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June 22, 2015

John Wesley, Planning Director Gordon Sheffield, Zoning Administrator City of Mesa 55 N. Center Street Mesa, AZ 85211

RE: Request to Amend Stipulations of Comprehensive Sign Plan Approval - BA14-032 1948 E. McKellips; Redevelopment of Chuy's Pad with new McDonald's Restaurant

Dear John;

On Tuesday, June 10, 2014, the City of Mesa Board of Adjustment approved the request by Jeff Kost, owner of the Orange Tree Plaza shopping center ("Center") at the northwest corner of McKellips and Gilbert Roads, for a Special Use Permit to modify the Center's original Comprehensive Sign Plan (CSP) subject to six (6) stipulations (see Exhibit A) in conjunction with McDonald's redevelopment of the former Chuy's Restaurant PAD.

As we discussed in our meeting on April 20th, the nature and scope of these stipulations to the CSP was a surprise to both Mr. Kost and McDonald's, because they were first presented to them right before the Board's hearing. While the decision was made to move forward at that time, when Mr. Kost and McDonald's had time to digest and fully evaluate the impacts of the stipulations, it became apparent that revisions to the language on a few of them would be needed to move forward with the redevelopment of the Center generally and the McDonald's restaurant specifically. As McDonald's began to pursue final plans to secure a building permit, they compared these stipulations to those approved on the signage plans for the other recently approved and constructed McDonalds' restaurants in Mesa and found the language of a few of the stipulations to be inconsistent with those prior approvals and unnecessarily restrictive.

Looking back now with perfect hindsight, Mr. Kost and McDonald's should have requested a continuance of the Board's review of the CSP to discuss these stipulations with Staff in more detail. That said, as McDonald's now moves forward to construction, they truly feel a couple of the stipulations will seriously impede this proposed redevelopment and some relief is appropriate.

The purpose of this letter is therefore to formally request an amendment of the approved CSP for the Center to request certain modifications to the stipulations noted below, which are consistent with the sign designs we discussed with you in the April meeting.

The attached McDonald's Sign Program, (see Exhibit B), proposes to replace pages 300 to 315 of the approved CSP with revised sign designs. In order to comply with Stipulation No. 3 as suggested in our April meeting, the Front Elevation and the Drive-thru sheets were revised. On the Front Elevation sheet (Exhibit C), the removal of the Golden Arches (to reduce the number of signs on this elevation to just one sign) is illustrated. On the Drive-thru Elevation sheet (Exhibit D), the movement of the restaurant name "McDonald's" to a location nearer the front of the restaurant where it could be paired up with the Golden Arches logo into an inverted "L" shape is illustrated; again, so this elevation would also have just one sign.

The sign area calculations for these noted elevations have been revised and now meet Mesa's Sign Code. The other pages are being resubmitted, simply because the building details, color and print are better quality, not due to any proposed changes. You will note that we have retained the raceway sign mount referenced in Stipulation No. 2 and the "Welcome" signs referenced in Stipulation No. 4, as discussed at the April meeting. Both of these sign elements are very subtle and not viewable from more than a few feet away from the signs themselves. Neither have any viewability from off the site.

The only remaining issue is Stipulation 5 regarding the location of the "Drive-thru" and "Order-here" signs, located interior and facing into the site on the west side of the restaurant. These signs are virtually identical to those approved by the City and installed at every other new or remodeled McDonald's in Mesa. Stipulation no. 5 states:

"5. Relocate the "Drive-thru" and "Order-here" text and integrate it into the ordering canopy and the single arm gate."

This stipulation would require completely customized signs that have never been required in Mesa or elsewhere in the valley for that matter without any corresponding public benefit to be derived. We understood at the recent meeting that Staff's primary concern with the current design was the potential visibility of these signs off-site.

To address that potential concern, we have prepared several exhibits (see attached Exhibits E, F and G), which together illustrate that the exceptionally deep landscape setbacks on the south and west sides of the McDonald's PAD — will obscure for all practical purposes any view of the ordering, canopy and single arm gate, let alone the actual lettering of the signs on those features from the public streets. Given that the location of these "Drive-thru" and "Orderhere" signs will be located approximately 75 ft. back from McKellips Road and behind extensive landscaping, together with the inward orientation of those signs means they simply will not be directly viewable as signs, except to the drive thru customers. These signs will aid customers in lining up into the two alternate lanes. Attempting to relocate and integrate these "Drive-thru" and "Order-here" signs into the structural canopy feature itself would seriously hamper their functionality without any corresponding public benefit.

