

New Albany Board of Zoning Appeals Meeting Agenda

November 25, 2024 at 6:30 pm

Members of the public must attend the meeting in-person to participate and provide comments at New Albany Village Hall at 99 West Main Street. The meeting will be streamed for viewing purposes only via the city's website at <u>https://newalbanyohio.org/answers/streaming-meetings/</u>

- I. Call to order
- II. Roll call
- **III.** Action on minutes October 28, 2024
- IV. Additions or corrections to the agenda Administer oath to all witnesses/applicants/staff who plan to speak regarding an application on tonight's agenda. "Do you swear to tell the truth and nothing but the truth."

V. Hearing of visitors for items not on tonight's agenda

VI. Cases

VAR-65-2024 Variance

Variance to codified ordinance 1169 relating to the size and quantity of signage for QTS located at 1235 and 1225 Beech Road SW (094-106404-00.011 and 094-106404-00.010). Applicant: SNHA A Woolpert Company c/o Alex Zimmerman

Motion to accept the staff reports and related documents into the record for - VAR-65-2024.

Motion to approve application VAR-65-2024 based on the findings in the staff report with the conditions listed in the staff report, subject to staff approval.

VII. Other business

VIII. Poll members for comment

IX. Adjournment



New Albany Board of Zoning Appeals DRAFT Meeting Minutes, October 28, 2024

I. Call to order

The New Albany Board of Zoning Appeals held a regular meeting on Monday, October 28, 2024 in the New Albany Village Hall. Chair LaJeunesse called the meeting to order at 6:28 p.m. and asked to hear the roll.

II. Roll call

Those answering the roll:

Chair LaJeunesse	present
Mr. Schell	present
Mr. Jacob	present
Ms. Samuels	present
Mr. Smith	present
Council Member Wiltrout	present

Having all voting members present, the board had a quorum to transact business.

Staff members present: Planner Blackburn, Planning Manager Mayer, Deputy Clerk Madriguera.

III. Action on minutes August 26, 2024

Chair LaJeunesse asked if there were any corrections to the August 26, 2024 minutes.

Hearing none, Board Member Jacob moved to approve the minutes from the August 26, 2024 meeting. Board Member Schell seconded the motion.

Upon roll call: Mr. Jacob yes, Mr. Schell yes, Ms. Samuels yes, Mr. Smith yes, Mr. LaJeunesse yes. Having five yes votes, the August 26, 2024 meeting minutes were approved as submitted.

IV. Additions or corrections to the agenda

Chair LaJeunesse administered the following oath to Applicant Rebecca Green, "Do you swear to tell the truth and nothing but the truth."

Chair LaJeunesse asked if there were any additions or corrections to the agenda.

Planning Manager Mayer answered none from staff.

V. Hearing of visitors for items not on tonight's agenda

Chair LaJeunesse asked if there were any visitors present who wished to address the board for an item not on the agenda.

Hearing none, Chair LaJeunesse introduced the only case and asked to hear the staff report.

VI. Cases

VAR-74-2024 Variance

Variance to codified ordinance 1169.16(d) relating to the size of signage and sign relief for Pharmavite located at 13700 Jug Street (095-111756-00.012). Applicant: Zoning Resources c/o Rebecca Green

Planner Blackburn delivered the staff report.

Chair LaJeunesse asked for questions from the board. Hearing none, he invited the applicant to address the board on the application.

Applicant Green spoke in support of the requested variances. She explained that the size of the building was the reason for the request to increase the size of the sign, and that there was plenty of precedent in the business park for a sign of this size and proportion. She further explained that because of the building's distance from the road the sign relief request was minimal, that the metallic finish would provide visual contrast, and sourcing materials for 1-inch relief is more complex and costly. And regarding the size request, there was plenty of precedent in the business park and the proposed sign, if approved, would be less than 1% of the size of the building.

Chair LaJeunesse asked staff whether this request was in line with prior requests.

Planning Manager Mayer answered that it absolutely was. He further explained that this request falls within the range proposed in the sign-code update which was scheduled for discussion under Other business.

Chair LaJeunesse asked staff for the size of the largest sign request.

Planner Saumenig responded that it was Amazon. The requested sign was 297 square feet, which was approved.

Council Member Wiltrout asked about the relief request. More specifically whether there had been precedent for requests for changes in materials and relief. She further asked why the applicant could not provide the materials required by the code.

Planning Manager Mayer responded that staff could not find precedent for a reduction of relief request and had nonetheless determined that this is not a substantial request. He deferred to the applicant regarding acquisition of the materials required by code.

Ms. Green responded that the materials are difficult to acquire and in lieu of them they would like to use aluminum on the letters.

Board Member Samuels asked staff about the materials used to achieve the relief requirement, and asked the applicant why compliant materials could not be used.

Planning Manager Mayer responded that it was usually a mixture of materials and that typically pegs are used.

Ms. Green responded that she was unsure why pegs could not be used but was willing to find out.

Board Member Smith asked the applicant what the primary use for the sign was, was it for building identification and/or for trucks?

Ms. Green responded that the sign was intended to mark the front of the building.

Board Member Schell asked whether thickness/relief was an issue that would be addressed in the City Code Amendment Workshop.

Planning Manager Mayer answered that there have been relatively few requests to change the thickness of the signs and as a result, staff was not proposing any changes to the relief provisions.

Chair LaJeunesse asked if there were any further questions on the application.

Hearing none, Board Member Smith moved to accept the staff reports and related documents into the record for VAR-74-2024. Board Member Samuels seconded the motion.

Upon roll call: Mr. Smith yes, Ms. Samuels yes, Mr. Jacob yes, Mr. LaJeunesse yes, Mr. Schell yes. Having five yes votes, the motion passed and the staff reports and related documents were accepted into the record for VAR-74-2024.

Board Member Samuels requested that the variances, A and B, be voted upon separately.

Chair LaJeunesse and the board agreed with this request.

Chair LaJeunesse moved for approval of VAR-74-2024A based on the findings in the staff report with the conditions in the staff report, subject to staff approval. Board Member Smith seconded the motion.

Upon roll call: Mr. LaJeunesse yes, Mr. Smith yes, Mr. Jacob yes, Ms. Samuels yes, Mr. Schell yes. Having five yes votes, the motion passed and VAR-74-2024A was approved.

Board Member Schell moved for approval of VAR-74-2024B based on the findings in the staff report with the conditions in the staff report, subject to staff approval. Board Member Smith seconded the motion.

Upon roll call: Mr. Schell yes, Mr. Smith yes, Mr. Jacob no, Ms. Samuels no, Mr. LaJeunesse yes. Having three yes votes and two no votes, the motion passed 3-2, and VAR-74-2024B was approved.

Board Member Samuels explained that she voted no because the code was created with the intent for uniformity and rationale behind it. and hearing the applicant's reasons for the request – cost and lack of materials without further details and with insufficient precedent supporting the request, she could not make the findings required to grant this variance.

Board Member Jacob agreed with Board Member Samuels' reasons and further explained that he voted no because he is not comfortable establishing this precedent at this time in the business park at this time. He would be happy to revisit this issue down the road, but he could not make the findings required to grant this variance.

Chair LaJeunesse and the board thanked the applicant and wished her good luck.

VII. Other business

City Code Amendment Workshop: C.O. 1169 Sign Regulations Update

Planner Saumenig discussed the proposed amendments to C.O. 1169, New Albany's sign regulations provisions.

Chair LaJeunesse asked who was part of the discussion and development of this recommended update, whether it was staff only or whether others were involved.

Planning Manager Mayer responded that it was staff only and it arose as a result of numerous requests over recent years. This update would not address all requests in the business park but would be more on par with the current users.

Chair LaJeunesse remarked that what he did not see were code provisions regarding color and he asked whether the city has such code provisions.

Planning Manager Mayer answered yes, the provisions regarding color are in a separate area of the code. The code puts the maximum amount of colors at four, including black and white.

Board Member Samuels noted that there was no specification for logos and asked whether included in the maximum lettering height. Further, she whether this proposed increase would address all prior variance requests.

Planner Saumenig explained that staff concluded that keeping the current language, which is silent on logos, was best. She further explained that staff interprets the current language so as to permit separate evaluation of logos and would continue to do so under this new language, if approved.

Board Member Smith remarked that even with this update, there are still two sign size increase requests the board would have heard over the past five years.

Planner Saumenig agreed.

Board Member Samuels asked how the board can formally and informally support future board members in terms of consistency [regarding 1% of the building size] in their consideration of such requests.

Planning Manager Mayer responded that staff will track requests internally and provide support by including some history of the surrounding area and similar requests to future board members.

Chair LaJeunesse discussed the sign relief issue. He noted that the proposed code update did not include amendments to the relief provisions, and he and asked for the reasons supporting code provisions regarding sign relief.

Planning Manager Mayer responded that the 1-inch relief provisions are intended to add more dimension and visual quality to the building. They are intended to encourage unique and vibrant signage. He added that the city does not have many aluminum signs, and for that reason they did not view the request as substantial.

Board Member Samuels remarked that she would be in favor of an amendment permitting a range of relief from $\frac{1}{2}$ - 1-inch relief, but was concerned about requests to simply paint the building and make the sign flush with the building.

Attendance of Members Rule Update - Amendments to C.O. 159.02(d)

Planning Manager Mayer presented the update. He explained that this is intended to provide city council with the discretion to determine whether the board member has forfeited their board appointment.

Board Member Jacob confirmed that the notification would be to the Clerk of Council, and not the Deputy Clerk.

Planning Manager Mayer confirmed Board Member Jacob's understanding. The applicable department designee would notify Jennifer Mason, the Clerk of Council.

Chair LaJeunesse asked for further comments or questions. Hearing none, he thanked staff for the update.

VIII. Adjournment

Chair LaJeunesse asked if there was any further business before the board.

Hearing none, Board Member Smith moved to adjourn the October 28, 2024 meeting of the New Albany Board of Zoning Appeals. Board Member Jacob seconded the motion.

Upon roll call: Mr. Smith yes, Mr. Jacob yes, Mr. LaJeunesse yes, Mr. Schell yes, Ms. Samuels yes. Having five yes votes, the motion passed and the October 28, 2024 meeting was adjourned.

Submitted by: Deputy Clerk Madriguera, Esq.

Appendix VAR-74-2024 Staff Report Record of Action



Board of Zoning Appeals Staff Report October 28, 2024 Meeting

PHARMAVITE SIGN VARIANCE

LOCATION: APPLICANT: REQUEST:	13700 Jug Street (PID: 095-111756-00.012)Columbus Sign Company / Zoning Resources c/o Rebecca Green(A) Variance to C.O. 1169.16(d) to allow the size of a wall sign to be143.6 square feet where code permits a maximum of 75 square feet.
	(B) Variance to C.O. 1169.16(d) to allow the sign relief to be at $\frac{1}{2}$ inch where code requires a minimum of 1 inch.
ZONING: STRATEGIC PLAN: APPLICATION:	Limited General Employment (L-GE) Jug Street North Limitation Text Employment Center VAR-74-2024

Review based on: Application materials received September 14, 2024.

Staff report prepared by Kylie Blackburn, Planner

I. REQUEST AND BACKGROUND

The applicant requests the following variances related to a new sign for the Pharmavite building located in the New Albany International Business Park.

- (A) Variance to C.O. 1169.16(d) to allow the size of the wall sign to be 143.6 square feet where code permits a maximum of 75 square feet.
- (B) Variance to C.O. 1169.16(d) to allow the sign relief to be at ½ inch where code requires a minimum of 1 inch.

II. SITE DESCRIPTION & USE

The Pharmavite building is located northwest of the Jug Street and Harrison Road intersection. The structure spans approximately 720 feet in width and reaches a height of 30 feet, with its primary facade oriented towards Jug Street. It encompasses a total floor area of 219,968 square feet and is setback approximately 550 feet from the public right-of-way. The property is 41.7 +/- acres, located in the New Albany International Business Park, and is surrounded by similarly zoned and used properties.

III. EVALUATION

The application complies with application submittal requirements in C.O. 1113.03, and is considered complete. The property owners within 200 feet of the property in question have been notified.

Criteria

The standard for granting of an area variance is set forth in the case of Duncan v. Village of Middlefield, 23 Ohio St.3d 83 (1986). The Board must examine the following factors when deciding whether to grant a landowner an area variance:

All of the factors should be considered and no single factor is dispositive. The key to whether an area variance should be granted to a property owner under the "practical difficulties" standard is whether the area zoning requirement, as applied to the property owner in question, is reasonable and practical.

- 1. Whether the property will yield a reasonable return or whether there can be a beneficial use of the property without the variance.
- 2. Whether the variance is substantial.
- 3. Whether the essential character of the neighborhood would be substantially altered or adjoining properties suffer a "substantial detriment."
- 4. Whether the variance would adversely affect the delivery of government services.
- 5. Whether the property owner purchased the property with knowledge of the zoning restriction.
- 6. Whether the problem can be solved by some manner other than the granting of a variance.
- 7. Whether the variance preserves the "spirit and intent" of the zoning requirement and whether "substantial justice" would be done by granting the variance.

