

MEETING DATE: 05/28/2025

ITEM NO: 6

DATE: May 23, 2025

TO: Historic Preservation Committee

FROM: Joel Paulson, Community Development Director

SUBJECT: Consider a Request to Remove a Pre-1941 Property from the Historic

Resources Inventory for Property Zoned R-1:8. **Located at 16805 Loma Street**. APN 532-07-101. Exempt Pursuant to CEQA Section 15061(b)(3). Request for Review PHST-25-007. Property Owner: William Wundram.

Applicant: David Britt, Britt-Rowe. Project Planner: Sean Mullin.

RECOMMENDATION:

Consider a request to remove a pre-1941 property from the Historic Resources Inventory for property zoned R-1:8 located at 16805 Loma Street.

PROPERTY DETAILS:

- 1. Date primary structure was built: 1929 per County Assessor
- 2. Bloomfield Preliminary Rating: "+" historic and intact or worthy of special note
- 3. Does property have an LHP Overlay? No
- 4. Is structure in a historic district? No
- 5. If yes, is it a contributor? N/A
- 6. Findings required? Yes
- 7. Considerations required? No

DISCUSSION:

The applicant is requesting approval to remove the pre-1941 residence from the Historic Resources Inventory. The Santa Clara County Assessor's Database lists a construction date of 1929. The 1990 Anne Bloomfield Survey estimates the construction date as 1920s and provides a preliminary rating of "historic and intact or worthy of special note" (Attachment 1). The property is not within the coverage of the Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps.

PREPARED BY: Sean Mullin, AICP

Planning Manager

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The subject property was annexed into the Town in the late 1990s and a review of Town records yielded no Town permit history.

The applicant provided an informational packet with their application, which includes a letter requesting removal of the residence from the inventory, historic research for the property, an architectural assessment of the residence, and a structural assessment and photos of the residence (Attachments 1 through 5). The applicant's letter indicates that, based on their research and experience, the findings for removal from the Historic Resources Inventory can be made, noting that the residence is not associated with events important to the Town, not associated with significant persons, not representative of work of a master, does not yield information to the town's history, and its integrity has been compromised (Attachment 1).

In addition to the materials provided relative to the request to remove the residence from the Historic Resources Inventory, the applicant has also provided preliminary details related to potential redevelopment of the property, including a Letter of Justification, project data, evaluation of the surrounding residences, How to Read Your Neighborhood Workbook, summary of neighborhood outreach efforts, and preliminary plans for a new residence (Attachments 6 through 11). Staff notes that the request before the Committee is for removal of the residence from the Historic Resources Inventory. The preliminary details for redevelopment should not be used as justification with any recommendation on the request and is not the subject of this review.

CONCLUSION:

Should the Committee find that the findings for removal can be made, a recommendation of approval of the request to remove the property from the Historic Resources Inventory would be forwarded to the Community Development Director. Once approved by the Director, any proposed alterations or redevelopment of the property would not return to the Committee.

FINDINGS:

- A. Findings related to a request for a determination that a pre-1941 primary structure has no historic significance or architectural merit.
- In evaluating a request for a determination of historic significance or architectural merit, the Historic Preservation Committee shall consider the following:
 - The structure is not associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the Town;
 - 2. No Significant persons are associated with the site;
 - 3. There are no distinctive characteristics of type, period or method of construction or representation of work of a master;
 - 4. The structure does not yield information to Town history; or

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5. The integrity has been compromised such that the structure no longer has the potential to convey significance.

ATTACHMENTS:

- 1. Request Letter
- 2. Historic Research
- 3. Architectural Assessment
- 4. Structural Assessment
- 5. Structural Photos
- 6. Preliminary Letter of Justification for Redevelopment
- 7. Preliminary Project Data for Redevelopment
- 8. Evaluation of Surrounding Residences
- 9. How to Read Your Neighborhood Workbook
- 10. Summary of Neighbor Outreach Efforts for Redevelopment
- 11. Preliminary Plans for Redevelopment

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BRITT/ROWE

108 N. Santa Cruz Ave. Los Gatos, CA 95030

TO: Town of Los Gatos Historic Preservation Committee

FROM: David Britt; BRITT/ROWE

FOR: Justification of request for REMOVAL of existing structure from the Historic List of a single

family residence in the TOWN OF LOS GATOS.

Dear members of the Los Gatos Historic Preservation Committee Member:

This letter has been prepared by the applicant David Britt, for the request to remove the existing structure located at **16805 Loma Street, Los Gatos.** The property is not located within the town's historic overlay districts. This letter outlines the justification for removal based on the 5 criterias adopted by the Town of Los Gatos. To make the findings for removal, the house has been thoroughly reviewed by me based on 40 years of experience working in the Town of Los Gatos as a residential designer and an educational background of historic Bay Area architecture at both San Jose State University and University of California, Berkeley.

- 1. There is no evidence that structure is associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the Town. The property was annexed to the town in 1999 as part of the Ferris #6 Annexation.
- 2. There is no evidence significant persons are associated with the site.
- 3. There are no distinctive characteristics of the type, period or method of construction or representation of work of a master. To elaborate, the structure can be identified as a"Builder Bungalow" with a simple dutch-hipped roof in mass and scale, but without any identifiable architectural features to determine a specific subset of builder bungalows, i.e. Craftsman, Storybook, Chalet, or others.
- 4. The Structure does not yield any information to the town's history
- 5. The integrity has been compromised such that the structure has the potential to convey significance. If there were any details that could possibly distinguish that structure and to deem it architecturally significant (i.e, decorative eave brackets, trim moulds, leaded glass, windows with a specific mullion pattern(s), etc., they have since been removed. There was an addition in 1967 at the rear of the house adding a bedroom and laundry room that are not original, nor match the architectural style of the original structure. The property was also split in the early 70's to create 16801 Lo where the pre-1941 structure at 16801 Loma Street was removed to build a new structure in 2000.

For supporting reference material and evidence to the historic research, please refer to "Loma Historic Research v2." and "Loma Street Structural Photos".

Sincerely

David Britt, Britt/Rowe

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Location: 16805 Loma Street

Date: Between 3/212025 and 3/27/2025

Conducted By: William and Brenna Wundram (property owners)

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- 1. Los Gatos Public Library (POC Shawnte Santos and Jenn Laredo)
 - a. Sanborn Maps Reviewed the 1928 and 1944 Sanborn maps (see photos in Exhibit A).

FINDING: The location of 16805 Loma Street is outside of the scope of the two maps.

b. **1941 Tax Assessment Survey** – Reviewed the 1941 Tax Assessment Survey documentation.

FINDING: 16805 Loma Street was not listed in the tax assessment survey.

c. 1989 Anne Bloomfield Historic Resource Survey – The Anne Bloomfield survey for 16805 Loma Street was executed on April 5, 1990 (see Exhibit B in the Appendix) noting an estimated age of "1920s" and a "bungalow" style. Three other surveys were completed for properties on the same street at 16760, 16770 and 16791 Loma Street noting "bungalow" and "generic" style designations with two of those being active rentals. Ferris Ave doesn't have Anne Bloomfield surveys for 164XX addresses, only addresses starting with 166XX. Englewood also does not have corresponding Bloomfield surveys yet there were a series of pre 1941 houses on the street that have been demolished over the years.

Most properties on Loma Street didn't start to get annexed to the city until February 1st, 1999 as part of the Ferris #6 Annexation, (see Exhibit C in the Appendix) (which was over nine years after the survey was executed) and well into the 2000s. Santa Clara County permit activity ceases in 2015 for Loma Street and there was a bulk annexation in 2019. 16805 Loma Street was not in the purview of the City of Los Gatos Planning office at the time of the Bloomfield survey.

FINDING: Bloomfield survey found for 16805 Loma Street.

d. Polk's Directories 1924-1974.

The first match to an individual with a registered phone number was in 1962 to Hortenia Moreno for one year. The next registered phone number started in 1968 through 1974 to Albert Panighetti. The ancestory.com searches didn't provide any significant results (Albert Panighetti – born Mar 2^{nd} , 1904 - died Mar 1991 – WW2 veteran).

Per the listing realtor, Kurt E. and Arlyn M. Wilson family owned it for the past forty years and rented it out for the past twenty-five years.

FINDING: No significant findings of previous residents.

e. A list of the **Museums of Los Gatos Historic Homes Tours** and programs.

FINDING: No houses on Loma Street were on the home tours.

f. A list of the **100 Bellringers** and information.

FINDING: No match from the binder or supplemental.

g. Reviewed As It Was by Dora Rankin.

FINDING: No match found.

h. Reviewed the Los Gatos Historic Resources Inventory - Jun 1991.

