

**BOARDS & COMMISSIONS** 

## **APPLICATION**

Application Number \_\_\_\_\_\_Z23-21

132 North Elmwood Avenue 330-722-9038 www.medinaoh.org

GENERAL	Date of Application Property Location Description of Project
T INFORMATION	Applicant           Name           Address         City           State         Zip           Phone         Email
CONTACT	Name
APPLICATION TYPE	Planning Commission       Site Plan       Conditional Zoning Certificate       Code or Map Amendment         Preliminary Plan       Final Plat       Conditional Sign (EMC/Shopping Ctr)       Cert. of Appr. (TCOV)       Other         Historic Preservation Board       Certificate of Appropriateness       Conditional Sign       Conditional Sign         Board of Zoning Appeals       Variance       Appeal       Image: Conditional Sign       Image: Conditional Sign
APPLICANT SIGNATURE	<ul> <li>By signing this application, I hereby certify that:</li> <li>1) The information contained in this application is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge;</li> <li>2) I am authorized to make this application as the property owner of record or I have been authorized to make this application by the property owner of record;</li> <li>3) I assume sole responsibility for correspondence regarding this application; and</li> <li>4) I am aware that all application requirements must be submitted prior to the formal acceptance of my application.</li> <li>Signature Date</li> </ul>
OFFICIAL USE	Zoning DistrictI-1Fee (See Fee Sheet) \$601.75Meeting Date12/14/23Check Box when Fee PaidX



## Z23-21 Drug Mart Warehouse Addition Drive

Property Owner: Isomer Group LLC

Applicant: Dave Pontia

Location: 1035 West Smith Road

Zoning: I-1 (Industrial)

Request: Area Variance to Section 1145.09(a)(3)(A.) to allow a gravel drive in the front yard

### LOCATION AND SURROUNDING USES

The subject site is composed of 18.8 acres located on the north side of West Smith Road. Adjacent properties are zoned I-1 and contain the following uses and zoning:

- North Vacant
- South Industrial and Vacant
- East Industrial
- West Industrial and Vacant



#### PROPOSED APPLICATION

The site currently contains a 74,800 sq. ft. Drug Mart warehouse building with loading docks on the north side of the building. The applicant is proposing a 75,000 sq. ft. warehouse addition to the east side of the existing building.



## DRIVEAY REGULATIONS (SECTION 1145.09(a)(3)(A.))

Section 1145.09(a)(3)(A.) states: Paved parking areas and drives shall extend from the street right-of-way to the rear of the building. Parking areas or drives beyond the rear of the building do not have to be hard surfaced. Compacted gravel, concrete or asphalt may be utilized behind the rear of the building.

The application proposes a fire access drive between the proposed addition and the street right-of-way. The access drive is gravel and does not comply with Section 1145.09(a)(3)(A.). The fire access drive is located approximately 270 ft. from the West Smith Road right-of-way.

The Fire Department has indicated that gravel is an acceptable surface for the fire access drive with a width of at least 24 ft.

#### STANDARDS FOR VARIANCES AND APPEALS (SECTION 1107.08(i))

Factors applicable to area or size-type variances ("practical difficulty"). The applicant shall show by a preponderance of the evidence that the variance is justified, as determined by the Board. The Board shall weigh the following factors to determine whether a practical difficulty exists and an area or size-type variance should be granted:

- A. Whether the property in question will yield a reasonable return or whether there can be any beneficial use of the property without the variance;
- B. Whether the variance is substantial;
- C. Whether the essential character of the neighborhood would be substantially altered or whether adjoining properties would suffer substantial detriment as a result of the variance;
- D. Whether the variance would adversely affect the delivery of governmental services (e.g., water, sewer, garbage);
- E. Whether the property owner purchased the property with knowledge of the zoning restrictions;
- F. Whether the property owner's predicament feasibly can be obviated through some method other than a variance; and/or
- G. Whether the spirit and intent behind the zoning requirement would be observed and substantial justice done by granting a variance.

