

Staff Report

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DESIGN REVIEW

PROPERTY ADDRESS: 352 South 500 East **PARCEL ID**: 16-06-403-027 **MASTER PLAN:** Central City **ZONING DISTRICT:** R-MU (Residential Mixed-Use)

REQUEST: The applicant, AJC, property owner representative, has submitted a Design Review Application to exceed the height limitations of 75' within the R-MU (Residential Mixed-Use) zoning district. The additional height ranges from 5'8" to 13'10", all of which are located towards the northern portion of the site. The proposed development is for a new multi-family building with approximately 149 multi-family units. Buildings more than 75-feet tall are allowed up to 125 feet through the Design Review process with Planning Commission approval.

RECOMMENDATION: Based on the analysis and findings listed in the staff report, it is the Planning Staff's opinion that overall, the project generally meets the applicable standards and therefore, Planning Staff recommends that the Planning Commission approve the Design Review request subject to the following conditions:

1. Signage, lighting, and street scape improvements elements shall be reviewed and approved as part of the building permit review. This review shall be delegated to staff.

ATTACHMENTS

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PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The proposed project is for a 149-unit apartment building including a range of studio (67 units), one-bedroom (53 units) and two-bedroom (29 units) floor plans. The site is 0.78 acres. (33,976 square feet) in the R-MU (Residential/Mixed Use District). The primary building materials being used on the street-facing facade are architectural concrete, metal paneling, fiber cement wall panels, and wood-look metal siding. Because it features glass and a public art piece, the ground floor will be an active space from the street. The first floor will include a lobby, a fitness center, and access to the automated parking garage in the basement level. There are 148 parking slots in the garage, including 5 ADA stalls. Individual storage facilities and bicycle storage will be available in the basement. On level 2, there is also an open courtyard. At level 7, the rooftop pool, amenities deck, and club room will be connected. Design review is required for this petition because the northern portion of the structure will exceed the height restriction. For this petition, design review is required to exceed the height limitation.

ADJACENT LAND USES AND ZONING:Liberty Bank is located to the north of the site. The Elevate on 5th Apartments are located to the east of the property across the street. A landmark site is located to the south of the site. Encore Apartments are located to the west of the property. Surrounding zoning includes Residential Mixed-Use (RMU) and the TSA, Transit Station Area District.

KEY ISSUES ISSUE 1: Building Height

This application is before the planning commission because the additional height necessitates the applicant meeting all the Design Review Process standards. The applicant has shown the locations where additional height is being requested on the accompanying elevation sheets, the majority of which is on the northeast portion of the building. The application contends that the additional height is required to accommodate the amenity space associated with it.

Per the RMU, buildings taller than seventy-five feet (75'), up to a maximum of one hundred twenty-five feet (125'), may be authorized through the design review process (chapter 21A.59 of this title) and provided that the proposed height is located within the one hundred twenty-five foot (125') height zone indicated on the map located in subsection F3 of this section.

- 1. Maximum height for nonresidential buildings: Forty-five feet (45').
- 2. Maximum floor area coverage of nonresidential uses in mixed use buildings of residential and nonresidential uses: Three (3) floors.
- 3. One hundred twenty-five-foot (125') height zone map for the R-MU District:



FIGURE 21A.24.170.F.3

21A.24.170.F.3: 125' Height Zone Map for R-MU District

To show areas that exceed the 75-foot height restriction, the applicant submitted specific elevation sheets with purple shading. The club room and amenity space are positioned on the 86-foot-tall structure's north east most corner. The pergola and the elevator shaft to the rooftop deck were located at the highest points. On the elevation sheets, the applicant also indicated where the 125-foot zone landed on the building's façade. (This area is indicated by the purple shading on the elevation sheets and narrative attached.)

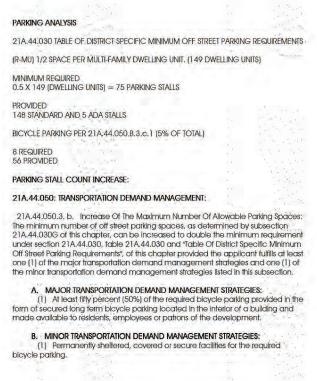
Issue 2: Parking

The parking garage is internally connected to the building lobby and elevators that provide a pedestrian connection to the front sidewalk. The parking stalls in the side yard are also connected to the public sidewalk via the parking garage access to the lobby. The spots are also illuminated for safety. The basement bicycle storage will be accessible from the public right-of-way through the building lobby and elevator. The developer suggests in addition to bicycle storage at Level 1, they propose to add secured storage at the basement level with 6 additional parking stalls (4 stalls are required -50%). The minimum parking requirement for R-MU is one-half space per multi-family dwelling unit, which would require 74 stalls. There are 148 standard stalls and 5 ADA stalls. The applicant is meeting this requirement and the parking layout is acceptable. The tandem parking spaces will be assigned to office employees. To increase the maximum number of allowable parking spaces, the applicant is required to fulfill at least one (1) of the major transportation demand management strategies and one (1) of the minor transportation demand management strategies.

A. PRIMARY TRANSPORTATION DEMAND MANAGEMENT STRATEGIES: (1) At least fifty percent (50%) of the required bicycle parking is provided in the form of secured long-term bicycle parking located inside a building and made available to residents, employees, or patrons of the development.

B. MINOR TRANSPORTATION DEMAND MANAGEMENT STRATEGIES: (1) Permanently sheltered, covered, or secure bicycle parking facilities

Parking Analysis



ISSUE 3: Open Space

The property owner was consulted about the open space's location. To meet the open space requirements, the applicant shifted parking from the back to the side of the building as tandem parking spots. Office personnel will be assigned and use parking spaces. The applicant met the 20 percent open space requirement by eliminating rear parking and is now in compliance at 20.3%.

ISSUE 4: Amenity Location

The building offers a variety of amenities. The first floor features a glass-enclosed lobby, and and a fitness center. The rooftop features a pool, gazebo, and shared community space. On Floor 2, is an open courtyard. At the back of the building, there is a lighted outdoor patio with benches and a pet area. Bicycle parking is available all year in the parking structure. A key issue in the request for additional height is the location of the rooftop pool and club room.

ISSUE 5: Access Easement to the South/Historic Property

The historic landmark to the south is the Eliza Gray Rumel House.

A public comment was received about the shared drive on the south, with worries about encroachment into the easement. An ALTA survey with a legal description was submitted by the developer. The project does not use the shared drive in any way. Through the duration of the project there should be zero encroachment into the public easement. Please see the ALTA survey attached.



NEXT STEPS

Design Review Approval

If the Design Review application is approved, the applicant will 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 comply with sign regulations in 21A.59.050.J. Final certificates of occupancy for the buildings will only be issued once all conditions of approval are met.

Design Review Tabled/Continued

If the Design Review application is tabled by the Planning Commission, the applicant will have the opportunity to make changes to the design and/or further articulate details to return to the Planning Commission for further review and a decision on the application.

Design Review Denial

If the Design Review application is denied, the applicant will be able to submit a new proposal that meets all the standards required by the Zoning Ordinance or they can construct a building up to 60-feet in height as allowed by the zone, provided that all Zoning Ordinance standards are met.

Attachment A

Vicinity & Zoning Maps





Aerial of Subject Property

Attachment B

Master Plan & Zoning Standards

CENTRAL COMMUNITY MASTER PLAN

The project site is located within the boundaries of the Central Community Master Plan and the East Downtown Plan. The Central Community Master Plan has more specific elements that directly pertain to the neighborhood where the development is proposed. The future land use map specifies that the lot proposed for the development is in an area intended for "High Density Transit Oriented Development (50 or more dwelling units/acre)". Transit oriented development is defined in the plan as: ...a land use and urban design approach that emphasizes a mix of land uses with pedestrian access located near light rail stations. The East Downtown Plan emphasizes urban high density mixed use residential neighborhood is necessary. This building is on the cusp of the 200-foot heigh limitation set forth in the East Downtown Plan. The plan also puts a high priority on private and public open space and recreational opportunities.

Mixed land uses include residential, retail, office, cultural, institutional, and open space. Transit oriented development districts create a walkable environment that encourages residents and employees to use modes of transit other than the automobile. In the long term, this type of development can help reduce the negative impacts of future regional growth on the environment because of its location. TOD can assist in revitalizing neighborhoods in the Central Community, especially when retail, residential, and office uses are combined to support existing neighborhood characteristics. The plan also encourages the ability to entice more families downtown by offering 3-to-4-bedroom units.

The proposed development meets the high density (50+ units per acre). The proposal is for a 149-unit residential building on.78 acres of land, with a density of 193 units per acre. While this project does not have a mixed-use component, it is in an area near other similar residential uses with two shopping, restaurants and transit located nearby.

