



# City of Santa Barbara California

## STAFF HEARING OFFICER STAFF REPORT

**REPORT DATE:** March 31, 2010  
**AGENDA DATE:** April 7, 2010  
**PROJECT ADDRESS:** 1916 Chino Street (MST2005-00566)  
**TO:** Staff Hearing Officer  
**FROM:** Planning Division, (805) 564-5470  
 Danny Kato, Senior Planner *DK*  
 Kelly Brodison, Assistant Planner *KB*

### I. PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The is a request for a three year extension of the expiration date of the Tentative Map and Condominium Conversion approved by the Staff Hearing Officer on March 14, 2007. The project consists of the conversion of three existing units to condominiums; a two-story duplex with two three-bedroom units and a one-story, two-bedroom unit with a detached one-car garage on an 11,250 square foot lot in the R-2 Zone. Parking for the detached unit (Unit A) would be provided with an existing single-car garage and one new uncovered space. Parking for Units B and C are currently provided with a two-car carport and two uncovered spaces. The parking would be reconfigured to include a one-car garage and one uncovered space for each unit. Small additions of 67 square feet would be added to the first floors of Units B and C. The existing carport and an exiting common laundry and storage room would be demolished.

The discretionary applications required for this project were:

1. A Tentative Subdivision Map for a one-lot subdivision to create three (3) residential condominium units (SBMC §27.07 and §27.13); and
2. A Condominium Conversion Permit to convert three (3) existing residential units to three (3) condominium units (SBMC §28.88).

**II. SITE INFORMATION**

Applicant: Suzanne Elledge, SEPPS	Property Owner: Angelo Salvucci
Parcel Number: 043-122-022	Lot Area: 11,250
General Plan: Residential, 12 units/ acre	Zoning: R-2, Two-Family Residential
Existing Use: Residential	Topography: level
Adjacent Land Uses:	
North - Residential	East - Residential
South - Residential	West - Residential

**III. DISCUSSION**

According to SBMC §27.07.110.A, B and D, *Expiration and Extension of Tentative Maps*, the approval or conditional approval of a tentative map shall expire twenty-four (24) months from the date the map was approved or conditionally approved. The subdivider may request an extension of the tentative map approval or condition of approval by written application to the Staff Hearing Officer filed with the Community Development Department before the expiration of the tentative map. The Staff Hearing Officer may impose new conditions or revise existing conditions. An extension or extensions of tentative map approval or conditional approval shall not exceed in aggregate three (3) years beyond the expiration of the original twenty-four (24) month period.

On July 15, 2008, Governor Schwarzenegger signed SB 1185 into law, which extends approvals of Tentative Subdivision Maps by one year. This new law affected maps approved on or before July 15, 2008, by extending the initial approval period of two years by one year automatically, for a total of three years. Additionally, AB333 automatically extended the expiration dates for maps approved on or before July 15, 2009 for another two years. Therefore, the approval of this project would expire on March 14, 2012.

A three year extension is now being requested pursuant to SBMC 27.07.110.D. The applicant submitted the extension on February 22, 2010, thereby satisfying the City's requirements for an extension. The new expiration date will be March 14, 2015.

**IV. RECOMMENDATIONS**

Due to a variety of economic challenges the applicant is requesting to provide the maximum time allowable to finance and proceed with this project. The project continues to conform to the City's Zoning and Building Ordinances and policies of the General Plan. Therefore, Staff recommends that the Staff Hearing Officer approve the three-year time extension, to March 14, 2015, for the Tentative Map and Condominium Conversion Permit, subject to the original conditions of approval in Exhibit A.

