



Facilities Department
San Francisco Unified School District
135 Van Ness Avenue
San Francisco, CA 94102

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

Submitted to:

San Francisco Office of the County Clerk
City Hall, Room 160
One Dr Carlton B Goodlett Place
San Francisco, CA 94102

Office of Planning and Research
Submitted electronically via CEQASubmit

From: San Francisco Unified School District
135 Van Ness Avenue
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PROJECT TITLE: George Washington High School – Auto Shop Improvements

Project Address: 600 32nd Ave. **Assessor's Parcel Number:** 1574/001
San Francisco, CA 94116 **County of:** San Francisco

Project Description: The project consists of improvements and modification to the auto shop facilities at Washington High School, including the addition of an auto painting booth.

The project has been **approved by** and **will be carried out by** the San Francisco Unified School District.

Lead Agency Contact Person: LeeAnn Bailey, Grants and Compliance Manager
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Signature: *LeeAnn Bailey* **Date:** 3/25/25

EXEMPT STATUS

Categorically Exempt **Classes:** 1 and 14

The project meets the categorical exemptions of Class 1 and 14.



NOTICE OF EXEMPTION – ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

ENVIRONMENTAL ANALYSIS

Reason Project is Exempt: The project described above is exempt under CEQA Guidelines Section 15301 (Existing Facilities) and Section 15314 (Minor Additions to Schools). The project meets the conditions for these exemptions as explained below.

Existing Facilities (Class 1, Section 15301). The project consists of the operation, repair, maintenance, permitting, leasing, licensing, or minor alteration of existing public or private structures, facilities, mechanical equipment, or topographical features, involving negligible or no expansion of existing or former use.

Minor Additions to Schools (Class 14, Section 15314). The project consists of minor additions within the existing school grounds and the additions do not increase original student capacity by more than 25% or ten classrooms, whichever is less.

Exceptions to Use of a Categorical Exemption:

A project does not have the potential to trigger any of the exceptions identified in CEQA Guidelines Section 15300.2 prohibiting the use of a categorical exemption.

- a. **Location.** Classes 3, 4, 5, 6, and 11 are qualified by consideration of where the project is to be located - a project that is ordinarily insignificant in its impact on the environment may, in a particularly sensitive environment, be significant. Therefore, these classes are considered to apply in all instances, except where the project may impact on an environmental resource of hazardous or critical concern where designated, precisely mapped, and officially adopted pursuant to law by federal, state, or local agencies. Although the location exception does not apply to a Class 1 or 14 Categorical Exemptions, the environmental sensitivity of the project site was assessed as part of preparation of this Notice of Exemption and the project will not have an impact on a particularly sensitive environment due to its location.

 - b. **Cumulative Impact.** All exemptions for these classes are inapplicable when the cumulative impact of successive projects of the same type in the same place, over time is significant. The project does not contribute to any cumulative impact as there are no ongoing projects at this site or adjacent projects as confirmed by the SF Planning database.

 - c. **Significant Effect.** A categorical exemption shall not be used for an activity where there is a reasonable possibility that the activity will have a significant effect on the environment due to unusual circumstances. The project does not create any unusual circumstances.
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- d. Scenic Highways. A categorical exemption shall not be used for a project which may result in damage to scenic resources including, but not limited to, trees, historic buildings, rock outcroppings or similar resources, within a highway officially designated as a state scenic highway. Not applicable. The project is not within proximity to a highway officially designated as a state scenic highway.
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- e. Hazardous Waste Sites. A categorical exemption shall not be used for a project located on a site that is included on any list compiled pursuant to Section 65962.5 of the Government Code. Not applicable. The project site is not on the Cortes List – State Database of Hazardous Sites.
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- f. Historical Resources. A categorical exemption shall not be used for a project that may cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of a historical resource. Not applicable. The project is outside of the school buildings and does not have a significant impact or substantial adverse change on a historical resource.

REFERENCES

- California Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC). 2025. Envirostor.
<https://www.envirostor.dtsc.ca.gov/public/>. Accessed 2/15/2025.
- California Department of Transportation (Caltrans). 2025. List of Eligible and Officially Designated State Scenic Highways.
- State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB). 2025. GeoTracker.
<https://geotracker.waterboards.ca.gov/>. Accessed 2/15/2025.

