

General Compliance Request

To:

Development Permit Panel

Date:

December 1, 2003

From:

Joe Erceg

File:

DP 02-222274

Manager, Development Applications

Re:

Application by Peter Fong for a General Compliance Request at 3591 and

3611 Chatham Street

Manager's Recommendation

That the attached plans be considered in General Compliance with Development Permit DP 02-222274 for a mixed-use development in Steveston Village at 3591 and 3611 Chatham Street.

Manager, Development Applications

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Staff Report

Origin

Kevin C. Lee Architect, on behalf of Peter Fong, has requested a General Compliance ruling on a mixed-use commercial and residential development located at 3591 and 3611 Chatham Street. The subject site is zoned Steveston Commercial (Three-Storey) District (C5). Two (2) similar mixed-use three-storey buildings are located to the east and west of the subject site. The design of the proposed development corresponds with adjacent buildings along this block of Chatham Street.

The developer and architect have made changes to the proposed building in order to deal with geotechnical problems on the subject site. The applicant's geotechnical consultant found that there was inadequate soil load bearing capacity on the subject site for the building as it is currently proposed. The recommendation made by the consultant is to setback the building from the east and west property line creating a 1.5 m (4.92 ft) side yard on each side, which resulted in modifications to the design and layout of the proposed development. A General Compliance ruling is being requested for these proposed changes.

A copy of approved and proposed new plans are appended to this report. This is the first General Compliance request for the project.

Findings of Fact

The General Compliance request relates to the following building modifications:

- The building no longer abuts the east and west property line of the subject site. The side of the building has been shifted inwards 1.5 m (4.92 ft.) from the west and east property lines;
- The number of units for the commercial and residential components has been reduced from four (4) to three (3) units each due to the decrease in total floor area; and
- Minor modifications to the site plan and building elevations in relation to the placement of stairways and application of exterior cladding.

Development Information

	Development Permit	Allowed under C5 Zone	General Compliance				
	(DP 02-222274)		Request				
Site Area	735.8 m ² (7,920 ft ²)	N/A	No change				
Building Area	735.78 m ² (7,920 ft ²)	735.8 m ² (7,920 ft ²)	706.42 m ² (7604 ft ²)				
Density	54 du per ha.	N/A	40 du per ha.				
-	22 du per ac.		16 du per ac.				
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Parking	14 stalls provided	13 stalls required	14 stalls provided				

On July 16th, 2003, correspondence was read into the minutes of the Development Permit Panel regarding soil settlement issues on the neighbouring property to the east. The property owner to the east claimed damage caused by preloading on the subject site. The applicant is aware of these issues at 3631 Chatham Street and is awaiting further information from the property owner. This General Compliance request relates to mitigating geotechnical impacts of development on the subject site only and does not relate to settlement issues on the neighbouring property.

Analysis of General Compliance Guidelines

Council adopted "General Compliance Guidelines" in December, 1998. The guidelines are as follows, with an analysis in **bold italics**.

- 1. Proposed modifications must not require any new development variances or increase approved variances. No new variances or additional increases of existing variances are required for the proposal.
- 2. The density of development must not be increased beyond the level specified in the approved Development Permit. Density has decreased from the level specified in the approved Development Permit.
- 3. Proposed modifications must not alter elements that were controversial or that attracted considerable discussion from the public, Advisory Design Panel or Development Permit Panel during the original Development Permit process. *Complies*.
- 4. Proposed exterior modifications must maintain or enhance the quality of the development and must retain the basic form and character of the development. The proposed exterior modifications result from shifting the buildings east and west walls 1.5 m (4.92 ft.) inwards in order to address on site load bearing issues identified by the geotechnical consultant. The west and east building elevations have been revised to incorporate cladding materials and other exterior features present on the front and rear elevations. Other exterior modifications relate to staircase and unit number adjustments, which do not impact the form and character of the development. Staff have no objection to these modifications.
- 5. Applications should not alter the approved site coverage, siting, scale, spacing or configuration of buildings, with the exception of minor changes and additions to buildings to accommodate Building Code or servicing requirements. The site coverage, siting, scale and spacing of the building have been modified to address geotechnical issues relating to inadequate load bearing capacity of the underlying soil. As a result of the recommendation from a consultant, the architect is proposing to pull back the building 1.5 m from the east and west property line, creating a breezeway along each.
- 6. Approved open space and amenity areas should be maintained; proposed changes to landscaping detail should be minor in nature and of equivalent value to approved plans.

