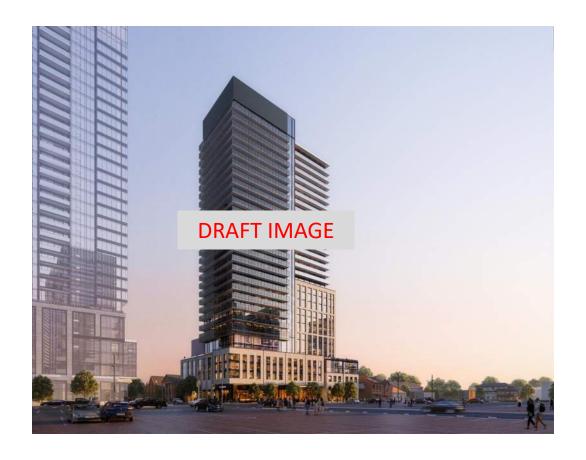
# 92 John Street North Design Review Panel Presentation



Studio JCI

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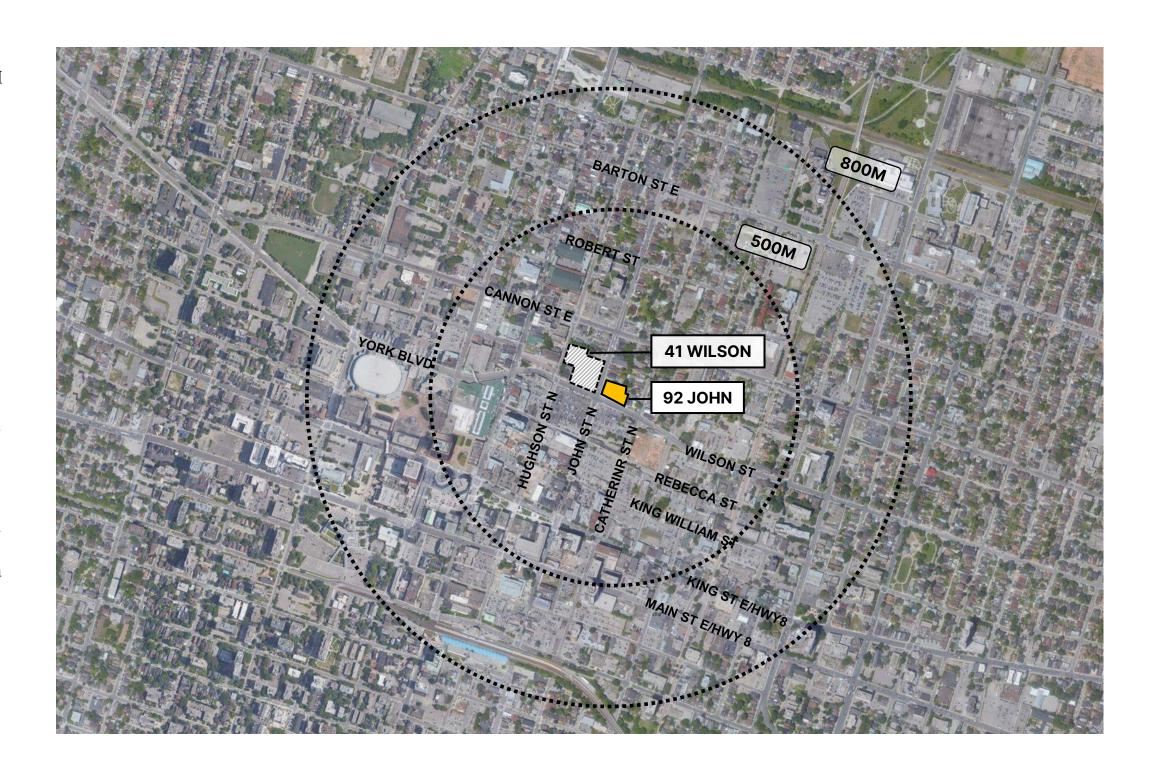
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### **Introduction and Context: Intent of Document**

Hamilton III GP Inc. c/o Emblem Developments has retained Studio JCI to design and prepare this presentation for the development proposed on the lands municipally known as 92-100 John St. North and 61-81 Wilson Street, Hamilton, ON. (92 John St).

The intent of this document is to:

- 1. Identify the existing site and planning principles
- 2. Describe the cultural heritage context of the site
- 3. Outline the project narrative and approach to the design of this development
- 4. Illustrate the Design Evolution of this building, clarifying revisions incorporated to address comments received from City Staff prior to and after the Formal Consultation
- 5. Describe the Architectural Vision and proposed materials palette



### **Site Photos**





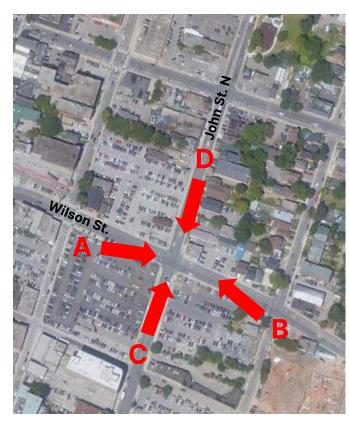
C. View on John St looking north



**B.** View on Wilson looking west

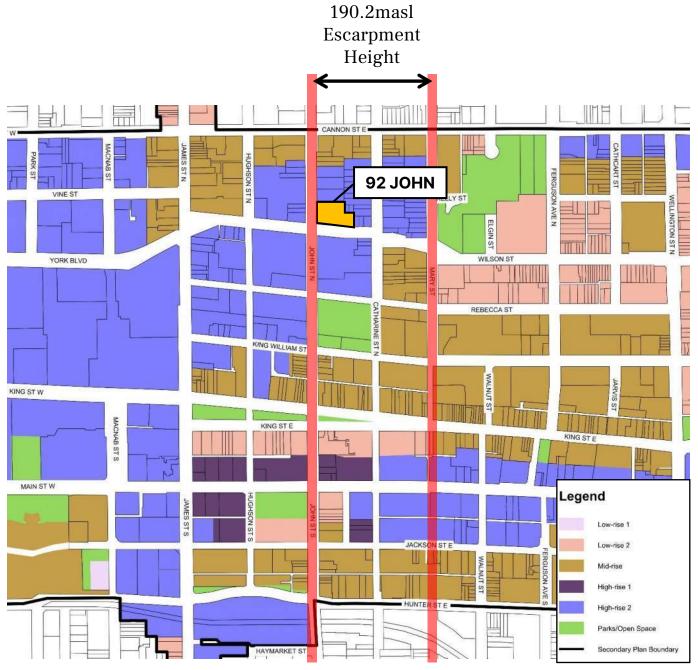


D. View on John St looking south



Location Map

### **Building Heights Across Surrounding Neighbourhood**

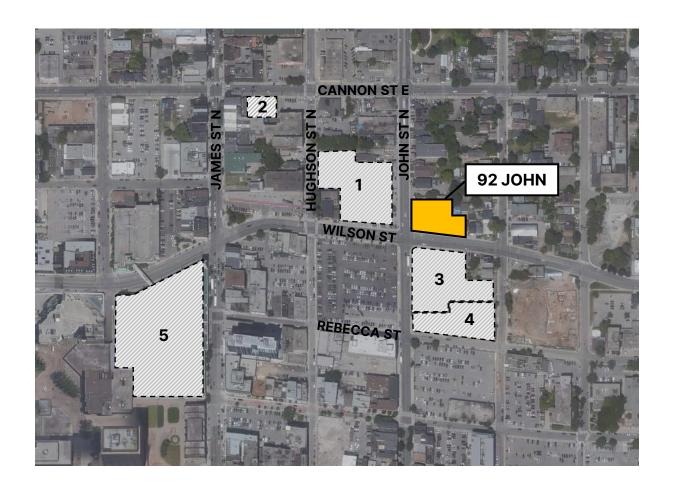


Downtown Hamilton Secondary Plan Map B 6.1-2, Maximum Building Heights



Zoning By-law No. 05-200 Schedule F-Figure 1, Maximum Building Heights

### **Adjacent Developments**





41 WILSON ST Three 31 Storey towers Application status: Approved



16 CANNON ST E 14 Storey Residential Application status: Conditional approval



80 John St. N Two 30 Storey Mixed Use Towers Application status: Filed, no conditional approvals to date

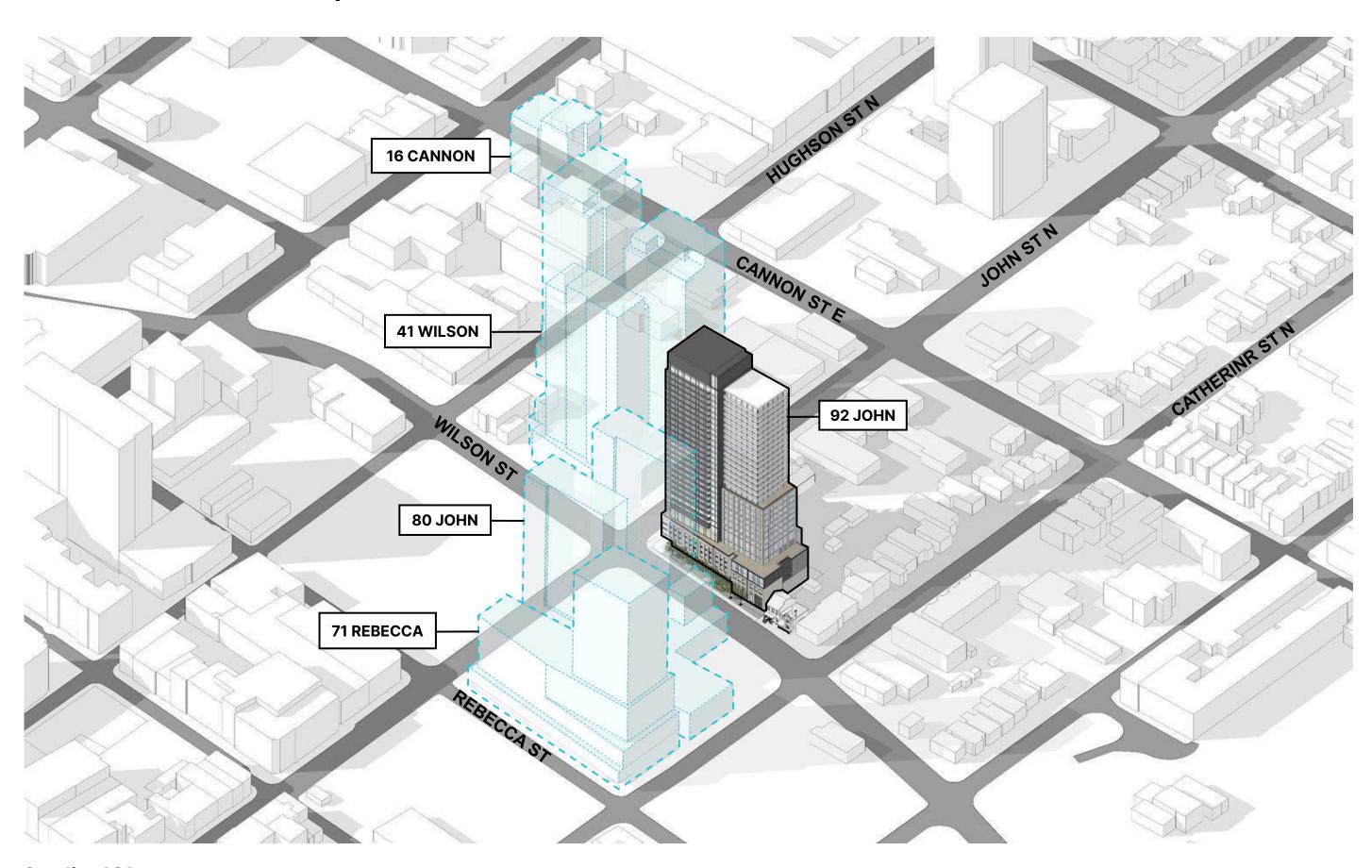


71 REBECCA 30 Storey Mixed Use tower Application status: Conditional approval



77 JAMES ST N Three 30 Storey Mixed Use towers & one 24 Storey tower Application status: Conditional approval

## **Context (Current and Proposed)**



### **Heritage – CHIA Executive Summary**

GBCA Project # 22050 - 92-100 John Street and 61-81 Wilson Street - CHIA DRAFT

7 March 2023

#### 1. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Goldsmith Borgal & Company Ltd. Architects (GBCA) was retained by Emblem Developments in 2022 to prepare a Cultural Heritage Impact Assessment (CHIA) for the development of a site located on a parcel of land in the downtown core of Hamilton, roughly bounded by Wilson Street, John Street North, and Catharine Street at the Southeast corner of John Street North and Wilson Street. For the purposes of this application, the site is referred to as 92 John Street. Our draft assessment has been scoped for the purpose of responding to comments arising from the formal Consultation with the City of Hamilton and in preparation of the Design Review Panel application, based on material made available to us at this phase of the design.

The development site comprises four extant structures - 92 John Street North (3-storey masonry structure), 96 John Street North (1-storey structure), 100 John Street North (2-storey structure), and 81 Wilson Street (2-1/2 storey structure) which will be removed to accommodate the proposed 31-storey (plus MPH) building with a contextually related 5storey podium. All of the existing buildings are included in the Municipal Heritage Register and inventoried as a result of a recommendation from the 2014 Downtown Built Heritage Inventory Project. GBCA conducted an independent evaluation under Ontario Regulation 9/06 for these properties and concluded that they do not meet sufficient criteria for having cultural heritage value. As such, the buildings are not, in our opinion, heritage resources and are proposed to be demolished. Mitigation strategies are discussed in this scoped CHIA, which will provide a preliminary assessment of cultural heritage resources in advance of a refined development proposal that will consist of a new multi-storey and mixeduse commercial and residential building, with above-ground parking which will replace the current low-rise structures.

Throughout this CHIA, GBCA has reviewed the proposed development largely with respect to its adjacency to heritage resources (as defined in the City's Official Plan), and the overall "fit" of the development into the existing site and context.

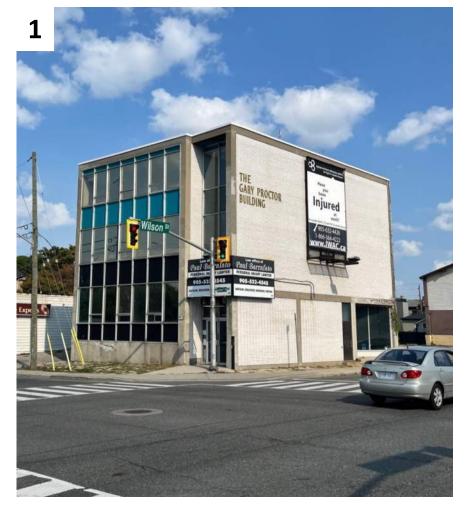
As the development site is located in the downtown core of the City, it is adjacent to many heritage properties that are either listed or designated. Most notably, within the block of the site, there is one designated property: Stewart Memorial Church c. 1888 (114 John Street North) described through By-law 93-089, located in Appendix V. The proposed change for the site consists of a new mixed-use development with retail and residential uses, which will allow for the visibility and full expression of adjacent heritage resources.

The proposed land assembly merging 92-100 John Street North and 61-81 Wilson Street into one structure will change the historical lotting patterns on the site which date back to 1840. Furthermore, the proposed development will involve the demolition of four inventoried buildings on the subject site and impact adjacent heritage resources by means of the introduction of new high-rise volumes in an area predominantly characterized by low-rise buildings.

In our view, and in light of mitigating strategies to reduce impacts to heritage properties, this proposal balances demands for *intensification* with those of *heritage preservation* in a manner that allows both objectives to be appreciated as a part of a complex and changing urban environment.

This CHIA has been prepared in accordance with the *InfoSheet: Cultural Heritage Impact Assessments* (last revised September 2014) as required by the City of Hamilton and evaluates the impact of the proposed development on existing heritage resources.

### **Heritage – Existing Structures**



View on 92 John St (Gary Proctor Building)



Trinity Lutheran Church 104 Hughson St. N

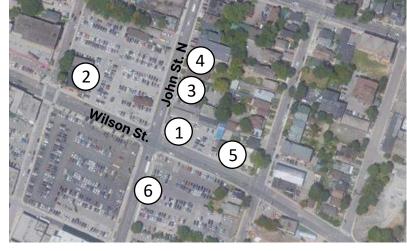


108 John St. N





Detailed photos of Gary Proctor Building



Context Map



**Stewart Memorial Church** 114 John St. N









80 John St. N



85, 87 and 91 Wilson St.

### **Project Narrative**

With the same developer at the NE and NW corners of Wilson and John St. N, there is an opportunity to define a gateway into the City's downtown core, "book ends" to the intersection of Wilson and John. Our starting point is: Can we create a sense of place as an urban art district? Looking to see what other global urban art districts have in common, they:

- 1. Activate the public realm, engage the public, create a sense of place, artistry, and identity
- 2. Consider materiality and architectural expression of exterior facades

Investigating the local Hamilton art scene, we've found a collection of artists receiving international recognition, as well as noting the weekly Art Crawls and annual Supercrawls. Hamilton is a city whose art scene is growing.



**Hamilton Supercrawl** 



Art crawl on James St. North



Art Installation by Kapwani Kiwanga

Our approach to this project is 3-fold:

- 1. With developments at each corner, there is a unique opportunity to create a sense of place and to create an urban art district
- 2. A strong podium expression that reconciles:
  - Contextualization versus future development
  - Commemoration of the Gary Procter Building
  - Parking versus residential units
- 3. Expressing the tower floor plate to read as a collection of urban-scale volumes that reinforce the street corner at Wilson St and John St N



Sense of Place

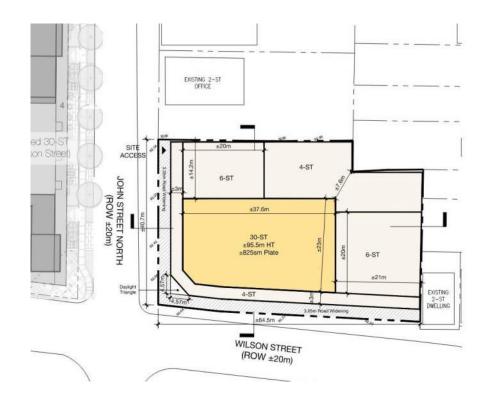


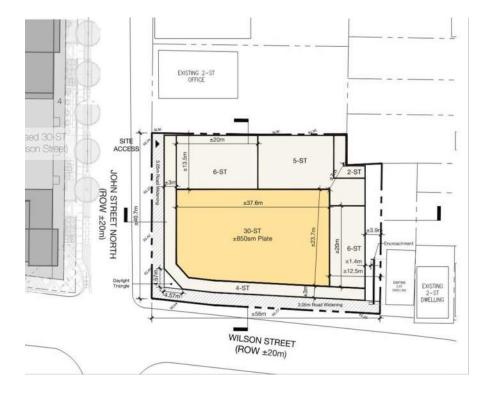
Corner expression

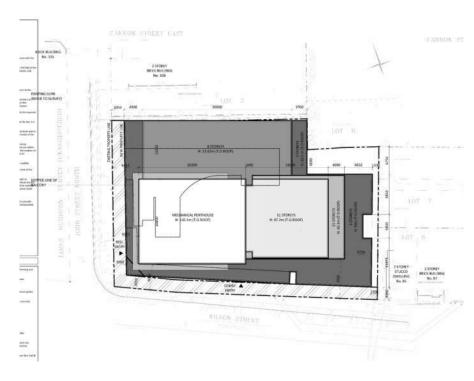


Urban-scale volumes

#### **Site Plan**







#### Initial Site Plan (at Due Diligence)

- Site area consists of 92-100 John St. N and 61-81 Wilson St
- 825m2 tower footprint. Minimum tower setbacks exceeded on north and east sides.
- Zero lot line setback at north-east corner and east property lines
- City feedback was to provide stepdown at northeast corner

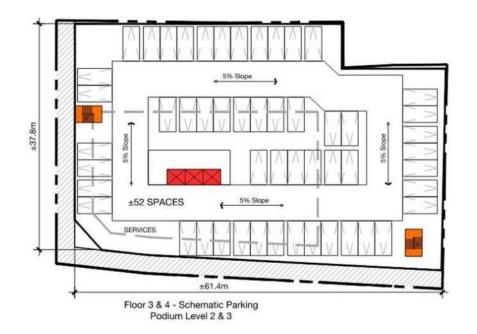
#### Revised Site Plan (Formal Consultation)

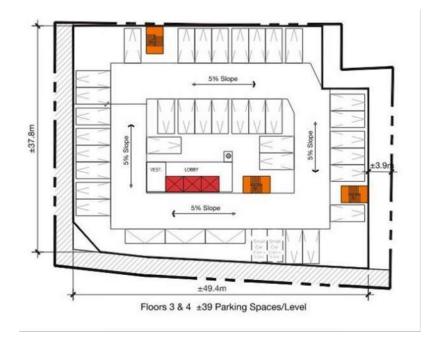
- Revised site area (excludes 81 Wilson St)
- 850m2 tower footprint. Minimum tower setbacks exceeded on north and east sides.
- Zero lot line setback at north-east corner with 2storey setback proposed. 3.9m setback proposed at east property line
- City feedback was to provide more setback at north-east corner

### Revised Site Plan (DRP)

- Site area increased eastwardly to 81 Wilson Street
- 850m2 tower footprint. Minimum tower and mid-rise setbacks exceeded on north and east sides (14.3m and 13.6m respectively) no change in shadow impact to parks or public spaces
- Ground floor wall setback 3.0m and 2.4m (on Wilson and John respectively) to improve pedestrian realm at corner
- 6m setback proposed at north east corner (from north property line), 1.5m setback proposed at east property line

### **Typical Podium Plan**







### Initial Podium Plan (at Due Diligence)

- Uses on Levels 2-4 comprised of parking only
- City feedback was to provide high level material treatment of screen parking

### Revised Podium Plan (Formal Consultation)

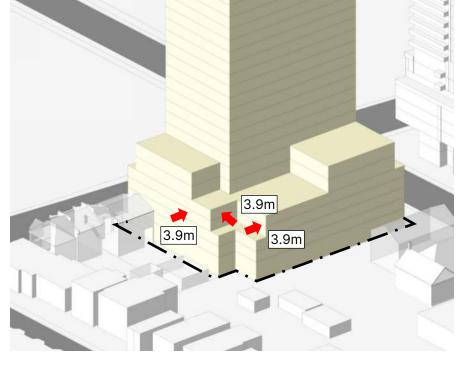
- Uses on Levels 2-5 comprised of parking only (due to additional setbacks)
- Similar approach to podium exterior cladding required (high level material treatment)

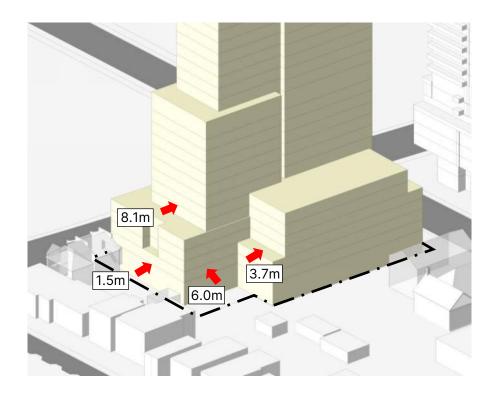
#### Revised Podium Plan (DRP)

• Parking located on levels 2-7 at the northern portion of the plan only, *allowing southern and south-western portion of the podium to be used for residential units, animating the street wall* 

#### **North-East Corner Setbacks**







#### Initial NE Massing (at Due Diligence)

- Proposed massing of a 4-storey at zero lot line for north and east property lines
- City feedback was to provide stepdown at northeast corner

#### **Revised NE Massing (Formal Consultation)**

- Proposed massing of a 2 storey + Mezzanine (3 storey total) at north and corner property lines
- 3.9m setback proposed at east property line (due to existing encroachment of 81 Wilson onto subject lands)
- City feedback was to provide more setback at north-east corner

### Revised NE Massing (DRP)

- Proposed massing of a 3-storey at north and corner property lines (technical requirement to provide sufficient parking ramp length)
- 3.7m setback at east corner property line
- 6.0m setback from north property line at rear
- 1.5m setback from east property line with additional articulation of side wall
- 8.1m setback at 6<sup>th</sup> floor

#### **Massing**









#### Initial Massing (at Due Diligence)

- 4 storey podium on Wilson and John St. N (16.0m high on both sides)
- Levels 5 & 6 setback 3m from street line
- Tower expression at corner
- East wall 6 storeys facing adjacent building

### **Revised Massing (Formal Consultation)**

- 5 storey podium on Wilson and John St. N (16.2m high on both sides)
- Levels 6 & 7 set back 3m from street line
- East wall extends as high as 23.2m high (next to adjacent property)
- Tower expression at corner
- East wall 6 storeys facing adjacent building
- City feedback was to reduce podium heights to be sensitive to adjacent buildings context and to meet 16.0m and 22.0m zoning by-law requirements on John and Wilson Streets respectively

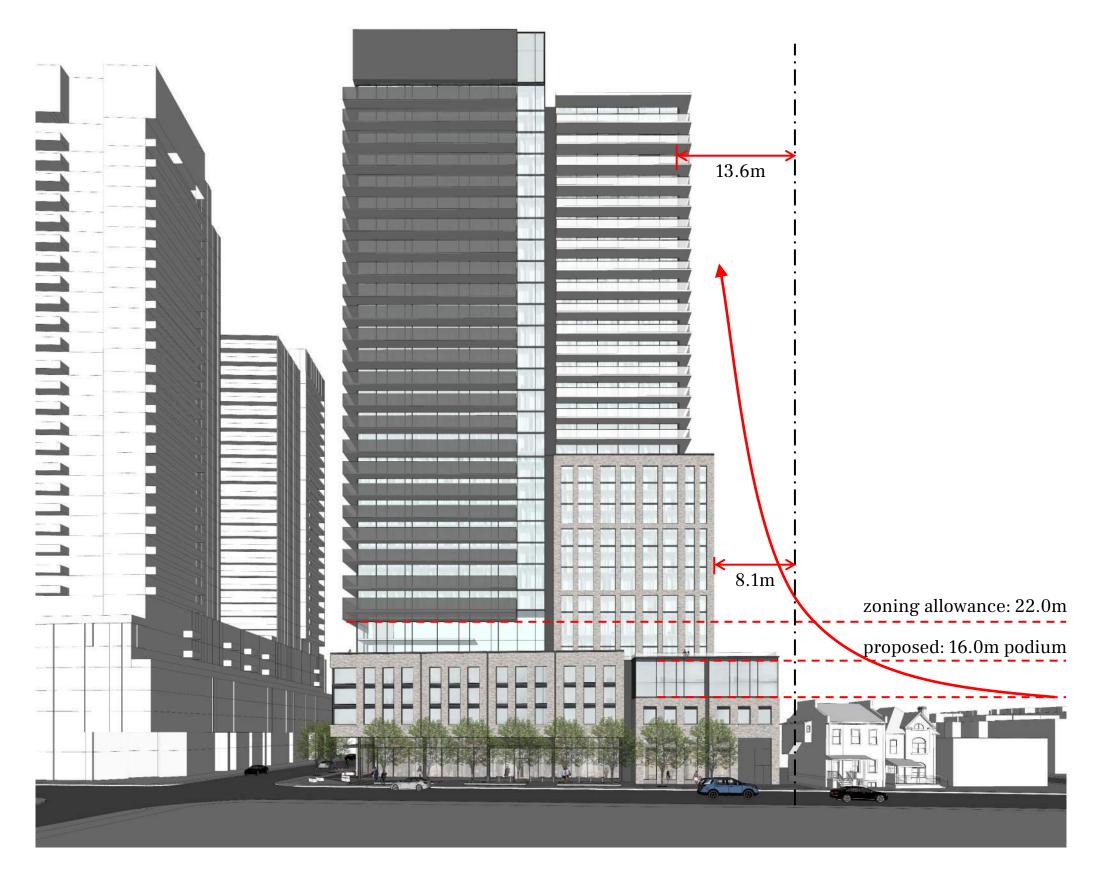
#### Revised Massing (DRP)

- 5 storey podium on Wilson and John St. N (16.0m high on both sides)
- Mid-rise form introduced on east side to transition from low-rise/podium level to tower
- East wall 5 storeys facing adjacent building (16.0m high), with a change in materials and articulation to improve the architectural relationship with adjacent buildings

# **Architectural Vision**



### **Architectural Vision**



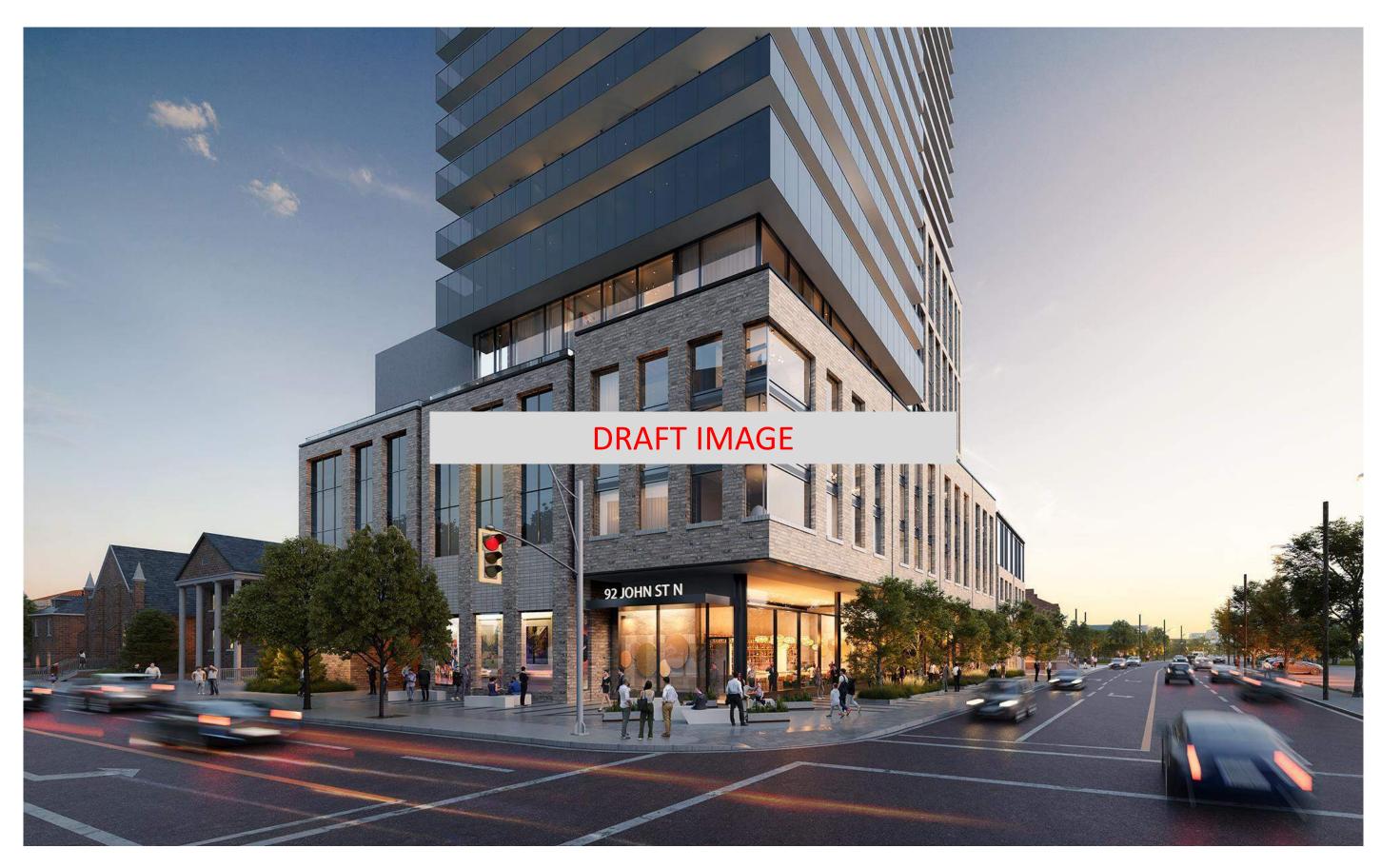
# **Perspective View 01**



# **Perspective View 02**



# **Perspective View 03**



# **Streetscape Corner View**



Podium at corner view



Windham brick



Black metal panel



Glazing



Gary Proctor Building

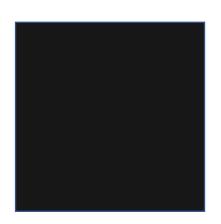


## **Streetscape Elevation: Wilson Street**





Windham brick



Black metal panel



Glazing



**Existing Context** 

# **Streetscape Elevation: John Street North**

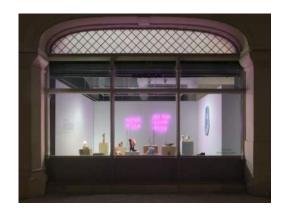




Steven Holl/Vito Acconci, Storefront for Art and Architecture



New York University



Anton Kern Gallery



Sotheby's display, The Hamptons

### **Landscape Vision**



## **Rear View**



# Conclusion



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### **Planning: Information and Policy**

#### **Site Context**

Subject Lands are situated at the northeast corner of John Street and Wilson Street within the Downtown Hamilton Secondary Plan.

James Street and Jackson Square are within walking distance to the subject lands.

#### North

Two and three storey existing buildings Stewart Memorial Church (Heritage Designated)

#### South

Existing Parking Lot Planned 30 Storey Residential Redevelopment

#### West

41 Wilson St - Development Three Towers (31 Storeys) atop Eight Storey Podium

#### **East**

Existing two and three storey residential / commercial buildings

#### **Downtown Hamilton Secondary Plan**

Downtown Residential Designation (see map B.6.1-1)

- Residential and local commercial uses are permitted;
- Improved multi-modal connections are encouraged;

High-Rise 2 Designation (see map B.6.1-2)

• Maximum 30 storeys permitted, provided that no building shall be greater than the height of the top of the Escarpment.

Appendix D - Escarpment Heights

• No Building shall exceed 190.2m asl

# Hamilton Tall Building Guidelines Relevant Policies

#### 4.2 - Building Base

- Designed to create a new street wall, coordinated with adjacent blocks (41 Wilson)
- 3.05m ROW conveyance at grade to grant additional space for pedestrians and street tree plantings
- 4.57m x 4.57m x 6.0m high daylight triangle

#### 4.3 – Building Tower

- 850m2 Tower Floorplate, marginal incremental shadow impacts over the 750m2 guidelines and continues to not shadow any parks
- 3.0m step back from building base
- Additional setbacks
  - 13.6m from the east property line
  - 14.3m from the north property line

#### 5.2 - Sidewalk Zone

- 1.8m minimum wide sidewalks adhering to City of Hamilton Urban Braille Guidelines
- City trees will follow to Forestry requirements to provide required soil volume through a combination of open planters and under pavement soil cells.
- The boulevard to include a street trees / furniture zone streetside on John Street North and between the sidewalk and development on Wilson Street.

# City of Hamilton Co-ordinated Street Furniture Guidelines

The proposed development will include street furniture within City owned property; such as benches and bike racks; that align to the City of Hamilton Street Furniture Guidelines. All public sidewalks will incorporate Urban Braille as well as street trees as per City of Hamilton standards. Within the private property the streetscape elements will include benches, bike racks, planters and sculptural seating. Sculptural seating will help to define the gate way into the City and create a sense of an urban art district.

### **Project Statistics**

Site Area

Existing **2,653.5 sqm** 

After road widening (Ultimate) **2,341.5 sqm** 

Density

GCA **34,133.4 sqm** 

GFA **24,105.9 sqm** 

FSI **10.3** 

Floors **31** 

Height (exclude MPH.) **97.5 m** 

Height (to Mech. Penthouse)

