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FINDINGS REQUIRED FOR CONCEPT DESIGN STUDY ACCEPTANCE

For each of the required design study findings listed below, staff has indicated whether the concept plans submitted support adoption of the findings. For all findings checked "no" the staff report discusses the issues to facilitate decision-making by the Planning Commission. Findings checked "yes" may or may not be discussed in the staff report depending on the issues.

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CMC Section 17.68.040.A – Concept Phase Approval Findings	YES	NO
1. The project conforms with all zoning standards applicable to the site, or has	1	
received appropriate use permits or variances consistent with the Zoning Ordinance.		
2. The project is consistent with the City's design objectives for protection and	1	
enhancement of the urbanized forest, open space resources and site design. The		
project's use of open space, topography, access, trees and vegetation will maintain		
or establish a continuity of design both on-site and in the public right-of-way that is		
characteristic of the neighborhood.		
3. The project avoids complexity using simple building forms, a simple roof plan and	1	
a restrained employment of offsets and appendages that are consistent with		
neighborhood character yet will not be viewed as repetitive or monotonous within		
the neighborhood context.		
4. The project is adapted to human scale in the height of its roof, plate lines, eave	1	
lines, building forms, and in the size of windows doors and entryways. The		
development is similar in size, scale, and form to buildings on the immediate block		
and neighborhood. Its height is compatible with its site and surrounding		
development and will not present excess mass or bulk to the public or to adjoining		
properties. Mass of the building relates to the context of other homes in the vicinity.		
5. The project is consistent with the City's objectives for public and private views	✓	
and will retain a reasonable amount of solar access for neighboring sites. Through		
the placement, location and size of windows, doors and balconies the design		
respects the rights to reasonable privacy on adjoining sites.		
6. The design concept is consistent with the goals, objectives and policies related to	✓	
residential design in the general plan.		
7. The development does not require removal of any significant trees unless	✓	
necessary to provide a viable economic use of the property or protect public health		
and safety. All buildings are set back a minimum of six feet from significant trees.		
CMC Section 17.64.010.B - Coastal Development Permit Findings	YES	NO
1. Local Coastal Program Consistency: The project, as described in the application	✓	
and accompanying materials, as modified by the conditions of approval, conforms to		
the certified Local Coastal Program of the City of Carmel-by-the Sea.		
2. Public access policy consistency: The project is not located between the first	✓	
public road and the sea, and therefore, no review is required for potential public		
access.		