

# Development Services

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### APPEAL SUMMARY

**Status:** Decision Rendered - Reconsideration of 14463

<b>Appeal ID:</b> 14747	<b>Project Address:</b> 5313 & 5327 N Interstate Ave, 1518 N Williamette Blvd
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<b>Hearing Date:</b> 3/8/17	<b>Appellant Name:</b> Andrew Reiter
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<b>Case No.:</b> P-005	<b>Appellant Phone:</b> 503-597-3222
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<b>Appeal Type:</b> Plumbing	<b>Plans Examiner/Inspector:</b> Chuck Luttmann
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<b>Project Type:</b> commercial	<b>Stories:</b> 7 <b>Occupancy:</b> Residential <b>Construction Type:</b> Commercial
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<b>Building/Business Name:</b> Williamette Apartments	<b>Fire Sprinklers:</b> No
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<b>Appeal Involves:</b> Erection of a new structure, Reconsideration of appeal	<b>LUR or Permit Application No.:</b> 16-279600-CO
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<b>Plan Submitted Option:</b> pdf [File 1] [File 2] [File 3]	<b>Proposed use:</b> Apartments
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### APPEAL INFORMATION SHEET

#### Appeal item 1

<b>Code Section</b>	OPSC 2014, 1101.5.3.2 1101.2
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<b>Requires</b>	"No drywell shall be located closer than 5 feet of a property line nor closer than 10 feet to a building unless approved by the building official. Each drainage connection to a dry well shall be made at the top center of the lid by the use of an approved 90 degree waste fitting. Support of piping shall be as required by Chapter 3 of this code. Special permission shall be granted to enter the side of the dry well where grade and structural conditions make top entrance impractical."
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<b>Proposed Design</b>	The Infiltration Manhole is 4 feet in width. An 8 inch PVC pipe will be used for inflow. The drywell is approximately 17 feet in depth and 8 feet in width. The lower 10 feet is perforated for infiltration. Approximately 1 ½" - ¾" drain rock will be used.
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<b>Reason for alternative</b>	There will be no overflow connection. Due to the design constraints of the building footprint, we are unable to meet the City's setbacks for a drywell, which are 10 feet from building and 5 feet from right-of-way.
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The outer wall of drywell to the western property corner (right-of-way) is approximately 1.89 ft and to the center of the drywell is approximately 5.89 ft. The drywell location meets the setback for the right-of-way.

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The outer wall of drywell to the building is approximately 1.46 ft and to the center of the drywell is approximately 5.46 ft. The drywall location does not meet the 10 foot setback from the building. A structural engineer will ensure the building will have the structural elements to achieve stability.

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## APPEAL DECISION

### **Reduced setbacks for drywell: Granted as proposed**

The Administrative Appeal Board finds that the information submitted by the appellant demonstrates that the approved modifications or alternate methods are consistent with the intent of the code; do not lessen health, safety, accessibility, life, fire safety or structural requirements; and that special conditions unique to this project make strict application of those code sections impractical.

Pursuant to City Code Chapter 25.07, you may appeal this decision to the Plumbing Code Board of Appeal within 180 calendar days of the date this decision is published. For information on the appeals process and costs, including forms, appeal fee, payment methods and fee waivers, go to [www.portlandoregon.gov/bds/appealsinfo](http://www.portlandoregon.gov/bds/appealsinfo), call (503) 823-7300 or come in to the Development Services Center.

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To: Development Services

From: Andrew Reiter, P.E., P.L.S.  
PACE Engineers, Inc.  
5000 Meadows Road  
Lake Oswego, Oregon 97035  
(503) 597-3222

**Project:** Willamette Apartments 5313 & 5327 N Interstate, 1518 N Willamette Blvd (5325 N. Interstate Ave)

Appeal ID: 14463

**Re:** Plumbing appeal decision

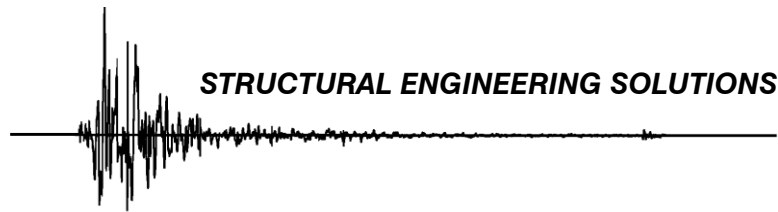
**1 - Denial:** "P-1: Location of drywell: Denied. Piped overflows from private drywells to the City's sewer are not allowed."

