



**City of Portland, Oregon**  
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**Land Use Services**

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**Date:** April 8, 2014  
**To:** Interested Person  
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**NOTICE OF A TYPE I DECISION ON A PROPOSAL IN YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD**

The Bureau of Development Services has a **approved** proposal in your neighborhood. The reasons for the decision are included in the version located on the BDS website <http://www.portlandonline.com/bds/index.cfm?c=46429>. Click on the District Coalition then scroll to the relevant Neighborhood, and case number. If you disagree with the decision, you can appeal. Information on how to do so is included at the end of this decision.

**CASE FILE NUMBER: LU 14-126176 HR - BALCONY RAIL**

**GENERAL INFORMATION**

**Owner:** Cheryl Strayed  
2440 NE 25th Avenue  
Portland, OR 97212-4836

**Applicant:** Michael Howells  
Howells Architecture  
4133 SE 34th Avenue  
Portland, OR 97202

**Representative:** Gregor Mitchell  
The Works  
1303 SE 6th Avenue  
Portland, OR 97214

**Site Address:** 2440 NE 25<sup>th</sup> Avenue

**Legal Description:** BLOCK 3 LOT 1-3, BRAZEE ST ADD  
**Tax Account No.:** R098900500  
**State ID No.:** 1N1E25CB 06000  
**Quarter Section:** 2833  
**Neighborhood:** Irvington, contact Dean Gisvold at 503-284-3885.  
**Business District:** North-Northeast Business Assoc, contact Joice Taylor at 503-445-1321.  
**District Coalition:** Northeast Coalition of Neighborhoods, contact Claire Adamsick at 503-388-9030.  
**Other Designations:** Contributing resource in the Irvington Historic District, which was listed in the National Register of Historic Places on October 22, 2010.

**Zoning:** R5, Single-dwelling residential with Historic Resource Overlay  
**Case Type:** HR, Historic Resource Review

**Procedure:** Type I, an administrative decision with appeal to the Oregon Land Use Board of Appeals (LUBA).

**Proposal:**

The applicant is seeking Historic Resource Review for a proposal to install new, wooden guardrail in the three openings of a roofed, street-facing balcony structure on a contributing house in the Irvington Historic District. Historic Resource Review is required because the proposal is for non-exempt exterior alterations in a historic district.

**Approval Criteria:**

In order to be approved, this proposal must comply with the approval criteria specified in the Portland Zoning Code (Title 33 of the Portland City Code). The approval criteria are:

- 33.846.060 G Other Approval Criteria

## ANALYSIS

**Site and Vicinity:** The subject property, a two-and-a-half story stucco-clad Craftsman Style house with Italian Renaissance influences, was built in 1913. It is centered on a 100' x 75' lot. The National Register of Historic Places documentation for the Irvington Historic District evaluates the building as a contributing resource within the historic context.

Platted in the late Nineteenth Century, today's Irvington Historic District represents the first additions to Portland that employed restrictive covenants from the outset. These included the exclusion of most non-residential uses from the interior of the neighborhood, and where non-residential uses were allowed, such as the fire station and the telephone exchange, the buildings were purposely disguised to appear more residential in character. Other deed restrictions excluded minority groups, established uniform front setbacks, and required minimum expenditure on new buildings. The area developed generally from southwest to northeast and its growth was greatly influenced by the installation of streetcar lines that introduced an easy commuting option to downtown.

The contributing resources in Irvington range in design character from expressions of the late Victorian Era styles, especially Queen Anne, through the many Period Revival modes of the early decades of the Twentieth Century, to a few early modernist examples. There is also a wide diversity in the sizes of lots and houses. In terms of the streetscape, the numbered north-south avenues in Irvington vary dramatically in width, and they mostly form rather long block faces which the houses generally face. The named east-west street block faces are more consistent in length, almost all being traditional 200' Portland blocks. All are lined with mature street trees. Original development in many cases included garages or other accessory structures, typically facing side streets on corner lots and accessed by a variety of driveway types on mid-block sites. Garages that were added within the historic period, were sometimes built at the sidewalk and/or out of architectural character with the house.

