

MEMORANDUM

Date: October 2, 2007

To: Wayland Planning Board

From: Kenneth Buckland, AICP LEED AP, The Cecil Group

RE: Report on revised Wayland MPS Application: Signage, Landscape,

Streetscape and Lighting

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The following is the second review by The Cecil Group of the landscape plans submitted by the applicant for the Wayland Master Special Permit Application for the Wayland Town Center Mixed Use Overlay District (MSP submittal). This memo follows two previous review memos.

New Submittals

The additional information that was provided in the interim period since the last public hearing on September 18th, includes seven sheets LH-1 through LH-7. The plans are entitled "Master Plan Special Permit Public Hearing Accompanying Sheets." The plans include the following:

- 1:10 scale plans for four areas.
- Cross-sections of the northern project buffer, typical street, pedestrian mews, and along the buffer between the future market building and future bike path.
- Revised site plans at 1:60 scale.

Zoning Criteria for Review

Based on our review of the regulations, some of the issues regarding the elements of our review before the Board include compliance with the performance standards of section 2309, plus an understanding of the level of design that needs to be provided at this MUP Master Special Permit stage to allow the Board to make later findings of "compliance" under the Site Plan Reviews (section 2304.4).

The newly submitted landscape plans provide additional detail in terms of additional plantings along the buffers and within the parking lots, more detail on the streetscape, and additional information on the buffers. In conformance with the regulations, sections 2309.1 and 2309.3, the Board will need to make findings as to:

- 1. Whether the plantings meet the multiple criteria of 2309.1.1., and section 2309.7.
- 2. Whether the streets and sidewalk designs meet the criteria of section 2309.6.

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- Whether the buffer plantings meet the standard to "create visual barriers" (2309.3) for particular features, including the loading docks at the rear of the market.
- 4. In addition, we recommend the Board determine that the new submittal is part of the Master Special Permit application, to clarify the listed title of those sheets.

Review Comments on New Submittals

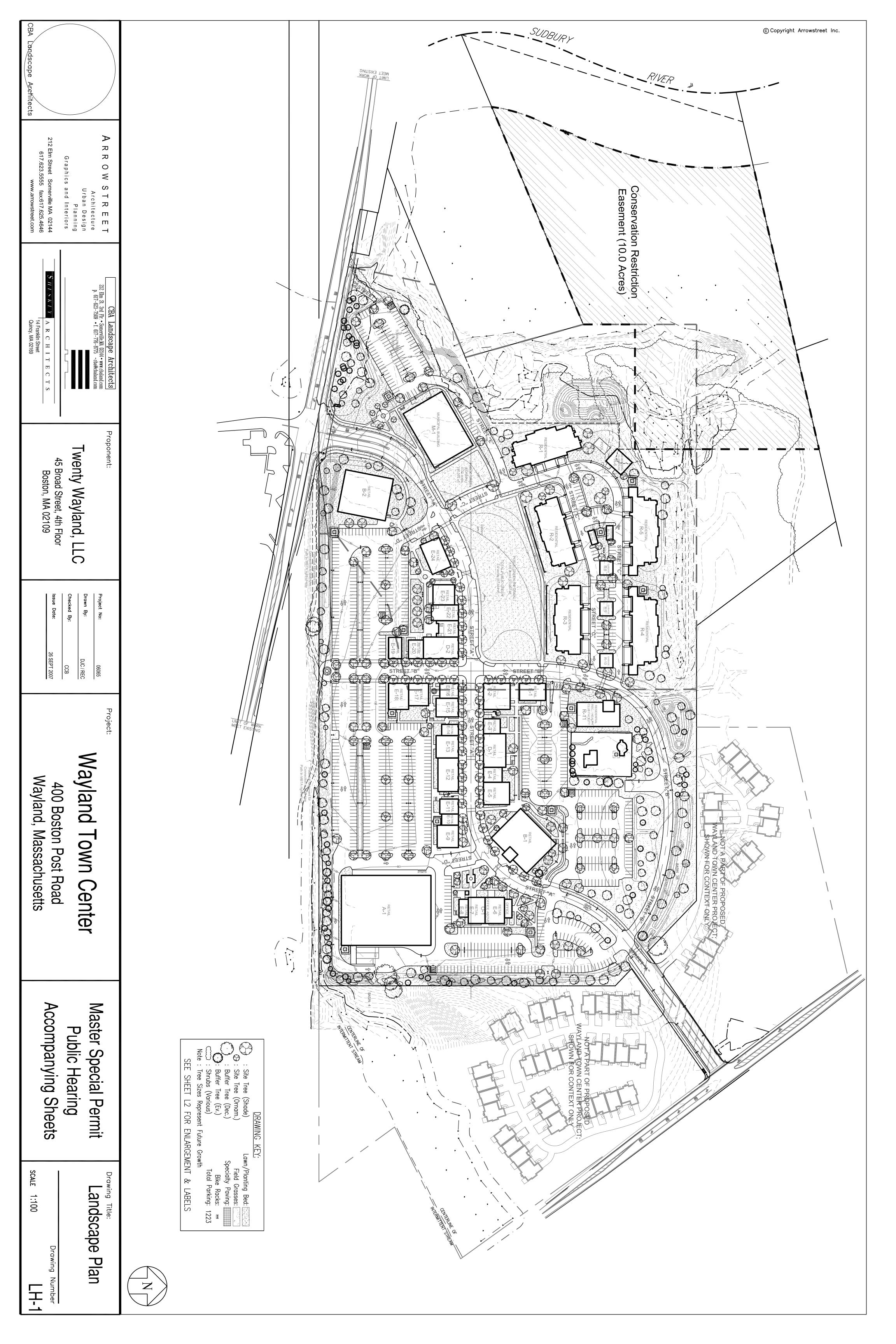
The new submittal shows certain changes and indications of design that the Board may wish to further clarify:

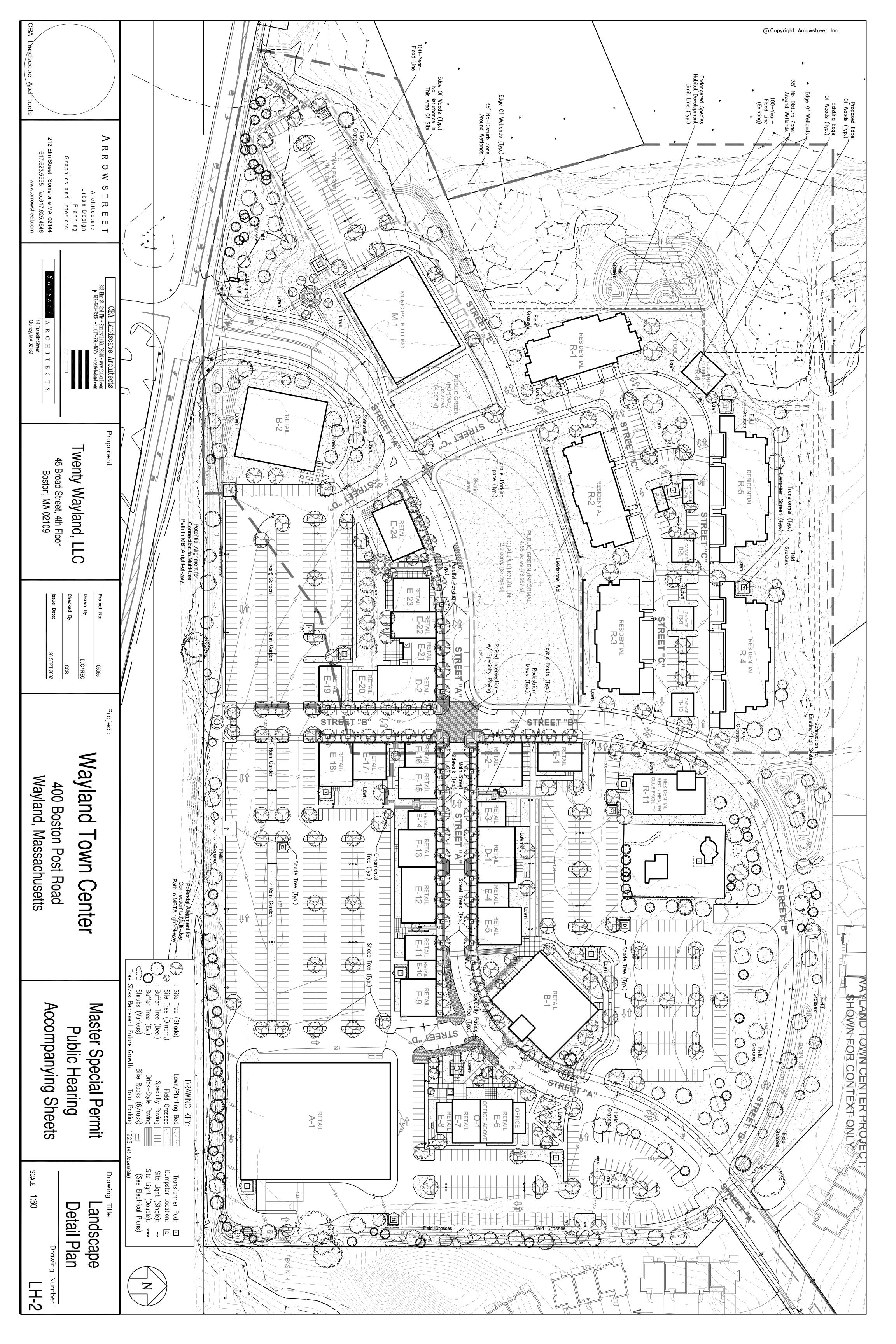
- 1. The site plans both at 1:10 and 1:60 scale show tree plantings but not shrubs. However, shrubs are indicated in the cross-sections. The previously planting plans, L-1 through L-6, include plant schedules that must be updated to conform to the revised planting plans on the 'LH' sheets and include the shrub plantings.
- 2. The new site plans show additional tree plantings not indicated on the original MSP submittal. The previously planting plans, L-1 through L-6, include plant schedules that must be updated to conform to the revised planting plans on the 'LH' sheets.
- 3. The 1:10 scale details indicate such callouts as "specialty paving," and "secondary sidewalks," without providing more clarity as to what these entail or the level of quality and construction. The specialty paving could include a range of options from pressed asphalt to brick pavers, which we consider a very broad range of options.
- 4. The cross-section along the bike path shows the suggested plantings along the market building. Although the plantings allow the building architecture to properly become part of the landscape, the Board must make a finding that a "visual buffer" is provided at the loading dock with this plan. A denser buffer may be warranted to meet this criterion at that building and property corner.