Finally, we are providing you with a revised calculation of all of the proposed McDonald's signs in Exhibit H. These calculations show that the proposed total amount of signage is now within that allowed by the Mesa Sign Code.

We hope you agree with our conclusions on these minor modifications. The number, size and square footage of the signs in McDonald's revised sign package is now consistent with the allowance in the Sign Code and the signage approved by the City at the other new (or redeveloped) McDonald's restaurants in Mesa.

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Exhibit A



July 7, 2014

Jeffrey Kost Glenwood Development Company LLC 1333 North Greenfield Road Suite #104 Mesa, AZ 85205

Board of Adjustment Case BA14-032 1948 East McKellips Road

Dear Mr. Kost:

On Tuesday, June 10, 2014, the City of Mesa Board of Adjustment approved your request for a Special Use Permit to modify a Comprehensive Sign Plan (CSP) in the LC zoning district with conditions.

- 1. Compliance with sign plan submitted, except as modified by these conditions.
- Individual letters shall not be mounted on a raceway and shall be mounted directly to the building. The use of a raceway to mount individual letters is prohibited within the sign ordinance, and is not part of the approval of this comprehensive sign plan.
- 3. Relocate two-of the Wall Arches (logos) adjacent the "McDonald's" text in order to consider the square footage as one sign each. The third Wall Arch can be located as shown on the north side of the building as the allowed third attached sign.
- 4. Relocate the "Welcome" signs as window signage in the entry.
- 5. Relocate the "Drive-thru" and "Order-here" text and integrate it into the ordering canopy and the single arm gate.
- 6. Compliance with all requirements of Development Services In the issuance of sign permits.

A copy of the signed application for your case has been enclosed. Minutes of your case will be available following approval at the next Board of Adjustment hearing. If you have any questions, or need any further assistance, please contact the Planning Division at (480) 644-4273.

In addition, when applying for building permits, please submit a copy of the approval letter and a copy of the Board of Adjustment minutes with your application, as this will help facilitate the process.