104.5 m

Units

TOTAL **383** 

1-BEDROOM

**267** 70%

2-BEDROOM

103

27%

3-BEDROOM

9

2%

**STUDIO** 

4

1%

Vehicle Parking

Required **141** 

Proposed **143** 

**Proposed** 

332

Proposed Parking Rate **0.37** 

Bicycle Parking

Required **260** 

Amenity

Required **1531 sqm** 

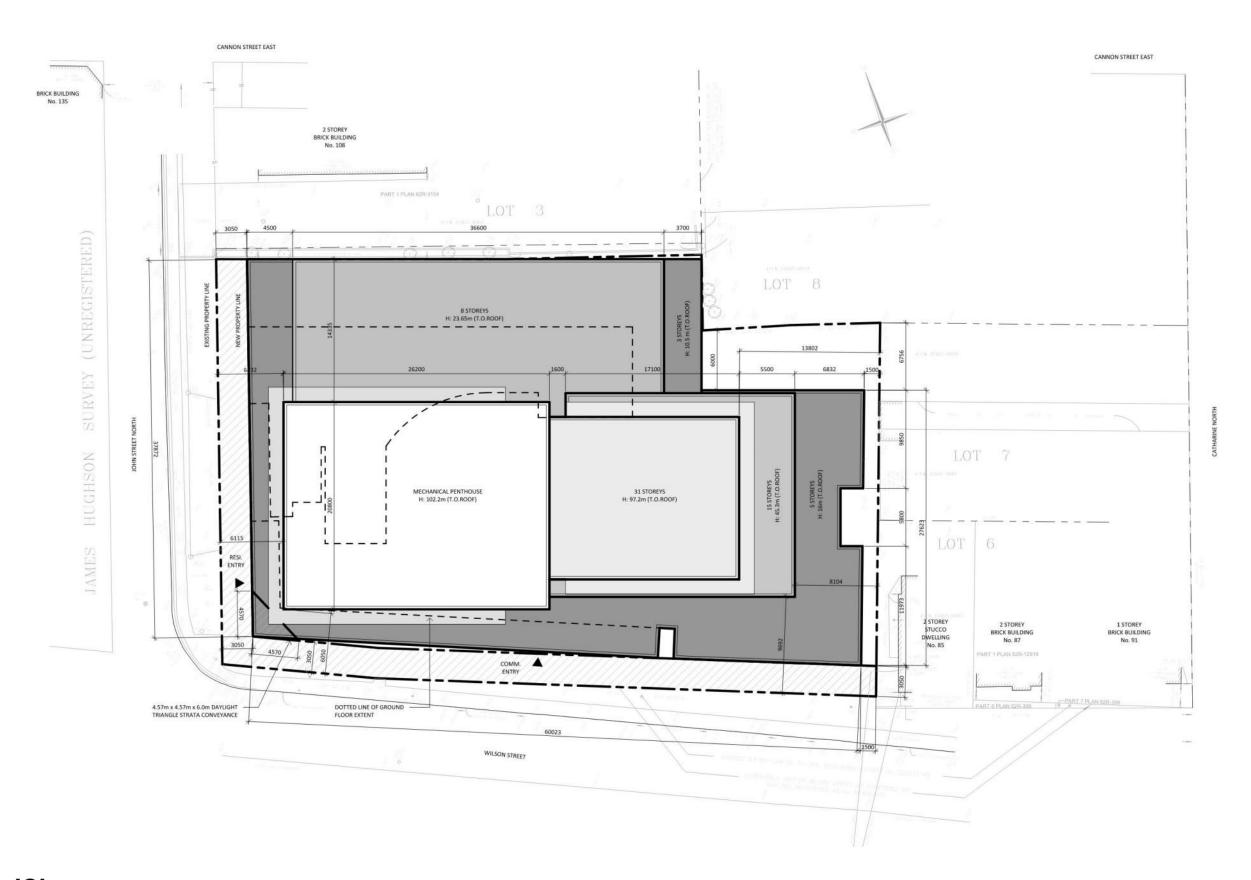
Proposed **5244 sqm** 

Landscape Area

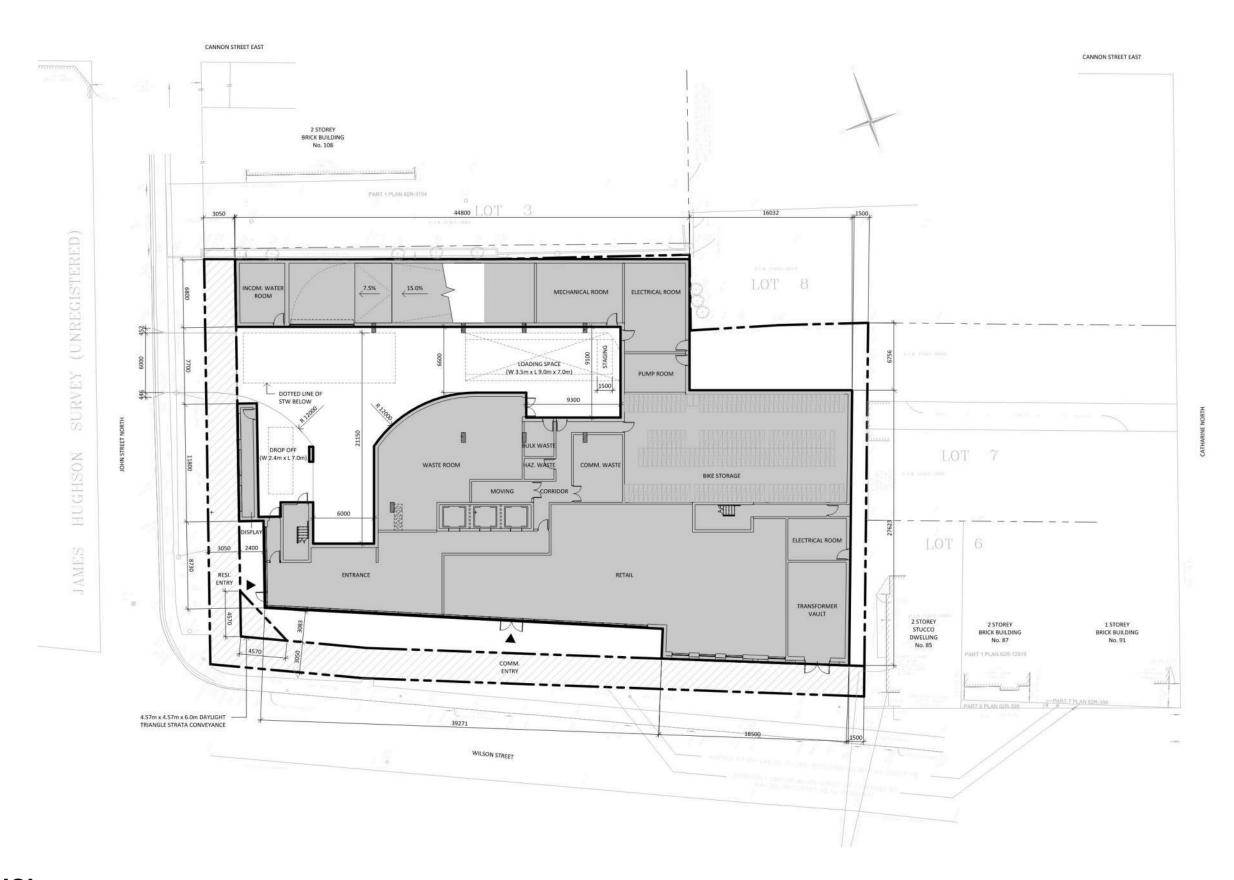
Required **234.2 sqm** 

Proposed **299 sqm** 

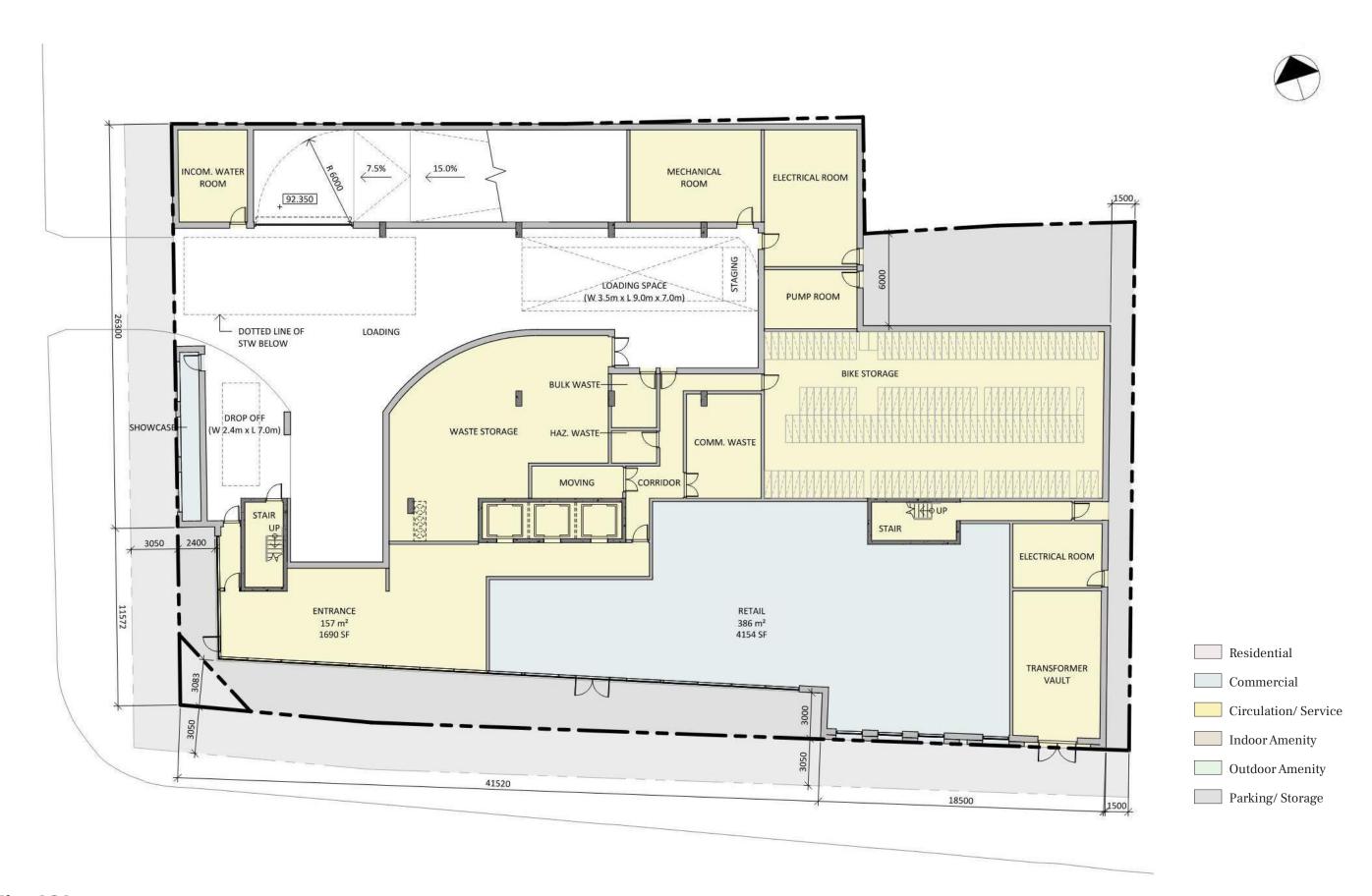
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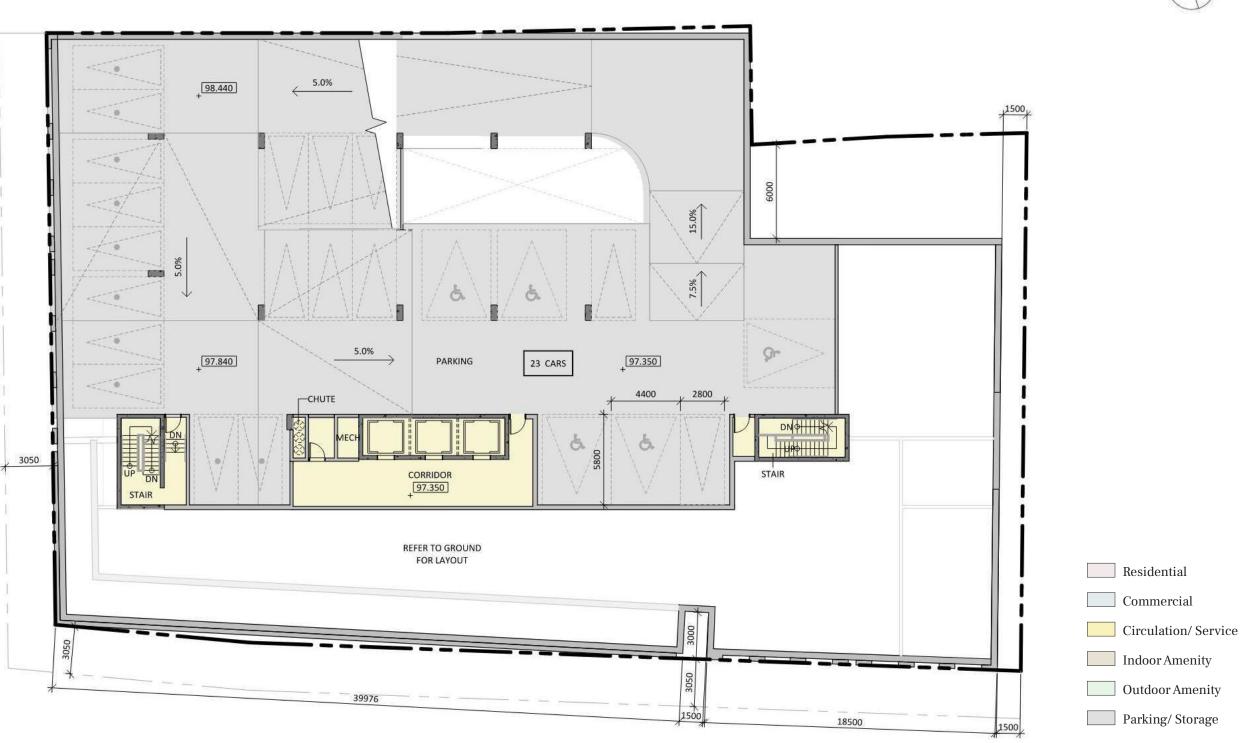


## **Architectural Drawings: Ground Floor Site Plan**



## **Architectural Drawings: Ground Level Floor Plan**



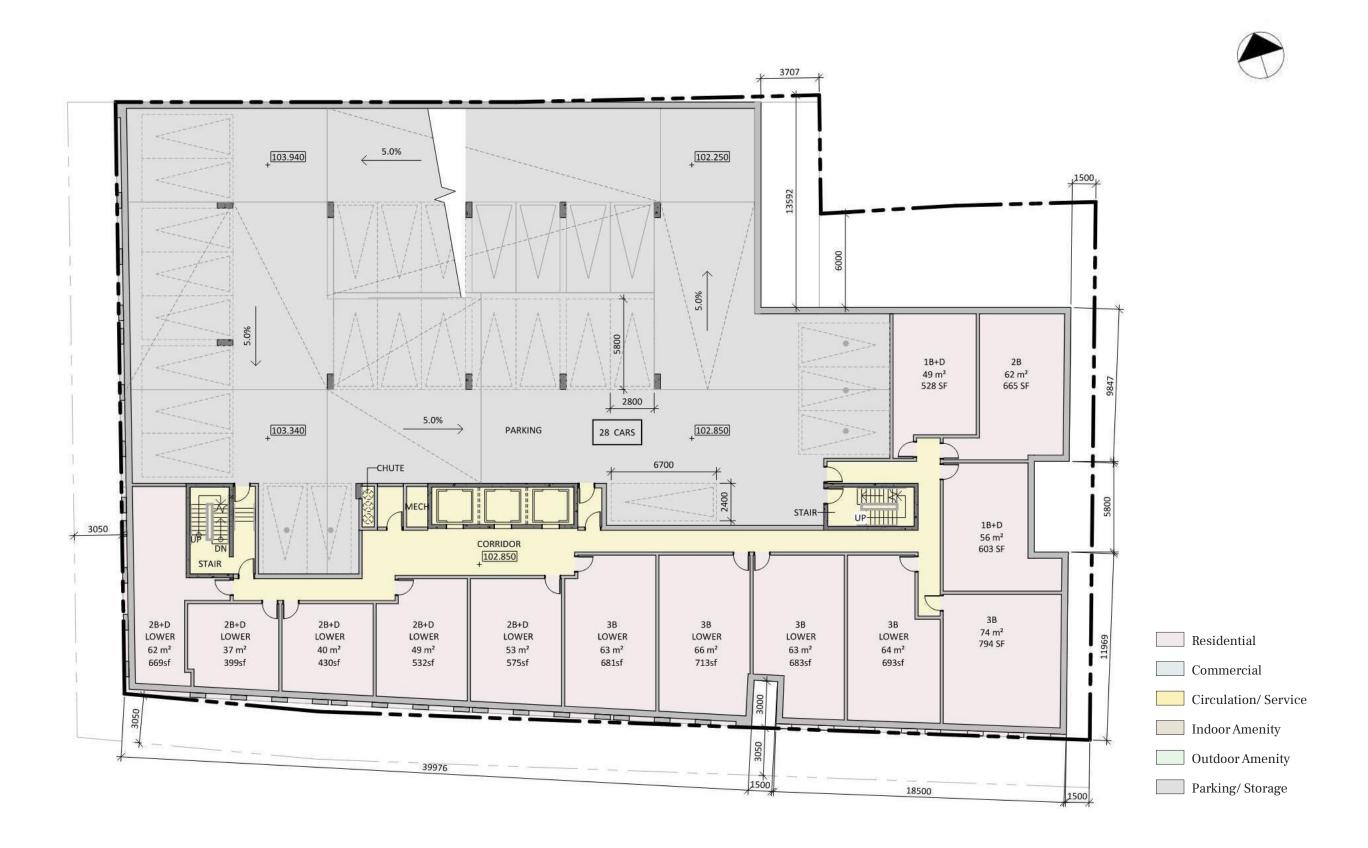


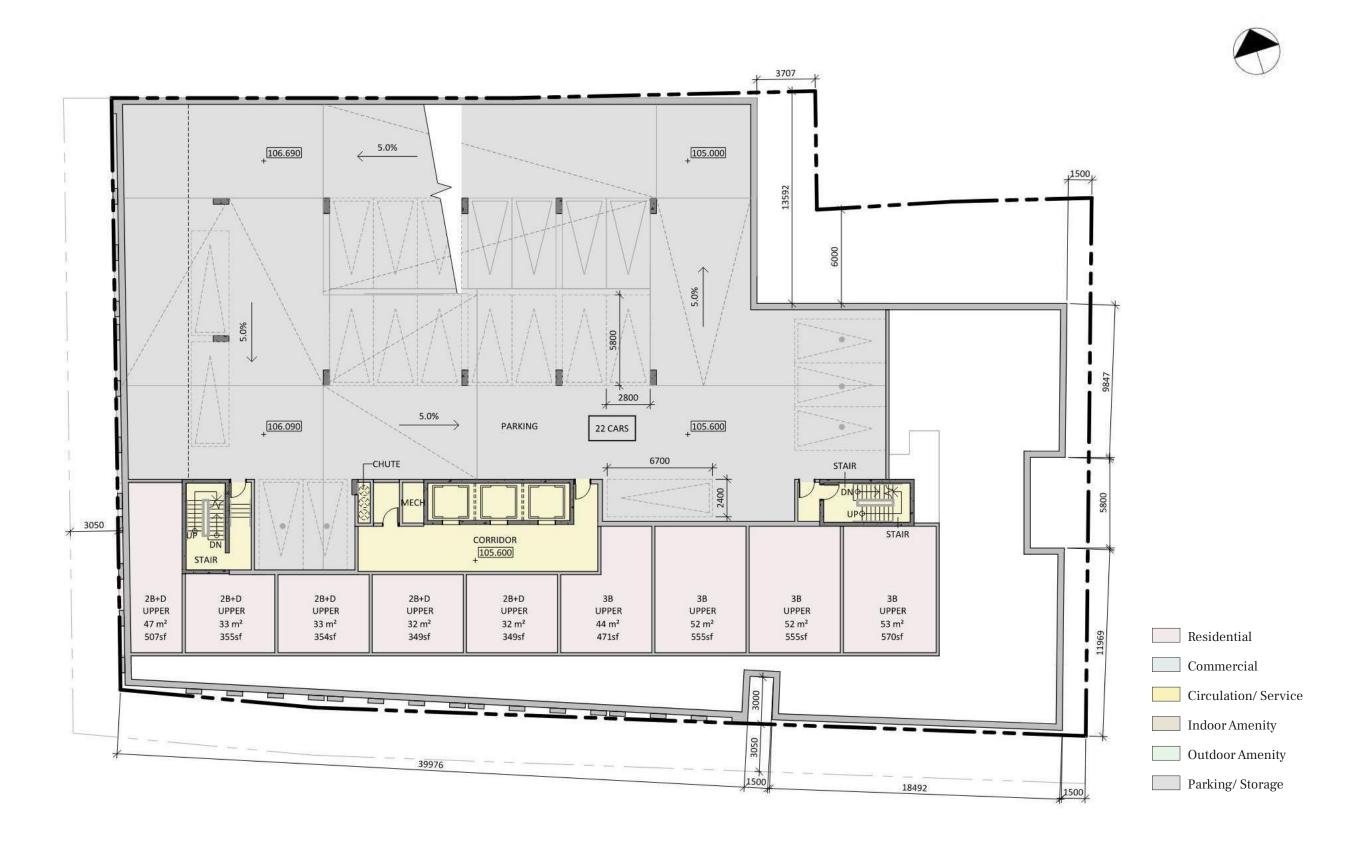


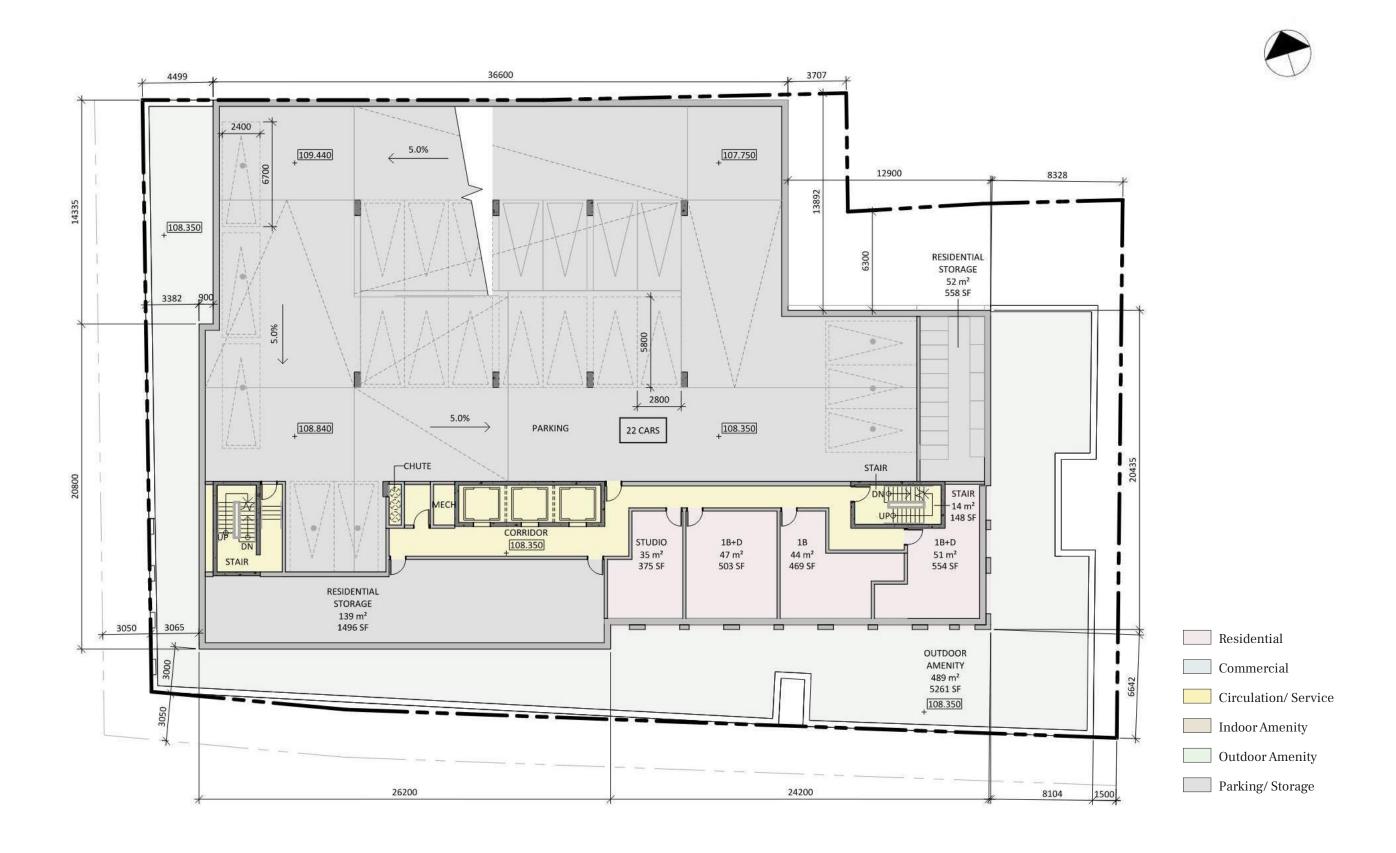




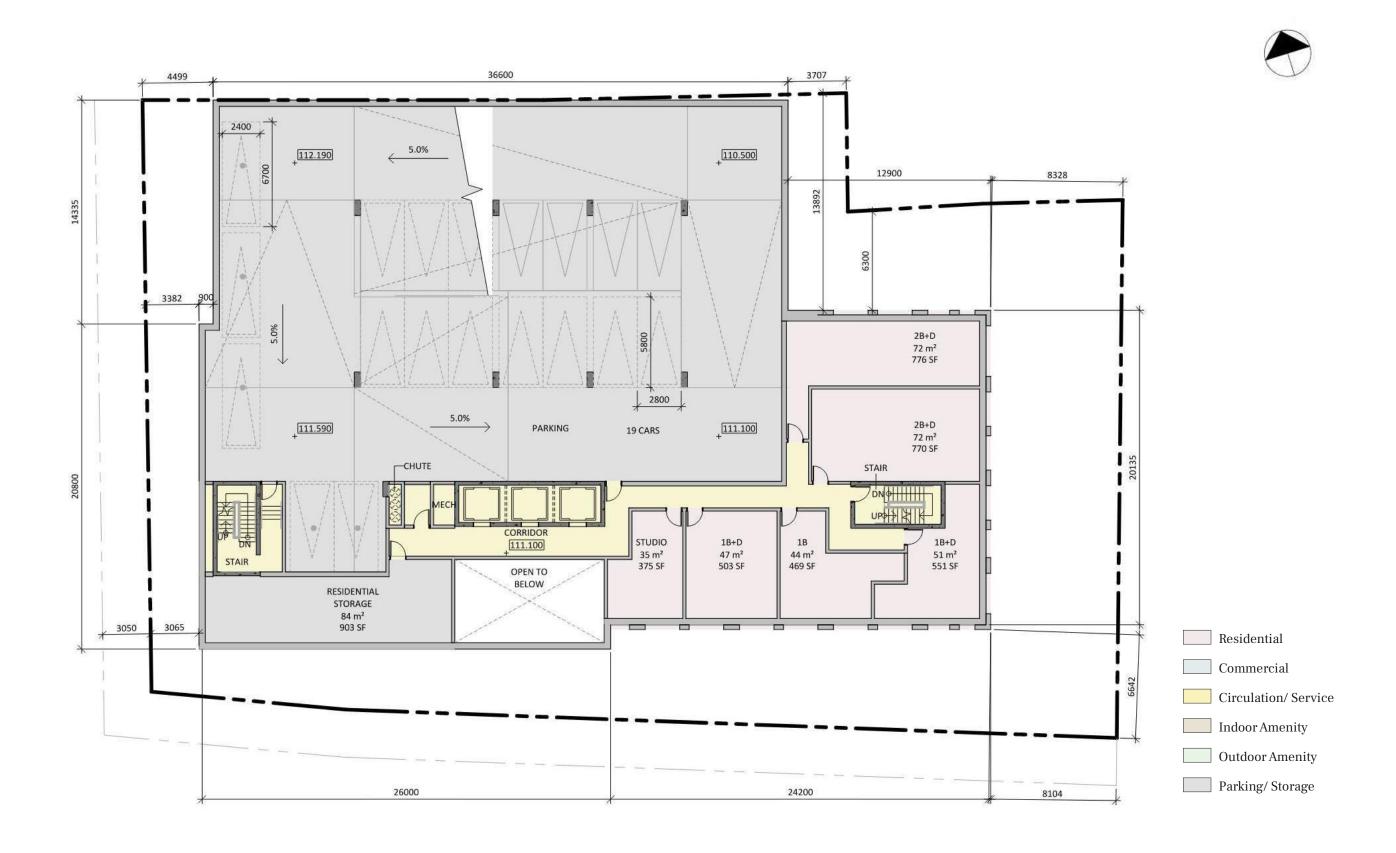




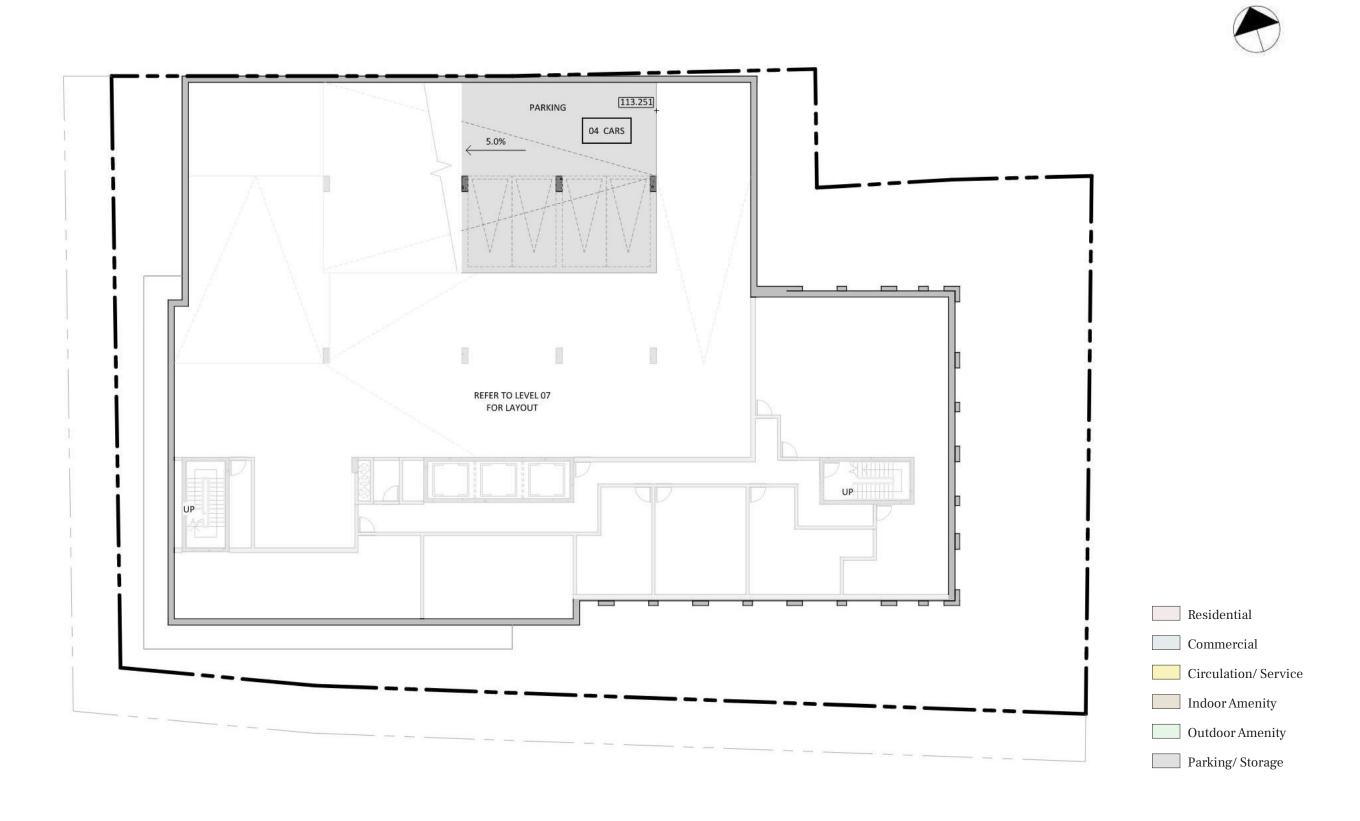




### **Architectural Drawings: Floor Plan Level 7**



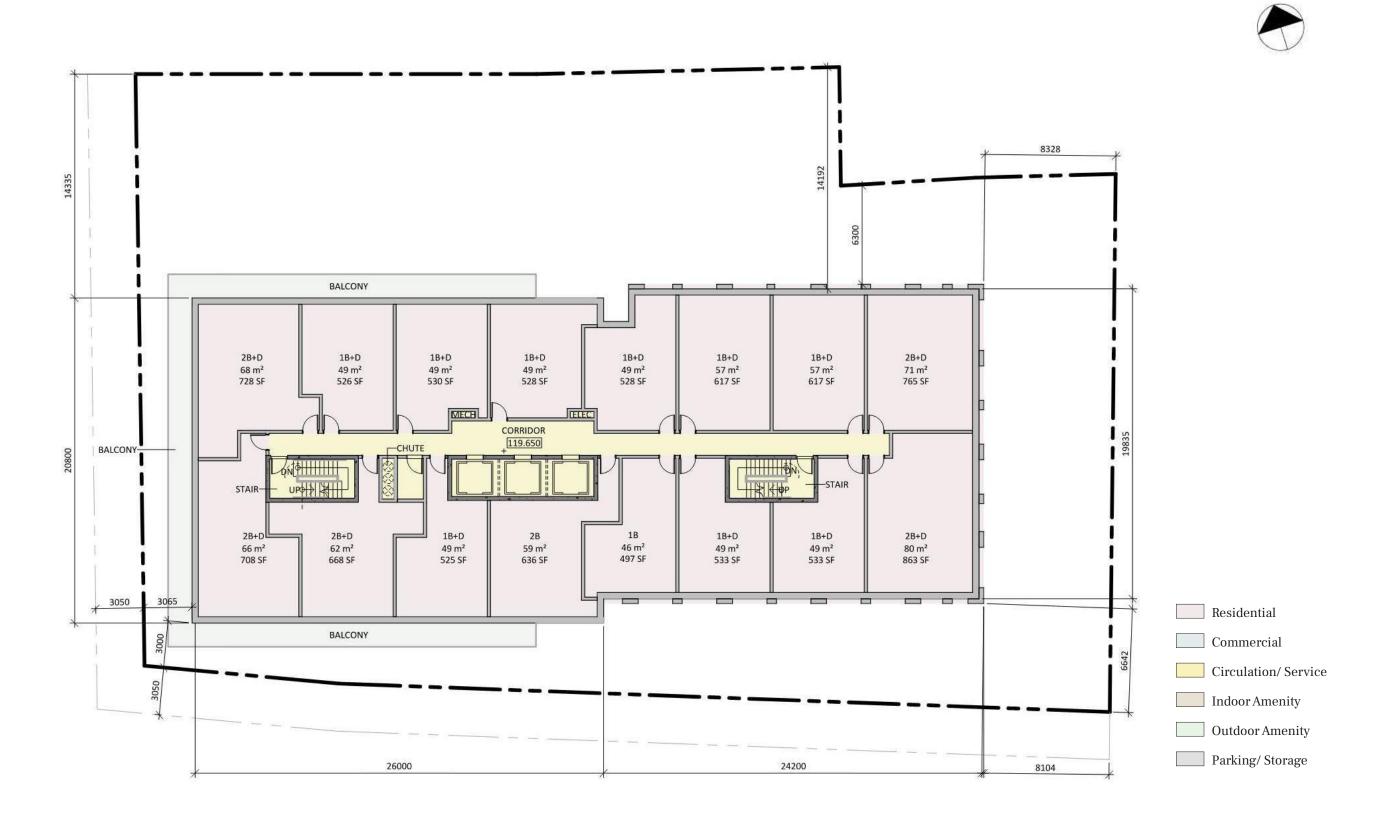
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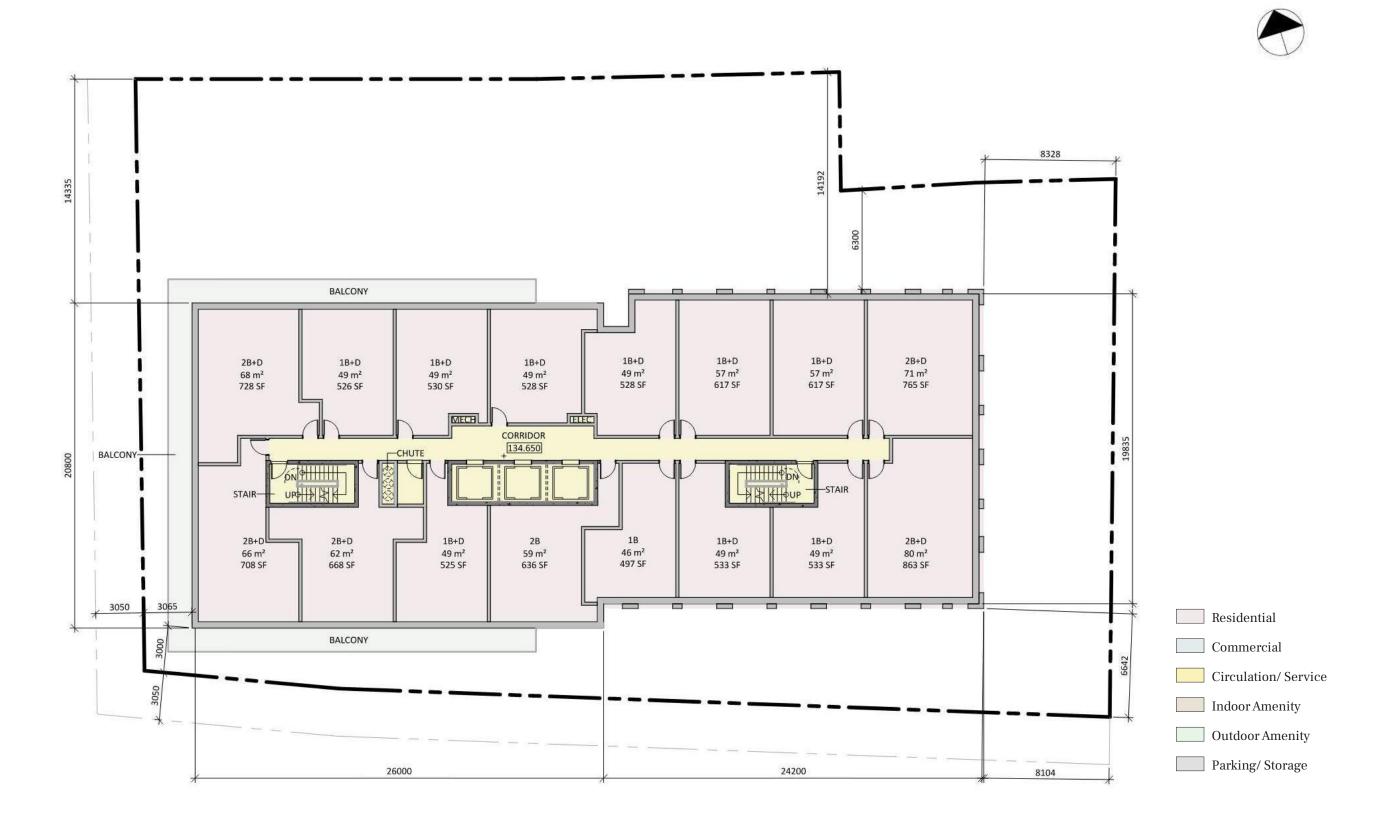
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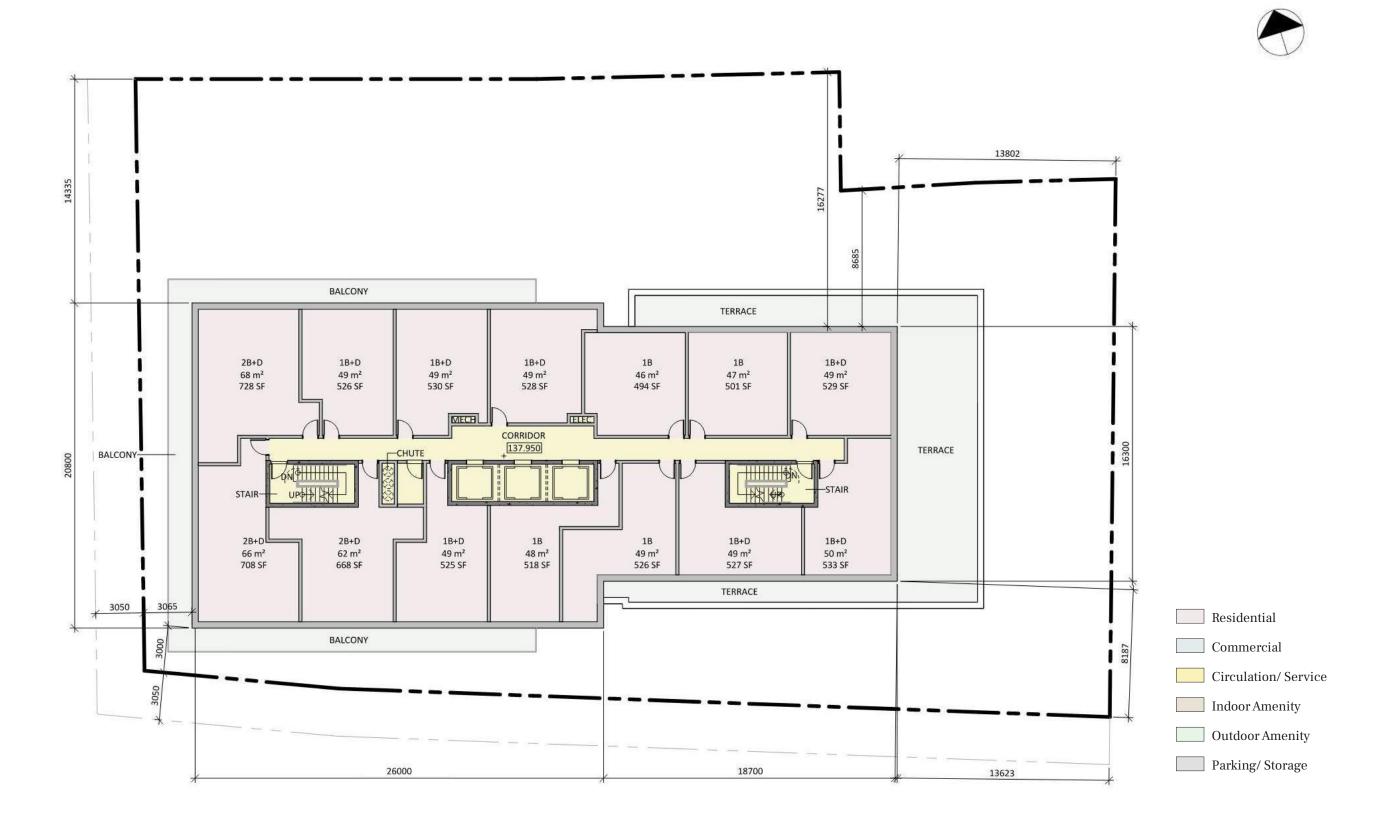
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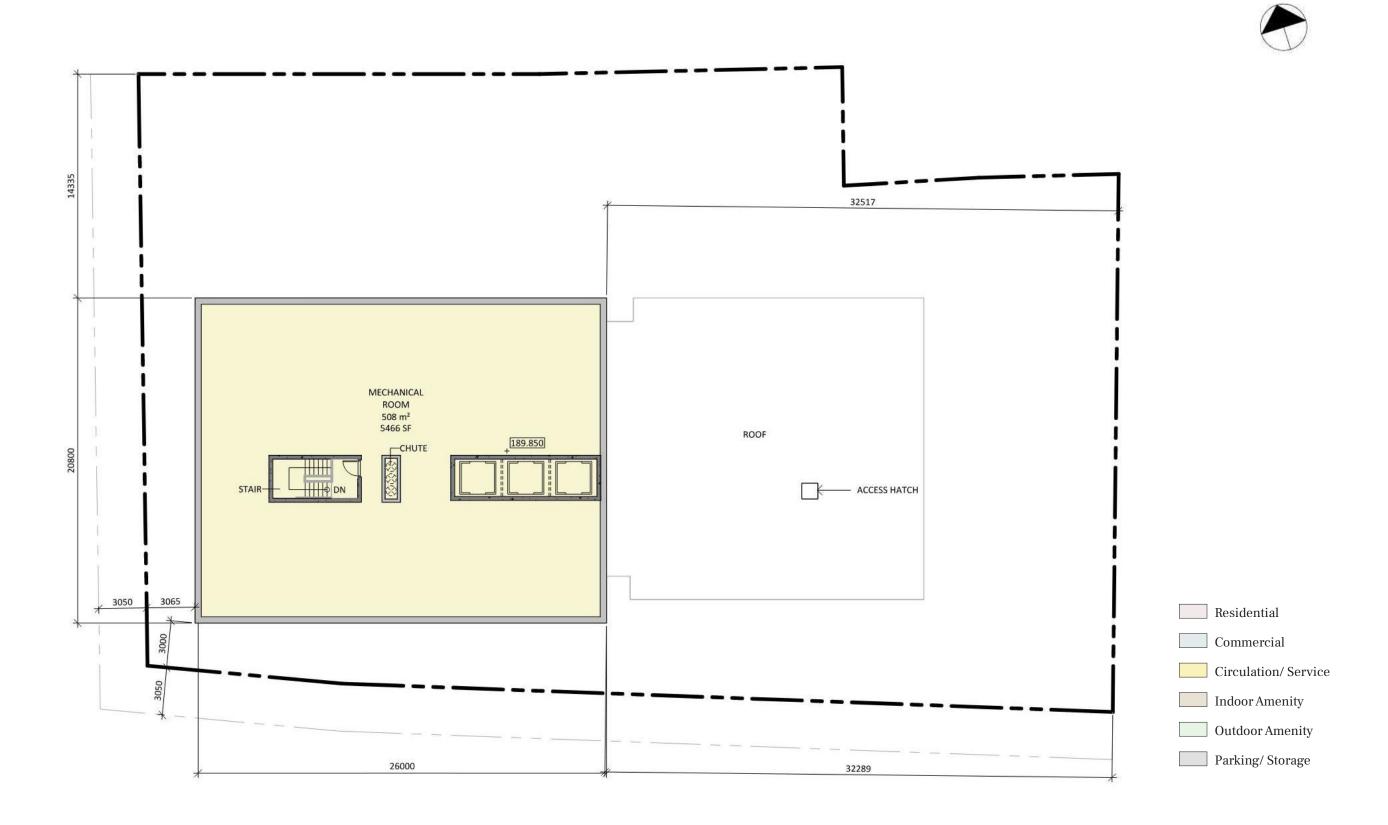
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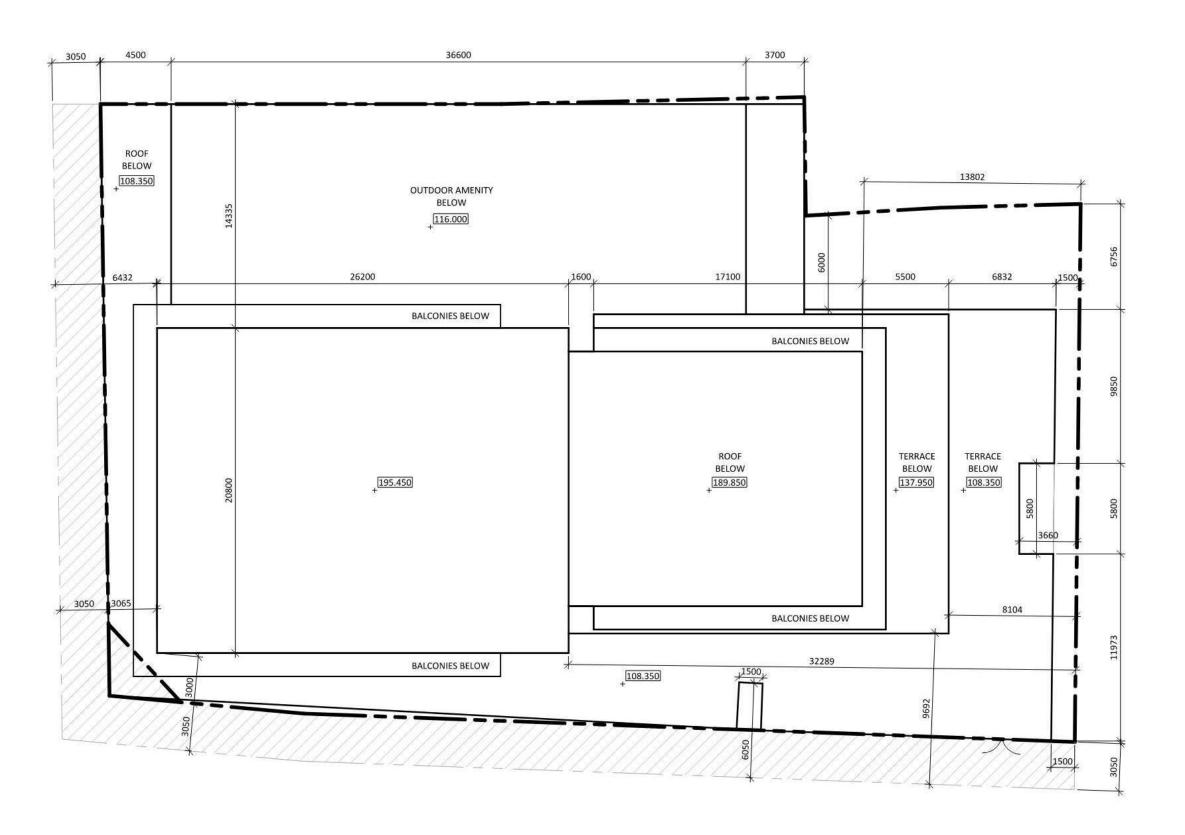