CITYWIDE HOUSING PLAN

The City recently adopted a citywide housing master plan titled *Growing SLC: A Five-Year Housing Plan* 2018-2022 that focuses on ways the City can meet its housing needs in the next five years. The plan includes policies that relate to this development, including:

Objective 1: Review and modify land-use and zoning regulations to reflect the affordability needs of a growing, pioneering city

- Increasing flexibility around dimensional requirements and code definitions will reduce barriers to housing construction that are unnecessary for achieving city goals, such as neighborhood preservation.
 - 1.1.1 Develop flexible zoning tools and regulations, with a focus along significant transportation routes.
 - 1.1.2 Develop in-fill ordinances that promote a diverse housing stock, increase housing options, create redevelopment opportunities, and allow additional units within existing structures, while minimizing neighborhood impacts.

Allowing additional height through the Design Review is a zoning tool that provides flexibility in the zoning standards and a way to provide added housing that would normally not be allowed through strict application of the zoning code.

PLAN SALT LAKE

The City has an adopted citywide master plan that includes policies related to providing additional housing options. The plan includes policies related to growth and housing in Salt Lake City, as well as related policies regarding air quality:

Growth:

- Locate new development in areas with existing infrastructure and amenities, such as transit and transportation corridors.
- Promote infill and redevelopment of underutilized land.
- Accommodate and promote an increase in the City's population.
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Housing:

- Access to a wide variety of housing types for all income levels throughout the City, providing the basic human need for safety and responding to changing demographics.
- Increase diversity of housing types for all income levels throughout the city.
- Increase the number of medium density housing types and options.
- Enable moderate density increases within existing neighborhoods where appropriate.

Air Quality:

- Increase mode-share for public transit, cycling, walking, and carpooling.
- Minimize impact of car emissions.
- Reduce individual and citywide energy consumption.

The project meets the policies outlined above. This project removes a standalone office building and redevelops land for multi family housing. It is a good example of infill development and transitions the use to accommodate the increasing population of the city. This project should reduce automobile dependency by developing in an area well served by various transit options and all-season bike storage. The proximity to major roads lessens automobile impacts by enabling drivers to easily access other arterial streets and highways without having to pass through small neighborhoods.

Attachment C

RMU Development Standards - Summarized from Chapter

The subject property is located within the R-MU Residential/Mixed Use District zoning district. The purpose of the R-MU Residential/Mixed Use District from Chapter 21A.24.170 is as follows:

Purpose Statement: The purpose of the R-MU Residential/Mixed Use District is to reinforce the mixed-use character of the area and encourage the development of areas as high density residential urban neighborhoods containing retail, service commercial, and small-scale office uses. This district is appropriate in areas of the City where the applicable master plans support high density, mixed use development. The standards for the district are intended to facilitate the creation of a walkable urban neighborhood with an emphasis on pedestrian scale activity while acknowledging the need for transit and automobile access.

Requirement	Standard	Proposed		
Lot Area/ Lot Width	No minimum lot area required Minimum Lot Width-50 feet feet Lot Area – 33,983 sq ft Lot Width – 206.25 feet		Complies	
Front Yard	No setback is required.		Complies	
Side Yard	No setback is required.		Complies	
Rear Yard	Twenty five percent (25%) of lot depth but need not exceed thirty feet (30').	31 feet 10 inches	Complies	
Maximum Height	The maximum building height shall not exceed seventy-five feet (75'). One hundred twenty-five- foot (125') height zone map for the R-MU District (attached above)	See attachments for areas that exceed 70 feet varying from 5 feet 8 inches to 13 feet 10 inches.	PC Approval Needed for additional Height	
Landscape	For residential uses and mixed uses containing residential use, not less than twenty percent (20%) of the lot area shall be maintained as an open space area. This open space area may take the form of landscape yards or plazas and courtyards, subject to site plan review approval.	Required landscape is 6796.6 square feet. The proposal is for a total of 6380 square feet (20.3%) which is above the required landscape.	Complies	
Glass: ground floor (%) (21A.37.050C1)	40%	49%	Complies	
Building Entrances: At least one operable building entrance on the ground floor is required for every street facing facade.	Lobby entrance is on the ground floor of the street facing façade.	See Site Plan	Complies	
Blank wall: maximum length (<u>feet) 15</u> feet (21A.37.050E)	The blank <u>wall and</u> façade breakup measurements are shown on the front elevation sheets.	See Elevation Sheets (Attachment J)	Complies	
Lighting: parking lot (21A.37.050I)	See Lighting Plan (Attachment L)		Complies	
Screening of mechanical equipment /service areas	Mechanical units for the building will be located at the roof level and will be screened. Garbage refuge container e is located within the structure.	See Site Plan	Complies	

Attachment D

Analysis of Standards – Design Review

DESIGN REVIEW STANDARDS – Planning Application PLNPCM2021-00649

21A.59.050: Standards for Design Review: The standards in this section apply to all applications for design review as follows:

For applications seeking modification of base zoning design standards, applicants shall demonstrate how the applicant's proposal complies with the standards for design review that are directly applicable to the design standard(s) that is proposed to be modified.

For applications that are required to go through the design review process for purposes other than a modification to a base zoning standard, the applicant shall demonstrate how the proposed project complies with each standard for design review. If an application complies with a standard in the base zoning district or with an applicable requirement in chapter 21A.37 of this title and that standard is directly related to a standard found in this section, the Planning Commission shall find that application complies with the specific standard for design review found in this section. An applicant may propose an alternative to a standard for design review provided the proposal is consistent with the intent of the standard for design review.

Standard	Finding	Rationale
A. Any new development shall comply with the intent of the purpose statement of the zoning district and specific design regulations found within the zoning district in which the project is located as well as the City's adopted "urban design element" and adopted master plan policies and design guidelines governing the specific area of the proposed development.	Complies	The proposed land use is permitted use the RMU Zone and compatible to adjacent land uses.
 B. Development shall be primarily oriented to the sidewalk, not an interior courtyard or parking lot. 1. Primary entrances shall face the public sidewalk (secondary entrances can face a parking lot). 2. Building(s) shall be sited close to the public sidewalk, following, and responding to the desired development patterns of the neighborhood. 3. Parking shall be located within, behind, or to the side of buildings. 	Complies	The primary orientation is to the sidewalk with the main entry, lobby, elevator, and amenity spaces adjacent to the sidewalk. 1. The primary entrance faces the public sidewalk. The secondary entrance faces the side drive aisle. 2. The building has been sited close to the public sidewalk. 3. The parking for the project has been located within the building and rear yard.
 C. Building facades shall include detailing and glass in sufficient quantities to facilitate pedestrian interest and interaction. 1. Locate active ground floor uses at or near the public sidewalk. 2. Maximize transparency of ground floor facades. 3. Use or reinterpret traditional storefront elements like sign bands, 	Complies	The building's ground floor lobby, elevator, staircase, mailroom, restrooms, and fitness room are all on the ground floor adjacent to the public sidewalk. Accent back-illuminated metal band across the full length of glazing and wall art draw engagement and interest from pedestrian activity to the project.

 clerestory glazing, articulation, and architectural detail at window transitions. 4. Locate outdoor dining patios, courtyards, plazas, habitable landscaped yards, and open spaces so that they have a direct visual connection to the street and outdoor spaces. 		The street-facing glass area on level 1 has been increased to 49% to make lobby space more transparent and visually reduce the appearance of the cantilevered portion of the building. The RMU Zone requires Glass: ground floor (40%)
 D. Large building masses shall be divided into heights and sizes that relate to human scale. 1. Relate building scale and massing to the size and scale of existing and anticipated buildings, such as alignments with established cornice heights, building massing, step-backs, and vertical emphasis. 2. Modulate the design of a larger building using a series of vertical or horizontal emphases to equate with the scale (heights and widths) of the buildings in the context and reduce the visual width or height. 3. Include secondary elements such as balconies, porches, vertical bays, belt courses, fenestration, and window reveal. 4. Reflect the scale and solid-to-void ratio of windows and doors of the established character of the neighborhood or that which is desired in the master plan. 	Complies	Street-facing building masses have been divided into heights and sizes that relate to the human scale, the material changes from ground level to the apartment level, the use of balconies, courtyards, help create the pedestrian-scale design. The zero setbacks property line mass step back at the second level in anticipation of future development. 1. The apartments are 6 stories on top of a garage podium. The scale and massing of this project complement the nearby height and massing of adjacent Encore Apartments and Elevate on 5th Apartments as well as the scale of anticipated developments in the area. 2. To help reduce the visual height of the building, the developer is proposing continuing the horizontal emphasis on upper floors with the proposed composition through balcony reliefs, material expression, and fenestration pattern that further emphasizes and articulates the base and upper levels as distinct. 3. Balconies have been provided on all units. Corner unit balconies at the courtyard are modulated to interact with building mass and to help to reduce the impact of the street-facing stair tower height. 4. Varying window sizes and patterns, use of the storefront in the lower level, create aesthetic for the neighborhood that matches or exceeds existing buildings

