

October 24, 2022

[Via Email]

Christopher Carthy, Chairman Town of North Castle Planning Board 17 Bedford Road Armonk, NY 10504

Re: WMG Acquisitions LLC

Amended Site Plan Application – BaySpace Armonk

100 Business Park Drive (108.03-1-51)

Chairman Carthy and Members of the Planning Board:

This firm, in collaboration with JMC and SGW Architecture & Design, represents WMG Acquisitions LLC ("Applicant"), contract vendee of the property located at 100 Business Park Drive ("Property"), in connection with this amended site plan application. As you will recall, the intent of this application is to construct a 146,792 s.f. self-storage/warehouse building with associated off-street parking and landscaping improvements.

We made our initial presentation before your Board on September 29, 2022. Based on discussions held with your Board, the following modifications have been made to our plans:

- A. Location of Warehouse Loading Area: The location of the proposed warehouse and self-storage facility within the proposed building have been flipped. The warehouse component is now located on the northern side of the building and the self-storage component has been moved to the southern side. This modification allows the loading dock servicing the warehouse to be shifted slightly to the south. Additionally, the entrance to the self-storage facility has been relocated to the southern side of the building, which allows it to have its own loading and drop-off area, separate and distinct from the warehouse, along the southern most proposed driveway.
- B. <u>Outdoor Storage</u>: As discussed at the September 29th meeting, the Applicant is requesting to keep the previously approved outdoor storage area at the rear and side of the existing warehouse building. While the Applicant acknowledges that the current outdoor storage has expanded beyond what was approved, the construction of a new building will effectively eliminate any chance for the outdoor storage to creep outside of the permitted outdoor storage area. Additionally, once the Applicant takes title to the Property, it will

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diligently monitor the outdoor storage and ensure it is in compliance with the approved site plan. In order to mitigate any visual impacts associated with the outdoor storage, a 6' high decorative privacy fence, supplemented by evergreen plantings, will be installed to provide screening from Business Park Drive. Further, the current owner of the Property has recently installed evergreen tree plantings on the eastern side of the building to provide screening to and from Interstate 684.

In support of this application, the following plans are enclosed herewith:

- 1. Sheet C-100, Overall Site Playout Plan, prepared by JMC, dated September 12, 2022, last revised October 24, 2012;
- 2. Sheet C-101, Site Layout Plan, prepared by JMC, dated September 12, 2022, last revised October 24, 2012;
- 3. Sheet C-500, Site Landscaping & Wetland Mitigation Plan, prepared by JMC, dated September 12, 2022, last revised October 24, 2012;
- 4. Sheet A0-01, Site Plan, prepared by SWG Architecture & Design, dated September 12, 2022, last revised October 20, 2022;
- 5. Sheet A-101, First Floor Plan, prepared by SWG Architecture & Design, dated September 12, 2022, last revised October 20, 2022;
- 6. Sheet A-102, Second Floor/Mezzanine Plan, prepared by SWG Architecture & Design, dated September 12, 2022, last revised October 20, 2022;
- 7. Sheet A-103, Third Floor Plan, prepared by SWG Architecture & Design, dated September 12, 2022, last revised October 20, 2022; and
- 8. A-201, Building Elevations, prepared by SWG Architecture & Design, dated September 12, 2022, last revised October 20, 2022.

In addition to the attached plans, we are also enclosing a Comment/Response letter prepared by JMC, dated October 24, 2022, which addresses the comments raised in the Town Planner's memorandum dated September 14, 2022.

We look forward to continuing our discussion of this application with your Board and, if your Board deems appropriate, receiving positive recommendations to both the Zoning Board of Appeals and the Architectural Review Board. Please place this matter on the Planning Board's November 14, 2022 agenda.



