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## Via Electronic Mail

La Jolla Development Permit Review Committee P.O. Box 889 La Jolla, California 92037

> Re: 305 Bonair CDP/NDP (Project No. 653750) 11/10/20 DPR Meeting, Item 3

Dear DPR Members:

We represent the applicant for the above-referenced project. I would like to briefly respond to a concern raised by members of the La Jolla Development Permit Review (DPR) Committee at the October 20, 2020 Preliminary Review of the project. Specifically, whether the proposed 7-foot front yard setback constitutes a deviation.

The applicant is not requesting a deviation for the front yard setback nor is one required. The rebuilt unit at 305 Bonair is consistent with the *previously conforming* setback of the pre-existing structure and did not lose *previously conforming* status as a result of the demolition and reconstruction of the unit. San Diego Municipal Code (SDMC) Section 127.0104 (b) simply provides:

Maintenance, repair, alteration, <u>or replacement</u> of a *structure* with a *previously conforming structural envelope* for proposed *development* that requires a Coastal Development Permit pursuant to Section 126.0704(b) requires a Neighborhood Development Permit decided in accordance with Process Two.

The termination of *previously conforming* status would only apply if the project site contained or abutted a coastal beach or coastal bluff edge – which is not the case here. *See* SDMC § 127.0104 (e). City staff concurs with this determination.

We recognize that the current front yard setback does apply to the approximately 3-foot addition on the eastern side the unit. Accordingly, the northeast corner of the unit (*i.e.*, along the addition area) will be pulled back to comply with the current 10-foot setback requirement as identified in the project plans.

We respectfully request that the DPR approve the project. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

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