Staff Report and Comments Cedar Grove Property 8200 Gillead Road, Huntersville Application for COA HLC315

Exhibits presented to and considered by the Commission:

Exhibit A – Project description from the application

New Greenway restroom at existing greenway parking lot. Parking lot has previously received COA.

Exhibit B - Project Plans

Based upon the information presented in the application, staff offers the following suggested findings of fact:

- 1. The proposed restroom, adjacent to an existing paved parking lot and 300' from Gilead Rd, should not have a significant negative impact to the historic property in regard to HLC Standard 2. From Gilead Rd the impact of the restroom is reduced by its deep setback. The negative impact on the rest of the historic property is reduced as the restroom is clustered with another incongruous feature, the parking lot.
- 2. The project meets HLC Standards 9 and 10 as it does not destroy historic materials that characterize the property, and could be removed in the future without damaging any historic features that characterize the property.

Staff suggests that the Commission approve the application as shown.

THE STANDARDS

Rehabilitation is defined as the act or process of making possible a compatible use for a property through repair, alterations, and additions while preserving those portions or features which convey its historical, cultural, or architectural values.

- 1. A property shall be used for its historic purpose or be placed in a new use that requires minimal change to the defining characteristics of the building and its site and environment.
- 2. The historic character of a property shall be retained and preserved. The removal of historic materials or alteration of features and spaces that characterize a property shall be avoided.
- 3. Each property shall be recognized as a physical record of its time, place, and use. Changes that create a false sense of historical development, such as adding conjectural features or architectural elements from other buildings, shall not be undertaken.
- 4. Most properties change over time; those changes that have acquired historic significance in their own right shall be retained and preserved.
- 5. Distinctive features, finishes, and construction techniques or examples of craftsmanship that characterize a historic property shall be preserved.
- 6. Deteriorated historic features shall be repaired rather than replaced. Where the severity of deterioration requires replacement of a distinctive feature, the new feature shall match the old in design, color, texture, and other visual qualities and, where possible, materials. Replacement of missing features shall be substantiated by documentary, physical, or pictorial evidence.
- 7. Chemical or physical treatments, such as sandblasting, that cause damage to historic materials shall not be used. The surface cleaning of structures, if appropriate, shall be undertaken using the gentlest means possible.
- 8. Significant archeological resources affected by a project shall be protected and preserved. If such resources must be disturbed, mitigation measures shall be undertaken.
- 9. New additions, alterations, or related new construction shall not destroy historic materials that characterize the property. The new work shall be differentiated from the old and shall be compatible with the massing, size, scale, and architectural features to protect the historic integrity of the property and its environment.
- 10. Alterations, new additions, and adjacent or related new construction shall be undertaken in such a manner that if removed in the future, the essential form and integrity of the historic property and its environment would be unimpaired.



