





**PROJECT # 3039107-LU 4401 FREMONT AVE N SEATTLE, WA 98103** Design Recommendation | September 11, 2023

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### **PROJECT INFORMATION**

SITE ADDRESS	4401, 4411, 4419 FREMONT AVE N
PARCEL NUMBERS	569350-1505, 569350-1345, 569350-1362, 569350-1375
PROJECT NUMBER	3039251-EG, 3039107-LU

### **PROJECT TEAM**

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### **PROJECT CRITERIA**

ZONING	NC2P-55 (M), LR1 (N	/)
OVERLAYS	frequent transit	
ABUTTING ZONES	LR1(M)	
CURRENT USE	restaurant/lounge, ret	ail, office & (1) single family house
LOT AREA	17,042 sf (total)	
	4401 Fremont:	8,104sf
	4411 Fremont:	4,502 sf
	4419 Fremont:	4,463 sf
ALLOWABLE FAR	60,348.75 sf	
ECAs	None	
VEHICULAR PARKING	Yes	

### **PROJECT PROPOSAL**

GROSS BUILDING FLOOR AREA
PROPOSED RESIDENTIAL UNITS
PROPOSED COMMERCIAL UNITS
PROPOSED VEHICULAR PARKING
NO. OF STORIES
DEMOLITION

60,306 sf (preferred scheme)
118 units (preferred scheme)
4/5 units, 4,365 sf (preferred scheme)
37 parking spaces (utilizing parking lifts)
4 stories of residential over 1 level of commercial
Existing structures to be demolished

## **CONTEXT** + **SITE**

The project site is located at the north or "upper" end of the Fremont neighborhood. Fremont extends from the Ship Canal to approximately N 50th Street at the Woodland Park Zoo. This neighborhood, which has consistently been an important area of residential growth for North Seattle, has seen significant growth over the past several years, with single-family homes being supplemented with townhomes and rowhouses, and with larger scale mixed-use buildings to the south in Fremont's main commercial core, between N 34th and 36th streets.

This edge of the neighborhood is quieter but maintains a small-town, pedestrian friendly atmosphere, with it's own block of commercial buildings between N Allen and N 42nd, with local businesses that have grown roots - a grocery store, coffee shop, salons, restaurants, specialty bookstore, and medical services and offices. Directly to the north, on 50th, is the Woodland Park Zoo, which draws families and groups from across Seattle. This area is also well served with preschool and elementary schools, providing essential support for families in the area, within walking distance. Transportation is found within walking distance of the site, with bus service to downtown and north Seattle, Ballard, Wallingford, and the U-District.

### **DEVELOPMENT PROPOSAL**

This project proposes a five-story mixed-use building with ground floor commercial, approximately 120 residential apartments, and an underground parking garage. The three existing buildings will be demolished.

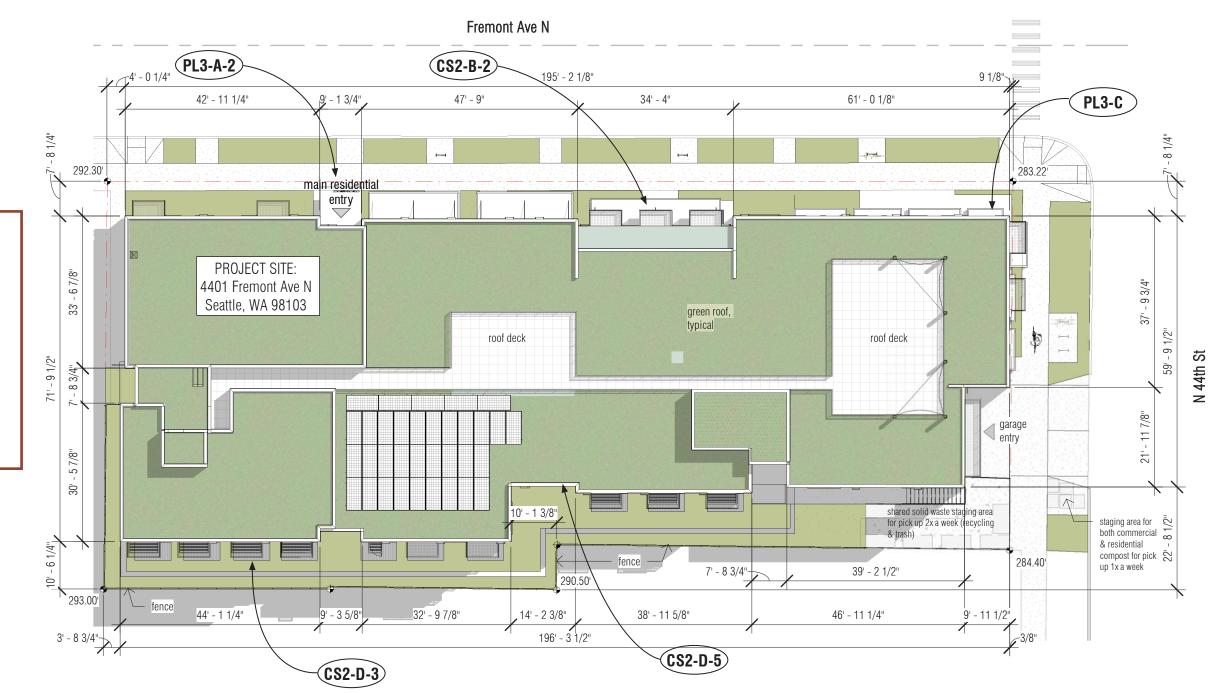
### **DEVELOPMENT OBJECTIVES**

Objective 1: Provide visually interesting massing that enhances and respectfully builds upon the north Fremont neighborhood character, while responding to the neighborhood scale.

Objective 2: Design a building that responds to its position as a visual corner on Fremont and N 44th.

Objective 3: Provide housing for a growing neighborhood while maintaining its vibrant and pedestrian-friendly atmosphere; create space to sustain and include local small businesses.





### design guideline key

CS1-C Topography CS2-C-1 Corner Sites CS2-B-2 Connection to the Street CS2-D-3 Zone Transitions CS2-D-4 Massing Choices CS2-D-5 Respect for Adjacent Sites DC2-A-2 Reducing Perceived Mass DC2-C Secondary Architectural Elements DC4-A-1 Exterior Finish Materials PL2-D-1 Design as Wayfinding PL3-A-2 Ensemble of Elements PL3 Street-Level Interaction PL3-C Retail Edges



### proposed project | 4.0 SITE PLAN

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# **5.0 ZONING DATA**

ZONE   NC2P-55 LR1(M)	ABUTS LR1(M)	INCENTIVES frequent transit	RESTRICTIONS none		OVERLAY none	SITE / 17,04
LAND USE CO	DE INFORMATION					
<ul><li> Residential uses</li><li> General Sales an</li></ul>	d services and restaurants li	4 TABLE A mited to 25,000 sf; Multipurpose sales ar signated principal pedestrian street is limi			Project proposes residential and commercial u service, restaurant).	ises (general and multipurpose s
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AREA	USES PERMITTED OUTRIGHT
)42 sf	residential & commercial uses

# DESIGN TEAM RESPONSE

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oftop features will **COMPLIES** 



ZONE   NC1-55 LR1(M)	ABUTS LR1(M)	INCEN frequent		RESTRICTIONS		OVERLAY none	SITE AREA 17,042 sf
LAND USE CO	DE INFORMATI	ON					
485.5 sf in LF 496.5 sf in LF	LR zone: 1.3; Total FAR f R x 1.3 = 631.15 sf; tota R x 1.3 = 645.45 sf; tota	al this lot: 15,564.825 sf	no more than 4	4 feet above grade, rooftop greei	nhouse area	Proposed far is less than the 60,348.75 sf n	nax allowed.
<ul> <li>Setbacks are recression residential zone, the intersection</li> <li>Upper-level setb ft in height to a pocks with oper the deck is accession.</li> </ul>	, which forms a triangle a of the residentially zoned back is required for any re maximum of 65 ft. n railings may extend into	esidential zones - Where a lot a area, the two sides of the trian I lots front lot line and side lot ear or side lot line that abuts a o the required setback, but are e and are no more than 18" ab	gle extend alon line. lot in an LR zo not permitted v	ection of a side lot line and front g the street lot line and side lot l ne - 10 ft for portions of structu within 5' of a lot in a residential a r finished grade, whichever is lov	ine 15' from res above 13 zone, unless	Side lot line triangle setback is provided in a level setbacks are provided for the rear and zone.	
	SCREENING STANDA	<b>RDS -</b> 23.47A.016 required (functionally equivale	nt to landscapii	ng 30% of lot)		The proposed project will provide a green fa	ctor score of .3 or greater.
	<b>FANDARDS -</b> 23.47A must be shielded and dir	.022 rected away from adjacent use	S			Exterior light will be shielded and directed av	vay from adjacent uses.
<ul><li>5% of the total g</li><li>All residents sha</li><li>No common am</li></ul>	all have access to at leas nenity area shall be less tl	ntial use required (area exclude t one common or private ame han 250sf and shall have a mi	nity area; Amer nimum horizon	nity areas shall not be enclosed		All schemes are provided with at least 5% of amenity area. The amenity area will be locat visual amenity to landscaping; the amenity a	ed on the roof as a roof deck &
<ul> <li>1 Space per dwo center, urban vil</li> <li>In all commercia</li> <li>Bicycle parking bicycle space per 2,000 sf. office</li> <li>Bicycle parking</li> </ul>	elling unit (residential) wi llage, or station area over al zones, no parking is re for commercial uses: ea er 1,000 sf. sales and se es: 1 long term bicycle sp for residential uses = 1 l	lay district. quired for the first 1500 sf of e ating and drinking establishmen ervices, general: 1 long term b bace per 2,000 sf; 1 short term bicycle space per dwelling uni	of 50% where each business nts: 1 long tern icycle space po n bicycle space t (long term); 1	the property is not located in an establishment n bicycle space per 5,000 sf; 1 s er 4,000 sf; 1 short term bicycle	short term 9 space per	36 parking stalls are provided for the resider commercial uses due to size of the business will be provided for the commercial and resi ground floor level in all schemes, as verified	s establishment. Bike parking dential uses - see the basement
		<b>Y -</b> 23.58C.040 TABLE B		/ ¢5 79/cf (commercial)			

• Medium area; Zones with a (M) suffix - \$13.25/sf developer contribution (residential) / \$5.78/sf (commercial)



# **5.0 ZONING DATA**

USES PERMITTED OUTRIGHT residential & commercial uses

COMPLIES

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DEVELOPER CONTRIBUTION WILL COMPLY

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### **6.0 DESIGN GUIDELINES** | design priorities





simple modulation with variety of materials at human scale

#### residential scale materials in modern application

### **PL3: Street Level Interaction**

#### C. Retail Edges, 1. Porous Edge

Engage passersby with opportunities to interact visually with the building interior using glazing and transparency. Create multiple entries where possible and make a physical and visual connection between people on the sidewalk and retail activities in the building.

#### **Response:**

With a long façade facing Fremont Ave and a shorter facade facing 44th Ave, there are multiple opportunities for street level interaction. Multiple entries dot the length of the Fremont façade, providing a variety of opportunities for visual and physical connection. The design team anticipates the fremont façade will be highly glazed and transparent for further engagement with passersby.

### **CS2: Urban Pattern & Form**

#### C. Relationship to the block. 1. Corner Sites

*Corner sites can serve as gateways or focal points; both require careful detailing at the* first three floors due to their high visibility from two or more streets and long distances. Consider using a corner to provide extra space for pedestrians and a generous entry, or build out to the corner to provide a strong urban edge to the block.

#### **Response:**

The design team's scheme has a recessed expression at the southeast corner, in order to provide a more generous entry and pedestrian experience. Above the extra tall first floor, the building extends out to the corner to provide a strong urban edge to the block, visible from long directions. A unique detailing expression for the corner mass, further enhances it as a focal point.





multiple entries dotting facade

recessed façade at ground plane

### CS2: Urban Pattern & Form D. Height, Bulk and Scale, 3. Zone Transitions

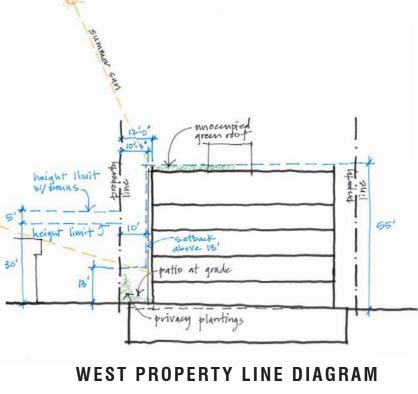
For projects located at the edge of different zones, provide an appropriate transition or complement to the adjacent zone(s). Projects should create a step in perceived height, bulk and scale between the anticipated development potential of the adjacent zone and the proposed development. Factors to consider: a. Distance to the edge of a less (or more) intensive zone; b. Differences in development standards between abutting zones; c. The type of separation from adjacent properties (e.g. separation by property line only, by an alley or street or open space, or by physical features such as grade change); d. Adjacencies to different neighborhoods or districts; adjacencies to parks, open spaces, significant buildings or view corridors; and e. Shading to or from neighboring properties.

