

# PLANNING BOARD

CITY HALL ANNEX, 344 BROADWAY, CAMBRIDGE, MA 02139

## **SPECIAL PERMIT APPLICATION • COVER SHEET**

In accordance with the requirements of the City of Cambridge Zoning Ordinance, the undersigned hereby petitions the Planning Board for one or more Special Permits for the premises indicated below.

| Location of Premises:                                  |                            |  |                       |
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| Zoning District:                                       |                            |  |                       |
| Applicant Name:  |                            |  |                       |
| Applicant Address:                                     |                            |  |                       |
| Contact Information:                                   |                            |  |                       |
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| Signature of Applicant:                                |                            |  |                       |
| For the Planning Board, the (CDD) on the date specifie |                            | ceived by the Community De   | evelopment Department |
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# 541 MASSACHUSETTS AVE, CAMBRIDGE, MA 02139



Amendment to Application for Special Permit to Operate a Co-located Registered Marijuana Dispensary & Cannabis Retail Store

September 12th, 2019

#### Revolutionary Clinics, II

Proposed co-located RMD and Cannabis Retail Store 541 Massachusetts Avenue

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  - Community Engagement Summary
  - Qless Summary
  - Certificate of Ownership

### **Project Address:**

## **Application Date:**

|                                | Existing | Allowed or<br>Required (max/min) | Proposed | Permitted |
|--------------------------------|----------|----------------------------------|----------|-----------|
| Lot Area (sq ft)               |          |                                  |          |           |
| Lot Width (ft)                 |          |                                  |          |           |
| Total Gross Floor Area (sq ft) |          |                                  |          |           |
| Residential Base               |          |                                  |          |           |
| Non-Residential Base           |          |                                  |          |           |
| Inclusionary Housing Bonus     |          |                                  |          |           |
| Total Floor Area Ratio         |          |                                  |          |           |
| Residential Base               |          |                                  |          |           |
| Non-Residential Base           |          |                                  |          |           |
| Inclusionary Housing Bonus     |          |                                  |          |           |
| Total Dwelling Units           |          |                                  |          |           |
| Base Units                     |          |                                  |          |           |
| Inclusionary Bonus Units       |          |                                  |          |           |
| Base Lot Area / Unit (sq ft)   |          |                                  |          |           |
| Total Lot Area / Unit (sq ft)  |          |                                  |          |           |
| Building Height(s) (ft)        |          |                                  |          |           |
| Front Yard Setback (ft)        |          |                                  |          |           |
| Side Yard Setback (ft)         |          |                                  |          |           |
| Side Yard Setback (ft)         |          |                                  |          |           |
| Rear Yard Setback (ft)         |          |                                  |          |           |
| Open Space (% of Lot Area)     |          |                                  |          |           |
| Private Open Space             |          |                                  |          |           |
| Permeable Open Space           |          |                                  |          |           |
| Other Open Space (Specify)     |          |                                  |          |           |
| Off-Street Parking Spaces      |          |                                  |          |           |
| Long-Term Bicycle Parking      |          |                                  |          |           |
| Short-Term Bicycle Parking     |          |                                  |          |           |
| Loading Bays                   |          |                                  |          |           |

Use space below and/or attached pages for additional notes:

#### **Project Address:**

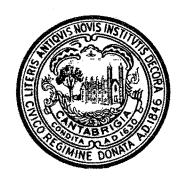
#### **Application Date:**

The Applicant must provide the full fee (by check or money order) with the Special Permit Application. Depending on the nature of the proposed project and the types of Special Permit being sought, the required fee is the larger of the following amounts:

- If the proposed project includes the creation of new or substantially rehabilitated floor area, or a change of use subject to Section 19.20, the fee is ten cents (\$0.10) per square foot of total proposed Gross Floor Area.
- If a Flood Plain Special Permit is being sought as part of the Application, the fee is one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00), unless the amount determined above is greater.
- In any case, the minimum fee is one hundred fifty dollars (\$150.00).

#### **Fee Calculation**

| TOTAL SPECIAL PERMIT FEE          | Enter Larger of the       | e Above Amounts:     |
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| Other Special Permit              | Enter \$150.00 if no othe | r fee is applicable: |
| Flood Plain Special Permit        | Enter \$1,00              | 00.00 if applicable: |
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**City Department/Office:** 

### CITY OF CAMBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS

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# CERTIFICATION OF RECEIPT OF PLANS BY CITY OF CAMBRIDGE TRAFFIC, PARKING & TRANSPORTATION

| Project Address:   |  |
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| Applicant Name:  |  |
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| For the purpose of fulfilling the requirements of Section 19.20 and/or 6.35.1 at the Cambridge Zoning Ordinance, this is to certify that this Department is in reapplication documents submitted to the Planning Board for approval of a Projectical Permit for the above referenced development project: (a) an application small format application plans at 11" x 17" or the equivalent and (c) Certified To Department understands that the receipt of these documents does not obligate action related thereto. | ceipt of the<br>ect Review<br>on narrative, (b)<br>raffic Study. The |
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| Signature of City Department/Office Representative   | Date   |



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# CERTIFICATION OF RECEIPT OF PLANS BY CITY OF CAMBRIDGE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

| City Department/Office:  |     |
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| Project Address:   |     |
| Applicant Name:  |     |
| For the purpose of fulfilling the requirements of Section 19.20 of the Cambridge Zoning Ordinance, this is to certify that this Department is in receipt of the application documents submitted to the Planning Board for approval of a Project Review Special Permit for the aboreferenced development project: (a) an application narrative and (b) small format application plans at 11" x 17" or the equivalent. The Department understands that the receipt of these documents does not obligate it to take any action related thereto. |     |
| Signature of City Department/Office Representative   | ate |



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# CERTIFICATION OF RECEIPT OF PLANS BY CITY OF CAMBRIDGE TREE ARBORIST

| City Department/Office:   |            |
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| Project Address:  |            |
| Applicant Name:   |            |
| For the purpose of fulfilling the requirements of Section 4.26, 19.20 or 11.10 of the Cambi<br>Zoning Ordinance, this is to certify that this Department is in receipt of the application<br>documents submitted to the Planning Board for approval of a MultiFamily, Project Review<br>Fownhouse Special Permit for the above referenced development project: a Tree Study w<br>shall include (a) Tree Survey, (b) Tree Protection Plan and if applicable, (c) Mitigation Plan,<br>swenty one days before the Special Permit application to Community Development. | or<br>hich |
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# CERTIFICATION OF RECEIPT OF PLANS BY CITY OF CAMBRIDGE WATER DEPARTMENT

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| Project Address:  |          |
| Applicant Name:   |          |
| For the purpose of fulfilling the requirements of Section 19.20 of the Cambridge Zoning Ordinance, this is to certify that this Department is in receipt of the application documents submitted to the Planning Board for approval of a Project Review Special Permit for the above referenced development project: (a) an application narrative and (b) small format application plans at 11" x 17" or the equivalent. The Department understands that the receipt of these documents does not obligate it to take any action related thereto. |          |
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# CERTIFICATION OF RECEIPT OF PLANS BY CITY OF CAMBRIDGE LEED SPECIALIST

| City Department/Office:  |                                    |
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| Project Address:   |                                    |
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| For the purpose of fulfilling the requirements of Section 22.20 of the Cambridge Zoni Ordinance, this is to certify that this Department is in receipt of the application document of the Planning Board for approval of a Special Permit for the above refered evelopment project: (a) an application narrative, (b) small format application plans 17" or the equivalent and (c) completed LEED Project Checklist for the appropriate LED pullding standard, accompanying narrative and affidavit. The Department understand the receipt of these documents does not obligate it to take any action related theretoes. | ments enced at 11" x EED ands that |
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#### Revolutionary Clinics, II, Inc.

#### Proposed co-located Registered Marijuana Dispensary and Cannabis Retail Store

#### 541 Massachusetts Avenue

#### Project Narrative and Request for Special Permit Amendment and Relief

#### **Summary of Proposal**

On December 18, 2018, Revolutionary Clinics II, Inc., (RevC2), was granted a Special Permit by the Planning Board to operate a Registered Marijuana Dispensary, pursuant to Sections 11.800 and 10.43 of the Zoning Ordinance, at 541 Massachusetts Avenue. See Notice of Decision, Planning Board case No. 339, filed January 11, 2019.

RevC2 now proposes, pursuant to 11.802.1 (c) of the Zoning Ordinance and Chapter 55 of the Acts of 2017, *An Act to Ensure Safe Access to Marijuana*, 935 CMR 500.00, to co-locate a Cannabis Retail Store at the same site. The requested amendment to Special Permit 339 does not propose adding any off-street parking.

The proposal includes renovation of the 6,025 square feet located on the first floor of the existing structure and includes minor renovations to the exterior façade.

RevC2 has previously submitted in connection with its application for Special Permit 339, and incorporates by reference herein, Special Permit Application Forms, Project Narrative, Description of Activities, Service Area, Transportation Analysis, Community Outreach Summary, Dimensional Form and detailed architectural drawings and plan sets prepared and revised by Elton + Hampton Architects, including Context Map, Proximity Uses Map, Site Plan, Elevations, Renderings and Floor Plans. See attached as Exhibit A, Special Permit Application for RMD at 541 Massachusetts Avenue.

The site is within the Central Square Overlay District. A report was issued by the Central Square Advisory Committee, in connection with Special Permit 339, dated October 1, 2018. Moreover, also in connection with Special Permit 339, the City of Cambridge submitted Memorandums from CDD staff dated October 10, 2018 and December 10, 2018 and a Memorandum from Joseph E. Barr, Director of Traffic, Parking and Transportation dated October 12, 2018.

#### **Requested Special Permit Relief**

The project is located in the Business B (BB) District and requires a Special Permit to allow a Cannabis Retail Store use per Section 11.800, et seq. RevC2 seeks specific Special Permit relief per 11.803.1, 11.803.3, 11.805 and 10.43.

#### Project Narrative pursuant to 11.804 (a) thru (g)

Description of Activities: a narrative providing information about the type and scale of all activities that will take
place on the proposed site, including but not limited to cultivating and processing of Cannabis Products, on-site
sales, off-site deliveries, distribution of educational materials, and other programs or activities.

RevC2 proposes to co-locate a Cannabis Retail Store at 541 Massachusetts Avenue. This site has been approved for a Registered Marijuana Dispensary. See Notice of Decision, Planning Board case No. 339, filed January 11, 2019. RevC2 will maintain its commitment to provide cannabis products to patients for medical use and will specifically designate a portion of its inventory, as required by CCC directive, for those purposes. RevC2 seeks by this application to provide cannabis products for non-medical use within the same 6,025 square foot space located on the first floor of 541 Massachusetts Avenue, Cambridge, pursuant to Ordinance No. 1404 and Section 3(a)(1)(i) of MGL Chapter 94G, as amended by Section 23 of Chapter 55 of the Acts of 2017. There will be no cultivation or processing of cannabis products at this location, nor will there be any off-site deliveries made to customers. RevC2 operates a cultivation facility in Fitchburg and all products will be pre-packaged there and there will be no packaging or repackaging of cannabis products at 541 Massachusetts Avenue. This location will be used only to purchase and transport cannabis or marijuana products from Cannabis or Marijuana Establishments and to sell or otherwise transfer these products to Cannabis or Marijuana Establishments and to consumers. This space is currently in the final phase of construction pursuant to previously issued building permits. There will be minimal changes from the approved construction plans; the changes are documented in the previously submitted Permit Drawings as revised by the attached Documents and

Plans submitted in connection with the instant application for Special Permit for Cannabis Retail Store. The Cannabis Retail Store will operate independently of the Registered Marijuana Dispensary, although it will be located within the same physical space, because the proposed operations will simply designate POS terminals for medical and non-medical purchases. There will also be an active retail dynamic, separate from the dispensary, that will be located on the prominent corner of Massachusetts Avenue and Norfolk Street. This active retail dynamic was created in response to community feedback, Planning Board suggestion and the comments made by the Central Square Advisory Committee.

The structure at 541 Massachusetts Avenue is concrete block exterior with wood framing construction typical of the day and age. Minor renovations have been made to the front façade in order to actively engage the streetscape with art and to separate the dispensary from the active retail dynamic located at the corner of Norfolk Street and Massachusetts Avenue. The interior of the building has undergone extensive remodeling to repurpose as a RMD and has been outfitted with a sophisticated security system that includes surveillance cameras, silent and audible alarms, motion detectors and real-time remote monitors that can be readily accessed by the Cambridge Police Department. Steel entry doors have been installed that are equipped with an electronic control access system and will be controlled by key card locks that create an audit trail. The exterior of the building will be monitored by surveillance cameras enabled to pan, tilt, and zoom, and with the ability to see during both day and night (without additional lighting). The perimeter of the facility will be amply lit, in compliance with the recommended standards of the Draft Outdoor Lighting Ordinance provided to the City Council by the City's Lighting Task Force, with warning and surveillance signs displayed. A secure storage vault room has been constructed and which will contain a GSA approved 13 cubic-foot, drill-resistant, steel-plated safe with keypad access that will be anchored to the floor. All security measures meet or exceed compliance with 105 CMR 725.110.

The building at 541 Massachusetts Avenue is serviced by on-street metered parking and Cambridge Municipal parking lot No. 5, which is located immediately adjacent to the rear of the building. Municipal parking lot No. 5 provides 82 automobile parking spaces and allows 2-hour parking for \$1.25 per hour between 8:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. There are four additional municipal parking lots within walking distance. In addition, this site is approximately 100 steps from the Central Square MBTA Red Line station, and there are 7 MBTA bus lines that connect in Central Square. There are also four Blue Bike Stations within a 5-minute walk of the site. In addition, RevC2 will provide 4 long-term bicycle parking spaces and contribute to the City Public Bike fund for 6 short-term parking spaces.

Customers will only gain access to the Cannabis Retail Store after providing a valid, government-issued photographic ID that is verified both electronically and manually. All customers will be initially greeted by a registered marijuana agent located in the security vestibule inside the main entrance, and after verification, customers will be into the dispensary where they will be greeted by a receptionist and provided an opportunity to consult in private with a RevC2 employee in the lounge area located in the south corner of the sales floor. Otherwise, customers will receive a brief orientation to the facility at the reception area immediately inside the dispensary. All RevC2 employees are trained to provide important information to all customers during this one-on-one interaction regarding the safe use of cannabis. A registered marijuana agent will then escort the customer to the display pedestals from which the customer will be able to make their selection. Products displayed will include cannabis flowers, concentrates and marijuana infused products. The customer's order will be placed on a handheld device by the registered marijuana agent, and then he/she will move to the fulfillment/point-of-sale area where payments will be processed and the product will be sealed in an opaque, tamper-resistant childproof exit bag. All exit bags will contain printed educational materials.

The customer will exit through the entrance at the security vestibule. Customers will be required to exit the facility as soon as their order has been filled, will not be allowed to loiter around the premises, and will be prohibited from ingesting any cannabis product on the premises. Any violations of state, local or CCC regulations will be reported immediately and RevC2 will respond appropriately to any potential nuisance.

RevC2 recognized the need to create a street façade that engages the sidewalk, encourages interaction, and which enhances the pedestrian corridor along Massachusetts Avenue, despite the restrictions regarding screening the interior activities from public view. Accordingly, RevC2 designed a separate storefront that will house an active retail dynamic located immediately

inside the clear glass windows on the corner of Norfolk Street and Massachusetts Avenue. Moreover, as pedestrians pass by the front entrance to the dispensary located on Massachusetts Avenue, they will be engaged by a display of local artwork that will be curated in connection with the celebrates the historical contributions of the minority community to Cambridge. This artwork will be displayed in a way to attract the attention of the pedestrian. The existing mural on the building's east wall has been preserved and there will be a mural painted on the rear facade of the building which faces Municipal Lot No. 5.

All of the alterations to the property are shown on the Plans attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

#### Security Systems Summary

As noted above, this building will be outfitted with state-of-the-art security systems. RevC2 has retained Lan-Tel Security Systems, one of the leading security consultants in the cannabis industry which has already developed and implemented security systems for the operational RevC2 RMD located at 110 Fawcett Street in Cambridge. Confidential security information will be submitted to the Cambridge Police Department for review and feedback. During all hours when the Cannabis Retail Store is open for business, there will be live on-site security agents who have been trained in crime prevention standards and will have experience in the surveillance of highly regulated retail operations. All security measures will meet or exceed compliance with 105 CMR 725.110. The interior and exterior of the building will be outfitted with approximately 20 (twenty) high definition IR surveillance cameras that are connected to a secure video VLAN. All cameras will be stored for a minimum of ninety days. Silent and audible alarms will be added as another security layer via Access Control and Intrusion. Real-time remote monitors for Access Control and CCTV will be available 24 hours a day. Steel entry doors will be equipped with an electronic control access system and will be controlled by electric and electrical mechanical locks that create an audit trail. Staff access within the facility will be monitored by a keycard program that provides staggered levels of access to staff members. Only essential staff will be granted access to secure points within the facility, such as the vault and fulfillment area. Limited Access areas will be identified by clearly visible signs. Only designated staff, law enforcement and CCC regulatory agents will be allowed access to those areas. The perimeter will be amply lit, in compliance with the recommended standards of the Draft Outdoor Lighting Ordinance provided to the City Council by the City's Lighting Task Force, and surveillance signs will be posted.

#### Law Enforcement and Public Safety Official Communication

RevC2 has contacted the Cambridge Police Department to discuss the development and implementation of its security systems. RevC2 will maintain direct communication and an open door policy with regards to all state and local law enforcement, public safety and public health agencies, including, but not limited to the CCC. This policy begins by notifying all such agencies of the presence of a Cannabis Retail Store, its security protocols and the intended operations. It continues by informing them of all on-going operations and educating them on various aspects of what the company does. This can include informing them about the products it handles, the purpose and locations of key functions in the facility, incident preparedness policies and procedures, emergency exits and assemblage locations, utility service shut off points, and emergency/post emergency contact information.

#### On-Site Security Personnel

Dispensary security operations will be overseen by dedicated security agents who will be present on-site at all times during business operations. The duties of these agents are multifaceted and include monitoring and surveillance of the facility entrance and exit, perimeter inspections, and working with RevC2 staff to prevent adverse incidents from occurring. The agents will be supported by a comprehensive electronic security system comprised of cameras, motion detectors, and duress alarms, as well as comprehensive emergency procedures and employee training. RevC2 will ensure that its security agents inform all customers that loitering is prohibited. All identified violations of state, local or CCC regulations will be immediately reported.

#### 24/7/365 Surveillance Cameras

A secured network of surveillance cameras will be strategically placed around the perimeter of the building and in every area

inside the building where customers will be and where regulated products are handled. This includes all entrance and exit traps, the secure waiting/education area, the display floor, the sales and fulfillment areas, the inventory safe area, all back-office entrances, exits and corridors, and the entire delivery packaging/loading/unloading area. The building will be outfitted with 20 (twenty) plus high definition IR surveillance cameras that are connected to a secure video VLAN. All cameras will be stored for a minimum of ninety days. Surveillance cameras are enabled to pan, tilt, and zoom, and ability to see during both day and night (without additional lighting). Real-time remote monitors for Access Control and CCTV will be available 24 hours a day.

#### Access Control System

An automated access control panel will control all access points in the facility. The system is strategically designed to enhance personal safety and prevent diversion and theft by limiting work area access to authorized personnel only and tracking activity throughout the facility. Only personnel that are essential to the operation of a given area will be allowed access to that area. All visitors must be logged in and out, and that log will be available for inspection by the CCC at all times. All visitor identification badges shall be returned to the security vestibule upon exit.

#### Alarm Systems

The facility will be equipped with two independent alarm systems on all perimeter entry points and perimeter windows. Two independent systems (access control/intrusion) will monitor the system 24 hours a day. The system provides redundant backup in the event that the primary system fails to function properly.

#### Inventory Tracking and Control System

A comprehensive inventory tracking and control system is essential to the security of the facility. It allows RevC2 to maintain awareness and control over where products are at any given stage in the distribution process. RevC2 LLC will utilize a fully integrated enterprise application software package that includes cultivation management, inventory management, cash management, and employee tracking, as well as a Point-of-Sale system. In addition to daily inventory tracking procedures, a monthly inventory count will be conducted by the entire Inventory Department to ensure absolute accuracy and accountability.

#### Employee Training

Staff will be hired on a 3-month probationary status. They will participate in rigorous training conducted at the RevC2 cultivation facility in Fitchburg, and will be evaluated for suitability in a restricted-access, highly regulated retail environment. Training includes the employee handbook, reading materials, lectures by professionals, hands-on training and quizzes. Legal training will cover all State & Federal laws relating to cannabis and marijuana infused products. Legal obligations of licensed cannabis establishments will be emphasized. Topics will include the CCC rules and regulations, sexual harassment, interaction with law enforcement, and the rights and responsibilities of registered marijuana agents. Legal training will include at least one two-hour session with an attorney.

Medical training will include disabled rights and sensitivity, how to identify and interact with any individual having a medical emergency, the proper uses and benefits of cannabis use and appropriate warnings.

Sales staff will be trained in safe cannabis use and will be instructed to guard against pushing retail sales. The focus will be on assisting customers in making appropriate decisions about how best to choose the type of cannabis that is right for them. Staff will be provided with ongoing training in product information as well as general service philosophy.

In addition to its focus on safety, security training will include acceptable currency identification, warning signs of possible diversion to the illegal market, lock and alarm procedures, perimeter and entrance control, robbery response techniques, conflict resolution techniques and diversion detection techniques.

#### Operations

RevC2 anticipates operating a Cannabis Retail Store between the hours of 9:00 AM –11:00 PM, subject to the approval of the Planning Board.

#### Careers

RevC2 anticipates hiring in excess of 25 employees for full-time positions. Employees will receive a salary, benefits, and substantial training. Because RevC2 recognizes its role as a leader in the legal cannabis marketplace, it will prioritize hiring Cambridge residents, minorities, women and other individuals that reside in areas of disproportionate impact. RevC2 will also offer employment to individuals with drug-related CORI but which are otherwise employable in a cannabis-related enterprise. As stated above, RevC2 will prioritize hiring local Cambridge residents with the aspirational goal of creating a 100% transit-oriented workforce.

#### Trash Management

Any trash containing cannabis or marijuana infused products is required to be stored securely on site within the facility vault. The products will be transported back to the cultivation facility from which they were purchased wholesale and where they may be safely destroyed. A minimal amount of business related waste will be generated from the facility and disposed of by commercial trash pickup.

#### Deliveries

Product deliveries will occur between two and three times each week in unmarked sprinter vans. There will be no advertising, markings, or branding indicating that the vehicle is being used to transport cannabis. Routes and times used for the transportation of cannabis and marijuana infused products are randomized. Cannabis and marijuana infused products will be transported in secure, locked storage compartments that are an after-market modification made to the transport vehicle so that the cannabis and marijuana infused products cannot be easily removed. At least two agents will staff vehicles transporting cannabis. One agent will remain in the vehicle at all times, and the other will be accompanied by a designated RevC2 staff member into the facility and within the vault where the inventory will take place. An armored car service will pick up cash as needed each week. At no time shall a transport vehicle stop or park on Massachusetts Avenue, or on any other public street, in a way that blocks emergency vehicle access or unreasonably impedes the flow of vehicle, pedestrian or bicycle travel. All loading and deliveries will occur on Norfolk Street. See the Logistics Plan PREPARED BY Howard Stein Hudson and attached hereto as Exhibit E, in response to 11.804 (e) for additional detail.

