

## MOTION

To amend Ordinance No. 2025-046, which amends Ord. No. 2008-270-261, adopted Nov. 10, 2008, as previously amended by Ord. No. 2003-296-255, adopted Sept. 8, 2003, which authorized a Community Unit Plan at 1300 Westwood Avenue for a mixed-use development consisting of a maximum of one hundred forty residential units, a community center with reception facility and non-medical office, a preventative healthcare facility, two private schools, and a fifty unit dormitory, and modified the plan for the fence required between the subject property and 1409 Palmyra Avenue, to modify the plan for the development of tennis courts, to update references and modify and add terms and conditions related to the tennis courts.

INTRODUCED: March 10, 2025

AN ORDINANCE No. 2025-046

**As Amended**

To amend Ord. No. 2008-270-261, adopted Nov. 10, 2008, which amended Ord. No. 2003-296-255, adopted Sep. 8, 2003, which authorized a Community Unit Plan at 1300 Westwood Avenue for a mixed-use development consisting of a maximum of one hundred forty residential units, a community center with reception facility and non-medical office, a preventative healthcare facility, two private schools, and a fifty unit dormitory, and modified the plan for the fence required between the subject property and 1409 Palmyra Avenue, to modify the Community Unit Plan to allow for the development of tennis courts.

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Patron – Mayor Avula (By Request)

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Approved as to form and legality  
by the City Attorney  
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PUBLIC HEARING: APR 14 2025 AT 6 P.M.

THE CITY OF RICHMOND HEREBY ORDAINS:

I. That Ordinance No. 2008-270-261, adopted November 10, 2008, as previously amended by Ordinance No. 2003-296-255, adopted September 8, 2003, be and is hereby amended and reordained as follows:

WHEREAS, the applicant of the affected properties submitted to the City Planning Commission (the “Commission”) a request to develop a mixed-use community with up to one-

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hundred forty (140) dwelling units, a community center with reception facility and non-medical offices, a preventative healthcare facility, two private schools, and a dormitory. The 15.6828 acres are identified as Parcel Numbers N000-1330/004, N000-1330/005, [~~N000-1330/008, N000-1330/0012A, N000-1330/0012B and N000-1330/0012C,~~] N000-1330/085, N000-1330/0015T, N000-1330/0012, N000-1330/0014, and N000-1330/011 in the [~~2003~~] 2025 records of the City Assessor, as shown on the survey entitled “Topographic Survey of Richmond Memorial Hospital Richmond, Virginia,” prepared by McKnight & Associates, P.C., and dated January 10, 2003, a copy of which is attached to and made a part of Ordinance No. 2003-296-255 (the “Property”); and

WHEREAS, the Commission, after holding a public hearing on the proposed community unit plan, approved the schematic drawings as a Preliminary Community Unit Plan, based upon written findings of fact as set out in a resolution dated and adopted by the Commission on July 21, 2003, a copy of such resolution being attached to Ordinance No. 2003-296-255; and

WHEREAS, the owner has voluntarily proposed restrictive covenants that will be recorded on the Property and which will not at any time be enforced by the City of Richmond; and

WHEREAS, the City Council approved the Preliminary Community Unit Plan on September 8, 2003; and

WHEREAS, the owner of the property at 1350 Westwood Avenue [~~has~~] submitted to the Commission a request to amend the Community Unit Plan to modify the plan for the fence required between the Property and 1409 Palmyra Avenue [~~required between the Property and 1409 Palmyra Avenue~~], substantially as shown on sheets A0.01 and A0.06 of the plans entitled “Ginter Place, Condominiums, Parcel ‘C’, GPCV, LLC,” prepared by Commonwealth Architects and dated October 23, 2007, and sheet SK-90 of the plans entitled “Ginter Place, Condominiums, Parcel ‘C’,

GPCV, LLC,” prepared by Commonwealth Architects and dated September 24, 2007, copies of which are attached to and incorporated into ~~[this ordinance]~~ Ordinance No. 2008-270-261; and

WHEREAS, the Commission approved the requested amendment based on findings of fact as set out in a resolution dated and adopted by the Commission on September 2, 2008, a copy of which is attached to ~~[this ordinance]~~ Ordinance No. 2008-270-261; and

WHEREAS, the owner, who together with their successors in fee simple title are hereinafter referred to as the “1402 Westwood Owner,” of the property [at] known as 1402 Westwood Avenue and identified as Tax Parcel No. N000-1330/085, hereinafter referred to as the “Tennis Parcel.” ~~[has]~~ submitted to the Commission a request to amend the Community Unit Plan ~~[to modify the plan for the purpose of]~~ to allow for the development of ~~[tennis courts]~~ a tennis facility, substantially as shown on sheets C3.00 and C6.01 of the plans entitled “Veritas Tennis Facility,” prepared by vhb, ~~[and]~~ and dated September 13, 2024 ~~[, and last revised May 7, 2025, copies of which are attached to and incorporated into this ordinance and hereinafter referred to as “the 2025 Plan;”]; and~~

~~[WHEREAS, after receiving a report from the Director of Planning and Development Review, the Commission shall, by formal resolution, approve the 2025 Plan as a final plan if it finds that the requirements of Section 30-456.4, of the Code of the City of Richmond (2020), as amended, are met and that such plan is consistent with objectives of the preliminary plan as adopted by the Council and not in conflict with any conditions specified by the Council; and]~~

WHEREAS, the Commission approved the requested amendments based on findings of fact set out in a resolution dated and adopted by the Commission on April 15, 2025, a copy of which is attached to this amendatory ordinance; and

**WHEREAS, the 1402 Westwood Owner has since submitted to the Council an updated version of sheet C3.00 of the aforementioned Veritas Tennis Facility plans, last revised May 7, 2025, which updated sheet plus sheet C6.01 of such plans are collectively hereinafter referred to as the “2025 Plan,” a copy of which is attached to and incorporated into this amendatory ordinance, which 2025 Plan satisfies a condition of the Council that the 1402 Westwood Owner further reduce anticipated land use impacts of the proposed tennis facility on the surrounding neighborhood; and**

**WHEREAS, to the extent no modifications are made to the 2025 Plan subsequent to the approval of this amendatory ordinance, the Council intends to deem the 2025 Plan a final plan due to its indication in detail of the proposed layout of the site and the character of improvements thereon; and**

WHEREAS, the Council concurs in the findings of fact made by the Commission;  
NOW, THEREFORE,  
THE CITY OF RICHMOND HEREBY ORDAINS:

§ 1. That, pursuant to section 17.10(g) of the Charter of the City of Richmond [~~(2006)~~]  
(2020), as amended, and Article IV of Chapter [444] 30 of the Code of the City of Richmond  
[~~(2004)~~] (2020), as amended, the development and use of the above referenced properties,  
generally in accordance with the schematic site plan, floor plans and elevations entitled “Schematic  
Drawings for CUP”, prepared by Commonwealth Architects, dated January 10, 2003, and last  
revised June 16, 2003, copies of which are attached to and made a part of Ordinance No. 2003-  
296-255, and the development and use of [tennis courts at the above referenced Property] a  
tennis facility on the Tennis Parcel, [generally] substantially in accordance with the 2025 Plan,  
is hereby approved and permitted, subject to the following standards, terms, and conditions:

I. **DEVELOPMENT CONCEPT:** The original 2003 Preliminary Community Unit Plan (the “Plan”) for development of the properties is depicted on the [attached] plans entitled “AS1.01 Schematic Site Plan – Scheme B” attached to Ordinance ~~[2008-270-261]~~ 2003-296-255.

