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DATE: May 23, 2016

File: AR 16-03

TO: Architectural Review and Historic Preservation Board

FROM: Mike Sawley, Associate Planner, (879-6812, mike.sawley@chicoca.gov)

Community Development Department

RE: Dr. Park's Office, 2505 Valhalla Place, APN 016-070-038

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the Architectural Review and Historic Preservation Board adopt the required findings contained in the agenda report and approve the proposed project, subject to the recommended conditions.

Proposed Motion

I move that the Architectural Review and Historic Preservation Board adopt the required findings contained in the agenda report and approve Architectural Review 16-03 (Dr. Park's Office), subject to the recommended conditions.

BACKGROUND

The applicant proposes to construct a single-story 2,000 sq. ft. office structure on an 8,000 sq. ft. site at 2505 Valhalla Place (see Location Map **Attachment A** and Applicant's Project Description, **Attachment B**). The site is designated Office Mixed Use on the City of Chico General Plan Land Use Diagram, and is located in the OR-AOC (Office Residential with Airport Overflight Zone C overlay) zoning district.

Currently vacant, the site plan calls for a new parking area located 10-feet back from the front property line with the new office structure behind. Vehicle access would be provided by a centrally-located driveway leading to a 7-space parking area, which meets Chico Municipal Code (CMC) requirements (See Site Plan, **Attachment C**). The majority of public frontage improvements were installed with the subdivision improvements.

Landscaping is planned around the perimeter of the site, with one large Chinese pistache tree providing most of the parking lot shading(see Landscape Plan, **Attachment D**). Additional accent trees (crepe myrtles and strawberry trees) are proposed in smaller planting areas. Shrubs and groundcover are also proposed to in the parking lot setback area and at various perimeter locations.

The proposed office building is a simple, stucco structure with hipped rooflines, stucco trim around all windows and doors, and a prominent front entry gable facing the entry drive and parking area (see Elevations, **Attachment E**). The gabled entryway would have paired columns with bases wrapped in stucco stone. Windows appear to be white vinyl with grid dividers.

The structure would have a light beige applied as the main color (La Habra "Silverado"), golden-beige trim (La Habra "Clay"), and light-colored composition shingles (Owens Corning

"Driftwood") (see Colors/Materials, **Attachment F**). The entry door and sidelights would be "Rustic Red," and the "El Dorado" ledger stone bases would have a mottled beige and gray appearance.

DISCUSSION

The project is marginally consistent with the City's adopted Design Guidelines (DGs). The building design offers a front-facing gable entryway and continuity throughout all four elevations in both colors and materials, consistent with DGs 1.2.22 and 3.2.33. The new building would be of a scale and form that appropriately transitions from the residential uses north to the office parcels located nearest East Avenue, as called for by DGs 1.2.13 and 3.2.11. Consistent with DGs 3.2.23, 3.2.28 and 3.1.35, the building entryway would aid wayfinding by creating a sense of focus, wall-mounted utilities would be hidden from view, and the trash storage area would be appropriately screened.

The design is challenged by several DGs that encourage a pedestrian orientation by locating buildings closer to adjacent low-volume streets and parking in less visible locations (DGs 1.1.13, 1.1.14, 1.1.15 and 3.1.25). The building presents a dominant front entry element, however, the design encourages visitors to walk through the parking area to enter the building, resulting in partial consistency with DG 3.1.11. The prominent parking area would not be adequately screened from street views, inconsistent with DG 3.1.24. And the predominantly-beige building colors and materials do not reflect a rich palette, as called-for by DG 3.2.32. Bicycle parking would be located near the front entrance (consistent with DG 3.1.34), though it would not be covered and protected from the elements as encouraged by DG 3.1.33.

To achieve better consistency with DGs 1.1.14 and 1.1.15, conditions are recommended to add architecturally-consistent screen walls, 3-4 feet in height, between the parking area and front sidewalk, and to provide a structural cover over the bicycle parking area. Conditions are also recommended to replace the white vinyl windows with a color that better-matches the proposed color scheme. Because the medical office use is not particularly neighborhood-serving, it is somewhat justified for the site design to be automobile-oriented. Therefore, with conditions to improve DG consistency, staff supports approval of the project.

