

Staff Report

PLANNING DIVISION COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

- To: Salt Lake City Planning Commission
- From: Daniel Echeverria, 801-535-7165, daniel.echeverria@slcgov.com
- Date: September 17, 2015
- Re: PLNSUB2015-00624 & PLNPCM2015-00625 600 South Apartments Planned Development and Conditional Building and Site Design Review

Planned Development & Conditional Building and Site Design Review

PROPERTY ADDRESS: 616 S State Street PARCEL ID: 16-06-354-018 MASTER PLAN: Central Community, Downtown ZONING DISTRICT: D-1, (Downtown) Central Business District & D-2, Downtown Support District

REQUEST: Adam Lankford, representing the developer The Wasatch Group, is requesting approval from the City to develop a proposed 274-unit apartment building at the above listed address. The applicant is requesting Planned Development approval for relaxation of certain required zoning standards related to ground floor commercial uses and building length. The development also requires Conditional Building and Site Design Review as the proposal exceeds certain height and setback limitations. Currently the land is vacant and the property is zoned D-1, Central Business District, and D-2, Downtown Support District. The subject property is within Council District 4, represented by Luke Garrott.

RECOMMENDATION (Planned Development & Conditional Building and Site Design Review): Based on the findings listed in the staff report, it is the Planning Staff's opinion that overall the project generally meets the applicable standards and therefore, recommends the Planning Commission approve the Planned Development and Conditional Building and Site Design request with conditions.

Staff recommends the following motion:

Based on the information in the staff report, public testimony, and discussion by the Planning Commission, I move that the Planning Commission approve the Planned Development and Conditional and Building Site Design Review request. In order to comply with the applicable standards, the following conditions of approval apply:

- 1. The applicant shall comply with all other Department/Division conditions attached to this staff report.
- 2. The applicant shall provide landscaping plans that comply with 21A.48.055 "Water Efficient Landscaping" and all other applicable regulations of 21A.48 for building permit approval.
- 3. Entrance awnings shall be provided at stair well entrances as shown on the attached renderings.
- 4. Park strip landscaping shall include street trees located approximately every thirty (30) feet as noted in <u>Attachment H</u>.
- 5. Final approval of lighting and landscaping for the midblock walkway shall be delegated to Planning staff to ensure its adequacy for pedestrian comfort and safety.
- 6. Final approval of signage, lighting, and landscaping to be delegated to Planning staff to ensure compliance with the CBSD and PD regulations.

- 7. The applicant shall record a perpetual access easement from the west side of the building to the west property line. The easement shall extend from the north property line southward for approximately 165 feet. The easement shall specify that the area will allow public pedestrian access at such a time when the remainder of the midblock walkway is developed through the block. Until that time, the walkway may be fenced and gated. Alternatives to this walkway easement may be approved by the Planning Director if they provide the same or greater access through the block.
- 8. Final approval authority for the development shall be delegated to Planning staff based on the **applicant's compliance with the standards and conditions** of approval as noted within this staff report.

ATTACHMENTS:

- A. Vicinity Map
- **B.** Site Plans
- **C.** Building Elevations and Renderings
- **D.** Additional Applicant Information
- **E.** Property & Vicinity Photographs
- **F.** Existing Conditions
- **G.** Analysis of Standards Planned Development
- H. Analysis of Standards Conditional Building and Site Design Review
- I. Public Process and Comments
- **J.** Department Review Comments
- **K.** Motions

PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

The developer is seeking to modify the height standards for two zones through the Conditional Building and Site Design Review process in order to develop a multi-family apartment building. The D-1, Central Business District, zone requires any development within 165 feet of a block corner to develop up to a **minimum of 100' in height.** The property is also zoned D-2, Downtown Support District on the south side of the property, which has a 65' maximum height limit. However, both height standards are specifically allowed to be modified by the Zoning Ordinance if the development meets the standards of the Conditional Building and Site Design Review process. The building is proposed to be approximately 74 feet tall.

The applicant is also seeking to modify the requirement for ground floor commercial uses that are normally required in front of parking structures. The parking structure is integrated into the building, occupying the majority of the 1st floor. Parking structures in the D-1 zone are required to be located behind "adequately sized retail goods/service establishments, office and/or restaurant space on the ground floor adjacent to the public sidewalk to encourage pedestrian activity." If the applicant were to locate the parking in a separate building behind the apartments, they would not have to provide commercial spaces on the ground floor of their development. However, as the parking is located within the building, the Zoning Ordinance requires specific ground floor uses adjacent to the sidewalk.

As such, the applicant has applied for a Planned Development in order to modify the **"ground floor commercial use"** standard and is proposing to incorporate uses associated with the apartment use, such as leasing offices, exercise rooms, and bicycle facilities on the ground floor rather than commercial uses. The development includes some leasable commercial office space on the State Street side of the development that meets the normal Zoning Ordinance standard, but the majority of the ground floor facade is proposed to be occupied by these other non-commercial uses. The reasons for this modification request are detailed in their attached application letter in <u>Attachment D</u>. Additionally, the applicant is requesting modification through the Planned Development process to the 300' maximum building length limit in the Conditional Building and Site Design standards.

The proposed building is six stories tall, with five of those stories being occupied by apartments, and the ground floor being occupied by the parking area, the proposed accessory apartment uses, and the leasable commercial office space. The building is broken up with three common courtyards on the 2nd floor, which

create three different building masses along the 600 South side. The proposal also includes a small dog turf area on the west side of the building.

KEY ISSUES:

The key issues listed below have been identified through the analysis of the project, neighbor and community input and department review comments.

- 1. Corner Architecture on State Street and 600 South resolved
- 2. Ground Floor Activation resolved
- 3. Length of Building (>300 feet) resolved

Issue 1 – Corner Architecture on State Street and 600 South – resolved

The original proposal did not include any rooftop or cornice level details on the corner of the property at the intersection of State Street and 600 South. Further, the architectural detailing for this corner was set back so that the corner was not a prominent feature of the building, especially when viewed looking up the **street from the south or west. The intent of the requirement for a minimum of 100' of building height at** corners is to help create a distinct anchoring node at street intersections, frame the view vistas down the street, and create more of an enclosure for pedestrians at intersections. Modifications to the building height requirement for the zone should still generally meet the intent of the ordinance.

Based on initial planning staff concerns, the developer has now proposed a design that includes additional and distinctive cornice level treatment on the corner that helps emphasize the corner of the building despite being less than 100 feet tall. The corner architectural detailing has also been expanded in width and pushed closer to the street on the lower levels of the building, which helps call attention to the corner of the building and emphasize it as a significant feature. These modifications better meet the intent of the ordinance requirement for building height than the original proposal and staff has found these to be an acceptable alternative.



Rendering of the proposed development viewed from the intersection of 600 South and State Street. Additional renderings are located in <u>Attachment C</u>.

Issue 2- Ground Floor Activation - Resolved

The original proposal incorporated a small amount of residential uses in front of the parking on the ground floor, but the majority of each ground floor elevation was occupied by parking located directly behind the ground floor glass. The Zoning Ordinance requires specific commercial uses on the ground floor in front of parking structures that are adequately sized so that they can be filled with viable commercial uses that provide activity on the street. The intent of this regulation is to ensure that the street is activated by preventing parking structures from being built in the midblock areas of the downtown that include either no other uses along the street level or small commercial spaces that are not big enough to support viable uses. Commercial uses help activate the street by providing human activity or the potential for human activity along the sidewalk. The developer initially stated that incorporating commercial uses along the entirety of the ground floor would be prohibitively difficult financially and so requested a modification to this standard through the Planned Development process.

Although the developer included high quality building materials and glass in quantities that maintained transparency along the ground level, the ground floor in the initial submittal provided little variation in detailing and the majority of the ground floor windows looked into the parking structure. As such, staff requested that additional changes to these ground floor areas be made to both break up the monotony of the ground floor is a key component in ensuring that the pedestrian realm along the sidewalk is an active and safe experience for pedestrians. The perception of human activity or possible human activity behind building facades enhances the perception of safety along a sidewalk and helps increase the potential use of and activity along that sidewalk. These are key goals for the downtown community and relate to the intent of the normally required commercial uses along ground floor façades for parking structures.



Ground floor plan showing active uses along street frontage. Leasable office space is shown in the bottom right corner.

In response to staff concerns, the developer has now proposed a ground floor facade that is broken up with publicly accessible courtyards and a higher number of building entrances which include more prominent entrance features. The developer has also located residentially related uses, such as gym space, bicycle repair areas, and leasing office uses along the ground floor of the building on the both the State Street and

600 South sides of the building. Additionally, some leasable commercial office space is located on the State Street portion of the ground floor. These uses now take up the nearly the entire length of each ground level façade and push the parking areas deeper into the building. Staff has found that the location of these uses and the lack of parking directly behind the ground level facade meet the intent of the ordinance requirement for commercial uses. Although these are mostly not commercial uses, they are potentially active uses and help activate the public realm along the sidewalk. Further, these spaces do not run the risk of being vacant in the long term, which has been a problem for some commercial spaces along this section of 600 South.

Alternatively, the developer could have proposed a parking structure behind the building. If this was done, the Zoning Ordinance would not require any ground floor commercial uses to help activate the street frontage along the proposed apartment building. The building could simply have residential or building service related uses, such as equipment storage rooms, located along the ground floor. The proposal with more active ground floor uses is a better alternative than what the base zoning would have allowed.

Issue 3- Length of Building (>300 feet) – Resolved

The building is approximately 400 feet in length along the 600 South frontage. The Conditional Building and Site Design review requires that a building or contiguous groups of buildings do not exceed a combined 300 feet of length. However, the Planned Development process allows for modification of this standard as long as a modification still meets the intent of the standard through an alternative design. The intent of this length limitation is to help break up long monotonous walls of buildings and to also encourage the provision of midblock pedestrian walkways that help break up the City's 600 foot long blocks.



Rendering of east-most courtyard on 600 South side.

As discussed in issue 2, the original proposal included a fairly monotonous ground floor treatment along the 600 South facing side of the building that did not adequately activate the street frontage. In response to staff concerns and in order to meet the intent of this standard, the developer has broken up the building with public courtyards on the ground floor that break up the monotony of a long

building wall. The developer has also divided the massing of the building on the upper level with private large courtyards that makes the building read as though it is three separate buildings.



Updated landscape plan showing green courtyards and midblock walkway.

Additionally the developer has agreed to install a mid-block walkway along the west side of the building as shown in the above landscape plan. The final midblock walkway landscape plan will need to include pedestrian oriented lighting and landscaping that help create a comfortable walking environment in this space and compliance with this requirement is a condition of approval. Although the walkway does not currently extend through the block, the expectation is that in the long term other new developments on this block could build extensions to the walkway that would complete the connection to the other end of the block. The developer will be required to record a perpetual right-of-way easement across this area of the property. The easement will need to specify that it will allow public pedestrian access when the walkway is completed through the block in the future. This requirement is a condition of approval.

DISCUSSION:

As discussed above and in <u>attachments G</u> and <u>H</u>, the proposal generally meets the standards for both Conditional Building and Site Design Review and a Planned Development. In general, the proposal addresses the pedestrian oriented design standards of the CBSD review and uses an alternative approach to the design that still meets the intent of the zoning ordinance standards. As such, staff is recommending approval of the proposed development with the suggested conditions.