#### Payment Processing and Cash Handling

RevC2 maintains a business banking relationship with a well-known financial institution and will accept cash and debit cards. Like any such business, RevC2 will employ a sophisticated cash-handling procedure that will include comprehensive employee training, strict policies and procedures for how cash is counted, handled, recorded and stored. Cash collection will occur on a timely basis to ensure that no more cash than is necessary for the ordinary course of business is kept on site.

#### Traffic and Parking

RevC2 does not propose adding any off-street parking and seeks a small business exemption. Pursuant to Article 6.000, the minimum off-street parking for this use in the Business B (BB) district is 1 space per 1,800 square feet, or 4 spaces for this 6,025 square foot use at 541 Massachusetts Avenue. Per Article 6.000, 6.35.1, and Section 6.32.1, *Small Business*, parking and loading requirements shall be waived for any nonresidential use in a business district if such use would require four (4) or fewer spaces.

Nonetheless, despite the ready availability of existing off-street parking in Municipal lot No. 5, RevC2 has taken great care to develop operational procedures to ensure that customer visits are short in duration and will not result in queuing or other

congestion to enter or exit the facility. Operational procedures will be adjusted as needed to ensure optimal function of the facility. When possible, consultations will be scheduled during off-peak hours. If necessary, during the initial 6 months of operations, RevC2 will use an on-line pre-purchase and appointment only scheduling system.

Please see the enclosed Transportation Logistics Plan prepared by Howard Stein Hudson, attached hereto as Exhibit E.

Further, RevC2 has already agreed, in connection with Special Permit 339 to operate a RMD at 541 Massachusetts Avenue, to undertake the following proactive traffic mitigation efforts:

- Provide 100% MBTA T-Pass subsidies, up to the federal fringe benefit, to all employees, with a pro-rated incentive for any part-time employees;
- Provide lockers in the break room for employees that walk or bike to work;
- Compile and provide to all employees, including during employee orientation, up to date transportation information explaining all commuter options;
- Provide customers with information regarding transportation options to access the facility;
- Provide and maintain information on the Applicant's website and other distributed material on how to access the facility by all modes of transportation, with an emphasis on non-automobile modes;
- Participate in transportation-related training offered by the City of Cambridge or a local Transportation Management Association; or
- Designate a Transportation Coordinator to develop and manage the implementation of a Transportation Demand Management plan.

#### Personnel Policies

Clearly defined and reinforced personnel policies will contribute to a consistently safe, focused work environment, staffed by a competent team. Adherence to proper safety protocols and adequate oversight of information will be the foundation of all personnel policies. RevC2 is dedicated to competitive pay structures, opportunities for advancement, and merit-based bonuses, and will provide employees with a highly competitive benefits package. RevC2 will not discriminate against current or potential employees based on race, color, religious creed, national origin, sex, gender identity, sexual orientation, genetic information, or ancestry of any individual, refuse to hire or employ or to bar or to discharge from employment such individual or to discriminate against such individual in compensation or in terms, conditions or privileges of employment, unless based upon a bona fide occupational qualification.

#### Customer Education

Education is a top priority for RevC2 and will be a central theme evident throughout its Cannabis Retail Store. Educational support will be provided on a one-to-one basis beginning with the first customer visit with the goal of establishing a long-term relationship. RevC2 employees will be trained to listen attentively and provide auditory and visual educational instructions. All customers will be given printed as well as online information including scientific research related to cannabis use, how to promote an overall healthy lifestyle, the safest and most effective means of ingesting cannabis, and booklets and materials on a number of conditions, ailments, cannabis strains and products, and effects when ingested.

All customers will be instructed during the initial intake that RevC2 emphasizes respect for the surrounding neighborhood. RevC2 will provide online access and print booklets to a family of appropriate materials including; Research on Cannabis, History of Cannabis as Medicine, Comparison of Medications - Efficacy and Side-Effects, Chronic Pain and Medical Marijuana, Multiple Sclerosis and Medical Cannabis, Cancer and Medical Marijuana, HIV/AIDS and Medical Marijuana, ASA Newsletters, Talking to Your Doctor, Cannabis Safety, Guide to Using Medical Cannabis, Recipes for Non-Inhalation Delivery Methods, and a How to

Access Local Support Groups. RevC2 will also provide information and resource materials about substance abuse and marijuana addiction from national health organizations. Website and booklets will be available in English and Spanish, with more languages to follow.

Distribution of Educational Materials will be as follows:

First Visit: Customers visiting the Retail Cannabis Store for the first time will go through an intake process where they receive a primer on regulations surrounding cannabis; how to safely consume, store, and transport their product; and information regarding strains, dosage, and desired effects. All customers will be instructed that respect for the surrounding neighborhood is paramount and that public consumption, diversion, queuing, loitering, and other nuisance behaviors are not tolerated and practicing them will result in an immediate ban from all RevC2 facilities.

Visual Materials: RevC2 will display a variety of educational materials. Flyers, pamphlets, and other materials will be available in the waiting/education area as well as throughout the sales floor. There will also be signage proximate to point-of-sale terminals reminding customers about the consequences of product diversion.

Auditory Reminders: RevC2 employees will receive ample training about effective educational tools that can be used during transactions. Employees will educate customers at the point of sale about how to safely store, consume, and transport their product in a friendly, approachable manner.

Takeaway Material: Product safety guides and general informational material will be placed in each and every bag to ensure customers have access to safety materials when they intend to utilize the product. RevC2 intends to work with the Cambridge DPH to develop these materials.

(b) Context Map: A map identifying, at a minimum, the location of the proposed establishment, the locations of all other Cannabis Uses in the vicinity, the locations of all public or private schools providing education in kindergarten or any grades one through 12, and the locations of all children's playgrounds, youth athletic fields, or other youth recreation facilities, with measured distances provided to demonstrate whether the location complies with the standards of Section 11.803 above.

Please see enclosed Context Map prepared by Howard Stein Hudson, and attached hereto as Exhibit B. The Context Map identifies both a 300 foot and 1,800 foot buffer zone around 541 Massachusetts Avenue.

The site is located more than 300 feet distant of the Henry Buckner School, a private facility that provides early childhood learning and care to approximately 70 infants, toddlers, pre-school, kindergarten and first grade children. There are no other public or private schools providing education in kindergarten or any grades one through 12, nor are there any children's playgrounds, youth athletic fields, or other youth recreation facilities, within 300 feet of the property.

Also, as clearly stated above, RevC2 has previously been granted a special permit from the Planning Board to operate a Registered Marijuana Dispensary at 541 Massachusetts Avenue. See Special Permit Case no. 339. The premises are presently in the final stage of construction. Upon information and belief, there are other applicants contemplating entry to the Central Square Business District that have been certified as Economic Empowerment Applicants by the CCC. Those EE applicants are therefore exempt from the 1800 foot buffer between Cannabis Retail Stores per 11.803.1 (b), and one or more may be in the planning stages of seeking local approval to operate cannabis establishments within the Central Square Business District.

(c) Site Plan: A plan or plans depicting all existing and proposed development on the property, including the dimensions of the building, the detailed layout of automobile and bicycle parking, the location of pedestrian, bicycle and vehicular points of access and egress, the location and design of all loading, refuse and service facilities, the location, type and direction of all outdoor lighting on the site, and any landscape design.

Please see the enclosed Site Plan prepared by Howard Stein Hudson, attached hereto as Exhibit C.

(d) Building Elevations and Signage: Architectural drawings of all exterior building facades and all proposed signage, specifying materials and colors to be used. Perspective drawings and illustrations of the site from public ways and

#### abutting properties are recommended but not required.

Please see the enclosed building renderings and signage prepared by Elton + Hampton Architects, attached hereto as Exhibit D.

(e) Logistics Plan: A plan identifying the on-site or off-site locations where deliveries and loading functions will take place and a narrative describing how deliveries to the site, loading and other service functions will be conducted, as well as a plan and narrative identifying the transportation options for customers and employees, including public transportation services, on-site and off-site parking facilities, and bicycle facilities.

Please see enclosed Transportation Logistics Plan prepared by Howard Stein Hudson, attached hereto as Exhibit E.

(f) License or Registration Materials: Copies of all materials submitted to applicable state and local agencies for the purpose of licensing and/or registration, and any certification or license issued by any such agency, excluding any information required by law to be kept confidential.

Please see the enclosed documentation submitted to the Cannabis Control Commission, attached hereto as Exhibit F.

(g) Host Community Agreement: A narrative describing progress that has been made at the time of application toward establishing a host community agreement with the City of Cambridge.

RevC2 has initiated communications with the Office of the City Manager to determine the time frame for negotiation of the terms of a Community Host Agreement.

#### Requested Special Permit Relief per 11.803.1

This site of the proposed Cannabis Retail Store at 541 Massachusetts Avenue is located within the Business B (BB) zoning district, and pursuant to Section 11.803.1 (a), this use is permitted by the grant of special permit from the Planning Board. Moreover, the 1,800 foot buffer zone contained in 11.803.1 (b) does not apply to this proposal because RevC2 has already been granted a Special Permit to operate an RMD at this location. Please see Notice of Decision, Planning Board Case No. 339, filed January 11, 2019. All products offered to consumers will be pre-packaged off-site in childproof, tamper resistant packaging. There will be no packaging or re-packaging of cannabis or marijuana products within the proposed RevC2 facility, as all of the manufacturing, packaging and processing of products occurs in the Fitchburg cultivation facility.

#### Requested Special Permit Relief per 11.805

Special Permit Criteria. In granting a special permit for a Cannabis Retail Store or Cannabis Production Facility, in addition to the general criteria for issuance of a special permit as set forth in Section 10.43 of this Zoning Ordinance, the Planning Board shall find that the following criteria are met:

(a) The site is designed such that it provides convenient, safe and secure access and egress for customers and employees arriving to and leaving from the site using all modes of transportation, including drivers, pedestrians, bicyclists and public transportation users.

RevC2 does not propose adding any off-street parking and seeks a small business exemption. Pursuant to Article 6.000, the minimum off-street parking for this use in the Business B (BB) district is 1 space per 1,800 square feet, or 4 spaces for this use at 541 Massachusetts Avenue. Per Article 6.000, Section 6.32.1, *Small Business*, parking and loading requirements shall be waived

for any nonresidential use in a business district if such use would require four (4) or fewer spaces. RevC2 is creating an additional 4 long-term bicycle parking spaces and has committed to contribute to the City Public Bike fund for 6 short-term bicycle parking spaces.

Nonetheless, despite the availability of existing off-street parking in Municipal lot No. 5, RevC2 has taken great care to develop operational procedures to ensure that customer visits within the proposed Cannabis Retail Store are short in duration and will not result in lines or other congestion to enter or exit the facility. Operational procedures will be adjusted as needed to ensure optimal function of the facility. When possible, consultations will be scheduled during off-peak hours. If necessary, RevC2 will use an on-line appointment scheduling system.

Please see the enclosed Traffic Impact Statement prepared by Howard Stein Hudson, attached hereto as Exhibit E.

Further, RevC2 has previously agreed to, in connection with Special Permit 339 at this location, undertake the following proactive traffic mitigation efforts:

- Provide 100% MBTA T-Pass subsidies, up to the federal fringe benefit, to all employees, with a pro-rated incentive for any part-time employees;
- Provide lockers in the break room for employees that walk or bike to work;
- Compile and provide to all employees, including during employee orientation, up to date transportation information explaining all commuter options;
- Provide customers with information regarding transportation options to access the facility;
- Provide and maintain information on the Applicant's website and other distributed material on how to access the facility by all modes of transportation, with an emphasis on non-automobile modes;
- Participate in transportation-related training offered by the City of Cambridge or a local Transportation Management Association; or
- Designate a Transportation Coordinator to develop and manage the implementation of a Transportation Demand Management plan.

# (b) On-site loading, refuse and service areas are designed to be secure and shielded from abutting uses.

The on-site loading, refuse and service area are located in a shared parking area adjacent to the rear of the property. Deliveries will occur at Municipal lot no. 5 in the shared loading parking spaces at randomized times and will consist of a single sprinter van arriving in the rear parking lot. The sprinter van will park in the designated loading zone and remain there for approximately 15 minutes. The product will be physically carried into the store in a non-descript plastic bin through the side entrance located on Norfolk Street. While the product is carried from the sprinter van to the store, the driver will remain in the van. The registered marijuana agent that hand-delivers the product to the on-site manager of the RevC2 facility is responsible for executing the manifold, participating in the inventory and communicating with the cultivation center that the delivery has been completed. Other than parking in the designated loading zone and walking into the rear entrance, all loading activity occurs within the facility itself.

The refuse and service area are also located in parking lot at the rear of the building. This area is used by several of the neighboring businesses, is decrepit and has presented an on-going challenge to the City and the community. RevC2 has committed to participate in the funding of a mural to be painted on the rear façade of the building. As stated above, all marijuana or marijuana infused products that are waste must be stored on-site and returned to the cultivation center for proper disposal. The refuse produced by this use is very minor.

(c) The building and site have been designed to be compatible with other buildings in the area and to mitigate any negative aesthetic impacts that might result from required security measures and restrictions on visibility into the building's interior.

The building construction and proposed use are consistent with the Urban Design Objectives outlined in the K2C2 Study and set forth in Section 19.30. RevC2 has invested considerable time and resources to design a dispensary that incorporates public comment, suggestions from the Planning Board and CDD staff and the input from the Central Square Advisory Committee. RevC2 believes that this facility will complement and improve the aesthetics of the surrounding neighborhood. The design will shield from the public view the entirety of the sales area and regulated material, while also engaging the community with an active retail dynamic and art displays that will be visible through the existing clear glass windows on the front facade. The proposed lighting and security measures will be sensitively placed, in compliance with the recommended standards of the Draft Outdoor Lighting Ordinance provided to the City Council by the City's Lighting Task Force, to provide a safe yet unobtrusive means of surveillance for the appropriate and most sensitive portions of the building and building sites. In addition, the design and use of the proposed facility will be consistent with and maintain the form and character desirable for the Central Square neighborhood.

(d) In retail areas, the location and design of the Cannabis Use will not detract from the sense of activity with opaque, unwelcoming façades at the ground floor. Where interior activities must be screened from public view, such areas should be screened by transparent, publicly accessible active business uses where possible. Opaque façades should be minimized, and where they are necessary they should include changing public art displays or other measures to provide visual interest to the public.

RevC2 is pleased that the language contained in 11.805 (d) seems to have been developed, in part, due to the exhaustive design process and collaborative effort demonstrated by RevC2 and the City of Cambridge in connection with its application for a Special Permit for a RMD at 541 Massachusetts Avenue.

RevC2 has created a street façade that engages the sidewalk, street and pedestrian corridor despite the CCC restrictions on visibility into the interior. The active retail dynamic at the prominent corner of Norfolk and Massachusetts Avenue as well as the rotating display of local artwork at the front façade of the building will provide ongoing opportunities for street activation. The retail area, where cannabis products are displayed, will be located behind the artwork displayed on the dividing security wall. The proposed alterations to the property are shown on the Plans attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

(e) If the proposed Cannabis Retail Store or Cannabis Production Facility is not proposed to include a Medical Marijuana Treatment Center, it will nevertheless provide programs to assist qualifying patients within the city or neighborhood who are registered through the Massachusetts Medical Use of Marijuana Program in obtaining services under that program.

RevC2 will absolutely maintain its status as a RMD and will absolutely remain an operational medical marijuana treatment center while also providing whatever assistance that it may lawfully provide to assist qualifying patients in Cambridge to access services through the Medical Use of Marijuana Program.

Requested Special Permit Relief per 10.43

Pursuant to section 10.43 of the Cambridge Zoning Ordinance, special permits will normally be granted where provisions of this ordinance are met, except when particulars of the location or use, not generally true of the district or of the uses permitted in it, would cause granting of such permit to be to the detriment of the public good because:

• It appears that requirement of this Ordinance cannot or will not be met.

With the requested Special Permit, the Project will meet all requirements of the Ordinance.

 Traffic generated and or patterns of access or egress would cause congestion, hazard, or substantial change in established neighborhood character.

RevC2respectfully submits that its proposed use of this property will not disturb the existing right of way, pedestrian access, and will not cause a serious hazard to vehicle or pedestrian traffic. Traffic generated and patterns of access or egress will not cause congestion, hazard, or substantial change in the established neighborhood character. Central Square is a vibrant, bustling neighborhood that has historically been the center of Cambridge's cultural, commercial and social services industry. Although the neighborhood has been the site of some recent redevelopment, the RevC2 proposed Cannabis Retail Store will be designed, constructed and operated to be consistent with both the established and emerging character of the neighborhood. The entire retail space will occupy 6,025 square feet, with a portion of that dedicated to an active retail dynamic and the display of artwork. The education/intake area will allow customers to enter the facility and will prevent any loitering outside the facility (which will be strongly discouraged). After valid government issued photographic identification is produced and verified, customers will pass through a secure door into the education/intake area that leads to the retail floor. Patrons will be fully inside the facility while being educated about the RevC2 product line before they enter the sales area where transactions take place. Educational and instructional materials will be available and disseminated along with information about restrictions on public consumption, dosage, abuse and resources for help.

Additionally, this site is approximately a 1-minute walk from the Central Square MBTA Red Line Station, there are 7 MBTA bus lines that connect in Central Square and there are four Blue Bike Stations within a 5-minute walk. Although RevC2 expects that most customers will walk or use other non-automobile modes of transport, Massachusetts Avenue provides on-street metered parking and Cambridge Municipal parking lot No. 5, which is adjacent to the rear of the building, has 82 spaces and allows 2-hour parking for \$1.25 per hour between 8:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. There are also four additional municipal parking lots within walking distance. This is a highly transit-oriented site. For additional information regarding transportation impacts, see the Traffic Impact Statement prepared by Howard Stein Hudson, and attached hereto as Exhibit E.

• The continued operation of or the development of adjacent uses as permitted in the Zoning Ordinance would be adversely affected by the nature of the proposed use, or

The proposed use is retail only, with an emphasis on customer education. RevC2 is a locally-owned cannabis company that has been fully vetted by the City of Cambridge, DPH and CCC. RevC2 operates a RMD at 110 Fawcett Street in Cambridge and has experienced no negative or adverse impact on neighboring uses. RevC2 is committed to setting the standard for operational excellence within the entire cannabis industry. Accordingly, there are no applicable adjacent uses that will be developed or adversely affect the nature of the proposed use. There will be no packaging, repackaging, cultivation or processing activities of any type occurring at this site.

Nuisance or hazard would be created to the detriment of the health, safety and/or welfare of the
occupant of the proposed use or the citizens of the city, or

No nuisance or hazard will be created that will affect the health, safety, or welfare of the occupant of the proposed use or the citizens of the City of Cambridge. In November of 2016, nearly 80% of Cambridge voters approved Question 4, the ballot initiative to legalize the adult use of marijuana. In July of 2017, Chapter 55 of the Acts of 2017, An Act to Ensure Safe Access to Marijuana, was adopted. That act allows existing priority RMDs, pursuant to Section 3(a) (1) (i) of MGL Chapter 94G, as amended by Section 23 of Chapter 55 of the Acts of 2017, to co-locate an adult use dispensary within the same physical facility. The statute states in pertinent part, that local zoning ordinances or by-laws shall not;

"prevent the conversion of a medical marijuana treatment center licensed or registered not later than July 1, 2017, engaged in the cultivation, manufacture or sale of marijuana or marijuana products to a marijuana establishment engaged in the same type of activity."

Moreover, since Cambridge first adopted its zoning in 2013, a vast majority of all city officials, department heads, community activists and elected officials have devoted an extraordinary amount of time, effort, and thought to developing standards to

apply to this emerging industry in Cambridge.

• For other reasons, the proposed use would not impair the Integrity of the district or adjoining District, or otherwise derogate from the intent and purpose of this Ordinance, and;

The proposed RevC2 Cannabis Retail Store will not impair the integrity of the District or the adjoining District because it is located within the designated zoning area, Business B (BB), and its use will not be apparent to the public way. Additionally, the design plan allows for patrons to quickly and safely enter the facility and remain in an intake/educational area until they are assisted by a registered marijuana agent. Because the exterior windows will remain clear glass, and because an active retail dynamic will occupy the corner of Norfolk Street and Massachusetts Avenue, the facility will enhance the pedestrian corridor along Massachusetts Avenue by offering a dynamic interaction with the streetscape in Central Square. Finally, the overall security plan provides a proven approach to safe and efficient entry and egress and establishes significant deterrent measures to prevent any noticeable nuisances associated with this emerging industry from occurring.

• The new use or building construction is inconsistent with the Urban Design Objectives set forth in Section 19.30

The building construction and proposed use are consistent with the Urban Design Objectives outlined in the K2C2 Study and set forth in Section 19.30. RevC2 has invested considerable time and resources to design a Cannabis Retail Store with design elements that will fit seamlessly with the culture of Cambridge. RevC2 believes that this facility will complement and improve the aesthetics of the surrounding neighborhood. The design will shield from the public view the entirety of the sales area and regulated material, while also engaging the community with art displays that will be visible through the existing clear glass windows on the front facade. The exterior façade will be gently renovated, with particular attention paid to restoring the historical integrity of the building. The proposed lighting and security measures will be sensitively placed, in compliance with the recommended standards of the Draft Outdoor Lighting Ordinance provided to the City Council by the City's Lighting Task Force, to provide a safe yet unobtrusive means of surveillance for the appropriate and most sensitive portions of the building and building sites. In addition, the design and use of the proposed facility will be consistent with and maintain the form and character desirable for the Central Square neighborhood.





# PLANNING BOARD

CITY HALL ANNEX, 344 BROADWAY, CAMBRIDGE, MA 02139 OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK CAMBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS

#### NOTICE OF DECISION

| Case Number                             | r: ·  | 339   |  |
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| Address:                                |   | 541 Massachusetts Avenue  |  |
| Zoning:                                 |   | Business B District / Central Square Overlay District                       |  |
| Applicant:                              |   | Revolutionary Clinics II, Inc.<br>9 Bartlet Street, #335, Andover, MA 01810 |  |
| Owner:                                  | :   | 545-565 Mass Ave, LLC<br>585 Massachusetts Avenue, Cambridge, MA 02139      |  |
| Application Date:                       |   | September 20, 2018  |  |
| Date of Planning Board Public Hearing:  |   | October 16, 2018; December 18, 2018   |  |
| Date of Planning Board Decision:        |   | December 18, 2018   |  |
| Date of Filing Planning Board Decision: |   | January 11, 2019  |  |
| Application:                            | Request for special permits for Revolutionary Clinics II, Inc. to operate a registered marijuana dispensary pursuant to Sections 11.800 and 10.43 of the Zoning Ordinance occupying approximately 6,025 square feet in the existing building at 541 Massachusetts Avenue. |   |  |
| Decision:                               | GRANTED, with Conditions.   |   |  |

Appeals, if any, shall be made pursuant to Section 17 of Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 40A, and shall be filed within twenty (20) days after filing of the above referenced decision with the City Clerk. Copies of the complete decision and final plans, if applicable, are on file with the Community Development Department and the City Clerk.