If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Respectfully submitted,

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RE: JMC Project 22090
BaySpace Armonk
100 Business Park Drive
Town of North Castle, NY

Response to Town Comments Resubmission

Dear Chairman Carthy and Members of the Planning Board:

On behalf of the owner and applicant, A&R Real Estate Holdings LLC and WMG Acquisitions LLC, respectively, we are pleased to submit the following documents for your continued review of the Amended Site Plan Application for the proposed warehouse/self-storage project at the 100 Business Park Drive property:

I. JMC Drawings:

Dwg. No.	<u>Rev. #</u>	Rev. #/Date		
C-100A	Overall Site Layout Plan	1	10/24/2022	
C-100	Site Layout Plan	l	10/24/2022	
C-500	Site Landscaping & Wetland Mitigation Plan	I	10/24/2022	

2. SGW Architecture & Design Drawings:

<u>Dwg. No</u>	o. <u>Title</u>	Rev.	#/Date
A0-01	Site Plan	2	10/20/2022
A-101	First Floor Plan	2	10/20/2022
A-102	Second Floor/Mezzanine Plan	2	10/20/2022
A-103	Third Floor Plan	2	10/20/2022
A-201	Building Elevations	2	10/20/2022

The revisions depicted on the above noted plans reflect responses to comments outlined in the Town of North Castle Planning Department Memorandum, dated September 14, 2022. For ease of review, we have repeated and enumerated the comments in italic print, followed by our responses:

General Comments

Comment No. 1

The proposed design of the warehouse building provides for loading at the front of the building. As proposed, the loading in the front of the property is not permitted pursuant to Section 355-30.D(3) of the Town Code. It is strongly recommended that the loading area be relocated to the rear of the building in an effort to limit visual impacts of loading trucks fronting on Business Park Drive and to the public utilizing the self storage facility.

Response No. 1

As discussed during the 09/29/2022 Planning Board meeting, we have flipped the proposed self-storage and warehouse components of the proposed building. The proposed warehouse component will be located to the left side (adjacent to the existing office/warehouse building) with the loading dock shifting slightly to the south (the proposed 'central' driveway remaining at its current location). The self-storage component will be located on the right side (south) and will have its own loading/drop-off area along the southern most proposed driveway. Refer to JMC drawing C-101 "Site Layout Plan", last revised 10/24/2022.

Comment No. 2

The site plan depicts outdoor storage at the rear and side of the existing building. Given that the new building will accommodate the public for the self-storage use and given the difficulty the Applicant has had in containing outdoor storage to previously approved locations, it is recommended that all outdoor storage be prohibited on the site and all material shall be required to be placed in the existing and/or proposed warehouse.

Response No. 2

As discussed during the 09/29/2022 Planning Board meeting, we have added additional screening for the previously approved outdoor storage area along the southeast and east sides of the existing office/warehouse building. The southeast side of the outdoor storage area is proposed to be screened (from Business Park Drive) by a 6' high decorative privacy fence, supplemented by evergreen plantings and the east side of the outdoor storage area is proposed to be screened (from Interstate 684) by existing evergreen tree plantings recently installed by the previous applicant (A&R Real Estate Holdings LLC). Refer to JMC drawing C-101 "Site Layout Plan", last revised 10/24/2022 and JMC drawing C-500 "Site Landscaping & Wetland Mitigation Plan", last revised 10/24/2022.

Comment No. 3

The proposed warehouse building does not meet the 100 foot minimum front yard setback. The Applicant previously secured a 43 foot front yard variance from the Zoning Board of Appeals.

Response No. 3

The comment is so noted.

Comment No. 4

The proposed project does not comply with the maximum FAR permitted on the site. Specifically, a maximum FAR of 0.3 is permitted while the proposed FAR is 0.43.

Response No. 4

The comment is so noted. Application to the Town of North Castle Zoning Board of Appeals for an area variance for proposed FAR will be made upon referral from the Planning Board.

Comment No. 5

The site is required to provide 277 off-street parking spaces, but only 220 are provided. The Applicant should provide a plan depicting the location of all 220 off-street parking spaces for review.

Response No. 5

The comment is so noted. Application to the Town of North Castle Zoning Board of Appeals for an area variance for proposed off-street parking will be made upon referral from the Planning Board. The 220 proposed off-street parking spaces have been depicted on JMC drawing C-100 "Overall Site Layout Plan" last revised 10/24/2022.

Comment No. 6

The Byram River is located at the rear of the property. The site plan depicts 5,000 square feet of Town-regulated wetland buffer disturbance (if compensatory storage is not required). The Applicant is proposing a 36,570 square foot mitigation area.

