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Planning Commission Hearing Date: September 9, 2021 Board of Commissioners Hearing Date: September 30, 2021

STAFF ANALYSIS

| Case No.: | CZ-21-1245061 | Agenda #: N10 | | |
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| Location/Address: | 3458 Mountain Drive | Commission District: 4 Super District: 6 | | |
| Parcel ID(s): | 15-251-01-028 | | | |
| Request: | A Major Modification of the conditional site plan and other conditions of MU-5 (Mixed Use Very High Density) zoning approved pursuant to CZ-18-22125, to change the mixture of multifamily, office, and retail land uses, and to revise the single-family detached and townhome exterior designs. | | | |
| Property Owner(s): | Avondale Park, LLC | | | |
| Applicant/Agent: | Avondale Park, LLC c/o Battle Law P.C. | Avondale Park, LLC c/o Battle Law P.C. | | |
| Acreage: | 9.30 acres | | | |
| Existing Land Use: | Undeveloped, cleared for construction | | | |
| Surrounding Properties: | To the northwest, north, and northeast: the Oa the DeKalb County Tax Commissioner's Office Court; to the south and southwest: the Park P Court single-family subdivision. | ; to the southeast: DeKalb County Juvenile | | |
| Adjacent Zoning: | North: MR-2 South: O-I East: C-1 West: R-7 Southeast: O-I Southwest: O-I | 75 Northeast: MR-2 Northwest: MR-2 | | |
| Comprehensive Plan: | RC (Regional Center) | Consistent Inconsistent | | |

| Proposed Density: 22 units/acre | Existing Density: N.A. (undeveloped) |
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| Proposed Units/Square Ft.: 209 units/42,981 s.f. office and retail floor area | Existing Units/Square Feet: N.A. (undeveloped) |
| Proposed Lot Coverage: varies by land use type; highest: 74.3 % for mixed commercial/residential bldg. | Existing Lot Coverage: None (undeveloped) |
| Proposed Open Space: 21.6% | |

ZONING HISTORY

The subject property was rezoned from R-75 to C-1 in 1985. The 2015 proposal rezoned the property from C-1 (Local Commercial) to PC-3 (Pedestrian Community). PC-3 was converted to MU-5 when the zoning map was updated in September 2015.

In 2015, the Board of Commissioners (BOC) approved a redevelopment proposal for the site, pursuant to CZ-15-19943, which consisted of 11 single-family lots, 35 townhome units, 60 multifamily residential units, 149,100 square feet of office space, and 35,700 square feet of retail space. The BOC approved conditions regarding the site plan, a buffer on the west side of the property, the landscape plan, light fixtures, runoff and sedimentation, stormwater management, open space, floor area of residential units, building form, and allowed uses.

In 2018, the Board of Commissioners approved a major modification to the project (CZ-18-22125) which reduced the number of single-family detached homes, increased the number of single-family attached units, and removed multi-family units from the project. Also, the retail component of the project was significantly reduced. Additionally, modifications to building materials, landscaping, and building heights were granted.

PROJECT ANALYSIS

The applicant is seeking a major modification of project (CZ-18-22125) conditions #1, #10, and #12

"to allow for the development of a single 5-story, mixed-use building with 140 apartment units and 42,981sq. of office/retail space, in lieu of the two 8-story office buildings and one 2-story retail building shown on the 2018 approved site plan. The proposed mixed-use building consists of underground parking, office and retail space on the ground floor, and 4 floors of apartment units above. Each floor containing residential units is proposed to have a conference room, along with office services, private office space, phone lines, answering services, and more."

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: DEFERRAL.

The applicant and staff have been in regular communication regarding this request. Unfortunately, there are a number of crucial details that are unclear or deficient that need to be addressed before this request can be fully evaluated:

- 1. Provision of detailed calculations of total residential and non-residential square footages, including those of livework units, to verify compliance with mixed land use ratios;
- 2. Update data table to reflect "urban, single-family detached" instead of traditional, "single-family detached" units along with the proper proposed development standards;
- 3. Update the proposed parking for live-work units and ground floor commercial space;
- 4. Update/revise open space calculations; and
- 5. Arrive at an agreement regarding provision of an extended sidewalk to improve pedestrian access between the site and the Kensington MARTA station.

Therefore, the Department of Planning and Sustainability recommends "Deferral" of the major modification request.



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COMMENTS FORM: PUBLIC WORKS WATER AND SEWER

Case No.: <u>CZ-21-1245061</u>

Parcel I.D. #: 15 251 01 020, 15 186 04 027, & 15 186 04 028

Address: 3458, 3468, and 3478 Mountain Drive

<u>Decatur, Georgia</u>

WATER:

| Size of existing water main: | 6" CI and 16" DI Water Main | (adequate/inadequate) |
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Distance from property to nearest main: <u>Adjacent to Property</u>

Size of line required, if inadequate: <u>N/A</u>

SEWER:

Outfall Servicing Project: <u>Indian Creek Basin</u>

Is sewer adjacent to property: Yes () No (X) If no, distance to nearest line: <u>Approximately 318 feet West of property</u>

Water Treatment Facility: <u>Snapfinger WTF</u> () adequate () inadequate

Sewage Capacity; <u>*</u> (MGPD)

Current Flow: <u>21.77</u> (MGPD)

COMMENTS:

* Please note that the sewer capacity has not been reviewed or approved for this project. A Sewer Capacity Request (SCR) must be completed and submitted for review. This can be a lengthy process and should be addressed early in the process. Will need permission from Director to tap less than 8" or greater than 12" water line. Will need sewer capacity approval. Suspect capacity limited ocatton. - D Taylor

Signature: _____

Zoning

N1. No Comment

N2. Panola Road is classified as a Major Arterial. Infrastructure requirements: 50 foot right of way dedication from centerline or such that all public infrastructure is within public right of way, whichever greater, 6 foot sidewalk, 4 foot bike lane (or 10 foot multiuse path in lieu of required bike lanes and 6 foot sidewalk), 10 foot landscape strip and street lights. Young Road is classified as a collector road. Infrastructure requirements: 35 foot right of way, whichever greater, 6 foot sidewalk, 4 foot bike path of way, whichever greater, 6 foot sidewalk, 4 foot bike path (or 10 foot multiuse path in lieu of required bike lanes and 6 foot sidewalk), 10 foot landscape strip of way, whichever greater, 6 foot sidewalk, 4 foot bike path (or 10 foot multiuse path in lieu of required bike lanes and 6 foot sidewalk), 10 foot landscape strip and street lights. The access point on Young Road must be right in/right out only and be located father from the intersection of Young Road at Panola Road. See Land Development Code Section 14-200 (6) for required minimum spacing to get proper offset from the Family Dollar access point. Verify that the access point meets intersection and stopping sight distance based on AASHTO design guidelines when submitting for permitting.

N3. No file forwarded for review.

N4. North Druid Hills is classified as a Major Arterial. Driveway is to be right in/right out only. Verify that the access point meets intersection and stopping sight distance based on AASHTO design guidelines when submitting for permitting. Raise the curb along North Druid Hills to current standards. Infrastructure requirements: 50 foot right of way dedication from centerline or such that all public infrastructure is within public right of way, whichever greater, 6 foot sidewalk, 4 foot bike lane (or 10 foot multiuse path in lieu of required bike lanes and 6 foot sidewalk), 10 foot landscape strip and street lights.

N5. No Comment

N6. No file forwarded for review.

N7. Memorial Drive is a state route. Review and approval of GDOT District 7 is required prior to a land disturbance permit (<u>rmathis@dot.ga.gov</u>) Memorial Drive is classified as a Major Arterial. Infrastructure Requirements: 50 foot right of way dedication from centerline or such that all public infrastructure is within public right of way, whichever greater, 6 foot sidewalk, 4 foot bike lane (or 10 foot multiuse path in lieu of required bike lanes and 6 foot sidewalk), 10 foot landscape strip and street lights. East Anderson Road is classified as a local road. The Land Development Code requires improvements on all property frontages. Infrastructure is within public right of way, whichever greater, 5 foot right of way, dedication from centerline or such that all public infrastructure is within public right of way, whichever greater, 5 foot sidewalk, 6 foot landscape strip and street lights. A variance from the Zoning Board of Appeals for the Zoning Code requirements is necessary to eliminate the infrastructure improvements. However, the Transportation Division requires that the right of way dedication of 27.5 feet from centerline be donated- even if ZBA variances for sidewalks, streetlights, etc. are granted. The Land Development Code Section 14-200 (5) requires 3 access points for 170 units. If you propose over 150 units, you will need a variance from the BOC for the Land Development Code prior to approval of the land development permit. You will also need a variance from the BOC if you do not dedicate the right of way on East Anderson Road.

N8. No file forwarded for review.

N9. Columbia Drive is classified as a minor arterial. . Infrastructure Requirements: 40 foot right of way dedication from centerline or such that all public infrastructure is within public right of way, whichever greater, 6 foot sidewalk, 4 foot bike lane (or 10 foot multiuse path in lieu of required bike lanes and 6 foot sidewalk), 10 foot landscape strip and street lights. Interior roads to be private. Only one access point (30 units). Verify that the access point meets intersection and stopping sight distance based on AASHTO design guidelines when submitting for permitting.

N10. No Comment

N11. No Comment

N12. No Comment.

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Board of Health

08/20/2021

- To: Planning & Sustainability Department
- From: Ryan Cira, Environmental Health Manager
- Cc: Alan Gaines, Technical Services Manager
- Re: Rezone Application Review

General Comments:

DeKalb County Health Regulations prohibit use of on-site sewage disposal systems for

- multiple dwellings
- food service establishments
- hotels and motels
- commercial laundries
- funeral homes
- schools
- nursing care facilities
- personal care homes with more than six (6) clients
- child or adult day care facilities with more than six (6) clients
- residential facilities containing food service establishments

If proposal will use on-site sewage disposal, please contact the Land Use Section (404) 508-7900.

Any proposal, which will alter wastewater flow to an on-site sewage disposal system, must be reviewed by this office prior to construction.

This office must approve any proposed food service operation, tourist accommodation or swimming pool prior to starting construction.

Public health recommends the inclusion of sidewalks to continue a preexisting sidewalk network or begin a new sidewalk network. Sidewalks can provide safe and convenient pedestrian access to a community-oriented facility and access to adjacent facilities and neighborhoods.

For a public transportation route, there shall be a 5ft. sidewalk with a buffer between the sidewalk and the road. There shall be enough space next to sidewalk for bus shelter's concrete pad installation.

Since DeKalb County is classified as a Zone 1 radon county, this office recommends the use of radon resistant construction.