Plus, the following criteria as established in the zoning code (Section 1113.06):

- 8. That special conditions and circumstances exist which are peculiar to the land or structure involved and which are not applicable to other lands or structures in the same zoning district.
- 9. That a literal interpretation of the provisions of the Zoning Ordinance would deprive the applicant of rights commonly enjoyed by other properties in the same zoning district under the terms of the Zoning Ordinance.
- 10. That the special conditions and circumstances do not result from the action of the applicant.
- 11. That granting the variance requested will not confer on the applicant any special privilege that is denied by the Zoning Ordinance to other lands or structures in the same zoning district.
- 12. That granting the variance will not adversely affect the health and safety of persons residing or working in the vicinity of the proposed development, be materially detrimental to the public welfare, or injurious to private property or public improvements in the vicinity.

III. ASSESSMENT

Considerations and Basis for Decision

(A) Variance to C.O. 1169.16(d) to allow the size of a wall sign to be 143.6 square feet where code permits a maximum of 75 square feet.

The following should be considered in the decision of the board:

- 1. C.O. 1169.16(d) states that one wall sign, up to 75 sq. ft. in size, is permitted to be installed per building frontage. The building has one frontage and a total of one wall sign is allowed. The applicant proposes to install one wall sign. On the south elevation (facing Jug Street).
 - a. Sign: features the company logo, the text "Pharmavite", and is 143.6 sq. ft. in size and is non-illuminated. This exceeds the maximum area requirement according to the city sign code.
- 2. The variance request does not appear to be substantial due to the large size of the building which is 219,968 square feet. The building is approximately 720 feet in width and 30 feet in height on its south façade. Due to the large size, the proposed wall sign appears to be appropriately scaled in relation to the size of the building. If the applicant were to install a wall sign that met code requirements, it may appear under-scaled and out of place on the

larger building.

- 3. The spirit and intent of the zoning code is preserved since the signs are appropriately scaled and designed for the building on which they are located. The city sign code requires signs to "integrate with the building/site on which they are located and adjacent development in scale, design, and intensity. For example, large signs are best suited for buildings with larger massing." The proposed sign meets this intent. It is well designed and appropriately scaled in relation to the large warehouse building thereby making the size appropriate in this case.
- 4. It does not appear that the essential character of the immediate area will be altered if the variance is granted. The site is located in the Business Park District and the building's 550-foot setback from the public road reduces the visual impact of the wall sign.
- 5. The granting of the variance will not confer on the applicant any special privileges because the city Board of Zoning Appeals (BZA) has approved similar variances. There have been a wide range of approvals for sign variances for size:
 - a. The largest variance sign size was approved by the board in April 2021. Amazon requested a wall sign at 297 square feet for a building at approximately 1,271 feet long and about 50 +/- feet in height. Therefore, the square footage for the façade is 63,550 square feet making the sign less than 1% of the façade.
 - b. The smallest sign size variances request was approved by the board in August 2023. Amgen requested a wall sign at 98 square feet for a building 540 feet long and 35 feet in height. The building façade's area is 18,900 square feet making the sign area about 1% of the façade's area.
- 6. The variance request does not appear to be substantial because the sign is an appropriate size for the large warehouse façade.
 - a. The square footage of the building face is approximately 21,600 square feet making the total of wall sign just 0.66% of the building façade.
 - b. Due to this large size, the proposed wall signs appear to be appropriately scaled in relation to the size of the building. If the applicant were to install wall signs that met code requirements, the signs would be under-scaled and appear out of place on the larger building.
- 7. Granting the variance will not adversely affect the health, safety, or general welfare of persons living in the immediate vicinity.
- 8. Granting the variance will not adversely affect the delivery of government services.

(B) Variance to C.O. 1169.16(d) to allow the sign relief to be at ½ inch where code requires a minimum of 1 inch.

The following should be considered in the decision of the board:

- 1. C.O. 1169.16(d) states that wall signs must have a relief (depth) of no less than 1 inch and no more than 18 inches.
 - a. Sign: The logo and text are proposed to have a $\frac{1}{2}$ inch relief. This is less than the minimum depth requirement according to the city sign code so a variance is required.
- 2. The problem may be solved by some manner other than the granting of a variance if the applicant made the sign deeper, projected the sign from the building with mounts or brackets, or used another sign material. The applicant indicates that sourcing materials for solid 1-inch letters is challenging and that production requires a specialty sign shop.
- 3. The variance request does not appear to be substantial. The applicant states that, due to the sign's distance of over 550 feet from the right-of-way, the difference in appearance between 1-inch and ½-inch relief is negligible.
- 4. The city staff could not find any other cases when the city board and commissions have approved a variance for sign relief historically.
- 5. The "spirit and intent" of the zoning requirement is to add more visual interest and help to make it standout from the building. While the sign is not meeting the relief requirements to help the sign standout from the building, the sign is silver metallic aluminum which helps it standout from the building and adds visual interest. Granting the variance will not alter the essential character of the immediate area. The property is located in the Business Park District, with substantial setbacks (550 feet from public roads). Granting the variance will not

adversely affect the health, safety, or general welfare of persons living in the immediate vicinity.

6. Granting the variance will not adversely affect the delivery of government services.

IV. SUMMARY

Even though the proposed wall sign is larger than the code allows it is still appropriately integrated with the building/site on which it is located and the adjacent development in scale, design, and intensity. The proposed sign is below 1% of the applicable building facades which will minimize the visual impact. Even though the sign relief is smaller than the code allows it would not impede the visual impact. However, an alternative mounting method may be considered to ensure compliance with the minimum sign relief requirements. Therefore, the request does not appear to be substantial.

V. ACTION

Should the Board of Zoning Appeals find that the application has sufficient basis for approval, the following motions would be appropriate. Conditions of approval may be added.

Move to approve application VAR-74-2024.

Approximate Site Location:



Source: NearMap



Community Development Department

RE: City of New Albany Board and Commission Record of Action

Dear Columbus Sign Company/Zoning Resources c/o Rebecca Green,

Attached is the Record of Action for your recent application that was heard by one of the City of New Albany Boards and Commissions. Please retain this document for your records.

This Record of Action does not constitute a permit or license to construct, demolish, occupy or make alterations to any land area or building. A building and/or zoning permit is required before any work can be performed. For more information on the permitting process, please contact the Community Development Department.

Additionally, if the Record of Action lists conditions of approval these conditions must be met prior to issuance of any zoning or building permits.

Please contact our office at (614) 939-2254 with any questions.

Thank you.



Community Development Department

Decision and Record of Action

Wednesday, October 30, 2024

The New Albany Board of Zoning Appeals took the following action on 10/28/2024 .

Variance

Location: 13700 Jug St., New Albany, OH 43031 Applicant: Columbus Sign Company/Zoning Resources c/o Rebecca Green,

Application: PLVARI20240074

Request: Variance to codified ordinance 1169.16(d) relating to the size of signage and sign relief for Pharmavite located at 13700 Jug Street (095-111756-00.012).
 Motion: To Approve

Commission Vote:	Motion Approved, Variance A 5-0
	Motion Approved, Variance B 3-2

Result: Variance, PLVARI20240074 was Approved, by a vote of Variance A 5-0 and Variance B 3-2.

Recorded in the Official Journal this October 30, 2024

Condition(s) of Approval:

Staff Certification:

Kylie Blackburn

Kylie Blackburn Planner



Board of Zoning Appeals Staff Report November 25, 2024 Meeting

QTS SIGN VARIANCES

LOCATION:	1235 Beech Road SW and 1225 Beech Road SW (PID: 094-106404-00.011 and 094-106404-00.010)
APPLICANT: REQUEST:	SNHA A Woolpert Company c/o Alex Zimmerman (A) Variance to C.O. 1168.18(b)(2) to allow the size of directional signs to be 27.5 square feet and 6'-1" tall where code permits a maximum of 5 square feet and 4 feet tall.
	(B) Variance to C.O. 1169.16(d) to allow 4 signs per building where code permits one sign per building.
	(C) Variance to C.O. $1169.16(d)(2)$ to allow 8 wall signs to exceed the permitted 75 square feet max.
	(D) Variance to C.O. 1169.18(c)(2) to allow 2 address signs per building where code permits one address sign per building.
ZONING: STRATEGIC PLAN: APPLICATION:	Limited General Employment (L-GE): Beech Road South Employment Center VAR-65-2024

Review based on: Application materials received July 26, 2024.

Staff report prepared by Kylie Blackburn and Sierra Saumenig, Planners

I. REQUEST AND BACKGROUND

The applicant requests the following variances related to a new sign package for two QTS buildings located in the Licking County portion of the New Albany Business Park and accessed off Beech Road.

(A) Variance to C.O. 1168.18(b)(2) to allow the size of directional signs to be 27.5 square feet and 6'-1" tall where code permits a maximum of 5 square feet and 4 feet tall.

(B) Variance to C.O. 1169.16(d) to allow 4 signs per building where code permits one sign per building.

(C) Variance to C.O. 1169.16(d)(2) to allow 8 wall signs to exceed the permitted 75 square foot max.

(D) Variance to C.O. 1169.18(c)(2) to allow 2 address signs per building where code permits one address sign per building.

II. SITE DESCRIPTION & USE

The QTS buildings are located on the west side of Beech Road and south of Ganton Parkway. The two adjacent properties total 38.79 +/- acres. It is part of the New Albany Business Park within Licking County. There are several other commercial businesses located north, south, and west of the building.

III. EVALUATION

The application complies with application submittal requirements in C.O. 1113.03, and is considered complete. The property owners within 200 feet of the property in question have been notified.

Criteria

The standard for granting of an area variance is set forth in the case of Duncan v. Village of Middlefield, 23 Ohio St.3d 83 (1986). The Board must examine the following factors when deciding whether to grant a landowner an area variance:

All of the factors should be considered and no single factor is dispositive. The key to whether an area variance should be granted to a property owner under the "practical difficulties" standard is whether the area zoning requirement, as applied to the property owner in question, is reasonable and practical.

- 1. Whether the property will yield a reasonable return or whether there can be a beneficial use of the property without the variance.
- 2. Whether the variance is substantial.
- 3. Whether the essential character of the neighborhood would be substantially altered or adjoining properties suffer a "substantial detriment."
- 4. Whether the variance would adversely affect the delivery of government services.
- 5. Whether the property owner purchased the property with knowledge of the zoning restriction.
- 6. Whether the problem can be solved by some manner other than the granting of a variance.
- 7. Whether the variance preserves the "spirit and intent" of the zoning requirement and whether "substantial justice" would be done by granting the variance.

Plus, the following criteria as established in the zoning code (Section 1113.06):

- 8. That special conditions and circumstances exist which are peculiar to the land or structure involved and which are not applicable to other lands or structures in the same zoning district.
- 9. That a literal interpretation of the provisions of the Zoning Ordinance would deprive the applicant of rights commonly enjoyed by other properties in the same zoning district under the terms of the Zoning Ordinance.
- 10. That the special conditions and circumstances do not result from the action of the applicant.
- 11. That granting the variance requested will not confer on the applicant any special privilege that is denied by the Zoning Ordinance to other lands or structures in the same zoning district.
- 12. That granting the variance will not adversely affect the health and safety of persons residing or working in the vicinity of the proposed development, be materially detrimental to the public welfare, or injurious to private property or public improvements in the vicinity.

III. ASSESSMENT

Considerations and Basis for Decision

(A) A variance to C.O. 1168.18(b)(2) to allow the size of directional signs to be 27.5 square feet and 6'-1" tall where code permits a maximum of 5 square feet and 4 feet tall.

The following should be considered in the Commission's decision:

1. C.O. 1168.18(b)(2) states that directional signage should have a maximum square footage of 5 feet and a maximum height of 4 feet.

- a. The applicant proposes four directional signs that are permitted as the code allows one per lot access plus one per building. The four directional signs are all proposed to be 27.5 square feet and 6'-1" in height. Three of the directional signs are at the front of the property and one directional sign is located at the rear of the property.
- 2. The variance request may be substantial as the directional signs are proposed to be much larger than what code permits.
 - a. The applicant states the signs are intended for internal use and are not be visible from Beech Road and the design matches the existing signage throughout the business park including a black background and white lettering.
 - b. The two signs at the northeast and southeast corner appear that they would be visible from Beech Road as they are adjacent to drive aisles into the property.
 - c. The directional sign at the rear of the property is not visible from the public street but may be able to be seen from adjacent properties.
- 3. The applicant could reduce the square footage of the proposed signs by eliminating some of the blank space on the signs.
- 4. Staff is unaware of any previous variance requests for a directional sign size increase.
- 5. It appears that there are no special conditions and circumstances that justify the variance request. Other properties that are in the surrounding area also have had to meet the directional sign standards to ensure consistency which signals to visitors that they are within the New Albany Business Park. However, these directional signs are interior to the site.
- 6. Granting the variance does not appear to meet the spirit and intent of the zoning requirement because the applicant could achieve the required wayfinding signage without altering the intended content of the sign. The applicant could eliminate some blank space on the sign which would reduce its size.
- 7. If the directional signs cannot be seen from Beech Road, it does not appear that the essential character of the immediate area will be altered if the variance is granted. However, it appears three of the four signs could be seen from the right-of-way or adjacent neighbors.
- 8. Granting the variance will not adversely affect the health, safety, or general welfare of persons living in the immediate vicinity.
- 9. Granting the variance will not adversely affect the delivery of government services.