 E. Building facades that exceed a combined contiguous building length of 200 feet shall include: Changes in vertical plane (breaks in facade). Material changes; and Massing changes. F. If provided, privately-owned public spaces shall include at least three (3) of the six (6) following elements: Sitting space of at least one 	Complies	While the building facades are not longer than 200 feet, the developer has provided changes in the vertical plane, material changes, and massing changes on every façade. Break in vertical plan is shown on elevation sheets. The concept does not include any privately held public spaces. The project's resident rooftop spaces, on the other hand, offer a lounging area with shade trellises
 sitting space of at least one sitting space for each two hundred fifty (250) square feet shall be included in the plaza. Seating shall be a minimum of sixteen inches (16") in height and thirty inches (30") in width. Ledge benches shall have a minimum depth of thirty inches (30"). A mixture of areas that provide seasonal shade. 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. Water features or public art. Outdoor dining areas; and Other amenities not listed above that provide a public benefit. 		and fire pits, as well as outdoor dining places and decorative lighting. The building's frontage is less than 200 feet long. The landscape plan features two benches near the front entrance. There are trees in front of the current structure. The applicant should make every effort to maintain the health of the existing trees. The mural/art enhances the pedestrian experience and contributes to the public good.
 G. Building height shall be modified to relate to human scale and minimize negative impacts. In downtown and in the CSHBD Sugar House Business District, building height shall contribute to a distinctive City skyline. 1. Human scale: a. Utilize step backs to design a building that relate to the height and scale of adjacent and nearby buildings, or where identified, goals for future scale defined in adopted master plans. b. For buildings more than three (3) stories or buildings with vertical mixed use, compose the design of a building with distinct base, middle and top sections to reduce the sense of apparent height. 	Complies	The proposed rooflines are cohesive with the overall building form and composition. The Street-facing roofline is accented with the stair tower that acts as a background element for the main building sign. Additionally, the Northeast roofline is accented with the club room pop-up eyebrow roof element that highlights the active corner of the building. The overall height and form of the building are similar in scale to the surrounding context, including the multifamily buildings in this and surrounding blocks. A rooftop amenity area that includes both indoor and outdoor space is featured at the northeast corner of the building. The exterior view with the club room massing and amenity deck creates a

 a. Modulate taller buildings vertically and horizontally so that it steps up or down to its neighbors. b. Minimize shadow impacts of building height on the public realm and semi-public spaces by varying building massing. Demonstrate impact from shadows due to building height for the portions of the building that are subject to the request for additional height. c. Modify tall buildings to minimize wind impacts on public and private spaces, such as the inclusion of a wind break above the first level of the building. 3. Cornices and rooflines: a. Cohesiveness: Shape and define rooflines to be cohesive with the building's overall form and composition. b. Complement Surrounding Buildings: Include roof forms that complement the rooflines of surrounding buildings. c. Green Roof and Roof Deck: Include a green roof and/or accessible roof deck to support a more visually compelling roof landscape and reduce solar gain, air pollution, and the amount of water entering the stormwater system. 		special featured corner and highlights the common areas of the project.
H. Parking and on-site circulation shall be provided with an emphasis on making safe pedestrian connections to the sidewalk, transit facilities, or midblock walkway.	Condition of Approval	See the above analysis in Issue 2. The applicant is meeting the parking requirements and following the TDM Process. All Transportation comments must be addressed by the developer.
I. Waste and recycling containers, mechanical equipment, storage areas, and loading docks shall be fully screened from public view and shall incorporate building materials and detailing compatible with the building being served. Service uses shall be set back from the front line of building or located within the structure. (See subsection 21A.37.050K of this title.) In the RMU Zone Screening of mechanical equipment is required as well as screening of service areas.	Complies	Due to the site constraints, the dumpster trash room door must remain in its current location. The door is accessible from the street, but the receptacle will be located within the building.

 J. Signage shall emphasize the pedestrian/mass transit orientation. 1. Define specific spaces for signage that are integral to building design, such as commercial sign bands framed by a material change, columns for blade signs, or other clearly articulated band on the face of the building. 2. Coordinate signage locations with appropriate lighting, awnings, and other projections. 3. Coordinate sign location with landscaping to avoid conflicts. 	Complies – Verification at Building Permit	Primary building signage will be provided under a separate application. Compliance with signage approval is delegated to staff and will be verified at the building permit stage.
 K. Lighting shall support pedestrian comfort and safety, neighborhood image, and dark sky goals. 1. Provide streetlights as indicated in the Salt Lake City Lighting Master Plan. 2. Outdoor lighting should be designed for low-level illumination and to minimize glare and light trespass onto adjacent properties and up lighting directly to the sky. 3. Coordinate lighting with architecture, signage, and pedestrian circulation to accentuate significant building features, improve sign legibility, and support pedestrian comfort and safety. 	Complies	The applicant provided a lighting plan and narrative for the project. No streetlights are required for this project, and the signs will be internally illuminated for easy readability. See provided lighting plan.
 L. Streetscape improvements shall be provided as follows: 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 30 feet 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 approved by the City's Urban Forester. Hardscape (paving material) shall be utilized to differentiate privately-owned public spaces from public spaces. Hardscape for public sidewalks shall follow 	Complies	Property Frontage along 500 East = 201 linear feet i.e., 201'/30' = 6.7 trees required, and PEC is proposing (8) Ginkgo biloba 'Princeton Sentry columnar/upright trees from the Medium Salt Lake City Tree list. 2. The developer is using a variety of materials to create private and public places, pathways and crosswalks according to the Landscape Plan. Asphalt can only be found in vehicle drive aisles. Detailed information can be found on the landscape plan and narrative.
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applicable design standards. Permitted materials for privately-owned public spaces shall meet the following standards:

- a. Use materials that are durable (withstand wear, pressure, damage), require a minimum of maintenance, and are easily repairable or replaceable should damage or defacement occur.
- b. Where practical, as in lower-traffic areas, use materials that allow rainwater to infiltrate into the ground and recharge the water table.
- c. Limit contribution to urban heat island effect by limiting use of dark materials and incorporating materials with a high Solar-Reflective Index (SRI).
- d. Utilize materials and designs that have an identifiable relationship to the character of the site, the neighborhood, or Salt Lake City.
- e. Use materials (like textured ground surfaces) and features (like ramps and seating at key resting points) to support access and comfort for people of all abilities.
- f. Asphalt shall be limited to vehicle drive aisles.

Attachment E

Department Review Comments

FIRE There will be two Alternative means and Methods applications. They will be for Sections 503.1.1 and Appendix D105.3.503.1.1 would use 0.05 GPM/1sq. ft. additional density to the required automatic fire sprinkler system of a National Fire Protection Association Standard 13, plus automatic smoke detection in the corridors and public spaces.D105.3 would use one of the exceptions which was agreed to by planning and FPB.

ENGINEERING No objections.

PUBLIC UTILITIES No public utility objection to proposed height exception.

Offsite Utility improvements may be required for this project. Additional comments will be provided with the building permit review.

TRANSPORTATION

1. General parking: The parking generally looks fine. The minimums are met on minimum passenger vehicle parking and ADA parking. The minimum parking requirement for R-MU is one half space per multi-family dwelling unit. They are using TDM strategies to increase their maximum allowable parking (see below). They are not showing any EV (electric vehicle) parking spaces (see below). There are some issues with the bike parking that may be an easy fix (see below). The parking layout is acceptable. There are two "tandem" parking spaces shown exterior to the building (which is allowed) and must be assigned to a specific unit so that people don't get blocked in by their neighbor. The tandem stalls might be assigned perhaps to the office employees (?) and that is acceptable; they need to clarify.

ajc response: The tandem parking will be assigned to office employees.

2. EV parking: No EV parking is shown. I have seen some designs with automated parking that include EV hook-ups in the automated stalls themselves and that may be the case here; they need to clarify and be specific. The EV stalls shall be equipped with a standard electric vehicle charging station which basically means (for now) an electrical outlet. In the ordinance, it says that the EV parking must be clearly marked with signage/pavement markings indicating exclusive use for EV's only; non-EV's are not allowed to park in EV stalls. In short, they need to show that the EV parking requirements have been met for at least one per 25 stalls. ajc response: The automated parking system will be equipped with an EV charging system. The CityLift EV Charging Solutions document attached.

