

DESIGN COMMISSION MONDAY, JULY 28, 2014 6:00 PM AUSTIN CITY HALL, BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS ROOM 1101 301 W. SECOND STREET, AUSTIN, TEXAS 78701

Current Commission Members

Dean Almy (DA) – Chair
 Evan Taniguchi (ET) – Vice Chair
 Hope Hasbrouck (HH) – Secretary

_____ Juan E. Cotera (JC)

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AGENDA

Please note: Posted times are for time-keeping purposes only. The Commission may take any item(s) out of order and no Approx. time express guarantee is given that any item(s) will be taken in order or at the time posted. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL 6:00 PM **1. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION: GENERAL** 6:00 PM The first five speakers signed up prior to the meeting being called to order will each be allowed a three-minute allotment to address their concerns regarding items not posted on the agenda. 2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES (Discussion and Possible Action) 6:15 PM a. Discussion and possible action on the June 23, 2014 Design Commission meeting minutes. 3. NEW BUSINESS (Discussion and Possible Action): 6:20 PM a. Discussion and possible action on proposed modifications to the final design of the Seaholm Substation Screen Wall, located at future Second Street and future West Avenue. (Jose Ibarra, COA- Public Works). 4. OLD BUSINESS (Discussion and Possible Action) 6:40 PM a. Discussion and possible action on recommendations to the City Council on Design Commission's role in the Boards and Commissions transition to the 10-1 form of government (Commissioner Whatley); and b. Discussion and possible action on recommendations to Staff on an Administrative Rule for Publicly Accessible Plazas as a public benefit under the Downtown Density Bonus Program (Commissioner Taniguchi). 5. COMMITTEE AND LIAISON REPORTS (Discussion and Possible Action) 7:15 PM a. Standing Committees Reports;

- b. Working Group Reports;
- c. Liaison Reports;

	d.	Appointment of Committee/Working Group members by Chair.	
6.	STAFF BRIEFINGS:		7:20 PM
	a.	Briefing by Staff Liaison on recommendations for Design Commission meeting	
		procedures.	
7.	FUT	URE AGENDA ITEMS	7:25 PM
	a.	Urban Rail Update	
8.	ANN	IOUNCEMENTS	7:30 PM
	b.	Chair Announcements;	
	с.	Items from Commission Members; and	
	d.	Items from City Staff.	
ADJOURNMENT			7:30 PM

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Design Commission Committees, Working Groups, and Liaisons

Committees

- 1. Bylaws/Policies & Procedures Committee: Wiginton (Chair), Cotera, Whatley
- 2. Executive Committee: Almy (Chair), Taniguchi, Hasbrouck

Working Groups

- 1. Planning and Urban Design Working Group: Whatley (Chair), Cotera, Shieh
- 2. Architecture and Development Working Group: Almy (Chair), Taniguchi, Cotera
- 3. Landscape and Infrastructure Working Group: Hasbrouck (Chair), Wiginton, Almy
- 4. Public Engagement Working Group: Wiginton (Chair), Taniguchi, Hasbrouck

Design Commission Liaisons

- 1. Downtown Comm. Liaison / Downtown Austin Plan: Whatley
- 2. Airport Boulevard Redevelopment Initiative: Whatley

Design Commission Staff Liaison:

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Resources:

- 1. The Urban Design Guidelines for Austin can be accessed here: <u>Urban Design Guidelines for Austin</u>.
- 2. Design Commission backup may be accessed here: Design Commission Backup.



DESIGN COMMISSION MONDAY, JUNE 23, 2014 6:00 PM AUSTIN CITY HALL, COUNCIL CHAMBERS ROOM 1001 301 W. SECOND STREET, AUSTIN, TEXAS 78701

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Meeting Minutes

Call to order by: Chair D. Almy @ 6:05 pm Roll Call: [J. Cotera] not present.

- 1. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION: None
- 2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES (Discussion and Possible Action)
 - a. Discussion and possible action on the May 27, 2014 Design Commission meeting minutes.

The motion to approve minutes as drafted made by B. Whatley; second by E. Taniguchi was approved on a vote of [6-0]. [J. Cotera not present]

3. NEW BUSINESS (Discussion and Possible Action) None

4. OLD BUSINESS (Discussion and Possible Action)

a. Discussion and possible action on recommendations to the City Council on Design Commission's role in the Boards and Commissions transition to the 10-1 form of government (Commissioner Whatley).

General discussion on role of Design Commission. Ms. Eleanor McKinney spoke on this item and relationship to Code Next. Recommendation to send to Executive Commission for recommendations by consensus.

b.Discussion and possible action on recommendations on bicycle connectivity at the east end of Lady Bird Lake (Chair Almy).

Chair Almy distributed a draft copy of a recommendation to the commission.

The motion to approve draft letter as submitted and corrected on the dias made by J. Cotera; Second by B. Whatley was approved on a vote of [7-0].

c. Discussion and possible action on recommendations to Staff on an Administrative rule for Publicly Accessible Plazas as a public benefit under the Downtown Density Bonus Program (Commissioner Taniguchi).

Ms. Eleanor McKinney spoke on this item addressing Downtown Commission and PARD comments. Ms. McKinney presented recommendations of Downtown Commission.

The motion to send work group for execution of recommendation letter and forward to staff made by D. Almy; Second by J. Cotera was approved on a vote of [6-0-1] [H. Hasbrouck abstained]

5. COMMITTEE AND WORKING GROUP REPORTS (Discussion and Possible Action)

- a. Standing Committees Reports: None
- b. Working Group Reports: None
- c. Liaison Reports:

Commissioner Whatley spoke on Downtown Commission Report items:

- Project Connect
- DDBP FAR criteria.
- d. Appointment of Committee/Working Group members by Chair: None

6. STAFF BRIEFINGS: None

- 7. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:
 - Urban Rail Update
 - TCM Updates

8. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- a. Chair Announcements: None
- b. Items from Commission Members: Issues with taskforce recommendations.
- c. Items from City Staff: None

ADJOURNMENT by consensus at: 7:41 PM





City of Austin Design Commission – Project Submittal Consideration Sheet

Project Name: Seaholm Substation Screen Wall			
Project Location/Address:			
Future Second Street and future West	1		
Applicant: Jose Ibarra, Public Works	Property Owner:		
Mailing Address:	Mailing Address:		
512.974-7195			
Phone Number:	Phone Number:		
Project Architect/Engineer:	Project Start Date:	Project End Date:	
Mailing Address:	Phone Number:		
Is project subject to redevelopment site plan or zoning application approvals?	Anticipated Dates of Action		
Yes No	Planning Commission: City Council:	August 21 or 28	
Narrative Description of Proposed Project (including entitlements that you are seeking; attach or add additional page(s) as necessary) :			
Briefing update for possible action on modifications to final design of the Seaholm Substation Screen Wall, located at future Second Street and future West Avenue, seeking input on West Avenue modifications. (Jose Ibarra, COA-PW).			
Is Alternative Equivalent Compliance (AEC) requested for this project?			
Yes ✔No If yes,	please refer to following	page	
Current Status of Submittal:			
Conceptual Schema	atic D	esign Development	
Do you have a copy of the Urban Design Guidelines for Austin? Yes No If not, please see: http://www.ci.austin.tx.us/downtown/downloads/urban_design_guidelines_for_austin.pdf			
Please fill in the subsequent information on the following pages.			



Relate the project to applicable items addressed in the Urban Design Guidelines for Austin. For an explanation of each guideline, please review the document at: <u>http://www.ci.austin.tx.us/downtown/downloads/urban_design_guidelines_for_austin.pdf</u>

ALTERNATIVE EQUIVALENT COMPLIANCE (AEC)

Is AEC being requested for this project?

Yes

No

If yes, please explain nature of request including alternatives offered and entitlements sought. Attach additional page if necessary.

AREA WIDE GUIDELINES

1. Create dense development

_____incorporated,

____need input,



2. Create mixed-use development

incorporated,

need input,



3. Limit development which closes downtown streets			
incorporated,	need input,	N/A N/A	
4. Buffer neighborhood	ledges		
incorporated,	need input,	N/A	
5. Incorporate civic art	in both public and p	rivate development	
incorporated,	need input,	N/A	
6. Protect important pu	blic views		
incorporated,	need input,	✓ N/A	
7. Avoid historical misr	representations		
incorporated,	need input,	✓ N/A	
8. Respect adjacent his	toric buildings		
incorporated,	need input,	✓ N/A	
9. Acknowledge that ro	oftops are seen from	other buildings and the street	
incorporated,	need input,	✓ N/A	
10. Avoid the development of theme environments			
incorporated,	need input,	✓ N/A	
11. Recycle existing building stock			
incorporated,	need input,	√ N/A	

GUIDELINES FOR THE PUBLIC STREETSCAPE

1. Protect the pedestria	an where the building	meets the street	
incorporated,	need input,	√ N/A	
2. Minimize curb cuts			
incorporated,	need input,	√ N/A	
3. Create a potential fo	r two-way streets		
incorporated,	need input,	√ N/A	
4. Reinforce pedestriar	n activity		
incorporated,	need input,	√ N/A	
5. Enhance key transit	stops		
incorporated,	need input,	√ N/A	
6. Enhance the streets	cape		
incorporated,	need input,	√ N/A	
7. Avoid conflicts betw	een pedestrians and	utility equipment	
incorporated,	need input,	√ N/A	
8. Install street trees			
incorporated,	need input,	√ N/A	
9. Provide pedestrian-scaled lighting			
incorporated,	need input,	√ N/A	
10. Provide protection from cars/promote curbside parking			
incorporated,	need input,	✓N/A	

