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**ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW COMMITTEE
 STAFF REPORT
 AGENDA ITEM NO. 1.D.
 August 11, 2016**

Project Address: 345 El Camino Real
Assessor's Parcel No: 020-276-290, 020-293-040
Application No.: PRE-16-002
Zoning District: C (General Commercial)
General Plan Classification: Transit Oriented Development
Transit Corridors Plan: El Camino Real Character Area
Prepared by: Matt Neuebaumer, 650-616-7042

REQUEST

Request for an Architectural Review Permit to allow the construction of a five-story car dealership per Chapter 12.108 of the San Bruno Municipal Code. YSM Design (Applicant), Cappo Properties, LLC (Owner).

(A companion request for a Conditional Use Permit, and Vacation/Dedication of Right-of-Way will be analyzed as the project moves forward to the Planning Commission and City Council).

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the Architectural Review Committee provide feedback and further direction regarding the recommendations presented in this report.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The applicant proposes to demolish the current Honda Dealership, and construct a new five story dealership in its place. The first floor would consist of a showroom, various offices, and 11 total service bays (three of which are dedicated to wet detailing). The second floor would contain 30 additional service bays. Floors three to five would be dedicated to inventory parking. Inventory parking would be double stacked on all levels, thereby providing the ability to accommodate more vehicles. A total of 134 parking spaces are provided at the third floor and fourth floor, and 111 parking spaces are provided at the fifth floor level. There are 36 parking spaces provided at surface level along the southern portion of the site, which would accommodate customers. An additional ten parking spaces are provided along northern portion of the site and would accommodate test vehicles.

The proposed building would be constructed along the northern portion of the property. The proposed building footprint would be increasing from 15,127 square feet (existing) to 35,251 square feet. As a result, the proposed building would cross Memory Lane, a dedicated right-of-way for public use that current bisects the project site. Therefore, the applicant is proposing to relocate Memory Lane in the

southerly direction, adjacent to Walgreens. The relocated Memory Lane would incorporate an 8'-0" wide walking path, and would include 5'-0" wide landscaping strips on either side. There are also two water mains, and one sanitary sewer main that must be relocated from the current Memory Lane location.

Total building square footage would amount to 155,084 square feet, which corresponds to a 2.49 FAR, which meets C (General Commercial) Zoning Code standards and the El Camino Real Character Area development standards outlined within the TCP. The building would incorporate varying setbacks along the east property line, ranging from 3'-0" to 18'-0", where the TCP requires a 10'-0" average. Staff is further coordinating with the applicant to ensure compliance with this specific development standard. There are currently four existing curb cuts located along El Camino Real. The two southernmost curb cuts would be the main point of access for customers accessing the service component of the business and the surface parking lot.

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

The project is located within the Transit Corridors Plan (TCP) Specific Plan area. A Program Environmental Impact Report (EIR) and Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program was prepared for the TCP and was adopted by the City Council on February 12, 2013. Therefore, site specific, individual projects, such as the proposed project, can be evaluated using the Program EIR to decide if all potentially significant environmental impacts of the individual project:

- Have been previously identified (are not new) and are not substantially more severe than those identified in the Program EIR;
- Will be avoided or mitigated to the extent feasible as a result of the EIR; and
- Have been examined in the EIR, site-specific project revisions, or the implementation of standards development standard regulations.

To determine if the above conditions are met, an Initial Study/Environmental Checklist must be prepared for the proposed project. The following studies/reports must be generated for the preparation of the Initial Study/Environmental Checklist: Tree Survey, Geotechnical Report, Phase 1 Environmental Site Assessment, Identify if any hazardous materials have ever been used on-site or will be used on-site, Asbestos Survey Report, FAA Notification or Exemption, Storm water treatment plan, Noise Assessment, Traffic Study and Feasibility Analysis, Transportation and Parking Demand Management Plan, and Estimates of water demand and wastewater generation. Staff is currently in the process of entering into a Consultant Services Agreement with an Environmental Consultant for the preparation of the Initial Study.

LEGAL NOTICE

There is no legal noticing requirement for an ARC agenda item though staff sent a courtesy notice to all property owners within 300 feet of the subject site on August 2, 2016.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Staff received one e-mail regarding the proposed project, which is attached as Exhibit F.

REVIEWING AGENCIES

Community Development Department
Public Services Department
Fire Department
Police Department

EXISTING CONDITIONS

The subject property is approximately 1.43 acres in area and is located directly across the street from the southern entrance to downtown San Bruno on El Camino Real. The project site is zoned C (General Commercial). The property consist of two parcels. The southernmost parcel is developed with the existing Victory Honda Showroom, associated offices, and surface parking for customers and vehicle inventory. The northernmost parcel includes additional surface parking for vehicle inventory. Additionally, one segment of Memory Lane currently bisects the subject property. Memory Lane is a pedestrian, bicycle-only way that runs roughly perpendicular to El Camino Real from Elm to Poplar (Block #1), from Poplar to Linden (Block #2), and then across the Victory Honda site to El Camino Real (Block #3).

Commercial uses are located to the north, south, and east of the subject property. Single-Family residential homes are located to the rear of the subject property on Linden Avenue.

SURROUNDING LAND USES

North: Jenevein Avenue – R-1 (Single Family Residential), C (General Commercial), C-N (Neighborhood Commercial), and C-B-D (Central Business District)
South: Crystal Springs Road – R-1 (Single Family Residential), C-N (Neighborhood Commercial)
East: San Mateo Avenue – C-B-D (Central Business District)
West: Linden Avenue – R-1 (Single Family Residential), C (General Commercial), C-N (Neighborhood Commercial)

ENTITLEMENT PROCESS

As proposed, staff anticipates the following entitlements:

Architectural Review Permit: An Architectural Review Permit is required for any new building which would be visible from the public right-of-way. The Architectural Review Permit is the primary subject of review and recommended action in this staff report.

Conditional Use Permit: In 2003, The City approved a modification to Honda's Conditional Use Permit. Staff has determined that a new Conditional Use Permit is required, as the proposed project is significantly increasing in size. Overall sales are anticipated to grow by 50%, and the service component of the business is anticipated to increase by at least 200%. The number of employees will be increasing from 70 to 140.

Parking: At this time, staff is actively reviewing the parking demand for the proposed use. Additional information and clarification from the applicant is needed in order to determine if all parking requirements are met.

STAFF'S PROJECT ANALYSIS

The proposed project is located within the Transit Corridors Plan (TCP) area. Staff has developed a formal pre-submittal process for specific project located within the TCP area. The intent of the pre-submittal process is to notify neighbors of the proposed project, receive public input, and receive initial feedback from staff, an outside design consultant, and the Architectural Review Committee (ARC). Preliminary plans were first submitted to staff in December 2015. More recently, staff received detailed plans on June 21, 2016, formally initiating the TCP pre-submittal process. The project was recently reviewed by Larry Cannon, Architectural Peer Review Consultant. Mr. Cannon's most recent memo is attached as Exhibit D. Mr. Cannon and staff have analyzed the preliminary plans against the TCP Design Guidelines. Areas of concern include site layout and circulation, and the overall massing and

scale of the proposed building.

Site Design & Circulation:

Staff is concerned with ingress/egress and overall on-site circulation. As proposed, the existing southernmost curb cuts would provide the main point of access to the subject property for customers accessing the service component of the business and the surface parking lot located at the south side of the subject site. The existing curb cuts are currently not utilized and are located within an existing intersection. Staff has distributed the plans to Caltrans for their review. Additionally, staff is requiring that a Traffic Study be conducted. At a minimum, the Traffic Study will require LOS intersection analysis, on-site circulation analysis, ingress/egress analysis, and a traffic signal analysis. The on-site circulation analysis needs to address how delivery vehicles, emergency response vehicles, and garbage/recycling trucks will access and navigate on-site. Additionally, the on-site circulation analysis needs to study the interaction between customers accessing and leaving the service/repair services versus people parking in the surface parking lot located on the south side of the subject site. Staff will identify and distribute the full scope of services required for the Traffic Study to the applicant once we have received initial feedback from Caltrans.

The project also proposes to incorporate a new curb cut along Linden Avenue. Staff's primary goal is to maintain and be respectful of the residential character along Linden Avenue. Therefore, staff is recommending that access via the proposed Linden Avenue curb cut be limited to emergency service vehicles. Staff is recommending the incorporation of emergency service bollards, which would prohibit daily use of the Linden Avenue curb cut.

Below, are additional site design TCP Guidelines that are applicable to the proposed project:

- **A1-9:** Require continuous building facades along San Mateo Avenue. On El Camino Real, Huntington Avenue, and San Bruno Avenue encourage continuous building facades where possible. Where continuous building facades cannot be provided, minimize driveway curb cuts to no more than 25 feet wide and landscape alleys with plantings and trees.
- **A3-2:** Locate street trees and planter strips between sidewalks and roadway to provide a safety buffer for pedestrians from traffic. Allow tree wells and planters to be used instead of planter strips in cases where parking or bicycle lanes are located next to sidewalks.
- **A13-3:** Minimize impervious surfaces such as concrete, asphalt and hardscaping, especially for surface parking lots. Utilize permeable joint pavers, porous concrete and asphalt, reinforced grass pavement (turfcrete), cobblestone block pavement, and other similar material that allow water to infiltrate.

Staff further has the following site design and circulation recommendations:

- a. Provide defined pedestrian walkways between the customer parking lot and the building.
- b. Add additional street trees along the El Camino Real frontage. The street trees should be located within the site property lines and should be installed at a location where they do not conflict with existing utilities.
- c. Add a low wall and architectural elements between the customer parking lot and the landscaping at the street edge to extend the architectural frontage.
- d. Utilize permeable paving in the customer parking lot
- e. Enhance Memory Lane by providing special paving, lighting, street furniture, and bike racks.

