



City of Santa Barbara California

CITY OF SANTA BARBARA STAFF HEARING OFFICER

RESOLUTION NO. 003-18

707 AND 709 KIMBALL AVENUE

COASTAL DEVELOPMENT PERMIT AND DEVELOPMENT PLAN

JANUARY 17, 2018

APPLICATION OF RICHARD REDMOND, ARCHITECT FOR NOPAL INVESTMENT COMPANY, LLC, PROPERTY OWNERS OF 707 AND 709 KIMBALL AVENUE, APNS 017-161-006 AND 017-161-005, M-1/SD3 ZONES, GENERAL PLAN AND LOCAL COASTAL PROGRAM LAND USE PLAN DESIGNATION: INDUSTRIAL (MST2017-00052 AND CDP-2017-00003)

The project consists of the addition of 2,992 square feet of non-residential floor area to an existing 3,325 square foot building, to be occupied by warehouse and office use. A total of 7 parking spaces are proposed. The project includes the voluntary merger of 707 and 709 Kimball Avenue. The 8,600 square foot lot is in the M-1, Light Manufacturing Zone and the Non-Appealable jurisdiction of the City's Coastal Zone with a Local Coastal Plan Designation of Industrial.

The discretionary applications required for this project are:

1. A Coastal Development Permit (CDP2017-00003) to allow the proposed development in the Non-Appealable Jurisdiction of the City's Coastal Zone (SBMC §28.44); and
2. A Development Plan to allow the construction of 2,992 square feet of nonresidential floor area (SBMC Chapter 28.85).

The project requires an environmental finding pursuant to California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines Section 15183.

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

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

1. Staff Report with Attachments, January 10, 2018.
2. Site Plans

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

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

A. CEQA ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION

The Staff Hearing Officer finds that the project qualifies for an exemption from further environmental review under CEQA Guidelines Section 15183, based on the City staff analysis and the CEQA certificate of determination on file for this project.

B. DEVELOPMENT PLAN APPROVAL FINDINGS (SBMC §28.85)

1. The proposed development complies with all provisions of SBMC Title 28.

As discussed in section V, the proposed warehouse building conforms to the allowed uses of the M-1 Zone, which allows for Light Manufacturing, and the proposed development complies with all provisions of the Zoning Ordinance.

2. The proposed development is consistent with the principles of sound community planning.

The proposed development is consistent with the principles of sound community planning as determined by the project's consistency with the City's General Plan land use designation and applicable policies including LG8 and EF15 to protect industrial zone areas, and ER20 to reduce stormwater runoff generated on-site.

3. The proposed development will not have a significant adverse impact upon the community's aesthetics or character in that the size, bulk or scale of the development will be compatible with the neighborhood based on the Project Compatibility Analysis criteria found in Sections 22.22.145 or 22.68.045 of the Municipal Code.

The proposed building is similar in height and size to the nearby structures on Kimball, S. Quarantina and Nopalito Streets. Also, the project was reviewed by the Architectural Board of Review and the proposed buildings were found acceptable for the surrounding area.

4. The proposed development is consistent with the policies of the City of Santa Barbara Traffic Management Strategy (as approved by City Resolution No. 13-010 dated as of March 12, 2013) as expressed in the allocation allowances specified in SBMC Section 28.85.050.

As described above, the project includes a 2,992 net new square foot commercial building. Staff used the City of Santa Barbara traffic model rates for industrial and office uses to calculate the anticipated amount of additional traffic generated as a result of the proposed project. If approved, the project will result in the addition of a negligible amount of additional traffic to area streets and is not anticipated to result in any traffic impacts.

C. COASTAL DEVELOPMENT PERMIT (SBMC §28.44.150)

1. The project is consistent with the policies of the California Coastal Act, because the project adequately addresses the applicable coastal issues for this area, described further in Section V.D. of the Staff Report. Additionally, the project will not have adverse impacts on coastal views, nor will it impact access to the coastline or public recreation.

