

Commonwealth of Massachusetts Division of Professional Licensure Office of Public Safety and Inspections Architectural Access Board

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(Office Use Only)

APPLICATION FOR VARIANCE

INSTRUCTIONS:

- 1) Answer all questions on this application to the best of your ability.
 - a. Information on the Variance Process can be found at: https://www.mass.gov/guides/applying-for-an-aab-variance.
- 2) Attach whatever documents you feel are necessary to meet the standard of impracticability laid out in 521 CMR 4.1. You must show that either:
 - a. Compliance is technologically infeasible, or
 - b. Compliance would result in an excessive and unreasonable cost without any substantial benefit for persons with disabilities.
- 3) Sign the certification on Page 8.
- 4) If the applicant is not the owner of the building or his or her agent, include a signed letter from the owner granting permission for you to apply for variance.
- 5) Serve copies of the completed application and all attachments via electronic or physical delivery based on the recipient's preference to:
 - a. Local Building Department,
 - b. Local Commission on Disability (if applicable in the town where the project is located) (A list of all active Disability Commissions can be found at: https://www.mass.gov/commissions-on-disability), and
 - c. The Independent Living Center (ILC) for your area.

 (Your ILC can be found at: http://www.masilc.org/findacenter.)
- 6) Complete the Service Notice included with the Application and sign it.
- 7) Deliver the completed Application and all attachments to the Board via electronic or physical delivery:
 - a. Electronic:
 - i. Applications should be sent via email to <u>william.joyce@mass.gov</u> & <u>bradley.souders@mass.gov</u>.
 - ii. The email submission must have the subject line: Variance Application <Address>, <City>
 - iii. The application and all attachments must be in .pdf format
 - iv. The application and all attachments should be included in a single email, except where that email would exceed 15 megabytes in size.
 - v. Please submit the \$50 filing fee via check or money order via mail to the mailing address listed above with either a cover letter or, "Variance <Address>, <City>" in the memo line.
 - b. Physical
 - i. Applications should be sent to the mailing address listed above and must include:
 - 1. The completed application and all attachments.
 - 2. A copy of the application and all attachments on a CD/DVD (Thumb Drives will not be accepted),

- 3. The completed and signed Service Notice.
- 4. A check or money order in the amount of \$50 dollars, made out to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.
- ii. Please ensure that all documents included are no larger than 11" x 17".
- iii. Incomplete applications will be returned via regular mail to the applicant with an explanation as why it was unable to be docketed.

In accordance with M.G.L., c.22, § 13A, I hereby apply for modification of or substitution for the rules and regulations of the Architectural Access Board as they apply to the building/facility described below on the grounds that literal compliance with the Board's regulations is impracticable in my case.

State the name and address of the building/facility:

690-694 Broadway Somerville, Massachusetts 02143

State the name and address of the <u>owner</u> of the building/facility:

Tom Risclli 690-694 BROADWAY SOMETHYLLE, MA

E-mail: TJRISHUEGMAN. COM

Telephone: 617 - 504 - 5625

3. Describe the facility (i.e. number of floors, type of functions, use, etc.):

The existing building is one story, characterized by a series of storefronts along Broadway. The project scope entails the adaptive refit of the two northernmost existing retail spaces into a single cannabis dispensary. The existing retail entries are to remain, repurposed into a separate dispensary entry and exit.

The existing sidewalk serving the existing retail entries is roughly 6 1/2" lower in elevation than the entry door sills at the property line. The elevation change is presently bridged by two small, non-compliant ramps in the door alcoves.

Total square footage of the building/facility: 3,736 sq. ft.	
Per floor: 3,736 sq. ft.	
a. Total square footage of tenant space (if applicable): 3,736 sq. ft.	
i. What was the original year of construction for the building/facility:	?
6. Check the nature of the work performed or to be performed:	
New Construction Addition	
Reconstruction/Remodeling/Alteration Change of Use	
 Briefly describe the extent and nature of the work performed or to be performed additional sheets if necessary): 	ormed (use
mechanical systems will be slightly modified. The scope does not exterior work except signage.	include any
3. Is the building or facility historically significant? OYes No	
a. If yes, check one of the following and indicate date of listing:	
☐ National Historic Landmark	
Listed individually on the National Register of Historic Places_	
Located in a Registered Historic District	
Listed in the State Register of Historic Places	
Eligible for listing	(In which registry?)
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	historical significance of the building, you <i>must</i> complete the ADA Consultation Process of the <u>Massachusetts Historical Commission</u> , located at 220 Morrissey Boulevard, Boston, MA 02125.	
9.	Which section(s) of the Board's Jurisdiction (see Section 3 of the Board's Regulations) has been triggered?	
	2.6 3.2 3.3.1(a) 3.3.1(b) 3.3.2 3.3.4 3.4 3.4	
10.	ist <u>all</u> building permits that have been applied for within the past 36 months, include the saue date and the listed value of the work performed:	
	Permit # Date of Issuance	
E	2-000799 SPT. 2022 \$750,000	_
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	(Use additional sheets if necessary.)	_
11.	ist the anticipated construction cost for any work not yet permitted or for any relevant wo which does not require a permit: \$ 0.00	rk -
12.	Has a certificate of occupancy been issued for the facility? OYes No	
	f yes, state the date it was issued:	
13.	To the best of your knowledge, has a complaint ever been filed with the AAB on this building or facility relative to accessibility? OYES NO	
	a. If so, list the AAB docket number of the complaint	=0
14.	For existing buildings or facilities, state the actual assessed valuation of the BUILDING/IMPROVEMENTS ONLY, as recorded in the Assessor's Office of the	
	nunicipality in which the building or facility is located: 4 1,105, 100	
	s the assessment at 100%?	
	f not, what is the town's current assessment ratio?	
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15.	State the phase of design or construction of the facility as of the date of this application: Demolition of previous tenant finishes	