3. Bike parking: The thing that gets me hung up on this one is that the ordinance states that the location of the bicycle parking shall include a pathway (or sidewalk) that is connected to the right-of-way and is clearly separated from the parking lot and drive lanes. In this case, the bikers would be riding down the driveway, through the parking area and into the bike room, which doesn't meet the intent of the ordinance. I like the fact that they are providing a room for bike storage and especially because some of these units are small and space is at a premium. would suggest that they install four (4) bike racks (8 bike spaces) in the front of the building meeting all the specific bike rack location standards; this would satisfy their bike parking requirement. They can keep the storage room with bike racks, but maybe just call it" storage".

ajc response: We suggest adding a 4'-O" door from the public alley on the south property line to access the indoor bike storage. Updated Level 1 floor plan and site plan attached.

Grading at the public alley does not work with the Level 1 indoor bicycle storage finished floor grading. The access door cannot be provided. Hence in addition to bicycle storage at Level 1, we propose to add secured storage at the basement level with 6 additional parking stalls (4 stalls are required – 50%). The basement bicycle storage will be accessible from the public right-of-way through the building lobby and elevator.

BUILDING CODE (NA)

ZONING (See Zoning Review Table and Design Review Table) SUSTAINIBLITY No comments POLICE (NA)

ATTACHMENT F

Public Process and Comments

BLIC 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:

• The Planning Division provided a 45-day comment period notice to the Central City Community Council on August 25, 2021. Planning Staff did not receive any comments from the Community Council. The 45-day period ends on October 11, 2021.

• Notices were mailed to property owners/residents within 300 feet of the proposal

Notice of the public hearing for the proposal included:

- Public hearing notice mailed on October 15th, 2021.
- Public hearing notice posted on October 15th, 2021.
- Public notice posted on City and State websites and Planning Division list serve on October 15, 2021.

PUBLIC INPUT

No public comments were received at the time of the publication of the staff report. Any public comments received after publication of the staff report will be forwarded to the Planning Commission.

Attachment G



Attachment H

ajc architects

Project Narrative

The proposed project is for a 149-unit apartment building that will be a mix of studio, 1 bedroom, and 2 bedroom units on a 0.77-acre (33,600 square feet) parcel in the R-MU – Residential Mixed Use zoning district.

The proposed building will be consisting of 6 levels of apartments over 1 level consisting of a building lobby and an automated parking garage with an underground pit and a basement level below the lobby area with individual storage units. Mechanical units for the building will be located at the roof level and will be screened. Amenity deck connected to the club room at level 7 will be located at the roof level as well.

The primary building materials being used on the street-facing facade are architectural concrete, metal paneling, fiber cement wall panels, and wood-look metal siding.

		UNIT MATRIX - THE DEWITT APARTMENTS							
		UNIT CD LEVEL COUNT					TOTAL		
UNIT TYPE	UNIT SIZE (SF)	INDENTIFICATION	LEVEL 2	LEVEL 3	LEVEL 4	LEVEL 5	LEVEL 6	LEVEL 7	
STUDIO-A	440	UNIT 0.1 L2	1						1
STUDIO-A	470	UNIT 0.1		1	1	1	1	1	5
STUDIO-B	490	UNIT 0.2 L2	10						10
STUDIO-B	515	UNIT 0.2 L3-L7		10	10	10	10	11	51
1 BRA	685	UNIT 1.1 L2	2						2
1 BRA	710	UNIT 1.1 L2		3	3	3	3	2	14
1 BRA(ADA)	710	UNIT 1.1 ADA		1				1	2
1 BRB	700	UNIT 1.2 L2	1						1
1 BRB	720	UNIT 1.2		1	1	1	1		4
1 BRC	735	UNIT 1.3 L2	4						4
1 BRC	760	UNIT 1.3		4	4	4	4	4	20
1 BRD	780	UNIT 1.4 L2	1						1
1 BRD	805	UNIT 1.4		1	1	1	1	1	5
2 BRA	975	UNIT 2.1 L2	1						1
2 BRA	1000	UNIT 2.1		1	1	1	1		4
2 BRB.1	925	UNIT 2.1 L7						1	1
2 BRB	1170	UNIT 2.2 L2	1						1
2 BRB	1190	UNIT 2.2 L3-L7		1	1	1	1	1	5
2 BRC	1030	UNIT 2.3 L2	1						1
2 BRC	1050	UNIT 2.3 L3-L6		1	1	1	1		4
2 BRD	940	UNIT 2.4 L2	1						1
2 BRD	955	UNIT 2.4 L3 L6		1	1	1	1	1	5
2 BRE	1005	UNIT 2.5 L2	1						1
2 BRE	1025	UNIT 2.5 L3-L7		1	1	1	1		4
2 BRE(ADA)	1025	UNIT 2.5 ADA L7						1	1
									149
DENSITY METRIC	CALCULATION	1							
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149 / 0.77 = 193.5	(Dwellings units	per acre)							

A combination of stucco and the above-mentioned materials is proposed for the side and rear facade.



Request for Additional Height:

The tallest point of the proposed building will be approximately 86' tall plus the elevator tower clear height overhead.

The majority of the building parapet is 2'-6" above 75' height except for the building club room roof and some of the architectural features for amenity deck support.

Buildings in the R-MU zoning district are permitted up to 75' tall, and up to 125' with the Design Review process with Planning Commission approval.

