Development Services



TO: Planning and Zoning Commission

FROM: Brett Burningham, Interim Development Services Director;

Steven Ester, Planner I

RE: Public Hearing and Possible Action on "Wienerschnitzel"

Conditional Use Permit (P18-0052) and Site Plan (P18-0075), a request by Joseph Cross (Select Engineering Services) for a Conditional Use Permit and Site Plan to allow construction of a new 831 square foot Wienerschnitzel restaurant with a drive-thru on Lot 7 within the Heritage Town Square Center, located approximately 750 feet south of the

southeast corner of Old Ellsworth Road and Rittenhouse Road.

DATE: November 14, 2018

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends approval of "Wienerschnitzel" Conditional Use Permit (P18-0052) and Site Plan (P18-0075), subject to the Conditions of Approval outlined in this report.

PROPOSED MOTION

Move to recommend approval of "Wienerschnitzel" Conditional Use Permit (P18-0052) and Site Plan (P18-0075), subject to the Conditions of Approval outlined in this report.

RELEVANT COUNCIL GOAL



SUMMARY

This proposal consists of a request by Joseph Cross (Select Engineering Services) for a Conditional Use Permit and Site Plan to allow construction of a new 831 square foot Wienerschnitzel restaurant with a drive-thru on Lot 7 within the Heritage Town Square Center. This project is located approximately 750 feet south of the southeast corner of Old Ellsworth Road and Rittenhouse Road.

HISTORY

September 16, 2009: Town Council approved the Preliminary Plat (SD09-032) and

Site Plan (SP08-170) applications for the Heritage Square

Commercial Development.

October 15, 2014 Town Council approved the Preliminary Plat (SD14-035)

"Heritage Square" Preliminary Plat.

September 9, 2014 Town Staff approved a Site Plan Amendment (SP14-034)

(Goodwill at Heritage Square).

August 31, 2016 Town Staff approved a Site Plan Amendment for the

reconfiguration of an interior drive aisle (P16-0023).

DISCUSSION

This proposal consists of a request by Joseph Cross (Select Engineering Services) for a Conditional Use Permit and Site Plan to allow construction of a new 831 square foot Wienerschnitzel restaurant with a drive-thru on Lot 7 within the Heritage Town Square Center, located approximately 750 feet south of the southeast corner of Old Ellsworth Road and Rittenhouse Road.

More specifically, the request is to approve the location of the building on the pad, architectural elevations, landscaping, and parking stall locations. All other site improvements, including site access, drainage and retention, and perimeter landscaping were already approved by Town Council and constructed upon the development of the overall center.

Project Information			
Project Name	Wienerschnitzel		
Site Location	S/SEC of Old Ellsworth Rd & Rittenhouse Rd		
Current Zoning	C-2/PAD (General Commercial/PAD)		
General Plan Designation	Commercial		
Surrounding Zoning Designations:			
North	Queen Creek Crossroads		
	TC (Town Center)		
South	Salad and Go		
	C-2/PAD (General Commercial/PAD)		
East	Vacant Land		
	C-2/PAD (General Commercial/PAD)		
West	Old Ellsworth Rd, Apartment Hunters		
	C-1 (Light Commercial)		
Site Area	1.0 Acre		
Parking Required	17		
Parking Provided	17		
Landscaping Required	15% (6,343 square feet)		

Landscaping Provided	37.5% (16,372 square feet)	
Building Square Footage	831	
Building Height	21'-10" (allowed 48')	
Lot Coverage (Allowed)	60%	
Lot Coverage (Provided)	1.9%	

ANALYSIS	

Conditional Use Permit Review:

The subject property is zoned C-2/PAD (General Commercial/Planned Area Development), as part of the Heritage Square development. The proposed restaurant and drive-thru are considered as an "In-Vehicle Service Facility," according to Article 6.5 of the Town Zoning Ordinance. All "In-Vehicle Service Facilities" are subject to a Conditional Use Permit review procedure.

Conditional Uses are those land uses that may be desirable in a community, but may by their nature, require special site and design considerations in order to insure that they are compatible with adjacent uses and community standards. The Planning Commission and ultimately the Town Council are charged with determining whether or not a proposed location is suitable for such uses. The purpose of the Conditional Use Permit is to have an additional tool to maintain development standards.

