

1318 & 1320 Alki Ave SW | Project # 3038168-EG | Early Design Guidance | N5 Architecture



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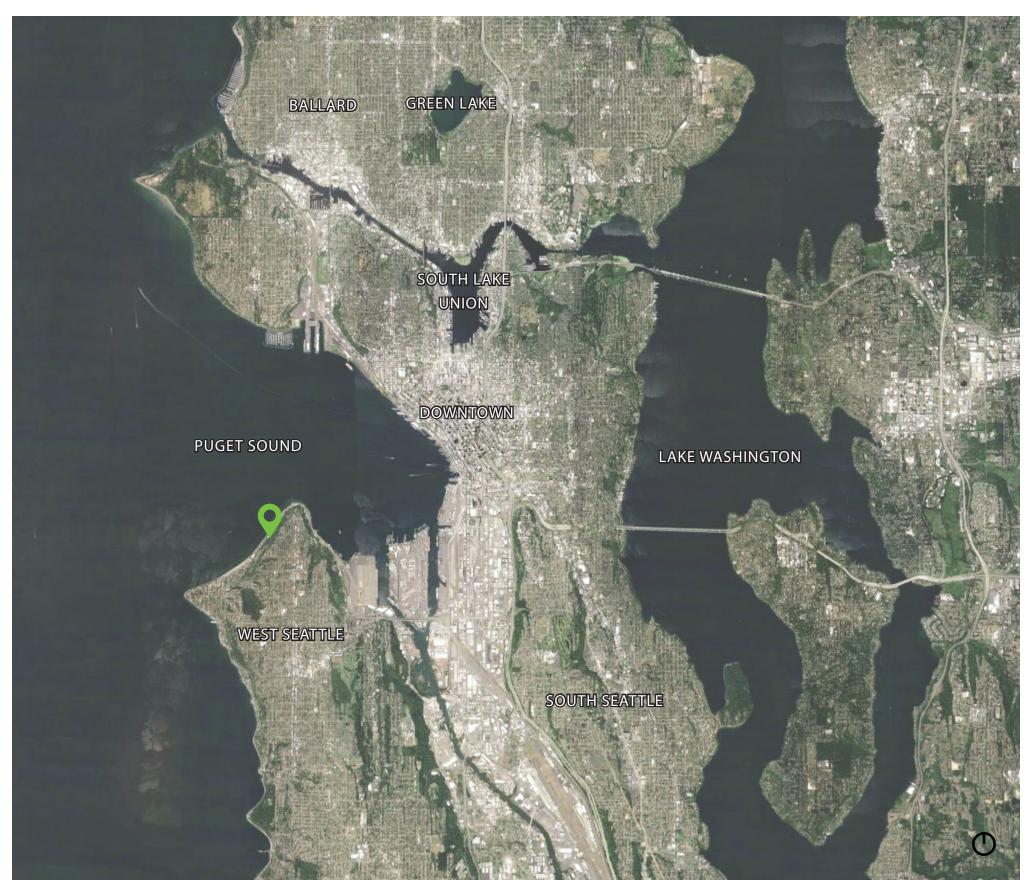
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ADDRESS

INTRODUCTION | Project Overview



PROJECT OVERVIEW

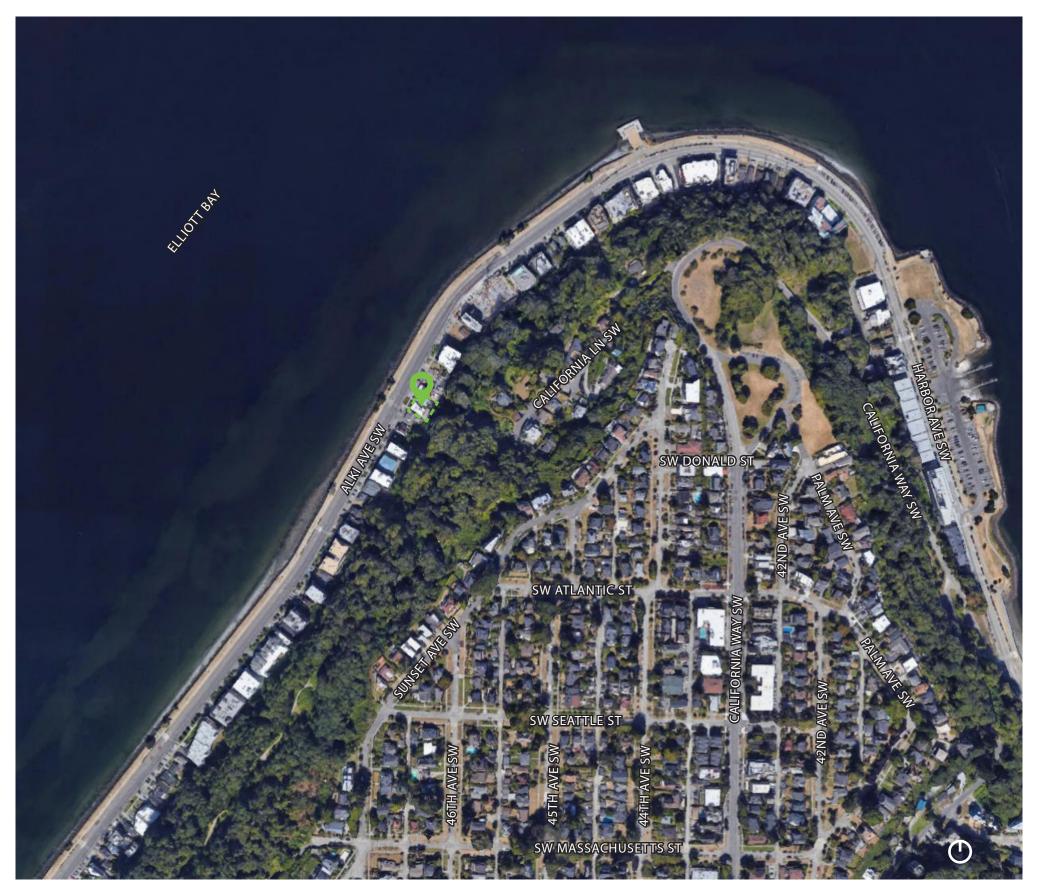
The site is located on Alki Ave SW, in West Seattle, facing northwest. Directly across Alki Ave SW is Elliot Bay/Puget Sound. Single-family homes currently bound the site to the northeast and southwest. The rear or southeast portion of the site is a heavily vegetated slope.

The subject parcel is zoned MR(M). The northeast and southwest parcels are also zoned MR(M) and the parcel to the southeast at the top of the slope is zoned SF7200.

The project does not fall within a parking flexibility area or Urban Village/Center but does have access to bus route 775 directly in front of the site. The site is located within the Alki Area Parking Overlay, requiring 1.5 stalls per dwelling unit.

The proposal is for a six-unit, three and four-story townhome project within two structures separated by a drive aisle providing access to enclosed parking. Three units are directly adjacent to and face Alki Ave SW, and three units are located behind and to the southeast. The dwellings units adjacent to Alki Ave SW are proposed as three stories and the three behind as four stories.

DEVELOPMENT OBJECTIVES | Proposal Summary



Mountains.

