CITY OF KELOWNA MEMORANDUM

DATE:

March 13, 2007

FILE NO .:

Z07-0006

TO:

CITY MANAGER

FROM:

PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DEPARTMENT

APPLICATION NO. Z07-0006

OWNER:

WINDMILL VENTURES

LTD.

AT:

734 MARTIN AVE.

APPLICANT: PHILIP MACDONALD

ARCHITECT INC.

PURPOSE:

TO REZONE THE SUBJECT PROPERTY FROM THE RU6 - TWO DWELLING HOUSING ZONE TO THE RM5 - MEDIUM DENSITY MULTIPLE HOUSING ZONE TO FACILITATE THE CONSTRUCTION OF A 5 STOREY APARTMENT BUILDING CONTAINING 41

RESIDENTIAL UNITS.

EXISTING ZONE:

RU6 - TWO DWELLING HOUSING ZONE

PROPOSED ZONE: RM5 - MEDIUM DENSITY MULTIPLE HOUSING

REPORT PREPARED BY: DANIELLE NOBLE

1.0 RECOMMENDATION

THAT Rezoning Application No. Z07-0006 to amend City of Kelowna Zoning Bylaw No. 8000 by changing the zoning classification of Lot 5, District Lot 138, O.D.Y.D. Plan 1346, located on Martin Avenue, Kelowna, B.C. from the RU6 - Two Dwelling Housing zone to the RM5 -Medium Density Multiple Housing zone, be considered by Council;

AND THAT the zone amending bylaw be forwarded to a Public Hearing for further consideration:

AND THAT final adoption of the zone amending bylaw be considered subsequent to the requirements of the Works & Utilities Department being completed to their satisfaction;

AND THAT final adoption of the zone amending bylaw be considered in conjunction with Council's consideration of the accompanying Development permit and Development Variance Permit for the subject property and 1419 Richter Street.

2.0 **SUMMARY**

The western lot fronting Richter Street currently is zoned RM5 and the applicant is proposing to rezone the eastern subject property to RM5 - Medium Density Multiple Dwelling Housing zone. Lot consolidation is pending land use approvals. The proposed project anticipates a 5 storey apartment building containing 41 residential units. Building setbacks, number of storeys, and site coverage variances are being sought through the concurrent Development Permit/Development Variance Permit application process.

3.0 ADVISORY PLANNING COMMISSION

At a meeting held on February 13, 2007 the Advisory Planning Commission reviewed this application, and the following recommendation was passed:

THAT the Advisory Planning Commission supports Rezoning Application Z07-0006 for 734 Martin Avenue, Lot 5, Plan 1346, D.L. 138, ODYD, by Phillip MacDonald Architect (P. MacDonald), to rezone from the RU6-Two Dwelling Housing zone to the RM5-Medium Density Multiple Housing zone in order to create a 41 unit, 4 storey condominium building.

*Note: the number of storeys for the building since the APC meeting has been interpreted to be 5 storeys as per the City's Inspection Services Department.

4.0 THE PROPOSAL

The applicant is proposing to construct a 41 unit apartment building. The two subject properties have a combined area of 3,006 m² (0.74 ac). Lot consolidation of the subject properties is contingent on land use approvals. Previous applications for 1419 Richter Street have not been proceeded with and the property has since changed ownership. The additional lot increases the overall site area greater than originally proposed, and provides additional design possibilities.

The proposed building aims to blend in with the redevelopment character of similar projects within the downtown centre. The architectural design utilizes a conventionally shaped building proposed to be 5 storeys in height including a partially below-grade parkade. The development project would provide for a convenient urban lifestyle, both incorporated through interior design features and close proximity to urban amenities.

The application meets the requirements or requires variances of the proposed RM5 - Medium Density Multiple Housing Zone as follows:

CRITERIA	PROPOSAL	RM5 ZONE REQUIREMENTS
Site Area (m²)	3,006m ²	1,400m ²
Site Width (m)	34.79m	30.0m
Site Depth (m)	68.14m	30.0m
Site Coverage (%)	45 %*, 51%	40% or 60% including buildings, driveways, and parking
F.A.R.	1.3	1.1 (max) + 0.2 (bonus for required parking below habitable space)
Height (m)	16.5m	16.5m
Storeys (#)	5 storeys*	4 storeys
Setbacks (m)		
- Front (m)	6.0m	6.0m
- North side (m)	4.5m*	7.5m (bldgs in excess of 2 ½ storeys)
- South side (m)	7.5m	7.5m (bldgs in excess of 2 ½ storeys)
- Rear (m)	9.0m	9.0m
Private open space	1,019m²	730m² (15m² per 1 bedroom dwelling; 25m² per dwelling with more than 1 bedroom)
Parking Space Size	2.5m x 6.0m 3.0m x 6.0m	2.5m x 6.0m 3.0m x 6.0m
Parking Stalls (#)	56 Parking spaces (including 6 Visitor stalls)	55 Parking spaces (including 6 Visitor stalls
Bicycle Stalls (#)	24 spaces	20 + 4 = 24 (0.5 per dwelling unit Class I, 0.1 per dwelling unit Class II

^{* =} variance required

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4.2 Site Context

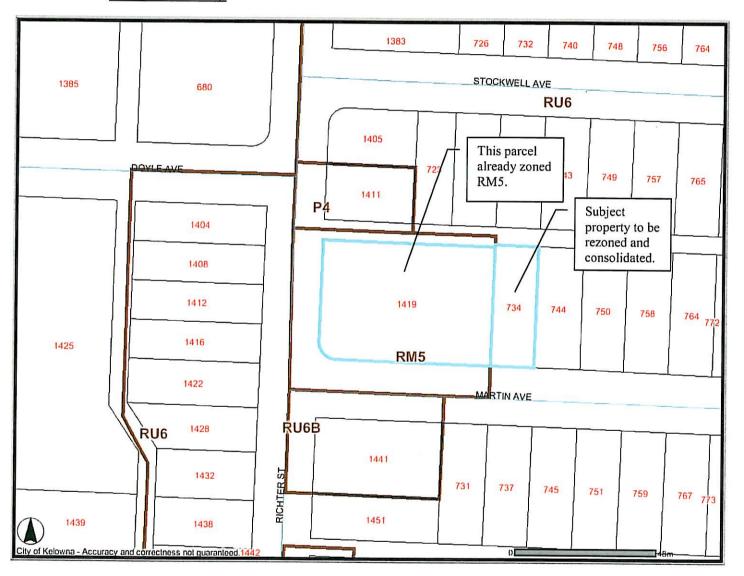
The subject properties are located at the corner of Martin Avenue and Richter Street. Adjacent zones and uses are:

