

#### DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

Planning Division

#### memorandum

**TO:** Mayor Laurel Lunt Prussing

**FROM:** Elizabeth H. Tyler, FAICP, Community Development Director

**DATE:** March 17, 2016

**SUBJECT:** ZBA-2016-MAJ-01: A request by Geoffrey Merritt for a Major Variance to install

a front canopy that will encroach seven feet into the required front yard at 303 W.

Griggs Street in the B-1, Neighborhood Business District.

### **Introduction & Background**

The petitioner, Geoff Merritt, has submitted a request to install a front canopy that will encroach seven feet into the required front yard at 303 W. Griggs Street in the B-1, Neighborhood Business District. The existing building at 303 W. Griggs Street encroaches four feet into the required 15-foot front setback. The addition of a proposed three-foot canopy would create a total encroachment of seven feet, or 47 percent, into the required yard. According to Section XI-3.C of the Urbana Zoning Ordinance, reducing a required yard by more than 25 percent requires a Major Variance.

In 2001, the applicant obtained a Conditional Use Permit to operate a mail order record store at 303 W. Griggs Street. The building is still used for that purpose, and in addition contains a small space for bicycle-related retail. In 2015, a Major Variance (see ZBA-2015-MAJ-07) was approved to reduce the number of required parking spaces at the property from seven to three, to be provided off-site. The variance was sought so the applicant could proceed with plans to renovate the building, including removing the existing garage and replacing the front façade. The original variance application did not include a request to allow a canopy to encroach into the required front yard, and the applicant therefore now requests a variance to allow the canopy to be built. The canopy is intended to make the building more attractive and will offer some protection from the elements for the building's main entrance.

At their March 16, 2016 meeting, the Urbana Zoning Board of Appeals heard the case. The ZBA voted six ayes and zero nays to forward the Major Variance request to the City Council with a recommendation for approval.

#### **Existing Land Uses**

The property is located on W. Griggs Street near Downtown Urbana, one block west of the new park at the Boneyard Creek. It is surrounded by residential uses of varying densities, as well as a small pottery

business immediately to the west. The following chart, along with the attached exhibits, offers a more detailed summary of the surrounding zoning and land uses.

Direction	Zoning	Existing Land Use	Future Land Use
Site	B-1, Neighborhood Business	Mail Order Business, Bike-Related Retail	Residential (Urban Pattern)
North	B-3, General Business	Apartments	Central Business
East	R-5, Medium High Density Multi- Family Residential	Single-Family Home	Residential
South	R-5, Medium High Density Multi- Family Residential	Apartments	Residential
West	B-1, Neighborhood Business	Pottery Business	Residential

#### **Comprehensive Plan**

In Urbana's 2005 Comprehensive Plan, Future Land Use Map #8 identifies the southern portion of the 300 block of W. Griggs Street as an area appropriate for an urban pattern of residential use. The northern portion (across the street from 303 W. Griggs Street) is identified as "Central Business." The Plan defines "Residential (Urban Pattern)," as areas containing

...primarily single-family residential housing but may also include a variety of compatible land uses such as duplexes, town homes, civic uses, institutional uses, and parks where zoning is appropriate. Residential areas can have different physical patterns of development.

#### The Plan defines "Central Business" in part as

Contain[ing] a dense, highly intensive land use pattern focusing on an urban style of development and architecture. Pedestrian, bicycle, and transit access are emphasized to ensure areas are walkable. Contain[ing] a mix of land uses ranging from commercial, high-density residential, office, and institutional.

The existing building was constructed as a commercial building and has been consistently used for commercial purposes. The current low-intensity commercial uses of the building are compatible with the Residential (Urban Pattern) land use designation. The property is zoned B-1, Neighborhood Business, and is a low-intensity use, with many customers arriving by foot or by bike, which is compatible with the adjacent "Central Business" designation identified in the Comprehensive Plan.

#### **Discussion**

The building at 303 W. Griggs Street has been used for neighborhood businesses for decades. It is currently used as a mail order record store, with a small area used for bicycle-related retail. Like many older properties, it was developed long before current zoning standards were in place. In this case, the applicant would like to make changes to the building to make it more structurally sound, economically viable, and aesthetically pleasing. The first step in the process for the applicant was to apply for a variance to reduce the parking requirements. The applicant was granted such a variance in case ZBA-2015-MAJ-07. The next step in the process was to finalize plans for the renovations. The new plans

include a three-foot canopy on the front of the building, which requires a major variance. The proposed canopy, which can be seen in the plans, elevations, and detail in Exhibit E, will enhance the appearance of the building and should not cause any negative effects in the neighborhood.

#### Variance Criteria

Section XI-3 of the Urbana Zoning Ordinance requires the Zoning Board of Appeals to make findings based on variance criteria. The Zoning Board of Appeals must first determine, based on the evidence presented, whether there are special circumstances or special practical difficulties with reference to the parcel concerned, in carrying out the strict application of the ordinance. This criteria is intended to serve as a minimum threshold that must be met before a variance request may be evaluated.

The following is a review of the criteria outlined in the ordinance, followed by staff analysis for this case:

1. The proposed variance will not serve as a special privilege because the variance requested is necessary due to special circumstances relating to the land or structure involved or to be used for occupancy thereof which is not generally applicable to other lands or structures in the same district.

The property was developed and the building was constructed long before current zoning regulations were put into place. The building already encroaches more than 25 percent into the required front yard, so any further protrusion would require a Major Variance. Aside from the adjacent property to the west, all of the other commercial buildings in the area are zoned B-4, which has no setback requirements. This property is unique in that it is zoned B-1 but shares many characteristics with buildings in B-4 zones. These are special circumstances of this particular site which make this variance necessary.

2. The variance requested was not the result of a situation or condition having been knowingly or deliberately created by the Petitioner.

The variance requested was not the result of a situation created by the petitioner as the site was developed many decades prior to the petitioner purchasing the property. The petitioner is trying to rehabilitate the existing building to make it more attractive and viable as a neighborhood business.

3. The variance will not alter the essential character of the neighborhood.

The building will be renovated and the façade improved, a canopy will be installed, and the existing curb cut will be removed, all of which will help to preserve and enhance the character of the neighborhood.

4. The variance will not cause a nuisance to the adjacent property.

The installation of a canopy will have no effect on adjacent properties and will cause no nuisance.

5. The variance represents generally the minimum deviation from requirements of the Zoning Ordinance necessary to accommodate the request.

The proposed canopy is modest in scale, at three feet. Any canopy would require a Major Variance, and a smaller canopy would not offer the benefit of protection from the weather. The variance therefore represents the minimum deviation necessary.

## **Summary of Findings**

1. 303 W. Griggs Street is zoned B-1, Neighborhood Business.

- 2. The property is currently used for bicycle-related retail and as a "Mail Order Business", a use that was granted via Conditional Use Permit in Case No. ZBA-01-C-01.
- 3. The property was granted a Major Variance in Case No. ZBA-2015-MAJ-07 to reduce the required parking from up to seven spaces to three spaces.
- 4. The petitioner plans to renovate the existing building, rebuild the front façade, and install a three-foot canopy.
- 5. The petitioner has applied for a Major Variance to install a front canopy that will encroach seven feet into the required 15-foot front setback.
- 6. The variance request will not serve as a special privilege to the property owner.
- 7. The variance request was not the result of a situation knowingly created by the petitioner.
- 8. The variance request will not alter the essential character of the neighborhood, and will help to preserve and enhance the neighborhood's character.
- 9. The variance request will not cause a nuisance to adjacent property owners.
- 10. The variance request represents a reasonable deviation from the requirements of the Zoning Ordinance.
- 11. The proposal is generally consistent with the 2005 Urbana Comprehensive Plan.

## **Options**

The Urbana City Council has the following options in Case No. ZBA-2016-MAJ-01:

- 1. Approve the variances based on the findings outlined in this memo; or
- 2. Approve the variances along with certain terms and conditions. If conditions or findings differ from those recommended in the attached draft ordinance, these should be articulated accordingly; or
- 3. Deny the variance. If the City Council elects to do so, the Council should articulate findings supporting its denial.

#### Recommendation

At their March 16, 2016, meeting, the Zoning Board of Appeals voted six ayes and zero nays to recommend **APPROVAL** for the variance with the following condition:

1. The canopy shall be built in general conformance with the plans provided by the applicant in Exhibit E.

Staff concurs with the ZBA recommendation.

