

**PLANNING COMMISSION – January 8, 2025**  
**CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL**

**16590 Garden Lane**  
**Architecture and Site Application S-24-049**  
**Variance Application V-24-002**

**Consider a Request for Approval for Technical Demolition of an Existing Single-Family Residence, Construction of a New Single-Family Residence, and a Variance for the Required Front Setback on Property Zoned R-1:8. APN 424-19-054. Categorically Exempt Pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15303: New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures.**

**PROPERTY OWNER/APPLICANT: Sunayana Bedi.**

TO THE SATISFACTION OF THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR:

*Planning Division*

1. APPROVAL: This application shall be completed in accordance with all of the conditions of approval and in substantial compliance with the approved plans. Any changes or modifications to the approved plans and/or business operation shall be approved by the Community Development Director, DRC, or the Planning Commission depending on the scope of the changes.
2. EXPIRATION: The approval will expire two years from the approval date pursuant to Section 29.20.320 of the Town Code, unless the approval has been vested.
3. OUTDOOR LIGHTING: Exterior lighting shall be kept to a minimum, and shall be down directed fixtures that will not reflect or encroach onto adjacent properties. No flood lights shall be used unless it can be demonstrated that they are needed for safety or security.
4. TREE REMOVAL PERMIT: A Tree Removal Permit shall be obtained for any trees to be removed, prior to the issuance of a building or grading permit.
5. EXISTING TREES: All existing trees shown on the plan and trees required to remain or to be planted are specific subjects of approval of this plan, and must remain on the site.
6. ARBORIST REQUIREMENTS: The developer shall implement, at their cost, all recommendations identified in the Arborist's report for the project, on file in the Community Development Department. These recommendations must be incorporated in the building permit plans and completed prior to issuance of a building permit where applicable.
7. TREE FENCING: Protective tree fencing and other protection measures consistent with Section 29.10.1005 of the Town Code shall be placed at the drip line of existing trees prior to issuance of demolition and building permits and shall remain through all phases of construction. Include a tree protection plan with the construction plans.
8. TREE STAKING: All newly planted trees shall be double-staked using rubber tree ties.
9. FRONT YARD LANDSCAPE: Prior to issuance of a Certificate of Occupancy the front yard must be landscaped.

10. WATER EFFICIENCY LANDSCAPE ORDINANCE: The final landscape plan shall meet the Town of Los Gatos Water Conservation Ordinance or the State Water Efficient Landscape Ordinance, whichever is more restrictive. A review fee based on the current fee schedule adopted by the Town Council is required when working landscape and irrigation plans are submitted for review.
11. PROJECT IDENTIFICATION SIGN: The project identification sign on the project site shall be removed within 30 days of approval of the Architecture & Site application.
12. TOWN INDEMNITY: Applicants are notified that Town Code Section 1.10.115 requires that any applicant who receives a permit or entitlement ("the Project") from the Town shall defend (with counsel approved by Town), indemnify, and hold harmless the Town, its agents, officers, and employees from and against any claim, action, or proceeding (including without limitation any appeal or petition for review thereof) against the Town or its agents, officers or employees related to an approval of the Project, including without limitation any related application, permit, certification, condition, environmental determination, other approval, compliance or failure to comply with applicable laws and regulations, and/or processing methods ("Challenge"). Town may (but is not obligated to) defend such Challenge as Town, in its sole discretion, determines appropriate, all at applicant's sole cost and expense. Applicant shall bear any and all losses, damages, injuries, liabilities, costs and expenses (including, without limitation, staff time and in-house attorney's fees on a fully-loaded basis, attorney's fees for outside legal counsel, expert witness fees, court costs, and other litigation expenses) arising out of or related to any Challenge ("Costs"), whether incurred by Applicant, Town, or awarded to any third party, and shall pay to the Town upon demand any Costs incurred by the Town. No modification of the Project, any application, permit certification, condition, environmental determination, other approval, change in applicable laws and regulations, or change in such Challenge as Town, in its sole discretion, determines appropriate, all the applicant's sole cost and expense. No modification of the Project, any application, permit certification, condition, environmental determination, other approval, change in applicable laws and regulations, or change in processing methods shall alter the applicant's indemnity obligation.
13. COMPLIANCE MEMORANDUM: A memorandum shall be prepared and submitted with the building plans detailing how the Conditions of Approval will be addressed.

