E.1.a.d1224 Richardson Street - Rezoning Application No. 00705 and Development Permit with Variances Application No. 00149 (Rockland)

Moved By Councillor Alto Seconded By Councillor Potts

Rezoning Application No. 00705

That Council instruct staff to prepare the necessary Zoning Regulation Bylaw Amendment that would authorize the proposed development outlined in Rezoning Application No. 00705 for 1224 Richardson Street, that first and second reading of the Zoning Regulation Bylaw Amendment be considered by Council and a Public Hearing date be set once the following conditions are met:

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 - e. to ensure that an owner contribute 50% of the difference between their purchase price and the increased sale price to the City's Housing Reserve Fund if the unit is sold within three years of purchase.
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Development Permit with Variances Application No. 00149

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 - i. reduce the vehicle parking from 23 stalls to 10 stalls;
 - ii. increase the height from 7.6 metres to 10.08 metres;
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 - iv. allow for roof decks.
- 3. The Development Permit lapsing two years from the date of this resolution."

FOR (7): Mayor Helps, Councillor Alto, Councillor Isitt, Councillor Loveday, Councillor Potts, Councillor Thornton-Joe, and Councillor Dubow OPPOSED (1): Councillor Young

CARRIED (7 to 1)

F.3 <u>1224 Richardson Street - Rezoning Application No. 00705 and Development</u> Permit with Variances Application No. 00149 (Rockland)

Committee received a report dated June 18, 2020 from the Director of Sustainable Planning and Community Development regarding the rezoning and development permit with variance for the property located at 1224 Richardson Street. The rezoning proposal would allow for a new site-specific zone in order to increase the density and allow for multiple dwellings and the development permit with variances application would allow for varied parking, height and number of storeys and allow for a roof deck.

Committee discussed:

 The reasoning for the applicant adding a covenant to the property without being prompted by the City.

Moved By Mayor Helps Seconded By Councillor Potts

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Amendment:
Moved By Mayor Helps
Seconded By Councillor Alto

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Amendment to the amendment: Moved By Councillor Alto Seconded By Councillor Potts

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CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

On the main motion as amended:

FOR (3): Mayor Helps, Councillor Alto, and Councillor Potts
OPPOSED (2): Councillor Thornton-Joe, and Councillor Young
CARRIED (3 to 2)

Moved By Mayor Helps Seconded By Councillor Potts

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FOR (3): Mayor Helps, Councillor Alto, and Councillor Potts OPPOSED (2): Councillor Thornton-Joe, and Councillor Young

CARRIED (3 to 2)

Committee recessed at 12:12 p.m. and returned at 12:45 p.m.



Committee of the Whole Report

For the Meeting of July 2, 2020

To: Committee of the Whole **Date:** June 18, 2020

From: Karen Hoese, Director, Sustainable Planning and Community Development

Subject: Rezoning Application No. 00705 for 1224 Richardson Street

RECOMMENDATION

That Council instruct staff to prepare the necessary Zoning Regulation Bylaw Amendment that would authorize the proposed development outlined in Rezoning Application No. 00705 for 1224 Richardson Street, that first and second reading of the Zoning Regulation Bylaw Amendment be considered by Council and a Public Hearing date be set once the following conditions are met:

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 - c. to secure a 1.43 metre Statutory Right-of-Way adjacent to the lane.

LEGISLATIVE AUTHORITY

In accordance with Section 479 of the *Local Government Act*, Council may regulate within a zone the use of land, buildings and other structures, the density of the use of the land, building and other structures, the siting, size and dimensions of buildings and other structures as well as the uses that are permitted on the land and the location of uses on the land and within buildings and other structures.

In accordance with Section 483 of the Local Government Act, Council may enter into a Housing

Agreement which may include terms agreed to by the owner regarding the occupancy of the housing units and provided such agreement does not vary the use of the density of the land from that permitted under the zoning bylaw.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to present Council with information, analysis and recommendations for a Rezoning Application for the property located at 1224 Richardson Street. The proposal is to rezone from the R1-B Zone, Single Family Dwelling District, to a new site-specific zone in order to increase the density to 0.67:1 floor space ratio (FSR) and allow for multiple dwellings at this location. A concurrent development permit with variances application would vary the parking, height and number of storeys and allow for a roof deck.

The following points were considered in assessing this application:

- the proposal is generally consistent with the Official Community Plan (OCP, 2012)
 Traditional Residential Urban Place Designation in terms of use, density, built form and place character
- the proposal would create new homeownership options and advance the OCP's objectives with regards to providing a diversity of housing types in each neighbourhood
- the proposal is inconsistent with the *Rockland Neighbourhood Plan* (1987), which encourages consideration of duplex or small-scale townhouses as an appropriate form of infill in the R1-B Zoned areas of the neighbourhood
- the proposal meets the Tenant Assistance Policy.

BACKGROUND

Description of Proposal

This Rezoning Application is to allow for three ground-oriented residential buildings, with approximately 24 dwelling units, at an overall density of 0.67:1 floor space ratio (FSR). Although similar in width to adjacent properties, the subject site is a relatively deep lot with a total site area of approximately 1738m². The new zone would allow for houseplexes as a form of ground-oriented multiple dwelling, as well as increased height and reduced setbacks in comparison to the R1-B Zone, Single Family Dwelling District.

Variances related to parking, number of storeys, height and roof decks are also associated with this proposal and reviewed in relation to the concurrent Development Permit with Variances Application.

Affordable Housing

The applicant proposes the demolition of two dwellings and creation of 24 new one- and twobedroom units which would increase the overall supply of housing in the area. A Housing Agreement is also being proposed which would ensure that future Strata Bylaws could not prohibit the rental of units.

The subject site is designated as Traditional Residential in the *Official Community Plan* (OCP, 2012) and is therefore not subject to the Inclusionary Housing and Community Amenity Policy. Nevertheless, as a voluntary measure, the applicant is offering to secure the initial sale of the units at an average of \$330,000 for one-bedroom units and \$480,000 for two-bedroom units. An

additional covenant on the dwellings would require an owner to pay fifty percent of the difference between their purchase price and the increased sale price to the City's Housing Reserve Fund if the unit is sold within three years of purchase.

In order to meet the definition of affordable homeownership, as outlined in the *Victoria Housing Strategy Phase Two*, an applicant must partner with a government agency or establish non-profit housing organization to administer the unit sales, income test potential buyers, and to monitor and enforce the affordable housing program. This is typically done through agencies such as BC Housing or the Capital Regional District which, unlike the City, are resourced to run these programs and staff have recommended that the applicant pursue such a partnership. However, the applicant has chosen not to do so, and has not provided an alternate way of administering the program or ensuring that affordability is passed on to future owners. Further, the proposed below-market rates for the initial sale have not been verified by an independent third-party, nor have maximum income criteria for potential buyers been established.

Therefore, although these voluntary covenants could potentially help in limiting housing prices and curbing speculation, in the absence of appropriate administrative measures in place it is uncertain as to what extent the application would provide a contribution to affordable housing in Victoria. However, an alternate motion is provided should Council decide to direct staff to work with the applicant on executing these covenants.

Tenant Assistance Policy

The proposal is to demolish an existing building which would result in a loss of two existing residential rental units. Consistent with the Tenant Assistance Policy, the applicant has provided a Tenant Assistance Plan which is attached to this report.

Sustainability

The applicant has identified a number of sustainability features which will be reviewed in association with the concurrent Development Permit with Variances Application for this property.

Active Transportation

The application proposes short and long term bicycle parking, including two spaces for oversized bicycles, which supports active transportation.

Public Realm

No public realm improvements, beyond City standard requirements, are proposed in association with this Rezoning Application.

Accessibility

The British Columbia Building Code regulates accessibility as it pertains to buildings.

Land Use Context

The area is characterized by single family dwellings, duplexes and house conversions to multiple dwellings. Several of the properties to the west, along Linden Avenue, are either heritage-registered or designated properties.

Existing Site Development and Development Potential

The site is presently developed as a single family dwelling that has been converted to a duplex.

Under the current R1-B Zone, the property could be developed as a single family dwelling with either a secondary suite or a garden suite. Alternatively, subject to Council approval of a development permit for panhandle subdivision, the property could be subdivided into three lots and each lot could have a single family dwelling with either a secondary suite or garden suite.

Data Table

The following data table compares the proposal with the existing R1-B Zone, Single Family Dwelling District. An asterisk is used to identify where the proposal does not meet the requirements of the existing zone.

Zoning Criteria	Proposal	Existing Zone	OCP Traditional Residential
Site area (m²) – minimum	1738.22	460	-
Number of units – maximum	24	2	-
Density (Floor Space Ratio) – maximum	0.67:1	-	1:1
Total floor area (m²) – maximum	1156.15 *	420	-
Lot width (m) – minimum	17.36	15	
Height (m) – maximum	9.4 * (Building A) 10.08 * (Building B) 9.95 * (Building C)	7.6	-
Storeys – maximum	3*	2	Up to 2-3
Site coverage (%) – maximum	31	40	-
Open site space (%) – minimum	56	-	-
Separation space between buildings (within the site) (m) – minimum	27.05 (Buildings A and B) 7.61 (Buildings B and C)	-	-
Roof deck	Yes * (Buildings B and C)	No	-
Setbacks (m) – minimum			

Zoning Criteria	Proposal	Existing Zone	OCP Traditional Residential	
Building A				
Front	7.09 * (building) 4.80 * (stairs)	7.5 (building) 5.0 (stairs)	-	
Side (east)	1.84	1.74 (10% of lot width)	-	
Side (west)	3.14 (building)	1.74 (10% of lot width)	-	
Combined side yards	4.98	4.5	-	
Building B				
Side (east)	1.81 (building)	1.74 (10% of lot width)	-	
Slide (west)	3.13 (building) 1.47 * (stairs)	1.74 (10% of lot width)		
Combined side yards	3.28 *	4.5	-	
Building C				
Side (east)	1.81 (building)	1.74 (10% of lot width)	-	
Side (west)	3.09 (building) 1.29 * (stairs)	1.74 (10% of lot width)	-	
Rear	9.35 *	25.25 (25% of lot depth)	-	
Combined side yards	3.10 *	4.5	-	
Parking – minimum	10 *	23	-	
Visitor parking included in the overall units – minimum	3	2	-	
Bicycle parking – minimum				
Long Term	26	26	-	
Short Term	18	18	-	

Community Consultation

Consistent with the Community Association Land Use Committee (CALUC) Procedures for Processing Rezoning and Variance Applications, the applicant has consulted the Rockland CALUC at a Community Meeting held on July 16, 2019. A second CALUC meeting was held on

September 17, 2019 due to the potential for an Official Community Plan amendment. All property owners and residents within 200m of the subject site were notified of the second meeting, whereas only those within 100m were notified of the first meeting. Meeting summaries are attached to this report.

ANALYSIS

Official Community Plan

The Official Community Plan (OCP, 2012) Urban Place Designation for the subject property is Traditional Residential, which supports ground-oriented residential uses. The OCP states that new development may have a density of generally up to 1:1 floor space ratio (FSR) and up to two storeys in height and approximately three storeys along arterial and secondary arterial roads. The OCP also notes that within each designation there will be a range of built forms and that decisions about the appropriate scale for a particular site will be based on an evaluation of the context in addition to consistency with OCP policies, other relevant City policies and local area plans.

The subject site is located on a collector road, not an arterial road, however the immediate context includes several older character houses that are similar in scale to the proposed buildings. While the proposed development is technically three storeys in height due to the ceiling height of the basement relative to average grade, the buildings present as two storeys with a raised basement. This form of development fits with the existing context and is considered consistent with the spirit of the Traditional Residential Urban Place Designation.

Some of the adjacent houses remain as single family dwellings while many have been converted to multiple dwellings – a common form of infill development in both the Rockland neighbourhood and Fairfield to the south of Richardson Street. The proposed houseplexes, which are buildings of three or more units that appear as large single family dwellings, and density of 0.67:1 FSR, are considered a compatible form of infill development that is consistent with the use, density and place character envisioned in the OCP for Traditional Residential areas. Furthermore, the proposed mix of one- and two-bedroom condominiums would help advance the OCP housing objectives, which encourage a diversity of housing types to create more home ownership options in each neighbourhood.

Rockland Neighbourhood Plan

The Rockland Neighbourhood Plan (1987) supports consideration of duplexes or small-scale townhouses as an appropriate form of infill in areas currently zoned R1-B. The plan does not contemplate houseplexes as a potential housing typology in the neighbourhood. Although the proposed development is not consistent with the envisioned use, it is aligned with the policies that support new buildings that compliment the larger estate houses of Rockland, and would add to the neighbourhood's ground-oriented housing stock.

Tree Preservation Bylaw and Urban Forest Master Plan

The goals of the Urban Forest Master Plan include protecting, enhancing, and expanding Victoria's urban forest and optimizing community benefits from the urban forest in all neighbourhoods.

This application was received prior to October 24, 2019, so it falls under *Tree Preservation Bylaw No. 05-106* consolidated June 1, 2015. The tree inventory included in the attached

arborist report identifies five offsite trees that could be impacted by development activities: one bylaw-protected, three unprotected, and one City street tree. The following is a summary of tree-related considerations:

- a bylaw-protected European ash tree on the neighbouring property to the east is proposed for removal due to conflict with Building C (root loss from excavation and loss of canopy); therefore, two replacement trees will need to be planted at 1232 Richardson Street
- an unprotected black locust tree on 1232 Richardson Street is also proposed for removal due to negative impacts from the proposed building excavation
- two unprotected trees on neighbouring properties and a hawthorn tree on the City frontage are to be retained with mitigation measures such as tree protection fencing and arborist supervision
- thirty new trees have been proposed to be planted on the site.

Statutory Right-of-Way

The applicant is offering a 1.43m wide Statutory Right-of-Way to help achieve a wider right-of-way along the public portion of the lane.

Regulatory Considerations

Variances related to parking, number of storeys, height and roof decks are associated with this proposal and are reviewed with the concurrent Development Permit with Variances Application.

CONCLUSIONS

The proposal to rezone the site to construct three houseplexes on one lot is consistent with the use and density envisioned for this location in the OCP and would add to housing diversity in the Rockland neighbourhood. Therefore, staff recommend that Council consider advancing the application to a Public Hearing.

ALTERNATE MOTIONS

Option 1 (with Legal Agreement related to Housing Offer)

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Option 2 (Decline)

That Council decline Rezoning Application No. 00705 for the property located at 1224 Richardson Street.

Respectfully submitted,

Alec Johnston Senior Planner

Development Services

Karen Hoese, Director

Sustainable Planning and Community

Development Department

Report accepted and recommended by the City Manager:

Date: June 23, 2020

List of Attachments

- Attachment A: Subject Map
- Attachment B: Aerial Map
- Attachment C: Plans date stamped June 8, 2020
- Attachment D: Letter from applicant to Mayor and Council dated May 20, 2020
- Attachment E: Community Association Land Use Committee Comments dated July 16, 2019, September 17, 2019 and October 10, 2019
- Attachment F: Arborist report dated May 13, 2019 updated August 19, 2019
- Attachment G: Advisory Design Panel minutes dated November 27, 2019
- Attachment H: Letter from applicant in response to Advisory Design Panel recommendation dated January 24, 2020
- Attachment I: Tenant Assistance Plan
- Attachment J: Correspondence.



Committee of the Whole Report For the Meeting of July 2, 2020

To: Committee of the Whole **Date:** June 18, 2020

From: Karen Hoese, Director, Sustainable Planning and Community Development

Subject: Development Permit with Variances Application No. 00149 for 1224

Richardson Street

RECOMMENDATION

That Council, after giving notice and allowing an opportunity for public comment at a meeting of Council, and after the Public Hearing for Rezoning Application No. 00705, if it is approved, consider the following motion:

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- 3. The Development Permit lapsing two years from the date of this resolution."

LEGISLATIVE AUTHORITY

In accordance with Section 489 of the *Local Government Act*, Council may issue a Development Permit in accordance with the applicable guidelines specified in the *Official Community Plan*. A Development Permit may vary or supplement the *Zoning Regulation Bylaw* but may not vary the use or density of the land from that specified in the Bylaw.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to present Council with information, analysis and recommendations for a Development Permit Application for the property located at 1224 Richardson Street. The proposal is to construct three buildings with multiple dwellings on one lot. The variances are related to reduced parking, increased height and number of storeys, and to allow for roof decks.

The following points were considered in assessing this application:

- the proposal is generally consistent with the Design Guidelines for Development Permit Area 16: General Form and Character, which seeks to integrate new development in a manner that compliments and enhances established place character
- the proposal is generally consistent with the *Rockland Neighbourhood Plan*, 1987, which encourages new development that is compatible with the traditional architectural character of the area
- the parking variance is considered supportable as the applicant is proposing Transportation Demand Management (TDM) measures to mitigate the potential impacts from this variance which would be secured by legal agreement in conjunction with the concurrent Rezoning Application.
- the variances related to height and number of storeys are considered supportable because the proposed building is similar in scale and character to adjacent buildings
- the variance to permit roof decks is considered supportable as the decks present as upper storey balconies and would have minimal impact on adjacent properties in terms of overlook.

BACKGROUND

Description of Proposal

The proposal is to construct three multiple dwellings (houseplexes) with approximately 24 dwelling units. The proposal includes the following major design components:

- traditional architectural form and character that takes design cues from adjacent buildings
- 24 dwelling units in three buildings (Building A: 6 units, Building B: 9 units and Building C: 9 units)
- individual at-grade entrances for each unit
- clustered surface parking for ten vehicles located behind the street fronting building (Building A) accessed via the public portion of the laneway
- bike parking rooms within each building
- shared exterior garbage and recycling enclosure adjacent to Building A.

Exterior building materials include:

- fiber cement shingles (light tan, light grey and dark grey colour)
- fiber cement horizontal siding (dark tan, slate and cream colour)
- wood trim (white colour)
- fiberglass roof shingles (charcoal colour)
- wood stairs, guards and exterior doors (white colour).

Landscape elements include:

- vegetated swale for on-site storm water management
- private outdoor space for the majority of units in the form of a balcony or patio
- shared gardening area with raised planters and fruit trees
- common outdoor amenity space with outdoor fireplace, pergola and seating
- metal grate boardwalk providing access to the buildings across the swale
- perimeter landscaping and fencing for privacy.

The proposed variances are related to:

- reducing the vehicle parking from 23 stalls to 10 stalls
- increasing the height from 7.6 metres to 10.08 metres
- increasing the number of storeys from 2.5 to 3
- allowing roof decks.

Sustainability

As indicated in the applicant's letter dated May 20, 2020 the following sustainability features are associated with this proposal:

- buildings would be designed and constructed to accommodate future solar panels and electric vehicle charging
- landscape design that incorporates storm water retention swales and infiltration areas, drought tolerant plants, permeable pavers and infiltration areas
- 30 new on-site trees
- relocation or recycling of the existing building.

Data Table

The following data table compares the proposal with the existing R1-B Zone, Single Family Dwelling District. An asterisk is used to identify where the proposal does not meet the requirements of the existing zone.

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Site coverage (%) – maximum	31	40	-	
Open site space (%) – minimum	56	-	-	
Separation space between buildings (within the site) (m) – minimum	27.05 (Buildings A and B) 7.61 (Buildings B and C)	-	-	
Roof deck	Yes * (Buildings B and C)	No	-	
Setbacks (m) – minimum				
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Bicycle parking – minimum					
Long Term	26	26	-		
Short Term	18	18	-		

ANALYSIS

Official Community Plan

The subject site is designated as Traditional Residential in the *Official Community Plan* (OCP, 2012), which supports ground-oriented residential buildings with front and rear yards, variable landscaping and units oriented to face the street.

Rockland Neighbourhood Plan

The Rockland Neighbourhood Plan (1987) encourages the preservation of larger lots, architecture that relates to the traditional form and character of existing buildings, and retention and enhancement of landscape and streetscape features that contribute to the neighbourhood's heritage character. The proposal is generally consistent with these policies.

Design Guidelines for Development Permit Area 16: General Form and Character

The OCP identifies the site within Development Permit Area 16: General Form and Character. The objectives of this DPA are to integrate new developments in a manner that compliments and enhances the established place character of an area through high quality architecture, landscape and urban design. Other objectives include providing sensitive transitions to adjacent properties with built form of three storeys or lower, and to achieve more liveable environments through considerations for human-scaled design, quality of open spaces, privacy impacts and safety and accessibility. Design Guidelines that apply to DPA 16 are the *Multi-Unit Residential, Commercial and Industrial Design Guidelines* (2012), *Advisory Design Guidelines*

for Buildings, Signs and Awnings (2006), and Guidelines for Fences, Gates and Shutters (2010).

The proposal complies with the guidelines as follows:

- the traditional building design and landscaping respects the character of the established area and incorporates exterior materials that are durable and will weather gracefully
- street-oriented entrances are prominent and include entry canopies and porches that provide a transition from the public realm of the street and sidewalk to the private realm of the proposed residences
- landscaped planting areas and communal outdoor spaces that foster community and contribute to the green character of the area
- pedestrian oriented site planning with clustered parking located behind the street fronting building and accessed via a shared driveway, which limits the visual impact of vehicle parking on the existing street character and reduces the amount of site area taken up by vehicle access and parking.

Advisory Design Panel

The application was referred to the Advisory Design Panel (ADP) on November 27, 2019. The ADP was asked to comment on the overall building and landscape design, with particular attention to the transition with adjacent properties.

The ADP meeting minutes are attached for reference, and the following motion was carried:

It was moved ... that Advisory Design Panel recommend to Council that Development Permit Application No. 000558 for 1224 Richardson Street be declined until further consideration of the following items:

- clarification of pedestrian use of the lane
- · clarification of public and private site access
- adjustments to the character of units B and C to better fit the property
- accessibility of the units and accessibility within the site
- clarification of site functionality, including loading.

The applicant provided a letter of response dated January 24, 2020, as well as revised plans to address the ADP comments and issues identified in the motion.

Four of the five issues identified by the ADP appear to relate to the site planning and building orientation as it relates to the adjacent lane. However, only the two ends of the lane are public right-of-way; the majority of the lane is located on private property. While access to the lane is not currently controlled and the general public continues to use the lane for vehicle and pedestrian access, the subject site does not have legal access to the privately-owned portion of the lane. Further, as noted in the applicant's letter dated January 24, 2020, several owners of the lane raised concern with the proposed development having access via the lane and have requested a fence be installed to limit the potential for occupants of Buildings B and C to utilize the lane for dropoff and loading. Therefore, the proposed development has not been designed to utilize the private lane nor have the buildings been oriented to face the private lane. Instead, consistent with the Design Guidelines, the buildings are oriented towards Richardson Street and the vehicle access is off the public portion of the lane as shown on the site plan. To better fit the

property, the applicant has modified Buildings B and C to reduce the "institutional character" of the entrances, which was a concern noted by the Panel.

Regulatory Considerations

A number of variances related to height, setbacks, parking and roof decks are proposed as part of this application. This approach is recommended to ensure that reduced siting requirements are not entrenched in a new custom zone and that any future alternative development proposals would need to apply to Council to achieve these, or different variances.

Height and Number of Storeys

In terms of height, the OCP envisions buildings up to approximately two storeys in most areas designated as Traditional Residential, with taller buildings up to approximately three storeys along arterial or secondary arterial roads. Generally consistent with this policy direction, the new zone would establish a maximum height of 7.6m and 2.5 storeys. The proposed buildings appear as two-storey buildings with a raised basement; however, the *Zoning Regulation Bylaw* considers the lower basement level as the first storey due to the ceiling height relative to average grade. Therefore, the proposed buildings are technically three storeys in height. The average grade is lowered by the sunken patios for the basement units. Staff consider the increase in number of storeys from 2.5 storeys to three, and increase in building height from 7.6m to 10.08m, as supportable because the building appears as a 2.5 storey building and the sunken patios contribute to the livability of the lower units, consistent with the Design Guidelines.

Parking

A variance is requested to reduce the required number of parking stalls from a total of 23 to 10. To mitigate some of the potential impacts from this variance the applicant is proposing the following Transportation Demand Management (TDM) measures, which would be secured by legal agreement as a condition of the concurrent Rezoning Application:

- one car share vehicle
- one dedicated car share parking stall
- car share memberships for each unit
- \$100 car share credit per membership
- two over-sized bicycle parking stalls
- one bicycle repair station.

Given these measures, staff consider the parking variance as supportable.

Roof decks

Consistent with the existing R1-B Zone, , in order to limit the potential negative impacts on adjacent properties in terms of privacy in the event a different design was advanced in the future, the new zone would not permit roof decks as a right. The proposed upper storey balconies, which are a typical design feature of traditional buildings in the area, are technically roof decks as they are located above the second storey of the building. However, these balconies are small in size and are oriented to the south and not towards the rear yards of adjacent properties. Staff therefore consider these roof decks supportable as they are

consistent with the character of the area, provide private outdoor space for the upper units and would have minimal impact on adjacent properties.

CONCLUSIONS

The proposal to construct three houseplexes on one lot with 24 ground-oriented dwellings is considered consistent with the Design Guidelines for Development Permit Area 16: General Form and Character. The buildings and associated landscaping would integrate with the mix of single family dwellings, duplexes and house conversions and the associated variances have been mitigated through design and appropriate TDM measures. Therefore, staff recommend that Council consider approving the application.

ALTERNATE MOTION

That Council decline Development Permit with Variances Application No. 00149 for the property located at 1224 Richardson Street.

Respectfully submitted,

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Development Services Division

Karen Hoese, Director

Sustainable Planning and Community

Development Department

Report accepted and recommended by the City Manager:

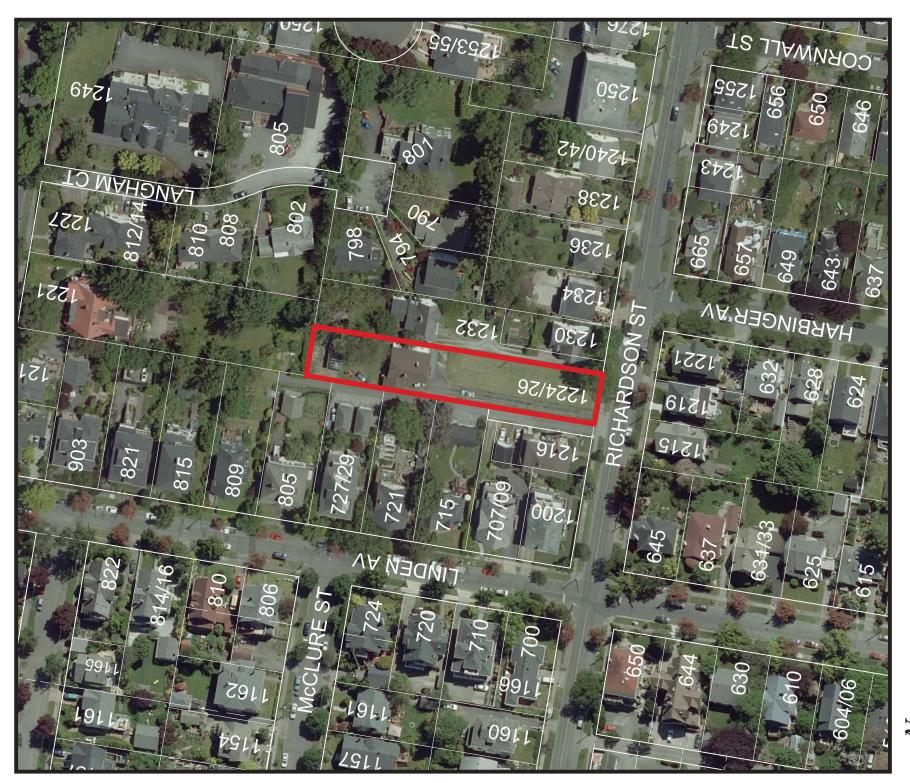
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List of Attachments

- Attachment A: Subject Map
- Attachment B: Aerial Map
- Attachment C: Plans date stamped June 8, 2020
- Attachment D: Letter from applicant to Mayor and Council dated May 20, 2020
- Attachment E: Community Association Land Use Committee Comments dated July 16, 2019, September 17, 2019 and October 10, 2019
- Attachment F: Arborist report dated May 13, 2019 updated August 19, 2019
- Attachment G: Advisory Design Panel minutes dated November 27, 2019
- Attachment H: Letter from applicant in response to Advisory Design Panel recommendation dated January 24, 2020
- Attachment I: Tenant Assistance Plan
- Attachment J: Correspondence.





