

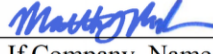
**APPLICATION FOR VACATION OF PUBLIC RIGHT OF WAY**  
ORIGINAL – (No copies or faxes)

DATE: 11/14/2024

**PROJECT LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION:**


- (1) Area proposed to be vacated is: National Boulevard  
(Street/Avenue/Boulevard/alley/walk:N/S/E/Wof)  
and is located between:  
Clarrington Avenue and Jasmine Avenue  
(Street, Avenue, Boulevard or other limit) (Street, Avenue, Boulevard or other limit)
- Attach a map if necessary.
- (2) The vacation area lies within or is shown on:
- (a) Engineering District: (check appropriately)  
 Central  Harbor  Valley  West Los Angeles
- (b) Council District No. 5
- (c) District Map No. 123B161
- (d) A CRA Redevelopment Area: \_\_\_\_\_ OR \_\_\_\_\_  
(YES) (NO)
- (3) Area (in sq. ft.) of the proposed vacation area is approx. 393 sq. ft. If over 10,000 sq. ft. of buildable area, the vacation is not categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines and will require a higher level of environmental review. Contact a vacation staff member to discuss the effect of this on the processing of your application prior to submittal. If the applicant is required to have an environmental determination performed by the Bureau of Engineering Environmental Management Group, the applicant must submit an additional \$32,100 fee deposit. This will also increase the processing time by approximately 6 months.
- If the vacation is located within a Coastal Development Zone, a Coastal Development Permit will be required for the project. The applicant should be aware that vacations within a Coastal Development Zone will take longer to process and will be considerably more expensive. If the applicant is required to have a Coastal Development Permit processed by the Bureau of Engineering Environmental Management Group, the applicant must submit an additional \$32,100 fee deposit.
  - Some city agencies, including LADOT, may require additional fees to be deposited to cover costs during the referral and investigation process. The applicant is responsible for paying the fees to the agency directly. Referral fees paid to other city agencies are separate from the Bureau of Engineering processing fees.
  - If the proposed vacation is only for a portion of the Right-of-Way or a partial block, contact a vacation staff member prior to submitting application.
- (4) Purpose of vacation (future use of vacation area) is: As part of our National Blvd sidewalk improvement project, the City is proposing to exchange this portion of the Public Right-of-way for the permanent street easement at another location.
- (5) Vacation is in conjunction with: (Check appropriately)
- Revocable Permit**  Tract Map  Parcel Map  Zone Change  
 Other \_\_\_\_\_

**PETITIONER / APPLICANT:**

- (6) Petitioner(s): City of Los Angeles  
Print Name(s) of Petitioner(s) in full – Name or Company Name
- Signature(s):  11/14/2024 1:35:05 PM Matthew Masuda, Project Manager  
If Company, Name and Title
- (7) Mailing Address: 1149 S Broadway 8th floor, Los Angeles CA 90015  
(Address, City, State, Zip Code)
- (8) Daytime phone number of petitioner is: ( 213 ) 485-4526  
FAX number: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_  
E-mail number: Matthew.Masuda@lacity.org
- (9) Petitioner is: (check appropriately) ( ) Owner **OR** (X) Representative of Owner

**OWNERSHIPS:**

- (10) Name(s) and address of the **Owner**(s) applying for vacation is/are:
- Matthew Masuda
- City of Los Angeles
- 1149 S Broadway 8th floor, Los Angeles CA 90015  
Print Name(s) and Address of Owner(s) in Full  
(If Owner is Petitioner, Indicate "Same as above")

 11/14/2024 1:35:25 PM  
Signature(s)

- (11) Petitioner is owner or representative of owner of: (check appropriately)
- ( ) The property described in attached copy of Grant Deed **OR**
- (X) See the attached legal description and map.
- \_\_\_\_\_  
(Lot, Tract No.) (Parcel, Parcel Map L.A. No.) (Other)

- (12) The following are the available signatures of other property owners who also own properties adjoining the area proposed to be vacated and whose ownership's are indicated on the attached map by use of "circled letters". **(1)** Print Name(s), **(2)** Provide mailing addresses, **(3)** Indicate Lots owned and **(4)** Obtain signatures.  
 (See Example Ownership List)

Ownership Information may be obtained from:

Los Angeles City Clerk  
 Land Records Division  
 Room 730  
 201 North Figueroa Street  
 Los Angeles, CA 90012  
 Phone: (213) 977-6001

or for the most  
 current  
 information

Los Angeles County Assessor  
 Ownership Information  
 500 West Temple Street  
 Los Angeles, CA 90012  
 Phone: (213) 974-3211

Provide the **information** as indicated:

	Print Names(s) of Property Owner(s) Here	Signature(s) Here
<b>A</b>	----- Print Mailing Address Here	----- Owner of: Lot or Parcel Here
<b>B</b>	----- N/A	-----
<b>C</b>	-----	-----
<b>D</b>	-----	-----
<b>E</b>	-----	-----
<b>F</b>	-----	-----
<b>G</b>	-----	-----
<b>H</b>	-----	-----
<b>I</b>	-----	-----
<b>J</b>	-----	-----
<b>K</b>	-----	-----

Add extra sheet(s) if necessary

(revised 10-28-14)

CITY OF LOS ANGELES  
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS  
OFFICE OF THE CITY ENGINEER

ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT FORM

(Subject to Revision)

Return to: Land Development Group  
201 No. Figueroa Street  
2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Suite 200  
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Attention: \_\_\_\_\_  
Section Head

PLEASE TYPE

DATE SUBMITTED: 11/15/2023  
PROJECT TYPE: National Blvd Sidewalk Improvement between Clarington and Jasmine  
PROJECT ADDRESS/LOCATION: 10131 W National Blvd, Los Angeles CA 90034  
BETWEEN Clarington Ave AND Jasmine Ave  
PROJECT AREA (IN ACRES) 0.009  
REFERENCES: PROJECT NO. M987  
C.D. 5 C.F. NO. 19-0926-S1  
ENGR. DIST. West Los Angeles W.O. E1908239  
DIST. MAP 123B161 DIV. INDEX \_\_\_\_\_  
OTHERS (SPECIFY) \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant's Name: Kitty Siu Phone (213) 485-4623

Address: 1149 S Broadway 8th floor

City: Los Angeles Zip Code 90015

NOTE: Not all projects will necessitate the preparation of an Environmental Impact Report (EIR). In order to make a determination as to whether any significant environmental impacts could result from the proposed project or action, the following Environmental Assessment Form must be filled out and submitted to the City Engineer.

As soon as possible, the Office of the City Engineer will determine whether or not the application will require an Environmental Impact Report and will notify the applicant accordingly.

If your available data indicates that the project will have a significant adverse impact on the environment, you may be required to submit a Draft Environmental Impact Report in addition to this assessment form.

Please attach any maps, photographs, plot plans, preliminary development plans, or other pertinent information which will assist in determining the significance of this project's impact.

## SECTION I

Please complete the following on attached typewritten pages.

