# DESIGN REVIEW BOARD

#### September 28, 2015

*Case Number* DRB2015-12

*Applicant* NeighborWorks Great Falls

**Representative** Dani Grebe LPW Architects

*Owner* NeighborWorks Great Falls

**Property Location** 1201 1st Avenue South

#### **Recommendation**

Approve the submitted design with conditions

#### Project Planner

Garrett Norman

### FIRST AVENUE ESTATES 1201 1ST AVENUE SOUTH



#### **Project Description**

The applicant is proposing to construct a new 12-unit apartment complex, located at the northeast corner of 12th St S and 1st Ave S. The subject property was aggregated from three standard city lots (50'x150') into one.

#### Background

- Legal Description: Lot 12A, Block 356, Great Falls Water Power and Townsite Company's First Addition Great Falls Townsite, Located in the NE 1/4 of Section 12, T20N, R3E, P.M. MT., Cascade County, Montana
- Property Area: ±22,694 square feet
- Property Zoning: R-5 Multi-family medium density
- Existing Land Use: Parking Lot
- Proposed Land Use: 12-unit Apartment Complex

### Project Overview

#### Background

On September 2, 2014, the City Commission approved Ordinance 3124 for a zoning map amendment of the subject property from R-3 Single-family high density to R-5 Multi-family medium density. The intent during the rezone of this property was to construct a multi-family apartment unit.

The proposed apartment will provide 12 total units at three levels in one structure. Each unit will be approximately 900 square feet with 3 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, a kitchen and dining area, and private laundry facilities in the unit. The total height of the structure will be approximately 35 feet from grade with each story at approximately 4,770 square feet for a total of 14,460 square feet.

The project provides a total of 19 parking spaces including 1 ADA accessible space. The required number of spaces is 18. Ingress to the parking lot will be from 12th Street South and egress will be onto the alley.

#### Landscaping

The project utilizes a variety of vegetation including grasses, perennial flowers, coniferous shrubs, and deciduous shrubs and trees. The project provides 10 trees within the 1st Avenue South and 12th Street South boulevards, 6 of which are existing. The boulevards also include sod. Surrounding the building will be a variety of shrubs and perennials that are planted on a mulched or river rock bed. There are several existing trees planted along the eastern property line that will remain. All exposed mechanical equipment is screened with vegetation. The proposed landscape plan is in compliance with the standards prescribed in Chapter 44 of Title 17 of the Official Code of the City of Great Falls (OCCGF). For reference, the proposed Landscape Plan is attached to this report in Exhibit E.

### **Outdoor Lighting**

The proposal includes outdoor lighting on the façade of the building in the form of sconces and a pole light on the southern edge of the parking lot. The applicant has provided a photometric outdoor lighting plan for review. The plan complies with the requirements of Chapter 40 of Title 17 of the OCCGF. For reference, the photometric outdoor lighting plan is attached to this report in Exhibit E.

#### **Exterior Elevations**

The project provides articulation in height through various roof peaks, patios/balconies, and windows. Exterior finishes will utilize lap and board and batten siding with a stone veneer wainscot. The change in material and color provides for a more expressive façade treatment, creating an inviting and appealing look.

### New Construction: Exhibit 28-1 Standards and Guidelines for specified projects and buildings

The proposed project is consistent with the guidelines and standards of Exhibit 28-1. The proposed building is a positive asset to the area. The building placement maximizes the space and takes advantage of southerly solar exposure. The proposed exterior material, façade design, and colors create an inviting visual interest. Overall, the design positively addresses access, natural terrain, and relationship to nearby buildings to the maximum extent feasible. The proposed trash enclosure will be surrounded by a slatted chain link fence. All ground mechanical equipment will be screened by vegetation.

#### **Conformance with Title 17**

The applicant's representative will develop plans and specifications in conformance with the relevant requirements of Title 17 Land Development Code.

#### **Conformance with Title 15**

The applicant's representative will develop plans and specifications in conformance with the relevant requirements of Title 15 Building and Construction.

#### Recommendation

Staff supports this application and recommends the Design Review Board approve the submitted design subject to the Conditions of Approval.

#### **Suggested Motion**

1. Board Member moves:

I move that the Design Review Board (approve/approve with conditions) the Design Review Board Application for the First Avenue Estates project, as shown in the conceptual development plans contained within this report and provided by the applicant's representative, subject to the following Conditions of Approval:

- A. The proposed project shall be developed consistent with the conditions in this staff report, all codes and ordinances of the City of Great Falls, the State of Montana and all other applicable regulatory agencies.
- B. If after the approval of the concept development plan as approved by this Board, the owner proposes to expand or modify the conceptual development plans, the Director of the Planning and Community Development Department shall determine in writing if such proposed change would alter the concept for one or more review criteria. If such proposed change would alter the plan, the proposal shall be resubmitted for review as a new application.
- C. The applicant shall submit plans and specifications to Planning and Community Development Department in conformance with the relevant requirements of Title 15 Building and Construction, of the Official Code of the City of Great Falls.
- D. The applicant shall submit plans and specifications to Planning and Community Development Department in conformance with the relevant requirements of Title 17 Land Development Code, of the Official Code of the City of Great Falls.

