

# City of Rohnert Park Planning Commission Report

DATE:

November 1, 2017

**ITEM NO:** 

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**AGENDA TITLE:** 

PLDP117-0003 Study Session for DAP - Site Plan, Parking and Open

Space

**REQUEST:** 

Conduct a Study Session to allow for feedback on Site Plan, Parking and

Open Space for the University District Affordable Housing Project

LOCATION:

Approximately 8.24 Acres located on the corner of Keiser Avenue and

Kerry Road, APN 159-550-007

**GP / ZONING:** 

University District Specific Plan-High Density Residential

**APPLICANT:** 

Pacific West Communities

# RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the Planning Commission conduct a study session on the Site Plan, proposed Parking, and proposed Open Space for the University District Affordable Housing Project. The goal is to provide the Commission with an overview of the project and to discuss any potential issues with the proposed Site Plan, as it relates to parking and open space. Consideration of the Development Area Plan application for Site Plan and other components of the project will be brought back to your Planning Commission at a future meeting.

# **SUMMARY**

The project is located on the corner of Keiser Avenue and Kerry Road within the University Specific Plan Area. The applicant proposes a 218-unit affordable rental housing development. A Development Area Plan review is required for development proposals with an adopted Specific Plan Areas and a DAP will be brought back to the Planning Commission at a future date. The applicant is proposing 441 parking spaces, which reflects a reduction of 10% of the required parking. This type of reduction is permissible at the discretion of the Planning Director as long

as alternate transportation methods are implemented. Because the project will eventually be brought to the Commission for consideration of a DAP, the applicant is requesting Planning Commission input on the proposed parking exemption as well as other aspects of the site plan, including site access, building placement, and open space.

# BACKGROUND

## **Surrounding Land Uses**

The project site is located within the University District Specific Plan Area, which is currently under construction. The project site will be surrounded by single-family residential uses to the west and to the south and a neighborhood park to the east. To the north of the project site are vacant lots located outside of the City's jurisdiction but zoned for diverse agricultural uses.

## **Project Details**

# Location and Access

The project is bound by Keiser Avenue to the north, Kerry Road to the west, O'Ryan Road to the south and a future park site to the east. Access to the site is proposed with one access driveway at Kerry Road and one access driveway at O'Ryan Road. In addition, a fire safety access driveway is proposed at Keiser Avenue, as required by the fire department to insure that emergency vehicles can access the property from the north to provide emergency response to buildings located on along Keiser Avenue.

# Parking

The applicant proposes a total of 441 parking spaces, which includes 78 tandem spaces, 94 compact spaces and 269 standard spaces. The parking requirement for multi-family residential is as follows:

- 1 space per studio or 1 bedroom unit;
- 2 spaces per 2 bedroom unit;
- 2.5 spaces per 3 bedroom unit;
- 1 guest parking space for every 4 units.

The parking obligation for the proposed project is 489 spaces as shown in the Table 2 below.

Table 2 – Parking Requirement

| Unit Type    | Number of Units | Parking      | Total    | Total    |
|--------------|-----------------|--------------|----------|----------|
|              |                 | required per | Required | Proposed |
|              |                 | Unit         |          |          |
| 1 Bedroom    | 27              | 1            | 27       |          |
| 2 Bedroom    | 141             | 2            | 282      |          |
| 3 Bedroom    | 50              | 2.5          | 125      |          |
| Guest Spaces | 218             | 1 per 4      | 55       |          |
|              |                 |              | 489      | 441      |

In addition to the above parking requirement, the project will require the following as part of the mix of parking spaces:

- 24 are proposed 20 ADA spaces are required
- 22 are proposed requirement is based on number of parking proposed tiering method.
- 72 bicycle parking spaces are proposed 55

# Parking Exemption

As shown in Table 2, the applicant proposes 441 parking spaces where 489 are required. Section 17.16.040 allows parking exemption to allow a 10% reduction in the overall parking obligation. This type of exemption can be approved at the Planning Director level if the project includes the following:

- Rideshare,
- Transit incentive program, or
- Other transportation system management program

However, the application will involve review of a Development Area Plan, which is subject to review by the City Council, with recommendation by the Planning Commission. For that reason the applicant is seeking confirmation from the Planning Commission that the proposed parking exemption can be supported.

The applicant will continue to firm up the alternative transportation methods and will provide a summary at the Study Session.

