BUILDING AND STANDARDS COMMISSION STAFF REPORT

June 21, 2021



Case # 2406 – 120 South Main Street



LEGAL DESCRIPTION:	City Of Bryan Town "La Salle Hotel" & A	nsite, Block 256, Lot 1 (40' of) & 11' Associated BPP	of W 27th St
STRUCTURE(S):	⊠ commercial		
PROPERTY OWNER(S):	LH3 Hospitality, LL0	С	
LIENHOLDER(S)/ MORTGAGEE(S):	none		
ACTIVE UTILITIES:	🖂 yes 🗌 n	DISCONNECTED ON: 1	N/A

APRIL 2021 COMMISSION ORDER AND CASE UPDATE:

- Previous commission orders from the January 2021 and February 2021 Building and Standards Commission meetings are mostly the same as the April 2021 order below in regards to repairs to guest room windows. All other items such as the water tank repairs, interior repairs, and repairs to windows at first floor have been completed by the owner.
- During the April 26, 2021, Building and Standards Commission meeting, the Commission accepted staff's recommendation and ordered that:
- ☑ the building <u>may</u> feasibly be repaired so that it is no longer in violation of City ordinances and must be repaired <u>November 1, 2021</u>, in accordance with the owner-provided time schedule, as follows:

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- ☑ the owner is to submit additional estimates for needed repairs to the north facing fire rated windows and surrounding elements per report by Dudley/Dunham Engineering dated January 15, 2021, within <u>30 days;</u>
- all repairs to the north facing fire rated windows and surrounding elements, including, but not limited to replacing broken glass, repaint, repair rust on windows and lintels, repair

and/or repoint masonry around windows where damaged, must be completed by <u>November</u> <u>1, 2021;</u>

- ☑ until all repairs have been completed, only the following guest rooms are deemed safe for hotel occupancy as the have fire rated glass windows: #201. #301, #401, #501, #601, and #701; all other guest rooms need to remain unoccupied until windows are replaced per report by Dudley/Dunham Engineering dated January 15, 2021; the hotel shall not rent, sell, or occupy any rooms with damaged or missing wood window sashes;
- the owner and/or his/her designated contractor is to submit building permit applications, which must include architectural plans, for all window replacements, to the City of Bryan for review and approval prior to commencing work;
- the owner and/or his/her designated contractor shall request required City inspections for all window replacements, including inspections for final approval and permit close out;
- the owner shall appear before the Building and Standards Commission at each regularly scheduled meeting, to demonstrate compliance with the time schedule, until the preceding orders have been fulfilled.
- The owner obtained approval for the proposed replacement windows from the Texas State Historical Commission and also received approval for the proposed replacement windows from City of Bryan Historic Landmark Commission (HLC) on April 14, 2021.
- The owner submitted the attached engineer's report from Beason Brackin and Associates, LLC. on the Friday prior to the April 26, 2021 Building and Standards Commission meeting.
 - The owner and Mr. Beason discussed the report during the April 26, 2021 Building and Standards Commission meeting and asked that "temporary horizontal supports" be allowed to be installed so that all guest rooms could be occupied.
 - During the April 26, 2021 meeting, the Commission accepted staff's recommendations to keep all guest rooms vacant except for those already identified in the previous Commission orders that have only North facing fire rated windows.
 - Since then, the owner has asked to be allowed to make temporary repairs the guest room windows per the Beason Brackin and Associates, LLC engineer report. See attached email and letter to commission dated April 26, 2021.
 - City staff have advised the owner that the proposed temporary window repairs or other items installed that affect the exterior appearance has to receive prior approvals from the City's Historic Land Commission. As of June 14, 2021, the owner has not applied for any such approvals.
 - The owner did provide a letter from the Texas Historical Commission dated May 17, 2021, in which that Commission indicated no objections to the measures so long as they are temporary, and "pending any local review or permitting that is necessary".
- On May 4, 2021, City staff received an email from architect Nathan Winchester saying he was no longer involved in the window repairs for the LaSalle (see attached email dated May 4, 2021). The city has advised the owner that a licensed architect or engineer should oversee all window repairs and replacements due to size of the building. Discussions took place that the licensed design professional could be an architect or engineer with experience equal to that of Beason Brackin and Associates, LLC. The owner stated he was going to check with Beason Brackin and Associates to see if they could be hired for preparing additional plans, specifications, and reports for the window replacement/repair permit issuance and oversee repairs for the North facing windows and all other guest room window repairs and replacements. Previous Commission orders from January, February,

and April 2021 stated that architect plans must be included with permit applications for window repairs/replacement.

- On Monday May 3, 2021 the Chief Building Official received notice about a broken window incident that damaged a car parked below from May 1, 2021. After obtaining and reviewing the police incident report (see attached), the Chief Building Official learned that the guest rooms that are supposed to be vacant and secured are not completely secured. The Chief Building official also had reason to believe that some of the guest rooms were currently occupied and have been previously occupied during recent events such as the winter storm Uri. Per the Police incident report, several hotel staff are noted as having addresses of 120 S. Main St, and Felix Hernandez specifically stated that his address was room 210. In addition, room #702 was apparently not kept secured resulting in window damage causing damage to a parked vehicle at the street below.
- On May 7, 2021 the owner sent the attached email and window purchase order receipt showing that the correct windows approved by the HLC have been purchased and ordered.
- On May 8, 2021, the Chief Building Official responded to questions from window contractor see attached email dated May 8, 2021.
- On May 13, 2021 the Chief Building Official noticed that more wood frames have been removed on the West side of the building, possibly result from additional damage from recent hail storms.
- On May 24, 2021 the owner sent the attached email updating the City on window delivery which is set for the week of July 19, 2021. Second delivery would be expected the week of July 26, 2021.
- On June 1, 2021, the original architect for the 1999 renovations contacted the Chief Building Official and advised that the owner may hire him to produce required plans, specifications, and oversee the repairs and window replacements. See attached emails dated June 1, 2021. The Chief Building Official replied back to the architect on what was needed and the two spoke by phone the following day.
- On June 9, 2021 the Chief Building Official obtained an administrative search warrant to check for occupancy of any rooms that are not allowed to be occupied and to check condition of the windows (see attached recent photos). More wood sashes have been removed. No rooms were found to be occupied other than rooms that are allowed to be occupied. Mr. Hernandez had moved to Room 201, which is one of the rooms that is allowed to be occupied per the Commission's orders. Please refer to attached email dated June 11, 2021.
- The Chief Building Official believes that the property is currently substantially in compliance with the Commission's order of April 26, 2021 for all items except for the owner not having submitted estimates for repairs to the north facing fire rated windows. The City still has questions in regards to the estimates for repairs to the existing North facing fire rated windows and surrounding elements (see attached estimates dated April 24, 2021 and Chief Building Official's response/questions to owner dated May 8, 2021). The estimates appear to indicate that repairs to the masonry and lintels will be performed from the interior of the building. The Chief Building Official believes a licensed design professional should prepare plans, estimates, and specifications to clarify how the repairs will be made safely and fully to preserve the historic exterior elements of the structure.
- The Chief Building Official recommends that the Commission issue a new order so that the repairs can be completed by November 1, 2021, in accordance with the timeline proposed by the owner prior to the commission's April 26, 2021 meeting, and with new requirements for permit issuance.

PREVIOUSLY SHARED BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

BRAZOS COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT/TAX OFFICE INFORMATION:

PROPERTY ID:	23309
IMPROVEMENT VALUE:	\$1,825,617
YEAR BUILT:	1927
SF OF LIVING AREA:	45,600
CURRENT OWNER SINCE:	2015
PROPERTY TAXES OWED:	\$22,351.60 (2020)

- Built in 1928, the hotel has 55 guest rooms, approximately 45,600 square feet of floor area, seven stories, and a basement. The wood sashed windows on floors 2 through 7 were installed in 1999.
- Interior glass storm windows were installed in guest rooms at the same time for sound control. Some of the interior glass storm windows appear to have been replaced with acrylic glass.
- April 2016 City staff discussed window replacement and a potential tax credit project with the owner.
- October 2018 City staff talked with the owner again about replacing the windows.
- November 2018 Owner shared an estimate for fabrication of custom made wooden sash units for all of the windows. This estimate was for \$277,000 from a shop that specializes in historic preservation millwork.
- April 2019 Windstorm event Reportedly, some window sashes had fallen out. It was observed that window sashes were missing leaving only the interior storm window.
- Over the past few years, some of the wood sashed guest room windows have failed due to a lack of maintenance, deterioration due to condensation, or other factors. Some wood window sashes have reportedly fallen out and some have been removed due to safety concerns.
- As of December 2020, approximately 36 exterior windows have had wood sashes removed. All that remains in these 36 window openings are vinyl window frame systems that once held the now removed wood sashes, and the interior storm window systems.
- The Chief Building Official and Fire Marshal inspected the building on October 6, 2020, with an administrative warrant. The purpose of the inspection was to document any issues within the building and the exterior. All floors, roof, exterior and majority of the guest rooms were inspected. See attached email report from City of Bryan Fire Marshal dated October 14, 2020.
- On October 9, 2020, the Fire Marshal notified/instructed the owner to identify and remove any windows that have panes or other materials that could fall from the building.
- The Fire Marshal sent the owner an email with inspection notes from the October 6, 2020 inspection on October 14, 2020. Please see the attached email.
- The owner provided a punch list update on October 14, 2020. Please see the attached email.
- The Fire Marshal, Chief Building Official, owner, and hotel staff met at the property on Monday October 26, 2020, and discussed corridor and stairway lighting and progress on other repairs to date.
- October 26, 2020 The owner applied for a building permit to start repairs on doors, 1st floor windows, and other areas. Please see the attached permit documents. The building permit and plan review comments were issued on October 29, 2020.
- On January 6, 2021, the owner reported that all 1st floor windows and doors have been repaired. These will be inspected by City and a City contracted Engineer the week of January 11, 2021.

- The owner provided a punch list update on October 29, 2020. Please see the attached email.
- The Chief Building Official emailed the owner with questions on November 11, 2020. The owner replied with list of rooms that not being utilized or occupied by guests, along with answers to other questions. Please see the attached email.
- The Owner provided a punch list update on November 19, 2020. Please see the attached email.
- The Chief Building Official sent the owner an email on November 20, 2020, with additional notes, questions, and notice of property being scheduled for the January 2021 Building and Standards Commission meeting. Please see the attached email.
- The owner and architect responded to the Chief Building Official's November 20, 2020, email on November 25, 2020. Please see the attachments. Work was still progressing and the owner and architect were working on repair plans, estimates, and a timeline for repairs.
- The Chief Building Official spoke with architect on December 4, 2020, and the architect was still inspecting windows.
- On December 9, 2020, the Chief Building Official, Deputy Fire Marshal, City electrical inspector, and City plumbing inspector inspected the bar (5 Knocks) located in the basement of the La Salle Hotel in order to close an expired building permit (dated 2018) that was issued for renovations and to issue a Certificate of Occupancy for that business location.
 - Electrical and plumbing issues were identified with permits needing to be obtained by a licensed electrician and plumber.
 - An email dated December 12, 2020 was sent to owner (attached) regarding items needing to be completed for the bar. An electrical permit and plumbing permits were obtained by licensed contractors.
 - An electrical inspection was called in on December 14, 2020 and approved.
 - A plumbing inspection was called in and approved for the water heater repairs, however, sink repairs are still outstanding as of January 8, 2021. The owner is in the process of hiring a new plumber to complete these repairs.
- City staff emailed the owner all associated Building and Standards Commission letters and staff surveys (Building and Fire) on December 29, 2020. Please see attachments.
- The owner has been responsive and has made repairs to many of the items from the original email report dated October 14, 2020, sent from the Fire Marshal as noted in attached punch list reports and emails.

Outstanding items as of January 8, 2021 are as follows:

- o light fixture replacement in interior stairways,
- final sink repairs in basement bar,
- exterior windows in guestrooms, and
- roof mounted water tank.
- December 9, 2020 The City received a copy of the architect's plans for window guardrails. The owner and architect proposed a temporary guardrail solution to protect openings where only the storm window remained and wood sashes were missing in order to rent these rooms out to guests. On January 7, 2021, the Owner relayed that they no longer wanted to explore this option and instead keep these rooms unoccupied to focus on window replacement. The City had advised that the guardrails would change the exterior appearance and required Bryan Historic Landmark Commission (HLC) approval prior to installation.
- December 14, 2020 The Chief Building Official finished code review on exterior window safety. After discussing with an architect, local engineers, International Code Council (IBC), and other code consultants, it was determined that the City needed to consult with a structural engineer to complete inspections and evaluations of the windows and other conditions.

- On January 7, 2021, the Chief Building Official met with owner and architect via phone and discussed the remaining items and the submitted estimates and timeline provided by the owner. Please see attachments. The owner relayed that they only had a verbal confirmation from an engineer who recommended that the roof top water tank be removed. The Chief Building Official spoke with a contractor regarding the water tank removal on the same day. The remaining issues with the water tank removal and replacement of guest room windows is pending Texas State Historical Commission and local Bryan Historical Landmark Commission approval. The Chief Building Official advised the owner that City staff will be contracting with a structural engineer to evaluate the roof top water tank, exterior windows, sidewalk glass block elements, and immediate arears around the windows on January 7, 2021. Please see attached email dated January 8, 2021, sent to the owner regarding City contracting with an engineer to complete these inspections.
- On January 12, 2021, Dudley/Dunham Engineering was hired by the City and inspected the windows and roof top water tank and provided the attached report on January 15, 2021. The Chief Building Official obtained an administrative warrant for the inspections performed by the engineering firm.
- For the first meeting in January: The owner had submitted proposed estimates of \$131,100.00 for window replacement and a timeline to complete repairs by the end of July 2021 (6 months). The City received the attached engineer's report dated January 15, 2021 from Dudley / Dunham Engineering. The engineers report recommends repairs and states that only six rooms with windows on north elevation are safe to occupy. Per the engineer's report, the owner needs to include estimates for repairs (rust repairs/repainting windows, replacing broken glass, and repairing rust/repainting lintels) to the existing fire rated metal clad windows on the North elevation. The engineer's report also offers a repair to the water tank supporting structure for the water tank to remain. Masonry (re-pointing) repairs are needed around the North facing windows.

