

KNOXVILLE/KNOX COUNTY METROPOLITAN PLANNING COMMISSION USE ON REVIEW REPORT

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| | | AGENDA DATE: 6/12/2014 | | | |
| ۲ | APPLICANT: | UNIVERSITY OF TENNESSEE RESEARCH FOUNDATION | | | |
| | OWNER(S): | The University of Tennessee Research Foundation | | | |
| | TAX ID NUMBER: | 108 PART OF PARCEL 001 | | | |
| | JURISDICTION: | City Council District 1 | | | |
| | STREET ADDRESS: | 1717 Alcoa Hwy | | | |
| ► | LOCATION: | West side of Alcoa Highway, north of Cherokee Trail. | | | |
| ► | APPX. SIZE OF TRACT: | 1.6 acres | | | |
| | SECTOR PLAN: | South County | | | |
| | GROWTH POLICY PLAN: | Urban Growth Area (Inside City Limits) | | | |
| | ACCESSIBILITY: | Access is via Alcoa Hwy., an expressway facility with a six lane divided median section within a 175' right-of-way. | | | |
| | UTILITIES: | Water Source: Knoxville Utilities Board | | | |
| | | Sewer Source: Knoxville Utilities Board | | | |
| | WATERSHED: | Tennessee River | | | |
| ۲ | ZONING: | BP-1 (Business and Technology Park) | | | |
| ► | EXISTING LAND USE: | Vacant land | | | |
| ۲ | PROPOSED USE: | Office Building | | | |
| | HISTORY OF ZONING: | Property was rezoned to BP-1 (Business and Technology Park) by Knoxville City Council on April 2, 2013. | | | |
| | SURROUNDING LAND USE AND ZONING: | North: Tennessee River / F-1 (Floodway) | | | |
| | | South: Golf training facility / BP-1 (Business and Technology Park) & A-1 (General Agricultural) | | | |
| | | East: Alcoa Hwy. and University of Tennessee Medical Center / A-1 (General Agricultural) & O-2 (Civic and Institutional) | | | |
| | | West: Tennessee River / F-1 (Floodway) | | | |
| | NEIGHBORHOOD CONTEXT: | Research Business Park under development | | | |

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

APPROVE the request for an office building with approximately 55,291 square feet as shown on the development plan subject to 7 conditions

1. Connection to sanitary sewer and meeting any other relevant requirements of the Knox County Health Department.

2. Obtaining a variance for the parking lot driveway that is located directly across from Osprey Vista Way at the intersection of Osprey Vista Way and Accelerator Way.

3. Providing a crosswalk on Accelerator Way between the sidewalks connecting the two parking lots.

4. Providing the design plans for the water quality system for the entire subdivision to the Knoxville

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Department of Engineering for their review and approval, prior to obtaining a building permit for this site.

5. Meeting all applicable requirements of the Knoxville Department of Engineering.

6. Providing a copy of a recorded lease agreement for the off-site parking lot, meeting the requirements of Article 5, Section 7.A.2.a of the Knoxville Zoning Ordinance, prior to obtaining an occupancy permit for the office building.

7. Meeting all applicable requirements of the Knoxville Zoning Ordinance.

With the conditions noted, this plan meets the requirements for approval of a use on review in the BP-1 district

COMMENTS:

The applicant is proposing to build a three story office building with 55,291 square feet on a 1.6 acre lot locatec at the Cherokee Farm Innovation Campus. This site was rezoned to BP-1 (Business and Technology Park) by Knoxville City Council on April 2, 2013. The BP-1 zoning district requires use on review approval by the Planning Commission for this proposed development. Based on a leasable floor area of 47,500 square, 190 parking spaces are required for this site. The required parking is being provided in two parking lots. There will be 74 parking spaces located on the lot with the building. There will be 116 spaces located in a parking lot on the east side of Accelerator Way directly across from the lot. In the proposed master plan for the Cherokee Farm Innovation Campus, a parking garage will eventually replace the surface parking lot on the east side of Accelerator Way.

The BP-1 zoning district allows the Planning Commission to approve an overall development plan or master plan for the district. Once approved, administrative review and approval can be granted for development of individual sites by the Planning Commission Staff. It is the intent of the applicant to submit a master plan for approval by the Planning Commission in a couple of months.