Prepared by:

Kevin Garcia, AICP

Planner II

Attachments: Draft Ordinance

Draft ZBA Meeting Minutes 3/16/2015

Exhibit A: Location and Existing Land Use Map

Exhibit B: Zoning Map

Exhibit C: Future Land Use Map

Exhibit D: Application

Exhibit E: Site Plan, Elevation, and Details

cc: Geoff Merritt

#### **ORDINANCE NO.** 2016-03-021\_\_\_\_\_

#### AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A MAJOR VARIANCE

(To allow a front canopy that will encroach seven feet into the required front yard in the City's B-1, Neighborhood Business District, at 303 West Griggs Street / ZBA Case No. 2016-MAJ-01)

WHEREAS, the Urbana Zoning Ordinance provides for a major variance procedure to permit the Zoning Board of Appeals and the Corporate Authorities to consider applications for major variances where there are special circumstances or conditions with a parcel of land or a structure; and

WHEREAS, Geoffrey Merritt has submitted a petition for a major variance to allow a front canopy that will encroach seven feet into the required front yard in the City's B-1, Neighborhood Business District; and

WHEREAS, said petition was presented to the Urbana Zoning Board of Appeals in ZBA Case No. 2016-MAJ-01; and

WHEREAS, after due publication in accordance with Section XI-10 of the Urbana Zoning Ordinance and with Chapter 65, Section 5/11-13-14 of the Illinois Compiled Statutes (65 ILCS 5/11-13-14), the Urbana Zoning Board of Appeals held a public hearing on the proposed major variance on March 16, 2016 and voted six ayes and zero nays to recommend that the Corporate Authorities approve the requested variance; and

WHEREAS, after due and proper consideration, the Corporate

Authorities of the City of Urbana have determined that the major variance referenced herein conforms with the major variance procedures in accordance with Article XI, Section XI-4.B of the Urbana Zoning Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the Corporate Authorities have considered the variance criteria established in the Urbana Zoning Ordinance and have determined the following findings:

- 1. Geoffrey Merritt is applying for a variance to allow a front canopy that will encroach seven feet into the required front yard at 303 West Griggs Street.
- 2. A Conditional Use Permit was issued for a "Mail Order Business" in Case No. ZBA-01-C-01. The building is also used for bicycle-related sales.
- 3. The property was granted a Major Variance in Case No. ZBA-2015-MAJ-07 to reduce the required parking from up to seven spaces to three spaces.
- 4. The petitioner plans to renovate the existing building, rebuild the front façade, and install a three-foot canopy.
- 5. The petitioner has applied for a Major Variance to install a front canopy that will encroach seven feet into the required 15-foot front setback.
- 6. The variance request will not serve as a special privilege to the property owner.
- 7. The variance request was not the result of a situation knowingly created by the petitioner.
- 8. The variance request will not alter the essential character of the neighborhood, and may help to preserve and enhance the neighborhood's character.

- 9. The variance request will not cause a nuisance to adjacent property owners.
- 10. The variance request represents a reasonable deviation from the requirements of the Zoning Ordinance.
- 11. The proposal is generally consistent with the 2005 Urbana Comprehensive Plan.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF URBANA, ILLINOIS, as follows:

Section 1. In ZBA Case No. 2016-MAJ-01, the major variance requested by Geoffrey Merritt is hereby approved in the manner proposed in the application and subject to the following conditions:

 The canopy shall be built in general conformance with the plans provided by the applicant in Exhibit E.

The major variance described above shall only apply to the property located at 303 West Griggs Street, Urbana, Illinois, more particularly described as follows:

#### LEGAL DESCRIPTION:

Parts of Lots 11 (as Plat Record recorded in Deed Record 19 at Page 285) and 12 (as Plat Record recorded in Deed Record 19 at Page 285) in S.T. Busey's Addition to Urbana, in Champaign County, Illinois. Parcel Identification Number: 91-21-08-383-004

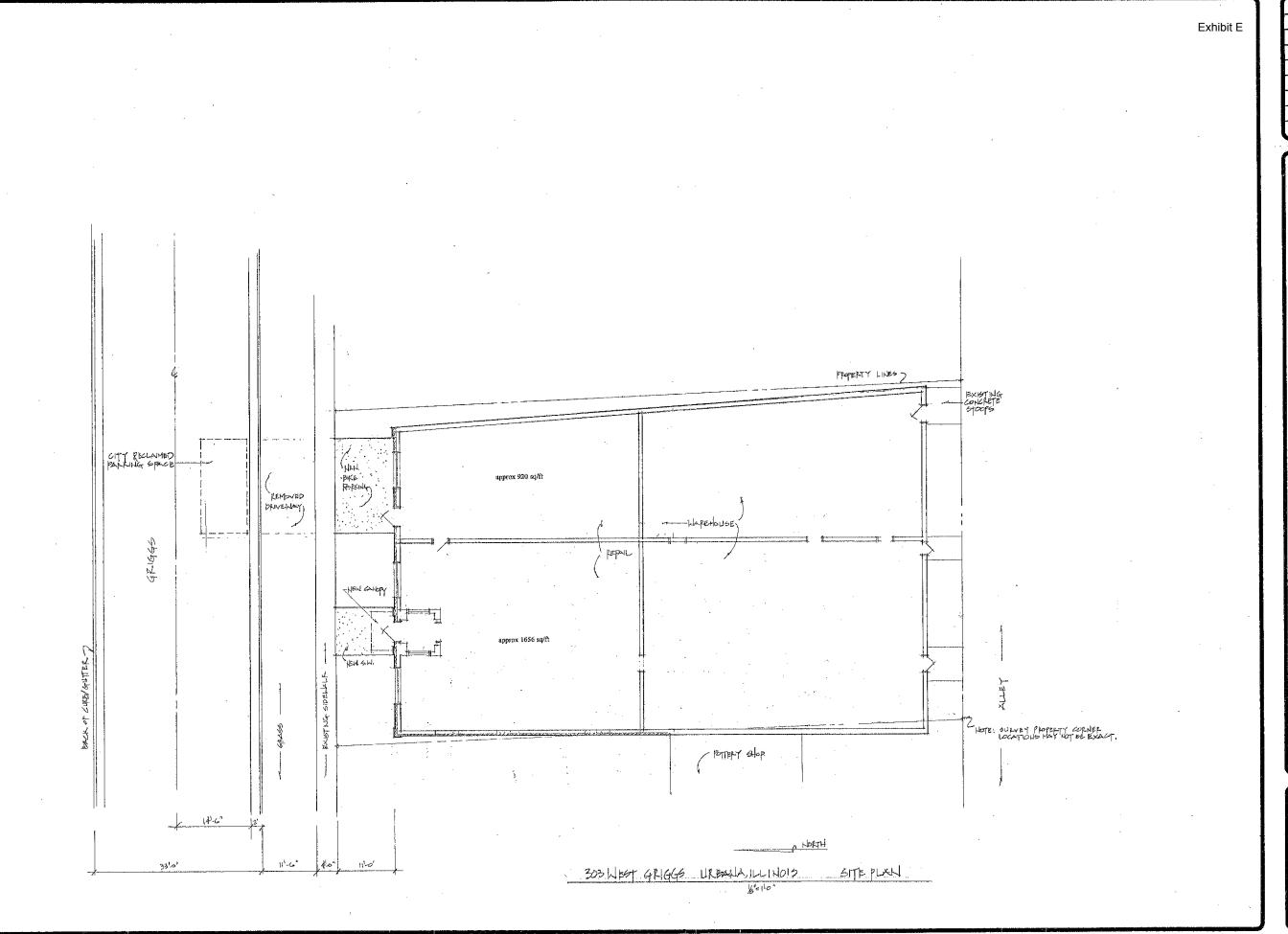
Section 2. The Urbana City Clerk is directed to publish this Ordinance in pamphlet form by authority of the corporate authorities. This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from

and after its passage and publication in accordance with the terms of Chapter 65, Section 1-2-4 of the Illinois Compiled Statutes (65 ILCS 5/1-2-4).

This Ordinance is hereby passed by the affirmative vote, the
"ayes" and "nays" being called of a majority of the members of the
City Council of the City of Urbana, Illinois, at a regular meeting of
said Council on the day of, 2016
PASSED by the City Council on thisday of, 2016.
AYES:
NAYS:
ABSTAINS:
Phyllis D. Clark, City
APPROVED BY THE MAYOR this day of, 2016
Laurel Lunt Prussing, Mayor