A. Description of Project      See the attached signed CEQA NOE

1. Objectives – Purpose of Project

Describe in sufficient detail the objectives or purposes of the project.

If the project could result in any adverse environmental effects or public objections, the applicant may use this Subsection to explain why the proposed project is believed to be the best course of action, describing the factors of overriding importance supporting this conclusion.

2. Project Characteristics

Describe the project's physical (technical and environmental) characteristics including the actions or activities associated with the project (temporary construction activities as well as permanent operating activities). The description should not supply extensive detail beyond that needed to assess the potential environmental effects of the project's characteristics.

3. Existing Use of Property

Describe the existing use of the property and the density or intensity of any structures to be removed.

4. Relationship to Other Projects

If the project is a component of larger plans or programs, describe the project's future phases or extensions. If the project is part of a larger project for which an EIR has been required, or for which a Negative Declaration has been granted, attach the EIR or reference the Negative Declaration in this Subsection.

Describe existing projects in the surrounding area, which may have a major influence on, or be influenced by the proposed project.

5. Other Project Permits Required

List subsequent or subordinate public agency approvals or permits which will be necessary to the completion of the project (e.g. building permits, sewer connection permits, zone change or variance, conditional use, tract or parcel maps, APCD approval, etc.). Specify the type of permit or approval and the public agency involved, including Special Districts.

B. Description of Existing Environmental Conditions

Briefly describe the environmental conditions (social, economic and physical) in the area affected by the proposed project as existing prior to commencement of the project.

Detailed information concerning individual environmental conditions should be provided only if the questions under Section II indicate that the project could result in a change in a particular environmental condition. For example, if views could be obstructed or changed by the project, then the environmental description should provide greater detail concerning the existing visual conditions that may be obstructed or changed. Similarly, if traffic congestion could be increased by the project, then the existing traffic pattern and levels of congestion should also be described in greater detail, if such increase is significant.

SECTION II

Please answer the following questions. If your answer is YES to one or more of the questions, please explain each YES answer on a separate typewritten page(s) attached to this Form.

- |  | YES    | NO     |
|--|--------|--------|
| 1. Could the project result in higher densities and more intensive land use?   | _____  | _____X |
| 2. Could the project serve to encourage or facilitate development of presently undeveloped areas or intensify development of already developed areas outside the project establish any project area? Could the project establish any precedents or facilitate any other projects of which the impact may be significant? |        |        |
| NOTE: Examples include the introduction or expansion of facilities such as streets, water mains or sewer lines, or the increase in development pressure resulting from changes in adjacent property values induced by the proposed project.  | _____X | _____  |
| 3. Could the project result in the temporary or permanent displacement of people or annoyance to community residents?  | _____  | _____X |
| 4. Could employment or the availability of housing in the community be affected by the project?  | _____  | _____X |
| 5. Could any racial, ethnic, religious or other established social group in the community be affected by the project? Could the social or economic composition of the community be changed by the project?   | _____  | _____X |
| 6. Could the project cause increased traffic congestion or draw non-residential traffic through a residential neighborhood, or cause increased street parking or loading? Could the project cause increased congestion in the use of other facilities (recreational, commercial or other)?                               | _____  | _____X |
| 7. Could views from neighboring properties be changed or obstructed by the project? Could the project affect the aesthetic character of the neighborhood or community?   | _____  | _____X |
| 8. Could existing ambient noise levels be increased by the project (including during its construction period) to the extent that present or future residents or passersby would be annoyed to any degree? Could adjoining occupational, recreational or wildlife areas be affected by increases in ambient noise levels? | _____  | _____X |
| 9. Could the project change or disrupt any historical, cultural or archaeological site or its setting?   |        |        |
| NOTE: The setting of such sites includes surrounding areas, the nature of which are important to the understanding and enjoyment of the site itself.   | _____  | _____X |

	YES	NO
10. Are any of the natural or man-made features in the project area unique; that is, not found in other parts of the City?	_____	_____
NOTE: Unique features include those areas, structures, biological phenomena, etc., that exhibit distinguishing characteristics not found in other areas, or found only in a small number of areas.	_____	<u>      X      </u>
11. Could the project change or affect the continued use or enjoyment of a natural, ecological, recreational or scenic area or resource?	_____	<u>      X      </u>
12. Could the project affect the potential use, extraction or conservation of a scarce natural resource?	_____	_____
NOTE: Examples include, but are not limited to:		
Developments which affect the extraction of rock, sand, gravel or other mineral resources.		
Use which affect the multiple use of natural resources in scarce supply.		
Activities which tend to affect the supply or availability of natural resources that are in scarce supply.	_____	<u>      X      </u>
13. Does the project area serve as a habitat, food source, nesting place, source of water, etc., for any rare or endangered plant, wildlife or fish species?	_____	<u>      X      </u>
14. Could the project injure fish, or wildlife, or their habitat, or interfere with the movement of any resident or migratory fish or wildlife species?	_____	<u>      X      </u>
15. Could the project change existing features of any lagoon, bay, tideland or their setting?	_____	<u>      X      </u>
16. Could the project change existing features of any beach or its surroundings, or is it located within 1,000 yards of mean high tide?	_____	<u>      X      </u>
17. Will the project produce emission of any type, which will be directly injected into the atmosphere? (Particulate matter as well as chemical pollutants should be considered.)	_____	<u>      X      </u>
18. Will the project produce any offensive or irritating odors?	_____	<u>      X      </u>
19. Will trees or landscaping be removed?	<u>      X      </u>	_____
20. Does the project involve construction in hilly or mountainous terrain?	_____	<u>      X      </u>
21. Could any grading, blasting, excavating or drilling be required to implement the project?	<u>      X      </u>	_____
22. Will the project involve construction in areas involving possible geologic or soils hazards or in areas subject to periodic flooding?	_____	<u>      X      </u>

- |  | YES        | NO         |
|--|------------|------------|
| 23. Could the proposed project have any effect on the quality or quantity, of either surface or subsurface existing water supplies?  | _____      | X<br>_____ |
| 24. Will the operation or activities of the project exceed any established national, state or local environmental standards (air, water, noise, vibration, glare, etc)?  | _____      | X<br>_____ |
| 25. Will the project involve the application, use or disposal of potentially hazardous materials requiring a special permit by the Municipal Code?   |            |            |
| NOTE: Examples include, but are not limited to, toxic substances (including pesticides, rodenticides, and herbicides), radioactive wastes, or use of explosive materials.  |            |            |
|  | _____      | X<br>_____ |
| 26. Could the project generate a controversy or result in public objections?   | _____      | X<br>_____ |
| 27. Has an environmental impact report already been prepared or is one under preparation for any portion or phase of the project, or for any portion or phase of any other project that is dependent upon or directly influenced by the project? | _____      | X<br>_____ |
| 28. Other than no projects at all, are there any less environmental offensive alternatives to the project?   | _____      | X<br>_____ |
| 29. Would the project have a significantly beneficial effect upon the environment?   | X<br>_____ | _____      |
| 30. Could the existing environmental conditions (social, economic or physical) subject the project to any potentially adverse effects?   |            |            |

NOTE: Examples of such conditions are:

Natural hazards, (i.e., flood plains, seismic zones, landslide prone areas, fire hazard areas, etc.)