**Zoning:** The single-dwelling zones, including R5, are intended to preserve land for housing and to provide housing opportunities for individual households. The zones implement the comprehensive plan policies and designations for single-dwelling housing.

The Historic Resource Overlay zone protects certain historic resources in the region and preserves significant parts of the region's heritage. The regulations implement Portland's Comprehensive Plan policies that address historic preservation. These policies recognize the role historic resources have in promoting the education and enjoyment of those living in and visiting the region. The regulations foster pride among the region's citizens in their city and its heritage. Historic preservation beautifies the city, promotes the city's economic health, and helps to preserve and enhance the value of historic properties.

**Land Use History:** City records indicate there are no prior land use reviews for this site.

**Public Notice:** A "Notice of Proposal in Your Neighborhood" was mailed March 19, 2014.

**Neighborhood Review:** One written response was received from either the Neighborhood Association or notified property owners in response to the proposal.

- Dean Gisvold, on behalf of the Irvington Community Association Land Use Committee, wrote on March 31, 2014 with no objections to the proposal.

## ZONING CODE APPROVAL CRITERIA

### Chapter 33.846.060 - Historic Resource Review

#### **Purpose of Historic Resource Review**

Historic Resource Review ensures the conservation and enhancement of the special characteristics of historic resources.

#### **Historic Resource Review Approval Criteria**

Requests for Historic Resource Review will be approved if the review body finds the applicant has shown that all of the approval criteria have been met.

**Findings:** The site is within the Irvington Historic District and the proposal is for non-exempt treatment. Therefore Historic Resource Review approval is required. The approval criteria are those listed in 33.846.060 G – *Other Approval Criteria*.

*Staff has considered all guidelines and addressed only those applicable to this proposal.*

### 33.846.060 G - Other Approval Criteria

**1. Historic character.** The historic character of the property will be retained and preserved. Removal of historic materials or alteration of features and spaces that contribute to the property's historic significance will be avoided.

**8. Architectural compatibility.** New additions, exterior alterations, or related new construction will be compatible with the resource's massing, size, scale, and architectural features. When retrofitting buildings or sites to improve accessibility for persons with disabilities, design solutions will not compromise the architectural integrity of the historic resource.

**10. Hierarchy of compatibility.** Exterior alterations and additions will be designed to be compatible primarily with the original resource, secondarily with adjacent properties, and finally, if located within a Historic or Conservation District, with the rest of the district. Where practical, compatibility will be pursued on all three levels.

**Findings for 1, 8, and 10:** The proposed addition of new 19.5" high wooden guardrails atop the existing walls in the openings of a balcony likely reinstates a higher railing configuration at these locations, given that the existing wall is exceptionally low at 22.5". The existing historic character will be affected to only a very minor extent and not adversely. The proposed new railing also achieves compatibility, both with the house itself and the historic context, by taking cues of thickness and degree of opacity from the massiveness of the porch/balcony itself. *These criteria are met.*

## DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS

Unless specifically required in the approval criteria listed above, this proposal does not have to meet the development standards in order to be approved during this review process. The plans submitted for a building or zoning permit must demonstrate that all development standards of Title 33 can be met, or have received an Adjustment or Modification via a land use review prior to the approval of a building or zoning permit.

## CONCLUSIONS

The purpose of the Historic Resource Review process is to ensure that additions, new construction, and exterior alterations to historic resources do not compromise their ability to convey historic significance. This proposal meets the applicable Historic Resource Review criteria and therefore warrants approval.

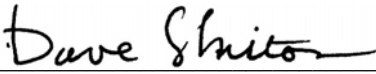
## ADMINISTRATIVE DECISION

Approval of new balcony guardrails on a contributing resource in the Irvington Historic District;

Approval is per Exhibits C-1 through C-4, signed and dated April 3, 2014, subject to the following condition:

- A. As part of the building permit application submittal, each of the 4 required site plans and any additional drawings must reflect the information and design approved by this land use review as indicated in Exhibits C-1 through C-4. The sheets on which this information appears must be labeled, "Proposal and design as approved in Case File # LU 14-126176 HR."