Conditional Use review in the Zoning Ordinance sets forth the following approval criteria for evaluating a proposed Conditional Use (as outlined in Article 3.5 of the Zoning Ordinance). Below is the criteria along with a response from the applicant:

- 1. The proposed Conditional Use shall be in compliance with all regulations of the applicable zoning district, the provisions of Article 5 of this Ordinance, and any applicable performance standards as set forth in Article 6 of this Ordinance.
 - <u>Applicant Response:</u> The conditional use shall be in compliance with all regulations of the zoning district, Article 5 of this ordinance, and any applicable performance standards as set forth in Article 6 of this ordinance.
- The proposed Conditional Use shall conform to the character of the neighborhood, within the same zoning district, in which it is located. In making such a determination, consideration shall be given to the location, type and height of buildings or structures and the type and extent of landscaping and screening on the site.

<u>Applicant Response:</u> This proposed development shall conform to all applicable development standards and substantially conform to the Heritage Square Design Guidelines, carrying out the Standards' intentions to achieve acceptable visual content based on the general shape and design of other approved structures in

- Heritage Square. The Wienerschnitzel building does exactly as the guidelines suggest and brings moderate visual interest to the structure.
- 3. Adequate utilities, access roads, drainage, fire protection, and other necessary facilities shall be provided.
 - <u>Applicant Response:</u> This development as part of Heritage Square meets these required conditions as approved by the Town, and shows them on all applicable Site and Utility plan drawings.
- 4. Adequate measures shall be taken to provide ingress and egress so designed as to minimize traffic hazards and to minimize traffic congestion on the public roads.
 - <u>Applicant Response:</u> This development provides mitigation measures through signage, sufficient parking, and drive aisle/driveway locations (which address concerns related to potential hazards), while conforming with Town requirements and the approved Heritage Square development with good engineering practice.
- 5. The proposed use shall not be noxious or offensive by reason of vibration, noise, odor, dust, smoke or gas.
 - <u>Applicant Response:</u> Wienerschnitzel maintains a reputation as a popular restaurant destination that is family and community friendly. Sufficient parking and stabilized surfaces, as well as walk up customer service, mitigate the potential for offensive or noxious odors, dust, vibration, smoke and gas.
- 6. The proposed use shall not be injurious to the use and enjoyment of the property in the immediate vicinity for the purposes already permitted nor substantially diminish or impair the property values within the neighborhood.
 - <u>Applicant Response:</u> This development meets the intended use of this site within the Heritage Square Center. This will be a new store meeting currently adopted building codes and providing family friendly dining. We expect the surrounding neighborhoods to appreciate the addition of Wienerschnitzel as a dining option and property values to be unaffected by its operation.
- 7. The establishment of the proposed use shall not impede the orderly development and improvement of surrounding property for uses permitted within the zoning district.
 - <u>Applicant Response:</u> This development conforms with the intended use of this property within the Heritage Square Center. Its development and use will not impede the orderly development of surrounding properties in any way.

- 8. The establishment, maintenance, or operation of the proposed use shall not be detrimental to or endanger the public health, safety, morals, comfort, or general welfare.
 - <u>Applicant Response:</u> Wienerschnitzel maintains a reputation as a popular restaurant destination that is family and community friendly. Its development and use will in no way endanger the public health, safety, morals, comfort or general welfare of its surrounding community.
- 9. The public interest and welfare supporting the proposed conditional use shall be sufficient to outweigh the individual interests which are adversely affected by the establishment of the proposed use.
 - <u>Applicant Response:</u> The owner and owner's engineer agree. There is sufficient public interest and welfare.

The proposed uses meet the above-listed approval criteria for evaluating a proposed conditional use, as outlined in Article 3.5 of the Zoning Ordinance.

In-Vehicle ("drive-through") service facilities, including are also subject to the following Performance Standards (as outlined in Article 6.5 of the Zoning Ordinance). Below is the criteria along with a response from the applicant:

- 1. Pedestrian walkways should not intersect the drive-through drive aisles, but where they do, they shall have clear visibility, and they must be emphasized by enriched paving, such as products to similar to boomanite, stone, etc.
 - <u>Applicant Response:</u> This site provides pedestrian access across the entry of the drive thru. Marked pavement, signage, and high visibility standards shall be maintained to mitigate hazards.
- 2. Drive-through aisles shall have a minimum twelve foot (12') width on curves and a minimum eleven foot (11') width on straight sections.
 - <u>Applicant Response:</u> Drive-thru has a minimum 12 foot width on curves and minimum 12 foot width on straight sections.
- 3. All service areas, rest rooms, and ground-mounted and roof-mounted mechanical equipment shall be screened from view.
 - <u>Applicant Response:</u> Mechanical equipment, service areas, and rest rooms have been screened from view.
- 4. Drive-through lanes for all restaurants shall provide at least 160 total feet of stacking distance (80 feet of stacking distance between pick-up windows and order-placing speakers, and at least 80 feet of stacking distance between order-

placing speakers and the entry to the drive-through lane). Distances shall be measured along the centerline of the drive-through lane.

