

## SAN FRANCISCO PLANNING DEPARTMENT

## **Discretionary Review Abbreviated Analysis**

HEARING DATE: OCTOBER 18, 2012

Date:	October 11, 2012
Case No.:	2012.0910D
Project Address:	2055 – 2057 Green Street
Permit Application:	2012.01.12.2157
Zoning:	RH-2 (Residential House, Two-Family)
	40-X Height and Bulk District
Block/Lot:	0556/026
Project Sponsor:	Emmanuel Pun
1 Tojeci Sponsor.	$477 \frac{1}{2} - 4^{\text{th}}$ Avenue
	San Francisco, CA 94118
	Salt Flancisco, CA 94116
Project Representati	ve:
	David Marlatt
	161 Natoma Street
	San Francisco, CA 94105
Staff Contact:	Sara Vellve – (415) 588-6263

1650 Mission St. Suite 400 San Francisco. CA 94103-2479

Reception: 415.558.6378

Fax: 415.558.6409

Planning Information: 415.558.6377

Staff Contact:	Sara Vellve – (415) 588-6263
	<u>sara.vellve@sfgov.org</u>
Recommendation:	Do not take DR and approve

## PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The proposal is to expand the partial fourth floor 20 feet towards the rear of the subject building. The east side of the addition would angle to provide a side setback of between four and eight feet next to the DR requestor's lightwells. The addition would match a lightwell on the adjacent structure to the west. The addition would be set back from the rear building wall by approximately 10 feet.

## SITE DESCRIPTION AND PRESENT USE

The site is an up-sloping lot from front to rear and contains a four-story, two-unit residential building. The subject building is four stories at the street; however, the fourth story is approximately 48 feet deep while the lower stories are generally 78 feet deep.

## SURROUNDING PROPERTIES AND NEIGHBORHOOD

Surrounding properties along Green Street are generally three to four stories in height. Some buildings were constructed with a full fourth floor while others have partial fourth floors, which in some cases have been extended. The adjacent structure to the east was originally constructed with a full fourth floor and the adjacent structure to the west appears to be constructed with a partial fourth floor that has been expanded.

## BUILDING PERMIT NOTIFICATION

ТҮРЕ	REQUIRED PERIOD	NOTIFICATION DATES	DR FILE DATE	DR HEARING DATE	FILING TO HEARING TIME
311 Notice #1	30 days	5/30/2012 – 6/28/2012	6/28/2012	10/18/2012	111 days
311 Notice #2	15 days	7/30/2012 – 8/13/2012	6/28/2012	10/18/2012	66 days

• A second 15-day Section 311 neighborhood notification was required as the sponsor revised the proposal to address the DR requestor's concerns.

#### HEARING NOTIFICATION

ТҮРЕ	REQUIRED PERIOD	REQUIRED NOTICE DATE	ACTUAL NOTICE DATE	ACTUAL PERIOD
Posted Notice	10 days	10/8/2012	10/5/2012	12 days
Mailed Notice	10 days	10/8/2012	10/8/2012	10 days

### PUBLIC COMMENT

	SUPPORT	OPPOSED	NO POSITION
Adjacent neighbor(s)	0	1 (DR requestor)	0
Other neighbors on the			
block or directly across	0	1 (Vallejo Street)	0
the street			
Neighborhood groups	0	0	0

One neighbor whose building fronts on Vallejo Street is concerned that the addition will block views north towards the bay from lower units in the building.

### DR REQUESTOR

Jeff and Christina Larsen, 2049 Green Street. Adjacent neighbors to the east, who live on the fourth floor of that building.

## DR REQUESTOR'S CONCERNS AND PROPOSED ALTERNATIVES

See attached Discretionary Review Application, dated June 28, 2012.

### PROJECT SPONSOR'S RESPONSE TO DR APPLICATION

See attached Response to Discretionary Review, dated October 11, 2012.

### ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

The Department has determined that the proposed project is exempt/excluded from environmental review, pursuant to CEQA Guideline Section 15301 (Class One - Minor Alteration of Existing Facility, (e) Additions to existing structures provided that the addition will not result in an increase of more than 10,000 square feet).

#### **RESIDENTIAL DESIGN TEAM REVIEW**

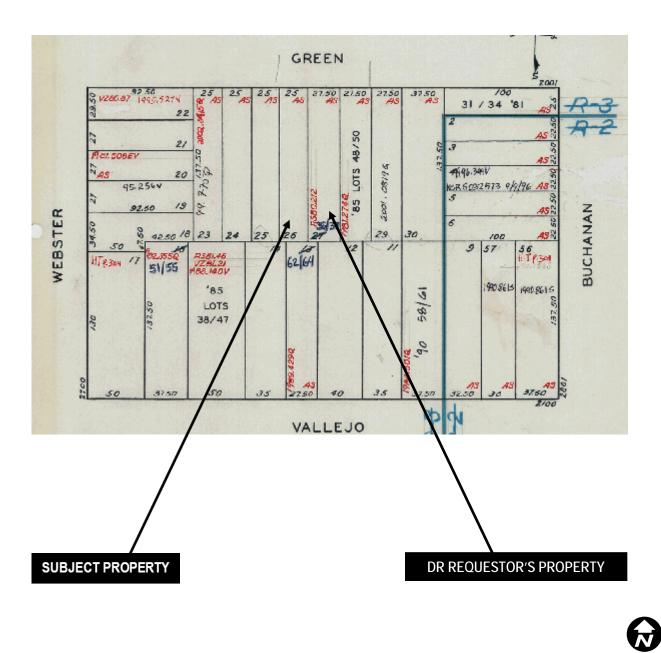
The Residential Design Team reviewed the proposal on September 13, 2012 and found that the project created no exceptional or extraordinary conditions. The proposal matches existing lightwells on the DR Requestor's building, and meets the intent of the *Residential Design Guidelines* for preservation of light and air to the neighbor's property. Mid-block open space is preserved as the proposal is less than, or equal to, the DR Requestor's building in height and depth.