**Staff Planner: Dave Skilton**

**Decision rendered by:**  **on April 3, 2014.**  
By authority of the Director of the Bureau of Development Services

**Decision mailed: April 8, 2014**

**Procedural Information.** The application for this land use review was submitted on March 12, 2014, and was determined to be complete on March 17, 2014.

*Zoning Code Section 33.700.080* states that Land Use Review applications are reviewed under the regulations in effect at the time the application was submitted, provided that the application is complete at the time of submittal, or complete within 180 days. Therefore this application was reviewed against the Zoning Code in effect on March 12, 2014.

*ORS 227.178* states the City must issue a final decision on Land Use Review applications within 120-days of the application being deemed complete. The 120-day review period may be waived or extended at the request of the applicant. In this case, the applicant did not waive or extend the 120-day review period.

**Some of the information contained in this report was provided by the applicant.**

As required by Section 33.800.060 of the Portland Zoning Code, the burden of proof is on the applicant to show that the approval criteria are met. The Bureau of Development Services has independently reviewed the information submitted by the applicant and has included this information only where the Bureau of Development Services has determined the information satisfactorily demonstrates compliance with the applicable approval criteria. This report is the decision of the Bureau of Development Services with input from other City and public agencies.

**Conditions of Approval.** If approved, this project may be subject to a number of specific conditions, listed above. Compliance with the applicable conditions of approval must be documented in all related permit applications. Plans and drawings submitted during the permitting process must illustrate how applicable conditions of approval are met. Any project elements that are specifically required by conditions of approval must be shown on the plans, and labeled as such.

These conditions of approval run with the land, unless modified by future land use reviews. As used in the conditions, the term “applicant” includes the applicant for this land use review, any person undertaking development pursuant to this land use review, the proprietor of the use or development approved by this land use review, and the current owner and future owners of the property subject to this land use review.

**This decision, and any conditions associated with it, is final.** It may be appealed to the Oregon Land Use Board of Appeals (LUBA), within 21 days of the date the decision is mailed, as specified in the Oregon Revised Statute (ORS) 197.830. Among other things, ORS 197.830 requires that a petitioner at LUBA must have submitted written testimony during the comment period for this land use review. Contact LUBA at 775 Summer St NE Suite 330, Salem, OR 97301-1283 or phone 1-503-373-1265 for further information.

The file and all evidence on this case are available for your review by appointment only. Please call the Request Line at our office, 1900 SW Fourth Avenue, Suite 5000, phone 503-823-7617, to schedule an appointment. I can provide some information over the phone. Copies of all information in the file can be obtained for a fee equal to the cost of services. Additional information about the City of Portland, city bureaus, and a digital copy of the Portland Zoning Code is available on the internet at [www.portlandonline.com](http://www.portlandonline.com).

**Recording the final decision.**

If this Land Use Review is approved, the final decision must be recorded with the Multnomah County Recorder. A building or zoning permit will be issued only after the final decision is recorded. The final decision may be recorded on or after **April 8, 2014**. The applicant, builder, or a representative may record the final decision as follows:

- By Mail: Send the two recording sheets (sent in separate mailing) and the final Land Use Review decision with a check made payable to the Multnomah County Recorder to: Multnomah County Recorder, P.O. Box 5007, Portland OR 97208. The recording fee is identified on the recording sheet. Please include a self-addressed, stamped envelope.
- In Person: Bring the two recording sheets (sent in separate mailing) and the final Land Use Review decision with a check made payable to the Multnomah County Recorder to the County Recorder’s office located at 501 SE Hawthorne Boulevard, #158, Portland OR 97214. The recording fee is identified on the recording sheet.