Massing and Scale

Staff finds that the overall massing and scale of the proposed project is not consistent with a number of TCP Design Guidelines. As proposed, the building includes little articulation and is not respecting the residential character of the adjacent single-family neighborhood located to the rear of the subject site along Linden Avenue. Applicable TCP Guidelines are as follows:

- **A2-1:** The design of new development must respect the scale, form, and development pattern of the existing residential neighborhoods surrounding/adjoining the Transit Corridors Area.
- **A2-2:** Ensure the transition between high-density development and lower density development, including surrounding existing residential neighborhoods, by carefully considering site design and architectural massing. Reduce the scale of building by stepping back the upper-stories, consistent with the Development Standards in this chapter when abutting single family residences.
- **A2-5:** Break up the mass of large-scale buildings with articulation in form, architectural details, and changes in materials and colors, and other similar elements.
- **A2-7:** Break up long horizontal roof lines on buildings with flat or low pitched roofs by incorporating architectural elements such as parapets, varying cornices and roof lines. Roof lines should be broken at intervals no greater than 50'-long by change in height or roof form.
- **A2-8:** Encourage deep roof overhangs to create shadows and add depth to facades.
- **A3-1:** Provide transitions between commercial and residential buildings by encouraging upper-story stepbacks beyond what is required by the development standards.
- **A3-2:** Step down building heights along the secondary frontage and rear of buildings to reduce impact on adjacent properties. Stepping back upper stories will also minimize shadows cast on public amenities such as sidewalks, parks and greenways, and lessens privacy concerns with adjoining lots/neighbors.
- **A5-1:** Incorporate architectural elements on all facades to prevent blank walls. Though the highest level of articulation will occur on front facades, all exposed sides of a building should be designed with the same quality materials: Articulate facades with a variety of materials; All building sides should include glazing, awnings, projecting and recessed elements, or other details to add visual interest; and roof lines and cornice details should be designed in a three-dimensional manner so that the features on the back of the roof and/or unfinished areas are not visible.
- **A5-2:** Design buildings that contribute to the urban fabric by varying setback, roof heights, upper-story stepbacks, building articulation and landscaping treatments.

Staff finds that the following recommendations would address concerns regarding overall massing and scale and would better achieve consistency with the TCP Design Guidelines referenced above:

El Camino Real Façade Recommendations:

- a. Within the El Camino Real character area, a setback of 15'-0" is required above the fourth floor when facing a corridor street. The upper most portion of east elevation must be setback 15'-0" from the fourth story below.
- b. Add a projecting cornice canopy just above the fourth floor elevation.
- c. Incorporate individual sunshades above the second and third floor level, directly above the louvers. Staff recommends that the individual sunshades be installed in between the column elements.
- d. Terminate the metal louvers at the columns rather than running them in front of the columns on the second floor.
- e. Add further articulation to the large signage wall. One consideration would be to continue the metal louver design in the northerly direction.

- f. Reduce the height of the entry feature so that it terminates at the top of the second floor level.
- g. Add a canopy above the main entry to enhance the pedestrian scale of the street façade.
- h. Use a grey/silver color for the ribbon bands in lieu of blue.

South Elevation Recommendations:

- a. Continue the projecting canopy above the fourth floor.
- b. Incorporate individual sunshades above the second and third floor level, direction above the louvers. Staff recommends that the individual sunshades be installed in between the column elements.
- c. Terminate the metal louvers at the columns rather than running them in front of the columns on the second floor.
- d. Use softer and varied colors.

West Elevation Recommendations:

- a. Setback the fourth and fifth floors on the Linden Avenue façade to mitigate the impact and preserve the character of the adjacent single-family residential neighborhood.
- b. Add a projecting cornice canopy just above the third floor elevation.
- c. Incorporate individual sunshades directly above the second floor.
- d. Terminate the metal louvers at the columns rather than running them in front of the columns on the second floor.
- e. Replace trees along property line with taller species to better screen the rear elevation.
- f. Use softer and varied colors.

North Elevation Recommendations:

- a. Setback the fifth floor a minimum of 15 feet
- b. Setback the north facade along the adjacent parking lot to allow articulation of the tall blank wall.
- c. Include vine planting along the north side elevation. The vines shall be planted and trained to grow on the first story wall.
- d. Add a projecting cornice canopy just above the fourth floor elevation.
- e. The projecting cornice canopy along the north elevation shall continue along the
- f. Incorporate individual sunshades or other devices above the second and third floor elevation.
- g. Use softer and varied colors.

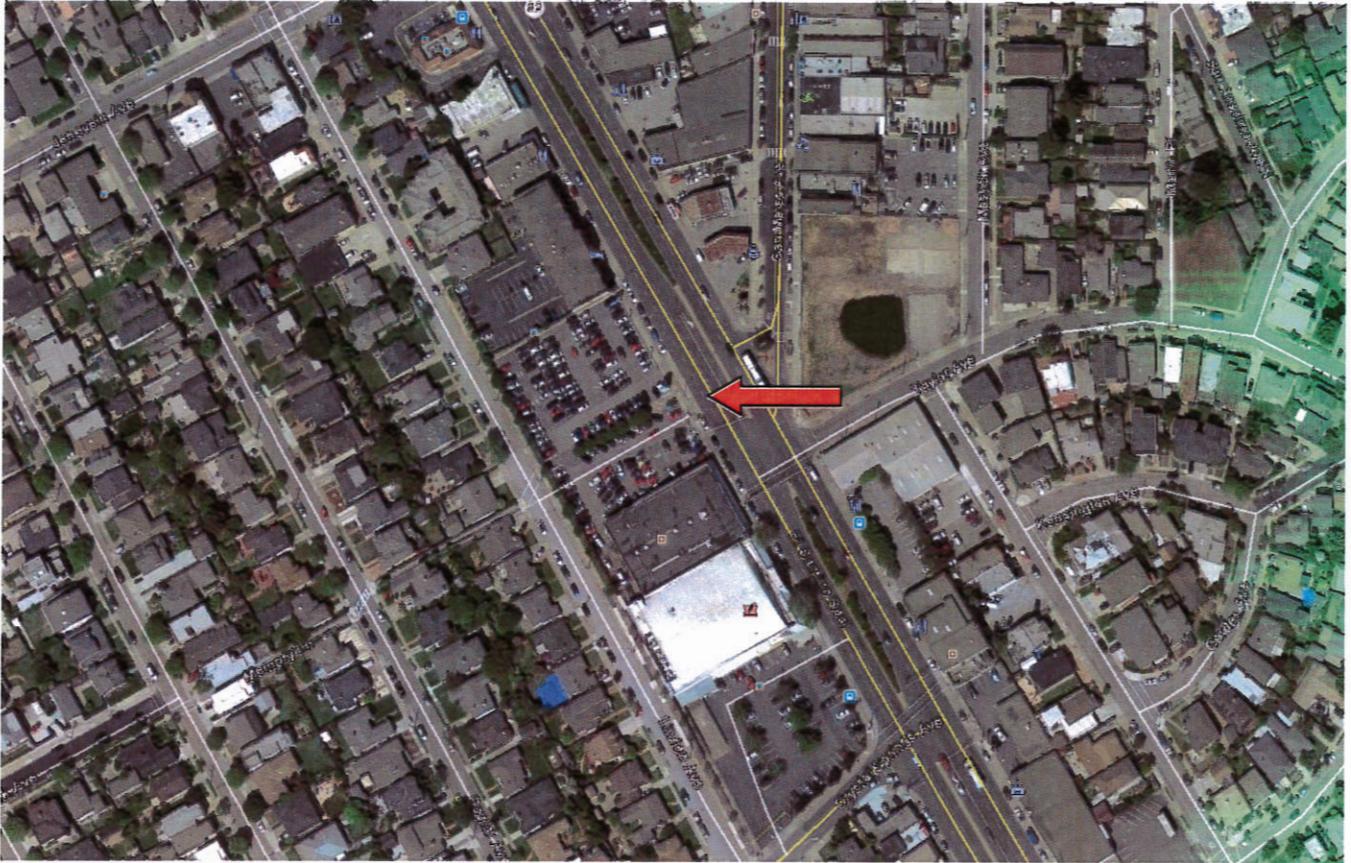
Lastly, staff recommends that the applicant consider incorporating solar panels on the roof-top. This is consistent with TCP Design Guideline A10-11, which states, "Encourage the installation of solar panels on roof-decks of parking structures, both as shading devices for vehicles and as a sustainable energy source." To meet this objective, staff recommends that the applicant consider adding solar panels to the roof.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the Architectural Review Committee provide feedback and further direction regarding the recommendations presented in this report.

EXHIBITS

- A:** Site Location
- B:** Photographs
- C:** Site Plan, Floor Plans, and Elevations
- D:** Comments from Larry Cannon, Peer Review Architect
- E:** Preliminary Comments from Reviewing Departments
- F:** E-mail Correspondence from Property Owner



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Exhibit A: Site Location



Subject Site



Subject Site

Exhibit B: Photographs



Subject Site (Memory Lane)



Adjacent Residential District along Linden Avenue

Exhibit B: Photographs

Vicinity Map



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Project Description

Victory Honda - 345 El Camino Real, San Bruno, California
 Zoned "C" General Commercial: Parcel number 0202993040
 Project is the re-envisioning of an existing automobile sales and service facility. Community growth has increased the demand for automotive sales. Additional sales has created a greater need for vehicle service capacity.
 Operations of the new facility will be based on existing facility hours of operations. Sales and Service will still be conducted between the hours of 7:00 AM to 7:00 PM, daily.
 The larger facility will allow an expansion of staff from 70 full time employees to at least 140 full time employees. Construction Gives us an opportunity to relocate and improve Memory lane. Memory lane is a public walk that bisects the existing dealership. Its current location causes pedestrians to cross two internal drives. Currently the walkway paving is in disrepair with uneven patches and trip hazards. Our plan shifts the walkway out of traffic and improves both paving and planting.
 Building Foot print will grow from 15,127 square feet to 35,251 square feet. Total building area will grow from 19,097 square feet to 155,084 square feet.
 Sales facilities will grow from 3,980 square feet to 8,053 square feet. The sales consultation will go from eight sales desks to sixteen sales desks. Financing offices will increase from two offices to four offices. Service writers will go from three advisors to six advisors. Service reception will grow from one car to eight cars. Service stalls will grow from eleven productive stalls to thirtyeight productive stalls. On site inventory will grow from 111 vehicles to 395 vehicles.