#### CERTIFICATE OF PUBLICATION IN PAMPHLET FORM

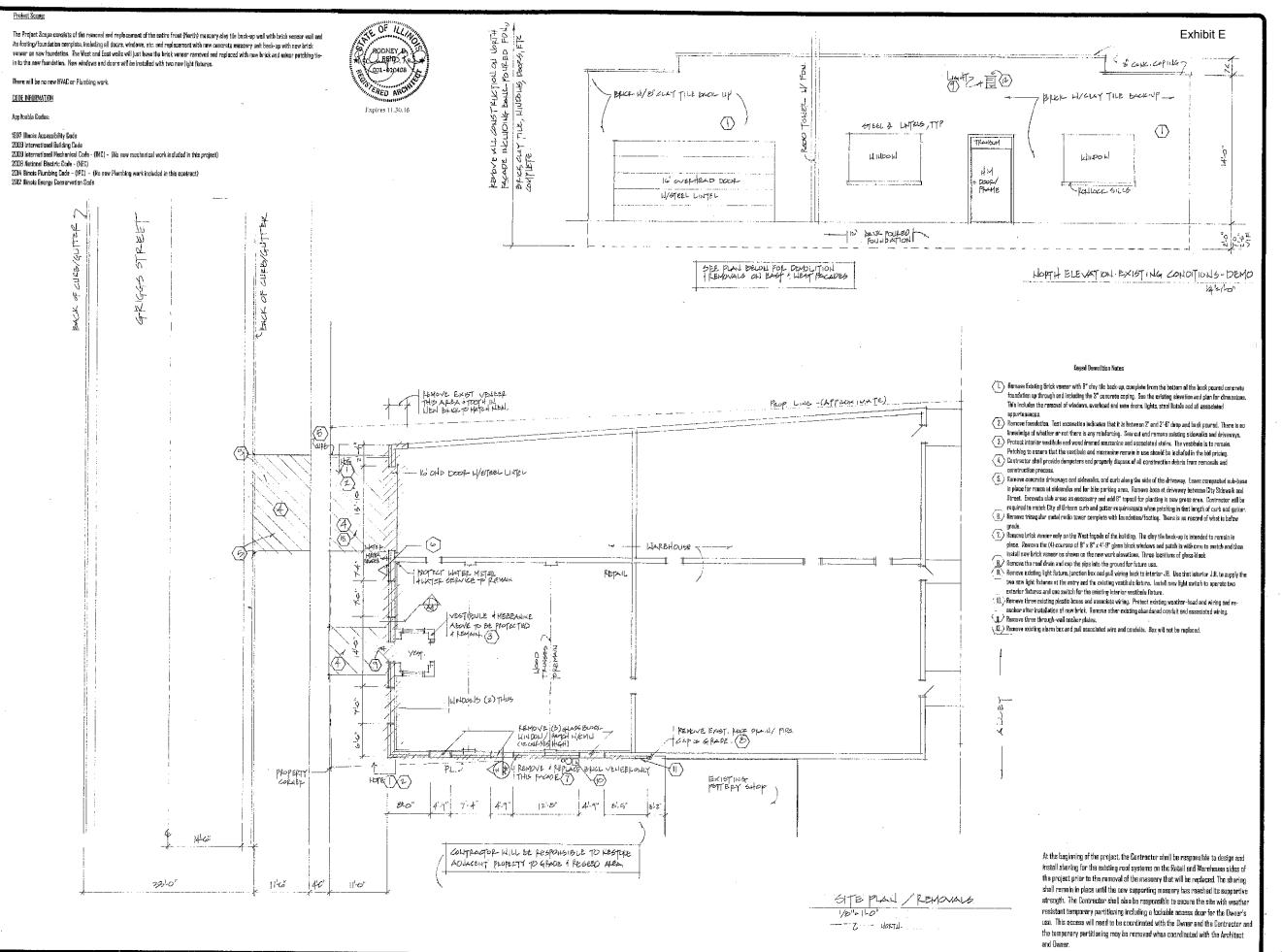
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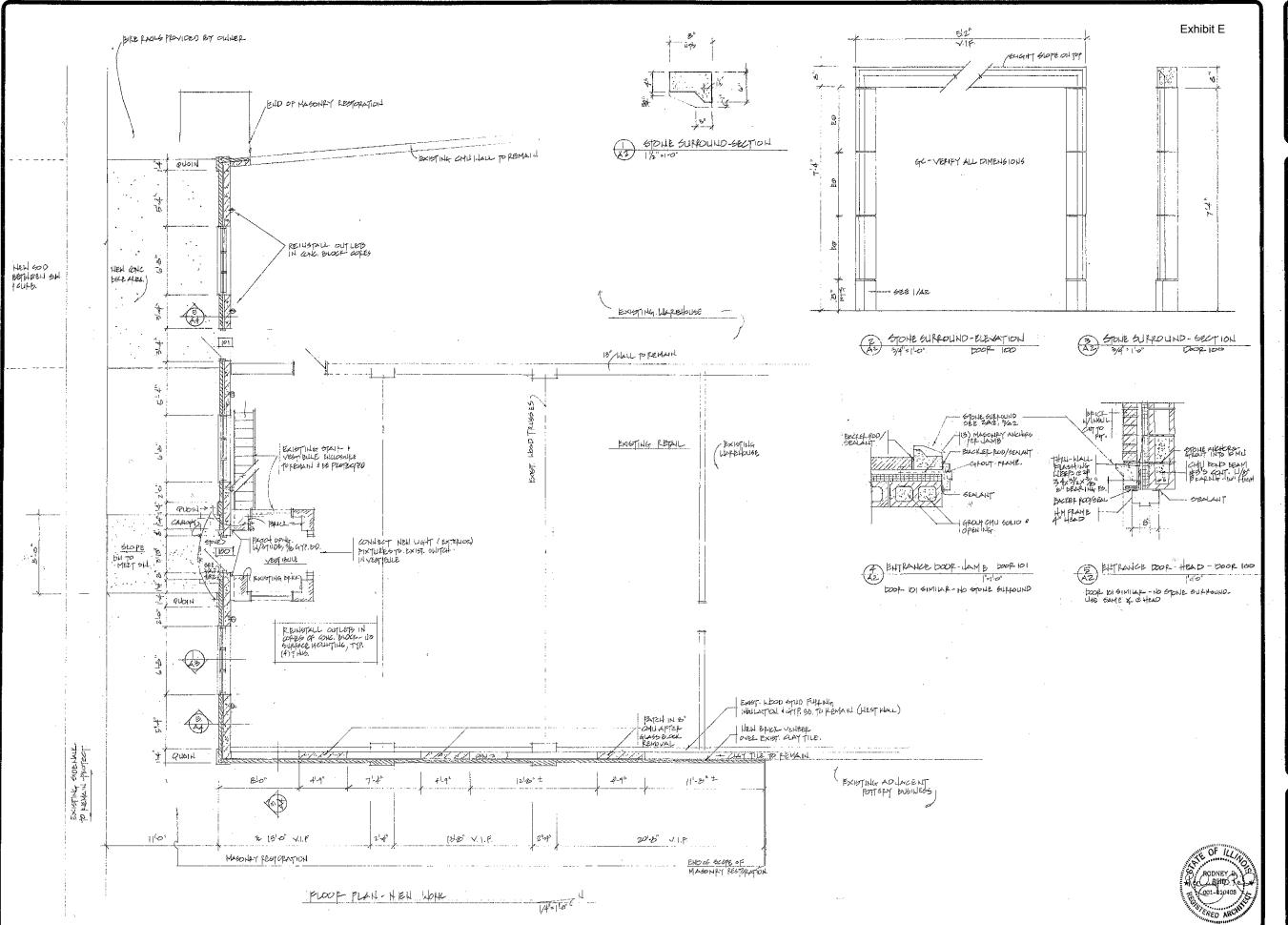
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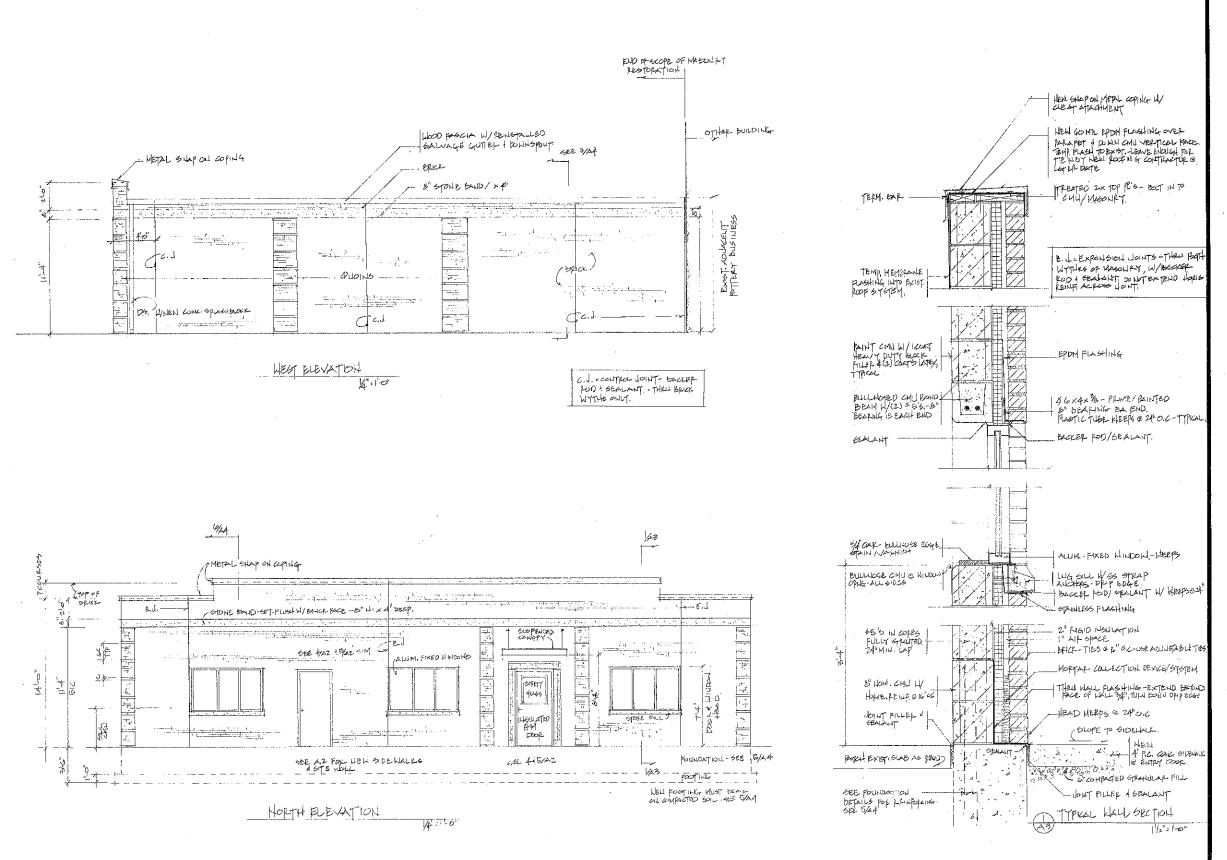
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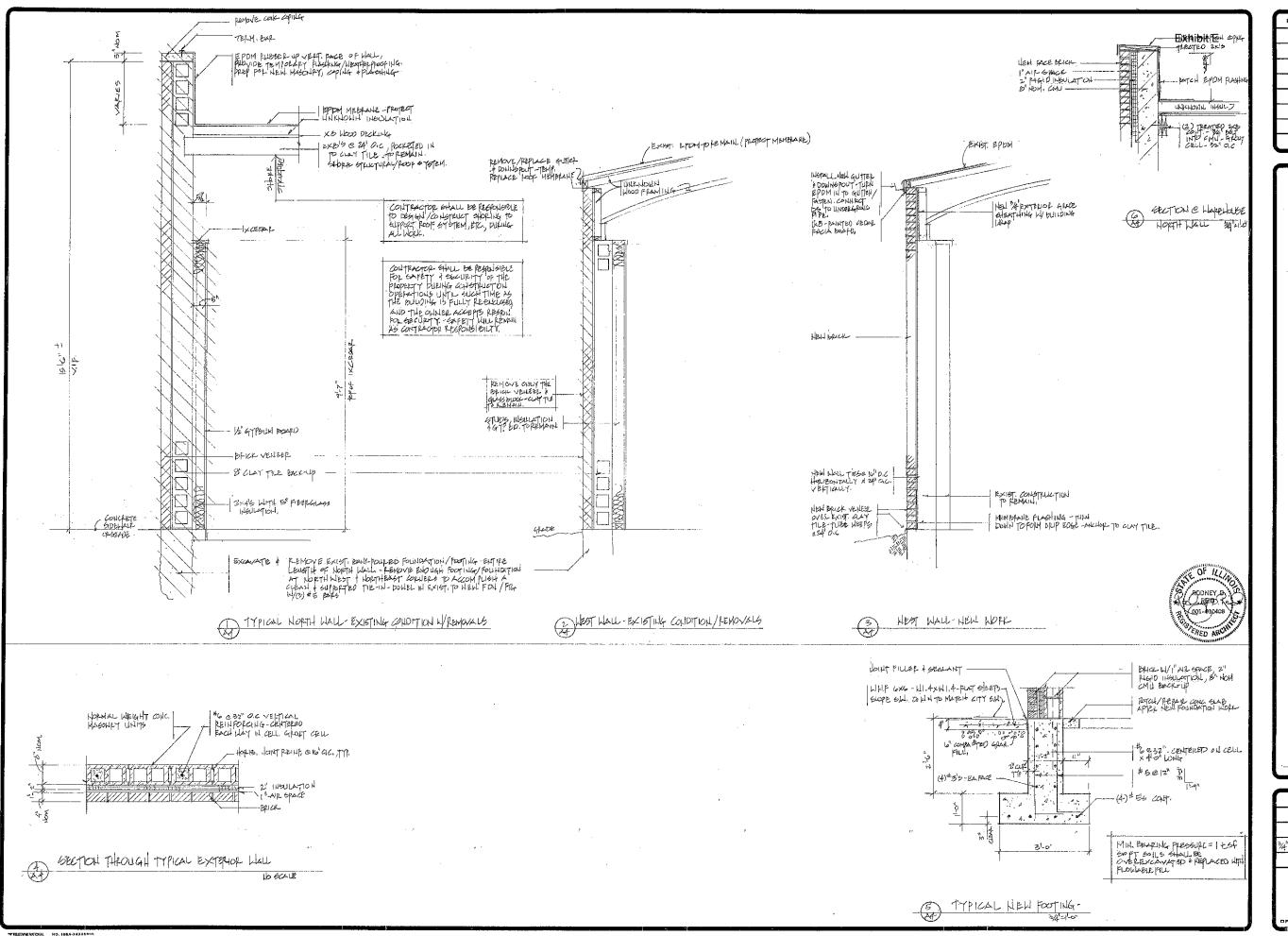
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#### Specification Items: All meterials are to be installed in accordance with the Manufacturer's Installation recommendations unless otherwise noted. Any substitutions shall be applied for and approved prior to the receipt of bids. 2. Cost stone shall meet the requirements of ASTM Cl384 for the Cost Stone lostitute. All stone enchars shall be 304 stalnless steel. Flashing of stone shall be Totalflash system or approved system. Color shall be from Manufacturer's stendard colors in the beff range. Owner and Architect to select. Joints in stone and stene to brick shall be 3/8" with backer rod and sealant. Flash at all stone banding, stills and surround. Install plastic tube weeps at 24" a.c. typical. 3. The Brick used will be selected by the Architect and Owner et a leter date. For bidding purposes, the contractor shell figore en ellowance of \$800 per thousand brick. 4. Cavity well insulation to be Styrofoam Cavity Mate board or Foamular 250 by U.C. Industries. 5. Gypsum Board Brywall; 5/8" fire code impact resistant Sypsum Board, to patch at the entry and ½" at other walls as required. Exterior Seelents and Interior Caulling: Tremos. Sannaborn NP-I exterior grade as basis of dasign 7. Paint; For CMU, use Heavy Body block filler and two osets Letex Paint Confirm all colors with Architect. Use Sharvin Williams/MAB or Benjamin Moore as acceptable products as acceptable products. Provide samples for Architect's review prior to start of finishing.