2. Chairman calls for a second, discussion, inquiries from the public, and calls the vote.

Cc: Dave Dobbs, City Engineering
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 Todd Seymanski, City Forester
 Neil Fortier, NeighborWorks Great Falls; Nfortier@nwgf.org
 Dani Grebe, Project Architect/Representative; danig@lpwarchitecture.com

## EXHIBIT A - APPLICATION

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NeighborWorks First Avenue	Estates Apartment Cor	nplex		
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NeighborWorks				
Owner Name:		1.000000000		
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Neil Fortier				
Representative Name:				
509 1st Ave S., Great Falls, M	T 59401			
Mailing Address:				
(406) 216-3515				
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I (We), the undersigned, attest that the Further, I (We) owner of said property	above information is true ; authorize the above listed	nd correct to the l representative to a	best of my (our) knowledge. act as my agent in this	
application.	~		- 1 1	
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Property Owner's Signature:	Digitally signed by Dani G	raba	Date:	

Date:

**Representative's Signature:** 

Form Creation Date: 01.26.2012

# EXHIBIT B - AERIAL MAP





1201 1st Ave S Tracts of Land



## Exhibit C - Site Photos



VIEW LOOKING NE FROM 1ST AVE S AND 12TH ST S



VIEW LOOKING EAST FROM 12TH ST S