ATTACHMENTS:

- 1. staff recommendation
- 2. pictures
- 3. dangerous structures survey reports
- 4. Timeline and estimates submitted by owner.
- 5. October 14, 2020 email to owner with inspection notes from Fire Marshal
- 6. October 14, 2020 punch list update from owner
- 7. October 29, 2020 punch list update from owner.
- 8. October 29, 2020 building permit application and plan review for first floor window, door repairs, etc.
- 9. November 11, 2020 email to owner.
- 10. November 18 email to Architect.
- 11. November 19, 2020 punch list update from owner.
- 12. November 20, 2020 email to Owner.
- 13. November 24, 2020 architect's response to November 20, 2020 email.
- 14. December 3, 2020 email to architect.
- 15. December 12, 2020 email to architect with code review notes to date.
- 16. December 29, 2020 email to owner with associated Building and Standard Commission letters to date.
- 17. December 9, 2020 Architect's plans for window guardrails.
- 18. January 8, 2021 email to owner.
- 19. January 15, 2021 Dudley/Dunham Engineer's window and tank assessment.
- 20. February 4, 2021 email from Architect about the water tank
- 21. February 4, 2021 email from hotel manager on room blocks
- 22. February 8, 2021 owner revised timeline

- 23. February 12, 2021 email to owner about timeline, outstanding items
- 24. April 1, 2021 emails between Owner and Chief Building Official.
- 25. April 16, 2021 letter to Commission from Owner.
- 26. April 16, 2021 updated timeline from owner.
- 27. April 24, 2021 North Facing Fire Rated window repair estimates
- 28. April 26, 2021 owners letter to commission
- 29. April 26, 2021 owner's email and Brackin Bason engineer's report for temporary repairs
- 30. May 1, 2021 Bryan Police Incident reports
- 31. May 7, 2021 owner's email with window order receipt
- 32. May 8, 2021 Chief Building Official email to owner
- 33. May 8, 2021 Chief Building Official email to window contractor
- 34. May 24, 2021 owner's email about window delivery
- 35. June 1 emails between new architect and Chief Building Official
- 36. June 11, 2021 emails between owner and Chief Building Official

BUILDING AND STANDARDS COMMISSION STAFF RECOMMENDATION

June 21, 2021

B CITY OF BRYAN

Case #: 2406 Building Address: 120 South Main Street Record Owner(s): LH3 Hospitality LLC

The City's Chief Building Official has requested this Commission hearing to discuss the building on this property, and all legal notices of the hearing were provided to record owners, lienholders, and mortgagees. They were also notified that if they wanted to repair they needed to meet with City staff and come to the hearing with a detailed plan for repairs, including cost estimates. Based on the surveys, reports, photographs, and other evidence provided to the Commission, the City recommends that the Commission find the building unsafe based on the standards set forth in Bryan Code of Ordinances Section 14-224 subsection(s):

- 1) The building, structure, or any part thereof is likely to partially or fully collapse.
- 2) The structure or any part thereof was constructed or maintained in violation of any provision of the City's Building Code, or any other applicable ordinance or law of the city, county, state or federal government.
- 3) One or more walls or other vertical structural members list, lean, or buckle to such an extent that a plumb line passing through the center of gravity falls outside of the middle third or its base.
- 4) The foundation or the vertical or horizontal supporting members are twenty five percent (25%) or more damaged or deteriorated.
- 5) The non supporting coverings of walls, ceilings, roofs, or floors are fifty percent (50%) or more damaged or deteriorated.
- 6) The structure has improperly distributed loads upon the structural members, or they have insufficient strength to be reasonably safe for the purpose used.
- 7) The structure or any part thereof has been damaged by fire, water, earthquake, wind, vandalism, or other cause to such an extent that it has become dangerous to the public health, safety and welfare.
- 8) The structure or any part thereof has inadequate means of egress as required by the City's Building Code.
- 9) The structure does not have adequate light ventilation, or sanitation facilities as required by the City's Building Codes and Plumbing Code.

The City further recommends that the Commission make a finding and issue an order that:

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The City further recommends that the Commission order that:

In the event that an owner, mortgagee, or lienholder fails to comply with an order to repair, the City may bring the property back before the Commission for further orders, including but not limited to demolition of the building and in addition to the foregoing, the City may also issue a citation under Bryan Code of Ordinances Section 14-219 for failing to comply with the order.

RECENT PICTURES:





More wood window sashes have been removed on West side

More wood sashes removed on East Side



More wood sashes removed on South side

PREVIOUSLY SHARED PICTURES:





South façade.

East Façade.





West Façade.

Roof mounted water tank, not in use, has rust.



Fire rated steel windows on North façade.

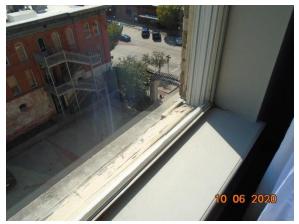


Steel lintels are rusting and possibly causing masonry damage.

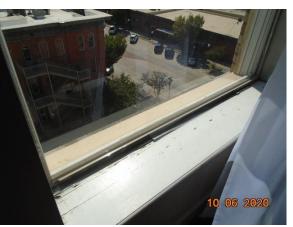


Interior view of interior storm window system and Wood sash with moisture damage

Window opening missing wood sashes and with only interior storm window



Exterior wood sill water damage/deterioration



Interior wood window sill water damage



Another view of exterior window sill rot



Window missing lower wood sash



Interior guest room window



Interior guest room window with damage





Rotten/damaged sash

Window mullions loose



Rot in lower window sash



Interior - rotten window sash

View from inside guest room, rotten window sash



Interior – sash and sill damage



First floor wood store front windows and transoms. Rotten wood that has since been repaired/replaced.



Rusty exterior door that has since been replaced.



Loose gas line that has since been secured.



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В.	SPECIFICATIONS: No. Rooms app 50	No. Stories 7	No. Structures 1
	STRUCTURAL USE	CONSTRUCTION	OCCUPANCY
	Residential/Single Family Mixed Use	Box Frame	X Occupied Vacant
	X_Commercial Residential/Multi Family Accessory Structure	X Masonry Mobile Home	Open

С. FINDINGS

The structure or a part thereof has been damaged by fire, water, earthquake, wind, <u>X</u> 01. vandalism, or other cause to such an extent that it has become dangerous to the public health, safety, and welfare.

> <u>X</u> l estimate that all windows will need some level of repair/replacement to maintain the property in a safe condition.

- The structure or a part thereof has deteriorated to such an extent that it has become <u>X</u> 02. dangerous to the public health, safety, and welfare. Main Structure? X Accessory Structure?
 - The structure or a part thereof does not have adequate means of egress as required by 03. the City's building code, and poses a danger in case of fire or panic. Main Structure? _____ Accessory Structure? _____
 - The structure or a part thereof lacks necessary fire-resistive construction, and the threat 04. of a fire in the structure poses a risk to inhabitants, neighboring structures, and fire department personnel.

Main Structure? _____ Accessory Structure? _____

- 05. Obsolete, damaged, or deteriorated electric wiring, gas connections, heating apparatus, or other mechanical infrastructure present a risk of fire. Main Structure? _____ Accessory Structure? _____
- 06.

The proximity of the structure or a part thereof to other structures on this or neighboring properties constitutes a fire hazard for the other structures. Main Structure? _____ Accessory Structure? _____

The structure or a part thereof is in violation of the City's fire code. 07. Main Structure? _____ Accessory Structure? _____

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- _____ 08. The building, structure, or a part thereof is being used by criminals, vagrants, or squatters for the purpose of suspected illegal activity. Main Structure? _____ Accessory Structure? _____
- _____ 09. The building, structure, or a part thereof presents an attractive nuisance to children. Main Structure? _____ Accessory Structure? _____

COMMENTS Greg Cox, Randy Haynes, and I inspected the building on 10/6/2020. The reason for the

inspection was many windows were missing from the side of the building and we wanted to make sure there

was adequate weather and fall protection for the interior of the building. Mr. Patel was not onsite but was

called shortly after the inspection of the property to relay the items that needed immediate attention (see

attached email that was sent). The main problem with the building were the missing exterior windows and

several of the existing windows still in place had the potential for the glass or the wood frames to fall to the

ground. After the phone conversation about the potential hazard, Mr. Patel contacted a crew to remove all windows that were a hazard by the end of that week. An email was sent to Mr. Patel on 10/14/2020 with the list of items that needed to be corrected on the property after he had corrected the fall hazard from the windows. He responded on 10/14/2020 that all windows that were a safety hazard had been removed. Mr. Patel sent another email updating us on 10/20/2020 on waiting on quotes for other items included in the inspection list. On 10/22/2020 he requested that we meet with him to discuss in more detail some of the items. On the same date, we set up a meeting for the 26th to discuss the items and he was sent a building permit application. We met with him to discuss his concerns and he returned the building application through email. He sent an update on the list 10/29/2020 which included measurements of the windows and architect discussion on the plan to move forward with window replacement. On 11/2/2020 he sent an update that work had begun on the bottom floor window frames to replace rotten wood and that the architect was preparing a report for the state historical commission to approve the window replacement. On 11/11/2020 we wanted to verify that the

rooms where there was no window were not being used for occupancy in the building. He sent back the next

day the rooms that were offline and a room list which totaled 22 rooms. When addressing the timeline for the

installation of windows, he said he was personally ready but needed more communication on the windows

requirements. The architect reached out to the city planner to discuss options on the windows on 11/13/2020.

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On 11/17/2020 the owner reached out to the city on a plan to install fall protection in the rooms that were on the list of rooms offline for occupancy.

The primary hazards that were addressed on 10/06/2020 have been or are being addressed and we are currently waiting on the window replacement schedule as needs to be developed and accepted by the historical commissions. The rooms that are missing windows must remain vacant until appropriate fall protection is provided. At the time of inspection the building was unsafe, but at this time the structure is not dangerous and the owner is working to correct outstanding items.

D. DETERMINATION

- It has been determined upon inspection and investigation that the structure is 1. dangerous, unsafe, or a hazard to public health and must be secured and:
 - A. ____ Be vacated OR ____ remain unoccupied; and
 - B. ____ Be repaired OR ____ be demolished.
- X 2. It has been determined upon inspection and investigation that the structure is not dangerous, unsafe, or a hazard to public health as defined by the City's Code of Ordinances.

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Date

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A. <u>PROPERTY ADDRESS: 120 S. Main (City of Bryan Townsite, Block 256, Lot 1 (40' of) & 11' of W 27th ST,</u> <u>"LASALLE HOTEL" & ASSOCIATED BBP</u>

В.	SPECIFICATIONS: No. Rooms <u>114+</u> 55 gues	No. Stories7 <u>t rooms</u>	No. Structures1
	STRUCTURAL USE	CONSTRUCTION	<u>OCCUPANCY</u>
	Residential/Single Family Mixed Use Commercial Residential/Multi Family Accessory Structure(s)	Box Frame X Masonry/concrete Mobile Home	XOccupied Vacant Open

C. <u>FINDINGS</u>

_X____01. The structure or a part thereof was constructed or maintained in violation of a provision of the City's building code, other applicable ordinance, state law, or federal law. Specifically, the following:

> <u>2015 IBC – 2014 NEC</u> <u>Windows and stair way lights/emergency lights</u> Main structure? <u>X</u>

- _____ 02. Any wall or other vertical structural members list, lean, or buckle to an extent that a plumbline passing through the center of gravity falls outside of the middle third of its base. Main structure? _____
- _____03. The foundation or the vertical or horizontal supporting members are materially damaged or deteriorated. Main structure? ___X___ Accessory structure? ___X___
- _X____04. The non-supporting coverings of walls, ceilings, roofs, or floors are materially damaged or deteriorated. Main structure? <u>X (window sills)</u>
- _X___ 05. The structure has improperly distributed loads upon the structural members, or they have insufficient strength to be reasonably safe for the purpose used. Main structure? <u>(possibly wood supports under water tank on roof)</u>
 - _____06. The structure or any part thereof has inadequate means of egress as required by the city's building code. Main structure? ___X____

The structure is unsanitary, unfit for human habitation, or likely to cause sickness due to damage, deterioration, or inadequate design/construction. Specifically the structure does not meet the city's requirements for:

____ light ____ ventilation

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sanitation facilities Main structure?

- _X__ 08. Injury to persons or damage to property will result because portion, member or appurtenance is likely to fail, become detached or dislodged, or collapse. Main structure? X (windows – possibly water tank on roof)
- 09. Unable to give reasonable protection to any occupants from weather elements or danger of collapse because of:

Holes or cracks in the floor, exterior wall or roof

Loose, rotten, warped or protruding boards

Main structure? _____ Accessory

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_X___ Defective materials

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Interior walls or ceilings with holes, cracks or loose plaster Main structure? _____ Accessory structure? _____

The building, structure, or a part thereof, is unsecured and open.

Main structure? _____ Accessory structure? _____

COMMENTS: Structure is a seven story hotel structure with a basement. There are approx. 55 guest rooms. The city has received complaints about condition of the wood windows. The Chief Building Official and Fire Marshal inspected the structure on October 6, 2020. The main concern is structure has wood framed windows that have deteriorated and / or loosened/deteriorated in the window frame to the point of potential falling out. In some cases some wood sashes have reportedly fallen out storm events. Many of the interior wood window sills are rotten or damaged. Since October 6, 2020 the owner has removed all loose window sashed since October 2020 and XXX rooms are without window sashes. All guest rooms have an interior glass or plastic panel in a slim frame that appears to be site built and not a from a certified window manufacturer. The city is concerned about fall potential from guest rooms with the low window sills (below 42" guardrail height) and with potential of more windows sashes deteriorating to the point of falling out onto public street/sidewalks below. The owner was provided with a list of deficiencies and items needing repairs on October 14, 2020 (see attachment). The City received the following update on items completed from that list on "Inspection Punch List 111020" (see attachment). The owner has

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way on November 11, 2020, however it was discovered that the permit was not obtained prior to starting those

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FLOOR PLAN (See attachments)

D. <u>DETERMINATION</u>

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 - B. _X_ Be repaired

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CAPEBONI S. Cox 11-18-2020 Signature **Printed Name** Date

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I have a few questions:

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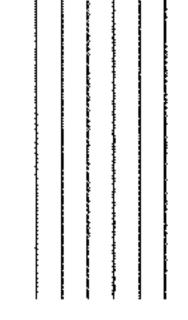
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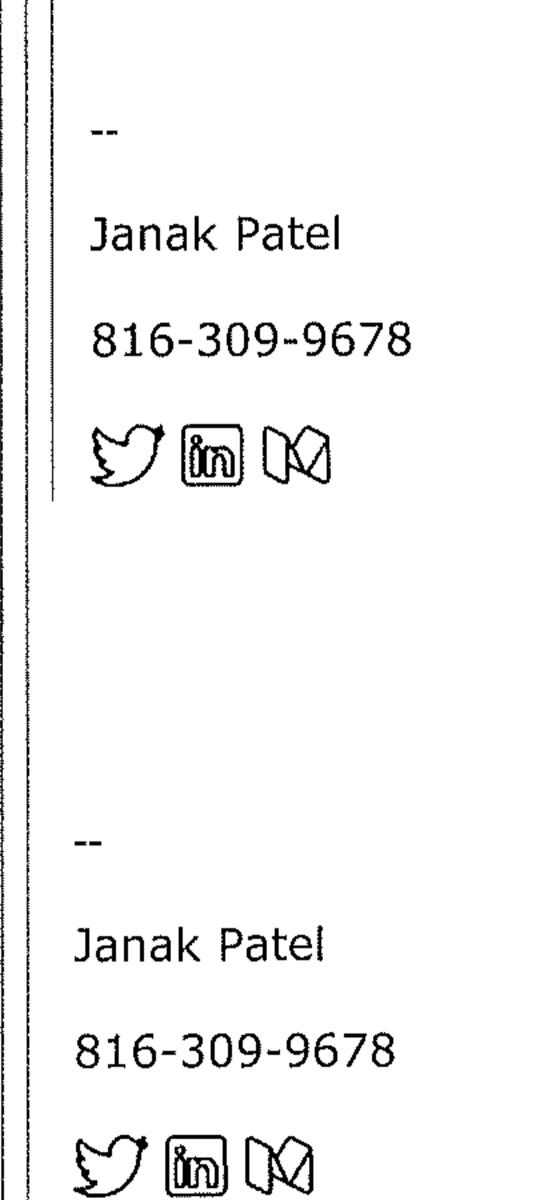
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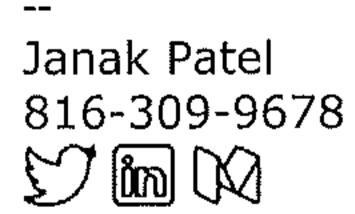


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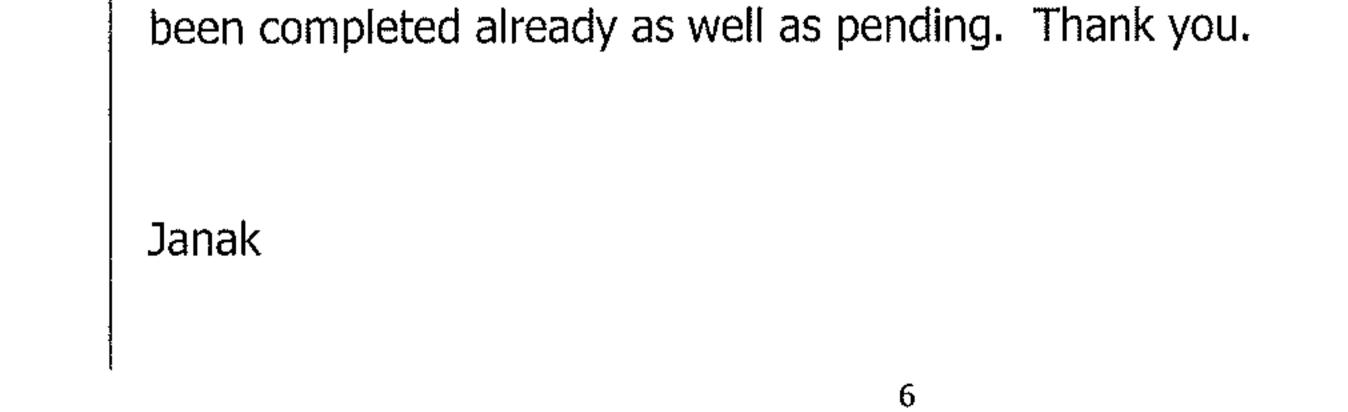
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7. **Construction** - This door is locked and a second exit is required from this space. This door needs to have panic hardware attached.

