January 19, 2016

Design Review Board Members % Thomas R. Mooney, Director City of Miami Beach Planning Department 1700 Convention Center Drive, 2nd Floor Miami Beach, Florida 33139

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Reference: Conditional Use Permit Application

Haddon Hall and Campton Apartments

1500 Collins Avenue and 1455 Washington Avenue

Miami Beach, Florida 33139

Dear Mr. Mooney,

This report provides an analysis of noise and sound impact at the above referenced property in conjunction with the Applicant's request for a conditional use permit for a Neighborhood Impact Establishment. This study is based on two site visits during which we were able to inspect the exterior of the property, take photographs and gather acoustical measurement data for analysis.

Satellite images, architectural drawings, photographs and acoustical measurements in graphic format are provided to support our findings and recommendations. I welcome any comments or questions you or your staff may have pertaining to our sound study and look forward to assisting in any way possible.

Respectfully submitted,

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President









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Property Analysis

The subject properties are 1940 structures located between Collins and Washington Avenues in the 1500 block on two lots totaling approximately 50,000 ft.². The Applicant is seeking a Conditional Use Permit for an outdoor food and beverage establishment to be located along the Washington Avenue façade. The immediately surrounding neighborhood is in great part commercial in nature. Miami-Dade Property Appraiser records are provided as part of our analysis for potential impacts on more distant residential properties. The two most immediately affected properties are located to the north and south of the proposed outdoor garden service establishment, both commercial in nature.

A satellite image of the subject property and surrounding area is provided below showing relationships and distances between nearby properties. Most of those located within the 400-foot radius shown on the map are commercial properties. A distance of 400 feet represents an inverse-square-law attenuation of sound equal to approximately 32 decibels (dB), a significant equivalent acoustical distance between the proposed outdoor garden service venue and any residential properties.

Likely sources of noise will include that of guests accessing the restaurant via the entrance located on Washington Avenue. Hotel guests will gain access to the facility from the east on the hotel property. Trash collection and service deliveries will add to noise but will be restricted as to time of day, with hours of collection to be determined by mutual agreement between the operator and City staff. These service-related activities are likely to occur along the west side of the property. These limitations will help mitigate any potential noise impact on surrounding properties.

Acoustical Data Analysis

Sound level measurements taken along Washington Avenue confirm that the noise of traffic represents the most significant auditory impact on the area. Data was collected on the east and west sides of Washington Avenue. Sound levels are typical of Washington Avenue. The attached 30 minute measurement graph shows the ebb and flow of traffic. The equivalent sound level (LA_{eq}) registered 67.9 dBA with peak levels in excess of 75 dBA common, representing the louder sounds typical of buses and motorcycles which regularly traverse this busy roadway.

Sound generated by the restaurant's music system should be controlled to prevent excessive spill into the environment. The attached sound system specification will ensure that levels will be maintained consistent with the concept of "background music played at a level not to interfere with conversation." Maximum sound levels of 70 dBA will result in sound levels at 300 feet from the restaurant of 40 dBA or less, well below local long-term ambient noises levels (L_{90}) of 57.3 dBA. Traffic noise will provide substantial masking of any music heard at this distance.

Summary

The introduction of the Haddon Hall outdoor garden service establishment to this neighborhood will have no negative noise impact on neighboring properties. The size and scale of the space should not significantly increase activity in the area. Restricted hours of service deliveries and refuse pickup and the constant background noise of traffic will contribute to mitigating any impact that might be envisioned.

In my professional opinion, Haddon Hall's proposed outdoor facility will have no adverse impact nor will it present any violations of the City of Miami Beach's Noise Ordinance.