NEXT STEPS:

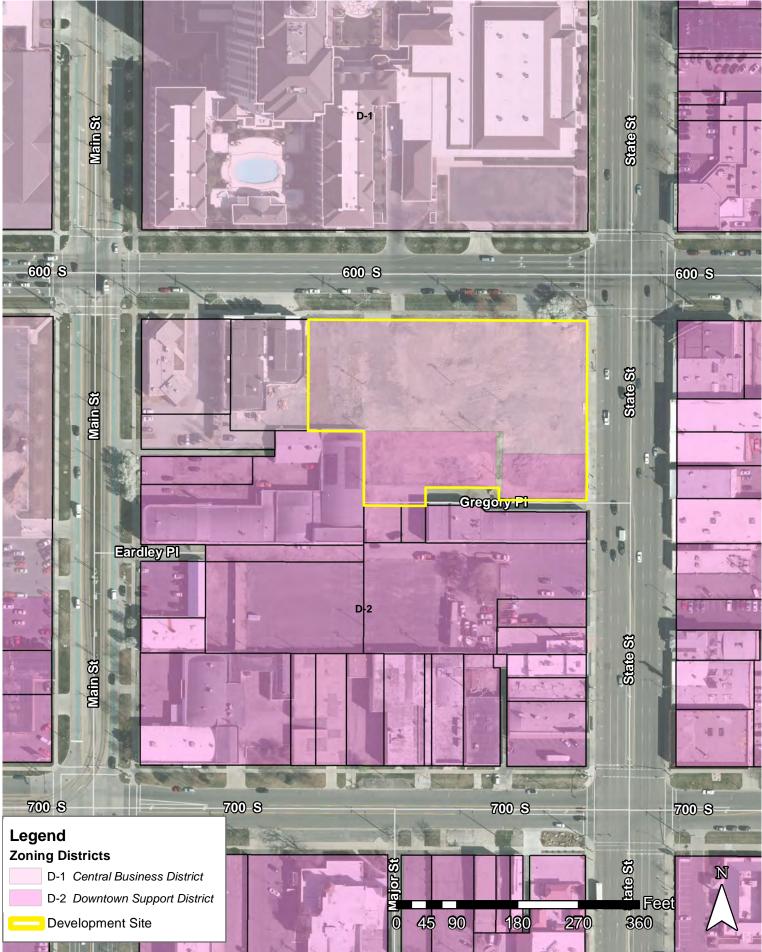
Planned Development/Conditional Building and Site Design Review Approval

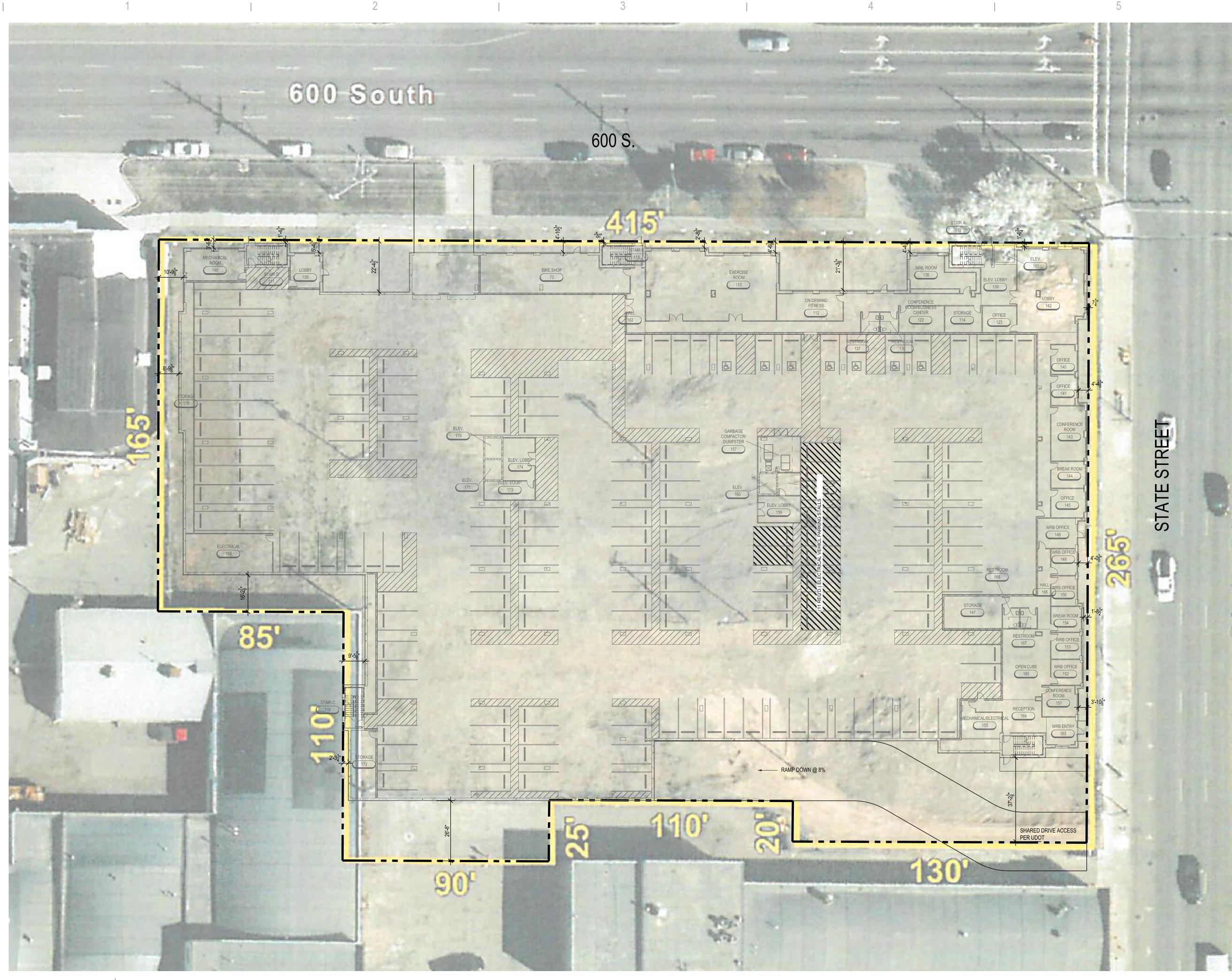
If the Planned Development and Conditional Building and Site Design Review are approved, the applicant will need to need to comply with the conditions of approval, including any of the conditions required by City departments and the Planning Commission. The applicant will be able to submit for building permits for the development and the plans will need to meet any conditions of approval. Final certificates of occupancy for the buildings will be issued when all conditions are met.

Planned Development/Conditional Building and Site Design Review Denial

If the Planned Development and Conditional Building and Site Design Review are denied, the applicant will still be able to develop the property, but any development would need to be 100 feet high within 165' of the corner of the site and would need to comply with all other normal zoning ordinance requirements.

Vicinity Map





A1 SCHEMATIC SITE PLAN AS101 SCALE: 1" = 20'

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TOTAL LOT SF	100,310 SF	= 2.30 ACRES
PARKING LEVEL 1 SF PARKING LEVEL 2 SF LEVEL 1 SF LEVEL 2 SF LEVEL 3 SF LEVEL 4 SF LEVEL 5 SF TOTAL SF		48,000 SF 84,000 SF 53,000 SF 53,000 SF 53,000 SF 53,000 SF 397,000 SF
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PARKING LEVEL 2		155 STALLS
TOTAL STALLS		280 STALLS
PARKING RATIO		1.02 STALLS / UNIT

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PARKING RATIO

MAJOR TRANSPORTATION DEMAND MANAGEMENT STRATEGIES: -AT LEAST FIFTY PERCENT (50%) OF THE REQUIRED BICYCLE PARKING PROVIDED IN THE FORM OF SECURED LONG TERM BICYCLE PARKING LOCATED IN THE INTERIOR OF A BUILDING AND MADE AVAILABLE TO RESIDENTS, EMPLOYEES OR PATRONS OF THE DEVELOPMENT. -AN ON SITE BUSINESS CENTER OR SATELLITE OFFICE FACILITY, WITHIN A RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT, DESIGNED TO FACILITATE TELECOMMULTING