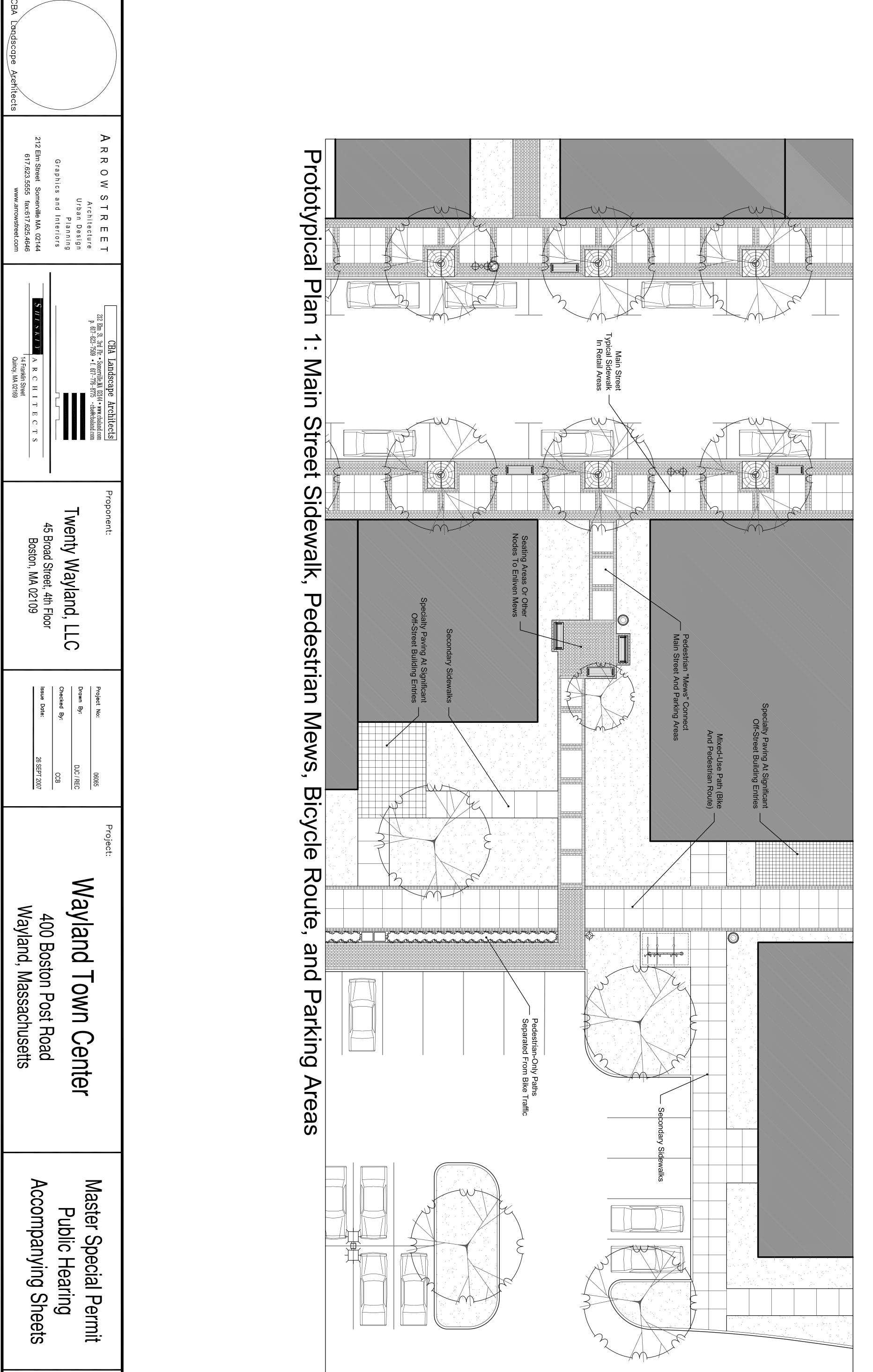
Recommendation

We recommend clarification of the above details to provide a clearer understanding of the project proposal so the Board can later make the appropriate finding of "compliance" during the subsequent Site Plan Review stage.

This completes this stage review by The Cecil Group. We will present these findings at the October 2nd hearing and will be available for further questions and discussion.







