## Applicant

Kevin Halleran
Mike Halleran

Property Location 6820-6830 179th Street

## Parcel Size

.45 (north parcel)
.44 (south parcel)

## Zoning

NG Neighborhood General within the Legacy District

Approval Sought
Site Plan Approval
Requested Action
Approve the Site Plan
Project Planner
Paula J. Wallrich, AICP
Deputy Planning Director

## PLAN COMMISSION STAFF REPORT

AUGUST 20, 2015

## UNION SQUARE TOWNHOMES

6820-6830 179TH STREET


## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Applicants, Kevin and Mike Halleran, are requesting Site Plan approval of their proposed townhome development to be located at the northwest and southwest corners of $179^{\text {th }}$ Street and Oak Park Avenue. This property is located in the Legacy District and is zoned NG Neighborhood General. The Hallerans have proposed the construction of four (4) multi-family townhome structures. There will be ten (10) 2bedroom units and seven (7) 3-bedroom units for a total of 17 multi-family units.

The proposed development meets all Code requirements for the designated zoning district, including site plan, massing and architectural details. It also meets the intent of the Landscape Ordinance. Therefore the proposal needs no variances from the Legacy Code and needs no special approvals. Per Section E. of the Legacy Code, the intent of the Code is to reward those who strive to meet its standards and regulations. Therefore, the length of review time and number of meetings required to obtain project approval is based upon the degree of conformance to this Code. Figure 1.F.1 of the Code recommends one (1) Public Meeting for projects meeting these criteria.

The Architect has worked cooperatively with Staff to create an attractive predominately masonry structure that meets the intent of the Neighborhood General zoning district. Appropriate screening has been provided along those boundaries with non-Legacy property and opportunity through cross access easements has been provided with adjacent property that is located in the Legacy District.

## SUMMARY OF OPEN ITEMS

| OPEN ITEM | SUGGESTED RESOLUTION |
| :--- | :--- |
| Areas of the access drive aisle are <br> proposed without curbs. | Improve with curb. |
| ight-in/Right-out cross section <br> indicates a striped median. | Improve with a 2" mountable median. |

## EXISTING SITE

The subject properties are located at the northwest and southwest corners of $179^{\text {th }}$ Street and Oak Park Avenue. The development property comprises two (2) parcels flanking both sides of $179^{\text {th }}$ Street at Oak Park Avenue; the south parcel (Parcel 1) is . 44 acres in size and the north parcel (Parcel 2) is . 45 acres in size. Both parcels are currently vacant.

The property is adjacent to multi-family residential units to the west and south. This is the site of the former Blue Fox restaurant.

The 100-year flood plain encumbers approximately $50 \%$ of Parcel 1 . Based on actual elevations the site is above the 100 year BFE. The Applicant will be filing a Letter of Map Amendment (LOMA) with FEMA prior to issuance of a building permit.

## PROPOSED USE \& COMPLIANCE WITH THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN



The Applicant proposes to construct four (4) single family attached housing structures. Two of the structures front Oak Park Avenue comprising four (4) units each and are located on the north and south side of $179^{\text {th }}$ Street. The remaining two structures front $179^{\text {th }}$ Street with one located on the south side of $179^{\text {th }}$ comprising four (4) units and the other located on the north side of $179^{\text {th }}$ street comprising five (5) units. There are two sizes of residential units proposed; one is $1,677 \mathrm{SF}$ in size (Unit A) and the other is 1,876 SF in size (Unit B). The structures are all 3-story buildings and are 37 feet in height.

The proposed development is consistent with the Legacy Plan adopted 2009, which establishes the vision for this area. These properties represent the Neighborhood General Character District which "consists of a variety of lot sizes and building scales, with multi-family dwelling as the primary use. Street frontages have steady street tree planting and can include lawns, and buildings form a continuous street wall set close to sidewalks."

## ZONING \& NEARBY LAND USES

The subject property is zoned Neighborhood General (NG) within the Legacy District. Private lot standards are listed below:

|  | CODE | PROPOSAL | CONFORMANCE |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Lot <br> width | $20^{\prime}-40^{\prime}$ | $20.7-29.4^{\prime}$ | Meets Code |
| Building <br> height | $2-3$ | 3 stories | Meets Code |
| Front yd <br> setback | $5-15^{\prime}$ | $5^{\prime}$ | Meets Code |
| Side yd <br> (interior) | $5^{\prime}$ Max | $3.34^{\prime}-5.00$ | Meets Code |
| Rear yd <br> setback | $5^{\prime}$ Min | $6.97^{\prime}-14.05$ | Meets Code |



## GENERAL SITE PLAN REVIEW

The type of public and private improvements required with the Corridor and Alley areas are defined in Table 2.D.2. The Table indicates the dedication and construction of an alley. However, the Code also provides for Staff to recommend the waiver of these improvements "in whole or in part based upon the unique nature of the subject site and/or block development."