For further information on recording, please call the County Recorder at 503-988-3034. For further information on your recording documents please call the Bureau of Development Services Land Use Services Division at 503-823-0625.

**Expiration of this approval.** An approval expires three years from the date the final decision is rendered unless a building permit has been issued, or the approved activity has begun.

Where a site has received approval for multiple developments, and a building permit is not issued for all of the approved development within three years of the date of the final decision, a new land use review will be required before a permit will be issued for the remaining development, subject to the Zoning Code in effect at that time.

**Applying for your permits.** A building permit, occupancy permit, or development permit may be required before carrying out an approved project. At the time they apply for a permit, permittees must demonstrate compliance with:

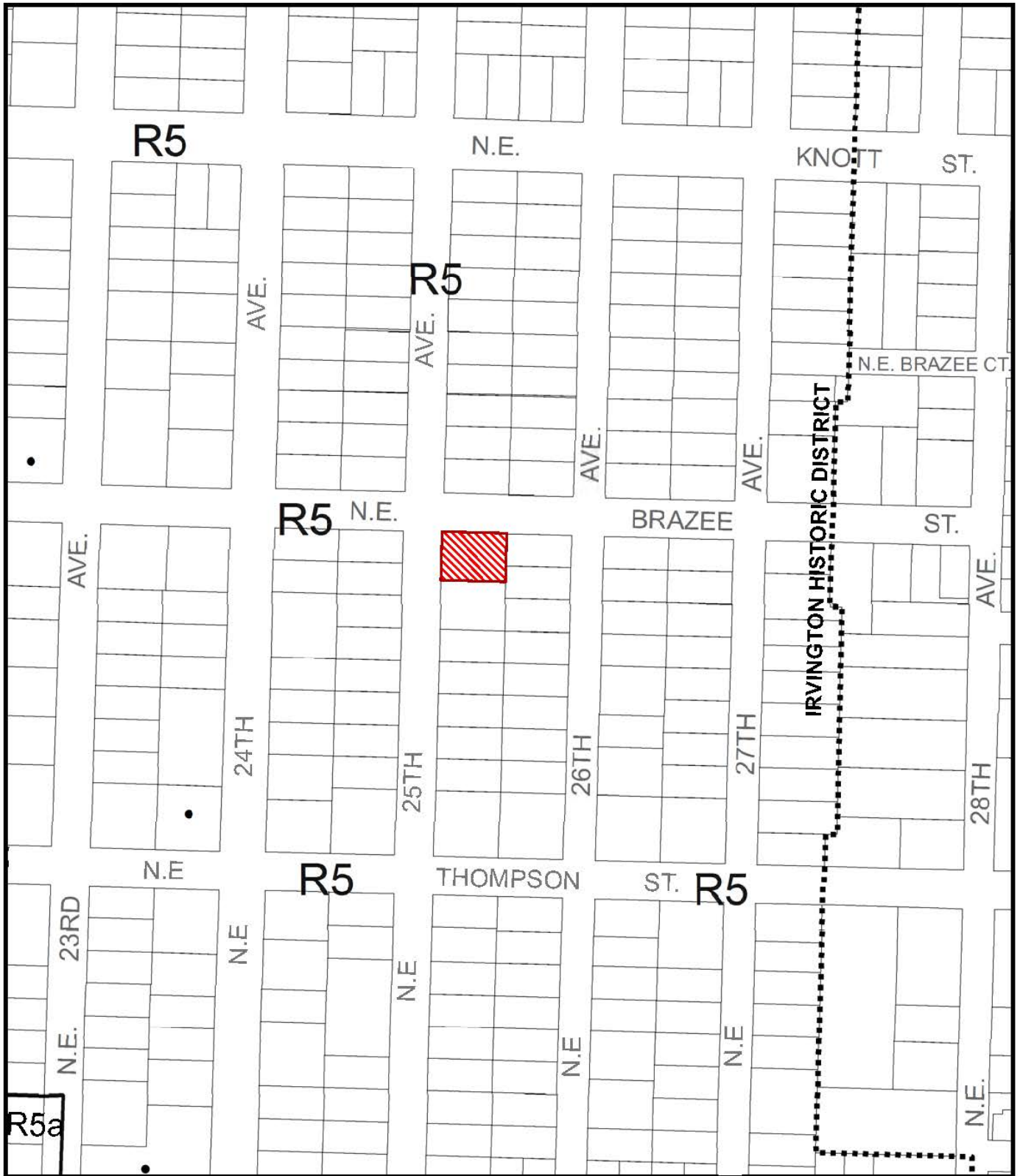
- All conditions imposed herein;
- All applicable development standards, unless specifically exempted as part of this land use review;
- All requirements of the building code; and
- All provisions of the Municipal Code for the City of Portland, and all other applicable ordinances, provisions and regulations of the City.

