

Planning Report Date: November 7, 2011

# PROPOSAL:

• Development Permit

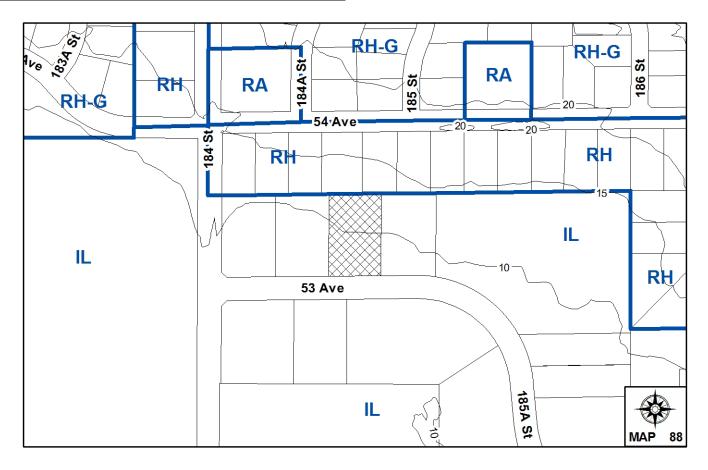
# • Development Variance Permit

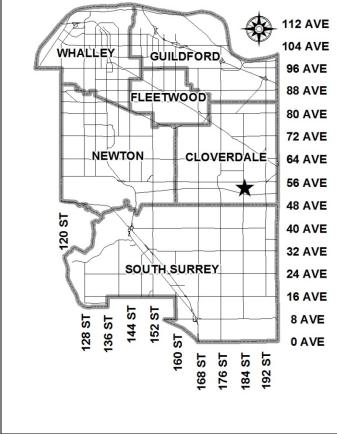
in order to allow the construction of an industrial building.

LOCATION: 18465 OWNER: BC Pla BC 061 ZONING: IL

18465 - 53 Avenue BC Plant Health Care Inc., Inc. No. BCo610308

**OCP DESIGNATION:** Industrial





#### **RECOMMENDATION SUMMARY**

- Approval to draft Development Permit.
- Approval for Development Variance Permit to proceed to Public Notification.

#### **DEVIATION FROM PLANS, POLICIES OR REGULATIONS**

• Seeking a variance to decrease the east side yard setback.

#### RATIONALE OF RECOMMENDATION

- Complies with the Industrial designation in the Official Community Plan (OCP).
- Supports the City's Economic Development and Employment Land Strategies.
- Setback relaxation is supportable as this is the last lot on the north side of the street to develop.

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

The Planning & Development Department recommends that:

- 1. Council authorize staff to draft Development Permit No. 7911-0201-00 generally in accordance with the attached drawings (Appendix II).
- 2. Council approve Development Variance Permit No. 7911-0201-00 (Appendix IV) varying the following, to proceed to Public Notification:
  - (a) to vary the minimum east side yard setback of the IL Zone from 7.5 metres (25 ft.) or 0 metre to 1.75 metres (5.75 ft.).
- 3. Council instruct staff to resolve the following issues prior to approval:
  - (a) ensure that all engineering requirements and issues including restrictive covenants, dedications, and rights-of-way where necessary, are addressed to the satisfaction of the General Manager, Engineering;
  - (b) submission of a landscaping plan and landscaping cost estimate to the specifications and satisfaction of the Planning and Development Department; and
  - (c) resolution of all urban design issues to the satisfaction of the Planning and Development Department.

#### **REFERRALS**

Engineering: The Engineering Department has no objection to the project as outlined in Appendix III.

### SITE CHARACTERISTICS

Existing Land Use: Vacant

#### Adjacent Area:

Direction	Existing Use	OCP Designation	Existing Zone
North:	Single family residential.	Suburban	RH
East:	Mixed-use industrial building.	Industrial	IL
South (Across 53 Avenue):	Mixed-use industrial building.	Industrial	IL
West:	Mixed-use industrial building.	Industrial	IL

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#### **DEVELOPMENT CONSIDERATIONS**

#### Background

• The subject lot is located on the north side of 53 Avenue and was created through subdivision application No. 7997-0028-00 as part of a 13-lot industrial subdivision (and subsequently a 12-lot subdivision due to a consolidation of 2 lots). This 3,930-square metre (42,303 sq. ft.) property is designated Industrial in the Official Community Plan (OCP) and is zoned Light Impact Industry (IL).

#### Current Proposal

- BC Plant Health Care provides a wide range of arbour cultural and horticultural services. They are relocating their office from the Newton Industrial Park to the subject site. The proposed building will include administrative offices, meeting rooms, training rooms and garage space for the maintenance of equipment and vehicles.
- The outside yard area at the rear of the building will provide for the parking of company vehicles, storage areas of landscaping materials, and provide areas for specialized training in the planting and pruning of plant material.
- The proposed development complies with the Industrial designation of the OCP and with the Light Impact Industrial designation of the Cloverdale Local Area Plan. The IL Zone permits offices for general contractors and allows for the outside storage of heavy vehicles and equipment, provided such storage is not in the front yard.
- The proposed building will be located towards the front of the property and have a total floor area of 801.8 square metres (8,630.8 sq. ft.) on two floors. The proposal represents a floor area ratio (FAR) of 0.20 and a lot coverage of 15.6% which is consistent with the maximum FAR of 1.0 and lot coverage of 60% permitted in the IL Zone.
- Part 5 of Surrey Zoning By-law No. 12000 requires one parking space for every 100 square metres (1,075 sq. ft.) of gross floor area for light impact industrial uses. As such, the proposed building requires a total of 8 parking spaces to be provided on site for both employees and customers of the business. The applicant has proposed 8 parking spaces, which complies with the By-law.