8. Stein and varnish; new 5/4" sek sills, color to be selected by Architect with clear setin finish. Use Sherwin Williams/MAB or Beajamin Moore

New exterior doors shall be hollow metal insulated Extra Heavy Duty, 1 %" thick; composite construction; foam insulating core bonded to both faces: 16 gauge steel face sheets: .60 oz./sf palvanized coeting. HM frames to be 14 gauge steel; 1.25 oz./sf galvanized coeting. Provide three anchors per jamb for installation into masonry walls.

10. Exterior Doors; by Steelcraft, Curries

3'-6" x 7'6" door x 1 %", w/safety glass lite as shown (Needs Exterior Grade Pelot Finish) 2 pair Hinges Hager Stainless Steel 88099 5 x 5 MRP US320. Stainless Steel with SS pin 1 Claser 4040XP-S-CUSH 689 - Rv FCN Threshold - \$408A x 3'-6" by Reass or sould I Sweep 323A - x 3'-6"by Reese or Equal l ea. Sets Weather-strip by Reese = 807A (3670) - Verify # with Manufacturer

Floor step for exterior use fer each duor shell be GJ FB 38 or Ives. Sitencers for each door Glazino stors for tale door

Egress always available. I nim exit device with lever outside = 89L x 898L-RY x 03 x 299 x 3'-8" by Yen Duprin, including one Rim cylinder 20-D22,

3'-9" x 7'0" door x f %", (Needs Exterior Grada Paint Finish) Z pair Hinges Hager Staloless Steef 88099 5 x 5 NRP US320. Stainless Steel with SS pin l Closer 4040XP-S-CUSH 688 - By LCN | Threshold - \$408A x 3'-D" by Reese or equal 1 Sweep 323A - x 3'-0"by Reese or Equal 1 ea. Sats Waather-strip by Rease = 807A (3070) - Verify # with Manufacturer ! Floor stop for exterior use for each door shall be GJ FB 36 or (ves. Silencers for each door Glazing stops for this door Egress always available.

I rim exit device with lever autoide = 99L x 996L-RV x 03 x 299 x 3°0" by Van Duprin Including one Rim cylinder 20-022,

- II. For all new cylinders, key them separately and provide four keys for each cylinder and four master keys that open both cylinders.
- 12. Exterior fescie board on West site at roof edge to be 1 x 8 Cedar, sealed end painted, color by Architect
- 13. Now Windows shall be Knowner 45007 with insulated safety glazing; dark brenze color framing or approved equal manufacturer and framing
- 14. All concrete for factings and foundations shall be 4000 psl
- 15. All new masonry auchors are to be Steinless steel.
- 16. Use "Cavideer" morter net or approved equal for masonry cavity
- 17. Use Metal Era Perme-Tite snap on aluminum coping system or approved equal 20 year warranty, overlap ands 6"-8"; continuous cleat system; color selected from Manufacturer's standard color range
- is. Provide new continuous gutter with downspouts to match existing in size. Color to be selected by Architect and Owner
- 19. The new curb and gutter section that is to be replaced in accordance with Urbana Codes and dasign regulations/requirements. Curb and gutter replacement must follow existing flow line of the street and match in size and configuration.
- 20. The oluminum suspended canopy at the front entrance is noted as 3'-0" x 6'-0" wide. Acceptable manufacturers are Perfection Architectural Systems, Inc of Orlando, FL and Mapes Architectural Compies of Lincoln, NE. GC to provide shop drawings prepared by the manufacturer to indicate all required materials and methods of connectivity to the Building for a complete lastallation. Color to be annotized bronze. Festeners shell be steinless steel.