Under the Commission's pending DR Reform Legislation, this project would not be referred to the Commission as this project does not contain or create any exceptional or extraordinary circumstances.

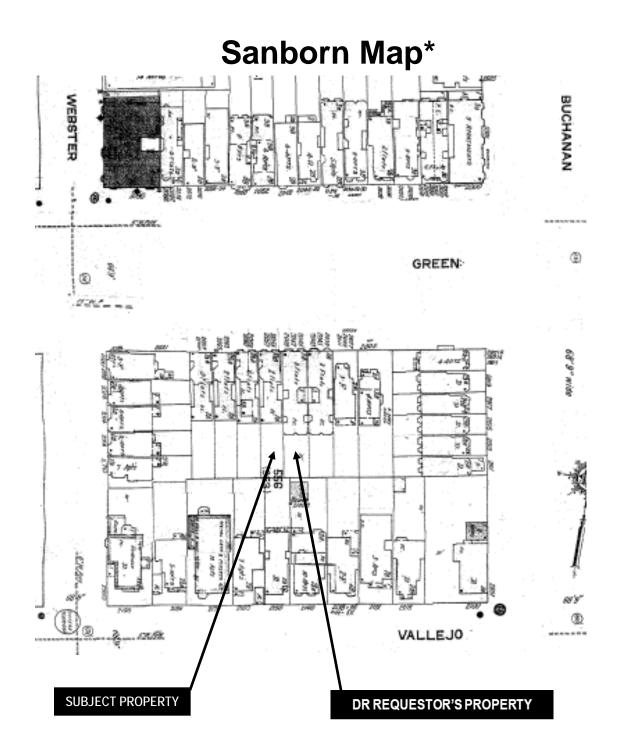
#### **RECOMMENDATION:** Do not take DR and approve

Attachments: Block Book Map Sanborn Map Zoning Map Aerial Photographs Context Photographs Section 311 Notice (the sponsor prefers the revised project which required a 15-day notice) DR Application Response to DR Application dated October 10, 2012 Reduced Plans DR Requestor's Submittal

## **Block Book Map**



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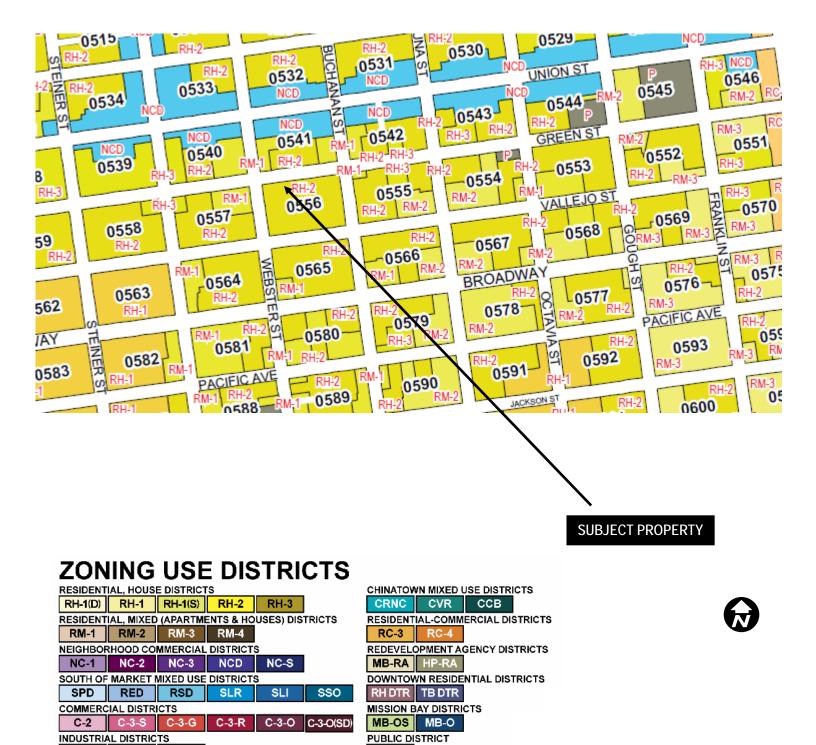


\*The Sanborn Maps in San Francisco have not been updated since 1998, and this map may not accurately reflect existing conditions.



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## **Zoning District Map**



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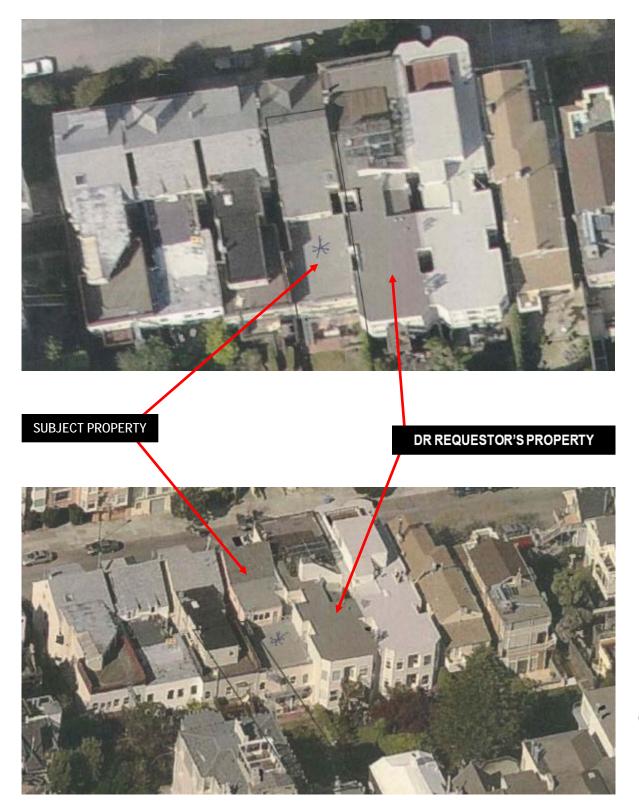
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## **Aerial Photos**



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## **Context Photo from Rear Yard**



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1650 Mission Street Suite 400 San Francisco. CA 94103

## NOTICE OF BUILDING PERMIT APPLICATION (SECTION 311) 15-Day Notice

On January 12, 2012, the Applicant named below filed Building Permit Application No. 2012.01.12.2157 (Alteration) with the City and County of San Francisco.