VIEW LOOKING SOUTH FROM THE ALLEY NORTH OF THE SUBJECT PROPERTY

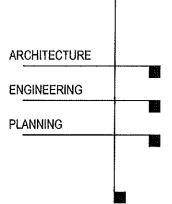


VIEW LOOKING NORTH FROM 1ST AVE S

### EXHIBIT D - PROPOSED RENDERING



# EXHIBIT E - PROJECT NARRATIVE AND PLAN SET



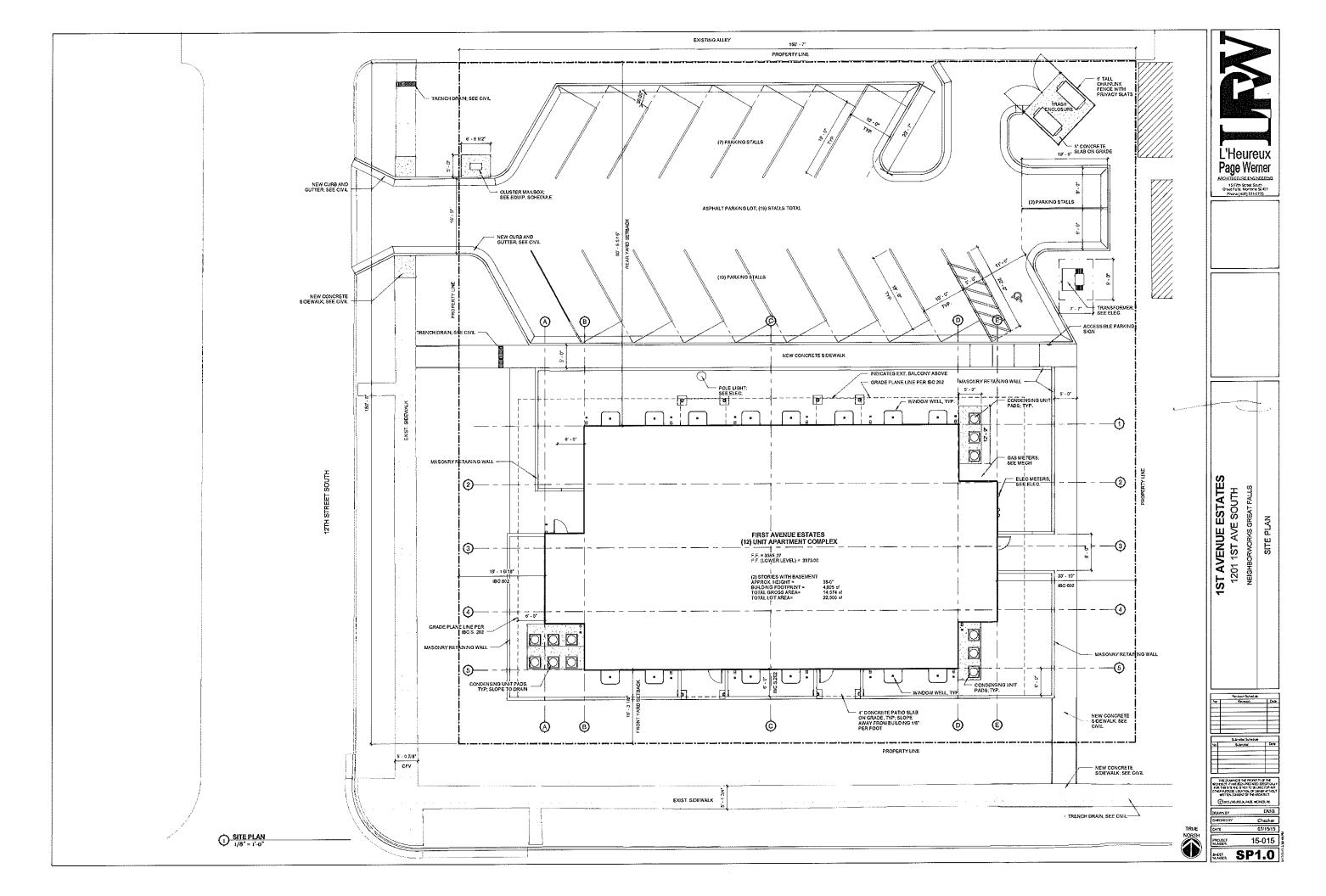
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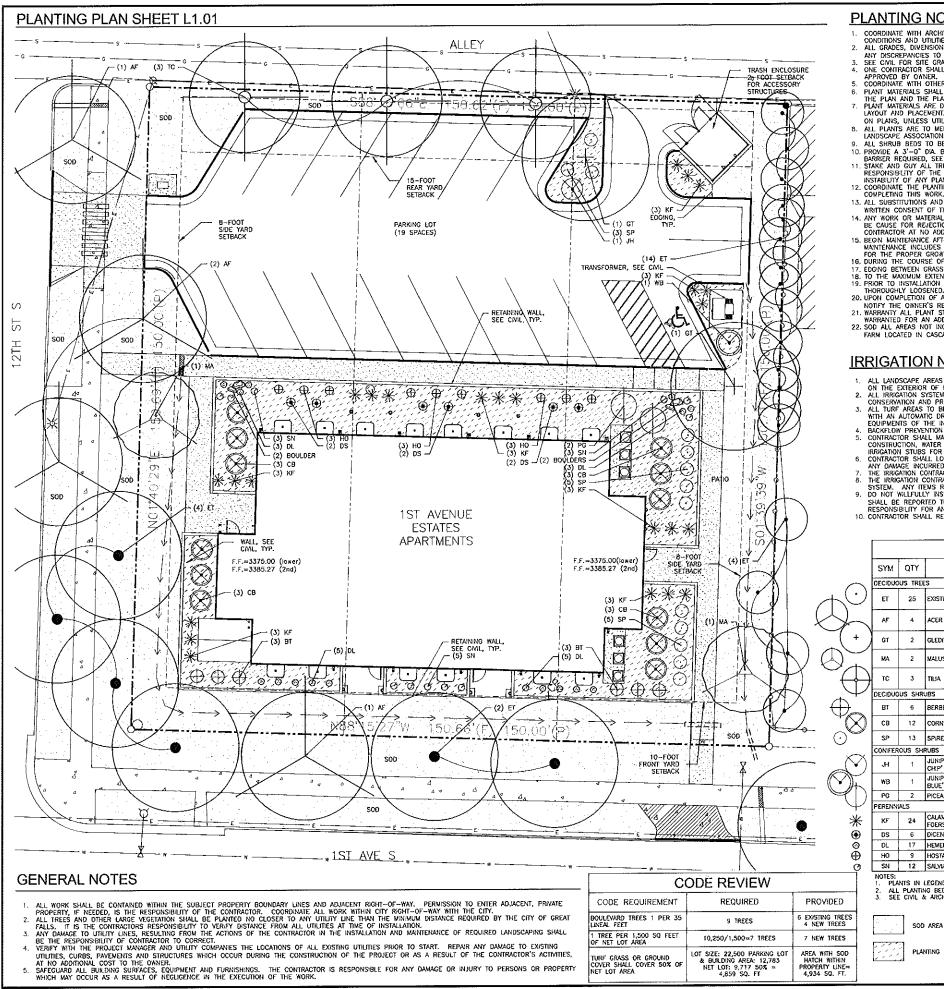
**Narrative of Project** 

NeighborWorks Great Falls is proposing to build a 12 unit, three level (two-story) complex with on-site parking. The building is surrounded with landscaping and masonry block retaining walls with sodded areas around the parking lot and sidewalks. There will be two entrances on the east and west elevations to a common stairwell and hallway. All basement units will be ADA accessible. The above grade units each have private exterior balconies composed of residential style railing. Two of the below grade units will have walk out patios located on the south side of the building. There will be a shingled gable roof with smaller secondary gables on the stairwells and exterior balconies. The exterior finishes will complement the existing residences with a use of common residential lap and board and batten siding with a stone veneer wainscot.

The majority of the units will be low-income units with market rate units on the top floor. Each 900 sf apartment contains three bedrooms, two bathrooms, a kitchen and dining area, and private laundry facilities within the unit.







