Zoning Staff Report

Date: December 13, 2022

FORT WORTH.

Case Number: ZC-22-171

Council District: 6

Zoning Map Amendment

Case Manager:	Brett Mangum		
<i>Owner / Applicant:</i>	Jason Moses, Oakcrest Management / John Drennan & Cynthia Stark, Barron Stark		
Site Location:	312 Old Highway 11	187	Acreage: 5.38 acres
		Request	
Proposed Use:	Warehouse with office/retail storefronts		
Request:	From: "E" Neighborhood Commercial		
	To: "I" Light Industrial		
		Recommendation	on
Land Use Compatibility:		Requested change is compatible	
Comprehensive Plan Consistency:		Requested change is not consistent	
Staff Recommendation:		Approval	
Zoning Commission Recommendation:		Approval by a vote of 8-0	
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Project Description and Background

The subject site is in Council District 6, northeast of the Interstate 35W & F.M. 1187 interchange. The property is currently undeveloped. The property owner plans to construct two new buildings for "flex office and warehouse" space, with some small retail components. The proposed buildings would be 30 foot tall and approximately 37,500 square feet total. A concept layout was provided by the applicant along with sample building elevations to give an idea as to how the buildings will be laid out and how the site will function as a whole. There will be no direct access to F.M. 1187 based on proximity to the future intersection with Stone Road, and all traffic will ingress and egress on to Old Highway 1187. The site is planned to be gated, according to the concept layout. A description of the rezoning proposal from the applicant can be found below:

The proposed use is for flex warehouse with office-retail-showroom storefronts. The spaces can be used as business or personal flex storage and commerce. This use is compatible with 'l' Light Industrial zoning which provides for low-intensity industrial uses and is intended to serve the entire community. The existing 'E' Neighborhood commercial zoning is for neighborhood-serving commercial, institutional and office uses. The zoning change is compatible with surrounding land uses of General Commercial and Light Industrial.

No encroachments on the ONCOR or the Energy Transfer existing easements as shown on the site layout. TxDOT would not allow a connection to FM Highway 1187 due to the future Stone Road and re-design of FM 1187 in that area.

Detention, landscaping and parking to be in accordance with the proposed zoning and city regulations.

Please note that this request is for standard zoning, rather than a Planned Development. This means the applicant is not obligated to build according to the concept layout submitted. If this rezoning is approved, any uses indicated as permitted under "I" Light Industrial in the Non-Residential Land Use Table from Section 4.803 of the City of Fort Worth Zoning Ordinance would allowed by right as long as the development meets the development standards in Section 4.1000 of the Zoning Ordinance.

The property owner has been in contact with Councilman Williams' office, and has not indicated any issues or opposition to the proposal. The owner has been very responsive with Zoning staff and has participated in the Pre-Development process along with providing regular updates when requested.

Surrounding Zoning and Land Uses

North "AG" Agricultural / undeveloped

East "E" Neighborhood Commercial / undeveloped & future proposed Stone Road extension

South "J" Medium Industrial / Spinks Airport

West "E" Neighborhood Commercial / office & medical office

Recent Zoning History

• None

Public Notification

300-foot Legal Notifications were mailed on October 25, 2022. The following organizations were emailed on October 25, 2022:

Organizations Notified		
District 6 Alliance	Crowley ISD	
Trinity Habitat for Humanity	Burleson ISD	
Streams & Valleys Inc		

*Located closest to this registered Neighborhood Association

Development Impact Analysis

Land Use Compatibility

The 5-acre property is situated on a major east west road corridor (F.M. 1187) and is close to Interstate 35W, providing good north-south access to and from the site. Within the immediate vicinity, there are commercial enterprises to the west and a municipal airport to the south. The remainder of the land to the east and south is currently undeveloped. A future commercial connector called Stone Road is currently planned to be built just to the east of this site, creating a hard corner on F.M. 1187 once the roadway is built.

On July 7, 2022 the applicant participated in a Pre-Development Conference with all development-affiliated City departments. At that time, Zoning staff notified the applicant of the "I" Light Industrial development standards applicable to this particular site, including but not limited to:

- 55 foot maximum height.
- Minimum parking amounts would <u>not</u> apply since there are no residential zones within 250 feet.
- Base landscape requirements are 10% of the site dedicated to irrigated landscaped area, with plantings.
- Any Urban Forestry related tree preservation / mitigation requirements.