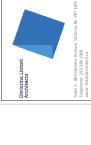




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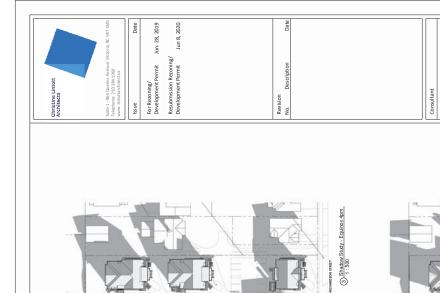
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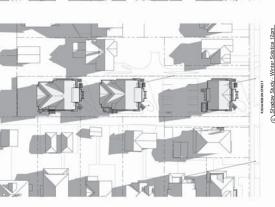


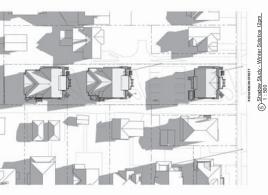


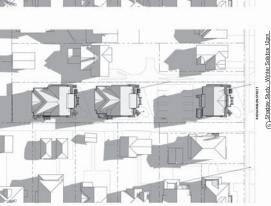












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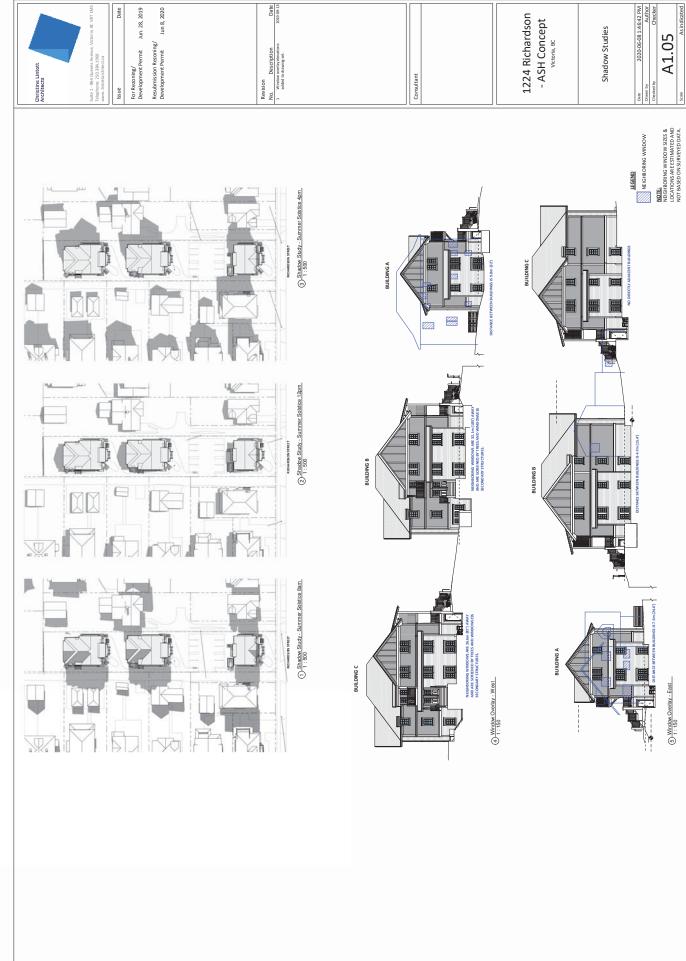
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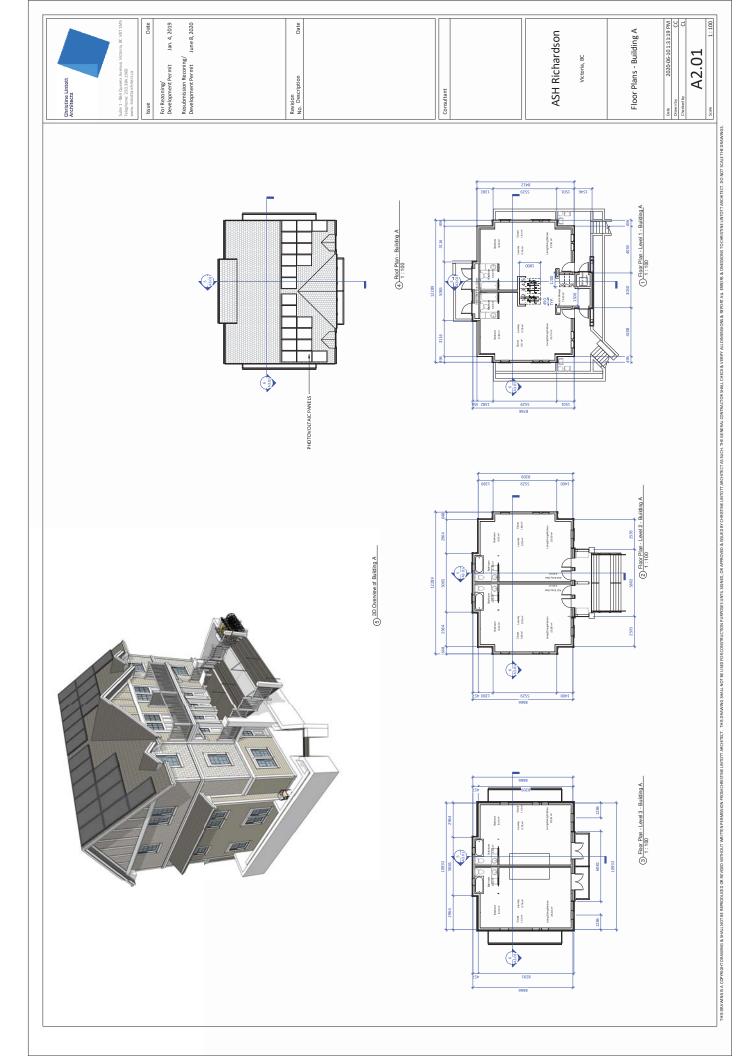
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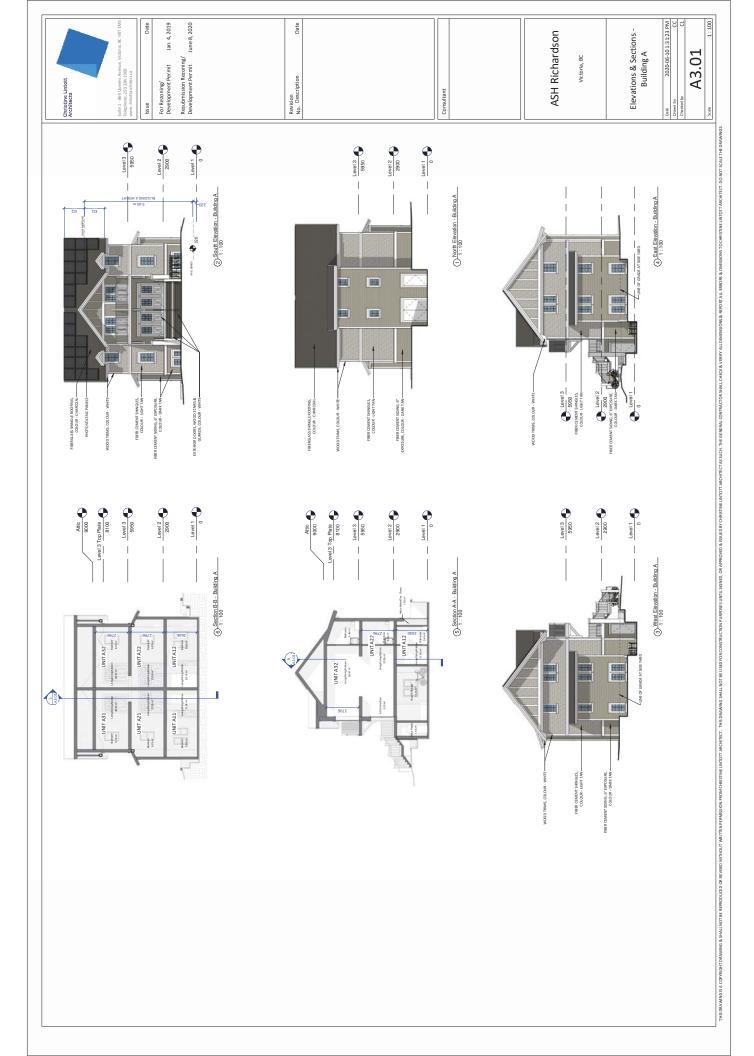
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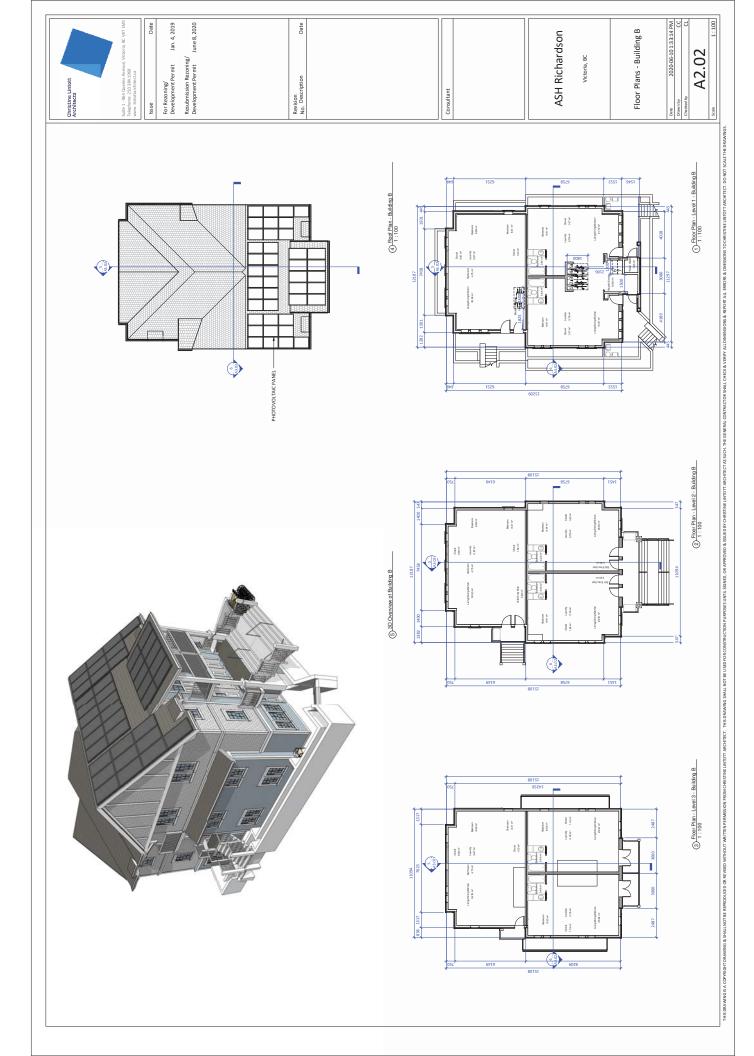


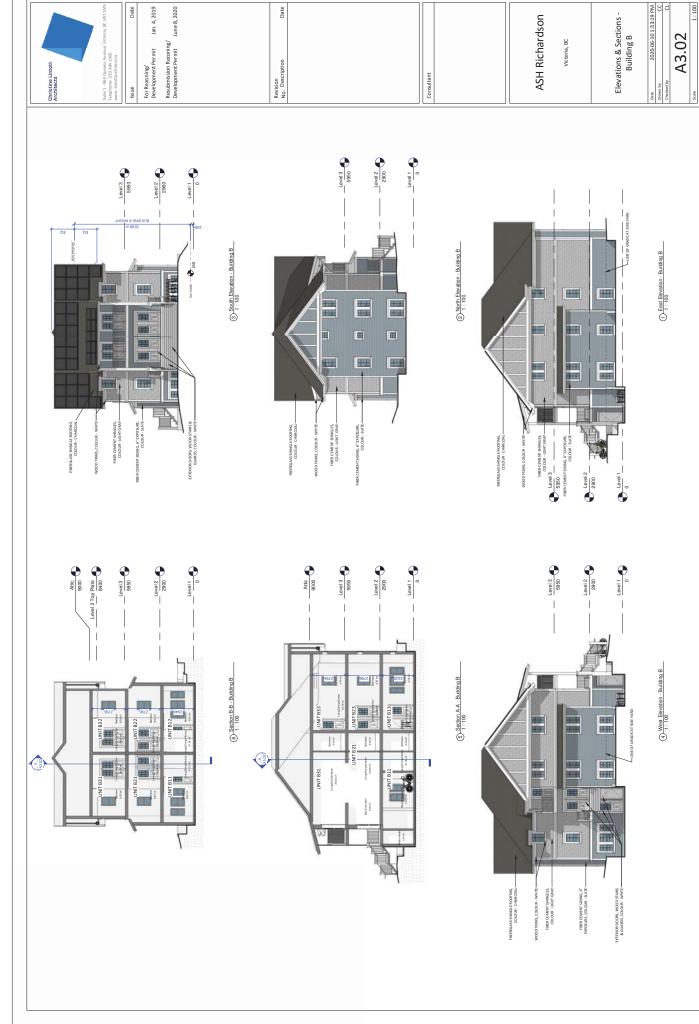
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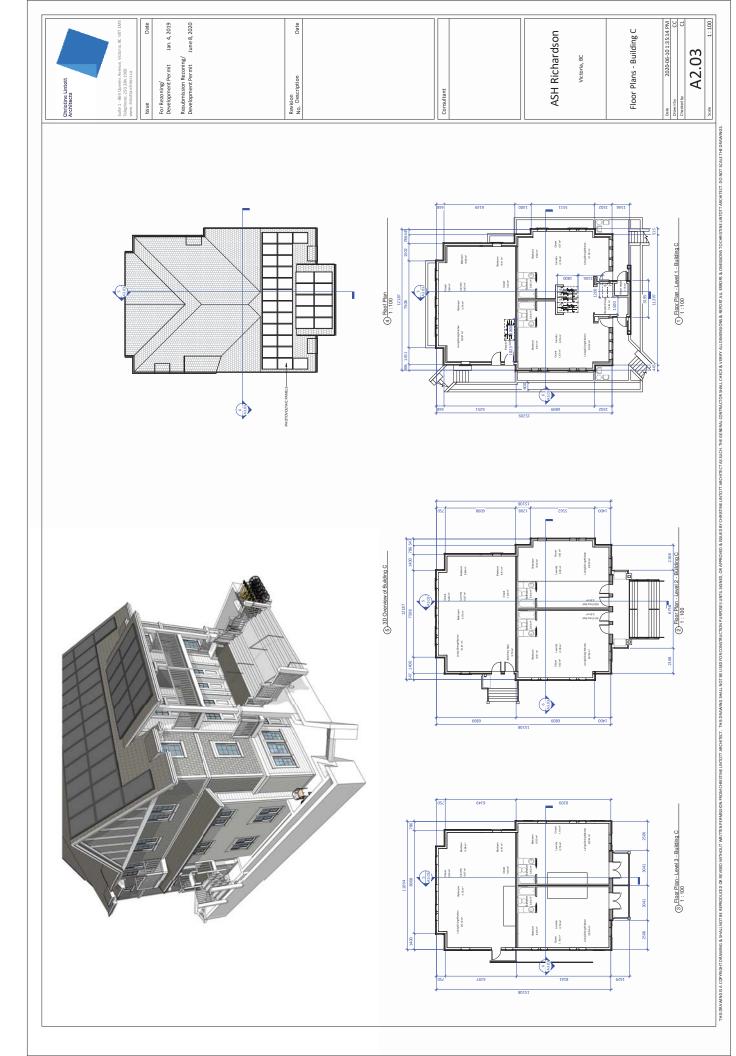


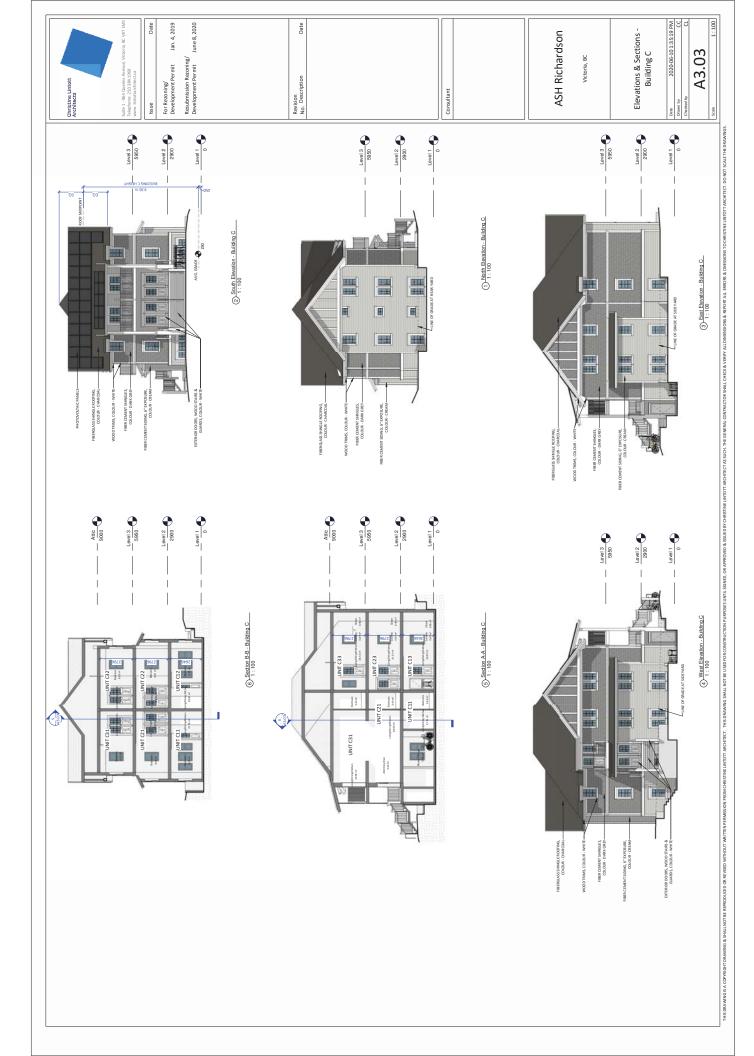


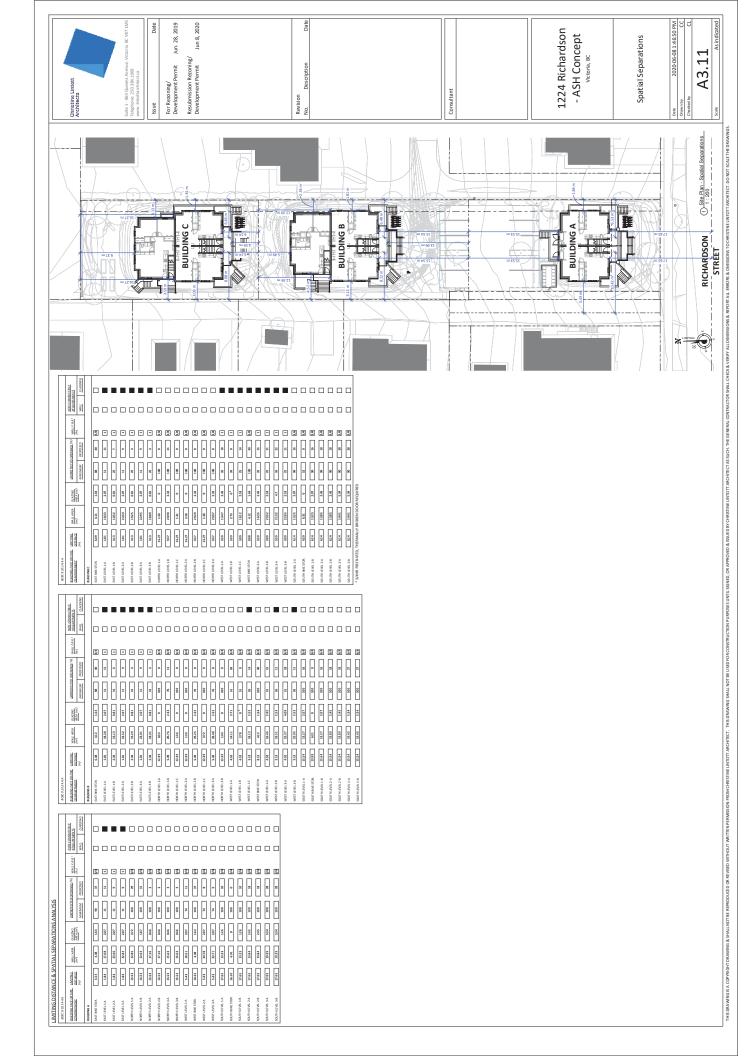




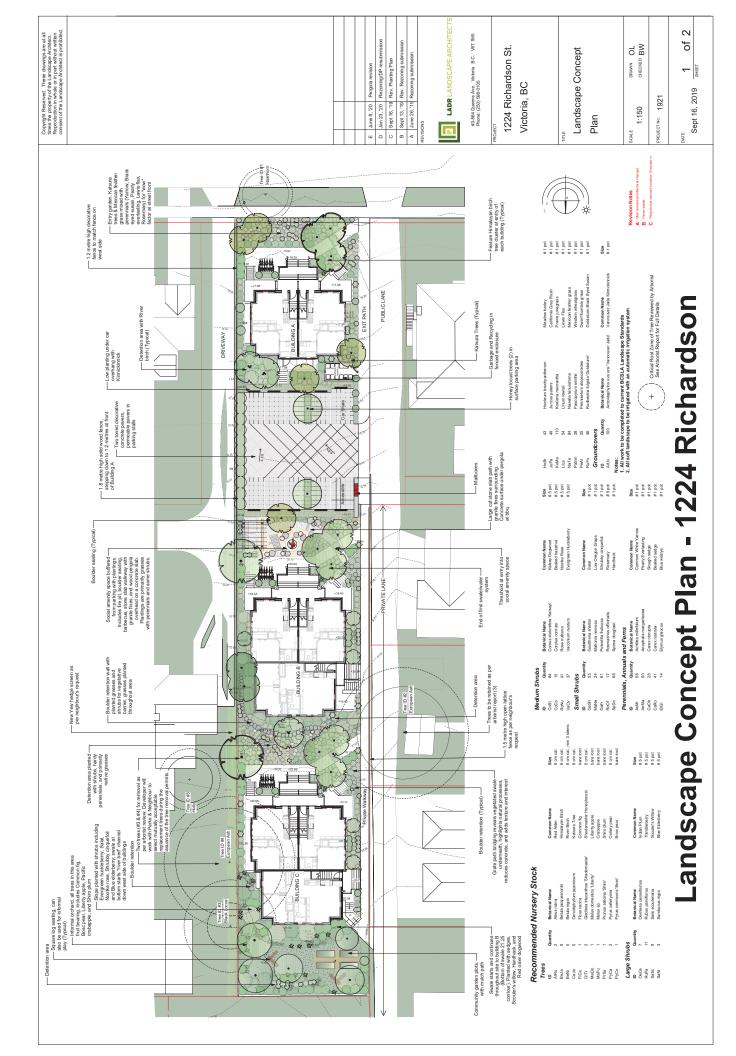
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The City of Victoria
Attention: Mayor and Council
1 Centennial Square
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RE: 1224 Richardson Street, Rezoning and Development Permit Application

Utilizing the principles and practices of gentle density, this proposal for 1224 Richardson Street envisions 24 affordable to buy, one- and two-bedroom strata units distributed in three traditionally designed house-like buildings. With the provision of modest car parking, car share services and extensive secure outdoor/indoor bike parking, this proposal also minimizes the need for and use of the automobile and better positions this neighbourhood for a sustainable future.

These units will be provided without subsidy and at densities conforming to the OCP and existing built form and character of the neighbourhood. At an average target price of \$330,000 for a new built one bedroom unit, and \$480,000 for a new built 2 bedroom unit, this pricing is substantially lower than the average one bedroom which is offered for \$482,703 and the average two bedroom unit that is offered for \$1,211,586 (see Schedule 1 attached, for MLS data, as of June 10, 2019). Further, all units in this project will meet BC Housing's definition of 'affordable housing' and 22 of 24 units will meet the City of Victoria's definition of "affordable housing'.

The proponents guarantee that the current list price will be used upon completion, or adjusted no more than the Home Price Index through the Victoria Real Estate Board, based on the market change up or down as of June 2019 until the date the properties come to market.

In addition to the at market affordability, the proponents further propose to place a covenant in perpetuity on all units: that any buyer must hold their unit for a minimum of 3 years. Should they sell their unit prior to 3 years, they will pay 50% of the difference between their purchase price and the increased sales price to the City of Victoria housing fund.

In so doing, this proposal will significantly increase the supply of affordable housing for moderate income households, and encourage diversity of housing types within the Fairfield/Rockland neighbourhood now and in the future.

Description of Proposal

The proposal seeks to remove the existing duplex structure and replace it with 3 ground oriented house-plex buildings and a surface automobile parking lot. Each unit will have its own front door. All buildings are lobby and corridor-free, making the buildings reduced in scale and effectively 100% efficient. The front building will contain 6, 1 bedroom units and the two back buildings will each contain: 6-1 bedroom units and 3-2 bedroom units for a total of 24 affordable strata ownership units. The proposal will rezone the existing R1-B "Single Family" zoned site to a site specific zone to support the proposed uses. A concurrent Development Permit will also be required. The proposal will result in increased density but with a resulting FSR of .67 and lot coverage of 31%, the density will be well within the form and character of the neighbourhood. Two existing tenants will be displaced and will be accommodated as per the City's Tenant Assistance Policy.

