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# **Planning Commission Study Session**

TO: PLANNING COMMISSION / DESIGN REVIEW BOARD

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MEETING DATE: NOVEMBER 1, 2023

SUBJECT: DR23-88, FAST MARKET GAS STATION

STRATEGIC INITIATIVE: Exceptional Built Environment

Development of this site will allow for additional neighborhood services.

#### **REQUEST**

DR23-88 FAST MARKET: Site plan, landscaping, grading and drainage, elevations, floor plans, lighting, and colors and materials for approximately 2.94 acres, generally located at the southeast corner of Val Vista Drive and Queen Creek Road and zoned Shopping Center (SC) with a Planned Area Development (PAD) overlay.

#### **RECOMMENDED MOTION**

Request for input only. No motion required.

<u>APPLICANT</u> <u>OWNER</u>

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# **BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION**

# History

Date	Description
June 24, 2002	Town Council approved Z00-28, San Tan Estates PAD,
	Ordinance No.1403.
February 15, 2005	Town Council approved Z04-19, a modification to San Tan
	Estates PAD, Ordinance No. 1629.
March 24, 2011	Town Council approved Z11-01, a modification to San Tan
	Estates, Ordinance No. 2321.
June 3, 2015	Planning Commission recommended approval of Z15-08
	and approved UP15-07 for a congregate care facility
	subject to conditions and the approval of Z15-08.
June 25, 2015	Town Council approved Z15-08 DeRito Spectrum Planned
	Area
	Development, Ordinance No. 2542.
March 24, 2016	Town Council approved rezoning for Z15-24 Spectrum
	Care, Ordinance No. 2575.
May 12, 2016	Design Review Board approved DR16-03 Spectrum Care
	(The Enclave at Gilbert Senior Living), this approval
	included the master site plan and design guidelines for
	the center.
September 22, 2016	Staff administratively approved the Design Review for
	DR16-21 CST Store/Valero on the hard corner of Val Vista
	and Queen Creek.
February 6, 2019	Planning Commission approved DR18-186 Val Vista and
	Queen Creek Retail on the subject site and DR18-182 Val
	Vista & Queen Creek, Lot 3 on the western portion of the
	master site plan.
April 3, 2019	Planning Commission approved DR18-193 Superstar Car
	Wash, which included a new car wash and future
	commercial pad on the western portion of the master site
	plan.

#### Overview

The subject site is approximately 2.94 acres and is located at the southeast corner of Val Vista Drive and Queen Creek Road. The applicant is proposing a new standalone 5,676 sf convenience store and fueling facility.

The site is part of an existing overall master site plan approved in 2016, lot 2 within the master site plan, which also includes design guidelines specific to the mixed-use center. The anchor of the center is the Enclave at Gilbert Senior Living which is located directly south of the subject site and finished construction in 2018. The greater site area has seen the development of a Super Star Car Wash, Black Rock Coffee, and retail shops. The subject site received approval in 2016 for a CST Corner Store and fueling facility, but the site was never developed, and the approval has since expired.

## **Surrounding Land Use & Zoning Designations:**

	Existing Land Use Classification	Existing Zoning	Existing Use
North	Residential >2-3.5	Single Family-35 (SF-	Queen Creek Road
	DU/Acre	35)	then Vacant
South	Shopping Center (SC)	Shopping Center (SC) PAD	The Enclave at Gilbert Senior Living
East	Public Facilities/Institutional (PF/I)	Public Facilities/Institutional (PF/I)	Key Biscayne Dr. then Perry High School
West Shopping Center (SC)		Shopping Center (SC) PAD	Vacant (previously approved CST/Valero)
Site	Shopping Center (SC)	Shopping Center (SC) PAD	Vacant

### **Project Data Table**

Site Development Regulations	Standards per LDC and Ord. 2575	Proposed
Maximum Building Height (ft.)/(Stories)	35'/3 Stories	20'
Minimum Building Setback (ft.)		
Front (Queen Creek)	25'	188'
Side (Val Vista)	20'	130'

Side (non-residential)	0' (internal to master site plan)	199'
Rear	O' (internal to master site plan)	54'
Minimum Required		
Perimeter Landscape Area		
(ft.)		
Front (Queen Creek)	50'x 250' then 25'	50'x 250'
Side (Val Vista)	50'x 250' then 20'	50'x 250'
Rear	O' (internal to master	0'
	site plan)	
Landscaping (% of net lot	15%	(applicant to provide with
area)		next submittal)
Off-Street Parking and	1:100sf (57 spaces)	57
Loading		

#### DISCUSSION

The project is currently in second review and therefore additional comments, beyond what is included in this report, may be brought forward for discussion during the study session meeting.

#### Site

The applicant is proposing a new stand-alone 5,676 sf convenience store and fueling facility, located on the southeast hard corner of Val Vista Drive and Queen Creek Road. The development will utilize existing access points, a full motion access on Queen Creek Road and a right-in, right-out access on Queen Creek.

The proposed Fast Market Gas station has continued the existing landscape palette and extended pedestrian and vehicular circulation onto the site. Parking surrounds the convenience store building; however, staff has requested that the applicant consider the removal of the parking spaces on the south side of the building along the main drive aisle. 57 parking spaces are provided where 23 are required, and removal of these spaces will reduce conflict with the primary access aisle through the master site.

### Landscape

The right-of-way streetscape was installed with the first phase of the master site plan and the proposed landscaping blends with the existing streetscape. Trees include Sweet Acacia, Chinese Pistache and Lacebark Elm to name a few. A diverse variety of shrub, accent, and ground cover plants have been proposed, they include: Red Bird of Paradise, Purple Hopseed Bush and Desert Ruellia. The plants proposed are the same or similar to existing plants within the center.

#### **Grading and Drainage**

The on-site retention is proposed in the form of above-ground retention basins in the street frontage landscape area and an open space area to the east of the Fast Market Building. The proposed grading and drainage plan will generally meet the requirements of the Town of Gilbert's Engineering Division once all first review engineering comments are addressed.

### Elevations, Colors, and Materials

The fueling facility includes seven (7) fuel bays with fourteen (14) fuel pumps under a covered canopy and is approximately 180' long, 20' wide, and 17' high. The canopy itself is proposed to be painted to match the building and provides no variation in the canopy itself in colors, materials, or articulation. Staff is requesting revisions to the canopy to better align with Town of Gilbert design guidelines for architectural integration and high-quality design.

There is one (1) building proposed for the site that is approximately 23' in height to the tallest point. The primary building material is Nichiha Tuffblock and Nichiha Fiber Cement Paneling. Along the front, variations in red are used as an accent along with expansive storefront windows. Staff is requesting variation in materials along the rear and side elevations to create additional visual interest as these sides of the building do not have sufficient material or building movement. Staff notes that the rear elevation is highly visible from a primary access drive through the site.

Additionally, staff seeks Planning Commission feedback on whether or not a cultured stone wainscoting around the perimeter base of the building would benefit the overall design. Cultured stone wainscoting can be seen throughout the center and could potentially provide some continuity across the center.

#### Lighting

There are three (3) lighting types proposed, parking lot, wall mounted, and canopy. All site lighting will be required to comply with Town codes and the design guidelines for the center.