[End of Notice]

Division of the State Architect (DSA) documents referenced within this publication are available on the DSA Forms or DSA Publications webpages.

To facilitate the Division of the State Architect's (DSA) fire and life safety plan review of project site conditions, DSA requires the design professional to provide the following information at time of project submittal for projects consisting of construction of a new campus, construction of new building(s), additions to existing buildings, and for site alternate design means for fire department emergency vehicle access, and fire suppression water supply. Information associated with compliance items 1 through 3 below is to be provided for all project types indicated above. Information associated with items 4 through 7 is to be completed when an alternate means is utilized. Acknowledgement by the school district and signature from the Local Fire Authority (LFA) is only required when an alternate design means is being requested.

The Project Information and Fire & Life Safety Information sections are to be completed for all projects and imaged onto the fire access site plan. When an alternate design/means is proposed, all sections on pages 1 and 2 are to be completed and imaged on the fire access site plan.

For additional information refer to the instructions at the end of this form and DSA Policy PL 09-01: Fire Flow for Buildings.

PROJECT INFORMATION

School District/Owner: SAN FRANCISCO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

Project Name/School: GEORGE WASHINGTON HIGH SCHOOL / NEW PAINT BOOTH

Project Address: 600 32ND AVE, SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94121

FIRE & LIFE SAFETY INFORMATION

1. Has a fire hydrant flow test been performed within the past 12 months? (If yes, provide a copy of the test data.) Yes No

2. Was the fire hydrant water flow test performed as part of this LFA review? Yes No

3. Is the project located within a designated fire hazard severity zone (FHSZ) as established by Cal-Fire? (If yes, indicate FHSZ classification below.) Yes No

Refer to the following website for FHSZ locations: <http://sofs.fire.ca.gov/FHSZ/> Moderate High Very High

Wildland Interface Area (WIFA) (if any designations are checked, project design must meet the requirements of CBC Chapter 7A.) WIFA

DSA 810
 FIRE & LIFE SAFETY SITE CONDITIONS SUBMITTAL

CONDITION MEANS AND METHODS RESOLUTION	ALTERNATE ACCEPTED			
	Yes	No	N/A	N/R
4. Emergency vehicle access roadways do not meet CFC requirements.				
4a. Acceptable Alternate: Emergency vehicle and personnel access as proposed by the project architect is acceptable for providing fire suppression and protection of life and property.				
5. Fire Hydrants: Number and spacing does not meet CFC requirements.				
5a. Acceptable Alternate: Number of fire hydrants and spacing as proposed by the project architect is acceptable for fire suppression and protection of life and property.				
6. Fire Hydrants: Water flow and pressure are less than CFC minimum.				
6a. Acceptable Alternate: The available flow and pressure is acceptable for providing fire suppression and protection of life and property.				
7. Location of fire department connection(s) serving fire sprinkler systems or standpipe systems does not meet CFC requirements.				
7a. Acceptable Alternate: The location of fire department connection serving the fire sprinkler system and/or standpipe system is acceptable for providing fire suppression and protection of life and property.				

School District Acceptance of Acceptable Design Alternates

By signing this form, the school district acknowledges and accepts the proposed design as an alternative to California Building Code (CBC) and California Fire Code (CFC) minimum requirements, as indicated by one or more of the conditions indicated at items 4a, 5a, 6a or 7a, for providing fire and life safety protection of life and property.

