

Whether you call it ‘size and height’, or ‘mass, shape and scale’, we reject the proposed building PLN2019-00368 because it is too massive and bulky for the placement on a substandard corner lot, on a rise, at the center of the Burnham design. It does not harmonize with our open space where the medians meet. It does not respect the adjacent one-story cottages privacy, nor how it takes away ocean views from 5 households.

There should be no variances granted for setbacks and parking as long as this is designed as a two-story building.

We are 7 households within the 300’ neighborhood holding this opinion. We have also asked for input from other El Granada residents: [ipetitions.com/petition/elgranada](https://ipetitions.com/petition/elgranada), and you can read the comments below where many point to how it impairs the visual harmony by being too big.

<b>Rosemary Trujillo</b>	May 11, 2020
I've lived in El Granada on the Alameda for over 25 years and I oppose the proposed plans for this structure; they do not conform to the existing setbacks and height requirements set out for the neighborhood. The proposed two-story structure is adjacent to two single story homes and its extreme visual height variation relative to the adjacent homes will destroy the visual harmony of the neighborhood. The proposed setback and height of this structure are insensitive to the existing residents and their reasons for purchasing in the neighborhood. Although development in the area may be inevitable, it must not include neglect and disregard of setback, height and design standards set out for our community. As a resident of the neighborhood, I rely on the County and Design Review to conscientiously apply the existing setback and height standards for this structure and all development in the neighborhood to promote visual and community harmony.	1
<b>Victoria A Plock</b>	May 01, 2020
The proposed building plans violate the setback standards and disrupts the visual harmony of the existing neighborhood; the plans as proposed should not be allowed to go forward.	1
<b>Nancy Kennedy</b>	Apr 11, 2020
Owner, 578 The Alameda.	1
<b>Carlotta Lincoln</b>	Apr 08, 2020
The height and mass of this proposed building is disruptively out of scale with its surroundings, and looks to distract from the overall appearance and harmony of the setting. It also significantly invades and compromises the privacy of its immediate neighbor and Development shall be located, sited and designed to carefully fit its environment so that its presence is subordinated to the maximum extent practicable.	1
<b>Pepper Mcquarrie</b>	Apr 05, 2020
Coming from a family in real estate, A real estate appraiser for 40 years myself locally I am continually amazed that America is not equal for all. Our family has never asked for a variance, we would never be given anything we were denied any permit we ever tried to get. If you're not a contractor don't bother trying we have never bothered our neighbors. It's so difficult to live in California the last thing we need is for rich people being given these variances for substandard lots that should not be built on. There is no excuse to allow building on a substandard lot 2500 feet is not a lot. I have seen all over the coast variance being given that are absurd. You could line up thousands of people and none of us would get a variance, we should not. we make the laws, we make the regulations, we protect the community that we love. People come in from outside our area ignore our laws and regulations and the standards of our lots. I have been a real estate appraiser for 40 years and rarely saw anything like this, it should not be allowed. The permit should not be allowed, variance should not be given. What is the point in having a law when it doesn't count for builders contractors and the rich. I have watched the coast side turn into a garbage dump filled with people that tell me they want sidewalks, bright lights, and they hate fields. why do they move here? I've asked that they want to pave in every inch of the coastline. I don't understand that. What happened to the coastal commission? Why are they building on the coast line? It looks like Detroit the smog will come next. The World War II people protected our towns from greedy overlords as they are dying off everyone else says it's not my problem I won't get involved I'm too busy. They all move away in a year anyway it breaks my heart. We are attracting greedy people worldwide. Someone has to protect the coastline. Obviously bribes are involved. They come in to town and buy every 2500 square-foot lot and get variances on all of them how is that possible? Could anyone from the county comment on this? they are very low paid, in the old days a pint of whisky got your permit signed.	1

<b>Anonymous</b>	Apr 04, 2020
Scale this way the heck down! Two stories when the other homes around it are not? Don't clog up El Granada with this monstrosity!	1
<b>Anne Ingraham</b>	Apr 02, 2020
Oversized building for the lot, especially with these setback plans.	1
<b>Anonymous</b>	Mar 30, 2020
I do not approve of this scale and design. It does not fit with the nature of the surrounding location.	1
<b>Anonymous</b>	Mar 30, 2020
Very bad idea, everyone needs to be held to the same rules for building.	1
<b>Caroline Bengtson</b>	Mar 30, 2020
Get a deal on the lot, then overbuild and make everyone else miserable. Seems unneighborly to me, and a money grab.	1
<b>Gregg Dieguez</b>	Mar 30, 2020
Who bribed who to allow this? That's an unbuildable lot, and you're ruining the neighborhood to enrich a lot owner and the real estate industry. You must deny this variance!	1
<b>Anonymous</b>	Mar 30, 2020
We oppose this 2 story duplex	1
<b>DARIA MALDONADO-KNAPP</b>	Mar 30, 2020
It is a disgrace that this is even happening!	1
<b>Suzanne Elliott</b>	Mar 30, 2020
Way too large for the lot and unbelievably close to the existing cottage.	2
<b>Patrice Dougherty</b>	Mar 29, 2020
Please stop the building of this structure! It does not belong here and will change the serenity of El Granada!	1
<b>Patricia Chambers</b>	Mar 29, 2020
The structure is too large for the building site and the character of the neighborhood.	1
<b>Bryan Baldwin</b>	Mar 29, 2020
It will end up being a hazard! Out of place. Very bad placement for a building like that. Another small cottage, as its predecesing, neighboring cottages would even be a tight fit. And, a small cottage would be much more suitable than a structure like that. Lot is too small for a building of that structure, and likely even a smaller structure wouldn't be suitable.	1
<b>Pat Baldwin</b>	Mar 29, 2020
I whole heartedly agree. To big of a structure on a substandard lot. Surrounded by single story family home's	1