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Please contact us if you have any questions.

Thank you,

Marc McFeron

Fire Marshal



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From:	McFeron, Marc W
Sent:	Wednesday, October 14, 2020 10:25 AM
To:	jmpatel99@gmail.com
Cc:	Cox, Gregory; Haynes, Randall
Subject:	Inspection of La Salle 10-6-2020

Mr. Patel,

Greg Cox, Randy Haynes, and I inspected the La Salle Hotel 120 S Main on 10-6-2020. We found multiple items that are a concern and this list was developed to address them with you. Many of these items will need immediate attention and some will be able to be set on a schedule. Since the inspection through communication over the phone the day of the inspection, you have moved the Knox Box and removed several windows that were in severe condition. Any red highlighted items need immediate attention and may prevent occupancy. Any yellow highlighted items will need to be addressed within 2 weeks (10-28-2020) and other items will need further evaluation. In rooms that have had windows removed and glass or Plexiglas added, we need an evaluation of fall protection before occupants are allowed in these rooms. Any work done on the property will need appropriate permits/approvals before work is performed.

Exterior:

- This needs to be corrected with the box that is at the office remounted to the main 1. door on the exterior of the hotel.
- West exit door- is rusting with sharp edges in areas where the metal is completely rusted through. This door is a 2. required exit door and needs replacement.
- mounting brackets on west end are loose and need to be remounted to support the gas line. 3.
- East entrance door- is not aligned correctly and needs to be repaired to prevent water from entering. 4.
- Roof access hatch- is broken and need to be repaired or replaced. 5.
- Doors on the roof structure- need to be replaced. 6.
- appear to be in various stages of decay including the first floor store front windows and need to be 7. repaired or replaced. Some of them have panes that need to be removed and are a safety

hazard.

A licensed design professional (architect) will be required to evaluate the condition and replacement of the windows. You will need prior approval before replacement from the building department and the Bryan Historic Landmark Commission.

- Steel lintels- above the windows are rusting and need to be sanded, primed, and painted. 8.
- Water tank- on the roof is rusted through in several areas and the wood supports under the tank are 9. rotting. This needs to be evaluated for stability, repaired, or removed. If the tank is kept it will need a licensed design professional (engineer) to sign off on the repair with approval of the building department and possibly from the Bryan Historic Landmark Commission.

Interior:

- All the emergency lighting- in the hallways are having trouble and should be replaced with more reliable LED packs.
- Stairway lighting- has some problems with the fluorescent lighting such as missing covers, partially working 2. bulbs, non-working emergency lighting. Recommend installing more reliable lighting.
- There is storage located in multiple areas of the stairway especially on the first floor where 3. flammable liquids and gas bottles are stored in the exit corridor to both protected stairways.

- 4. Fire alarm panel- missing installation and inspection tags. Need to reprogram the panel so that room smokes do not set off a general alarm. I have spoken with the alarm company and will follow up with them on this item.
- 5. Wood is rotting at many of the windows in the rooms due to the condition of the exterior windows. If the windows don't get repaired this damage will continue to occur and possibly cause greater structural damage.
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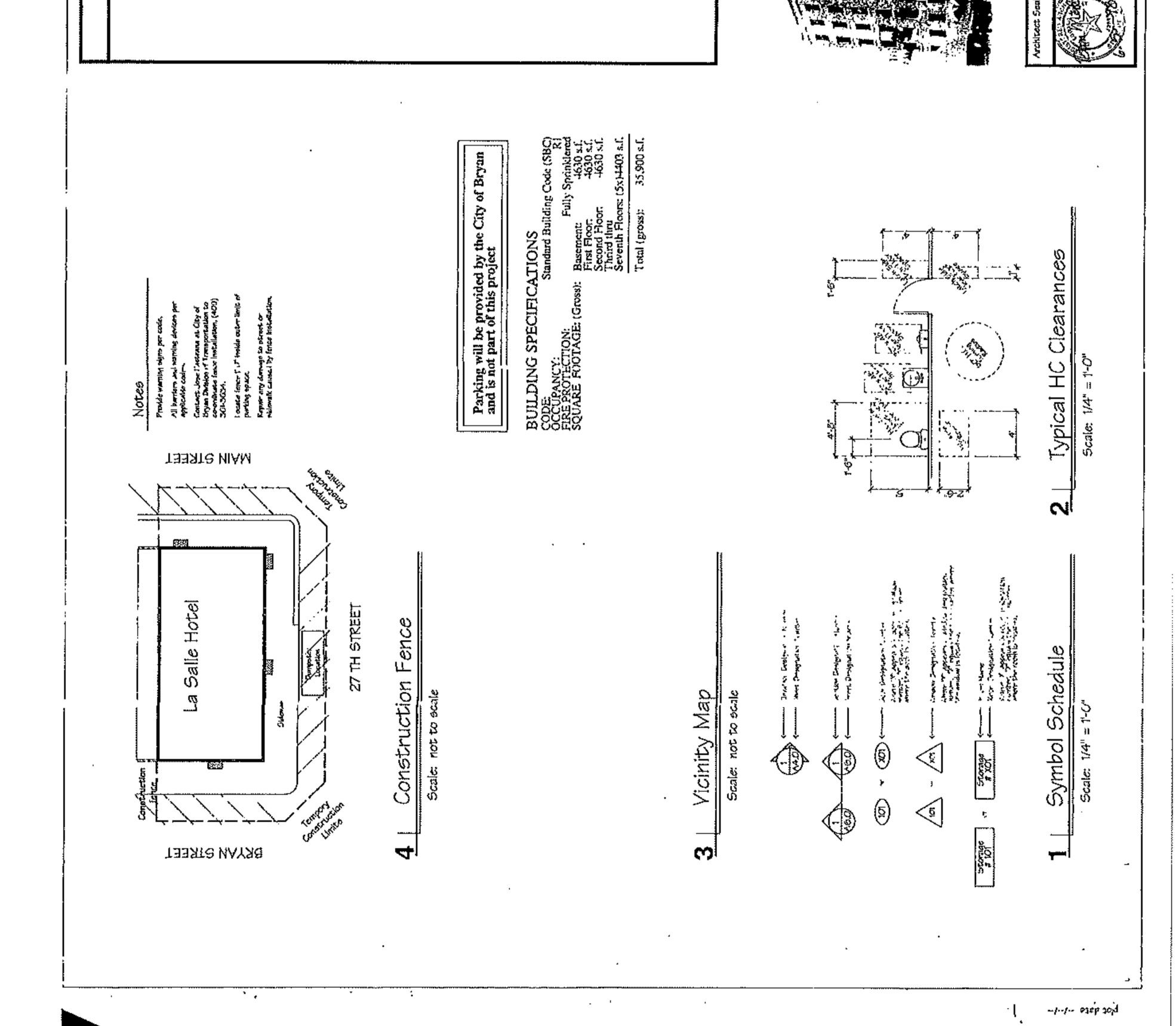
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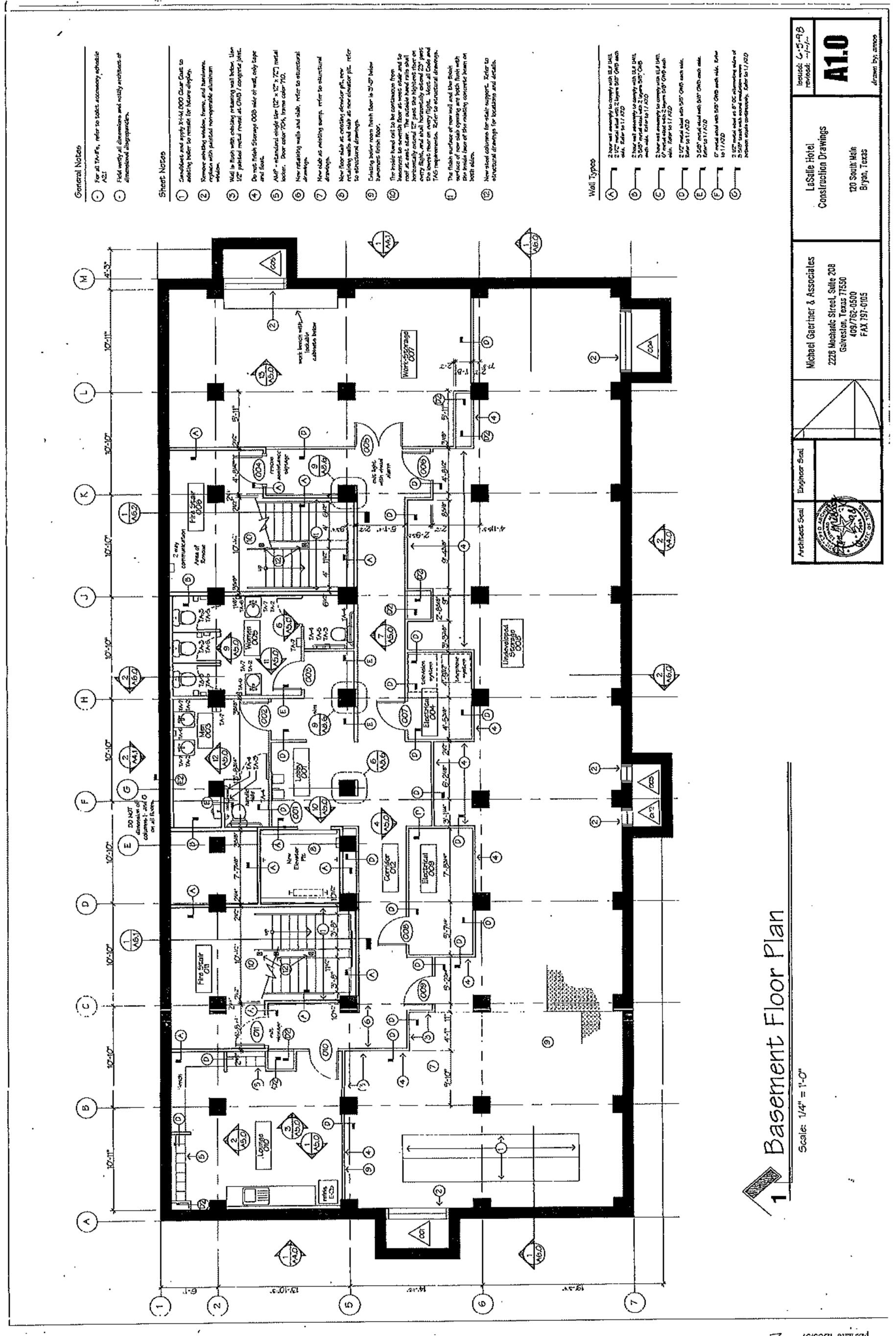
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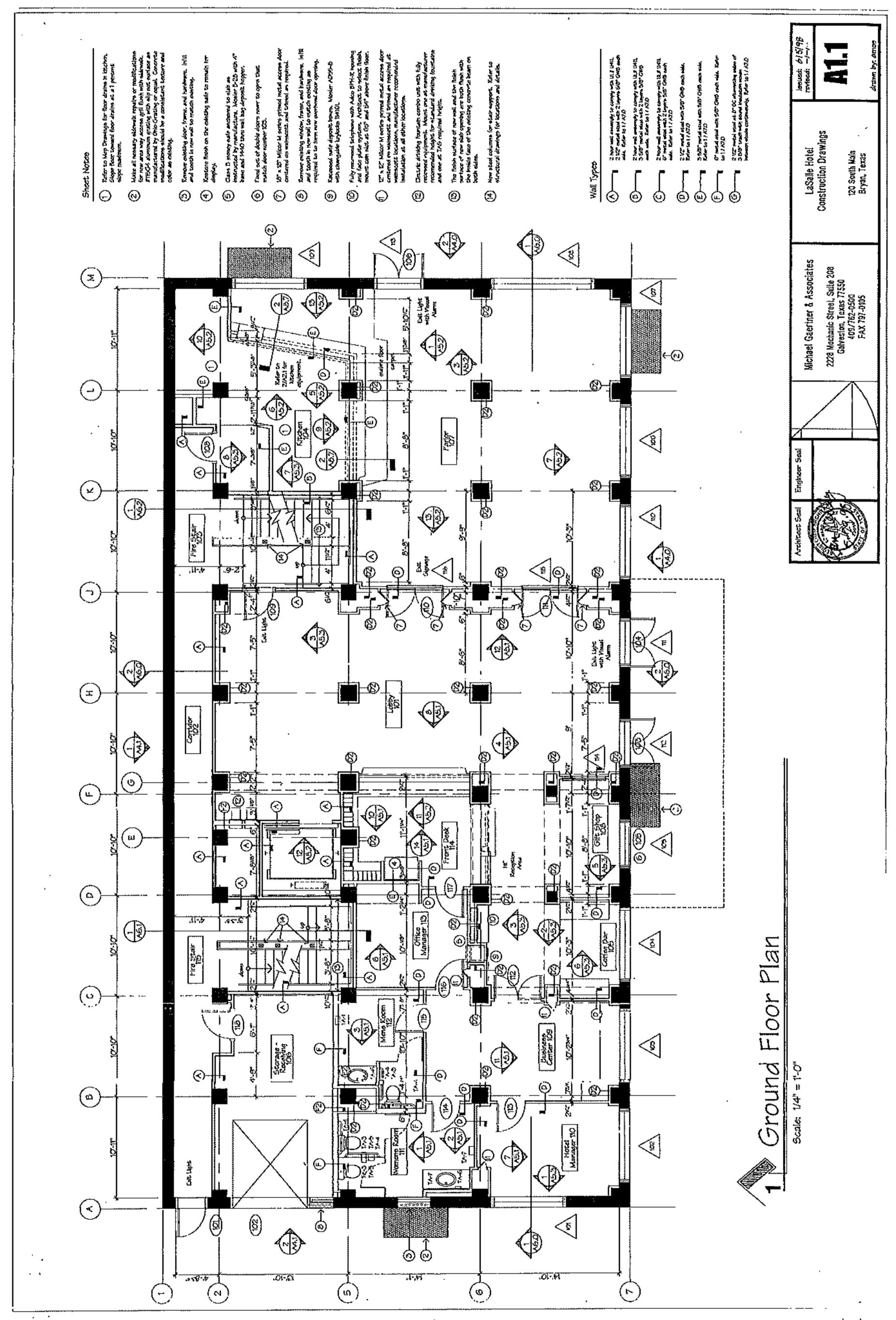
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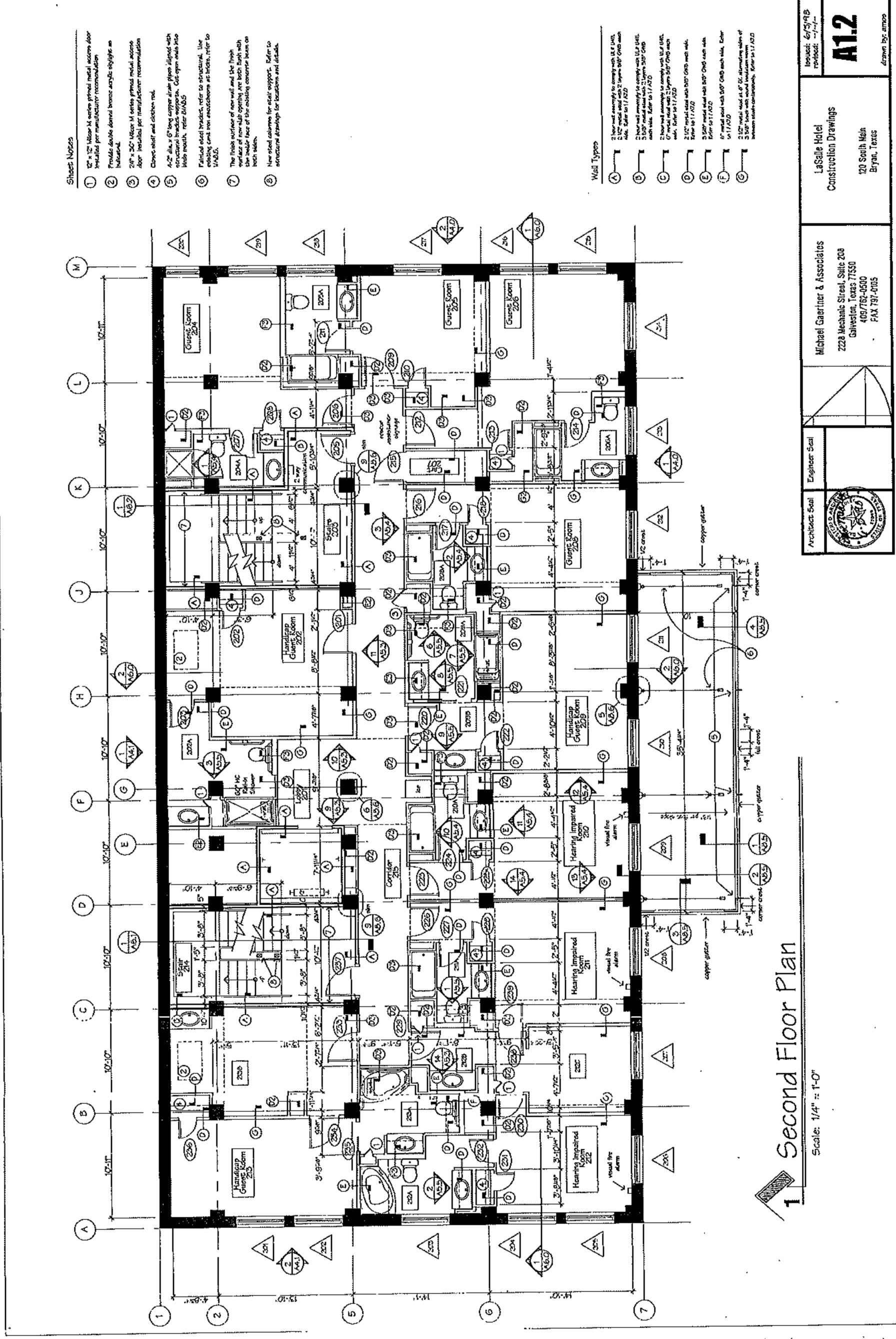