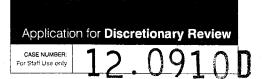
С	ONTACT INFORMATION	PROJECT	SITE INFORMATION
Applicant:	Emmanuel Pun	Project Address:	2055 – 2057 Green Street
Address:	477½ - 4 <sup>th</sup> Avenue	Cross Streets:	Webster/Buchanan Streets
City, State:	San Francisco, CA 94118	Assessor's Block /Lot No.:	0556/026
Telephone:	(415) 221-3338	Zoning Districts:	RH-2 /40-X

Under San Francisco Planning Code Section 311, you, as a property owner or resident within 150 feet of this proposed project, are being notified of this Building Permit Application. You are not obligated to take any action. For more information regarding the proposed work, or to express concerns about the project, please contact the Applicant above or the Planner named below as soon as possible. If your concerns are unresolved, you can request the Planning Commission to use its discretionary powers to review this application at a public hearing. Applications requesting a Discretionary Review hearing must be filed during the **15-day** review period, prior to the close of business on the Expiration Date shown below, or the next business day if that date is on a week-end or a legal holiday. If no Requests for Discretionary Review are filed, this project will be approved by the Planning Department after the Expiration Date.

	PROJECT SCOPE	
[] DEMOLITION and/or	[] NEW CONSTRUCTION or	[X] ALTERATION
[] VERTICAL EXTENSION	[] CHANGE # OF DWELLING UNITS	[] FACADE ALTERATION(S)
[] HORIZ. EXTENSION (FRONT)	] HORIZ. EXTENSION (SIDE)	[X] HORIZ. EXTENSION (REAR)
PROJECT FEATURES	EXISTING CONDITION	ON PROPOSED CONDITION
BUILDING USE	Two Family Dwelling	
FRONT SETBACK		
SIDE SETBACKS	As Is	No Change
BUILDING DEPTH		
REAR YARD		
HEIGHT OF BUILDING	As Is	No Change
NUMBER OF STORIES	As Is	No Change
NUMBER OF DWELLING UNITS	2	
NUMBER OF OFF-STREET PARKING SPA		
	PROJECT DESCRIPTION	

The proposal has been revised since the original neighborhood notification, which expired on June 28, 2012. The current proposal is to construct a modified rear horizontal addition on the fourth floor of the subject building per the enclosed plans. As revised, the addition would extend 20' from the existing fourth-floor rear wall, to the west side building wall, and would angle back from the east side building wall.

PLANNER'S NAME:	Sara Vellve		
PHONE NUMBER:	(415) 558-6263	DATE OF THIS NOTICE:	7/30/2012
EMAIL:	Sara.vellve@sfgov.org	EXPIRATION DATE:	8/13/2012



## APPLICATION FOR Discretionary Review

1. Owner/Applicant Information

DRAPPLICANT'S NAME: Jeff Larsen		
DR APPLICANT'S ADDRESS:	ZIP CODE:	TELEPHONE:
2049 Green St	94123	(415) 775-3396
PROPERTY OWNER WHO IS DOING THE PROJECT ON WHICH YOU ARE REQUEST	TING DISCRETIONARY REVIEW NAME:	
Lorraine Kelly	·	
ADDRESS: 2055-57 Green St	ZIP CODE:	TELEPHONE: ( <b>4//5~</b> )
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CONTACT FOR DR APPLICATION:	,	
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E-MAIL ADDRESS:		
Jeff@JLarsen.het		
. Location and Classification		
STREET ADDRESS OF PROJECT:		ZIP CODE:
2055-2057 Green		94123
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Webster/Buchanan		
ASSESSORS BLOCK/LOT: LOT DIMENSIONS: LOT AREA (SQ FT):	ZONING DISTRICT:	HEIGHT/BULK DISTRICT:
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Project Description	-	
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Additions to Building: Rear 🗹 Front 🗌 Heigh	nt 🗌 🛛 Side Yard 🗌	,
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Proposed Use: <u><i>Rental</i></u>		
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4. Actions Prior to a Discretionary Review Request

Prior Action	YES	NO
Have you discussed this project with the permit applicant?		
Did you discuss the project with the Planning Department permit review planner?	E.	
Did you participate in outside mediation on this case?		Ø

## 5. Changes Made to the Project as a Result of Mediation

If you have discussed the project with the applicant, planning staff or gone through mediation, please summarize the result, including any changes there were made to the proposed project.

applirant has filed a revised plan, planner said that would need be a separate application. Revision is slight improvement

#### Application for Discretionary Review

For Staff Use only

## **Discretionary Review Request**

In the space below and on separate paper, if necessary, please present facts sufficient to answer each question.

