

CITY OF ALBANY
PLANNING AND ZONING AGENDA
STAFF REPORT

Agenda date: April 12, 2011
Prepared by: JB

ITEM/ 6c

SUBJECT: **Planning Application #11-017. Design Review & Parking Waiver.** The applicant is requesting design review approval of a 530 square foot upgrade of the lower level to add two new bedrooms to the residence. A parking waiver is requested to allow one off-street parking space where normally two spaces would be required.

SITE: 1515 Francis

**APPLICANT/
OWNER:** Tim Larkin, Larkin Design Group for Douglas Booth

ZONING: R-1 (Residential Single Family)

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the Planning and Zoning Commission approve the application for design review and parking exception, subject to the attached findings and conditions of approval.

BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION

The subject property is a 1,960 square foot lot with an existing two-level single-family residence. The applicant is requesting design review approval of a 530 square foot upgrade of the lower level to add two new bedrooms to the residence. Windows and doors will be upgraded, but otherwise no changes to the exterior of the residence are proposed.

Design Review

The changes to the appearance of the structure are nominal. The issue raised by the application is the size of the lot and the corresponding floor area ratio that results from the proposed changes.

The maximum floor area ratio allowed by the Planning and Zoning Code (Section 20.24.050) is 0.55. The Commission can grant an exception up to 0.60 FAR in order to accommodate a home of 1,500 square feet. In this case, however, allowing 1,500 square feet will result in an FAR of 0.85.

There is no recent history of planning review at this location. Over the years, over the counter building permits have been issued to authorize modifications to the garage and existing bathroom in the lower level.

There are two alternative approaches that could be used:

- Legal Non-Conforming - There is no definitive documentation in the file regarding the City's historical intent for the lower level when the project was originally approved. The Commission could make a finding that the lower level is a legal non-conforming condition. In support of this approach is that the lower level windows appear to be original construction. The owner also has supporting information in property tax assessments. The Non-conforming Structures section of the Planning and Zoning Code (Section 20.44) allows for additions and alterations to residential properties.
- Variance - Alternatively, the Commission could deem the space as currently non-habitable, and consider the granting of a variance to allow the proposed FAR. The basis for granting the variance would be the small size of the lot. One consideration with the granting of a variance would be whether the Commission would be comfortable granting a variance beyond the 1,500 limit typically allowed in small lots. In addition to a variance, a parking waiver would be required to allow one off-street parking space where normally two spaces would be required.

On balance, staff would recommend treating the application as an existing legal non-conforming situation. Given that the proposal stays within the shell of the existing residence, the less stringent findings may be more appropriate. Furthermore, the result of the project is a three bedroom-two bath residence, which is in scale with the neighborhood.

Parking Exception

Currently there is a one-car garage. If the application is considered an addition of new habitable space, then the application triggers the requirement for a second parking space. In this case, it is not feasible to expand the garage within the structure or accommodate a car in the driveway. Thus, it appears the Commission could make the findings necessary for granting a parking exception.

Attachments:

1. Analysis of Zoning Requirements
2. Findings
3. Conditions of Approval
4. Application and Plans

ATTACHMENT 1 - ANALYSIS OF COMPLIANCE WITH ZONING REQUIREMENTS

20.12 Zoning Districts and Permitted Uses

General Plan: Low Density Residential
 Zoning: R-1 – Single-Family Residential: Hillside Overlay

20.16 Land Use Classifications

Two family dwelling

Surrounding North - SFR East – SFR
 Property Use South - SFR West – Access to Terrace Park

20.20.080 Secondary Residential Units.

Not applicable.

20.24.020 Table of Site Regulations by District.

	Existing (approx.)	Proposed Construction (approx.)	Requirement
Setbacks			
Front (south)	7' 1"	7' 1"	15'
Side (west)	5' 10"	5' 10"	5' 0"
Side (east)	10'	10'	5' 0"
Rear (north)	3'	3'	20"
Area			
Lot Size	1,960	1,960	--
Lot Coverage	49%	49%	50%
Maximum Height	20'	20'	28' max.

20.24.030 Overlay District Regulations.

Not applicable.

20.24.040 Hillside Residential Regulations.

Not applicable.

20.24.050 Floor-Area-Ratio.

	Existing (approx.)	Proposed	Requirement
Lot Size	1,960	1,960	--
Floor Area			
Lower Level	430	960	--
Main Level	960	960	
Total	960	1,920	--
Total Counted*	1,390	1,672	--
Floor Area Ratio*	0.71	0.83	55%

* 188 square feet of garage and 60 square feet of internal stair exempted from FAR calculations.

20.24.060 Setback Areas, Encroachments.

Not applicable.

20.24.100 Distances between Structures.

Not applicable.

20.24.110 Fences, Landscaping, Screening.

Not applicable.

20.24.130 Accessory Buildings.

Not applicable.

20.28 Off-Street Parking Requirement.

See Summary of Key Issues.

20.40 Housing Provisions

Not applicable.

20.44 Non-conforming Uses, Structures and Lot

Not applicable.

20.48 Removal of Trees

Not applicable.

20.52 Flood Damage Prevention Regulations

Not applicable.

20.100.030 Use Permits.

Not applicable.

20.100.040 Variances.

Not applicable.

20.100.010 Common Permit Procedures.

Public notice of this application was mailed on April 1, 2011, in the form of mailed notice, to property owners and occupants within a 100-foot radius, and posted in three locations.

20.100.050 Design Review.

See Summary of Key Issues.

