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KENSON VENTURES REAL ESTATE

11.24.2026

Dear Planning Division Staff,

We request approval to repaint the Crane Street façade of the existing two-story commercial building at 1142 Crane Street. The proposed palette replaces the yellow finish with warm off-white walls, light taupe trim, and dark accents on the upper-story window frames and side entry doors. The intent is to brighten the façade and give the storefront a more prominent, welcoming presence from the sidewalk.

1. Neighborhood character. The off-white and taupe tones complement the neutral façades of neighboring buildings. Subtle contrast at the cornice and window surrounds brings out the building's existing detailing and preserves the familiar pattern of tall windows above the storefront.

2. Harmonious and orderly growth. Repainting retains the building's two-story scale, footprint, and position along the sidewalk while accentuating the existing buildings architectural modulation. Maintaining this established frontage supports the El Camino Real/Downtown Specific Plan's goal of sustaining downtown's village character.

3. Neighborhood investment and occupancy. The project invests in the upkeep of an occupied commercial building. A freshly painted frontage that makes the business entrance easier to find benefits the existing tenant and helps keep the block attractive to prospective tenants and property owners.

4. Parking and access. This paint-only proposal preserves the existing parking supply and access routes. It adds no floor area and changes no use, so it generates no additional parking demand.

5. Specific Plan consistency. The lighter walls set off the existing burgundy awning over the main entrance, making the door more visible from Crane Street. The taupe trim above the storefront defines the ground floor and repeats the trim color at the roofline, tying the storefront to the rest of the building.

Thank you,

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PROJECT:
EXTERIOR PAINT
1142 CRANE ST
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