Authorized Representative of the Planning Board: Swaathi Joseph

For further information concerning this decision, please contact Liza Paden at 617-349-4647, or lpaden@cambridgema.gov.

#### **DOCUMENTS SUBMITTED**

#### Application Documents and Supporting Material

- 1. Special Permit Application submitted on 9/20/18, including, *inter alia*, Application Forms, Project Narrative, Description of Activities, Service Area, Transportation Analysis, Community Outreach Summary, Dimensional Form, and plan sets prepared by Elton + Hampton Architects, dated 7/25/18, including Context Map, Proximity Uses Map, Site Plan, Building Elevations, Renderings, and Floor Plans.
- 2. Revised plan sets prepared by Elton + Hampton Architects, dated 9/24/18.
- 3. Presentation slides shown to Planning Board on 10/16/18.
- 4. A letter dated 11/13/18 from Timothy R. Flaherty documenting responses to comments from the Planning Board.
- 5. Updated plan set dated 9/7/18 and revised through 11/6/18, prepared by Elton + Hampton Architects.
- 6. Presentation slides shown to Planning Board on 12/18/18.

#### City of Cambridge Documents

- 7. Report issued by Central Square Advisory Committee, dated 10/1/18.
- 8. Memorandum from CDD staff dated 10/10/18.
- 9. Memorandum from Joseph E. Barr, Director of Traffic, Parking and Transportation, dated 10/12/18.
- 10. Memorandum from CDD staff dated 12/10/18.

#### Other Documents

- 11. Email communication from Phillip Sego, dated 10/13/18.
- 12. Email communication from Charles Franklin, dated 10/14/18
- 13. Letter from Ellis I. Washington, St. Paul AME Church, dated 10/16/18.
- 14. Letter from Michael Monestime, Executive Director, Central Square Business Association, dated 12/18/18.

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#### APPLICATION SUMMARY

The Applicant, Revolutionary Clinic II, Inc., having received a provisional certificate of registration from Massachusetts Department of Public Health, is proposing to operate a registered marijuana dispensary (RMD) at 541 Massachusetts Avenue, in Central Square, for retail sales. No cultivation or processing will occur on site. Products will be cultivated, processed, and packaged at a facility located in Fitchburg, Massachusetts. The Applicant proposes to establish the retail RMD in a portion of the existing building. The proposal includes the renovation of the existing building, approximately 6,025 square feet in area including a separate wellness retail space at the corner facing Massachusetts Avenue and Norfolk Street that will activate the street frontage. The 541 Massachusetts Avenue facility will only dispense cannabis products that are cultivated and processed at the Applicant's Fitchburg facility. The proposed facility will be designed and operated in accordance with state and local regulations for RMDs and will be subject to oversight by the Massachusetts Department of Public Health. The project does not propose adding any off-street parking, but will provide 4 long-term bicycle parking spaces and contribute to the City Public Bike fund for 6 short-term parking spaces. Loading and deliveries are proposed to be provided by secure vehicles on Norfolk Street.

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#### **FINDINGS**

After review of the Application Documents and other documents submitted to the Planning Board, testimony given at the public hearing, and review and consideration of the applicable requirements and criteria set forth in the Zoning Ordinance with regard to the relief being sought, the Planning Board makes the following Findings:

#### 1. Approval of a Registered Marijuana Dispensary (RMD, Section 11.800)

The proposed site is located within the Business B District (BB). The Planning Board may grant a special permit approving an RMD within this district upon finding that the proposal meets the criteria set forth in Section 11.804. The Board finds that these criteria are met, for the reasons set forth below.

11.804 Special Permit Criteria. In granting a special permit for a Registered Marijuana Dispensary, in addition to the general criteria for issuance of a special permit as set forth in Section 10.43 of this Ordinance, the Planning Board shall find that the following criteria are met:

(a) The Registered Marijuana Dispensary is located to serve an area that currently does not have reasonable access to medical marijuana, or if it is proposed to serve an area that is already served by other Registered Marijuana Dispensaries, it has been established by the Massachusetts Department of Public Health that supplemental service is needed.

There are currently four RMDs that have received special permits in Cambridge, three of which are in operation. The Massachusetts Department of Public Health has continued to permit additional dispensaries given that only a small number have been established thus far. The four other RMDs that have received special permits in Cambridge are in other areas of the city, all more than 1,800 feet from 541 Massachusetts Avenue, satisfying the distance requirement of Section 11.802.8.

(b) The site is located at least five hundred (500) feet distant from a school, daycare center, preschool or afterschool facility or any facility in which children commonly congregate, or if not located at such a distance, it is determined by the Planning Board to be sufficiently buffered from such facilities such that its users will not be adversely impacted by the operation of the Registered Marijuana Dispensary.

The Application Documents indicate the Henry Bucker School is located within a 500-foot distance of the site. The Board finds that the proposed RMD is sufficiently buffered and will not adversely impact the school use. This finding is based on the facts that the proposed RMD is not located on Bishop Allen Drive on which the school is located and separated by parking lots and buildings. The Board also found that the dance, music and sports facilities referenced at the hearing were either not the types of facilities encompassed by this section or were sufficiently distant and buffered from the proposed RMD.

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(c) The site is designed such that it provides convenient, safe and secure access and egress for clients and employees arriving to and leaving from the site using all modes of transportation, including drivers, pedestrians, bicyclists and public transportation users.

Primary access to the facility is proposed on Massachusetts Avenue, where there is convenient access to sidewalks and various modes of public transportation. There is on-street parking, public parking lots, and bicycle parking spaces in the immediate vicinity in addition to multiple bus stops and Central Square MBTA Red Line station. The customer entry and exit are proposed through a recessed entrance on Massachusetts Avenue. The deliveries will use the Norfolk Street entrance and vehicles will use public parking or loading areas located in the vicinity. All access doors will be monitored for security purposes as required by state regulations.

(d) Traffic generated by client trips, employee trips, and deliveries to and from the Registered Marijuana Dispensary shall not create a substantial adverse impact on nearby residential uses.

A transportation analysis prepared by Howard Stein Hudson has been provided with the Application, and has been reviewed by the Traffic, Parking and Transportation Department (TP&T). While there is limited data about traffic generated by an RMD, given the anticipated client base and experience with RMDs elsewhere in Massachusetts the expectation is that the traffic will not be significantly greater than that of a typical retail establishment of similar size and should have minimal impacts on transportation in the Central Square vicinity. The proposed RMD is located in a predominantly commercial district that supports retail establishments of this scale. The Applicant has committed to submitting a loading and service delivery management plan for approval by TP&T staff and to implementing both transportation demand management (TDM) measures and a monitoring program of employee and customer visits as well as loading and pick-up activities of this project to mitigate any unexpected transportation impacts.

(e) Loading, refuse and service areas are designed to be secure and shielded from abutting uses.

Loading and delivery operations specific to the RMD are anticipated to occur approximately three times per week. An interior service area is provided for holding materials after they are delivered and refuse before it is picked up. Loading is proposed to occur using the Norfolk Street entrance as noted in the Traffic Impact Statement prepared by Howard Stein Hudson in accordance with state regulations. All regulated material waste will be transported back to the Fitchburg facility for approved disposal. All other trash will be disposed as per city regulations.

(f) The building and site have been designed to be compatible with other buildings in the area and to mitigate any negative aesthetic impacts that might result from required security measures and restrictions on visibility into the building's interior.

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The Central Square Advisory Committee has reviewed this project and issued a report in support. The original proposal was changed in response to the comments from the Planning Board to include a separate retail space at the corner of Massachusetts Avenue and Norfolk Street. The exterior changes to the building proposed are meant to activate the streetscape, especially the active storefront presence on Massachusetts Avenue. The sales area and regulated material handling area are not visible from the streetscape on Massachusetts Avenue. The installation of signage and security lighting will be in conformance with local requirements for signage and lighting as well as state regulations specific to RMDs.

### 2. Approval of Parking, Bicycle Parking and Loading Requirements for an RMD

In approving an RMD, the Planning Board is responsible for determining the required amount of parking, bicycle parking, and loading in accordance with Section 11.802.6 of the Zoning Ordinance, as set forth below.

11.802.6 Parking and Loading. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in Article 6.000 of this Ordinance, the required number of parking and bicycle parking (both long-term and short-term) spaces and the required number of loading bays for a Registered Marijuana Dispensary shall be determined by the Planning Board based on the transportation analysis and other information related to operational and security plans provided by the applicant. Except as set forth above, all parking, bicycle parking and loading facilities shall conform to the requirements set forth in Article 6.000.

The Application proposes no automobile parking on-site and indicates that necessary loading and service activities will occur on Norfolk Street using secure vehicles. The Applicant proposes that clients and staff will walk, drive, bike or use public transportation in order to get to the RMD; and that bicyclists will use public bicycle racks in the vicinity and that drivers will use either existing metered parking or public parking facilities near the facility in Central Square. Four long-term bicycle parking spaces are proposed within the building for the employees.

The transportation analysis provided by the Applicant and comments provided by TP&T indicate that the proposed use will likely generate only modest parking demand compared to a retail use of a similar scale, and that the loading needs of the facility can be reasonably accommodated. Therefore, the Board finds that the proposed parking and loading arrangements for the RMD will be sufficient, subject to the additional TDM and monitoring measures recommended by TP&T and agreed to by the Applicant.

For bicycle parking, the Board accepts the recommendation of TP&T that since space is limited at the site, a contribution be made to the City's Bicycle Parking Fund for six bicycle parking spaces (or three bicycle racks), as would be required for a retail establishment similar to the proposed size of the RMD.

Details of the automobile parking, bicycle parking, loading and TDM requirements are set forth in the Conditions of this Special Permit Decision.

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3. General Criteria for Issuance of a Special Permit (10.43) and (20.305)

The Planning Board finds that the proposal meets the General Criteria for Issuance of a Special Permit, as set forth below.

10.43 Criteria. Special permits will normally be granted where specific provisions of this Ordinance are met, except when particulars of the location or use, not generally true of the district or of the uses permitted in it, would cause granting of such permit to be to the detriment of the public interest because:

- (a) It appears that requirements of this Ordinance cannot or will not be met, or ...
  - With the requested special permit, the requirements of the Ordinance will be met.
- (b) traffic generated or patterns of access or egress would cause congestion, hazard, or substantial change in established neighborhood character, or ...
  - As set forth above in these findings, the proposed use is not expected to adversely impact traffic patterns or the retail-oriented character of the area in general.
- (c) the continued operation of or the development of adjacent uses as permitted in the Zoning Ordinance would be adversely affected by the nature of the proposed use, or ...
  - The proposed RMD will be operated in accordance with applicable state and local regulations, and will generate pedestrian and vehicular traffic equal to, or less than, that generated by a similarly sized allowed retail use. Therefore, the RMD use and location will not adversely impact adjacent uses.
- (d) nuisance or hazard would be created to the detriment of the health, safety and/or welfare of the occupant of the proposed use or the citizens of the City, or ...
  - The proposed RMD will be operated in accordance with applicable health and safety regulations, as well as state and local regulations particular to RMDs, which are specifically intended to prevent nuisance or hazard.
- (e) for other reasons, the proposed use would impair the integrity of the district or adjoining district, or otherwise derogate from the intent and purpose of this Ordinance, and ...
  - The site is located within Business B District, which allows RMDs, as was recently authorized in a zoning amendment adopted by the City Council in 2017.
- (f) the new use or building construction is inconsistent with the Urban Design Objectives set forth in Section 19.30.

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The proposed new use will minimally impact the design of the building, and all exterior alterations will be conducted in accordance with applicable zoning and other regulations for RMDs. The proposal includes a retail space at the corner of Massachusetts Avenue and Norfolk Street to activate street frontage as recommended by the goals and objectives of Central Square Action Plan.

20.305 Standards for Issuance of Special Permits. In addition to the general standards for the issuance of a special permit found in Section 10.40 of the Zoning Ordinance, the special permit granting authority shall in addition make the following findings:

- (1) The proposed development is consistent with the goals and objectives of the Central Square Action Plan:
  - encourage responsible and orderly development;
  - strengthen the retail base to more completely serve the needs of the neighborhoods;
  - preserve the Square's cultural diversity;
  - create active people oriented spaces;
  - improve the physical, and visual environment;
  - provide retail establishments that serve people of diverse economic and social groups who live in the surrounding neighborhoods;
  - encourage the development of new mixed income housing; and
  - promote compatible retail adjacent to residential uses

The Board finds the proposed uses to be consistent with these goals and objectives. The new retail use at the corner will help to strengthen the retail base by attracting additional foot traffic, while sufficiently screening the RMD activities from the streetscape. The project will not alter the physical features of the building design, provide a unique service to patrons and will be compatible with adjacent uses.

(2) The building and site designs are consistent with "Urban Design Plan for Central Square" as outlined in the "Central Square Action Plan" and the "Central Square Development Guidelines";

Moderate changes proposed for the exterior of the building including installation of wall signage, window treatments with art displays, and murals are consistent with design guidelines for Central Square. The retail use at the corner maintaining a high degree of visual transparency for the façade immediately adjacent to the sidewalk is consistent with the urban design objectives for Central Square.

(3) The building and site designs adequately screen the parking provided and are sensitive to the contributing buildings in the vicinity;

No parking is proposed.

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- (4) No National Register or contributing building is demolished or so altered as to terminate or preclude its designation as a National Register or contributing building; and
- (5) No National Register or contributing building has been demolished or altered so as to terminate or preclude its designation within the five (5) years preceding the application.

The existing building is not listed in the National Register of Historic Places. The property is within the Central Square National Register District but the existing structure is not deemed a "contributing building".

In addition, exterior alterations will be subject to ongoing review by Community Development Department (CDD) staff, where applicable. Therefore, the Board finds no inconsistency with applicable urban design objectives.

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#### **DECISION**

Based on a review of the Application Documents, testimony given at the public hearings, and the above Findings, the Planning Board hereby GRANTS the requested Special Permits, subject to the following conditions and limitations.

- 1. This special permit shall authorize only Revolutionary Clinics II, Inc. (Permittee) to establish and operate a Registered Marijuana Dispensary (RMD) at 541 Massachusetts Avenue, Cambridge, in substantial conformance with the Application Documents and supplemental documents and information submitted by the Applicant to the Planning Board as referenced above. No other type of marijuana establishment is hereby permitted. Any activity that involves the cultivation, processing, manufacturing, packaging, storage, transportation, sale, or use of marijuana products for non-medical purposes shall require an amendment to this special permit, and shall require compliance with all applicable state and local regulations for such activity.
- 2. This special permit is not transferrable to any other RMD seeking to operate at 541 Massachusetts Avenue, and shall not apply to any RMD operated by Revolutionary Clinics II, Inc. at any other location within the City of Cambridge.
- 3. This special permit is conditioned upon ongoing registration of the approved RMD with the Massachusetts Department of Public Health or its successor agency, and shall terminate if such registration is terminated or fails to be renewed.
- 4. The approved RMD shall be operated in accordance with all applicable state and local regulations, including but not limited to regulations set forth by the Massachusetts Department of Public Health or its successor agency, as well as any additional regulations promulgated by local agencies.
- 5. A ground-floor active retail space, separate from the approved RMD, shall be created at the corner of Massachusetts Avenue and Norfolk Street in accordance with the revised Application Documents with revision date November 6, 2018, and presentation to the Planning Board on December 18, 2018. Such active retail space shall be occupied by retail and consumer service uses permitted in the district as set forth in Section 4.35 of the Zoning. Ordinance, but not for sales of marijuana products or accessories, during the time that the approved RMD is in operation.
- 6. Alterations to the building shall occur in substantial conformance with the revised application documents with revision date November 6, 2018, and presentation to the Planning Board on December 18, 2018. The project shall be subject to continuing design review by the Community Development Department ("CDD"). Before issuance of each Building Permit for the project, CDD shall certify to the Superintendent of Buildings that the final plans submitted to secure the Building Permit are consistent with and meet all conditions of this Decision. As part of CDD's administrative review of the project, and prior to any certification to the Superintendent of Buildings, CDD may present any design changes made subsequent to this Decision to the Planning Board for its review and comment.

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- 7. The Permittee shall address the following design comments through the continuing design review process set forth above. Each of the below items shall be subject to CDD review and approval of the final design details prior to issuance of a Building Permit:
  - a. All exterior materials, colors, façade alterations and details in addition to the murals on the building façades.
  - b. Specifications for window glass, design of the window display boxes and their lighting, and options for the administration and curation of the window displays.
  - c. Any proposed mechanical equipment on the rooftop, façade or exterior of the building.
  - d. All exterior signage, lighting, and other security features that may be required by state regulations. To the extent possible, any proposed outdoor lighting shall be designed to conform to the guidelines recommended in the proposed Cambridge Outdoor Lighting Ordinance.
- 8. The Permittee shall coordinate with the Department of Public Works regarding any planned reconstruction of public spaces adjacent to the site.
- 9. The permitted operating hours of the approved RMD shall be between 9:00 AM and 9:00 PM daily.
- 10. There shall be no required off-street parking for the permitted RMD use. In order to meet the requirement for short-term bicycle parking spaces, the Permittee shall make a contribution to the City's Bicycle Parking Fund in accordance with Section 6.104.2-b of the Zoning Ordinance equivalent to the amount necessary to provide six (6) bicycle parking spaces or three (3) racks. Such contribution shall be made prior to the issuance of a Building Permit.
- 11. The Permittee shall contribute \$35,000 to the City prior to issuance of a Building Permit to improve transit services and information in Central Square and to support the use of transit for employees and patrons, such as providing real-time bus arrival information at bus stops.
- 12. The Permittee shall be required to implement a transportation demand management (TDM) program and a transportation monitoring and reporting program including, at a minimum, the following measures, which shall be certified by the TP&T and CDD prior to issuance of a Certificate of Occupancy for the approved RMD:
  - a. Provide 65% MBTA T-Pass subsidies, up to the federal fringe benefit limit, to all employees (may be pro-rated for part-time employees). The program shall be administered by the employer through the MBTA Corporate Pass Program.
  - b. Offer all employees Gold Level Blue Bikes bikeshare membership; to be administered through the Blue Bikes Corporate Program by the employer.

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- c. Provide lockers for employees that walk or bike to work.
- d. Have available an air pump and bicycle repair tools for employees and customers to use when needed.
- e. Designate an employee of the facility as a Transportation Coordinator (TC) to manage the implementation of the TDM measures and a transportation monitoring program. The TC shall:
  - i. Post in a central and visible location (i.e. lobby for customers, break room for employees) information on available non-automobile services in the area, including, but not limited to:
    - 1. Available pedestrian and bicycle facilities in the vicinity of the Project site.
    - 2. MBTA maps, schedules and fares.
    - 3. "Getting Around in Cambridge" map (available from CDD).
    - 4. Locations of bicycle parking.
    - 5. Carsharing/ridematching programs.
    - 6. Blue Bikes bikesharing system.
    - 7. Carpooling/vanpooling programs.
    - 8. Other pertinent transportation information.
      - Instead of or in addition to posting paper MBTA schedules, provide a real-time transit and Blue Bikes display screen or tablet in a central location to help people decide which mode to choose for each trip.
  - ii. Compile up-to-date transportation information explaining all commuter options and provide to all employees. This information should also be distributed to all new employees as part of their orientation.
  - iii. Provide or describe to customers information on transportation options to access the site.
  - iv. Provide and maintain information on the project's website, newsletters, social media, etc., on how to access the site by all modes, with emphasis on non-automobile modes.
  - v. Participate in any TC training offered by the City of Cambridge or a local Transportation Management Association.
  - vi. Implement an annual transportation monitoring program which will involve surveying employees and customers on their travel modes and where they customarily park (cars and bicycles). The annual monitoring program shall continue for 10 years following the issuance of a Certificate of Occupancy for

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the RMD, at which time TP&T will work with the Permittee to determine if it would be beneficial to continue the monitoring program.

- 1. The monitoring program shall include information/observations of the loading activities (locations and frequency of deliveries).
- 2. All surveys shall be designed and conducted in a manner approved by TP&T and CDD.
- 3. The form of any survey instrument or monitoring method shall be approved before issuance of the Certificate of Occupancy.
- 4. Surveying shall begin one year from the date of the first Certificate of Occupancy. If the Certificate of Occupancy is issued between September 1 and February 29, the monitoring should take place during the months of September or October and be reported to the City no later than November 30. If the Certificate of Occupancy is issued between March 1 and August 31, monitoring should take place during the months of April or May and be reported to the City no later than June 30.
- 13. No loading bays shall be required; however, a loading and service delivery management plan that includes all delivery activity to the facility shall be submitted to and approved by TP&T prior to the issuance of a Building Permit for any improvements associated with the approved RMD. Such a plan shall include the following measures:
  - a. At no time shall a vehicle park or stop on any public street or municipal parking lot in a manner that blocks traffic or impedes the flow of pedestrians or bicycles traveling on public streets.
  - b. All loading must be conducted from legal locations, without using No Stopping zones or Double Parking.
  - a. The Permittee shall cooperate with the City to resolve any issues caused by loading, pick-up and drop-off activities associated with the facility on public users and infrastructure.
  - b. In accordance with the proposal, the RMD at 541 Massachusetts Avenue shall not be used as a distribution point for home deliveries.
- 14. Prior to issuance of a Certificate of Occupancy for the approved RMD, CDD shall certify to the Superintendent of Buildings that all Conditions of this Special Permit Decision are met.
- 15. All authorized development shall abide by all applicable City of Cambridge Ordinances, including the Noise Ordinance (Chapter 8.16 of the City Municipal Code).

Voting in the affirmative to GRANT the Special Permits were Planning Board Members Louis Bacci, H Theodore Cohen, Steven Cohen, Mary Flynn, Hugh Russell, and Tom Sieniewicz, constituting at least two thirds of the members of the Board, necessary to grant a special permit.

For the Planning Board,

H Theodore Cohen, Chair.

