CITY COUNCIL DOWNTOWN DENSITY BONUS REQUEST SITE PLAN REVIEW SHEET

CASE NUMBER:	SP-2013-0454C	CITY COUNCIL HEARING DATE: May 22, 2014 PLANNING COMMISSION HEARING DATE: April, 22, 2014
PROJECT NAME:	5th & West	
ADDRESS:	718 W. 5 th Street	
APPLICANT:	Riverside Resources In Husch Blackwell, LLP. 111 Congress Ave., Sui Austin, TX 78701	
AGENT:	Texas Press Association 718 W. 5 th Street Austin, Tx 78701	n (Michael Hodges)
CASE MANAGER:	Nikki Hoelter <u>nikki.hoelter@austinte</u> z	Phone: (512) 974-2863 xas.gov
URBAN DESIGN STAFF:	Jim Robertson jim.robertson@austinte	Phone: (512) 974-3564 exas.gov

NEIGHBORHOOD PLAN: Downtown

PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION:

The motion to approve staff's recommendation and to include the Capital View Corridor was approved by Commissioner Alfonso Hernandez, Commissioner Richard Hatfield seconded the motion on a vote of 7-0; Commissioner Brian Roark was absent, Commissioner Myron Smith resigned from the Commission.

PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT:

The applicant is requesting administrative approval for the construction of a 40 Story, multi-family residential building, which will include retail on the ground floor, garage parking and streetscape improvements.

PROJECT REQUEST:

- 1. Make a recommendation to the City Council on the use of the other community benefits in accordance with LDC Section 25-2-586(E)(1)-(11) and Section 25-2-586(E)(12(f).
- 2. In accordance with LDC Section 25-2-586(B)(6), make a recommendation to the City Council on a request for additional floor to area ratio (FAR) from 15:1 to 20:1 for a proposed

multi-family high rise project that has participated in the Downtown Density Bonus Program and is processing a request for bonus area up to 15:1 FAR to be granted administratively.

SUMMARY STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Note: Because there are frequent references to LDC Section 25-2-586(B)(3) and (B)(6) and Figure 2 (referenced in (B)(3)), we have attached those pages to this recommendation.

1. <u>Staff Recommendation Regarding Gatekeeper Requirements:</u>

The applicant has provided documentation sufficient to meet the Gatekeeper Requirements contained in Section 25-2-586(C)(1).

- The applicant has committed to providing streetscape improvements consistent with the Great Streets Standards.
- The applicant has committed to achieve a minimum Two-Star rating under the Austin Energy Green Building Program.
- The applicant has provided documentation indicating substantial compliance with the Urban Design Guidelines.

2. <u>Staff Recommendation Regarding Community Benefits</u>:

The applicant seeks a total "Bonus Area" (defined by Section 25-2-568(A)(1) as "the gross floor area that exceeds the maximum floor-to-area ratio allowed with the site's primary entitlements") of 12.0 FAR. That Bonus Area of 12.0 FAR can be thought of as having two parts: (1) the 7.0 FAR between the parcel's primary entitlement of 8.0 and the maximum FAR of 15.0 allowed under 25-2-568(B)(3); and (2) the 5.0 FAR between the 15.0 allowed under 25-2-568(B)(3) and the 20.0 sought for the project as a whole.

The applicant has proposed to achieve the 12.0 FAR of Bonus Area as follows:

- 2.0 FAR: Austin Energy 3-Star Green Building.
- 6.0 FAR: Fee-in-lieu payment of \$499,860 for affordable housing.
- 4.0 FAR: A contribution of \$333,240 towards improvements along lower Shoal Creek.

Thus, the applicant has met the requirement of Section 25-2-586(B)(3)(d)(1) of offering community benefits "above" those offered to achieve the 15.0 FAR allowed in Figure 2.

Staff Recommendation Regarding the Appropriateness of the Project's Proposed 20.0 FAR:

Section 25-2-586(B)(6) does not provide any specific criteria upon which to base a staff recommendation with respect to a request to exceed by 5.0 FAR the maximum FAR of 15.0 identified in 25-2-586(B)(3) and Figure 2. In the absence of specific criteria, staff's recommendation was arrived at as follows.

The Downtown Austin Plan (DAP) embodies two basic concepts pertinent to this analysis.

- On the one hand, the DAP envisions a Downtown with "a dense and livable pattern of development that supports a vibrant day and nighttime environment" (DAP, p. 2), and recommends that the "City should continue to encourage high-density development that contributes to the economic vibrancy of the region and that helps to achieve other Downtown objectives" (DAP, p. 103).
- On the other hand, the DAP recognizes and underscores that "Downtown is not a monolithic or homogenous place," but rather is a series of sub-areas "with different uses and activities, building types and heights and property ownership patterns" (DAP, p. 31).

This dichotomy – reflecting the tension between encouraging Downtown density while honoring the character of different Downtown "districts" – was reflected in the July 2009 "Downtown Density Bonus Program" report, which was the source of the Density Bonus Program and Figure 2. That report identified six "fundamental principles" for a Density Bonus Program, which included Principle 1, "Density Should Be Encouraged" and Principle 5, "Additional density should be allowed only where appropriate and compatible." Figure 2 – the map identifying the maximum FARs and heights that could be achieved within the Density Bonus Program – attempted to strike a proper balance between these two goals, and was the product of substantial community input combined with the urban planning and design judgment of the project team.

Taking the same "balancing act" approach towards evaluating the proposed project at 5th Street and West Avenue, staff took into account the specific location of the project. That location is in a zone identified by Figure 2 as having a maximum administratively-approved FAR of 15.0 Further, that location falls about midway between two adjacent zones containing different FAR maximums: to the west is a zone with a maximum FAR of 5.0; to the east is a zone with a maximum FAR of 25.0. Considering that a project within the 15.0 FAR zone could be administratively granted an FAR of 15.0 immediately adjacent to the 5.0 FAR zone, it would seem logical that a project halfway from that location to the edge of the 25.0 FAR zone might be granted an FAR of 20.0.

Taking all of that into consideration, staff recommends in favor of the request for 20.0 FAR.

By adopting Section 25-2-586(B)(6) the City Council clearly assigned to the Planning Commission the role of providing its own recommendation, and reserved for itself (Council) the right to grant FAR that exceeds the maximum FAR allowed in Figure 2.

SITE AREA	17,685 square feet	.406 acres	
EXISTING ZONING	CBD		
WATERSHED	Town Lake (Urban)		
WATERSHED ORDINANCE	Comprehensive Wat	ershed Ordi	inance (Urban)
TRAFFIC IMPACT ANALYSIS	Not required		
CAPITOL VIEW CORRIDOR	Lamar Boulevard		
PROPOSED ACCESS	West 5 th and West Avenue		
	Allowed/Required	Existing	Proposed
FLOOR-AREA RATIO	8:1	0	0
BUILDING COVERAGE	100%	0	16,335 SF/ 97.9%
IMPERVIOUS COVERAGE	100%	0%	100%
PARKING	184	0	272

PROJECT INFORMATION

EXISTING ZONING AND LAND USES

	ZONING	LAND USES
Site	CBD	Office
North	CBD	Office
South	CBD	Multi-family
East	CBD	Office
West	CBD-CO & DMU	Multi-family and Office

ABUTTING STREETS

Street	Right-of-Way Width	Pavement Width	Classification
W. 5 th			Arterial
West Avenue			

DOWNTOWN DENSITY BONUS PROGRAM APPLICATION- REVISED (SECOND)

<u>PROJE</u>	ECT NAME:	Fifth and West Residences	
<u>SUBM</u>	ISSION DATE:	Original Submission: First Revised Submission: Second Revised Submission:	January 31, 2014 March 19, 2014 April 1, 2014
<u>APPLI</u>	CANT:	Second Revised Submission.	April 1, 2014
	Name: Address:	Riverside Resources Investment Husch Blackwell, LLP 111 Congress Ave., Suite 1400 Austin, TX 78701 Attn: Nikelle Meade	ts II, LTD.
	Phone:	Nikelle Meade: 512-479-1147	
	Email:	nikelle.meade@huschblackwell	.com
PROPI	ERTY OWNER:		
	Name: Address:	Texas Press Association 718 W. 5 th St. Austin, TX 78701	
	Phone:	Michael Hodges: 512-477-6755	
	Email:	N/A	
<u>PROJE</u>	ECT LOCATION:	501 West Avenue Austin, TX 78701	
<u>SITE I</u>	NFORMATION		
	Size: Zoning: Entitlements: Additional Restrictions: Conditional Overlays: Restrictive Covenants:	Residential Design Standards (S None None	latory, Capitol View Corridor, See attached)
	Nearby transit facilities:	See attached bus route map	

BRIEF PROJECT DESCRIPTION (Uses)

Applicant is proposing to build a condominium tower with on-site parking and a pool area for residents.

BUILDING INFORMATION

Total square footage (FAR calc.):	321,811 sq. ft.
Number of units:	162
Number of floors:	39
Height:	430'
FAR requested:	20:1

GATEKEEPER REQUIREMENTS

- 1. Urban Design Guidelines: Applicant submitted a Design Commission project review application on January 29, 2014. The Design Commission's recommendation letter is attached.
- 2. Great Street Standards: Applicant will execute a restrictive covenant committing to provide streetscape improvements along all 5th St. and West Ave. Details of compliance with the great street standards are illustrated in the attached documents.
- 3. Austin Energy Green Building: Applicant will execute a restrictive covenant committing to achieve a minimum three star rating under the Austin Energy Green Building program. Applicant's AEGB Letter of Intent is attached.

COMMUNITY BENEFITS

• Applicant is planning to achieve bonus density by paying 50% of its development bonus fee to the Affordable Housing Trust Fund. The additional development bonus fee will be in the form of Other Community Benefits—(attached).

Density Bonus Calculation

Site Area:		16,662 sq. ft.
Square Foot Cost:		\$5.00/ sq. ft.
Current F.A.R.	8:1	
3-Star AEGB Rating	2:1	
Affordable Housing	6:1	\$499,860
Shoal Creek	4:1	\$333,240
	20:1	\$833,100

RELATE PROJECT TO URBAN DESIGN GUIDELINES (See attached).

PROPOSED COMMUNITY BENEFITS DOWNTOWN DENSITY BONUS PROGRAM

Allocation of Development Bonus Fee				
<u>Bonus</u> Density		<u>Community</u> <u>Benefit</u>	Description	<u>Downtown Austin Plan</u> Urban Design Guidelines
6:1	\$499,860	Affordable Housing Trust Fund	Per Section 25-2-586(E)(1)(b) of DDBP.	
2:1		Green Building	The project will achieve a 3-Star AGEB rating per Section 25-2- 586(E)(8) of DDBP.	<i>Improve Sustainability</i> (Shared Value No. 3 in the UDG)
4.1	\$222.240	240 Shoal Creek Conservancy	Funds will be directed toward flood mitigation and to make other improvements on Shoal Creek from the West Avenue bridge to the West 10th Street bridge. Shoal Creek Conservancy will attempt to form a public/private partnership with the Watershed Protection Department to achieve this goal.	Increase watershed maintenance of Shoal Creek and implement a restoration and flood control plan (UI- 3.1; 3.5; 3.6 of DAP)
4:1	\$333,240		Funds will be directed toward trail improvements to Shoal Creek from the West Avenue bridge to the West 10th Street bridge. Shoal Creek Conservancy will attempt to form a public/private partnership with the Public Works Department to achieve this goal.	Improve Downtown's urban greenways (PR-1.3 of DAP); Encourage public/ private partnerships and conservancies aimed at building and operating parks and open space improvements (LI-1.2 of DAP)

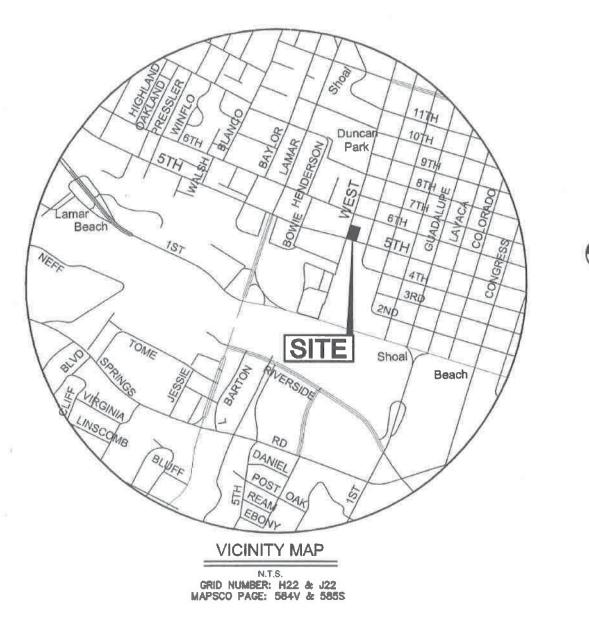
§ 25-2-586(E)(12) Requirements for Other Community Benefits

(b) The Director will consider the following to make a determination:

(b)(i): if members of the general public will be able to enjoy the proposed <u>other community</u> benefit without paying for its access, use of enjoyment. Flood mitigation and trail improvements to Shoal Creek can be enjoyed by the public at no cost.

(b)(ii): if the proposed community benefit will connect to and be accessible from public right-of- way or other publicly-accessible space.	The Shoal Creek Trail is accessible by public right of way.
(b)(iii): if the proposed <u>other</u> <u>community</u> benefit will provide a public amenity that is particularly lacking in the proposed location.	The Shoal Creek suffers from a number of major challenges, including high flood risk. Flood risk is a major concern to residents of the Lower Shoal Creek neighborhood and this community benefit targets that concern. Additionally, Shoal Creek Trail suffers from erosion, graffiti, and vegetative overgrowth, among other issues, which makes it undesirable for recreational use. Improvements to the Trail will help to increase its use by local residents.
(b)(iv): if the proposed <u>other</u> <u>community</u> benefit will impose a significant burden on public resources for maintenance, management, policing, or other reasons.	This community benefit will help alleviate the burden on public resources for maintenance and management of Shoal Creek because it provides private funding for Creek improvements. Additionally, flood mitigation can help to reduce the public resources spent on flood damage.

Fifth and West Residences Vicinity Map







AUSTIN ENERGY GREEN BUILDING Letter of Intent

This Letter of Intent demonstrates the intent of <u>Riverside Resources</u> (Participant's Company Name) to complete the necessary requirements to achieve an Austin Energy Green Building (AEGB) THREE Star Rating for a development / project that requires this rating.

Project Name:	5 TH and West Residential	
Project Address:	718 West 5 th Street, Austin, Texas, 78701	Ĵ
	Riverside Resources	

This Letter of Intent must be included with the Administrative Site Plan application for all projects requiring an AEGB Rating. Signing this Letter demonstrates knowledge of this requirement and the process necessary to achieve an AEGB Rating. For best results, meet with an AEGB representative early in the design process. To achieve an AEGB Rating:

- I. Submit a Participation Request or Completed "Project Team" and "Project Information" Tabs within the AEGB Rating Packet to an AEGB representative prior to or within Schematic Design Phase.
- II. Submit a completed and signed AEGB Conditional Approval with the Building Permit application. AEGB will issue a Conditional Approval upon satisfactory review of the project's construction documents, including plans, specifications, mechanical plans, Manual J calculation (applicable for multi-family and single family projects), and the AEGB Rating Packet.
- III. Schedule AEGB inspections (separate from City of Austin inspections) of the project with the AEGB representative
 - a) After interior mechanical equipment has been installed and prior to installation of insulation.
 - b) At substantial completion of construction.
- IV. Submit a completed and signed **AEGB Final Approval** to receive the Certificate of Occupancy for this project. AEGB will issue a Final Approval upon substantial completion of the project and satisfactory fulfillment of the AEGB Rating, as described in Section 7 of the Building Criteria Manual.

This Letter of Intent is entered into by the parties, acting through their duly authorized representatives, effective as of the later of two signature dates entered below:

PARTICIPANT:
Name: John L. Needham
Signature:
Title: Manager
Phone Number: (512) 476-7806
Date: 3/n/4

AUSTIN ENERGY GREEN BUILDING:
Name: Jeff Wacker
Signature:
Title: AE&B Representative
Phone Number: 512 482 5448
Date: 3/4/13

Mapsco Page: 584V Grid: H22

NOTICE OF CONFIDENTIALITY RIGHTS: If you are a natural person, you may remove or strike any or all of the following information from any instrument that transfers an interest in real property before it is filed for record in the public records: your Social Security number or your driver's license number.

RESTRICTIVE COVENANT

Date:	, 2014	
Owner:	Riverside Resources Investments II, LTD	
Owner's Address:	100 Congress Avenue, Suite 780 Austin, Texas 78701	
City:	CITY OF AUSTIN, TEXAS , a Texas home-rule municipal corporation situated in the counties of Hays, Travis, and Williamson	
City's Address:	P.O. Box 1088 Austin, Travis County, Texas 78767-1088	
Property:	All that parcel of land situated in Travis County, Texas, described in the attached $\underline{Exhibit A}$	
Project:	A residential high-rise and related improvements to be built on the Property and identified as Case 2013-124346-SP in the City of Austin's Planning and Development Review Department	
RECITALS		

- A. Owner is applying for a density bonus under Section 25-2-586 of the Austin City Code (the *Downtown Density Bonus Program*, or "**DDBP**").
- B. Per the Gatekeeper Requirements outlined in Section (C)(1) of the DDBP, the Owner is required to execute a restrictive covenant committing to (1) provide streetscape improvements along all public street frontages, consistent with the standards set forth in the City of Austin Great Streets Master Plan, and (2) achieve a minimum two-star rating under the Austin Energy Green Building ("**AEGB**") program.