#### *Building Division*

14. PERMITS REQUIRED: A revision to the existing Building Permit B21-0900 will be required with revisions clouded and corresponding revision explanation letter.
15. APPLICABLE CODES: The applicable codes, as amended and adopted by the Town of Los Gatos as of January 1, 2020, are the 2019 California Building Standards Code, California Code of Regulations Title 24, Parts 1-12.
16. CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL: The Conditions of Approval must be blue lined in full on the cover sheet of the construction plans. A Compliance Memorandum shall be prepared and submitted with the building permit application detailing how the Conditions of Approval will be addressed.
17. SIZE OF PLANS: Minimum size 24" x 36", maximum size 30" x 42".

18. TITLE 24 ENERGY COMPLIANCE: All required California Title 24 Energy Compliance Forms must be blue-lined (sticky-backed), i.e., directly printed, onto a plan sheet.
19. BACKWATER VALVE: The scope of this project may require the installation of a sanitary sewer backwater valve per Town Ordinance 6.40.020. Please provide information on the plans if a backwater valve is required and the location of the installation. The Town of Los Gatos Ordinance and West Valley Sanitation District (WVSD) requires backwater valves on drainage piping serving fixtures that have flood level rims less than 12 inches above the elevation of the next upstream manhole.
20. HAZARDOUS FIRE ZONE: All projects in the Town of Los Gatos require Class A roof assemblies.
21. SPECIAL INSPECTIONS: When a special inspection is required by CBC Section 1704, the Architect or Engineer of Record shall prepare an inspection program that shall be submitted to the Building Official for approval prior to issuance of the Building Permit. The Town Special Inspection form must be completely filled-out and signed by all requested parties prior to permit issuance. Special Inspection forms are available online at [www.losgatosca.gov/building](http://www.losgatosca.gov/building).
22. BLUEPRINT FOR A CLEAN BAY SHEET: The Town standard Santa Clara Valley Nonpoint Source Pollution Control Program Sheet (page size same as submitted drawings) shall be part of the plan submittal as the second page. The specification sheet is available online at [www.losgatosca.gov/building](http://www.losgatosca.gov/building).

TO THE SATISFACTION OF THE DIRECTOR OF PARKS & PUBLIC WORKS:

*Engineering Division*

23. GENERAL: All public improvements shall be made according to the latest adopted Town Standard Plans, Standard Specifications and Engineering Design Standards. All work shall conform to the applicable Town ordinances. The adjacent public right-of-way shall be kept clear of all job-related mud, silt, concrete, dirt and other construction debris at the end of the day. Dirt and debris shall not be washed into storm drainage facilities. The storing of goods and materials on the sidewalk and/or the street will not be allowed unless an encroachment permit is issued by the Engineering Division of the Parks and Public Works Department. The Owner's representative in charge shall be at the job site during all working hours. Failure to maintain the public right-of-way according to this condition may result in the issuance of correction notices, citations, or stop work orders and the Town performing the required maintenance at the Owner's expense.
24. PAYMENT OPTIONS:
  - a. All payments regarding fees and deposits can be mailed to:  
Town of Los Gatos PPW – Attn: Engineering Dept  
41 Miles Avenue  
Los Gatos, CA 95030

Or hand deliver/drop off payment in engineering lock box  
Checks made out to **"Town of Los Gatos"** and should mention **address and application number** on memo/note line.

