

MENDOCINO HISTORICAL REVIEW BOARD STAFF REPORT

OWNER / APPLICANT:	BARRETT MICHAEL R & KELLY J PO BOX 5103 BERKELEY, CA 94705			
PROJECT DESCRIPTION:	A Mendocino Historical Review Board Permit request to amend MHRB_2015-0022 by changing the color/finish on the Pump House and Tool Shed and adding roof vents and entry lighting on same. Note: This location is listed in the Mendocino Town Plan Appendix 1 as a Category IIa Historic Structure "Noia House."			
STREET ADDRESS:	45141 Calpella St., Mendocino (APN: 119-232-03)			
PARCEL SIZE:	0.29 Acre, or 80 by 160 ft.			
ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION:	A Class 31 Categorical Exemption from the California Environmental Quality Act for restoration of a historical resource following the Secretary of the Interiors Guidelines for Preservation and Restoration of Historic Resources			
HISTORIC STRUCTURES:	On Site: North:	Category IIa Noia House (119-232-03) Category I Silvia House (119-231-06) Category I Valadao House (119-231-04)		
	South:	Category I Jerome House (119-231-03) Category IVb Dwelling (119-235-04) Category I Lisbon-Paoli Hotel (119-235-07) Category I Golgert House (119-235-13)		
	East:	Category IIa Marshall House (119-232-04) Category IIa Thomas House (119-232-05)		
	West:	Category IIa Dwelling (119-232-02)		

PAST MHRB PERMITS: 04-11 Alterations; 04-27 Water Tank and Fence; 06-40 Paint; 15-22 concurrent variance, water storage tank, renovate Tool Shed; remodel Main House; renovate Pump House.

HISTORIC ORDINANCE STANDARDS: The Mendocino Historical Preservation District Ordinance provides standards for the MHRB to consider when reviewing applications. Relative to this application, the following issues are raised and should be addressed:

Building Size, Height, Proportions and Form Relationship of Building Masses and Open Spaces	\checkmark	Roof Sha Color(s)
Relationship to Surrounding Structures		Sign Size
Materials and Textures		Number
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- ✓ Architectural Details and Style
- ✓ Facade Treatment
- Proportions of Windows and Doors Landscaping

Roof Shape Color(s) Sign Size Number of Signs Placement/Location

 ✓ Lighting Paving/Grading

APPLICABLE SECTIONS OF MHRB GUIDELINES: Section IV Examples of Historic Architectural Styles (pp. 4-5); Section V General Guidelines (pp. 6-12). General principles for rehabilitation, restoration or renovation of existing historic structures (unnumbered, last two pages).

STAFF NOTES: The project site is located within the R+ Land Use designation and MTR Zoning District. MTZC Chapter 20.760 provides standards for the proposed accessory building color, roof vents, and

lighting. The property owner requests to amend MHRB Permit 2015-0022 in regards to the Pump House and Tool Shed paint color and finish, to add roof vents, and add lamps adjacent to doorways.

<u>Amend Pump House Renovation</u>: On February 1, 2016, the Review Board approved a 10 by 12.5 foot addition to the existing 3.6 by 8.6 foot Pump House. The addition is approved to have a shed roof and barn door. MHRB Permit 2015-0022 allows for the existing fenestration style to be continued with the addition of a second 3 over 3 casement window; replacing the existing door with a wood framed half glass door; and front porch steps. The existing vertical siding would be replaced by horizontal siding on all elevations and "finished with white stain to give similar look to existing weathered siding (See September 10, 2015 #4 Project Description)." Neither MHRB Permit 2015-0022 nor Building Permit Application BU 2017-0530 show exterior lamps.

MHRB Application 2018-0005 requests to amend MHRB Permit 2015-0022 approved color and finish (See 1 below). Staff requests the Review Board affirm that the Pump House foundation and roof vents were included with the approval of MHRB Permit 2015-0022 (See 2 below). Lastly, the request for exterior lights is detailed as Item 5 (below).

