#### City of Surrey PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT REPORT Application No.: 7921-0309-00

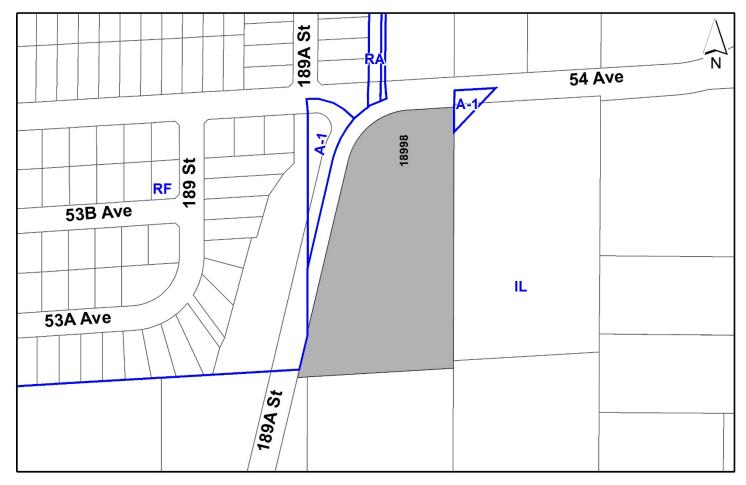
Planning Report Date: June 27, 2022

**PROPOSAL:** 

#### • Development Permit

to permit the construction of a 1,994 square metre, one-storey pre-engineered operations building, and a 464 square metre, two-storey ancillary office building, for a steel rebar facility.

LOCATION:	18998 – 54 Avenue
ZONING:	IL
OCP DESIGNATION:	Industrial
<b>RGS DESIGNATION:</b>	General Urban



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#### **RECOMMENDATION SUMMARY**

• Approval to draft Development Permit for Form and Character.

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

• None.

#### **RATIONALE OF RECOMMENDATION**

- The proposal complies with the Industrial designation in the Official Community Plan (OCP).
- The proposal complies with the 'General Urban' designation in the Metro Vancouver Regional Growth Strategy (RGS).
- The proposal generally complies with the Development Permit requirements in the OCP for Form and Character.
- The proposed building achieves an attractive architectural built form, which utilizes high quality materials and contemporary lines, and the site includes a significant landscape buffer on 54 Avenue and 189A Street.
- The proposed signage is high quality and is of an appropriate size and scale for the development.
- The proposal will house the relocated operations of Midvalley Rebar, a rebar manufacturer and distributor currently based in Surrey.

#### RECOMMENDATION

The Planning & Development Department recommends that:

- 1. Council authorize staff to draft Development Permit No. 7921-0309-00 generally in accordance with the attached drawings (Appendix I).
- 2. Council instruct staff to resolve the following issues prior to final approval:
  - (a) ensure that all requirements and issues including restrictive covenants, dedications, and rights-of-way where necessary, are addressed to the satisfaction of the General Manager, Engineering;
  - (b) resolution of all urban design issues to the satisfaction of the Planning and Development Department;
  - (c) submission of a finalized landscaping plan and landscaping cost estimate to the specifications and satisfaction of the Planning and Development Department;
  - (d) submission of a finalized tree survey and a statement regarding tree preservation to the satisfaction of the City Landscape Architect; and
  - (e) the applicant satisfy the deficiency in tree replacement on the site, to the satisfaction of the Planning and Development Department.

Direction	Existing Use	OCP Designation	Existing Zone
Subject Site	Vacant / Outdoor Storage	Industrial	IL
North (Across 54 Avenue):	Existing Industrial Building	Industrial	IL
East:	Existing Industrial and Outdoor Storage	Industrial	IL
South:	Existing Industrial Building	Industrial	IL
West (Across 189A Street):	Park – City Dedicated	Suburban & General Urban	RF & A-1

#### **SITE CONTEXT & BACKGROUND**

#### Context & Background

• The subject site is approximately 1.71 hectares in size and is bounded by 54 Avenue to the north, and 189A Street to the west. The site is adjoined by other industrial sites to the south and the east. The site is designated "Industrial" in the Official Community Plan (OCP) and currently zoned "Light Impact Industrial (IL) Zone".

- Two statutory rights of ways (plan numbers LMP54478 and EPP67660) are registered on title and run west to east across the subject site, before running south to north parallel to the property's eastern boundary.
- The subject site is regulated by the provisions in the OCP's DP<sub>3</sub> (Sensitive Ecosystem) section. Portions of the site are located within GIN Corridor 144 and its 50-metre buffer as measured from the edge of the corridor.
- Staff also note the location of a Class A/O watercourse on the west side of 189A Street, which was observed, and its status confirmed by the applicant's QEP. A Class B watercourse was also observed and confirmed north of 54 Avenue. Portions of the subject site are located within a 50-metre buffer as measured from the top of bank of these features. Both features are within established City owned greenbelts (Greenbelt 88E and 88D).
- Since these environmental features are already protected within City-owned greenbelts and separated from the subject site from existing roads (54 Avenue and 189A Street), a DP3 (Sensitive Ecosystem) has not been required for this development proposal. The protection of the environmental feature was addressed under previous Development Application No. 7913-0063-00 which facilitated the dedication of 189A Street and created the dedicated City greenbelt.

#### **DEVELOPMENT PROPOSAL**

#### **Planning Considerations**

- The applicant proposes a Development Plan to permit the construction of a 464 square metre, two-storey office building, and a 1,994 square metre, one-storey, purpose built, pre-engineered operations building to operate a steel rebar manufacturing and distribution facility.
- The proposal will house the relocated operations of Midvalley Rebar, a rebar manufacturer and distributor currently based in Surrey.

	Proposed
Lot Area	
Gross Site Area:	1.71 hectare / 17,139.08 square metres
Road Dedication:	n/a
Undevelopable Area:	n/a
Net Site Area: 1.71 hectare / 17,139.08 square metres	
Number of Lots: 1	
Building Height:9.91 m	
Unit Density: n/a	
Floor Area Ratio (FAR):	0.14
Floor Area	
Office: 463.51 square metres	
Industrial:	1,993.70 square metres
Total:	2,457.21 square metres

#### Referrals

Engineering:	The Engineering Department has no objection to the project subject to the completion of Engineering servicing requirements as outlined in Appendix II.
Surrey Fire Department:	The Fire Department have no concerns.
Advisory Design Panel:	The application was not referred to the ADP but was reviewed by staff and found satisfactory.

# **Transportation Considerations**

#### <u>Transit</u>

• The subject site is not directly serviced by public transportation. Staff note the presence of a bus stop approximately 400 metres east of the subject site on the north side of 54 Avenue, east of 192 Street.

#### Traffic Impacts:

• This proposal did not meet the Surrey Design Criteria Manual threshold of generating 100 trips during the peak hour for requiring a Traffic Impact Analysis (TIA).

#### Access

- The Building Permit will trigger works and services on the site. The applicant is required to construct letdowns at access locations.
- Three driveway accesses are proposed one passenger vehicle entrance from 54 Avenue to access the north parking lot used by staff and visitors, and two truck entrances to the outdoor storage and loading/unloading areas located off 189A Street.
- The two truck entrances located on the 189A Street frontage were requested by the applicant to better facilitate on-site manoeuvring and the safe entrance and exit of heavy vehicles from the subject site. This was supported by staff.

#### Sustainability Considerations

• The applicant has met all the typical sustainable development criteria, as indicated in the Sustainable Development Checklist.

#### POLICY & BY-LAW CONSIDERATIONS

#### **Regional Growth Strategy**

• The proposal complies with the 'General Urban' designation in the Metro Vancouver Regional Growth Strategy (RGS).

### Official Community Plan

#### Land Use Designation

• The proposal complies with the 'Industrial' land use designation in the Official Community Plan (OCP).

#### Themes/Policies

- The proposed development is consistent with the following OCP Themes and Policies:
  - A4.2 Encourage the full and efficient build-out of existing planned urban areas:

(The proposed development adds to the available employment lands in Cloverdale.)

• B6.4 – Ensure new development responds to the existing architectural character and scale of its surroundings, creating compatibility between adjacent sites and within neighbourhoods.

(The development proposes a 3-metre landscape buffer on the west property line adjacent to 189A Street that includes dense planting of trees and shrubs. The proposed building height of 9.91 metres is compliant with the maximum permitted building height for industrial buildings in the area's light impact industrial zoning (18 metres). The outdoor storage area for raw materials will be screened from public view as it is located on the eastern side of the proposed pre-engineered industrial building. Adverse visual effects arising from the loading area and other areas of outdoor storage will be mitigated through the provision of the landscape buffer noted above.)