Response No. 6

The comment is so noted. The proposed disturbance has remained unchanged from the previous approval.

Comment No. 7

The Planning Board previously approved the removal of 235 Town-regulated trees and the trees have been removed from the property.

Response No. 7

The comment is so noted. At this time, additional removal of Town-regulated trees is not proposed.

Comment No. 8

Pursuant to Section 355-30.D(I) of the Town Code, a ten-foot-deep landscaped foundation planting shall be provided along all building walls, except at access points, in interior courts, or where waived by the Planning Board. A sidewalk not exceeding four feet in width may be located in such required foundation parking area.

Response No. 8

The comment is so noted.

Comment No. 9

The site plan calculates that 20 loading spaces are required and that 20 loading spaces are proposed. The site plan should be revised to clearly depict the location of the 20 loading spaces.

Response No. 9

The 20 loading spaces have been depicted on JMC drawing C-101 "Site Layout Plan", last revised 10/24/2022.

Comment No. 10

The submitted elevations shall be revised to depict proposed Building Height (average grade to top of roof). Building Height can't exceed 35 feet in the PLI Zoning District.

Response No. 10

The building elevations have been revised to depict the proposed Building Height. Refer to SGW Architecture & Design drawing A-201 "Building Elevations", last revised 10/24/2022. An average grade calculation will be prepared and provided under separate cover.

We trust the attached documents and above responses are sufficient for your review and we respectfully request placement on the November 14th Planning Board agenda. Thank you for your consideration.

If you have any questions or require additional information, please do not hesitate to contact our office at (914) 273-5225.