Haddon Hall Outdoor Sound System Specification

Systems for each outdoor venue shall be designed to fully comply with local noise ordinances, employing several special techniques to accomplish this goal. These techniques include:

- A. Deployment of multiple small, closely spaced speakers driven at low individual volumes. The system design is intended to physically distribute sound uniformly within the listening area in such a manner as not to interfere with normal conversational level of the clientele. Maximum long-term system levels will be limited to LeqA 70 dB/LeqC 80 dB (measured at 10 ft.) with user access restricted to the selection of program material and manual reduction only of system levels. No increase above maximum design sound levels shall be possible.
- B. Size of outdoor speakers shall be limited to small woofers (not to exceed 8" nominal) incapable of producing appreciable levels of low frequency energy, as lower frequencies (longer wavelengths) can travel greater distances than higher frequencies (shorter wavelengths). The lowest frequencies, which are essential to the reproduction of musical styles such as hip-hop and rap, are to be significantly attenuated by electronic means.
- C. A BSS "Soundweb™ London" Digital Signal Processing System (or approved equal), a centralized computer control and digital signal processor, shall form the heart of each system. With this device, the system is equipped with the following functions:
 - 1. All controls under lock and key, with limited access via password security.
 - 2. The system will provide for preset maximum level and equalization.
 - 3. Local control will consist only of source selection and the ability to turn the system down.
 - 4. A leveling program which will minimize the inevitable disparities between source and selection volumes, further ensuring consistent playback levels.
- D. All outdoor speakers shall be oriented in such a way as to minimize sound propagation towards adjacent properties. A combination of ground-mounted and wall-mounted speaker systems shall be permitted as dictated by site conditions. Only the system installers and programmers shall have access to the full complement of controls and adjustments, ensuring compliance with the stated standard. Volume levels will be automated so as not to exceed the <u>specified maximum</u>, <u>predetermined level</u>. Once final adjustments have been made to the system, all controls are to be locked to prevent intentional or inadvertent adjustments.

The system, once completely installed, shall be tested and adjusted under the supervision of Don Washburn of the Audio Bug, Inc. to ensure that all aspects of the system's performance comply with the design intent, City Ordinance and good technical practices.









Instantaneous:

min = 36.6 dB

max = 88.7 dB

Lmean = 63.8 dB

Percentiles:

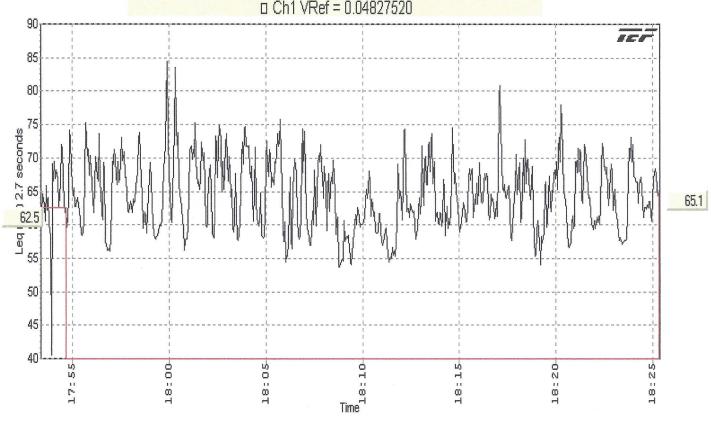
L10 = 70.9 dB

L50 = 63.4 dB

L90 = 57.3 dB

Weighting = A
Lmin = 53.7 dB, Lmax = 84.4 dB, Leq = 67.9 dB between cursors

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Title

Ambient noise measurements on Washington Avenue

Name

Don Washburn, The Audio Bug, Inc.