ATTACHMENT 2 – FINDINGS

Findings for Design Review approval (Per section 20.100.050.E of the AMC)

Required Finding	Explanation
<p>1. <i>The project conforms to the General Plan, any applicable specific plan, applicable design guidelines adopted by the City of Albany, and all applicable provisions of this Chapter.</i></p>	<p>The General Plan designates this area for residential development. Additionally, the project meets City zoning standards for location, intensity and type of development.</p>
<p>2. <i>Approval of project design is consistent with the purpose and intent of this section, which states “designs of projects...will result in improvements that are visually and functionally appropriate to their site conditions and harmonious with their surroundings, including natural landforms and vegetation. Additional purposes of design review include (but are not limited to): that retention and maintenance of existing buildings and landscape features are considered; and that site access and vehicular parking are sufficient.”</i></p>	<p>The proposal is in scale and harmony with existing development near the site. The architectural style, design and building materials are consistent with the City’s Residential Design Guidelines. The project will not create a visual detriment at the site or the neighborhood.</p>
<p>3. <i>Approval of the project is in the interest of public health, safety and general welfare.</i></p>	<p>The proposed project will not be detrimental to the health, safety, convenience and welfare of those in the area and would not adversely affect property, improvements or potential future development in the area.</p>
<p>4. <i>The project is in substantial compliance with applicable general and specific Standards for Review stated in Subsection 20.100.050.D.</i></p>	<p>The project as designed is in substantial compliance with the standards as stated, including harmonious materials, and well proportioned massing .</p>

Findings for Parking Exceptions (Per section 20.28.040.A.2 of the AMC)

Required Finding	Explanation
1. <i>Required spaces cannot be located in front or side yards.</i>	The structure is set back approximately 4 feet from the property line.
2. <i>Space is not available to provide required parking facilities without undue hardship.</i>	The applicant would have to lift the entire structure and move it back on the lot to meeting parking standards. This is exceeding difficult and an "undue hardship." Since no major changes are proposed to the existing structure.
3. <i>Provision of required parking spaces would be disruptive to landmark trees or would severely restrict private outdoor living space on the site.</i>	Not applicable.
4. <i>Creation of new off-street spaces would require the elimination of an equivalent or higher number of on-street parking spaces.</i>	There is already an existing two-car garage set into the hillside, and expansion of the width or depth of the garage would involve substantial grading, which would reduce on-street parking by an equivalent amount.
5. <i>The proposed reduction in parking requirements is appropriate to the total size of the dwelling unit upon completion of the proposed addition.</i>	The existing driveway is 16 to 20 feet in length from the garage door to the sidewalk, and will remain open and functional for cars to utilize for parking.

ATTACHMENT 3

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL

GENERAL PROJECT CONDITIONS

- Gen-1 **Project Approval.** This Design Review approval is for property at 1515 Francis, as substantially shown and described on the project plans, except as may be modified by conditions herein. Plans include preliminary master site plan prepared by Tim Larkin, Larkin Design Group, date received April 5, 2011, architectural plans (project perspectives, building sections, and floor plans, all as presented to the Planning and Zoning Commission on April 12, 2011. For any condition herein that requires preparation of a Final Plan where the project developer has submitted a conceptual plan, the project developer shall submit final plan(s) in substantial conformance with the conceptual plan, but incorporate the modifications required by the conditions herein for approval by the City.
- GEN-2 **Project Approval Expiration.** This Design Review approval expire on April 26, 2012 (one year from the date on which this approval becomes effective) or at an alternate time specified as a condition of approval, unless [a building permit has been issued and construction diligently pursued; a certificate of occupancy has been issued; the use is established; the use permit, variance or design review approval is renewed]. The approval may be renewed by the Community Development Director for a period up to an additional two (2) years, provided that, at least ten (10) days before expiration of one (1) year from the date when the approval becomes effective, an application for renewal of the approval is filed with the Community Development Department. The Community Development Director may grant a renewal of an approval where there is no change in the original application, or there is no request to change any condition of approval.
- Gen-3 **Fees.** The applicant shall pay all City and other related fees applicable to the property, as may be modified by conditions herein. Fees shall be based on the current fee structure in effect at the time the relevant permits are secured, and shall be paid before issuance of said permit or before any City Council final action approval. Notice shall be taken specifically of Plan Check, Engineering, Fire and Inspection Fees. The project developer shall also reimburse the City for direct costs of planning; building and engineering plan check and inspection, as mutually agreed between the City and developer.
- GEN-4 **Appeals.** The Albany Municipal Code provides that any action of the Planning staff may be appealed to the Planning and Zoning Commission, and any action of the Planning and Zoning Commission may be appealed to the City Council as per the procedures described in Section 20.100.080. The City Clerk will then schedule the matter for the next available City Council meeting.