(B) A Variance to C.O. 1169.16(d) to allow 4 wall signs per building where code permits one sign per building frontage.

The following should be considered in the decision of the board:

- 1. C.O. 1169.16(d) states that one wall sign, up to 75 sq. ft. in size, is permitted to be installed per building frontage. The applicant proposes to install four wall signs per building that would exceed this requirement. The development includes two identical buildings that are proposed to have the same signs and locations on each of the buildings.
 - a. One sign on the east elevations of the two buildings is proposed to be 177 square feet. These signs feature the company logo.
 - b. Four Signs on the north and south elevations (two on each building) are proposed to be 311 square feet. These signs feature the company logo with "data centers."
 - c. One sign on the west elevations of the two buildings are proposed to be 152 square feet. This sign features the company logo.
- 2. The city sign code permits one wall sign per building frontage. Each building has one frontage along Beech Road. While the applicant proposes to allow more wall signs than permitted by right the buildings are approximately 1,241 feet long on their north and south façades, approximately 275 feet long on their east façades, and approximately 220 feet long on their west façades.
 - a. Due to the buildings' large façades having the signs placed over public and private entrances does not appear to be substantial given the size of the buildings.
 - b. They are appropriately and symmetrically positioned on the building. However, on the north and south facades of the building, there is repeated functionality with identical signs that are adjacent to one another above private entrances.
 - c. The building is for a single user, not a shared tenant space, therefore, no other company signs would be added to the eastern façade.

- 3. The spirit and intent of the zoning code are preserved because the signs are appropriately scaled and designed for the building that they are located on. The city sign code requires signs to "integrate with the building/site on which they are located and adjacent development in scale, design, and intensity. For example, large signs are best suited for buildings with larger massing." The proposed signs meet this intent as they are well designed and appropriately scaled in relation to the large building thereby making the size appropriate in this case. However, on the north and south facades of the building, there is repeated functionality with identical signs that are not above public entrances to the buildings.
- 4. It does not appear that the essential character of the immediate area will be altered if the
- 5. variance is granted. The variance request does not appear to be substantial because there are an appropriate number of signs for the large façades.
 - a. Given the scale of the buildings and the multiple entrances, the increased number of signs appears to be necessary for effective wayfinding and ensuring that visitors can easily navigate the space.
- 6. Granting the variance will not adversely affect the health, safety, or general welfare of persons living in the immediate vicinity.
- 7. Granting the variance will not adversely affect the delivery of government services.

(C) A variance to C.O. 1169.16(d)(2) to allow 8 wall signs to exceed the permitted 75 square foot max.

- 1. C.O. 1169.16(d) states that wall signs may be a maximum of 75 sq. ft. in size. The applicant proposes to install eight wall signs that exceed this size requirement. The development includes two identical buildings that are proposed to have the same signs and locations on each of the buildings.
 - a. One sign on the east elevations of the two buildings is proposed to be 177 square feet. These signs feature the company logo (see below).



b. Four Signs on the north and south elevations (two on each building) are proposed to be 311 square feet. These signs feature the company logo with "data centers" (see below).



c. One sign on the west elevations of the two buildings are proposed to be 152 square feet. This sign features the company logo.



- 2. The variance request does not appear to be substantial due to the large size of the buildings which are approximately 442,500 in gross floor area (222,000 square foot first floor area).
 - a. East façade: The buildings are approximately 275 feet long on their east façades. Due to the large size, the proposed wall signs appear to be appropriately scaled in relation to the size of the building. If the applicant were to install a wall sign that met code requirements, it may appear under scaled and out of place on the larger building. Additionally, the sign is proposed to be located above a public entrance to the building.
 - b.North façade and south façade: The buildings are approximately 1,241 feet long on their north and south façades. Due to the large size, the proposed wall signs appear to be appropriately scaled in relation to the size of the building. If the applicant were to install a wall sign that met code requirements, it may appear under scaled and out of place on the larger building.
 - c. West façade: The buildings are approximately 220 feet long on their west façades. Due to the large size, the proposed wall signs on both buildings appears to be appropriately scaled in relation to the size of the building. If the applicant were to install a wall sign that met code requirements, it may appear under scaled and out of place on the larger building. Additionally, this is the back of the building and would not be visible from Beech Road.
- 3. The spirit and intent of the zoning code are preserved because the signs are appropriately scaled and designed for the building that they are located on. The city sign code requires signs to "integrate with the building/site on which they are located and adjacent development in scale, design, and intensity. For example, large signs are best suited for buildings with larger massing." The proposed signs meet this intent as they are well designed and appropriately scaled in relation to the large building thereby making the size appropriate in this case. However, on the north and south facades of the building, there is repeated functionality with identical signs that are not above public entrances to the buildings.
- 4. It does not appear that the essential character of the immediate area will be altered if the variance is granted. The site is located in the New Albany Business Park and the building's large setbacks from the public roads reduce the visual impact of the wall signs
- 5. The granting of the variance will not confer on the applicant any special privileges because the city Board of Zoning Appeals (BZA) has approved similar variances. There have been a wide range of approvals for sign variances for size:
 - a. The largest variance sign size was approved by the board in April 2021. Amazon requested a wall sign at 297 square feet for a building at approximately 1,271 feet long and about 50 +/- feet in height. Therefore, the square footage for the façade is 63,550 square feet making the sign less than 1% of the façade.
 - b. The smallest sign size variances request was approved by the board in August 2023. Amgen requested a wall sign at 98 square feet for a building 540 feet long and 35 feet in height. The building façade's area is 18,900 square feet making the sign area about 1% of the façade's area.
- 6. The variance request does not appear to be substantial because the signs are appropriately sized for the large façades.

- a. The square footages of the east façades are approximately 15,400 square feet making the total of the wall sign just 1.15% of the building façade.
- b. The square footage of the north and south building façades is approximately 69,496 square feet making the total of the wall signs just 0.90% of the building façade.
- c. The square footages of the west facades are approximately 12,320 square feet making the total of the wall signs just 1.2% of the building façade.
- d. Due to this large size, the proposed wall signs appear to be appropriately scaled concerning the size of the building. If the applicant were to install wall signs that met code requirements, the signs would be under-scaled and appear out of place on the larger building.
- 7. Granting the variance will not adversely affect the health, safety, or general welfare of persons living in the immediate vicinity.
- 8. Granting the variance will not adversely affect the delivery of government services.

(D) A variance to C.O. 1169.18(c)(2) to allow 2 address signs per building where code permits one address sign per building.

The following should be considered in the decision of the board:

- 1. C.O. 1169.16(c)(2) states that one address sign, up to 15 sq. ft. in size, is permitted to be installed per building. While the four address signs are below 15 sq. ft., the applicant proposes to install two address signs per building that would exceed what code permits. The development includes two identical buildings that are proposed to have the same signs and locations on each of the buildings.
 - a. East façade: The buildings are approximately 275 feet long on their east façades.
 - b. North façade and south façade: The buildings are approximately 1,241 feet long on their north and south façades.
- 2. The city sign code permits one address sign per building frontage. The buildings are approximately 1,241 feet long on their north and south façades, and approximately 275 feet long on their east façades. Due to the buildings' large façades, the signs do not appear to be substantial given the size of the buildings. They are appropriately and symmetrically positioned on the building. Since the applicant has two identical buildings next to each other this variance helps to distinguish which building is which.
- 3. The spirit and intent of the zoning code are preserved because the signs are appropriately scaled and designed for the building that they are located on. The city sign code requires signs to "integrate with the building/site on which they are located and adjacent development in scale, design, and intensity. The proposed signs meet this intent as they are well-designed.
- 4. It appears that some special conditions and circumstances justify the variance request. There are two identical buildings. The proposed signs provide additional wayfinding for the two buildings and help to differentiate the two.
- 5. It does not appear that the essential character of the immediate area will be altered if the variance is granted. This variance request does not eliminate the architectural, screening, and landscaping requirements for this property.
- 6. The variance request does not appear to be substantial because the signs are an appropriate size for the large façades.
 - a. The address signs meet code size restrictions
 - b. The presence of two identical buildings makes it essential to include additional address signage to clearly differentiate between the two structures
- 7. Granting the variance will not adversely affect the health, safety, or general welfare of persons living in the immediate vicinity.
- 8. Granting the variance will not adversely affect the delivery of government services.

IV. SUMMARY

While the applicant is meeting the directional signage quantity, the proposed size of the signs is larger than code permits. Additionally, three of the four signs may be visible from either right-of-way or adjacent properties. The applicant could eliminate some blank space on the directional signs to decrease the size.

Even though the wall signs are larger than code allows they are still appropriately integrated with the building/site on which it is located and the adjacent development in scale, design, and intensity. The proposed signs are below or just over 1% of the applicable building facades which minimize the visual impact. Therefore, the request does not appear to be substantial. The wall signs do not create an appearance of competition between adjacent signs because of the size of the building. The applicant proposes four wall signs with two of them being identical on the north and south façades of the buildings. The city sign states multiple signs should avoid repeated functionality.

Lastly, the address signs meet the code's permitted size and help differentiate between the two identical QTS buildings. Allowing two address signs per building is not substantial and helps with wayfinding. They are appropriately and symmetrically positioned on the building.

V. ACTION

Should the Board of Zoning Appeals find that the application has sufficient basis for approval, the following motions would be appropriate. Conditions of approval may be added.

Move to approve application VAR-65-2024.

Approximate Site Location:



Source: NearMap

Permit # PRSI-20	24-0 <u>5</u> 63
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Mtg. Date	



Community Development Planning Application

	Site Address 1235 AND 1225 BEECH ROA	AD SW, NEW ALBA	NY, OH 430	54	
	Parcel Numbers_094-106404				
	Acres 55.62 TOTAL SITE AREA	# of lots cre	eated		
	Choose Application Type		Circle a	Ill Details that A	pply
Project Information	 Appeal Certificate of Appropriateness Conditional Use Development Plan Plat Lot Changes Minor Commercial Subdivision Vacation XVariance Extension Request Zoning 	Preliminary Preliminary Combination Easement Amendment (re		Comprehensiv Adjustment Street Text Modificat	tion
	Description of Request: REQUEST SIGNAGE TO EXCEED 5SF AREA AND 4FT TO ALLOW (1) BUILDING MOUNTED SIGN F PER BUILDING				
8	Property Owner's Name: JOHN W Address: 22291 SHELLHORN ROAD City, State, Zip: ASHBURN, VA 20147 Phone number: 713-471-3911 Email: JOHN.WOODCOCK@qtsdata	7	ATA CENTE	RS Fax:	
Contacts	Applicant's Name:NEIL SHAddress:130 E RANDOLPH SCity, State, Zip:CHICAGO, IL 60601Phone number:312-837-2215Email:ALEX.ZIMMERMAN@WOOL		WOOLPERT	COMPANY Fax:	
	Site visits to the property by City of No	ew Albany repres			
Signature	The Owner/Applicant, as signed below employees and appointed and elected of described in this application. I certify t true, correct and complete.	officials to visit, p	hotograph a	and post a notice	on the property
S	Signature of Owner Jol Signature of Applicant	hn Woodcock			10/18/2024 Date: 1 <u>0/18/2024</u> Date: 1 <u>0/18/2024</u>

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	ARB - Signage		75.00	
Conditional Use			600.00	
Development Plar	n – Preliminary PUD	or Comprehensive		
	Planning fee	First 10 acres	750.00	
		Each additional 5 acres or part thereof	50.00 / each	
	Engineering fee	1-25 lots	155.00 / each	
		Minimum fee	1000.00	
	Engineering fee	26 – 50 lots	3875.00	
		Each additional lot over 26	75.00 / each	
	Engineering fee	Over 51 lots	5750.00	
		Each additional lot over 51	50.00 / each	
Development Plar	n – Final PUD			
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	Engineering fee	1-25 lots		
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	Engineering fee	Over 51 lots	5750.00	
		Each lot over 51	50.00 / each	

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November 8, 2024

Zoning, Building, and Fire Department Review Summary New Albany Community Development Department New Albany, OH

Subject: Signage Variance Request

Permit #: PRSI-2024-0563 Project Name: QTS 1 (North) Liberty - Building 1 + Building 2 Building 1 Project Address: 1235 Beech Road SW, New Albany OH, 43054 Building 2 Project Address: 1225 Beech Road SW, New Albany OH, 43054

This is a formal request for a signage variance on parcel 094-106404 regarding several zoning comments added during review of the building 1 permit listed above. Due to the size of the property and set back of the buildings from Beech Road SW, modifications are needed to adequately support wayfinding and promote QTS presence in the community. There is precedence on neighboring properties for several items requested.

