

# THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO

# REPORT TO THE PLANNING COMMISSION

DATE ISSUED:

May 16, 2013

REPORT NO. PC-13-061

ATTENTION:

Planning Commission, Agenda of May 23, 2013

SUBJECT:

LIVING LAB-OCEAN DISCOVERY; PROJECT NO. 287114;

PROCESS 5

OWNER/

APPLICANT:

Ocean Discovery Institute, a California Nonprofit Educational Foundation

# SUMMARY

<u>Issue</u>: Should the Planning Commission recommend approval to the City Council of an application for the demolition of two single family dwelling units and construction of an 11,737 square foot educational facility with a 380 square foot residential studio on a 0.64 acre site located at 4255 Thorn Street in the City Heights Community of the Mid-City Communities Plan area?

## **Staff Recommendation:**

- Recommend the City Council Approve Conditional Use Permit No. 1008720 and Site Development Permit No. 1008721;
- Recommend the City Council Approve Public Right-of Way Vacation No. 1010432.

<u>Community Planning Group Recommendation</u>: On April 1, 2013, the City Heights Area Planning Committee voted 14-0-0 to recommend approval of the project (Attachment 13).

Environmental Review: This project is exempt from environmental review pursuant to Article 19, Section 15332, Infill Development Project, of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). The project meets the criteria set forth in CEQA Section 15332 which allows for the construction of infill development within an urbanized area that can be adequately serviced by all required utilities and public services. This project is not pending an appeal of the environmental determination. The environmental exemption determination for this project was made on April 8, 2013, and the Notice of Right to Appeal (NORA) was posted on April 15, 2013 and the opportunity to appeal that determination ended April 29, 2013 (Attachment 14).



<u>Fiscal Impact Statement</u>: None with this action. All costs associated with the processing of this project are paid from a deposit account maintained by the applicant.

**Code Enforcement Impact:** None with this action.

Housing Impact Statement: The 0.64 acre project site is located at 4255 Thorn Street in the RS-1-7 Zone within the Central Urbanized Planned District Boundary, the City Heights Community of the Mid-City Communities Plan area, and the City Heights Redevelopment Project Area. The community plan designates the site for Residential (6-10 du/ac). Educational facilities are allowed in the zone and the community plan through a Conditional Use Permit. The project site could accommodate one dwelling unit on the consolidated lots based on the underlying zone, and 3 to 6 residential dwelling units based on the community plan.

The project proposes the demolition of two single family dwelling units and construction of an 11,737 square foot educational facility with a 380 square foot residential studio on the site. The development of the proposed project would decrease the opportunity to provide housing stock in a time when the City Council has determined that the City of San Diego is in a housing state of emergency. However, this project is subject to a Housing Trust Fund (HTF) non-residential impact fee for the educational facility, which is due at the time of building permit issuance. Although the proposed project is located in the City Heights Redevelopment Project Area, no redevelopment funds are being used to finance this project.

# **BACKGROUND**

The proposed project site is located at 4255 Thorn Street (Attachment 1), on the southeastern corner of Thorn Street and Van Dyke Avenue (Attachment 2), in the RS-1-7 Zone within the Central Urbanized Planned District Boundary (Attachment 3), the City Heights Community of the Mid-City Communities Plan area (Attachment 4), and the City Heights Redevelopment Project Area. The community plan designates the site for Residential (6-10 du/ac) and educational uses are allowed in the residential land use designation and within the residential zone through a Conditional Use Permit. The 0.64 acre site could accommodate one dwelling unit on the consolidated lots based on the underlying zone, and 3 to 6 residential dwelling units based on the community plan.

The project site consists of four lots containing two existing single family dwelling units and accessory structures, which were constructed in 1960. A historical assessment for the two single-family dwelling units was performed and City staff determined that the properties and associated structures would not be considered historically or architecturally significant under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) in terms of architectural style, appearance, design, or construction associated with important persons or events in history.

The project site contains frontage on Van Dyke Avenue, Thorn Street and Lexington Avenue. The northern portion of Thorn Street contains public improvements and the southern side of the street is unimproved, and the far eastern portion of the Thorn Street frontage is partially

improved (Attachment 2). Lexington Avenue runs along the eastern property line as an unimproved paper street and is part of the Manzanita Canyon, an urban canyon within the community.

## **DISCUSSION**

## **Project Description:**

The project proposes the demolition of two single family dwelling units and construction of an 11,737 square foot educational facility on the 0.64 acre site. The facility includes two laboratories, alcoves for small gatherings and classes, a kitchen and dining room, offices, storage space, and a 380 square foot residential studio for a visiting scientist-in-residence. The Ocean Discovery Institute's Living Lab would provide natural resources-based instructional services, access to local nature, youth development activities, and public programs, which have been designed to facilitate learning about science and conservation, inspiring participants to inquire, investigate, and innovate. The state-of-the-art laboratories would provide hands-on programming in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics.

The building design would achieve a Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) Platinum level certification and would meet applicable themes of the Living Building Challenge (e.g., net zero for water and energy use, integrates opportunities for urban agriculture, etc.). Additionally, the site would be improved with 35,000 square feet of outdoor features and provide increased accessibility to nature within the neighborhood. Landscaping would be woven throughout the site by incorporating a green roof and extending landscaping around the building into the canyon, and native plantings would represent local habitats. Interpretive signage would be located to explain ongoing experiments. Space would be allocated to raise native plants for use in canyon restoration projects, which provides the opportunities for teaching and demonstrations about growing edible produce.

Development of the project requires a Conditional Use Permit (CUP) for the proposed educational facility, a Site Development Permit (SDP) for deviations to the zoning regulations for a sustainable building project, and a Public Right-Of -Way (ROW) Vacation to vacate a portion of Thorn Street. Because the project utilizes renewable technologies and qualifies as a Sustainable Building, the land use approvals have been processed through the Affordable/In-Fill Housing and Sustainable Buildings Expedite Program.

### **Project-Related Issues:**

<u>Public Right-of Way Vacation</u>- The project proposal includes a request for a public right-of-way (ROW) vacation for a portion of Thorn Street, and if granted, would install all new public improvements along the southern and far eastern portions of Thorn Street. Public improvements would include new curb, gutter, sidewalk, an approximately 4 foot high retaining wall, storm drain improvements, pavement, street parking, and the relocation of the water and sewer mains. At the intersection of Van Dyke Avenue and Thorn Street, new street signage, striping, crosswalk and accessible curb ramps would be provided, which will improve the access to this facility as well as the Joyner Elementary school that is located immediately north of the site.

Staff has reviewed the requested public ROW vacation for a portion of Thorn Street as it relates to the current street configuration and design, topographic conditions, and the prospective public use. Staff has determined that there are no present or prospective uses for that portion of public ROW, and the public would benefit from the action through the improved use of the land and the benefit of the installation of the public ROW improvements that currently do not exist.

<u>Deviations</u>- The proposed project includes a request for deviations to street side yard setback, side yard setback, site wall height, building height, and the driveway width. The following are the code sections and justifications for the deviations (Attachment 5-Deviation Location Diagram):

Street Side Yard Setback- A deviation to SDMC Section 131.0443(a)(3)(B) to allow for a 3 foot street side yard setback along Thorn Street for the open air entry rotunda, where the code requires a 10 foot street side yard setback. This deviation is requested to allow for an enhanced main entry of the facility along Thorn Street, to enhance the security of the facility and to assist in noise reduction from the outdoor activities. The open air entry rotunda also serves as an outdoor meeting and orientation space for the students and quests.

Side Yard Setback- A deviation to SDMC Section 131.0443(a)(3)(A) to allow for an 8 foot side yard setback along the south property line, where the code requires 10 percent width of the property or 9.76 feet. The original property would have required an 8 foot side yard setback; however, with the ROW vacation along Thorn Street, the property requires a 9.76 foot setback. This deviation is requested to maintain the original 8 foot side yard setback along the south property line. This side yard will contain a 6 foot high CMU property line wall/fence and be fully landscaped, which provides screening and a buffer to the single family dwelling unit next door.

Site Wall Height- A deviation to SDMC Section 142.0310(c) to allow for a 7 foot to 11 foot (varies based on grade) wall/fence along Thorn Street, where the code requires no portion of the fence shall exceed the height established by a line drawn beginning at a point 3 feet above grade at the property line and ending at a point 6 feet above grade at the setback line. This deviation is requested to achieve a more creative and sustainable management of the off-site storm water flow along Thorn Street, which provides the opportunities for teaching and demonstrations about storm water, and to assist in noise reduction from the outdoor activities.

Building Height- A deviation to San Diego Municipal Code (SDMC) Section 131-0444(b) and Table 131-04H, to allow for a maximum building height of 33 feet along the south side yard setback with no angled building envelope, where the code requires the building envelope above 24 feet to be angled back by 30 degrees and have an overall maximum height of 30 feet. This deviation is requested to improve the environmental sustainability of the architectural design to achieve a net zero energy building and reduce the heat gain. Because of the 10 foot grade difference from Thorn Street to the southern property line, the requested deviation is only for the southern façade of the building and remaining portions of the building complies with the height regulations of the zone.