DeKalb County Board of Health 445 Winn Way – Box 987 Decatur, GA 30031 404.294.3700 • www.dekalbhealth.net

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Board of Health

| N.9 | Z-21-1245080 | 2021-2910/15 | -186-04-028,15-186-04-029 |
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| | 1484 Columbia Drive, Decatur, GA 30032 | Acres:2.29 | District 03 Super District 07 |
| | -Please review general comments. | | |
| | -Research indicates onsite septic system ir Columbia Drive (surrounding area of 1484 | | //2013 at 1530 Columbia Drive and on 08/15/2006 at 1497 |
| | | | |
| N.10 | CZ-21-1245061 | 2021-2903/15 | -251-01-020,15-251-01-027,15-251-01-028 |
| | 3458 Mountain Drive, Decatur, GA 30032 | Acres: 9.30 | District 04 Super District 06 |
| | -Please review general comments. | | |
| | -Research indicates onsite septic system ir | nstalled on 08/05 | i/1996 at 3402 Mountain Drive (surrounding area). |
| | | | |
| N.11 | SLUP-21-1245087 | 2021-2909/15 | -148-02-029 |
| | 1748 Pine Trail, Atlanta, GA 30316 | Acres: 1.01 | District 03 Super District 06 |
| | -Please review general comments. | | |
| | | | |
| N.12 | SLUP-21-1245110 | 2021-2909/16 | -188-03-006 |
| | 1816 Enid Drive, Lithonia, GA 30058 | Acre:0.47 | District 05 Super District 07 |
| | -Please review general comments. | | |
| | Research indicates onsite septic system ins | stalled on 11/29/ | '172 and 05/15/1992 at location. |

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DeKalb County School District Development Review Comments

| Submitted to: | DeKalb County | Case #: Parcel #: | CZ-21-1245061 15-251-01-020/-027/-028 |
|-----------------------------------|--|----------------------|--|
| Name of Development: Location: | Avondale Park 3458 Mountain Drive | | |
| Description: | Mixed-use development with 51 single-far apartments. | nily attached, 1 | 8 single-family detatched, and 140 |
| Impact of Development: | When fully constructed this development | would be expe | cted to generate 46 students: 2 at A |

Impact of Development: When fully constructed, this development would be expected to generate 46 students: 2 at Avondale Elementary School, 3 at Druid Hills Middle School, 6 at Druid Hills High School, 25 at other DCSD schools, and 10 at private school. Druid Hills High School is expected to be at or above capacity. However, the impact from this development is expected to be minimal.

| Current Condition of Schools | Avondale Elementary School | Druid Hills Middle School | Druid Hills High School | Other DCSD Schools | Private Schools | Total |
|-------------------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|-------|
| Capacity | 495 | 1,175 | 1,392 | | | |
| Portables | 0 | 0 | 0 | | | |
| Enrollment (Fcast. Oct. 2021) | 412 | 974 | 1,405 | | | |
| Seats Available | 83 | 201 | -13 | | | |
| Utilization (%) | 83.2% | 82.9% | 100.9% | | | |
| New students from development | 2 | 3 | 6 | 25 | 10 | 46 |
| New Enrollment | 414 | 977 | 1,411 | 1 | | |
| New Seats Available | 81 | 198 | -19 | | | |
| New Utilization | 83.6% | 83.1% | 101.4% | | | |

| | | Attend | Attend other | | |
|----------------------|------------|---------------|--------------|---------|--------|
| | | Home | DCSD | Private | |
| Yield Rates | | School | School | School | Total |
| Elementary | | 0.0114 | 0.0785 | 0.0303 | 0.0401 |
| Middle | | 0.0133 | 0.0321 | 0.0152 | 0.0202 |
| High | | 0.0310 | 0.0116 | 0.0053 | 0.0159 |
| Total | | 0.0186 | 0.0407 | 0.0169 | 0.0254 |
| Student Calculations | | | | | |
| Proposed Units | | 209 | ٦ | | |
| Unit Type | Ν | lixed | | | |
| Cluster | Druid Hill | s High School | | | |
| | | Attend | Attend other | | |
| | | Home | DCSD | Private | |
| Units x Yield | | School | School | School | Total |
| Elementary | | 2.39 | 16.40 | 6.34 | 25.13 |
| Middle | | 2.78 | 6.71 | 3.17 | 12.66 |
| High | | 6.47 | 2.41 | 1.11 | 9.99 |
| Total | | 11.64 | 25.52 | 10.62 | 47.78 |
| | | Attend | Attend other | | |
| | | Home | DCSD | Private | |
| Anticipated Stude | ents | School | School | School | Total |
| Avondale Elementary | | 2 | 16 | 6 | 24 |
| Druid Hills Middle S | chool | 3 | 7 | 3 | 13 |
| Druid Hills High Sc | hool | 6 | 2 | 1 | 9 |
| Total | | 11 | 25 | 10 | 46 |





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COMMENTS FORM: PUBLIC WORKS TRAFFIC ENGINEERING

| Case No.: Z-11-1245061 Parcel Address: 3458, 3468, 3476 Marshaul M. | 1.D. =: 15-251-01-020,027,028 |
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| , | Adjacent Roadway (s): |
| (classification) | (classification) |
| Capacity (TPD) | Capacity (TPD) |
| Latest Count (TPD) | Latest Count (TPD) |
| Hourly Capacity (VPH) | Hourly Capacity (VPH) |
| Peak Hour, Volume (VPH)_ | Peak Hour, Volume (VPH) |
| Existing number of traffic la | nes Existing number of traffic lanes |
| Existing right of way width | Existing right of way width |

Please provide additional information relating to the following statement:

Proposed number of traffic lanes

Proposed right of way width

According to studies conducted by the Institute of Traffic Engineers (ITE) <u>6/7¹¹¹</u> Edition (whichever is applicable), churches generate an average of fifteen (15) vehicle trip end (VTE) per 1, 000 square feet of floor area, with an eight (8%) percent peak hour factor. Based on the above formula, the ______square foot place of worship building would generate ______vehicle trip ends, with approximately _____peak hour vehicle trip ends.

Proposed number of traffic lanes

Proposed right of way width

Single Family residence, on the other hand, would generate ten (10) VTE's per day per dwelling unit, with a ten (10%) percent peak hour factor. Based on the above referenced formula, the ______(Single Family Residential) District designation which allows a maximum of ______units per acres, and the given fact that the project site is approximately _____acres in land area, _____daily vehicle trip end, and _____peak hour vehicle trip end would be generated with residential development of the parcel.

COMMENTS:

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DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING & SUSTAINABILITY

| MAJOR MODIFICATION APPLICA | TION |
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| Existing Conditional Zoning No.: MU-5 | |
|--|-----------------|
| APPLICANT NAME: Avondale Park LLC c/o Battle Law P.C. | |
| Daytime Phone#: <u>404-601-7616</u> Fax #: <u>404-745-0045</u> E-mail: <u>mlb@battlelawpc.com</u> | |
| Mailing Address: One West Court Square, Suite 750, Decatur, GA 30030 | |
| OWNER NAME: Avondale Park LLC one owner, attach contact information for each owner) | _ (If more than |
| Daytime Phone#: <u>404-957-3207</u> Fax #: <u>E-mail:</u> <u>carlos@proterra.us</u> | |
| Mailing Address: 133 Johnson Ferry Road, Suite 500, Marietta, GA 30068 | |
| SUBJECT PROPERTY ADDRESS OR LOCATION: 3458, 3468, 3478 Mountain Drive, Decatur, GA 3002 | <u>32</u> |
| , DeKalb County, GA, | - |
| District(s): <u>15</u> Land Lot(s): <u>251</u> Block(s): <u>01</u> Parcel(s): <u>028, 020, 027</u> | |
| Acreage or Square Feet: 9.304 acres Commission District(s): 4 & 6 Existing Zoning: MU-5 | |
| I hereby authorize the staff of the Planning and Development Department to inspect the property that is the sub- application. | ject of this |
| Have you, the applicant, made a campaign contribution of \$250.00 or more to a DeKalb County government of the two year period that precedes the cate on which you are filing this application? X Yes No If "yes", see page 4. (Conflict of Interest in Zoning Act, O.C.G.A., Chapter 36-67A) | ficial within |
| Owner: X Agent: (Check One) AVONDALE PARK, LLC | |
| Signature of Applicant: By: | |
| Printed Name of Applicant: Felipe Castellanos Major Modification Appl | lication |
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July 8, 2021

Brandon White DeKalb County Planning & Sustainability 330 W. Ponce de Leon Avenue Decatur, GA 30030

RE: Avondale Park Major Modification Application, Decatur, GA, 30032

Dear Brandon,

We hereby submit this amended Major Modification Application in reference to the abovementioned application, located on Mountain Drive, Decatur, GA. With this amended application, we added a request to alter the elevations for single family-detached and -attached homes that were previously approved with the application CZ-18-22125. Please find the updated Statement of Intent and elevations, attached. Thank you.

Best,

Dani Blumenthal

Danielle Blumenthal Urban Planner Email: dlb@battlelawpc.com



DANIELLE L. BLUMENTHAL Urban Planner

June 4, 2021

RE: A Proposed Major Modification at 3458, 3468, 3478 Mountain Drive, Decatur, Georgia 30032

Dear Property Owner:

We would like for you to join our Zoom Video Meeting Wednesday, June 23, 2021 from 6:00pm – 7:00pm to discuss a proposed Major Modification for properties located at 3458, 3468, 3478 Mountain Drive, Decatur, Georgia 30032. Our client, Avondale Park, LLC. is seeking to change conditions for the property to allow for the development of a 5-story live work building in lieu of the 3 previously approved 8-story office and retail buildings.

Below are the meeting instructions. There are multiple ways for you to join the meeting, including via your computer, tablet, or cell phone, with or without video. If you are unable to make it, but would like to learn more, please contact our Junior Zoning Paralegal, Brittney Butler, at (404) 601-7616 ext. 7 or email her at <u>btb@battlelawpc.com</u> and she will send you a summary of the meeting.

You are invited to a Zoom meeting.

When: Jun 23, 2021 06:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Register in advance for this meeting: <u>https://otago.zoom.us/join</u>

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.

Meeting ID: 848 2793 1213

Passcode: 626671

Please contact our offices if you have any questions regarding the meeting.

Sincerely,

Daniello, Blumenthal

Dani Blumenthal

One West Court Square, Suite 750 Decatur, Georgia 30030 Phone: 404.601.7616 • Fax: 404.745.0045 • dlb@battlelawpc.com



Zoom Step by Step Instructions

Go to <u>https://otago.zoom.us/join</u> and Enter the Meeting ID that you have been provided with in the appropriate field and click "Join" (the meeting ID will be a 9 digit or 10 digit number)

If joining from a mobile Device

If you are joining from a mobile device (Android smartphone/tablet, Apple iPhone/iPad) then it will simply prompt you to download the Zoom Cloud Meeting app from the App/Play Store.