Accepted by: _____ Title: _____
 Signature: _____ Date: _____

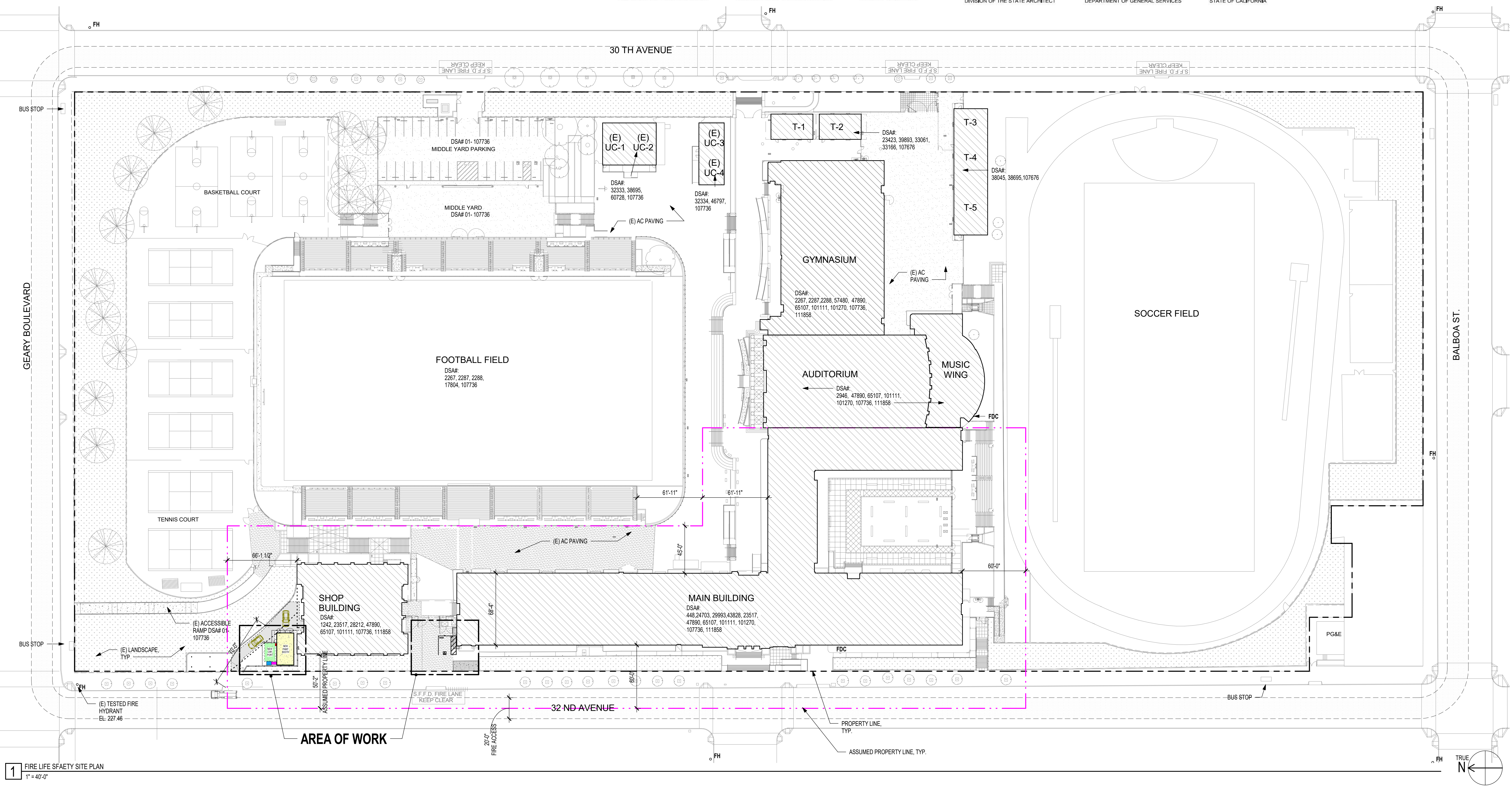
LOCAL FIRE AUTHORITY (LFA) INFORMATION

LFA Agency Name: _____
 LFA Review Official: _____
 Title: _____ Work Phone: _____
 Work Email: _____

LFA Reviewer's Signature: _____ Date: _____

SITE LEGEND

- PROPERTY LINE
- EXISTING LANDSCAPE / PLANTING AREA
- EXISTING CONCRETE PAVING
- EXISTING BUILDING - NOT IN SCOPE OF WORK
- NEW BUILDING - SCOPE OF WORK
- FIRE TRUCK ACCESS
20'-0" WIDE MIN. (13'-6" HIGH MIN. CLEARANCE)
- (E) FIRE DEPARTMENT CONNECTION
- (E) FIRE HYDRANT
- HOSE LENGTH (TOTAL LENGTH 150' MAX)
PER CFC 503.1



1 FIRE LIFE SAFETY SITE PLAN
 1" = 40'-0"

AGENCY STAMP

DSA APPLICATION NO: 01-121998

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NEW PAINT BOOTH

FACILITY INFO
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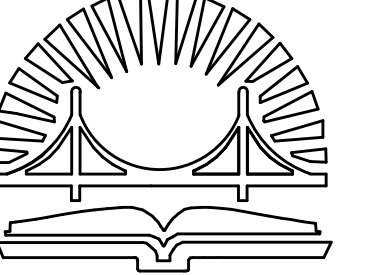
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CODE ANALYSIS FIRE LIFE SAFETY SITE PLAN