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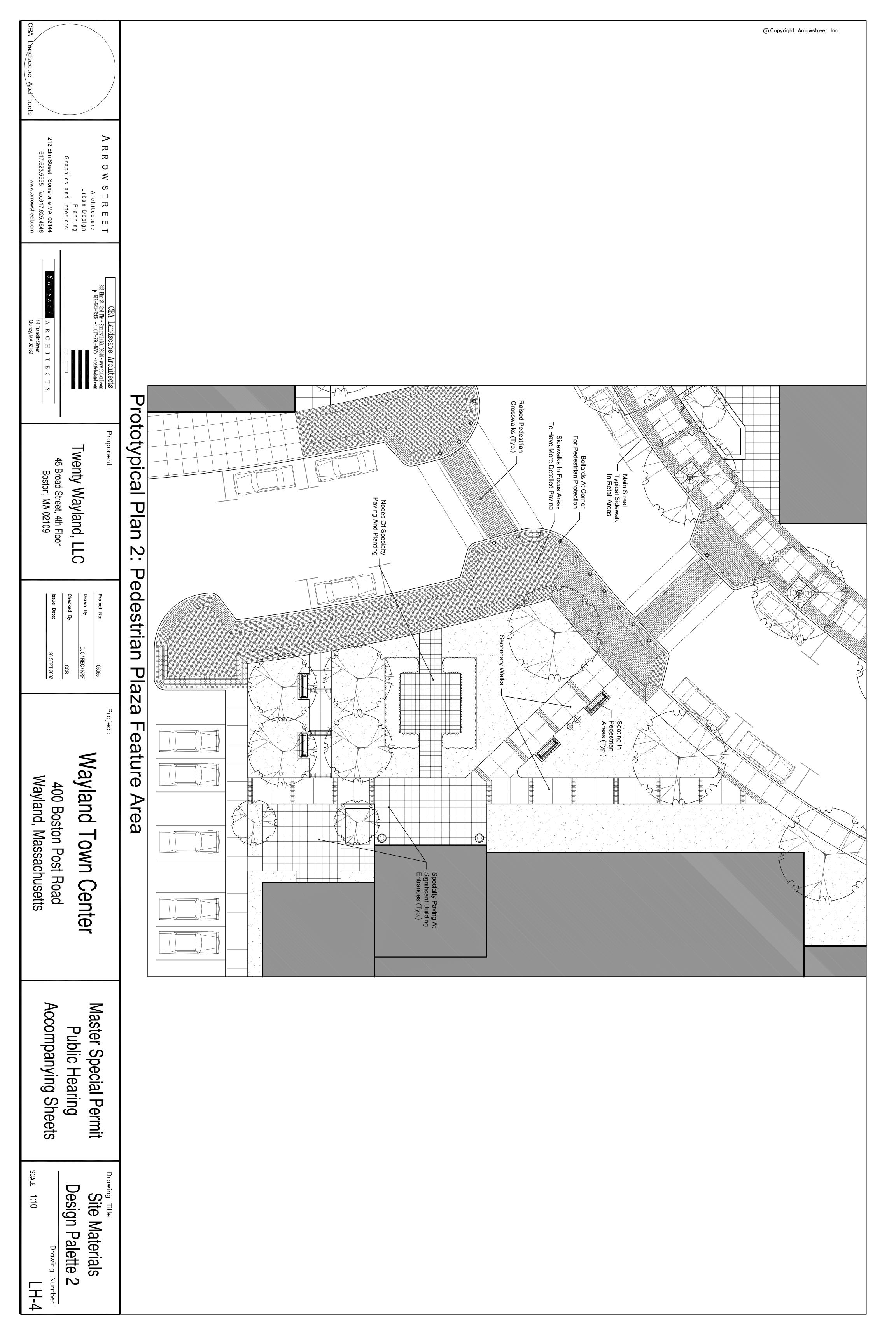
