



CITY OF NEWPORT BEACH COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT PLANNING DIVISION ACTION REPORT

TO: CITY COUNCIL, CITY MANAGER, AND PLANNING COMMISSION

FROM: Seimone Jurjis, Assistant City Manager/Community Development Director

SUBJECT: Report of actions taken by the Zoning Administrator, and/or Community Development Director for the week ending August 29, 2025.

ZONING ADMINISTRATOR PUBLIC HEARING ACTIONS AUGUST 28, 2025

Item 1: 424 Orchid LLC Residential Condominiums Tentative Parcel Map and Coastal Development Permit (PA2025-0081)

Site Address: 321 and 321 ½ Larkspur Avenue

Action: Approved by Resolution No. ZA2024-053

Council District

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Item 2: DeMore Residence Coastal Development Permit (PA2025-0032)

Site Address: 600 West Ocean Front

Action: Approved by Resolution No. ZA2024-054

Council District

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APPEAL PERIOD: An appeal or call for review may be filed with the Director of Community Development or City Clerk, as applicable, within fourteen (14) days following the date the action or decision was rendered unless a different period is specified by the Municipal Code (e.g., Title 19 allows ten (10) day appeal period for tentative parcel and tract maps, lot line adjustments, or lot mergers). For additional information on filing an appeal, contact the Planning Division at 949 644-3200.

Wendy Joe, Civilian Investigator, NBPD (*Telecom - Massage – ABC License*)

Mark Short, Police Sergeant, NBPD (*Massage – ABC License*)

RESOLUTION NO. ZA2025-053

A RESOLUTION OF THE ZONING ADMINISTRATOR OF THE CITY OF NEWPORT BEACH, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING A TENTATIVE PARCEL MAP AND COASTAL DEVELOPMENT PERMIT FOR TWO-UNIT RESIDENTIAL CONDOMINIUM PURPOSES LOCATED AT 321 AND 321 ½ LARKSPUR AVENUE (PA2025-0081)

THE ZONING ADMINISTRATOR OF THE CITY OF NEWPORT BEACH HEREBY FINDS AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. STATEMENT OF FACTS.

1. An application was filed by Matthew Watson (Applicant) on behalf of 424 Orchid LLC (Owner) with respect to property located at 321 and 321 ½ Larkspur Avenue and legally described as Lot 21 of Block 237 (Property), requesting approval of a tentative parcel map, and associated coastal development permit (CDP) for condominium purposes.
2. The Applicant requests a tentative parcel map and coastal development permit for a two-unit condominium. A duplex residence has been demolished, and a new duplex is currently under construction. The tentative parcel map will allow each unit to be sold individually. No waivers of Newport Beach Municipal Code (NBMC) Title 19 (Subdivisions) are proposed. A CDP is required because the project is located in the coastal zone (Project).
3. The Property is designated Two Unit Residential (RT) by the General Plan Land Use Plan and is located within the Two-Unit Residential (R-2) Zoning District.
4. The Property is located within the Coastal Zone. The Coastal Land Use Plan category is Two Unit Residential (RT-D – 20.0-29.9 DU/AC) and it is located within the Two-Unit Residential (R-2) Coastal Zoning District.
5. The Property is located within the Categorical Exclusion Area. Categorical Exclusion Order No. CEO20240033 was issued for the demolition of an existing duplex and construction of a new duplex. The tentative parcel map for condominium purposes requires an accompanying CDP. The Project conforms with Title 21 Local Coastal Program Implementation Plan in the NBMC.
6. A public hearing was held on August 28, 2025, online via Zoom. A notice of the time, place, and purpose of the hearing was given in accordance with the NBMC. Evidence, both written and oral, was presented to and considered by, the Zoning Administrator at this hearing.

SECTION 2. CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT DETERMINATION.

1. This Project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Section 15315 under Class 15 (Minor Land Divisions) of the CEQA Guidelines,

California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Division 6, Chapter 3 because it has no potential to have a significant effect on the environment.

2. The Class 15 exemption allows the division of property in urbanized areas zoned for residential, commercial, or industrial use into four or fewer parcels when the division is in conformance with the General Plan and Zoning, no variances or exceptions are required, all services and access to the proposed parcels are available, the parcel was not involved in a division of a larger parcel within the previous two years, and the parcel does not have an average slope greater than 20%. The Project is for a two-unit condominium subdivision and will conform to all development standards. Therefore, the Project is eligible for the Class 15 exemption.

SECTION 3. REQUIRED FINDINGS.