Ganeral Notes:

Exhibit E

- 1. All bidders must visit the site to become familiar with the conditions and site constraints prior to bidding. Quastions or discrepancies in the Contract Documents will be brought to the attention of the Architect and shall be revised by Addandum.
- 2. The Building is load bearing masonry exterior load with wood truss and 2 x wood roof framing system and EPDM roof. It is intended that the roofing and now insulation be replaced under enother project by the Owner.
- 3. Contractor shall provide insurance cartificates and shall must the requirements of the City of Urbana to perform business in the City.
- 4. Contractor shall apply for and obtain all necessary permits from the City of Erbana to perform the work indicated in these documents.
- 5. Contractor shall be responsible for safaty and security of the jobsite and stored materials until such time as the security of the building can be turned over to the Owner. Safety of the construction site and building area and security of the building materials shall remain the responsibility of the contractor through the end of final completion.
- 6. Contractor is not required to provide a bid band. All contractors performing work on this project must be properly ligensed with the City of Urbans and State of Illinois.
- 7. There will be no new mechanical/HVAC or plumbing work in fals project.
- 8. Contractor is responsible for the design and construction of the temporary shoring of the building as required to remove and replace the masonry work noted on the documents.
- 9. All existing exits and entrances shall be maintained in use. Access to the building through the front (North) entrance shall be maintained in during construction by maens of access through the temporary anclosure.

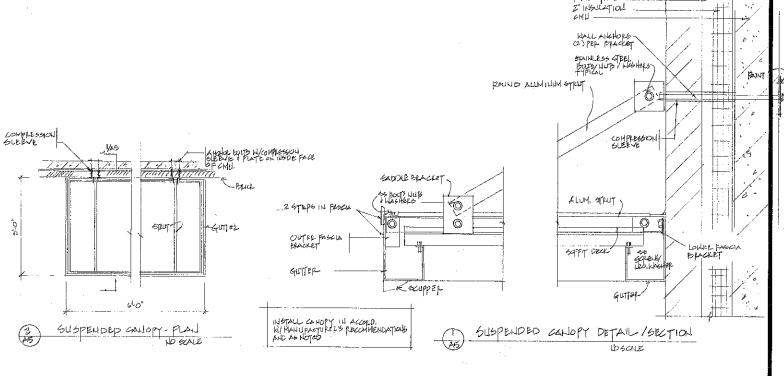
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10. Contractor shall provide \$500 ellowence for light fixtures to be selected by Owner/Architect.



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#### MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING

#### URBANA ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

DATE: March 16, 2016 DRAFT

TIME: 7:30 p.m.

PLACE: City Council Chambers, 400 South Vine Street, Urbana, IL 61801

MEMBERS PRESENT Matt Cho, Ashlee McLaughlin, Nancy Uchtmann, Charles

Warmbrunn, Jonah Weisskopf, Harvey Welch

MEMBERS EXCUSED Joanne Chester

STAFF PRESENT Lorrie Pearson, Planning Manager; Kevin Garcia, Planner II; Teri

Andel, Administrative Assistant II

OTHERS PRESENT Maritza Chavez, Nola Flynn, Alyssa Jaje, Kendra Kuenum,

Geoffrey Merritt

#### **NEW PUBLIC HEARINGS**

ZBA-2016-MAJ-01 – A request by Geoffrey Merritt for a Major Variance to install a front canopy that will encroach seven feet into the required front yard at 303 West Griggs Street in the B-1, Neighborhood Business Zoning District.

Chair Welch opened the public hearing for this case.

Kevin Garcia, Planner II, presented this case to the Zoning Board of Appeals. He began by stating the purpose for the proposed variance. He gave a brief background on the history of the proposed site and reviewed the variance criteria from Section XI-3 of the Urbana Zoning Ordinance. He read the options of the Zoning Board of Appeals and presented City staff's recommendation for approval with one condition.

Chair Welch opened the hearing up for questions for City staff.

Lorrie Pearson, Planning Manager, stated that City staff would like to add "general" to the condition so that it reads as such, "The canopy shall be built in general conformance with the plans provided by the applicant in Exhibit E." This allows for minor changes to meet the Building Code, for example.

With there being no questions for City staff, Chair Welch opened the hearing for public input. He invited the applicant to approach to speak.

Geoffrey Merritt approached the Zoning Board of Appeals. He stated that he did not have anything further to add; however, he would answer any questions from the Board members.

Ms. Uchtmann asked how long a canopy would stay in good condition. Mr. Merritt replied that the proposed canopy would be made out of steel instead of canvas and would be built into the building. He did not know how long steel canopies last but anticipated it would last a long time.

With there being no further questions, Chair Welch asked if anyone else in the audience wished to speak. With no further public input, Chair Welch closed this portion of the hearing. He, then, opened the hearing for Zoning Board of Appeals discussion and/or motion(s).

Mr. Warmbrunn moved that the Zoning Board of Appeals forward Case No. ZBA-2016-MAJ-01 to the City Council with a recommendation for approval with the condition as amended during this meeting by City staff. Ms. Uchtmann seconded the motion. Roll call on the motion was as follows:

Mr. Cho	-	Yes	Ms. McLaughlin	-	Yes
Ms. Uchtmann	-	Yes	Mr. Warmbrunn	-	Yes
Mr. Weisskopf	-	Yes	Mr. Welch	-	Yes

The motion passed by unanimous vote. Mr. Garcia noted that the case would be forwarded to the Urbana City Council on March 21, 2016.

## **Exhibit A: Location & Existing Land Use Map**



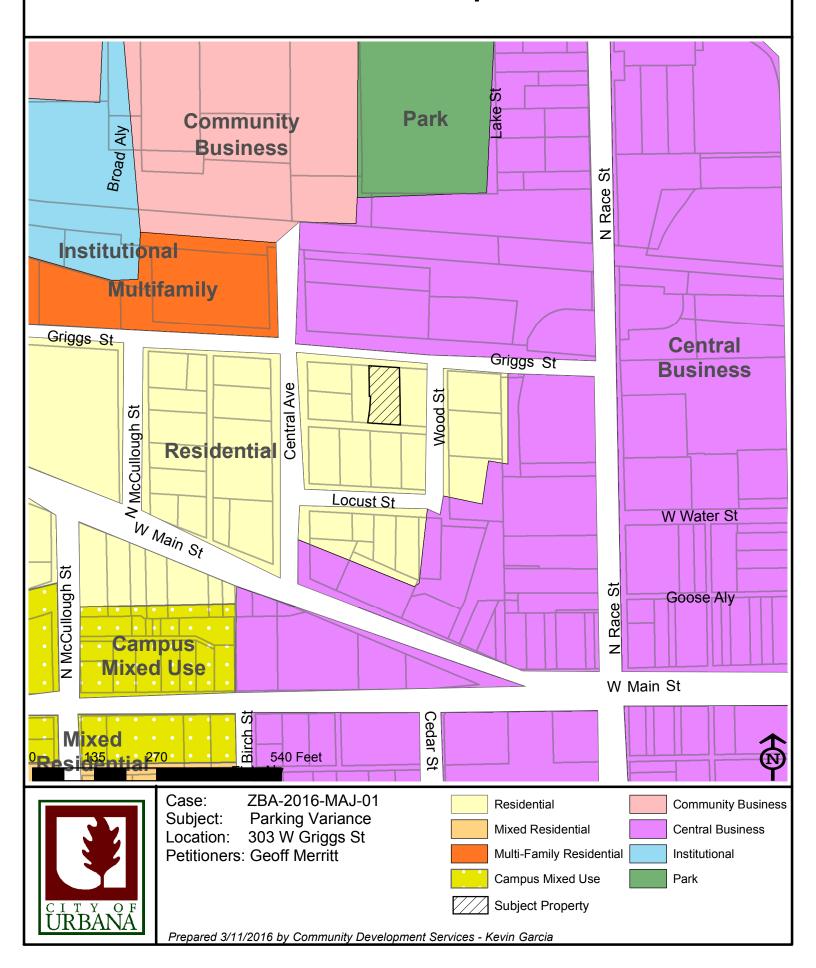


Case: ZBA-2016-MAJ-01 Subject: Parking Variance Location: 303 W Griggs St Petitioners: Geoff Merritt

Subject Property

## **Exhibit B: Zoning Map** S N Race Griggs St Griggs St Central Ave Wood St N McCullough St Locust St W Water St W Main St Race St Goose Aly N McCullough St W Main St Springfield Ave 550 Feet 137.5 ZBA-2016-MAJ-01 Case: MIC R5 B1 **B4** Subject: Parking Variance Location: 303 W Griggs St **CRE** R2 Petitioners: Geoff Merritt R4 **B3** IN-1 Subject Property Prepared 3/11/2016 by Community Development Services - Kevin Garcia

# **Exhibit C: Future Land Use Map**





# **Application for Variance**

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## APPLICATION FEE - \$175.00 (Major) and \$150.00 (Minor)

The Applicants are responsible for paying the cost of legal publication fees as well. The fees usually run from \$75.00 to \$125.00. The applicant is billed separately by the News-Gazette.