Exhibits:

- A. Planning Commission Resolution of Approval 019-07 dated March 14, 2007
- B. Applicant's letter, dated February 22, 2010
- C. Site Plan



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CITY OF SANTA BARBARA STAFF HEARING OFFICER

RESOLUTION NO. 019-07

1916 CHINO STREET

TENTATIVE SUBDIVISION MAP & CONDOMINIUM CONVERSION PERMIT

MARCH 14, 2007

APPLICATION OF SUSAN MC LAUGHLIN, AGENT FOR ANGELO SALVUCCI  
PROPERTY OWNER, 1916 CHINO STREET, 043-122-022, R-2, TWO-FAMILY RESIDENCE  
ZONE, GENERAL PLAN DESIGNATION: RESIDENTIAL, TWELVE UNITS PER ACRE  
(MST2005-00566)

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The Environmental Analyst has determined that the project is exempt from further environmental review pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Guidelines Section 15301, Existing Facilities, for the division of existing multiple-family residences into common interest ownership.

**WHEREAS**, the Staff Hearing Officer has held the required public hearing on the above application, and the Applicant was present.

**WHEREAS**, one person appeared to speak in favor of the application, and no one appeared to speak in opposition thereto, and the following exhibits were presented for the record:

1. Staff Report with Attachments, March 14, 2007.
2. Site Plan
3. Correspondence received in opposition to the project, but misunderstanding clarified by Staff:
  - a. Mary Lynn Schlomkowitz, 1927 Chino Street.

EXHIBIT A

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the City Staff Hearing Officer:

I. Approved the subject application making the following findings and determinations:

A. The Tentative Map (SBMC §27.07.100)

The Tentative Subdivision Map is consistent with the General Plan and the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Santa Barbara. The site is physically suitable for the proposed development, the project is consistent with the variable density provisions of the Municipal Code and the General Plan, and the proposed use is consistent with the vision for this neighborhood of the General Plan. The design of the project will not cause substantial environmental damage, and associated improvements will not cause serious public health problems.

B. Condominium Conversion (SBMC §28.88.120)

1. All provisions of the Condominium Conversion Ordinance are met and the project will not be detrimental to the health, safety, and general welfare of the community.
2. The proposed conversion is consistent with the General Plan of the City of Santa Barbara and with the density requirement of its Land Use Element.
3. The proposed conversion will conform to the Santa Barbara Municipal Code in effect at the time the application was deemed complete, except as otherwise provided in the Condominium Conversion Ordinance.
4. The overall design (including project amenities) and physical condition of the conversion will result in a project, which is aesthetically attractive, safe, and of quality construction.
5. The units have not been "affordable rental units"; therefore, affordability restrictions do not apply to the project.
6. The Applicant has not engaged in coercive retaliatory action regarding the tenants after the submittal of the first application for City review through the date of approval.
7. The owner notified the tenants about the condominium conversion proposal and informed the tenant of their rights pursuant to SBMC §28.88.
8. The project is exempt from the provisions of Section 28.88.130 because the project consists of fewer than five units.