Items included in the request are:

- C.O. 1169.18(b)(2) requires a 5sf maximum directional sign
 - o Current design is approximately 27.37sf.
 - $_{\odot}$ A variance is requested to allow the 27.37sf directional signs.
 - Due to the size of the property, the scale of the signs is appropriate for visitor wayfinding over greater distances.
 - Additionally, with landscaping along Beech Road SW directional signage will not be visible from the right-of-way.
- C.O. 1169.18(b)(2) requires a maximum total height 4ft for directional signs.
 Ourrent design height is 6'-1".
 - $_{\circ}$ A variance is requested to allow the 6'-1" H directional signs.
 - Per C.O. 11169.12(a)(5) Context and Compatibility Signs are required to be appropriate to their settings.
 - These signs will primarily be directing truck traffic that sit higher than standard vehicles. The scale of the signs have become a QTS standard for this reason.
 - None of the directional signage is visible from Beech Road SW.



- C.O. 1169.16(d)(2) requires one wall sign per building frontage.
 - o (4) building mounted signs are included in the current design per building (8 total). The site has (1) frontage per building (2 total).
 - \circ A variance is requested to allow (4) signs per building (8 total).
 - Mounding and future plantings along Beech Road SW limits visibility to frontage elevation signage. Additional signage on North elevation provides visibility from the intersection at NW corner of the property.
 - Each of the two signs on North and South elevations highlight a facilities entrance for employees, warranting the duplication.
 - The North neighboring property sets precedent for additional building mounted signage allowable in the area.
- C.O. 1169.16(d)(2) requires wall signs to be 1sf per linear ft of frontage not to exceed 75sf.
 - (1) sign per building (2 Total) is currently 177sf on East elevation.
 - o (2) sign per building (4 Total) is currently 311sf on North/South elevations.
 - \circ (1) sign per building (2 Total) is currently 152sf on West elevation.
 - A variance is requested to allow (8) signs listed above to exceed 75sf limit.
 - Mounding and future plantings along Beech Road SW limits visibility to the frontage elevation signage, and the 317'-4 ¹/₂" setback from from the property line warrants main elevation signage to increase in size.
 - Frontage on East elevation is 266 linear feet per building.
- C.O. 1169.18(c)(2) requires one address sign per building.
 - o Current design includes (2) address signs per building (4 total).
 - A variance is requested to allow (2) address signs per building (4 total)
 - Mounding and future plantings along Beech Road SW limits visibility to the frontage elevation signage. Signs located on Northeast and Southwest corners of buildings provide visibility offsite. Signs located on East elevations provide wayfinding within the campus for visitors.

Documentation supporting items above is included in the Variance Request Package.



Additionally, the project was submitted to The New Albany Company for design review and the Design Review Committee (DRC) took no exception to the signage submitted. The team understands that this design approval does not exempt the project from meeting Local Ordinances. We do believe it is important to provide visibility to other local feedback received. DRC approval letter and package has been included as Appendix A.

Items Included with this package are listed below.

- Planning Application (1) 8.5"x11" Copy Only
- Cover letter (1) 8.5"x11" Copy and (15) 11"X17" Copies
- Variance Request Package (15) 11"x17" Copies and (3) 36"x48" Copies
- Appendix A The New Albany Company DRC Approval (15) 11"x17" Copies
- Appendix B Property Legal Description (15) 11"x17" Copies

Sincerely,

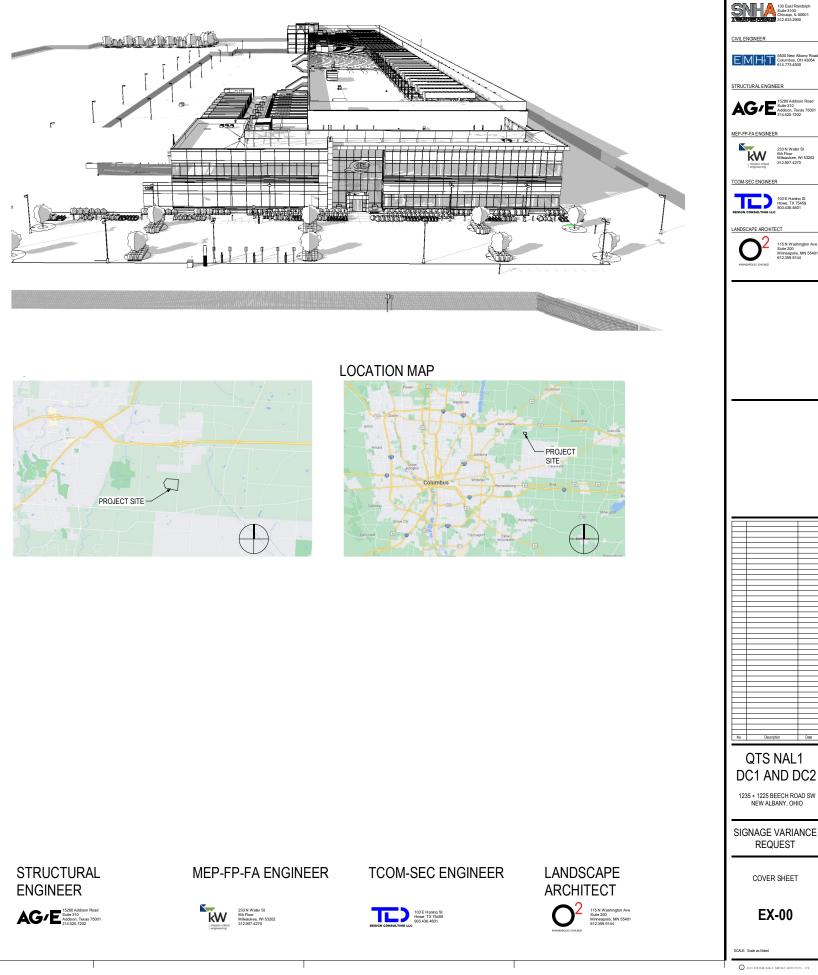
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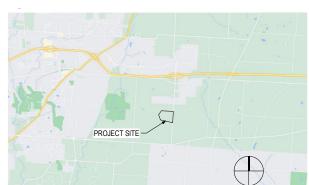
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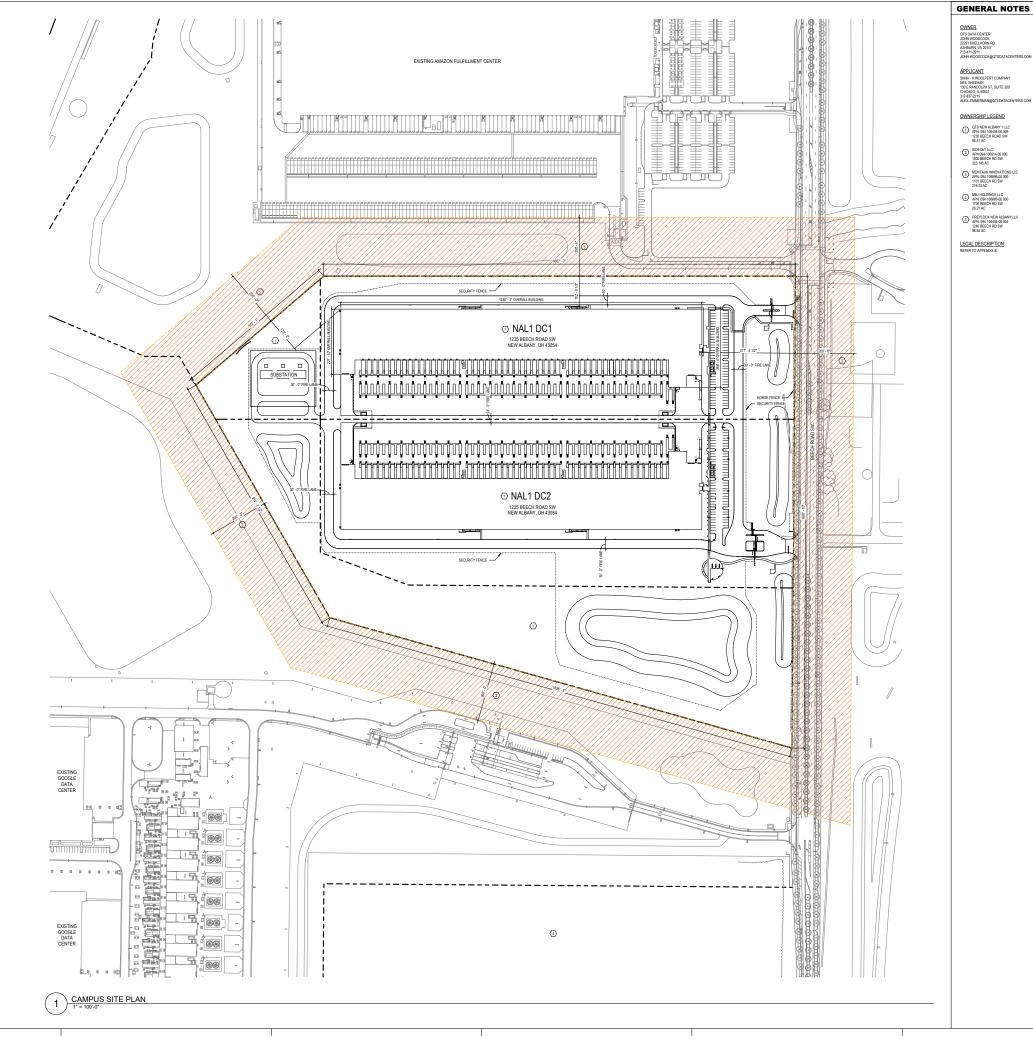








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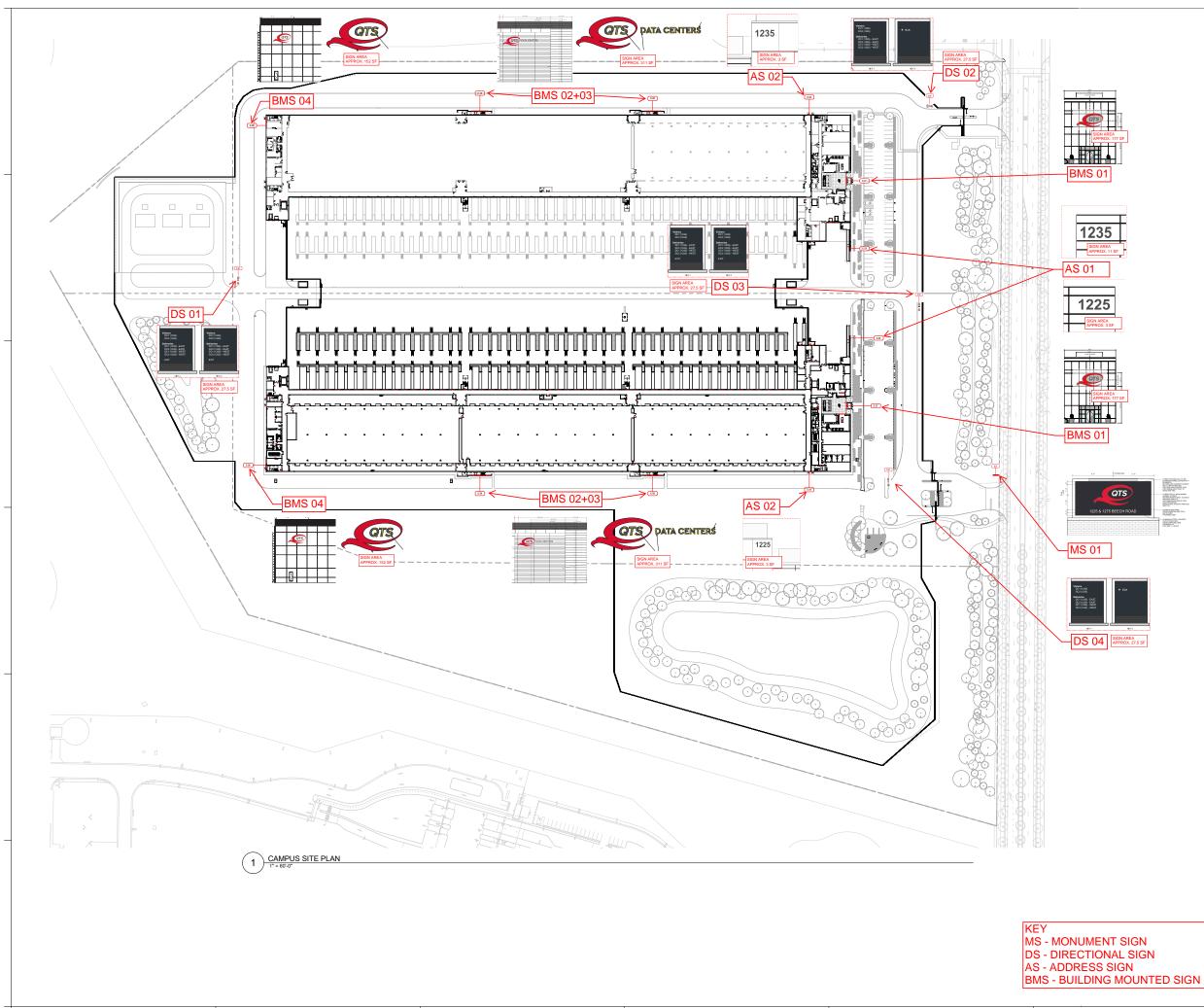


