

#### Report to **Development Permit Panel**

To:

**Development Permit Panel** 

Date:

May 12, 2004

From:

Raul Allueva

File:

DP 04-010738

Director of Development

Re:

Application by William Rhone for a Development Permit at 7400 Heather Street

#### Staff Recommendation

That a Development Permit be issued that would:

- 1. Permit the construction of eight (8) three-storey townhouses at 7400 Heather Street at the corner of General Currie Road on a site zoned Comprehensive Development District (CD/120); and
- 2. Vary the provisions of the Zoning and Development Bylaw No. 5300 to:
  - a) Reduce the number of visitor parking spaces from two (2) spaces to one (1) space;
  - b) To increase the maximum permitted encroachment of balcony and porch projections into the required setback from General Currie Road from 1 m to 2.1 m.

Director of Development

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#### **Staff Report**

#### Origin

William Rhone has applied to the City of Richmond for permission to develop eight (8) three-storey residential townhouses at 7400 Heather Street on a site zoned Comprehensive Development District (CD/120).

A copy of the development application filed with the Urban Development Division is appended to this report.

#### **Development Information**

Information on the project including a comparison of the proposed development with the relevant Bylaw requirements is provided in **Attachment 1**.

#### **Background**

The subject site is located on the corner of Heather Street and General Currie Road. The applicant proposes a small multiple-family development in the McLennan South Sub-Area of the City Centre area. The proposed development consists of four (4) three-storey buildings; two (2) containing three (3) units each, and two (2) stand alone units.

Development surrounding the subject site is as follows:

- To the north, across a new lane, are three-storey townhouses;
- To the east, a rezoning application for the continuation of this project is being considered (RZ 03-251948). There are existing single-family homes beyond;
- To the west, across Heather Street, a rezoning application is being considered to allow three-storey townhouses; and
- To the south and southwest, across General Currie Road, are existing single-family homes.

#### **Rezoning and Public Hearing Results**

The subject site went to Public Hearing on December 15, 2003 (RZ 03-242687). There are no outstanding issues identified at the Rezoning stage or Public Hearing that require follow-up at the Development Permit stage.

#### **Staff Comments**

The proposed revised scheme attached to this report has satisfactorily addressed all the significant urban design issues and other staff comments identified as part of the review of the subject Development Permit application. In addition, it complies with the intent of the applicable sections of the Official Community Plan (OCP) and is generally in compliance with the Comprehensive Development District (CD/120) Schedule except for the zoning variances noted below.

#### Zoning Compliance/Variances (staff comments in bold)

The applicant requests the following variances to the Comprehensive Development District (CD/120) District Schedule of the Zoning and Development Bylaw No. 5300:

1) To vary the provision of Section 291.120.6 (Minimum Setbacks) to increase the maximum permitted encroachment of balcony and porch projections into the required setback from General Currie Road from 1 m to 2.1 m;

(Staff support the proposed variance as it improves the General Currie Road streetscape by allowing the building faces to be staggered and articulated; improves the liveability of the units (private outdoor space located on the same level as the main living areas and a comfortably deep covered porch entrance at grade); and is supported by the McLennan South Sub-Area Development Permit Guidelines, which specify that porches may project 2.5 m into the front setback).

2) To vary the provision of Section 291.120.9 (Off-Street Parking) to reduce the minimum required number of visitor parking spaces from two (2) to one (1).

(Staff support the proposed variance to reduce the visitor parking to one (1) space, on the basis that surplus residential parking being provided (12 spaces required, 16 spaces provided). This relaxation will also free up more of the site for landscaping and is consistent with past City practice where developers have provided resident parking in excess of the bylaw. This variance was noted at the rezoning stage and did not create any concerns at the Public Hearing).

#### **Advisory Design Panel Comments**

The Advisory Design Panel was supportive of the proposed development. A copy of the Advisory Design Panel Minutes from March 17, 2004 is attached for reference (**Attachment 2**).

#### **Analysis**

Criteria and policies for the issuance of Development Permits appear in Schedule 1 and 2 of Bylaw 7100, the Official Community Plan:

- 2.10D McLennan South Sub-Area
- 9.2 General Development Permit Guidelines
- 9.3 Multiple-Family Residential Development Permit Guidelines (Townhouses)

The proposed form and character of the development fits well with the existing context. The proposed design has been reviewed against the existing policies in various key areas, as described below:

#### Conditions of Adjacency:

- A separate Rezoning application by the same architect and owner is under consideration for the adjacent lot to the east (RZ 03-251948 at 9251 General Currie Road) to continue this project eastward. Both projects are being planned and designed in a coordinated fashion. The proposed development is intended to be connected to this development through a cross-access agreement, shared garbage and recycling area and shared driveway (the shared garbage and recycling area will free up more of the adjacent site for landscaping and ease collection);
- Adjacency to existing single-family homes further east (which also have future potential for townhouse development) will be considered for the interim at that time; and
- The proposed, height, siting and orientation of the buildings respect the massing of the three-storey townhouse developments to the north across the lane and west across Heather Street.

#### Site Planning and Urban Design:

- The siting of the building and the relationship between the indoor spaces and the outdoor open space areas allow for adequate surveillance to meet safety and crime prevention objectives; and
- The recycling is well screened, located off of the lane and is not visible from Heather Street.