2. The project is consistent with all applicable policies of the City's Local Coastal Plan, all applicable implementing guidelines, and all applicable provisions of the Municipal Code as described in Section V.C. of the Staff Report.

II. Said approval is subject to the following conditions:

In consideration of the project approval granted by the Staff Hearing Officer and for the benefit of the owner(s) and occupant(s) of the Real Property, the owners and occupants of adjacent real property and the public generally, the following terms and conditions are imposed on the use, possession, and enjoyment of the Real Property:

A. Order of Development. In order to accomplish the proposed development, the following steps shall occur in the order identified:

1. Obtain all required design review approvals.
2. Pay Land Development Team Recovery Fee (30% of all planning fees, as calculated by staff) at time of building permit application.
3. Submit an application for and obtain a Building Permit (BLD) to demolish any structures / improvements and/or perform rough grading. Comply with condition E "Construction Implementation Requirements."
4. Record any required documents (see Recorded Conditions Agreement section).
5. Permits.
 - a. Submit an application for and obtain a Building Permit (BLD) for construction of approved development and complete said development.
 - b. Submit an application for and obtain a Public Works Permit (PBW) for all required public improvements and complete said improvements.

Details on implementation of these steps are provided throughout the conditions of approval.

B. Recorded Conditions Agreement. The Owner shall execute a *written instrument*, which shall be prepared by Planning staff, reviewed as to form and content by the City Attorney, Community Development Director and Public Works Director, recorded in the Office of the County Recorder, and shall include the following:

1. **Approved Development.** The development of the Real Property approved by the Staff Hearing Officer on January 17, 2018, is limited to a voluntary lot merger of 707 and 709 Kimball Avenue and an approximately 2,992 square feet of non-residential floor area addition to an existing 3,325 square foot building, to be composed of approximately 5,722 square feet of warehouse use and approximately 595 square feet of office use with a total of 7 parking spaces (three of which are required parking spaces for the warehouse/office use) 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.
2. **Recreational Vehicle Storage Prohibition.** No recreational vehicles, boats, or trailers shall be stored on the Real Property.
3. **Landscape Plan Compliance.** The Owner shall comply with the Landscape Plan approved by the Architectural Board of Review (ABR). Such plan shall not be

modified unless prior written approval is obtained from the ABR. The landscaping on the Real Property shall be provided and maintained in accordance with said landscape plan, including any tree protection measures. If said landscaping is removed for any reason without approval by the ABR, the owner is responsible for its immediate replacement.

4. **Storm Water Pollution Control and Drainage Systems Maintenance.** Owner shall maintain the drainage system and storm water pollution control devices in a functioning state and in accordance with the Storm Water BMP Guidance Manual and Operations and Maintenance Procedure Plan approved by the Creeks Division. Should any of the project's surface or subsurface drainage structures or storm water pollution control methods fail to capture, infiltrate, and/or treat water, 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 Owner shall submit a repair and restoration plan to the Community Development Director to determine if an amendment or a new Building Permit and/or Coastal Development 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.
 5. **Areas Available for Parking.** All parking areas and access thereto shall be kept open and available in the manner in which it was designed and permitted.
 6. **Gates.** Any gates that have the potential to block access to any designated commercial space shall be locked in the open position during business hours.
- C. **Design Review.** The project, including public improvements, is subject to the review and approval of the Architectural Board of Review (ABR). The ABR shall not grant project design approval until the following Staff Hearing Officer land use conditions have been satisfied.
1. **Parks and Recreation Commission Tree Removal Approval.** Submit to the Planning Division verification of approval from the Parks and Recreation Commission for the removal of the Star Pine street tree.
 2. **Screened Backflow Device.** The backflow devices for fire sprinklers, pools, spas and/or irrigation systems shall be provided in a location screened from public view or included in the exterior wall of the building, as approved by the ABR.
 3. **Location of Dry Utilities.** Dry utilities (e.g. above-ground cabinets) shall be placed on private property unless deemed infeasible for engineering reasons. If dry utilities must be placed in the public right-of-way, they shall be painted "Malaga Green," and if feasible, they shall be screened as approved by ABR.
 4. **Trash Enclosure Provision.** A trash enclosure with adequate area for recycling containers (an area that allows for a minimum of 50 percent of the total capacity

for recycling containers) shall be provided on the Real Property and screened from view from surrounding properties and the street.