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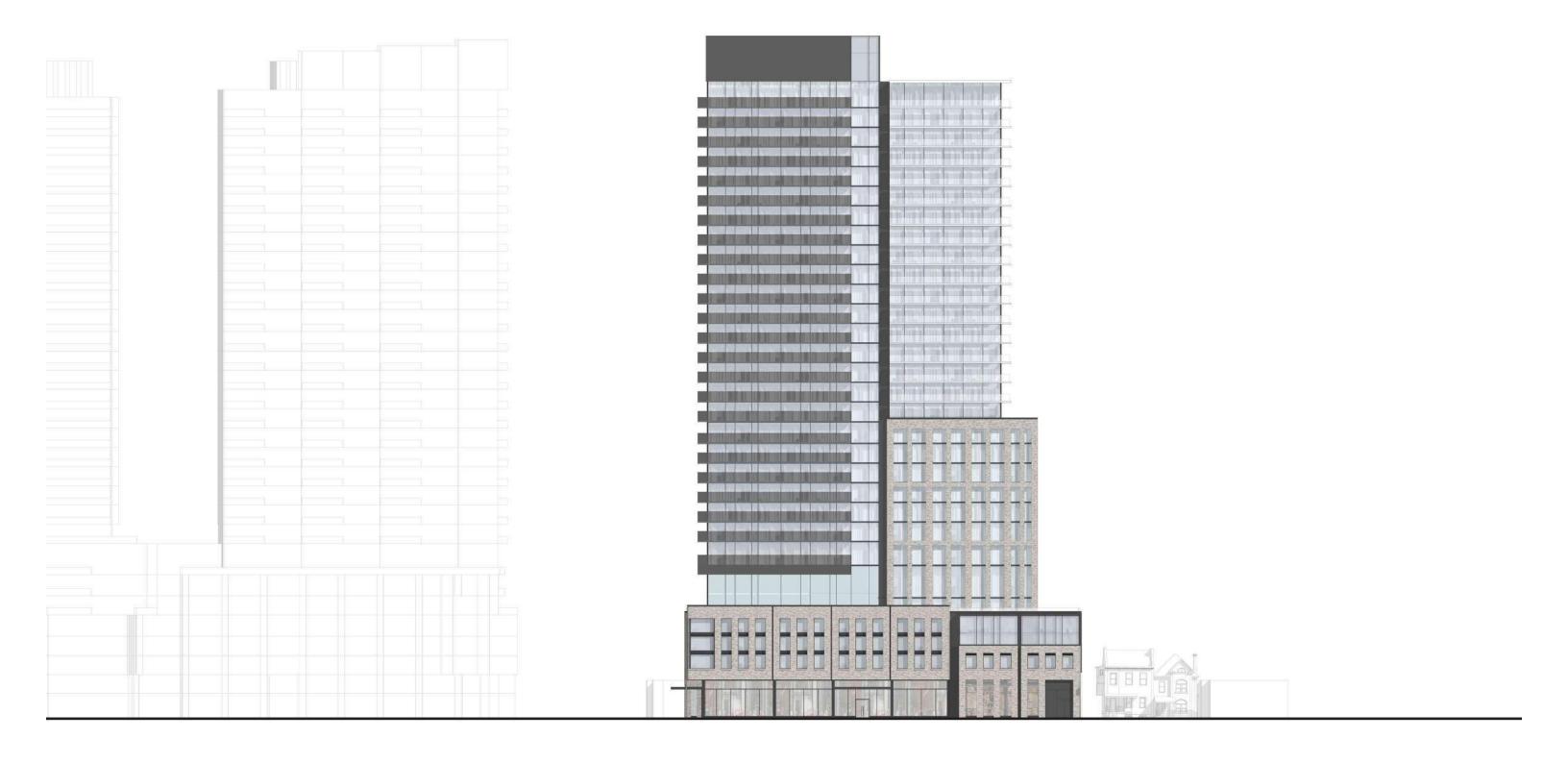


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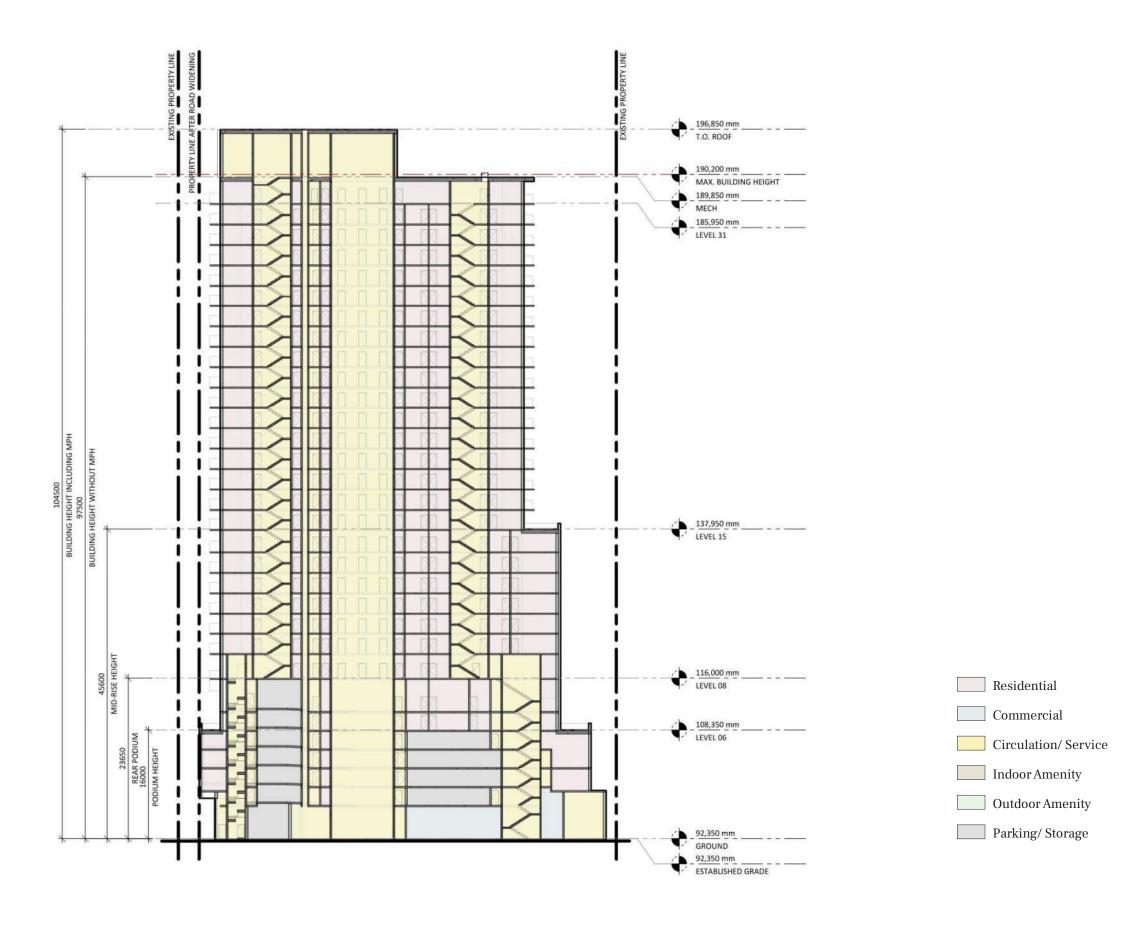


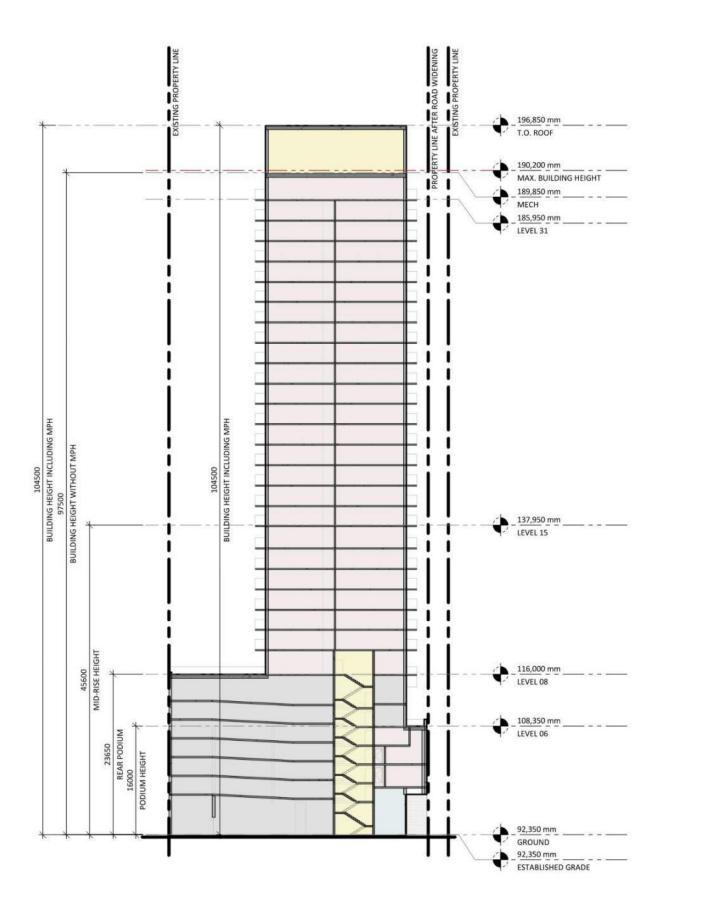
### **Coloured Elevation**



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Residential

Commercial

Circulation/ Service

Indoor Amenity

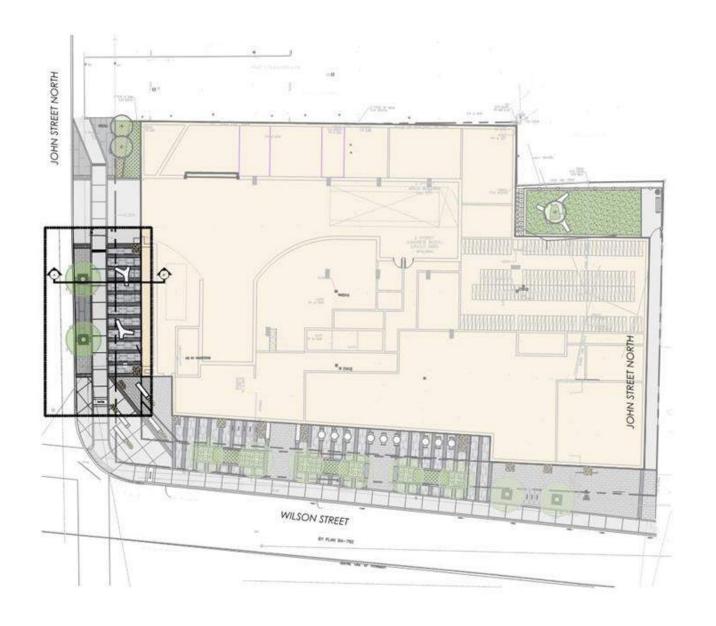
Outdoor Amenity

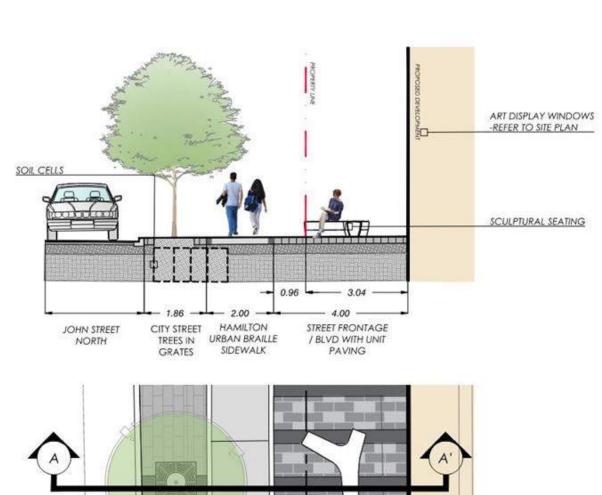
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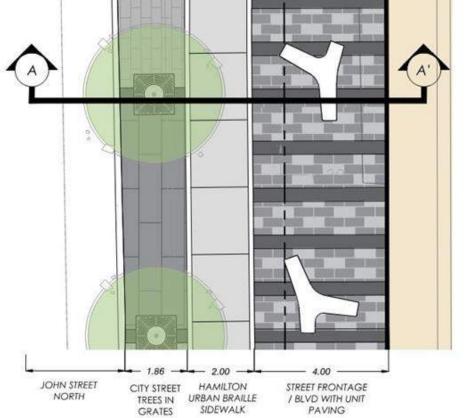
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### **Streetscape Sections**

### Streetscape Frontage A-A': John Street North



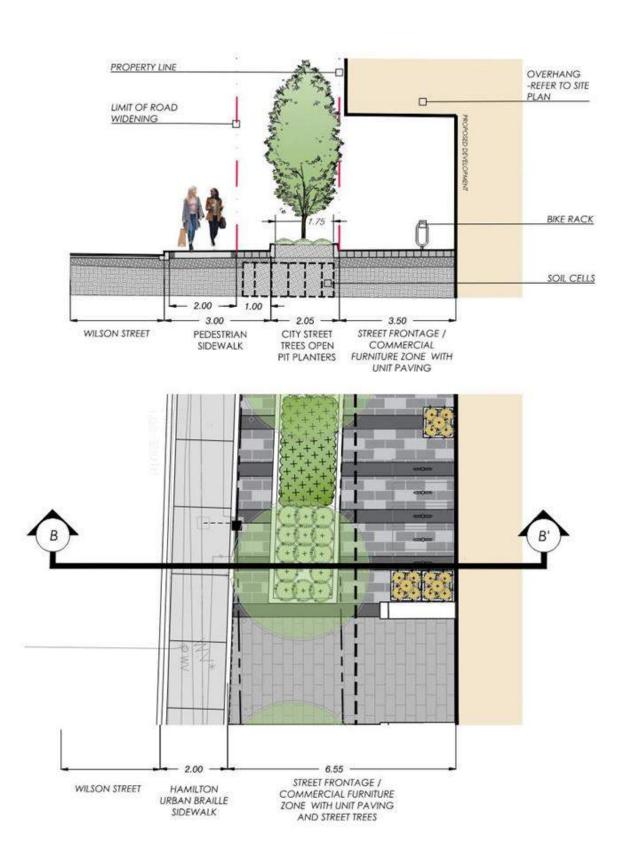




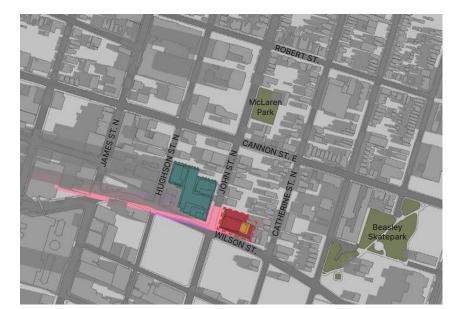
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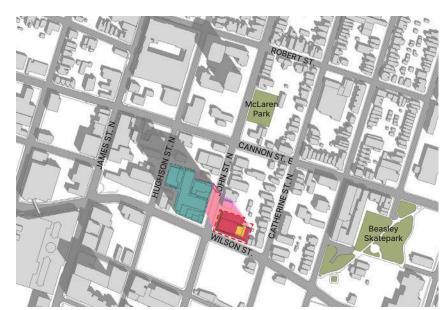




### **Sun Shadow Studies: March 21**



8:48 am. (1.5hr after sunrise)



11:48 am.



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9:48 am.



12:48 am.



Applicant Proposal

Shadow of Applicant Proposal (850 m2 floor plate)

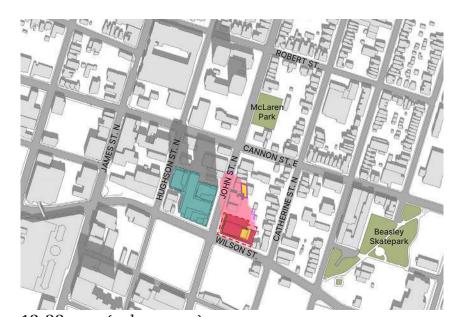
**Existing Massing** 

Shadow of Existing Massing

Parks



10:48 am.



13:23 pm. (solar noon)

- Approved/Not Yet Constructed
- As-of-Right Massing
- Shadow of As-of-Right Massing (750 m2 floor plate)
  \*\*As per City of Hamilton Tall Buildings guideline
- Outline of New Net Shadow

Overlapping Shadow of Proposal and As-of-Right Massing

### **Sun Shadow Studies: March 21**



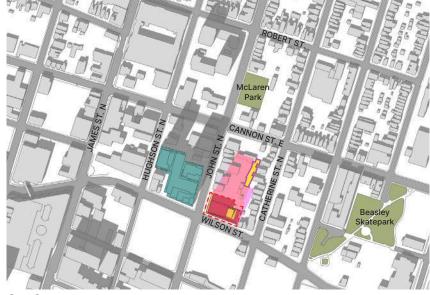
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4:48 pm.



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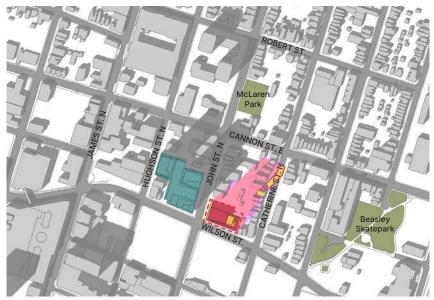


2:48 pm.



5:48 pm.

- Subject Site
- Applicant Proposal
- Shadow of Applicant Proposal (850 m2 floor plate)
- **Existing Massing**
- Shadow of Existing Massing
- Parks



3:48 pm.



5:59 pm. (1.5hr before sunset)

- Approved/Not Yet Constructed
- As-of-Right Massing
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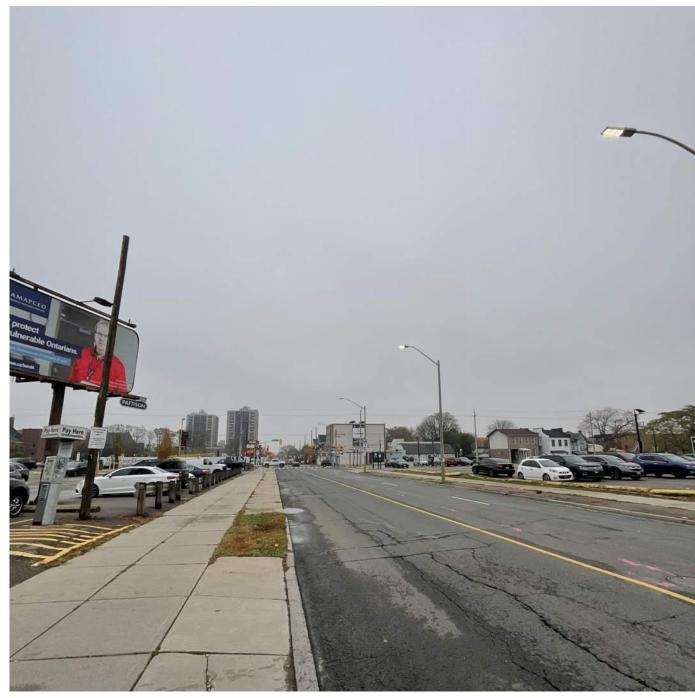
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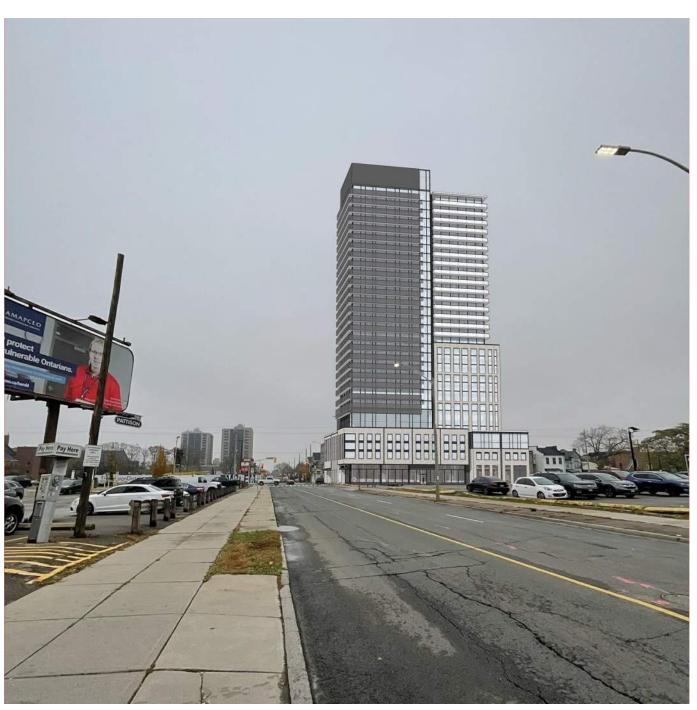




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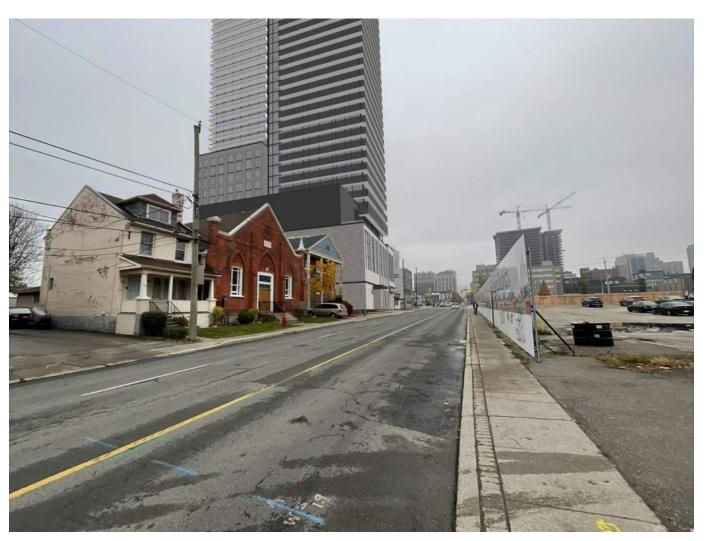


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Urban Design Brief

DESIGN BRIEF

92 John Street North Hamilton, ON



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#### PART 1 - DESCRIPTION AND ANALYSIS

#### 1.1 INTENT OF DOCUMENT

This Design Brief has been prepared on behalf of Emblem Developments as a component of the planning approval process for their subject lands at 92 John Street, located on the North East Corner of John Street N at the intersection of Wilson Street.

The Design Brief provides direction for the implementation of the development vision identified for the subject lands within the Downtown Hamilton Secondary Plan. The brief describes the design principles and objectives that will guide the built form of major structuring elements in the development including the building, streetscape and residential and commercial interface. The brief identifies aspects of the design that will establish the feel of the public realm and set the tone for the balance of the neighbourhood.

Based on the Urban Hamilton Official Plan (UHOP) and the Hamilton Downtown Streetscape Master Plan, the site has been carefully designed with the following urban design principles (Sections B.6.1.8.8 & B.6.1.10 of the Downtown Hamilton Secondary Plan) in mind:

- Create mixed-use developments
- Introduce pedestrian amenities along the length of the street including generous sidewalks, special paving and street trees
- Provide main entrances and windows on the street-facing walls of buildings, with entrances at grade;
- Ensure barrier-free access at grade level in commercial mixed use development
- Locate buildings along the street line, with the heights to be consistent with existing buildings and per the Building Heights map B.6. 1-4.
- Enhance the streetscape and public realm.

These points are further described in Parts 2 & 3 of this brief.

The Design Brief provides landscape and built-form guidelines which address both public and private realm elements to create a pedestrian scaled development and demonstrate how the design of the subject lands complies with the goals of the Vision 2020, the Urban Hamilton Official Plan, the Downtown Hamilton Secondary Plan and the Hamilton Downtown Streetscape Master Plan regarding Wilson Street and John Street North.

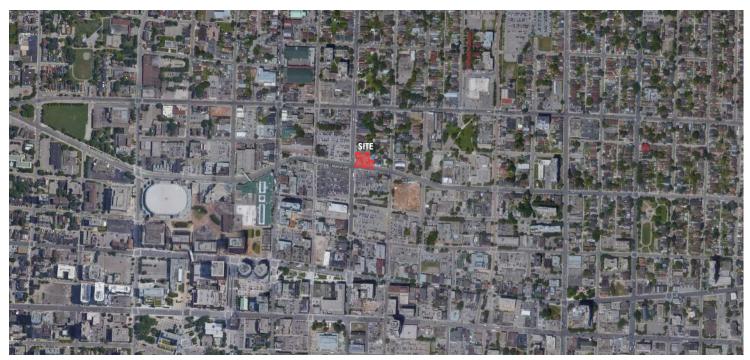


Fig 1. KEY MAP: 92 John Street North

#### 1.2 Site Context

The subject site is located at 92 John Street North, within the Downtown Hamilton area, with frontages on John Street North and Wilson Street. The property consists of approximately 2,653.5m<sup>2</sup> of land and has frontages as follows:

Wilson Street: 61.5m (ultimate), 64.5m (prior to road widening)
John Street North 37.9m (ultimate), 40.6m (prior to road widening)

The property is bounded by:

North: Existing mid rise commercial units, a church, and single family dwellings

East: Low Density residential units

South: Wilson Street

West: John Street North adjacent to the 41 Wilson Development by Emblem

The existing site is currently split between a low-mid rise commercial building (Gary Proctor Bldg.) and a parking lot as well as a Health Centre and Picture framing business. The proposed development will adhere to the Downtown Hamilton Secondary Plan including but not limited to having mixed uses, promoting downtown living (6.1.2 (c)) and enhance street and public spaces (6.1.3.4).

The subject site is surrounded by local streets on two sides; John Street North to the west, and Wilson Street to the south. The site is zoned as the Downtown Residential (D5).

Per the Downtown Residential Zone (D5), and surrounding property's as part of the Central Business District (D1) zone, there are varied uses of the surrounding properties. These include commercial entertainment, office, restaurants and multiple dwelling residential. See the context map and images of surrounding properties and notable sites within a one kilometre radius.

Per the D5 zone, the minimum facade height is 7.5m with the maximum height to be 98m (30 storeys as per the Downtown Hamilton Secondary Plan Building Heights Map B.6 1-2. The directly surrounding existing building heights vary including;

- One to two story residential/commercial buildings to the north.
- Three story Trinity Lutheran Church to the west.
- One to two story Stewart Memorial Church to the north.
- Ground Floor open parking lot south of Wilson Street.

There is no on-street parking along John Street N. and the majority of parking in the area is at grade private pay parking lots. There is currently very little landscaping surrounding the subject site, other than the residential trees in the neighbouring lots. Very few street frontages have street trees or landscaping along the boulevard or street edge.

The existing neighbourhood is a vibrant mixed use area offering a wide range of opportunities for work, dining, entertainment and everyday essential needs within walking distance. The context map on page 4 notes a handful of the surrounding sites within a 0.5m km radius and a 1.0 km radius of the subject site.



Existing site at 92 John St.



Restaurants, retail and Tivoli Theatre



Existing low density residential



James Street North.

Refer to Fig 2. for Context Map



Proposed development at 41 Wilson St.



John - Rebecca Park



Hamilton Light Infantry



Beasley Park



Fig 2. Context Map



Hamilton City Centre



Hamilton Central Library & Farmer's Market



Jackson Square



Art Gallery of Hamilton



Hamilton City Hall



King William St. restaurants/commercial



Tweedsmuir Park



Central Park

#### 2.1 KEY POLICIES & MASTER PLANS

#### 2.1.1 URBAN HAMILTON OFFICIAL PLAN

The development follows the latest Urban Hamilton Official Plan (UHOP) which came into effect on August 16<sup>th</sup>, 2013 and touches on the following key principles of the Official Plan as part of Hamilton's Vision 2020 directions to guide development:

- Encourage a compatible mix of uses in neighbourhoods that provide opportunities to live, work and play. (Direction #1)
- Concentrate new development within existing built-up areas and within a firm urban boundary (Direction #2)
- Design neighbourhoods to improve access to community Life (Direction #4)
- Expand transportation options that encourage travel by foot, bike and transit and enhance efficient interregional transportation connections (Direction #6)

(source: urban Hamilton Official Plan, A2.1)

As stated by the UHOP, quality spaces physically and visually connect the public and private realms. The proposed development adheres to following Urban Design Principles (as per section 3.3.2.4) in its proposed form and program. organizing space in a logical manner through the design, placement, and construction of new buildings, streets,

- a) structures, and landscaping;
- b) recognizing that every new building or structure is part of a greater whole that contributes to the overall appearance and visual cohesiveness of the urban fabric;
- c) using materials that are consistent and compatible with the surrounding context in the design of new buildings;
- d) creating streets as public spaces that are accessible to all;
- e) including transitional areas between the public and private spaces where possible through use of features such as landscaping, planters, porches, canopies, and/or stairs;
- f) creating public spaces that are human-scale, comfortable, and publicly visible with ample building openings and glazing.

The proposal at 92 John Street is compatible with the surrounding mixed uses, as it proposes a building which has comparable materials of muted tones and textures which provides mixed commercial and residential use. The streetscape proposes a comfortable and defined pedestrian zone including hardscapes that adhere to and match the on-site Urban Braille standard. The development is designed to create an active streetfront and improves the public space by adding street trees and furniture. The street tree and furniture zone and additional buffer zone enhance safety by separating pedestrians from vehicular traffic while providing shaded public spaces. Ground level entrances and glazing provide a strong visual and physical connection between the public and private spaces and provide a high level of pedestrian comfort and amenities.

#### 2.1.2 DOWNTOWN HAMILTON SECONDARY PLAN

The applicable designation for the subject property is 'Downtown Residential" on Map B.6 1-1 -Downtown Hamilton Land Use Plan. The proposed development adheres to the following Downtown Hamilton Secondary Plan Principals:

- b) Strengthen the connection to neighbourhoods, the Waterfront, the Escarpment and other surrounding features or attractions. The Downtown shall be reconnected to its neighbourhoods by developing vacant land and parking lots, and by re-balancing Downtown Streets as attractive pedestrian places...
- c.) Promote Downtown living.
- e.) Downtown is healthy and safe.
- h.) The Niagara Escarpment is an essential part of the character and appearance of the City: views to the Escarpment are important assets to protect. ...The Downtown Hamilton Secondary Plan recognizes the importance of the relationship between topography and building height and the impacts on significant views to and of the Niagara Escarpment.

(source: UHOP, Vol 2 B.6.1.2)

The proposed development at 92 John Street adheres to the Vision, Principles and Objectives of the Hamilton Downtown Secondary Plan. The proposed development provides a unique living opportunity in the heart of the City as well as providing a mixed use development with ground floor commercial space. The proposal respects the design and features of the surrounding area.

The proposed development will be compatible with the design of the surrounding buildings and will implement urban design features compatible with its Downtown location. Overall the proposal will create a quality residential development that will enhance Wilson Street and John Street North.

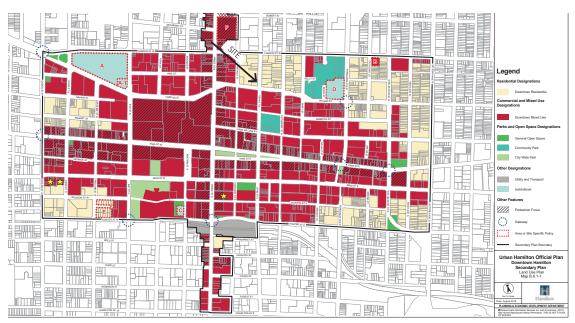


Fig 3. Downtown Hamilton Land Use Plan (source: Urban Hamilton Official Plan, Volume 2, Map B.6.1-1, August 2019



Fig 4. Downtown Hamilton Building Heights Plan (source: Urban Hamilton Official Plan, Volume 2, Map B.6.1-4, August 2019)

#### 2.2 URBAN DESIGN POLICIES & GUIDELINES

#### 2.2.1 SITE PLAN GUIDELINES

The site plan has been guided by Section 6.4 of the City's Site Plan Guidelines, design considerations for multiple unit residential developments.

#### 2.2.2 HAMILTON DOWNTOWN MOBILITY STREET MASTER PLAN

The Downtown Mobility Street Master plan (DMSMP) notes John Street as a Mobility street, a very important pedestrian linkage to open spaces through the downtown area. Wilson Street is noted as a pedestrian priority area. For all streets this includes creating a strong and attractive pedestrian-orientated areas with City of Hamilton standard treatments.

(source: DMSMP Page 3 & 5)

Per the master plan the following principles for movement and pedestrian priority apply to John Street.

- Create an 'Urban' Streetscape Profile
- Create an Organized and Legible Pedestrian Environment
- Incorporate urban Braille at key Pedestrian intersections and within Pedestrian Priority Areas. (source: DMSMP Page 6, Movement & Pedestrian Priority)

#### 2.2.3 CITY OF HAMILTON CO-ORDINATED STREET FURNITURE GUIDELINES

The City of Hamilton Co-ordinated Street Furniture Guidelines was developed to improve the image and identity of the City's streetscape and provide visual coherence contributing to a high quality public realm.

The subject site will adhere to the Street Furniture Guidelines and to the Urban Braille system of tactile markings and pavement types and providing benches and bicycle racks within the street tree/ furniture zone of the streetscape.

The streetscape on John Street North will follow prescribed four pedestrian zone system configuration 1 including a buffer zone, street tree/furniture zone, walkway zone and frontage zone. Wilson Street does not have enough room to provide a boulevard with tree planting. In these cases the City of Hamilton Urban Braille standards will be followed and street trees and furniture provided where space allows.

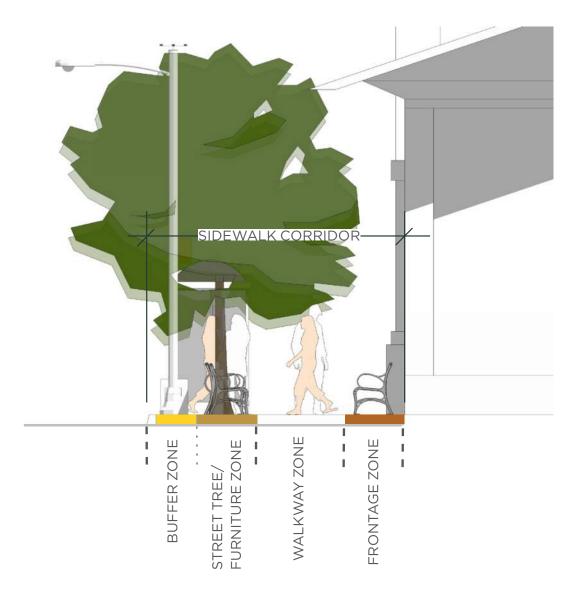


Fig 5. Pedestrian Zone Configuration 1. (source: City of Hamilton Co-Ordinated Street Furniture Guidelines. 2.3

#### **PART 3.0 - SITE DESIGN & ANALYSIS**

The site plan design has been guided by Section 6.4 of the City's Site Plan Guidelines, design consideration for multiple unit residential developments.

The general design goal is to achieve an appropriate mixed use building that:

- Faces the building towards the street
- Respects the ground level pedestrian scale and access
- Provides an enhanced streetscape and public interface.

#### 3.1 SITE DESIGN

The subject site at 92 John Street proposes a single tower, 31 storey mixed use building including 383 residential units and 418m<sup>2</sup> of ground level retail space. There is a total of 24,077m<sup>2</sup> of GFA above grade. The ground floor combines commercial/retail space, parking, back of house rooms and residential lobby. Commercial/retail units face Wilson Street frontages.

The main lobby entrance faces the corner of John Street North and Wilson Street. It features enhanced paving, furniture and planting. John Street North accommodates street trees in a blvd, a standard sidewalk, and pedestrian orientated spaces to accommodate both retail customers and residents. Wilson Street and John Street North allows for a standard sidewalk street side with street trees provided where space allows. Wilson Street also includes enhanced pedestrian spaces adjacent to the building for the retail tenants.

Another highlighting feature incorporated into the overall site design is the daylight triangle strata conveyance. Measuring 4.57m x 4.57m x 6.0m high, the daylight triangle is located on the corner of John and Wilson directly in front of the main lobby. This component ensures the visual safety of both pedestrian and vehicular users at the intersection.

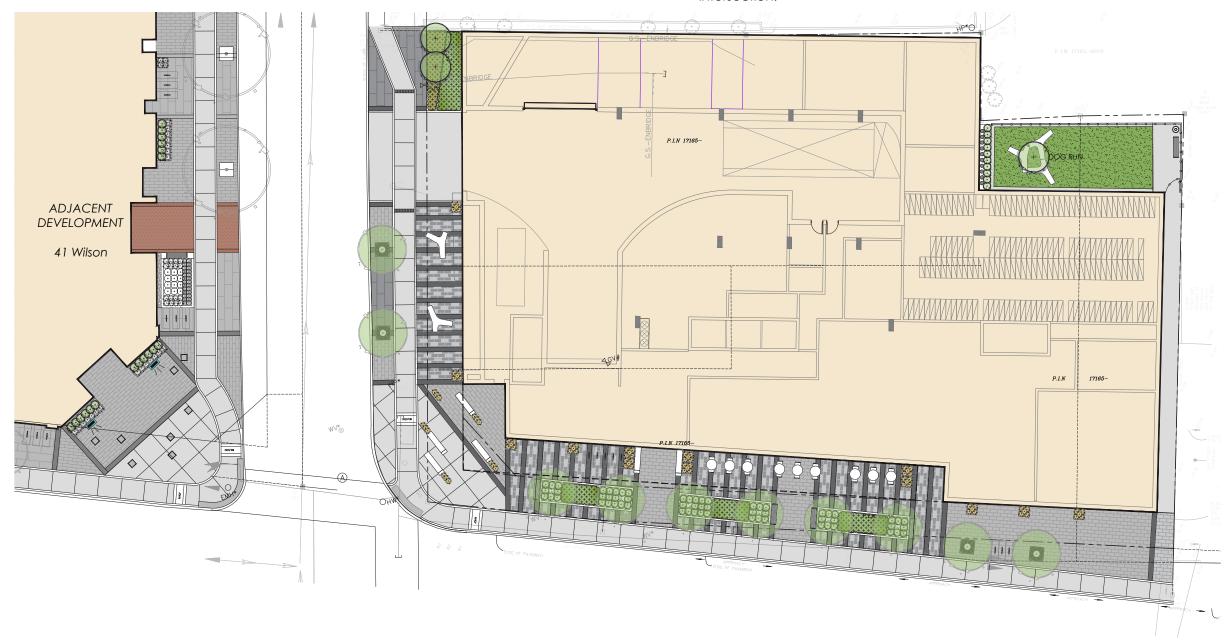


Fig 6. Site Plan

#### 3.2 Architectural Vision and Building Design

The additional land assembly of 81 Wilson provides a unique opportunity to reimagine an appropriate built form for the site. With a combined lot frontage now of 64.5m, a mid rise massing is introduced, providing an appropriate transition from the easterly existing lots to the tower.

In order to address cultural heritage comments of lowering the podium to contextualize with the adjacent buildings, a 5 storey/16m tall podium expression that wraps both on Wilson St and John St. N is proposed. This is substantially lower than the 22.0m podium height allowable on Wilson. It is important to ensure there is a careful balance of being mindful of the existing context and the possibility of a future development east of the site. The remainder of the block, should it be developed, is not big enough to be a tower form it would be a mid rise, presumably with a 3-5 storey podium and 8-10 storeys total height. The massing proposal is sensitive to both the existing and potential future contexts.

The 14 storey midrise portion is set back 8.1m from the eastern property line, while the tower is set back 13.5m from the eastern and 14.3m from the north property lines, both of which exceed typical setbacks for mid rise and tower design guidelines. The tower massing is broken up by a strong vertical reveal, and combined with a change in massing, setbacks, balcony treatment, exterior cladding; they reinforce a visual perception of a collection of smaller towers instead of one large one.