Tentative Parcel Map

The Zoning Administrator determined the tentative parcel map is consistent with the legislative intent of the NBMC Title 19 (Subdivisions) and is approved based on the following findings per NBMC Section 19.12.070 (Required Findings for Action on Tentative Maps):

Finding:

- A. *That the proposed map and the design or improvements of the subdivision are consistent with the General Plan and any applicable specific plan, and with applicable provisions of the Subdivision Map Act and this Subdivision Code.*

Facts in Support of Finding:

1. The Tentative Parcel Map is for two-unit residential condominium purposes. The RT and R-2 designations apply to a range of two-unit residential dwelling units such as duplexes and townhomes. The Property was previously developed as a duplex which has been demolished. A new duplex is currently under construction. The proposed subdivision and improvements will continue to be consistent with the density of the RT and R-2 designations.
2. The Property is not located within a specific plan area.

Finding:

- B. *The site is physically suitable for the type and density of development.*

Facts in Support of Finding:

1. The Property is physically suitable for a two-unit condominium development because it is regular in shape and size. An existing duplex has been demolished, and a new duplex is currently under construction, which complies with all requirements of the NBMC Title 20 (Planning and Zoning) and Title 21 (Local Coastal Program Implementation Plan).

2. The Property is accessible from Larkspur Avenue and the rear alleyway. Existing and proposed vehicular access is taken from the alley.
3. The Property is adequately served by all existing utilities to accommodate the two new dwelling units being constructed. The Project does not alter the anticipated utility demand generated from the site.

Finding:

- C. *That the design of the subdivision or the proposed improvements are not likely to cause substantial environmental damage nor substantially and avoidably injure fish or wildlife or their habitat. However, notwithstanding the foregoing, the decision-making body may nevertheless approve such a subdivision if an environmental impact report was prepared for the project and a finding was made pursuant to Section 21081 of the California Environmental Quality Act that specific economic, social, or other considerations make infeasible the mitigation measures or project alternatives identified in the environmental impact report.*

Facts in Support of Finding:

1. The Property is located within an existing residential neighborhood that does not contain any sensitive vegetation or habitat on-site.
2. This Project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Section 15315 under Class 15 (Minor Land Divisions) of the CEQA Guidelines. Section 2 of this Resolution is hereby incorporated by reference.

Finding:

- D. *That the design of the subdivision or the type of improvements is not likely to cause serious public health problems.*

Facts in Support of Finding:

1. The Project has been conditioned to require public improvements, including the reconstruction of sidewalks, curbs, and gutters along the Larkspur Avenue frontage, as needed. The utilities will be undergrounded, consistent with Title 19 (Subdivisions) of the NBMC.
2. All improvements associated with the Project will comply with all Building, Public Works, and Fire Codes, which are in place to prevent serious public health problems. Public improvements will be required of the developer per NBMC Section 19.28.010 (General Improvement Requirements) and Section 66411 (Local agencies to regulate and control design of subdivisions) of the Subdivision Map Act. All ordinances of the City and all Conditions of Approval will be complied with.

Finding:

- E. *That the design of the subdivision or the type of improvements will not conflict with easements, acquired by the public at large, for access through or use of property within the proposed subdivision. In this connection, the decision-making body may approve a map if it finds that alternate easements, for access or use, will be provided and that these easements will be substantially equivalent to ones previously acquired by the public. This finding shall apply only to easements of record or to easements established by the judgment of a court of competent jurisdiction and no authority is hereby granted to the City Council to determine that the public at large has acquired easements for access through or use of property within a subdivision.*

Fact in Support of Finding:

1. The Public Works Department has reviewed the Project and determined that the design of the development will not conflict with easements acquired by the public at large, for access through, or use of the Property within the proposed development because no public easements are located on the Property.

Finding:

- F. *That, subject to the detailed provisions of Section 66474.4 of the Subdivision Map Act, if the land is subject to a contract entered into pursuant to the California Land Conservation Act of 1965 (Williamson Act), the resulting parcels following a subdivision of the land would not be too small to sustain their agricultural use or the subdivision will result in residential development incidental to the commercial agricultural use of the land.*

Facts in Support of Finding:

1. The Property is not subject to the Williamson Act because the subject Property is not designated as an agricultural preserve and is less than 100 acres in area.
2. The Property was previously developed for residential use and is located in a zoning district that permits residential uses.

Finding:

- G. *That, in the case of a "land project" as defined in Section 11000.5 of the California Business and Professions Code: (1) there is an adopted specific plan for the area to be included within the land project, and (2) the decision-making body finds that the proposed land project is consistent with the specific plan for the area.*

Facts in Support of Finding:

1. California Business and Professions Code Section 11000.5 has been repealed by the Legislature. However, this project site is not considered a "land project" as previously

defined in Section 11000.5 of the California Business and Professions Code because the project site does not contain 50 or more parcels of land.