<u>Applicant Response:</u> The drive-thru provides 80 feet of stacking distance between the entry and order-placing speakers, as well as 80 feet of stacking distance between the pick-up windows and order-placing speakers.

- Landscaping shall screen drive through or drive-in aisles from the public right-ofway and shall be used to minimize the visual impact or reader board signs and directional signs.
 - <u>Applicant Response:</u> Screenwalls and landscaping are used along Ellsworth Road to screen both parked vehicles and vehicles within the drive-thru from public view.
- 6. The building shall be the main element of the overall site plan and parking shall be oriented on the side or rear of the site.
 - <u>Applicant Response:</u> The building is the main element of the overall site plan for this site, and is oriented for optimal access, parking, traffic circulation, and pedestrian access.
- 7. Menu boards shall be a maximum of twenty-four (24) square feet, with a maximum height of five (5) feet, and shall not be placed adjacent to the public street.
 - <u>Applicant Response:</u> Menu board shall be less than 24 square feet with a height less than 5 feet.
- 8. Drive-through uses within an integrated shopping center shall have an architectural style consistent with the theme established in the center. The architecture of any drive-through use must provide compatibility with surrounding uses in form, materials, colors, scale, etc. Structure plans shall have variation in depth and angle to create a variety and interest in its basic form and silhouette.
 - <u>Applicant Response:</u> The drive-thru architecture includes a canopy that is well articulated and provides compatibility with the surrounding Heritage Square center forms, materials, and colors as shown in the Wienerschnitzel architectural elevations.
- 9. Articulation of structure surface shall be encouraged through the use of opening and recesses, which create texture and shadow patterns. Structure entrances shall be well articulated and project a formal entrance through variation of architectural plane, pavement surface treatment and landscaping plaza. No drive-through aisles shall exit directly onto a public right-of-way.

<u>Applicant Response:</u> Color building elevations show articulation such as openings and recesses, creating textures and shadow patterns. The drive-thru exits into the site drive aisle and parking lot, not directly onto a public right of way.

Additionally, the proposed uses meet the above-listed Performance Standards, as outlined in Article 6.5 of the Zoning Ordinance.

General Plan Review: The 2018 General Plan Land Use Designation for this project is Commercial. The proposed project is in compliance with the General Plan.

Zoning Review: The zoning designation of the property is C-2/PAD (General Commercial). The applicant is proposing no change to the zoning. The proposed restaurant with a drive-thru is permitted in the C-2 zoning district with the approval of a Conditional Use Permit.

Engineering Review: The project has been reviewed by the Engineering and Traffic Engineering Divisions.

Site Plan Review: The Site Plan meets the Zoning Ordinance requirements for site planning and design. The Site Plan provides adequate parking and driveways for sufficient points of vehicular ingress and egress. Patrons will be able to access the site via two entrances off a driveway internal to the Heritage Square development. Once in the site, patrons can use the pick up window, or park in the designated spaces to order and eat in the outdoor seating area. No indoor seating or dining is proposed.

Building Elevation Review: The proposed building elevations are in compliance with the Town Zoning Ordinance and Design Standards. The colors and materials are consistent with the approved design guidelines for the Heritage Town Square Center. Building materials include stucco, stone veneer, superlite block, and standing seam metal roofing.

Landscape / Open Space / Fence Plan Review: The proposed landscaping and open space meets the standards set forth in the Zoning Ordinance. The applicant is proposing 37.5% open space, which exceeds the 15% minimum requirement according to the Town Zoning Ordinance.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

A Neighborhood Meeting was held on September 6, 2018 at the Queen Creek Community Chambers with no attendees.

Staff has received no public input on the project to date.

CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL

- 1. This project shall be developed in accordance with the plans attached to this case and all the provisions of the Zoning Ordinance applicable to this case.
- 2. Monument signage and building signage will be reviewed and approved under a separate permit.
- Mechanical equipment, electrical meter and service components, and similar utility devices whether ground level, wall mounted, or roof mounted, shall be screened from view.