North - RU6 & P4 - Two Dwelling Housing and Utilities

East - RU6 - Two Dwelling Housing

South - RU6 & RU6B- Two Dwelling Housing (with Boarding or Lodging House)
West - RU6 -Two Dwelling Housing

4.3 Site Location Map



4.4 **Development Potential**

The purpose of the RM5 - Medium Density Multiple Housing zone is to provide a zone primarily for medium density apartments.

4.5 Current Development Policy

<u>City of Kelowna Strategic Plan</u> The City of Kelowna Strategic Plan encourages the development of a more compact urban form by increasing densities through infill and redevelopment within existing urban areas and to provide for increased densities within future urban areas. The plan also encourages redeveloping transitional areas to increase densities for more efficient use of existing land. Also recommended is that the City will emphasize a density of development higher than presently occurring to allow for more efficient use of the land.

Kelowna Official Community Plan 4.5.2

The proposal is consistent with the future land use designation of Multiple Unit Residential - Medium Density in the Official Community Plan. Preference will be given to supporting new housing in areas where required services already exist or can be provided most economically and efficiently. Additionally, policy 8.36 encourages development to contribute to the City's goal of over the 2000-2020 timeframe, having 53% of new residential units be in the form of apartments, townhouses (and cluster housing), or other multiple unit buildings.

Additionally, to develop a more compact urban form that maximizes the use of existing infrastructure, by increasing densities through development, conversion, and re-development within existing areas, particularly in designated Urban Centres, and by providing for higher densities within future urban areas. Encourage development to proceed in a logical, sequential order, concurrently with availability of required urban services.

With respect to objectives for multiple unit residential development, all projects should be an appropriate response to its physical context, or anticipated future context where an area is designated for increased density or land use transition in the OCP. Design criteria for multiple unit development area as proposed is generally consistent with the guidelines that address landscaping, relationship to the street, building massing, end walls, view corridors, and crime prevention.

However, as proposed the applicant is not proposing to provide affordable, special needs, or rental housing.

5.0 TECHNICAL COMMENTS

5.1 Fire Department

Fire department access, fire flows, and hydrants as per the BC Building Code and City of Kelowna Subdivision Bylaw. Engineered fire flows will determine if present hydrant location, number of hydrants, and hydrant volume will be adequate. After the bridge is finished any access to hydrants on the west side of Richter may be compromised. The access to and through the lane and parkade entrance is to meet BCBC width and height and surfacing requirements. No parking signs; may be required.

5.2 Inspections Department

Possible high water table area. Ensure 1st floor not greater than 2m above grade. Storage room not permitted to open into lobby.

5.3 Works and Utilities

Requirements for off-site works for this subject property will be addressed at the Development Permit stage in our reports under files DP07-0007 and DVP07-0008.

6.0 PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DEPARTMENT

The Planning and Development Services Department generally is supportive of the proposed development of the subject property. Importantly, the subject property is situated within the downtown area and supported by existing infrastructure to facilitate the proposed project. Other surrounding land uses are single family in nature, although the future land use designation forecasts this area to be redeveloped into medium density multiple unit residential. Given that the subject properties are on a corner location, the impact on adjacent properties is lessened and offers a reasonable transition into the adjacent single family character.

The proposal to construct an apartment building is considered congruent with the land use designation as identified in the OCP. Staff notes that the proposed development is consistent with the guidelines for multiple dwelling units, and the project has improved considerably over the original application.

The proposed building has reasonable architectural detailing with a unique building entrance offering strong visual interest. Building form and character, in addition to the variances being sought will be addressed at a subsequent stage when the Development Permit and Variance Permits are advanced for consideration at the time of final adoption of the zone amending bylaw.

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Acting Development Services Manager

Approved for inclusion

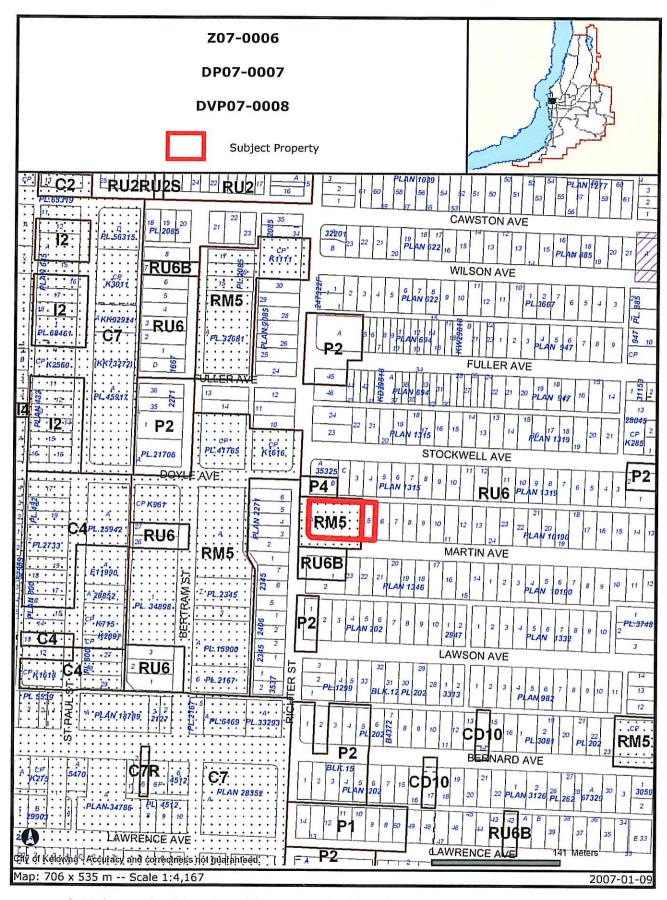
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Director of Planning & Development Services

SG/DN Attach.

