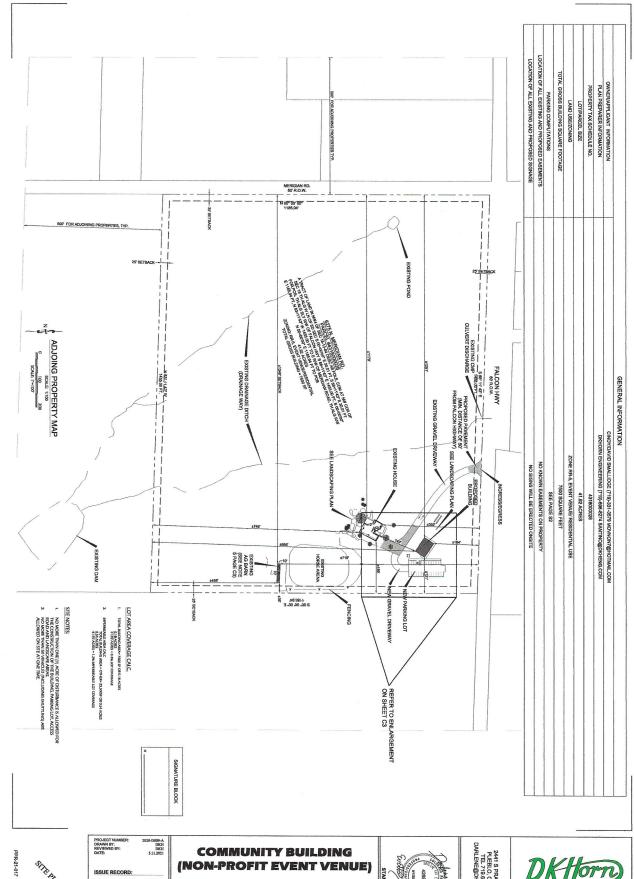


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alternative landscape plan pursuant to Section 6.2.2.A.4 of the Land Development







## (NON-PROFIT EVENT VENUE)

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May 12, 2021

Ryan Howser El Paso County Project Manager 2880 International Circle Colorado Springs, CO 80910

RE: Letter of Intent – Landscape Plan for Site Development Plan Application for an Events Center at 6275 N. Meridian Road, Peyton, CO 80831
Parcel No. 4318000028
David and Cindy Smallidge

Dear Mr. Howser,

In conjunction with the Site Development Plan Letter from DK Horn Engineering & Design Inc, this letter is meant to add clarity to the intention of creating a Water-wise landscape plan that matches the existing style of the property while providing buffering and screening as required by El Paso County.

As stated in the previous letter of intent, water being a valuable and limited commodity in El Paso County with the growing population, this landscape plan is meant to take advantage of the existing wetland and meadowland. In turn, we are proposing putting the screening and buffering closer to the building and construction area to disturb as little of the existing meadows and wetlands as possible. The planting material selected was meant to enhance the feel of being surrounded by the Colorado native meadows, and tie into the existing landscape.

Due to the planned use of the proposed building, care was taken to preserve the views of Pikes Peak and the surrounding mountain range from the event center windows. As mentioned in the accompanying letter by DK Horn, trees and shrubs native and appropriate to the Front Range were selected and placed in a manner to screen the parking lot and the event center from the school and subsequently Falcon Hwy. Being the location of the new event center away and uphill from the existing Falcon Hwy, putting trees within the recommended 25' easement of Falcon Hwy would be counter-intuitive because it would not provide adequate buffering or screening. This site will not be highly visible from Meridian Road due to the existing home and landscaping blocking the views from that roadway.

To screen the parking lot from vehicles traveling west on Falcon Hwy, we have used a decorative fence (which matches the existing decorative fencing on the property) and low-water shade trees. This screening will also provide buffering from the neighboring property.