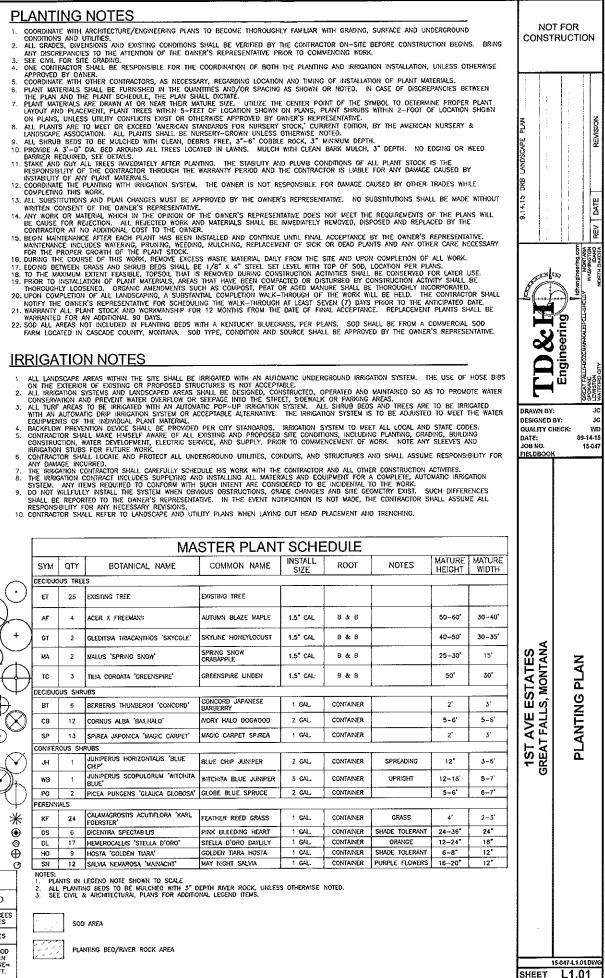
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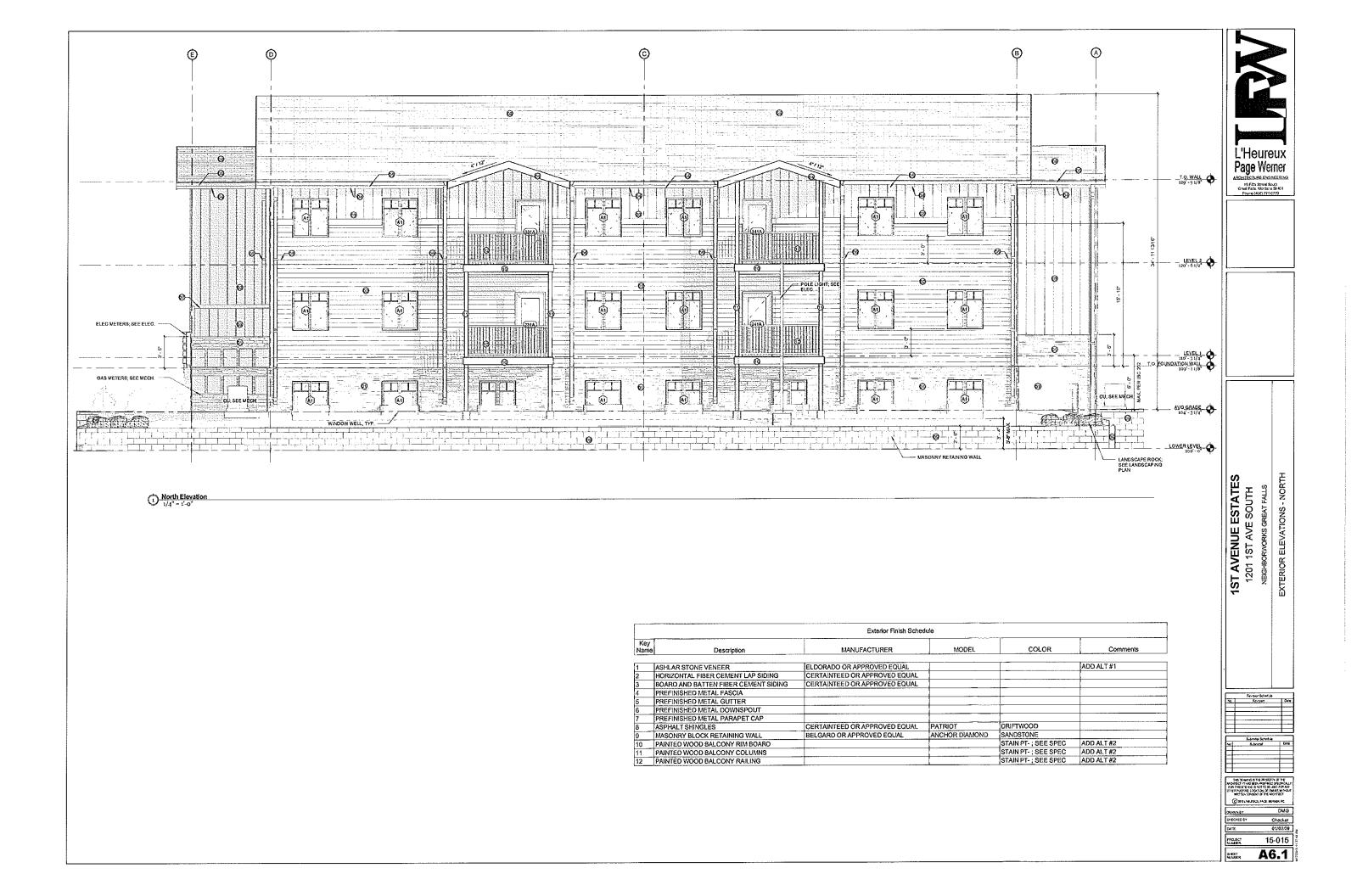