C. Owner is seeking to achieve bonus area pursuant to Section (E)(8) of the DDBP by achieving a three-star rating under the AEGB program, and is therefore required to execute a restrictive covenant committing to achieve such rating.

NOW, THEREFORE, it is declared that the Owner of said Property, for and in consideration of the sum of Ten and No/100 Dollars (\$10.00) and other good and valuable consideration paid to the Owner, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, agrees that the Property shall be held, developed, used, sold and conveyed subject to the following covenants and restrictions impressed upon the Property by this Restrictive Covenant for the benefit of the City. This Restrictive Covenant shall run with the Property and shall be binding on the Owners of the Property, their heirs, successors and assigns.

- 1. <u>Site Development Covenants</u>. Development of the Property shall be limited by the following:
 - a. <u>Green Building</u>. The Project must achieve a minimum three-star rating under the AEGB program using the ratings in effect at the time the Project is registered with the AEGB program.
 - b. <u>Great Streets</u>. The Project must include streetscape improvements along the Property's public street frontages, consistent with the standards set forth in the City of Austin Great Streets Master Plan and Great Streets Streetscape Standards.
- 2. <u>Modification and Amendment</u>. This Restrictive Covenant may only be modified, amended or terminated upon the filing of a modification, amendment or termination in the Official Public Records of Travis County, Texas, executed, acknowledged and approved by (i) the Owner, or its heirs, successors and assigns; and (ii) the City. Such joint action shall only become effective after it is reduced to writing and signed by the parties. Notwithstanding the forgoing, this Restrictive Covenant shall automatically terminate and be of no further effect if any of the following events occur:
 - a. the City fails to grant the Project bonus area pursuant to the DDBP;
 - b. the site plan application for the Project is withdrawn, expires or is denied; or

c. there is a change in use (other than specified in the site plan), improvement, or city code which causes the Property to no longer require bonus density.

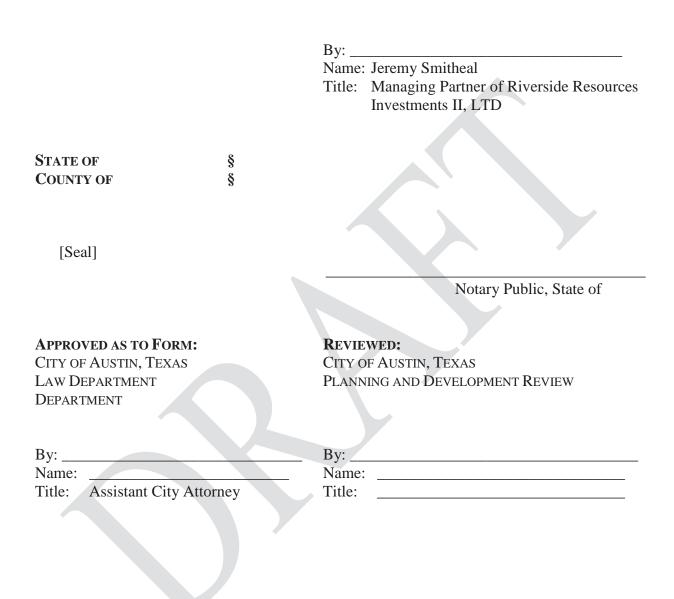
Although it is intended that the foregoing provision for the termination of this Agreement is self-operating, in the event that any of the foregoing events occur, the Owner is entitled, but not required, to record an affidavit in the Official Public Records of Travis County, Texas, certifying that such bonus area was not granted and that this Restrictive Covenant is terminated.

3. **Duration**. This Restrictive Covenant shall be effective in perpetuity, unless modified, amended, or terminated in accordance with <u>Section 2</u> hereof.

- 4. <u>Violation</u>. If any person or entity shall violate or attempt to violate this Restrictive Covenant, it shall be lawful for the City, but no other entity or individual, to prosecute proceedings at law or in equity against such person or entity violating or attempting to violate such agreement or covenant to prevent the person or entity from taking such actions. If the City believes that the Owner has violated this Restrictive Covenant, the City shall give the Owner sixty (60) days' written notice of and an opportunity to cure such violation. During such 60-day cure period, the City may not pursue its remedies. Notwithstanding the forgoing, if the Project achieves a two-star AEGB rating, but not a three-star AEGB rating, then, pursuant to Section (E)(8) of the DDBP, the Owner, or its heirs, successors and assigns, must pay into the Affordable Housing Trust Fund the applicable development bonus fee for the bonus area initially granted for the green building community benefit—which shall be the City's sole remedy.
- 5. <u>No Waiver</u>. The failure to enforce any provision of this Restrictive Covenant at any time shall not constitute a waiver of the right thereafter to enforce any such provision or any other provision of the Restrictive Covenant. A violation of any provision of this Restrictive Covenant shall never be grounds for, nor give rise to the modification, amendment or termination of any provision of this Restrictive Covenant.
- 6. <u>Governing Law; Place of Performance</u>. This Restrictive Covenant and all rights and obligations hereunder shall be governed by the laws of the State of Texas. This Restrictive Covenant is performable in Travis County, Texas.
- 7. <u>Severability</u>. The provisions of this Restrictive Covenant are deemed to be independent and severable, and the invalidity or partial invalidity of any provision or portion does not affect the validity or enforceability of any other provision.
- 8. <u>Entire Agreement</u>. This Restrictive Covenant and the exhibits hereto contain all the representations and the entire agreement between the Parties with respect to the subject matter. Any prior correspondence, memoranda or agreements are superseded in total.
- 9. <u>Counterparts</u>. This Restrictive Covenant may be executed in any number of counterparts which will, together, be deemed to constitute one document.
- 10. **Interpretation**. Regardless of which Party prepared the initial draft of this Restrictive Covenant, this Restrictive Covenant shall, in the event of any dispute, however its meaning or application, be interpreted fairly and reasonably and neither more strongly for or against any Party.

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Executed effective the Date first above stated.



AFTER RECORDING PLEASE RETURN TO:

City Of Austin

___ Department

P.O. Box 1088 Austin, Texas 78767

PROJECT INFORMATION:

Project Name: Project Case Manager: Site Plan No.: Fifth and West Residences Nikki Hoelter SP-2013-0454C

EXHIBIT A

FIELD NOTES DESCRIBING LOT 1 AND THE WEST 57' OF LOT 2 BLOCK 49, ORIGINAL CITY OF AUSTIN, TRAVIS COUNTY, TEXAS, ACCORDING TO THE MAP OR PLAT FILED AT THE GENERAL LAND OFFICE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS AND BEING THAT PROPERTY CONVEYED TO TEXAS PRESS ASSOCIATION IN A WARRANTY DEED RECORDED IN VOLUME 3752, PAGE 575 OF THE DEED RECORDS OF TRAVIS COUNTY, TEXAS, AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED BY METES AND BOUNDS AS FOLLOWS:

BEGINNING at a W' iron rod found in the north right of way line of W. 5th St being the southwest corner of Lot A, of the L.L. & P. S. Hirschfield Subdivision, a subdivision in the City of Austin, Travis County, Texas, recorded in Volume 69, Page 2 of the Plat Records of said County for the southeast corner hereof;

THENCE along the north right of way line of W. 5th Street and the south line of Lots 1 & 2, N 71° 04' 42" W, a distance of 128.32 feet to an "X" set in concrete at the intersection of the east right of way line of West Avenue and the north right of way line of W. 5th Street for the southwest comer of Lot 1 for the southwest comer hereof;

THENCE along the east right of way line of West Avenue and west line of Lot 1, N 19° 01' 13" E, a distance of 129.95 feet to a capped iron rod set in the south line of a 20' alley for the northwest corner hereof;

THENCE along the south line of said alley with the north line of Lots 1 & 2, S 71° 01' 00" E, a distance of 128.32 feet to a $\frac{1}{2}$ " iron rod found at the northwest corner of Lot A, for the northeast corner hereof; from which a $\frac{1}{2}$ " iron rod found bears S 71° 01' 00" E (Bearing Basis), a distance of 148.71 feet;

THENCE along the west line of Lot A and through said Lot 2 S 19° 01' 13" W, (Bearing Basis) a distance of 129.81 feet to the Place of Beginning hereof.

AFFIDAVIT AS TO RESIDENTIAL PARKING RIVERSIDE RESOURCES INVESTMENTS II, LTD.

Date:	April 4, 2014
Affiant:	John L. Needham
Affiant Title:	Managing Partner of Developer
Developer:	Riverside Resources Investments II, LTD
Property:	<u>Address</u> 501 West Avenue, Austin, Texas 78701
	<u>Subdivision Reference</u> Name: Original City of Austin Block: 49 Lot(s): Lot 1 and the West 57 feet of Lot 2

Affiant on oath swears or affirms that the following statements are true and are within the personal knowledge of Affiant:

My name is set forth above as Affiant. In my capacity listed above as Managing Partner of Riverside Resources Investments II, LTD ("Developer"), I am authorized by Developer to make this affidavit. I am above the age of eighteen years, have never been convicted of a felony or a crime of moral turpitude, am of sound mind and am fully qualified to make this affidavit. I have personal knowledge of the facts contained in this affidavit and on the basis of this personal knowledge I attest that:

- 1. Developer intends to build a residential project on the Property.
- 2. Developer is applying for a density bonus under Section 25-2-586 of the Austin City Code (the *Downtown Density Bonus Program*).
- 3. If the density bonus is approved and the project is granted a floor-to-area ratio of 20:1, Developer agrees to comply with Section (B)(6)(d)(iv) of the *Downtown Density Bonus Program* by offering all residential parking spaces separately from the dwelling units.

[SIGNATURES ON FOLLOWING PAGE]

Executed effective the Date first above stated.

Nuc Cl. By

Name: John L. Needham

Title: Managing Partner of Riverside Resources Investments II, LTD.

STATE OF TEXAS	§
COUNTY OF TRAVIS	§

SWORN to and SUBSCRIBED before me, the undersigned authority, on the 4th day of April ______, 2014 by _______, 2014 by _______.

CHRISTINA L. YOUNG Notary Public, State of Texas My Commission Expires March 03, 2017

Notary Public, State of Texas





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Austin Design Commission

To: City of Austin StaffMarch 3, 2014From: Austin Design CommissionRe: Review of W. 5th & West Project for substantial compliance with the
Urban Design GuidelinesMeeting date: February 24, 2014Applicant: Riverside Resources

The applicant is seeking a density bonus to raise the FAR from 8:1, past the allowable 15:1 to 20:1 FAR. The project is in a floodplain and is on a site sized approximately one quarter of a city block.

The applicant reported to have been working with the surrounding community groups to fine-tune the list of community benefits offered in connection with the density bonus sought. This list includes extending Great Streets improvements along both sides of West between 5th and 6th.

Positive attributes of the project address plazas and open space with the green roof deck and contributions to Shoal Creek. Additionally extension of Great Streets improvements is regarded as positive.

Concerns primarily center on the manner in which the building and the spaces within relate to the streetscape on both West 5th and West Avenue. The Working Group discussed possibilities of more engaging building materials and a kiosk type space at sidewalk elevation.

We recommend that the project, as presented, is not in substantial compliance with the Urban Design Guidelines. The floodplain seems to create unique difficulties for the project to address the streetscape as outlined in the Urban Design Guidelines. The project does not substantially meet guidelines of reinforcing pedestrian activity, enhancing the streetscape, , and providing pedestrian oriented uses at street level.

The Commission requests that Riverside Resources modify the design's interface with the public streetscape in such a way that the design provide for infrastructure which would support public uses in the spirit of the Great Streets program so as to activate the pedestrian realm. Infrastructural improvements should include, but not be limited to, provision for uses that would accommodate and encourage an animated public realm in which elements such as: pedestrian-scaled lighting in the areas in front of the proposed development, along with seating, together with sales kiosks, be designed to be compatible with the architectural character of the project. It is the sense of the Design Commission that if these criteria are met, then substantial compliance could be achieved.

Respectfully,

Dean Almy, Chair City of Austin Design Commission

Response to Design Commission Recommendations

Kiosk on sidewalk	The project will include a retail kiosk on the 5 th Street sidewalk, which will be operated by a third party. Because the kiosk will be located on the sidewalk, Riverside will seek necessary City approvals including a license agreement, or, if available, a permit for the kiosk and seating area to be located in the right of way. This kiosk will cater to pedestrians and activate the sidewalk. Example of a sidewalk kiosk is attached.
Seating on sidewalk	The retail kiosk will also be accompanied by café style tables and chairs on the sidewalk to be used by pedestrians and patrons of the sidewalk kiosk.
Programmatic and pedestrian-scaled lighting	Along with activating the street with a retail kiosk and outdoor seating the project will also consist of a variety of energy efficient pedestrian scaled fixtures. These will include in-grade accent lights, a variety of small bollard lights, and soft lights to accentuate the landscape design. The lower portion of the building will include some signature lighting to highlight architectural features without polluting the sky with an abundance of light.





MEMORANDUM

TO:	Greg Guernsey Director, Planning & Development Review Department
FROM:	Michael Knox Executive Liaison, Downtown Commission
DATE:	April 6, 2014
RE:	Downtown Commission Recommendation on Fifth and West Residences Downtown Density Bonus Program Application

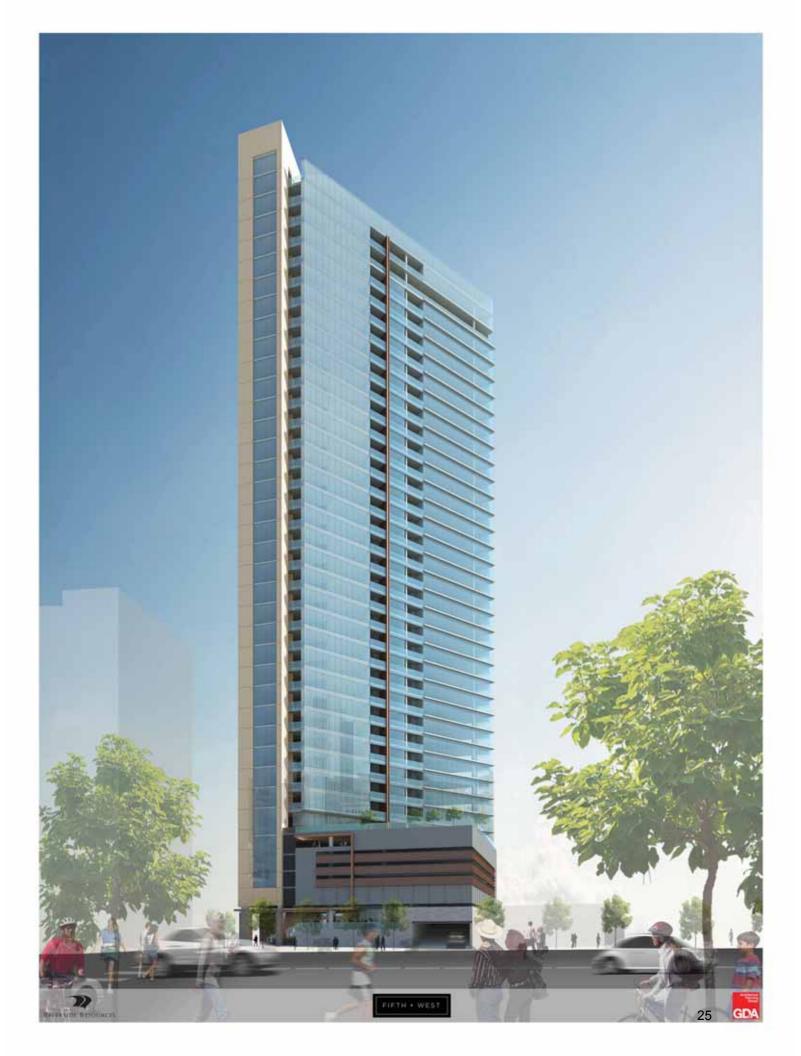
At the March 19, 2014 meeting of the Downtown Commission, the Commission voted 6-2 to recommend the proposed increase in FAR from 8:1 to 20:1, with a caveat that community benefits should be a continuing benefit as opposed to a one-time membership.