#### Architectural Form and Character:

- The building form is simple but well articulated; and
- The proposed building materials (hardiplank horizontal siding, board and batten stained wood siding, asphalt shingles and wood trim for the buildings) are consistent with the McLennan South Sub-Area Guidelines.

#### Landscape Design:

- The site was pre-loaded and existing trees removed. There were no concerns raised concerning tree retention during the rezoning, Public Hearing or Development Permit processes. Trees are being replaced at a 2:1 ratio and are incorporated into the landscape design. In addition, street trees are being planted along both street frontages (Heather Street and General Currie Road) as part of the rezoning conditions of approval;
- The thoughtful landscape design includes special paving treatment with a variety of patterning and colour as well as substantial planting and trees to provide a highly liveable environment at this neighbourhood intersection; and
- The use of pavers in pedestrian areas improves permeability of the site.

#### General:

• The project includes a unit (unit 8) which has been designed to include an accessible parking space, future conversion and future elevator installation to allow accessibility.

#### **Conclusions**

Staff support this application. The applicant has presented a development that fits well into the existing context and generally complies with the guidelines in the Official Community Plan (OCP).

Sara Badyal, M.Arch.

Planner 1

(Local 4282)

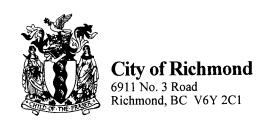
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The following conditions are required to be met prior to forwarding this application to Council for approval:

• Adoption of the rezoning (RZ 03- 242687);

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- Payment of cash in-lieu of on-site indoor amenity space in the amount of \$8,000.00;
- Receipt of a Letter-of-Credit for landscaping in the amount of \$25,602 (based on total floor area of 12,801 ft²);
   and
- Registration of a cross-access agreement for the recycling area on the subject site for the use of the adjacent site at 9251 General Currie Road until such time as the lane is extended to the east.



### Development Permit Application Data Sheet Development Applications Department

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Address:	7400 Heather Street				
Planning Area:	City Centre Area, McLennan South Sub-Area				
Zoning:	Compreh	ensive Development Dis	trict (CD/120)		
Site Area (sq.m):	Gross:	1,765.8 m <sup>2</sup>	Net:	1,757 m <sup>2</sup> after corner cut dedication	
Floor Area (sq.m):			Net:	1,189 m <sup>2</sup>	
Number of Units:	Existing:	1 single family home	Proposed:	8 townhouse units	

	Min. or Max.	Proposed
Floor Area Ratio:	Max. 0.7	0.68
Lot Coverage – Building:	Max. 45%	32%
Density (units/acre)	Max. 25	19
Density (units/hectare)	Max. 62	46
Setback –Heather St: (west)	Min. 4.5 m	6 m
Setback – General Currie Rd: (south)*	Min. 6 m	6 m*
Setback – Public Lane: (north)	Min. 1.2 m	1.2 m
Setback – Rear Yard: (east)	Min. 1.2 m	2 m
Setback – Landscape Structures	Min. 2 m	2 m
Building Separation	Min 1.2 m	2.6 m
Height (m):	Max. 12 m	10.36 m
Lot Size	Max. 2,020 m <sup>2</sup>	1,760 m <sup>2</sup>
Off-street Parking Spaces – Regular/Visitor	12 and 2	16 and 1*
Off-street Parking Spaces – Handicapped:	1	1
Off-street Parking Spaces – Total:	14	17
Amenity Space – Indoor:	Min. 70 m <sup>2</sup>	cash in lieu
Amenity Space – Outdoor (Min. 6 m²/unit):	Min. 48 m <sup>2</sup>	over 100 m <sup>2</sup>

Variance Requested:

<sup>\*</sup> Variances have been requested to: increase the maximum permitted encroachment of balcony and porch projections into the required setback from General Currie Road from 1.0 m to 2.1 m; and reduce the number of visitor parking spaces from 2 spaces to 1 space (see attached Plan #1).

#### MINUTES FROM THE DESIGN PANEL MEETING

Wednesday, March 17<sup>th</sup>, 2004 – 4:00 p.m.

Rm. 1.003

#### **RICHMOND CITY HALL**

Attendance:

Members:

Mr. Sheldon Chandler - Chair

Ms. Olga Ilich Mr. David Lee

Mr. Jim Carter-Huffman

Mr. Al Tanzer Ms. Alina Maness

Staff:

Ms. Cecilia Achiam

Ms. Sara Badyal

Recording

Secretary:

Desiree Wong

Representatives:

DP 04-010738

William Rhone, Architect

David Rose, Landscape Architect

DP 03-253222

Patrick Cotter, Architect

RZ 04-267103 Rafii Architects

The meeting was called to order at 4:09 p.m.

Prior to the meeting, Mr. Raul Allueva, Director, Development introduced himself to Panel members.

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the minutes of the Advisory Design Panel meeting held on Wednesday, March 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2004 be adopted.

**CARRIED** 

#### Minutes of Design Panel Meeting Wednesday, March 17<sup>th</sup>, 2004 Meeting Room 1.003, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor, Richmond City Hall

ITEM MINUTE SUBJECT

#### 2. 2004-09

#### **Multifamily-Residential**

William R.Rhone, Architect. 7400 Heather Street (Formal) DP 04-010738

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Ms. Badyal, Planner, briefly reviewed this multifamily-residential project at 7400 Heather Street (a copy of her review is attached as Schedule 1 and forms a part of these minutes). She noted her concerns about transition issues.