If joining from a computer

When entering a Zoom meeting for the first time from a computer you may need to download a small application file. This process is easy to complete on all commonly used browsers. Google Chrome should automatically download the file.

Just before Entering the meeting you will be prompted to enter a display name. This name is simply to identify you in the meeting.

Join Audio via Computer

You will then be prompted how you wish to join your audio. If you wish to join audio via the telephone, follow the instructions further down, otherwise simply select Join Computer by Audio

Join Audio via Telephone

Dial in as using the number provided, however after entering the Meeting ID, you will be prompted to enter your Participant ID/Password. Simply enter this number followed by # and the video audio will then be synchronized.

Raising Your Hand

As the non-speaker if you wish to ask a question or make a point during the meeting it's good protocol to use the "Raise Hand" facility.

If the tool bar is not showing at the bottom of the Zoom window, place your cursor over the Zoom window so it appears and select the "Participants" icon.

A window listing other participants will appear, there is also a "Raise Hand" icon, click the icon to make it known to the Host that you would like to raise your hand.

If you wish to lower your hand, click the "Lower Hand" icon that will have replaced the "Raise Hand" icon.

Leave Meeting

To leave a meeting from Zoom on your desktop, select "End Meeting" then "Leave Meeting."

| First Name Last Name | e Email | Registration Time Approval Status |
|----------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Morgan Rowe | morganroweband@gmail.com | 6/23/2021 9:14 approved |
| | bdc@battlelawpc.com | 6/23/2021 17:51 approved |
| Jessica | jessicagreen2k4@yahoo.com | 6/23/2021 18:28 approved |
| Constance White | conniewhite652@gmail.com | 6/21/2021 10:34 approved |
| Angela Cameron | cameron.angie@gmail.com | 6/16/2021 19:08 approved |
| Galaxy S10e | glendalemjones@yahoo.com | 6/23/2021 18:02 approved |
| Brittney Butler | btb@battlelawpc.com | 6/23/2021 18:14 approved |
| Emily Halevy | evh271@gmail.com | 6/23/2021 17:59 approved |
| P. Zamboni | pzandgz@gmail.com | 6/23/2021 13:25 approved |
| Roshonda Dennis | 2rodennis@gmail.com | 6/17/2021 11:27 approved |
| William Shahan | ashahan@emory.edu | 6/21/2021 15:42 approved |
| | jtm@battlelawpc.com | 6/23/2021 15:41 approved |
| Akosua Nyannor | Akosuan@hotmail.com | 6/23/2021 18:00 approved |
| M Figueroa | miguel.figueroa@yahoo.com | 6/23/2021 18:04 approved |
| Brian Hammer | tbbchammer@gmail.com | 6/11/2021 7:28 approved |
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DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING & SUSTAINABILITY

AUTHORIZATION

The property owner should complete this form or a similar, signed and notarized form if the individual who will file the application with the County is not the property owner.

Date: 6 17/21

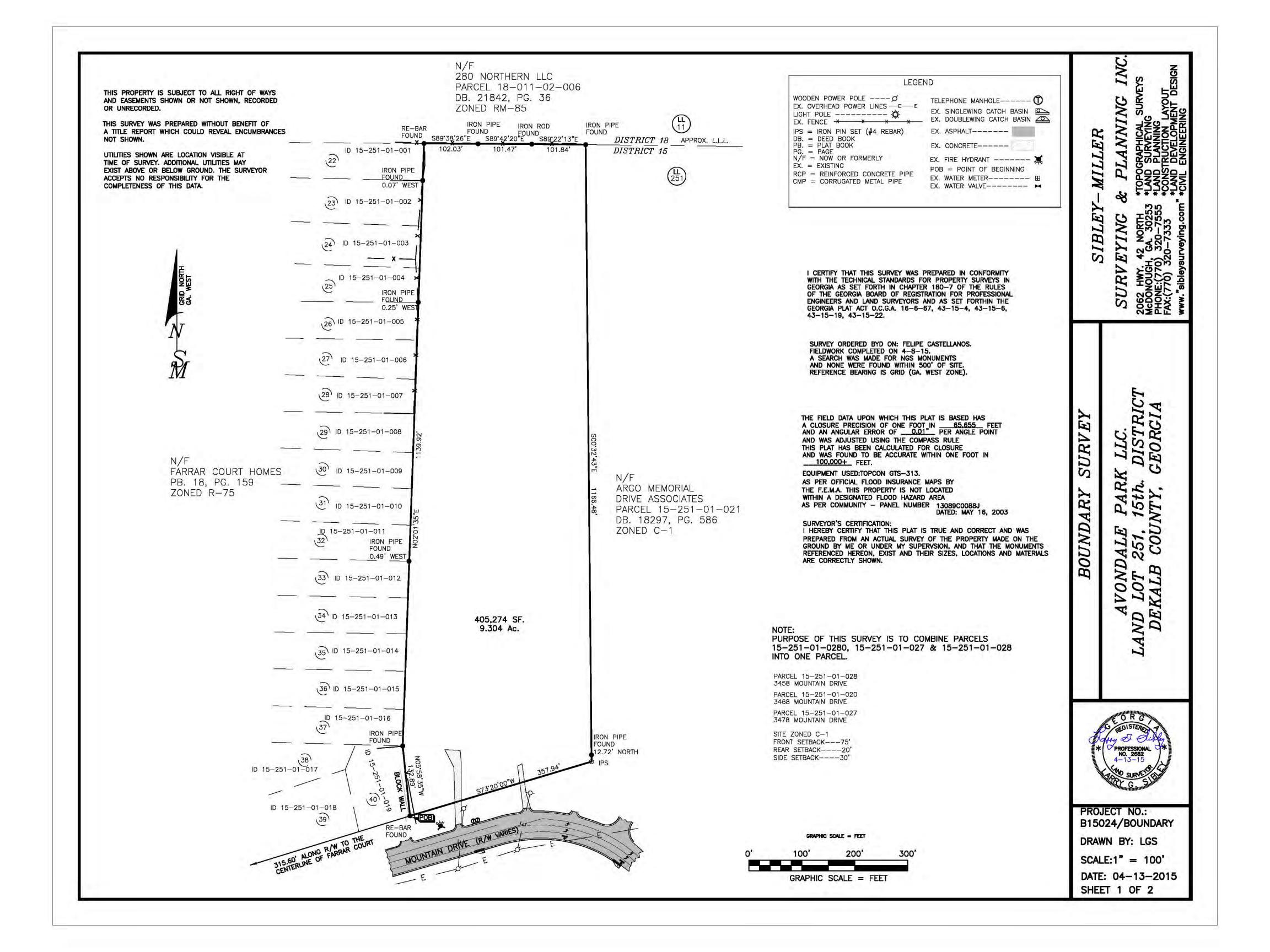
TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

(I), (WE), <u>Avondale Park, LLC</u> Name of Owner(s)

being (owner) (owners) of the subject property described below or attached hereby delegate authority to

Avondale Park, LLC c/o Battle Law, P.C.

| | Name of Applicant or Repr | esentative | |
|---|--|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| to file an application on (my), (our) behalf. | 1 | | |
| | Avondale Park, Ll | LC | |
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LEGAL DESCRIPTION

All that tract or parcel of land lying and being in land lot 251 of the 15th. district of Dekalb County, Georgia, and being more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a re-bar found on the North right of way of Mountain Drive, said point being 315.60' as measured along the North right of way of Mountain Drive from the centerline of Farrar Court; thence N 05'58'35" W a distance of 132.89'to a iron pipe found; thence N 02'01'35" E a distance of 1139.92'to a re-bar found; thence S 89'38'26" E a distance of 102.03'to a iron pipe found; thence S 89'42'20" E a distance of 101.47'to a iron rod found; thence S 89'42'20" E a distance of 101.84'to a iron pipe found; thence S 00'32'43" E a distance of 1166.48' to a re-bar set; thence S 73'20'00" W a distance of 357.94'to re-bar found; which is the point of beginning, having an area of 405,274 square feet, 9.304 acres.

| Comm | HLL |
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Item No. 2018-1912 Date: 8 /28/18

Approved Conditions Unofficial until ratified by the Board te: 828 [8] Initials: ______

Clerk's Office

RECOMMENDED CONDITIONS

CZ-18-22125 Major Modification of Zoning Conditions of CZ-15-19943

X 1. The project site shall be developed in substantial conformity with the location of streets, land uses and buildings as shown on the site plan titled "Proposed Development at Avondale Park", prepared by Proterra Development LLC, dated June13, 2018. A buffer with a depth of 10 to 20 feet shall be provided between the proposed alley ("Catalan Circle") of the proposed townhomes and the western property line (abutting the Farrar Court single-family subdivision) as shown on the aforementioned site plan. Existing trees within the transitional buffer shall be preserved and supplemented with new trees to form an effective visual screen as approved by the County Arborist. Invasive species such as bamboo may be removed from the buffer and additional plantings can be added to form a visual screen. Where invasive species are removed from the buffer, special consideration shall be given to prevent erosion and sedimentation during construction. A screen shall be installed along the entire length of the west property line and at the rear property lines of the single-family homes along the east property line, which shall consist of 1) an opaque fence with the finished side facing outwards and with a height of a minimum of six feet and 2) sufficient numbers of the following trees to provide a solid screen at maturity: arbor vitae, cryptomeria, or giant arbor vitae.

2. The landscape plan will be in substantial compliance to Exhibit E Avondale Park. comply with Article 5 and Chapter 14 of the DeKalb County Code. If trees are replaced in the buffer, the preferred trees are one of or a combination of white oak, shumard red oak, southern red oak, or northern red oak. These are also the preferred trees for street trees within the development. The final landscaping plan shall be approved by the County arborist and shall take into consideration the recompense required under the tree ordinance. Within the development street trees may be planted off the right-of-way if they would otherwise interfere with buried utilities. Recompense should take place within the-immediate vicinity of the development along Mountain Drive or along Farrar Court.

3. The development shall comply with Sketch Plan requirements for subdivision prior to the issuance of a Land Disturbance Permit.

4. An outdoor lighting plan shall be submitted, reviewed, and approved by the Planning and Sustainability Department for compliance to the regulations of Section 27-5.6.1 of the County Code prior to the issuance of any building permits. The residential fixtures will be the "Savannah" lamp. Drop dish refractors are prohibited.

