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### EXPANDABLE RESERVOIR/GREEN WALL SYSTEM

- **Planners provide support and the soil for a variety of plants**
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**Gravity System Description**

**Residential Timber Construction**
- OSB Structural 1 floor sheathing supported by TJI Joist
- 9.5”-16” Deep TJI 360 Joist
  @ 24” C.C. Spacing Roof
  @ 12” C.C. Spacing Green Roof
  @ 12” C.C. Spacing Floor
- Provide web stiffeners for TJI joists at wall connection.
- All joists supported by load-bearing walls and PSL beams.
- Load Bearing Walls to be comprised of 2x6 sawn lumber studs @ 16” C.C. spacing.
- 2x6 sawn lumber for double top plate and sill plate.
- Provide PSL below discontinuous load-bearing walls.
- OSB Wall sheathing connected to wall studs.
- All sawn lumber to be Douglass Fir No. 1.

**Underground Parking Concrete Construction**
- Use 4ksi Normal Weight Concrete
- Provide Grade 60 rebar for tension reinforcement.
- 4”-6” concrete slab above Mechanical parking.
- 18”-36” deep concrete beams supporting slab.
- 12” thick concrete walls supporting slab, beams, and residential timber framing above.
- Walls to be considered retaining and bearing walls.
- Monolithic concrete system.
- Anchor timber walls above to concrete walls below.

**Office/Retail Timber Construction**
- OSB Structural 1 floor sheathing supported by TJI Joist.
- 9.5”-16” Deep TJI 360 Joist
  @ 24” C.C. Spacing Roof
  @ 12” C.C. Spacing Green Roof
  @ 12” C.C. Spacing Floor
- Joists supported by both PSL beams and load-bearing walls.
- Provide interior timber columns to support PSL beams.
- PSL Beams to be:
  7” thick
  11 7/8” - 18” Deep
- Beam-To-Column connection via Simpson Strong Tie Column Cap.
- Load Bearing Walls same as residential.
Lateral System Description

Residential Timber Construction
- Provide Simpson Hold-downs within shear walls for lateral reinforcement.
- Connect 1/2" OSB sheathing to wall studs using 8d nails @ 2"-6" spacing at panel edges.
- Connect 3/4" OSB sheathing to floor joists using 8d nails @ 2"-6" spacing at panel edges.
- Provide Simpson straps at collector and chord splices.

Underground Parking
Concrete Construction
- Use 4ksi Normal Weight Concrete
- Provide Grade 60 rebar for tension reinforcement.
- Concrete shear walls around the perimeter of underground parking.
- Provide hold downs to connect timber shear walls above to concrete shear walls below.

Office/Retail Timber Construction
- Use 4ksi Normal Weight Concrete and 60ksi rebar for concrete shear walls on storefront face of building.
- Provide 2x-4x ledger to allow Diaphragm connection to concrete shear wall.
- Provide Hold downs to connect joists or beams to concrete wall through ledger.
- Provide web stiffeners at any TJI joists anchored with hold downs.
- See Residential timber framing for other timber-related descriptions
**Foundation System Description**

**Mat Slab Foundation**
- Provide an On-Grade, shallow mat foundation for all structures.
- Foundation to be 3ksi normal weight concrete.
- Use grade 60 galvanized steel reinforcement.
- Provide minimum 1.5” cover from rebar to concrete face.
- Foundation to be 24” thick.
- Provide vapor retardant beneath mat slab.
- Provide 4” gravel over 2” sand beneath vapor retardant.

**Retaining Wall Foundation**
- Foundation to be 3ksi normal weight concrete.
- Use grade 60 galvanized steel reinforcement.
- Provide minimum 2” cover from rebar to concrete face.
- Provide an On-Grade, shallow mat foundation for all structures.
- Provide key popout for increased shear capacity.

**Bearing and Retaining Wall Foundation**

**Free Standing retaining wall foundation with key for shear**
**Mechanical Parking Description**

**STOLZER Automatic Parking UP Parking System:**
- Universal parking system for parking up to 100 vehicles with 1 storage and retrieval unit.
- The parking places can be located either in a free standing steel rack structure or in a concrete structure with intermediate slabs.
- Per Stolzer Automatic Parking UP Parking System requirements and site conditions, concrete structure with intermediate concrete slabs are mandatory.