1. Amend Pump House Color.

MHRB Application 2018-0005 requests to paint the pump house and provides choice of four colors for the Review Board's consideration, including:

Color sample "Paint A" which is the Main House color

Color sample "Paint B" which is Main House trim color

Color sample "Paint C1" which is Benjamin Moore "Seaspray 941"

Color sample "Paint C2" which is Benjamin Moore "Ancient Ivory 935"

Option A, suggested by the applicants, is to paint to Pump House the same color as the trim on the Main House or color sample "Paint B" and to paint the Pump House trim the same color as the Main House or color sample "Paint A" (See Application page 5 "Option A").

2. Pump House Vents.

In reviewing Building Permit Application BU_2017-0530, Staff approved Pump House copper screen foundation vents and roof vents, and required the foundation vents to be screened by landscaping. While Pump House roof vents are not shown on MHRB Permit 2015-0022 elevation drawings, the Pump House floor plans show an interior laundry and sink, which would require roof vents. Staff determined that MHRB Permit 2015-0022 floor plans indicate that the Pump House would have roof vents and approved the Building Permit Application BU_2017-0530.

Staff requests the Review Board affirm Staff's determination that the Pump House roof vents and foundation vents, screened by landscaping, are a part of MHRB Permit 2015-0022. (See Application page 9 "Picture 1" for an image showing BU_2017-0530 roof vents).

<u>Amend Tool Shed - Artist Studio</u>: The Tool Shed is a 14.3 by 12.3 foot structure with gabled roof, horizontal siding, a window and door. On February 17, 2016, revised Tool Shed plans were submitted and on April 4, 2016, the Review Board approved the Tool Shed restoration with modifications. MHRB Permit 2015-0022 allows for the (1) dismantling and reconstruction of the original building; (2) retaining the Tool Shed plate height and roof slope; (3) painting and reuse of north elevation door; (4) centering the north elevation door under a new circular, stained glass window; (5) adding a double French door (west elevation) and double casement windows; (6) horizontal wood siding with same stain as Pump House (transparent white); and (7) a dark grey composition shingle roof. (The proposed 9 by 10.3 feet Tool Shed addition was not approved, but proposed elevation drawings did show a south facing window.) On July 18, 2017, the Board of Supervisors upheld the Review Board's approval. Staff notes that MHRB Permit 2015-0022 Tool Shed drawing notes read "Entire structure to be disassembled and reassembled on top of a concrete slab. Plywd panels shall then be attached to the exterior of the skeleton. The existing siding is then reattached with all rotten portions repaired or replaced prior to reattachment." No exterior lamps are shown on the Tool Shed plans and floor plans did not show interior improvements (commode, sink, or other).

MHRB Application 2018-0005 requests to amend MHRB Permit 2015-0022 approved Tool Shed color and finish, to add roof vents to this accessory structure (See 3 and 4, below), and add exterior lamps (See 5, below).

3. Amend Tool Shed Color.

The applicant found that almost all of the existing exterior siding has been destroyed by time and weather and will replace the horizontal siding with similar redwood material. The applicant requests to paint the Tool Shed with a different color and finish and filed MHRB Application 2018-0005 with four color samples for consideration (See paint samples labeled A, B, C1, and C2). Option A, suggested by the applicants, is to paint the Tool Shed and trim the same as the Main House with color sample A and trim color sample B (See Application page 5 "Option A").

4. Add Tool Shed Vents.

In reviewing Building Permit BF_2017-0784, Staff approved the restoration of the existing 14.3 by 12.3 foot Tool Shed including the reattachment of repaired existing siding or replacing material with redwood; the addition of a round window; change in the door location under the gable; and the installation of French doors and one casement, south facing window.

MHRB Application 2018-0005 requests to add two waste vents and ventilation fan vent on the roof of the Tool Shed, because the property owner wishes to include a sink and commode in the Tool Shed (See Application page 10 "Diagram 2" for the proposed Tool Shed vents). In addition, Staff requests the Review Board affirm that the Tool Shed double, south-facing casement window is a part of MHRB Permit 2015-0022 (See Application Description "Diagram 2").