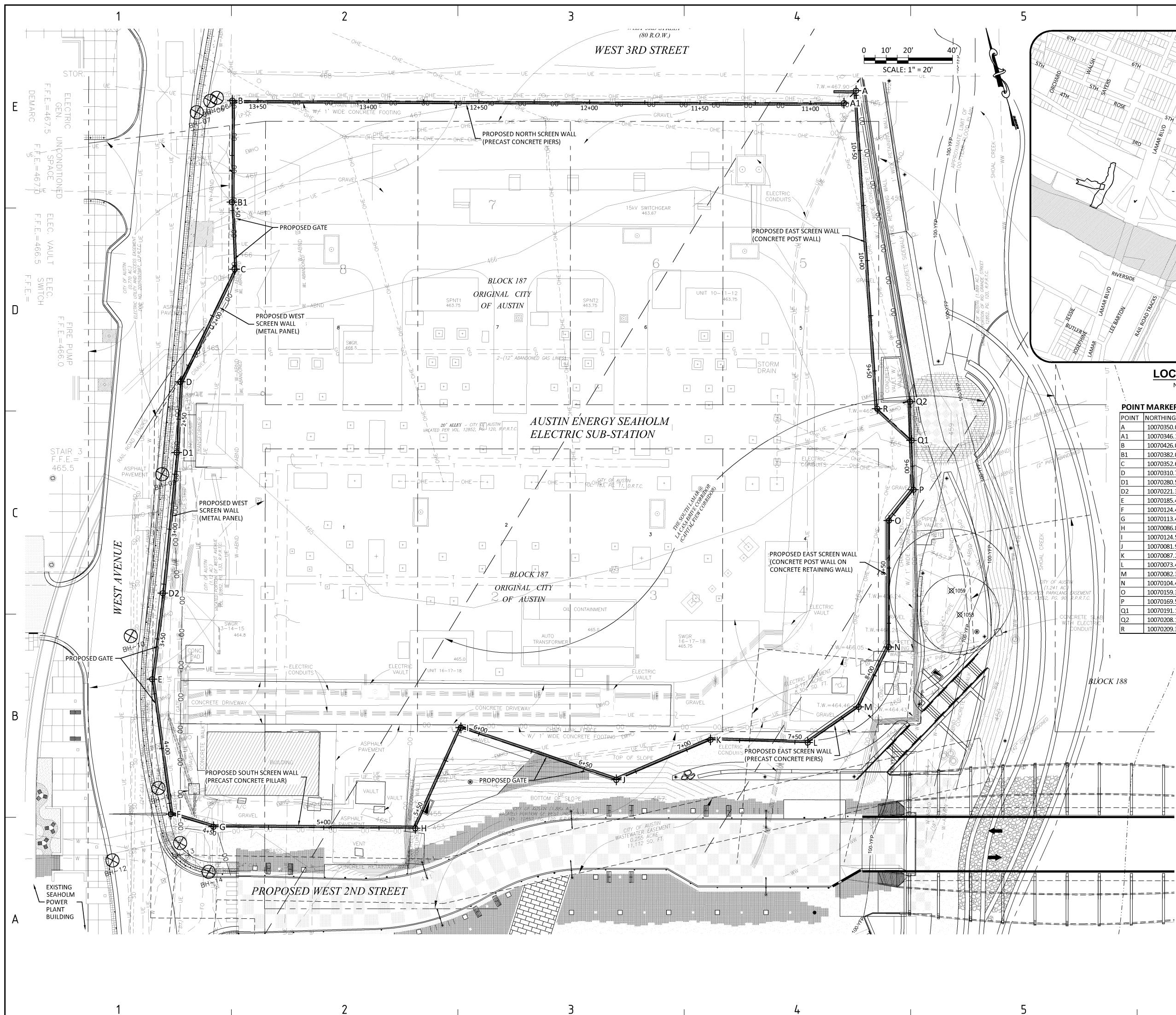
11. Screen mechanical and utility equipment			
incorporated,	need input,	√ N/A	
12. Provide generous s	street-level windows		
incorporated,	need input,	✓N/A	
13. Install pedestrian-fi	riendly materials at s	treet level	
incorporated,	need input,	✓N/A	
GUIDELINES FOR PL	AZAS AND OPEN	SPACE	
1. Treat the four square	es with special consi	deration	
incorporated,	need input,	N/A	
2. Contribute to an ope	en space network		
incorporated,	need input,	√ N/A	
3. Emphasize connecti	ons to parks and gre	enways	
incorporated,	need input,	√ N/A	
4. Incorporate open sp	ace into residential o	levelopment	
incorporated,	need input,	√ N/A	
5. Develop green roofs			
incorporated,	need input,	√ N/A	
6. Provide plazas in high use areas			
incorporated,	need input,	✓N/A	

7. Determine plaza function, size, and activity			
incorporated,	need input,	✓ N/A	
8. Respond to microcl	imate in plaza desigi	n	
incorporated,	need input,	✓ N/A	
9. Consider views, circ	culation, boundaries	, and subspaces in plaza design	
incorporated,	need input,	M/A N/A	
10. Provide an approp	riate amount of plaza	a seating	
incorporated,	need input,	✓ N/A	
11. Provide visual and	spatial complexity i	n public spaces	
incorporated,	need input,	✓ N/A	
12. Use plants to enliv	en urban spaces		
incorporated,	need input,	✓ N/A	
13. Provide interactive	civic art and founta	ins in plazas	
incorporated,	need input,	✓ N/A	
14. Provide food servi	ce for plaza participa	ants	
incorporated,	need input,	✓N/A	
15. Increase safety in J	olazas through wayf	inding, lighting, & visibility	
incorporated,	need input,	✓ N/A	
16. Consider plaza ope	erations and mainter	nance	
incorporated,	need input,	✓N/A	

GUIDELINES FOR BUILDINGS

1. Build to the street			
incorporated,	need input,	✓N/A	
2. Provide multi-tenant	, pedestrian-oriented	development at the street level	
incorporated,	need input,	✓N/A	
3. Accentuate primary	entrances		
incorporated,	need input,	√ N/A	
4. Encourage the inclusion of local character			
incorporated,	need input,	√ N/A	
5. Control on-site parki	ing		
incorporated,	need input,	√ N/A	
6. Create quality const	ruction		
incorporated,	need input,	√ N/A	
7. Create buildings with	h human scale		
incorporated,	need input,	√ N/A	