A. The Plan depicts the Laburnum Tower as a maximum of sixty-six (66) condominium dwelling units.

B. The Plan depicts the Ginter Building as a maximum of seven (7) condominium dwelling units.

C. The Plan depicts the Gloucester Building as a parking deck and storage facility for residents.

D. The Plan depicts the Laburnum House as a community center with reception facility and non-medical offices.

E. The Plan depicts the east portion of the Palmyra Building as a preventative healthcare center and the west portion of the Palmyra Building as a private school or a maximum of twenty-three (23) condominium dwelling units.

F. The Plan depicts the Lamont Building as (i) a private school, (ii) a maximum of eighteen (18) condominium dwelling units or (iii) a maximum of fifty (50) dormitory units.

G. The Plan depicts the demolition of the Westwood Medical Office Building and parking area for construction of a maximum of twelve (12) townhouse style condominium dwelling units.

H. The Plan depicts the construction of a maximum of twelve (12) townhouse style condominium dwelling units at Westwood Avenue and the former Lamont Street.

I. The Plan depicts the Dialysis Center as a single-family detached dwelling.

J. The Plan depicts a lot for construction of a single-family detached dwelling.

K. The Plan depicts the demolition of maintenance buildings for green space.

L. The Plan depicts the demolition of a portion of the Laburnum Tower adjacent to Laburnum House for open space which includes a patio.

M. Where specific standards set forth in this ordinance exceed or modify standards for features shown on the Plan, this ordinance shall apply to such features. For the purposes of this ordinance, the Plan shall be deemed to be the Final Community Unit Plan for (i) the Laburnum House for a community center with reception facility and non-medical offices and (ii) the east portion of the Palmyra Building for a preventative healthcare center. All other uses shall be subject to Final Plan review, unless otherwise noted. Except to satisfy requirements of the Virginia Uniform Statewide Building Code and the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, 42 U.S.C. §§ 12101-12213 (2000), no additions to the existing buildings on the Property that would increase floor area shall be permitted.

**II. PHASING:** Residential construction on the Property shall be developed in two (2) phases.

A. The first phase shall include the Laburnum Tower, the Gloucester Building, the single-family detached dwellings, and the west townhouse style condominium dwelling units. A building permit shall be obtained for the Laburnum Tower prior to or simultaneously with other building permits for Phase I development.

B. A building permit shall not be issued for condominium units in the second phase of residential development until the last certificate of occupancy has been issued for the final condominium unit in the Laburnum Tower. The second phase of residential development may include any combination of the following: (i) the east townhouse style condominium dwellings; (ii) the Ginter Building; (iii) the Palmyra Building; and (iv) the Lamont Building for

condominiums.

**III. MAXIMUM DWELLING UNITS:** Residential use of the Property shall be limited to (i) up to one-hundred fourteen (114) condominium dwelling units; (ii) up to twenty-four (24) townhouse style condominium dwelling units; (iii) up to two (2) single-family detached dwellings; and (iv) up to fifty (50) dormitory units.

**IV. DWELLING UNIT DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS:**

A. **SINGLE-FAMILY DETACHED DWELLING:** The single-family detached dwellings on the Property shall be designed and constructed substantially in conformance with and using similar massing and architectural character as the existing two-story single-family dwellings in the 3400 block of Gloucester Road and shall adhere to the following standards: minimum lot width shall be eighty (80) feet; minimum lot area shall be 12,000 square feet; minimum front yard shall be twenty-five (25) feet or as set forth in section [~~114-630.2~~] 30-630.2 of the Code of the City of Richmond [~~(2004)~~] (2020), as amended; minimum rear yard shall be seven and one-half (7½) feet; minimum side yard shall be seven and one-half (7½) feet; maximum lot coverage shall not exceed twenty-five (25) percent of the area of the lot; minimum finished floor area, defined as heated and cooled space, shall be 2000 square feet. The single-family detached dwelling lot shall be sodded prior to the issuance of a final certificate of occupancy for the dwelling on the lot.

B. **TOWNHOUSE STYLE CONDOMINIUM DWELLING UNITS:** The townhouse style condominium units on the Property shall be designed and constructed substantially in conformance with and using similar massing and architectural character as depicted on the attached elevation drawings and shall adhere to the following standards: minimum finished floor area, defined as heated and cooled space, shall be 2200 square feet; no more than two (2) dwelling units may be attached in any series. Dwelling units shall not have primary entrances fronting Westwood



Avenue. A garage shall be provided with each townhouse style condominium dwelling unit and shall be substantially in conformance with the attached elevation drawings, subject to Final Plan approval.

C. CONDOMINIUM DWELLING UNITS: Minimum finished floor area, defined as heated and cooled space, shall be 1500 square feet. Accessory community spaces in the Laburnum Tower including but not limited to lounge rooms, libraries, recreation and exercise rooms, workrooms, craft rooms, and music rooms as shown on the attached Plan, shall be restricted to the use of residents of the Property and their guests.

D. BUILDING HEIGHT: No building or structure shall exceed thirty-five (35) feet in height on lots for single-family detached dwellings and townhouse style condominium dwelling units. There shall be no alterations to any of the existing buildings on the Property that would increase the height of the building.

E. EXTERIOR BUILDING MATERIALS: Single-family detached dwellings and townhouse style condominium units shall be constructed with a minimum of seventy-five percent (75%) brick or stone or a combination of brick and stone exteriors. Secondary materials shall be restricted to stucco, wood siding, hardiplank or an equivalent material as approved as part of the Final Plan. Solid vinyl, vinyl cladding, or aluminum cladding may be used for exterior trim, windows, and soffits only. Exterior steel or metal doors, excluding garage doors, shall not be permitted. Roof shingles shall be faux slate or an equivalent material as approved as part of the Final Plan. Standing seam metal roofs may be used on secondary building elements such as porches. Decks and patios shall be constructed with masonry materials, not wood. Wood or solid vinyl may be used for raised porches and associated railing.

F. ACCESSORY RESIDENTIAL USES: A resident manager dwelling unit may be

located in the Laburnum House and the Laburnum Tower as shown on the attached Plan.

**V. DWELLING UNIT INTERIOR STANDARDS:**

A. Townhouse style condominium dwelling units and condominium dwelling units shall have a minimum of two (2) and a maximum of three (3) bedrooms and a minimum of two (2) full bathrooms.

B. Each dwelling unit shall be equipped with dishwasher, garbage disposal, oven/range, refrigerator, microwave oven, washer and dryer at the time of the issuance of a final certificate of occupancy for that particular dwelling unit.

C. Dwelling unit interior finishes shall include ceramic tile and wood floors, solid wood or equivalent material for cabinetry, solid surface counter tops, solid core wood doors, and wood or equivalent material for base trim and shall be installed at the time of the issuance of a final certificate of occupancy for that particular dwelling unit. Each townhouse style condominium dwelling unit shall have finished wood floors throughout the first level, except the kitchen, utility area, bathrooms, and garage prior to the issuance of a final certificate of occupancy for that particular dwelling unit.

D. Each unit shall be pre-wired for cable, internet, telephone and security systems prior to the issuance of a final certificate of occupancy for that particular dwelling unit.

E. The Laburnum Tower shall have a card access system and be equipped with an alarm system. Security cameras shall be provided both indoors and outdoors to serve the Laburnum Tower.