As of July 1, 2015 the City of Chico is responsible for implementing Low Impact Development (LID) requirements as part of the State Water Resource Control Board's MS4 General Permit. Because of this new requirement, staff recommends a condition of approval that will allow flexibility in the final landscape plan to ensure the project will be in conformance with LID standards.

RECOMMENDED DISCUSSION ITEMS

Relationship to Neighborhood and Surrounding Area

Considering Design Guidelines that encourage incorporation of recognizable design elements related to the immediate neighborhood and greater Chico area (DGs 1.1.11, 1.2.21 and 1.1.34), discuss if adding or modifying architectural features is necessary for the Board to make the required findings for approval. Nearby residences include trellis features, river rock wainscot, and outlooks on gable-ends facing the street. Replacing the ledge-stone with river-rock pattern would enhance consistency with material used on the area. Adding trellis

features on either side of the entry feature could better-relate the project to residences in the immediate area, and would afford an opportunity to subtly cover the bicycle parking area. Modifying the roofline to include Dutch gables at the hipped ends of the building would add exposed gables, which are abundant on houses along Valhalla Place.

Trash Enclosure Location

Discuss the trash enclosure location with the architect to determine if it might be better placed nearer to the front of the property where trash pick-up will occur, and at the same time offer a screen to views of the parking lot. Condition as necessary.

REQUIRED FINDINGS FOR APPROVAL

Environmental Review

The project has been determined to be categorically exempt under CMC Section 1.40.220 and pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines Section 15332 (In-Fill Development Projects). Consistent with this exemption, the project is: consistent with the applicable general plan designation, zoning regulations, and general plan policies; is less than five acres in size, substantially surrounded by urban uses; has no habitat value for special status species; will not result in any significant impacts regarding traffic, noise, air quality, or water quality; and can be adequately served by all required utilities and public services.

Architectural Review

According to the Chico Municipal Code Section 19.18.060, the Architectural Review and Historic Preservation Board shall determine whether or not a project adequately meets adopted City standards and design guidelines, based upon the following findings:

1. The proposed development is consistent with the General Plan, any applicable specific plan, and any applicable neighborhood or area plans.

The proposal is consistent with several General Plan policies, including those that encourage compatible infill development (LU-1, LU-4, and CD-5). The single-story construction with residential gestalt is consistent with General Plan policies that encourage compatible infill development (LU-4.2 and LU-4.3), and context-sensitive design (CD-5.2 and CD-5.3). The project also includes low-water use landscaping that will soften the structure and hardscape elements consistent with SUS-4.2. The site is not located within the bounds of a Neighborhood Plan or area plan.

2. The proposed development, including the character, scale, and quality of design are consistent with the purpose/intent of this chapter and any adopted design guidelines.

The project promotes orderly development in that it would occupy a long-vacant parcel in a manner compatible with adjacent residential uses. The building design and scale would be consistent with DGs 1.2.22, 3.2.33, 1.2.13 and 3.2.11. Consistent with DGs 3.2.23, 3.2.28 and 3.1.35, the building entryway would create a sense of focus, wall-mounted utilities would be hidden from view, and the trash area would be appropriately screened. As conditioned, the project would appropriately screen the parking area and cover the bicycle parking area, achieving consistency with DGs 1.1.14 and 1.1.15.

3. The architectural design of structures, including all elevations, materials and colors are visually compatible with surrounding development. Design elements, including screening of equipment, exterior lighting, signs, and awnings, have been incorporated into the project to further ensure its compatibility with the character and uses of adjacent development.

The design, materials and neutral color pallet of the proposed office structure are visually compatible with the surrounding residential and medical office structures. Exterior equipment will be properly screened by fences or painted to match the structures.

4. The location and configuration of structures are compatible with their sites and with surrounding sites and structures, and do not unnecessarily block views from other structures or dominate their surroundings.

The project configuration would not result in incompatibilities with existing adjacent residential uses. Due to its placement toward to the rear of the site the structure may be more visible from adjacent residential rear yards, but its limited overall height (less than 20 feet) will not unnecessarily block views or dominate its surroundings.