ATTACHMENTS

- Location of subject property
- Color Board
- Site plan
- Floor Plans
- Elevations



Certain layers such as lots, zoning and dp areas are updated bi-weekly. This map is for general information only.

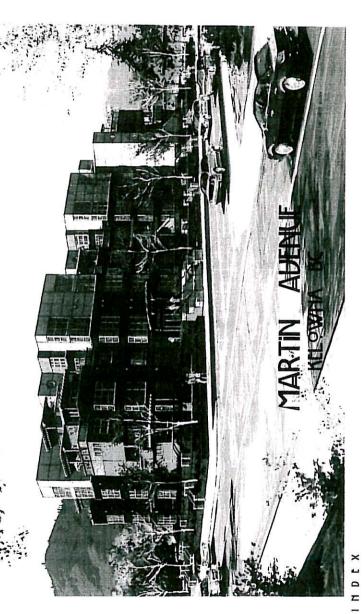
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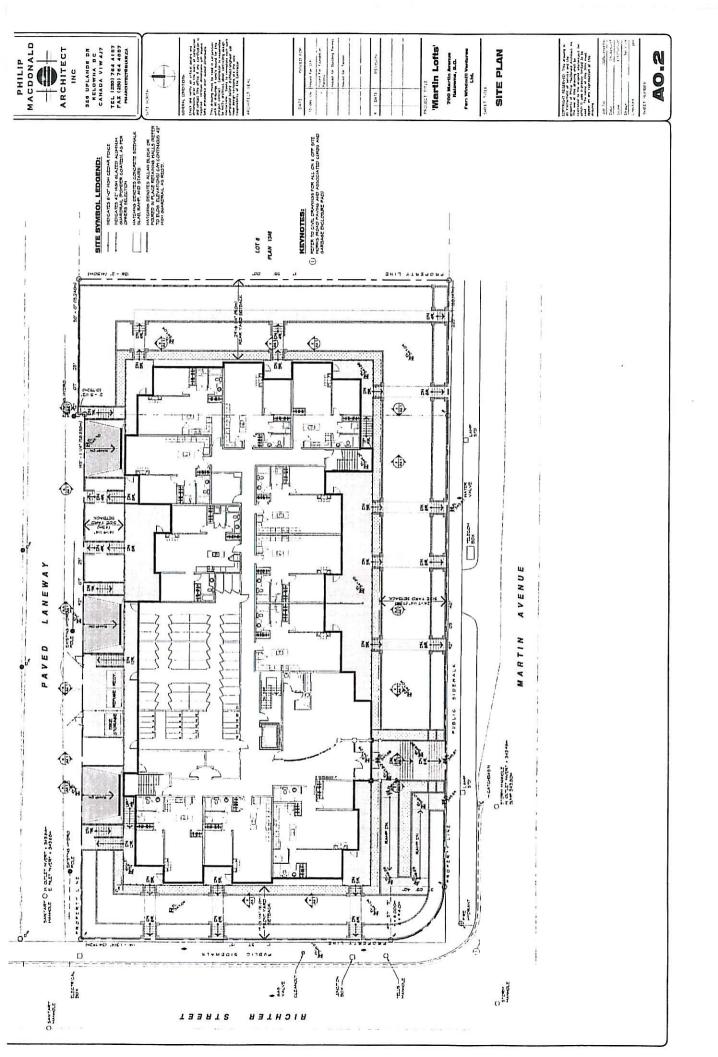
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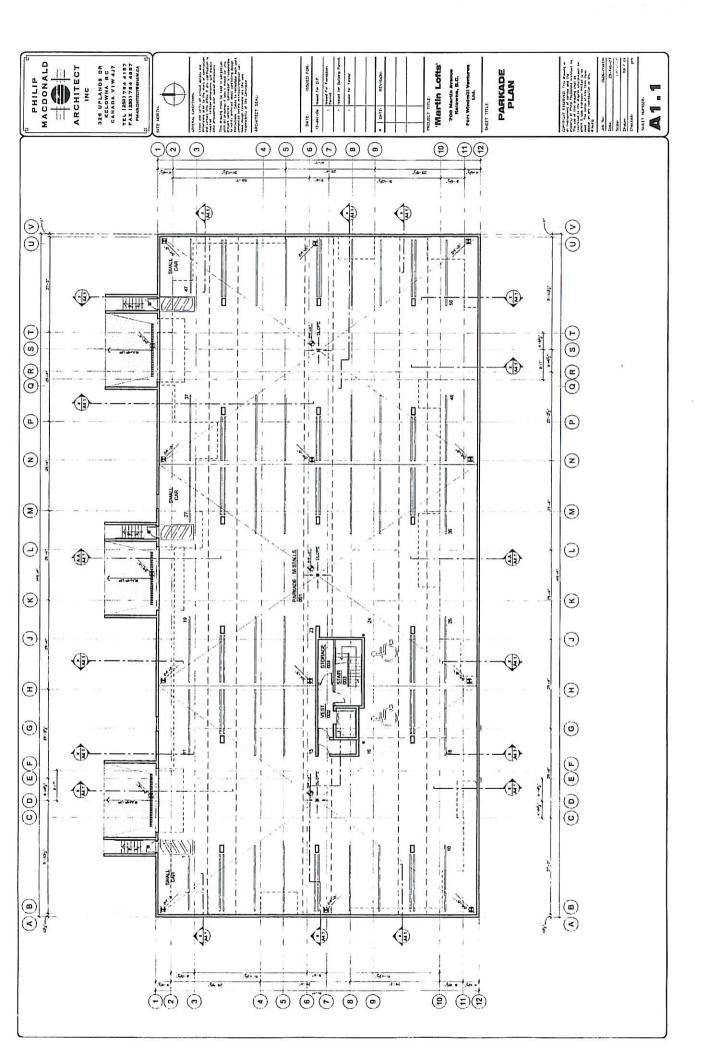
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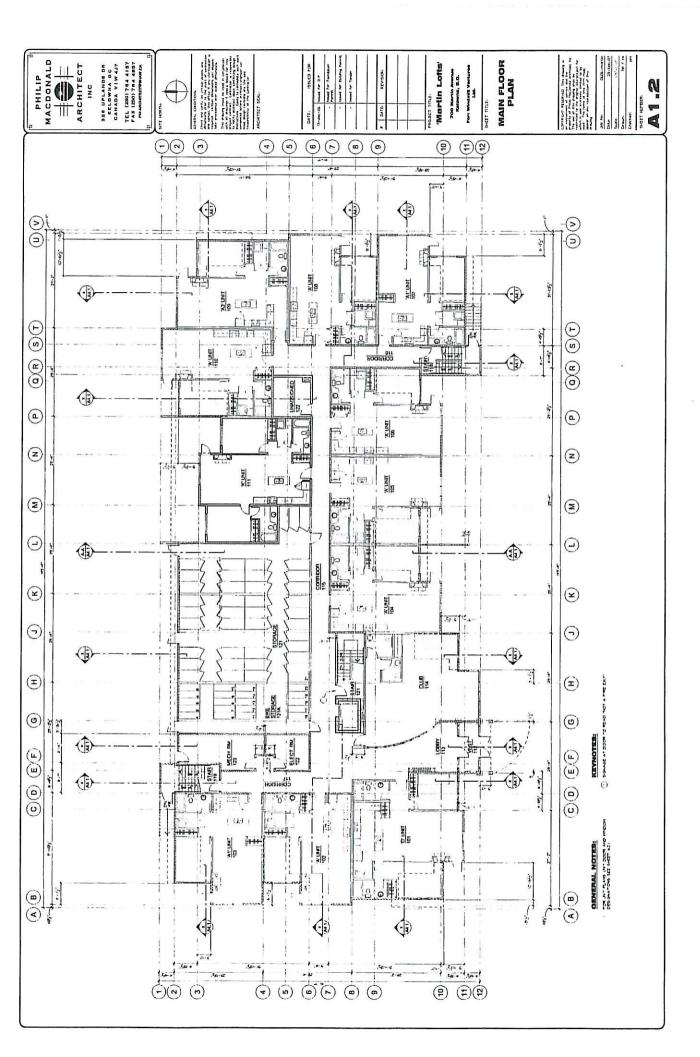