Sincerely,

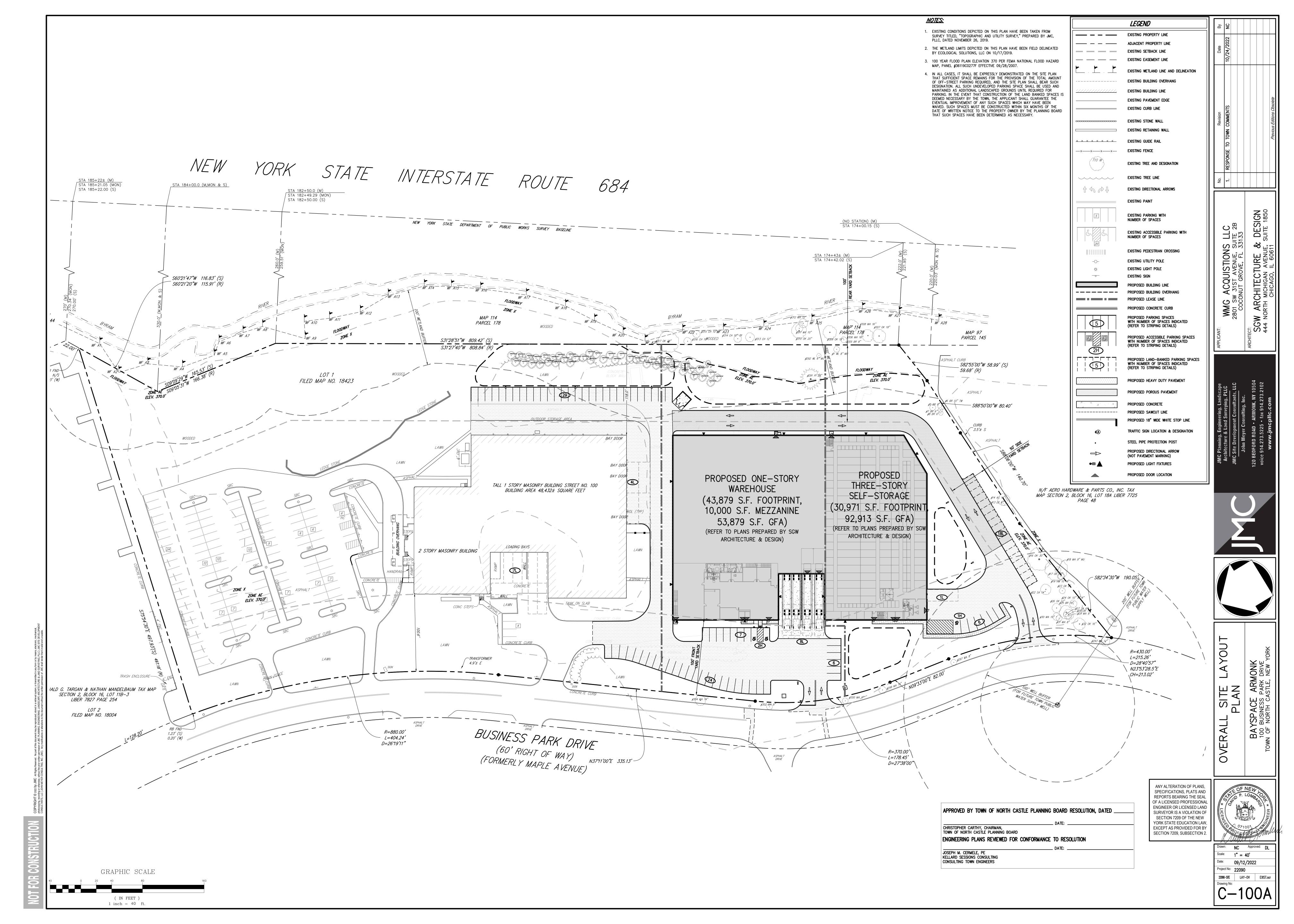
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