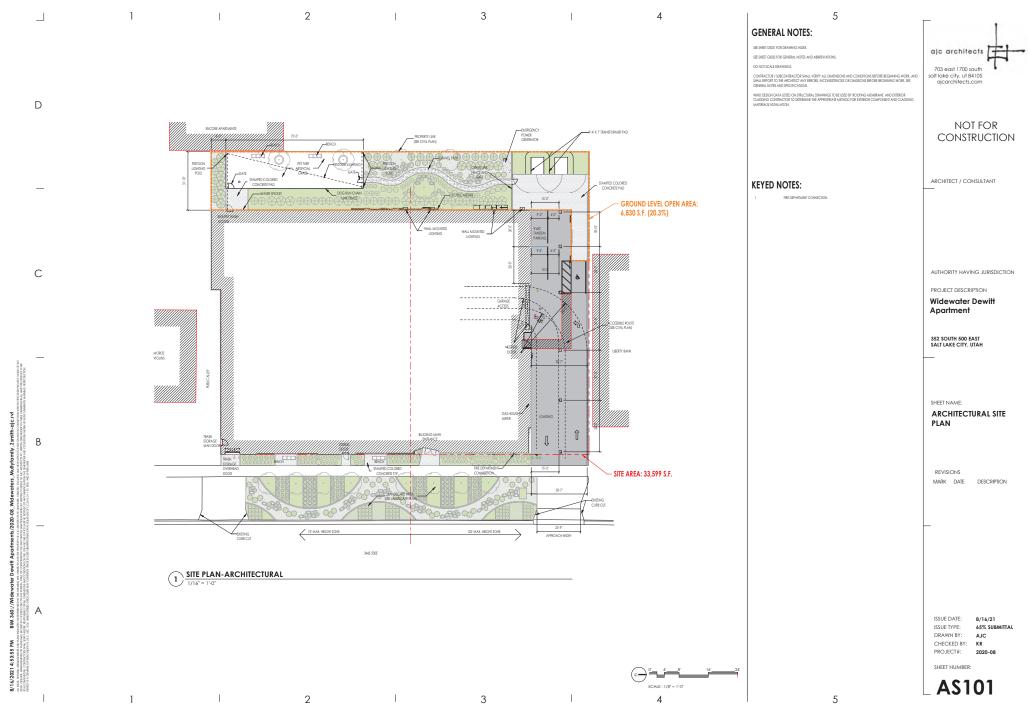
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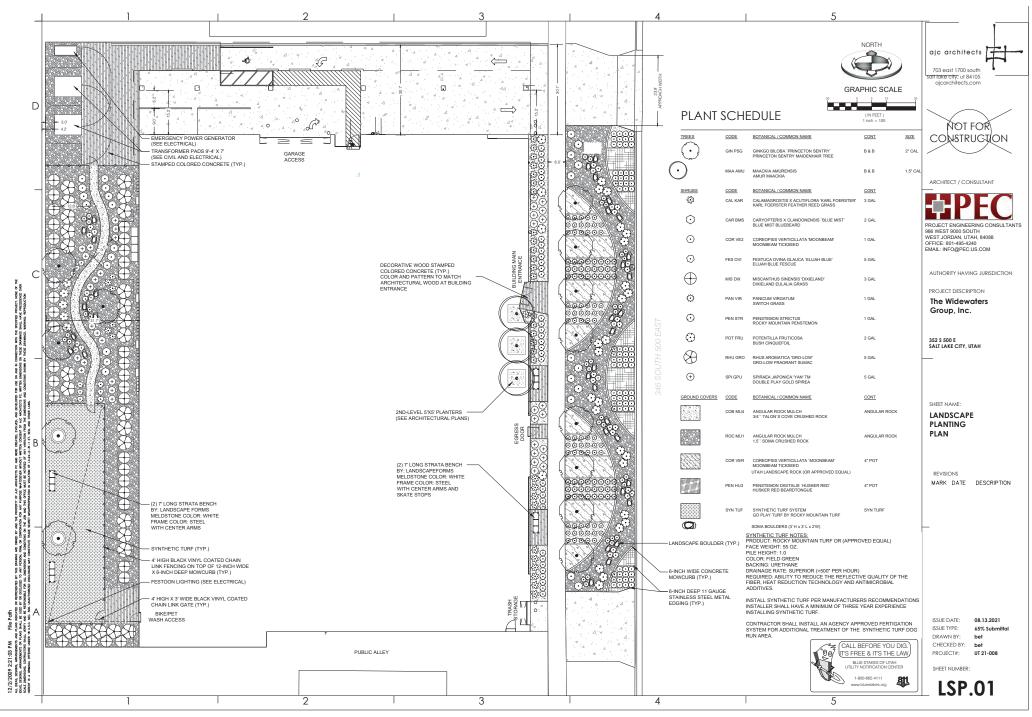
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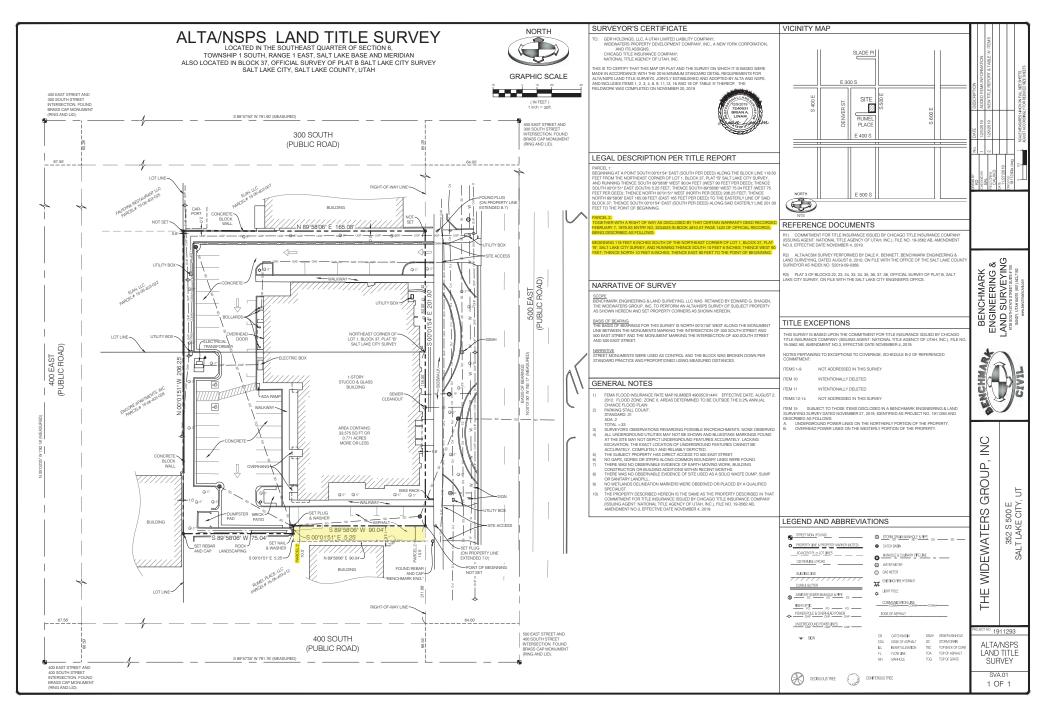
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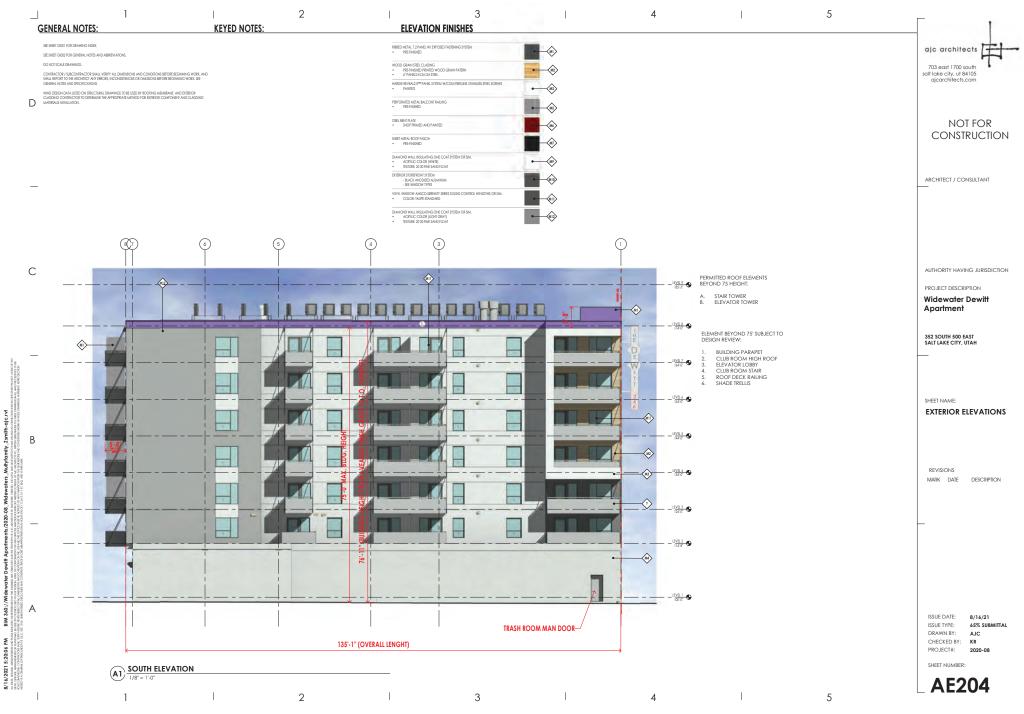