• C2.38 – Ensure the loading and on-site access of goods delivery vehicles is considered in conjunction with the overall site design

(The proposed loading area and on-site access of goods delivery vehicles will be located on the western elevation of the pre-engineered industrial building which has the potential to be visible from 189A Street. To address this issue, the applicant has proposed a 3-metre landscape buffer on the west property line adjacent to 189A Street that includes dense planting of trees and shrubs).

#### **Zoning By-law**

• The table below provides an analysis of the development proposal in relation to the requirements of the Zoning By-law, including the "Light Impact Industrial Zone (IL)" and parking requirements.

IL Zone (Part 48)	Permitted and/or Required	Proposed
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IL Zone (Part 48)	Permitted and/or Required	Proposed	
Unit Density:	n/a	n/a	
Floor Area Ratio:	1.00	0.14	
Lot Coverage:	60%	13.06%	
Yards and Setbacks			
North:	7.5 m	8.54 m	
East:	o m	6.32 m	
South:	7.5 m	16.54 m	
West:	7.5 m	7.50 m	
Height of Buildings			
Principal buildings:	18 m	9.91 m	
Accessory buildings:	6 m	n/a	
Parking (Part 5)	Required	Proposed	
Number of Stalls			
Office:	11.59		
Industrial:	19.94		
Total:	31.53	36	
Tandem (%):	n/a	n/a	
Accessible	1	1	

#### PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT

- Two development proposal signs were installed on February 11, 2022. Staff received one (1) response from a neighbour in the residential development located to the west of subject site which was in opposition to the current use of the site, and which sought further information on what the uses the current zoning and OCP designation provided for. The details of which are highlighted below:
  - The resident contacted staff to express their concern on the current use of the site, and to obtain additional information on the uses that the OCP designation and IL zoning permit. Notably, this resident expressed concern about the hours of operation and noise emanating from the current outdoor industrial and storage use.
  - (In correspondence with the resident, staff highlighted that the OCP designation and IL zoning permitted uses including light industrial, warehousing, distribution, and office uses, and that the proposed development is compliant with these uses, and other zoning by-law provisions.
  - With regards to this neighbour's noise concerns, the applicant has demonstrated that their proposed office and pre-engineered industrial building will comply with Part 48 (J.)(1.)(a.) of the IL Zone in that the use in the building and on the land will not exceed the maximum 70 decibel noise emittance regulation, as measured at any point on any of the boundaries where the lot abuts another lot designated Industrial in the OCP.
  - According to the Noise Impact Assessment Summary generated by Howe Gastmeier Chapnik Limited, dated June 14, 2022 (Appendix IV), the computer modelling conducted on anticipated noise emittance from this proposed indicate sound levels of 60 to 69 dBA at the property lines. The expected noise emitted from Salit Steel's operations at the subject property is predicted to meet the City of Surrey Zoning By-Law, Part 48 (J.)(1.)(b.) of the IL Zone, provided the overhead doors on the west and north sides of the facility remain closed during periods of elevated noise generation indoors).

#### **DEVELOPMENT PERMITS**

#### Form and Character Development Permit Requirement

- The proposed development is subject to a Development Permit for Form and Character.
- The proposed development generally complies with the Form and Character Development Permit guidelines in the OCP.
- The applicant has worked with staff to improve the building and site interface relative to the existing parkland and single-family residential environment to the west, and the two public frontages on 189A Street and 54 Avenue.
- The OCP Urban Design, Policies, General (B6.2) specifies reflecting and enhancing local neighbourhood character and identity; and Public-Private Interface (B6.6) requires the avoidance of blank facades facing the public streets to ensure 'eyes on the street', and parking located in between buildings and public streets. These policies are given effect by the OCP DP1.1(31.b), (100), and (102) design guidelines which state that parking should be located away from street frontages and street corners, that the main entrance should be architecturally integrated with the building and that it faces the primary street, and that active uses face streets and to avoid blank walls facing the public realm. In addition, OCP DP1.1 (10) design guideline requires the location of loading doors away from the public realm interfaces.
- Staff support the applicant locating staff and visitor parking away from the intersection of 189A Street and 54 Avenue. However, the proposed location of staff and visitor parking adjacent to the 54 Avenue frontage, in the northern part of the subject site, does not entirely conform to these policies and design guidelines. During pre-application correspondence, staff explored concepts with the applicant to see if parking could be located further away from the north frontages of the site. The applicant was unable to accomplish this due to industrial operational layout constraints on a corner site, and the desire to maintain vehicle parking near the office building. Staff note that this parking configuration is consistent with the industrial sites located to the north of 54 Avenue.
- The applicant has made efforts to improve the interface of the office with the frontages of 54 Avenue and 189A Street. Initially, only a slope berm with an average grade of 5:1 that is approximately 1.1 metres below the adjacent sidewalk grade topped with a 3-metre-wide landscape buffer was proposed. The landscape buffer contained a single offset row of tree plantings at a minimum initial height of approximately 2 metres (depending on species), interspersed with a staggered cedar hedge capable of reaching 1.8 metres in height at maturity.
- The façade of the office building facing the road frontages had been presented as the rear of the building. This has now been improved through the inclusion of a second building entrance facing west to the public street, and pedestrian walkway directly linking to 189A Street.

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- Staff note that loading doors are located on the façade of the pre-engineered industrial building facing 189A Street. Efforts were made to work with applicant during the pre-application stage to explore options of locating loading doors on a façade away from the street frontage. The applicant was unable to accomplish this due to industrial operational layout constraints on a corner site, and the desire to maintain efficient and safe access and manoeuvring for heavy vehicles. As a design response, the applicant has proposed a 3-metre-wide landscape buffer along the 189A Street frontage to mitigate the adverse visual effects of the loading doors facing the public realm. This landscape buffer consists of larger trees including Western Red Cedar, and smaller shrubs like honeysuckle, winged burning bush, and dogwood.
- Both the office building and the pre-engineered industrial building are proposed to have an overall contemporary appearance with a simple uniformly rectangular volume. The exterior of the office building is comprised of a vertical hardie panel cladding with vertical windows. There is ample glazing facing both road frontages with a portion of each upper floor façade articulated in a dark green colour. The entrance facing the staff and visitor parking utilizes a storefront style glazing, and an integrated steel feature canopy. An additional frontage is presented towards the 189A Street frontage.
- The proposed pre-engineered industrial building is comprised of a similar vertical hardie panel cladding treatment in several shades of grey and contrasted with green coloured accent panels positioned together in a block on the southern portion of the west and east facades. The east and west facades are punctuated with windows. The orientation of this building is intended to screen crane equipment east of the building, which is an essential component of the rebar operations.
- There is one primary staff amenity area on the north/west elevation of the office building which is directly accessible to the staff amenity areas on the ground floor of the building.
- The applicant proposes one (1) fascia sign, located on the top level of the pre-engineered industrial building facing 189A Street. The Sign Bylaw permits a maximum of one fascia sign per lot frontage that may be located above a first storey for the tenant that occupies the largest percentage of floor area above the first storey. In this case, the only occupant of this development will be Midvalley Rebar, and therefore, the proposed signage complies with the Sign Bylaw.
- The proposed signage is to be surface-mounted non-illuminated channel lettering.

#### **Landscaping**

- The landscape buffer with a width of 3-metres, as measured from the frontages of 189A Street and 54 Avenue, complies with the width (1.5 metres) and height (1.5 metres) requirements in the Zoning bylaw.
- The proposed landscaping will consist of a variety of trees, including Columnar Armstrong Maple, Dwarf Deodora Cedar, Paul's Scarlet Hawthorn, Marshall's Seedless Ash, and Douglas Fir. The proposed trees will be complimented by a variety of shrubs and groundcover.

#### **Outstanding Items**

• The applicant is required to resolve all outstanding urban design and landscaping issues, which includes ensuring that both sets of plans are coordinated prior to final adoption.

# TREES

• Jason Emery, ISA Certified Arborist of Central Valley Tree & Arborist Services Ltd. prepared an Arborist Assessment for the subject property. The table below provides a summary of the tree retention and removal by tree species:

Tree Species	Ex	isting	Remove	Retain
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(excluding	g Alder ai	nd Cottonwo	ood Trees)	
Horse Chestnut		20	3	17
European Hornbeam		4	0	4
	Conife	rous Trees		
Coniferous Trees		2	1	1
<b>Total</b> (excluding Alder and Cottonwood Trees)	26		4	22
Total Replacement Trees Proposed (excluding Boulevard Street Trees)			104	
Total Retained and Replacement Trees		126		
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#### Table 1: Summary of Tree Preservation by Tree Species:

- The Arborist Assessment states that there are a total of 24 mature trees on the site. It was determined that 21 trees can be retained as part of this development proposal. The proposed tree retention was assessed taking into consideration the location of services, building footprints, road dedication and proposed lot grading.
- For those trees that cannot be retained, the applicant will be required to plant trees on a 2 to 1 replacement ratio. This will require a total of 8 replacement trees on the site. The applicant is proposing 104 replacement trees which exceeds City requirements.
- The new trees on the site will consist of a variety of trees including Columnar Armstrong Maple, Dwarf Deodora Cedar, Paul's Scarlet Hawthorn, Marshall's Seedless Ash, and Douglas Fir. Staff note that the applicant has updated their landscape plans to include the planting of 4 Giant Redwoods near the office building in the north part of the site which will contribute towards an enhancement in the area's biodiversity values.

