

FIRST FLOOR PLAN

SCALE: 3/32" = 1'-0"

= PROPOSED NEW ENCLOSED SPACE

= EXISTING BUILDING

0 4' 8' 16' SCALE: 3/32" = 1'-0"

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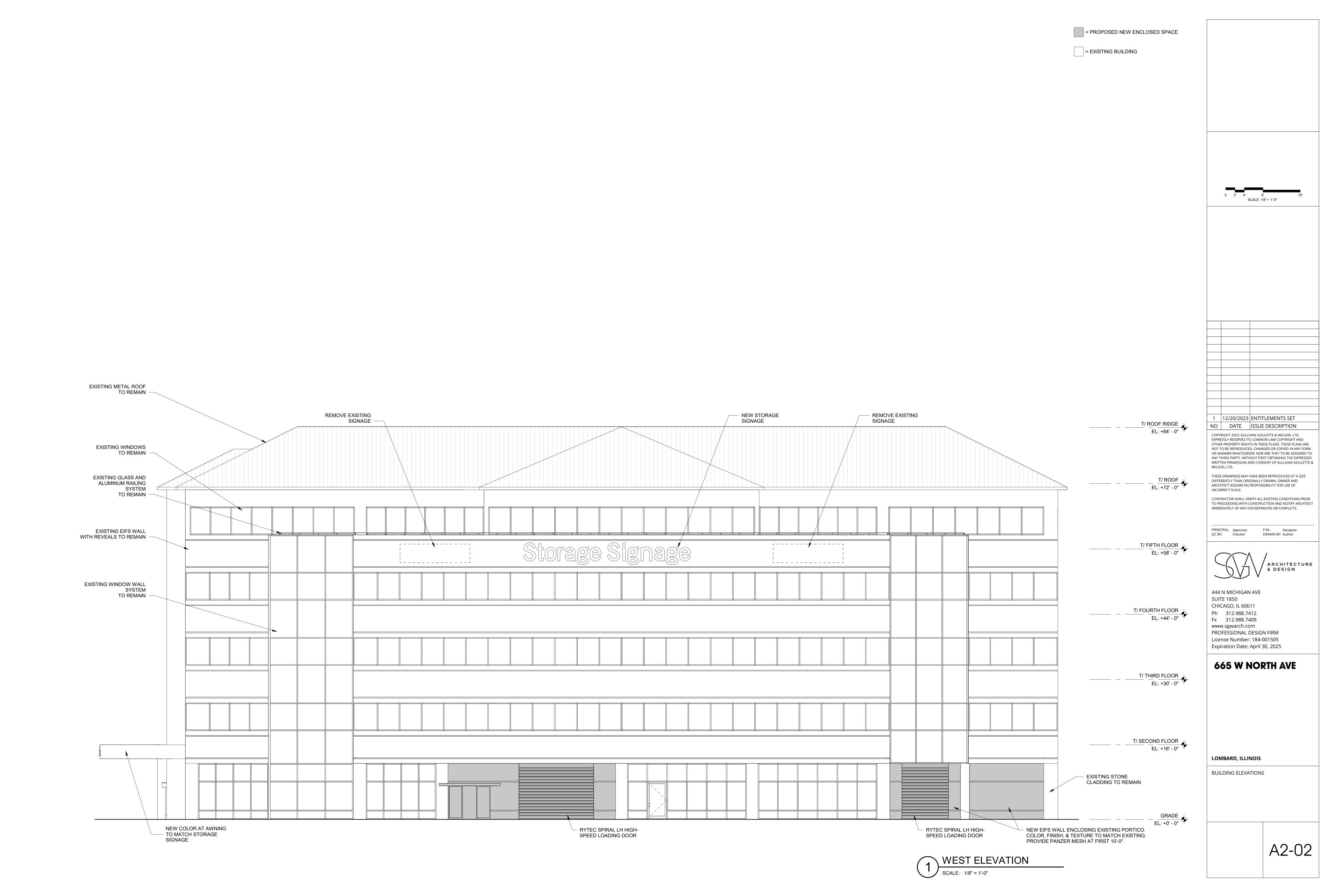