 No changes are proposed to the landscape design. The 1.5 m (4.92 ft.) breezeway does allow for implementation of a concrete walkway between the front and rear of the building.
- 7. Proposed changes to the location and configuration of vehicle access and parking areas should be minor in nature. *Modifications to the building have not resulted in changes to parking location or vehicle access.*

8. Proposed modifications must not contravene the applicable Development Permit Guidelines. Proposed changes do not contradict the applicable Development Permit Guidelines.

Analysis

The applicant is requesting a General Compliance ruling on proposed changes to a mixed-use development located at 3591 and 3611 Chatham Street. These modifications have been prompted by a recommendation made by the applicant's geotechnical consultant regarding inadequate load bearing capacity of the underlying soil on the subject site. To address these issues, the architect has redesigned the building to allow for a 1.5 m (4.92 ft.) wide breezeway on the east and west sides of the building. Total floor area has decreased resulting in the applicant having to reduce unit numbers and adjust plans accordingly.

Staff have no objection to the minor exterior modifications. These relate to implementing similar material cladding on the east and west elevations as well as adjusting a staircase location to better facilitate pedestrian linkages between the front and rear of the building. Pedestrian walkways which are 1.5 m (4.92 ft) wide have been incorporated into the design along the east and west property line. Proposed modifications have made the building slightly 'narrower', however, the building frontage facing Chatham Street retains the character of the previous design.