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Location

1455 Washington Avenue

Description

Data gathered to assess noise for Haddon Hall project



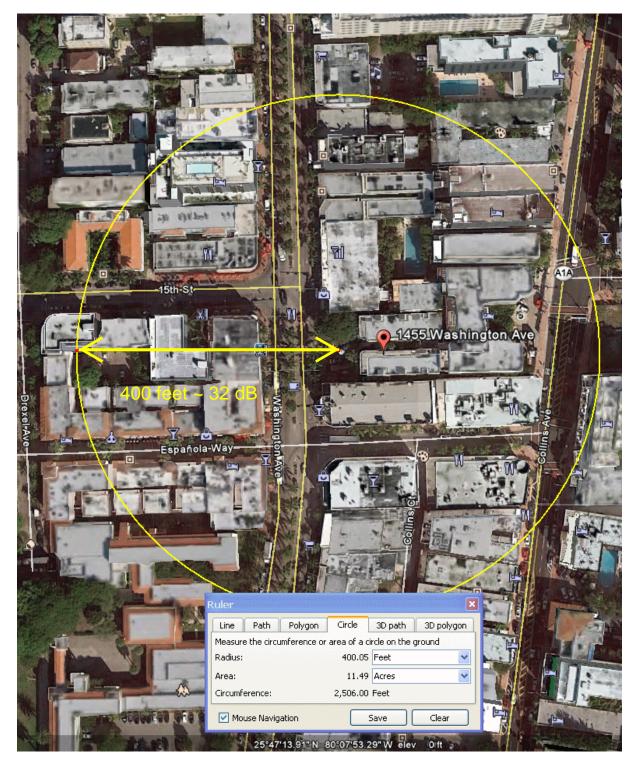






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Satellite image showing 400 ft. radius centered on outdoor venue site. This represents sound attenuation of approximately 32 dB