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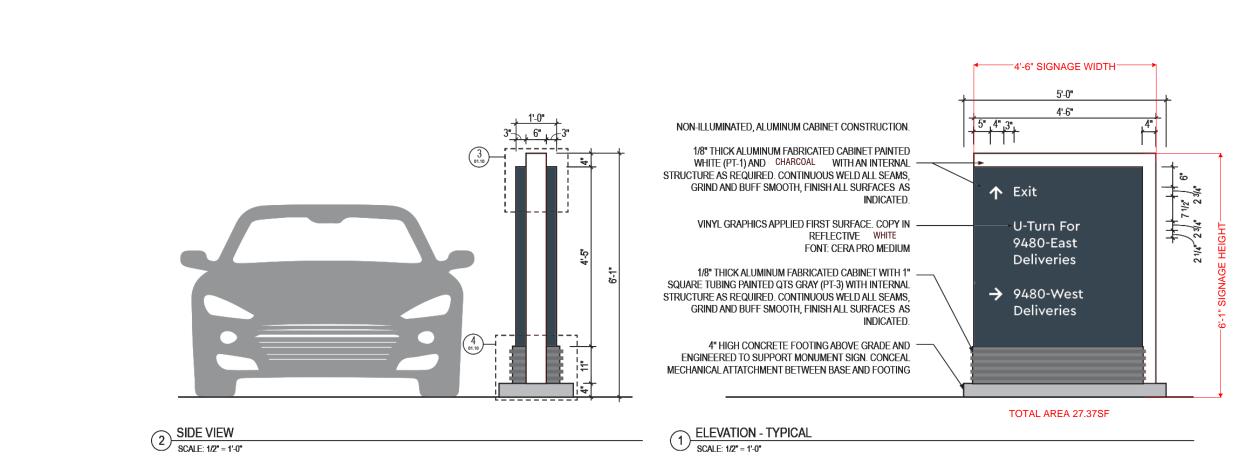
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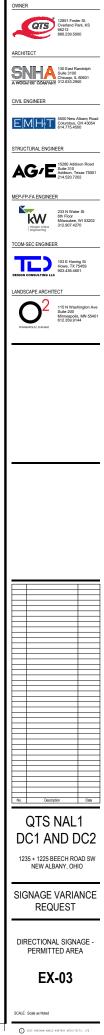


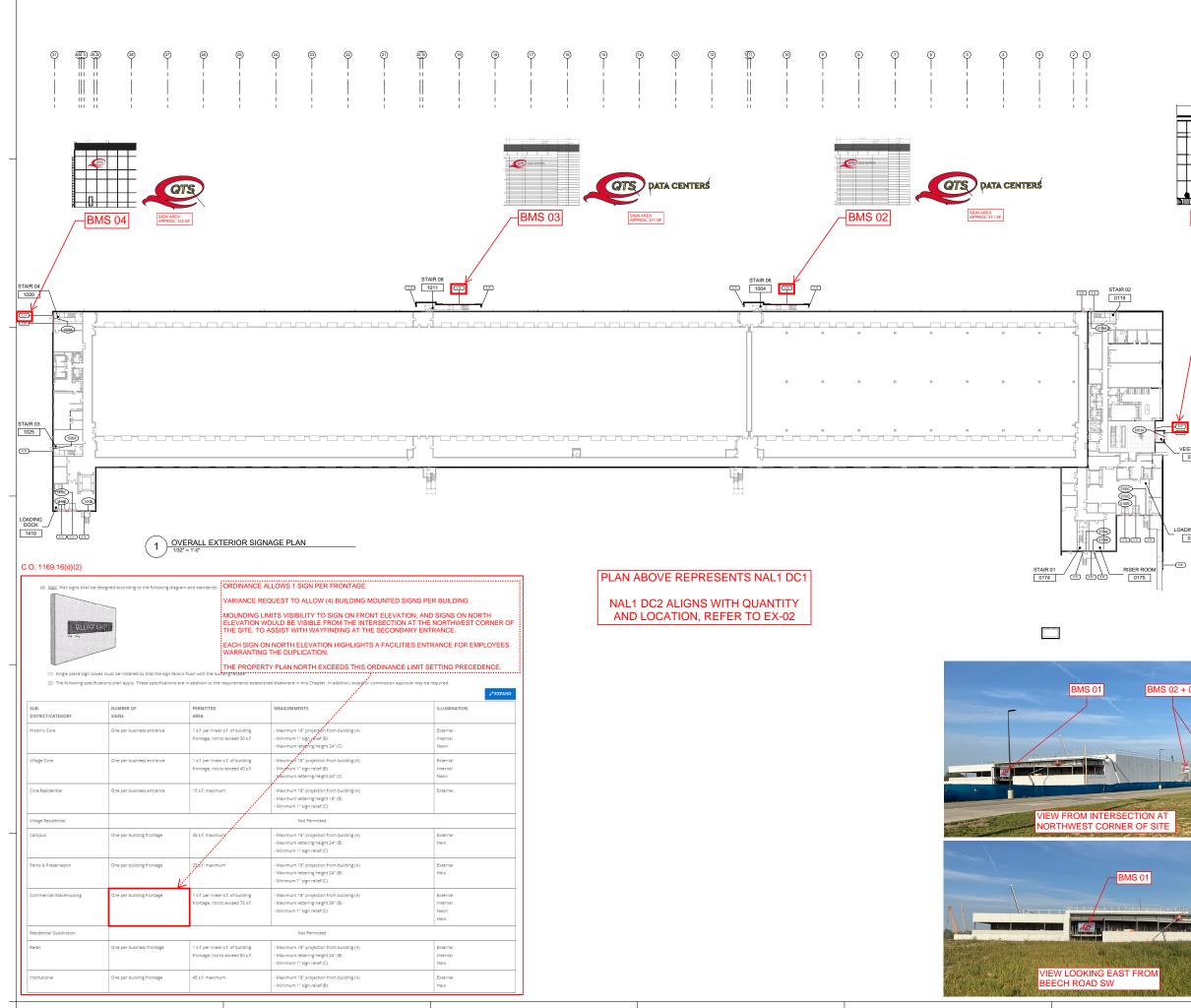
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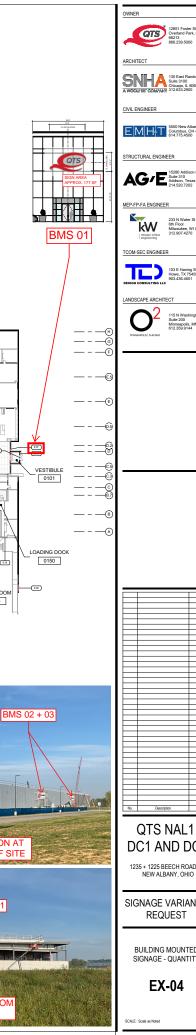
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		VARIANCE REQUEST TO ALLOW DIRECTIONAL SIGNAGE TO EXCEED 5SF LIMIT AND 4'-0" HEIGHT		
(1) The base of the sign	shall be landscaped on all sides with a define	d bed and all-season plant material.	THESE SIGNS WILL PRIMARILY BE DIR THAT SIT HIGHER THAN STANDARD VE	
(2) The following specifi	ations shall apply. These specifications are in	addition to the requirements establi	NONE OF THE DIRECTIONAL SIGNAGE ROAD.	IS VISIBLE FROM BEECH
SUB-	NUMBER OF	PERMITTED	MEASUREMENTS	ILLUMINATION
DISTRICT/CATEGORY	SIGNS	AREA		
Historic Core	Тию	4 s.f. maximum	Maximum total height of 3' (A)	Not permitted
Village Core	One per lot access	4 s.f. maximum	Maximum total height of 3' (A)	Not permitted
Core Residential			Not Permitted	
Village Residential			Not Permitted	
Campus	One per lot access plus one per building	4 s.f. maximum	Maximum total height of 3' (A)	Not permitted
Parks & Preservation	One per lot access plus one per recreational or community amenity	4 s.f. maximum	Maximum total height of 3' (A)	Not permitted
Commercial/Warehousing	One per lot access plus one per	5 s.f. maximum	Maximum total height of 4' (A)	External
	building			Internal
Residential Subdivision			Not Permitted	
Retail	One per lot access	4 s.f. maximum	Maximum total height of 3' (A)	External Internal
Institutional	One per lot access	5 s.f. maximum	Maximum total height of 4' (A)	External

SIGNAGE ELEVATION ABOVE IS REPRESENTATIONAL, ACTUAL SIGNAGE ELEVATIONS BELOW



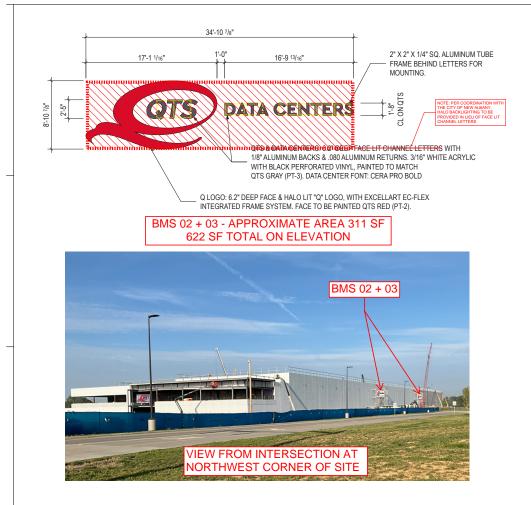






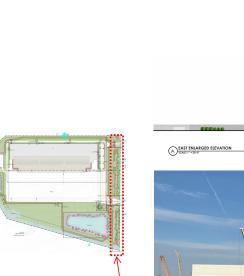
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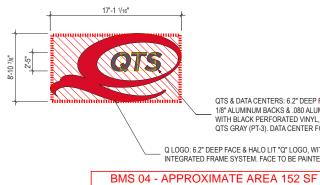


C.O. 1169.16(d)(2)

(1) Single plane sign box	xes must be installed so that the sign face	is flush with the building facade.	ORDINANCE ALLOWS SIGNAGE ARE FRONTAGE NOT TO EXCEED 75SF. VARIANCE REQUEST TO ALLOW BUIL EXCEED 75SF. BUILDING FRONTAGE LINEAR FT AND SITS 317'-4 1/2' FROI MOUNDING AND FUTURE PLANTING ON FRONTAGE ELEVATION AND DIS' LINE WARRANTS SIGN TO INCREASE	LDING MOUNTED SIGNS TO CON EAST ELEVATION IS 266 M EAST PROPERTY LINE. S LIMIT VISIBILITY TO SIGN TANCE FROM PROPERTY E IN SIZE.
SUB- DISTRICT/CATEGORY	NUMBER OF SIGNS	PERMITTED	MEASUREMENTS	ILLUMINATION
Historic Core	One per business entrance	1 s.f. per linear s.f. of building frontage, not to exceed 30 s.f.	- Maximum 18" projection from building (Å) - Minimum 1" sign relief (B) - Maximum lettering height 24" (C)	External Internal Neon
Village Core	One per business entrance	1 s.f. per linear s.f. of building frontage, not to exceed 40 s.f.	- Maximum 18° projection front building (A) - Minimum 1° sign relief (B) - Maximum lettering heijnt 24° (C)	External Internal Neon
Core Residential	One per business entrance	15 s.f. maximum	- Maximum 18" projection from building (A) - Maximum lettering height 18" (B) - Minimum 1+ sign relief (C)	External
Village Residential			Not Permitted	
Campus	One per building frontage	35 s.f. maximum	- Maximum 18" projection from building (A) • Maximum lettering height 24" (B) • Minimum 1" sign relief (C)	External Halo
Parks & Preservation	One per building frontage	25 s.f. maximum	- Maximum 18" projection from building (Å) - Maximum lettering height 24" (B) - Minimum 1" sign relief (C)	External Halo
Commercial/Warehousing	One per building frontage	1 s.f. per linear s.f. of building frontage, not to exceed 75 s.f.	- Maximum 18" projection from building (A) - Maximum lettering height 36" (B) - Minimum 1" sign relief (C)	External Internal Neon Halo
Residential Subdivision			Not Permitted	
Retail	One per business frontage	1 s.f. per linear s.f. of building frontage, not to exceed 50 s.f.	- Maximum 18" projection from building (A) - Maximum lettering height 24" (B) - Minimum 1" sign relief (C)	External Internal Halo
Institutional	One per building frontage	45 s.f. maximum	- Maximum 18" projection from building (A) - Minimum 1" sign relief (B)	External Halo

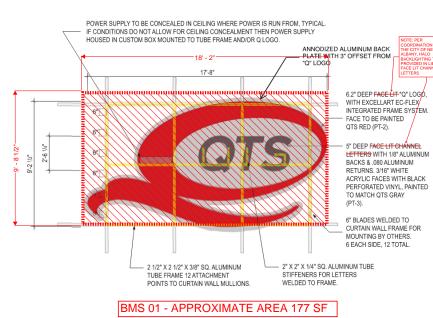


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QTS & DATA CENTERS: 6.2" DEEP FACE LIT CHANNEL LETTERS WITH 1/8" ALUMINUM BACKS & .080 ALUMINUM RETURNS. 3/16" WHITE ACRYLIC WITH BLACK PERFORATED VINYL, PAINTED TO MATCH QTS GRAY (PT-3). DATA CENTER FONT: CERA PRO BOLD

Q LOGO: 6.2" DEEP FACE & HALO LIT "Q" LOGO, WITH EXCELLART EC-FLEX INTEGRATED FRAME SYSTEM. FACE TO BE PAINTED QTS RED (PT-2).