A copy of this decision PB #339 shall be filed with the Office of the City Clerk. Appeals, if any, shall be made pursuant to Section 17, Chapter 40A, Massachusetts General Laws, and shall be filed within twenty (20) days after the date of such filing in the Office of the City Clerk.

| City of Cambridge, MA • Planning Board Decision                    |
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| PB # 339 - Revolutionary Clinic II, Inc., 541 Massachusetts Avenue |

| ATTEST: A true and correct copy of the above decision has been filed on Januar the Office of the City Clerk, by Swaathi Joseph, duly authorized representative of Board. All plans referred to in the decision have been filed with the City Clerk or  | the Planning    |
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| Twenty days have elapsed since the above decision was filed in the office of the C no appeal has been filed; or  | City Clerk and: |
| an appeal has been filed within such twenty days.  |                 |
| The person exercising rights under a duly appealed special permit does so at risk to reverse the permit and that any construction performed under the permit may be of This certification shall in no event terminate or shorten the tolling, during the pen appeals, of the periods provided under the second paragraph of G.L. c. 40A, §6. | rdered undone.  |
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**Appendix I: Approved Dimensional Chart** 

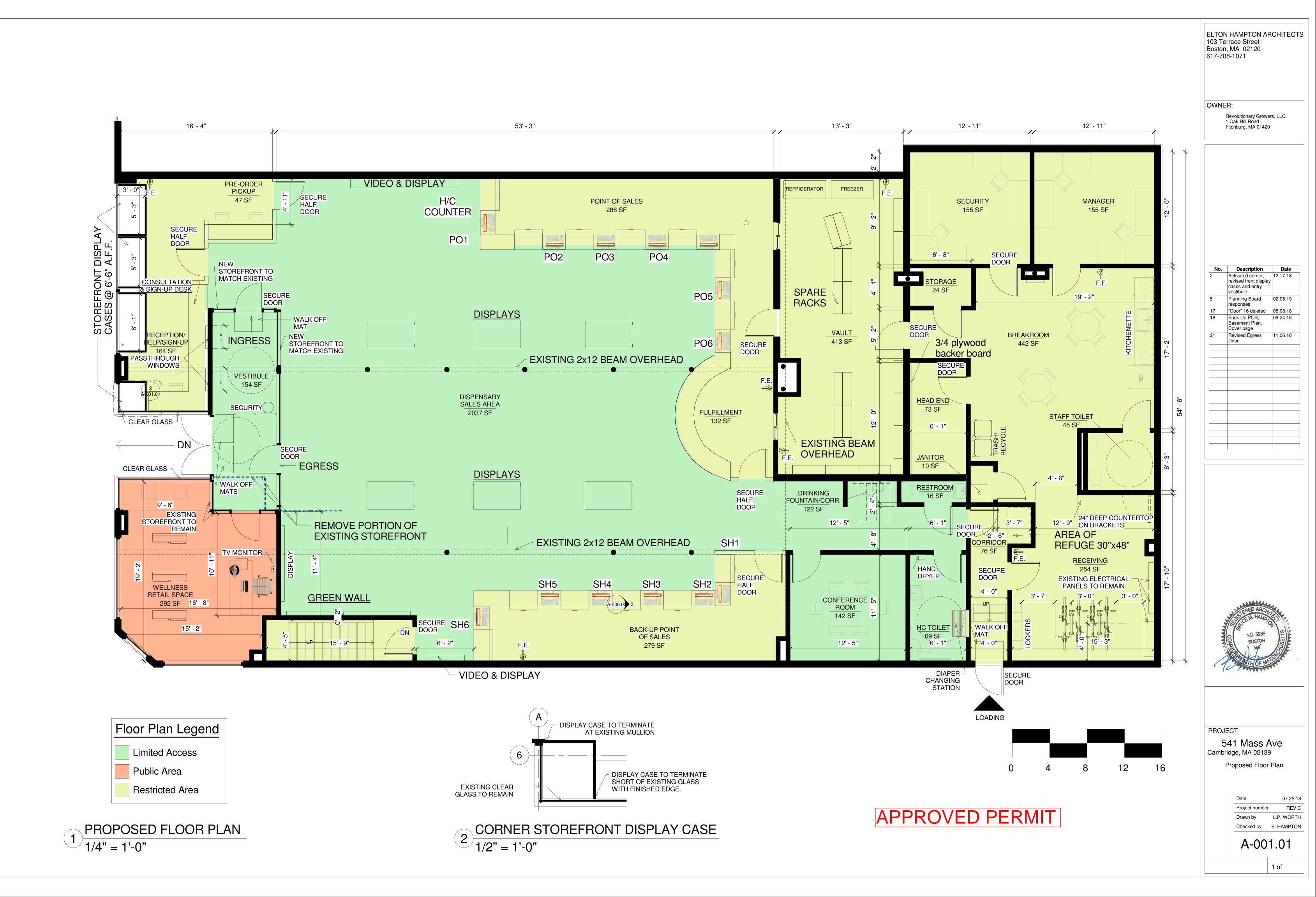
|                               | Existing | Allowed or<br>Required | Proposed <sub>.</sub> | Permitted                                   |
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| Lot Area (sq ft)              | 6,025    | None                   | No Change             | No Change                                   |
| Lot Width (ft)                | 121      | None                   | No Change             | No Change                                   |
| Total GFA (sq ft)             | 6,025    | 39,545                 | No Change             | No Change                                   |
| Residential Base              | n/a      | n/a                    | n/a                   | Consistent with                             |
| Non-Residential Base          | 6,025    | 13,221                 | No Change             | Application Documents and applicable zoning |
| Inclusionary Bonus            | n/a      | n/a                    | n/a                   | requirements                                |
| Total FAR                     | 1.0      | 2.75/3.0               | No Change             | Consistent with                             |
| Residential Base              | n/a      | n/a                    | n/a                   | Application Documents                       |
| Non-Residential Base          | 1.0      | 1.0                    | No Change             | and applicable zoning                       |
| Inclusionary Bonus            | n/a      | n/a                    | n/a                   | requirements                                |
| Total Dwelling Units          | 0        | n/a                    | 0                     | 0   |
| Base Units                    | n/a      | n/a                    | n/a                   | Consistent with                             |
| Inclusionary Bonus Units      | n/a      | n/a                    | n/a                   | Application Documents                       |
| Base Lot Area / Unit (sq ft)  | n/a      | n/a                    | n/a                   | and applicable zoning                       |
| Total Lot Area / Unit (sq ft) | n/a      | n/a                    | n/a                   | requirements                                |
| Height (ft)                   | 15.9     | 55                     | No Change             | Consistent with                             |
| Front Setbacks (ft)           | . 0      | None                   | No Change             | Application Documents                       |
| Side Setback (ft)             | 0        | None                   | No Change             | and applicable zoning                       |
| Rear Setback (ft)             | 0        | None                   | No Change             | requirements                                |
| Open Space (% of Lot Area)    | o o      | None                   | No Change             | Consistent with                             |
| Private Open Space            | 0        | None                   | No Change             | Application Documents and applicable zoning |
| Permeable Open Space          | 0        | None                   | No Change             | requirements                                |
| Off-Street Parking Spaces     | 0        | 01                     | 0                     | 0   |
| Long-Term Bicycle Parking     | 0        | 41                     | 4                     | Consistent with                             |
| Short-Term Bicycle Parking    | 0        | 6 <sup>1</sup>         | O <sup>2</sup>        | Application Documents and applicable zoning |
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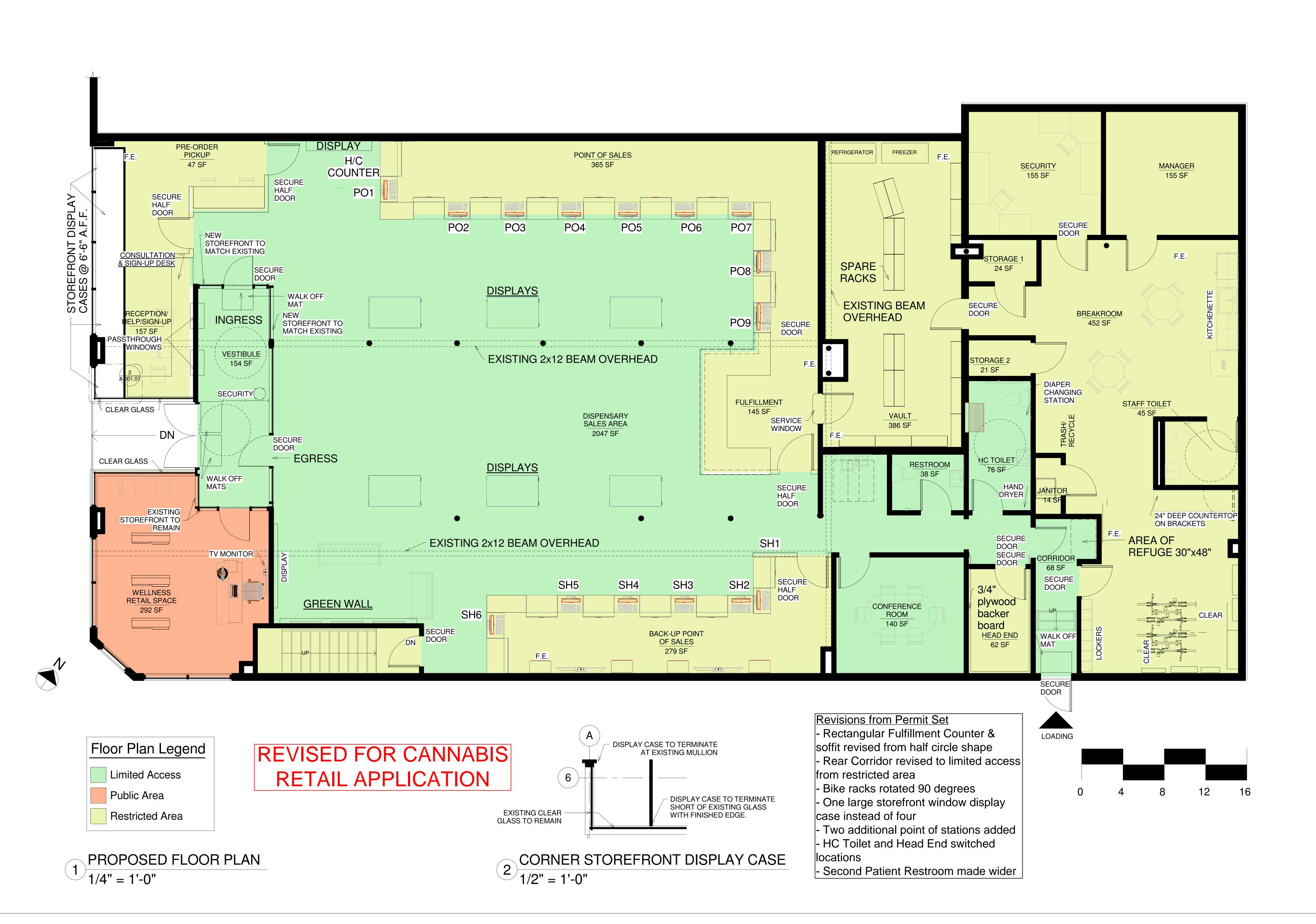
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Requirement determined by the Planning Board based on the transportation analysis as per Section 11.802.6.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Provided by making a contribution to the City's Public Bicycle Parking Fund for 3 bike racks.



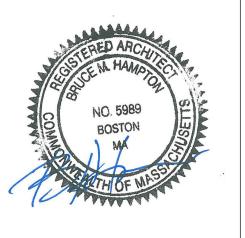




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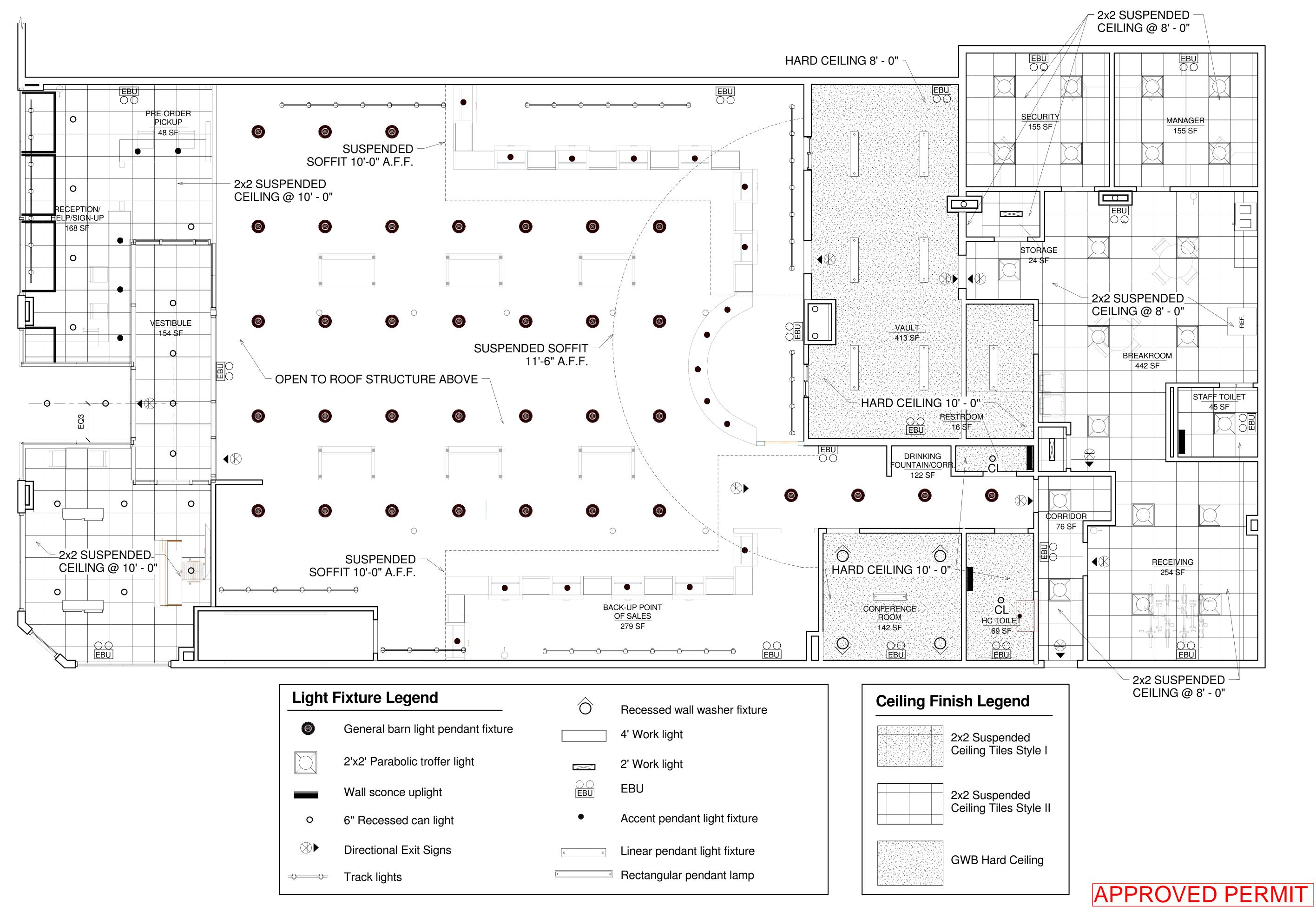
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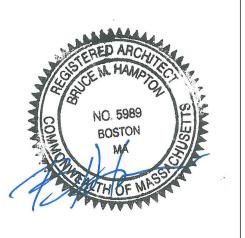
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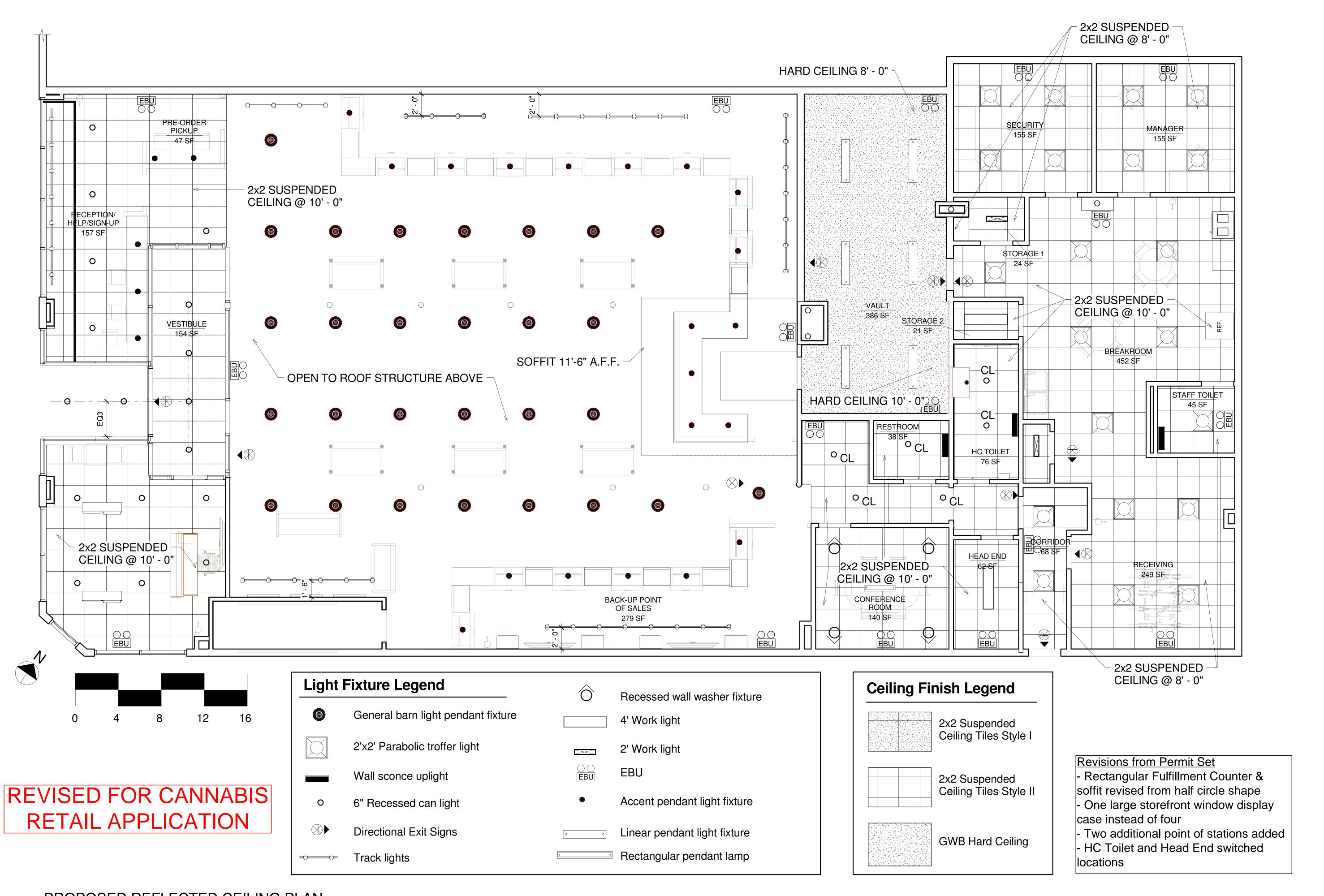


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 03.09.19

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 Sales Counter Reconfiguration
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 Fulfillment Soffit, 2 additional POS stations, Exterior Signage
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 Back Up POS, Basement Plan, Cover page
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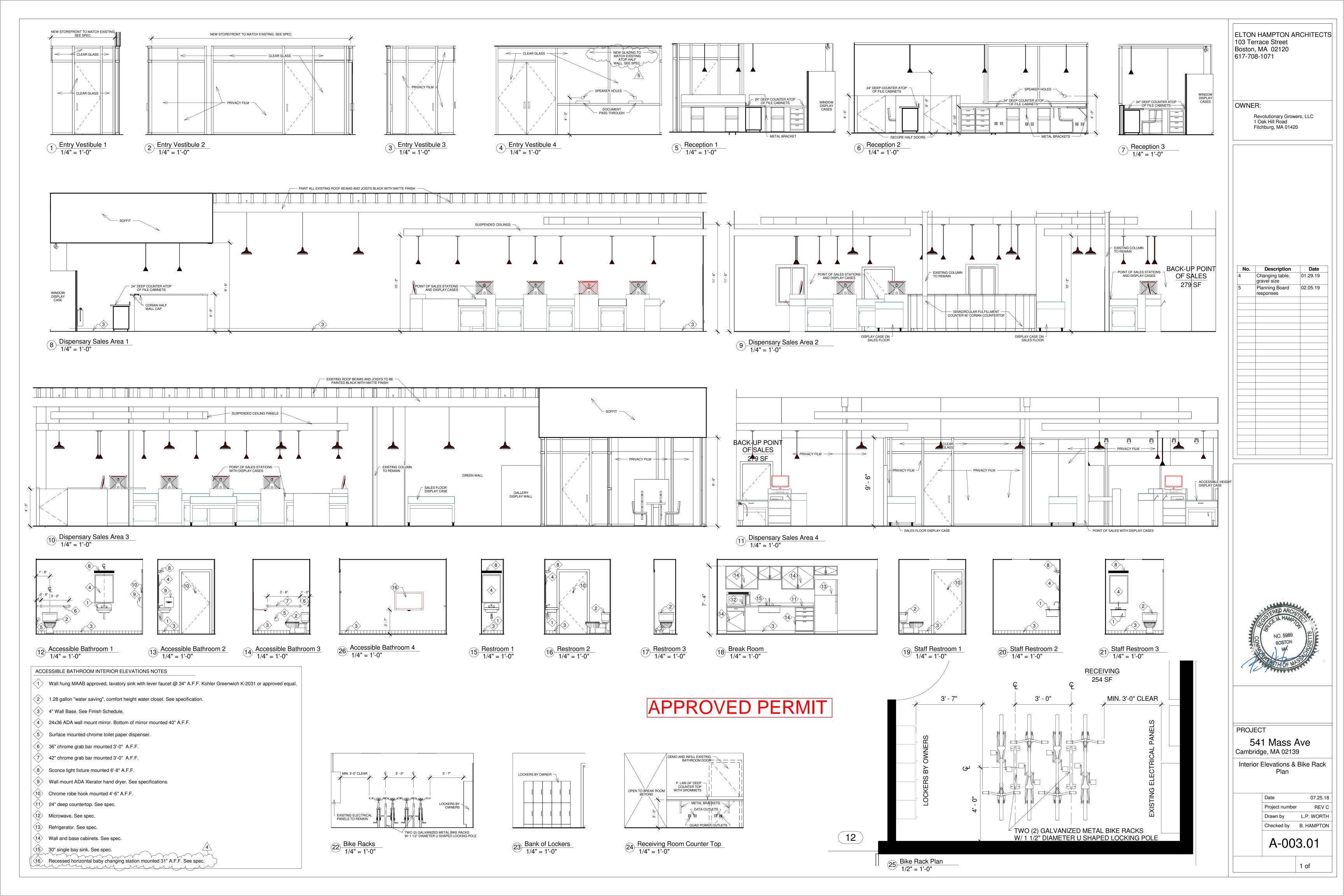


