

349 Sutter Street San Francisco California 94108

October 21, 2016

Randy Tsuda Community Development Director City of Mountain View 500 Castro Street Mountain View, CA 94039

Re: Gatekeeper Application 500 and 550 Ellis Mountain View, CA

Dear Mr. Tsuda,

Please accept this letter as our Gatekeeper application for review and consideration of a zoning modification regarding the above referenced Project.

The Project site consists of two existing parcels located at 500 and 550 Ellis Street. Portola Land Company, in conjunction with DiNapoli Capital Partners and Vance Brown Builders, is interested in redeveloping the site. Due to the site's proximity to the light rail station, we feel the site is ideally suited for a mixed-use development of hotel and residential uses.

The proposed development shows a signature 126-room hotel occupying the corner of the combined lot, with a parking entrance on National Avenue. The ground floor of the hotel would include active uses, such as a restaurant and coffee house with both indoor and outdoor seating, which would encourage foot traffic from the neighborhood. The hotel's parking would be above grade, with a façade treatment to make it feel like an integral part of the building design. The residential lobby would be on Ellis Street, with a separate parking entrance to a below-grade garage. Between the two uses on the ground floor would be a landscaped plaza available for public uses.

Redevelopment of this site offers significant public benefit. The combined development will generate significant bed tax revenue for the city. In addition, the residential use will provide much needed housing in an area where residents can utilize non-vehicular means of getting to and from their workplaces. As part of this development, we would also make a contribution toward improving the bike and pedestrian path of travel to and from the nearby light rail station.

The project team appreciates your review and positive consideration of this request and look forward to working with the City of Mountain View and its staff towards designing and redeveloping this site.

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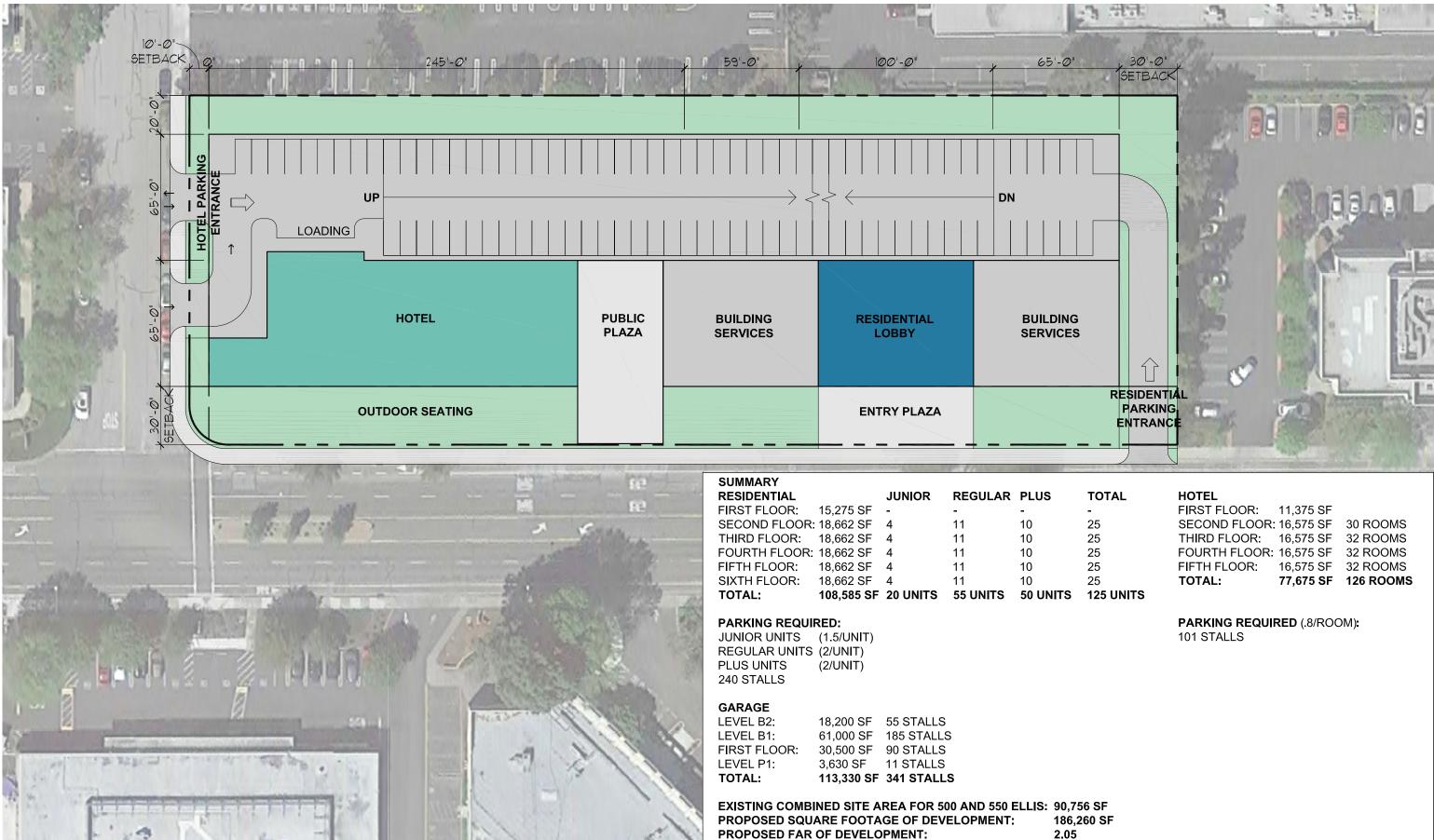