Dumpsters and containers with a capacity of 1.5 cubic yards or more shall not be placed within five (5) feet of combustible walls, openings, or roofs, unless protected with fire sprinklers.

- D. Requirements Prior to Permit Issuance.** The Owner shall submit the following, or evidence of completion of the following, for review and approval by the Department listed below prior to the issuance of any permit for the project. Some of these conditions may be waived for demolition or rough grading permits, at the discretion of the department listed. Please note that these conditions are in addition to the standard submittal requirements for each department.

1. Public Works Department.

- a. **Approved Construction Plans.** Construction Plans as identified in condition D.1.c. "Kimball Street Construction" shall be submitted to the Public Works Department for review and approval.
- b. **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 in an *Agreement Assigning Water Extraction Rights*. Engineering Division Staff prepares said agreement for the Owner's signature.
- c. **Kimball Street Construction.** The Owner shall submit Public Works plans for construction of improvements along the property frontage on Kimball Street. Plans shall be submitted separately from plans submitted for a Building Permit, and shall be prepared by a licensed civil engineer registered in the State of California. As determined by the Public Works Department, the improvements shall include new and/or remove and replace to City standards, the following: sidewalk and tree wells or parkway along frontage, driveway apron(s), curb and gutter, asphalt concrete on aggregate base, connection to City water and sewer mains and utilities, onsite drain pipe connection to City storm drain drop inlet with supporting drainage calculations, preserve and/or reset survey monuments, supply and install directional/regulatory traffic control signs per the CA MUTCD during construction, and provide adequate positive drainage from site. Any work in the public right-of-way requires a Public Works Permit.
- d. **Lot Merger Required.** The Real Property known as APN 017-161-006 and APN 017-161-005 shall be merged into one (1) lot, following the procedure in Santa Barbara Municipal Code Chapter 27.30.
- e. **Haul Routes Require Separate Permit.** Apply for a Public Works permit to establish the haul route(s) for all construction-related trucks with

a gross vehicle weight rating of three tons or more entering or exiting the site.

- f. **Construction-Related Truck Trips.** Construction-related truck trips for trucks with a gross vehicle weight rating of three tons or more shall not be scheduled during peak hours (7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.) in order to help reduce truck traffic on adjacent streets and roadways.
- g. **Encroachment Permits.** Any encroachment or other permits from the City or other jurisdictions (State, Flood Control, County, etc.) for the construction of improvements (including any required appurtenances) within their rights of way or easements shall be obtained by the Owner.

2. **Community Development Department.**

- a. **Recordation of Agreements.** The Owner shall provide evidence of recordation of the written instrument that includes all of the Recorded Conditions identified in condition B "Recorded Conditions Agreement" to the Community Development Department prior to issuance of any building permits.
- b. **Drainage and Water Quality.** The project is required to comply with Tier 3 of the Storm Water BMP Guidance Manual, pursuant to Santa Barbara Municipal Code Chapter 22.87 (treatment, rate and volume). The Owner shall submit a hydrology report prepared by a registered civil engineer or licensed architect demonstrating that the new development will comply with the City's Storm Water BMP Guidance Manual. Project plans for grading, drainage, stormwater facilities and treatment methods, and project development, shall be subject to review and approval by the City Building Division and Public Works Department. Sufficient engineered design and adequate measures shall be employed to ensure that no unpermitted construction-related or long-term effects from increased runoff, erosion and sedimentation, urban water pollutants (including, but not limited to trash, hydrocarbons, fertilizers, bacteria, etc.), or groundwater pollutants would result from the project.
- c. **Design Review Requirements.** Plans shall show all design, landscape and tree protection elements, as approved by the appropriate design review board and as outlined in Section C "Design Review," and all elements/specifications shall be implemented on-site.
- d. **Conditions on Plans/Signatures.** The final 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. A statement shall also be placed on the sheet as follows: The undersigned have read and understand the required conditions, and agree

to abide by any and all conditions which are 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.