The Ground floor area facing Wilson is comprised of retail and residential entries. Levels 2-5 contain residential units facing Wilson and a portion of John Street as well. The tower is broken up into three sections: a major vertical element at the corner, a mid rise segment to the east and a smaller tower situated on top.

The treatment and application of balconies vary with each section. A darker balcony expression and location of the Mechanical Penthouse is proposed at the major vertical element to visually reinforce the corner. The mid rise section introduces a rationalized grid pattern, mediating a visual transition from the solid masonry base to the window wall tower above. The smaller tower proposed a lighter balcony expression, differentiating this volume from the boldness of the corner.

Given that this is a corner site, we have elected to consider the John Street North face as the front lot line; however, a traditional 7.5m rear yard setback would not be appropriate on Wilson Street as it would leave too wide of a gap. Understanding that the rationale for the rear yard setback is to mitigate any built form directly against another neighbour's backyard, the following has been provided:



- Proposed massing of 3-storeys at the north and corner inset property lines (technical requirement to provide sufficient parking ramp length)
- At the same corner, levels 4-7 will be setback 3.7m from the east inset property line
- Proposed 6.3m setback from the north inset property line
- Proposed 1.5m setback from the east property line for levels 1-5, above which is an 8.1m setback for the mid-rise form







Fig 8. Building Renderings

Fig 7. Building Renderings: North and East Edge

#### 3.3 Landscape Design and Vision



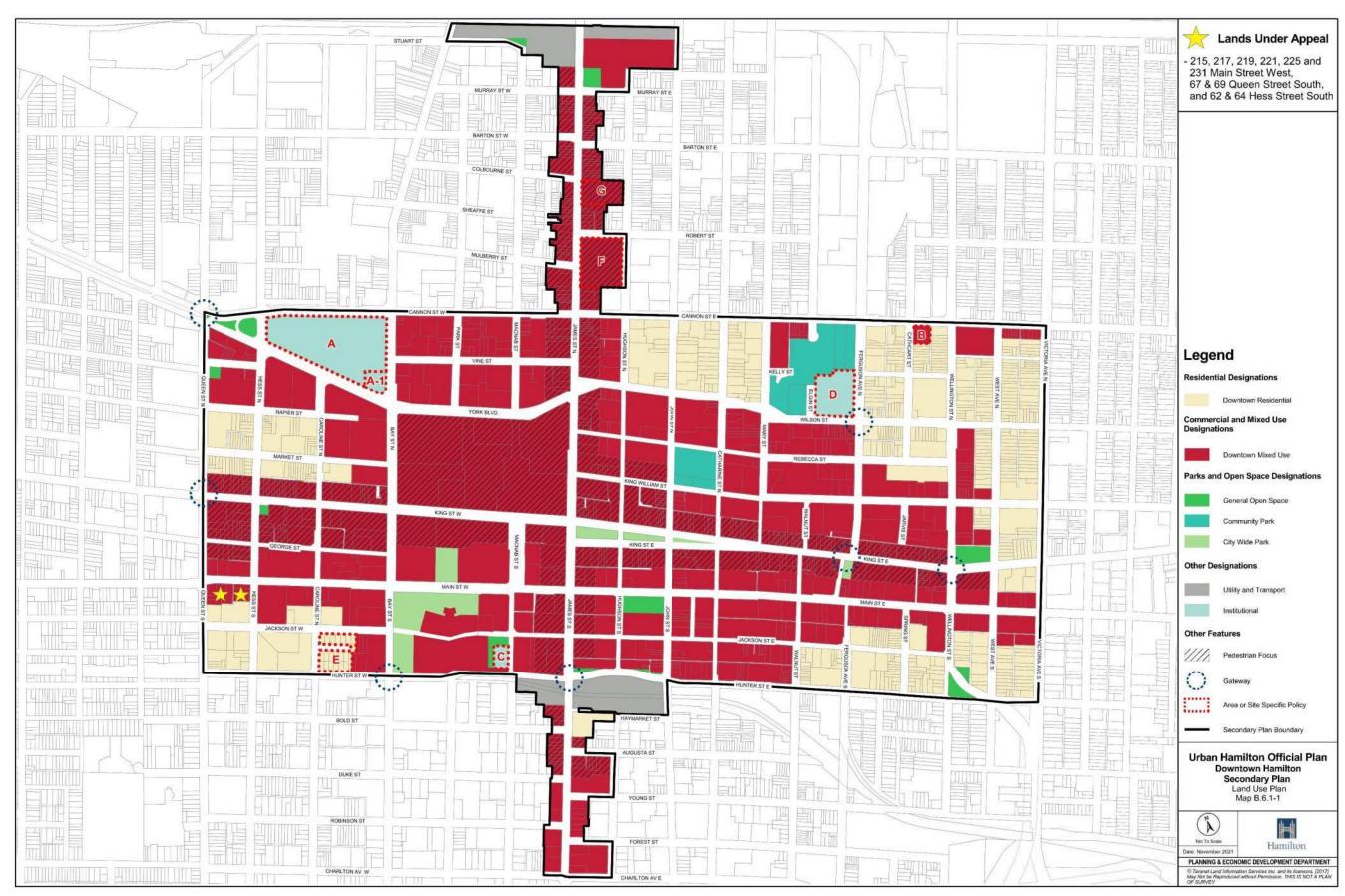
The streetscape design for the proposed site aims to define the John Street North gateway into the downtown. The design combines street trees and planting, unique feature paving patterns and sculptural seating, reflective of the linear architectural form of the building, to create a visually interesting and pedestrian forward design.

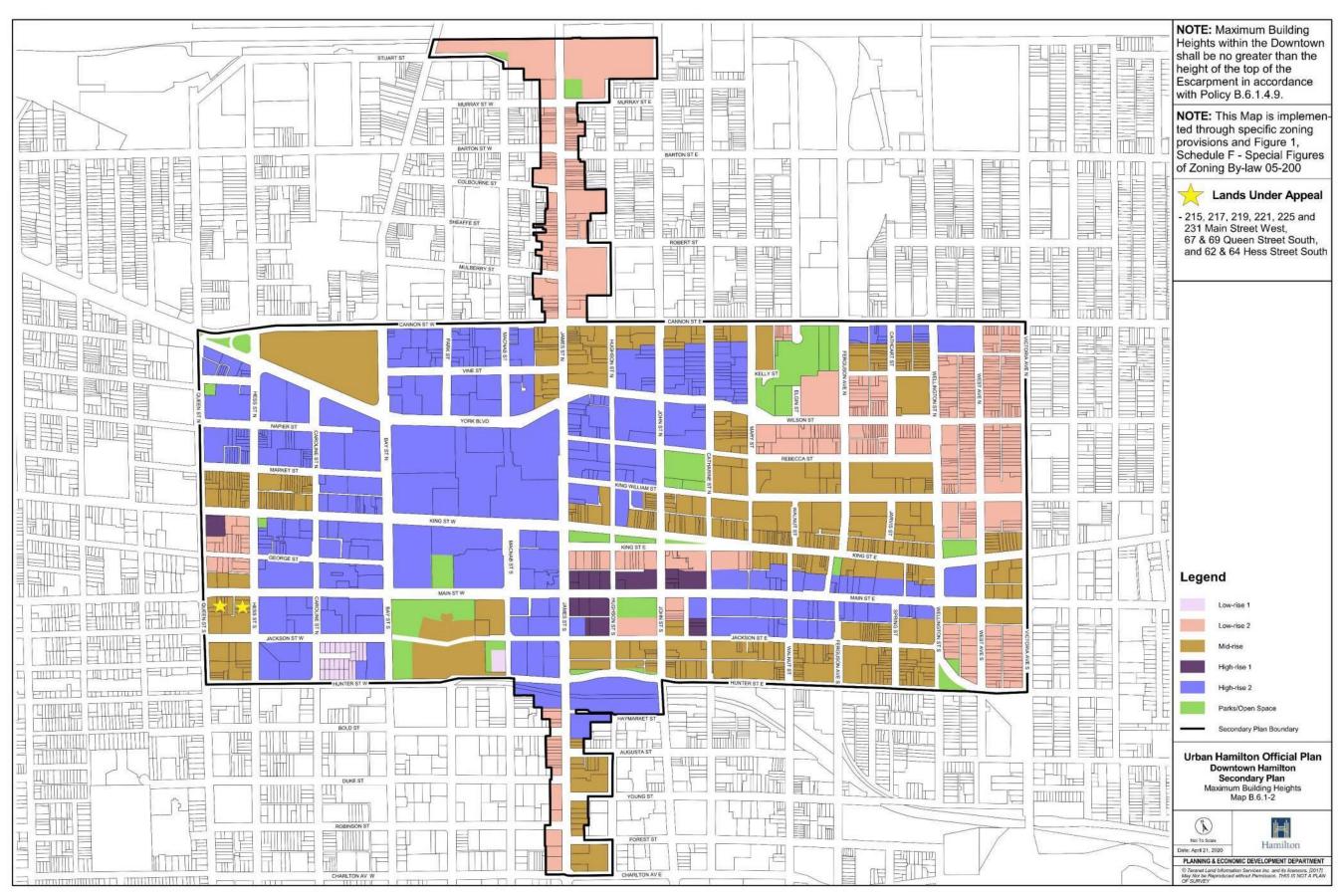


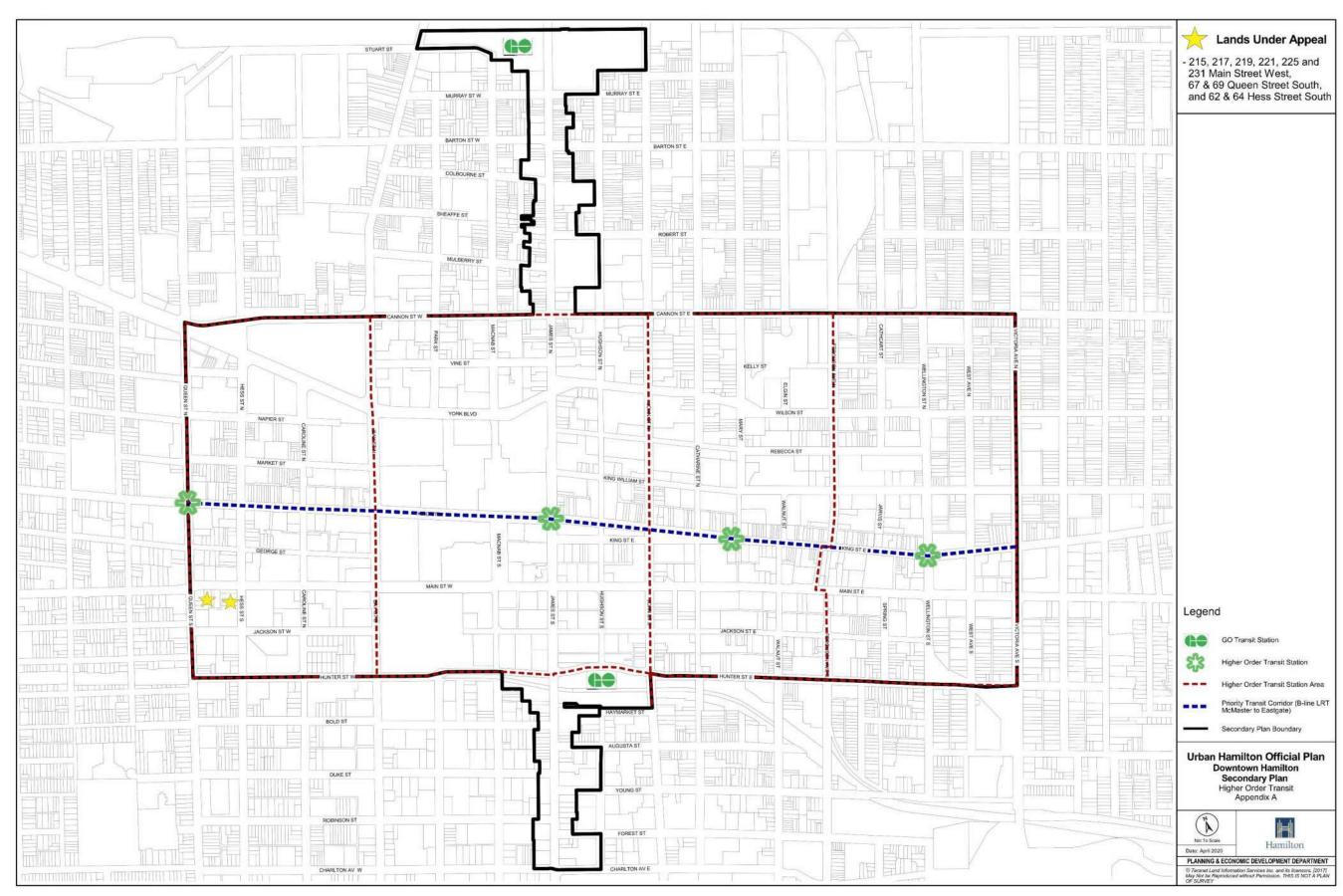


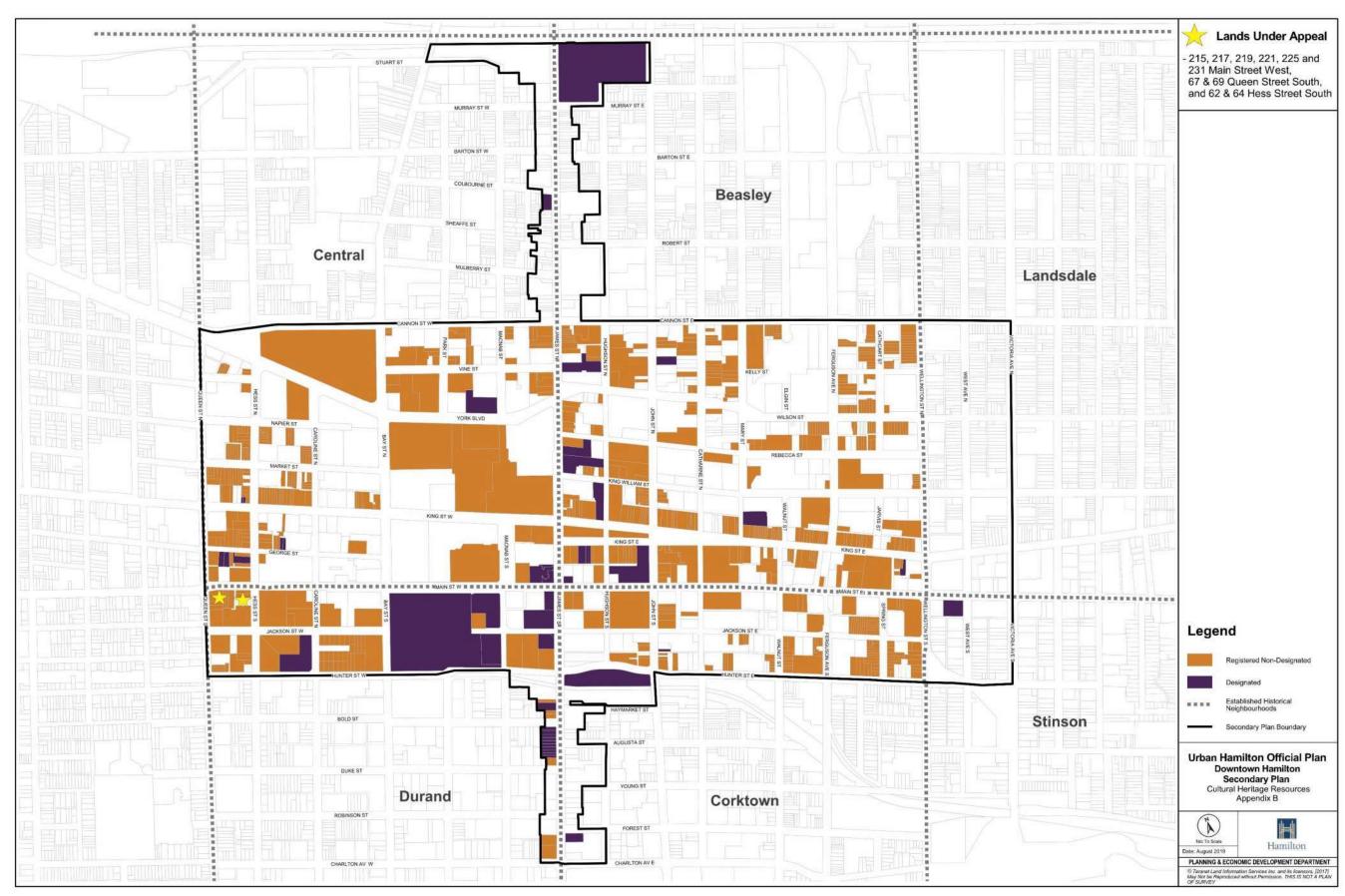


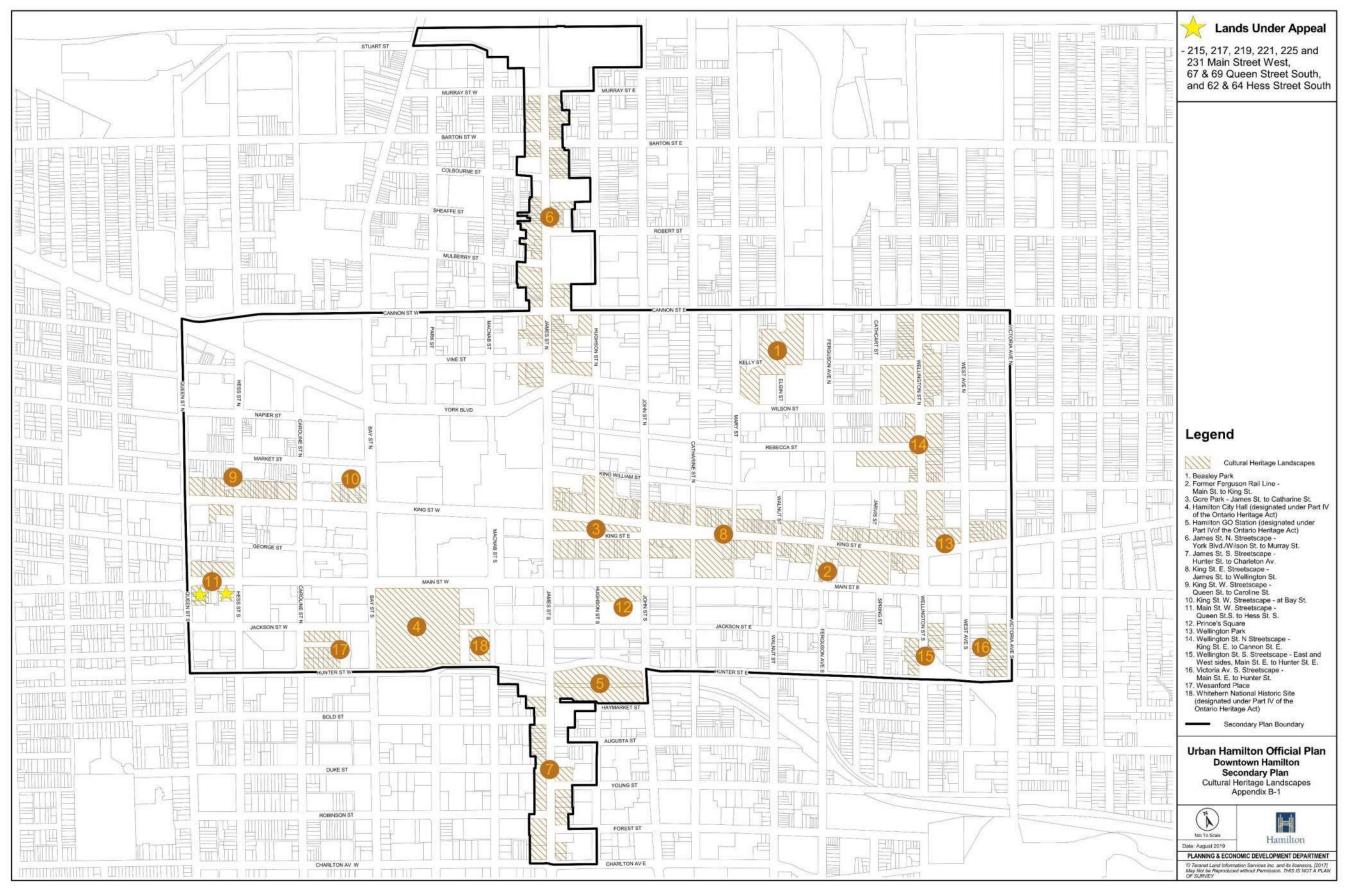


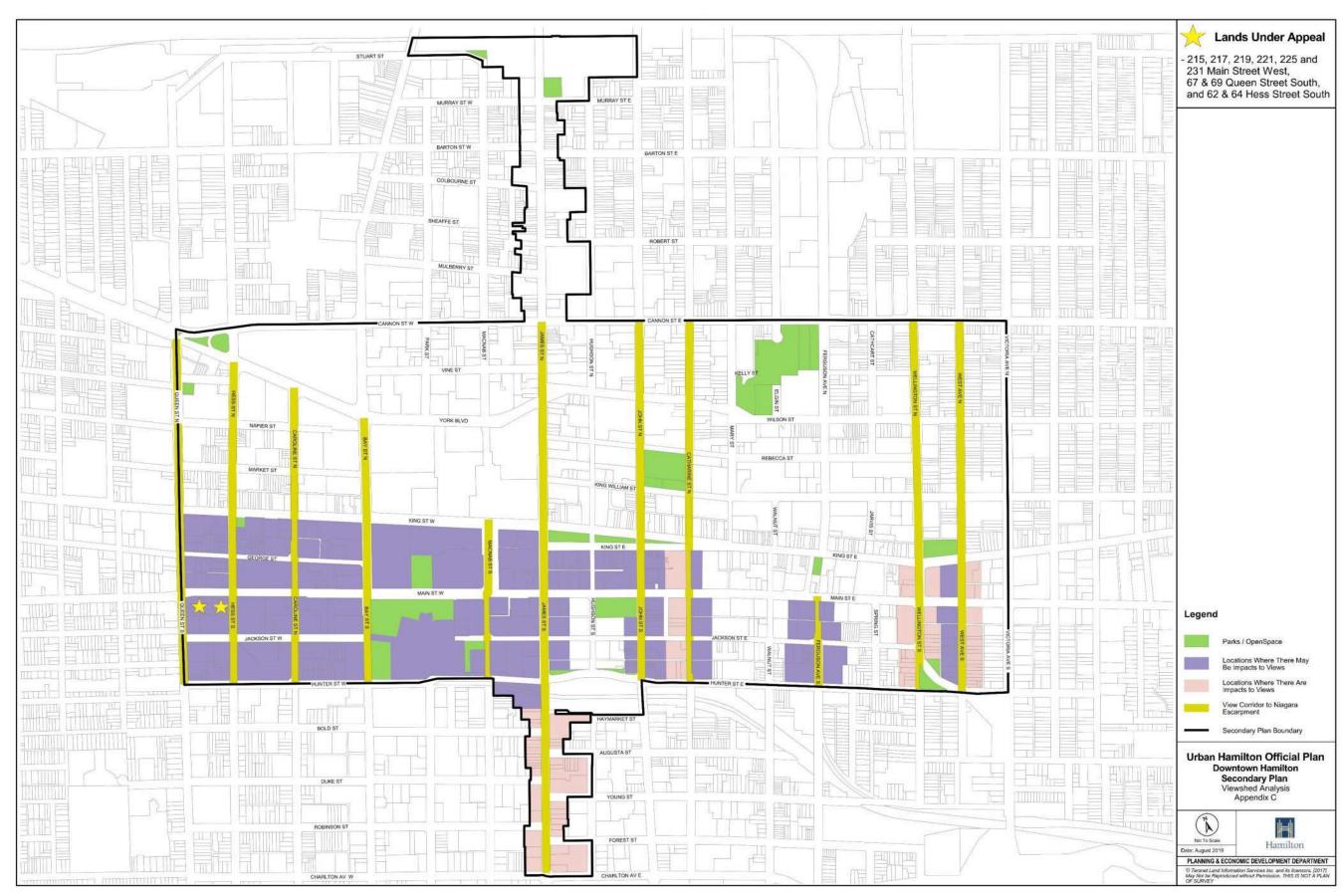






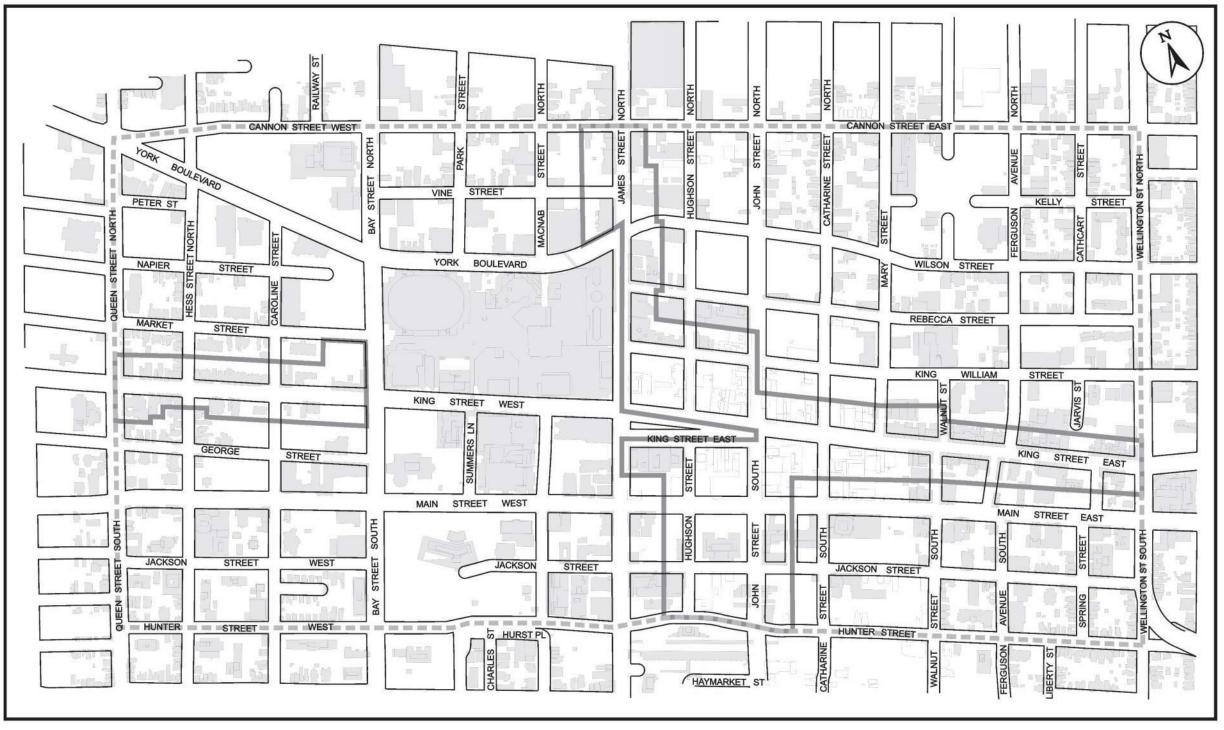






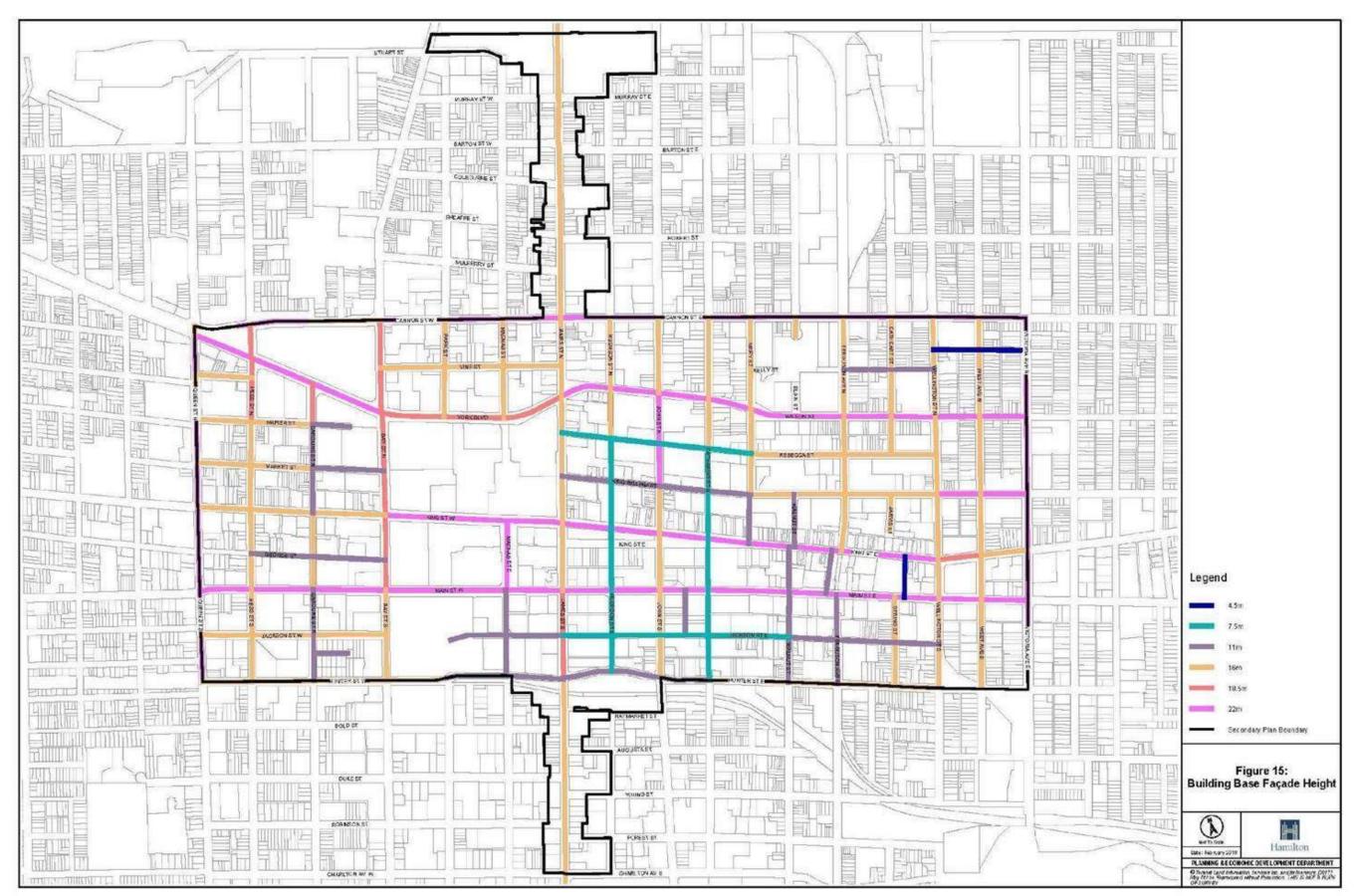








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### **Wind Report**



March 7, 2023

Hamilton III GP Inc. c/o Hamilton III LP 77 King Street West, Suite 4230

Toronto, ON M5K1E7

Attn: Ryan Millar

rmillar@Emblemdevcorp.com

Dear Mr. Millar:

Re: Pedestrian Level Wind Study – Opinion Letter

92-100 John Street and 61-81 Wilson Street, Hamilton

Gradient Wind File 22-287

This letter confirms that Gradient Wind Engineering Inc. (Gradient Wind) has been retained to perform a pedestrian level wind (PLW) study to satisfy Site Plan Application requirements as per the City's provided Terms of Reference for the proposed development located at 92-100 John Street and 61-81 Wilson Street in Hamilton, Ontario.

The detailed PLW study will assess pedestrian wind conditions within and surrounding the subject site. Specifically, the PLW study will involve wind tunnel measurements of pedestrian wind speeds using a physical scale model, combined with meteorological data integration, to assess pedestrian wind comfort at grade and over common elevated amenity terraces of the study building. The study will assess both existing and future conditions (i.e., with and without the proposed development present). The results of the PLW study will be summarized in a technical report. In the interim, the following paragraphs provide a high-level opinion of the anticipated pedestrian wind conditions for the site based on knowledge of wind flows in an urban environment and previous wind tunnel studies of high-rise developments in Hamilton.

The proposed development, at the northeast corner of the intersection of John Street North and Wilson Street, comprises a rectangular 31-storey tower including a stepped five-storey podium and a 14-storey mid-rise portion on the east side. The ground floor contains retail space and an entrance lobby along the south elevation, with a loading area and parkade ramp along the west elevation from John Street North. Levels 2 through 5 provide parking and storage areas to the north and residential units to the south with

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a northeast corner setback at Level 4. A setback from the east, south, and west at Level 6 provides a wraparound outdoor amenity space, while another setback from the north at Level 8 provides additional terrace space. Levels 8 to 31 contain residential occupancy and rise with a uniform offset rectangular floorplate, except for a setback on the east portion of the tower at Level 15. The tower is topped by a mechanical penthouse.

For prominent westerly / southwesterly wind directions, the immediate upwind exposure is primarily surface parking, followed by the downtown Hamilton core. The built-up massing of the downtown area will tend to reduce grade-level winds at approaching the study site. Higher-level winds will approach the study building with less upwind resistance, although downwashing flows will be mitigated by the podium setback at Level 6. The recessed ground floor along the south elevation will also benefit pedestrian wind comfort, providing shelter from any downwash flows. Accelerated wind flows along the John Street North corridor, between the study building and future 41 Wilson Street building to the west, may result in periodic windier conditions more suitable for walking along sidewalk areas, which is nevertheless considered acceptable.

Regarding the Level 6 amenity terrace, the majority of the space is expected to be comfortable for sitting during the summer months without the need for mitigation. Along the west side of the building, the terrace may benefit from typical mitigation measures, including vertical wind screening and/or overhead protection (e.g. canopies, pergolas). For the Level 8 terrace, The eastern portion is expected to be comfortable for sitting, while windier conditions are expected over the western segment. Similarly, from vertical wind screening and/or overhead protection may be required. The need for and extent of such mitigation will be confirmed as part of the forthcoming detailed PLW study.

Please advise the undersigned of any questions or comments.

Sincerely,

**Gradient Wind Engineering Inc.** 

Andrew Sliasas, M.A.Sc., P.Eng., Principal

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February 27, 2023

City of Hamilton Growth Management Division City Hall, 71 Main Street W., 6<sup>th</sup> Floor Hamilton, ON L8P 4Y5

attn: Monir Moniruzzaman, P.Eng

Re: 92-100 John Street & 61-81 Wilson Street – Functional Servicing Memo

City of Hamilton

A.J. Clarke and Associates Ltd. (AJC) have been retained by Emblem Property Development Inc. to prepare a *Functional Servicing Memo* in support of the proposed re-development of 92-100 John Street and 61-81 Wilson Street in the City of Hamilton for your consideration and approval.

This brief will investigate the existing services located along the frontage of the development to provide sufficient sanitary, water and stormwater quantity and quality control to meet the City criteria for the redevelopment Plan.

A copy of the Site Plan for the project, prepared by Architect Studio JCI, is attached in **Appendix**  $\Delta$ 

### 1. General

The proposed re-development site consists of a thirty-one-storey tower with a two-storey base with commercial units on the first floor and 383 residential units above. This development is bound by John Street North to the west, Catherine Street North to the east and Wilson Street to the south. The proposed site is comprised of 0.235 ha. It is described as Lots 1, and part of Lot 2 fronting John Street and Lot 3 fronting Wilson Street North, all bounded by Wilson, John, Cannon and Catherine Streets (Nathaniel Hughson Survey). The location is depicted in **Figure 1**.

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Figure 1 - Site Location Plan

There are two 2-storey, one 3-storey, and one 1-storey residential and commercial buildings currently built on the property. The existing garage and paved parking area cover the rest of the property. The topography is characterized as having a gradual slope draining towards John Street to the west and Wilson Street to the south. The drainage area is almost equally split between John and Wilson Street North.

The proposed site plan for this development is contained within **Appendix A** for reference. The objective of this report is to illustrate how the proposed development can be serviced for water, sanitary and stormwater using existing infrastructure and to make recommendations on the requirements of stormwater management.

### 2. Existing Services

The subject lands are fully developed and there is existing mainline infrastructure on John Street North and Wilson Street that service the existing buildings and area.

The following services exists on John Street North:

- 200mm watermain.
- · 450mm combined sewer for sanitary connection draining northerly.
- 1220mm x 1334mm storm sewer draining northerly.



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The following services exists on Wilson Street:

- 450mm watermain.
- 300mm combined sewer for sanitary connection draining easterly.

Currently, 61-81 Wilson Street is being serviced by the infrastructure on Wilson Street and 92-100 John Street are being serviced by the infrastructure on John Street.

The proposed redevelopment is designed to be serviced by the existing John Street North services.

#### 3. Watermain

The existing 200mm watermain on John Street North will be utilized for this site.

There is an existing municipal watermain along John Street North which will be used to service the subject site. Details of the proposed watermain layout are shown on the Preliminary Plan of Services contained within **Appendix A**. It should be noted that the proposed watermain connections are 200mm in diameter.

Hydrant testing was recently completed by L & D Waterworks on the hydrant nearest the site (114 John Street North) was completed on April 20, 2021 and yielded a theoretical flow available at 20 psi of 6553 igpm (~496 L/s). These results would suggest adequate capacity in the existing system to service this development. These results have been included in **Appendix C** for reference.

The site can be serviced for water in accordance with the requirements of the City of Hamilton based on connections to the existing municipal watermains adjacent to the site.

### 4. Sanitary Sewers

The residential dwellings along with the commercial building will be serviced for sanitary flows through an existing 450mm combined sewer on John Street North. The proposed 250mm sanitary lateral will connect to the combined sewer system. Below shows the wastewater assessment from the site based on preliminary site information provided by the Architect.

### Wastewater Assessment:

Apartments, Condominiums, Other Multi-family Dwellings - per person = 275 volume, L/d

From section 3.1.17.1 'Occupant Load Determination' clause (b), "two persons per sleeping room or sleeping area in a dwelling unit or suite",



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81 studio and one bedroom units = 162 people 190 one bedroom + den = 760 people 12 two bedroom units = 48 people 91 two bedroom + den = 546 people 9 three bedroom units = 54 people Total = 1570 people

### = 431,750 litres/day = 5.0 L/s (0.005m<sup>3</sup>/s)

Converting this population to a density, and given the site area of 0.235 ha, a population density of 6682 pp/ha has been assigned for the development. Through discussions with City staff a peaking factor of 2 was to be used for this development. Based on the population per area hectares and a peaking factor of 2, the sanitary design flow from the site was calculated to be 13.22 L/s (0.013m³/s). The sanitary sewer design sheet is contained within **Appendix C** for reference.

#### 5. Stormwater Assessment

Recent topographic survey of the subject lands is contained within **Appendix A**; completed by A.J. Clarke and Associates Ltd. signed November 24, 2022. The topography of the existing site is characterized as having gradual slopes draining outwards towards John Street North and Wilson Street. The site is almost entirely impervious in the pre-development conditions. As mentioned above the drainage area is split for the site fronting John Street North and Wilson Street. However, under proposed conditions most of the site will drain towards John Street North. As such, the 2-year pre-development rate was determined using the drainage areas directed to John Street North and ultimately the allotted capacity to this mainline sewer. Pre-development drainage rates for John Street North was calculated using MIDUSS v2 – the results can be seen in **Table 1** below; as well, output files for this analysis can be found in **Appendix B**. The Chicago 3-hour storm with Mount Hope IDF parameters was used for analysis and the results of these simulations are contained below. The model has been run for a 2-year storm event.

Table 1: Pre- Development Hydrologic Simulation Summary - John Street North

Return Period (year)	2
Peak Flow Rate (m³/s)	0.021

Under the proposed conditions, the site will be entirely impervious, thus keeping the post-development condition the same as the pre-development condition. A 1220 x 1334mm storm overflow sewer within John Street North can be used to service the site for storm connection. Although the percent imperviousness for the drainage areas will not change from pre to post development conditions, the site is located within the combined sewershed and therefore



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quantity control is required to control the post development peak flows for the 100-year post development event to the 2-year pre-development flow rate less the anticipated increase in sanitary flows prior to discharging from the site.

The Preliminary Plan of Services, in **Appendix A**, shows the existing storm sewers along the frontage of the site and the proposed connection for the development.

Underground storage has been proposed on site in the form of a cistern within the building foundation beneath the ramp on northwest corner of the site. Orifice control will be used in the form of 60mm orifice plate and will be placed at the downstream outlet of cistern, to provide the required stormwater quantity control. The storm event under proposed conditions has been modeled in MIDUSSv2\_ to estimate the required storage to achieve 2 year pre-development peak flow rates less the anticipated increase in sanitary flows as a target outflow during a 100-year storm event, in the post-development condition. The Chicago 3-hour storm with Mount Hope IDF parameters for a 100-year storm event was used for analysis and the results of these simulations are contained in Table 2, below. The MIDUSSv2\_results are attached in Appendix B.

Table 2: Post- Development Hydrologic Simulation Summary – John Street North

Inflow to Storage (m³/s)	Outflow from Storage (m³/s)	Target Flow (m³/s)	Required Underground storage (m³)	Orifice diam. (mm)
0.112	0.008	0.008	140	60

Per the Sanitary Design Calculation Sheet (**Appendix C**) and Wastewater Assessment, the anticipated sanitary flows for the site equals 13.22 L/s (0.013 m³/s) outletting to John Street North. This has been determined using a population based off the Architectural unit counts in the tower as well as a peaking factor of 2. The target rate was then determined to be 0.008 m³/s. This was determined by subtracting the post development sanitary flows from the 2-year pre-development target rate for each catchment area.

Pre-dev  $(0.021 \text{ m}^3/\text{s})$  – post-dev. san. flows  $(0.013 \text{ m}^3/\text{s})$  = 0.008 m³/s as a Target Rate.