*Driveway Width-* A deviation to SDMC Section 142.0560(c) to allow for a 20 foot driveway width, where the code requires a minimum 24 foot driveway width for a non-residential uses. This deviation is requested to reduce the visual impact of the parking entrance and enhance

compatibility with the surrounding residential neighborhood. The controlled parking facility contains 15 parking spaces and is mostly used by staff, which would create a very low driveway usage.

Staff has reviewed each of the requested deviations as they relate to the proposed design of the project, the property configuration with its varying topographic conditions, and the surrounding development. Staff has determined that the deviations are appropriate and will result in a more desirable project that efficiently utilizes the site and to achieve a net zero energy building, while meeting the purpose and intent of the development regulations.

# General/Community Plan Analysis:

The proposed project is located at 4255 Thorn Street in the City Heights Community of the Mid-City Communities Plan area. The proposal is to demolish two single family dwelling units and construction of an 11,737 square foot educational facility with 35,000 square feet of outdoor features. The proposed site is located on an approximately 0.64-acre site with a land use designation of Residential (6-10 du/ac) that would allow the development of 3 to 6 residential dwelling units. A mixture of single and multi-family residential developments is located immediately to the south and west of the site. Joyner Elementary school is located immediately north of the site and Manzanita canyon is located east and south east of the project site.

The proposed project is classified as an educational facility and would not adversely affect the goals and policies of the Mid-City Communities Plan. The proposed project would not adversely impact the Community Plan land use designation as educational uses are allowed within the residential land use designation through a Conditional Use Permit (CUP). The proposed project helps to implement the Public Facilities and Services Element, which promotes additional educational facilities within the community, including the location of alternative resources.

The proposed Living Lab facility would provide research and educational opportunities within the adjacent Manzanita Canyon, and would help implement General Plan goals and policies. The General Plan's Urban Design Element's policies UD-A.2 and UD-A.3 encourage the design and location of buildings that permit visual and physical access to the canyon. The proposed project's incorporation of photovoltaic panels and permeable surfaces would also support the General Plan Conservation Element policies CE-I.5 and CE-E.2 that address renewable energy and urban runoff management.

The proposed project includes deviations to the height limit and setback regulations. The proposed deviation to the height limit would help improve the sustainability of the proposed project, with the goal of creating a net zero energy building, and would not have a major visual impact to the surrounding land uses. The overall building height as seen from Thorn Street is below the height limit due to grading conditions and the proposed design would not affect shading of neighboring structures. The proposed deviation in the setback for the entry rotunda and the corner of the parking lot screen wall would not adversely impact pedestrian or vehicular circulation goals and policies of the General Plan and Community Plan which include the provision of adequate sidewalks and paths and limiting the impact of parking on pedestrians. The proposed partial vacation of Thorn Street would not adversely affect the circulation network of the community plan as connectivity along Thorn Street will be maintained.

# Conclusion:

With the approval of the requested deviations, the proposed project meets all applicable regulations and policy documents, and staff finds the project consistent with the recommended land use, design guidelines, and development standards in effect for this site per the adopted Mid-City Communities Plan, Land Development Code, and the General Plan.

## **ALTERNATIVES**

- 1. **Recommend Approve** of Conditional Use Permit No. 1008720, Site Development Permit No. 1008721 and Public Right-of Way Vacation No. 1010432, with modifications.
- 2. **Recommend Denial** of Conditional Use Permit No. 1008720, Site Development Permit No. 1008721 and Public Right-of Way Vacation No. 1010432, if the findings required to approve the project cannot be affirmed.

Respectfully submitted,

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Assistant Deputy Director

Development Services Department

Jeffrey A. Peterson

Development Project Manager
Development Services Department

### WESTLAKE/JAP

### Attachments:

- 1. Location Map
- 2. Aerial Photographs
- 3. Zone Map
- 4. Community Plan Land Use Map
- 5. Deviation Location Diagram
- 6. Project Data Sheet
- 7. ROW Vacation No. 37352-B Sheet
- 8. Project Plans
- 9. Draft CUP and SDP Resolution with Findings
- 10. Draft CUP and SDP Permit with Conditions
- 11. Draft Public ROW Vacation Resolution
- 12. Draft Planning Commission Recommendation
- 13. Community Planning Group Recommendation
- 14. Environmental Exemption
- 15. Ownership Disclosure Statement
- 16. Project Chronology

Internal Order No. 24002968



# **Location Map**



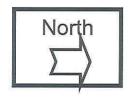


# **Aerial Photograph**



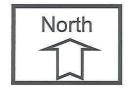


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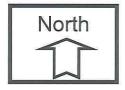


Zone Map (RS-1-7)



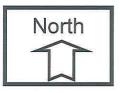


# Community Plan Land Use Map





# **Deviation Location Diagram**



PROJECT DATA SHEET							
PROJECT NAME:	Living Lab-Ocean Discovery; Project No. 287114						
PROJECT DESCRIPTION:	Demolition of two single family dwelling units and construction of an 11,737 square foot educational facility with a 380 square foot residential studio.						
COMMUNITY PLAN AREA:	City Heights						
DISCRETIONARY ACTIONS:	Conditional Use Permit, Site Development Permit and Public Right-of Way Vacation						
COMMUNITY PLAN LAND USE DESIGNATION:	Residential (6-10 du/ac)						

# **ZONING INFORMATION:**

ZONE: RS-1-7

HEIGHT LIMIT: 24/30 feet

LOT SIZE: 5,000 square feet

**FLOOR AREA RATIO: 0.45** 

LOT COVERAGE: NA

FRONT SETBACK: 15 feet

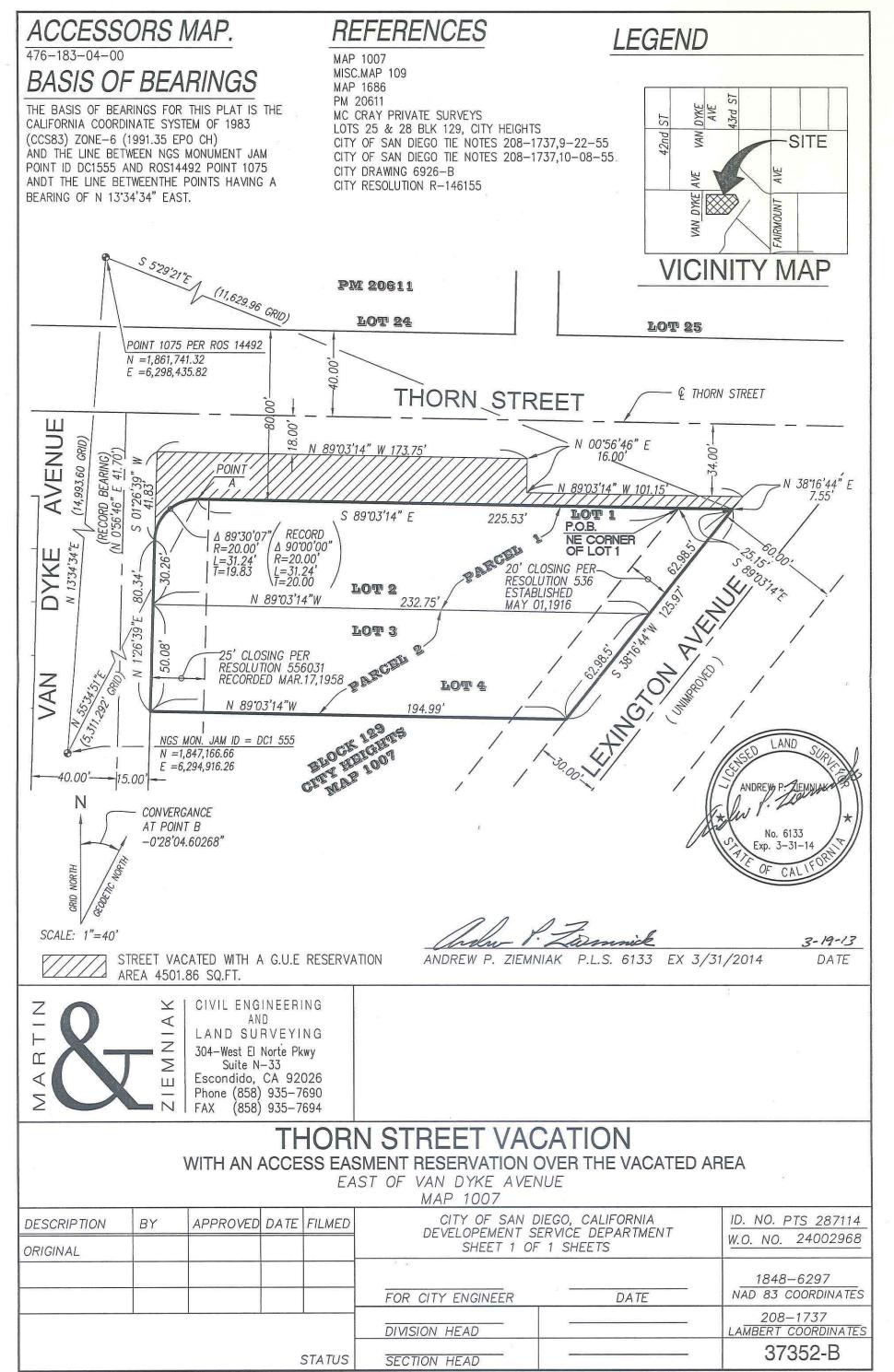
SIDE SETBACK: 10 percent of lot width or 9.76 feet