Sincerely,

Michael R. Knox

Michael Knox Executive Liaison, Downtown Commission











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> 5th and West Austin, TX



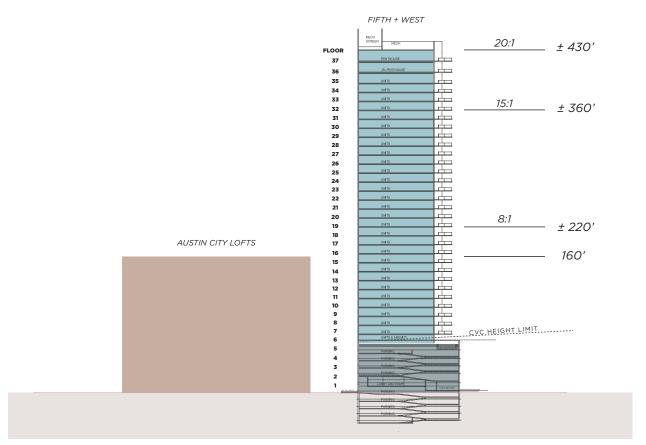








SECTION VIEW





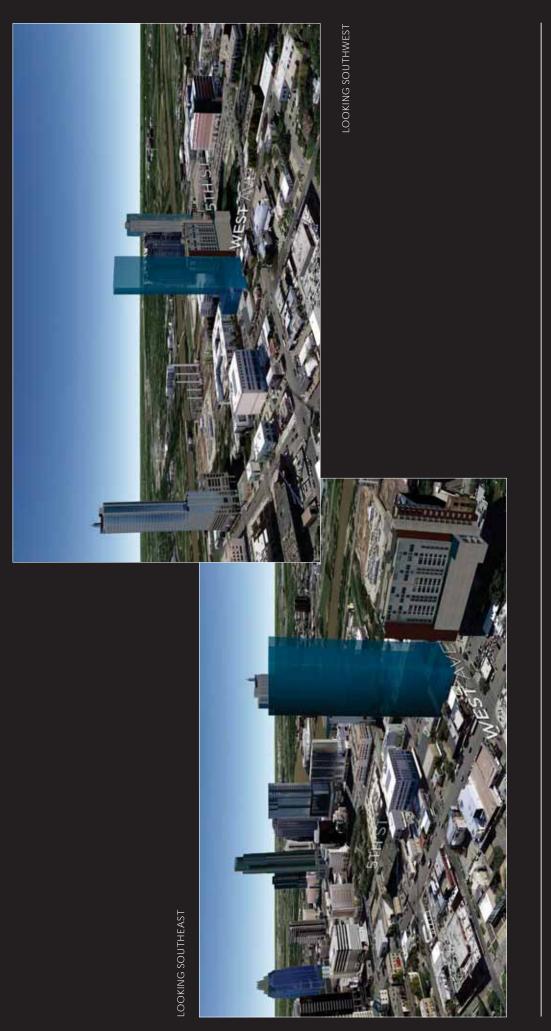
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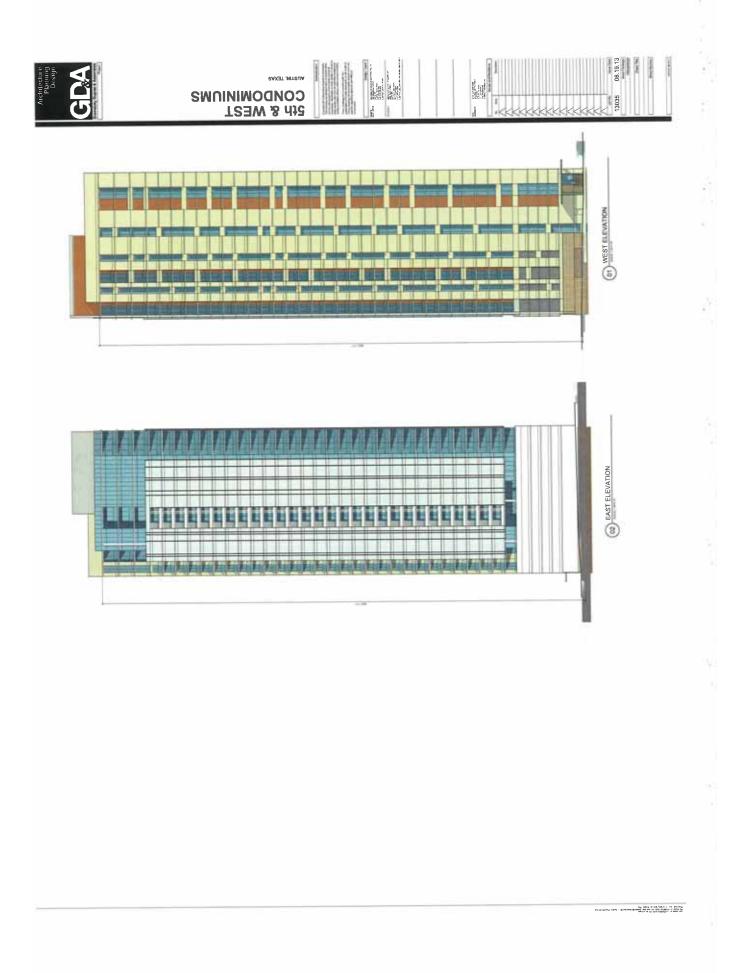
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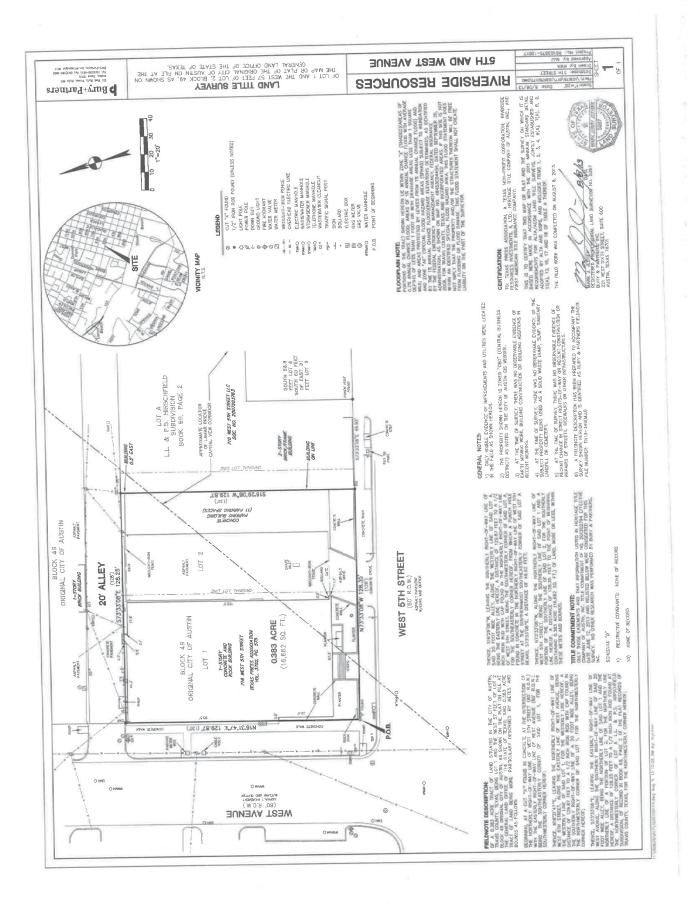
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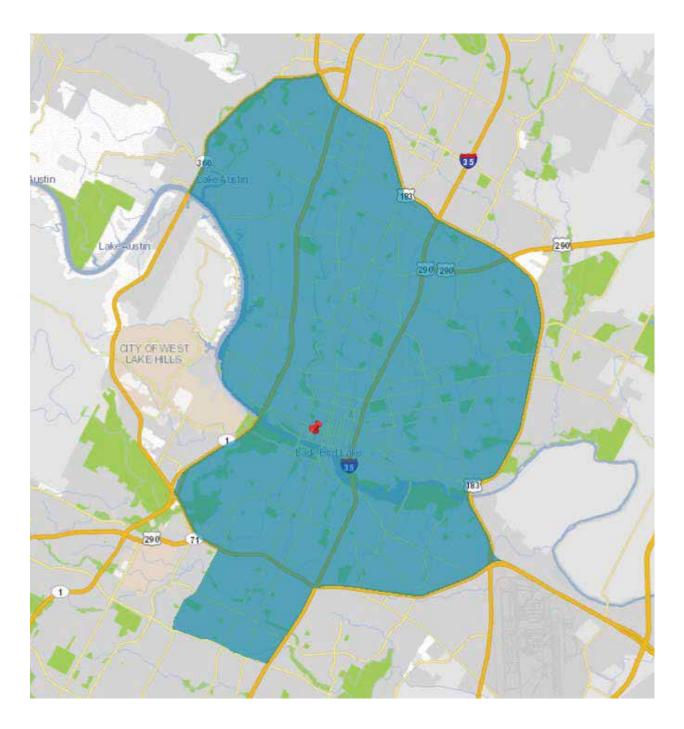


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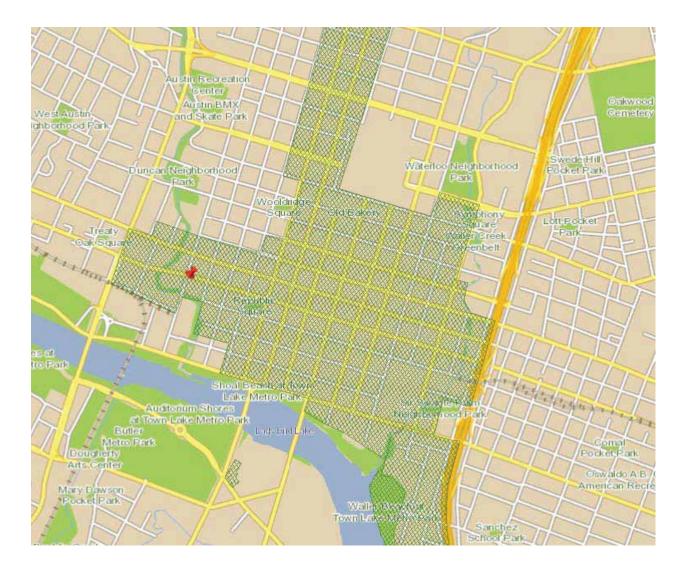








Fifth and West Residences Green Building Overlay



URBAN DESIGN GUIDELINES

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Guideline	Achieved?	<u>Notes</u>
AW-1: Create dense development	Х	20:1 FAR
AW-2. Create mixed-use development		Small lot; burdened by floodplain
AW-3. Limit development which closes downtown streets	Х	Project does not close any streets or alleys
AW-4. Buffer neighborhood edges	N/A	No adjacent neighborhood streets
AW-5. Incorporate civic art in both public and private development		Proposed mitigation: none
AW-6. Protect important public views	Х	Complies with Capitol View Corridor
AW-7. Avoid historical misrepresentations	Х	Does not mimic past architectural style
AW-8. Respect adjacent historic buildings	N/A	No adjacent historic buildings
AW-9. Acknowledge that rooftops are seen from other buildings and the street	Х	Mechanical equipment screened on roof; pool deck on roof of parking garage
AW-10. Avoid the development of theme environments	Х	Project is not a theme environment
AW-11. Recycle existing building stock		Proposed mitigation: none
Public	Streetscape G	luidelines

<u>Public</u>	<u>: Streetscape G</u>	uidelines
Project	meets 11 of app	licable 12
Guideline	<u>Achieved?</u>	Notes
PS-1. Protect the pedestrian where the building meets the street	Х	Clear sidewalk; not interrupted by columns
PS-2. Minimize curb cuts	Х	Only one curb cut on each street
PS-3. Create a potential for two-way streets	Х	Parking garage entrances/ exits designed for two-way street use
PS-4. Reinforce pedestrian activity	Х	Coffee kiosk on 5 th Street; Great Streets streetscaping on 5 th St. and West Ave. and outdoor living room and terrace will improve the pedestrian experience in the neighborhood and support nearby retail
PS-5. Enhance key transit stops	N/A	No transit stops on the property

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PS-6. Enhance the streetscape	Х	Great Streets streetscaping on 5 th St. and West Ave.
PS-7. Avoid conflicts between pedestrians and utility equipment	Х	Upgrading power poles; no utility boxes mounted on low poles
PS- 8. Install street trees	Х	Great Streets streetscaping on 5 th St. and West Ave.
PS- 9. Provide pedestrian-scaled lighting	Х	Great Streets streetscaping on 5 th St. and West Ave.
PS- 10. Provide protection from cars/promote curbside parking	Х	Trees and benches on sidewalks offer protection
PS-11. Screen mechanical and utility equipment	Х	All mechanical equipment is screened; dumpsters are hidden within the building; parking garage will be screened similar to the Whitley (photos attached)
PS-12. Provide generous street-level windows		Street level windows are prohibited by 25-year flood plain regulations
PS-13. Install pedestrian-friendly materials at street level	Х	Masonry; variety of colors and textures

	Building Guide	lines
Proje	ect meets 6 of ap	plicable 7
Guideline	<u>Achieved?</u>	Notes
B-1. Build to the street	Х	Built to the property line
B- 2. Provide multi-tenant, pedestrian-oriented development at the street level		Proposed mitigation: coffee kiosk on 5 th Street; extend streetscape improvements; outdoor terrace and living room
B-3. Accentuate primary entrances	Х	Entry is accentuated with monumental outdoor steps, a canopy, terraced planting, and water features
B- 4. Encourage the inclusion of local character	Х	Locally sourced materials for indoor and exterior use
B- 5. Control on-site parking	Х	Partly underground parking; headlights are hidden; cars not visible from street; Car2Go memberships for residents
B- 6. Create quality construction	Х	Reinforced concrete frame; masonry; architectural metal panel systems; glass and aluminum window wall systems
B-7. Create buildings with human	Х	Multi-level building; terrace and outdoor

Multi-level building; terrace and outdoor Х living room on first level

Plaza and Open Space Guidelines Project meets 2 of applicable 3

scale

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Guideline	Achieved?	<u>Notes</u>
PZ-1. Treat the four squares with special consideration	N/A	Property does not face a public square
PZ- 2. Contribute to an open space network	Х	Donation to Shoal Creek Conservancy will in part be used to enhance accessibility of Shoal Creek
PZ- 3. Emphasize connections to parks and greenways	N/A	Property is not adjacent to a park or greenway
PZ- 4. Incorporate open space into residential development (pool, deck, dog area)	Х	5 th floor pet deck; 6 th floor pool and amenity terrace
PZ- 5. Develop green roofs		Proposed mitigation: 3-Star AEGB rating; high efficiency mechanical system; high efficiency light fixtures; elective vehicle charging stations
PZ- 6. Provide plazas in high use areas	N/A	Project is not an urban plaza
PZ- 7. Determine plaza function, size, and activity	N/A	Project is not an urban plaza
PZ- 8. Respond to microclimate in plaza design	N/A	Project is not an urban plaza
PZ- 9. Consider views, circulation, boundaries, and subspaces in plaza design	N/A	Project is not an urban plaza
PZ- 10. Provide an appropriate amount of plaza seating	N/A	Project is not an urban plaza
PZ- 11. Provide visual and spatial complexity in public spaces	N/A	Project is not an urban plaza
PZ- 12. Use plants to enliven urban spaces	N/A	Project is not an urban plaza
PZ-13. Provide interactive civic art and fountains in plazas	N/A	Project is not an urban plaza
PZ- 14. Provide food service for plaza participants	N/A	Project is not an urban plaza
PZ- 15. Increase safety in plazas through wayfinding, lighting, & visibility	N/A	Project is not an urban plaza
PZ- 16. Consider plaza operations and maintenance	N/A	Project is not an urban plaza

Total number of Urban Design Guidelines: 47 Number of Guidelines applicable to Fifth and West Residences: 31 Number of Guidelines met by Fifth and West Residences: 25





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	5 Stars	75 points or more

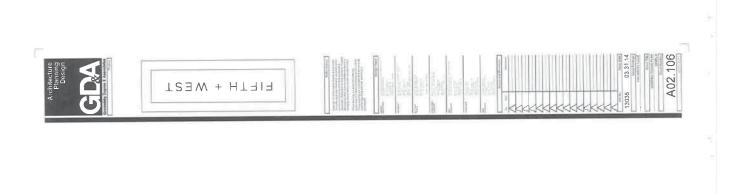
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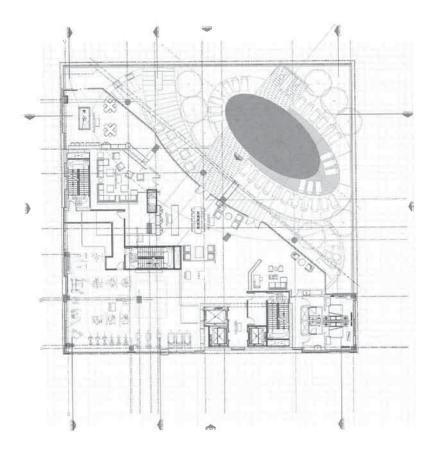
MEASURE	POINTS AVAILABLE	YES	MAYBE	NO	NOTES	RESPONSIBLE PARTY
BASIC REQUIREMENTS						
1. Plans & Specifications	Req'd	YES			Plans must be approved by AEGB for building permit application	GDA
2. Current Codes & Regulations	Req'd	ΥES				
3. Building Systems Commissioning	Req'd	YES				
4. Building Energy Performance	Req'd	ΥES				
5. Outdoor Water Use Reduction	Req'd	YES				
6. Indoor Water Use Reduction	Req'd	ΥES				
7. Low-Emitting Materials - Interior Paints & Coatings	Req'd	YES				
8. Storage & Collection of Recyclables	Req'd	YES				
9. Construction Waste Management	Req'd	ΥES				
INTEGRATED DESIGN						
1. Integrated Project Design	2		2		Perform energy and water related analysis to inform team on natural environment impact while preparing Owner's Project Requirments and Basic of Dasion Defer to have 10 of Guide	
INTEGRATED DESIGN SUBTOTALS	SUBTOTALS	0	2	0		
SITE						
1. Environmental Sensitivity	2	2			Points for redevelopment instead of building on new site	
2. Desired Development	2	2			Site is located within Urban watershed Desired Development Zone	