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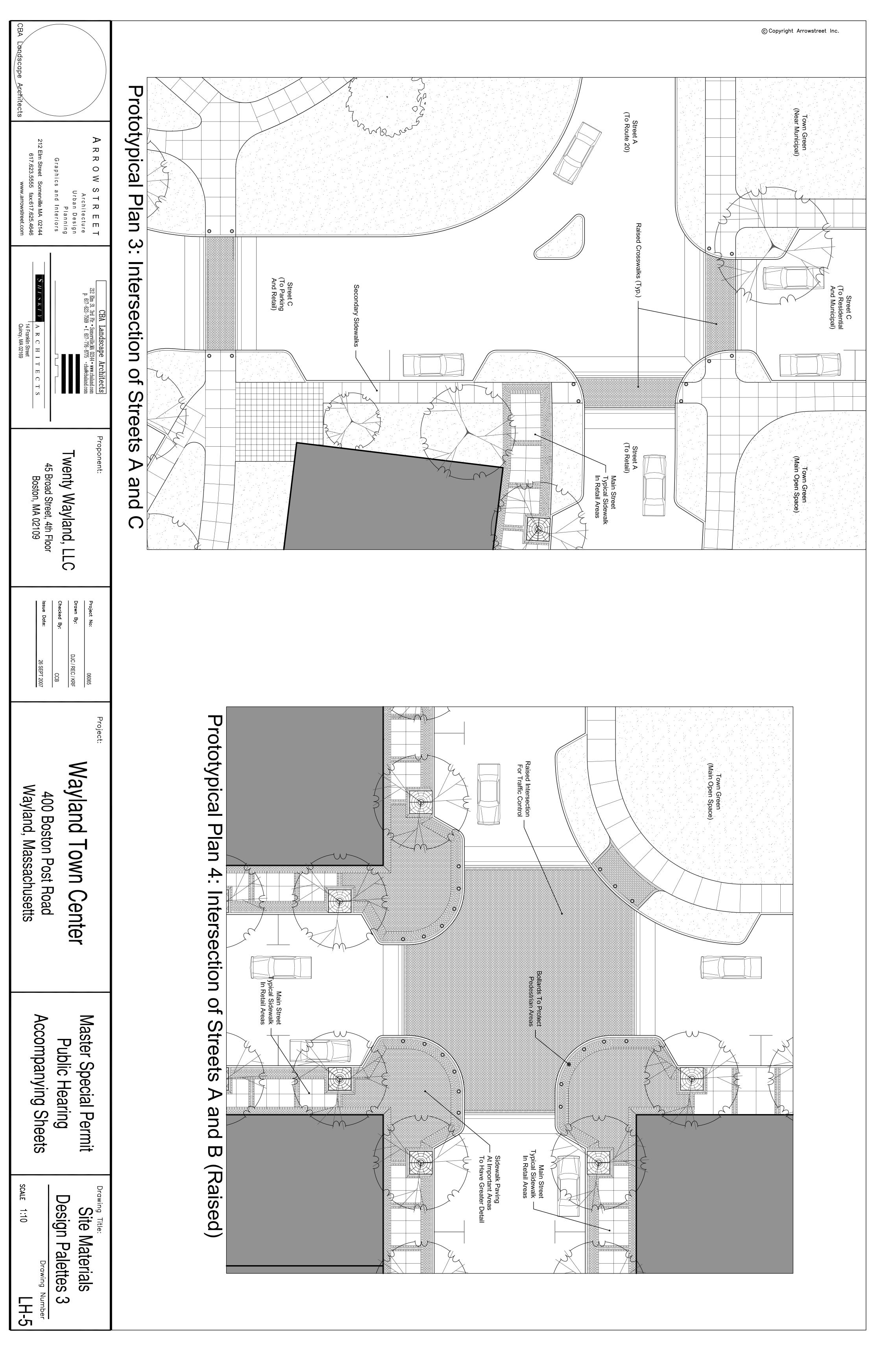