FINDING: No match found.

i. Reviewed the Historic Property Research folders.

FINDING: No match found.

 Reviewed <u>History of Los Gatos</u> by George Bruntz and <u>Los Gatos Observed</u> by Alistair Dallas.

FINDING: No Loma Street houses listed.

k. Reviewed Information in the Residence drawers of the Vertical file.

FINDING: Box 6 Folders 1-8. No Loma Street residences in the vertical files.

l. Reviewed **The Patrons' inquiries**, binder #3 residences.

FINDING: No listing for Loma Street houses.

m. Reviewed A Field Guide to American Houses by Virginia Savage McAlester.

FINDING: No match found.

- 2. Santa Clara County Resources
 - a. Santa Clara County Planning Office

FINDING: Found three permits. 1. "remodel/addition" permit from 1967 number: 1967-7094-00 (Exhibit D), 2. "repair roof" from 1967 number: 1967-7410-00 and 3. "re-roof" permit from 1990 number: 1990-840-00 by the owner Albert Panighetti. See supporting structural pictures (separate document) noting the addition of the rear bedroom and laundry room.

b. Santa Clara County Tax Assessor (see Exhibit E from 1966)

FINDING: One property was found which was listed under 16801, which is currently the next-door neighbor's address now. The original property had a garage that could have been on the current neighbor's property. The split of 16801 to create 16801 and 16805 was Nov 12th, 1971, and the old APN was 532-07-008.

c. San Jose Public Library (California Room)

FINDING: Researched aerial photography from the period and added the best photo I could from 1948 (Exhibit F) noting other structures on Loma Street.

- 3. Los Gatos Community Development Department Resources
 - a. Permit and Planning Documents (Laserfiche)

FINDING: No Planning or Building department results found for 16805 Loma Street. I did find three demolition requests for pre-1941 houses on Loma Street.

- **1.** 16801 Loma Street Exhibit G April 1, 1999 (next door)
- 2. 16761 Loma Street Exhibit H Nov 18, 1998 (same side of the street)
- 3. 16810 Loma Street Exhibit I July 7, 2004 (directly across the street)

APPENDIX

Exhibit A - Sanborn Maps 1944

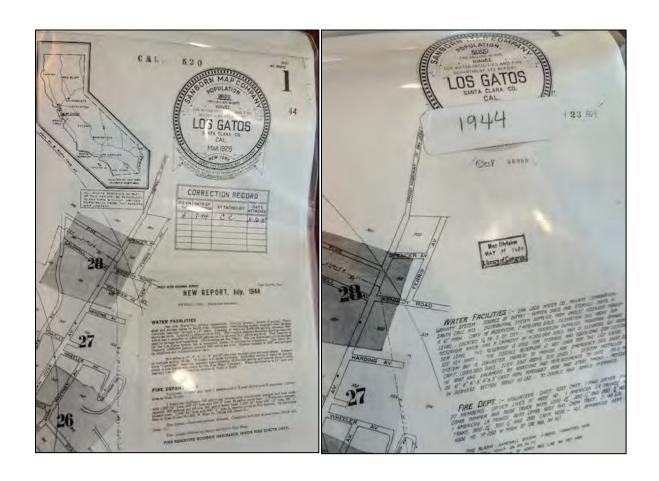


Exhibit B - 16805 Loma Street - Anne Bloomfield Survey

Anne Bloomfield

ARCHITECTURAL HISTOR (415) 922-106: 2229 WEBSTER STREE' SAN FRANCISCO, CA 9411!

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JOINT REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY
February 1, 1999/Minutes

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Motion by Mr. Blanton, seconded by Mr. Attaway, that Council adopt Resolution 1999-13 entitled, RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF LOS GATOS ORDERING THE REORGANIZATION OF CERTAIN INHABITED TERRITORY DESIGNATED AS FERRIS AVENUE #6 TO THE TOWN OF LOS GATOS. Carried unanimously.

TOWN OF LOS GATOS
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JOINT REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY
January 19, 1999/Minutes

FERRIS AVENUE #6/ANNEXATION/SET DATE TO ADOPT RESOLUTION (14.09)

Mayor Hutchins stated that this was the time and place duly noted for public hearing to consider protests initiating proceeding for the reorganization of certain inhabited territory designated as Ferris Avenue #6 to the Town of Los Gatos.

Assistant Planning Director, Bud Lortz, asked specifically if there was anyone in the audience to file protests to this action, as this was the last opportunity to do so.

There was no one from the audience to address the Council.

Motion by Mr. Blanton, seconded by Mr. Attaway, to close the public hearing. Carried unanimously.

Council Consensus to set Monday, February 1, 1999 as the date to adopt a resolution making a finding of the value of protests filed and not withdrawn. Carried unanimously.

NOTICE OF HEARING

CONCERNING THE ANNEXATION OF TERRITORY TO THE

TOWN OF LOS GATOS KNOWN AS

FERRIS AVENUE NO. 6

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN by the Town Clerk of the Town of Los Gatos that:

- At its meeting of November 2, 1998, the Town Council adopted Resolution 1998-181, initiating 1. proceedings for the annexation of the subject territory.
- 2. A map of the territory to be annexed.
- The reason for the proposed annexation is to properly plan and provide municipal services to an area 3. that is contiguous to and surrounded by the Town.
- The hearing will be held on MONDAY, DECEMBER 7, 1998 AT 7:30 P.M. in the Council Chambers, 4. Civic Center, 110 East Main Street, Los Gatos, CA 95030.
- Any owner of land within the territory may file a written protest against the proposed annexation with 5. the Town Clerk of the Town of Los Gatos at any time prior to the conclusion of the hearing on the proposed annexation by the Town Council. Protests filed before the close of the hearing on December 7, 1998 will be evaluated by the criteria set forth in Government Code Sections 57051, 57052, and sections referred to therein.
- 6. The documents concerning this annexation may be viewed during normal business hours in the Office of the Town Clerk of the Town of Los Gatos, 110 East Main Street, Los Gatos, CA 95032.

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Exhibit D – 1967 Permit for an Addition / Remodel

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Exhibit E – County Tax Assessor Property Record

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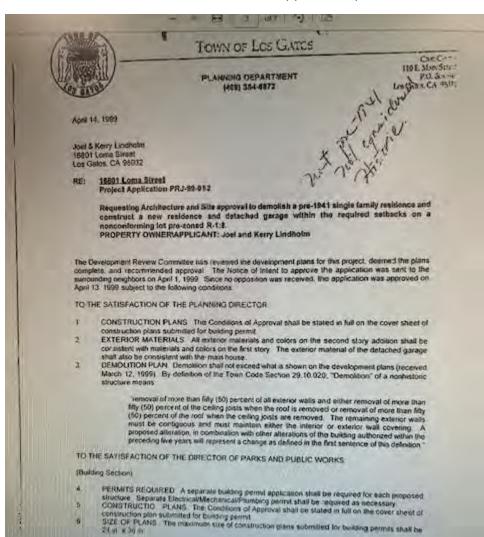
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Exhibit F – 1948 Map showing a series of houses on Loma Street



Exhibit G - 16801 Pre-1941 Demo Approval - April 1, 1999





TOWN OF LOS GATOS



TOWN OF LOS GATOS PLANNING DEPARTMENT

April 1, 1999

NOTICE OF INTENT TO APPROVE

The Los Gatos Planning Department has received an application from Joel & Kerry Lindholm to demotish a pre-1941 single family residence and construct a new residence and detached garage within the required selbacks on a noncol usuing lot at 16801 Lorna Street (PRJ-99-012, Assessor Parcet Number 532-07-100). It is the intent of the Town to approve this proposal.

The plans are available for public review in the Town Planning Department from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday (except for holidays). Any comments in opposition to this proposal must be received by this office in writing by 5:00 p.m. on Triursday, April 11, 1999.

If you have any questions concerning this matter please contact Gary Chao, Planning Yechnician at (408)399-5746.

Very truly yours.

