May 19, 2023

SUBJECT: Approval Letter: Design Review Approval for a 575-square-foot garage addition located at 9878 Inwood Drive (DRDL23-00019)

The City of Folsom Community Development Department (CDD) has reviewed an application for Design Review of a 575-square-foot garage addition located at 9878 Inwood Drive. There is an attached Accessory Dwelling Unit to the garage, but as it is less than 16’ in height and 800-square-feet in size, it is exempt from Design Review. The CDD has made the decision to conditionally approve the application based on the following findings:

- The project is compliant with the General Plan, the Zoning Ordinance, and all applicable Specific Plans;
- The project is in conformance with all applicable city-wide design guidelines;
- The project is in conformance with all applicable project-specific design guidelines and standards approved through the Planned Development Permit process or similar review process;
- The project provides compatibility of building materials, textures, and colors with surrounding development and consistency with the general design theme of the neighborhood.
- The project is categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) under Section 15303 (New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures) of the CEQA Guidelines.

The project is subject to the following condition(s) of approval:

1. The proposal shall be in conformance with the submitted drawings and colors/materials board dated March 13, 2023, on file with the Community Development Department.

2. A Building Permit is required. Please note on the elevations of the plans submitted for a building permit that the exterior colors, materials and level of window trim of the addition shall match that of the existing residence.

3. Tree permits and a tree protection plan shall be required to protect existing onsite oak trees and account for tree impacts from the proposed development activities.
The tree protection plan shall be prepared in collaboration with a qualified arborist and shall be subject to review and approval by the CDD. The tree protection plan shall contain the contact information of the project arborist and shall be included in all associated plan sets for the project.

4. If any protected trees, as defined in Chapter 12.16 of the Folsom Municipal Code, are to be affected by construction of the proposed project, a tree permit would be required.

5. If a complete application for a building permit is not submitted within two years of this approval, this design review approval will expire.

The application is subject to a ten-day appeal period which commences on May 19, 2023 and ends on May 29, 2023. Should you have any questions regarding this letter, please do not hesitate to call me at (916) 461-6238 or email me at bgustafson@folsom.ca.us.

Best regards,
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