San Benito Student Housing
95% Schematic Design
Design Review Committee

UC Santa Barbara

June 13, 2024
Agenda
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1. **Project Schedule**

2. **Site Planning Progress**
   a. Arrival & Drop-Off Plaza
   b. Softening the Connector
   c. Expanded Amenities

3. **Architectural Expression Progress**
   a. Color & Material
   b. Stair Towers & Circulation Elements
Areas Of Focus

**Softening The Connector**
Studying ways of incorporating perforations and landscaping for enhanced placemaking

**Expanded Amenities**
Studying the addition of enhanced amenity offerings such as grilling stations, fitness nodes, and roof terraces

**Stairs & Circulation**
Studying opportunities for the stair towers to create difference, dynamism, and enhanced experiences for users

**Color & Material**
Exploring identity between buildings and unifying the project through materiality

**Arrival & Drop Off Plaza**
Exploring ways to enhance the arrival plaza with greater definition quality of space and the inclusion of a strong focal point
Macro Schedule

San Benito Design Phases
- Detailed Project Program: 5 months
- Schematic Design: 3.5 months
- Design Development: 4.5 months
- Construction Documentation: 6 months
- Construction: 27 months

95% SCHEMATIC DESIGN DRC PRESENTATION

Construction Documentation: 4/25/2025
Site Planning
Arrival & Drop Off Plaza
Exploring ways to enhance the arrival plaza with greater definition quality of space and the inclusion of a strong focal point

Softening The Connector
Studying ways of incorporating perforations and landscaping for enhanced placemaking
The Connector Spaces
SITE PLANNING

Landscaped Courtyards
The Connector Strategy
SITE PLANNING

Landscape Plan

Areas of Focus

- Project Entry Refinement
- Softening the Connector
SITE PLANNING

Arrival Plaza
SITE PLANNING

Arrival Plaza Circulation

Might it help development if the primary pedestrian path and the primary bicycle path were developed more distinctly as separate experiences?

(Current Bike Parking count: 2104)
SITE PLANNING

Connector Vista & Court Vista

Material Palette

Unit Paving
Outdoor Sports Surface
Timber Benches
SITE PLANNING

Court Vista
SITE PLANNING

Recreation Garden
SITE PLANNING

Central Plaza, Outdoor Dining & La Cumbre Vista

Material Palette

Unit Paving
Wooden Decking
Timber Benches
SITE PLANNING

Outdoor Dining
SITE PLANNING

Central Plaza
SITE PLANNING

La Cumbre Vista
Expanded Amenities
Studying the addition of enhanced amenity offerings such as grilling stations, fitness nodes, and roof terraces
Exercise Stations
Expanded Amenities
Integrated Indoor / Outdoor Spaces - Level 1

SITE PLANNING

Lounge

Fitness

Recreation
Architectural Expression
Color & Material
Exploring identity between buildings and unifying the project through materiality

Stairs & Circulation
Studying opportunities for the stair-towers to create difference, dynamism, and enhanced experiences for users
ARCHITECTURAL EXPRESSION

Color Selection
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Concrete
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Metal
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Wood
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Connector
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Towers
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Circulation
Material Precedents
ARCHITECTURAL EXPRESSION

Previous Stair Design
New Stair Configurations

1. Square Tower (w/ L1-2 Stair)
2. Rectangle Tower (N/S view)
3. Rectangle Tower (Extend S)
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