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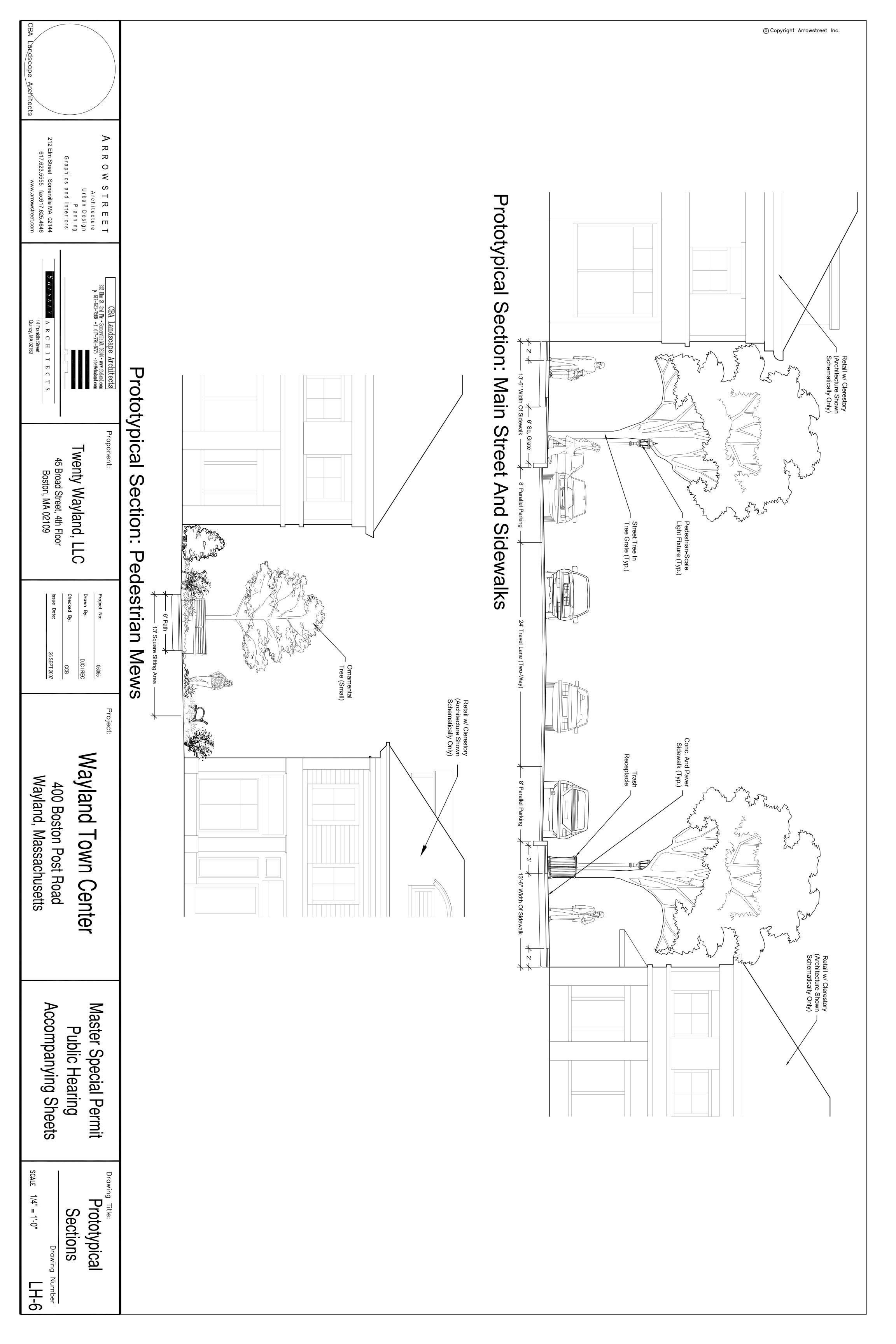
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