For the tower outletting to John Street North, proposing a 60mm outlet control orifice will restrict the flows to 0.008m<sup>3</sup>/s and in combination with the anticipated sanitary flows does not exceed the total allowable release rate of 0.021m<sup>3</sup>/s. A storage requirement of 140 m<sup>3</sup> will be required on site which will be provided by the noted Cistern.

Minor storm flows will be captured by roof drainage prior to outletting to the above cistern within the building and ultimately to the existing 1220 x 1334mm storm overflow sewer within



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John Street North. A storm sewer design calculation sheet for the proposed underground network has been attached in **Appendix C**.

Prior to discharging of post-development storm run-off from the site into the existing system, quality control is required in order to comply with the Hamilton Conservation Authority's requirements. The suitably sized quality control techniques in this area shall be capable of providing 'Enhanced' or Level 1 treatment, i.e. minimum 80% TSS removal and 90% run-off volume treatment. However, all stormwater runoff on site besides a small area that drain towards Wilson Street will be collected through roof drainage resulting in no quality control measure being required as there is no opportunity for contamination to enter the system.

### 6. Erosion and Sediment Control Procedures

Siltation from surface runoff from the site can be prevented with the use of silt fences, placed along the boundaries, where runoff will accumulate. Other localized areas may also require sedimentation control fencing; which would be determined at the construction stage. It will also be necessary to prevent silt from entering the storm sewer system via street catch basins. A silt sack or equivalent can be inserted under the grate of each street catch basin.

In order to reduce the amount of sediment reaching the street, it is suggested that the grade at the property line be left approximately 200mm below the top of the curb until such time as ground cover is about to be established. This will aid in the settlement of sediment, thus reducing sediment flow to the streets. Should building activity over the entire site not commence soon after the underground servicing and the roadworks are complete, arrangements should be made to temporarily seed those areas not covered with vegetation.

Regular monitoring of the site controls and periodic maintenance will be required to ensure that the erosion and sediment controls remain effective. All practices shall be in accordance with the "Erosion and Sediment Control Guidelines for Urban Construction", GGHA CAs, December 2006.

### 7. Recommendations and Conclusions

The recommendations and conclusions of this report concerning the ability to service this development for storm, sanitary and water are as follows:

- Grading will be carried out in accordance with the City of Hamilton engineering design standards.
- b. A 450mm combined sewer and a 1220 x 1343mm storm overflow sewer within John Street North exist with the capacity to service the proposed development's stormwater and sanitary flow. Stormwater management will be required to control 100-year postdevelopment peak flows to match 2-year pre-development conditions less the anticipated



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increase in sanitary flows for each catchment area. The required stormwater quantity control can be provided by the cistern storage unit; with orifice plate size proposed on the cistern outlet. Cistern storage was proposed due to constraints with insufficient subsurface space. Quality control will not be required on site as there are no opportunities for contamination to enter the system from the proposed building footprints.

- c. An existing 200mm watermain exists within John Street North to service the development. Hydrant flow testing was recently completed yielding sufficient flow within the system to provide both domestic and fire flow requirements.
- d. Erosion and sediment control measures are proposed to ensure that the amount of silt eroded from the subject development during rainfall events is kept to a minimum.

All of which is respectfully submitted.



Brad Clarke, P.Eng.

**APPENDICES:** 

Appendix A:

Site Plan A1.01 by Studio JCI.

A. J. Clarke and Associates Ltd. Drawings:

**Topographic Survey** 

AJC Drawing 228252 Sheets 1: Preliminary Plan of Services

Appendix B:

MIDUSS v2 Output Files

Appendix C:

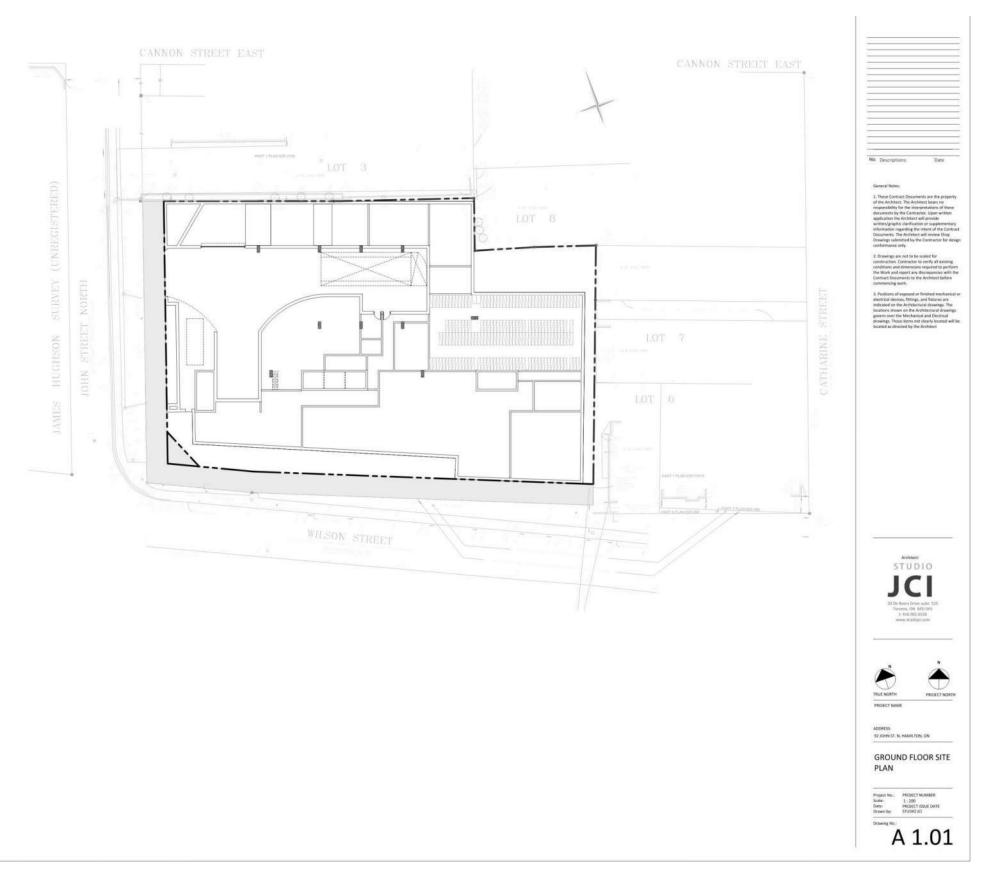
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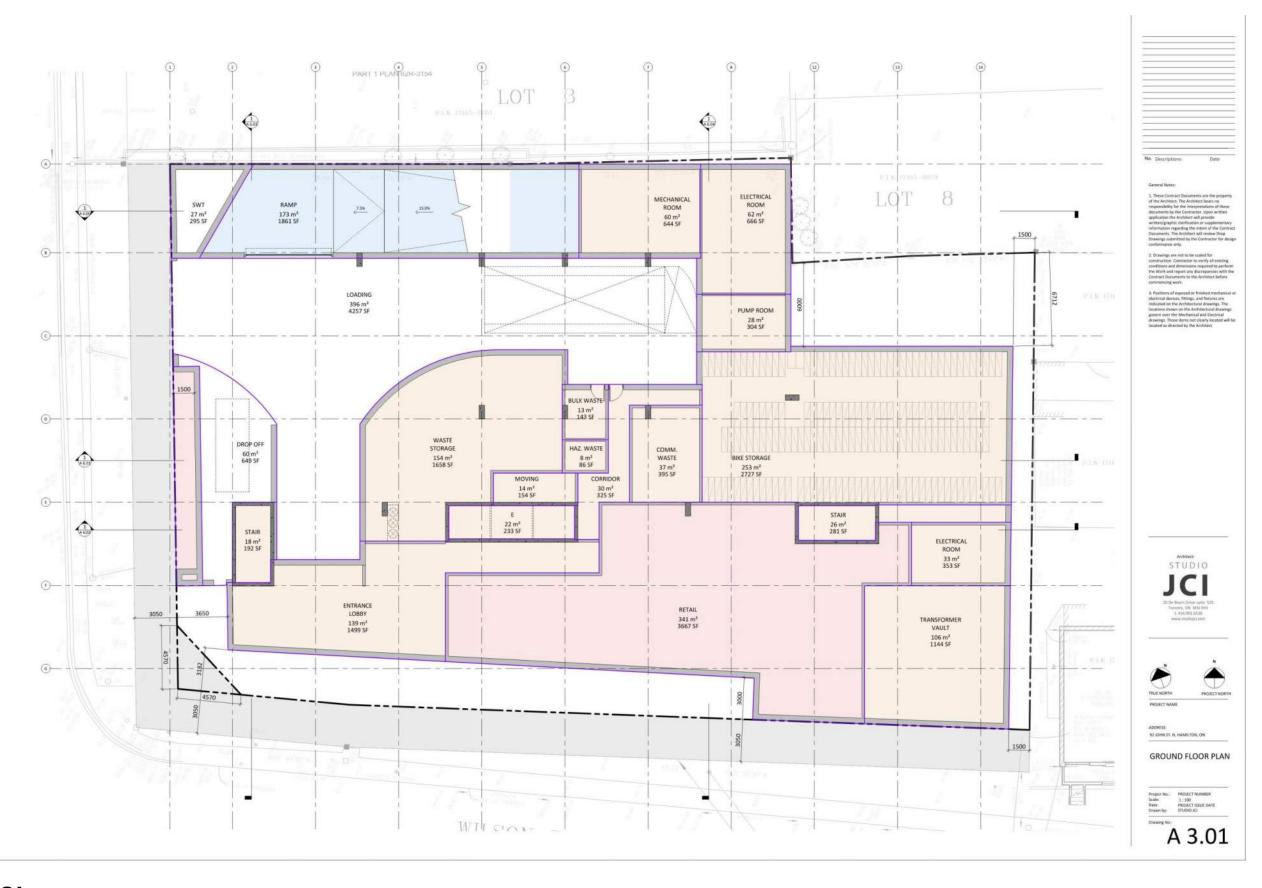
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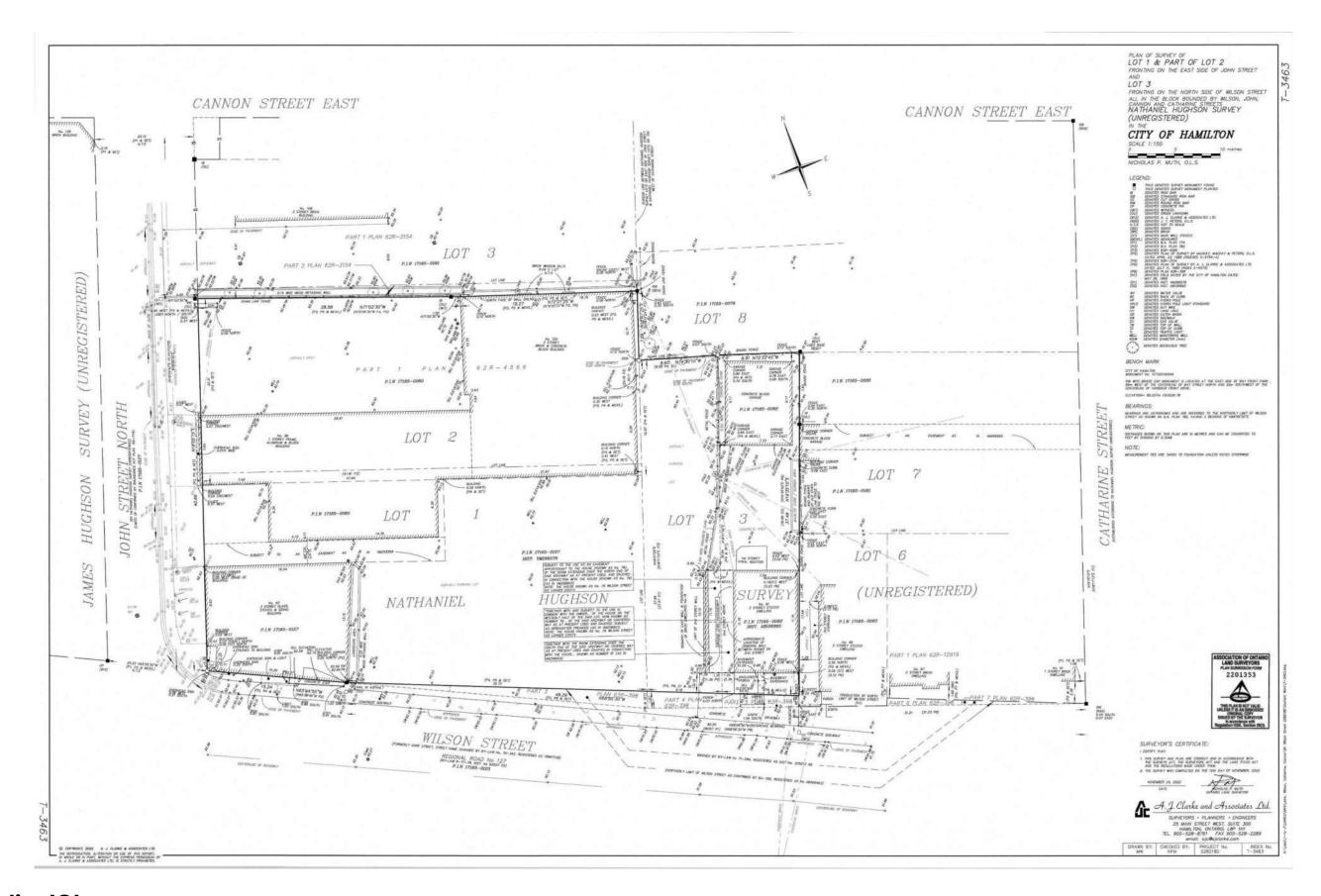
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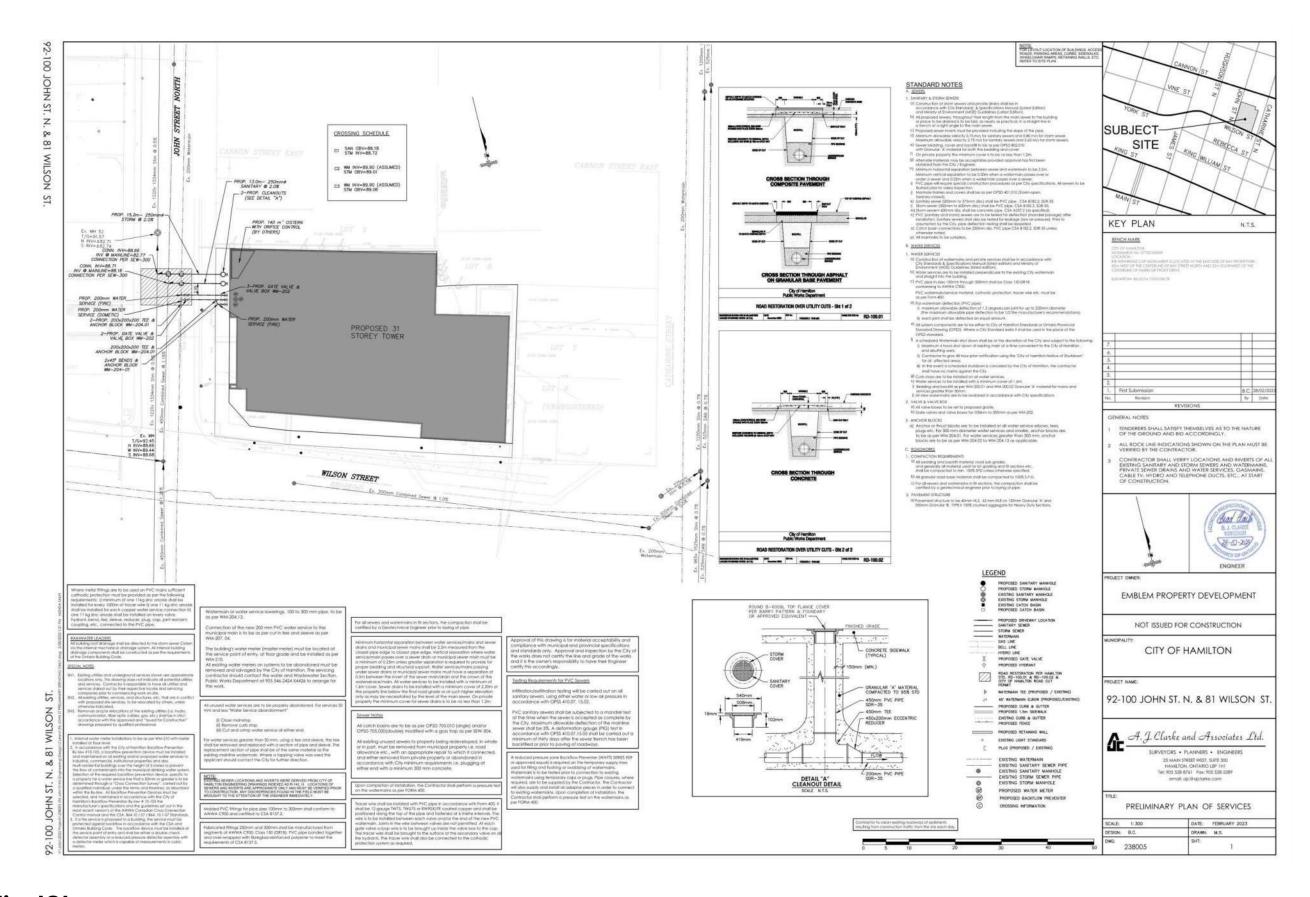
Topographic Survey

Preliminary Plan of Services (Sheet 1)









**APPENDIX B:** 

**MIDUSS v2 Output Files** 



Drainage split of the Site provided by the City of Hamilton

### John Street Drainage Area (Main drainage area):

### Pre-development

Area: 0.135 C:0.8

Assumed CN:80

L:25

% imp:  $\rightarrow$  c:0.8 $\rightarrow$  78.5% ~ used : 80%

Flow @ 2y :0.021 cms

### Post development:

Area: 0.235 (conservative) C:0.9

% imp-→ C:0.9→% Imp: 92.8%--> used 95%

Flow @ 100yr: 0.112 cms

Sanitary flow:0.013

Target: 0.021-0.013=0.008 cms

John Street Drainage Area	
2yr Pre-dev (0.135 ha)	0.021 cms
100 post-dev (0.235 ha)	0.008 cms
Volume Required	140 m <sup>3</sup>

### 2-yr predevelopment Flow to John Street (0.135 ha)

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minutes
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      Rainfall losses 24.810 5.340 9.526 mm"
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100-yr Post-development Flow to John Street

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minutes'
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Wilson Street Drainage A	rea
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100 post-dev (0.031ha)	0.015 cms
Volume Required	NA

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### **APPENDIX C:**

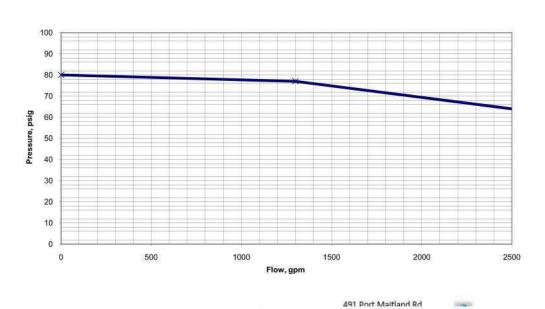
Storm Design Calculation Sheet – Minor Storm Flows
Sanitary Design Calculation Sheet
Hydrant Flow Test Results

### Hydrant Flow Test Report

SITE NAME: TEST DATE: SITE ADDRESS / MUNICIPALITY: April 20,2021 John Street North in Hamilton, ON Front Of #114 John Street North (Hydrant TEST HYDRANT LOCATION: ID:HA17H035) BASE HYDRANT LOCATION: 1st Fire Hydrant Southwest Corner of Cannon Street TEST TIME: East on John Street North 11:00Am TEST BY: Luzia Wood **TEST DATA** FLOW HYDRANT Pipe Diam. 8" PITOT 2 PITOT 1 2.5 SIZE OPENING (inches): 0.90 0.90 COEFFICIENT (note 1): 60 42 / 42 PITOT READING (psi): 2175 1300 FLOW (usgpm): THEORETICAL FLOW @ 20 PSI 6553 BASE HYDRANT 80 RESIDUAL 1 (psi): 77 RESIDUAL 2 (psi): 72 STATIC READING (psi):

REMARKS:

**NOTE 1**: Conversion factor of .90 used for flow calculation based on rounded and flush internal nozzle configuration. No appreciable difference in pipe invert between flow and base hydrants.





### **Storm Sewer Design Calculations**

Manning's n = 0.013

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March 1, 2023
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Review By: BC

DESCRIPTION	FROM MH	То МН	STORM EVENT	ADD AREA (ha)	CUMM AREA (ha)	С	AxC	CUMM. CxA	INITIAL TIME (min)	TIME IN PIPE (min)	CUMM. TIME (min)	INTENSITY (mm/hr)	FLOW	ADDITIONAL	DESIGN FLOW Q (m³/s)	LENGTH (m)	DIAMETER (mm)	GRADE %	CAPACITY (m³/s)	21 2272	Design vs Capacity
1	1	2	2-yr	0.135	0.135	0.80	0.108	0.108	10.00	0.59	10.59	74.10	0.022		0.022	61.00	250	2.00	0.088	1.73	0.25

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CITY OF HAMILTON 92-100 John Street

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Date : March 1, 2023
Date Print: March 1, 2023
Design By : MS
Review By: BC

### SANITARY SEWER DESIGN CALCULATIONS

Per Capita Consumption = 360 L/CAP/D Infiltration = 0.60 L/S/HA

D<600 0.015 D>=600 0.013

DESCRIPTION	FROM MH	то мн	DENSITY DESCRIPTION	ADD AREA (ha)	CUMM. AREA (ha)	POPULATION DENSITY (people/ha)	POP.	CUMM. POP.	PEAK FACTOR	Q AVERAGE (L/s)	Q PEAK (L/s)	INFILTRATION (L/s)	TOTAL DESIGN FLOW (L/s)	LENGTH (m)	PIPE DIAMETER (mm)	GRADE %	MANNING 'n'		DESIGN vs CAPACITY	FULL VELOCITY (m/s)
TOWER	BUILDING	A1	HIGH DENSITY	0.235	0.235	6682	1570	1570	2.00	6.54	13.08	0.14	13.22	15.00	250	2.00	0.0150	72.89	0.18	1.48
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# CULTURAL HERITAGE IMPACT ASSESSMENT

for

# 92-100 John Street and 61-81 Wilson Street

Hamilton, ON

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### 1. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Goldsmith Borgal & Company Ltd. Architects (GBCA) was retained by Emblem Developments in 2022 to prepare a Cultural Heritage Impact Assessment (CHIA) for the development of a site located on a parcel of land in the downtown core of Hamilton, roughly bounded by Wilson Street, John Street North, and Catharine Street at the Southeast corner of John Street North and Wilson Street. For the purposes of this application, the site is referred to as 92 John Street. Our draft assessment has been scoped for the purpose of responding to comments arising from the formal Consultation with the City of Hamilton and in preparation of the Design Review Panel application, based on material made available to us at this phase of the design.

The development site comprises four extant structures - 92 John Street North (3-storey masonry structure), 96 John Street North (1-storey structure), 100 John Street North (2-storey structure), and 81 Wilson Street (2-1/2 storey structure) which will be removed to accommodate the proposed 31-storey (plus MPH) building with a contextually related 5storey podium. All of the existing buildings are included in the Municipal Heritage Register and *inventoried* as a result of a recommendation from the 2014 Downtown Built Heritage Inventory Project. GBCA conducted an independent evaluation under Ontario Regulation 9/06 for these properties and concluded that they do not meet sufficient criteria for having cultural heritage value. As such, the buildings are not, in our opinion, heritage resources and are proposed to be demolished. Mitigation strategies are discussed in this scoped CHIA, which will provide a preliminary assessment of cultural heritage resources in advance of a refined development proposal that will consist of a new multi-storey and mixeduse commercial and residential building, with above-ground parking which will replace the current low-rise structures.

Throughout this CHIA, GBCA has reviewed the proposed development largely with respect to its adjacency to heritage resources (as defined in the City's Official Plan), and the overall "fit" of the development into the existing site and context.

As the development site is located in the downtown core of the City, it is adjacent to many heritage properties that are either listed or designated. Most notably, within the block of the site, there is one designated property: Stewart Memorial Church c. 1888 (114 John Street North) described through By-law 93-089, located in Appendix V. The proposed change for the site consists of a new mixed-use development with retail and residential uses, which will allow for the visibility and full expression of adjacent heritage resources.

The proposed land assembly merging 92-100 John Street North and 61-81 Wilson Street into one structure will change the historical lotting patterns on the site which date back to 1840. Furthermore, the proposed development will involve the demolition of four inventoried buildings on the subject site and impact adjacent heritage resources by means of the introduction of new high-rise volumes in an area predominantly characterized by low-rise buildings.

In our view, and in light of mitigating strategies to reduce impacts to heritage properties, this proposal balances demands for *intensification* with those of *heritage preservation* in a manner that allows both objectives to be appreciated as a part of a complex and changing urban environment.

This CHIA has been prepared in accordance with the *InfoSheet: Cultural Heritage Impact Assessments* (last revised September 2014) as required by the City of Hamilton and evaluates the impact of the proposed development on existing heritage resources.

### 2. INTRODUCTION

### 2.1 Property Description

The subject site is located in the downtown core of the City of Hamilton. The site is of irregular shape and located on the southern edge of the block bounded by John Street North (to the west), Wilson Street (to the south), Catherine Street (to the east) and Cannon Street East (to the north), as indicated on the map at right.

The site is a largely a vacant surface parking lot with three buildings located on the east side of John Street North, and north of Wilson Street.

Across Wilson Street to the south is an open area of parking lots. To the west of the site is a proposed development of a mixed-use development consisting of three multi-storey towers over a podium with retail uses.

#### 2.2 Present Owner and Contact Information

Owner: EMBLEM Developments Inc. on behalf of Hamilton III

GP Inc.

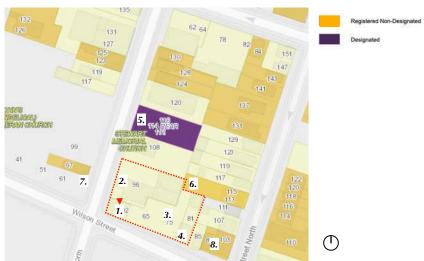
77 King Street West, Suite 4230

Toronto, ON M5K 1E7

Contact: Ryan Millar

rmillar@emblemdevcorp.com

#### 2.3 Location Plan



Snapshot of the City's Interactive Heritage Property Mapping, showing the development site (red arrow) in its context.

Properties highlighted in a purple colour are Designated, those in orange are Registered and those in yellow are Inventoried. Those that have no colour have no heritage status.

Properties on site:

- 1. 92 John Street North, "Gary Procter Building" (c. 1959). Inventoried on City's Heritage Register in 2014 (character supporting).
- 2. 96 John Street North (c. 1890). Inventoried on City's Heritage Register in 2014 (character supporting).
- **3.** 100 John Street North (c. 1900). Inventoried on City's Heritage Register in 2014 (character supporting).
- **4. 81 Wilson Street** (c. 1880). Inventoried on City's Heritage Register in 2014 (character supporting).

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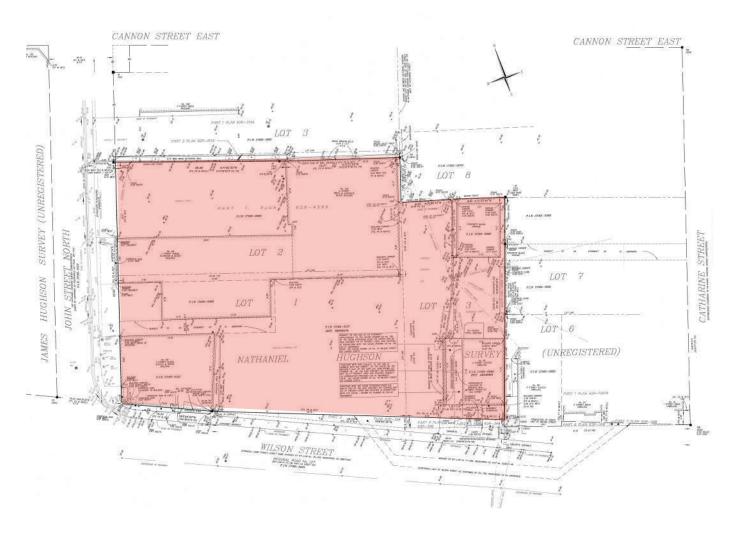
**5. 114** *John Street North, Stewart Memorial Church*—(c. 1848/1905). Designated on City's Heritage Register in 1993 under OHA.

6. 115-113 Catherine Street — (c. 1900). Registered on City's Heritage Register in 2014.

**7. 97 John Street North** — (c. 1898). Chinese Community Centre Association of Canada. Registered on City's Heritage Register in 2014. (Demolished in 2022).

**8.** 87 Wilson Street — (c. 1890). Registered on City's Heritage Register in 2014.

### 2.4 Property Survey



Survey of part of lot 1 & Part of Lot 2 fronting on the east side of John Street and Lot 3 fronting on the north side of Wilson Street. A.J Clarke and Associated Ltd.

### 2.5 Site Context

All photos were taken by GBCA Architects on January 2022.



View of development site looking east from the west side of John Street North at the intersection of Wilson Street. The curtain wall of 92 John is visible here, and a portion of 96 John Street to the north.



View of 92 John Street North from the south side of Wilson Street, showing the glazed ceramic brick on this restrained elevation. The building was originally built for the A.R.C. School of Welding.

GBCA Architects



View of 100 John Street, looking east from John Street. The original building is set back from the street by approximately 30 metres with a linear addition clad in vinyl visible to the south, both of which were most recently occupied by a framing studio.



View of 81 Wilson Street at the far left, from the south side of Wilson Street. The twoand-a-half storey residential brick dwelling was constructed in the late-19th century.



Looking north on John Street N from the intersection at Wilson Street. The development site is on the right of the image. Two buildings beyond this is the Stewart Memorial Church, with its prominent gabled roof and modest spire partially visible. To the left, hoarding for a development at 41 Wilson Street is visible. Three multi-storey towers with podium recreating the street wall have been proposed here.



Looking south on Wilson Street, from the development site. The area east and west of John Street North is mostly characterized by parking lots, which are a result of demolition during the late 20th century.



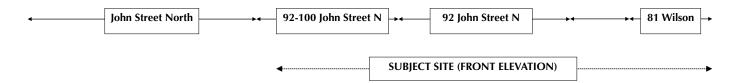
Looking northwest on the current development site towards the rear of the property at 96 John Street North.



View of 92 John Street North (Gary Procter building) and adjacent parking lot, at the southwest corner of John Street North and Wilson Street. The adjacent development site at 41 Wilson Street is visible to the west, as is 37 Wilson Street - St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church.



Looking north from the south side of John Street N at Wilson Street towards the subject site, as annotated below.



### 3. BACKGROUND

#### 3.1 Site and Context:

The subject property is located within an area of Hamilton that was historically one of mixed-use, whereby workers and middle-class housing was found on the same blocks as places of worship and/or institutional buildings. The block bounded by John Street, Wilson Street (then Gore Street), Catherine Street and Cannon Street was part of one of the earliest neighbourhoods in Hamilton and is a small portion of what was historically surveyed as Concession 2, Lot 14. Through Nathaniel Hughson's Survey, the block was further subdivided into multiple building lots. The subject property includes parts of 1 and 2 of Nathaniel Hughson's survey.

In 1791, land surveyor Augustus Jones laid out the area in a formal grid of lots and concessions. The Crown awarded the first lots as grants to United Empire Loyalist settlers, with most of these properties given to incoming settlers between 1796 and 1802. Concession 2, Lot 14 was one of several lots originally granted to Captain Ralph Clinch (Clench) and then to the merchant and government official John Askin. In 1805, Askin sold the Lot 14 to Nathaniel Hughson. Through Nathaniel Hughson's Survey, the block that now contains the subject property, bounded by Catherine Street, Wilson Street (then Gore Street), John Street and Cannon Street, was subdivided into 12 building lots. The subject property includes all or part of 8 of those 12 lots – primarily the southern portion of the block.

While the Legislative Council of Upper Canada had incorporated Hamilton as a Town in 1833, it was during the 1840s that the town embarked upon a period of economic growth and experienced a population explosion – it was during this time that the first buildings were erected on the block north of Wilson Street (then Gore Street) – none of those early buildings remain.

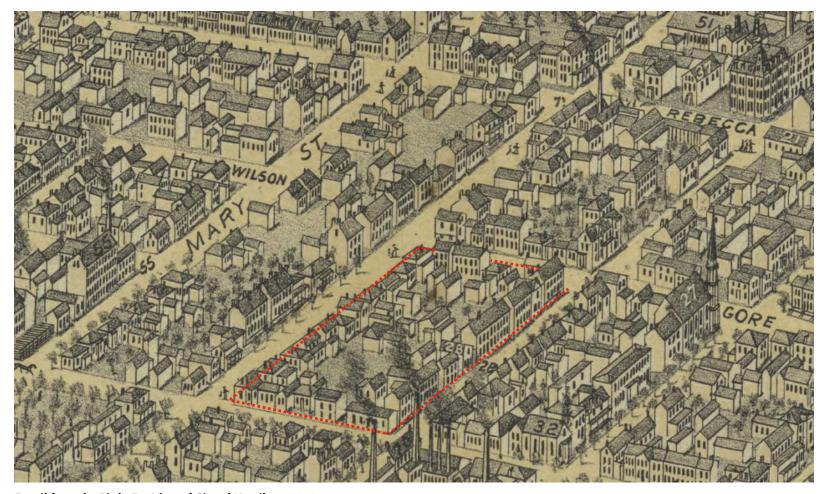
Hamilton was in a position for incorporation as a city in 1846. A major economic upswing transformed the frontier town into a regional urban centre and during the ten years following the incorporation of the City in 1846, the population jumped from 6,832 to 27,500 – an increase of over 400%.

The block on which the subject property is located was quick to develop due to its close proximity to the important civic and commercial areas, notably the major thoroughfare of James Street located a block to the west. Both a City Hall and a Market Building were erected at the point where the road from Toronto (York) joined the road from the waterfront (James), more or less opposite to King William Street.

The lots on the block were sold to various landowners and speculators who constructed houses of various types, including detached and semi-detached houses - either brick or wood frame. A Methodist Church was erected on lots 4 and 5 of the block in 1848 at 112-114 John Street North - the former John Street Methodist Episcopal Church (later St. Paul's African Methodist Episcopal Church and now Stewart memorial Church). In the early twentieth century, St. Paul's African Methodist Episcopal Church c. 1905 (now Stewart Memorial Church) formed part of a continuous streetscape comprising a mix of houses, industrial buildings and churches (including the Methodist Episcopal Church built in 1878 at the south-west corner of John and Wilson).

By the end of the nineteenth century, the block containing the subject property was almost entirely developed and subsequent changes came about following demolitions of the earliest residential structures - as was the case at the subject property, whereby an earlier nineteenth century semi-detached brick dwelling was demolished in the 1930s and the current structure was erected in the late 1950s/early 1960s.

Additionally, a pair of semi-detached houses at 79-81 Gore Street (as it was referred to before Wilson Street) were constructed around 1880. In the early 20th century, 79 Wilson Street was removed - likely in the 1930s. The residence features a Porte-cochère which would have been used to shelter for carriages at the entrance of the building. To the north of these structures are wagon sheds, which are associated with properties along John Street North. These structures still remain on the subject development site.



Detail from the Bird's Eye View of City of Hamilton, 1876

This bird's eye view (which is not oriented to the north, but rather looks to the south) shows the extent of the development on the subject property and its block, as well as on the neighbouring blocks. The Methodist Episcopal Church at is denoted as building 28 at 114 John Street North and the Primitivist Methodist Church is denoted as building 27 (at the corner of Gore Street - as Wilson Street was known at that time).



Insurance Plan of the City of Hamilton, Charles E. Goad, 1898

By the turn of the nineteenth century, all building lots were developed. The last to be developed were the semi-detached houses at the corner of John Street North and Gore Street (now Wilson Street). The remainder of John Street was occupied with detached and semi-detached housing, some wood frame, but most brick. The Methodist Episcopal Church is shown in its early form as a wood frame structure.



Insurance Plan of City of Hamilton, Charles E. Goad, 1911

At this time, the Methodist Episcopal Church is shown with brick. One half of the semi-detached house at 79-81 Gore Street, and the street facing structure a portion of the rear shed at 96/100 John Street are the only remaining structures on the site today. The structures at 65 and 75 Wilson Street and 92 John Street North were later removed to accommodate the Gary Procter Building, constructed around 1959.

# 3.2 92 John Street North: "Gary Procter Building" (c. 1959). (see Appendix IV)

The exact date of construction of the current structure at 92 John Street North has not been confirmed, however the following was determined. Architectural drawings (found at the City of Hamilton Building Department) for an office building for A.R.C. School of Welding at John and Gore Street are dated January/February 1958, however these drawings have several references to "existing" conditions, which would suggest that the drawings were for an addition to an already existing structure (see Appendix IV). Yet, City Directories have no references to a building on the site until 1958 when the A.R.C. School of Welding first appears in the Directory. (The original nineteenth century semi-detached brick buildings had been demolished in the 1930s).

Although the above information would suggest that the building (or major alterations to an existing building), dates 1958, a Building Permit (Permit #18027), dated 22 May 1964, was issued for the construction of a three-storey addition (50′ x 37′) to an existing office building, which corresponds to the drawings dated 1958. Another Building Permit (Permit #42376), also dated 22 May 1964, was issued for interior alterations of second and third floor of a building at 92 John Street North. And, a set of blueprints at the City of Hamilton Building Department for a "proposed Building" also date 1964. Without conclusive evidence, we date the building 1958-1964.

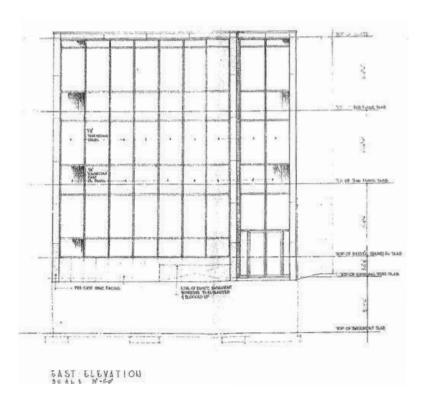
At some point in its history (as appearing on Building Department records in a drawing dated 1969), the building was called The Gary Proctor Building (the name was mounted on the south elevation and remains there today). Gary Proctor (1945-1967) was the son of Wilfred Proctor, who was the owner/operator of the A.R.C. School of Welding. According to a reporter in the Hamilton Spectator (October 10, 2012), Wilfred Proctor erected and named the building after Proctor's son died in 1967 at the age of 22. The source of information is not provided, but the reporter surmises that the building was erected shortly after the death - thus the Spectator article dates the building to the early 1970s. But given the information gleaned from the Building Records provided above, it is more likely that the building dates between 1958 and 1964, and perhaps the naming of the

building as The Gary Proctor Building only came about in 1969. Little information could be found about the A.R.C. School of Welding.

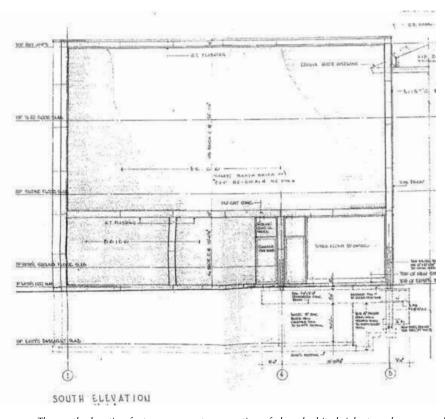
The architects of the building (or of a major addition to an existing building) were a firm based out of Burlington, Ontario. Wall, Yamamoto and Matthews was founded in 1957 by William E. Wall and Robert S. Yamamoto (1924-2012), with David H. Matthews joining the firm a year later. According to secondary sources, the firm designed civic and cultural facilities, schools, churches, along with medical and commercial facilities, but little documentation can be found on the early work of this firm. One project advertised in the Ottawa Citizen was the Hampton Park Plaza, Ottawa, 1960-1961 and there is a reference to Wall and Yamamoto's work at the Canada Centre for Inland Waters, Burlington, 1968-1973. (The firm continues today as KNYMH Architects and remains headquartered in Burlington).

The three-storey building with basement consists of an irregularly shaped plan, angled to follow the line of Wilson (original Gore) Street. There are two entrances to the building - the entrance on the front/west facade leads to the stairwell that provides access to the office spaces on the ground, second and third floors - the stairs also led to the basement which was the original welding shop. Another entrance is on the side/south facade, which was originally designated for a storefront on the ground floor.

The building is primarily constructed of concrete block with a steel framing system. The front/west elevation is comprised mainly of a curtain wall system of aluminum fame with glazing and opaque spandrel panels. The concrete block along the base of this facade has been covered with a styrofoam insulation system. The side/south facade is clad in a white glazed brick - organized in two panels on the ground floor and a single expansive area of brick on the upper levels of the facade. This white brick continues for a few feet around the corner to the rear/east elevation but the majority of the east facade is comprised of concrete block (now covered partially with aluminum siding). This elevation was, when built, abutting a neighbouring house and was not visible. The north/side facade is similarly concrete block with a new cladding of aluminum siding.



The east elevation was originally constructed with commercially available products of the time including Thermopile panels and Colorclad cast glass with pre-cast concrete facing with steel deck roof. The original offices/classroom space would have been constructed with vinyl Asbestos tile, and acoustic t-bar ceiling ceilings. In the basement, the welding ship for the A.R.C. School of Welding would be located.



The south elevation features a one-storey section of glazed white brick at grade, surrounded by pre-cast concrete band and two storeys of matte white brick above. An 'unfinished storefront' was originally included in plans, and remains under-utilized currently.

The use of commercially available materials for the curtain wall and south elevations allowed for a more expressive although economic facade at John Street North and Wilson Streets, while the remaining construction have been of 18" concrete block back-up with styrofoam insulation with lathe and plaster.