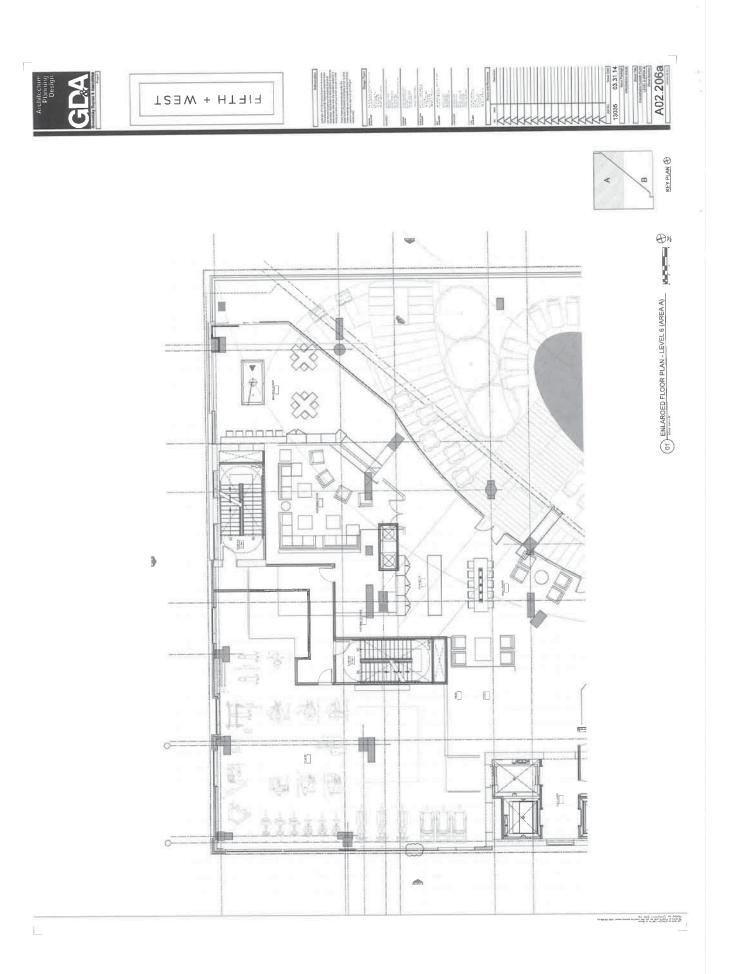
MEASURE	POINTS AVAILABLE	YES	MAYBE	NO	NOTES	RESPONSI BLE PARTY
3. Density	2	2				
4. Diverse & Walkable Communities	1	-				
5. Brownfield Redevelopment	-		-		Site would need Phase II showing actionable pollution - not just suspected.	
6. Site Specific Design	-	1				
7. Public Transportation	1-3	m				
8. Bicycle Use	-	~				
9. Parking Capacity	1		-		20% less parking than the minimums per Land Development Code Chapter 25-6 Appendix A-1	
10. Electric Vehicle Charging Station	1				Charging stations to be install for this point	
11. Protect & Restore Habitat	1				Would need to add 30% of site area as green area with native or adapted vegetation plants.	
12. Beneficial Open Space	1				30% site area for commual area	
13. Access to Local & Regional Produce	-		-		Partnership with local produce company	
14. Heat Island Reduction	1	-			Covered parking gets this point	
15. Light Pollution Reduction	1		-		Possible point for not providing up-lighting fixtures exceeding 50 watts each	
16. Integrated Pest Management	1		1		Property Management to ensure they control with least toxic methods.	
SITE S	SITE SUBTOTALS	13	∞	0		
ENERGY						
1. Building Energy Performance	1-16	3			Assuming 10% reduction. Whitley started out as 14%, but ended up at 6%. Need to manage insulation, glass and equip selections	
2. Renewables	1-4			1	Need to generate 1% renewable electricity with solar or wind on highrise	
3. Additional Commissioning	1-3	ę			To be provided	
4. Advanced Energy Metering	1		1		Need recording meters for all units and base building	
5. Demand Response	7		7		Enroll in program to shed 20% or at least 20KW. May be achievable by shutting off common area lighting	
6. Green Energy	2		2		Available if necessary	

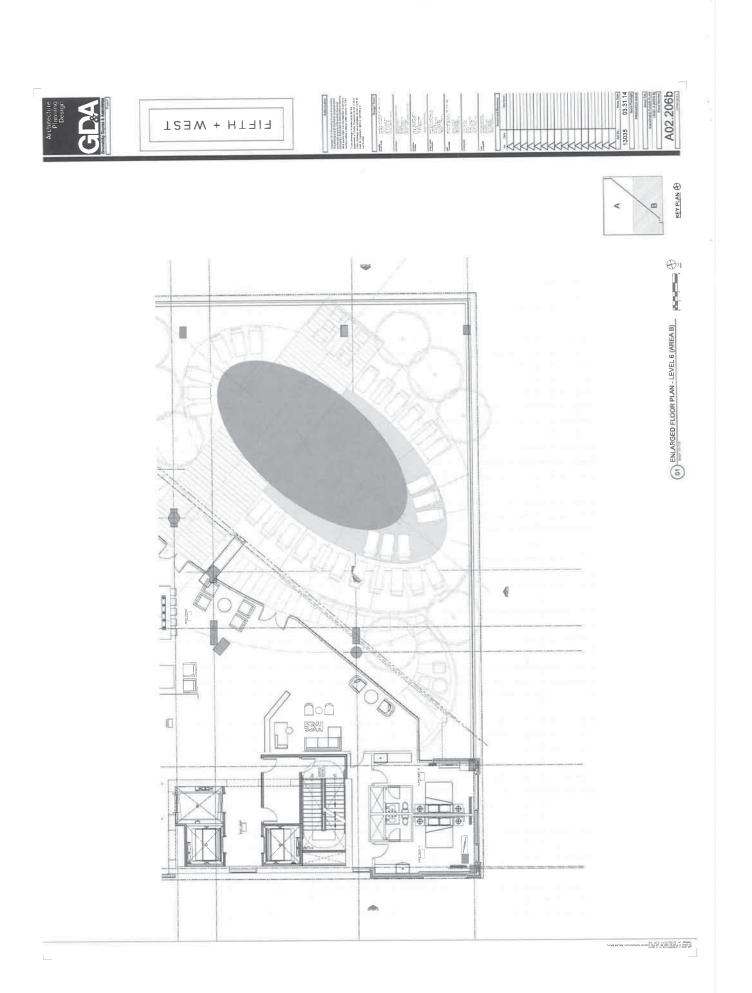
MEASURE	POI NTS AVAI LABLE	YES	MAYBE	NO	NOTES	RESPONSIBLE PARTY
7. District Cooling	1		1		To be determined	
ENERGY S	ENERGY SUBTOTALS	6	6	1		
WATER						
1. Outdoor Water Use Reduction	1-3		3		No irrigation is 3 points, 50% reduction is 1 point	
2. Building Water Use Reduction	1-6		9		6 points if the fixture list includes WC 1.28gpf, bathroom and kitchen faucets 2.2gpm and shower 2.5gpm	
3. Process Water Use Reduction	1-2		7		Energy star rated clothes washer, and compliant cooling tower if no district chilled water.	
4. Stormwater Management	1-2		2		Treat (sand oil separator) or capture (green roof) 50% of storm water volume.	
WATER S	WATER SUBTOTALS	0	13	0		
INDOOR ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY (IEQ)						
1. Indoor Chemical & Pollutant Source Control	1		1		exhaust janitor, chemical closets.	
2. Green Housekeeping	-		-		hepa filters on vacums, less than 70bD motors, non-toxic chemicals	
3. Daylighting - Design	-		-		Daylight provides between 25 and 300FC from 9am to 3pm June 21 for 75% of the regularly occupied space.	
4. Daylighting - Controls	1			1		
5. Views to the Outside	1		1		75% regularly occupied space has view to outdoors between 2'6" to 7'6"	
6. Individual Controllability	٢	1				
7. Low-Emitting Materials						
Interior Sealants & Adhesives		1				
Flooring Systems			-		achievable with carpet and vinyl	
Composite Wood & Agrifiber Products				-		
Insulation	1-5	1			no formaldehyde	
Ceiling & Wall Systems			-		all drywall must meet California Dept of Public Health Standard v1.1- 2010	
Furniture						
Exterior Applied Products			-			

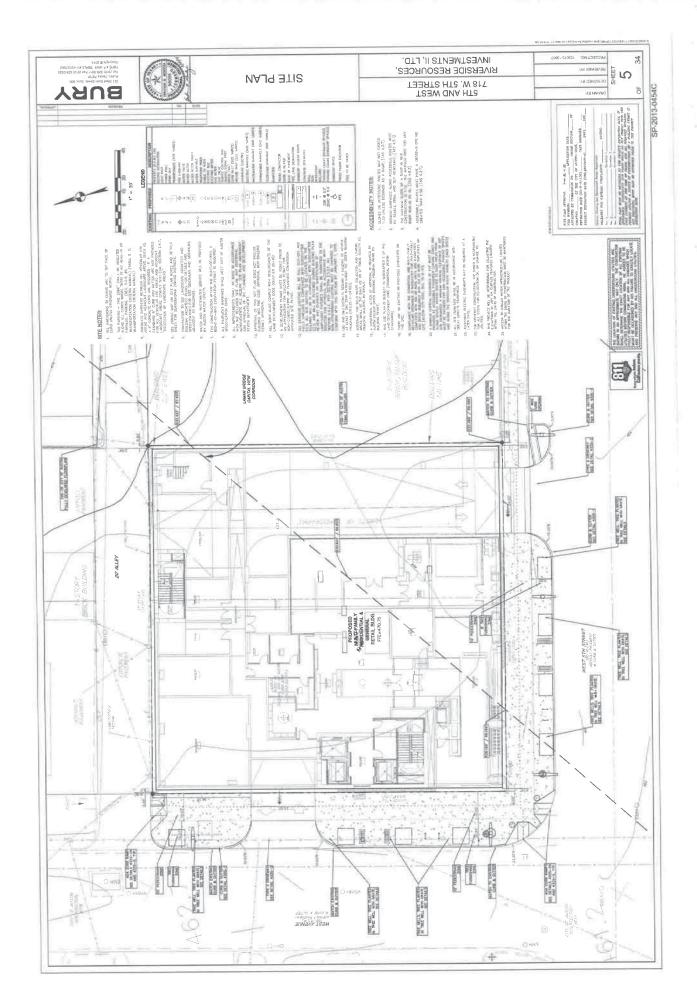
MEASURE	POINTS AVAILABLE	YES	MAYBE	NO	NOTES RESPONSIBLE PARTY
8. Moisture Protection	1		1		No interior vinyl, install effective building envelope, design building to be positively pressurized at all times.
9. Acoustic Quality	1		٣		interior noise must not exceed 45dBA or 70dBC
10. Outdoor Pollutant Control	-		-		10" Walk-off matts at all entrances, including garage, and prohibited smoking
11. Construction Indoor Air Quality	1		1		During construction, need photos, MERV filters, showing protection of all finishes and equipment.
IEQ	IEQ SUBTOTALS	3	11	3	
MATERIALS & RESOURCES					
1. Additional Construction Waste Management	-		-		divert 75% by weight from landfill. Met this with demolished building. Diverted concrete, offset drywall to landfill
2. Building Materials Use Reduction	1-3		ę		Can achieve this with a life cycle cost analysis comparing your new building to a reference building.
3. Sustainably Sourced Material	1-6	ю	ę		Steel, stone and concrete helped with this point
4. Certified Wood	-		-		
5. PVC & Phthalate Free Material	1		٣		
MATERIALS & RESOURCES SUBTOTALS	SUBTOTALS	ĸ	6	0	
EDUCATION & EQUITY					
1. Educational Outreach	Ν		0		
2. Construction Worker Equity	-			~	
EDUCATION & EQUITY SUBTOTALS	SUBTOTALS	0	2	۲	
INNOVATION					
1. Innovation #1	1	1			public transportation
2. Innovation #2	1	1			waste diversion with compost or recycling
3. Innovation #3	-	-			extra bicycle storage
4. Innovation #4	1	1			additional green energy for \$1,000
5. Innovation #5	-				to be determined.
I NNOVATION SUBTOTALS	SUBTOTALS	4	0	0	
GRAND TOTAL POINTS	100	29	51	5	