This type of development appears to be acceptable in this location, which is not impacted by any overlay districts, and is not close to any existing residential areas or zones. Of the industrial land uses, warehouse is amongst the least intensive, in comparison to manufacturing, auto-related uses, or those with outdoor activity. The proposed rezoning to "I" Light Industrial **is compatible** with surrounding land uses.

Comprehensive Plan Consistency - Far South

The 2022 Comprehensive Plan currently designates the subject property as future general commercial on the Future Land Use Map. Only commercial zoning or mixed-use zoning is consistent with the general commercial designation. While the proposed rezoning **is not consistent** with the adopted Comprehensive Plan designation,

the quasi-commercial nature of the proposed development fits the spirit and intent of the adopted Comprehensive Plan to provide non-residential uses in non-residential designated areas. It just happens to require industrial zoning since the warehouse component would take up more than 50% of the buildings. Additionally, the rezoning request does align with at least two of the Sector Land Use Policies that apply to the Far South sector of the City.

FAR SOUTH SECTOR FUTURE LAND USE

Sector Land Use Policies

- 1. Promote fiscally sustainable growth on the periphery of the city by encouraging development adjacent to existing adequate infrastructure and discouraging leapfrog development.
- 4. Promote commercial, mixed-use, and urban residential development within the Spinks/Hugulev Mixed-Use Growth Center.

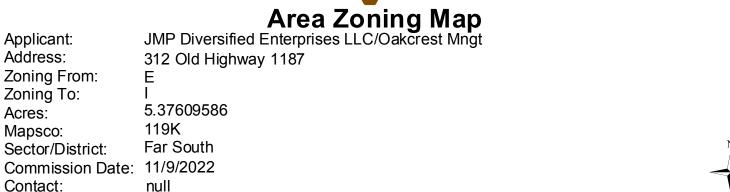
If this zoning change request is approved, staff recommends that the Future Land Use Map also be updated to reflect this change.

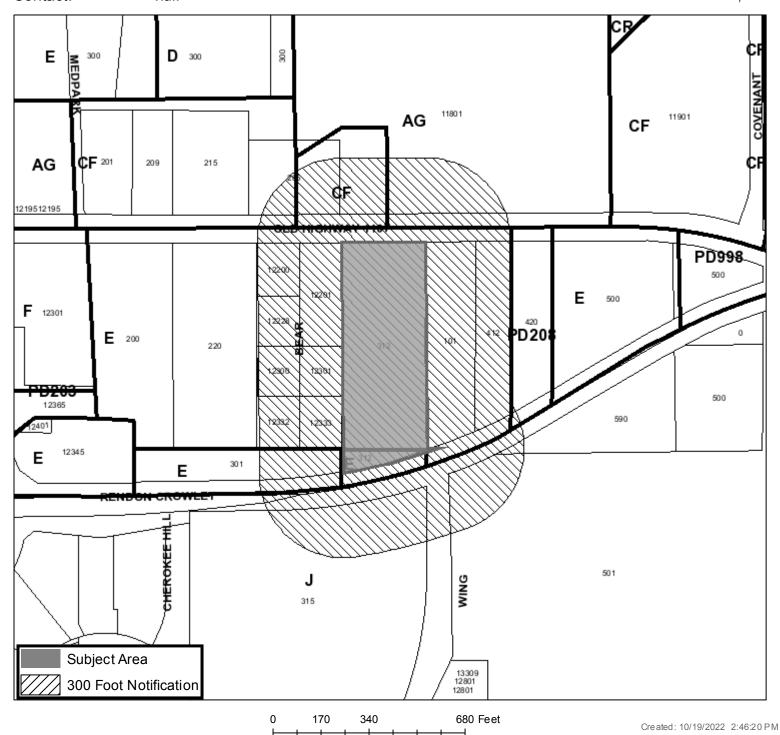
Economic Development Plan

The 2017 Economic Development Strategic Plan identified a vision, goals, and strategies to facilitate the success and growth of the City of Fort Worth. 312 Old Highway 1187 is not located within one of the six target areas identified in the plan.