25. APPROVAL: This application shall be completed in accordance with all the conditions of approval listed below and in substantial compliance with the latest reviewed and approved development plans. Any changes or modifications to the approved plans or conditions of approvals shall be approved by the Town Engineer.
26. CONSTRUCTION PLAN REQUIREMENTS: Construction drawings shall comply with Section 1 (Construction Plan Requirements) of the Town's Engineering Design Standards, which are [available for download from the Town's website](#).
27. CHANGE OF OCCUPANCY: Prior to initial occupancy and any subsequent change in use or occupancy of any non-residential condominium space, the buyer or the new or existing occupant shall apply to the Community Development Department and obtain approval for use determination and building permit and obtain inspection approval for any necessary work to establish the use and/or occupancy consistent with that intended.
28. GENERAL LIABILITY INSURANCE: The property owner shall provide proof of insurance to the Town on a yearly basis. In addition to general coverage, the policy must cover all elements encroaching into the Town's right-of-way.
29. PUBLIC WORKS INSPECTIONS: The Owner, Applicant and/or Developer or their representative shall notify the Engineering Inspector at least twenty-four (24) hours before starting any work pertaining to on-site drainage facilities, grading or paving, and all work in the Town's right-of-way. Failure to do so will result in penalties and rejection of any work that occurred without inspection.
30. RESTORATION OF PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS: The Owner, Applicant and/or Developer or their representative shall repair or replace all existing improvements not designated for removal that are damaged or removed because of the Owner, Applicant and/or Developer or their representative's operations. Improvements such as, but not limited to: curbs, gutters, sidewalks, driveways, signs, pavements, raised pavement markers, thermoplastic pavement markings, etc., shall be repaired and replaced to a condition equal to or better than the original condition. Any new concrete shall be free of stamps, logos, names, graffiti, etc. Any concrete identified that is displaying a stamp or equal shall be removed and replaced at the Contractor's sole expense and no additional compensation shall be allowed therefore. Existing improvement to be repaired or replaced shall be at the direction of the Engineering Construction Inspector and shall comply with all Title 24 Disabled Access provisions. The restoration of all improvements identified by the Engineering Construction Inspector shall be completed before the issuance of a certificate of occupancy. The Owner, Applicant and/or Developer or their representative shall request a walk-through with the Engineering Construction Inspector before the start of construction to verify existing conditions.
31. PLAN CHECK FEES: Plan check fees associated with the Grading Permit shall be deposited with the Engineering Division of the Parks and Public Works Department prior to the commencement of plan check review.
32. SITE SUPERVISION: The General Contractor shall provide qualified supervision on the job site at all times during construction.
33. INSPECTION FEES: Inspection fees shall be deposited with the Town prior to the issuance of permits or recordation of maps.

34. DESIGN CHANGES: Any proposed changes to the approved plans shall be subject to the approval of the Town prior to the commencement of any and all altered work. The Owner's project engineer shall notify, in writing, the Town Engineer at least seventy-two (72) hours in advance of all the proposed changes. Any approved changes shall be incorporated into the final "as-built" plans.
35. PLANS AND STUDIES: All required plans and studies shall be prepared by a Registered Professional Engineer in the State of California and submitted to the Town Engineer for review and approval. Additionally, any post-project traffic or parking counts, or other studies imposed by the Planning Commission or Town Council shall be funded by the Owner, Applicant and/or Developer.
36. GRADING: Any grading work, cut/fill, earthwork or combination thereof (completed or proposed on submitted plans) on the parcel over the upcoming two-year period are combined with regards to grading permit thresholds. This also applies to adjacent parcels with identical owners, applicants and or developers.
37. ILLEGAL GRADING: Per the Town's Comprehensive Fee Schedule, applications for work unlawfully completed shall be charged double the current fee. As a result, the required grading permit fees associated with an application for grading will be charged accordingly.
38. DUST CONTROL: Blowing dust shall be reduced by timing construction activities so that paving and building construction begin as soon as possible after completion of grading, and by landscaping disturbed soils as soon as possible. Further, water trucks shall be present and in use at the construction site. All portions of the site subject to blowing dust shall be watered as often as deemed necessary by the Town, or a minimum of three (3) times daily, or apply (non-toxic) soil stabilizers on all unpaved access roads, parking areas, and staging areas at construction sites in order to insure proper control of blowing dust for the duration of the project. Watering on public streets shall not occur. Streets shall be cleaned by street sweepers or by hand as often as deemed necessary by the Town Engineer, or at least once a day. Watering associated with on-site construction activity shall take place between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. and shall include at least one (1) late-afternoon watering to minimize the effects of blowing dust. All public streets soiled or littered due to this construction activity shall be cleaned and swept on a daily basis during the workweek to the satisfaction of the Town. Demolition or earthwork activities shall be halted when wind speeds (instantaneous gusts) exceed twenty (20) miles per hour (MPH). All trucks hauling soil, sand, or other loose debris shall be covered. For sites greater than four (4) acres in area:
  - a. Enclose, cover, water twice daily or apply (non-toxic) soil binders to exposed stockpiles (dirt, sand, etc.).
  - b. Limit traffic speeds on unpaved roads to fifteen (15) miles per hour.
  - c. Install sandbags or other erosion control measures to prevent silt runoff to public roadways.
  - d. Replant vegetation in disturbed areas as quickly as possible.
  - e. Hydroseed or apply (non-toxic) soil stabilizers to inactive construction areas (previously graded areas inactive for ten days or more).
39. CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITIES: All construction shall conform to the latest requirements of the CASQA Stormwater Best Management Practices Handbooks for Construction Activities