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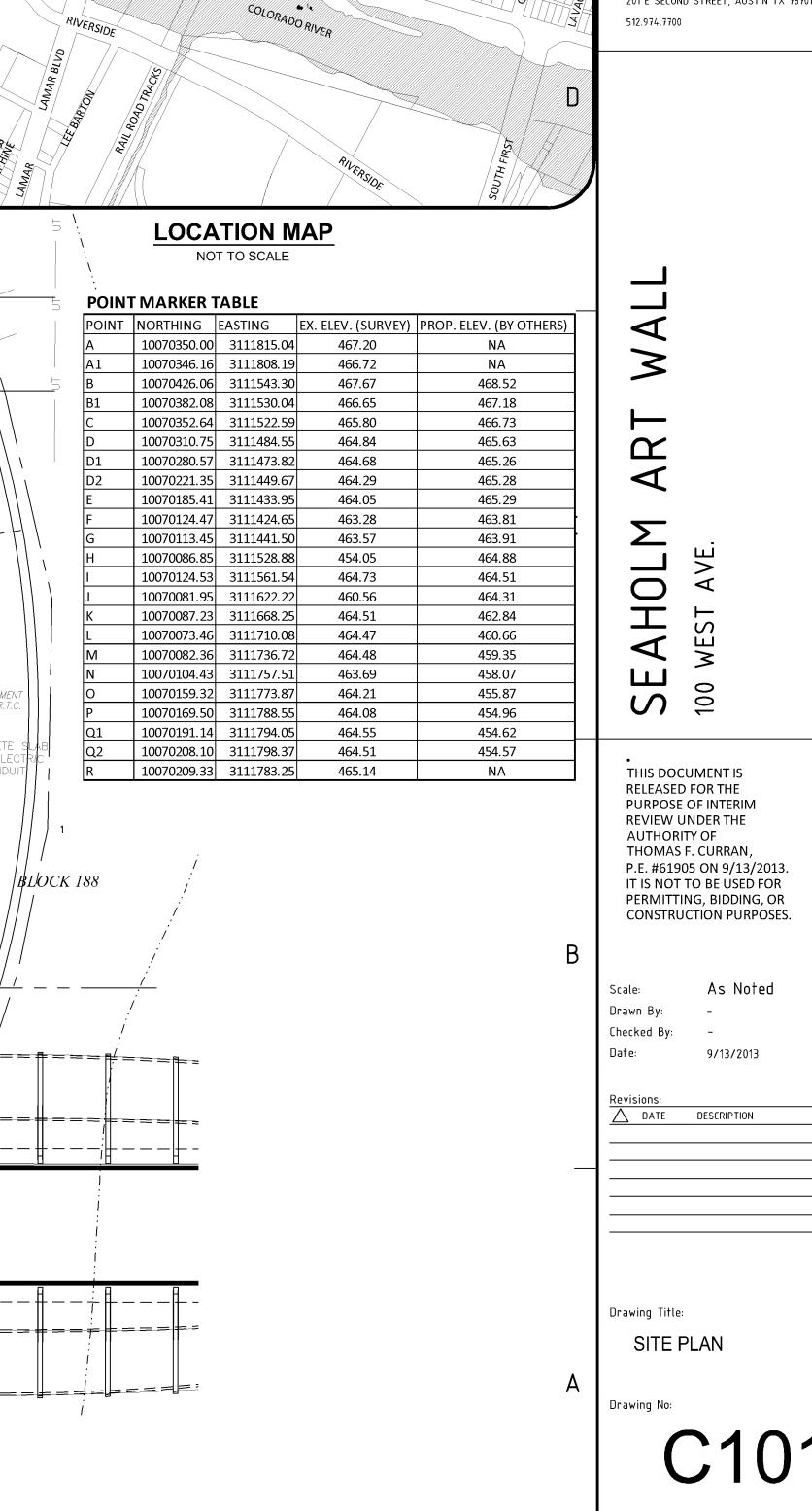
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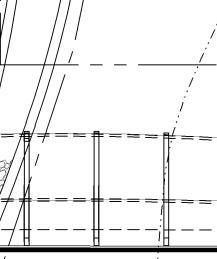
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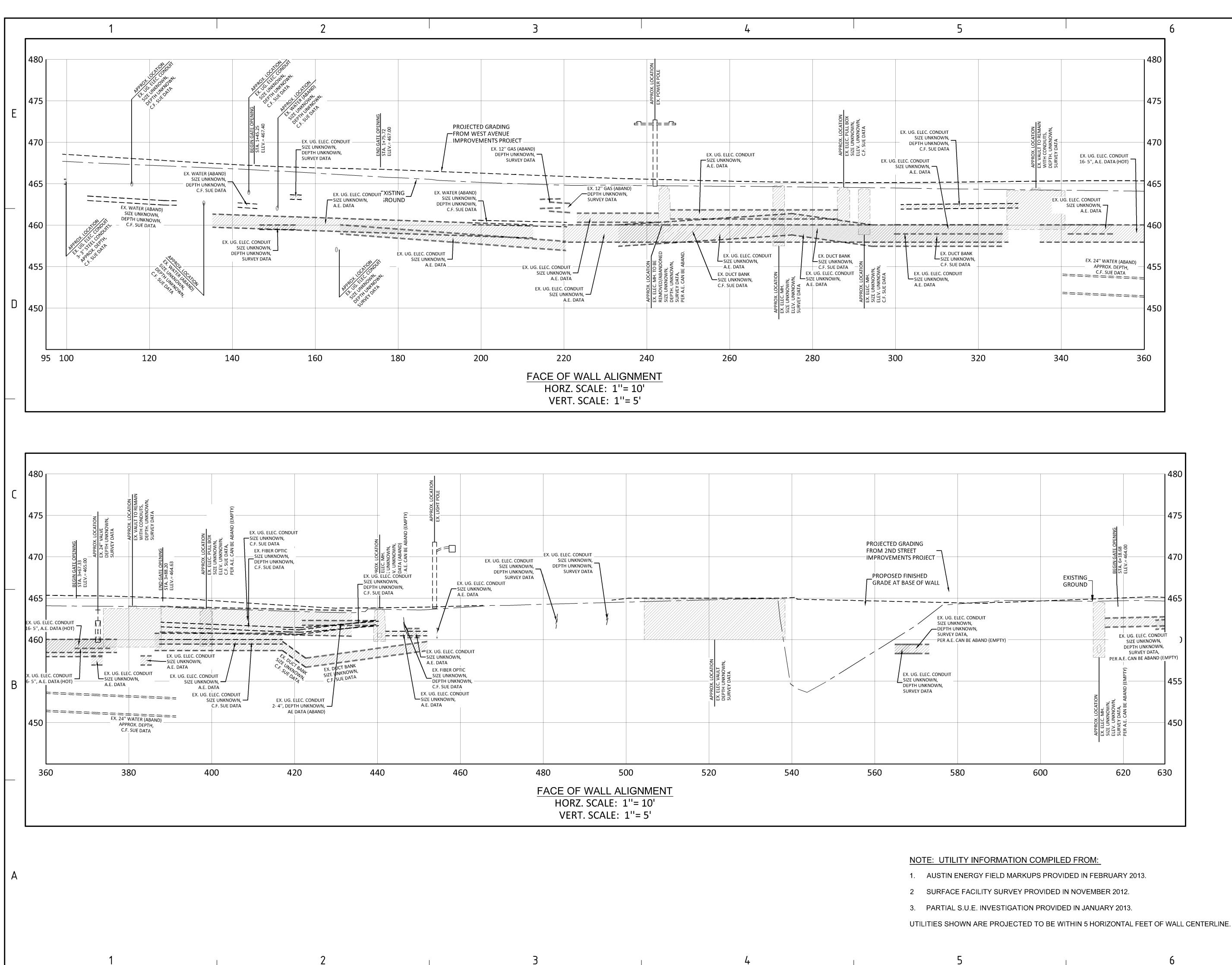
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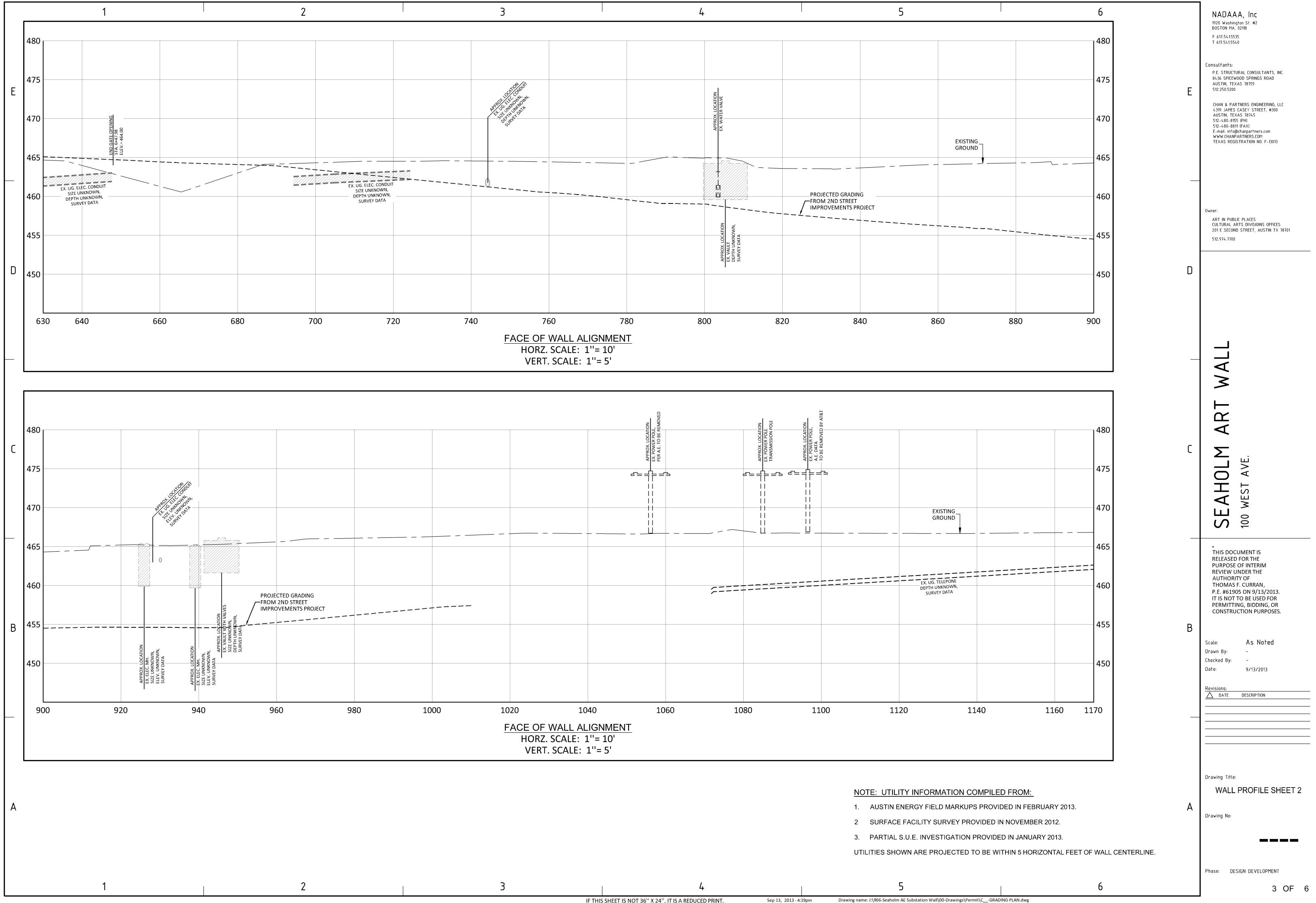
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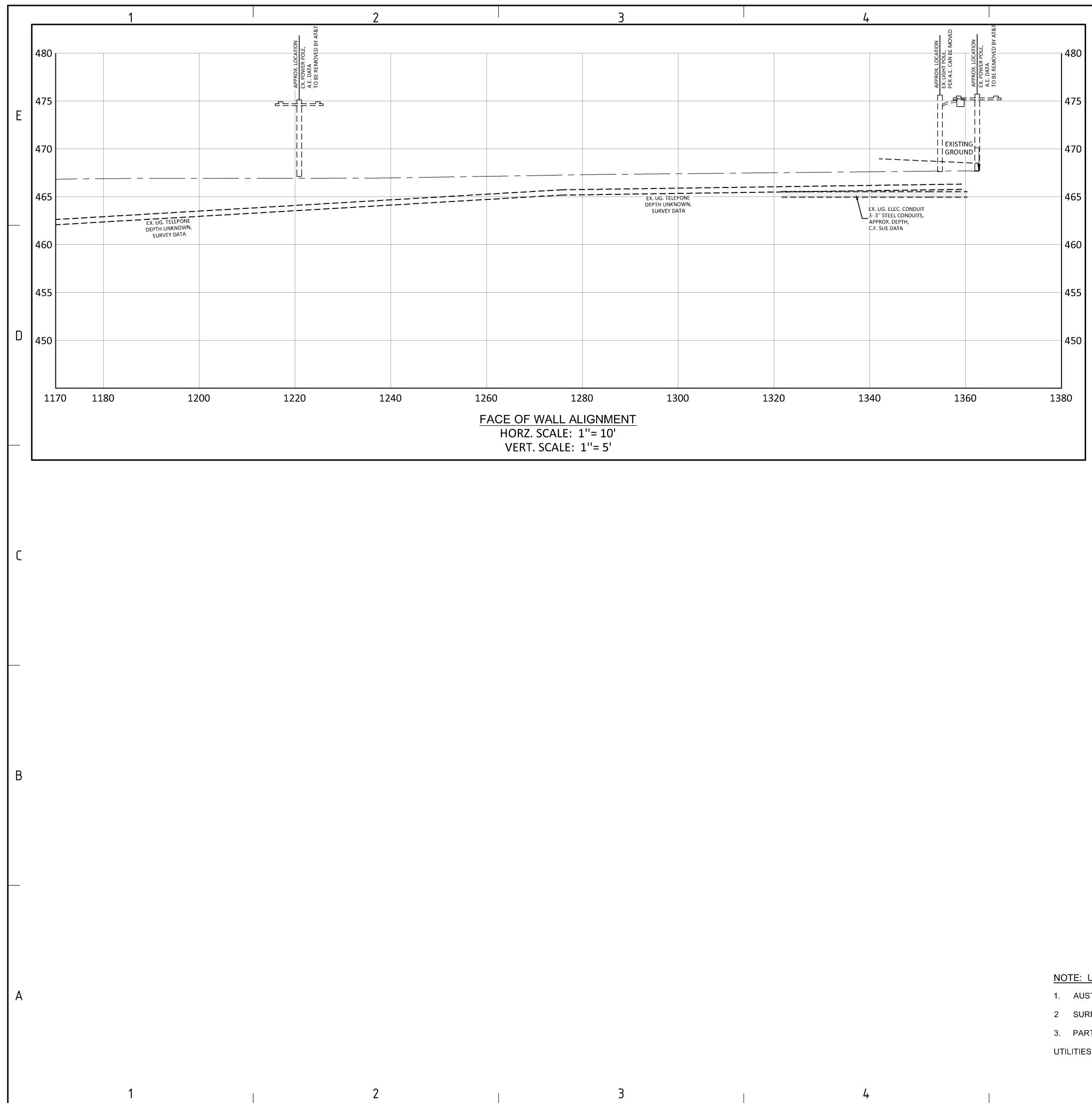
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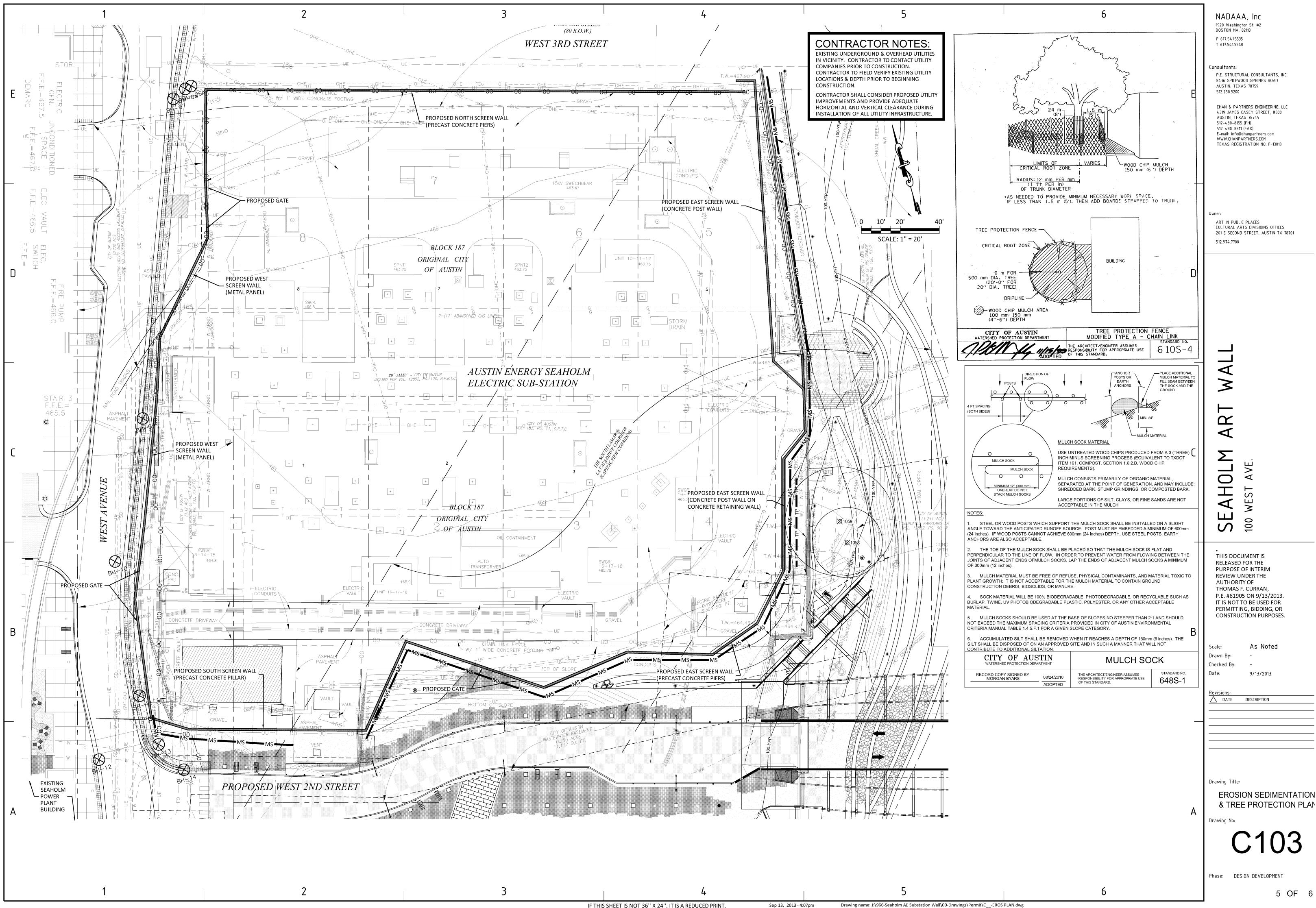
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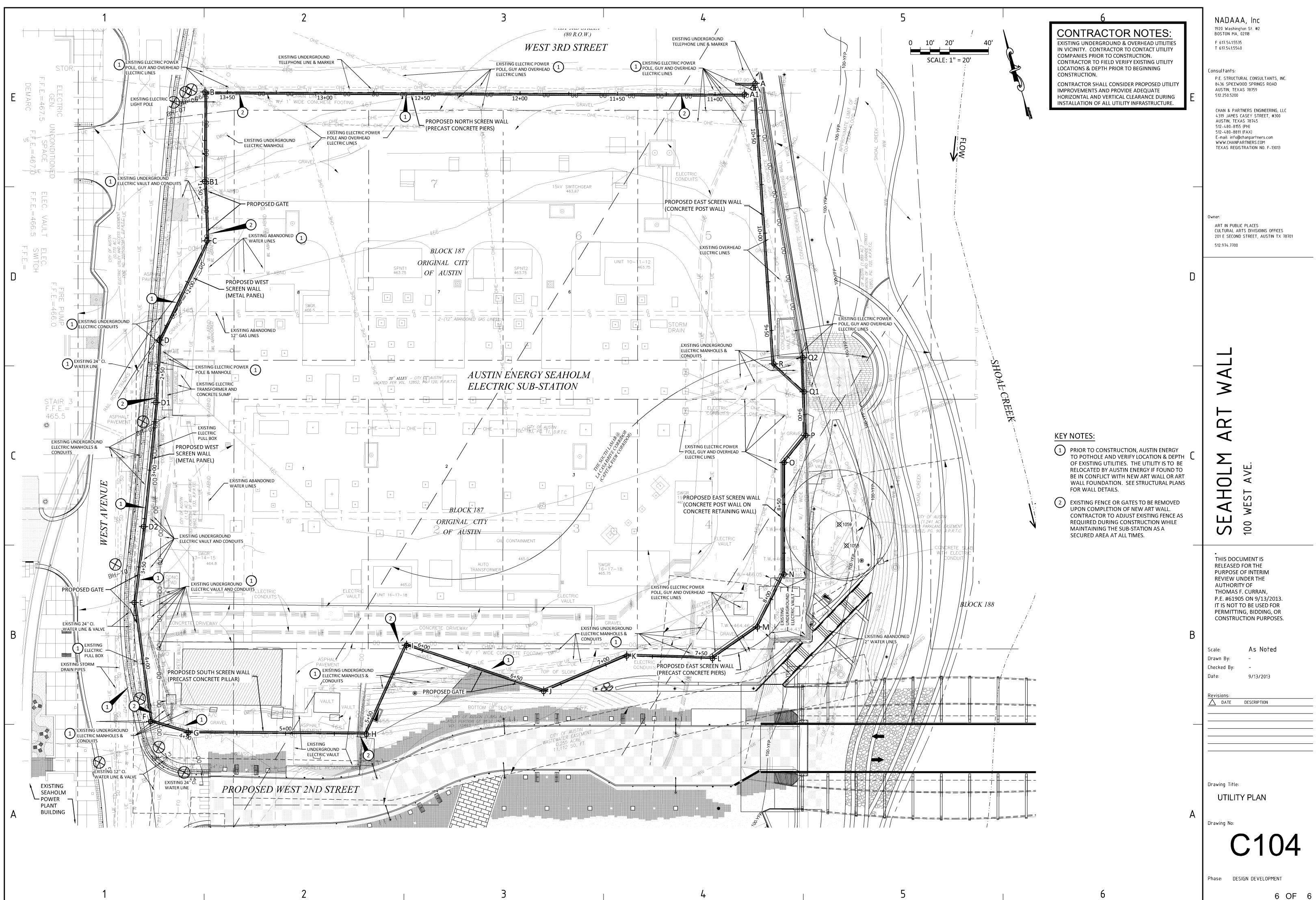


