Maclay Architects' Path to Net Zero



Four Approaches to Selling NZ, LBC,

- Environmental Zealotry
- Pleasing Clients
- Collaborate with Clients
- Innovative, Aspirational Collaboration

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Do We Think in Multiple Ways?







A Disconnect







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Based on "Whole Brain Thinking"," Courtesy of: Graceworks Inc. 2009-2016

Single Family Home

- 1,600 sf
- \$16/sf Additional construction costs
- \$14/sf additional solar costs





Financial Analysis – Energy Consumption

INPUTS: Energy Model

CODE		NET ZERO READY	
Heat	19,826	Heat	2,406
Hot Water	5,000	Hot Water	2,667
Cooling		Cooling	
Lighting	585	Lighting	585
Other Elec	3,878	Other Elec	3,953
Total	29,289	Total	9,611

% ENERGY SAVINGS ABOVE CODE 67%

Energy Usage, kWh/yr

Financial Analysis – Financial Assumptions

INPUTS

- Interest Rate
- Loan Duration
- Fuel Escalation Rate











30-Year Cash Flow

• 30-Year savings



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Code Single Family



Years from project start

NZR Single Family

Cumulative Savings of Net Zero Ready vs Code



Paradigm Shift Payback v. Cash Flow





31% on 5 sides 45% on 6 sides No increased cost Infinite Return on Investment

Cost: Massing Savings:

Thermal diagrams



Existing Building Envelope

New Building Envelope



Lessons



- Speak to Client's "Whole Brain"
- Look for Levers