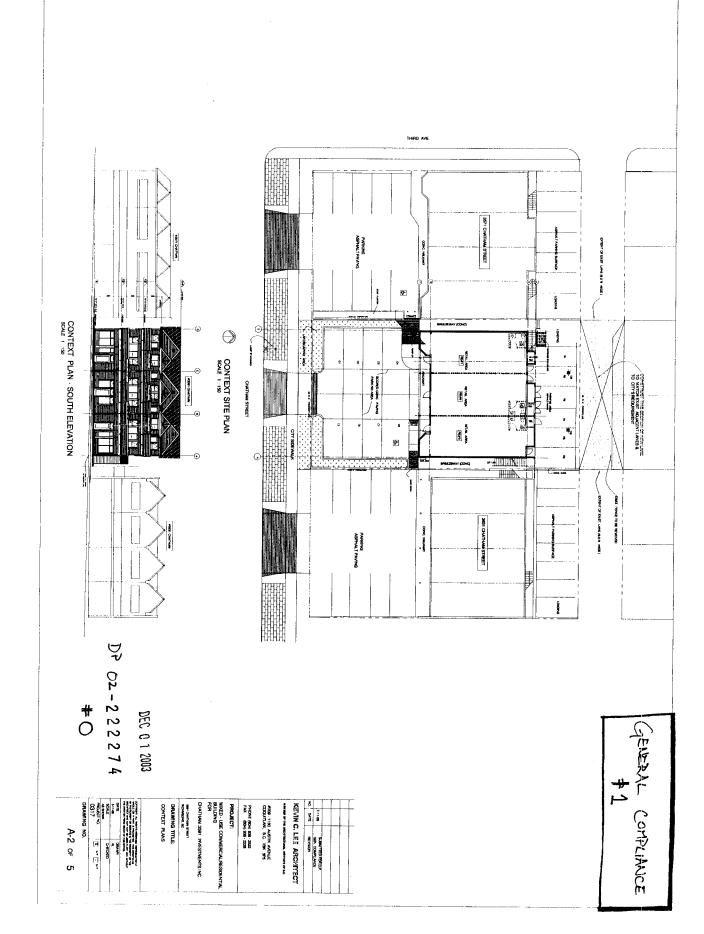
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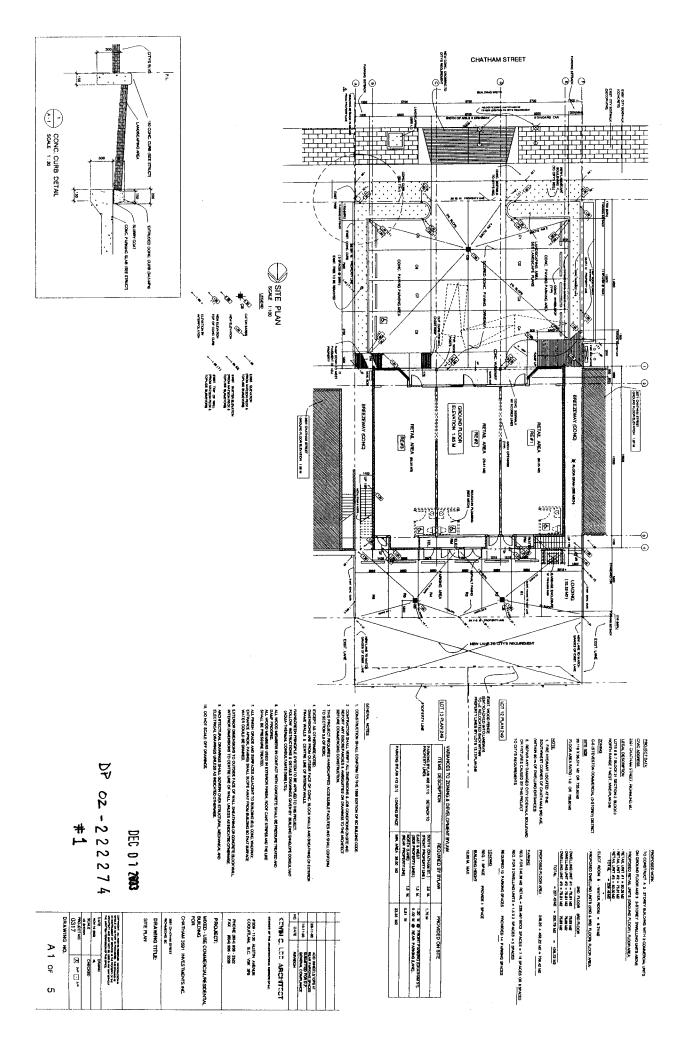
The proposed changes are consistent with General Compliance criteria. Staff recommend support of the General Compliance request.

