# Union Leaf 71-72 Union Square Somerville, Massachusetts

# Transportation Access Plan



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### **PROJECT SUMMARY**

Design Consultants, Inc. (DCI) has been contracted by the Client, Union Leaf, to prepare a Transportation Access Plan (TAP) for the proposed project at 71-72 Union Square ("Project") in Somerville. The following background information pertains to the proposed Project.

### **Project Name and Street Address:**

Union Leaf 71-72 Union Square Somerville, MA 02143

### Project Location including Adjacent Intersections:

The Project site is located in the Union Square neighborhood of Somerville in a commercial and residential area. The site is located on the northwest corner of a dead-end parking lot, which is accessed by either Washington Street or Bonner Avenue. The closest major intersections to the Project site are:

- Washington Street at Prospect Street and Bonner Avenue (Unsignalized)
- Somerville Avenue at Washington Street and Prospect Street (Signalized)

### Project Plans Included:

- 1. Illustrative Site Plan
- 2. Transportation Elements Plan
- 3. Pedestrian Access Plan
- 4. Bicycle Parking Plan
- 5. Motor Vehicle Movement Plan



### SITE ACCESS

The Project site is bound by existing roadways, sidewalks, and retail spaces. There will be vehicle access to the parking lot directly in front of the site, accessed via Bonner Avenue or Washington Street. There will be two (2) separate entrances for the site: one (1) entrance to the retail space on the first floor and one (1) entrance to the office and education space on the second and third floors.

### Site Plans

The Site Plans that will be accompanying this application have been attached to this document for reference. These plans include graphics that highlight the ground level floor plan and planned vehicular, bicycle, and pedestrian accommodations.

### ILLUSTRATIVE SITE PLAN

The Illustrative Site Plan shows the ground level floor plan. The interior floor plan color-differentiates each of the individual spaces, including the retail space and common areas. (see Figure C-101 attached in the Appendix).

### TRANSPORTATION ELEMENTS PLAN

The Transportation Elements Plan depicts multiple elements both on-site and off-site that will be added, removed, or are proposed to remain. As part of this redevelopment, the site will redevelop the existing retail space. The following is a list of elements that are proposed to remain, be added, or be removed (see Figure C-102 attached in the Appendix):

### Remain (in grey on plan)

- Building footprint
- All signage in the plaza and along all of the surrounding roadways
- Parking space pavement markings in parking lot in front of building
- All sidewalks along Somerville Avenue, Washington Street, Bonner Street, and plaza (unless reconstructed by the City of Somerville)

### Proposed (exterior in blue, interior in black on plan)

- All interior site elements
- Potential short-term bicycle parking area

### Removed (in red on plan)

- All existing interior site elements

### PEDESTRIAN ACCESS PLAN

As part of the Project, there will be one (1) point of access to the first floor Dispensary and one (1) point of access to the second and third floor spaces. Both points of access will be along the existing site frontage, accessed via an existing sidewalk and plaza area. Sidewalk and plaza widths along Somerville Avenue, Washington Street, and other surrounding streets that connect to the Project site are noted. A plan depicting the building entrance locations is provided (see Figure C-103 attached in the Appendix).



### **BICYCLE PARKING PLAN**

Long-term bicycle parking is proposed in the basement and short-term bicycle parking will be provided in coordination with the City of Somerville. According to the Somerville Zoning Ordinance, Cannabis Retail Sales locations in a Commercial Core 4 (CC4) District require one (1) short-term bicycle parking spaces per 2,500 square feet of space and one (1) long-term bicycle parking space per 10,000 square feet. The proposed Project will be approximately 1,095 square feet in size, requiring approximately 0.44 short-term bicycle parking spaces and 0.19 long-term bicycle parking spaces. Additionally, there will be office space and educational space provided on the second and third floors of the building, both of which require long-term parking spaces. The Proponent is committed to working with the City of Somerville to provide additional short-term bicycle parking in Union Square in the vicinity of the Project site. The Project will provide eight (8) long-term bicycle parking spaces in the basement. The location and number of proposed long-term bicycle parking spaces are shown (see Figure C-104 attached in the Appendix).