Regards,

Mike Gildenstern Planning Assistant

Exhibit B



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1948 E MCKELLIPS - MESA, AZ

SIGN PROGRAM BOOK



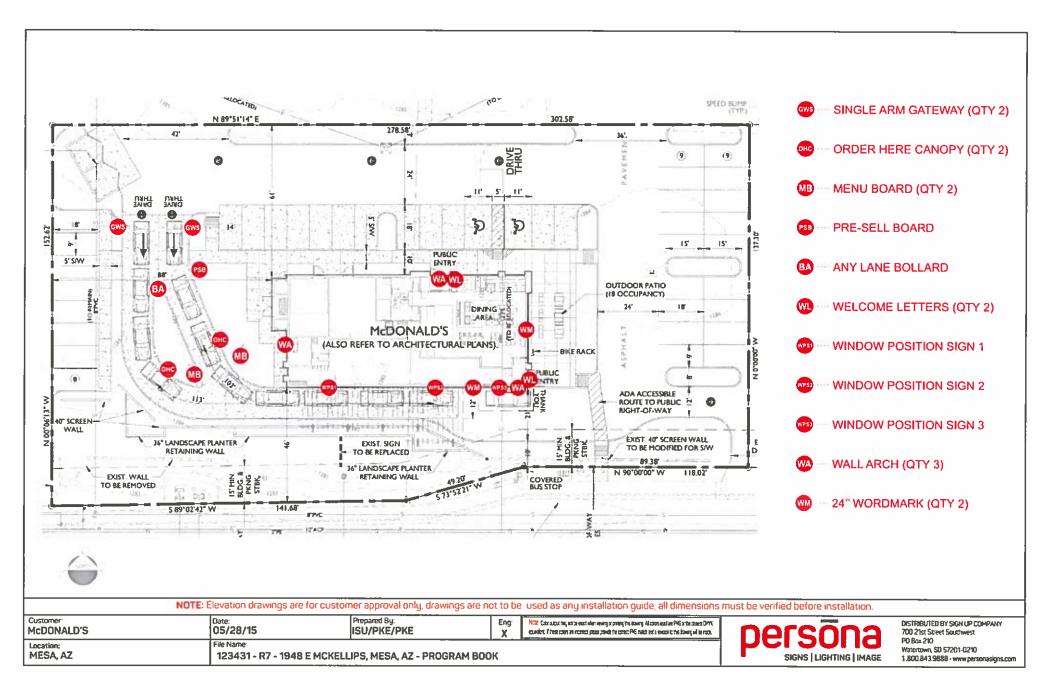
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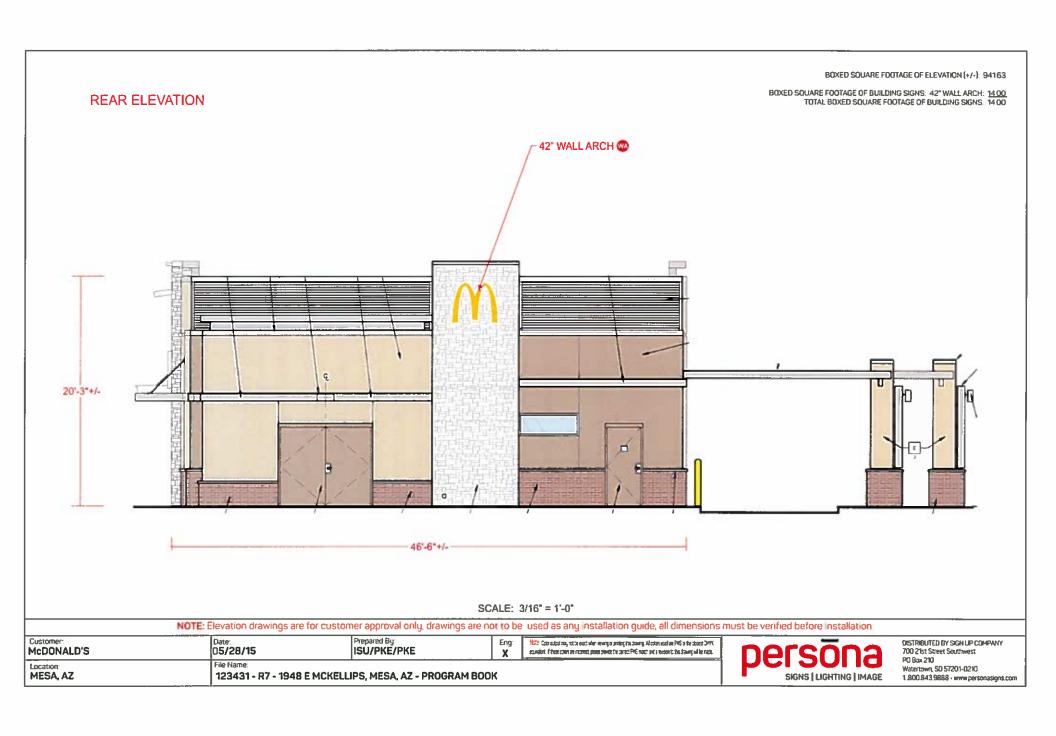
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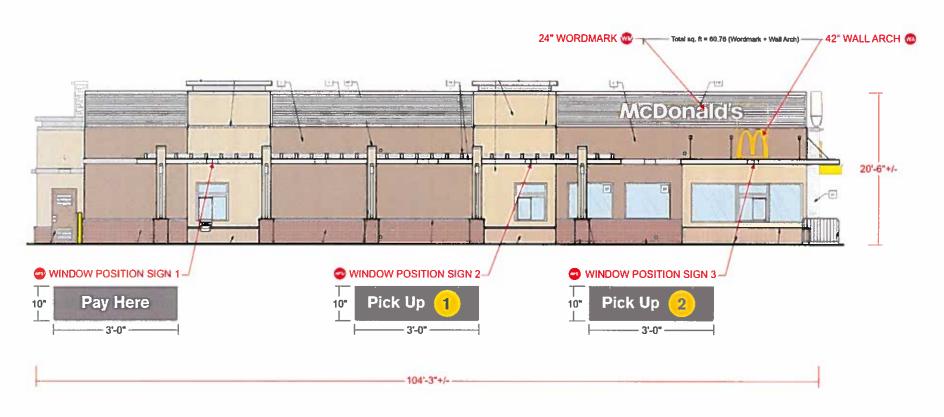
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TOTAL BOXED SQUARE FOOTAGE OF BUILDING SIGNS: 6826