# INFORMATION ATTACHED TO THIS REPORT

The following information is attached to this Report:

Appendix I.	Site Plan, Building Elevations, and Landscape Plans
Appendix II.	Engineering Summary
Appendix III.	Summary of Tree Survey and Tree Preservation
Appendix IV.	Noise Impact Assessment Summary

approved by Ron Gill

Jeff Arason Acting General Manager Planning and Development

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# **PROPOSED OFFICE + TRUCK FACILITY**

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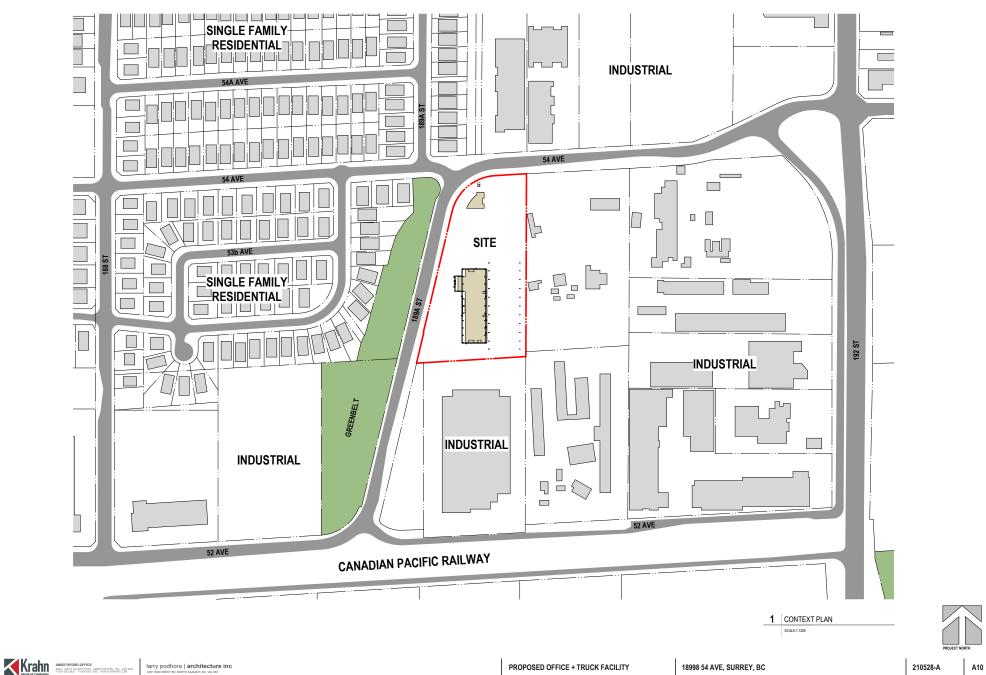
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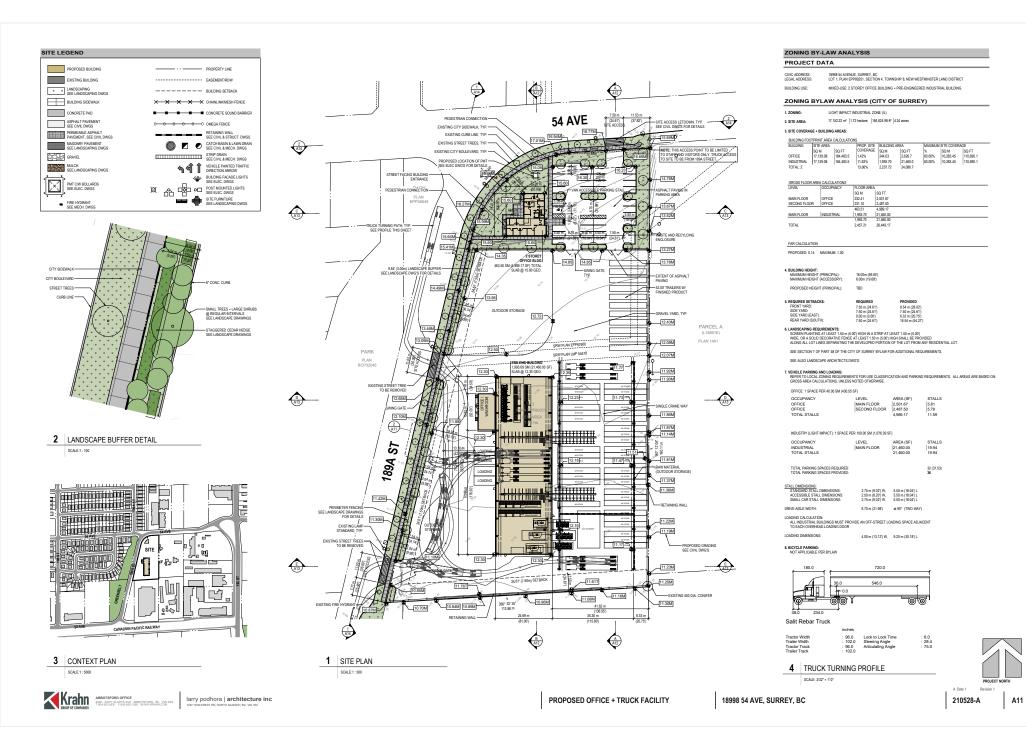
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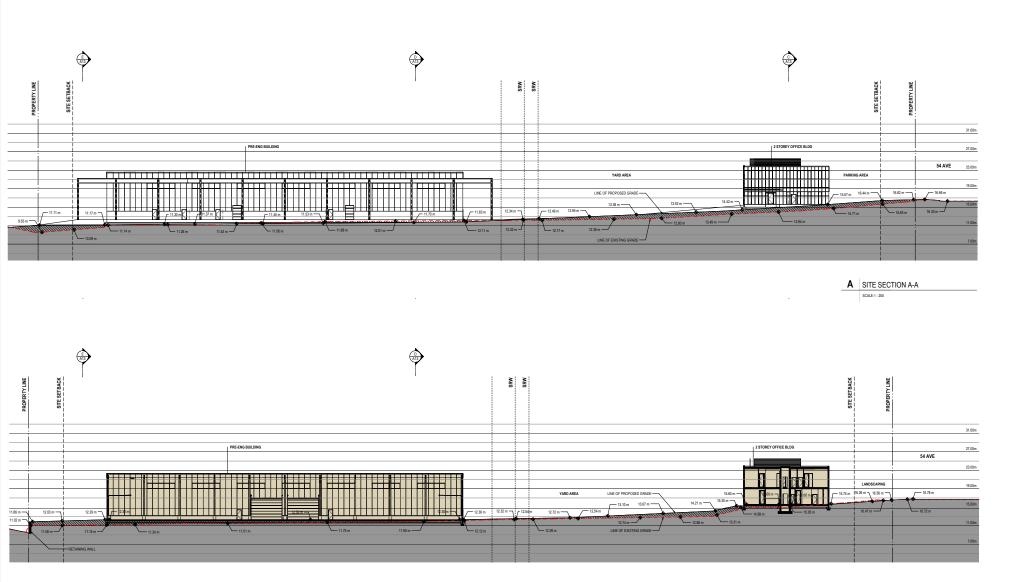