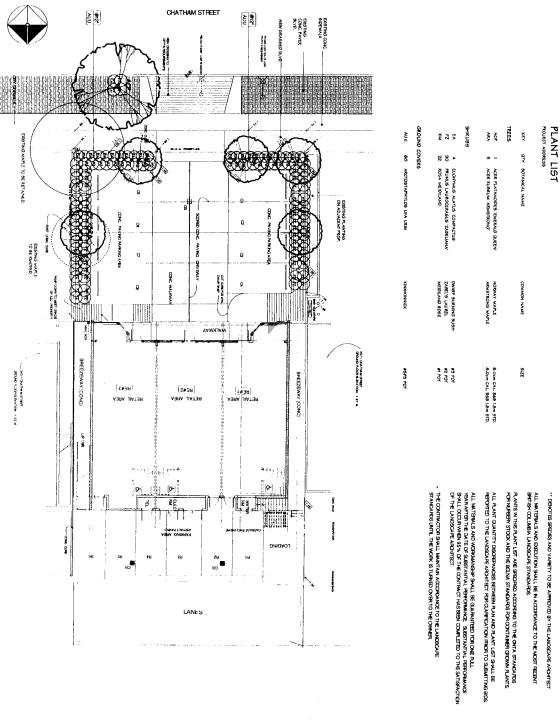
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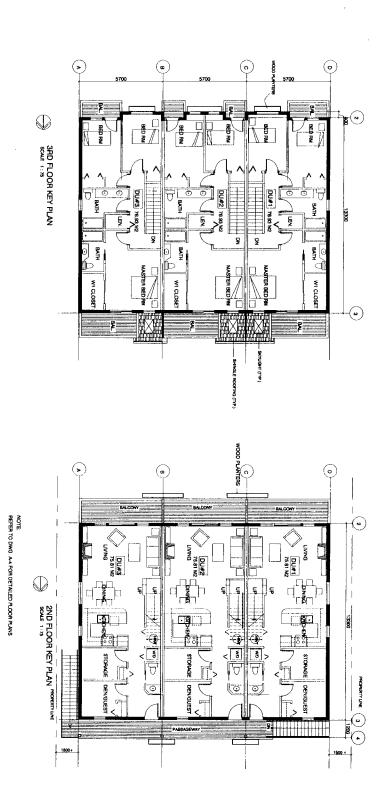
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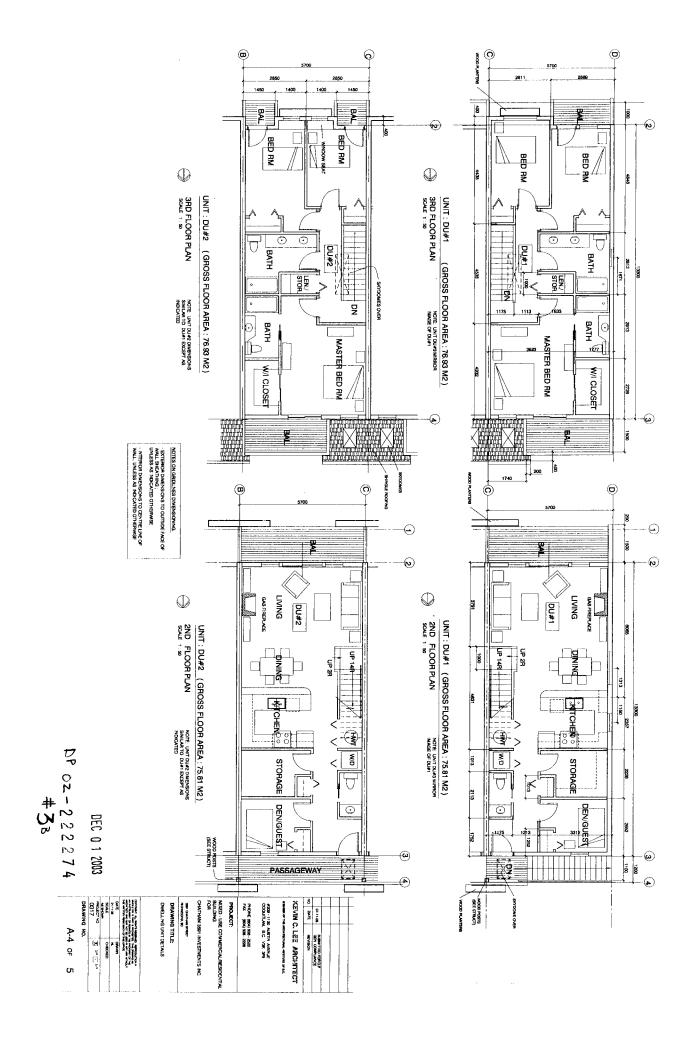