- What are the reasons for requesting Discretionary Review? The project meets the minimum standards of the Planning Code. What are the exceptional and extraordinary circumstances that justify Discretionary Review of the project? How does the project conflict with the City's General Plan or the Planning Code's Priority Policies or Residential Design Guidelines? Please be specific and site specific sections of the Residential Design Guidelines.
- turrent froposed height / bulk completely blocks light to sole window next door, and blocks light to all bedrooms (3)

- Applicant's current construction has released hazardous substance (lead dust), without taking mixigation measures

- Applicant has history of excessive duration, Neighbor obstruction, and purking permit abuse. Project hus gove on for 5+ years

2. The Residential Design Guidelines assume some impacts to be reasonable and expected as part of construction. Please explain how this project would cause unreasonable impacts. If you believe your property, the property of others or the neighborhood would be adversely affected, please state who would be affected, and how:

The San Francisco has a the lowest % of families with children Han among major metro areas. (SF. Chronicle, 218 3/8/12). Projects such as this block light and any from 2 children's bedrooms Lours and the Unit below), and essentially forces families to leave the city.

3. What alternatives or changes to the proposed project, beyond the changes (if any) already made would respond to the exceptional and extraordinary circumstances and reduce the adverse effects noted above in question #1?

Include the bedroom addition (westhalf) even it extends further back, and delete the "study"

## Applicant's Affidavit

Under penalty of perjury the following declarations are made:

a: The undersigned is the owner or authorized agent of the owner of this property.

Owner

- b: The information presented is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.
- c: The other information or applications may be required.

Signature:

Date: 6/28/12

Print name, and indicate whether owner, or authorized agent:

Jeffrey Larsen Owner / Authorized Agent (circle one)

# Discretionary Review Application Submittal Checklist

Applications submitted to the Planning Department must be accompanied by this checklist and all required materials. The checklist is to be completed and signed by the applicant or authorized agent.

REQUIRED MATERIALS (please check correct column)	DR APPLICATION
Application, with all blanks completed	
Address labels (original), if applicable	Ð
Address labels (copy of the above), if applicable	Ø
Photocopy of this completed application	
Photographs that illustrate your concerns	24 192 112 2 122 2 122 2
Convenant or Deed Restrictions	
Check payable to Planning Dept.	Ŀ
Letter of authorization for agent	
Other: Section Plan, Detail drawings (i.e. windows, door entries, trim), Specifications (for cleaning, repair, etc.) and/or Product cut sheets for new elements (i.e. windows, doors)	

NOTES:

Poptional Material.

 ${igcar}$  Two sets of original labels and one copy of addresses of adjacent property owners and own ty across street proper

For Department Use Only Application received by Planning Department:

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6.28.17 Date:

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## SAN FRANCISCO PLANNING DEPARTMENT

**RESPONSE TO DISCRETIONARY REVIEW** 1650 Mission St. Suite 400 Case No.: 12 - 0910 D San Francisco, CA 94103-2479 Building Permit No.: 2012-01-12-2157 Reception: Address: 2055-57 Green St. 415.558.6378 Far Lorraine Kelley 415.558.6409 Project Sponsor's Name: \_ Telephone No.: <u>415-921-2459</u> (for Planning Department to contact) Planning information: 415.558.6377 Given the concerns of the DR requester and other concerned parties, why do you feel your proposed project should be approved? (If you are not aware of the issues of concern to the DR requester, please meet the DR requester in addition to reviewing the attached DR application. plan iteration increases increases property line setback End from 4 ft minimum to 8 ft maximum Econect light analysis done by David Marlatt AIA shows 55 Eduction in visible sky to windows in Larsen's lightwell shows 5% inting (pointed front of 2055-57 Green in May 2012) is Neal Si certified to remove paint EPA lead project Luration has been lengthy because of severe health issues usband, bonald Kelley. There has been No partine permit abuse, What alternatives or changes to the proposed project are you willing to make in severe health issues of my order to address the concerns of the DR requester and other concerned parties? If you have already changed the project to meet neighborhood concerns, please explain those changes. Indicate whether the changes were made before filing your application with the City or after filing the application. a Mended the nitial plan have generous (4ft to entire addition. C4ft to 86 setback T Sethack 15 for oroperty Une between my property ano If you are not willing to change the proposed project or pursue other alternatives, please state why you feel that your project would not have any adverse effect on the surrounding properties. Please explain your needs for space or other personal requirements that prevent you from making the changes requested by the DR requester.

have amended the plan all wind light available +0 ight neighbors light inhibition Shows IGKT reguarble frim additi on 4th floor nee ded 50 th in San Francisco. with children can live XX. 10/10/2012

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If you have any additional information that is not covered by this application, please feel free to attach additional sheets to this form.

Please supply the following information about the proposed project and the existing improvements on the property.

Number of	Existing	Proposed	
Dwelling units (only one kitchen per unit –additio kitchens count as additional units) Occupied stories (all levels with habitable rooms		2	
Basement levels (may include garage or window storage rooms)	less		
Parking spaces (Off-Street)	4	<u>_6</u>	A.
Gross square footage (floor area from exterior wall to exterior wall), not including basement and parking are Height	as <u>A</u> an	ding 32	e safe
Building Depth	Jame	e Sam	e
Most recent rent received (if any) Projected rents after completion of project	Unkn	med a	
Current value of property Projected value (sale price) after completion of p		2.27	
(if known)		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	

I attest that the above information is true to the best of my knowledge.

