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DEVELOPMENT

A Backyard ADU Built for Parents in San Jose

Location: San Jose, California

Size: 600 sq. ft.

Services: Design Build Services (Design, Permitting, Construction)

Special feature: Delivered high-quality designs that perfectly captured the client's vision, with every detail refined through prompt, collaborative feedback.

Project Snapshot

The homeowner approached us with a clear objective: to build a 1-bedroom detached ADU designed specifically for his aging mother. Accessibility, comfort, and privacy were top priorities—he requested a larger-than-usual bedroom, minimal circulation space, and a porch connected to the bedroom for easy outdoor access.

Our design team carefully integrated these age-in-place considerations into the layout, while our in-house permit technicians ensured every detail met local code requirements. Thanks to a well-coordinated approach, the project received swift city approval - an efficient timeline that reflects both thoughtful planning and permit expertise.

What the Homeowner Wanted

The goal was simple but personal: create a warm, age-friendly space for the homeowner's mother.

- A larger bedroom for ease of movement and comfort
- A small porch connected to the bedroom, with views of the backyard
- A compact and efficient layout with minimal focus on dining/living areas
- They wanted something that felt like home—not just an add-on.

How We Brought It to Life

Tailored Design

We started with the client's daily routines and lifestyle in mind. Since the bedroom was a top priority, we gave it more space than what's typical in most ADUs. The attached porch became a calm little corner to enjoy the yard—something the homeowner really cared about.

Quick Iterations, Clear Communication

We shared layout options within 48 hours of each discussion, keeping things moving and decisions easy. While the layout took a little back-and-forth to finalize, the rest of the design came together in just two weeks.

Smart Permitting

The design had to work not just for comfort, but for the city too. We made sure everything was code-compliant and age-appropriate. Thanks to a well-coordinated approach, the project received swift city approval – an efficient timeline that reflects both thoughtful planning and permit expertise.

Project Highlights

- ✓ **Plans ready for the permit in just 10 weeks** from kickoff to submission
- ✓ **Design Revisions Turned Around in 2 Days**
- ✓ **Optimized Layout:** More functionality packed into 600 sq. ft.
- ✓ **Smooth Collaboration:** Clear communication helped make decisions easier