#### Response:

This project site abuts an LR zone to the west. The street containing the LR zone is currently filled with a mix of single family homes, townhomes, and low-rise apartment structures. Because the project site is abutting the LR zone via a lot line, versus a street or alley separation, the design team has opted to provide separation between the zones greater than what is required by code.

The zoning code requires a setback at the upper floors, however it allows for the lower floor to extend to the lot line. The design team has opted to set back all floors from the lot line, increasing this beyond the minimum requirement, where feasible. This will allow for a greater separation between zones, accommodate at grade patios and plantings, and reduce shading. The team is providing additional modulation on the LR facing zone in order to respond to the less intensive LR zone's façade modulation requirements.

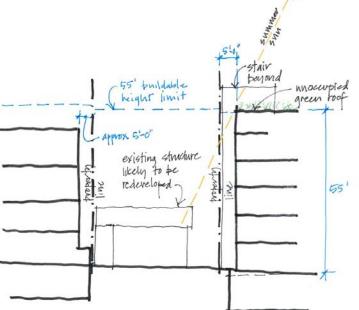








NORTH PROPERTY LINE DIAGRAM









### **PL1: Connectivity**

#### B. Walkways and connections, 1. Pedestrian Infrastructure

Connect on-site pedestrian walkways with existing public and private pedestrian infrastructure, thereby supporting pedestrian connections within and outside the project.

#### **Response:**

With the project's long frontage along Fremont Ave, it is important that the pedestrian experience is well connected at each commercial and residential entry. The building modulates along the eastern edge in order to provide a variety of pedestrian experiences, as well as allowing for pedestrian connections to a variety of floor heights. The connection to Allen Place is maintained, which provides a direct route to the transit options on Aurora and the neighborhood grocery store.

# **CS3: Architectural Context & Character**

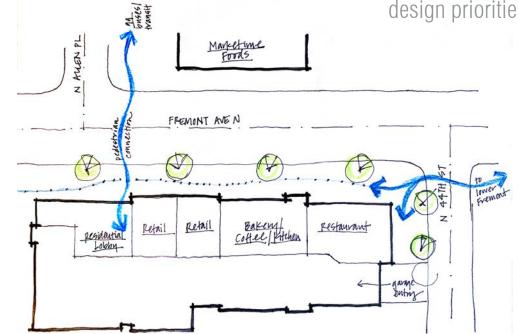
### A. Emphasizing Positive Neighborhood Attributes, 4. Evolving

#### Neighborhoods

In neighborhoods where architectural character is evolving or otherwise in transition, explore ways for new development to establish a positive and desirable context for others to build upon in the future.

#### Response:

The Fremont neighborhood has historically been an artistically eclectic and vibrant neighborhood. Much of the larger development has been focused on the southern end of Fremont. This northern section or "Upper Fremont" area extends towards



sense of place from neighborhood history

Wallingford and Phinney Ridge; the neighborhood is beginning to evolve as newer, larger developments are being constructed.

This project draws from the neighborhood context through massing and exterior materials. Additionally, it builds upon the pedestrian scale and connections already established in neighboring buildings.

# **CS3: Architectural Context & Character**

#### **B. Local History and Culture**, **1. Placemaking**

Explore the history of the site and neighborhood as a potential placemaking opportunity. Look for historical and cultural significance, using neighborhood groups and archives as resources.

#### **Response:**

The existing neighborhood has a very desirable pedestrian scale, with a great deal of walkability and human-scaled mixed-use buildings. Many of these existing buildings were built between 1900 and 1930 and maintain a simple, classic form with a clear hierarchy of materials. New structures need to take into consideration both the existing smaller scale fabric of the neighborhood, as well as the larger developments that are coming.

This project anticipates providing the pedestrian scale that is already utilized by existing historic buildings, with a finer grain modulation and utilizing a combination of simple massing moves (to reflect the scale and proportion of the existing fabric structures) and a variety of materials at a human scale.

response to existing site connections

#### **Response:**



# design priorities | 6.0 DESIGN GUIDELINES



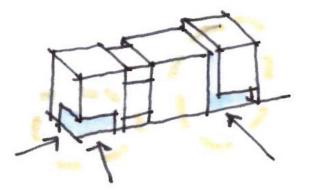
variety of Pedestrian Experiences

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### **DC4 Exterior Elements & Finishes** A. Building Materials, 1, Exterior Finish Materials

Building exteriors should be constructed of durable and maintainable materials that are attractive even when viewed up close. Materials that have texture, pattern, or lend themselves to a high quality of detailing are encouraged.

The design team is utilizing a variety of attractive materials in order to help break down the overall mass and length of the façade, as well as relate to the neighborhood context (both the residential to the west and commercial to the east).



### **OPTION 3 (PREFERRED)**

This zoning code compliant scheme provides visual interest and movement along all facades. The overall mass is broken down vertically, stacking the masses side-by-side, in direct response to the upper fremont neighborhood's historic fabric.

Two important nodes - the highly visible corner at 44th and Fremont and the termination of N Allen Place at Fremont - are celebrated with cut aways at the ground floor. These recesses enhance the pedestrian realm and identify key points of the building, with the residential lobby aligned with the termination of N Allen Place.

The ground floor commercial spaces have been broken up in order to provide a streetscape compatible with the pedestrian experience along Fremont Ave N. and helps to create an engaging experience at the pedestrian level.

COMMERCIAL USE:	4/5 SPACES, 4,365 SF TOTAL
RESIDENTIAL USE:	66 SEDUS, 44 1-BEDS, 6 2-BEDS, 2 3-BEDS (118 TOTAL)
PARKING:	36 STALLS

#### **BENEFITS:**

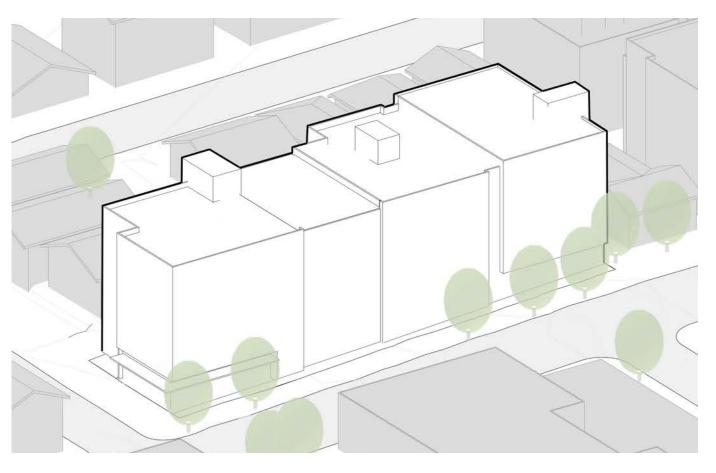
- CS2.C1 Steps the ground floor commercial level back from the street to enable spillover into the public realm, enhancing the pedestrian experience and taking advantage of the building corner.
- CS3.A3 Modulation provides visual interest on street facing facades and relates to the historic context of the neighborhood.
- DC3.B4 Roof deck with multiple levels and lounge/seating areas provide views to the east, west and south, with views to downtown, the olympics, mount rainier and the cascades.
- CS2.D3 Generous setback and modulation on the west facade for the neighboring LR zone, with balconies and garden apartments to enhance the residential fee.

#### CONCERNS:

• The more complex form is best served by a simpler fenestration / material patterning.

#### DEPARTURES:

- Residential use at ground floor
- overhead weather protection













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# 8.0 DESIGN REVIEW RESPONSES | massing

### EDG BOARD RECOMMENDATION

In agreement with public comment, the Board unanimously supported Option 3, the applicant's preferred massing option. The Board appreciated the illustrations of the progression of design thought for the massing options, as shown on page 25 of the EDG packet, clarifying a refinement of massing form from a basic Code-compliant option to the best context-adapted option.

The Board specifically supported the rhythm of vertical modulations in Option 3, which break down the long front façade length into contextually scaled modules. The Board noted that the proportions of the modulations appeared logical as well as aesthetically pleasing in the overall façade composition.

The Board noted that although the graphics appeared to create a contextual scale, the building was not shown in context with other neighborhood structures for comparison. The Board requested the scale of modulation be shown with actual context in the Recommendation package to demonstrate the modulations are staying true to the massing and scale concept.

The Board noted that Option 3 emphasized the corner with a unique massing volume with a ground-level commercial unit wrapping substantially onto the side street.

The Board especially appreciated that the vertical modulations that provide scale on the east street-facing frontage are also articulated on the west (rear) façade, creating relatable scale at the residential zone transition.

The Board additionally supported the 11' setback along the rear property line and the lower height of Option 3 (as compared to the grade-averaged Option 2 massing) as contributing to the rational design response along the zone transition.

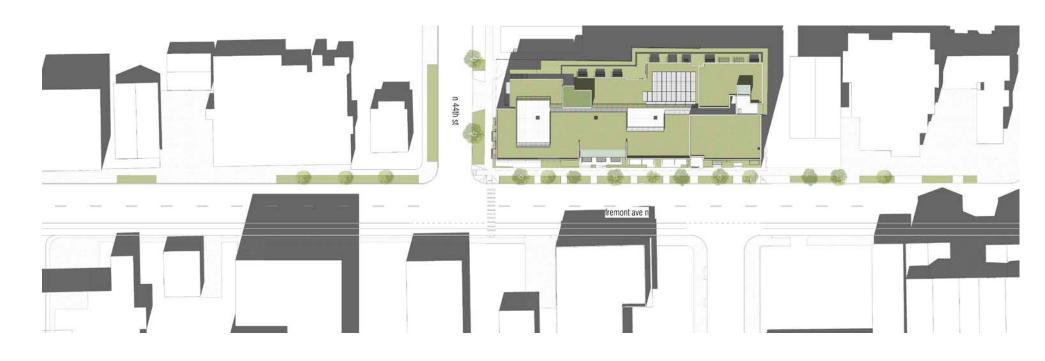
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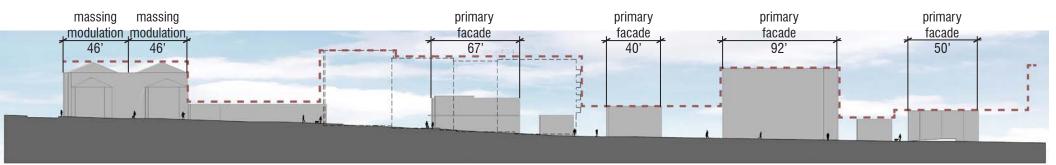
The vertical modulation presented in the approved EDG concept has been maintained by the design team. In evaluating the neighborhood structures for comparison, there is not a consistent breakdown in façade width or modulation. However, when analyzing the larger scale apartment complex to the north, as well as the more developed side of the street – the majority of developments have a primary façade or major massing move between 40' and 70' in width. This is consistent with the modulation presented in our proposed project.

The design team has maintained the preferred corner element with the ground floor wrapping on two sides, the vertical modulations extending through to the west of the site, the 11' rear yard setback, and the split height of Option 3 as requested by the board.

DESIGN GUIDELINES CS2-D-4. Massing Choices DC2-A-2. Reducing Perceived Mass CS3-A-4. Evolving Neighborhoods CS2-C-1. Corner Sites CS2-D-3. Zone Transitions









### **EDG BOARD GUIDANCE**

The Board specifically supported the street-level layout of Option 3 where the commercial units step floor levels to meet the grades as the sidewalk climbs along Fremont Ave N. The stepped ground levels, aligned with the upper-level modulations, create a legible progression of spaces along the frontage.

The Board also supported the differentiated façade treatments at the ground level that create scale in relation to the other storefronts in this neighborhood commercial area.

The Board specifically supported the setback of the corner commercial unit at both the Fremont Ave and N 44th St frontages, allowing for commercial spill out space and creating a visually porous edge between the public and private realms at the corner.

The Board supported the location of the residential entry at the northern edge of the structure long the Fremont Ave frontage. The Board noted that the location of the residential use was logical in terms of progression of the street level uses from commercial at the busy corner to residential at the north edge. They also noted that the entry was oriented towards the 'T' intersection with N Allen PI for convenient access to the crosswalk.

### commercial entry 2 & 3 commercial entry 1 ٢₽ 6' - 2 1/4" 6" - 0" fremont ave n Act <u>A</u> planting strip sidewalk patio

#### **DESIGN RESPONSE**

The design team has maintained the stepped floor levels at the commercial spaces in order to align with the sidewalk and the upper level modulations.

Each vertical modulation is expressed with a similar material, with color aiding in distinguishing the massing modulations. At the ground plane facing the commercial street, the facades are all clad in brick – a nod to the pedestrian nature of the street as well as the historic precedent in the neighborhood. Above the commercial levels, a tone on tone material is applied in order to provide a cohesive vertical expression.

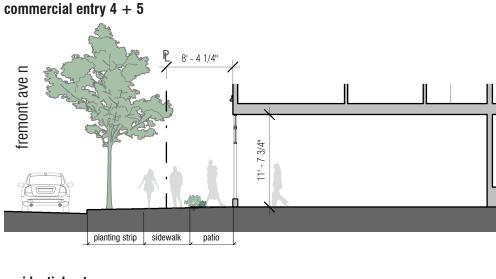
Windows and storefront vary at each commercial facade, relating to the fenestration above while still providing a cohesive expression.