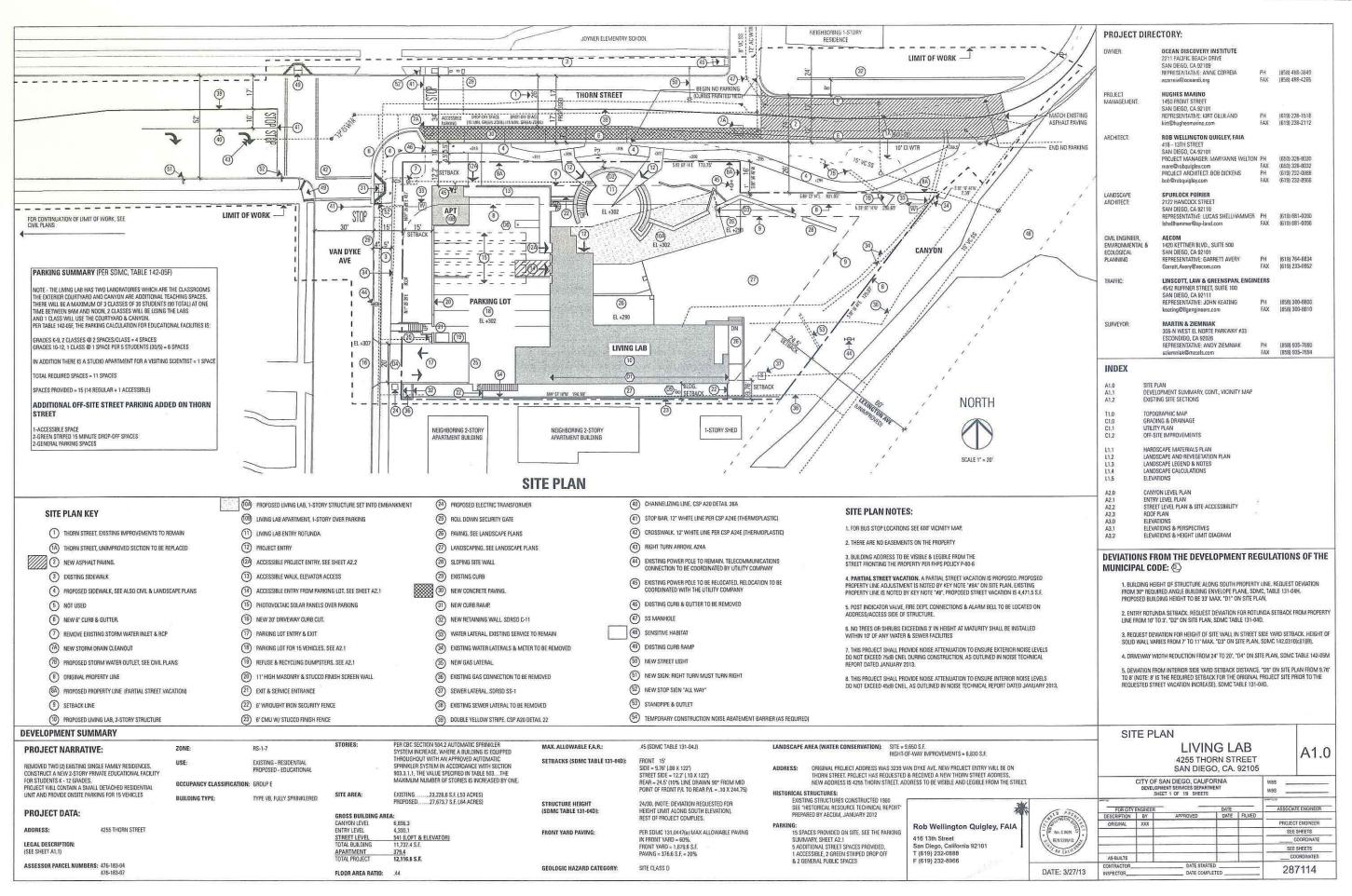
STREETSIDE SETBACK: 10 feet

**REAR SETBACK: 13 feet** 

PARKING: 15 on-site spaces

ADJACENT PROPERTIES:	LAND USE DESIGNATION & ZONE	EXISTING LAND USE				
NORTH:	Residential; RS-17 and CU-3-6	Elementary School and Multi-Family Residential				
SOUTH:	Residential; RS-17	Multi-Family Residential				
EAST:	Residential and Open Space; RS-17	Open Space				
WEST:	Residential; RS-17 Multi-Family Residential					
DEVIATIONS OR VARIANCES REQUESTED:	The proposed project includes a request for deviations to street side yard setback, side yard setback, site wall height, building height, and the driveway width.					
COMMUNITY PLANNING GROUP RECOMMENDATION:	On April 1, 2013, the City Heights 0 to recommend approval of the pr	s Area Planning Committee voted 14-0-roject.				





### DEVELOPMENT SUMMARY CONT.

### PROJECT DATA CONT:

LEGAL DESCRIPTION: LDTS 182 OF BLOCK 125 OF CITY HEIGHTS, CITY OF SAN DIEGO. COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO. STATE OF CA., MAP NO 1007, FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY RECORDER OF SAN DIEGO COUNTY,

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### STREET RIGHT OF WAY VACATION

# VACATION OF PORTION OF THORN STREET WITH A GENERAL UTILITY AND ACCESS EASEMENT RESERVATION

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THIS DESCRIBED RIGHT OF WAY VACATION CONTAINS 4501.86 SQUARE FEET MORE OR LESS.

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Project Components: 12,116 s.f. educational facility includes the following:

Lobby/reception (Discovery Gallery)
 2 classroom/laboratories for 30 students, approximately 1,000 s.f. each

Offices/cubicles for 15 staff (approximately 1,315 s.f.)
 Kitchen and dining room (468 s.f.)

Men's, women's and staff restrooms
 3 alcoves and 2 fellows bays for informal staff and student break-out meetings

Storage/tool storage/mechanical space (approximately 2,000 s.f.)
 Miscellaneous copier room, locker rooms, janitor closet, elevator equipment and electrical rooms
 362 s.f. studio apartment for visiting scientist or caretaker

15-space on site parking lot, plus 5 new street parking on Thorn Street, 2 drop-off spaces, 2 general parking spaces and 1 accessible space.

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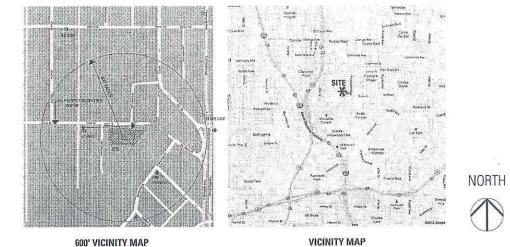
Exterior spaces include public entry through Watershed Plaza, Ocean Discovery Courtyard for outside teaching activities, a demonstration garden, native plantings, and play area

### TABLE 1

### Hours of Operation & Uses

Day	Hours of Operation	Peak Times	Use	Targeted Audience	Numbers Served	Staff
School Days	9:00am-	9:00am- 12pm	Formal science programs	City Heights students	90	15
	6:00pm	4рт-брт	After-school science programs	City Heights students and families	90	15
Non-School Week Days (Summer & Holidays)	9:00am-	9am-3pm	Science programs	City Heights students and families	90	15
	6:00pm	3рт-6рт	Science programs	City Heights students and families	90	15
Weekends 9:00am- 3:00pm		9am-3pm	Science programs	City Heights community at large	90	6

Students and their teachers will arrive either on foot or in 60-person buses at the start of the morning sessions and depart at the end of a session. The buses will park for drop-off at the intersection of Thorn & 42nd Streets (2 blocks away) according to an agreement with the SD Unified. It is likely that buses will provide weekday drop-off and pick-up (up to 5 days/week). For the afternoon sessions, students and teachers will be arriving by foot, bicycle, public transportation, or individual vehicles (primarily drop-off/pick-up).