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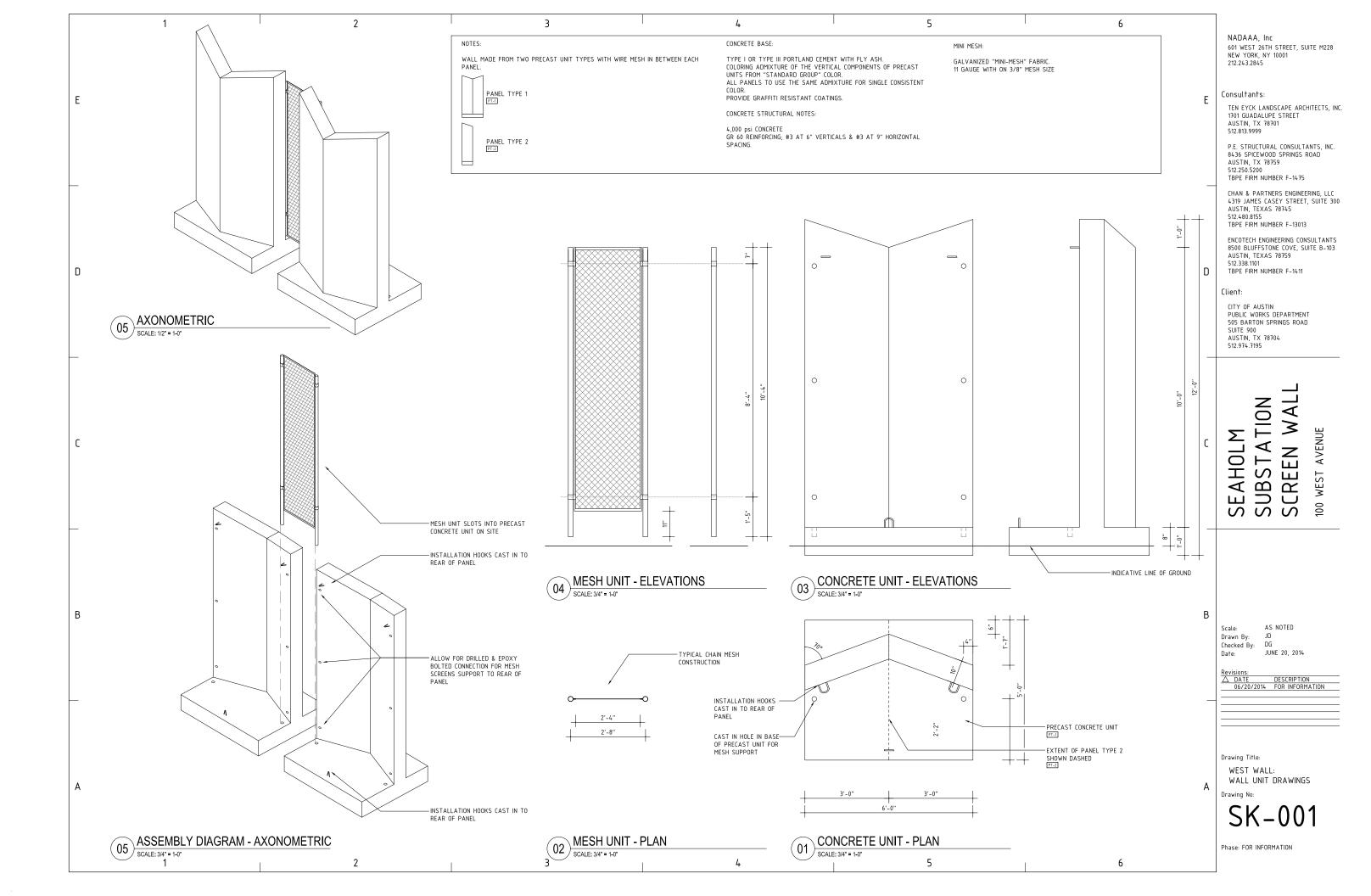
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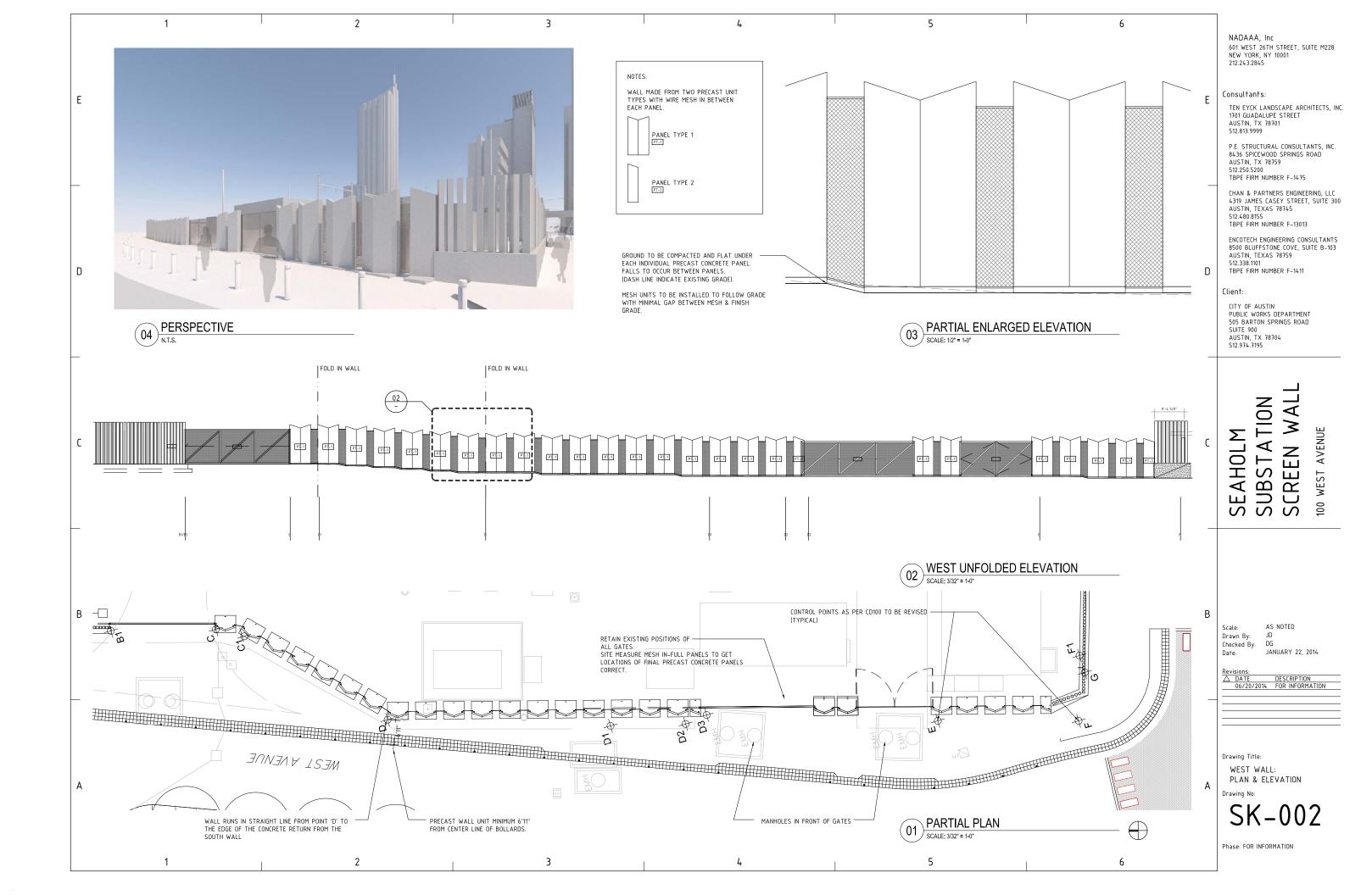
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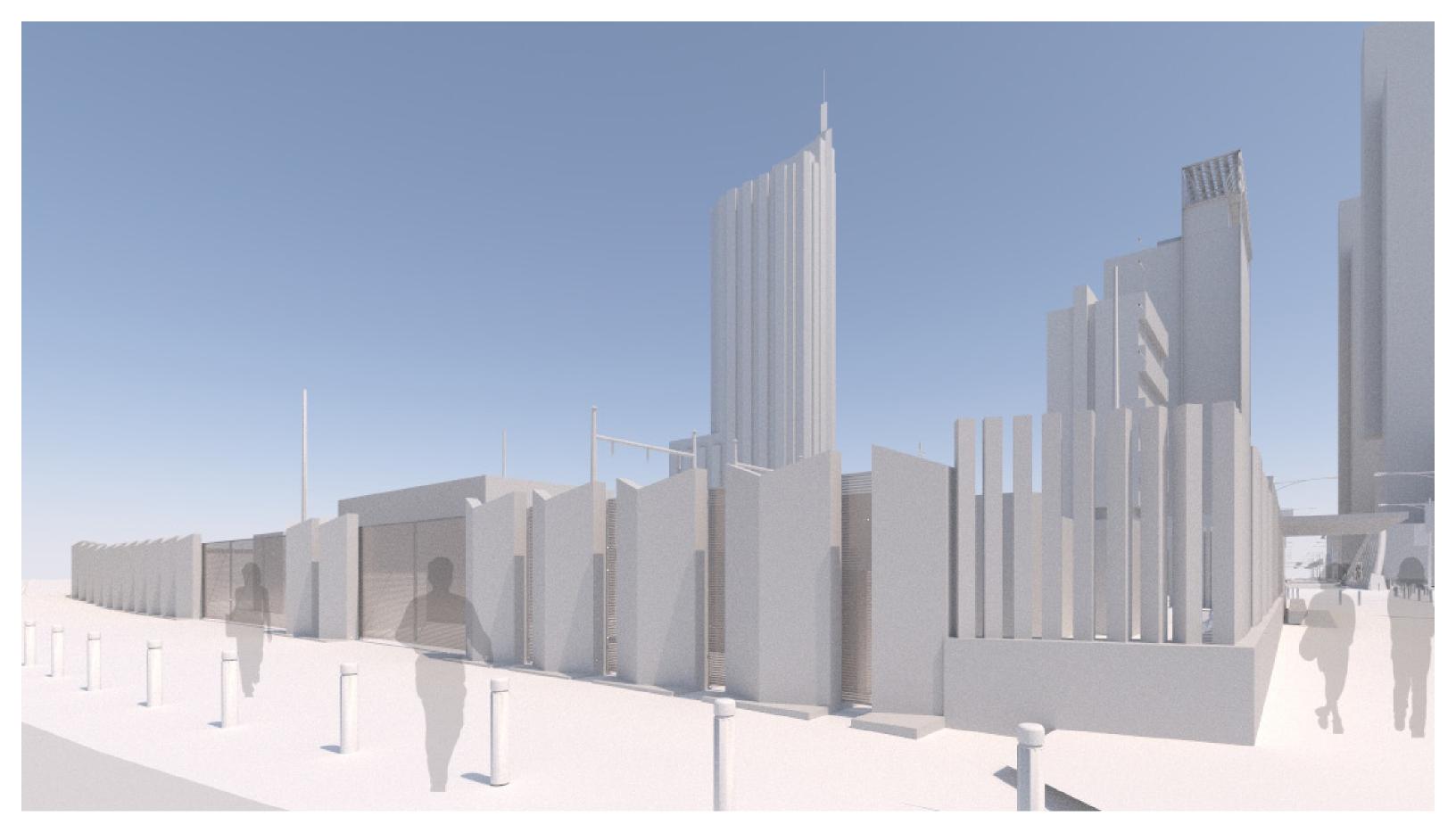