**Response:** The drywell was designed to handle the 100 year storm event.

If or when the drywell fails, the flow will be released through the manhole cover. It will drain overland to the curb. There will be clear indicators of the failure, therefore requiring remedial repairs.

**2- Denial:** "Structural engineer's report regarding impact on the foundations system"

**Response:** See attached Geo Technical Report from PSI and Structural Engineers response.



February 27, 2016

Mr. Ryan Miyahira  
Ankrom Moisan Architects, Inc.  
38 NW Davis, Suite 300  
Portland, OR 97209

Re: Interstate & Willamette – Drywell Location

Regarding your inquiry whether the drywell location being closer than ten feet has any impact on the structure systems:

The project design is a conventional foundation system and slab on grade. As such the structural design is based on the allowable bearing pressure stated in the Geotechnical Report. We have reached out to the Geotechnical Engineer to ascertain if the location of the drywell will affect our bearing pressures or require structural modification. Per the February 16, 2017 memorandum issued by the Geotechnical Engineer the location of the drywell does not affect the recommendations provided in their report, and therefore the structural design and foundation does not require modification.

Sincerely,

Paul Feather, PE SE  
President  
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## TECHNICAL MEMORANDUM

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To: Ryan Miyahira, Ankrom Moisan Architects, Inc.  
From: Mike Kath, PE Project Engineer  
Michael Place, PE Principle Engineer  
Copies To: Paul Feather -SE Solutions, Luke Argeanton- SE Solutions, Michael Robblee- Ankrom Mosian Architects  
Date: February 16, 2017  
Project No.: 0704870  
Project Name: Proposed Apartments  
1518 N. Willamette Boulevard  
Portland, Oregon  
Subject: Foundation Bearing Recommendations for Proposed Dry Well Location

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At your request PSI has prepared this technical memorandum regarding the proposed dry well location as shown on the attached civil utility plan and infiltration manhole section details.

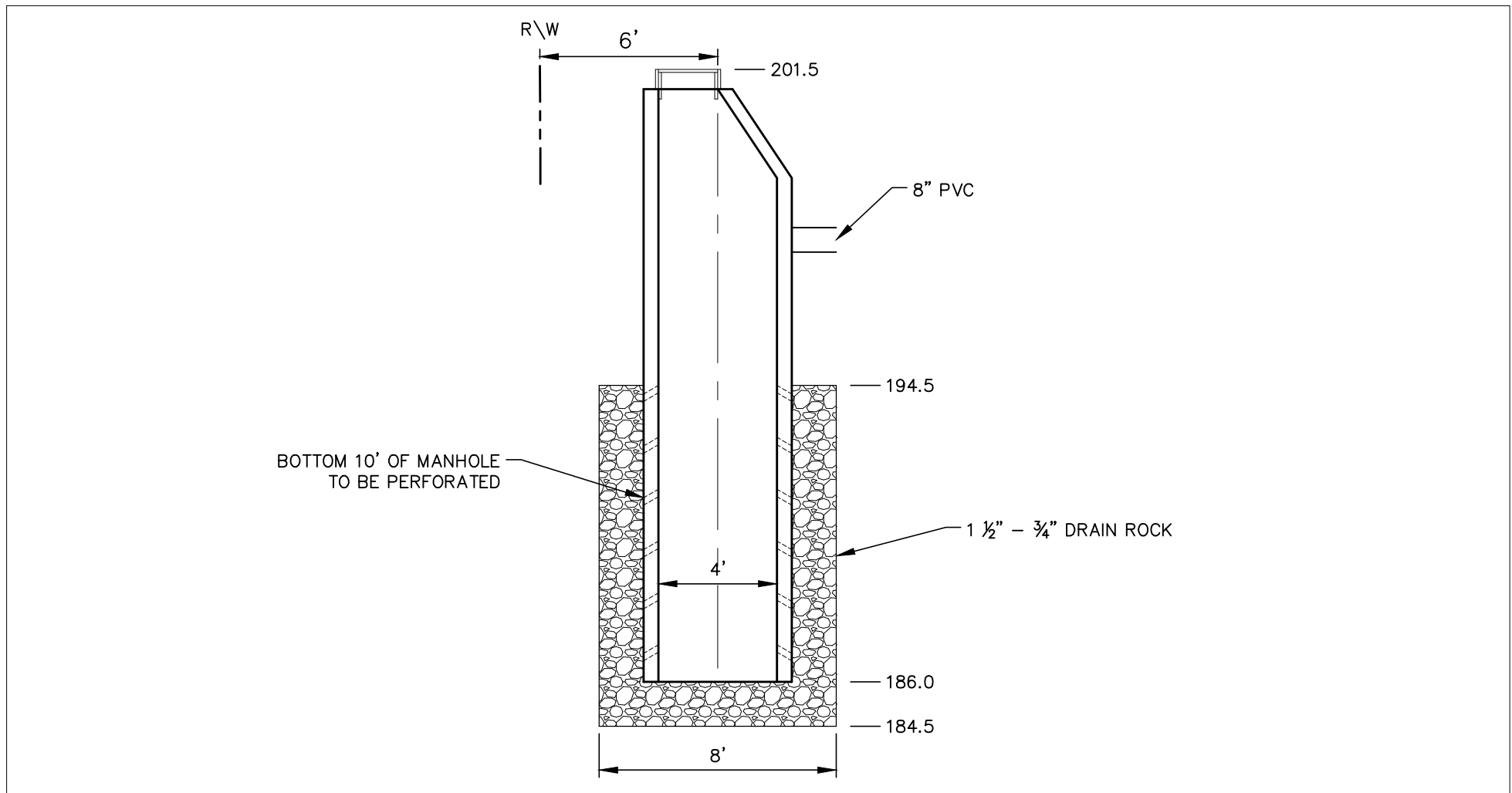
Previously, PSI submitted a geotechnical report for the subject site, "*Geotechnical Engineering Report, Proposed Apartments 1518 N Willamette Boulevard, Portland, Oregon, PSI Project No. 0704-870, Revision No. 1, Revised December 9, 2016*".

