

CITY OF TEMPE DEVELOPMENT REVIEW COMMISSION

Meeting Date: 08/11/2020

Agenda Item: 7

ACTION: Request a Use Permit to allow a second-story addition for a single-family residence for **MERCHANT**

ADDITION, located at 101 E Geneva Drive. The Applicant Clay Sundell. (PL200145)

FISCAL IMPACT: N/A

RECOMMENDATION: Staff – Approval, subject to conditions

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: MERCHANT ADDITION (PL200145) is a proposed single-family second-story addition on Lot 225 of the NU-VISTA 4 Lots 196-258 subdivision, located on the south side of East Geneva Drive in the R1-6, Single-Family Residential District. The request includes the following:

ZUP200026 Use Permit to allow a second story addition for a single-family residence.



Property Owner Marie Lopiano Merchant Applicant Clay Sundell Zoning District(s) R1-6 Site Area 8.093 s.f. 3 w/ Loft **Total Bedrooms Total Bathrooms** 2 **Building Area** 2,136 s.f. **New Addition** 1.026 s.f.

Lot Coverage 39% (45% max. required)
Building Height 21'-3" (30'-0" maximum allowed)

Building Setbacks 27'-0" front, 22'-0" existing west side, 7'-0" existing

east side, (20'-0",10'-0",5'-0"min. required)

Vehicle Parking 2 spaces (2 min. required)

ATTACHMENTS: Development Project File

STAFF CONTACT(S): Robbie Aaron, (480) 350-8096

Department Director: Chad Weaver, Community Development Director

Legal review by: N/A

Prepared by: Robbie Aaron, Planner II

Reviewed by: Steve Abrahamson, Principal Planner

COMMENTS

The existing residence includes a master bedroom with an ensuite bathroom and closet, two additional bedrooms, two bathrooms, a kitchen, storage areas, a laundry room, a living room, and a great room. The second story addition will consist of a loft and closet.

PUBLIC INPUT

To date staff has received one public comment in opposition to the proposed second-story addition.

USE PERMIT

The proposed design and use require a Use Permit to allow a second-story addition to a single-story single-family residence within the R1-6, Single-Family Residential district.

Section 6-308 E Approval criteria for Use Permit (in italics):

- Any significant increase in vehicular or pedestrian traffic; the proposed second-story use is not expected to increase vehicular or pedestrian traffic more than what is expected from a single-family owner-occupied use which is the intent of this application.
- Nuisance arising from the emission of odor, dust, gas, noise, vibration, smoke, heat or glare at a level exceeding that of ambient conditions; the proposed second-story addition will not change the use and will remain an owneroccupied single-family residence. A single-family residence will not generate emissions greater than ambient conditions that would otherwise case a nuisance to the neighborhood.
- 3. Contribution to the deterioration of the neighborhood or to the downgrading of property values, which is in conflict with the goals, objectives or policies for rehabilitation, redevelopment or conservation as set forth in the city's adopted plans or General Plan; the addition will provide additional indoor living space and is expected to add value to not only the property itself but the surrounding neighborhood as well.
- 4. Compatibility with existing surrounding structures and uses; the surrounding neighborhood consists of mostly single-story homes with a few multi-story homes scattered throughout. This home will continue to be used as a single-family home.
- 5. Adequate control of disruptive behavior both inside and outside the premises which may create a nuisance to the surrounding area or general public; the second-story addition is intended for a single-family owner-occupied use and is not expected to cause any disruptive behavior.

REASONS FOR APPROVAL:

Based on the information provided by the applicant, the public input received, and the above analysis staff supports approval of the requested Use Permit. This request meets the required criteria and will conform to the conditions.

SHOULD AN AFFIRMATIVE ACTION BE TAKEN ON THIS REQUEST, THE FOLLOWING NUMBERED CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL SHALL APPLY, BUT MAY BE AMENDED BY THE DECISION-MAKING BODY.