Lee E. Bowman Planning Director

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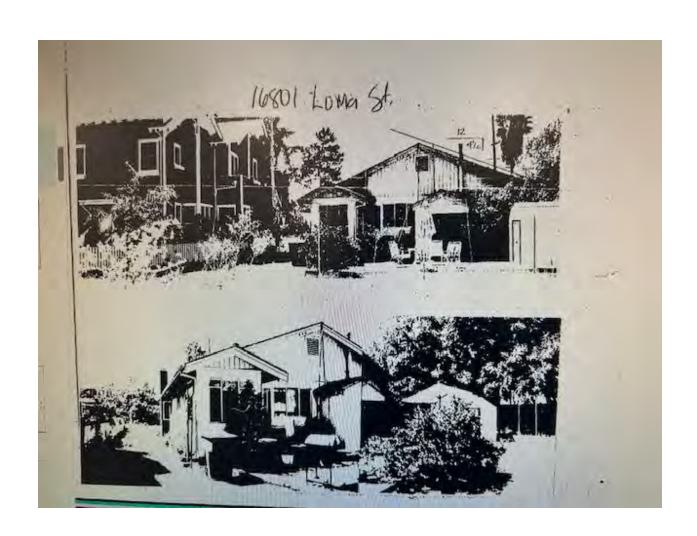




Exhibit H - 16761 Pre-1941 Demo Approval - Nov 18, 1998

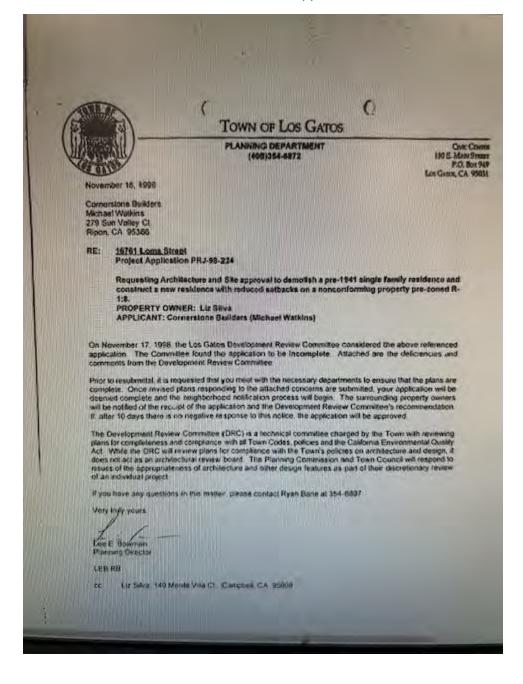


Exhibit I - 16810 Pre-1941 Demo Approval - July 7, 2004

ITEM 4: 16810 LOMA STREET

The Committee considered a request to demolish a pre-1941 single family residence. Pacheco moved to recommend approval of the demolition to the Development Review Committee. The basis for the recommendation is that:

- 1. The original structure was not a house.
- There have been several nonhistoric additions.
- 3. The structure has no architectural significance.
- 4. The structure has no character defining features.
- 5. There is no historic integrity left in the original structure.

Drexel seconded, motion passed unanimously.

ITEM 5: 221 ALEXANDER AVENUE

The Committee considered a request to demolish a pre-1941 single family residence and maintain the historic front elevation to construct a new single family residence. The Committee expressed concern over the demolition of the house. The applicant decided to modify their plans to save the house. The matter was continued to a special meeting to look at the redesign.

ITEM 6: 16471 ENGLEWOOD AVENUE

The Committee considered a request to demolish a pre-1941 single family residence. Pacheco moved to recommend approval of the application to the Development Review Committee. The basis for the recommendation is that:

- 1. The house has no historic significance.
- 2. The house has no character defining features.
- The original structure has been destroyed by unsympathetic additions.
- 4. The house is in a deteriorated condition.

Drexel seconded, motion passed unanimously.

ITEM 7: 104 LOMA ALTA AVENUE

The Committee considered a request to demolish a pre-1941 single family residence. Drexel moved to

Britt/Rowe

108 N. Santa Cruz Ave. Los Gatos, CA 95030

MAY 7, 2025

TO:

Los Gatos Historic Preservation Committee

FROM:

David Britt, BRITT/ROWE

RE:

16805 Loma Street, Los Gatos

Dear Committee members,

Thank you for your consideration of removing the existing single family structure located at 16805 Loma St. As the applicant and design professional hired by the property owner, I have been tasked to analyze the potential historic significance of this building relating to the existing architectural design. After studying the building, here are my findings.

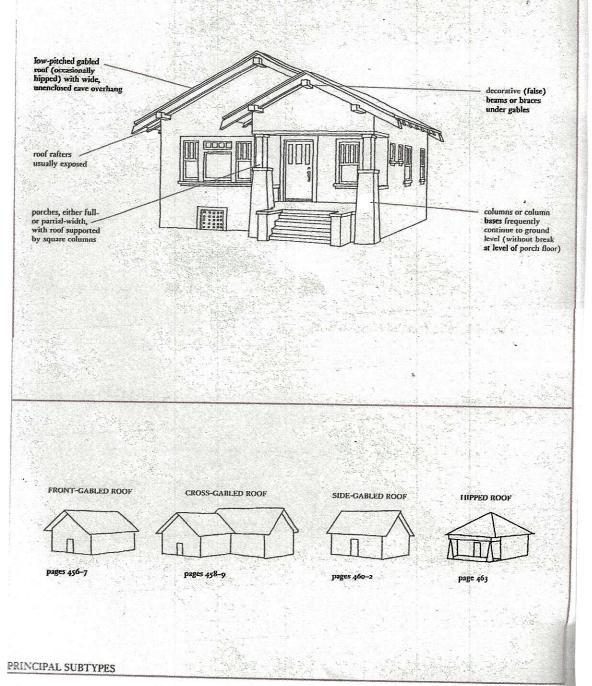
The building can be classified as a "side gabled roof bungalow", popular in the era it was constructed. As to further classification as to a subset of this style, there are no distinguishing features that I can identify. This is most likely because any identifiable architectural features such as decorative trim, stylized columns, and window mullion patterns are assumed to have been removed from the structure many years ago. In my research I attempted to determine a style, if any through printed and online research outlined below:

- 1. Printed: "A field Guide to American Houses" Page 452 photocopy attached.
- 2. Online: "Guide to Bungalow Varieties" photocopy of webpage attached.

Working in the town as a residential design professional, it has alway been my pleasure to work on projects in the historic inventory, and have completed several remodel/additions to many. A project of BRITT/ROWE's located at 184 Villa Ave. is a good example. Unfortunately because of the lack of architectural significance of the existing structure at 16805 Loma Street, I find it difficult to present a remodel/addition where I would have to speculate "what it might have been".

Lastly, thank you for your commitment to preserving the unique built environment that makes the town of Los Gatos the envy of Santa Clara Valley.

wid Britt, BRITT/ROWE



Page 452 "Afield guide to American Houses"



THE **BUNGALOW VARIETIES**

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This Page Intentionally Left Blank Bill Wundram 16805 Loma St. Los Gatos, Ca. 95032

Re: Existing Structural Conditions

Dear Bill,

Per your request, I have reviewed the structural conditions of the existing one story residential structure at 16805 Loma St. in Los Gatos, Ca. The following is a summary of what was observed.

- 1. Roof Framing: The existing roof framing consists of 2x4 rafters at 24 inches on center and a 1x ridge full length front to rear down the middle. The existing rafters are over spanned without any purlins or bracing throughout. In addition, the existing 1x ridge is also unbraced. The existing roof system should be replaced completely using upgraded 2x6 rafters, braced purlins, and a new 2x8 ridge braced at 4 feet on center throughout it's length.
- 2. Wall Framing: The existing wall framing consists of 2x4 studs covered with horizontal siding at the exterior and 1/4 inch sheetrock at the interior. Unfortunately, the entire structure has no insulation, and knob and tube wiring throughout. The only lateral bracing currently is the existing sheetrock. The horizontal siding does not provide any lateral capability. Replacing the knob and tube wiring as well as adding insulation would require the removal of the sheetrock throughout. Since sheetrock bracing is no longer allowed in this seismic zone, removing the existing sheetrock would then trigger new lateral bracing. The entire structure would have to be redesigned for lateral loads and new lateral bracing would need to be provided throughout.
- 3. Floor Framing: Like the roof framing, the existing floor framing is over spanned and not adequately supported. The existing floor was out of level and shims were added in an attempt to re-level the framing. Shims were found between the floor joists and the girders, between the girders and their support posts, between the girders and the mudsill, and between the mudsill and the foundation. In addition, the mudsill is not connected to the foundation with anchor bolts. Despite all the shims, the floor continues to be out of level and would need to be re-leveled. The entire floor system should be replaced, properly re-leveled, and the new mudsill should be anchor bolted to the foundation.
- 4. Foundation: While the exiting foundation was not observed to be badly damaged, there were several cracks and signs of efflorescence in a number of places. These are signs of excess water at the foundation that will eventually cause

the foundation to deteriorate and lose strength. In addition, the uneven floors discussed in item 3 above is probably due to the water at the foundation causing differential settlement and cracks in the foundation. At a minimum, drainage should be provided to remove the water from near the foundation to help stabilize the foundation. This may require additional retrofit to the foundation if correcting the drainage is not enough. Any attempt to re-level the floor should only be done only after the foundation has been stabilized. It is entirely possible that a new deeper foundation may be required to eliminate this problem.