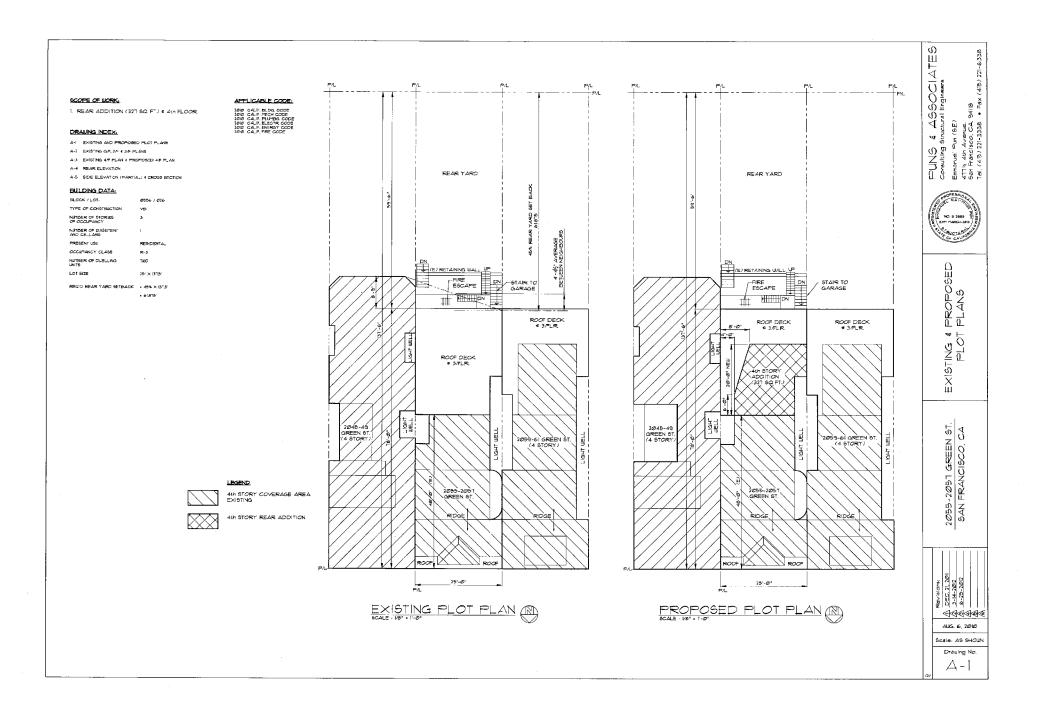
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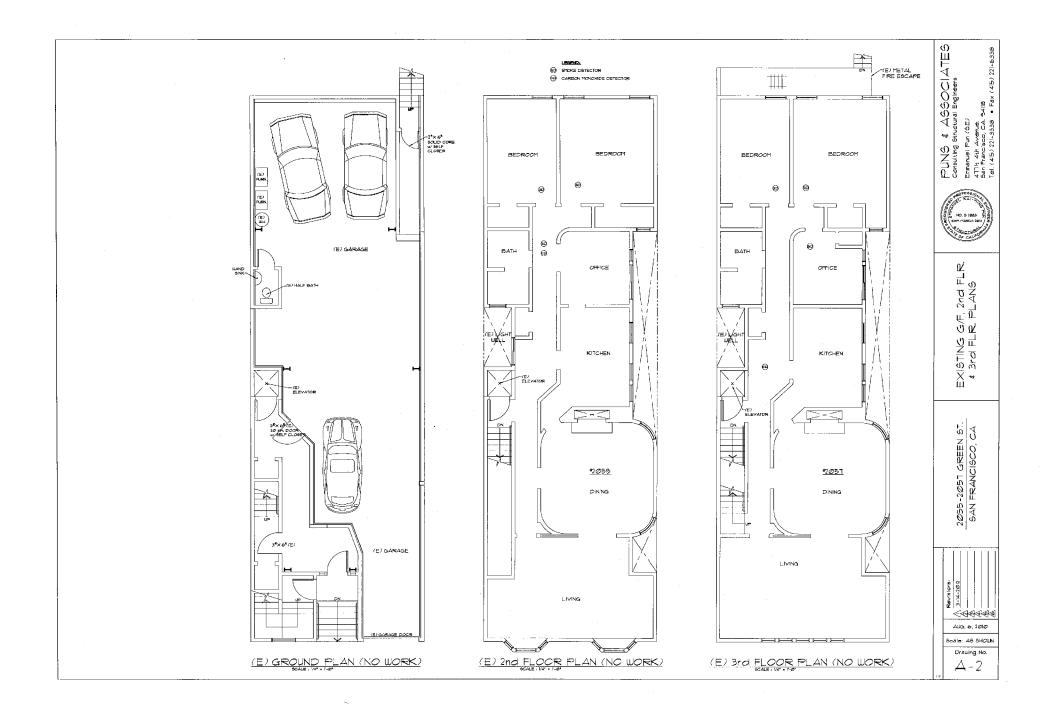
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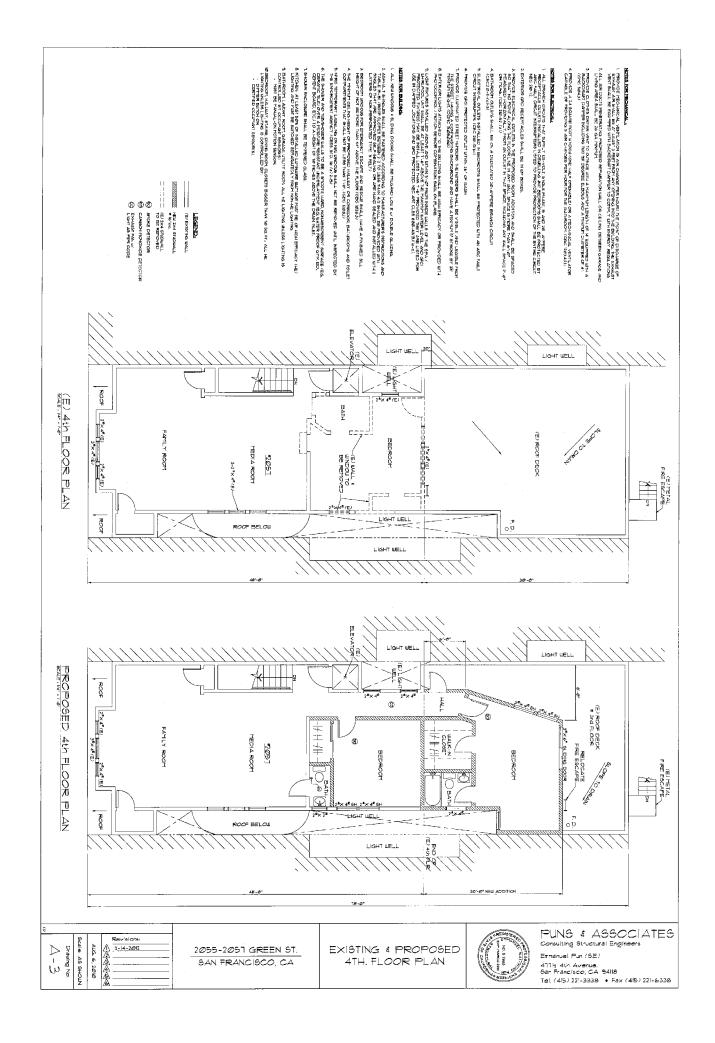