CONDITION(S) OF APPROVAL:

- 1. The Use Permit is valid only after a Building Permit has been obtained, the required inspections have been completed and a Final Inspection has been passed. As part of the Building Permit process, on-site storm water retention may be required to be verified or accomplished on this Site.
- 2. The Use Permit is valid for the plans as submitted within this application. Any additions or modifications may be submitted for review during the building plan check process.

CODE/ORDINANCE REQUIREMENTS:

THE BULLETED ITEMS REFER TO EXISTING CODE OR ORDINANCES THAT PLANNING STAFF OBSERVES ARE PERTINENT TO THIS CASE. THE BULLET ITEMS ARE INCLUDED TO ALERT THE DESIGN TEAM AND ASSIST IN OBTAINING A BUILDING PERMIT AND ARE NOT AN EXHAUSTIVE LIST.

- The use permit approval shall be void if the use is not commenced or if an application for a building permit has not been submitted, whichever is applicable, within twelve (12) months after the use permit is granted or within the time stipulated by the decision-making body.
- Specific requirements of the Zoning and Development Code (ZDC) are not listed as a condition of approval but
 will apply to any application. To avoid unnecessary review time and reduce the potential for multiple plan check
 submittals, become familiar with the ZDC. Access the ZDC through http://www.tempe.gov/zoning or purchase from
 Development Services.
- Any intensification or expansion of use shall require a new Use Permit.

HISTORY & FACTS:

1951 Building Permit issued for a single-family residence.

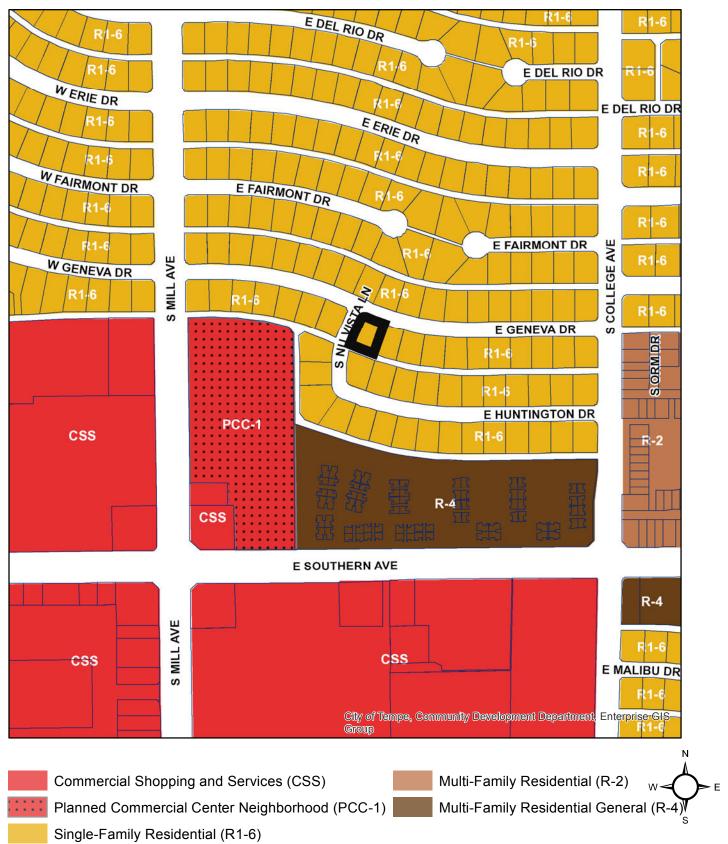
ZONING AND DEVELOPMENT CODE REFERENCE:

Section 3-102 Permitted Uses in Residential Districts
Section 3-420 Single-Family Residential Second Story Addition or Rebuild
Section 4-202 Development Standards for Residential Districts
Section 6-308 Use Permit