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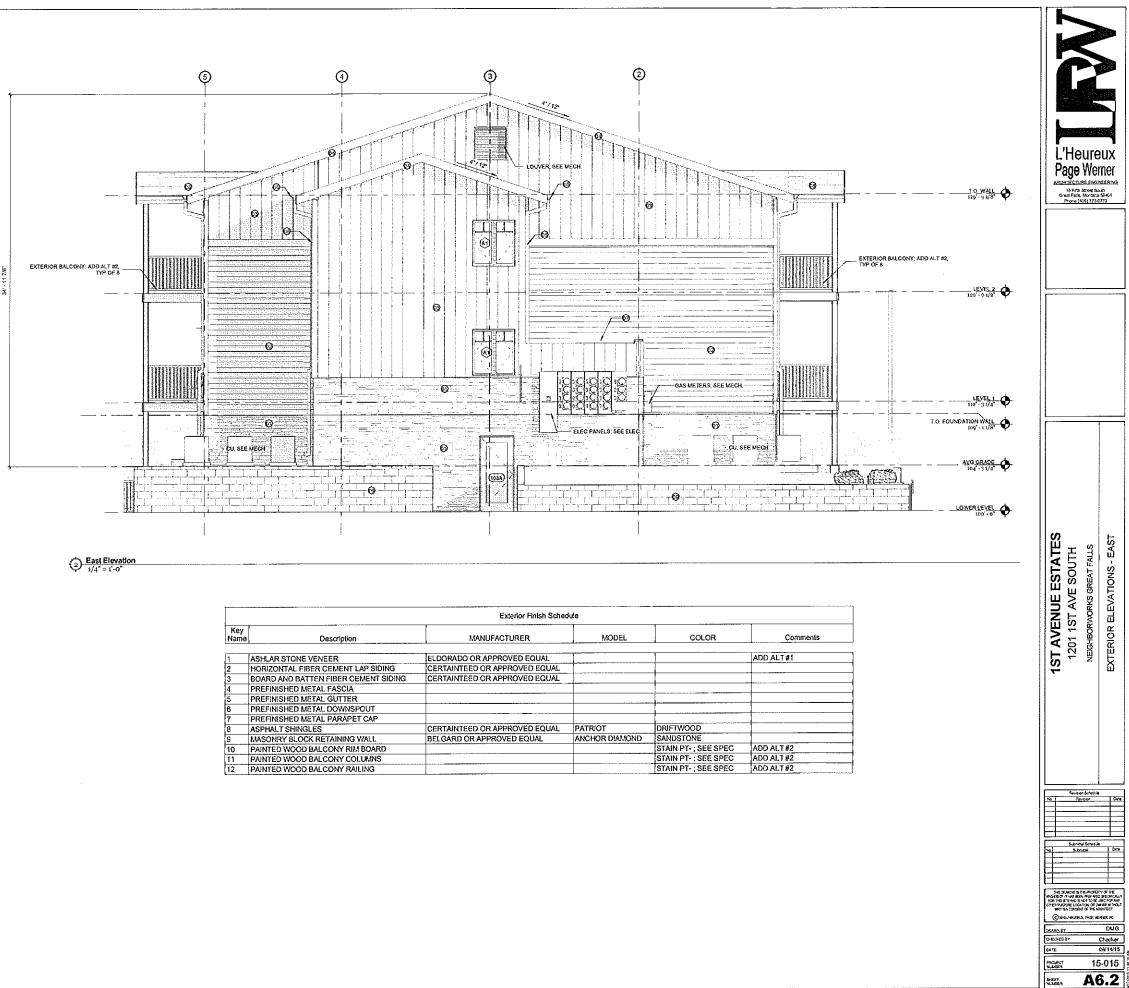
#### **IRRIGATION NOTES**