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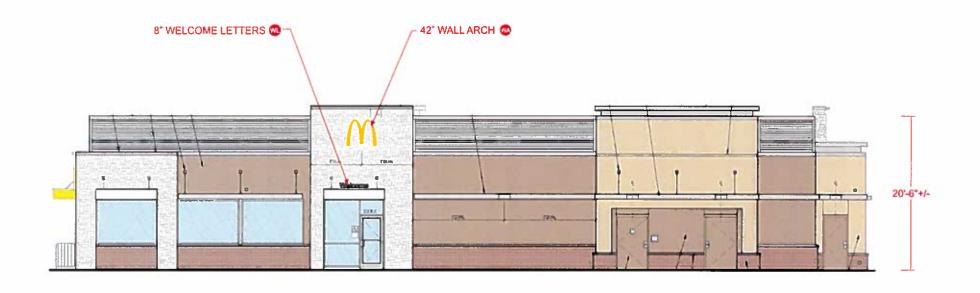


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NON DRIVE-THRU ELEVATION



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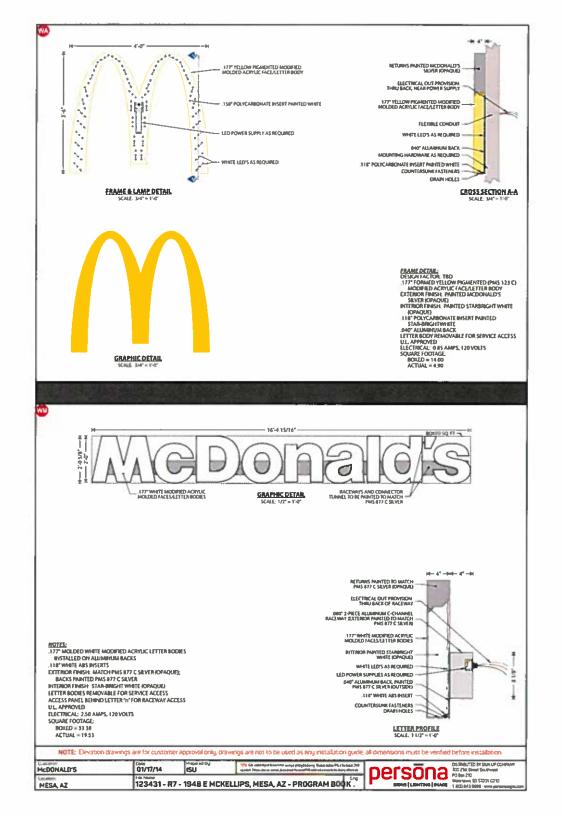
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3/4" -

GRAPHIC DETAIL SCALE: 1 1/2" = 1'-0"

"WELCOME" LETTER DETAILS 3/4" ALUMINUM LETTERS WITH 1ST SURFACE DECORATION: 7725-120 SILVER - "WELCOME"