Access to the site is currently off of Alcoa Hwy with one southbound location and two northbound locations. The applicant has been working with the Tennessee Department of Transportation (TDOT) and the University of Tennessee Medical Center on the redesign of the interchange serving this area. The applicant submitted a Traffic Impact Analysis to Staff for review with this application. Based on the analysis, it has been determined that the existing street network will continue to function at acceptable levels of service with this proposed development. The Traffic Impact Analysis will be further evaluated with the submission of the master plan in order to establish benchmarks for future updates. The results of the analysis and timing of any required street improvements may impact the timing and occupancy of any future business development.

EFFECT OF THE PROPOSAL ON THE SUBJECT PROPERTY, SURROUNDING PROPERTIES AND THE COMMUNITY AS A WHOLE

1. Public water and sewer utilities are available to serve the site.

2. The proposed development is consistent with other development in the area.

CONFORMITY OF THE PROPOSAL TO CRITERIA ESTABLISHED BY THE KNOX COUNTY ZONING ORDINANCE

1. With the recommended conditions, the proposal meets all requirements of the BP-1 zoning as well as the general criteria for approval of a use on review.

2. The proposed office development is consistent with the following general standards for uses permitted on review: The proposal is consistent with the adopted plans and policies of the General Plan and Sector Plan. The use is in harmony with the general purpose and intent of the Zoning Ordinance. The use is compatible with the character of the neighborhood where it is proposed. The use will not significantly injure the value of adjacent property. The use will not draw substantial additional traffic through residential areas since the development is located along a major arterial street. No surrounding land uses will pose a hazard or create and unsuitable environment for the proposed use.

CONFORMITY OF THE PROPOSAL TO ADOPTED MPC PLANS

1. The South County Sector Plan proposes civic/institutional uses for the site.

2. The site is located within the Urban Growth Area on the Knoxville-Knox County-Farragut Growth Policy Plar map.

ESTIMATED TRAFFIC IMPACT: 845 (average daily vehicle trips)