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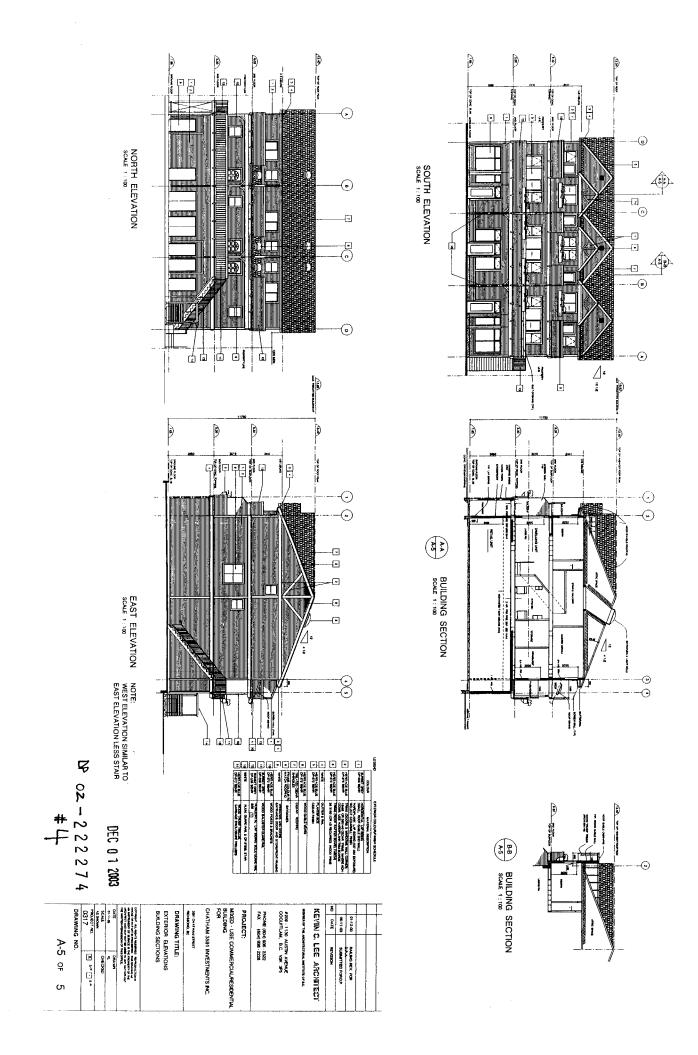
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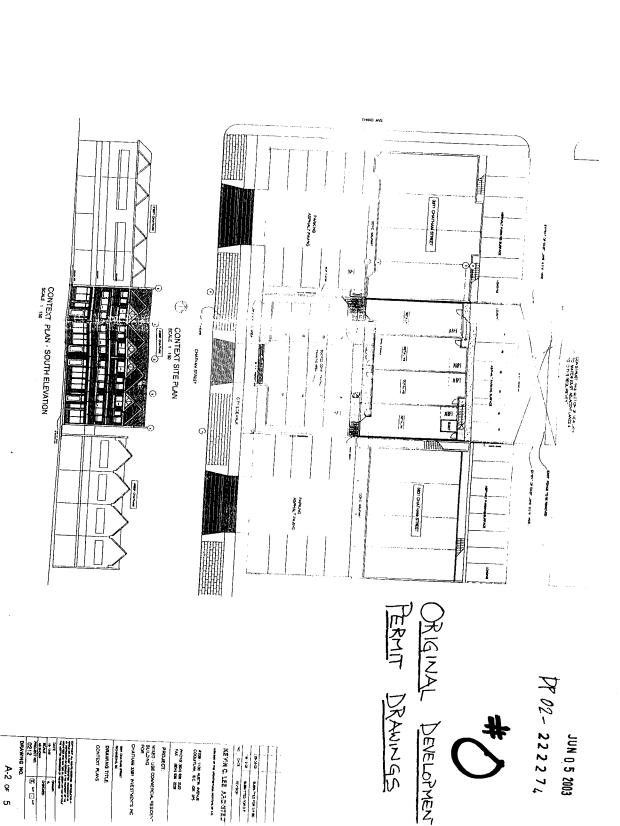