- GEN-5 **Requirement for Building Permit.** Approval granted by the Planning and Zoning Commission does not constitute a building permit or authorization to begin any construction or demolish an existing structure. An appropriate permit issued by the Community Development Department must be obtained before constructing, enlarging, moving, converting, or demolishing any building or structure within the City.
- GEN-6 **Fire Department Approval.** As part of a building permit application, the applicant shall submit written documentation that all requirements of the Albany Fire Department have, or will be, met to the satisfaction of the AFD.
- GEN-7 **Engineering Approval.** As part of a building permit application, the applicant shall submit written documentation that all requirements of the Public Works Department have, or will be, met to the satisfaction of the City Engineer.
- GEN-8 **Construction Hours.** Construction activity shall be restricted to the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Mondays through Saturdays, and 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Sundays and legal holidays, unless otherwise approved in writing by the City Engineer for general construction activity. Failure to comply with construction hours may result in stop work orders or other administrative actions.
- GEN-9 **Archeological Remains.** In the event subsurface archeological remains are discovered during any construction or preconstruction activities on the site, all land alteration work within 100 feet of the find shall be halted, the Community Development Department notified, and a professional archeologist, certified by the Society of California Archeology and/or the Society of Professional Archeology, shall be notified. Site work in this area shall not occur until the archeologist has had an opportunity to evaluate the significance of the find and to outline appropriate mitigation measures, if deemed necessary. If prehistoric archeological deposits are discovered during development of the site, local Native American organizations shall be consulted and involved in making resource management decisions.
- GEN-10 **Modifications to Approved Plans.** The project shall be constructed as approved. Planning staff may approve minor modifications in the project design, but not the permitted land use (per MC 20.12). A change in an item requiring discretionary approval and any other changes deemed appropriate by the Planning staff shall require further Planning and Zoning Commission approval through the Design Review process.
- GEN-11 **Hold Harmless Agreement.** Pursuant to Government Code Section 66474.9, the applicant (including any agent thereof) shall defend, indemnify, and hold harmless, the City of Albany and its agents, officers and employees, from any claim, action, or proceeding against the City or its agents, officers or employees to attack, set aside, void, or annul the City's approval concerning this application, which action is brought within the time period provide for in Section 66499.37.

The City will promptly notify the applicant of any such claim action or proceeding and cooperate fully in the defense.

- GEN-12 **Public Improvements Standards.** Public improvements shall be designed and constructed in accordance with the City's Standard Specifications and Standard Details, unless specifically waived in writing by the City Engineer.
- GEN-13 **Title 24 Standards.** All construction shall be designed and built in accordance with California Title 24 handicap accessibility standards. Appropriate details and specifications shall be incorporated into the plans and submitted at time of building permit application.
- GEN-14 **Energy Conservation Standards.** All buildings shall be designed in accordance with the State of California energy conservation standards for non-residential buildings. The necessary plans and documentation shall be submitted at time of building permit application.

ARCHITECTURE CONDITION

- ARCH-2 **Final Architectural Drawings.** The applicant shall submit final architectural elevations, details and revisions for the review and approval of the Community Development Department as part of building permit application.
- ARCH-4 **Non-Reflective Glazing.** Any glazing material shall be non-reflective.

LIGHTING CONDITIONS

- LGHT-1 **Exterior Lighting.** All exterior lighting shall be installed in such a manner that glare is directed away from surrounding properties and rights-of-way. If required, exterior light fixtures shall be equipped with "cut off" lenses to minimize light and glare spill over onto adjacent properties.
- LGHT-2 **Shielding of Lighting.** Prior to the certificate of occupancy, all accent lighting shall be directed downward and, if necessary, fixed with cut-off lenses to ensure that no glare spills onto neighboring properties.

LANDSCAPING CONDITIONS

- LNDS-1 **Street Tree Requirement.** The applicant shall apply for one street tree before the issuance of the building permit. The City's Environmental Resource Assistance will determine the type and location of the tree and may waive this requirement if site conditions will not reasonably support establishment of a new tree.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT CONDITIONS

GENERAL ENGINEERING CONDITIONS

- ENGR-1 **Title Report.** n/a.
- ENGR-2 **Geo-Technical Report.** The applicant shall submit, as part of a building permit application, a geotechnical investigation report prepared by a California certified engineering geologist and geotechnical engineer, if determined necessary by the City Engineer. The investigation shall specifically address any hazards of surface fault rupture in accordance with the Alquist-Priolo Special Study Zones Act. Any mitigation measures or conditions requiring further review noted during the Planning process shall be fully addressed prior to plan check.
- ENGR-3 **Backflow Device.** Any required water service for fire protection purposes shall be equipped with a City approved backflow device. Services for irrigation purposes also require a separate City approved backflow prevention device.

GRADING CONDITIONS

- GRAD-1 **Grading Permit.** Any grading required in association with the project shall require a grading permit from the Community Development Department. To obtain this permit, the applicant shall submit a grading plan, indicating the extent and volumes of earth proposed to be moved. A grading permit is subject to 2001 California Building, Appendix 33.
- GRAD-2 **Demolition Permit.** Site demolition shall not occur until construction permits are issued for the development project. All demolition shall be in accordance with permits issued by the City and Bay Area Air Quality Management District (BAAQMD).
- GRAD-3 **Water on Site.** The site shall be graded so as to prevent rainfall runoff originating from improved areas on the project site from crossing onto adjoining private property. Building floor elevations shall be above the FEMA-mapped 100-year flood plain as established by a licensed civil engineer. Provide the elevation and compaction certificates during and upon the completion of grading required by the Uniform Building Code and in conformance with the recommendations of the geotechnical engineer's report. Shore and dewater all excavations in accordance with the requirements of the geotechnical engineer's report.
- GRAD-4 **Flooding Damages.** The project developer shall execute an assumption of risk, indemnification and hold harmless agreement as required by the City. The agreement, in substance, shall state that the project developer, and any successor in interest, shall assume all risk for damages to the project and to project improvements, flooding caused by surface water intrusion, stormwater runoff, or water under the ground surface pressing on or flowing or seeping through foundations, walls, floors, or paved surfaces, basements, whether paved or not, or windows, doors or other openings, and shall indemnify and hold the City harmless from any claims of such damages, including third-party claims, of such damage or

of such damages or of damages arising from rainfall runoff which is not prevented from leaving the project site in violation of Condition GRAD-3.