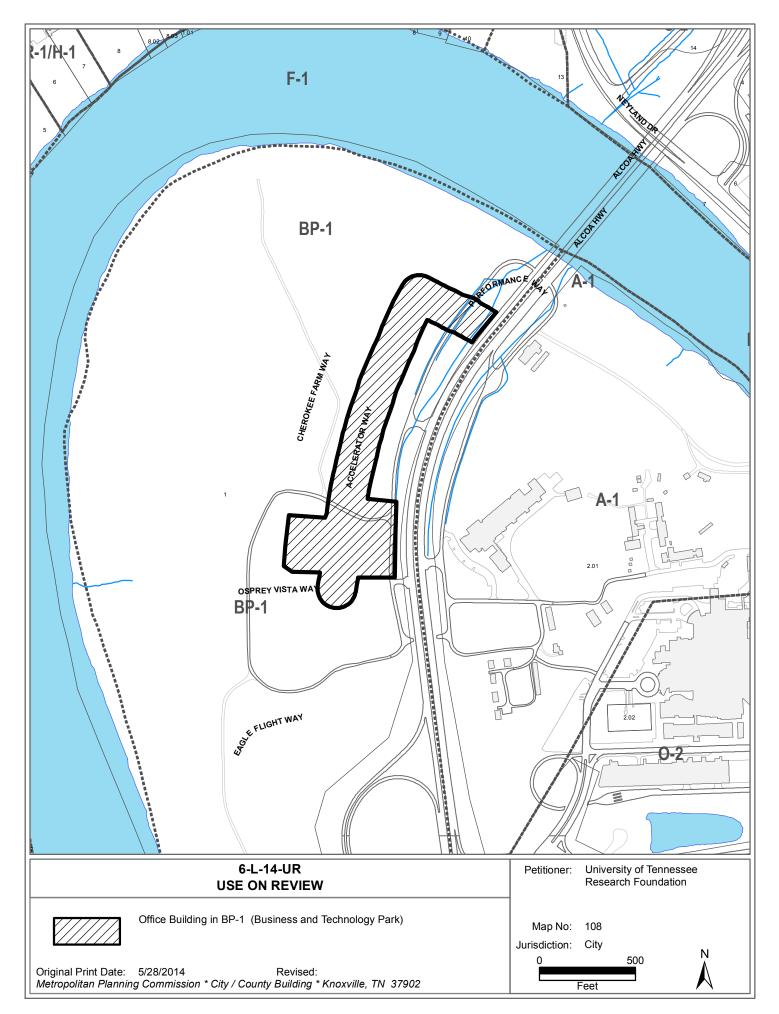
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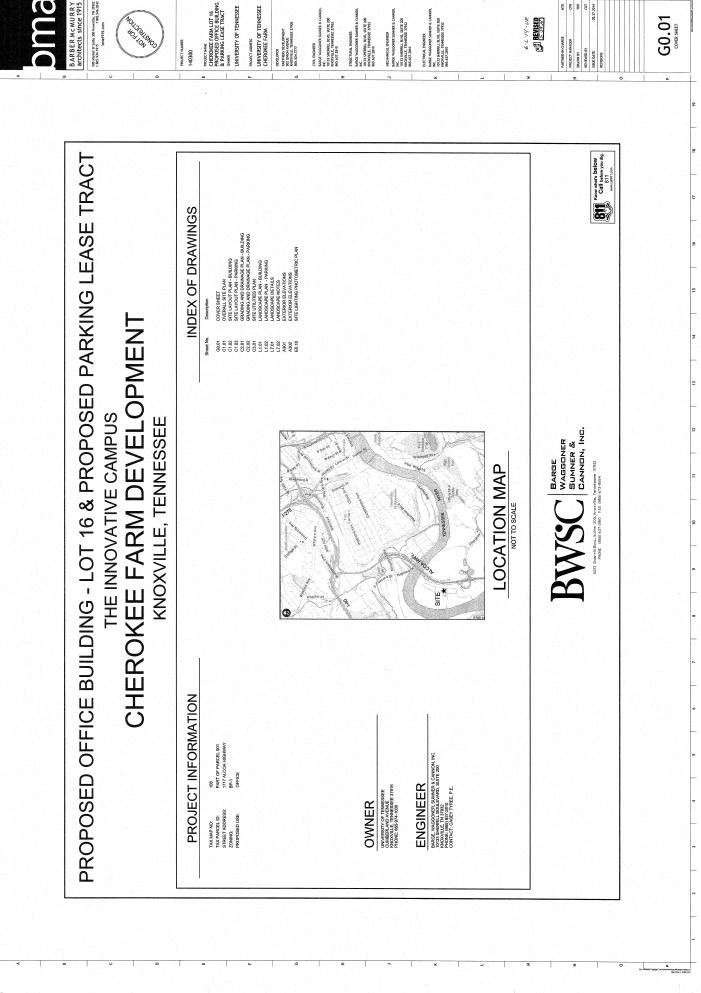
Average Daily Vehicle Trips are computed using national average trip rates reported in the latest edition of "Trip Generation," published by the Institute of Transportation Engineers. Average Daily Vehicle Trips represent the total number of trips that a particular land use can be expected to generate during a 24-hour day (Monday through Friday), with a "trip" counted each time a vehicle enters or exits a proposed development.

ESTIMATED STUDENT YIELD: Not applicable.

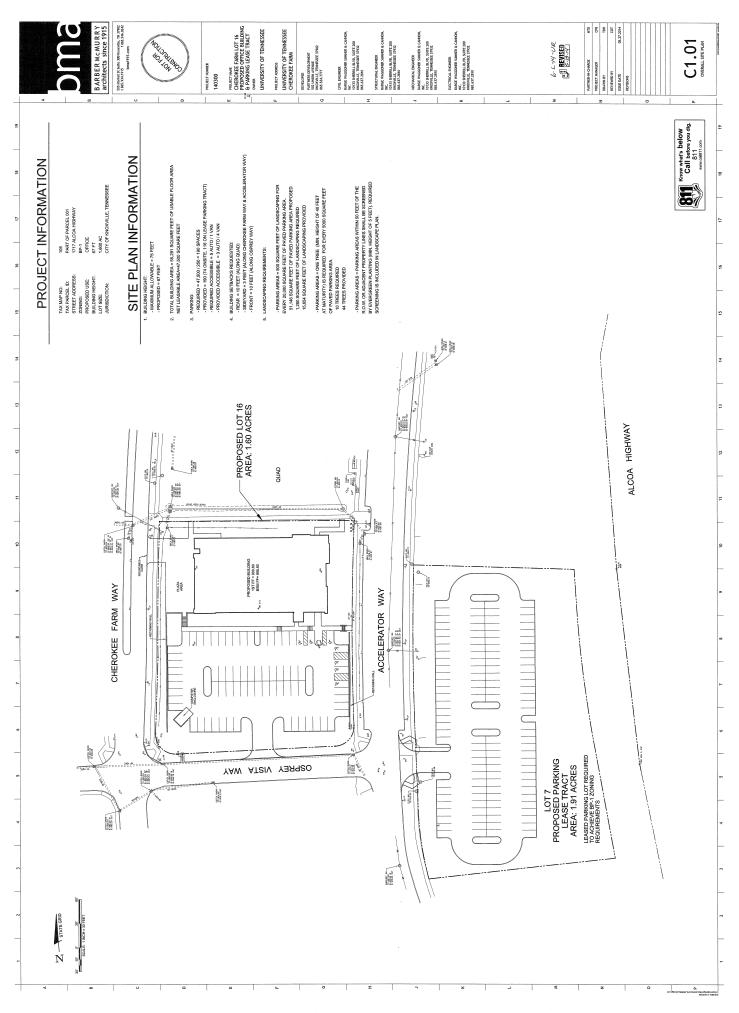
MPC's approval or denial of this request is final, unless the action is appealed to the Knoxville City Council. The date of the Knoxville City Council hearing will depend on when the appeal application is filed. Appellants have 15 days to appeal an MPC decision in the City.