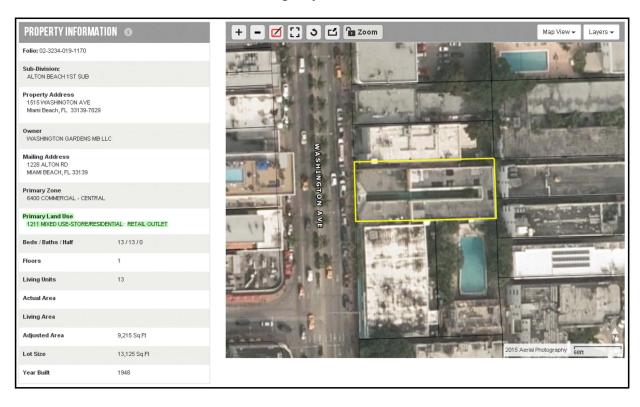


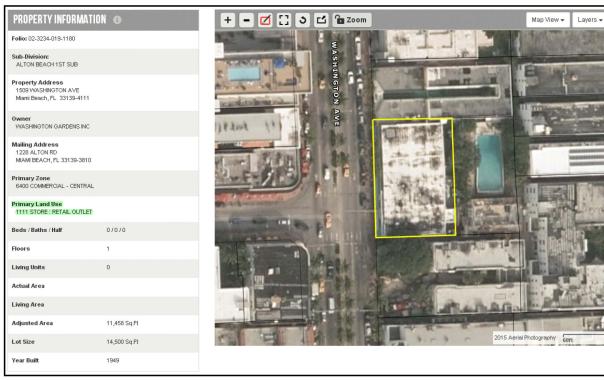










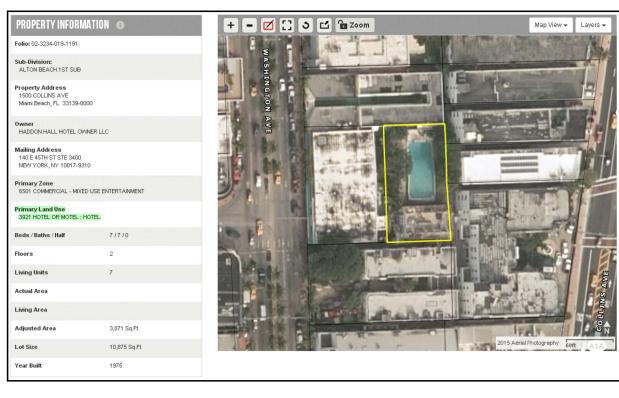




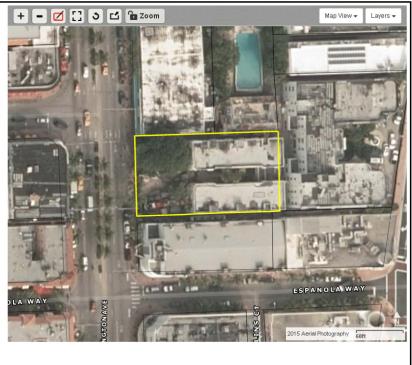










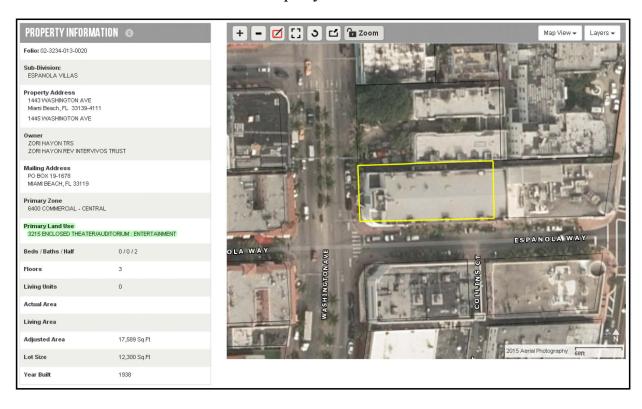














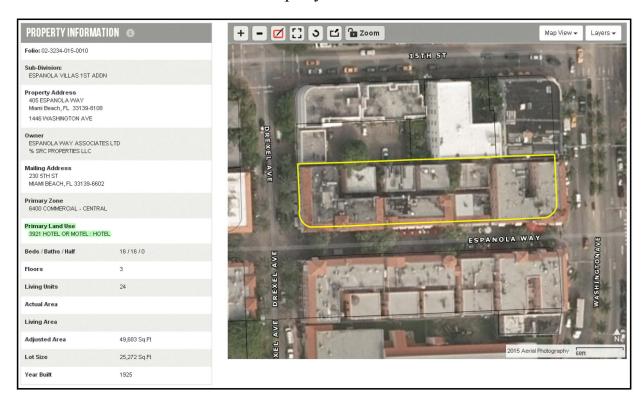