# Signage

The subject site is part of an existing Comprehensive Sign Program for Val Vista and Queen Creek (DR17-102). The project will be required to comply with this existing CSP for all signage.

The applicant has requested construction document at-risk. Staff would only support CD at-risk if the applicant is able to address all 1st/2nd review comments prior to CD submittal.

#### PUBLIC NOTIFICATION AND INPUT

The proposed project will not require public notice as specified under Land Development Code (LDC) Section 6.2.6

If after Study Session, the project has addressed all review comments and those brought forth by the Planning Commission, the project may qualify for an administrative approval.

Per LDC Section 6.6.2.B.n, projects that do not require public notice yet require approval by the Planning Commission/ Design Review Board may be approved administratively after the project is discussed by the Planning Commission/ Design Review Board at a Study Session and final exhibits meet review comments for code requirements.

#### **REQUESTED INPUT**

1. Building and Fuel Canopy Elevations

Respectfully submitted,

Ashlee MacDonald, AICP

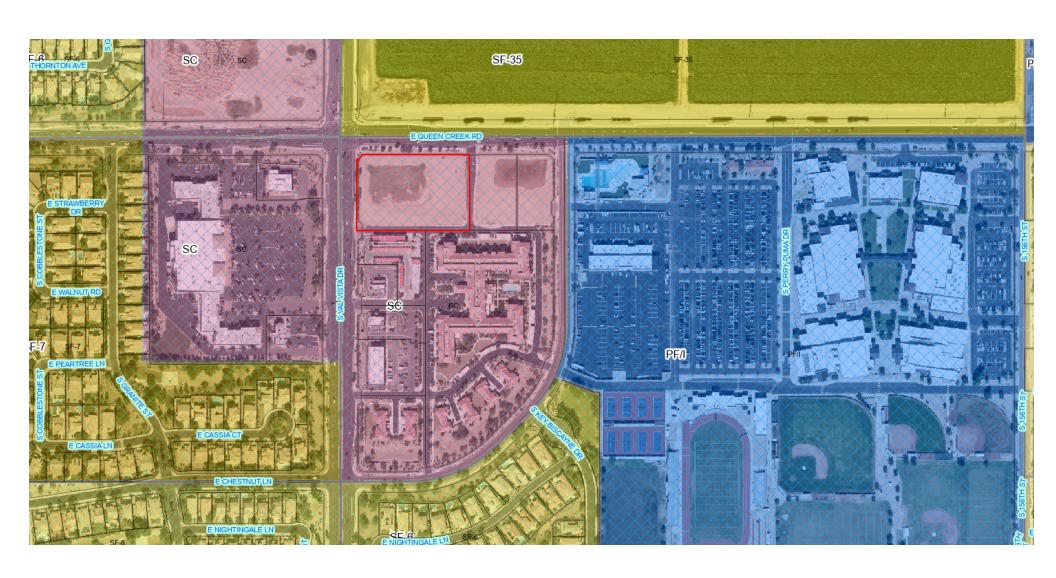
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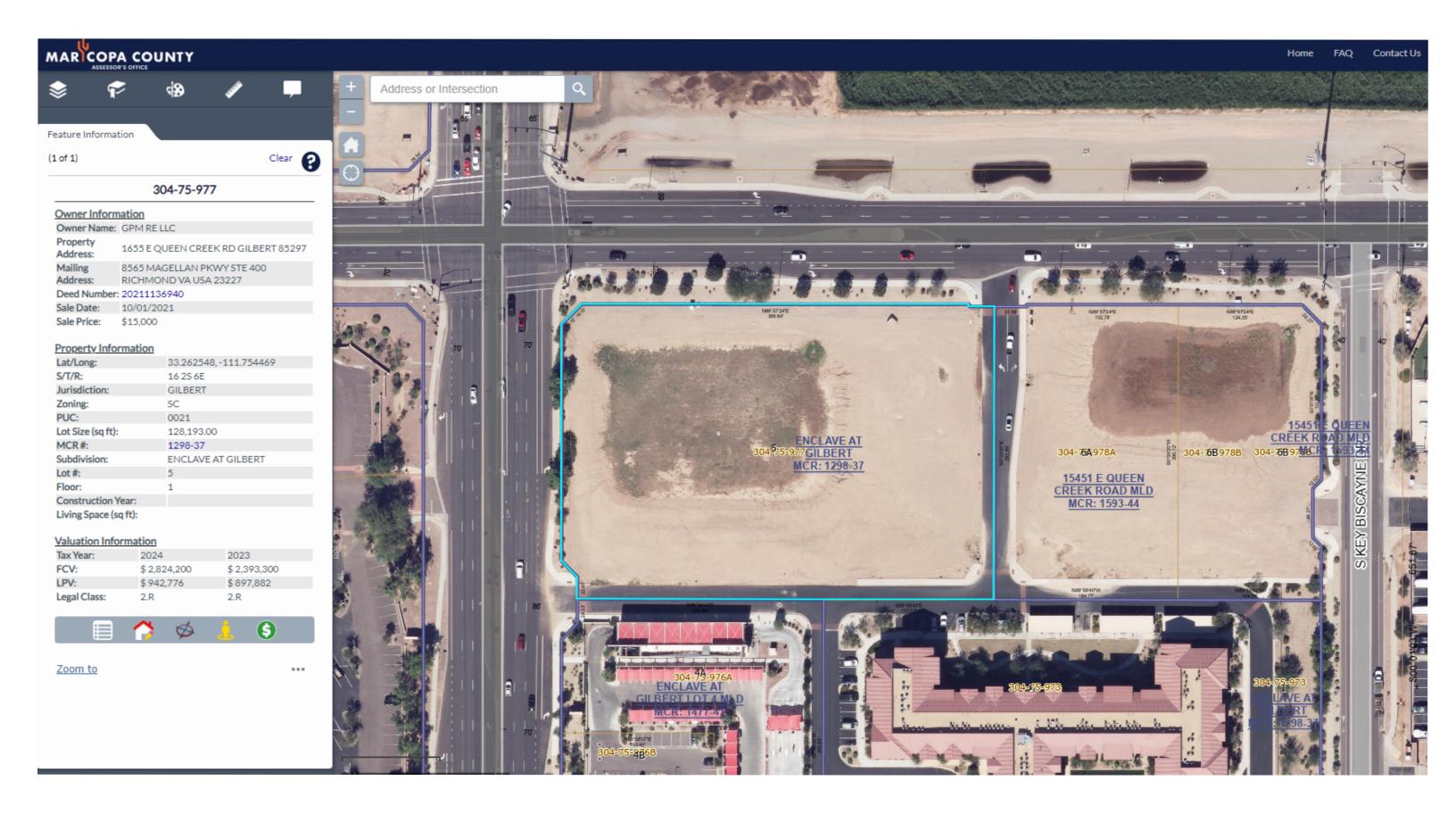
**Principal Planner** 

#### **Attachments and Enclosures:**

- 1) Vicinity Map
- 2) Aerial Photo
- 3) Site Plan
- 4) Landscape
- 5) Grading and Drainage
- 6) Elevations
- 7) Colors and Materials
- 8) Floor Plan
- 9) Lighting
- 10) Applicant's Narrative