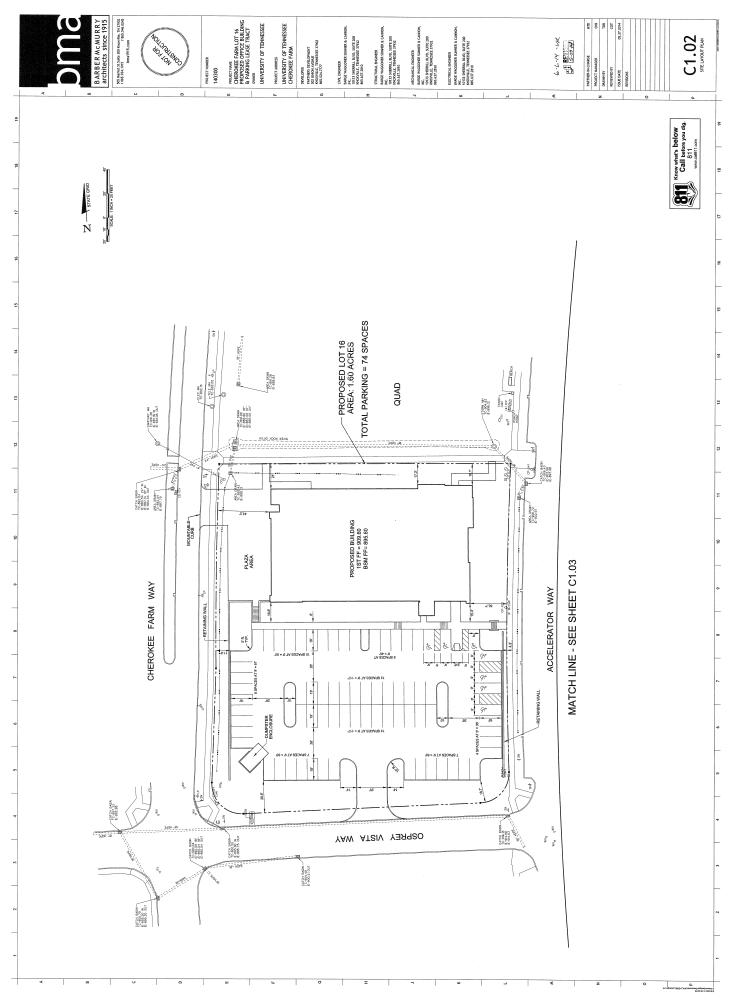
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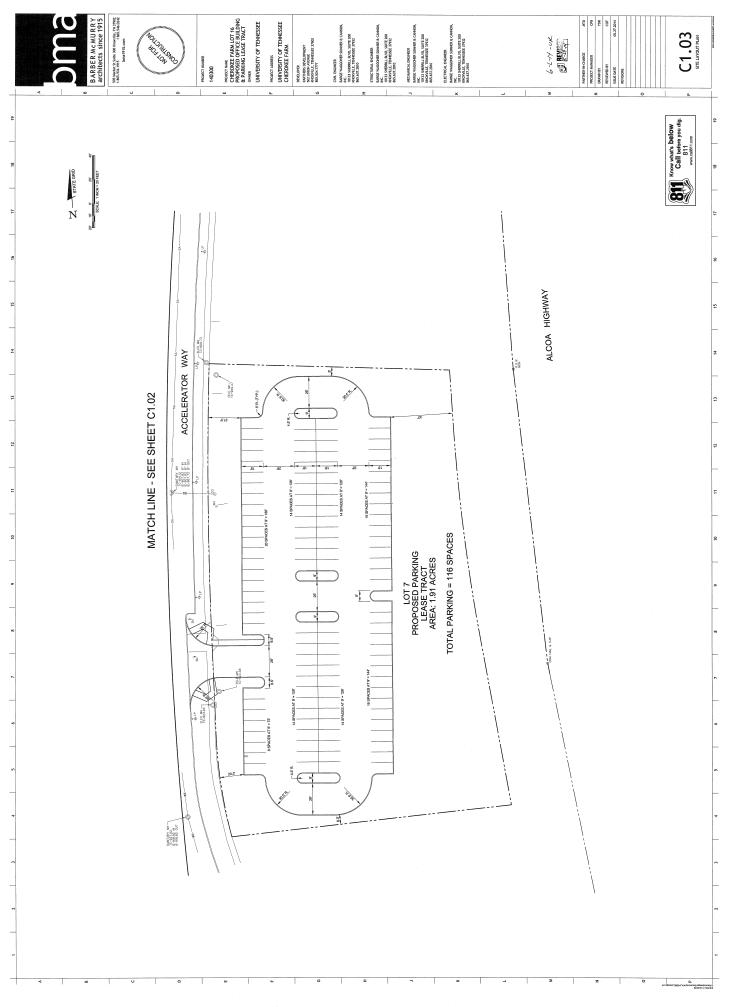