VICINITY MAP

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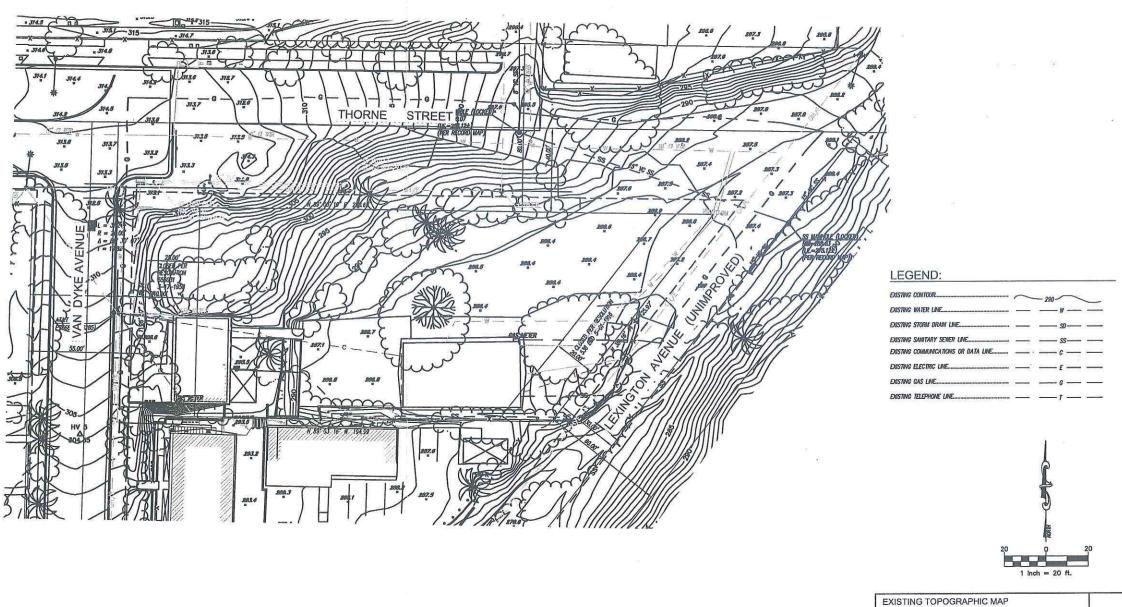
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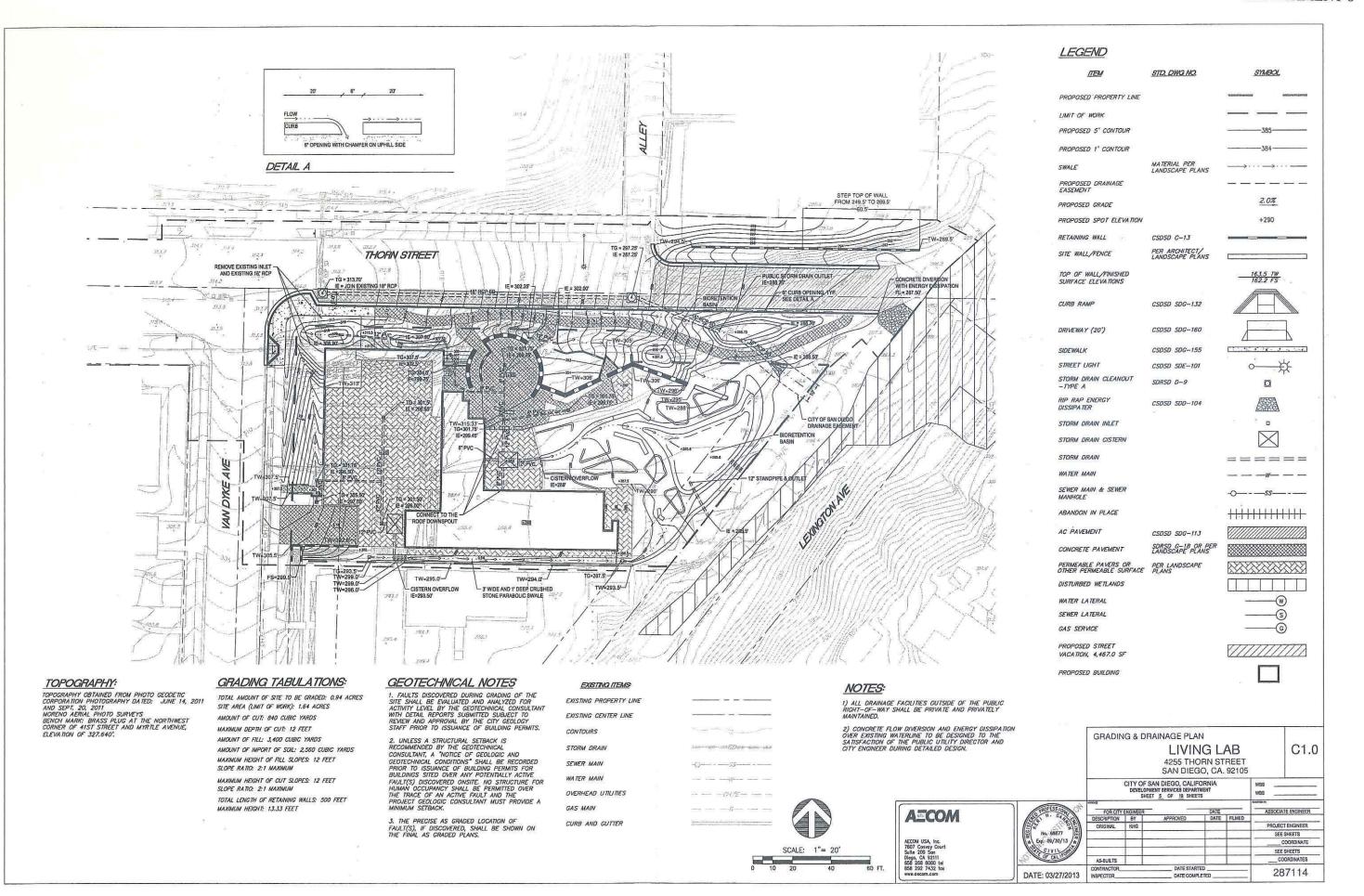
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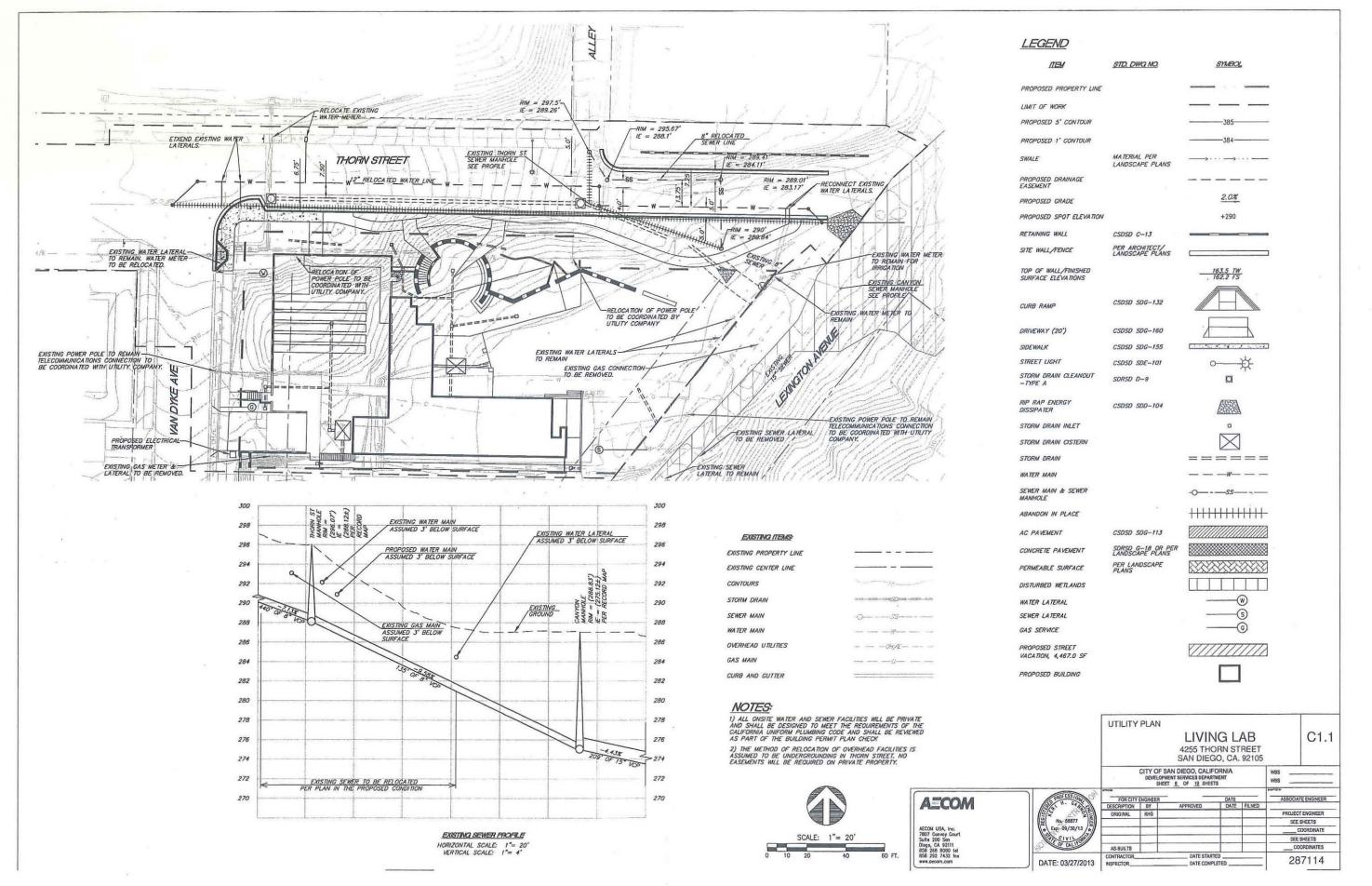
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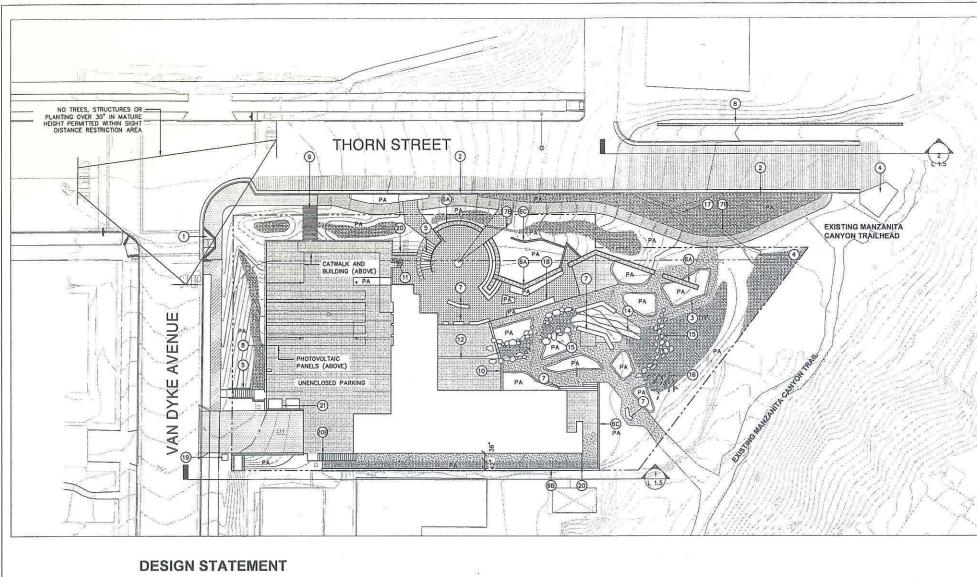
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ATTACHMENT 8