5. The general landscape design, including the color, location, size, texture, type, and coverage of plant materials, and provisions for irrigation and maintenance, and protection of landscape elements, have been considered to ensure visual relief, to complement structures, and to provide an attractive environment.

The proposed landscaping will provide visual relief around the site perimeter and will provide adequate parking lot shading. The landscaping will provide a range of seasonally-varied colors and textures that is anticipated to provide an attractive environment throughout the year.

RECOMMENDED CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL

- 1. All building plans shall note on the cover sheet that the project shall comply with AR 16-03 (Dr. Park's Office). The approval documents for this project are date stamped Apr 21, 2016. No building permits related to this approval shall be finaled without authorization of planning staff.
- Provide a structural screen for the parking area, at least 15 feet in length and three to four feet in height, matching the style of the trash enclosure walls. Signage may be allowed on the screen wall, in compliance with City signage regulations.
- 3. Provide a structural cover over the bicycle parking area, or relocate the bicycle parking to a covered location within 20 feet of the front building entrance.
- 4. Replace the white vinyl windows with colored vinyl window frames (not white) that complement the approved color scheme of the office structure.
- All new exterior lighting shall be full cutoff and directed onsite such that no light shines offsite and luminaires are minimally visible from adjacent properties. Parking lot light fixtures shall not exceed a total height measured from grade of 12 feet.

- 6. The proposed landscape plan may be modified as necessary to comply with Low Impact Development (LID) requirements, as promulgated under Chico Municipal Code Section 15.50.
- 7. All wall-mounted utilities and roof or wall penetrations, including vent stacks, utility boxes, exhaust vents, gas meters and similar equipment, shall be screened by appropriate materials and colors. Adequate screening shall be verified by planning staff prior to issuance of a certificate of occupancy.

PUBLIC CONTACT

Public notice requirements are fulfilled by placing a notice on the project site and by posting of the agenda at least 10 days prior to the ARHPB meeting.

ATTACHMENTS

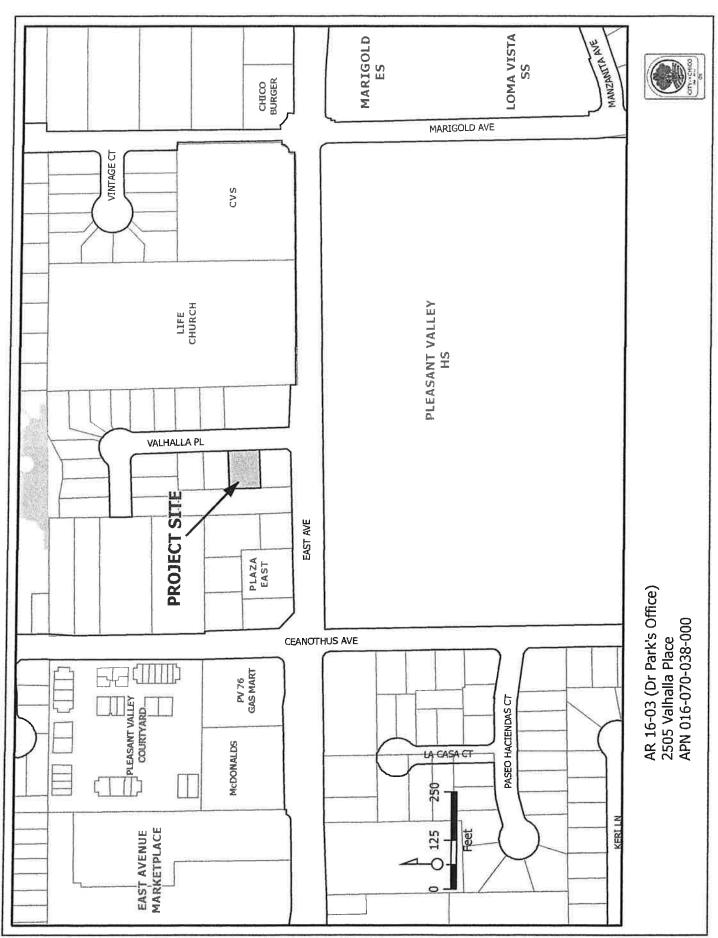
- A. Location Map
- B. Applicant's Project Description
- C. Site Plan
- D. Landscape Plan
- E. Elevations
- F. Colors and Materials
- G. Lighting Details

