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FROM:	G. KOTSIFAS P.ENG. MANAGING DIRECTOR, DEVELOPMENT & COMPLIANCE SERVICES AND CHIEF BUILDING OFFICIAL
SUBJECT:	APPLICATION BY: BANMAN DEVELOPMENTS (WEST) INC. 2095 CORONATION DRIVE PUBLIC SITE PLAN MEETING FEBRUARY 26,2013

## RECOMMENDATION

That on the recommendation of the Manager of Development Services and Planning Liaison, the following actions be taken with respect to the site plan approval application by Banman Developments (West) Inc. relating to the property located at 2095 Coronation Drive:

- a) on behalf of the Approval Authority, the Planning and Environment Committee BE REQUESTED to conduct a public meeting on the subject site plan application and REPORT TO the Approval Authority the issues, if any, raised at the public meeting with respect to the application for Site Plan approval; and
- b) Council **ADVISE** the Approval Authority of any issues they may have with respect to the Site Plan application and **ADVISE** the Approval Authority whether they support the Site Plan application for the residential development.

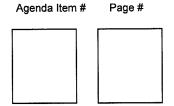
# PREVIOUS REPORTS PERTINENT TO THIS MATTER

November 26, 2012, Report to PEC to rezone the lands from Neighbourhood Facility to R5 to permit townhouses.

## PURPOSE AND EFFECT OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The purpose of the report is to request the Planning & Environment Committee conduct a public participation meeting to receive feedback from the public and for Planning & Environment Committee and Council to provide advice to the Approval Authority when they are considering the plans, elevations, and requirements for the Site Plan.

The need for public engagement is to satisfy the h-5 holding provision.



## **APPLICATION DETAILS**

**Date Application Accepted:** 

Agent:

October 15, 2012

Ric Knutson, Knutson Development

Consultants Inc.

#### **REQUESTED ACTION:**

Application for Site Plan Approval for a 102 unit cluster townhouse development.

### SITE CHARACTERISTICS:

- Current Land Use Vacant
- Frontage 171 m
- Depth 248 m
- Area 27 200 m²
- Shape Rectangular

## **SURROUNDING LAND USES:**

- North Residential and Public Park
- South Institutional (Place of Worship)
- East Public Park and Residential
- West Residential

OFFICIAL PLAN DESIGNATION: Multi Family Medium Density Residential

EXISTING ZONING: h.h-5.R5-5(2)

## SIGNIFICANT DEPARTMENT/AGENCY COMMENTS

There are no significant issues.

PUBLIC LIAISON:

On February 5, 2013 notice of public meeting was sent out to area property owners and on February 21, 2013, notice of public meeting was placed in the Londoner.

**Nature of Liaison:** Application for Site Plan Approval for a 102 unit cluster townhouse development.

**Responses:** To date there have been no emails or calls.

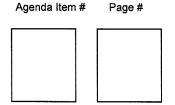


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On July 19, 2012, Banman Developments (West) Inc. filed an application for rezoning to change the zone from NF to R5 to permit Townhouses. On November 26, 2012, a public meeting of PEC was held and PEC recommended approval to Council. On December 11, 2012, City Council Resolved that the By-Law be passed and the Site Plan Approval Authority address the following design objectives through the Site Plan Application Process:

- i) a site plan and building elevations of a higher standard of design than shown in the illustrations be submitted;
- ii) minimize the number of points of egress and ingress to the site at these points, use building materials on the adjacent units to create a gateway effect;
- iii) no garages fronting onto Coronation Drive;
- iv) corner units at the intersection of the private road and Coronation Drive to incorporate the same building form, architectural elements, and materials as those units seen from the street to create a gateway effect;
- v) buildings shall be located to frame the public park and architectural elements, such as principle entrance doors and windows, are to be located on building facades facing the park.
- vi) fencing around the perimeter of the park to be low in height and of a high quality e.g. decorative black iron.
- vii) internal sidewalks around the perimeter of the park should connect with sidewalks in the neighbourhood.
- viii) landscape features are recommended at entrances from the sidewalks into the public park;
- ix) landscape features to attenuate the visual effect of parking areas are to be provided;
- x) pedestrian access to the park at the end of the driveway into the neighbourhood should be considered;
- xi) landscaping is to be provided on the west side of the site along Coronation Drive to strengthen the street edge; it being noted that landscaping to screen the parking area at the south driveway into the site should be provided;
- xii) privacy for residential properties to the north and east of the site should be considered;
- xiii) incorporate architectural variations in the individual units of the elevations on the street and park frontages;
- xiv) limit the maximum deck heights to no higher than the first finished floor level for each dwelling;
- xv) ensure the property is graded to not flood the neighbouring properties.



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## **Description of the Site Plan**

The Property has two accesses from Coronation Drive directly opposite each end of Kimball Crescent.

The northerly access/drive provides a view to the public park to the east.

Parking is provided along the fronts of each unit and within garages on the interior of the site. The units facing Coronation Drive have their parking off the internal drive behind these units.

There is a private park/amenity space, centrally located west of the Public Park. This private amenity space is accessed by pedestrian walkways throughout the site. There is no walkway to the Public Park.

# Does the Site Plan Comply with the R5-5(2) Zone?

The proposed site plan conforms to the zoning by-law.

The front yard setback was reduced from 6m to 4.5m through the special provision in the Zoning. The other regulation in the special provision requires that the deck height is to be no higher than the first finished floor level. The proposed plans will be revised to show this, and this will be confirmed at the permit stage.

The plan also provides for a 1.8m high board on board fence on the north property line abutting the residential lots and a 1.5m high black wrought iron (iron eagle) fence abutting the park.

There are two holding provisions:

h-5

Purpose: To ensure that development takes a form compatible with adjacent land uses, agreements shall be entered into following public site plan review specifying the issues allowed for under Section 41 of the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, c.P.13, prior to the removal of the "h-5" symbol.

Permitted Interim Uses: Existing uses (Z-.1-94236)

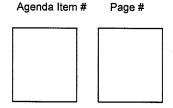
This holding provision requires the holding of a site plan public meeting and the entering into a development agreement, before the holding provision can be removed.

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Purpose: To ensure the orderly development of lands and the adequate provision of municipal services, the "h" symbol shall not be deleted until a subdivision agreement or development agreement is entered into for the lands in question with the City of London.

Permitted Interim Uses: Existing Uses and/or Model Homes in accordance with Section 4.5(2) of By-law Z-1.

This holding provision cannot be removed until the Development Agreement has been entered into.



# Is the Site Plan Compatible with the Neighbourhood?

The proposed site will be extensively landscaped. The design has been prepared by Ron Koudys Landscape Architects Inc. The plan has included urban design objectives and the plans adequately include all of the elements such as, shade trees, a strong street presence and privacy to the neighbouring residential lands.

#### Other Issues

The following design objectives were addressed as requested by Municipal Council on December 11, 2012:

i) A site plan and building elevations of higher standard of design.

The higher standard has been addressed as seen on the attached building elevation drawings and is supported by Urban Design staff.

ii) Minimize points of egress and ingress.

There are two points of egress and ingress as shown on the attached Site Plan.

iii) No garages fronting onto Coronation Drive.

There are no garages fronting onto Coronation Drive.

iv) Corner units at the intersection of the private road and Coronation Drive to incorporate the same building form, architectural elements as those units seen from the street to create a gateway effect.

As shown on the proposed building elevation drawings, the corner units create a gateway effect.

v) Buildings shall be located to frame the public Park and architectural elements such as principle entrance doors and windows are to be located on building facades facing the park.

This has been addressed by the use of man doors as well as a decorative porch feature on all units adjacent to the park. (see attached drawing).

vi) Fencing around the perimeter of the park to be low in height and of a high quality e.g. decorative black iron.