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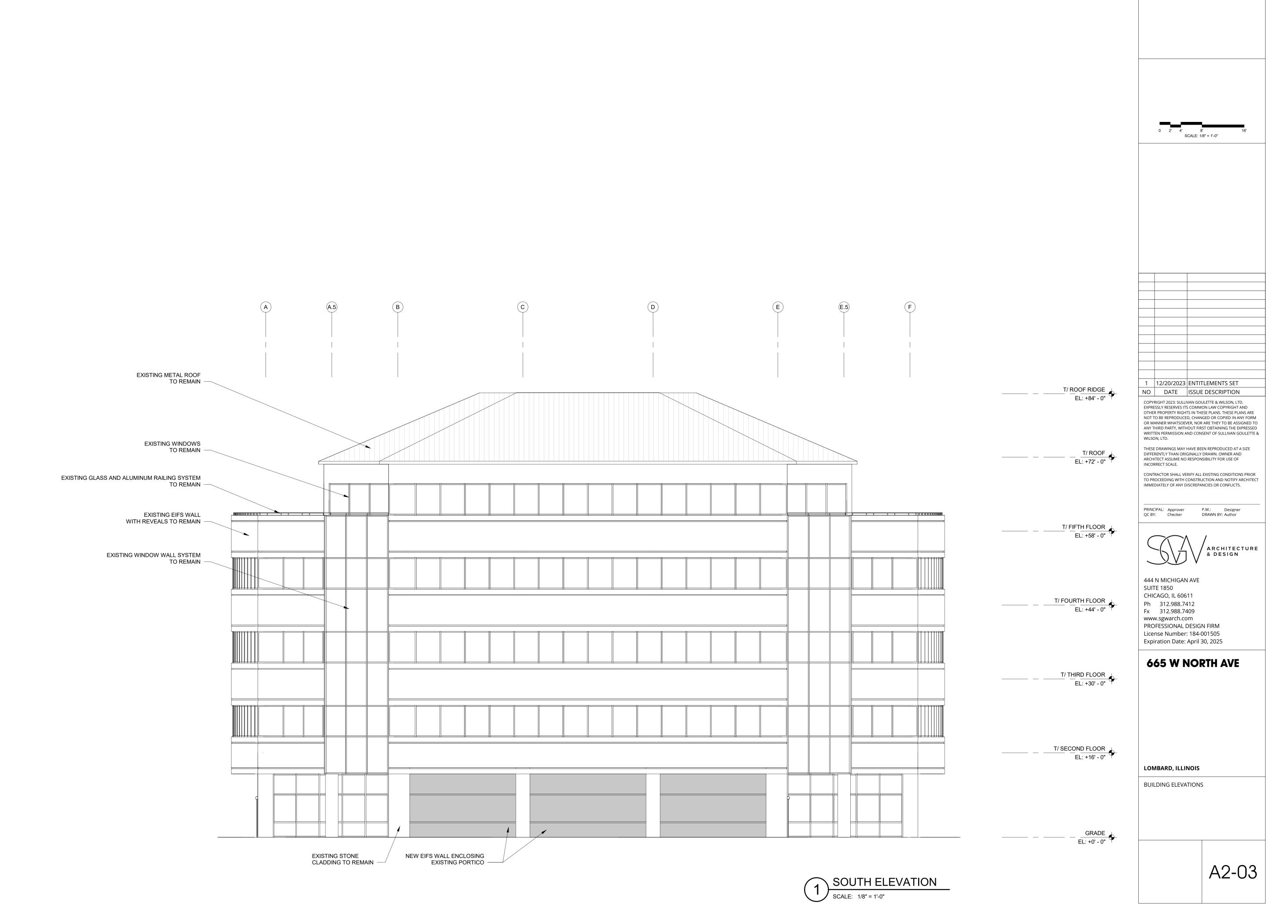
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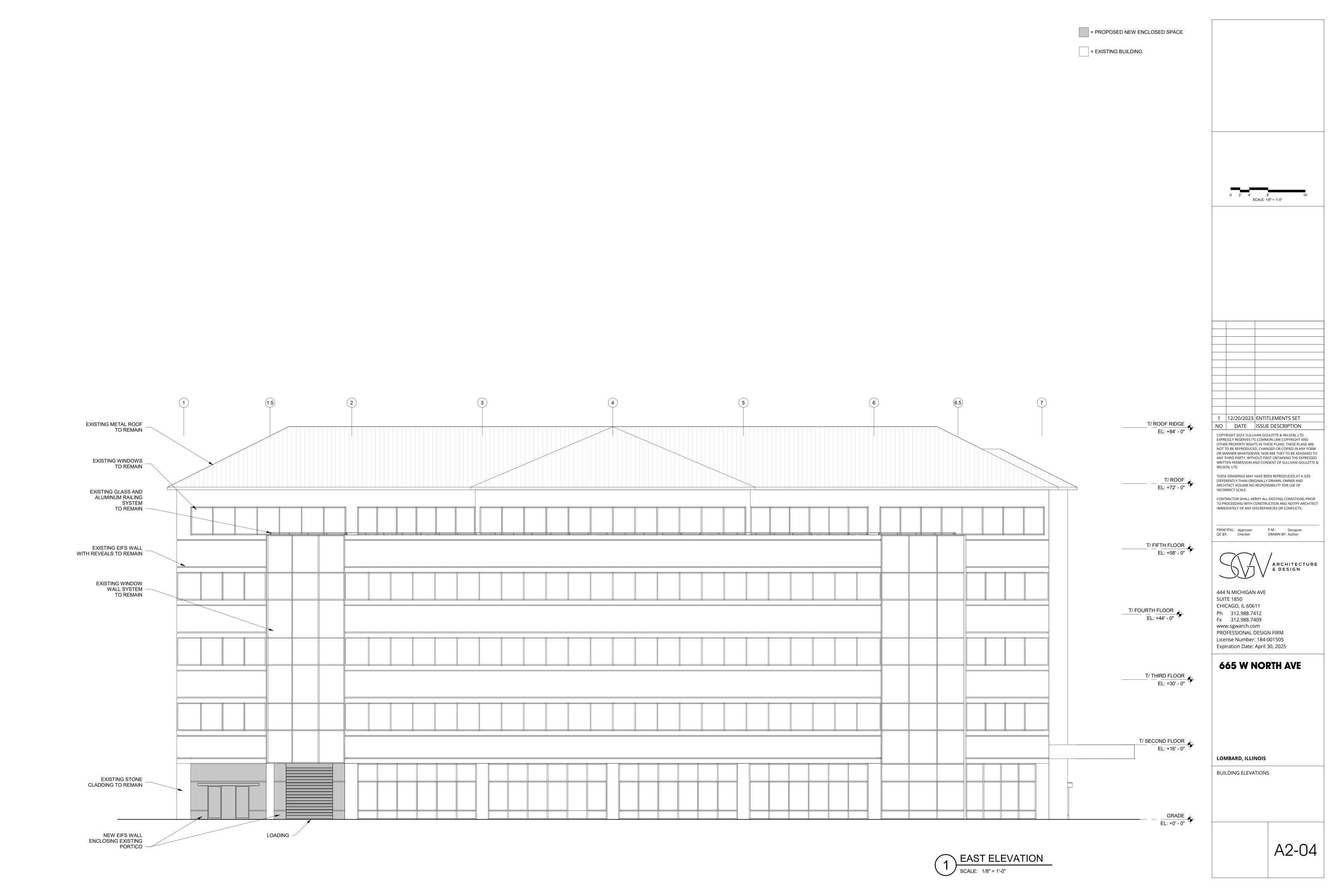
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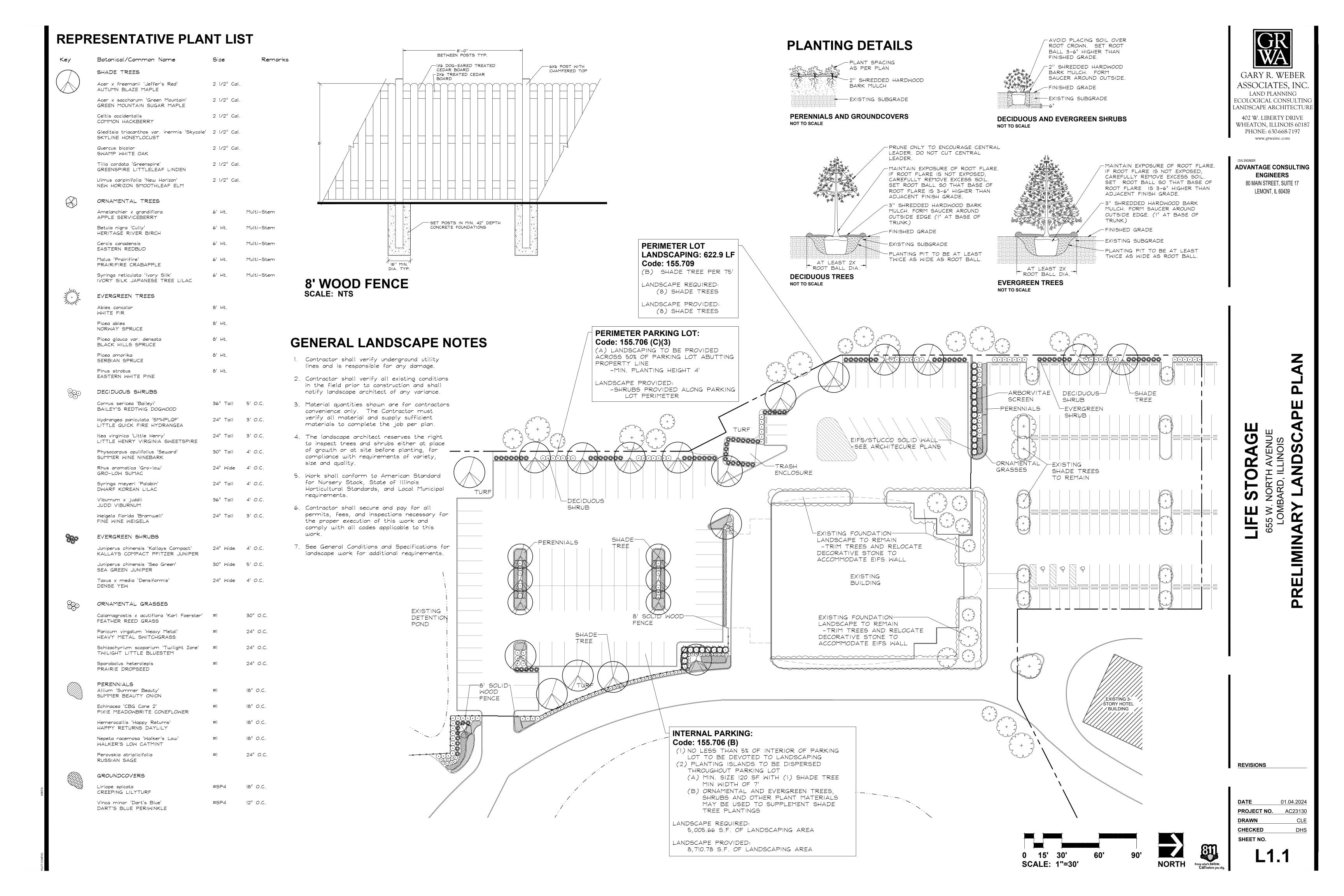