ATTACHMENTS

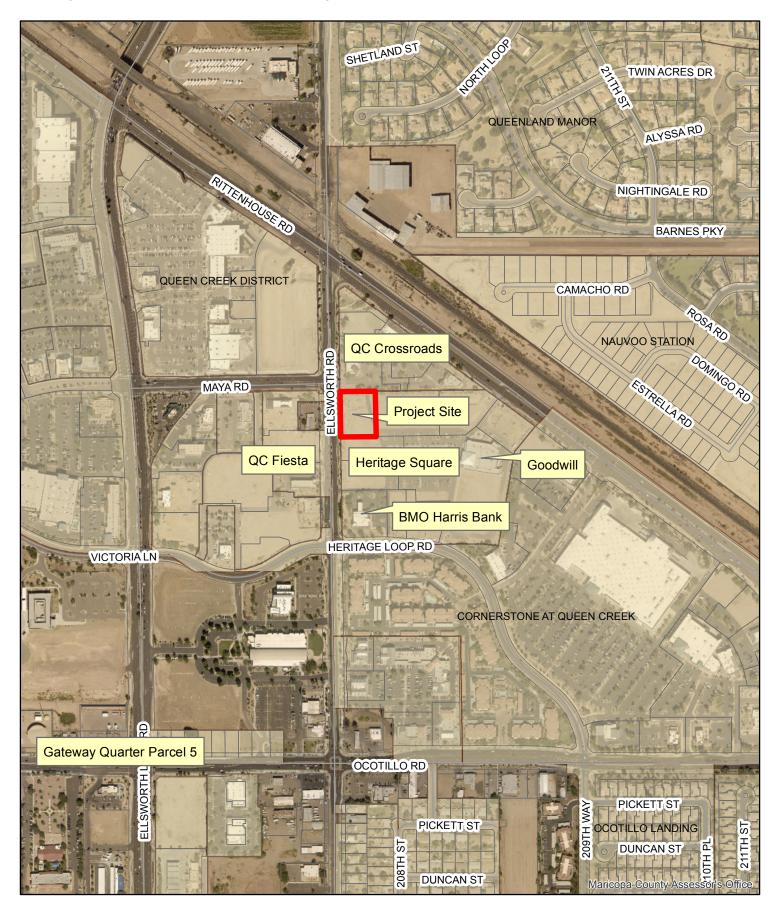
- 1. Aerial Photo Exhibit
- 2. General Plan Exhibit
- 3. Zoning Map Exhibit
- 4. Site Plan
- 5. Landscape Plan
- 6. Building Elevations

Project Name: Wienerschnitzel Aerial Exhibit

Case Numbers: P18-0052, P18-0075

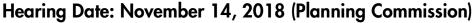
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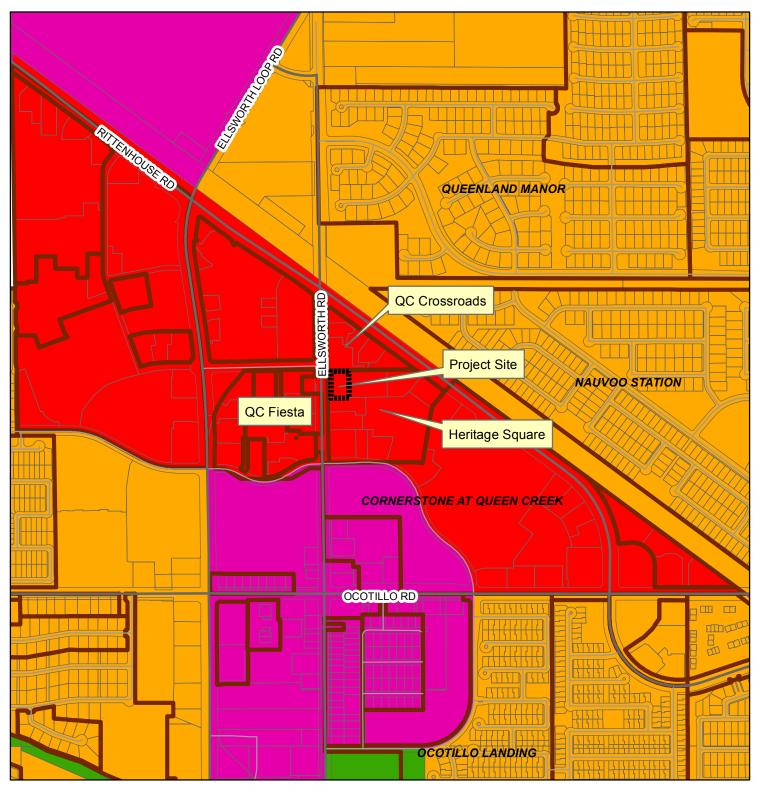