**VI. NON-RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS:**

A. LABURNUM HOUSE: The Laburnum House may be used for non-medical offices, a community center, and reception facility. No amplification of sound shall be permitted

outside the Laburnum House.

(1) Non-medical Office Uses. Non-medical office uses shall be restricted to 10,000 square feet located on the second and third floors or in the basement. The non-medical office hours of operation open to the public shall be 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, and 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. on Saturday.

(2) Community Center. The community center shall be restricted to use by residents of the Property with their personal guests. The community center use shall be restricted to 10,000 square feet and may be located on the first and second floors only. The community center hours of operation shall be from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m., Sunday through Thursday, and 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m. on Friday and Saturday.

(3) Reception Facility. Reception uses by the public may only be conducted between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Saturday. Reception uses shall be restricted to 10,000 square feet and may be located on the first and second floors only.

B. PREVENTATIVE HEALTHCARE CENTER: For the purposes of this ordinance, a preventative healthcare center shall be defined as a facility offering, physical therapy, aquatic therapy, nutrition and weight management services, wellness center, fitness center and health seminars. The hours of operation shall be 7:00 a.m. to 9:30 p.m., Monday through Saturday, and 12:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. on Sunday. The preventative healthcare center shall be available only to physician referred patients and members and their guests.

C. PRIVATE SCHOOL AND DORMITORY USES: A maximum of two (2) private elementary and secondary schools having curricula substantially the same as that offered in public schools shall be permitted on the Property. Private schools shall be restricted to a maximum enrollment of fifty (50) students each. Class hours shall be 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through

Friday. Dormitory use in the Lamont Building shall be restricted to fifty (50) rooms and restricted to use by students of the Richmond Theological Consortium.

D. INCIDENTAL USES: Incidental uses permitted in the Laburnum Tower shall be designed and scaled for the convenience of the occupants of the Property and limited to the following: sale of convenience goods, eating and drinking establishments, dry cleaners pick up/drop off, ATM, and hair salon; provided that:

- (1) The hours of operation shall be restricted to 6:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.;
- (2) The sale of alcoholic beverages shall not be permitted;
- (3) Not more than a total of five (5) employees in the aggregate may serve the incidental uses at any one time; and
- (4) The incidental uses shall be further subject to the limitations provided in section [114-420.2(3)] 30-420.2(3) of the Code of the City of Richmond [~~(2004)~~] (2020), as amended, which restricts signage, access and floor area.

**E. TENNIS FACILITY: The following conditions shall apply to the tennis facility, hereinafter referred to as the “Tennis Facility,” depicted in the 2025 Plan and authorized by this amendatory ordinance, which plan shall be deemed to be the Final Plan for the Tennis Facility:**

**(1) All fences enclosing the tennis courts shall (i) be ten (10) feet in height and (ii) include a sound suppression system installed therein or thereon, all as described in the 2025 Plan;**

**(2) Lights shall not be installed on the tennis courts or otherwise within the Tennis Facility, except that bollard or other security lighting for pedestrian ingress and egress to and from the tennis courts shall be permitted;**

(3) Hours of operation of the tennis courts shall be from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. March 1 to October 15 and 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. on all other dates. The Tennis Facility shall be locked at all other times;

(4) Pickleball shall not be permitted on the tennis courts;

(5) Off-Street Parking;

(a) The 1402 Westwood Owner shall provide an area for off-street parking, hereinafter referred to as the “Off-Street Parking Area,” for the Tennis Parcel and shall provide evidence of its right to use the Off-Street Parking Area for such purpose upon request from the Zoning Administrator.

(b) The 1402 Westwood Owner shall, as described in the 2025 Plan, provide pedestrian access, hereinafter referred to as the “Off-Street Parking Area Access Path,” from the Off-Street Parking Area to a public sidewalk to create a connected pedestrian walkway from the Off-Street Parking Area to the Tennis Parcel and shall provide evidence of its right to use the Off-Street Parking Area Access Path upon request from the Zoning Administrator;

(6) Signs;

(a) Signs that state tennis court hours of operation and the pickleball prohibition, respectively described in conditions (3) and (4) above, shall be posted on fences enclosing the tennis courts shown on the 2025 Plan.

(b) A sign that directs users of the Tennis Parcel to the Off-Street Parking Area shall be installed along the Westwood Avenue frontage of the Tennis Parcel;

(c) The signs required by this subsection shall not count against the signage limitations set forth in Section XIV below.

(7) The existing brick wall along the northernmost property line of the Tennis Parcel shall remain.

(8) Two rows of wax myrtle trees of at least forty-eight (48) inches in height shall be planted and maintained along portions of the northern and western bounds of the Tennis Facility, substantially as shown on the 2025 Plan, for the purpose of screening those portions of the Tennis Facility from public view.

(9) Additional fencing, substantially as shown on the 2025 Plan, that connects fences enclosing the tennis courts to fences and walls along the bounds of the Tennis Parcel shall be installed and maintained.

(10) Netting shall be installed and maintained along the full exterior of the western fence for the northern set of tennis courts for the purpose of screening the tennis courts from public view until all wax myrtles intended to screen those courts reach a height of fifteen (15) feet.

(11) No portable or chemical toilets shall be placed on the Tennis Parcel.

(12) No loudspeaker or public address system shall be permitted on the Tennis Parcel.

(13) The trees described in paragraph (E)(8) above shall have been planted, and the fencing described in paragraph (E)(9) above shall have been installed, prior to application for a certificate of zoning compliance for the Tennis Facility.

VII. ACCESS: Vehicular access to the Property shall be restricted to those locations shown on the attached Plan. The access on Palmyra Avenue at the northwest corner of the Property as shown on the attached Plan, shall be gated and restricted for use by emergency service vehicles only. The means of gating and access shall be as approved by the Department of Fire and

Emergency Services and shall be shown on the Final Plan.

**VIII. PARKING:** A minimum of [~~five hundred seventy-five (575)~~] two hundred (200) parking spaces shall be provided on-site located in the areas shown on the Plan and may be shared by the uses on the Property. Parking areas shall be improved and landscaped in accordance with Chapter [~~114~~] 30 of the Code of the City of Richmond (~~2004~~) (2020), as amended.

**IX. MINIMUM GREEN SPACE:** A minimum of twenty-five percent (25%) of the land area shall be devoted to green space, which for the purposes of this ordinance shall include all grass, vegetated and landscaped areas of the Property.

**X. BUFFERS AND LANDSCAPING:** The plans for buffers and landscaping shall be submitted to and approved as part of the Final Plan.

A. **BUFFERS:** A landscaped buffer area of a minimum of fifteen (15) feet in width shall be provided along Westwood Avenue, Palmyra Avenue and the adjacent residential properties to the west. The landscaping shall include a combination of evergreen and deciduous trees and shrubs. Evergreen trees and shrubs shall be predominant along the perimeters of the Property adjacent to residential uses.

B. **LANDSCAPING:** The landscaping plan shall provide for newly established grass areas to be sodded. All landscaped areas parallel to Westwood Avenue, and sodded areas, except the single-family detached lots, shall be irrigated with an automatic in-ground water sprinkler system. Healthy, existing trees and shrubbery as shown on sheet ABS1.01 of the Plans attached to Ordinance No. 2003-296-255, shall be retained where reasonably possible in the landscaped areas. New deciduous trees included in the landscaping plan shall be a minimum of two and one-half (2½) inches in caliper, new small flowering ornamental trees shall be a minimum of six (6) feet in height, and new evergreen trees shall be a minimum of eight (8) feet in height.