b. If you checked any of the above $\underline{\text{and}}$ your variance request is primarily based upon the

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Request #1	Types of Attachments for this Request:			
Section(s) for which you are seeking relief: 521 CMR 24	Floor/Site Plans, Cost Estimates, Photographs, Test Drawings,			
Are you seeking temporary relief Yes No	Other(s):			
If yes, when do you propose to be in compliance by:	?			
Please describe in detail why compliance with the Board's regular 521 CMR 5) for the subject of this request, and attach whatever dyour argument that compliance is impracticable (attach additional which request each attachment is in support of):	ocuments are relevant to support			
According to code, ramps cannot run all the way to door thresholds and their maximum inclination is limited. The existing alcove ramps at the retail entries do not comply. To create full compliance would require the removal and reconstruction of approximately 8'-0" (linear) of floor system all along the Broadway-facing exterior wall to lower the entries ±6.5" and install new 1:12 ramps within the tenant space. This would also require the removal and replacement of two basement lally columns, re-working existing heavy-timber beam, gas main relocations, electric meter relocations, electric panel and service relocations, water line relocations. The modifications would cost approximately \$250,000 to execute as well as create hardship in construction delays to have utility services modified at point of entry to the building. Applicant seeks to maintain existing ramps.				
Request #2	Types of Attachments for this Request:			
Request #2 Section(s) for which you are seeking relief:	Floor/Site Plans, Cost Estimates, Photographs, Test Drawings,			
·	Floor/Site Plans, Cost Estimates,			
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Section(s) for which you are seeking relief: Are you seeking temporary relief Yes No	Floor/Site Plans, Cost Estimates, Photographs, Test Drawings, Other(s):		
Section(s) for which you are seeking relief:	Floor/Site Plans, Cost Estimates, Photographs, Test Drawings, Other(s):		

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If you require more than 4 requests, please use the *Additional Request Sheet* and complete the *Large Variance Tally Sheet*, both of which are available on the "Forms and Applications" page of the Board's website (http://www.mass.gov/aab).

17. State the name and address of the architectural or engineering firm, including the name of the individual architect or engineer responsible for preparing drawings of the facility:

Sousa Design Architects Attn: Dennis Greenwood 81 Boylston Street, 2nd Floor Brookline, Massachusetts

E-mail: dennis@sousadesign.com

Telephone: 617 879-9100

18. State the name and address of the building inspector responsible for overseeing this project:

JOSEPH SALAMONE
1 FRANKY PD
SOMETIVELY NA 02145

E-mail: JSALAMONE @ SOMERVILLEMA.GOV

Telephone: 617-625-6600 x 5600

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I DECLARE UNDER THE PENALTY OF PERJURY THAT THE INFORMATION PROVIDED IN THIS APPLICATION AND SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION IS TRUE AND CORRECT

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Signature of owner or authorized agent (required)

PLEASE PRINT:

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Organization (If Applicable)					
81 BOYLSTON S	it				
Address					
2MD PLOOP					
Address 2 (optional)					
BROOKLINE	MA	02445			
City/Town	State	Zip Code			
DENNIS @ SOUSADESIAN. COM					
E-mail					
617.879.9100					