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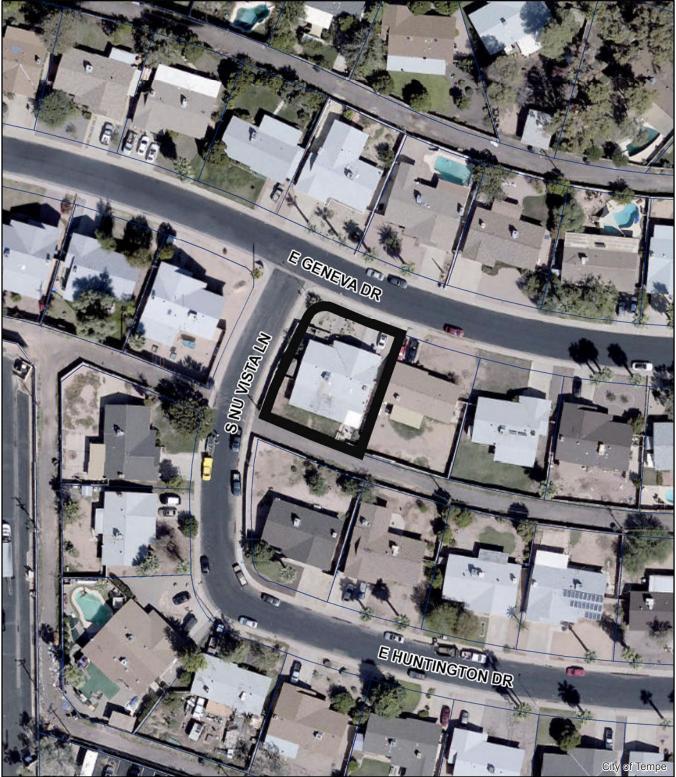
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Aerial Map



Letter of Explanation

Concerning the property located at: 101 E. Geneva Dr. Tempe Az.

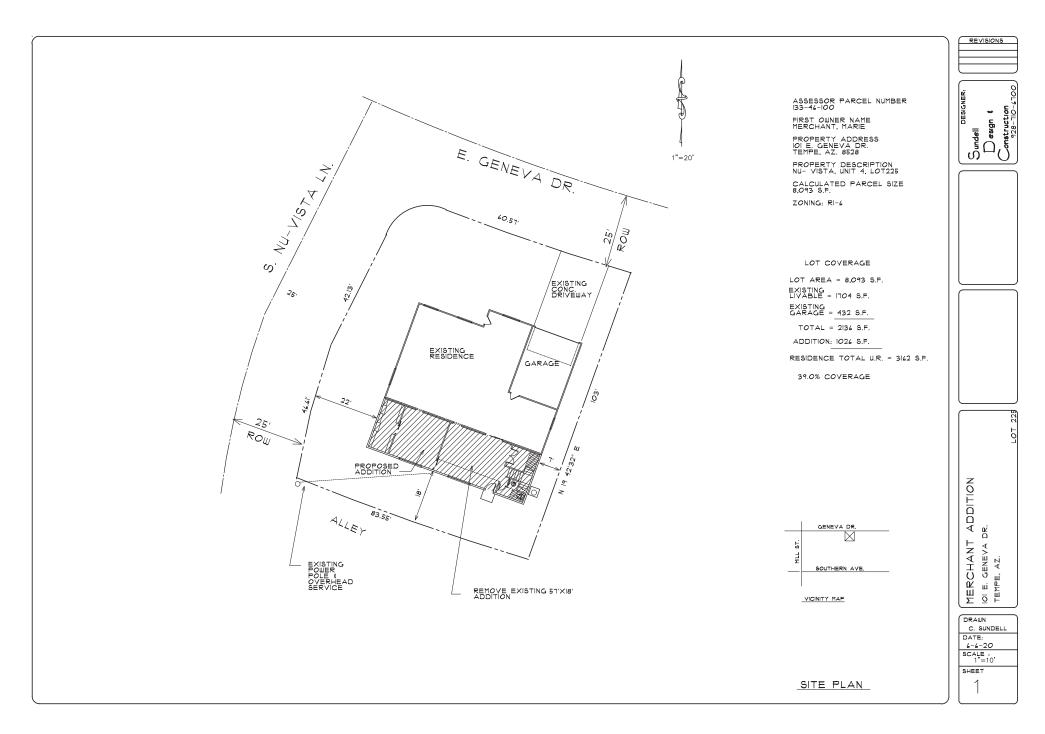
- A. The two-story addition will not add any more or less vehicular or pedestrian traffic as the same number of people will reside in the residence.
- B. There will be no emission of any kind coming from the residence.
- C. The addition will raise the property value of the residence and help the neighborhood with higher values.
- D. The addition when completed will be consistent with the neighborhood as there is other two-story residences in the vicinity. They include 315 E. Faimont Dr.