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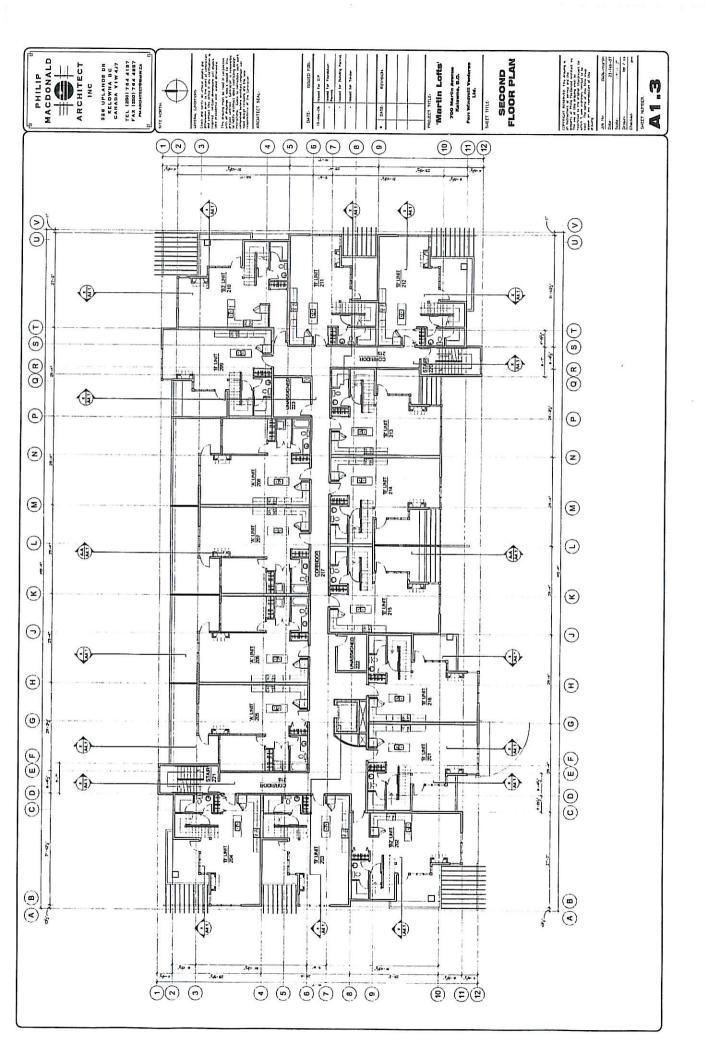
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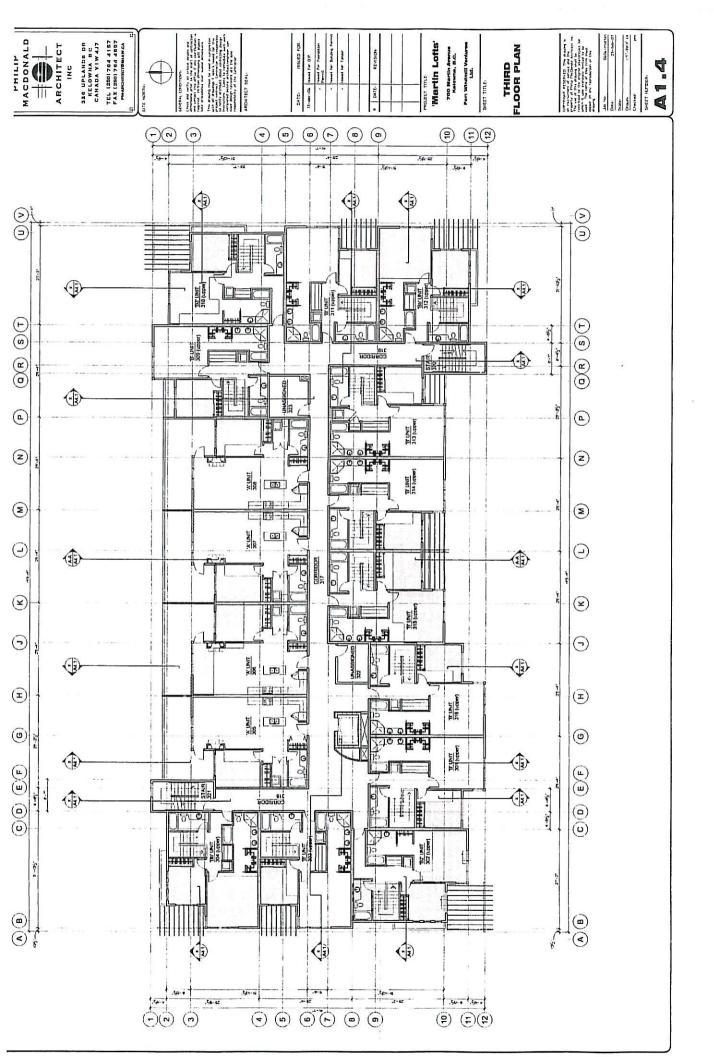
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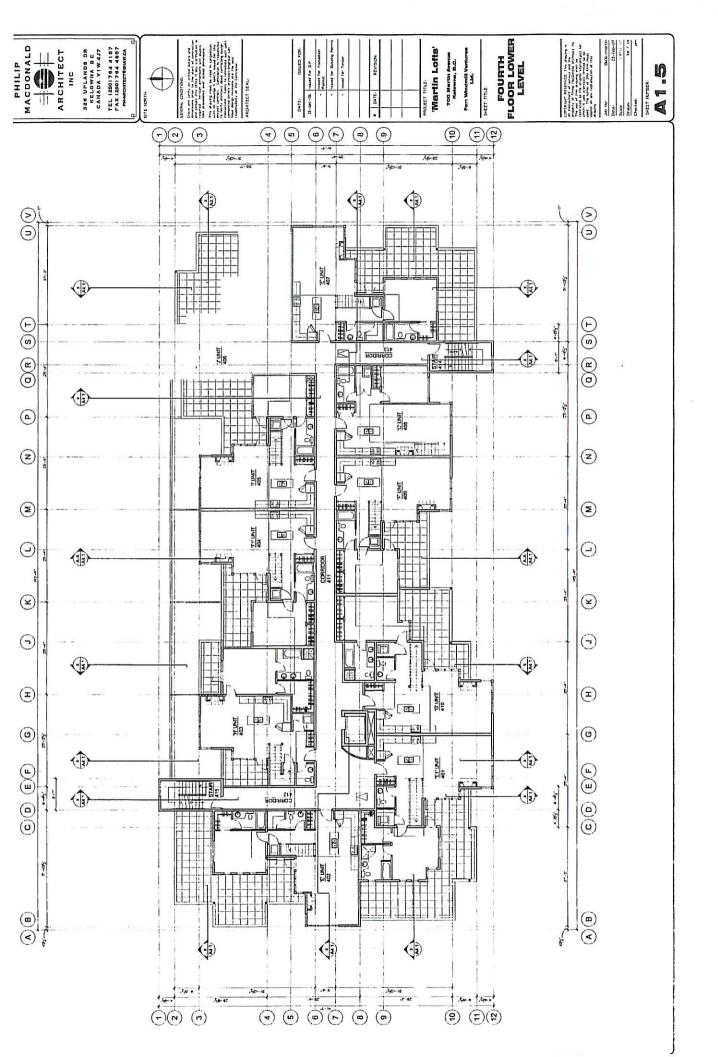