II. Said approval is subject to the following conditions:

- A. **Recorded Agreement.** Prior to the issuance of any Public Works permit or Building permit for the project on the Real Property, the Owner shall execute an "Agreement Relating to Subdivision Map Conditions Imposed on Real Property", which shall be reviewed as to form and content by the City Attorney, Community Development Director and/or Public Works Director, that shall be executed by the owners concurrent with the Parcel Map, and recorded in the Office of the County Recorder, by the City, prior to the issuance of a Certificate of Occupancy for the Condominium Conversion Permit.
1. **Parcel Map.** Parcel Map shall be recorded prior to or concurrently with an "Agreement Relating to Subdivision Conditions Imposed on Real Property". The Parcel Map shall, be prepared by a licensed Land Surveyor or Registered Civil Engineer in conformance with the City Survey Control Ordinance.
  2. **Uninterrupted Water Flow.** The Owner shall provide for the uninterrupted flow of water through the Real Property including, but not limited to, swales, natural water courses, conduits and any access road, as appropriate. The Owner is responsible for the adequacy of any project-related drainage facilities and for the continued maintenance thereof in a manner that will preclude any hazard to life, health or damage to the Real Property or any adjoining property.
  3. **Recreational Vehicle Storage Prohibition.** No recreational vehicles, boats or trailers shall be stored on the Real Property.
  4. **Approved Development.** The development of the Real Property approved by the Staff Hearing Officer on March 14, 2007 is limited to the conversion of three residential units to condominiums and the improvements shown on the plans signed by the Staff Hearing Officer on said date and on file at the City of Santa Barbara.
  5. **Storm Water Pollution Control and Drainage Systems Maintenance.** Owner shall be responsible for maintaining the drainage system, and storm water pollution control devices in a functioning state and in accordance with the Operations and Maintenance Procedure Plan approved by the Building Official, in consultation with the Parks and Recreation Department Creeks Division. Should any of the project's surface or subsurface drainage structures or storm water pollution control devices fail to capture, infiltrate and/or treat, or result in increased erosion, the Owner shall be responsible for any necessary repairs to the system and restoration of the eroded area. Should repairs or restoration become necessary, prior to the commencement of such repair or restoration work, the applicant shall submit a repair and restoration plan to the Community Development Director to determine if an amendment or a new Building permit is required to authorize such work. The Owner is responsible for the adequacy of any project-related drainage facilities and for the continued maintenance thereof in a manner that will preclude any hazard to life, health or damage to the Real Property or any adjoining property.

6. **Required Private Covenants.** The Owners shall record in the official records of Santa Barbara County either private covenants, a reciprocal easement agreement, or a similar agreement which, among other things, shall provide for all of the following:
  - a. **Common Area Maintenance.** An express method for the appropriate and regular maintenance of the common areas, common access ways, common utilities and other similar shared or common facilities or improvements of the development, which methodology shall also provide for an appropriate cost-sharing of such regular maintenance among the various owners of the condominium parcels.
  - b. **Garages Available for Parking.** A covenant that includes a requirement that all garages be kept open and available for the parking of vehicles owned by the residents of the property in the manner for which the garages were designed and permitted.
  - c. **Landscape Maintenance.** A covenant that provides that the landscaping shown on the approved Landscaping Plan shall be maintained and preserved at all times in accordance with the Plan.
  - d. **Trash and Recycling.** A covenant that includes a requirement that adequate space shall be provided and maintained for trash and recycling purposes.
  - e. **Covenant Enforcement.** A covenant that permits each owner to contractually enforce the terms of the private covenants, reciprocal easement agreement, or similar agreement required by this condition.
- B. **Building Permit Plan Requirements.** The following requirements shall be incorporated into the construction plans submitted to the Building and Safety Division with applications for building permits. All of these construction requirements shall be carried out in the field and completed prior to the issuance of a Certificate of Occupancy:
  1. **Chino Street Public Improvements.** The Owner shall submit building plans for construction of improvements along the property frontage on Chino Street. As determined by the Public Works Department, the improvements shall include new and/or remove and replace to City standards, the following: driveway apron modified to meet Title 24 requirements, curbs, gutters, underground service utilities, connection to City water and sewer mains, public drainage improvements with supporting drainage calculations and/or hydrology report for installation of curb drain outlets, slot/trench drain (provide off-site storm water BMP plan), preserve and/or reset survey monuments and contractor stamps, and provide adequate positive drainage from site. Existing private sewer lateral(s) serving the property shall be repaired before new dwellings are occupied. Any existing sewer laterals identified to be abandoned, shall be disconnected at the sewer mainline connection. A licensed plumber shall verify if the property requires a backwater valve. If existing lateral already has a backwater valve,

then it shall be inspected. The building plans, drainage calculations and hydrology report shall be prepared by a registered civil engineer or licensed architect. Any work in the public right of way requires a public works permit.