# PRE-NOTIFICATION

In accordance with Council policy, a development proposal sign was erected on the property. To date, staff has not received any comments with respect to the proposal.

# DESIGN PROPOSAL AND REVIEW

• One driveway access to the site is proposed from 53 Avenue. This driveway will be closed with a metal tube gate during the non-working hours to reduce vandalism and theft.

- The building is proposed to be constructed using hardiplank panels and aluminum storefront glazing. The building will be a myriad of beiges and browns along the front elevation and a solid darker beige colour for the remainder of the elevations. At the base of the front and wrapping around the side elevations, the applicant has proposed brownish colour ledgestone as an accent. Above the main and secondary entrances, the applicant has proposed a gable canopy supported by logs.
- To the west of the main entrance, the applicant has proposed to install decorative finished logs, with a rain barrel to capture water.
- The proposed building is 10.8 metres (27.5 ft.) in height, which is lower than the maximum 18.0 metres (60 ft.) permitted in the IL Zone. The applicant has proposed metal louvered roof top screening to screen the roof top mechanical equipment from the up-lying single family dwellings.
- The applicant has requested a free-standing sign to be located at the driveway entrance into the site. The proposed 2.0-metre (6.5 ft.) high sign is carved into a log and identifies the business name and address. The proposed sign is located more than 2.0 metres (6.6 ft.) from the front property line, which complies with the Sign By-law. Prior to issuance of the Development Permit, the applicant is to provide final detailed drawings of the proposed free-standing sign. The applicant has not indicated any fascia signage on the building.
- The applicant is proposing landscaping, concentrating it along the front and rear property lines. The front property line ranges from 3.0 metres (10 ft.) to 7.5 metres (25 ft.) in width. The treatment includes the provision of a rain garden planting. Stylized boulders and logs have been provided in this planting bed to increase the overall interest along the street frontage.
- Along the rear property line, there is a 10-metre (33 ft.) wide restrictive covenant area requiring landscaping to screen the up-lying residential lands from the industrial uses. The applicant has proposed a mixture of coniferous and deciduous trees and shrubs in this planting area.
- Overall, the applicant has proposed many unique specimens of trees and shrubs to reflect the nature of their business. The applicant has also proposed two training areas along the east and west property lines. These areas will be planted by the owner for training areas for the staff in installation and pruning of various plants and trees.
- The applicant has provided details on building and site lighting. All lighting is downward cast to reduce glare on the up-lying residents.
- For site security, the applicant proposes to install a black vinyl coated chain link fence around the perimeter of the site.

# ADVISORY DESIGN PANEL

This application was not referred to ADP but was reviewed by Planning & Development staff and found to be generally acceptable

#### **BY-LAW VARIANCE AND JUSTIFICATION**

- (a) Requested Variance:
  - To vary relax the east side yard setback of the IL Zone from 7.5 metres (25 ft.) or o metre to 1.75 metres (5.75 ft.).

#### Applicant's Reasons:

- The proposed building is shallow and wide in comparison to other industrial developments in the East Cloverdale Industrial Park. It is expensive to satisfy the requirements of the BC Building Code with the construction material to provide a zero metre setback.
- The reduced setback is proposed to be landscaped to improve the aesthetics from the driveaisle of the adjoining property.

#### Staff Comments:

• The applicant has proposed planting along the reduced setback area. This side of the building is adjacent to the driveway access for the adjoining industrial building, which creates a view corridor for the up-lying residential development. Staff have no concerns with the requested relaxation.

# **INFORMATION ATTACHED TO THIS REPORT**

The following information is attached to this Report:

Appendix I.	Lot Owners, Action Summary and Project Data Sheets
Appendix II.	Proposed Site Plan, Building Elevations, Landscape Plans and Perspective
Appendix III.	Engineering Summary
Appendix IV	Development Variance Permit No. 7911-0201-00

# **INFORMATION AVAILABLE ON FILE**

• Complete Set of Architectural and Landscape Plans prepared by Patrick Stewart Architect and Van der Zalm Associates respectively, dated October 25, 2011 and August 17, 2011.

original signed by Judith Robertson

Jean Lamontagne General Manager Planning and Development

# Information for City Clerk

Legal Description and Owners of all lots that form part of the application:

1.	(a) Agent:	Name:	Ken Zukiwsky Liberty Contact Management Inc.
		Address:	19292 60 Ave Surrey BC V3S 3M2
		Tel:	(604) 534-3412

# 2. Properties involved in the Application

(a)	Civic Address:	18465 - 53 Avenue
(b)	Civic Address: Owner: PID: Lot 3 Section 4 Towns	18465 - 53 Avenue BC Plant Health Care Inc., Inc. No. BCo610308 026-283-409 ship 8 New Westminster District Plan BCP17574

# 3. Summary of Actions for City Clerk's Office

(a) Proceed with Public Notification for Development Variance Permit No. 7911-0201-00 and bring the Development Variance Permit forward for indication of support by Council. If supported, the Development Variance Permit will be brought forward for issuance and execution by the Mayor and City Clerk in conjunction with final adoption of the associated Rezoning By-law.