Non-natural conditions (i.e., disturbing noise levels, polluted air or water, high crime rate neighborhoods, etc.)

\_\_\_\_\_ X  
\_\_\_\_\_

Submitted by: Kitty Siu  
(Owner/Applicant)

Prepared by: (If by other than the owner or applicant)

Kitty Siu  
Name

1149 S Broadway 8th floor  
Address

Los Angeles  
City

## Section I

### A. Description of Project

#### 1. Objectives – Purpose of Project

This Project will construct concrete sidewalk to close a gap in the existing path of travel on the North side of National Boulevard to provide the pedestrian connectivity between Clarrington Avenue and Jasmine Avenue adjacent to the Metro Exposition Line Palms station.

#### 2. Project Characteristics

The improvements include the construction of concrete sidewalk, concrete curb and gutter, asphalt concrete pavement and traffic striping.

#### 3. Existing Use of Property

The existing use of Property

#### 4. Relationship of Other Projects

Other Projects

#### 5. Other Project Permits Required

N/A

### B. Description of Existing Environmental Conditions

CITY OF LOS ANGELES  
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS  
BUREAU OF ENGINEERING  
1149 S. BROADWAY, 7th FLOOR  
LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA 90015  
CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT  
NOTICE OF EXEMPTION  
(Articles II and III – City CEQA Guidelines)

COUNTY CLERK'S USE

Submission of this form is optional. The form shall be filed with the County Clerk, 12400 E. Imperial Highway, Norwalk, California, 90650, pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21152(b). Pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21167(d), the filing of this notice starts a 35-day statute of limitations on court challenges to the approval of the project.

<b>LEAD CITY AGENCY AND ADDRESS:</b> City of Los Angeles c/o Bureau of Engineering 1149 S. Broadway, 6 <sup>th</sup> Floor, MS 939 Los Angeles, CA 90015	<b>COUNCIL DISTRICT</b> 5
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<b>PROJECT TITLE:</b> National Blvd Sidewalk between Clarington and Jasmine (W.O. E1908239 / CIP No. M987)	<b>LOG REFERENCE</b>
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**PROJECT LOCATION:** National Boulevard between Clarington Avenue and Jasmine Avenue and 10131 National Boulevard, in the West Los Angeles Community Plan Area of the City of Los Angeles (see *Figure 1: Project Location*). T.G. Page 632, Grid F7

**DESCRIPTION OF NATURE, PURPOSE, AND BENEFICIARIES OF PROJECT:** The project will construct approximately 455 linear feet of 9-foot wide sidewalk on the north side of National Boulevard between Clarington Avenue and Jasmine Avenue. Improvements include construction of concrete curb, gutter, concrete sidewalk, partial asphalt concrete pavement, and striping. Three street trees, Mexican fan palms, will be removed and will be replaced with six *Chilopsis linearis* trees (see Section I for details). The project also includes a single directional bike lane on the north side of National Boulevard. This project will eliminate an existing gap in the sidewalk by connecting the existing sidewalks constructed under the METRO (formerly MTA) Expo II Project and a private developer (B-permit work). Right of way, a permanent street easement approximately 150 square feet in size, over the property at 10131 National Boulevard is needed for the project. The project will provide safe and uninterrupted accessibility for pedestrians and bicyclists. Please see the project description continuation in the narrative for more details. On July 19, 2023, the Board of Public Works determined the project was exempt under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and approved the tree removal permit for the removal of three Mexica fan palms.

<b>CONTACT PERSON</b> Billy Ho	<b>CONTACT INFORMATION</b> Billy.ho@lacity.org
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<b>EXEMPT STATUS: (Check One)</b>	<u><b>CITY CEQA GUIDELINES</b></u>	<u><b>STATE CEQA GUIDELINES</b></u>
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CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION\*      Art. III, Sec. 1 Class 1 Cat. 3 & 4      Sec. 15301 (c)

\* See Public Resources Code Sec. 21080 and set forth state and city guidelines provisions.

**JUSTIFICATION FOR PROJECT EXEMPTION:** This project is categorically exempt from CEQA pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Article 19, Section 15301 (c). Additionally, the project is exempt pursuant to *Los Angeles CEQA Guidelines* Article III, Section 1, Class 1, Categories 3 and 4 as it involves minor alterations to the street and sidewalk involving negligible expansion of use. The project will eliminate a gap in the existing sidewalk to address public safety and connectivity issues for pedestrian traffic along the north side of National Boulevard. See attached for additional details. *None of the limitations set forth in State CEQA Guidelines 15300.2 apply (see attached narrative).*

**IF FILED BY APPLICANT, ATTACH CERTIFIED DOCUMENT OF EXEMPTION FINDING**

SIGNATURE:  Maria Martin	TITLE: Environmental Affairs Officer Environmental Management Group	DATE: 07/25/2023
FEE: \$75.00	RECEIPT NO.	REC'D BY
		DATE

## CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION NARRATIVE

### I. DESCRIPTION OF NATURE, PURPOSE, AND BENEFICIARIES OF PROJECT, CONTINUED

The project is in an area zoned M1-1, Light Industrial and the General Plan Land Use is Hybrid Industrial. The Santa Monica Freeway is located just north of the project site. Presently, there is a gap in the sidewalk on the north side of National Boulevard between Clarington and Jasmine Avenues, see Figures 2 and 3. The westerly approach at National Boulevards and Clarington Avenue is too narrow for pedestrians and bicyclists. The neighborhood's population continues to grow, and more people are walking and biking on National Boulevard to take advantage to the several new businesses and shops in the area. Additionally, pedestrians and bicyclists who use Metro Rail service will benefit as a result of improved street and sidewalk conditions.

In compliance with the Migratory Bird Treaty Act (MBTA) and California Fish and Game Code Sections 3503 and 3503.5, removal of the three Mexican fan palm trees would take place outside of the nesting bird season (February 1 to September 1) to the extent feasible and will be replaced with native trees at a 2:1 ratio as required under City and Urban Forestry Division policies. In accordance with these regulatory requirements, efforts would be made to schedule removal between September 2 and January 31 to avoid the nesting bird season. A thorough survey for the presence of nesting birds / bats / raptors will be conducted by a qualified biologist within three days prior to removal. If any active nests are detected, the area will be flagged, and a minimum 250-foot (500-foot for raptors) non-disturbance buffer would be established (a modification to this buffer would be determined by the monitoring biologist and in consultation with U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and California Department of Fish and Wildlife), and would be avoided until the nesting cycle has been completed or the monitoring biologist determines that the nest has failed. If nesting birds are found, an avoidance area will be established in consultation with the resource agencies, as appropriate, around the nest until a qualified avian biologist has determined that young have fledged or nesting activities have ceased. The project site will be re-surveyed if there is a lapse in construction activities for more than seven days during the bird breeding season. A preconstruction nesting bird survey would be submitted at the conclusion of the site survey.