6 Townhomes 0 SF of Commercial Space 41,422.5 SF of FAR Allowed 14,300 SF of Gross Floor Area Proposed 9 Garage Vehicle Parking Spaces 6 Long-term & 2 Short-term Bike Parking Spaces

1318 Parcel # 386740-0130 1320 Parcel # 386740-0125

--- PROPERTY LINE

DEVELOPMENT OBJECTIVES

1. Create an aesthetically pleasing development with significant fenestration to take advantage of views of Elliot Bay, Puget Sound, and the Olympic

2. Utilize cues from existing, recently completed, and proposed Alki Developments, including but not limited to massing, proportions, and materials to provide a cohesive aesthetic.

3. Ensure unified design with equal emphasis on the rear units.

PROJECT PROPOSAL

PUBLIC OUTREACH

Through the Early Community Outreach process, no feedback was received via the website. One email was received in response to the direct mailing flyers from a tenant on the project site. The tenant provided no feedback and was only concerned regarding the entitlement and construction process.

SITE SURVEY | Existing Site Conditions

SITE CONTEXT

The site is currently occupied by a single-family dwelling and a duplex, both two stories. 1320 Alki includes a large garage at the rear of the property.

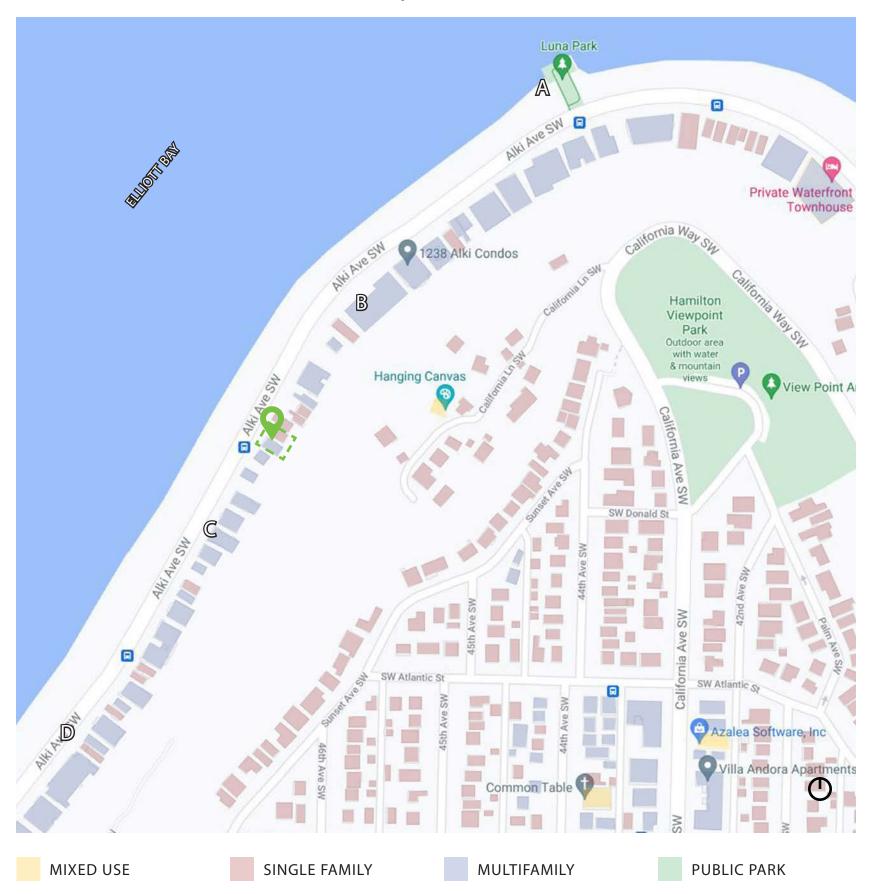
Alki Ave SW bounds the site to the northwest, single-family dwellings to the northeast and southwest, and vacant property to the southeast. The vacant parcel, while zoned SF7200 is owned by the city of Seattle and is commonly referred to as the Duwamish Head Greenbelt.

LEGAL DESCRIPTION

Lots 24 and 25, block 1, King addition, according to the plat thereof, recorded in volume 40 of plats, page(s) 47 and 48, records of King County, Washington. Situate in the city of Seattle, County of King, State of Washington.



URBAN DESIGN ANALYSIS | Neighborhood Context



BUILDING TYPOLOGIES

Adjacent properties to the northeast are one to three story single family and duplex, three total, transitioning to 6-story multi-family structures which dominate Alki Ave SW.

Adjacent properties to the southwest are two story single family dwellings, two total, and again transitioning to multi-family structures between three and six stories.

The selected images indicate the diversity of development along Alki Ave SW varying from large multi-family structures to small single-story single-family dwellings.

While there is significant diversity in scale, all structures take advantage of views maximizing fenestration. While single or multi-family, almost all structures include raised decks or rooftop decks.

SURROUNDING BUILDINGS & LOCAL CHARACTER



Luna Park A local public park and pier at the northernmost point in West Seattle



Multi Family Homes Six-story condominium



Multi Family Homes Soon to be completed 40 unit, six-story condominium



Single Family Homes Two single family dwellings, new and old between multi-family structures

URBAN DESIGN ANALYSIS | Zoning & Overlay Designation



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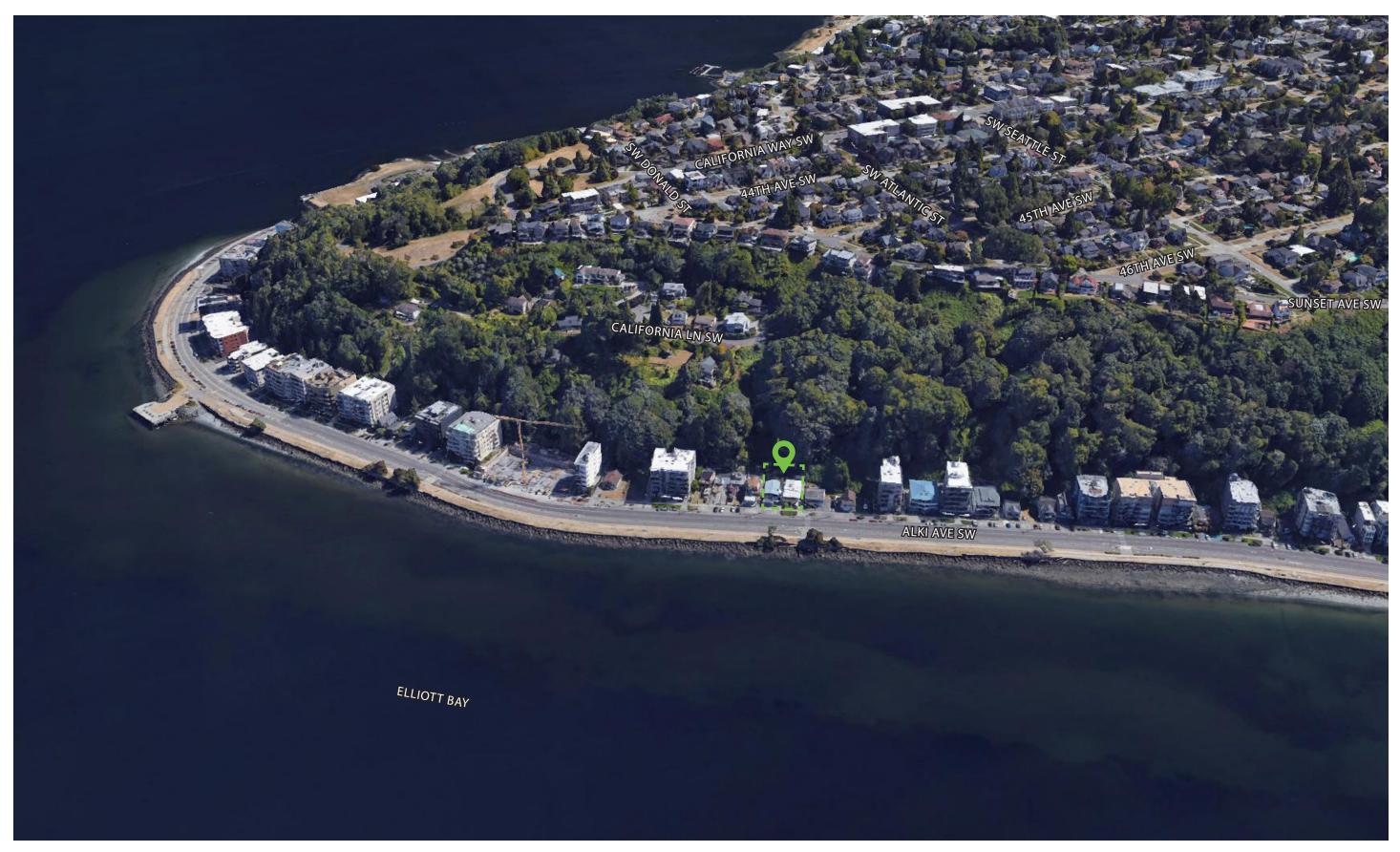
ZONING & OVERLAY DESIGNATION