Government Policies

As a gentle densification approach to increasing affordable and sustainable housing options in the City, that respects the form and character of its neighbourhood, the proposed rezoning and development of 1224 Richardson is consistent with a large number of the goals and objectives of the City of Victoria's Official Community Plan, specifically:

Land Management and Development

- 6 (A). Victoria has compact development patterns that use land efficiently.
- 6.1.5 Traditional Residential consists primarily of residential and accessory uses in a wide range of primarily ground-oriented building forms including single, duplexes, townhouses and row-houses, house conversions, and low-rise multi-unit residential
- 6.2 consider the form, place character, use and density guidelines provided in Figure 8, providing finer grained policy and regulatory guidance in response to local context and development opportunity. Which for Traditional Residential Designated lands allows for an FSR up to 1.1:1

Place Making- Urban Design and Heritage

- 8 (d) That social vibrancy is fostered and strengthened through human scale design of buildings, streetscapes and public spaces.
- 8.43 Encourage high quality architecture, landscape and urban design to enhance the visual identity and appearance of the City.
- 8.44 Support new infill and building additions that respond to context through sensitive and innovative design.
- 8.45 Encourage human scale in all building designs, including low, mid-rise and tall buildings, through consideration of form, proportion, pattern, detailing and texture, particularly at street level.
- 8.48 Integrate off-street vehicle parking in a way that does not dominate development or streetscapes

Environment

10.5 Enhance the adaptive capacity of ecosystems and the urban forest to withstand climate change impacts through increasing the use and diversity of native and climate change adapted species on both public and private lands

Infrastructure

11.20 Promote sustainable site design that reduces peak runoff volumes and rainwater contaminants through elements such as on-site retention, pervious surfaces, green space, and plantings.

Climate Change and Energy

- 12.4 Continue to promote the reduction of community greenhouse gas emissions, through:
- 12.4.1 Compact land use patterns such as walkable and complete centres and villages.
- 12.4.2 Transit-oriented development
- 12.17 Continue to support and enable the private development of green buildings, subject to development control and building regulation, with features that may include but are not limited to: 12.17.1 Alternative transportation facilities; 12.17.2 Sustainable landscaping; 12.17.5 Energy efficiency technology; 12.17.6 On-site renewable energy technology; and, 12.17.8 Efficient plumbing fixtures and systems.

Government Policies continued

Housing and Homelessness

- 13 (d) That a wide range of housing choice is available within neighbourhoods to support a diverse, inclusive and multigenerational community
- 13.9 Support a range of housing types, forms and tenures across the city and within neighbourhoods to meet the needs of residents at different life stages, and to facilitate aging in place.
- 13.10 Encourage a mix of residents, including households with children, by increasing opportunities for innovative forms of ground-oriented multi-unit residential housing.
- 13.34 Promote a diversity of housing types to create more home ownership options such as multi-unit developments, the creation of small residential lots, street-oriented fee simple row-houses and other housing forms consistent with the guidelines in Figure 8.

Food Systems

17.11 Encourage the provision of gardens and other food production spaces for the use of residents in new multi-unit housing.

This lot is within the Rockland Neighbourhood and borders the Fairfield Neighbourhood. With respect to the Neighbourhood Directions for Rockland, Section 30 of the OCP, the proposal is consistent with the strategic directions which seek to "encourage a diversity of population and housing in consideration of the neighbourhood's heritage and estate character" and "continue to conserve the historic architectural and landscape character of the neighbourhood".

With respect to Fairfield, Section 21 of the OCP, the proposal is consistent with the strategic directions which seek to "maintain and enhance established character areas", and "maintain neighbourhood population to ensure to support the viability of community and commercial services and schools."

The addition of 24 residential units within the walkable Rockland/Fairfield community will also support the goals outlined in Figure 3 of the OCP, specifically, to accommodate an additional 2000 people in Victoria by 2041, in areas outside of the urban core, town centers and large urban villages.

As the project is situated in General Development Permit Area #16, the design incorporates the strategies in "Advisory Design Guidelines for Buildings, Signs and Awnings" (1981), "Design Guidelines for Attached Residential Development" (2018), and "Guidelines for Fences, Gates and Shutters" (2010), as outlined below:

- Units are oriented to the street [2018 1a) i, iv, 2]
- Units have adequate separation to support landscape and sensitive transitions to adjacent existing development and open spaces, to maximize daylight and to minimize shadowing and overlook on neighbouring properties [2018 1a) iv, 2]
- Vehicular access, circulation and parking are minimized to limit impact on fronting streets and neighbouring properties [2018 1a) vi]
- Building form, design and materials are of a high standard, enhancing the form and character of neighbouring properties and on a human scale [2018 3 1), 2)]
- Open space is enhanced to support the urban forest, provide privacy where needed, emphasize unit entrances and pedestrian accesses, reduce storm water runoff, and to ensure that front and rear yards are not dominated by parking. [2018 3 4)]

- Landscaping complements the building, is suited to local climate, and includes deciduous trees for light penetration in winter [2012, 5.1 & 5.6]
- Private open space in form of balconies provided wherever possible [2012, 5.8]
- Required parking located interior to the lot, with some paving of permeable materials [2012, 8.1.3 & 8.3]
- All proposed fencing is based on existing style to integrate into surroundings, and made of materials that will weather gracefully [2010]

Project Benefits and Amenities

The key benefits of the project – adding 24 affordable strata units, while minimizing the need for and use of the automobile— are interlinked and foundational to the proposal's ability to sensitively integrate with the neighbourhood, while providing much needed housing and adding resiliency to the City of Victoria.

Need and Demand

The proposal responds directly to a current shortage of affordable market housing, where extremely high prices have locked out many Victoria residents from home ownership. While existing zoning permits only one detached residence, the proposed rezoning would permit a total of twenty-four (24) households on the property, so that more citizens can comfortably live, work and shop within blocks of downtown Victoria. This 'gentle density' form of development offers more housing without impacting the residential character of the neighbourhood.

Neighbourhood

The context is typical of transitional urban-residential zones, with a mix of renovated heritage homes, house conversions and multi-storey apartment buildings of various ages. Many of the adjacent and neighbouring properties are already in fact larger and more densely sited than this proposal. As noted above, this proposal will help enhance this character with gentle densification infill housing.

Impacts

The configuration of the development was designed specifically to avoid visually impacting the character, and massing of the Neighbourhood. The front building is smaller to more closely match other buildings fronting Richardson Street while the rear two buildings are slightly larger to match the more closely adjacent buildings on Linden located across the lane that runs up the west side of the subject property. While the result of the proposal will be more people living on the property, care has been taken to ensure all parking is discreetly incorporated within the property, such that the availability of street parking is unaffected. The change to apartment use should not have an adverse noise impact and is complementary to the surrounding uses and buildings.

Design and Development Permit Guidelines

As the site is located within General Development Permit Area #16, there are no specific design guidelines applicable in this instance, beyond those mentioned in the Government Policies section above.

Safety and Security

The proposal acknowledges and integrates key CPTED principles to maintain and enhance safety and security. Entrances have been located for maximum visibility and directness from the street, and proposed living spaces facing all directions provide and promote passive surveillance. Short term bicycle parking will be visible from the sidewalk, and/or internal sidewalks, thus discouraging opportunities for crime. Exterior lighting will be provided at exits for safety but will also make them more secure. Along the private alley to the west of the property, fencing will be lower and see through to encourage overlook into the alleyway and minimize opportunities for negative activity such as petty crime and graffiti. Along the street, the increased proximity of the front building to the street will increase street overlook and better communicate an image of maintenance and care, further enhancing apparent street safety and comfort.

Transportation

An explicit objective of the project design has been to encourage non-automobile transportation options, such as walking, bicycling, bus and car share options, both to enhance the affordability of the development and lower its ongoing environmental impact. Nevertheless, all required off-street automobile parking requirements are still met on site, so as to minimize parking impacts to the surrounding neighbourhood. The property has a walk score of 87, considered very walkable and is within 20 minutes' walk of downtown, several shopping areas, schools, parks and recreation facilities. Additionally, this proposal will provide bicycle storage facilities in accordance with the requirements of Schedule C, (in fact, larger than required to accommodate cargo bikes and with potential to charge electric bikes). Given the project fronts on Richardson St. (a future enhanced bike route) and is proximite to Vancouver Street, access to designate bike routes is superior. The site is also within blocks of major bus routes on Cook, Richardson, Fort and Fairfield Streets with connections to the entire CRD region. Finally, as part of this development the proponents will purchase a modo carshare vehicle and provide 24 car share memberships (attached to the units). A dedicated parking spot will also be provided on site for the car share vehicle. These transportation advantages will all serve to reduce the demand for single occupancy vehicle traffic and parking.

Heritage

The existing residence is not a designated or registered heritage building. While restoration and redevelopment were considered for the building, as part of this rezoning and development, its size and character do not allow for the efficient redevelopment of the site. All efforts will be made to move and reuse the building.

Green Building Features

While the project is not seeking a third-party green building certification, it is targeting Step 3, Energy Code standards and achieves several sustainable objectives intrinsic to infill housing, namely walkable density and opportunities for comfortable compact living. Further, the buildings will be structurally designed and solar pre-plumbed to accommodate solar PV and electric vehicle charging. All plumbing fixtures will be low flow and the landscape plan includes drought resistant design and species to reduce water usage. The landscape plan also accommodates stormwater retention swales, infiltration areas and permeable pavers in some of the hard surfaces required to meet the Schedule C parking requirements to limit peak storm water runoff. The landscape features will also maximize planting areas, include space for

vegetable gardens and increase the urban forest via the net addition of 28 new trees, including a significant number of fruit trees. No excess vehicular parking is proposed, and additional short-term bicycle parking can be readily added in future. The existing building will not be retained, as it does not allow for the efficient and sensitive redevelopment of the site. The building will be moved to a suitable site if possible. If not, the building will be deconstructed to reuse as much of the building materials as possible: structural old growth fir, copper wiring, metal plumbing fixtures, etc.

Infrastructure

There is adequate public infrastructure to support the proposal. In fact, given its gentle infill nature, we believe densification will only lightly increase the load on existing infrastructure while substantially enhancing the economic and social vitality of the neighbourhood and city.

Summary

The proposed rezoning and redevelopment of 1224 Richardson St. represents a sensitive and contextually appropriate project for the Rockland/Fairfield neighbourhood. Support of the proposal will serve to add 24 affordable market strata units without need for subsidy and provide a 'gentle density' form of housing infill, which shall help enhance and sustain the community at large.

Sincerely,

Tim Stemp, Gene Miller, Dan Pringle & Harry Newton

Per,

Tim Stemp

1224 Richardson Property Corp.



Current Listings

Address	SCIs	Bd	Bth	Built	FinSF	LotSF	List\$	Sell\$	Assess\$	DoM	\$/FinSF	S/L%	L/A%
Your Property									\$0				
815-1029 View St	Con	1	1	2019	388	388	\$325,000			33	\$838		
624-1029 View St	Con	1	1	2019	441		\$325,000			40	\$737		
508-1029 View St	Con	1	1	2019	388	388	\$325,000			41	\$838		
622-1029 View St	Con	1	1	2019	441		\$349,000			40	\$791		
409-777 Herald St	Con	1	1	2020	455	1	\$374,900	3	10,097,700	101	\$824		3.7
626-1029 View St	Con	1	1	2019	441		\$379,000			40	\$859		
314-1029 View St	Con	1	1	2019	435	435	\$425,000			24	\$977		
205-989 Johnson S	Con	1	1	2019	743	743	\$460,000			45	\$619		
501-613 Herald St	Con	1	1	2018	520	562	\$465,000		\$363,200	12	\$894		128.0
E-1204-989 Johnson	Con	1	1	2019	611	611	\$480,000			45	\$786		
805-777 Herald St	Con	1	1	2020	606	1	\$485,900	3	10,097,700	101	\$802		4.8
418-1029 View St	Con	1	1	2019	624	624	\$499,000			66	\$800		
307-1628 Store St	Con	1	1	2021	562	562	\$500,000			76	\$890		
802-777 Herald St	Con	1	1	2020	556	1	\$519,900	3	10,097,700	101	\$935		5.1
531-1029 View St	Con	1	1	2019	669	669	\$594,500		\$500,000	25	\$889		118.9
305-530 Michigan	Con	1	1	2021	698		\$699,900			96	\$1,003		
304-888 Governme	Con	1	2	2020	895	895	\$998,850	;	22,641,000	89	\$1,116		4.4
Count 17 Aver	age	1.0	1.1	2019	557	452	\$482,703		\$8,966,217	57	\$859		44.2
Med	dian	1.0	1.0	2019	556	562	\$465,000	3	10,097,700	45	\$838		5.0
Minim				2018	388	1	\$325,000		\$363,200	12	\$619		3.7
Maxim	num	1.0	2.0	2021	895	895	\$998,850	3	22,641,000	101	\$1,116		128.0

Overall Summary

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Your Prope	erty						\$0			
Count 17	Average	1.0 1.1 2019	557	452	\$482,703	;	\$8,966,217	57	\$859	
	Median	1.0 1.0 2019	556	562	\$465,000	3	10,097,700	45	\$838	
	Minimum	1.0 1.0 2018	388	1	\$325,000		\$363,200	12	\$619	
	Maximum	1.0 2.0 2021	895	895	\$998,850	32	22,641,000	101	\$1,116	

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825-1628 Store St (Con	2	2	2021	1,118	1,118	\$1,025,000		79	\$917		
2104-777 Herald St 0	Con	2	2	2020	1,085	1	\$1,039,900	310,097,700	101	\$958		10.3
303-550 Michigan (0	Con	2	2	2021	1,123	1	\$1,139,900		96	\$1,015		
2102-777 Herald St 0	Con	2	2	2020	1,121	1	\$1,153,200	310,097,700	101	\$1,029		11.4
205-1201 Fort St (Con	2	2	2021	1,268	1,483	\$1,200,000	\$1,111	51	\$946		
1902-848 Yates St (Con	2	3	2020	1,385		\$1,459,900		25	\$1,054		
412-888 Governme (Con	2	3	2020	1,373	1,307	\$1,499,000		19	\$1,092		
PH8-1018 Pentrele (Con	2	3	2021	1,575	2,113	\$1,900,000	\$1,111	50	\$1,206		
311-888 Governme (Con	2	3	2020	1,710	1,710	\$2,899,900		134	\$1,696		
207-888 Governme (Con	2	3	2020	2,160	2,262	\$3,499,900		134	\$1,620		
306-888 Governme (Con	2	3	2020	2,029	2,234	\$3,599,900		134	\$1,774		
1008-777 Herald St 0	Con	2	1	2020	783	1	\$627,900	310,097,700	101	\$802		6.2
905-960 Yates St (Con	2	2	2018	860	860	\$655,000	\$476,000	26	\$762		137.6
S216-1105 Pandora (Con	2	2	2019	819	819	\$659,000		19	\$805		
W-802-989 Johnso (Con	2	2	2019	879	879	\$690,000		45	\$785		
E-706-989 Johnsor (Con	2	2	2019	837	837	\$695,000		45	\$830		
203-1201 Fort St (Con	2	2	2021	795	881	\$735,000	\$1,111	54	\$925		
N413-1105 Pandora (Con	2	2	2019	894	894	\$739,000		36	\$827		
1603-848 Yates St (Con	2	2	2020	883	883	\$739,900		13	\$838		
701-777 Herald St (Con	2	2	2020	890	1	\$746,300	310,097,700	101	\$839		7.4
2103-777 Herald St 0	Con	2	2	2020	854	1	\$755,900	310,097,700	101	\$885		7.5
1003-777 Herald St (Con	2	2	2020	929	1	\$756,900	310,097,700	101	\$815		7.5
402-848 Yates St (Con	2	2	2020	1,097		\$779,900		147	\$711		
213-530 Michigan ()	Con	2	2	2021	812	1	\$789,900	\$11,619,000	96	\$973		6.8
602-989 Johnson S (Con	2	2	2019	1,024	1,024	\$825,000		45	\$806		
311-1201 Fort St (Con	2	2	2021	896	1,057	\$899,900	\$1,111	56	\$1,004		
308-1628 Store St (Con	2	2	2021	1,143	1,143	\$985,000		74	\$862		
207-530 Michigan ()	Oth	2	2	2021	1,183	1	\$1,149,900	\$11,619,000	96	\$972		9.9
104-560 Michigan & F	RTw	2	3	2021	1,451	1	\$1,489,900	\$11,619,000	96	\$1,027		12.8
Count 29 Avera	5			2020	1,137	797	\$1,211,586	\$6,851,689	75	\$992		21.7
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SENT VIA EMAIL

July 16, 2019

Mayor and Council City of Victoria

Re: 1224 Richardson Street Rezoning Application

Dear Mayor and Council:

On Wednesday, June 19th the CALUC Community meeting for the above project was held, with a turnout of approximately 50 neighbors to consider and discuss the project.

While there was much support for the Affordable Sustainable Homes/Gentle Density concept behind the project, the general consensus was that there remained much further refinement required of the project to integrate well into the area. Of the 24 CALUC Community Meeting Feedback Forms returned, 19 opposed the development as proposed, and 5 supported it. In addition, 5 additional e-mails the Rockland Land Use committee received wrote in opposition to the project as proposed.

The greatest concern was expressed over the 8 + 2 visitor parking spaces proposed for 24 units. That concern was also stated in the majority of the Feedback Forms. It was widely expressed that it was unreasonable to think that most tenants would have no car, especially tenants with families. The neighbours expressed the concern that the streets of the neighbourhood where already oversubscribed for parking and there was no ability to absorb even more on street parking.

A corollary concern to the lack of parking was the potential impact of the increased density on the private lane siding much of the property. For many years this private lane has been used as a mixed use thru path for automobiles, bikes, and pedestrians but the Linden owners of that lane felt little was proposed to keep it safe for all. While the proponents discussed fencing, the concern was also on the impact of the addition 1224 owners using the lane as a driveway for vehicle access greatly increasing vehicle usage.

There was general support for the ASH concept but it was frequently voiced that the number of units was too great as there was not space for parking to adequately support the units. It was suggested that the number of units be reduced by including 3 bedroom units. This was viewed as a way to offset parking shortfalls as well as an important addition to the affordable housing stock available in the city.

Several suggested a more reasonable proposal would be to plan for 6 units per building complementing the existing conversions on Linden and in the general area. There was concern expressed over the size of the proposed buildings in overlook of the one storey homes immediately adjacent to the east along Richardson and it would be reasonable that the units maintain the height of the existing R1-B zoning.

At this time the RNA LUC would propose:

- 1. The size and mix of the units be reconsidered, in particular the addition of 3 bedroom units.
- 2. Additional analysis be done on all available parking resources on and off the property.
- 3. That further discussion take place to alleviate neighbor concerns about the private lane usage.

If you have any questions concerning the detail provided in this letter, please do not hesitate to contact our RNA LUC Chair, Bob June. Bob is copied here and will provide the detailed feedback referenced in this letter to you under separate cover.

Respectfully, Marc Hunter President RNA

cc: Bob June, RNA LUC Chair
Geoff Young, City of Victoria Councillor
Gary Pemberton, City of Victoria and Rockland City Liaison

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October 10, 2019

Mayor and Council:

Re: CALUC Community Meeting - 1224 Richardson Street, REZ00705

Dear Mayor and Council:

Approximately 45 attended the second CALUC Community Meeting September 17, 2019 on this proposal required by an increase in building heights. The issues raised mirrored the issue of the first meeting approximately 35 attendees.

A review of the notes accompanying shows the primary issues is the size of the project. Several voiced a concern that the buildings are too big. Several voiced concerns that there are too many units in the buildings.

There was additional concern that the units do not reflect the requirements of the community in that the units are either too small for families or that the bedroom mix does not address the need for three-bedroom housing in Victoria. There was also discussion as to whether the units provide enough value or a price point to be presented as "affordable housing."

Skepticism greeted the information that the buildings have adequate parking in their alignment with the current Schedule C Parking "Affordable" 0.20 requirements and a Modo car provision. It should be noted that the Schedule C Affordable minimum number requirement is; (affordable dwelling units secured in perpetuity through a legal agreement) Concern about available, or the unavailability, on-street parking remains high.

As the project is predicated in great part on its public transit/cycling/walkability credentials a question was raised about the future of bus service on Richardson

We have now been informed by Engineering & Public Works the Shared - All Ages & Abilities Cycling Infrastructure is being considered for this corridor and discussion is to take place on the impacts on Richardson traffic flow and on-street parking. This discussion may take place in the next several weeks and possibly provide the neighbors with good data on parking trends.

The owners of the private lane section that connects Richardson to Rockland remain concerned about safety in the lane with much higher traffic from the project anticipated.

It must be noted that there was support from some for the project as it stands and that all participants spoke in favor of seeing affordable housing. The issue is in execution, not in desirability.

Respectfully,

Marc Hunter President, RNA

CALUC Meeting Notes for 1224 Richardson September 17, 2019

Facilitator: Bob June

Note taker: Anthony Danda

Proponents: 1224 Richardson Property Corp, Tim Stemp



Proponent Presentation

Partners: Tim Stemp, Dan Pringle, Harry Newton, Gene Miller

Mr. Stemp explained that this second CALUC meeting was required to notify residents within a 200m radius as the first meeting only covered a 100 m radius.

Mr. Stemp reviewed the highlights of the presentation and the changes from the initial application.

Questions + Comments

Bill Edmonds, 715 Linden

QUESTION: How big are the suites? It's difficult to understand the value until the developer can provide a price / sq ft comparison with the market.

RESPONSE: 1 bed = 500 sq ft, 2 bed = 600 - 700 sq ft. They are comparable to what is being built today.

Bill Birney, 1215 Rockland

QUESTION: City council has backed off from anything without affordable housing. I think the development is commendable and unique. But when you negotiate with the city, do you have any intentions of converting to more expensive units?

RESPONSE: The proponents have no intention of changing the prices. They are proud to bring this needed development to the market.

Bill Edmonds, 715 Linden

QUESTION: What would be put in place to ensure no short-term rentals, e.g. Airbnb?

RESPONSE: The city regulates STRs. There is nothing we can do to limit these rentals within those regulations.

Nora McCoy, 1255 Richardson

Raised a concern about the bus route on Cook Street. The #1 comes five times a day and is on the watchlist to be cancelled, so the argument about lack of parking is weakened.

RESPONSE: There are sufficient bus routes at Cook and Fort.

Tamsen Macintosh and Peter Wells, 721 Linden

COMMENT: Expressed concerns about the height and density.

RESPONSE: There is only a very minor height variance. In fact the house on Richardson is shorter than ones around it. It is also placed over 100 ft from neighbouring buildings, which is more than Mr. Wells' property.

COMMENT: The structures could be smaller.

RESPONSE: But they wouldn't be affordable. The house is actually smaller than most on Linden.

COMMENT: The use of the <u>alleyway</u> for 24 units is concerning. Access should come off of Richardson.

RESPONSE: City staff prefer the access point in the alley.

COMMENT: Is that code?

RESPONSE: The city is treating it currently as intermodal. We have provided an additional 1.5m right of way to delineate the sidewalk from the road.

COMMENT: I don't want new housing overlooking an alley that the residents pay taxes on.

RESPONSE: Why don't you put up signs today restricting access?

Matt Drislane, 809 Linden

COMMENT: The developers are naïve to think that people won't have cars. Residents will put savings from the affordable housing into cars. Lack of parking is a very big concern.

QUESTION: Why didn't you just build 4 – 5 single family homes?

RESPONSE: We are meeting a demand in the city of Victoria for more housing.

Donna Meares, 715 Linden

QUESTION: Can you explain the affordability and how it works?

RESPONSE: ASH is a private concept where units are sold at affordable prices. If a buyer flips the property within three years, they must pay the city 10% of the profit. We are modifying our profit as an investment in affordability.

Peter Gardner, 526 Linden

QUESTION: Do you believe that less than 0.5 car / resident is reasonable?

RESPONSE: That is what the data in studies show.

QUESTION: Where will people park if it goes over the proposed amount?

Annette Ruitenbeck, 1200 Richardson

I have concerns that we must trust you to stick to affordability.

ASH is a red herring. The real concern is conversion to market housing.

Families don't fit into these tiny spaces.

RESPONSE: The intent is to sell to owners in perpetuity. It's not perfect but we're trying to balance affordability and free market. Owners should be able to take part in market uplifts.

We have said we would include a restrictive covenant that we will sell at the prices we are committing to.

Raphael Beck, 727 Linden

QUESTION: Is there a strategy to prevent people from flipping?

RESPONSE: The fact that the units are small and have no parking will always limit their value.

QUESTION: We do not want people walking down our lane. Any solutions to prevent increased vehicle / pedestrian traffic?

RESPONSE: We are configuring the driveway so drivers must turn left. You will need to manage the pedestrians in the alley.

Bruce Masterson, 707 Linden

I have 5 units with 9 cars, so the data you presented before does not match my experience.

Parking will overflow onto Linden which is already packed.

Catherine Shanker, 1255 Richardson

We can agree that there is a dearth of housing in Fairfield. There is also a dearth of 3+ bedrooms for families, for either rent or purchase.

QUESTION: At the proposed pricing, what is the profit compared to affordability?

RESPONSE: We acknowledge that we will make a profit. We are not asking for any subsidies. One just has to compare our prices to others. It's an expensive piece of land. Jukebox is significantly more expensive for comparable units. End of the day, one can't build 3 bedroom units without subsidies. And this model still allows owners to participate in the market so they may one day afford a 3 bedroom somewhere. There are even development proposals on smaller lots with more units.

Brian Kendrick, 538 Harbinger

QUESTION: Are the basement units included in the FSR?

RESPONSE: Yes

Jackie Bease, 1238 Richardson

QUESTION: Where does the proponent live?

RESPONSE: Burdett, Rockland and Fairfield

COMMENT: Construction could have an impact on small businesses.

RESPONSE: Construction should take 1 – 1.5 years

Lynn Walmsley, 815 / 821 Linden

COMMENT: I'm concerned about density. Why couldn't you have built 3 x 4 multiplexes providing affordable rents? 24 units on a lot on the lane is not feasible. I wish you could do it in 12 units. Why can't you redesign to have fewer units. I am against the density and parking.

RESPONSE: If we have less units, then the units would not be affordable. We are giving 1.5m to the city. 6m is more than enough for 2 cars to pass each other.

Kirk Bease, 1238 Richardson

Parking is already quite contentious on Richardson and this development will make it worse.

I would like to see more 2 bedrooms for 2 incomes, which fits the neighbourhood better.

Sean Leitenberg, 1618 Richardson

I support the proposal.

The proponents can't develop much less because of construction and property costs. They aren't getting rich.

This is not subsidized housing. Perhaps we need more subsidized housing.

I want to see more of this type of development. I don't want to see half the units for twice the price.

Nora McCoy, 1255 Richardson

QUESTION: Why don't you have more 2 bedroom units?

RESPONSE: 25% are 2 bedroom units. More would change the economics and hence the feasibility of the development.

Beth Barnes, 629 Harbinger

I oppose this development due to the parking, which is already a huge problem in the neighbourhood. Where will guests park? There should also be fewer units.

Bill Edmonds, 715 Linden

You should look into where people can rent parking in the neighbourhood.



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1224 Richardson St, Victoria

Construction Impact Assessment & Tree Preservation Plan

Prepared For: 1224 Richardson Property Corp

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Jobsite Property: 1224 Richardson Street, Saanich

Date of Site Visit: May 1, 2019

Site Conditions: Residential lot. No ongoing construction activity.