**Explanation of Steps:**

**Step 1:** Car enters Carport onto Mechanical Rotating plate.

**Step 2:** Rotating Plate Rotates.

**Step 3:** Plate carrying car is lowered onto conveyor system below.

**Step 4:** All cars rotate on conveyor system together to access departing car.
Gravity System Selection

Residential Timber Construction

**BUILDING PROGRAM:**
- Max Span 25’
- Max Building Height 45’
- Max 3 stories
- Closed Layout
- Residential occupancy R-2

**Cost:**
- Floor construction 11 7/8” deep TJI 360 @12” o.c. - $3.35/sf
- Installation and misc. - $2.09/sf
- **Estimated cost/sf timber floor** - $5.44/sf

**Wall construction**
- Wood siding w/ 2x6 studs @16” o.c.
- Insulation and 5/8” OSB plywood - $4.43/sf
- Installation and misc. - $4.91/sf
- **Estimated cost/sf timber walls** - $9.34/sf

**Constructability:**
- No heavy machinery necessary for construction.
- Modifications to members are easily executed on-site.
- Materials are easy to transport.
- On-site modifications creates material waste.

**Sustainability:**
- Timber waste is recyclable.
- Consumes CO2 from environment.
- Insulation provided within exterior walls.
- Green roofs to be implemented.
- 50 year expected lifespan.
- Subject to mold, mildew, and termites.

**Aesthetics:**
- Timber framing not exposed.
- Compatible with desired rain screen

**Fire Resistance:**
- Type V A construction
- Minimum fire resistance rating for:
  - Primary structural frame - 1
  - Interior and exterior bearing walls - 1
  - Floor construction and roof const. - 1
  - Interior nonbearing partition walls - 0

**Conclusion:** Timber construction chosen due to cost, building program, and constructability.

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Underground Parking

Concrete Construction

**BUILDING PROGRAM:**
- Max Span 40’
- Max height 18’ with 1 intermediate slab
- Open Layout
- Storage Group occupancy S-2
- Exposed to earth and soil.

**Cost:**
- Floor Construction 24” column, 9” slab - $10.35/sf
- Installation and misc. - $12.45/sf
- **Estimated cost/sf Conc. Floor** - $24.80/sf
  - Cost will increase due to partially under ground construction

**Constructability:**
- Concrete materials are highly available.
- Formwork construction required.
- Access must be provided for concrete truck.

**Sustainability:**
- 100 year lifespan.
- Durable material.
- Produce CO2 into the environment.
- Concrete is difficult to recycle.

**Aesthetics:**
- Concrete Partly underground (Hidden from view).
- More aesthetically pleasing than CMU for the client and architect.

**Fire Resistance:**
- Type V A construction
- Minimum fire resistance rating for:
  - Primary structural frame - 1
  - Interior and exterior bearing walls - 1
  - Floor construction and roof const. - 1
  - Interior nonbearing partition walls - 0

**Conclusion:** Concrete Construction chosen due to Building program, Fire Resistance, and Sustainability.

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Ret./office Timber Construction

**BUILDING PROGRAM:**
- Max Span 25’
- Max Building height 30’
- Max 2 stories
- Open Layout
- Office occupancy A-2 & Retail occupancy M

**Cost:**
- Floor construction
- Joist and beam construction - $14.80/sf
- Installation and misc. - $4.59/sf
- **Estimated cost/sf timber floor** - $19.19/sf

- Remaining criteria coincide with residential timber construction

**Conclusion:** Timber construction chosen due to cost and constructability.

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N - No separation requirement
Sprinklers to be provided

**TABLE 209.4**

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**IBC Table 504.4**

Allowable number of stories above grade for residential occupancy.
Lateral System Selection

Residential Timber Construction
- Light-frame timber shear walls sheathed with wood structural panels rated for shear resistance supporting flexible timber diaphragm.

*Building Program:
- Closed floor layout
- Timber shear walls take advantage of multiple interior walls.
- Risk category II
- Short Period Response acceleration

*Seismic Performance:
- Meets seismic requirements for Seismic Design Category D - See Table Below.

*Compatibility with Gravity System:
- Gravity system: Timber floor framing with timber load bearing walls.
- Interior load bearing walls can also be used as timber shear walls. Timber shear walls are compatible with timber floor framing.

*Cost:
- Materials and fasteners are readily available.
- Material and installation cost are low relative to steel and timber.
- Walls can be fabricated on-site.

Conclusion: Timber construction chosen due to compatibility with gravity system, seismic performance, and cost.

Concrete Parking Construction
- Special reinforced concrete shear walls with boundary elements.
- Supports rigid diaphragm concrete slab.

*Building Program:
- Open floor layout
- Concrete shear walls also act as retaining walls.
- Risk Category II
- Short Period Response acceleration

*Seismic Performance:
- Meets seismic requirements for Seismic Design Category D - See Table Below.

*Compatibility with Gravity System:
- Gravity system: Timber floor framing above first floor with timber load bearing walls.
- No interior walls to use as shear walls.
- Concrete shear walls compatible with timber shear walls and timber framing.