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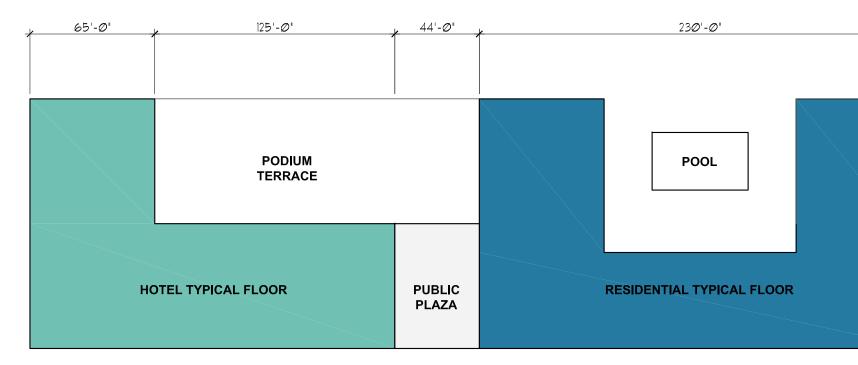


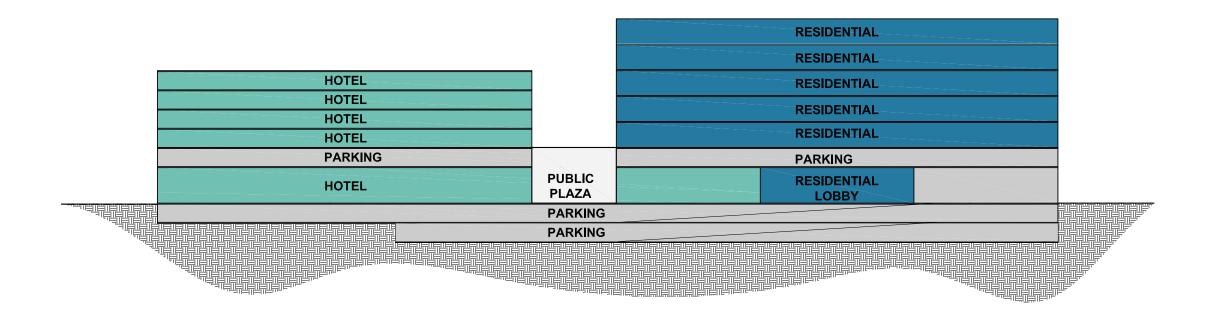
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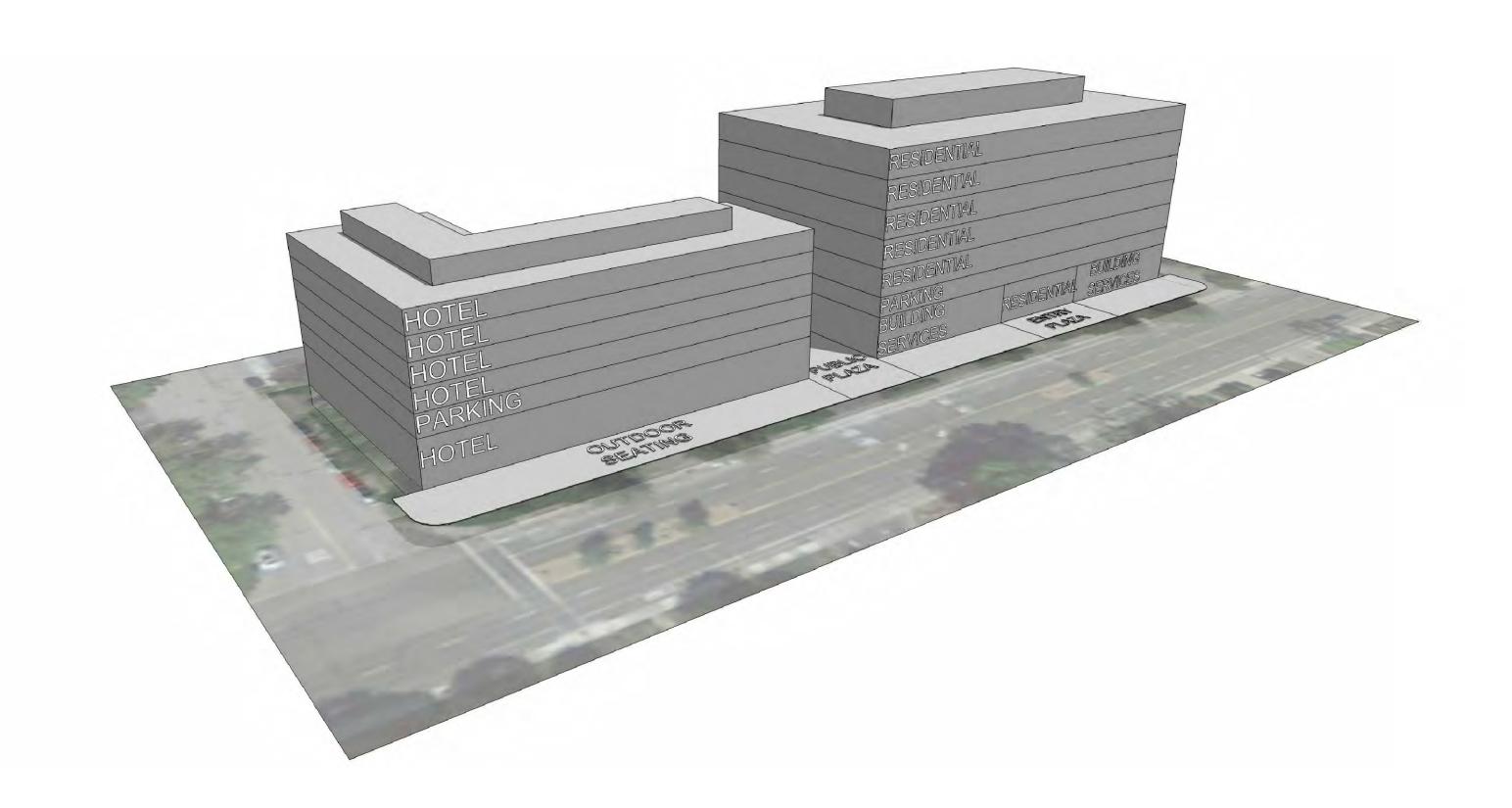
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-	FIRST FLOOR:	11,375 SF	
25	SECOND FLOOR:	16,575 SF	30 ROOMS
25	THIRD FLOOR:	16,575 SF	32 ROOMS
25	FOURTH FLOOR:	16,575 SF	32 ROOMS
25	FIFTH FLOOR:	16,575 SF	32 ROOMS
25	TOTAL:	77,675 SF	126 ROOMS
125 UNITS			















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