Project Name: Wienerschnitzel General Plan Exhibit

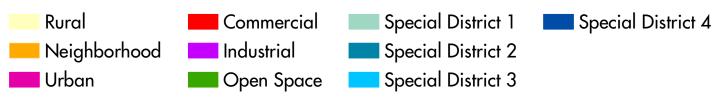
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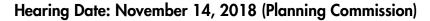


General Plan Land Use

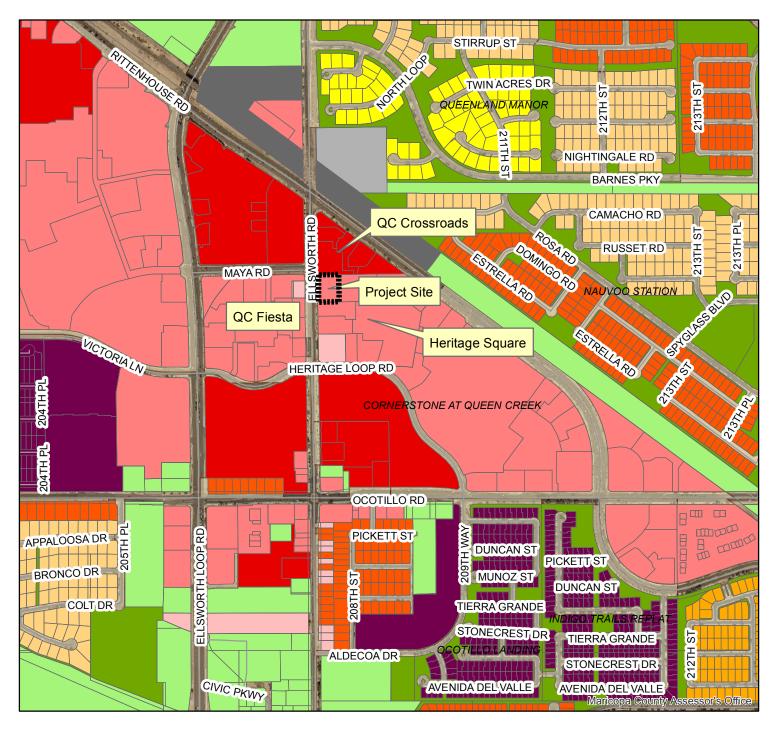


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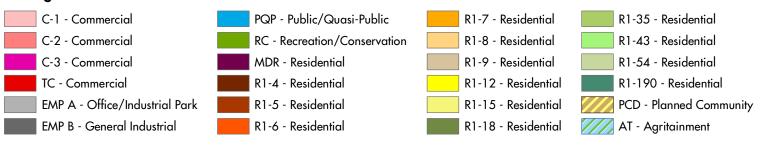
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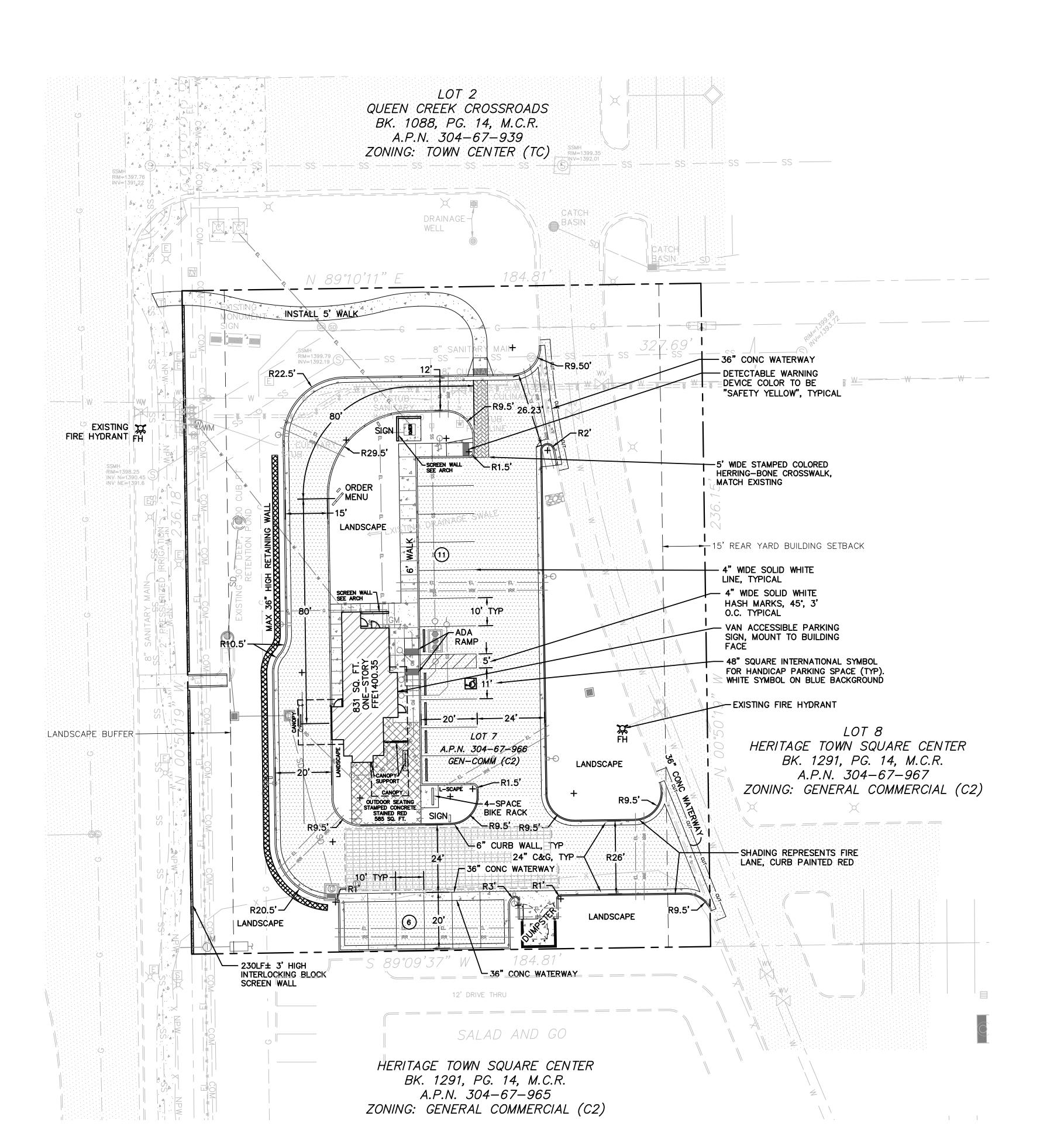