5. During construction, the Developer shall post a contact phone number that nearby residents can call to discuss development and construction issues. The developer shall use temporary Best Management Practices (BMPs) for run-off and temporary sedimentation storage in compliance with Section 14.38 (Soil Erosion and Sediment Control) subject to approval of the Land Development Division of the Planning and Sustainability Department. If the Land Development Division determines that the property owners of Farrar Court (in particular those who will not have the benefit of an undisturbed buffer) are susceptible to damage from erosion, the Department may require, at a minimum, additional row(s) of silt fencing and bales of straw to protect the adjacent properties.

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6. Provide compliance with Section 14-40 and Section 14-42 of the DeKalb County Code regarding storm water management and water quality control.

7. Open space and park space shall be as shown on the site plan cited in Condition No. 1.

8. The townhomes and single-family detached units shall have a minimum floor area of 1,200 square feet.

9. All residential buildings shall be designed to have a pitched roof.

X 10. The building materials shall be those listed in Exhibit B Construction Details of CZ-15-19943. The building elevations shall be substantially similar to those depicted in Exhibit C and Exhibit D of CZ-15-19943, as attached. The facades of the parking decks shall be consistent with the remainder of the building and shall use the same buildings materials. The side elevations of all residential buildings shall have windows and architectural detailing as required in Section 275.6(I)(1) of the County Code.

11. Commercial uses shall be limited to those uses allowed in the NS (Neighborhood Shopping) uses district. The following uses are prohibited within the Project Site:

- a. Animal hospital, veterinary clinic, or boarding or breeding kennels
- b. Convent or monastery
- c. Private elementary, middle, or high school
- d. Hotel, motel, extended stay hotel/motel, or boarding or rooming house
- e. Movie theater or bowling alley
- f. Farm or garden supply store
- g. Liquor store, including retail liquor store as accessory use to hotels, motels and high rise office building
- h. Adult entertainment establishment or adult service facility
- i. Nightclubs or late-night establishments
- j. Coin-operated laundry or dry-cleaning store (specifically excluding dry-cleaning pressing establishments or pick-up stations and coin-operated laundry facilities within the interior of any multi-family apartment building)
- k. Home appliance repair or service establishment
- 1. Special events facility
- m. Drive-through facility (other than dry-cleaning pick-up station)
- n. Pawn shop
- o. Check cashing establishment
- p. Place of worship
- q. Convenience store
- r. Gas station

 \mathbf{x} 12. Maximum building heights of non-residential buildings shall be eight stories. The townhomes along the west side of the site shall be no more than 40 feet high.

13. Subject to Georgia Department of Transportation approval, the developer shall provide a 6-foot wide sidewalk and a 10-foot wide landscape strip within the Mountain Drive right-of-way prior to the

CZ-18-22125, 2018-1912 August 23, 2018 issuance of any certificates of occupancy. Within the landscape strip, provide a minimum of one street tree for every 50 feet of street frontage along Mountain Drive or as approved by the County Arborist so long as there is a minimum of seven trees.

14. Refuse areas shall be screened from public streets and shall be fenced or screened with a combination of materials and colors to match building materials of primary buildings.

15. Recycle collection bins shall be provided for the tenants residing in the townhome and multifamily buildings.

16. No direct vehicular access shall be permitted from the subject property to Farrar Court.

17. Secure bicycle storage lockers shall be provided within the parking deck of the stacked flat residential buildings. The space shall be sufficient for a minimum of 20 bikes.

18. No more than one ground sign shall be permitted on the Mountain Drive frontage. The ground sign shall be a monument style sign with a base and framework finished with brick or stone and a maximum height of 6 feet.

19. The approval of this rezoning application by the Board of Commissioners has no bearing on the requirements for other regulatory approvals under the authority of the Historic Preservation Commission, the Zoning Board of Appeals, or other entity whose decision should be based on the merits of the application under review by such entity.

20. A sidewalk shall be extended from the east property line of the subject property to the sidewalk stub located approximately 70 feet from the eastern edge of the driveway into the Tax Commissioner's office.

21. In order to save as many significant trees as possible, utilities shall be installed by tunneling under tree roots, subject to approval or waiver by the County Arborist.

22. The developer shall have a soil study and a water percolation test performed before clearing trees, shall submit the study and test results to the DeKalb County staff, who shall determine whether the site is suitable for land disturbance.

23. The developer shall notify residents of properties on Farrar Court, by way of mailbox flyers, 24 hours in advance of any blasting.

24. The proposed sidewalk along Mountain Drive shall be completed in the first phase of construction, pending GDOT approval.

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Avondale Park Construction Materials

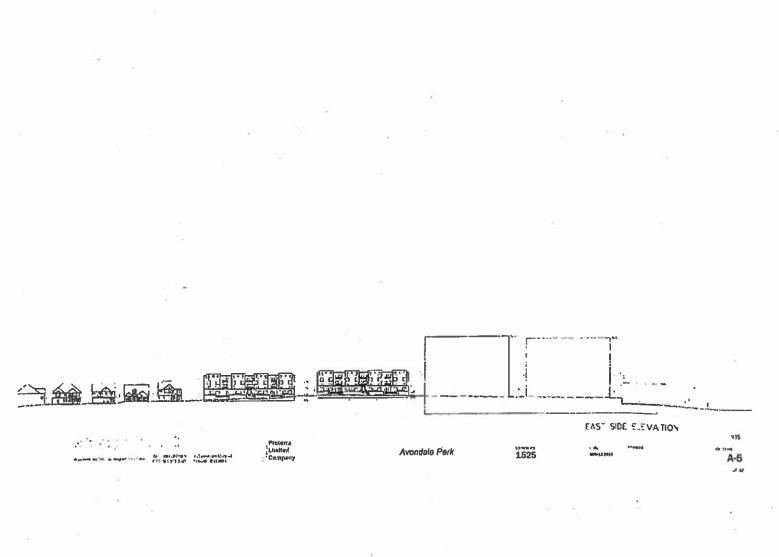
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CONSTRUCTION DETAILS

