

1201-05 SAN PABLO AVENUE #ZP2021-0070 APPEAL



Zoning Map



Legend

AC Transit Bus Route

C-W: West Berkeley Commercial District MU-LI: Mixed Use-Light Industrial District

R-2: Restricted Two-Family Residential District



Approved by ZAB April 28, 2022

- Construct 6-story, mixed-use building on vacant lot:
 - 66 units (including 5 Very Low Income units)
 - 1,680 square feet commercial
 - 17 to 28 parking spaces*, groundfloor garage
 - *Final parking amount determined by applicant at building permit phase, based on financial feasibility.



ZAB Added COAs:

- Screening Trees between the project and eastern neighbors
- Bike Boulevard on Kains Avenue,
 between Harrison and Gilman
- Traffic Study for signal light at San Pablo and Harrison
- Parking Garage Exit facilitation of left turns only onto Harrison



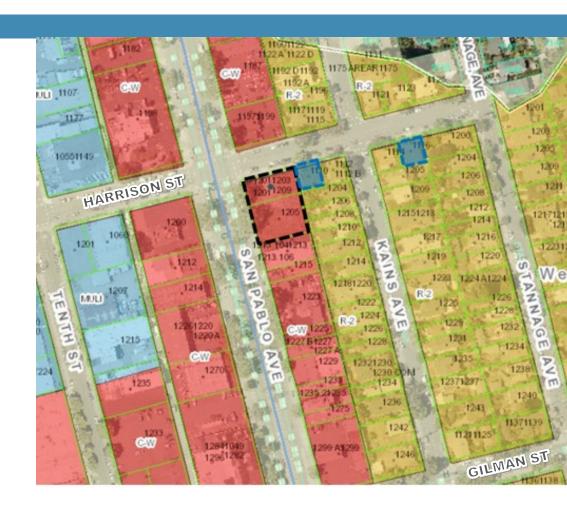
Relocate garage driveway from Harrison Street to San Pablo Avenue

- CalTrans would consider approval based on traffic analysis results
- Transportation Division could support, but City can't guarantee CalTrans approval
- Plans for multi-modal transportation on San Pablo could be affected



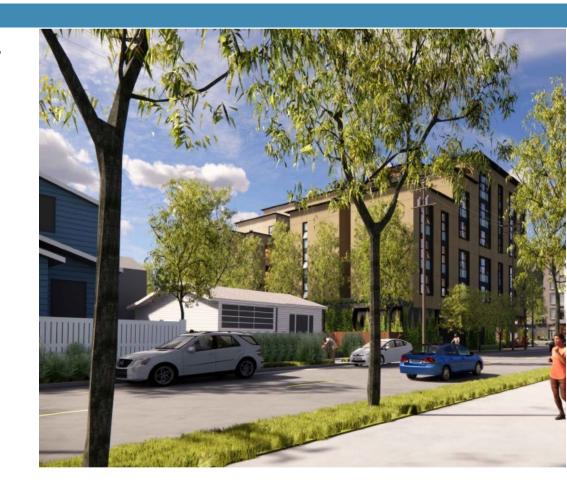
Update traffic study and add traffic mitigation measures

- VMT screening memo no further traffic analysis required
- ZAB added COAs:
 - further traffic analysis for signal
 - bike boulevard on Kains
 - direct garage exiting away from neighborhood



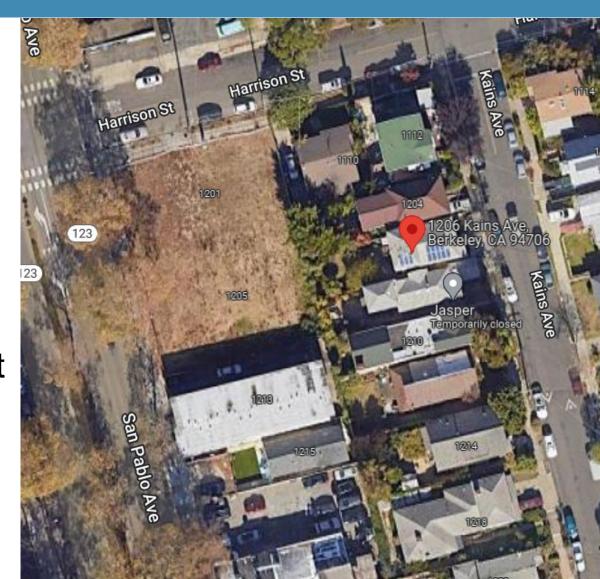
Compensate 1110 Harrison for loss of light, privacy, property damage and disruption from construction