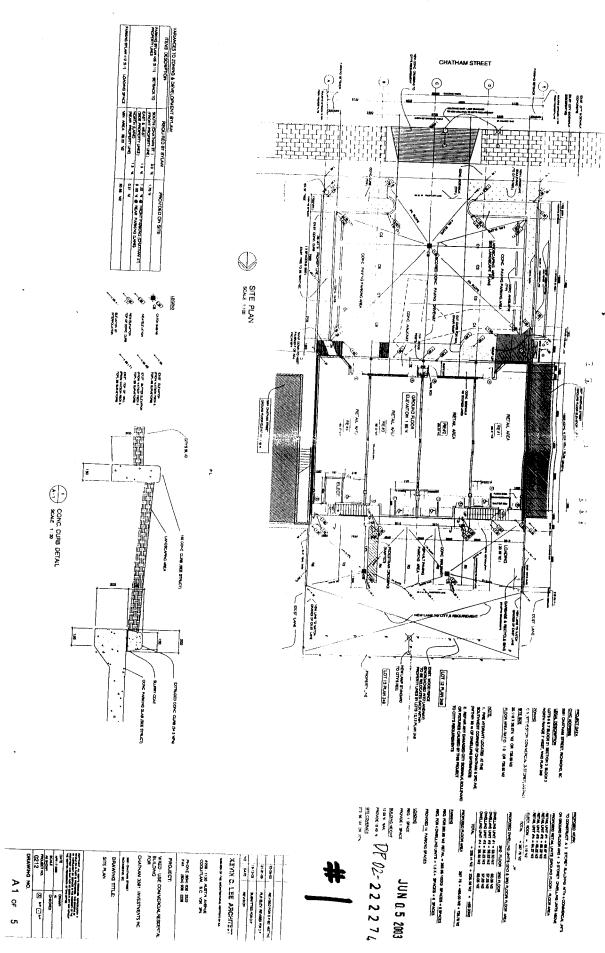
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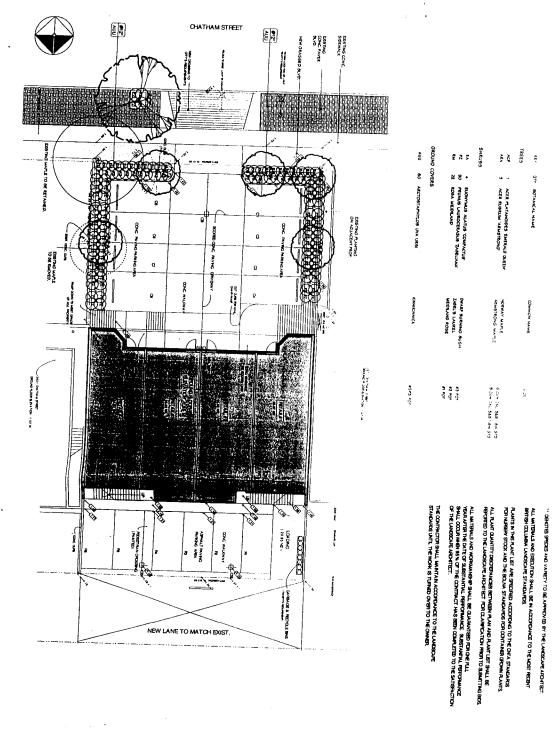