The six desert willow (*Chilopsis linearis*) replacement street trees will be planted within one year of removal. Additionally, these trees will be monitored and those which do not survive in the first three years would be replaced at a 1:1 ratio.

Unless otherwise stated, the proposed project will be designed, constructed and operated following all applicable laws, regulations, ordinances and formally adopted City standards including but not limited to:

- Los Angeles Municipal Code
- Bureau of Engineering Standard Plans
- Standard Specifications for Public Works Construction
- Work Area Traffic Control Handbook
- Additions and Amendments to the Standard Specifications for Public Works Construction

### II. PROJECT HISTORY

This project is proposing to construct and complete the missing sidewalk on the northside of National Boulevard to provide improved pedestrian connectivity between Clarington Avenue and Jasmine Avenue adjacent to the Metro Palms Station. The design plans were signed and indexed in 2018, and efforts were made by the Division of Real Estate to acquire the 145 square-foot permanent public street easement from the property located at 10131 National Blvd in the City of Los Angeles (parcel number 4313-024-001). On August 4, 2021, City Council approved acquisition of this property.

### III. ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

#### A. Basis for Categorical Exemption

This project falls under State CEQA Guidelines, Article 19, Section 15301 (c) as well as under City of Los Angeles CEQA Guidelines Art. III, Class 1, Cat. 3 and 4 because it involves minor alteration of an existing street and sidewalk through the construction of minor improvements including a new sidewalk eliminating a gap in the existing sidewalk to address the public safety and connectivity issues for pedestrian traffic along the north side of National Boulevard. Such proposed improvements will meet current standards for street improvement and public safety.

#### B. Consideration of Potential Exceptions to use of a Categorical Exemption

The State CEQA Guidelines (CCR Sec 15300.2) limit the use of categorical exemptions in the following circumstances:

**1. Location.** Exemption Classes 3, 4, 5, 6, and 11 are qualified by consideration of where the project is to be located – a project that is ordinarily insignificant in its impact on the environment may be significant in a particularly sensitive environment. Therefore, these classes are considered to apply all instances, except where the project may impact on an environmental resource of hazardous or critical concern where designated, precisely mapped, and officially adopted pursuant to law by federal, state, or local agencies.

This project is exempt from CEQA pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Article 19, Section 15301 (c), Class 1 (existing facility). Therefore, this exception does not apply.

**2. Cumulative Impact.** This exception applies when, although a project may not have a significant impact, the cumulative impact of successive projects of the same type in the same place, over time is significant.

This project is not expected to result in any cumulative impacts when included with successive projects in the same place and over time. The project will construct a sidewalk segment per the latest City standards to close a gap in the existing sidewalk. While other similar projects, repair/maintenance only in scope, are occurring elsewhere in the City, they have been determined to be happening in different neighborhood locations and at different times. No other projects have been identified that will occur concurrently as the street improvement in the area. This project is not anticipated to result in a cumulative impact when included with successive projects in the same place and over time. Given the life expectancy of the sidewalk and the project timing, cumulative impacts associated with this project are not anticipated to occur. Therefore, this exception has no application to this project.

**3. Significant Effect.** This exception applies when, although the project may otherwise be exempt, there is a reasonable possibility that the project will have a significant effect due to unusual circumstances.

#### Transportation/Traffic and Noise

The construction work shall be performed in accordance with Work Area Traffic Control Handbook (WATCH) as required by the California Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (CA MUTCD) published by Caltrans, imposed on projects of this nature. City construction crews will coordinate with schools and Department of Transportation according and provide flaggers when required. When the activity site encroaches upon a sidewalk, walkway or crosswalk area, pedestrians shall be provided advanced warning if they are detoured away from the activity construction site.

The project shall be constructed following any or all the applicable measures below:

1. Construction may occur from 7 am to 9 pm Monday through Friday and on Saturday from 8 am to 6 pm as allowable by *41.40 LAMC - Construction Noise*.
2. Notify all adjacent property owners and land users of the construction length, duration, and hours of noise and vibration producing construction activities, in writing.
3. Provide and make available contact information for sidewalk and street repairs and replacement concerns, on construction activities, prior to and on-site during construction.

The project site is less than one hundred feet south from the Santa Monica Freeway and in an area developed with industrial, commercial, and multi-family residential uses. Multifamily residential uses are located to the south across the street from the project site. One building has no windows on the wall facing the street. The wall of the building serves to attenuate noise from the surrounding land uses and will also attenuate construction noise. The other building is at least one hundred feet away from the project site. Per our capital improvement program, street improvements are common throughout the City. As such, there is no reasonable possibility that the project will have a significant noise impact due to unusual circumstances.

The project consists of minor street and sidewalk work to eliminate a sidewalk gap. No reasonable possibility has been identified that the project would have a significant effect due to unusual circumstances. Therefore, this exception has no application to this project.

**4. Scenic Highway.** A categorical exemption shall not be used for a project which may result in damage to scenic resources, including but not limited to, trees, historic buildings, rock outcroppings, or similar resources, within a highway officially designated as a state scenic highway.

The proposed project is not within a state designated scenic highway or within sight of any state designated scenic highway. Therefore, this exception has no application to this project.

**5. Hazardous Waste Site.** This exception applies when a project is located on a site listed as a hazardous waste site under Government Code Section 65962.5.

As of February 27, 2020, the State Department of Toxic Substances Control (Envirostor at [www.envirostor.dtsc.ca.gov](http://www.envirostor.dtsc.ca.gov)) and State Water Resources Control Board (<http://geotracker.waterboards.ca.gov>) has not listed any site within project area. Therefore, this exception has no application to this project.

**6. Historical Resources.** This exception applies when a project may cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of a historical resource.

No historical resource is known to be present within the project site. The project will occur within areas previously disturbed by grading and installation of utilities and only fairly shallow excavation is anticipated for this project.

If unanticipated historical artifacts were encountered, City Engineer Standard Specifications, Section 6-3.2, (Greenbook, 2012) states: "If discovery is made of items of archaeological or paleontological interest, the Contractor shall immediately cease excavation in the area of discovery and shall not continue until ordered by the Engineer." Therefore, during activities in which there will be ground disturbances (i.e., digging, drilling, etc.) if any evidence of archaeological, cultural, or paleontological resources are found, all work within the vicinity of the find shall stop until a qualified archaeologist can assess the finds and make recommendations. No excavation of any finds should be attempted by project personnel unless directed by a qualified archaeologist. Construction activities may continue in other areas. If the discovery proves significant under CEQA (Section 15064.5f; Public Resources Code or PRC 21082), additional work such as testing, or data recovery may be warranted.