Given the numerous problems with the existing structure at every level, it would not be economical to repair the existing structure. Therefore, it is my recommendation the existing structure be demolished and replaced with a new structure that addresses all the concerns listed above. As always, this review is strictly limited to the structural items listed above. Please feel free to contact me if there are any further questions.

Sincerely

Charles Williams

Registered Civil Engineer

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04/03/2025

Subj: Structural and Condition Photos

Location: 16805 Loma Street

Date: 3/25/2025

Conducted By: William and Brenna Wundram (property owners)

16805 Loma Street Structural Photos

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 - h. Gas meter location (under window)

1. Foundation

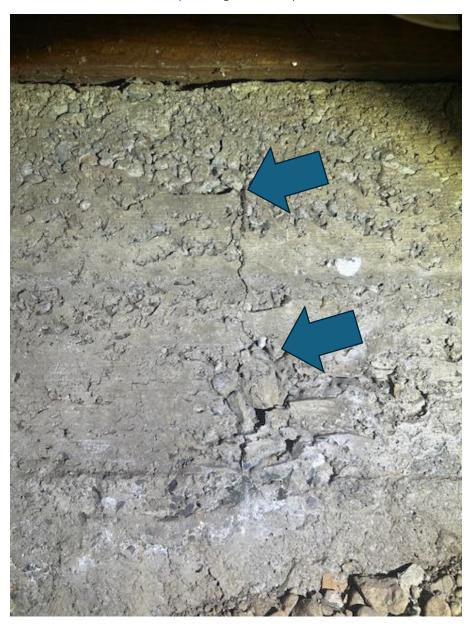
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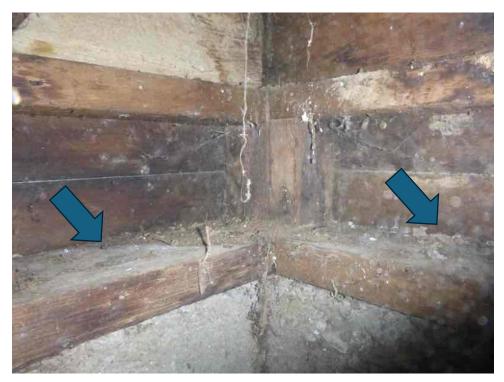




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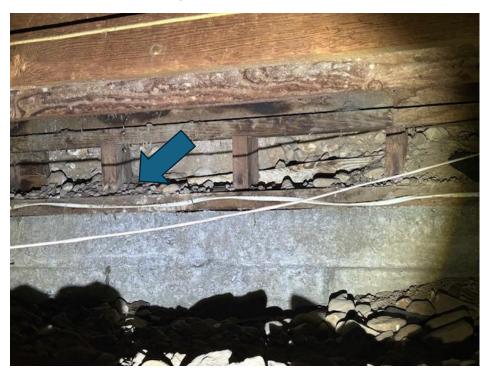


1C. No anchor bolts (Note: this signifies a high probably of no rebar in the foundation walls)



2. Crawlspace Framing

2A. Cripple wall framing on the foundation wall



2B. Shimmed floor joists and mud sill







2C. Cracked 2x6 floor joists. Some spans are up to 9 feet.



2D. Post framing against dirt.





2E. Subfloor damage



3. Attic Framing

3A. 1x6 ridge beams



3B. No purlins (just vertical 1x6s)



4A. Rear Addition – Attic view from rear bedroom access).

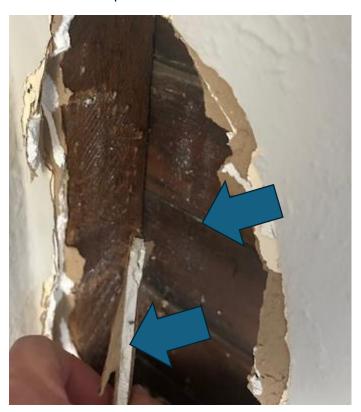


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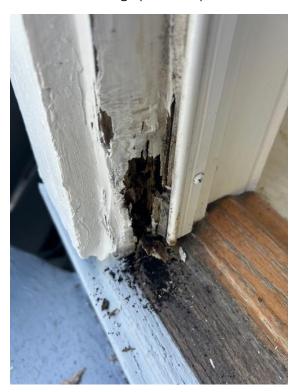




5A-C. No shear walls or exterior plywood sheathing (1X4 siding shown). No insulation and $\frac{1}{4}$ drywall installed in multiple rooms.



5D. Termite damage (rear door)



5E. Single pane windows (not original)



5F. Knob and tube wiring



5G. Electrical Panel (unknown amps) with cloth wrapped wiring



5G. Gas meter location under window (Not allowed)



BRITT/ROWE

108 N. Santa Cruz Ave. Los Gatos, CA 95030

TO: Town of Los Gatos Planning Staff **FROM:** David Britt; BRITT/ROWE

FOR: Justification of request to construct a new single family residence in the TOWN OF LOS GATOS.

Dear Town of Los Gatos Planning Staff;

This letter has been prepared by the applicant David Britt, for the request to construct a new two-story single family residence located at **16805 Loma Street**, This letter outlines the justification for construction. To make the findings for DRC application approval, the residence has been designed within criteria set forth by the town for all new residential construction as outlined in the "Design Review Guidelines" and other mitigating measures with respect to neighborhood compatibility and preservation.

- 1. The residence is designed within the allowed development standards of R1-8 residential zone.
- 2. The house has been designed to be compatible with the neighborhood by in that it is similar to FAR, height, proposed setbacks, height, and mass scale similar to many in the neighborhood consistent with the town Design Review Gj\uiview guideline as outlined in section 3.3.2
- 3. One story mass elements have been included in the sign to mitigate two-story mass consistent in guidelines as outlined in section 3:10.1
- 4. Proposed exterior finishes have been specified to be high quality and are consistent with the proposed architectural style and to compliment the neighborhood guidelines 3.3.1 and 3.3.2.
- 5. Propose window and door material have been specified to match the surrounding neigborhood per as outlined in section 3.4.1

In addition to items found in the Design Review Guidelines, other design elements have been incorporated to mitigate the impact of a new two-story residence:

- 1. Second floor windows facing side property lines have high sills.
- 2. Second floor setbacks are significantly increased from minimum allowable.

Thank you planning staff for your assistance with our application.

Sincerely

David Britt, Britt/Rowe

Project Information

Scope of Work: Demolition of existing pre-1941 one-story single-family residence with no garage, and construction of new two-story single family residence.

Property Owner: William Wundram

18605 Loma Street Los Gatos, CA 95032

Project location: 18605 Loma Street

Los Gatos, CA95032

APN: 532-07-101

Zoning: R1-8 **Lot Area:** 7,461

Avg Lot Slope: less than 2% (flat)

FAR	Existing	Proposed	Allowed
Main Dwelling:	861 (.11)	2,454 (.32)	2,462 (.33)
Garage:	(0.)	483 (.06)	671 (.09)

Setbacks	Existing	Proposed	Allowed	
Front:	17'-5"	25'-0"	25'-0"	
Rear:	33'-6"	20'-0"	20'-0"	
Sides (left/right)	38'-7"/9'-3'	' 8'-0''/8'-	0" 8'-0"/8'	-0"

Lot Coverage:	Existing	Proposed	Allowed
First Floor/Porches/Garage	905 (12%)	2,326 (31%)	(40%)