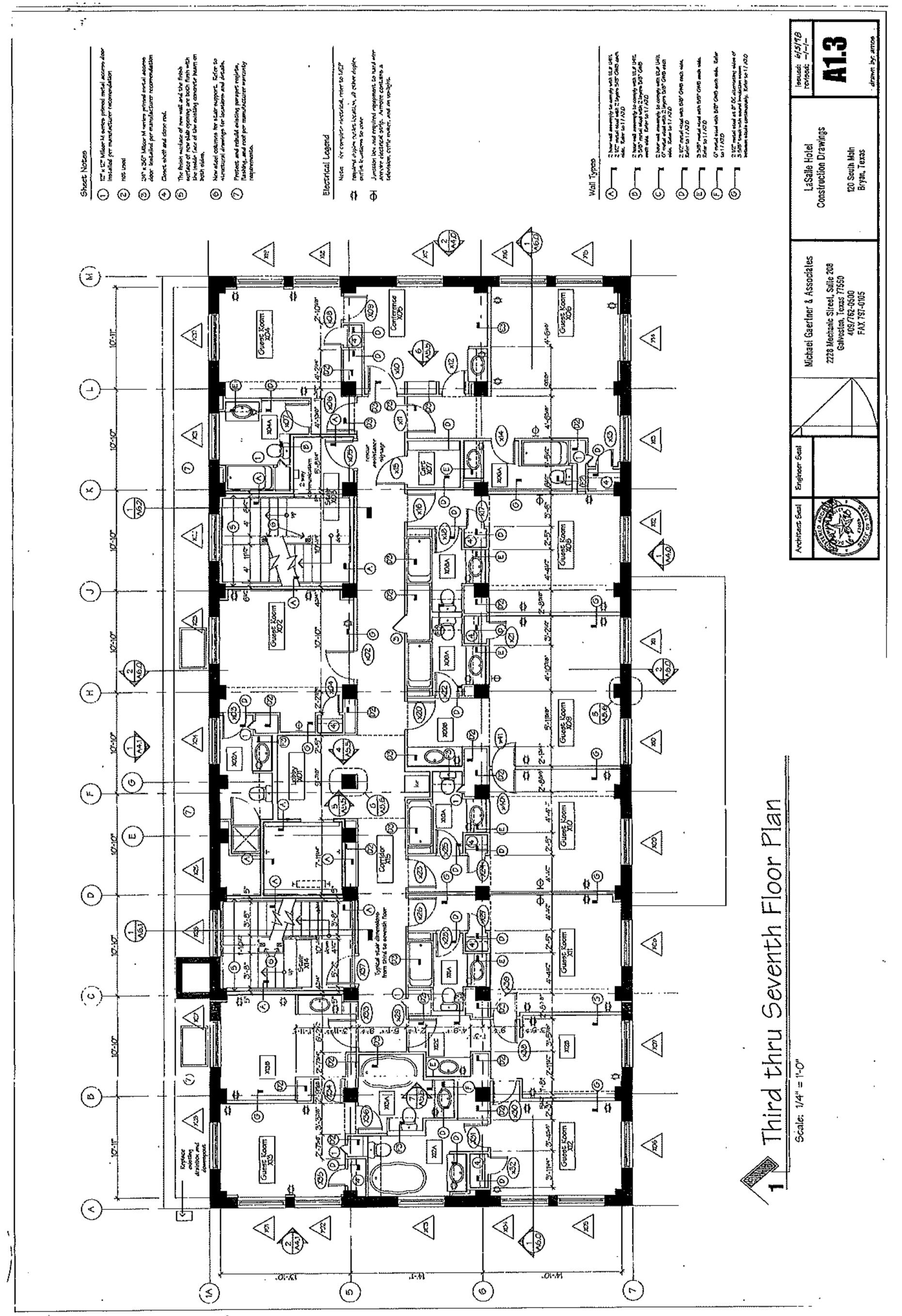
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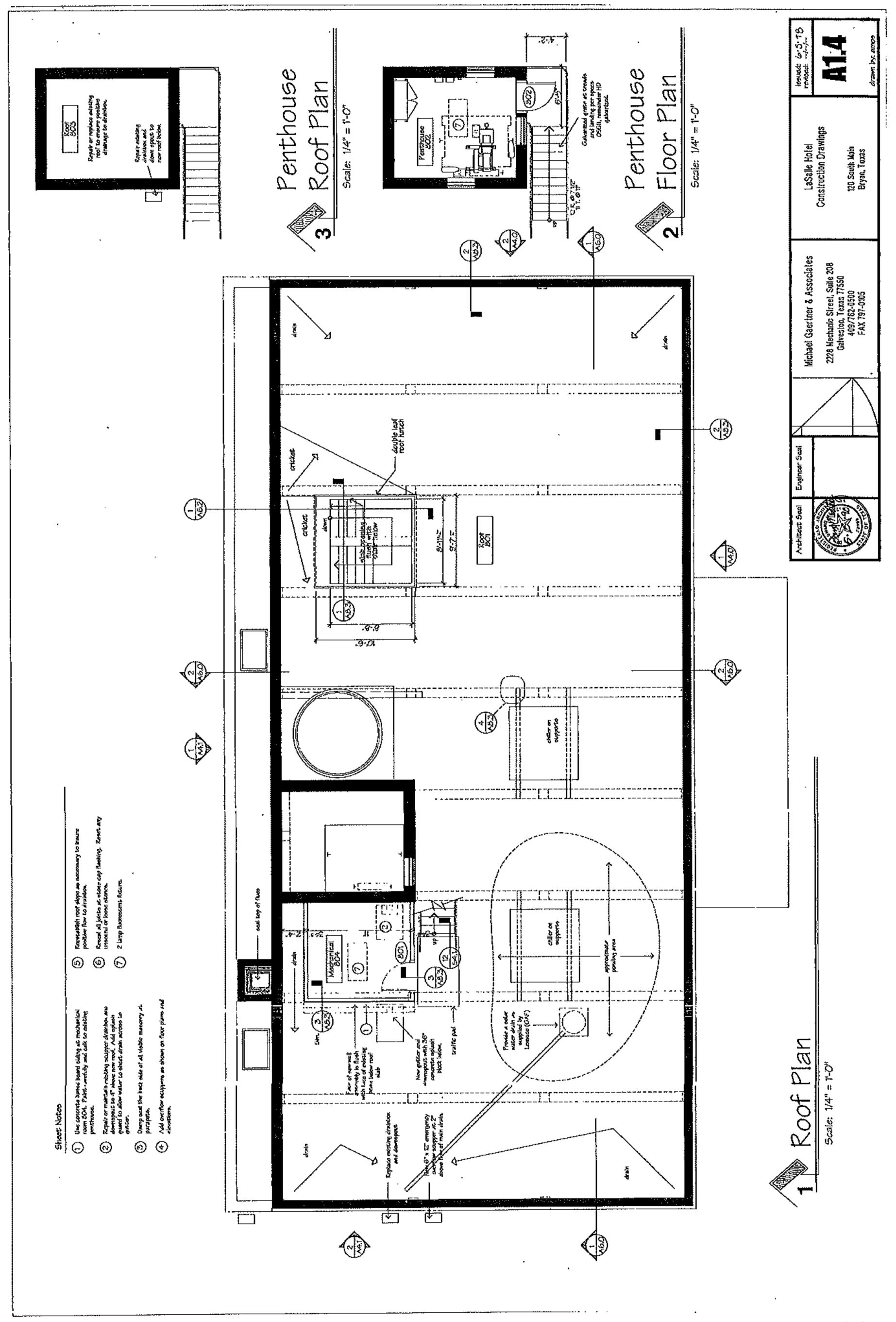
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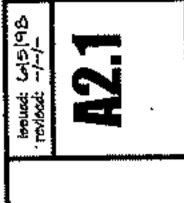
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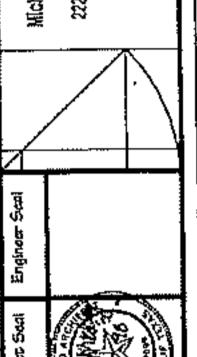
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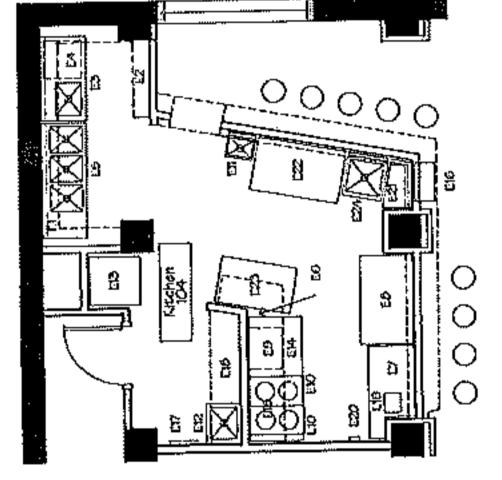
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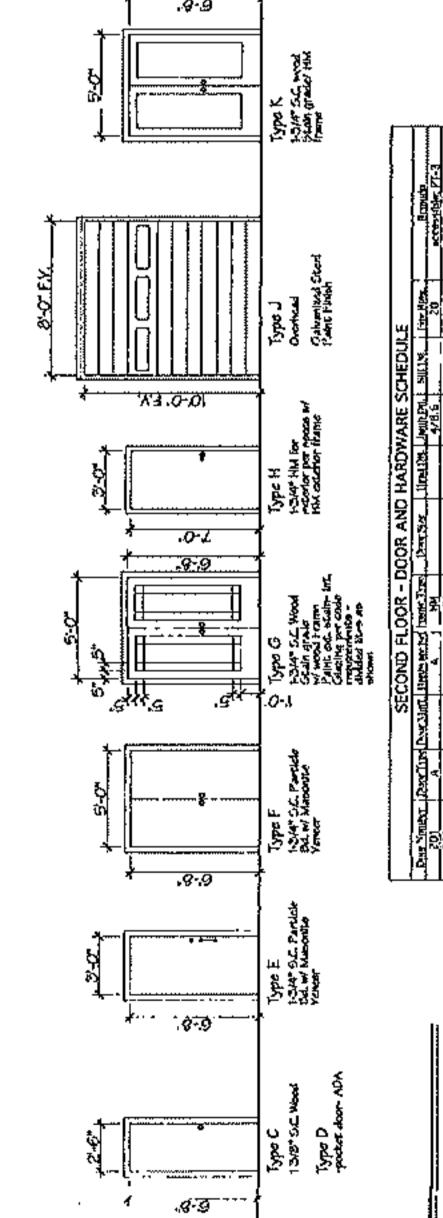
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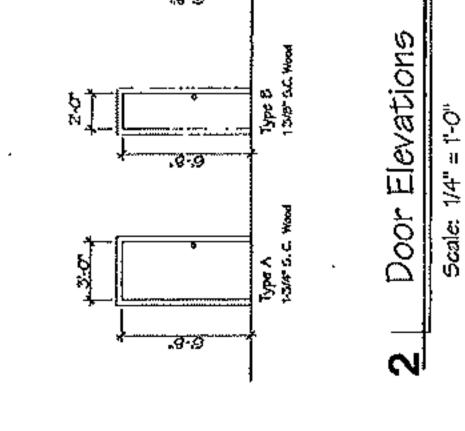
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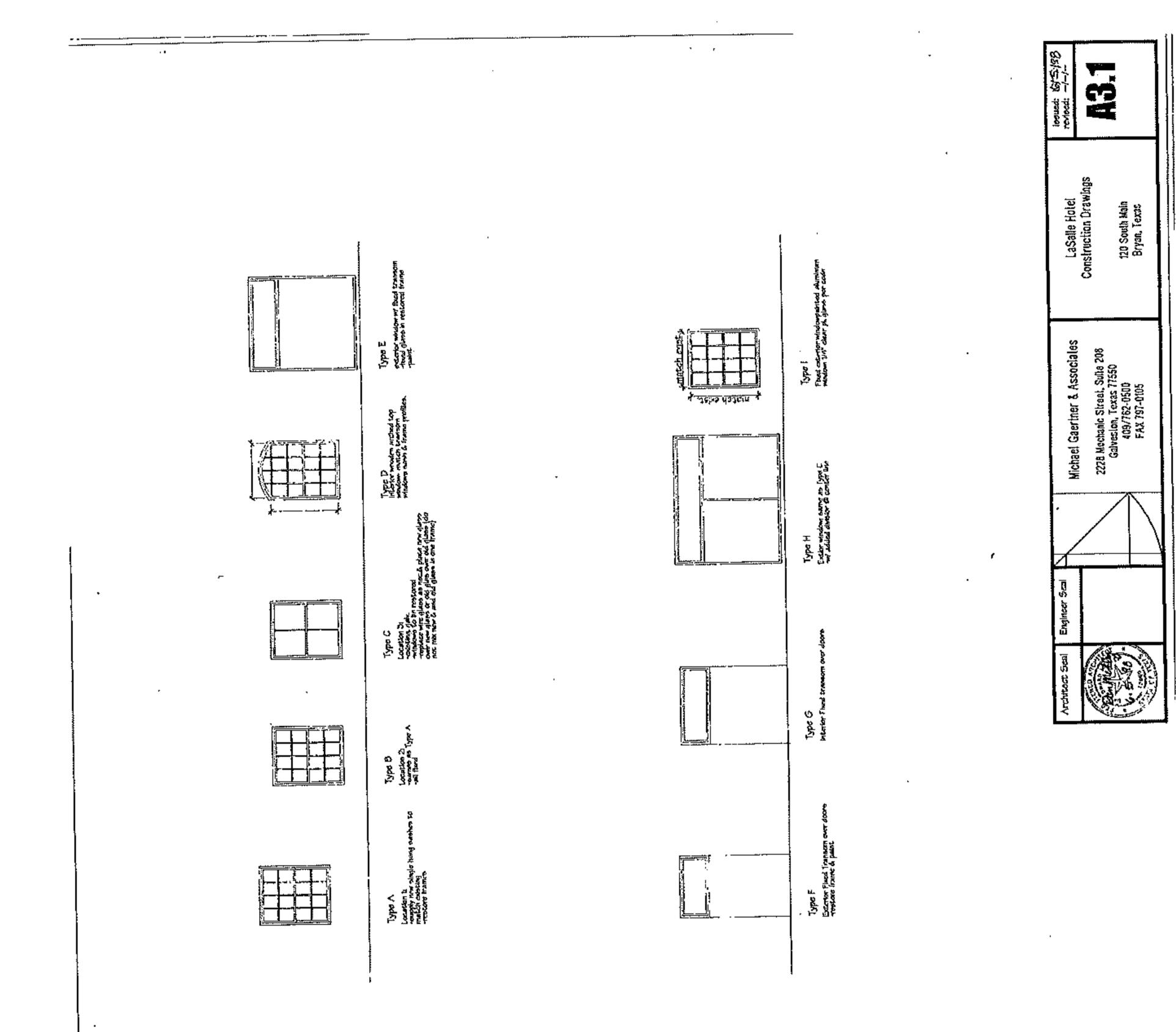
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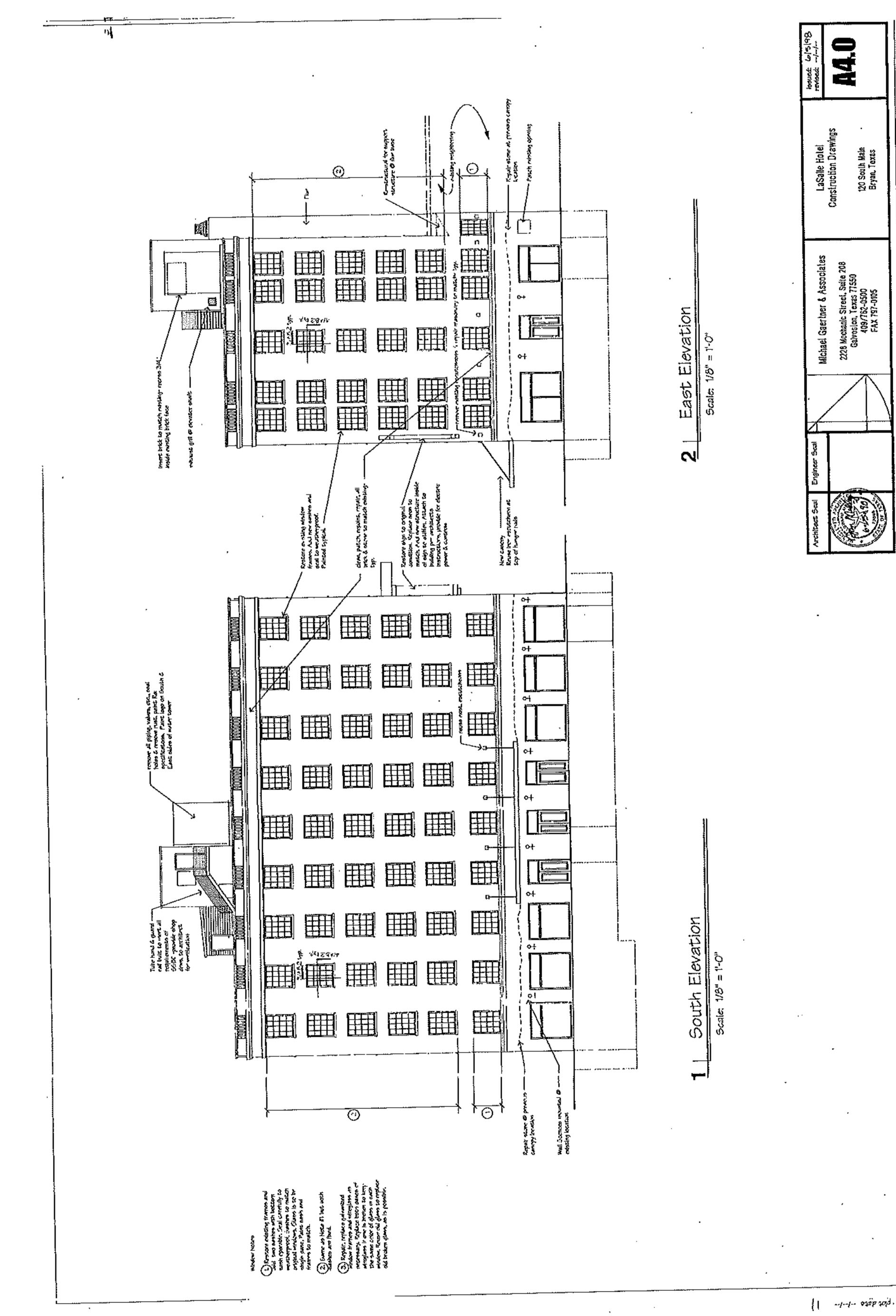
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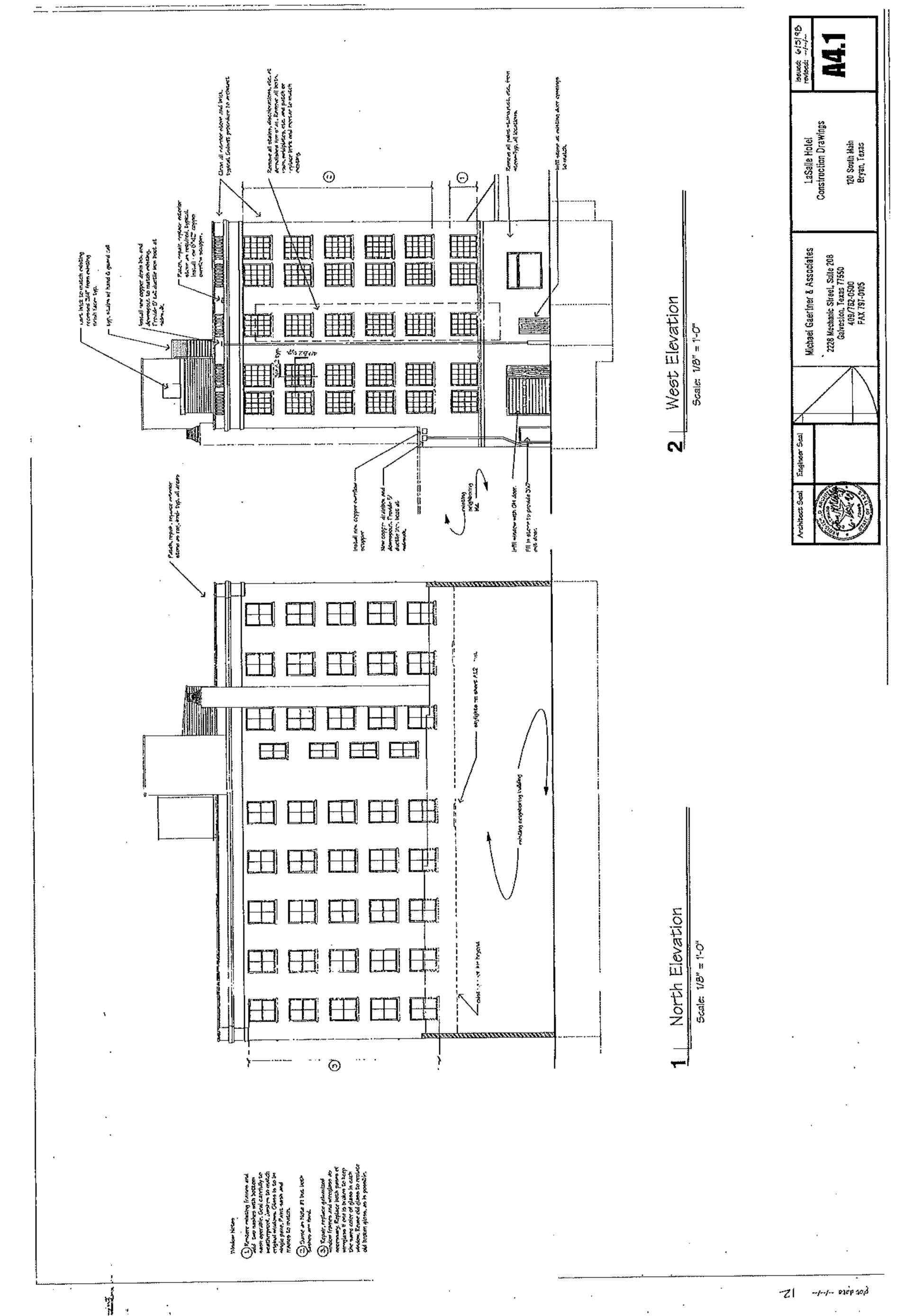
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MOST ACTION ITEMS HAVE BEEN COMPLETED

