

March 9, 2004

**Honorable Chairman and Members of the
Meeting of
Hermosa Beach Planning Commission
2004**

**Regular
March 16,**

SUBJECT: CONDOMINIUM 04-4
PRECISE DEVELOPMENT PLAN 04-5
VESTING TENTATIVE PARCEL MAP #060971

LOCATION: 233 LYNDON STREET (AND 232 FIRST COURT)

APPLICANT: WILLIAM BREWSTER
232 FIRST COURT
HERMOSA BEACH, CA 90254

REQUEST: TO ALLOW A TWO-UNIT DETACHED CONDOMINIUM PROJECT

Recommendations

To approve the Conditional Use Permit, Precise Development Plan, and Vesting Tentative Parcel Map subject to conditions as contained in the attached Resolution.

Background

PROJECT INFORMATION:

GENERAL PLAN:	High Density Residential
ZONING:	R-P
LOT SIZE:	2,860 Square Feet
EXISTING USE:	Single-Family Residence
PROPOSED SQUARE FOOTAGE:	Unit 1 (233 Lyndon): 2,025 square feet Unit 2 (232 1st Court): 2,177 square feet
PARKING REQUIRED:	4 Standard 1 Guest
PARKING PROVIDED:	4 Standard 3 Guest
ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION:	Categorically Exempt

The subject site is located on the north side of Lyndon Street between Hermosa Avenue and Monterey Boulevard. Seven of the thirteen lots on this block have been developed with similar two-unit condominium projects in the last six years with no greater than the minimum 5-foot front setback.

Analysis

The project consists of two detached units containing basements with two stories above. Unit 2 also contains a roof deck. Unit 1 contains 3 bedrooms and 2 ½ bathrooms and Unit 2 contains 4 bedrooms

with 3 ½ bathrooms. The buildings are designed in a contemporary style with stucco and split face block finishes, vinyl windows, glass block, and aluminum railing with glass panels.

The project generally complies with zoning requirements except the lot coverage calculates to be 65.5%, which is slightly over the 65% maximum allowable. All required yards are provided including a front yard of 6'2". Both units have open space with enough square footage to meet the minimum requirement of 300 square feet and each unit provides adequately sized decks adjacent to the primary living areas. Open space is provided on grade between the units, on second story decks, and on a roof deck on Unit 2.

The buildings are designed with flat rooflines, and are in compliance with the 30-foot maximum height limit as properly shown on the roof plan and elevations.

Required parking is provided in ground floor garages for each unit with access to the front unit garage on Lyndon Street and access to the rear unit garage on First Court. Guest parking is provided for Unit 1 in the driveway in front of the garage, and for unit 2 on the side of the garage. No on-street parking will be lost as a result of the new curb cut, since a curb cut already exists and parking is not allowed on the north side of Lyndon Street.

The plan provides for landscaping in the areas available in the front and rear yards and between the units. Two 24" box palm trees are proposed, and staff is including a condition that these trees be minimum 36" box.

Unit 2 includes a full bedroom, bath and utility room with plumbing connections in the basement level, and the plans include a separate exterior access door at that level. In order to reduce potential future conversion of this downstairs area for a separate unit, staff is recommending the separate exterior door be eliminated.

CONCUR:

Ken Robertson,
Senior Planner

Sol Blumenfeld, Director
Community Development Department

Attachments

1. Resolution
2. Location Map
3. Photographs
4. Residential Zoning Analysis/Height Calculation

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Lyndon Street



232 First Court (alley)

P.C. RESOLUTION 04-

A RESOLUTION OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF HERMOSA BEACH, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT, PRECISE DEVELOPMENT PLAN, AND VESTING TENTATIVE PARCEL MAP #060971 FOR A TWO-UNIT CONDOMINIUM PROJECT, AT 233 LYNDON STREET AND 232 FIRST COURT, LEGALLY DESCRIBED AS LOT 32, BLOCK 41, 1ST ADDITION TO HERMOSA BEACH

The Planning Commission of the City of Hermosa Beach does hereby resolve and order as follows:

Section 1. An application was filed by William Brewster, owner of real property located at 233 Lyndon Street (AKA 232 First Court), seeking approval of a Conditional Use Permit, Precise Development Plan, and Vesting Tentative Parcel Map #060971 for a two-unit condominium project.

Section 2. The Planning Commission conducted a duly noticed public hearing to consider the subject application on March 16, 2004, at which testimony and evidence, both written and oral, was presented to and considered by the Planning Commission.

Section 3. Based on evidence received at the public hearing, the Planning Commission makes the following factual findings:

1. The applicant is proposing to demolish the existing single-family residence on the property, and develop a two-unit residential condominium project.

2. The subject property proposed for condominium development contains 2,860 square feet, is designated High Density Residential on the General Plan Map, and designated R-P Residential Professional on the Zoning Map.

Section 4. Based on the foregoing factual findings, the Planning Commission makes the following findings pertaining to the application for a Precise Development Plan, Conditional Use Permit, and Vesting Tentative Parcel Map:

1. The map is consistent with applicable general and specific plans;

2. The site is zoned R-P, and as therefore subject to the regulations of the R-3 zone, and is physically suitable for the type and density of proposed development;

3. The subdivision or types of improvements are not likely to cause serious public health problems;

4. The subdivision or type of improvements will not conflict with easements, acquired by the public at large, for access through or use of property within the proposed subdivision;

1 5. Design of the proposed subdivision is compatible and consistent with applicable elements of
2 the City's General Plan, and is compatible with the immediate environment;

3 6. The project, as conditioned, will conform to all zoning and condominium laws and criteria and
4 will be compatible with neighboring residential properties;

5 7. The project is Categorically Exempt from the requirement for an environmental assessment,
6 pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines, Sections 15303(b) and 15315 with the
7 finding that the project is in an area with available services.