# DR23-88 Fast Market Gas Station

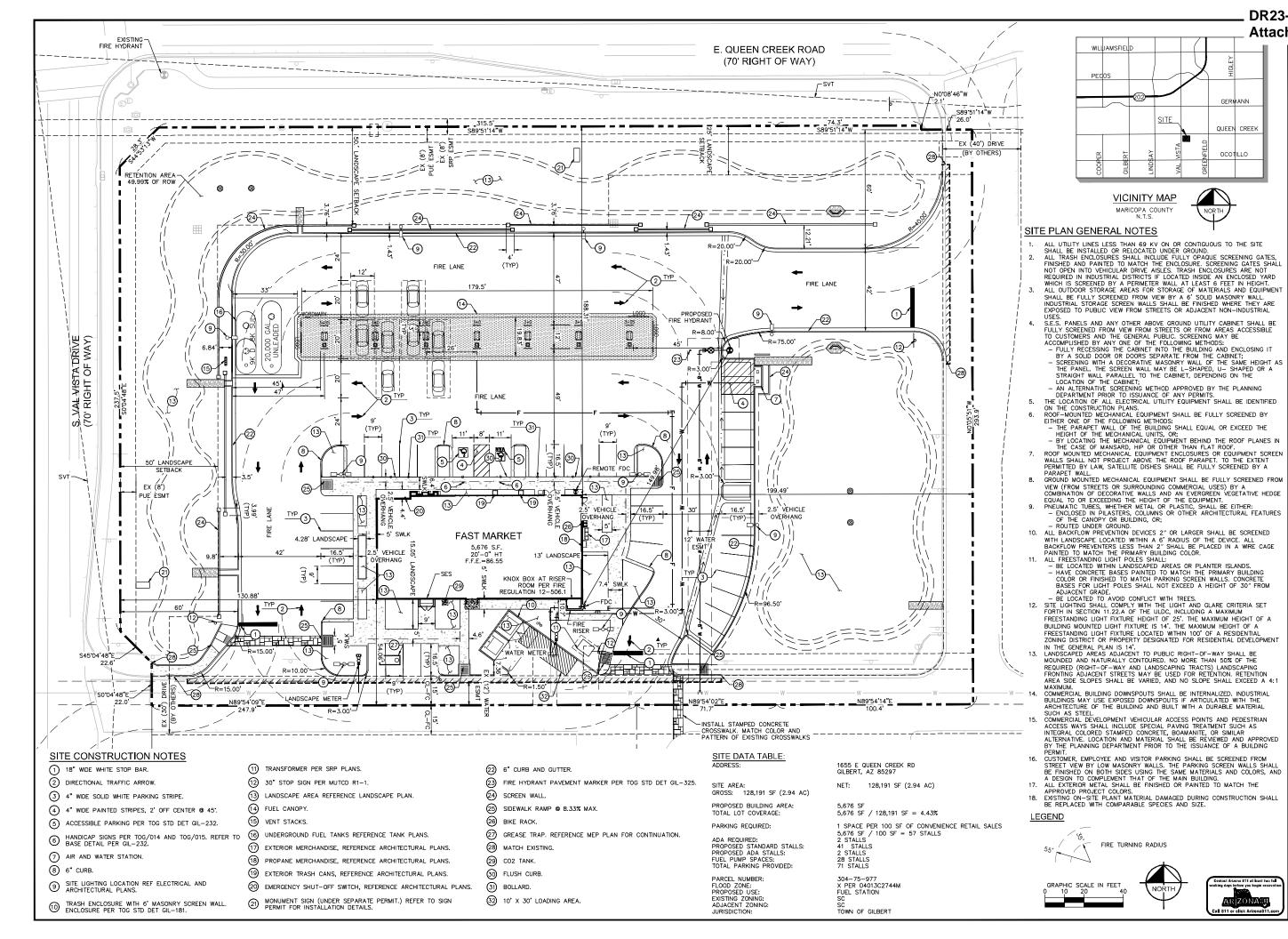


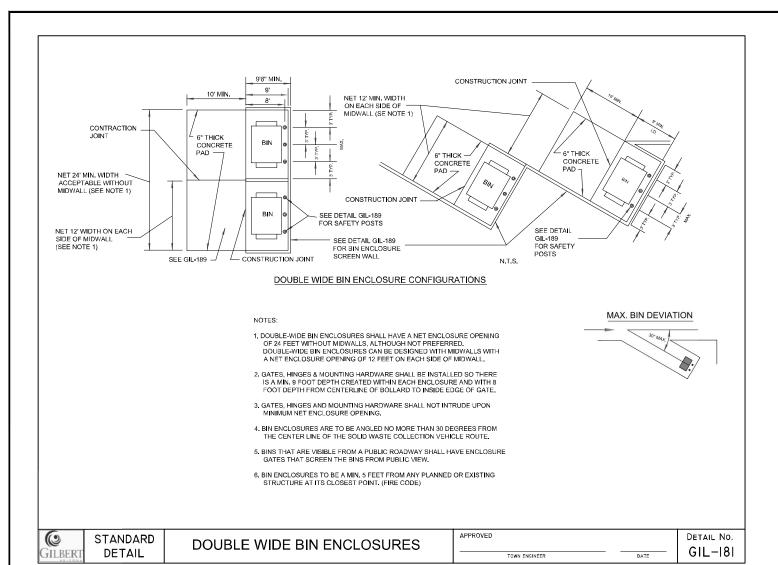


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SITE PLAN



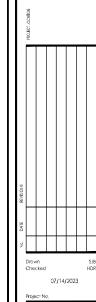


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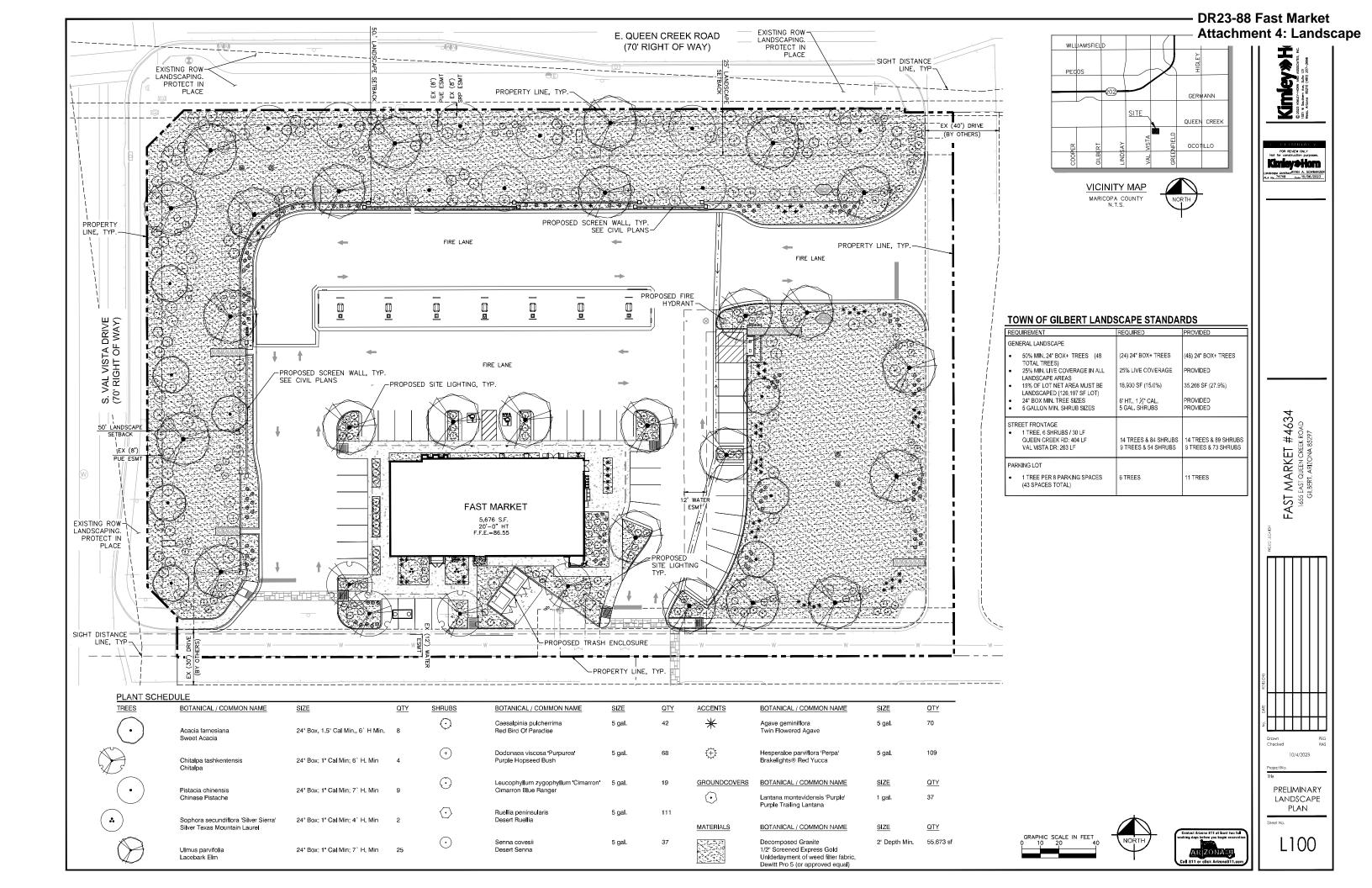


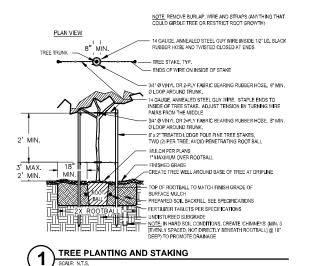
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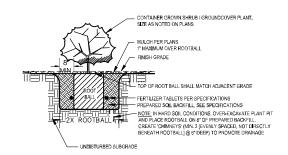


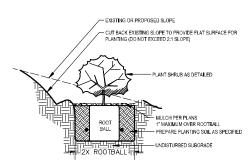
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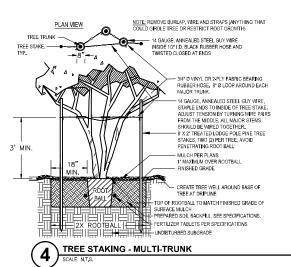




SHRUB / GROUND COVER PLANTING

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SHRUB / GROUNDCOVER PLANTING ON SLOPE
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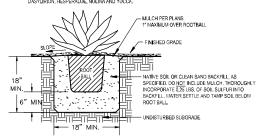


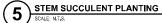
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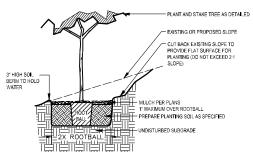
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3. THIS BETALL APPLIES TO NUTISERY GROWN AND SALVAGE STOCK OF THE GENERA AGAYE, ALOE, DASTLIFRON, HESPERACLE, ORIGINA AND TYCK.







TREE PLANTING ON SLOPE (6)

#### AMENDED PLANTING BACKFILL MIX

MIX SHALL CONSIST OF .12 PART NATIVE SITE SOIL (NO CALICHE IN BACKFILL) & 12 PART MULCH ("HUMUS)
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MATERIAL, GERETE THAIN "IN 182E SOIL BACKFILLING SHALL BE ACCOMPLISHED IN 6"LIFTS. EACH LIFT
SHALL BE WATER SETTLED WITHOUT POOLING.

#### SLOW-RELEASE FERTILIZER TABLETS

- FERTILIZER TABLETS SHALL BE AGRIFORM OR EQUAL (21 GRAM 20-16-5) SLOW RELEASE, TABLETS SHALL BE PLACED AT 1/2 THE DEPTH OF THE ROOTBALL AT THE FOLLOWING RATES.

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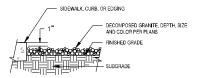
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  3 TABLETS PER 15-GALLON CONTAINER

  4 TABLETS PER 15-GALLON CONTAINER

AND AT A RATE OF 1 TABLET PER EACH ADDITIONAL 6" BOX SIZE. WHEN MULTIPLE QUANTITIES OF TABLETS ARE REQUIRED, THEY SHALL BE EQUALLY SPACED AT THE SPECIFIED DEPTH.





NOTE

1. COMPACT SUBGRADE TO 80% AND APPLY A PREMERGENT HERBICIDE TO THE SOIL BEFORE PLACING GRANTE AT REQUIRED DEPTH, RAKE SMOOTH, WE'T TO ENTIRE DEPTH, ROLL WITH A 150 LB ROLLER, THEN LIGHTLY SCHREF SURFACE WITH A LEAF RAKE, KEEP TOP OF GRANTE 1" BELOWADJACKNY WALKS, CURBS, AND THE ALB AND RISHERGES.