The discovery of human remains is always a possibility during ground disturbances; State of California

Health and Safety Code Section 7050.5 states that no further disturbance shall occur until the Los Angeles County Coroner has made a determination of origin and disposition pursuant to PRC Section 5097.98. The Los Angeles County Coroner must be notified of the find immediately. If the human remains are determined to be prehistoric, the Coroner will notify the Native American Heritage Commission, which will determine and notify a Most Likely Descendent (MLD). The MLD shall complete the inspection of the site within 48 hours of notification and may recommend scientific removal and nondestructive analysis of human remains and items associated with Native American burials.

As indicated above, the project is not anticipated to result in a substantial adverse change in the significance of a historical resource. Therefore, no substantial adverse impact to cultural resources is anticipated, and as such this exception does not apply.

#### IV. REFERENCES

- California Fish and Game Code, Division 4: Birds and Mammals, Part 2: Birds [3500 – 3863]; from: [https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/codes\\_displayText.xhtml?lawCode=FGC&division=4.&title=&part=2.&chapter=1.&article=](https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/codes_displayText.xhtml?lawCode=FGC&division=4.&title=&part=2.&chapter=1.&article=)
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**Figure 1: Project Location**

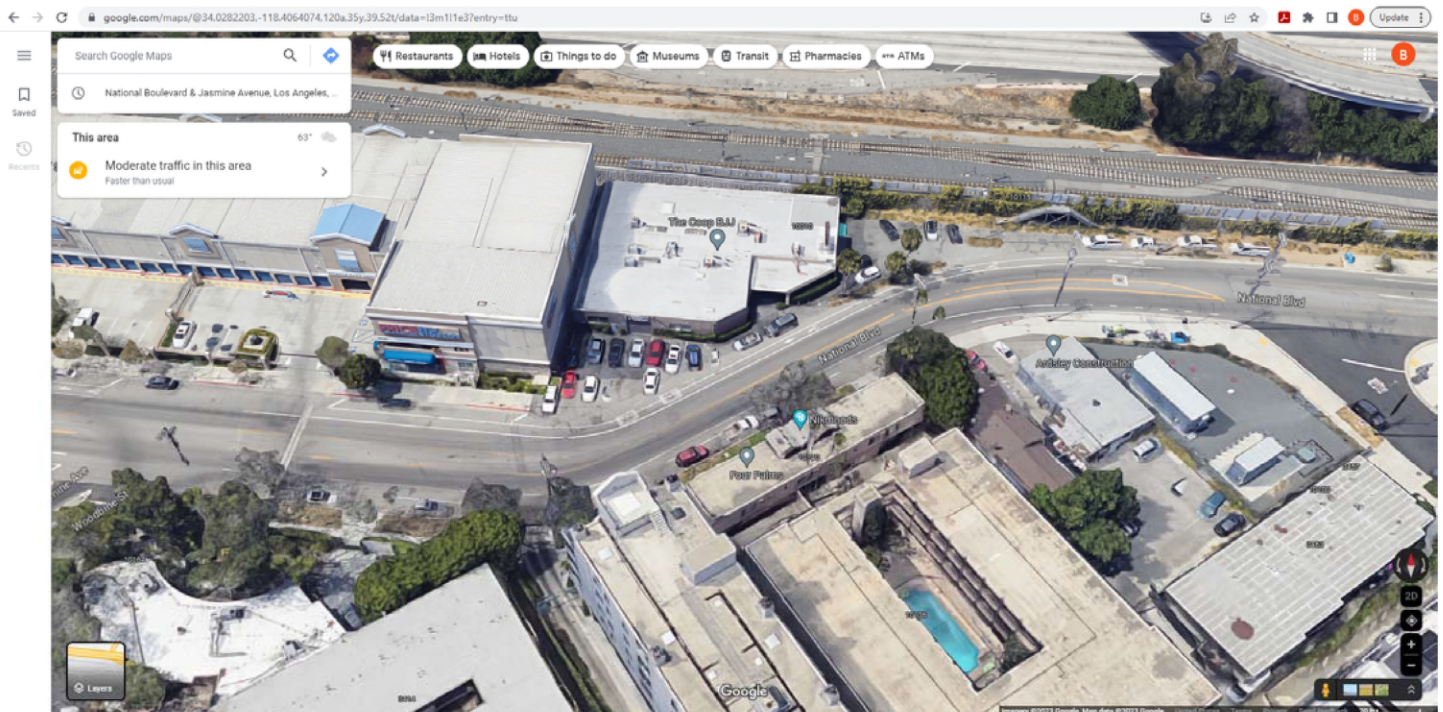


# National Blvd Sidewalk between Clarington and Jasmine (W.O. No. E1908239 / CIP No. M987)

Figure 2: National Blvd looking Northeast:



Figure 3: Bird's Eye view of Project Limits



CONSENT AND WAIVER FORM FOR VACATION PROJECTS

Office of the City Engineer
Attention: Permit Case Management Division
Land Development Group
201 North Figueroa Street
2nd Floor, Suite 290
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Date: February 1, 2024
Work Order:
Council File No:

Dear Sir/Madam:

The undersigned hereby certifies to be the owner(s) of the property in the City of Los Angeles, County of Los Angeles, State of California, legally described as:

Block "I" of the Palms, as per Map recorded in Book 21, Pages 43 and 44 of Miscellaneous Records, in the of the Office of the County Recorder of said County
(Lot, Tract No.) (Parcel, Parcel Map L.A. No.) (Other)

I (We) am (are) informed that proceedings for the vacation of: 393 square feet on
the north side of National Boulevard approximately 100 feet west of Clarington Avenue
(Street Name, Alley, Walk, Other, and Location)

which lies southeasterly (i.e., northerly, northeasterly, southwesterly, etc) of and adjoins my (our) property, have been instituted by the City of Los Angeles under Council File No.

I (We) hereby consent to this vacation and waive any and all damages that may accrue to my (our) property by reason of said vacation.

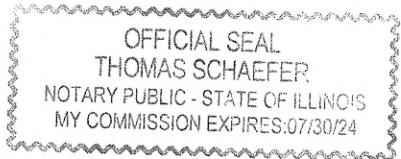
It being understood that the above waiver relates solely to the vacating of the public easement over the above mentioned public right of way, pursuant to the Public Streets, Highways, and Service Easements Vacation Law of the California Streets and Highway Code. This Consent and Waiver is binding upon the undersigned, their heirs, successors in interest and assignees.

Table with 3 columns: NAME (Print and Sign), ADDRESS, DATE. Includes handwritten entries for John D. Kermath, Trustee, The Addison H. Kermath Residuary Trust, 230 Maple Rd, Barrington, IL 60010, dated 3/5/24.