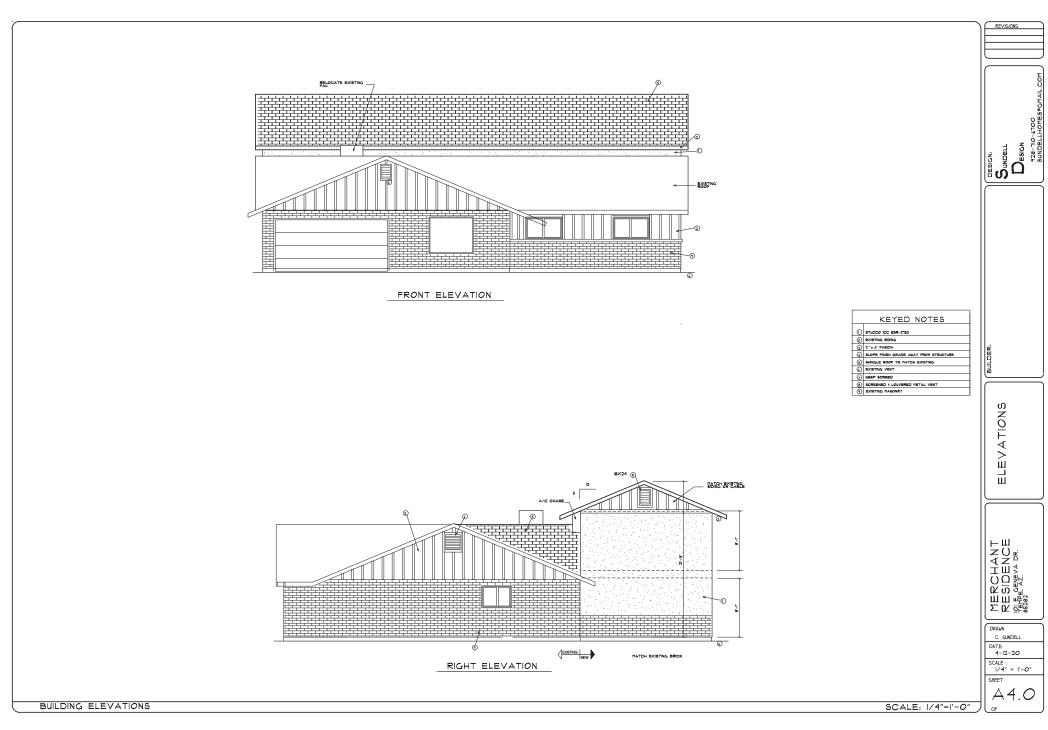
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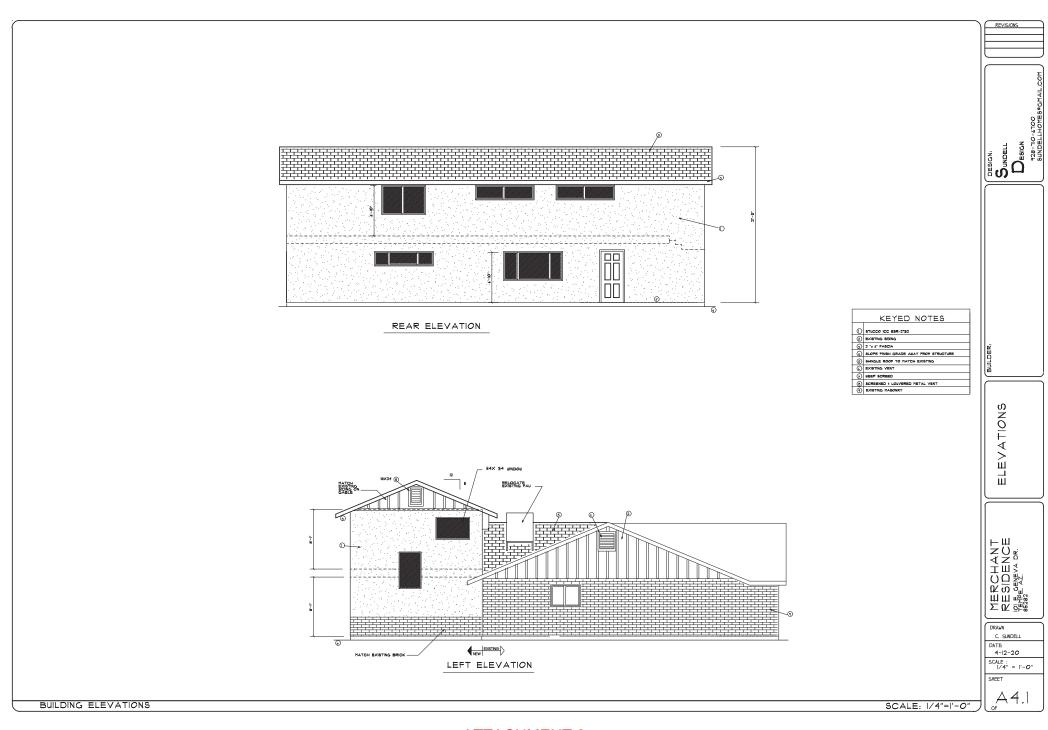
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