**EXHIBITS**

NOT ATTACHED UNLESS INDICATED

- A. Applicant's Statement (none)
- B. Zoning Map (attached)
- C. Plans/Drawings:
  - 1. Site Plan (attached)
  - 2. Photo and Partial Elevations (attached)
  - 3. Balcony Floor Plan
  - 4. Guardrail Details
- D. Notification information:
  - 1. Mailing list
  - 2. Mailed notice
- E. Agency Responses:
  - 1. Life Safety Review Section of BDS
- F. Correspondence:
  - 1. Dean Gisvold, on behalf of the Irvington Community Association Land Use Committee, wrote on March 31, 2014 with no objections to the proposal.
- G. Other:
  - 1. Original LU Application

**The Bureau of Development Services is committed to providing equal access to information and hearings. Please notify us no less than five business days prior to the event if you need special accommodations. Call 503-823-7300 (TTY 503-823-6868).**



# ZONING



Site



This site lies within the:  
**IRVINGTON HISTORIC DISTRICT**

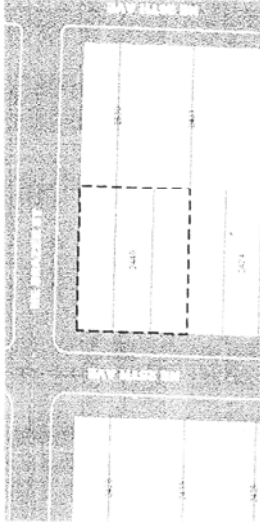
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 Exhibit B (Mar 12, 2014)