Conclusion: Concrete construction chosen due to compatibility with gravity system, seismic performance, and building program.

Ret./Office Timber Construction
- Light-frame timber shear walls sheathed with wood structural panels rated for shear resistance supporting flexible timber diaphragm.
- Special reinforced concrete shear walls provided on store front face.
- Risk Category II
- Short Period Response acceleration

*Building Program:
- Open floor layout
- Concrete shear wall minimizes amount of wall area and maximizes possible openings for retail store front.

*Seismic Performance:
- Meets seismic requirements for Seismic Design Category D - See Table Below.

*Compatibility with Gravity System:
- Gravity system: Timber floor framing with timber beams between columns and exterior walls.
- Minimal interior walls to use for shear wall locations.

- Remaining criteria coincide with timber and concrete construction criteria.

Conclusion: Timber construction chosen due to compatibility with gravity system, seismic performance, and cost.

Table 12.2-1 Design Coefficients and Factors for Seismic Force-Resisting Systems

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Foundation System Selection

Mat Slab Foundation
- Primarily clay soil provides 1,500 psf vertical foundation pressure.
- Clay is an expansive soil.
- Potential water table below grade.
- Top face of concrete foundation must be level.
- Bottom face is permitted to slope 10% maximum at any given point.
- If the soil is to contract or expand, the building will sink or rise as an entire unit above the mat foundation.
- Mat foundation does not require drilling or heavy machinery that cause noise and vibrations that could disturb the surrounding neighborhood.
- Shored excavation allows edge of mat foundation butt up against property line.
- Steel piles and timber lagging is to be erected before foundation pour.

Conclusion: Due to poor soil quality, mat foundations or deep foundations are best options. Due to surrounding residential, mat foundation construction is less intrusive in relation to noise and vibrations.

Retaining Wall Foundation
- Free Standing Retaining walls are not combined in mat foundation.
- Key allows foundation to butt up against property line.
- Retaining and bearing walls are combined in mat foundation.
- Primarily clay soil provides 100psf lateral bearing pressure (Poor quality).
- Max height of retaining and load bearing wall 18’ (Simply supported)
- Potential water table below grade.
- Shallow wall footing avoids the use of vibrations and sound.

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IBC Table 1808.8.1 - Soil Requirements
Gravity System Configuration

First Floor Bearing Walls

Second Floor Bearing Walls

Third Floor Bearing Walls

Roof Framing
LATERAL SYSTEM CONFIGURATION

First Floor Shear Walls

Second Floor Shear Walls

Third Floor Shear Walls
Parking System Configuration

Parking North
- 120ft x 40ft x 18ft = 86,400 cubic ft.
- Provides enough space for 46 parking spots.
- Car rotation platform necessary
- Parking for restaurant and retail.

Parking South
- 140ft x 25ft x 18ft = 63,000 cubic ft.
- Provides enough space for 30 parking spots.
- Parking for residential tenants only.

- 76 total parking spots provided.
Lateral System Sizing

Length of shear wall checked for worst case only: Residential building Gridlines C-K and 8-11
FOUNDATION SYSTEM SIZING

Steel column used to check punching and determine slab thickness

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[Dear client]

N&N would like to extend our gratitude in the opportunity to present our design proposal. As one of the oldest professions in history, Architecture has been powered by creativity and zealous for the beautiful. We at N&N take this idea to heart, as an interdisciplinary team we looked at the project from different points of view and look for the best solution to both your needs and those of the project.

In collaboration with you we will work together to find a design solution that fits your requirement, the city’s and the better living of the occupants to be.

N&N thanks you once again for the opportunity to present our design proposal, and look forward to the prospect of work with you.

Sincerely,

N&N
executive summary

Our client, a local developer seeks to design and build a mix-use project which addresses the housing need that San Luis Obispo currently undergoes. The project will not only provide much need living units, but it will further the neighborhoods economic growth by providing new businesses that will on account provide more jobs.

2115 Broad St. is located in the Railroad District of San Luis Obispo, just a minutes from Downtown. Its proximity will provide the occupants and neighboring community relative close access to its proposed program. Part of our goals for the project was to provide as large amount of housing without sacrificing open space and the quality of living, our proposed design consists of a total of 21 units with a density value of 23.8. The proposed design also includes 2 large offices with a shared lobby area, 3 restaurants/café, a small grocery store serving the neighborhood, as well as shared spaces for the residents in which events and other community activities could take place.