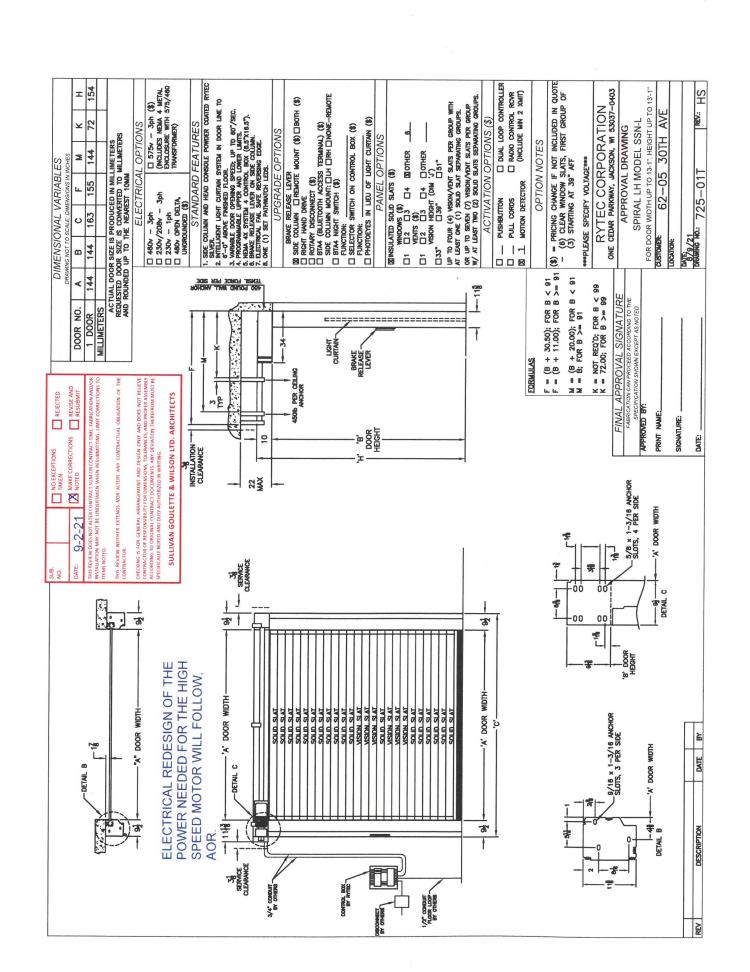
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Re: 655 North Avenue, Lombard, IL. Structural Analysis of Existing Building Framing to Support Storage Loading

SP Engineers performed a structural analysis of the building located at 655 North Avenue in Lombard, IL. The purpose of the analysis was to determine if the existing office building could be converted to a self-storage facility which would require an increase in load capacity. The analysis was based on the existing building drawings prepared by Structural Associates, Inc. dated 4/5/2000, issued for permit. Specific connection information was not indicated in the drawings, therefore, ECS Midwest, LLC performed a limited field survey to determine typical connection types. ECS project 52:2100 dated August 29, 2023 indicates the general connection arrangement with sizes and locations which were verified. No additional field survey work or testing was done to determine if the as-built framing matched the structural drawings.