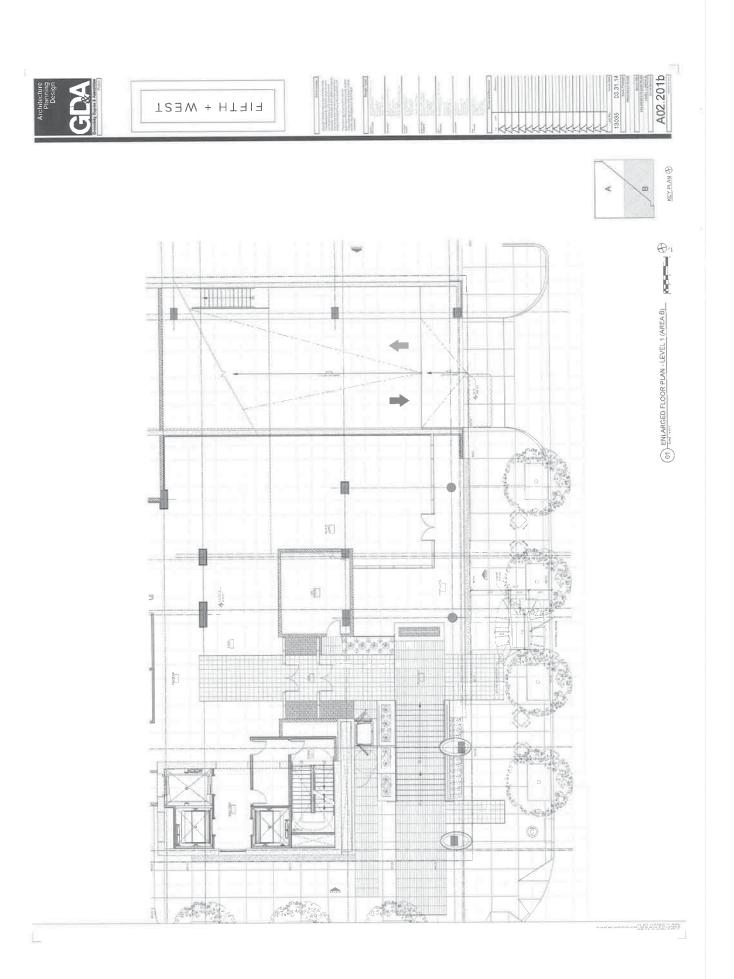


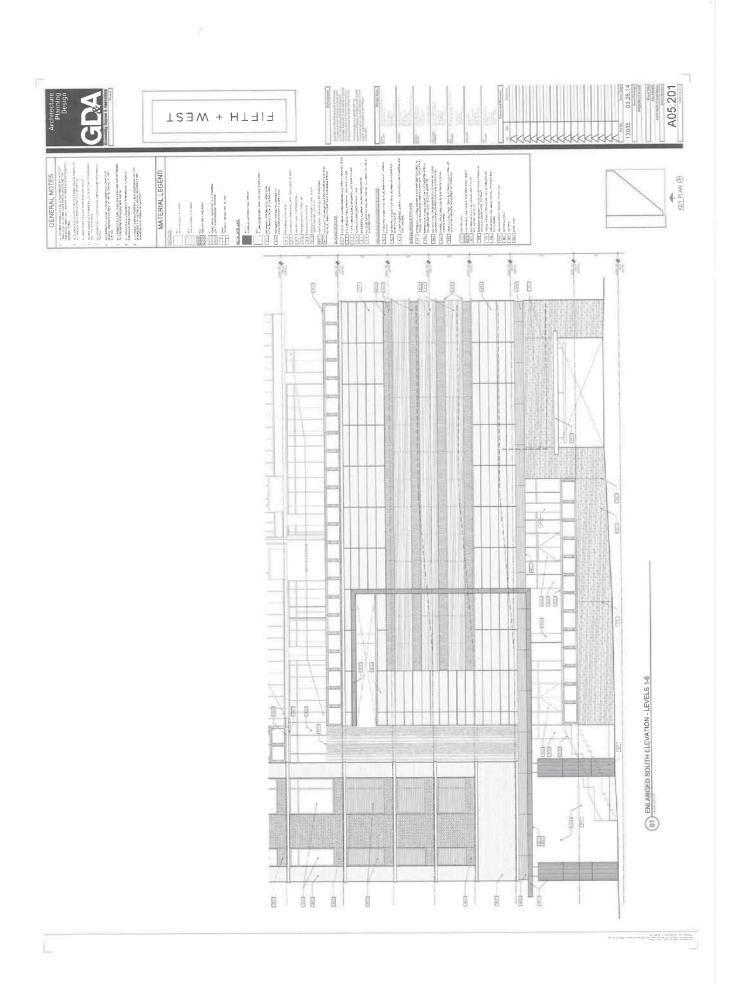


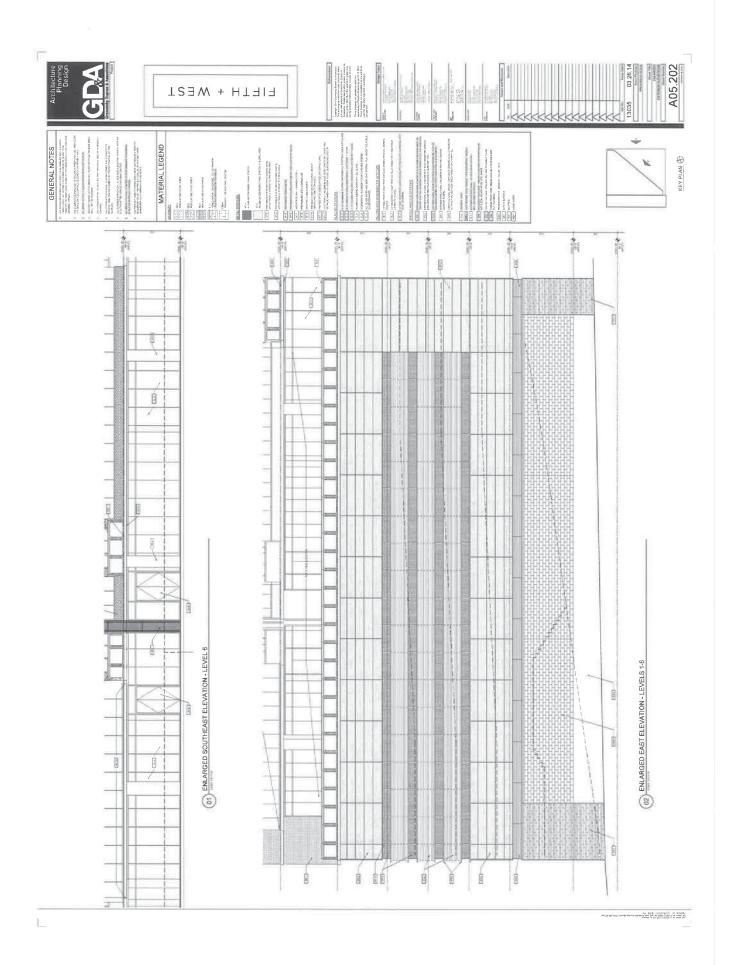


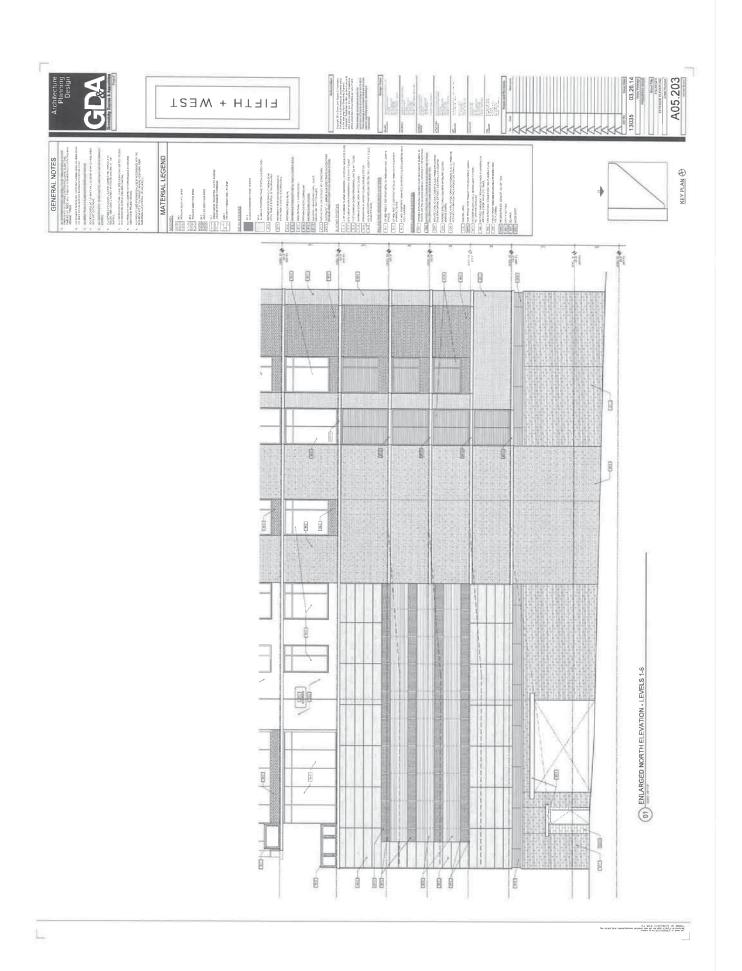


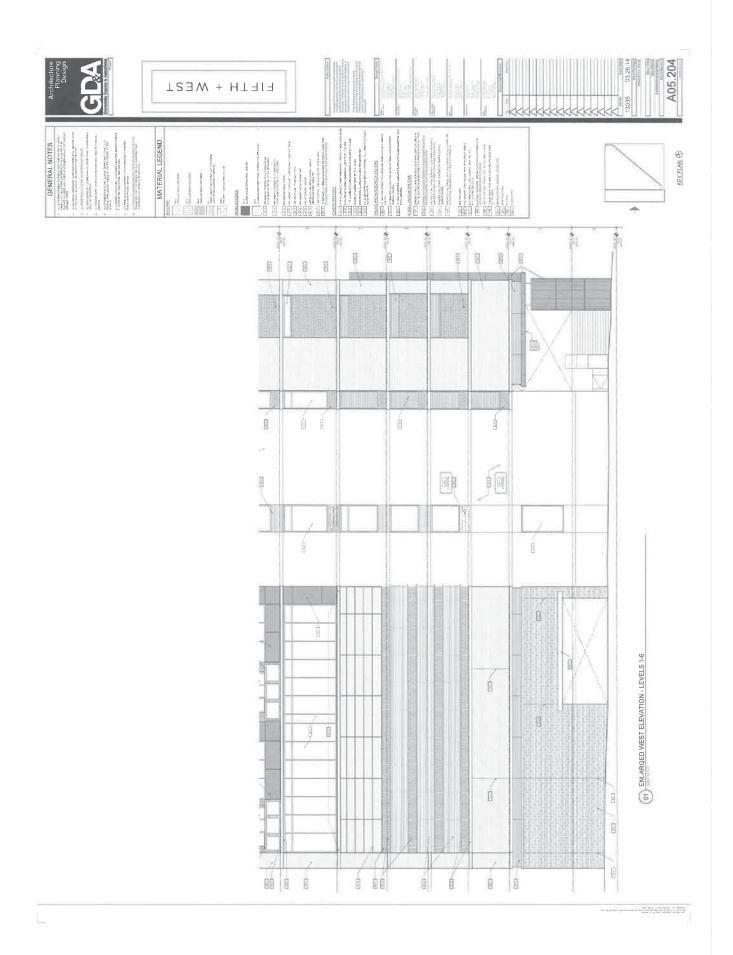


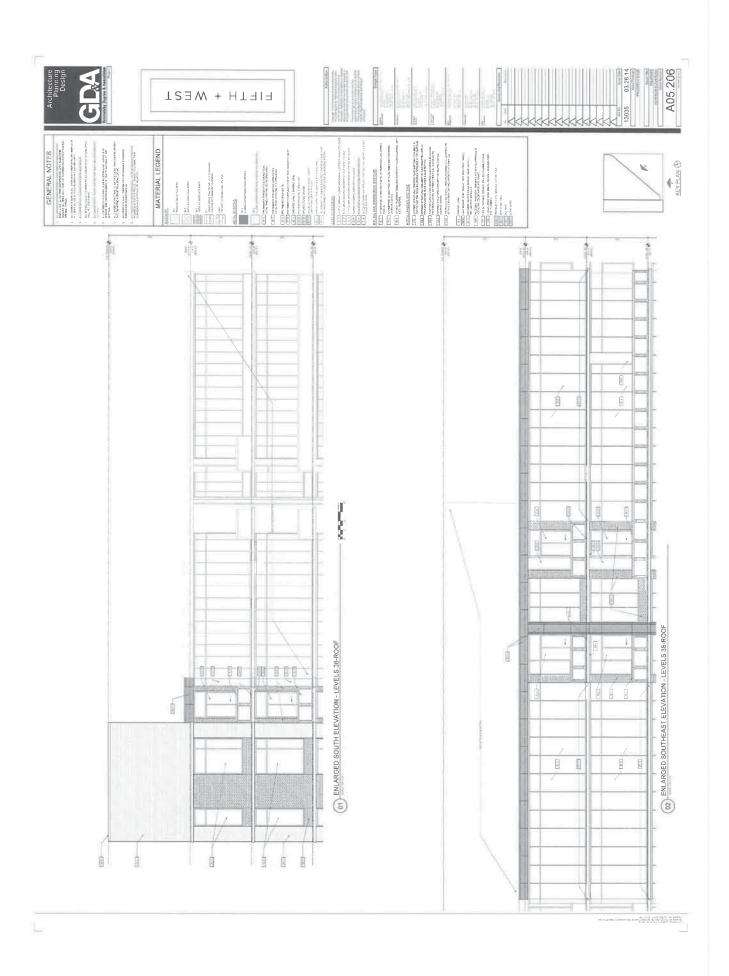


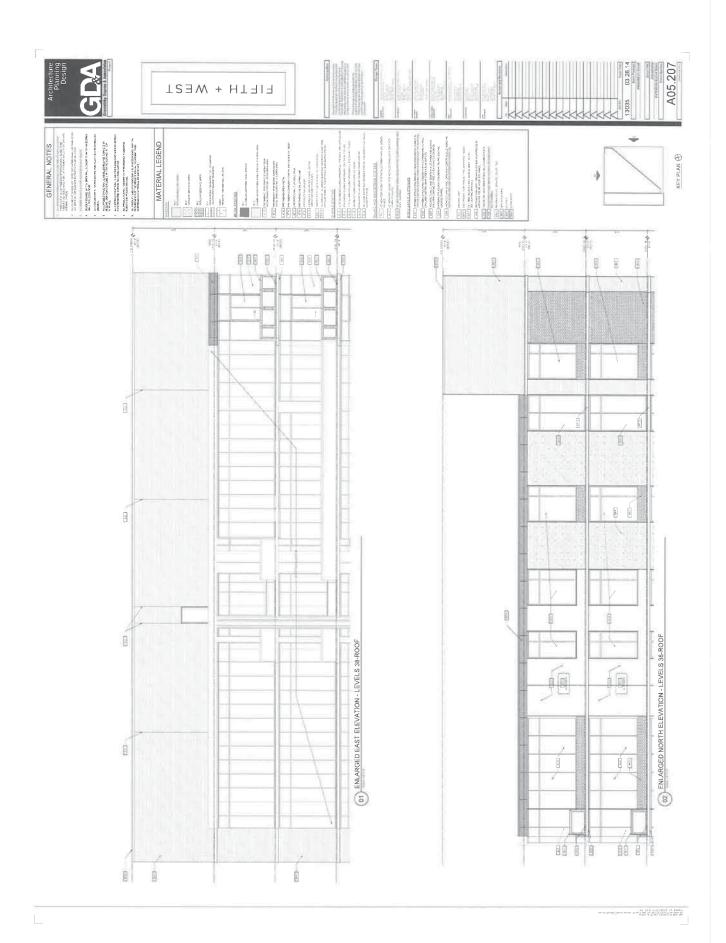


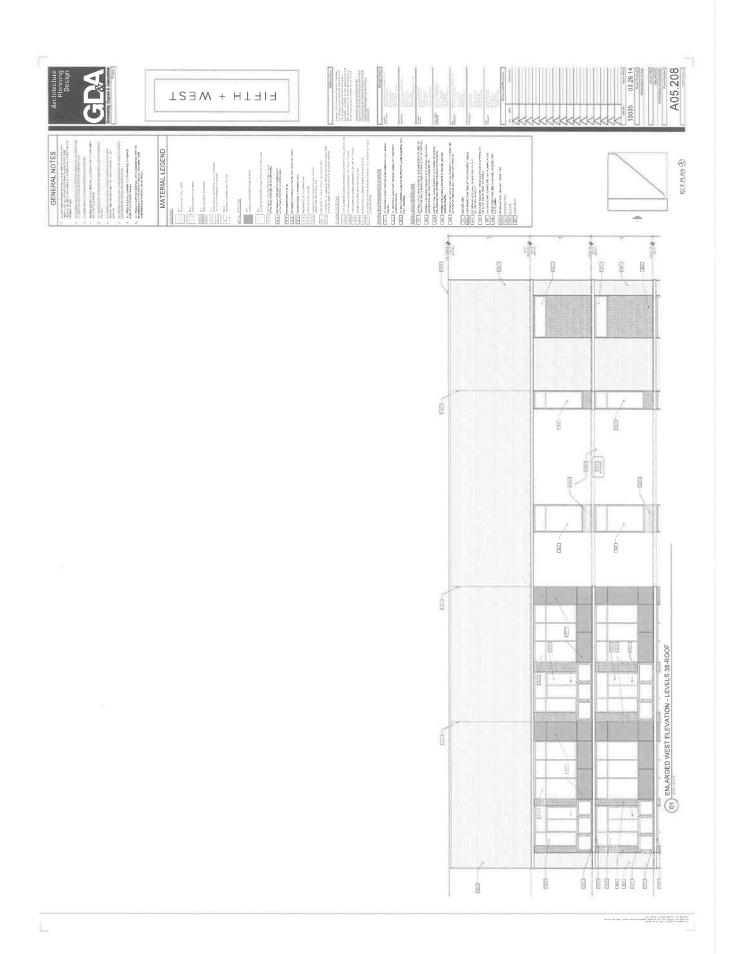


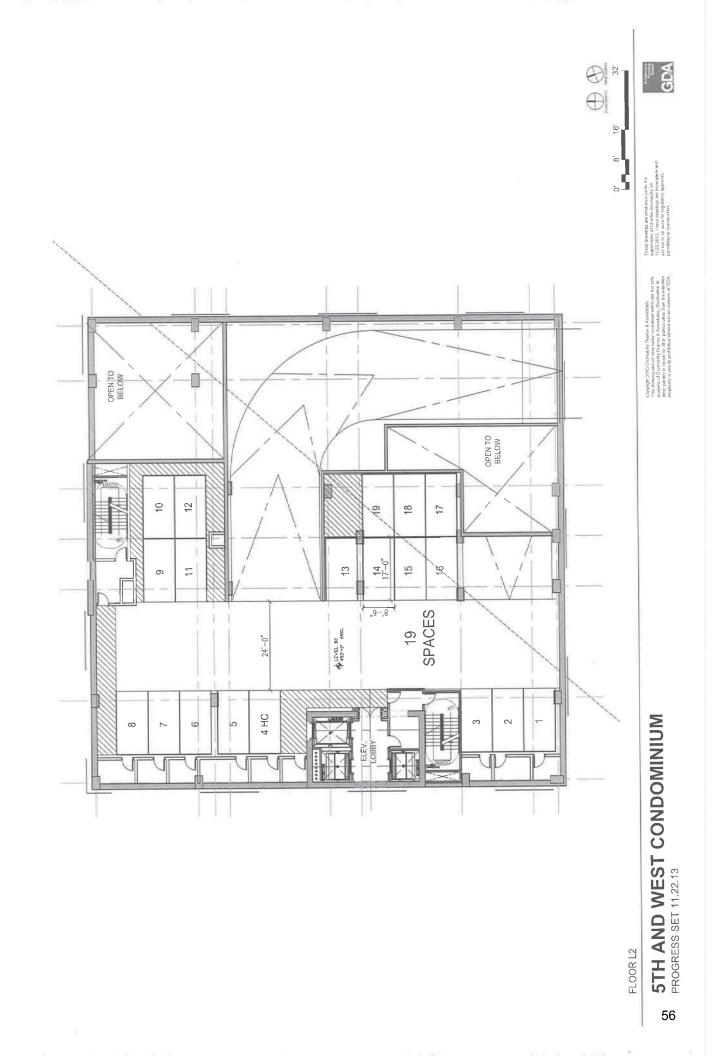


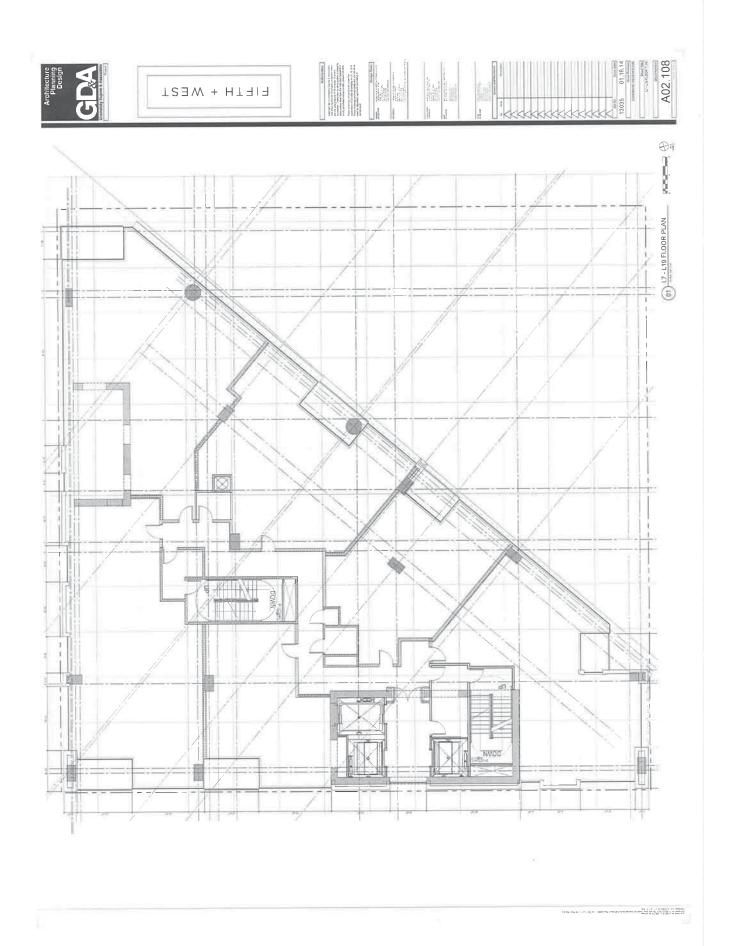


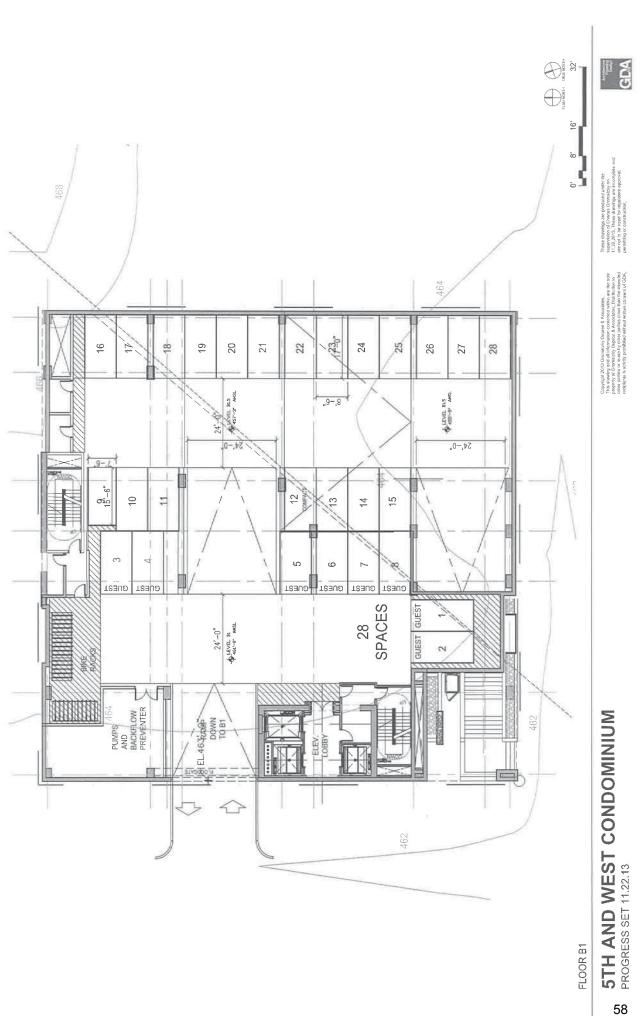


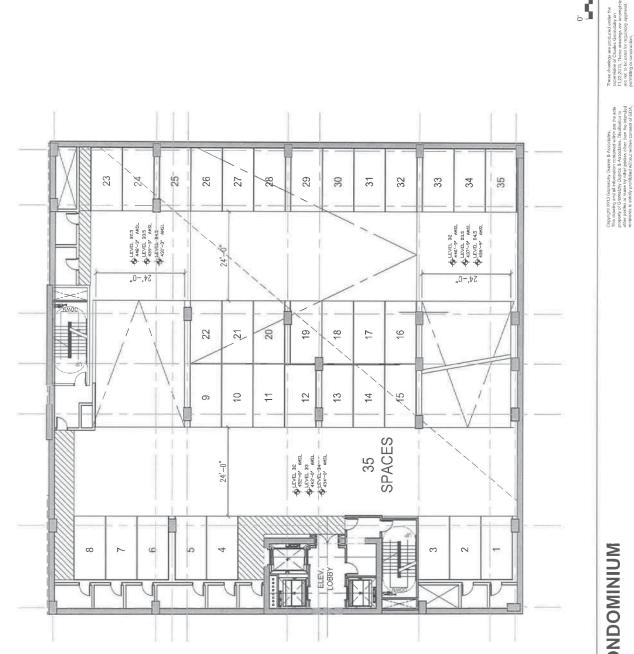












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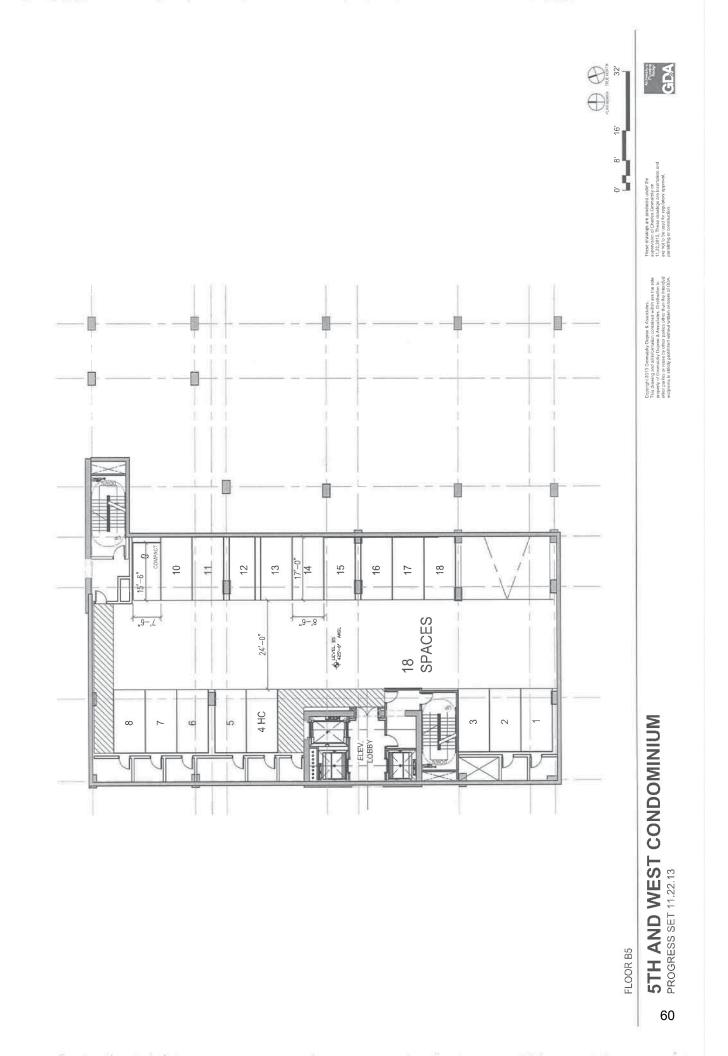