The proposed fencing is 1.5m high black wrought iron (iron eagle) fence. (as shown on the latest site plan and landscape plan). This meets the minimum height for a fence abutting a Park.

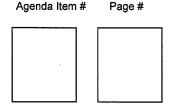
vii) Internal sidewalks around the perimeter of the park should connect with sidewalks in the neighbourhood.

The sidewalks throughout the site connect the private park with the City sidewalk.

viii) Landscape features are recommended at entrances from the sidewalks into the public park.

There will not be landscape features installed at the entrances from the sidewalks into the public park as there will not be a direct connection.

ix) Landscape features to attenuate the visual effect of parking areas are to be provided.



All parking spaces are located on the interior of the site and landscaping is proposed between the parking and the dwelling unit.

x) Pedestrian access to the park at the end of the driveway into the neighbourhood should be considered.

The applicant has considered a pedestrian access to the public park but is concerned with the potential liability for damage to private property by the public passing through the site. Consequently, their plan does not provide any gates into the Park.

xi) Landscaping is to be provided on the west side of the site along Coronation Drive to Strengthen the street edge; it being noted that landscaping to screen the parking area at the south driveway into the site should be provided;

Landscaping is proposed to strengthen the street edge. Landscaping to screen the parking area east of the south entrance is proposed.

xii) Privacy for residential properties to the north and east of the site should be considered.

Privacy fencing (1.8m high wood fence) and landscape materials will screen the adjacent residential properties. Additional plantings will be added to implement this.

xiii) Incorporate architectural variations in the individual units of the elevations on the street and park frontages.

The buildings that face Coronation Drive have been improved with the middle unit of each building having a stone element from the ground to the eave, as well as having the siding incorporate tonal differences in the units that face the park.

xiv) Limit the maximum deck heights to no higher than the first finished floor level for each dwelling unit.

This has been addressed as a special provision in the Zoning By-law and decks will be added to the elevation drawings to confirm this.

xv) Ensure the property is graded to not flood the neighbouring properties.

Grading plans are under review by Engineering Review. Generally, the surface run-off will be directed to the storm sewer system on the site and generally contained. Neighbouring properties should not be affected by the design.

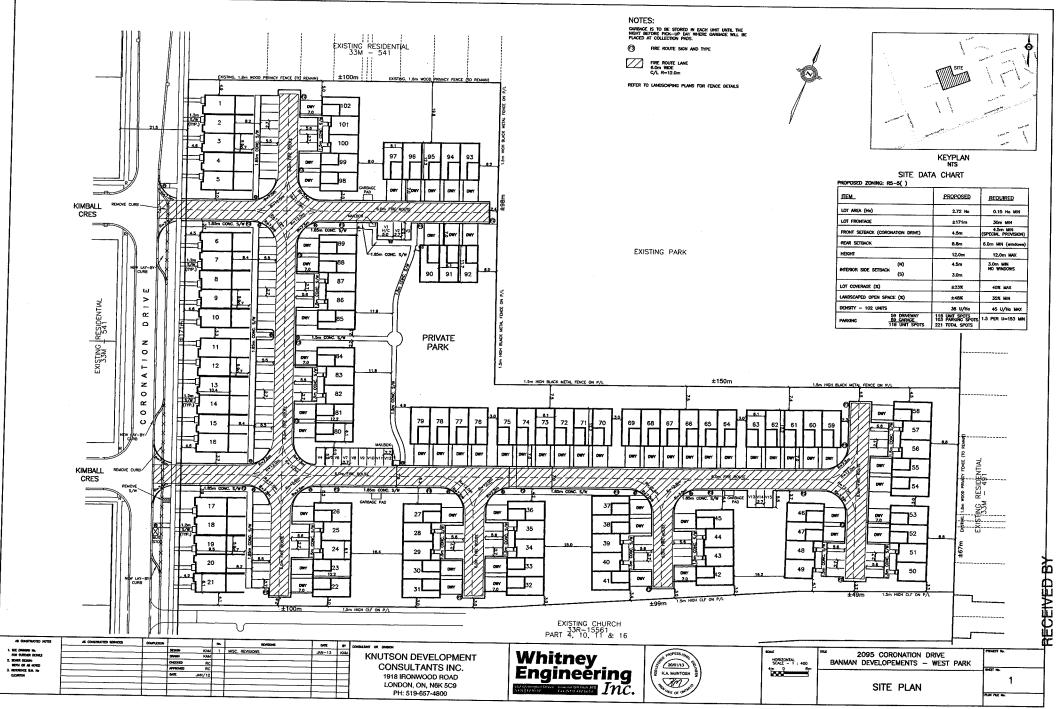
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## CONCLUSION