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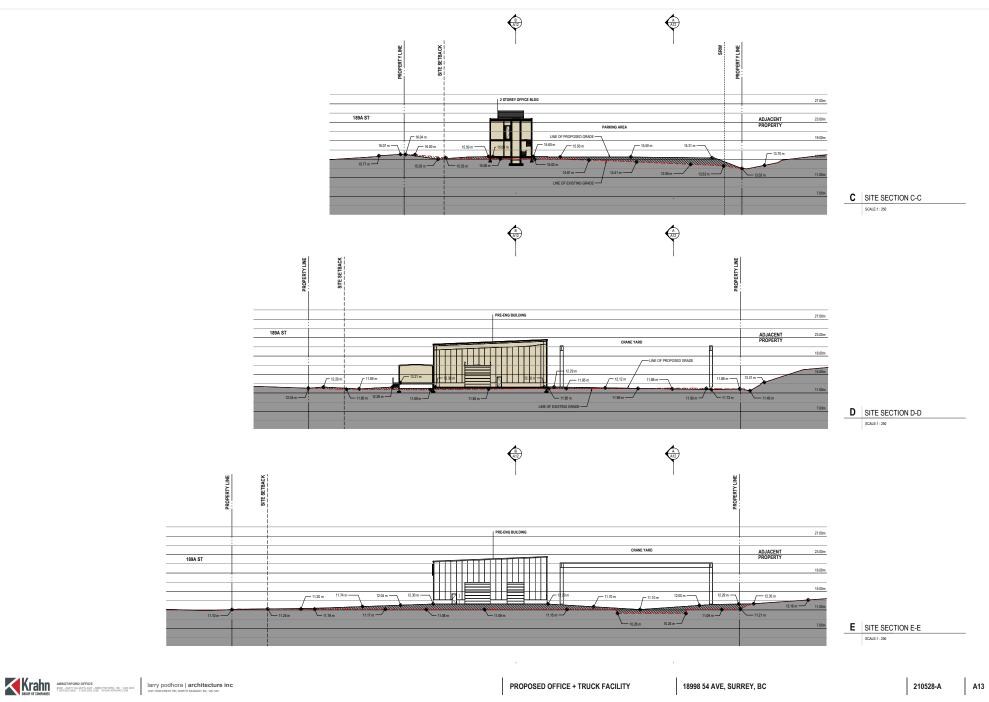
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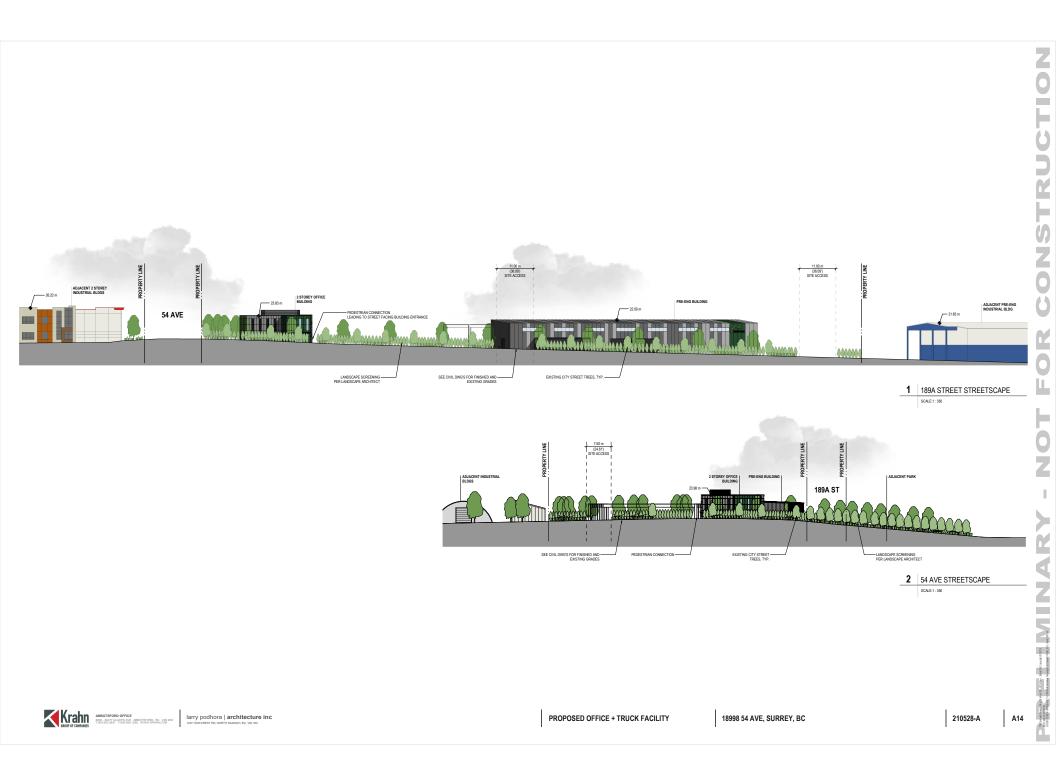
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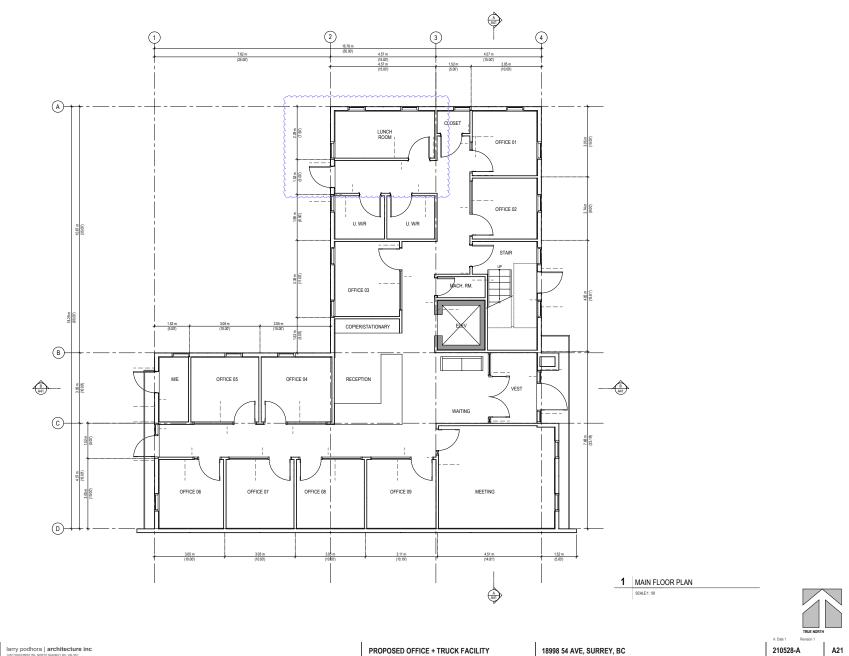
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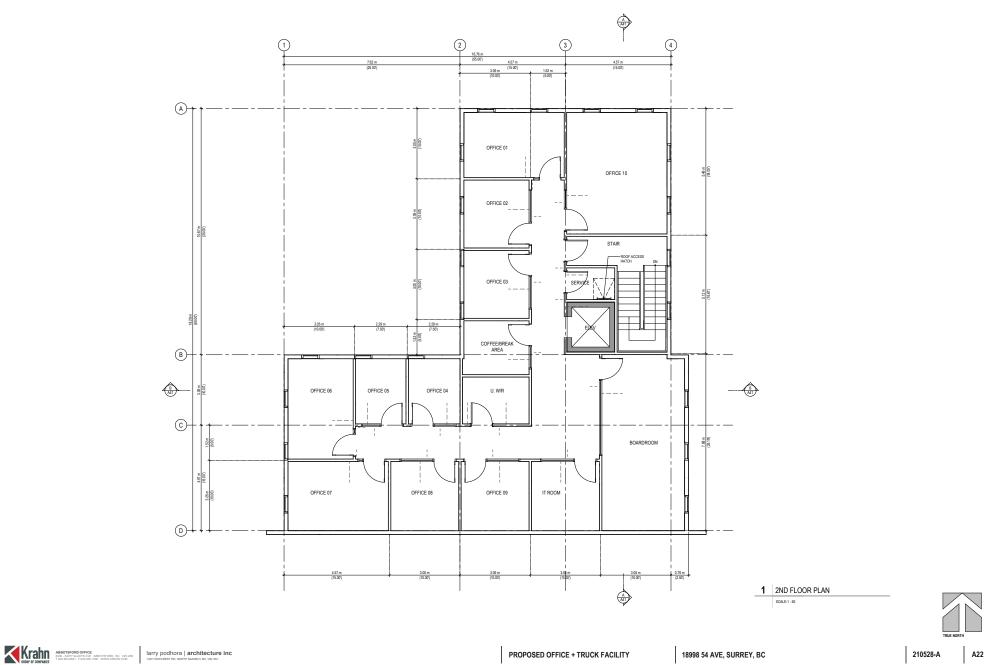
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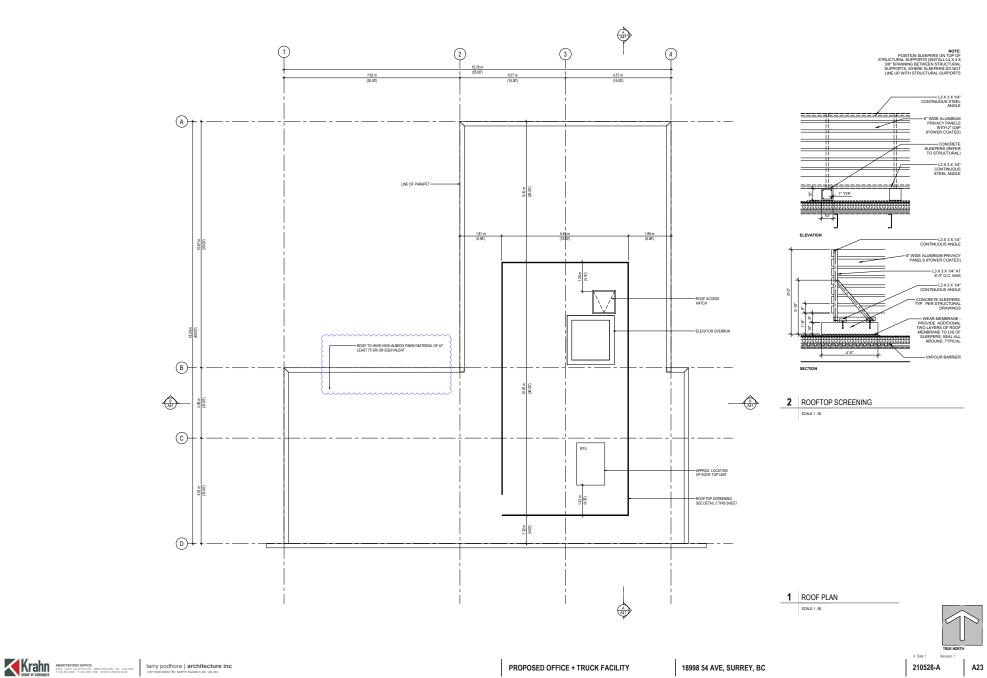
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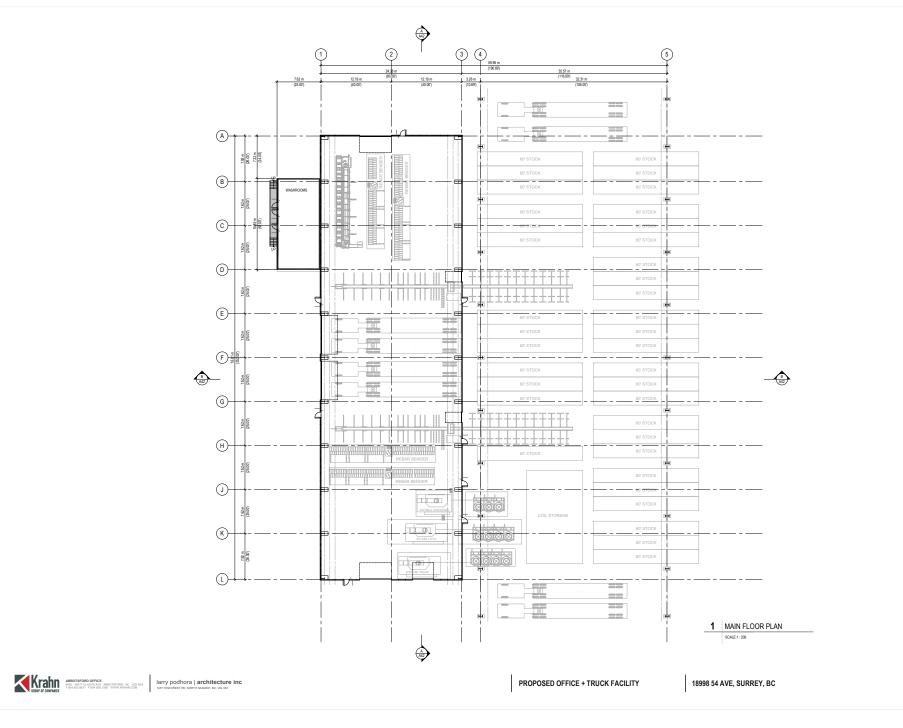