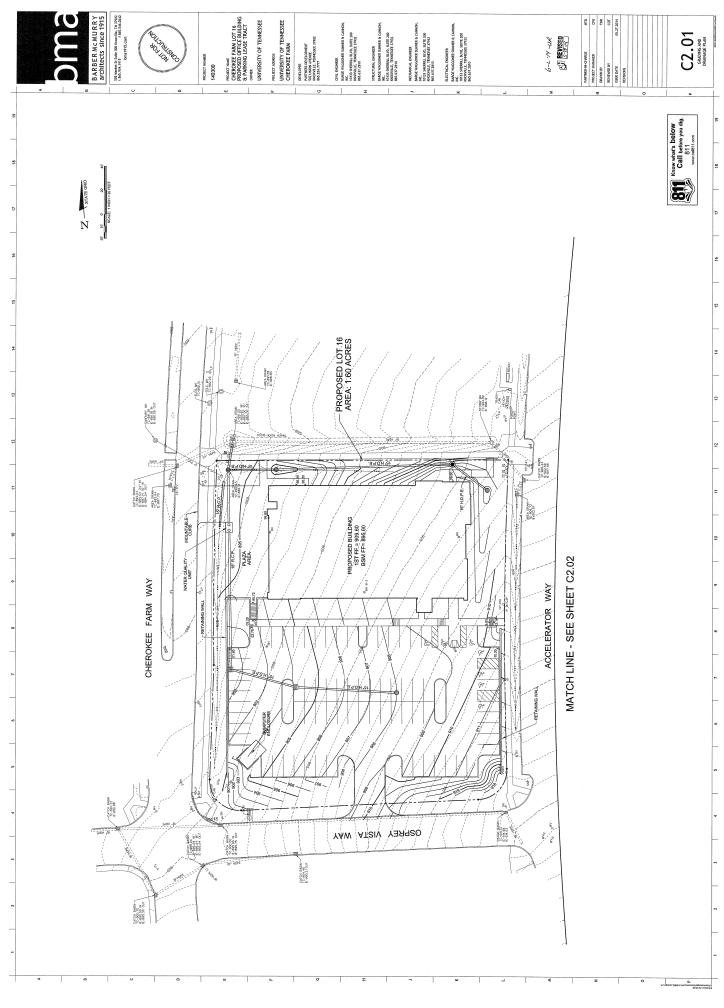
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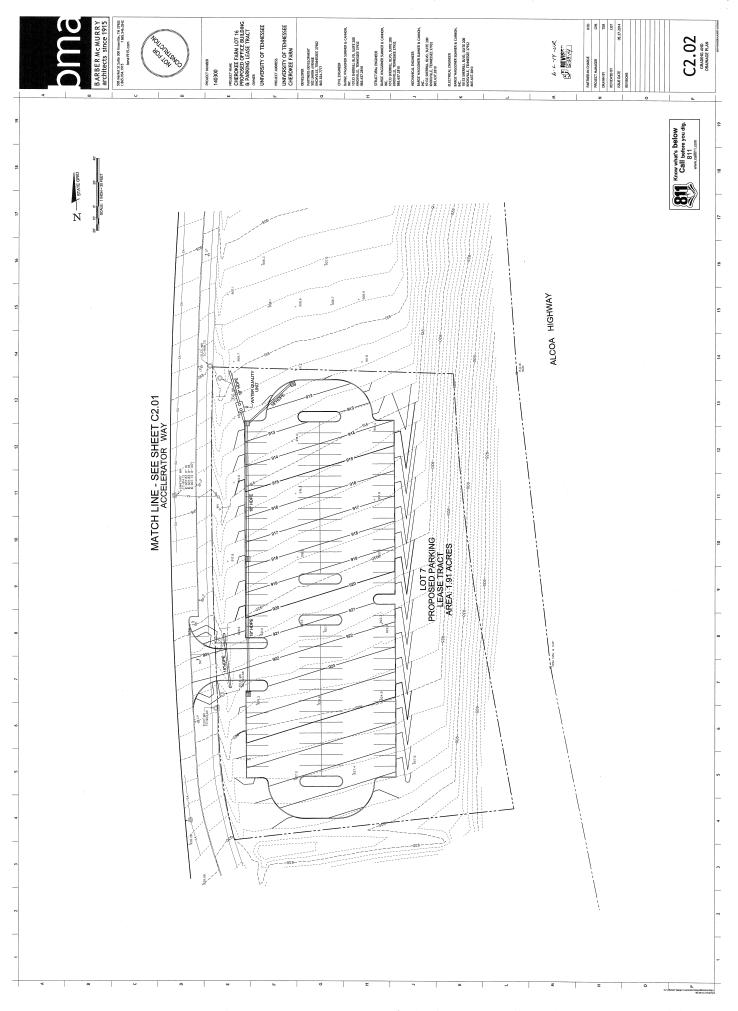