# **DEVELOPMENT DATA SHEET**

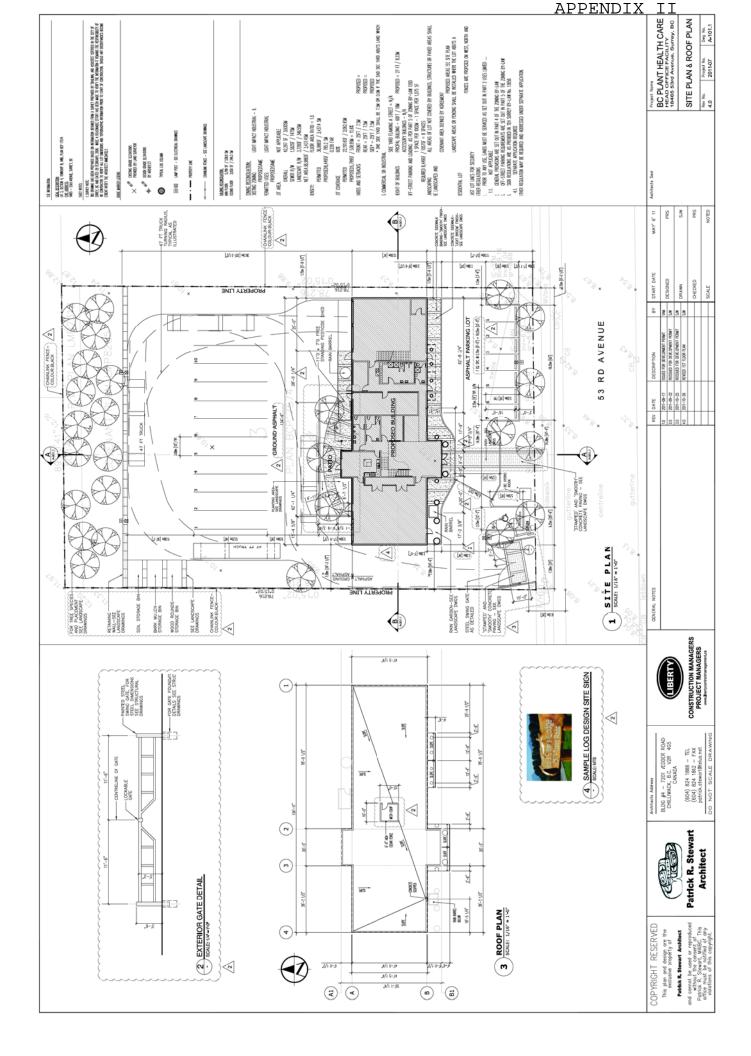
# **Existing Zoning: IL**

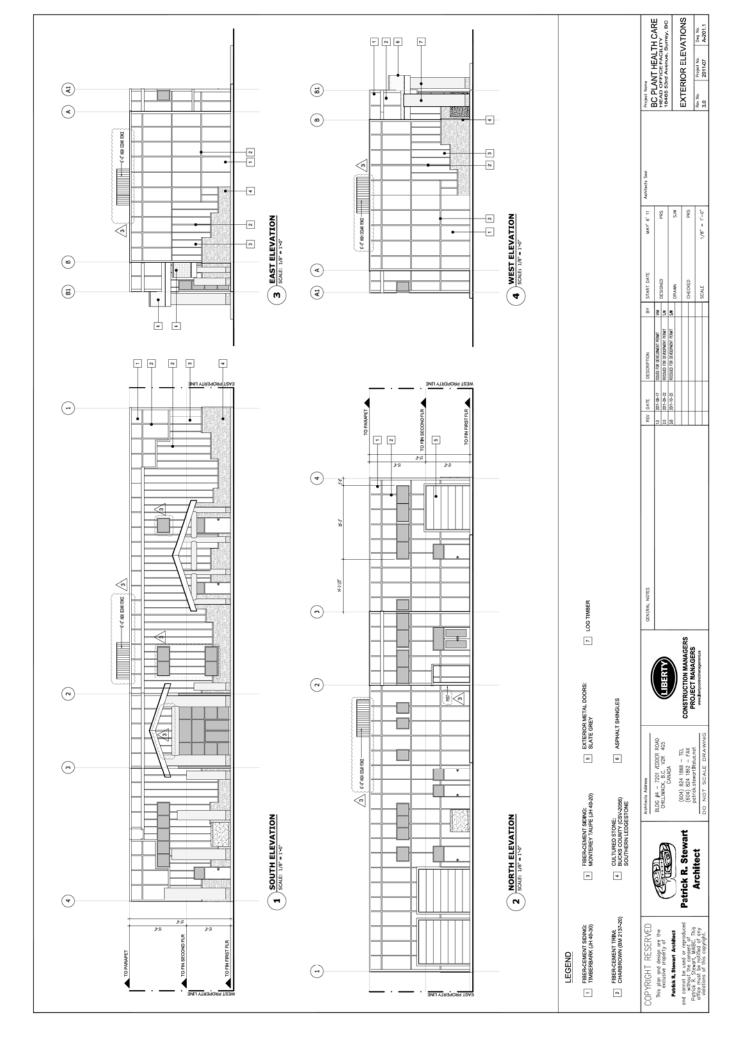
<b>Required Development Data</b>	Minimum Required / Maximum Allowed	Proposed
LOT AREA* (in square metres)		
Gross Total		3.980 m <sup>2</sup>
Road Widening area		
Undevelopable area		$503.2 \text{ m}^2$
Net Total		3,437.4 m <sup>2</sup>
LOT COVERAGE (in % of net lot area)	60%	15.6%
Buildings & Structures		15.6%
Paved & Hard Surfaced Areas		25.8%
Total Site Coverage		41.4
SETBACKS ( in metres)		
Front	7.5m	17.5 m
Rear	7.5m	38.13 m
Side #1 (W)	7.5m	1.75 m
Side #2 (E)	7.5m	*7.5m
BUILDING HEIGHT (in metres/storeys)		6
Principal	18.0 m	7.16 m
Accessory	6.0 m	n/a
NUMBER OF RESIDENTIAL UNITS	1	n/a
Bachelor		
One Bed		
Two Bedroom		
Three Bedroom +		
Total		
FLOOR AREA: Residential		
FLOOR AREA: Commercial		
Retail		
Office		
Total		
FLOOR AREA: Industrial	3,980 m <sup>2</sup>	801.8 m <sup>2</sup>
FLOOR AREA: Institutional		
TOTAL BUILDING FLOOR AREA	3,980 m <sup>2</sup>	801.8 m <sup>2</sup>

