

ARCHITECTURE PLANNING URBAN DESIGN

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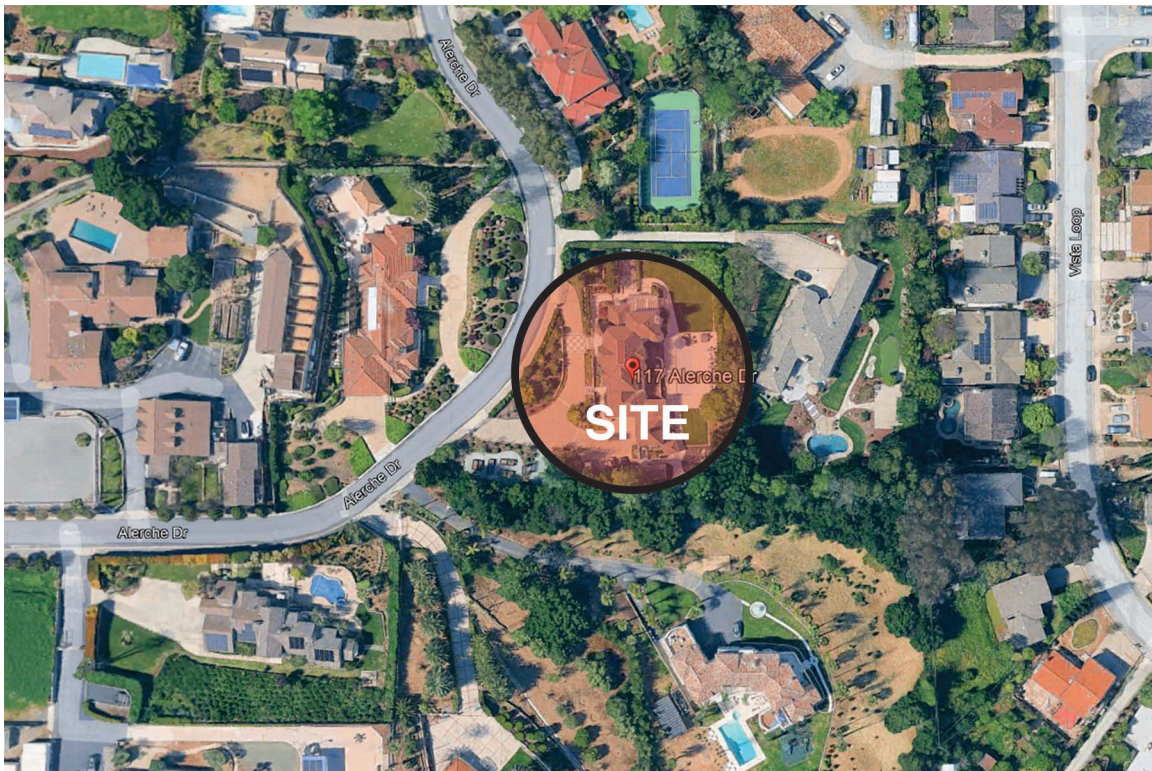
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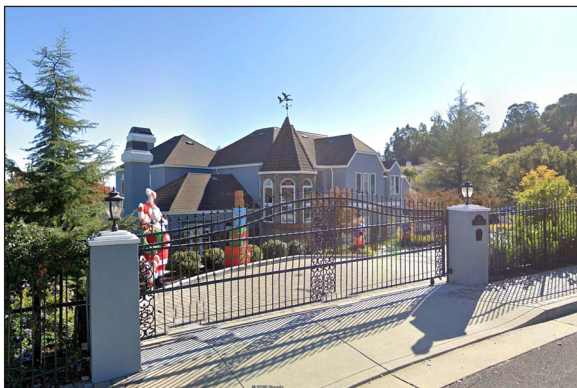
Dear Ryan:

I reviewed the drawings, and evaluated the site context. My comments and recommendations are as follows:

NEIGHBORHOOD CONTEXT

The site is located in a neighborhood of large parcels at the far southeastern edge of Los Gatos. Photographs of the site and its surrounding context are shown on the following page.