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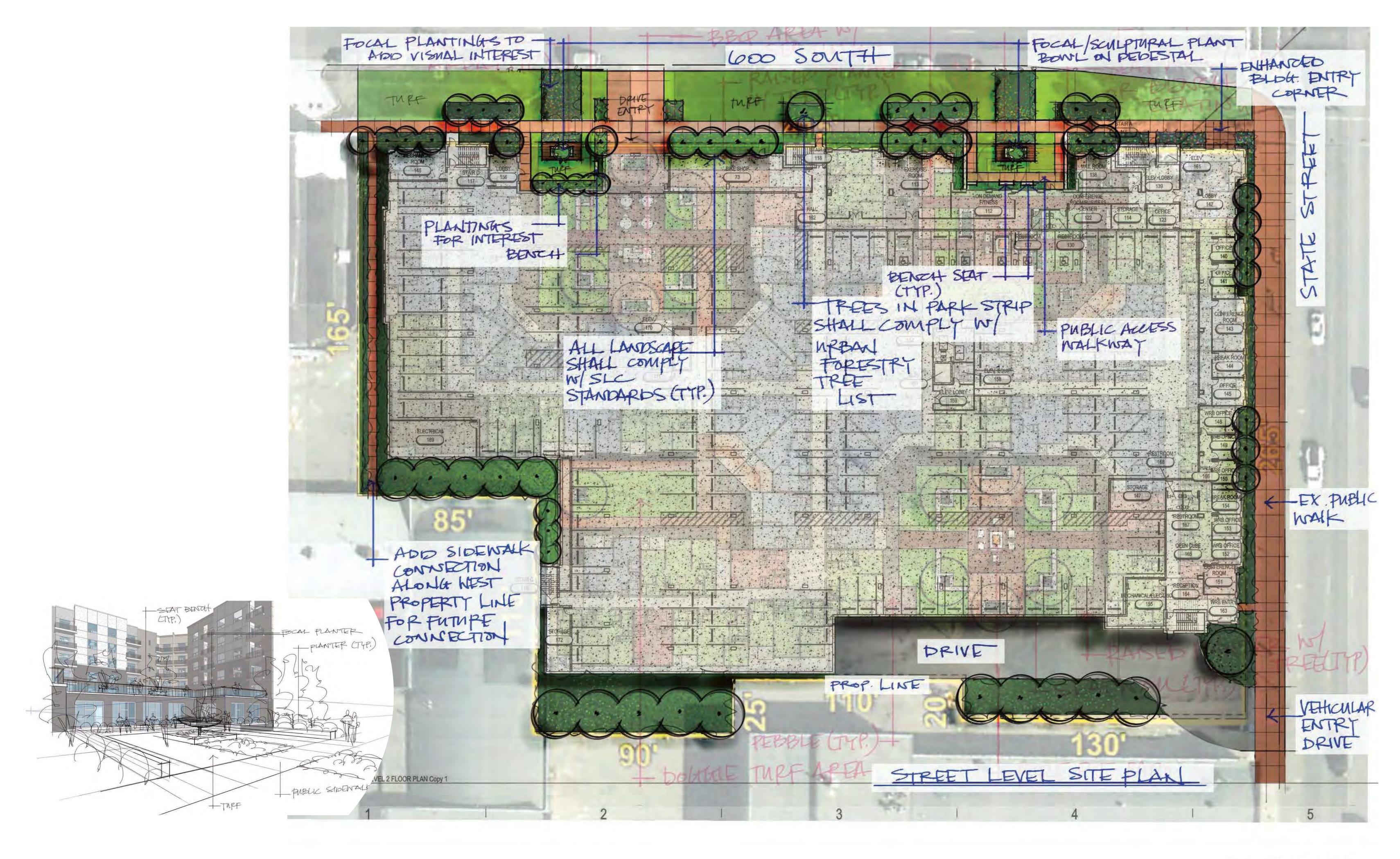
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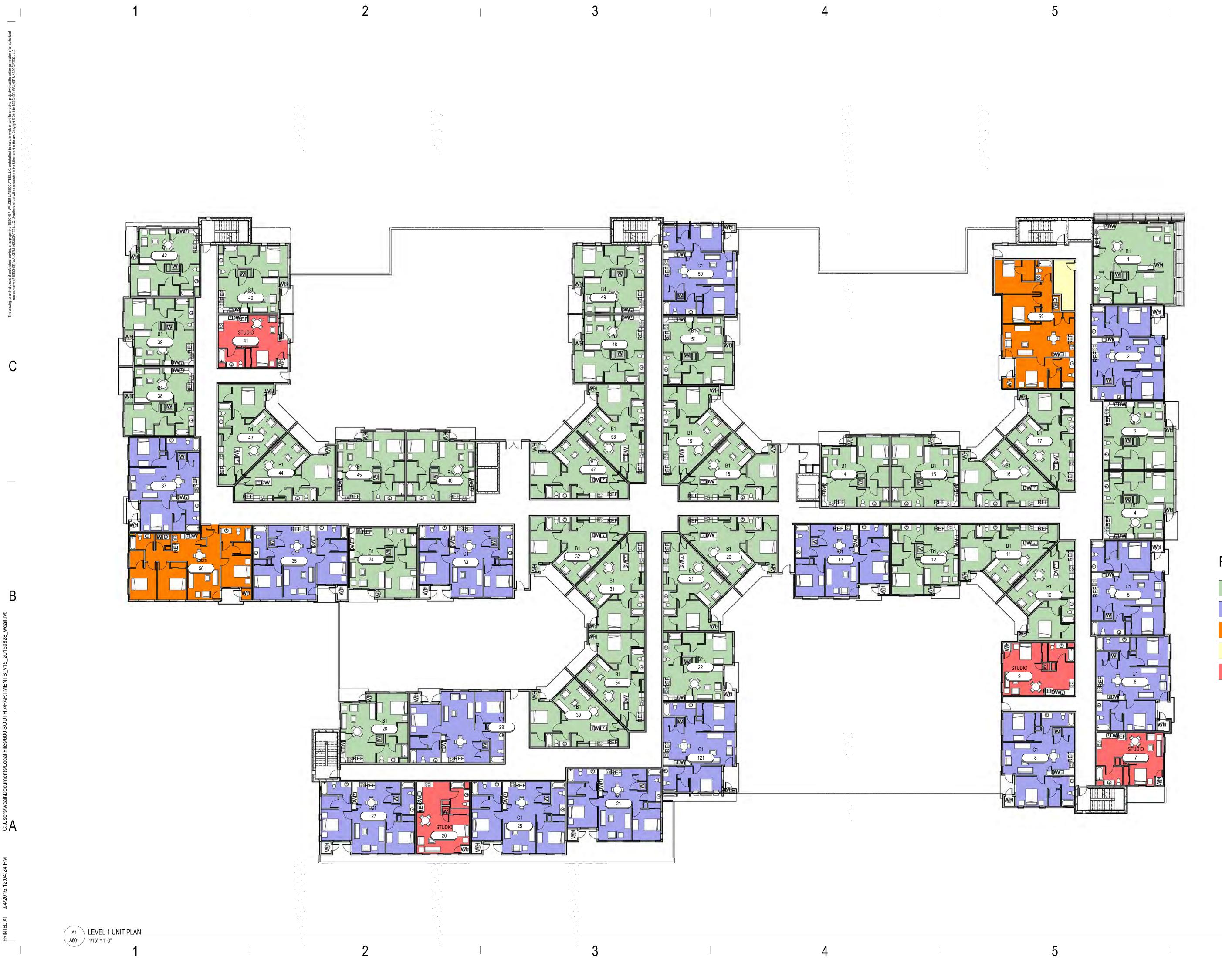
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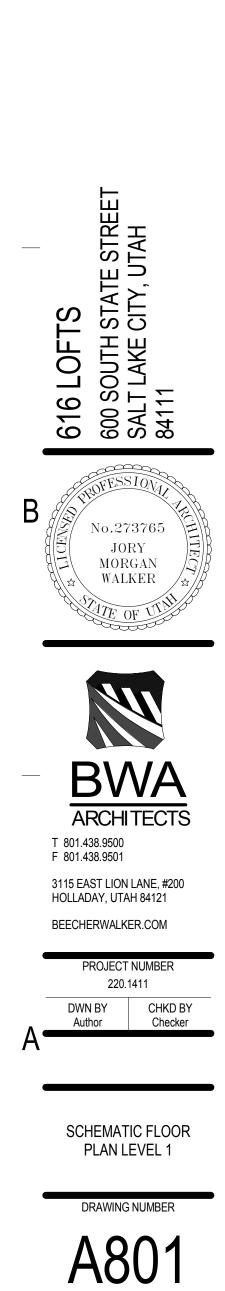
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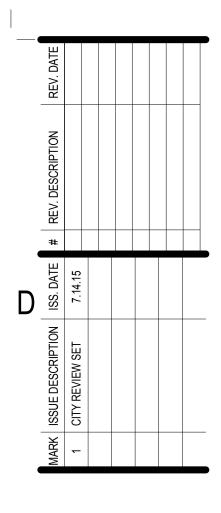


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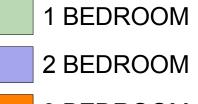
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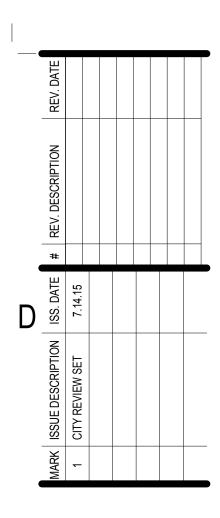
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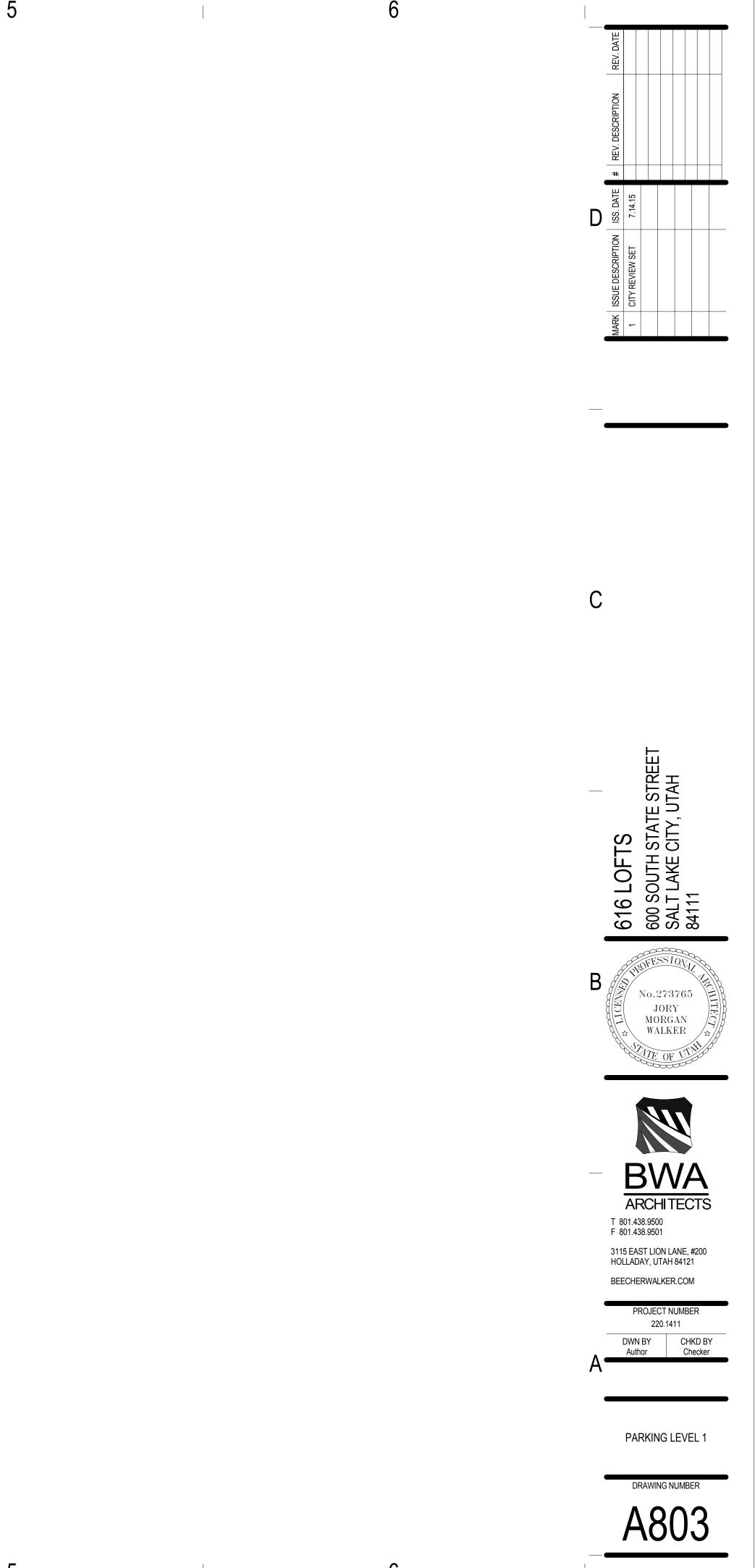


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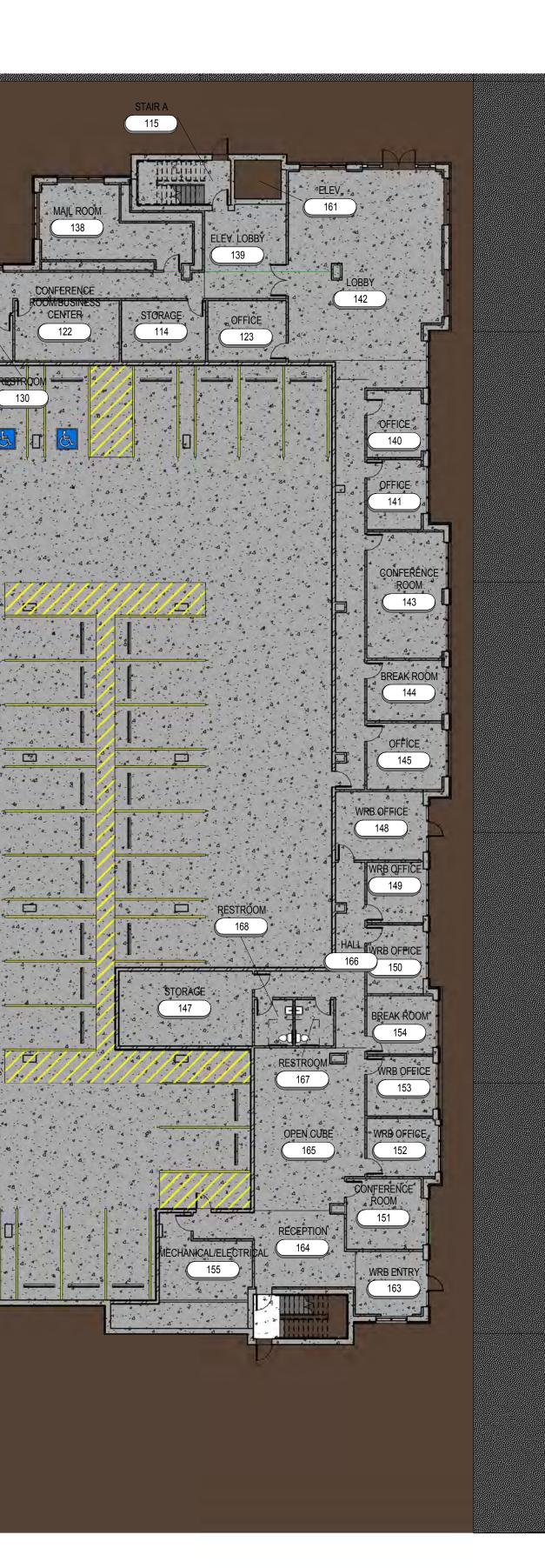
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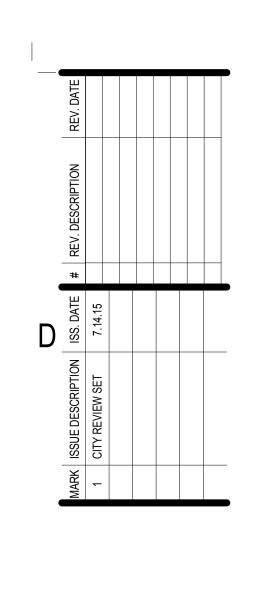
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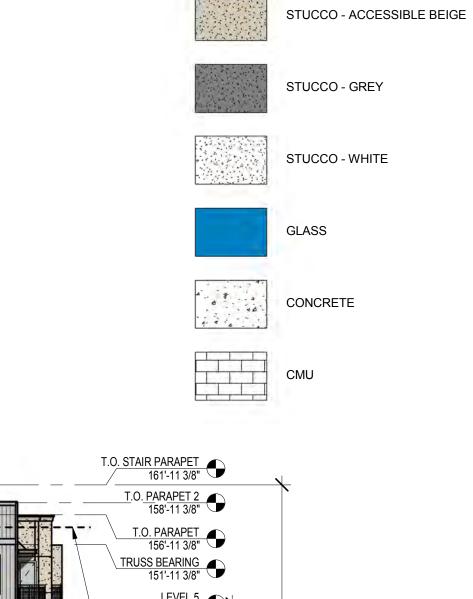