# 3.3 Stewart Memorial: Hamilton By-law 93-089 (see Appendix V)

The building now occupied by Stewart Memorial was erected in 1848 to serve as the Methodist Episcopal Church. Originally a simple frame structure with clapboard siding and a front-gabled roof, the building was substantially altered in the first decade of this century. According to available documentation, the original structure was reclad with brick masonry and the facade remodelled in the Gothic Revival style (circa 1905). Characteristic features include the pointed-arched window and door openings, the blind oculus in the gable front, and the flanking buttresses with tall pinnacles. Extensive interior renovations completed in 1908 included the installation of semi-circular pews, chandeliers (since removed) and an attractive, pressed-metal ceiling with Gothic-inspired, patterned tiles. Further renovations in the 1950s resulted in the removal of the original altar, certain elements of which have been preserved by the congregation.

Stewart Memorial Church on John Street North has become a landmark for Hamilton's Black community, a distinguished history as the city's oldest surviving Black congregation. With the influx of fugitive slaves into Upper Canada from the 1820s onward, emerged distinctive Black communities. For these early settlers, the church became a central focus, fulfilling both religious and social needs. By the late 1830s, Hamilton's Black population was large enough to support the establishment of both a Baptist and a Methodist church (the only denominations to establish churches specifically for Blacks). The earliest is believed to be St. Paul's African Methodist Episcopal (AME) Church, founded in 1835 under the authority of the (American) African Methodist Episcopal Body and situated in the northeast section of town, where the highest concentration of Blacks lived. According to the historical account passed on orally from generation to generation, the congregation was first housed on Rebecca Street in a small log structure, which was later replaced by a larger building. This location was, however, abandoned in 1879 when the structure was badly damaged by fire and the present church building, formerly occupied by the Methodist Episcopal congregation, was acquired. Faced with financial difficulties during the Depression years, St. Paul's AME Church was saved from closure through the efforts of its congregation and Reverend J.C. Holland. The decision made in 1937 to sever ties with the Mother Body resulted in the formation of a nondenominational Black church named Stewart Memorial Church in honour of Reverend C.A. Stewart, whose death in 1936 ended many years of dedicated service to the congregation of St. Paul's. His successor Reverend Holland was voted Hamilton's "Citizen of the Year" in 1953, in recognition of his instrumental role in keeping the church open and long service to the church and community (1936-54).

Today, Stewart Memorial has the longest surviving predominately black congregation in Hamilton.

Designated Features Important to the preservation of Stewart Memorial Church are the original features of:

- the west (front), north and south facades, including the brick masonry with its decorative arches and detailing, the buttresses and pinnacles, and the door and window openings (excluding the modern doorway and windows).
- the sanctuary space, including the decorative pressed-metal ceiling and curved wood pews.



Stewart Memorial Church (CBC)

### 4. HERITAGE STATUS

#### 4.1 Current status

The development assembly comprises several structures. None of the properties assembled for the development site are designated on the City of Hamilton's Heritage Register, however the proposed development is adjacent to several listed heritage properties, and includes several inventoried properties. Properties noted below with a red arrow are Designated or registered on the heritage register.

The James Street North Streetscape is recognized as a Cultural Heritage Landscape, under the City of Hamilton's Official Plan. This Streetscape runs from York Boulevard/Wilson Street to the south towards Murray Street to the north and is located west of the development site, including parcels of lands that are considered adjacent to the development site (along Hughson Street North).



### 4.2 Adjacencies

There are a number of properties adjacent to the development site that have heritage status, as shown on the map at right. These adjacent properties either share a property line with the development site, or are situated across the street from the development site. These adjacent properties (that include a building) are:

### **Properties on site:**

- 1. 92 John Street North "Gary Procter Building" (c. 1959). Inventoried on City's Heritage Register in 2014.
- 2. 96 John Street North (c. 1890). Inventoried on City's Heritage Register in 2014.
- **3.** 100 John Street North (c. 1900). Inventoried on City's Heritage Register in 2014.
- **4. 81 Wilson Street** (c. 1880). Inventoried on City's Heritage Register in 2014.

#### Adjacent:

- **5. 114 John Street North, Stewart Memorial Church** (c. 1848/1905). Designated on City's Heritage Register in 1993 under OHA.
- **6. 115-113 Catharine Street** (c. 1900). Registered on City's Heritage Register in 2014.
- **7. 97 John Street North** (c. 1898). Chinese Community Centre Association of Canada. Registered on City's Heritage Register in 2014. (Demolished in 2022).
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Criteria (O.Reg.9/06) for Determining Cultural Heritage Value or Interest:

Assessment of Heritage Value or Interest of

### 92 John Street North (\*See Appendix IV for detailed CHER)

#### The property has **Design or Physical Value** because it,

- i. Rare, unique, representative or early example of a style, type, expression, material or construction method.
- ii. Displays a high degree of craftsmanship or artistic merit.
- iii. Demonstrates a high degree of technical or scientific achievement.

The building at 92 John Street North, which dates to the late-1950s/early 1960s, is a representative example of the International Style of architecture that was popular after the 1950s. It has a curtain wall with aluminum framing on the front/west facade, while the other major facade (the side/south facade) is clad in an expanse of white brick with no architectural ornamentation as typical of the International Style. However, the building does not display a high degree of craftsmanship or artistic merit (primarily being built of concrete block, with external styrofoam insulation system or aluminum siding), nor does it represent a high degree of technical achievement in its construction as some International Style buildings did when architects were experimenting with new modern technologies.

#### The property has Historical or Associative Value because it,

- i. Has direct associations with a theme, event, belief, person, activity, organization or institution that is significant to a community.
- ii. Yields, or has the potential to yield, information that contributes to an understanding of a community or culture.
- iii. Demonstrates or reflects the work or ideas of an architect, artist, builder, designer or theorist who is significant to a community.

The building at 92 John Street North is not directly associated with a theme, event, person, organization or institution that is significant to the community, nor does it yield information that contributes to an understanding of a community or culture. It was built for the A.R.C. School of Welding and owned by Wilfred Proctor, who named the building "The Gary Proctor Building" after his deceased son.

The subject building was designed or altered by the architects Wall, Yamamoto and Matthews of Burlington, Ontario. During research for this report, little information could be found on the careers and output of Wall, Yamamoto and Matthews and this building's design could not be evaluated in relation to other works by the same architects.

#### The property has Contextual Value because it,

- i. Is important in defining, maintaining, or supporting the character of an area.
- ii. Is physically, functionally, visually or historically linked to its surroundings.

iii. Is a landmark.

An analysis of the data contained in the the Downtown Built Heritage Inventory Project reveals that the Beasley neighbourthe period does not mark a significant one in the neighbour-

The building at 92 John Street North is not a landmark - although it appears quite prominent since it is on a corner in an area of the downtown that has seen much demolition and therefore is primarily surrounded in surface parking lots. It does not define, maintain or support the character of the Beasley neighbourhood, which was primarily nineteenth century residential, industrial, and institutional (church) buildings. Given its office/commercial use, the building is not functionally linked to its surroundings.

hood includes only ten properties from the 1950s, and therefore hood's historical development.



View of 92 John Street North, looking northeast from the south side of Wilson



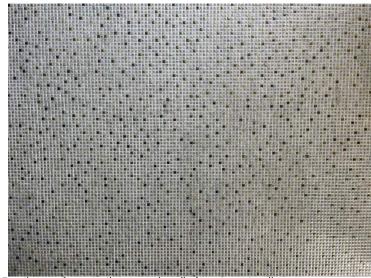
Looking south towards north elevation of The Gary Procter building. Aluminum siding has been applied to this elevation.



View of stairwell, with terrazzo runners and an elaborate mosaic tiles applied to each wall.



View of renovated 2nd floor office space. View looking west to adjacent development site at 41 Wilson Street with St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church in the background.



Detail view of mosaic tiles on south wall of interior stairwell.

Criteria (O.Reg.9/06) for Determining Cultural Heritage Value or Interest:	Assessment of Heritage Value or Interest of 98/100 John Street North	Meets Criteria:
The property has <b>Design or Physi</b>	cal Value because it,	
i. Rare, unique, representative or early example of a style, type, expression, material or construction method.	The structures were constructed around 1900. The structure was built as part of a wagon shed, with an addition to the south. This is not particularly rare for the City of Hamilton.	No
ii. Displays a high degree of craftsmanship or artistic merit.	The craftsmanship is representative of the period, however it is not particularly unique or rare.	No
iii. Demonstrates a high degree of technical or scientific achievement.	Based on the visual inspection observed on site, the construction method does not appear to demonstrate a high degree of technical or scientific achievement.	No
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i. Has direct associations with a theme, event, belief, person, activity, organization or institu- tion that is significant to a	The building has been heavily altered and while it illustrates a portion of the original character of the area, it does not define or maintain that character.	No
ii. Yields, or has the potential to yield, information that contributes to an understanding of a community or culture.	The existing building itself has the potential to contribute to an understanding of the out buildings associated with John Streets mixed character with both commercial uses mixed with residential but this attribution is minor due to changes.	No
iii. Demonstrates or reflects the work or ideas of an architect, artist, builder, designer or theo- rist who is significant to a community.	The designer or builder has not been identified and the integrity of the original design has been lost through numerous alterations, in any event.	No
The property has Contextual Value	e because it,	
i. Is important in defining, maintaining, or supporting the character of an area.	The building itself is not critical to defining the character of John Street North, and have been set back from the street in order to function as service structures.	No
ii. Is physically, functionally, visually or historically linked to its surroundings.	Land clearing in the late 20th century and recent large scale commercial developments both proposed and under development along John and Wilson Streets have altered the scale of commercial activity on the thoroughfare, the building is historically linked to its surroundings as an early commercial artery. However, changes to the building have considerably reduced this link.	No
iii. Is a landmark.	The building is not a landmark.	No



Eastern addition of 98/100 John Street North, looking north.



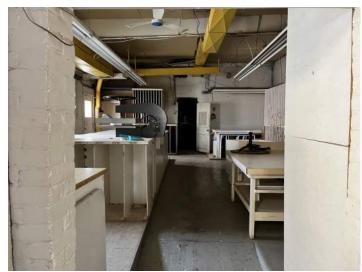
Eastern addition of 98/100 John Street North, looking west. The presence of imperial sized cinder blocks suggests that alterations were undertaken on the rear wall before the 1960s.



100 John Street North, looking east.



View first level modified work/storage space, looking west.



View first level modified work/storage space, looking east.



View first level modified work/storage space, looking east.



View unfinished first level work/storage space, looking east towards end of structure.



View of ground level of modified commercial space at 100 John Street N, looking west.



View second level modified commercial space at 100 John Street N, looking west. Original wood columns and beams are visible.



View first level modified commercial space at 100 John Street N, looking west. Historic timber framing elements are combined with the renovated space.



View second level modified commercial space at 100 John Street N, looking west. Original wood columns and beams are visible.

The property has <b>Design or Physical Value</b> because it,  i. Rare, unique, representative or early example of a style, type, expression, material or construction method.  The original semi-detached houses at 79-81 Gore Street (earlier name) were constructed around 1880. In the early 20th century, the adjoining semi at 79 Wilson Street was removed - likely in the 1930s. The residence features a Porte-cochère which would have been used to shelter for carriages at the entrance of the building. This is a unique characteristic, but not particularly rare for the City of Hamilton.  The craftsmanship is representative of the period, however it is not particularly unique or rare.  Based on the visual inspection observed on site, the construction method does not appear to demonstrate a high degree of technical or scientific achievement.  The property has <b>Historical or Associative Value</b> because it,  The building has been heavily altered and while it illustrates a portion of the original character of the area, it does not define or maintain that character. Better examples can be found to the east of the
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iii. Demonstrates or reflects the work or ideas of an architect, artist, builder, designer or theorist who is significant to a
The property has <b>Contextual Value</b> because it,
i. Is important in defining, maintaining, or supporting the character of an area.  The building itself is not critical to defining the character of Wilson Street. Its scale and mass is, however, a consistent feature for residences of this period.
ii. Is physically, functionally, visually or historically linked to its surroundings.  Land clearing in the late 20th century and recent large scale commercial developments both proposed and under development along John and Wilson Street's have altered the scale of commercial activity on the thoroughfare. The building is historically linked to its surroundings as an early commercial artery, however, changes to the building have considerably reduced this link.
iii. Is a landmark. The building is not a landmark.



81 Wilson Street, looking north from the south side of Wilson Street.



81 Wilson Street, looking east from 92 John Street North.



View of 81 Wilson Street, looking south from rear property. The Porte-cochère is visible at right. All evidence of original materials has been removed, and original brick has been re-clad with modern stucco, likely damaging the original face brick irreparably.



View of 81 Wilson Street, 2nd level interior. Both interior levels have been extensively altered for residential use. Pictured above is a bedroom on the second level.



View of 81 Wilson Street, looking east towards the front porch. This small window frame, in poor condition, is likely an original.



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#### 5. DEVELOPMENT PROPOSAL

#### 5.1 Proposed Development Strategy

The owner has assembled six-properties on the south-west corner of John Street North and Wilson Street for the proposed development. The preliminary development scenario, at the time of the Design Review Panel application, will require the following:

- 1) In order to clear the land for construction, 92 John Street North (3-storey masonry structure), 96 John Street North (1-storey structure), 100 John Street North (2-storey structure), and 81 Wilson Street (2-1/2 storey structure) will be removed from the site.
- 2) The 2342 sq. metre site will not be excavated below grade. Retail and lobby uses will be located at grade, and seven levels above for parking. Access to parking will be located off of John Street North.
- 3) A 31-storey (plus MPH) tower will occupy the site. Details of the development and massing will follow on subsequent pages of this HIA.



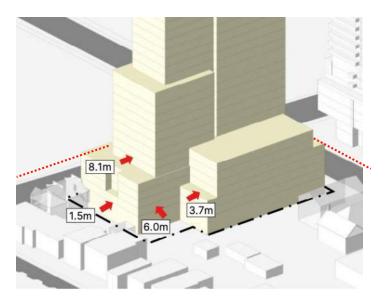
A view of the proposed lobby entrance, with glazed ground floor level and masonry above.

#### **5.2** Description of Proposed Development:

The owner is proposing to develop a total GFA of 24,105 square metres to include a 31-storey mixed-use residential building (plus mechanical) with 383 suites.

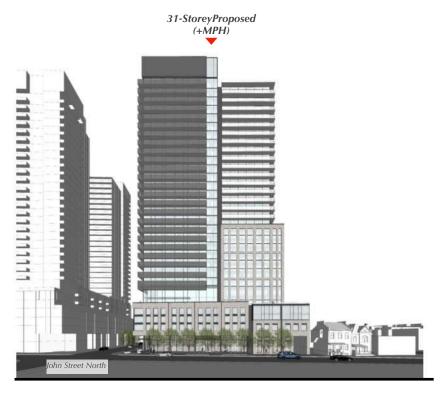
Designed by Studio JCI, the building is conceived to include lobby off of John Street North with residential uses beginning at the third storey. At the podium level, the building will respond to the existing and proposed character of John Street through a series of setbacks and stepbacks while adding additional density in line with the planned character of the area.

Along Wilson Street, at-grade retail will extend west from the current location of 81 Wilson Street. Above grade parking is located at the northern portion of the floor plate on levels 2-7, which are accessible via elevators located at the lobby.



Where the massing relates to the surrounding neighbourhood context, there have been efforts to establish suitable setbacks in order to provide congruency between the existing context and the proposed development. This has been exercised through the following:

- Proposed massing of a 3-storey at north and corner property lines (technical requirement to provide sufficient parking ramp length)
- 3.7m setback at east corner property line;
- 6.0m setback from north property line at rear;
- 1.5m setback from east property line with additional articulation articulation of side wall;
- 8.1m setback at 6th floor.



**South Elevation** - Facing Wilson Street. Retail will extend north from the adjacent row of housing to John Street North. A lobby and retail uses are proposed along Wilson Street. The massing is broken down into essentially four volumes, ranging from low-rise, mid-rise, to tower. The singular tower appears to be split visually with two separate volumes.

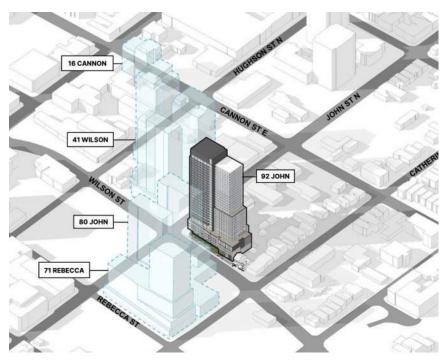


**East Elevation** - Looking north-east towards the subject development site. Numerous setback and stepbacks have been added to the massing of the tower, supplanting the 5 storey podium on Wilson and John St. N (16.0m high on both sides, below the permitted 22m height). This includes the introduction of a mid-rise form on east side to transition from low-rise/podium level to tower. On the east wall a 5-storey podium faces adjacent building (16.0m high), with a change in materials and articulation to improve the relationship with the existing context. The modest height increase between the adjacent heritage buildings to the north (144 John Street) and to the east (87 Wilson Street) is sympathetic to the heritage resources, and will exemplify human scale development in light of the addition of a large tower above into the historic context.

#### 5.3 Assessment of Design

The proposed change to the site consists of removing the existing buildings at 92 John Street North (3-storey masonry structure), 96 John Street North (1-storey structure), 100 John Street North (2-storey structure), and 81 Wilson Street (2-1/2 storey structure) in order to make way for a new development. The building design integrates various setbacks and stepbacks in order to respond to the scale of the area, with four main volumes comprised of 3, 5, 8, 15 and 31 storeys. The subject site is adjacent to two-Designated heritage properties to the north and and east. A number of high-rise condominiums to the north-east and proposed developments to the south and west have been proposed, or are currently under development. The proposed structure will consist of 31-storeys, plus a 1-storey mechanical penthouse.

The proposed development will stitch together the street-wall along Wilson Street that is currently occupied by a large parking space. The street-wall along John Street North will also be enhanced, in order to complement a proposed development opposite the street which has a 5-storey podium level planned. The proposed demolitions will enable that road widening and daylight triangle here. Although there are low-rise buildings in the area, the planned character consists of high-rise structures and therefore any notion of transition will need to be considered in light of the planned character and existing approvals.



Current and proposed development situation in the general area surrounding 92 John Street North



The proposed massing features a proposed 16m podium, which is 6m below the current zoning allowance. This allows for legibility of the heritage properties and visual continuity between the adjacent massing. Furthermore, on Wilson Street the podium volume features a full storey glazed unit at the third level which lightens the solidity of the massing visible here. Existing buildings on Wilson Street and John Street North will not be affected by the development and will retain their heritage value and presence



The proposed massing introduces uses and heights that are compatible with the surrounding context. The integrity of Stewart Memorial Church, located two properties north, will not be impacted.

#### 6. HERITAGE IMPACT ASSESSMENT

#### 6.1 Impact on Heritage Resources

Heritage resources have been identified and described under Section 4 of this CHIA. Impacts to these resources range from demolition of inventoried properties at 92 John Street North (3-storey masonry structure), 96 John Street North (1-storey structure), 100 John Street North (2-storey structure), and 81 Wilson Street (2-1/2 storey structure) — to suitable streetscape connection of adjacent properties with a proposed large scale development. As such, the main impact foreseen will be related to the heritage resources' adjacency to the new development and the general 'fit' within the existing scale of the surrounding environs. Visual impacts will be inevitable as a result of the introduction of a new scale of development within an existing area featuring low-rise buildings. Mitigating strategies have been introduced in order to reduce impacts to adjacent heritage properties.

#### **Properties on Development site:**

1. <u>92 John Street North "Gary Procter Building" — (c. 1959). Inventoried</u> on City's Heritage Register in 2014.

The property is proposed to be demolished. It is not a heritage resource as its evaluation revealed it does not meet any criteria for cultural heritage value as determined in the attached CHER (see Appendix IV). As a result, its demolition will not be considered a negative heritage impact. A commemorative plague is therefore not warranted given the absence of any heritage interest. Exterior photography can be taken as a means to record the existing building, and existing photographs highlighting remaining building elements has been included in Section 4 of this report. The work required to adequately salvage remaining materials (glazed brick, mosaic tiles) with the proposed new development does not appear to be justified by the significance of the property. As such, its proposed to be demolished. The proposed demolition will therefore not constitute, in our view, a negative impact on cultural heritage value. Existing materials on the building can be removed and properly sorted by a contractor for later re-use or repurpose on other projects, such as the brick masonry or for recycling (such as tile and concrete).

A Documentation and Salvage Report will be made available under a separate cover.

2. 96 John Street North — (c. 1890). Inventoried on City's Heritage Register in 2014.

The property is proposed to be demolished. It is not a heritage resource as its evaluation revealed it does not meet any criteria for cultural heritage value. As a result, its demolition will not be considered a negative heritage impact. Exterior photography can be taken as a means to record the existing building, and existing photographs highlighting remaining building elements has been included in Section 4 of this report. A Documentation and Salvage Report will be available under a separate cover.

3. 100 John Street North — (c. 1900). Inventoried on City's Heritage Register in 2014.

The property is proposed to be demolished. It is not a heritage resource as its evaluation revealed it does not meet any criteria for cultural heritage value. As a result, its demolition will not be considered a negative heritage impact. Exterior photography can be taken as a means to record the existing building, and existing photographs highlighting remaining building elements has been included in Section 4 of this report. Existing materials such as original wood beams, can be removed and properly sorted by a contractor and have good potential for for later re-use. A Documentation and Salvage Report will be available under a separate cover

## 4. <u>81 Wilson Street — (c. 1880). Inventoried on City's Heritage Register in 2014.</u>

This 2 1/2 storey brick structure (with stucco cladding, and Portecochère) is the remaining half of a semi-detached dwelling, removed from the site in the early 20th century. A collection of remaining 2 1/2 storey brick residences of the same vintage, in better repair, are located immediately to the east of the development site. The property is proposed to be demolished. It is not a heritage resource as its evaluation revealed it does not meet any criteria for cultural heritage value. As a result, its demolition will not be considered a negative heritage impact. Exterior photography can be taken as a means to record the existing building, and existing photographs highlighting remaining building elements has been included in Section 4 of this report.

#### Adjacent:

# 5. <u>114 John Street North, Stewart Memorial Church—(c. 1848/1905).</u> Designated on City's Heritage Register in 1993 under OHA.

The proposed height of the podium along John Street North is compatible with the heights of the Church. The podium volume has taken into consideration the existing height context along this street, and does not reduce the integrity of Stewart Memorial Church which is located two properties north. While the introduction of a new massing in the vicinity will create a visual impact, 114 John Street North will not be negatively impacted or loose its presence on John Street North. This existing building, along with the new proposed massing, will establish a new context to the street in a manner that respects the presence of the existing church. There will be shadows cast toward the property at various times of the day, but given their transient nature, will not negate the residences' physical attributes.

## 6. <u>113-115 Catherine Street — (c. 1900)</u>. Registered on City's Heritage Register in 2014.

This semi-detached structure backs onto the proposed development and will not be affected by the development. It will retain its heritage value and presence along Catherine Street. There will be shadows cast on the rear

yard of 113-115 Catherine Street at various times of the day. Shadows cast will not negate the residences' physical attributes.

## 7. <u>97 John Street North — (c. 1898). Chinese Community Centre Association of Canada.</u> Registered on City's Heritage Register in 2014.

The former structure, located across John Street North, was demolished in 2022 with a permit and approval by heritage staff.

### 8. <u>87 Wilson Street — (c. 1890). Registered on City's Heritage Register in 2014.</u>

A collection of remaining 2 1/2 storey brick residences are located immediately to the east of the development site. A walkway and generous tower setback will provide clearance and a visual buffer between the adjacent heritage properties and the new proposed 16m massing to mitigate visual impacts on the existing buildings. The height of the new base building along Wilson Street will read as a five-storey building. As the proposed development is physically separate from the brick residences and setback generously from them (with separation provided by a walkway), there will be no heritage impacts on 87 Wilson Street, and properties to the east of this.

#### **Shadow impacts**

The introduction of a new development with tall buildings will cast new shadows in the vicinity, as well as the James Street North Streetscape, identified as a Cultural Heritage Landscape in the City of Hamilton's Official Plan. Shadows typically travel in a transitory manner and generally do not impact on the appearance of heritage features on a building. For the case of the James Street North Streetscape, shadows will be cast in the morning time, for a short period of time. In our view, this shadowing impact will not negate the heritage value of this streetscape.

Complete shadow studies have been prepared by StudioJCI for the proposed development and are included in Appendix IIO. To the right is an example for March 21, for the times noted below. In yellow are net new shadows arising from the proposed development, and in pink are shadow impacts from an as-of-right development.

The most significant shadowing will occur on March 21 between 12:48 pm and 4:48pm, covering the rear portion of 114 John Street North, Stewart Memorial Church and a portion of 113-115 Catherine Street. Heritage attributes for both of these properties will not be unduly impacted.

In consideration of the above, the proposed location and massing of the development adequately limits shadow impact on the adjacent buildings. These shadows will be transient, and heritage attributes of these buildings will not be unduly impacted.



12:48 am.



13:23 pm. (solar noon)



4:48 pm.

#### Massing and material impacts

The insertion of a new high-rise development into an area of predominantly low to mid-rise buildings will create visual impacts, compounded by the fact that the subject site is a large assembly with a majority occupied by a surface parking lot. The proposed massing is broken down to address the streetscape by creating a low-rise podium, and a mid-rise volume that is visually separate from the high-rise towers. The podium design and height varies according to the street elevation.

The proposed podium volume on the east side of John Street North reads as a five-storey tall building(encompassing the ground level being a double height space), which is higher than, yet comparable to, the brick buildings on the east side of John Street North and the south side of Wilson Street. It is designed with a solid (brick) to void (glass) ratio that is comparable to existing buildings, while allowing more glazing in line with contemporary design to showcase retail areas. The proposed brick masonry materiality is consistent with the current materials of all buildings along Wilson Street and John Street North. The proposed brick colour (Wyndham) is a light beige and white tone. While this colour is different from the standard reds, brown and burgundy found on John Street North, the proposed new colour aims to connect with the existing Gary Procter Building at 92 John Street North, adding both a contemporary and distinguishable touch to the streetscape while being consistent in materiality.

There is currently no context along the south side of Wilson Street in the vicinity of the subject site as both sides of the street are surface parking lots. The existing church building provides the only point of reference along the street. The difference in materiality between the brick church and the proposed light beige bricks with metal framing and glass will visually distinguish between the various eras.

John Street North is a three-lane street where both sides are at some distance from each other. The west streetwall consists of a variety of building types, of various heights (from one to three storeys) and of various materials. The proposed new massing on the is separate and distinguishable from the context on the east side and will not impact the heritage resources located along John Street North and Wilson Street.



The proposed streetscape at Wilson Street showing the introduction of a new material template, and scale adjustments to provide legible connections to the existing context.





The proposed streetscape at John Street North showing the introduction of a new material template, and a number of options to treat the storefront.

#### 7. CONCLUSION

The proposed development intensifies a currently under-utilized site to include a mix of uses. The development is adjacent to a number of heritage resources, and its location within the southern portion of the Wilson / Catherine / Cannon and John Street North block and will remove a number of inventoried resources within that block, including 92 John Street North (3-storey masonry structure), 96 John Street North (1-storey structure), 100 John Street North (2-storey structure), and 81 Wilson Street (2-1/2 storey structure). GBCA prepared an independent evaluation, and it is our opinion that based on this evaluation, the properties do not meet the criteria for cultural heritage value and is not proposed for retention in the project.

The addition of a new mixed-use and multi-storey development will have a visual impact within the surroundings. Based on drawings reviews at this time by GBCA, mitigation strategies have been applied to the proposed design as a means to conserve the heritage value of adjacent heritage resources. Adjacent buildings that are registered or designated in the City's Municipal Heritage Register will maintain their integrity.

The proposed development at 92 John Street will be clearly of its own time and place, adapting a compatible material template, and the introduction of setbacks and transitions to respond to the addition of 31-storeys into a commercial area that has a range of heights and uses, both currently and planned. The podium responds to the established heights in the area and will recreate a consistent street wall along both John Street North and Wilson Street.

Shadow impacts have been identified 114 John Street North, Stewart Memorial Church and a portion of 113-115 Catherine Street. These will be transitory in nature and will not materially affect the heritage attributes of these properties.

In our view, and in light of consideration of mitigating strategies to reduce impacts to adjacent heritage properties, this proposal balances demands for *intensification* with respect for *heritage adjacencies* in a manner that allows both objectives to be appreciated as a part of a complex and changing urban environment.

#### 8. CLOSURE

The information and data contained herein represents GBCA's best professional judgment in light of the knowledge and information available to GBCA at the time of preparation. GBCA denies any liability whatsoever to other parties who may obtain access to this report for any injury, loss or damage suffered by such parties arising from their use of, or reliance upon, this report or any of its contents without the express written consent of GBCA and the client.

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#### APPENDIX I

### Standards and Guidelines for the Conservation of Historic Places in Canada

# THE STANDARDS

The Standards are not presented in a hierarchical order. All standards for any given type of treatment must be considered, and applied where appropriate, to any conservation project.

### General Standards for Preservation, Rehabilitation and Restoration

- Conserve the heritage value of an historic place. Do not remove, replace or substantially alter its intact or repairable characterdefining elements. Do not move a part of an historic place if its current location is a character-defining element.
- Conserve changes to an historic place that, over time, have become character-defining elements in their own right.
- Conserve heritage value by adopting an approach calling for minimal intervention.
- Recognize each historic place as a physical record of its time, place and use. Do not create a false sense of historical development by adding elements from other historic places or other properties, or by combining features of the same property that never coexisted.
- Find a use for an historic place that requires minimal or no change to its character-defining elements.
- 6. Protect and, if necessary, stabilize an historic place until any subsequent intervention is undertaken. Protect and preserve archaeological resources in place. Where there is potential for disturbing archaeological resources, take mitigation measures to limit damage and loss of information.
- Evaluate the existing condition of character-defining elements to determine the appropriate intervention needed. Use the gentlest means possible for any intervention. Respect heritage value when undertaking an intervention.
- Maintain character-defining elements on an ongoing basis. Repair character-defining elements by reinforcing their materials using recognized conservation methods. Replace in kind any extensively deteriorated or missing parts of character-defining elements, where there are surviving prototypes.
- Make any intervention needed to preserve character-defining elements physically and visually compatible with the historic place and identifiable on close inspection. Document any intervention for future reference.

#### **Additional Standards Relating to Rehabilitation**

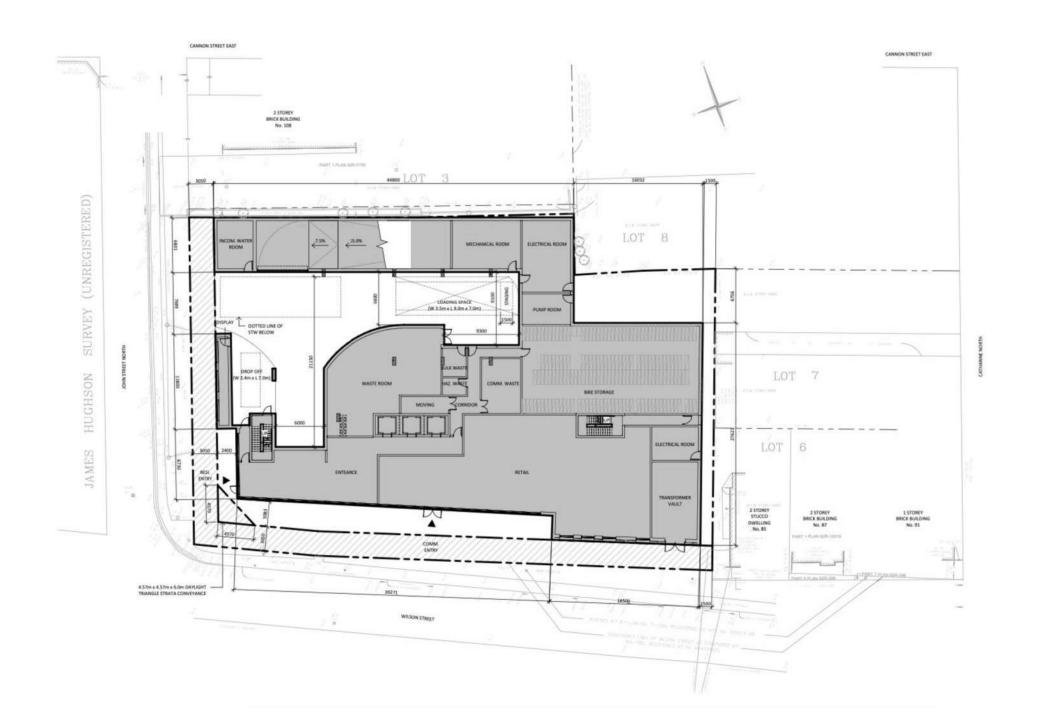
- 10. Repair rather than replace character-defining elements. Where character-defining elements are too severely deteriorated to repair, and where sufficient physical evidence exists, replace them with new elements that match the forms, materials and detailing of sound versions of the same elements. Where there is insufficient physical evidence, make the form, material and detailing of the new elements compatible with the character of the historic place.
- 11. Conserve the heritage value and character-defining elements when creating any new additions to an historic place or any related new construction. Make the new work physically and visually compatible with, subordinate to and distinguishable from the historic place.
- 12. Create any new additions or related new construction so that the essential form and integrity of an historic place will not be impaired if the new work is removed in the future.

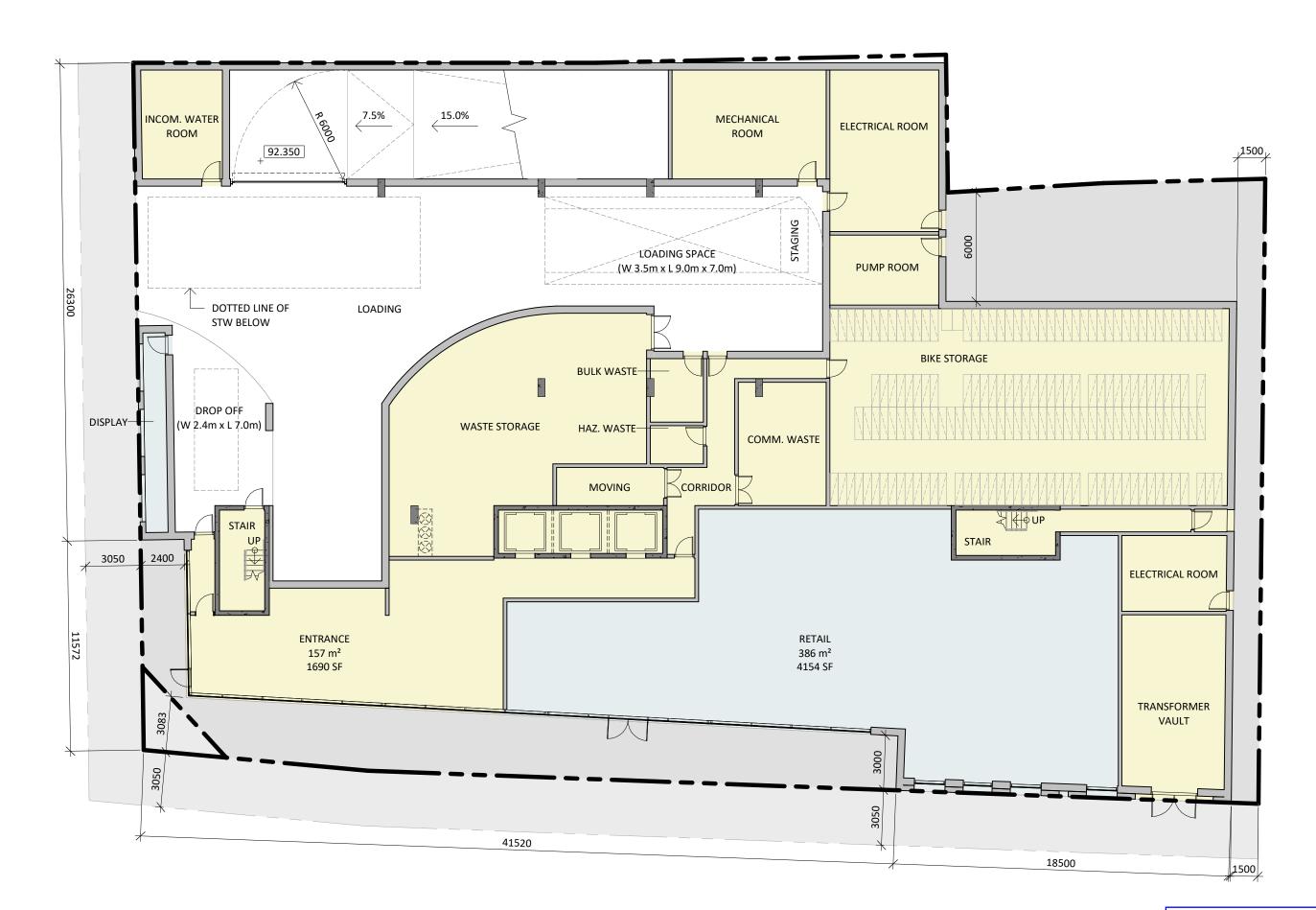
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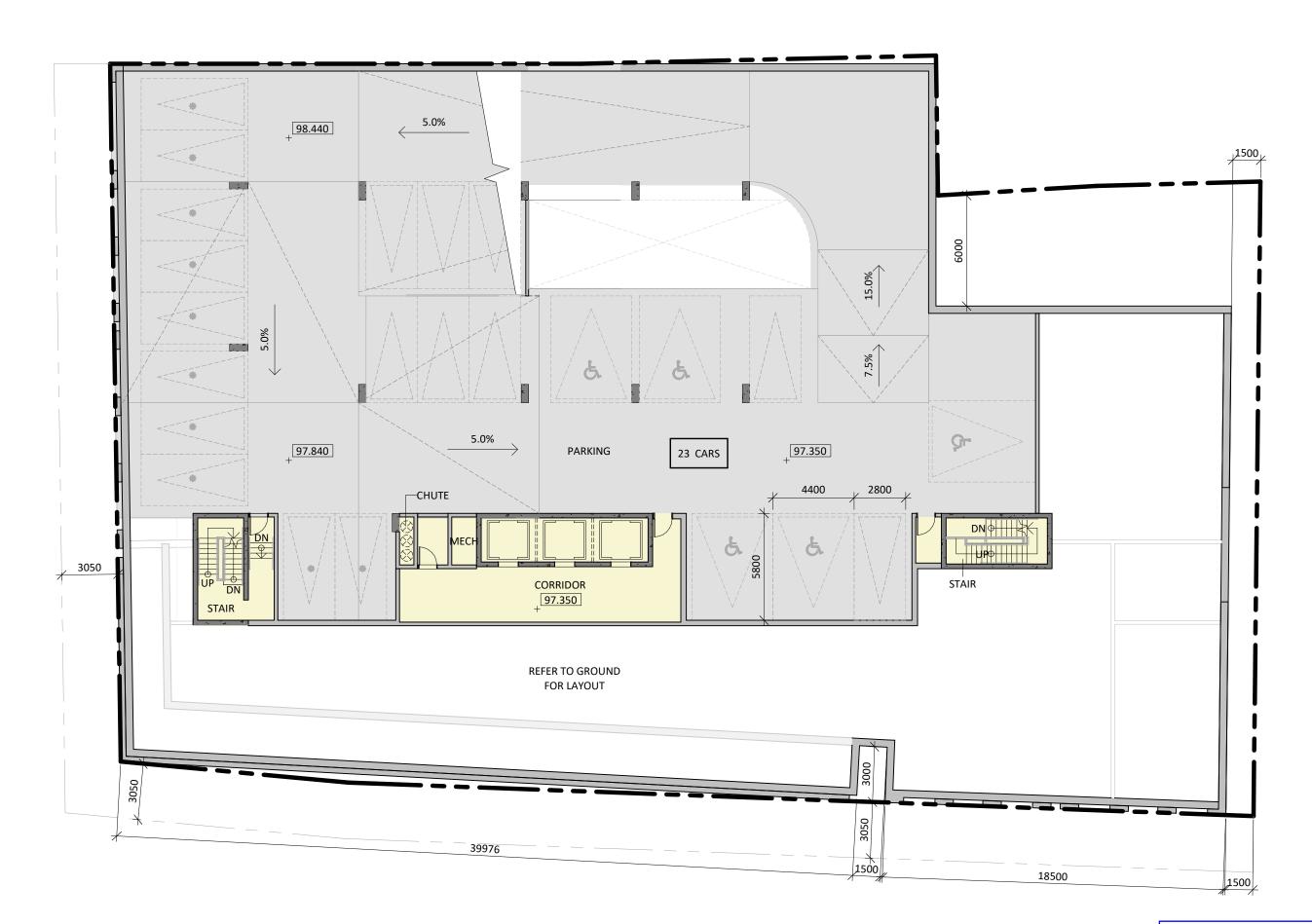
- 13. Repair rather than replace character-defining elements from the restoration period. Where character-defining elements are too severely deteriorated to repair and where sufficient physical evidence exists, replace them with new elements that match the forms, materials and detailing of sound versions of the same elements.
- 14. Replace missing features from the restoration period with new features whose forms, materials and detailing are based on sufficient physical, documentary and/or oral evidence.