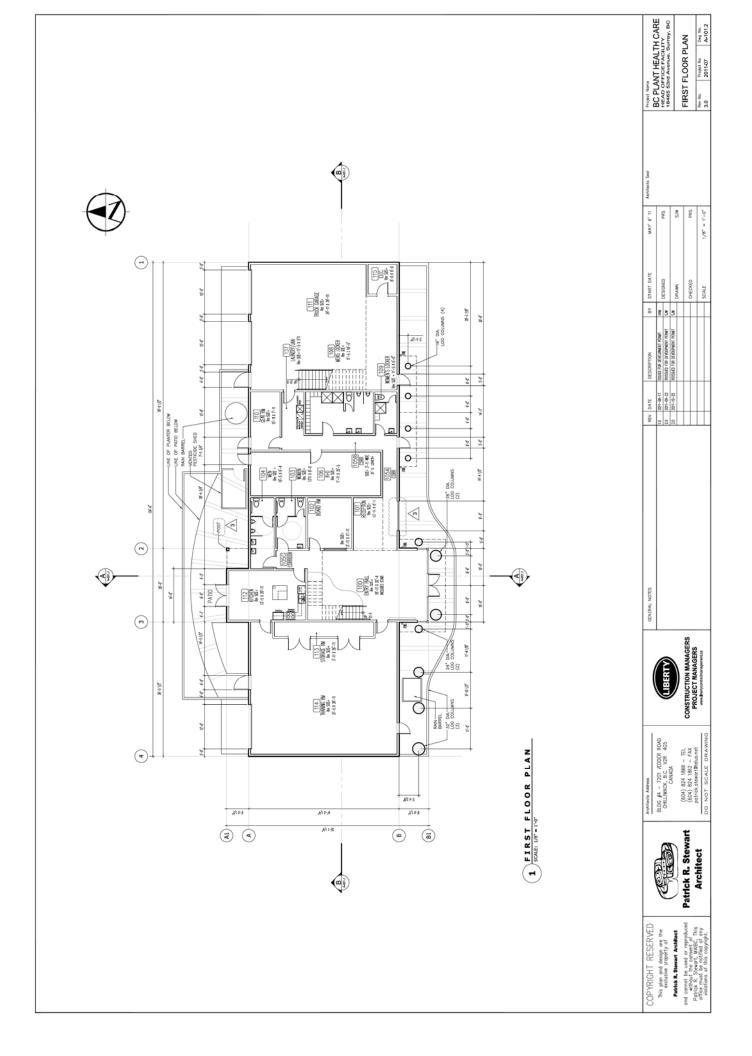
Variance requested

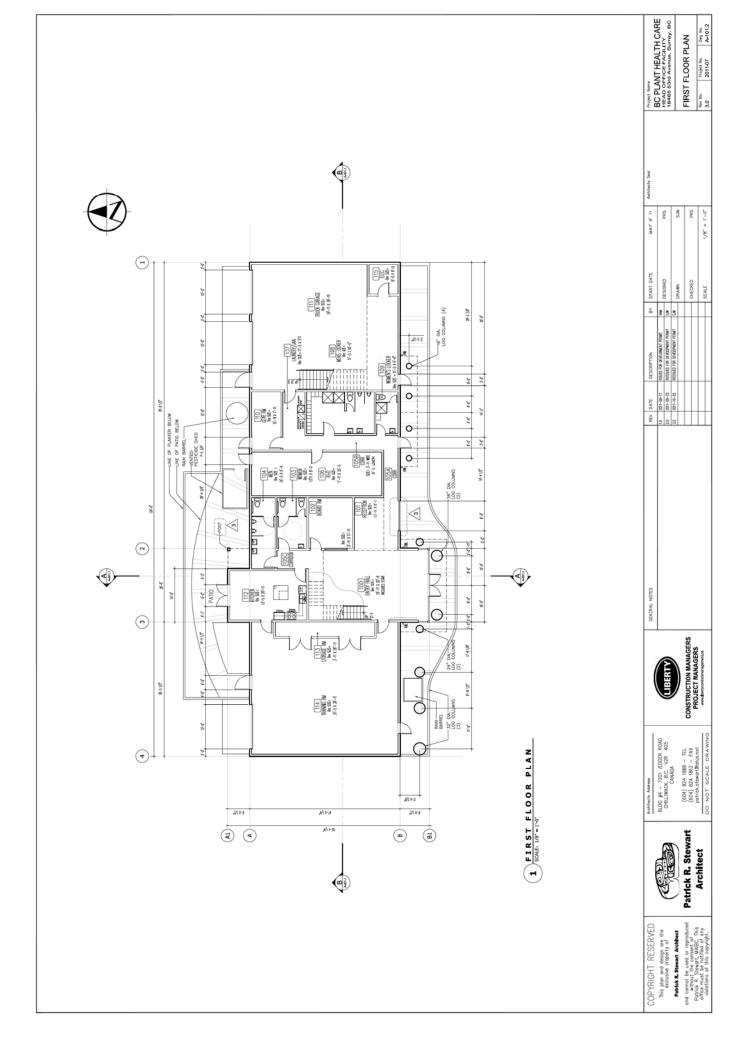
Required Development Data	Minimum Required / Maximum Allowed	Proposed
DENSITY		
# of units/ha /# units/acre (gross)		
# of units/ha /# units/acre (net)		
FAR (gross)	1.0	0.20
FAR (net)	1.0	0.228
AMENITY SPACE (area in square metres)		
Indoor		
Outdoor		
PARKING (number of stalls)		
Commercial		