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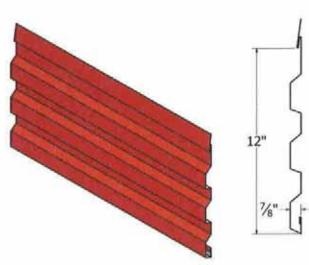
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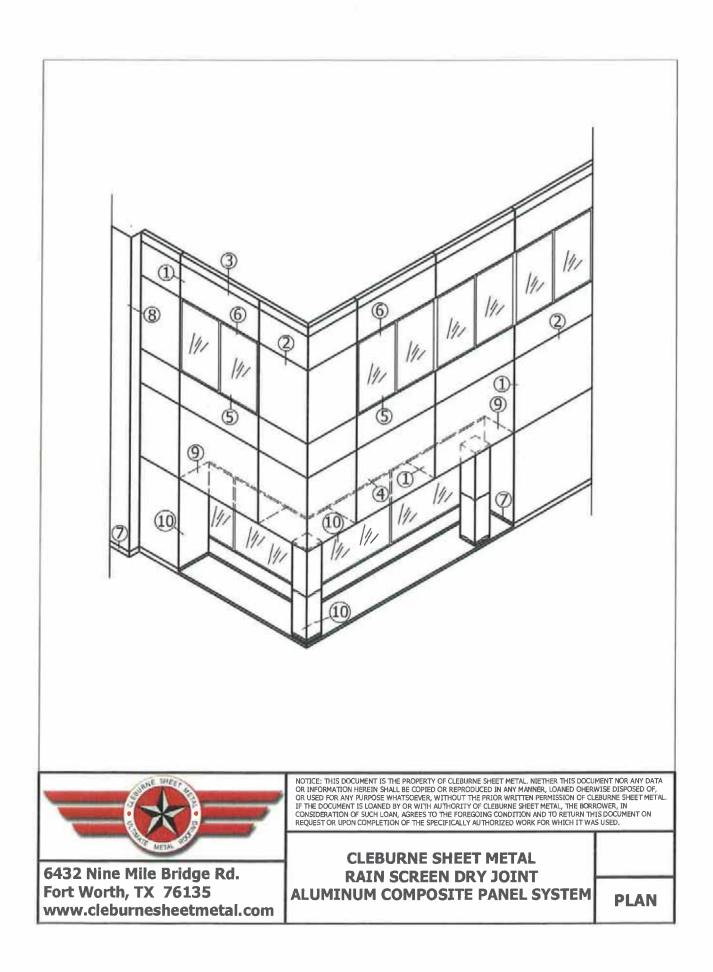
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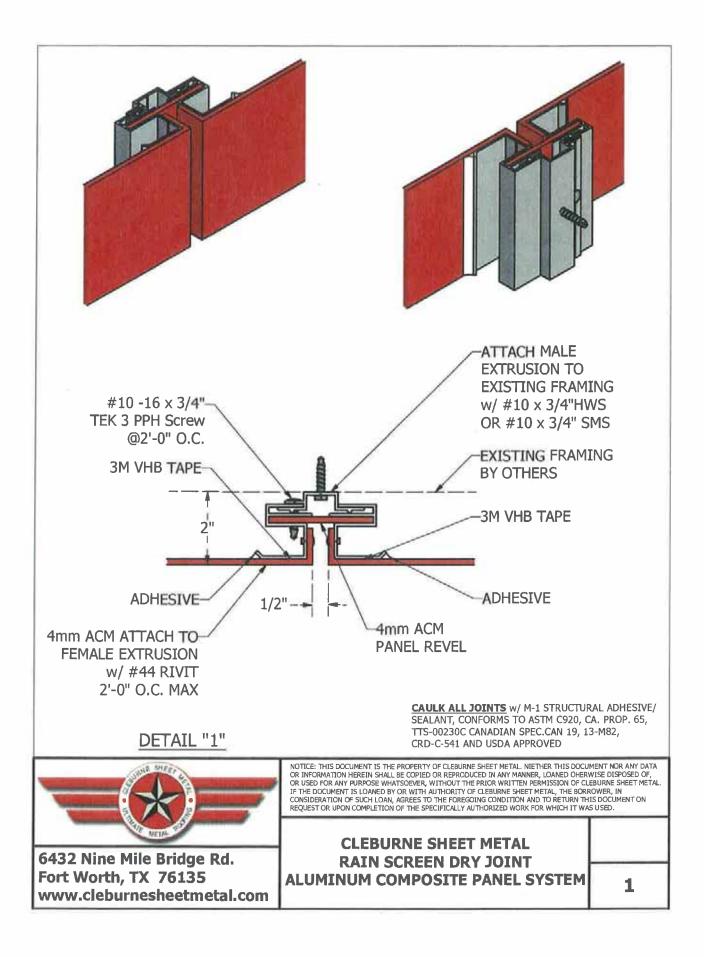


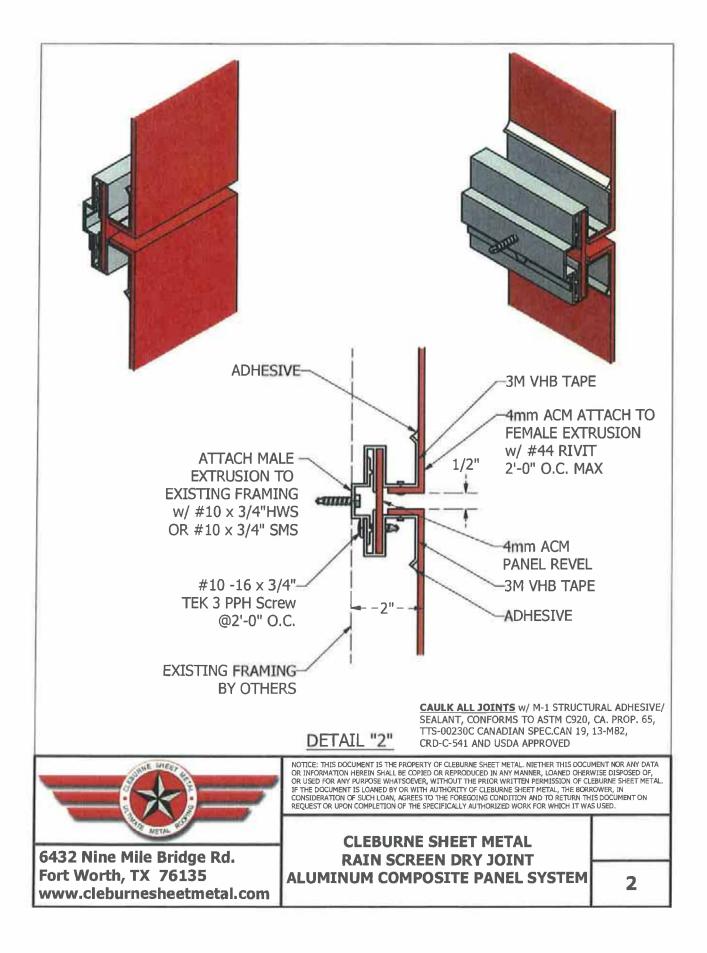
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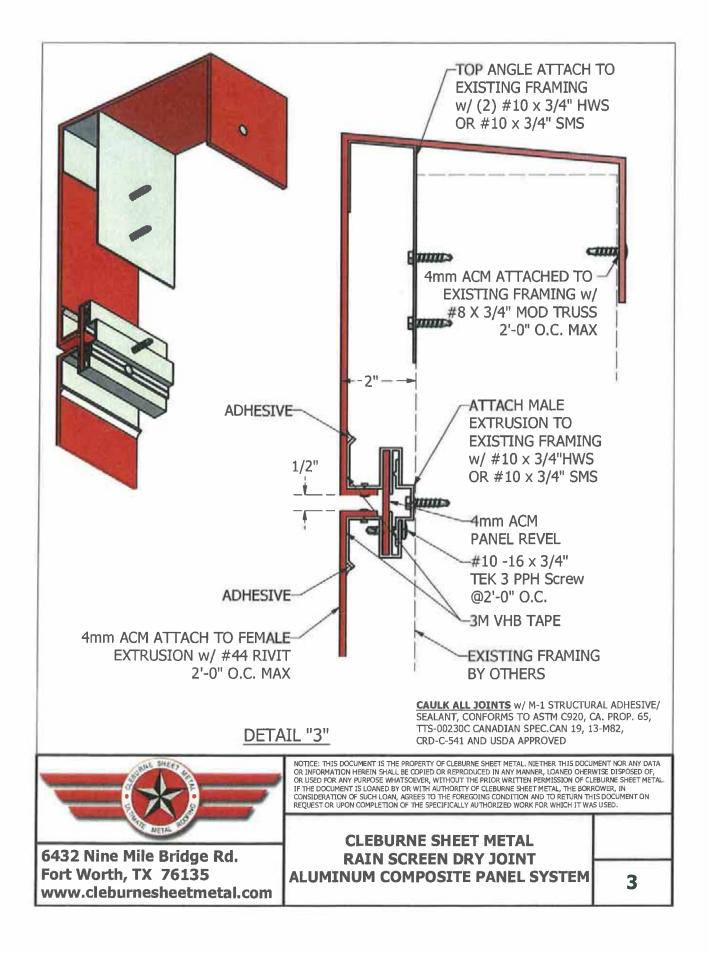


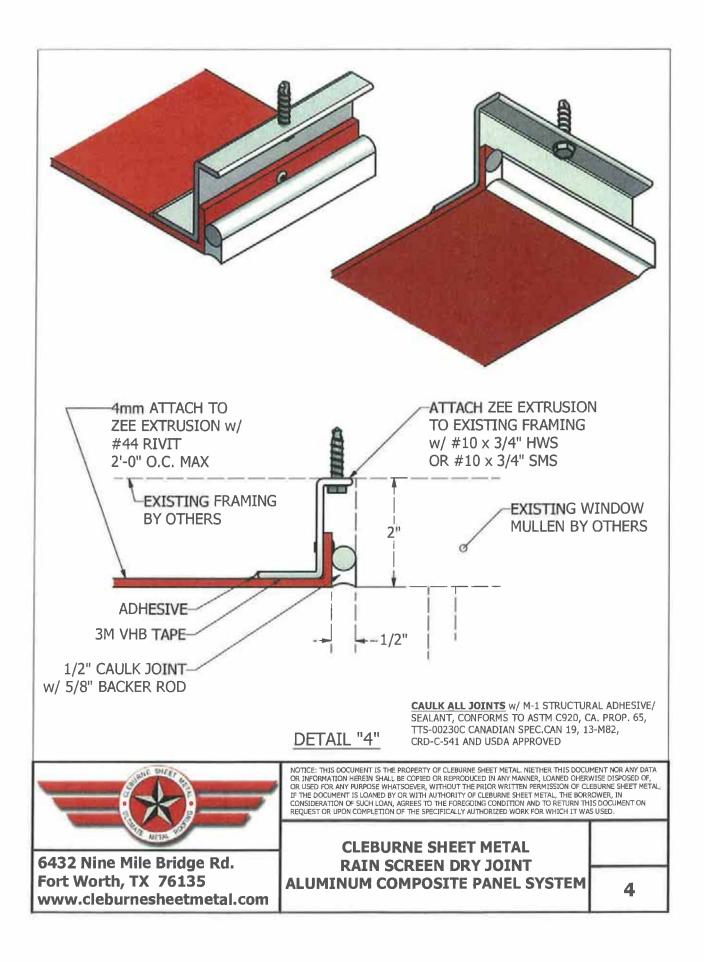
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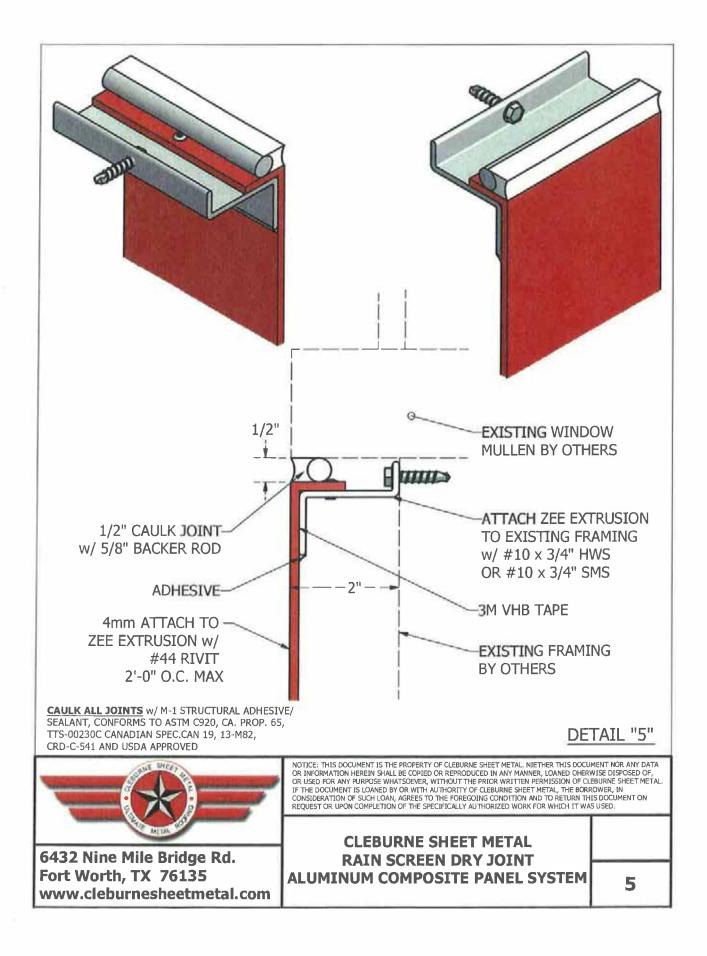