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SERVICE NOTICE

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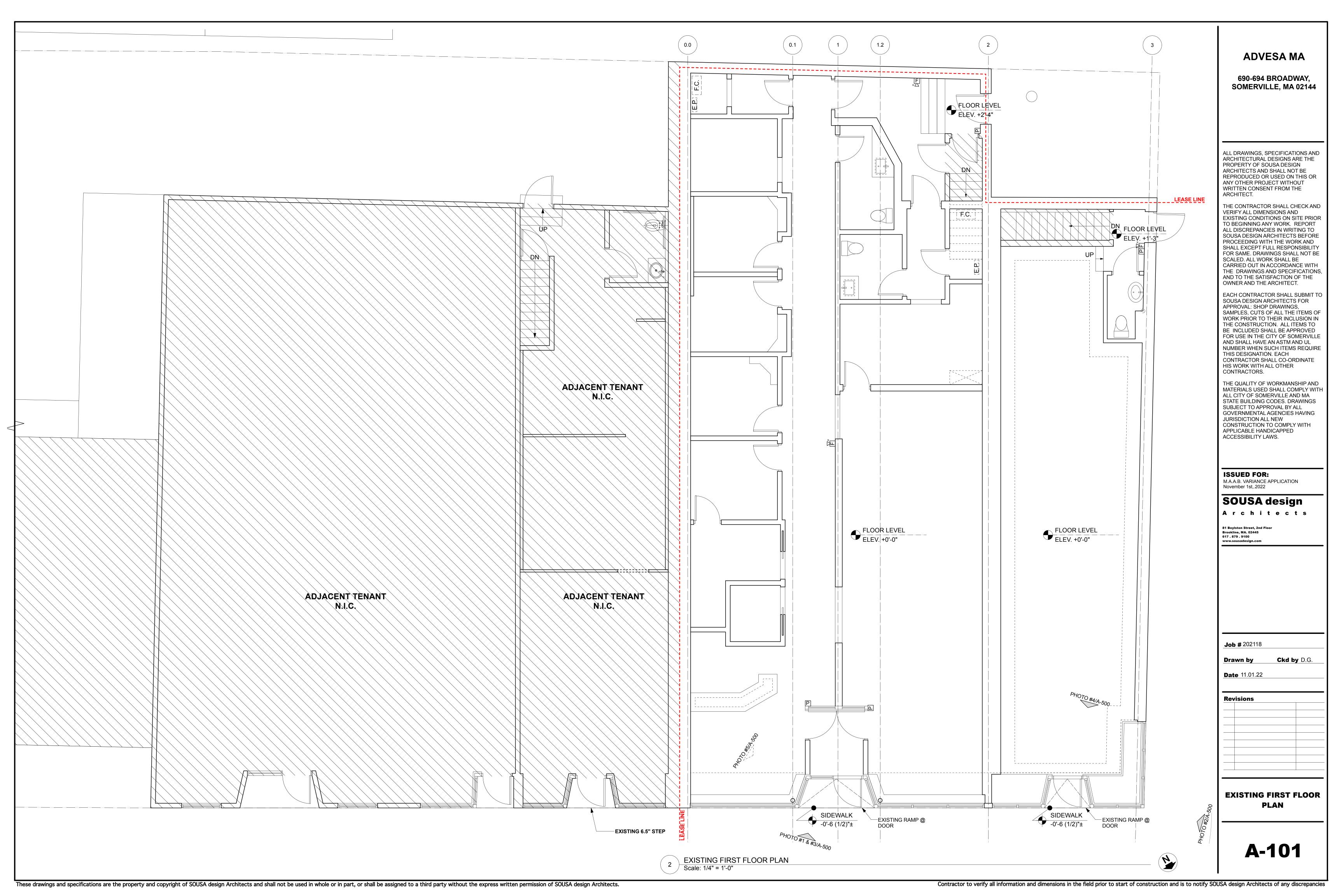
HEREBY CERTIFY UNDER THE PAINS AND PENALTIES OF PERJURY THAT I SERVED OR CAUSED TO BE SERVED, A COPY OF THIS VARIANCE APPLICATION ON THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IN THE FOLLOWING MANNER:

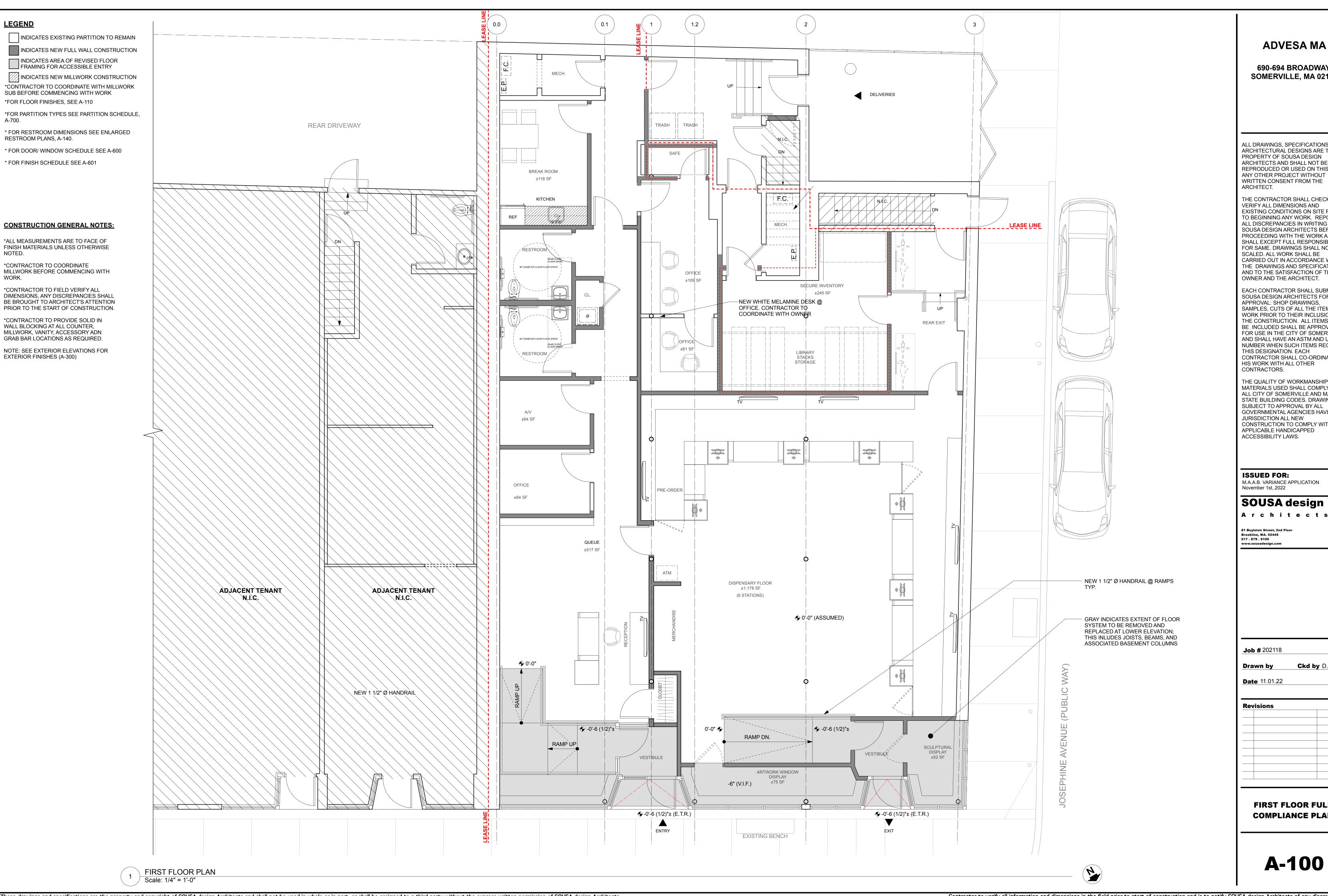
NAME A	AND ADDRESS OF PERSON OR AGENCY SERVED	METHOD OF SERVICE	DATE OF SERVICE
1 Building Department	INSPECTIONAL SERVICES DEPT. 1 FRANKY PD SOMERVILLE, MA 02145 ATTN: NICHOLAS ANTANAVICA	EMAIL	11/23/22
2 Local Commission on Disability (If Applicable)	COMMISSION FOR PERSONS W DISABILITIES BONNIE DENIS CITY HALL MAYOR'S OFFICE 93 HIGHLAND AVE SOMETIVILLE, MA 02143	EMAIL	11/28/22
3 Independent Living Center	ROSTON CENTER FOR INDEPENDENT HUING 100 TEMPLE PLACE, 5th FLOOP BOSTON, MA 02111 ATTN: MICHAEL MUETTE & BILL HPINNING	EMAIL	11/23/22

Signature Signature

Date

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690-694 BROADWAY, **SOMERVILLE, MA 02144**