2. The Project is not located within a specific plan area.

Finding:

- H. That, solar access, and passive heating and cooling design requirements have been satisfied in accordance with Sections 66473.1 and 66475.3 of the Subdivision Map Act.*

Fact in Support of Finding:

1. The Tentative Parcel Map and any future improvements are subject to Title 24 of the California Building Code, which requires new construction to meet minimum heating and cooling efficiency standards depending on location and climate. The City's Building Division enforces Title 24 compliance through the plan check and inspection process.

Finding:

- I. That the subdivision is consistent with Section 66412.3 of the Subdivision Map Act and Section 65584 of the California Government Code regarding the City's share of the regional housing need and that it balances the housing needs of the region against the public service needs of the City's residents and available fiscal and environmental resources.*

Fact in Support of Finding:

1. The proposed two-unit condominiums will replace an existing duplex, which is consistent with the R-2 Zoning District and is an increase in residential density. Therefore, the tentative parcel map for condominium purposes will not negatively affect the City in meeting its regional housing need.

Finding:

- J. That the discharge of waste from the proposed subdivision into the existing sewer system will not result in a violation of existing requirements prescribed by the Regional Water Quality Control Board.*

Fact in Support of Finding:

1. The Project wastewater is designed to discharge into the existing sewer system and complies with the Regional Water Quality Control Board (RWQCB) requirements.

Finding:

- K. *For subdivisions lying partly or wholly within the Coastal Zone, the subdivision conforms with the certified Local Coastal Program and, where applicable, with public access and recreation policies of Chapter 3 of the Coastal Act.*

Fact in Support of Finding:

1. The Property is located within the Coastal Zone and a CDP is therefore requested in conjunction with the proposed Tentative Parcel Map. The Project complies with the certified Local Coastal Program (LCP) and public access and recreation policies of Chapter 3 of the Coastal Act. The Facts in Support of Findings L and M for the Coastal Development Permit (below) are hereby incorporated by reference.

Coastal Development Permit

In accordance with Section 21.52.015(F) (Coastal Development Permits - Findings and Decision) of the NBMC, the following findings, and facts in support of such findings are set forth:

Finding:

- L. *Conforms to all applicable sections of the certified Local Coastal Program.*

Facts in Support of Finding:

1. The Project is for a tentative parcel map for two-unit residential condominium purposes. A duplex has been demolished, and a new duplex is under construction. The duplex conforms to all applicable development standards, including floor area limit, setbacks, height, and off-street parking. The proposed subdivision and improvements are consistent with the allowed density of the R-2 Coastal Zoning District.
2. The Property is not located adjacent to a coastal view road, or public viewpoint as identified in the Coastal Land Use Plan (CLUP). The Project does not have the potential to degrade the visual quality of the Coastal Zone or to result insignificant adverse impacts to public view. The nearest coastal viewpoint is Inspiration Point Park, which is approximately 1,300 feet southeast of the Property. The Property and other residences along Larkspur Avenue are not located within the view shed of the coastal viewpoint or public view road.
3. The Property is not located in an area known for the potential of seismic activity. All projects are required to comply with the California Building Code and Building Division standards and policies, which include all required mitigation for seismic hazards.

Finding:

- M. *Conforms to the public access and public recreation policies of Chapter 3 of the Coastal Act if the project is located between the nearest public road and the sea or shoreline of any body of water located within the coastal zone.*

Facts in Support of Finding:

1. The Property is not located between the nearest public road and the sea or shoreline. As such, it is not necessary to evaluate consistency with the public access and public recreation policies of Chapter 3 of the Coastal Act.
2. Vertical access to the nearby Corona del Mar (CDM) State Beach is available adjacent to the site along Larkspur Avenue. Lateral access to the beach is available to the southwest and the end Larkspur Avenue where there is an access point available via the CDM Main Beach Ramp as identified by the CLUP, approximately 1,100 feet of the Property. The Project does not include any features that would obstruct access along these routes.

SECTION 4. DECISION.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

1. The Zoning Administrator of the City of Newport Beach hereby finds this project is categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act pursuant to Sections 15315 under Class 15 (Minor Land Divisions) of the CEQA Guidelines, California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Division 6, Chapter 3 because it has no potential to have a significant effect on the environment.
2. The Zoning Administrator of the City of Newport Beach hereby approves the Tentative Parcel Map and Coastal Development Permit filed as PA2025-0081, subject to the conditions set forth in Exhibit A, which is attached hereto and incorporated by reference.
3. This action on the Coastal Development Permit shall become final and effective 14 days following the date this Resolution was adopted unless within such time an appeal or call for review is filed with the Community Development Director in accordance with the provisions of Title 21 Local Coastal Implementation Plan, of the Newport Beach Municipal Code (NBMC). The project site is not located within the appeal area of the coastal zone; therefore, final action by the City may not be appealed to the California Coastal Commission.
4. The action on the Tentative Parcel Map shall become effective 10 days following the date this Resolution was adopted unless within such time and appeal is filed in accordance with the provisions of Title 19 (Subdivisions) of the NBMC.