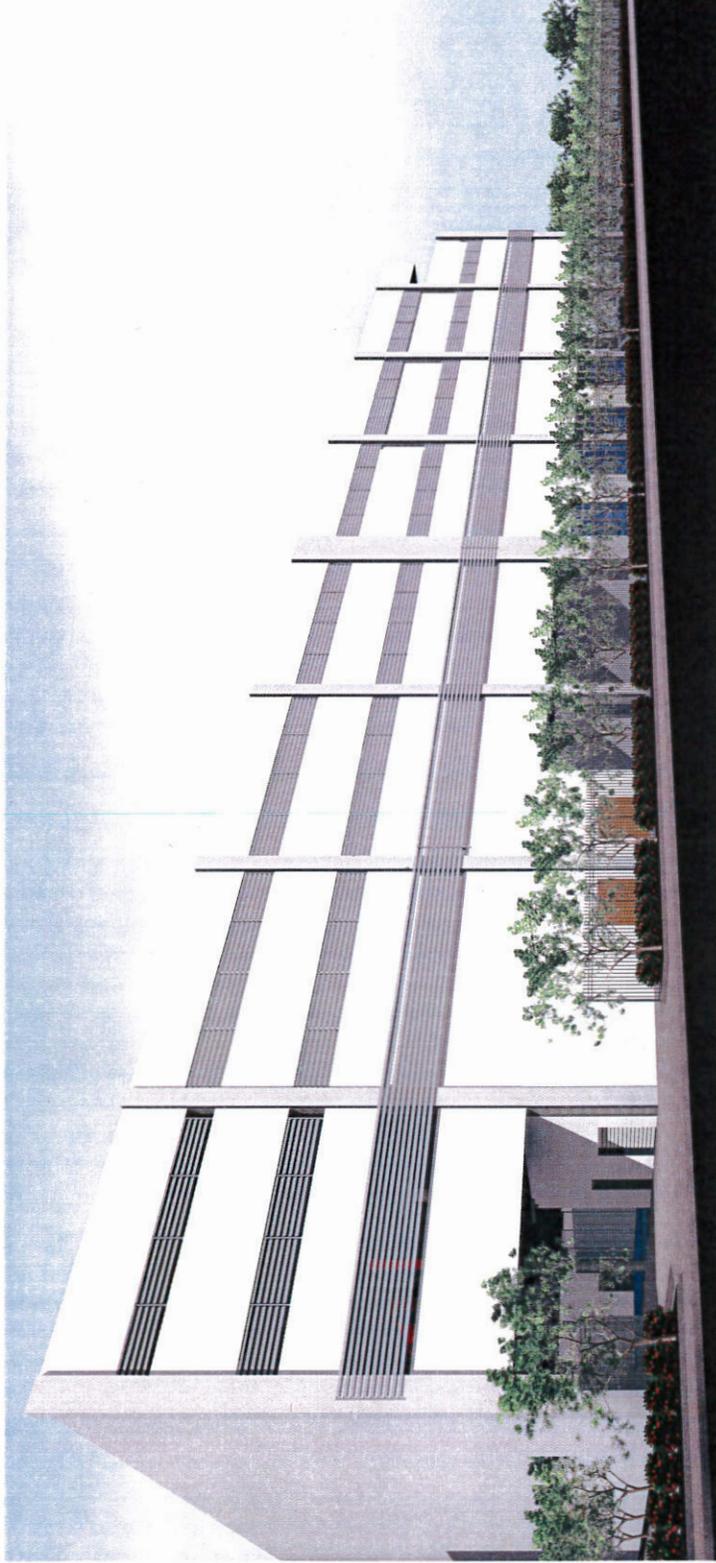
Victory Honda of San Bruno

Victory Honda - Schematic Study - Renewing El Camino Real Looking North
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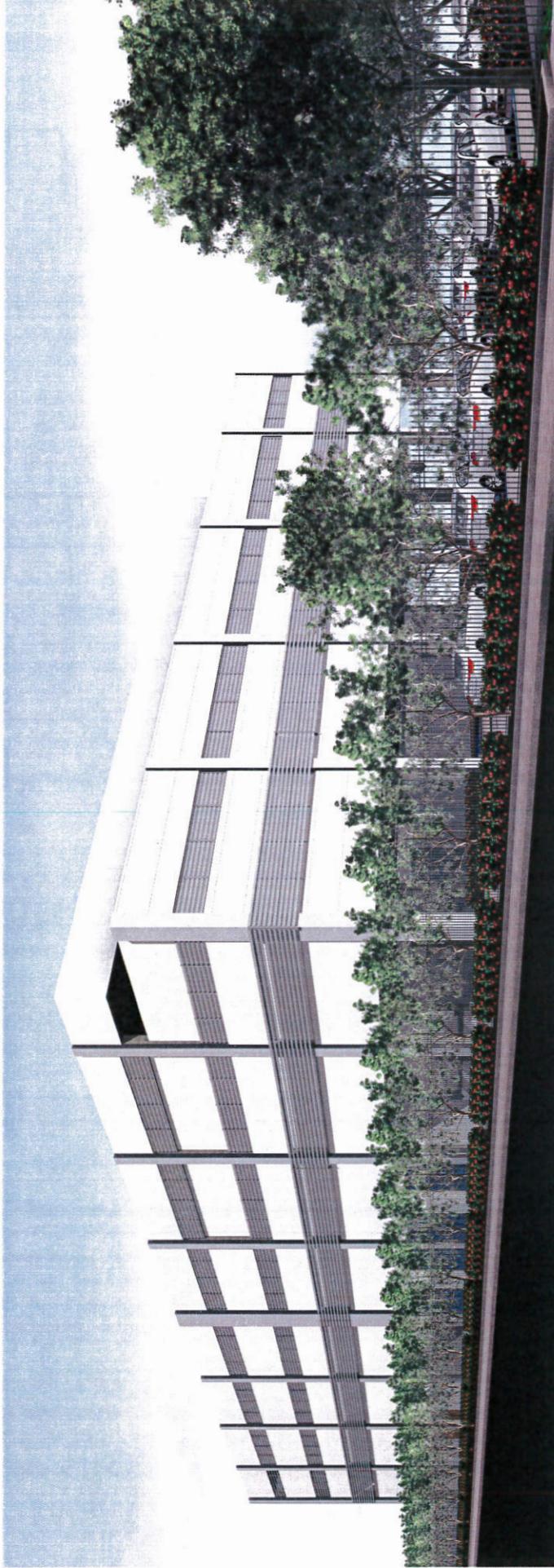
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Victory Honda - Schematic Study - Rendering El Camino Real, Locking South
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Victory Honda - Schematic Study - Rendering Linden Avenue Looking South
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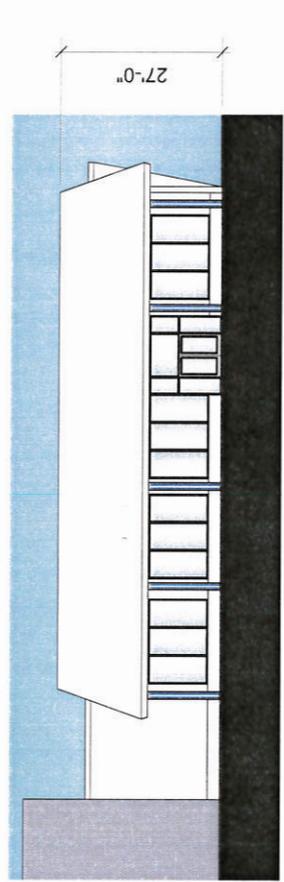
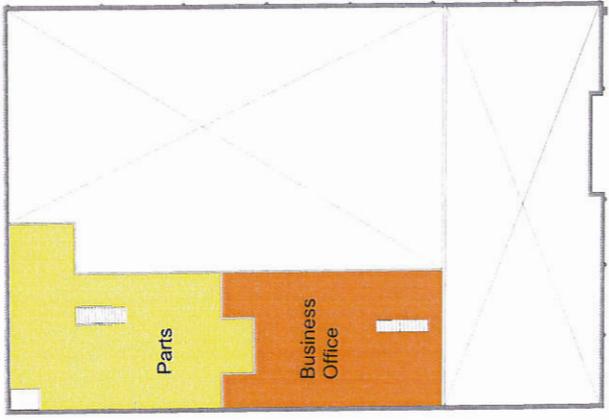
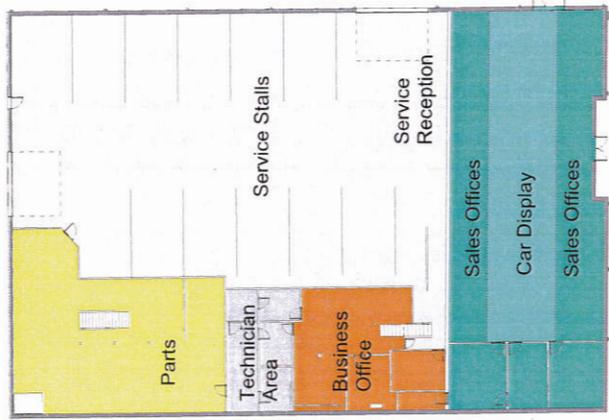