**XI. FENCES AND WALLS:** All existing and proposed fences and walls shall be included in the landscape plan submitted and approved as part of the Final Plan.

A. A combination metal picket and brick pier fence measuring six (6) feet in height shall be provided along the property lines adjacent to the townhouse style condominium units.

B. A brick wall measuring four (4) feet in height shall be provided around the rear patio areas of the townhouse style condominium units.

C. The existing eight and one-half (8½) feet high brick wall currently located along the northern property line adjacent to the single family detached unit fronting Gloucester Road and the east townhouse style condominium units shall be repaired and maintained.

D. A fence shall be constructed along the west property line adjacent to 1409 Palmyra Avenue, substantially as shown on the ~~[attached]~~ plans attached to Ord. No. 2008-270-261, adopted November 10, 2008 (the “2008 Plan”). The ~~[attached plans]~~ 2008 Plan shall be deemed to be the Final Plan for the such fence.

**XII. SCREENING:** Dumpsters and loading areas shall be screened in accordance with the regular screening requirements of the zoning ordinance.

**XIII. LIGHTING:** Lighting plans shall be submitted and approved as part of the Final Plan. The lighting plans shall comply with the lighting requirements of Chapter ~~[114]~~ 30 of the Code of the City of Richmond ~~[(2004)]~~ (2020), as amended. Site lighting shall be produced from a shielded source of light. The playground area shown on the Plan shall not be lighted.

**XIV. SIGNAGE:** A comprehensive signage plan for new signs shall be submitted and approved as part of the Final Plan. Existing signs may be modified as to use and print for the Laburnum House, the Preventative Healthcare Center and the private school until a comprehensive signage plan is approved.



A. A temporary construction traffic sign not to exceed sixteen (16) square feet shall be posted at the construction access located on Westwood Avenue at the southeast side of the Property until a final certificate of occupancy is granted for the completed Laburnum Tower.

B. No signage shall be permitted for any incidental uses located in the Laburnum Tower.

C. No more than four (4) freestanding signs shall be permitted on the Property. Freestanding signs shall not exceed eight (8) feet in height. The aggregate square footage of the freestanding signs on the Property shall not exceed [~~sixty-four~~] sixty-four (64) square feet. No one (1) freestanding sign shall exceed sixteen (16) square feet of sign area.

D. No more than five (5) signs attached flat against the buildings shall be permitted on the Property. The aggregate square footage of attached signs on the Property shall not exceed sixty-four (64) square feet. No one (1) sign attached flat against the buildings shall exceed fifteen (15) square feet of sign area.

§ 2. This ordinance shall be in force and effect upon adoption.

II. This amendatory ordinance shall be in force and effect upon adoption.



# City of Richmond

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## Master

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City of Richmond

Intracity Correspondence

**O&R Transmittal**

**DATE:** February 10, 2025

**TO:** The Honorable Members of City Council

**THROUGH:** The Honorable Dr. Danny Avula, Mayor (by request)  
(This in no way reflects a recommendation on behalf of the Mayor)

**THROUGH:** Sabrina Joy-Hogg, Interim Chief Administrative Officer

**THROUGH:** Sharon L. Ebert, DCAO for Economic Development and Planning

**FROM:** Kevin J. Vonck, Director of Planning & Development Review

**RE:** To amend Ord. No. 2008-270-261, adopted Nov. 10, 2008, as previously amended by Ord. No. 2003-296-255, adopted Sep. 8, 2003, which authorized a Community Unit Plan at 1300 Westwood Avenue for a mixed-use development consisting of a maximum of one hundred forty residential units, a community center with reception facility and non-medical office, a preventative healthcare facility, two private schools, and a fifty unit dormitory, and modified the plan for the fence required between the subject property and 1409 Palmyra Avenue, to modify the plan for the development of tennis courts.

**ORD. OR RES. No.**

**PURPOSE:** The applicant is requesting an amendment to a previously approved Community Unit Plan located at 1402 Westwood Avenue. The amendment is to authorize the installation of two tennis courts.

**BACKGROUND:** The property is located in the Laburnum Park neighborhood on Westwood Avenue between Gloucester Road and Lamont Street. It is a part of the larger Veritas School development. The City's Richmond 300 Master Plan designates a future land use for the subject property as Residential, which is defined as a "neighborhood consisting primarily of single-family houses on large- or medium-sized lots more homogeneous in nature." (Richmond 300, p. 80)

Intensity: Buildings are generally one to three stories. Lot sizes generally range up to 5,000 to 20,000+ sq. ft. Residential density of 2 to 10 housing units per acre.

Primary Uses: Single-family houses, accessory dwelling units, and open space.

Secondary Uses: Duplexes and small multi-family buildings (typically 3-10 units), institutional, and cultural. Secondary uses may be found along major streets

The current zoning for the property is I - Institutional District.

**COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT:** Applicant is responsible for community outreach; Additional notification will be made by staff after introduction.

**STRATEGIC INITIATIVES AND OTHER GOVERNMENTAL:** Richmond 300 Master Plan

**FISCAL IMPACT:** \$1,500 application fee.

**DESIRED EFFECTIVE DATE:** Upon adoption

**REQUESTED INTRODUCTION DATE:** March 10, 2025

**CITY COUNCIL PUBLIC HEARING DATE:** April 14, 2025

**REQUESTED AGENDA:** Consent

**RECOMMENDED COUNCIL COMMITTEE:** Planning Commission April 1, 2025

**AFFECTED AGENCIES:** Law Department (for review of draft ordinance)

**RELATIONSHIP TO EXISTING ORD. OR RES.:** Amend Ord. No. 2008-270-261

**ATTACHMENTS:** Application Form, Applicant's Report, Plans, Survey

**STAFF:** Matthew Ebinger, Planning Supervisor, Land Use Administration (Room 511) 646-6308;  
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Application for: **COMMUNITY UNIT PLAN**

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**Application is hereby submitted for:** (check one)

- ☐ preliminary plan ☒ Final Plan  
☐ preliminary plan admendment ☐ Final Plan Admenment

**Project Name/Location**Property Address: 1402 Westwood Avenue, Richmond, VA 23227 Date: 6/6/24Tax Map #: N0001330085 Fee: \$1,500Total area of affected site in acres: 1.836

(See page 7 for fee schedule, please make check payable to the "City of Richmond")

**Zoning**Current Zoning: I - Institutional with Community Unit PlanExisting Use: Paved Surface Parking**Proposed Use**

(Please include a detailed description of the proposed use in the required applicant's report)

Tennis CourtsExisting Use: Paved Surface Parking

Is this property subject to any previous land use cases?

Yes

No

☒☐If Yes, please list the Ordinance Number: Ordinance No. 2003-296-255 as amended by  
Ordinance No. 2008-270-261**Applicant/Contact Person:** Jennifer MullenCompany: Roth Jackson Gibbons Condlin, PLCMailing Address: 1519 Summit Avenue, Suite 102City: RichmondState: VAZip Code: 23230Telephone: ( 804 ) 977-3374Fax: ( 804 ) 441-8438Email: jmulen@rothjackson.com**Property Owner:** Veritas School Properties LLC

If Business Entity, name and title of authorized signee: \_\_\_\_\_

(The person or persons executing or attesting the execution of this Application on behalf of the Company certifies that he or she has or have been duly authorized and empowered to so execute or attest.)