# STRAYED-LINDSTROM BALCONY REMODEL

**GENERAL NOTES**

1. ALL WORK SHALL BE DONE IN ACCORDANCE WITH ALL APPLICABLE, CURRENTLY ADOPTED FEDERAL, STATE AND LOCAL CODES AND REQUIREMENTS TO INCLUDE, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, THE INTERNATIONAL BUILDING CODE, THE INTERNATIONAL RESIDENTIAL CODE, THE NATIONAL ELECTRIC CODE, THE UNIFORM PLUMBING CODE, AND THE UNIFORM MECHANICAL CODE.
2. THE GENERAL CONTRACTOR AND ALL SUBCONTRACTORS SHALL INSPECT THE PROJECT SITE BEFORE BEGINNING WORK TO IDENTIFY ANY CONFLICTS BETWEEN THE CONTRACT DOCUMENTS AND THE EXISTING CONDITIONS.
3. THE GENERAL CONTRACTOR SHALL NOTIFY THE ARCHITECT OF CONDITIONS WHICH REQUIRE DEVIATION FROM CONSTRUCTING THE WORK AS INDICATED IN THE CONTRACT DOCUMENTS.
4. DO NOT SCALE DRAWINGS. LARGE SCALE DRAWINGS TAKE PRECEDENCE OVER SMALLER SCALE DRAWINGS. CONTACT ARCHITECT FOR ANY UNDOCUMENTED DIMENSIONS OR FOR CLARIFICATION OF ANY DIMENSIONAL DISCREPANCIES.
5. THE PRESENCE OF THE ARCHITECT ON THE JOBSITE DOES NOT IMPLY APPROVAL OF ANY WORK. THE GENERAL CONTRACTOR MUST CALL SPECIFIC ITEMS TO THE ATTENTION OF THE ARCHITECT IF HE WISHES TO OBTAIN THE ARCHITECT'S APPROVAL.
6. THE GENERAL CONTRACTOR SHALL SUBMIT ALL PROPOSED SUBSTITUTIONS IN WRITING TO THE ARCHITECT FOR APPROVAL WITH SAMPLES, COST ANALYSIS, AND SUFFICIENT INFORMATION FOR EVALUATION. IF A REVISION OR SUBSTITUTION IS MADE WITHOUT THE ARCHITECT'S WRITTEN APPROVAL THAT DOES NOT CONFORM TO THE CONTRACT DOCUMENTS, IT WILL RELIEVE THE ARCHITECT OF ANY LIABILITY FROM THE RESULTING AESTHETIC EFFECT, SUBSEQUENT FAILURE, PROPERTY DAMAGE, OR PERSONAL INJURY.
7. THE GENERAL CONTRACTOR SHALL PERFORM HIGH-QUALITY, PROFESSIONAL WORK. THE WORK OF EACH TRADE SHALL MEET OR EXCEED ALL QUALITY STANDARDS PUBLISHED BY THAT TRADE.
8. THE GENERAL CONTRACTOR SHALL ARRANGE TO ACCOMMODATE "NOT IN CONTRACT" WORK AND SHALL REQUEST INSTRUCTIONS FROM THE ARCHITECT BEFORE PROCEEDING.
9. THE GENERAL CONTRACTOR SHALL PROTECT ALL NEWLY INSTALLED MATERIALS, FINISHES, AND ASSEMBLIES FROM DAMAGE THROUGHOUT CONSTRUCTION.
10. THE GENERAL CONTRACTOR SHALL HALT THE WORK AFFECTED WHEN NOTIFIED OF A PROPOSED CHANGE AND PROCEED ONLY AFTER RECEIVING WRITTEN INSTRUCTIONS FROM THE ARCHITECT.
11. THE GENERAL CONTRACTOR SHALL SUBMIT A DETAILED PROJECT SCHEDULE AT THE BEGINNING OF THE PROJECT. ANY SIGNIFICANT CHANGES WHICH MAY ALTER THE INITIAL SCHEDULE SHALL BE DOCUMENTED IN A REVISED SCHEDULE.
12. THE GENERAL CONTRACTOR SHALL DETERMINE THAT ALL SPECIFIED APPLIANCES AND EQUIPMENT WILL FIT THROUGH DOORWAYS AND CORRIDORS BEFORE EQUIPMENT IS PURCHASED AND SHALL SCHEDULE THE INSTALLATION SEQUENCE TO AVOID CONFLICTS.

**PROPERTY MAP**



**DRAWING INDEX**

- A100 PROJECT INFO
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- A102 BALCONY PLAN
- A103 BALCONY GUARDRAIL DETAILS
- SCHEDULES + SPECIFICATIONS

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_  
 City of Portland - Bureau of Development Services  
 Planner: *Barbara*  
 Date: *4.3.14*  
 \* This approval applies only to the reviews requested and is subject to conditions of approval. Additional zoning requirements may apply to