Summary: We anticipate Ash tree #4 (81cm DBH), located on a neighbour's property to the east, will be significantly impacted by excavation to construct building C's foundation and surrounding retaining wall. A significant portion of its crown (~50%) would also conflict with the new building. We recommend this tree be removed prior to construction. Roots from Ash #2 and Black Locust #3 (both also located on adjacent properties) are also likely to be encountered during excavation for construction of buildings B and C, respectively. We anticipate both can be retained and recommend an arborist supervise any excavation within their critical root zones and prune any severed roots back to sound tissue. Black Locust #3 will also require pruning to attain clearance from building C but we do not anticipate its health will be significantly impacted as a result.

Scope of Assignment:

- Inventory the existing bylaw protected trees and any trees on municipal or neighbouring properties that could potentially be impacted by construction or that are within three metres of the property line
- Review the proposal to demolish the existing building and construct three new buildings and a parking area
- Comment on how construction activity may impact existing trees
- Prepare a tree retention and construction damage mitigation plan for those trees deemed suitable to retain given the proposed impacts

Methodology: We visually examined the trees on the property and prepared an inventory in the attached Tree Resource Spreadsheet. No trees were tagged. Information such as tree species, DBH (1.4m), crown spread, critical root zone (CRZ), health, structure, and relative tolerance to construction impacts were included in the inventory. The by-law protected trees with their identification numbers were labelled on the attached Site Plan. The conclusions reached were based on the information provided within the attached plans from Christine Lintott Architects (dated March 2019).

Limitations: No exploratory excavations have been requested and thus the conclusions reached are based solely on critical root zone calculations and our best judgement using our experience and expertise. The location, size and density of roots are often difficult to predict without exploratory excavations and therefore the impacts to the trees may be more or less severe than we anticipate.

An underground servicing plan was not available for comment.

Summary of Tree Resource: Five trees were inventoried, none of which are on the subject property. There is one Hawthorn tree on the municipal frontage (#1) and four on adjacent properties #2-5)



Municipal Hawthorn #1 (31cm DBH below union).



Ash #2 (~75cm DBH). We could not measure this tree's DBH as it is growing through the neighbour's fence.



Black Locust #3 (left, ~60cm DBH) and Ash #4 (right, 81cm DBH). These trees are both growing within 1m of the fence. We did not measure the DBH of #3 as it is located on the neighbour's property. The DBH of #4 was provided by City of Victoria Parks.



Black Locust #3 (left) had some dieback and large deadwood but is in fair health. The existing garage on the subject property is located within this tree's CRZ. Ash #4 has some dieback and is in fair health.



Holly #5 (~40cm DBH). We did not measure the DBH of this tree as it is located on the neighbour's property.

Trees to be Removed: We anticipate one tree, Ash #4 (81cm DBH), will require removal as a result of the excavation to construct building C. The lower floor of the building, which will be constructed below the existing grade, and the surrounding retaining wall will likely require excavation to the east property line. The tree is approximately 0.5m from the fence. We anticipate large, structural roots will be encountered, resulting in significant health and structural impacts. In addition, about half of the tree's crown would have to be pruned for building clearance and would likely require entire limbs to be removed. Therefore, we recommend the tree be removed prior to construction. If the neighbour wishes to retain this tree, we anticipate the risk associated with whole tree failure will increase considerably. The neighbour should be notified of the proposed impacts to their tree. This tree is bylaw protected.

Potential Impacts on Trees to be Retained and Mitigation Measures

- Ash #2 (~75cm DBH) is located across the driveway west of the subject property and is approximately 5.5m from the northwest corner of the retaining wall surrounding building B. Less than one-quarter of this tree's CRZ will be impacted and we do not anticipate its health will be impacted. We recommend the project arborist prune any roots encountered back to sound tissue at the edge of excavation. We were unable to measure this tree as there it is growing through a neighbour's fence and is conflicting with a garage roof. It may be by-law protected (80cm DBH or greater).
- **Black Locust** #3 (~60cm DBH) is also located next to the east fence line but is approximately 3m from the northeast building corner. To minimize root loss, we recommend limiting the extent of excavation at the northwest corner of building C. If excavation occurs 1m outside the building footprint, we anticipate less than one-quarter of this tree's CRZ will be impacted. Large roots (>3cm in diameter) will likely be encountered, which may exacerbate this tree's already declining health condition. We recommend the project arborist supervise all excavation within this tree's CRZ and prune any roots encountered back to sound tissue at the edge of excavation.

Crown pruning will also be required to attain building clearance. This tree is growing asymmetrically away from the adjacent ash tree, which limits the number of conflicting limbs. There appear to be suitable laterals to prune back to, and we anticipate the largest branches that will have to be removed are about 4cm in diameter. It should be noted that this tree is already in fair to poor health condition. Depending on the number and size of roots encountered, the root loss and crown pruning may expedite this tree's decline. It may be prudent to remove this tree and plant young, well-structured replacement trees. The neighbour should be notified of the proposed impacts to their tree. This tree is not by-law protected.

- **Driveway:** We do not anticipate any trees will be impacted by construction of the proposed common driveway or parking area.
- Underground Services: An underground site servicing plan was not available for comment. Based on discussions with the applicant, the underground services will likely either be run down the west or east sides of the property. There is a sanitary sewer ROW on the west side

of the property. If underground services are run down the west side of the property, excavation will likely be required within the CRZ of Ash #2, potentially resulting in significant impacts if roots are damaged or severed. If they are aligned on the east side of the property, excavation may occur within the CRZ of municipal Hawthorn #1. Alternative excavation techniques (e.g. hydro-vac, air-spade, or a combination of machine and hand-digging) would likely be recommended in each case. We recommend the project arborist review the site servicing plan once it becomes available to evaluate the potential impacts to trees to be retained and recommend mitigation measures.

- **Arborist Supervision**: All excavation occurring within the critical root zones of protected trees should be completed under supervision by the project arborist. Any severed roots must be pruned back to sound tissue to reduce wound surface area and encourage rapid compartmentalization of the wound. In particular, the following activities should be completed under the direction of the project arborist:
 - Excavation within the CRZs of Ash #2 and Black Locust #3 for construction of buildings B and C
 - Any excavation within the CRZ of trees to be retained for the installation of underground services
- Barrier Fencing: The areas surrounding the trees to be retained should be isolated from the construction activity by erecting protective barrier fencing. Where possible, the fencing should be erected at the perimeter of the critical root zones. The barrier fencing must be a minimum of 4 feet in height, of solid frame construction that is attached to wooden or metal posts. A solid board or rail must run between the posts at the top and the bottom of the fencing. This solid frame can then be covered with plywood, or flexible snow fencing. The fencing must be erected prior to the start of any construction activity on site (i.e. demolition, excavation, construction), and remain in place through completion of the project. Signs should be posted around the protection zone to declare it off limits to all construction related activity. The project arborist must be consulted before this fencing is removed or moved for any purpose.
- **Minimizing Soil Compaction:** In areas where construction traffic must encroach into the critical root zones of trees to be retained, efforts must be made to reduce soil compaction where possible by displacing the weight of machinery and foot traffic. This can be achieved by one of the following methods:
 - Installing a layer of hog fuel or coarse wood chips at least 20 cm in depth and maintaining it in good condition until construction is complete.
 - Placing medium weight geotextile cloth over the area to be used and installing a layer of crushed rock to a depth of 15 cm over top.
 - Placing two layers of 19mm plywood.
 - Placing steel plates.
- **Demolition of the Existing Building:** The demolition of the existing house and any services that must be removed or abandoned, must take the critical root zone of the trees to be retained into account. If any excavation or machine access is required within the critical root zones of

trees to be retained, it must be completed under the supervision and direction of the project arborist. If temporarily removed for demolition, barrier fencing must be erected immediately after the supervised demolition.

- **Mulching**: Mulching can be an important proactive step in maintaining the health of trees and mitigating construction related impacts and overall stress. Mulch should be made from a natural material such as wood chips or bark pieces and be 5-8cm deep. No mulch should be touching the trunk of the tree. See "methods to avoid soil compaction" if the area is to have heavy traffic.
- Blasting: Care must be taken to ensure that the area of blasting does not extend beyond the
 necessary footprints and into the critical root zones of surrounding trees. The use of small lowconcussion charges and multiple small charges designed to pre-shear the rock face will reduce
 fracturing, ground vibration, and overall impact on the surrounding environment. Only
 explosives of low phytotoxicity and techniques that minimize tree damage should be used.
 Provisions must be made to ensure that blasted rock and debris are stored away from the critical
 root zones of trees.
- Scaffolding: This assessment has not included impacts from potential scaffolding including canopy clearance pruning requirements. If scaffolding is necessary and this will require clearance pruning of retained trees, the project arborist should be consulted. Depending on the extent of pruning required, the project arborist may recommend that alternatives to full scaffolding be considered such as hydraulic lifts, ladders or platforms. Methods to avoid soil compaction may also be recommended (see "Minimizing Soil Compaction" section).
- Landscaping and Irrigation Systems: The planting of new trees and shrubs should not damage the roots of retained trees. The installation of any in-ground irrigation system must take into account the critical root zones of the trees to be retained. Prior to installation, we recommend the irrigation technician consult with the project arborist about the most suitable locations for the irrigation lines and how best to mitigate the impacts on the trees to be retained. This may require the project arborist supervise the excavations associated with installing the irrigation system. Excessive frequent irrigation and irrigation which wets the trunks of trees can have a detrimental impact on tree health and can lead to root and trunk decay.
- **Arborist Role:** It is the responsibility of the client or his/her representative to contact the project arborist for the purpose of:
 - Locating the barrier fencing
 - Reviewing the report with the project foreman or site supervisor
 - Locating work zones, where required
 - Supervising any excavation within the critical root zones of trees to be retained
 - Reviewing and advising of any pruning requirements for machine clearances
- **Review and Site Meeting**: Once the project receives approval, it is important that the project arborist meet with the principals involved in the project to review the information contained herein. It is also important that the arborist meet with the site foreman or supervisor before any

site clearing, tree removal, demolition, or other construction activity occurs and to confirm the locations of the tree protection barrier fencing.

Please do not hesitate to call us at (250) 479-8733 should you have any further questions.

Thank you,

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Encl. 1-page tree resource spreadsheet, 1-page site survey, 12-page site and building plans, 1-page barrier fencing specifications, 2-page tree resource spreadsheet methodology and definitions

Disclosure Statement

Arborists are professionals who examine trees and use their training, knowledge and experience to recommend techniques and procedures that will improve their health and structure or to mitigate associated risks.

Trees are living organisms, whose health and structure change, and are influenced by age, continued growth, climate, weather conditions, and insect and disease pathogens. Indicators of structural weakness and disease are often hidden within the tree structure or beneath the ground. It is not possible for an Arborist to identify every flaw or condition that could result in failure or can he/she guarantee that the tree will remain healthy and free of risk.

Remedial care and mitigation measures recommended are based on the visible and detectable indicators present at the time of the examination and cannot be guaranteed to alleviate all symptoms or to mitigate all risk posed.

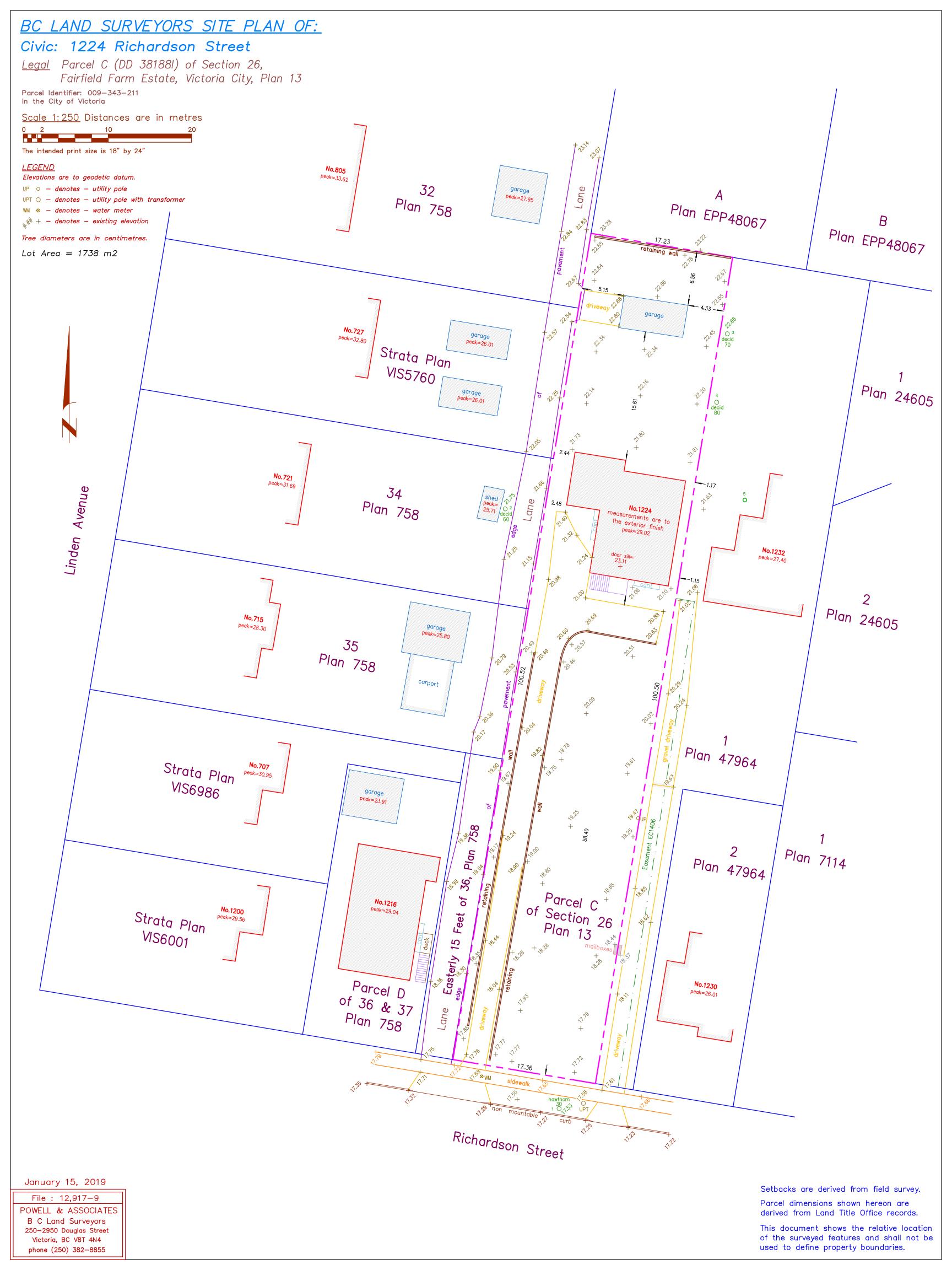
Tree Resource Spreadsheet

Tree ID	Common Name	Latin Name	DBH (cm) ~ approximate	Crown Spread (m)	CRZ (m)	Relative Tolerance	Health	Structure	Remarks and Recommendations	By-Law Protected
1	Hawthorn	Crataegus oxycantha	31 below unions	6	3.5	Moderate	Poor	Fair/poor	Municipal tree (ID: 21386), significant dieback	N (Municipal)
2	European Ash	Fraxinus excelsior	~75	12	8.5	Moderate	Fair	Fair	Neighbour's tree, ~4m from property line, growing on far edge of laneway through fence, cracks in driveway, dieback, 2nd stem may have been pruned historically, large pruning wounds, overhangs to near property line (may be by-law protected)	
3	Black Locust	Robinia pseudoacacia	~60	10	6.0	Good	Fair	Fair	Neighbour's tree, next to fence, asymmetric crown due to competition with ash, dieback, large deadwood, overhangs ~3.5m	N (Neighbour's)
4	European Ash	Fraxinus excelsior	81	14	8.5	Moderate	Fair	Fair	Neighbour's tree, 0.5m from fence, some dieback	N (Neighbour's)
5	Holly	Ilex spp.	~40	6	4.0	Good	Good	Fair	Neighbour's tree, >3m from property line	(Neighbour's)

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1224 Richardson Street



Project Scope:

- Demolition of two (2) existing buildings and sitework

- New landscaping and paved entry sidewalks

- New construction of three (3) buildings at three storeys each

- Photovoltaic (PV) panels on building roofs and parking lot canopy

- New surface parking lot with ten (10) total stalls and Photovoltaic (PV) canopy



Project Area Tables:

Building A	Floor Area - Zoning
Name	Area
Electrical	2 m
Mechanical	1 m
Unit 1A	40 m
Unit 1B	40 m
Unit 2A	42 m
Unit 2B	42 m
Unit 3A	45 m
Unit 3B	45 m
	258 m

	258 m ²
Building B	Floor Area - Zoning
Name	Area
Mechanical	1 m
Unit 1A	41 m
Unit 1B	41 m
Unit 1C	61 m
Unit 2A	42 m
Unit 2B	42 m
Unit 2C	61 m
Unit 3A	45 m
Unit 3B	45 m
Unit 3C	69 m
	448 m

Duilding C	Clear Area Zanina
Building C	Floor Area - Zoning
Name	Area
Unit 1A	41 m
Unit 1B	40 m ²
Unit 1C	60 m ²
Unit 2A	44 m
Unit 2B	43 m
Unit 2C	61 m
Unit 3A	45 m
Unit 3B	45 m ²
Unit 3C	70 m ²
	450 m

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	Proposed	
Zone	NEW ZONE	
Site Area	1,738.22 m²	
Total Floor Area ¹	1,157m²	
Commercial Floor Area	N/A	
Floor Space Ratio	0.67:1	
Site Coverage %	31%	
Open Site Space %	56%	
Height of Buildings ²	Building A = 9.40m Building B = 10.08	Bm Building C = 9.95m
Storeys #	3 storeys	
Parking Stalls #	0.2 per unit ($<45m^2$) x 18 => 3.6 0.5 per unit ($>45m^2$ and $<\underline{7}0m^2$) x 6 => 3.0 Visitor = 0.1 per unit x 24 => 2.4 Total required: 9	10 spaces proposed
Bicycle Parking #	Long Term: 1 space per unit that is (<45m²) => 18 1.25 spaces per dwelling unit that is (>45m²) => 7.5 Short Term: 6 spaces per building x 3 buildings => 18	26 Long Term Spaces proposed 18 Short Term Spaces proposed
Building Setbacks	Proposed	
Front Yard (South)	7.09m	
Rear Yard (North)	9.35m	
Side Yard (East)	1.81m	
Side Yard (West)	3.09m	
Residential Use Deta	ails	
Total Number of Units	24	
Unit Type Breakdown	18 one-bedroom units, 6 two-bedroom ur	iits
Ground Oriented Units	24 residential units	
Minimum Unit Floor Area	40m²	

 $^{\mathrm{1}}$ Long term bicycle parking not included in area calculation per zoning bylaw amendment 18-017.

² Refer to elevation drawings for height calculations. See A1.02 for average grade calculations.

- Twenty four (24) total Affordable Housing units: six (6) two-bedroom units, eighteen (18) one-bedroom units

- Short-term and long-term bicycle parking provided: eighteen (18) short-term stalls, twenty-six (26) long-term stalls

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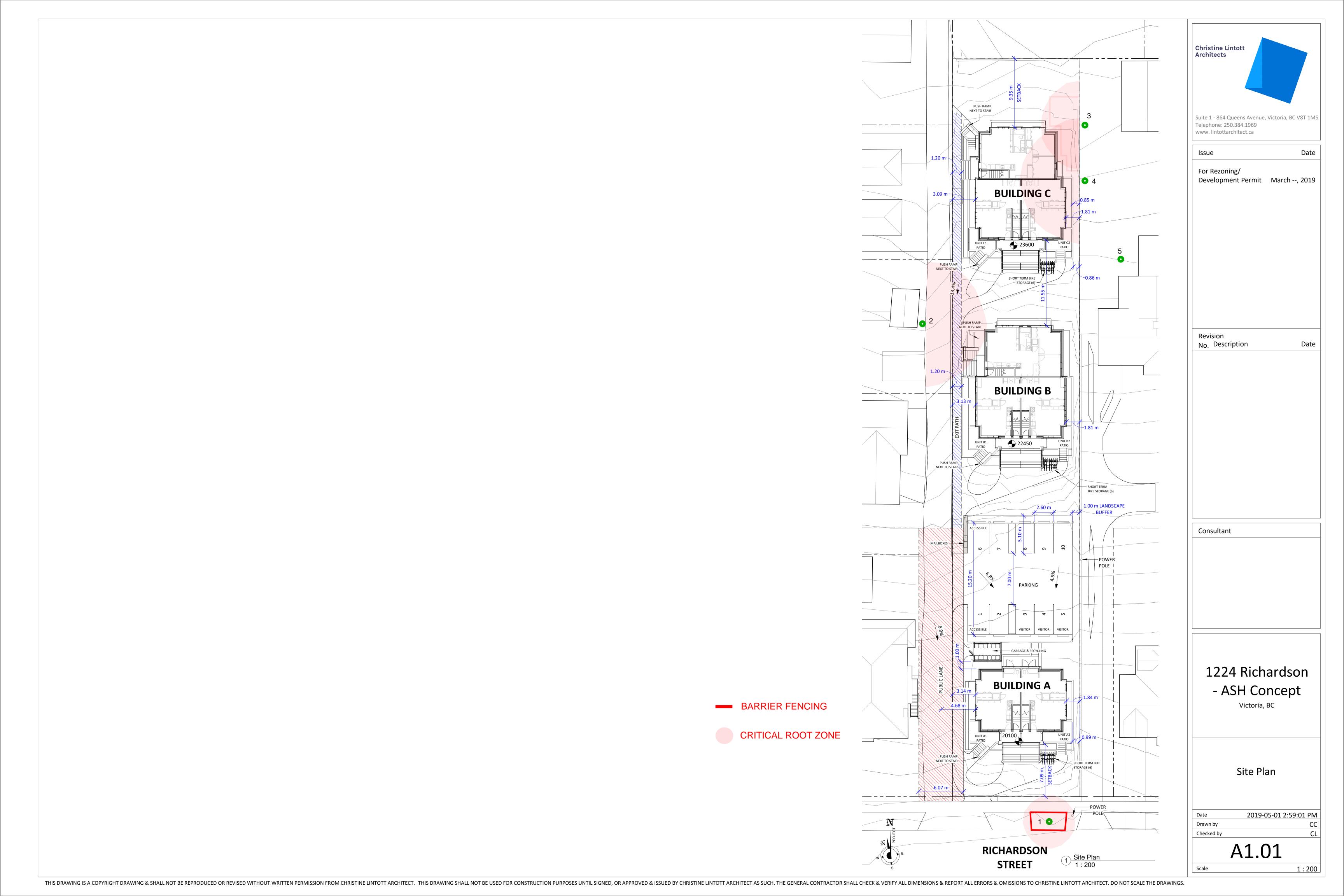
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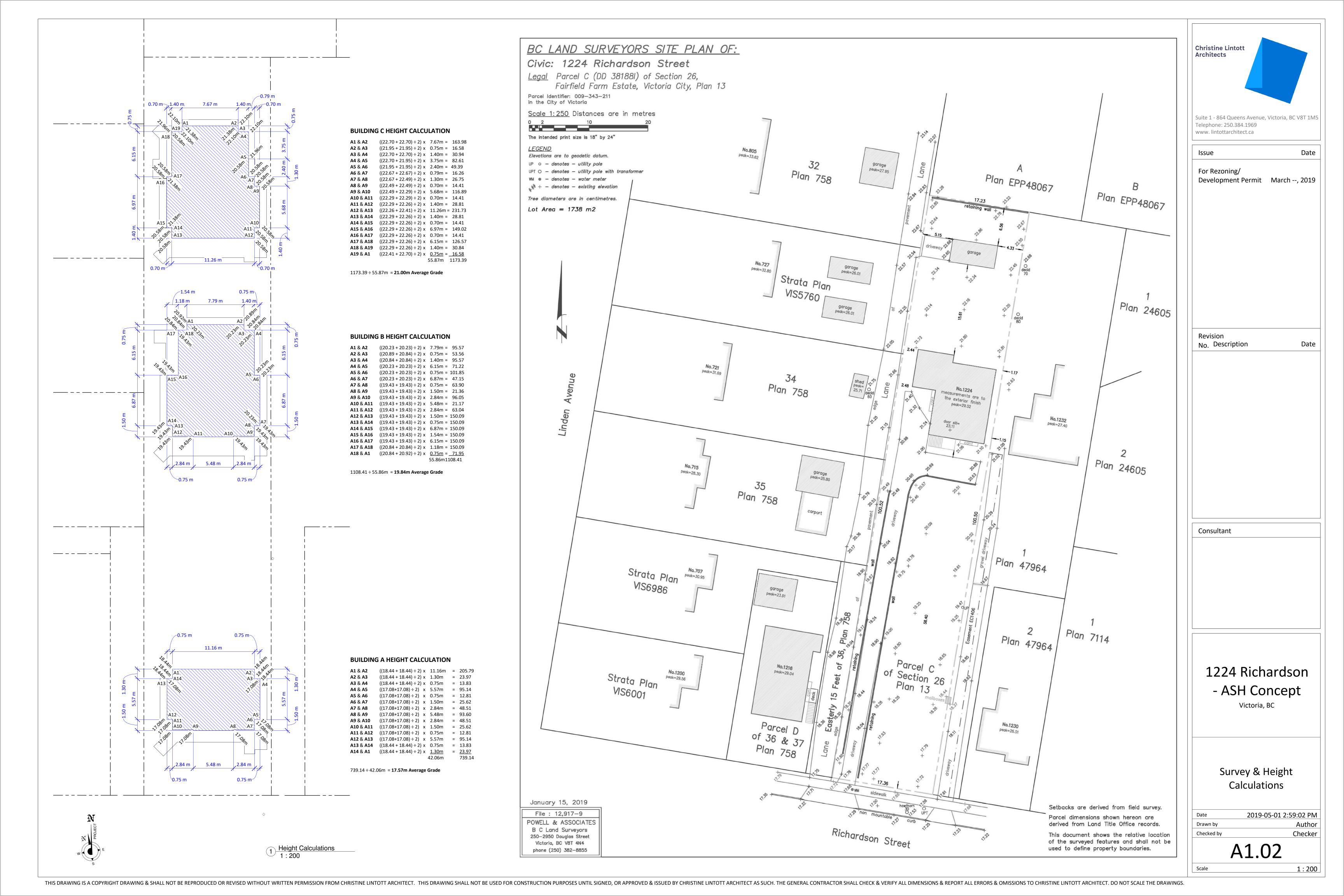
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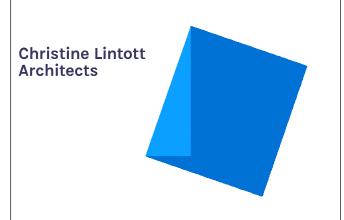
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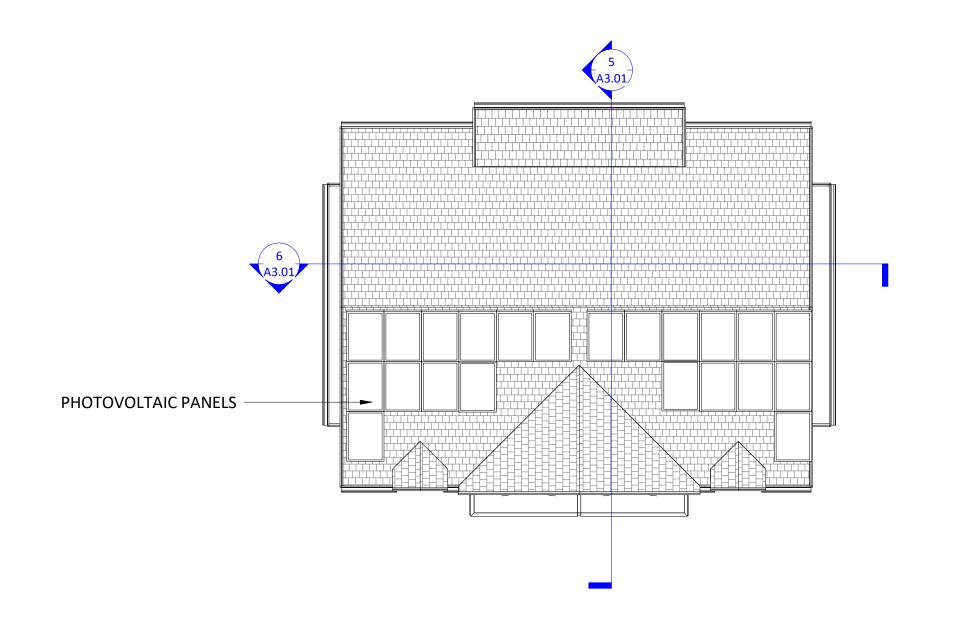
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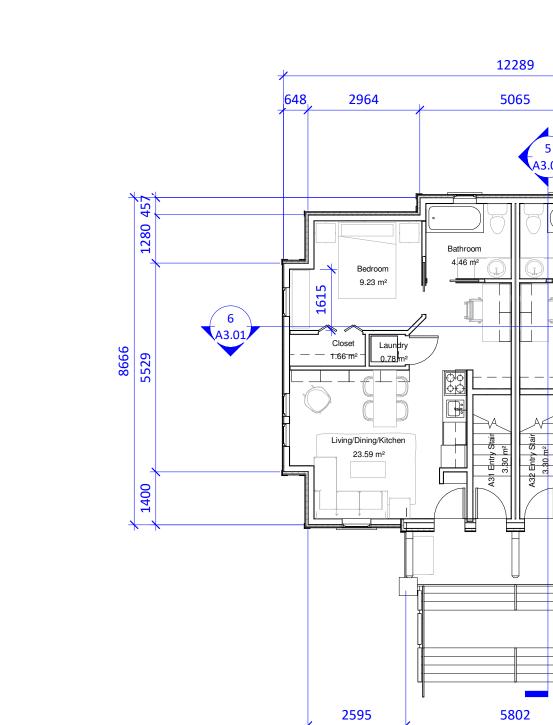
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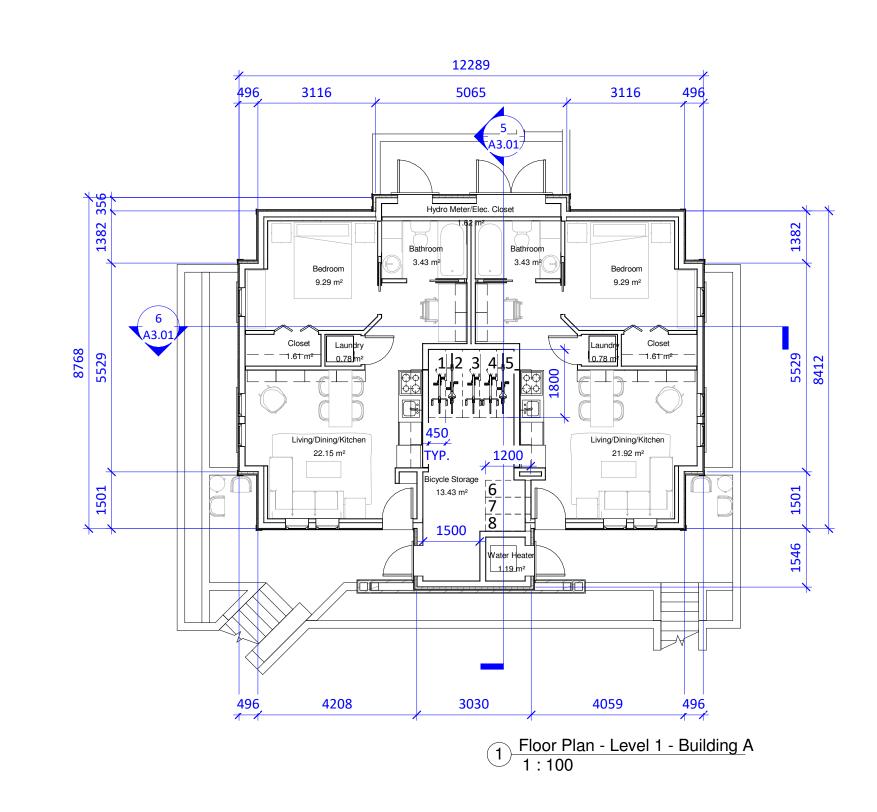
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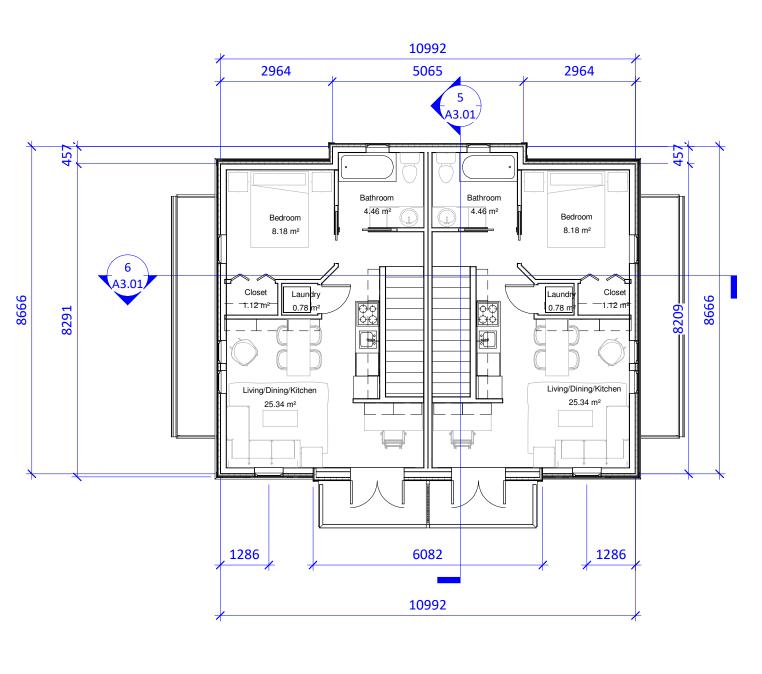