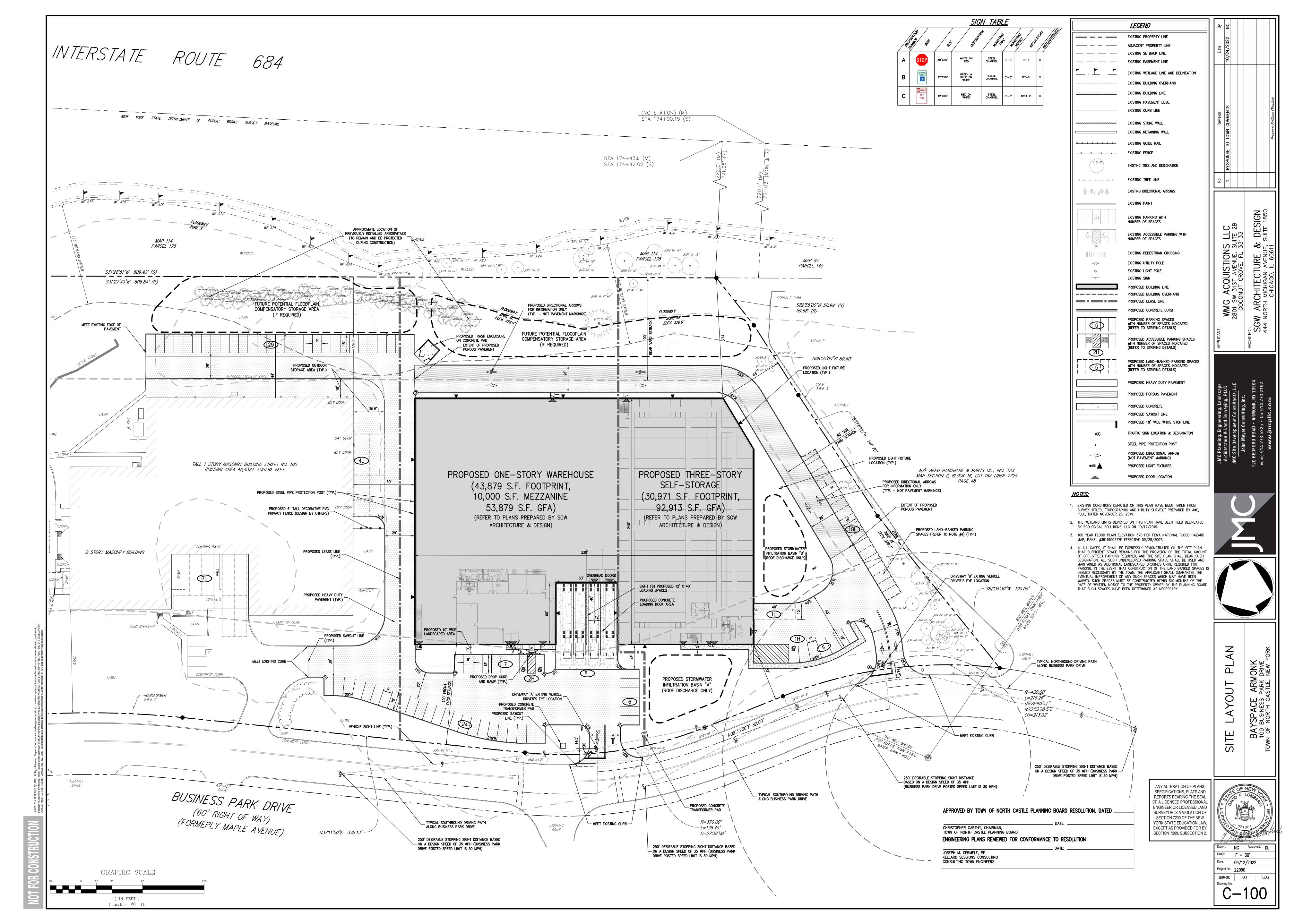
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