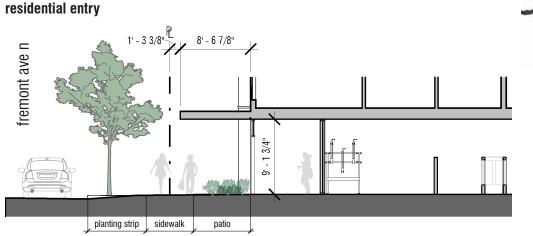
At the corner commercial unit, spillout space has been increased for even greater activity. Additionally this space is distinguished from the others through the use of a wood storefront system.

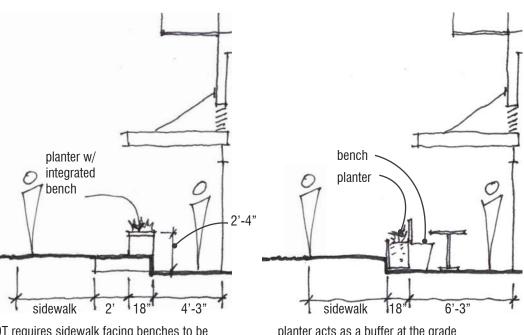
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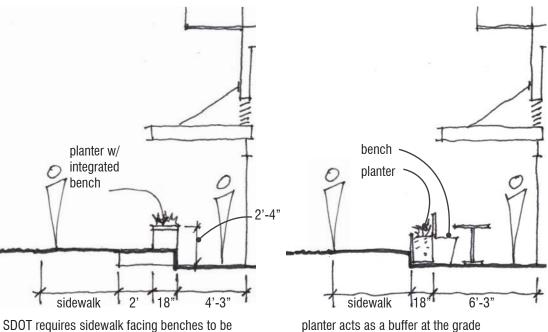
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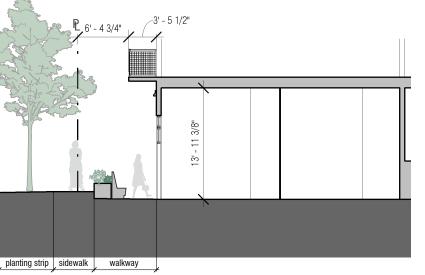


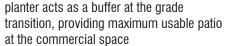


setback 2' from sidewalk reducing usable space

studies @ grade transition

### entry and streetscape | 8.0 DESIGN REVIEW RESPONSES





# 8.0 DESIGN REVIEW RESPONSES | site

### **EDG BOARD GUIDANCE**

The Board discussed the possible addition of balconies as the design progresses and generally supported the potential inclusion of balconies on the west and south facades that could add activation along the street frontages.

The applicant noted that they would likely limit balconies on the west façade due to privacy concerns along the zone transition. The Board noted that balconies on the west façade could provide valuable amenity to units. They requested any balconies proposed on the west façade be studied to ensure impacts of sight lines, visibility and noise are limited on the adjacent residential properties.

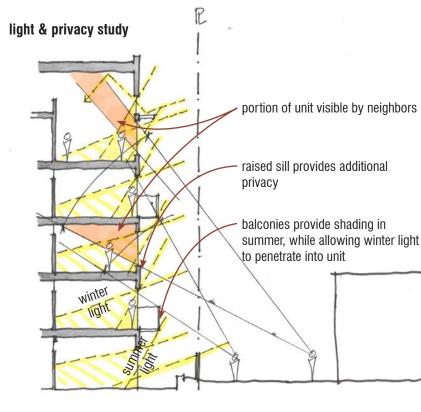
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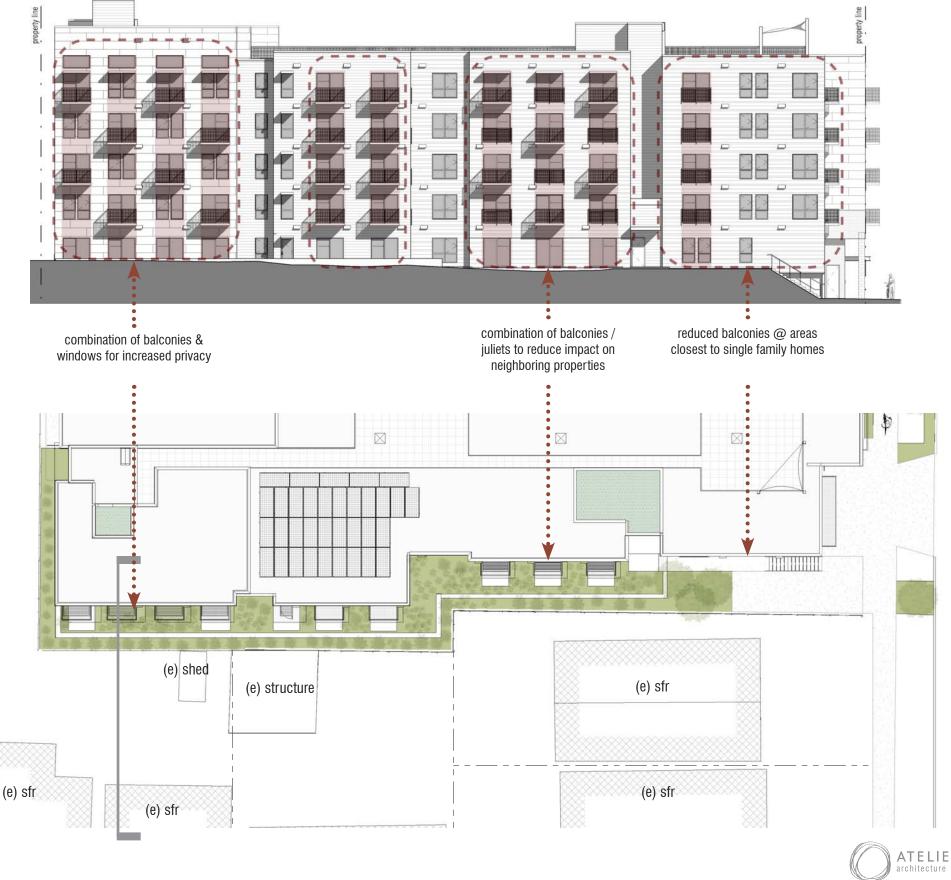
Balconies have been explored as a tenant amenity on the west façade. A combination of balconies, juliets, and larger windows are provided. Balconies have been minimized on the sections of façade closest to the adjacent single family homes.

In addition to a valuable amenity for the residents, the balconies and juliets offer relief to the facade.

For residents of our building, raised sills and balconies aid in privacy from neighbors, while increased privacy can also be provided by utilizing top down, bottom up shades.







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### **EDG BOARD GUIDANCE**

The Board agreed that the Option 3 building massing created the best opportunities for development of appropriate and relevant site plan.

The Board specifically supported creation of additional outdoor space by setting back the edges of the corner commercial unit. The Board noted that this creates the opportunity to blur the edges between public and private outdoor space where the grade allows. The eroded edge along the Fremont Ave frontage, as well as the setback along N 44th St, create a porous pedestrian space that emphasize the very visible corner location.

The Board supported the inclusion of streetscape amenities, like the benches shown at the sidewalk edge on the landscape plan on page 44 of the EDG packet, that create opportunities for engagement and activation at the property line.

The Board supported the 'jogs' shown in the site plan along the street frontage at the commercial unit entries. They supported the concept of retaining the grade between the commercial entrances, creating unique entrance areas. They noted that this layout gave scale to the site design and helped to create a 'small shop' feel to the commercial units.

The Board generally supported the establishment of wider planting strips and new street trees along both street frontages, as required by SDOT. The Board suggested including logical breaks in the planting strips for access to/from street parking.

The Board also noted the high pedestrian use of the public realm in this commercial area and suggested a selection of sturdy plantings that will withstand the high use and high visibility of this location as the project landscape design moves forward.

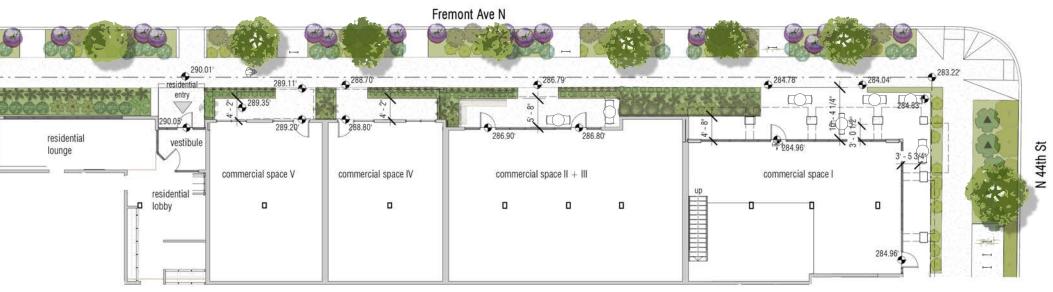
#### **DESIGN RESPONSE**

At the corner commercial unit, spillout space has been increased for additional activity. This space is distinguished from the others through the use of a wood storefront system.

Benches directly adjacent to the sidewalk have been provided adjacent to the residential entry with additional benches, bike parking, and planters within the patio spaces in front of each commercial entrance. These unique spaces provide usable exterior areas for each commercial unit while still providing an active and engaged pedestrian experience. The individual patios also help contribute to the pedestrian scale of the structure. Breaks in the planting strips provide easy access from parking to the commercial spaces as well as short term bike parking.

DESIGN GUIDELINES DC3-A Building-Open Space Relationship CS2-C-1. Corner Sites

#### enlarged plan









### site | 8.0 DESIGN REVIEW RESPONSES

# 8.0 DESIGN REVIEW RESPONSES | materials

### **EDG BOARD GUIDANCE**

The Board supported the concept of material application presented in the architectural precedent images associated with Option 3, as shown on page 35 of the EDG packet. The applicant noted that they did not have a specific materials palette in mind but will be developing that now that a specific massing option has been chosen. The Board suggested limiting the materials palette so the façade composition does not become overly complicated. The Board commented that a restrained materials palette could aid the project in relating to the surrounding small-scale context. One Board member suggested that the applicant could tie materials shown in the neighborhood historic context presented in the packet into a contemporary interpretation with a 5-story building.

The Board noted the high degree of visibility of all four facades of the building due to the height of the new structure. The Board emphasized the importance of continuing the material concept from the two street-facing facades to the rear of the building where the zone transitions to lower density uses.

#### **DESIGN RESPONSE**

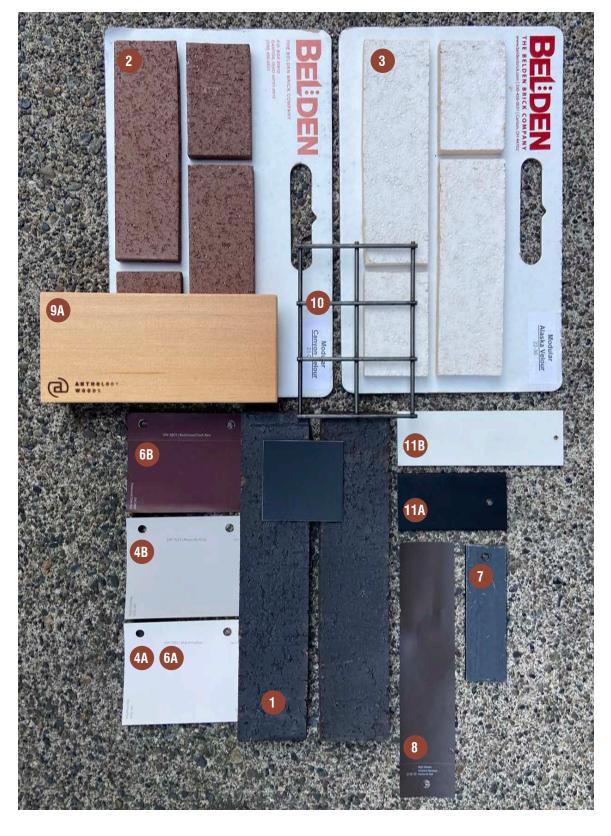
The material expression for the project reinforces the vertical modulation and façade composition. Each vertical mass is conceived as a unified form from top to bottom. At the commercial pedestrian frontage, smaller scale bricks are utilized to respond to the human scale and nod to the historic precedent in the neighborhood. Above the bricks, cementitious panels or planks are painted in a similar tone to the brick below in order to contribute to the cohesion of the vertical masses, while offering a residentially scaled material. Three neutral colors are provided – dark grey, white, and brick tone with windows shwon in a coordinating finish of either black or white. The vertical expression of the material concepts extend along all four sides, with the brick fronting the pedestrian experience only.