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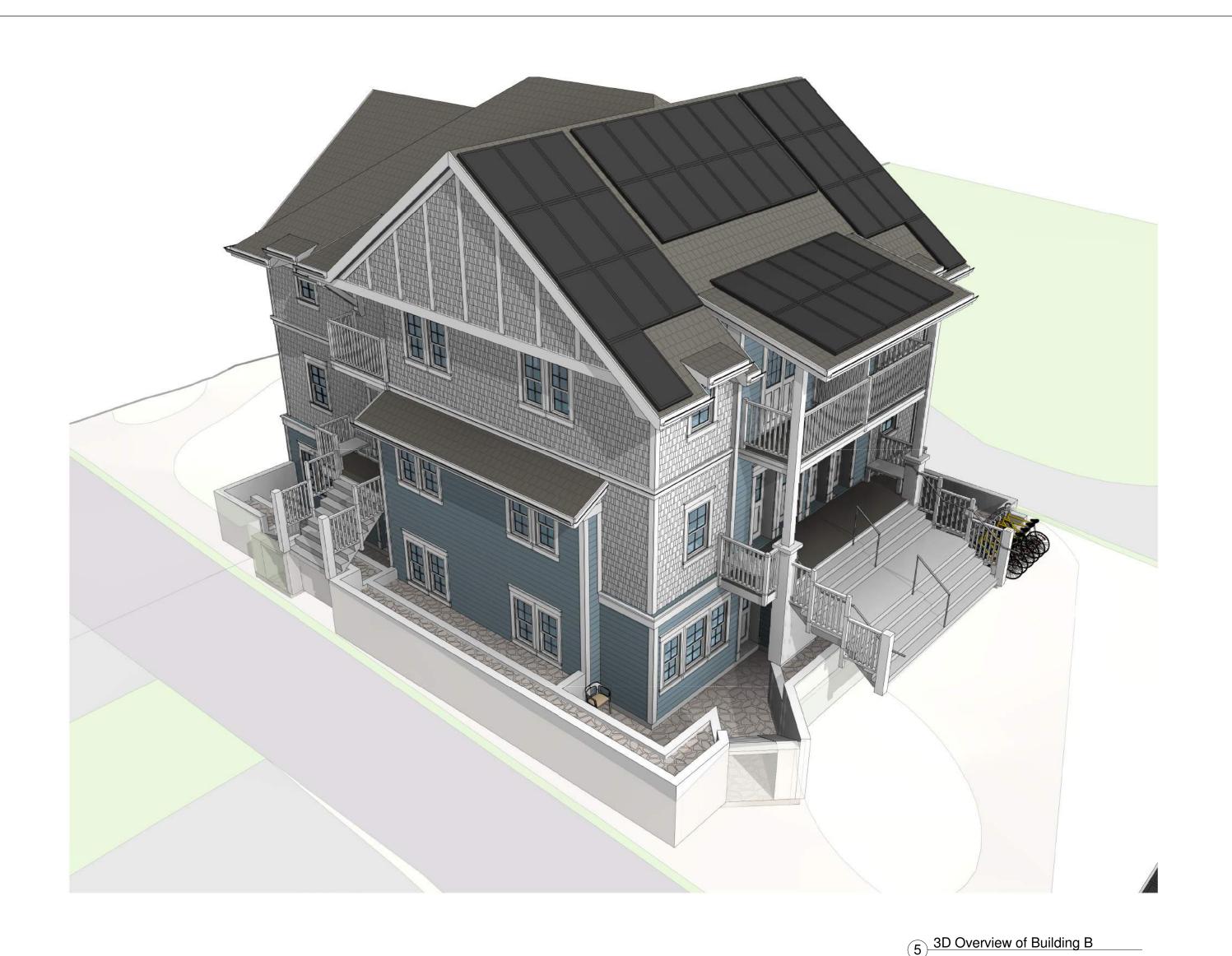
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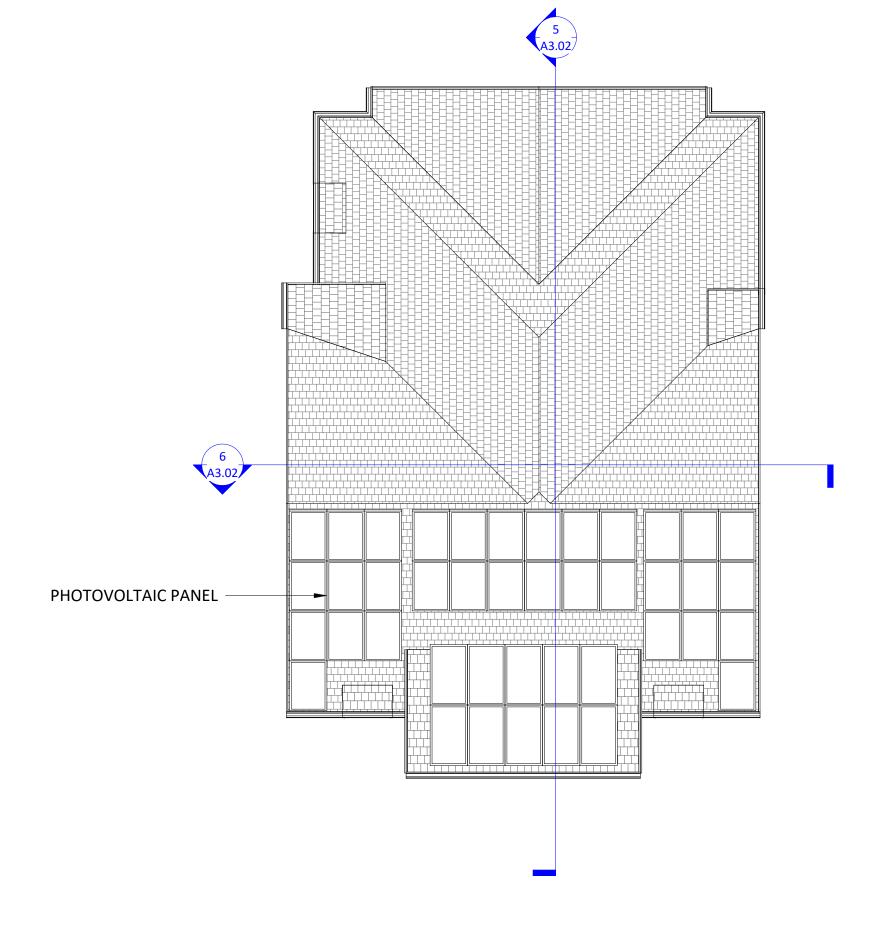
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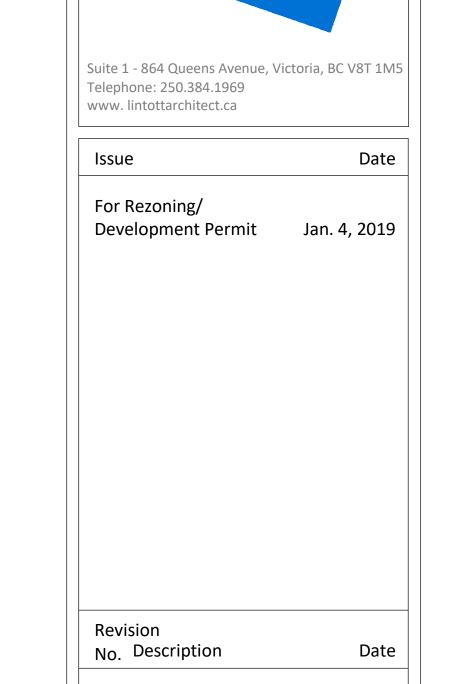
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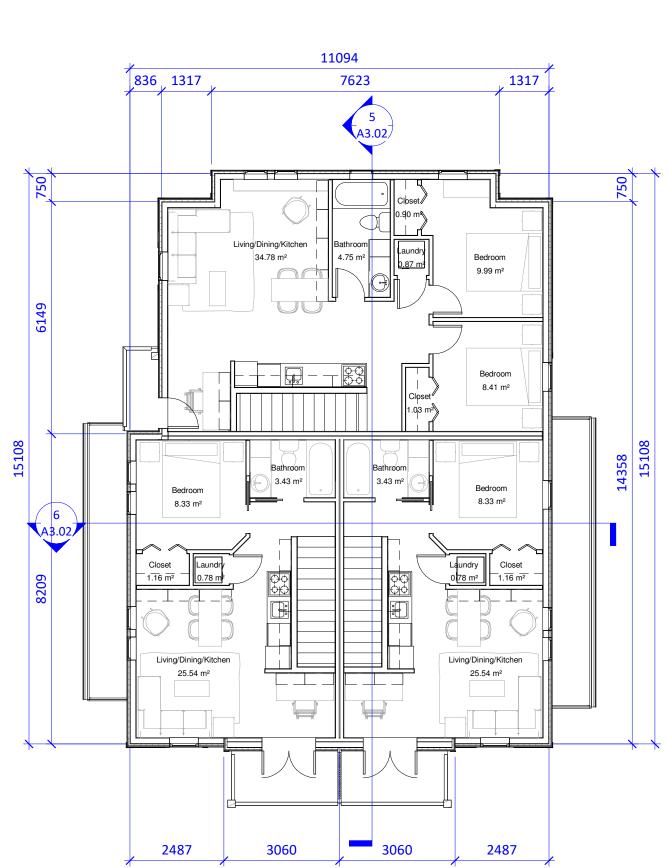
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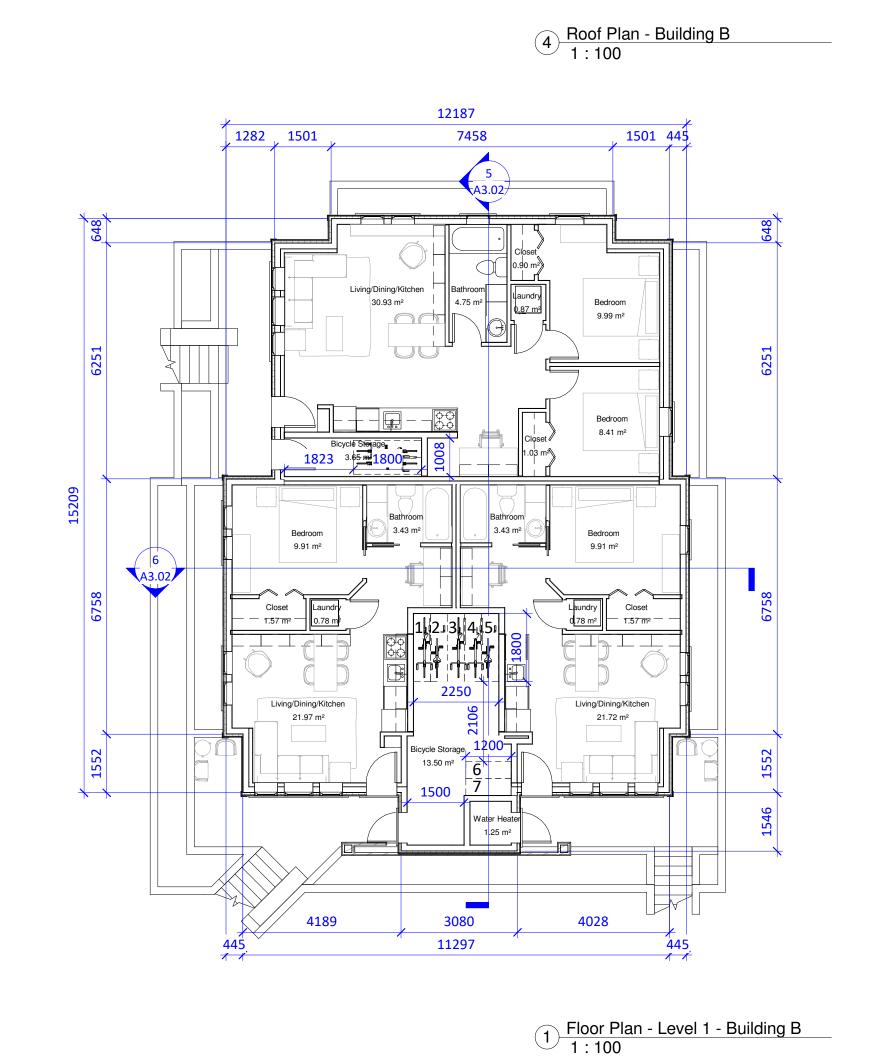