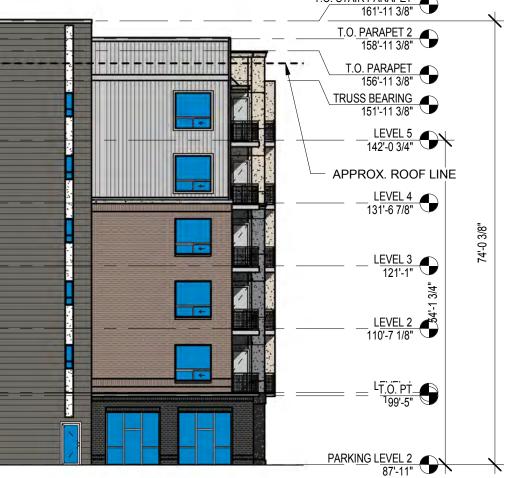
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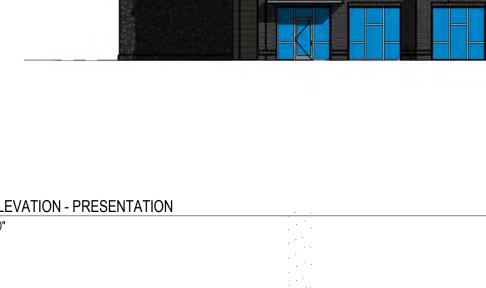
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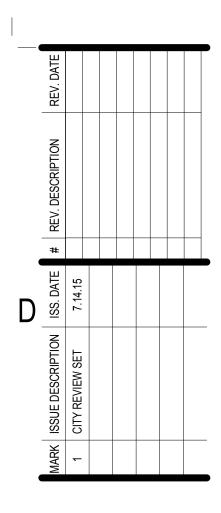




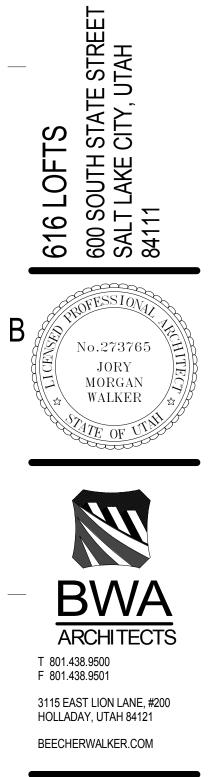
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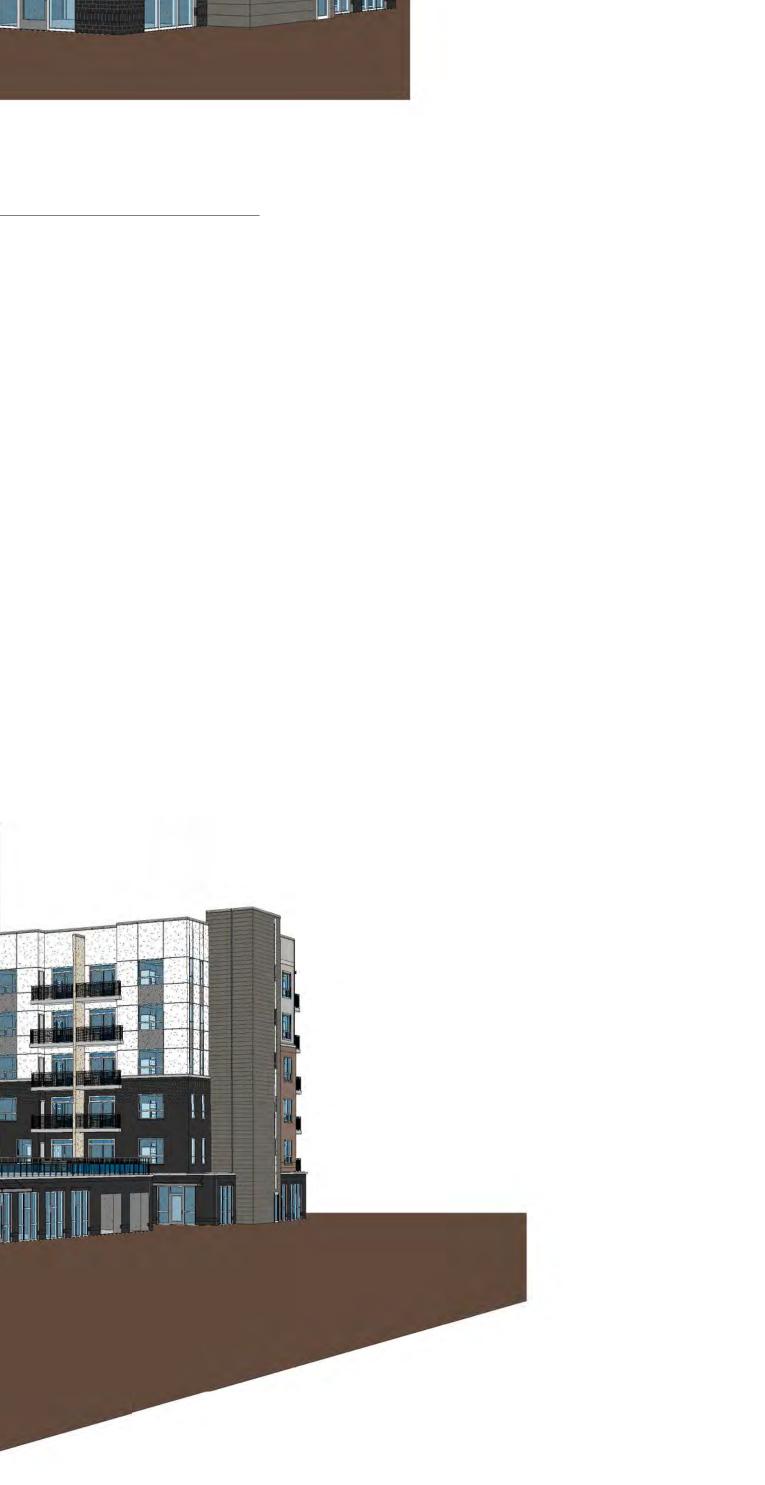
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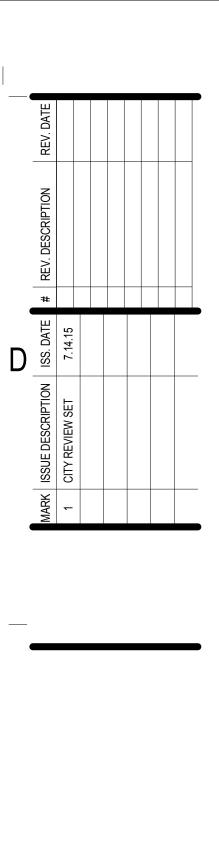




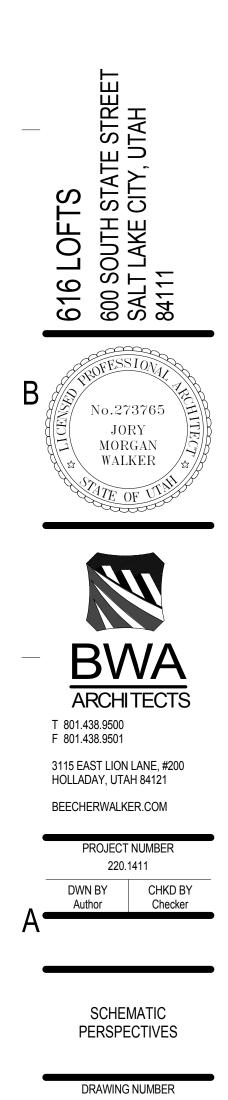
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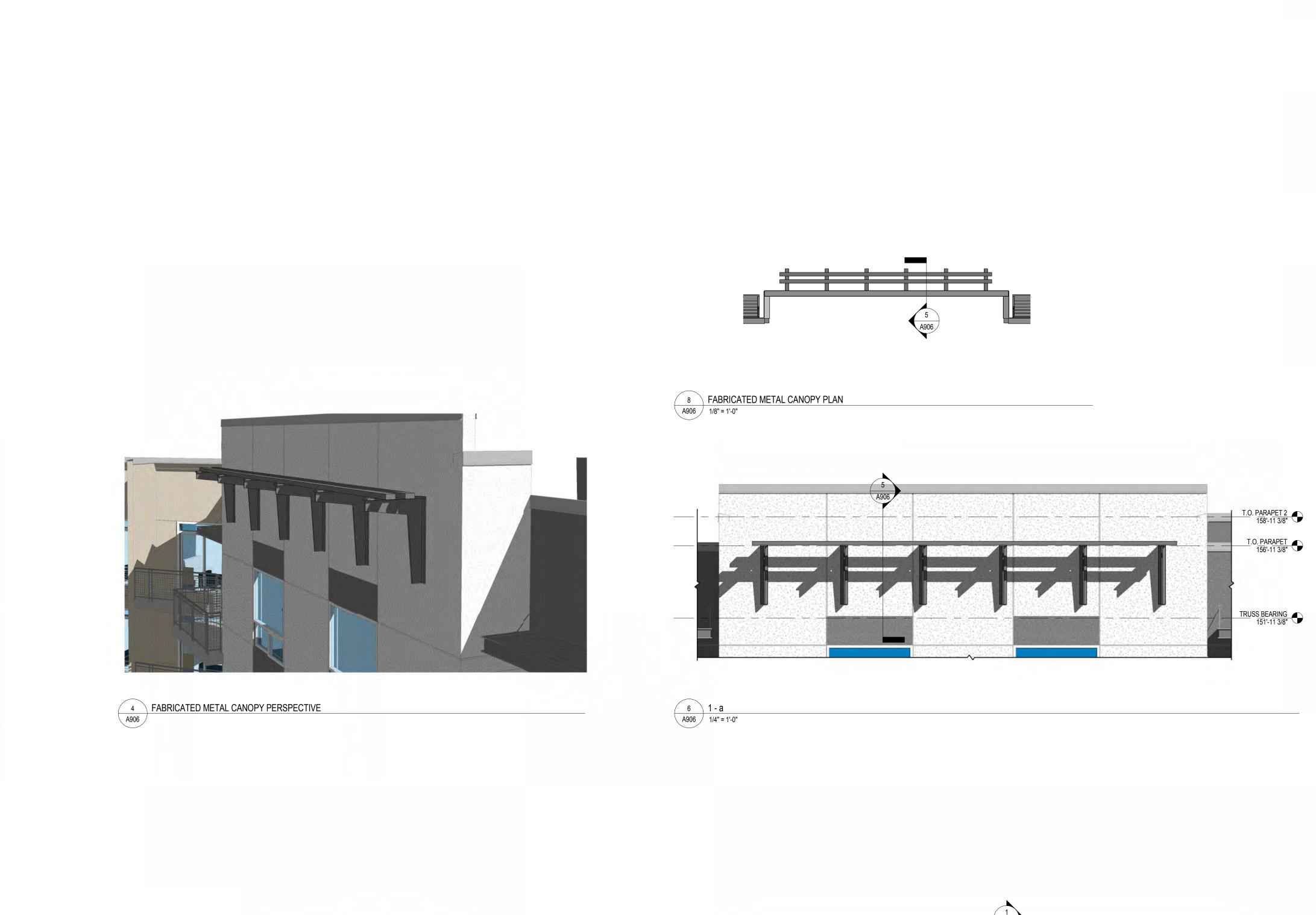