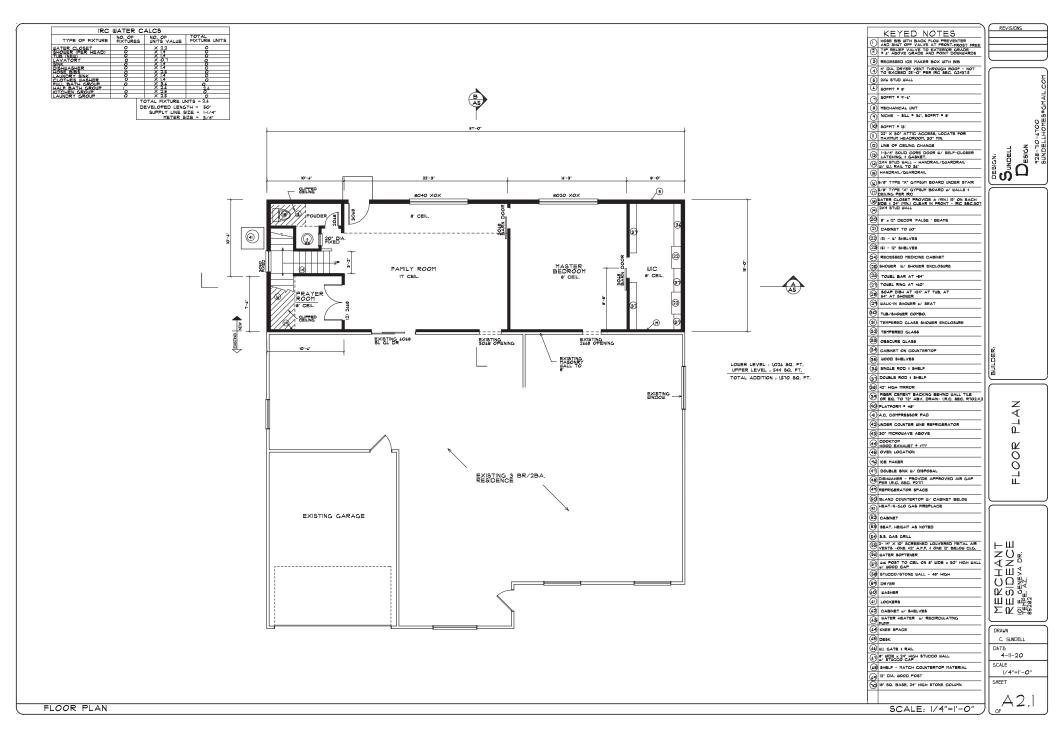
E. There is no change of the behavior both inside and outside the residence that would create a nuisance to the area.

