PLANNING DIRECTOR'S VARIANCE

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APPLICATION:

Planning Director's Variance to reduce a portion of the required ten foot courtyard requirement to seven feet.

LOCATION: 2524 0 Street

PROPOSAL: The applicant is requesting the necessary entitlements to reduce a portion of the required ten foot courtyard to seven feet of an existing unit to allow the construction of a two dwelling unit with three garages to the rear of the property.

PROJECT INFORMATION:

General Plan Designation: 1980 Central City Community Plan Designation: Existing Zoning of Site: Existing Land Use of Site:

Medium Density Residential (16-29 du/na)

Existing Structure:

Multi-Family Residential R-3A Residential

Setbacks:

Surrounding Land Use and Zoning:

North:	Residential:R-3A	· ,	
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East:	Residential:R-3A		Sid
West:	Residential:R-3A		Sid

Front:	25'	14'
Side(east):	10'	7'
Side(west):	5'	3'

Required:

de(west): 5' 6' Rear:

Setbacks: Proposed Structure: Required: Provided

Provided:

100'

Front:	25 '	102'
Side(east):	5'	5'
Side(west):	5'	5'
Rear:	6'	6'

Parking Required: Parking Provided: Property Dimensions: Property Area: Density of Development:

3 spaces 40' x 160' .15+ acres 33 d.u. per acre

2 spaces

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Square Footage of Building:Existing Building:2,760+sq.ft.Size of Units:Proposed Building:2,880+sq.ft.Size of Units:Existing Building:2-1 bedroom units(700 sq.ft.)1-2 bedroom unit(1500sq.ft.each)Proposed Building:2-2 bedroom units(1200sq.ft.each)Height of Buildings29'+Exterior Building Materials:Wood Trim and SidingRoof Material:Architectural Composition

Exterior Building Materials: Roof Material: Topography: Street Improvements: Utilities:

29'<u>+</u> Wood Trim and Siding Architectural Composition Flat Existing Existing

PROJECT EVALUATION:

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A. Land Use and Zoning

The subject site is a 40' x 160' interior lot in the Multi-family (R-3A) zone. A two-story, 2,900 sq.ft., three unit apartment is developed on the lot. The Design Review and Preservation Board on April 19, 1989, (PB89-010) approved two additional units to be constructed on the rear of the lot. The site is located in the Sutter's Fort Preservation area and the existing residence is a supportive structure.

B. Applicant's Proposal

The applicant's recent approval by the Design Review and Preservation Board for two units with three garages, to the rear of the existing lot, required a 10 foot courtyard clearance along the east side of the existing residential structure. The existing residence has a seven foot setback along the east side of the structure. The applicant is requesting a Planning Director's Variance to reduce a portion of the required ten foot courtyard requirement to seven feet in order to allow the construction of the two additional units.

C. <u>Staff Comments</u>

Staff has no objections to this request. The applicant will be constructing three single car garages, along with the two additional units, which will allow for the units to the rear of the lot to use the alley for access. By developing the new units with garages off of the alley, the tenants won't have the need to use the street for parking or the courtyard area for access to the units. The required courtyard will only be used by visitors to the site and shouldn't therefore create an adverse impact on the existing apartments. The applicant has notified the adjacent property owner and there were no objections to the variance request

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<u>Environmental Determination</u>: This project is exempt from environmental review pursuant to State EIR Guidelines {CEQA Section 15305(a)}.

<u>Recommendation</u>: Staff recommends approval of the variance request subject to the following conditions and based on findings of fact which follow:

Conditions:

- 1. The applicant shall meet all the requirements of the City's Design Review and Preservation Board for the proposed two units.
- 2. The applicant shall obtain all necessary building permits prior to construction.

Findings of Fact:

- 1. The requested variance does not constitute a special privilege in that:
 - a. The present courtyard clearance along the east side of the existing structure is seven feet; and
 - b. A variance would be granted to any other property owner facing similar circumstances.
- 2. The granting of the variance will not be detrimental to the public welfare nor to properties in the vicinity in that the seven foot courtyard clearance will not adversely impact the proposed units nor alter the characteristics of the surrounding land uses.
- 3. The requested variance does not constitute a use variance in that two family dwellings are permitted in the R-3A zone.