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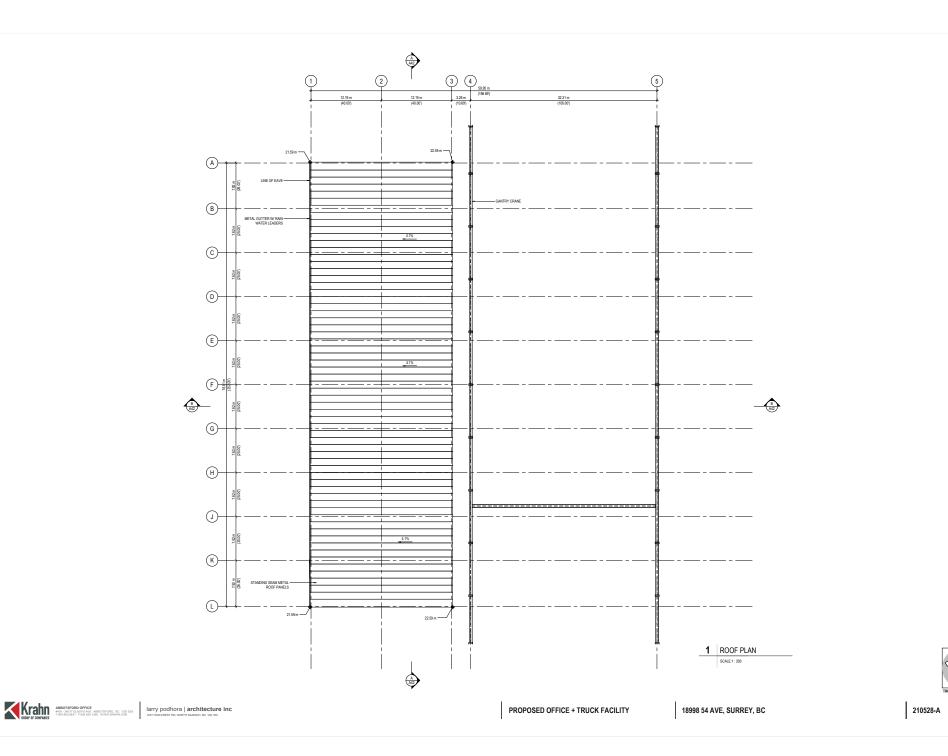


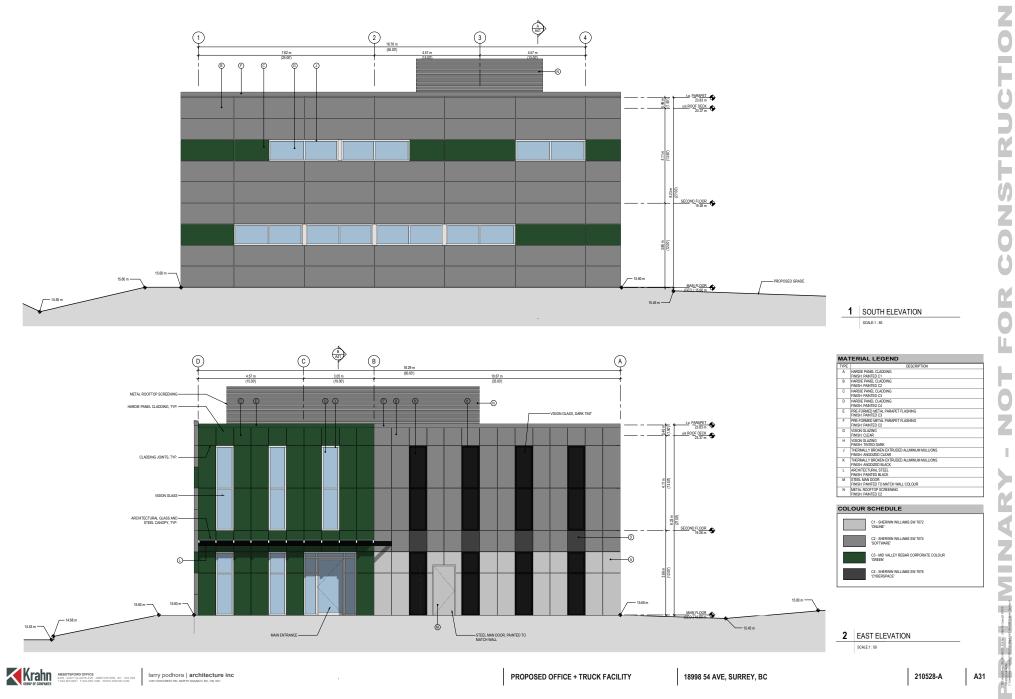
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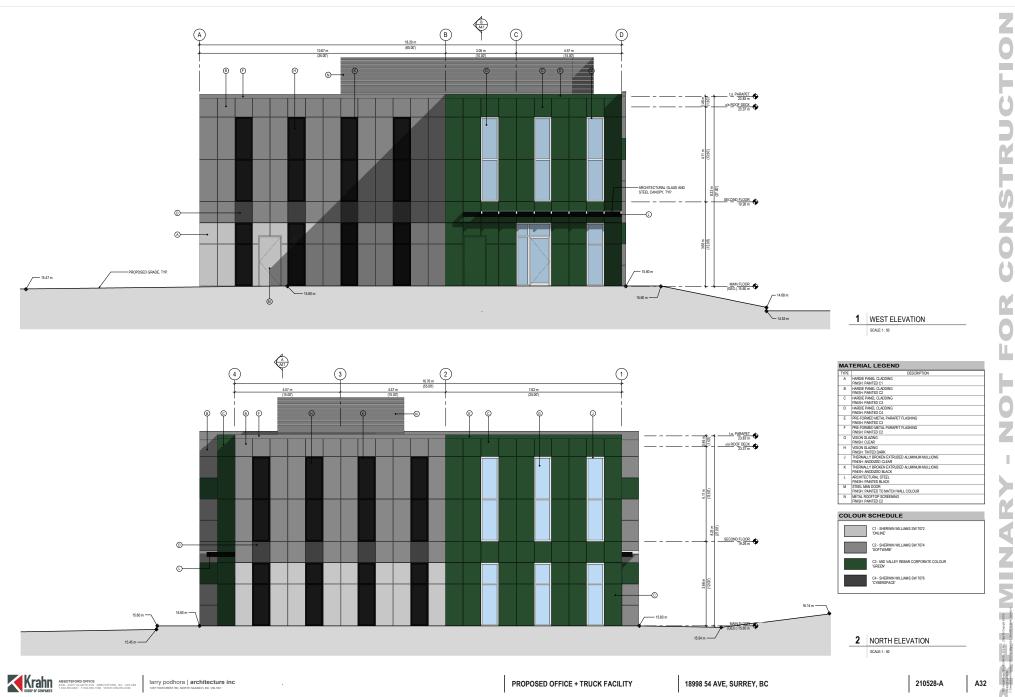