SITE AREA: 43620 SQ SF = 1.001 ACRES TOTAL BUILDING SQUARE FEET: 831 SF (1.9%) TOTAL PATIO AREA: 585 SF

ZONING

SITE IS ZONED GENERAL COMMERCIAL (C2) ALL BUILDINGS SHALL HAVE A MINIMUM FRONT AND CORNER YARD SETBACKS. THE MINIMUM

YARD STANDARDS SHALL BE:

- 1. FRONT YARD: 0-FEET;
- 2. REAR YARD: 15-FEET;
- 3. SIDE YARD: 0-FEET

REQUIREMENTS FOR PARKING AND LANDSCAPING

LANDSCAPING

LANDSCAPE BUFFER SETBACKS = 15' ALONG COLLECTOR ROADWAYS

FRONTAGE LANDSCAPING – 1 TREE AND 6 SHRUBS SHALL BE INSTALLED FOR EACH 30 FEET OF STREET FRONTAGE.

ONSITE LANDSCAPING - 1 TREE AND 10 SHRUBS FOR EACH INCREMENT OF 500 S.F. IN ALL AREAS INCLUDING THE PARKING LOT.

SPECIFIC PLANTING MATERIALS SHALL COMPLEMENT WHAT HAS BEEN APPROVED FOR THE GOODWIL SITE PLAN WITHIN THE HERITAGE SQUARE DEVELOPMENT.

PLANT SIZE - THE MINIMUM PLANT SIZE SHALL BE 15 GALLONS, 6 FEET IN HEIGHT, AND A CALIPER OF 1 INCH MEASURED 4 INCHES ABOVE THE SOIL LINE. 50% OF THE REQUIRED NUMBER OF STREET FRONTAGE TREES ARE TO BE 24 INCH BOX SIZE OR LARGER, 6 FEET IN HEIGHT AND A CALIPER OF 1-1/2 INCH MEASURED 4 INCHES ABOVE SOIL LINE.

SHRUBS SHALL MEASURE A MINIMUM OF 5 GALLON SIZE UPON INSTALLATION.

ORGANIC GROUND COVERS SHALL BE A MINIMUM OF 1 GALLON SIZE UPON INSTALLATION.

INORGANIC GROUND COVERS SHALL BE USED AND SHALL CONSIST OF DECOMPOSED GRANITE (MINIMUM SIZE ½ INCH MINUS OR SCREENED). WHERE BOULDERS ARE USED 1/3 SHALL BE BURIED.

