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CITY COUNCIL MEETING

May 18, 2021

- L.1.** PUBLIC HEARING FOR CONSIDERATION OF AN APPEAL OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION DECISION APPROVING THE REQUEST FOR AN ACCESSORY STRUCTURE'S ROOF ATTACHED TO THE REAR ELEVATION OF THE MAIN HOME WITHIN THE REAR SETBACK OF THE REAR UNIT OF AN EXISTING 2-UNIT RESIDENTIAL CONDOMINIUM DEVELOPMENT ON PROPERTY LOCATED WITHIN A LOW-DENSITY MULTIPLE-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL (R-2) ZONE AT 2015 SPEYER LANE UNIT B.

CONTACT: BRANDY FORBES, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR

- Letter in support of applicants (property owners)

Dear Redondo Beach City Council,

My name is Susan Corey and I lived in the front unit at 2015 Speyer Lane Unit A from 2003–2018 over 15 years. My husband Jules and I occupied this home and lived in the front unit of the Sufnar Family. My husband passed away in 2014 at the age of 83 and I had to make one of the most difficult decisions of my life which was to move from our beloved home at 2015 Speyer Lane. I would leave behind all the memories at this home and the Sufnars which had become family to me.

Matt & Cory along with their children Luke & Sophie are family and instantly welcomed me to Speyer Lane with open arms. Cory & Matt have helped me through the most difficult times in my life including the death of husband and the sale of my home on Speyer Lane. Cory helped to arrange an estate sale for me and even helped to secure the lease on my new home that I am living in now. This is the type of family they are. In that 15 years on Speyer Lane, Cory & Matt were always very conscientious regarding the upkeep of both of our homes. She would get quotes for fence replacements, house painting, termite inspections, landscape maintenance, plumbing repairs etc.... Not only would she get quotes but she would manage all of it for both houses. We both had a strong sense of pride in our homes and we both felt it was important to set an example to uphold this example to our community.

Cory and I have had many conversations over the years expressing our frustration with many of the homes that were in our neighborhood including our block on Speyer Lane. Homes that have been red tagged, homes that have large RV's parked out front, cement mixers in their yard, houses with feral cats, homes with debris and garbage visible to the street frontage etc..... It is so hard for me to wrap my head around how any resident that would complain about the enhancements to the Sufnars home and backyard. The one neighbor causing all these problems for them, falls into that same category of those we use to complain about all the time. Homeowners that do not maintain the upkeep of their home.

The Sufnars are the most kind, respectful neighbors anyone could ever ask for. They treat everyone with respect and are heavily involved in the community and the well-being of their family and helping others. I would like to show my deepest support for their home and all their backyard renovations. The Sufnars are the type of neighbors that Redondo Beach should support and embrace. Their improvements add tremendous value not only to their home but the overall neighborhood and should be supported.

Thank you for your time and consideration,

Susan Corey

Former 2015 Speyer Lane # A homeowner