# Property Boundary Adjustments needed.

The parking configuration proposed above will require either a lot line adjustment or a parking lot easement along the easterly property boundary to accommodate 40 parking spaces. This proposal will require consideration from the Parks and Recreation Commission because the adjustment would result in an overall reduction of the future neighborhood park that is to be located east of the project site. However, the Planning Commission should provide comments regarding the proposed layout including the proposed encroachment into the future park area.

# Shared Parking with Neighboring Park

Another option under consideration to reduce the parking requirement for the apartments is a shared parking agreement with the neighboring Oak Grove Park. A small parking area could be constructed and could provide guest parking for the apartment complex and parking for park users. I could be accessed off of a shared driveway. The park does not have any proposed parking at this time, so this could be considered a benefit to future park user and would also reduce the need for on-street parking close to the park.

# Parking Lot Landscaping

Pursuant to section 17.16.100 of the Zoning Ordinance, the project is required to include parking lot landscaping the includes the following:

• Perimeter planting areas with a minimum ten (10) feet width adjacent to a residential district and five (5) feet adjacent to other districts.

- A parking lot adjoining a street shall have a frontage planting area reflecting the required yard setbacks from the street. Parking areas shall be screened from adjacent streets with berming and/or landscaping to achieve an average height of three feet above the adjacent grade of the parking area.
- The end of each row of parking stalls shall be separated from driveways by a landscaped planter with a preferred width of five feet.
- Parking lot trees at a minimum ratio of one tree for every four parking spaces.
- No more than six consecutive parking spaces should be allowed in any row of parking without a tree well or tree well finger from a landscape strip.

The applicant is aware of these requirements and will provide a detailed landscape plan as part of a future submittal. However, the applicant will likely provide a brief discussion of the proposed landscaping as part of the Study Session.

# Open Space

The project is required to provide a total of 400 square feet of open space per unit for a total of 87,200 square feet of open space required. Open space can be provided as private and public open space, with a total of at least 100 square feet of private open space required for ground level units and a total of at least 60 square feet of private open space required for the upper level units. The proposed site plans demonstrates that the project will provide approximately 100,304 square feet of open space therefore exceeding the minimum required. The required open space will be include a recreational building the will serve the linear park. The overall breakdown of open space is as follows:

- Private open space -16,655 square feet
  - o Each ground level unit will have at least 100 square feet of private outdoor space
  - o Each upper level unit will have at least 60 square feet of private outdoor space
- Public outdoor open space -82,111 square feet
- Public indoor recreational (recreation building) -1,538 square feet

#### **NOTIFICATION**

A study session for a SPAR application does not require a public hearing, so newspaper publication and mailing of the notice to surrounding property owners was not provided. The Agenda was posted as required and the meeting materials have been posted to the web site and have been made available to the public.

# **ANALYSIS**

The applicant is requesting that the Planning Commission conduct a study session and provide input on the site plan, proposed parking, and proposed open space for the University District Affordable Housing Project. The Planning Commission should provide the applicant feedback with respect to:

- Placement of the buildings
- The linear park proposal
- The parking lot layout

- Parking Space reduction
- Shared parking with neighboring park

# **Architectural Design Guidelines**

The study session involves a review of site plan, parking layout, and open space. Architectural elevations are provided for reference. A more complete set of plans will be provided as part of a formal submittal that will be brought before the Planning Commission at a future date for DAP consideration.

# **ENVIRONMENTAL DETERIMINATION**

Pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), the City of Rohnert Park, as the lead agency, has conducted an environmental review of the University District Specific Plan Area, which includes the project site. The City prepared an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) to address the potentially significant adverse environmental impacts that may be associated with the planning, construction, or operation of the Project and to identify appropriate and feasible mitigation measures and alternatives that may be adopted to significantly reduce or avoid the impacts identified in the EIR. The City certified the Final EIR on May 23, 2006 and approved an Addendum to the Final EIR on April 8, 2014.

A study session will not involve a decision on the project and therefore no formal CEQA determination is required at this time. However, it is expected that because the project was included in the Specific Plan EIR, no additional environmental review will be necessary.

# RESPONSE TO COMMENTS

No public comments have been received on this item.