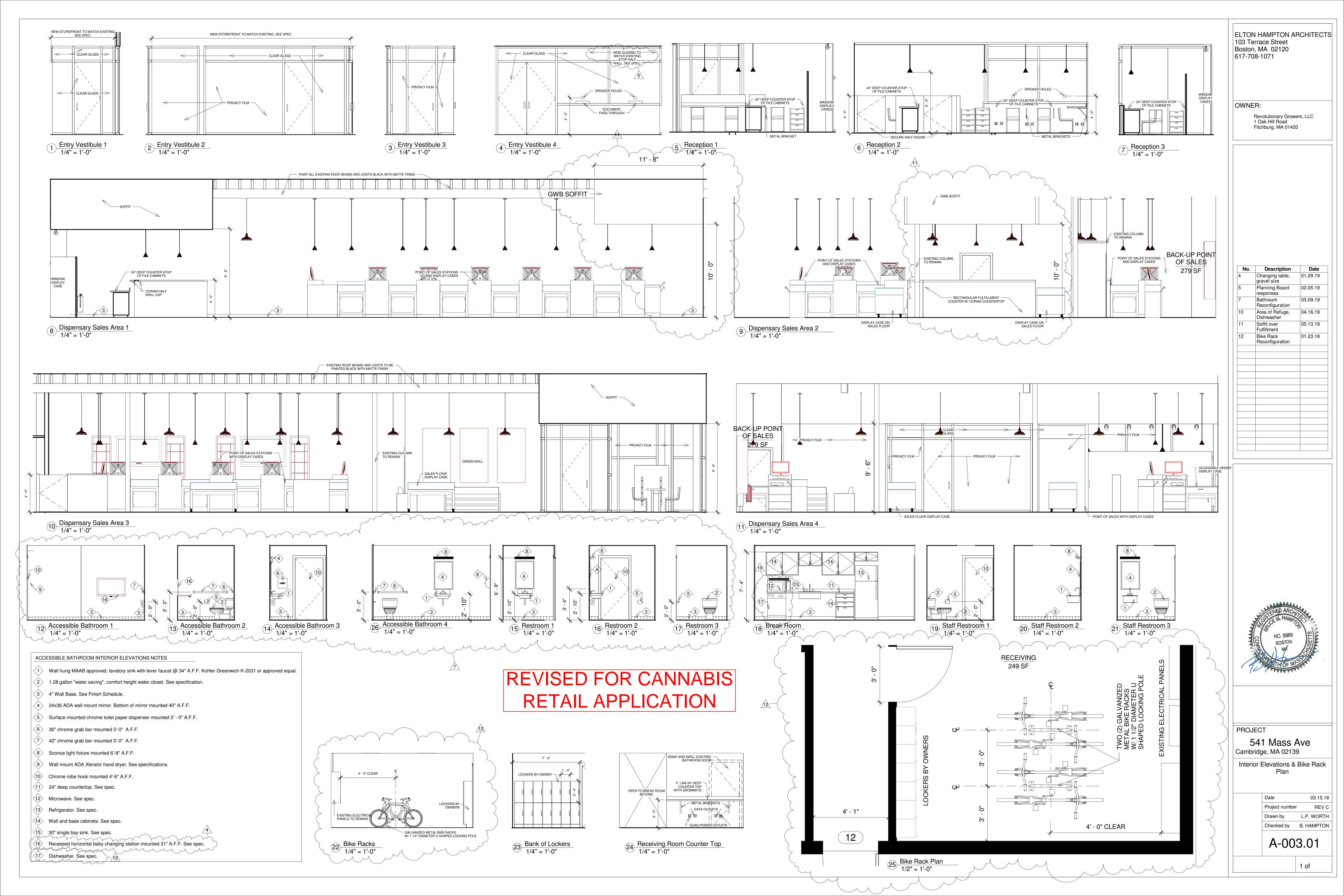
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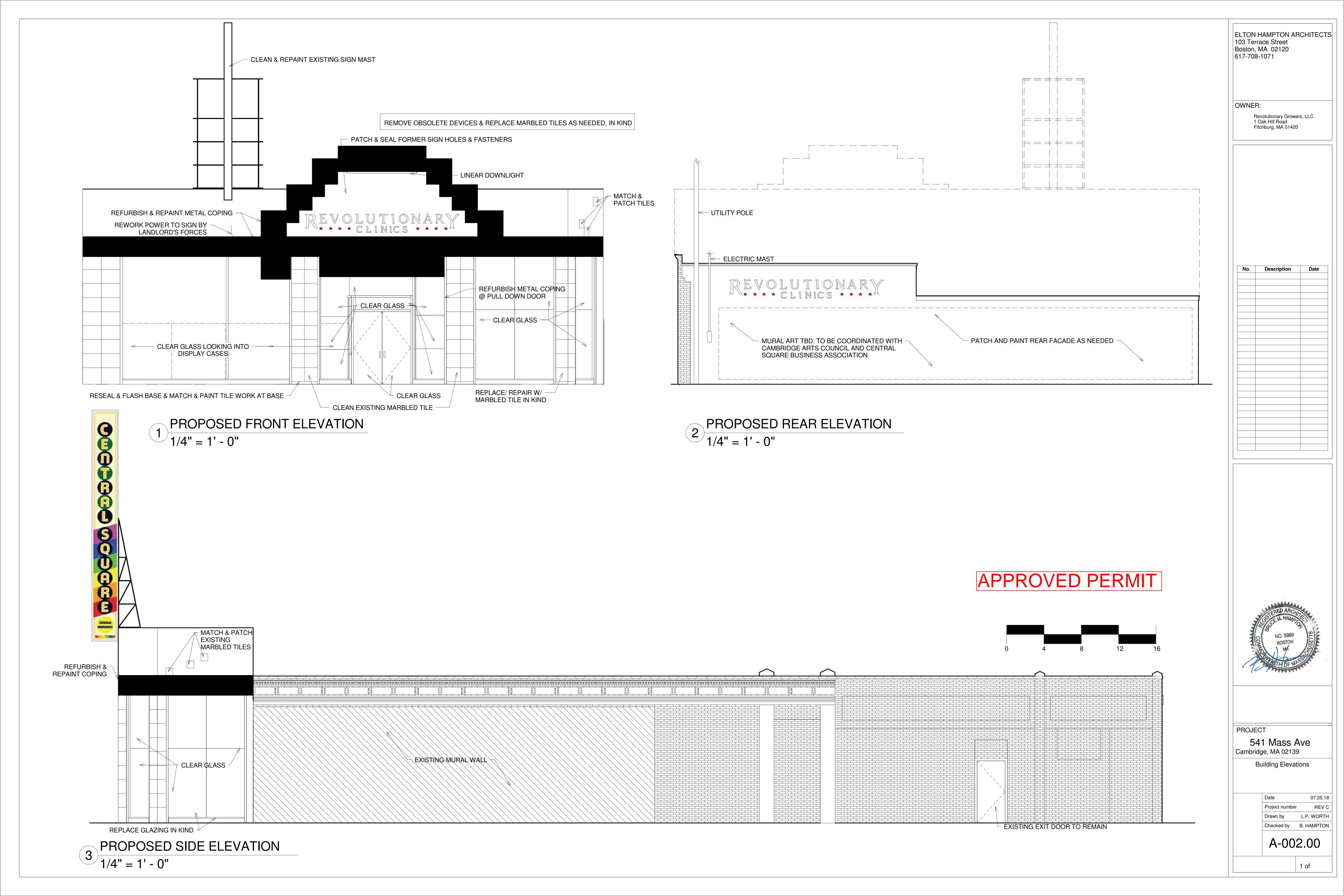
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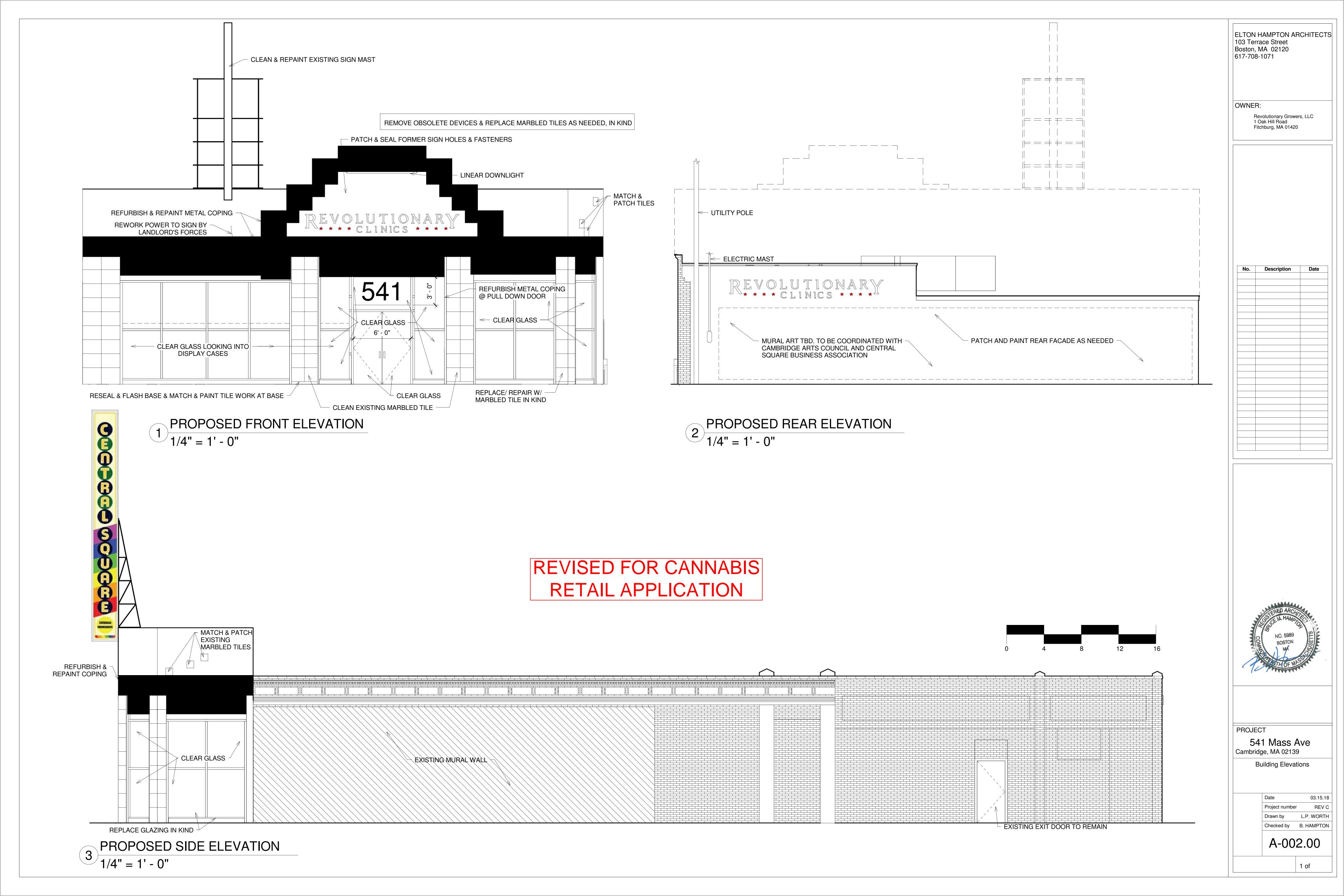
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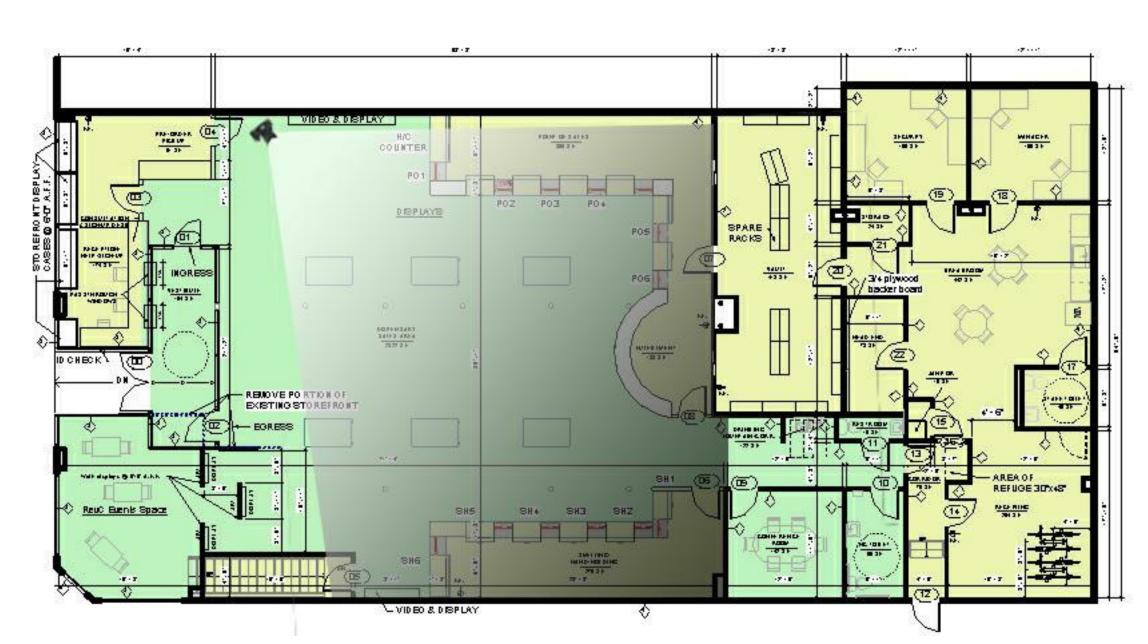












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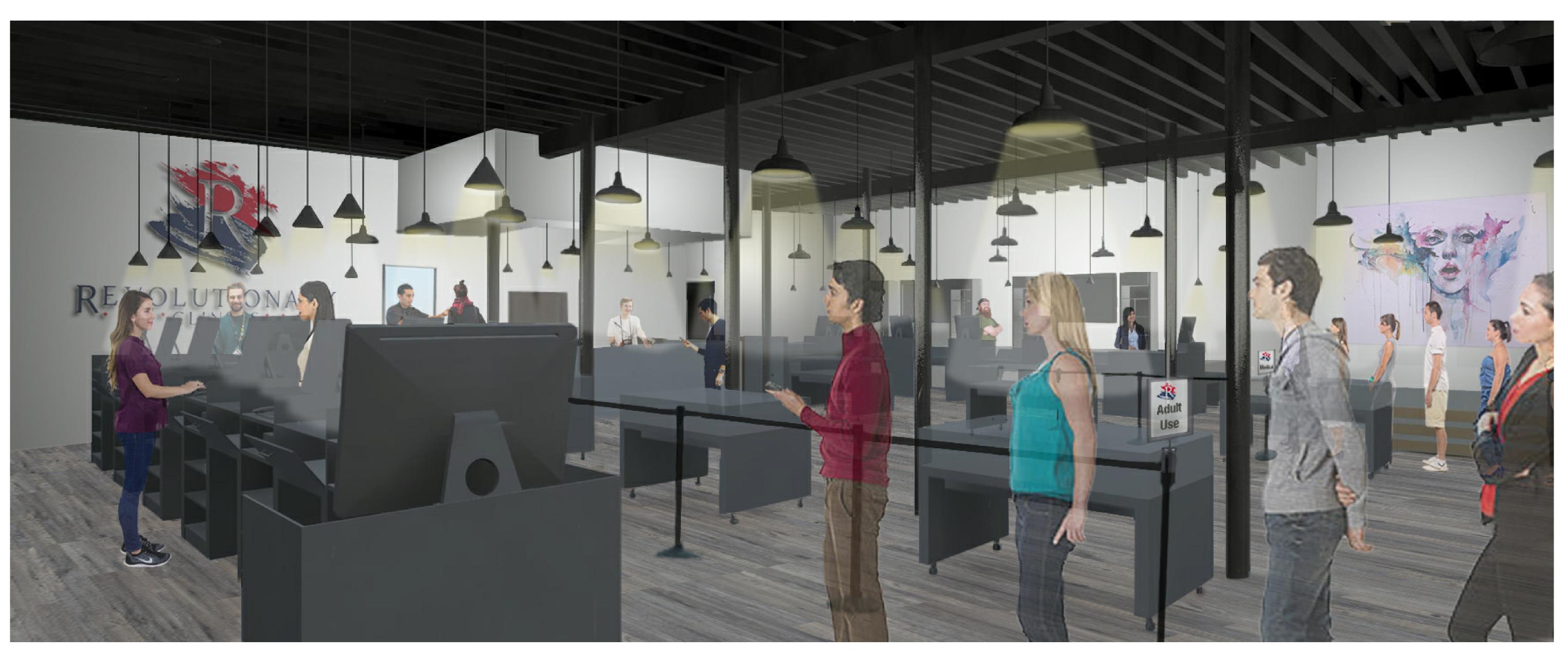
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# Revisions from Permit Set

- Rectangular Fulfillment Counter & soffit revised from half circle shape
- Service Window at fulfillment
- Two additional point of stations added

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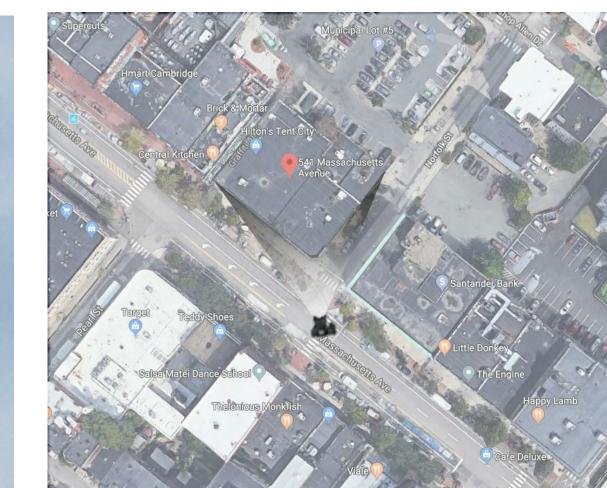
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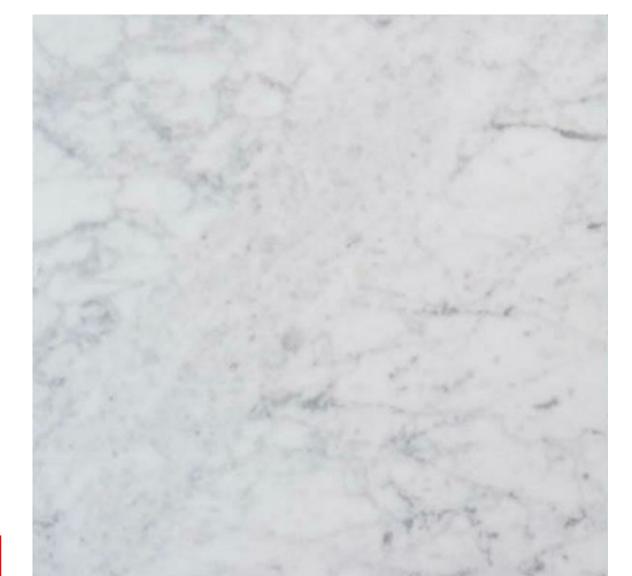




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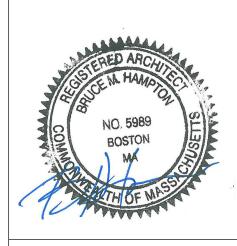
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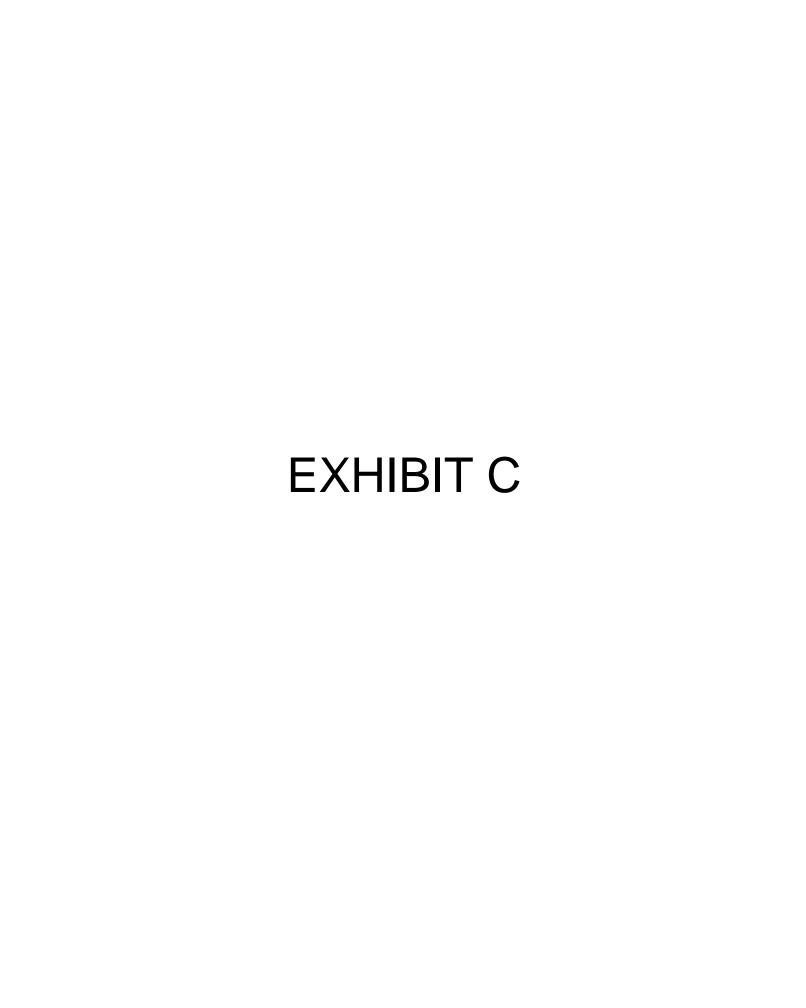
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TO: Keith Cooper DATE: September 12, 2019

Bruce Hampton

FROM: Ian McKinnon, P.E., PTOE HSH PROJECT NO.: 2019137.00

Andrew Fabiszewski

SUBJECT: Transportation Analysis - 541 Massachusetts Avenue, Cambridge, Massachsuetts

Howard Stein Hudson (HSH) has prepared this transportation analysis for the proposed Cannabis Dispensary at 541 Massachusetts Avenue (the Project and/or Site) in Cambridge. This transportation assessment was prepared to address the requirements for Cannabis Retail Stores outlined in the Draft Transportation Logistics Plan Guideline and will cover:

- Site Context;
- Expected frequency of client and employee trips to the site;
- Expected modes of transportation used by clients and employees; and
- Expected impact on parking supply.

Recreational dispensaries are a relatively new land use in Massachusetts and are not well-documented in terms of trip generation patterns; therefore, the trip generation estimates were evaluated based on information provided by Revolutionary Clinics (the Applicant) and compared to existing dispensary survey data. Demand at the store could be initially higher than average before decreasing as more competition opens and the excitement of the new land use decreases.

### Site Context

The Project site is currently occupied by an approximately 6,000 square foot (sf) building that is currently vacant but previously served as an art gallery. The proposed Project involves the renovation of the existing building for a recreational retail cannabis dispensary. The Project is well served with transit with a convenient location within a one-minute walk of Central Square Station, which provides connections to the Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority (MBTA) subway Red Line as well as connections to several bus routes. The transit connections within a short walk of the Project are outlined in **Table 1.** The Applicant intends to fully subsidize MBTA passes for employees to encourage non-vehicular travel options.