Previously, PSI submitted a field infiltration testing letter for the subject site, "*Field Infiltration Testing Letter, Proposed Apartments 1518 N Willamette Boulevard, Portland, Oregon, PSI Project No. 0704-870, September 20, 2016*".

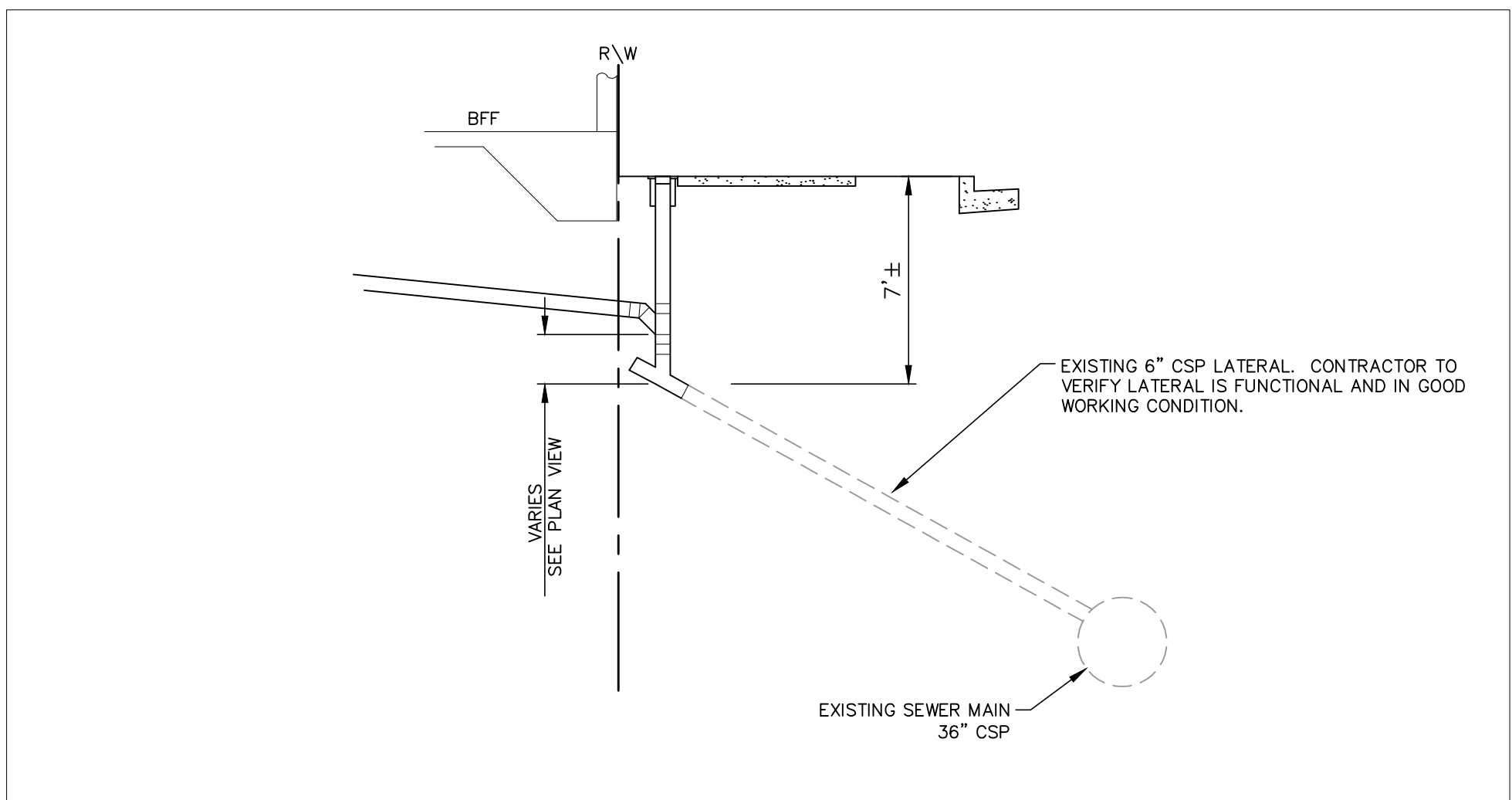
Based on the information provided to PSI, we understand the dry well structure and associated backfill is proposed 3'-4" and 5'-3" from the edge of the building foundation. Based on our review of the provided plans and our above referenced geotechnical report and infiltration testing letter, the proposed drywell is sufficiently set back from the proposed building foundation and does not require additional foundation bearing recommendations at this time. PSI should review any further changes to the planned drywell location if alternate locations are proposed.