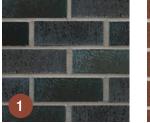
DESIGN GUIDELINES CS3-A-4. Evolving Neighborhoods DC4-A-1. Exterior Finish Materials CS2-D-3. Zone Transitions DC3-C-2. Amenities/Features



#### **MATERIALS PALETTE**



#### MATERIALS LEGEND



coal creek thin brick

canyon velour red thin brick



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cementitious board lap siding w/ 8" exposure. siding paint B: Sherwin Williams 7023 Requisite Gray

custom metal vent shroud, painted to match



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black steel awnings

cementitious 2' x 8' panels, offset pattern. siding paint: Benjamin Moore 2134-10 Night Horizon



w/ wire mesh panels,

powder coated black

**11A** 

vinyl windows and doors - black



# materials | 8.0 DESIGN REVIEW RESPONSES





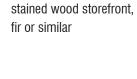
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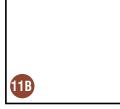
cementitious board lap siding w/ alternating 4" and 8" exposure. siding paint A: Sherwin Williams 7001 Marshmallow



(9A)







vinyl windows and doors - white



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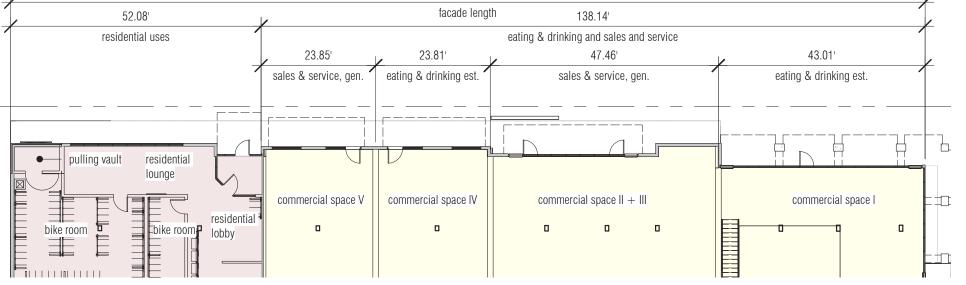


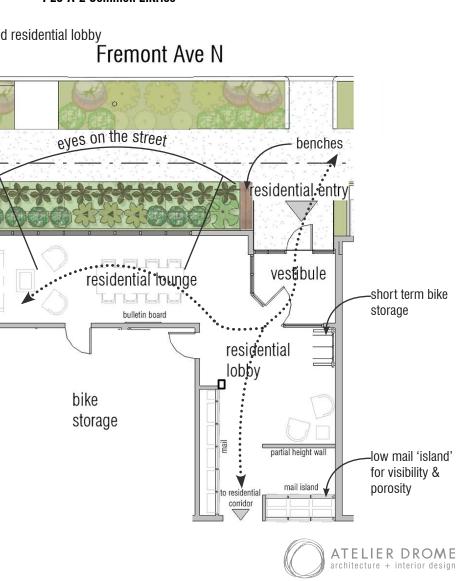
storefront, black

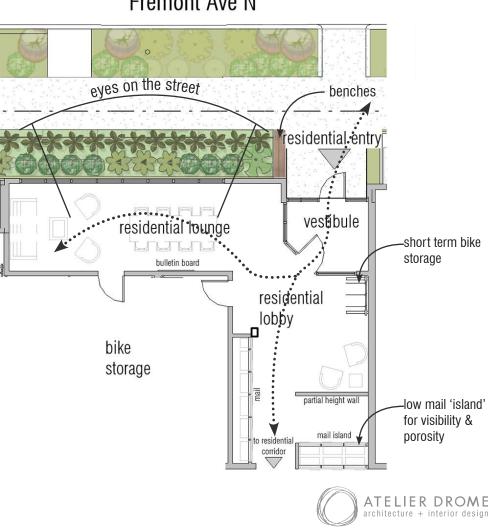


kawneer black storefront

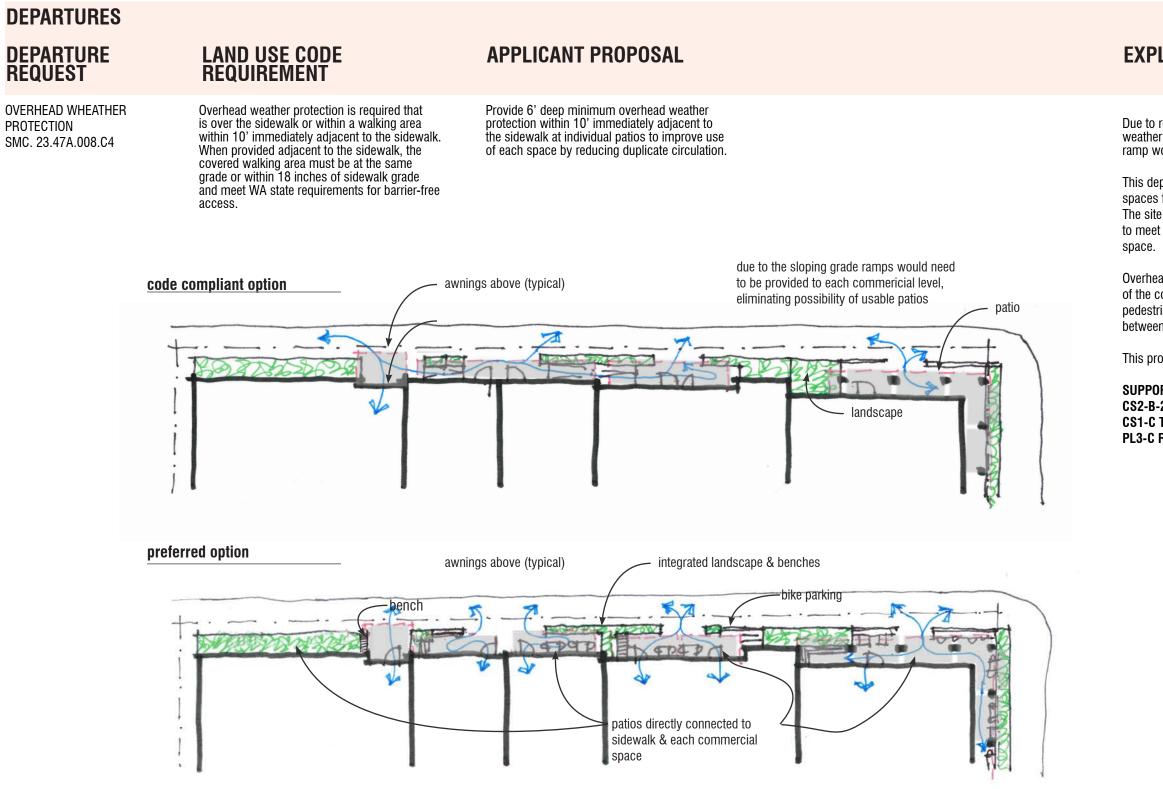
#### **DEPARTURES** LAND USE CODE REQUIREMENT DEPARTURE **APPLICANT PROPOSAL EXPLANATION FOR DEPARTURE** REQUEST RESIDENTIAL USE AT GROUND In all nc and c zones, residential uses may occupy, in the aggregate, no more than 20 AMOUNT OF DEPARTURE Total street level street facing facade: 190.17' 14' (7%) over FLOOR percent of the street level street facing facade 20% Residential street level use allowed: 38.03' SMC 23.47A.005 Proposed residential street level use: 52.03' (27%) SUPPORTED GUIDELINES: PL2-D-1 Design as Wayfinding **PL3-C-3 Ancillary Activities** PL3-A-2 Common Entries enlarged residential lobby fremont ave n 190.22' Fremont Ave N facade length 52.08 138.14







This departure request allows for a residential entry and amenity space at the northern edge of the property, directly facing the intersection of Allen Place. This provides a new residential node for the neighborhood, providing clear wayfinding to and from amenties such as the grocery store, while also distinguishing the residential entry from the commercial spaces to the south. The increased width of the residential use allows for an activated residential amenity space, providing eyes on the street throughout the day and night.





### overhead weather protection | 9.0 DEPARTURES REQUEST

### **EXPLANATION FOR DEPARTURE**

Due to required powerline setbacks, in order to provide overhead weather protection that is code compliant, a secondary walkway/ ramp would need to be provided adjacent to the sidewalk

This departure request allows for development of level exterior spaces for use by the retail and commercial spaces along Fremont. The site has a significant grade change and each space is allowed to meet the grade to provide a level, useable and accessible exterior

Overhead weather protection is provided in compliance with the intent of the code but is located over the outdoor spaces along Fremont for pedestrians, visitors and shoppers to pause and enjoy the connection between the street and commercial activities.

This proposal provides a better connection to the sidewalk edge.

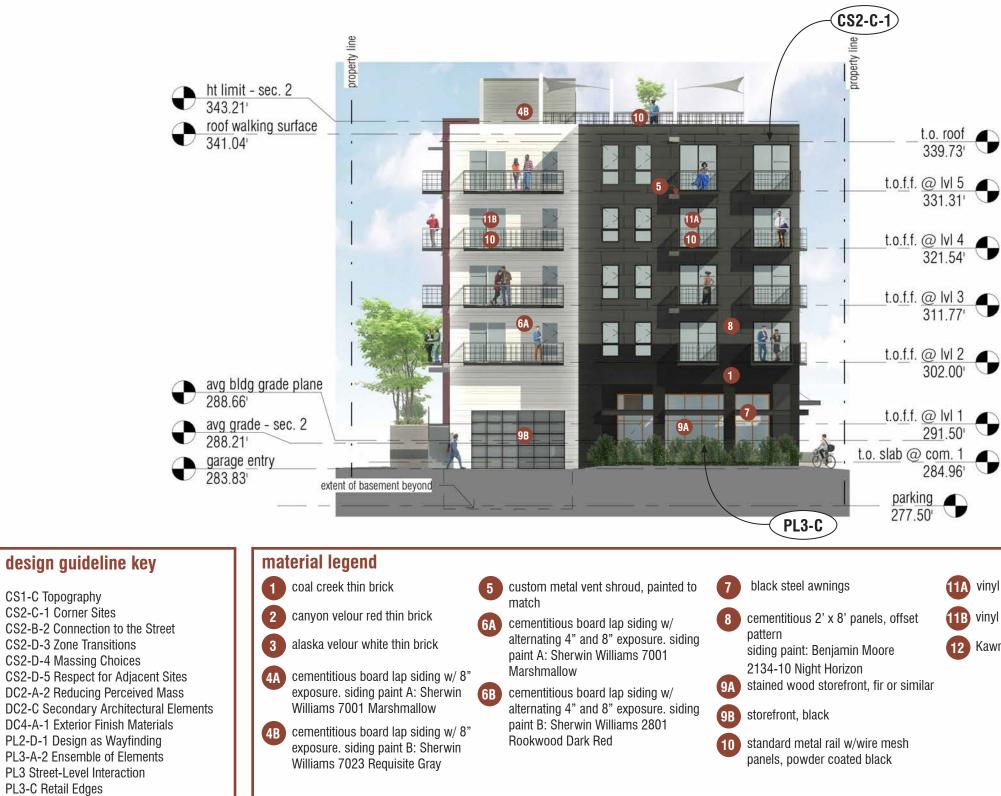
**SUPPORTED GUIDELINES: CS2-B-2** Connection to the Street CS1-C Topography **PL3-C Retail Edges** 

# **10.0 ARCHITECTURAL DESIGN** | east elevation



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# south elevation **10.0 ARCHITECTURAL DESIGN**

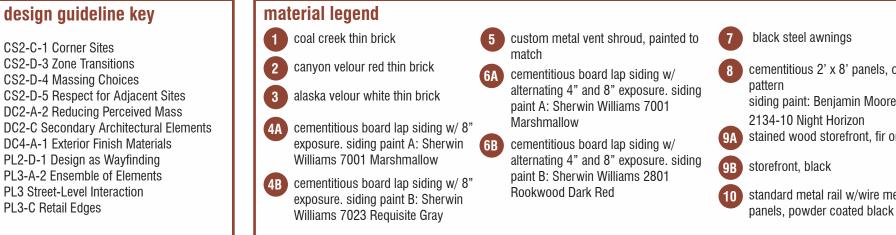
**11A** vinyl windows and doors - black

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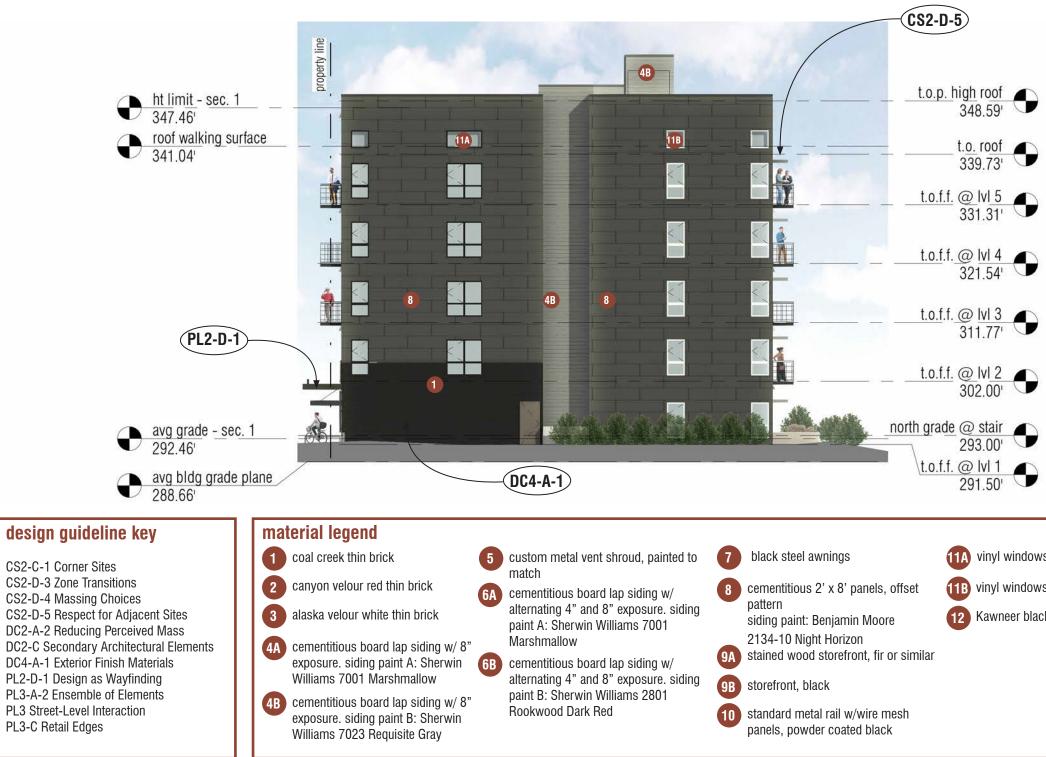
# **10.0 ARCHITECTURAL DESIGN** | west elevation