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PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED THIS 28TH DAY OF AUGUST, 2025.



Benjamin M. Zueba, AICP, Zoning Administrator

EXHIBIT “A”**CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL****Planning Division**

1. The Project is subject to all applicable City ordinances, policies, and standards unless specifically waived or modified by the Conditions of Approval.
2. After the recordation of the Parcel Map and prior to building permit final inspection, the Applicant shall apply for a building permit for a description change of the subject project development from “duplex” to “condominium.” The development will not be condominiums until this description change permit is final.
3. The Applicant shall comply with all federal, state, and local laws. A material violation of any of those laws in connection with the use may be cause for the revocation of this tentative parcel map.
4. This approval shall expire and become void unless exercised within 24 months from the actual date of review authority approval, except where an extension of time is approved in compliance with the provisions of Title 19 (Subdivisions) and Title 21 of the Newport Beach Municipal Code.
5. Prior to the approval of the final map, a “Purpose Statement” shall be added to the map to clarify that the map is for two residential condominium units and how common areas will be owned.
6. To the fullest extent permitted by law, the applicant shall indemnify, defend and hold harmless the City, its City Council, its boards and commissions, officials, officers, employees, and agents from and against any claims, demands, obligations, damages, actions, causes of action, suits, losses, judgments, fines, penalties, liabilities, costs, and expenses (including without limitation, attorney’s fees, disbursements, and court costs) of every kind and nature whatsoever which may arise from or in any manner relate (directly or indirectly) to the City’s approval of **424 Orchid LLC Residential Condominiums, but not limited to, Tentative Parcel Map and Coastal Development Permit No. PA2025-0081**. This indemnification shall include, but not be limited to, damages awarded against the City, if any, costs of suit, attorney’s fees, and other expenses incurred in connection with such claim, action, causes of action, suit, or proceeding whether incurred by the applicant, City, and/or the parties initiating or bringing such proceeding. The applicant shall indemnify the City for all of the City’s costs, attorney’s fees, and damages that which the City incurs in enforcing the indemnification provisions set forth in this condition. The applicant shall pay to the City upon demand any amount owed to the City pursuant to the indemnification requirements prescribed in this condition.

Public Works Department

7. Prior to the building permit final inspection, a parcel map shall be recorded. The Map shall be prepared on the California coordinate system (NAD83). Prior to recordation of the Map, the surveyor/engineer preparing the Map shall submit to the County Surveyor and the City of Newport Beach a digital-graphic file of said map in a manner described in Section 7-9-330 and 7-9-337 of the Orange County Subdivision Code and Orange County Subdivision Manual, Subarticle 18. The Map to be submitted to the City of Newport Beach shall comply with the City's CADD Standards. Scanned images will not be accepted.
8. Prior to recordation of the parcel map, the surveyor/engineer preparing the map shall tie the boundary of the map into the Horizontal Control System established by the County Surveyor in a manner described in Sections 7-9-330 and 7-9-337 of the Orange County Subdivision Code and Orange County Subdivision Manual, Subarticle 18. Monuments (one inch iron pipe with tag) shall be set on each lot corner unless otherwise approved by the Subdivision Engineer. Monuments shall be protected in place if installed prior to completion of the construction project.
9. All improvements shall be constructed as required by Ordinance and the Public Works Department.
10. An encroachment permit shall be required for all work activities within the public right-of-way.
11. The existing broken and/or otherwise damaged concrete curb, gutter and sidewalk panels along the Larkspur Avenue Frontage shall be reconstructed. Additionally, any damaged concrete panels along the alley frontage shall be reconstructed.
12. All existing overhead utilities shall be undergrounded.
13. Each unit shall be served by its individual water service/meter and sewer lateral/cleanout.
14. All improvements shall comply with the City's sight distance requirement. See City Standard 110-L.
15. All private improvements shall be removed within the Larkspur Avenue frontage and turf or other drought-tolerant landscaping shall be installed within the Larkspur Avenue parkway.
16. In case of damage done to public improvements surrounding the development site by the private construction, additional reconstruction within the public right-of-way shall be required at the discretion of the Public Works Inspector.

Fire Department

17. The condominium units shall each be equipped with a residential fire sprinkler system complying with 2022 NFPA13D standards.
18. Each condominium shall have its own water meter and source to supply the fire sprinkler system.