A full building model was created to analyze the beams, columns, girders and lateral bracing. The foundations and connections were checked separately. Below are the findings of the analysis based on a design live load of 125 psf, as required for storage use.

Foundations:

Four footings were found to be overstressed. The footings at column lines 2-C, 2-D, 6-C and 6-E were overstressed by approximately 10%. To meet the additional load requirement, additional columns could be added to reduce the footing loads. Two new columns would be required along column line 2 and would extend from below the second-floor girder (at the centerline of the girder) down to the basement level. It would need to be field verified if there is room for the columns to continue past the basement wall down to the new footings or if a new concrete pier would be required from the basement to first floor. Three columns would be required below the first-floor framing along column line 6. New spread footings would be required under all the columns. See Figures 1 and 2 for general column and footing locations.

Decking:

The existing decking is indicated as 2"x18ga. VLI deck with 3 ½" of lightweight concrete. The capacity of the deck for a maximum span of approximately 8'-4" is 278 psf. The deck is sufficient for storage use.

Framing Members (Beams and Columns):

All framing members were found to be sufficient for the increased loading. However, the fifth-floor columns would require reinforcement as noted in the Connection section.

Lateral X-Bracing:

There are two bays of X-bracing indicated on the structural drawings. They are designated as T1 on the existing framing plans and located in the stair walls just north of line C and just south of line D between lines 3-4. Elevations of the braces are indicated on sheet S6 section 1. The double angle members at the basement and first floor levels were overstressed. The existing members could be reinforced with new angles welded to the existing in order to meet load requirements – see Figure 3 for brace elevation. Figure 4 is a preliminary detail of how the existing bracing could be reinforced at the first two levels.

Connections:

The connections were analyzed based on the information in the ECS report. The typical shear connections consisted of single plates welded to the beams or girders and bolted to the framing members. These connections were found to be adequate. The moment connections, W21x62 girders to column flanges in the north-south direction, were found to be adequate at the first thru fourth floor levels. However, some assumptions were made for the location of the bolts in the end plate. The bolt locations must be verified to ensure the analysis is accurate. Figure 5 indicates the assumed dimensions of the bolts.

The fifth-floor moment connections were adequate, however, due to the reduced column size at the fifth floor the column failed in shear and would need to be reinforced at all interior locations. A new WT could be welded to the bottom of the existing W21x62 girders and welded to the W14 column – see Figure 6. This would be required at all interior moment connections – 20 locations. If the fifth floor remained office use with only storage below, the columns would not need to be reinforced.



Summary

Based on our findings from the analysis, below is a list of reinforcement/verification required in order for all floors of the building to be used for storage.

- 1. (5) new columns required. (3) from the basement to the first floor and (2) from the basement to the second floor.
- 2. (5) new footings would be required in the basement
- 3. (8) double angle braces would require reinforcing
- 4. Bolt location dimensions must be verified for moment connections
- 5. All interior moment connections at the fifth floor require reinforcing.

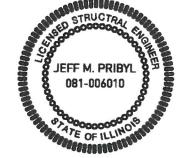
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The analysis was based on the information contained in the existing structural and architectural drawings and a limited field survey conducted by ECS Midwest. SP Engineers assumes no liability for any deviations from the information contained in either the existing building drawings or ECS report.

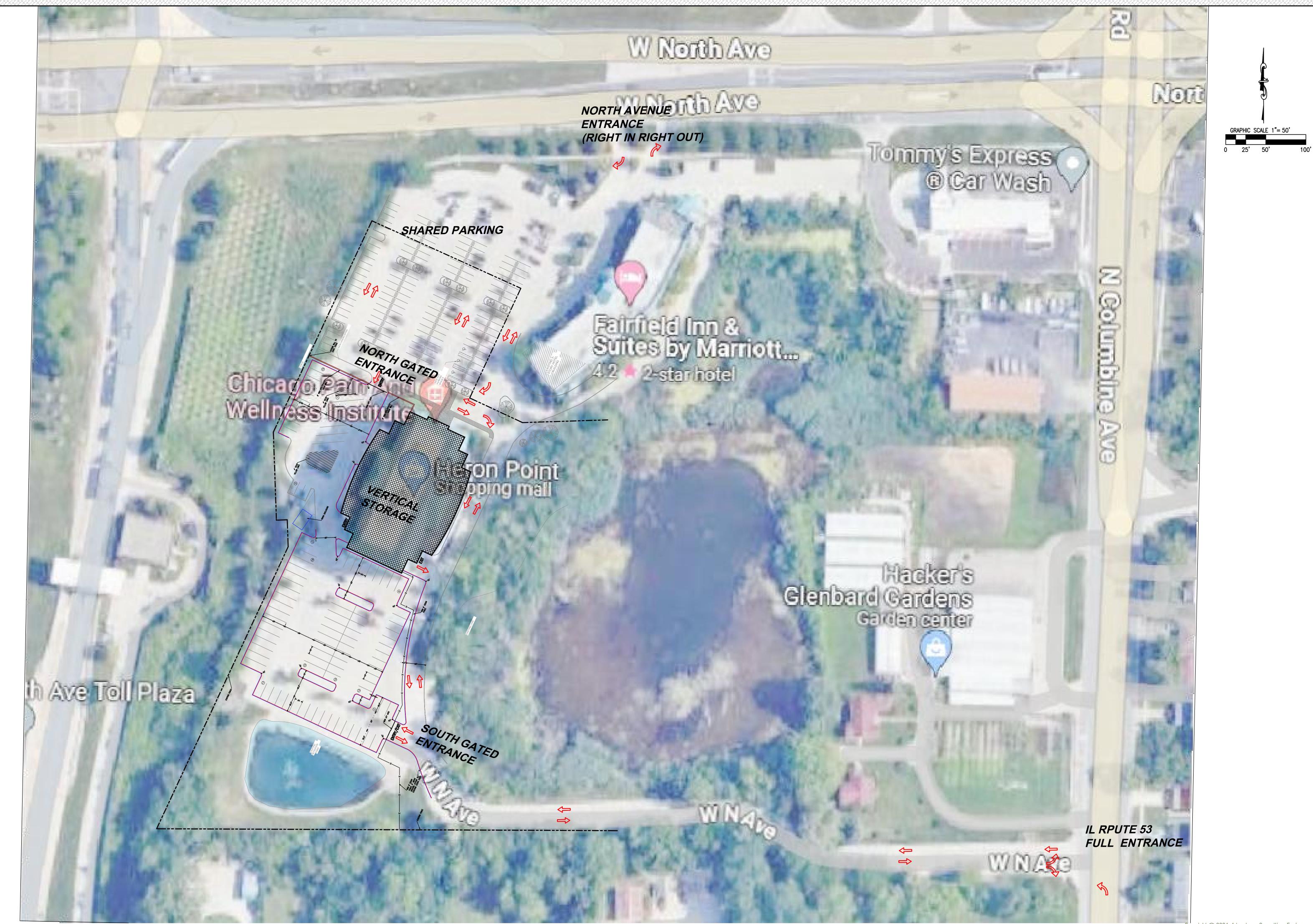
SP Engineers appreciates the opportunity to provide our services. Please contact us if you have any questions or concerns