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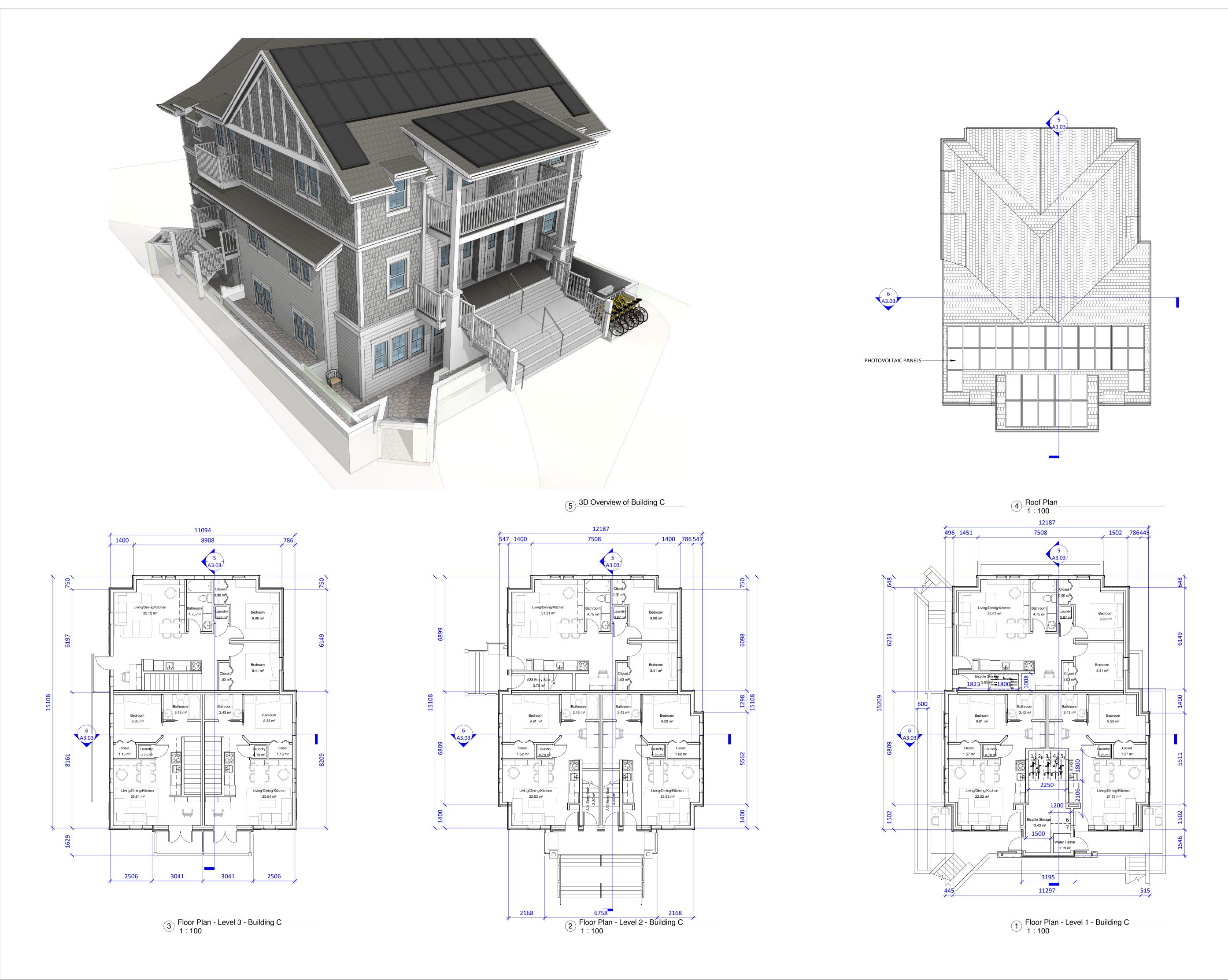
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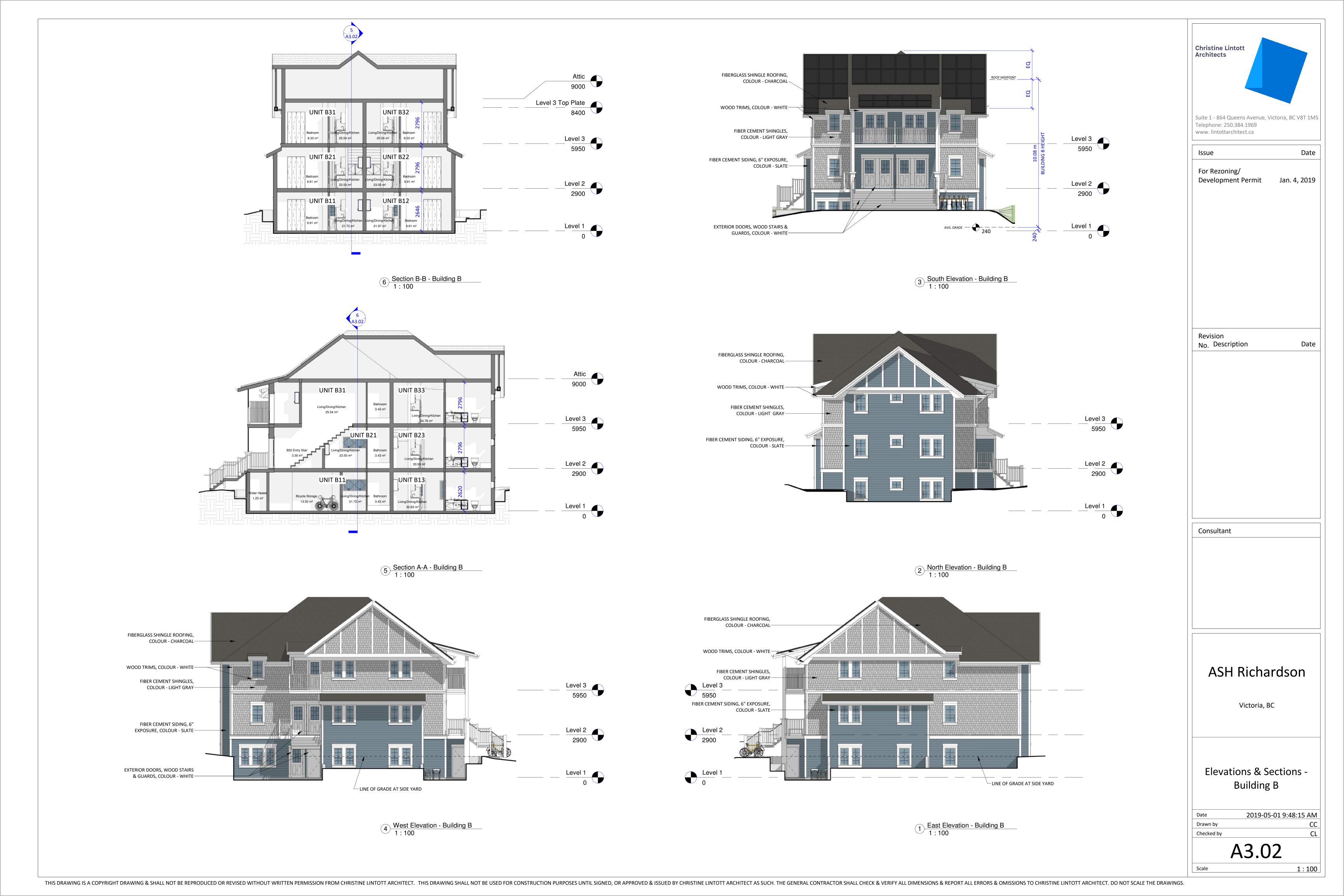
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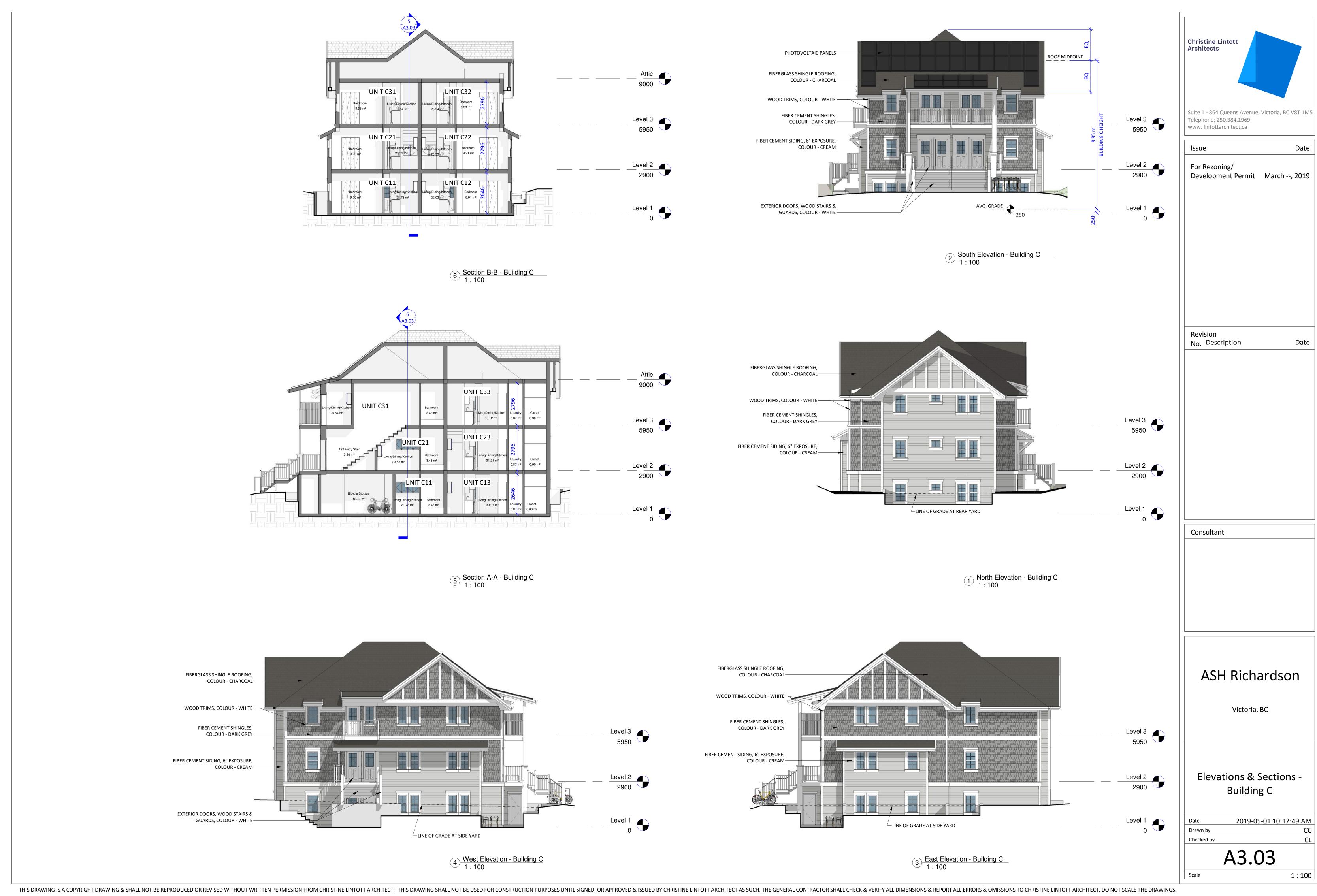
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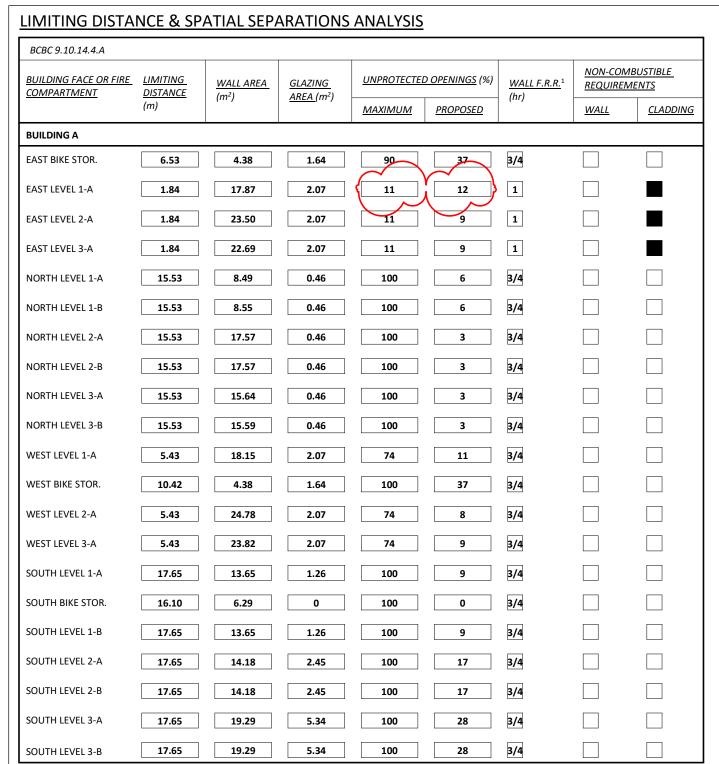
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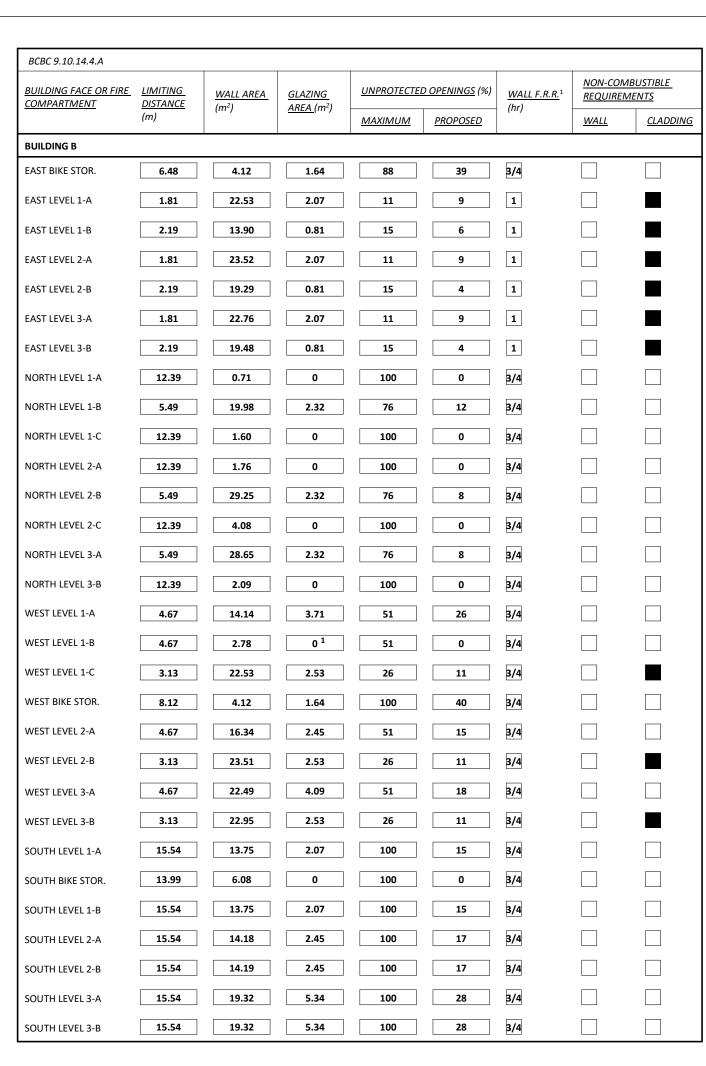
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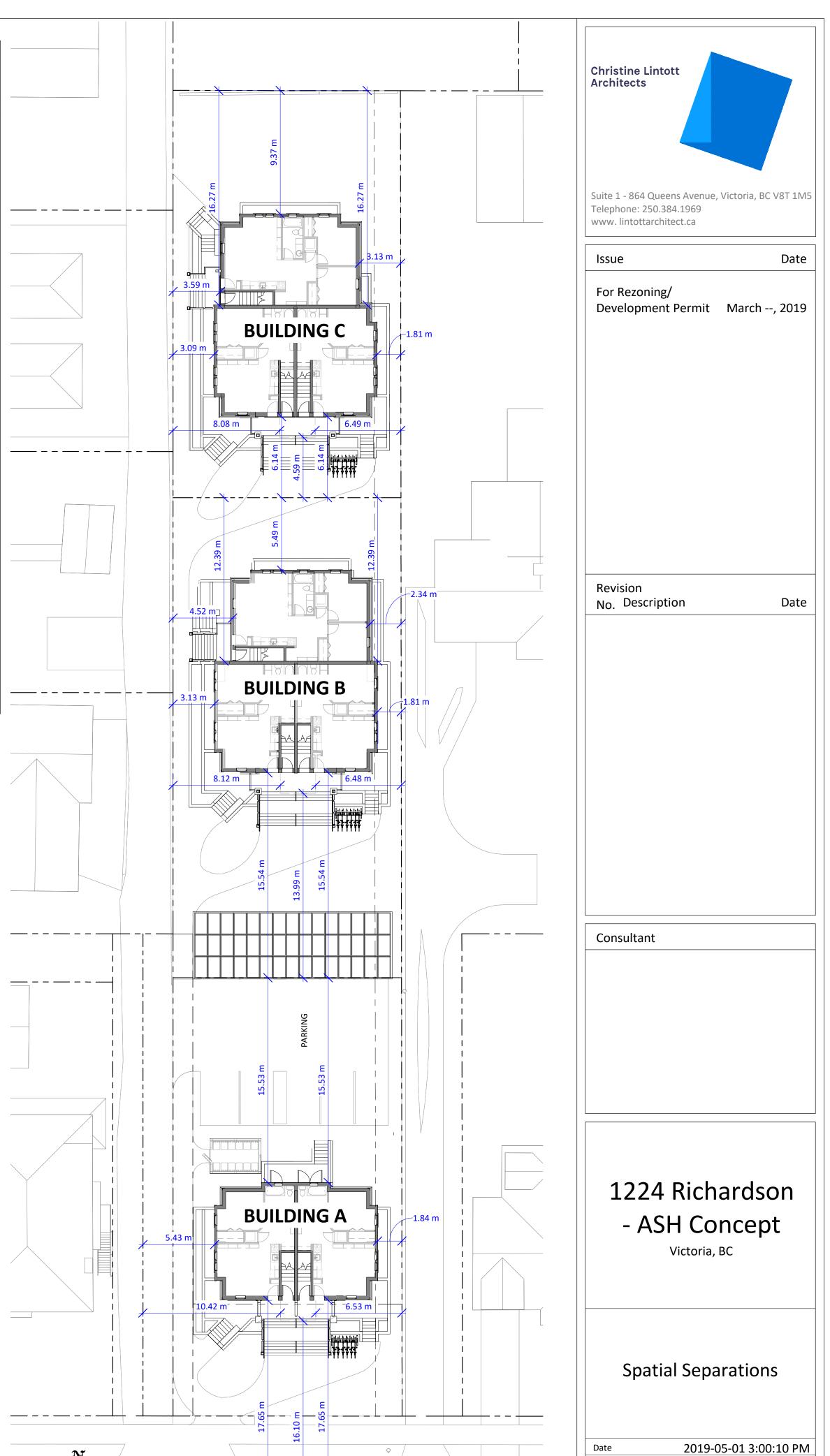








BUILDING FACE OR FIRE	DICTANICE	WALL AREA (m²)		UNPROTECTED OPENINGS (%)		WALL F.R.R. ¹	NON-COMBUSTIBLE REQUIREMENTS	
	(m)	(111)	AREA (m²)	MAXIMUM	<u>PROPOSED</u>	(hr)	WALL	CLADDIN
BUILDING C			ı					
EAST BIKE STOR.	6.49	4.26	1.64	88	39	3/4		
EAST LEVEL 1-A	1.81	22.48	2.07	11	9	1		
EAST LEVEL 1-B	2.98	10.40	0.81	25	8	1		
EAST LEVEL 2-A	1.81	23.47	2.07	11	9	1		
EAST LEVEL 2-B	2.98	19.38	0.81	25	4	1		
EAST LEVEL 3-A	1.81	22.63	2.07	11	9	1		
EAST LEVEL 3-B	2.98	17.97	0.81	25	4	1		
NORTH LEVEL 1-A	16.27	1.69	0	100	0	3/4		
NORTH LEVEL 1-B	9.37	19.80	2.32	100	12	3/4		
NORTH LEVEL 1-C	16.27	0.77	0	100	0	3/4		
NORTH LEVEL 2-A	16.27	4.10	0	100	0	3/4		
NORTH LEVEL 2-B	9.37	29.10	2.32	100	8	3/4		
NORTH LEVEL 2-C	16.27	1.90	0	100	0	3/4		
NORTH LEVEL 3-A	9.37	29.36	2.32	100	8	3/4		
WEST LEVEL 1-A	3.74	13.62	2.45	35	18	1		
WEST LEVEL 1-B	3.74	2.73	0 1	35	0	1		
WEST LEVEL 1-C	3.09	22.39	2.53	25	11	1		
WEST BIKE STOR.	8.08	4.26	1.64	100	39	3/4		
WEST LEVEL 2-A	3.74	16.30	2.45	35	15	1		
WEST LEVEL 2-B	3.09	23.52	2.53	25	11	1		
WEST LEVEL 3-A	3.74	21.03	2.45	35	12	1		
WEST LEVEL 3-B	3.09	22.62	2.53	25	11	1		
SOUTH LEVEL 1-A	6.14	13.65	2.07	90	15	3/4		
SOUTH BIKE STOR.	4.59	6.29	0	52	0	3/4		
SOUTH LEVEL 1-B	6.14	13.65	2.07	90	15	3/4		
SOUTH LEVEL 2-A	6.14	14.21	2.45	90	17	3/4		
SOUTH LEVEL 2-B	6.14	14.21	2.45	90	17	3/4		
SOUTH LEVEL 3-A	6.14	19.44	5.34	90	27	3/4		
SOUTH LEVEL 3-B	6.14	19.44	5.34	90	27	3/4		



RICHARDSON

STREET

Site Plan - Spatial Separations

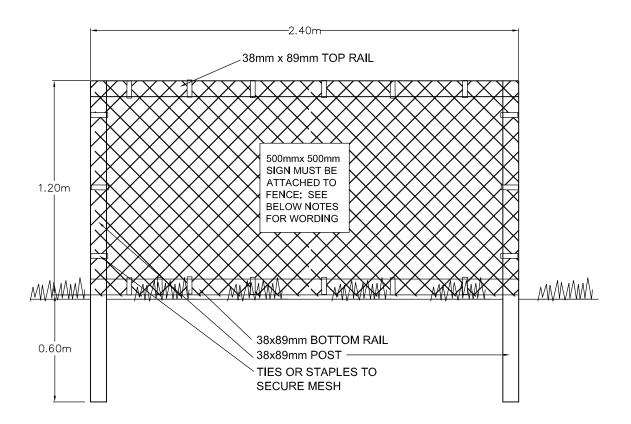
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As indicated





SUPPLEMENTARY STANDARD DETAIL DRAWINGS



TREE PROTECTION FENCING

- FENCE WILL BE CONSTRUCTED USING 38 mm X 89mm WOOD FRAME: TOP, BOTTOM AND POSTS * USE ORANGE SNOW-FENCING MESH AND SECURE THE WOOD FRAME WITH ZIP" TIES OR GALVANIZED STAPLES.
- 2. ATTACH A 500 mm X 500 mm SIGN WITH THE FOLLOWING WORDING: WARNING- TREE PROTECTION AREA. THIS SIGN MUST BE AFFIXED ON EVERY FENCE OR AT LEAST EVERY 10 LINEAR METERS.
- * IN ROCKY AREAS, METAL POSTS (T-BAR OR REBAR) DRILLED INTO ROCK WILL BE ACCEPTED

Box 48153 RPO - Uptown Victoria, BC V8Z 7H6 Ph: (250) 479-8733 Fax: (250) 479-7050 Email: tmtreehelp@gmail.com

Tree Resource Spreadsheet Methodology and Definitions

<u>Tag</u>: Tree identification number on a metal tag attached to tree with nail or wire, generally at eye level. Trees on municipal or neighboring properties are not tagged.

NT: No tag due to inaccessibility or ownership by municipality or neighbour.

<u>**DBH**</u>: Diameter at breast height – diameter of trunk, measured in centimetres at 1.4m above ground level. For trees on a slope, it is taken at the average point between the high and low side of the slope.

- * Measured over ivy
- ~ Approximate due to inaccessibility or on neighbouring property

<u>Crown Spread</u>: Indicates the diameter of the crown spread measured in metres to the dripline of the longest limbs.

Relative Tolerance Rating: Relative tolerance of the tree species to construction related impacts such as root pruning, crown pruning, soil compaction, hydrology changes, grade changes, and other soil disturbance. This rating does not take into account individual tree characteristics, such as health and vigour. Three ratings are assigned based on our knowledge and experience with the tree species: Poor (P), Moderate (M) or Good (G).

<u>Critical Root Zone</u>: A calculated radial measurement in metres from the trunk of the tree. It is the optimal size of tree protection zone and is calculated by multiplying the DBH of the tree by 10, 12 or 15 depending on the tree's Relative Tolerance Rating. This methodology is based on the methodology used by Nelda Matheny and James R. Clark in their book "Trees and Development: A Technical Guide to Preservation of Trees During Land Development."

- 15 x DBH = Poor Tolerance of Construction
- 12 x DBH = Moderate
- 10 x DBH = Good

To calculate the critical root zone, the DBH of multiple stems is considered the sum of 100% of the diameter of the largest stem and 60% of the diameter of the next two largest stems. It should be noted that these measures are solely mathematical calculations that do not consider factors such as restricted root growth, limited soil volumes, age, crown spread, health, or structure (such as a lean).

Health Condition:

- Poor significant signs of visible stress and/or decline that threaten the long-term survival of the specimen
- Fair signs of stress
- Good no visible signs of significant stress and/or only minor aesthetic issues

Structural Condition:

- Poor Structural defects that have been in place for a long period of time to the point that mitigation measures are limited
- Fair Structural concerns that are possible to mitigate through pruning
- Good No visible or only minor structural flaws that require no to very little pruning

Retention Status:

- X Not possible to retain given proposed construction plans
- Retain It is possible to retain this tree in the long-term given the proposed plans and information available. This is assuming our **recommended mitigation measures are followed**
- Retain * See report for more information regarding potential impacts
- TBD (To Be Determined) The impacts on the tree could be significant. However, in the absence of exploratory excavations and in an effort to retain as many trees as possible, we recommend that the final determination be made by the supervising project arborist at the time of excavation. The tree might be possible to retain depending on the location of roots and the resulting impacts, but concerned parties should be aware that the tree may require removal.
- NS Not suitable to retain due to health or structural concerns

5.3 Development Permit Application No. 000558 for 1224 Richardson Street

The City is considering a Development Permit application to construct multiple dwellings.

Applicant meeting attendees:

CHRISTINE LINTOTT CHRISTINE LINTOTT ARCHITECTS INC CHRISTINE LINTOTT ARCHITECTS INC TIM STEMP APPLICANT

Alec Johnston provided the Panel with a brief introduction of the application and the areas that Council is seeking advice on, including the following:

- transition with adjacent properties
- any other aspects of the proposal on which the ADP choose to comment.

Christine Lintott provided the Panel with a detailed presentation of the site and context of the proposal and Olivia Lynn provided the Panel with details of the proposed landscape plan.

Pamela Madoff left meeting at 3:00pm.

The Panel asked the following questions of clarification:

- there is already a public lane along Rockland Avenue, does this mean that eventually private lane owners will not be able to utilize their back lane?
 - Alec Johnston clarified that the portion that would provide access to the proposed parking area on the subject property is public. The rest of the lane going north is privately owned by the properties that front onto Linden Avenue. Currently, there is informal use of this private lane by the public.
- where would moving vans park?
 - o this would be challenging, and they may block driveways
- was the public right of way used as a pedestrian route?
 - o yes, for pedestrians and vehicles.
- is a private easement agreement on title?
 - o yes, drafted in 1902
- has this lane issue been discussed with the fire department?
 - o yes, they are okay with it because there are fire hydrants in close proximity
- where are the rain gardens on the plan?
 - o they run across and down the private lane on the west side
- are the windows in wells on the lowest level of each building? And are there concerns for stormwater with this aspect?
 - o there is a rendering issue affecting the site grading
 - stormwater will be directed throughout the site. Where the buildings come together, the grading will meet at a gentle slope
- is the rain collected from the private walkway?
 - o ves
- what is the walkability of this development to retail amenities?
 - o it is very high; Cook Street Village is approximately a 5-7 minute walk
- will the parking be assigned and titled?
 - yes, there will be two spaces that will be visitor stalls and 1 car share stall.

Panel members discussed:

- lack of green space on the sidewalk adjacent to the lane
- concern for the extensive hard surfaces
- concern for the fire pit location
- need to revise the institutional appearance of the front entrance stairs
- · acknowledgment of the density on the site
- concern for the building's relationship to the public lane
- lack of parking for the scale of the development
- the building's large footprint
- the site's lack of accessibility from the street, and lack of accessibility within each unit
- opportunity to examine other building options, such as a house and two guest houses.

Motion:

It was moved by Stefan Schulson, seconded by Marilyn Palmer, that Advisory Design Panel recommend to Council that Development Permit Application No. 000558 for 1224 Richardson Street be declined until further consideration of the following items:

- clarification of pedestrian use of the lane
- clarification of public and private site access
- adjustments to the character of units B and C to better fit the property
- · accessibility of the units and accessibility within the site
- clarification of site functionality, including loading.

Carried Unanimously

6.	ADJOURNMENT
The Ad	dvisory Design Panel meeting of November 27, 2019 was adjourned at 3:20 pm.
Stefan	Schulson, Chair

1224 Richardson Property Corp 1153 Burdett Ave Victoria, BC V8V 3H3 250.384.1969

1224 Richardson Street

Rezoning & Development Permit (REZ-00705 & DP-00558)

Advisory Design Panel Motion Response & Additional Neighbour Consultation

January 24, 2020

Response to the Advisory Design Panel Motion of Nov 27, 2019 & Additional Neighbour Consultation

Received City of Victoria

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Planning & Development Department Development Services Division

Attention:

Alec Johnston, Area Planner, Development Services Division, City of Victoria

Dear Mr. Johnston,

This letter is in response to the Advisory Design Panel Motion of November 27, 2019 regarding the proposed rezoning & development permit for 1224 Richardson Street. It also provides some updates on minor revisions to development plans to accommodate changes made to address the panel's concerns and/or requests from surrounding neighbours.

The Advisory Design Panel's motion was to recommend that Council decline the application until further consideration of the following items:

- 1. Clarification of pedestrian use of the lane
- 2. Clarification of public and private site access
- 3. Adjustments to the character of units B and C to better fit the property
- Accessibility of the units and accessibility within the site
- 5. Clarification of site functionality, including loading.

Due to the format of the meeting where the panel discusses and debates the application after the proponent has presented and responded to some limited preliminary questions, we were not able to respond or provide this clarification at the time of the meeting. Most of the concerns identified above were not directly raised as questions to our team, but rather developed during the debate amongst panel members during the later half of the meeting which we were not permitted to respond to. This is unfortunate as, had we been given the opportunity to respond to questions or provide clarifications during the panel's debate we believe we could have resolved any concerns or confusion they had and that the motion would have been more positive.

As such we have provided additional information, clarification and responses below to address the panel's concerns.

Clarification of pedestrian use of the lane. The Current lane is approx. 4.6 m in width and runs from
Richardson Road at the south end to Rockland Ave at the north end. The southern most 120 feet of the lane
is a public laneway owned by the City of Victoria. The remainder of the lane north to Rockland Ave is privately
owned by the properties on the east side of the 700 and 800 Block of Linden.

The lane is open at both ends and used by the public at large along its entire length for vehicle, bicycle and pedestrian traffic between Richardson and Rockland. The lane is also used by City garbage crews servicing the 700 and 800 block of Linden Ave, 1224, 1230, & 1232 Richardson as well as the carriage house at 1232 Richardson.

During the City's initial review of our proposed development, Engineering staff indicated that the most appropriate driveway access to our proposed parking lot was off of the public portion of the lane as the current driveway for 1224 Richardson was too close to the intersection of Richardson and the Lane to meet the City's requirements and standards of practice. They also indicated that the lane did not meet the City's design requirements for two way traffic, i.e., a 6 m lane width, and so requested a 1.4m Statutory Right Of

Way along the West side of our property for the length of the public lane way. We are prepared to grant that SROW. In so doing, this will improve the safety of the lane for all users of the public lane and also permit more effective access to our property.

We also planned to provide a sidewalk along the west side of our property from Richardson to the rear of the northern most proposed building which would have been open to the public to improve pedestrian safety along the public and private lane section that abuts our property. Unfortunately, a number owners in the 700 block of Linden who own the private section of the lane have insisted that we install a fence along our west property line where it abuts the private portion of the lane to prevent any residents in the proposed development from using the lane for pick up or drop of purposes. As such the sidewalk along the west side of our property, north of the public section of the lane will be fully enclosed within the fenced section of our property and not accessible to the public.

As noted above, the private portion of the lane is owned by the properties on the east side of the 700 and 800 block of Linden. The control and access for public pedestrian use of that portion of the lane is entirely in the control of those owners and we have no ability to influence or alter that control. If they choose to close off that access or leave it open, that is entirely up to them. Having said all of this, our development has been designed to ensure that the residents do not have direct access from our property to the private section of the lane as requested by some of the owners of that portion of the lane. Our proposed pedestrian access as described below under items 2 & 4 is entirely from Richardson and/or the City-owned, public portion of the lane.

- 2. Clarification of public and private site access. As noted above public pedestrian access to the site would be via the sidewalk on Richardson Road and/or a new public sidewalk along the east side of the public section of lane. Public vehicle traffic would access the site via the city owned section of the lane into the private parking lot on the subject site. As we have previously indicated we intend to work with City Traffic Engineering staff to design signage that directs vehicles leaving our property to turn south into the public section of the lane and curbing on our property that prevents vehicles from turning north into the private section of lane. This curbing will prevent vehicles from turning north out of our parking lot but will not impact north bound public or private vehicle access from Richardson to ensure we do not impact what is currently accessible.
- 3. Adjustments to the character of units B and C to better fit the property. Based on our notes of the panel's discussion of this point we believe this request is to address two issues the panel raised. The first was a desire among some of the panel members to have the buildings face the lane due to the confusion regarding ownership and access to the lane. As noted above in item 1 the lane to the west of building B and C is not a public lane, it is private property.

The City of Victoria Design Guidelines for: Multi Unit Residential, Commercial and industrial states:

2.3.1 - Buildings should be oriented towards public streets, walkways and amenities (parks, harbour and coastline, etc).