Victory Honda of San Bruno

Victory Honda - Schematic Study - Rendering Linden Avenue Looking North
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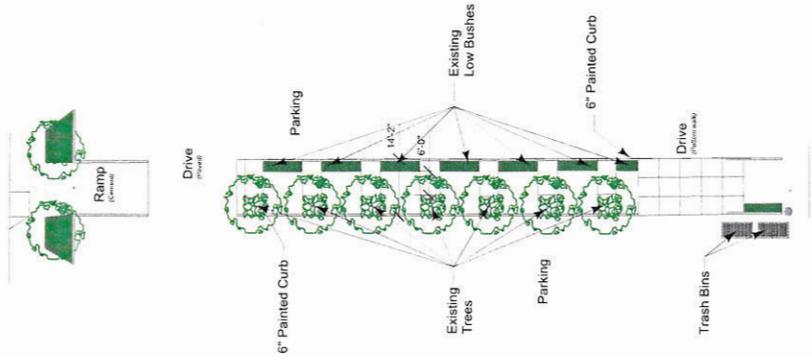
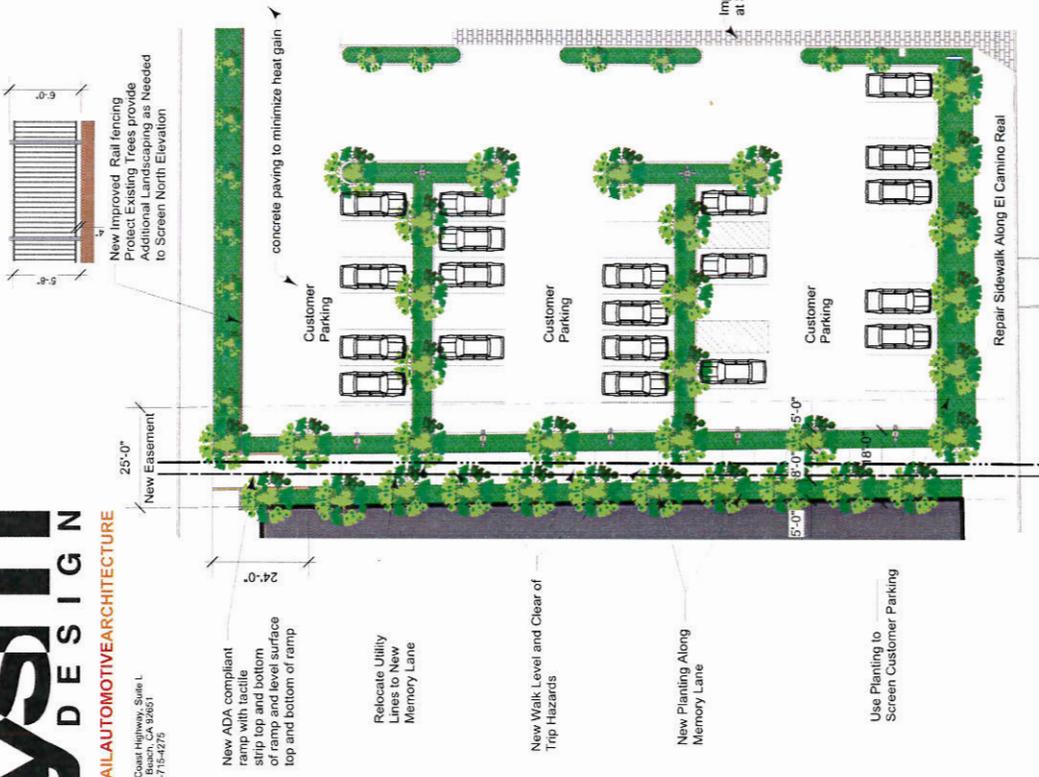
Existing Building - Two Floors
(1) 1st Floor (2) 2nd Floor

- Showroom Display - Area
(1) 1st Floor (2) 2nd Floor
- Showroom Office - Area
(1) 1st Floor (2) 2nd Floor
- Business Administration - Area
(1) 1st Floor (2) 2nd Floor
- Service Bays - Area
(1) 1st Floor (2) 2nd Floor
- Service Technician - Area
(1) 1st Floor (2) 2nd Floor
- Parts Inventory - Area
(1) 1st Floor (2) 2nd Floor
- Service Department
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- Sales Department
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- Site Inventory
(1) 1st Floor (2) 2nd Floor



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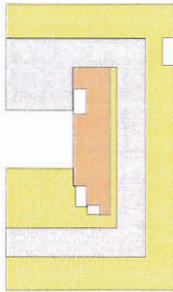
Victory Honda's Schematic Existing Building Plan
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Victory Honda - Memory Lane Schematic Study
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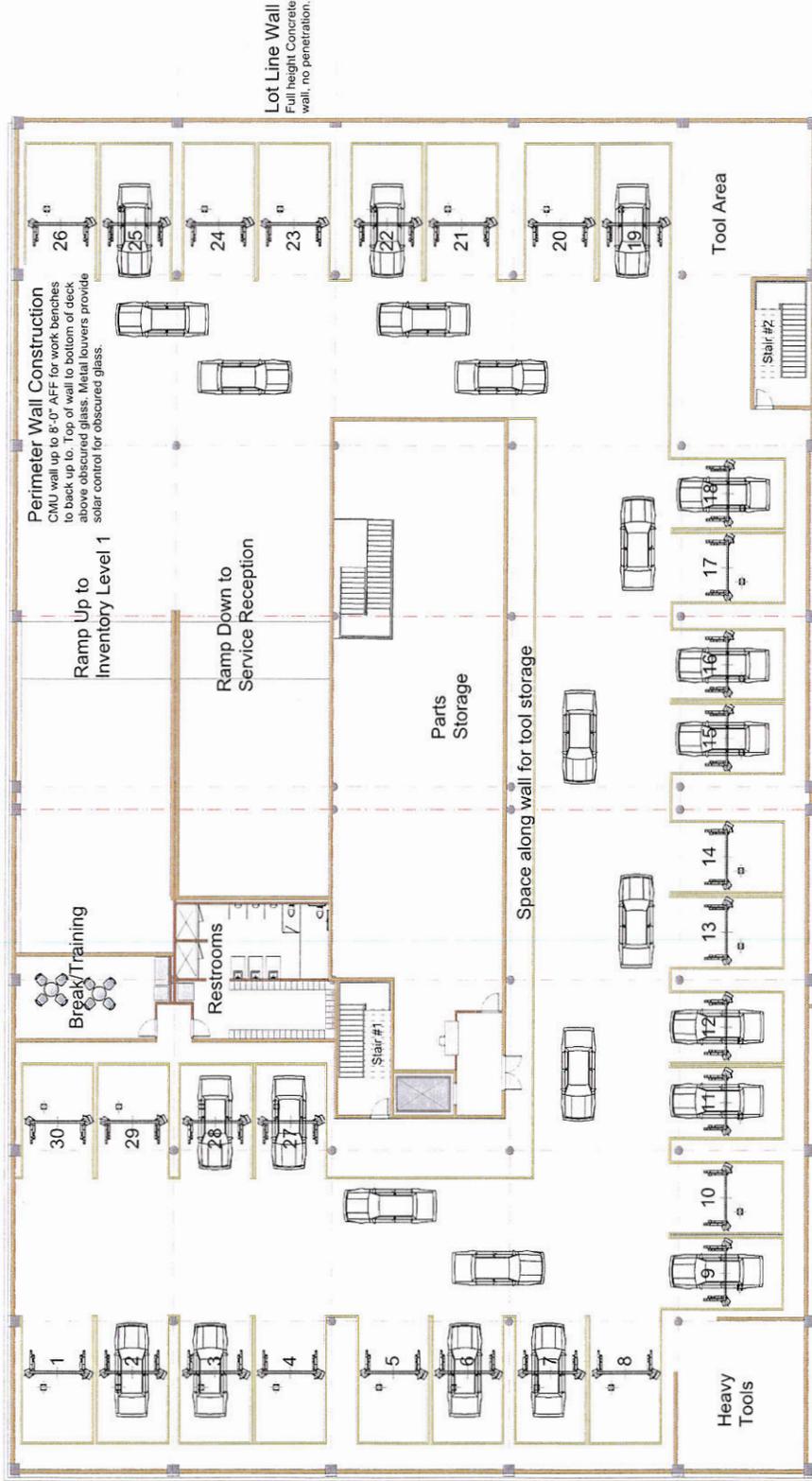


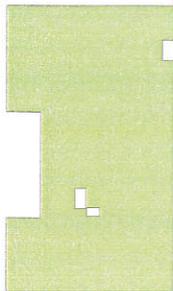


Service Department	16,195 sf
Parts Department	3,221 sf
Circulation	10,817 sf
Storage Space	1,800 sf
Repair Garage	1,250 sf
	4 stalls
	65 stalls

Service / Parts

All Vehicles on this level are Driven by Staff only. No Customer Contact is permitted on this level.





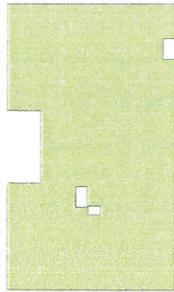
Inventory Display 30,739 sf

Inventory 1,800 sf 38 spaces

Inventory Storage

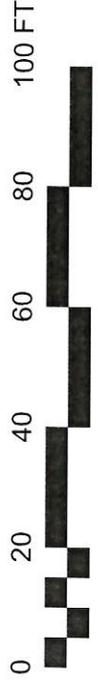
All Vehicles on this level are
Valet parking only. Provides
No floor parking as needed
No vehicle access to this
Level. Cars are driven down
to Delivery drive for viewing.

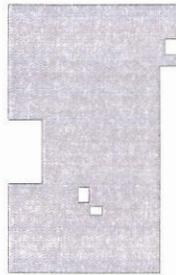




Inventory Storage 31,588 sf
Storage 1,900 sf 39 spaces

Inventory Storage
All Vehicles on this level are
Covered parking only. Provides
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for cars on the
Level. Cars are brought down
to Delivery drive for viewing.