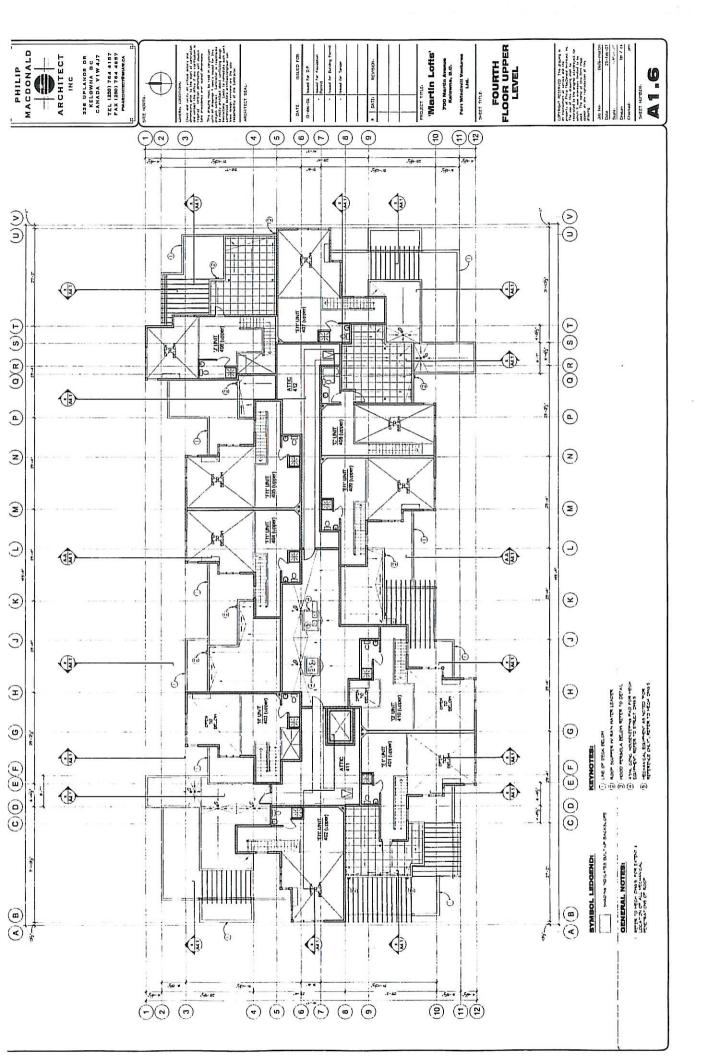


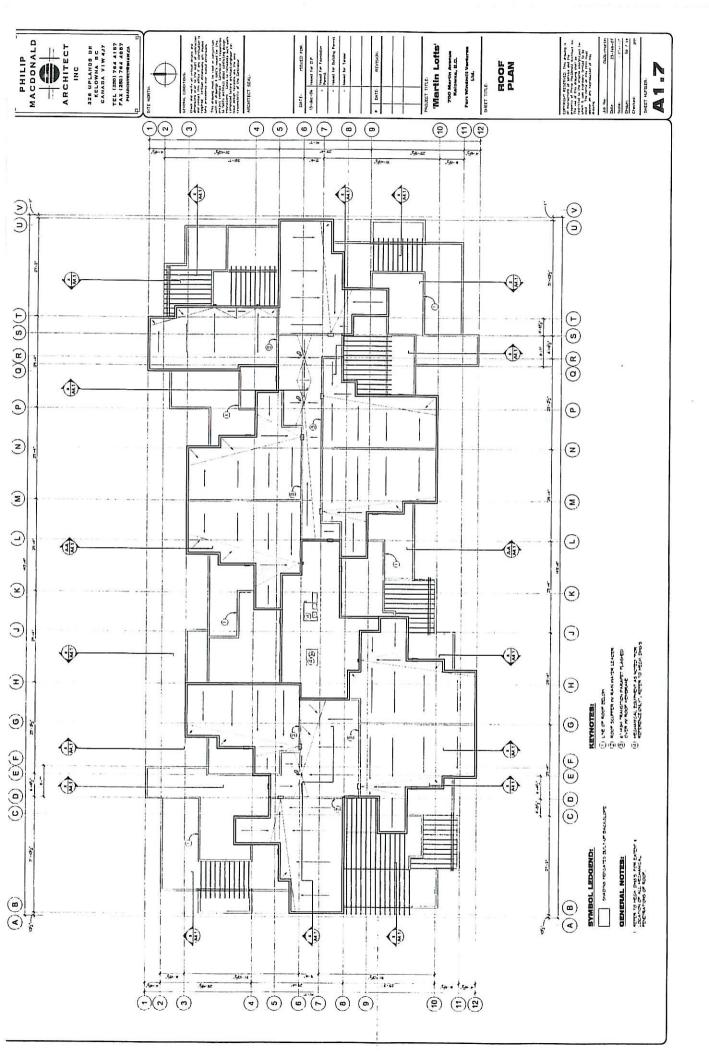


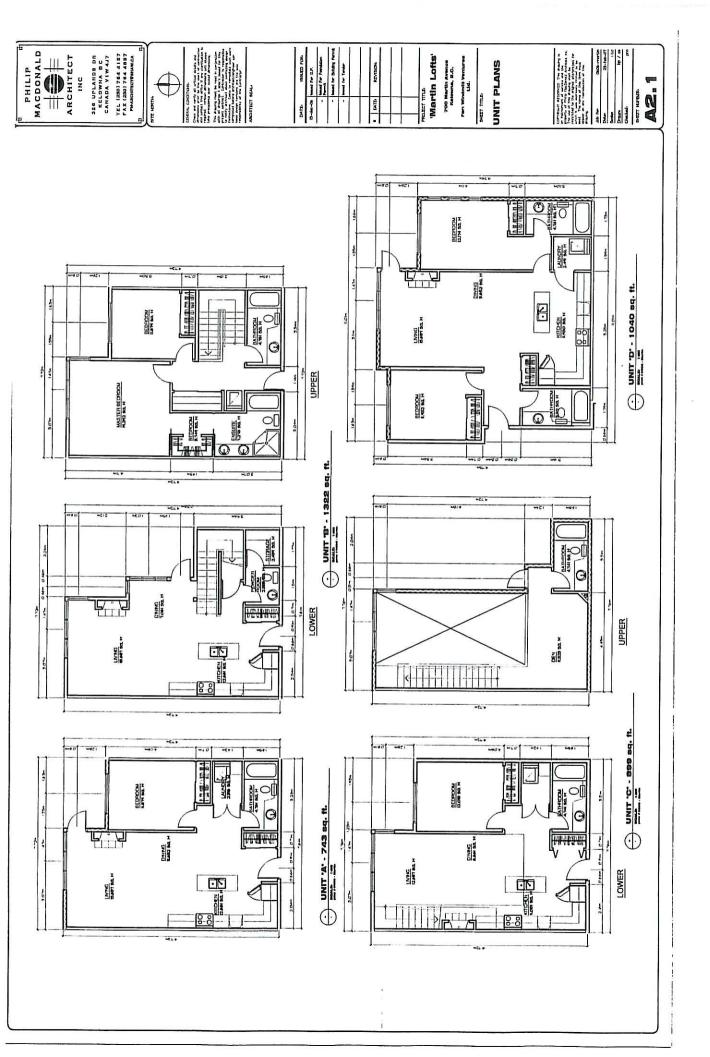


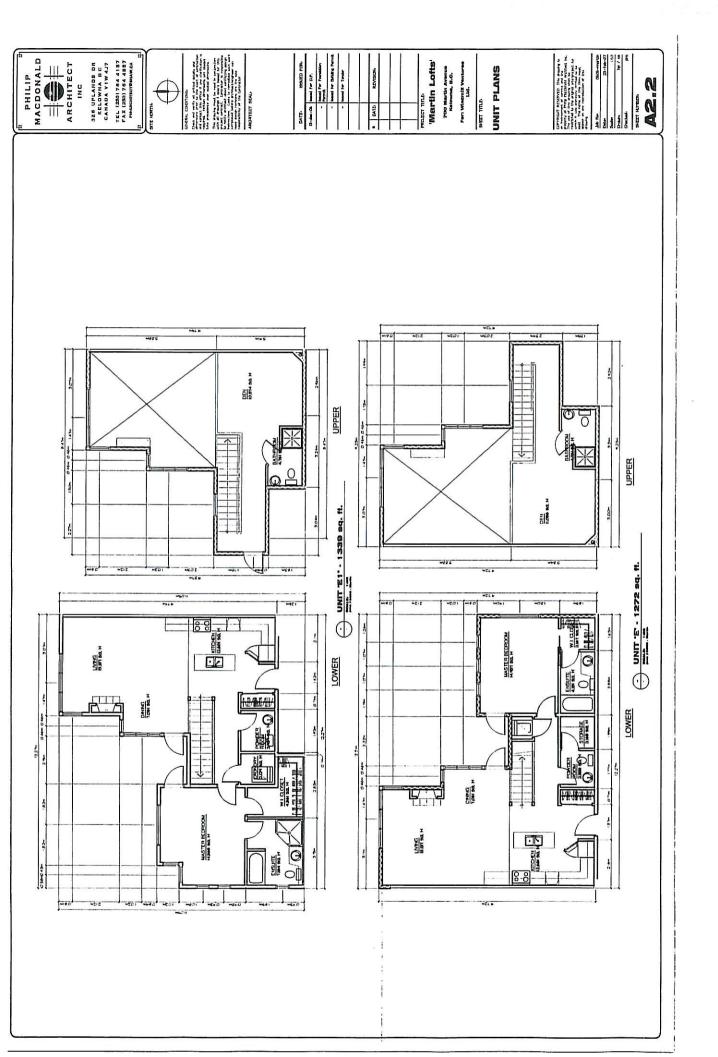