One of the desired outcomes of the Economic Development Plan is a more sustainable tax base, driven less by residential property valuation and more by commercial and industrial investment. The conversion of this property from an under developed site to an active enterprise allows for the continued diversification of the tax base and has the potential to spur additional growth and regeneration in the area.

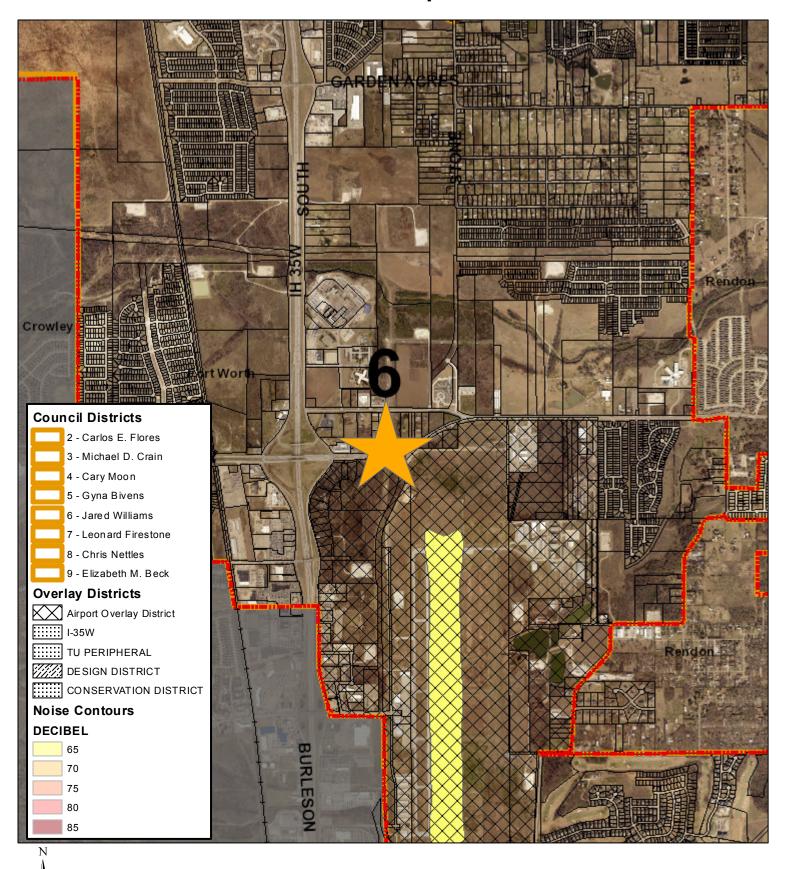








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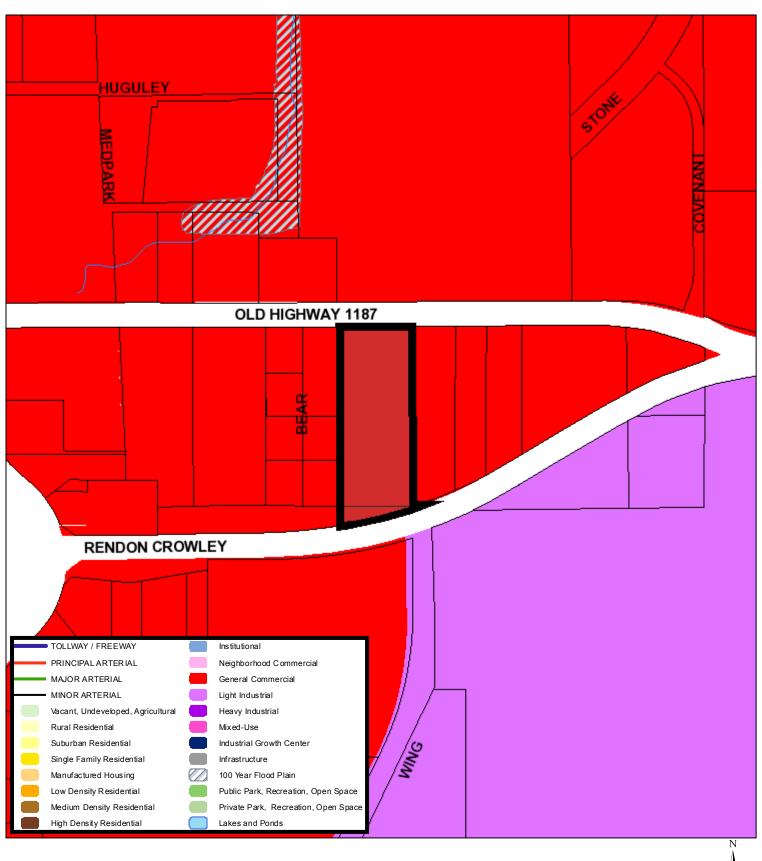