The parcel is zoned MR(M).

The site is bounded by MR(M) to the northeast and southwest. SF7200 Zoning abuts to the southeast.

1318 PARCEL # 1320 PARCEL #	386740-0130 386740-0125	
ZONE	MR (M)	
URBAN CENTER / VILLAGES	No	
OVERLAY	Alki Parking District	
HORELINE ZONE	Urban Residential	
MHA FEE	Medium	
EQUENT TRANSIT	No	
ECA	40% Steep Slope Archaelogical Buffer Potential Slide Area Known Slide Area Liquefacation Zone	
LOT SF	9,205 SF	

URBAN DESIGN ANALYSIS | Axonometric Photo

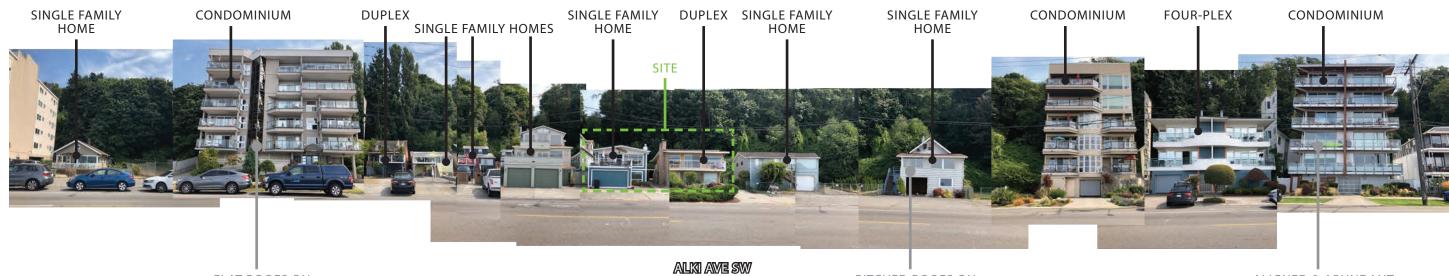


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URBAN DESIGN ANALYSIS | Axonometric Photo



URBAN DESIGN ANALYSIS | Streetscapes



PITCHED ROOFS ON SMALLER STRUCTURES

FLAT ROOFS ON LARGER STRUCTURES

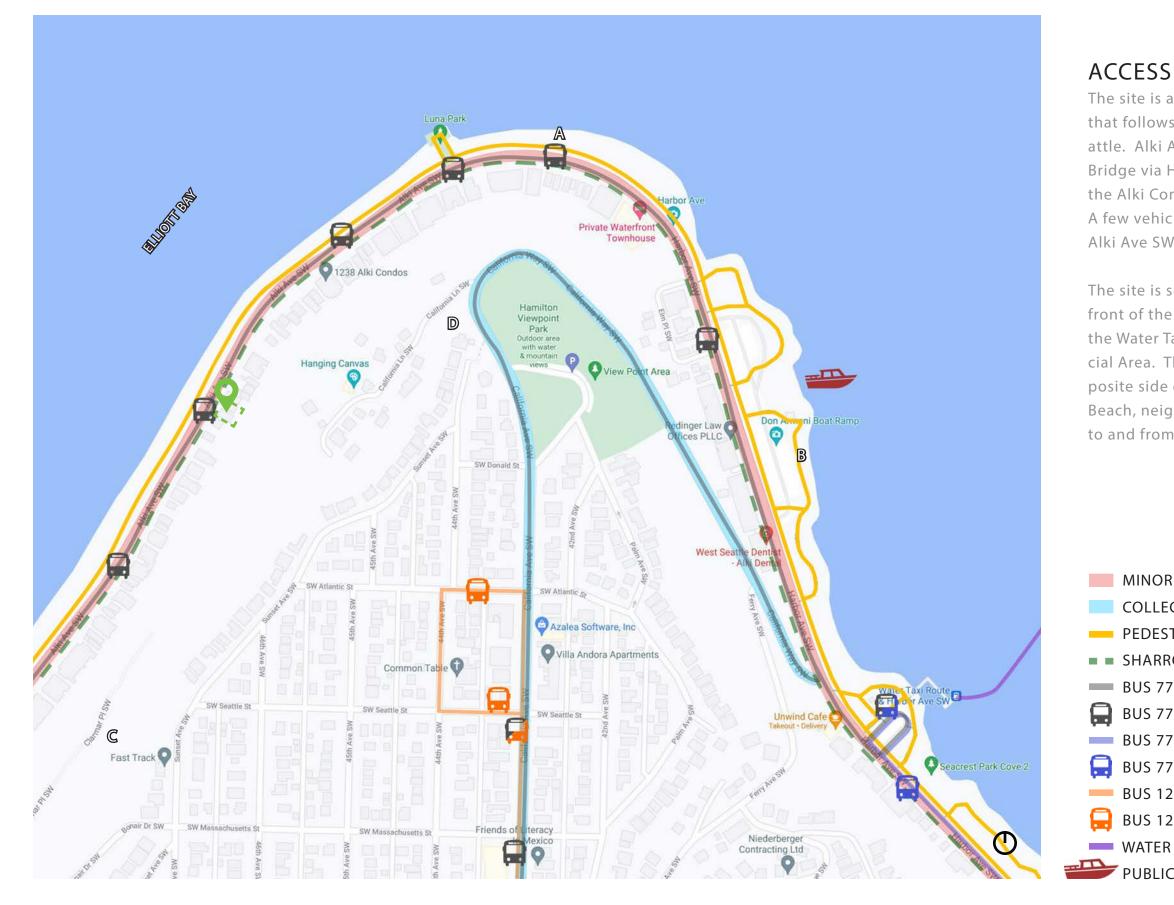


ALIGNED & ABUNDANT FENESTRATION

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URBAN DESIGN ANALYSIS | Access



The site is accessed via Alki Ave SW. by an arterial that follows the northwest shoreline of West Seattle. Alki Ave SW connects with the West Seattle Bridge via Harbor Ave SW and directly connects to the Alki Commercial Area to the southwest. A few vehicular and pedestrian connections along Alki Ave SW lead to the top of the hill.