Table 1. Transit Connections

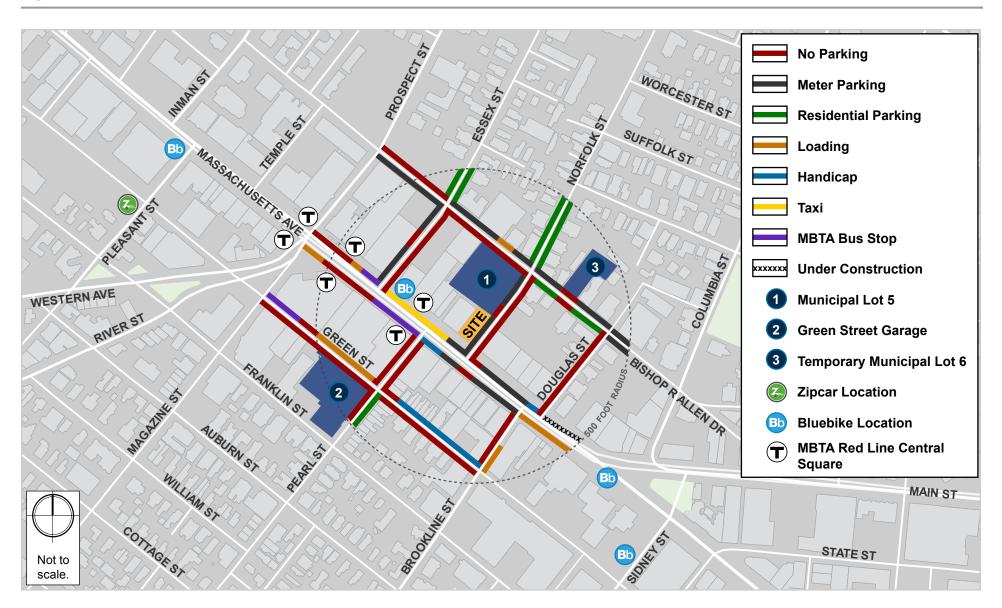
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|--------------------|--|---------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------------|------------------------------|
| Red<br>Line        | Alewife –<br>Ashmont/Braintree                           | 5:13 a.m. –<br>12:30 a.m. | 4-5                           | 5:15 a.m. –<br>12:30 a.m. | 7                            |
| 1                  | Harvard/Holyoke Gate  – Dudley Station via  Mass Ave     | 5:10 a.m. –<br>1:40 a.m.  | 10                            | 5:10 a.m. –<br>1:40 a.m.  | 10-20                        |
| 47                 | Central Square –<br>Broadway Station                     | 5:15 a.m. –<br>1:31 a.m.  | 10-15                         | 5:00 a.m. –<br>1:40 a.m.  | 32-45                        |
| 64                 | Oak Square –<br>University Park or<br>Kendall/MIT        | 5:31 a.m. –<br>1:26 a.m.  | 20-30                         | 5:20 a.m. –<br>1:29 a.m.  | 60-75                        |
| 70/70A             | Waltham – University<br>Park                             | 5:11 a.m. –<br>1:04 a.m.  | 3-15                          | 5:40 a.m. –<br>1:09 a.m.  | 10-35                        |
| 83                 | Rindge Avenue –<br>Central Square via<br>Porter          | 5:10 a.m. –<br>1:20 a.m.  | 20-25                         | 5:10 a.m. –<br>1:04 a.m.  | 20-40                        |
| 91                 | Sullivan Square –<br>Central Square via<br>Washington St | 5:15 a.m. –<br>1:08 a.m.  | 30                            | 5:00 a.m. –<br>1:05 a.m.  | 25-30                        |
| CT1                | Central Square –<br>Boston Medical<br>Center via MIT     | 6:00 a.m. –<br>7:42 p.m.  | 21-24                         | N/A                       | N/A                          |

Source: MBTA.com,

There are four BLUEbikes Stations within a five-minute walk of the Site, generally located along Massachusetts Avenue. Altogether these four stations have capacity for 58 bikes. There are bike lanes in both directions along Massachusetts Avenue in front of the Site. There are 19 public short term bicycle racks with capacity for 38 bikes within 100 ft of the entrance on the sidewalk in front of the site and covered bicycle racks with capacity for 24 bikes in the lot behind the Site. Observations indicate that during peak times (5 p.m.) on June 12<sup>th</sup> the covered bike racks behind the Site were 38% full.

Proximate parking facilities to the Site include Municipal Lot 5, temporary Municipal Lot 6, and Green Street Garage which provide public spaces for patrons of the Site. Metered on-street parking is also provided on the roadways surrounding the Site. Metered parking surrounding the Site is generally 1-hour along Massachusetts Avenue and 2-hour along the other streets surrounding the Site. The Site Context map is shown in **Figure 1**.

Figure 1. Site Context



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# **Trip Generation and Operations**

#### **Facility Operations**

Based on information provided by Revolutionary Clinics, the planned weekly hours of operation will be 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m. everyday. These hours will be set by the City in the Host Community Agreement and are subject to change. Service to the building will occur from the side entrance along Norfolk Street. The delivery/service vehicles will utilize the existing loading space behind the building in Municipal Lot 5 to lessen the possibility for impacts along Massachusetts Avenue. The side entrance will be restricted access, providing access to employees and deliveries only.

#### **Service Area**

As of the writing of this memo, there are 23 recreational dispensaries currently open or imminent in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, with 36 more that have provisional approval, and 111 pending applications in the permitting process. When this Site opens, there will likely be several recreational retail dispensaries open in the Cambridge and Boston area.

The congestion and traffic generated by individual locations that was seen during the initial wave of dispensary openings will continue to decrease as more retail establishments open for business. The service area for the Project will be largely dependent on competition in the area as other dispensaries open. When the market becomes saturated, the operations at the dispensary will likely only serve local trips more akin to a convenience or package store.

#### **Mode Share**

The only existing dispensaries in the Boston area at the time of this memo is New England Treatment Access (NETA) in Brookline and Garden Remedies in Newton. To establish how patrons to NETA traveled, a mode share survey was conducted on April 16th, 2019 during the afternoon peak times. The mode share results of the survey are presented in **Table 2**.

Table 2. Mode Share Survey

| Location | Vehicle | Transit | Walk | Bike |
|----------|---------|---------|------|------|
| NETA     | 52%     | 29%     | 16%  | 3%   |

As shown in **Table 2**, there is a 52% vehicle mode share, transit mode share is 29%, and 19% walk/bike mode share. These mode shares will be applied to the dispensary client person trips to establish trip generation for each mode. The mode shares within the survey reflect how NETA operates as a destination retail store currently. The Site may operate under these mode share conditions at first, but it is expected that as more facilities open and the novelty wears off that the Site's close proximity to transit, walkability, and bike facilities will work to decrease the vehicle focused mode share.

#### **Client Trips**

With a saturated retail cannabis market, Revolutionary Clinics projects that they will service approximately 500 clients per day. Revolutionary Clinics projections are determined by data from their other operating dispensary facilities and statistics that indicate the increase in client trips with respect to the conversion to recreational from medical.

The 500 clients per day would correspond with about 1000-person trips per day (500 entering and 500 exiting). Client visits are expected to occur throughout the day with the peak time likely occurring from 5:30-7:30 p.m. Peak client activity during these time periods is anticipated to be about 75 clients per hour, or up to 150-person trips per hour (75 entering and 75 exiting).

At 52% vehicle share, it is estimated that there will be approximately 520 client vehicle trips (260 entering and 260 exiting) per day. Approximately 78 client vehicle trips (39 entering and 39 exiting) are anticipated during the p.m. peak hour. The remaining 48% for transit/walk/bike will have approximately 480 person trips (240 entering and 240 exiting) from these modes per day. Approximately 72 person trips (36 entering, 36 exiting) from these modes will occur during the p.m. peak hour.

#### **Staff and Delivery Trips**

Revolutionary Clinics will have approximately 25 full-time staff. It is estimated that there would be approximately 10 to 20 employees on site at any given time. It is estimated that there would be approximately 20 unique employees working on-site throughout the day. Therefore, employees are expected to generate about 40 person trips (20 entering and 20 exiting) on a typical day.

Staff parking will not be provided on or around the Site and employees will be encouraged to utilize non-driving commuting options. Employees will receive subsidized transit and/or BLUEbikes passes to encourage alternative modes of transportation. The great transit connections to the Site should lead to high transit use by employees. The Applicant is setting an aspirational goal of hiring all Cambridge residents to work in the store. If this goal is successful, the vehicle mode share for employees will approach zero as there is a great availability of transit, walking, and biking options from points in Cambridge to the Site.

Service and delivery activity for the proposed Site is expected to be minimal and occur no more than 4 times per week relating to products and cash. The Applicant proposes using the loading areas within Municipal Lot 5 behind the Site to accommodate their delivery vehicles.

#### **Combined Project Trip Generation**

When combining patient, staff, and service/delivery trips, the Project is expected to generate about 1040 person trips per day (520 entering and 520 exiting). During the busiest hours, the site may generate approximately 150 person trips per hour (75 entering and 75 exiting). The daily, a.m. and p.m. peak hour person trips are broken down by anticipated mode in **Table 3.** The dispensary is not open to customers during the a.m. peak hour so the trips during this time period will be employees commuting.

Table 3. Trip Generation

| Direction    | Vehicle | Transit                         | Walk | Bike |  |  |  |  |
|--------------|---------|---------------------------------|------|------|--|--|--|--|
| Daily Trips¹ |         |                                 |      |      |  |  |  |  |
| Enter        | 260     | 145                             | 80   | 15   |  |  |  |  |
| Exit         | 260     | 145                             | 80   | 15   |  |  |  |  |
| Total        | 520     | 290                             | 160  | 30   |  |  |  |  |
|              | a.r     | m. Peak Hour Trips <sup>1</sup> |      |      |  |  |  |  |
| Enter        | 1       | 4                               | 0    | 1    |  |  |  |  |
| Exit         | 0       | 0                               | 0    | 0    |  |  |  |  |
| Total        | 1       | 4                               | 0    | 1    |  |  |  |  |
|              | p.r     | m. Peak Hour Trips¹             |      |      |  |  |  |  |
| Enter        | 39      | 22                              | 12   | 2    |  |  |  |  |
| Exit         | 39      | 22                              | 12   | 2    |  |  |  |  |
| Total        | 78      | 44                              | 24   | 4    |  |  |  |  |

<sup>1.</sup> Based on information provided by Revolutionary Clinics with mode share survey data from NETA.

# **Parking**

On-street parking occupancy data was collected during the times outlined in the Draft Cannabis TP&T Guidelines to determine the existing parking conditions and how it relates to the Project parking needs. The data collection was performed on June 8<sup>th</sup> and June 12<sup>th</sup> 2019 and consisted of streets that are within approximately 500 ft walk to the Site. The data collection is detailed in **Table 4** and **Table 5**. Parking that is not viable for dispensary customers, such as permit only parking, was not included in the tables.

Table 4. Parking Occupancy, Wednesday June 12th 2019

| Street Name/Lot       | Time     | Regulation   | Occupied<br>Spaces | Total<br>Spaces | %<br>Occupancy |
|-----------------------|----------|--------------|--------------------|-----------------|----------------|
| Bishop Allen Drive    | 10:00 AM | 2 Hr Meter   | 33                 | 42              | 79%            |
| Essex Street          | 10:00 AM | 2 Hr Meter   | 9                  | 9               | 100%           |
| Norfolk Street        | 10:00 AM | 2 Hr Meter   | 10                 | 10              | 100%           |
| Douglass Street       | 10:00 AM | 2 Hr Meter   | 3                  | 5               | 60%            |
| Massachusetts Avenue  | 10:00 AM | 1 Hr Meter   | 21                 | 22              | 95%            |
| Brookline Street      | 10:00 AM | 2 Hr Meter   | 7                  | 7               | 100%           |
| Municipal Lot 5       | 10:00 AM | 2/4 Hr Meter | 76                 | 79              | 96%            |
| Temp. Municipal Lot 6 | 10:00 AM | 4 Hr Meter   | 35                 | 37              | 95%            |
| Green Street Garage   | 10:00 AM | Public Lot   | 254                | 269             | 94%            |
| Total                 | 10:00 AM |              | 448                | 480             | 93%            |
| Bishop Allen Drive    | 12:00 PM | 2 Hr Meter   | 36                 | 42              | 86%            |
| Essex Street          | 12:00 PM | 2 Hr Meter   | 6                  | 9               | 67%            |
| Norfolk Street        | 12:00 PM | 2 Hr Meter   | 10                 | 10              | 100%           |
| Douglass Street       | 12:00 PM | 2 Hr Meter   | 4                  | 5               | 80%            |
| Massachusetts Avenue  | 12:00 PM | 1 Hr Meter   | 21                 | 22              | 95%            |
| Brookline Street      | 12:00 PM | 2 Hr Meter   | 7                  | 7               | 100%           |
| Municipal Lot 5       | 12:00 PM | 2/4 Hr Meter | 73                 | 79              | 92%            |
| Municipal Lot 6       | 12:00 PM | 4 Hr Meter   | 33                 | 37              | 89%            |
| Green Street Garage   | 12:00 PM | Public Lot   | 263                | 269             | 98%            |
| Total                 | 12:00 PM |              | 453                | 480             | 94%            |
| Bishop Allen Drive    | 3:00 PM  | 2 Hr Meter   | 31                 | 42              | 74%            |
| Essex Street          | 3:00 PM  | 2 Hr Meter   | 9                  | 9               | 100%           |
| Norfolk Street        | 3:00 PM  | 2 Hr Meter   | 10                 | 10              | 100%           |
| Douglass Street       | 3:00 PM  | 2 Hr Meter   | 1                  | 5               | 20%            |
| Massachusetts Avenue  | 3:00 PM  | 1 Hr Meter   | 19                 | 22              | 86%            |

| Street Name/Lot      | Time    | Regulation   | Occupied<br>Spaces | Total<br>Spaces | %<br>Occupancy |
|----------------------|---------|--------------|--------------------|-----------------|----------------|
| Brookline Street     | 3:00 PM | 2 Hr Meter   | 3                  | 7               | 43%            |
| Municipal Lot 5      | 3:00 PM | 2/4 Hr Meter | 51                 | 79              | 65%            |
| Municipal Lot 6      | 3:00 PM | 4 Hr Meter   | 21                 | 37              | 57%            |
| Green Street Garage  | 3:00 PM | Public Lot   | 153                | 269             | 57%            |
| Total                | 3:00 PM |              | 298                | 480             | 62%            |
| Bishop Allen Drive   | 5:00 PM | 2 Hr Meter   | 32                 | 42              | 76%            |
| Essex Street         | 5:00 PM | 2 Hr Meter   | 7                  | 9               | 78%            |
| Norfolk Street       | 5:00 PM | 2 Hr Meter   | 10                 | 10              | 100%           |
| Douglass Street      | 5:00 PM | 2 Hr Meter   | 2                  | 5               | 40%            |
| Massachusetts Avenue | 5:00 PM | 1 Hr Meter   | 20                 | 22              | 91%            |
| Brookline Street     | 5:00 PM | 2 Hr Meter   | 3                  | 7               | 43%            |
| Municipal Lot 5      | 5:00 PM | 2/4 Hr Meter | 53                 | 79              | 67%            |
| Municipal Lot 6      | 5:00 PM | 4 Hr Meter   | 12                 | 37              | 32%            |
| Green Street Garage  | 5:00 PM | Public Lot   | 135                | 269             | 50%            |
| Total                | 5:00 PM |              | 274                | 480             | 57%            |
| Bishop Allen Drive   | 7:00 PM | 2 Hr Meter   | 39                 | 42              | 93%            |
| Essex Street         | 7:00 PM | 2 Hr Meter   | 7                  | 9               | 78%            |
| Norfolk Street       | 7:00 PM | 2 Hr Meter   | 8                  | 10              | 80%            |
| Douglass Street      | 7:00 PM | 2 Hr Meter   | 5                  | 5               | 100%           |
| Massachusetts Avenue | 7:00 PM | 1 Hr Meter   | 20                 | 22              | 91%            |
| Brookline Street     | 7:00 PM | 2 Hr Meter   | 7                  | 7               | 100%           |
| Municipal Lot 5      | 7:00 PM | 2/4 Hr Meter | 75                 | 79              | 95%            |
| Municipal Lot 6      | 7:00 PM | 4 Hr Meter   | 18                 | 37              | 49%            |
| Green Street Garage  | 7:00 PM | Public Lot   | 173                | 269             | 64%            |
| Total                | 7:00 PM |              | 352                | 480             | 71%            |

Table 5. Parking Occupancy, Saturday June 8th 2019

| Street Name/Lot      | Time     | Regulation   | Occupied<br>Spaces | Total<br>Spaces | %<br>Occupancy |
|----------------------|----------|--------------|--------------------|-----------------|----------------|
| Bishop Allen Drive   | 12:00 PM | 2 Hr Meter   | 39                 | 42              | 93%            |
| Essex Street         | 12:00 PM | 2 Hr Meter   | 9                  | 9               | 100%           |
| Norfolk Street       | 12:00 PM | 2 Hr Meter   | 8                  | 10              | 80%            |
| Douglass Street      | 12:00 PM | 2 Hr Meter   | 5                  | 5               | 100%           |
| Massachusetts Avenue | 12:00 PM | 1 Hr Meter   | 22                 | 22              | 100%           |
| Brookline Street     | 12:00 PM | 2 Hr Meter   | 4                  | 7               | 57%            |
| Municipal Lot 5      | 12:00 PM | 2/4 Hr Meter | 66                 | 79              | 84%            |
| Municipal Lot 6      | 12:00 PM | 4 Hr Meter   | 19                 | 37              | 51%            |
| Green Street Garage  | 12:00 PM | Public Lot   | 150                | 269             | 56%            |
| Total                | 12:00 PM |              | 322                | 480             | 67%            |
| Bishop Allen Drive   | 3:00 PM  | 2 Hr Meter   | 38                 | 42              | 90%            |
| Essex Street         | 3:00 PM  | 2 Hr Meter   | 9                  | 9               | 100%           |
| Norfolk Street       | 3:00 PM  | 2 Hr Meter   | 9                  | 10              | 90%            |
| Douglass Street      | 3:00 PM  | 2 Hr Meter   | 5                  | 5               | 100%           |
| Massachusetts Avenue | 3:00 PM  | 1 Hr Meter   | 22                 | 22              | 100%           |
| Brookline Street     | 3:00 PM  | 2 Hr Meter   | 4                  | 7               | 57%            |
| Municipal Lot 5      | 3:00 PM  | 2/4 Hr Meter | 62                 | 79              | 78%            |
| Municipal Lot 6      | 3:00 PM  | 4 Hr Meter   | 15                 | 37              | 41%            |
| Green Street Garage  | 3:00 PM  | Public Lot   | 185                | 269             | 69%            |
| Total                | 3:00 PM  |              | 349                | 480             | 73%            |
| Bishop Allen Drive   | 7:00 PM  | 2 Hr Meter   | 36                 | 42              | 86%            |
| Essex Street         | 7:00 PM  | 2 Hr Meter   | 9                  | 9               | 100%           |
| Norfolk Street       | 7:00 PM  | 2 Hr Meter   | 10                 | 10              | 100%           |
| Douglass Street      | 7:00 PM  | 2 Hr Meter   | 5                  | 5               | 100%           |
| Massachusetts Avenue | 7:00 PM  | 1 Hr Meter   | 21                 | 22              | 95%            |
| Brookline Street     | 7:00 PM  | 2 Hr Meter   | 0                  | 7               | 0%             |
| Municipal Lot 5      | 7:00 PM  | 2/4 Hr Meter | 63                 | 79              | 80%            |
| Municipal Lot 6      | 7:00 PM  | 4 Hr Meter   | 17                 | 37              | 46%            |
| Green Street Garage  | 7:00 PM  | Public Lot   | 170                | 269             | 63%            |
| Total                | 7:00 PM  |              | 331                | 480             | 69%            |

As shown above, on-street parking is well-utilized near the Project, ranging from 57% to 94% occupancy on the weekday during the hours studied, which corresponds with 27 to 206 available spaces. On Saturday June 8th, the parking ranged from 67% to 73% occupancy, which corresponds to

between 131 and 158 available spaces. During the peak demand periods, it is anticipated that approximately 13 clients per hour will arrive at the Site via private vehicle. Revolutionary Clinics currently uses expedited service methods such as online preordering, reservations, and appointments to fulfill orders in a timely manner. Data from their current medical dispensary shows average customer service time within the facility to be about four minutes. Assuming generally four-minute service times, client parking demand is projected to be about 9 to 20 spaces depending on arrival patterns. Client parking demand could also be lower depending on the number of clients that arrive via transportation network company (TNCs) services such as Uber and Lyft and the use of transportation demand management (TDM) strategies to market the Site as a transit-oriented store. Parking spaces will not be available for employees, who will be encouraged to use other means of transportation to reach the Site.

In addition to the proposed Project, two additional cannabis dispensaries have been granted a special permit to operate in the area. The City of Cambridge requested that the parking demand from all three projects be considered to develop a projection for the worst-case scenario. The three dispensaries are projected to have a combined peak parking demand of 59 to 75 parking spaces. The availability of nearby on-street parking and parking available in garages and lots ranges from 27 spaces to 206 spaces during the weekday and between 131 and 158 spaces during the weekday. According to the observations and projected parking demand for all three dispensaries, customers might have difficulty finding available parking at 10:00 a.m. and 12:00 noon during the weekday. However, the weekday peak parking demand for the dispensaries typically occurs during the evening peak hour where the parking availability in significantly higher. Between 5:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. on weekdays, there are between 128 and 206 available parking spaces in the area. Additionally, the peak parking demand for each cannabis dispensary was developed separately, and it is unlikely that the peak parking demand for each dispensary will occur at the same time. In general, the constrained parking in the area will help reduce auto travel and encourage alternative modes of transportation to the area.

#### Loading

During the parking utilization study, the loading areas near the Site in the Municipal Lot #5 was also studied. The loading areas included the two large spaces adjacent to H-Mart and the two designated loading parking spaces along the south side of the lot. Delivery trips to the Site will be conducted by vehicles that are van sized or smaller so it is anticipated that the loading parking spaces will be the only ones that are needed to serve the Site. Observations indicate that this loading zone has capacity during the study times as shown in **Table 6.** 

Table 6. Loading Occupancy

| Street Name/Lot                        | Time       | Day         | Occupied<br>Spaces | Total<br>Spaces | %<br>Occupancy |  |
|--|------------|-------------|--------------------|-----------------|----------------|--|
| Municipal Lot 5 Loading Parking Spaces | 10:00 a.m. | Wednesday 0 |                    | 2               | 0%             |  |
|  | 12:00 p.m. | Wednesday   | Wednesday 0        |                 | 0%             |  |
|  | 3:00 p.m.  | Wednesday   | 2                  | 2               | 100%           |  |
|  | 5:00 p.m.  | Wednesday   | 2                  | 2               | 100%           |  |
|  | 7:00 p.m.  | Wednesday   | 0                  | 2               | 0%             |  |
|  | 12:00 p.m. | Saturday    | 0                  | 2               | 0%             |  |
|  | 3:00 p.m.  | Saturday    | 1                  | 2               | 50%            |  |
|  | 7:00 p.m.  | Saturday    | 0                  | 2               | 0%             |  |

## **Transportation Demand Management (TDM)**

The Applicant has made commitments to the City of Cambridge previously when filing for the 541 Massachusetts Avenue Registered Medical Dispensary (RMD) application. The Applicant remains committed to working with the City and encouraging alternative modes of transportation to access the Site. The Applicant has committed to or will commit to the following TDM measures to ensure that the potential impact to the surrounding roadways is minimized:

- Provide MBTA pass subsidies for employees;
- Provide Gold level BLUEbikes memberships to employees;
- Goal of hiring 100% Cambridge based employees to encourage non-vehicular commuting options:
- Provide 4 secure, long-term bicycle parking spaces for employees and provide a channel along stairs in the building to facilitate bringing bikes inside;
- Have an air pump and bicycle repair tools available for employees and customers;
- Provide lockers for employees that walk or bike to work;
- Provide a contribution of \$2,400 to the City to fund 3 bicycle racks around Central Square;
- Provide a contribution to the City to improve transit service and information in Central Square;
- Promote transit and bicycle options online and in marketing material to inform clients and employees of non-vehicular travel options;
- Designate a Transportation Coordinator (TC) to oversee and administer the implementation of TDM measures; and
- Conduct employee and customer mode share surveys to provide updates to the City on request for the ways people are traveling to the dispensary.