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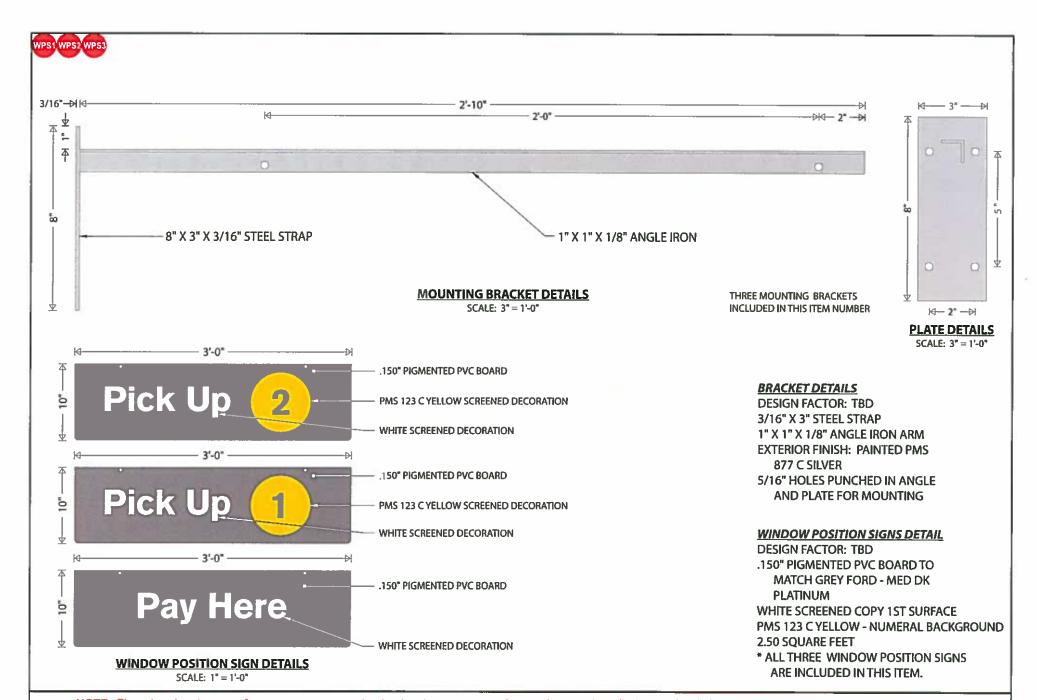
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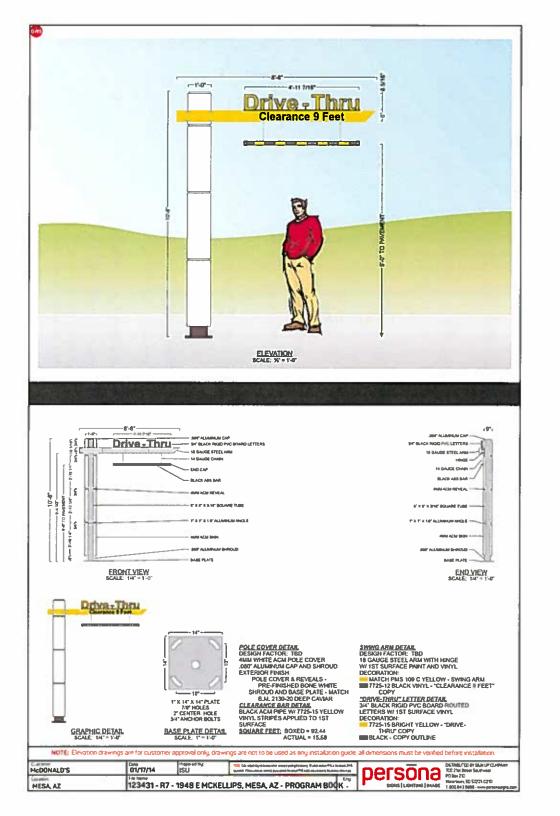
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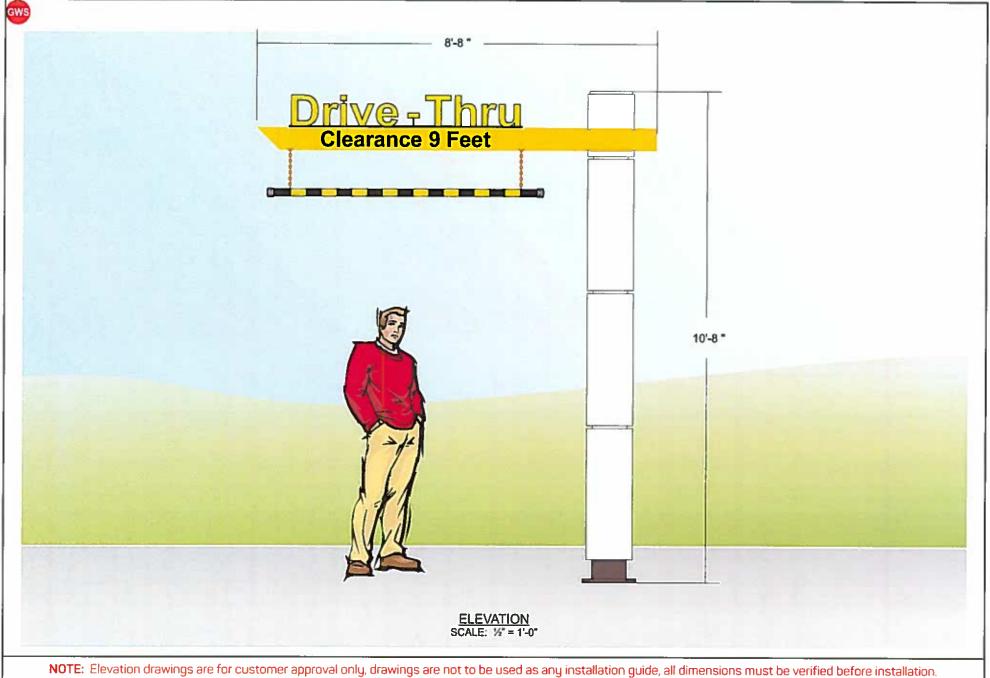
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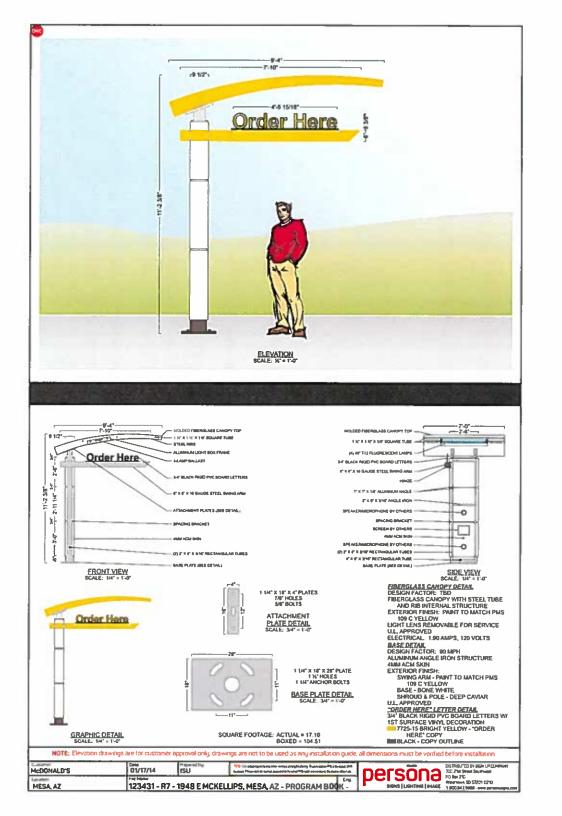