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Date Request Filed <u>C2-04-2016</u>	ZBA Case No. <u>ZBA - 2016 - MAJ - 0</u> 1
	Date
PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE TH	E FOLLOWING INFORMATION
A VARIATION is requested in conformity with	the powers vested in the Zoning Board of
Appeals to permit (Insert Use/Construction Pro	pposed and the Type and Extent of Variation
Requested) a canopy	on the property described below,
and in conformity with the plans described on the	
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1. APPLICANT CONTACT INFORMATIO	ON .
Name of Applicant(s): Geoffrey Merritt	Phone: 217-621-1289
Address (street/city/state/zip code): 303 W Grig	ggs Street, Urbana, IL 61801
Email Address: geoff@parasol.com	
Property interest of Applicant(s) (Owner, Control	act Buyer, etc.): co-owner
2. OWNER INFORMATION	
Name of Owner(s): Geoffrey / Christopher Mo	erritt Phone: 217-621-1289
Address (street/city/state/zip code): 905 S Lynn	Street, Urbana, IL 61801
Email Address: geoff@parasol.com	
Is this property owned by a Land Trust?  If yes, please attach a list of all individuals how	
3. PROPERTY INFORMATION	
Location of Subject Site: 303 W Griggs Street,	Urbana, IL 61801
PIN # of Location: 91 21 08 383 004	
Lot Size: 21.760 SF	

	Current Land Use (vacant, residence, grocery, factory, et	c: retail/warehouse
	Proposed Land Use: retail/warehouse	
	Legal Description: Parts of Lots 11 (as Plat Record rec	corded in Deed Record 19 at Page 285)
	and 12 (as Plat Record recorded in Deed Record 19 at Page	ge 285) in S.T. Busey's Addition to
4.	CONSULTANT INFORMATION	
	Name of Architect(s): Rodney D. Reid AIA	Phone: 217-390-7403
	Address (street/city/state/zip code): 1904 Byrnebruk Driv	re, Champaign, Illinois 61822
	Email Address: rod.reid@comcast.net	
	Name of Engineers(s):	Phone:
	Address (street/city/state/zip code):	
	Email Address:	
	Name of Surveyor(s):	Phone:
	Address (street/city/state/zip code):	
	Email Address:	
	Name of Professional Site Planner(s):	Phone:
	Address (street/city/state/zip code):	
	Email Address:	
	Name of Attorney(s): Webber & Thies	Phone: 217-367-1126
	Address (street/city/state/zip code): 202 Lincoln Square,	Urbana, IL 61801
	Email Address:	
5.	REASONS FOR VARIATION	
	Identify and explain any special circumstances or strict application of the Zoning Ordinance with respe	· · ·
	We intend to renovate and restore the facade of the	building in order to preserve it's
	character and place in the neighborhood as well as be	eing able to continue and increase it's
	use. We hope to put a small canopy over the main fro	ont entrance.

explain now the variance is necessary due to special conditions relating to the land of structure involved which are not generally applicable to other property in the same district.
With the development just east of us (208 W Griggs) and the various projects on Race
Street (between University and Water), the nature of the neighborhood (and Griggs Street in
particular) is changing considerably - more foot-traffic and businesses. There are no other B1
businesses in this area but the building 100 feet to the North-East (204 E Griggs St) is in the
B4 district with more relaxed requirements.
Explain how the variance is <u>not</u> the result of a situation or condition that was knowingly or deliberately created by you (the Petitioner).
The building has had its current footprint for considerably longer than we've owned it but it
had never been used for retail until recently - which we got a special variance for. With the
current remodeling plans we are hoping for another variance.
Explain why the variance will <u>not</u> alter the essential character of the neighborhood.
The apartments and the new African specialty grocery store across the street have canopys
each of which makes their respective buildings more attractive in the neighborhood.
Overall, the neighborhood will look considerably better once the restoration of our building
is done – and the canopy is an integral part of that.
Explain why the variance will <u>not</u> cause a nuisance to adjacent property.
The nature of our business will not change very much – we will continue being a
neighborhood business with primarily foot and bike traffic. The addition of a canopy will not
change the neighborhood at all.
Does the variance represent the minimum deviation necessary from the requirements of the Zoning Ordinance? Explain.
This request represents the minimum deviation for the requirements of the zoning
ordinance.

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NOTE: If additional space is needed to accurately answer any question, please attach extra pages to the application.

By submitting this application, you are granting permission for City staff to post on the property a temporary yard sign announcing the public hearing to be held for your request.

#### CERTIFICATION BY THE APPLICANT

I certify all the information contained in this application form or any attachment(s), document(s) or plan(s) submitted herewith are true to the best of my knowledge and belief, and that I am either the property owner or authorized to make this application on the owner's behalf.