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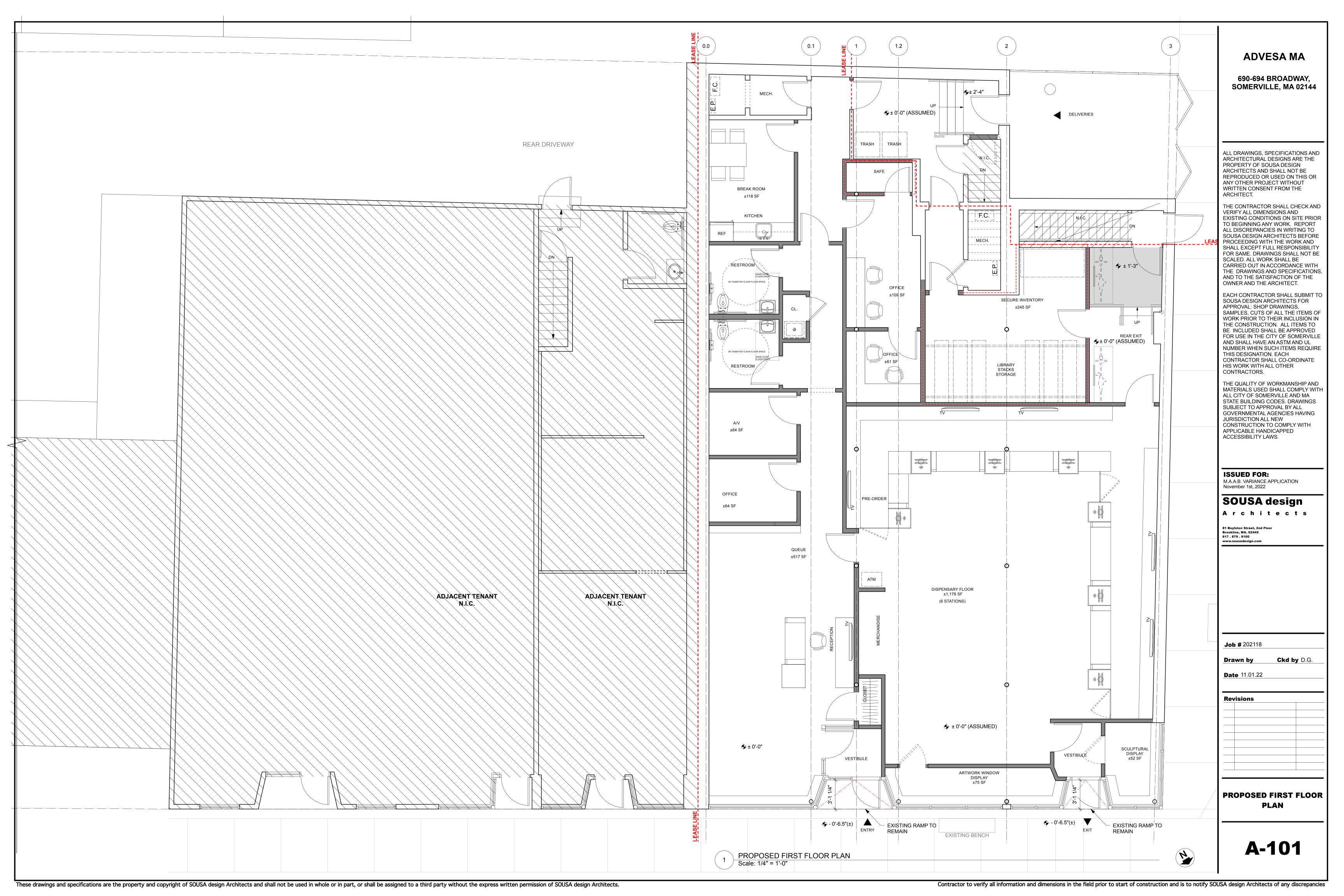
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FIRST FLOOR FULL **COMPLIANCE PLAN**

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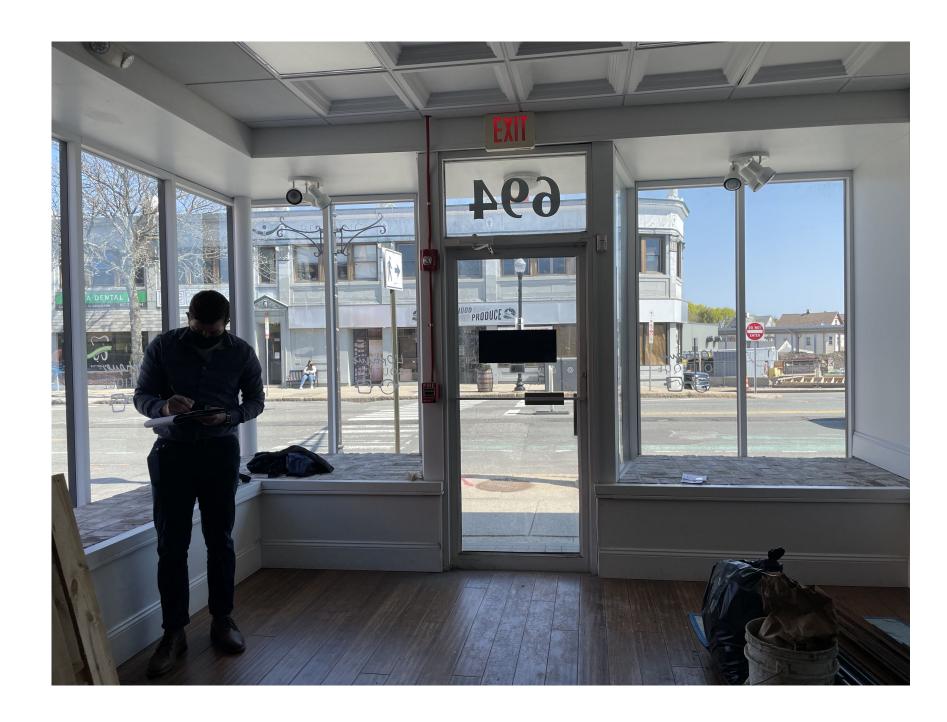


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VIEW OF PROJECT SITE FROM ACROSS BROADWAY