Based on a review of the applicable Official Plan policies, the Zoning By-law, permitted uses and regulations, and the Provincial Policy Statement, approval of the submitted site plan and elevations by the Approval Authority will be appropriate for the development of these lands. The proposal represents good land use planning and subject to the results of the public meeting, the plans and drawings could be recommended for approval to the Approval Authority along with a standard Development Agreement subject to the approval of the servicing plans, updates to the landscape plan and the re-construction of the blocks and ultimately the removal of the holding provisions.

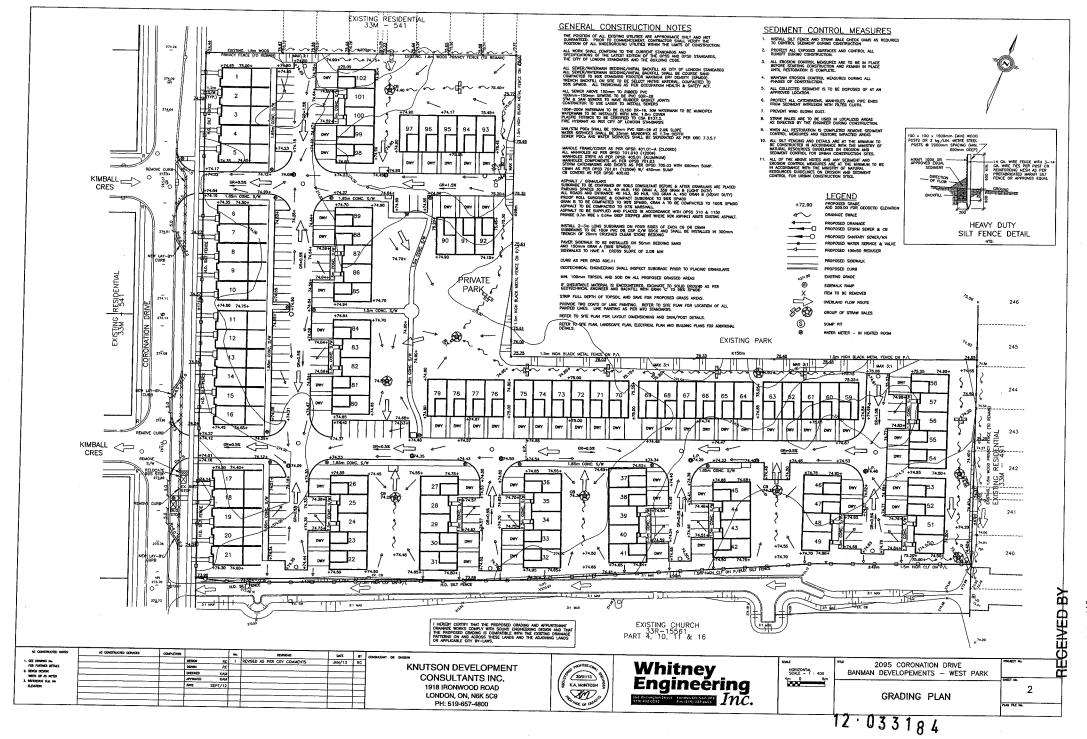
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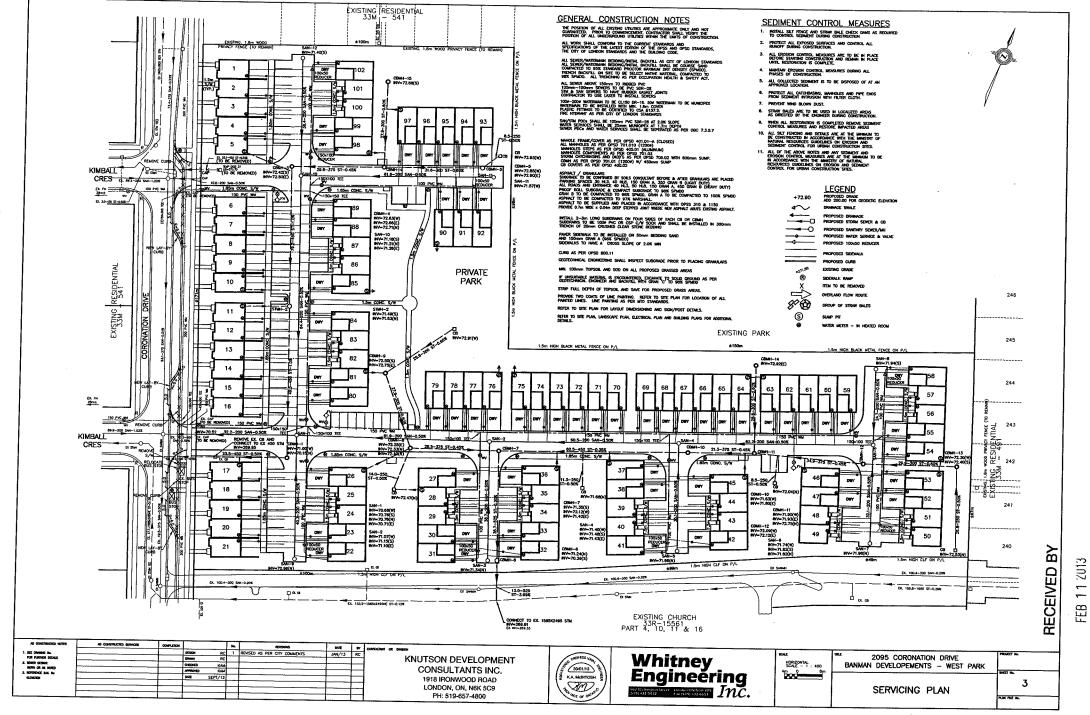
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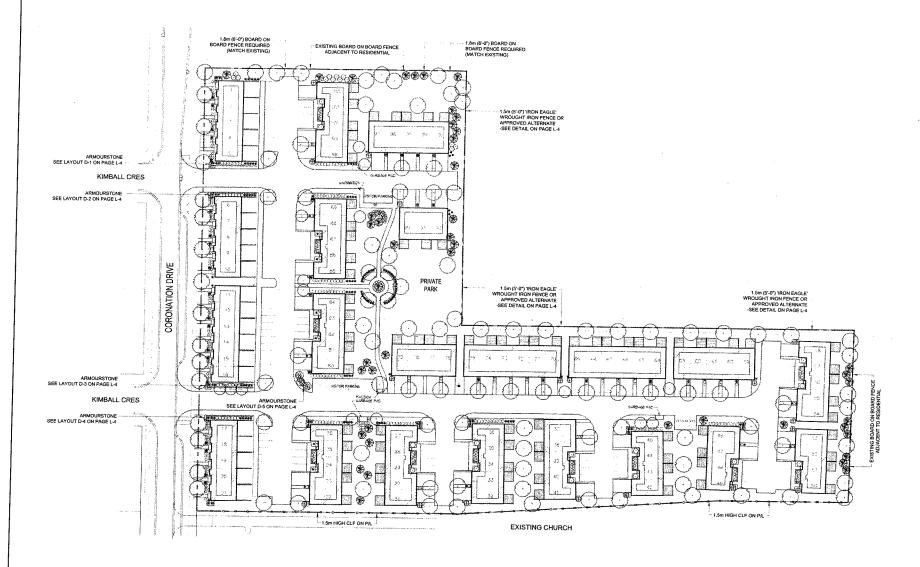