Applicant's Signature

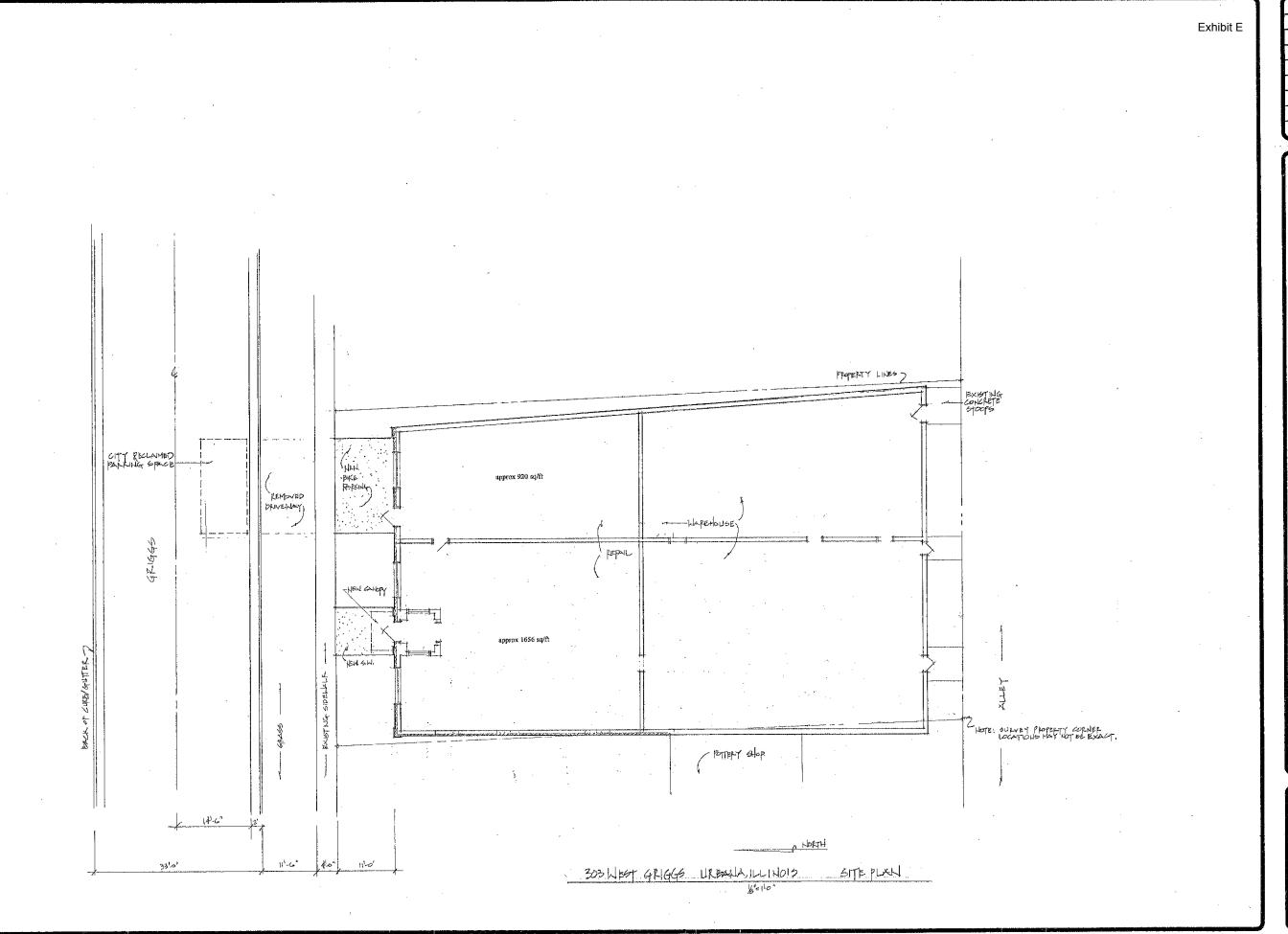
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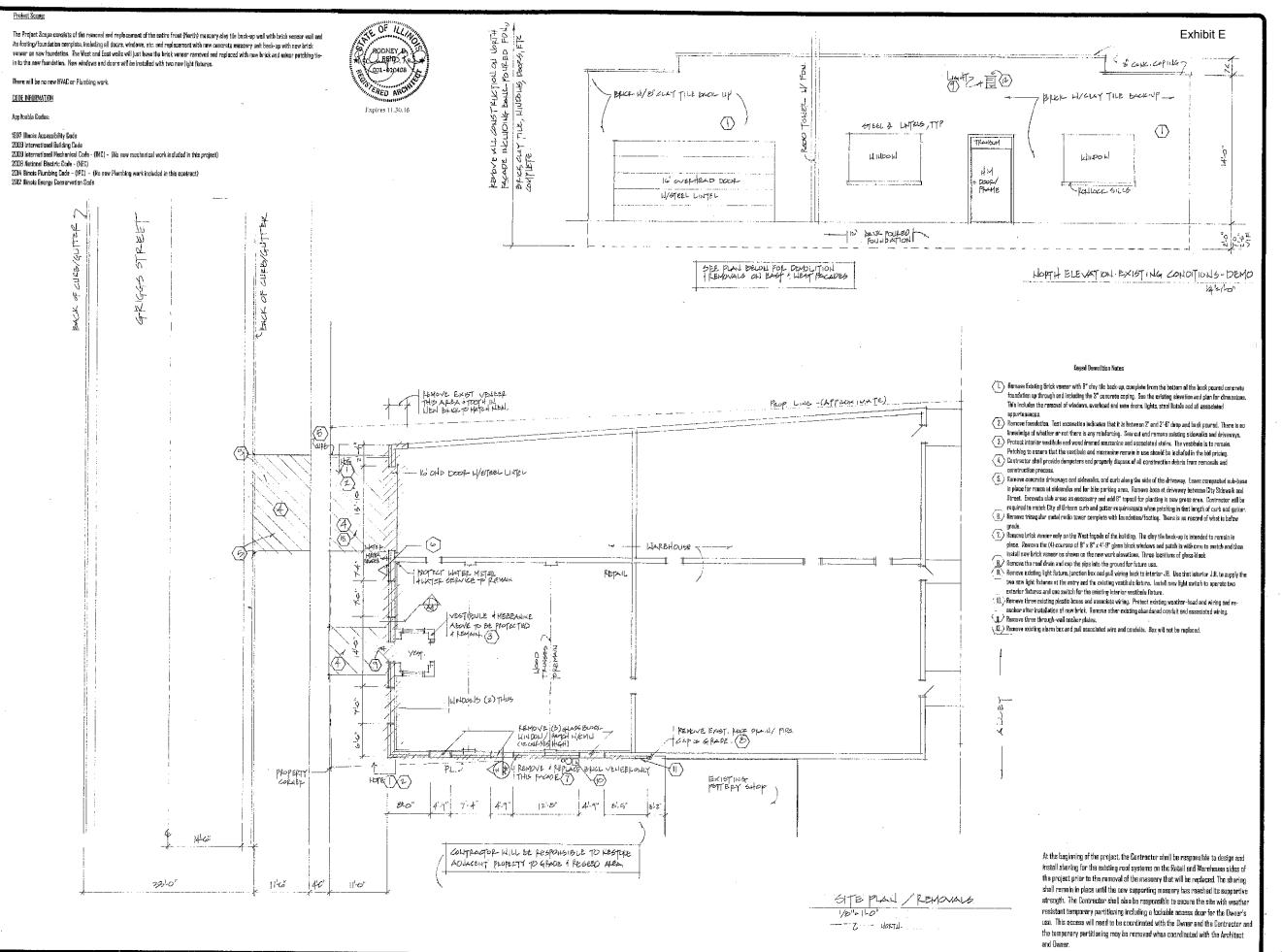
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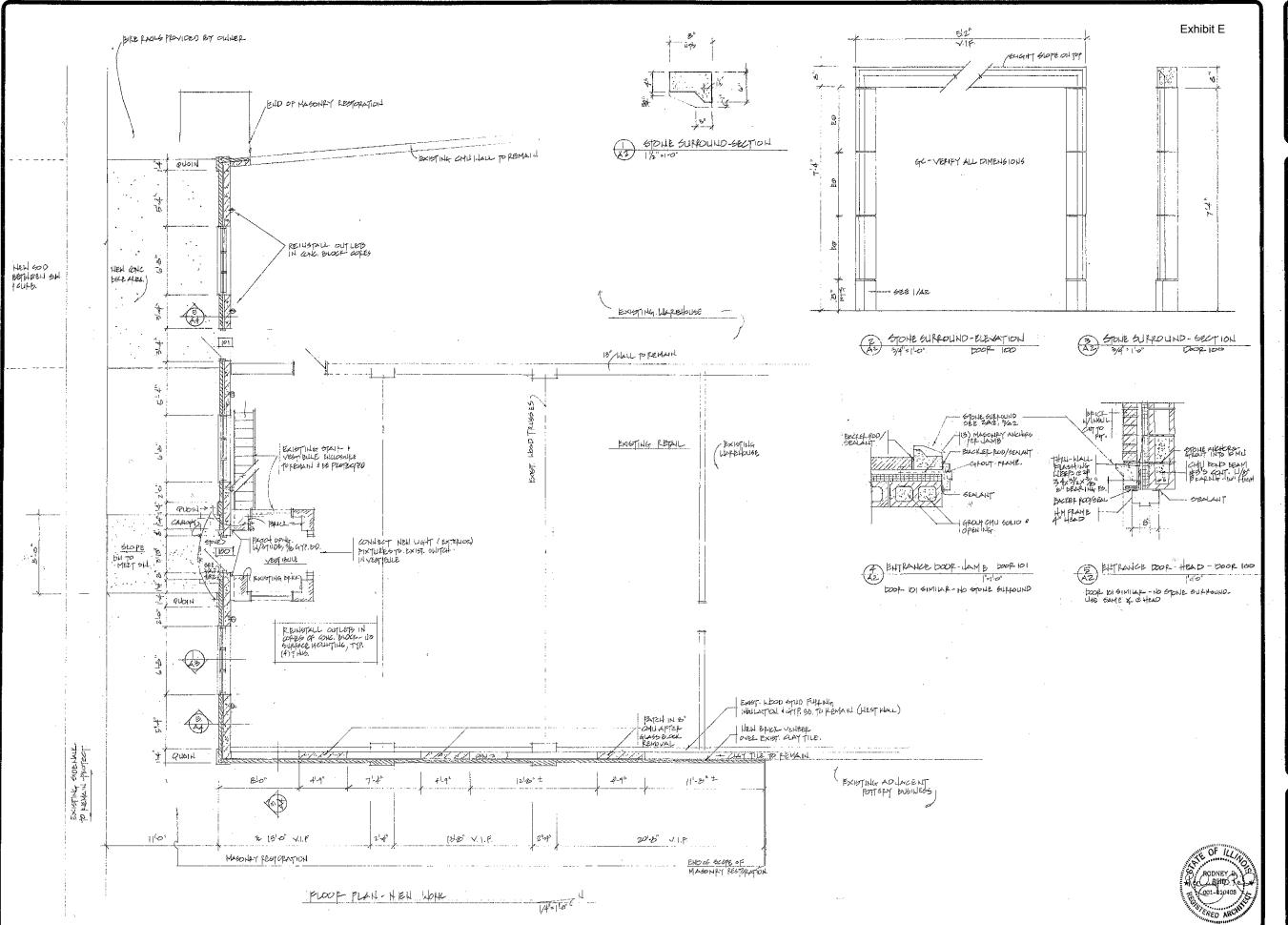
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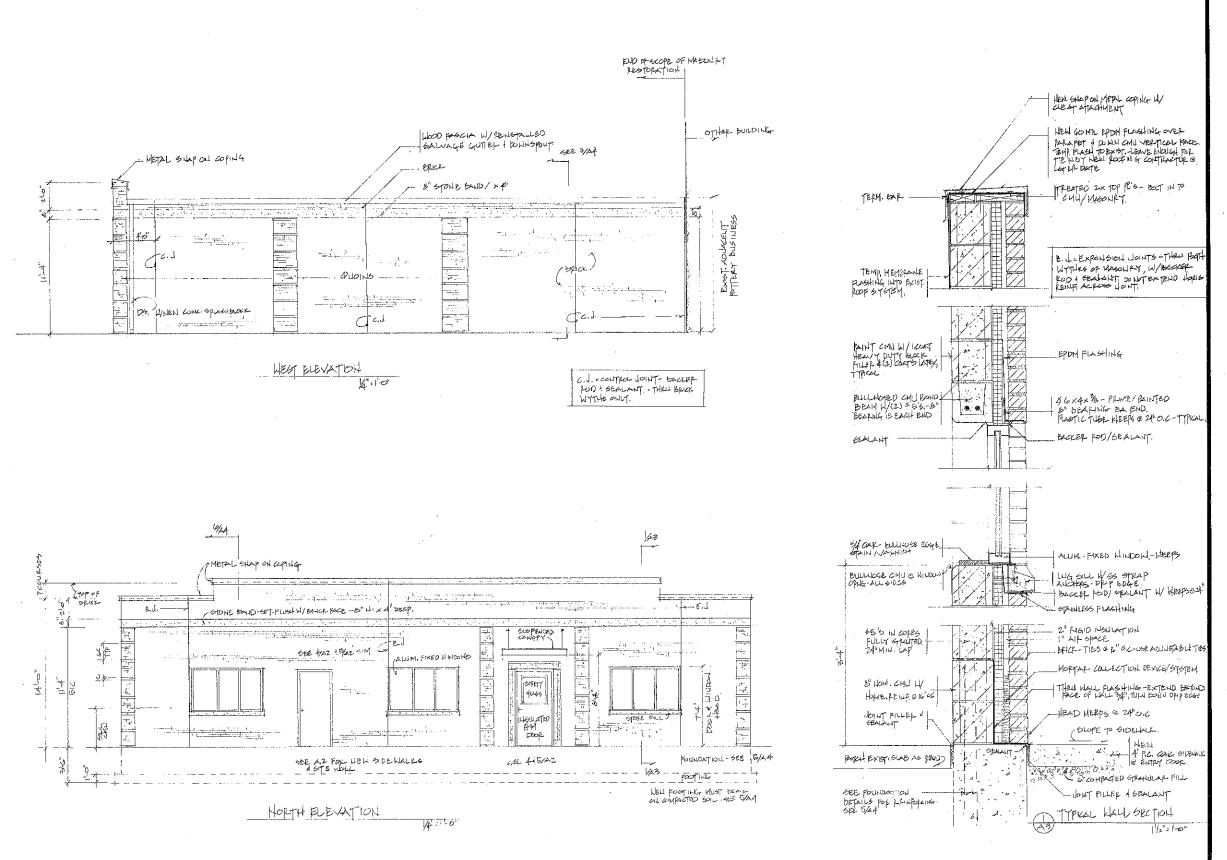
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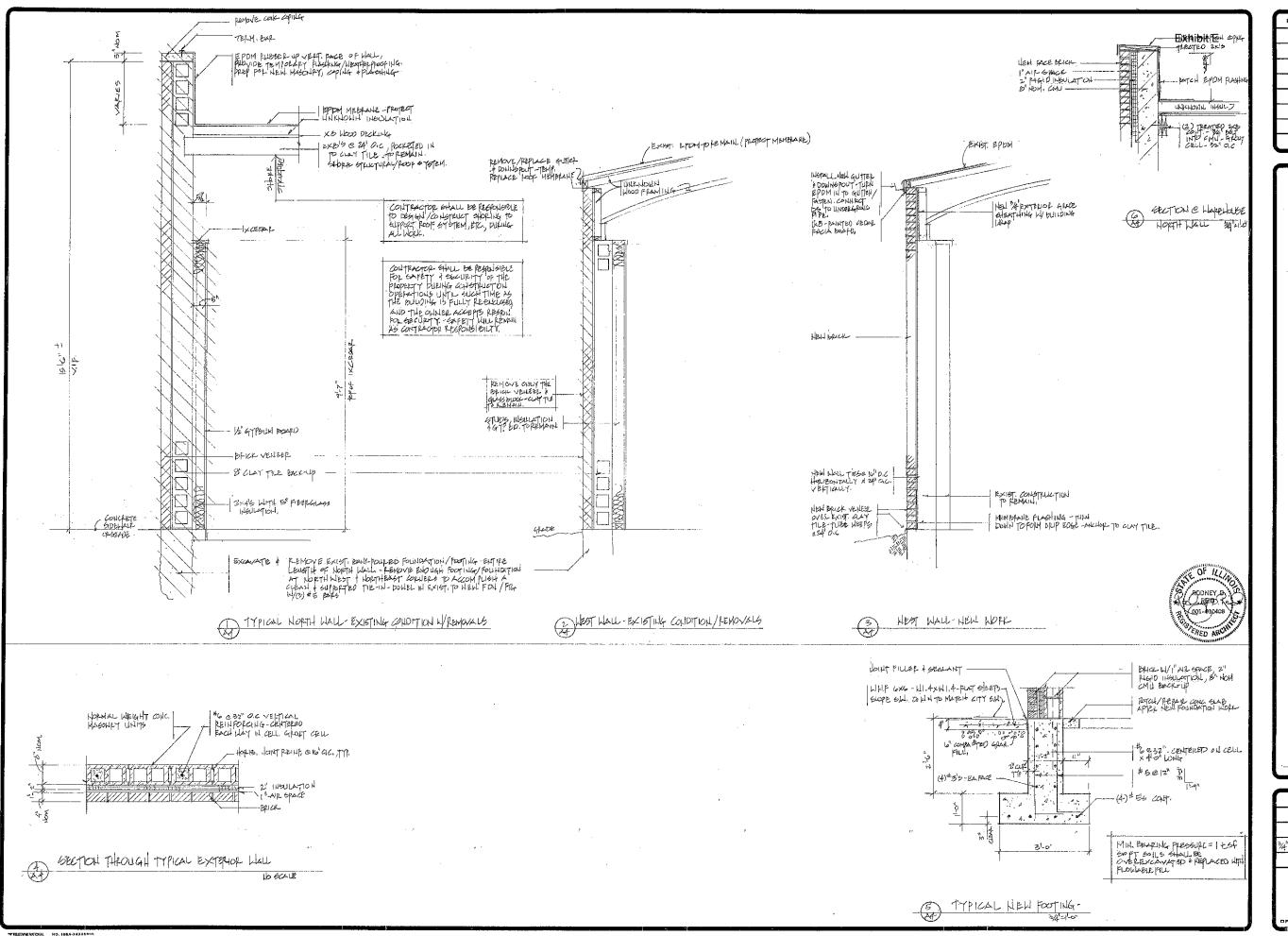
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Exterior Doorse by Steelcraft, Curries Goor 100 or 3-5" x 70" door x 13%, w/ safety glass lits as shewn (Needs Exterior Grade Pelat Fisish)