City Punch list Items	Status 1/11/20
No Knox Box at the entry	COMPLETED 10/7
Replace West Exit Door	COMPLETED 11/9
Re-Mount Brackets on Gas Line	COMPLETED 11/2
Re-Align East Entrance Door	COMPLETED 10/27
Repair Roof Access Hatch	COMPLETED 11/9
Replace Doors on Roof Structure	COMPLETED 11/9
Repair or Replace All Windows That are a Safety Hazard	
Sand, Prime, and Paint All Steel Lintels on Windows	Submitted/under review with TEXAS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
Repair or Remove Water Tank/Check for Stability	Application for removal in STAGE 5 (in conjunction with city arch removal)
5 knocks permit compliance	COMPLETE BY 1/30/20 (near completion)
Replace Emergency Lighting with LED Packs	COMPLETED 10/20 + 10/21
Repair or Replace Stairway Lighting	COMPLETE SCHEDULED BY 1/31
Remove Flammable Liquids/Gas Bottles in Exit Corridor	COMPLETED 10/14
Missing Tags on Fire Alarm Panel/Re-Program Panel	COMPLETED 10/20
Repair Rotted Wood on the Windows	COMPLETED 12/20
Organize Storage in Boiler Room/Maintenance Room	COMPLETED 10/14
Panic Hardware to be Installed on 5 Knocks Exit Door	COMPLETED 10/13
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LASALLE HOTEL - WINDOW/WATER TANK TIMELINE

Architectura I Analysis & Vendor Quotes 45 days	Texas State Historic Commission 60 days	City of Bryan Landmark Historic Commission 30 days	Grant Application & PACE Financing 30 days	Permitting & Installation 90 DAYS
STAGE 01	STAGE 02	STAGE 03	STAGE 04	STAGE 05
Oct 6		Jan 22	Feb 22	Apr 22 Jul 22

114 locally sourced & Historically accurate windows

Materials (Windsor windows and doors)	\$62,700
Labor and Design(Green Igloo door & windows)	\$68,400
Total	\$131,100
City Matching Grant Application	\$65,550
Financing	\$65,550

*subject to change

Pro-design Services - Bryan/College Station

Removal (Pro-Design of BCS)	\$7,500
Crane Rental & Permits	\$2,000
Total	\$9,500
City Matching Grant Application	\$4,750
Financing	\$4,750

* subject to change

CITY OF BRYAN PO BOX 1000 BRYAN TX 77805 (979) 209-5010 Phone Access Code 1517911 Application Number 20-00004029 Date 1/06/21 Property Address 120 S MAIN ST Parcel number . . 191000-0256-0010 Subdivision Name CITY OF BRYAN Property Use HISTORICAL DISTRICT Application valuation . . . 2280 Owner Contractor JANAK PATEL PRO DESIGN CONSTRUCTION 120 S MAIN ST 6391 BEDTHEL CEMETARY RD BRYAN, TX 77803 NORTH ZULCH TX 77872 BRYAN TX 77803 NORTH ZULCH TX 77872 (979) 777-1228 --- Structure Information 000 000 LASALLE HOTEL....CEM Other struct info BLDG INTENDED USE BLDG PRESENT USE HOTEL HOTEL Permit BUILDING PERMIT - COMMERCIAL Additional desc . . WINDOWS/DOORS...JT
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TEXAS HISTORICAL COMMISSION REAL PLACES TELLING REAL STORIES

Recorded Texas Historic Landmark (RTHL) and Easement Review Request Form

Please Choose: RTHL Review Easement Review

GENERAL PROJECT INFORMATION

Please complete the following.

1. Property Name and Location				
NAME OF HISTORIC PROPERTY LaSalle Hotel				
ADDRESS 120 South Main Street	city Bryan, Texas	COUNTY Brazos	ZIP CODE 77803	
2. Project Name				
NAME OR BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF PROJECT WORK LaSalle Hotel Window Renovation Project				
3. Applicant (owner)				
OWNER LH3 Hospitality LLC; Janak Patel, Registered Agent				
ADDRESS 120 South Main Street	сіту Bryan	state Texas	ZIP CODE 77803	
PHONE 816-309-9678	EMAIL jmpatel99@gmail.com			
4. Architect or Other Project Professional				
Winchester Architects	REPRESENTATIVE Wm. Brian Pollard			
ADDRESS 201A North Main Street	сіту Bryan	state Texas	ZIP CODE 77803	
PHONE 979-823-4039	EMAIL brian@winchester-architects.com			
5. Construction Period				
PROPOSED PROJECT START DATE February 1, 2021				
6. Involvement in Other Programs please note that all other programs require separate submissions.				
ARE FEDERAL FUNDING, PROPERTY, OR PERMITS INVOLVED IN THE PROJECT? NO.				
IF YES, WHAT FEDERAL AGENCY?				
ARE YOU PLANNING TO APPLY FOR STATE AND/OR FEDERAL TAX CREDITS? Yes				
IF YES, HAVE YOU ALREADY SUBMITTED YOUR APPLICATION? NO.				