As per the comments on sheet L104, by requiring 1 tree per 500 sf of the 5% internal landscaped area, this would require 183 trees (this is based on 5% of 41.92 acres). As mentioned above with the strain on the watershed, we do not feel it would be wise to increase the tree count more than what is required to meet the buffering and screening requirements. Especially as the existing landscape is composed of natural wetlands and grass meadow mixes. The existing wetland area composes roughly 40% of the property and will not be disturbed by the construction of the new event center, as referenced by DK Horn.

We did provide the required 20 trees per the frontage road classification of 1 tree per 20 feet but moved those trees closer to the building to provide the screen and buffering need as mentioned above. As per the LCD Section 6.2.2 "to create a positive image and visual appeal both along the road . . . and internal" has been met with the existing landscape design plan by taking advantage of Colorado appropriate plantings in their naturally clustered nature to act as buffers to the higher use school and Falcon Hwy areas.

Thank you for your consideration, please feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns.

Chelsea Scoggin Owner/Designer

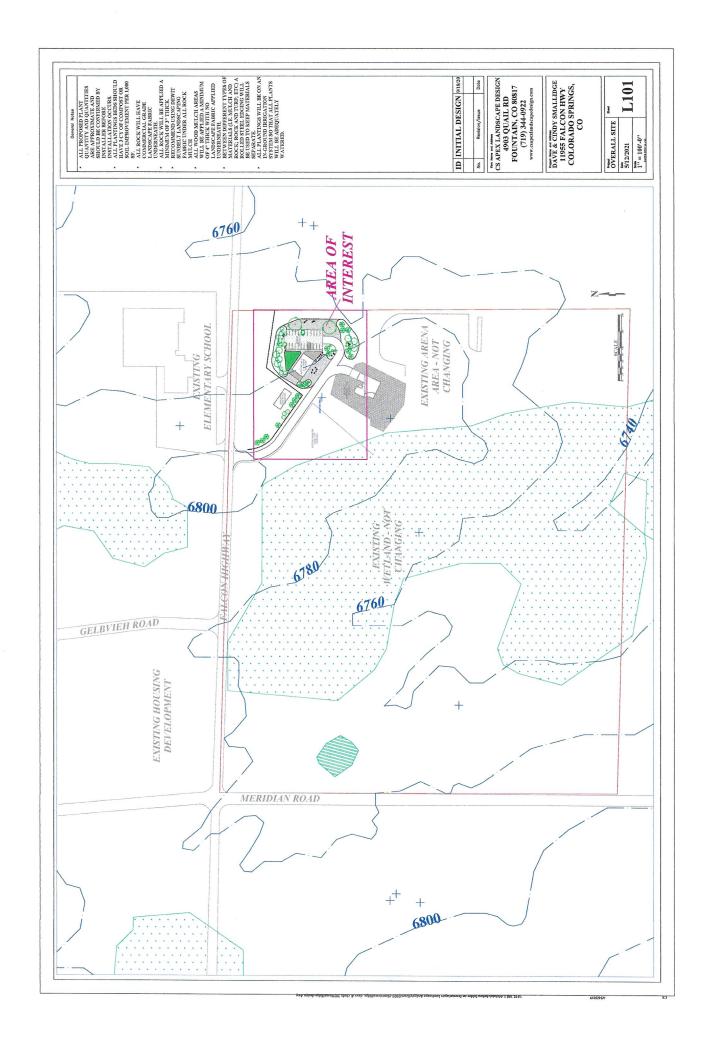
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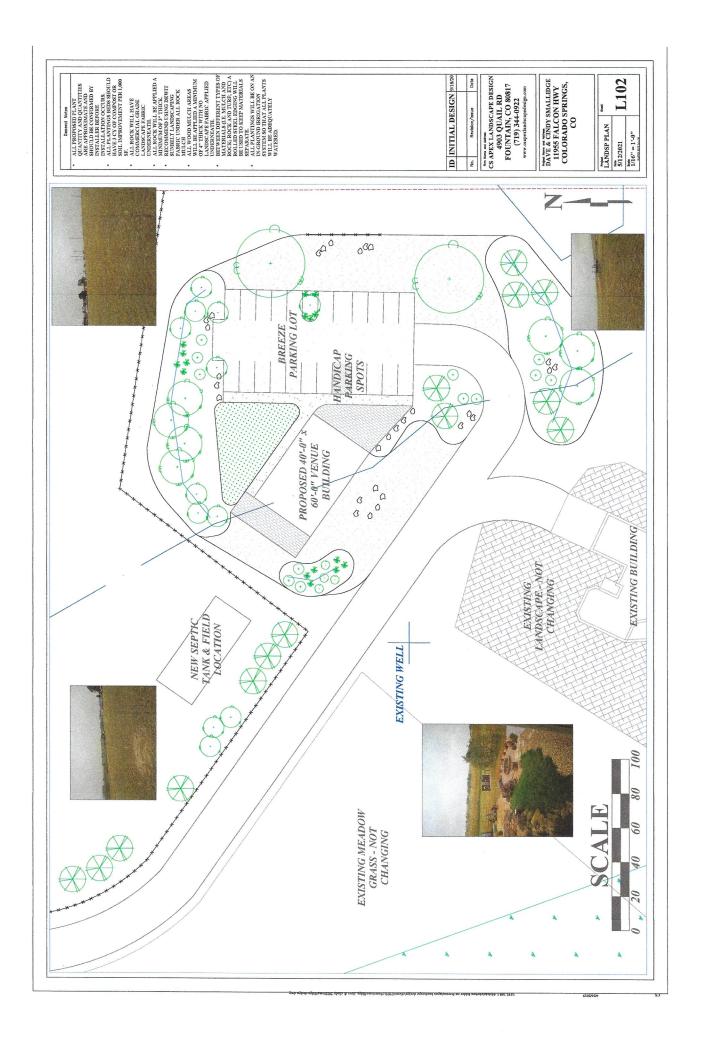
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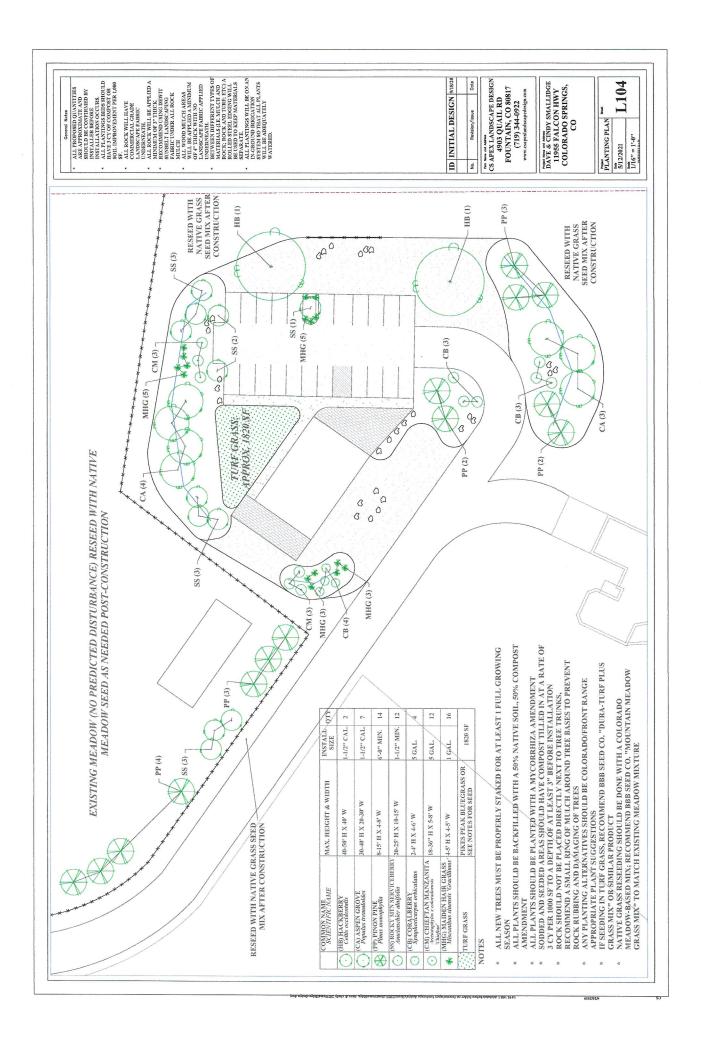
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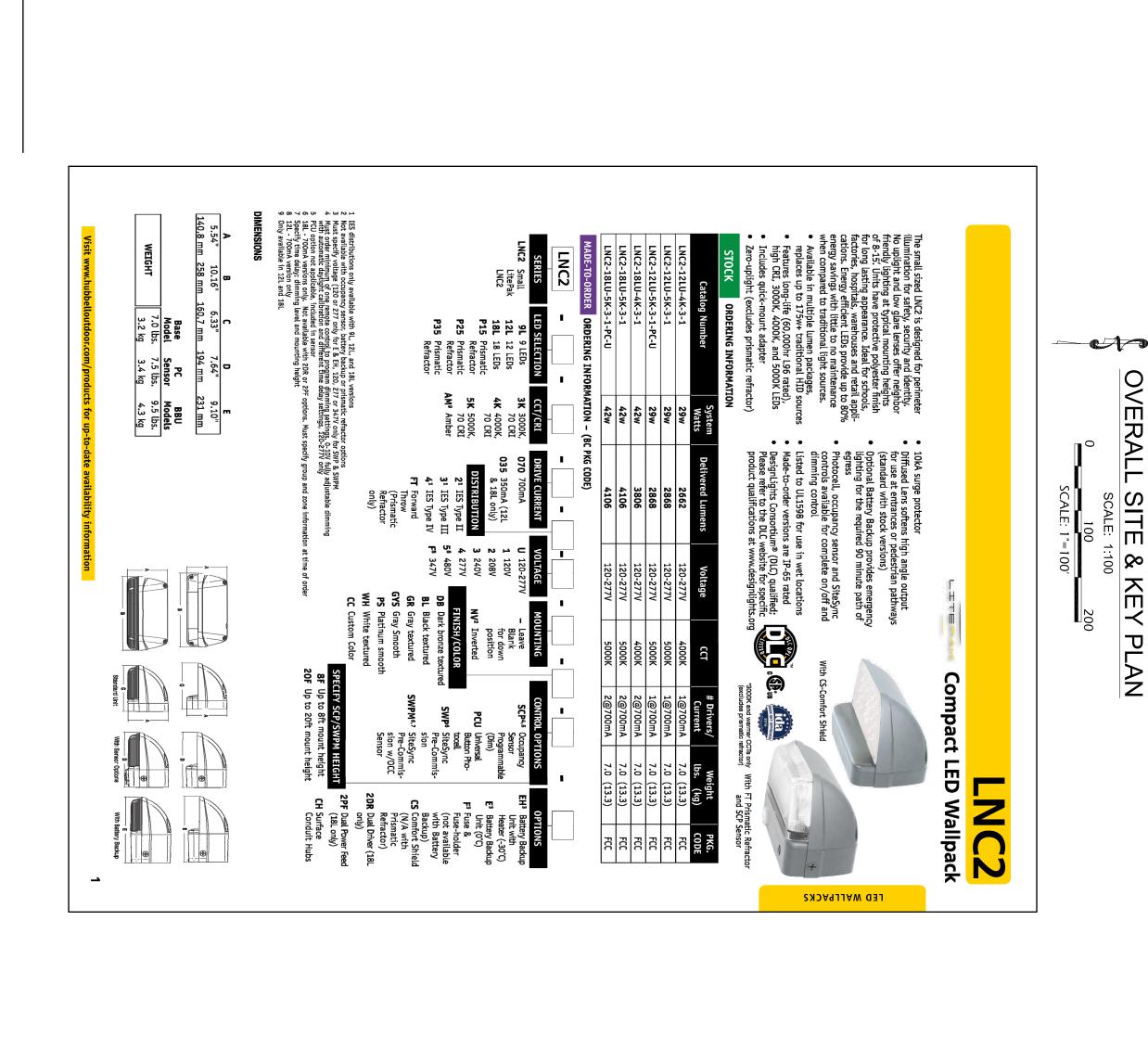
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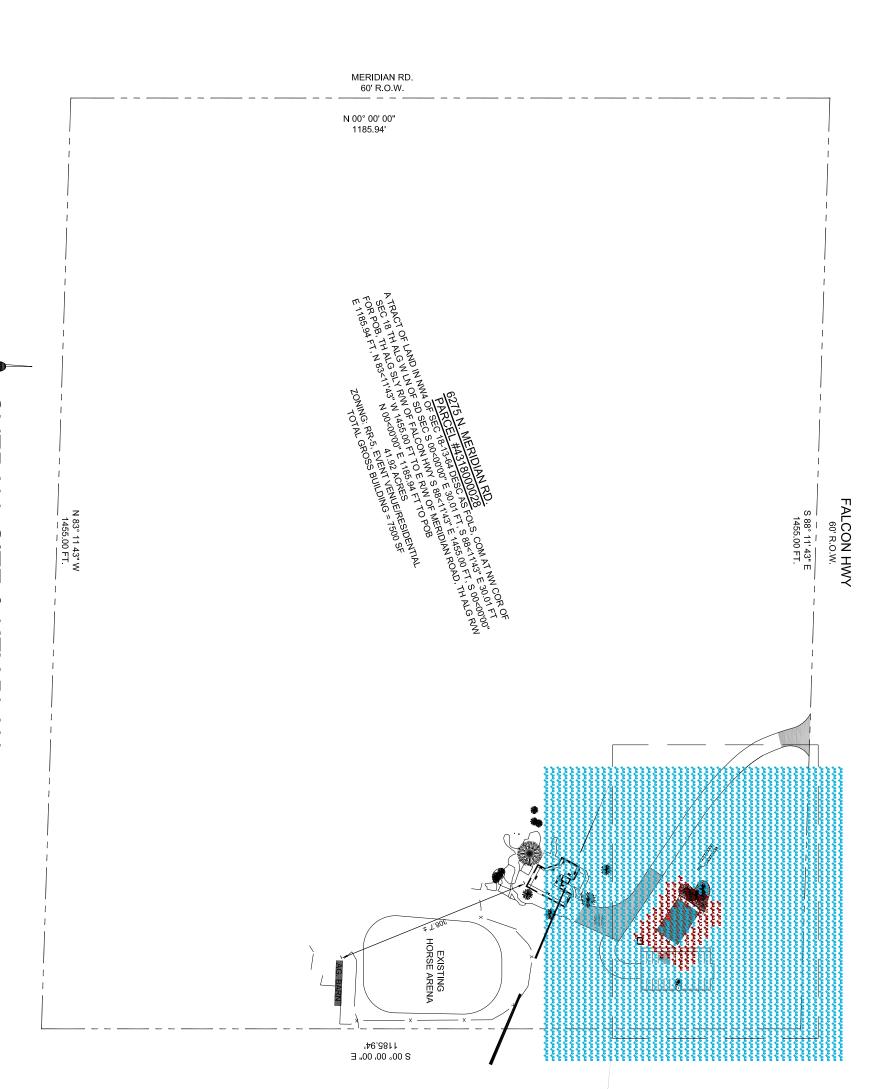