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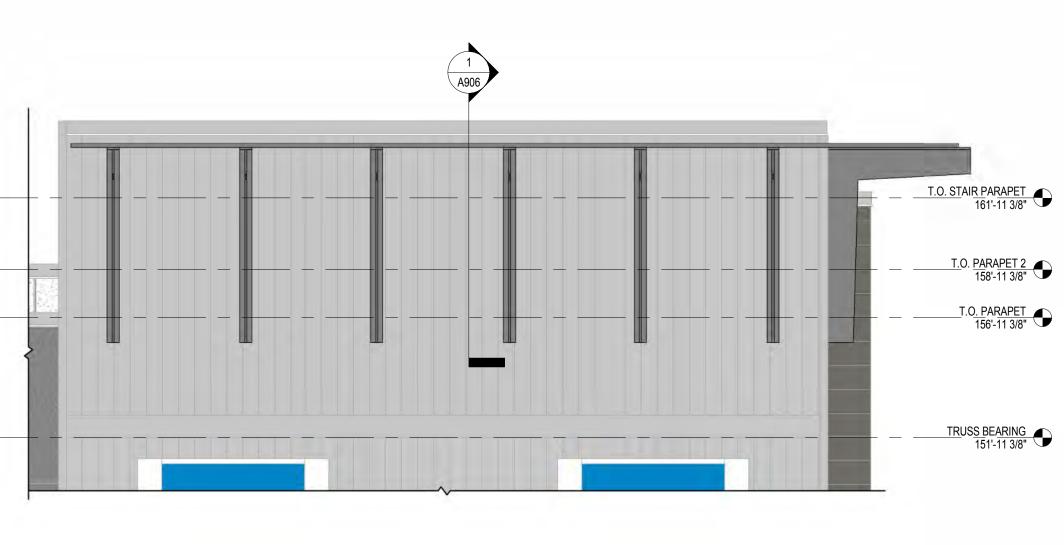
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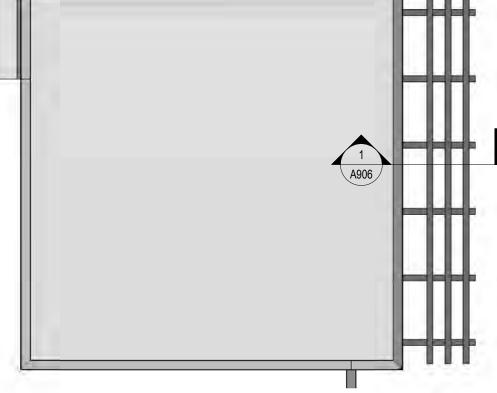
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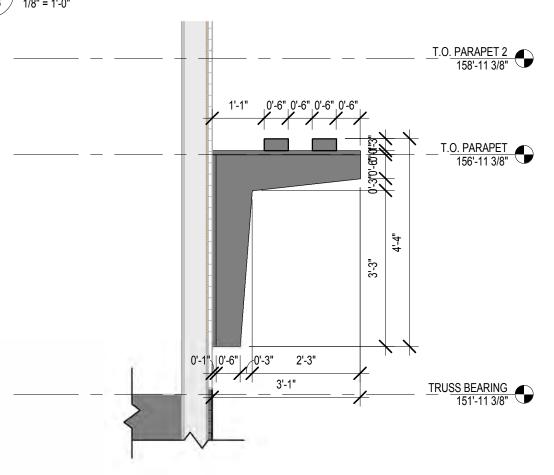
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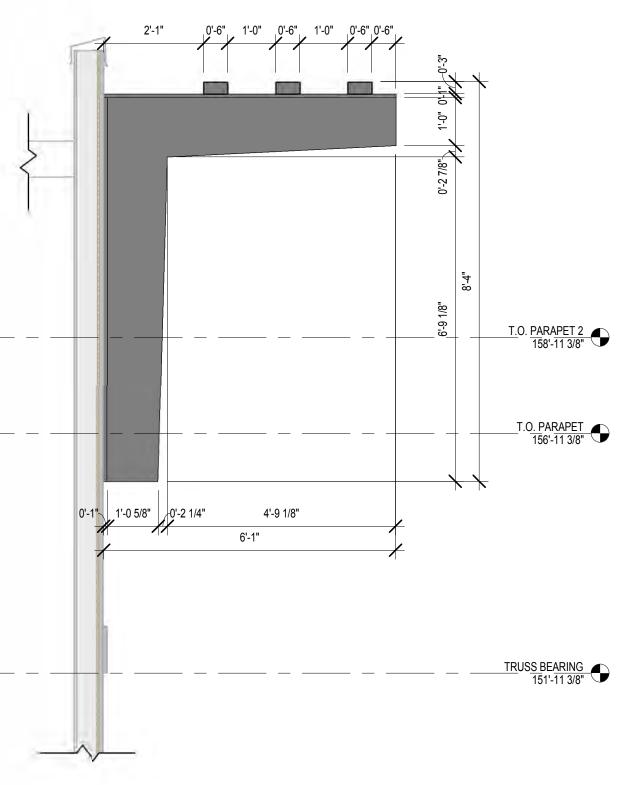
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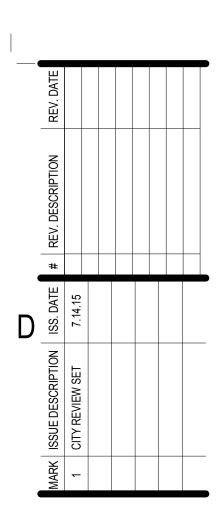


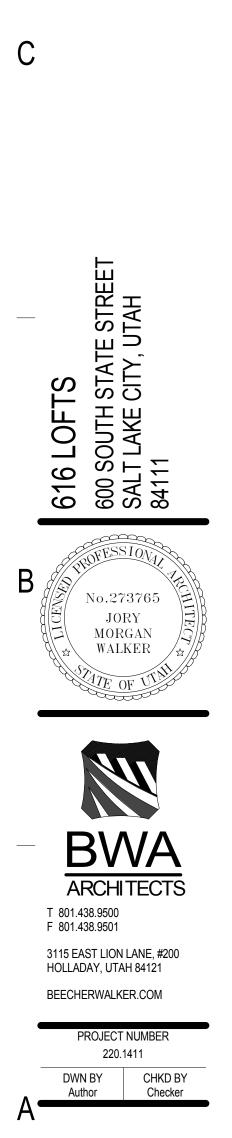




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1 FABRICATED METAL CANOPY (ENTRANCE) SECTION A906 1/2" = 1'-0"





SCHEMATIC DETAILS



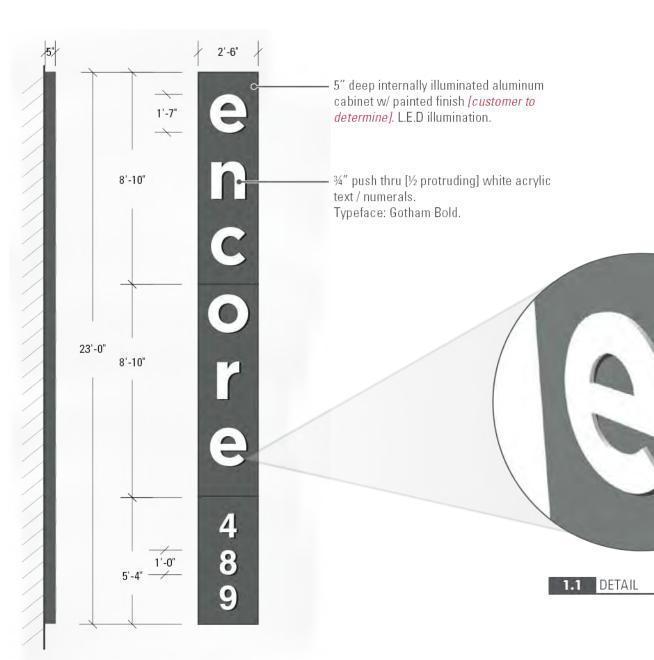


2 NORTH LIGHTING ELEVATION A907 1/16" = 1'-0"



LIGHTING DIAGRAM





SCALE: 1/4" = 1'-0"





INTERN. ILLUM WALL SIGN

QUANTITY: 1 MANUFACTURE & INSTALL

PEDESTRIAN ORIENTED SIGNAGE EXAMPLE

ART SUPERIMPOSED ON PHOTO - SCALE: 1/32" - 1*0"

SCOPE OF WORK:

MANUFACTURE & INSTALL ONE [1] S/F INTERNALLY ILLUMINATED CABINET W/ PUSH THRU ACRYLIC.

PERMITTING SIGN AREA: 57.50ft²

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No.	Date / Description
orig.	2015.02.06
\triangle	2015.02.24 / chg logo
2	2015.02.26 / reduced size of numerals by 15%
A	2015.03.02 / reduced size of numerals to 12" - reduce sign to 23' tail
A	2015.03.10 / replaced "C" w/ "C" from font

Approval

Client Sign / Date

Landlord Sign / Date

Encore Apartments 489 E 400 S SLC, UT

Acct. Exec: Randy Olson Designer: Larry Cohen

Orig: 02.06.2015

1 - S/F Wall Sign

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ATTACHMENT D: ADDITIONAL APPLICANT INFORMATION



September 4, 2015

Salt Lake City Planning Commission 451 South State Street Salt Lake City, Utah 84114-5480

Dear Planning Commissioners:

Please allow me a moment of your time to introduce the Wasatch 616 Lofts located on the southwest corner of State Street and 600 South. The project will consist of 274 apartment homes all of which will be "affordable" under the IRS Section 42 LIHTC program. These apartment homes will be limited to individuals and families earning 40%-60% of the Area Median Income ("AMI"). This particular demographic has been largely overlooked in the most recent housing boom within Salt Lake City. Developers have done a great job providing housing for high income earners and the lowest of earners (<40% AMI); but those earning moderate incomes and in need of workforce housing have few choices within the city. The site provides easy access to TRAX and is within walking distance to downtown, the major employment center for residents. The project will consist of two levels of structured parking, one of which will be mostly subterranean, with 5 levels of residential located above the parking. Four large courtyards will be located adjacent to the first level units and will feature large planters, trees, outdoor living rooms, barbeque areas, outdoor eating spaces, a dog park and other similar type gathering areas. All parking areas will be concealed with active space such as leasing offices, fitness center, yoga studio, event room, bike shop and commercial office space.

The parcel has two zoning designations, D-1 and D-2. These two zones have varying height restrictions that prevent the project from complying with both zones. The building will be approximately 75 feet in height. Additionally, the D-1 zone requires "activated frontage" at the street level. As stated above, the project will comply with this requirement. The site does pose a number of challenges including: a unique size and shape, large frontage along 600 South, UDOT limitation of garage access points and street parking, and the fact that 600 South is a One Way arterial street. However despite the challenges, the site is a great location for affordable housing due to the close proximity to the large downtown employment center.