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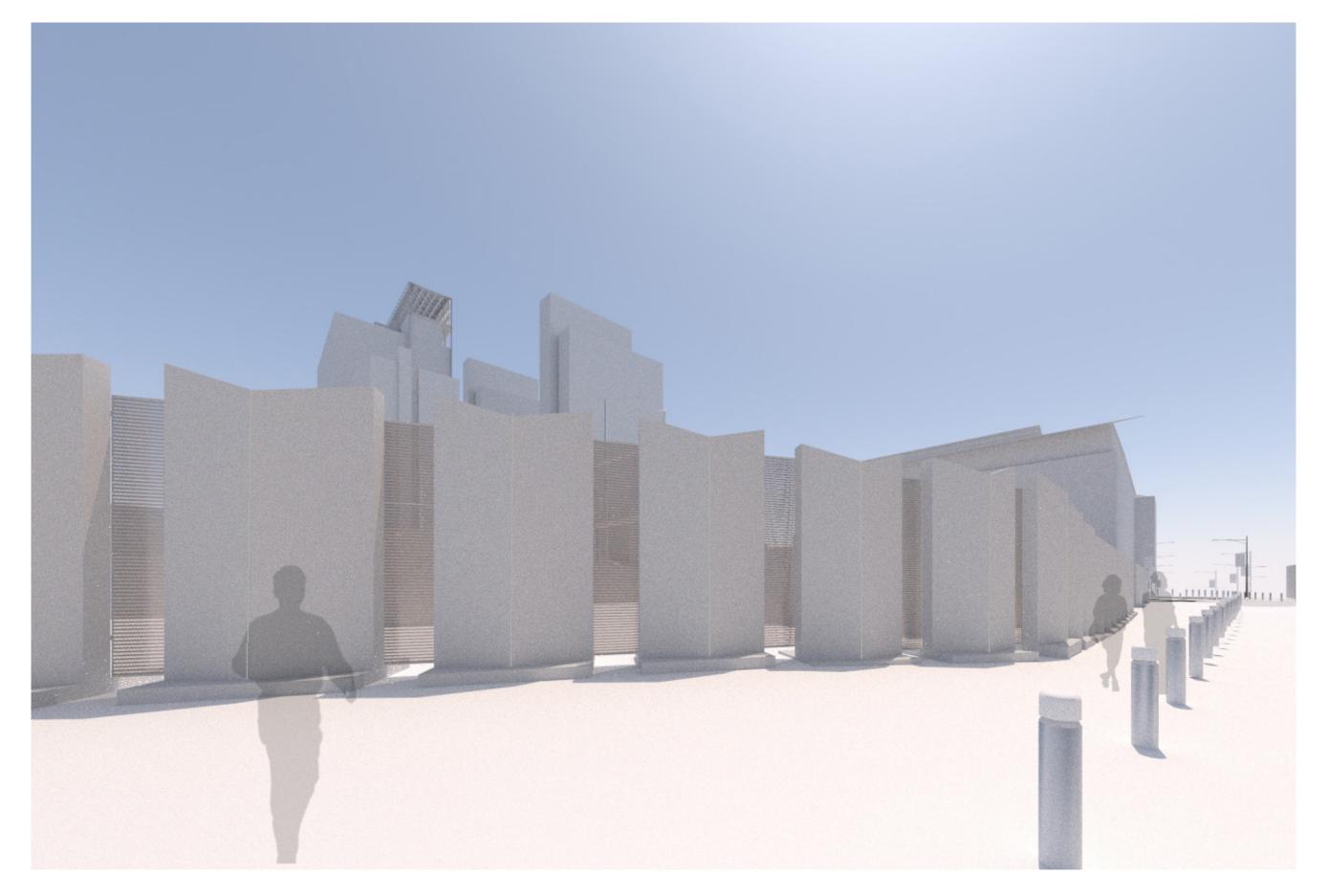


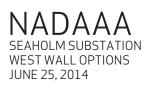




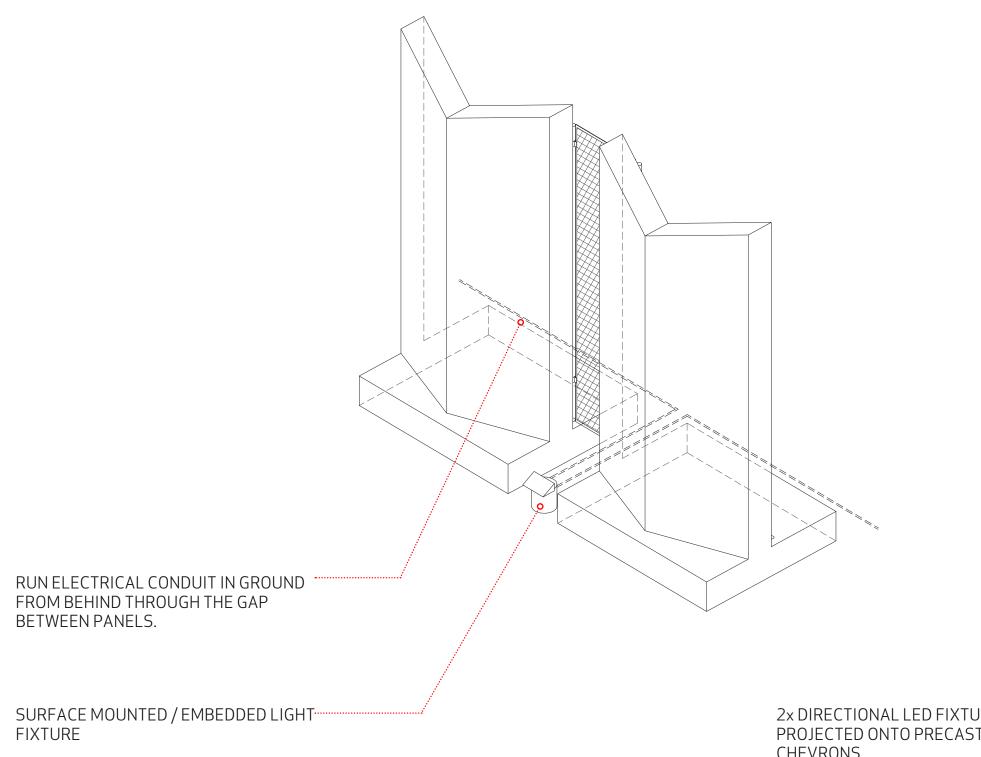


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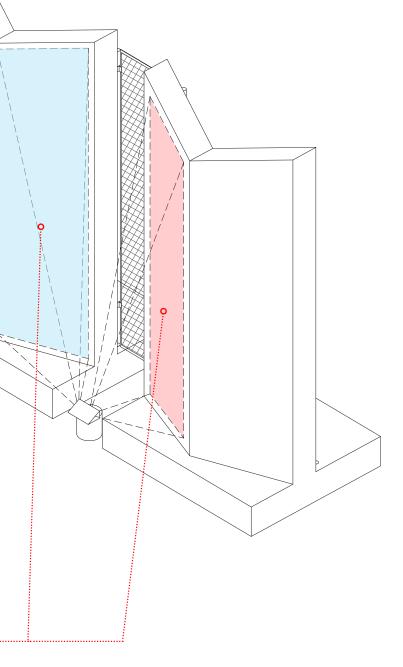