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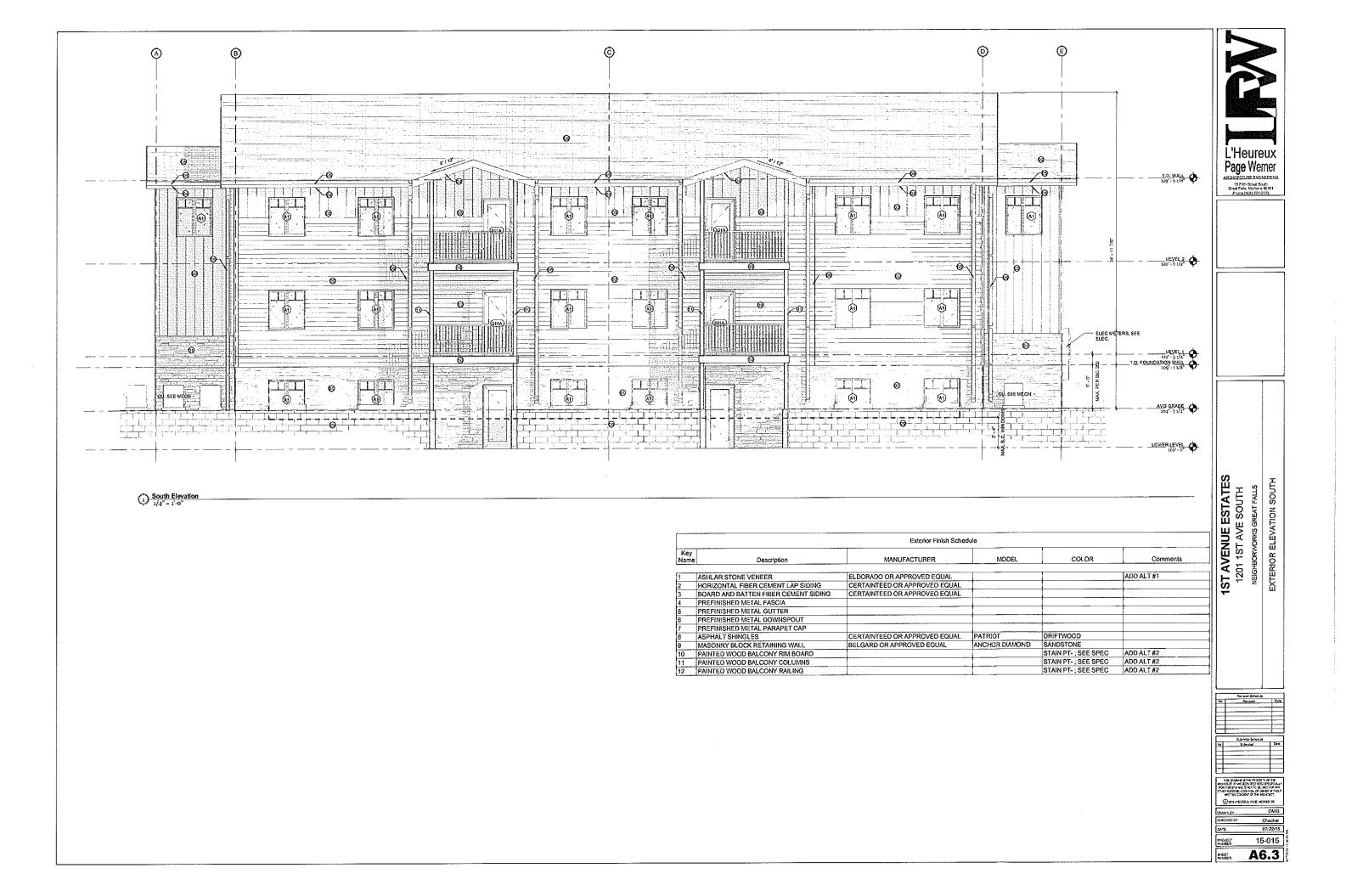
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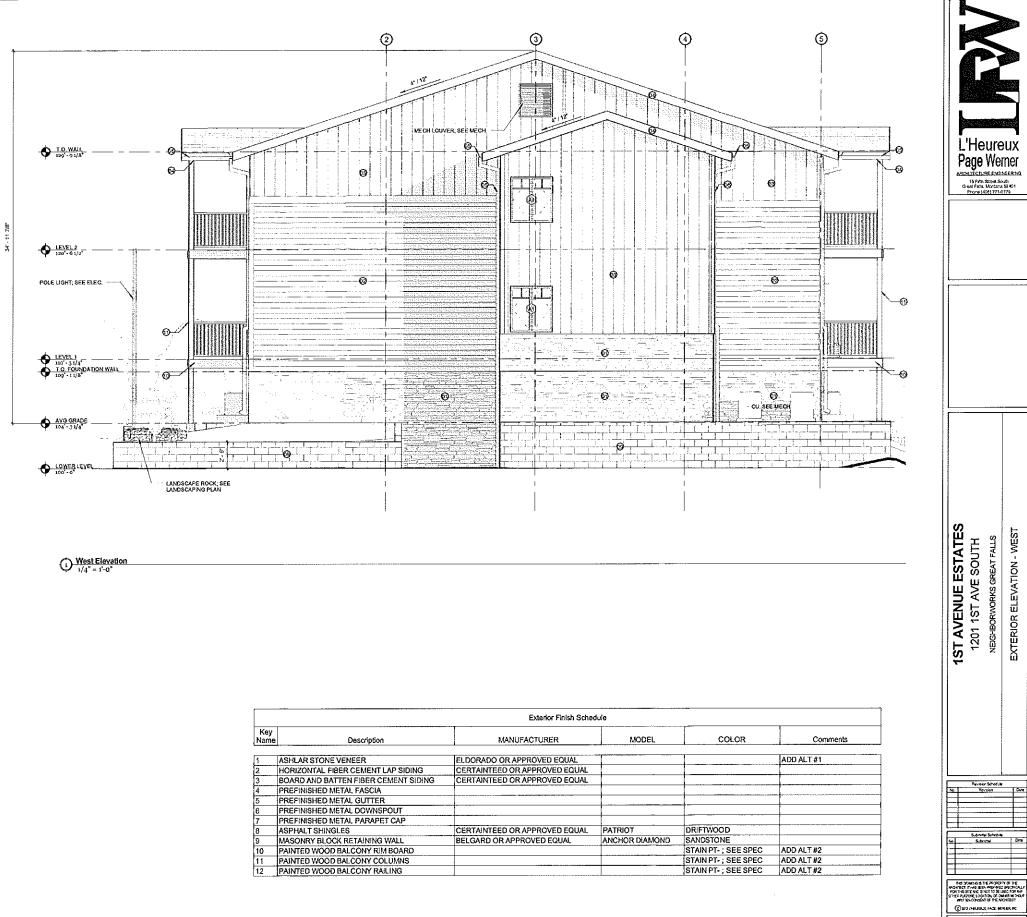