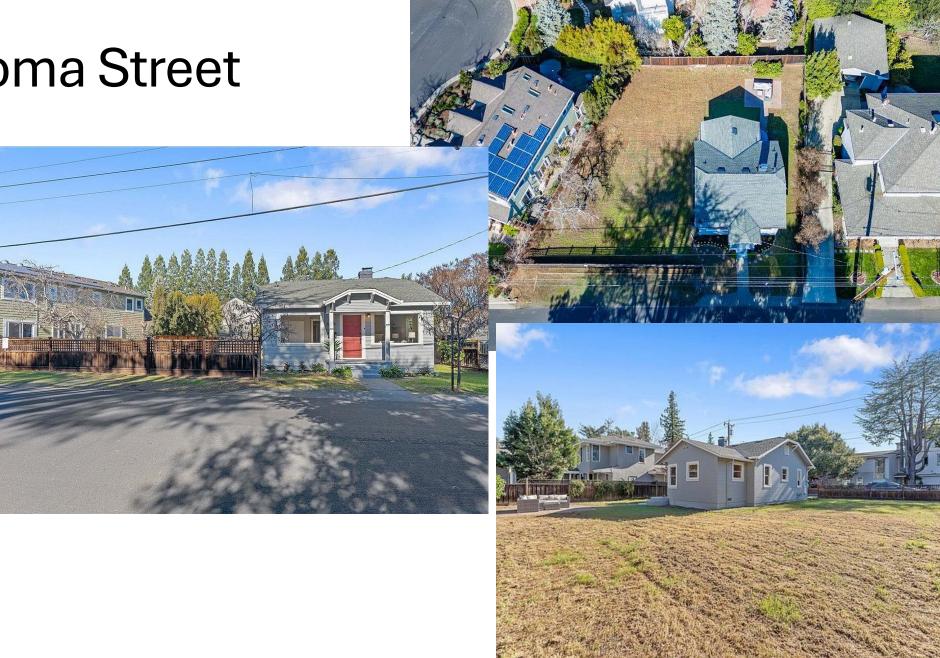
Building Height:	Existing	Proposed	Allowed
Measured from exist. grade)	14'	27'	30'

16805 Loma Street and Surrounding Houses

Los Gatos

16805 Loma Street

16805 Loma St 862 sqft 7,460 lot Single story **Year 1929**



Rear View

16456 Ferris St 2,750 sqft 15,137 lot Two story Year 1995

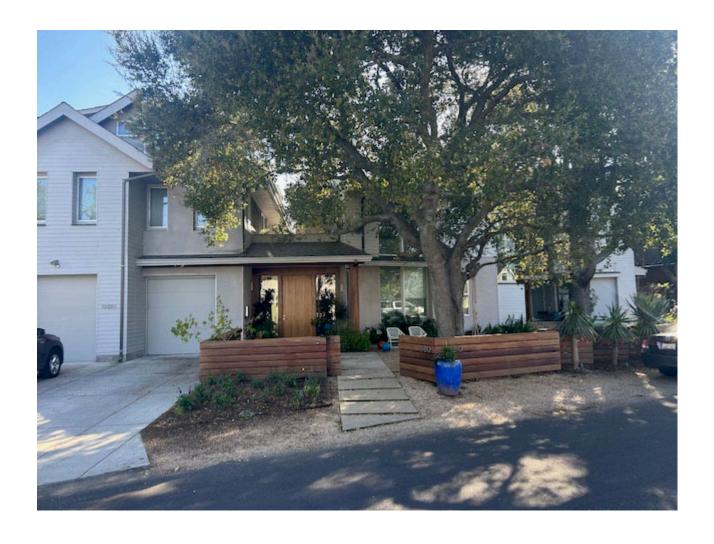


From 16805 Loma Rear Yard

Front View

16800/10 Loma St 4,400 sqft 10,812 lot Two story Year 2010

Was a Pre 1941 House and was approved for demolition



Front (from Street) – directly across

Front Right View

16490 Ferris Ave 2,505 sqft 9,800 lot Two story Year 1999

Was a Pre 1941 House and was approved for major renovation and second story



Front (from Street) – directly across

Right View

16801 Loma St 2,472 sqft 7,578 lot Two story Year 2000

Was a Pre 1941 House and was approved for demolition



From 16805 Loma Yard

From 16805 Loma Yard

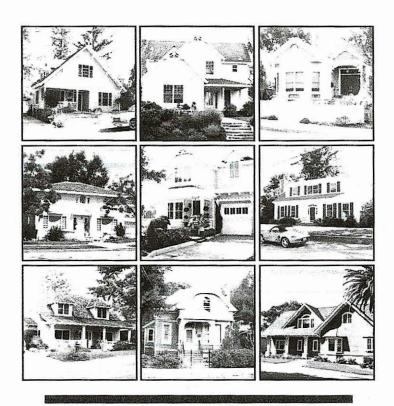
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16460 Ferris St 2,368 sqft 5,880 lot Two story Year Unknown

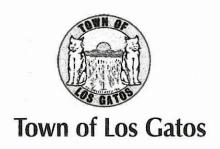


16460 Ferris St Front (from Street)

How to Read Your Neighborhood



A guide to assist in understanding a neighborhood's design context



INTRODUCTION

Town of Los Gatos Character

Los Gatos is a community of homes with a wide variety of residential styles and unique neighborhoods. Small bungalows of the Nineteenth Century share street frontages with newer and larger house. While some of the Town's neighborhoods, such as the Mid-Twentieth Century subdivisions with Ranch Style houses, have a relative homogeneity, others have developed over a longer period of time and contain a great deal of diversity.

However, amid all of the various styles and diversity, the Town's individual residential neighborhoods do have a great deal of visual unity as a result of a respect for one's neighbors and a recognition that the quality of Los Gatos neighborhoods benefits greatly from efforts to enhance and reinforce the positive features of the neighborhoods that have grown over a period of many years.

Community Expectations

Los Gatos will continue to change and evolve over many decades to come. A diversity of architectural styles throughout the community will continue to be expected and valued.

Residents of the community wish to see the many positive qualities of the Town's neighborhoods preserved and enhanced, while recognizing that the needs of families and the nature of a home's living space will continue to change with time. It is the community's expectation that these changes will occur within a context of sensitivity and respect for the surrounding neighborhhod and those qualities that have made Los Gatos unique in the Bay Area.

Purpose of this workbook

In evaluating applications for new residential construction, additions and renovations, neighborhood compatibility will be given the highest consideration. This workbook is intended to assist property owners and their design professionals in focusing attention on the immediate neighborhood around their parcels. While a broader neighborhood context may be appropriate in some situations, a new residential project will likely have its greatest impact on the existing homes nearby. Sensitivity to the pattern, size and scale of this context will assist in integrating new projects into their individual neighborhoods. And, the use of some of the architectural and landscape vocabulary drawn from the neighborhood can enhance the visual unity of the neighborhood.

This workbook focuses on the major elements that seem to most frequently serve to either unify residential neighborhoods or make an individual house uncomfortably stand out from its neighbors.

How to use this workbook

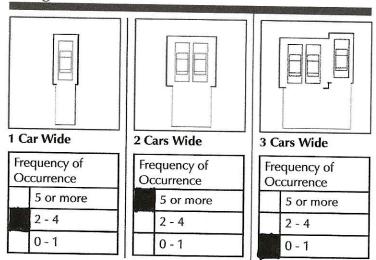
The workbook is set up to allow a quick inventory of conditions in the area closest to the subject parcel - those that are most likely to be seen in the same context. A small map on each page shows a typical site condition with numbers assigned to nearby parcels. Observing the conditions that occur on each of the properties will assist in completing a summary at the end of the workbook which notes the major features that predominate in the immediate neighborhood.

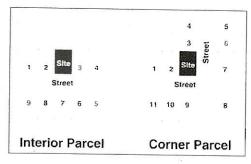
As you look at the specific conditions outlined in this workbook, also take time to observe the many other features that add diversity and visual richness to the neighborhood. A few of these are noted in the sidebar to the right.

Additional Elements to Observe

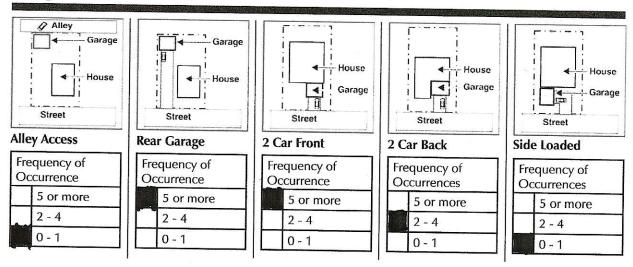
- Height of the first floor above grade
- Eave heights compared to adjacent homes
- Side yard separations between parcels
- · Attic vents and other details
- Decorative lights
- Entry paths to entries
- Window patterns (formal vs. informal)
- Special trim between floors
- Special wall trim at roof overhangs
- Bay window tops and bottoms
- Second floor decks and balconies
- Chimney tops
- Roof vents
- Skylights
- Special decorative porch details
- Foundation walls at elevated first floors
- Base and trim colors
- Special paving materials and patterns
- Brick or stone patterns
- Trellises and lattices