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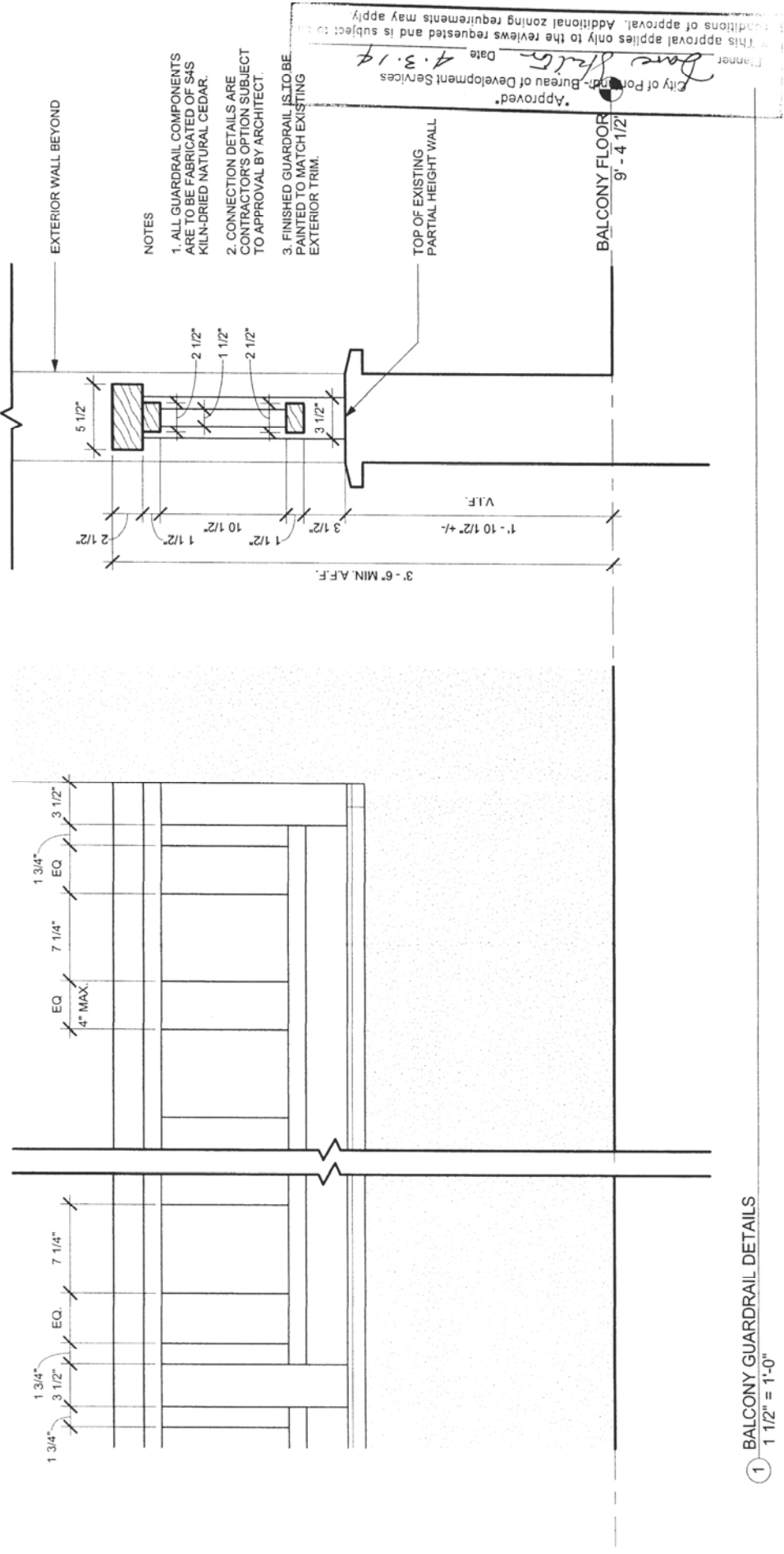
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NOTES

- 1. ALL GUARDRAIL COMPONENTS ARE TO BE FABRICATED OF S4S KILN-DRIED NATURAL CEDAR.
- 2. CONNECTION DETAILS ARE CONTRACTOR'S OPTION SUBJECT TO APPROVAL BY ARCHITECT.
- 3. FINISHED GUARDRAIL IS TO BE PAINTED TO MATCH EXISTING EXTERIOR TRIM.

City of Portland - Bureau of Development Services  
 Approved: *Dore Skiff*  
 Planner: *Dore Skiff*  
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