Attachments: Provided Plans Reviewed- Civil Utility Plan and Infiltration Manhole Section Detail.

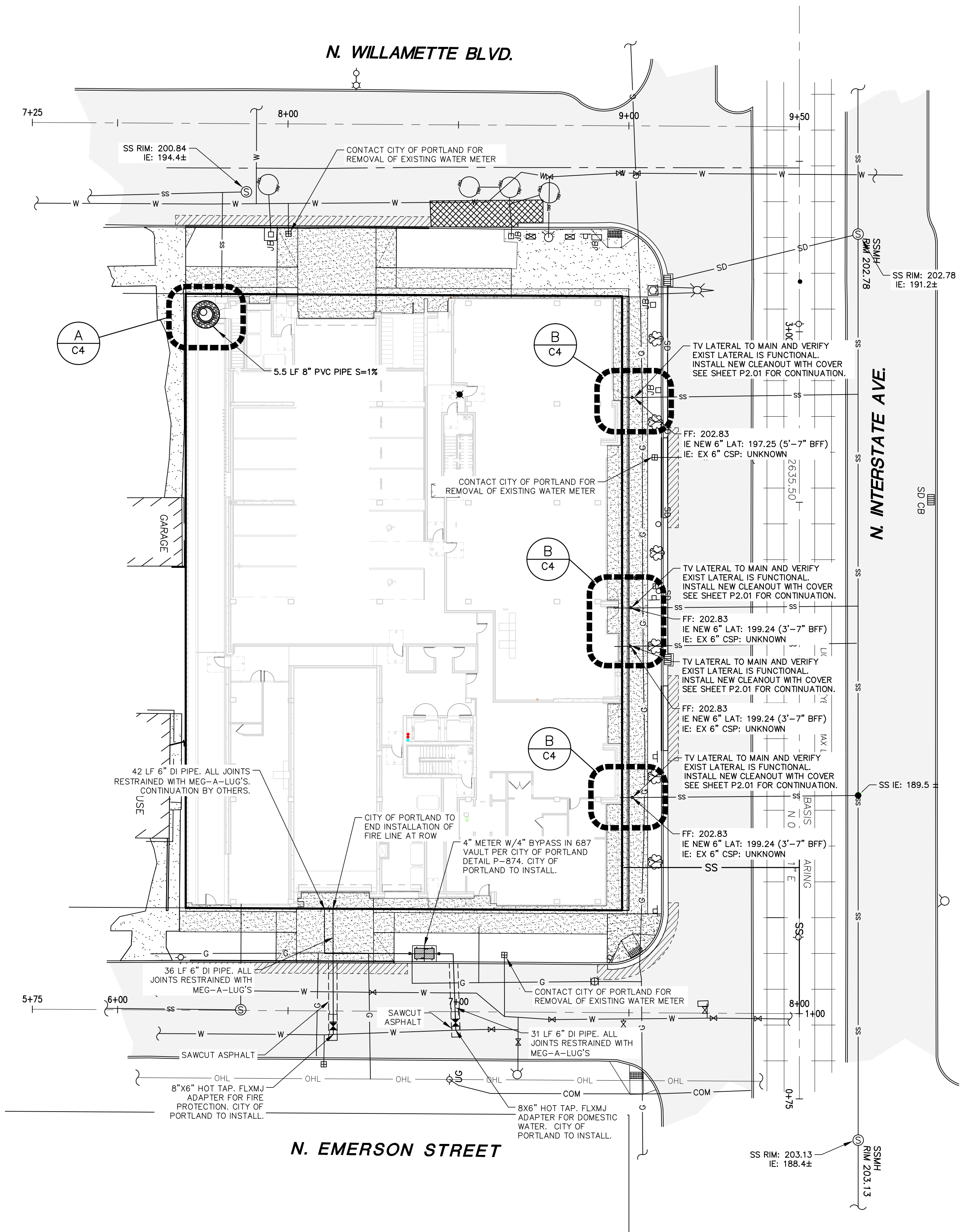
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SCALE: 1"=5'