#### Attachments

Exhibit A – Neighborhood Context Plan; Sheet C.1

Exhibit B – Site Layout Plan; Sheet A1.1

Exhibit C – Architectural Elevations; Sheet A2.2 and A2.3

Exhibit D – Community Building Elevations; Sheet A2.4

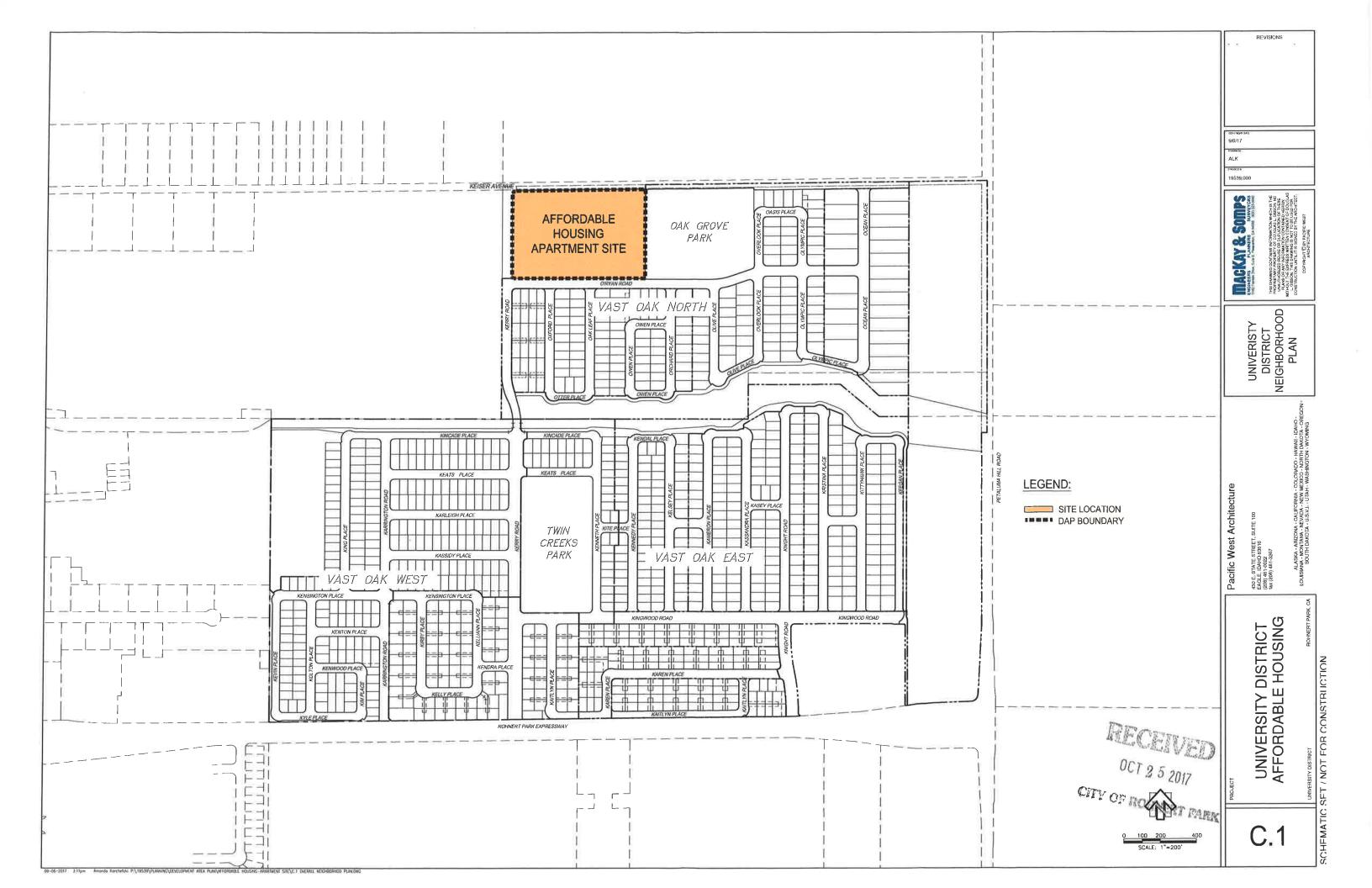