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Future Land Use



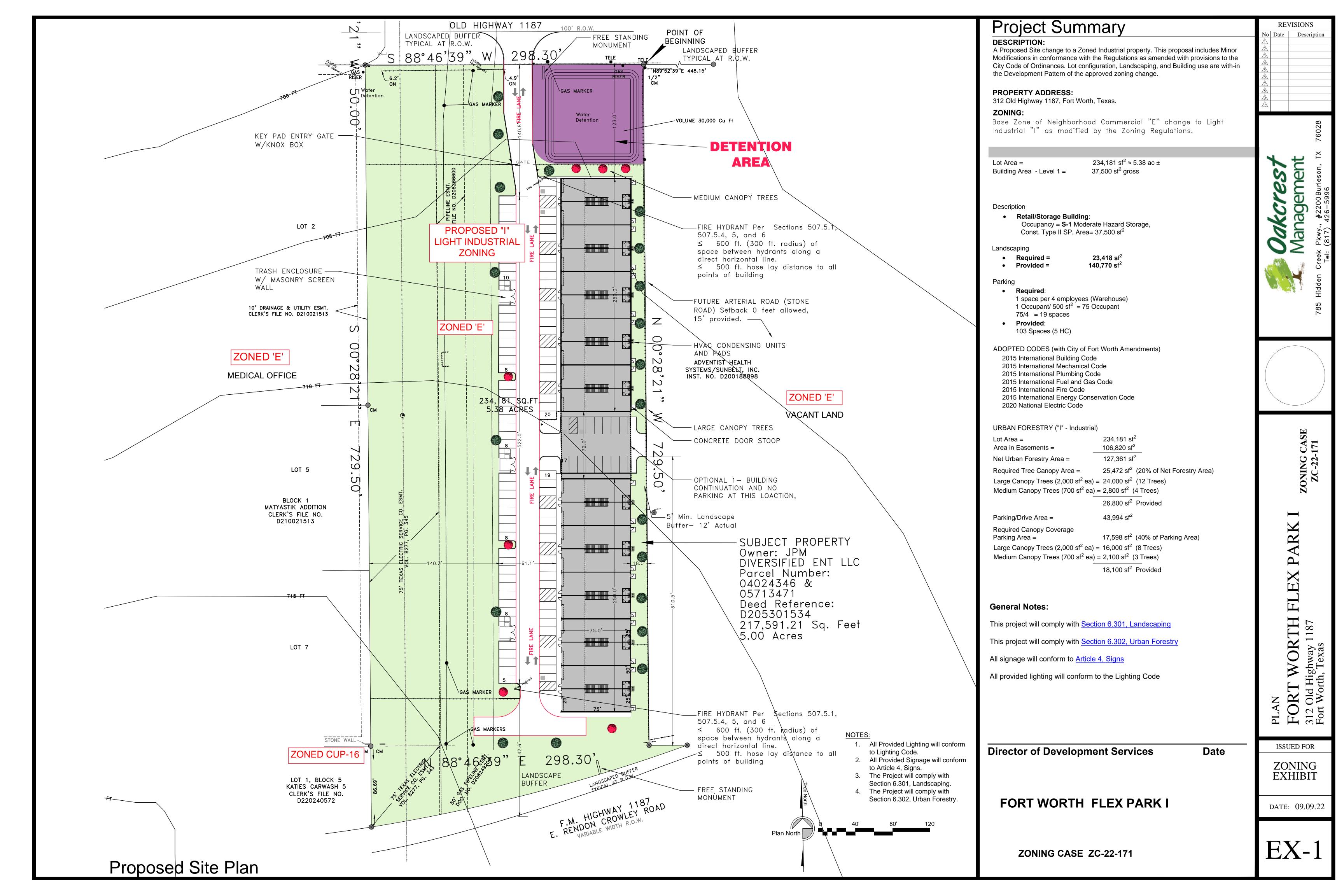
A Comprehensive Plan shall not constitute zoning regulations or establish zoning district boundaries. (Texas Local Government Code, Section 213.005.) Land use designations were approved by City Council on March 6, 2018.