### **APPENDIX II**

Development Drawings as prepared by StudioJCI

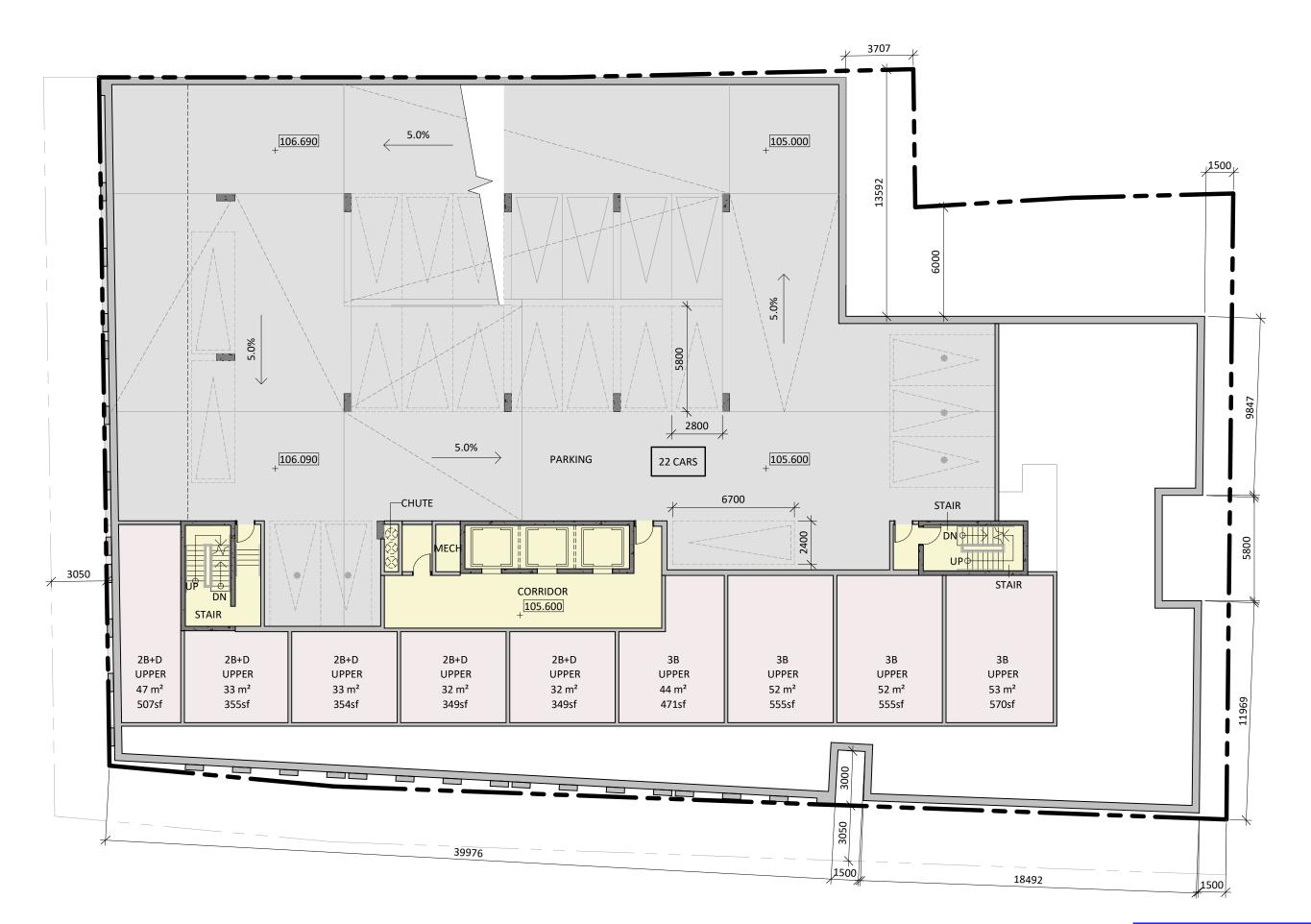


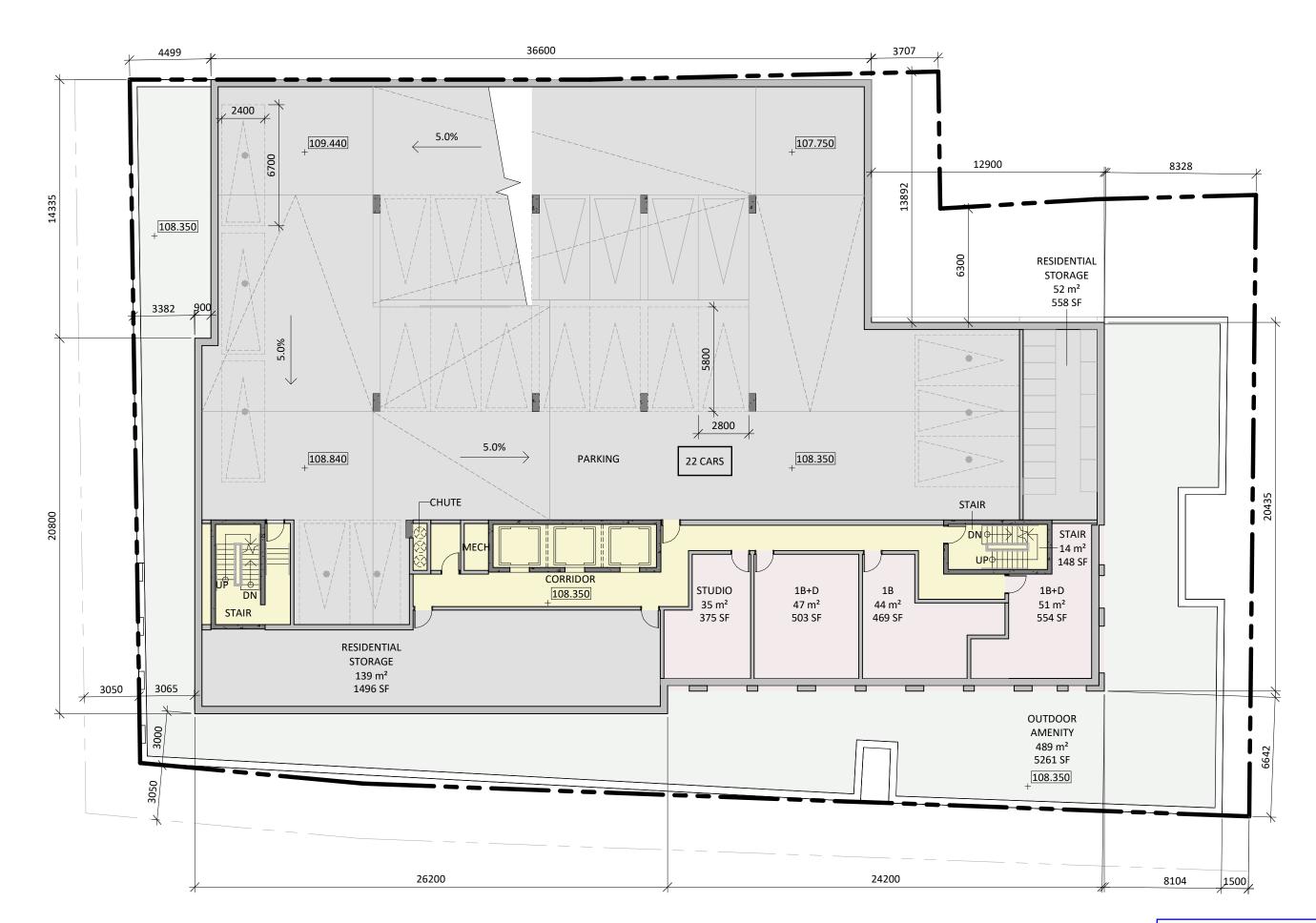


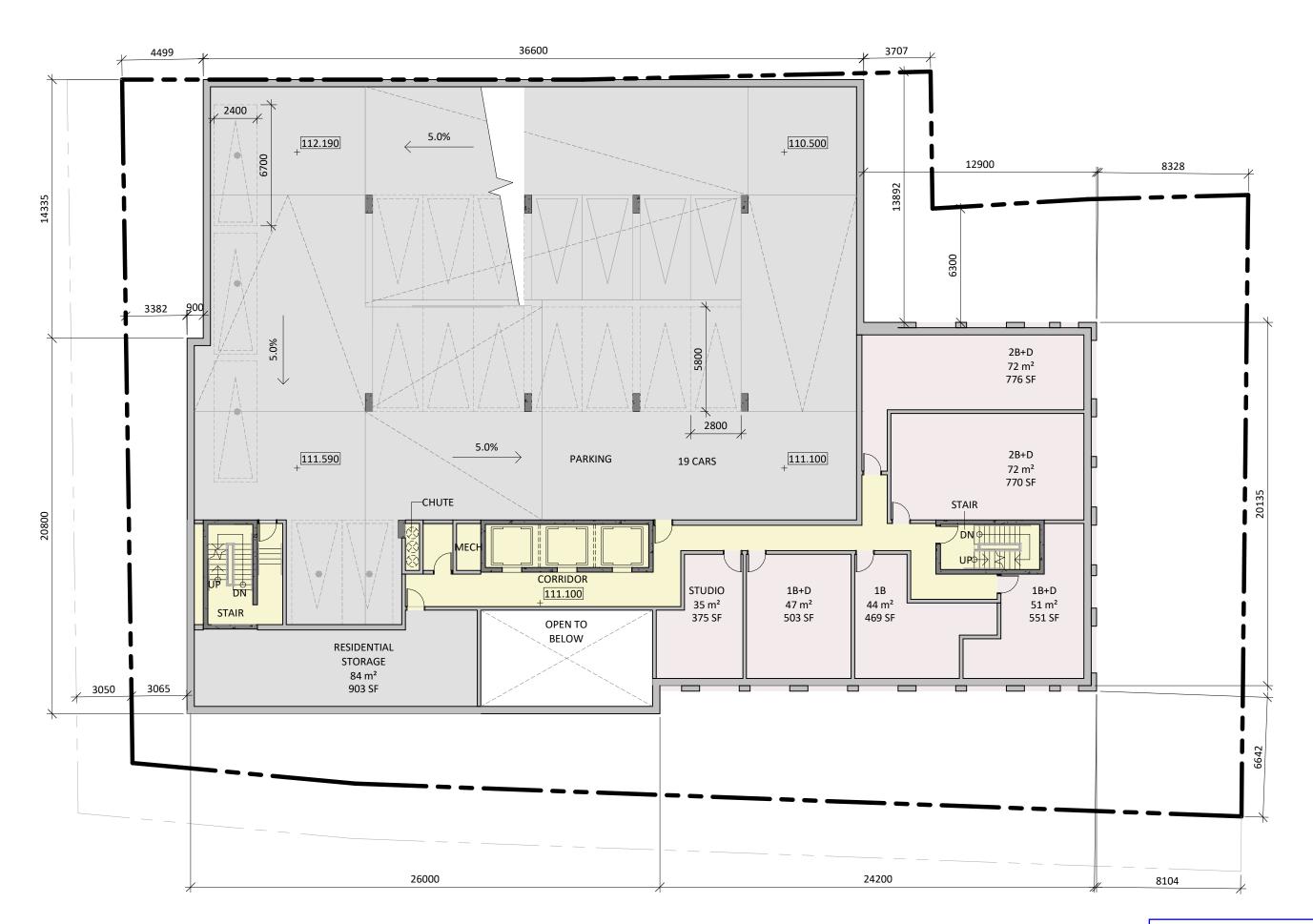


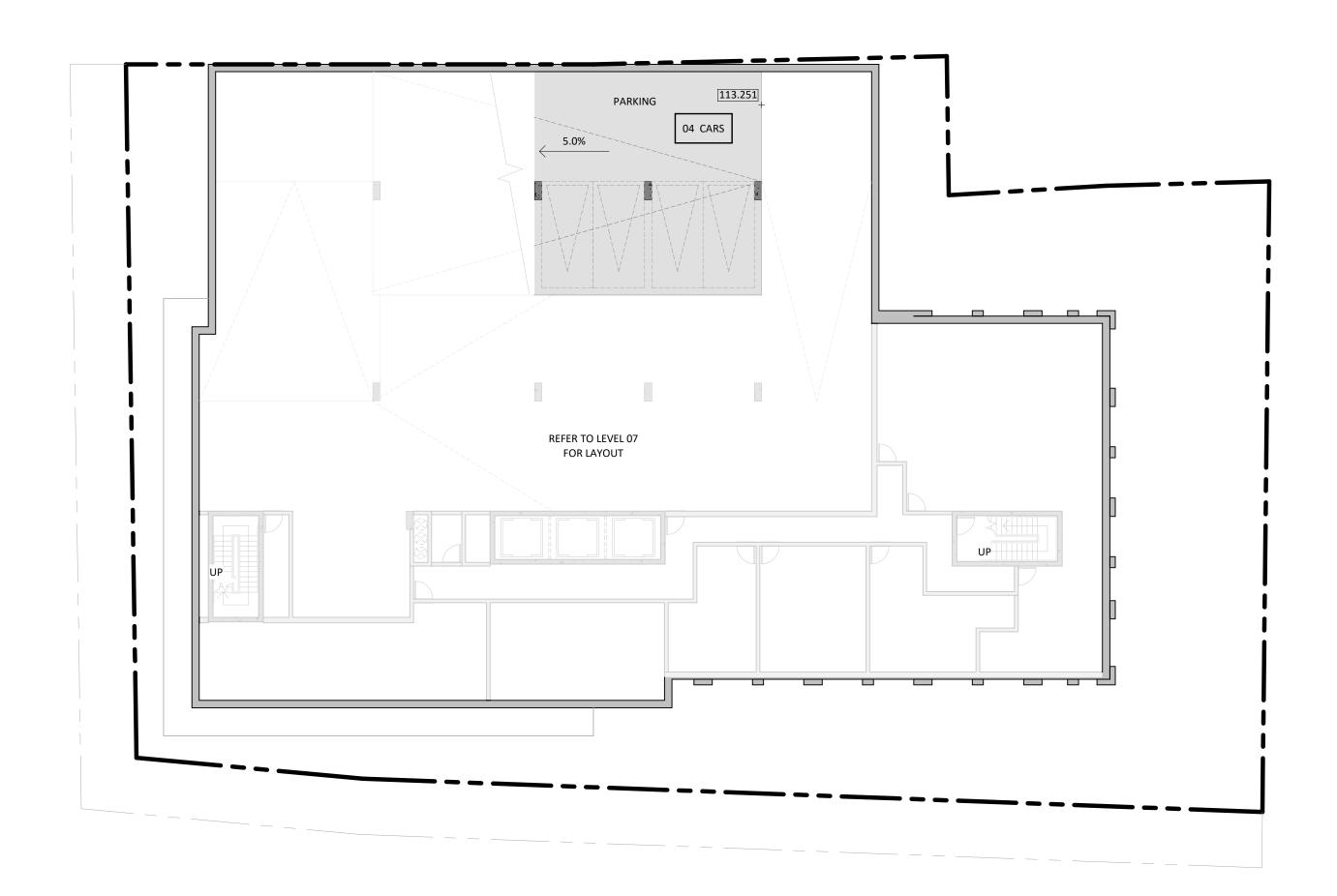








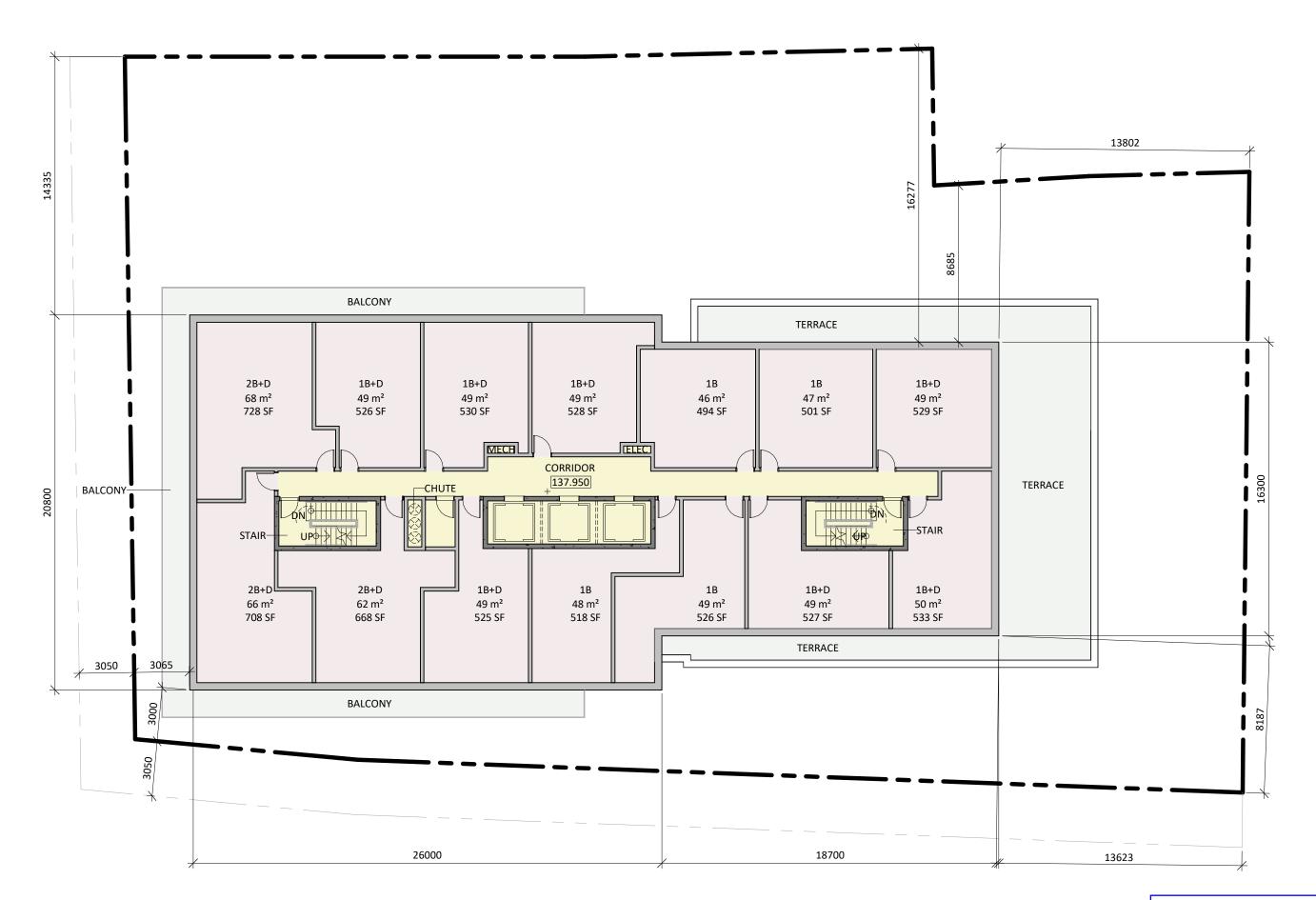


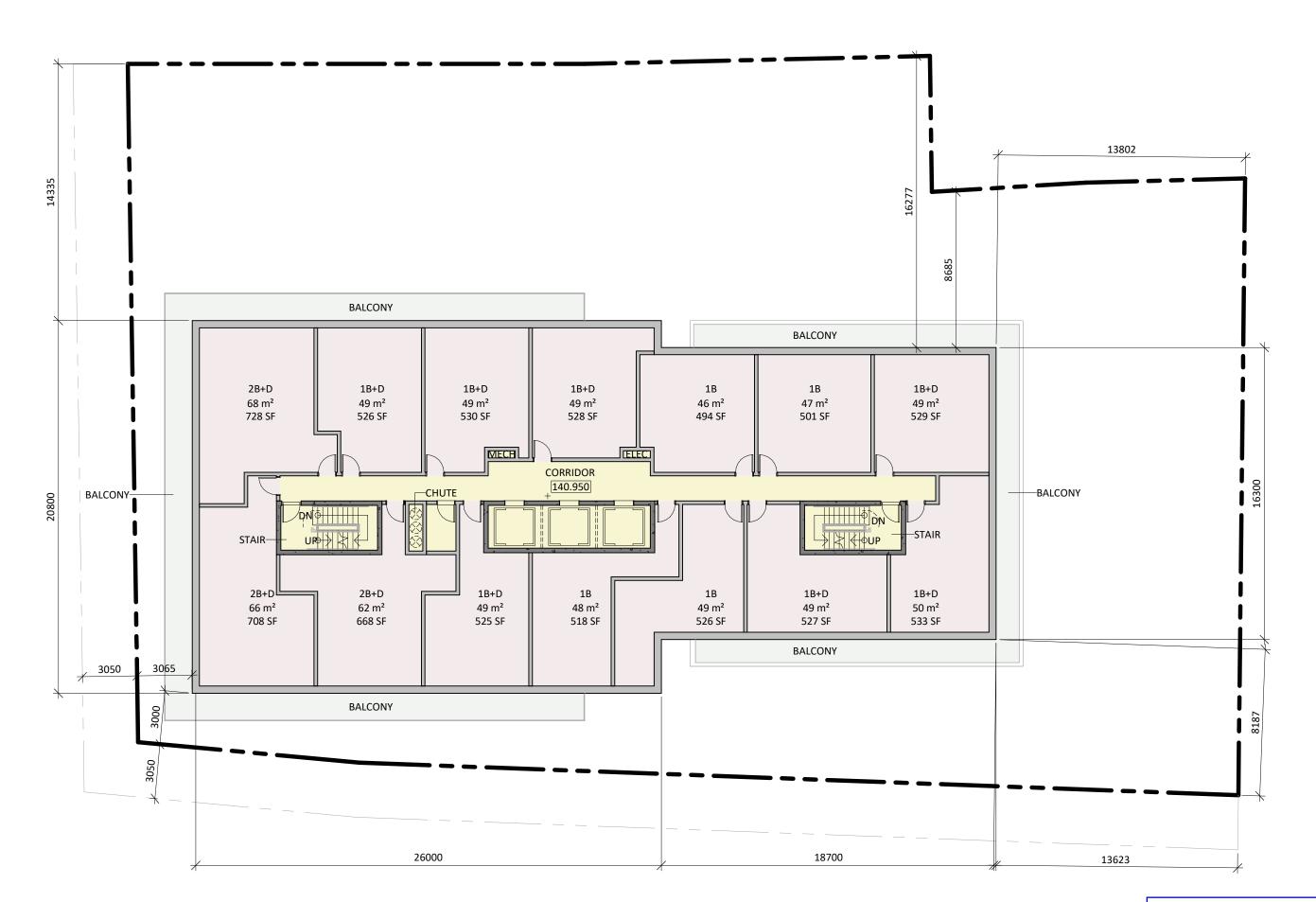


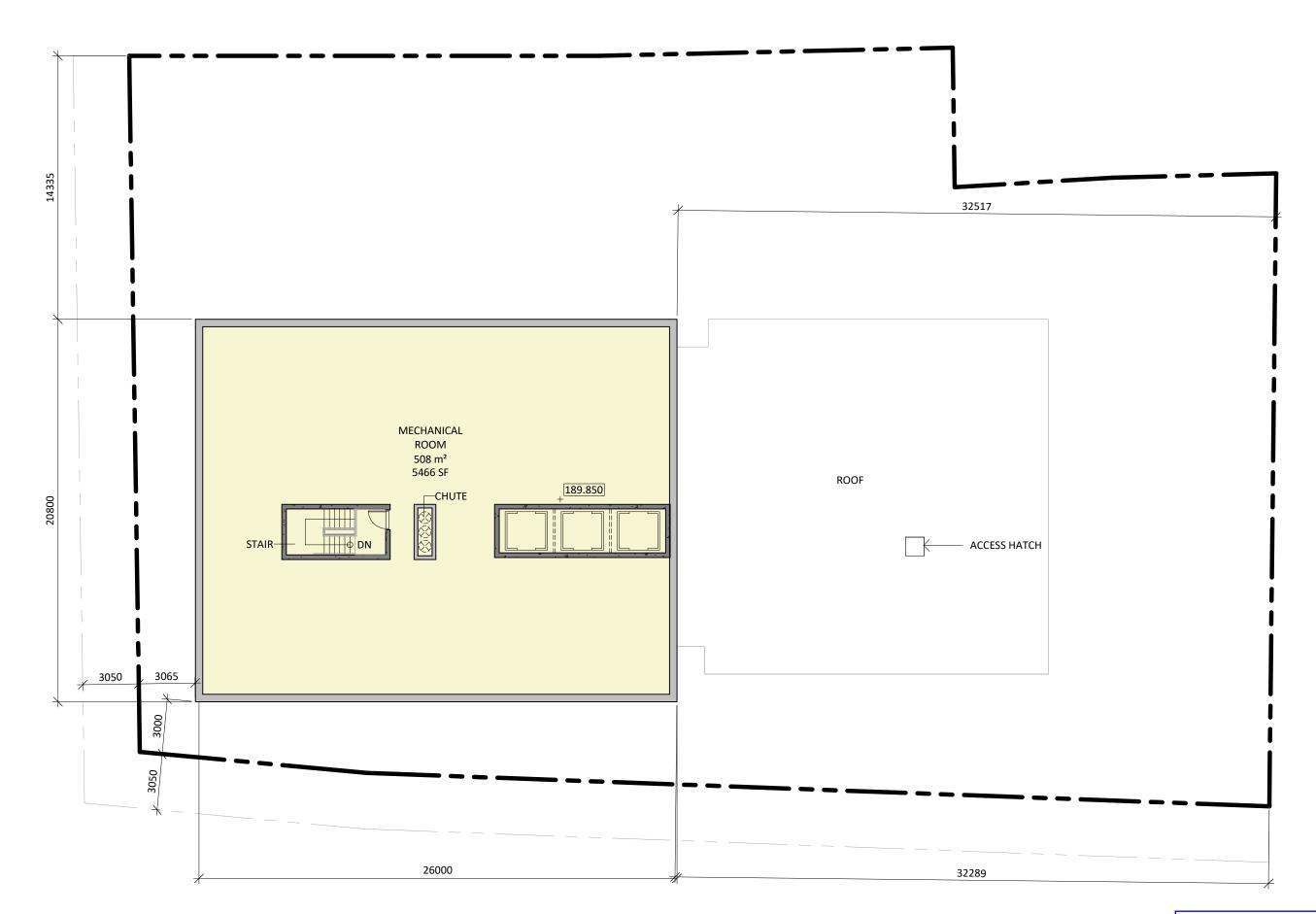


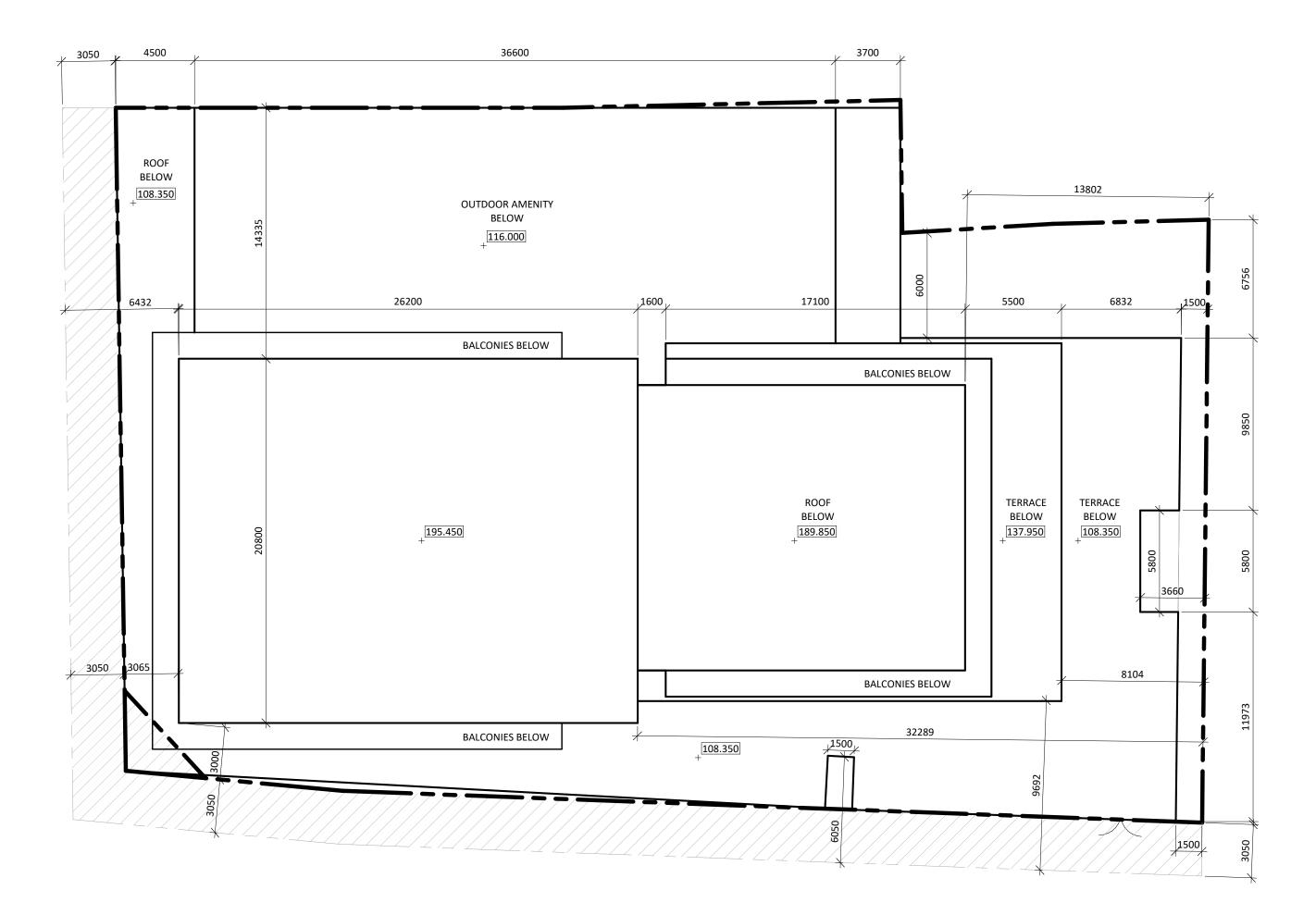


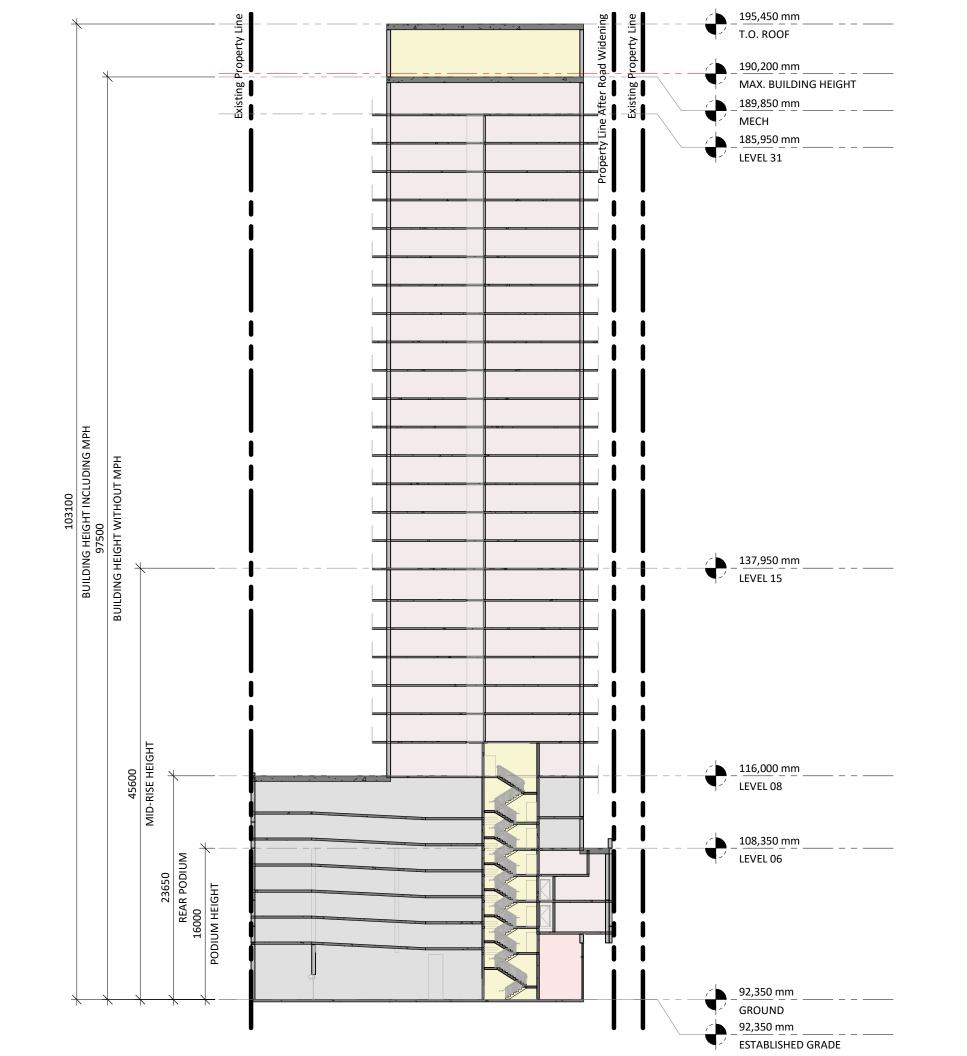


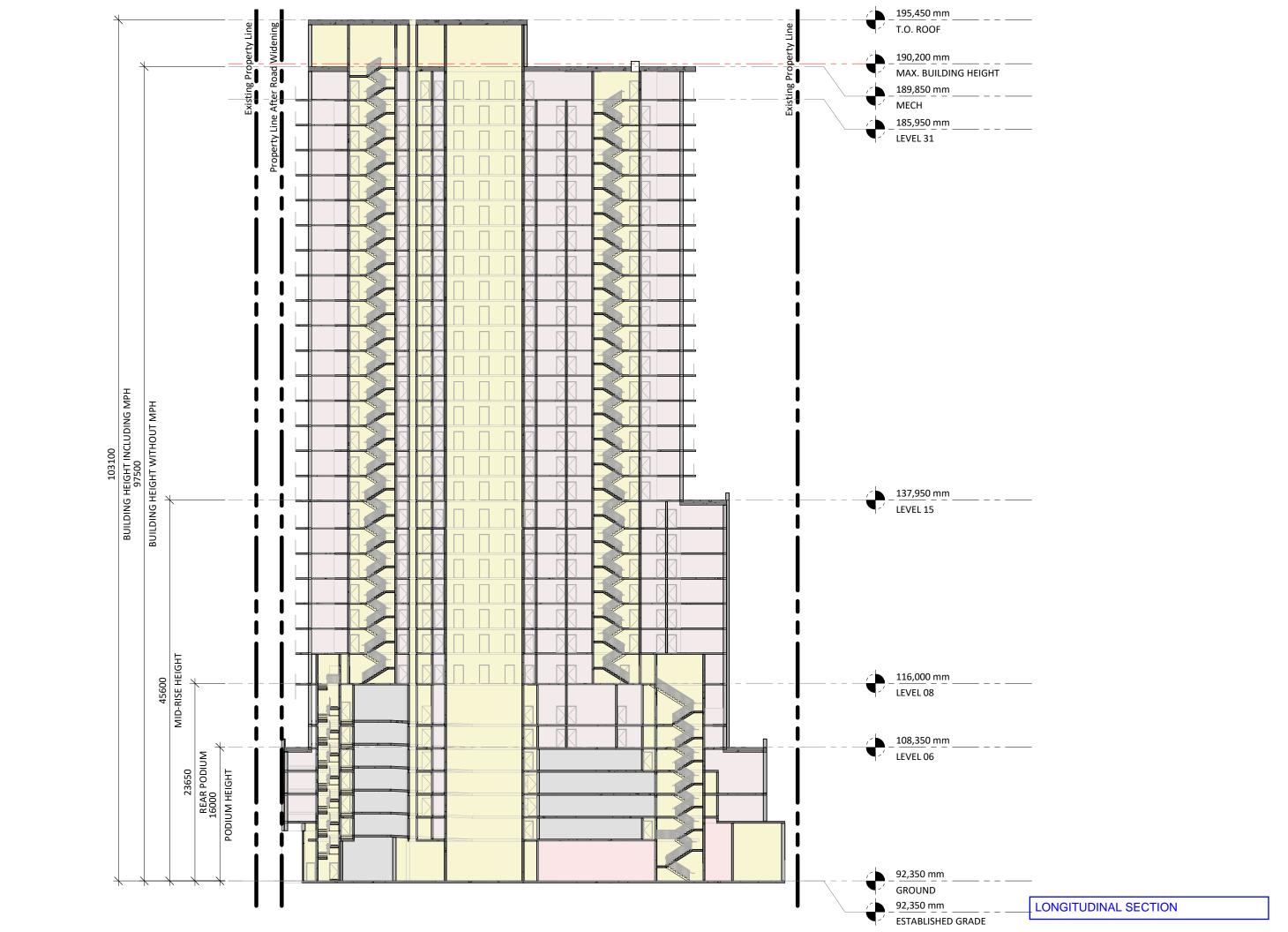












# **APPENDIX III**

Shadow Studies as prepared by StudioJCI

# **Sun Shadow Studies: March 21**



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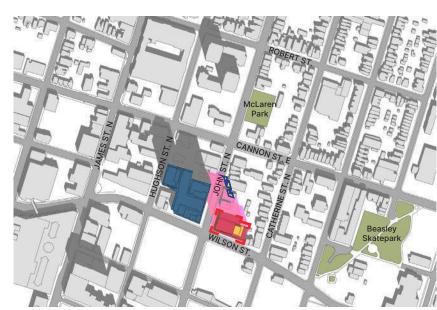
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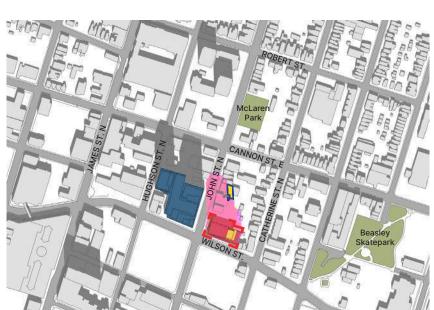
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Existing Massing

Shadow of Existing Massing



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13:23 pm. (solar noon)

Applicant Proposal

Shadow of Applicant Proposal

As-of-Right Massing

Shadow of As-of-Right Massing

Outline of New Net Shadow

# **Sun Shadow Studies: March 21**



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# **APPENDIX IV**

92 John Street North CHER





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#### RE: 92 John Street North, Hamilton

As requested, GBCA provides here our professional opinion on the potential of heritage value at the property located at 92 John Street North, Hamilton.

#### **Current Heritage Status of 92 John Street North**

The property at 92 John Street North is included on the City of Hamilton's Municipal Heritage Register. The Register consists of properties that are designated under Parts IV (Individual) and V (Heritage Conservation Districts) of the *Ontario Heritage Act*, along with properties that are non-designated or "listed." The property at 92 John Street North is "listed" and was already included on the list prior to the more recent Downtown Built Heritage Inventory Project. That project, which was undertaken in 2014, was implemented as a means of developing a framework to efficiently and effectively evaluate the heritage value of all properties in the area bounded by Queen, Hunter, Wellington and Cannon Streets (as divided into seven precincts or neighbourhoods).

During the recent Inventory Project, the property at 92 John Street North was evaluated as part of the Beasley neighbourhood but was neither classified as a "Character-Supporting Resource" nor as a "Character-Supporting Resource." A Character-Supporting Resources is defined as a property that maintains or supports its historic context(s), and can be related to a characteristic pattern of development or activity, property type, or attribute of the area. Of the 830 properties evaluated in the Beasley neighbourhood, the majority were classified as Character-Supporting, suggesting that the overall heritage value of properties in this precinct lies in the sum of the contextual values of many buildings and streetscapes. A Character-Defining Resource is defined as a property that strongly reinforces the historic context(s) and clearly reflects a characteristic pattern of development or activity, property type or attribute of the area. The Downtown Built Heritage Inventory Project simply concluded that 92 John Street North should "remain on the

inventory." During the course of our research, we were unable to find a "listing" report that describes the justification of the original listing for 92 John Street North.

#### **Evaluation**

In order to ensure objectivity in determining a property's heritage potential, it is best to base the opinion on a fact-based evaluation. Evaluation procedures of heritage properties vary across jurisdictions, and, within each jurisdiction, procedures vary depending on whether a property is "listed" or "designated" on the Heritage Register.

GBCA has provided cultural heritage evaluations for many clients in the past and generally we have employed the evaluation criteria that is related to the *Ontario Heritage* Act. Due to changes in the *Ontario Heritage* Act in 2005, a comprehensive evaluation procedure was implemented for properties to be designated under the Act. For a property to be designated under Section 29 of the *Ontario Heritage Act* it must be comprehensively evaluated against criteria known as *Ontario Regulation* 9/06. A property must meet "one or more" of the criteria grouped into the categories of Design/Physical Value, Historical/Associative Value and Contextual Value in order to be deemed to have heritage value.

Although some municipalities in Ontario have chosen to use the *Ontario Regulation* 09/06 when assessing value of non-designated, or "listed" properties considered for their municipal registers, screening properties for potential protection in accordance with the criteria in the regulation is a higher evaluation test than is generally required for listing non-designated properties on the register, where a less rigorous evaluation is common.

However the evaluation approach and categories of the regulation, which includes Design/ Physical Value, Historical/Associative Value, and Contextual Value, are useful to consider in a fact-based evaluation, and for this reason, GBCA has used the categories in developing our independent assessment of 92 John Street North. GBCA's evaluation was developed following a review of historical documentation that included archival mapping and photographs; primary archival materials found at the City of Hamilton Building Department; and, secondary sources such as local history publications. (Note that access to the Hamilton Public Library's Local History Collection/Special Collections was still unfortunately not available at the time of writing). City of Hamilton Planning documents were also reviewed. It should be noted that no physical assessment of the present condition of the building has been undertaken as part of this heritage evaluation.

A property must meet "one or more" of the criteria grouped into the categories of Design/Physical Value, Historical/Associative Value and Contextual Value in order to be deemed to have heritage value. The three categories are described below, followed by a brief assessment of 92 John Street North. Further details of the background research are appended to this report.

#### **Design or Physical Value**

A property is said to have design or physical value if it meets any of the following criteria:

- i. Rare, unique, representative or early example of a style, type, expression, material or construction method.
- ii. Displays a high degree of craftsmanship or artistic merit.
- iii. Demonstrates a high degree of technical or scientific achievement.