2. **Drainage Calculations.** The Owner shall submit drainage calculations demonstrating that the new development will not increase runoff amounts above existing on-site and proposed on-site drainage system adequately conveys a minimum of a 25-year storm event. Any increase in runoff shall be retained on-site.
3. **Trash and Recycling.** Adequate space shall be provided and maintained for trash and recycling purposes. Trash holding areas shall include recycling containers with at least equal capacity as the trash containers, and trash/recycling areas shall be easily accessed by the consumer and the trash hauler. Green waste shall either have containers adequate for the landscaping or be hauled off site by the landscaping maintenance company. If no green waste containers are provided for common interest developments, include an item in the CC&Rs stating that the green waste will be hauled off site.
4. **Lighting.** Exterior lighting, where provided, shall be consistent with the City's Lighting Ordinance. No floodlights shall be allowed. Exterior lighting shall be directed toward the ground.
5. **Design Review Requirements Included on Plans:** Plan submitted for building permits shall show all design elements, as approved by Architectural Board of Review.
6. **Unanticipated Archaeological Resources Contractor Notification.** Prior to the start of any vegetation or paving removal, demolition, trenching or grading, contractors and construction personnel shall be alerted to the possibility of uncovering unanticipated subsurface archaeological features or artifacts associated with past human occupation of the parcel. If such archaeological resources are encountered or suspected, work shall be halted immediately, the City Environmental Analyst shall be notified and an archaeologist from the most current City Qualified Archaeologists List shall be retained by the applicant. The latter shall be employed to assess the nature, extent and significance of any discoveries and to develop appropriate management recommendations for archaeological resource treatment, which may include, but are not limited to, redirection of grading and/or excavation activities, consultation and/or monitoring with a Barbareño Chumash representative from the most current City qualified Barbareño Chumash Site Monitors List, etc.

If the discovery consists of possible human remains, the Santa Barbara County Coroner shall be contacted immediately. If the Coroner determines that the remains are Native American, the Coroner shall contact the California Native American Heritage Commission. A Barbareño Chumash representative from the most current City Qualified Barbareño Chumash Site Monitors List shall be retained to monitor all further subsurface disturbance in the area of the find.

Work in the area may only proceed after the Environmental Analyst grants authorization.

If the discovery consists of possible prehistoric or Native American artifacts or materials, a Barbareño Chumash representative from the most current City Qualified Barbareño Chumash Site Monitors List shall be retained to monitor all further subsurface disturbance in the area of the find. Work in the area may only proceed after the Environmental Analyst grants authorization.

7. **Construction Hours.** Construction (including preparation for construction work) is prohibited Monday through Friday before 7:00 a.m. and after 5:00 p.m., and all day on Saturdays, Sundays and holidays observed by the City of Santa Barbara as shown below:

New Year's Day	January 1 <sup>st</sup> *
Martin Luther King's Birthday	3 <sup>rd</sup> Monday in January
Presidents' Day	3 <sup>rd</sup> Monday in February
Memorial Day	Last Monday in May
Independence Day	July 4 <sup>th</sup> *
Labor Day	1 <sup>st</sup> Monday in September
Thanksgiving Day	4 <sup>th</sup> Thursday in November
Following Thanksgiving Day	Friday following Thanksgiving Day
Christmas Day	December 25 <sup>th</sup> *

\*When a holiday falls on a Saturday or Sunday, the preceding Friday or following Monday, respectively, shall be observed as a legal holiday.

When, based on required construction type or other appropriate reasons, it is necessary to do work at night, contractor shall contact the Chief of Building and Safety to request a waiver from the above construction hours, using the procedure outlined in SBMC § 9.16.015 Construction Work at Night. Contractor shall notify all residents within 300 feet of the parcel of intent to carry out night construction a minimum of 48 hours prior to said construction. Said notification shall include what the work includes, the reason for the work, the duration of the proposed work and a contact number.