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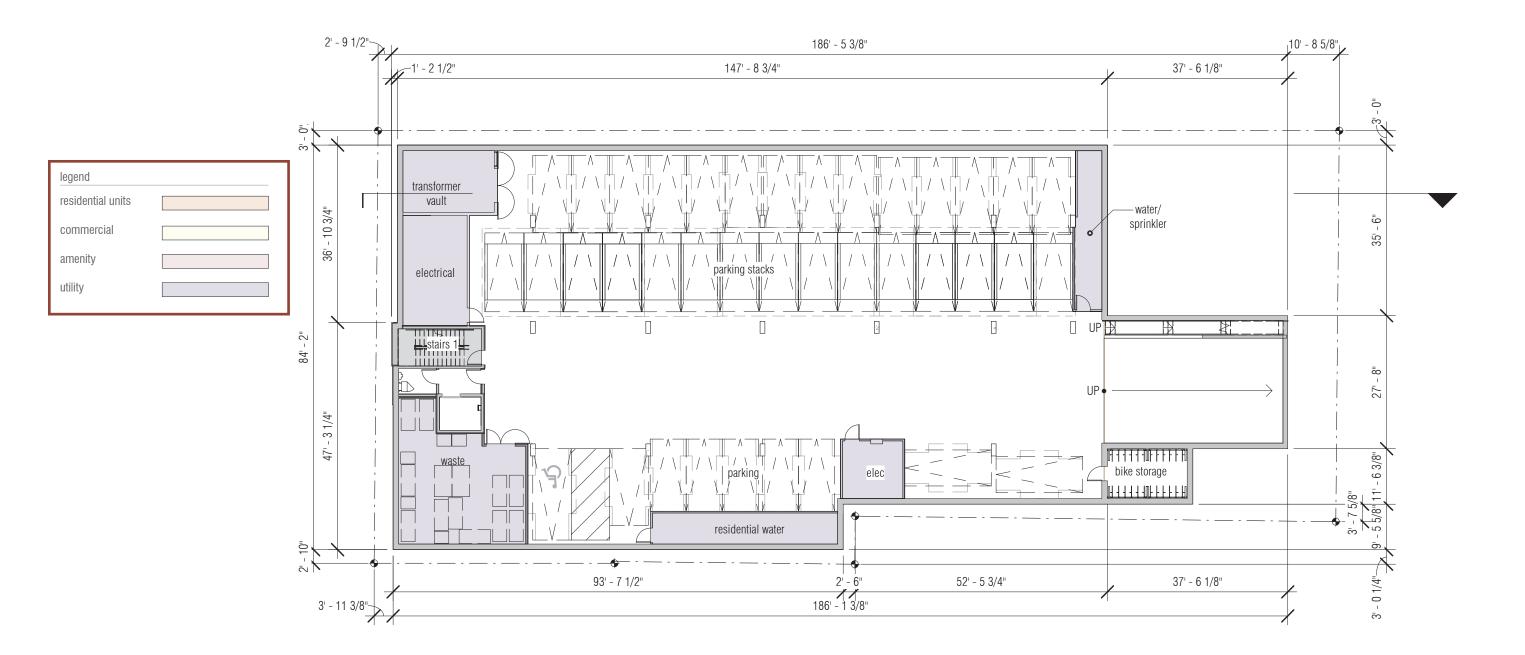




# north elevation | **10.0 ARCHITECTURAL DESIGN**

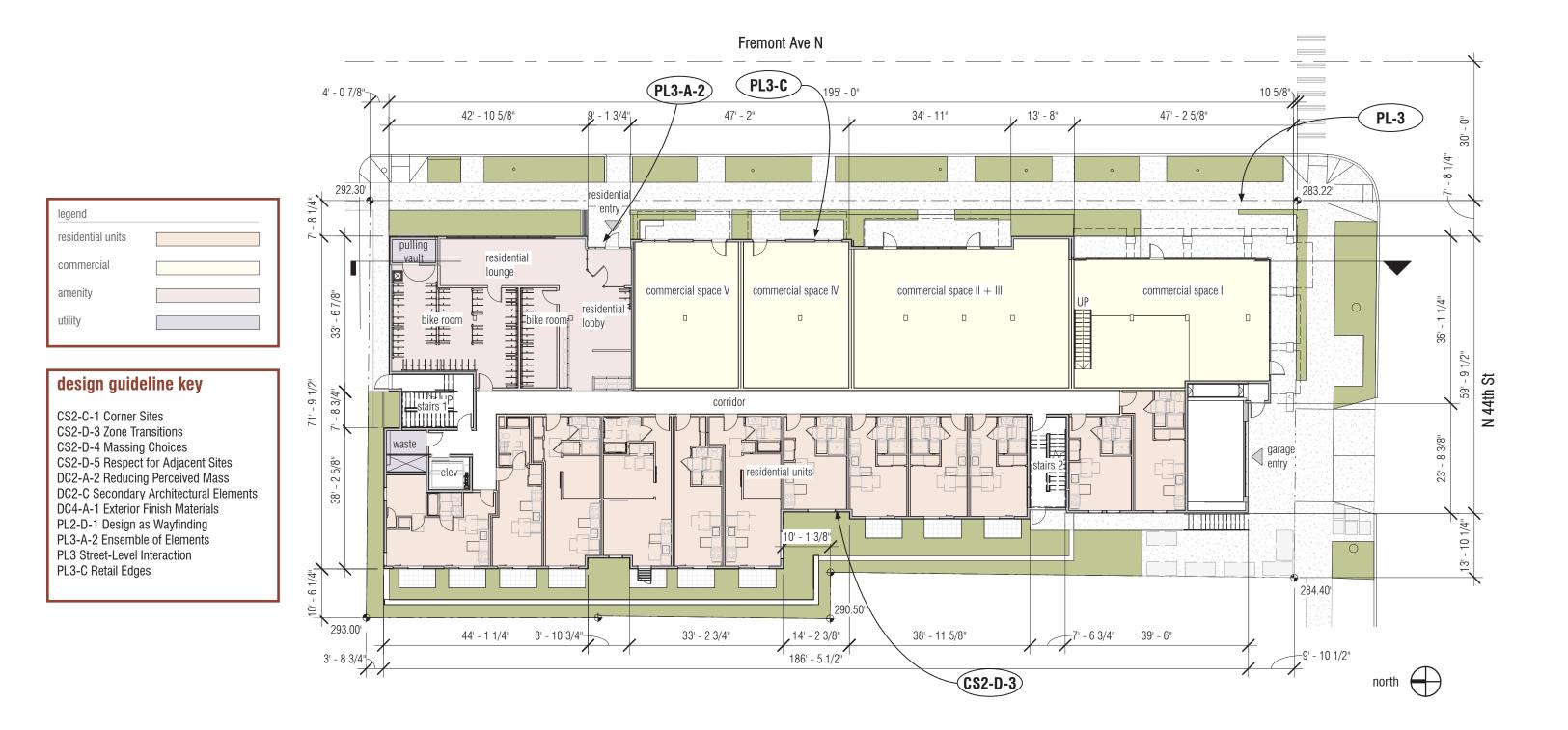
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# **10.0 ARCHITECTURAL DESIGN** garage plan





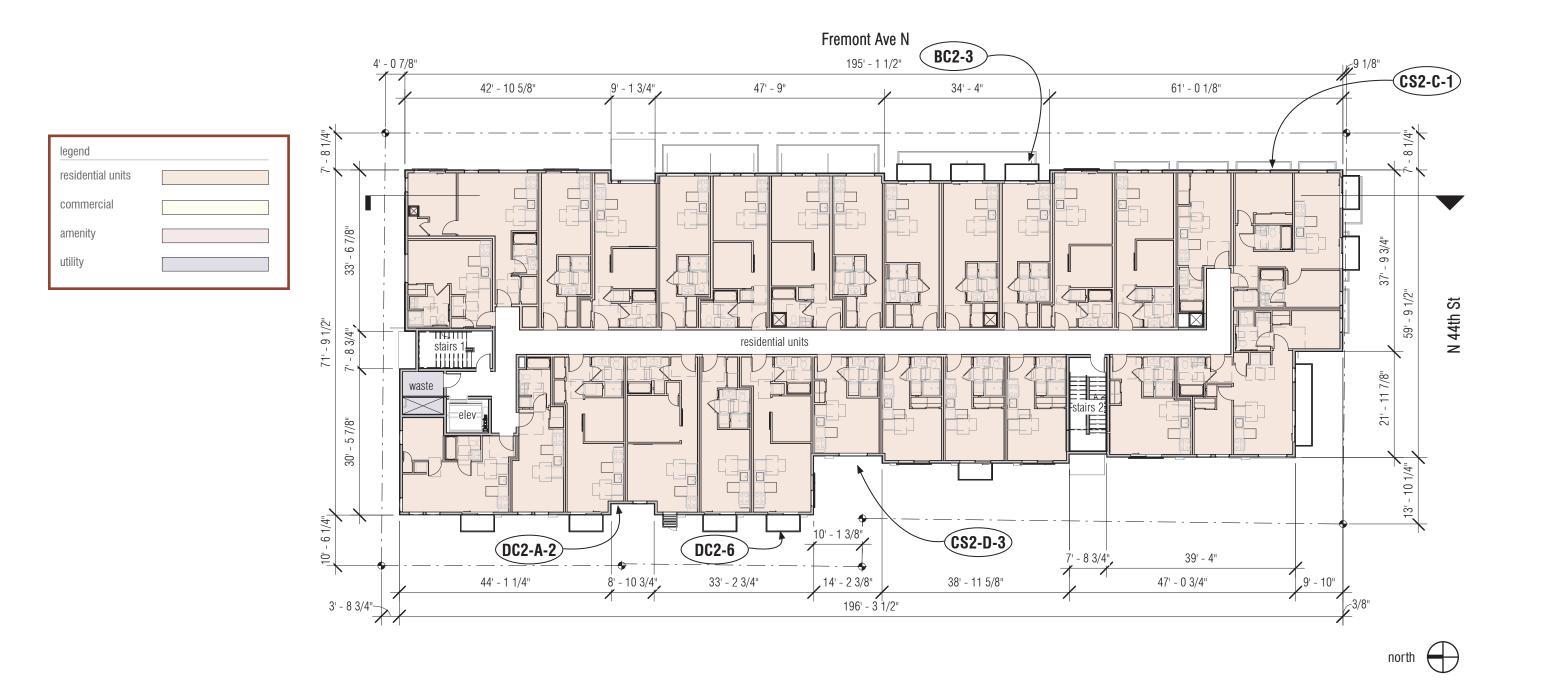




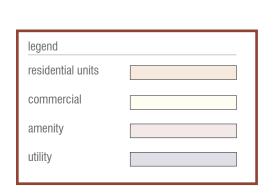


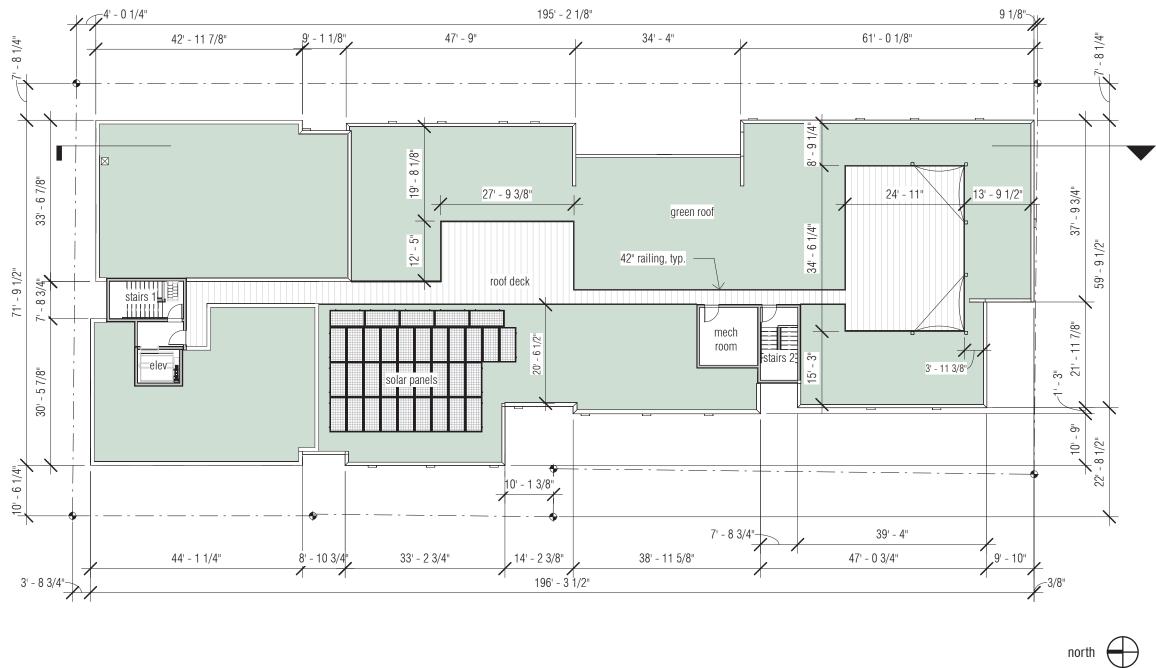
### first floor - plan | 10.0 ARCHITECTURAL DESIGN