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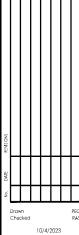
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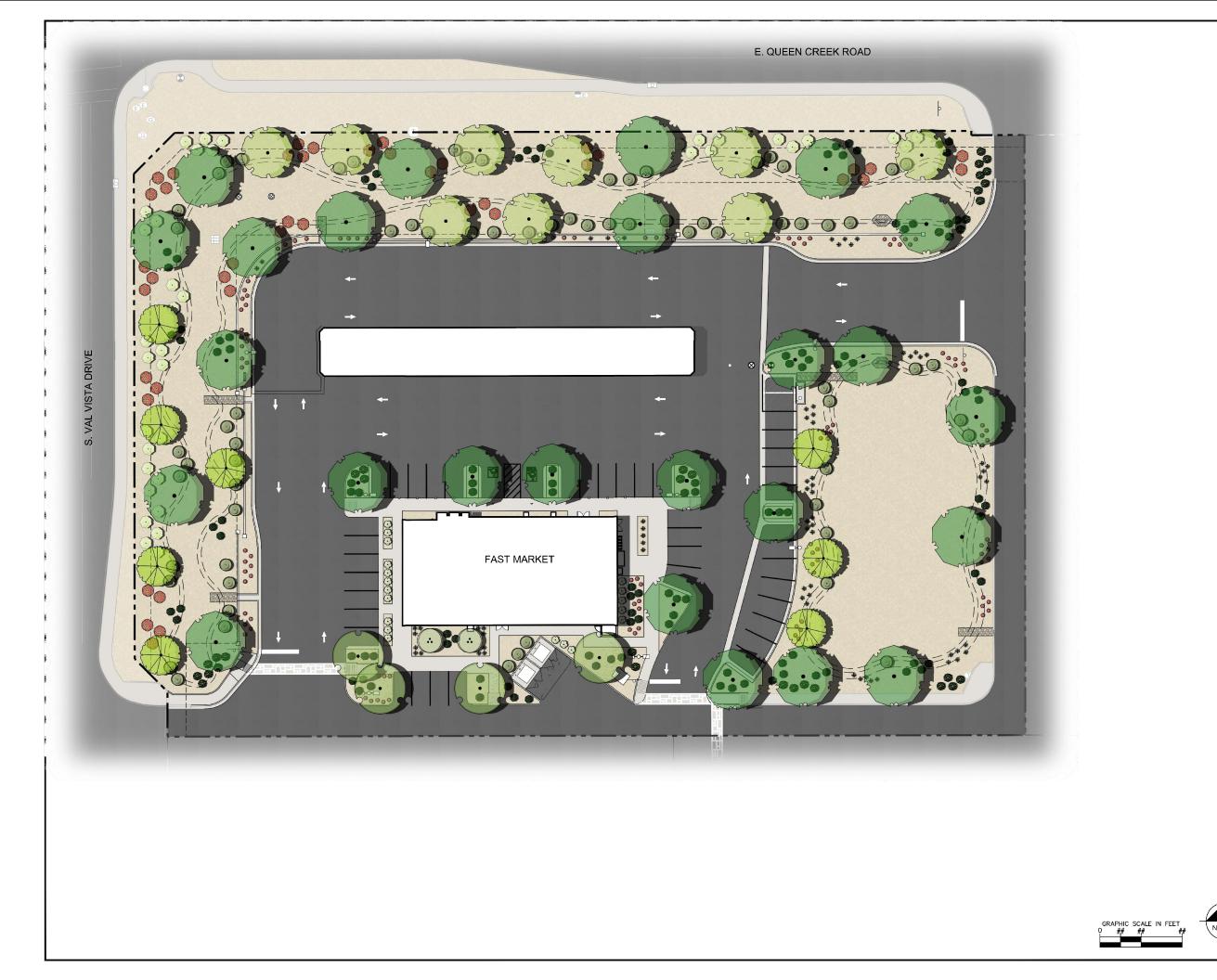
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LANDSCAPE DETAILS