### APPLICANT'S RESPONSES TO STANDARDS FOR VARIANCES AND APPEALS

The applicant has indicated the following regarding the Standards for Variances and Appeals:

- The variance is not substantial as the gravel drive is located at a great distance from West Smith Road and would not have a visual impact.
- The essential character of the neighborhood would not be altered and adjoining properties would not be affected as the surrounding area is industrial.
- The installation of a gravel drive is more economical for the project and the drive will only be used by the Fire Department in an emergency situation.



## **Discount Drug Mart Warehouse Expansion**

1035 W Smith Rd Medina, OH 44256

Project Narrative and Variance Request:

The project consists of a 75,000 square foot warehouse addition to an existing warehouse building. -Five additional loading docks are being provided with the expansion of the depressed loading dock area and concrete pavement which is located in the rear area of the building. The existing trailer parking that was located on the east and visible from Smith Road has been moved to the rear of the building across from the loading docks and is no longer visible from Smith Road.

A convenience gravel access road along the proposed new addition which faces W Smith Road is to provide access to the existing location of the fire main. This gravel access road is not required or requested by the Fire Department but is being added on the owner's own accord to have easy access for the fire department to reach the fire main. This road is approximately 300 feet from W Smith Road

A variance is being sought for Section 1145.09(a)(3)(A.) to allow the fire main access road to be gravel.

#### FACTORS APPLICABLE TO AREA OR SIZE-TYPE VARIANCES ("PRACTICAL DIFFICULTY")

The applicant shall show by a preponderance of the evidence that the variance is justified, as determined by the Board. The Board shall weigh the following factors to determine whether a practical difficulty exists and an area or size-type variance should be granted:

A. Whether the property in question will yield a reasonable return or whether there can be any beneficial use of the property without the variance;

The property can be used without the variance. The basis of the variance is to provide a drivable surface for the Fire Department to access the Fire Main Line.

B. Whether the variance is substantial; <u>THe gravel drive is approximately 300' from the public main road and would not have</u> any impact visually at that distance.

C. Whether the essential character of the neighborhood would be substantially altered or whether adjoining properties would suffer substantial detriment as a result of the variance; <u>The project is located in an industrial area and would not have an impact on the</u> character of the neighborhood.

D. Whether the variance would adversely affect the delivery of governmental services (e.g., water, sewer, garbage);

There would be no impact.

E. Whether the property owner purchased the property with knowledge of the zoning restrictions; It is unclear if this was a known item at the time of purchase.

F. Whether the property owner's predicament feasibly can be obviated through some method other than a variance; and/or

The drivable surface is being provided solely as an economical way to provide a convenient drivable surface for the fire department.

G. Whether the spirit and intent behind the zoning requirement would be observed and substantial justice done by granting a variance.

The request of this variance would not impact the character of the neighborhood while providing a drivable surface for the Fire Department in the case of any emergency to have clear access to the Fire Main.