MS 01 OTS VIEW LOOKING EAST FROM BEECH ROAD SW



T.O. SCREEN WALL 63'-0" T.O. OFFICE PARAPET

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QTS NAL1 DC1 AND DC2 1235 + 1225 BEECH ROAD SW NEW ALBANY, OHIO

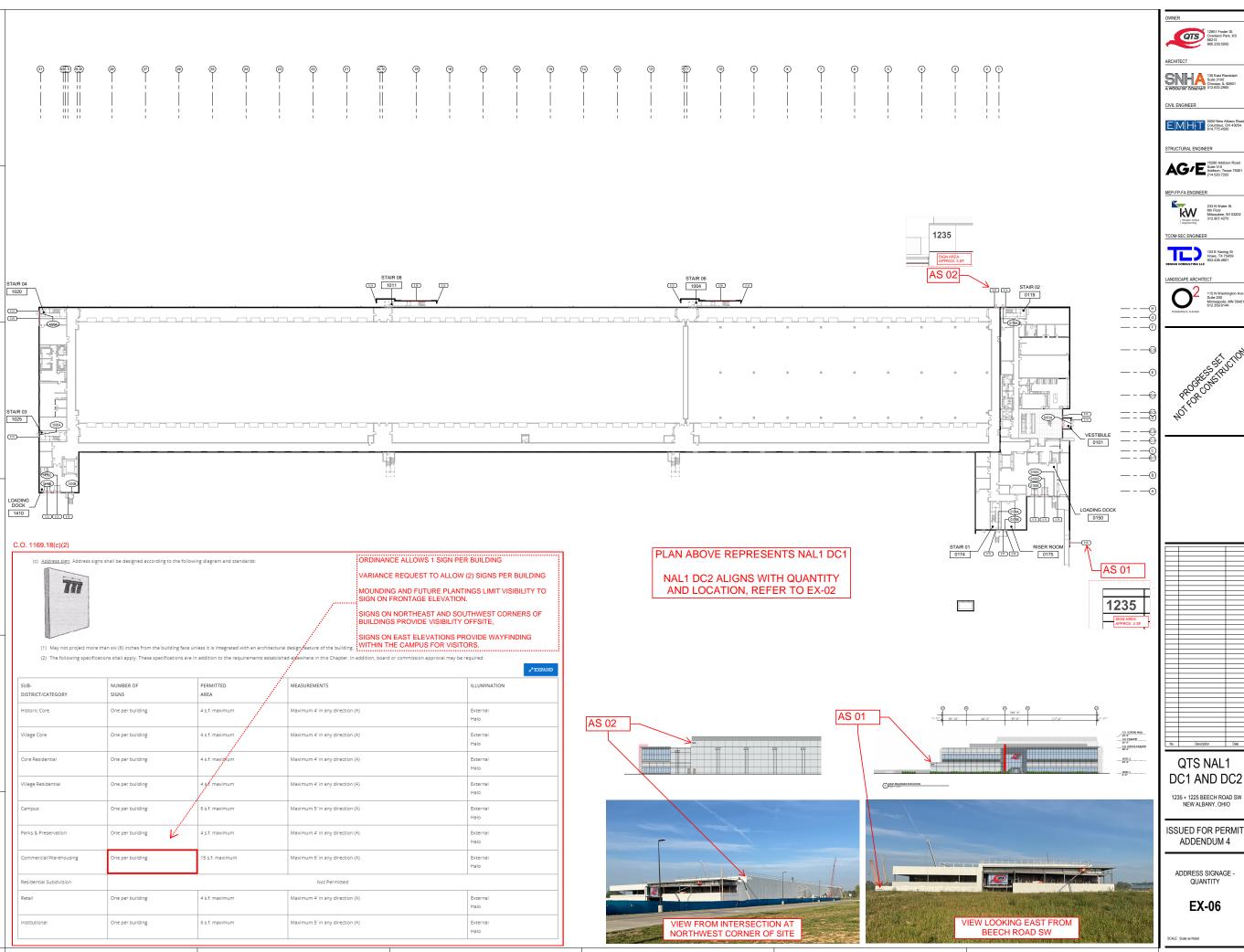
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BUILDING MOUNTED SIGNAGE - PERMITTED AREA

EX-05

SCALE: Scale as Noted

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11-08-2024

NEW ALBANY FOUNDED 1837 ~

September 19, 2023

Katie Bauman EMHT 5500 New Albany Road Columbus OH 43054

Via Email: kabuman@emht.com

Re: QTS NAL1

Katie,

The New Albany Business Park Design Review Committee ("DRC") has completed its Review of OTS / NAL1 Project located at 1275 Beech Road SW New Albany Ohio.

The plans reviewed include the following (collectively the "Plans")

- Site Civil Plans including signage, landscape and fencing prepared by EMH&T. i.
- ii. Building Elevations prepared by SNHA dated 08/10/23.

The DRC's comments on the Plans are set forth below and on enclosed.

- Site Civil Plans: The Site Civil Plans are approved as submitted. I.
- Building Elevations / Exterior Finishes: The building elevations are approved as II. submitted.
- III. Final Site Grading and Landscape Plan: Please refer to the City of New Albany for final approval.
- Signage Plan: The monument signage and directional signage are approved as IV. submitted with the following caveats:
 - a. Building-mounted signage is not approved/ received. Please submit for approval.
 - b. Eliminate red accent color from directional signage.
 - c. Directional signage should have a dark background with light lettering.
- **Exterior Lighting Plan**: The exterior lighting fixtures (parking lot and building V. mounted fixtures) must be submitted for review and approval.
- Fencing, Signage and Landscaping (outside of building envelope): VI.
 - a. For Final Approval Please coordinate directly with Andrew Walther (614-596-1142). An on-site meeting may be required.

This concludes the DRC's comments to the Review of the Plans as submitted. Please note, the approvals set forth above are subject to the specific conditions set forth herein, including but not

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limited to complete submittal packages. All conditions, including but not limited to additional Plan submissions, must be addressed before Final Design Review Approval will be issued.

The DRC's approval of the Plans and any associated conditions does not release the Applicant from its obligation to obtain all required governmental approvals. If the Applicant is unable to modify the Plans as noted above due to conflicts with any governmental agency's requirements, Applicant must notify the DRC of such conflicts.

Thank you for your cooperation. Please feel free to call should you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Tom Rubey Chairman, Design Review Committee

FIRST ROUND SUBMISSION LETTER WITH COMMENTS TO SIGNAGE

NEW ALBANY Founded 1837

November 30, 2023

Katie Bauman EMHT 5500 New Albany Road Columbus OH 43054

Via Email: kabuman@emht.com

Re: QTS NAL1

Katie.

The New Albany Business Park Design Review Committee ("DRC") has completed its Review of QTS / NAL1 Project located at 1275 Beech Road SW New Albany Ohio.

The plans reviewed include the following (collectively the "Plans")

- Plans including signage, and lighting prepared by EMH&T and others. i.
- Building Elevations prepared by SNHA dated 11/14/23. ii.

The DRC's comments on the Plans are set forth below and on enclosed.

- Signage Plan: The monument signage and directional signage are approved as I. submitted.
- Exterior Lighting Plan: The exterior lighting fixtures (parking lot and building II. mounted fixtures) is approved as submitted.
- Fencing, Signage and Landscaping (outside of building envelope): III.
 - a. For Final Approval Please coordinate directly with Andrew Walther (614-596-1142). An on-site meeting may be required.

This concludes the DRC's comments to the Review of the Plans as submitted. *Please note, the* approvals set forth above are subject to the specific conditions set forth herein, including but not limited to complete submittal packages.

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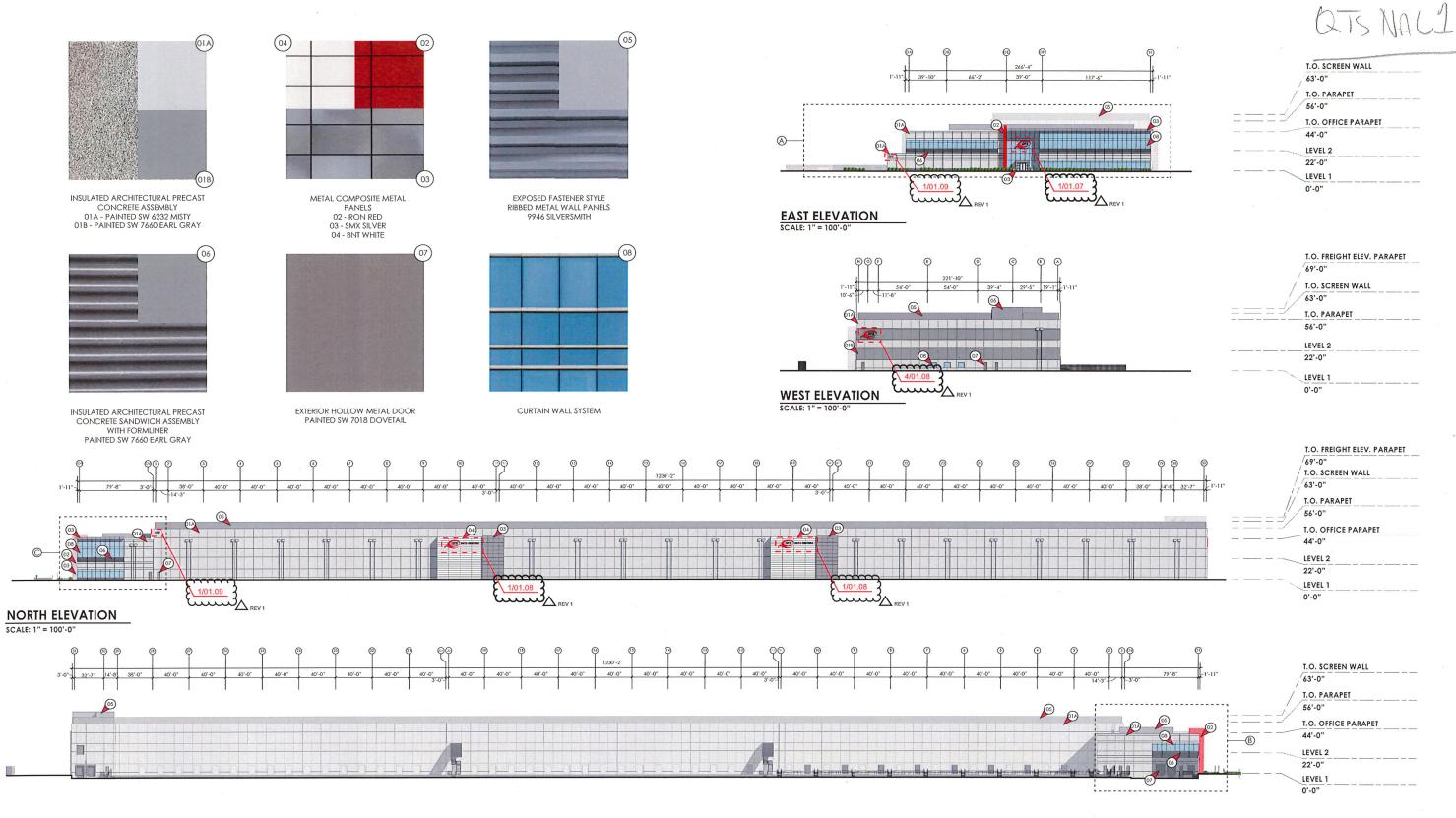
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Inst Tom Rubey

Chairman, Design Review Committee

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APPROVAL LETTER AFTER **COMMENTS WERE INCORPORATED. REVISED** PACKAGE INCLUDED ON SUBSEQUENT SHEETS FOR REFERENCE