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6	PREFINISHED METAL DOWNSPOUT						
7	PREFINISHED METAL PARAPET CAP						
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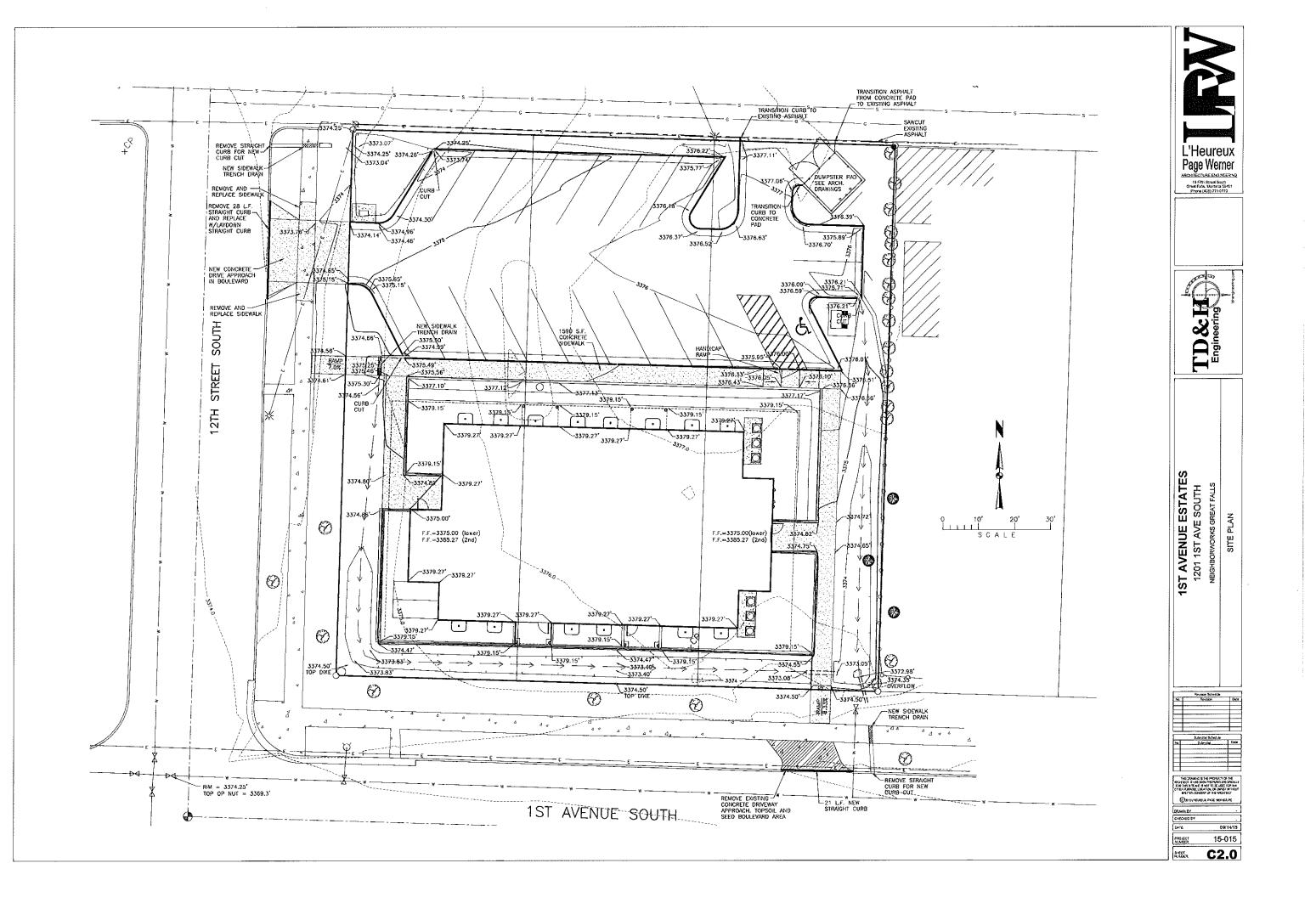
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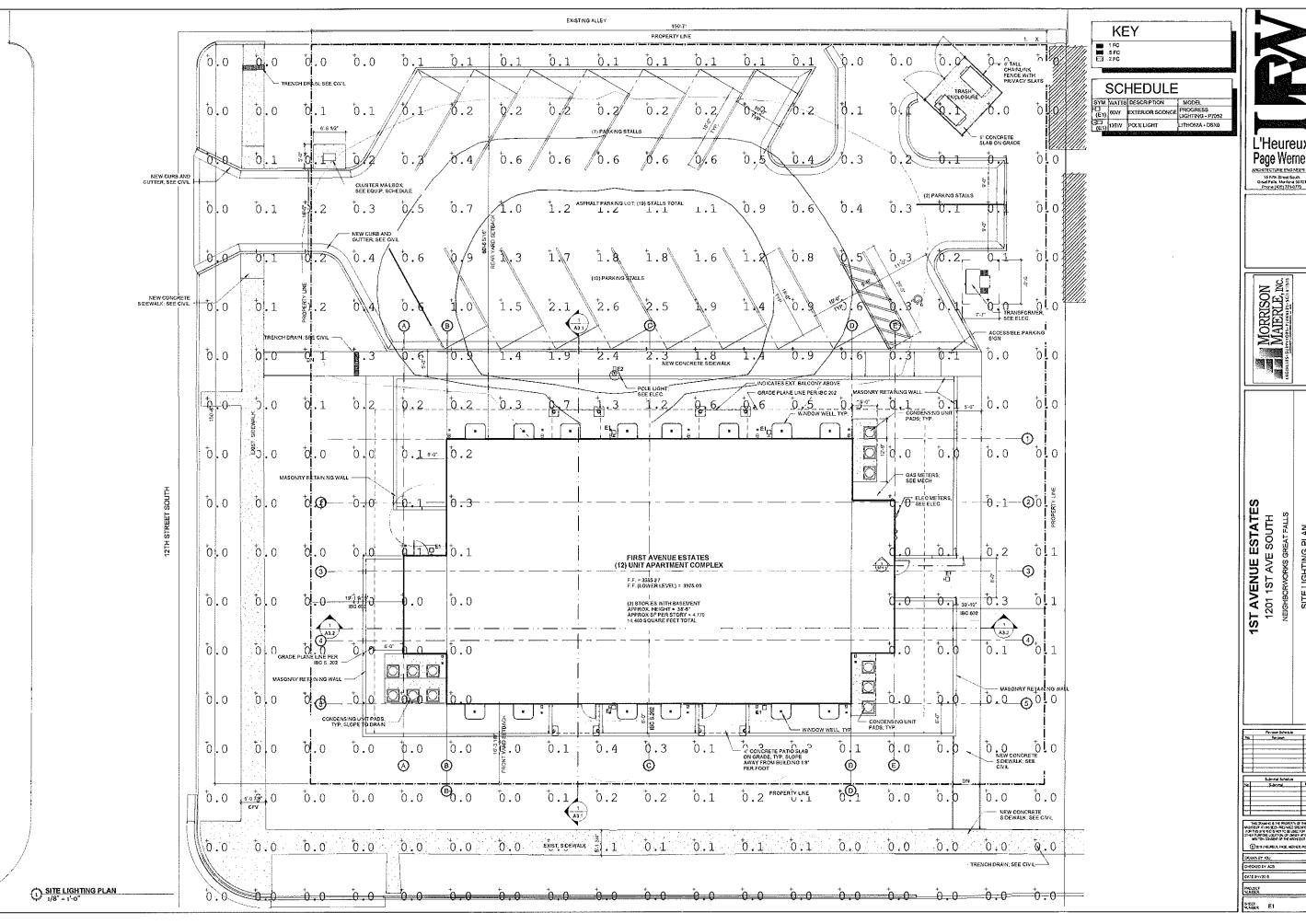
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