- GRAD-5 **Dust Control Program.** A dust control program shall be prepared by the project developer and approved by the Community Development Department and City Engineer before issuance of a grading permit. The dust control plan shall address such items as covering stockpiled material, frequent watering of graded areas, revegetating graded areas, speed limits for grading equipment and similar items.
- GRAD-6 **Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan.** The project developer shall submit a Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP) for review by the City before the issuance of a building or grading and/or building permit. The SWPPP shall be consistent with standards adopted by the Regional Water Quality Control Board and the City of Albany Clean Water Program and implemented by the project general contractor, all subcontractors and suppliers of material and equipment. Construction site cleanup and control of construction shall also be addressed in the SWPPP. The project developer shall be responsible for SWPPP compliance. A copy of the SWPPP shall be kept at the construction site at all times.

INFRASTRUCTURE CONDITIONS

- INFR-1 **Sewer System Requirements.** The sewer system for the subject building shall comply with Chapter 15 of the Albany Municipal Code and to the satisfaction of the City Engineer before Final Inspection approval of the construction permit.
- INFR-2 **Two-Way Cleanout.** Installation of a two-way curbside cleanout shall be required per Chapter 15 of the Albany City Code. This applies to all properties, including properties with a valid upper sewer lateral certificate of compliance. All 2-way curbside clean outs shall be fitted with a loose cap in accordance with the City's standard detail SS6.
- INFR-3 **Property Run-off Requirements.** All runoff from impervious surfaces shall be intercepted at the project boundary and shall be collected and conducted via an approved drainage system through the project site to an approved storm drain facility, as determined by the City Engineer. Development that contributes additional water to the existing drainage system shall be required to complete a hydraulic study and make improvements to the system as required to accommodate the expected ultimate peak water flow and to stabilize erosive banks that could be impacted by additional storm water flow.
- INFR-4 **Roof Drainage.** Roof drainage from the structure shall be collected via a closed pipe and conveyed to an approved storm drain system off the street curb. No concentrated drainage of surface flow across sidewalks shall be permitted. Alternative natural treatment measures are subject review and approval by the City Engineer.

- INFR-5 **Hydraulic Calculations.** The applicant shall submit hydraulic calculations, prepared by a California licensed civil engineer, necessary to determine if the existing water and sewer mains that serve this lot have available capacity for the addition of the proposed development. If capacity is not available, sewer and water mains of adequate size shall be designed and secured prior to issuance of building permits and constructed in a manner acceptable to the City Engineer prior to occupancy release, unless determined otherwise by the City Engineer.
- INFR-6 **Completion of Off-Site Improvements.** Off-site improvements, as required by the City Engineer, shall be complete before issuance of a Certificate of Occupancy unless alternatives are approved in writing by the Albany City Engineer.

PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS CONDITIONS

- PUBIM-1 **Encroachment Permit.** The applicant shall obtain an encroachment permit from the Engineering Division before commencing any construction activities within any public right-of-way or easement.
- PUBIM-2 **Debris Removal.** All mud, dirt or construction debris carried off the construction site onto adjacent streets shall be removed each day. No materials shall be discharged onto a sidewalk, street, gutter, storm drain or creek.
- PUBIM-3 **Damage to Street Improvements.** Any damage to street improvements now existing or done during construction on or adjacent to the subject property, shall be repaired to the satisfaction of the City Engineer at the full expense of the applicant. This shall include sidewalk repair, slurry seal, street reconstruction or others, as may be required by the City Engineer.
- PUBIM-4 **Right-of-Way Construction Standards.** All improvements within the public right-of-way, including curb, gutter, sidewalks, driveways, paving and utilities, shall be reconstructed in accordance with approved standards and/or plans and shall comply with the standard plans and specification of the Community Development Department and Chapter 14 of the City Code.

FIRE DEPARTMENT CONDITIONS

- FIRE-1 **Construction of 1,500 Square Feet or Greater.** 1500 sq. ft. or more or any addition, remodel, rehabilitation, etc. is 50% of the existing sq. ft.:
- a) This dwelling will be required install an Automatic Fire Extinguishing System throughout the entire dwelling. Ordinance No. 94-010, Albany Municipal Code, Chapter 11, Section 11-2.3a(3)(a).
 - b) Plans, information sheets on all sprinkler components and hydraulic calculations are required.
 - c) A 110-volt interconnected smoke alarm system with a 10-year lithium battery back-up is acceptable with a fire suppression system.

FIRE-2 **Fire Rated Construction.** Any portion of a building five (5) feet or less from the property line shall comply with fire-rating requirements of the CBC.

FIRE-3 **Gallons-per-Minute Requirement.** The water system for fire protection shall comply with City of Albany Fire Department standards. Fire flow test data and water system plans must be provided at time of building plan check. The plans must include all equipment, components and layout of the system. Private fire protection water systems shall be supplied through an approved backflow device per City Engineering Division standards.

Structural Control Measures

STRUC-1 **Illegal Dumping to Storm Drain Inlets and Waterways.** On-site storm drain inlets shall be clearly marked with the words “No Dumping! Flows to Bay,” or equivalent, using methods approved by the City of Albany.