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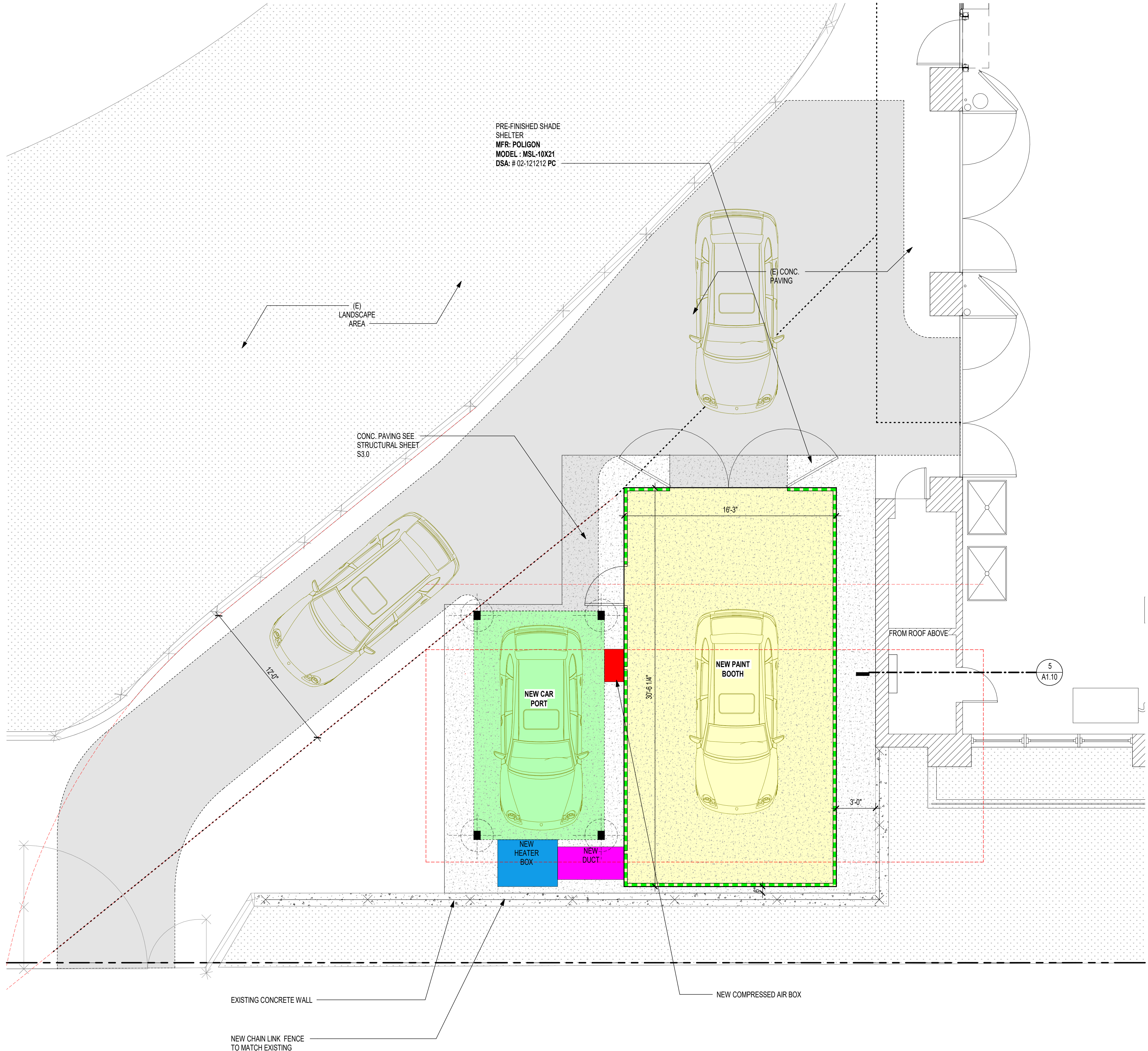
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SHEET TITLE
PARTIAL ENLARGED SITE PLAN

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1 PARTIAL ENLARGED SITE PLAN - SHOP BUILDING / PAINT BOOTH PLAN
1/4" = 1'-0"