

**HUNTINGTON BEACH  
OFFICE OF THE ZONING ADMINISTRATOR  
EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

**TO:** Zoning Administrator  
**FROM:** Ethan Edwards, Associate Planner  
**DATE:** December 5, 2012

**SUBJECT: COASTAL DEVELOPMENT PERMIT NO.. 12-013 (RIETSCH SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENCE)**

**LOCATION:** 17066 Marinabay Drive, 92649 (south of Coral Cay Lane at the terminus of Marinabay Drive)

---

**Applicant:** Jim Caldwell, 1614 Warwick Lane, Newport Beach, CA 92660

**Property Owner:** Kurt Rietsch, 16836 Marinabay Drive, Huntington Beach, CA 92649

**Request:** To permit the demolition of the existing single-family residence and construction of a new approximately 5,718 sq. ft., two-story, single-family residence.

**Environmental Status:** This request is covered by Categorical Exemption, Section 15303, Class 3, California Environmental Quality Act.

**Zone:** RL – CZ (Residential Low Density - Coastal Zone)

**General Plan:** RL - 7 (Residential Low Density)

**Existing Use:** Residential

---

**RECOMMENDATION:** Staff recommends approval of the proposed project based upon the following findings:

**SUGGESTED FINDINGS FOR PROJECTS EXEMPT FROM CEQA:**

The Zoning Administrator finds that the project will not have any significant effect on the environment and is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to section 15303 of the CEQA Guidelines, because the project is located within an urbanized residential zone and involves the reconstruction of a new single-family dwelling.

**SUGGESTED FINDINGS FOR APPROVAL - COASTAL DEVELOPMENT PERMIT NO. 12-013:**

1. Coastal Development Permit No. 12-013 for the demolition of an existing single-family residence and construction of an approximately 5,718 sq. ft., two-story single family residence with an attached 608 sq. ft. garage conforms with the General Plan, including the Local Coastal Program land use designation of Residential Low-Density (RL). The project is consistent with Coastal Element Policy C 1.1.1 which encourages development within, or contiguous to or in close proximity to existing developed areas able to accommodate it. The proposed construction will occur on a developed site, contiguous to existing residential development.
2. The project is consistent with the requirements of the CZ Overlay District, the base zoning district, as well as other applicable provisions of the Municipal Code. The project complies with the minimum onsite parking, minimum building setbacks, maximum lot coverage, and maximum building height requirements.
3. At the time of occupancy the proposed development can be provided with infrastructure in a manner that is consistent with the Local Coastal Program. The proposed residence will be constructed on a previously developed site in an urbanized area with all the necessary services and infrastructure available, including water, sewer, and roadways.
4. The development conforms with the public access and public recreation policies of Chapter 3 of the California Coastal Act. The proposed residence will not impede public access, recreation, or views to coastal resources.

**SUGGESTED CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL - COASTAL DEVELOPMENT PERMIT NO. 12-013:**

1. The site plan, conceptual landscaping plan, floor plans, roof plan, exterior elevation plans received and dated September 18, 2012, shall be the conceptually approved design with the following modifications:
  - a. Revise the plans to show that all accessory structures, such as the proposed pool and covered patio, are not occupying the required front yard setback or projecting beyond the front building line of the principal structure.
  - b. Depict the location of all gas meters, water meters, electrical panels, air conditioning units, mailboxes (as approved by the United States Postal Service), and similar items on the site plan and elevations. If located on a building, they shall be architecturally integrated with the design of the building, non-obtrusive, not interfere with sidewalk areas and comply with required setbacks.
2. At least 14 days prior to any grading activity, the applicant/developer shall provide notice in writing to property owners of record and tenants of properties immediately adjacent to the project site. The notice shall include a general description of planned grading activities and an estimated timeline for commencement and completion of work and a contact person name with phone number. Prior to issuance of the grading permit, a copy of the notice and list of recipients shall be submitted to the Planning and Building Department.

3. Prior to submittal for building permits, the following shall be completed:
  - a. One set of project plans, revised pursuant to Condition of Approval No. 1, shall be submitted for review, approval and inclusion in the entitlement file, to the Planning and Building Department.
  - b. Zoning entitlement conditions of approval, code requirements identified herein and code requirements identified in separately transmitted memorandum from the Departments of Building & Planning, Fire and Public Works shall be printed verbatim on one of the first three pages of all the working drawing sets used for issuance of building permits (architectural, structural, electrical, mechanical and plumbing) and shall be referenced in the sheet index. The minimum font size utilized for printed text shall be 12 point
4. During demolition, grading, site development, and/or construction, the following shall be adhered to:
  - a. Construction equipment shall be maintained in peak operating condition to reduce emissions.
  - b. Use low sulfur (0.5%) fuel by weight for construction equipment.
  - c. Truck idling shall be prohibited for periods longer than 10 minutes.
  - d. Attempt to phase and schedule activities to avoid high ozone days first stage smog alerts.
  - e. Discontinue operation during second stage smog alerts.
  - f. Ensure clearly visible signs are posted on the perimeter of the site identifying the name and phone number of a field supervisor to contact for information regarding the development and any construction/ grading activity.
5. The structure cannot be occupied, the final building permit cannot be approved, and utilities cannot be released until the following has been completed:
  - a. All improvements must be completed in accordance with approved plans, except as provided for by conditions of approval.
  - b. Compliance with all conditions of approval specified herein shall be verified by the Planning and Building Department.
  - c. All building spoils, such as unusable lumber, wire, pipe, and other surplus or unusable material, shall be disposed of at an off-site facility equipped to handle them.
6. CDP No. 11-013 shall become null and void unless exercised within two years of the date of final approval or such extension of time as may be granted by the Director pursuant to a written request submitted to the Planning and Building Department a minimum 30 days prior to the expiration date.
7. The applicant and/or applicant's representative shall be responsible for ensuring the accuracy of all plans and information submitted to the City for review and approval.

8. Incorporating sustainable or “green” building practices into the design of the proposed structures and associated site improvements is highly encouraged. Sustainable building practices may include (but are not limited to) those recommended by the U.S. Green Building Council’s Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) Program certification (<http://www.usgbc.org/DisplayPage.aspx?CategoryID=19>) or Build It Green’s Green Building Guidelines and Rating Systems (<http://www.builditgreen.org/green-building-guidelines-rating>)

**INDEMNIFICATION AND HOLD HARMLESS CONDITION:**

The owner of the property which is the subject of this project and the project applicant if different from the property owner, and each of their heirs, successors and assigns, shall defend, indemnify and hold harmless the City of Huntington Beach and its agents, officers, and employees from any claim, action or proceedings, liability cost, including attorney’s fees and costs against the City or its agents, officers or employees, to attack, set aside, void or annul any approval of the City, including but not limited to any approval granted by the City Council, Planning Commission, or Design Review Board concerning this project. The City shall promptly notify the applicant of any claim, action or proceeding and should cooperate fully in the defense thereof.