STRUC-2 **Pesticide/Fertilizer Application Landscaping** shall be designed to minimize irrigation and runoff, promote surface infiltration where appropriate, and minimize the use of fertilizers and pesticides that can contribute to stormwater pollution. If a landscaping plan is required as part of a development project application, the plan shall meet the following conditions related to reduction of pesticide use on the project site:

- a) Where feasible, landscaping shall be designed and operated to treat stormwater runoff by incorporating elements that collect, detain, and infiltrate runoff. In areas that provide detention of water, plants that are tolerant of saturated soil conditions and prolonged exposure to water shall be specified.
- b) Plant materials selected shall be appropriate to site specific characteristics such as soil type, topography, climate, amount and timing of sunlight, prevailing winds, rainfall, air movement, patterns of land use, ecological consistency and plant interactions to ensure successful establishment.
- c) Existing native trees, shrubs, and ground cover shall be retained and incorporated into the landscape plan to the maximum extent practicable.
- d) Proper maintenance of landscaping, with minimal pesticide use, shall be the responsibility of the property owner.

OPERATIONAL BEST MANAGEMENT PRACTICES (BMPs)

BMP-GEN1 **Stormwater Pollution Prevention Control Measures.** The project plans shall include stormwater pollution prevention and control measures for the operation and maintenance of the project during and after construction for the review and approval of the City or County Engineer. The project plan shall identify Best Management Practices (BMPs) appropriate to the uses conducted on-site in order to limit to the maximum extent practicable the entry of pollutants into stormwater runoff.

- BMP-GEN2 **Erosion Control Measures.** The project plan shall also include erosion control measures to prevent soil, dirt and debris from entering the storm drain system, in accordance with the practices outlined in the ABAG *Erosion and Sediment Control Handbook*, California Storm Water Best Management Practice Handbooks, and Regional Water Quality Control Board's *Erosion and Sediment Control Field Manual*
- BMP-GEN3 **Responsibility of Contractors.** The applicant is responsible for ensuring that all contractors and subcontractors are aware of and implement all stormwater quality control measures. Failure to comply with the approved construction BMPs shall result in the issuance of correction notices, citations and/or a project stop order.
- BMP-1 **Paved Sidewalks and Parking Lots.** Sidewalks and parking lots shall be swept regularly to prevent the accumulation of litter and debris. Debris resulting from pressure washing shall be trapped and collected to prevent entry into the storm drain system. Washwater containing any soap, cleaning agent or degreaser shall be collected and discharged to the sanitary sewer and shall not be discharged to a storm drain. The applicant shall contact the City Engineer for specific connection and discharge requirements.
- BMP-2A **Private Streets, Utilities and Common Areas.** The owner of private streets and storm drains shall prepare and implement a plan for street sweeping of paved private roads and cleaning of all storm drain inlets.

GENERAL CONSTRUCTION BEST MANAGEMENT PRACTICES (BMPs)

- BMP-CNST1 **Construction Access Routes.** Construction access routes shall be limited to those approved by the City Engineer and shall be shown on the approval grading plan.
- BMP-CNST2 **Collection of Construction Debris.** Gather all construction debris on a regular basis and place them in a dumpster or other container, which is emptied or removed on a weekly basis. When appropriate, use tarps on the ground to collect fallen debris or splatters that could contribute to stormwater pollution.
- BMP-CNST3 **Removal of Waste.** Remove all dirt, gravel, rubbish, refuse and green waste from the sidewalk, street pavement, and storm drain system adjoining the project site. During wet weather, avoid driving vehicles off paved areas and other outdoor work.
- BMP-CNST4 **Sweeping of Public Right-of-Way.** Broom sweep the sidewalk and public street pavement adjoining the project site on a daily basis. Caked on mud or dirt shall be scraped from these areas before sweeping.

- BMP-CNST5 **Filter Materials at Storm Drain Inlet.** Install filter materials (such as sandbags, filter fabric, etc.) at the storm drain inlet nearest the downstream side of the project site prior to:
- a) start of the rainy season (October 1);
 - b) site dewatering activities;
 - c) street washing activities;
 - d) saw cutting asphalt or concrete; and
 - e) order to retain any debris or dirt flowing into the City storm drain system.
- Filter materials shall be maintained and/or replaced as necessary to ensure effectiveness and prevent street flooding. Dispose of filter particles in the trash.
- BMP-CNST6 **Containment of Materials.** Create a contained and covered area on the site for the storage of bags of cement, paints, flammables, oils, fertilizers, pesticides, or any other materials used on the project site that have the potential for being discharged to the storm drain system by wind or in the event of a material spill.
- BMP-CNST7 **Cleaning of Equipment.** Never clean machinery, tools, brushes, etc., rinse containers into a street, gutter, storm drain, or stream. See the *Building Maintenance/ Remodeling* flyer for more information.
- BMP-CNST8 **Minimize Removal of Natural Vegetation.** Minimize removal of natural vegetation or ground cover from the site in order to minimize the potential for erosion and sedimentation problems. Replant the area as soon as possible. All cut and fill slopes shall be stabilized as soon as possible after grading is completed. No site grading shall occur between October 1 and April 15 unless approved erosion and sedimentation control measures are in place.

SPECIAL CONDITIONS

None

Appeals: The Albany Municipal Code provides that any action of the Planning and Zoning Commission may be appealed to the City Council, if such appeal is filed within 14 days of the date of the action. Appeals may be filed in the Community Development Department by completing the required form and paying the required fee. The City Clerk will then schedule the matter for the next available City Council meeting.