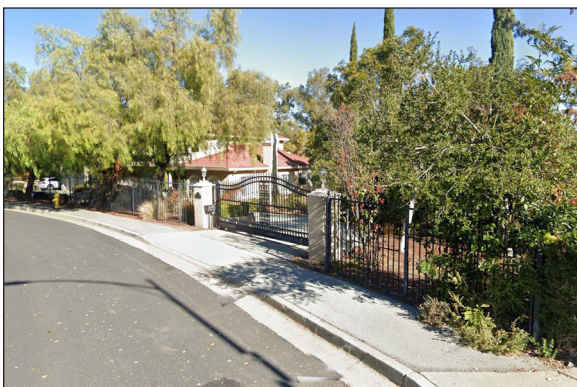




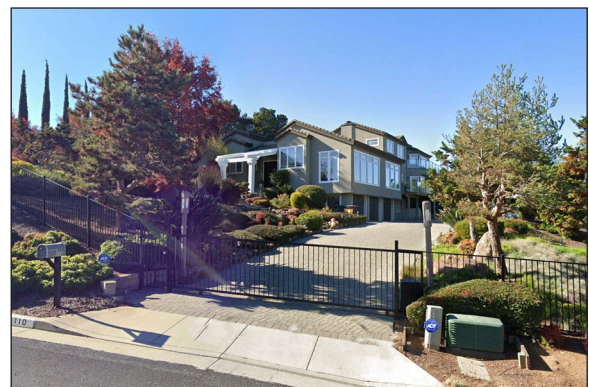
THE SITE



House immediately across Alerche Drive



House to the immediate left



Nearby house across Alerche Drive

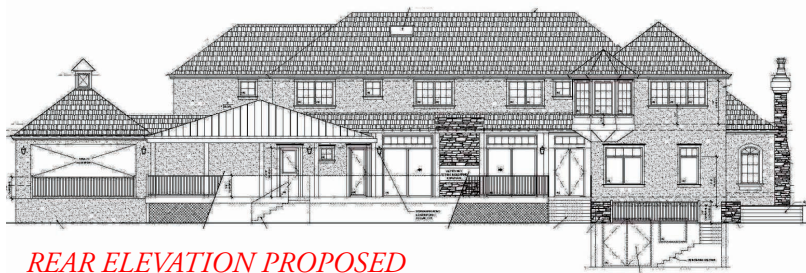
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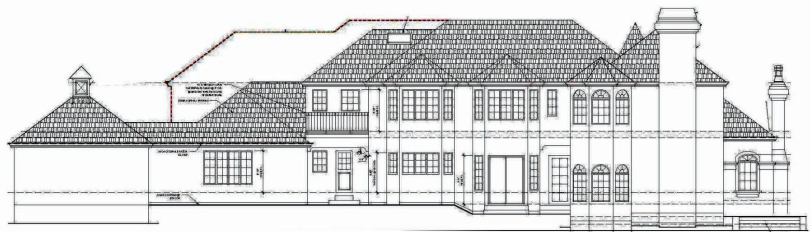
FRONT ELEVATION PROPOSED



FRONT ELEVATION EXISTING



REAR ELEVATION PROPOSED



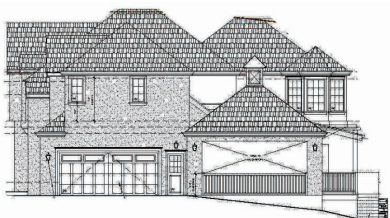
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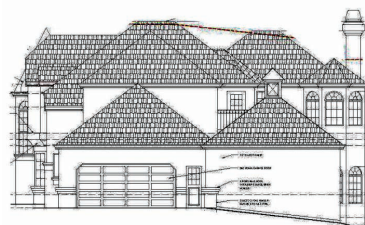
LEFT SIDE ELEVATION PROPOSED



LEFT SIDE ELEVATION EXISTING



RIGHT SIDE ELEVATION PROPOSED



RIGHT SIDE ELEVATION EXISTING

ISSUES AND CONCERNS



The existing house is large with a distinct, if somewhat, eclectic traditional architectural style.

The proposed changes and additions to the existing house are substantial. They include:

- A significant addition has been added to the second floor.
- Roof forms have been simplified.
- The stone base has been removed.
- Window shapes have been simplified and unified.
- Window frames have been added to all windows.
- Small segments of metal roofing and over-window awning projections have been added.

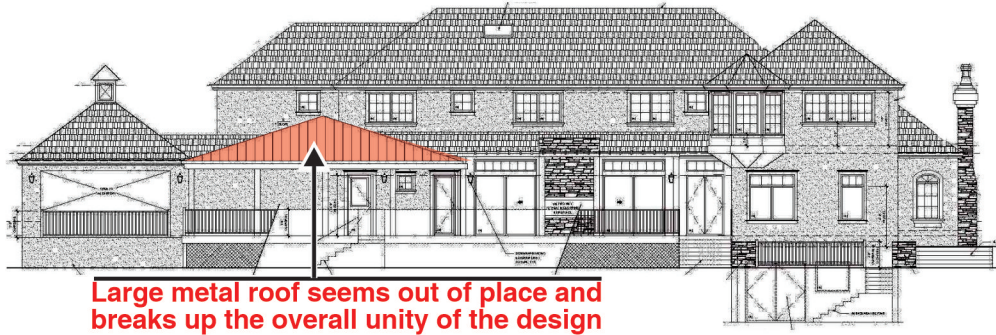


Existing Front Elevation



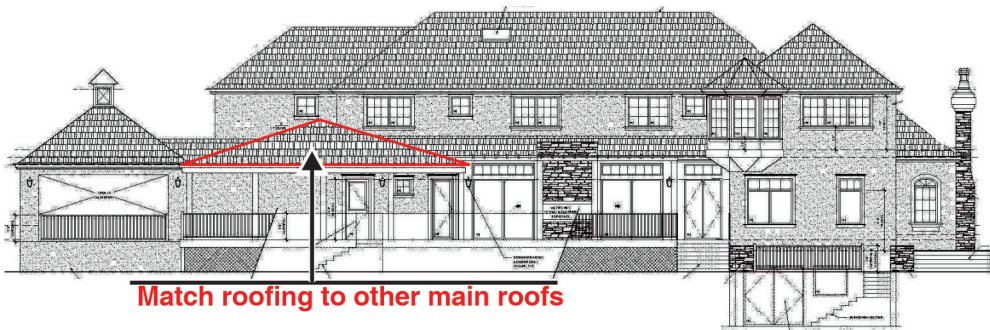
Proposed Front Elevation

However, while the changes are substantial, they are all beneficial improvements to the existing home design quality and uniformly consistent on all facades. I would only identify one concern. The large metal Lanai roof over the rear deck seems out of place with the overall design unity of the house.



RECOMMENDATIONS:

My only recommendation is to match the Lanai roofing material to that of the other roofs.



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