----- Attach Notarial Acknowledgement Below -----

Have this form signed, notarized, and return to the Permit Case Management Division

STATE IL COUNTY Cook
SIGNED BEFORE ME 5 DAY Mar 24 20
NOTARY PUBLIC [Signature]



**EXHIBIT "A"**  
LEGAL DESCRIPTION  
NATIONAL BOULEVARD VACATION

THAT PORTION OF NATIONAL BOULEVARD SHOWN AS RAILROAD AVENUE ON THE MAP OF THE PALMS, IN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, AS PER MAP RECORDED IN BOOK 21 PAGES 43 TO 45, INCLUSIVE, OF MISCELLANEOUS RECORDS, IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY RECORDER OF SAID COUNTY, LYING NORTHERLY AND WESTERLY OF A LINE DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

COMMENCING AT THE ANGLE POINT IN THE CENTERLINE OF NATIONAL BOULEVARD, EAST OF WOODBINE STREET, AS SHOWN IN THE CITY ENGINEER'S FIELD BOOK NO. 13002, PAGE 40 ON FILE IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY ENGINEER OF LOS ANGELES;

THENCE ALONG SAID CENTERLINE OF NATIONAL BOULEVARD, NORTH 57°38'28" EAST 164.81 FEET, TO THE BEGINNING OF A TANGENT CURVE CONCAVE SOUTHERLY HAVING A RADIUS OF 210.00 FEET;

THENCE EASTERLY ALONG SAID CURVE THROUGH A CENTRAL ANGLE OF 38°53'15", AN ARC LENGTH OF 142.53 FEET TO A POINT BEING TANGENT TO SAID CENTERLINE;

THENCE NORTHERLY ALONG A RADIAL LINE, NORTH 06°31'43" EAST 30.00 FEET TO THE NORTHERLY RIGHT-OF- WAY OF SAID NATIONAL BOULEVARD, BEING 30 FEET HALF WIDTH;

THENCE ALONG SAID NORTHERLY RIGHT-OF-WAY OF NATIONAL BOULEVARD, NORTH 83°28'17" WEST 84.72 FEET TO THE EASTERLY CORNER OF BLOCK I AS SHOWN ON SAID MAP OF THE PALMS, SAID CORNER BEING THE **POINT OF BEGINNING**;

THENCE ALONG A RADIAL LINE PASSING THROUGH THE MIDPOINT OF THE PREVIOUSLY DESCRIBED CURVE, SOUTH 12°54'54" EAST 14.52 FEET TO THE MIDPOINT OF A CURVE, CONCENTRIC WITH AND DISTANT 30 FEET NORTHERLY FROM THE PREVIOUSLY DESCRIBED CURVE;

THENCE WESTERLY ALONG LAST SAID CURVE HAVING A RADIUS OF 240.00 FEET, THROUGH A CENTRAL ANGLE OF 19°26'37", AN ARC LENGTH OF 81.45 FEET TO A POINT BEING TANGENT TO THE SOUTHEAST LINE OF BLOCK I AS SHOWN ON SAID MAP OF THE PALMS, ALSO BEING THE NORTHERLY LINE OF SAID NATIONAL BOULEVARD.

CONTAINING: 393 SQUARE FEET  
AS SHOWN ON EXHIBIT "B" ATTACHED HERETO AND BY THIS REFERENCE MADE A PART HEREOF.

ADJOINING APN: 4313-024-001



8/25/2022

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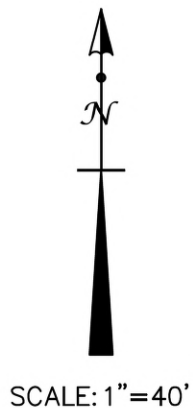
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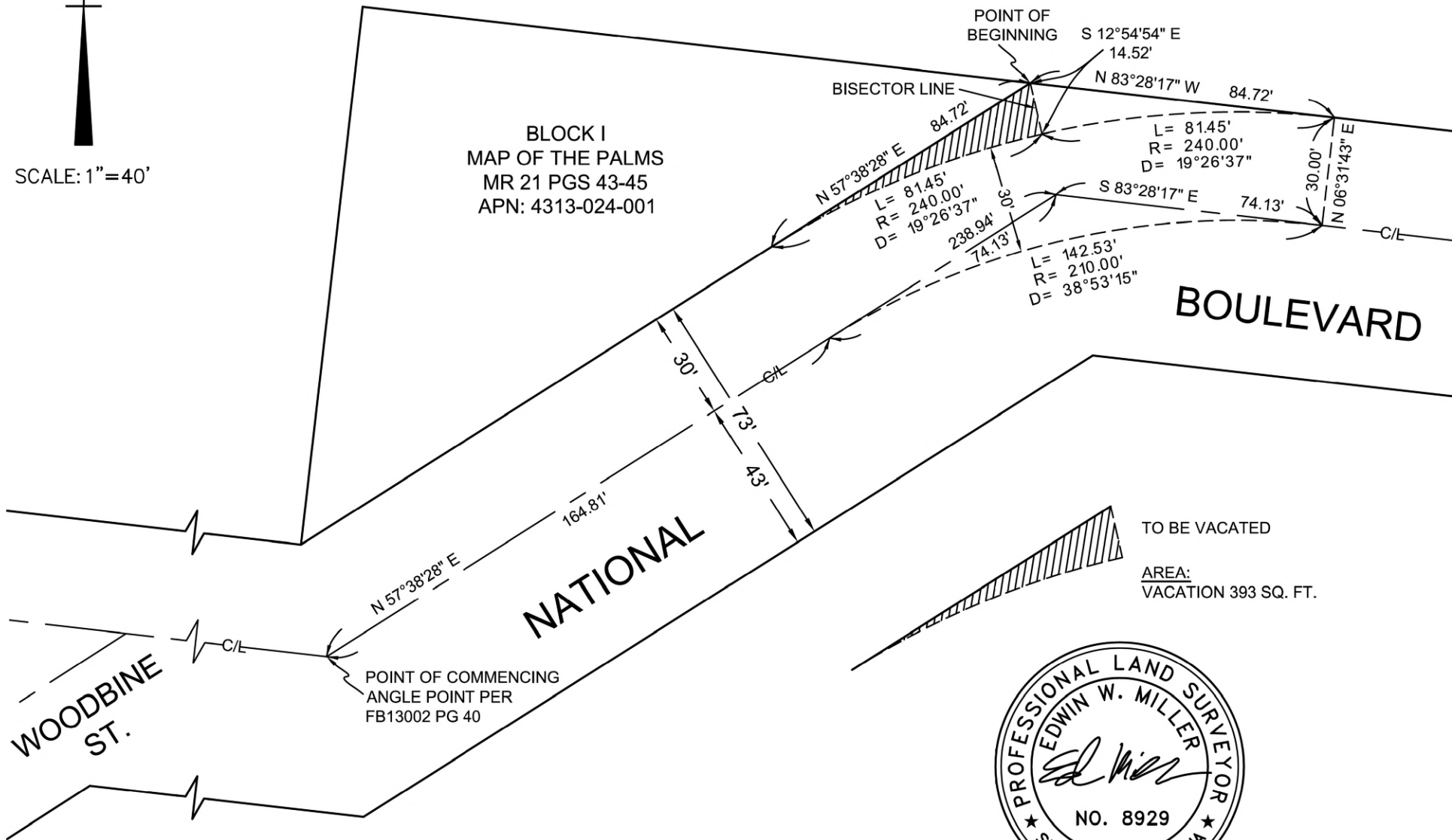
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# EXHIBIT "B"