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4. The proposed project is consistent with the General Plan which designates the site for medium density residential and the 1980 Central City Community Plan designates the site for multi-family.

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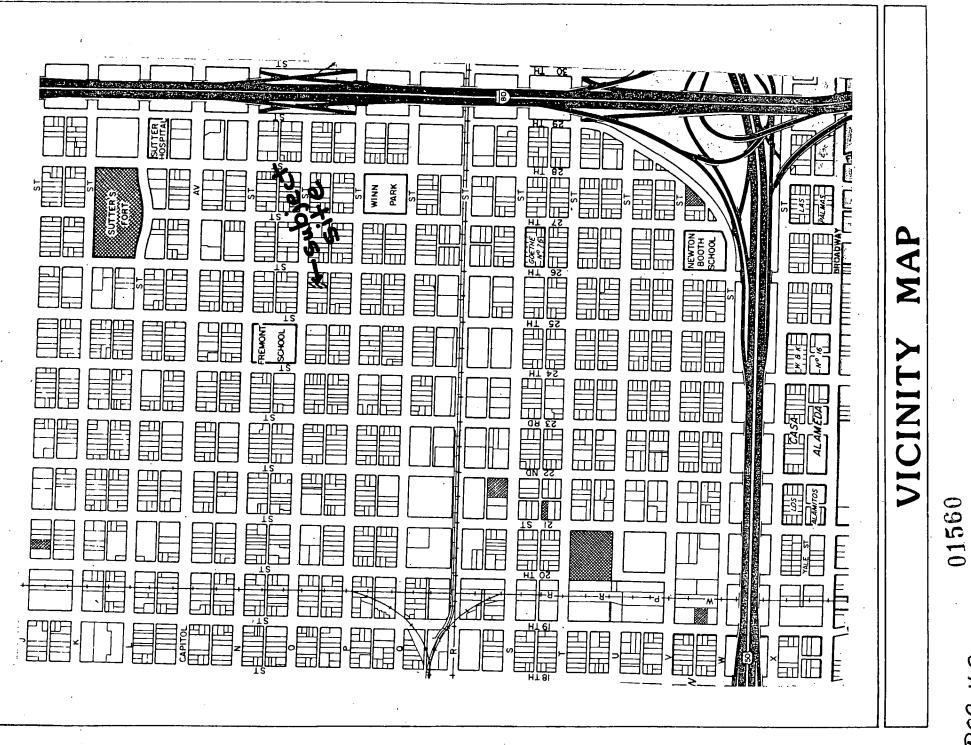
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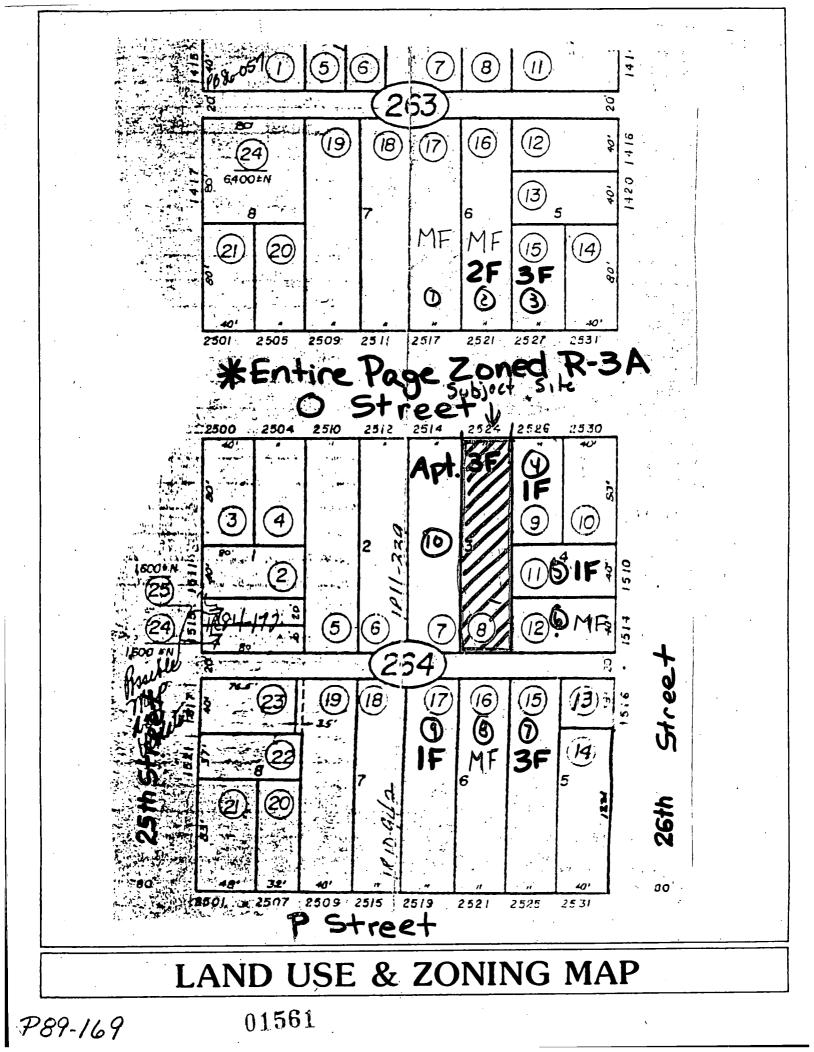
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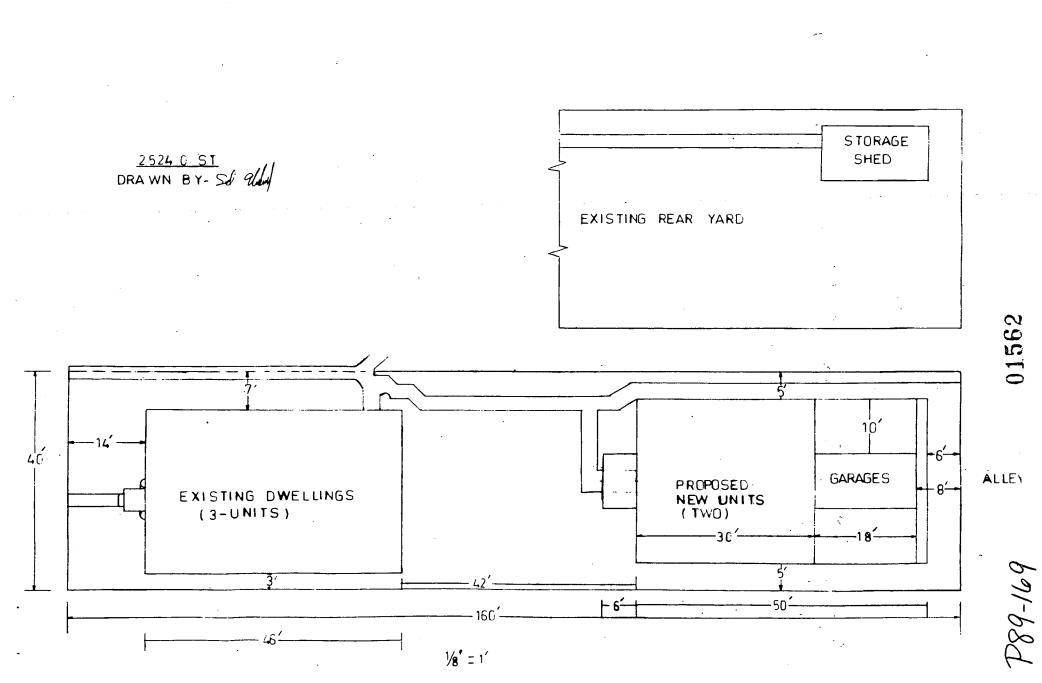
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