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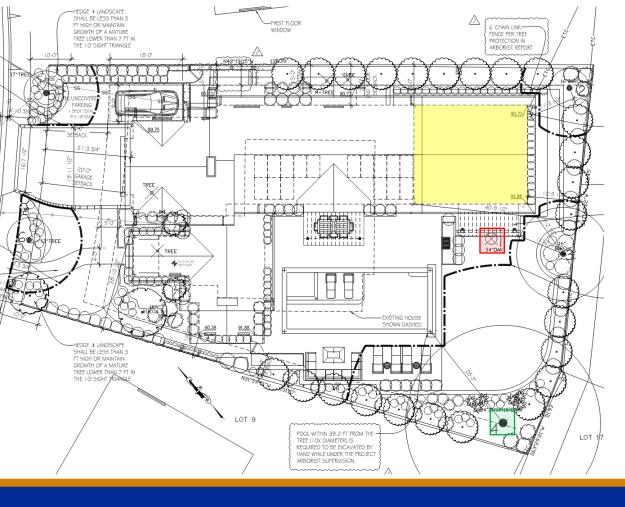
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# PROJECT DESCRIPTION





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- Demolition of existing residence
- Proposed removal of one protected tree
- Proposed residence:
  - 3,910 sq. ft.
  - Two stories
  - 798 sq. ft. ADU

General Plan and Zoning Code

**Entitlements** 

**Design Review** 

State Law

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- General Plan Land Use Single Family
- R1-B (One Family Dwellings)

	Proposed	Maximum
Floor Area Ratio	0.37*	0.37
Square Footage	3,910 sq. ft.*	3,911 sq. ft.
Building Height	27′-10 ½″	32'
Units	1 + ADU	1 + ADU + JADU

Setbacks	Proposed	Minimum
Front	21'-3 ¾"	15'
Front (Garage)	20′	20′
Left Side	5′	5′
Right Side	5′	5′
Rear	40'-9 ¼"	15′

<sup>\*</sup>Floor Area Ratio and Square Footage exclude ADU sq. ft. per Zoning Code

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#### Special Use Permit (SUP)

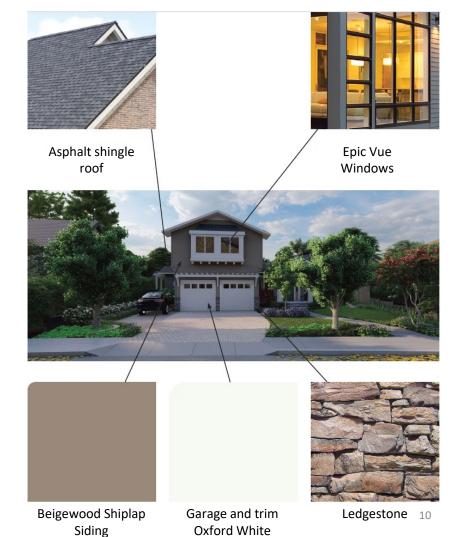
- Substantial removal of existing residence
- Demolition of 50% or more of exterior walls and/or roof
- Single Family Dwelling Design Review (SFDDR)
  - For a proposed new single-family residence

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General Plan and Zoning Code

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#### Senate Bill 330 (SB330) Preliminary Application

- No more than five (5) public hearings
- City cannot impose new ordinances, policies, and standards after the preliminary application is submitted

#### Housing Accountability Act (HAA)

City cannot deny, reduce density of, or render housing development projects infeasible if objective standards are met

**Historic Analysis** 

**Design Review** 

**Protected Tree Removal** 

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#### **Historic Analysis**

- Historic Resource Evaluation June 14, 2021
  - 1933 Spanish Revival
  - Not individually eligible
  - Baywood is not a fully documented historic district
  - Residence could be a potential contributor to a potential district
- 1989 Historic Building Survey and Office of Historic Preservation Letter (1990)
  - Identifies neighborhoods, including Baywood, may be register eligible
- April 18, 2022 Neighborhood Historic Assessment
  - Incomplete survey
  - Does not identify boundary or contributors

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#### **Design Review**

- Second-story placement
- Massing
- Building height







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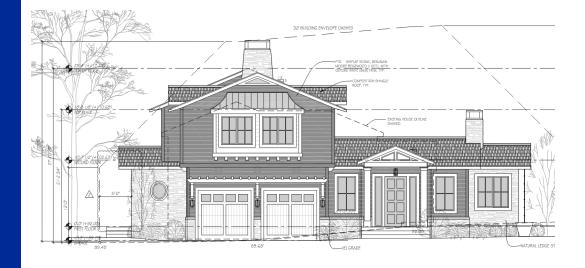
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#### **Design Review**

Transitional Architecture



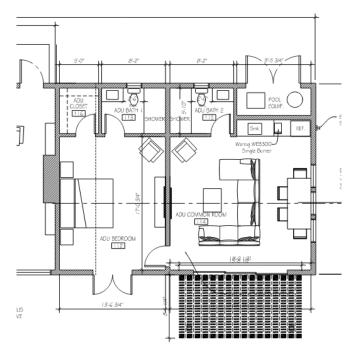
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#### **Design Review**

- Accessory Dwelling Unit
  - Attached
  - 798 sq. ft.



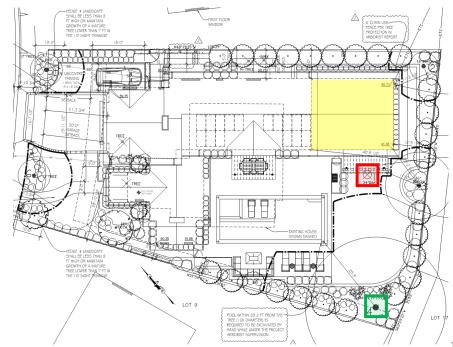
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#### **Protected Tree Removal**

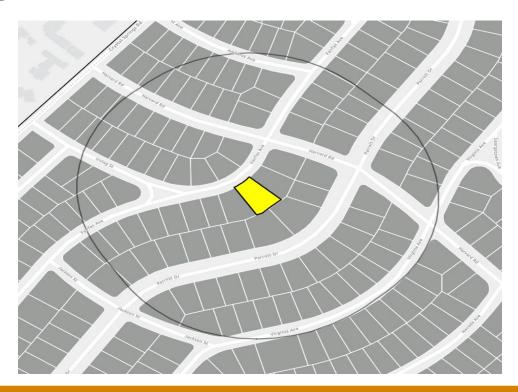
- 33-inch Coast Live Oak tree
- Condition of Approval #9 for tree removal



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# **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

- Public Noticing
  - Addresses within 500 ft. radius and interested parties list
  - Placard
  - Newsletter
- Public Comments
  - Support comments
    - Meets code
    - Fits neighborhood
  - Opposing comments
    - Historic resource impacts
    - Design review
    - Protected tree removal
    - ADU size



# ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION

- California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA)
- Categorically exempt
  - Class 1 Section 15301(I)(1)
    - Demolition and removal of one single-family residence
  - Class 3 Section 15303(a)
    - New construction of one single-family residence

## RECOMMENDATION

Adopt a Resolution to approve the Special Use Permit and Single-Family Dwelling Design Review for construction of a single-family residence, with an attached ADU at 415 Fairfax Avenue; and accept the Categorical Exemption from environmental review based on the Findings for Approval and subject to the Conditions of Approval.

# Thank You

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