Planning Application #. 11-020

Date Received 4/5/2011
 Fee Paid: 1784.00
 Receipt #: 170055



City of Albany

PLANNING APPLICATION FORM

Please complete the following application to initiate City review of your application. Please be aware that staff may have additional application requirements. For projects requiring Planning and Zoning Commission review, please schedule an appointment with Planning Division staff. The Community Development Department office is open to accept applications Monday, 8:30 AM to 7:00 PM, Tuesday through Thursday 8:30 AM to 5:00 PM, and Friday 8:30 AM to 12:30 PM at 1000 San Pablo Avenue, Albany, CA 94706 (510) 528-5760

Fee Schedule (FY 2009-2010)

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Design Review*	\$1,784 / Admin \$639
<input type="checkbox"/> Parking Exceptions/Reductions - see separate handout*	\$Actual Cost/Min \$1,784
<input type="checkbox"/> Conditional Use Permit (major)*	\$Actual Cost/Min \$1,784
<input type="checkbox"/> Conditional Use Permit (minor)*	\$620
<input type="checkbox"/> Sign Permit	\$1,185/\$423 Admin
<input type="checkbox"/> Temporary/Seasonal Conditional Use Permit*	\$300
<input type="checkbox"/> Parcel/Subdivision Map; Lot Line Adjustment, Condo Conversion*	\$Actual Cost/Min \$1,784
<input type="checkbox"/> Secondary Residential Unit*	\$455
<input type="checkbox"/> Planned Unit Development*	\$1,784
<input type="checkbox"/> Variance*	\$1,784
<input type="checkbox"/> Other(s): _____	\$ _____

*When obtaining more than one planning approval, the full amount for the highest fee will apply and 1/2 fee will be charged for any other ones. General Plan Update Fee \$45 included in the fees above. This fee only needs to be paid once for each separately submitted application.

Job Site Address. <u>1915 FRANCIS ST</u>		Zoning District. <u>R-1</u>
Property Owner(s) Name: <u>DOUGLAS BOOTH</u>	Phone: <u>415 412 0768</u> Fax:	Email: <u>DOUGLAS@NICHOLSBOOTH.COM</u>
Mailing Address. <u>874 INDIAN ROCK AVE.</u>	City:	State/Zip: <u>94707</u>
Applicant(s) Name (contact person): <u>LARKIN DESIGN TIM LARKIN</u>	Phone: <u>510.847.7751</u> Fax: <u>510.526.7469</u>	Email: <u>TLARKIN.BERKELEY@GMAIL.COM</u>
Mailing Address. <u>1405 JOSEPHINE ST</u>	City: <u>BERKELEY</u>	State/Zip: <u>CA 94703</u>

PROJECT DESCRIPTION (Please attach plans if required) _____
REPLACE & WATERPROOF FOUNDATION
& CONCRETE SLAB
REMODEL BASEMENT/GROUND FLOOR WITH
NEW WINDOWS

PROJECT ADDRESS: 1515 FRANCIS ST.

GENERAL INFORMATION (Please fill out this Chart or attach separate plans with information)

Item	Existing	Proposed
Lot Size? (Express in square feet)	1,960	1,960
Gross square footage of all building area (including detached & accessory buildings, garages, etc)	1,800	1,800
What is the Floor Area Ratio (FAR) (see handout on how to measure for residential projects)	47% FARMS RULES 74%	47% NEW RULES 74%
What is your lot coverage?	49%	49%
What is the amount of impervious surface on the lot?	335	335
What is the maximum height of the building? (see handout on how to measure for residential projects)	19'	19'
How many dwelling units are on your property?	1	1
How many off-street parking spaces do you have? (front yard parking is not counted unless previously approved by the City)	1	1
What are the dimensions of parking spaces? (give interior dimensions of enclosed parking spaces)	17'-11" ft x 10'-6" ft	17'-11" ft x 10'-6" ft
What is the narrowest width of your driveway?	8'-10"	8'-10"
Minimum setbacks from structure to property line		
Front yard:	7'-1"	7'-1"
Side yards:	5'-10 ³ / ₄ " / 3'-1"	5'-10 ³ / ₄ " / 3'-1"
Rear Yard:	10'-0" 10'-0"	10'-0"

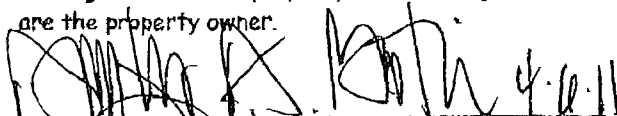
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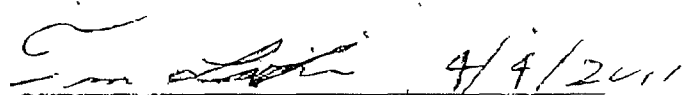
I, the undersigned owner (or authorized agent) of the property herein described, hereby make application for approval of the plans submitted and made part of this application in accordance with the provisions of the City's ordinances, and I hereby certify that the information given is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief

I understand that the requested approval is for my benefit (or that of my principal). Therefore, if the City grants the approval with or without conditions, and that action is challenged by a third party, I will be responsible for defending against this challenge. I therefore agree to accept this responsibility for defense at the request of the City and also agree to defend, indemnify and hold the City harmless from any costs, claims, penalties, fines, judgments, or liabilities arising from the approval, including without limitation, any award or attorney's fees that might result from the third party challenge.

For this purposes of this indemnity, the term "City" shall include the City of Albany, its officers, officials, employees, agents and representatives. For purposes of this indemnity, the term "challenge" means any legal or administrative action to dispute, contest, attack, set aside, limit, or modify the approval, project conditions, or any act upon which the approval is based, including any action alleging a failure to comply with the California Environmental Quality Act or other laws.

The signature of the property owner is required for all projects. By executing this form you are affirming that you are the property owner.