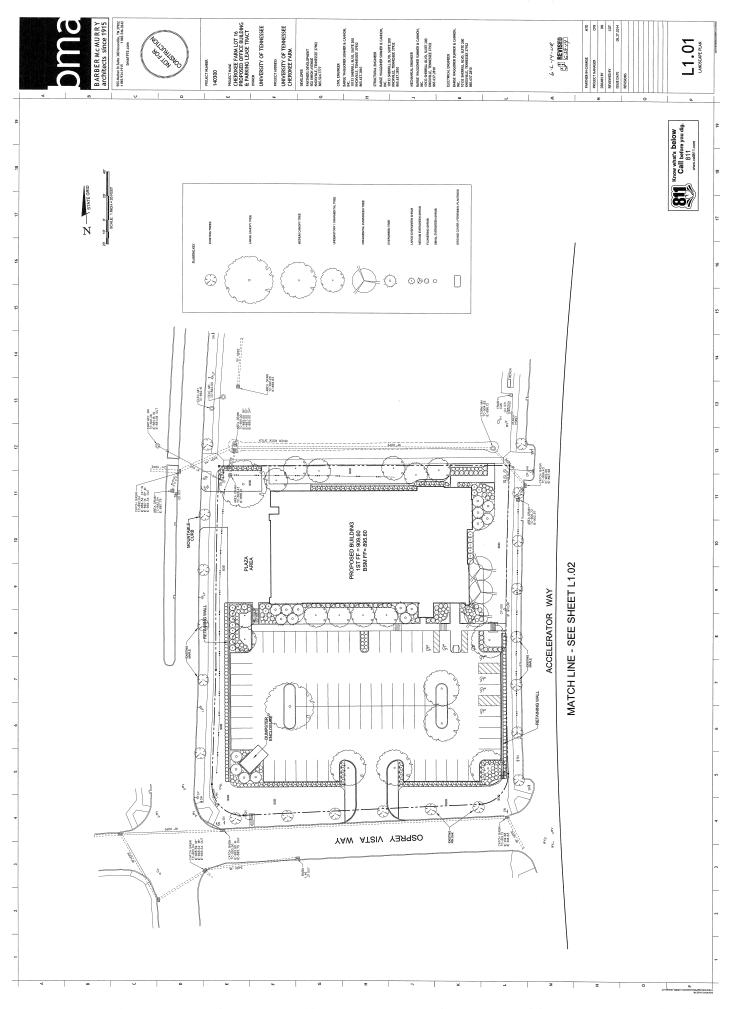


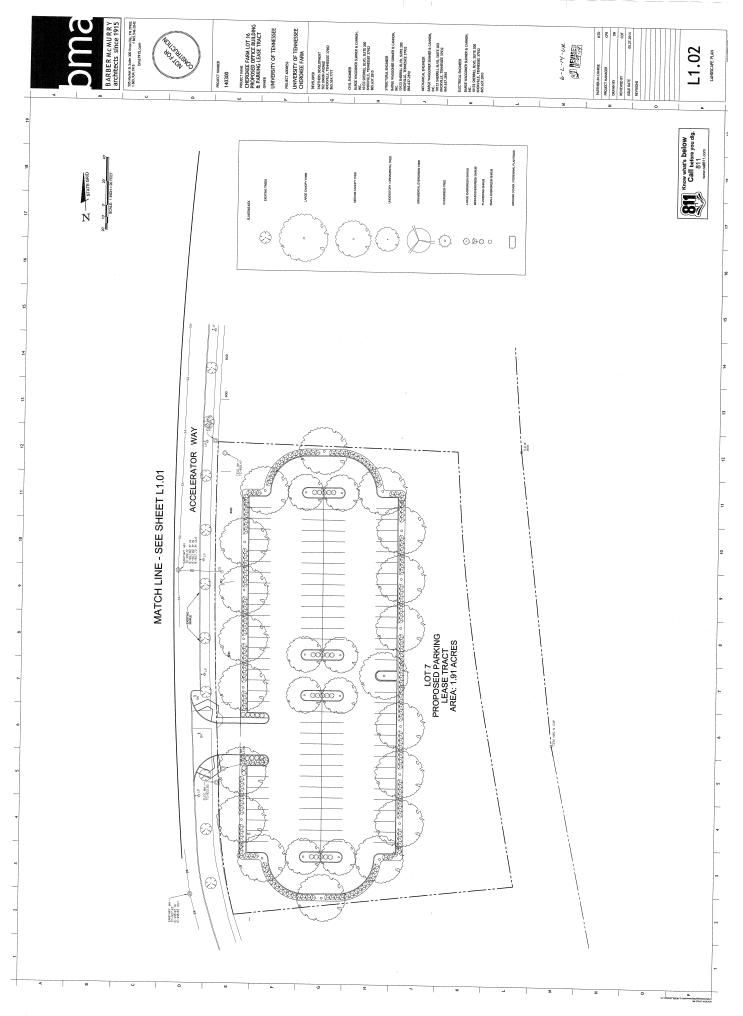
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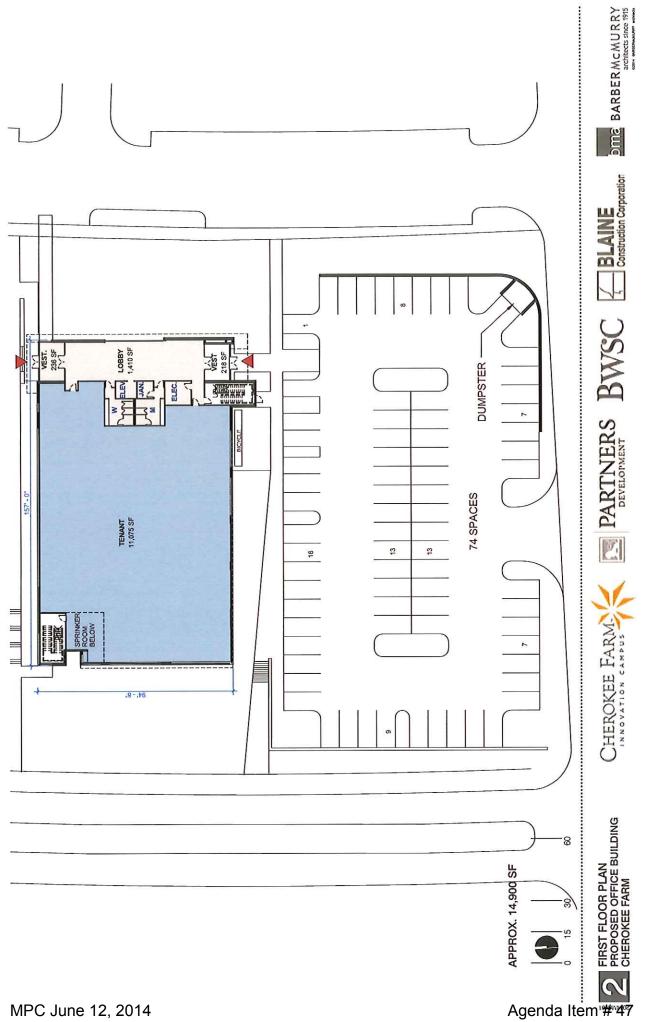
SCHEMATIC DESIGN NARRATIVE University of Tennessee – Cherokee Farm Campus Partners Development Office Building