Sincerely,

SP Engineers, Ltd. Jeffrey Pribyl PE, SE



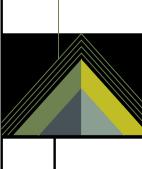




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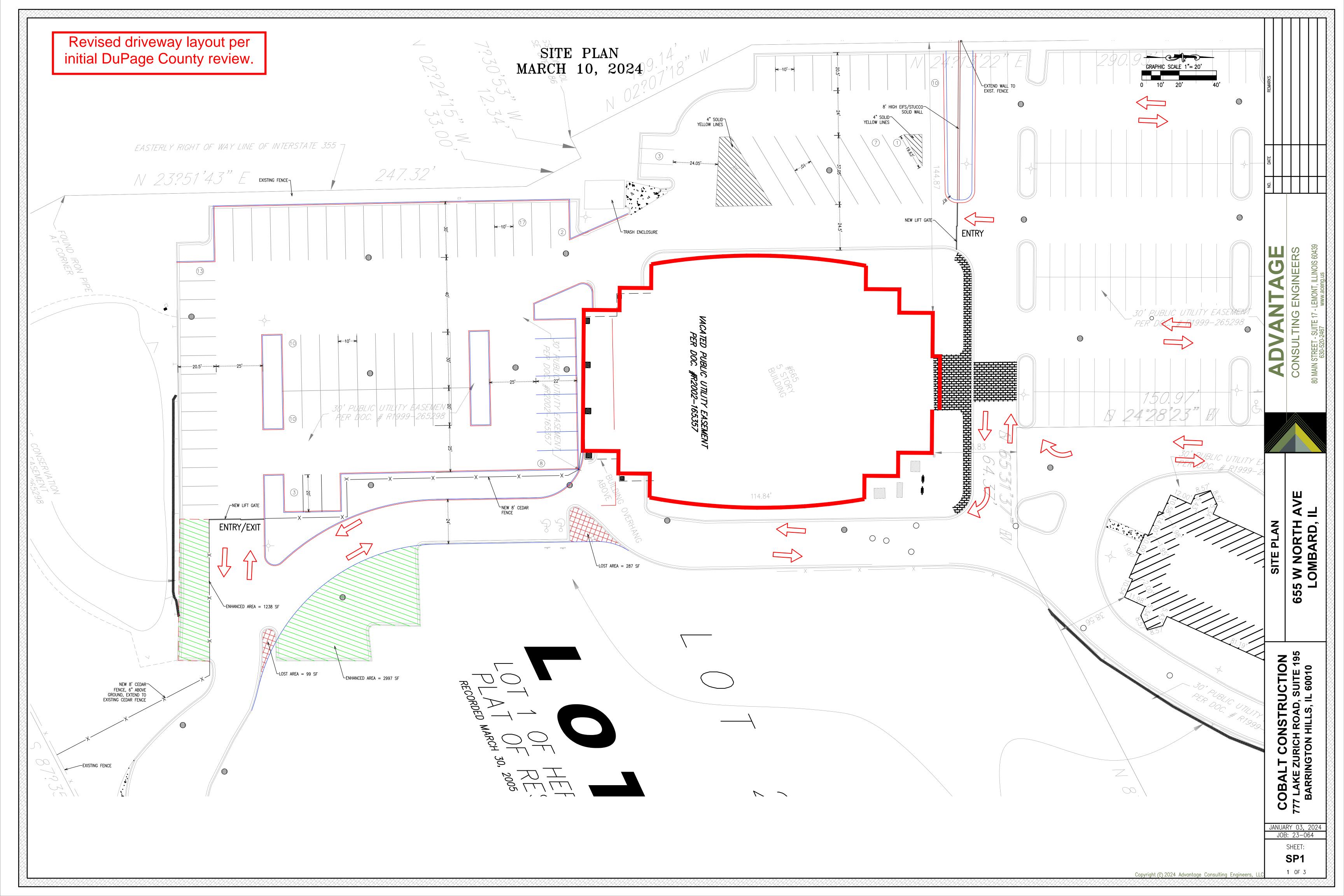


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Petitioner's Proposed Alternate Condition 3

Condition 3: That the outdoor vehicle storage shall be limited to personal vehicles, recreational vehicles (as defined by 625 ILCS 511-169), watercraft, motorboat, sailboat, personal watercraft or specialty prop-craft (all as defined by 625 ILCS 45/1-2) (each a "recreational vehicle"), or any trailer (as defined by 625 ILCS 5/1-209) used to transport or store any recreational vehicle (hereinafter a "trailer"), enclosed cargo trailers not exceeding 30 feet in total length, and small commercial vehicles not over one and one-half tons capacity. Storage of tractors, tractor-trailers, semi-trucks and like vehicles shall be prohibited; storage of shipping containers shall also be prohibited.