The building at 92 John Street North, which dates to the late-1950s/early 1960s, is a representative example of the International Style of architecture that was popular after the 1950s. It has a curtain wall with aluminum framing on the front/west facade, while the other major facade (the side/south facade) is clad in an expanse of white brick with no architectural ornamentation as typical of the International Style. However, the building does not display a high degree of craftsmanship or artistic merit (primarily being built of concrete block, with external styrofoam insulation system or aluminum siding), nor does it represent a high degree of technical achievement in its construction as some International Style buildings did when architects were experimenting with new modern technologies.

#### **Historical Value or Associative Value**

A property is said to have historical or associative value if it meets any of the following criteria:

- i. Has direct associations with a theme, event, belief, person, activity, organization or institution that is significant to a community.
- ii. Yields, or has the potential to yield, information that contributes to an understanding of a community or culture.
- iii. Demonstrates or reflects the work or ideas of an architect, artist, builder, designer or theorist who is significant to a community.

The building at 92 John Street North is not directly associated with a theme, event, person, organization or institution that is significant to the community, nor does it yield information that contributes to an understanding of a community or culture. It was built for the A.R.C. School of Welding and owned by Wilfred Proctor, who named the building "The Gary Proctor Building" after his deceased son.

The subject building was designed or altered by the architects Wall, Yamamoto and Matthews of Burlington, Ontario. During research for this report, little information could be found on the careers and output of Wall, Yamamoto and Matthews and this building's design could not be evaluated in relation to other works by the same architects.

#### **Contextual Value**

A property is said to have contextual value if it meets any of the following criteria:

- i. Is important in defining, maintaining, or supporting the character of an area.
- ii. Is physically, functionally, visually or historically linked to its surroundings.
- iii. Is a landmark

The building at 92 John Street North is not a landmark - although it appears quite prominent since it is on a corner in an area of the downtown that has seen much demolition and therefore is primarily surrounded in surface parking lots. It does not define, maintain or support the character of the Beasley neighbourhood, which was primarily nineteenth century residential, industrial, and institutional (church) buildings. Given its office/commercial use, the building is not functionally linked to its surroundings.

An analysis of the data contained in the Downtown Built Heritage Inventory Project reveals that the Beasley neighbourhood includes only ten properties from the 1950s, and therefore the period does not mark a significant one in the neighbourhood's historical development.

#### Conclusion

As previously stated, in order to be deemed to have heritage value, a property must meet "one or more" of the criteria grouped into the categories of Design/Physical Value, Historical/Associative Value and Contextual Value. We provide here an evaluation that concludes that due to its design value, the property at 92 John Street North could be said to meet one of the criteria for determining cultural heritage value - that being it is a representative example of a style from the era. However, none of the other criteria are satisfied and with limited value, the City of Hamilton may not determine it necessary to proceed to Designation under Part IV of the *Ontario Heritage Act*.

According to the City of Hamilton Planning Department website, the purpose of having non-designated properties on the Register is to promote knowledge of cultural heritage in the community; to provide easily accessible information for planners, property owners, developers and the general public; to help prioritize future designations; and to provide interim protection from demolition.

Listing on the Register is not the same as heritage designation under Parts IV or V of the *Ontario Heritage Act*. Listing does not legally restrict the permitted zoning use of a property and does not prevent interior or exterior alterations or changes to a property.

Listing does not prevent demolition but does provide interim 60-day protection from demolition by requiring owners to give the City notice of their intention to demolish. The 60-day interim period is intended to allow staff time to discuss alternatives for conservation of a property with the owner, including opportunities for retention and adaptive reuse. If alteration or demolition of a listed

property is proposed as part of a development application under the Planning Act, staff may require that a Cultural Heritage Impact Assessment be completed in support of the application in order to confirm the cultural heritage value or interest, assess the impact of the proposed demolition, and explore alternatives for conservation.

#### Closure

The information and data contained in this letter represents GBCA's best professional judgment in light of the knowledge and information available at the time of preparation. It is intended for use only by the recipient addressed above. We do not take responsibility for other parties who may obtain access to this report and for any issues arising from its use.

We hope that you find this information helpful for your purposes. Please feel free to contact our office if you would like to discuss further.

#### **GOLDSMITH BORGAL & COMPANY LTD. ARCHITECTS**

Sharon Vattay, Ph.D., C.A.H.P., Principal





#### **Background**

The subject property is located within an area of Hamilton that was historically one of mixed-use, whereby workers and middle-class housing was found on the same blocks as places of worship and/or institutional buildings. The block bounded by John Street, Wilson Street (then Gore Street), Catherine Street and Cannon Street was part of one of the earliest neighbourhoods in Hamilton and is a small portion of what was historically surveyed as Concession 2, Lot 14. Through Nathaniel Hughson's Survey, the block was further subdivided into multiple building lots. The subject property includes parts of 1 and 2 of Nathaniel Hughson's survey.

The lots on the block were sold to various landowners and speculators who constructed houses of various types, including detached and semi-detached houses - either brick or wood frame. A Methodist Church was erected on lots 4 and 5 of the block in 1848 at 112-114 John Street North - the former John Street Methodist Episcopal Church (later St. Paul's African Methodist Episcopal Church and now Stewart memorial Church). By the end of the nineteenth century, the block containing the subject property was almost entirely developed and subsequent changes came about following demolitions of the earliest residential structures - as was the case at the subject property, whereby an earlier nineteenth century semi-detached brick dwelling was demolished in the 1930s and the current structure was erected in the late 1950s/early 1960s.

The exact date of construction of the current structure at 92 John Street North has not been confirmed, however the following was determined. Architectural drawings (found at the City of Hamilton Building Department) for an office building for A.R.C. School of Welding at John and Gore Street are dated January/February 1958, however these drawings have several references to "existing" conditions, which would suggest that the drawings were for an addition to an already existing structure (see appended below). Yet, City Directories have no references to a building on the site until 1958 when the A.R.C. School of Welding first appears in the Directory. (The original nineteenth century semi-detached brick buildings had been demolished in the 1930s).

Although the above information would suggest that the building (or major alterations to an existing building), dates 1958, a Building Permit (Permit #18027), dated 22 May 1964, was issued for the construction of a three-storey addition (50′ x 37′) to an existing office building, which corresponds to the drawings dated 1958. Another Building Permit (Permit #42376), also dated 22 May 1964, was issued for interior alterations of second and third floor of a building at 92 John Street North. And, a set of blueprints at the City of Hamilton Building Department for a "proposed Building" also date 1964. Without conclusive evidence, we date the building 1958-1964.

At some point in its history (as appearing on Building Department records in a drawing dated 1969), the building was called The Gary Proctor Building (the name was mounted on the south elevation and remains there today). Gary Proctor (1945-1967) was the son of Wilfred Proctor, who was the owner/operator of the A.R.C. School of Welding. According to a reporter in the Hamilton Spectator (October 10, 2012), Wilfred Proctor erected and named the building after Proctor's son died in 1967 at the age of 22. The source of information is not provided, but the reporter surmises that the building was erected shortly after the death thus the Spectator article dates the building to the early 1970s. But given the information gleaned from the Building Records provided above, it is more likely that the building dates between 1958 and 1964, and perhaps the naming of the building as The Gary Proctor Building only came about in 1969. Little information could be found about the A.R.C. School of Welding.

The architects of the building (or of a major addition to an existing building) were a firm based out of Burlington, Ontario. Wall, Yamamoto and Matthews was founded in 1957 by William E. Wall and Robert S. Yamamoto (1924-2012), with David H. Matthews joining the firm a year later. According to secondary sources, the firm designed civic and cultural facilities, schools, churches, along with medical and commercial facilities, but little documentation can be found on the early work of this firm. One project advertised in the Ottawa Citizen was the Hampton Park Plaza, Ottawa, 1960-1961 and there is a reference to Wall and Yamamoto's work at the Canada Centre for Inland Waters, Burlington, 1968-1973. (The firm continues today as KNYMH Architects and remains headquartered in Burlington).

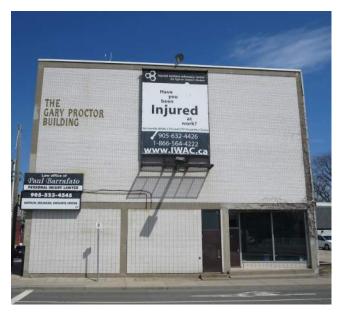
The three-storey building with basement consists of an irregularly shaped plan, angled to follow the line of Wilson (original Gore) Street. There are two entrances to the building - the entrance on the front/west facade leads to the stairwell that provides access to the office spaces on the ground, second and third floors - the stairs also led to the basement which was the original welding shop. Another entrance is on the side/south facade, which was originally designated for a storefront on the ground floor.

The building is primarily constructed of concrete block with a steel framing system. The front/west elevation is comprised mainly of a curtain wall system of aluminum fame with glazing and opaque spandrel panels. The concrete block along the base of this facade has been covered with a styrofoam insulation system. The side/south facade is clad in a white glazed brick - organized in two panels on the ground floor and a single expansive area of brick on the upper levels of the facade. This white brick continues for a few feet around the corner to the rear/east elevation but the majority of the east facade is comprised of concrete block (now covered partially with aluminum siding). This elevation was, when built, abutting a neighbouring house and was not visible. The north/side facade is similarly concrete block with a new cladding of aluminum siding.



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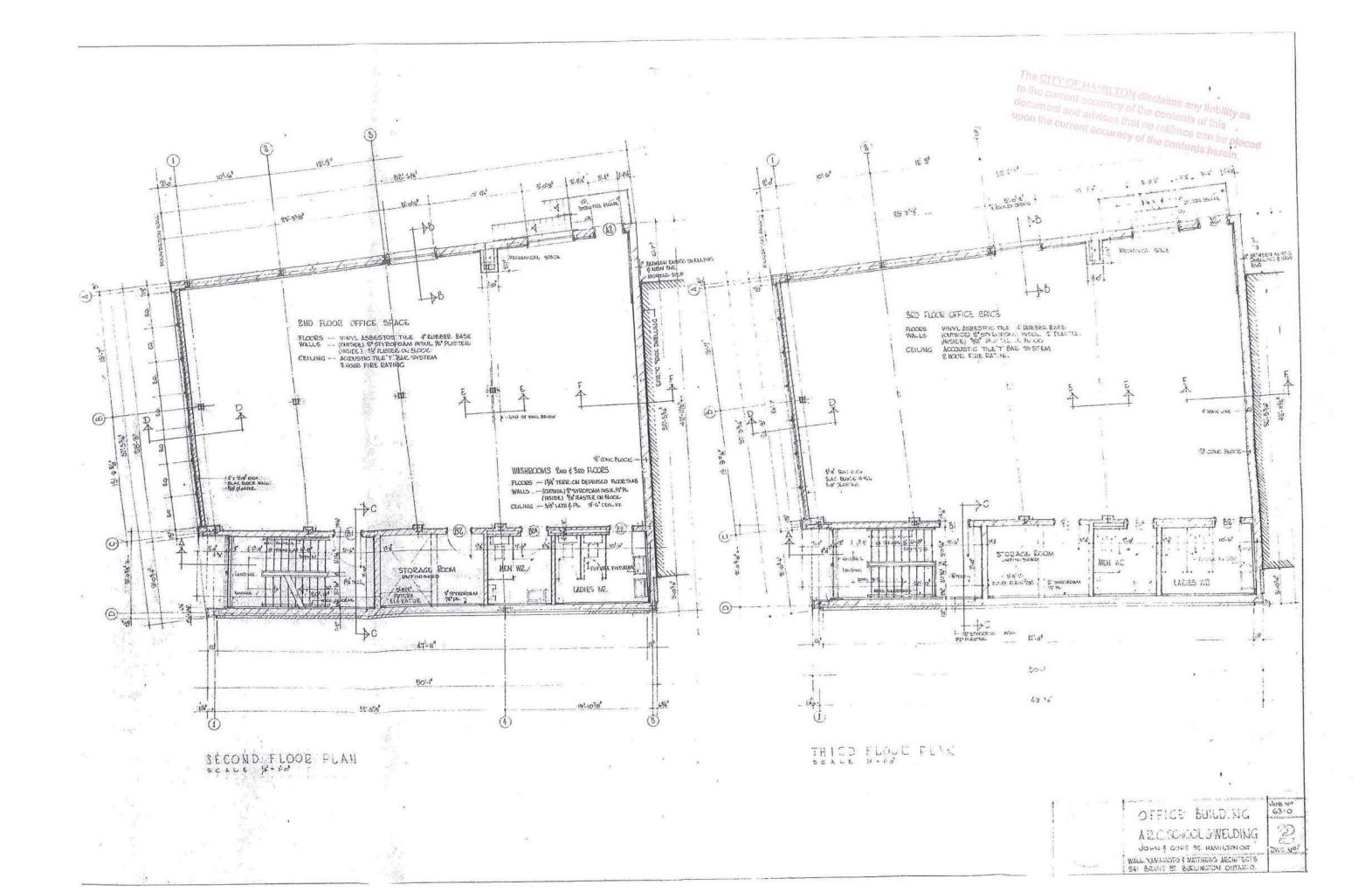


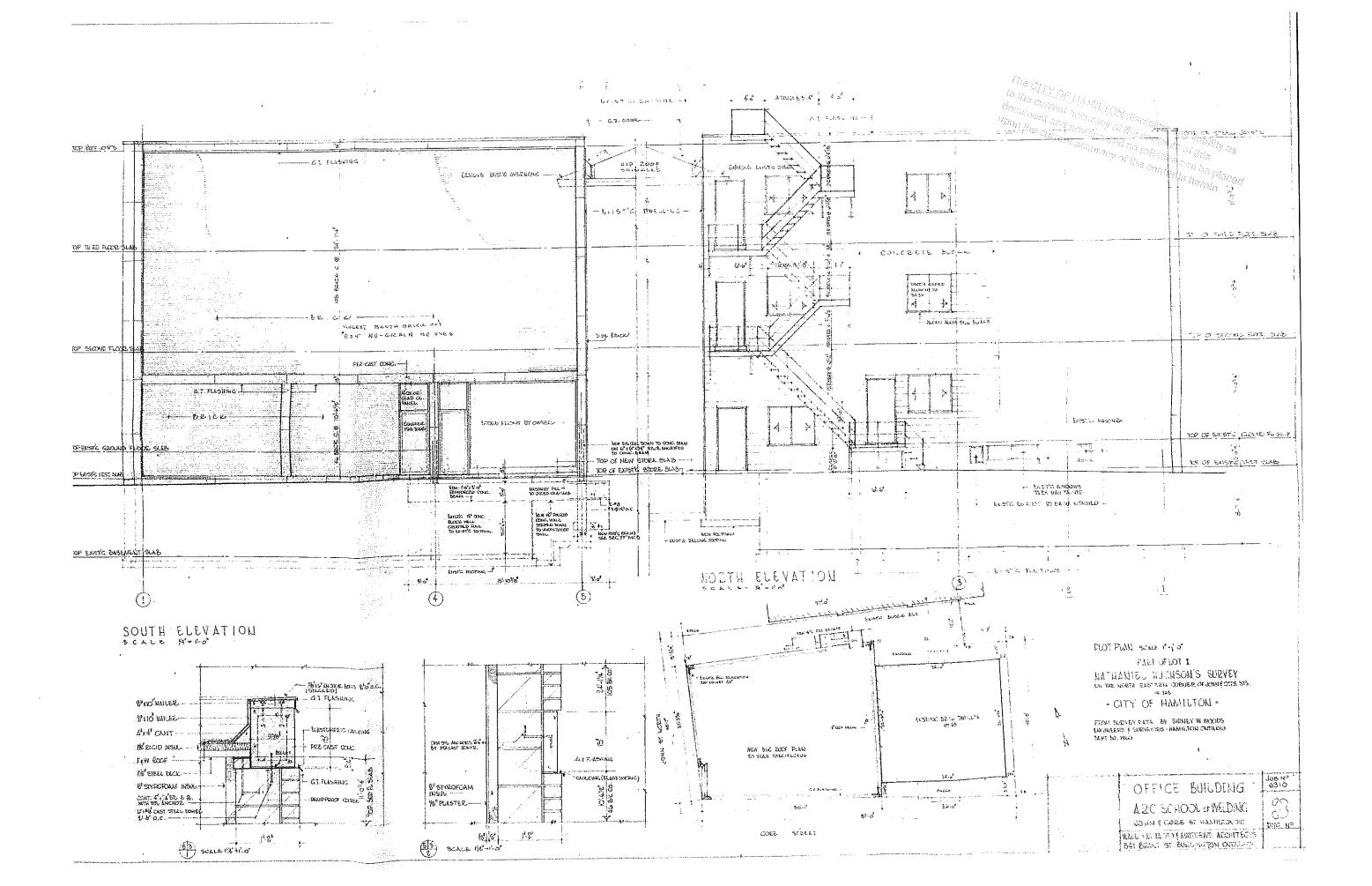


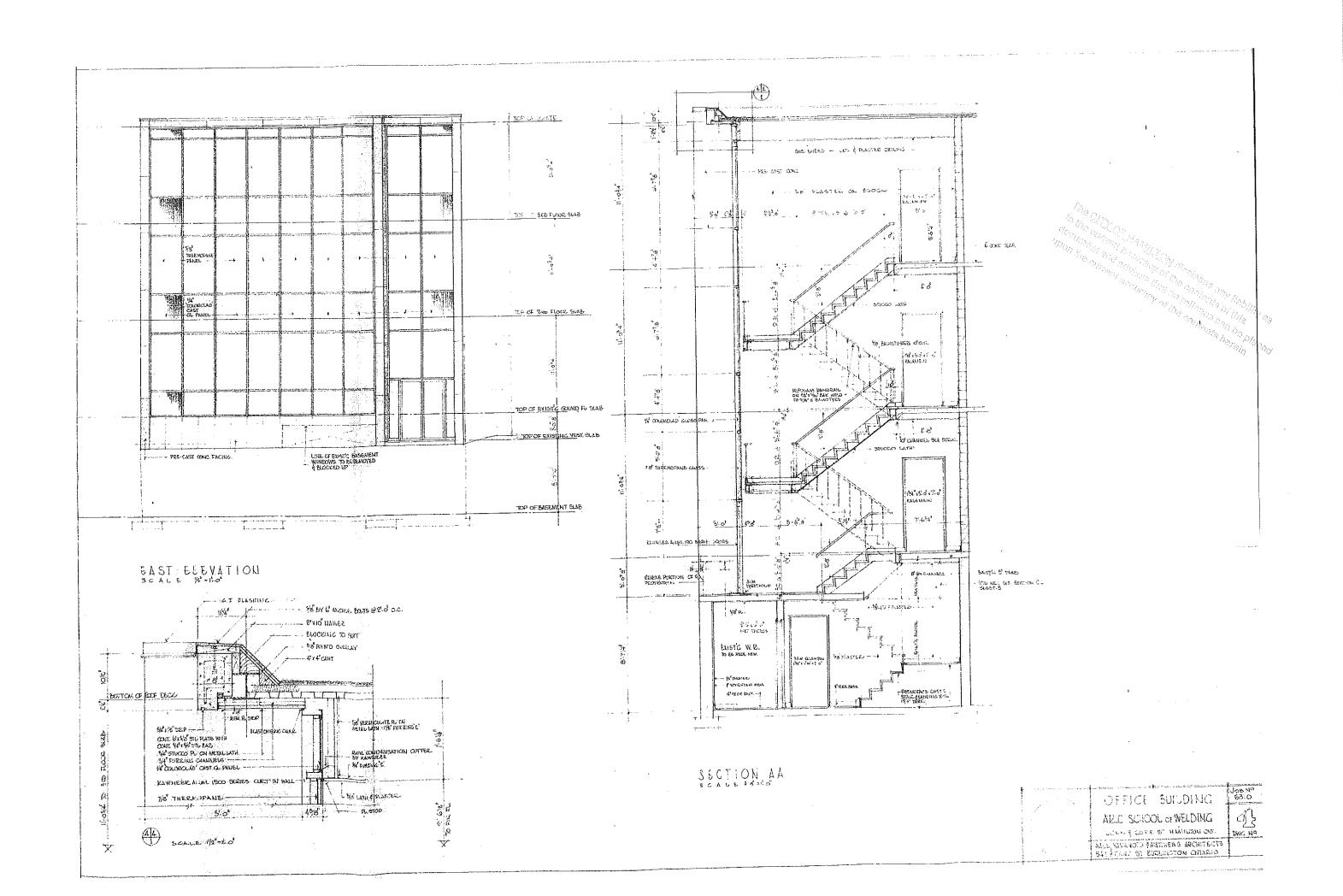


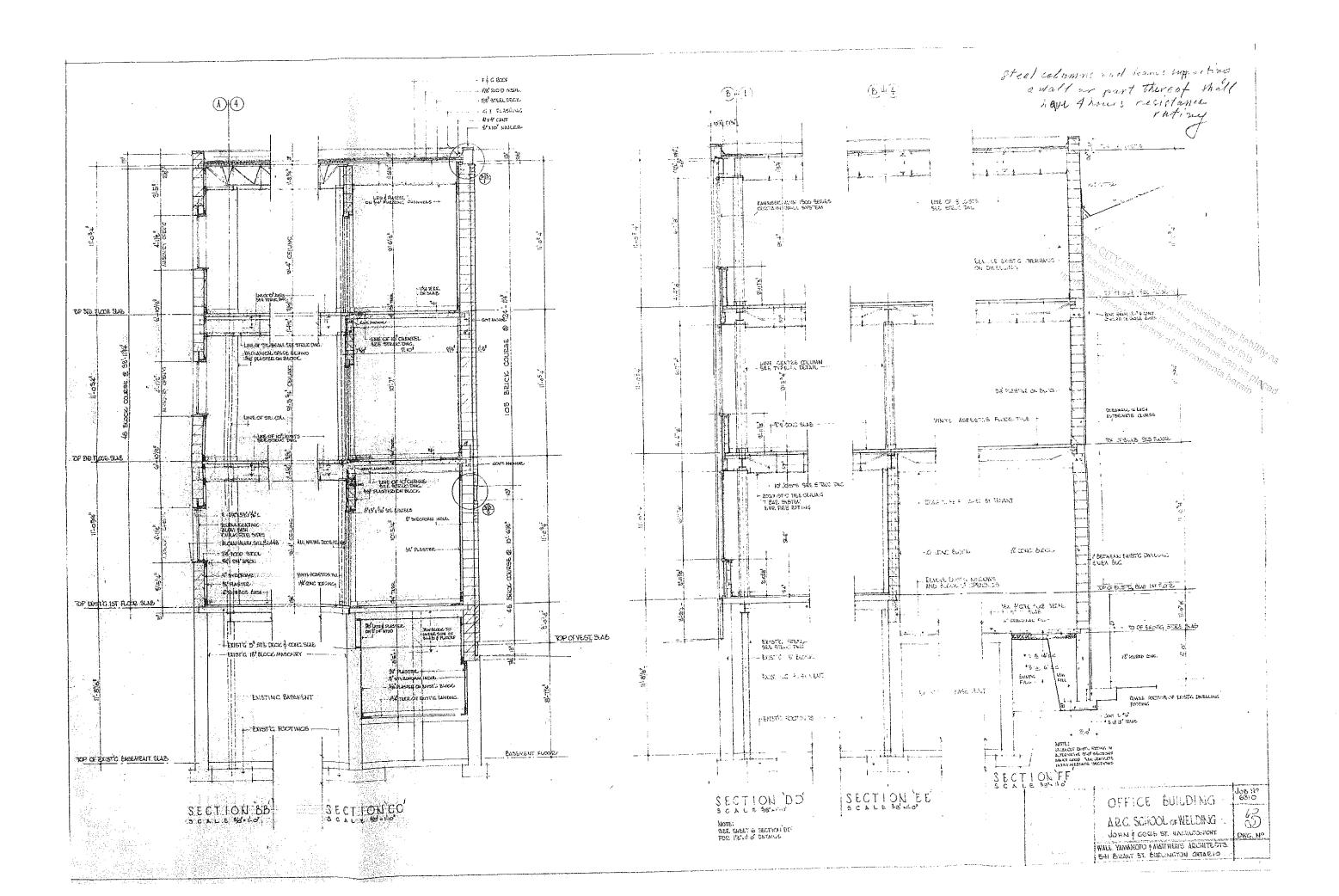


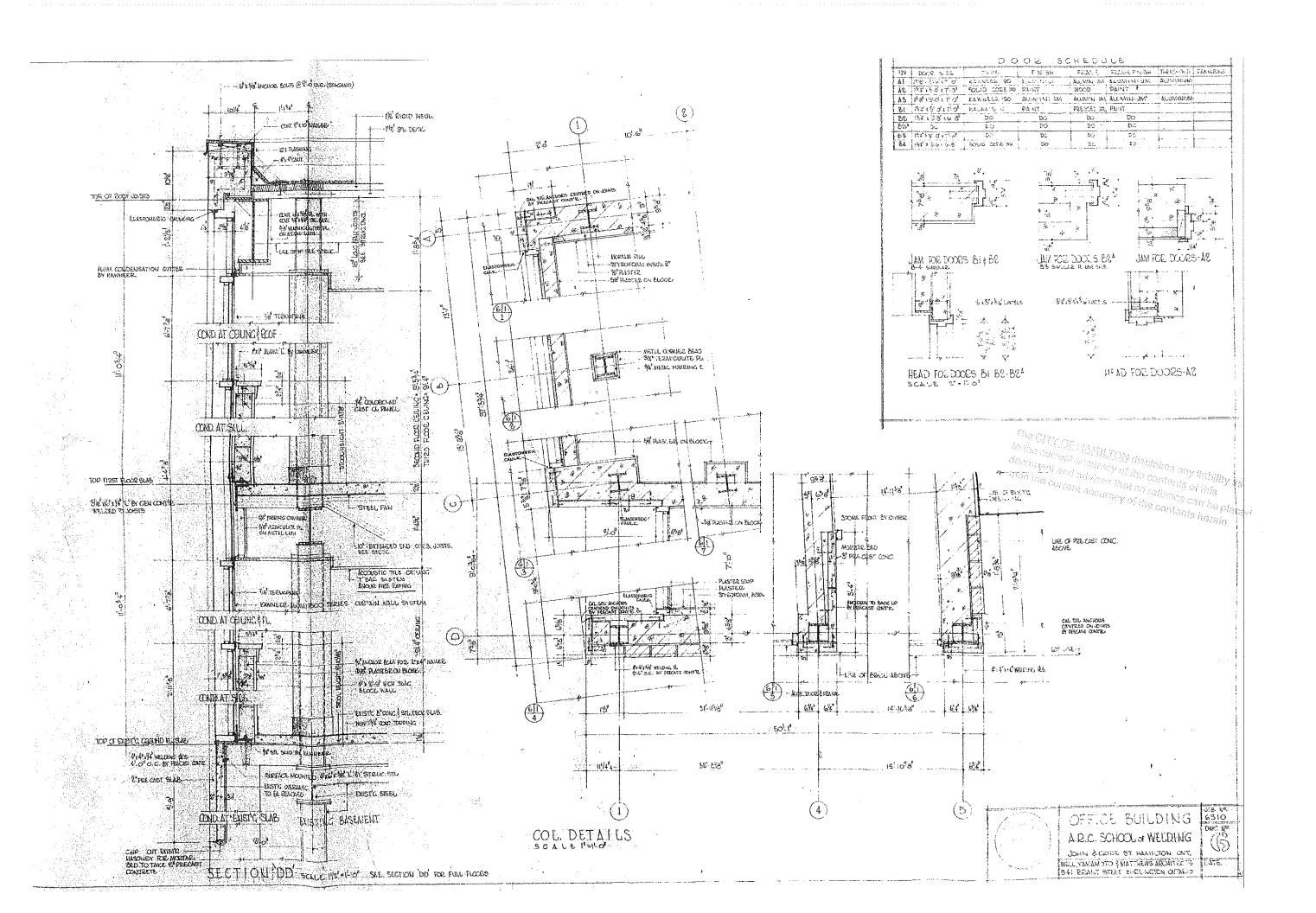
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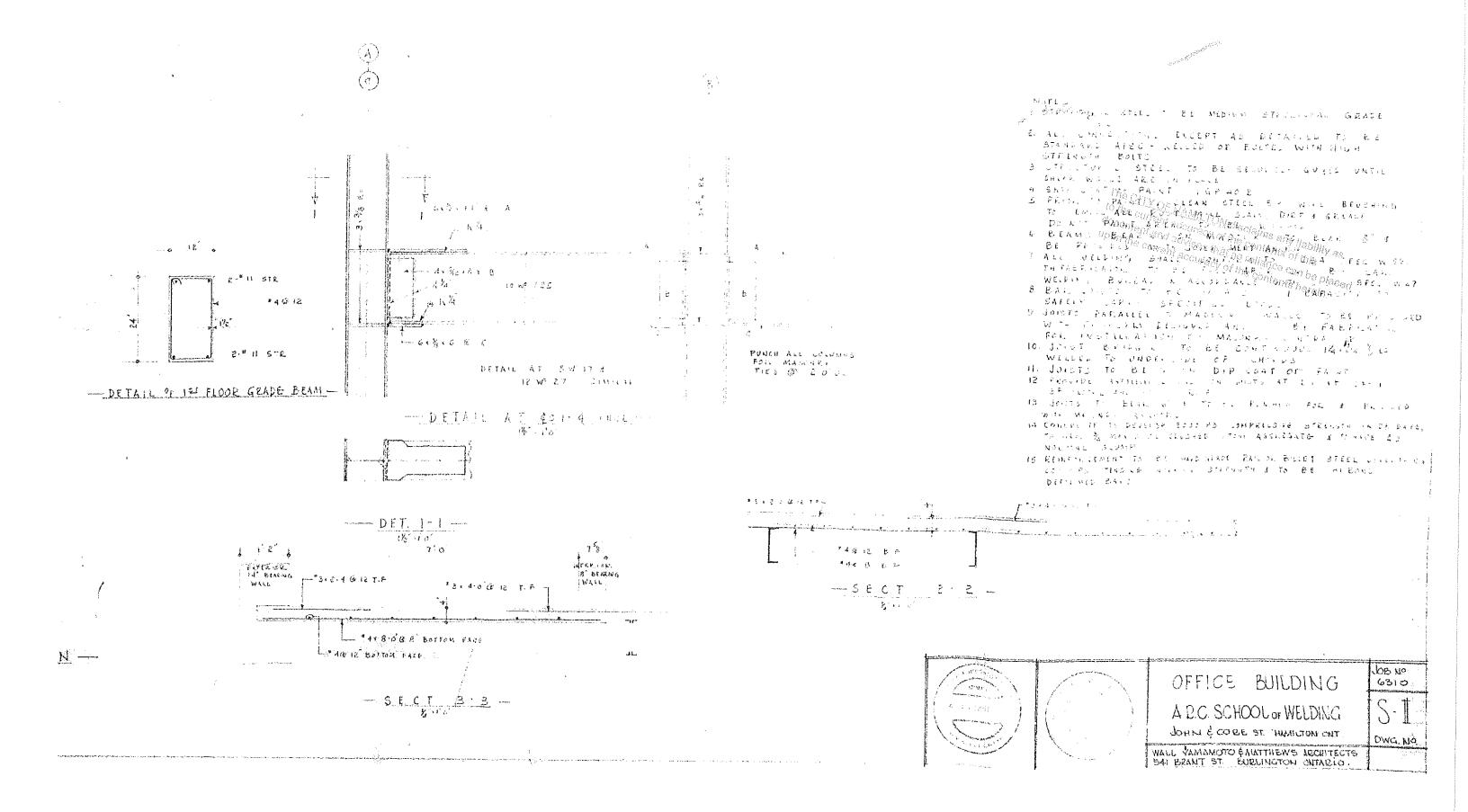


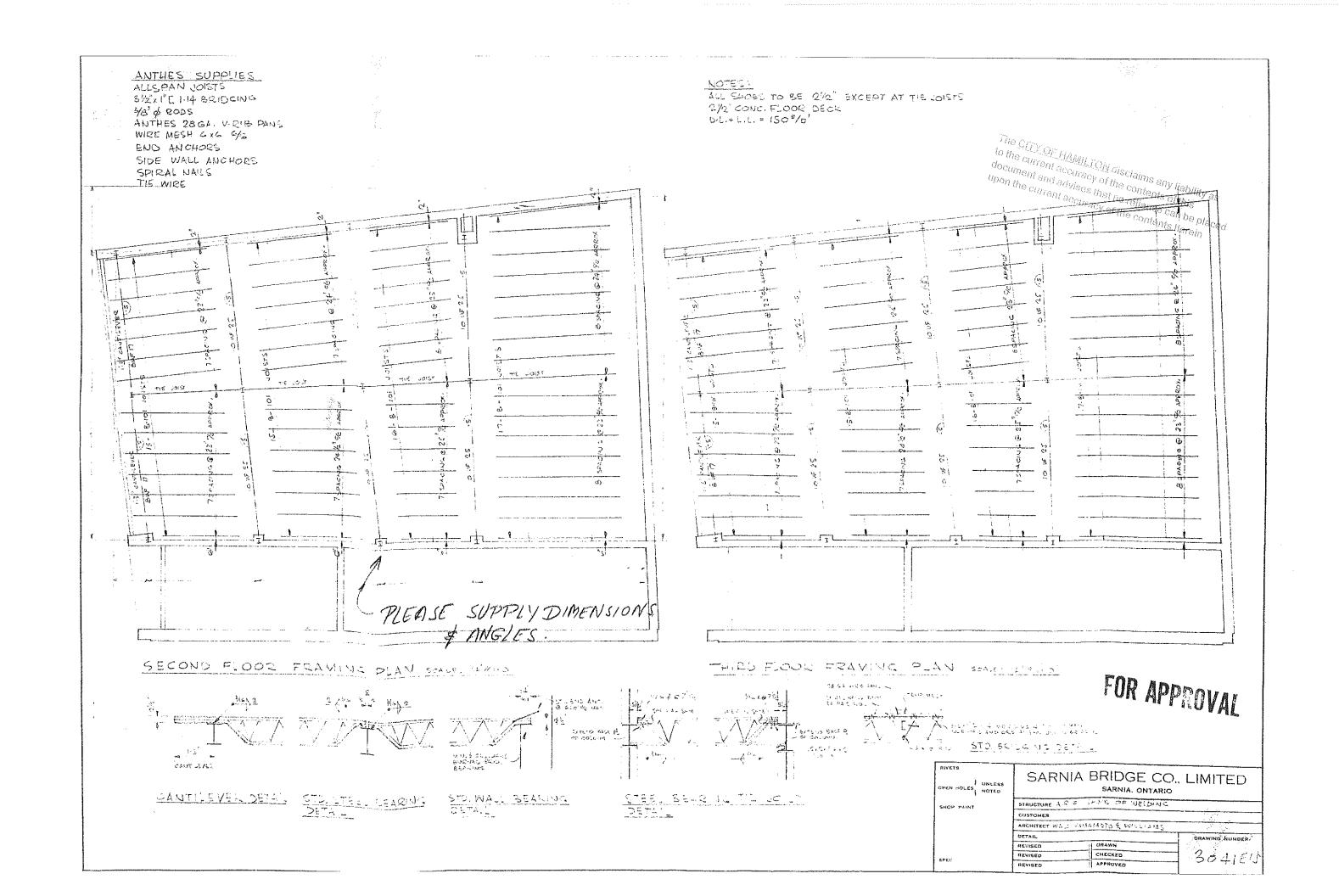












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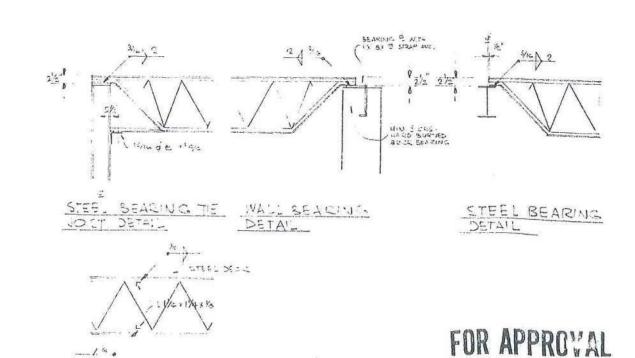
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# **APPENDIX V**

Steward Memorial: Hamilton By-law 93-089

Bill No. C-34

The Corporation of the City of Hamilton

BY-LAW NO. 93-089

To Designate:

## LAND LOCATED AT MUNICIPAL NO. 114 JOHN STREET NORTH

As Property of:

HISTORIC AND ARCHITECTURAL VALUE AND INTEREST

WHEREAS the Council of The Corporation of the City of Hamilton did give notice of its intention to designate the property mentioned in section 1 of this by-law in accordance with subsection 29(3) of the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter 0.18;

AND WHEREAS no notice of objection was served on the City Clerk as required by subsection 29(5) of the said Act;

AND WHEREAS it is desired to designate the property mentioned in section 1 of this by-law in accordance with clause 29(6)(a) of the said Act.

NOW THEREFORE the Council of The Corporation of the City of Hamilton enacts as follows:

- 1. The property located at Municipal No. 114 John Street North and more particularly described in Schedule "A" hereto annexed and forming part of this by-law, is hereby designated as property of historic and architectural value and interest.
- 2. The City Solicitor is hereby authorized and directed to cause a copy of this by-law, together with reasons for the designation set out in Schedule "B" hereto annexed and forming part of this by-law, to be registered against the property affected in the proper registry office.
- 3. The City Clerk is hereby authorized and directed,
  - (i) to cause a copy of this by-law, together with reasons for the designation, to be served on the owner and The Ontario Heritage Foundation by personal service or by registered mail;
  - (ii) to publish a notice of this by-law in a newspaper having general circulation in the Municipality of the City of Hamilton for three consecutive weeks.

PASSED this 13th day of April

A.D. 1993.

City Clerk

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Schedule "A"

To

By-law No. 93- 089

## 114 John Street North, Hamilton, Ontario

In the City of Hamilton, The Regional Municipality of Hamilton-Wentworth, being composed of Lot 4 on the East Side of John Street, between Gore and Cannon Streets, in Nathaniel Hughson Survey,

COMMENCING at the south-west angle of said Lot 4, at a stone monument at the East side of John Street;

THENCE North Eighteen degrees East, (N.18°E.) Sixty-five and Thirty-four One Hundredths feet (65.34') more or less to a stone monument planted at the north-west angle of said Lot 4;

THENCE South Seventy-two degrees East, (S.72°E.) One Hundred and Fifty-five and Ten One Hundredths feet (155.10') more or less to a post planted at the north-east angle of said Lot 4;

THENCE South Eighteen degrees West, (S.18°W.) Sixty-five and Thirty-four One Hundredths feet (65.34') more or less to a post at the south-east angle of said Lot 4;

THENCE North Seventy-two degrees West, (N.72°W.) One Hundred and Fifty-five and Ten One Hundredths feet (155.10') more or less to the place of beginning.

THESE LANDS are intended to be all the lands as in Number 292733 N.S.;

AND the East limit of John Street mentioned herein is the East limit as confirmed by BA Plan Application Number 774, registered as 698 C.D.

#### Schedule "B"

to

**By-law 93 - 089** 

## **Stewart Memorial Church**

### 114 John Street North

## Historical Significance

A landmark for Hamilton's Black community, Stewart Memorial Church on John Street North has a distinguished history as the city's oldest surviving Black congregation. With the influx of fugitive slaves into Upper Canada from the 1820s onward, emerged distinctive Black communities. For these early settlers, the church became a central focus, fulfilling both religious and social needs. By the late 1830s, Hamilton's Black population was large enough to support the establishment of both a Baptist and a Methodist church (the only denominations to establish churches specifically for Blacks). The earliest is believed to be *St. Paul's African Methodist Episcopal (AME) Church*, founded in 1835 under the authority of the (American) African Methodist Episcopal Body and situated in the north-east section of town, where the highest concentration of Blacks lived. According to the historical account passed on orally from generation to generation, the congregation was first housed on Rebecca Street in a small log structure, which was later replaced by a larger building. This location was, however, abandoned in 1879 when the structure was badly damaged by fire and the present church building, formerly occupied by the Methodist Episcopal congregation, was acquired.

Faced with financial difficulties during the Depression years, St. Paul's AME Church was saved from closure through the efforts of its congregation and Reverend J.C. Holland. The decision made in 1937 to sever ties with the Mother Body resulted in the formation of a non-denominational Black church named *Stewart Memorial Church* in honour of Reverend C.A. Stewart, whose death in 1936 ended many years of dedicated service to the congregation of St. Paul's. His successor Reverend Holland was voted Hamilton's "Citizen of the Year" in 1953, in recognition of his instrumental role in keeping the church open and long service to the church and community (1936-54).

## Architectural Significance

The building now occupied by Stewart Memorial was erected in 1848 to serve as the Methodist Episcopal Church. Originally a simple frame structure with clapboard siding and a front-gabled roof, the building was substantially altered in the first decade of this century. According to available documentation, the original structure was reclad with brick masonry and the facade remodelled in the Gothic Revival style (circa 1905). Characteristic features include the pointed-arched window and door openings, the blind oculus in the gable front, and the flanking buttresses with tall pinnacles. Extensive interior renovations completed in 1908 included the installation of semi-circular pews, chandeliers (since removed) and an attractive, pressed-metal ceiling with Gothic-inspired, patterned tiles. Further renovations in the 1950s resulted in the removal of the original altar, certain elements of which have been preserved by the congregation.

## Context

Situated on the east side of John Street North in the centre of the block between Wilson and Cannon, Stewart Memorial Church is located within a mixed commercial/ residential area, where buildings are now interspersed with expanses of vacant land. Standing opposite a large parking lot, the church today has a highly visible presence on the street.

In the early twentieth century, St. Paul's AME Church formed part of a continuous streetscape comprising a mix of houses, industrial buildings and churches (including the Methodist Episcopal Church built in 1878 at the south-west corner of John and Wilson).

### **Designated Features**

Important to the preservation of Stewart Memorial Church are the original features of:

- the west (front), north and south facades, including the brick masonry with its
  decorative arches and detailing, the buttresses and pinnacles, and the door and
  window openings (excluding the modern doorway and windows).
- the sanctuary space, including the decorative pressed-metal ceiling and curved wood pews.

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