DISTRIBUTION

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Attachment A



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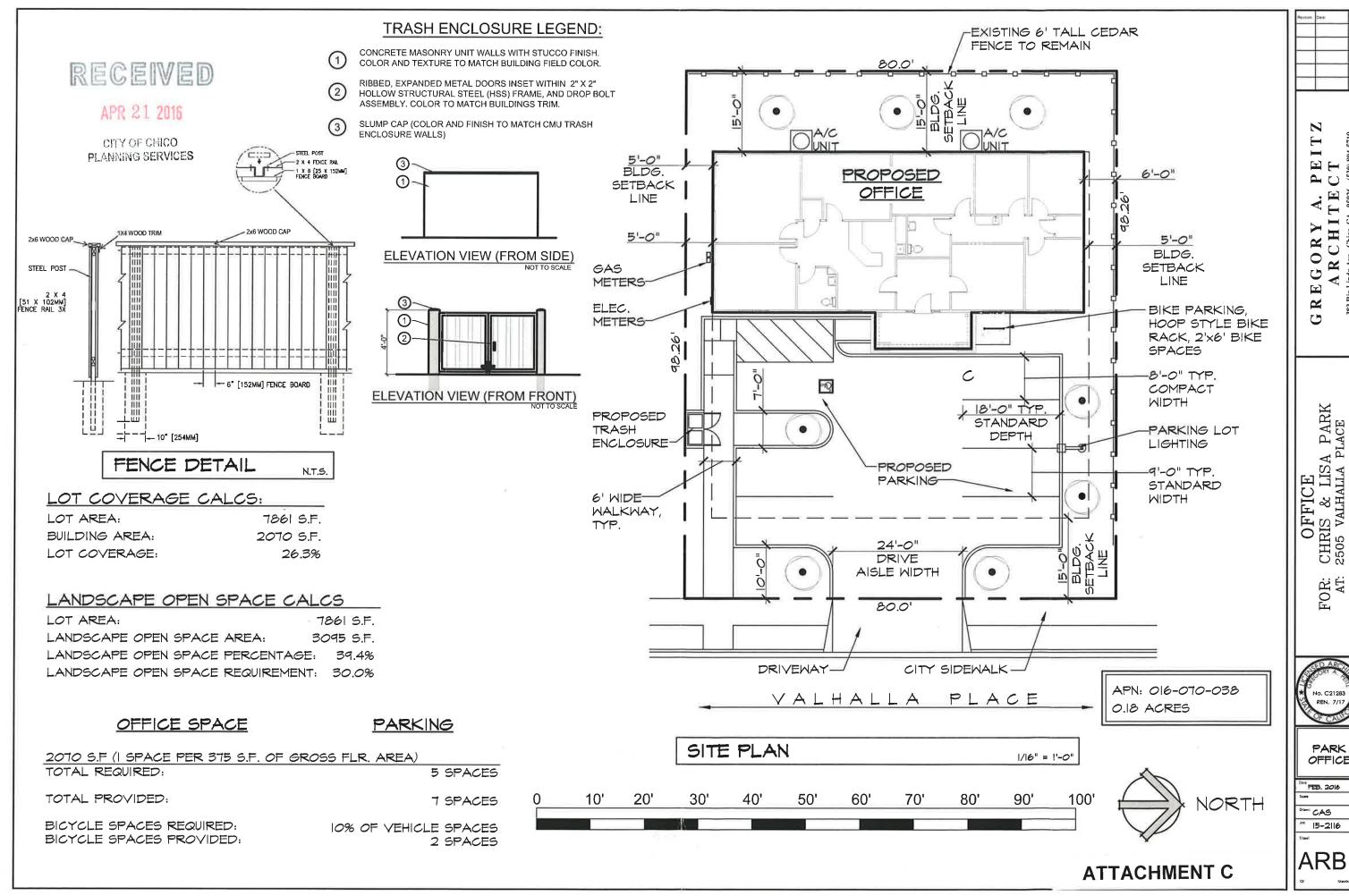
Re: Architectural Review Park Office Building 2505 Valhalla Place

This project is a new professional office building in a mixed use neighborhood with an existing mixture of single family homes, offices, a church and Pleasant Valley High School.