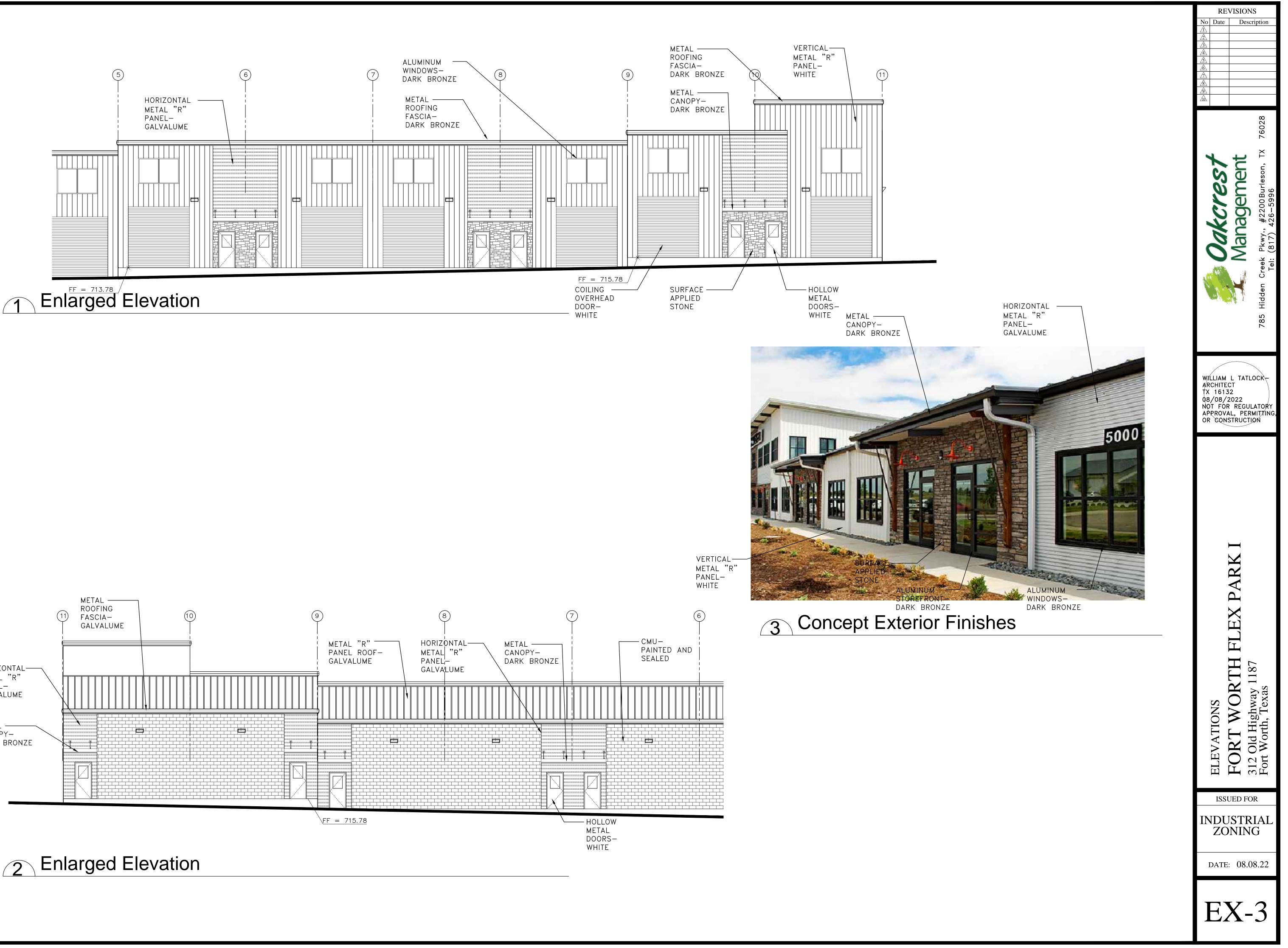


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