STANDARD LANDSCAPE BUFFERS – 30 FEET IN THE FRONT AS REQUIRED BY THE HERITAGE SQUARE APPROVED SITE PLAN.

PREVENTER, ITS TYPE, AND NOTE CONTROLLER/MASTER VALVE LOCATIONS.

AN IRRIGATION SERVICE AND METER SEPARATE FROM THE DOMESTIC SUPPLY SHOULD BE INSTALLED TO PROVIDE IRRIGATION WATER TO TREES, SHRUBS AND GRASS. LOCATION SHOULD BE SHOWN ON THE PLAN INCLUDING ITS SIZE, BACKFLOW

TOTAL REQUIRED PARKING RATIO: 1 SPACE PER 50 SF OF OUTDOOR SEATING AREA, 1 SPACE PER 200 SF OF KITCHEN/OFFICE AREA.

TOTAL REQUIRED PARKING SPACES PER ZONING CODE: 17

1 SPACE PER 50 SF GFA OF PATRON SEATING = 585 SF / 50 SF / 1 SPACE = 12 SPACES (REQD) 1 SPACE PER 200 SF GA OF OFF/FOOD PREP = 831 SF / 200 SF / 1 SPACE = 5 SPACES (REQD)

PROPOSED PARKING: 17 PARKING SPACES ACCESSIBLE PARKING REQUIRED: 1 VAN ACCESSIBLE PARKING SPACE FOR SITES WITH LESS

THAN 25 VEHICLE PARKING SPACES

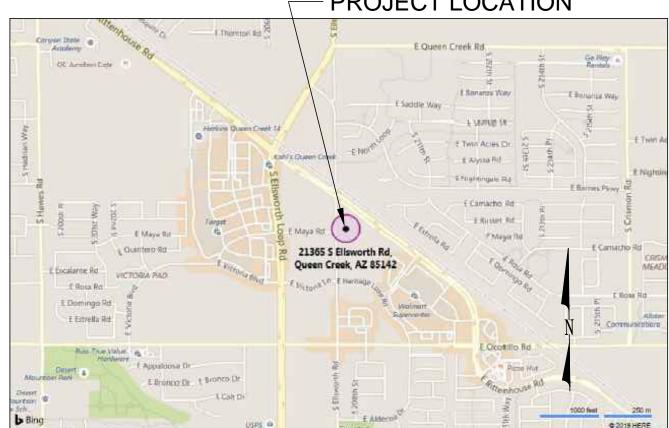
ACCESSIBLE PARKING PROPOSED: 1 VAN ACCESSIBLE PARKING SPACE BICYCLE PARKING SPACES PROVIDED: 1 SPACES PER 20 STALLS, 4 SPACE MIN

TYPICAL PARKING DIMENSIONS: VEHICLE STALLS 10 FT BY 20 FT MIN BICYCLE: 24" BY 75"

PAVING NOTE

ALL OFF STREET PARKING, DRIVEWAYS AND DRIVE THRU SHALL BE ASPHALT OR CONCRETE PAVEMENT PER GEOTECHNICAL REPORT RECOMMENDATIONS.