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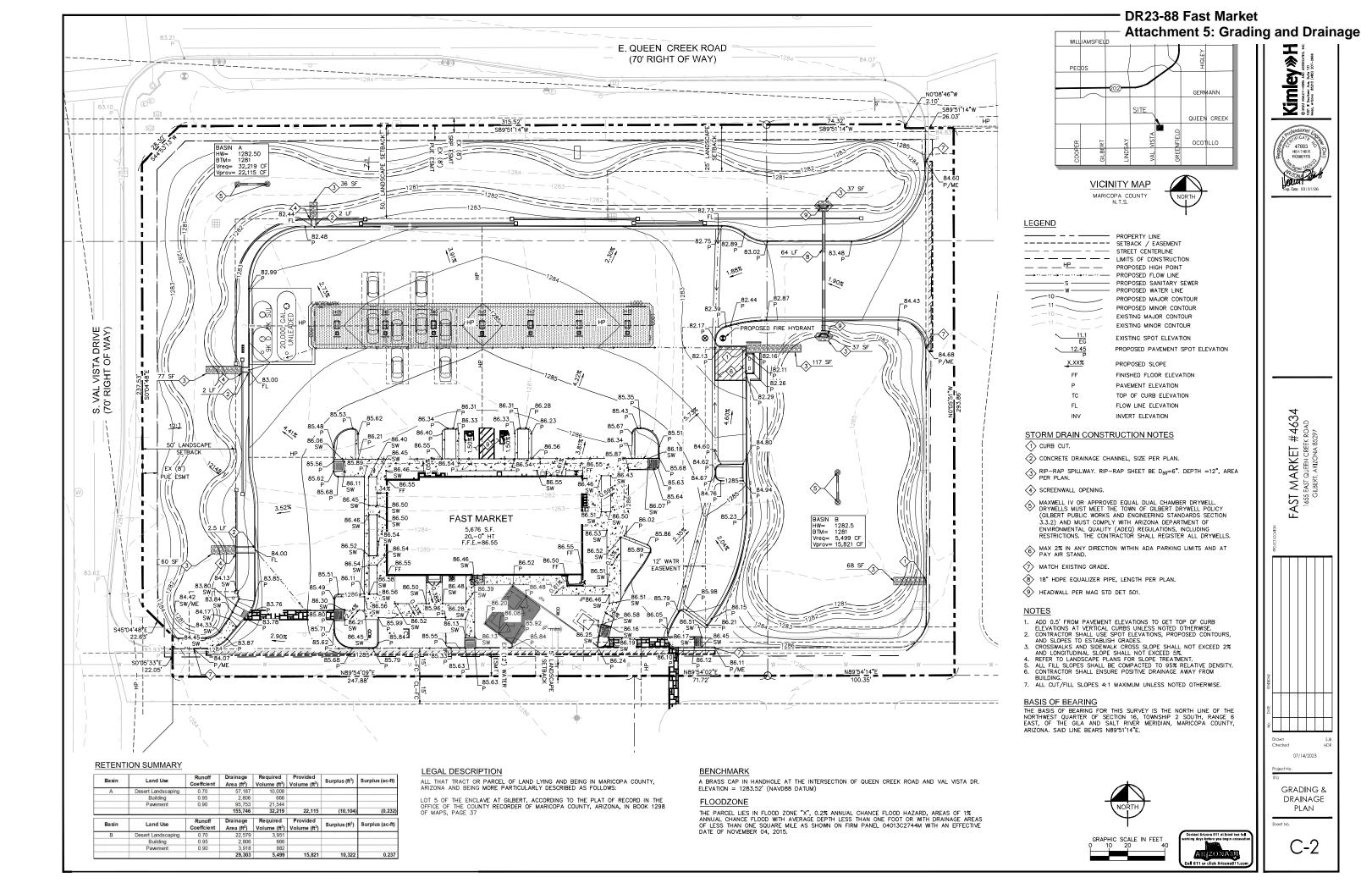
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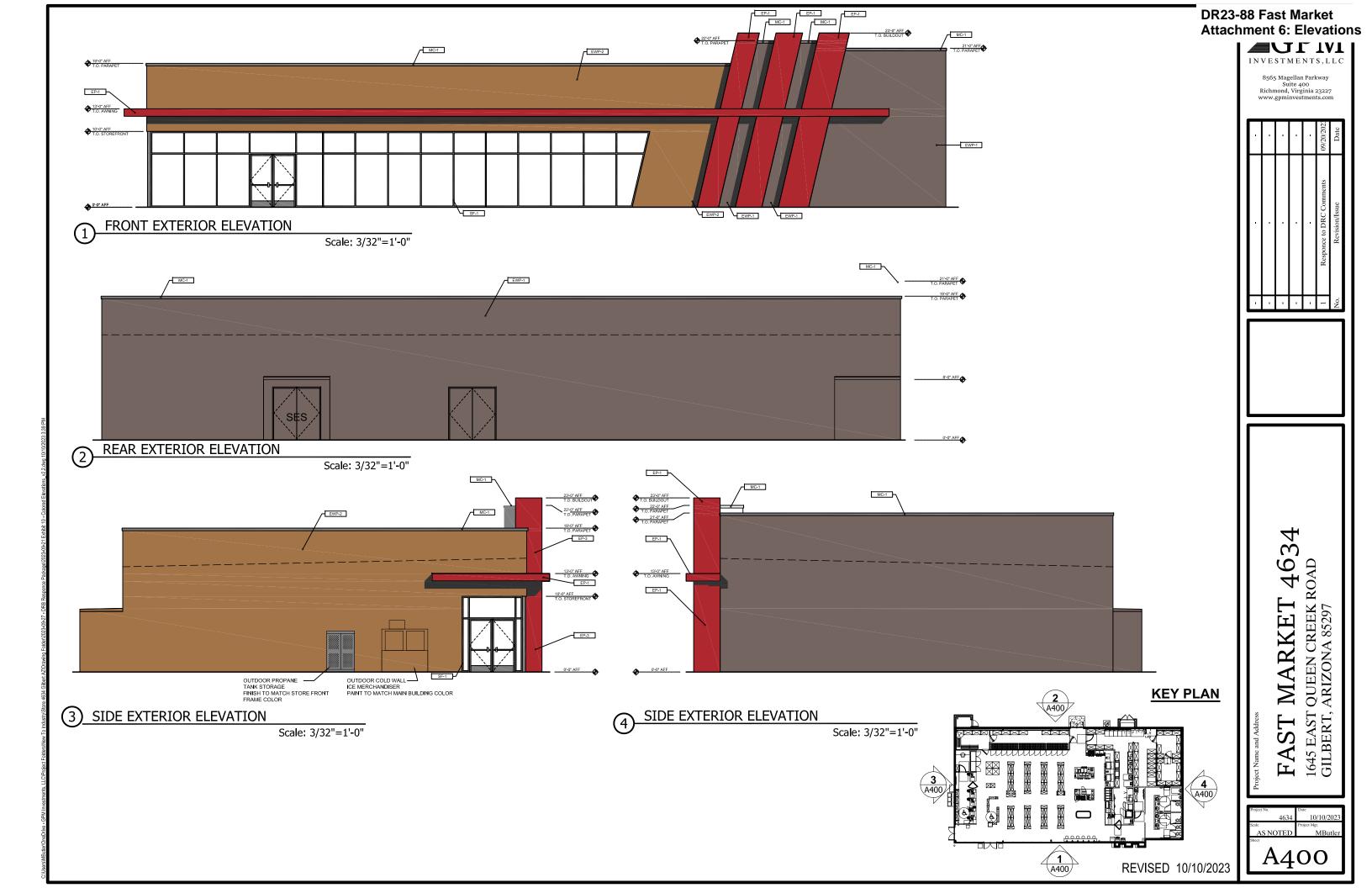