 Signature of Property Owner Date 4/9/11


 Signature of Applicant (if different) Date 4/9/2011



City of Albany

Green Building Program Rating System for Remodeling Projects Supplemental Application Form

Project Address: 1515 FRANCIS ST

Checklist Prepared By: TIM LARKIN

Date Prepared: APRIL 2, 2011

	INPUT	Resources	Energy	IAQ/Health
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A Site

1 Recycle Job Site Construction & Demolition Waste 65% = 1 point, 75% = 2 points, 80% = 4 points	up to 4 Resource pts			
2 Salvage Reusable Building Materials	4 Resource pts y=yes	4		
3 Remodel for Mixed Use, Adaptive Reuse, and Historic Preservation	4 Resource pts y=yes			
4 Protect Native Soil	2 Resource pts y=yes			
5 Minimize Disruption of Existing Plants & Trees	1 Resource pt y=yes			
6 Implement Construction Site Stormwater Practices	2 Resource pts y=yes			
7 Protect Water Quality with Landscape Design	2 Resource pts y=yes			
8 Design Resource-Efficient Landscapes and Gardens	4 Resource pts y=yes			
9 Reuse Materials/Use Recycled Content Materials for Landscape Areas	2 Resource pts y=yes			
10 Install High-Efficiency Irrigation Systems	2 Resource pts y=yes			
11 Provide for On-Site Water Catchment / Retention	2 Resource pts y=yes			

B. Foundation

1 Incorporate Recycled Flyash in Concrete 25% Recycled Flyash = 2 points, Add 1 point for every 10% increase of flyash, up to 5 points	up to 5 Resource pts	3		
2 Use Recycled Content Aggregate	2 Resource pts y=yes			
3 Insulate Foundation/Slab before backfill	3 Energy pts y=yes		3	

C. Structural Frame

1 Substitute Solid Sawn Lumber with Engineered Lumber	3 Resource pts y=yes			
2 Use FSC Certified Wood for framing (For every 10% of FSC lumber used = 2 points, up to 10)	up to 10 Resource pts			
3 Use Wood I-Joists for Floors and Ceilings	2 Resource pts y=yes			
4 Use Web Floor Trusses	2 Resource pts y=yes			
5 Design Energy Heels on Trusses 6" or more	2 Energy pts y=yes			
6 Use Finger-Jointed Studs for Vertical Applications	2 Resource pts y=yes			
7 Use Engineered Studs for Vertical Applications	2 Resource pts y=yes			
8 Use Recycled Content Steel Studs for Interior Framing	2 Resource pts y=yes			
9 Use Structural Insulated Panels (SIPs)				
a Floors	3 Energy pts y=yes			
b Wall	3 Energy pts y=yes			
c Roof	3 Energy pts y=yes			
10 Apply Advanced Framing Techniques	4 Resource pts y=yes			

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11 Use Reclaimed Lumber for Non Structural Applications	3 Resource pts	y=yes				
12. Use OSB						
a Subfloors	1 Resource pt	y=yes				
b Sheathing	1 Resource pt	y=yes				

D Exterior Finish

1 Use Sustainable Decking Materials						
a Recycled content	3 Resource pts	y=yes				
b. FSC Certified Wood	3 Resource pts	y=yes				
2 Use Treated Wood That Does Not Contain Chromium/Arsenic	1 IAQ/Health pt	y=yes				
3 Install House Wrap under Siding	1 IAQ/Health pt	y=yes				
4 Use Fiber-Cement Siding Materials	1 Resource pt	y=yes				

E. Plumbing

1 Install Water Heater Jacket	1 Energy pt	y=yes				
2 Insulate Hot and Cold Water Pipes	2 Energy pts	y=yes			2	
3 Retrofit all Faucets and Showerheads with Flow Reducers						
a Faucets (1 point each, up to 2 points)	Up to 2 Resource pts			2		
b Showerheads (1 point each, up to 2 points)	Up to 2 Resource pts			2		
4 Replace Toilets with Ultra-Low Flush Toilets (1 point each, up to 3 points)	Up to 3 Resource pts			2		
5 Install Chlorine Filter on Showerhead	1 IAQ/Health pt	y=yes				
6 Convert Gas to Tankless Water Heater	4 Energy pts	y=yes				
7 Install Water Filtration Units at Faucets (2 points each, up to 4 points)	Up to 4 IAQ/Health pts					
8 Install On-Demand Hot Water Circulation Pump	4 Resource pts	y=yes		4		

F. Electrical

1 Install Compact Fluorescent Light Bulbs (CFLs) LED						
(6 bulbs=2 points, 10 bulbs =3 points, 12 bulbs = 4 points)	Up to 4 Energy pts				2	
2 Install IC-AT Recessed Fixtures with CFLs (1 point each, up to 5 points)	Up to 5 Energy pts					
3 Install Lighting Controls (1 point per fixture, up to 4 points)	Up to 4 Energy pts				1	
4 Install High Efficiency Ceiling Fans with CFLs (1 point each, up to 4 points)	Up to 4 Energy pts					

G. Appliances

1. Install Energy Star Dishwasher NA	1 Energy pt	y=yes				
2 Install Washing Machine with Water and Energy Conservation Features	1 Energy pt	y=yes			1	
3 Install Energy Star Refrigerator NA	1 Energy pt	y=yes				
4 Install Built-In Recycling Center NA	3 Resource pts	y=yes				

H. Insulation

1 Upgrade Insulation to Exceed Title 24 Requirements						
a Walls	2 Energy pts	y=yes				
b Ceilings	2 Energy pts	y=yes				
2 Install Floor Insulation over Crawl Space	4 Energy pts	y=yes				
3 Install Recycled-Content, Fiberglass Insulation with No Added Formaldehyde	3 IAQ/Health pts	y=yes				