Mailing Address: 3400 Brook RoadCity: RichmondState: VAZip Code: 23227-4536Telephone: (            )           Fax: (            )           

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

DocuSigned by:

**Property Owner Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_Douglas Kinard

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The names, addresses, telephone numbers and signatures of all owners of the property are required. Please attach additional sheets as needed. If a legal representative signs for a property owner, please attach an executed power of attorney. **Faxed or photocopied signatures will not be accepted.****NOTE:** Please attach the required plans, checklist, and a check for the application fee (see Filing Procedures for community unit plans)

July 9, 2024

Mr. Matthew Ebinger  
City of Richmond  
Department of Planning and Development Review  
Land Use Administration Division, Room 511  
City Hall, 900 East Broad Street  
Richmond, Virginia 23219

Jennifer D. Mullen  
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RE: Community Unit Plan Final Plan: 1402 Westwood Avenue

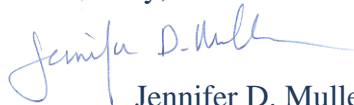
Dear Matthew:

This letter shall serve as the Applicant's Report accompanying the application for a Community Unit Plan Final Plan (the "Final Plan") for the property known as 1402 Westwood Avenue, identified as Tax Parcel N000-1330/085 (the "Property") to construct six (6) tennis courts with fencing surrounding the courts for the Veritas School. The Property is approximately 1.836 acres and is part of the Veritas School campus, which includes multiple buildings used for academics, arts and administration offices, as well as athletic fields and facilities. The Property is zoned I – Institutional with Community Unit Plan, originally adopted by Ordinance No. 2003-296-255 on September 8, 2003 and amended by Ordinance No. 2008-270-261 on October 13, 2008 ("CUP"). The CUP regulates the use of multiple properties generally between Westwood Avenue to the south, Palmyra Avenue to the north, Gloucester Road to the west and Lamont Street to the east. The CUP authorized multifamily residential units, a community center with reception facility and non-medical office, a preventative healthcare facility, two private schools, and a fifty-unit dormitory.

The Final Plan would authorize the construction of six (6) tennis courts for the Veritas School's tennis program in the location of a former surface parking lot. The tennis courts are consistent with the existing CUP as a school facility and compatible with the surrounding neighborhood where tennis courts previously existed on an adjacent parcel. The tennis courts and fence surrounding the courts (i) adequately safeguard the health, safety and welfare of the occupants of the adjoining and surrounding property; (ii) will not unreasonably impair an adequate supply of light and air to adjacent property; (iii) will not unreasonably increase congestion in streets; (iv) will not unreasonably increase public danger from fire or otherwise unreasonably affect public safety; and (v) will not diminish or impair the established values of property in surrounding areas.

Thank you for your time and consideration of this request. Please let me know if you have any questions.

Sincerely,



Jennifer D. Mullen

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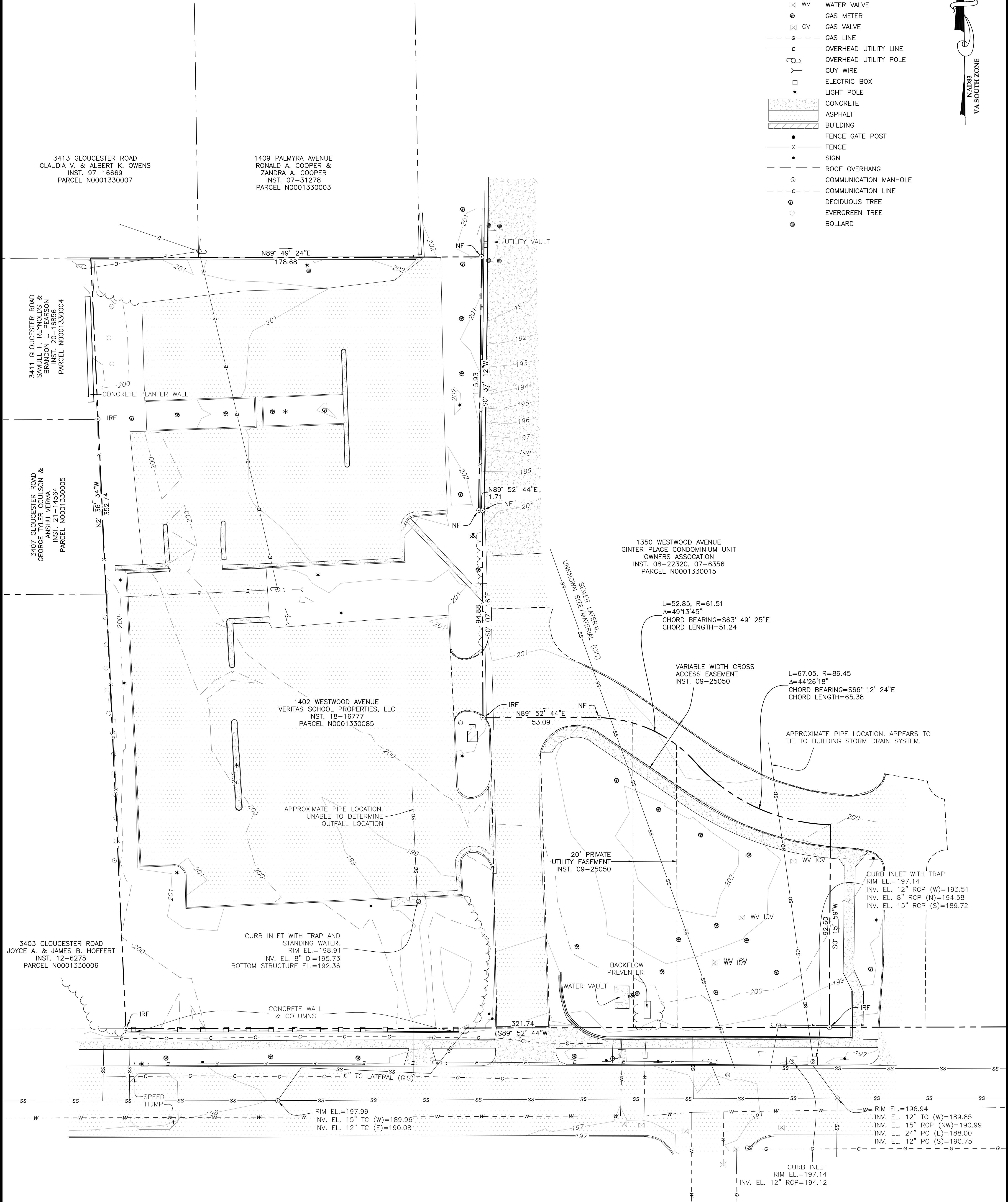
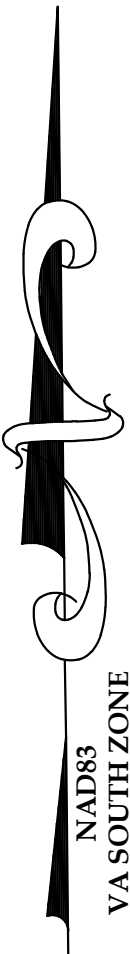


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⊗ GM GAS METER  
⊗ GV GAS VALVE  
— G — GAS LINE  
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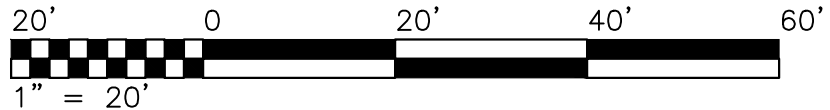