With the aid of presentation material and a model, Mr. William Rhone, Architect, advised that:

- this was a 8 unit town-house complex;
- vehicular access would be provided through a new lane which will eventually be connected to a new townhouse development to the east;
- the use of bargeboards, window trim, and projecting bay windows would give the units a "craftsman style" look;
- boulevards and sidewalk were pulled back from the street edge and this new layout would provide space to plant more trees;
- transom windows would be installed in garage doors along the internal drive aisle;
- unit #8 could be made universally accessible with the installation of an elevator; and
- there was no formal play area, however open areas would provide opportunities for informal play with a child seating area, lawn, benches and a pergola with trellis to partially screen the internal driveway.

David Rose, Landscape architect advised that:

- more street trees would be planted on the boulevard;
- amenity space would be screened from the road with hedges;
- the driveway would be treated with stamped asphalt with banded edges;
- recycling would be placed between units 6 &7 and garbage would be picked up outside each garage door; and
- frontages would be subdivided by low fencing.

The panel then proffered the following comments about the project that:

- the project was well designed:
- they were pleased that one unit would be adapted for universal accessibility;
- they liked the idea of the coach houses at the back of the site;

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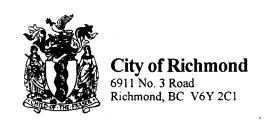
- the applicant should look into the possibility of converting other units for accessibility;
- they were concerned about the impact of the new lane on the project to the north;
- they would prefer pavers on the center drive aisle and suggested the addition of color in keeping with the craftsman style;;
- they advised that there was an opportunity to incorporate the corner area into the outdoor amenity area and suggested that the proposed street trees should be placed closer together;
- they suggested that a play space could be developed in the area slated for recycling or if this were not possible, the proposed play area could be better developed or combined with an area in the open green space and made more user friendly;
- there are opportunities for height and canopy throughout. Canopy softens the hard surfaces;
- the landscape could be extended near to the recycling area to soften that area up; and
- they liked the idea of shrubs next to the sidewalks;

In summary, Chair stated that:

- he agreed with Panel's comments;
- he encouraged the applicant to provide an elevator shaft and to use universal standards in the proposed convertible unit;
- he liked the design and form of the project and noted that the architect was very consistent in the amount of attention paid to detail;
- he suggested the applicant incorporate the antique style lighting fixtures proposed;
- he stated that the interconnection of drive aisle, the new lane and the project to the north may not be negative in terms of traffic; and
- he suggested that the applicant revisit the play area, provide some play furniture and expand it if necessary.

The applicant thanked the panel for their suggestions and advised that he will revisit the children's play area as well as provide fencing for safety purposes.

The decision of the Panel, 5-1, was that the project should move forward.



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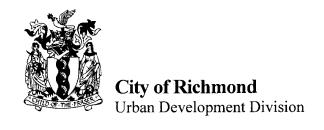
### Development Permit Application Development Applications Department

(604) 276-4000 Fax (604) 276-4052

Please submit this completed form to the Zoning counter located at City Hall. All materials submitted to the City for a *Development Permit Application* become public property, and therefore, available for public inquiry.

Please refer to the attached forms for details on application attachments and non-refundable application fees.

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Applicant: WILLAM Z.	PHONE
Correspondence/Calls to be directed to:	
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Address: 2178 PARTLETT	AVE_
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#### **Development Permit**

No. DP 04-010738

To the Holder:

WILLIAM RHONE

Property Address:

7400 HEATHER STREET

Address:

C/O 2178 BARTLETT AVENUE

VICTORIA, BC V8S 2P9

- 1. This Development Permit is issued subject to compliance with all of the Bylaws of the City applicable thereto, except as specifically varied or supplemented by this Permit.
- 2. This Development Permit applies to and only to those lands shown cross-hatched on the attached Schedule "A" and any and all buildings, structures and other development thereon.
- 3. The "Richmond Zoning and Development Bylaw No. 5300" is hereby varied or supplemented as follows:
  - a) The dimension and siting of buildings and structures on the land shall be generally in accordance with Plans #1 and 2a attached hereto.
  - b) The siting and design of off-street parking and loading facilities shall be generally in accordance with Plans #1 and 2a attached hereto.
  - c) Landscaping and screening shall be provided around the different uses generally in accordance with the standards shown on Plans #2a and 2b attached hereto.
  - d) Roads and parking areas shall be paved in accordance with the standards shown on Plans #1 and 2a attached hereto.
  - e) Sanitary sewers, water, drainage, highways, street lighting, underground wiring, and sidewalks, shall be provided as required.
  - f) Subject to Section 692 of the Local Government Act, R.S.B.C., the building shall be constructed generally in accordance with Plans #3 to #6 attached hereto.
- 4. As a condition of the issuance of this Permit, Council is holding the security set out below to ensure that development is carried out in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Permit. Should any interest be earned upon the security, it shall accrue to the Holder if the security is returned. The condition of the posting of the security is that should the Holder fail to carry out the development hereby authorized, according to the terms and conditions of this Permit within the time provided, the City may use the security to carry out the work by its servants, agents or contractors, and any surplus shall be paid over to the Holder, or should the Holder carry out the development permitted by this permit within the time set out herein, the security shall be returned to the Holder. The City may retain the security for up to one year after inspection of the completed landscaping in order to ensure that plant material has survived.