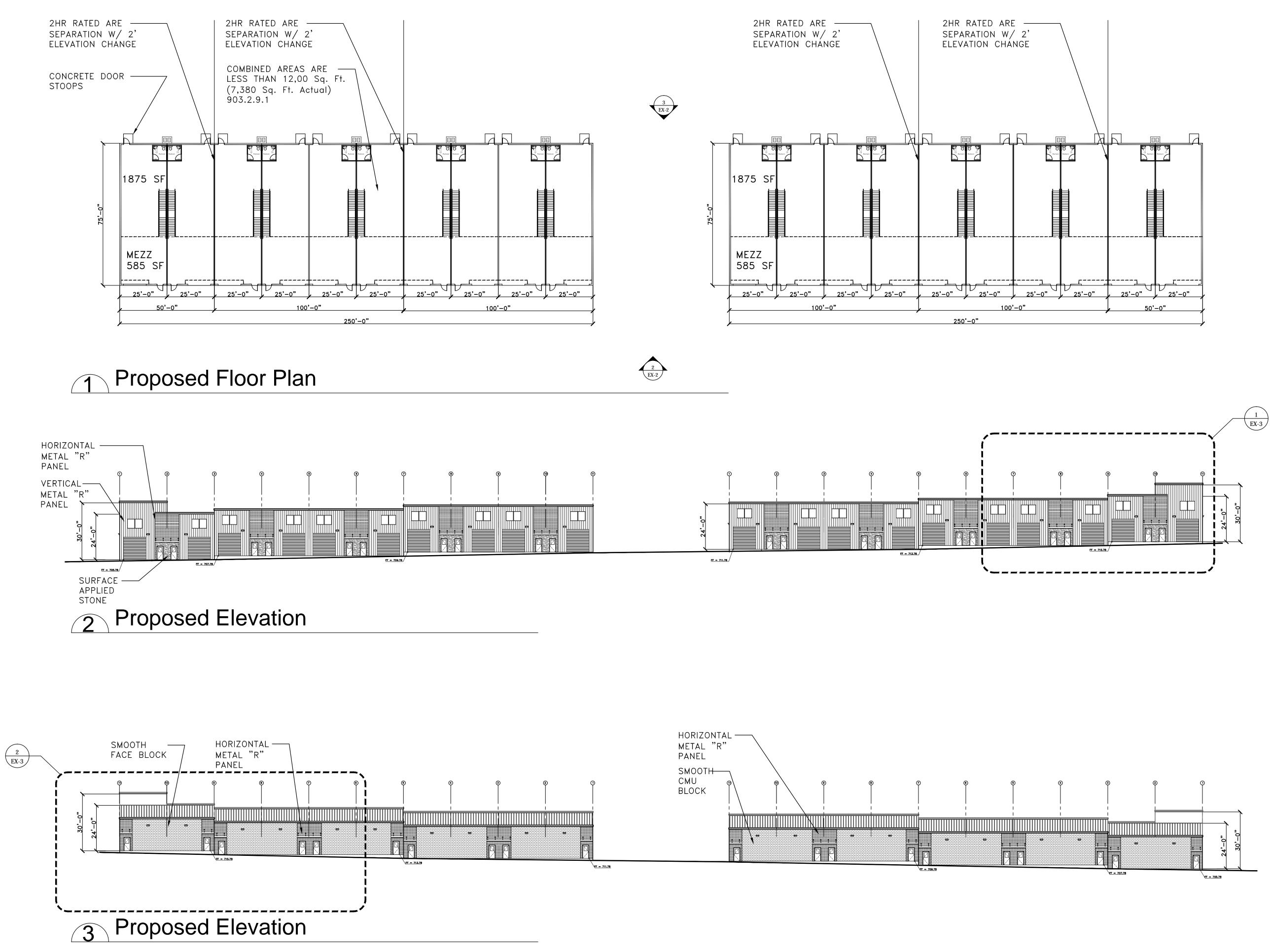