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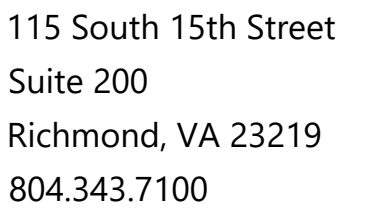
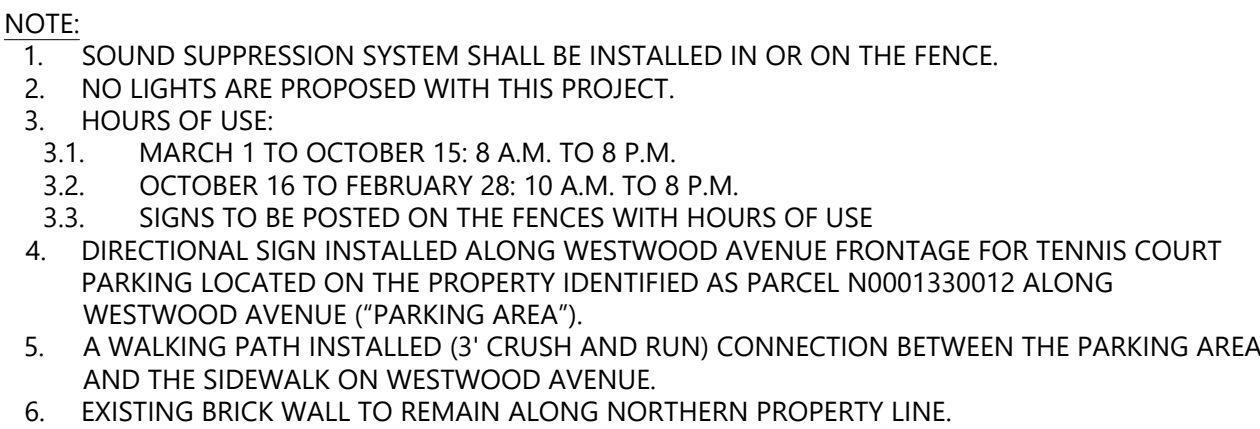
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No.	Revision	Date	Appvd.
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2	Added Notes	05/07/25	

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**Site Plan** **January 28, 2025**