4 EXISTING ENTRY, INTERIOR



VIEW OF PROJECT SITE FROM ACROSS JOSEPHINE AVENUE

APPROXIMATE EXTENT OF FLOOR REMOVAL UNDER FULL COMPLIANCE PLAN



VIEW FROM BASEMENT AT BROADWAY FOUNDATION WALL SHOWING LALLY COLUMN, PORTION OF HEAVY TIMBER BEAM, FIRE ALARM CONDUIT, AND JOIST SYSTEM SUBJECT TO REMOVAL AND REPLACEMENT UNDER FULL COMPLIANCE PLAN

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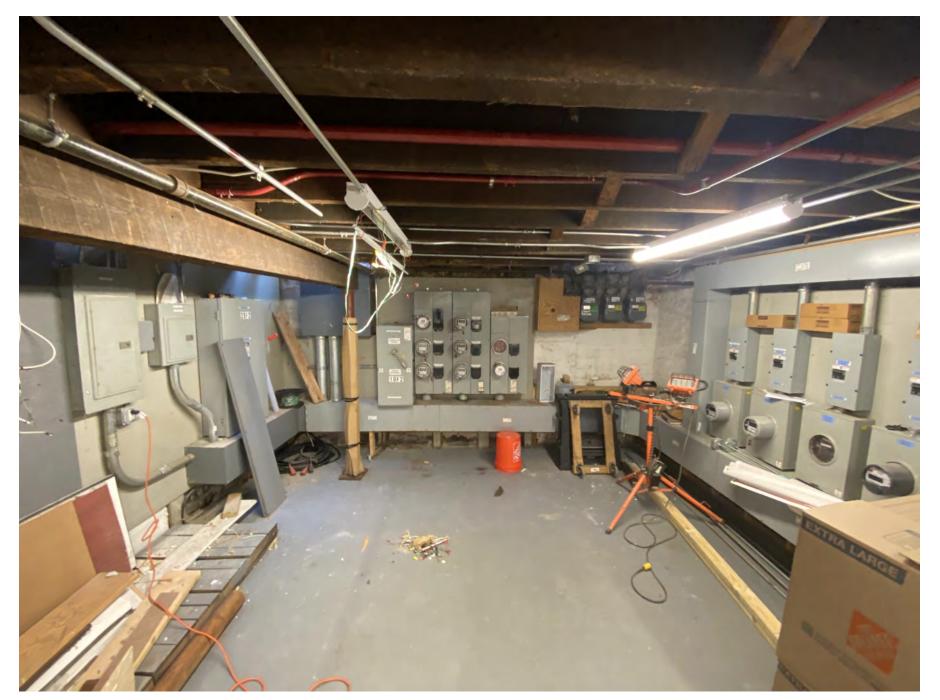