IF I UNDERSTAND HOW THE WORLD WORKS, I CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE." THIS CENTRAL THEME IS THE FOUNDATION FOR OCEAN DISCOVERY INSTITUTE'S (ODI) LIVING LAB FACILITY. THE PROJECT CONCEPT IS A PRODUCT OF THE PROGRAM NEEDS ODI, COMMUNITY INPUT AND RESPONSE TO THE UNIQUE CONDITIONS OF THE SITE. THE CLIENT INTENDS TO ACHIEVE LEED ACCREDITATION AS WELL AS ADDITIONAL SITE SUSTAINABILITY GOALS. THE BUILDING AND SITE WILL SERVE AS AN EXAMPLE FOR VISITORS AND THE COMMUNITY. LIVING LAB WILL PROVIDE VARIOUS OPPORTUNITIES FOR LEARNING THROUGH EXPERIENCES AND INTERACTIONS FACILITATED BY OCEAN DISCOVERY INSTITUTE'S PROGRAMS.

LIMING LAB
THE LIVING LAB PROGRAM'S PRIMARY AUDIENCE WILL BE YOUNG PEOPLE FROM URBAN AND DIVERSE BACKGROUNDS. STUDENTS FROM
MMEDIATE AND REGIONAL SCHOOLS WILL PARTICIPATE IN SCIENCE EDUCATION PROGRAMS AT THE FACILITY. THESE STUDENTS WILL BE
ENGAGED THEROUGH VARIOUS PROGRAMS (BOTH PROGRAMMED AND SELF-GUIDED) AIMED AT SPARKING INTEREST AND INQUISITION
ABOUT THEIR RELATIONSHIP TO THE REGIONAL ENVIRONMENT. THE BUILDING AND LANDSCAPE WILL SERVE AS METAPHORICAL MODELS
OF THE RELATIONSHIPS — PROVIDING A CATALYST FOR LEARNING.
ADDITIONALLY, FAMILIES, TEACHERS AND THE COMMUNITY WILL SERVE AS A CRUCIAL ELEMENT TO THE SUCCESS OF THE CENTER. THE
FACILITIES WILL ENCOURAGE USE AND OWNERSHIP BY THESE PARTICIPANTS AFTER—SCHOOL AND DURING BREAKS. THE BUILDING AND
LANDSCAPE WILL BE OPEN DURING ALL HOURS FOR COMMUNITY SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH, STEWARDSHIP AND RECREATION.

RELATIONSHIP TO CANYON
THE INSTITUTE'S LOCATION AT THE BEGINNING OF MANZANITA CANYON AND CREEK IS AN IMPORTANT PHYSICAL AND METAPHORICAL
CONNECTION TO THE GREATER SAN DIEGO REGION AND WATERSHED. THE LANDSCAPE DESIGN EMPHASIZES THIS CONNECTION BY
ACTIVELY DISPLATING AND HIGHLICHTING THE MOVEMENT AND RELATIONSHIP OF STORMWATER. A SERIES OF RETENTION BASINS, WEIRS
AND AN ABSTRACT WATER-LEARNING FEATURE INSPIRE USERS TO LEARN MORE ABOUT THEIR INFLUENCE AT A REGIONAL SCALE.
ANOTHER IMPORTANT ELEMENT OF THE DESIGN IS THE INCLUSION OF BOTANICAL GARDENS AND NATIVE REVEGETATION OF MANZANITA
CANYON. THE PLANTING PALETTE WILL CONSIST OF ENDEMIC AND REGIONAL PLANTINGS. THE PLANTING WILL DISPLAY THE IMMENSE
SEASONAL AND MICROCLIMATIC VARIATION FOUND IN SAN DIEGO.
ADDITIONALLY, AS PART OF A SEPARATE PROJECT, OOI MILL INSTITUTE A MITIGATION OF MANZANITA CANYON AND ITS TRAILHEAD. DII
IS CURRENTLY COORDINATING WITH SAN DIEGO CANYONLANDS ON THEIR PROPOSALS FOR MANZANITA CANYON AS PART OF AN URBAN
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MANZANITA CANYON, THE PUEBLO WATERSHED AND THE PACIFIC OCEAN.

INTERPRETIVE POTENTIAL
PROVIDING A GATEWAY ELEMENT HIGHLIGHTING THE IMPORTANCE OF ENVIRONMENTAL AWARENESS IS ANOTHER IMPORTANT ASPECT OF
THE PROJECT. THE PROJECT AIMS TO GAIN LEED ACCREDITATION TO CERTIFY ITS SUSTAINABILITY. SITE RUNOFF WILL BE HARVESTED
AND USED WITHIN THE BUILDING FOR TOILET FLUSHING AND OUTSIDE THE BUILDING FOR IRRIGATION, ENERGY WILL BE PRODUCED
THROUGH AN ARRAY OF SQLAR PANELS THAT WILL ALSO SHADE THE CONCEALED PARKING. ADDITIONALLY, LOCAL, SUSTAINABLE AND
RECYCLED MATERIALS WILL BE INCORPORATED INTO THE LANDSCAPE DESIGN. SUSTAINABLE METHODS WILL BE HIGHLIGHTED AND
EMPHASIZED THROUGHOUT THE DESIGN SERVING AS A COMMUNITY EXAMPLE.

COMMUNITY CONTEXT

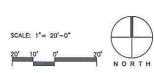
ODI'S LIVING LAB SITE WILL SERVE AS AN INTEGRAL PART OF THE COMMUNITY AND REGIONAL CONTEXT. THE SIDEWALK ADJACENT TO THORN STREET (AND PROPERTY LINE) WILL BE REALIGNED TO PROVIDE AN URBAN TRAIL. THIS REALIGNMENT WILL CREATE AN ENHANCED USER EXPERIENCE AS WELL AS RELATE TO THE MANZANITA CANYON LANDSCAPE.

THE PROCRAM MESHES ODI'S CENTRAL THEME OF LEARNING THROUGH SCIENCE WITH THE COMMUNITES' DESIRE FOR QUALITY PUBLIC PLACES. THE BOTANICAL GARDENS, ORGANIC GARDEN, TRAILS AND LABORATORIES PROVIDE MUCH NEEDED COMMUNITY RESOURCES TO CITY HEIGHTS. TOGETHER, THE BUILDING AND LANDSCAPE WILL PROVIDE A UNIQUE OPPORTUNITY TO ENGAGE YOUTH AND COMMUNITY HROUGH SCIENCE.