8. **Conditions on Plans/Signatures.** The final Staff Hearing Officer Resolution shall be provided on a full size drawing sheet as part of the drawing sets. Each condition shall have a sheet and/or note reference to verify condition compliance. If the condition relates to a document submittal, indicate the status of the submittal (e.g., Parcel Map submitted to Public Works Department for review). A statement shall also be placed on the above sheet as follows: The undersigned have read and understand the above conditions, and agree to abide by any and all conditions which is their usual and customary responsibility to perform, and which are within their authority to perform.



Signed:

Property Owner		Date
Contractor	Date	License No.
Architect	Date	License No.
Engineer	Date	License No.

C. **Public Works Submittal Prior to Parcel Map Recordation.** Owners shall submit the following or evidence of completion of the following to the Public Works Department prior to the recordation of the Parcel Map.

1. **Certificate of Occupancy for Physical Standards for Condominium Conversions.** Owner shall complete all necessary work in order to comply with the Physical Standards for Condominium Conversions specified in SBMC § 28.88.040 of the Municipal Code and receive a final certification of occupancy for such work.
2. **Building Permit Required for Conversion.** Evidence that a conversion permit has been issued for the conversion of the four residential units to four condominiums.
3. **Parcel Map.** Owners shall submit a Parcel Map to the Public Works Department acceptable for recordation. The Parcel Map shall be prepared by a licensed land surveyor or registered civil engineer in conformance with current Subdivision Map Act and in conformance with the requirements of the City Survey Control Ordinance.
4. **Required Private Covenants.** The Owner shall submit a copy of the recorded private covenants, reciprocal easement agreement, or similar private agreements required for the project.
5. **Drainage and Water Quality.** Project drainage shall be designed, installed, and maintained such that stormwater runoff from the first inch of rain from any storm event shall be retained and treated onsite in accordance with the City's NPDES Storm Water Management Permit. Runoff should be directed into a passive water treatment method such as a bioswale, landscape feature (planter beds and/or lawns), infiltration trench, etc. Project plans for grading, drainage, stormwater treatment methods, and project development, shall be subject to review and approval by City Building Division and Public Works Department. Sufficient engineered design and adequate measures shall be employed to ensure that no significant construction-related or long-term effects from increased

runoff, erosion and sedimentation, urban water pollutants (such as ), or groundwater pollutants would result from the project. The Owner shall maintain the drainage system and storm water pollution control methods in a functioning state.

6. **Removal or Relocation of Public Facilities.** Removal or relocation of any public utilities or structures must be performed by the Owner or by the person or persons having ownership or control thereof.
  7. **Maintenance Agreement Required.** The Owner shall submit an Executed Agreement for Maintenance of the proposed driveway, subject to the review and approval of the Public Works Director and City Attorney.
  8. **Water Rights Assignment Agreement.** The Owner shall assign to the City of Santa Barbara the exclusive right to extract ground water from under the Real Property. Said agreement will be prepared by Engineering Division Staff for the Owner's signature.
- D. **Prior to Certificate of Occupancy.** Prior to issuance of the Certificate of Occupancy for the condominium conversion permit, the Owners of the Real Property shall submit the following or evidence of completion of the following to the Public Works Department:
1. Recordation of Final Map.
  2. Recordation of the Agreement Relating to Subdivision Map Conditions Imposed on Real Property.
  3. Recordation of Private Covenants.
  4. **Repair Damaged Public Improvements.** Repair any damaged public improvements caused by construction (curbs, gutters, sidewalks, etc.) subject to the review and approval of the Public Works Department. Where tree roots are the cause of the damage, the roots shall be pruned under the direction of the City Arborist.
  5. **Complete Public Improvements.** Public improvements constructed as shown on the building plans.
- E. **Litigation Indemnification Agreement.** In the event the Staff Hearing Officer approval of the Project is appealed to the City Council, Applicant/Owner hereby agrees to defend the City, its officers, employees, agents, consultants and independent contractors ("City's Agents") from any third party legal challenge to the City Council's denial of the appeal and approval of the Project, including, but not limited to, challenges filed pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (collectively "Claims"). Applicant/Owner further agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the City and the City's Agents from any award of attorney fees or court costs made in connection with any Claim.