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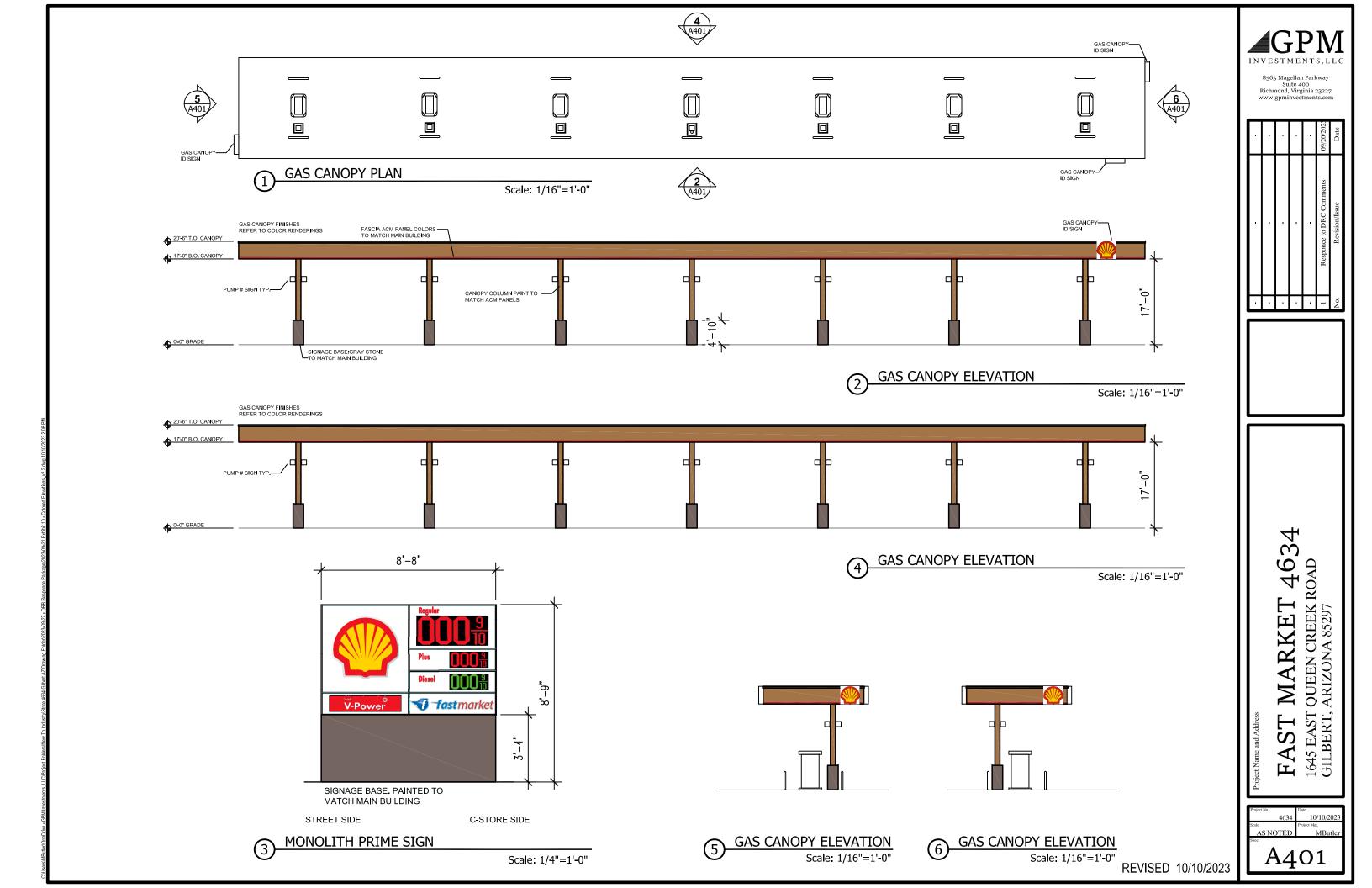
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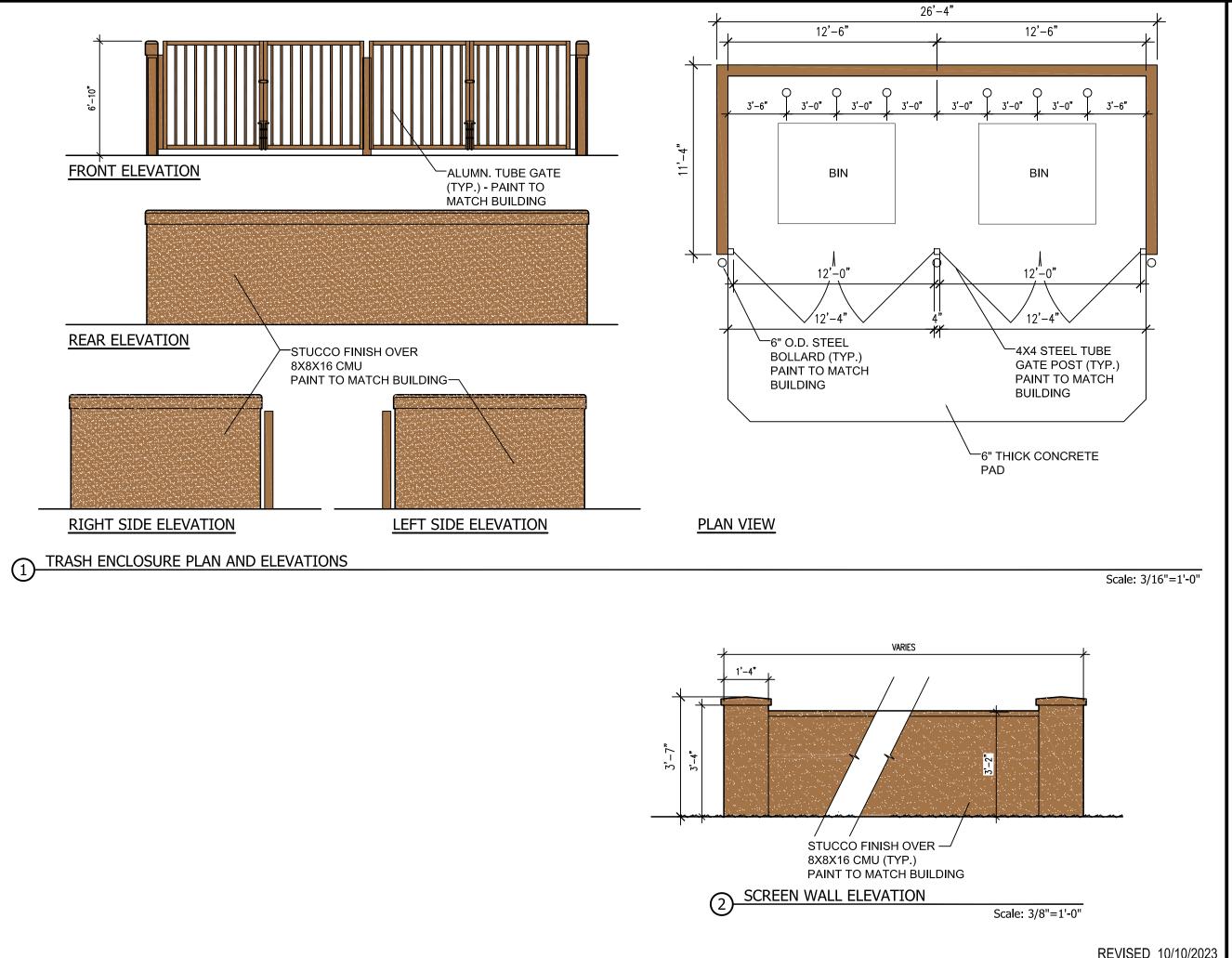
PRELIMINARY LANDSCAPE RENDER