SOUTH ELEVATION

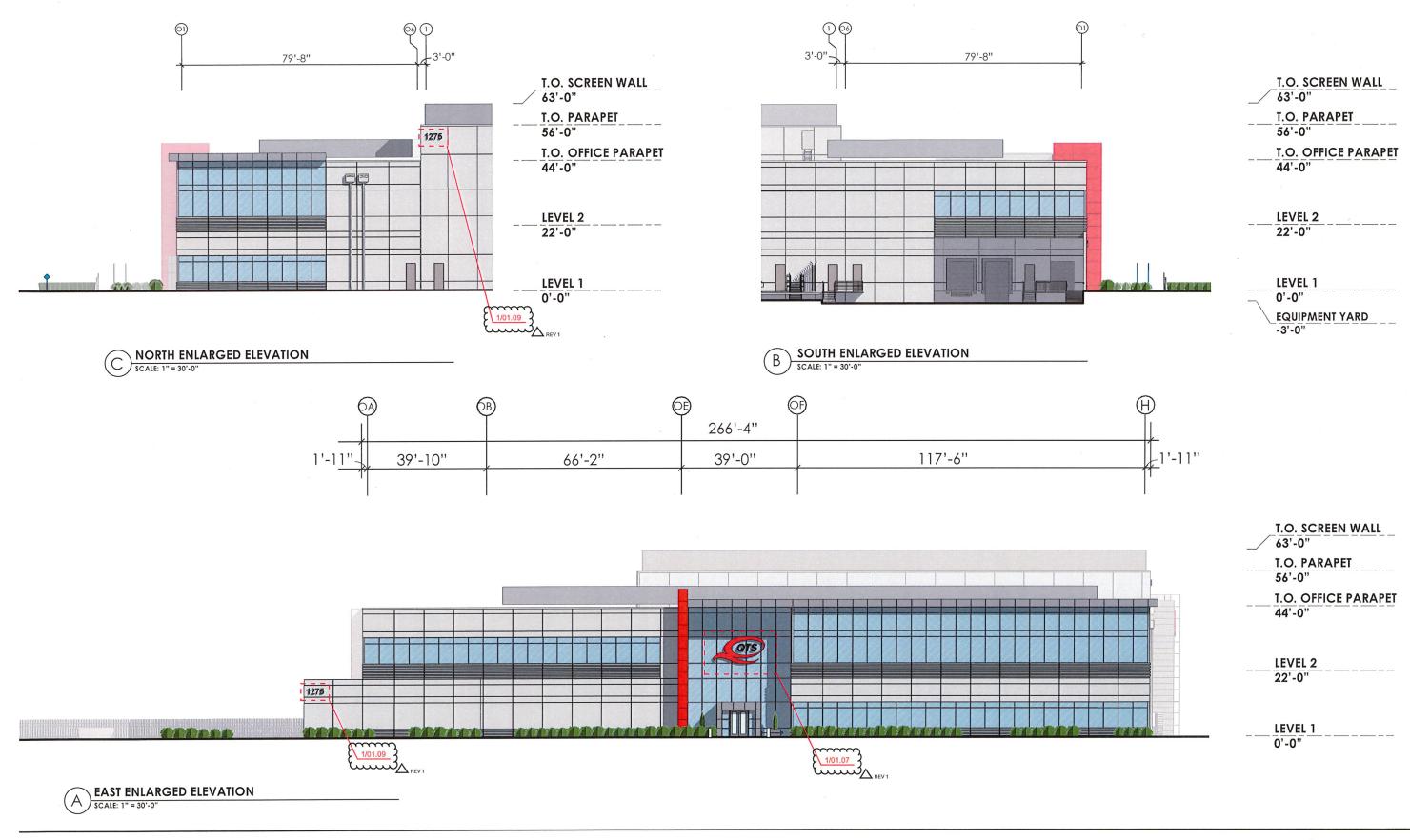
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OVERALL ELEVATIONS AND MATERIAL PALETTE

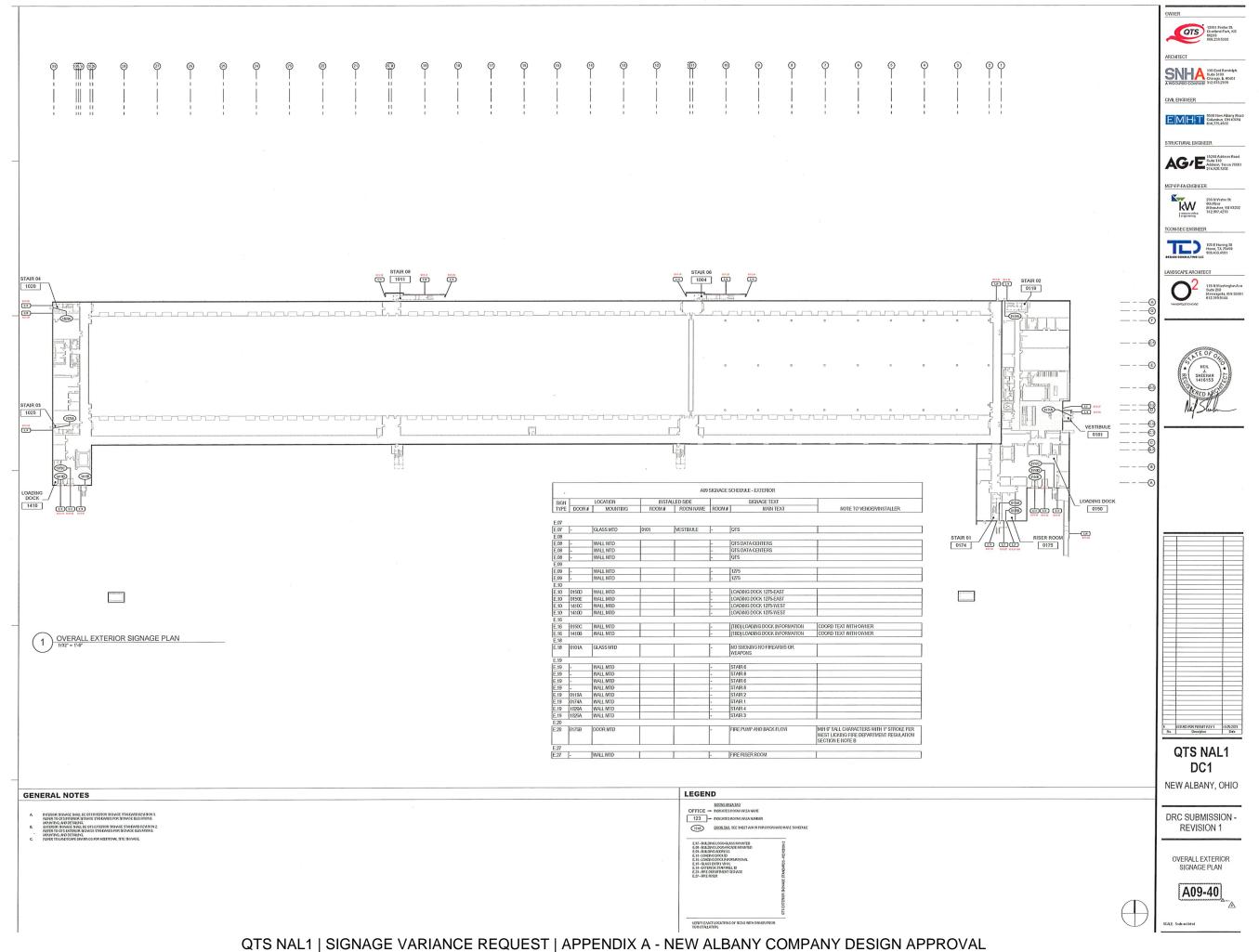


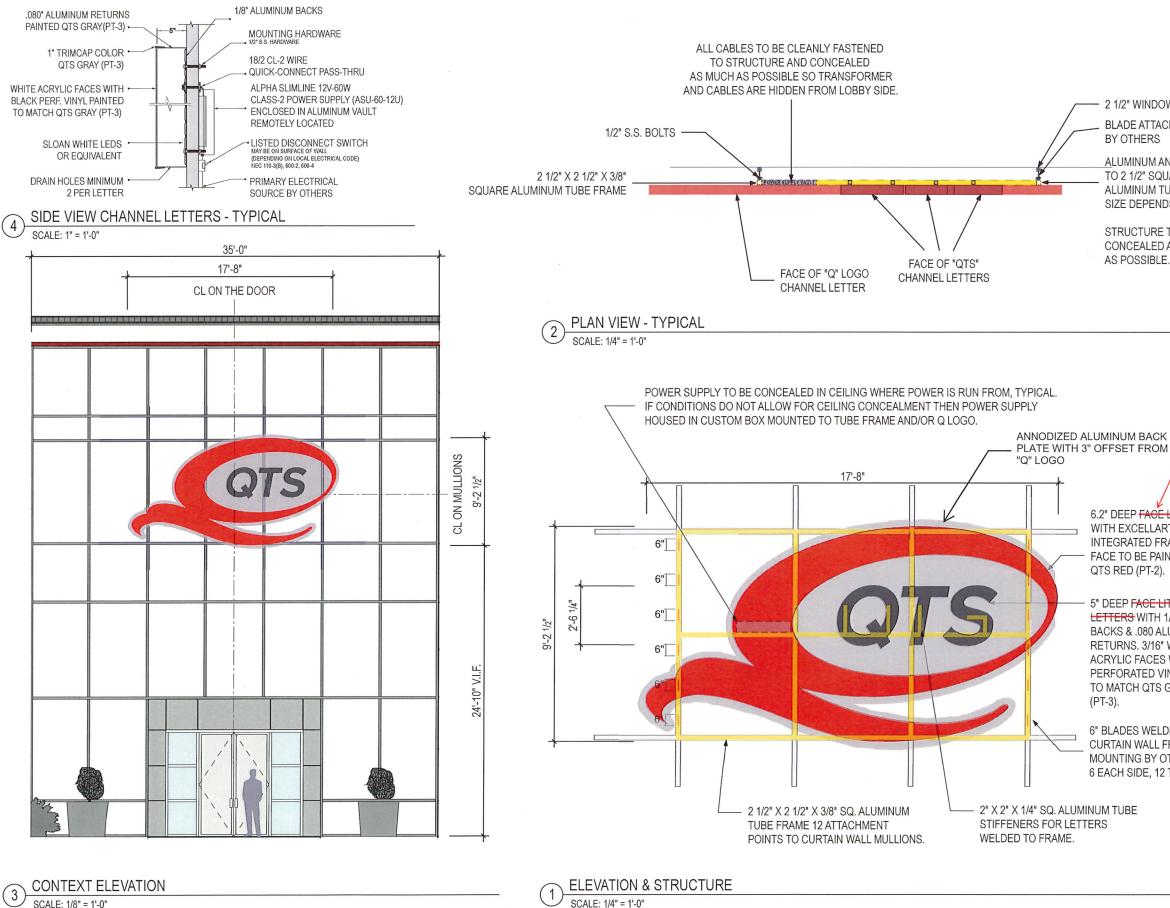




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ENLARGED ELEVATIONS





2 1/2" WINDOW MULLIONS

BLADE ATTACHED BY OTHERS

ALUMINUM ANGLE WELDS TO 2 1/2" SQUARE ALUMINUM TUBE FRAME. SIZE DEPENDS ON BLADES.

STRUCTURE TO BE CONCEALED AS MUCH AS POSSIBLE.

6.2" DEEP FACE LIT "Q" LOGO, WITH EXCELLART EC-FLEX INTEGRATED FRAME SYSTEM. FACE TO BE PAINTED

5" DEEP FACE LIT CHANNEL

LETTERS WITH 1/8" ALUMINUM BACKS & .080 ALUMINUM RETURNS. 3/16" WHITE ACRYLIC FACES WITH BLACK PERFORATED VINYL, PAINTED TO MATCH QTS GRAY

6" BLADES WELDED TO CURTAIN WALL FRAME FOR MOUNTING BY OTHERS. 6 EACH SIDE, 12 TOTAL.

