PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2024

PRESENTATIONS

STAFF PRESENTATION

ITEM #1 PH-24-004

Main and B Street: Proposed Six-Story Mixed-Use Development Containing 30 Residential Apartment Units, a 1,005-Square-Foot Ground Floor Commercial Space and Parking Garage with Automated Parking Stacker System on a Vacant 0.17-Acre Parcel Located at 966 B Street (APN 428-0056-057-00) Requiring Approval of Major Site Plan Review, a Density Bonus and Environmental Consistency Checklist pursuant to CEQA for Application No. SP-23-0006; Applicant/Architect: Toby Long and Joshua Jewett of Clever Homes by Toby Long design; Property Owner: Chris Music, Main & B Developments LLC.

966 B Street Mixed-Use Development

Planning Commission Hearing February 8, 2024 Steve Kowalski, Associate Planner





Project Site

Site Details

- 7,668 sq. ft. parcel (0.176 acres)
- Previously developed with commercial buildings that burned down in 2020
- Bordered by B & Main Streets and public alleys leading to Municipal Parking Lot 1B
- Zoning: Downtown-Main Street (DT-MS)
- General Plan Land Use Designation: City Center-Retail & Office Commercial
- Nearby public parking provided in Lot 1B, on-street along B & Main Streets



Background/History

- **Circa 1920s**: Property is first developed with commercial buildings; various businesses occupy them over several decades
- January 2019: City Council approves CUP to allow 990 Bar & Lounge to occupy corner tenant space
- **December 2019**: Buildings are severely damaged by fire that started accidentally while roofs were being repaired
- January 2020: City issues demolition permit to allow removal of remaining portions of damaged structures
- May 26, 2022: Applicant presents proposal to Council Economic Development Committee to obtain preliminary feedback
- January 24, 2023: Applicant submits Major Site Plan Review & Density Bonus applications



Proposal

- 6-story mixed-use building w/ commercial space and parking garage on ground floor & 30 residential apartments on upper 5 floors, including 10 one-bedroom, 10 two-bedroom and 10 three-bedroom units
- > 1,005 sq. ft. ground-floor commercial space adjacent to street corner
- > Residential lobby w/ elevator, mail room and bike storage room along Main St.
- 28-space parking garage w/ automated vehicle stacker system accessed through roll-up door via alley off B Street
- Rooftop deck w/ shared outdoor amenities for residents and room for future solar panel installation
- Removal of all existing street trees along B Street and replacement with new crape myrtles to match City-selected species for future street tree plantings