Industrial	8	8
Residential Bachelor + 1 Bedroom		
2-Bed		
3-Bed		
Residential Visitors		
Institutional		
Total Number of Parking Spaces	8	8
Number of disabled stalls	1	1
Number of small cars		
Tandem Parking Spaces: Number / % of Total Number of Units		
Size of Tandem Parking Spaces width/length		

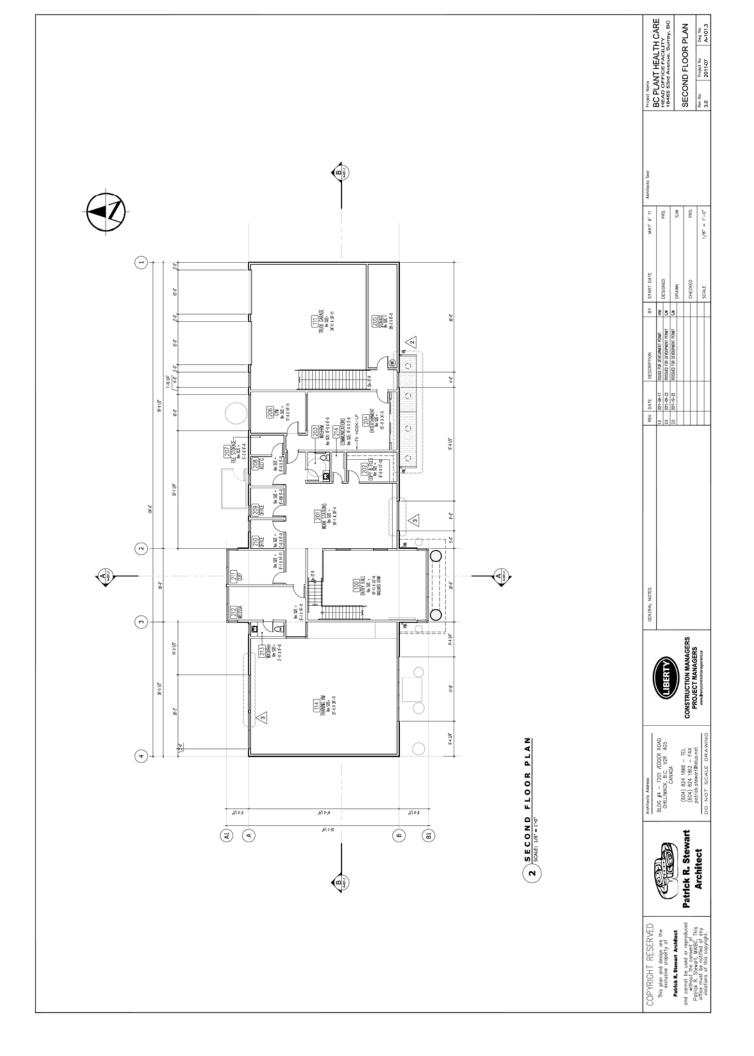
Heritage Site	NO	Tree Survey/Assessment Provided	NO