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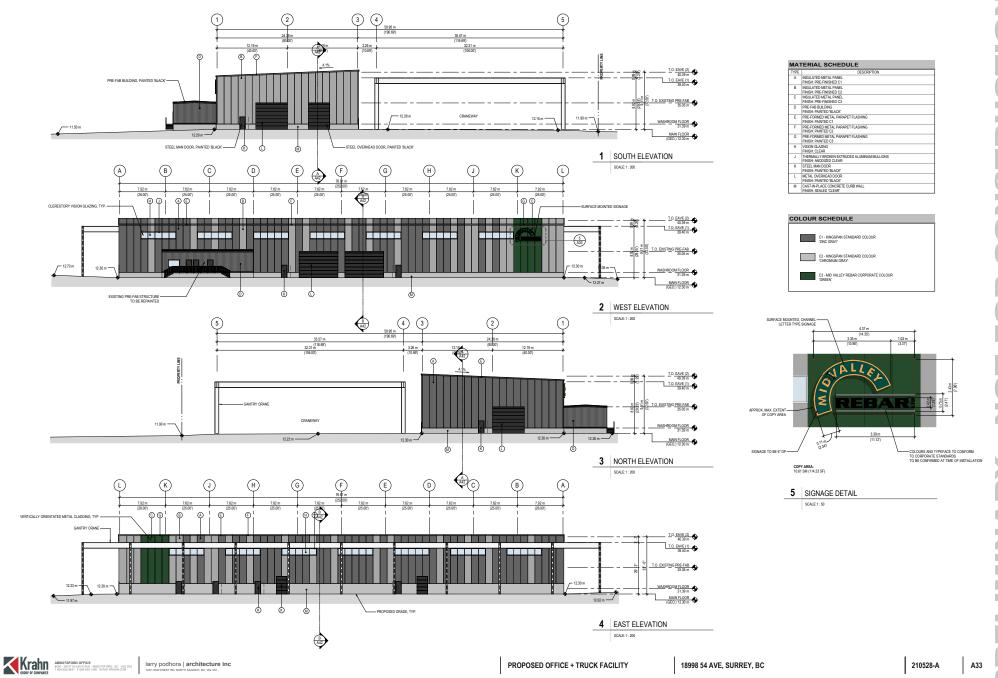




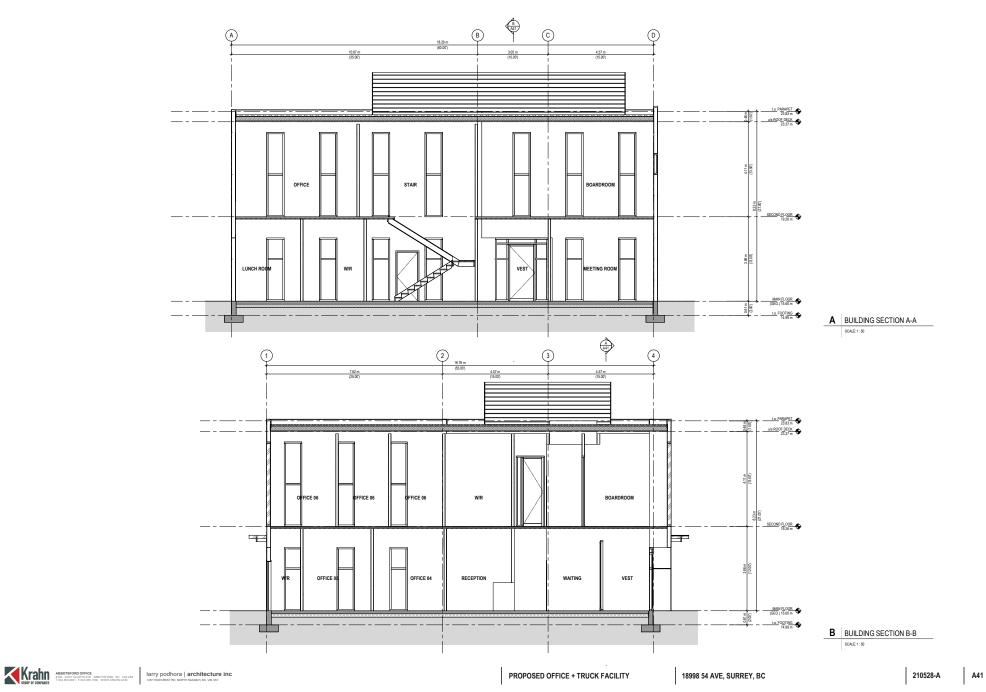
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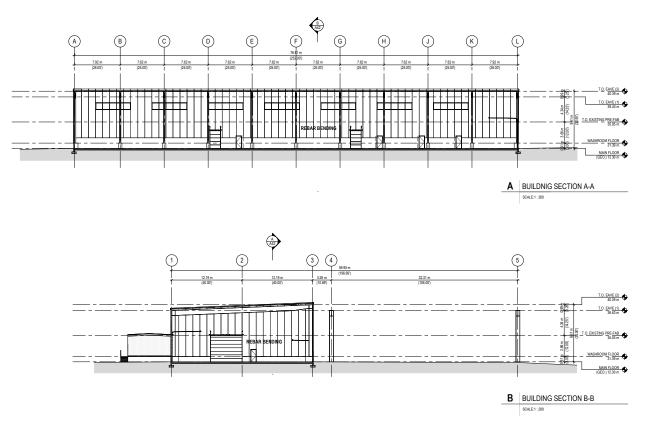


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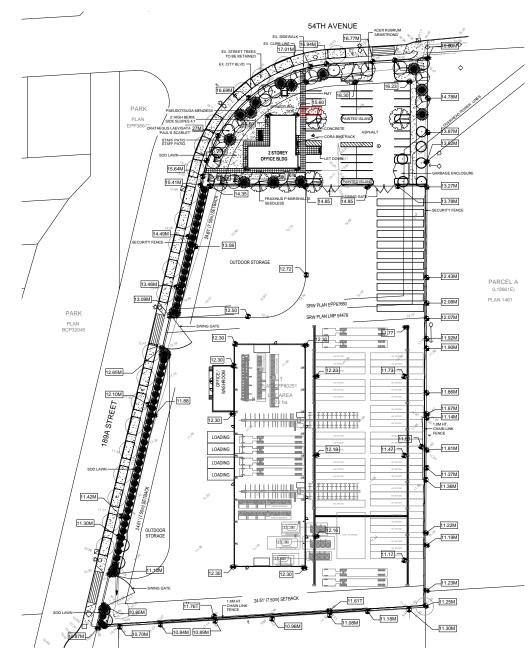