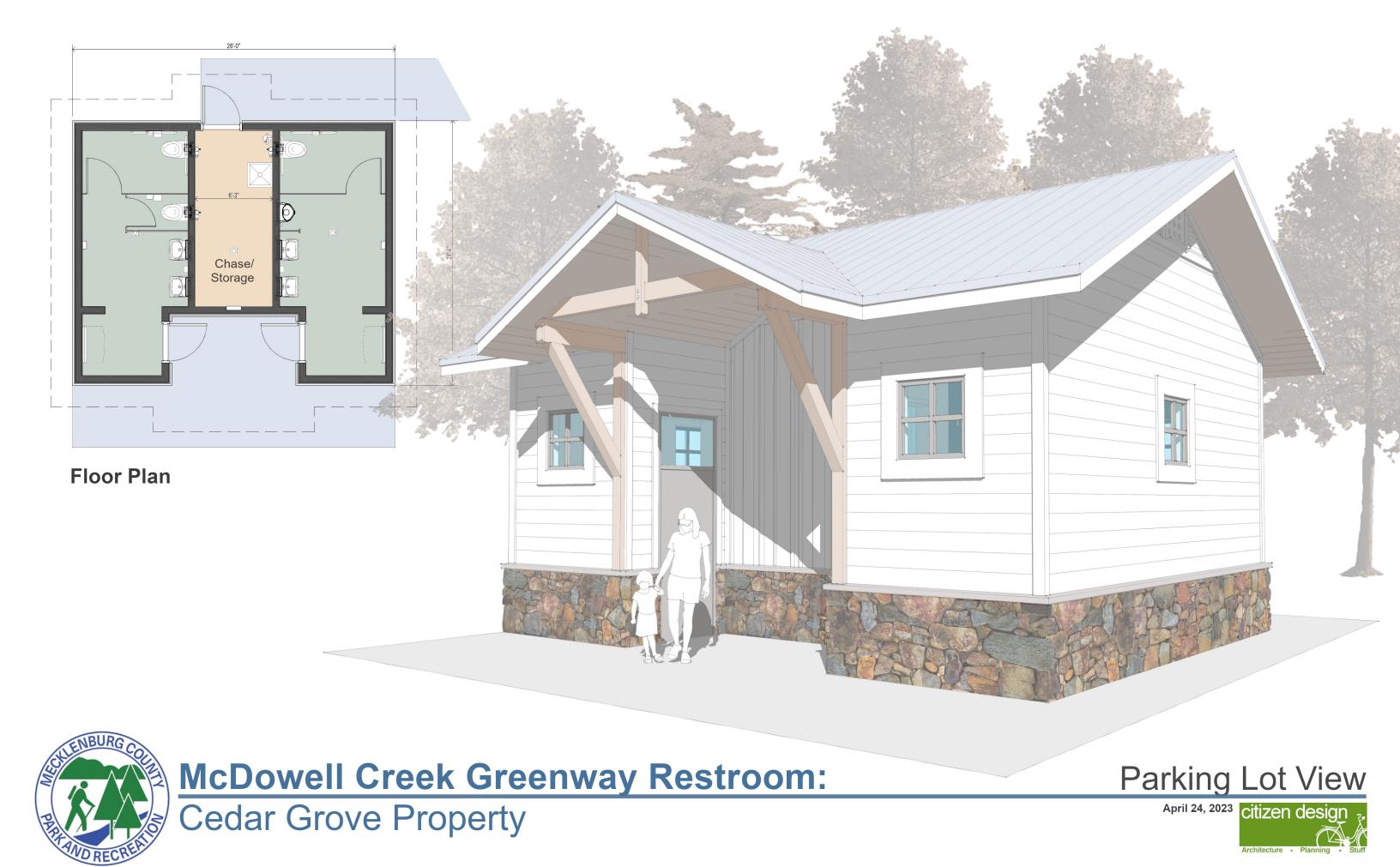


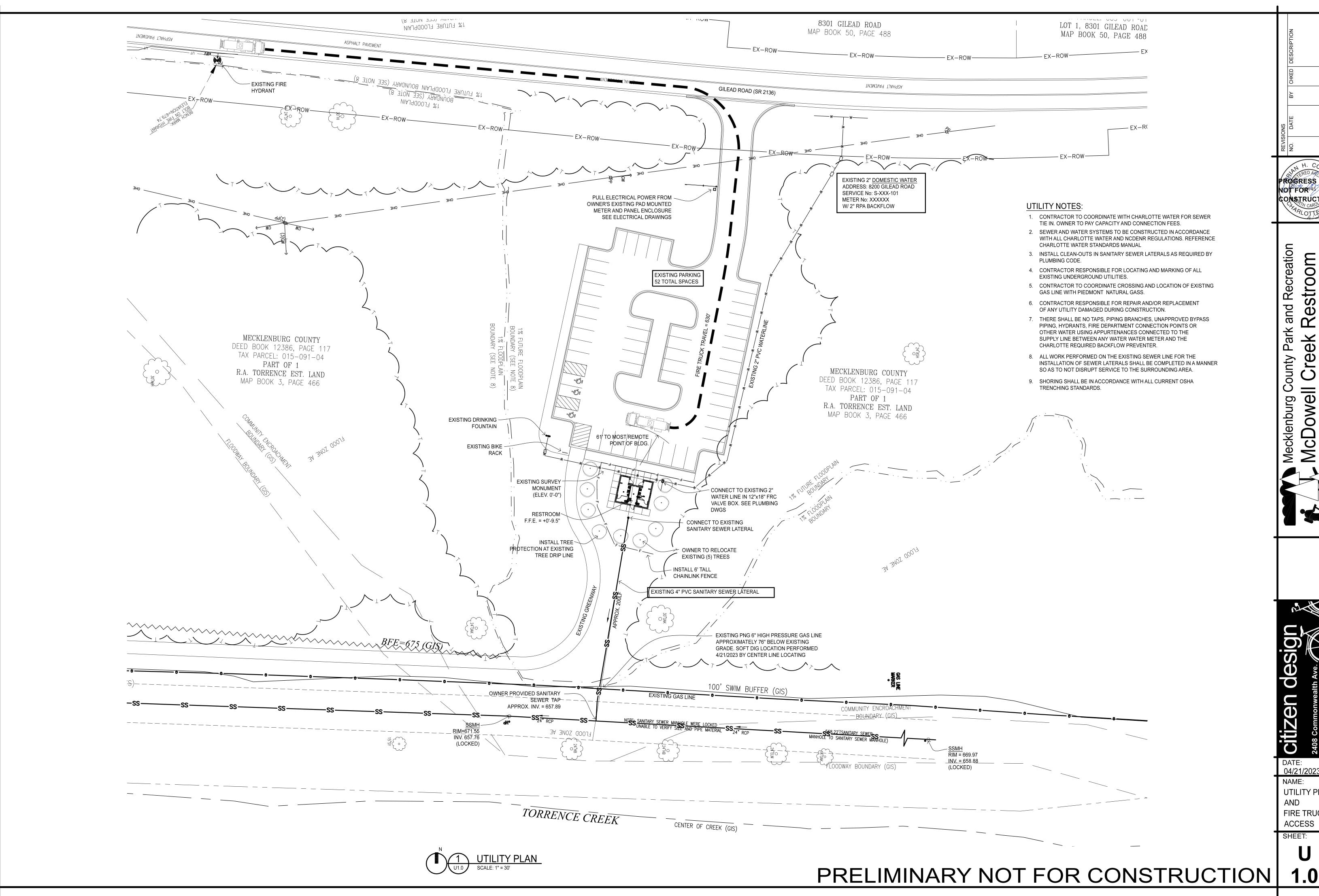
McDowell Creek Greenway Restroom:

Cedar Grove Property

Site Plan







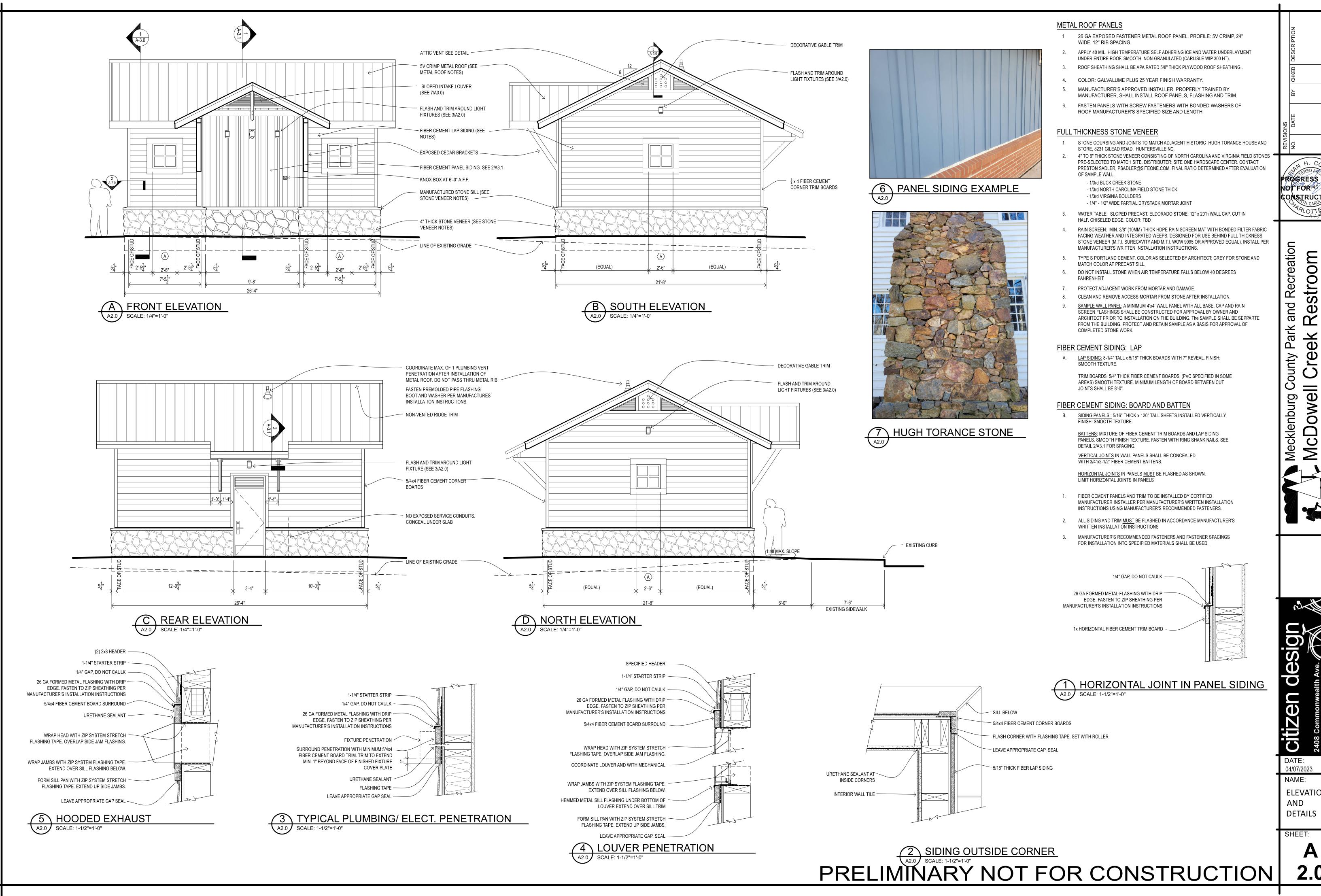
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