MAP  
NATIONAL BLVD. VACATION



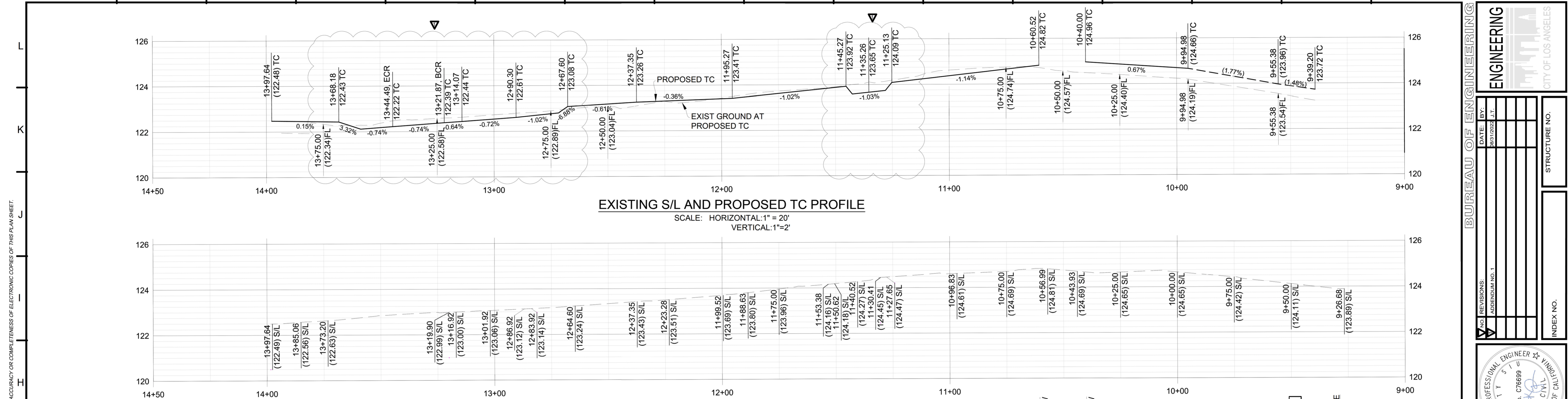
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**CONSTRUCTION LEGEND**

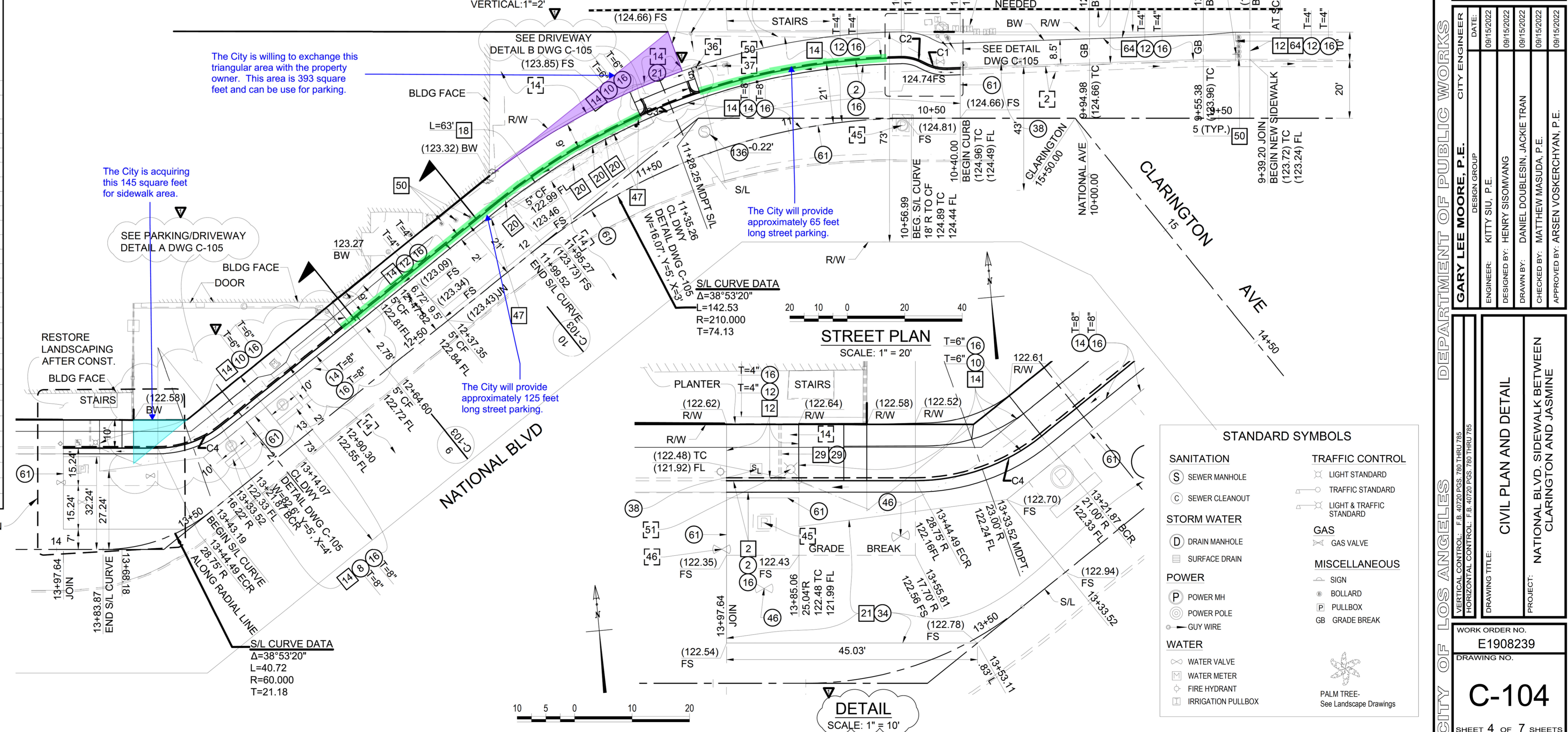
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**CONSTRUCTION ITEMS**

ITEM No.	DESCRIPTION	Standard Plan No.
2	TYPE C INTEGRAL CURB AND GUTTER, a=2', b=6"	
8	CONCRETE PAVEMENT (T=AS SHOWN ON PLAN)	
9	TYPICAL SECTION	
10	CONCRETE DRIVEWAY	S-440
12	CONCRETE SIDEWALK	S-442
14	AC PAVEMENT (T=AS SHOWN ON PLAN)	
16	CRUSHED MISCELLANEOUS BASE, (T=ON PLAN)	
18	METAL BEAM GUARDRAIL	S-462
20	TREE	
21	COLDPLANE (MILL) AC PAVEMENT, T=2" MIN.	
23	GRADE ONLY	
29	CURB DRAIN	
34	VARIABLE THICKNESS AC PAVEMENT, T=2" MIN.	
36	UTILITY POLE	S-503
37	POLE ANCHOR	
38	ADJUST STREET LIGHTING PULLBOX TO GRADE	
45	DWPPS MAINTENANCE HOLE	
46	ADJUST WATER VALVE/METER TO GRADE	
47	STREET SIGN	
48	IRRIGATION PULLBOX	
50	BOLLARD	
51	STREET LIGHT	
52	PLANTER	
61	SAWCUT	
64	UNCLASSIFIED EXCAVATION	
136	ADJUST TO GRADE SEWER MANHOLE	