Parking 27,233 sf

Parking No Occupancy

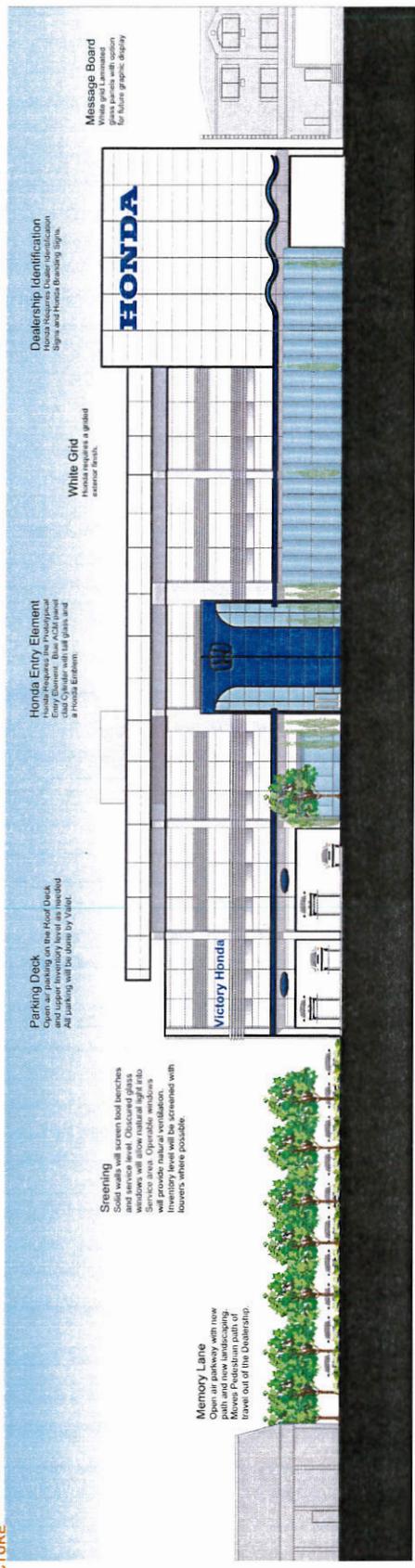
Open to Level Below

15'-0"

Parking Deck

All Parking on this level is Valet only. This area is not open to the General Public





Screening
Solid walls will screen food benches and service level. Obscured glass windows will allow natural light into interior spaces. Screened glass will provide natural ventilation. Inventory level will be screened with louvers where possible.

Memory Lane
Open air pathway with new trees to provide pedestrian path of travel out of the Dealership.

Green Belt
New planting along El Camino Real to provide screening at self parking.

Egress
Louvers under cover of the canopy.

Entrance
Louvers under cover of the canopy.

Jewel Box Display
Street Level Display of Vehicles. Jewel Box system using spider clamps.

Honda Eave with Wave Element
Honda Requires the Parapetical Eave Element. Wave. Both Eave and Wave are covered with Blue ACM.



Screening
Solid walls will screen food benches and service level. Obscured glass windows will allow natural light into interior spaces. Screened glass will provide natural ventilation. Inventory level will be screened with louvers where possible.

Enclosed Delivery
Close overhead door to limit noise.

Trash/Fluid
Collected into an enclosed area.

Detail Bays
Covered into a covered area where water can be collected and treated.

Heavy Bays
Space exceptions noise will have an over head door that can be closed to reduce noise.

Screening Along Lindow
The entire length of Lindow to be screened with plants and a new permanent fence.

White smooth plaster
Finish edge reveals to
ACI columns for cylinder
and concrete between
columns

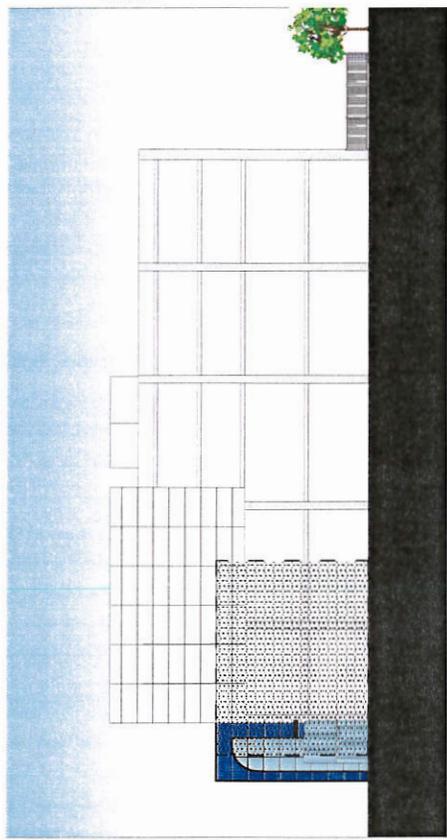


Recessed Louvers
Silver lined aluminum
Vertical Metal Columns

Vertical Metal Columns
Grey ACP

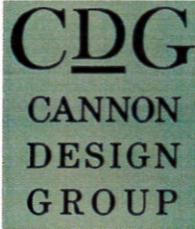
Horizontal Louvers
over Vertical Metal Columns
wrapping outside corner
of framed glass at
service level

Zero Lot line Wall
New Fencing along Recessed
edge of floor into wall element
to provide credit for BSS retention



Fencing
New Fencing along Recessed
edge of floor into wall element
with 7' public back





July 26, 2016

Mr. Matthew Neuebaumer
Department of Community Development
City of San Bruno
567 El Camino Real
San Bruno, CA 94066

RE: 345 El Camino Real | HONDA

Dear Matt:

I reviewed the drawings, and visited the site. My comments are as follows:

NEIGHBORHOOD CONTEXT

The site is located on El Camino Real directly across the street from the southerly entry to the San Mateo Avenue Downtown corridor. It is currently occupied by the Honda Dealership showroom and display lot. Photographs of the site and surrounding development are shown on the following page.





View of the site



View from San Mateo Drive Downtown Entry/Exit



Immediately adjacent Drugstore to the south



Immediately adjacent Motor Inn to the north



The site (left) and adjacent single family residential neighborhood across Linden Avenue



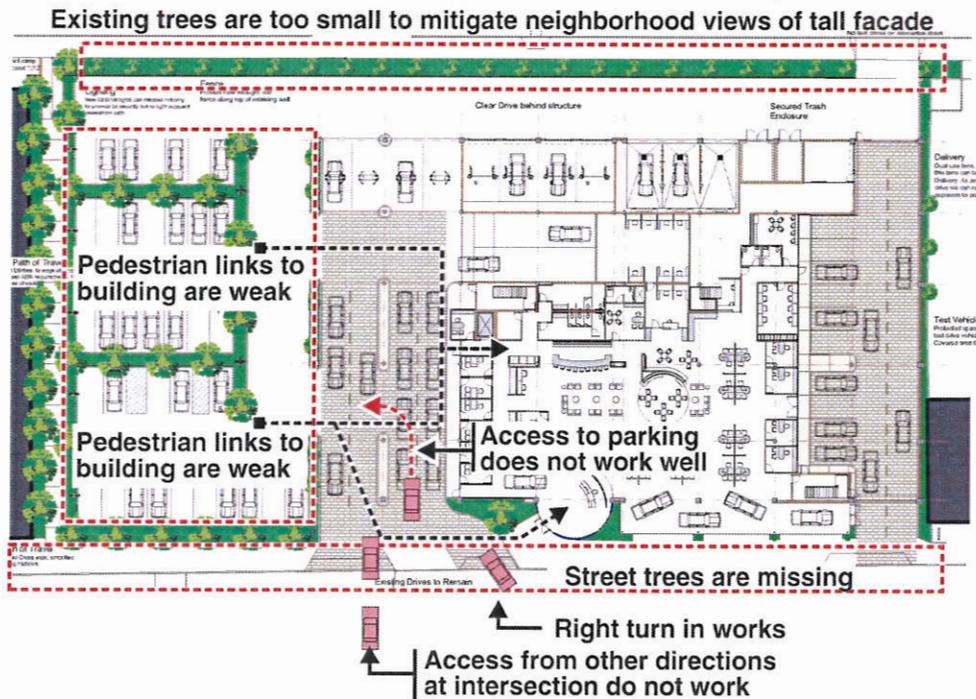
Single family residential neighborhood across Linden Avenue