## PROJECT NOTES

APPLICATION SUBMITTAL FOR PLANNING COMMISSION SITE PLAN & VARIANCE

# PLANNING COMMISSION SITE PLAN & VARIANCE APPLICATION SUBMITTAL | | -0 | -2023



# WAREHOUSE ADDITION 1035 W SMITH RD MEDINA, OH 44256

## PROJECT TEAM

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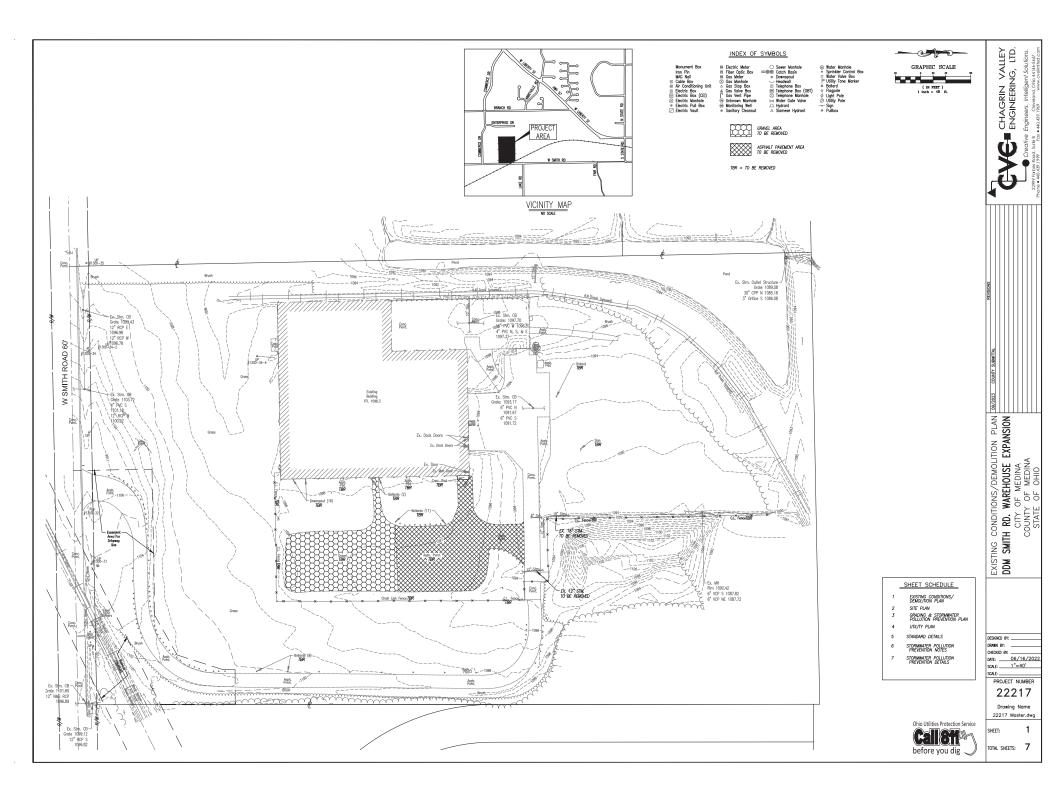
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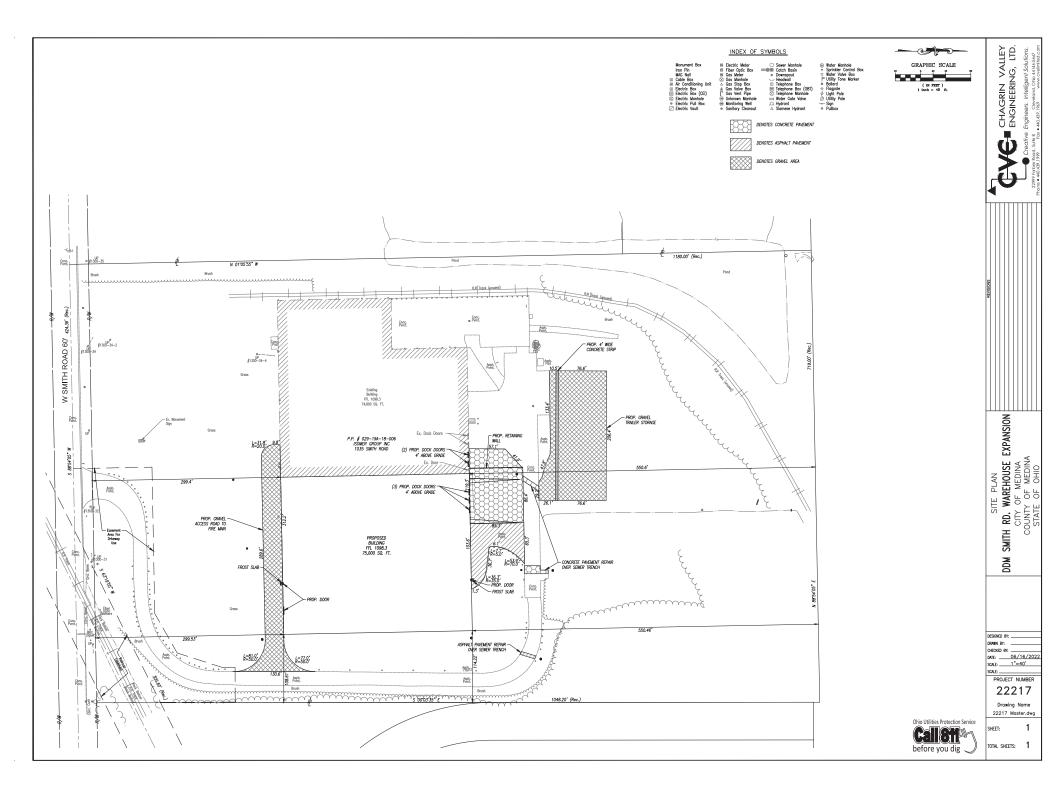