Due to the limited potential for redevelopment to the south and the conceptual site plan proposed for the property to the north, it is Staff's recommendation not to dedicate right-ofway for an alley; however cross access should still be provided and protected for future use. The Applicant provided a 20' wide cross access easement per Staff's request.


## Parking

Vehicular parking must be provided at 1 per unit and .5 per unit for guest parking. Two (2) spaces have been provided within each of the attached garages and two (2) spaces are provided in front of each garage. Parking meets Code requirements for vehi cular parking.

Bicycle parking is required at a rate of 1 per unit; bike racks have been provided in the northwest and southwest corners of the parcels. In addition, space is provided with each of the two car garages for each unit.

## Fence

A 6' vinyl fence is provided as a screen between the subject properties and the non-Legacy residential properties to the west and south.

## LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE



The intent of the Village's Landscape Ordinance is to utilize landscape materials to enhance proposed development, soften the impact of parking areas, provide a buffer between land uses, and create an overall quality aesthetic for the site. The Applicant has worked cooperatively with Staff to meet the integrity of the Landscape Ordinance as well as the standards of the Legacy District.

The Landscape Architect has provide a variety of plant material as part of the foundation plantings including planting small landscape islands between the garages. Street trees will not be able to survive in the parkway along Parcel 2 (north of 179th Street) therefore the tree count has been incorporated within the interior landscape.

A bioswale is provided along the very north property line and the very south property line that will provide additional stormwater detention.

## Lighting

Per the Legacy Code decorative light fixtures have been provided along Oak Park Avenue. The required spacing per the Code is 60', however Public Works has recommended two (2) decorative lights on Oak Park Avenue on either side of 179 th Street. Staff has also recommended the same decorative lights be located on 179th Street. This issue remains under discussion with the Public Works department, however it will be resolved by the time of the meeting.


## ARCHITECTURE

Staff has worked closely with the Architect and is very pleased with the revisions made per Staff's comments. The architecture reflects a comprehensive design tied together through brick color choice yet provides individual distinction with unique entryways for each townhome. The trim color is also a unifying characteristic. The stone knee wall provides a enhanced quality of material. The rear elevation is also very attractive with unique window design in the garage doors and opportunities for private outdoor living space. The first floor is brick and the $2^{\text {nd }}$ and $3^{\text {rd }}$ floors are fiber cement lap siding. The brick is extended to both the sides of the structures on the first floor. A material board will need to be presented at the Plan Commission meeting.


## STAFF REVIEW: ENGINEERING/BUILDING/FIRE DEPARTMENT

The Applicant has satisfied the concerns identified by the various departments.

## RECOMMENDATION/RECOMMENDED MOTION

## If the Plan Commission wishes to take action, an appropriate wording of the motion would read:

"...make a motion to grant Site Plan Approval for the proposed property located at 6820-6830 179th Street.

## LIST OF REVIEWED PLANS

> Union Square - $6820-30179^{\text {th }}$ St.
> LIST OF SUBMITTED PLANS

| Submitted Sheet Name | Prepared By | Date On Sheet |  |
| :--- | :--- | :---: | :---: |
| 1 of 1 | Subdivision | JAS | $06 / 23 / 2015$ |
| 1 of 3 | Site Plan | JAS | $06 / 23 / 2015$ |
| 2 of 3 | Site Utility Plan | JAS | $06 / 23 / 2015$ |
| 3 of 3 | Site Grading Plan | JAS | $06 / 23 / 2015$ |
| 1 of 1 | Plat of Survey | JAS | $06 / 23 / 2015$ |
| 1 of 1 | Color Rendering | Image | $06 / 23 / 2015$ |
| A-4.0 | Front Elevations | Image | $06 / 18 / 2015$ |
| A-4.1 | Rear Elevations | Image | $05 / 26 / 2015$ |
| A-4.1 | Side Elevation | Image | $05 / 26 / 2015$ |
| A-1.0 | Unit A Floor Plan | Image | $05 / 26 / 2015$ |
| A-1.0 | Unit B Floor Plan | IRG | $05 / 26 / 2015$ |
| L-1 | Landscape Plan | IRG | $06 / 23 / 2015$ |
| L-2 | Tree Preservation and Removal Plan |  |  |


| JAS | Joseph A. Schudt \& Associates | IRG | Ives/Ryan Group, Inc. |
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| Image | Image Innovations, Inc. |  |  |






# Village Staff Review Response 

Item \#1 Provide a LOMA for the site
Correction Joseph Schudt's office will prepare the necessary documents for Letter of Map Amendment (LOMA) for submittal by the Village to adjust 100 year (BFE) flood plain.