**B**  
C4 **SANITARY SEWER CONNECTION**  
SCALE: 1"=5'



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C4 **UTILITY PLAN**  
SCALE: 1"=20'

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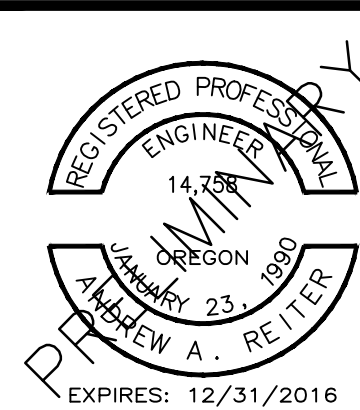
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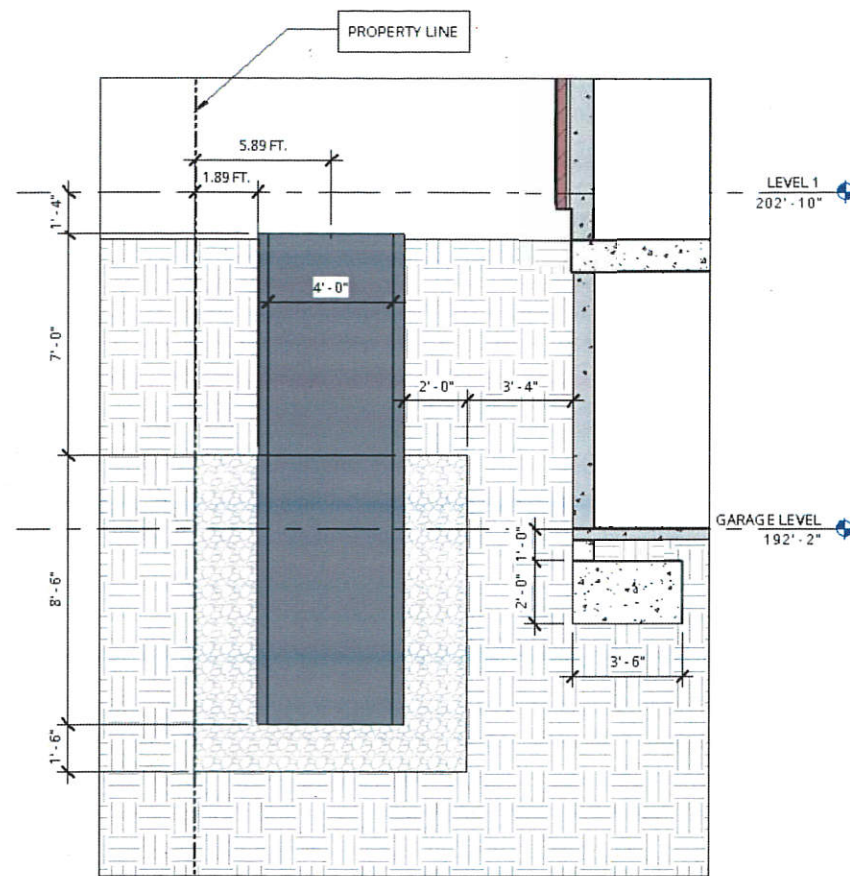
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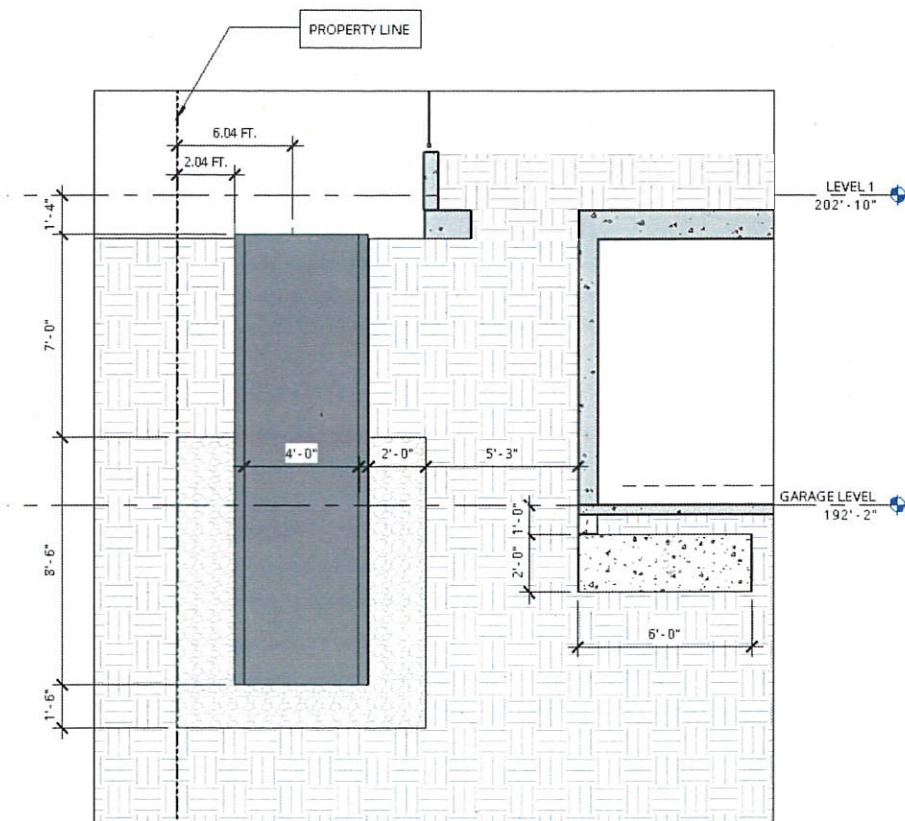