The architecture of the project is intended to blend with the residential feel of the adjacent properties. (DG 3.2.11) The building has roof lines, window styles and porches common to residential buildings, yet are functional in the commercial application. It's relationship to the street and city sidewalk make it an attractive addition to the streetscape and easily accessible to pedestrians. (DG 3.1.34, DG 4.1.52)

Mechanical units will be located on behind the building which will shield them from view. (DG 3.1.35)

The parking will need to be located in the front of the site due to the extremely small size of the parcel. The landscaping has been designed to soften the visual impact of the parking and blend with the front yard landscaping of the adjacent houses. (DG 1.1.14)



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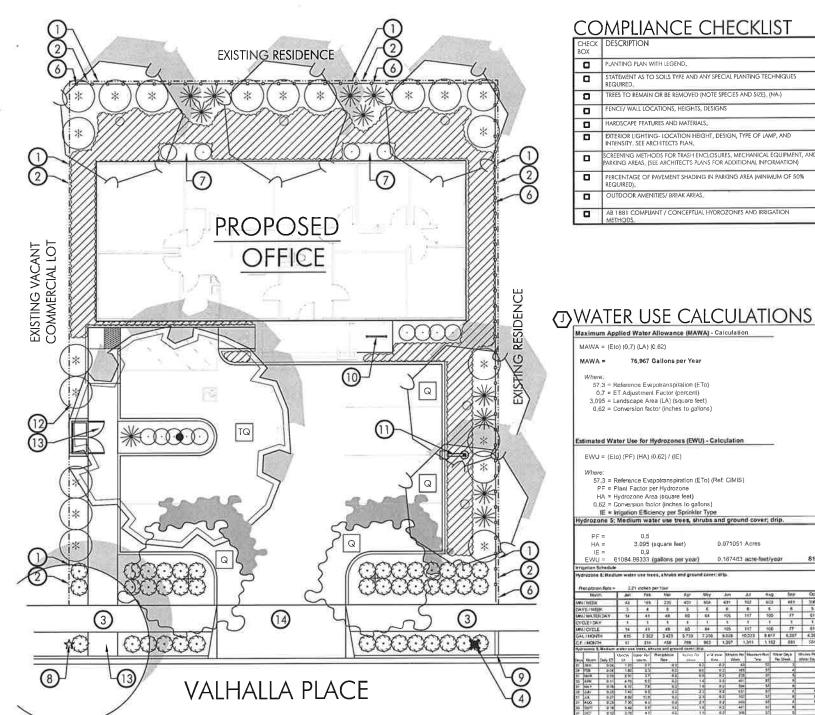
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COMPLIANCE CHECKLIST

MAWA = (E(o) (0.7) (LA) (0.62)

76,967 Gallons per Year

stimated Water Use for Hydrozones (EWU) - Calculation

57.3 = Reference Evapotranspiration (ETo) (Ref: CIMIS)
PF = Plant Factor per Hydrozone

0.071051 Acres

HA = Hydrozone Area (square feet) 0.62 = Conversion factor (inches to gallo

57.3 = Reference Evapotranspiration (ETo) 0.7 = ET Adjustment Factor (percent) 3,095 = Landscape Area (LA) (square feet) 0.62 = Conversion factor (inches to gallons)

MAWA =

CHECK BOX	DESCRIPTION		
0	PLANTING PLAN WITH LEGEND,	(A)	
0	STATEMENT AS TO SOILS TYPE AND ANY SPECIAL PLANTING TECHNIQUES REQUIRED.	B	
0	TREES TO REMAIN OR BE REMOVED (NOTE SPECIES AND SIZE) (NA-)	0	
0	FENCE/ WALL LOCATIONS, HEIGHTS, DESIGNS	0	
0	HARDSCAPE FEATURES AND MATERIALS	(E)	
0	EXTERIOR LIGHTING- LOCATION HEIGHT, DESIGN, TYPE OF LAMP, AND INTENSITY, SEE ARCHITECTS PLAN.		
0	SCREENING METHODS FOR TRASH ENCLOSURES, MECHANICAL EQUIPMENT, AND PARKING AREAS (SEE ARCHITECT'S PLANS FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION)	©	
0	PERCENTAGE OF PAVEMENT SHADING IN PARKING AREA (MINIMUM OF 50% REQUIRED).	⊕	
0	OUTDOOR AMENITIES/ BREAK AREAS	0	
0	AB 1881 COMPLIANT / CONCEPTUAL HYDROZONES AND IRRIGATION	0	