The site is served by the 775 bus line directly in front of the site. The bus line provides service to the Water Taxi, Admiral District, and Alki Commercial Area. The Alki Pedestrian Trail is on the opposite side of Alki Ave SW, providing access to Alki Beach, neighborhood restaurants, and connections to and from downtown Seattle.

MINOR ARTERIAL ROAD COLLECTOR ARTERIAL ROAD PEDESTRIAN PATH SHARROWS BIKE PATH BUS 775 ROUTE BUS 775 STOP BUS 773 ROUTE BUS 773 STOP BUS 128 & 55 ROUTE BUS 128 & 55 STOP WATER TAXI ROUTE TO DOWNTOWN SEATTLE PUBLIC BOAT LAUNCH

URBAN DESIGN ANALYSIS | Site Photos



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URBAN DESIGN ANALYSIS | Site Photos



ZONING DATA | Land Use Code

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PERMITTED & PROHIBITED USES	Table A for 23.45.504 -	STRUCTURE WIDTH & DEPTH LIMITS	23.45.528
	A. Residential use in MR is permitted.		The width
			than 9,00
FLOOR AREA	Table A for 23.45.510 -		A. The wi
	FAR limit in MR zone with an MHA suffix is 4.5.		B.1. The d
	4.5 X 9,205 SF = 41,422.5 SF of FAR allowed.		the lot.
	14,300 SF provided.		
		PARKING ACCESS	23.45.536
STRUCTURE HEIGHT	Table B for 23.45.514 -		C.2.a. Acc
	MR zone height limit is 80 feet.		the lot do
SETBACKS & SEPARARTIONS	Table B for 23.45.518 -	REQUIRED PARKING	Table B fo
	Front & side setback from street lot lines are 7 feet		II.O. Mult
	average & 5 feet minimum.		must pro
	Rear setback is 15 feet from a rear lot line that does		1.5 X 6 ur
	not abut an alley.		9 spaces
	Side setbacks from interior lot line for portion		
	of a structure that is 42 feet or less in height is		Table D fo
	7 feet average & five feet minimum. The setback		D.2. For n
	for portions of a structure above 42 feet is 10 feet		bicycle pa
	average & 7 feet minimum.		bicycle pa
			6 units re
AMENITY AREA	23.45.522 -		6 long-te
	C. The required amount of amenity area in a MR		
	zone is equal to 5 percent of the total gross floor		
	area of a structure. Private amenity areas are		
	provided on each dwelling unit.		
LANDSCAPE STANDARDS	23.45.524 -		
	A.2.B. Green Factor score of 0.5 or greater is		
	required for any lot within an MR zone.		

28 dth and depth limits apply to lots greater 000 SF in MR zones. width shall not exceed 150 feet. depth shall not exceed 80% of the depth of

36 access to parking shall be from the street if does not abut an alley.

for 23.51.015 -Iltifamily dwelling units within the Alki area rovide 1.5 spaces per unit. units = 9 space required. es provided.

) for 23.54.015 r multi-family structures, 1 long-term parking per unit is required & 1 short-term parking per 20 units is required. require 6 long-term & 1 short-term spaces. term & 2 short-term spaces are provided.

DESIGN GUIDELINES | Priority Guidelines

DESIGN CONCEPT

CS3. ARCHITECTURAL CONTEXT AND CHARACTER

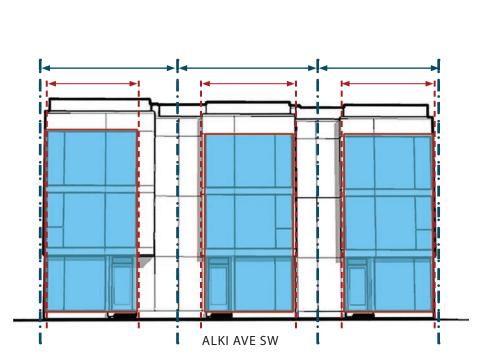
A. Emphasizing Positive Neighborhood Attributes

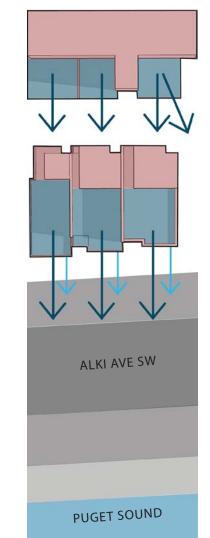
The proposed development builds upon existing patterns of new development along Alki Ave SW, incorporating a contemporary aesthetic with similar siting, massing, articulation, fenestration patterns, and outdoor spaces. While the massing is larger than the existing structures and adjacent developments, the front structure is limited to three stories to ensure compatibility with the existing context. The vertical division of townhomes will be reflected in the facades via fenestration patterns and articulation. The façade treatment and proposed massing will work well with existing and future development.

DC1. PROJECT USES AND ACTIVITIES

A. Arrangement of Interior Uses

Interior uses are situated to take advantage of views of Alki Beach, the Sound, and the Olympic Mountains. Extensive Fenestration and Roof Decks provide a physical connection to the views and create a level of interest and connectivity, via transparency, to the sidewalk and public right-of-way.





C. Parking and Service Uses

Vehicular parking is located within enclosed garages and positioned between the structures. The parking is accessed via a 10' driveway. The auto court is screened from public view via the street-facing structure.

PL3. STREET-LEVEL INTERACTION A. Entries

entries.



Secondary architectural elements emphasize individual entries facing Alki Ave SW. These include canopies, material and color variation, and lighting to identify individual

DESIGN GUIDELINES | Priority Guidelines

DESIGN CONCEPT

DC2. ARCHITECTURAL CONCEPT

A. Massing

While the site is currently bounded by 2 and 3 story singlefamily dwellings it is likely that future development, as allowed by current zoning, will include larger multi-family or single-family developments. The proposed development, in all options, is a structure facing Alki Ave SW with another located behind or to the rear and separated by a drive aisle. The structure facing Alki Ave SW is sited to provide a strong street edge with significant fenestration. The units, townhomes, will be clearly defined vertically via staggered facades and fenestration patterns which will all contribute to reducing the perceived massing. The rear structure will follow the same language, but, in all options, an additional story is proposed to allow for views over the front structure. The increased height, bulk, and massing of the rear structure is lessened by the hillside behind, the front structure, and street setback and follows the tiered pattern of the surrounding single-family dwellings and will blend well with future larger development.

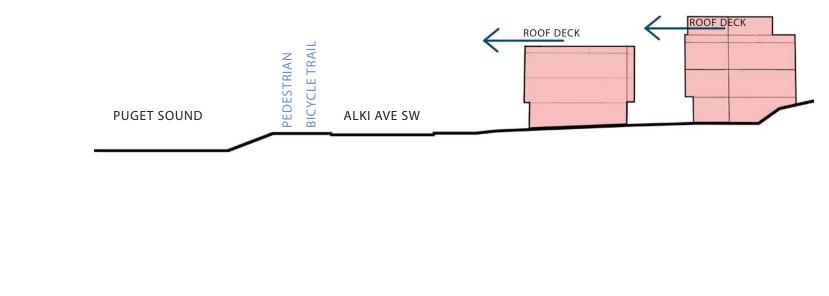
D. Scale and Texture

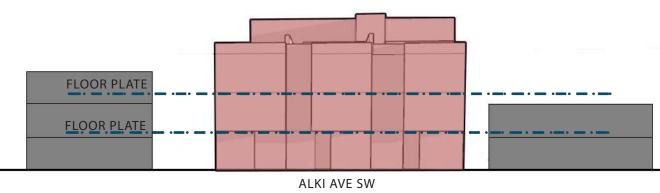
Individual entries, highly textured materials, clearly defined floor plates, along with significant fenestration, are incorporated to create a pleasing human scale to the building facades.