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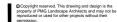
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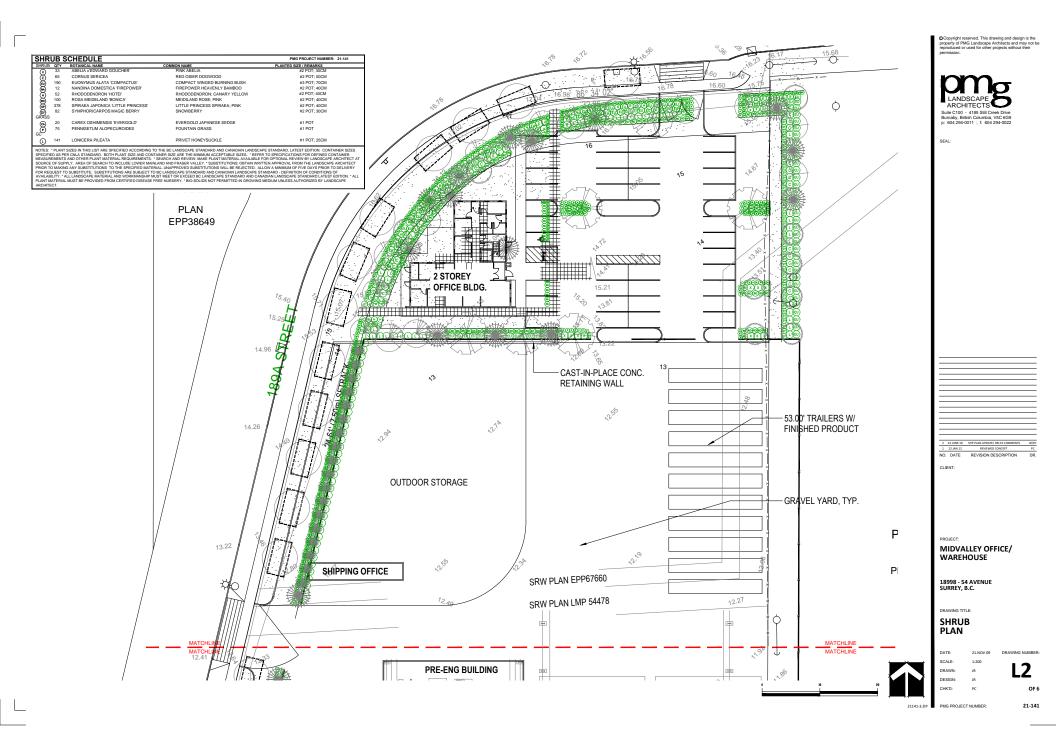


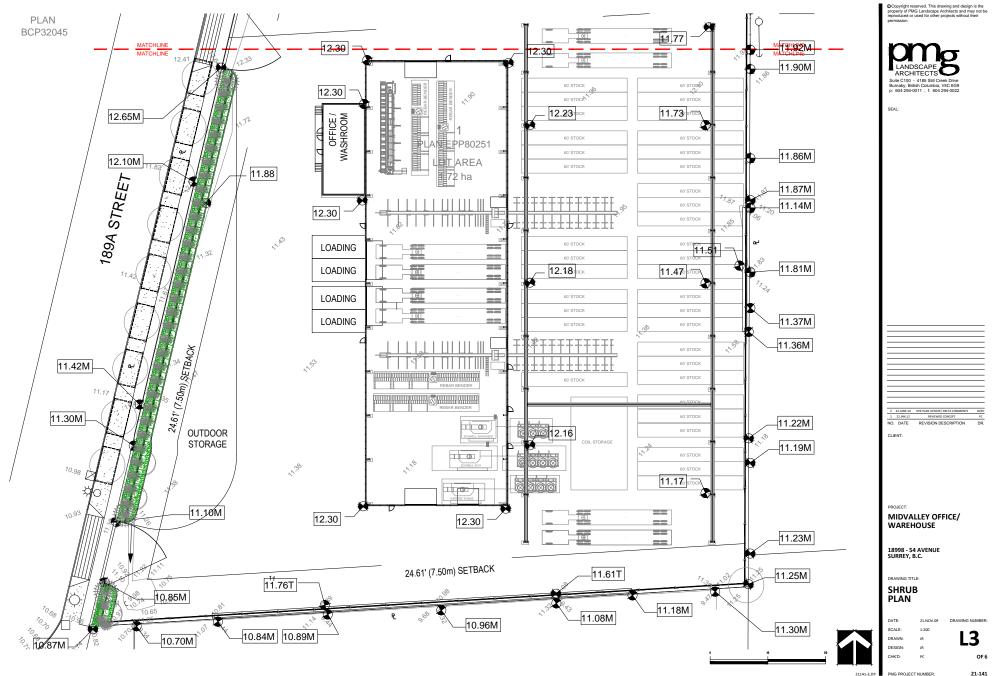


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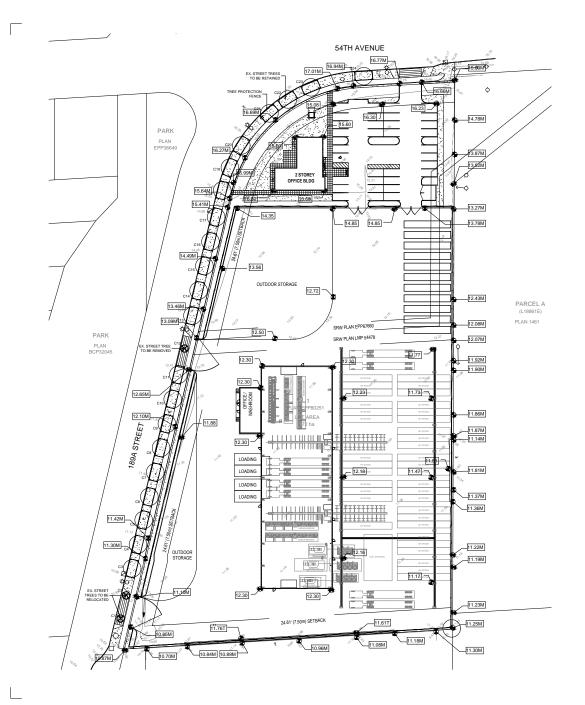
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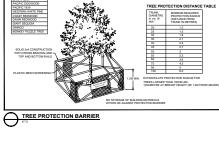
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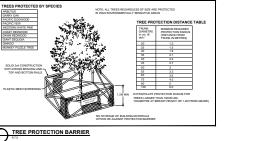
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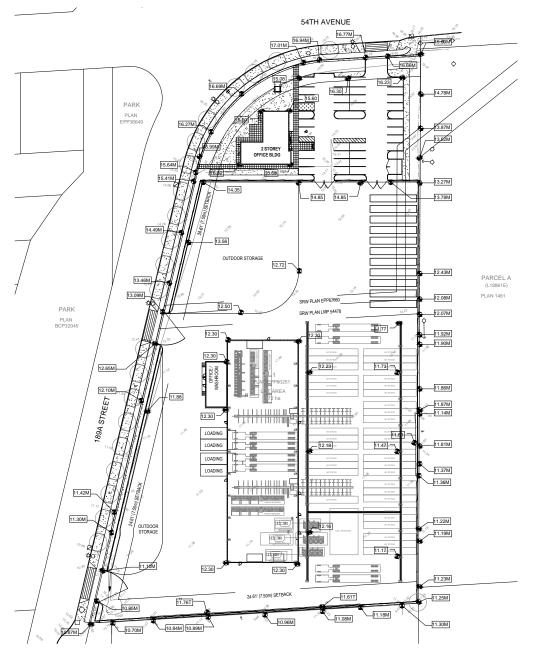
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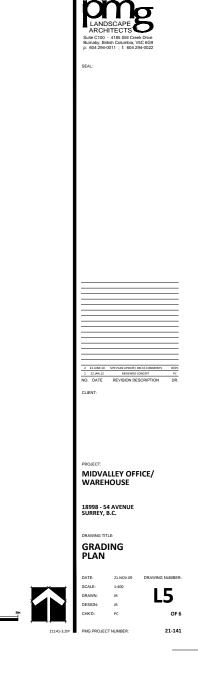
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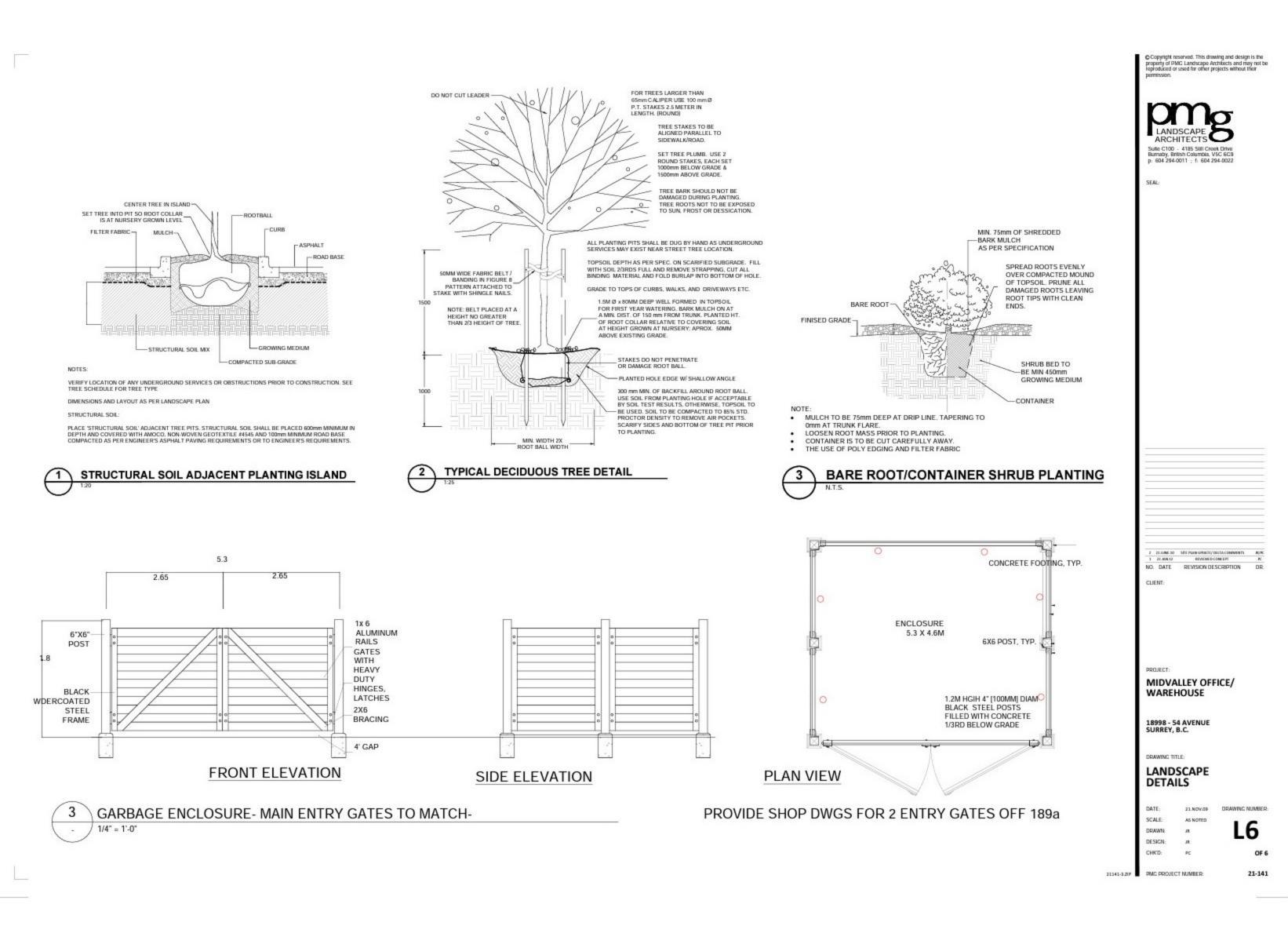
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**APPENDIX II** 