REQUIRED ATTACHMENTS

For all projects, please attach the following:

- · Written description of the proposed project;
- · Project documentation (plans, specifications, etc.); and
- · Photographs of the property showing areas of proposed work.

SUBMISSION

Please submit the completed application and required attachments to:

Texas Historical Commission Division of Architecture 108 W. 16th St., 2nd Floor Austin, TX 78701

OFFICE USE ONLY
Date Received:
Due Date (30 days):
Date Responded:
RTHL Marker Number:
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Texas Historical Commission Division of Architecture P.O. Box 12276 Austin, TX 78711-2276 512-463-6094 Fax 512-463-6095 architecture@thc.texas.gov



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REQUEST FOR APPROVAL

Winchester Architects Would like to request an approval for Window Replacement Alternatives for the LaSalle Hotel Windows Renovation Project I20 South Main Bryan, Texas 77803



Winchester Architects 201A North Main Street Bryan, Texas 77803 Wm. Brian Pollard Project Manager LaSalle Hotel Windows Renovation Project

December 28, 2020

Texas Historical Commission Christina Reith Division of Architecture P.O. Box 12276 Austin, Texas 78711-2276

Ms. Reith,

Following up on our phone call from December 4, 2020:

- The LaSalle Hotel in Downtown Bryan is a historic hotel built in 1928.
- The LaSalle Hotel is an architectural landmark representative of the City of Bryan's 20 century commercial development. The earliest known records of the original two-story structure are from 1866, as one of the 1st two story structures in Bryan, Texas.
- As early as 1875, the 1st floor was commercial development, and the 2nd floor was the Academy
 of Music, Bryan's first theater center and opera house.
- In 1928, the now 7 floor building became the tallest building in Downtown Bryan.
- The building served as a hotel, nursing home and apartment building until it closed in 1980.
- In 1997, LaSalle Hotel Ltd. bought the hotel. In 1998 LaSalle Hotel Ltd. renovated the building, to make it the landmark hotel it is today.
- As part of the 1998 renovation, the steel framed windows were replaced with wood framed, 8over-8 simulated divided lite double hung windows.
- The LaSalle Hotel was added to the National Register of Historic Buildings on May 26, 2000 due to the hotel's significance to the City of Bryan.

The building has since fallen into disrepair due to technical problems affecting the weather tightness of the exterior envelope. The focus of this project is to weather proof the exterior envelope of the building by replacing the wood framed windows that were placed in the building as part of the 1998 renovations.

HISTORICAL FINDINGS

- ORIGINAL STEEL FRAMED WINDOWS
- MULTIPLE CONFIGURATIONS, INCLUDING:
 - o TWO-OVER-TWO DIVIDED LITE DOUBLE HUNG FRAMES
 - ONE-OVER-ONE DIVIDED LITE DOUBLE HUNG FRAMES
 - 8-OVER-8 DIVIDED LITE DOUBLE HUNG FRAMES

Winchester Architects believes that the original windows in the La Salle were steel framed windows; in varying configurations, including two 1-over-1 configured sashes in a steel frame, and/or two 2-over-2 sashes in a steel frame. This is supported by:

The windows on the north elevation of the building appear to be original. These windows are a 2-over-2 configuration. See historical pic below:



Also see the following (December 2020) pic of the original steel framed windows (north elevation) below:



TECHNICAL CONSIDERATIONS:

- PREMATURE DETERIORATION DUE TO:
 - PREVAILING WINDS/RAIN
 - "FLAT" CAST STONE SILLS
 - WOOD FRAMED WINDOWS VS. STEEL FRAMED WINDOWS

Steel framed windows require very little slope on the window sills. Any water accumulating on, or under the window sill frame is negligible, since steel window sills/frames do not deteriorate, like wood framed window sills/frames might rot in wet weather conditions. The window frames and sills on the existing (1928) steel framed windows appear to be in much better condition than the 1998 wood framed windows, despite being 90+ years old. As you can see in the pics on the next page, the interior paint is peeling, however the steel window frame sill is in good condition. These windows will be scraped, sanded, primed and repainted as part of this window renovation project.

Note the steel windows on the north elevation of the La Salle Hotel in the photos below:

Top of steel framed window:



Bottom of Steel framed window:



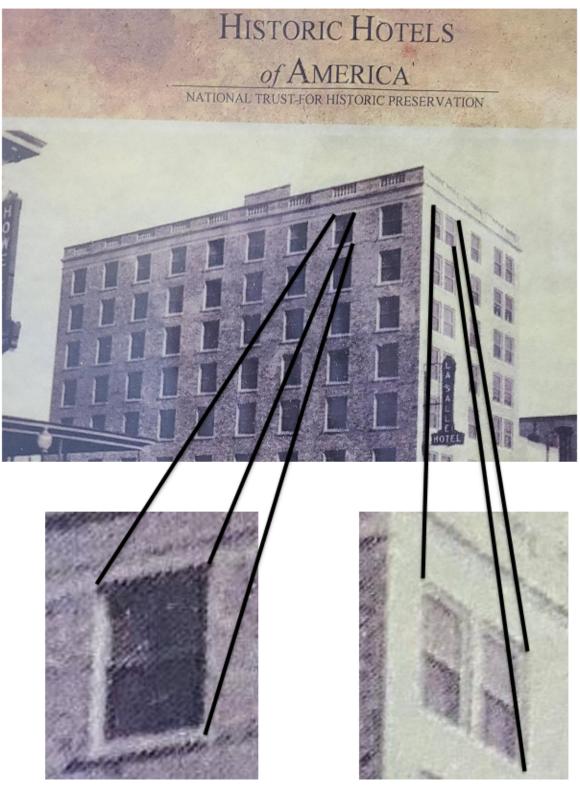




Close-up of steel window frame sill:



Note: Even though the paint finish has been compromised, there is no rust or corrosion on the inner surfaces of the steel framed windows.



Please see the historical pictures of the La Salle that seem to show what appears to be 1-over-1:

South facing window.

East facing window.

Many of the windows, (particularly those that were replaced with wood framed windows in the 1998 Renovation of the La Salle Hotel), are severely deteriorated due to water infiltration and wood rot. The slope on the original cast sill is not steep enough to drain the water off properly. Winds, prevailing from the southeast, blow rain against the south elevation of the building, creating a "wind tunnel" in the courtyard created by the La Salle on the north side of the courtyard and the Howell Building on the south side of the courtyard. Please see the Google Map below:



Note the deterioration of the 1998 wood framed windows on the south elevation in the following photos:









COMPARABLE BUILDING IN HISTORIC DOWNTOWN BRYAN

In addition to the comments and photos presented above, there is a similar building in downtown Bryan which has been renovated and has replaced the steel framed windows. This building did <u>not</u> use wood framed window replacements.

I spoke with Joseph Langston, Vice President of Operations for Fibertown in Bryan, Texas, about the Varisco Building; which is located at 219 North Main in Bryan, Texas. The Varisco Building was also built in the late 1920's; and originally had all steel framed windows. Mr. Langston gave me a tour of the Varisco Building after we discussed several similarities of the Varisco Building and the LaSalle Hotel.

This building was also renovated in the late 90's; replacing most of the steel framed windows. The steel framed windows had been "painted shut" as part of building maintenance efforts. The Varisco Building was first built in the late 20's. As part of the late 90's renovation, all of the windows were replaced, except for the windows facing south. The windows facing south were not replaced, since the south elevation is built up against the neighboring building. Access to these windows for replacement would be cost prohibitive.



Refer to the pics below of the steel framed windows on the south side of the Varisco building:

Manufacturer's metal labels on the steel framed window sill in the Varisco Building.



One of the windows on the south side of the Varisco Building. This window is still operational. (Note the similar appearance and condition of the La Salle Hotel steel framed windows.)



Note the similar "almost flat" sill, and how it is extended over the cast stone sill. The "almost flat" cast stone sill and steel frame does not deteriorate due to water accumulation; whereas a wood framed window sill would be subject to rot) The windows in the Varisco building were replaced with a paintable composite material as part of a late 90's renovation. See Pics below:



Composite framed window, replacing steel framed windows in the Varisco Building. (Note that this composite material is not subject to wood rot, due to the "almost flat" cast stone sill.)



Sill/frame conditions of a typical paintable composite framed window in the Varisco Building (these replaced the steel framed windows in the late 90's.)

In addition to the above observations, I am attaching a letter from the Branch Manager of the Carnegie History Center in Downtown Bryan to the General Manager of the LaSalle Hotel discussing the historical window configurations for the hotel:



Carnegie History Center

Dear Ms. Hessong,

Thank you for contacting the Carnegie History Center.

As an expert in historical document preservation as well as historical building preservation, it is my recommendation that the LaSalle Hotel use one over one windows in its restoration. This would maintain the historical aesthetic as it was when it was built in 1928.

In addition to maintaining aesthetics, this would preserve its original appearance. Exterior alterations can sometimes lead to a removal from historical designations. Since the LaSalle Hotel is in the National Register of Places, I would advise against the use of another design.

I would like to extend my deepest gratitude for your passion in preserving Downtown Bryan! When I return to office, I will forward one of our original photos of the LaSalle Hotel. If you have any further questions, please don't hesitate to ask.

Best Regards,

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Rachael C Altman, M. Ed. Branch Manager Carnegie History Center 111 South Main Street Bryan, Texas 77803 979-209-5631 www.bcslibrary.org/carnegie

> Carnegie History Center 111 South Main Street Bryan, Texas 77803

CONCLUSIONS:

- VARIOUS DIVIDED LITE CONFIGURATIONS (ONE-OVER-ONE, TWO-OVER-TWO, 8-OVER-8, ETC.) ARE HISTORICALLY PREVALENT IN SIMLAR BUILDINGS IN DOWNTOWN BRYAN
- WOOD FRAMED WINDOWS ARE NOT ECONOMICALLY NOR TECHNICALLY SUITABLE REPLACEMENTS
- VARIOUS WINDOW FRAME MATERIALS, (INCLUDING STEEL, VINYL, VINYL COMPOSITE AND ALUMINUM CLAD) HAVE PROVEN TO BE QUALITY ALTERNATIVES TO WOOD FRAMED WINDOWS; DUE TO REDUCED MAINTENANCE AND SUPERIOR WEATHER RESISTANCE.
- CURRENT BUILDING CODE REQUIREMENTS LIMIT THE USE OF A SINGLE HUNG OR DOUBLE HUNG CONFIGURATION. (BUILDING CODES REQUIRE THAT ANY OPERABLE WINDOW IN THE HOTEL BE RESTRICTED TO OPENING 4" OR LESS).

PROPOSED SOLUTIONS:

- REPLACE THE 115 WOOD FRAMED WINDOWS WITH A <u>SINGLE HUNG</u> VINYL FRAMED WINDOW, SIMILAR TO ONE OF THE CONFIGURATIONS IN A HISTORICAL CONTEXT. (IN THIS SOLUTION, THE OPERABILITY WOULD BE LIMITED TO A 4" MAXIMUM OPENING, BY CODE.)
- REPLACE THE 115 WOOD FRAMED WINDOWS WITH A <u>SINGLE HUNG</u> ALUMINUM CLAD FRAMED WINDOW, SIMILAR TO ONE OF THE CONFIGURATIONS IN A HISTORICAL CONTEXT. (IN THIS SOLUTION, THE OPERABILITY WOULD BE LIMITED TO A 4" MAXIMUM OPENING, BY CODE.)
- REPLACE THE 115 WOOD FRAMED WINDOWS WITH A VINYL FRAMED FIXED WINDOW, SIMILAR TO ONE OF THE CONFIGURATIONS IN A HISTORICAL CONTEXT.
- REPLACE THE 115 WOOD FRAMED WINDOWS WITH AN ALUMINUM CLAD FRAMED <u>FIXED</u>
 WINDOW, SIMILAR TO ONE OF THE CONFIGURATIONS IN A HISTORICAL CONTEXT.

We would appreciate your assistance in selecting the right window product for the LaSalle Hotel Window Renovation Project... a product that would be in character for the appropriate historical context, and aesthetic for this building and, to select the right materials/products to properly maintain a weather-tight building envelope.

In short, please take these observations from Winchester Architects into consideration while assisting our client, the LaSalle Hotel, to select the appropriate windows to properly weatherproof the building while, at the same time, maintaining the appropriate historical context.

Regards,

Wm. Brian Pollard Project Manager, LaSalle Hotel Windows Renovations Project Winchester Architects

ATTACHMENTS:

- <u>1-RTHLEasementApplicationCOMPLETED.pdf</u>
- <u>2-PinnacleAluminumCladDirectSetSPECS.pdf</u>
- <u>3-PinnicaleAluminumCladDirectSetDETAILS.pdf</u>
- 4-WindsorVinylDirectsetSPECS.pdf
- <u>5-WindsorVinylDirectSetDETAILS.pdf</u>
- <u>6-Pinnacle-WindsorPRICEQUOTES.pdf</u>
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McFeron, Marc W Wednesday, October 14, 2020 10:25 AM

Cox, Gregory; Haynes, Randall Inspection of La Salle 10-6-2020

Mr. Patel,

Greg Cox, Randy Haynes, and I inspected the La Salle Hotel 120 S Main on 10-6-2020. We found multiple items that are a concern and this list was developed to address them with you. Many of these items will need immediate attention and some will be able to be set on a schedule. Since the inspection through communication over the phone the day of the inspection, you have moved the Knox Box and removed several windows that were in severe condition. Any red highlighted items need immediate attention and may prevent occupancy. Any yellow highlighted items will need to be addressed within 2 weeks (10-28-2020) and other items will need further evaluation. In rooms that have had windows removed and glass or Plexiglas added, we need an evaluation of fall protection before occupants are allowed in these rooms. Any work done on the property will need appropriate permits/approvals before work is performed.

Exterior:

- 1. **Determined to the main** door on the exterior of the hotel.
- 2. West exit door- is rusting with sharp edges in areas where the metal is completely rusted through. This door is a required exit door and needs replacement.
- 3. mounting brackets on west end are loose and need to be remounted to support the gas line.
- 4. East entrance door- is not aligned correctly and needs to be repaired to prevent water from entering.
- 5. Roof access hatch- is broken and need to be repaired or replaced.
- 6. Doors on the roof structure- need to be replaced.
- 7. **Example** appear to be in various stages of decay including the first floor store front windows and need to be repaired or replaced. Some of them have panes that need to be removed and are a safety hazard.

Ard. A licensed design professional (architect)

will be required to evaluate the condition and replacement of the windows. You will need prior approval before replacement from the building department and the Bryan Historic Landmark Commission.

- 8. Steel lintels- above the windows are rusting and need to be sanded, primed, and painted.
- 9. Water tank- on the roof is rusted through in several areas and the wood supports under the tank are rotting. This needs to be evaluated for stability, repaired, or removed. If the tank is kept it will need a licensed design professional (engineer) to sign off on the repair with approval of the building department and possibly from the Bryan Historic Landmark Commission.