Item \#2 Provide all interior side yards at maximum of 5'
Correction South building on Oak Park Avenue will be shifted South to maintain a side yard maximum of $5^{\prime}$. North unit will become $23^{\prime}$ and the remaining side yard of $3.34^{\prime}$. the North building will be shifted north to maintain a side yard of $5^{\prime}$ and the remaining south side yard will become 5.02'.

Adjusted Unit Count
(10) 2-Bedroom units $\quad(1,677 \mathrm{sf})$
(7) 3-Bedroom units $\quad(1,876 \mathrm{sf})$
(17) Total units

Item \#3 Provide $20^{\prime}$ cross access easement through the North and South parcels
Correction Provide a 20' easement on the North/South drive aisle on each parcel

Item \#4 Provide bike racks at 1 per unit
Correction Provide space for 8 bikes on Parcel \#1 in the southwest corner and on Parcel \#2 in the northwest corner.

Item \#5 Provide a fence along west property line of Parcel \#2
Correction Provide a $6^{\prime}-0^{\prime \prime}$ high vinyl fence ( $38^{\prime}$ ) along the west line of Parcel \#2 to a point $5^{\prime}$ south of the rear building line with 3 protection bollards at the end of the drive aisle

Item \#6 Refuse pick up
Correction Nuway Disposal request driveway pick up of garbage one day of the week with recyclable containers every other week. All container will be kept in the garage and placed at the curb the night before pick up day.

Item \#7 Review landscape islands at garages to eliminate and relocate trees as shown, Adjust plantings in landscape islands, 8 trees in Parcel \#1 and 9 trees in Parcel \#2

Correction Landscape Architect will re-work the landscape plan in compliance with the staff review and changes to the site plan. On Parcel \#2, I like relocation of the trees to the front yard setback because it helps focus on the individual units. I would also like to do that on Parcel \#1. We could then eliminate one tree on that parcel which falls in the new 20 ' easement on the south end. Please also remember (See Item \#10) we have 2 decorative streetlight fixtures at each building.

Item \#8 Address landscaping at the west end of Parcel \#1 and redistribution of trees.
Correction Review size of landscape islands on Parcel \#1 and adjust landscape material to insure survival. Ornamental grasses or ground cover were suggested. Taller materials works better to create visual separation and ensures your kids' toys stay on your driveway.

Item \#9 Provide lighting information including cut sheets for decorative building fixtures. Photometric plans provided to ensure 0.5 maximum foot candles at lot line. Consider decorative street lights along $179^{\text {th }}$ Street.

Correction We have provided lighting cuts for decorative building fixtures. Photometrics are not available for lights at 100 watts or below. I will provide letters from distributors and our Mechanical Engineer. Kevin Workowski from Public Works suggested 2 decorative pole fixtures at each building along Oak Park Avenue and one or two aluminum pole fixtures matching those on the South side of $179^{\text {th }}$ Street and tied into that electrical system.

Item \#10 Provide color rendering
Correction Color rendering attached to submittal and the material board will be available at the hearing

| Item \#10A | Information on HVAC units |
| :--- | :--- |
| Correction | The HVAC condensers will be ground-mounted on the islands between the | garage doors (rear of the buildings)

Item \#11 Building Department comments
Correction All Building Department items will be addressed in the construction documents in conformance with current relevant codes, including firewall locations and terminations, gas curbs, and sound transmission.

Item \#12 Fire Department comments
Correction Both engineering and architectural will administer to 2006 IBC, 2006 IFC, 2002 National Fire Alarm Code, 2002 NFPA 101-Life Safety Code, 903.3.1.1 of the IBC, Section 9.7.1 of the 20A 101. No 1 will be addressed in the architectural construction documents, No. $2 \& 3$ will be addressed in the engineering construction documents. Automatic sprinkler system will be designed by the installing contractor. The Fire Department already reviewed his suggested systems for separation on the fire system and domestic water and how the BBoxes will be painted.

## Item \#13 Engineering comments

Correction Pavement ,sidewalks, watermain, storm and sanitary sewer material and infrastructure will be provided during final engineering.

A street bond of $\$ 5,000$ will be provided for each street cut across 179 th.
An MWRD application will be prepared at final engineering submittal.
Single access has been discussed with the Fire Department. Autoturn analysis for parking and driveway layout is provided herewith.

Domestic water and sprinkler services are revised with B-boxes located .at the tap off of the trunk line. Domestic painted blue and fire sprinkler red

Water service for the furthest townhome unit from the main line has been addressed by extending the main so that the hydrant is connected at the end of the main.

Very truly yours

Martin S. Francis


BUILDING PLAN VIEW $1 / 8=1-0$