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or (U) 3-9" x 70" door x 1-4". (Needs Exterior Grade Paint Finish)

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- II. For all new cylinders, key them separately and provide four keys for each cylinder and four master keys that open both cylinders.
- 12. Exterior fescie board on West site at roof edge to be 1 x 8 Cedar, sealed and painted, color by Architect
- New Windows shall be Knowneer 4500T with insulated safety glazing; dark bronze palor framing or approved equal manufacturer and framing system.
- 14. All concrete for factings and foundations shall be 4000 psl
- 15. All new masonry anchors are to be Steinless steel.
- 16. Use "Cavicleer" morter not or approved equal for masonry cavity
- Use Netal Eza Perme-Tita enep on abunimum coping system or approved equal. 20 year warranty, averlap ends 6"-8", continuous cleat system; color selected from Manufacturer's standard color range
- 18. Provide new continuous gutter with downspouts to match existing it size. Color to be selected by Architect and Owner.
- 18. The new curb and gutter section that is to be replaced in accordance with Urbana Codes and design regulations/requirements. Curb and gutter replacement must follow existing flow line of the street and match in size and configuration.
- 20. The oluminum outponded canopy at the front entrance is noted as 3.0" x 6".0" wide. Acceptable manufacturers are Perfection Architecturel Systems, for of Driende, It and Mapes Architectural Comprises of Licentry, NE, GC to provide shap drawings prepared by the manufacturer to indicate all required materials and methods of canactivity to the Boilding for a complete installation. Color to be analyzed bronze. Festivers shall be stainless steel.

Ganeral Notes:

Exhibit E

- All bildders must visit the site to become familiar with the conditions and site constraints prior to bidding. Desations or discrepancies in the Contract Documents will be arought to the attention of the Architect and shall be revised by Addandum.
- The Building is load bearing mesonry exterior load with wood trees end 2 x wood roof framing system and EPDM roof. It is intended that the roofing and now insulation be replaced under enother project by the Owner.
- 3. Contractor shall provide insurance cartificates and shall must the requirements of the City of Linbana to perform business in the City.
- 4. Contractor shall apply for and obtain all necessary permits from the City of thebens to perform the work indicated in these documents.
- Contractor shall be responsible for selaty and security of the jobsite and stored materials until such time as the security of the building can be turned over to the Dwner. Safety of the construction site and building area and security of the building materials shall remain the responsibility of the contractor through the and of final complation.
- Contractor is not required to provide a bit bond. All contractors performing work on this project must be properly licensed with the City of Urbans and State of Illnois.
- 7. There will be no new mechanical/HVAC or plumbing work in this project.
- Contractor is responsible for the design and construction of the temporary shoring of the building as required to remove and replace the measury work noted on the documents.
- All existing exits and entreaces shell be meintained in use. Access to the building through the front (North) entreaces shell be meintained during construction by meens of excess through the temporary enclosure.

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10. Contractor shall provide \$500 ellowence for light features to be selected by Owner/Architect.



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