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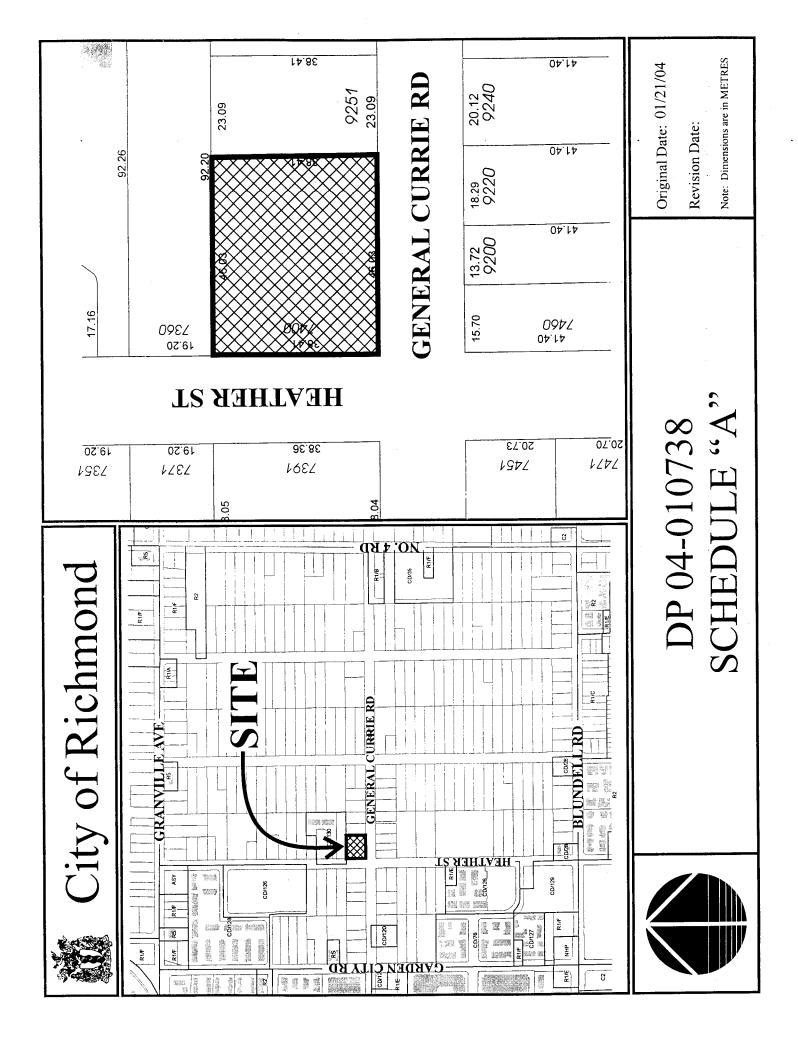
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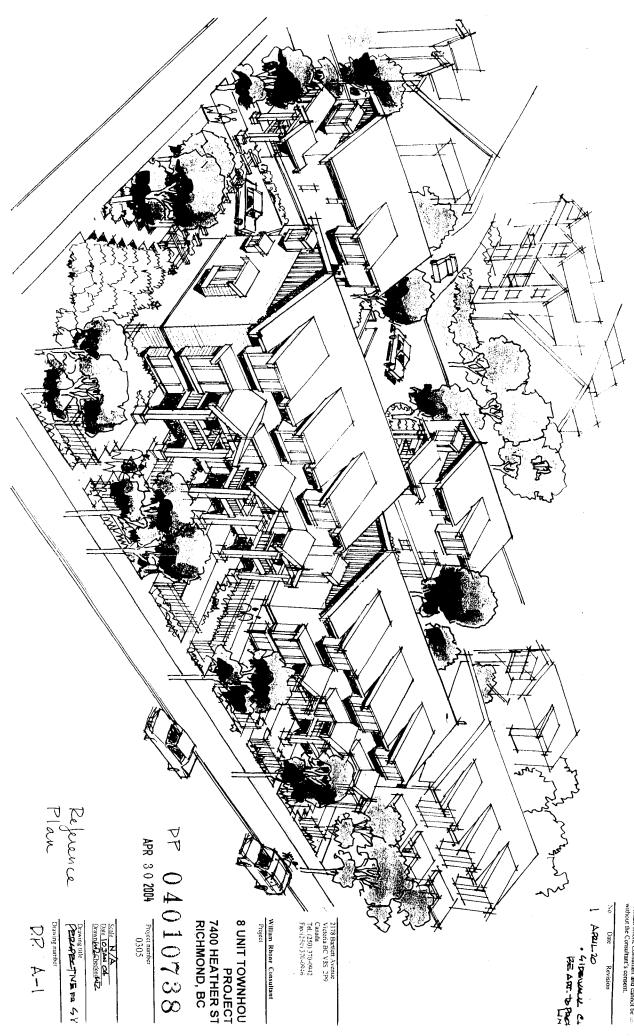
An Irrevocable Letter of Credit in the amount of \$8,000.

- 5. The land described herein shall be developed generally in accordance with the terms and conditions and provisions of this Permit and any plans and specifications attached to this Permit which shall form a part hereof.
- 6. If the Holder does not commence the construction permitted by this Permit within 24 months of the date of this Permit, this Permit shall lapse and the security shall be returned in full.