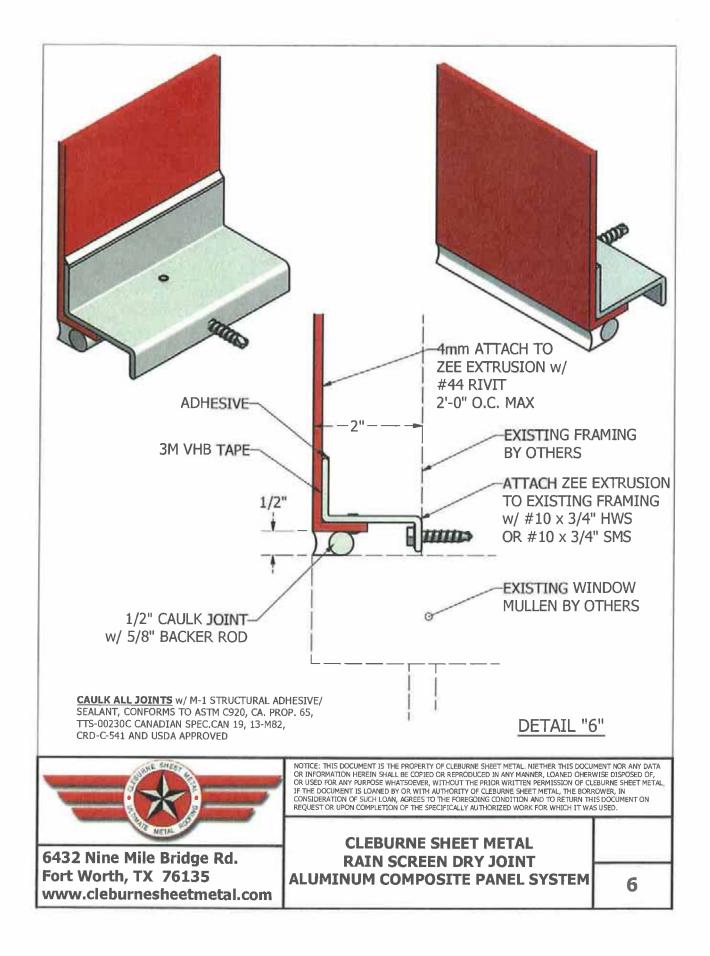


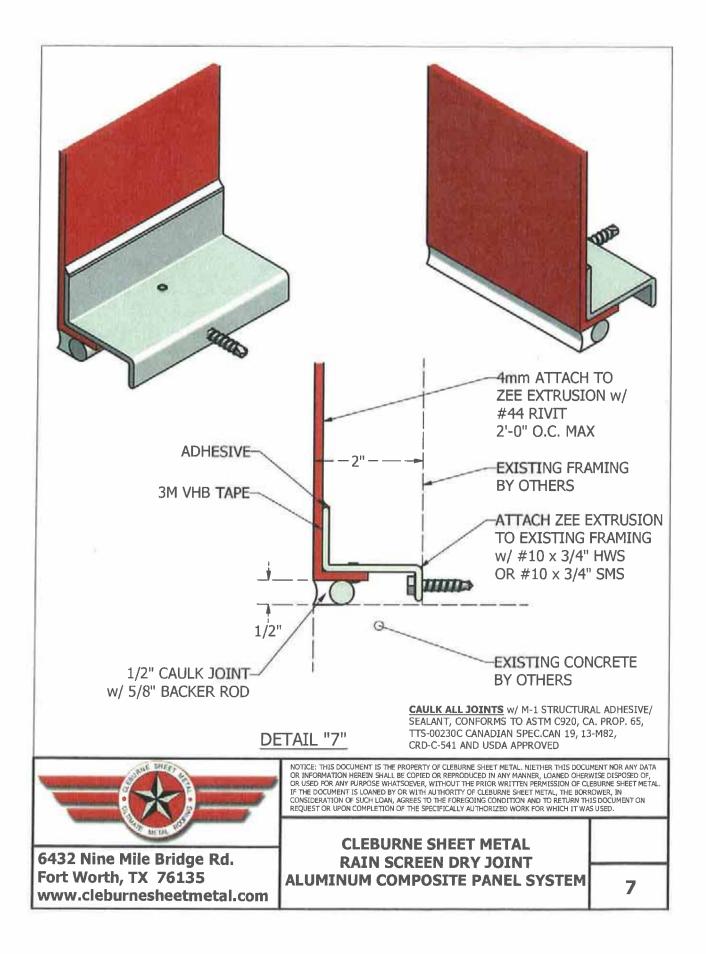


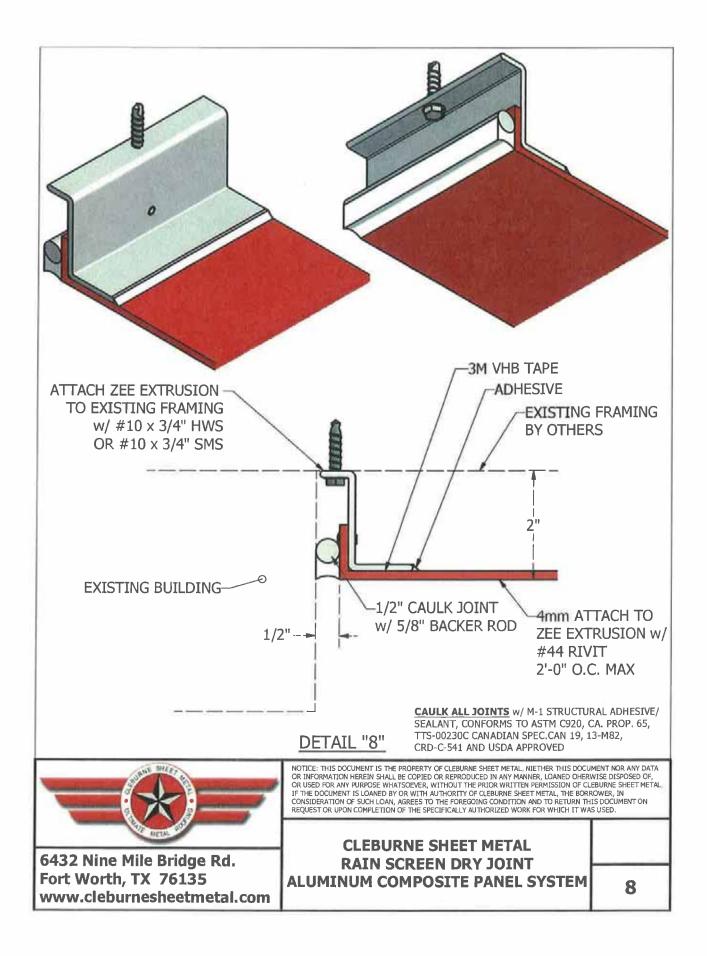


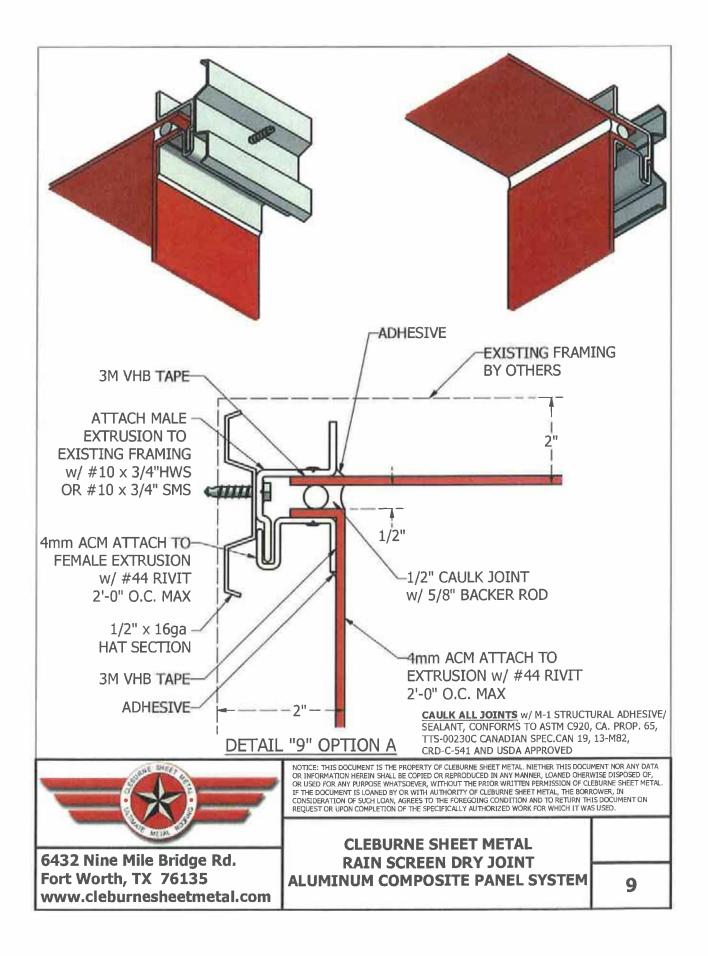


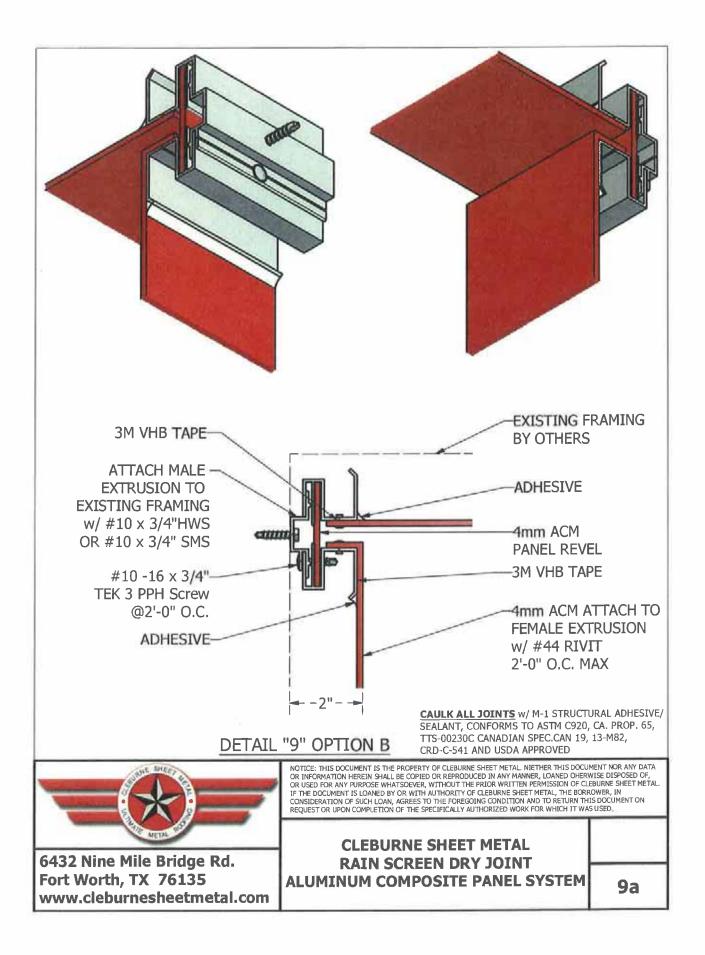


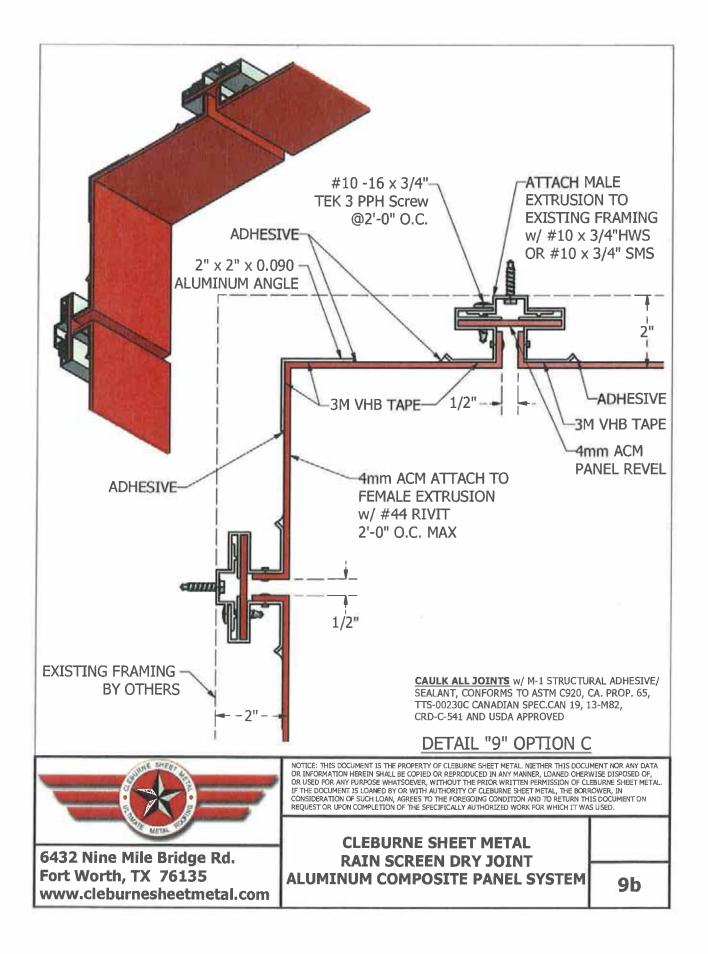


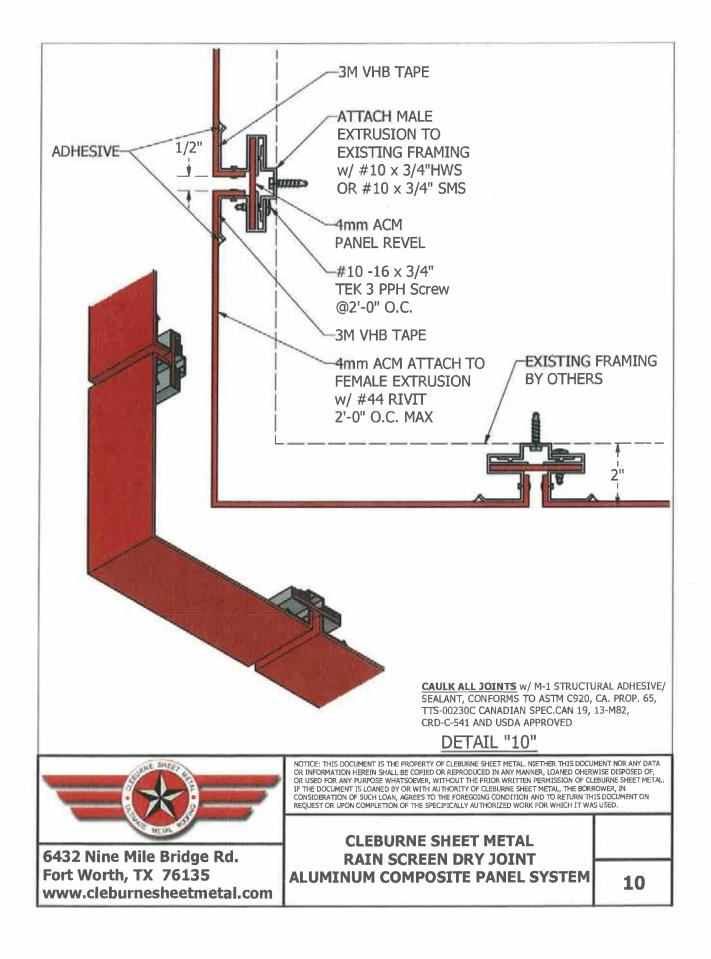


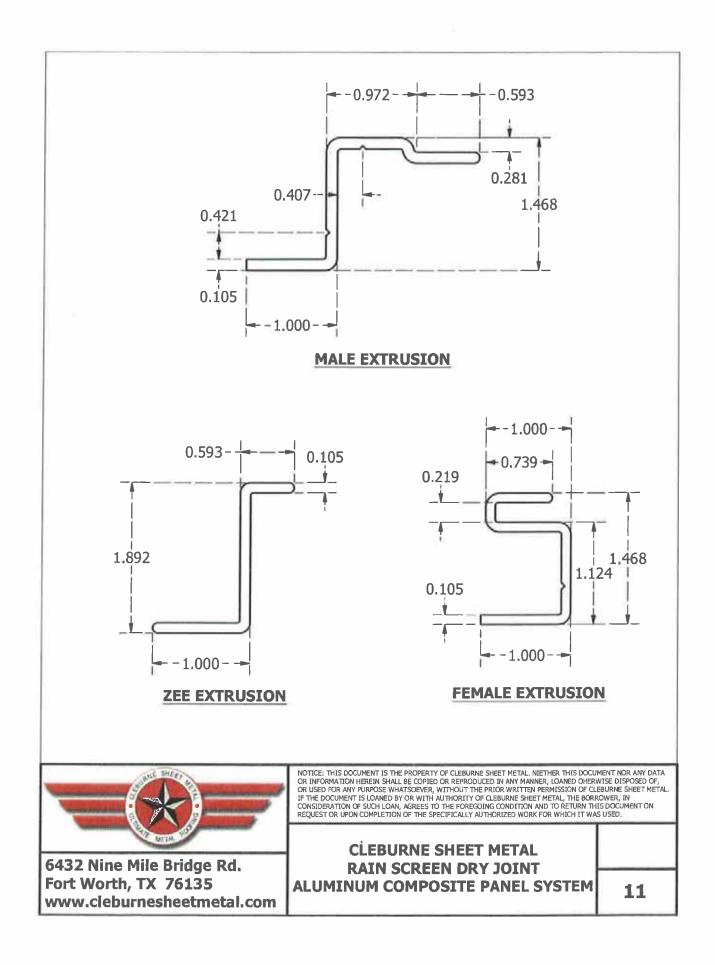


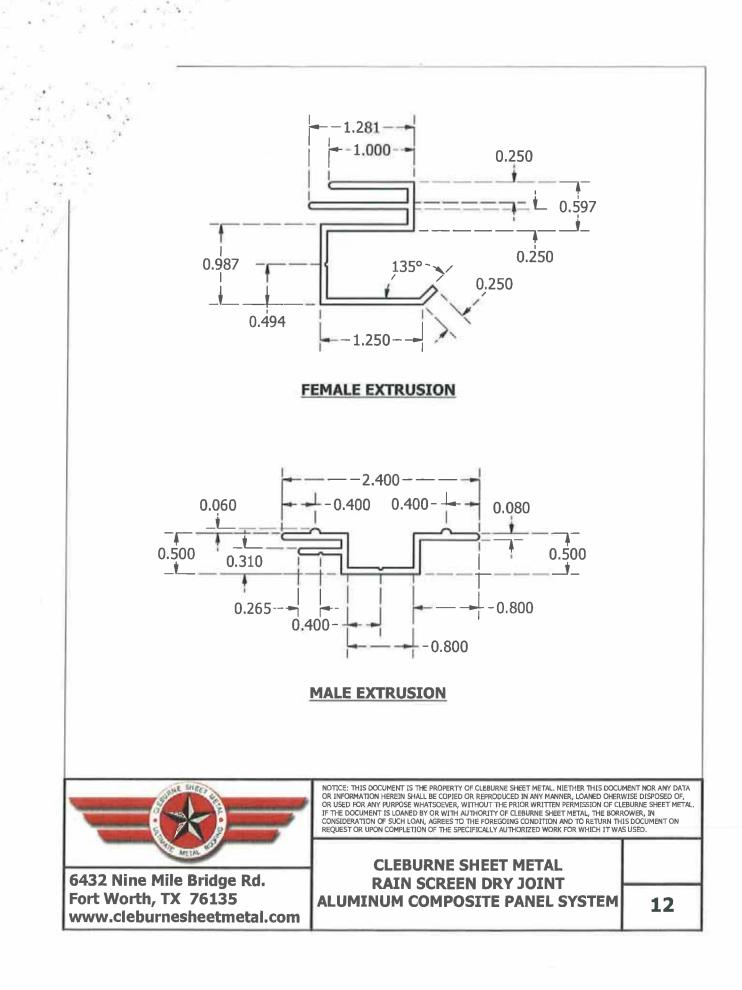


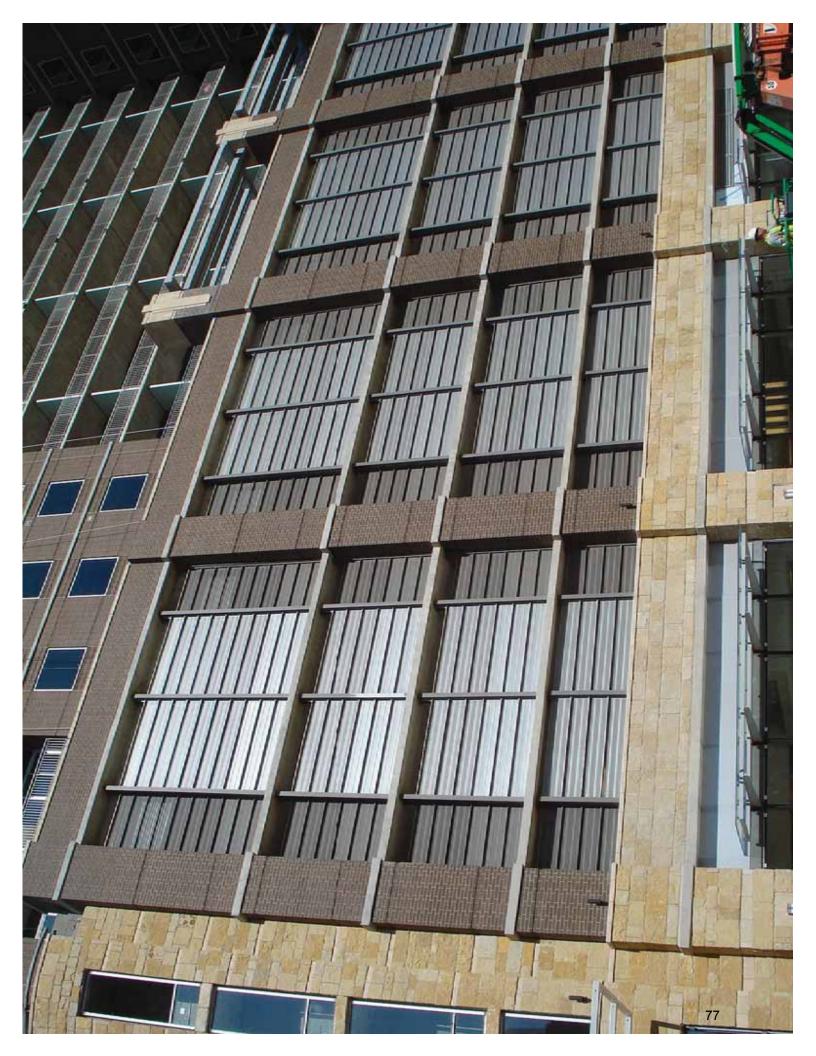


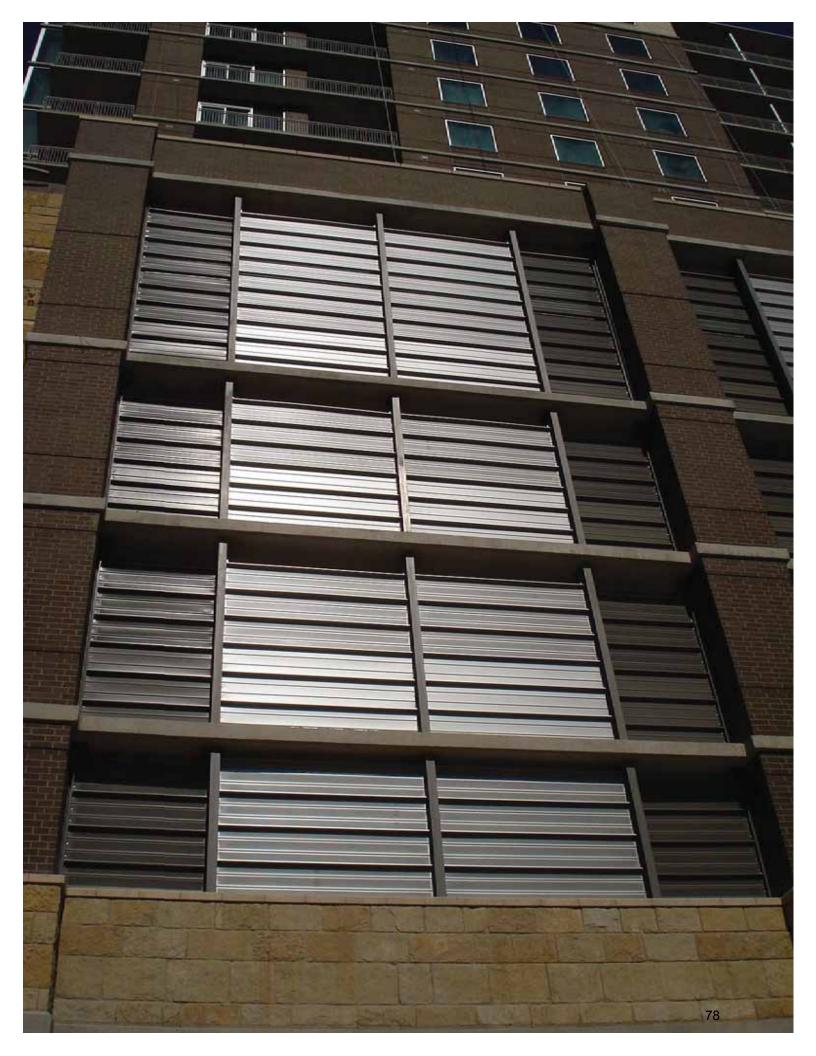


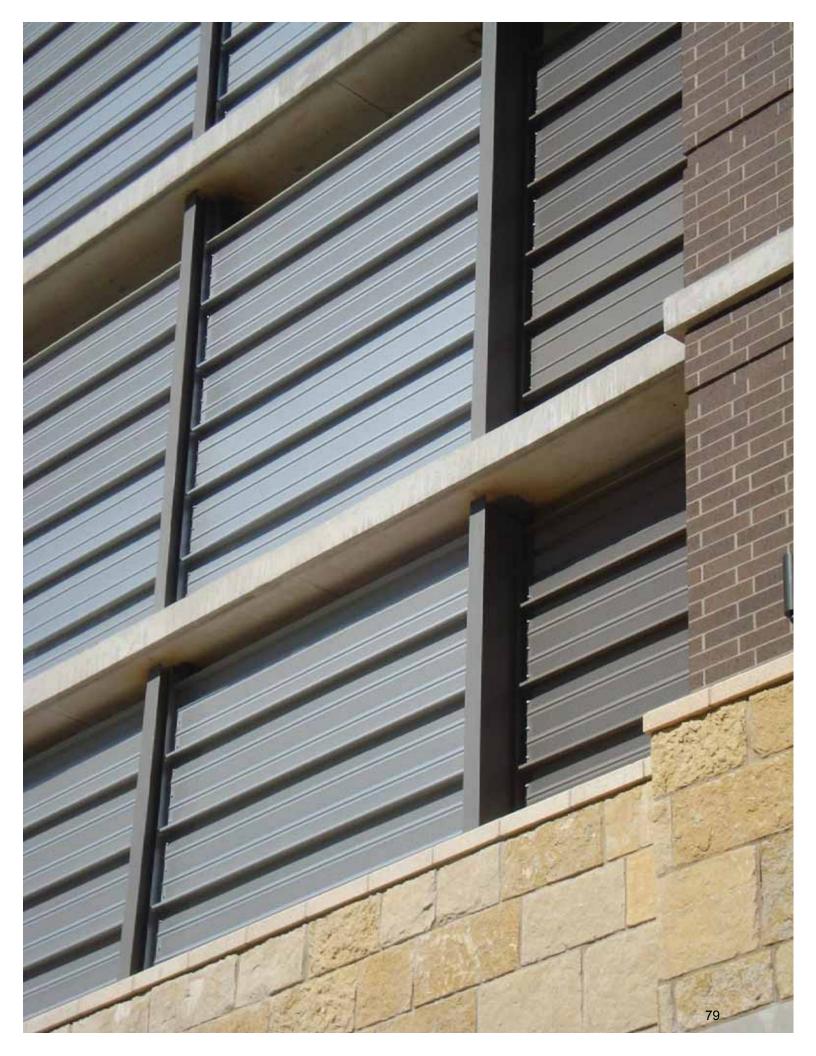


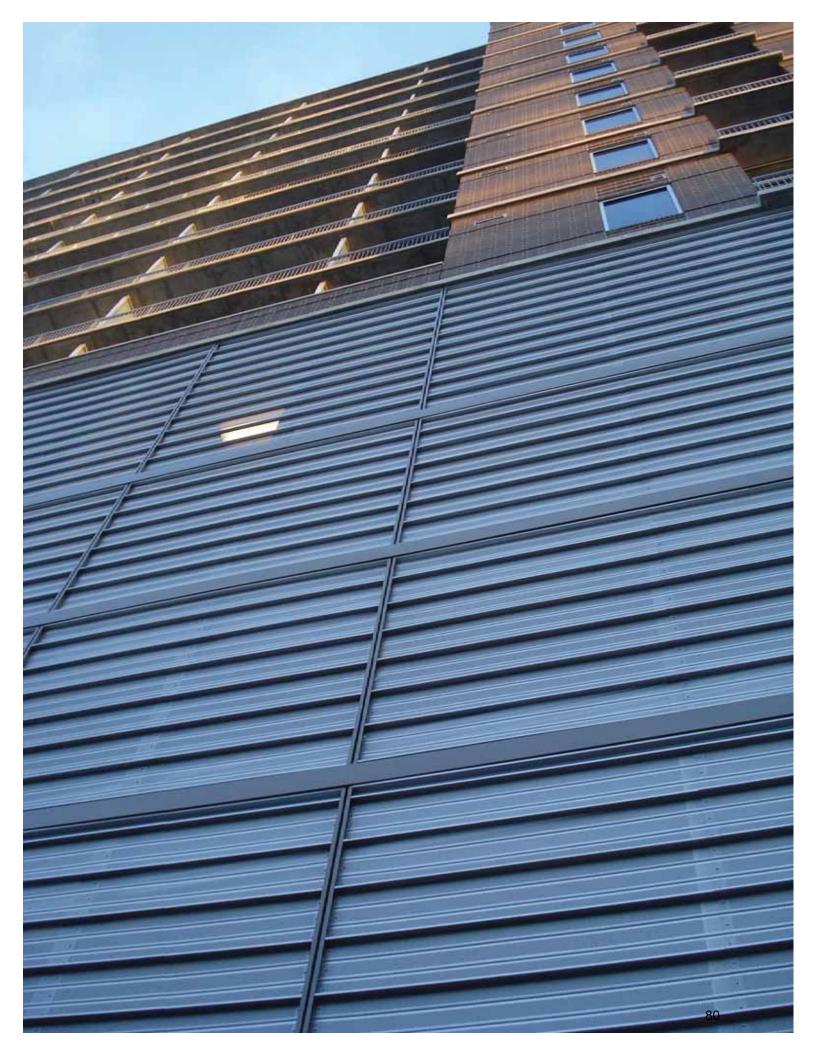














Post Office Box 1282 Austin, TX 78767 www.originalaustin.org February 4, 2014

Nikki Hoelter, Case Manager Planning & Development Review Department City of Austin

RE: SP-2013-0454C - 718 W. 5th Street. Also known as 5th & West

Applicant requests an amendment to the Downtown Density Bonus program (Ordinance No. 20130627-105) to allow an FAR on this tract of 20:1 instead of the current allowance of 15:1.

Dear Ms. Hoelter, CoA Case Manager:

The Board of Directors (BoD) of the Original Austin Neighborhood Association (OANA) discussed the above referenced Request by email and have voted to express support for this request with the following conditions:

- That the project be limited to owner occupied condominiums and related service uses;
- That reflective glass not be used on the west side of the project;
- That the project provide Great Street improvements to both sides of West Avenue between W. 5th & W. 6th Streets as well as its frontage on W. 5th Street;
- That the project install green screening or the equivalent on all the proposed exterior parking garage walls;
- That the Parkland Ordinance fee paid by this project be used for the improvements to the Shoal Creek Greenway between West 5th and West 10th Streets managed by COA-PARD in conjunction with the Shoal Creek Conservancy; and,