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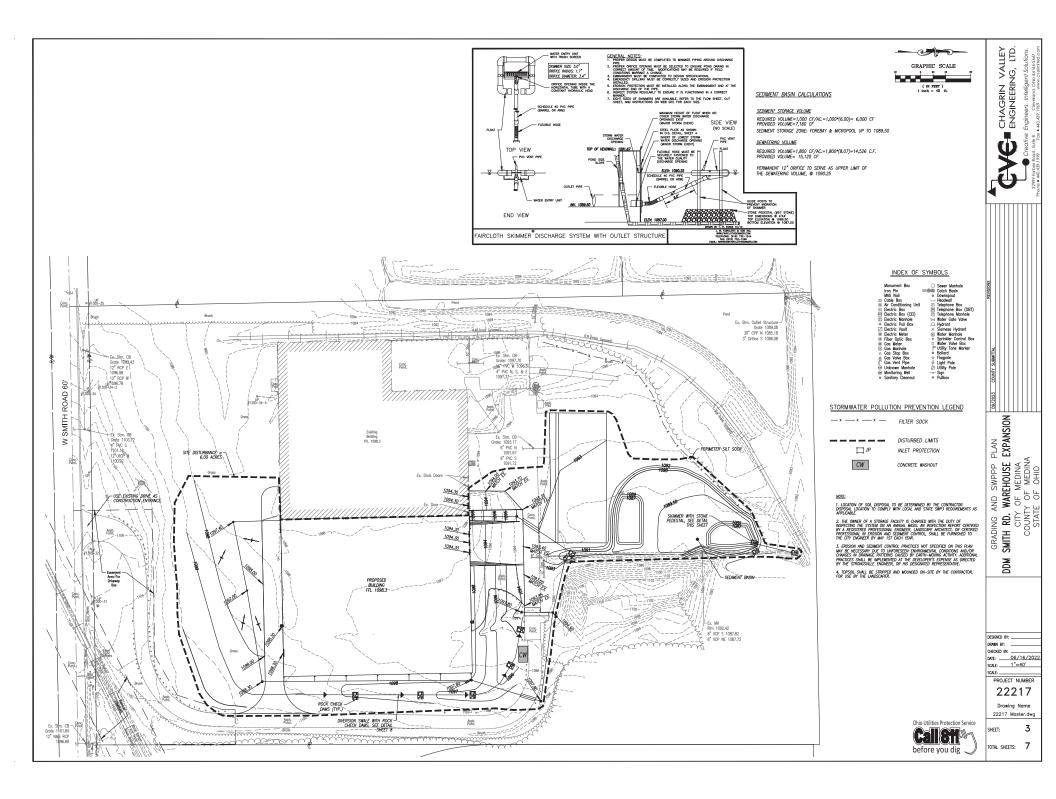
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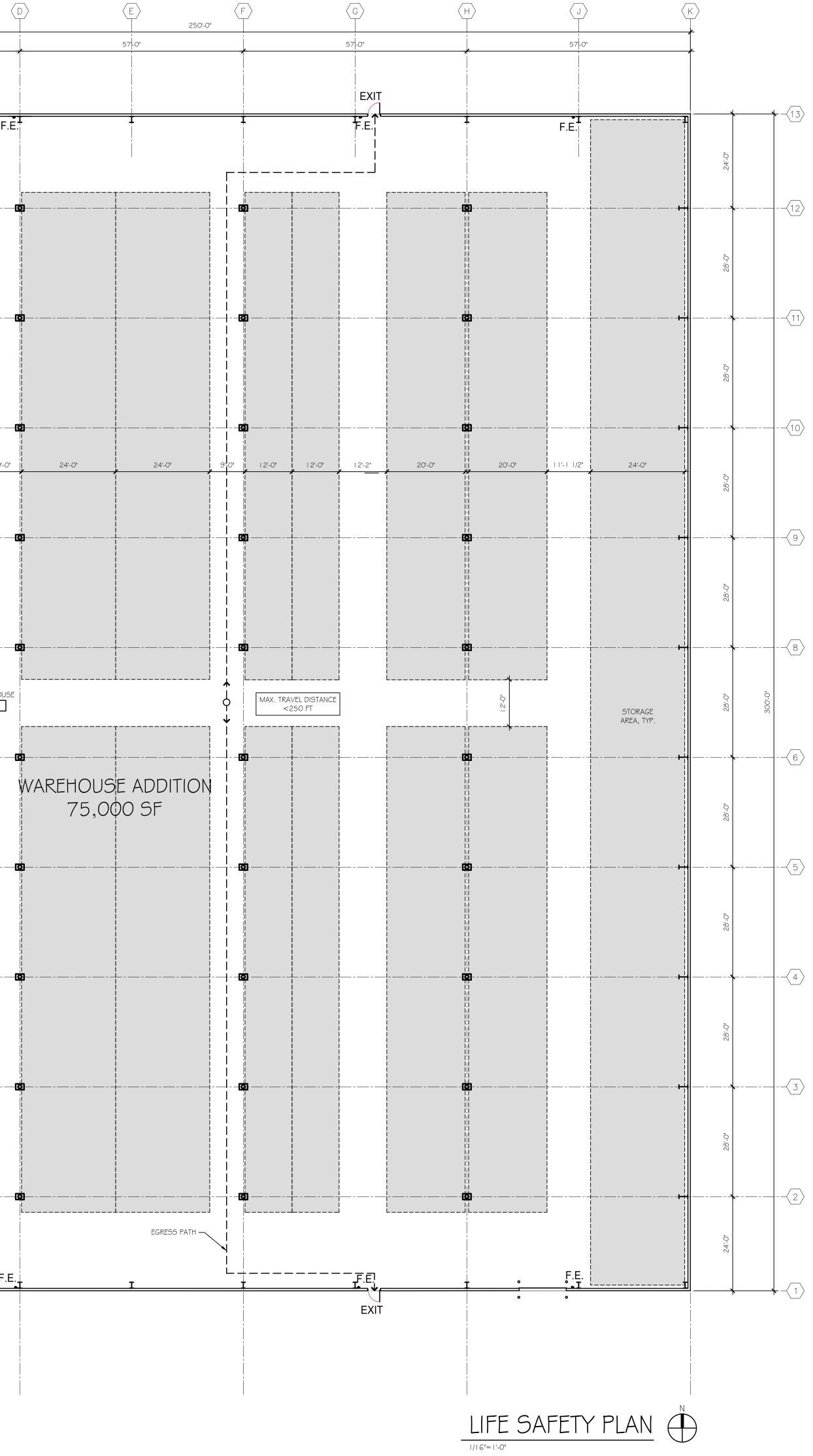
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## FIRE EXTINGUISHERS