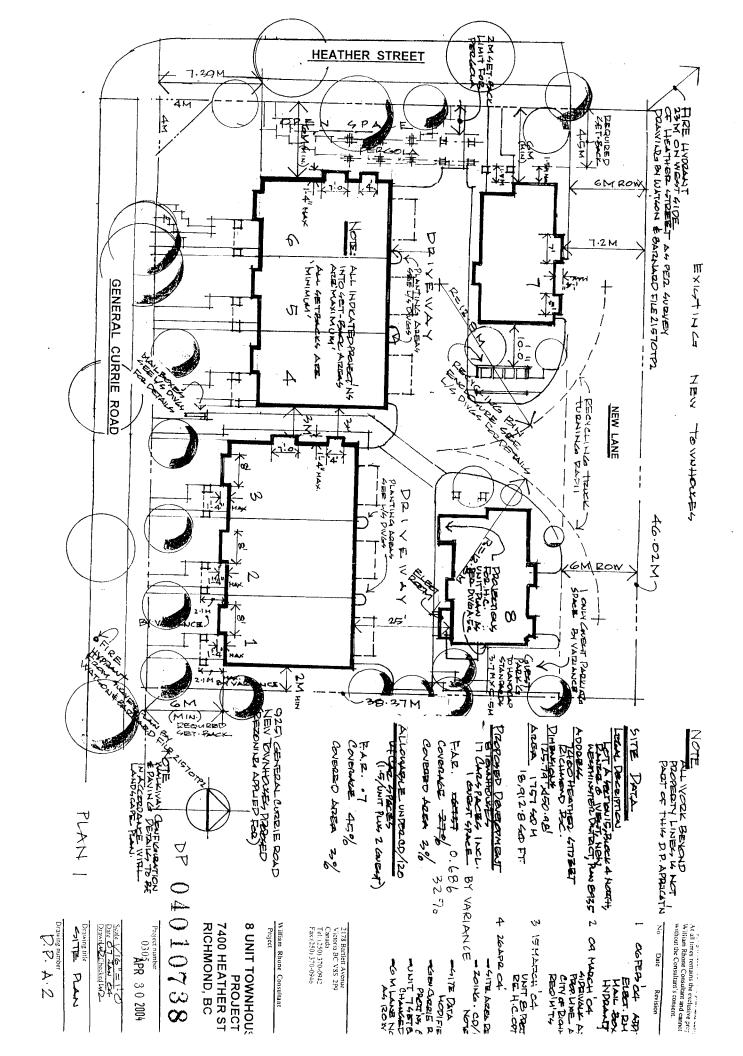
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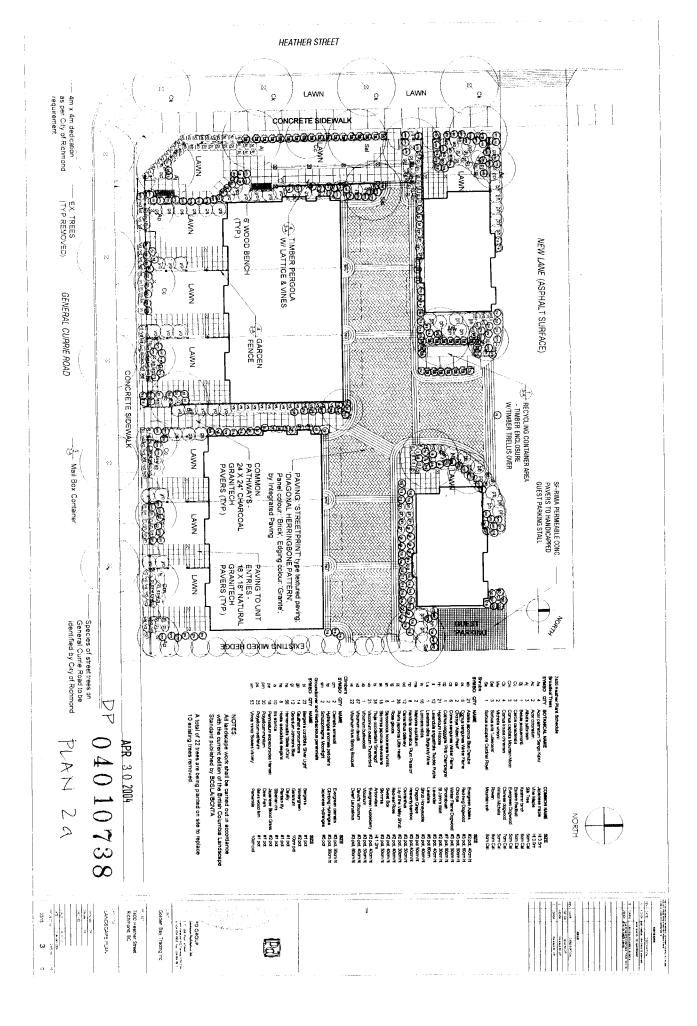
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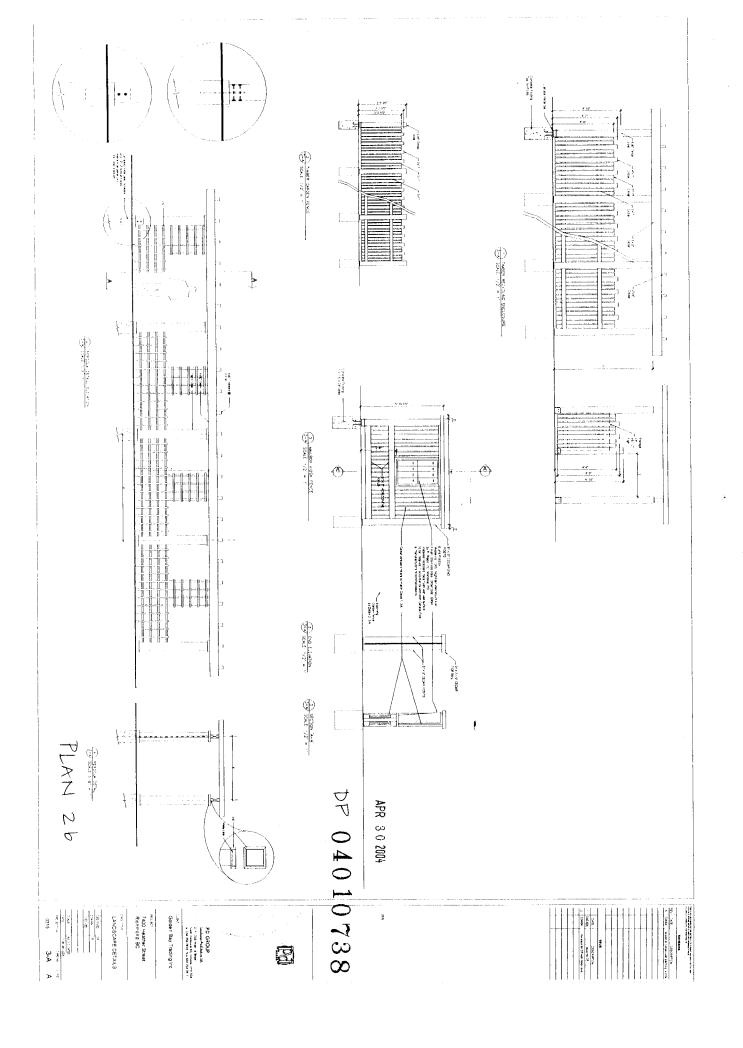




