

June 5, 2023

Letter to Town of Los Gatos

Re: Neighborhood Outreach for 473 Wraight Ave, Los Gatos

When I received comments from the Town of Los Gatos on my preliminary plans, I decided to reach out to my neighbors and discuss my plans with them. I have door knocked all the homes surrounding my home at 473 Wraight Ave, Los Gatos; two homes to my left, two homes to my right, two home to the front and two homes to be the back. I have door knocked in mid-September early afternoon around 3pm and again a few days later around dinner time but to no avail. I decided to make another trip in October, only this time I came with a small goody bag. I have included a printed copy of my plan, a letter introducing myself and my kids and how excited we are to be a part of the neighborhood and to meet our neighbors, and my contact info should they have any questions or concerns with my plans. Since then, I have received two comments. My neighbor at [REDACTED], Renee and Adil, asked that I move the front bedroom side window towards the front of the house and shorten the height of the window above the master toilet. These requests were made to the updated plans to address Renee's and Adil's requests for privacy.

My neighbor at [REDACTED], Jim and Jenny, have concerned with privacy and winter sun. First, the house was designed to keep the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor far away from my northerly neighbor, Jim and Jenny, while still keeping a balanced front façade. The 2<sup>nd</sup> floor setback is 13'-3", where 5' is the minimum. Second, the house was designed such that there are no major windows looking out over the houses on either side. In addition, the windows overlooking my northerly neighbor, Jim and Jenny, have been made to obscure glasses, to increase their privacy further. Third, a screen wall (i.e. trellis) has been added to the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor balcony, to make sure no one can see into their windows. Finally, the fence on the northerly lot line will be a 6' solid fence with a 12" of lattice on top, 7' in height total, to better screen the home from one another. These changes addressed Public Comment #1 and #2. My back neighbor at 420 University Ave, asked if I could put up some trees, to protect the privacy of both homes, as they would be able to see into my upstairs and vice versa. My current plans addressed this by adding a screen planting across the back lot. This change addressed Public Comment #3.

I have not received any additional comments from other neighbors, but I have met and talked to a few of them briefly and they are very kind and friendly people. They have no comments on my plans and are excited to welcome us into the neighborhood.

Please give me a call or email if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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