# **10.0 ARCHITECTURAL DESIGN** | second-fifth floor plan (typ.)











# roof plan | 10.0 ARCHITECTURAL DESIGN

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# **10.0 ARCHITECTURAL DESIGN** | section at residential lobby









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# view from the corner of n 44th st and evanston ave n | **10.0 ARCHITECTURAL DESIGN**

# **10.0 ARCHITECTURAL DESIGN** | looking south on fremont ave n.





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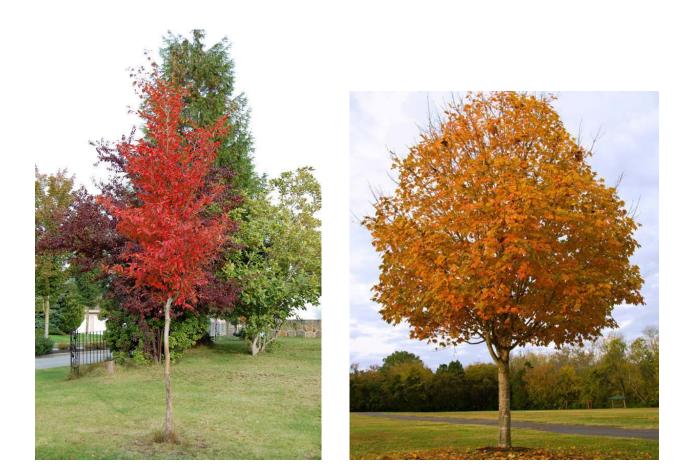
# landscape design concept | **10.0 ARCHITECTURAL DESIGN**

### **GARDEN APARTMENT LANDSCAPE CONCEPT:**

We are exploring providing private patios for the residents on the north-west corner of the building, which will receive good sun exposure from the south and west. We are looking at providing them with green vertical trellis separation, using natural cedar to add warmth and texture.

### **ROOFTOP LANDSCAPE CONCEPT AND AMENITIES:**

The rooftop will be over 80% landscaped, with areas for residents to sit, relax and work from home. We will provide areas for individual and group seating, with an emphasis on the southern roof area, which has views to the Olympics, Downtown, and the Cascades. This will also direct the most activity towards Fremont Ave with its higher intensity zone, providing more privacy for the lowrise zone to the west.







Roof



Shade Gardens











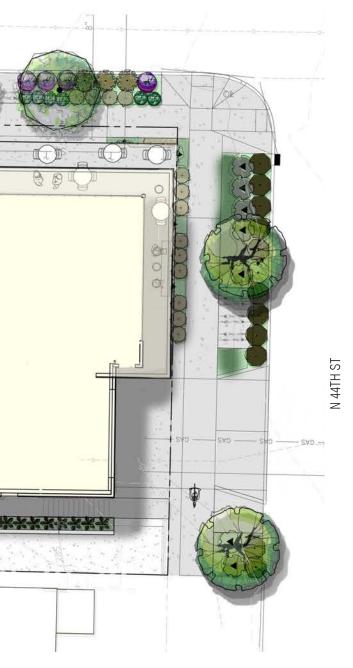
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# **10.0 ARCHITECTURAL DESIGN** | landscape design concept - ground plane

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LANDSCAPE PLAN - GROUND PLANE







# landscape design concept - rooftop | **10.0 ARCHITECTURAL DESIGN**



LANDSCAPE PLAN - ROOFTOP



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# **10.0 ARCHITECTURAL DESIGN** | base landscape lighting design concepts



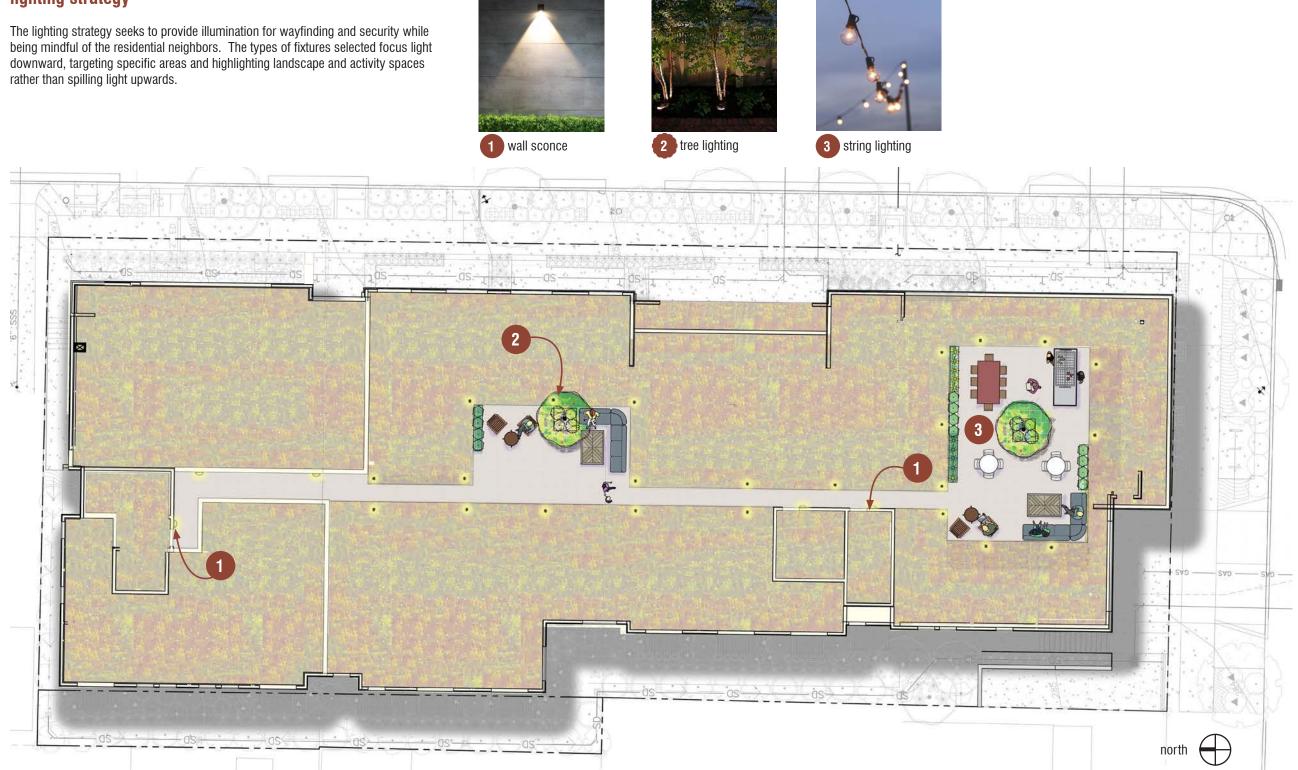


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# roof deck landscape lighting design concepts | **10.0 ARCHITECTURAL DESIGN**

### lighting strategy





# **10.0 ARCHITECTURAL DESIGN** | looking north on fremont ave n.



# APPENDIX



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# 11.0 APPENDIX | solid waste approval letter



August 22, 2023

Molly O'Donnell Atelier Drome

Dear Molly,

Thank you for submitting to SPU the solid waste service plans for **4401 Fremont Ave N.**, subject to review by the Seattle Department of Construction and Inspections (SDCI) as Permit **# 3039107-LU**.

SPU has reviewed your solid waste plans and approves the following conditions:

## 118 units (66 SEDUs + 52 apartments) + 4,200 ft<sup>2</sup> retail

- Building staff will stage dumpsters in designated solid waste staging area off N. 44<sup>th</sup> St.
- Building staff will stage food+yard waste carts in the planting strip of N. 44<sup>th</sup> St.
- SPU drivers will come on-site to collect all dumpsters from the designated staging area.
- Residents will have on-floor access to garbage and recycle via chutes and food+yard waste via container.

### Multifamily Services (66 SEDUs + 52 apartments)

- Garbage: 5 1.5yd dumpsters serviced 2x/week
- Recycle: 4 1.5yd dumpsters serviced 2x/week
- Food waste: 3 96g carts serviced 1x/week

### Commercial Services (retail)

- Garbage: 1 2yd dumpsters serviced 2x/week
- Recycle: 1 2yd dumpsters serviced 2x/week
- Food waste: 2 96g carts serviced 1x/week

Please work with the assigned SDCI zoning reviewer to adopt this plan. If the attached drawings differ from the Construction drawings, you will need to update your permit application to consistently reflect the contents of this letter or seek re-review and re-approval from SPU Solid Waste Development Review of the proposed changes to solid waste storage and access.

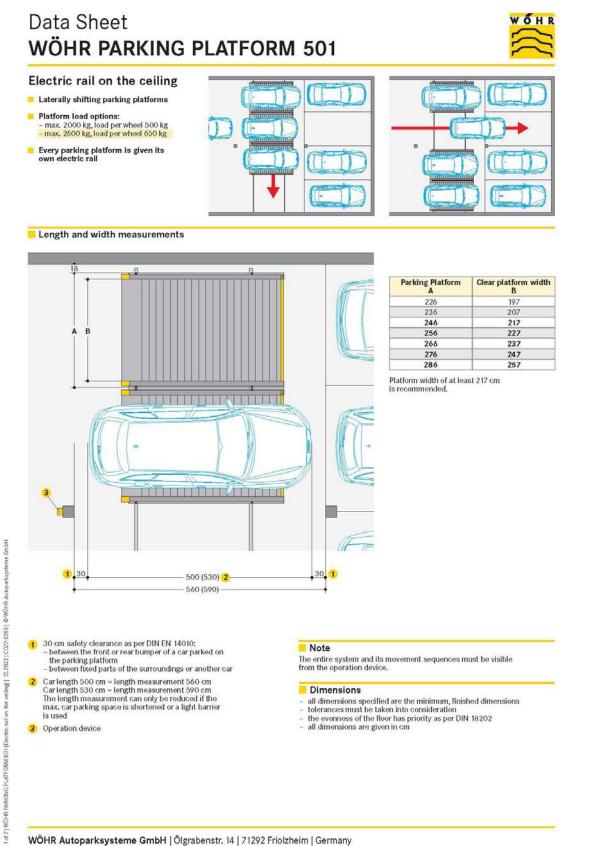
Call SPU Customer Service at 206.684.7665 one month prior to occupancy to request residential solid waste services.

Call WM at 855.894.9447 one month prior to occupancy to request commercial solid waste services.

Sincerely,

Adam Maurer Seattle Public Utilities Solid Waste Division 206.300.9613 adam.maurer@seattle.gov





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# parking system | **11.0 APPENDIX**

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\* maximum lane + tyre width with platform width 217 cm \* for the maximum height of the car, please observe the structural conditions

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500 (530)

Installation of the running rails:

attached by the custome

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- 500 (530) -

Track and floor details (electric rail on the ceiling)

Track loading due to a moving traffic load:

PARKING PLATFORM 501-2,0:

max. 7,5 kN per track roller - PARKING PLATFORM 501-2,6: max. 7,6 kN per track roller

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-500 (530)

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Clearance profile

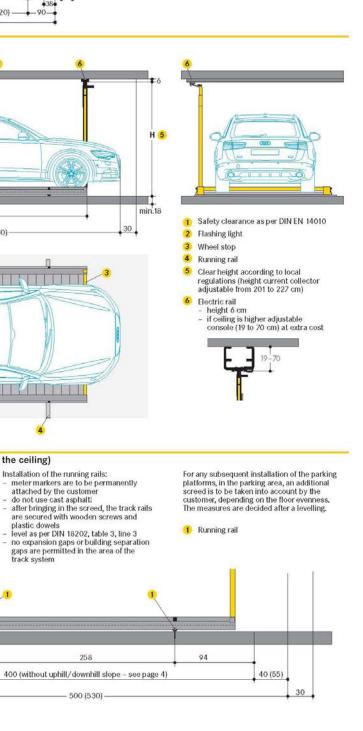
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Electric rail on the ceiling

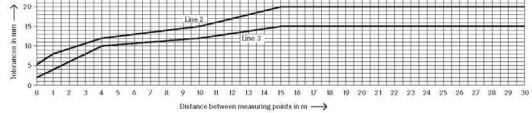
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() Dimensions in brackets for car length 530 cm



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Even	ness and tolerances						
	g to DIN EN 14010, the safety clearance between the outer ges of the parking platforms and the garage floor must not cm.	In order to comply with the requirement and to obtain the necessary floor level, the tolerances of the evenness of the finished floor cannot be exceeded according to DIN 18202, table 3, line 3, Therefore, exact levelling of the floor by the customer is essential.					annot
Abst	ract from DIN 18202, table 3						
Column	1		2	3	4	5	6
			Vertical measurements as limits in mm with measuring points distances in m to*				
Line	Reference		0,1	1	4	10	15
2	Unfinished to surface of covers, subconcrete and subsoils for higher demands, e.g. as foundation for cast plaster floor, industrial soils, paving tiles and slabstone paving, compund floor paving. Finished surfaces for minor purposes, e.g. warehouses, cellars.		5	8	12	15	20
3	Finished grounds, e.g. floor pavement serving as foundation for coverings. Coverings, tile coverings, PVC flooring and glued coverings.		2	4	10	12	15



#### Measuring points: finished floor (electric rail on the ceiling)

The evenness of a surface is tested by gauge measurements between two measuring points on the surface irrespective of its position and inclination.

