## Response to Consulting Architect

Canon Design Group Letter dated 8/19/19

**Date:** December 4, 2019 **Project Applicant:** Josephine Chang

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## **Responses to Comments:**

- 1. I removed all non-driveway related concrete paving from Unit 1, 2, & 3's private yards. I replaced with 200sf decomposed granite patios and plants.
- 2. The units' fenced in yards (private open space) is labelled on A0-Site Plan and L1-Landscape Plan, and highlighted on pg. 2 of the Written Description of Proposed Project.
- 3. I broke up Lot 2's long elevation by reconfiguring the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor to lower bedroom 3's floor above the garage to create a double gable above the garage thereby shortening the portion of the roof where the front dormer is located.
- 4. I added brick chimneys to units 1 and 2. Unit 3 never had and does not have a chimney, which is why one was not added. If you look at the Consulting Architect's unit specific comments, you will see that he does not highlight the chimney for unit 3. Unit 3 has a fireplace, but it does not protrude beyond the building footprint like units 1 and 2.
- 5. I addressed this by reducing the occurrence of 2 story walls by redesigning all 3 units' second floors. The minimal locations where there are 2 story walls, I added windows centered on the gables.
- 6. I added a 3" radius to the exposed rafters and barge rafters on all 3 units. I added brick chimneys to units 1 and 2. I added brick walkways, brick surfaces to the covered porches, and brick lined concrete driveways to all 3 units. All brick to be color: Sacramento Rustic (McNear Manufacturer).
- 7. I showed the furred-out wall areas on the Second Floor Plans (A3) resulting from the second floor being tucked under the steep roof pitches. These spaces are inaccessible, uninhabitable, and have an average height clearance of less than 4ft.
- 8. I provide 2 x 6 wood trim around all windows. I prefer not to have window sills as they no longer serve a functional purpose and they collect dust.
- 9. I addressed the awkward side gable forms on Unit 1 and 3 by making the roof slopes identical on either side of the roof peak and subsequently reconfigured the floor plans. This comment does not apply to Unit 2 because it already had identical roof slopes on either sides of its gables.
- 10. All Units have exposed 2x10 rafter tails on all sides.

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