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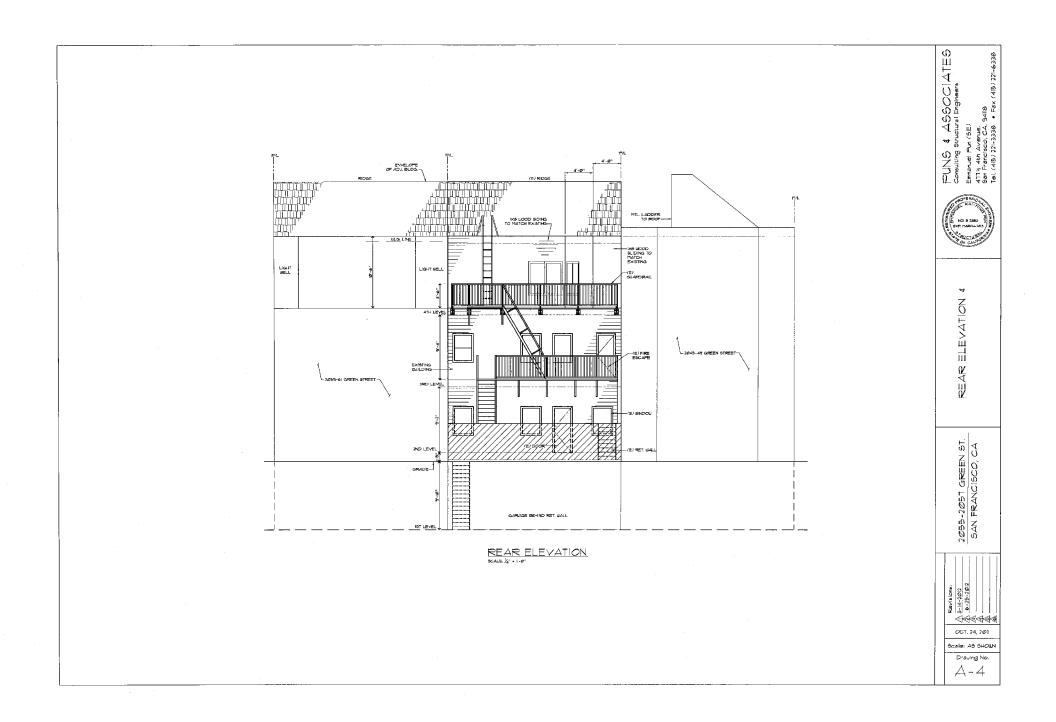
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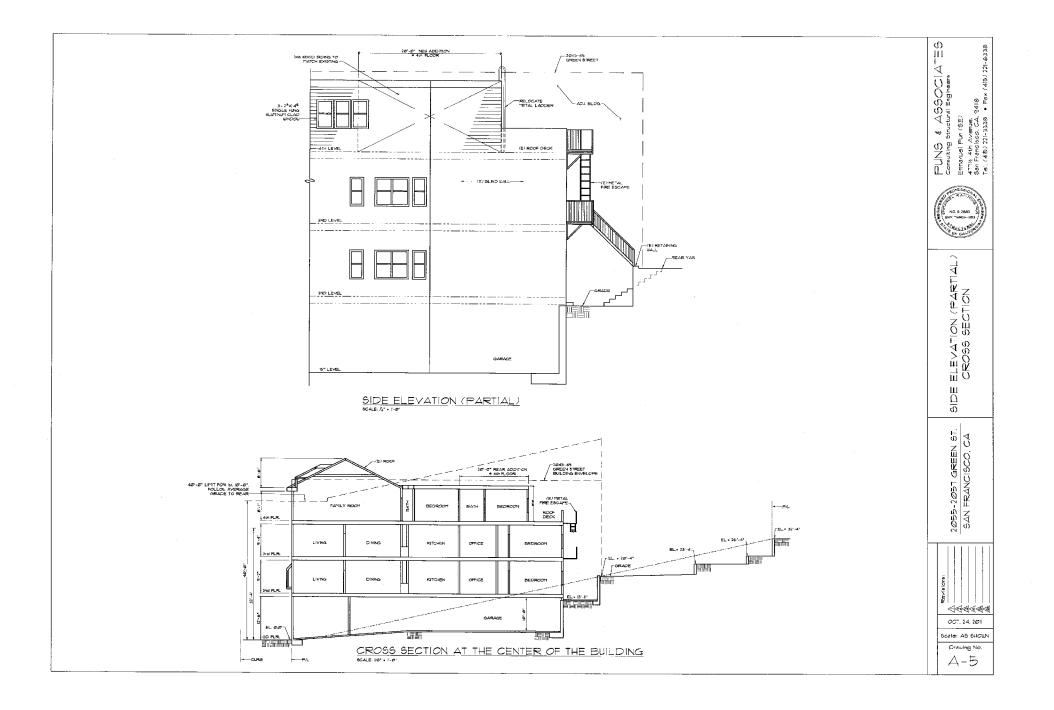
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October 11, 2012