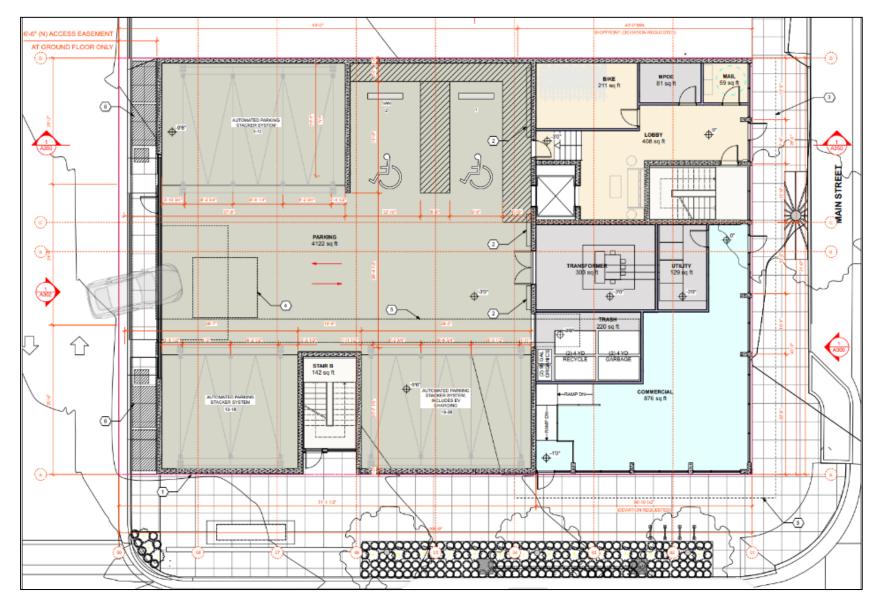


Architect's 3-D Rendering



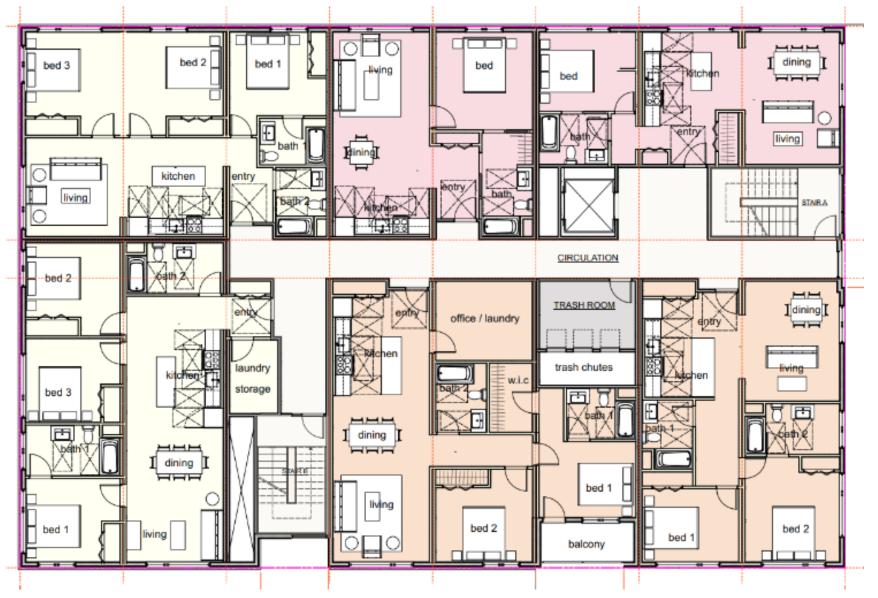


Ground Floor/Street Level Plan



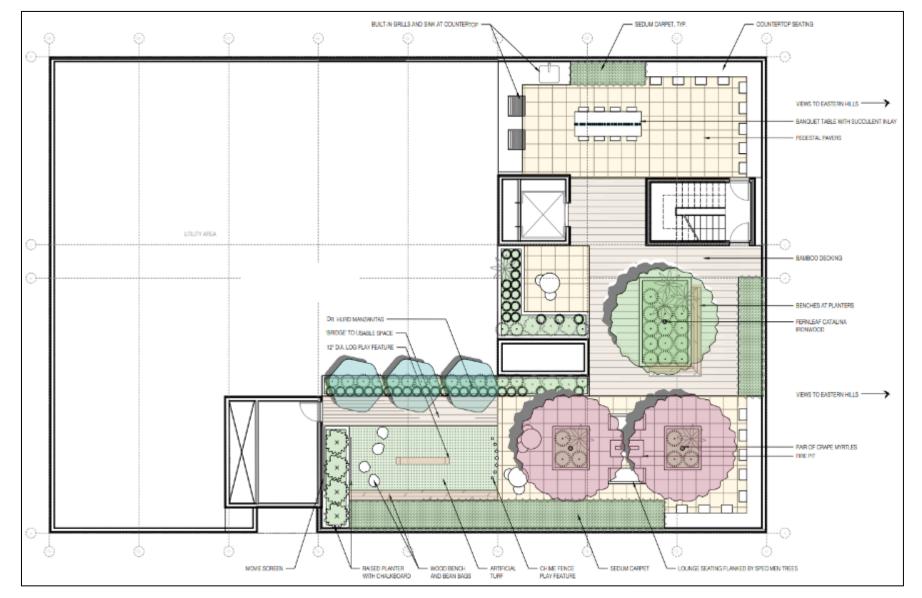


Floor Plan for Floors 2-6





Roof-Level Floor Plan





Density Bonus Request

- > Zoning of Property allows for up to 20 units (base # of allowable units)
- By providing 15% of base # of allowable units (3 units) as affordable to Very Low-Income (VLI) households earning 30%-50% of AMI, applicant is entitled to a 50% density bonus
- > 50% of base # of allowable units is 10 additional units
- > Project is entitled to a total of 30 units (27 market-rate units and 3 VLI units)
- Project is also entitled to unlimited # of waivers from applicable development standards and up to 3 concessions



Requested Density Bonus Waivers

- > To exceed maximum Floor Area Ratio (FAR) limit of 1.5 prescribed by General Plan
 - Proposed FAR is 5.75 (a building complying with the maximum 1.5 FAR limit could only 1.5 floors)
- > To exceed maximum parapet height of 75 feet
 - Building is approximately 78 feet to top of parapet
- > To exceed maximum lot coverage limit of 95%
 - Building footprint covers 100% of lot
- > To not meet minimum ground-floor building depth requirement of 40 feet
 - Ground floor building depth is only ±37 feet because parking garage takes up remainder of 1st floor
- > To not meet minimum building stepback requirement of 10 feet for the 6th floor
 - 6th floor has no stepback from property lines, just like floors 1-5
- > To not meet minimum residential parking requirement of 1 space per unit
 - Project provides 28 total spaces for 30 total units, 2 short of minimum requirement
- > To not meet minimum parking stall width requirement for standard-sized garage parking spaces
 - Parking spaces are approximately 1 foot narrower than minimum requirement, but proposed automated stacker system will still accommodate all standard-sized vehicles



Downtown Specific Plan Conformance



- ✓ Land Use Goal 1 Downtown is transformed into a vibrant, walkable City Center that serves as a regional destination to live, work, and play for City residents, neighboring communities, and local college students.
- Land Use Policy LU-3 Opportunity Sites: Encourage development and improvement of opportunity sites that have potential to attract developer interest in the Downtown and generate more economic activity.
- Housing Policy H-1 Housing Supply: Encourage residential development at the maximum density allowed in the General Plan, where feasible, to spur more housing production, including affordable and market-rate housing, and attract a wide spectrum of people to live Downtown.
- Long Term Vision Goal 2.2 Downtown Hayward is a regional destination, celebrated for its distinct history, culture, and diversity; providing shopping, entertainment, employment, and housing options for residents and visitors of all ages and backgrounds...



General Plan Conformance



<u>GP Policies calling for establishment of Downtown as a revitalized,</u> <u>vibrant mixed-use district offering variety of housing opportunities</u> <u>for all income levels & thriving street-level commercial uses:</u>

- ✓ Land Use Policy LU-1.4 Revitalization and Redevelopment
- ✓ Land Use Policy LU-1.5 Transit-Oriented Development
- ✓ Land Use Policy LU-2.4 Downtown Retail Frontages
- ✓ Land Use Policy LU-2.5 Downtown Housing
- ✓ Housing Policy H-2.3 Inclusionary Housing
- ✓ Housing Policy H-3.1 Diversity of Housing Types
- ✓ Housing Policy H-3.4 Residential Uses Close to Services



STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

That the Planning Commission approve the proposed project and Density Bonus request based on the draft findings and subject to the recommended conditions.