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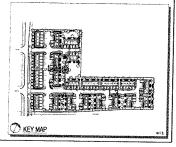
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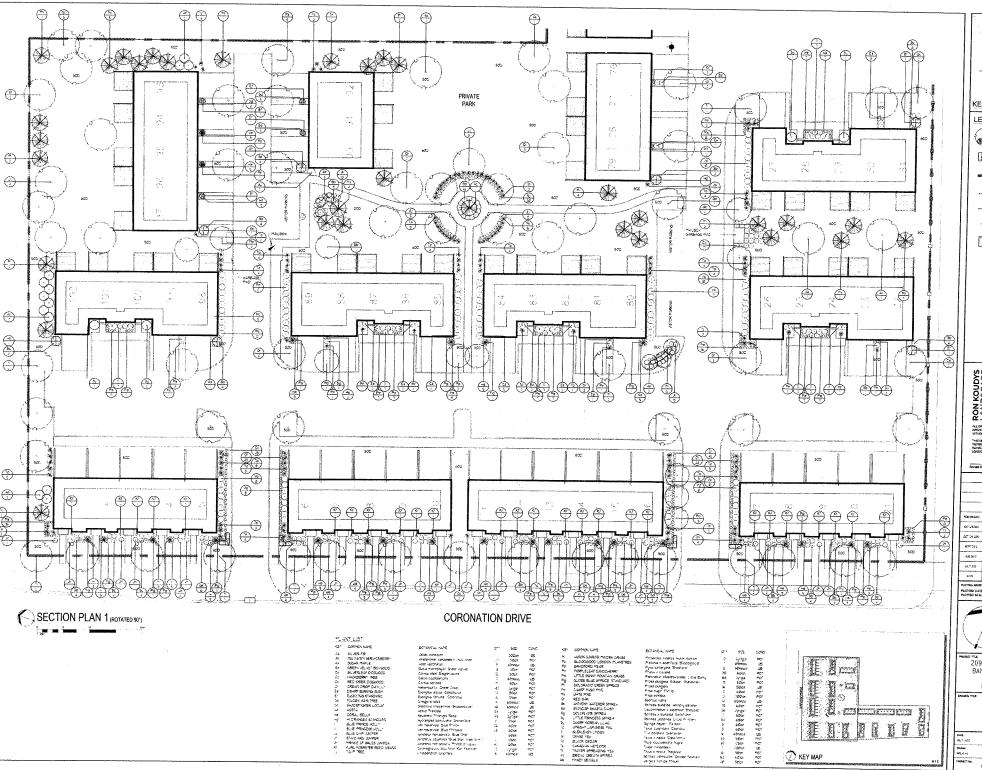