PORTABLE FIRE EXTINGUISHERS HAVING A GROSS WEIGHT NOT EXCEEDING 40 LBS SHALL BE INSTALLED SO THAT THEIR TOPS ARE NOT MORE THAN 60" A.F.F.

HAND-HELD PORTABLE FIRE EXTINGUISHERS HAVING A GROSS WEIGHT EXCEEDING 40 LBS SHALL BE INSTALLED SO THAT THEIR TOPS ARE NOT MORE THAN 42" A.F.F.



HAND-HELD PORTABLE FIRE EXTINGUISHERS, NOT HOUSED IN CABINETS, SHALL BE INSTALLED ON THE HANGERS OR BRACKETS SUPPLIED. HANGERS OR BRACKETS SHALL BE SECURELY ANCHORED TO THE MOUNTING SURFACE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE MFGR.'S INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS.



DAVID PONTIA, #9310464 EXPIRATION DATE 12/31/2023





SHEET TITLE OVERALL BUILDING

FLOOR PLAN/ LIFE SAFETY PLAN

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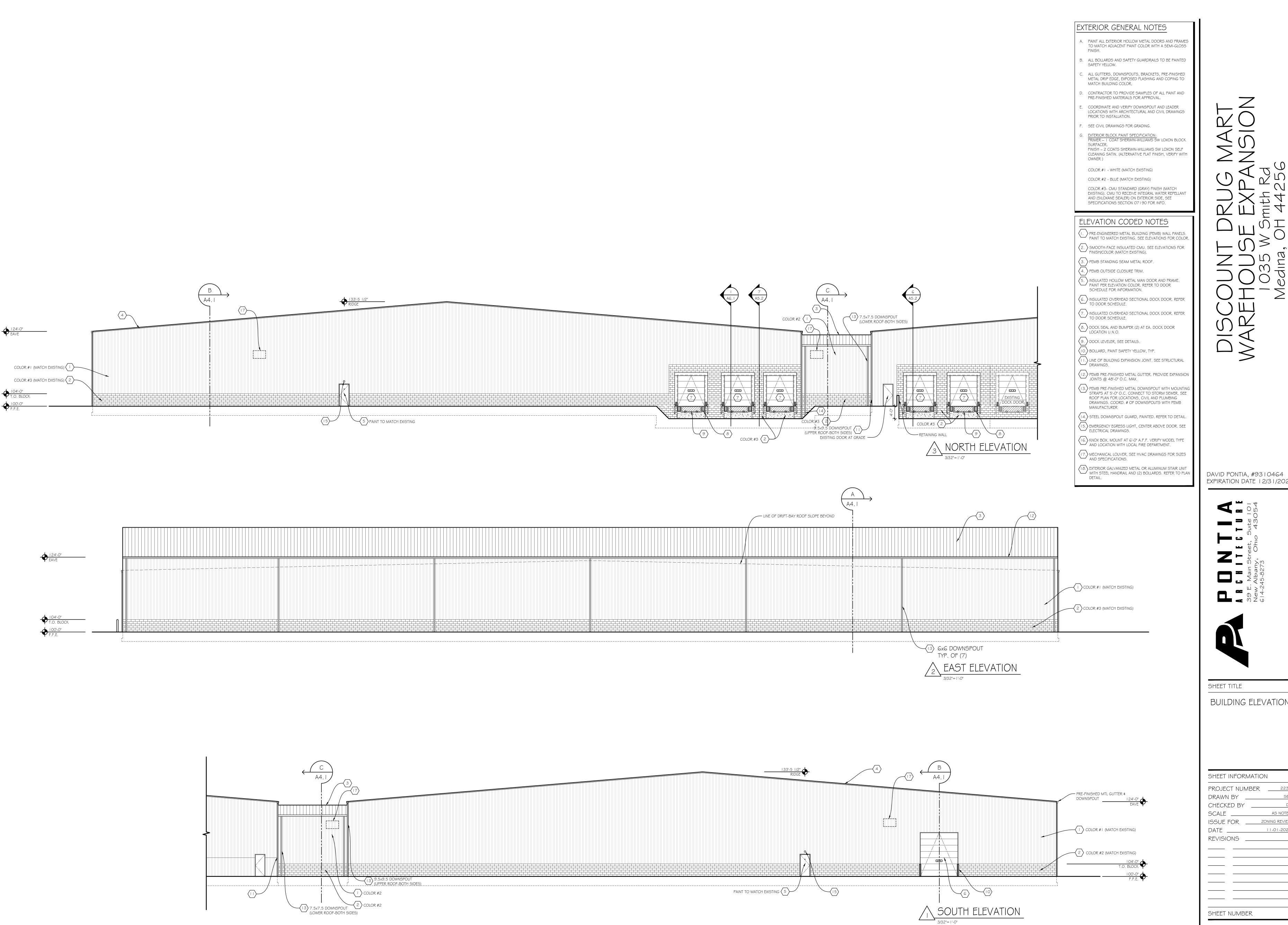
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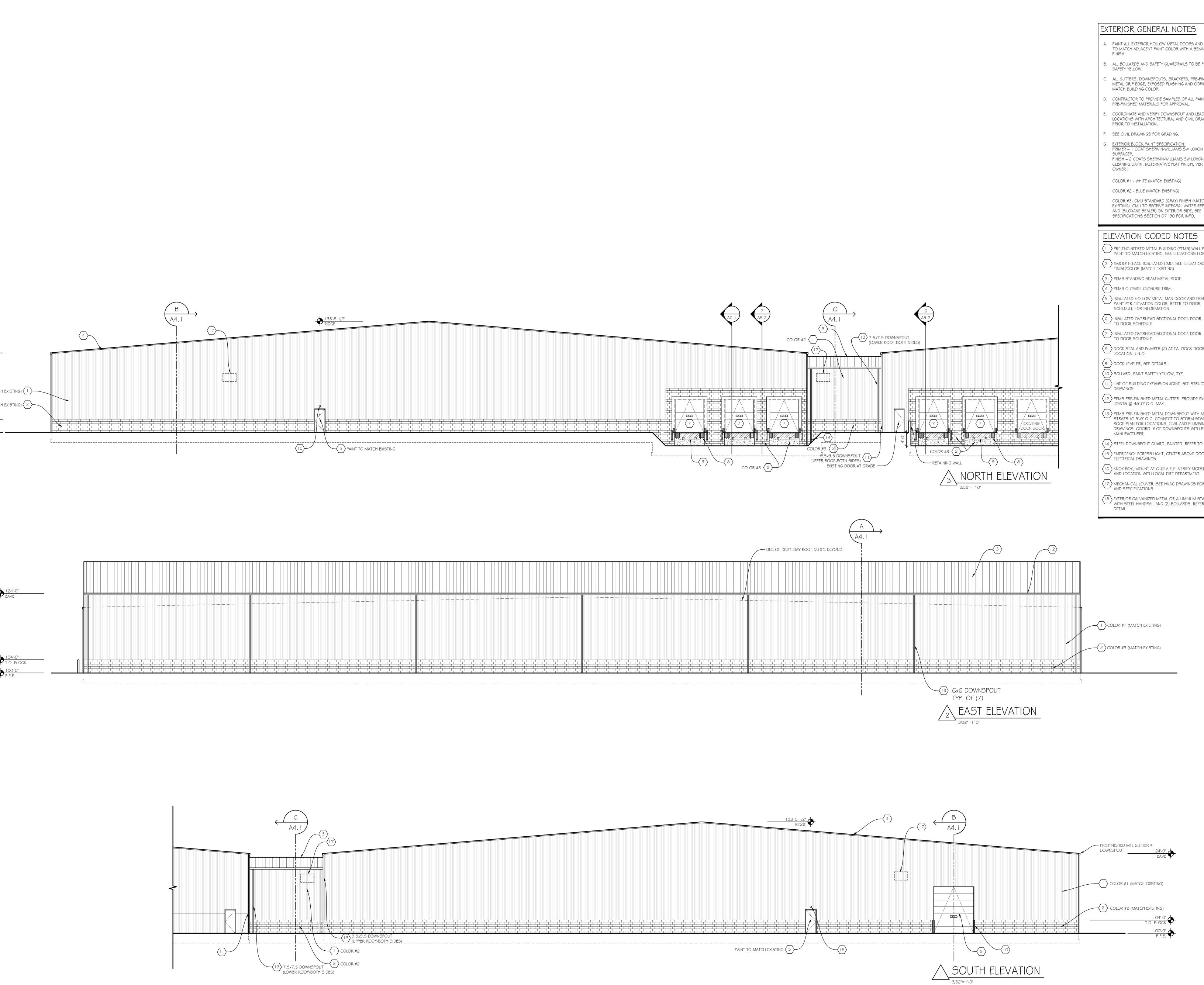
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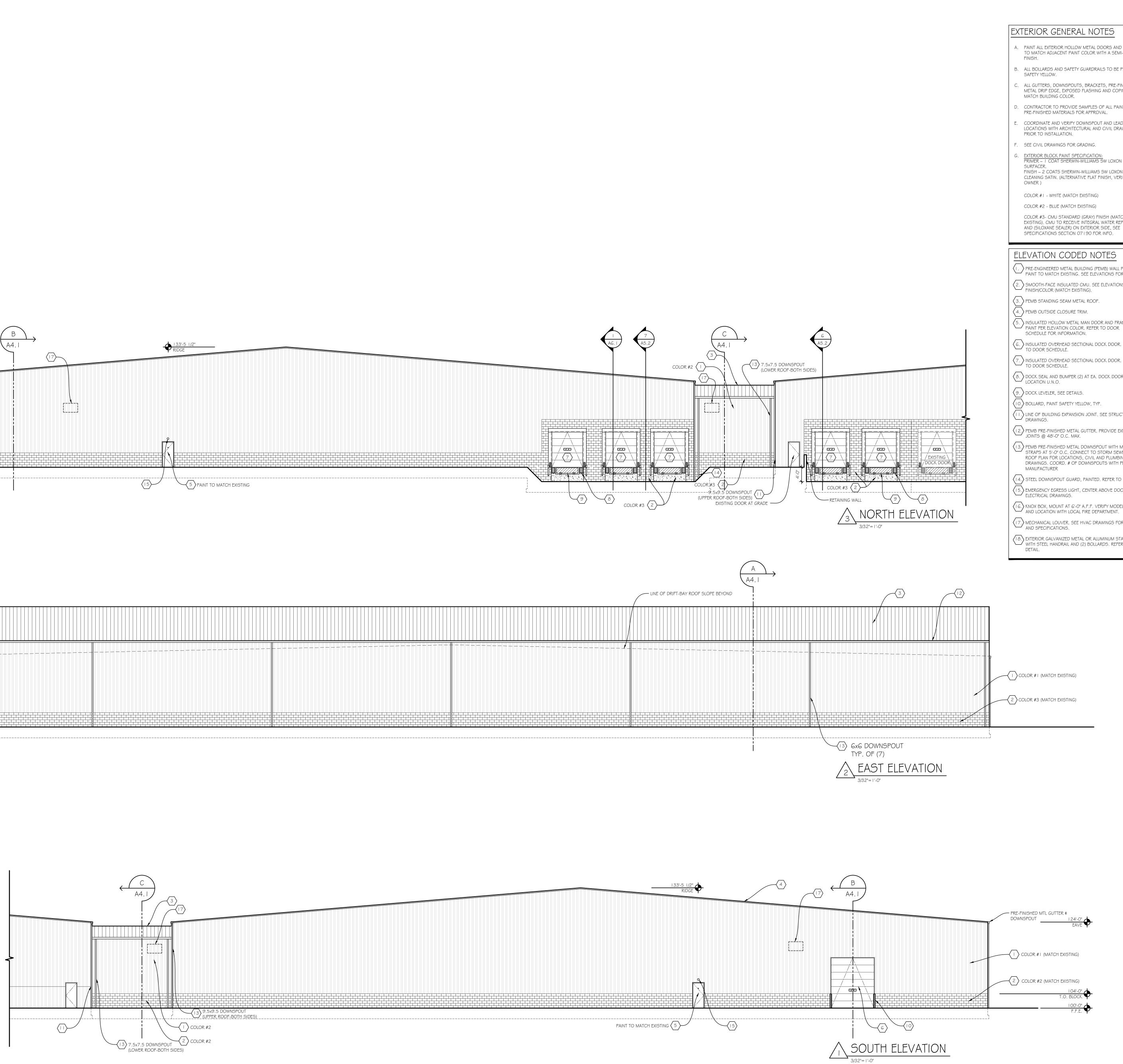
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