| ESIDENTIAL SINGLE FAMILY ATTACHED | | |
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| | Brick (soldier details, 45 angle details, stone detail) | |
| | Concrete composite siding (hardie plank siding, panels, shingles) | |
| | Natural Stone (stack stone, slate stone, tile stone and others) Sintetic Stone and Sintetic Stone Panels | |
| | | |
| | Real Stucco | |
| Mix-Use-Commertial/Multi-Family BLDG | | |
| | Cladding & Breakmetal (aluminum and metal panel systems) | |
| | Concrete composite panels | |
| | Glass venners and/or panels | |
| | Real Stucco | |
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| | Natural Stone (stack stone, slate stone, tile stone and others) | |
| | Sintetic Stone and Sintetic Stone Panels | |
| RETAIL BUILDINGS | | |
| | Cladding & Breakmetal (panel systems) | |
| | Concrete composite panels | |
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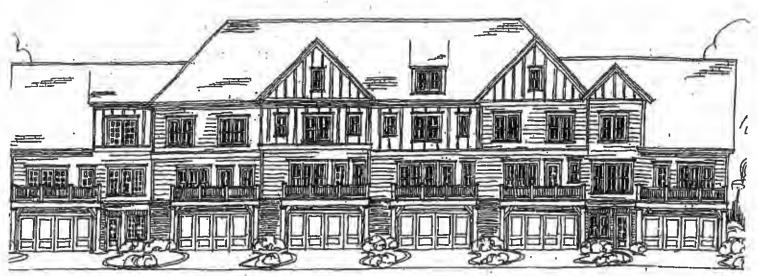
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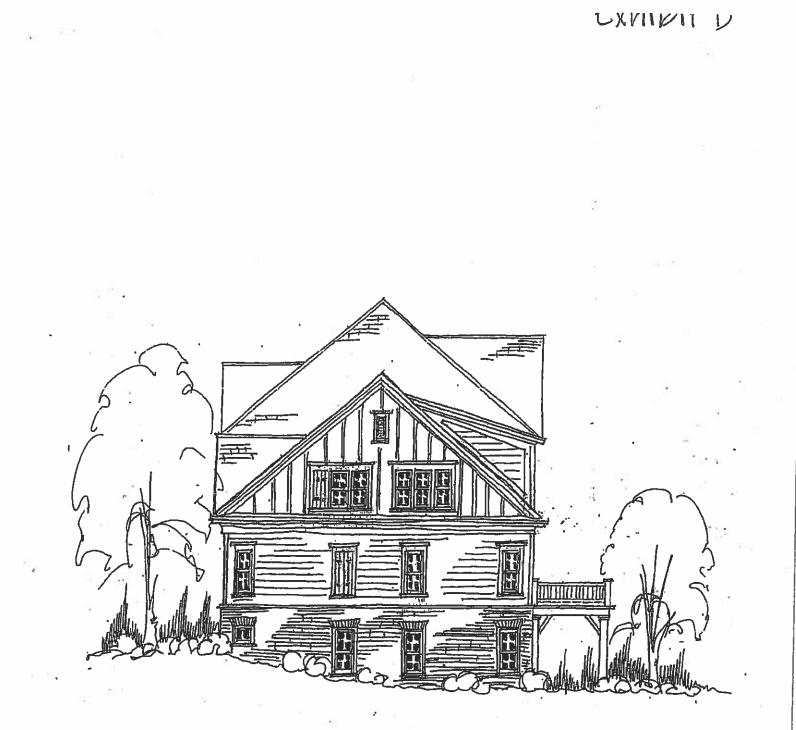
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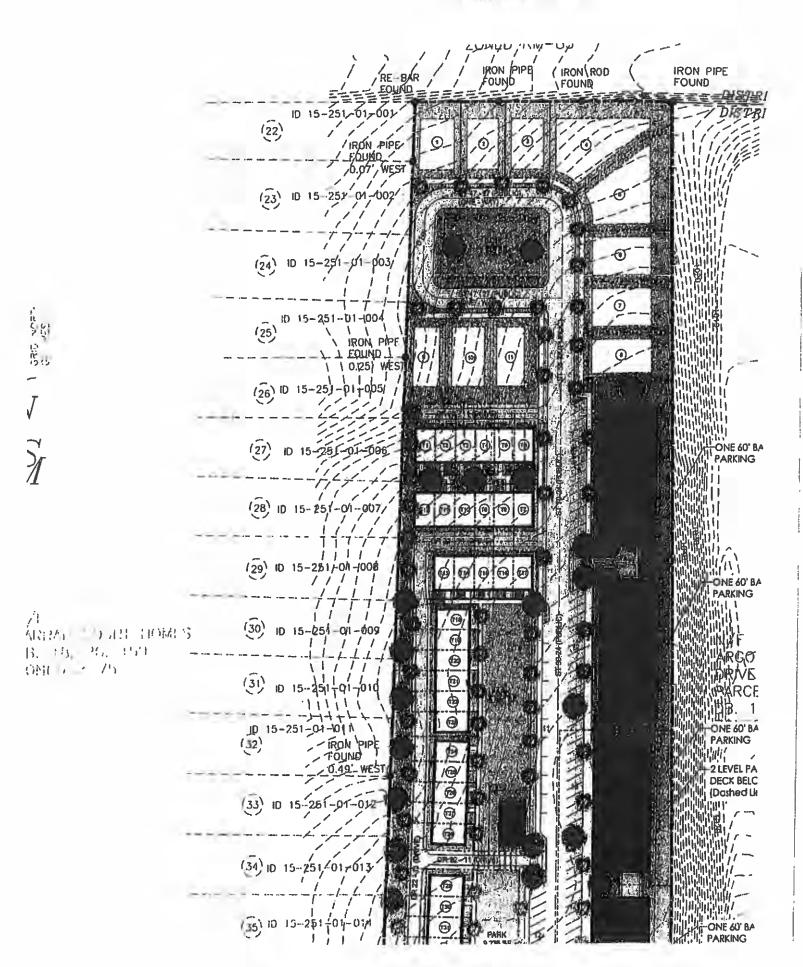
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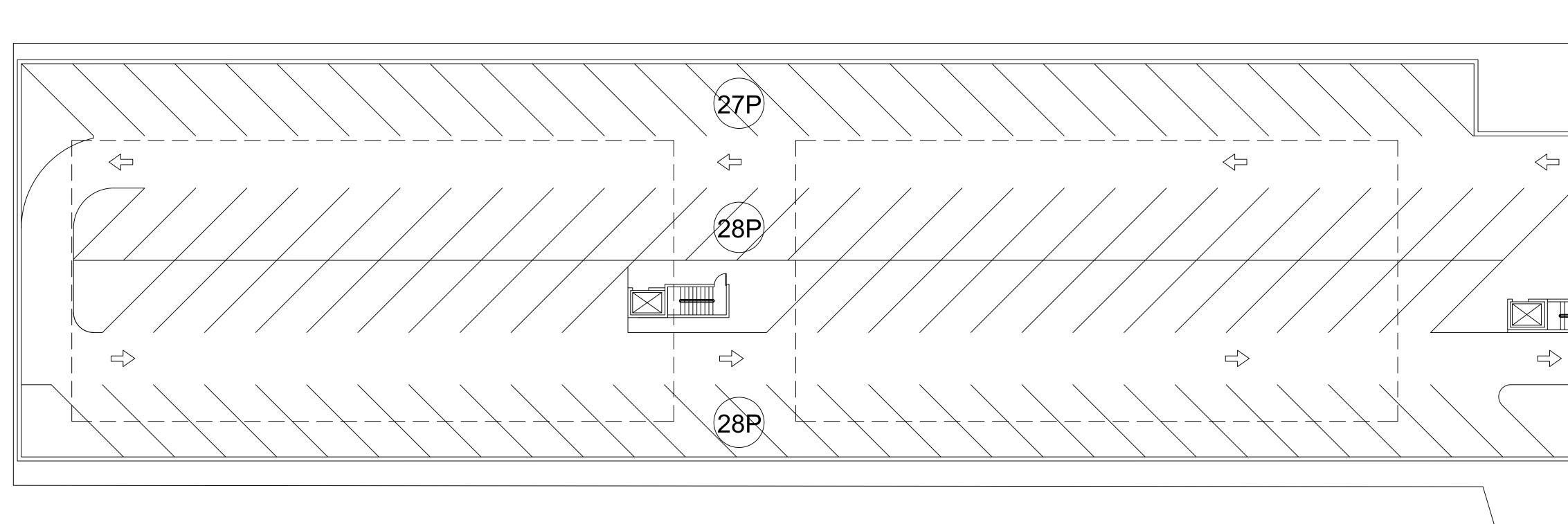
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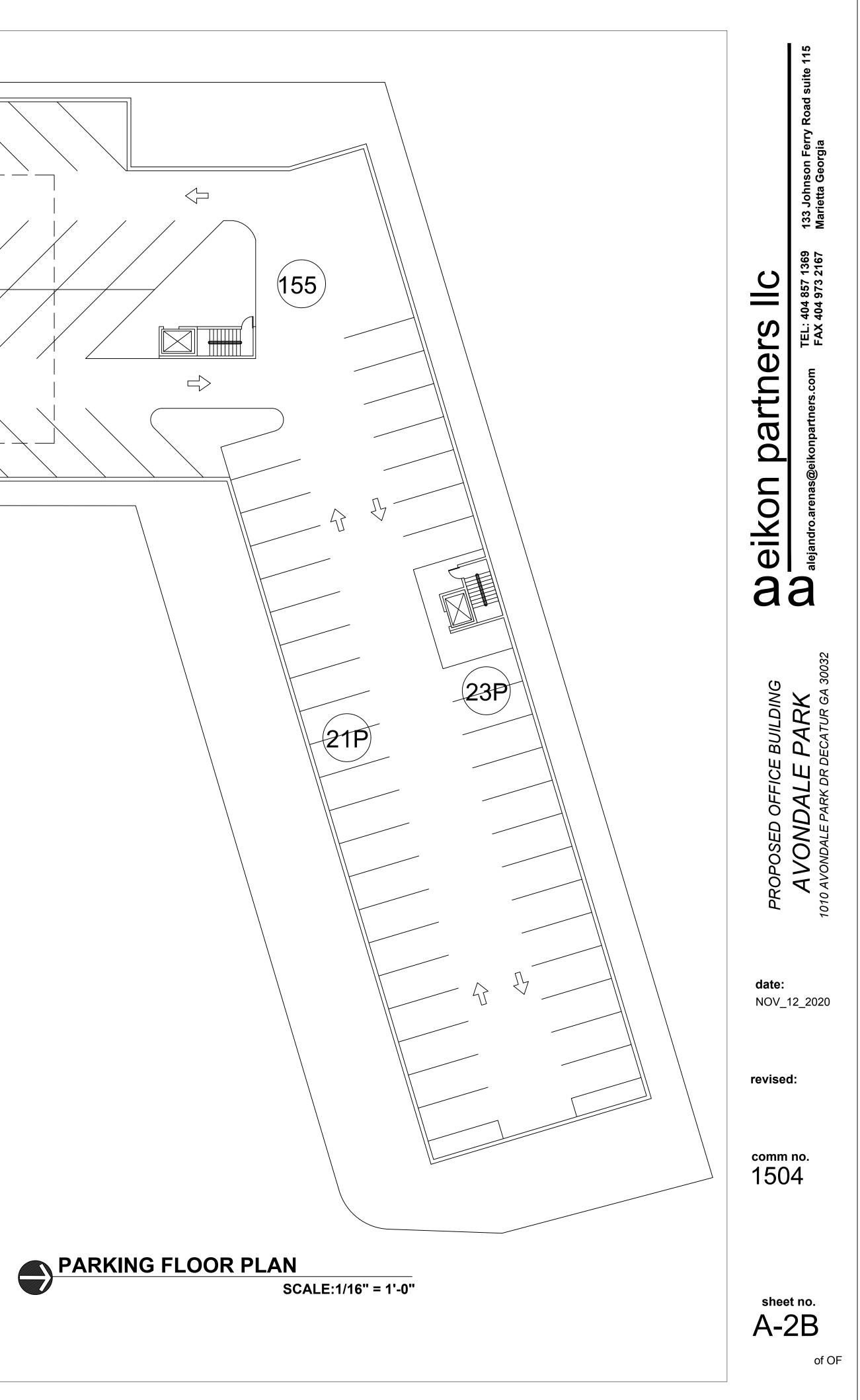