DC3. OPEN SPACE CONCEPT

B. Open Space Uses and Activities

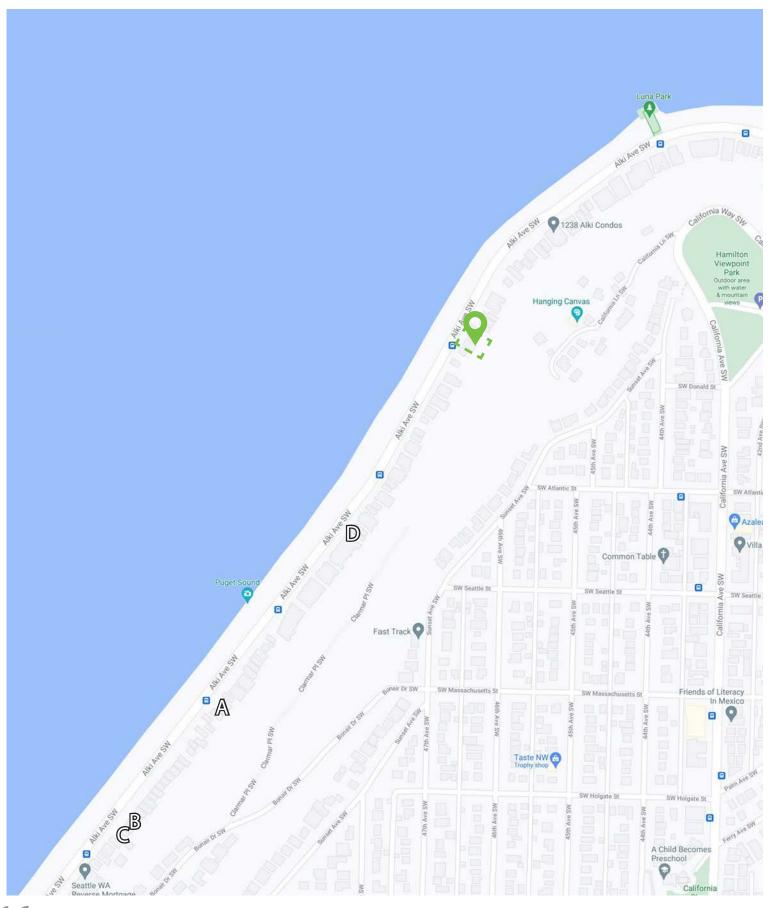
Most of the useable open space is dedicated to roof decks to take advantage of Alki Beach, Sound, and Olympic views. The site is visually connected to Puget Sound and the pedestrian/ bicycle trail across Alki Ave SW. This connection is fostered via extensive fenestration and roof decks.





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ARCHITECTURAL MASSING CONCEPTS | Precedents





1706 Alki Ave SW

Use of wood horizontal siding gives the building a more residential feel. Overhang at second floor articulates the street level and breaks up overall mass.



1778 Alki Ave SW Similar scale and contemporary aesthetic.



Seattle, Out of Area Significant fenestration, vertical expression, clear delineation of individual units.







1772-1774 Alki Ave SW Well articulated facades and heavily fenestrated, reducing perceived massing.



1514 Alki Ave SW Contemporary aesthetic, significant fenestration, vertical expression and rooftop.

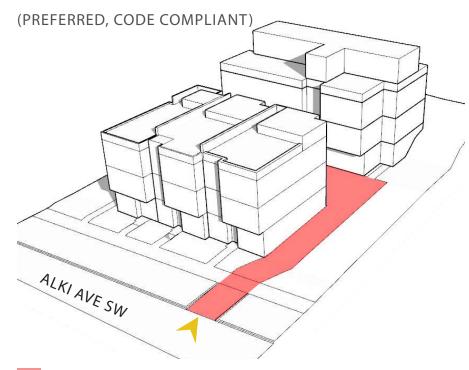


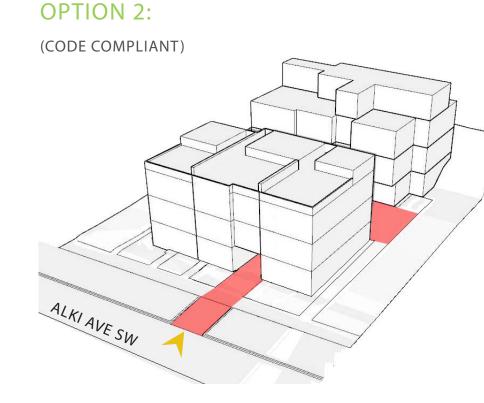


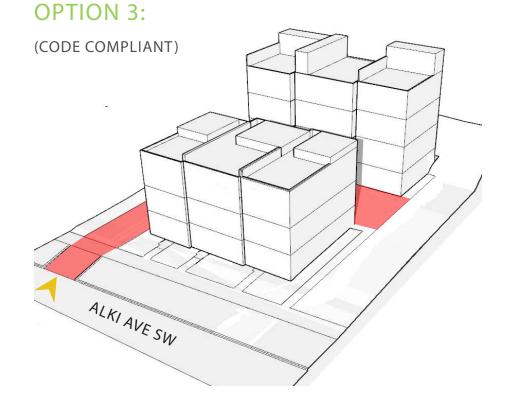
Seattle, Out of Area Significant fenestration, individual entry expression, vertical expression, clear delineation of individual units, and roof top decks.

ARCHITECTURAL MASSING CONCEPTS | Comparison

OPTION 1:







VEHICULAR ACCESS DRIVE ENTRY

6 Townhomes 0 SF of Commercial Space 41,422.5 SF of FAR Allowed 14,300 SF of Gross Floor Area Proposed 9 Garage Vehicle Parking Spaces 6 Long-term & 2 Short-term Bike Parking Spaces

PROS:

- Maximize views for street facing dwelling units.
- Strong street presence at Alki Avenue SW
- Minimize visibility of drive aisle.

CONS:

- Rear units blocked by units facing Alki Ave SW

6 Townhomes 0 SF of Commercial Space 41,422.5 SF of FAR Allowed 13,325 SF of Gross Floor Area Proposed 9 Garage Vehicle Parking Spaces 6 Long-term & 2 Short-term Bike Parking Spaces

PROS:

- Maximize views for street facing dwelling units
- Strong street presence at Alki Avenue SW

CONS:

- Rear units blocked by units facing Alki Ave SW
- Central driveway increases front building facade further, limiting rear views and exposure

6 Townhomes 0 SF of Commercial Space 41,422.5 SF of FAR Allowed

PROS:

CONS:

dwellings

13,450 SF of Gross Floor Area Proposed 9 Garage Vehicle Parking Spaces

6 Long-term & 2 Short-term Bike Parking Spaces

- Maximize views for street facing dwelling units - Maximize views for rear units - Strong street presence at Alki Ave SW - Minimize visibility of drive aisle

- Increased rear structure height adjacent to single family

OPTION 1 | Overview

6 Townhomes

0 SF of Commercial Space
41,422.5 SF of FAR Allowed
14,300 SF of Gross Floor Area Proposed
9 Garage Vehicle Parking Spaces
6 Long-term & 2 Short-term Bike Parking Spaces

OVERVIEW

Option 1 is a six townhomes dwellings unit located in two structures. Both structures include three dwelling units. The structures are separated by an internal drive aisle with access to enclosed parking for nine vehicles.