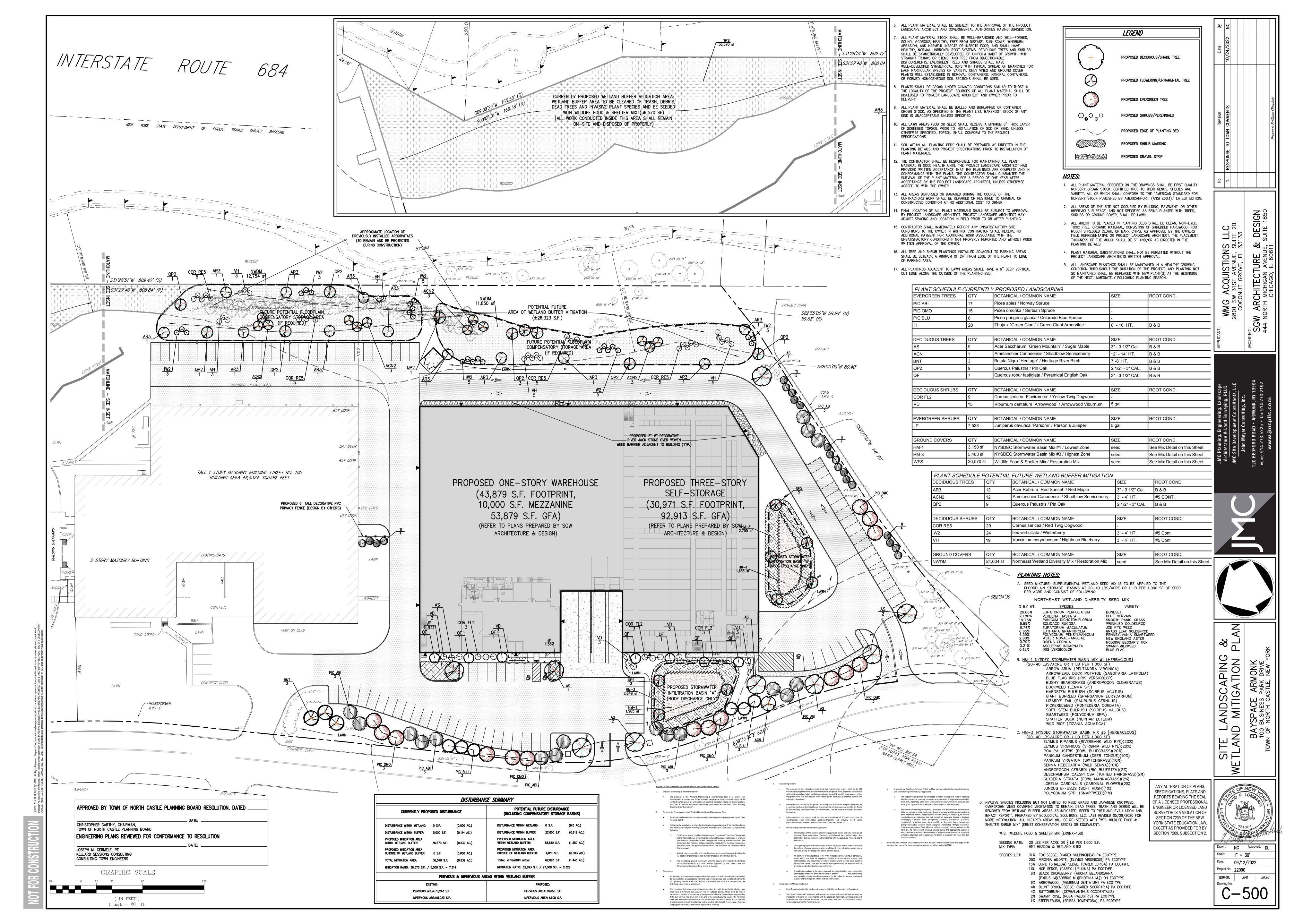
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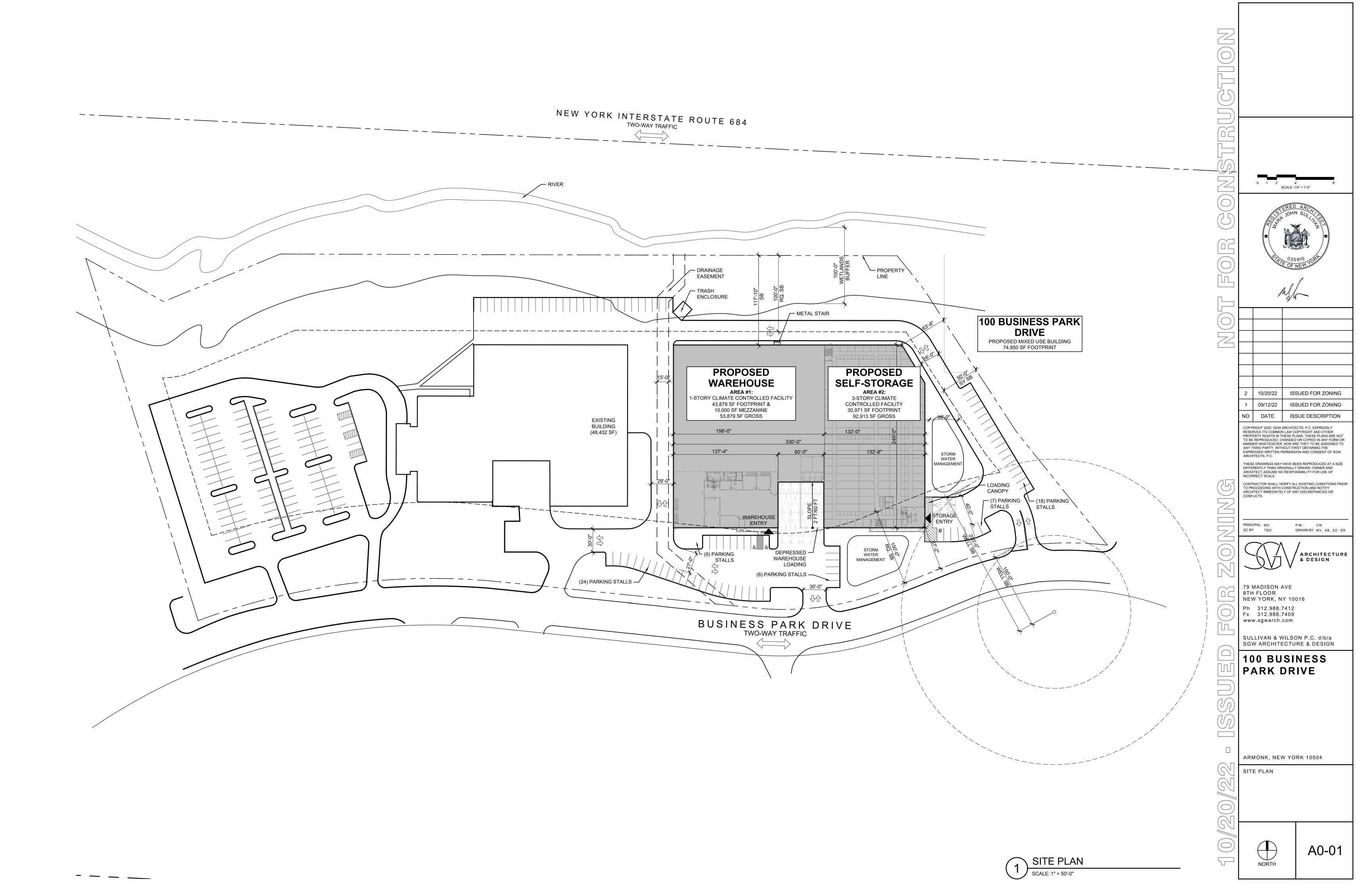