5. Add Exterior Lighting.

MTZC Section 20.760.040 *Exemptions* applies to the exterior lighting proposed. MTZC Section 20.760.040(J) exempts outdoor lighting for doorways and stairs provided that the lighting is shielded, reflected downward and positioned in a manner that does not allow light glare to extend beyond the boundaries of the parcel on which it is placed (2017). MHRB Application 2018-0005 proposes to install exterior, down-shielded, light-fixtures adjacent to Pump House and Tool Shed doorways. Staff has included two examples of the proposed exterior lighting and recommends condition 8 be adopted. Diagram 3 is a Castrol Outdoor Barn Light (See Application page 11). Diagram 4 is a Marlowe Galvanized Hooded Cage Outdoor Wall Light (See Application page 12). The Review Board may approve MHRB 2018-0005 with the exterior lamps proposed.

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION: Staff recommends that the proposed project is categorically exempt from CEQA pursuant to California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Chapter 3, Article 19, Section 15331 *Historical Resource Restoration/Rehabilitation,* which is a Class 31 exemption consisting of projects limited to maintenance, repair, stabilization, rehabilitation, restoration, preservation, conservation or reconstruction of historical resources in a manner consistent with the <u>Secretary of the Interior's Standards for the treatment of Historic Properties with Guidelines for Preserving, Rehabilitating, Restoring, and Reconstructing Historic Buildings (1995), Weeks and Grimmer.</u>

REQUIRED FINDINGS: The Review Board shall not approve or conditionally approve any application for proposed work unless it affirmatively makes the following findings pursuant with Section 20.760.065:

(A) The exterior appearance and design of the proposed work is in harmony with the exterior appearance and design of existing structures within the District and with that of the existing subject structure.

The proposed renovations and alterations to the existing historic resource are sensitive to the local historic district architecture and land use. The exterior appearance and design of the proposed work compliments the nature of the existing structures and the surrounding environs.

(B) The appearance of the proposed work will not detract from the appearance of other property within the District.

The appearance of the proposed renovations to the Pump House, Tool Shed, and Main House with Mudroom is complimentary to the architecture of the site and the adjacent properties, all of which are

located within a nationally registered Historic District and are either Category IIa or Category I historic resources.

(C) Where the proposed work consists of alteration or demolition of an existing structure, that such work will not unnecessarily damage or destroy a structure of historical, architectural or cultural significance.

The project as proposed complies with many of the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for the treatment of Historic Properties. The proposed alterations and renovations will not destroy a structure of historical, architectural or cultural significance.

STANDARD CONDITIONS:

- 1. This action shall become final and effective on the 11th day following the Review Board's decision unless an appeal is filed pursuant to Section 20.760.072 of the Mendocino County Code.
- 2. The permit shall expire and become null and void at the expiration of two years after the effective date except where construction and or use of the property in reliance on such permit have been completed prior to its expiration.
- 3. The application along with supplemental exhibits and related material shall be considered elements of this permit, and compliance therewith is mandatory.
- 4. This permit shall be subject to the securing of all necessary permits for the proposed development from County, State and Federal agencies having jurisdiction. The applicant shall secure all required building permits for the proposed project as required by the Building Inspection Division.
- 5. This permit shall be subject to revocation or modification upon a finding of any one (1) or more of the following:
 - a. That such permit was obtained or extended by fraud.
 - b. That one or more of the conditions upon which such permit was granted have been violated.
 - c. A final judgment of a court of competent jurisdiction has declared one (1) or more conditions to be void or ineffective, or has enjoined or otherwise prohibited the enforcement or operation of one (1) or more such conditions.
- 6. To establish that site-work satisfies the requirements of MHRB Permit 2018-0005 and Permit 2015-0022 and the Review Board's action, the property owner shall request a Planning and Building Services Final Inspection prior to the expiration of MHRB Permit 2018-0005. Prior to MHRB Permit 2018-0005's expiration (if no Building Permit is obtained) and at the request of the property owner, PBS will furnish, following a site inspection of completed work, a functionally equivalent document demonstrating that the requirements of MHRB Permit 2018-0005 and MHRB Permit 2015-0022 have been satisfied.
- 7. Any Building Permit request shall include MHRB Permit #2018-0005 and MHRB Permit #2015-0022 (attached to or printed on the plans submitted).
- 8. Exterior lighting shall comply with MTZC Section 20.760.040(J). Outdoor lighting for doorways and stairs shall be shielded, reflected downward and positioned in a manner that does not allow light glare to extend beyond the boundaries of the parcel on which it is placed.