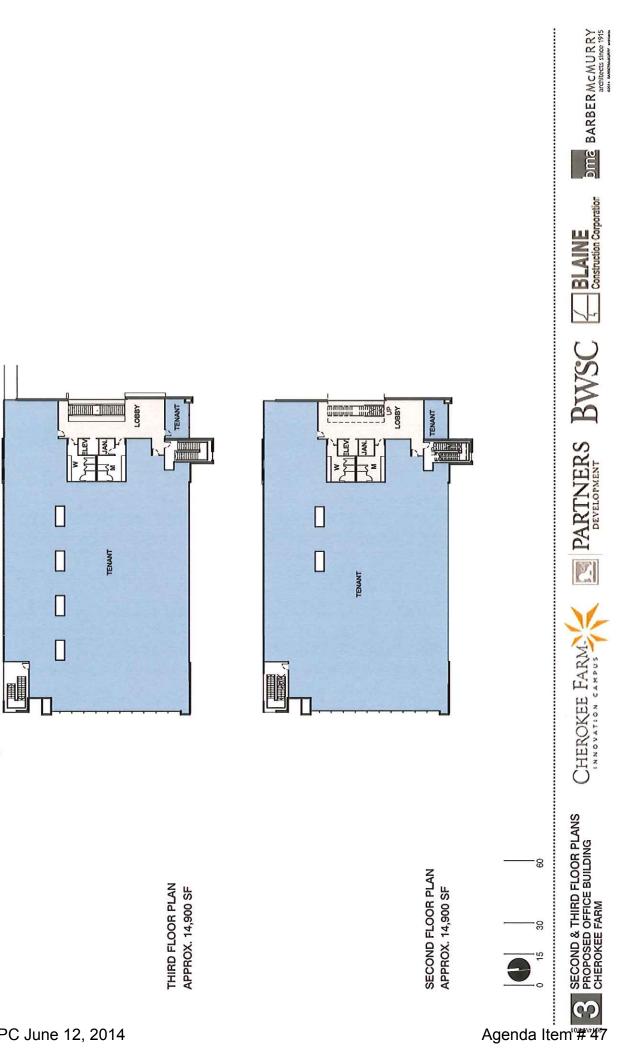
The purpose of this project is to design a new office & research building, led by Partners Development, for the Cherokee Farm research campus of the University of Tennessee. This facility is programmed to be approximately forty five thousand (45,000 gsf) gross square feet which does not include a basement area still to be determined. Within this footprint is approximately thirty six thousand net square feet (36,000 nsf) available for tenant space (approximately 12,000 nsf per floor). Given the site conditions, a partially exposed "walk-out" basement may make sense in the design, with the full extent yet to be determined. The facility is designed primarily as a three level building with the main entry occurring on the first floor. The first floor contains a higher floor-to-floor structural bay to allow for the possibility of future lab functions while the second and third floor structural heights allow for office and non-lab based research functions.

The building massing uses the cues developed by the adjacent JIAM in an attempt to respect and respond to the campus precedent. The exterior design for this new building coordinates its material palette with the adjacent JIAM facility as well. The current design calls for two colors of brick, tan and dark brown to match JIAM, used along the building's base and stair towers. Aluminum metal panels are used extensively to bracket the storefront systems on the second and third floors as well as to create a dynamic roof form over the entry component. The building lobby is placed to the east side of the building to centrally locate the entry within parking that will be on site (approximately 74 spaces) as well as on adjacent parcels. Storefront will be integrated with horizontal and vertical mullion extensions to provide shading and will use insulated low-e clear glass units with no tint. The building design follows the Cherokee Farm Design Guidelines.

The facility is arranged in a rectangular form with the long faces oriented to the north and south, short faces east and west. The facility will be designed to LEED standards with the hope of achieving LEED certification (level still to be determined).

Any roof top equipment will be screened with a metal panel screen wall. Building support functions, such as sprinkler rooms, telecom, etc, may be placed within the basement.







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