Single family residential neighborhood across Linden Avenue

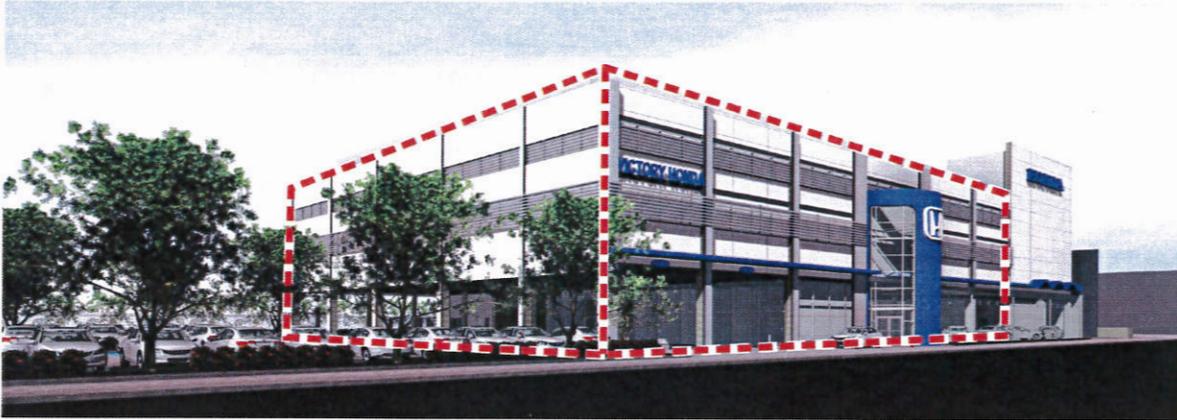
CONCERNS AND ISSUES

SITE PLAN

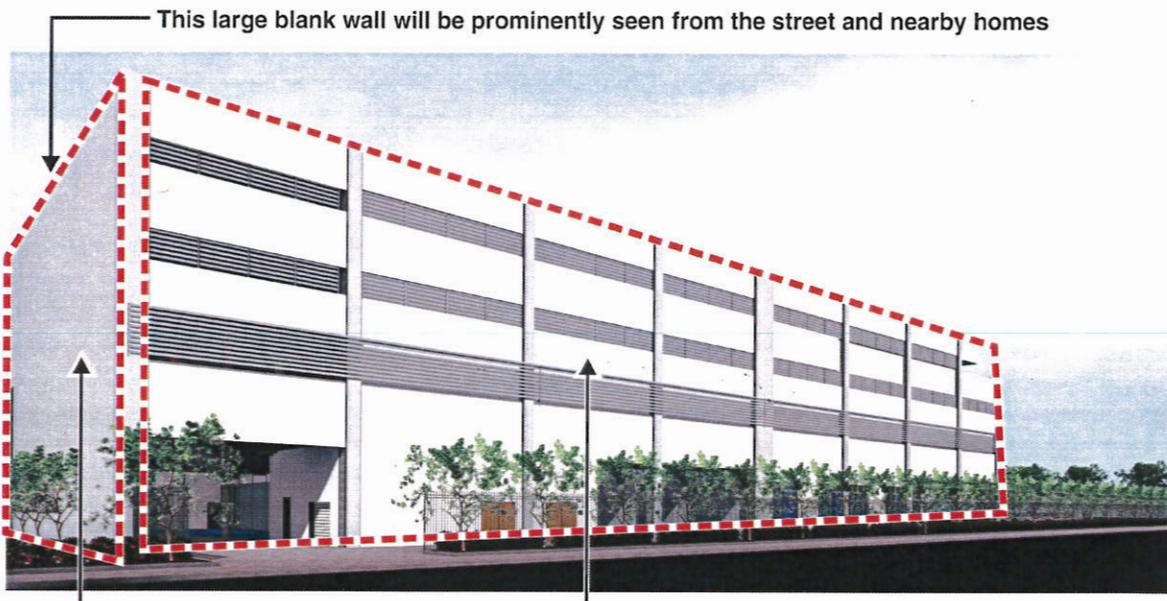


1. Access to the facility appears to be available only via southbound traffic on El Camino Real. A traffic analysis will be required to further analyze ingress/egress.
2. Access to the customer parking lot would be very limited at any time that the auto drop off area was fully occupied.
3. Pedestrian links between customer parking and the Showroom and Parts Department are weak.
4. Street trees are missing which would be in conflict with the following TCP guideline.
3-2 Locate street trees and planter strips between sidewalks and roadway to provide a safety buffer for pedestrians from traffic. Allow tree wells and planters to be used instead of planter strips in cases where parking or bicycle lanes are located next to sidewalks.
5. The large amount of exterior concrete paving on the site would not be consistent with the following TCP guideline.
A13-3 Minimize impervious surfaces such as concrete, asphalt and hardscaping, especially for surface parking lots. Utilize permeable joint pavers, porous concrete and asphalt, reinforced grass pavement (turfcrete), cobblestone block pavement, and other similar materials that allow water to infiltrate.
6. The existing trees along Linden Avenue are too small to effectively buffer views to the large building from the adjacent street and neighborhood.

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Overall design as a big box with a few embellishments is not consistent with the Transit Corridors Plan Design Guidelines



This large blank wall will be prominently seen from the street and nearby homes

Overall design as a big box is not sensitive to the adjacent residential neighborhood and is not consistent with the Transit Corridors Plan Design Guidelines

1. The overall design as a big box with a few embellishments is not consistent with the following TCP guidelines.

As new development occurs in the Transit Corridors Area, the General Plan emphasizes the need to be sensitive to surrounding lower density residential uses to ensure the transition is designed effectively to minimize impacts.

A2-1 The design of new development must respect the scale, form, and development pattern of existing residential neighborhoods surrounding/adjoining the Transit Corridors Area.

A2-2 Ensure the transition between high-density development and lower density development, including surrounding existing residential neighborhoods, by carefully considered site design and architectural massing. Reduce the scale of buildings by stepping back the upper-stories, consistent with the Development Standards in this chapter when abutting single family residences.

A2-5 Break up the mass of large-scale buildings with articulation in form, architectural details, and changes in materials and colors, and other similar elements:

A2-7 Break up long horizontal roof lines on buildings with flat or low pitched roofs by incorporating architectural elements such as parapets, varying cornices and roof lines. Roof lines should be broken at intervals no greater than 50' long by changes in height or roof form.

A2-8 Encourage deep roof overhangs to create shadows and add depth to facades.

A3-1 Provide transitions between commercial and residential buildings by encouraging upper-story setbacks beyond what is required by the development standards.

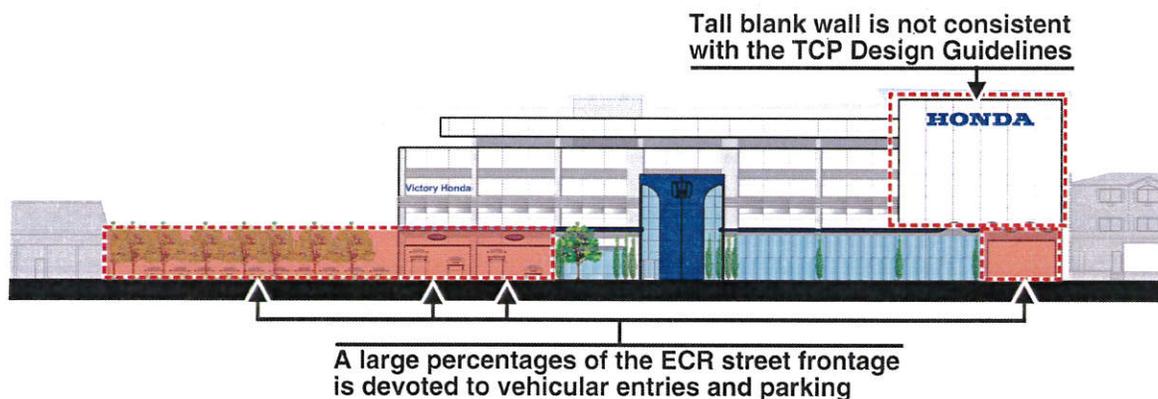
A3-2 Step down building heights along the secondary frontage and rear of buildings to reduce impact on adjacent properties. Stepping back upper stories will also minimize shadows cast on public amenities such as sidewalks, parks and greenways, and lessens privacy concerns with adjoining lots/neighbors.

A5-1 Incorporate architectural elements on all façades to prevent blank walls. Though the highest level of articulation will occur on front façades, all exposed sides of a building should be designed with the same quality materials:

- *Articulate facades with a variety of materials;*
- *All building sides should include glazing, awnings, projecting and recessed elements, or other details to add visual interest; and*
- *Roof lines and cornice details should be designed in a three-dimensional manner so that the features on the back of the roof and/or unfinished areas are not visible.*

A5-2 Design buildings that contribute to the urban fabric by varying setbacks, roof heights, upper-story setbacks, building articulation and landscaping treatments.

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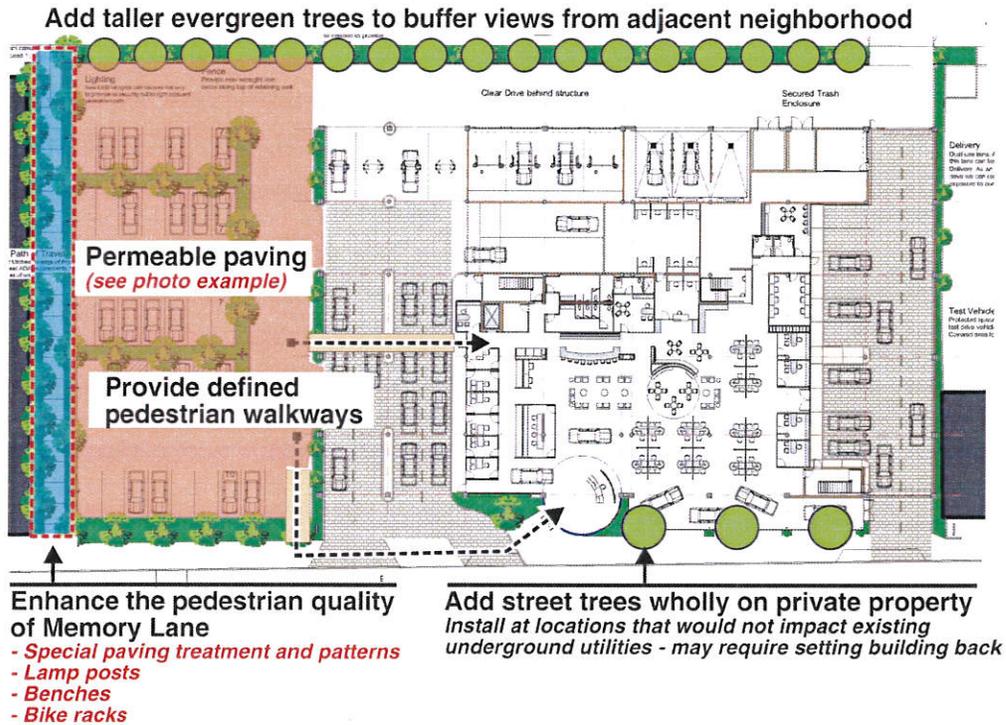


2. The tall blank signage wall facing El Camino Real is not consistent with the TCP Design Guidelines or Development Standards, which require a 15 foot step back.
3. A large percentage of the El Camino Real street frontage is devoted to vehicular entries and parking. This would not be consistent with the following TCP guideline.

A1-9 Require continuous building facades along San Mateo Avenue. On El Camino Real, Huntington Avenue, and San Bruno Avenue encourage continuous building facades where possible. Where continuous building facades cannot be provided, minimize driveway curb cuts to no more than 25 feet wide and landscape alleys with plantings and trees.