TREE LIST

SYMBOL	LATIN NAME/ COMMON NAME	SPREAD	CONTAINER SIZE
(°)	ARBUTUS UNEDO STRAWBERRY TREE	20	15 GAL
*	ACER RUBRUM 'OCTOBER GLORY' OCTOBER GLORY RED MAPLE	30"	15 GAL
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	PISTACHIA CHINENSIS KEITH DAVIES' SEEDLESS CHINESE PISTACHE	40	15 GAL
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PLAN LEGEND

Ī	SYMBOL	DESCRIPTION
Ì	0	PROPERTY LINE
İ	<u>(2)</u>	LIMIT OF WORK
(E)	<u>3</u>	EXISTING CITY SIDEWALK, TO REMAIN.
-	(4)	EXISTING FIRE HYDRANT
Ì	<u>(5)</u>	NOT USED =
0	6	EXISTING 6' HIGH WOOD FENCE (TO REMAIN)
00	\overline{O}	HVAC LOCATIONS, GROUND MOUNTED, SEE ARCHITECTS PLANS
-	8	CITY STREET TREE, INSTALL WITH ROOT BARRIERS IN ACCORDANCE WITH CITY OF CHICO STANDARD DETAIL
- 1	9	REDWOOD HEADER
0	0	BICYCLE PARKING (INVERTED 'U STYLE, 2 BIKE CAPACITY),
(E)	0	AREA LIGHT, 12 FOOT LUMINERE HEIGHT WITH GLARE CUT OFF AS REQUIRED TO PREVENT LIGHT SPILLAGE ONTO ADJACENT PROPERTY
(E) (G)	12	4 FOOT HIGH ENCLOSURE WITH DOUBLE SWING, LATCHING METAL DOORS FOR TRASH AND RECYCLING BINS, COLORS AND FINISHES TO MATCH BUILDING.
(E)	(3)	CONCRETE WALKWAY
	14	NEW DRIVE CUT. BY OTHERS

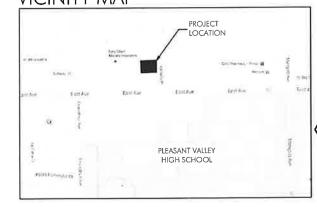
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SYMBOL SHRUBS	LATIN NAME/ COMMON NAME	SPREAD	CONTAINER SIZE	
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*	ARCTOSTAPHYLOS 'HOWARD MCMINN' MCMINN MANZANITA	7'	5 GAL	
0	NANDINA DOMESTICA 'GULF STREAM' GULF STREAM HEAVENLY BAMBOO	3'	1 GAL	
*	DIETES BICOLOR FORTNIGHT LILY	3'	1 GAL	
0	ROSA X 'NOARE' P.P.# 11308 FLOWER CARPET® RED GROUNDCOVER ROSE	31	1 GAL	
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BARK MULCH

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VICINITY MAP



. SHADE CALCULATIONS

DESCRIPTION	SHADE AREA	QUANTITY	TOTAL	PERCENT
TOTAL PARKING AN	D BACK-UP AREA		2,109 SF	
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F FULL	1,256 SF	0	0	0
THREE QUARTER	942 SF	1	942 SF	44,7%
н HALF	628 SF	0	0	0
a QUARTER	314 SF	0	0	0
CRAPE MYRTLE				
FULL	176 SF	0	0	0
THREE QUARTER	132 SF	0	0	0
HALF	88 SF	0	0	0
QUARTER	44 SF	2	88 SF	4.2%
STRAWBERRY TREE				
F FULL	314 SF	0	0	0
THREE QUARTER	235 SF	0	0	0
н HALF	157 SF	0	0	0
Q QUARTER	79 5F	2	158 SF	7,5%
TOTAL SHADE AREA	PROVIDED		1,188 SF	56.3%