Interior:

- 1. All the emergency lighting- in the hallways are having trouble and should be replaced with more reliable LED packs.
- 2. Stairway lighting- has some problems with the fluorescent lighting such as missing covers, partially working bulbs, non-working emergency lighting. Recommend installing more reliable lighting.
- 3. **Iterative states of the state of the sta**

- 4. Fire alarm panel- missing installation and inspection tags. Need to reprogram the panel so that room smokes do not set off a general alarm. I have spoken with the alarm company and will follow up with them on this item.
- 5. Wood is rotting at many of the windows in the rooms due to the condition of the exterior windows. If the windows don't get repaired this damage will continue to occur and possibly cause greater structural damage.
- 6. Storage in boiler room- is very disorganized with limited access. A walkway should be maintained in this room.
- 7. A second exit is required from this space. This door needs to have panic hardware attached.

On 10-12-2020 | contacted Mr. Batson about the exit in 5 Knocks and the storage in the corridor on the first floor. He said he would get these items corrected. I will follow up on these items with Mr. Batson on 10-16-2020.

Please contact us if you have any questions.

Thank you,

Marc McFeron Fire Marshal Bryan Fire Department 414 Lawrence St Bryan, TX 77801 979-209-5960

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Exterior	No Knox Box at the entry	COMPLETED 10/7		
	Replace West Exit Door	Awaiting Home Depot to come measure, order, install		
	Re-Mount Brackets on Gas Line	Re-Mount Brackets on Gas Line Locating bucket truck, or long ladder		
	Re-Align East Entrance Door	fix pending completion red and yellow items		
	Repair Roof Acess Hatch	Awaiting "Hydrolic Works" foreman to come measure and quote		
	Replace Doors on Roof Structure	Awaiting Home Depot to come measure, order, install		
	Repair or Replace All Windows That are a Safety Hazard removed windows that can be hazardous, Randy is working directly with Architect on re			
	Sand, Prime, and Paint All Steel Lintels on Windows	pending completion of red and yellow items		
	Repair or Remove Water Tank/Check for Stability	pending completion red and yellow items		
Interior	Replace Emergency Lighting with LED Packs	Ordered LED Packs, arrives 10/17		
	Repair or Replace Stairway Lighting	STAIRWAY LIGHTS COMPLETED, have question for FM regarding covers		
	Remove Flammable Liquids/Gas Bottles in Exit Corridor	COMPLETED 10/14		
	Missing Tags on Fire Alarm Panel/Re-Program Panel	Missing Tags Replaced/Call to Impact About Reprogramming		
		Quote being requested by Carpenter		
		COMPLETED 10/14		
Panic Hardware to be Installed on 5 Knocks Exit Door COMPLETED 10/13		COMPLETED 10/13		

	Items	Status 10/29/20	
Exterior	No Knox Box at the entry	COMPLETED 10/7	
	Replace West Exit Door	PERMIT SUBMITTED and awaiting PRO-DESIGN to Install	
	Re-Mount Brackets on Gas Line	A+ TREE SERVICE HAS COMMITTED TO 11/2 - Cited weather wind/safety concerns for not coming this week	
	Re-Align East Entrance Door	FIXED BY PRO-DESIGN ON 10/27	
	Repair Roof Acess Hatch	PERMIT SUBMITTED and awaiting PRO-DESIGN to Install	
	Replace Doors on Roof Structure	PERMIT SUBMITTED and awaiting PRO-DESIGN to Install	
	MEASURED AT 10AM 10/27 - AWAITING REPORT FROM ARCHITECT AND KING WINDOW, NEXT Repair or Replace All Windows That are a Safety Hazard BE TO PRODUCE A SINGLE MOCK UP		
	Sand, Prime, and Paint All Steel Lintels on Windows	pending completion of red and yellow items	
	Repair or Remove Water Tank/Check for Stability	pending completion red and yellow items	
Interior	Replace Emergency Lighting with LED Packs	ROOM HALLWAYS COMPLETED 10/20 + 10/21, ELECTRICIAN COMING 10/22 FOR LOBBY INSTALL	
	Repair or Replace Stairway Lighting	ORDER PLACED 10/29, Greg/Marc approved on 10/26 meeting, next step is install	
	Remove Flammable Liquids/Gas Bottles in Exit Corridor	COMPLETED 10/14	
_	Missing Tags on Fire Alarm Panel/Re-Program Panel	COMPLETED - IMPACT REPROGRAMMED PANEL 10/20	
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	Organize Storage in Boiler Room/Maintenance Room	COMPLETED 10/14	
	Panic Hardware to be Installed on 5 Knocks Exit Door	COMPLETED 10/13	

CITY OF BRYAN APPLICATION FOR BUILDING PERMIT

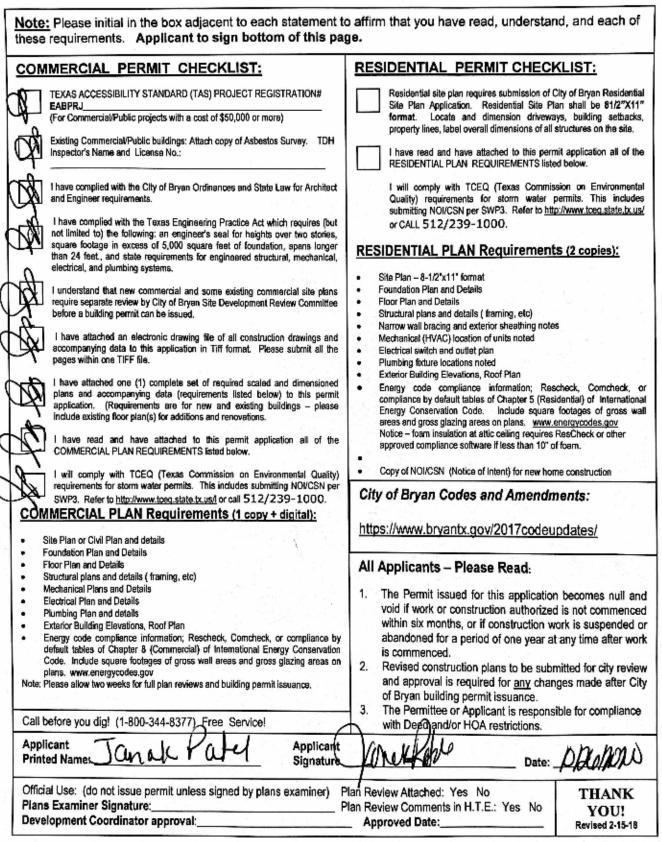
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From: Sent: To: Subject: Attachments: Cox, Gregory Wednesday, November 11, 2020 3:20 PM 'Janak Patel'; McFeron, Marc W RE: Inspection of La Salle 10-6-2020 Inspection of La Salle 10-6-2020

Thank you again Mr. Patel for getting these items done, in process, and sending the update.

I have a few questions:

- 1. Mark mentioned before in attached email that we needed evaluation for fall protection in the rooms that have had window sashes removed (see attached email). I believe it was communicated that these rooms are remaining unoccupied? If so can you verify that they are remaining unoccupied? Do you have a list of affected rooms you can share? I count about 29 windows where sashes have been removed. If they need to be occupied an Architect would need to evaluate these interior windows and come up with a plan for guard rail protection. The window sills are below the 42" guardrail height, and with the interior glass not being a certified window unit the concern for safety is high.
- 2. I spoke with Brian at Winchester Architects who confirmed they are working on the proposal for window replacement. I failed to get a time line on when he would have that ready. Do you have a timeline of when they will have the proposal in for state and city, and then a timeline / estimate for window replacement?
- 3. On stair way light fixture replacement, city ordinance does require an electrical permit and licensed electrical contractor for this we spoke about this at last site visit. The guys there at the time were not licensed to replace the stair lighting. Just friendly reminder to have qualified electrical contractor obtain the electrical permit with licensed electricians doing the change outs.

Please let me know if any questions.

Greg

From: Janak Patel **Sent:** Tuesday, November 10, 2020 2:58 PM To: Cox, Gregory <gcox@bryantx.gov>; McFeron, Marc W <mmcferon@bryantx.gov> Subject: Re: Inspection of La Salle 10-6-2020

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Greg,

Thanks for your email.

- As of this past Saturday, work has already began on repairing rotten wood on bottom floor window frames.

- Winchester architects has made several site visits in the last 2 weeks and is preparing a report of their findings for upstairs windows to submit to State of Texas Historical Commission.

I have attached an updated Inspection Punch List. I will continue to update you on our weekly progress.

Thanks,

On Tue, Nov 10, 2020 at 11:36 AM Cox, Gregory < <u>gcox@bryantx.gov</u> > wrote:
Good morning Mr. Patel,
Any updates on the lower window repairs, and upper window repair/replacements?
Thanks,
Greg
From: Janak Patel < Sent: Thursday, October 29, 2020 1:20 PM To: Cox, Gregory < <u>gcox@bryantx.gov</u> >; McFeron, Marc W < <u>mmcferon@bryantx.gov</u> >; Haynes, Randall < <u>rhaynes@bryantx.gov</u> > Cc: Lisa Gordon; sam.barqueta1 <>; LaSalle Hotel Subject: Re: Inspection of La Salle 10-6-2020
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Greg/Marc/Randy,

Please see attached updated Inspection Punch List as of 10/29.

Greg - Also wanted to confirm you received our permit form on 10/26.

Please let me know if you have any questions. Thanks.

On Mon, Oct 26, 2020 at 1:36 PM Janak Patel

Gentlemen,

Thanks for taking the time today to answer our questions.

I have attached a permit request. Please let me know if you have any questions. Thanks.

> wrote:

On Mon, Oct 26, 2020 at 8:54 AM Cox, Gregory <<u>gcox@bryantx.gov</u>> wrote:

Thanks, we will see you today at 11am

From: Janak Patel Sent: Thursday, October 22, 2020 11:35 AM To: McFeron, Marc W <<u>mmcferon@bryantx.gov</u>> Cc: Cox, Gregory <<u>gcox@bryantx.gov</u>>; Haynes, Randall <<u>rhaynes@bryantx.gov</u>>; Lisa Gordon

Subject: Re: Inspection of La Salle 10-6-2020

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Greg/Randy,

Yes thank you. 11am will work on Monday.

I just got off the phone with our Architect and we would like to apply for a permit to replace the window wood trim that has gone bad on some of the bottom floor windows as early as this weekend if permissible. This work will be performed by our Architect directly.

No windows will be replaced or moved nor will anything be modified aesthetically, including paint colors. This is mostly to replace bad wood with good wood.

If you would still like me to apply for a permit(or request historical approval) please direct me to the appropriate application and/or contact and I will be happy to do so. Thank you.

On Thu, Oct 22, 2020 at 10:26 AM McFeron, Marc W <<u>mmcferon@bryantx.gov</u>> wrote:

It will work for me Greg

Thank you,

Marc

From: Cox, Gregory <<u>gcox@bryantx.gov</u>> Sent: Thursday, October 22, 2020 10:23 AM To: 'Janak Pate!' • More and McFeron, Marc W <<u>mmcferon@bryantx.gov</u>> Cc: Haynes, Randall <<u>rhaynes@bryantx.gov</u>>; Lisa Gordon < Subject: RE: Inspection of La Salle 10-6-2020

Good morning Mr. Patel, Would Monday October 26 at 11am at Hotel work for everyone? In addition to building permits for door and window replacements, window replacement and any other exterior changes would need HLC review and approval. Thanks, Greg From: Janak Patel Sent: Thursday, October 22, 2020 8:58 AM To: McFeron, Marc W < mmcferon@bryantx.gov> Cc: Cox, Gregory <gcox@bryantx.gov>; Haynes, Randall <rhaynes@bryantx.gov>; Lisa Gordon Subject: Re: Inspection of La Salle 10-6-2020 Notice: EXTERNAL EMAIL! Phishing = #1 threat to Cyber Security. Is this a phishing email? - Look again! Hi Greg, If possible, my manager, Sylvia Morrison and I would like to schedule a phone call or meeting with you at the hotel. We would like to go over some possible solutions to overcome some of the hurdles we and vendors are facing in regards to: - the stairwell emergency lighting - bottom floor window trim replacement (and doors) - vendor would like to schedule the replacement of a room window to get better idea of project scope and narrow down appropriate options

	- use of bucket truck to tighten mounting brackets on gas line
	Mainly, we would like your input so that we are within the bounds of the permit requirements before we start.
	Thanks,
	On Tue, Oct 20, 2020 at 10:16 AM McFeron, Marc W < <u>mmcferon@bryantx.gov</u> > wrote:
	Thank you Jay
	Marc
	On Oct 20, 2020, at 9:56 AM, Janak Patel <
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	Hi Marc,
	I am awaiting a couple of schedule/quote commitments to come thru soon from vendors. After I receive them, I should have an update within a day or two. Thanks.
	On Wed, Oct 14, 2020 at 1:16 PM McFeron, Marc W < <u>mmcferon@bryantx.gov</u> > wrote: Thank you Janak

From: Janak Patel <

Sent: Wednesday, October 14, 2020 11:19 AM To: McFeron, Marc W <<u>mmcferon@bryantx.gov</u>> Cc: Cox, Gregory <<u>gcox@bryantx.gov</u>>; Haynes, Randall <<u>rhaynes@bryantx.gov</u>> Subject: Re: Inspection of La Salle 10-6-2020

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Marc/Greg/Randy,

I have received your email. I will send an update later today of items that have been completed already as well as pending. Thank you.

Janak

On Wed, Oct 14, 2020 at 10:25 AM McFeron, Marc W <<u>mmcferon@bryantx.gov</u>> wrote:

Mr. Patel,

Greg Cox, Randy Haynes, and I inspected the La Salle Hotel 120 S Main on 10-6-2020. We found multiple items that are a concern and this list was developed to address them with you. Many of these items will need immediate attention and some will be able to be set on a schedule. Since the inspection through communication over the phone the day of the inspection, you have moved the Knox Box and removed several windows that were in severe condition. Any red highlighted items need immediate attention and may prevent occupancy. Any yellow highlighted items will need to be addressed within 2 weeks (10-28-2020) and other items will need further evaluation. In rooms that have had windows removed and glass or Plexiglas added, we need an evaluation of fall protection before occupants are allowed in these rooms. Any work done on the property will need appropriate permits/approvals before work is performed.

Exterior:

- 1. **Set State Provide *
- 2. West exit door- is rusting with sharp edges in areas where the metal is completely rusted through. This door is a required exit door and needs replacement.
- 3. **Example** mounting brackets on west end are loose and need to be remounted to support the gas line.
- 4. East entrance door- is not aligned correctly and needs to be repaired to prevent water from entering.
- 5. Roof access hatch- is broken and need to be repaired or replaced.
- 6. Doors on the roof structure- need to be replaced.
- 7. **Determine** appear to be in various stages of decay including the first floor store front windows and need to be repaired or replaced. Some of them have panes that need to be removed and are a safety hazard.

(architect) will be required to evaluate the condition and replacement of the windows. You will need prior approval before replacement from the building department and the Bryan Historic Landmark Commission.

- 8. Steel lintels- above the windows are rusting and need to be sanded, primed, and painted.
- 9. Water tank- on the roof is rusted through in several areas and the wood supports under the tank are rotting. This needs to be evaluated for stability, repaired, or removed. If the tank is kept it will need a licensed design professional (engineer) to sign off on the repair with approval of the building department and possibly from the Bryan Historic Landmark Commission.

