Noe Valley condo a natural for tech workers

By Jordan Guinn

Do you log insane hours in Silicon Valley and pretty much only go to your place to sleep? Sure, you might cook for a couple of friends on a rare day off, but you’re all equally content exploring the neighborhood for unique cafes and shops.

The Noe Valley neighborhood of San Francisco draws a great deal of young and energetic people living on their own for the first time for this very reason.

In the case of 930 Elizabeth St., Unit 1, the residence reflects Noe Valley’s refashioning into a neighborhood teeming with tech employees.

Near the 24th Street corridor, the building sits near public transportation and readily accesses the highway.

“Not only does it have bay views, it’s a well-positioned location,” said Carlos Cabarcos of Vanguard Properties, who is co-listing the unit with Frank Nolan for $479,000.

The unit includes a parking space and storage area. Most importantly, Cabarcos said, the garage parking is side by side, giving residents simple access to their vehicle all hours of the day.

“You never have to wait for anyone to move their car,” he said.

The wave of tech workers flocking to Noe Valley is just another chapter in the neighborhood’s history. Edwardians and Victorians stand shoulder to shoulder in a neighborhood that once sprouted pastures and ranches.

Shortly after gold seduced men west, the subdivision known as Horner’s Addition attracted blue-collar families. Much of the neighborhood architecture dates back to the turn of the 20th century, with some structures surviving the 1906 earthquake and fire. The

Above: The kitchen of 930 Elizabeth St. in San Francisco includes a breakfast bar and glass tile backsplash. Below: The one-bedroom unit has hardwood flooring and views of the surrounding hillside.

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Details

Address: 930 Elizabeth St., Unit 1, Noe Valley
Price: $479,000
Open home: 2 to 4 p.m. Sunday
Features: This newly remodeled one-bedroom includes a shared laundry room and a parking space and is near public transportation and tech shuttles.

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creator of the subdivision, John Meirs Horner, named a street for his wife, Elizabeth Horner. The one-bedroom unit now resides in a building on that street.

The simple layout revolves around an open floor plan. Azure glass tiles form the kitchen’s colorful backsplash, and Caesarstone counters top a convenient breakfast bar. A sliding glass door off the living room opens to a balcony.

Young professionals flock to condos and TICs because a major repair or upgrade doesn’t necessarily become their financial burden. Next year the entire building will undergo a retrofit the incoming buyer won’t have to pay for, Cabarcos said.

The listing is open Sunday from 2 to 4 p.m.

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The remodeled condo in Noe Valley hosts a bathroom with contemporary design elements.

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