PARKING LOT LANDSCAPE

DESCRIPTION	AREA	PERCENT
PARKING LOT PAVING	2,109 SF	
PARKING LOT LANDSCAPE	106 SF	5%

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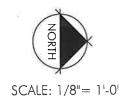
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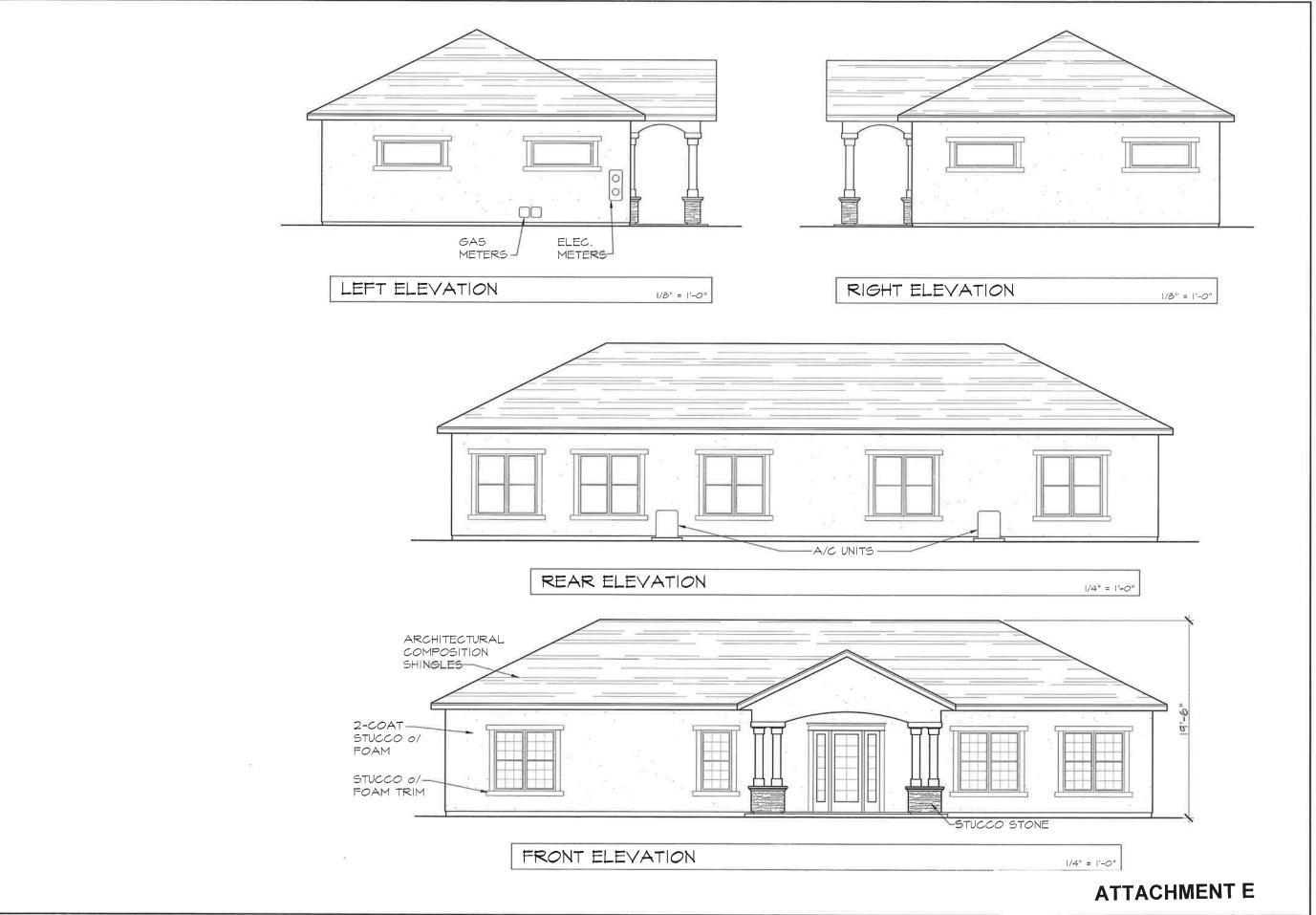