The Review Board's action and this permit will not be final and effective and work may not commence on the project until after a ten day appeal period has ended. You will be notified if a timely appeal is filed.

Appeal Fee:\$1,616.00 (Check payable to County of Mendocino).Appeal Period:Appeals must be received within 10 days of Review Board Action.

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MHRB APPLICATION FORM								
Name of Applicant MICHAEL & HELLY BARRETT	Name of Property Owner(s) NICHAEL & TTELLY BARKETT HELLY GRIMES							
Mailing Address PO BOX 5103 BÉRKELEY CA 94705	Mailing Address PO BOX 510] BERKELEY CA 94705			Mailing Address POBOX 598 LITTLE RIVER CA 95456				
Telephone Number 650 889 8332	Telephone Number 650 889 8332			Telephone Number 707 937 2904				
Assessor's Parcel Number(s) 119 232 0300								
Parcel Size ☑ Square Fee <u>12,800</u> □ Acres	Street Address of Project 45141 CALPELLA ST. MENDOCINO, CA 95460							
TYPE OF DEVELOPMENT (Check appropriate boxes)								
 Demolition. Please indicate the type and extent of demolition. (see next page) Construction of a structure. Addition to a structure. Alteration of exterior of structure. Construction, installation, relocation or alteration of outdoor advertising sign. Outdoor lighting. Walkways, driveways, parking areas, and grading. Exterior painting of a structure. Other. 								