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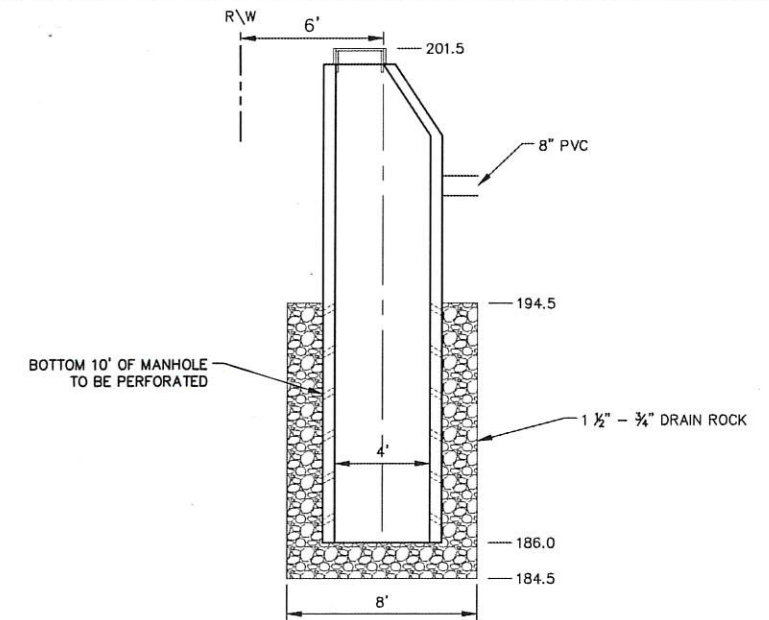
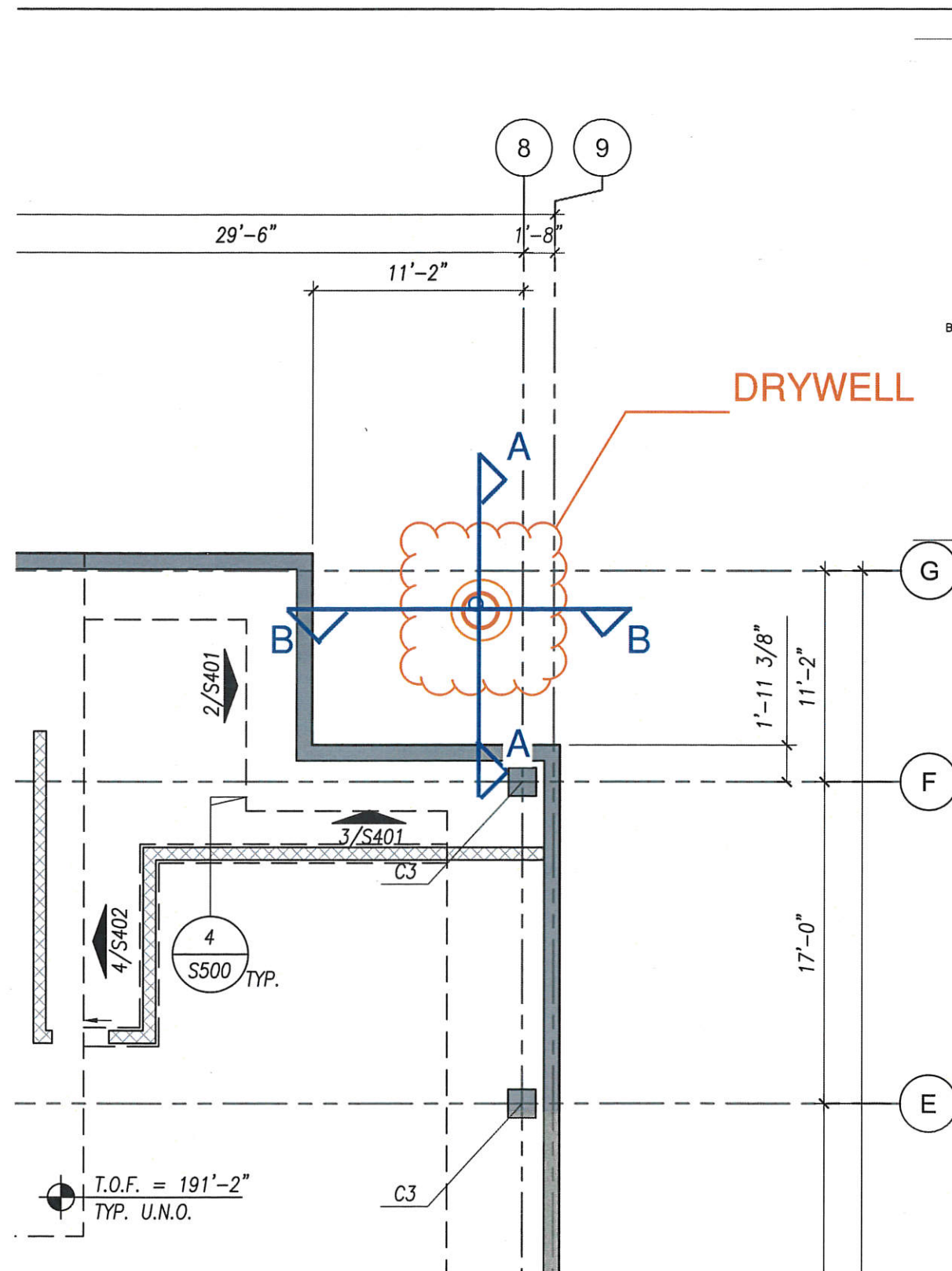




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**P-1: Location of drywell: Denied. Piped overflows from private drywells to the City's sewer are not allowed. Additionally, structural engineer's report required regarding impact on foundation system.**

**Appellant may contact Joe Blanco (503-823-2059) and Amit Kumar (503-823-7561) for details.**

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