As an interdisciplinary design team smart and structural integration to the design occurred from the beginning. Timber framing for all structures above grade, OSB sheathing is to be used for all floors and walls. Floors are supported by TJI joists and PSL beams, framing members are supported by bearing walls in the residential structures and supported by a mix of bearing walls and interior columns within the retail and office structures. Underground parking is all concrete construction. Parking structures support some of the timber construction above. All structures are supported by mat foundations that are stepped with the change in elevations. Timber shear walls are used as lateral support for timber framing, while concrete walls act as bearing and shear walls below.
Each city and site is different from one another, each with their own set of attributes and issues. 2115 Broad St, San Luis Obispo is no exception. Known to many as the “happies city” it has its own problems, the city’s job and housing balance causes most people to commute from the surrounding cities. As if scarcity of housing was not a big enough problem the affordability and challenge of access to jobs that can satisfy a living is an ongoing problem.

A locally active developer has recently acquired a property near downtown with plans to purchase two nearby parcels as well. Asked to propose a project and complete detailed design for its highest and best use. The developer has certain goals that they want to be achieve in order for the development of the site to be feasible.

Project Program
The developer has completed a preliminary assessment (financial and market analysis but not entitlement) and asks that the following minimum program elements be included in the project:

- Two (2) restaurants and/or café
- Three (3) small offices with shared support amenities (restroom / breakroom)
- Two (3) three bedroom units
- Three (2) two bedroom units
- Two (2) one bedroom units
- Uncopiable roof deck with shared garden area
- Maximize common area for resident and office use
- All required residential and office vehicle parking should utilize high density mechanized parking. Any and all parking reduction possibilities should be explored.
- Bicycle parking for 50% of residential and office occupants, 20% of restaurant visitors
- Living Building Challenge petal certified (Water, Energy, Beauty)
- Four 2 bedroom units
- One small neighborhood serving grocery/café
- Two small offices
- Three studio apartments
From the first occurrences of human made spaces; space making through the manipulation of the environment as was with the creation of fire, architecture performed beyond its utilitarian properties. Architecture provides an experience in which the occupants participates on an immersive level.

This idea however can be a double edge sword, as designers have to create an immersive experience while not separating the outside world from the experience of the occupant and creating a relationship between the building design and the neighborhood it exists in. Architecture is a public art experience with distractions and noise in a public setting, its physicality is as important as metaphysical properties the architect is able to bring fort. The architecture of the propose design solution must therefore consider the current and future context in which the building will have to perform.

2115 Broad St. is not only a complex site today, but as the city moves forward and so does its architecture the context which surrounds it will become more complex. N&N’s goal is to create a balance at which the occupants can immerse themselves not only in this particular building but within the surrounding neighborhood that they are a part of.

Manipulating the design to create a building that allows for the maximum connection of the community while maintain the need for privacy of its occupants. The location of the site allows for fantastic views of both the city and the hills that characterize the City of San Luis Obispo. The new building must also be able to perform in terms of architectural design and systems integration. Creating a project that not only responds to the needs and wants of its occupants but does so responsibly, by minimizing its environmental Impact on its own community.

The different programmatic uses of the building defined the approach in regards to site layout, our goal was to provide the residents a variety of spaces to enjoy individually but bringing the community together, this to ignite a more social community.

The more public program was then pushed towards Broad St. to protect the residential units and open spaces from the more busy street. The topography of the site also influenced the manipulation and how public space was handled. The 10ft elevation difference between the southern most part of the site and the northern end, provided the opportunity to excavate the site and protect the public courtyard even more. This also allowed for a taller building without surpassing the neighborhood’s high tolerance.
Vulkanen is a seven story apartment complex that serves as student housing. The edifice attempts to demonstrate an architectural cooperation between a building's character and layout.

This project demonstrate simple design techniques that can bring a complex integration of sustainable design and architectural solutions to our own projects.
The approach of systems thinking, creates a symbiosis of the material choice and sustainable design with façade design and architectural planning.

Both the buildings cubic form and interior program layout are an integral part of the energy-efficient design of Vulkanen. The cubic design ensures compact volume while allowing the maximizing quality of views for all residents.

A design choice of the architects was to include the atrium and circulation space as the core of the building. By then heating this atrium to 70 °F (20 °C), this helps the building use less energy for heating.
Vulkanen, although not a mixed use building as the one we are designing. Balances the different programmatic implications of medium density housing with that of high quality of living and a more active and unique life style of student living. This project demonstrates how implementing simple programmatic choices can have a great impact both design and sustainability. By bringing together the architecture and sustainability at an early stage of design we can make better buildings that perform much better.
“As time went on, the thickly crowded trees in a certain place, tossed by storms and winds, and rubbing their branches against one another, caught fire, and so the inhabitants of the place were put to flight, being terrified by the furious flame. After it subsided, they drew near, and observing that they were very comfortable standing before the warm fire, they put on logs and, while thus keeping it alive, brought up other people to it, showing them by signs how much comfort they got from it.”