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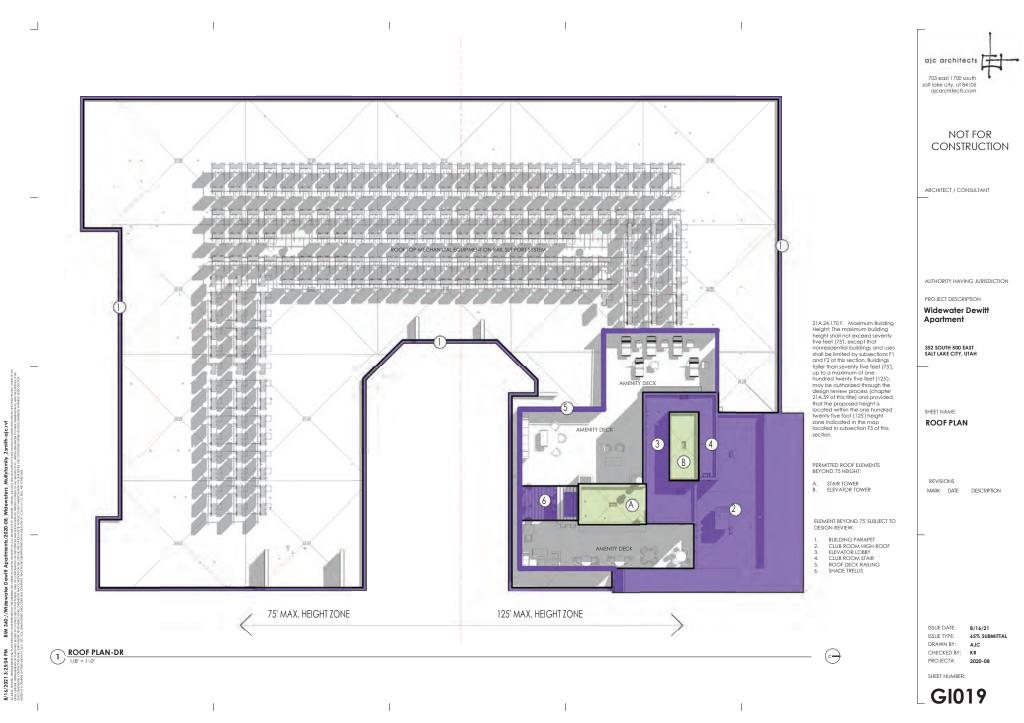
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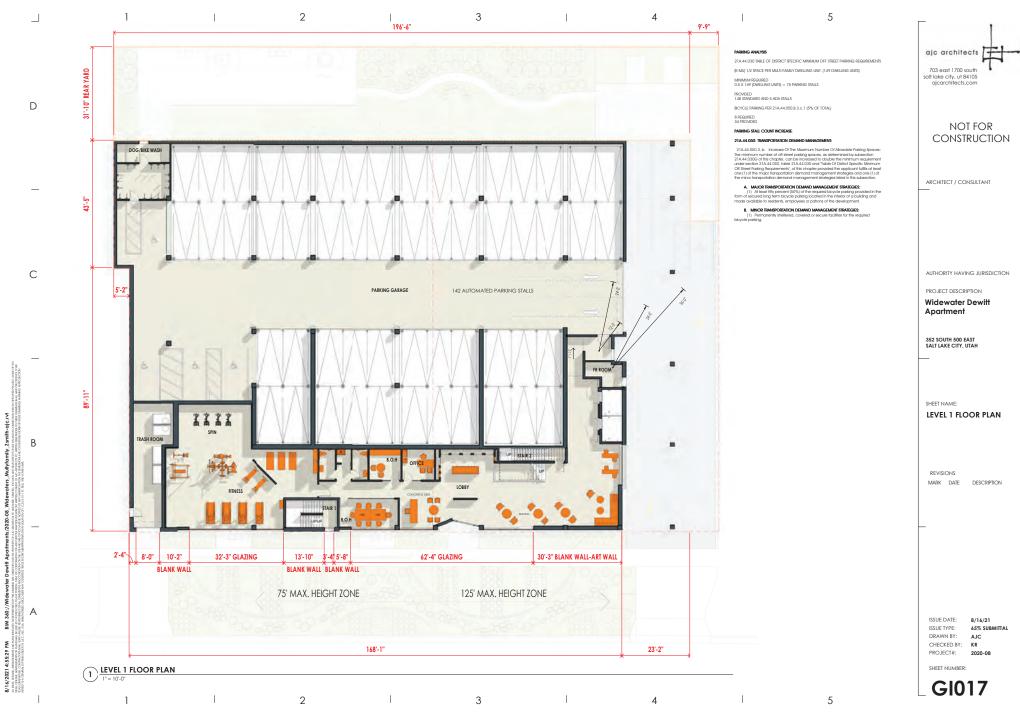
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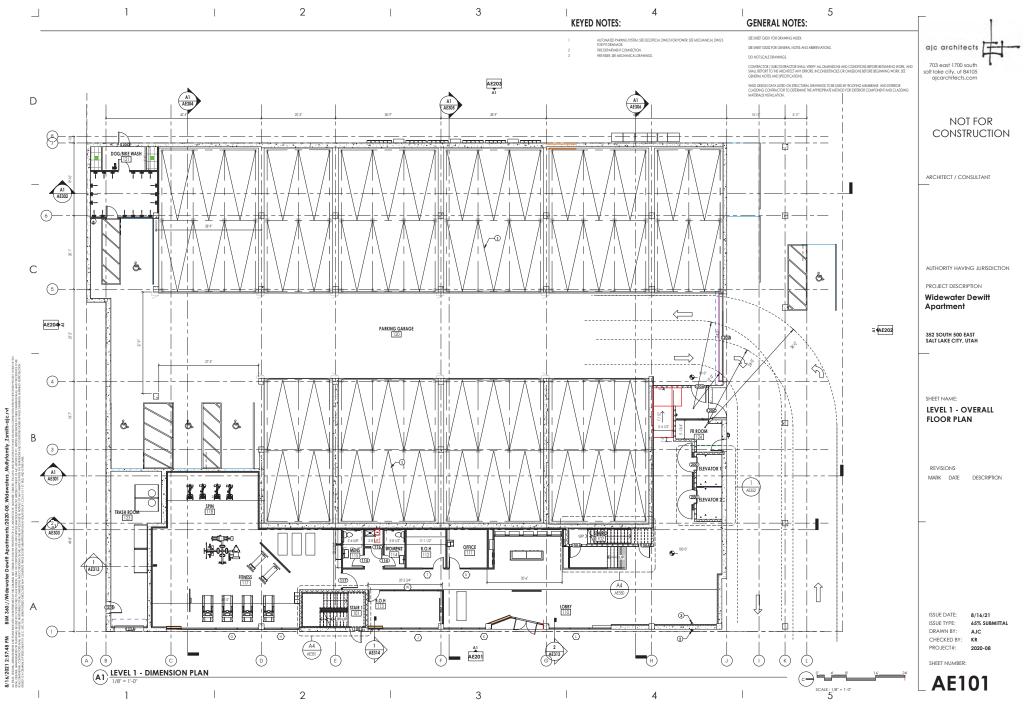