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4	Use Advanced Infiltration Reduction Practices	2 Energy pts	y=yes		2	
5	Use Cellulose Insulation					
	a Walls	4 Resource pts	y=yes			
	b Ceilings	4 Resource pts	y=yes			
6	Alternative Insulation Products (Cotton, spray-foam)				4	
	a Walls	4 Resource pts	y=yes			
	b Ceilings	4 Resource pts	y=yes			
I. Windows						
1	Install Energy-Efficient Windows				1	
	a Double-Paneled	1 Energy pt	y=yes			
	b Low-Emissivity (Low-E)	2 Energy pts	y=yes		2	
	c Low Conductivity Frames	2 Energy pts	y=yes			
2	Install Low Heat Transmission Glazing	1 Energy pt	y=yes			
J. Heating Ventilation and Air Conditioning						
1	Use Duct Mastic on All Duct Joints	2 Energy pts	y=yes			
2	Install Ductwork within Conditioned Space	3 Energy pts	y=yes			
3	Vent Range Hood to the Outside	1 IAQ/Health pt	y=yes			
4	Clean all Ducts Before Occupancy	2 IAQ/Health pts	y=yes			
5	Install Solar Attic Fan	2 Energy pts	y=yes			
6	Install Attic Ventilation Systems	1 Energy pt	y=yes			
7	Install Whole House Fan	4 Energy pts	y=yes			
8	Install Sealed Combustion Units					
	a Furnaces	3 IAQ/Health pts	y=yes			
	b Water Heaters	3 IAQ/Health pts	y=yes			3
9	Replace Wall-Mounted Electric and Gas Heaters with Through-the-Wall Heat Pumps	3 Energy pts	y=yes			
10	Install 13 SEER/11 EER or higher AC with a TXV	3 Energy pts	y=yes			
11	Install AC with Non-HCFC Refrigerants	2 Resource pts	y=yes			
12	Install 90% Annual Fuel Utilization Efficiency (AFUE) Furnace	2 Energy pts	y=yes			
13	Retrofit Wood Burning Fireplaces					
	a Install EPA certified wood stoves/inserts	1 IAQ/Health pt	y=yes			
	b Install/Replace Dampers	1 Energy pt	y=yes			
	c Install Airtight Doors	1 Energy pt	y=yes			
14	Install Zoned, Hydronic Radiant Heating	3 Energy pts	y=yes		3	
15	Install High Efficiency Filter	4 IAQ/Health pts	y=yes			
16	Install Heat Recovery Ventilation Unit (HRV)	5 IAQ/Health pts	y=yes			
17	Install Separate Garage Exhaust Fan	3 IAQ/Health pts	y=yes			
K Renewable Energy and Roofing						
1	Pre-Plumb for Solar Water Heating	4 Energy pts	y=yes			
2	Install Solar Water Heating System	10 Energy pts	y=yes			
3	Pre-Wire for Future Photovoltaic (PV) Installation	4 Energy pts	y=yes			
4	Install Photovoltaic (PV) System					
	(1 2 kw = 6 points, 2 4 kw = 12 points, 3 6 kw = 18 points)	Up to 18 Energy pts				
6	Select Safe and Durable Roofing Materials	1 Resource pt	y=yes			
7	Install Radiant Barrier	3 Energy pts	y=yes			

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L. Natural Heating and Cooling				
1 Incorporate Passive Solar Heating	5 Energy pts y=yes			
2 Install Overhangs or Awnings over South Facing Windows	3 Energy pts y=yes			
3 Plant Deciduous Trees on the West and South Sides	3 Energy pts y=yes			
M. Indoor Air Quality and Finishes				
1 Use Low/No-VOC Paint	1 IAQ/Health pts y=yes			1
2 Use Low VOC, Water-Based Wood Finishes	2 IAQ/Health pts y=yes			2
3 Use Low/No VOC Adhesives	3 IAQ/Health pts y=yes			3
4 Use Salvaged Materials for Interior Finishes	3 Resource pts y=yes			
5 Use Engineered Sheet Goods with no added Urea Formaldehyde	6 IAQ/Health pts y=yes			6
6 Use Exterior Grade Plywood for Interior Uses	1 IAQ/Health pts y=yes			
7 Seal all Exposed Particleboard or MDF	4 IAQ/Health pts y=yes			
8 Use FSC Certified Materials for Interior Finish	4 Resource pts y=yes			
9 Use Finger-Jointed or Recycled-Content Trim	1 Resource pts y=yes			
10 Install Whole House Vacuum System	3 IAQ/Health pts y=yes			
N. Flooring				
1 Select FSC Certified Wood Flooring	8 Resource pts y=yes			
2 Use Rapidly Renewable Flooring Materials	4 Resource pts y=yes			
3 Use Recycled Content Ceramic Tiles	4 Resource pts y=yes			
4 Install Natural Linoleum in Place of Vinyl	5 IAQ/Health pts y=yes			
5 Use Exposed Concrete as Finished Floor	4 Resource pts y=yes	4		
6 Install Recycled Content Carpet with Low VOCs	4 Resource pts y=yes			
O City of Albany Incentives				
1 Additions less than 50% increase in floor area	20 Resource pts y=yes	20		
2 Additions less than 200sq ft or resulting in less than 1,500sq ft	10 Resource pts y=yes			
3 Seismic upgrade of existing building	25 Resource pts y=yes	25		
4 For having a hybrid or zero emissions vehicle	2 IAQ/Health pts y=yes			
5 For having no automobile	5 Resource pts y=yes			
6 Plant more than one street tree when feasible	2 IAQ/Health pts y=yes			
7 Earthquake kit	2 IAQ/Health pts y=yes			

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