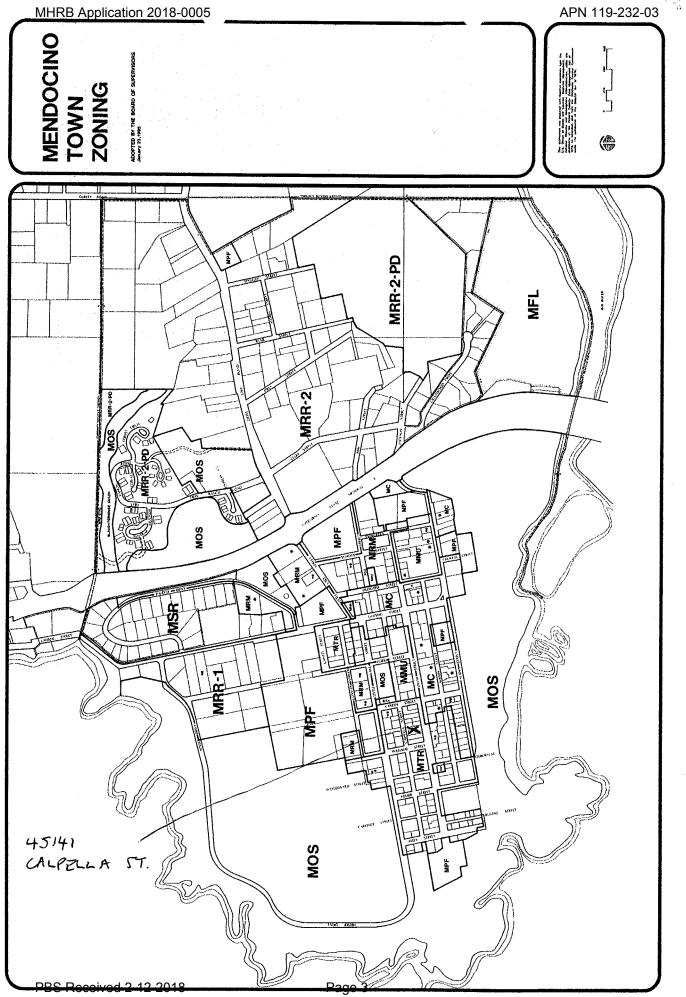
PROJECT DESCRIPTION QUESTIONNAIRE

The purpose of this questionnaire is to relate information to the Planning & Building Services Department and the MHRB. Please answer all questions. For those questions which do not pertain to your project, please indicate "Not Applicable" or "N/A". **NOTE: The more complete and clear the submitted information, the more quickly your application can be processed.**

1. Describe your project in detail.

- For demolition, identify the items to be demolished, the percentage of the structure(s) to be demolished, and explain reason for demolition.
- For new signs, provide scaled drawings, describe wording, dimensions, materials, colors, and mounting detail. Indicate specific location on site plan.
- For new copy on existing signs, provide wording, graphics, font style, colors, and photographs of existing sign(s).
- For exterior painting, describe existing and proposed colors. Provide paint chips for proposed colors.
- For exterior lighting, include description/detail of fixtures and indicate locations on the site plan.
- For new construction, additions or architectural alterations, include plans, elevations, dimensions, height(s), materials, colors, finishes, trim and window details, walkways and paving locations.
- For walkways, driveways, paving and grading, provide dimensions, location and materials.

MINOR AMENOMENTS TO MARB 2015-22, DUE TO ISSUES DISCOVERED DURING CONSTRUCTION: 1) PAINT TREATMENT, 2) ROOF VENTS, 3) EXTORIOR ENTRY WIGHT. SEE A TTACHES DESCRIPTION. NA 2. If the project includes new construction, please provide the following information: What is the total lot area presently covered by building(s), decks, walkways, water tanks, and other structures? sq. ft. What is the total floor area (internal) of all structures on the property? ______ sq. ft. If located within the Mendocino Mixed Use (MMU) zoning district, What is the total floor area on the parcel that is devoted to residential use? ______sq. ft. If you need more room to answer any question, please attach additional sheets



Dear HRB board members,

We have submitted this request for three minor amendments to HRB #2015-22, one for paint treatment, one for roof vents, and one for an exterior entry light.

I. Paint treatment.

Concern:

We have been working with our contractor, Ishvi Aum, in the reconstruction of two accessory buildings on our property at 45141 Calpella St. When we bought the property these two outbuildings were in a state of severe neglect, close to collapse, unusable, and a potential danger. In such a state of disrepair, we found ourselves in a situation well beyond maintenance, requiring reconstruction.

Working with our architect, Kelly Grimes, in our original application we described our intention as "Entire building to have horizontal siding with <u>transparent white stain</u> to give similar look to existing weathered <u>siding</u>." The desire was to simulate an older weathered building. Based on a literal wording of this intention, we understand there are two criteria, 1) achieve a weathered look, 2) using a transparent white stain.

After much research on the internet, visits to several paint stores, and discussions with painters, and our architect, we recently discovered there actually is *no such thing as a white transparent stain. It cannot be white <u>and transparent</u>. They are mutually exclusive. And the more we learn about stain, that it is generally glossy and has an impenetrable water repellant surface, the more we believe it is an entirely inappropriate choice to achieve the desired aesthetic, and more significantly a surface of no-return, that is, a surface which cannot be painted over. With a duty to maintain, we need to have a building surface that can be maintained, i.e. paintable.*

As there is no such thing as transparent white stain, and thus it was literally not possible for us to meet criteria one, we tried to achieve criteria two, weathered, by using a standard technique of paint wash, layering several layers of thinned paint. We believed, from the street view, we had accomplished a "similar look to weathered" and met the spirit of the application requirement. Yet, during the final inspection on the pumphouse in January, the HRB administrator, Juliana Cherry explained she would not allow the approval because she stated we were not in compliance with the application which specified we would use "transparent white stain" – the product that does not exist. We asked for guidance from the planning department to help us with this dilemma, but received no advice, other than a recommendation that we pay another application fee and return to the HRB. So here we are.