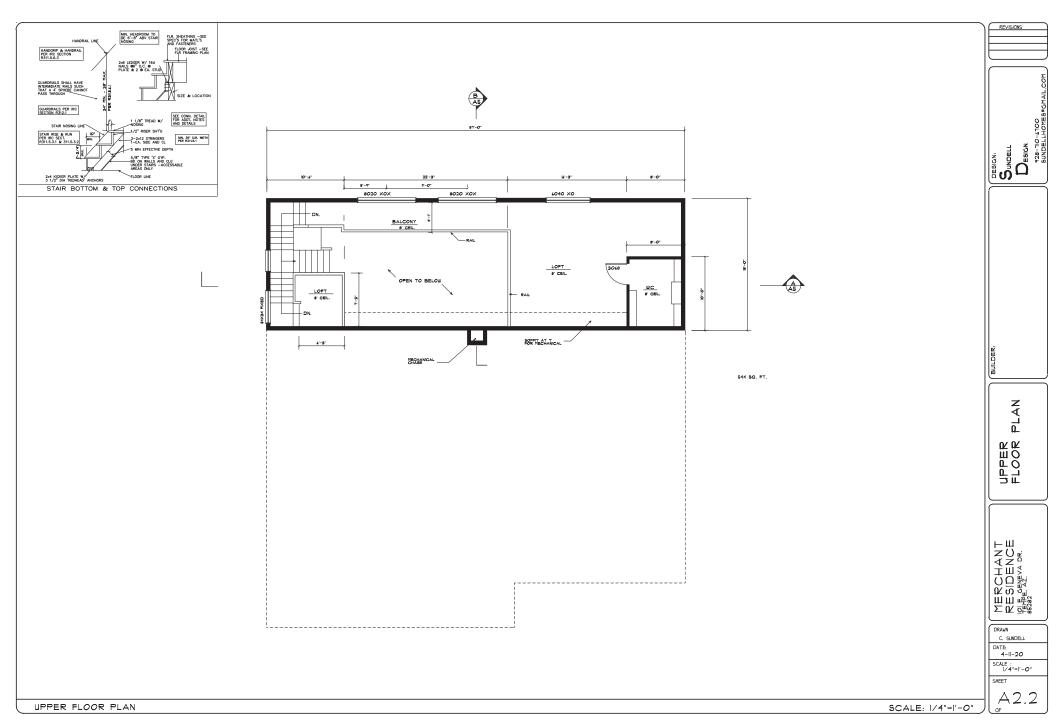












 From:
 Aaron, Robbie

 Subject:
 Case # PL200145

Date: Monday, July 27, 2020 5:15:21 PM

Hi,

I just received a green post card in the mail in reference to the above case number at 101 E. Geneva Dr. I live at E. Geneva Drive and have for the past 25 years. I bought my home to be close to ASU while I was attending there studying to become a teacher. After my teaching career got under way and the roommates moved out I decided to stay. I love the ambience of the whole central Tempe neighborhood! I love knowing my neighbors well! From Apache Blvd and College St. to Southern and College and beyond, every house is single story, western style ranch home. I love that! If I wanted to live in a 2 story neighborhood of look alike homes I would live in Ahwatukee!

Please don't allow 2 stories to be built in our neighborhoods. I'm afraid it will start a bad trend! It's bad enough when people are allowed to enclose their 2 car attached garages into extra bedrooms! I want to be able to see "A" mountain at my corner of College and Geneva. I don't want my neighbor behind me to suddenly put on a 2nd story and look down into my yard. I like single story homes. It looks very "western" to me. I like my trees to be taller than my house.......

These neighborhoods in central Tempe have been around since 1960...almost enough to qualify for historic neighborhoods! If someone needs that much extra space go to Ahwatukee, Chandler, or Gilbert or even south Tempe and buy one of those 2 - story shoeboxes and live!! But don't destroy the quaintness and neighborhood feeling we have here in the older parts of Tempe!

Thank you,

Michael Chwastek

E. Geneva Dr.

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