Garage Doors

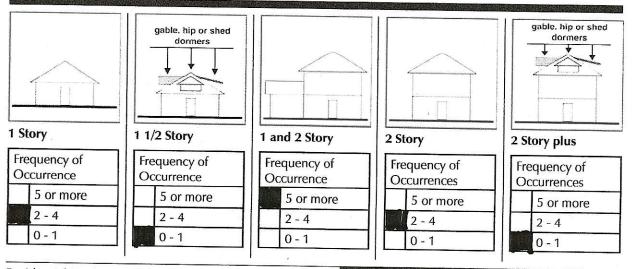




Garage Location on the site



Building Heights



Craftsman Bungalow



Fre	equency of Occurrence
	5 or more
	2 - 4
	0 - 1

Spanish / Mission Revival



Fre	equency of Occurrence
	5 or more
	2 - 4
	0 - 1

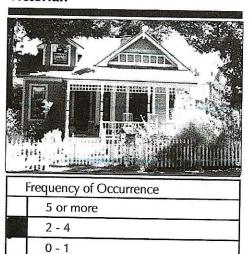
Colonial/Greek Revival



Fr	equency of Occurrence
	5 or more
	2 - 4
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1 2 Site 3 4 1 2 Site 7 7 Street 9 8 7 6 5 11 10 9 8 Interior Parcel Corner Parcel

Victorian



Italianate



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European Romantic



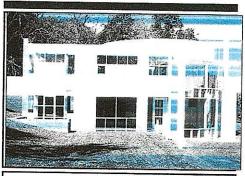
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Ranch



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Modern



F	requency of Occurrence
	5 or more
	2 - 4
	0 - 1

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Builder Contemporary



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Other Historic Style

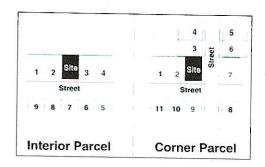
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Other Non-Historic Style

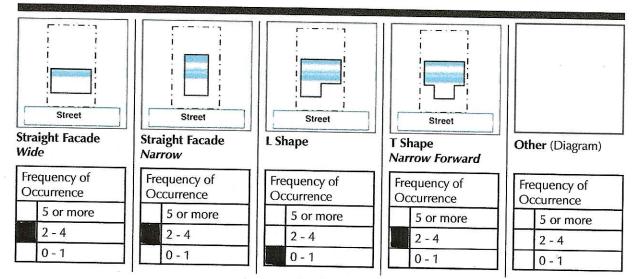
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Building Height on Adjacent Parcels

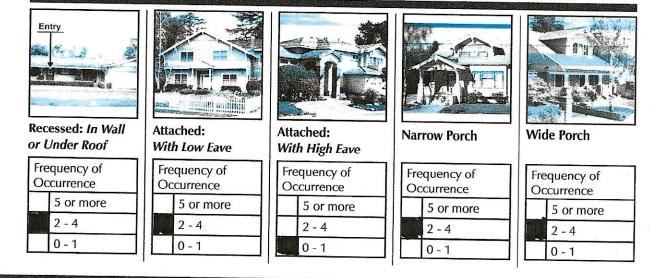
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1 Story	1 Story
1 1/2 Story	1 1/2 Story
2 Story	2 Story
1 and 2 Story	1 and 2 Story
2 Story Plus	2 Story Plus

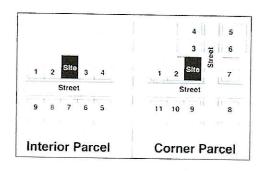


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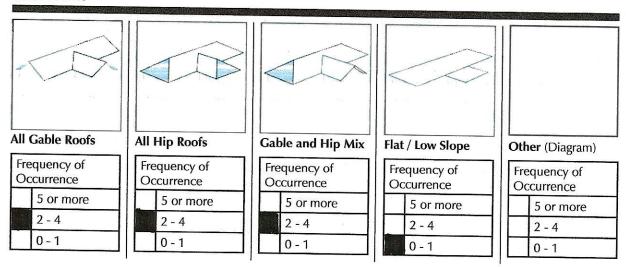


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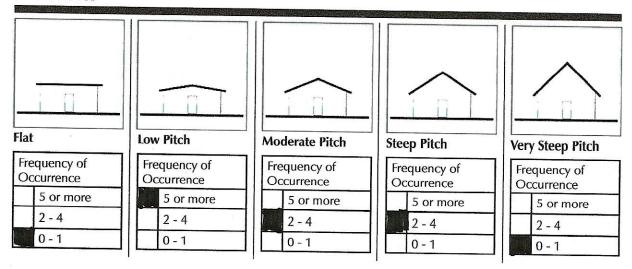




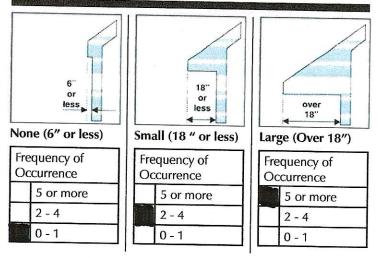
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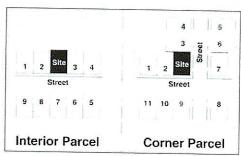


Roof Pitches

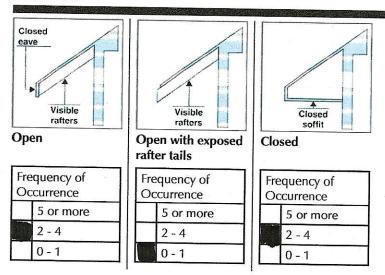


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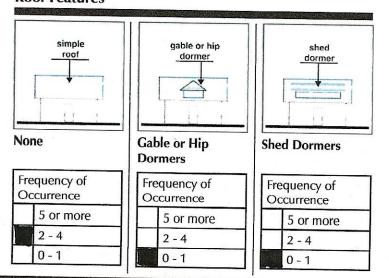




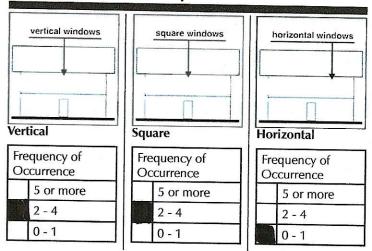
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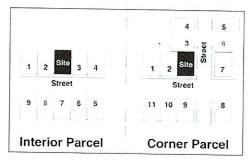


Roof Features

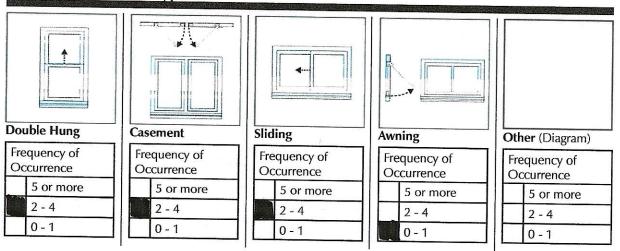


Predominant Window Proportions

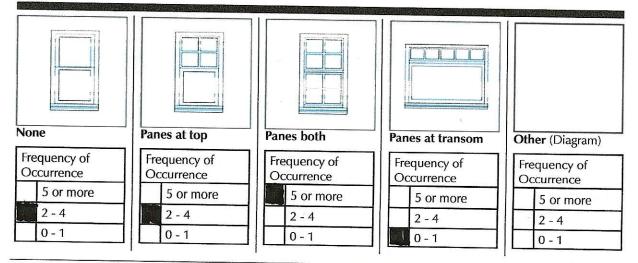




Predominant Window Type

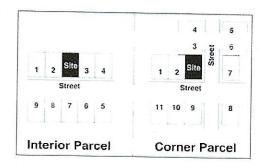


Window Divisions

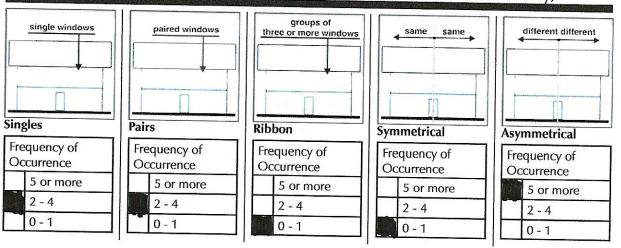


Window Material

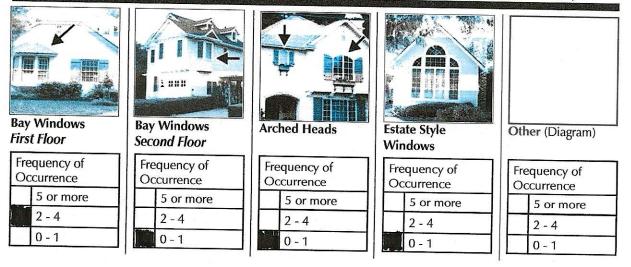
Wood or looks like wood	Metal
Frequency of Occurrence	Frequency of Occurrence
5 or more	5 or more
2 - 4	2 - 4
0 - 1	0 - 1