-Vitruvius, The Ten Books of Architecture

At N&N our goal is not only to satisfy the clients proposed program requirement, but to really look at the site and at what is trying to accomplish by the development. The area around 2115 Broad St. is one that will continue to grow and become more and more complex. As such our goal is for our proposal to not only stand tall with the needs of the occupants and client, but to the future of the community. By proposing a project that will not only respect the current ascetics of the community but it reminiscent of the historic values that surround the site.
SITE HISTORY

HISTORY OF SAN LUIS OBISPO BREAKDOWN
- founding of San Luis Obispo de Tolosa (1772)
- development of the railroad (1874)
- founding of Cal Poly (1901)

When the railroad was being built, the area around it began to develop with buildings offering services related to the railroad. However, railroad related buildings soon disappeared due to abandonment or neglect and some converted to other uses as time changed and the city began to populate and develop.

Soon the railroad district was rezoned from service commercial (C-S) to General Retail (C-R) as the city began to grow into a concentration of retail, restaurants and office.

The district had a slow and steady development - fire station was built in the 90s and there was improved railroad facilities. The area contains historic areas and buildings now in poor condition but history wants to be continuously preserved in this district as it was a huge impact in transportation as the city developed.

The railroad district was and is a highly diverse area that has light industrial, retail, office, residential, recreation and transportation uses meet in a relatively compact geographic area.
The site is located within the South Broad Street Area neighborhood, which is bounded by High Street, Union Pacific Railroad, Orcutt Road, and Broad Street on the four cardinal directions, respectively. Located in the center of the city, this neighborhood is adjacent to Highway 101, Downtown San Luis Obispo, the Historic Railroad District, and Little Italy.

Not only was the southeaster portion of the city one of the oldest residential neighborhoods, it was once home to many Italian-Americans and railroad workers (hence the name Little Italy). Many of the original dwellings remain, but renovations in the past century has increased the number of commercial, light industrial, waste recycling, auto sales, auto repair, and other uses and businesses.

Since Broad Street is a main transportation corridor that runs continuously to from Downtown San Luis Obispo down to Arroyo Grande, Pismo Beach, and Grover Beach, the area is close to many shopping stores (and plazas), schools, employment centers, and major transportation facilities like public transit stops, the county regional airport, and Amtrak Train Station.

Although the area offers quite diverse programming and adjacencies to different parts of the city, it is not in an ideal situation to promote any real connection.

The street design allows for high traffic volumes, relatively high speeds, and continuous, uncontrolled left turns into streets and driveways, making it difficult for residents to access businesses, adjacent neighborhoods, schools, parks, and public transit that is present in the area. Traffic volumes on Broad Street, up to 29,100 vehicles per day in 2010, discourage most, if not all, pedestrians and bicyclists from crossing the streets. The lack of continuous sidewalks, street trees, and crosswalks does not facilitate for an active pedestrian community.

This area currently houses various types of buildings and programs. Along with the mixed-density residential, small-scale retail and restaurants, there are plenty of manufacturing and industrial services along the street, including parts that were originally developed in the Imperial Addition (1888). The neighborhood originally consisted of railroad workers’ small houses with simple designs. Over time, zoning changed and non-residential uses appeared while most of the old neighborhood was demolished. The few remaining homes from that period is located between Humbert Avenue and Woodbridge Street.

In 2012, the South Broad Street area has been described as a neighborhood in transition with funky, diverse, and/or dilapidated culture due to the mix of older commercial and residential buildings, lack of public facilities, and underutilized properties.
Residential Land

Land Use Designations

Development of land follows a specific plan

Specific Plan Area

See Land Use Element Chapter 8

R&D, light industrial, and certain office types

Public

Office

Business Park

Neighborhood Commercial

General Retail

Primarily attached units, two- and three-story buildings, common outdoor space

High Density Residential (24 d.u./acre)

Primarily attached units, two- and three-story buildings, common outdoor space

Compact detached homes, or attached units, and smaller yards

Low Density Residential (7 d.u./acre)

Suburban land near City Limits (1 dwelling per acre)

Rural land near City Limits (1 dwelling per 10 acres)

Land suitable for outdoor recreational activities

Recreation

Land suitable for agricultural activities such as crop production

Agriculture

Open Space

Shopping centers serving the community

General Plan Land Use Element

Adopted August 23, 1994 (Resolution No. 8332), as amended through December 9, 2014 (Resolution No. 10586).

City of San Luis Obispo

Bicycle Parking

Spaces as a percentage of required auto spaces*

Minimum short-term bicycle spaces**

Minimum long-term bicycle spaces***

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* Requirements apply to uses that require 10 or more vehicle parking spaces. When less than ½ space is calculated, one space is required.