#### LIGHT ACCESS ANALYSIS FOR 2055 AND 2049 GREEN STREET

The attached Access to Light study was prepared by DNM Architect based on field measurements of the relevant portions of the subject structures and analysis using Ecotect software.

Although the applicant's proposed addition far exceeds the Planning Departments guideline of providing a matching lightwell adjacent to neighboring properties, the DR requestors have objected to the proposed addition, in part, based on its impact on light entering the windows of their center lightwell on the top floor. These windows are shown in the study as Window 1 and Window 2.

Light arrives on a surface as direct sunlight an indirect ambient light. Light access should be measured most accurately as the total access to the sky, rather than simply whether shadows are cast on a given surface. The maximum amount of visible sky for any unobstructed window is theoretically 50%, but really less than 40% because of the ground plane and light cannot enter a window at a completely oblique angle.

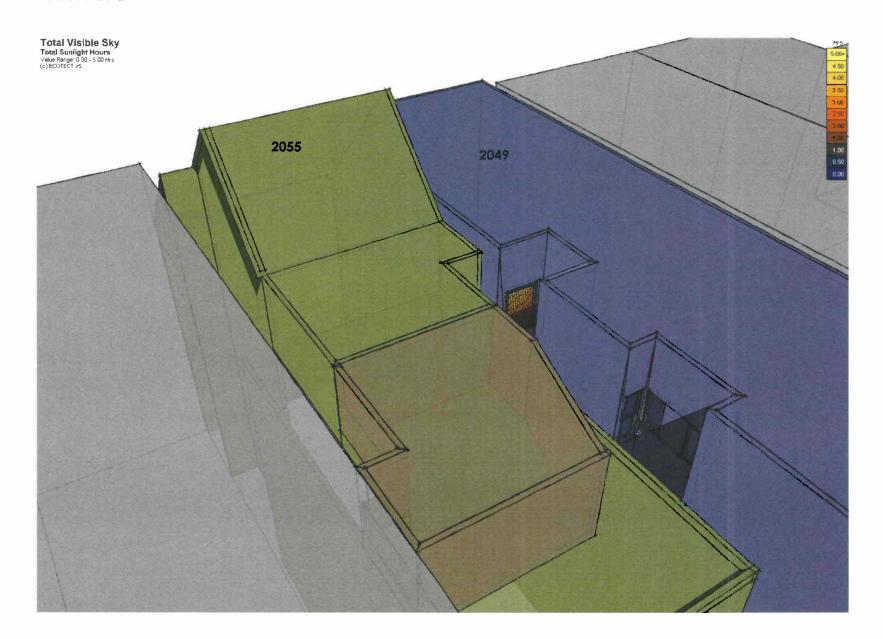
By this method of measurement, the impact of the propose addition on light entering the neighboring lightwell windows is truly minimal. The two windows 1 and 2 currently "see" 21.5% and 17.6% of the sky respectively. After construction of the proposed addition, their respective visible sky is reduced by slightly more than 1% to 20.4% and less than 1% to about 17.5% respectively. In reality, these slight variations would be imperceptible compared to the typical daily changes in light due to haze and clouds.