The street-facing façade is well articulated with individual entries, roof decks, and significant fenestration to take advantage of Alki Beach, Sound, and Olympic Views. Townhome units are slightly offset to demarcate individual units and reduce perceived massing. Both rear and front structures will utilize similar materials and massing to achieve a cohesive design. The rear structure impedes upon the steep slope buffer but occurs within the footprint of existing development. The street-facing structure utilizes exterior stairs in-lieu of penthouses to allow for views from the rear structure partial fourth floor and roof deck.

The drive aisle access is located adjacent to the southwest property line, which reduces the width of the street-facing structure, allowing for better views from the southwest rear townhome.





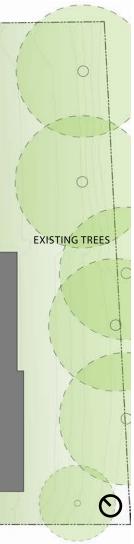
OPTION 1 | Landscape Plan







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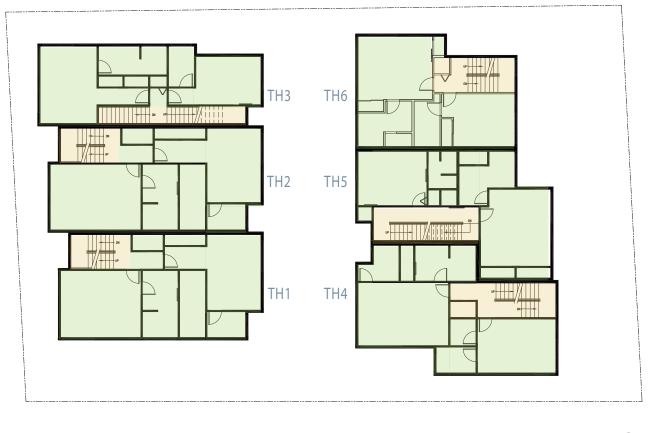


OPTION 1 | Floor Plans





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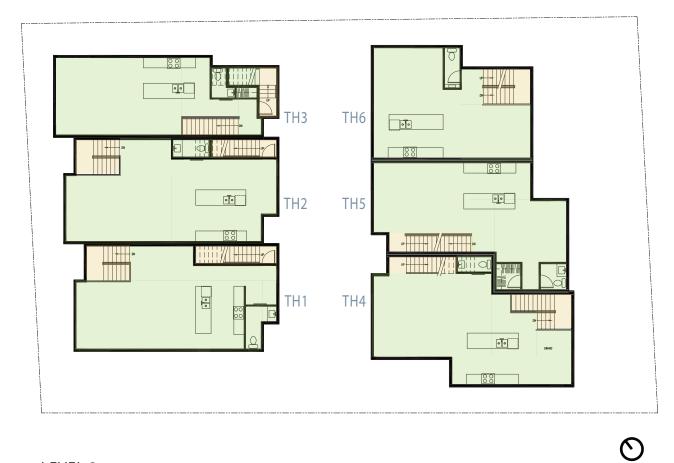


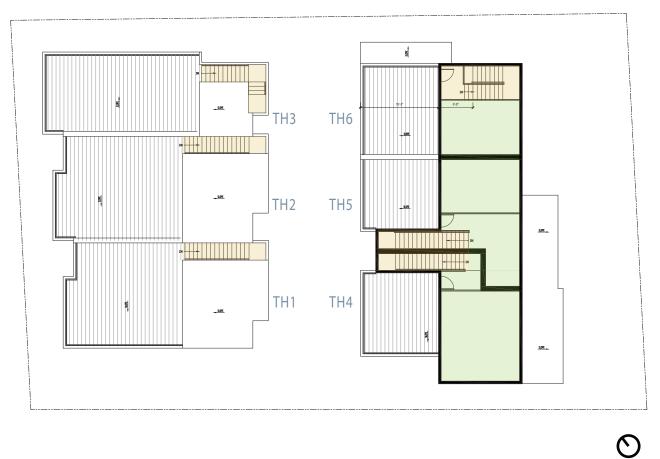
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OPTION 1 | Facade Treatments







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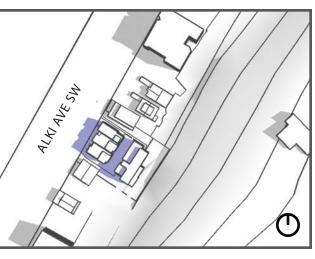
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OPTION 1 | Shadow Analysis

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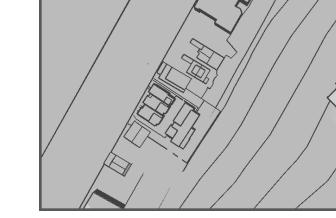
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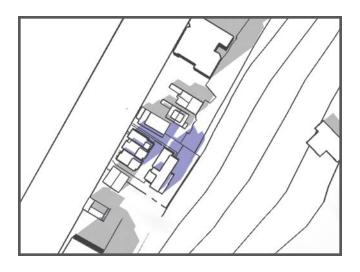




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OPTION 2 | Site Plan

6 Townhomes

0 SF of Commercial Space 41,422.5 SF of FAR Allowed 13,325 SF of Gross Floor Area Proposed 9 Garage Vehicle Parking Spaces 6 Long-term & 2 Short-term Bike Parking Spaces

OVERVIEW

Option 2 is a six townhomes dwellings unit located in two structures. Both structures include three dwelling units. The structures are separated by an internal drive aisle with access to enclosed parking for nine vehicles.

The street-facing façade is well articulated with individual entries, roof decks, and significant fenestration to take advantage of Alki Beach, Sound, and Olympic Views. Townhome units are not offset, creating a unified façade.

Both rear and front structures will utilize similar materials and massing to achieve a cohesive design.

The street-facing structure utilizes exterior stairs in-lieu of penthouses to allow for views from the rear structure partial fourth floor and roof deck.

The rear structure impedes upon the steep slope buffer but occurs within the footprint of existing development.

The parking is accessed via a central drive that travels underneath the street-facing structure.