Requested solution:

Throughout the village, most outbuildings appear to be painted to either match the main house, complement it, or are white. Our original outbuildings were painted, not stained. In order to solve this conundrum, we are asking approval to paint the toolshed and pumphouse in colors that either match the house exactly, or are an inversion of it, or are a generic white. We do not believe this is an unreasonable request given this seems to be the standard approach in most back gardens in the village. Historically, it

is aligned with the original treatment of these buildings and given the harsh elements here, we believe that "weathered" appearance will be achieved by nature in short order.

We have provided four paint samples:

- a) Main color of the house.
- b) Trim color of the house.
- c)1) White (Seaspray).
- c)2) White (Ancient ivory).

We are requesting permission to paint the two outbuildings.

- i. Tool Shed
- ii. PumpHouse

Option A.

Toolshed. "paint a)" as the main color and "paint b)" as the trim color. PumpHouse "paint b)" as the main color and "paint a)" as the trim.

Option B.

Toolshed. "paint a)" as the main color and "paint b)" as the trim color. PumpHouse "paint a)" as the main color and "paint b)" as the trim.

Note: It appears many accessory buildings in Mendocino are painted the same as the main house, so this is conforming to a local custom.

Option C.

Toolshed. "paint a)" as the main color and "paint b)" as the trim color. PumpHouse "paint c)" as the main color and "paint c)" as the trim.

Option D.

Toolshed. "paint c)" as the main color and "paint c)" as the trim. PumpHouse "paint c)" as the main color and "paint c)" as the trim.

Note: if the board prefers the white option, we have provided two alternative white colors for c). We would be entirely happy with either, or with any specific shade of white that the board might specify.

Our personal preference is Option A or Option B.

If the board is not prepared to approve anything other than the original proposal to simulate weathered siding, then we request that it gives guidance to staff that what matters is the end: achieving a weathered look, and not the means: the ill-conceived "transparent white stain". In other words, that using faux painting techniques, or simulating white washing (but <u>not</u> using lime paint, which has its own set of issues), is an acceptable way to satisfy the stated objective.

II. Vents

Concern:

According to our architect, Kelly Grimes, the type of drawings submitted with an HRB application are schematic in nature and in the past have never shown roof vents. Our original application for the pumphouse, which was reviewed by the HRB, shows a laundry sink and washer and dryer in the floor plan of the pumphouse. This was approved, and it was assumed that plumbing vents - not shown - would be needed.

The design for both the buildings that was finally approved by the HRB was significantly smaller in square footage than what we had originally requested, and this forced us to substantially rethink the functionality of both buildings. As the internal design of the pumphouse was refined, our functional requirements were adjusted to a half bathroom and the plumbing was moved. Our building permit for the pumphouse, showing plumbing, but without specific locations for vents, was approved by the planning department without comment.

As the pumphouse was reconstructed, plumbing was installed, and our contractor, Ishvi Aum, installed two roof vents for the waste stacks and a copper roof vent for the fan. These are code requirements, and therefore mandatory. Please see picture 1), for a picture of what's been built. Note that the vents are hard to see, as they are obscured against the roofline of the pumphouse from most angles. Also, they are very similar to our neighbor's roof vents that are visible to us when I look out the back windows of our home.

The toolshed design was dramatically changed by the HRB. Thus, it would not have been possible to have specified vents when we couldn't see into the future and predict the building envelope that the HRB would actually approve.