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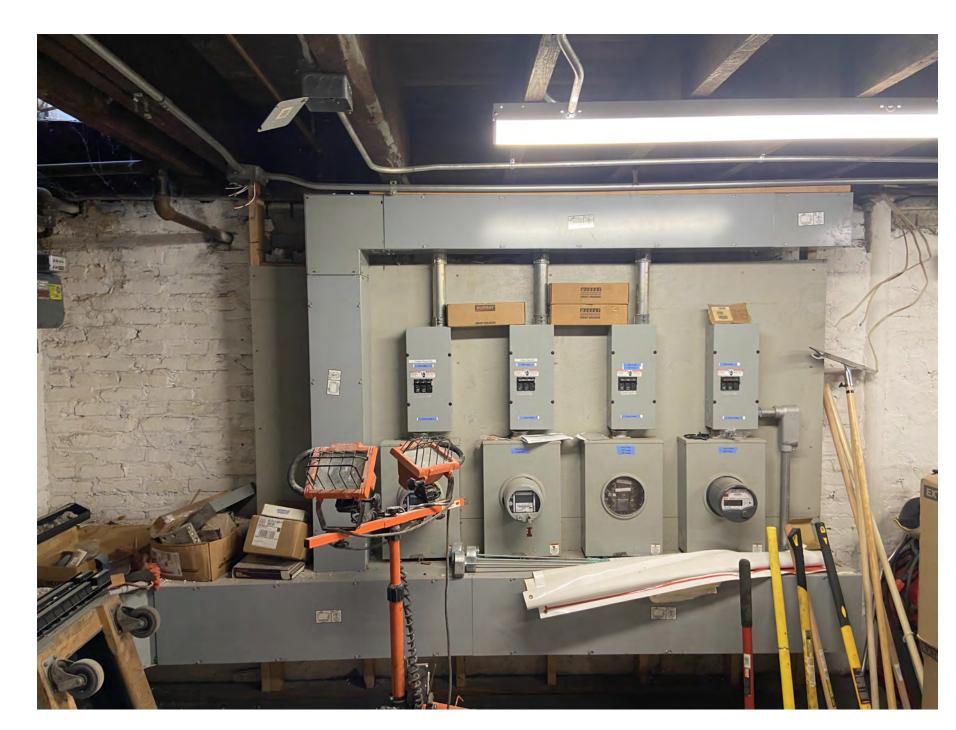
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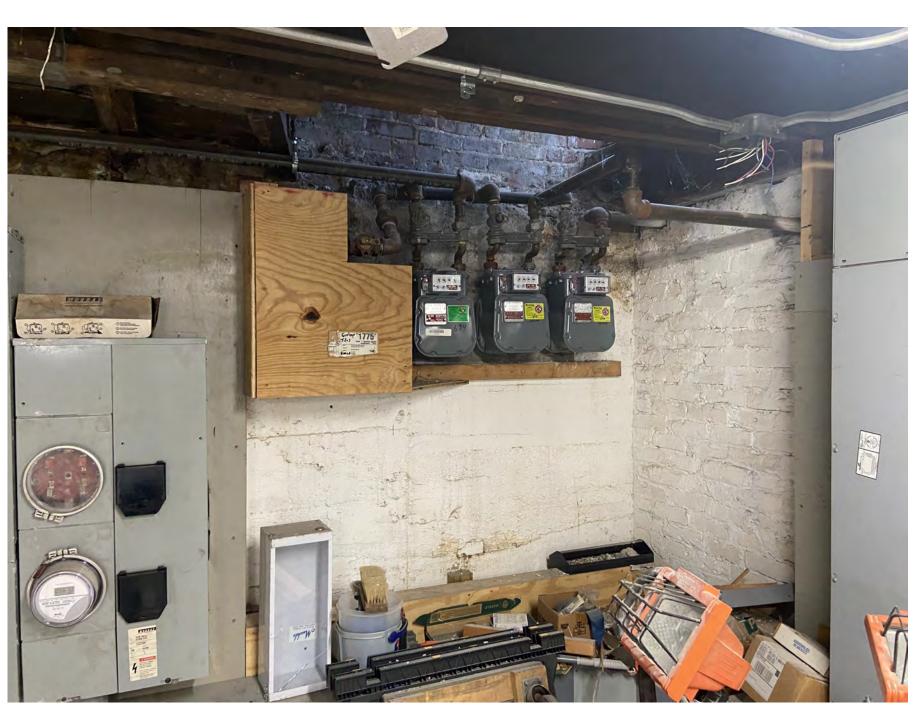
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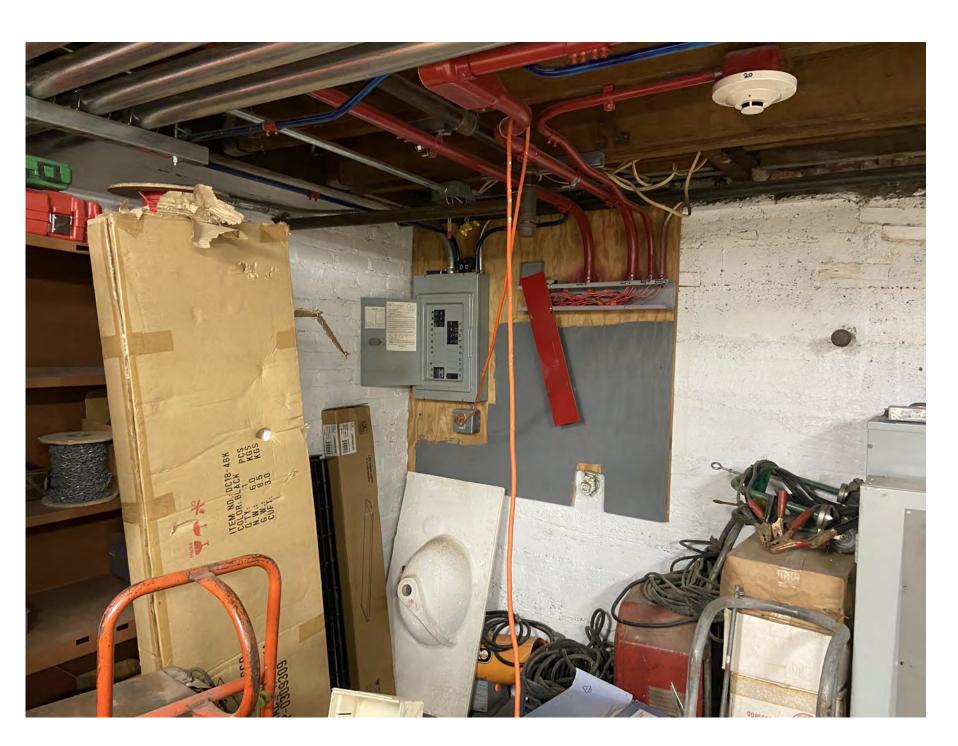
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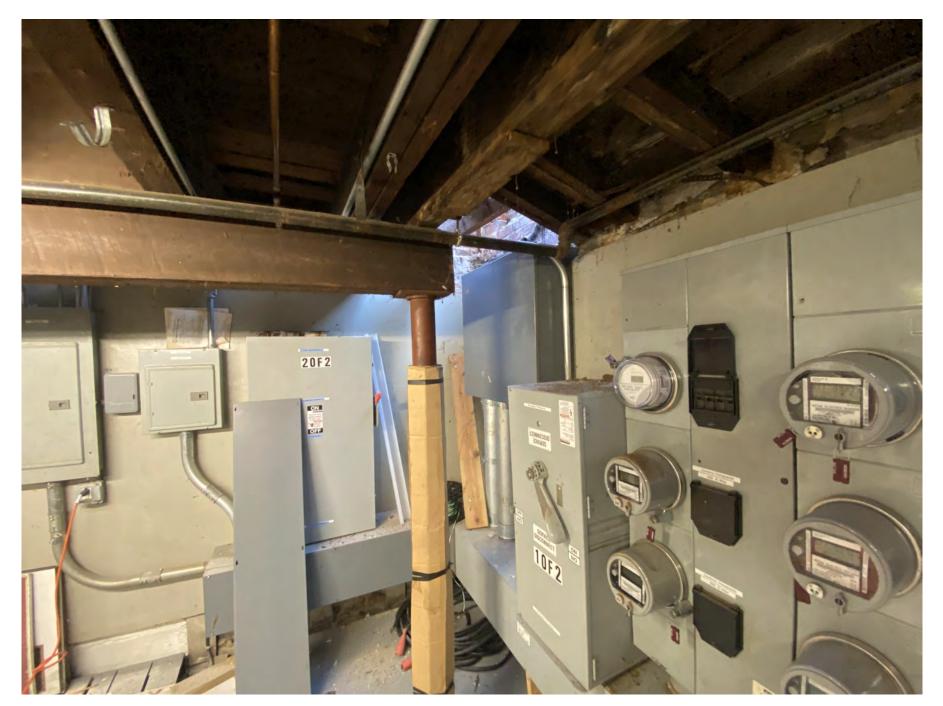