### MOTOR VEHICLE PARKING PLAN

The Motor Vehicle Parking Plan would show the proposed parking that a project would have onsite. As this Project is proposing zero (0) parking spaces on-site, this plan is not applicable to this Project.

### MOTOR VEHICLE MOVEMENT PLANS

All delivery and loading services will take place within the parking lot in front of the site in clear view of the outdoor camera. Four (4) parking spaces have been identified as possible locations for these services and have been outlined. The two (2) parking spaces on the north side of the lot are currently being used as outdoor dining. If this continues, then the Proponent will work with the City to determine the best possible location for delivery and loading services, likely at one of the two (2) outlined parking spaces on the south side of the parking lot.

Although the template shows "Passenger" on the delivery vehicle, the template is the approximate size of a 15-passenger van (19' in length, 7' in width), which will be the maximum size of a delivery vehicle. As evidence by the background image, these vehicles are currently using the parking lot spaces without incident and will continue to do so even after redevelopment.



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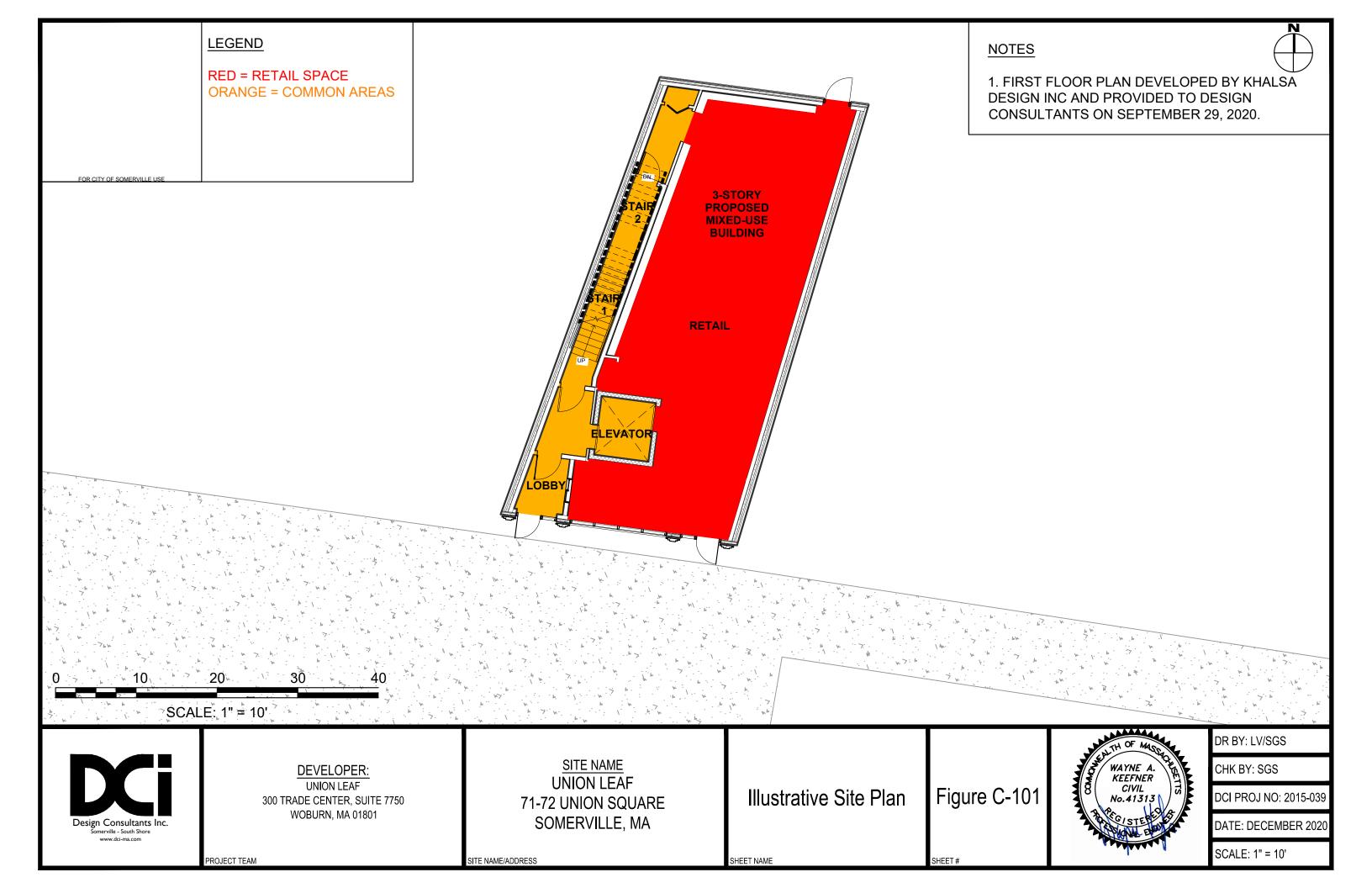