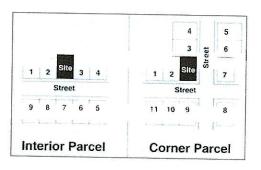


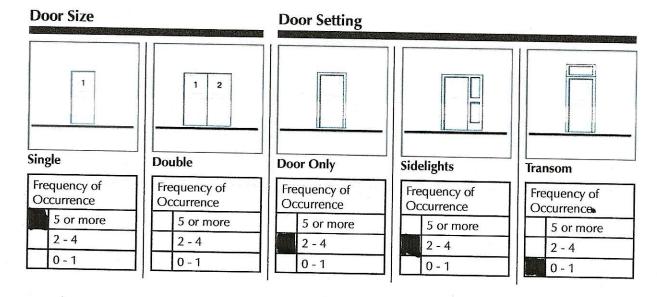
Window Groupings (Check those that are the most common on the houses nearby)



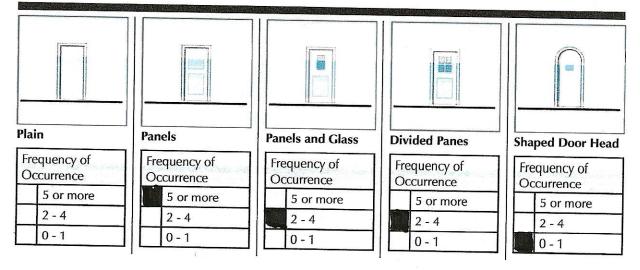
Special Window Shapes (Check all boxes that are common on an individual house)





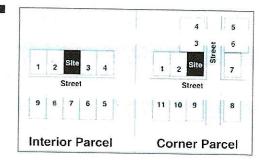


Door Details



Accent Materials in the neighborhood

	Stone Wall Bases	
	Brick Wall Bases	
	Stone Chimneys	
	Brick Chimneys	****
- Seed	Other	



Primary Wall Materials



Wood Siding

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Shingles

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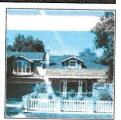
Stucco

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Brick or Stone

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Mix of Materials

	· o. materials
Fre	equency of
	ccurrence
	5 or more
	2 - 4
	0 - 1

Roof Materials



Composition Shingles

	equency of
O	ccurrence
	5 or more
	2 - 4
	0 - 1



Wood Shakes

	equency of ccurrence
Γ	5 or more
,	2 - 4
	0 - 1



Tile or Concrete Flat

equency of ccurrence
5 or more
2 - 4
0 - 1



Tile or Concrete Arched

equency of ecurrence
5 or more
2 - 4
0-1



Metal

equency of ccurrence
5 or more
2 - 4
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Front Yard Fence

Front Yard Entr Arbor
Frequency of

The same	
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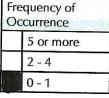
Trellises

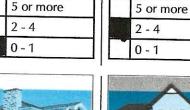
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Occurrence

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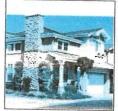
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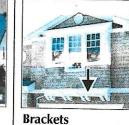


Stone or Brick Base

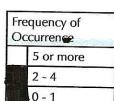


Stone or brick

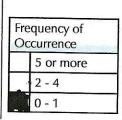




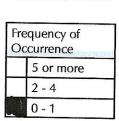




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Frequency of Occurrence 5 or more 2 - 4 0 - 1





Shaped or Detailed Entry Columns

Fre	equency of
O	ccurrence
	5 or more
	2 - 4
	0 - 1



Column Caps and

Fre	equency of	
	currence	
	5 or more	
	2 - 4	
	0 - 1	



Detailed Columns and Railings

equency of ccurrence	
5 or more	
2 - 4	
0 - 1	



Half Timber Beams

equency of ccurrence	
5 or more	
2 - 4	
0 - 1	



Towers / Turrets

	equency of ccurrence	- 71
5	5 or more	
	2-4	
	0 - 1	

Other Distinctive Features in the Immediate Neighborhood (Within the parcels above) and the Broader Neighborhood (Within 1 block)

Subj: Neighboring property owner notification

Location: 16805 Loma Street

Date: Between 4/13/2025 and 4/22/2025

Conducted By: William and Brenna Wundram (property owners)

Dear Los Gatos Planning Department,

Brenna and I visited each of the following neighbors regarding our interest building the proposed house designed by David Britt. We provided each family a three-page packet that is included in our proposal (A0, A1 and A2) noting the placement of the structure on the lot, floor plans and elevations.

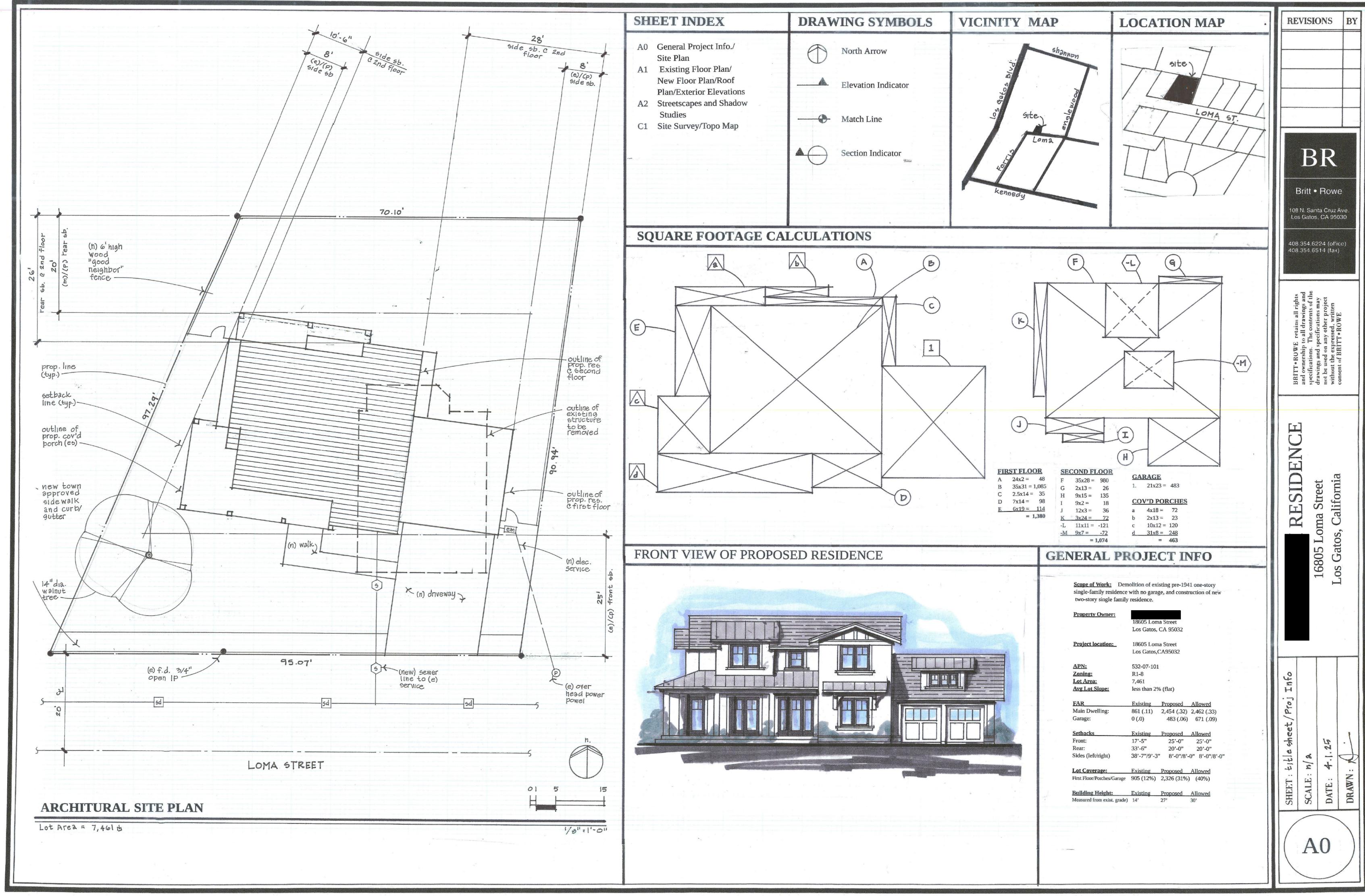
Address	Location	Names	Date
16801 Loma Street	Right of Property	Kerry and Joel Lindholm	4/13/25
16460 Ferris Ave	Left of Property	Catherine and Gary	4/13/25
		Pasternak	
16456 Ferris Ave	Rear of Property	Vicky and Bob Francone	4/18/25
16790 Loma Street	Across the Street -	Catherine Ambrozewicz	4/18/25
	Left	and Stephan Tremblay	
16810 Loma Street	Across the Street –	Pavni Diwanji	4/13/25
	Center		
16490 Ferris Ave	Across the Street -	Kris and Mark Rapazzini	4/22/25
	Right		