RECOMMENDATIONS

SITE PLAN



1. Utilize permeable paving in the customer parking lot - see example below.



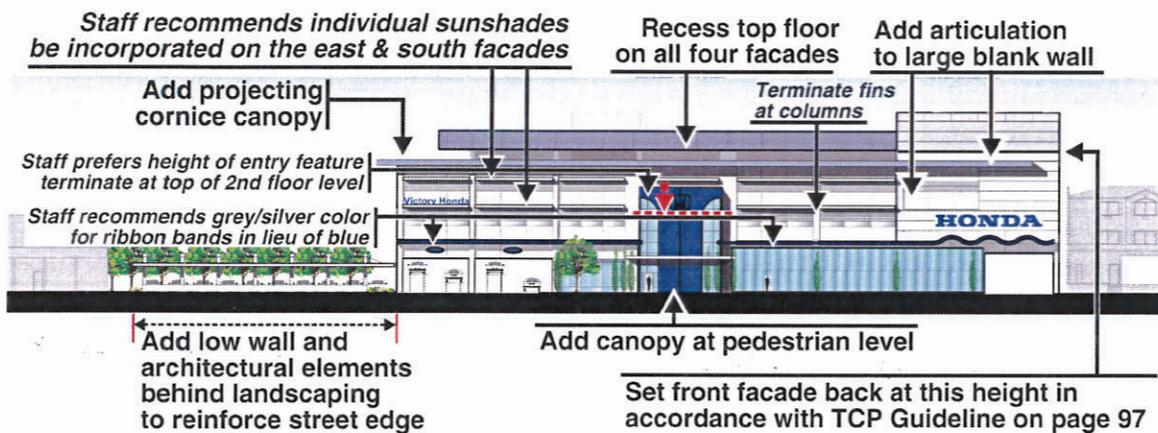
2. Provide defined pedestrian walkways between the customer parking lot and the building.
3. Add street trees along the El Camino Real frontage. These should be located within the site property lines and not conflict with existing utilities. An adjustment in the building setback may be required.

4. Add taller evergreen trees along the Linden Avenue property edge to buffer views from the adjacent neighborhood - see photo example below.



5. Enhance the pedestrian quality of Memory Lane with special paving, lighting and street furniture in addition to the proposed landscaping.

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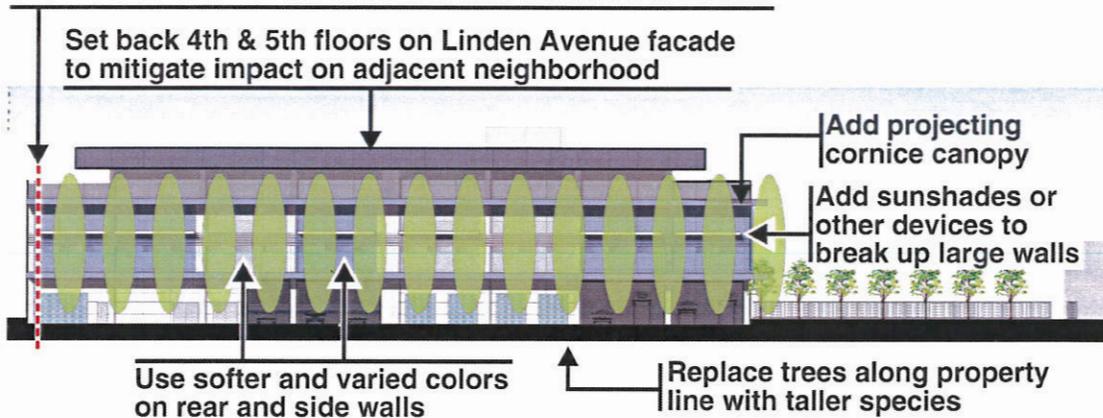


6. Set back all portions of the front facade, including the signage wall, above the fifth floor a minimum of 15 feet.
7. Add a projecting cornice canopy.
8. Add articulation to the large signage wall.
9. Staff prefers that the height of the entry feature terminate at the top of the second floor level. Therefore, the entry feature would have to be slightly reduced in height.
10. Add a canopy above the main entry to enhance the pedestrian scale of the street facade.
11. Staff recommends using a grey/silver color for the ribbon bands in lieu of blue.
12. Terminate the horizontal fins at the columns rather than running them in front of the columns on the second floor.
13. Staff also recommends that individual sunshades be incorporated along the El Camino Real elevation above the second and third floor level, directly above the louvers. The individual sunshades should be installed between the column features. The staff further recommends that the sunshades continue on the south side elevation.
14. Set back the top floor on the upper level at all facades.

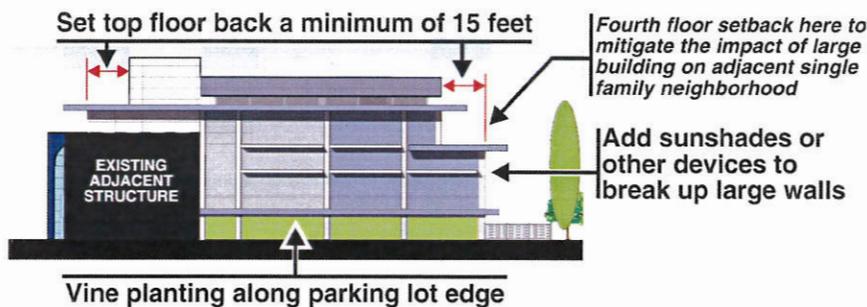
15. Add a low wall and architectural elements between the customer parking lot and the landscaping at the street edge to extend the architectural frontage and better address TCP Guideline A1-9 - see two examples below.



Setting north facade back along adjacent parking lot to allow articulation of the tall blank wall would be desirable



West Elevation Recommendations



North Elevation Recommendations

16. Set back the facade above the third floor on the Linden Avenue facade. While this is not mandatory based on the TCP Standards and Guidelines since it is separated from the adjacent residential neighborhood by Linden Avenue, it would be consistent with the spirit of the TCP which encourages larger commercial building to respect the scale of nearby homes.

A2-1 The design of new development must respect the scale, form, and development pattern of existing residential neighborhoods surrounding/adjoining the Transit Corridors Area.

17. Add additional detail elements (e.g., sunshades) to the rear and side facades to reduce the box-like massing of the structure by adding facade depth and shadow patterns, and to better relate it to the adjacent neighborhood.
18. Provide more attention to the north facade of the building which is currently shown as a large blank wall since it will be very visible from Linden Avenue, surrounding homes and the adjacent parking lot. Setting the north facade back from the north property line would be desirable to allow more facade articulation and landscaping.
19. Use softer and varied colors on the rear and side facades than the bright white color currently proposed.
20. Strongly consider adding solar panels to the roof top as encouraged by the TCP guidelines.

A10-11 Encourage the installation of solar panels on roof-decks of parking structures, both as shading devices for vehicles and as a sustainable energy source.

Two examples are shown obelow.



Matt, please let me know if you have any questions, or need anything further at this time.

Sincerely,
CANNON DESIGN GROUP

Larry Cannon

Honda – Comments from Reviewing Departments

Please note, the comments identified below are preliminary in nature, and were based on the review of the preliminary plans that were submitted on June 21, 2016. A full completeness check will be conducted once the project is formally submitted.

Planning Division Comments:

Architectural Recommendations: Please see the attached memo from our Peer Review Architect, which contains specific recommendations.

Environmental Review: The project is subject to the environmental review process. The subject property is located within the Transit Corridors Plan (TCP). A program EIR and Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program were prepared for the TCP and adopted by the City Council. Therefore, site specific individual projects, such as the proposed project, can be evaluated using the program EIR to decide if all potentially significant environmental impacts of the individual project:

- (a) Have been previously identified (are not new) and are not substantially more severe than those identified in the program EIR;
- (b) Will be avoided or mitigated to the extent feasible as a result of the EIR; and
- (c) Have been examined in sufficient detail in the EIR to enable the impacts to be avoided or mitigated by the mitigations in the EIR, site-specific project revisions, or the implementation of standard development regulations.

To determine if the above conditions are met, an Initial Study/Environmental Checklist must be prepared for the proposed project. The following studies/reports must be generated for the preparation of the Initial Study/Environment Checklist.

- Tree Survey
- Geotechnical Report
- Phase 1 Environmental Assessment
- Identify if any hazardous material have ever been used on-site, or will be used on-site
- Asbestos survey report
- FAA notification – The FAA requires review of projects within close proximity to airports. There are two options for your consideration:
 - Option #1: Submit the required documentation (Form 7460-1) to the FAA, and submit proof that the FAA has reviewed and approved the project.
 - Option #2 – An exemption form may be submitted to the City in-lieu of FAA notification. If you elect to proceed with this option please submit the attached exemption form to the Community Development Department.
- Storm water treatment plan
- Noise Assessment (generation and exposure)
- Traffic study and feasibility analysis (staff will follow up and identify the scope of the analysis). Please note, staff distributed the preliminary plans to Caltrans. I will forward you their comments as soon as I receive them.
- Transportation and Parking Demand Management Plan
- Estimates of water demand and wastewater generation

Written Statement: Please provide one consolidated written statement describing the proposal in detail. The written statement should be a stand-alone document and shall include information comparing existing operations versus proposed operations, hours of operation, delivery of vehicles and other associated parts, on-site circulation, quantity of vehicle inventory, employees parking, etc. Please identify how often deliveries will take place, when they will take place, how delivery trucks will access and leave the site, how long delivery trucks would be present on-site, and the dimensions of all delivery trucks.

TCP Development Standards: Within the El Camino Real character area, a step back of 15'-0" is required above the fourth floor when facing a corridor street. The upper most portion of the east elevation (the portion of the building with the "Honda" sign) must be setback 15'-0" from the fourth story below. Update the plans accordingly.

The TCP also requires a 10'-0" average front setback. Per the Survey on Sheet #6, the building would incorporate varying setback in relation to the front property line along El Camino Real. Please submit supporting calculations and identify if a 10'-0" average is being achieved.

Parking: The parking requirements for Motor Vehicle sales are as follows:

- One (1) parking space for each one thousand (1000) square feet of display floor area.
- One (1) space for each eight hundred (800) square feet of storage area.
- One (1) space for each two hundred fifty (250) square feet of office floor area.
- One (1) space for each two hundred fifty (250) square feet of repair/garage floor area.

- **1st Floor Parking:** Only the area where vehicles are on display should utilize the 1/1000 parking ratio. The other areas (consultation, information center, lounge, etc.) are considered office floor area and are subject to a 1/250 parking ratio.
- **2nd Floor:** All areas identified as "circulation" are considered garage floor area and must utilize the 1/250 parking ratio
- **Overall Comment:** The areas identified as unoccupied are not exempt from the required parking ratios. Update the calculations throughout the plans accordingly.