and New Development and Redevelopment, the Town's grading and erosion control ordinance, and other generally accepted engineering practices for erosion control as required by the Town Engineer when undertaking construction activities.

40. SILT AND MUD IN PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAY: It is the responsibility of Contractor and homeowner to make sure that all dirt tracked into the public right-of-way is cleaned up on a daily basis. Mud, silt, concrete and other construction debris SHALL NOT be washed into the Town's storm drains.
41. COVERED TRUCKS: All trucks transporting materials to and from the site shall be covered.
42. GOOD HOUSEKEEPING: Good housekeeping practices shall be observed at all times during the course of construction. All construction shall be diligently supervised by a person or persons authorized to do so at all times during working hours. The Owner's representative in charge shall be at the job site during all working hours. Failure to maintain the public right-of-way according to this condition may result in penalties and/or the Town performing the required maintenance at the Owner's expense.
43. SITE DESIGN MEASURES: All projects shall incorporate at least one of the following measures:
  - a. Protect sensitive areas and minimize changes to the natural topography.
  - b. Minimize impervious surface areas.
  - c. Direct roof downspouts to vegetated areas.
  - d. Use porous or pervious pavement surfaces on the driveway, at a minimum.
  - e. Use landscaping to treat stormwater.
44. CONSTRUCTION HOURS: All improvements and construction activities, including the delivery of construction materials, labors, heavy equipment, supplies, etc., shall be limited to the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., weekdays and 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Saturdays. The Town may authorize, on a case-by-case basis, alternate construction hours. The Owner, Applicant and/or Developer shall provide written notice twenty-four (24) hours in advance of modified construction hours. Approval of this request is at discretion of the Town.
45. CONSTRUCTION NOISE: Between the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., weekdays and 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Saturdays, construction, alteration or repair activities shall be allowed. No individual piece of equipment shall produce a noise level exceeding eighty-five (85) dBA at twenty-five (25) feet from the source. If the device is located within a structure on the property, the measurement shall be made at distances as close to twenty-five (25) feet from the device as possible. The noise level at any point outside of the property plane shall not exceed eighty-five (85) dBA.
46. DELAYED/DEFERRED REPORTS AND REVIEWS: TLGPPW strongly recommend that reports requiring a peer review be submitted and completed prior to committee approval/building permit stage. Note that these reviews may require a design change by the applicant and/or additional studies. Applicants who chose to defer assume risk that required changes may send project back to planning stage.
47. CONSTRUCTION VEHICLE PARKING: Construction vehicle parking within the public right-of-way will only be allowed if it does not cause access or safety problems as determined by the Town.
48. PRIVATE UTILITIES: Private utilities in town right of way is prohibited and should be located on parcel which it serves, unless otherwise allowed via easement.