- No objective standards for loss of light or privacy
- Standard COAs protect against damage and disruption from construction



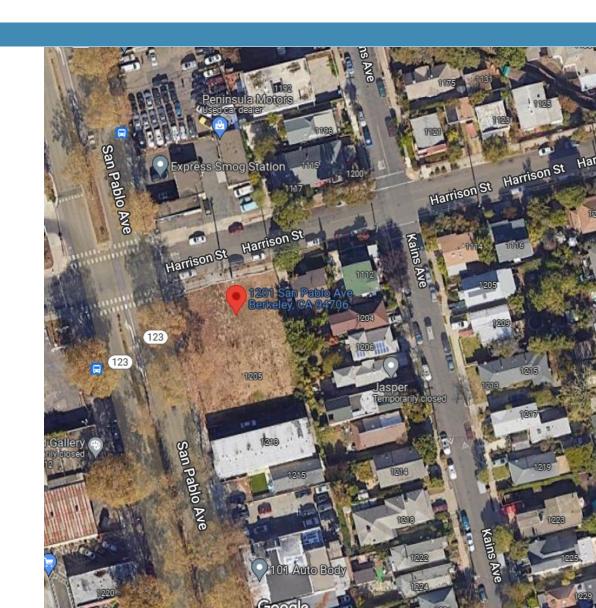
Compensate 1206 Kains for loss of solar generation

- No objective standards for shading of solar panels
- California Solar Rights Act solar easement agreements
- City cannot require a solar easement without just compensation



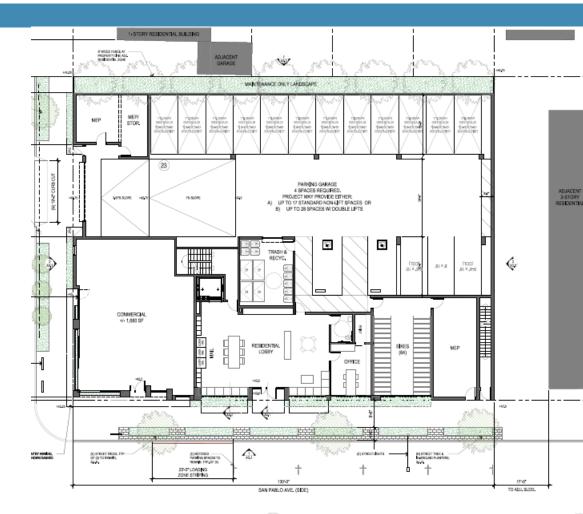
Residential Preferential Parking (RPP) for the neighborhood

- Active Council referral to expand RPP West Berkeley
- Newly constructed units are not eligible for RPP permits



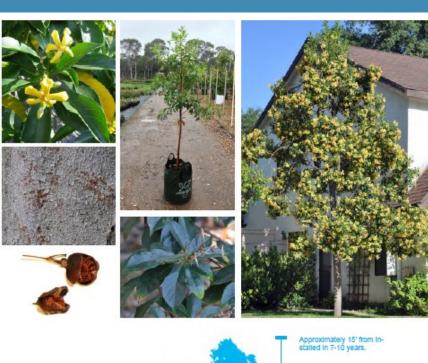
Require 28 parking spaces in the project

- Required: 4 minimum / 37 maximum spaces
- Provided: 17 to 28 spaces
- City cannot mandate more parking and violate the parking standard



Screening trees at the east property line - 48-inch box, not 24-inch box

- COA requires 24-inch box
- Project landscape architect:
 - younger trees recommended
 - 36-inch box largest recommended





Conclusion

Project Summary:

- 6-story, mixed-use building
 - □ 66 units (5 Very Low Income units)
 - □ 1,680 s.f. commercial,
 - □ 17 to 28 parking garage

City Council Action:

- Continue public hearing
- Reverse, affirm, or modify ZAB approval
- Remand to ZAB