(Underlined text is proposed for addition).

Proposed text is indicated in italics. Reference is made to definition of recreational vehicles and trailers noted elsewhere in the Lombard Municipal Code.

Application for Conditional Use for Storage Center Adaptive Reuse 665 West North Avenue, Lombard, Illinois 60148 LSC Development, LLC

Amended Project Narrative

LSC Development, LLC is the "Applicant" for conditional use approval ("Requested Conditional Use") to allow the conversion and adaptive reuse of the existing office building located at 665 West North Avenue, Lombard, Illinois (the "Property") for use as "storage center" as that term is defined in the Village of Lombard's Zoning Ordinance (the "Zoning Ordinance").

Description of the Subject Property

The Property consists of the approximately 10.298-acre site known as Lot 2 in Lot 1 of the Heron Point Plat of Resubdivision. The larger Heron Point development, of which the Property is a part, is generally bounded by West North Avenue on the north, North Columbine Avenue (Illinois Route 53) on the east, low density single-family residential development on the south, and Interstate 355 on the west. The Property is abutted by Lot 1 in Lot 1 of the Heron Point Plat of Resubdivision on its northern boundary (the "Hotel Parcel"). The Property and the Hotel Parcel were developed coordinately and are within and governed by the same planned development.

The Property is currently improved with an existing five-story office building containing approximately 111,000 square feet of gross floor area (the "**Existing Building**"), surface parking, and a detention pond to the south of the Existing Building. The Existing Building was constructed in approximately 2002.

Despite extensive efforts by current ownership to market the space to new users, there is very little demand for office space in this submarket. As a result, the building is approximately 20% leased. Specifically, the ground floor is occupied by three tenants including a transportation/logistics company, a healthcare provider, and a medical office. A portion of the second floor is leased by a national office supply retailer.

Description of the Existing Zoning and Requested Conditional Use

The Property is currently zoned as part of an Office Planned Development District, pursuant to Ordinance 4538, as amended (Ord. 4538 and subsequent amendments are referred to collectively herein as the "Heron Point PD"). Prior to the establishment of the Heron Point PD, the Property was rezoned from the R1 Single-Family Residents District to the Office District. Allowed uses within the Heron Point PD incorporate the permitted use provisions of the Office District. Storage centers are currently not a permitted or conditional use in the Office District. However, concurrent with this conditional use application, the Applicant understands that the Village intends to consider a zoning text amendment to authorize the establishment of

storage centers within the Office District. Therefore, the Applicant seeks to allow a storage center as a conditional use.

Summary of the Proposed Development

The Applicant proposes to (i) convert the Existing Building into a premier, Class A, climate controlled self-storage facility for the storage of non-hazardous goods by individuals and businesses, and (ii) offer exterior storage of motor vehicles within a portion of the existing parking lot on the Property (the "**Proposed Development**"). The Proposed Development will be operated by a national self-storage brand, similar to LifeStorage or Extra Space Storage.

Description of Proposed Conversion/Adaptive Reuse of Existing Building

Initially, the basement and floors two through five of the building will be converted from office to self-storage use. The ground floor will continue to contain office tenants in the interim, as depicted on the enclosed building floor plans. The Applicant has contracted a structural engineer to evaluate the proposed conversion to confirm that the building framing has adequate support or whether the conversion might require an increase in load capacity (the "Structural Analysis"). A memo summarizing the findings of the Structural Analysis is enclosed herewith.

The Proposed Development will be served by an enclosed interior access "drive-through" to facilitate drop off and pick up of storage items by customers of the facility. Two loading areas will be interior to the Proposed Development which will make use of the Existing Building entry as secondary access for customers. The Proposed Development will include a customer lobby area at the north side of the building.

The façade of the Existing Building will remain in its current condition, except with respect to the enclosure of the existing portico at the south end of the building. The building foot print will not change. The area to be enclosed includes approximately 2,718 square feet of building area and will provide a one-way internal drive for use by self-storage customers. The new enclosure will include a modern façade composed of EIFS that will be consistent with the proportions and general color scheme of the Existing Building. The windows on the Existing Building will remain. A new canopy will display brand colors and will provide interest without overwhelming the façade.

The Proposed Development will be open and accessible to self-storage customers from 6 am to 10 pm. The office supporting the storage center will operate Monday through Friday from 8:30 am to 6 pm. The storage facility will be staffed by three to four full time employees including a store manager and two to three assistant managers.

Security is of utmost importance to the operations of a self-storage facility. The Proposed Development will be equipped with a state-of-the-art security system consisting of approximately 30 cameras that will provide 24-hour monitoring. Additionally, energy efficient, bright LED lighting will be installed inside and on the

outside of the Proposed Development. Access to the Proposed Development will be limited to customers in good standing. Customers will have access to the facility via key code or fob. The code or fob will only allow the customer to access the floor for their storage unit. Access control will also permit monitoring of when the customer arrives and when the customer departs from the facility. Should the customer stay on-site for longer than an average customer would normally stay, they will be contacted by staff. The standard lease agreement identifies all the security requirements. Should a customer violate any policy or requirement of the lease, the agreement will be void and they will be denied access to the facility.

Description of Long Term Parking Use

The Existing Building adjoins surface parking lots to the north, south, and west. The existing parking lots to the south and west of the Existing Building will be reconfigured to serve as long term motor vehicle storage ("Long Term Parking Lot"). The Long Term Parking Lot will include a total of 99 striped stalls in the following quantities and sizes:

Total	99 stalls	
10'x30'	32 stalls	
10'x25'	1 stall	
10'x20'	63 stalls	
9'x18'	3 stalls	

It is anticipated that the categories of vehicles that will be stored in the Long Term Parking Lot will include personal vehicles, recreational vehicles, and small commercial vehicles. It is not anticipated that tractors For the avoidance of doubt, "recreational vehicles" includes camping trailers, motor homes, mini motor homes, travel trailers, truck campers or van campers (used primarily for recreational purposes and not used commercially nor owned by a commercial business), boats, and any trailer used to transport any such recreational vehicle. Small commercial vehicles is inclusive of enclosed cargo trailers, not exceeding 30' in length. Tractors, tractor trailers, or semi-trailers wouldwill not be stored at the Property.