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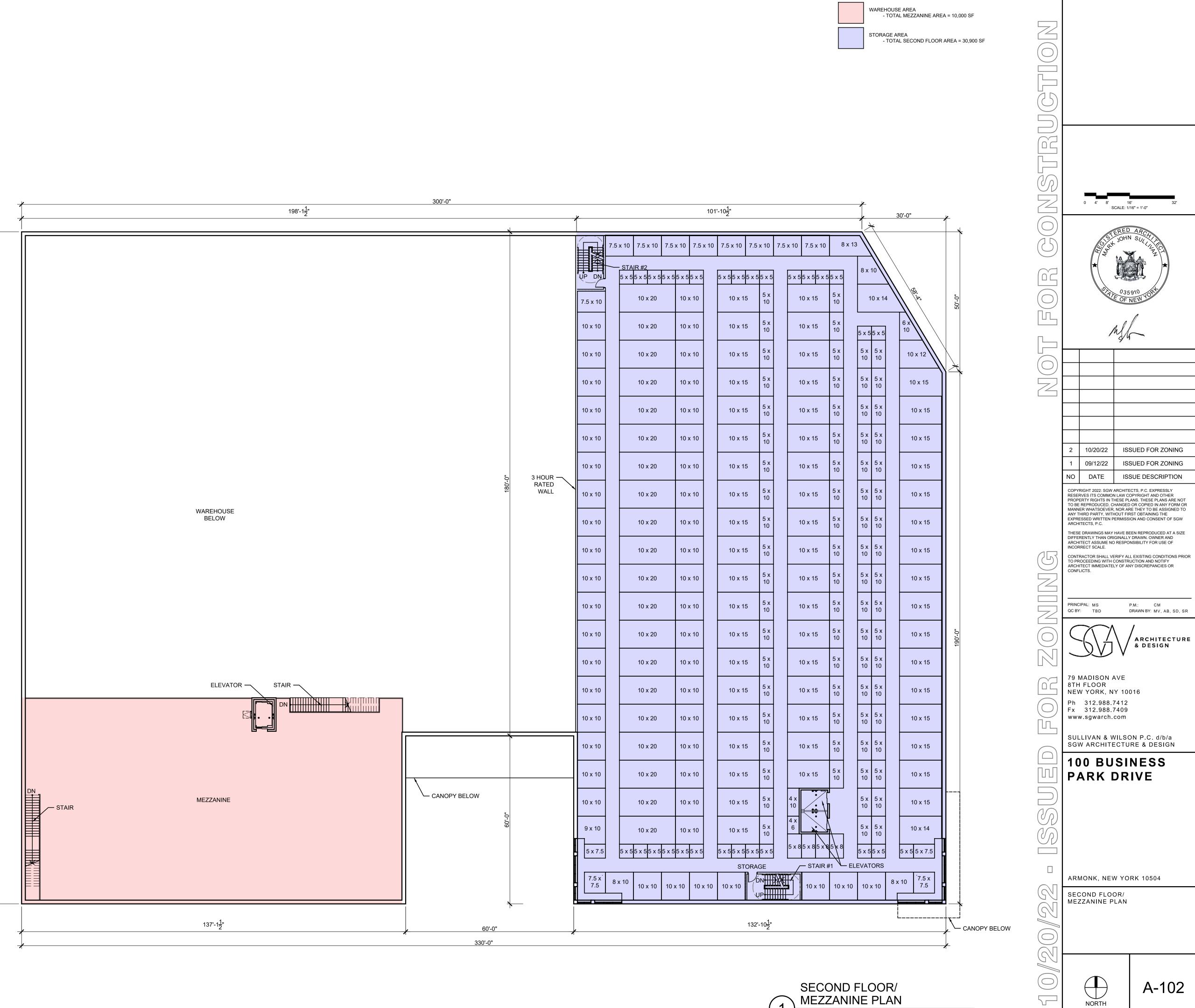