** “Short-Term” bicycle parking is used by visitors to multi-family housing and by patrons of commercial uses. Bicycle racks are used to satisfy this need.

*** “Long-Term” bicycle parking is used by employees of commercial uses and by residents. Fully enclosed lockers are used to satisfy this need. Lockable rooms reserved for bicycle storage and secured parking areas managed by attendant are other acceptable forms. Bicycles shall be parked vertically or horizontally with at least the rear tire resting at floor level. Additionally, bicycle lockers or interior space within each dwelling or accessory structure have to be provided for the storage of at least two bicycles per unit.

Occupancy Standards | C-N

- 25 max population density/net acre

- 12 density units/net acre

Development Standards

- Maximum Heigh: 35 feet
- Maximum Coverage: 75%
- Maximum floor area to site ratio: 2.0

Building Setback Lines

- Broad Street
- 40ft from centerline of Broad St

Parking

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<td>Live/work Units</td>
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<td>Bakery, retail</td>
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<td>Two spaces for employee parking, plus one space per 500 sq.ft of gross floor area and a minimum of five bicycle parking spaces</td>
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<td>Retail ≤2000 ft²</td>
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Density Bonus

(low/moderate-income housing)

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Increase the percentage of all trips made by bicycle within San Luis Obispo. Establish and maintain an integrated system of bikeways and parking facilities that enables safe and convenient bicycling, with an emphasis on travel to employment centers, commercial districts, schools and recreational destinations.

Advocate bicycling as a way of addressing climate change, preserving clean air, reducing traffic congestion and noise, conserving land and energy resources, and promoting good health.

Develop financial partnerships with other organizations when the resultant bicycle facilities or activities provide significant benefits to San Luis Obispo residents.
**CLIMATE ANALYSIS**

**SAN LUIS OBISPO, CA**

**Average Temperature**

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<td>0.87</td>
<td>1.73</td>
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Most of the wind direction is W - NW throughout the year.

During Fall and Winter the wind also has a E - SE direction.

SLO is sunny most of the year.

Some strategies:
- Passive solar heating
- Entrance of winter light
- Summer shading
- Natural Ventilation

Precipitation in San Luis Obispo is higher during winter and early spring.

Most of the noise comes from Broad street.

*Graphs taken from ClimateConsultant 6.0*
SEISMICITY

FAULTS

• Los Osos Fault Zone
• West Huasna Fault Zone
• Oceanic Fault Zone

LOS OSOS FAULT

TYPE OF FAULT
normal, reverse, and thrust faulting all represented within the zone

LENGTH
about 45 km

NEAREST COMMUNITIES
Los Osos, Edna, and San Luis Obispo

PROXIMITY TO SITE
~8,000 feet away

SOIL TYPE

SITE SOIL CLASSIFICATIONS: Site Class D - “Stiff Soil”
**SEISMICITY**

**SEISMICITY HAZARDS**

**SURFACE RUPTURE**
Surface rupture can endanger lives and property when structures or lifeline facilities are located on, or near, a fault. The Los Osos Fault is one of the closest active faults to the San Luis Obispo area, located near the intersection of Los Osos Valley Road and Foothill Boulevard. It has been classified as active within the last 11,000 years.

**GROUND SHAKING**
Shaking can endanger lives and property by damaging or destroying structures and essential lifeline facilities. In San Luis Obispo, many faults are capable of producing strong ground motion. The San Andreas Fault and the Oceanic Fault are the most likely source of ground shaking for the San Luis Obispo area and are most likely to produce a substantial earthquake within an average lifespan.

**SETTLEMENT AND LIQUEFACTION**
Liquefaction is the sudden loss of the soil’s supporting strength due to groundwater filling and lubricating the voids in the soil as a result of ground shaking. In extreme cases of liquefaction, structures have the ability to tilt, break apart, or even sink into the ground. The soils in the San Luis Obispo area are the most susceptible to settlement and liquefaction due to underlain alluvial soils where shallow groundwater is located.

**SLOPE INSTABILITY AND LANDSLIDES**
Slope instability may result in gradual or sudden damage to buildings, roads, and utility lines. Much of the development in San Luis Obispo is in valleys, where there is low potential for slope instability. However, the city contains extensive hillsides. Several are underlain by the rocks of the Franciscan group, which is a source of significant slope instability.

http://www.slocity.org/home/showdocument?id=2254
SEISMICITY
RESPONSE SPECTRA PROPOSED

USGS-Provided Output

\[
\begin{align*}
S_s &= 1.168 \text{ g} \\
S_{MS} &= 1.206 \text{ g} \\
S_1 &= 0.445 \text{ g} \\
S_{M1} &= 0.692 \text{ g} \\
S_{DS} &= 0.804 \text{ g} \\
S_{D1} &= 0.461 \text{ g}
\end{align*}
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City of San Luis Obispo
Local Hazard Mitigation Plan

Legend

- City Limit
- Lakes and Reservoirs
- Roads
- Creek

Description
Spectral Acceleration (SA) is a unit measured in g (the acceleration due to Earth's gravity) that describes the potential maximum acceleration an object may experience during an earthquake. The natural frequency of vibration of the building is used in earthquake engineering and gives a clear approximation to the motion of a building or other structure in an earthquake than the peak ground acceleration value.