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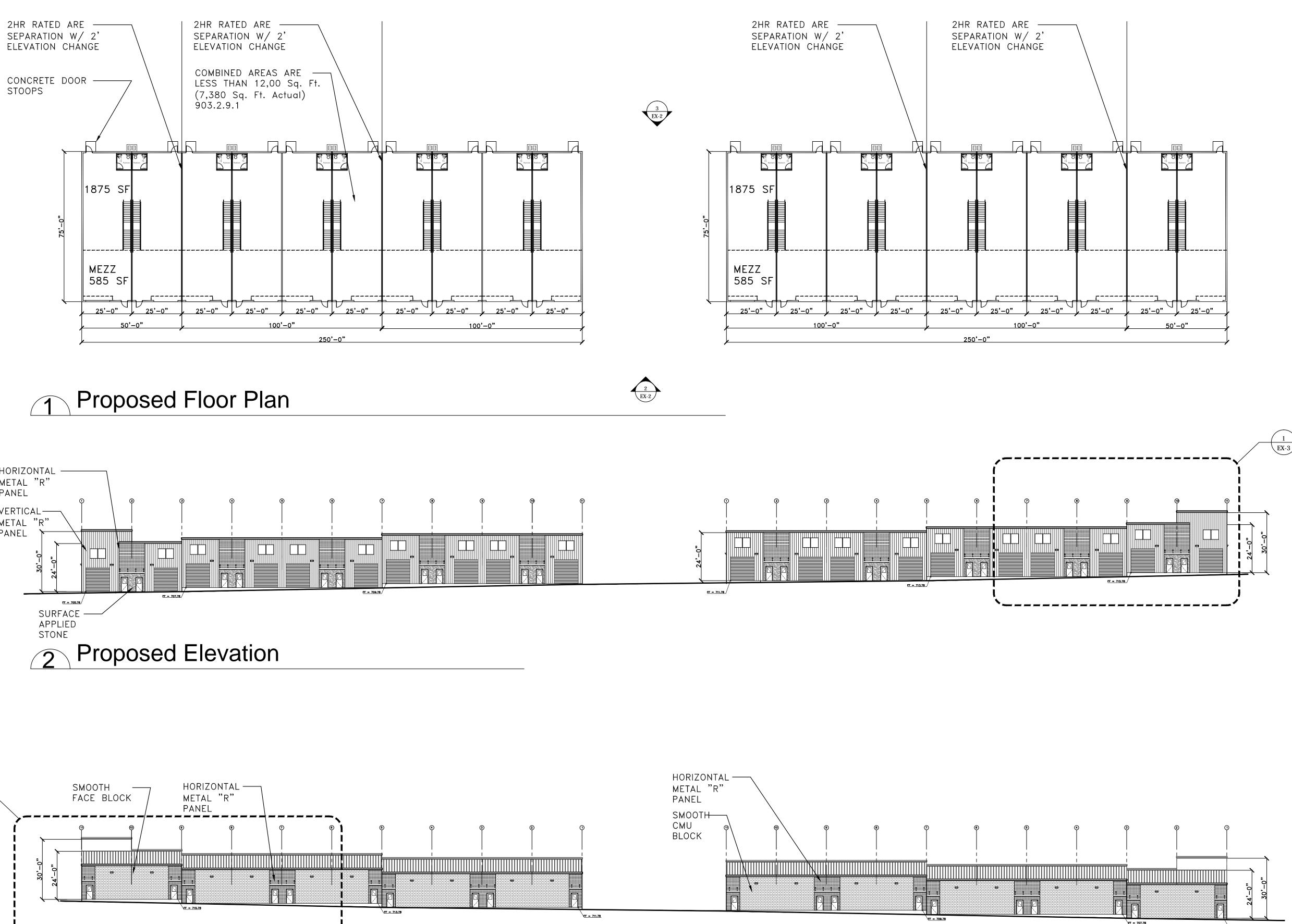