Project Owner Review

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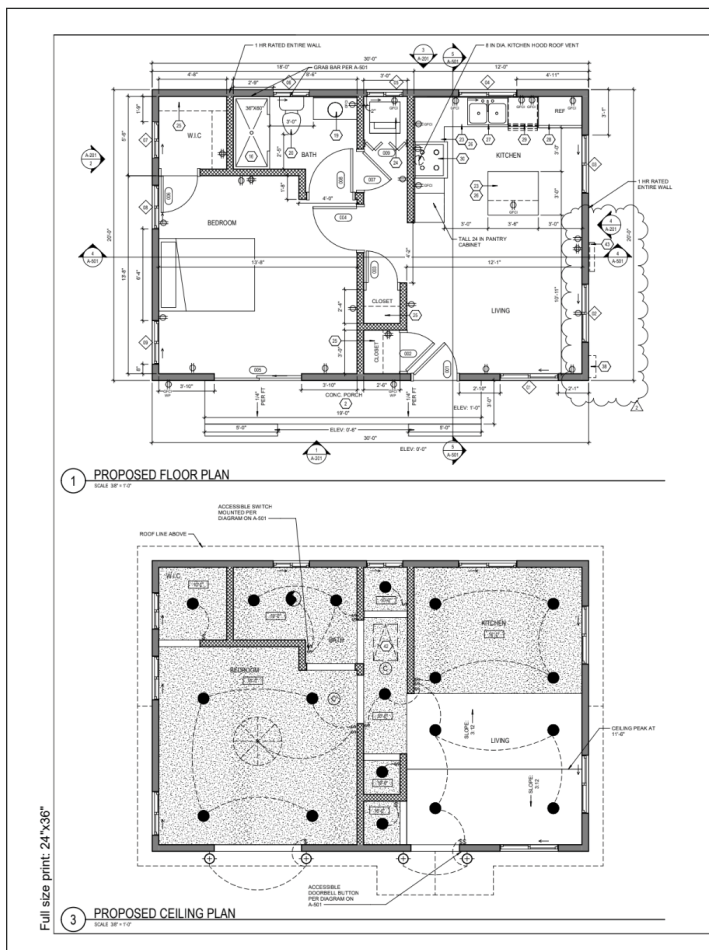
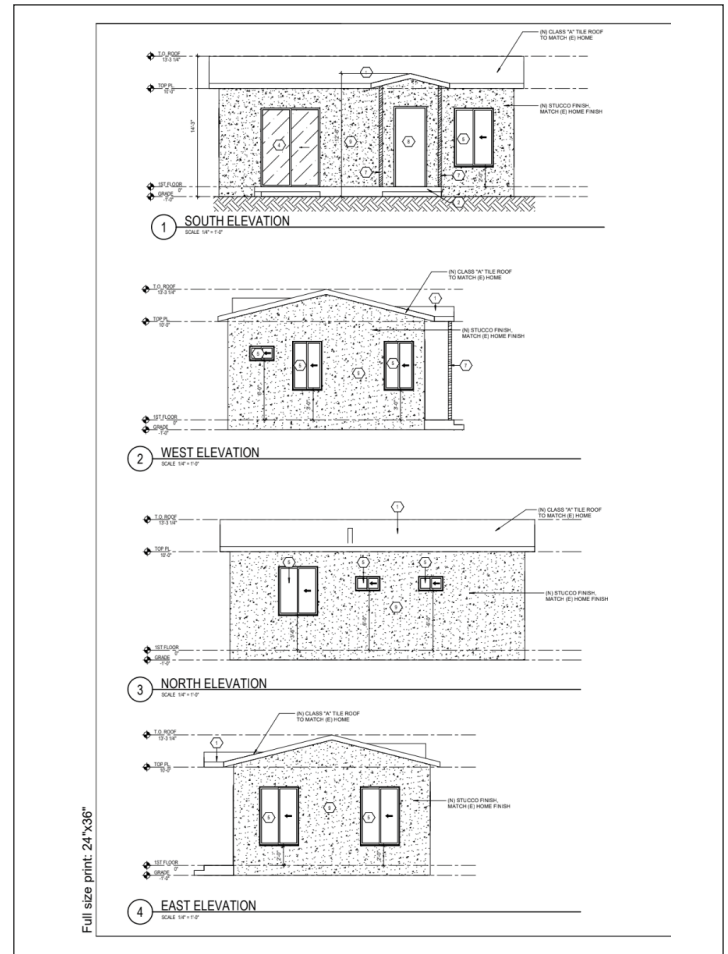
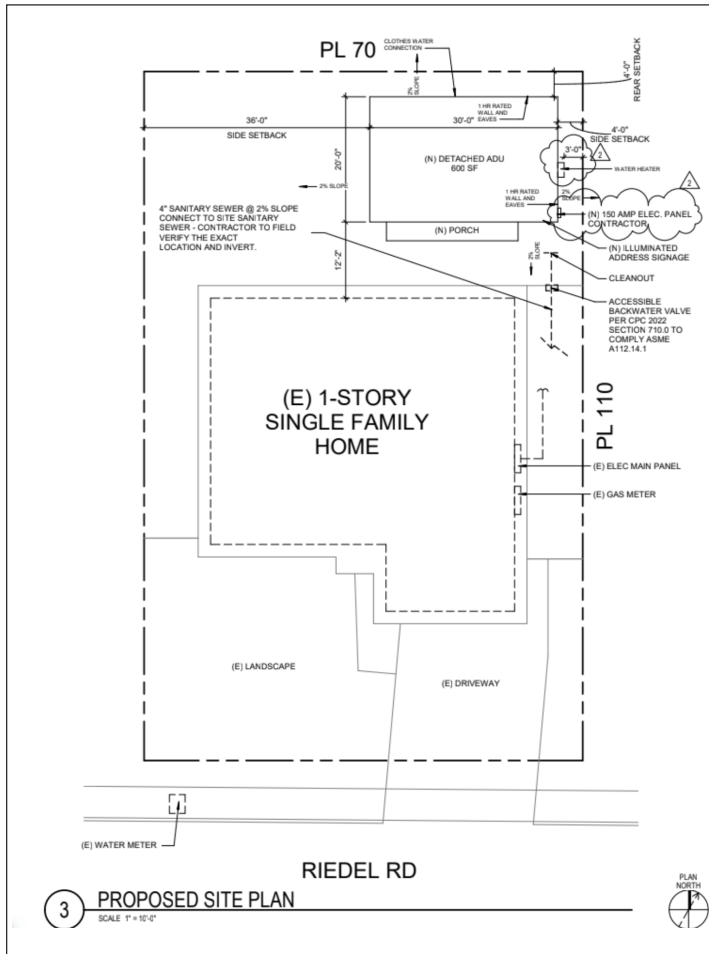
We just finished the permitting process with the city. Akanksha Akhouri the project manager has been on top of things and Christopher Gonzalez has been diligent in contacting the city to keep the permitting process going.



Akanksha Akhouri

Senior Project Manager, Lead on This Project
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Approved Project Plans



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