8 Section 5. Based on the foregoing, the Planning Commission hereby approves the subject
9 Conditional Use Permit, Precise Development Plan, and Vesting Tentative Parcel Map subject to the
10 following **Conditions of Approval:**

11 **1. The development and continued use of the property shall be in conformance with**
12 **submitted plans, including landscape plans, received and reviewed by the Planning**
13 **Commission at their meeting of March 16, 2004, revised in accordance with the**
14 **conditions below.**

15 a) **The plans shall be revised to comply with the 65% maximum lot coverage.**

16 b) **Separate exterior access from the basement level bedroom in Unit 2 shall be**
17 **eliminated.**

18 **2. The project shall meet all requirements of the Condominium Ordinance.**

19 a) **Each unit shall have the minimum 200 cubic feet of storage space and plans shall**
20 **clearly denote storage space and the location of the FAU and vacuum canister, if**
21 **provided.**

22 b) **Covenants, Conditions, and Restrictions in compliance with the Condominium**
23 **Ordinance shall be submitted to the Community Development Department for**
24 **review and approval prior to the issuance of building permits.**

25 c) **Proof of recordation of approved CC & R's shall be submitted to the Community**
26 **Development Director six (6) months after recordation of the Final Map.**

27 d) **Requirements of Section 17.22.060(G) & (H) shall be shown on structural plans and**
28 **reviewed at the time of Building Division plan check.**

29 **3. There shall be compliance with all requirements of the Public Works Department and**
30 **Fire Department. Public Works Department requirements may include new street**
31 **pavement to centerline of street, curb, gutter and sidewalk along property frontage,**
32 **undergrounding of overhead utilities, and new sewer lateral.**

33 **4. Two copies of a final landscaping plan indicating size, type, and quantity of plant**
34 **materials to be planted shall be submitted to the Community Development Department,**
35 **Planning Division for review and approval prior to the issuance of Building Permits,**
36 **consistent with landscape plans submitted to the Planning Commission, which shall also**
37 **include the following:**

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- a) **The final landscaping plan shall show accurate placement of plant materials provided in available yard areas as required by the Planning Commission. At least two trees a minimum 36" box size shall be provided.**
- b) **An automatic landscape sprinkler system shall be provided, and shall be shown on plans. (building permits are required)**
- 5. Architectural treatment shall be as shown on building elevations and site and floor plans.**
 - a) **Precise building height shall be reviewed at the time of plan check, to the satisfaction of the Community Development Director.**
- 6. Any satellite dish antennas and/or similar equipment shall comply with the requirements of Section 17.46.240 of the Zoning Ordinance.**
- 7. The address of each condominium unit shall be conspicuously displayed on the street or alley side of the buildings with externally or internally lit numbers and the method for illumination shall be shown on plans. Addressing numbering and display subject to approval by the Community Development Department.**
- 8. Roll-up Automatic garage doors shall be installed on all garage door openings.**
- 9. Two copies of final construction plans, including site, elevation and floor plans, which are consistent with the conditions of approval of this conditional use permit, shall be reviewed and approved by the Planning Division for consistency with Planning Commission approved plans prior to the submittal to the Building Division for Plan Check.**
 - a) **If the drainage of surface waters onto the property requires a sump pump to discharge said waters onto the street, the property owner(s) shall record an agreement to assume the risk associated with use and operation of said sump pump; release the City from any liability; and indemnify the City regarding receipt of surface waters onto the property**
- 10. Prior to the submittal of structural plans to the Building Division for Plan Check an Acceptance of Conditions affidavit shall be filed with the Planning Division of the Community Development Department stating that the applicant/property owner is aware of, and agrees to accept, all of the conditions of this grant.**
- 11. Prior to approval of the Final Map, and prior to issuance of a Certificate of Occupancy, outstanding assessments must either be paid in full or apportioned to any newly created parcels. Notice of same shall be provided to the Community Development Director. Assessment payoff amounts may be obtained by calling the City's Assessment Administrator at (800) 755-6864. Applications for apportionment may be obtained in the Public Works Department.**
- 12. The Conditional Use Permit, and Precise Development Plan shall be null and void eighteen months from the date of approval unless building permits have been obtained, and approval of the Vesting Tentative Parcel Map shall become null and void twenty-four months from the date of approval unless the map is finalized and the project implemented. The applicant may apply in writing for an extension of time to the Planning Commission prior to the dates of expiration.**

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13. Prior to issuance of a building permit, abutting property owners and residents within 100 feet shall be notified of the anticipated date for commencement of construction.

a) The form of the notification shall be provided by the Planning Division of the Community Development Department.

b) Building permits will not be issued until the applicant provides an affidavit certifying mailing of the notice.

Section 6. Pursuant to the Code of Civil Procedure Section 1094.6, any legal challenge to the decision of the Planning Commission, after a formal appeal to the City Council, must be made within 90 days after the final decision by the City Council.

VOTE: AYES:
 NOES:
 ABSTAIN:
 ABSENT:

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify the foregoing Resolution P.C. 04- is a true and complete record of the action taken by the Planning Commission of the City of Hermosa Beach, California, at their regular meeting of March 16, 2004.

Langley Kersenboom, Chairman

Sol Blumenfeld, Secretary

March 16, 2004
Date

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