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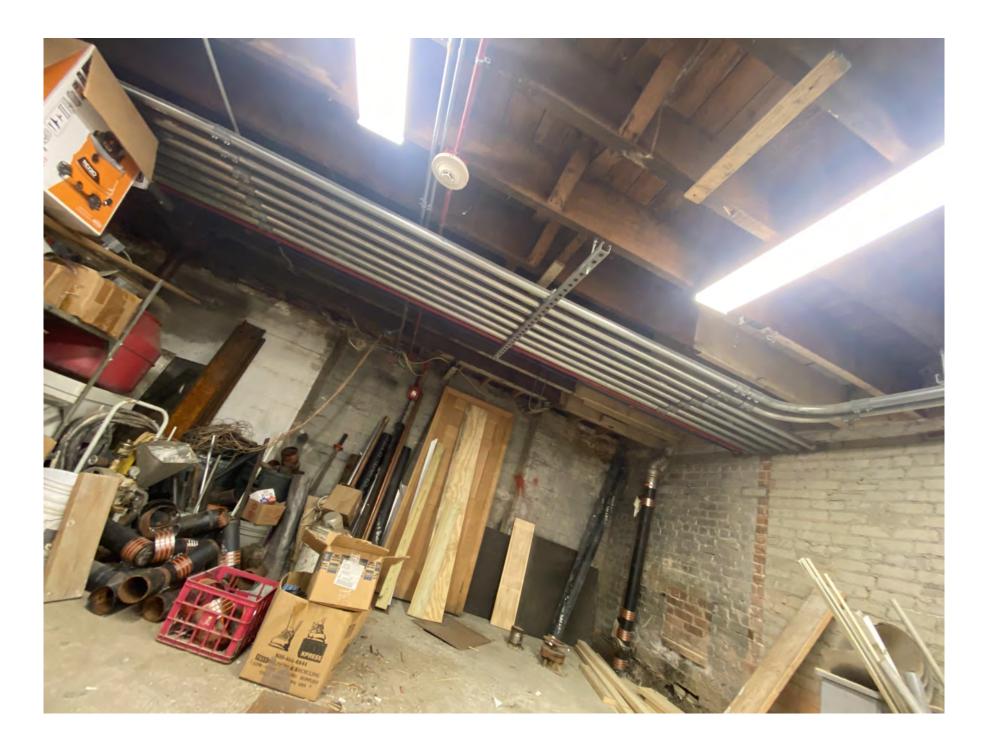




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EXISTING PHOTO OF BASEMENT Scale: 1/4" = 1'-0"



ENLARGED PHOTO SHOWING FIRE ALARM CONDUIT AND ELECTRICAL DISTRIBUTION THAT WOULD NEED TO BE RELOCATED TO LOWER THE FLOOR FRAMING AS PART OF FULL COMPLIANCE PLAN



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