Interior:

- 1. All the emergency lighting- in the hallways are having trouble and should be replaced with more reliable LED packs.
- 2. Stairway lighting- has some problems with the fluorescent lighting such as missing covers, partially working bulbs, non-working emergency lighting. Recommend installing more reliable lighting.
- 3. **Subscription** There is storage located in multiple areas of the stairway especially on the first floor where flammable liquids and gas bottles are stored in the exit corridor to both protected stairways.
- 4. Fire alarm panel- missing installation and inspection tags. Need to reprogram the panel so that room smokes do not set off a general alarm. I have spoken with the alarm company and will follow up with them on this item.
- 5. Wood is rotting at many of the windows in the rooms due to the condition of the exterior windows. If the windows don't get repaired this damage will continue to occur and possibly cause greater structural damage.

6. Storage in boiler room- is very disorganized with limited access. A walkway should be maintained in this room.

7. **Exercise the second bar**- This door is locked and a second exit is required from this space. This door needs to have panic hardware attached.

On 10-12-2020 I contacted Mr. Batson about the exit in 5 Knocks and the storage in the corridor on the first floor. He said he would get these items corrected. I will follow up on these items with Mr. Batson on 10-16-2020.

Please contact us if you have any questions.

Thank you,

Marc McFeron

Fire Marshal

Bryan Fire Department

414 Lawrence St

Bryan, TX 77801

979-209-5960

Janak Patel

816-309-9678

From: Sent: To: Cc: Subject: Cox, Gregory Wednesday, November 18, 2020 11:13 AM 'Nathan Winchester' Haynes, Randall LaSalle - 209

Nathan,

I have a few questions:

LaSalle:

Have you evaluated all the windows at Lasalle yet? Specifically for occupancy of all rooms? I discussed with owner yesterday about placing painted plywood temporarily over openings in the rooms (48-50" off floor) with windows missing sashes and advised we would need you to detail how that would be installed (fastened securely)

Any proposed timeline on window replacement yet, cost estimate?

209 N Main:

We will have our contractor remove the wood canopy over city sidewalk soon, any updates on that project?

Thanks,

Gregory S. Cox, CBO Chief Building Official Development Services, City of Bryan www.bryantx.gov gcox@bryantx.gov 979-209-5031 office 979-209-5035 fax

	ltems	Status 10/29/20		
Exterior	No Knox Box at the entry	COMPLETED 10/7		
	Replace West Exit Door	COMPLETED 11/9		
	Re-Mount Brackets on Gas Line	COMPLETED 11/2		
	Re-Align East Entrance Door	COMPLETED - FIXED BY PRO-DESIGN ON 10/27 COMPLETED 11/9 (hydrolics adding new chain 11/10) COMPLETED 11/9		
	Repair Roof Acess Hatch			
	Replace Doors on Roof Structure			
Repair or Replace All Windows That are a Safety Hazard Nathan was finally able to Commission on 11/19 re Sand, Prime, and Paint All Steel Lintels on Windows pending completion red able to Commission on 11/19		Nathan was finally able touch base with Randy this week. Began process with Christina Rieth of Texas Historical Commission on 11/19 regarding application. She informed me that it is about a 60 day review process.		
		pending completion red and yellow items		
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Interior	Replace Emergency Lighting with LED Packs	ROOM HALLWAYS COMPLETED 10/20 + 10/21, ELECTRICIAN COMING 10/22 FOR LOBBY INSTALL		
	Repair or Replace Stairway Lighting	51 Frog Emergency lights are here, LED strip lights are backordered and will not ship until end of this month. Wi applying for electrical permit after recieved.		
	Remove Flammable Liquids/Gas Bottles in Exit Corridor	COMPLETED 10/14		
Missing Tags on Fire Alarm Panel/Re-Program Panel		COMPLETED - IMPACT REPROGRAMMED PANEL 10/20		
Repair Rotted Wood on the Windows		BEGAN ON 9/7 - WORK IS PROGRESSING EVERY WEEKEND PER MASTER CARPENTER'S SCHEDULE		
Organize Storage in Boiler Room/Maintenance Room COMPLETED 10/14		COMPLETED 10/14		
	Panic Hardware to be Installed on 5 Knocks Exit Door	COMPLETED 10/13		

From:	Cox, Gregory
Sent:	Friday, November 20, 2020 12:23 PM
То:	'Janak Patel'
Cc:	Haynes, Randall; McFeron, Marc W
Subject:	RE: LaSalle Inspection Punch List as of 11/19/20

Good morning Mr. Patel.

Thank you for keeping us updated. Looking over everything this week, here are my notes and what city still needs to see:

- 1. City will need a timeline, cost estimate, and plan from architect on window replacement. I think Nathan has evaluated all the guest room windows and will be submitting that report to the city soon. We need to make sure architect gives ok for use of any rooms where sashes have not been removed. City is concerned on windows, safety issues with low window sills, potential of other windows falling out.
- 2. We discussed a proposal needed from architect on a temporary guard rail placed in guest room windows where sashes have been removed for fall protection, and approval of that before reuse of affected guest rooms.
- 3. Permit for door replacement and first floor wood store front window repair was issued yesterday.
- 4. Looking at other past permits this week, the bar in the basement 2018 permit is expired without a building final and without a Certificate of Occupancy being issued. This was permit 18-2603 and Jimmy Wright was listed as contractor. We need to come back again in the next couple of weeks to inspect the bar closer to see if any other permits are needed (plumbing/electrical) or if we just need Mr. Wright to renew the permit so city can issue the Certificate of Occupancy.
- 5. Steel lintels above all windows need sanding, priming, and painting. If these are allowed to continue to rust, they will expand and cause cracking in brick mortar, some may have already reached this point.
- 6. Old water tank on roof does not appear to be anchored and wood deck it is sitting on is deteriorating. Tank has rust holes. I know you still have this on your list but need to know what your plan is for removal or have engineer look at it to make sure it is safe.
- 7. Electrician needs to pull permit for light fixture replacement in stairways and check emergency lights already replaced. Understand you are waiting on fixture products to come in.

You will be receiving notices in the mail soon about a January 25, 2021 Building and Standards Commission meeting with the purpose of making sure the structure is safe for occupancy, the public is protected, and establishing a timeline for repairs to be completed. The city will need all cost estimates, plans, and timeline to complete all remaining work. The cost estimates, plans and timeline should be submitted as soon as possible but not later than January 4, 2021.

Please call or email if any questions.

Sincerely,

Greg Cox 979-209-5031

From: Janak Patel

Sent: Thursday, November 19, 2020 2:59 PM

To: Cox, Gregory <gcox@bryantx.gov>; McFeron, Marc W <mmcferon@bryantx.gov>; Haynes, Randall

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Greg/Marc/Randy

Please see attached inspection punch list status updates. Please let me know if you have any questions. Thanks.

--Janak Patel 816-309-9678

From: Sent: To: Subject: Janak Patel Tuesday, November 24, 2020 4:07 PM Cox, Gregory; LaSalle Hotel; Haynes, Randall; McFeron, Marc W; sam.barqueta1 Fwd: FW: LaSalle Inspection Punch List as of 11/19/20

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Greg,

Please see the Architect's comments below. Thanks.

-----Forwarded message -----From: **Brian Pollard** < Date: Tue, Nov 24, 2020 at 3:04 PM Subject: FW: LaSalle Inspection Punch List as of 11/19/20 To: Janak Patel < Cc: Nathan Winchester <

Hi Jay- My comments are below highlighted in RED.

------ Forwarded message ------From: **Cox, Gregory** <<u>gcox@bryantx.gov</u>> Date: Fri, Nov 20, 2020 at 12:22 PM Subject: RE: LaSalle Inspection Punch List as of 11/19/20 To: Janak Patel <<u>Gov</u> Cc: Haynes, Randall <<u>rhaynes@bryantx.gov</u>>, McFeron, Marc W <<u>mmcferon@bryantx.gov</u>>

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make sure architect gives ok for use of any rooms where sashes have not been removed. City is concerned on windows, safety issues with low window sills, potential of other windows falling out.

I will be discussing material options with Christina Reith (hopefully tomorrow) Timeline, cost estimate, and plan is dependent on that discussion. I will touch base with you again tomorrow after my discussion with Ms. Reith.

2. We discussed a proposal needed from architect on a temporary guard rail placed in guest room windows where sashes have been removed for fall protection, and approval of that before reuse of affected guest rooms.

I will work on a design with drawings to show how to put the guardrails in place. (The focus of the design is to minimize damage/repair when removing the guardrail, upon replacing the window during the window project.)

3. Permit for door replacement and first floor wood store front window repair was issued yesterday.

I saw the permit posted on the front of the building the other day!

4. Looking at other past permits this week, the bar in the basement 2018 permit is expired without a building final and without a Certificate of Occupancy being issued. This was permit 18-2603 and Jimmy Wright was listed as contractor. We need to come back again in the next couple of weeks to inspect the bar closer to see if any other permits are needed (plumbing/electrical) or if we just need Mr. Wright to renew the permit so city can issue the Certificate of Occupancy.

Since Dustin Batson had the contract with Jimmy Wright, we need to get with Dustin to see about contacting Mr. Wright, and coordinate with them getting the permit renewed. When the permit is renewed we can then get any inspections required to get the Certificate of Occupancy.

5. Steel lintels above all windows need sanding, priming, and painting. If these are allowed to continue to rust, they will expand and cause cracking in brick mortar, some may have already reached this point.

We will add this to the scope of the window replacement project. It would be easiest to get to the lintels after removing the window and frame as part of the window replacement project.

6. Old water tank on roof does not appear to be anchored and wood deck it is sitting on is deteriorating. Tank has rust holes. I know you still have this on your list but need to know what your plan is for removal or have engineer look at it to make sure it is safe.

I will get with a structural engineer to give us a consult on this topic. It would seem that the city would actually prefer to leave it in place, (secure it safely of course), as it adds to the historical aspect of the hotel.

7. Electrician needs to pull permit for light fixture replacement in stairways and check emergency lights already replaced. Understand you are waiting on fixture products to come in.

Make sure there is a permit pulled and displayed appropriately. Ask the electrician to display the permit in the front window near the existing door/window permit in comment "3." above.

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complete all remaining work. The cost estimates, plans and timeline should be submitted as soon as possible but not later than January 4, 2021.

Please be sure and include me and Cindy Hessong in these communications. That way I can be more expedient and provide the appropriate documentation.

Please call or email if any questions.

Sincerely,

Greg Cox

979-209-5031

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Janak Patel

816-309-9678



From:Cox, GregorySent:Thursday, December 3, 2020 1:13 PMTo:'Nathan Winchester'Subject:LaSalleAttachments:Fwd: FW: LaSalle Inspection Punch List as of 11/19/20

Good morning Nathan,

Just checking on things with the hotel. Sorry we been missing each other.

As you may know we are scheduling 120 S. Main for January Building and Standards Commission hearing. The goal is to get estimates, plans, and timeline from owner to get all the windows repaired/replaced, and any other outstanding issues resolved.

I think you have surveyed all the guest room windows? We would like a report from you if that is the case. Hopefully with language that current guest rooms with the outer windows in place now are safe for occupancy?

Thanks,

Gregory S. Cox, CBO Chief Building Official Development Services, City of Bryan <u>www.bryantx.gov</u> <u>gcox@bryantx.gov</u> 979-209-5031 office 979-209-5035 fax

From: Sent: To: Subject: Attachments: Cox, Gregory Saturday, December 12, 2020 10:15 AM 'Brian Pollard'; Nathan Winchester LaSalle windows 2015 IBC 2015 IBC.docx

Brian, here are my notes on windows and applicable code sections that I mentioned this past week.

We will be getting the two ASTM references this next week.

Greg

The concern is the interior site built plastic or glass panel. Does it meet code? I have attached the code sections I have found regarding windows. I spoke with a code consultant and he advised that ASTM F2090 was written for 10 story buildings and we should get a copy of that.

I don't see this standard referenced in code. I do see ASTM E 330 in 1709.5.2.

The attached article below references F2090.

Replacement windows if operable cannot open more than slightly less than 4" to prevent passage of a 4" sphere in a hotel occupancy.

https://www.astm.org/SNEWS/ND_2009/wilhelm_nd09.html

ASTM F 2090 looks to be \$58.00 on https://www.astm.org/Standards/F2090.htm.

ASTM E330 looks to be \$52 on https://www.astm.org/Standards/E330.htm.

<u>2015 IBC</u>

101.3 scope

116 unsafe structures

1403.2 Weather protection – exterior walls shall provide the building with a weather resistant exterior wall enclosure

1405.13 Exterior windows and doors – 1709.5 Windows and doors

1015 Guards

1015.4 opening limitations fall protection

1015.8 Window openings -

1709.5.2 Structural requirements for windows and doors - ASTM E 330 or ANSI/DASMA 108

Section 2403 - glazing requirements - 2403.2 glass supports -- requires licensed design professional

2015 IEBC

406 Fall protection

https://www.astm.org/SNEWS/ND_2009/wilhelm_nd09.html

Window Fall Prevention Devices

Three types of window fall prevention devices described in the F15.38 standards are:

- Fall prevention window guard Device designed to fit into or onto a window to prevent a child from passing or falling through an open window. Typically mounted on the interior frame of the window and includes side frames fastened to the sides of a window frame and a plurality of spaced-apart, transverse, tubular, width-adjustable crosspiece elements to form a grid pattern between the side supports to prevent passage of a child.
- Window fall prevention screen Screen device designed to fit into or onto a window to prevent a child from passing or falling through an open window. Typically mounted on the exterior surface/frame of a sliding style window and on the interior of a cranking style window and includes screening mesh or material and attachment mechanism(s) of sufficient strength to meet the performance requirements of this standard while preventing passage of a child.
- Window opening control device Device that limits a window sash to be opened with normal
 operation of the sash such as to prohibit the free passage of a 4-in. (102-mm) diameter rigid
 sphere at the lowest opening portion of the window opening, with a release mechanism that shall
 allow the sash to be opened to a large opening area such as that required for emergency escape
 and rescue, and that automatically resets when a window is fully closed.

From:	Hancock, Megan
Sent:	Tuesday, December 29, 2020 11:04 AM
То:	Janak Patel
Cc:	Cox, Gregory
Subject:	RE: COB Notice to LaSalle dated 12/11/20
Attachments:	LETTER FIRST 11-19-2020.pdf; LETTER MTG 12-17-2020.pdf; SURVEY CBO
	11-18-2020.pdf; SURVEY FMO 11-18-2020.pdf; What to Submit Prior & Contractor
	Checklist Combined.pdf

Good morning Mr. Patel,

I only have two letters on file that I have sent: one dated 11-19-2020 and the other dated 12-17-2020. Both were sent to the address on Mueller. I have attached both here.

I have copied our Chief Building Official in case he may have sent you another type of letter on or near that date.

Also, I have attached the surveys and checklist that were included with the letters.

Thank you,

Megan Hancock, CAP Development Services Technician City of Bryan 979.209.5030

From: Janak Patel <jmpatel99@gmail.com> Sent: Tuesday, December 29, 2020 10:55 AM To: Hancock, Megan <mhancock@bryantx.gov> Subject: COB Notice to LaSalle dated 12/11/20

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Hi Megan,

Thanks for speaking to me earlier today regarding The LaSalle Hotel. I just received the latest letter dated 12/11/20. I wanted to ask if by chance you also had a digital version of this letter that you would be willing to share with me? If not, no worries.

Also, I noticed one of the addresses on the letter was outdated and I wanted to request if it could please be removed:

4600 Mueller Blvd. #3009 Austin, TX 78723 Thanks,

--Janak Patel 816-309-9678