

Strawberry Design Review Board

118 E. Strawberry Drive, Mill Valley, CA 94941

May 5, 2014

I. The acting Chairperson, Negissa Araghi, called the meeting to order at 7:33pm.

Members present:

Negissa Araghi (NA)

Joe Sherer (JS)

Jeff Wong (JW)

II. Agenda Items:

Subject	Applicant	Planner	Recommendation
1. Nishiguchi/Callinan Residence	Nathan Nishiguchi	Heidi Scobe	Approve

III. Administration and Other Business

In light of recent developments involving the sale of the Seminary property and the incorporation of new SDRB members, JW brought up the idea to have Community Development Agency staff present the history of the Seminary project and speak to major concerns with the site. Other members suggested that this would be a good idea if and when an application for a new project is submitted to the CDA.

March 31, 2014 SDRB minutes were approved.

IV. Comments to Planner

See motion

V. The meeting adjourned at 8:47 pm.

Design Review Recommendation: Agenda Item 1 – Nishiguchi/Callinan Residence Review

Presenters: Nathan & Megan Nishiguchi (owners), Christian Oaks (architect) & Pete Peterson (landscape architect)

The presenters offered drawings and building materials for review. The site is a hillside lot with existing neighboring homes adjacent and across the street. Design details include,

- Massing to be similar to adjacent neighbors with three levels stepped to mimic the contours of the hillside
- Setbacks are behind neighbor homes

- No major viewing angles from neighbors are blocked
- Owners noted that they talked to the adjacent neighbors and took their concerns into account
- Building materials include cement plaster (light brown), standing seam metal roof (dark brown color), aluminum window frames (bronze), Hubarton light fixture (bronze), garage door with translucent glass panels and grey tinted glazing for windows and guardrails
- Wood siding on the west façade – natural color
- Solar panels on roof
- No play structures
- Utilities underground
- Walkway and entry area include stone accents
- Exterior downlights would be located at walkways and backyard areas
- Planters and guardrails would be light earthtone colored

Tom Kale, from area homeowners association, said he wholeheartedly approves of the design.

Comments from SDRB members include,

- Exterior lighting to be dark sky type (JW)
- Solar panels to not be seen from street (JW)
- Side yard fence could be better articulated to match overall design of home (JW & NA)

Motion:

Jeff Wong motioned to approve home design upon the following conditions that

- Exterior lighting to be dark sky type
- Solar panels to not be seen from street
- Side yard fence could be better articulated to match overall design of home

Joe Sherer seconded the motion.

In favor = all board members present

Negissa Araghi: Yes

Joe Sherer: Yes

Jeff Wong: Yes

End of Minutes