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2x DIRECTIONAL LED FIXTURES PROJECTED ONTO PRECAST CONCRETE CHEVRONS



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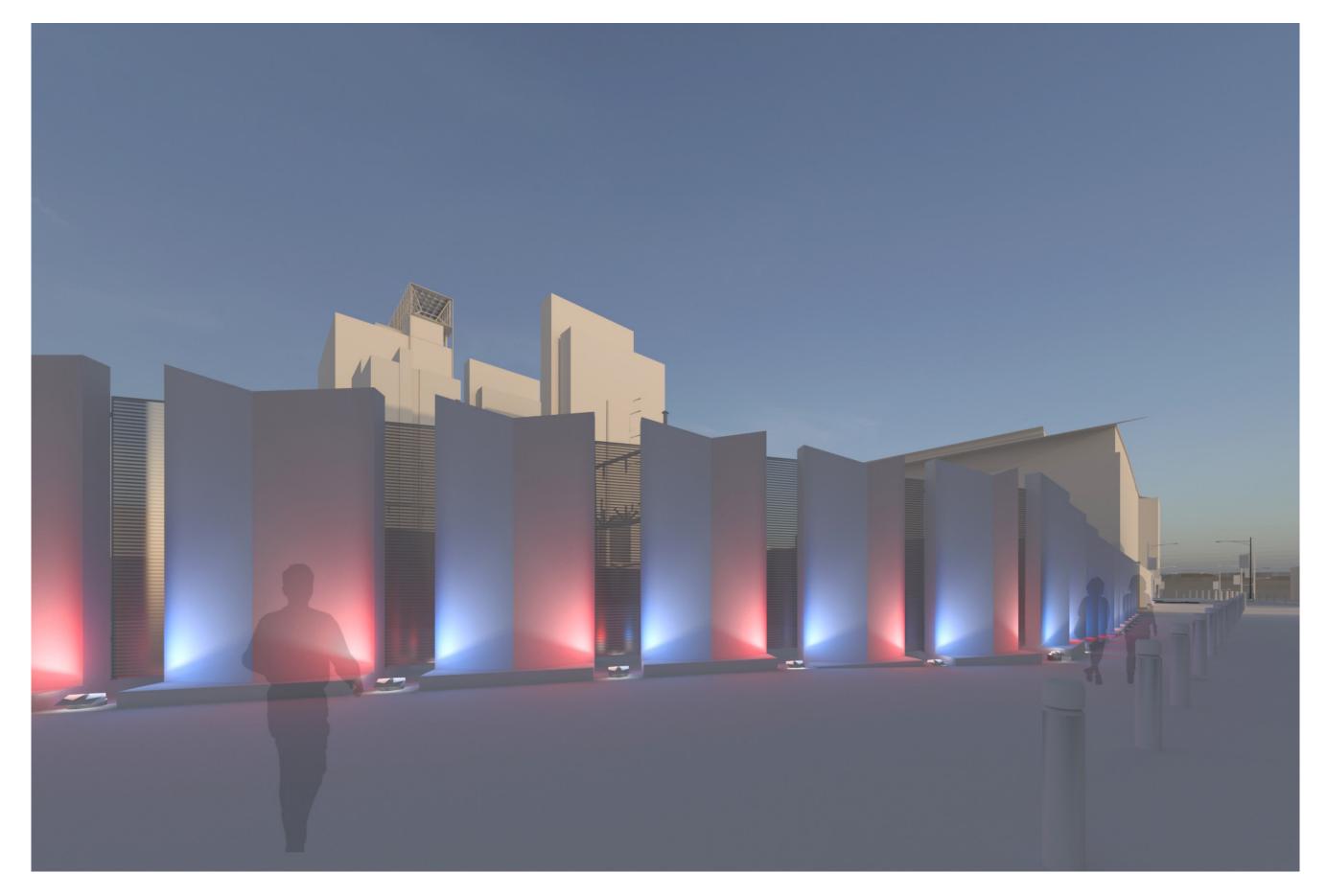


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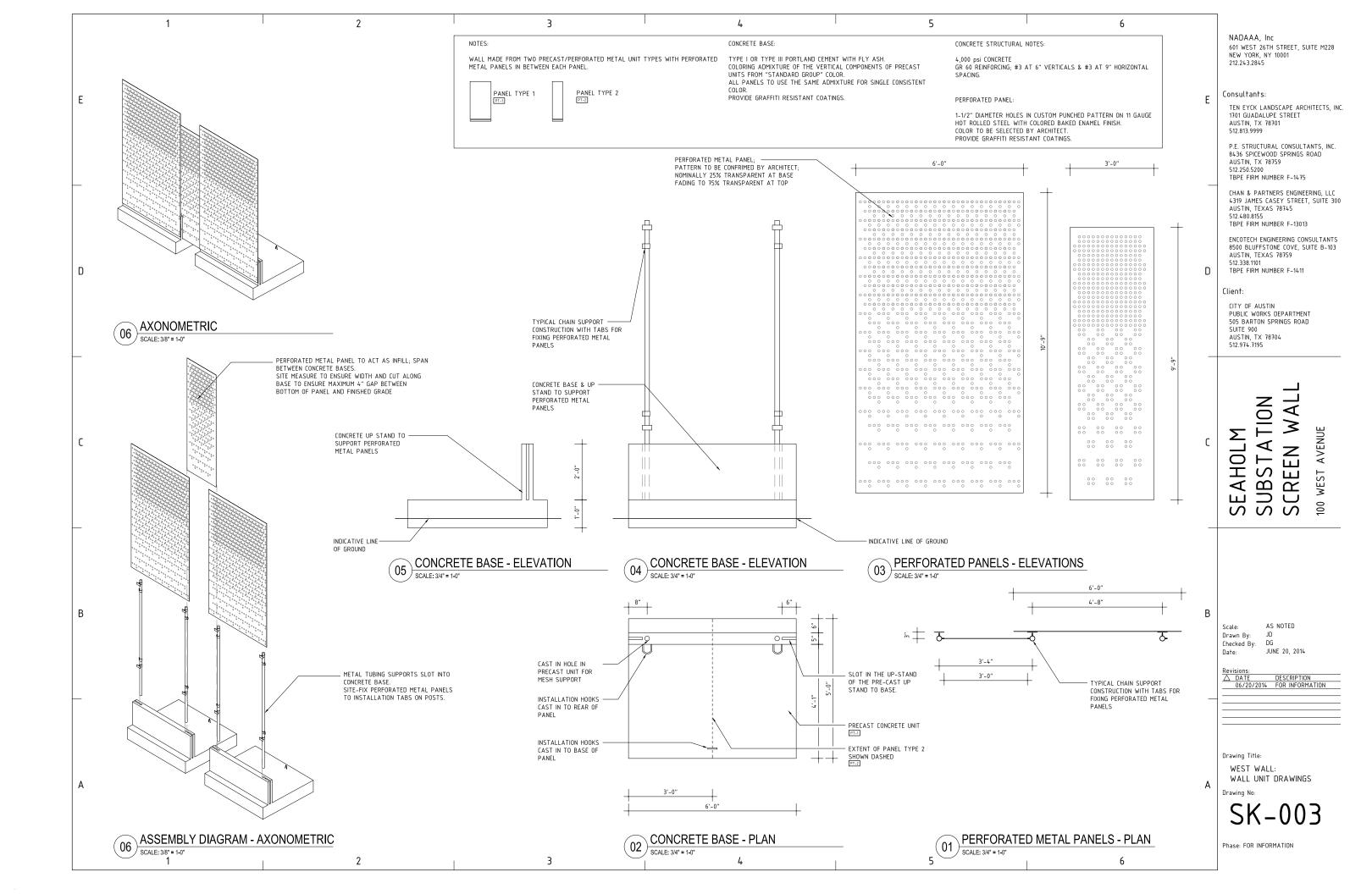