TO:	Manager, Area Planning - North Surrey Division Planning and Developm	L.		
FROM:	Development Services Manager, Engineering Department			
DATE:	April 27, 2022	PROJECT FILE:	7821-0309-00	
RE:	Engineering Requiremen Location: 18998 54 Ave	nts (Commercial/Industri	al)	

#### **DEVELOPMENT PERMIT**

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

#### **BUILDING PERMIT**

The following are required as a condition of the subsequent Building Permit issuance:

#### Works and Services

- Construct letdowns at access locations.
- Provide storm, sanitary and water service connections to service the development. Existing sanitary service connection within the on-site sanitary SRW must be removed.
- Register restrictive covenant (RC) for pumped sanitary connection, if applicable.
- Submit water meter and domestic service connection sizing calculations.
- Register RC for on-site detention and sustainable drainage features as per Cloverdale McLellan ISMP. On-lot parking areas are recommended to be directed to surface infiltration facilities such as a swale/bioswale where possible for initial pre-treatment. SWCP is required to confirm available downstream capacity.
- Register RC for water quality and sediment control facilities and on-going operation and maintenance.

A Mini Servicing Agreement is required.

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Jeff Pang, P.Eng. Development Services Manager

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# **Tree Preservation Summary**

Project Location:	18998 - 54th Avenue, Surrey, BC
Applicant/Developer:	Pacific Land Group
Consultant:	Jason Emery PN-8228A/TRAQ

# Summary Of Proposed Trees Retained, Removed and Replaced

		Number of
On-Site Trees		Trees
Protected Trees Identified (on-site and shared trees, inclu-	ding trees within boulevards and proposed	
streets and lanes, but exculding trees in proposed open spa	•	24
Protected Trees to be Removed		4
Protected Trees to be Retained (excluding trees within pro	oposed open space or riparian areas)	20
Total Replacement Trees Required:		
	Alder & Cottonwood Trees at 1:1	
	Replacement Ratio	0
	All other Trees Requiring 2:1 Replacement	
	Ratio	8
Replacement Trees Proposed		8
Replacement Trees in Deficit		*
Protected Trees to be Retained in Proposed [Open Space,	/Riparian Areas]	0

		Number of
Off-Site Trees		Trees
Protected Off-Site Trees to be Removed		0
Total Replacement Trees Required:		
	Alder & Cottonwood Trees Requiring 1:1	
	Replacement Ratio	0
Γ	All other Trees Requiring 2:1 Replacement	
	Ratio	0
Replacement Trees Proposed		*
Replacement Trees in Deficit		*

\* Unknown at this Time to be Advised by The City of Surrey

Summary Proposed and Submitted by:

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Jason Emery Certified Arborist PN-8228A Qualified Tree Risk Assessor

Date: August 18, 2021



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APPENDIX IV

# Electronic Memorandum

To: Dave MacPherson, Salit Steel

**Date:** June 14, 2022

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**Cc:** Rob Stevens, HGC Engineering

**Total Pages:** 2

From:

# Re: Salit Steel Surrey, British Columbia, Noise Impact Assessment Summary

Mr. MacPherson,

HGC Engineering was retained by Salit Steel to conduct a Noise Impact Assessment for the proposed Salit Steel facility at 18998 54<sup>th</sup> Avenue in Surrey, British Columbia. The study was undertaken to assess sound levels of proposed operations against the relevant City of Surrey Zoning By-law, in particular Part 48(J)(1)(b) which states:

- 1. Land and structures shall be used for the uses permitted in this Zone only if such uses:
  - (b) Do not emit noise in excess of 70 dB(A) measured at any point on any boundary of the lot on which the use is located, provided that where a lot abuts a lot other than an industrial lot the noise level shall not exceed 60 dB(A);

The subject property abuts industrial lands to the east, south and north (separated by 54 Avenue). 189A Street and a greenbelt separates the subject property from residential uses to the west (approximately 55 metres from the west property line).

The primary sources of sound onsite include outdoor handling of materials and scrap by forklift and crane, coupling and de-coupling of tractor trailers, and the sound from shearing of heavier gauges of re-bar emanating through open overhead doors. Secondary sources of sound include movements of trucks and forklifts on site. The facility is proposed to operate from 05:00 to 21:00 daily.

The Zoning By-law does not stipulate how the sound levels at the property boundary are to be assessed/measured. Under most Provincial noise guidelines in Canada, steady sources are typically assessed on a time-averaged (" $L_{EQ}$ ") basis over a defined assessment duration; often one hour. Note that the  $L_{EQ}$  sound level is the *energy-equivalent sound level*, and represents the integrated sound exposure level of both steady and time-varying sounds over the duration of the measurement. The Noise Impact Assessment was completed utilizing an  $L_{EQ}$  over a one-hour period.

A detailed study was completed and summarized in a report dated May 26, 2022. The main operations are understood to take place within the pre-engineered building with the doors closed in order to contain noise from the facility. The building will provide beneficial acoustic shielding for outdoor activities that may occur on the east side of the building (opposite the residential area further to the west).

Our analysis was based on sound emission levels of various equipment activities measured by HGC Engineering at another similar Salit Steel site. Predictive computer modeling took into account the

properties of the proposed building and surrounding structures and the modelling results indicate sound levels of 60 to 69 dBA at the property lines. The expected noise emitted from Salit Steel's operations at the subject property is predicted to meet the City of Surrey Zoning By-Law, Part 48(J)(1)(b), provided the overhead doors on the west and north sides of the facility remain closed during periods of elevated noise generation indoors.

We trust that this information is helpful, and look forward to being of further assistance. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours truly, Howe Gastmeier Chapnik Limited

Ian R. Bonsma, P.Eng., INCE Senior Associate

#### **Limitations**

Any conclusions or recommendations provided by HGC Engineering in this letter have limitations as detailed on our website: https://acoustical-consultants.com/limitations/.