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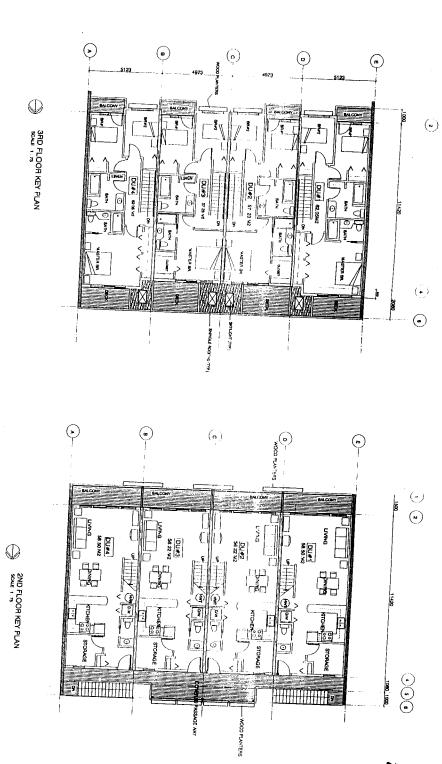
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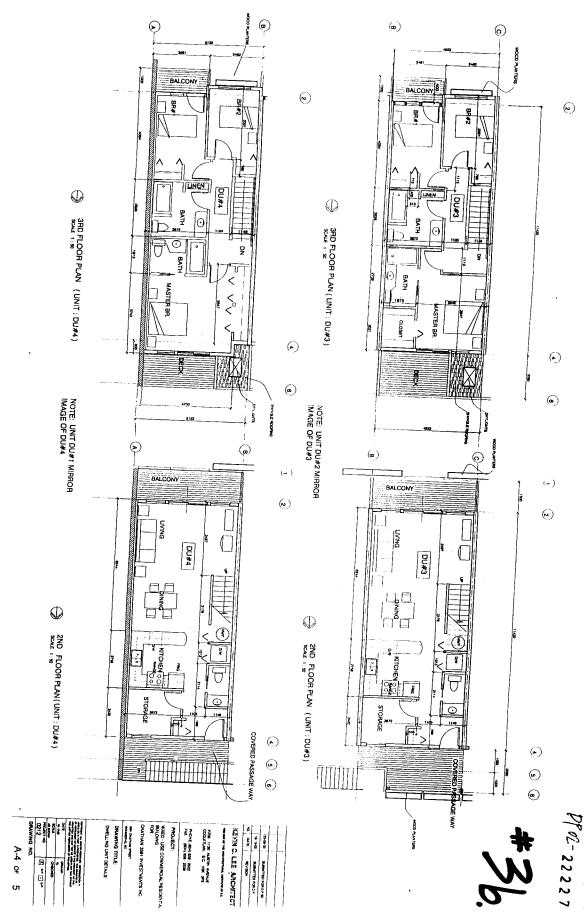
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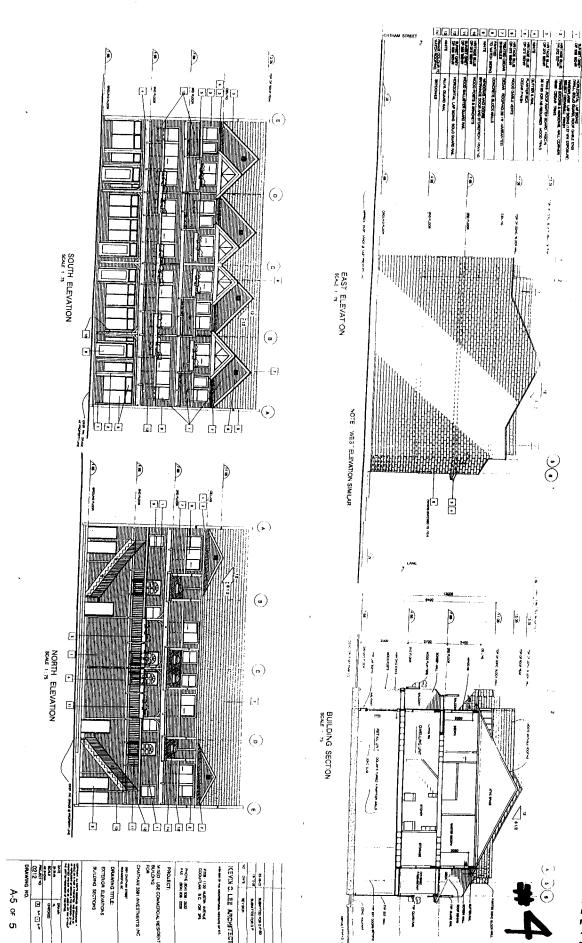
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