Project Highlights and Details:

- The project will be a partnership with Utah Housing Corporation, Olene Walker Housing Loan Fund, the Salt Lake City Housing Trust Fund and The Wasatch Group (applications are being prepared for OLWHLF and SLC HTF but as of the date of this letter funds have not been awarded). This partnership has completed several successful projects together such as Providence Place (309 East 100 South) and Enclave (1400 South 300 West) in Salt Lake City.
- The project will include enhanced architecture in a contemporary design, including Rooftop Courtyards (four total) including a fire pit, BBQ, Dog Park, sitting areas and raised planters.
- The development of the 2.29 acres will remove a hazard and nuisance. Currently the property is vacant and is easy access for vandalism.
- The project will help support the existing commercial and further promote the development of this area of the city, bringing new residents to shop and work in the area.
- The project will be Energy Star 3.0 Compliant
- Wasatch is headquartered in downtown Salt Lake City and maintains a significant local real estate portfolio consisting of 5,000 apartment homes, 2,000,000 SF of commercial office and 50,000 SF of retail space. A few notable Projects located in downtown Salt Lake City include Providence Place Apartments, Encore Apartments, The Wells Fargo Tower, The Ken Garff Building and the Broadway Media Building.
- Wasatch Property Management has an excellent reputation as being one of the best property managers in the state of Utah. The site will have 7-10 full time staff members in addition to after hour security and a 24 hour maintenance hotline.
- Building Forms, Architectural Styles, Building Materials:
 - Materials corrugated metal siding highlighting corner of 600 South and State Street, brick at pedestrian level to enhance the pedestrian experience
 - o Stucco (3) colors
 - o (2) brick color/sizes
 - o Contemporary style clean lines, materials and colors
 - Break up skyline on 600 south by varying the masses (looks like three building instead of one monolithic mass)
 - Street view movement of podium to create public plaza space and give interest to pedestrians. Ground floor space with window and doors on the street-bike shop, fitness room, office space
 - Instead of one large courtyard the building is building is broken up with four courtyards to provide a more private experience on the courtyard and various massings and heights on 600 south
 - Enhanced corner at 600 south and State
- Prevention of Soil Erosion:
 - The redevelopment of the site will prevent soil erosion
- Redevelopment of the Site:
 - o Continuing and finishing the redevelopment process started by Salt Lake County.
 - Redeveloping a unique property with soil remediation, two building zones, and a oneway principle arterial road creating limited access to the site.
- Use of Design, Landscape and Architectural Features:
 - Street level plazas with lush landscaping, raised planters, benches, store front glass and direct access to the building.

- Elimination of Blight and Incompatible Uses:
 - Completion of the redevelopment process started by Salt Lake County.
- Inclusion of Affordable Housing:
 - The project will create much needed work force housing for those earning 40-60% of the AMI (\$28,880-\$43,320 for a family of 4).
- Green features:
 - Approximately 30,000 sq. ft. of podium roof top courtyards.

We are excited to start another great project in Salt Lake City and in particular provide workforce housing to a demographic much in need of housing options in the city.

Sincerely,

Further

Adam Lankford The Wasatch Group 299 South Main Street, Suite 2400 Salt Lake City, Utah 84111

ATTACHMENT E: PROPERTY & VICINITY PHOTOGRAPHS



View of the site along the 600 South frontage (looking east)



View of the site along the State Street frontage (looking south)



View of site from northeast corner of intersection



View of properties directly across the street from site to the east



View of adjacent property on the west side of the site



View of adjacent property on the south side of the site



View of northwest corner of 600 S & State St intersection



View of northeast corner of 600 S & State St intersection



View of southeast corner of 600 South & State St intersection

ATTACHMENT F: EXISTING CONDITIONS

Central Community, Downtown Master Plan, and Urban Design Element Discussion

The proposal is located within both the Central Community and Downtown Master Plan areas. The Future Land Use map in the Central Community Master Plan **designates the property as "Central Business District"** and the property has been zoned D-1, in compliance with this designation. The proposed multi-family and office uses are allowed uses in the zone.

The Downtown Master Plan (1995) addresses land uses in the downtown zones. The Downtown Plan includes the following policies related to the request:

- Strategy: Pedestrian and transit systems should provide connections between districts, i.e. between office and retail.
 - o Action: Establish midblock walkway system
 - Design streets to be friendly to the pedestrian, while allowing, yet de-emphasizing, the car
 - Action: Eliminate blank walls by requiring non-reflective glass over a percentage of the building frontage at the pedestrian level
 - Action: Integrate landscaping amenities into walkways rather than in setbacks
- Concept: Create and Atmosphere of Safety For the Pedestrian
 - o Discourage Auto/Pedestrian Conflicts
 - Action: Minimize curb cuts on all Central Business District streets
- Concept: Provide expanded pedestrian access
 - Strategy: Develop an appropriate system of mid-block pedestrian walkways

"Since the essence of Downtown is people, the top priority for Salt Lake City should be to maintain viable housing in and around the Downtown area. San Diego, Seattle and Portland have based the rebirth and stabilization of their successful downtowns with an emphasis on housing and access. With the people that housing and access brings, retail, office and entertainment markets will follow. One without the other is insufficient to create a vibrant twenty-four hour City."

"The City should also redirect much of its energy and funding in other programs to place top priority in the development of a broad range of housing types in the Downtown area. No one income level should dominate and nontraditional housing types, such as loft apartments and converted warehouse space should be encouraged."

The Urban Design Element (1990) specifies that this property is located in a "commercial fringe" area, just outside of the central "commercial core" downtown area. The document provides some general guidance for urban design in the City. The following policies are related to this proposal:

• Establish a maximum building width. A likely scenario might call for no building to exceed 250 feet wide above the 65 foot level in the Commercial Cord and Fringe. Variances could be granted when it is when that development meets urban design objectives.

• Allow no more than six to twelve stories of building height in the Fringe area.

View Corridors:

• Use buildings along street vistas to properly frame view corridors. This is particularly important along the prominent view corridors.

Height, Scale, and Character of Buildings:

- Treat building height, scale, and character as significant features of a district's image.
- Ensure that features of building design such as color, detail, materials, and scale are responsive to district character, neighboring buildings, and the pedestrian.

Parking:

• Require parking structure facades to be treated as elements of the street. Require pedestrianoriented amenities and services to be located at the street level of the parking structure. Stores, merchandise display windows, landscaping and compatible building materials incorporated into parking garage design improve what is usually a drab building form. These Master Plan and Urban Design Element policies are discussed in <u>Attachment G</u>, under standard B and under <u>Attachment H</u>, under standard L.

Applicable General Zoning Standards:

D-1 Standards

Requirement	Standard	Proposed Development Status	Impact on Development
Front/Corner Side Yard	5' Max Setback	Building setback exceeds the 5' maximum in some locations	Conditional Building and Site Design Approval Required
Side/ Rear Yard	No Minimum	Complies	None
Lot Area	10,000 sq ft	Complies	None
Lot Width	100'	Complies	None
Minimum Height within 165' of Block Corner	100'	Building is approximately 74' in height	Conditional Building and Site Design Approval is Required
First Floor Windows	40% and non-reflective glass	Complies, 49% on the north façade, 68% on the east façade	None
Parking Lot and Structure Setback	75' or Located Behind Commercial Uses	The proposal locates parking within the interior of the building structure and is surrounded by other active uses	Planned Development approval required

D-2 Standards

Requirement	Standard	Proposed Development Status	Impact on Development
Minimum Yard	None	Complies	None
Building Height	Maximum of 65'	Building is approximately 74' in height	Conditional Building and Site Design Approval Required
Lot Area	No minimum	Complies	None
Lot Width	Nominimum	Complies	None
Parking Lot and Structure Setback	None	Complies	None

ATTACHMENT G: ANALYSIS OF STANDARDS – PLANNED DEVELOPMENT

21a.55.050: Standards for Planned Developments: The planning commission may approve, approve with conditions, or deny a planned development based upon written findings of fact according to each of the following standards. It is the responsibility of the applicant to provide written and graphic evidence demonstrating compliance with the following standards:

Standard	Finding	Rationale
A. Planned Development Objectives:	Complies	The applicant intends to achieve objectives D, E, G, and H.
The planned development shall meet	-	
the purpose statement for a planned		In order to achieve objective D, the developer is proposing to
development (section 21A.55.010 of this		incorporate large courtyards in the development that provide
chapter) and will achieve at least one		access to open space and create a pleasing environment for
of the objectives stated in said section:		residents. These courtyards are substantially larger than seen in a
A. Combination and coordination		number of other large residential developments in or near the
of architectural styles, building		downtown and will provide outdoor recreational opportunities
forms, building materials, and		for residents who do not have park access nearby. As discussed in
building relationships;		the issues section of this report, the developer is also providing
B. Preservation and enhancement		landscaping features on the ground level that help create a
of desirable site characteristics		pleasing environment for pedestrians, in particular the ground
such as natural topography,		floor courtyards on 600 South.
vegetation and geologic features, and the prevention of soil erosion;		Eurther the developer intends to achieve objective C by providing
C. Preservation of buildings which		Further the developer intends to achieve objective G by providing affordable housing. The housing is limited to applicants that are
are architecturally or historically		making 40-60% of the area median income (AMI.) As stated by
significant or contribute to the		the applicant in their narrative in Attachment D, this income
character of the city;		restriction ranges from \$28,880 to \$43,320 for a family of four.
D. Use of design, landscape, or		As the development is completely affordable, residents will not
architectural features to create a		be forced to move if they over time make more than this range.
pleasing environment;		This provides a diversity of income types over time as some
E. Inclusion of special		residents may remain living here despite increases in income.
development amenities that are in		However, when such a resident leaves, it opens up the door for a
the interest of the general public;		new resident who must make between 40 to 60 percent AMI.
F. Elimination of blighted		
structures or incompatible uses		The developer is also partially meeting objective E by providing
through redevelopment or		the improvements and an easement necessary for the beginning
rehabilitation;		of a mid-block walkway. Establishing mid-block walkways has
G. Inclusion of affordable housing		been identified as an objective in the 1995 and current draft
with market rate housing; or		Downtown Master Plans. Though the proposed walkway does not
H. Utilization of "green" building techniques in development.		currently lead to the other side of the block, the establishment of the easement sets the stage for future walkway improvements
teeninques in development.		across this block in the future. These walkways are in the interest
		of the general public as they provide for greater pedestrian
		accessibility downtown and help break up the large blocks in the
		City.
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		Additionally, the applicant is meeting objective H by utilizing
		"green" building techniques. Specifically, the applicant is Energy
		Star certifying their building to Energy Star 3.0 standards by
		building to certain energy efficiency standards established by the
		federal Energy Star program.
		The applicant is also meeting the general purpose statement of
		the Planned Development by taking an alternative approach to
		the provision of active uses on the ground floor that still meets
		the intent of the zoning ordinance. As discussed in Issue 2, the
		mix of office and active residentially associated uses on the
		ground floor achieves the intent of the ordinance to maintain

 B. Master Plan And Zoning Ordinance Compliance: The proposed planned development shall be: Consistent with any adopted policy set forth in the citywide, community, and/or small area master plan and future land use map applicable to the site where the planned development will be located, and Allowed by the zone where the planned development will be located or by another applicable provision of this title. 	Complies	active uses on the ground floor. Strict application of the zoning ordinance rules would prevent the development from incorporating residential features on the ground floor due to the existence of above ground parking located within the building. Further, as discussed in Issue 2, the modification to the maximum length of the building meets the intent of the standard by breaking up the length of the building with the proposed courtyard feature enhancements and the addition of a midblock walkway.
C. Compatibility: The proposed planned development shall be compatible with the character of the site, adjacent properties, and existing development within the vicinity of the site where the use will be located. In determining compatibility, the planning commission shall consider: 1. Whether the street or other means of access to the site provide the necessary ingress/egress without materially degrading the service level on such street/access or any adjacent street/access; 2. Whether the planned development and its location will create unusual pedestrian or vehicle traffic patterns or volumes that would not be expected, based on: a. Orientation of driveways and whether they direct traffic to major or local streets, and, if directed to local streets, the impact on the safety, purpose,	Complies	 The property is provided access from both 600 South and State Street. These are major state arterial roads with sufficient capacities so that they would not be negatively impacted by the proposed development. The development has two driveways that direct traffic to major arterials and do not impact local streets. Parking is provided on site at approximately a 1 to 1 ratio per dwelling unit. Additional parking may occur on 600 South and State Street and is subject to hourly restrictions. The adjacent commercial properties utilize both on and off-street parking and would not be negatively impacted by additional on-street parking. High volumes of on-street parking are an expected feature of the street in the downtown area. The development will have weekday peak traffic that corresponds with normal commuting hours. The adjacent commercial properties are not expected to be negatively affected by the additional traffic that occurs during these hours.

