

Urban Design Referral Response

Application Number:	DA2020/0739
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Date:	19/08/2020
То:	Lashta Haidari
Land to be developed (Address):	Lot 13 DP 801798 , 62 May Road NARRAWEENA NSW 2099
	Lot 14 DP 801798 , 60 May Road NARRAWEENA NSW 2099
	Lot 15 DP 801798 , 58 May Road NARRAWEENA NSW 2099
	Lot 16 DP 801798 , 56 - 56 May Road NARRAWEENA NSW 2099
	Lot 17 DP 801798 , 54 - 54 May Road NARRAWEENA NSW 2099

Officer comments

The proposal has addressed the following issues identified in the Pre-Lodgement Meeting:

1. The building height of 8.5m has been exceeded with the third storey proposal. The Cl 4.6 variation can be supported if public benefits in the form of a public central courtyard is provided and the exceedance in height sensitively treated. The top storey has been set backed 3m. It should be cladded with a roofing material preferably in a darker colour to contrast against the bottom two floors so that it gives the impression of a roof form.

Response: The building height breach has been set-backed from the edge of the building by 3m and treated with a darker colour scheme to give the impression of a two-storey and a roof form when viewed from the surrounding streets.

2. Solar access to 50% of the courtyard should be achieved. Consider creating a solar corridor by deleting the top storey residential units to the north and replacing with a roof garden communal open space. Apartment Design Guide (page 55) recommends communal open space has a minimum area equal to 25% of the site area.

Response: The building gap on the top floor facing north has been increased to 9m to allow more solar access into the internal courtyard.

3. The central courtyard should be designed as a conducive public space with sensitive treatment of the balustrading details and softening the potentially harsh common corridor surrounds with green walls and soft landscaping.

Response: Soft landscaping, glass balustrades, feature wall and entry door recesses have been proposed to create an interesting space in the courtyard.

4. The access to the park next door from the central courtyard should take into account the feedback from Council's Parks and Recreation team. The thorough-fare introduced through the middle of the park could create an undesirable safety concern. However visual surveillance in the form of a raised deck café sitting area overlooking the park could be an improvement to the park safety.

Response: Visual surveillance overlooking the park has been increased using full height shop glazing and a wide entry gap to the internal courtyard.

The proposal is therefore supported.

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Note: Should you have any concerns with the referral comments above, please discuss these with the Responsible Officer.

Recommended Heritage Advisor Conditions:

Nil.

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