The map depicts short period spectral acceleration (0.2 seconds) designed to determine the period of motion that affects short structures (generally less than 7 stories). The potential maximum acceleration on an object in the City of San Luis Obispo ranges from 1.05 g to 1.45 g, as shown in the map on the spectrum.

Acceleration scales to the left. These acceleration levels have a 2% probability of being exceeded in the next 50 years.

Data Sources
- County Boundary (SLO County GIS)
- Lake, Reservoir, and Creek: Roads
- City Boundary (SLO City GIS)
- Spectral Acceleration (CA Geologic Survey, final_flinch Map)

Projection
- CA State Plane 1983 V FIPS 405 Feet

Disclaimer: The purpose of the data shown is for risk assessment and planning purposes only and should not be used for any detailed evaluation.

## APPENDIX: SEISMICITY

### Fault Notes

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<th>Surface Rupture</th>
<th>Additional site-specific studies may find other segments of the fault, in which case it would be appropriate for the California Department of Mines and Geology to expand the zone.</th>
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<th>Ground Shaking</th>
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### Seismicity Hazards Notes

### Response Spectra Notes
**SITE SOIL CONDITIONS**

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**ENGINEERING DATA FOR FOUNDATIONS**

All footings shall bear 27” minimum to natural grade. Slabs on grade shall be a minimum of 4” thick and above 4” of clean sand.

**WATER TABLE**

A subsurface creek may run through adjacent parcels. Exact location has not been determined but may need to be accounted for.

**POSSIBLE FOUNDATION TYPES**

**PAD FOOTINGS:** Clays expand and contract, which may cause pad footings to shift. Also, with a quick calculation, we can see that the size may be far too large for this type of footing to be considered.

**CAISSONS:** Caissons are cast in place, and therefore do not require driving equipment. They also can take large loads, and are not affected by the clay, making them a reasonable choice.

**PILES:** Piles require hammers, which can be disruptive to surrounding occupancies. So although they may work for the site once in place, they should be avoided for this project.

**MAT FOOTINGS:** Mat footings are more resistant to the swelling of clay, and can take large amounts of load. They also can serve as a slab on grade. This is another reasonable option for the project.

**ISSUES AND CONSTRAINTS**

A high expansion index means we need to be careful that rain will not collect around the perimeter of the building. This could cause the soil to swell and put excess load on foundations and bearing walls.

The USDA site also states that the soil in our area has moderate corrosion of concrete and steel, something to keep in mind when designing underground elements.
ENGINEERING SITE ANALYSIS

FOUNDATIONS

EXPANSIVE CLAY:

Soil type which expands with the addition of water, may cause structural damage to foundations or retaining walls

DESIGN STRATEGIES:

For piles - may want to pre-wet the soil in order to account for the highest expected level of expansion, but when soil shrinks, piles will still be able to withstand loads.

For slab-on-grade/mat foundation - post-tensioning of steel in the slab will make the slab stiffer and therefore, less likely to crack, building will then be able to move as one object

POTENTIAL PROBLEMS:

APPENDIX

REFERENCES

USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service

Foundation Repair Guide

ENGINEERING DATA

All footings shall bear 27” minimum to natural grade.

Slabs on grade shall be a minimum of 4” thick and above 4” of clean sand, and should have #4 @ 18” o.c. each way at mid-depth.

Site has 5-9% slope.
EXCAVATION

SITE LOCATION

LOT DIMENSIONS
EXCAVATION

VIEW FROM BRANCH STREET

- All surrounding buildings are single story
- Adjacent to a residential neighborhood
- Minimal daylight obstruction (trees only)
- ~6’ - 8’ slope in existing grade
- Site contains two parking lot entrances which will allow easy access for excavation equipment

SKY VIEW OF SURROUNDING SITE

- Represent number of stories

VIEW FROM BROAD STREET
EXCAVATION

SITE SECTIONS FOR 15’ MAX EXCAVATION ON MAIN PARCEL

- IN ORDER TO EXCAVATE TO A 15’ DEPTH, SUPPORTED (OR SHORED) VERTICAL SUPPORTS MUST BE UTILIZED.