Plans: Please address the following comments when plans are formally submitted at the conclusion of the TCP pre-submittal process.

Site Plan: The site plan must incorporate the following:

- Include an existing site plan
- Clearly identify where the property line is and include dimensions.
- Show the locations and setbacks of neighboring buildings
- Roof plans showing slopes and eave widths
- Show all rights-of-way and easements
- Identify distances between property line and face of structure

Project Data Chart: Include a project data chart that incorporates all of the information below:

- Lot size in square feet
- Existing and proposed lot coverage
- Existing and proposed floor area
- Total number of parking spaces
- Impervious surfaces in square feet
- Landscaping in square feet.

Elevations – The elevations must incorporate the following:

- Label and accurately depict all exterior material, roof materials, trim windows, doors, gutter and downspouts.
- Identify what is located behind the metal louvers.
- Indicate overall building height (see Municipal Code 12.80.245 for definition)

Color and Material Sample Board – Submit a color and material board sample

Photometrics Plan – Submit a photometrics plan.

C.3 Project Development Checklist – The checklist can be found at the following website:
<http://www.flowstobay.org/newdevelopment>

Building Division: Based on the limited plan provided, it appears further clarification will be necessary to address conformance with disability accessibility, means of egress, fire separations, type of construction, occupancy classifications, soils, foundation, seismic resistance and analysis of proposed live loads as well as mechanical, electrical, plumbing, T24 Energy Efficiency Standards, non-residential and California Green Building Standards (Commissioning).

Fire Department:

1. Building to be constructed to the currently adopted California Fire and San Bruno Municipal Codes at time of permit application.
2. Building fire flow requirements (square footage and construction type) in accordance with California Fire Code Appendix B shall be calculated.
3. Fire hydrant locations and distribution to comply with CFC Appendix C. If new fire hydrants are required, the hydrants shall be Clow 960 models.
4. Manual pulls to initiate a general alarm to be installed in stairwells at ground level and shall provide horn/strobes throughout the building, service bay and garage floors.
5. Provide NFPA 13 fire sprinkler system throughout the building and garage levels. Fire sprinkler system shall be under a separate fire permit.
6. The fire sprinkler system shall be monitored (flow and tamper by each floor) by an approved fire alarm system which reports to a UL listed central station.
7. The fire sprinkler system to include Class 1 standpipe connections at each stairwell floor landing, including service bay and garage levels.
8. Standpipe connections shall meet the hydraulic calculations of NFPA 14.
9. Provide a NFPA 72 fire alarm system throughout the building and garage levels. System to be submitted under separate fire permit.
10. The fire alarm system shall be a UL certified installation.
11. A master graphic annunciator panel shall be provided showing the building in alarm and type of alarm.
12. Building fire sprinkler system fire department connection (FDC) shall be located on the address side of the building at approved location. A separate double detector check valve (DDCV) with incorporated FDC for the building shall be provided.

13. In lieu of a fire sprinkler bell, an exterior rated horn/strobe shall be mounted eight (8) feet above grade immediately adjacent to the building FDC.
14. A recessed Knox Box shall be provided at the main entrance. Two sets of keys shall be provided for the Knox Box.
15. Elevator to have no shunt trip. Sprinkler head at the top of the shaft to be eliminated. The same shall apply to the elevator equipment room.
16. Fire extinguishers shall not be obstructed or obscured from view.
17. In the event of power failure, an emergency electrical system shall automatically illuminate the means of egress.
18. Exit and exit access doors shall be marked by approved exit signs readily visible from any direction of egress travel.
19. Exit signs shall be internally or externally illuminated at all times. Signs shall be connected to an emergency power system that provides illumination for not less than 90 minutes in case of primary power loss.
20. FACP and other utility rooms shall be identified on entry door faces.
21. FACP shall be located on the primary (first) floor.
22. Electrical service equipment shall have a 36 inch working space at all times.
23. If utilized in final design, garage entrance control gates for street level access to parking levels shall comply with CFC Appendix D.
24. Garage level exit signs shall be visible and not obstructed.
25. Provide address numbers on exterior elevations as required by Fire Marshal.
26. Provide electronic files of floor and site plans, color coordinated, of building utility locations, shut-offs, FDC locations, standpipes, etc., upon completion of the project.
27. The Fire Department requests coordination of project management to allow for destructive training of the existing building for training purposes prior to its demolition.
28. A Safety Plan for demolition of the existing building to be submitted to and approved by the Fire Marshal.
29. Fire Department access shall be maintained throughout construction, with a minimum of 20 feet of width at all locations.
30. Required means of egress shall be continuously maintained free of obstructions.

Police Department

1. The address number for the business needs to be displayed on the front of the business and should be at least 6" high on a contrasting background, easily visible when approaching the business.
2. It is highly recommended that the applicant consider installing a robbery/burglary alarm system that is monitored by an offsite alarm company.
3. It is highly recommended that the applicant consider installing a video surveillance system capable of recording and saving any crimes that are committed on the premises.

4. The applicant is responsible to submit emergency contact information to the Police Department for after hour's emergency contact.
5. I recommend that the interior/exterior stairways be constructed in an open air manner or of glass to allow natural surveillance. If necessary to have the stairway enclosed I recommend that cameras be included with in the stairway to help prevent any criminal activity.
6. Stairwell landings should allow for a sixty-inch turning radius for use by the police and fire departments.
7. I recommend that bushes/shrubbery be no taller than two feet tall and that the lowest branch of any tree be no shorter than six feet tall. This is to allow natural surveillance around the exterior of the building, and to deter criminal activity and loitering. I recommend that all landscaping be continuously maintained to meet this standard.
8. Security planting materials are encouraged along fence and property lines and under vulnerable windows. Landscaping shall not conceal doors or windows from view, obstruct visibility of the parking lot from the street or business buildings, nor provide access to the roof.
9. Parking lots, driveways, circulation areas, aisles, passageways, recesses, and grounds contiguous to building shall be provided with lighting of sufficient wattage to provide adequate illumination to make clearly visible the presence of any person on or about the premises during the hours of darkness.
10. All exterior doors shall have their own light source which will adequately illuminate entry/exit areas at all hours in order to: Make any person on the premises clearly visible and provide adequate illumination for persons entering and exiting the building.
11. All entrances to parking areas shall be posted with appropriate signs per 22658(a) CVC, to assist in removal of vehicles at the property owners/managers request.
12. All handicap parking stalls shall be appropriately painted and marked as per the California Vehicle Code.
13. Compact-parking spaces shall be clearly marked on the pavement.
14. Designated fire lanes shall be properly painted and signage that reflects the red zone is a fire lane, for proper enforcement purposes.

Public Services Department

1. All damaged curb, gutter, sidewalk or driveway in the public right-of-way fronting the property not caused by a City street tree and curb, gutter, sidewalk or driveway not installed per City standards shall be removed and replaced.
2. Obtain an Encroachment Permit from Public Services Department prior to commencing any work within the City's public right-of-way. Obtain an Encroachment Permit from State Department of Transportation (Caltrans) prior to commencing any work within State right of way on El Camino Real.
3. An erosion control plan and storm water pollution prevention plan will be required. All work shall conform to the current NPDES requirements.
4. The project must include C.3 site Design Measures as required by the Municipal Regional Permit. A C.3 Checklist must also be completed and submitted for review.
5. Show adequacy and safety of proposed turning movements for vehicles exiting the site in the middle of the intersection along El Camino Real. Show there is adequate turning radius for vehicles to make the left turn from the driveway onto El Camino Real north. Address any modifications to the Caltrans-owned traffic signals and provide approvals from Caltrans for any changes. Account for vehicle movements and alignment of the Taylor Avenue leg of the

intersection. Although there is an existing driveway approach in the intersection on El Camino Real, it does not currently appear to be in use for vehicle movements, only to store cars. Please provide any background about why this driveway is not currently being used.

6. Provide copies of any comments/approvals from Caltrans for any proposed work along El Camino Real. Confirm Caltrans has been provided with the opportunity to review the proposed project.
7. As there are City utility mains within the easement in the middle of the property (2 water mains and 1 sanitary sewer main), Applicant shall be responsible for preparing a design to relocate the utilities and the associated construction costs to relocate the utilities. The utility lines cannot remain in their current locations with the proposed project, as access to them would be problematic and disruptive for both the City and the Applicant.
8. Applicant shall be responsible for the preparation of any legal documents should any easements or right of way be abandoned or created. Applicant shall also be responsible to pay for City costs to review any legal documents including City costs to hire a third-party consultant reviewer.
9. Show preliminary locations of utility service connections to the site including domestic water, fire service, irrigation, sanitary sewer and storm drain.
10. Applicant shall be responsible for costs to prepare a design to remove poles, overhead wires, and associated overhead structures and the underground installation of wires and facilities for supplying electric, communication, or similar or associated service along the Linden Avenue frontage including the costs to construct.
11. Show how the existing pedestrian path within the property will be re-routed to provide pedestrian access between Linden Avenue and El Camino Real.

Matthew Neuebaumer

From: Barry Lowery <barryclowery@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, August 05, 2016 12:27 PM
To: Matthew Neuebaumer
Subject: 5 story Honda building

Mr. Neuebaumer,

I am an absentee landlord owner of 361 Linden Ave, San Bruno and am responding to the Aug 2nd letter you mailed regarding the proposed 5 story Honda building.

5 stories seems too high for the neighborhood. Are we talking 50ft high? I could not read the plans and text on the back side of your letter is it way too small.

I read where Memory lane is going to be relocated adjacent to Walgreens. That makes no sense as it current location breaks up a long block. Please leave Memory Lane crossing the dealership where it is.

Linden elevation drawing shows metal fencing shrubs and trees. For decades that side of Linden has been a favorite stretch for dog walkers. Please keep it dog friendly.

For decades parking along Linden has been overcrowded due to the Honda work force parking along Linden. It is terrible when a resident cannot park in front of their home.

Has the Honda employee parking issue been addressed?

Sincerely, Barry Lowery