NOTES

1. ALL STRUCTURAL MOUNTING TO BE COORDINATED WITH GC AND CURTAIN WALL CONTRACTOR PRIOR TO FABRICATION.

2. VIF ALL MEASUREMENTS BEFORE INSTALLATION.

NOTE: PER COORDINATION WITH THE CITY OF NEW ALBANY, HALO BACKLIGHTING TO BE PROVIDED IN LIEU OF FACE LIT CHANNEL LETTERS

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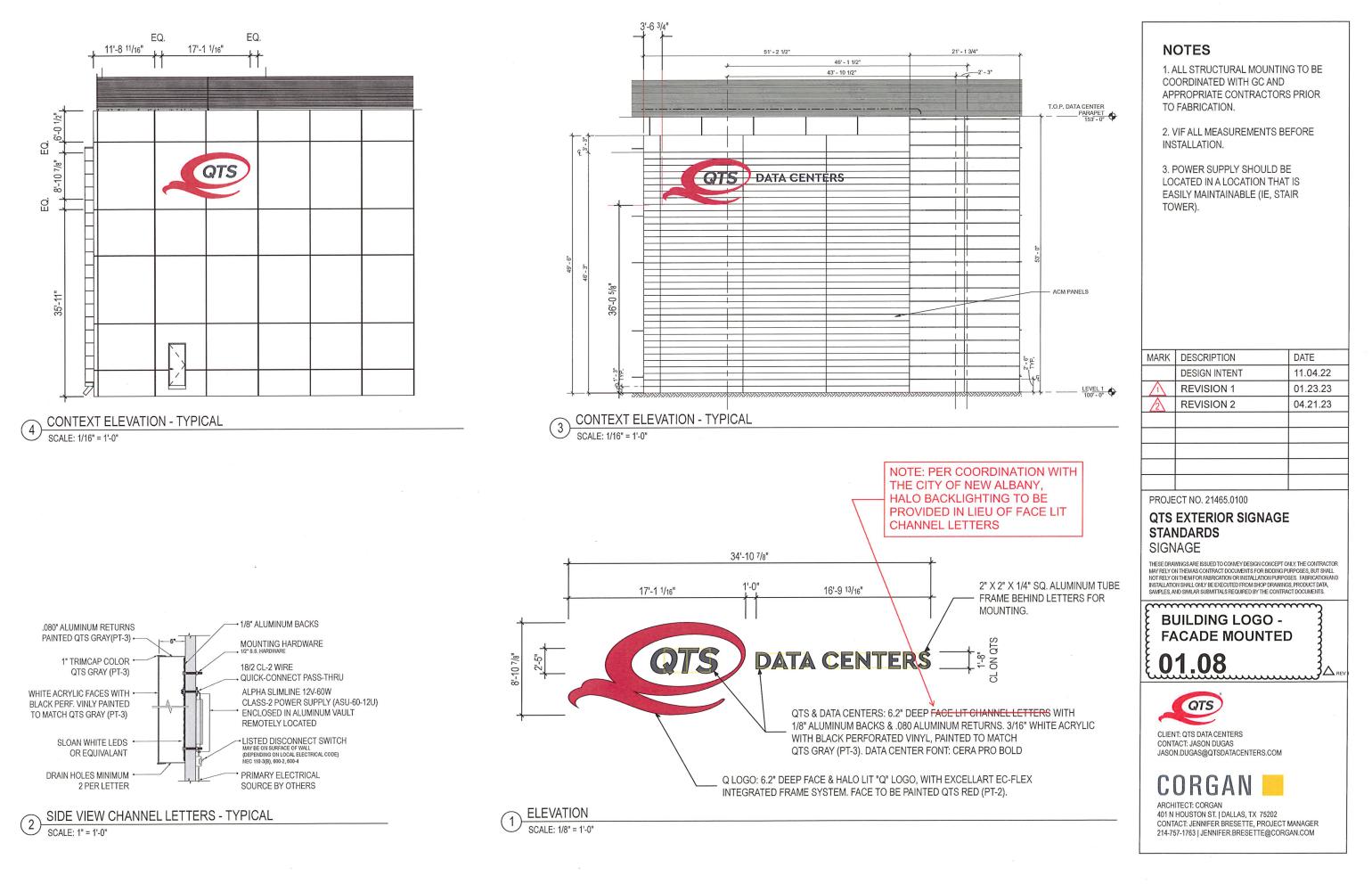
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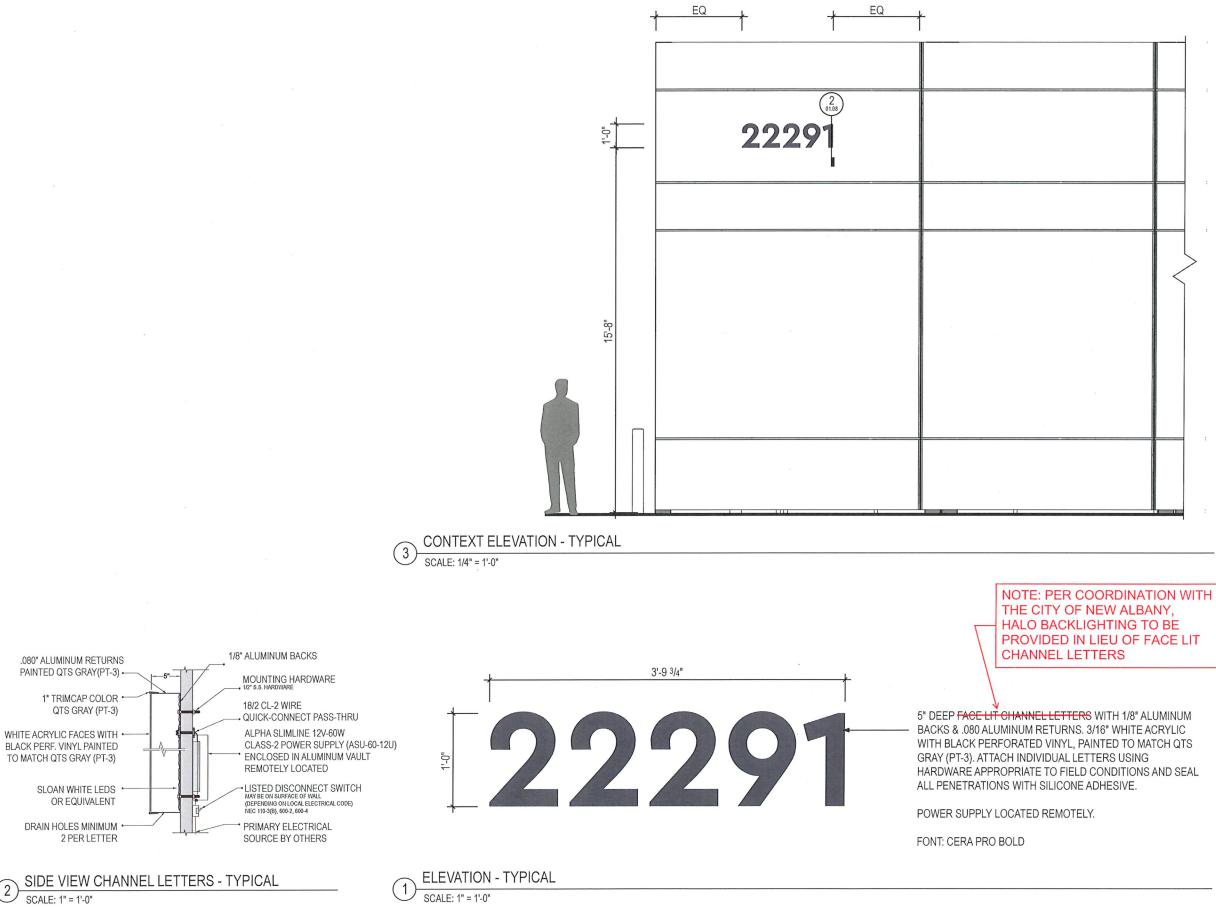
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NOTES

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2. VIF ALL MEASUREMENTS BEFORE INSTALLATION.

3. FABRICATOR TO COORDINATE WITH OWNER TO CONFIRM SITE SPECIFIC BUILDING ADDRESS.

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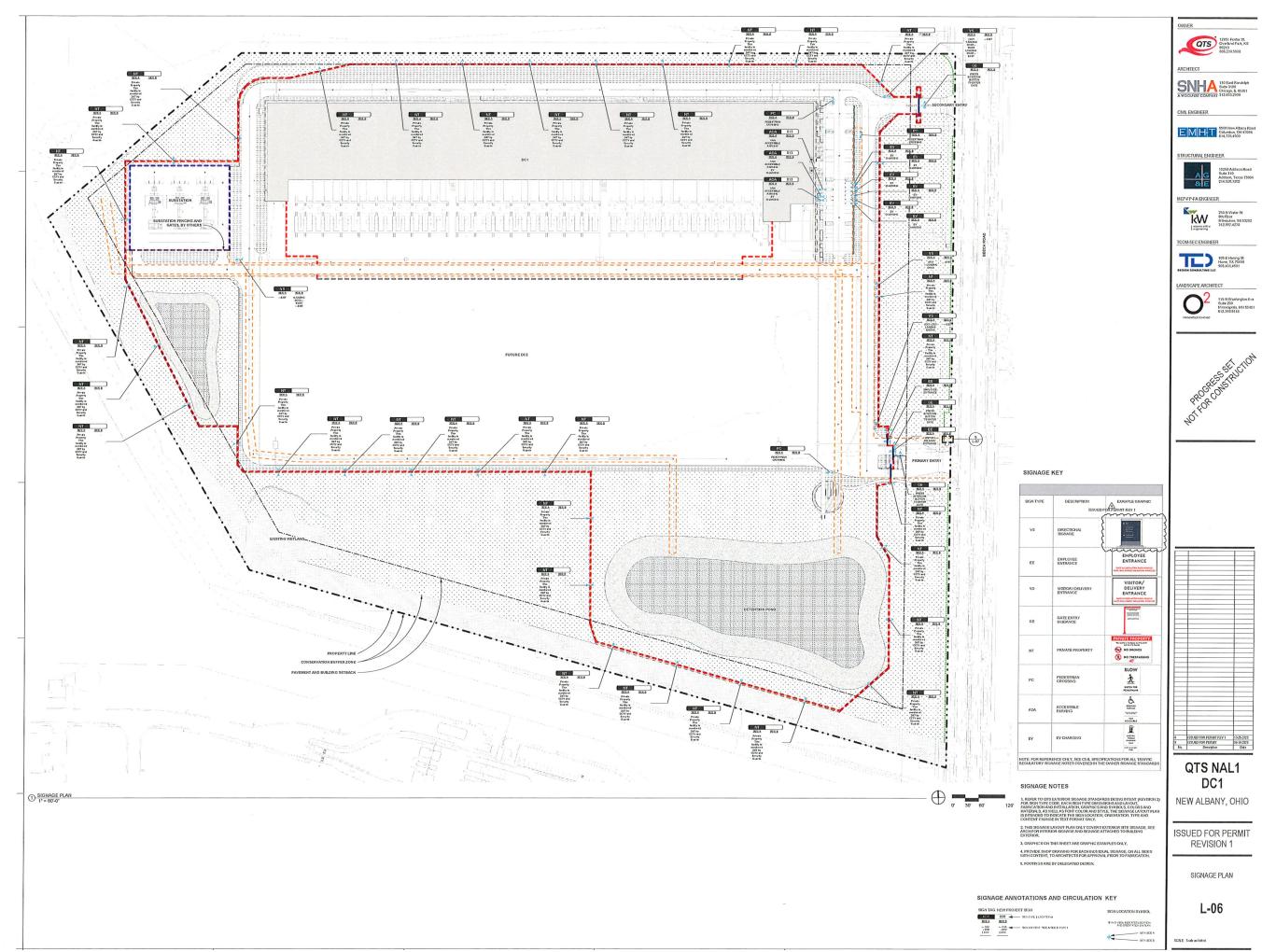
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NEW ALBANY Founded 1837

April 25, 2024

Katie Bauman EMHT 5500 New Albany Road Columbus OH 43054

Via Email: kabuman@emht.com

Re: QTS NAL1 DC2

Katie,

The New Albany Business Park Design Review Committee ("DRC") has completed its Review of QTS / NAL1 DC2 Project located at 1275 Beech Road SW New Albany Ohio.

The plans reviewed include the following (collectively the "Plans")

- i. Site Plans prepared by EMH&T (06/02/2023).
- ii. Building Elevations prepared by SNHA (03/20/24).

The DRC's comments on the Plans are set forth below:

- I. <u>Site Plan</u>: The Site Plan was approved 11/2023. No additional review is necessitated.
- **II.** <u>Exterior Elevations</u>: The exterior elevations were approved for QTS NAL1 DC1. If each subsequent building remains the same as the NAL1 DC1, then subsequent reviews are not needed.

This concludes the DRC's comments to the Review of the Plans as submitted. *Please note, the approvals set forth above are subject to the specific conditions set forth herein, including but not limited to complete submittal packages.*

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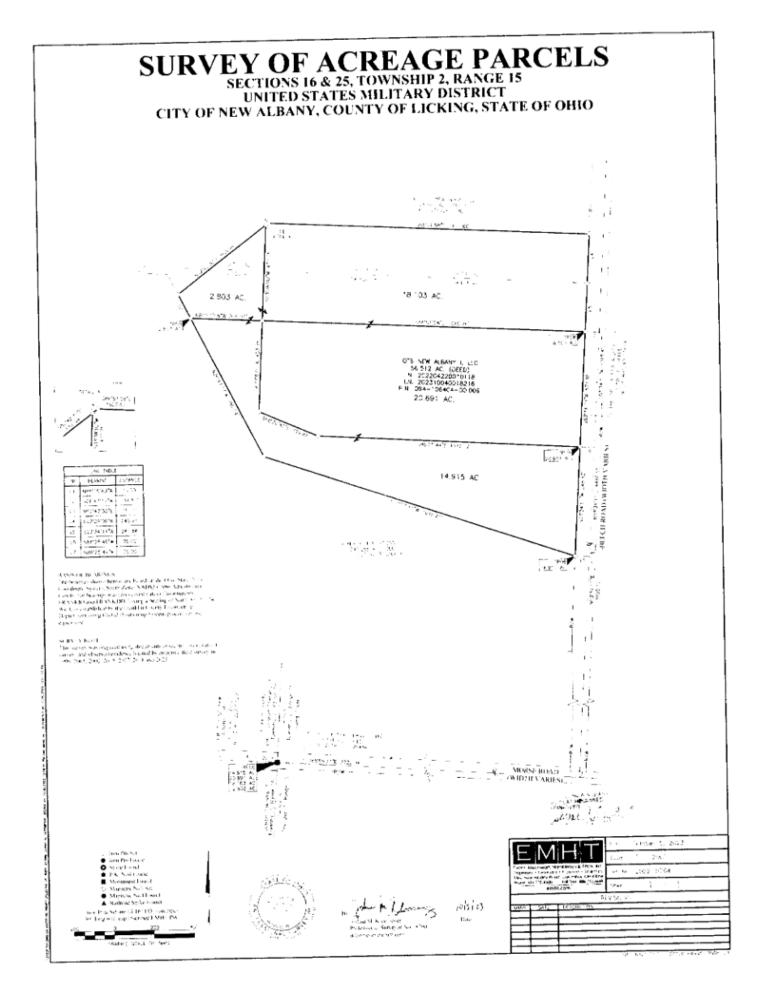
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DC2 APPROVAL LETTER BASED ON ALIGNMENT WITH DC1

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APPENDIX B LEGAL DESCRIPTION

11-08-2024



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