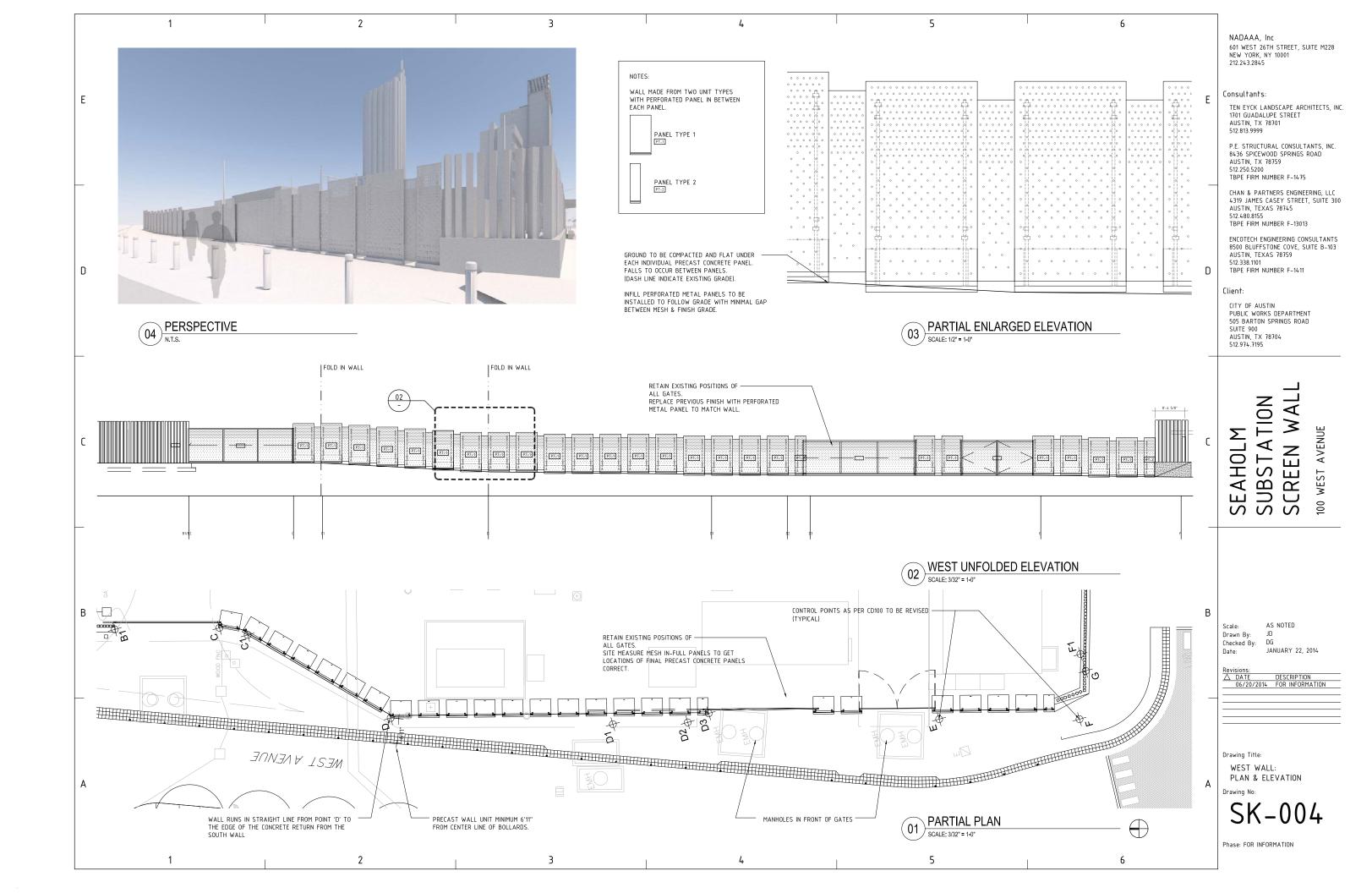
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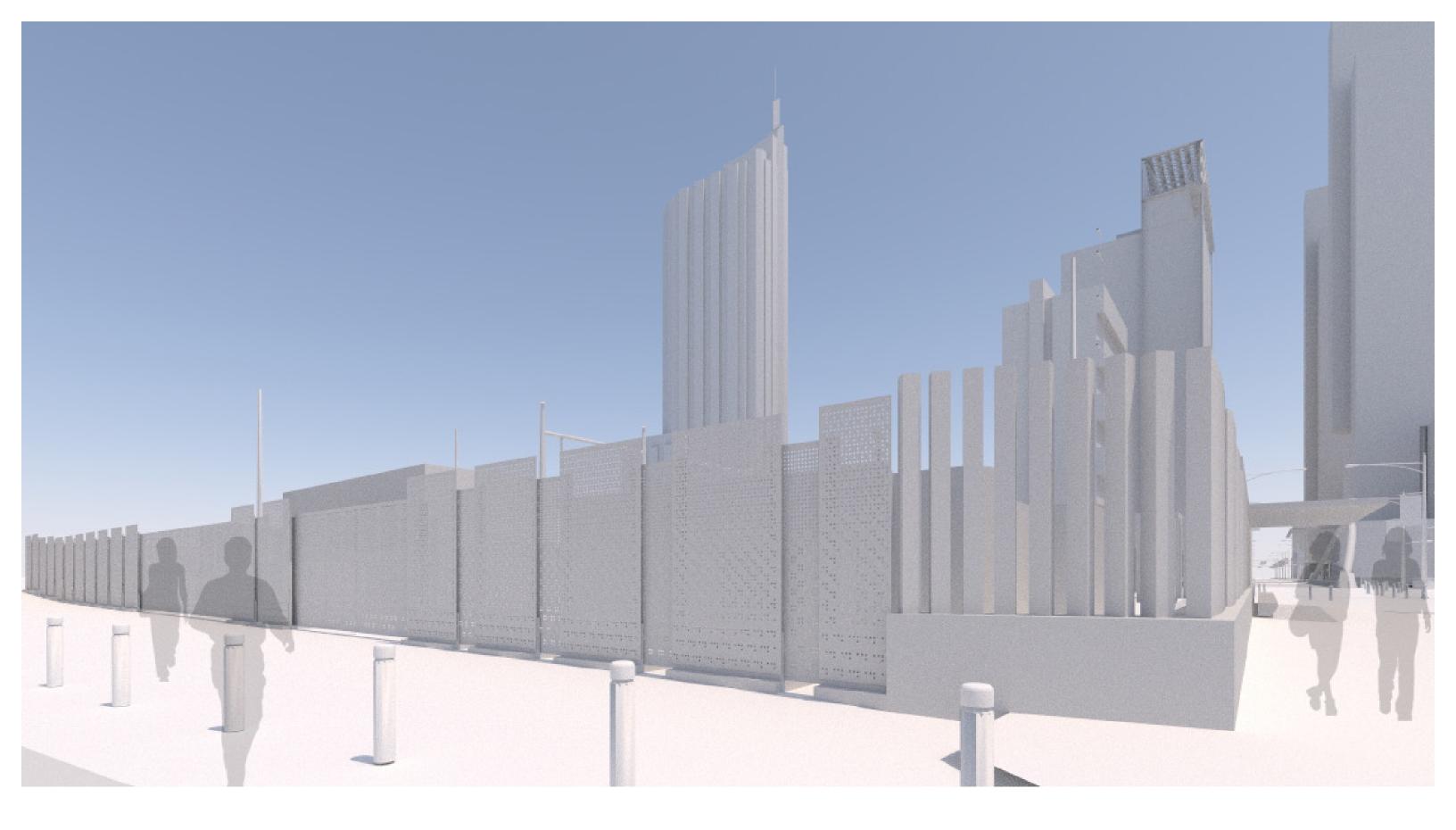


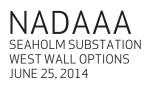


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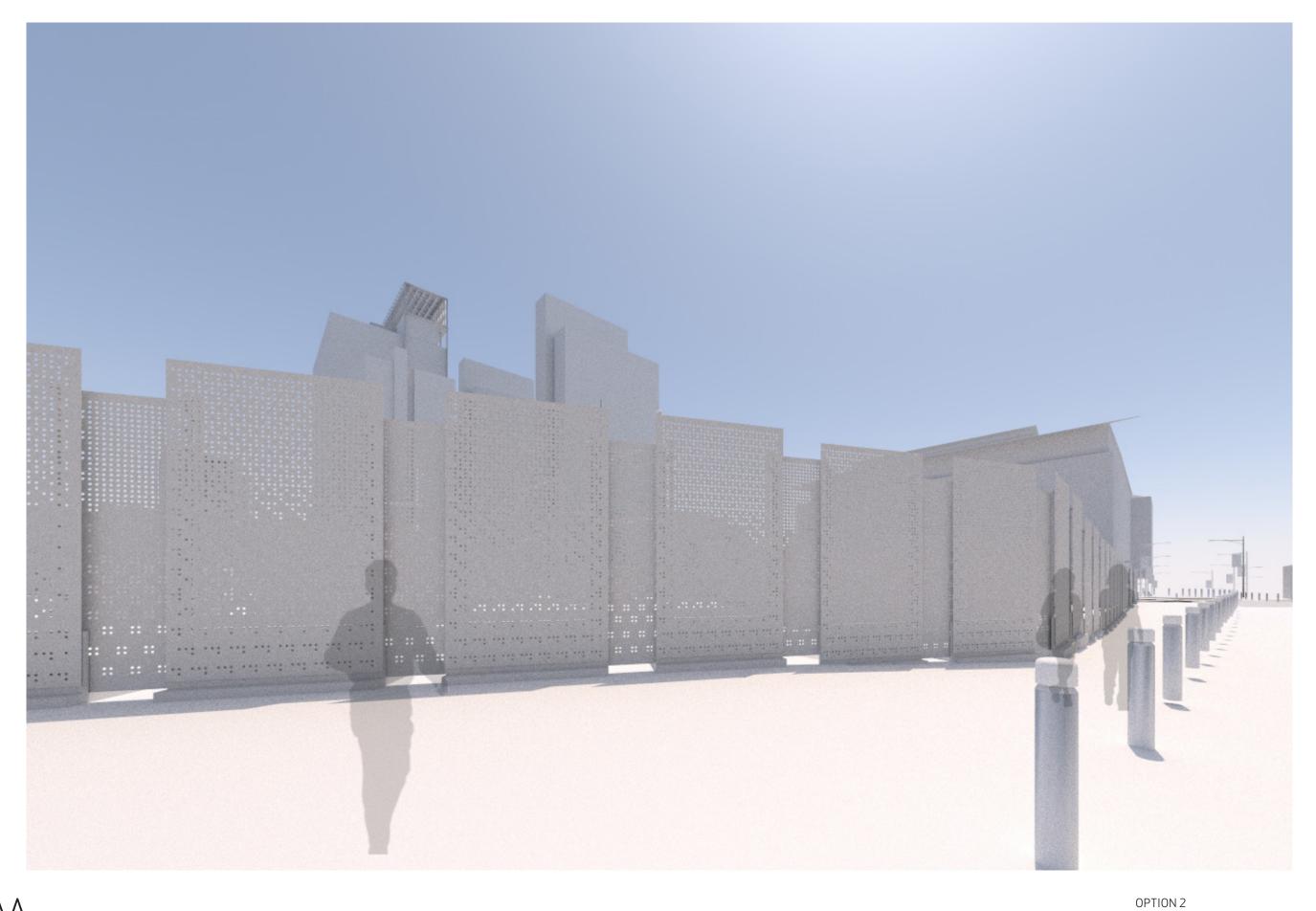






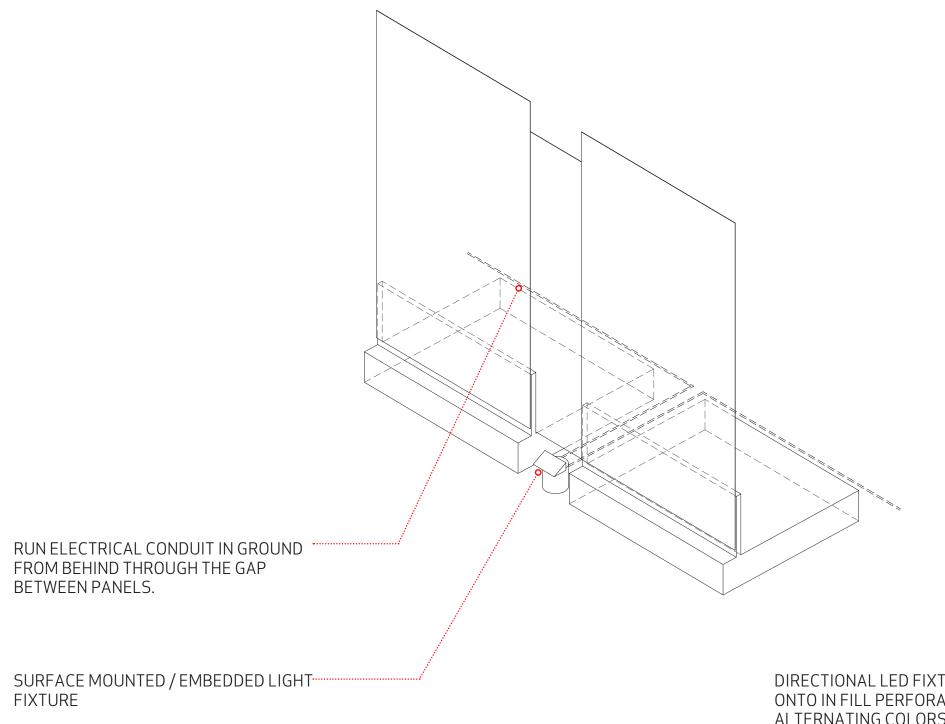


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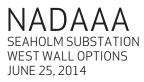