Site Plan  
For Review

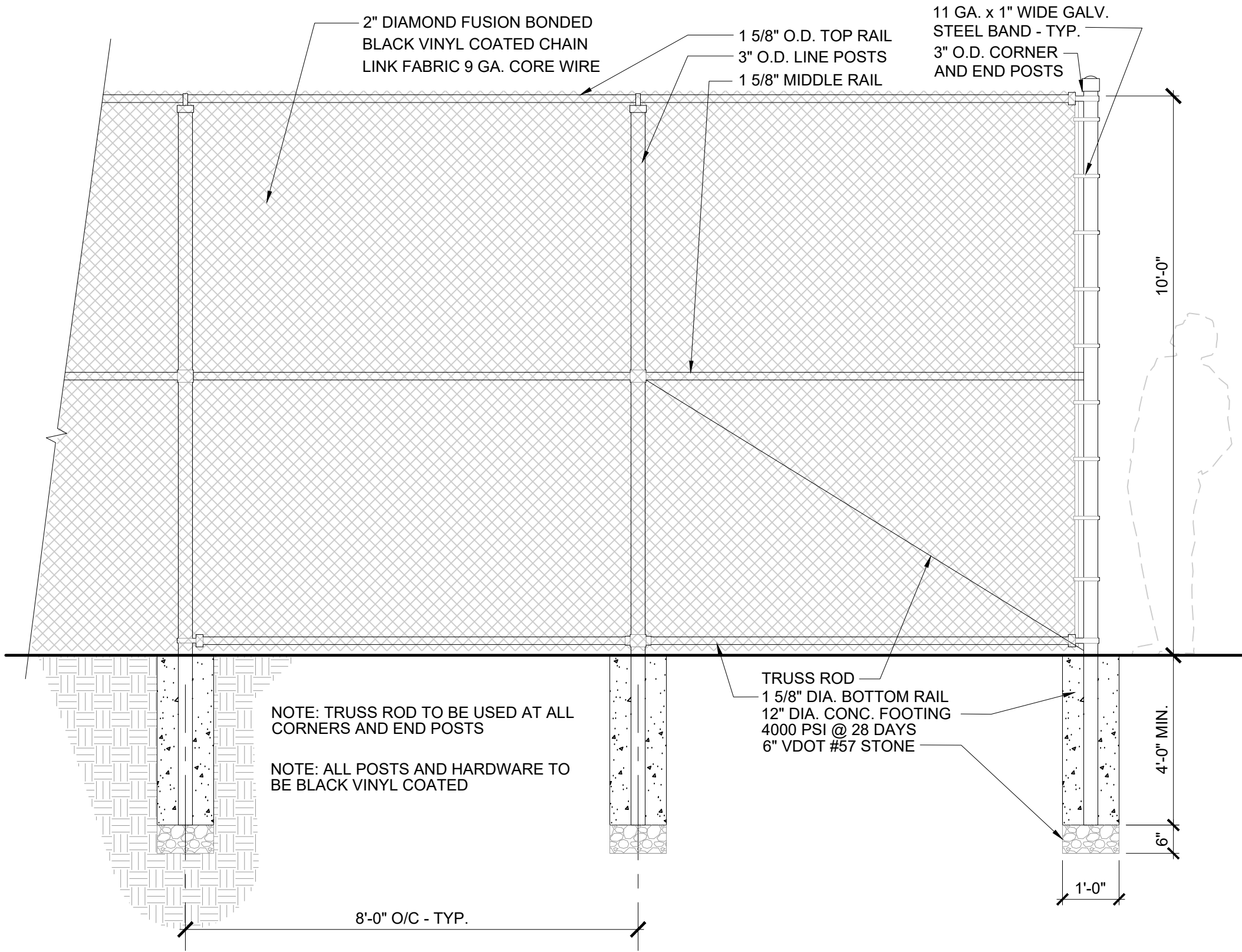
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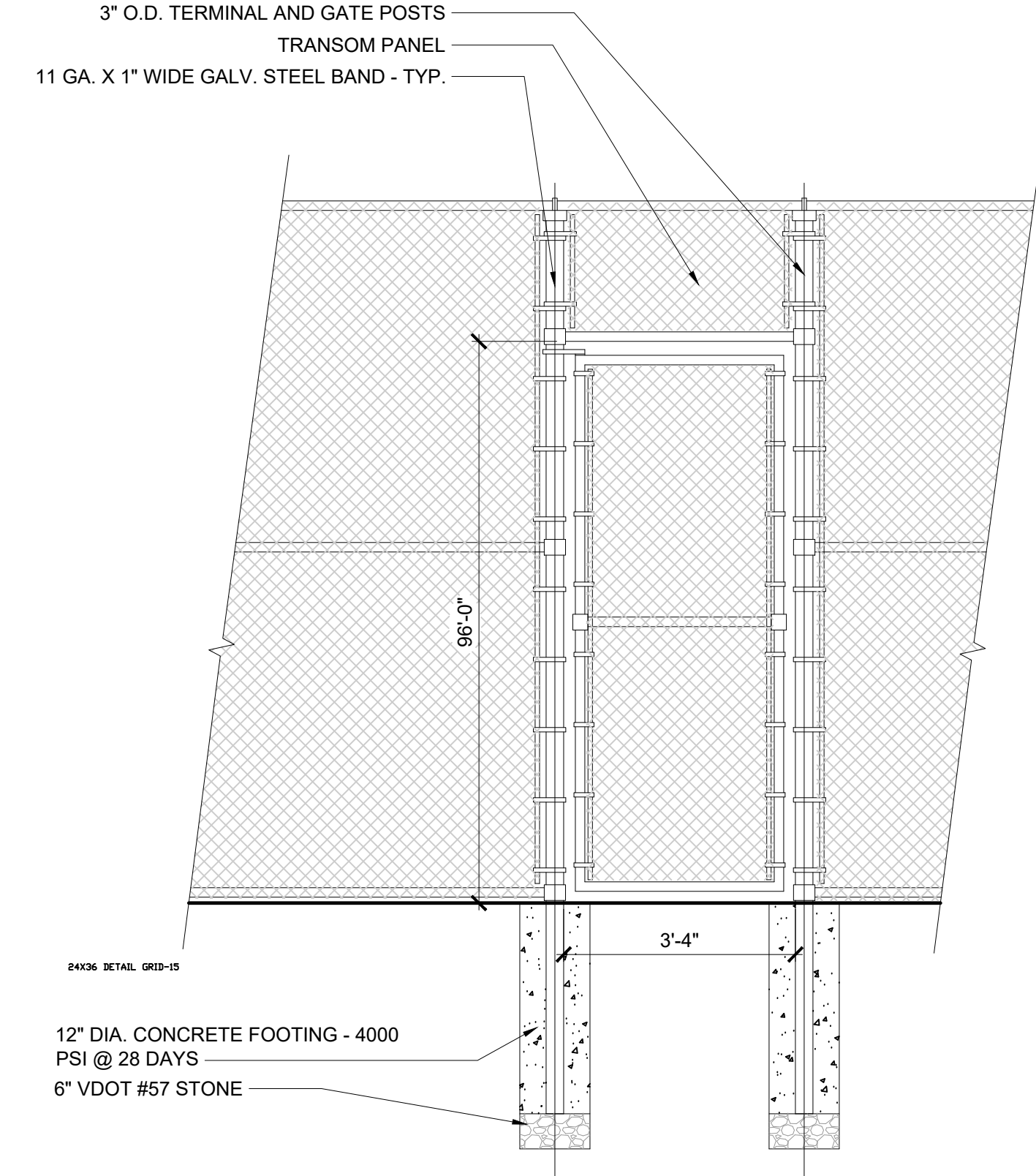
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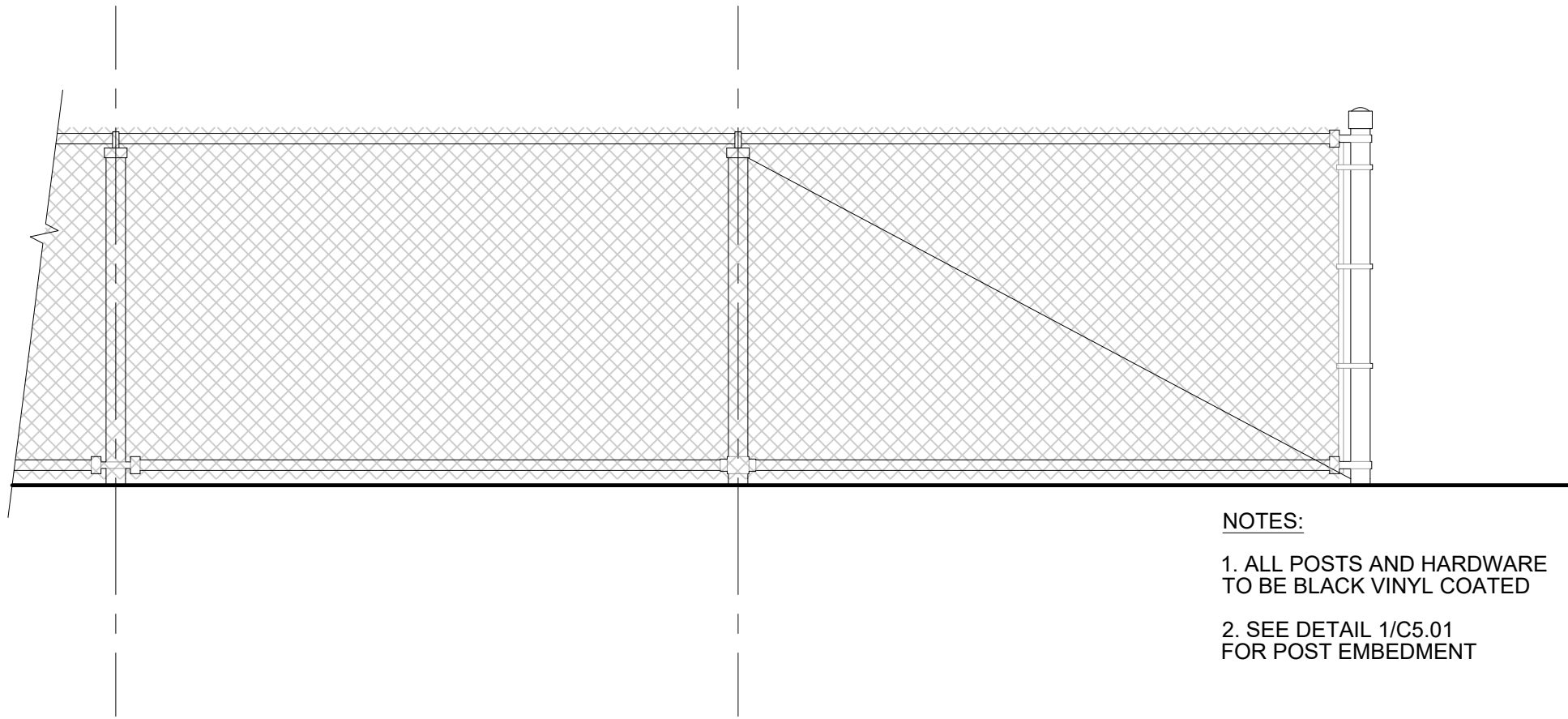
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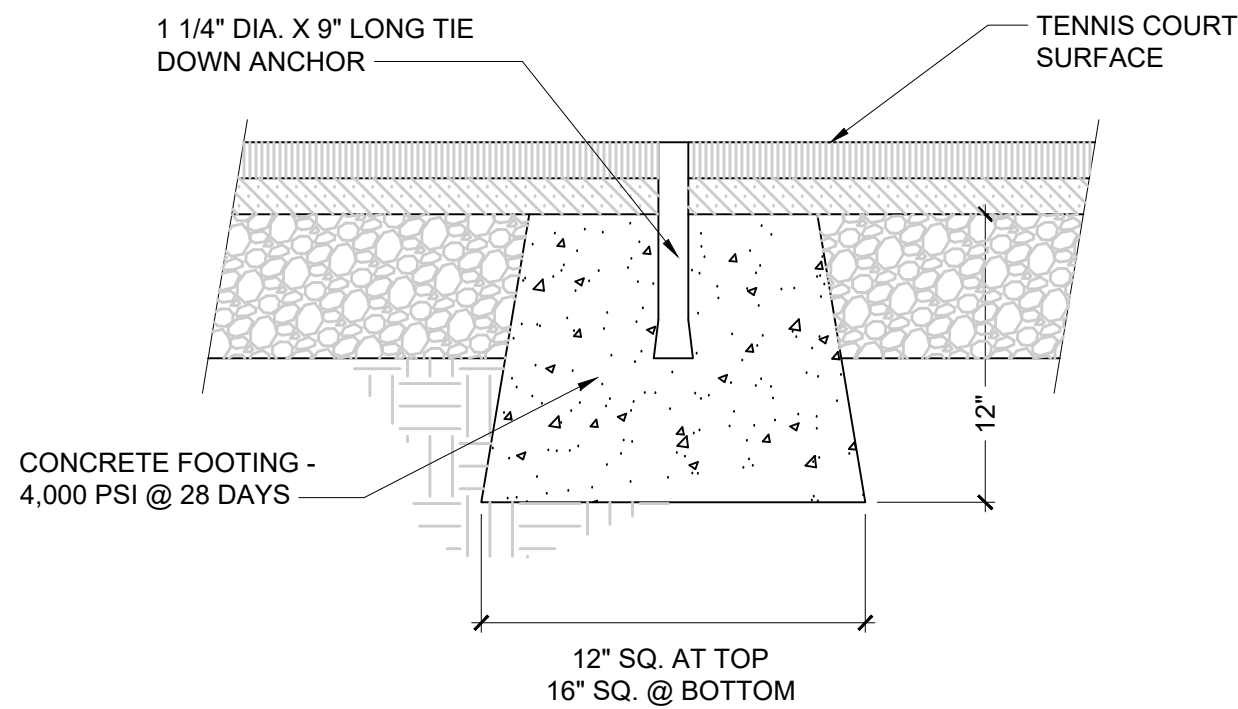
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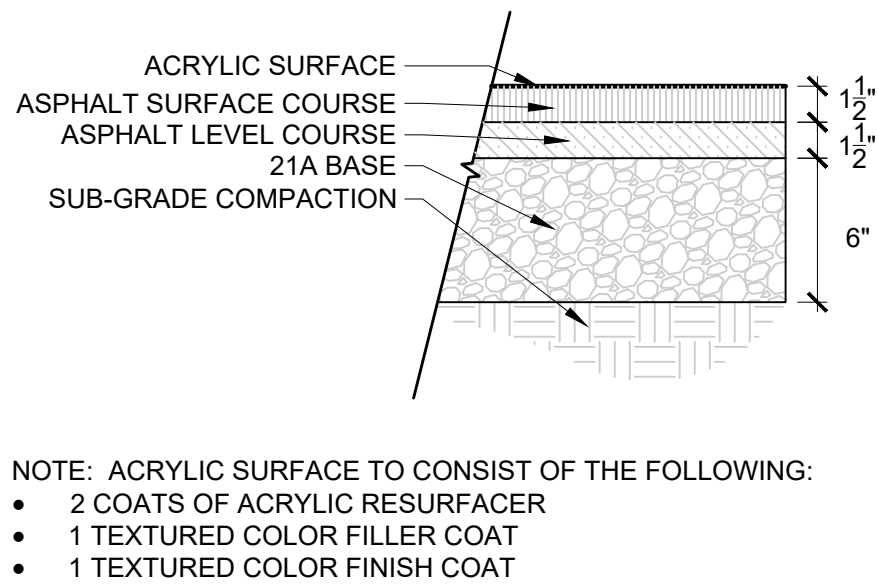