### **Opening Plan**

Prior to the opening date, the Applicant will furnish a detailed opening plan for management of the grand opening. As other dispensaries open prior to this Site, market conditions will dictate the level of management that is needed to ensure a smooth opening. Some measures that will be considered by the Applicant for the grand opening include:

- Appointment only scheduling;
- Marketing to caution customers against driving to the opening and making them aware of the non-vehicular options for coming to the Site;
- Police detail to manage the curb outside the Site; and
- Additional staff on Site to manage queues and process customers.

# Summary

Overall, the Project is expected to have a minimal impact on the surrounding roadways, particularly when the market is saturated. It is anticipated that another dispensary, 567 Massachusetts Avenue, will attempt to open in Central Square, further working to reduce the impact of this Project. The Applicant has already made several commitments for contributions to the City and will work to implement measures to reduce the number of customers that take private vehicles to the Site. Through the TDM program, the Applicant will incentivize employees to seek alternative commuting options that will not degrade neighborhood parking. Parking around the Site is well-utilized but there is availability at most times of the day, particularly in the Green Street Garage during the p.m. peak times. The proximity of the Site to the Central Square MBTA station and the availability of bicycle facilities will help lower vehicular demand to the Site. The attached Cannabis Retail Stores Summary Form (Appendix A) provides information and data detailed in the memo.

#### **Cannabis Retail Stores Summary Form**

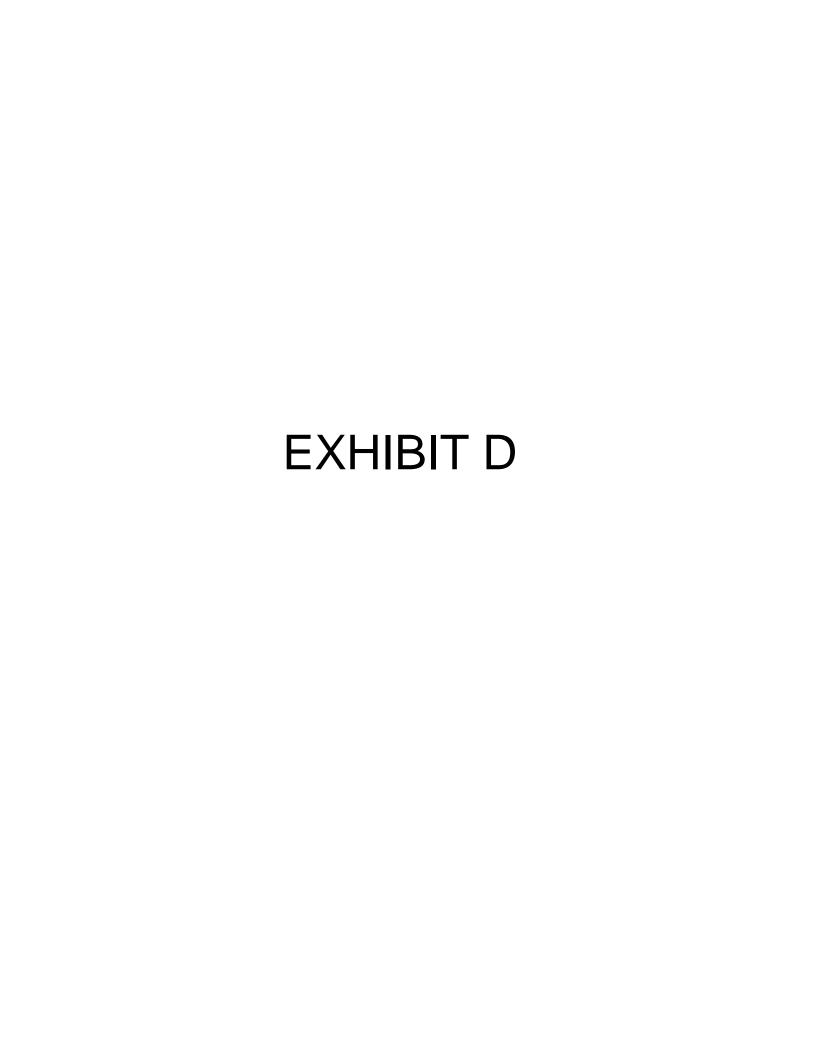
| Project Site:  |   |
|--|---|
| Store Address.   | 541 Massachusetts Avenue  |
| Total floor area of store (including sales, back of house, other). | 6,000 sf  |
| Retail sales area (including customer waiting areas).              | 3,500 sf  |
| Maximum customer capacity – sales area.                            | 92  |
| Maximum customer capacity – waiting area.                          | 0 (No designated waiting area – all queuing will occur within the sales area) |
| Employees:   |   |
| Number of full-time employees (total).                             | 25  |
| Number of part-time employees (total).                             | 0   |
| Maximum number of employees on-<br>site at one time.               | 20  |
| Employee mode shares:  | Based on aspirational goal of 100% employees living in Cambridge              |
| % single-occupancy vehicle (SOV) (including ride-hailing):         | 10%   |
| % high-occupancy vehicle (HOV):                                    | 10%   |
| % public transit:  | 50%   |
| % walk:  | 15%   |
| % bike:  | 15%   |
| % other:   | 0%  |
| <b>Customers:</b>  |   |
| Number of customers per day.                                       | 500   |
| Maximum number of customers expected at any one time.              | 75 peak hour  |
| Customer mode shares:  | See Table 2   |
| % single-occupancy vehicle (SOV) (including ride-hailing):         | 52%   |
| % high-occupancy vehicle (HOV):                                    | 0%  |
| % public transit:  | 29%   |

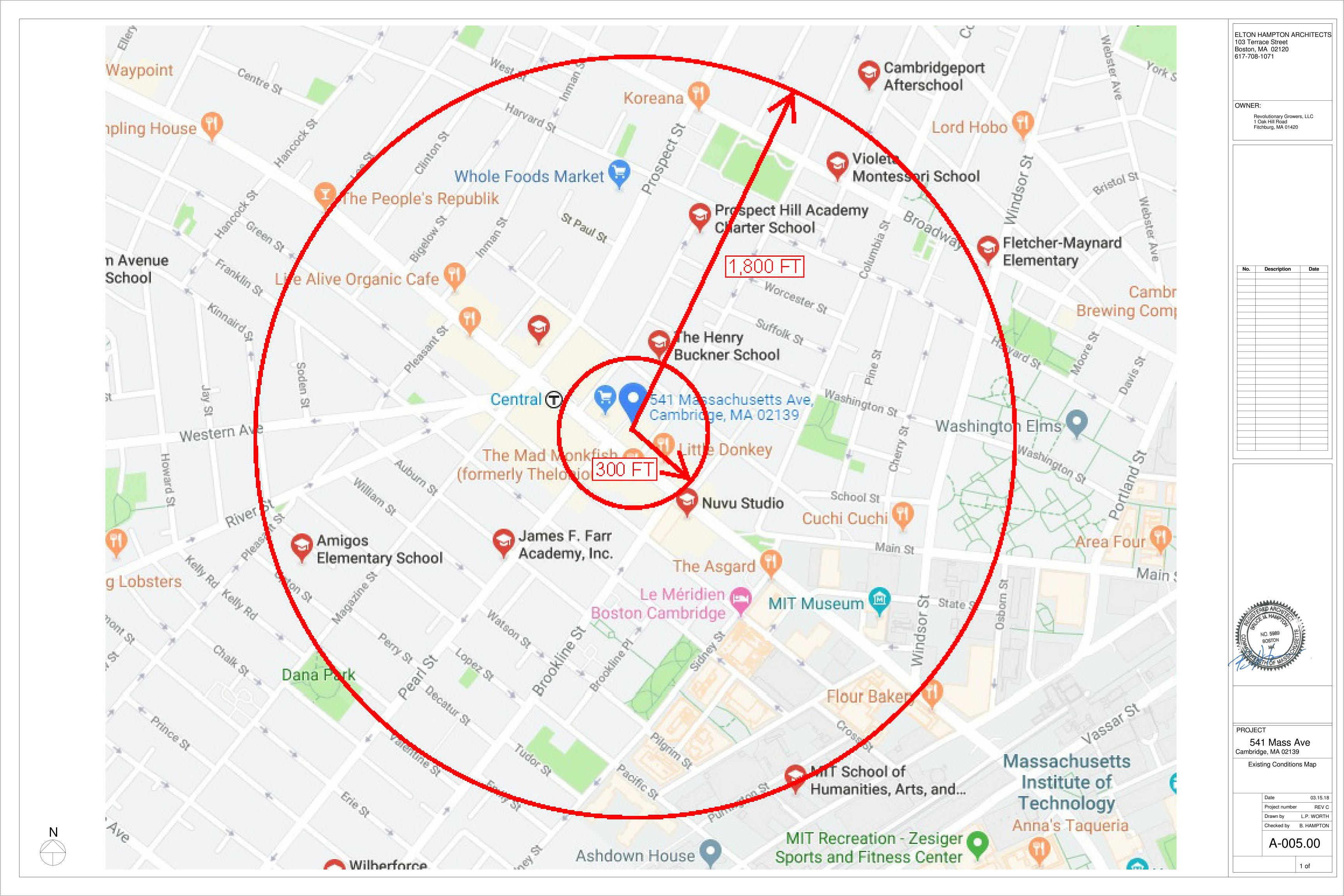


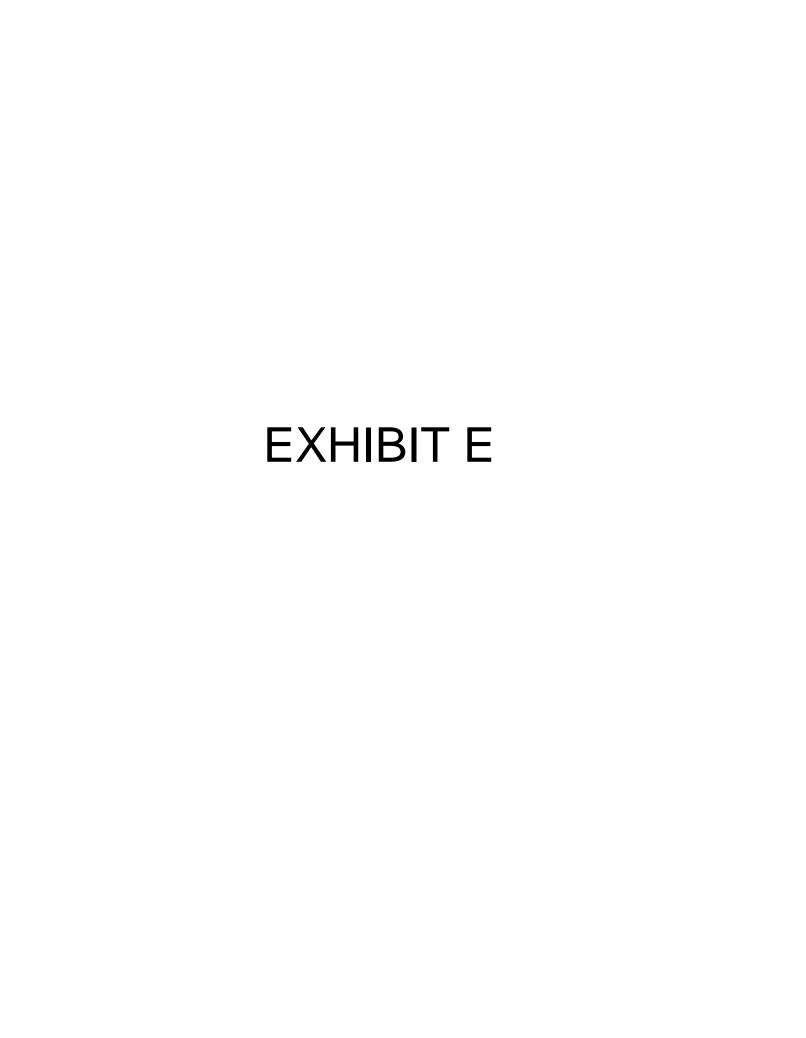
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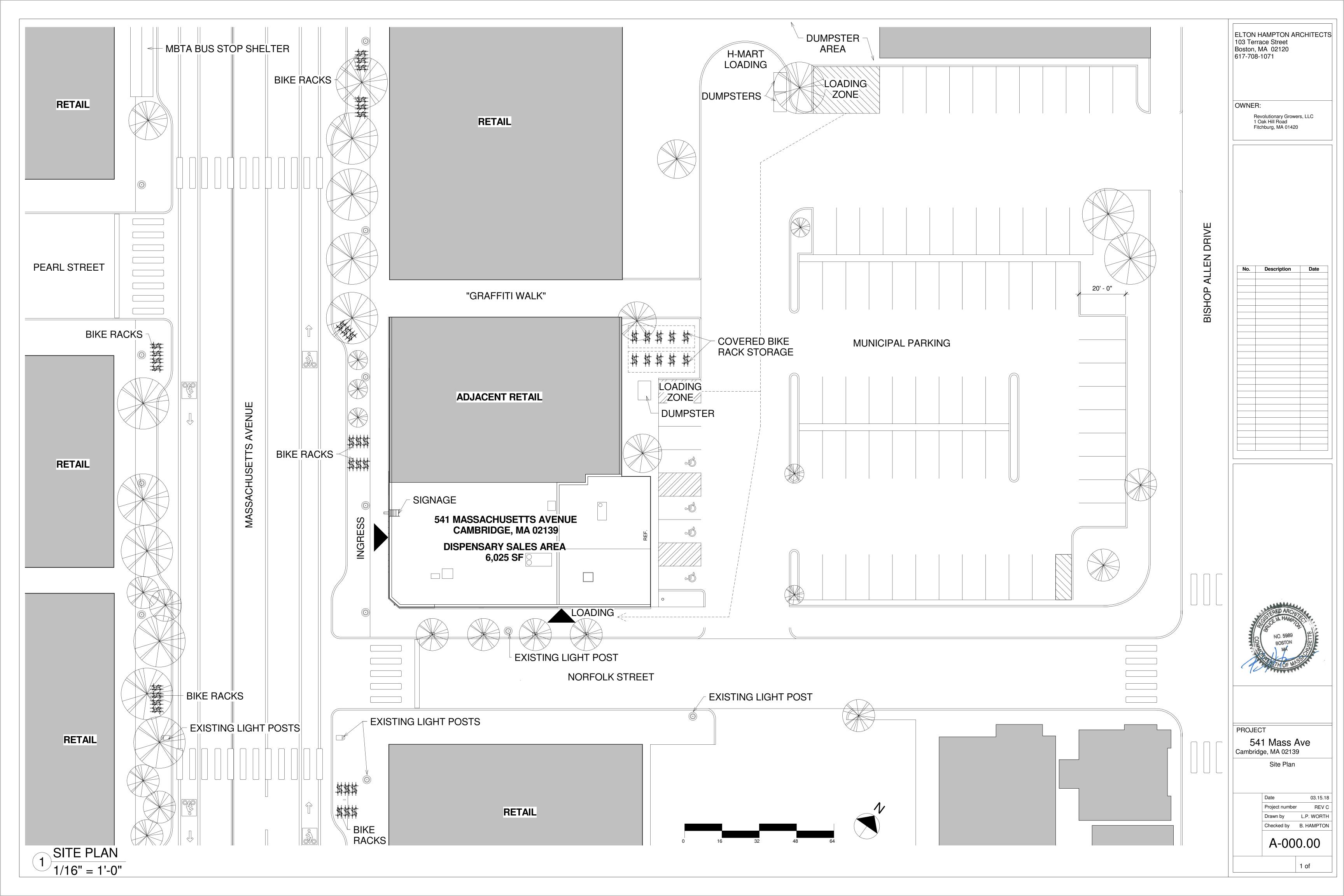
| % walk:   | 16%   |
|---|---|
| % bike:   | 3%  |
|   |   |
| % other:  | 0%  |
| Transit Availability:   |   |
| List the public transportation services within ¼ mile of the site, including type (subway, bus, bike share), walking distance, and frequency.   | See Site context figure and Table 1   |
| List the duration and frequency of public transit services for weekdays and weekends.   | See Table 1   |
| Auto Parking Availability:  |   |
| List public parking facilities within 500 feet of site (with addresses/locations, distance, and number of spaces) and parking occupancy for minimum one weekday (e.g., minimum 10 am, 12 pm, 3 pm, 5 pm, 7 pm), and minimum one Saturday (e.g., minimum noon, 3 pm and 7 pm). | See Table 4 and Table 5 in Memo   |
| Estimated peak parking demand needed for employees.   | 0   |
| Estimated peak parking demand for customers.  | 9-20  |
| Number of employee parking spaces on-site.  | 0   |
| Number of customer parking spaces on-site.  | 0   |
| Number of employee parking spaces off-site (describe location and distance from site).  | 0   |
| Number of customer parking spaces off-site (describe location and distance from site).  | 27-206 spaces depending on day and time, available on-street/garage parking within 500 ft of the Site |
| Bicycle Parking Availability:   |   |

| Number of Employee long-term bicycle parking spaces on the Project site.   | The Applicant is providing long-term bicycle parking space for 4 bikes within the Site  |           |         |         |           |         |         |  |  |
|--|---|-----------|---------|---------|-----------|---------|---------|--|--|
| Number of Customer short-term bicycle parking spaces on the Project site.  | 0 – The Applicant has committed to contribute \$2,400 to the City for bicycle racks in Central Square.  |           |         |         |           |         |         |  |  |
| Number of public bicycle parking spaces within 100 feet of the main entrance of the site.  | The Applicant is proposing to utilize the existing bicycle racks in front of the Site along Massachusetts Avenue and the covered racks behind the Site for customer short-term bicycle parking. (Approximately 31 bicycle racks within 100 ft of the main entrance) |           |         |         |           |         |         |  |  |
| Loading and Delivery:  |   |           |         |         |           |         |         |  |  |
| Address of proposed Loading and<br>Delivery Service Location (note<br>whether it is on-street or off-street).  | 84 Bishop Allen Drive – loading is proposed to occur in the 2 loading designated parking spaces along the south side of the lot   |           |         |         |           |         |         |  |  |
| List the types of loading and delivery trips that will service the site (e.g., product delivery, cash pick-up, refuse collection) and expected number of trips per week for each type. | Expected up to 4 loading/delivery trips per week consisting of 2 product deliveries and 2 cash pick-up  |           |         |         |           |         |         |  |  |
| Project Trip Generation:   |   |           |         |         |           |         |         |  |  |
| Daily, Morning and Evening Peak  |   | Employees |         |         | Customers |         |         |  |  |
| Hour Employees and Customer trip generation by mode.   |   | Daily     | Morning | Evening | Daily     | Morning | Evening |  |  |
|  | SOV   | 4         | 1       | 0       | 520       | 0       | 78      |  |  |
|  | HOV   | 4         | 0       | 0       | 0         | 0       | 0       |  |  |
|  | Transit   | 10        | 2       | 0       | 290       | 0       | 44      |  |  |
|  | Walk  | 6         | 0       | 0       | 160       | 0       | 24      |  |  |
|  | Bike  | 6         | 1       | 0       | 30        | 0       | 4       |  |  |
|  | Other   | 0         | 0       | 0       | 0         | 0       | 0       |  |  |













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Ms. Jayne Vining Cardiac Arrhythmia Syndromes Foundation, Inc. 9 Bartlet Street, Unit 335 Andover, MA 01810

Re:

Provisional Certificate of Registration for a Registered Marijuana Dispensary for a Dispensary in Cambridge (Third Street) and a Cultivation and Processing Facility in Fitchburg

Dear Ms. Vining:

Please be advised that Cardiac Arrhythmia Syndromes Foundation, Inc. has been selected to receive a Registered Marijuana Dispensary ("RMD") Provisional Certificate of Registration at its proposed Cambridge (Third Street) retail dispensary and Fitchburg cultivation and processing facility and to move forward to the Inspectional Phase. The issuance of this RMD Provisional Certificate of Registration is subject to the following ongoing conditions:

- 1. All dispensary agents and capital contributors shall be subject to a background check as set forth in the *Guidance for Registered Marijuana Dispensaries Regarding Background Checks* prior to commencing work as a dispensary agent or contributing funds to the RMD.
- 2. The RMD shall comply with the Humanitarian Medical Use of Marijuana Act, Ch. 369 of the Acts of 2012 (the "Act"), as implemented by Department of Public Health (the "Department") Regulations, 105 CMR 725.000, et seq. ("Regulations"), during the period of its provisional registration, except as expressly waived in writing by the Department pursuant to 105 CMR 725.700.
- 3. The RMD shall be subject to inspection and audit to ascertain compliance with any applicable law or regulation, including laws and regulations of the Commonwealth relating to taxes, child support, workers compensation, and professional and commercial insurance coverage.
- 4. The RMD shall be subject to inspection and audit to ascertain that the RMD is operating at all times in a manner not detrimental to public safety, health, or welfare.

- 5. The RMD shall be subject to inspection and audit to ascertain that its facilities are compliant with all applicable state and local codes, bylaws, ordinances and regulations.
- 6. The RMD shall be subject to inspection and audit to ascertain that it has sufficient financial resources to meet the requirements of the Act or 105 CMR 725.000, et seq.
- 7. The RMD shall cooperate with and provide information to Department inspectors, agents and employees upon request.
- 8. The RMD shall, as necessary, amend its bylaws to expressly require compliance with 725.100(A)(1) and the "Guidance for Registered Marijuana Dispensaries Regarding Non-Profit Compliance" by stating that the RMD shall "at all times operate on a non-profit basis for the benefit of registered qualifying patients" and shall "ensure that revenue of the RMD is used solely in furtherance of its nonprofit purpose." If the bylaws do not expressly include such requirement, they shall be amended within thirty days of the date of this letter and the amended bylaws shall be filed with the Department by mail at the above address and by email at RMDcompliance@state.ma.us.
- 9. The RMD shall keep current all information required by 105 CMR 725.000, et seq., or as otherwise required by the Department pursuant to 725.100(F)(4) and may not make certain changes without prior approval from the Department pursuant to 725.100(F)(1)-(3).
- 10. The RMD must submit payment of the registration fee required pursuant to 105 CMR 725.100(C)(1) and 801 CMR 4.02.