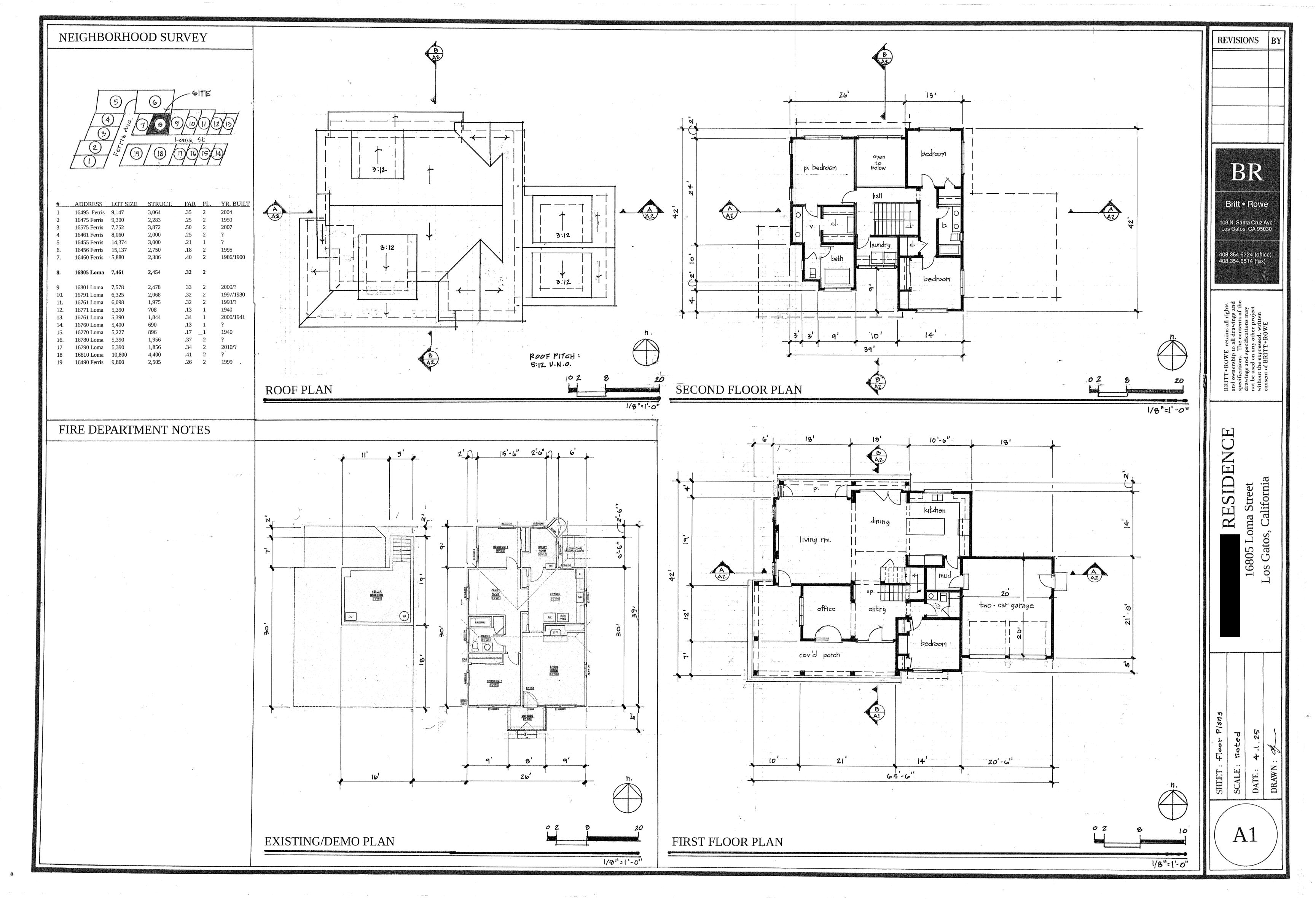
All neighbors were receptive of our intended plans, thought the design was fitting for the neighborhood and appreciated our outreach. The Pasternaks (16460 Ferris Ave) were interested in discussing potential landscape screening options between the two properties at a later stage.

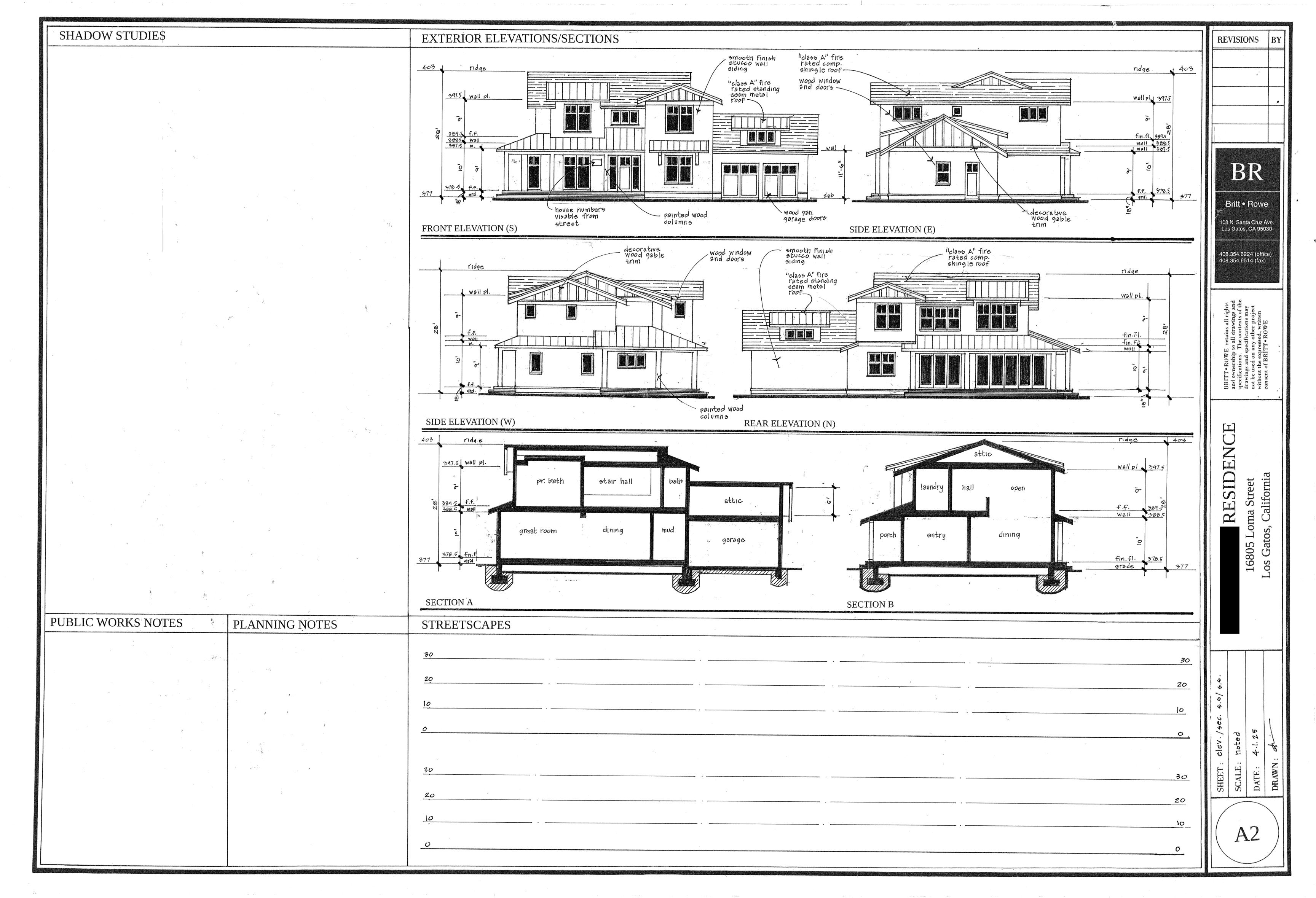
Please let me know if you have any further questions. I can be reached at (408) 421-5494 or by email at wundy76@hotmail.com.

Best regards,

William Wundram





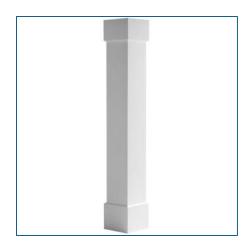


Material Board - 16805 Loma Street - Los Gatos



Garage Door Color

Trim Color – BM Beigewood



Column Design



Front Bracket Design