Turning the building to face the lane would be directly contrary to this section of the City's guidelines. This is precisely why our design has all three buildings facing the "public street," not the lane.

The second issue of adjustment discussed by the panel was the large wide front stairs that one member commented looked too wide and institutional. Modifications have been made to "de-institutionalize" the stair while also acknowledging the Building Code requirements associated with exposure protection of the exits from each dwelling unit. The lower lift of stairs are narrowed to ease the overall width and address the comments, while also meeting the intent of the requirements for exposure protection.

4. Accessibility of the units and accessibility within the site. The Edwardian/Craftsman Character and style of the buildings have been chosen to fit in with the existing streetscape, massing and context of the neighbourhood. This type of structure, along with the City's design guidelines that encourage separate individual front doors (ground orientated units), and the desire to deliver 24 affordable home ownership opportunities makes it very difficult to also make these units accessible to those with physical disabilities. We looked at using ramp

systems to allow some of the lower or mid floor units to be accessible, but the length of ramp required was not feasible given the height of the buildings in relationship to the average exterior grade. We also looked at raising the buildings to decrease the length of ramp required to make lower units accessible, but this would have raised the overall height of the buildings beyond its surrounding neighbours and would likely create significant concern from the community. We also looked at providing an elevator but the design is ground orientated to give each unit its own front door which does not allow for the use of an elevator. As such we are not able to offer any accessible units in this development but believe that providing 24 affordable for sale units in this highly desirable neighbourhood is of sufficient value to offset this concern.

5. Clarification of site functionality, including loading. This concern appears to be related to how the development would accommodate service vehicles or people moving in and out without blocking sections of the private lane. Service vehicles (repair men, parcel delivery etc would enter the site via the public lane off Richardson and park in the reserved visitors spot in the parking lot. Small moving vans would utilise the same visitor spot with no disruption to the development residents or surrounding neighbours. Where larger moving vans are used this would be pre booked with the strata manager to allow temporary closing of some of the stalls on the North or South side of the parking lot to accommodate a larger moving truck. This is the same process that is used at many apartment or condo projects for move ins or for cleaning and sealing parking surfaces, or repairing piping, lighting etc. in underground parkades. Vehicles would be discouraged from parking in the private lane to unload as the fence between the lane and the subject site cuts off access to the buildings on the subject development site.

In addition to the issues raised by the ADP one of the neighbours on Linden has expressed concern over the proposed fence along the west side of the site separating it from the private lane. As you know this fence was requested by some, but not all of the neighbours along Linden. We therefore agreed to install a continuous 4-foot solid fence along this property line from the north end of the property south to the point where the public lane begins. Ms. Tamsin McIntosh of 721 Linden expressed concern that this fence was not tall enough to ensure that delivery vans did not park in the private lane and pass items over the fence. While this is highly unlikely as there would be no way for delivery drivers to notify the residents they were parked there, we have made attempts to meet with Ms McIntosh over the last couple of weeks but have not received a response from her. We also spoke with one of the residents of 727/29 Linden who agreed with our concern that a taller solid board fence would create a graffiti target like the fence on this side of the lane to the north of the subject property and that it was counter active to eyes on the alley way for safety & security purposes. This resident also agreed that a taller open lattice type fence would sufficiently discourage delivery drivers from stopping in the lane to pass packages over the fence while enhancing the eyes on the lane as well as allowing for views of the site landscaping from the lane which she believed would be a positive addition. We have therefore revised the fence along the West property line from a 4-foot solid board fence to a 5-foot open lattice fence as shown on the revised landscape plan as well as the updated building renderings.

We trust this adequately responds to the clarification requirements outlined in the ADP's motion and will allow you to finalize your report and present our proposal to Committee of The Whole as soon as possible. Please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned if you have any questions or further concerns.

Best Regards,

Tim Stemp

1224 Richardson Property Corp



Sustainable Planning and Community Development 1 Centennial Square Victoria, BC V8W 1P6

Tenant Assistance Plan

This form must be submitted with your rezoning or development application. For contact, please send questions to your development services planner.

SUMMARY: Instructions and steps for Developers and Property Owners

STEP 1	BACKGROUND: Understand your rights and responsibilities as a landlord. Please review the documents in the background section pertaining to relocating tenants and the City's rental replacement policies.
STEP 2	POLICY APPLICATION: Complete tenant impact assessment to determine the requirements of your application.
	Complete application requirement, including:
	a. Current Site Information
STEP 3	b. Tenant Assistance Plan
SIEFS	c. Tenant Communication Plan
	d. Appendix A - Current Occupant Information and Rent Rolls (For office use only)
	e. Appendix B - Correspondence with Tenants Communication (For office use only)
STEP 4	SUBMIT: Complete form and submit to:
31EF 4	a. Email digital copy of plan to housing@victoria.ca (include appendices)
STEP 5	REVISE: Applicant to update and return application requirements with staff input.
STEP 6	FINALIZE: City staff to finalize the review and signs off application requirements and used as attachment for the Committee of the Whole report.

BACKGROUND: Rights and Responsibilities of Landlords and Tenants

The rights and responsibilities of landlords and tenants are regulated by the Province and is set out in the Residential Tenancy Act.

Please refer to the City of Victoria's <u>website</u> for more information regarding the City of Victoria's rental housing policies. Supporting documents include:

- Tenant Assistance Instructions and Checklist
- Tenant Assistance Policy
- Frequently Asked Questions
- Sample Letter to Tenants
- Request for Tenant Assistance Form and Privacy Guidelines
- Final Tenant Assistance Report

POLICY APPLICATION: Tenant Impact Assessment to Determine the Requirements of your Application

Answer the questions below to determine whether a plan is required with your application:

Tenant Impact			Application Requirement	
Are you redeveloping or demolishing a building that will result in loss of existing residential units?		No	If yes, complete the next question.	
Does your work require the permanent relocation of tenant(s) out of the building?		No	If yes, complete and submit a tenant assistance plan.	
Do you have tenant(s) who have been residing in the building for more than one year?	Yes	No	If yes, tenants are eligible under the tenant assistance plan	

If any are selected no, then a tenant assistance plan is not required as part of your application.

TENANT ASSISTANCE PLAN

A. Current Site Information

Site Address:	
Owner Name:	
Company Name:	
Tenant Relocation Coordinator (Name, Position, Organization):	

EXISTING RENTAL UNITS

Unit Type	# of Units	Average Rents (\$/Mo.)
Bachelor		
1 BR		
2 BR		
3 BR		
3 BR+		
Total		

B. Tenant Assistance Plan

For any renovation or redevelopment that requires relocation of existing tenants, the property owner must create a Tenant Assistance Plan that addresses the following issues:

- Early communication with the tenants
- Appropriate compensation
- Relocation assistance
- Moving costs and assistance
- Right of first refusal

The City has developed a Tenant Assistance Plan template that is available for applicant use. The template includes the required FOIPPA section 27(2) privacy notification which should be identified for tenants.

Please refer to the Tenant Assistance Policy with Tenant Assistance Plan guidelines for Market Rental and Non-Market Rental Housing Development.

Required under the Residential Tenancy Act

Notice to End Tenancies

A landlord may issue a Notice to End Tenancy only after all necessary permits have been issued by the City. In addition, landlords must give four months' notice to end tenancies for renovation, demolition, and conversions. Tenants have 30 days to dispute the notice.

For more information, please refer to the Landlord Notice to End Tenancy.

Renovations and Repairs

Renovations and repairs must be so extensive that they require the unit to be empty in order for them to take place, and the only way to achieve the necessary emptiness or vacancy is by terminating a tenancy. The RTA and associated guidelines provide specific guidance pertaining to whether a landlord may end a tenancy in order to undertake renovations or repairs to a rental unit.

For more information, please refer to Ending a Tenancy for Landlord's use of Property.

Right of First Refusal

In instances of renovations or repairs requiring vacancy, the RTA requires tenants be offered the right of first refusal to enter into a new tenancy agreement at a rent determined by the landlord. This right of first refusal applies only to a rental unit in a residential property containing 5 or more units, and there are financial penalties for non-compliance.

For more information, please refer to Tenant Notice: Exercising Right of First Refusal.

For full details, please check the Government of British Columbia website.

		APPLICANT	CITY STAFF		
Tenant Assistance Plan Components	Tenant Assistance Plan				
	Date:	dd/mm/yyyy	dd/mm/yyyy		
Compensation Please indicate how you will be compensating the tenant(s).			Yes No		
Moving Expenses Please indicate how the tenant(s) will receive moving expenses and assistance.			Yes No		
Relocation Assistance Please indicate how the tenant(s) will receive relocation assistance.			Yes No		
Right of First Refusal Please indicate whether the applicant is offering right of first refusal to the tenant(s). Please indicate your reasoning.			Yes No		
Tenants Requiring Additional Assistance Please indicate whether there are tenants requiring additional assistance. If so, please indicate how the applicant plans to provide additional support.			Yes No		
Other Comments					

	APPLICANT					
Tenant Communication Plan Components	Tenant Communication Plan					
	Date:	dd/mm/yyyy				
How and when did you inform tenants of the rezoning or development application?						
How will you be communicating to tenants throughout the rezoning or development application (including decisions made by Council)?						
What kind of resources will you be communicating to your tenants and how will you facilitate tenants in accessing these resources? (Please see the City's website for a list of resources)						
Have tenant(s) confirmed with you whether they request assistance? If so, please indicate the staff responsible or whether a third-party service is requested.						
Other communications notes:						

FINAL TAP Review - [For City Staff to complete]

Application received by			(City Staff) on	(Date)
Did the applicant meet TAP policy?	Yes	No		
Staff Comments on final plan:				

Monica Dhawan

From: Patricia Manly <

Sent: Sunday, June 16, 2019 9:43 PM **To:** Victoria Mayor and Council

Cc:

Subject: 1224 Richardson proposed development

Dear Mayor and Council:

I regret that I will be out of town on Wednesday, June 19 and will thus be unable to attend the community information meeting regarding this development proposal.

I have been informed by neighbours who live closer to Richardson that the proposal is to develop the lot from its current duplex to a 24 strata units with 10 parking stalls.

Personally, I support increasing density in Victoria in order to mitigate our housing shortage, provided that this can be done wisely. I do not object to increasing the density at 1224 Richardson to provide additional housing in the neighbourhood. In particular, I support efforts to make our neighbourhood more affordable for families with young children.

I do have some concerns:

- The scale of this development seems excessive. I would be much more agreeable to a proposal half this size.
- The site is close to the intersection of Harbinger and Richardson. The potential of additional traffic along Harbinger is a concern that could affect our quality of life and property values. Traffic calming strategies may be helpful and should be considered.
- The lane that runs between Richardson and Rockland to the west of the property is actually a family friendly resource that needs to be protected, in my view. The lane currently has next to no traffic, which makes it an ideal place for children to learn to ride bicycles, skateboards, etc. without danger. Although I do not have children myself, I would hate to see the loss of a bike friendly space that is currently suitable for young children to develop their skills.
- Preserving and enhancing Victoria's green space should always be a priority, and I would hope that this has been taken into consideration in this proposal.

Thank you for your consideration of these concerns. I am hopeful that development can proceed on this site at a scale that will add to Victoria's housing supply while preserving Fairfield and Rockland's quiet, leafy atmosphere.

Sincerely,

Patricia Manly, Ph.D. 608 Harbinger Avenue Victoria, BC V8V 4J1

Heather McIntyre

From: Raphael Beck

Sent: Monday, June 17, 2019 4:25 PM

To: Victoria Mayor and Council;

Subject: Fwd: Development at 1224 Richardson

As we are unable to attend the June 19 meeting, we would like to voice our concerns regarding the proposed development on Richardson:

- 1. The size of the development is out of proportion to the surrounding neighborhood. It will turn a quiet residential area into a busy urban environment.
- 2. Privacy of residents west of the lane could be compromised as tenants from the development seek to shortcut through to Linden avenue.
- 3. Parking: it is unrealistic to assume that 24 "families" will own 10 cars. More likely, most of them will. That means that they will seek parking in adjacent streets, resulting in residents of these streets having trouble finding a parking place.
- 4. Lane traffic: our big concern is that the narrow private lane will be transformed into a high-traffic area. This will compromise the safety of young children living along the lane, as well as pedestrians and bikers who often use the lane now.
- 5. Is paying \$850 per square foot considered "affordable housing"?

The development should be scaled down to fit the neighbourhood.

Raphael and Dahlia Beck 3-727 Linden Ave

630 Linden Ave., Victoria, B.C. V8V 4G5. June 20, 2019.

Mayor and Covencil Victoria, B.E. re: Proposed Development

1224 Richardson (Jim Sterng) I am not opposed to development. I have a place

to live soil only feel that it is right if other people

The issue is Parking. There is no parking on the north side of Richardson. Ten spots on the property is severely inadequate for 24 units, even if there was they'll need groceries delivered and there needs to be space for taxis and visitors.

The member of service people that are on our street daily is amazing. Neighbours have groceries and water delivered. There are coursers several days a week. Plenty of lawn care people. Neighbours are vigilant in maintaining their homes and yard as a result, there are painters, electricians, plumbers, car -penters, bricklayers, arborests. Myself, I had the help of a caregiver for 42 years. Also, I have family who visit from out of town. I always request them as much as possible to park in front of our lot. I know they grandfalhered some of the older homes that have been converted into suites not requering as much on site parking as was necessary but with new construction, I think the problem of parking should be addressed before it is built.

> Thankyou, Sandra Greenwood

Lucas De Amaral

From: Melanie and Morgan Finley Sent: September 5, 2019 5:41 PM
To: Victoria Mayor and Council

Subject: Proposed Development 1224 Richardson Street

Hi,

We are opposed to the proposed development at 1224 Richardson Street changing from single family to 24 strata units.

We live within close proximity to 1224 Richardson Street and have received a notice about the proposed development to change the zoning from R1-B (single family house) to 24 strata units. This does not align with other neighbourhood developments to date. It changes the family residential feel of our neighbourhood. It does not meet proposed or active community development plans. We also have grave concerns about lack of parking that will be provided and the increased traffic on a laneway that is on an elementary school walking route.

While we appreciate the desire to densify our residential neighbourhoods this proposal is not suitable for our area. Please consider changing this high density proposal to one that suits the neighbourhood. Other lots close by have been subdivided into single family houses or large 2 story houses on large lots have been strata converted into 3 or 4 units.

Thank you,

Heather McIntyre

From: Development Services email inquiries

Sent: September 6, 2019 11:03 AM **To:** Victoria Mayor and Council

Subject: FW: 1224/1226 Richardson St- Proposedredevelopment

----- Original Message ------

Subject: 1224/1226 Richardson St- Proposedredevelopment

Date: 2019-09-05 19:32

From: ANGELE MUNRO

To Whom it may concern,

I live at 3-602 Trutch St and am in favour of the proposed site specific development of this property with the following suggestions.

I drive along Richardson St 6 days a week past that location on my way to Oak Bay Recreation. It is a very busy street even early in the morning (usually 6:45 am). It is a bicycle route and there are lots of vehicles parked along the street as well as vehicular traffic.

To address these concern, I would suggest that the Developer provide enough on-site parking for residents and visitors also bicycle storage.

This location would be great for residents who wish to cycle or walk to work Downtown which would benefit the traffic and parking in the city.

Also, it should be considered that this building has no Heritage value.

A new building would provide a safe and healthy environment for its residents and be an asset to Fairfield. Some older buildings in the area have been a safety issue. There have been fires in the neighbourhood in the last couple of years as well as lead and asbestos issues.

I appreciate having the opportunity to voice my opinion.

Thank you

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ANGELE MUNRO,BA Realtor Pemberton Holmes Ltd

...Tell ANGELE

Heather McIntyre

From: Loretta Blasco

Sent: September 18, 2019 10:07 AM

To: Victoria Mayor and Council

Subject: Proposed development of 1224 Richardson

Good morning,

I wasn't able to attend last nights meeting, but I thought it was important to share with you what I see as going in the wrong direction with development. What I mean by that is, for example, 1201 Fort Street and the Black and White developments that are currently being constructed.

What Victoria DOES NOT NEED are more condo developments in our neighbourhoods.

What Victoria DOES NEED is affordable rental/co-op housing stock. And by affordable, I don't mean subsidized units, nor do I mean, 300 sq. ft. units for \$1400 per month. We need housing where people can get on with their lives and build community. I do understand that all levels of government need to be involved, but it's time to say no to over development in our neighbourhoods. It's time to think differently about housing, other than condo units, and the time is now to make it happen.

Please pay attention to the set backs on these developments that are coming to you for approval. There is no need, except greed, to have buildings encroaching on sidewalks, and neighbours. As well, greed drives the need to increase the height of these buildings. A two story building on Richardson fits in better with the neighbourhood, not 3 stories. And for goodness sake, if you going to allow this development, please make sure the city receives some amenities for the privilege of building in a neighbourhood, for example, money for better roads, or maybe green space. Stop giving our valuable land away for nothing, for free.

I hope you, the Mayor, and city council will carefully consider the legacy you are trying to leave for Victorians living and working here. I'm sure, you would rather have a legacy with a different headline, Instead of the headline saying that Victoria is one of the worst places in Canada to be a renter now. Wouldn't it be exciting to change that statement around to something more community based, affordable and inclusive?

Please think carefully as you consider the proposed development of 1224 Richardson.

Thank you. Loretta Blasco 301-1025 Linden Avenue Victoria BC

Sent from my iPad

CALUC COMMUNITY MEETING FEEDBACK FORM

This form was developed by the RNA Land Use Committee to help consolidate neighbor's feedback to Rezoning Proposals. It is not meant to be a complete compilation of all issues. When a development proposal requires rezoning the applicant is advised to have consulted with the immediate neighbors at a community meeting so that their concerns can be considered. Please read this form carefully, checking the statements with which you are in agreement and signing to indicate you have been informed about this development proposal. You are encouraged to provide comments: however, your ultimate position need not be declared until the Public Hearing before City Council.

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~	I have had an opportunity to review the required plans and proposal for 1224/26 Richardson.
V	Both the existing zoning and the requested proposed rezoning criteria have been explained.
	I have been informed of the proposed number of dwellings.
	The plans I have seen include the site plan, landscape plan, floor plans, elevations with clearly indicated heights, setbacks and site coverage, photos or illustrations (to scale) of buildings in relation to flanking buildings.
_	Proposals for blasting or tree removal have been explained. OR
<u>~</u>	I have been informed there will be no blasting or tree removal. planting new trees, greaters:
<u></u>	The proposed landscaping for our common property line is acceptable to me.
X	The proponent's explanation adequately addressed my questions and concerns about the proposal. Wot
√	I understand that the plans I have seen may change considerably and that it would be in my best "ASH" interest to follow the process going forward.
Please	check one of the following to indicate your support of, further consideration, or objection to this development as it has been proposed.
	I support the concept as proposed.
	I do not have an opinion at this time.
V	I am opposed to this development as it has been proposed.
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	se and meeting! I now understand that ASH is not (over)

Thank you for this. It is your neighborhood. Please do not hesitate to contact the proponent, the Rockland Planner, the Rockland Council Liaison or landuse@rockland.bc.ca if you have questions or concerns.

an official program but rathe rather, Gene Hiller's invention. Once the original buyers sell, there will be no further "affordable" elements that are enforceaste. get the neighbourhood will still have a significantly over-populated, under-sewed (ot. -densely populated houses in rear of property - how will - 24 cuits is to too many they be sewed by service - madequate vehicles, movers, emergency parking by whides etc? via the alley? any bleasure It's a private alley. Via the - bus skuice in the parking lot? It will probably area is minimal y projected to remain be full because it is too Tow this somewhat small for the number of units proposed. improved My new understanding from this second is that ASH ("affordable sustainable housing") is a red heming. This is simply a development proposal, with too many mits for the level of services available. Parking is a real issue. It is confain to expect the culture to change from can-culture to other, simply because there isn't parking available.

Heather McIntyre

From: PW

Sent: October 14, 2019 10:40 AM
To: Victoria Mayor and Council

Cc: Development Services email inquiries

Subject: 1224 Richardson development.

Hello

Hope you all had a wonderful weekend.

Concerns over the 24 unit proposed development at 1224 Richardson. Developer is using affordable housing to propose rezoning reduced set backs over hight and to many units on a lot that in the past had one house with access only and required off Richardson.

We have had two resident meetings the residents concerns are not a development, just the kind of development. We would appreciate your attention to our Concerns. The lane adjacent to the development (Richardson to Rockland) is owned by the residents on Linden we allow the public to use the back lane ..it's nice to share a quiet walk on the lane. We have a problem regarding the lane. The development is proposing they use the lane (small portion off Richardson owned by city) to access the development off the lane. This is nothing but trouble. It is a lane not a road, it is narrow and does not meet code and will creat unsafe traffic problems, all traffic from the development will use the private lane. There is a proposal for a curb to direct vehicle traffic into the development. The lane needs to be left alone. The driveway clearly needs to be separate and off Richardson. The lane should not be used as an allowance for variance to the proposed development. The owners of the lane pay taxes every year On the lane and at this point would like to keep the lane open for the public. The owners of the lane have not been offered compensation from the developer or the city might consider the purchase or reducing the property tax bill. The planning department needs to keep this in mind. Time and money should not be spent on re-engineering the lane.

The Development for that sight is wrong it is are opinion the sight zoning must be attached to the building plans. Plans of 6-8 family units. Reasons ..the condo market is flooding and prices reasonable we need the next step up for family homes. This aria is suitable.

Parking is a big issue with this development.

The developer seems to have hart please encourage them to build family units ,less density with no use or allowances with the "Lane"

Regards, Peter Willis Victoria

Sent from cell

Heather McIntyre

From: ron February 14, 2020 12:58 PM

To: Victoria Mayor and Council

Subject: 1224 Richardson development

Good day,

As we live at 1232 Richardson,next door to this proposed development, we would like to raise our concerns.

This has already been turned down by the Advisory Design Group. This proposal will now be presented to you without addressing any of the concerns. That is, over height, over dense, minimal parking.

We would have no problem with half that many units in smaller buildings but as it stands now we will be subject to a wall of three story windows the full length of our property. There is no solution presented for the protected tree on the 1232 lot which over stands the proposed building "C". Both 1224 and 1232 lots are only 55 feet wide so this development on 1224 would totally devalue any resale options for 1232 as the present code calls for a 60 foot lot for a panhandle development.

Regards,

Maureen and Ron Pugh

1232 Richardson Street

Lucas De Amaral

From: Tamsin McIntosh

Sent:March 5, 2020 12:17 PMTo:Lisa Helps (Mayor)Subject:1224 Richardson

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> To Mayor Lisa Helps and Council

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- > I have several concerns about the proposed development at 1224 Richardson Avenue.
- > The developers are not working with the neighbors, and are going ahead after being turned down by your Advisory Design Group. It seems that by calling

the development "affordable", they believe this development will pass council, even though this is a huge jump in density for profit. I am totally supportive of affordable housing, but this proposed development does not meet the community's needs. We are just a few blocks from an elementary school and a Community Centre. We have more affordable small units already on the market. We really need some family housing.

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- > This is essentially a panhandle development, with the two back buildings having no street access. I am told by City planners that it is not a panhandle because it is not wide enough to qualify. With a lane way house, or panhandle lot there are extra restrictions, designed to protect neighbors from a big building looking into and shading our back yards. This development dwarfs my neighbors properties to the East. The developers drawings are shown from an angle that makes them appear to fit in. Please hold them to the set backs and height restrictions in R1A, as other properties that actually have street access are held to this zoning.
- > The back two buildings have no street access and the building at the back has no vehicle access for fire, ambulance or deliveries.
- > The lane at the back is a PRIVATE DRIVE owned by the houses to the south. I own 721 Linden, and I own the lane at the back of my property.
- > 1224 Richardson has always had it's own driveway, but that is not in the new plans. My neighbours have never minded the foot and bicycle traffic,
- > but are tired of getting blocked, and have voted to put up PRIVATE LANE and NO PARKING signs.

The lane is not wide enough for cars to pass, and this development creates a number of dangerous situations such as having to back out onto Richardson, driving onto a pedestrian sidewalk and limited visibility at both ends. It will be even more dangerous for the proposed bike lane. Closing the lane to through traffic would solve some of the problems, but would also create some.

> I invite you to come out, and will happily walk the lane and show you our concerns. Please give me a call or email with the time you would like to come, and I will do my best to meet you or have a neighbor meet you.