The Long Term Parking Lot will be screened with a new complimentary wall and a vehicular gate to provide secured access to the parked motor vehicles. An attractive cedar fence will be installed around the perimeter of the Long Term Parking Lot area to provide further screening and secured access.

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The parking lot to the north of the Existing Building will continue to serve as parking for customers and employees, and will satisfy the minimum parking requirement for the Proposed Development as follows:

Parking Standard	Parking Requirement
Office – 3 spaces per 1,000 sf of GFA	28,682 sf GFA
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Self-storage - 0.05 spaces per 1,000 sf	84,818 sf GFA
of GFA	4 spaces required
Total Required	90 spaces
Total Proposed	111 spaces

Proposed Signage

Conceptual signage is shown on the building elevations submitted with this application. Petitioner notes that the signage is illustrative and not submitted for purposes of seeking approval with this current application. The Applicant intends to submit requests for code compliance approval under a separate and subsequent submittal.

Statement Regarding Outreach and Coordination Neighbors & Tenants

The Applicant met with each of the existing first floor tenants to discuss its plans. All three 1st Floor tenants expressed a desire to stay at the property through the end of their respective lease terms. Fortunately, the Applicant can complete construction without materially impacting these tenants and plans to honor the remaining lease terms. Upon the expiration of the 1st Floor leases in 2028 and 2029 (or sooner if the tenants do not exercise their renewal options), it is anticipated that those spaces will be converted to self-storage, as most of the space on the 2nd – 5th Floors will be leased.

The second floor tenant has transitioned to a remote work model and only several of its employees occupy its office throughout the workweek. The Applicant plans to discuss engage with this tenant in the coming weeks.

The Applicant reached out to and met preliminarily with the owner of the Hotel Parcel at 645 W. North Avenue in early December. Following an initial discussion, the Applicant provided a preliminary site plan and renderings for the project. The Applicant anticipates meeting with the owner of the Hotel Parcel in the coming weeks to discuss the project in greater detail.

Self-Storage Use Considerations Generally

As the Village considers authorizing storage center uses as a conditional use within the Office Districts, it may take into consideration the following community and economic development benefits that might result from such a change to its code:

- Self-storage is an amenity for community and small business operators, in many cases serving as a small business incubator
- Less intense land use
- Mitigate reduced property value (resulting from excessive vacancy)
- Substantial Investment and Aesthetic Enhancement to Aging Structure

Self-storage Use is an Amenity

- The proposed self-storage facility will be an amenity to the area, providing a useful and needed service to individuals, families, and businesses large and small.
- Access to a high-quality and secure storage facility allows businesses to operate and expand. In the same way that co-working spaces provide the launching pad for small office-based companies or start-ups, self-storage facilities serve the same function, providing flexibility and allowing businesses room to grow, be agile, and scale up their operations.
- LSCD's internal market research bears out that there is a need and demand for a modern, high quality self-storage facility in this submarket and at this location specifically. The development team conducted an internal study of supply and demand in the local market. There are no new facilities in the pipeline within four miles of the subject property.
- The national average square footage of self-storage space per capita is approximately ten square feet, which is the baseline from which industry experts determine how much self-storage space the market can absorb. Even when looking at a 3-mile radius, there is less than 4 square feet of self-storage space per capita.
- Self-storage facilities that do exist are predominantly older product, that fail to meet current modern expectations. Fifty percent of self-storage facilities in this submarket were built prior to 2000 (i.e. "gen 1" models, which are outmoded).
- Bottom line: The data indicates that there is unmet demand in the local market, and that establishment of this use would therefore be in the interest of the public convenience.

Less Intense Land Use

- Self-storage is a much less intense land use than what may be permitted in office zoning districts as of right.
- Based on self-storage industry standards, the typical traffic generated by a self-storage facility of this size is only 10-17 cars per day. Compare this relatively low trip generation to the quantity of large trucks and passenger vehicles that accessed the site when it was being used as a distribution facility.

• Bottom line: Self-storage uses generate substantially less traffic volume than would be generated by reactivating the site with, for example, an industrial, manufacturing, wholesale, or distribution use, therefore, self-storage uses are in the interest of the public health, safety, and welfare.

Mitigate Against Lost Property Tax Values

- The development team proposes a substantial rehabilitation of the property. Even though the intensity of the use will go down, the real estate value and taxes will be stabilized as a result of this investment. Mitigating lost value resulting from excessive vacancy is a tremendous benefit to the Village.
- Based on the developer's extensive experience with similar conversion projects in the region, a conversion of vacant office space to self-storage typically has a positive impact on the value of the subject property, and will have no negative or injurious impact on surrounding properties whatsoever. LSC Development developed the Life Storage brand in 2002 and approximately 80% of their developments have focused on adaptive reuse projects, including the Extra Space on Main Street in Glen Ellyn which was formerly a dilapidated 1970's warehouse.

Adaptive Reuse Approach

- The Proposed Development contemplates preserving the Existing Building. The
 use of the building will be converted from exclusively office use to a premier,
 Class A, climate controlled self-storage facility, for the storage of non-hazardous
 goods by individuals and businesses.
- This project contemplates an adaptive reuse of the existing building. This method takes what is great about an existing building that may be nearing the end of its useful life or approaching functional obsolescence, recycles it, and makes it efficient and functional to fulfill modern purposes.
- By repurposing and upcycling existing buildings, developer's generate less waste going to our landfills, save energy, land, and resources that would otherwise be used for the construction of the project. Adaptive reuse is not the easiest and most inexpensive route to development, because working with older structures adds layers of complexity and unpredictability.
- Importantly, the development team has the expertise needed to execute these
 more complex conversions, having completed 38 conversions over the last
 twenty years and winning multiple industry awards for their projects along the
 way.