E. Construction Implementation Requirements. All of these construction requirements shall be carried out in the field by the Owner and/or Contractor for the duration of the project construction, including demolition and grading.

1. **Construction Contact Sign.** Immediately after Building permit issuance, signage shall be posted at the points of entry to the site that list the contractor(s) name, contractor(s) telephone number(s), construction work hours, site rules, and construction-related conditions, to assist Building Inspectors and Police Officers in the enforcement of the conditions of approval. The font size shall be a minimum of 0.5 inches in height. Said sign shall not exceed six feet in height from the ground if it is free-standing or placed on a fence. It shall not exceed 24 square feet if in a multi-family or commercial zone or six square feet if in a single family zone.
2. **Construction Storage/Staging.** Construction vehicle/ equipment/ materials storage and staging shall be done on-site. No parking or storage shall be permitted within the public right-of-way, unless specifically permitted by the Public Works Director with a Public Works permit.
3. **Air Quality and Dust Control.** The following measures shall be shown on grading and building plans and shall be adhered to throughout grading, hauling, and construction activities:
 - a. During construction, use water trucks or sprinkler systems to keep all areas of vehicle movement damp enough to prevent dust from leaving the site. At a minimum, this should include wetting down such areas in the late morning and after work is completed for the day. Increased watering frequency should be required whenever the wind speed exceeds 15 mph. Reclaimed water should be used whenever possible. However, reclaimed water should not be used in or around crops for human consumption.
 - b. Minimize amount of disturbed area and reduce on site vehicle speeds to 15 miles per hour or less.

- c. If importation, exportation and stockpiling of fill material is involved, soil stockpiled for more than two days shall be covered, kept moist, or treated with soil binders to prevent dust generation. Trucks transporting fill material to and from the site shall be tarped from the point of origin.
- d. Gravel pads shall be installed at all access points to prevent tracking of mud onto public roads.
- e. After clearing, grading, earth moving or excavation is completed, treat the disturbed area by watering, or revegetating, or by spreading soil binders until the area is paved or otherwise developed so that dust generation will not occur.
- f. The contractor or builder shall designate a person or persons to monitor the dust control program and to order increased watering, as necessary, to prevent transport of dust offsite. Their duties shall include holiday and weekend periods when work may not be in progress. The name and telephone number of such persons shall be provided to the Air Pollution Control District prior to land use clearance for map recordation and land use clearance for finish grading of the structure.
- g. All portable diesel-powered construction equipment shall be registered with the state's portable equipment registration program OR shall obtain an APCD permit.
- h. Fleet owners of mobile construction equipment are subject to the California Air Resource Board (CARB) Regulation for In-use Off-road Diesel Vehicles (Title 13 California Code of Regulations, Chapter 9, § 2449), the purpose of which is to reduce diesel particulate matter (PM) and criteria pollutant emissions from in-use (existing) off-road diesel-fueled vehicles. For more information, please refer to the CARB website at www.arb.ca.gov/msprog/ordiesel/ordiesel.htm.
- i. All commercial diesel vehicles are subject to Title 13, § 2485 of the California Code of Regulations, limiting engine idling time. Idling of heavy-duty diesel construction equipment and trucks during loading and unloading shall be limited to five minutes; electric auxiliary power units should be used whenever possible.
- j. Diesel construction equipment meeting the California Air Resources Board (CARB) Tier 1 emission standards for off-road heavy-duty diesel engines shall be used. Equipment meeting CARB Tier 2 or higher emission standards should be used to the maximum extent feasible.
- k. Diesel powered equipment should be replaced by electric equipment whenever feasible.