Building Division

19. Prior to the recordation of the parcel map, separate utility services shall be required for each unit.

RESOLUTION NO. ZA2025-054

A RESOLUTION OF THE ZONING ADMINISTRATOR OF THE CITY OF NEWPORT BEACH APPROVING A COASTAL DEVELOPMENT PERMIT TO DEMOLISH AN EXISTING SINGLE-UNIT DWELLING AND CONSTRUCT A NEW THREE-STORY, SINGLE-UNIT DWELLING AND ATTACHED GARAGE LOCATED AT 600 WEST OCEAN FRONT (PA2025-0032)

THE ZONING ADMINISTRATOR OF THE CITY OF NEWPORT BEACH HEREBY FINDS AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. STATEMENT OF FACTS.

1. An application was filed by Oldham Architects, with respect to property located at 600 West Ocean Front, requesting approval of a coastal development permit (CDP).
2. The lot at 600 West Ocean Front is legally described as a portion of Lots 3, 4, and 5 of Block 9 of the East Newport Tract.
3. A request for a coastal development permit to allow the demolition of an existing single-unit dwelling and construction of a three-story 2,557-square-foot, single-unit dwelling with an attached 469-square-foot two-car garage. Additionally, the project includes landscape, hardscape, and drainage facilities. The project complies with all applicable development standards and no deviations are requested. All improvements authorized by this CDP will be located on private property.
4. The subject property is designated RS-D (Single Unit Residential Detached) by the General Plan Land Use Element and is located within the R-1 (Single-Unit Residential) Zoning District.
5. The subject property is located within the coastal zone. The Coastal Land Use Plan category is RSD-C (Single Unit Residential Detached) (10.0-19.9 DU/AC) and it is located within the R-1 (Single-Unit Residential) Coastal Zoning District.
6. A public hearing was held on August 28, 2025, online via Zoom. A notice of the time, place, and purpose of the hearing was given by the Newport Beach Municipal Code (NBMC). Evidence, both written and oral, was presented to and considered by the Zoning Administrator at this hearing.

SECTION 2. CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT DETERMINATION.

1. This project is categorically exempt pursuant to Title 14 of the California Code of Regulations Section 15303, Article 19 of Chapter 3, Guidelines for Implementation of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) under Class 3 (New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures), because it has no potential to have a significant effect on the environment.

2. The Class 3 exemption includes the demolition and construction of limited numbers of new, small structures, including one single-family residence. The project consists of the demolition of an existing single-unit dwelling and construction of a new three-story 2,557-square-foot, single-unit dwelling with an attached 469-square-foot 2-car garage.
3. The exceptions to this categorical exemption under Section 15300.2 are not applicable. The project location does not impact an environmental resource of hazardous or critical concern, does not result in cumulative impacts, does not have a significant effect on the environment due to unusual circumstances, does not damage scenic resources within a state scenic highway, is not a hazardous waste site, and is not identified as a historical resource.

SECTION 3. REQUIRED FINDINGS.

In accordance with Section 21.52.015(F) (Coastal Development Permits - Findings and Decision) of the NBMC, the following findings and facts in support of such findings are set forth:

Finding:

- A. *Conforms to all applicable sections of the certified Local Coastal Program (LCP).*

Facts in Support of Finding:

1. The proposed development complies with applicable residential development standards including, but not limited to, floor area limitation, setbacks, height, and parking.
 - a. The maximum floor area limitation is 3,164 square feet and the proposed floor area is 3,026 square feet.
 - b. The proposed development provides the minimum required setbacks, which are 6 feet along the front property line, 3 feet along each side property line, and 10 feet along the rear property line. Pursuant to Chapter 20.70 (Definitions) of the NBMC, the rear property line is the line that runs parallel to the front lot line and does not intersect the front lot line. In the case of this property, the rear lot line is identified as the 20-foot-long lot line farthest from the front property line.
 - c. The highest guardrail is 24 feet from the established grade of 13 feet North American Vertical Datum of 1988 (NAVD88) and the highest ridge is no more than 29 feet from the established grade, which complies with the maximum height requirements.
 - d. The project includes garage parking for a total of two vehicles, complying with the minimum two-car garage parking requirement for single-unit dwellings with less than 4,000 square feet of habitable floor area.
2. The neighborhood is predominantly developed with two- and three-story, single-unit dwellings. The proposed design, bulk, and scale of the development is consistent with the existing neighborhood pattern of development.