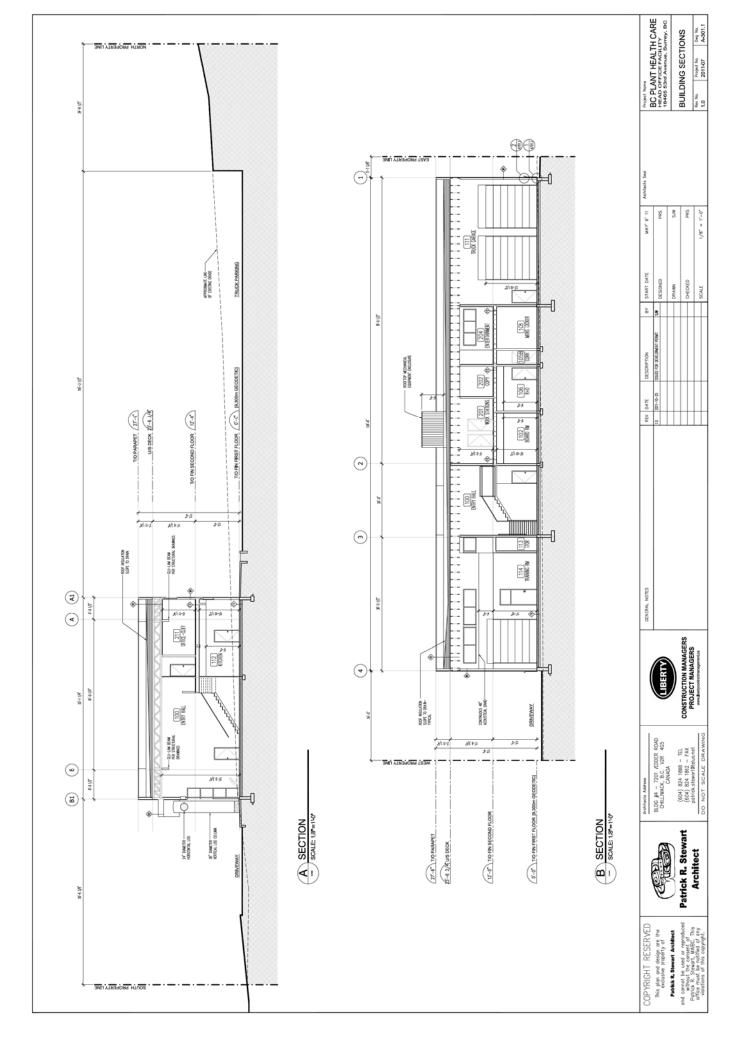


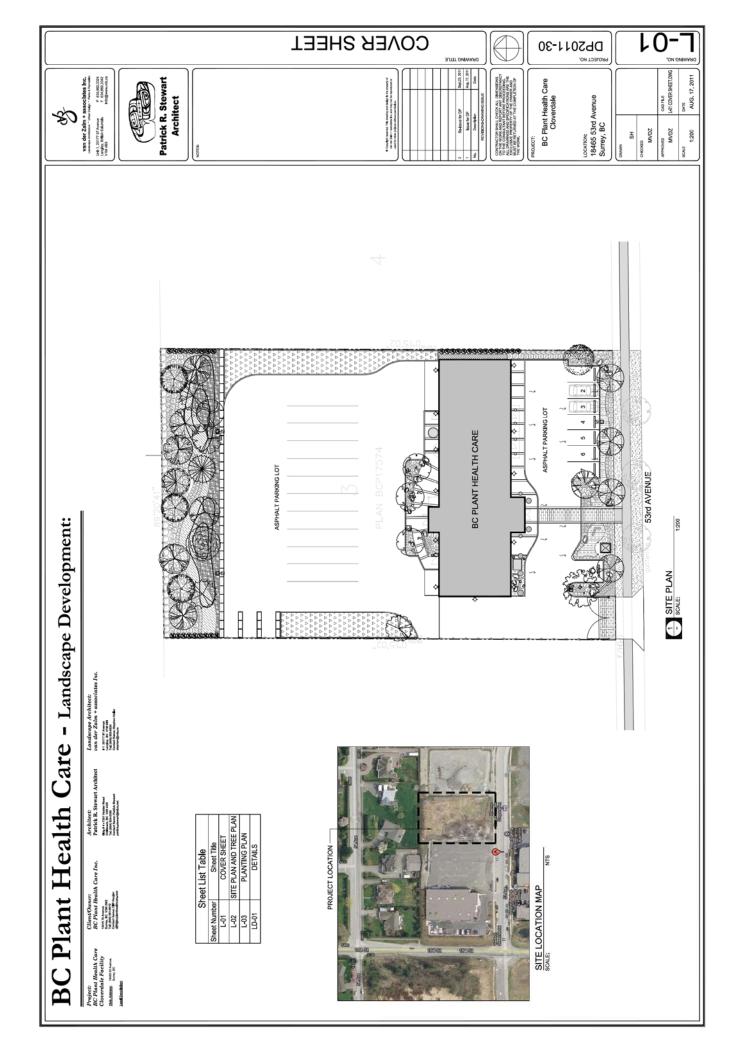


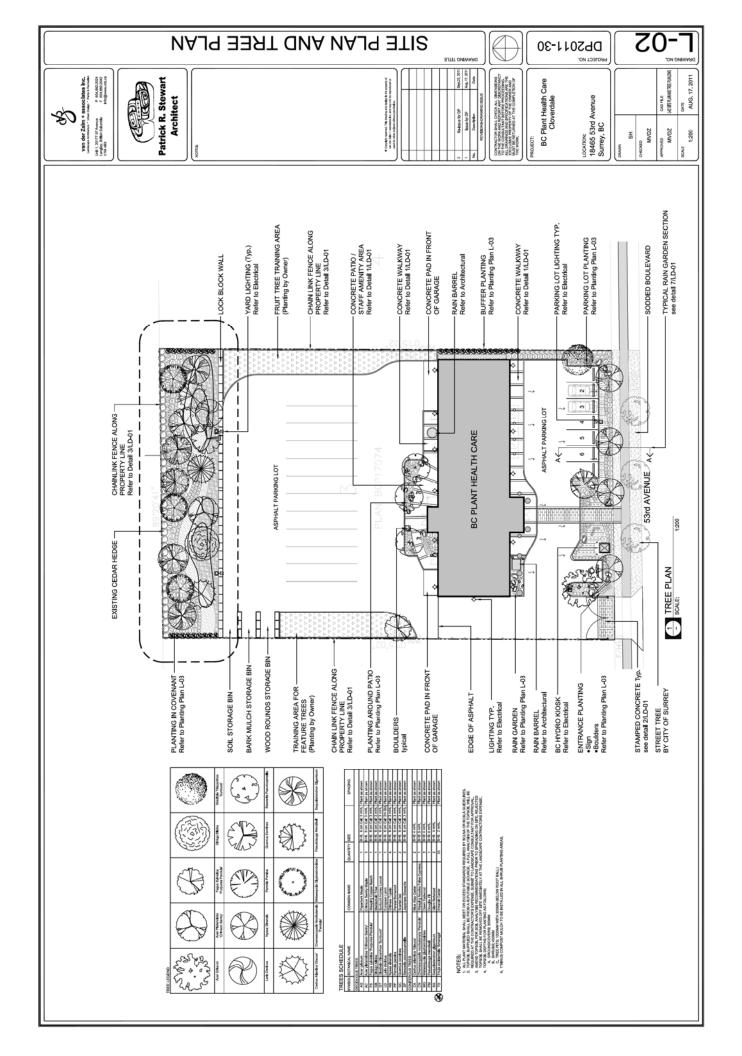


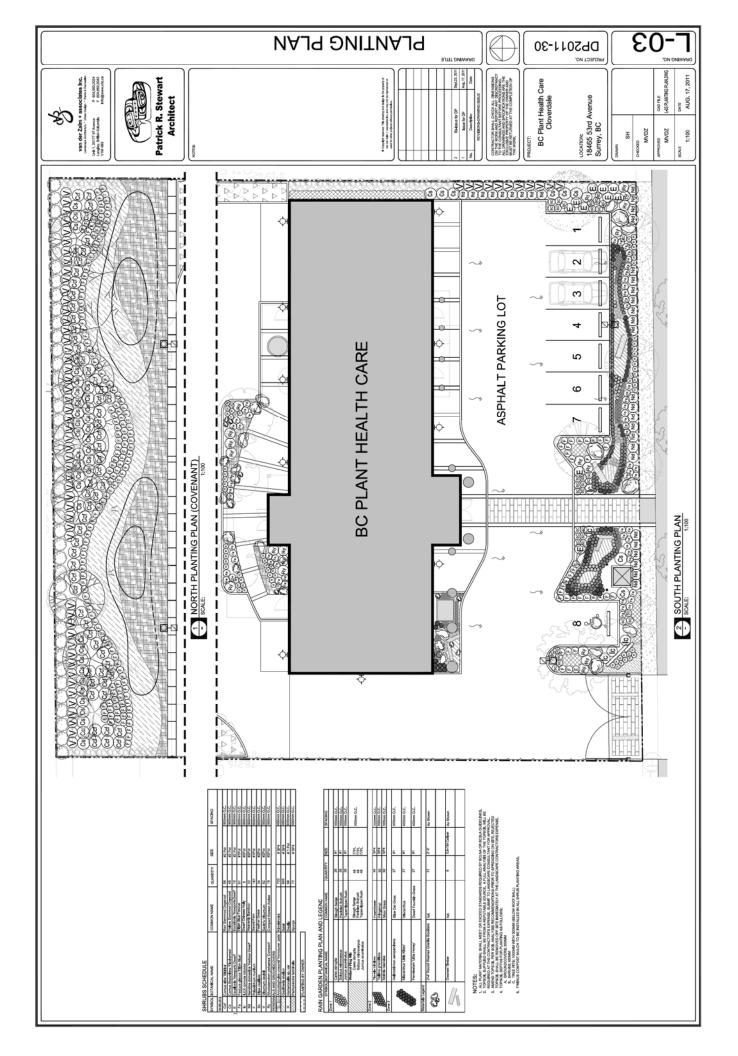


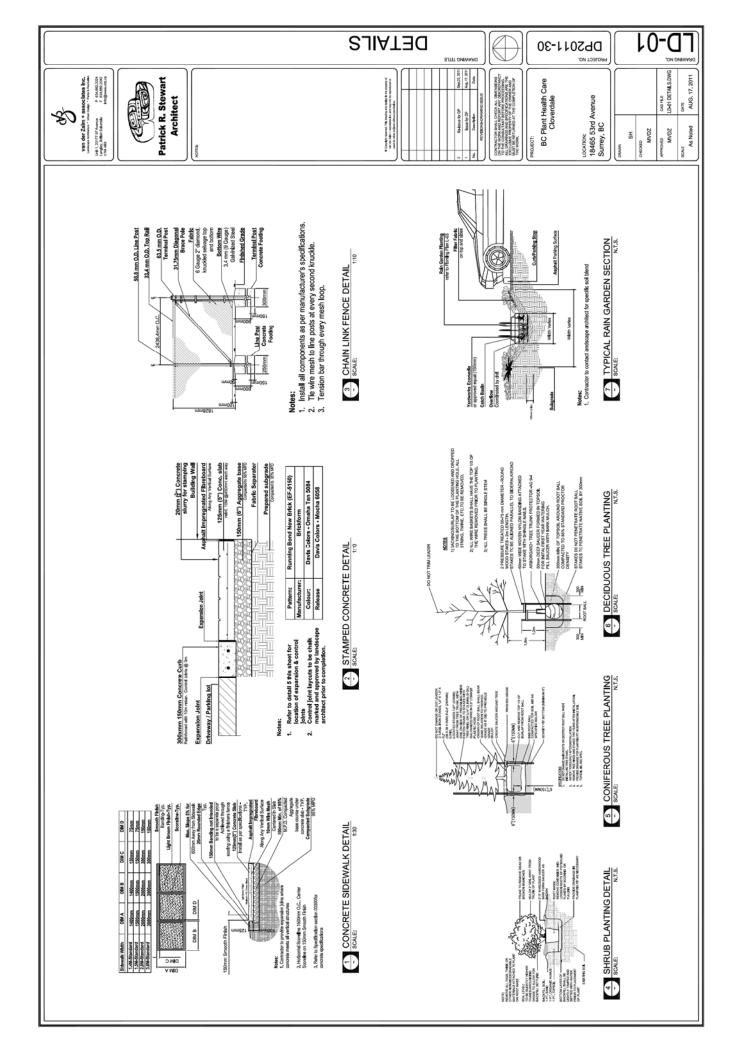












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APPENDIX III

TO:	Manager, Area Planning 8 - Surrey Division Planning and Developmer	•		
FROM:	Development Services Ma	nager, Engineering Depa	rtment	
DATE:	October 31, 2011	PROJECT FILE:	7811-0201-00	
RE:	Engineering Requirement Location: 18465 53 Ave	s (Commercial/Industria	1)	

# DEVELOPMENT PERMIT/DEVELOPMENT VARIANCE PERMIT

There are no engineering requirements relative to issuance of the Development Permit/ Development Variance Permit.

A Servicing Agreement is not required prior to issuance of the Development Permit.

All on-site works and service connections must be processed through a subsequent Building Permit application process.

Rémi Dubé, P.Eng. Development Services Manager

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#### CITY OF SURREY

# (the "City")

#### **DEVELOPMENT VARIANCE PERMIT**

NO.: 7911-0201-00