So, we were stunned when the HRB administrator insisted that we *retroactively* adhere to practices that were not in place when #2015-22 was approved and that roof vents could not be used unless explicitly approved by the HRB. This is a new practice that had not been mandated when our application was approved. It goes without saying that to ask us to now, after having incurred the expense of designs, applications, construction of walls, plumbing, procurement and installation of vents, and the reroofing that would be necessitated by moving or removing said vents, not to mention precluding our ability to now use our building as we need, feels like an unbelievably inappropriate overreach.

Requested solution:

We request that the HRB honor the standard practices and intent implicit in our original application, and formally approve the following, specifically so that the HRB administrator is aware of this approval:

- The two 2" waste vents and the ventilation fan vent on the pumphouse, as they have been built. (See picture 1.)
- 2) Two 2" waste vents, and a ventilation fan vent on the toolshed. (See diagram 2.) Please note that we understand that in the actual construction, the large vent pipe may be replaced with a low profile copper vent.

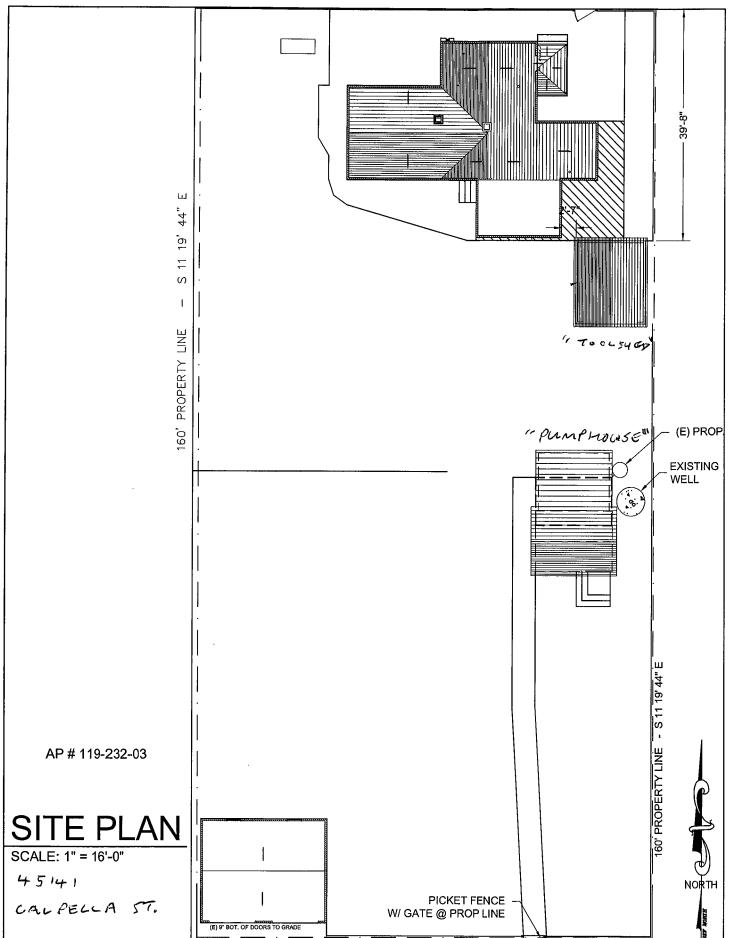
III. Lights

Concern:

Due to an oversight on our part, we neglected to include an exterior, fully downlit, entry light in our original submission to the HRB for 2015-22. This is a basic safety issue, which needs little explanation.

Requested solution:

We request that the HRB approves a downlit exterior light on the toolshed. (See diagram 2.)