3. A Coastal Hazards Report and Sea Level Rise Analysis was prepared by Skelly Engineering on January 3, 2024. The project site is separated from the water by a wide sandy beach and the site is approximately 400 feet from the mean high tide line. The report concludes that the highest high tide elevation (currently 7.7 feet North American Vertical Datum of 1988 [NAVD 88]) will not exceed 10.9 feet (NAVD 88) using the low-risk aversion projected sea level rise (3.2-foot increase) over the 75-year design life of the structure based on estimates for sea level rise provided by the State of California, Sea-Level Rise Guidance: 2018 Update. The finish floor elevation of the proposed dwelling is 13 feet (NAVD 88) which complies with the minimum 9.00-foot (NAVD 88) elevation standard. Additionally, the site has not historically been subject to any wave overtopping, nor is overtopping waters over the next 75 years expected to reach the subject site, even under extreme conditions. Based on the data provided, the study does not provide any recommendations for shoreline protection devices and concludes that coastal hazards will not impact the property over the next 75 years.
4. Under NBMC Section 21.30.030(C)(3)(i)(iv) (Natural Landform and Shoreline Protection), the property owner will be required to agree with the City waiving any potential right to protection to address situations in the future in which the development is threatened with damage or destruction by coastal hazards (e.g., waves, erosion, and sea level rise). The Waiver of Future Protection is included as a condition of approval that will need to be satisfied before the final building inspection.
5. The property owner will also be required to acknowledge any hazards present at the site and unconditionally waive any claim to damage or liability against the decision authority, consistent with NBMC Section 21.30.015(D)(3)(c) (General Site Planning and Development Standards). The Acknowledgement of Coastal Hazards is included as a condition of approval that will need to be satisfied before the issuance of building permits.
6. The Property is in an area known for the potential of seismic activity and liquefaction. All projects are required to comply with the California Building Code (CBC) and Building Division standards and policies. Geotechnical investigations specifically addressing liquefaction are required to be reviewed and approved before the issuance of building permits. Permit issuance is also contingent on the inclusion of design mitigation identified in the investigations. Construction plans are reviewed for compliance with approved investigations and CBC before building permit issuance.
7. The property is adjacent to the beach and approximately 400 feet from the mean high tide line. Under Section 21.35.030 (Construction Pollution Prevention Plan) of the Municipal Code, a Construction Pollution Prevention Plan (CPPP) is required to implement temporary Best Management Practices (BMPs) during construction to minimize erosion and sedimentation and to minimize pollution of runoff and coastal waters derived from construction chemicals and materials. A CPPP has been provided, and construction plans and activities will be required to adhere to the CPPP.
8. The project design addresses water quality with a construction erosion control plan and a post-construction drainage system that includes drainage and percolation features designed to retain dry weather runoff and minor rain event runoff on-site. Any water not retained on-site is directed to the City's storm drain system.

9. Proposed landscaping complies with Implementation Plan Section 21.30.075 (Landscaping). A condition of approval is included that requires drought-tolerant species. Before the issuance of building permits, the final landscape plans will be reviewed to verify that invasive species are not planted.
10. The project site is not located adjacent to a coastal view road, public viewpoint, public park, or public accessway, as identified in the Coastal Land Use Plan. The project site is located adjacent to a public beach and is visible from the beach. The project may be located within the viewshed of other distant public viewing areas. The project will replace an existing single-unit dwelling with a new single-unit dwelling that complies with all applicable LCP development standards and maintains a building envelope consistent with the existing neighborhood pattern of development. Additionally, the project does not contain any features that could degrade the visual quality of the coastal zone.
11. The front and side of the proposed residence, which are visible from the public beach, contain substantial architectural treatment and visual interest, in keeping with the design guidelines of the Zoning Code. The new structure would comply with the required setbacks, including modulation of volume in the front with architectural articulation and on the 6th Street side with an open deck. Therefore, the project does not have the potential to degrade the visual quality of the coastal zone or result in significant adverse impacts on existing public views.

Finding:

- B. *Conforms with the public access and public recreation policies of Chapter 3 of the Coastal Act if the project is located between the nearest public road and the sea or shoreline of any body of water located within the coastal zone.*

Facts in Support of Finding:

1. The project site is located on the Balboa Peninsula between the nearest public road and the sea or shoreline. Implementation Plan Section 21.30A.040 (Determination of Public Access/Recreation Impacts) requires that the provision of public access bear a reasonable relationship between the requirement and the project's impact and be proportional to the impact. In this case, the project replaces an existing single-unit dwelling with a new single-unit dwelling and attached accessory dwelling unit. The project does not involve a change in land use, density or intensity that will result in increased demand on public access and recreation opportunities. Furthermore, the project is designed and sited so as not to block or impede existing public access opportunities.
2. The project site is located between 6th Street and 7th Street. These street ends provide access to the beach and are identified by the Coastal Land Use Plan as vertical access locations. The project does not interfere with the existing nearby access to the beach. Lateral access is provided along the boardwalk in front of the property. The project is located within private property and would not impact access along the beach.
3. The property is not located adjacent to an alley and does not take access via an alley. Currently, there is a curb cut along 6th Street that provides entry to an existing one-car

garage and an adjacent open area. The proposed project includes the construction of a new driveway that will reduce the width of the existing driveway opening and conform to the City's maximum allowable width for two-car garages. City Standard 805 requires public on-street parallel parking spaces to be a minimum of 22 feet in length per vehicle. Currently, the available public on-street parking space provides sufficient space for only a single vehicle to park given it is approximately 37 feet long. As a result, no on-street parking will be impacted or removed by the project.