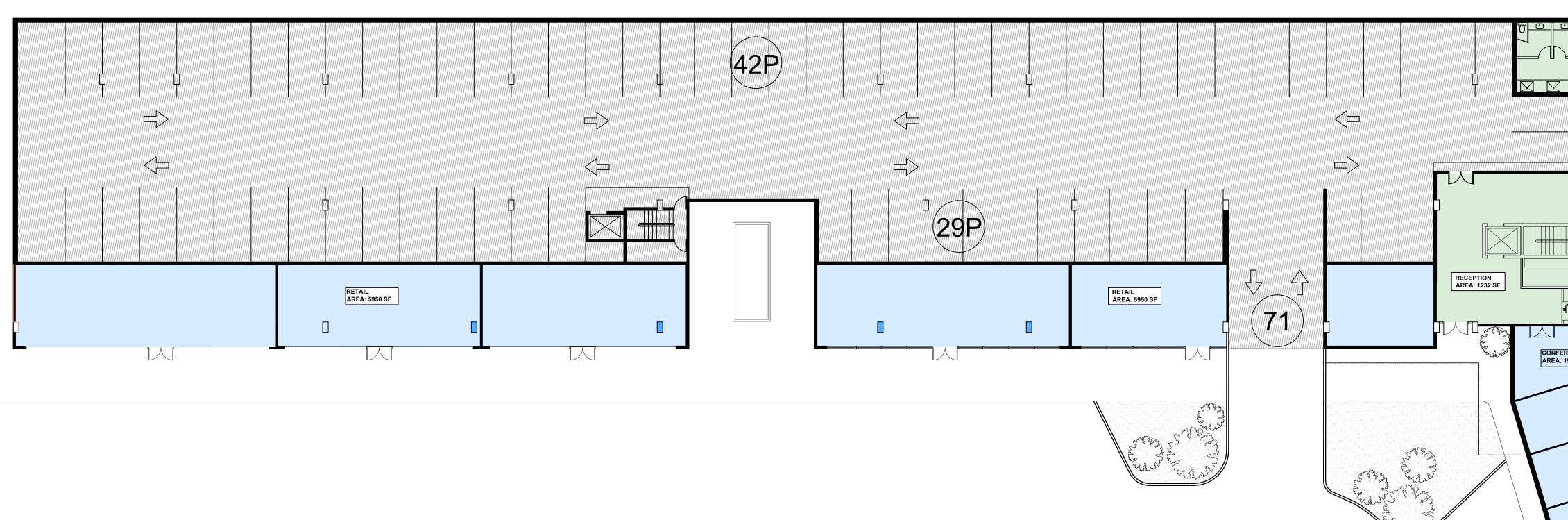
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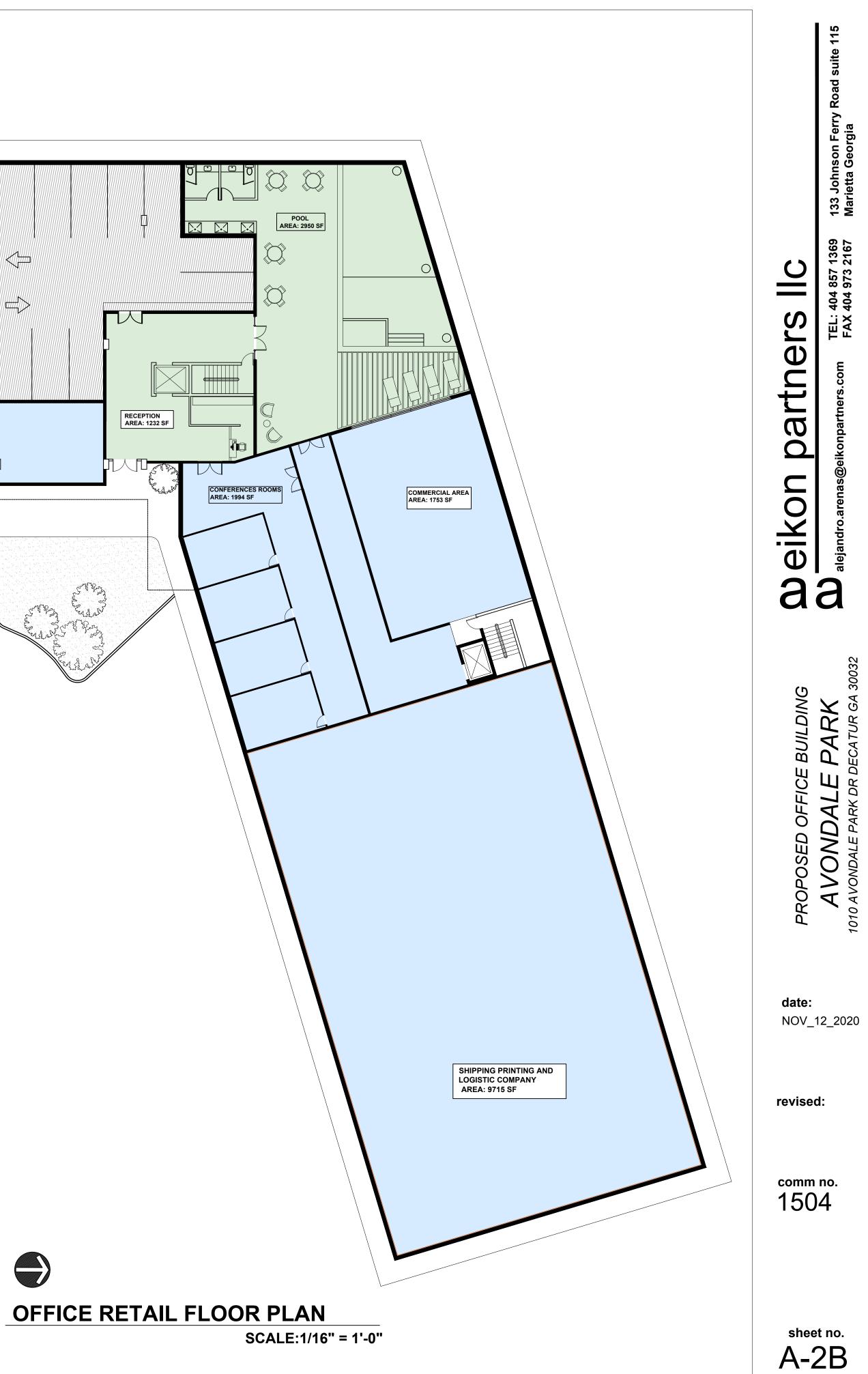








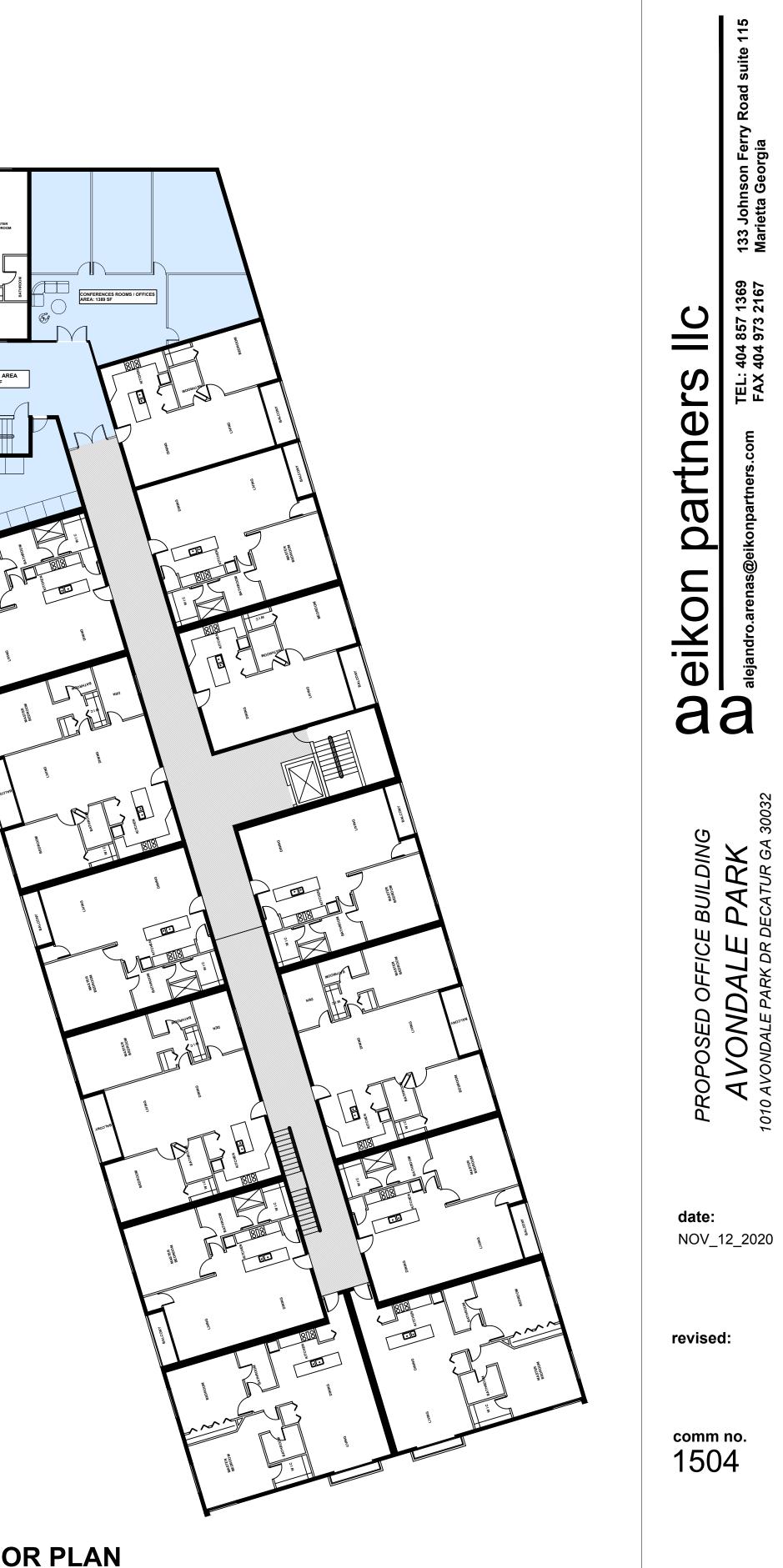




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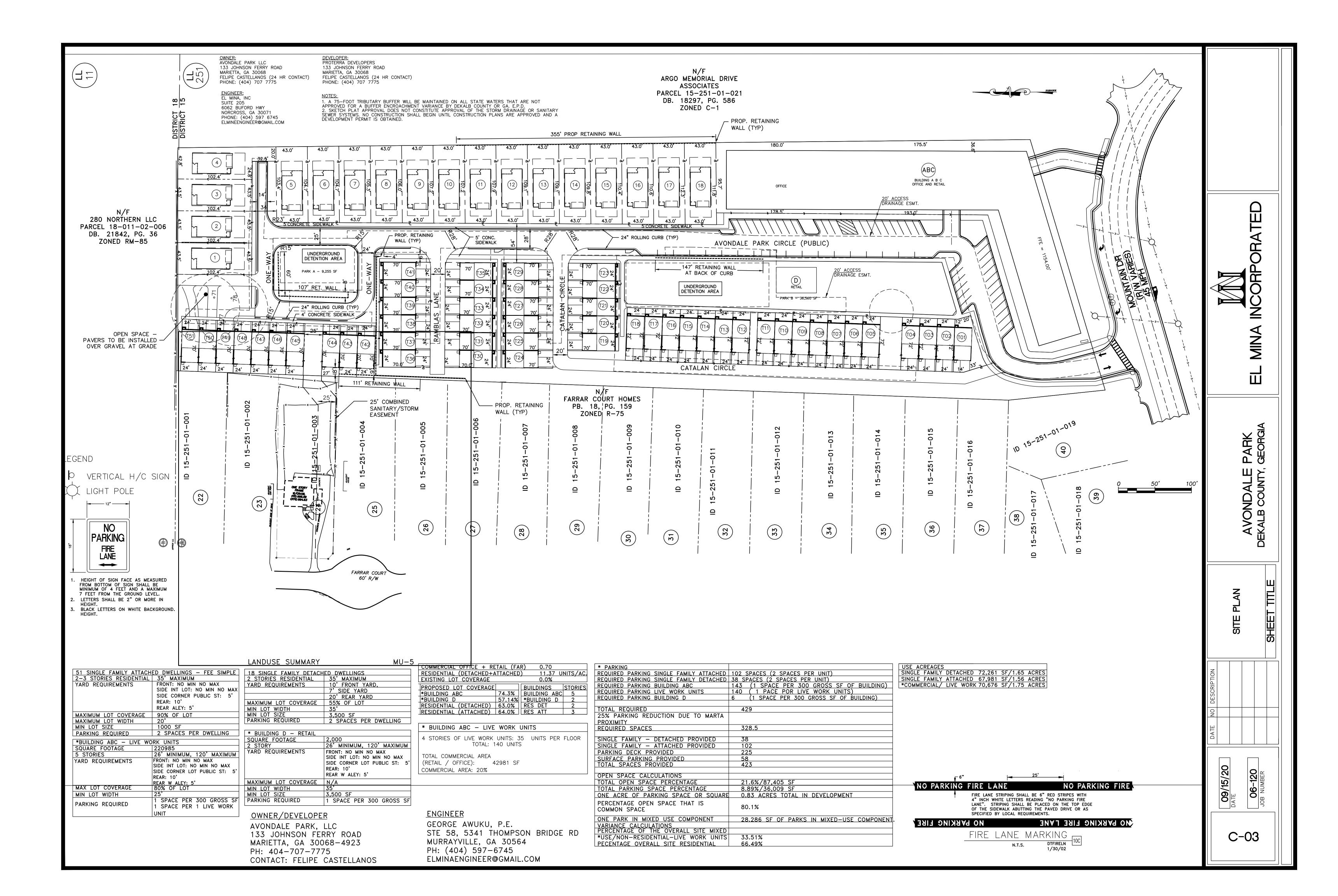