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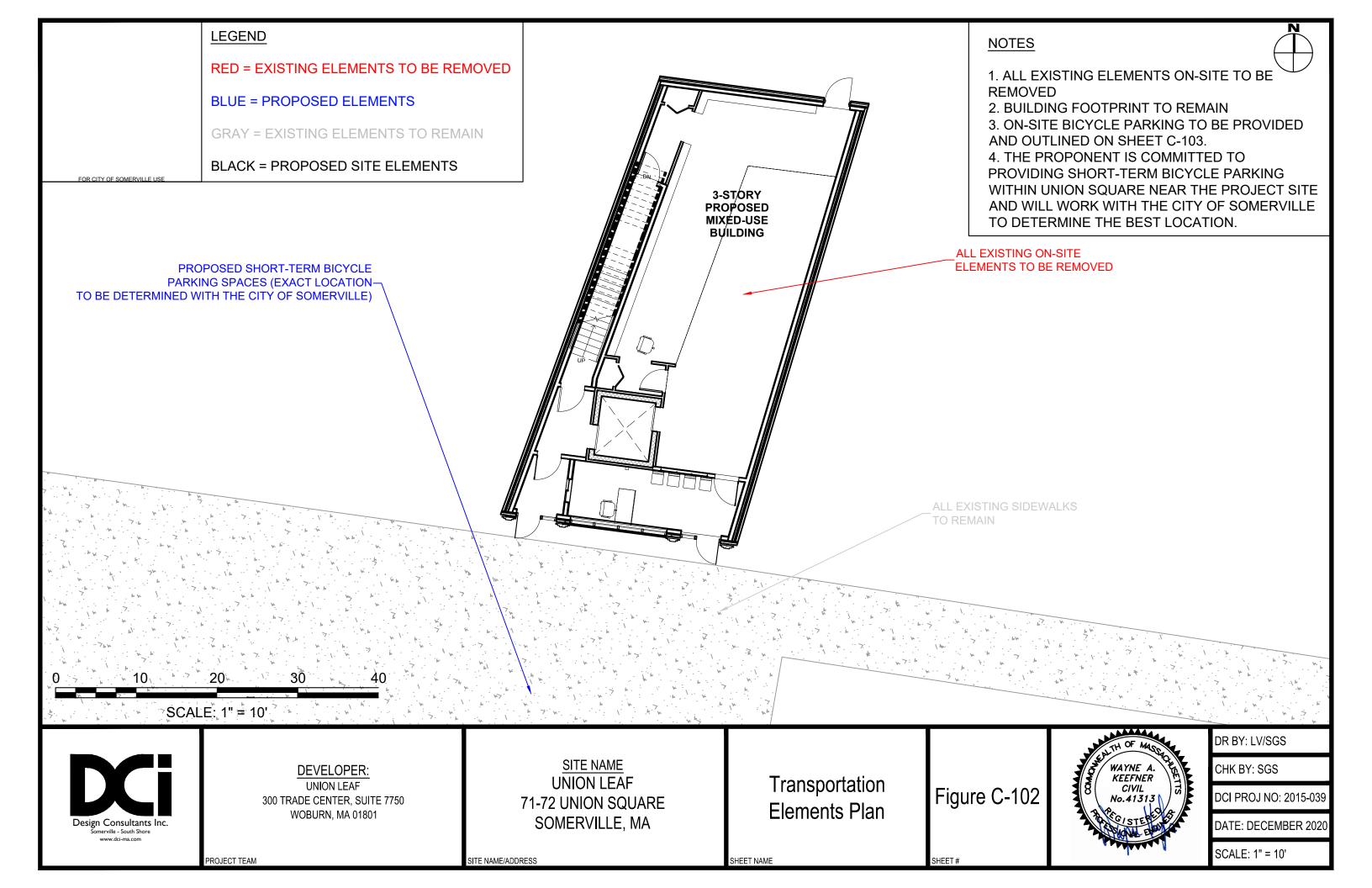
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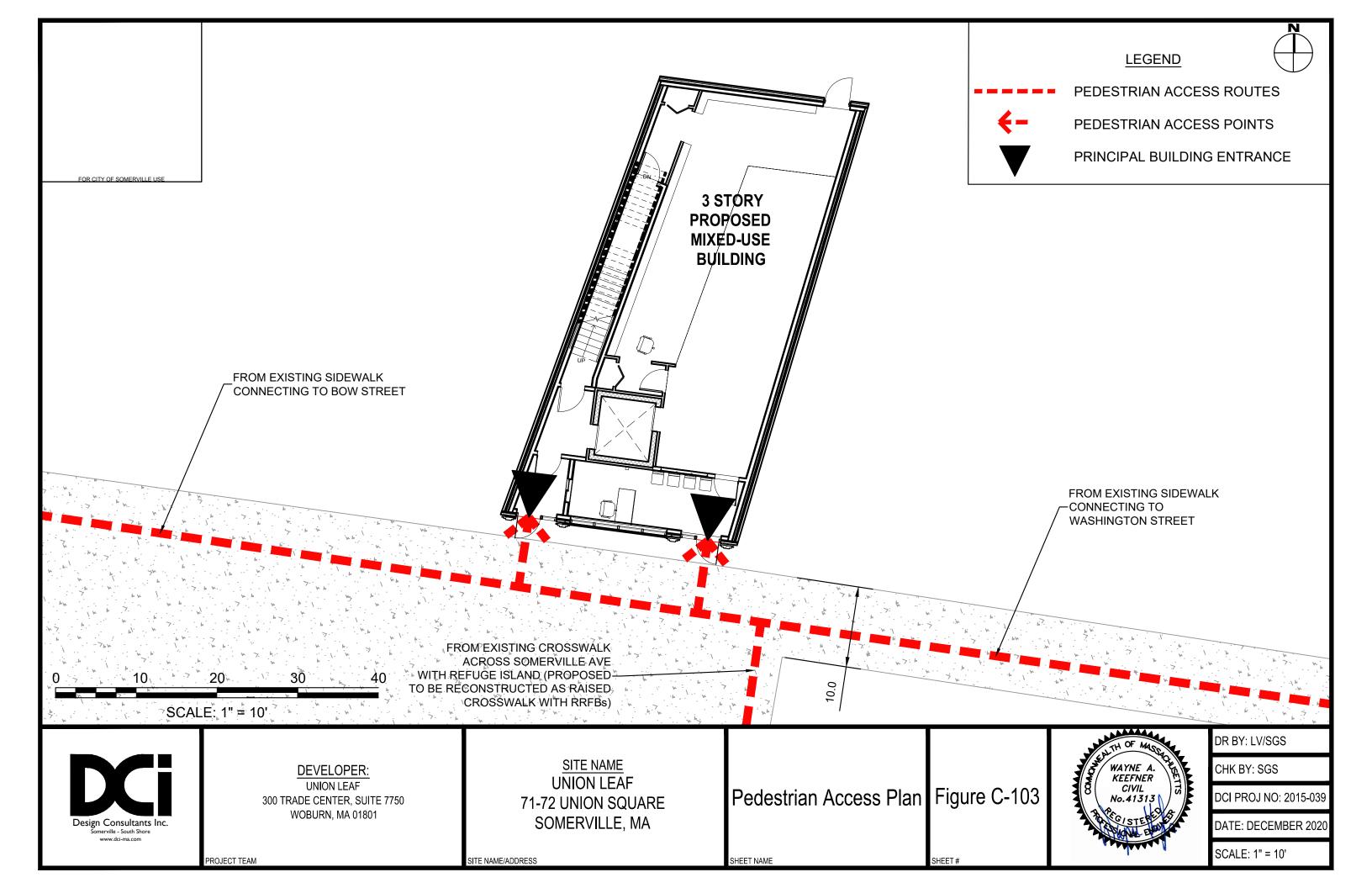
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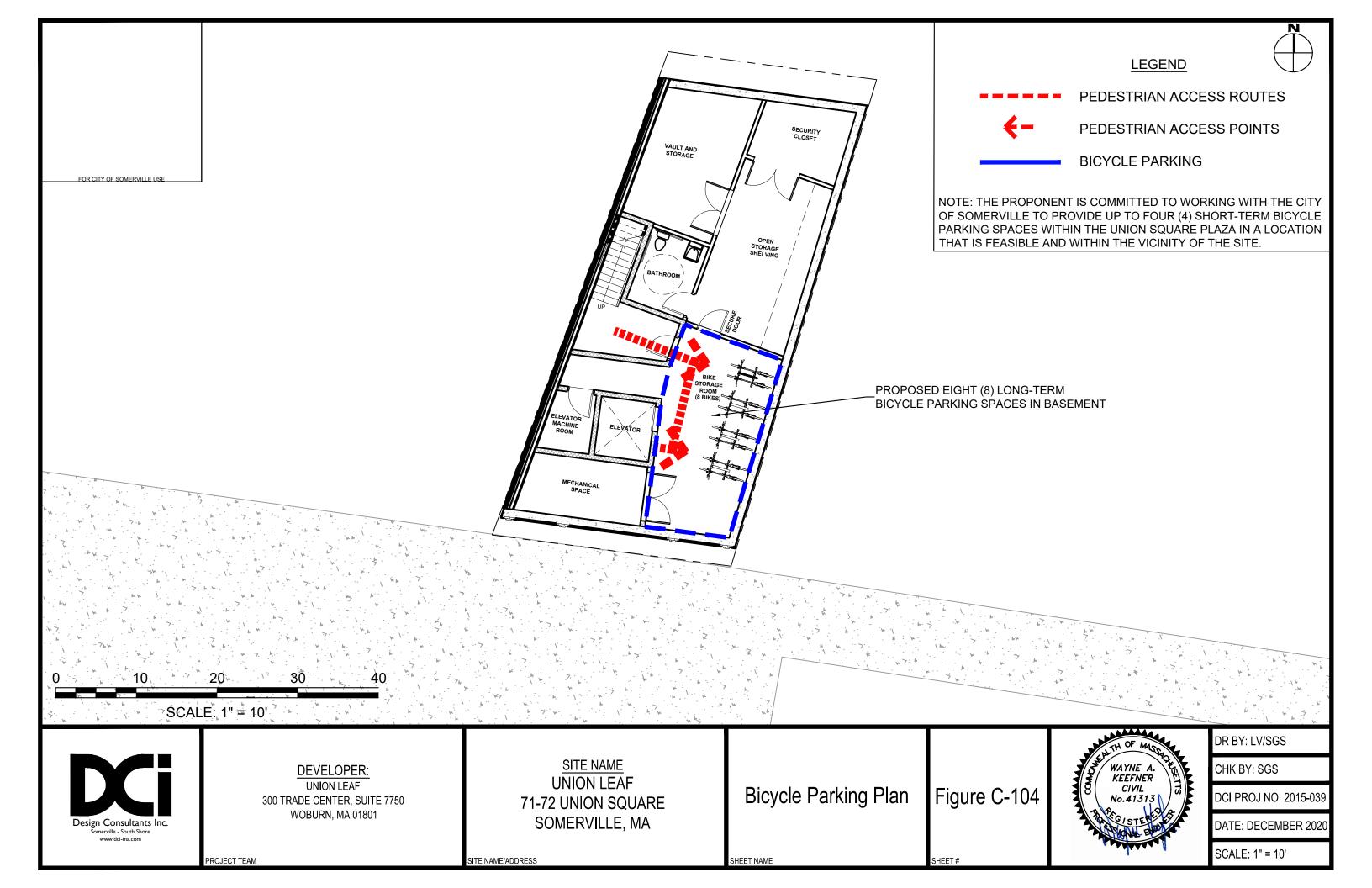
# PEDESTRIAN ACCESS PLAN





# **BICYCLE PARKING PLAN**





# MOTOR VEHICLE MOVEMENT PLAN