PERMEABLE PAVEMENT **PROPOSED BUILDING** TRASH STORAGE



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OPTION 2 | Landscape Plan



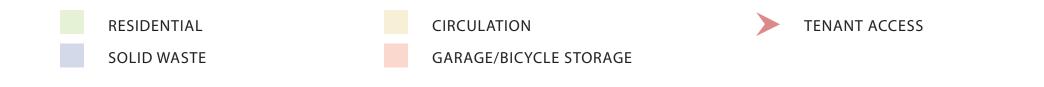
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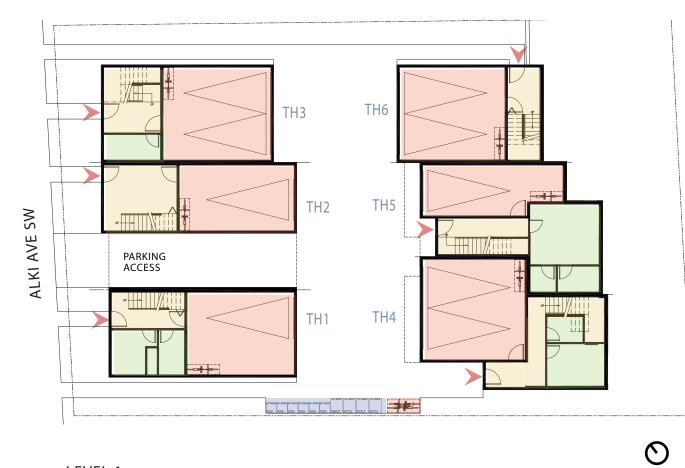
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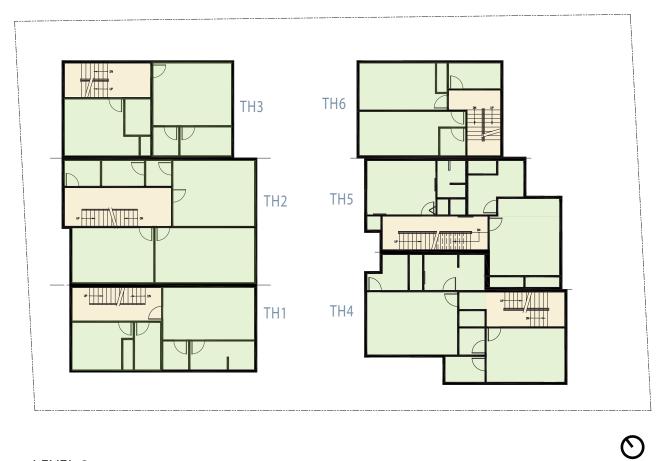
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OPTION 2 | Floor Plans



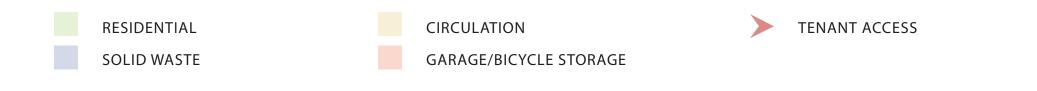




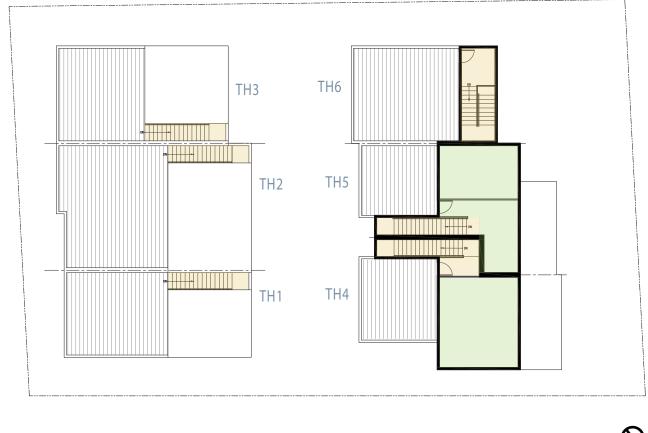


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OPTION 2 | Floor Plans







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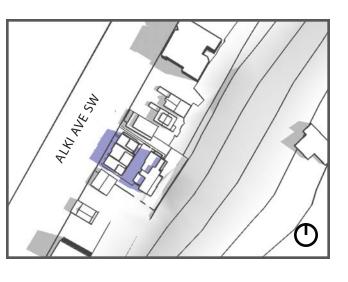


OPTION 2 | Shadow Analysis

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OPTION 3 Site Plan

6 Townhomes

0 SF of Commercial Space
41,422.5 SF of FAR Allowed
13,450 SF of Gross Floor Area Proposed
9 Garage Vehicle Parking Spaces
6 Long-term & 2 Short-term Bike Parking Spaces

OVERVIEW

Option 3 is a six townhomes dwellings unit located in two structures. Both structures include three dwelling units. The structures are separated by an internal drive aisle with access to enclosed parking for nine vehicles.

The street-facing façade is well articulated with individual entries, roof decks, and significant fenestration to take advantage of Alki Beach, Sound, and Olympic Views. Townhome units are slightly offset to demarcate individual units and reduce perceived massing. Both rear and front structures will utilize similar materials and massing to achieve a cohesive design.

The street-facing structure utilizes exterior stairs in-lieu of penthouses to allow for views from the rear structure partial fourth floor and roof deck. In addition, the rear structure is a full four stories with roof decks allowing views from the 4th floor and roof deck over the street-facing structure.

The rear structure has a smaller footprint and does not impede upon the steep slope buffer.

The drive aisle access is located adjacent to the northeast property line, which reduces the width of the street-facing structure, allowing for better views from the northeast rear townhome.