Sincerely,

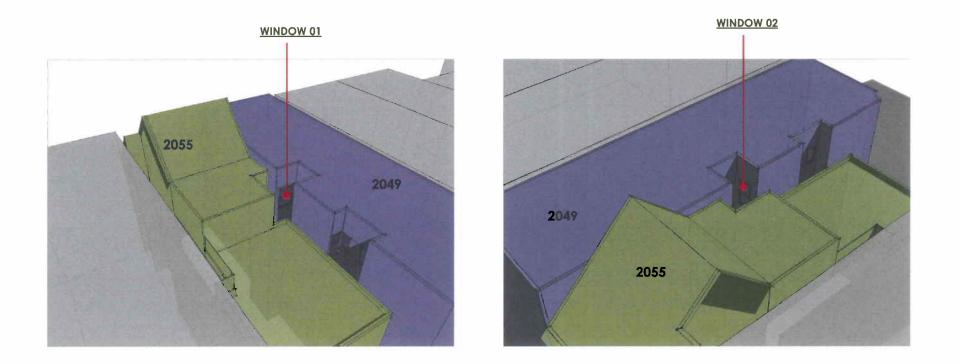
David Marlatt, AIA DNM Architect

## ACCESS TO LIGHT STUDY

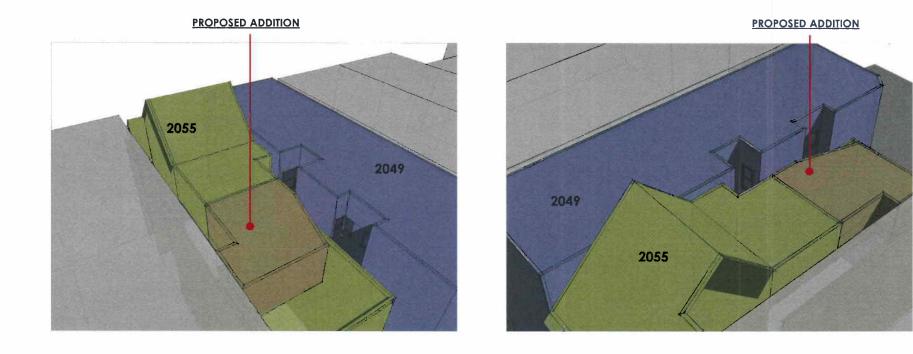
2055 GREEN STREET October 2012



ACCESS TO LIGHT STUDY | EXISTING CONDITIONS LIGHTWELL & WINDOWS OF CONCERN



## ACCESS TO LIGHT STUDY | PROPOSED CONDITIONS HORIZONTAL EXTENTION OF 4<sup>TH</sup> STORY



## ACCESS TO LIGHT STUDY | EXISTING CONDITIONS SITE PHOTOGRAPH



#### VIEW EAST FROM ROOF





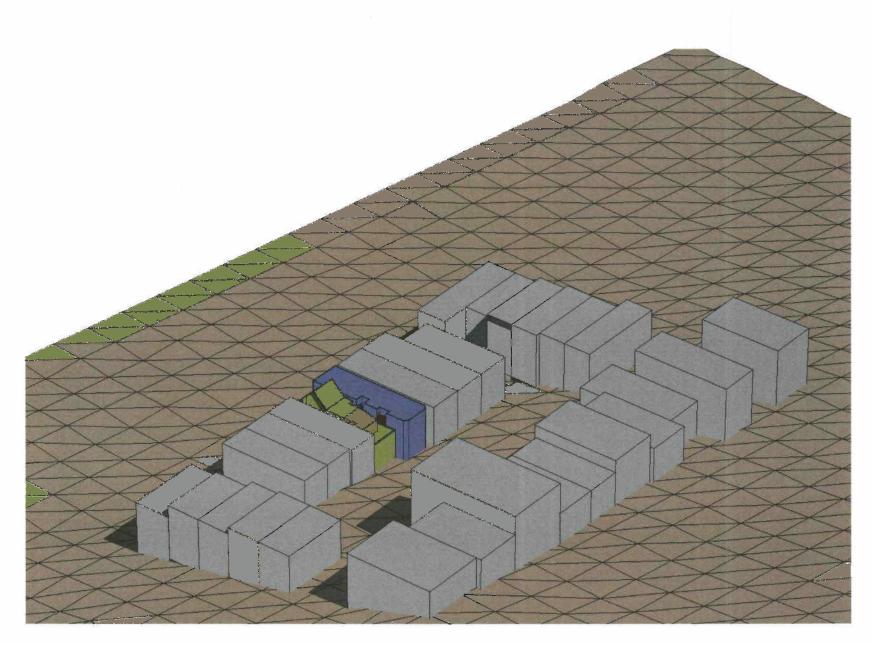
## ACCESS TO LIGHT STUDY | EXISTING CONDITIONS PANORAMA PHOTOGRAPHS

## ACCESS TO LIGHT STUDY | EXISTING CONDITIONS SITE PHOTOGRAPH

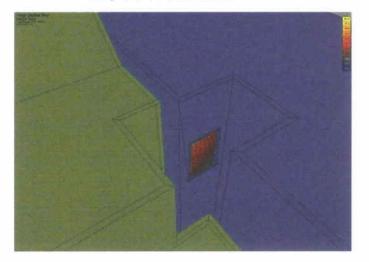


VIEW NORTH

ACCESS TO LIGHT STUDY | CONTEXTUAL 3D MODEL BLOCK NEIGHBOROOD AND TERRAIN MASSING



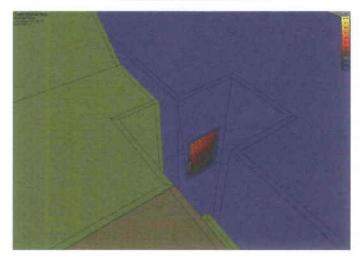
ACCESS TO LIGHT STUDY | WINDOW 01 - PERCENTAGE VISIBLE SKY (MAX = 40%) PERCENTAGE DIFFERENCE = 5.34% REDUCTION IN VISIBLE SKY



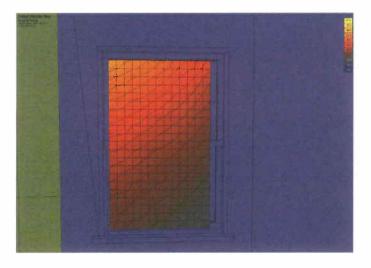
**CURRENT CONDITIONS** 

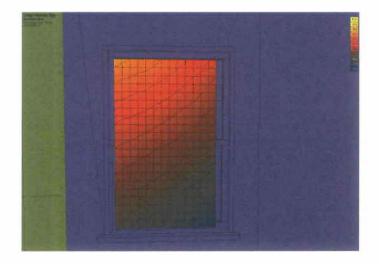
21.55% VISIBLE SKY



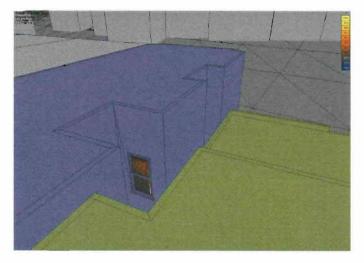


20.40% VISIBLE SKY





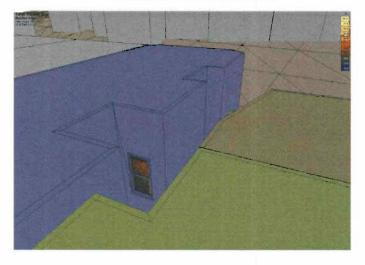
## ACCESS TO LIGHT STUDY | WINDOW 02 - PERCENTAGE VISIBLE SKY (MAX = 40%) PERCENTAGE DIFFERENCE = 0.74% REDUCTION IN VISIBLE SKY



#### **CURRENT CONDITIONS**

17.60% VISIBLE SKY





17.47% VISIBLE SKY