APARTMENTS FLOOR PLAN



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STATEMENT OF INTENT

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Other Material Required by DeKalb County Zoning Ordinance For A Major Modification Application Pursuant to DeKalb County Zoning Ordinance

of

Avondale Park, LLC. c/o Battle Law, P.C.

for

9.304± Acres of Land located at 3458, 3468, & 3478 Mountain Road Being Tax Parcel Nos. 15 251 01 020, 15 251 01 027, & 15 251 01 028 Decatur, DeKalb County, Georgia

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The Applicant, Avondale Park, LLC., the owner of 9.304 acres of land, being Tax Parcel Nos. 15 251 01 020, 15 251 01 027, and 15 251 01 028 located at 3458, 3468, & 3478 Mountain Road (the "Subject Property"). The Subject Property is zoned MU-5 pursuant to CZ-18-22125, with a land use designation of Regional Center. The Applicant is seeking a Major Modification of the conditions #1, #10, and #12 (a copy of the conditions is attached hereto as <u>Exhibit A</u>) to allow for the development of a single 5-story, mixed-use building with 140 apartment units and 42,981 sq. of office/retail space, in lieu of the two 8-story office buildings and one 2-story retail building shown on the 2018 approved site plan. The proposed mixed-use building consists of underground parking, office and retail space on the ground floor, and 4 floors of apartment units above. Each floor containing residential units is proposed to have a conference room, along with office services, private office space, phone lines, answering services, and more. Each unit will have at least 1 dedicated parking space in the underground parking facility.

The office building was initially planned with the idea of following DeKalb County's LCI plan, which involved the construction of a County municipal building and all its operation facilities on Memorial Drive. The County LCI proposal has yet to start, and it is unclear when or if it will ever actualize. The live/work proposal was derived from the initial concept idea but will accommodate the current market demands and make the greater Avondale Park project more feasible. Additionally, this proposed live/work building is consistent with the Regional Center land use designation. The DeKalb County 2021 Comprehensive Plan states that some preferred uses include apartments and office space. Both of those uses are included in the proposed live/work building.

In addition, the Applicant is seeking to amend the elevations for single family-detached and single family-attached homes. The original elevations were approved pursuant to CZ-1822125 but are no longer feasible for the Applicant to use. The Applicant is seeking to use the elevations included as <u>Exhibit B</u>. For these reasons, the Applicant is seeking a Major Modification, to allow for the development of a 5-story mixed-use, live/work building in place of the 3 initially approved 8-story office/retail buildings and to allow for the use of the proposed elevations for single family homes.

| Proposed Building Materials | Brick, Stone, and Siding |
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| Unit Sizes | 800 sqft – 1,800 sqft |
| Number of Bedrooms/Unit | 1-3 bedrooms/unit |
| Number of Units | 140 units |
| Garages Available | Underground Parking Facility |
| Number of Parking Spaces | 225 spaces |
| Amenities | Conference room on each floor, office services for all residents, such as private office space, phone lines, and answering services |
| Security Cameras | Yes, throughout the entire building |
| Anticipated Price | Rent from \$1,300/mo - \$3,000/mo |
| Who will these units be marketed to? | Professionals, freelancers, and small business owners |

This document is submitted both as a Statement of Intent and Impact Analysis with regard to this Application, a preservation of the Applicant's constitutional rights, and the Impact Analysis. A surveyed plat and conceptual site plan of the Subject Property controlled by the Applicant has been filed contemporaneously with the Application, along with other required materials.

II. IMPACT ANALYSIS

(a) The existing land uses and zoning classification of nearby property;

The Subject Property is located on Mountain Drive and is zoned MU-5, with a land use designation of RC. This area is quite diverse in zoning classifications and land uses. Zoning classifications of surrounding properties include C-1, OI, R-75, MU-5, and MR-2. Land uses of surrounding properties include RC and SUB.

(b) The effect on adjacent properties;

The proposed mixed-use building is suitable for the area and will not adversely affect adjacent properties. The proposed project will be an asset to the greater community adding a mixture of dwelling units and office/retail space.

(c) Whether the subject property has a reasonable economic use as currently zoned;

The Subject Property has no reasonable economic use as currently conditioned. Due to the impact of COVID 19, the need for office/retail space has significantly diminished. Therefore, building two 8 story office buildings is not financially feasible in the current rental market.

(d) Whether the proposed zoning will be a use that is suitable in view of the use and development of adjacent and nearby property;

The proposed modification will allow for a use that is suitable in view of the use and development of adjacent and nearby properties. The proposed building will be uniquely configured to provide workspace to individuals who are working from home or have a hybrid home/office work schedule. While there are other apartment buildings in the area, the proposed modification will provide a different living experience that is tailored to the recent changes in how people work and live. When this is combined with the fact that the Subject Property is across from the Kensington MARTA Station, which provide easy access to other parts of the Metro Atlanta area, the proposed project is a win for the area.

(e) Whether the proposed zoning will adversely affect the existing use or usability of adjacent or nearby property;

The proposed use will not negatively impact the the adjacent property owners. The reduction in the eight of the buildings from 8 stories to 5 stories, should be viewed as a positive, as the building will be more in line with the height of other buildings along Mountain Drive. As for the proposed use, this live work space is more comparable to the surrounding uses than the previously approved 8 story office towers.

(f) Whether the zoning proposal is in conformity with the policies and intent of the land use plan;

The proposed live/work/retail building is in conformity with the policies and intent of the Regional Center character area.

(g) Whether the zoning proposal will result in a use which will or could cause an excessive or burdensome use of existing streets, transportation facilities, utilities, or schools; and

The proposed use will not cause any excessive or burdensome use on the existing streets, transportation facilities, utilities, or schools in the area. The proposed building will be predominantly for young professionals and those who desire a live work environment. Therefore, there should be little impact on the public school system. Additionally, the use of the existing streets will be lessened by the reduction in the intensity of use, as an 8-story office tower would generate a significant amount of traffic.

(h) Whether there are other existing or changing conditions affecting the use and development of the property which give supporting grounds for either approval or disapproval of the zoning proposal.

As previously stated, the impact of COVID 19 on the office rental market has been significant. Businesses have come to realize that their employees can be just as productive at home as they can be coming to the office every day. As a result, many businesses are reducing their office space needs by allowing their employees to work from home, or other remote locations. This means that residential homes and the incorporation of more

meaningful workspace, is not a priority. Some businesses are even providing their employees with a stipend to improve their at home work spaces. This is the future, and we must change with it. The proposed modifications are needed adjustments to the rapidaly changing office/retail market.

III. CONCLUSION

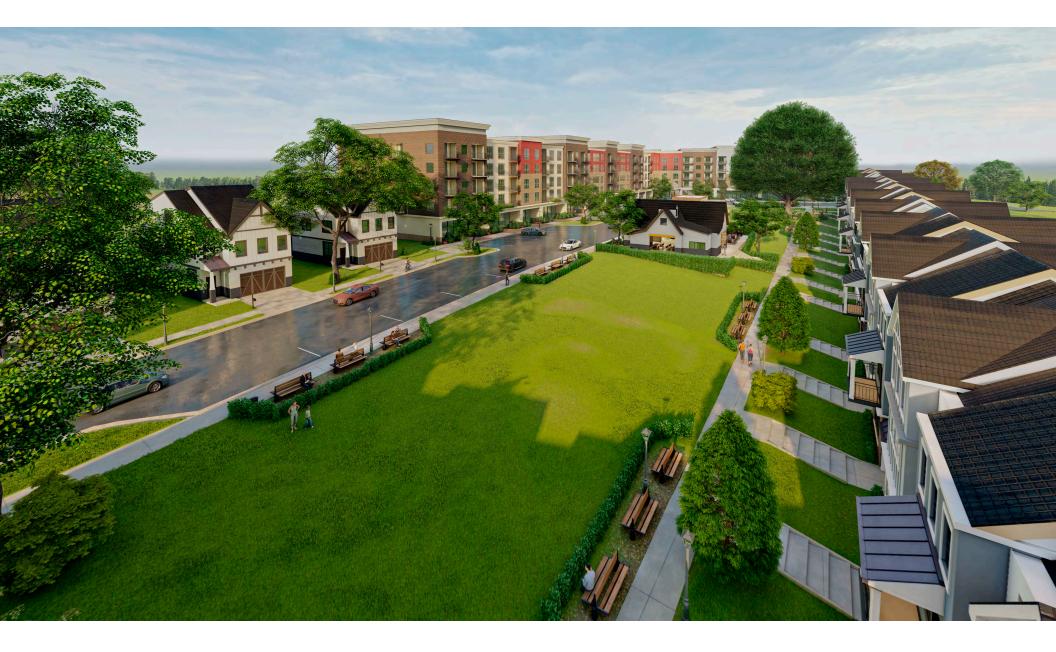
For the foregoing reasons, the Applicant respectfully requests that the Rezoning Application at issue be approved. The Applicant also invites and welcomes any comments from Staff or other officials of DeKalb County so that such recommendations or input might be incorporated as conditions of approval of this Application. Please note that the Applicant's Notice of Constitutional Allegations and Preservation of Constitutional Rights has been submitted with this Application and are attached hereto and by this reference incorporated herein.

This 1st day of July, 2021.