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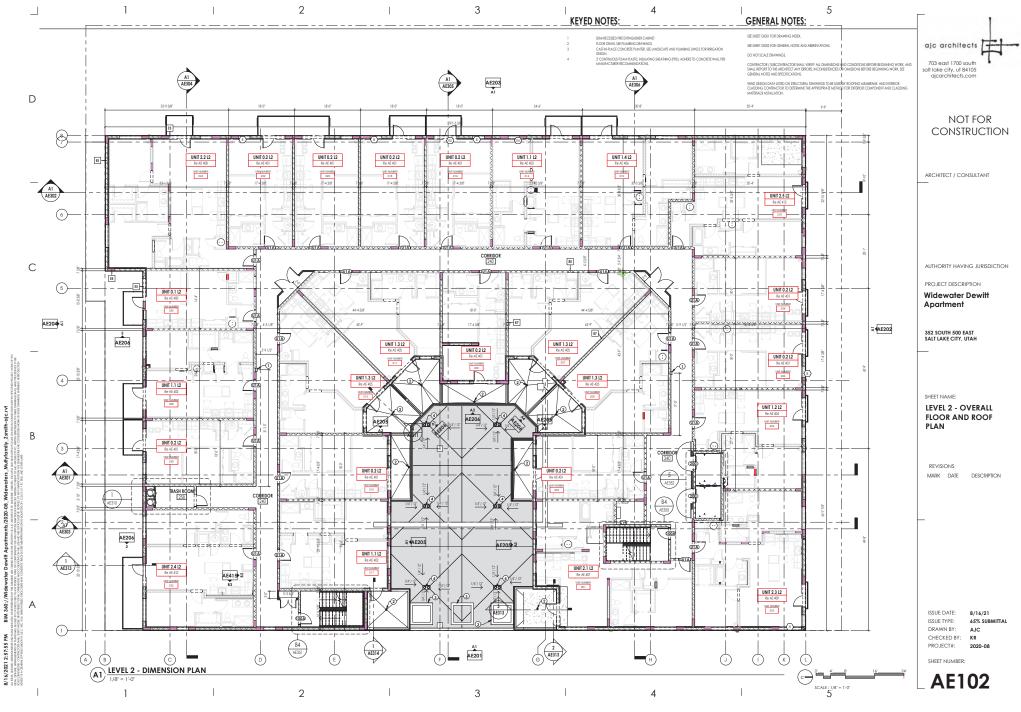
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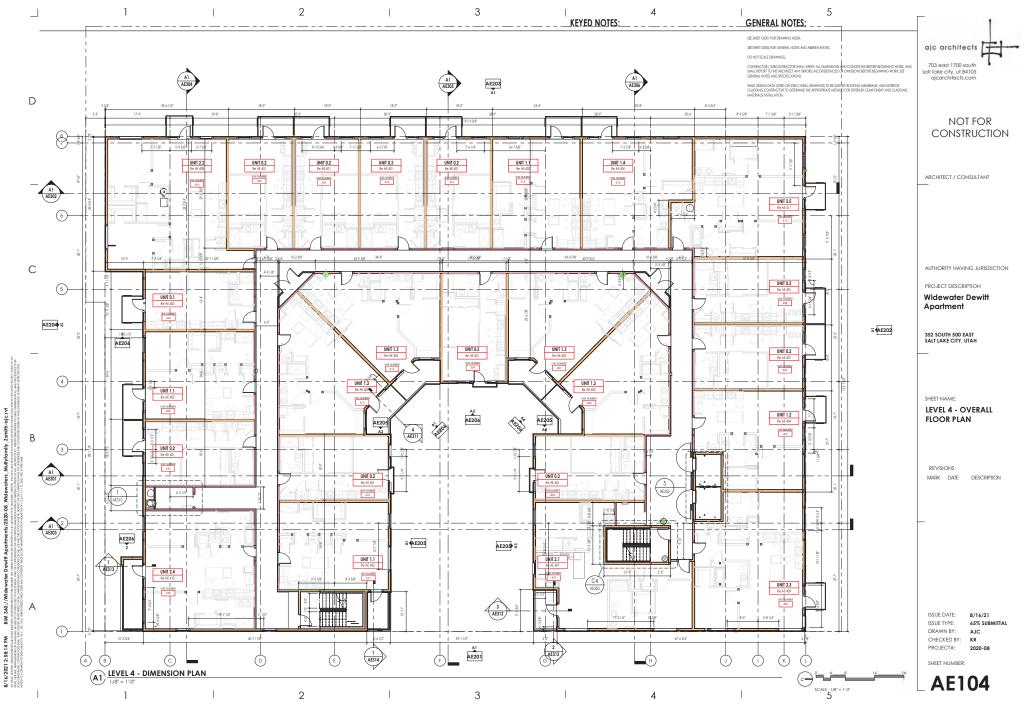
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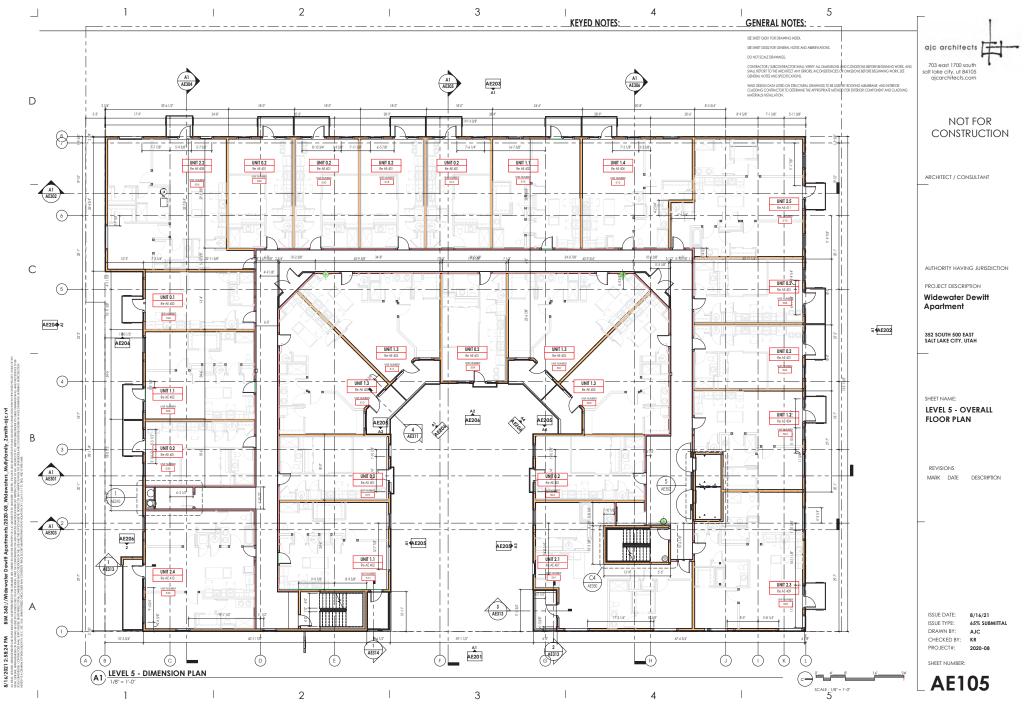
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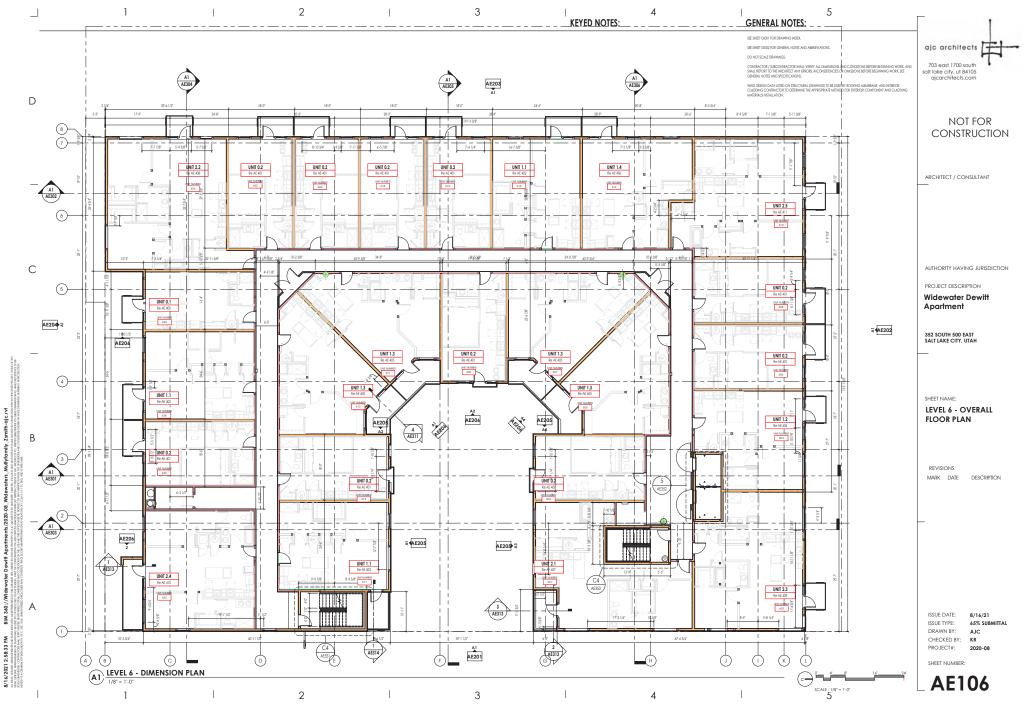
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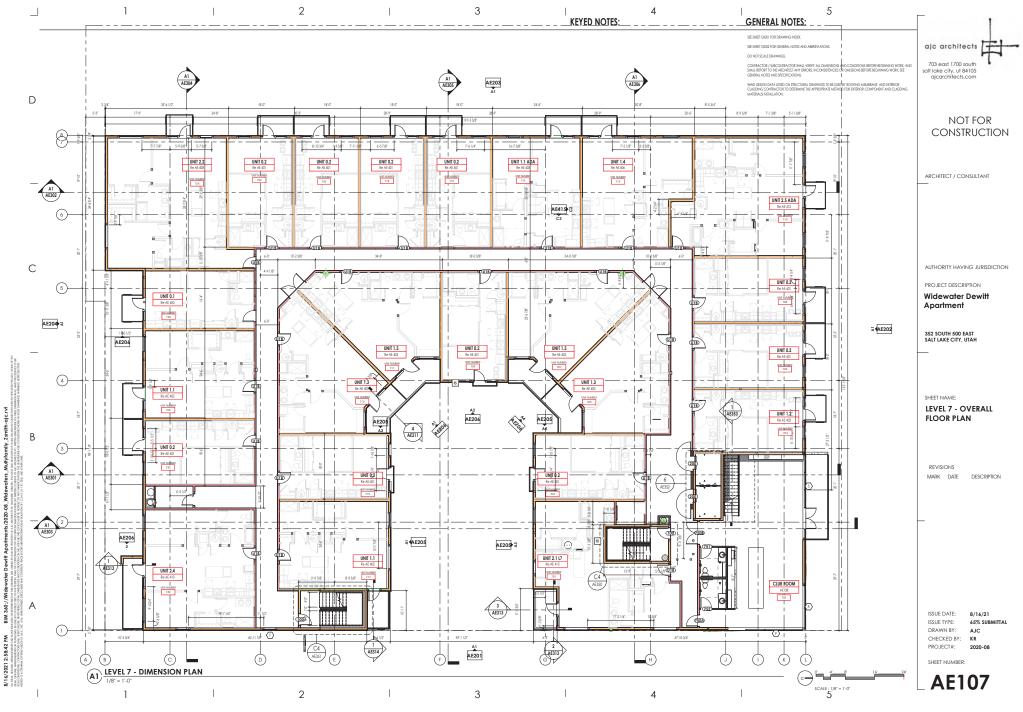
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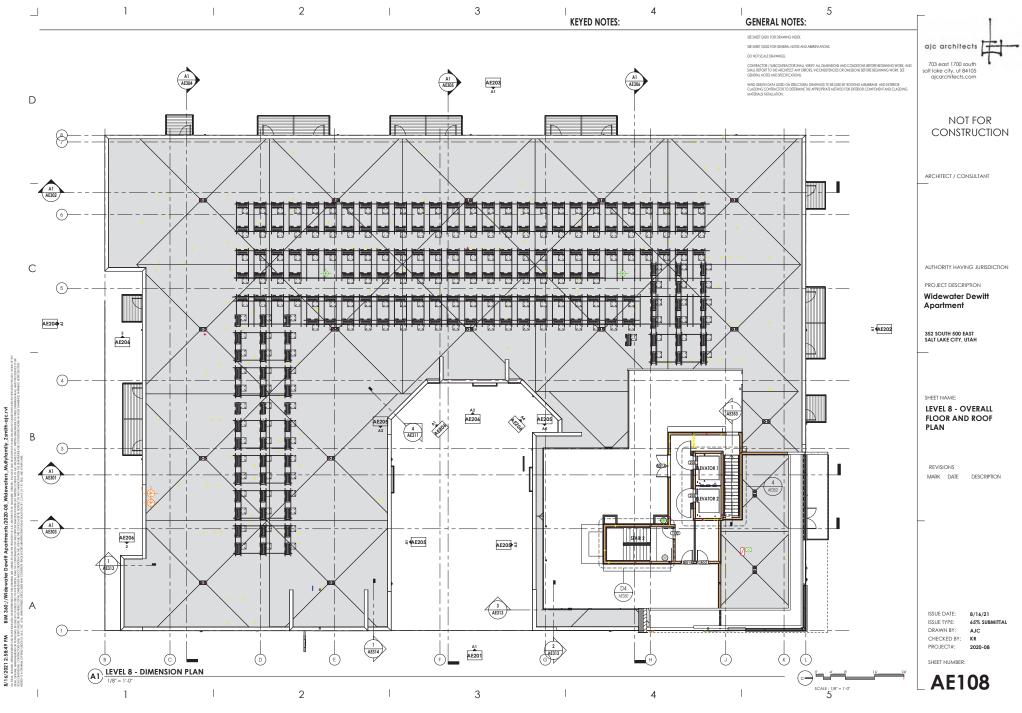