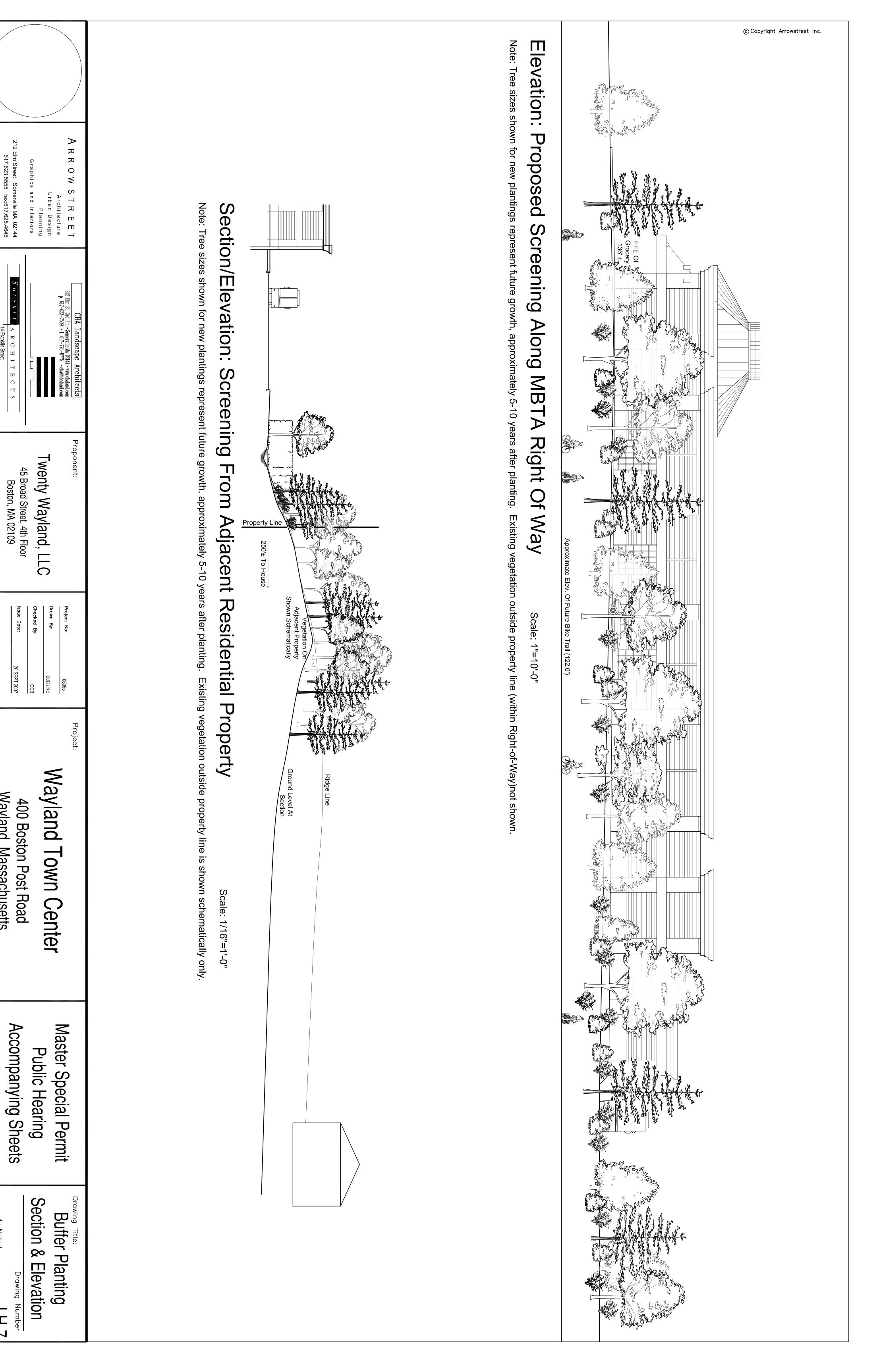
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