and character of these streets; b. Parking area locations and size, and whether parking plans are likely to encourage street side parking for the planned development which will adversely impact the reasonable use of adjacent property; c. Hours of peak traffic to the proposed planned development and whether such traffic will unreasonably impair the use and enjoyment of adjacent property.	
 3. Whether the internal circulation system of the proposed planned development will be designed to mitigate adverse impacts on adjacent property from motorized, nonmotorized, and pedestrian traffic; 4. Whether existing or proposed utility and public services will be adequate to support the proposed planned development at normal service levels and will be designed in a manner to avoid adverse impacts on adjacent land uses, public services, and utility resources; 	 The development is proposed to have two access points for vehicles, one on 600 South and one on State Street. Use of these access points is coordinated with UDOT and is subject to their distancing requirements to prevent adverse impacts to other drive approaches. No issues are anticipated due to these requirements. Also due to the low number of vehicle drive approaches, pedestrians are not expected to be negatively impacted related to their use of sidewalks beyond what is normal and expected with any kind of development. The development will be required to upgrade utility infrastructure where determined to be necessary by the City Utilities Department and other responsible entities in order to adequately provide service. Public Utilities did not indicate any
5. Whether appropriate buffering or other mitigation measures, such as, but not limited to, landscaping, setbacks, building location, sound attenuation, odor control, will be provided to protect adjacent land uses from excessive light, noise, odor and visual impacts and other unusual disturbances from trash collection, deliveries, and mechanical equipment resulting from the proposed planned development; and	5. The development is located in the downtown area, where a higher level of intensity in development is expected. The development is located next to two commercial uses, including a retail and event venue, and a bar. Neither of these is expected to be negatively affected by the lower intensity residential uses on the site and so no additional buffering is required.
 6. Whether the intensity, size, and scale of the proposed planned development is compatible with adjacent properties. If a proposed conditional use will result in new construction or substantial remodeling of a commercial or mixed used development, the design of the premises where the use will be located shall conform to the 	6. Although the development is larger with regard to size and scale than the surrounding properties, the property is zoned for such scale and the master plan supports higher scale development than current exists on this block. However, as stated in standard 5, the intensity and residential density of this development is not expected to cause any adverse negative impacts to surrounding properties. The proposal is therefore generally compatible with the adjacent residential properties. The proposal is being reviewed for conformance with the Conditional Building and Site Design Review.

conditional building and site design review standards set forth in chapter 21A.59 of this title.D. Landscaping: Existing mature vegetation on a given parcel for development shall be maintained. Additional or new landscaping shall be appropriate for the scale of the development, and shall primarily consist of drought tolerant species;	Complies, with Conditions	Existing vegetation along the edge of the property boundary is generally not fully mature and was installed due to the demolition of buildings on the site. This landscaping will be removed and new landscaping will be installed as noted in the landscape plan in <u>Attachment B</u> . The landscape plan does not yet designate the particular species of plants and compliance with this standard regarding drought tolerant species is a condition of approval. In addition to this standard, the final landscape plan prepared for building permit approval will need to identify the "hydrozones" for plant watering purposes, as well as comply with all other applicable provisions of 21A.48.055 "Water Efficient Landscaping."
E. Preservation: The proposed planned development shall preserve any historical, architectural, and environmental features of the property;	Complies	The proposal is currently a vacant lot and does not currently possess any significant historical, architectural, or environmental features.
F. Compliance With Other Applicable Regulations: The proposed planned development shall comply with any other applicable code or ordinance requirement.	Complies	The Planned Development is also being reviewed for compliance with the Conditional Building and Site Design Review standards which allow for additional modifications to certain zoning standards. Other than the specific modifications requested by the applicant, the project appears to comply with all other applicable codes. Further compliance will be ensured during review of construction permits.

ATTACHMENT H: ANALYSIS OF STANDARDS – CONDITIONAL BUILDING AND SITE DESIGN REVIEW

21a.59.060: Standards for Design Review: In addition to standards provided in other sections of this title for specific types of approval, the following standards shall be applied to all applications for design review:

Standard	Finding	Rationale
A. Development shall be primarily oriented to the street, not an interior courtyard or parking lot.	Complies	The building is primarily oriented to 600 S and State Street. Though there are interior courtyards, these are located above the ground floor and the building includes sufficient architectural detailing on the street facing sides to denote the orientation to the street.
B. Primary access shall be oriented to the pedestrian and mass transit.	Complies	The building has a number of primary access points along the street facing facades serving as primary pedestrian access. These include the corner pedestrian entry into the main office and a number of other building entrances on both the 600 South and State Street sides that are oriented to the pedestrian. A bus stop is located on the State Street side near the front door of the development. The number of vehicle access points is limited, as there are just two standard parking garage entrances for access to both levels of parking. One of these access points is provided on the east side of the building and is accessed from State Street, and the other is provided on the north side and is accessed from 600 South.
C. Building facades shall include detailing and glass in sufficient quantities to facilitate pedestrian interest and interaction.	Complies	The ground level is primarily clear glass and masonry. The majority of the ground floor windows have visibility into residential common spaces, including exercise rooms offices which will be occupied by building staff and residents. These windows with activate uses facilitate pedestrian interest and interaction. Additionally, on the State Street side a portion of the ground floor is occupied by commercial offices uses with windows that also provide visibility to street level activity. The developer is also breaking up the building façade with detailing that provides pedestrian interest, including small landscaped ground level courtyards. Spaces above the first floor include a significant amount of windows which look out onto 600 South and State Street. Additionally, there are large common spaces with glass balconies that provide visibility to the sidewalk.
D. Architectural detailing shall be included on the ground floor to emphasize the pedestrian level of the building.	Complies, with conditions	Architectural detailing includes brick and clear glass windows on the first floor in sufficient quantity to emphasize the pedestrian orientation of the building. As discussed above and under Issue 2, additional architectural features along the ground floor provide for pedestrian interest and interaction, creating a comfortable environment for pedestrians along the building. These include the small ground level

		courtyards that serve as additional entrances to the building, which include landscaping and other features that draw pedestrian interest. Further, entry way features, including awnings, are provided to help break up the long building and designate that this is primarily a pedestrian oriented development. Although not shown on the elevation plans, additional awnings shall be installed at the stair well entrances as shown on the renderings in order to further emphasize the pedestrian orientation of the building. This is a condition of approval.
E. Parking lots shall be appropriately screened and landscaped to minimize their impact on adjacent neighborhoods. Parking lot lighting shall be shielded to eliminate excessive glare or light into adjacent neighborhoods.	Complies	Parking is provided within the interior of the building and is screened from view by the provision of active uses along the ground floor next to the sidewalk. There will be no lighting impacts to adjacent neighborhoods.
F. Parking and on site circulation shall be provided with an emphasis on making safe pedestrian connections to the street or other pedestrian facilities.	Complies	Parking is provided underground and within the first floor of the building. Access points to parking are limited to two points. One access drive is located on the north side facing 600 South and the other access drive is located on the south-east corner on State Street. Residents will not have to cross parking areas to reach the sidewalk, and there are multiple stairwells in the building that provide direct access to the sidewalk from dwelling units.
G. Dumpsters and loading docks shall be appropriately screened or located within the structure.	Complies	Dumpsters are located within the structure and not visible from the outside. Loading docks or berths will be required through the zoning permit review process and will need to comply with the districts regulations that require stricter screening than this standard.
H. Signage shall emphasize the pedestrian/mass transit orientation.	Complies, with Conditions	Proposed conceptual pedestrian signage is located in <u>attachment C</u> . However, the plans current plans do not show where the pedestrian oriented signage will be installed. As such final plans will need to show this signage to comply with this standard, and is a condition of approval.
I. Lighting shall meet the lighting levels and design requirements set forth in <u>chapter 4</u> of the Salt Lake City lighting master plan dated May 2006.	Complies with Conditions	New development is required to upgrade associated right of way elements, including street lighting. The development will need to install new street lighting in conformance with the Salt Lake City lighting master plan. The specific lighting requirement is noted in the department comments in <u>Attachment J.</u> Installation of the required street lighting is a condition of approval.
J. Streetscape improvements shall be provided as follows: 1. One street tree chosen from the street tree list consistent with the city's urban forestry guidelines and with the approval of the city's urban forester shall be placed for each thirty feet (30') of property frontage on a street. Existing street trees removed as the result of a development project shall be replaced by the developer with trees	Complies with Conditions	Streetscape improvements have been shown on the attached plans. The current plans show trees generally grouped rather than evenly spaced within the park strip on 600 South. These tree groups may remain but additional trees will need to be installed so that trees more regularly line the street approximately every 30 feet. Compliance with this is a condition of approval. Existing mature street trees removed for this development shall be replaced in consultation with the City's Urban Fo rester. Where trees are not possible to be placed due to power lines or other existing site conditions, alternatives may be approved by Planning staff.

approved by the city's urban forester.		
2. Landscaping material shall be selected that will assure eighty percent (80%) ground coverage occurs within three (3) years.		On the State Street side, trees will need to be provided approximately every thirty feet within tree grates. In the D-1 zone ground vegetation coverage is not required in park strips, and this area of State Street is characterized by a lack of landscaped park strips, like much of the downtown area. As such, it is appropriate
3. Hardscape (paving material) shall be utilized to designate public spaces. Permitted materials include unit masonry, scored and colored concrete, grasscrete, or combinations of the above.		to maintain the lack of landscaping in the park strip along State Street except for the addition of street trees. Compliance with these streetscape improvements and any others required by 21A.48 are a condition of approval.
4. Outdoor storage areas shall be screened from view from adjacent public rights of way. Loading facilities shall be screened and		Hard surfaces in the right of way will be required to be upgraded where deficient where identified by the Engineering department during building permit review. No outdoor storage areas are proposed for this
buffered when adjacent to residentially zoned land and any public street. 5. Landscaping design shall include a		development. Loading facilities, including any required loading berth or docks are required by ordinance to be located away from public streets and compliance will be ensured during the building permit review process.
variety of deciduous and/or evergreen trees, and shrubs and flowering plant species well adapted to the local climate.		Final landscape details will be provided during the building permit process and are subject to "21A.48.055 "Water Efficient Landscaping" which generally requires plant to be selected from a list of approved plants that comply with these standards.
		rge scale developments with a gross floor area
exceeding sixty thousand (60,000) square		
1. The orientation and scale of the	Partially	1.a The building mass has been broken up on the ground
development shall conform to the	Complies;	floor by the provision of landscaping features, courtyards,
following requirements: a. Large building masses shall be	being modified	and windows. The building is approximately 400 feet long and due to this length the building is broken up with the
divided into heights and sizes that	through PD	provision of pedestrian oriented courtyards that break up
relate to human scale by	process	the length of the building and provide pedestrian interest.
incorporating changes in building	process	These courtyards include trees and other landscaping
mass or direction, sheltering roofs,		features that further break up the length and mass of the
a distinct pattern of divisions on		building. Additionally, the ground floor is broken up with
surfaces, windows, trees, and small		regularly placed storefront windows that provide a distinct
scale lighting.		pattern of divisions along the street frontage. Vertically,
b. No new buildings or contiguous groups of buildings shall exceed a combined contiguous building		the building changes materials and pattern above the ground floor, which emphasizes the human scale of the ground floor of the building.
length of three hundred feet (300').		The additional massing of the building on the upper floors has been divided with the provision of large courtyards between building masses.
		As discussed in Issue 3, the building exceeds 300 feet in length and takes steps to counteract this length, with the provision of courtyards, landscaping, architectural features, and the provision of a mid-block walkway. This standard is being modified through the Planned Development process.