Respectfully submitted,

Michèle L. Battle, Esq. Attorney For Applicant

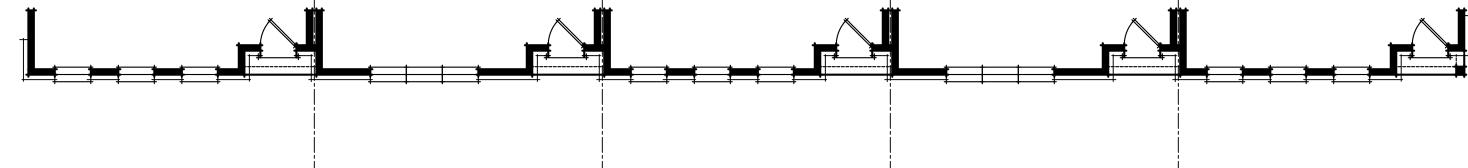














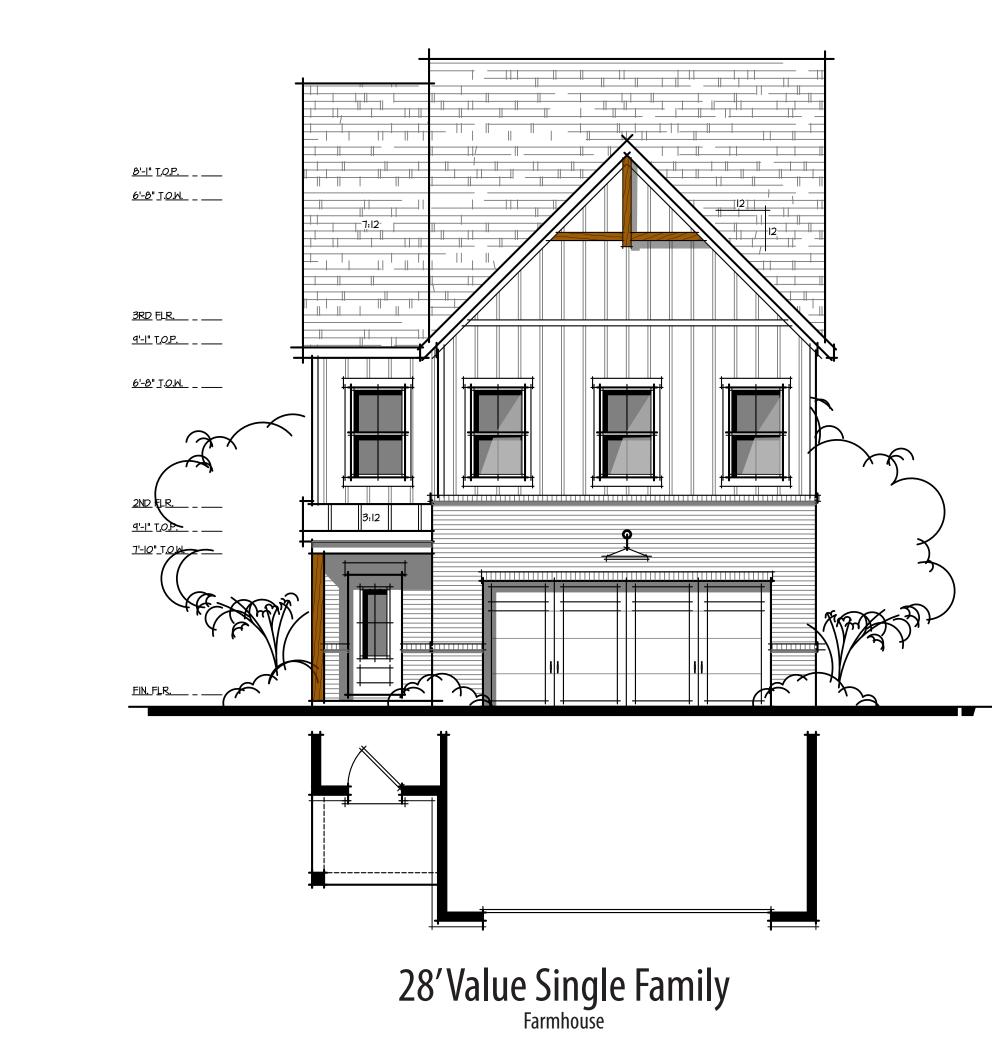


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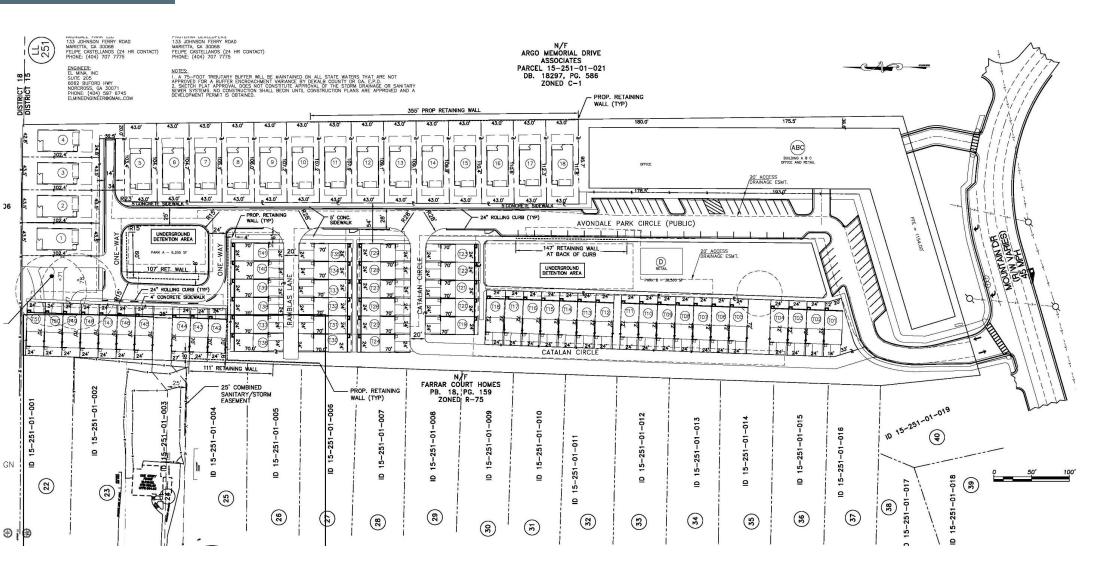


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Proposed Site Plan







Floor Plan – Live-Work Building

Elevation - Townhomes



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Elevation – Single-Family Detached

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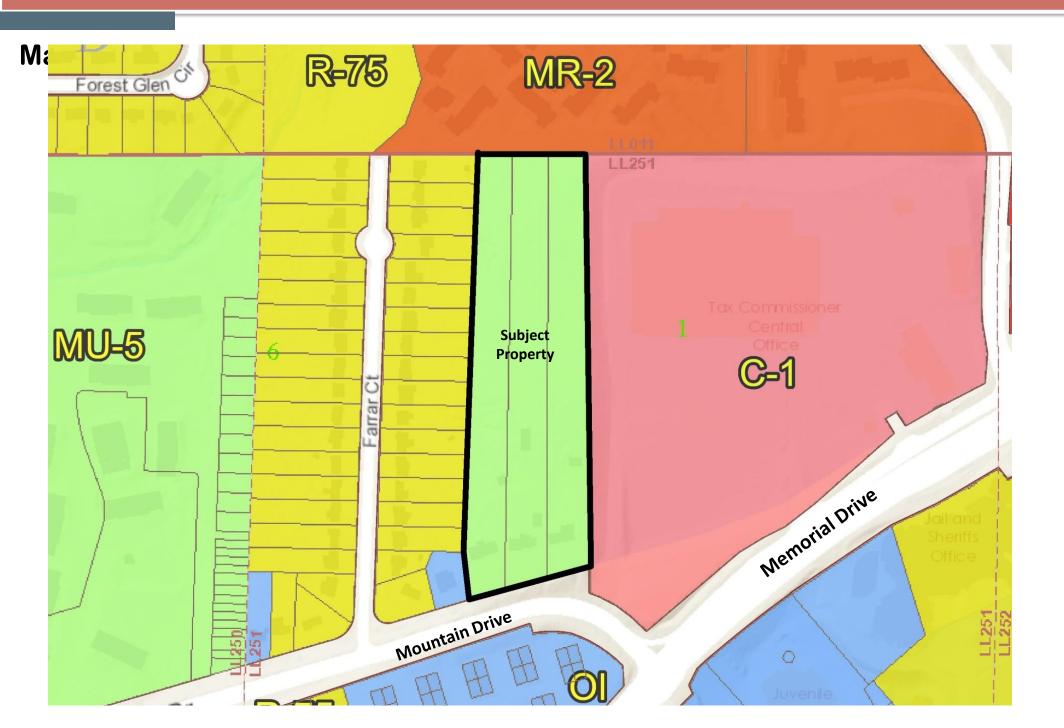
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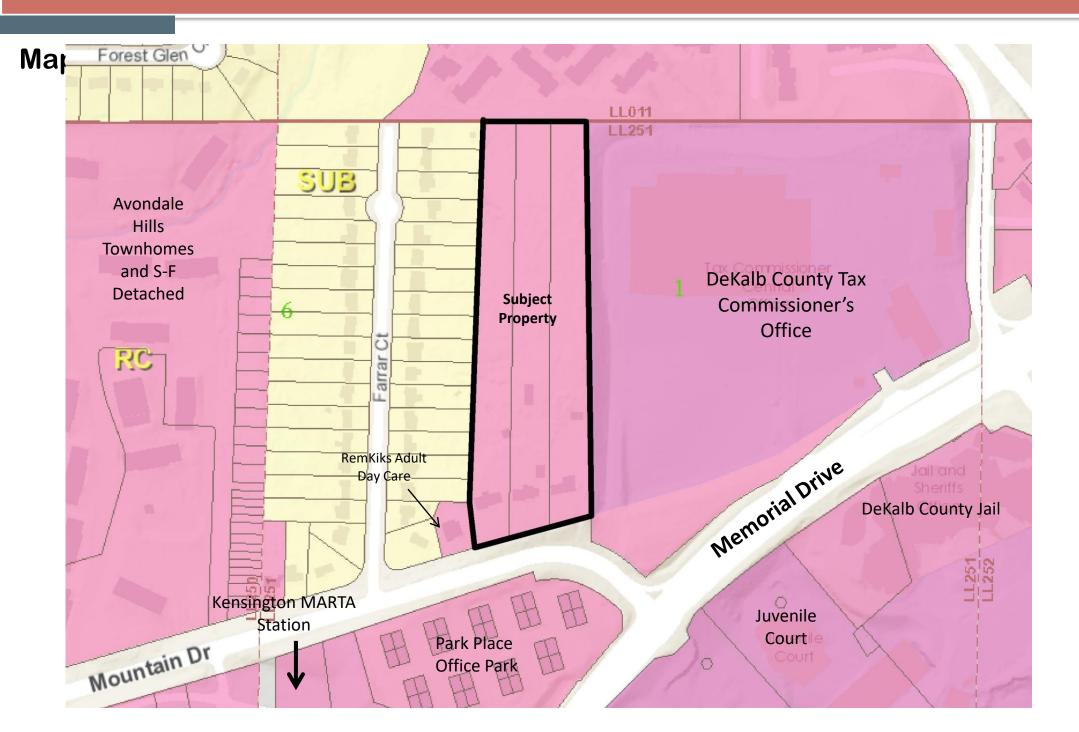


28'Value Single Family

Zoning



Land Use



Aerial View



Site Photos



Front of subject property on Mountain Drive.



East side of subject property, viewed from Mountain Drive.