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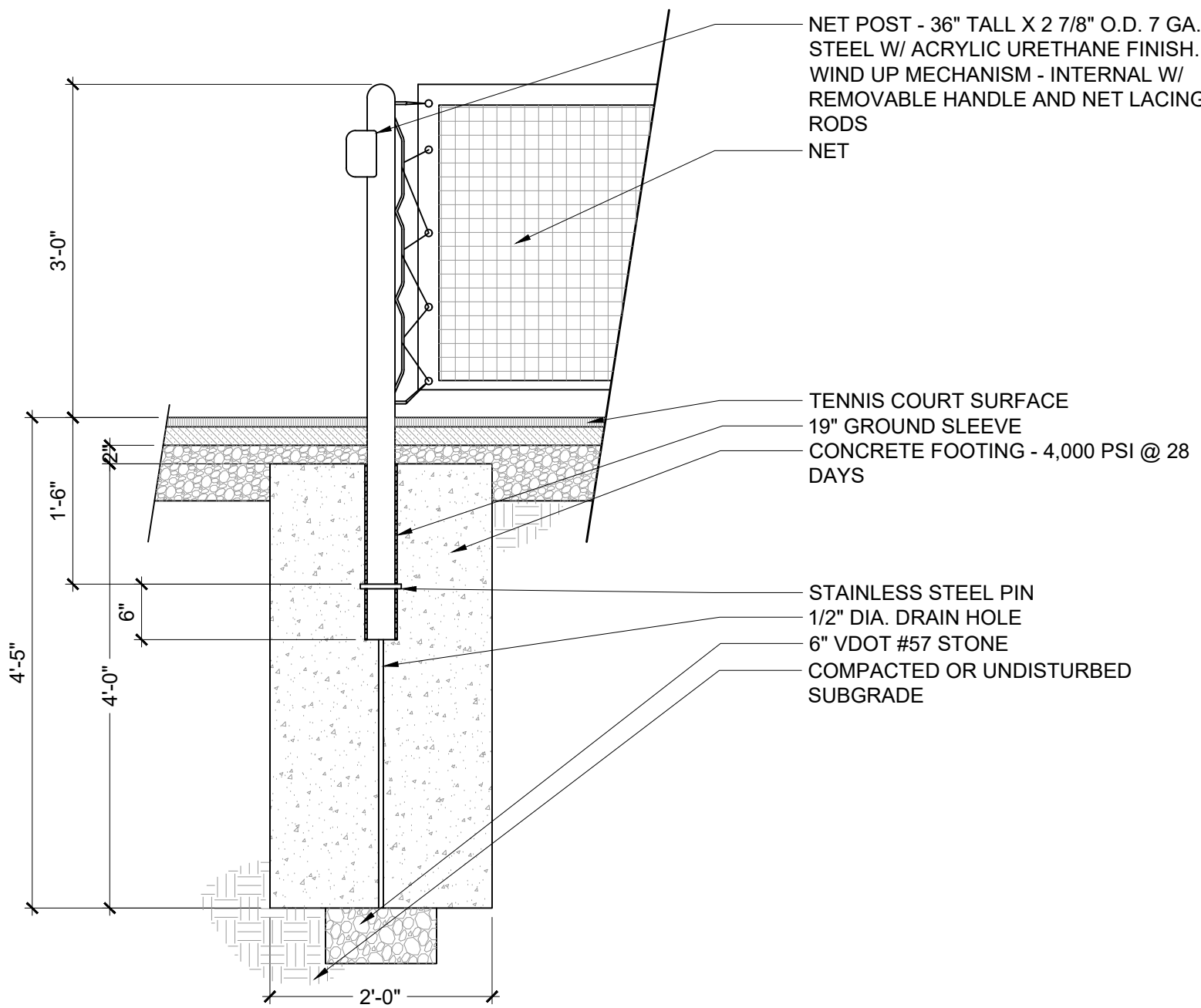
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## Veritas Tennis Facility

1402 Westwood Ave  
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Designed by	Checked by
WLJ	RJB

Owner Review September 13, 2024

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