- l. If feasible, diesel construction equipment shall be equipped with selective catalytic reduction systems, diesel oxidation catalysts and diesel particulate filters as certified and/or verified by EPA or California.
 - m. Catalytic converters shall be installed on gasoline-powered equipment, if feasible.
 - n. All construction equipment shall be maintained in tune per the manufacturer's specifications.
 - o. The engine size of construction equipment shall be the minimum practical size.
 - p. The number of construction equipment operating simultaneously shall be minimized through efficient management practices to ensure that the smallest practical number is operating at any one time. Construction worker trips should be minimized by requiring carpooling and by providing for lunch onsite.
4. **Unanticipated Archaeological Resources Contractor Notification.** Standard discovery measures shall be implemented per the City master Environmental Assessment throughout grading and construction: 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. If such archaeological resources are encountered or suspected, work shall be halted immediately, the City Environmental Analyst shall be notified and the Owner shall retain an archaeologist from the most current City Qualified Archaeologists List. 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.

A final report on the results of the archaeological monitoring shall be submitted by the City-approved archaeologist to the Environmental Analyst within 180 days of completion of the monitoring and prior to any certificate of occupancy for the project.

- F. Prior to Certificate of Occupancy.** Prior to issuance of the Certificate of Occupancy, the Owner of the Real Property shall complete the following:
1. **Repair Damaged Public Improvements.** Repair any public improvements (curbs, gutters, sidewalks, roadways, etc.) or property damaged by construction subject to the review and approval of the Public Works Department per SBMC §22.60. Where tree roots are the cause of the damage, the roots shall be pruned under the direction of a qualified arborist.
 2. **Complete Public Improvements.** Public improvements, as shown in the public improvement plans or building plans, shall be completed.
 3. **New Construction Photographs.** Photographs of the new construction, taken from the same locations as those taken of the story poles prior to project approval, shall be taken, attached to 8 ½ x 11" board and submitted to the Planning Division.
- G. General Conditions.**
1. **Compliance with Requirements.** All requirements of the city of Santa Barbara and any other applicable requirements of any law or agency of the State and/or any government entity or District shall be met. This includes, but is not limited to, the Endangered Species Act of 1973 [ESA] and any amendments thereto (16 U.S.C. § 1531 et seq.), the 1979 Air Quality Attainment Plan, and the California Code of Regulations.
 2. **Approval Limitations.**
 - a. The conditions of this approval supersede all conflicting notations, specifications, dimensions, and the like which may be shown on submitted plans.
 - b. All buildings, roadways, parking areas and other features shall be located substantially as shown on the plans approved by the Staff Hearing Officer.
 - c. Any deviations from the project description, approved plans or conditions must be reviewed and approved by the City, in accordance with the Planning Commission Guidelines. Deviations may require changes to the permit and/or further environmental review. Deviations without the above-described approval will constitute a violation of permit approval.
 3. **Site Maintenance.** The existing site/structure(s) shall be maintained and secured. Any landscaping shall be watered and maintained until demolition occurs.

4. **Litigation Indemnification Agreement.** In the event the Planning Commission 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 being notified of a lawsuit regarding 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.

III. APPROVAL TIME LIMITS

A. NOTICE OF DEVELOPMENT PLAN TIME LIMITS:

The Staff Hearing Officer action approving the Development Plan shall expire four (4) years from the date of approval per Santa Barbara Municipal Code §28.85, unless:

1. A building or grading permit for the work authorized by the development plan is issued prior to the expiration date of the approval.
2. The Community Development Director grants an extension of the development plan approval upon finding that the applicant has demonstrated due diligence in implementing and completing the proposed project. The Community Development Director may grant one (1) one-year extension of the development plan approval.

B. NOTICE OF COASTAL DEVELOPMENT PERMIT TIME LIMITS:

The Staff Hearing Officer action approving the Coastal Development Permit shall expire two (2) years from the date of final action upon the application, per Santa Barbara Municipal Code §28.44.230, unless:

1. Otherwise explicitly modified by conditions of approval for the coastal development permit.

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5. **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.