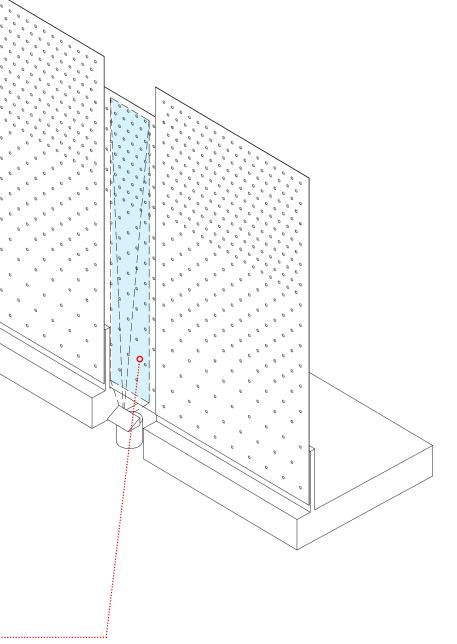
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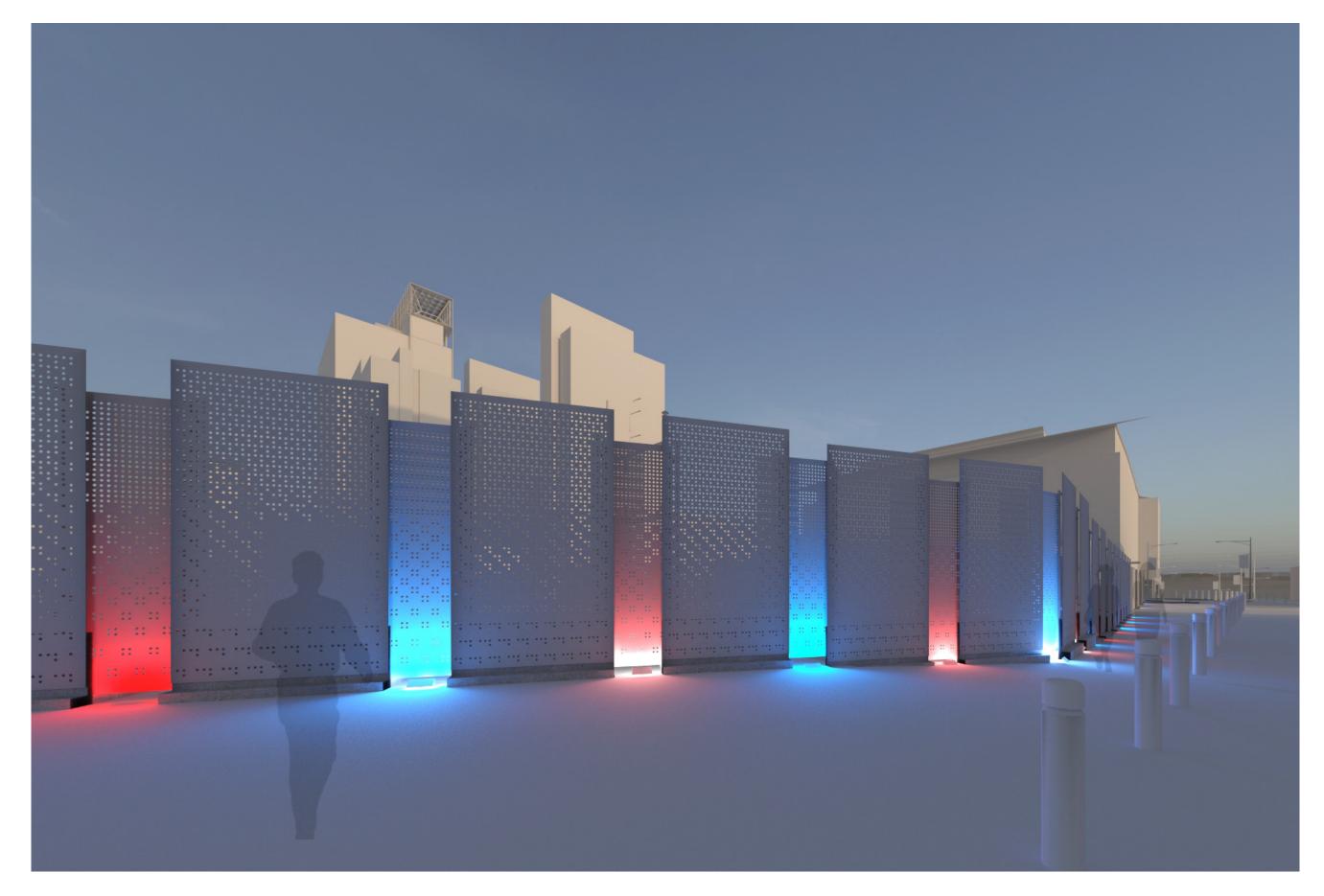
DIRECTIONAL LED FIXTURE PROJECTED ONTO IN FILL PERFORATED PANEL WITH ALTERNATING COLORS





OPTION 2

PERFORATED METAL PANELS WITH PERFORATED METAL IN-FILL PANELS & GATES





PERFORATED METAL PANELS WITH PERFORATED METAL IN-FILL PANELS & GATES

Publicly Accessible Plazas as a Public Benefit Under the Downtown Density Bonus Program DESIGN COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION

After thorough review of the Downtown Austin Plan Density Bonus Program for Public Plaza Standards, the Design Commission recommends its approval, but offers the following comments/recommendations. Since these comments have been consolidated from several sources, there may be some contradictions, but we believe they are all important to consider.

GENERAL

- 1] The applicant must be encouraged to expend the effort required to make these plazas a successful enhancement of the public realm.
- 2] Lessons can be learned from the New York City Density Bonus Plaza Standards, and the works of Thomas Balsley and Jerold Kayden. These resources should be referenced in the COA program if possible.
- 3] The Plaza Standards should be prescriptive enough to ensure that the space meets public needs, but not overly prescriptive in that it diminishes creative possibilities.
- 4] Some type of design excellence should be targeted, at a minimum, a licensed design professional with a portfolio of similar work.
- 5] Encourage Staff to produce as detailed and precise a document as the one that governs the New York City Plaza Bonus Program. I site specifically adopting the ratio of linear seating per square foot of plaza. Intent is to ensure that the plaza/arcade purpose is to accommodate the public during open hours. I cite the Frost Tower arcade as a public amenity that has no infrastructure to support the public. The lack of a long term retail establishment in the north east retail space adds to the perception of abandonment.

SPECIFIC

- 1. DIMENSIONS
 - Consider more specific dimensions by size of development so applicant is clear as to their responsibility. Full block- 4,000sf, half block- 2,000sf, quarter block- 1,000sf.
- 2. CONFIGURATION
 - If an arcade is to be proposed as a viable alternative to an open air plaza, include it as an explicit option with linear seating requirements, maintenance and design requirements. The arcade is an excellent option in this dimate and can satisfy the intent of the plaza density bonus program.
 - Delete reference to prescriptive shape but stress avoidance of dark, uninviting alcoves.
 - Have 75% open to the sky and a maximum of 25% covered.
- 3. VISIBILITY
 - "Completely visible" might be difficult to achieve. Allow some flexibility.
- 4. ELEVATION
 - A variance to the 18" elevation change might be required due to topography. All elevation changes must address handicapped accessibility.
- 5. CIRCULATION PATHS
 - Ensure that obstacles not be placed within the circulation paths.
 - Either mention handicapped accessibility or reference Item 13 "Standards of Accessibility for Persons with Disabilities".

6. PROHIBITIONS

Mitigate unwanted noise that could affect the ambiance of the plaza.

7. SEATING

- Variety: Use movable tables and chairs to foster daily interaction.
- Location: Concern that a seat wall or seating arrangement might be located at the property line that might limit public access or be perceived as limiting public access, i.e. the plaza at the W Hotel. Need to look at integration of the ROW into a plaza that might initiate on private property, i.e. the plaza at Post on South Lamar. (This could also be addressed in Item 2-CONFIGURATION.)
- Delete the word "adequate". (TB)
- Skate board deterrents may be necessary.
- Need to specify a certain required linear feet of seating per linear feet of public plaza street frontage. In NYC, it is one linear foot of seating for every two linear feet of public plaza street frontage. In SF, it is one linear foot per linear foot of plaza perimeter.
- Need to ensure seating is relatively comfortable.

8. TREES AND OTHER PLANTING

- If plant materials is included in the design proposal, applicant must demonstrate a minimum of 6 hours of full sun will hit planted areas. The intent of this requirement is to prevent an abundance of north facing plaza's that demonstrate a potential for poor plant persistence or an lack of variety of plant material if only shade tolerant species are specified throughout down town. Variety of character is essential if a series of plaza is to be successful.
- Encourage low-maintenance, drought-tolerant plants, although this could contradict requirement for "lush planting".
- Trees The amount of trees needs to be calibrated with the amount of space open to the sky.
- Reference Urban Forestry regarding soil volumes.
- Additional Plantings- Need to look at the percentage of planted area for mitigation of the Urban Heat Island and green infrastructure. The Urban Design Guidelines call for 30%
- Ground level planting may get trampled. Raised planters open to the ground may be a good alternative.
- All planting areas should be serviced by sustainable water practices such as drip irrigation or bubblers.
- All planting areas need to drain to storm or have dry wells.

9. SUN CONTROL DEVICES

- The Downtown/PARB Open Space Task Force recommended that this category be changed to SHADE and the standards address all types of shade from overhangs, to arbors, to the dappled light from trees.
- The maximum projection of 2'-6" seems shallow.

10. LIGHTING AND ELECTRICAL POWER

- INFRASTRUCTURE might be a better name for this section so it could include hose bibs and drains, electrical
 outlets for outdoor music and events, charging stations, WIFI access, drinking fountains, trash receptades,
 bike racks, restrooms, storage, etc.
- Lighting might include low level spotlighting or interactive lighting features. Shielding of light sources is important.

11. PUBLIC SPACE SIGNAGE

- Permanent Entrance Plaque
- Signage must CLEARLY include ownership, and prohibited uses. The intent is to prevent any misinterpretation of the rules governing the use of the plaza.
- Incorporate a standard Privately Owned Public Space logo which is easily recognizable. Allow the building
 owner to be listed as the Plaza Steward in similar typeface as the rest of the sign.
- Do not allow advertising tenant signs
- Integrate Public Plazas into COA new Wayfinding Program.

12. OPERATIONAL STANDARDS

- Applicant must demonstrate a perpetual care and maintenance commitment for the plaza or arcade. Intent is to demonstrate that plaza or arcade will be perceived as functional and safe for the public. Perceived safety is essential for long term viability. Safety includes prevention of physical harm and physical assault.
- The density bonus plaza should <u>never</u> be entirely closed to the public during operating hours. The public space should be accessible at all times.
- Encourage use of friendly security to provide visible access for "eyes on the street".

13. STANDARDS OF ACCESSIBILITY FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

- Replace "applicable building codes standards" with Texas Accessibility Standards (TAS).
- 14. USES FRONTING ON PUBLIC PLAZAS
 - Food and drink service should be encouraged to activate the public plazas but use of the plaza should not depend on buying anything from those services.
 - Open air café street frontage should be limited so the plaza is visible as being public.
 - Encourage a building entrance on the plaza for safety and vibrancy of the space.
 - Applicant must demonstrate that there will be no permanent retail located in the plaza. The intent behind this requirement is to prevent any misperception that the plaza is associated with a retail establishment; the plaza is for the citizens of Austin and its guests.

15. ALTERNATIVE EQUIVALENT COMPLIANCE

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