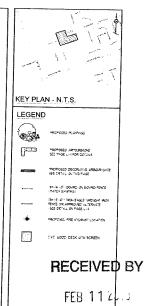


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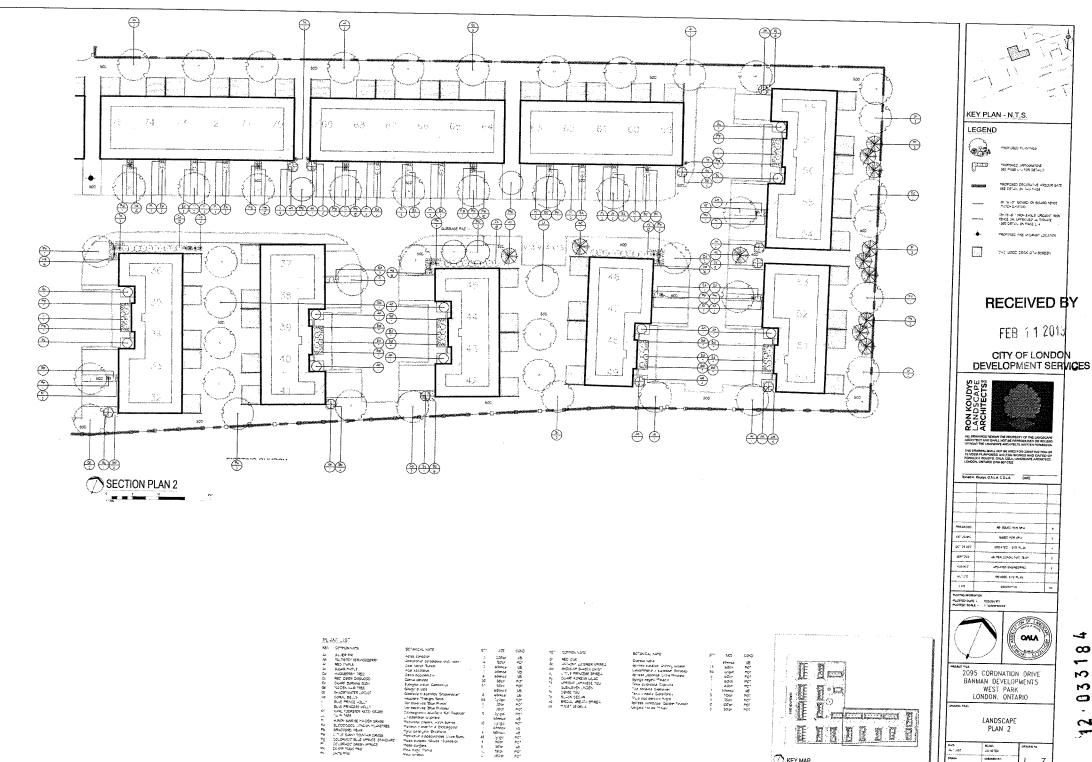
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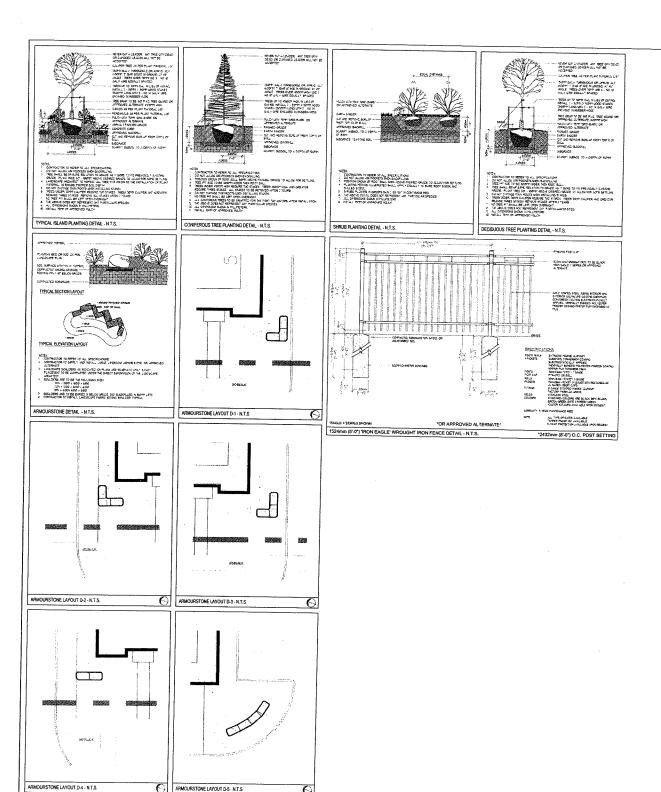
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