Conclusion

The proposed self-storage facility will be an amenity to the area, providing a useful and needed service to individuals, families, and businesses large and small. The proposed use will be a less intense land use than what is otherwise permitted at the Property as of right, generating relatively low volumes of traffic compared to heavier industrial, manufacturing, wholesale or distribution uses. Additionally, the substantial investment to the Existing Building will stabilize the real estate value and taxes of the Property.

The Proposed Development will reactivate and adaptively reuse the increasingly underutilized office building with minimal impact to the surrounding neighbors and will provide a clean, safe business that will be a benefit and provide a much-needed service in the area.

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LSC Development, LLC 665 West North Avenue, Lombard, Illinois 60148

Responses to Standards for Conditional Uses Section 155.103(F)(8) of the Lombard Zoning Ordinance

The Applicant states that the requested conditional use will conform to the standards set forth in Section 155.103(F)(8) of the Lombard Zoning Ordinance, as follows:

1. That the establishment, maintenance, or operation of the conditional use will not be detrimental to, or endanger the public health, safety, morals, comfort, or general welfare.

Applicant Response: The manner in which this proposed use is designed and proposes to operate is in furtherance of the public health, safety, morals, comfort or general welfare, and will have no adverse impact whatsoever on the surrounding neighborhood, and will in no way be injurious to property values. The opposite, in fact, is true. The proposed facility will provide a valuable service that is needed and desired. Access to a high-quality and secure storage facility allows small businesses to operate and expand. In the same way that co-working spaces provide the launching pad for small office-based companies or start-ups, self-storage facilities serve the same function, providing flexibility and allowing businesses room to grow, be agile, and scale up their operations.

Rather than endanger the health, safety, morals, comfort, and general welfare, to the contrary, the Proposed Development will provide the Property with safety and security. The facility will be equipped with a state-of-the-art security system consisting of approximately 30 cameras that will provide 24-hour monitoring. Additionally, energy efficient, bright LED lighting will be installed inside and on the outside of the Proposed Development to ensure that the entire site is well lit and provides visitors with a sense of safety and security at all times. Exterior lighting will be thoughtfully designed and controlled to shine away from adjacent properties.

Access to the Proposed Development will be limited to customers in good standing. Customers will have access to the facility via key code or fob. The code or fob will only allow the customer to access the floor for their storage unit. Access control will also permit monitoring of when the customer arrives and when the customer departs from the facility. Should the customer stay on-site for longer than an average customer would normally stay, they will be contacted by staff. The standard lease agreement identifies all the security requirements.

2. That the conditional use will not be injurious to the uses and enjoyment of other property in the immediate vicinity for the purposes already permitted,

nor substantially diminish and impair property values within the neighborhood in which it is to be located.

Applicant Response: The Proposed Development is conscientiously designed to mitigate any detrimental impact whatsoever on surrounding properties. For example, an incredibly thoughtful element of this project design is the interior drive-through component. Customers will enter the Proposed Development one of several secure loading dock entries. Customers will then load and unload their goods in loading areas interior to the building. This design feature protects customers and their goods from the elements, while concealing all loading activities within the building. This proposed configuration buffers surrounding land users from noise and from the operations of the proposed use.

Further, the Proposed Development involves a land use that is much less intense than that which is permitted as of right. Based on self-storage industry standards, the typical traffic generated by a self-storage facility of this size is only 10-17 cars per day, which compares favorably to the high quantity of vehicles that would access the site if the building were to be fully reactivated as an office building, or with future industrial, manufacturing, wholesale or distribution uses. Even though the intensity of the use will go down, the real estate value and taxes will stabilize, which is a tremendous benefit to the surrounding neighborhood and the Village.

That the establishment of the conditional use will not impede the normal and orderly development and improvement of the surrounding property for uses permitted in the district.

Applicant Response: The adjacent properties and those within the immediate vicinity of the Proposed Development are substantially developed and improved. The Proposed will have no negative impact on the normal and orderly development and improvement of other properties in the area. To the contrary, the establishment of the conditional use affords more opportunity to fill this vacant and underutilized site with a use that services day to day needs of households within close proximity to the subject property.

A self-storage facility will be an amenity to the area, providing a useful and needed service to individuals and families as well as small and large businesses alike. The Applicant's internal market research bears out that there is a need and demand for a modern, high quality self-storage facility in this submarket and at this location specifically.

4. That adequate public utilities, access roads, drainage and/or necessary facilities have been or will be provided.

Applicant Response: The Property is currently served by adequate public utilities, access roads, parking, loading drainage stormwater flow paths, exterior

lighting and other necessary facilities. The Property is accessible from public roads that are adequate to serve the traffic demand imposed upon them by the Proposed Development.

Energy efficient, bright LED lighting will be installed inside and on the outside of the Proposed Development to ensure that the entire site is well lit and provides visitors with a sense of safety and security at all times. Exterior lighting will be thoughtfully designed and controlled to shine away from adjacent properties.

The proposed site plan therefore achieves this criterion to serve the proposed self-storage use.

5. That adequate measures have been or will be taken to provide ingress and egress so designed as to minimize traffic congestion in the public streets.

Applicant Response: Adequate ingress and egress and driveways exist to serve the Proposed Development.

6. That the proposed conditional use is not contrary to the objectives of the current comprehensive plan for the Village of Lombard.

Applicant Response: Given the ongoing shifts in the office market, the Proposed Development will further the purposes of the Comprehensive Plan in that it will reactivate a substantially vacant and underutilized building, thereby protecting the stability of the area and furthering orderly and beneficial development in furtherance of the Comprehensive Plan.

7. That the conditional use shall, in all other respects, conform to the applicable regulations of the district in which it is located, except as such regulations may, in each instance, be modified pursuant to the recommendations of the Plan Commission.

Applicant Response: The Applicant's proposal to establish a self-service storage facility at the Property fulfills the objectives of the Village by offering a use that services the community and enhances the general welfare. The proposal will activate and develop a vacant and underutilized site, in a manner that is compatible with surrounding land uses.

Based on the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that the Requested Conditional Use meets the applicable and relevant standards for approval, is consistent with the goals and purposes of Village code and policy, is compatible with surrounding development, and will have no adverse impact whatsoever on surrounding properties.

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