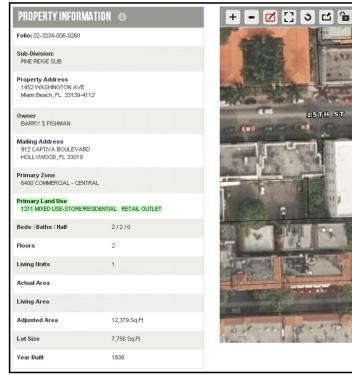


























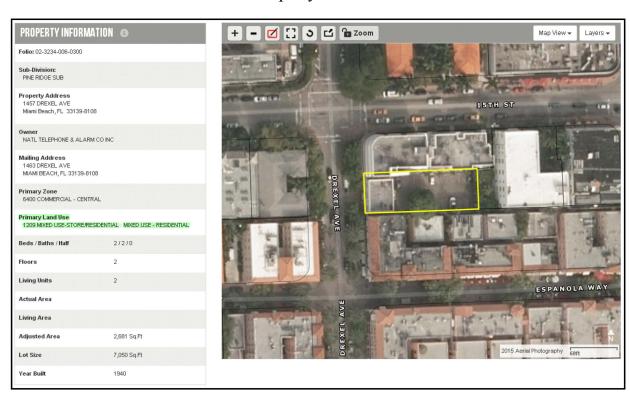


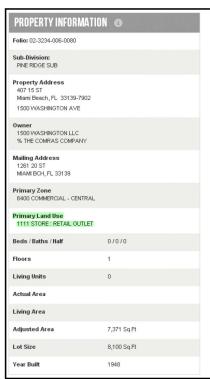


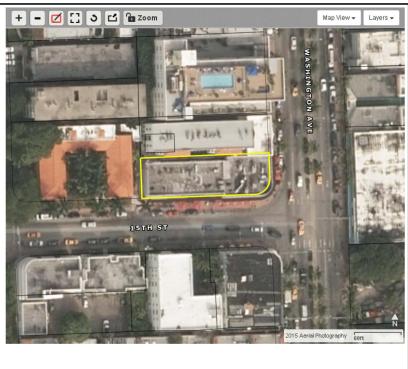










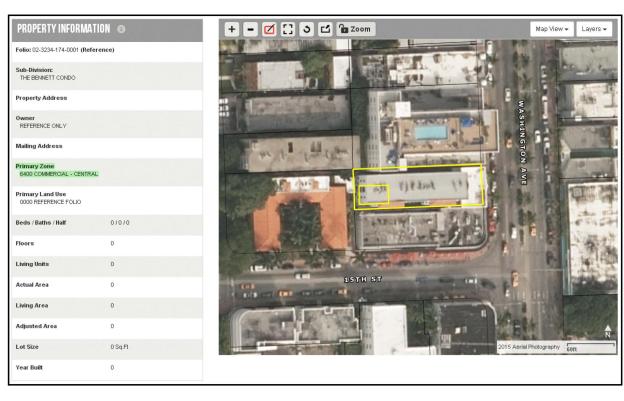




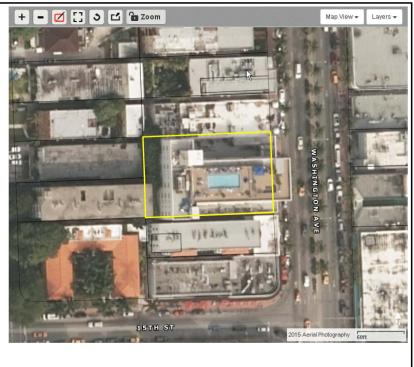