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- > Tamsin McIntosh
- > 721 Linden Ave
- > Victoria B.C. V8V4G8

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Rezoning & Development Permit with Variances Application for 1224 Richardson Street



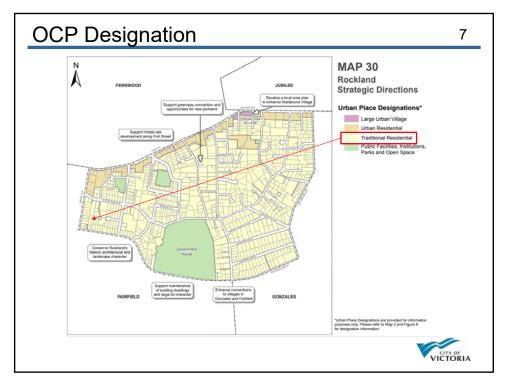


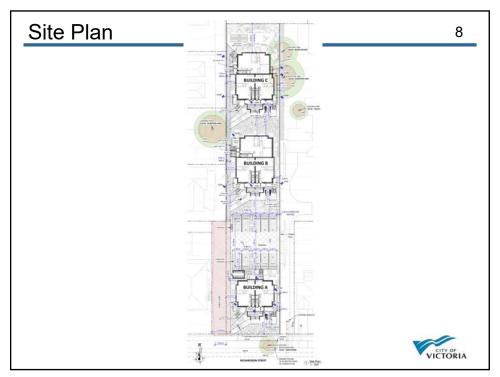


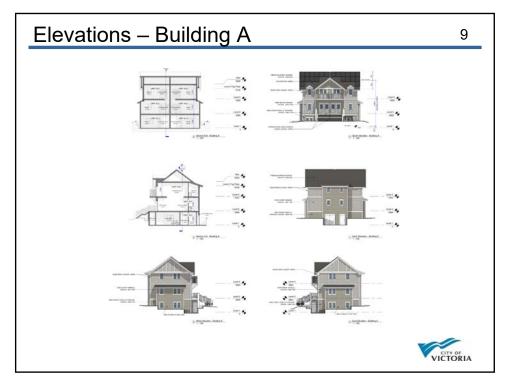


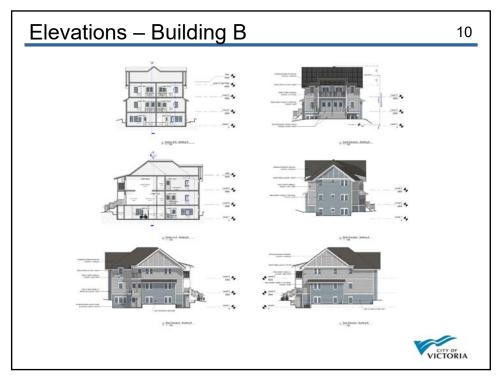


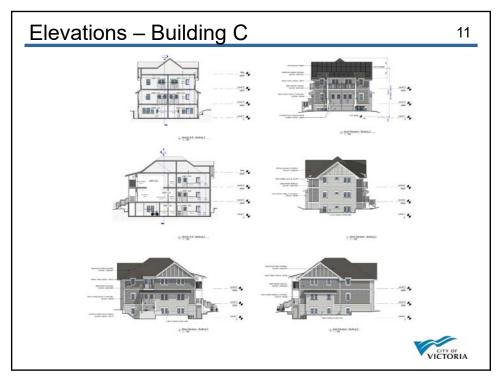


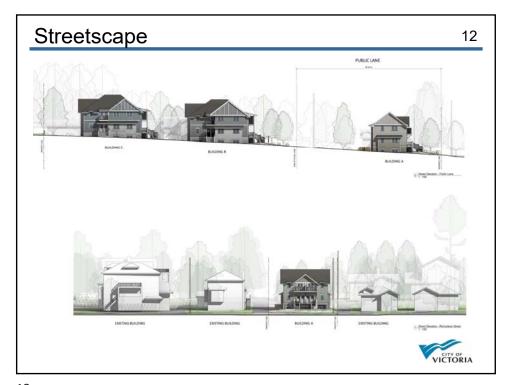


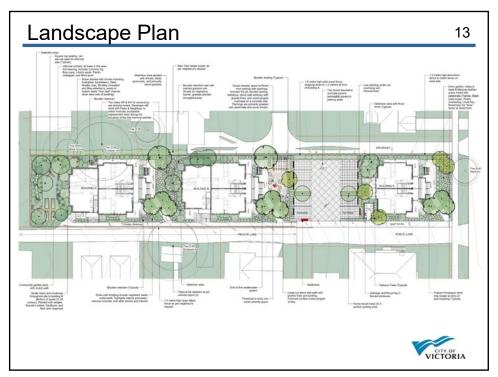










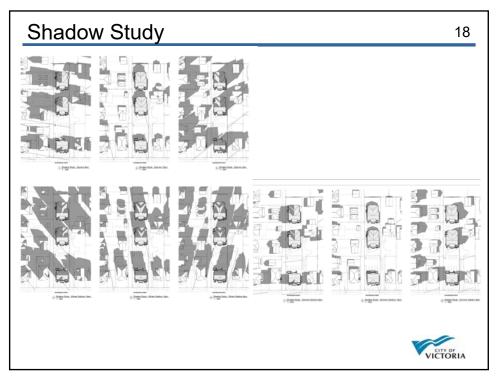


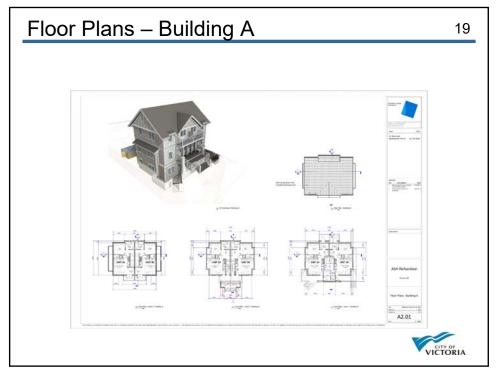


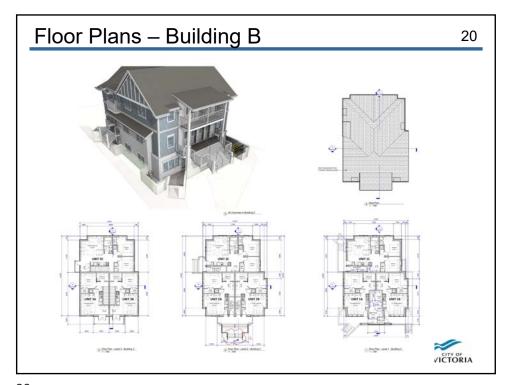


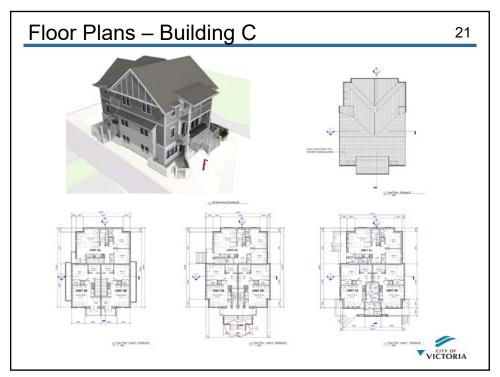












From: E Davies

Sent: June 25, 2020 12:39 PM
To: Victoria Mayor and Council

Cc: Alec Johnston

Subject: Support for proposal development at 1224 Richardson St.

Attachments: City of Victoria.pdf

Good afternoon,

I am writing to you today in support of the proposed development at 1224 Richardson Street, Victoria. Please see the attached letter of support.

Thank you,

Eleri Davies

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Eleri A. Davies

778.873.6958

Attention: Mayor & Council City of Victoria 1 Centennial Square Victoria, BC V8W 1P6

June 25, 2020

Re: Support for proposed development at 1224 Richardson St.

Dear Mayor and Council,

I live at 100 Saghalie Road, Victoria. I am writing you today to support the proposed development at 1224 Richardson Street.

As someone who works in the sustainability sector and is looking to enter the housing marketing for the first time in Victoria, this is precisely the type of Gentle Density development we need.

This is an exciting project, as it will enhance the community well-being by encouraging a diverse group of socio-economic homeowners to enter a market. Ultimately, this will develop an inclusive community where young people from the area can stay in the neighbourhood they grew up in, retirees can downsize in the area they have called home, and renters can become homeowners without having to move to the suburbs.

Having reviewed the project proposal, I see several links to the City of Victoria's Community Plan to increase affordable home ownership without negatively affecting the existing neighbourhood. In addition, the proposed sustainability features of the project align with the provincial government's CleanBC plan, Active Transportation Plan and the city's Go Victoria strategy.

It is clear that the project team has provided thoughtful integration of the City of Victoria's transportation, affordable housing, climate solutions, and community well-being strategies while designing to fit with the current neighbourhood aesthetic.

For these reasons, I urge you to approve this development.

Sincerely,

Eleri A. Davies

CleriA Davies

From: Mary Ann Espedido

Sent: June 26, 2020 11:46 PM

To: Alec Johnston

Cc: Victoria Mayor and Council **Subject:** 1224 Richardson Street

City of Victoria 1 Centennial Square Victoria, BC V8W 1P6

Attention: Mayor & Council

Dear Mayor & Council,

I am a Victoria resident. I am writing you today to support the proposed development at 1224 Richardson Street.

This is precisely the type of Gentle Density development we need in Victoria. It will provide desperately needed affordable housing without negatively impacting the existing neighbourhood. This project will allow young people from the area to stay in the neighbourhood they grew up in, retires to down size in the area they have called home and renters to become home owners without having to move to the suburbs.

I urge you to approve this development.

Sincerely,

Mary Ann Espedido

From: trevor rowe

Sent:June 26, 2020 11:58 PMTo:ajohnston@victoria.bcCc:Victoria Mayor and CouncilSubject:1224 Richardson Street

City of Victoria 1 Centennial Square Victoria, BC V8W 1P6

Attention: Mayor & Council

Dear Mayor & Council,

I am a Victoria resident. I am writing you today to support the proposed development at 1224 Richardson Street.

This is exactly the type of Gentle Density development we need in Victoria. It will provide affordable housing without negatively impacting the existing neighbourhood. This project will allow young people, such as my young adult children, to stay in the neighbourhood they grew up in, retirees to down size in the area they have called home and renters to become home owners without having to move to the suburbs.

Please support adfordable living.

Trevor Rowe

From: ryley rohan

Sent:June 27, 2020 7:58 PMTo:Victoria Mayor and CouncilSubject:1224 Richardson development

Dear Mayor & Council.

My name is Ryley Rohan and I am inquiring about the development at 1224 Richardson.

I am interested in this development due it's location. I do not have a vehicle and I work construction mostly in the downtown area where I commute by bike and have had a hard time finding housing in the near by areas for long term periods. I was wondering when this project was scheduled to be completed and if it still needed approval because I would be interested,

Thank you for your time

Ryley

From: Bill Weaver

Sent: June 28, 2020 1:46 PM **To:** Victoria Mayor and Council

Subject: re: Development and Rezoning at 1224 Richardson.

To Mayor and Council:

We're delighted and excited to support the proposed development and rezoning at 1224 Richardson. We already know Fairfield residents who would love a development like this.

For several years, I've been hearing about the Affordable Sustainable Housing concept, and have been hoping to see it brought to life. In my opinion, it's the perfect answer to Victoria's affordable housing needs, while maintaining the character our neighbourhood of Fairfield is known for.

Victoria has another chance to innovate. We need to breathe life into more ideas like this. Please greenlight this project.

Many thanks

BIll Weaver and Siobhan Robinsong 1316 Point St, Victoria, BC V8S 1A5

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Bill Weaver Across Borders Media www.natureofmedia.org

From:

Sent:June 28, 2020 3:32 PMTo:Victoria Mayor and Council

Subject: Support for development at 1224 Richardson St.

To Mayor Lisa Helps and Victoria City Council

Dear Mayor and Council,

I'd like to show my support for an exciting and timely new multi-family housing development and rezoning proposed for 1224 Richardson St. in Fairfield.

I've lived in Fairfield/Rockland and James Bay for the last 30 years and welcome this approach to re-development and densification of our residential neighbourhoods. The proposed units are affordable enough to ensure diversity in the community while reflecting the architectural character of the adjacent homes and streets.

I currently rent a character home which, with its 3 adjacent houses, is scheduled for demolition in the next year for another multi-family development. I would welcome seeing an ASH project as an alternative to wiping out the character of my neighbourhood.

I hope you will approve the Richardson St. project which will provide a path to follow for other land owners in Victoria.

Sincerely,

Geoff Gosson 415 Parry St. Victoria, BC

From: Calum Ramsay

Sent: June 23, 2020 12:34 PM

To: Victoria Mayor and Council; Alec Johnston

Subject: 1224 Richardson St. Development - Letter of Support **Attachments:** 1224 Richardson St. Letter of Support - City of Victoria.pdf

To the Mayor and Council,

My name is Calum Ramsay. I currently rent at 103-100 Saghalie Rd, and I'd like to own one of the new units proposed for 1224 Richardson St.

The addition of 24 affordable, walk-up single and double bedroom homes will greatly improve the local area, as well as boosting the supply of affordable housing in Victoria. The location – close to downtown, Cook St. village, bike lanes, and transit – will increase the density and vitality of the area, while maintaining its current form and character.

Personally, the most important factor is proposed prices – at \$420 000 for a 2-bedroom home, my partner and I will be able to afford our own place in Victoria. I've attached a copy of this letter in PDF form to this email.

Please support this new endeavor, and help us out by improving availability of affordable housing in Victoria,

Respectfully submitted,

Calum Ramsay

City of Victoria 1 Centennial Square Victoria BC V8W 1P6

ATTN: Mayor & Council

Also emailed to: mayorandcouncil@victoria.ca, ajohnston@victoria.ca

Re: Development Proposal for 1224 Richardson St.

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Respectfully submitted,

Calum Ramsay

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From: stauft

Sent: June 23, 2020 11:03 AM

To: Victoria Mayor and Council; Alec Johnston **Subject:** Development Proposal for 1224 Richardson St.

Attachments: Letter.Vic.Council.pdf

City of Victoria 1 Centennial Square Victoria, BC V8W 1P6

Attention: Mayor & Council

Re: Development Proposal for 1224 Richardson St.

Dear Mayor & Council,

As as senior and current home owner in Fairfield (1355 Carnsew Street), I am intriqued and optimistic about the addition of a more affordable option for seniors in our neighborhood. I currently use Car Share, do not own a car, and ride cycles (and motorcycles) in part to support a green lifestyle.

This development looks to be both affordable and functional for a senior such as myself wishing to downsize. I would gladly move into a 450sq ft living space, without the added headache of yard upkeep and possibly to add a more social living environment.

While I guess I would prefer a more acoustically isolated structure than the currently proposed wood structure walk ups [concrete floors and walls assure better privacy and noise isolation], I might still be amenable to one of these units if I could be assured of peace and privacy. That said, I firmly believe well designed tiny living spaces are the way to go for both the young and old alike. The area is ideally suited to walk anywhere vital in Victoria in under half an hour.

Please support this development and increase the stock of affordable to buy homes in Victoria.

Sincerely,

John Stauft (M.B.A. B.A.Sc . Retired]

From: Ryan Jabs

Sent: June 23, 2020 2:22 PM **To:** Victoria Mayor and Council

Cc: Alec Johnston

Subject: Support for housing proposal at 1224 Richardson

Dear Mayor and Council:

My name is Ryan Jabs. I live at 1560 Oakland Ave. and am a small developer that focuses on proposing more missing middle housing in core Victoria.

I am supportive of the housing being proposed for 1224 Richardson, as it fits well within the fabric of the neighbourhood and will provide homes for people who want to work and live in the city.

In my view, this proposal aligns with city values as it offers gentle density in a neighbourhood that needs more homes, as well as relatively affordable home ownership in a neighbourhood that has become unaffordable to many. It will also cater – and, in fact, encourage – people who don't need or don't want to own or use a car to live a car free lifestyle by being in a walkable neighbourhood, with great bicycle amenities and with a car share vehicle on site.

There are relatively few of these types of missing middle projects being proposed in the city, as they often take more time and effort to be approved – and cost more per home to develop – compared to some of the large-scale developments that are proposed for the city.

However, these types of homes are more likely to foster strong community and family values compared to much larger multi-family buildings, as people within these buildings are more likely to recognize and get to know and support each other and their neighbours (regular eye contact is key!).

I am looking forward to the outcome of this proposal, as I consider how I can also provide more of this type of housing in the city.

Thank you for taking the time to read this letter.

Sincerely,

Ryan Jabs | President, Community Builder

Lapis Homes | www.lapishomes.com



From: Julian West

Sent: June 24, 2020 7:16 PM

To: Victoria Mayor and Council

Cc: Alec Johnston

Subject: Re: Development Proposal for 1224 Richardson St.

Dear Mayor & Council,

My name is Julian West. I am a small-scale developer and the Founder of Urban Thrive. I believe projects like the one proposed for 1224 Richardson Street are exactly what we need to become a thriving, sustainable city and I strongly urge you to endorse this project.

First, it's important to realize that housing policy is also climate policy. Every new home in the City of Victoria reduces the demand new suburbs in the Westshore and beyond – preserving forested lands, reducing car-dependency, commute times and transportation carbon emissions, to name just a few social benefits. There may be 13 municipalities in the region, but we are strongly interconnected and share one atmosphere.

Low-rise, wood-frame buildings like 1224 Richardson also have a dramatically lower carbon footprint (in construction and operation) compared to energy-intensive concrete & steel high-rises and sprawled single-detached suburban dwellings. This is by far the best type of housing we can build to reduce carbon emissions.

1224 Richardson welcomes households to the City of Victoria who would otherwise struggle to find realistic options, because of its affordability and unique neighbourhood-scale form. After all, there are a lot of people who don't want to live in a downtown high-rise and can't afford a single-family home.

Despite what some people may say, this type of housing also enhances neighbourhood fabric. Diverse housing types brings diverse people. Car-lite/car-free households are much more likely to shop locally and support local businesses. The additional tax revenue enables better maintenance of public infrastructure and amenities. Better, more-frequent transit service becomes more economically viable. The list goes on.

If Victoria is to achieve its housing and climate goals, we need to share our neighbourhoods and offer housing in all shapes and sizes. 1224 Richardson is exactly the type of development we need to achieve these goals and I sincerely hope you support this project.

Gratefully,

Julian West | www.UrbanThrive.ca

From: Colin Jerome

Sent: June 29, 2020 9:06 PM

To: Victoria Mayor and Council; Alec Johnston **Subject:** Proposed development at 1224 Richardson St

Dear Mayor and Council,

We are writing in support of the proposed development at 1224 Richardson Street. We live in Ladysmith, BC but are considering moving to Victoria if we can afford to purchase a home. We would like to buy one of the units at 1224 Richardson Street.

The proposed development of 3 Dockland-Style homes divided into 24 affordable, walk-up, 1 and 2 bedroom units enhances the neighbourhood and improves the stock of affordable housing available to purchase in Victoria.

With easy access to downtown and Cook St Village, bicycle and bus routes, this is an ideal location to gently increase the density and vitality of the neighbourhood, while respecting its current form and character.

Most importantly, at the proposed prices: \$330,000 for 1 bedroom units and \$420,000 for a 2 bedroom unit, we will be able to buy a home in Victoria.

Please support this development and increase the stock of affordable homes in Victoria.

Sincerely,
Colin and Marie Jerome

From: christine knussmann <cknussmann@gmail.com>

Sent: June 29, 2020 3:08 PM **To:** Victoria Mayor and Council

Cc: Alec Johnston

Subject: Re: Development Proposal for 1224 Richardson St.

Dear Mayor & Council,

I currently live at Linden Ave. and I would like to live in one of the units proposed for 1224 Richardson St. The proposed development, of 3 Rockland-style homes divided up into 24 affordable, walk-up, 1 and 2 bedroom units, enhances the neighborhood and improves the stock of affordable housing available to purchase in Victoria.

With easy access to downtown and Cook Street Village, bicycle and bus routes, this is an ideal location to gently increase the density and vitality of the neighbourhood, while respecting its current form and character.

I have been living in this neighborhood for over 15 years and would like to purchase my own place in the near future. At the proposed prices: \$330,000 for a 1 bedroom unit this would be the ONLY place, amongst the new developments in this neighborhood, I could afford.

Please support this development and increase the stock of affordable homes to buy in Victoria and help me to have a chance to stay in my beloved neighborhood.

Yours sincerely,

Christine

From: Douglas Curran

Sent: June 29, 2020 10:52 PM **To:** Victoria Mayor and Council

Subject: RE: ASH Proposal for 124 Richardson Street / July 2 Council Meeting

Attachments: RE-1224 Richardson ASH proposal.docx

Please see attached letter, regarding the development proposal for 1224 Richardson.

cheers, Douglas Curran

Douglas Curran 1161 Burdett Avenue Victoria, BC Canada V8V 3H3

dougcurran.photography

Douglas Curran – Photographer

1161 Burdett Avenue, Victoria BC, Canada V8V 3H3

June 27, 2020

Mayor and Council City of Victoria City Hall 1 Centennial Square V8W 1P6

RE: 124 Richardson ASH proposal

Mayor and council,

I am writing is support of the development of 1224 Richardso St. as a development of 3 houseplex structures for this location.

As a Fairfield community resident, I was engaged in the In-fill housing process for Fairfield, looking for viable responses to housing needs in this near downtown section of the city.

As has been long recognized, residents of this community are looking for workable designs that offer an expanded choice in housing forms, beyond the traditional single-family homes, while still preserving the scale and design elements of that traditional form.

The ASH concept (affordable, sustainable housing) is a lower cost concept that addresses many of the concerns we explored through our community working group and also through the Cook Street pop-up information centre. More directly, in the immediate neighbourhood of Rockland and Burdett Avenues, the ASH concept houseplexes of this scale were widely supported as a preferred choice to accommodate the budgets of first-time buyers, while reinforcing the scale and form most representative of this traditional part of Fairfield.

I urge Council to look carefully at the core aspects of this project and recognize the multiple ways in which this project answers Council's own ambitions for expanded housing within an affordable and innovative cost structure for infill housing in the traditional neighbourhood.

Regards, Douglas Curran

1161 Burdett Avenue

From: Denton Pendergast

Sent: June 29, 2020 12:51 PM

To: Victoria Mayor and Council

Subject: In support of Richardson project

Attachments: Richardson support letter.docx

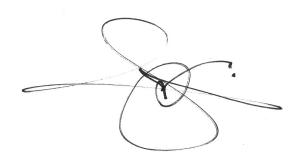
28 June, 2020

Mayor and Council,

I've been following the development and rezoning of 1224
Richardson with a great deal of interest. It would seem to me
that the project is a perfect use, not only for the land
configuration but for providing what seems to be reasonably
priced home ownership for a number of families and
individuals.

I hope the Mayor and council grasp this opportunity to move such meretricious project forward, both in and within itself, and as a new housing option for our forward thinking city.

Respectuflly



Denton Pendergast 406, 890 Academy Close Victoria, V8V 2Y1

Lisa Helps (Mayor)

From: Joel Bryan

Sent:June 29, 2020 3:57 PMTo:Lisa Helps (Mayor)Cc:Harry Newton

Subject: 1224 Richardson development support

Good Day,

I am writing today to voice my support for the proposed development at 1224 Richardson.

My family and I live on nearby Cornwall Street and commute to work and school by bike, foot and car almost daily past the proposed site.

The development seems to meet city plans for both density and affordable housing and would be a welcome addition to the neighbourhood where additional affordable units are very much needed.

Cheers, Joel Bryan 631 Cornwall St, Victoria, BC

From: Michael Richardson

Sent: June 29, 2020 7:37 PM **To:** Victoria Mayor and Council

Subject: 1224 Richardson

Mayor and Council,

I am writing in support of the rezoning and building of the multi-unit housing development at 1224 Richardson. It shows imaginative use of this oddly shaped piece of land in Fairfield. The proposed units fit within the surrounding streetscape and would be a welcome addition to the neighbourhood. The fact that it meets an affordability level is enough to 'seal the deal'.

M. Richardson 150 Wellington Avenue Victoria, BC.

Sent from my iPad

From: Rosa Harris

Sent: June 29, 2020 8:52 AM

To: Victoria Mayor and Council; Gene Miller **Subject:** In support of 1224 richardson proposal

To Mayor Helps and Victoria City Council

As a longstanding resident of the city, I want to put my full support behind the proposed development project at 1224 Richardson and the rezoning required to realize it.

A denser city is a more vibrant and functional city – provided such density is undertaken with respect. I believe that's the case in this instance. The prospective buildings are clearly designed to maintain the character of the neighbourhood. Just as important, erecting them would increase the stock of much-needed affordable housing in the city.

This well-thought-out enterprise, which makes clever and appropriate use of land, could serve as a template for future such undertakings in other neighbourhoods. Victoria needs to execute fresh ideas like this one.

Sincerely,

Rosa Harris 206-649 Bay Street Victoria V8T 5H8

From: Steve Woolrich

Sent: June 29, 2020 4:35 PM **To:** Victoria Mayor and Council

Subject: LETTER OF SUPPORT | DEVELOPMENT PROPOSAL | 1224 RICHARDSON STREET

Attachments: Letter of Support 1224 Richardson.pdf

Importance: High

Good Day,

Please find my Letter of Support for this exciting project attached.

Sincerely,

Steve



The world we shape is the world we touch - with our words, our actions, our dreams." - Ken Nerburn

PEOPLE PLACE CONNECTION



June 29, 2020

To Mayor and Council,

I'm writing to strongly support the proposed development and rezoning at 1224 Richardson Street.

As neighbourhoods throughout Victoria continue to explore new developments that will support affordable housing and well thought out designs that bridge the many concerns around density, this project meets the needs of the Rockfield/Fairfield area.

For over two decades I've been directly involved in reviewing land use applications, bylaws and designs, as they relate to community safety and wellbeing. This particular housing concept provides our city with a viable alternative worth considering. I feel it's imperative that people live in neighbourhoods that are healthy and safe, and don't compromise the character of their surroundings. This project is compelling, and strikes a great balance.

Sincerely,

Steve Woolrich

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From: Lucas De Amaral
Sent: June 30, 2020 9:26 AM

To: Richard Elliott

Subject: Fw: 1224 Richardson St letter of support

From: Erin Fisher

Sent: June 29, 2020 5:46 PM

To: Lisa Helps (Mayor) <LHelps@victoria.ca> **Subject:** 1224 Richardson St letter of support

Hello Mayor Lisa Helps and city council,

I'm a supporter of what you've done for lower income housing rentals and condo developments in the city, as well as the bike lanes and help for the homeless population throughout the pandemic.

I've been a music instructor at the Victoria Conservatory of Music for the last sixteen years, and during that time have found renting or buying in the city increasingly difficult.

Harry Newton is currently my landlord, and the buildings he's developed on Pemberton rd have stood out from everywhere else in terms of quality. I've been living in 1016 Pemberton for the last 8 years, and would very much like to see 1224 Richardson and developments like it go forward.

Thank you for your time,

Erin Fisher

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Erin Fisher

Victoria, BC, Canada

From: Gene Miller ■

Sent: June 30, 2020 8:07 AM **To:** Victoria Mayor and Council

Subject: 1224 Richardson

Attachments: Street View[1].jpg; Building B - North[1].jpg; Building B[1].jpg; Building

A[1].jpg

Dear Lisa,

Your Committee of the Whole agenda this Thursday (tomorrow) includes a land use item regarding 1224 Richardson Street: a proposal requiring rezoning.

The planner's report recommends that the proposal advance to public hearing, and in support of that outcome I want to bring a few of the project features to your attention.

The proposal is to develop a 55x360ft. lot as three new multi-suite 'houseplexes' with a total of 24 one- and two-bedroom apartment homes and surface parking, a Modo share-car, and secure bike parking. Each unit will have its own front door, meaning a stronger sense of home and no space (or cost) wasted in lobbies or corridors.

At the developer's initiative, in support of the case for housing affordability, these units will be offered for sale at a significant 10% below average comparable market prices. To avoid speculation, a buyer who sells in less than three years will be obliged to return half of any profits to the City of Victoria's housing affordability fund.

The buildings have been designed to fit—not fight—with the existing homes in the immediate area, and the property will be heavily landscaped. Vehicular access has been designed to utilize the 120 ft. of public lane beside the property (off Richardson), and not the balance of the lane which is privately and cooperatively owned.

We believe this proposal will offer affordable home ownership largely to move-up homebuyers (liberating rental units), and will provide the city with an innovative and significant study model for increasing density in neighbourhoods without damaging character. (See attached images.)

We hope this proposal merits your support.

Best,

Gene Miller











From:

Sent:

June 29, 2020 9:00 PM

To:

Victoria Mayor and Council

Subject:

Rezoning of 1224 Richardson

Attachments:

Mayor anc Council Richardson 1.pdf

To Mayor and Council,

Re: Rezoning proposal 1224 Richardson (There is a signed copy of my letter in the attachment below).

I want to voice my support of the proposed development and rezoning at 1224 Richardson.

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It is a sensible and considerate way to add to the density of this beautiful area. I also like the proposed covenant regarding the sale of the homes prior to the first three years.

I think this is an important housing idea and design that the city can consider for other areas.

Thank you,

Norma Butterfield

1201-21 Dallas Road, Victoria, BC V8V 4Z9

Richard Elliott	
From:	Norma Butterfield
Sent:	June 29, 2020 9:08 PM
To:	Victoria Mayor and Council
Subject:	Rezoning proposal for 1224 Richardson
Attachments:	Mayor anc Council Richardson 2.pdf
To Mayor and Coun	cil,
Re: Rezoning prop below).	osal 1224 Richardson (There is a signed copy of my letter in the attachment

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