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6 Josephine APN: 065-211-07 Extension of DR/CUP/EA 13-037

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The City of Sausalito Zoning Administrator has provided us with an opportunity to speak out prior to the public hearing on December 30, 2015. Attached please find my response to the request for an extension at 6 Josephine.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

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December 26, 2015

Mr. Joshua Montemayor Assistant Planner City of Sausalito City Hall 420 Litho Street Sausalito CA 94965

Re: APN: 065-211-07 Extension of DR/CUP/EA 13-037

Dear Mr. Montemayor:

This letter is in response to the request by Michael Rex Architects on behalf of #6 Josephine property owners Jane and Dean Woodman for a one-year extension of a previously approved Design Review Permit and Encroachment Agreement.

As a next door neighbor on Josephine, I am concerned about the physical condition of the Woodmans' home and the possible repercussions on the health of my daughter and myself, as well as that of the neighborhood and our city.

6 Josephine was already vacant and considered a tear-down when we moved to #8 Josephine in November, 2013. Over the past year, however, the property has gone from being an unfortunate eyesore to becoming a health hazard -- a breeding ground for rats. I know this because the vermin have invaded our home, destroying furniture, spreading droppings, and forcing me to spend hundreds of dollars on removal of contaminated household goods. There had not been an extermination problem previously.

In addition to the growing rat population, there is a mystery stench emanating from the strip of property between #8 and #6.

We fear that when the house is finally demolished, there will be hell to pay in terms of our habitability, as the pests (bugs, rats) currently nesting in this quasi-abandoned property are released. Due to the fact that the property stretches down the slope toward Bridgeway and abuts the city's stairway, we wonder if these habitability issues will viralize beyond the parcel.

Lead paint and mold are also possible concerns.

We do not wish to stand in the way of progress on the sale and rebuilding of this once beautiful property. Nor do we wish any ill feelings toward the Woodmans. But we do request that the city health department or those accountable for the health of Sausalito's citizens make an effort to inspect this property and ensure that while we are waiting for new owners, we are safe and protected.

Respectfully.

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