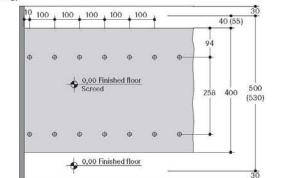
When inspected by WÖHR only a random test is made in areas which appear to be uneven.

For the uniform verification of the evenness of the floor surface, the measuring points are defined as surveying and control points.

#### For the finished floor:

Measuring points in the longitudinal distance of 100 cm for checking the unevenness as per DIN 18202, table 3, line 3 and / or as per diagram

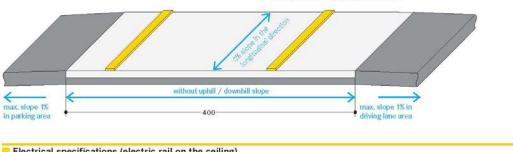
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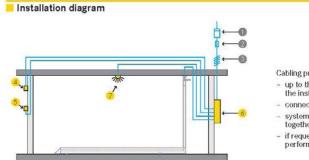
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## Drainage

As per the requirements of DIN EN 14010 and the accident prevention regulations, the distance between the lower edge of the parking platform and finished floor is max. 2 cm.



### Electrical specifications (electric rail on the ceiling)



#### To be performed by the customer

Item	Quantity	Description	Position	Recurrence
0	1 piece	power meter	in the feed cable	1 x per control
0	1 piece	fuse protection or automatic circuit breaker compliant to DIN VDE 0100 part 430: 3 x 16 A slow blow	in the feed cable	1 x per control
0	based on site conditions	compliant to local power supply regulations 3 phases + N + PE* 230/400 V, 50 Hz	feed cables to main switch	1 x per control

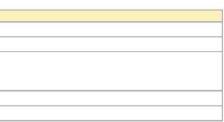
\* DIN VDE 0100 sections 410 and 430 (no permanent load) 3 phases + N+ PE (three phase current)

### Scope of delivery by WÖHR (unless otherwise specified)

Lockable main switch	
Operation device	
Control unit (position must be defined object-dependently) Space demand (height x width x depth): - 1 to 8 parking platforms: 800 x 1000 x 210 mm - per 8 further parking platforms: 600 x 400 x 210 mm	
Flashing light	
	Operation device Control unit (position must be defined object-dependently) Space demand (height x width x depth); - 1 to 8 parking platforms: 800 x 1000 x 210 mm - per 8 further parking platforms: 600 x 400 x 210 mm

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- Sloping in the parking area is prohibited. For water drainage, the areas outside the parking platform area are to be provided with a slope of max. 1%.

- Cabling preparation to be performed by the customer: up to the main switch to be in place prior to starting the installation operations
- connection to the main switch during installation
- system functional check testing can be performed by WÖHR together with the electrician provided by the customer
- if requested at a later date, functional check testing can be performed by WÖHR at extra-cost





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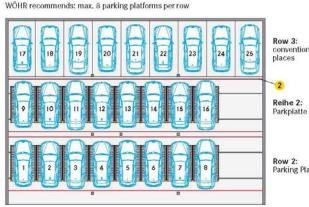
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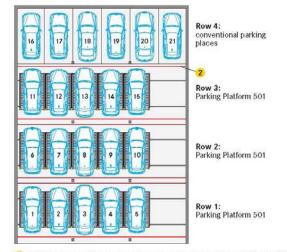
## 3 rows one behind the other



2 Light barriers must be provided for multi-row arrangements compliant to DIN EN 14010.

### 4 rows one behind the other

WÖHR recommends: max. 5 parking platforms per row



2 Light barriers must be provided for multi-row arrangements compliant to DIN EN 14010.

Arrangement possibilities and parking place numbering (with 2 rows) Different numbering of parking places is possible at extra cost (software changes are necessary). 2 rows one behind the other (up to 30 m rail length) Planning example with 10 parking platforms with a platform width of 217 cm: 15 19 16 17 18 20 Row 2: 12 conventional parking 13 14 places Row 1: Parking Platform 501 Rail length max. 30 m

No light barriers are required for rails up to a length of 30 m.

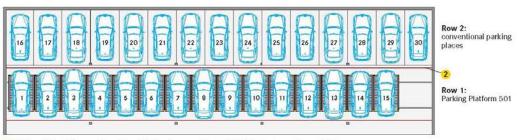
The number of possible parking platforms depends on the platform width (see table). The final number of parking platforms may vary depending on the requirements and the design of the building (e.g. width of the pillars, etc.).

Parking Platform A <mark>1</mark>	Clear platform width B 1	Number of Parking Platforms
226	197	11
236	207	11
246	217	10
256	227	9
266	237	9
276	247	8
286	257	8

1 See graphic on page 1

### 2 rows one behind the other (over 30 m rail length)

WÖHR recommends: max. 15 parking platforms per row



2 If the rail length is more than 30 m, light barriers compliant to DIN EN 14010 must be provided.



# parking system | **11.0 APPENDIX**

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### Notes and directions

#### Scope of application

- suitable for residential buildings, office buildings and business premises only for long-term users that have been instructed on how to use the system



### - number of parking platforms through RFID

- parking platforms are moved in such a way that access to the selected parking space is freely accessible
- on the left side of the parking space there is about 60-80 cm space for getting in and out
- getting in and out area can also be provided on the right side

### Temperature

Operation

- system operating range: +5° to +40°C
- humidity: 50% at +40°C
- in the event of changes to system conditions please consult with WÖHR accordingly

#### Lighting

- sufficient lighting of the driving aisle and of the parking places must be performed by the customer

### Noise emission

- low running noise due to ball bearing rollers

### Fire safety

- all fire safety requirements and all mandatory equipment (fire extinguisher and fire alarm systems, etc.) must be performed by the customer

## Maintenance

- WÖHR and all the WÖHR partners abroad provide an installation and customer service network
- regular, annual maintenance is provided subject to the stipulation of a maintenance agreement

#### Prevention of corrosion damage

- all operations listed in the WÖHR Cleaning and Maintenance Instructions are to be performed regularly (independently of maintenance operations)
- zinc-plated parts, components and platforms are to be kept clean of dirt, road-salt and any other debris (due to corrosion hazards)
- always keep the garage well ventilated and deaerated

#### Conformity examination (TÜV) voluntary conformity assessment by the TÜV SÜD The parking systems are compliant to: - EC Machinery Directive 2006/42/EC - DIN EN 140 10 Surface protection V - please consider the information on surface protection! Tender specification V - please consider the specifications! Parking Place-Profile O - please consider the product information Parking Place-Profile!

## Electromobility

- please consider the product information E-charging! depending on the position of the charging point on the electric vehicle, collision points with protruding plugs and charging cables can occur

### Product liability

WÖHR assumes no liability for any damage resulting from crushing hazards if the floor implementation notes and the flatness tolerances are exceeded. The distance between the lower edge of the parking platform and the floor must be max. 2 cm.

#### Construction formalities

- the docum entation necessary for construction permit applications is provided by WÖHR on demand

#### Construction alterations and/or modifications

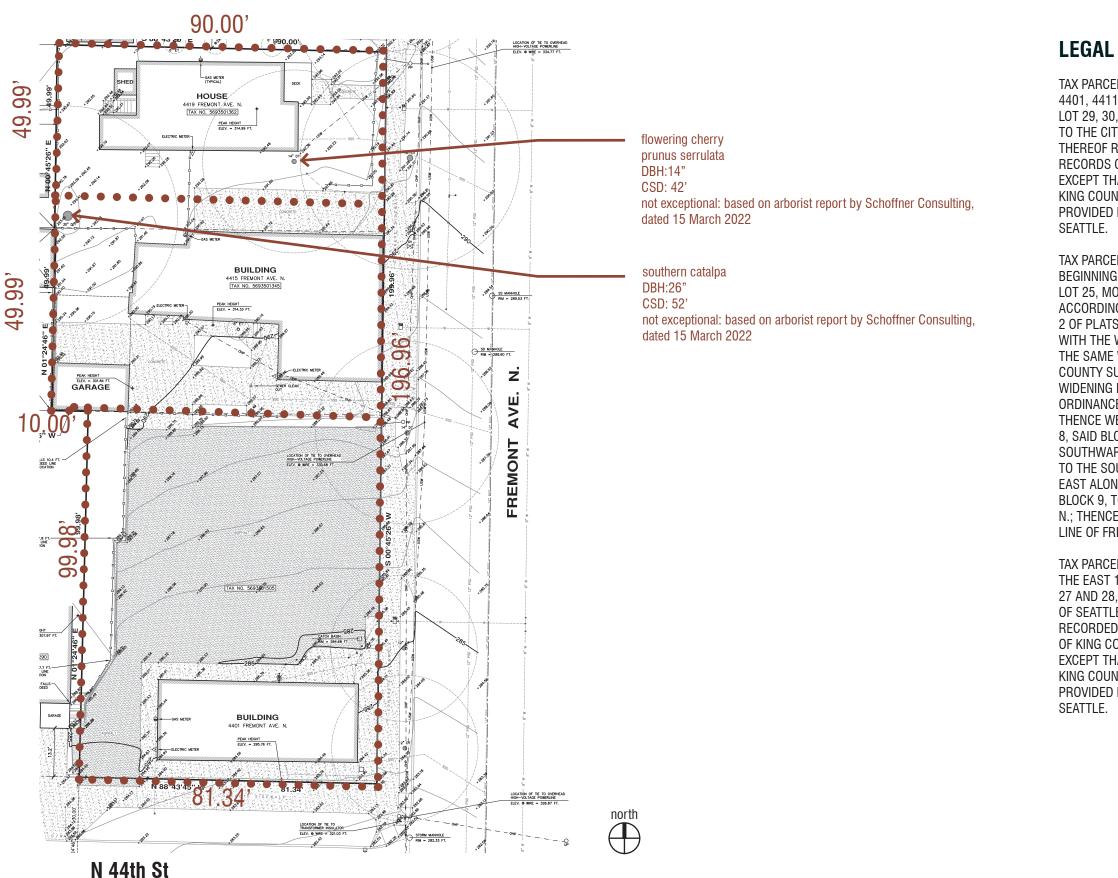
- the right to construction or model modifications and/or variations is hereby reserved

- the right to any subsequent part modification and/or variation and amendments in procedures and standards due to technical and engineering progresses or due to environmental regulation changes is also hereby reserved

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# **LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

TAX PARCEL NO. 5693501505 4401, 4411, 4419 FREMONT AVE N LOT 29, 30, 31, AND 32, BLOCK 9, MOTOR LINE ADDITION TO THE CITY OF SEATTLE, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN VOLUME 2 OF PLATS, PAGE 164, RECORDS OF KING COUNTY, WA. EXCEPT THAT PORTION CONDEMNED FOR FREMONT AVE. IN KING COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT CAUSE NO. 52566, AS PROVIDED BY ORDINANCE NO. 13677 OF THE CITY OF

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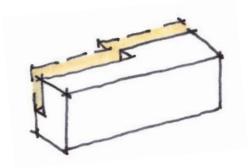
BEGINNING AT THE INTERSECTION OF THE NORTH LINE OF LOT 25. MOTOR LINE ADDITION TO THE CITY OF SEA ffie. ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN VOLUME 2 OF PLATS, PAGE 164, RECORDS OF KING COUNTY, WA., WITH THE WEST MARGINAL LINE OF FREMONT AVE. N., AS THE SAME WAS ESTABLISHED BY PROCEEDINGS IN KING COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT CAUSE NO. 52566 FOR WIDENING FREMONT AVE., AS PROVIDED FOR IN ORDINANCE NO. 13677 OF THE CITY OF SEATTLE; THENCE WEST ALONG THE NORTH LINE OF LOTS 25 AND 8, SAID BLOCK 9, A DISTANCE OF 90 FEET; THENCE SOUTHWARD PARALLEL WITH SAID WEST MARGINAL LINE TO THE SOUTH LINE OF LOT 7. SAID BLOCK 9: THENCE EAST ALONG THE SOUTH LINES OF LOTS 7 AND 26, SAID BLOCK 9, TO THE WEST MARGINAL LINE OF FREMONT AVE. N.; THENCE NORTHWARD ALONG SAID WEST MARGINAL LINE OF FREMONT AVE. N. TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

## TAX PARCEL NO. 5693501345

THE EAST 10 FEET OF LOTS 5 AND 6, AND ALL OF LOTS 27 AND 28, BLOCK 9, MOTOR LINE ADDITION TO THE CITY OF SEATTLE, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN VOLUME 2 OF PLATS, PAGE 164, RECORDS OF KING COUNTY, WA.