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8 UNIT TOWNHOUS PROJECT

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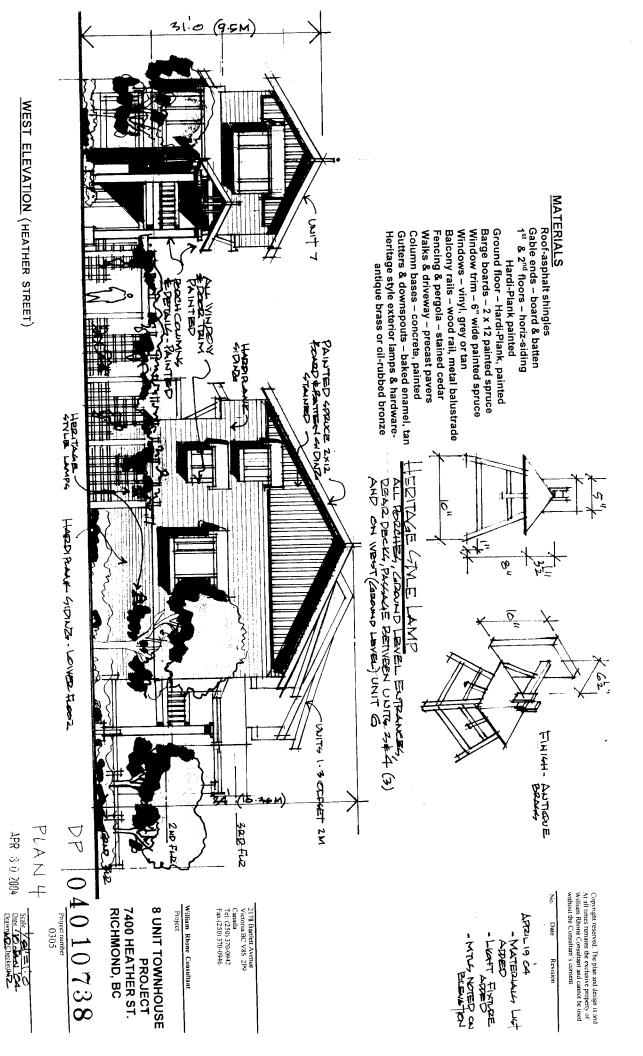
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Gable ends – board & batten

1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> floors – horiz-siding

Barge boards – 2 x 12 painted spruce Window trim – 6" wide painted spruce Ground floor – Hardi-Plank, painted Hardi-Plank painted

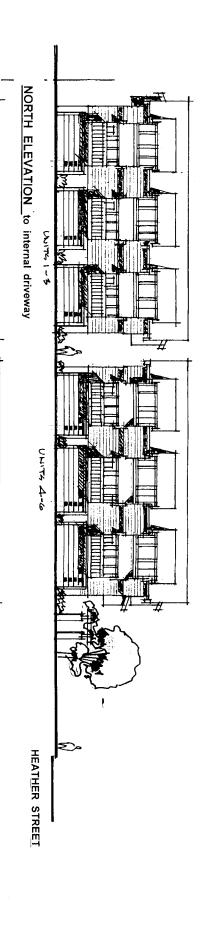
Column bases – concrete, painted Gutters & downspouts – baked enamel, tan Heritage style exterior lamps & hardware-Walks & driveway – precast pavers Fencing & pergola - stained cedar Balcony rails - wood rail, metal balustrade Windows - vinyl, grey or tan antique brass or oil-rubbed bronze