### **HARDSCAPE LEGEND**

SYMBOL	HARDSCAPE	DESCRIPTION
PAVING/ CURB/ EDGING		
	EXISTING SIDEWALK TO REMAIN	
	TYPE 1 PAVING	C.I.P. CONCRETE TO MATCH EXISTING VAN DYKE SIDEWALK, VEHICULAR PER CIVIL ENGINEER
	TYPE 2 PAVING	C.I.P. CONCRETE WITH STANDARD GRAY OR INTEGRAL COLOR, EXPOSED AGGREGATE FINISH
	TYPE 3 PAVING	C.I.P. CONCRETE WITH EXPOSED AGGREGATE FINISH OR STONE PAVERS
	TYPE 4 PAVING	C.I.P. CONCRETE OR PERMEABLE PAVER, VEHICULAR PER CIVIL ENGINEER
	TYPE 5 PAVING	STABILIZED DECOMPOSED GRANITE
	VEHICULAR PAVING	PER CIVIL ENGINEER
	RETENTION BASIN AND SWALE GRAVEL MIX	50% 2"-4" + 50% 4"-8" LOCAL RIVER ROCK
1	TRUNCATED DOMES AND CURB RAMP	PER CIVIL ENGINEER
2	C.I.P CONCRETE CURB AND GUTTER WITH GAPS FOR WATER ENTRY	VEHICULAR CURB, PER CIVIL ENGINEER
3	STACKED RECYCLED CONCRETE PLANTERS	6" - 1' HEIGHT
4	EROSION CONTROL	PER CIVIL ENGINEER
STEPS/ RAMPS/ BRIDGE	ES/ WALLS	8. 85
(5)	STAIR WITH CONCRETE CHEEK WALLS	STEEL HAND RAIL
6A	STONE VENEER WALL	NATURAL STONE VENEER WALL HEIGHT VARIES, PER ARCHITECT
(6B)	C.M.U. SCREEN WALL	C.M.U. WITH TOWELED STUCCO FINISH AND COLOR MAX HEIGHT 6', SEE 1/L1.5
(C)	C.M.U. RETAINING WALL	C.M.U. WITH TOWELED STUCCO FINISH AND COLOR MAX HEIGHT 3'
(7)	C.I.P. CONCRETE SEATWALL	C.I.P. BOARDFORM CONCRETE SEATWALL, LENGTH VARIES PER PLAN
8	RETAINING WALL	PER CIVIL ENGINEER, C.M.U. WITH TOWELED STUCCO FINISH
9	PLASTIC LUMBER CROSSING	RECYCLED PLASTIC LUMBER DECKING WITH ACCESSIBLE SURFACE
(10)	RETRACTABLE GATE	PER ARCHITECT
OTHER		
11)	BIKE AND SKATEBOARD RACKS	2 2
12	FRENCH DRAIN	
(13)	DRAINAGE FEATURE	TEACHING ELEMENT W/ METAL DRAIN SET INTO CONCRETE TO REVEAL STORMWATER RUNOFF
14	WATERSHED PLAY AREA	C.P. WATERSHED MODEL WITH INTEGRATED WATER PLAY AREA
Oo (15)	NATURAL BOULDERS	LOCAL BOULDERS, SIZE VARIES
16)	NATURAL DRIFTWOOD PLAY AREA	NATURE PLAY AREA
17	OFFSITE STORMDRAIN OUTFALL	PER CIVIL ENGINEER
. 79	DRAINAGE ELEMENT	PER CIVIL ENGINEER
(18)	RAISED PLANTERS	PREFABRICATED PLANTERS AT ROOFTOP VEGETABLE GARDEN
(19)	PROPOSED UTILITIES	VEGETABLE GARDEN PER CIVIL ENGINEER
20)	SECURITY FENCE	METAL FENCE OR GATE
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SECURITY FENCE (BELOW STAIR)