- DEPENDING ON WHERE THE EXCAVATION IS PLACED IN RELATION TO THE PROPERTY LINE, A SLOPED

INFORMATION FROM OSHA SAFETY AND HAZARD REGULATIONS FOR CONSTRUCTION SUBPART: EXCAVATIONS

FIGURE 1. A COMMON EXCAVATION TECHNIQUE FEATURING TIMBER LAGGING AND STEEL PILES
EXCAVATION

POTENTIAL ISSUES AND CONSTRAINTS

- ADJACENT BUILDING IS LOCATED VERY CLOSE TO EXISTING BUILDING. TAKE CAUTION DURING DEMOLITION.

- MULTIPLE TREES IN FRONT OF PROPERTY.

- MAJORITY OF PROPERTY IS PAVED.
SOIL INFORMATION

- Design values used in calculations:
  - Bearing: 1000 psf
  - Lateral Passive: 100 pcf
  - Friction: 130 psf
  - Equiv. Fluid Pressure: 40 pcf
  - Expansion Index: 126 (High)
  - Soil Classifications: Clay (CH)

- City inspector shall inspect and approve all grading and excavations prior to placement of forms, reinforcing steel or concrete.

- All footings to bear 27” minimum into natural grade.

1.5 Slabs on grade, where occur, shall be a minimum of 4” thick, underlain with 4” of clean sand, and with #4 @ 18” o.c. each way at mid-depth. Refer to the architecturals for all finishes.

### IBC Section 1804: Excavation, Grading, and Fill

#### 1804.1 Excavation near foundations.
Excavation for any purpose shall not remove lateral support from any foundation without first underpinning or protecting the foundation against settlement or lateral translation.

#### 1804.2 Placement of backfill.
The excavation outside the foundation shall be backfilled with soil that is free of organic material, construction debris, cobbles and boulders or with a controlled low-strength material (CLSM). The backfill shall be placed in lifts and compacted in a manner that does not damage the foundation or the waterproofing or dampproofing material.

#### 1804.3 Site grading.
The ground immediately adjacent to the foundation shall be sloped away from the building at a slope of not less than one unit vertical in 20 units horizontal (5-percent slope) for a minimum distance of 10 feet (3048 mm) measured perpendicular to the face of the wall. If physical obstructions or lot lines prohibit 10 feet (3048 mm) of horizontal distance, a 5-percent slope shall be provided to an approved alternative method of diverting water away from the foundation. Swales used for this purpose shall be sloped a minimum of 2 percent where located within 10 feet (3048 mm) of the building foundation. Impervious surfaces within 10 feet (3048 mm) of the building foundation shall be sloped a minimum of 2 percent away from the foundation.

#### 1804.4 Grading and fill in flood hazard areas.
In flood hazard areas established in Section 1612.3, grading and/or fill shall not be approved:

1. Unless such fill is placed, compacted and sloped to minimize shifting, slumping and erosion during the rise and fall of flood water and, as applicable, wave action.

2. In floodways, unless it has been demonstrated through hydrologic and hydraulic analyses performed by a registered design professional in accordance with standard engineering practice that the proposed grading or fill, or both, will not result in any increase in flood levels during the occurrence of the design flood.

3. In flood hazard areas subject to high-velocity wave action, unless such fill is conducted and/or placed to avoid diversion of water and waves toward any building or structure.

4. Where design flood elevations are specified but floodways have not been designated, unless it has been demonstrated that the cumulative effect of the proposed flood hazard area encroachment, when combined with all other existing and anticipated flood hazard area encroachment, will not increase the design flood elevation more than 1 foot (305 mm) at any point.

#### 1804.5 Compacted fill material.
Where shallow foundations will bear on compacted fill material, the compacted fill shall comply with the provisions of an approved geotechnical report, as set forth in Section 1803.
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.7 event shared space
.8 grocery store
.9 storage | admin
1 parking entrance | retail use
2 terrace
3 event shared space
4 outdoor cooking area

(level 2)
1 terrace
2 office space
3 conference room
4 private office
5 restroom
6 shower
1 cafe
2 drink prep
3 terrace

(level 2.7)
1 mechanical parking / retail use
2 courtyard
3 basketball court
4 mechanical / shared space

(level 3)
unit layouts

1 Bedroom

2 Bedroom

3 Bedroom

2nd Level
[section | courtyard south]
Planters provide support and the soil for a variety of plants

Low impact design allows for easy expansion

The chosen perennials are excellent choices for low-water gardening, and their hardiness makes them the perfect choice for a beautiful and low maintenance green wall.

Drip irrigation system that adjust to specific water levels and plant needs
[elevation | north]
[foundation section]
[gravity]
lateral