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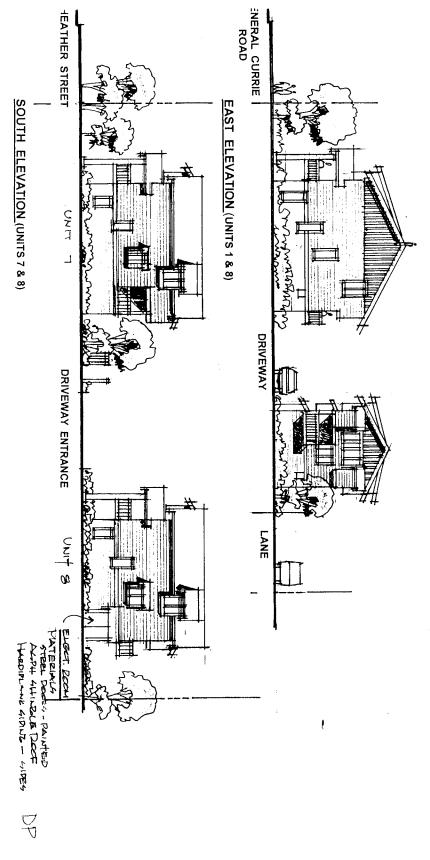
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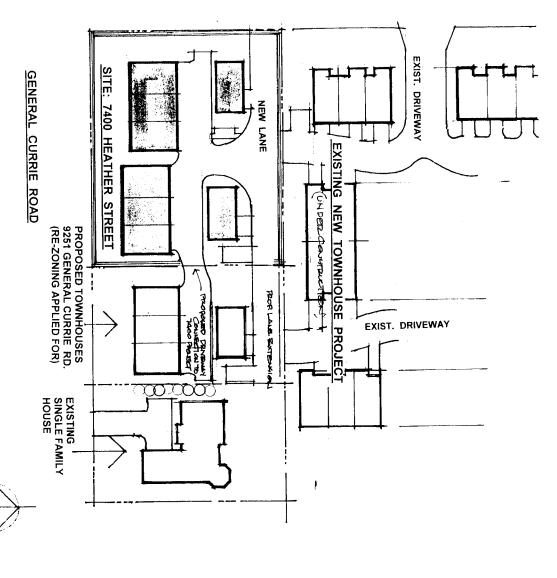
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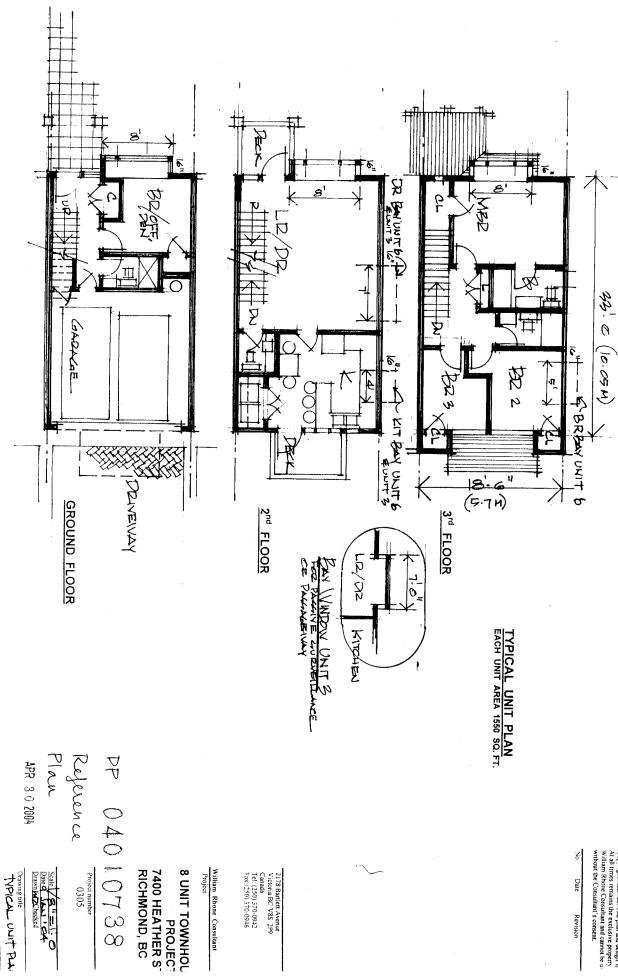
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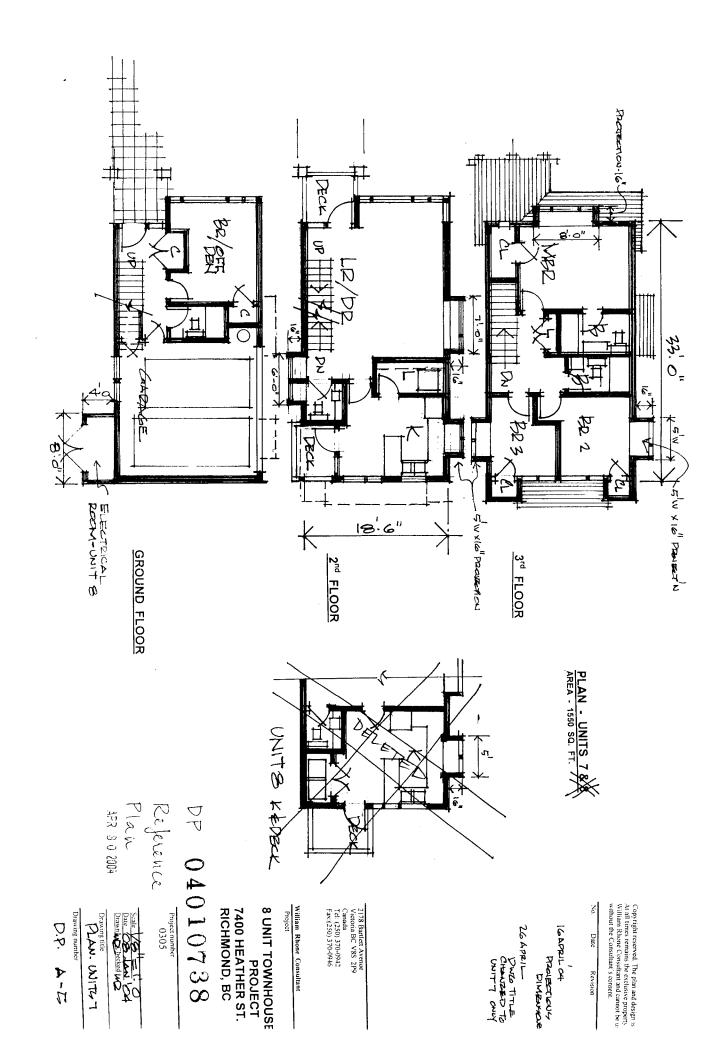
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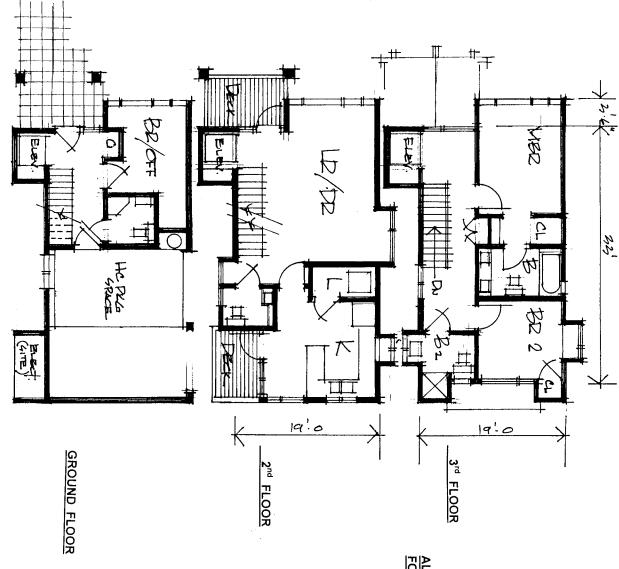
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# ALTERNATE PLAN FOR UNIT 8 FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