EXISTING PROPERTY LINE

PROPOSED PROPERTY LINE PLANTING AREA

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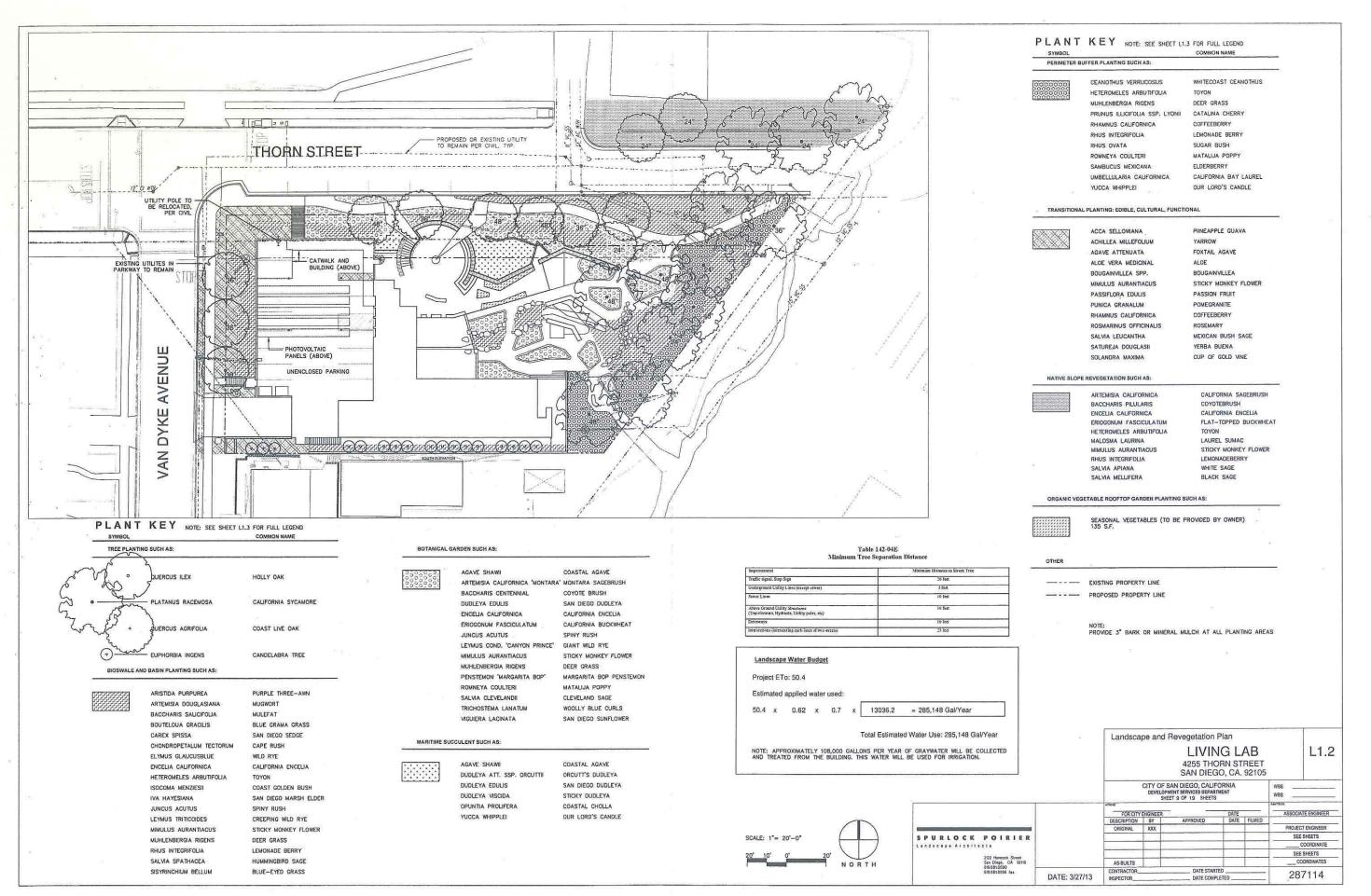
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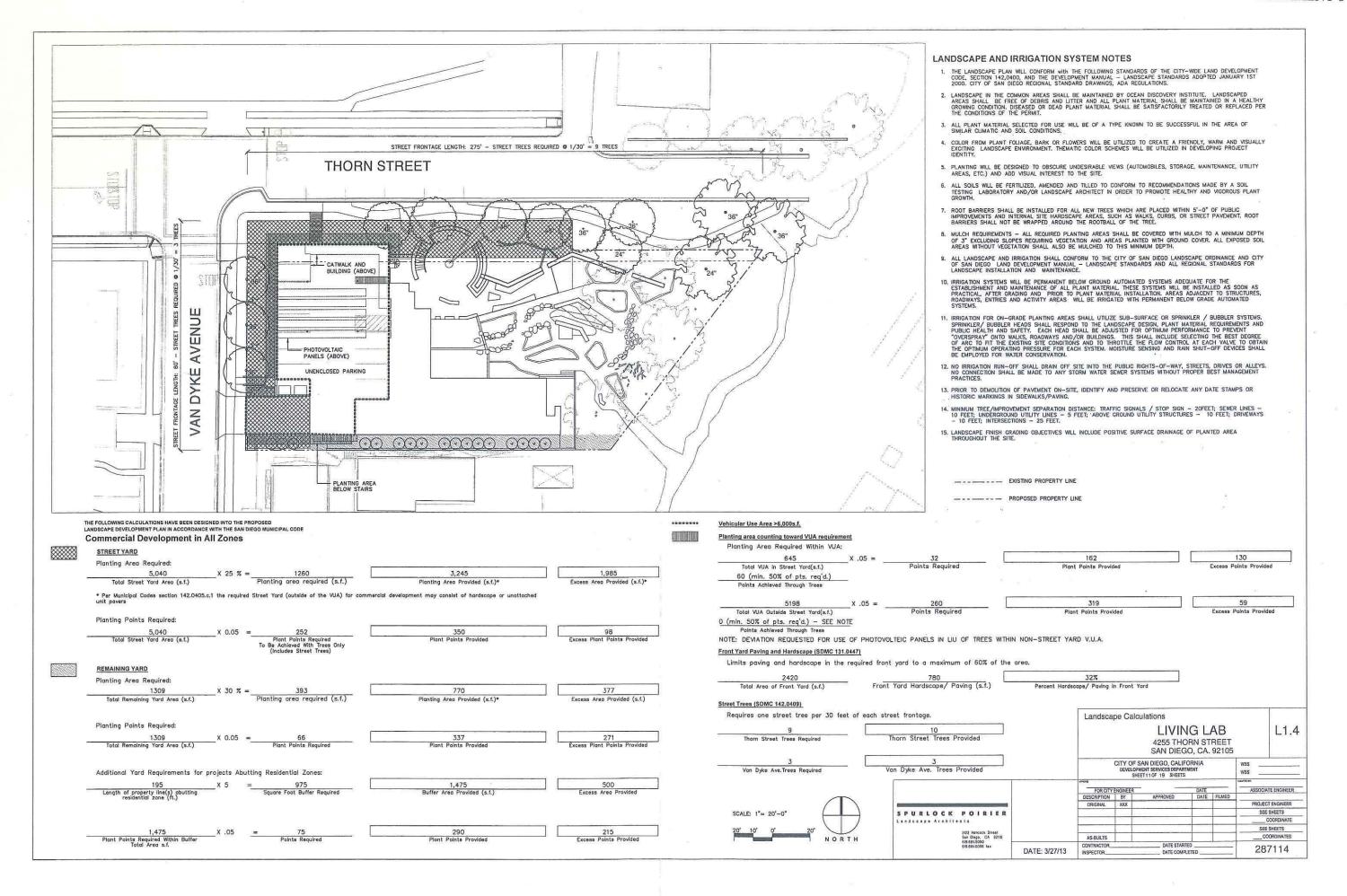
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W.	5	OLLY OAK	BH, E / SH	40'-70' X 50-60' W	36" BOX	5		CEANOTHUS VERRUCOSUS HETEROMELES ARBUTIFOLIA MUHLENBERGIA RIGENS PRUNUS ILLICIFOLIA SSP. LYONII	WHITECOAST CEANOTHUS TOYON DEER GRASS CATALINA CHERRY	U, E / SC U, E / SC U, E / AC, SC U, E / SC	6-8' H X 6-8' W 8-15' H X 10-15' W 5' H X 4' W 10-40' H X 15' W	15% 15 GALLON 15% 5 GALLON 70% 1 GALLON	16 64 463			
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Land .	}	DAST LIVE OAK	BH, E / SH	30'-60' X 35'	24" BOX 36" BOX 48" BOX	6 3 3		RHUS OVATA ROMNEYA COULTERI SAMBUCUS MEXICANA	SUGAR BUSH MATALIJA POPPY ELDERBERRY	U, E / AC, SC U, D / SC, AC U, D / SC, AC	8-15' H X 10' W 8' H X SPREADING 25' H X 25' W					
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		APE RUSH LD RYE	U, E / AC U, D / SC	2-3' H X 3-4 W 4' H X SPREADING				ALOE VERA MEDICINAL	ALOE	U, E / AC, SP	1-2" H X 1-2" W					
		ALIFORNIA ENCELIA	U, E / SC	3'-4' H X 4' W				BOUGAINVILLEA SPP. MIMULUS AURANTIACUS	BOUGAINVILLEA STICKY MONKEY FLOWER	S, F / AC, SP U, E / SC	VARIES 4.5' H X 4.5' W					
		YON	U, E / SC	8-15' H X 10-15' W				PASSIFLORA EDULIS	PASSION FRUIT	S, E / SH	VINE					
			U, E / SC	3-4' H X 3-4' W				PUNICA GRANALUM	POMEGRANITE	U, D / AC, SP	20-30' H					
			S, E / SC U, E / AC, SC	2' H X SPREADING 1'-3' H X 1'-5' W				RHAMNUS CALIFORNICA	COFFEEBERRY	U. E / AC. SC	8-12' H X 4-8' W					
			U, E / AC, SC	2'-3' H X 6' W				ROSMARINUS OFFICINALIS SALVIA LEUCANTHA	ROSEMARY MEXICAN BUSH SAGE	S, E / SC U, F / AC, SP	2-4' H X 4-5' W 3-4' H X 3-4' W					