Issued To:	BC PLANT HEALTH CARE INC (INCORPORATION NO. BCo610308)
	("the Owner")
Address of Owner:	18465 - 53 Avenue Surrey BC V3S 7A4

- 1. This development variance permit is issued subject to compliance by the Owner with all statutes, by-laws, orders, regulations or agreements, except as specifically varied by this development variance permit.
- 2. This development variance permit applies to that real property including land with or without improvements located within the City of Surrey, with the legal description and civic address as follows:

Parcel Identifier: 026-283-409 Lot 3 Section 4 Township 8 Plan BCP17574 New Westminster District

18465 - 53 Avenue

(the "Land")

- 4. Surrey Zoning By-law, 1993, No. 12000, as amended is varied as follows:
  - (a) Part 48 Light Impact Industrial Zone, Section F Yards and Setbacks, the east side yard setback is varied from 7.5 metres (25 ft.) or 0 metre to 1.75 metres (5.75 ft.)
- 5. This development variance permit applies to only the that portion of the buildings and structures on the Land shown on Schedule A which is attached hereto and forms part of this development variance permit. This development variance permit does not apply to additions to, or replacement of, any of the existing buildings shown on attached Schedule A, which is attached hereto and forms part of this development variance permit.
- 6. The Land shall be developed strictly in accordance with the terms and conditions and provisions of this development variance permit.

- This development variance permit shall lapse if the Owner does not substantially start any construction with respect to which this development variance permit is issued, within two
  (2) years after the date this development variance permit is issued.
- 8. The terms of this development variance permit or any amendment to it, are binding on all persons who acquire an interest in the Land.
- 9. This development variance permit is not a building permit.

AUTHORIZING RESOLUTION PASSED BY THE COUNCIL, THE DAY OF , 20 . ISSUED THIS DAY OF , 20 .

Mayor – Dianne L. Watts

City Clerk – Jane Sullivan

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