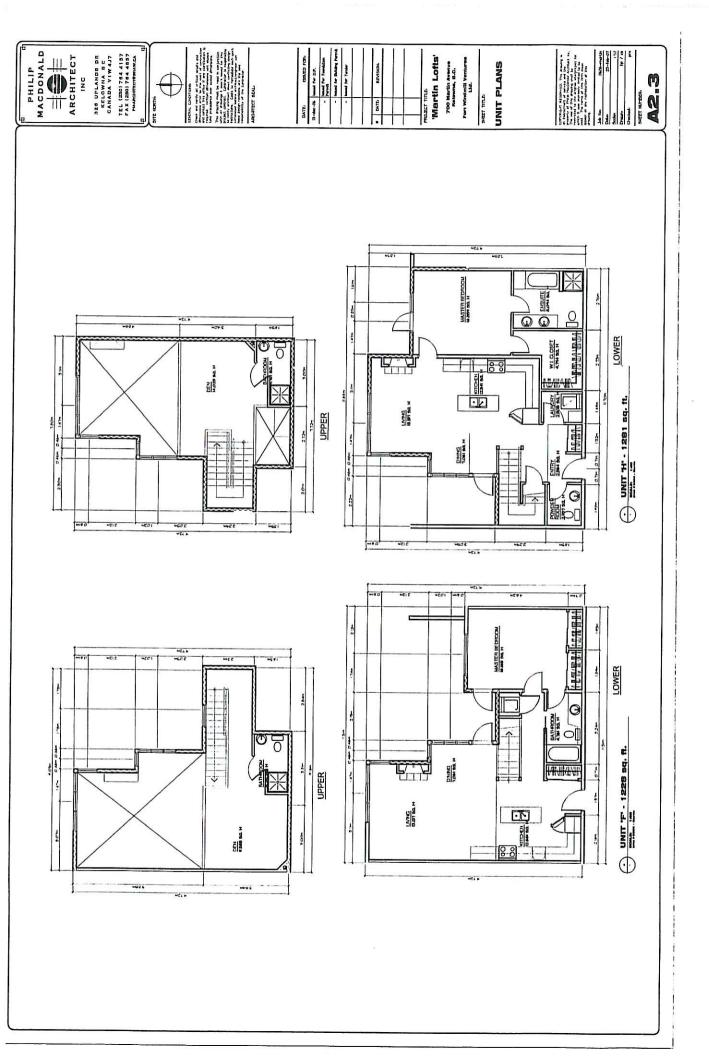


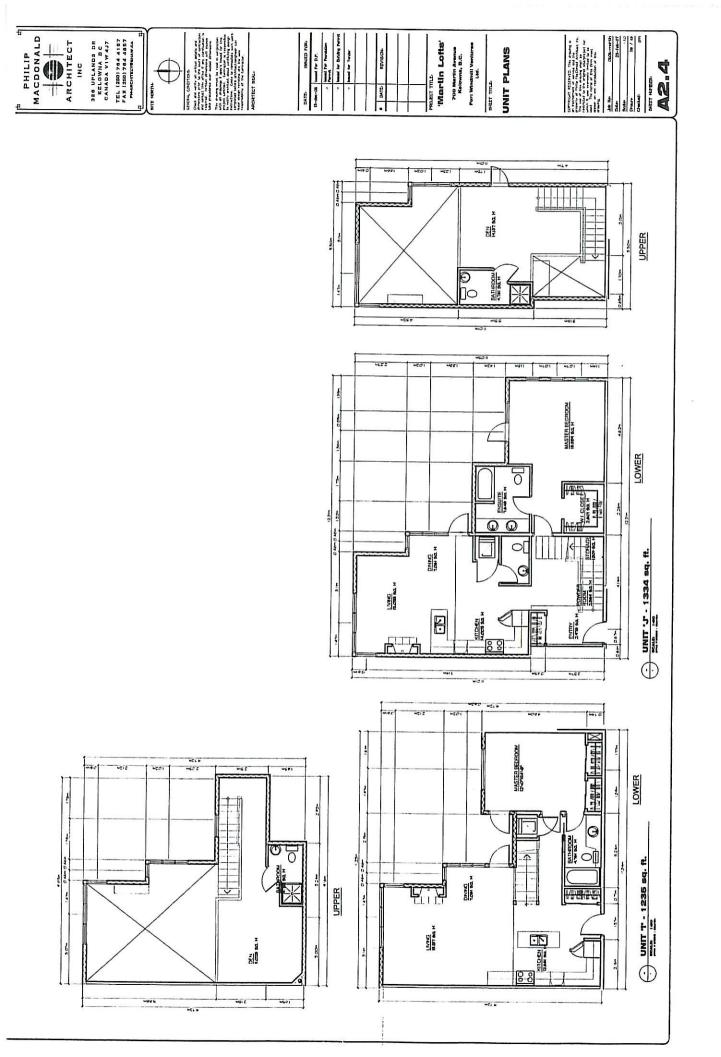


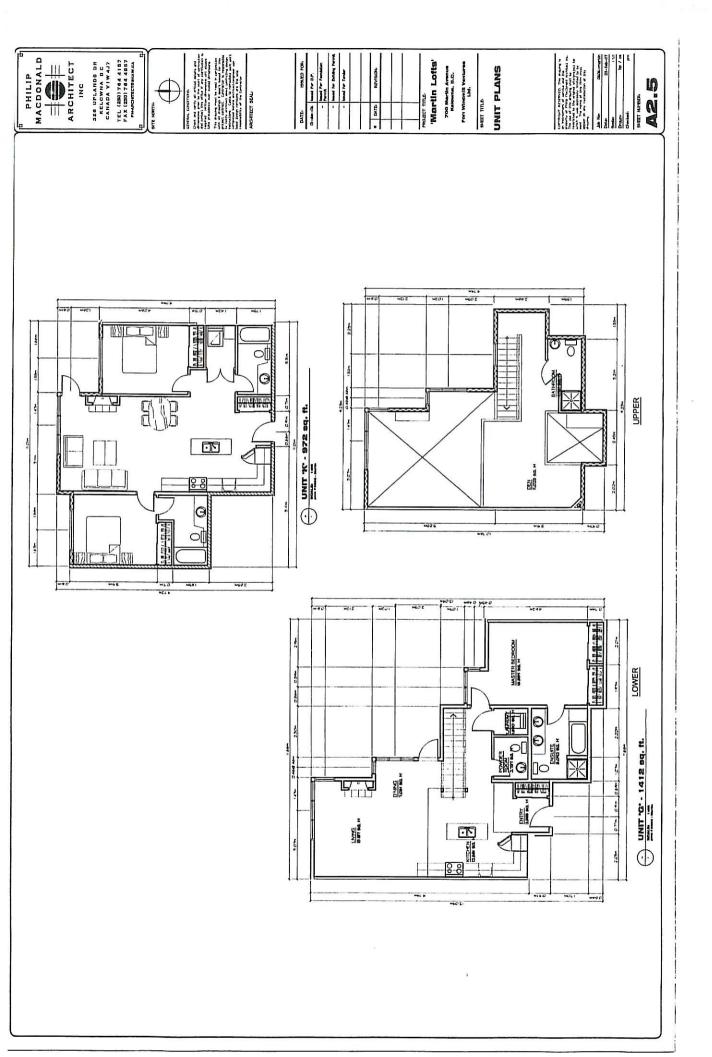


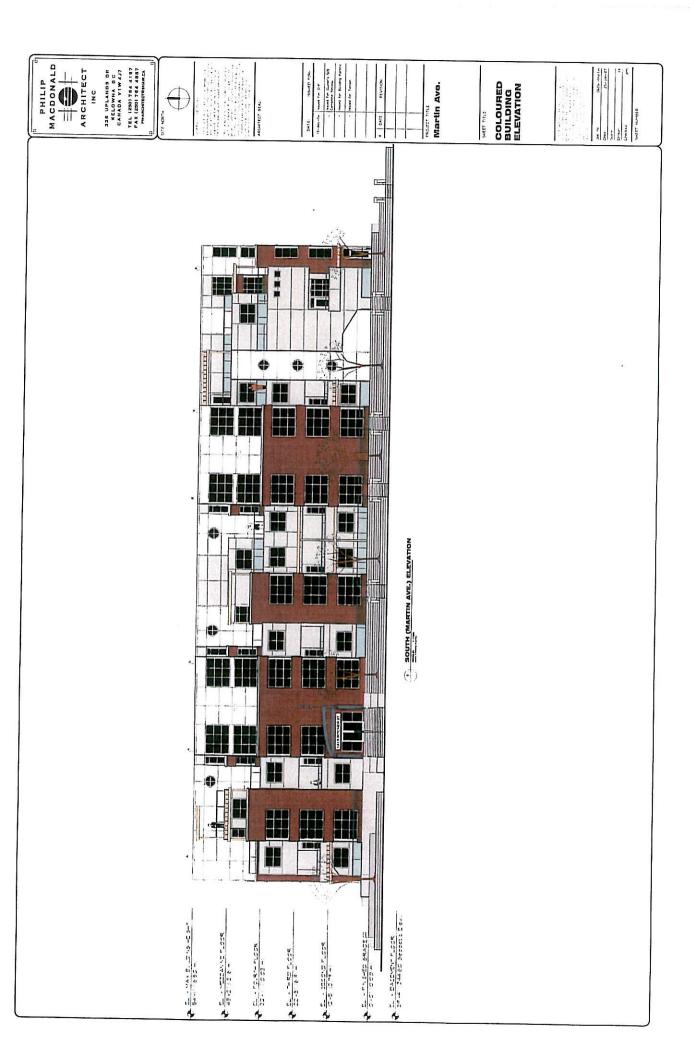


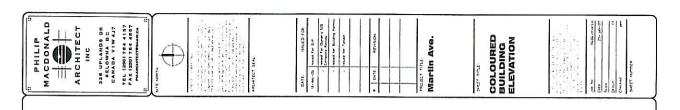


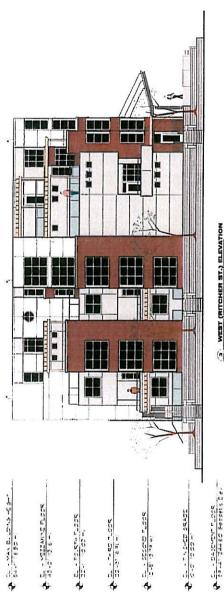












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