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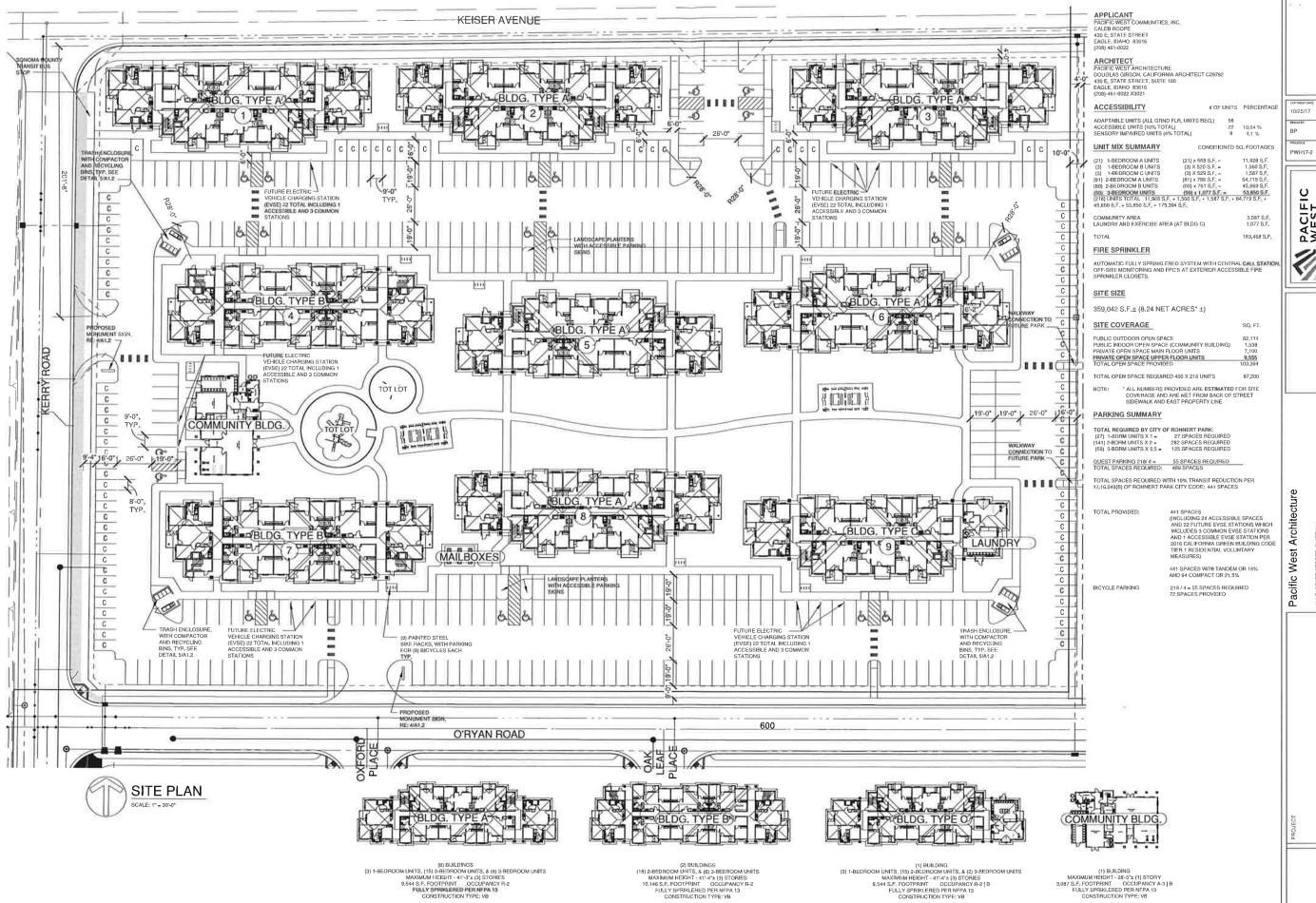
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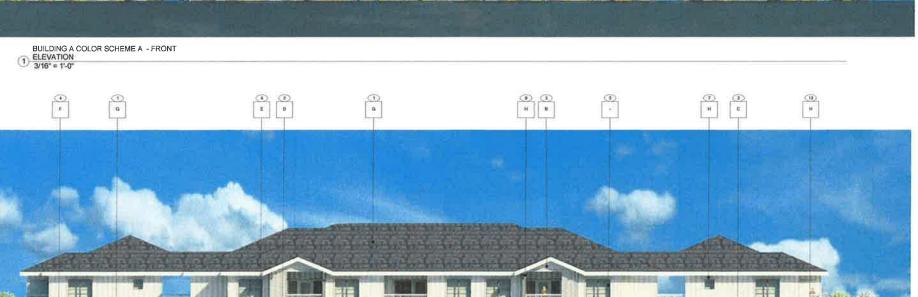
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