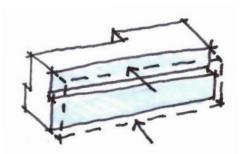
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# **11.0 APPENDIX** massing explorations



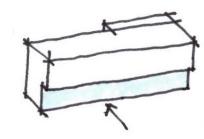
# ZONING ENVELOPE

• The building envelope is delineated by the zoning code, with the 55' zone height limit, and setbacks for the abutting LR1 zone on the west facade.



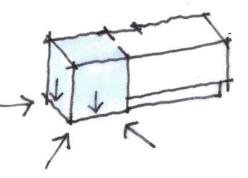
## SITE-SPECIFIC SETBACKS

•The overall mass is further carved by site-specific requirements on Fremont Ave N. A 3' setback is provided as required by SDOT for the sidewalk and frontage zone. The upper floors are pushed back for the SCL powerline setback.



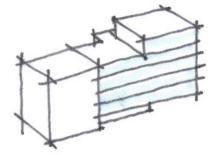
## **OPTION 1 (CODE-COMPLIANT)**

• The mass is refined and responds to the importance of pedestrian experience by setting back on Fremont. •The urban edge is held above grade creating weather protection for street scape.



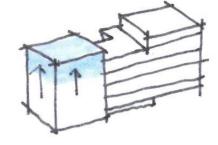
## ENHANCED CORNER

•The corner of 44th & Fremont is a highly visible and established focal point of the upper Fremont neighborhood. The building corner is grounded and holds the edge of the sidewalk.



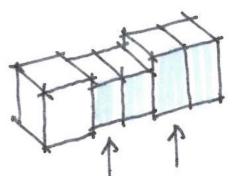
# **OPTION 2 (DEPARTURES)**

• The secondary mass is broken down horizontally to provide relief from the long facade on Fremont.



# **RE-AFFIRM CORNER**

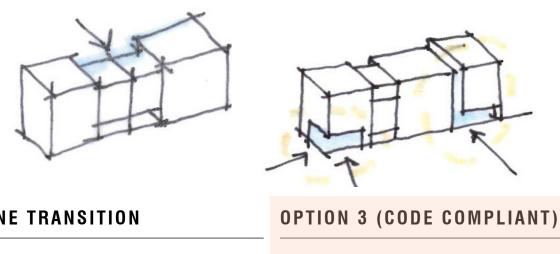
• The corner is raised to maintain it's significance, which was diminished by the north mass in option 2.



## VERTICAL MODULATION

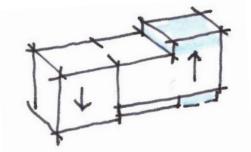
• Study of existing and historic buildings in the neighborhood provides additional direction and clarity of how the north mass should be modulated. • Expression of breaking down secondary mass explored

vertically, to reduce the long horizontal.



## ZONE TRANSITION

•Recess the west facade and provide modulation to respond to the LR zone and existing single-family houses.



## **TOPOGRAPHY REFINEMENT**

•The building terraces to take advantage of the topography and allow the ground floor spaces to meet the ground plane, allowing for each commercial space to be accessible.

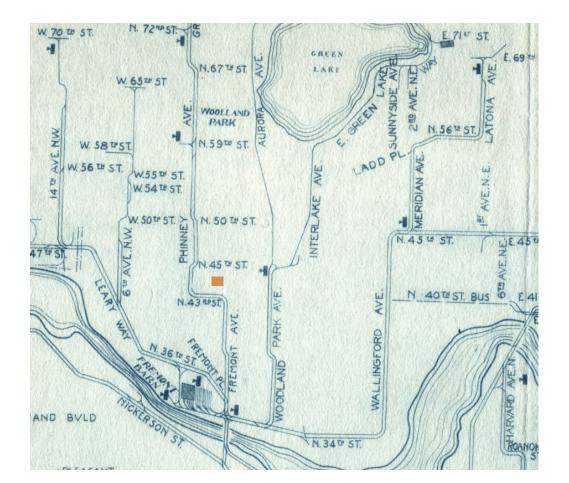
• Vertical modulation of massing on Fremont accentuates the corner and allows individual response and connection to the street.

. Corner element is carved away at the ground floor to create pedestrian open space that can be vibrant and used day & night by a cafe, and enhance the pedestrian experience.

·Establish pedestrian node to reinforce connection to N Allen Place.

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# HISTORIC CONTEXT AND FRAMEWORK

In the early 1900s, Upper Fremont was served by a private streetcar system and then later by the Seattle Municipal Railway, extending public transportation into Ballard, Phinney Ridge, Wallingford and Green Lake. The Phinney line (Route 21) was a double track, and ran on Fremont Ave N. The line turned west at N 43rd and continued north to Woodland Park, Phinney Ridge, and Greenwood. According to the City of Seattle's Historic Resources Survey Report, Fremont's "most intense period of residential development occurred after 1902 and was spurred in part by the addition of additional streetcar routes."

The Phinney line was one of the last lines to stop running in 1941. The advent of the automobile reduced ridership and clogged the shared roadways, slowing down the public transit option. One of the biggest impacts to Fremont was the "expansion of Aurora Street, which had been an historic residential street in the neighborhood, to a multi-lane highway served to divide off the eastern portion of the neighborhood" and bisecting Woodland Park.

Today, the streetcars are gone, but several of the buildings from that early boom still exist and contribute to Upper Fremont's historic and cultural character.



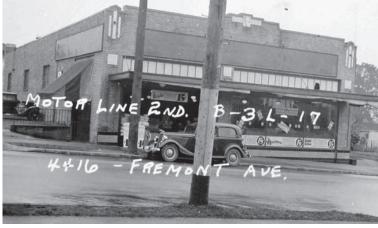
View east from N 43rd and Evanston Ave N, with tracks of Seattle Municipal Railway, dated 6 Jan 1921. SMR271, Seattle Photograph Collection, University of Washington Libraries, Special Collections



# historic context and framework | **11.0 APPENDIX**

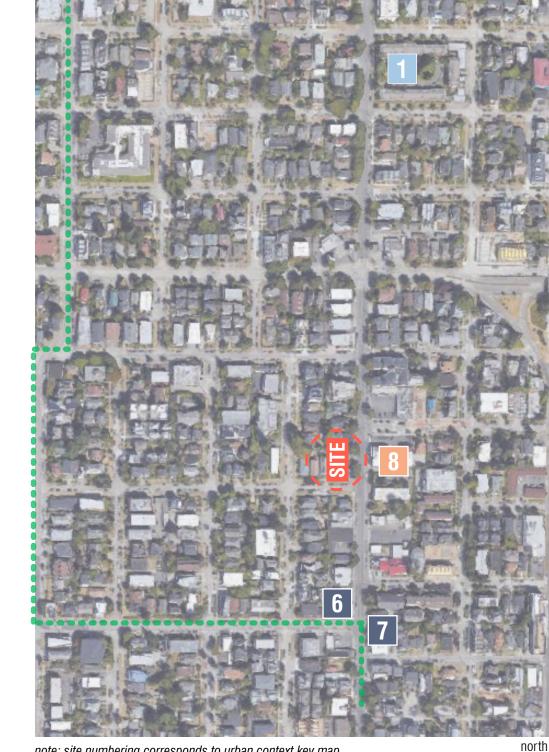
# **11.0 APPENDIX** | historic context key map



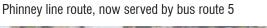




• Large horizontal awning/datum • Clear hierarchy of structure, void, and secondary features



note: site numbering corresponds to urban context key map

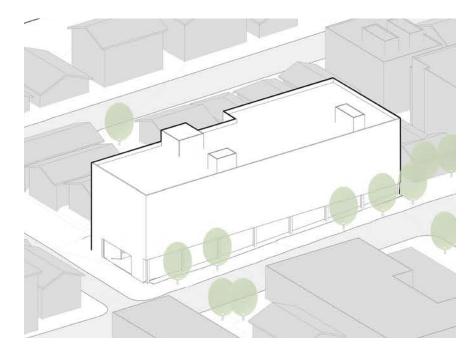




• Strong horizontal cornice at parapet Repetitive windows

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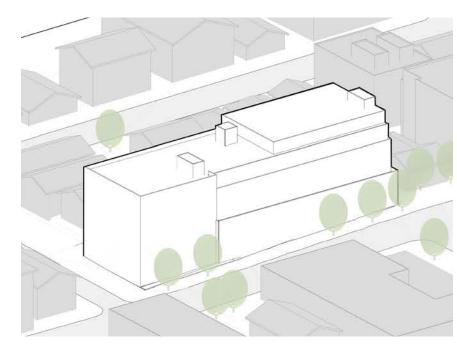
# **OPTION 1**

COMMERCIAL USE: Residential USE: Parking: 2 SPACES, 2,658 SF TOTAL 115 UNITS 44 STALLS



DEPARTURES:

NONE (CODE COMPLIANT)



# **OPTION 2**

COMMERCIAL USE: Residential USE: Parking:

5 SPACES, 5,068 SF TOTAL 112 UNITS 46 STALLS



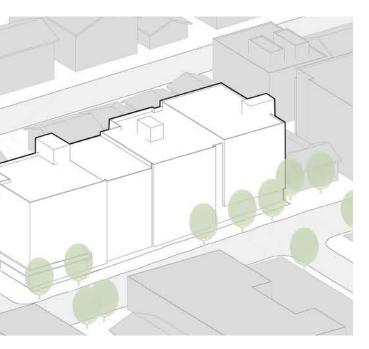
DEPARTURES:

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- DRIVEWAY SIGHT TRIANGLE (23.54.030.G.1)
- STREET LEVEL NON-RESIDENTIAL USES HEIGHT (23.47a.008.B.4)

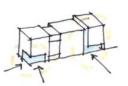


# massing option summary | **11.0 APPENDIX**



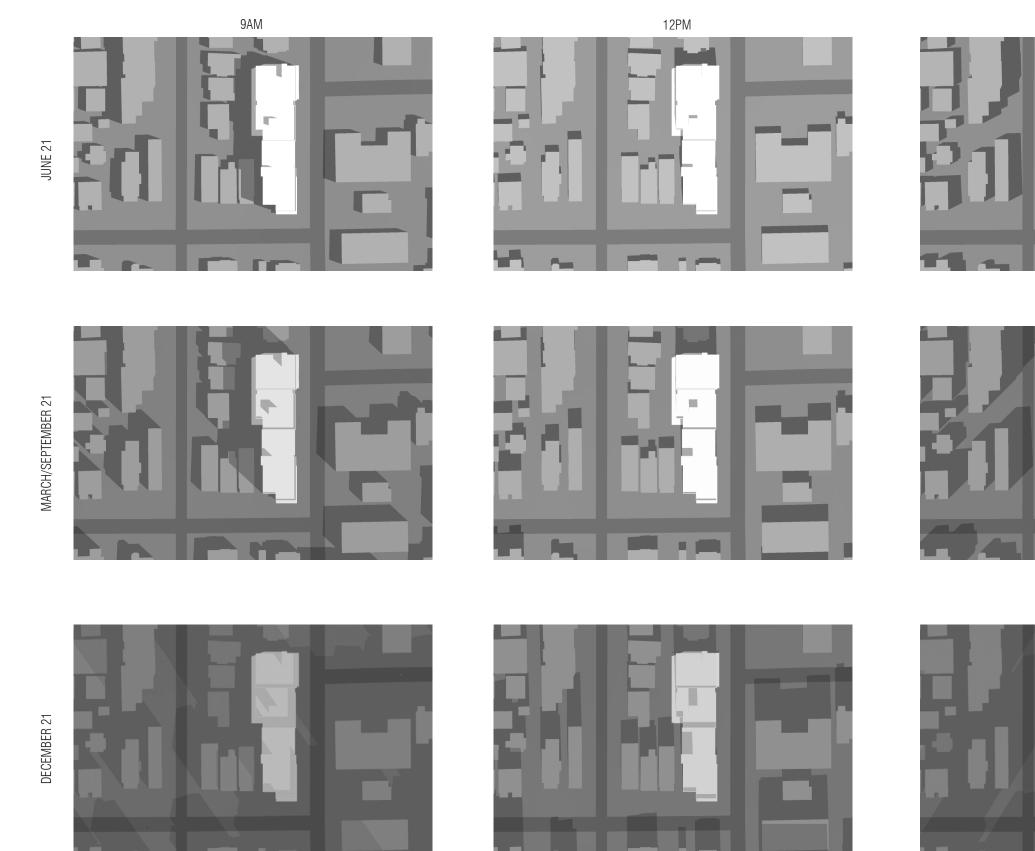
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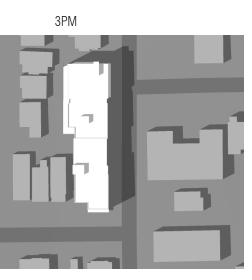
COMMERCIAL USE:	4 SPACES, 4,204 SF TOTAL
RESIDENTIAL USE:	119 UNITS
Parking:	49 STALLS

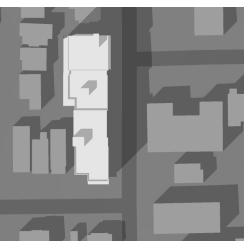


NONE (CODE COMPLIANT)

# **11.0 APPENDIX** | solar studies - option 3













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