SECTION 4. DECISION.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

1. The Zoning Administrator of the City of Newport Beach hereby finds this Project is categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act under Section 15303 under Class 3 (New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures) of the CEQA Guidelines, California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Division 6, Chapter 3 because it has no potential to have a significant effect on the environment.
2. The Zoning Administrator of the City of Newport Beach hereby approves Coastal Development Permit (PA2025-0032), subject to the conditions outlined in Exhibit "A," which is attached hereto and incorporated by reference.
3. This action shall become final and effective 14 days following the date this Resolution was adopted unless within such time an appeal or call for review is filed with the Community Development Director by the provisions of Title 21 Local Coastal Program (LCP) Implementation Plan, of the Newport Beach Municipal Code. Final action taken by the City may be appealed to the Coastal Commission in compliance with Section 21.64.035 (Appeal to the Coastal Commission) of the City's certified LCP and Title 14 California Code of Regulations, Sections 13111 through 13120, and Section 30603 of the Coastal Act.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED THIS 28TH DAY OF AUGUST, 2025.



Benjamin M. Zueba, AICP, Zoning Administrator

EXHIBIT “A”

CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL

Planning Division

1. The development shall be in substantial conformance with the approved site plan, floor plans, and building elevations stamped and dated with the date of this approval (except as modified by applicable conditions of approval).
2. *Prior to the final building permit inspection, an agreement in a form approved by the City Attorney between the property owner and the City shall be executed and recorded waiving rights to the construction of future shoreline protection devices to address the threat of damage or destruction from waves, erosion, storm conditions, landslides, seismic activity, bluff retreat, sea level rise, or other natural hazards that may affect the property, or development of the property, today or in the future. The agreement shall be binding against the property owners and successors and assigns.*
3. *Prior to the issuance of a building permit, the property owner shall submit a notarized signed letter acknowledging all hazards present at the site, assuming the risk of injury or damage from such hazards, unconditionally waiving any claims of damage against the City from such hazards, and to indemnify and hold harmless the City, its City Council, its boards and commissions, officials, officers, employees, and agents from and against any claims, demands, obligations, damages, actions, causes of action, suits, losses, judgments, fines, penalties, liabilities, costs, and expenses (including without limitation, attorney’s fees, disbursements, and court costs) of every kind and nature whatsoever which may arise from or in any manner relate (directly or indirectly) to City’s approval of the development. This letter shall be scanned into the plan set before building permit issuance.*
4. No demolition or construction materials, equipment debris, or waste shall be placed or stored in a location that would enter the sensitive habitat, receiving waters, or storm drains or result in impacts to environmentally sensitive habitat areas, streams, the beach, wetlands or their buffers. No demolition or construction materials shall be stored on public property.
5. This Coastal Development Permit does not authorize any development seaward of the private property.
6. The Applicant is responsible for compliance with the Migratory Bird Treaty Act (MBTA). In compliance with the MBTA, grading, brush removal, building demolition, tree trimming, and similar construction activities shall occur between August 16 and January 31, outside of the peak nesting period. If such activities must occur inside the peak nesting season from February 1 to August 15, compliance with the following is required to prevent the taking of native birds under MBTA:
 - A. The construction area shall be inspected for active nests. If birds are observed flying from a nest or sitting on a nest, it can be assumed that the nest is active. Construction

activity within 300 feet of an active nest shall be delayed until the nest is no longer active. Continue to observe the nest until the chicks have left the nest and activity is no longer observed. When the nest is no longer active, construction activity can continue in the nest area.

B. It is a violation of state and federal law to kill or harm a native bird. To ensure compliance, consider hiring a biologist to assist with the survey for nesting birds, and to determine when it is safe to commence construction activities. If an active nest is found, one or two short follow-up surveys will be necessary to check on the nest and determine when the nest is no longer active.