In the Inspections Phase, the Department will continue to verify, among other things, that the RMD will operate in compliance with the RMD operational requirements, see 105 CMR 725.105 (A)-(Q), and security requirements, see 105 CMR 725.110(A)-(F). Furthermore, the Department may impose other conditions that the Department determines necessary to ensure the RMD will operate in accordance with applicable Massachusetts laws and regulations.

Please be advised pursuant to 105 CMR 725.100(C)(1) the Department may issue a Final Certificate of Registration only after an applicant has successfully completed the Inspections Phase and the Department has issued final approval.

Please mail the enclosed remittance form with a bank/cashier's check in the amount of \$50,000 payable to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts within thirty (30) days of the date of this letter to:

Department of Public Health Medical Use of Marijuana Program RMD Registration 99 Chauncy Street, 11<sup>th</sup> Floor Boston, MA 02111 After the registration fee is processed, this letter shall serve as Cardiac Arrhythmia Syndromes Foundation, Inc.'s Provisional Certificate of Registration with the aforementioned conditions. The Department will continue to verify all information provided by the RMD, and that the RMD is compliant with applicable Massachusetts law and regulations. It is within the Department's discretion to revoke this Provisional Certificate of Registration at any time.

Should you have any questions, please contact the Department at RMDcompliance@state.ma.us.

Sincerely,

Eric Sheehan, J.D Bureau Director

Bureau of Health Care Safety and Quality Massachusetts Department of Public Health



Governor

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May 10, 2018

BY U.S. MAIL AND E-MAIL

Ms. Jennifer K. Crawford Revolutionary Clinics II, Inc. 9 Bartlet Street, Unit 335 Andover, MA 01810

Re: Approval to Change the Location of a Registered Marijuana Dispensary Site

Dear Ms. Crawford:

Please be advised that Revolutionary Clinics II, Inc. has been approved to relocate its Registered Marijuana Dispensary ("RMD") retail dispensary site from 229-231 Third Street, Cambridge, MA to 541 Massachusetts Avenue, Cambridge, MA. The issuance of this approval is subject to the following ongoing conditions:

- 1. The RMD shall comply with all conditions listed in the Provisional Certificate of Registration issued to Revolutionary Clinics II, Inc. on June 2, 2017.
- 2. The RMD shall submit all documents required for Architectural Review.

The Department will continue to verify all information provided by the RMD, and that the RMD is compliant with applicable Massachusetts law and regulations. It is within the Department's discretion to revoke this approval at any time.

Should you have any questions, please contact the Department at <a href="mailto:RMDcompliance@state.ma.us">RMDcompliance@state.ma.us</a>.

Sincerely,

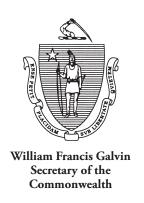
Bryan Harter, MBA, LICSW

Director

Medical Use of Marijuana Program

Bureau of Health Care Safety and Quality

Massachusetts Department of Public Health



# The Commonwealth of Massachusetts Secretary of the Commonwealth State House, Boston, Massachusetts 02133

Date: August 15, 2019

To Whom It May Concern:

I hereby certify that according to the records of this office,

# REVOLUTIONARY CLINICS II, INC.

commonwealth of Massachusetts. I further certify that there are no proceedings presently pending under the Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 156D section 14.21 for said corporation's dissolution; that articles of dissolution have not been filed by said corporation; that, said corporation has filed all annual reports, and paid all fees with respect to such reports, and so far as appears of record said corporation has legal existence and is in good standing with this office.



In testimony of which,
I have hereunto affixed the
Great Seal of the Commonwealth
on the date first above written.

Secretary of the Commonwealth

William Travin Galetin

Certificate Number: 19080290010

Verify this Certificate at: http://corp.sec.state.ma.us/CorpWeb/Certificates/Verify.aspx

Processed by:

#### Packet 1: Application of Intent

The Application of Intent packet is intended to provide the Commission with information about the Marijuana Establishment, including:

• Who is the marijuana-establishment applicant?

o The applicant may be an individual or several individuals. Individuals required to be named in the application include executives, managers, and close associates, as well as any person or entity who will contribute 10% of more of the initial capital to operate the Marijuana Establishment. The list must include any individual with direct or indirect authority over business policies, cultivation operations or security operations because these are individuals the Commission is likely to interact with over the term of the license. Individuals listed on the application also must disclose their individual interest in any Marijuana Establishment application for licensure or licensee, as well as their past or present business interests, including marijuana-related business interests, in other states.

• How is the business organized?

o Applicants must provide proof that the business is registered to do business in Massachusetts. Certificates providing proof of business incorporation may be requested online from the Corporations Division of the Secretary of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts at http://www.sec.state.ma.us. Please note that as part of the third packet, or the Management and Operations Profile, applicants will need to provide a copy of the articles or organization and bylaws, as well as certificates of good standing from the Massachusetts Department of Revenue and the Corporations Division of the Secretary of the Commonwealth's office.

• How will the Marijuana Establishment be funded?

o Applicants are required to document the amounts and sources of capital that will be used to fund the Marijuana Establishment, and certify that all funds used to invest in or finance the Marijuana Establishment were or will be lawfully obtained. They are not required to provide proof of a specific amount of available funding to operate the establishment.

o Applicants must also show access to adequate funding to dismantle and wind down a Marijuana Establishment. This may be shown by providing proof of a financial guarantee bond or other escrowed amount of money. Massachusetts does not require a financial guarantee bond or escrow funds in a specific amount. However, the applicant will be required to explain why the amount is adequate to dismantle and wind down the particular Marijuana Establishment.

#### MANAGEMENT TEAM

#### Robert M. Bohlen - Founder, Chairman, and Class A Manager

Robert Bohlen is one of the founders of the Company and serves as the Company's Chairman of the Board. Mr. Bohlen is a serial entrepreneur with broad business experience ranging from agricultural to manufacturing companies in a wide variety of industries throughout his prolific business career. Mr. Bohlen was recognized as being one of the most productive real estate agents of all time; selling over 10,000 residential and commercial properties worth over \$4 billion. Mr. Bohlen provides strategic guidance to the Company's management as well as serves in a business development role. Mr. Bohlen received a bachelor's degree from the University of Illinois when he played basketball on a scholarship. Mr. Bohlen is a prolific art collector with his collections being showcased in major museums across the United States.

# Keith W. Cooper - Class A Manager and CEO

Keith Cooper serves as one of the Class A Managers on the Company's Board of Managers as well as serves as the Company's Chief Executive Officer. Mr. Cooper is a serial entrepreneur that has led six companies to successful exits. Prior to joining the Company, Mr. Cooper was CEO of Constant Therapy ("CT"), a company revolutionizing the treatment of neurological disorders using science-based digital therapy on mobile devices. CT was acquired by a private equity firm in 2017. Prior to CT, Mr. Cooper was CEO of Connotate (web Big Data aggregation company), President of Carbonite (#9 on the Inc. 500 list, Best Places To Work in Boston, Most Innovative Companies in New England, IPO on NASDAQ in 2011), CEO of webHancer (acquired by Microsoft), CEO of FaxNet (acquired by Critical Path) and GM of Trans National Communications (#12 on the Inc. 500 list). A graduate of Harvard Business School (1988) and Harvard College (1983, President of the Harvard Rugby Club), Keith lives in Wayland, Massachusetts, is married, and has two young adult sons.

#### Lillian Montalto – Founder and Class A Manager

Lillian Montalto is one of the founders and serves as one of the Class A Managers on the Company's Board of Managers and provides strategic insight with regards to real estate matters and overall strategies of the Company. Ms. Montalto is the founder, broker, and principal of Lillian Montalto Signature Properties in Andover Massachusetts and has vast real estate experience. For the past nineteen years, Ms. Montalto has been recognized as the number one real estate agent in New England and has been a keynote speaker at the National Association of Realtors Annual Conference as well as numerous Real Estate and Business seminars around the world, including Bali, Canada, Australia, New Zealand, South Africa, and the United States.

# Tyler Richards - Class B Manager

Tyler Richards is one of the founders of the Company and was instrumental in the selection of the Fitchburg Facility. After the facility was acquired, Mr. Richards played a key role in overseeing its extensive build out. Mr. Richards also played a pivotal role in developing a demographic model based on a wide variety of factors that were used to narrow the Company's focus on the most desirable areas to locate its dispensaries. Mr. Richards is active in the commercial real estate market and has extensive construction management experience. His experience in the nuances of the Massachusetts licensed marijuana industry compliments his ability to plan and select the best sites for the Company. Mr. Richards received a B.A. degree in Construction Management from the University of Massachusetts at Amherst.

#### G. Ryan Ansin - Founder, Class C Manager, and Chief Strategy Officer

Ryan Ansin is a serial entrepreneur that has been involved in the cannabis industry for over four years and is one of the founders of the Company. Mr. Ansin has traveled all over the US and Europe searching for the latest technology in the cannabis industry. He has led the selection of the technology that has been deployed in the Company's state-of-the-art cultivation facility in Fitchburg Massachusetts, as well as more broadly throughout the organization's operations. Mr. Ansin is active in all aspects of the business and has taken the lead in procuring private capital for expansion of the Company as well as assessing the financial climate for cannabis stocks on an industry-wide basis. Mr. Ansin is President of Greenwich-based Family Office Association and has built a portfolio of early and growth-stage investments in technology, real estate, biotech, ethical fashion, and cannabis.

#### **Bradley Miller – Chief Financial Officer**

Brad Miller is a finance executive with thirty years of experience leading medium-sized to large organizations through periods of rapid growth and transformation. Mr. Miller's expertise spans finance, administration, M&A, corporate strategy, treasury, operations, systems, and information technology. He has led the finance organization in four public companies and four private-equity backed technology companies. He has led four successful exits with a total value exceeding \$2 billion. Most recently, Mr. Miller served as the CFO of PeopleFluent, which was acquired by Learning Technologies Group, Ltd., a publicly traded company in the UK. Mr. Miller began his career as a CPA at Coopers & Lybrand and has received degrees from the College of William & Mary and the University of New Hampshire.

#### Mindaugas Maciulis - Chief Operating Officer

Min comes to Revolutionary Clinics from Kohler Company where he recently managed logistics of Kitchen and Bath Products overseeing multiple Distribution Centers throughout the US totaling over 4 million SQ FT, \$10M daily revenue, and distributing over 200,000 different skus. Prior to Kohler, Min led numerous operations teams at a leading global logistics company DHL Supply Chain where he was responsible for day to day operations for companies such as Philips, Medtronic, and Proctor & Gamble. Min's expertise in operations, ISO standards, lean tools, and management of diverse teams led to his nomination for Supply Chain Executive Seminar at Michigan State University, which he completed in 2018. Min is excited to join the team where he plans to bring his expertise in Operations and Supply Chain Management by continuing to scale the company and bringing new products to market.

#### Thomas Schneider - Chief Marketing Officer

Tom Schneider is a marketing executive with twenty-five years of experience in building companies through branding and delivering integrated marketing ecosystems and business strategies for midsize to Fortune 500 companies. Mr. Schneider believes that great marketing should be steeped in customer and competitor insights, to create the brand, drive awareness, generate leads, develop new business and inevitably guide product evolution. Before joining Revolutionary Clinics, Mr. Schneider founded and sold three marketing agencies, and, most recently, was Chief Marketing Officer of Target Logistics, a multinational provider of workforce housing. In 2013, Target Logistics was named one of America's fastest-growing private companies by Inc. Magazine at #194 on the list of 5,000, with a three-year growth rate of 2,131%. Mr. Schneider and his partners drove the value of the company from \$25 million to a total acquisition value of \$625 million in three years.

# **Christine Champagne – Director of Cultivation**

Christine Champagne is a Cultivation/Production Specialist and has been involved in the Green Industry for more than 30 years with a primary focus on improving plant propagation that improves plant growth rates, yields, and quality while reducing both labor and other production costs. Ms. Champagne has developed training courses and methodologies and has implemented them with industry leaders, with increased production output and quality while simultaneously lowering production unit costs. Ms. Champagne takes an integrated product management approach that incorporates standard production procedures at all touch points of the production cycle.

#### Shaka Ramsay - Vice President of Retail Operations

Shaka Ramsay has been a leader in Boston retail for twenty years, working with established brands to drive business to greater heights, and leading the way into new markets by using his unique ability to identify, predict and create trends. During his tenure as Creative Director for The Tannery and Concepts, Mr. Ramsay vaulted The Tannery into top-five rankings nationally for independent retailers and led Concepts to international expansion and an Independent Retailer of the Year award. Mr. Ramsay also has an extensive background in luxury fashion and retail, having held leadership positions in companies such as Louis Vuitton, Jimmy Choo, and Gucci. He launched his own concept store, which combined fashion, food, and art, to great critical acclaim, receiving five "Best of Boston" awards.

# Dan Gillan - Vice President of Extraction Department

A native of Massachusetts, Dan Gillan has been working in the regulated cannabis industry in both California and Massachusetts since 2016 with a hyper-focus in leading cannabis extraction techniques and MIP manufacturing. Previous to starting and operating a California cannabis business, Gillan founded and operated a Boston based media production company, which developed his passion for entrepreneurial endeavors. In 2013, a motor vehicle accident left Gillan in critical condition with four broken vertebrae in his spine. Cannabis has been a huge part of his journey to healing and ignited a new passion. Gillan

| dedication to helping people, combined with his expertise in cannabis science, personal story, and his entrepreneurial spirit, makes him a perfect fit in this rapidly emerging industry. |
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# **Community Engagement Summary**

On Wednesday, April 24, 2019, Revolutionary Clinics II, LLC hosted a community outreach meeting at La Fabrica Restaurant located at 450 Massachusetts Avenue, from 6:00 p.m. until 9:00 pm.

Approximately 25-30 neighbors attended the meeting during which a presentation was made to discuss the application for a Special Permit for an Adult-Use Marijuana Retailer license at 541 Massachusetts Avenue (the "Premises") pursuant to 935 CMR 500.101 and other applicable laws and regulations promulgated thereunder, including those promulgated thereunder by the Cannabis Control Commission. The presentation included graphics, elevations, floor plans and security systems plans.

The information that was information that was presented at the Community Outreach Meeting included, but was not limited to:

- The type(s) of Adult-Use Marijuana Establishment to be located at the Premises;
- Information adequate to demonstrate that the Adult-Use Marijuana Establishment location will be maintained securely;
- Steps to be taken by the Adult-Use Marijuana Establishment to prevent Diversion to minors;
- A plan by Adult-Use Marijuana Establishment to positively impact the community; and
- Information adequate to demonstrate that the location will not constitute a nuisance to the community by noise, odor, dust, glare, fumes, vibration, heat or other conditions likely to cause nuisance.

Community members and attendees were encouraged to ask questions and did receive answers from representatives of RevC2. Many neighbors wondered why the political process had taken so long to allow any adult-use dispensaries open in the City of Cambridge. Others wanted to hear how the proposal would impact traffic and parking, whether there would be an increase in crime or public consumption of marijuana, and what the existing structure would ultimately look like after construction is completed and if the public could simply gain entrance to the site. Several wanted to know if RevC2 was allowed to co-locate, would that mean that medical patients were given priority and preferential treatment.

It was explained that the adult use ordinance has been the subject of much discussion among the office of the City Manager, City Solicitor, the City Council and CDD staff and that many public hearings had been conducted to determine the language to be included in the final adult use ordinance. Attendees were pleased with the security systems summary and the data points that demonstrate in other communities where there are existing dispensaries such as Brookline and Salem, there has been no uptick in criminal activity, but rather, the data shows a decrease in so-called nuisance crimes because of the heavy security presence of this use.

Keith Cooper, the CEO of RevC2, explained that the reason he was initially attracted to the marijuana business is that the medical product provides help to patients in need. However, a secondary aspect of the legalization of this product is that it allows the government to enact a regulatory framework around the industry that will provide impact fees, set tax rates, impose conditions that prevent diversion and standards that insure safety. Ultimately, Mr. Cooper explained, if the industry develops properly, then the black market could be eradicated along with all of the attendant social harms.

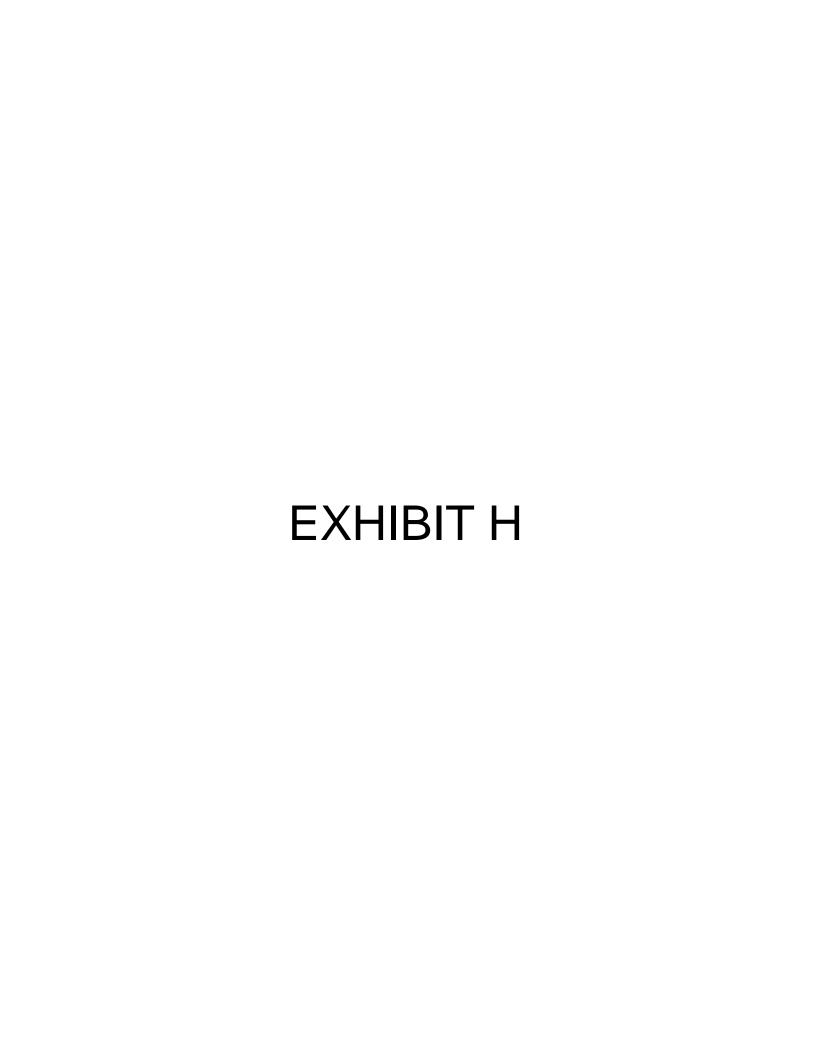
Other community members wanted to know how many dispensaries will ultimately be permitted in the City of Cambridge. It was explained that there are presently 6 medical-only Special Permits that have been issued and it is an open question as to how many of those dispensaries will be allowed to co-locate and provide cannabis products for adult use. It was also explained that according to state statute, the city must allow no less 20% of the total number of 40 retail package store licenses, or 8 dispensaries.

Several neighbors stayed after the presentation and inquired individually about employment opportunities. RevC2 has coordinated interviews with those neighbors and looks forward to having them as part of the work force at this proposed dispensary.

A copy of the Community Outreach Meeting Notice was sent to the Cambridge Panning Board, the Cambridge Public Health Department and was placed on file with the Cambridge City Clerk at City hall located at 795 Massachusetts Avenue, Cambridge, MA 02139. This Notice was also mailed seven (7) calendar days prior to the community outreach meeting to the abutters of 541 Massachusetts Avenue, the proposed address of the Marijuana Establishment, to the owners of land directly opposite on

any public or private street or way, and to abutters to the abutters within three hundred (300) feet of the property line of the project as they appeared on the most recent applicable tax list, notwithstanding that the land of any such owner is located in another city or town.

Finally, RevC2 and its representatives have had countless meetings with city officials, elected, department heads and individual neighborhood associations during the past 3 years and will continue to meet and discuss this proposal throughout this process.



QLess (<u>www.qless.com</u>) is a queue management system currently being utilized by Garden Remedies and is an elegant solution for keeping the sidewalks around our Cambridge dispensaries line free.



QLess queue management software will enable Revolutionary Clinics the ability to:

1) Manage appointment setting for our Adult Use customers.

Using their FlexAppointments feature:

- Customers book an appointment for a future day and time. Text and email reminders are sent to the customer reducing no-shows.
- At the same time, we will be able to accept walk-ins as schedule openings occur. QLess automatically puts an appointment holder first in line for a given time slot. FlexAppointments always take priority for the time slot that has been booked no matter how long the queue.
- This interactive appointment scheduling solution offers bi-directional communication connecting our staff
  with our customers. For example, on the day of an appointment, if a customer is running late, they can
  request more time. Likewise, our staff can notify the customer if our appointments are running behind
  schedule
- 2) Manage our **walk-in queue** for both Medical and Adult Use customers that are not looking to set a specific appointment time.

Using this queue management tool:

 As customers come in, they share their mobile phone number, and are sent a text with a personal wait time forecast.

- Timely updates and notifications alert customers as they get closer to the front of the queue.
- Accurate wait times keep them in the loop so they're free to visit other local businesses, instead of waiting in line or a crowded lobby.

QLess serves a diverse range of industries across government, <u>higher education</u>, <u>healthcare</u>, <u>retail</u>, and <u>logistics</u> – and offers an effective, convenient queue management solution to schedule appointments and manage lines for a superior customer experience, lower costs, reduced walk-aways, and access to key data.

#### OWNERSHIP CERTIFICATE

My Commission expires:

Project Address: 541 Mass Ave, Cambridge

This form is to be completed by the property owner, signed, and submitted with the Special Permit Application: I hereby authorize the following Applicant: Revolutionary Clinics II, Inc. at the following address: 9 Bartlet St, #335, Andover, MA 01810 to apply for a special permit for: Co-located Retail Cannabis Store pursuant to Section 11.800 on premises located at: 541 Mass Ave, Cambridge, MA 02139 for which the record title stands in the name of: 545-565 Mass Ave LLC whose address is: 585 Mass Ave, Cambridge, MA 02139 by a deed duly recorded in the: Registry of Deeds of County: Book: Page: Middlesex OR Registry District of the Land Court, 24 1160 Certificate No.: Book: 1349 Page: Signature of Land Owner (If authorized Trustee, Officer or Agent, so identify) To be completed by Notary Public: Commonwealth of Massachusetts, County of The above named Morn's Naggar personally appeared before me, on the month, day and year Ept 11, 2019 and made oath that the above statement is true.

Application Date: 9/11/19

My Commission Expires