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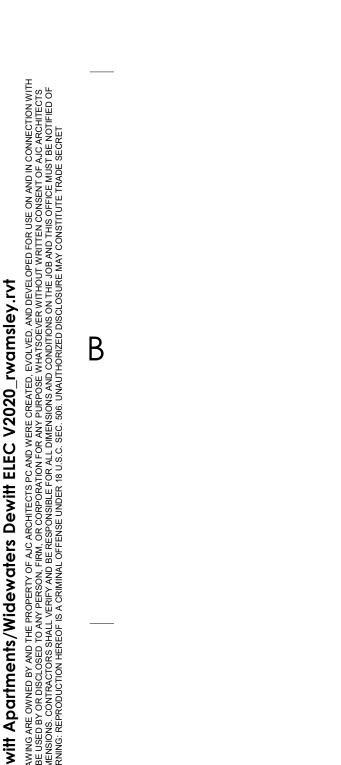
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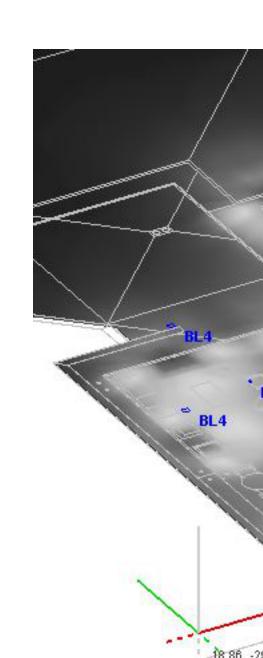
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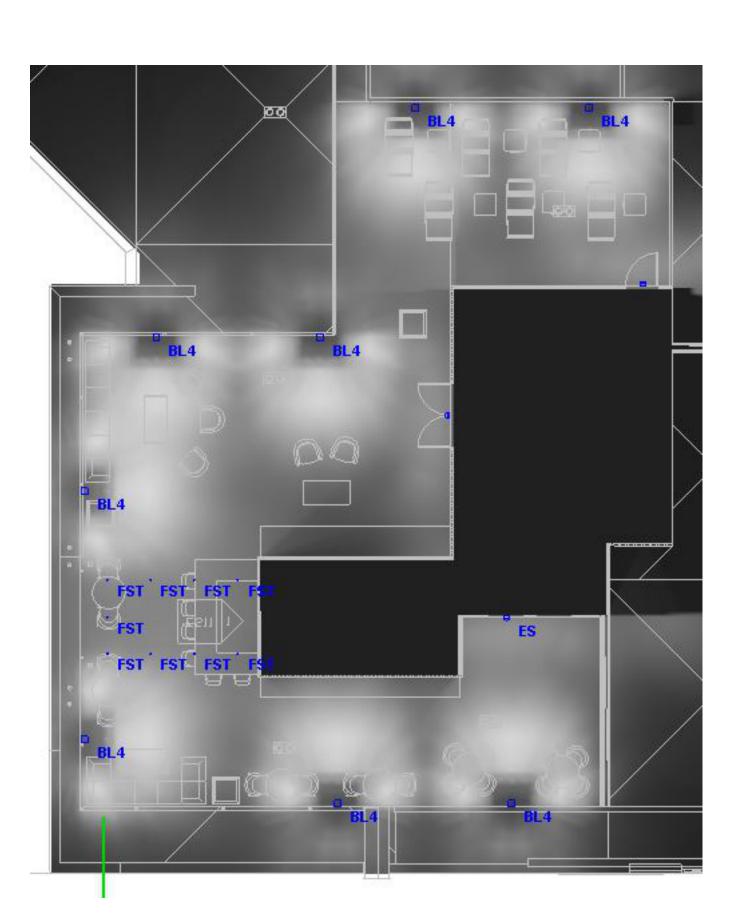
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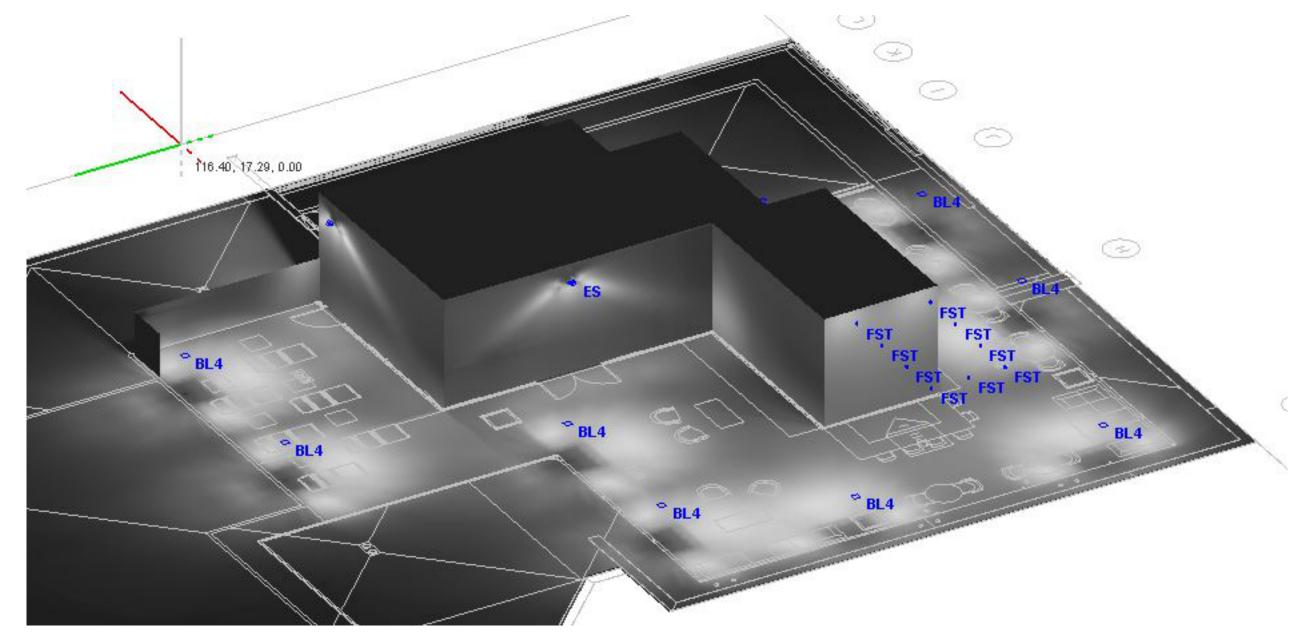
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