	MIMULUS AURANTIACUS ST	TICKY MONKEY FLOWER	U, E / SC	4.5' H X 4.5' W				SATUREJA DOUGLASII	YERBA BUENA	S. E / SC	6 IN. H X SPREADING		*			
			U, E / AC, SC	5' H X 4' W				SOLANDRA MAXIMA	CUP OF GOLD VINE	S, E / SH	VINE					
			U, E / AC, SC S, E / AC	10' H X 10- 30' W 2' H X SPREADING												
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000000000000000000000000000000000000000	ARTEMISIA CALIFORNICA 'MONTARA' MO		U, E / AC	2' H X 6' W	15% 5 GALLON 70% 1 GALLON	73 533		MALOSMA LAURINA MIMULUS AURANTIACUS	LAUREL SUMAC STICKY MONKEY FLOWER	U. E / SC U. E / SC	15'-20' X 15'-20 4.5' X 4.5'	r				
CALALALA			U, E / SC	2-3' H X 4-6' W				RHUS INTEGRIFOLIA	LEMONADEBERRY	U, E / SC	3'-10' X 3'-10'					
			U, E / AC	1' H X 1' W				SALVIA APIANA	WHITE SAGE	U, E / SC	4' X 4'					
			U, E / SC U, E / AC, SP	3'-4' H X 4' W 3'-4' H X 4'+ W				SALVIA MELLIFERA	BLACK SAGE	U, E / SC	2' X 6'		,			
			U, E / AC, SC	1'-3' H X 1'-5' W			ORGANIC VEG	ETABLE ROOFTOP GARDEN PLANTING S	UCH AS:						Α.	
	LEYMUS COND. 'CANYON PRINCE' GIA		U, E / AC, SC	4" H X 4" W												
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		ARGARITA BOP PENSTEMON	U, E / AC U, D / SC, AC	1-2' H X 2-3' W B' H X SPREADING												
2			U, E / AC	4-6' H X 3-5' W			ABBREVIATION	NS								
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		PASTAL AGAVE	U, E / AC	1' H X 2' W	15% 15 GALLON	7	OTHER									
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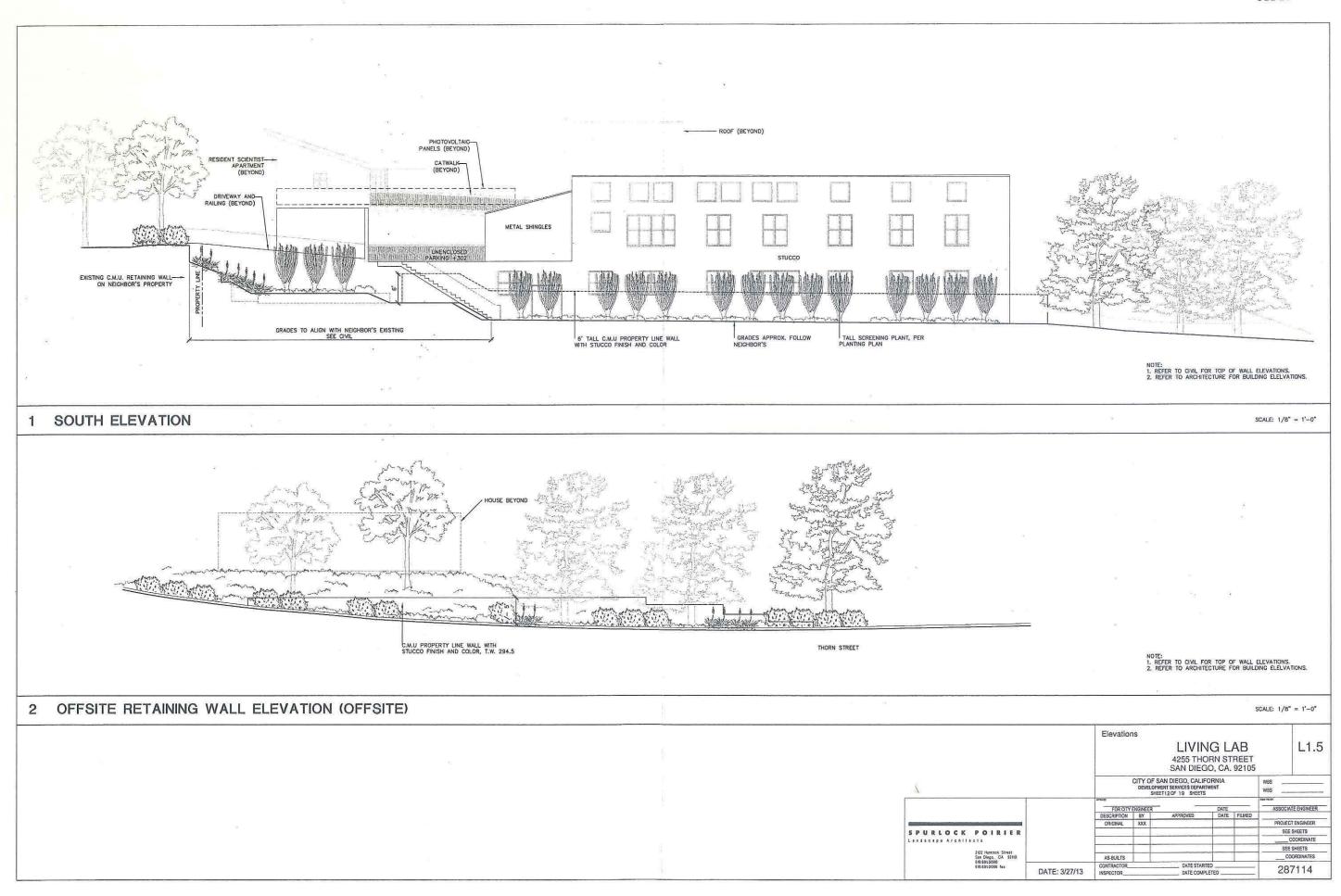
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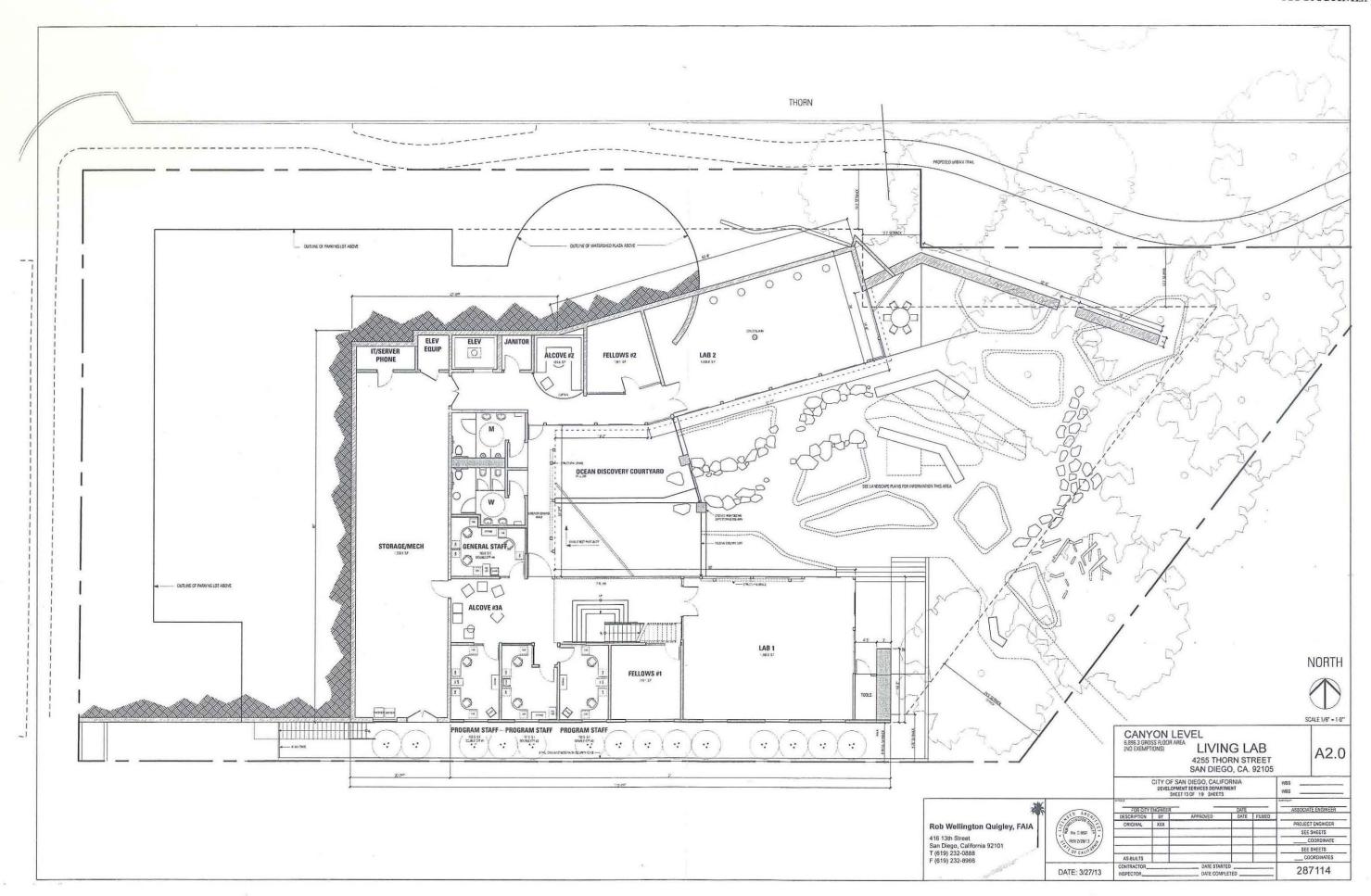
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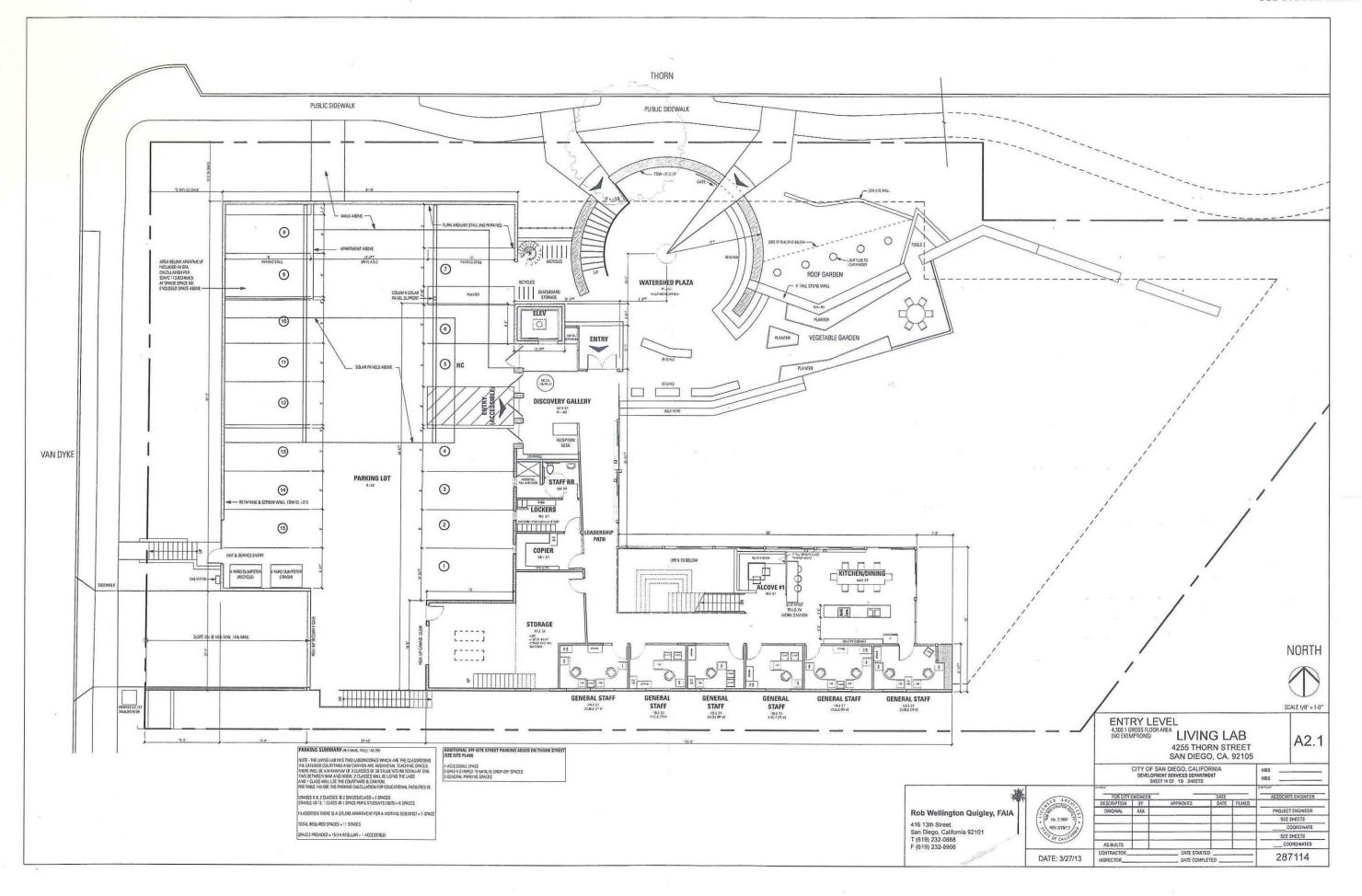
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