2. Public spaces shall be provided as	Complies/	2.a. Design review criteria apply to multiple zoning
follows:	Not	districts city wide. This particular criterion is largely
a. One square foot of plaza, park, or	applicable	meant for big-box retail in a shopping center format.
public space shall be required for		Strict application of this standard would result in nearly an
every ten (10) square feet of gross		acre of plaza space being required, which would be close to
building floor area.		half of the development site. The D-1 zoning district allows
b. Plazas or public spaces shall incorporate at least three (3) of the		for and encourages buildings to occupy the entirety of development sites, property line to property line. The D-1
five (5) following elements:		zoning takes precedence. Although plazas in high traffic
(1) Sitting space of at least one		pedestrian areas can be an amenity to some areas of
sitting space for each two		downtown, they can often become unused and empty
hundred fifty (250) square feet		spaces that do not contribute to or enhance the public
shall be included in the plaza.		realm. In this case, the provision of private courtyard
Seating shall be a minimum of		spaces, rather than large unrestricted public space,
sixteen inches (16") in height and		provides usable open space for tenants of the building that
thirty inches (30") in width.		enhance the development.
Ledge benches shall have a		
minimum depth of thirty inches (30");		
(2) A mixture of areas that		
provide shade;		
(3) Trees in proportion to the		
space at a minimum of one tree		
per eight hundred (800) square		
feet, at least two inch (2") caliper		
when planted;		
(4) Water features or public art;		
and/or		
(5) Outdoor eating areas.		
L. Any new development shall comply with	Complies	The development is modifying both the height and
the intent of the purpose statement of the	· · · ·	maximum setback of the building through the Conditional
zoning district and specific design		Building and Site Design review process. The height
regulations found within the zoning		modification is detailed in Issue 1 on page 3. The
district in which the project is located as		maximum building setback of five (5) feet is meant to
well as adopted master plan policies, the		encourage development to address the pedestrian realm
city's adopted "urban design element" and design guidelines governing the specific		and create ground floor activity along the sidewalk, rather than being automobile oriented or "suburban." Part of the
area of the proposed development. Where		intent of this standard is also to reduce the amount of
there is a conflict between the standards		plazas that are provided within the downtown area, as
found in this section and other adopted		they often become unused, hot, and empty spaces that do
plans and regulations, the more		not contribute to pedestrian vitality downtown. However,
restrictive regulations shall control.		the allowance for limited additional setback will allow for
		the provision of pedestrian oriented landscape features
		and entrances that will enhance the public realm.
		The Downtown Mactor Dian (1005) does not offer exactly
		The Downtown Master Plan (1995) does not offer specific design guidelines. The Draft Downtown Community Plan
		is not yet adopted. The adopted Urban Design Element
		document discusses the importance of a variety of design
		elements that are related to this proposal. One aspect is
		the importance of maintaining street walls along areas in
		the commercial core and commercial fringe, which is
		where the proposal is located. As such the development is
		providing street level activation along both 600 South and
		State Street through landscaping, a pattern of regular
		building fenestration, façade transparency, and the use of
		durable building materials. Additionally, the Urban Design element discusses breaking up long building
		masses on upper levels, which this proposal is doing
		through the provision of common courtyards on the 2 nd
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	level. The Urban Design Element also discusses building height, scale, and character as significant features of a district's image. It further states that the City should "Ensure that features of building design such as color, detail, materials, and scale are responsive to district character, neighboring buildings, and the pedestrian." As such, the development is responsive to the character of the neighborhood in the sense that the neighborhood is eclectic. The site is surrounded by a variety of different building styles, scales, and materials. In this way, the development has no cohesive character to respond to other than that the features of the new building respond to the character of the neighborhood and downtown as generally being oriented to the pedestrian. The height of the building itself is a middle ground between the low scale buildings to the south, west, and east and the higher scales buildings to the north. Further, the building is located in an area noted as the fringe where heights should begin to be lower than the downtown "commercial core." As such, the design of the building generally meets these policies.
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21a.59.065: Standards for Design Review for Height: In addition to standards provided in 21A.59.060 (above), the following standards shall be applied to all applications to all applications for conditional building and site design review regarding height:

Standard	Finding	Rationale
A. The roofline contains architectural features that give it a distinctive form or skyline, or the rooftop is designed for purposes such as rooftop gardens, common space for building occupants or the public, viewing platforms, shading or daylighting structures, renewable energy systems, heliports, and other similar uses, and provided that such uses are not otherwise prohibited.	Complies/ Not applicable	This standard is intended for applications regarding additional building height as taller buildings contribute to the City's downtown skyline. The proposed building is not of a sufficient height to have an appreciable impact on the City's skyline. However, as discussed under Issue 1, the proposal is incorporating features on the corner of the building that emphasize the corner of the building, despite not reaching 100 feet of height.
B. There is architectural detailing at the cornice level, when appropriate to the architectural style of the building.	Complies	The architectural style of the building is generally contemporary and while some cornice level detailing is provided, it is minimal and appropriate to the building style. Cornice level detailing is provided with the fabricated metal canopy structures that are shown on the elevation plans.
C. Lighting highlights the architectural detailing of the entire building but shall not exceed the maximum lighting standards as further described elsewhere in this title.	Complies	The proposed lighting plan highlights and accentuates the architectural detailing of the building as shown in <u>Attachment C</u> . Lighting shall comply with the Zoning Ordinance standards.

ATTACHMENT I: PUBLIC PROCESS AND COMMENTS

Public Notice, Meetings, Comments

The following is a list of public meetings that have been held, and other public input opportunities, related to the proposed project:

• Open House on September 17th, 2015

Notice of Application:

The proposal is located within 600 feet of the boundaries of three different community councils. When a property is located within 600 feet of these boundaries, City ordinance requires a public open house for the proposal. As such, planning staff held a public open house for the proposal on September 17th. The Planning division sent mailed notices out to properties within 450 feet and also sent an e-mailed open house notice to all affected community councils.

Notice of the public hearing for the proposal included:

Public hearing notice mailed on September 10, 2015 Public hearing notice posted on September 10, 2015 Public notice posted on City and State websites and Planning Division list serve on September 10, 2015

Public Input:

Seven Salt Lake City residents and property owners attended the public open house on September 17th. Six different property owners within approximately a block of the proposal expressed positive interest in the proposal. All attendees had generally favorable comments regarding the development and were generally satisfied to see new development and the potential for more people and activity in this area of the downtown. No specific concerns regarding compliance with the CBSD or PD standards were received.

One additional attendee expressed generally favorable comments about the proposal, but expressed some concerns about homeless persons potentially being a nuisance in the ground level entry courtyards.

Staff received two phone call inquiries from nearby property owners regarding the proposal. Plans were sent to both people inquiring about the project, but no comments were received.

Staff received no comments opposing the development.

ATTACHMENT J: DEPARTMENT REVIEW COMMENTS

Engineering – Scott Weiler (scott.weiler@slcgov.com or 801-535-6159)

State Street and 600 South are State roads. Access to either of them requires permission from UDOT. Work proposed behind the curb of either of these roads requires a Permit to Work in the Public Way from SLC Engineering, meeting APWA Standards. Gregory Place is a private street.

Zoning – Alan Michelsen (alen.michelsen@slcgov.com or 801-535-7142)

This property is a D-1/D-2 corner property which requires placement of a building no less than 100 feet in height and no more than 5 feet from the front and corner side property lines in the D-1 area, however; a portion of the building will also be in the D-2 zoning area of the lot which has a maximum building height of 65 feet. Each of these height issues can be addressed through the conditional building and site design review process. A certified address is to be obtained from the Engineering Dept. for use in the plan review and permit issuance process. Section 21A.30.020 will regulate restrictions on parking lots and structures, minimum first floor glass, location of service areas, mid block walk ways, special controls over block corners and mid block areas. Section 21A.36.250 will regulate recycling and construction waste management. 21A.44 will regulate off street parking and off street loading. 21A.48 will regulate landscaping.

Staff Note: The proposal does not currently include a loading dock or berth which is required for a multi-family development of the proposed size as per 21A.44.080. This will need to be included on the plans during the building permit process review and may result in modification to the plans. Modifications that result in a significant impact to the design will be taken back to the Planning Commission for review.

Transportation – Michael Barry (<u>michael.barry@slcgov.com</u> or 801-535-7147) No objections from Transportation.

Fire – Ted Itchon (<u>ted.itchon@slcgov.com</u> or 801-535-6636) No specific written comments received.

Staff Note: Fire has indicated that the property will need to maintain aerial fire apparatus access that complies with Fire Code Section D105.4 Obstructions: "Overhead utility and power lines shall not be located over the aerial fire apparatus access road or between the aerial fire apparatus road and the building. Other obstructions shall be permitted to be placed with the approval of the fire code official."

The general requirement is to have two streets along the building that have access for aerial fire apparatus. As 600 South has power lines along the park strip, it cannot provide this access. State Street and the private street Gregory Place may be able to satisfy this access requirement. However, the applicant may alter the design of the building or lot coverage of the building to ensure compliance with fire code during the building permit process. Modifications that result in a significant impact to the design will be taken back to the Planning Commission for review.

Public Utilities – Jason Draper (jason.draper@slcgov.com or 801-483-6751)

We don't have any objection to the height variance. Plans will need to be submitted to public Utilities for review. A Water and sewer analysis will be required to determine the impact and capacity of existing infrastructure. The existing water mains in State and 600 South will need to be replaced and upsized at the developers' expense. All impact, connection, permit, survey and inspection fees will apply. Street lights will need to be coordinated with Dave Pearson – SLCPU.

Public Utilities – Street Lighting– Dave Pearson (<u>dave.pearson@slcgov.com</u> or 801-483-6738) The 600 South side of the property would need to install the 3-headed cactus lights that are typical of downtown. Typical spacing is 90'. (Wattage of required lighting is to be determined during building permit process.)

Potential Motions

Staff Recommendation: Based on the information in the staff report, public testimony, and discussion by the Planning Commission, I move that the Planning Commission approve the Planned Development and Conditional and Building Site Design Review request. In order to comply with the applicable standards, the following conditions of approval apply:

- 1. The applicant shall comply with all other Department/Division conditions attached to this staff report.
- 2. The applicant shall provide landscaping plans that comply with 21A.48.055 "Water Efficient Landscaping" and all other applicable regulations of 21A.48 for building permit approval.
- 3. Entrance awnings shall be provided at stair well entrances as shown on the attached renderings.
- 4. Park strip landscaping shall include street trees located approximately every thirty (30) feet as noted in <u>Attachment H</u>.
- 5. Final approval of lighting and landscaping for the midblock walkway shall be delegated to Planning staff to ensure its adequacy for pedestrian comfort and safety.
- 6. Final approval of signage, lighting, and landscaping to be delegated to Planning staff to ensure compliance with the CBSD and PD regulations.
- 7. The applicant shall record a perpetual access easement from the west side of the building to the west property line. The easement shall extend from the north property line southward for approximately 165 feet. The easement shall specify that the area will allow public pedestrian access at such a time when the remainder of the midblock walkway is developed through the block. Until that time, the walkway may be fenced and gated. Alternatives to this walkway easement may be approved by the Planning Director if they provide the same or greater access through the block.
- 8. Final approval authority for the development shall be delegated to Planning staff based on the **applicant's compliance with the standards and conditions** of approval as noted within this staff report.

Not Consistent with Staff Recommendation:

(Planned Development and Conditional Building and Site Design Review)

Based on the testimony, plans presented and the following findings, I move that the Planning Commission deny the Planned Development and Conditional Building and Site Design Review request due to the following standard(s) that are not being complied with:

(The Planning Commission shall make findings on the Planned Development and Conditional Building and Site Design Review and specifically state which standard or standards are not being complied with. Please see <u>attachments G</u> and <u>H</u> for applicable standards.)