Diagrams



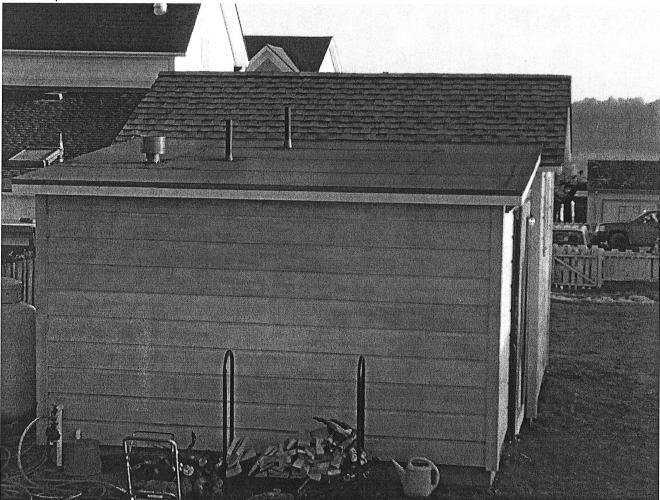
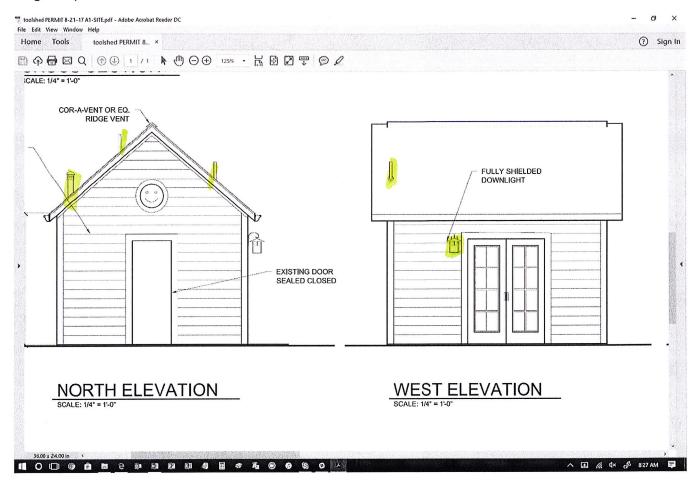


Diagram 2)



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Diagram 3 Light Fixture

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Castro 1 Light Outdoor BBarn Light

The dimensions of this lamp are: "wide, 9.25 inches deep, and 11.25 inches high.

The finish is described as 'weathered copper', and the style depicted as 'beach style wall lantern".



Diagram 4 Light Fixture

Marlowe Galvanized Hooded Cage Outdoor Wall Light

The finish is described as 'Galvanized Metal', and the style depicted as "a nautical style outdoor wall light". The dimensions are: $13 \frac{1}{4}$ " high x 9 $\frac{1}{2}$ " wide x extends 10" from the wall x 5 $\frac{1}{4}$ " wide round backplate.

From: MIRB Application 2018-0005 Michael Barrett <michael@MADZOGA.COM>

To:Juliana Cherry <cherryj@mendocinocounty.org>Date:2/12/2018 7:36 PM

Subject: RE: Exterior Light

Fixtures

Hi Juliana

It's slightly tricky because, as a designer, Kelly doesn't know which style she'd use until we know what paint treatment the board will pick. However, that said, we are thinking about a couple of alternatives. We're also more than willing to take input from the board, of course.

I will say that in general, we prefer a more rustic style of lighting, and it is more likely to have been what they would have used when the village was first electrified. Anyway, are a couple of options that Kelly gave me:

[Castro 1-Light Outdoor Barn Light]

The dimensions of this lamp are: 8 " wide, 9.25 inches deep, and 11.25 inches high.

The finish is described as 'weathered copper', and the style depicted as 'beach style wall

lantern".

Or, another option,

[Marlowe Galvanized 13 1/4"H Hooded Cage Outdoor Wall Light]

The finish is described as 'Galvanized Metal', and the style depicted as "a nautical style outdoor wall light". The dimensions are: 13 ¼" high x 9 ½" wide x extends 10" from the wall x 5 ¼" wide round backplate.

Best wishes,

Michael Barrett

-----Original Message-----From: Juliana Cherry [mailto:cherryj@mendocinocounty.org] Sent: Monday, February 12, 2018 4:13 PM To: Michael Barrett <michael@MADZOGA.COM> Subject: Exterior Light Fixtures

Hi, Michael

Do you have a light fixture that you would like to install? Could you send me a link to the fixture details?

Thank you, J.

Juliana Cherry

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