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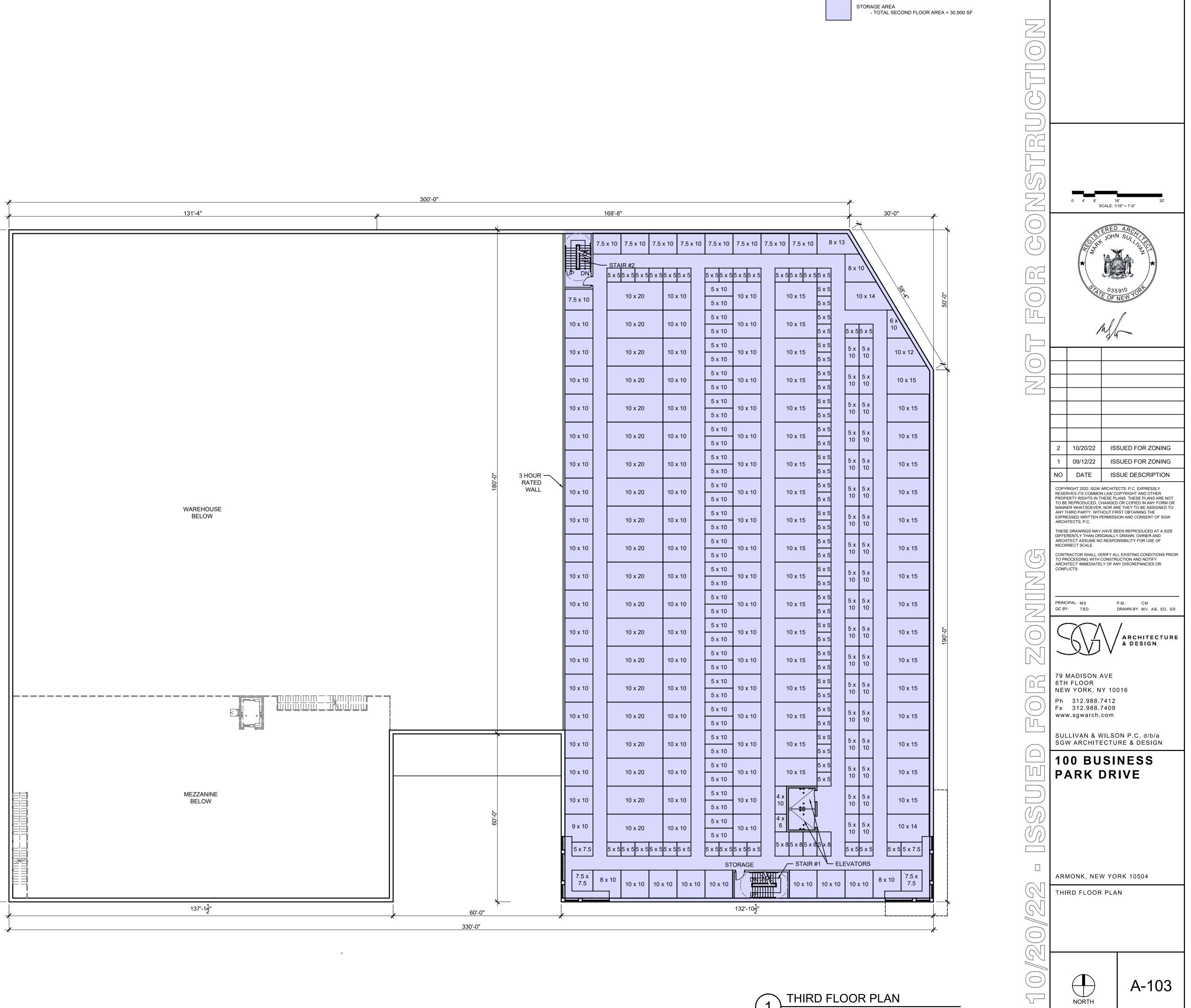
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