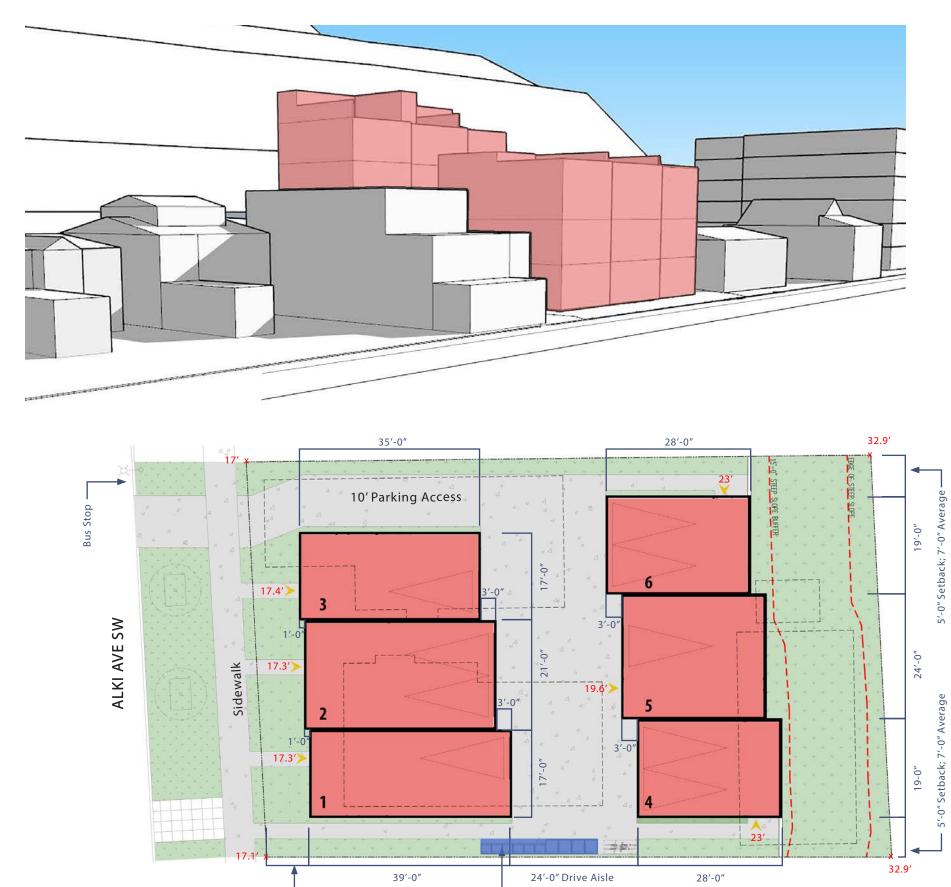
LANDSCAPING

PERMEABLE PAVEMENT

PROPOSED BUILDING

TRASH STORAGE

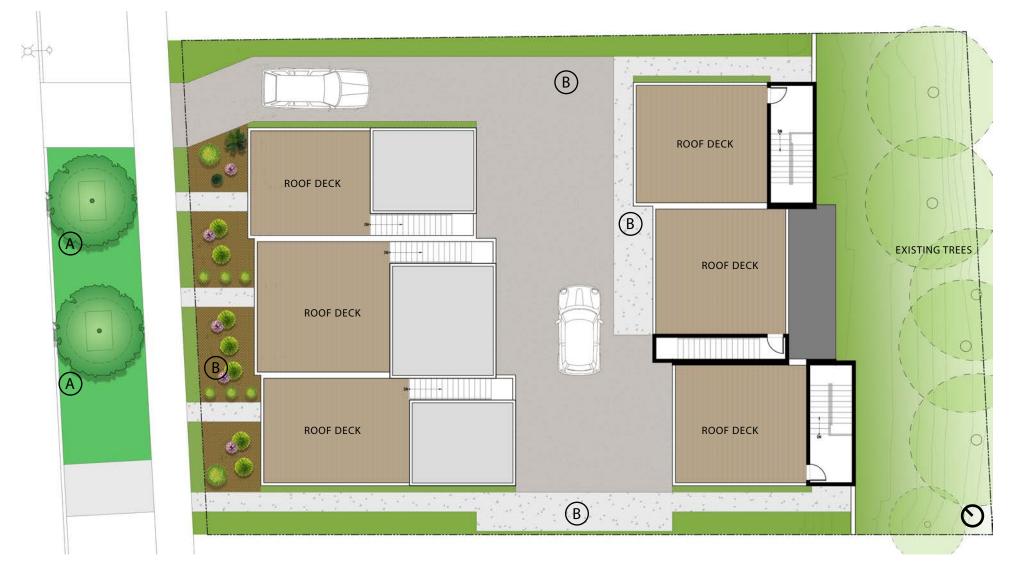




- 5'-0" Setback; 7'-0" Average

Trash Storage

OPTION 3 | Landscape Plan



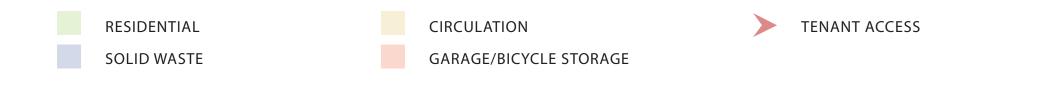


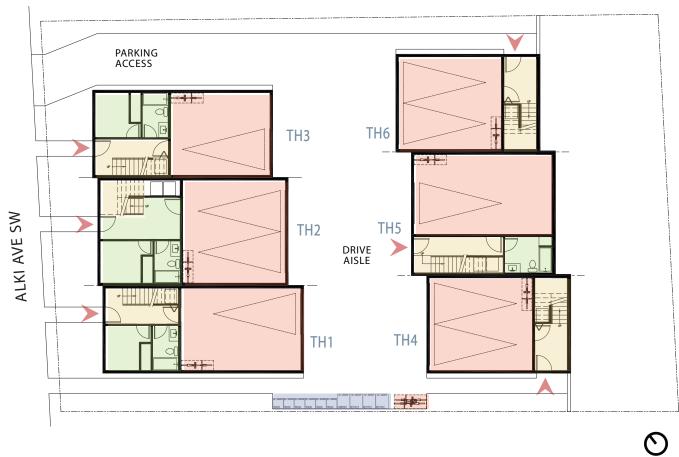


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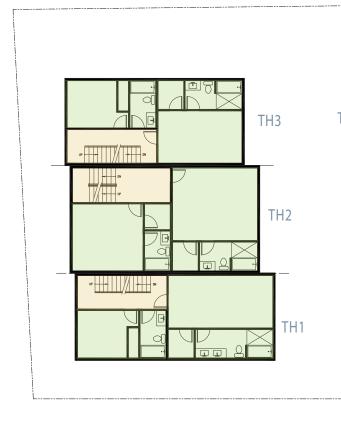
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OPTION 3 | Floor Plans

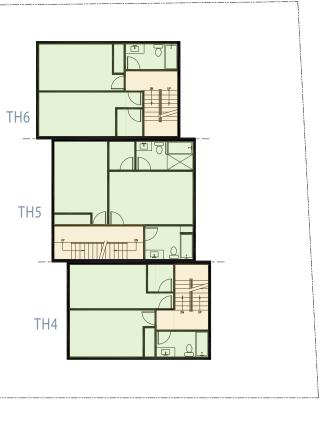








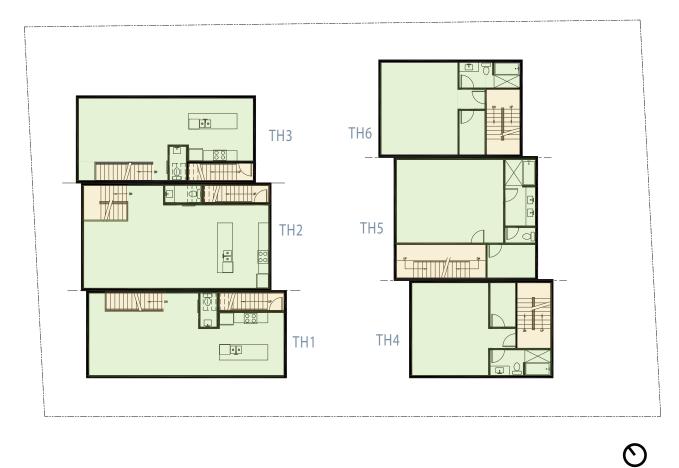


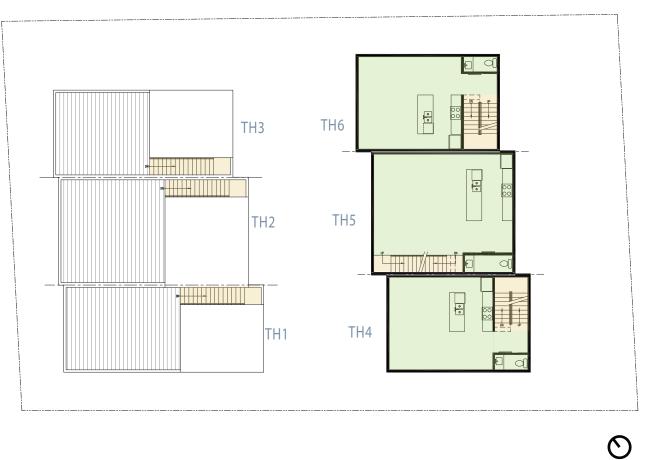




OPTION 3 | Floor Plans





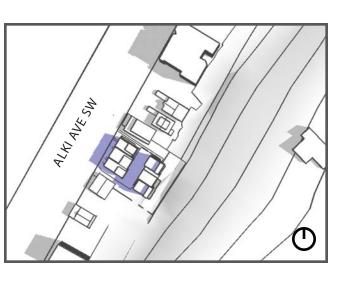


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OPTION 3 | Shadow Analysis

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