<b>Marcia S Miriarty</b>	Mar 29, 2020
I believe laws and zoning and building regulations should be uniformly applied.	1
<b>kim dailey</b>	Mar 29, 2020
Not appropriate in scale, zoning or design standards conformity.	1
<b>Susan Casey</b>	Mar 29, 2020
I am a resident of El Granada and object to this size house built on such a small lot. This sets a horrible precedent and should never be approved by the planning commission. They are breaking their own rules which have been in place for decades.	1
<b>Donald McMann</b>	Mar 29, 2020
This is out of context for the neighborhood and the variances granted would only allow further degradation of the building requirements of the area	1
<b>Anne B Wright</b>	Mar 29, 2020
This project is completely out of character for the location, especially with cottages alongside. It's overbuilding on a lot never meant for such a monstrosity. Please reconsider.	1
<b>Lisa Kochman</b>	Mar 29, 2020
It is insulting to see that this new structure will be allowed to build within 3 feet of the property line. This setback should not be allowed. Also, there is a horrid unarticulated design, so it is one long straight wall running the length of the entire building. There is massing. It is quite clear that whoever granted the setbacks has not even seen the property in person.	1
<b>Marina Paap</b>	Mar 29, 2020
Under no circumstances 3 feet setbacks should be allowed ANYWHERE on the coast	1
<b>Michael J Ahern</b>	Mar 29, 2020
El Granada is special because of the open space. Setbacks need to be substantial.	1
<b>Barbara J Hedrick</b>	Mar 29, 2020
This structure is not fitting in our El Granada neighborhood. It is much too large on a substandard lot.	1
<b>Judith Brown</b>	Mar 29, 2020
What an eyesore!	1
<b>Harvey Gaylin</b>	Mar 29, 2020
I wholeheartedly agree with the objections to this project expressed in this petition.	1
<b>Susie Rose Tempesta</b>	Mar 28, 2020
The height of this proposed building, as seen with the story poles on the lot, is a concern, and should not be allowed. The proposed project is disruptive to neighbors and compromises privacy and view corridors. This building should be in compliance with Midcoast Design Standards.	1

<b>Ravn miller</b>	Mar 28, 2020
This home needs to abide by set backs. You know buying a substandard lot the limitations. Now these people have to abide by them	1
<b>Suzanne DeSelover - Sallie</b>	Mar 28, 2020
This building does not fit in with this area. Overbearing. Stop density on the coast!	1
<b>Anonymous</b>	Mar 28, 2020
Substandard lots should not be granted for development period!	1
<b>Jeremiah Armstrong</b>	Mar 28, 2020
Completely out of scale for that street and one car garages should not be acceptable.	1
<b>EDWIN FERRAN</b>	Mar 28, 2020
Awful.	1
<b>Alice Keeton</b>	Mar 28, 2020
Too high And too many concessions There are other non conforming lots in the area granted with exceptions but nothing like that	1
<b>John Lincoln</b>	Mar 26, 2020
This project is TOO HIGH for the neighborhood. Was public input ever sought? I never saw it, and I live nearby. Please make sure this is only One store high. Thank you.	1
<b>Alicia Addis</b>	Mar 24, 2020
I know we need housing on the coast but that is a big duplex for a small lot.	1
<b>James balouan</b>	Mar 24, 2020
20 year home owner... please do not take away the last of our filtered ocean view	1
<b>Cissy Baloian</b>	Mar 24, 2020
One story please! This is greed!!! If this building is allowed , more will follow !! Help us save el granada!	1
<b>Jean Knight</b>	Mar 23, 2020
The proposed design clearly severely impacts the immediate neighbor, to a crushing extent. I sympathize with the challenge of designing for a substandard lot, but this design so totally disregards the neighbors that it should be denied. We urge one story only.	1
<b>Michael Cadigan</b>	Mar 21, 2020
28 year resident and home owner	1
<b>Ben Bower</b>	Mar 21, 2020
Resident for almost 7 years	1
<b>Molly Romm</b>	Mar 21, 2020
This proposed project will completely block my partial ocean view	1