49. FOR PLANTERS: The Owner, Applicant and/or Developer shall apply for an encroachment permit for the proposed planters within the public sidewalk and/or Town's right-of-way. The Owner, Applicant and/or Developer shall work with Parks and Public Works Department staff to arrive at a mutually agreeable solution that addresses safety and aesthetic issues. If no solution is reached, the vegetative screening requirement shall be waived. A Private Improvements in the Public Right-of-Way (formerly Indemnity) Agreement will be required if planters are proposed to be located within the Town's right-of-way. A copy of the recorded agreement shall be submitted to the Engineering Division of the Parks and Public Works Department prior to the issuance of any grading or building permits.
50. PRIVATE IMPROVEMENTS IN THE PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAY (INDEMNITY AGREEMENT): The property owner shall enter into an agreement with the Town for all existing and proposed private improvements within the Town's right-of-way. The Owner shall be solely responsible for maintaining the improvements in a good and safe condition at all times and shall indemnify the Town of Los Gatos. The agreement must be completed and accepted by the Director of Parks and Public Works, and subsequently recorded by the Town Clerk at the Santa Clara County Office of the Clerk-Recorder, prior to the issuance of any grading or building permits.
51. STREET/SIDEWALK CLOSURE: Any proposed blockage or partial closure of the street and/or sidewalk requires an encroachment permit. Special provisions such as limitations on works hours, protective enclosures, or other means to facilitate public access in a safe manner may be required.
52. CONSTRUCTION EASEMENT: Prior to the issuance of a grading or building permit, it shall be the sole responsibility of the Owner, Applicant and/or Developer to obtain any and all proposed or required easements and/or permissions necessary to perform the grading herein proposed. Proof of agreement/approval is required prior to the issuance of any Permit.
53. EASEMENTS: Show 10' PUE on plans per title report.
54. TREE REMOVAL: Copies of all necessary tree removal permits shall be provided prior to the issuance of a building permit. An arborist report may be necessary. Please contact Tammy Robnett-Illges, Engineering Administrative Assistant [trobnett-illges@losgatosca.gov](mailto:trobnett-illges@losgatosca.gov) (408) 399-5771 for more information.
55. DEDICATIONS: The following shall be dedicated by separate instrument. The dedication shall be recorded before any grading or building permits are issued:
  - a. Garden Lane: A 10' foot, (1,374 sq. foot area) right-of-way along Garden Lane shall be dedicated in fee.
56. UTILITIES: The Owner, Applicant and/or Developer shall install all new, relocated, or temporarily removed utility services, including telephone, electric power and all other communications lines underground, as required by Town Code Section 27.50.015(b). All new utility services shall be placed underground. Underground conduit shall be provided for cable television service. The Owner, Applicant and/or Developer is required to obtain approval of all proposed utility alignments from any and all utility service providers before a Certificate of Occupancy for any new building can be issued. The Town of Los Gatos does not approve or imply approval for final alignment or design of these facilities.

57. FENCES: Fences between all adjacent parcels will need to be located on the property lines/boundary lines. Any existing fences that encroach into the neighbor's property will need to be removed and replaced to the correct location of the boundary lines before a Certificate of Occupancy for any new building can be issued. Waiver of this condition will require signed and notarized letters from all affected neighbors.

TO THE SATISFACTION OF THE SANTA CLARA COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT:

58. PLAN REVIEW COMMENTS: Review of this Developmental proposal is limited to acceptability of site access, water supply and may include specific additional requirements as they pertain to fire department operations, and shall not be construed as a substitute for formal plan review to determine compliance with adopted model codes. Prior to performing any work, the applicant shall make application to, and receive from, the Building Department all applicable construction permits.
59. The fire department has no comments or conditions. The plans are approved as submitted.
60. This project deem approval and will be using 2019 Town Codes.
61. This review shall not be construed to be an approval of a violation of the provisions of the California Fire Code or of other laws or regulations of the jurisdiction. A permit presuming to give authority to violate or cancel the provisions of the fire code or other such laws or regulations shall not be valid. Any addition to or alteration of approved construction documents shall be approved in advance [CFC, Ch.1, 105.3.6].