- PROJECT LOCATION



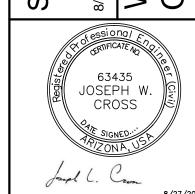




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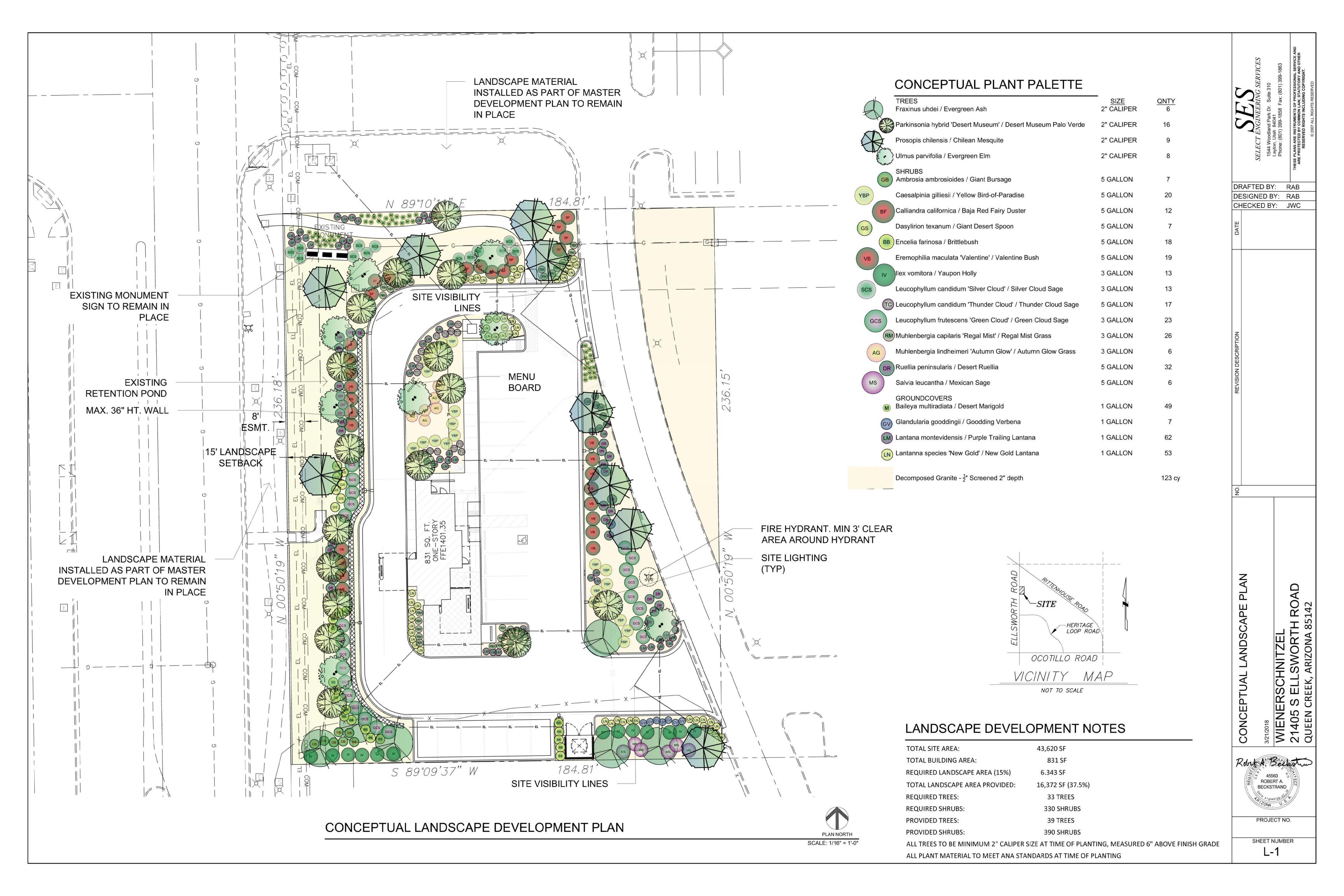


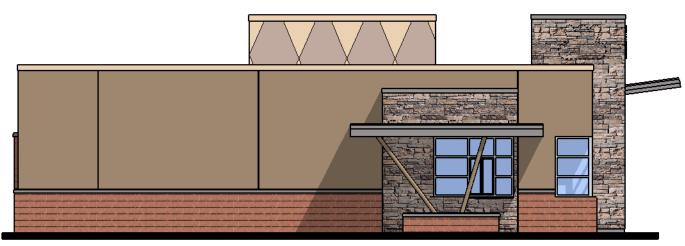
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GRAPHIC SCALE

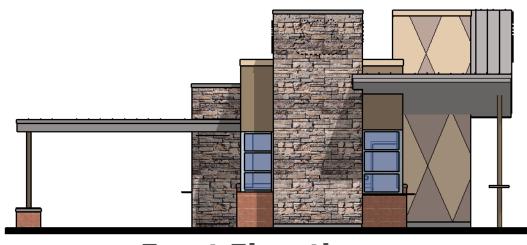
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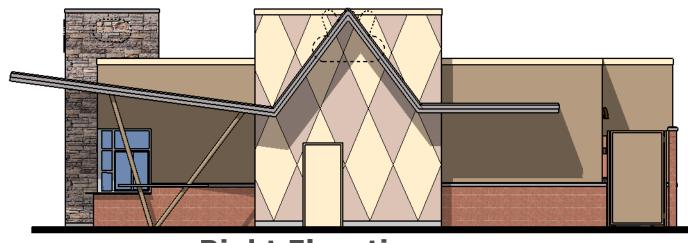
Left Elevation



Front Elevation

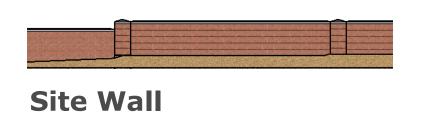


Rear Elevation



Right Elevation







Retaining wall