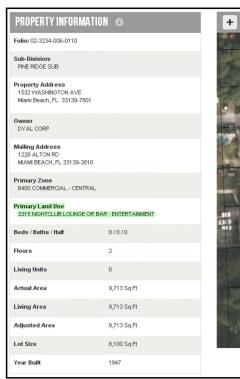


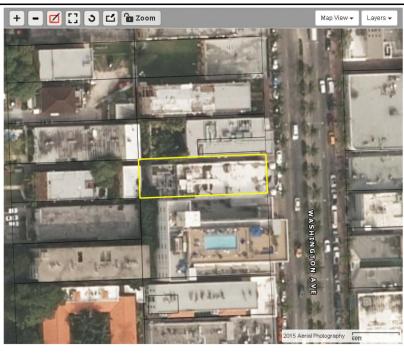


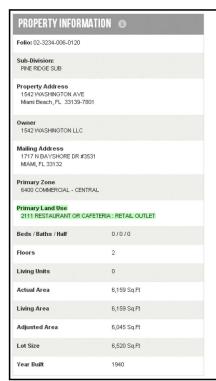












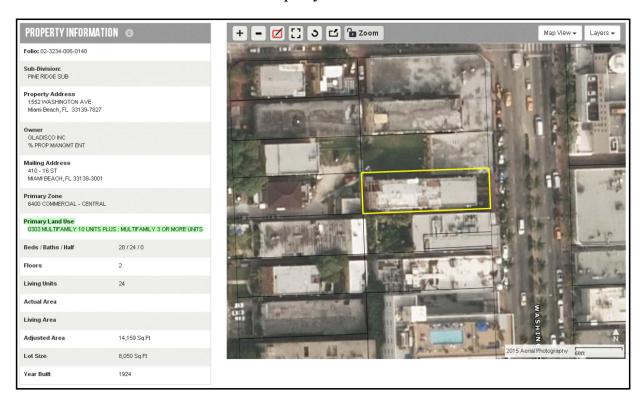


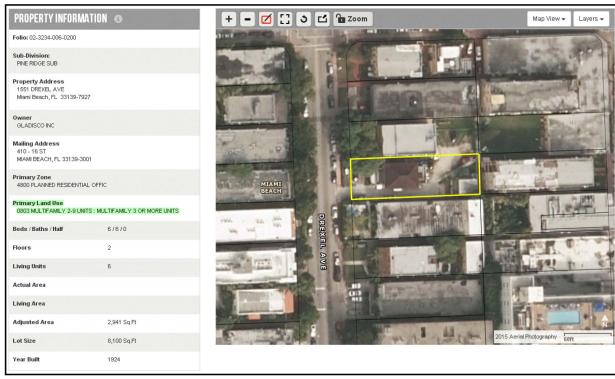










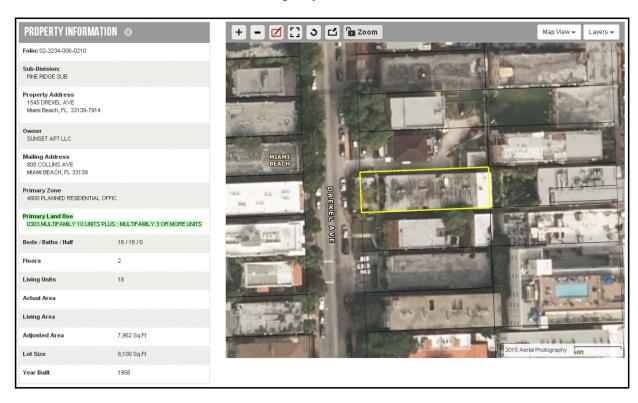


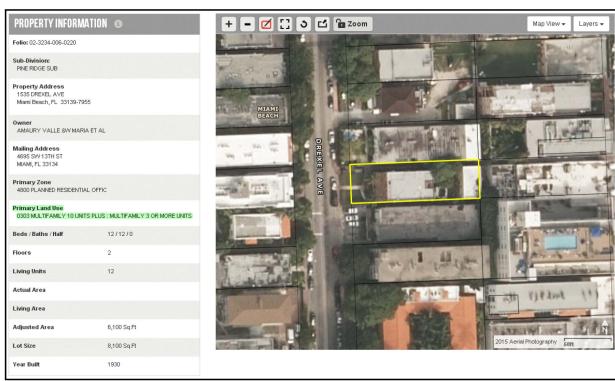