Applicant/owner shall execute a written agreement, in a form approved by the City Attorney, evidencing the foregoing commitments of defense and indemnification within thirty (30) days of the City Council denial of the appeal and approval of the Project.

These commitments of defense and indemnification are material conditions of the approval of the Project. If Applicant/Owner fails to execute the required defense and indemnification agreement within the time allotted, the Project approval shall become null and void absent subsequent acceptance of the agreement by the City, which acceptance shall be within the City's sole and absolute discretion. Nothing contained in this condition shall prevent the City or the City's Agents from independently defending any Claim. If the City or the City's Agents decide to independently defend a Claim, the City and the City's Agents shall bear their own attorney fees, expenses and costs of that independent defense.

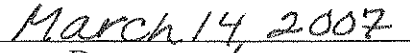
**NOTICE OF TENTATIVE SUBDIVISION MAP AND CONDOMINIUM CONVERSION TIME LIMITS:**

The Staff Hearing Officer's action approving the Tentative Map shall expire two (2) years from the date of approval. The subdivider may request an extension of this time period in accordance with Santa Barbara Municipal Code §27.07.110 or the provisions of the California Subdivision Map Act.

This motion was passed and adopted on the 14th day of March, 2007, by the Staff Hearing Officer of the City of Santa Barbara.

I hereby certify that this Resolution correctly reflects the action taken by the City of Santa Barbara Staff Hearing Officer at its meeting of the above date.

  
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Gabriela Feliciano, Commission Secretary

  
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Date

**PLEASE BE ADVISED:**

1. This action of the Staff Hearing Officer can be appealed to the Planning Commission or the City Council within ten (10) days after the date the action was taken by the Staff Hearing Officer.
2. If you have any existing zoning violations on the property, other than those included in the conditions above, they must be corrected within thirty (30) days of this action.
3. Subsequent to the outcome of any appeal action your next administrative step should be to apply for Architectural Board of Review (ABR) approval and then a building permit.
4. **PLEASE NOTE: A copy of this resolution shall be reproduced on the first sheet of the drawings submitted with the application for a building permit.** The location, size and design of the construction proposed in the application for the building permit shall not deviate from the location, size and design of construction approved in this modification.
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PRINCIPAL PLANNERS  
SUZANNE ELLEDGE • LAUREL F. PEREZ

22 February 2010

City of Santa Barbara Planning Division  
Staff Hearing Officer  
Attn: Danny Kato  
630 Garden Street  
Santa Barbara CA 93102

**RE: Condominium Development- 1916 Chino Street, MST#2005-00566**

Dear Staff Hearing Officer:


On behalf of Mr. Angelo Salvucci, we request a time extension of the Tentative Subdivision Map (TSM) approval granted by the Staff Hearing Officer on March 14, 2007. The approved project converts three existing units to condominiums.

Since the approval in 2007, a variety of economic challenges have prevented the applicants from being able to fund the costs associated with Final Map recordation. Due to the national economic downturn, the State passed legislation in 2008 and 2009 providing automatic time extensions for qualifying tentative maps. The subject project qualified for these automatic time extensions which together extend the subject map expiration date to March 14, 2011.

In order to provide the maximum time to finance and proceed with this project, we respectfully request an extension of the map for an additional three years in accordance with the provisions contained in SBMC §27.07.110.D and §66463.5 of the Subdivision Map Act. Approval of this request will extend the map to March 14, 2014.

We appreciate your consideration of this request. Should you have any questions or require additional information, please call me at (805) 966-2758.

Sincerely,  
**SUZANNE ELLEDGE**  
**PLANNING & PERMITTING SERVICES, INC.**



Suzanne Elledge  
Principal Planner