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No.	Revision/Issue	Date

1645 EAST QUEEN CREEK ROAD GILBERT, ARIZONA 85297

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# DR23-88 Fast Market GENERAL Attachment 7: Colors and Materials

REFER TO SHEET A400 EXTERIOR ELEVATIONS FOR LOCATION OF THESE COLORS AND FINISHES.



EP-3

STYLE: PANTONE #1788
COLOR: LIGHT RED
LOCATION: NARROW VERTICAL BUILDOUT



EP-2
STYLE: PANTONE #1795
COLOR: RED
LOCATION: MIDDLE VERTICAL BUILDOUT



EP-1 STYLE: COLOR: PANTONE #1805 DARK RED

LOCATION: AWNING AND WIDE VERTICAL BUILDOUT



EXTERIOR WALL: EWP-1 STYLE:

NICHIHA TUFFBLOCK COLOR: PEWTER

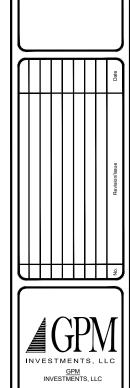


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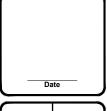
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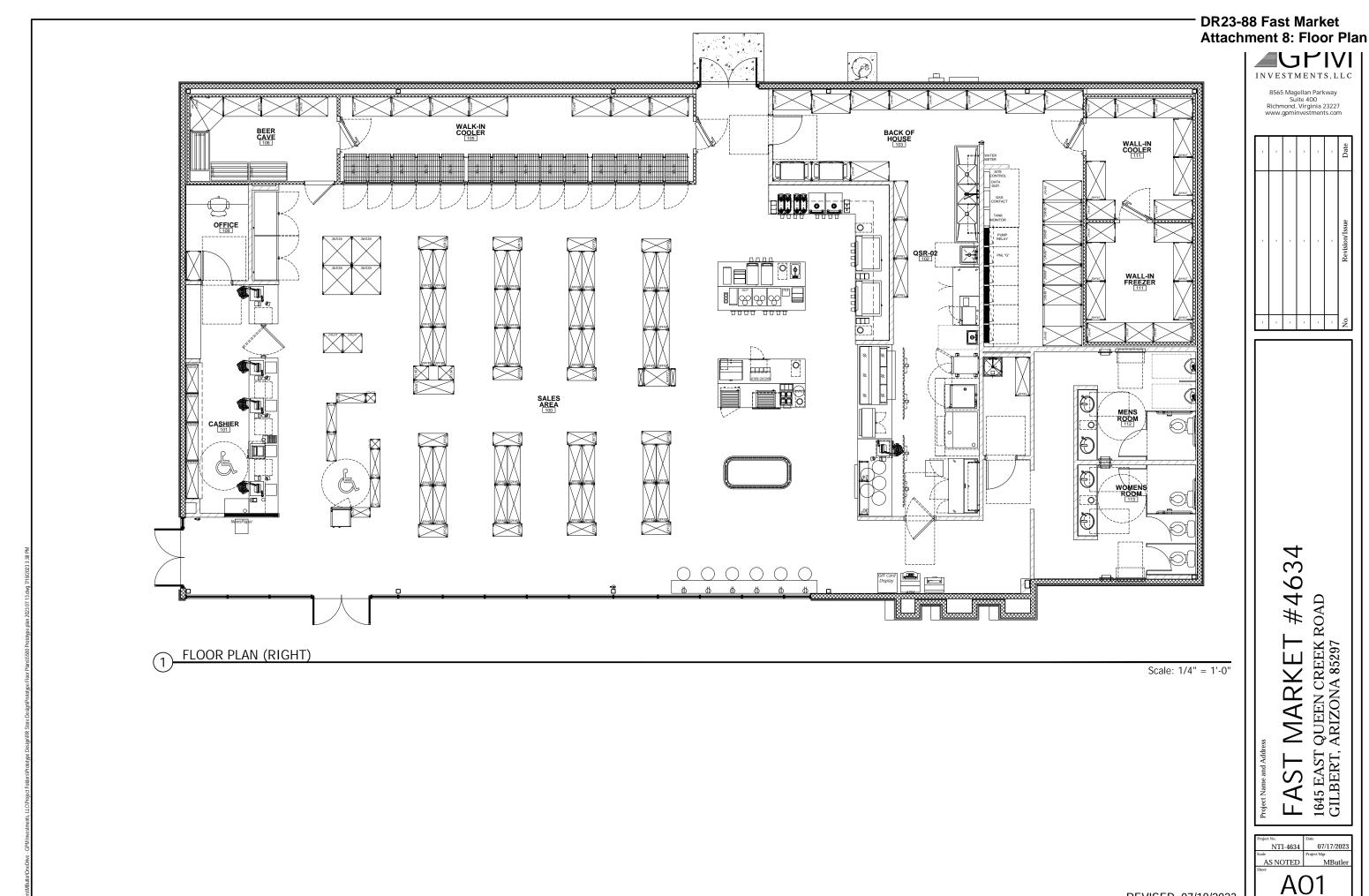