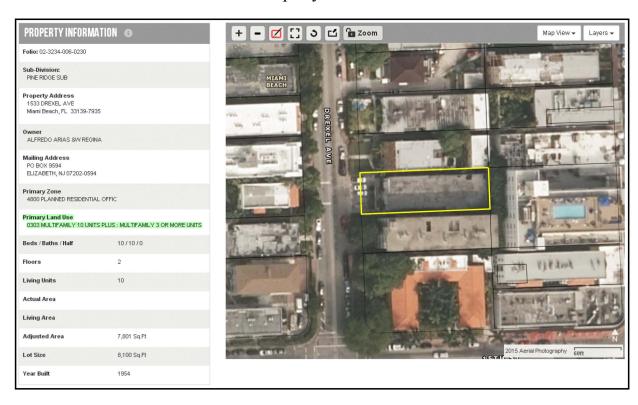


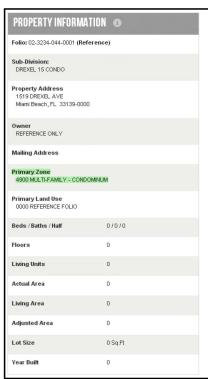


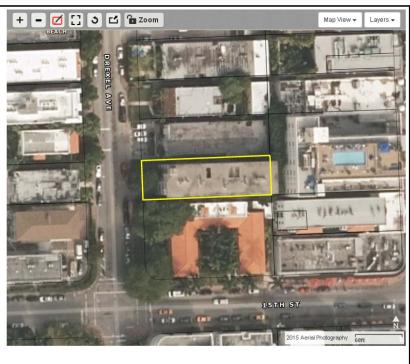










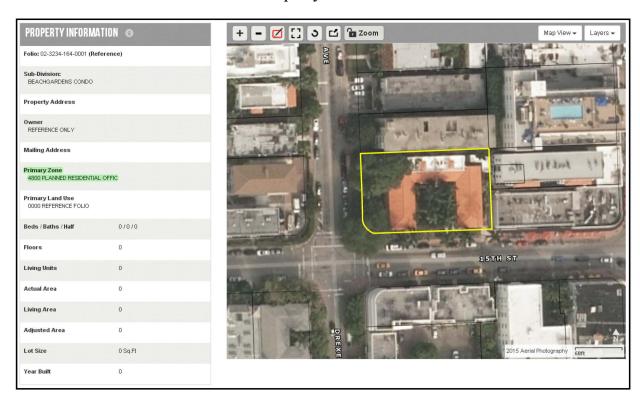










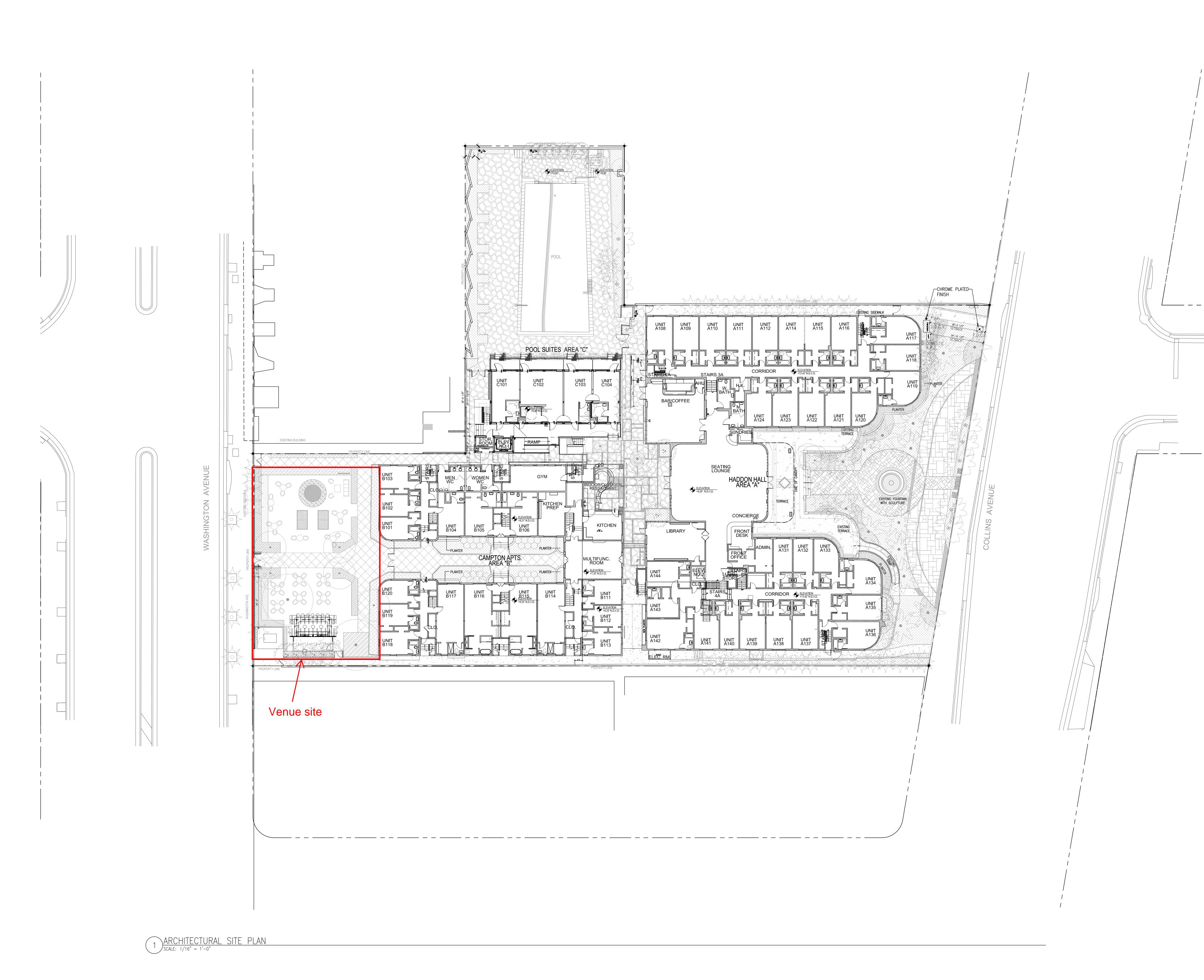












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