PRIVATE ELEVATOR TO ALL FLOORS
H.C. CLEARANCES ALL BATHROOMS
ALL DOORS 3' – 0 WIDE
MIN. CORRIDOR 3' – 6 WIDE
H.C. PARKING SPACE, SEP. O.H. DOOR

7400 HEATHER ST. RICHMOND, BC 8 UNIT TOWNHOUS **PROJECT** 

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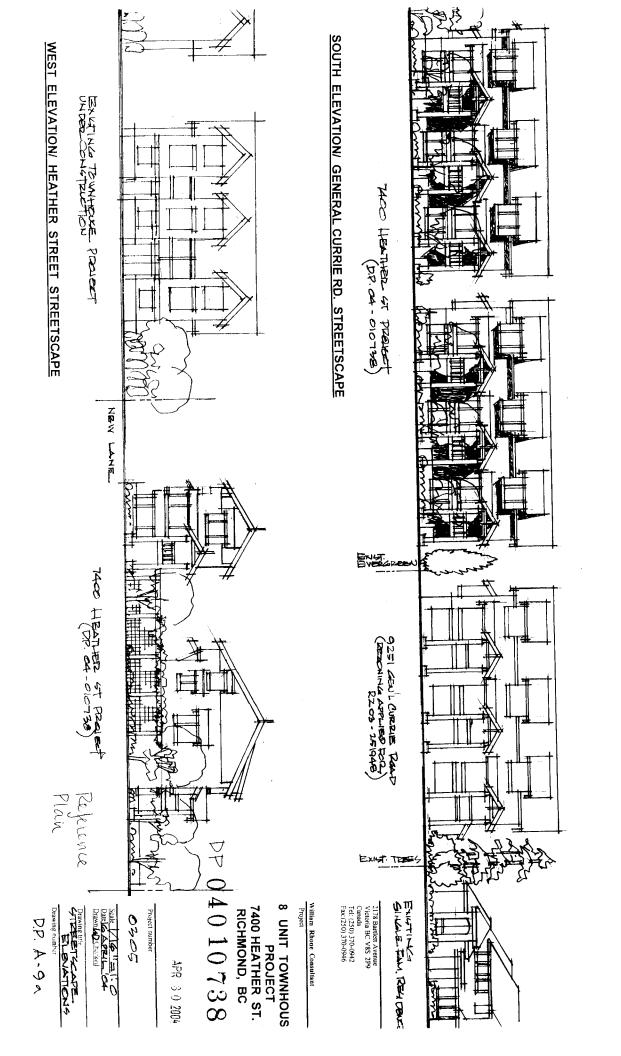
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