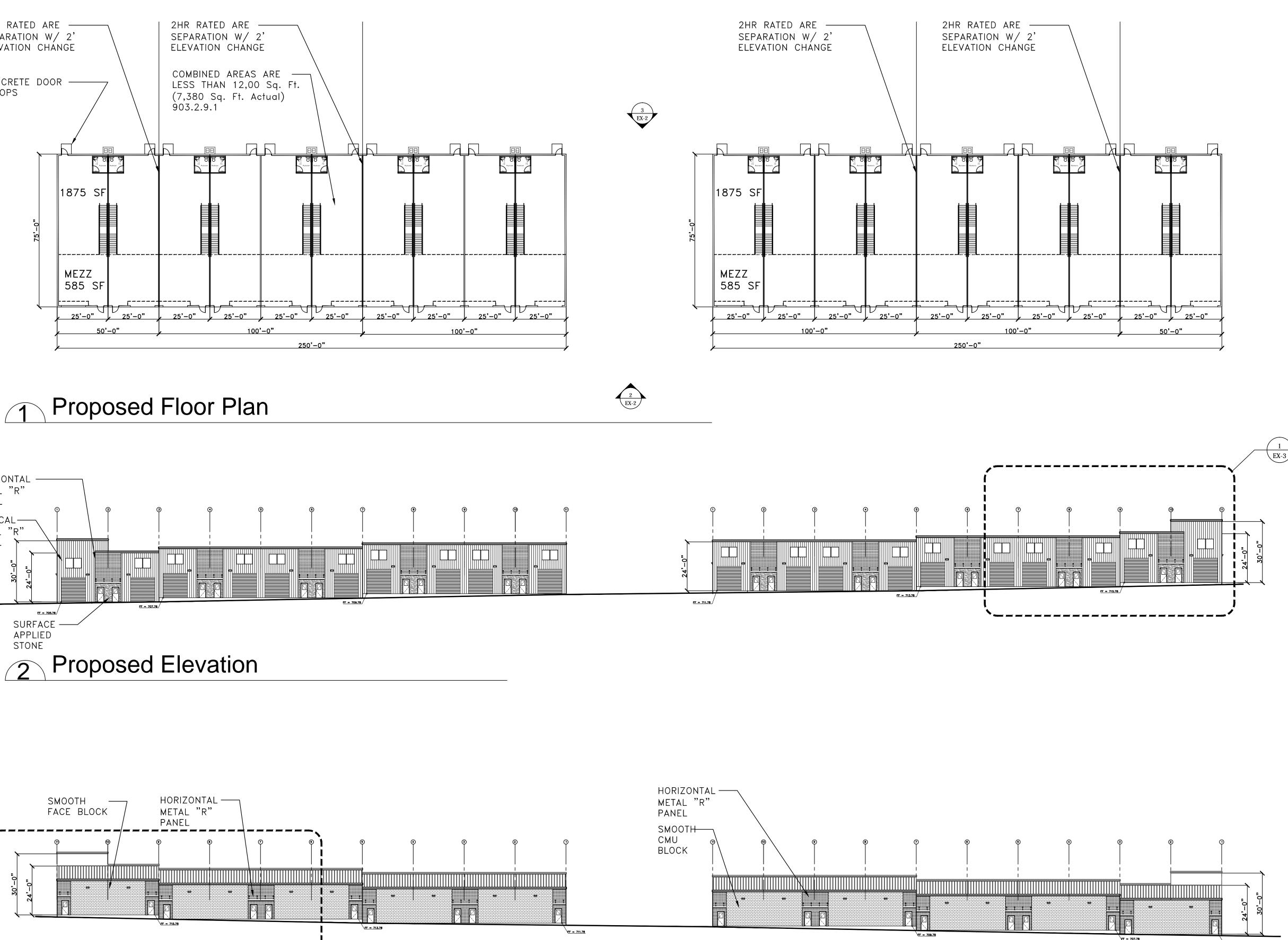












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