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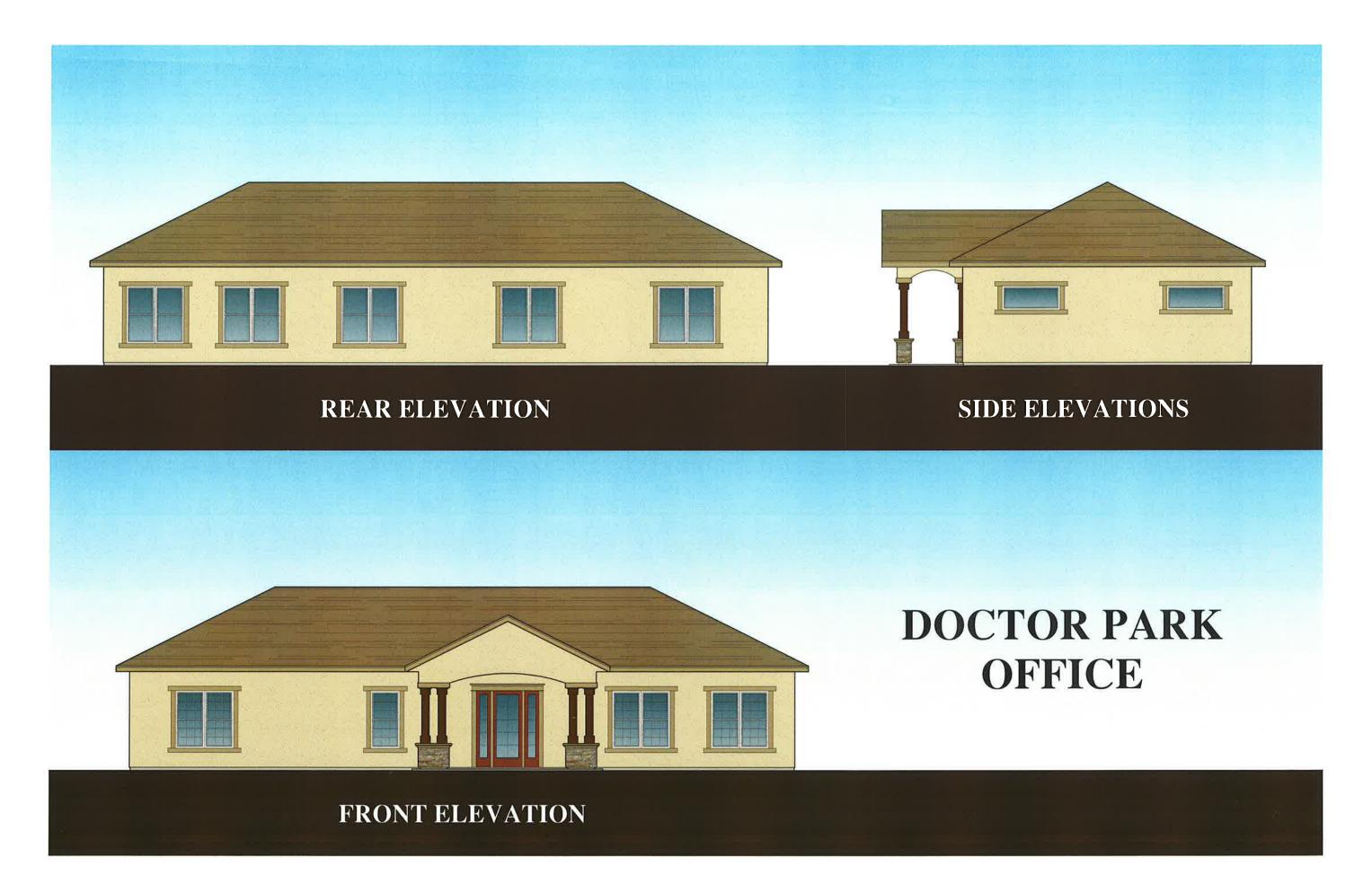
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