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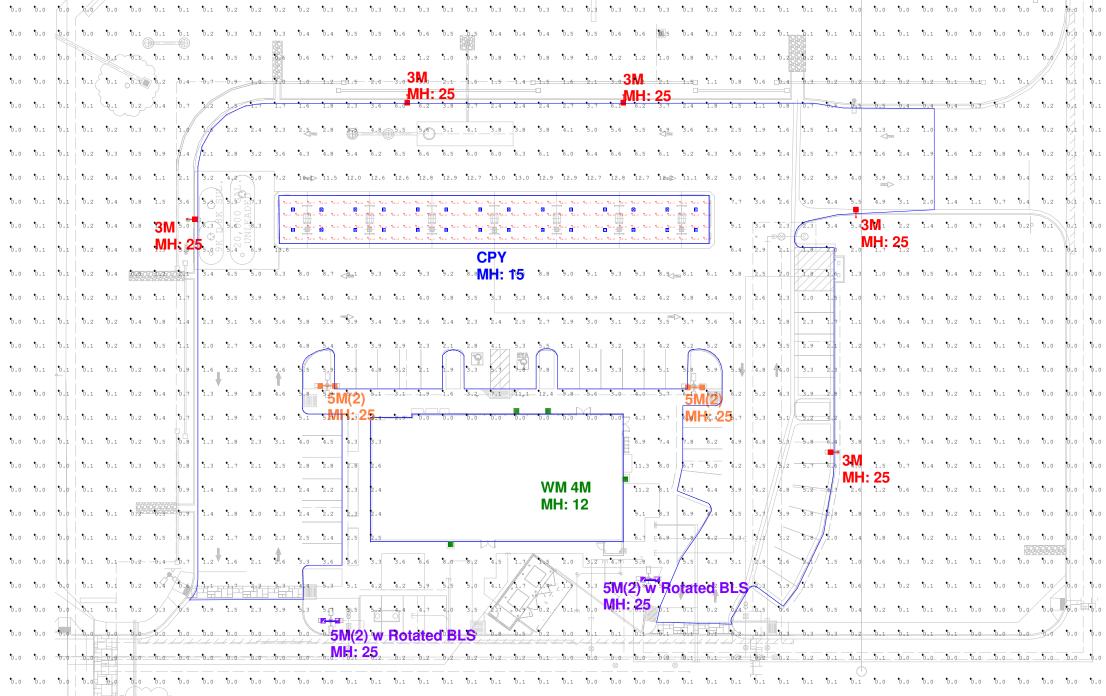
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		2	5M(2)	2 @ 180°	1.000	16000	97	OSQM-C-16L-57K7-5MNM
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		2	5M(2) w Rotated BLS	2 @ 180°	1.000	16000	97	OSQM-C-16L-57K7-5MNM

#### Fixture Mounting Height: 25' AFG (22' Pole + 3' base)

Pole Schedule (5) SSS-4-11-22-CW-BS-1D-C-\_\_ (22' X 4" X 11ga STEEL SQUARE POLE, Single) (4) SSS-4-11-22-CW-BS-2D18-C-\_\_ (22' X 4" X 11ga STEEL SQUARE POLE, 2 @ 180 deg)

(13) OSQ-ML-C-DA-\_\_ (Direct Arm Mount)

\*\*\* CUSTOMER TO VERIFY ORDERING INFORMATION AND CATALOGUE NUMBER PRIOR TO PLACING ORDER \*\*\*



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Project Name: GPM Store 4634 - Gilbert AZ -EXT

CASE #: 00561817

Footcandles calculated at grade

Filename: BM230623GBAZSDR1.AGI

Layout By: Collin Witherow

Date:10/6/2023

Scale 1" = 20'



# Design Review Application <a href="Project Narrative">Project Narrative</a>

# Fast Market SEC Val Vista Drive and Queen Creek Rd, Gilbert, Arizona

The property, which is the subject of this Design Review Application is located at 1655 E Queen Creek Road, Gilbert, Arizona, positioned at the southeast corner of Val Vista Drive and Queen Creek Road, as shown in the aerial photo below and more specifically identified as a portion of APN #304-75-977. The property is currently vacant land and is zoned SC-Shopping Center which allows for the proposed use.



# **Project Description**

The proposed Fast Market building will include the construction of a new 5,628 square foot building and fuel canopy with seven (7) fuel dispensers. The new retail facility will provide a large range of goods and services and readily consumable foods. The expanded offerings will include wide selections of fountain drinks, premium coffee, and quality food products, all within an open and inviting environment. Tables and seating areas are provided both inside and outside the store for the use and enjoyment of the customers.

## **Design Characteristics**

The development has been designed to meet the Town of Gilbert's development standards and code. The building design and orientation compliment the neighboring businesses and fall within the Town of Gilbert's General Plan by providing a variety to the streetscape with elements such as nichiha, block, landscape, curbing, pavers, and warm color palette. The building's eco-friendly landscape design provides for appropriate shade and energy conservation for both the building and patrons with additional aspects such as: the specific placement of large canopy trees around the building offering shade, double paned windows, and an overhang at the building's entrance to offer shade as patrons approach the building. The building and fuel canopy structure are appropriately scaled for the surroundings as well as the site, taking into consideration building heights and placement.

# **Accessibility**

The proposed development provides points of access, both full access and right-in-right-out, to the adjoining public right-of-way that have been designed based upon a traffic analysis of the site, specific vehicular flows, and volumes, as well as to the Town of Gilbert's standards. The location of the ingress and egress points into the property have been designed specifically to ensure safe and efficient turning movements for vehicles entering and exiting the property, and as not to impede on the existing passerby traffic. To further mitigate traffic concerns at this intersection, both access points have been placed as far east and south, respectively, away from the intersection as possible. Finally, the proposed facility contains ample room for customer parking and safe vehicle maneuvering and is fully compliant with current ADA requirements and provides accessible parking spaces immediately in front of the main building entrance and pedestrian paths of travel to the public sidewalk. The design and property enhancements described above are depicted in the site plan shown below.



# **Conclusion**

Fast Market believes the proposed development will bring new enhanced products, services and convenience to the Town of Gilbert and the local community as well as that of the traveling public. The proposed Fast Market facility will be operated 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.