**CURVE TABLE**

CURVE #	LENGTH	RADIUS	DELTA	TANGENT
C1	7.13	15.00	27°14'50"	3.64
C2	6.84	15.00	26°07'50"	3.48
C3	153.25	231.00	38°00'40"	79.56
C4	23.76	35.00	38°53'20"	12.36



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**ENGINEERING**

DATE: 09/15/2022  
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 CHECKED BY: DANIEL DOUBLESIN, JACKIE TRAN  
 APPROVED BY: ARSEN YOSKERCHYAN, P.E.

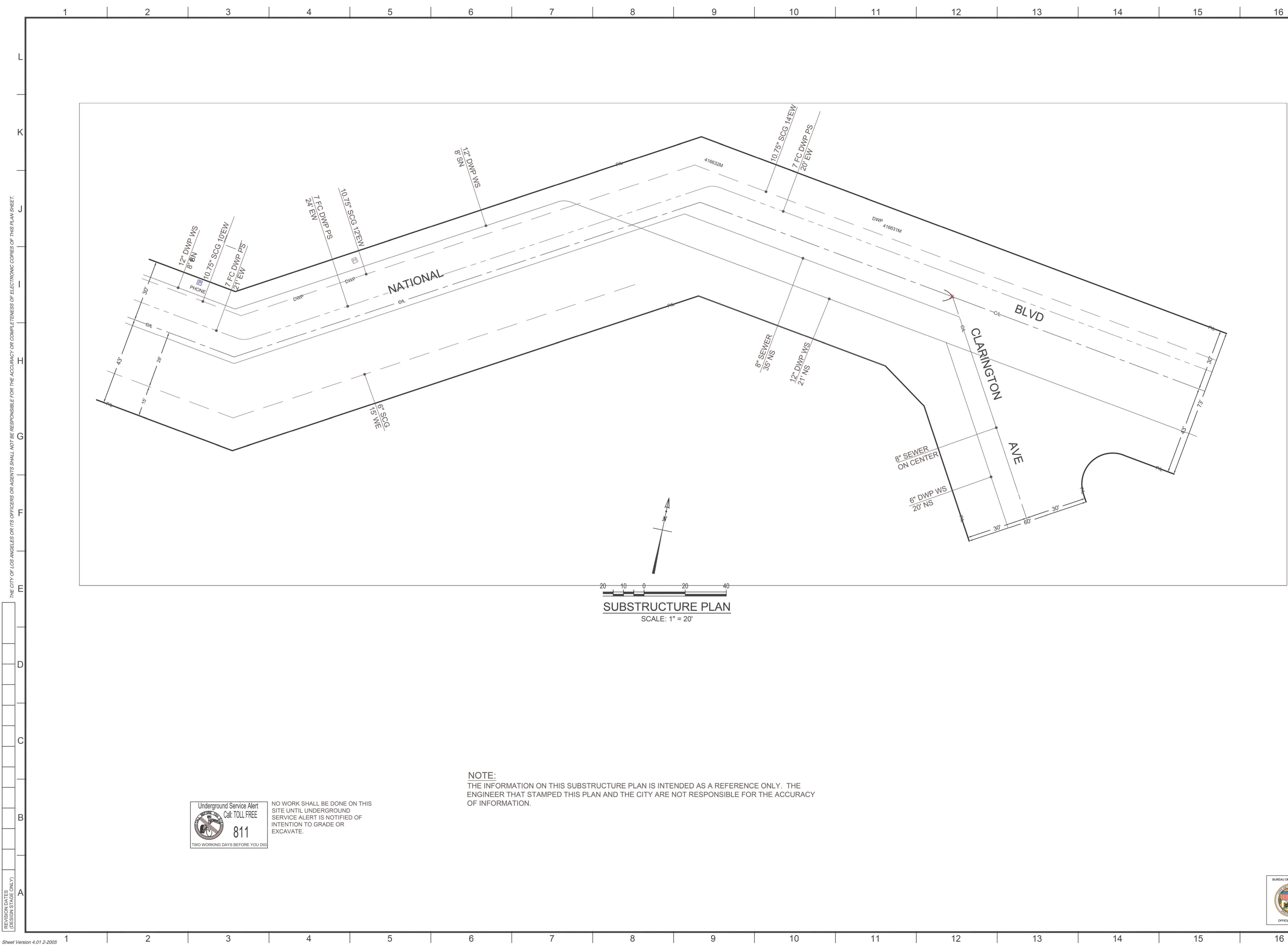
**DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS**

**CITY ENGINEER**  
 GARY LEE MOORE, P.E.

**CIVIL PLAN AND DETAIL**  
 NATIONAL BLVD. SIDEWALK BETWEEN CLARINGTON AND JASMINE

WORK ORDER NO. E1908239  
 DRAWING NO. C-104





**SUBSTRUCTURE PLAN**  
 SCALE: 1" = 20'

**NOTE:**  
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TO CITY CLERK FOR PLACEMENT ON NEXT  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING (DATE TO BE DETERMINED) #51

MOTION

In order for the City to proceed with the National Boulevard Sidewalk Improvements Project in the Palms neighborhood and satisfy conditions of a settlement agreement related to the Project, the City intends to vacate and convey a portion of property along National Boulevard as part of a land exchange with a property owner adjacent to the Project area.

Pursuant to the State Streets and Highways Code Section 8320(a)(1), the City is authorized to begin vacation procedures on its own initiative. The following recommendations do not constitute or imply approval of the vacation.

I THEREFORE MOVE that upon adoption of this motion, street vacation proceedings to vacate a portion of the northerly side of National Boulevard, approximately 100 feet westerly of Clarrington Avenue, be initiated pursuant to California Streets and Highways Code, Division 9, Part 3, Public Streets, Highways, and Service Easements Vacation Law.

I FURTHER MOVE that the Bureau of Engineering be directed to investigate the feasibility of this vacation request.

I FURTHER MOVE that the Bureau of Engineering present its report regarding the feasibility of vacating the requested area to the Public Works Committee.

I FURTHER MOVE that upon review of the Public Works Committee, the City Clerk be directed to schedule this request for the City Council's consideration at the appropriate time under the City's Street Vacation procedures.

PRESENTED BY: Katy Yaroslavy  
KATY YAROSLAVSKY  
Councilwoman, 5th District

SECONDED BY: W. Angel Ramirez

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