- That after addressing site specific flood mitigation requirements, the fee paid by this project to mitigate flood issues be managed by COA-Watershed Protection to determine a regional or watershed scale flood mitigation solutions in conjunction with the Shoal Creek Conservancy.

We respectfully ask the City Council to grant this amendment request with the conditions enumerated above.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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Ted Siff, President

Board of Directors Ted Siff, President Ray Canfield Perry Lorenz Michael Portman

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KNOWLEDGEABLE INFLUENTIAL	Mayor and Council City of Austin 300 W. Cesar Chavez Austin, Texas 78701
Pam Power-Hughes President	
Meredith Powell Vice President	RE: SP-2013-0454C
Fred Schmidt Secretary	Request for Waiver to 20:1 FAR 718 West 5 Street, aka 5th & West
Barry C. Lewis Treasurer	Honorable Mayor and Council,
Roger L. Cauvin	DANA joins the Original Austin Neighborhood As the waiver request for 20:1 FAR for the parcel at
Matt Easterling	DANA believes this request supports the increas development goals of the Imagine Austin and Do
Cid Galindo	
Jude Galligan	Regardless of any such waiver, and consistent v construction practices and policies that respect t
Warren James	 residents, DANA urges the developer to: Limit construction activities to between t Subject any application for construction the notice requirements of the City's sou
Kay Stowell	

ssociation ("OANA") in supporting 5th & West. ed density and mixed use owntown Austin Plans. vith DANA's support for

he quality of life for downtown

- he hours of 6 AM and 10 PM;
- activities outside these hours to und ordinance, Section 9-2-12, 14 & 21, and the City's "Temporary Event Sound Permit Application"; and
- Direct all construction and/or exterior lighting downward onto the site, or • shielded, to prevent lighting the interior of adjacent residential properties, as stipulated by Section 25-2-1067(A) of the City of Austin Code.

Respectfully,

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