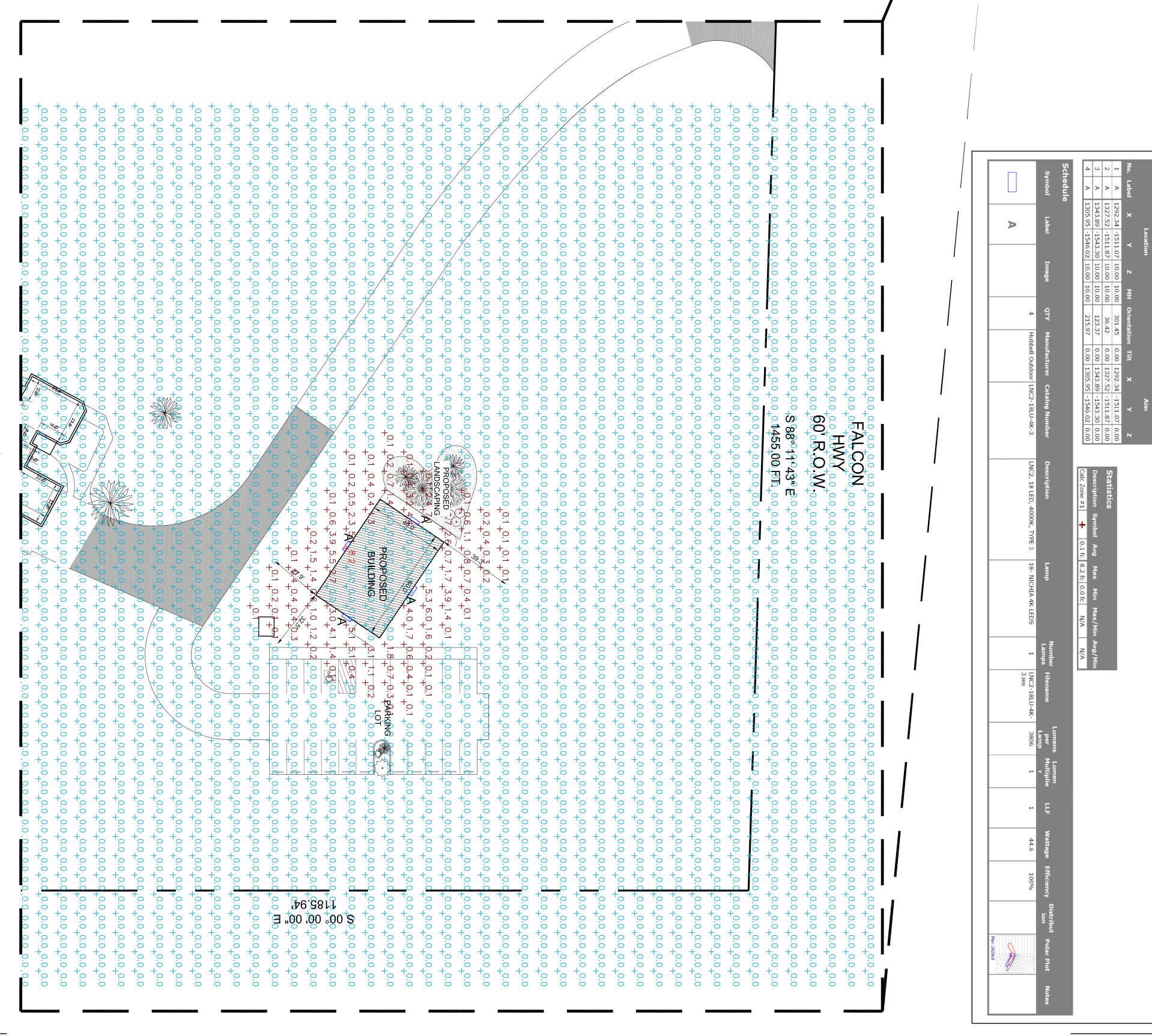


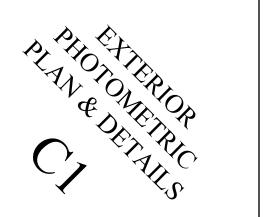




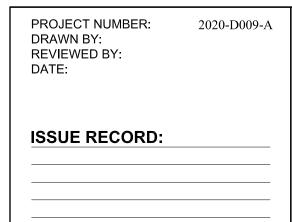








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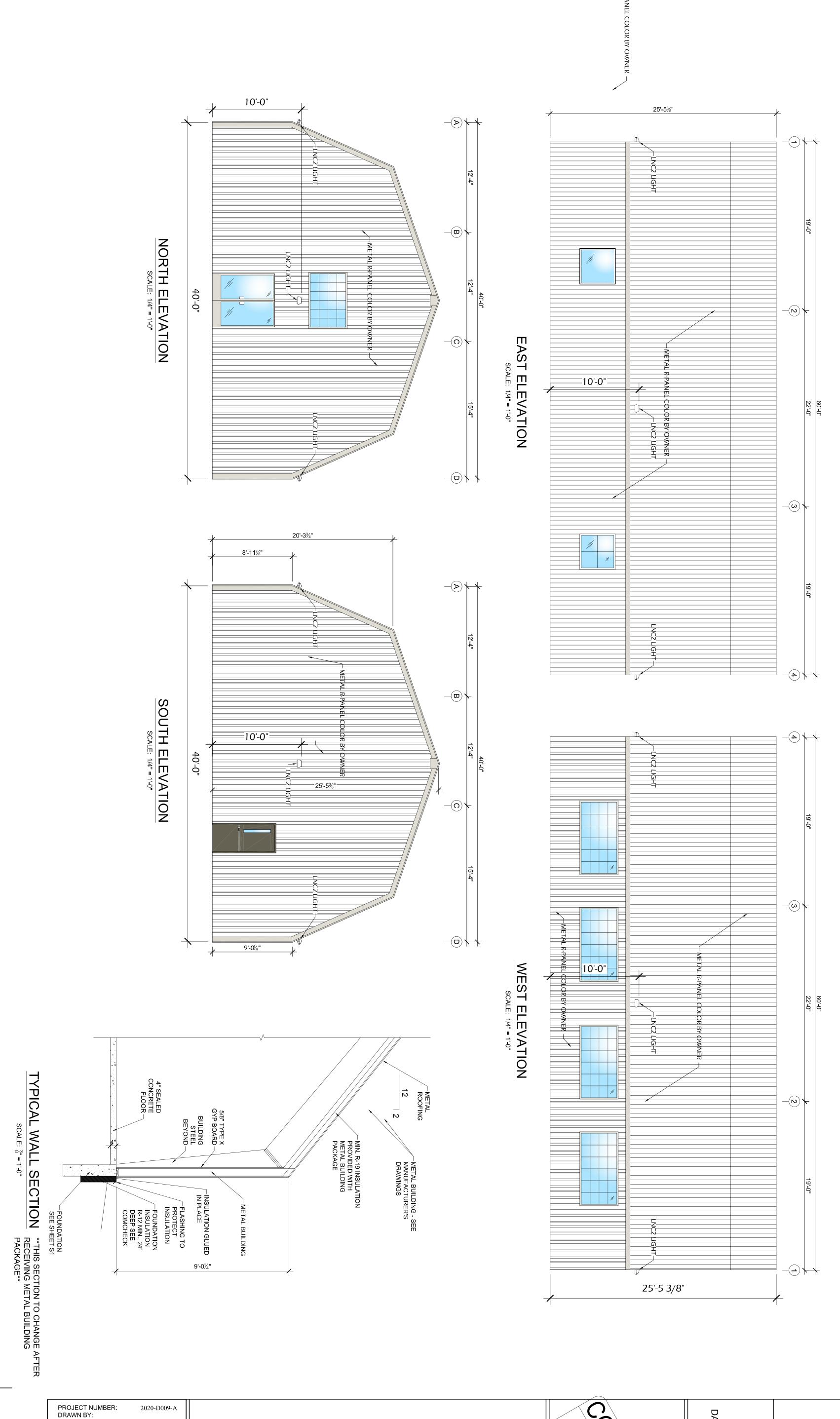
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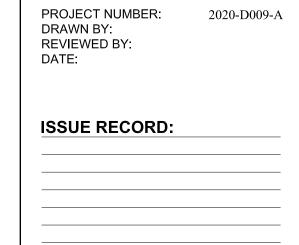
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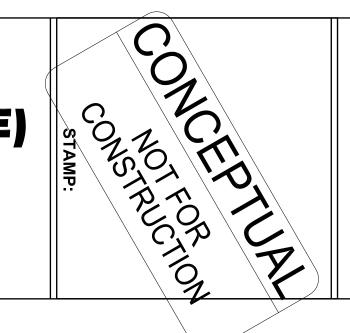




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