7. Best Management Practices (BMPs) and Good Housekeeping Practices (GHPs) shall be implemented before and throughout the duration of construction activity as designated in the Construction Erosion Control Plan.
8. The discharge of any hazardous materials into storm sewer systems or receiving waters shall be prohibited. Machinery and equipment shall be maintained and washed in confined areas specifically designed to control runoff. A designated fueling and vehicle maintenance area with appropriate berms and protection to prevent spillage shall be provided as far away from storm drain systems or receiving waters as possible.
9. Debris from demolition shall be removed from work areas each day and removed from the project site within 24 hours of the completion of the project. Stockpiles and construction materials shall be covered, enclosed on all sites, not stored in contact with the soil, and located as far away as possible from drain inlets and any waterway.
10. Trash and debris shall be disposed of in proper trash and recycling receptacles at the end of each construction day. Solid waste, including excess concrete, shall be disposed of in adequate disposal facilities at a legal disposal site or recycled at a recycling facility.
11. Revisions to the approved plans may require an amendment to this Coastal Development Permit or the processing of a new coastal development permit.
12. The project is subject to all applicable City ordinances, policies, and standards unless specifically waived or modified by the conditions of approval.
13. The Applicant shall comply with all federal, state, and local laws. A material violation of any of those laws in connection with the use may be caused by the revocation of this Coastal Development Permit.
14. This Coastal Development Permit may be modified or revoked by the Zoning Administrator if determined that the proposed uses or conditions under which it is being operated or maintained are detrimental to the public health, and welfare or materially injurious to property or improvements in the vicinity or if the property is operated or maintained to constitute a public nuisance.

15. *Prior to the issuance of building permits, the Applicant shall submit a final construction erosion control plan. The plan shall be subject to review and approval by the Building Division.*
16. *Prior to the issuance of building permits, the Applicant shall submit a final drainage and grading plan. The plan shall be subject to review and approval by the Building Division.*
17. *Prior to issuance of a building permit, a copy of the Resolution, including conditions of approval Exhibit "A" shall be incorporated into the Building Division and field sets of plans.*
18. *Prior to the issuance of a building permit, the Applicant shall submit a final landscape and irrigation plan. These plans shall incorporate drought-tolerant plantings, non-invasive plant species, and water-efficient irrigation design. The plans shall be approved by the Planning Division.*
19. All landscape materials and irrigation systems shall be maintained by the approved landscape plan. All landscaped areas shall be maintained in a healthy and growing condition and shall receive regular pruning, fertilizing, mowing, and trimming. All landscaped areas shall be kept free of weeds and debris. All irrigation systems shall be kept operable, including adjustments, replacements, repairs, and cleaning as part of regular maintenance.
20. Construction activities shall comply with Section 10.28.040 (Construction Activity – Noise Regulations) of the Newport Beach Municipal Code, which restricts hours of noise-generating construction activities that produce noise to between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 6:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. Noise-generating construction activities are not allowed on Saturdays, Sundays, or Holidays.
21. All noise generated by the proposed use shall comply with the provisions of Chapter 10.26 (Community Noise Control) and other applicable noise control requirements of the Newport Beach Municipal Code.
22. *Prior to the issuance of a building permit, the Applicant shall pay any unpaid administrative costs associated with the processing of this application to the Planning Division.*
23. Should the property be sold or otherwise come under different ownership, any future owners or assignees shall be notified of the conditions of this approval by the current property owner or agent.
24. This Coastal Development Permit (PA2025-0032) shall expire unless exercised within 24 months from the date of approval as specified in Section 21.54.060 (Time Limits and Extensions) of the Newport Beach Municipal Code, unless an extension is otherwise granted.
25. To the fullest extent permitted by law, the Applicant shall indemnify, defend and hold harmless the City, its City Council, its boards and commissions, officials, officers,

employees, and agents from and against any claims, demands, obligations, damages, actions, causes of action, suits, losses, judgments, fines, penalties, liabilities, costs, and expenses (including without limitation, attorney's fees, disbursements, and court costs) of every kind and nature whatsoever which may arise from or in any manner relate (directly or indirectly) to City's approval of **DeMore Residence, including but not limited to, Coastal Development Permit (PA2025-0032)**. This indemnification shall include, but not be limited to, damages awarded against the City, if any, costs of suit, attorney's fees, and other expenses incurred in connection with such claim, action, causes of action, suit, or proceeding whether incurred by the Applicant, City, and/or the parties initiating or bringing such proceeding. The Applicant shall indemnify the City for all the City's costs, attorneys' fees, and damages, which the City incurs in enforcing the indemnification provisions outlined in this condition. The Applicant shall pay to the City upon demand any amount owed to the City under the indemnification requirements prescribed in this condition.

Public Works Department

26. The existing driveway shall be plugged in accordance with City Standard 165, and the new two car driveway shall be installed in accordance with City Standard 162.
27. No loss of on-street parking is permitted with the new driveway configuration.
28. All utilities shall be installed to City Standard.
29. The Applicant shall obtain an encroachment permit for all work within the public right of way.

Fire Prevention Division

30. A residential fire sprinkler system complying with 2022 NFPA 13D shall be required to be installed.