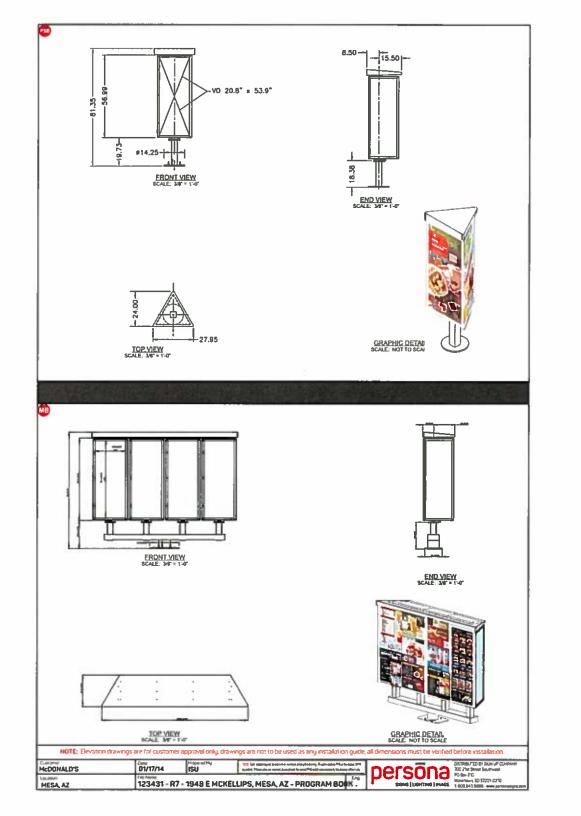


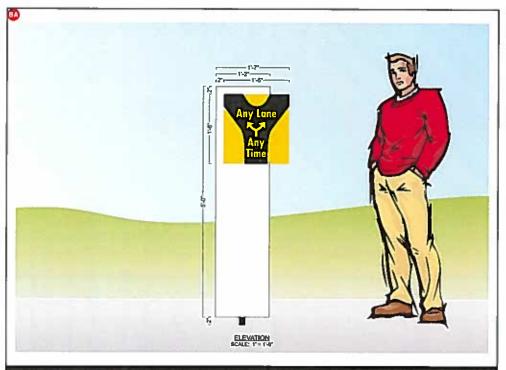
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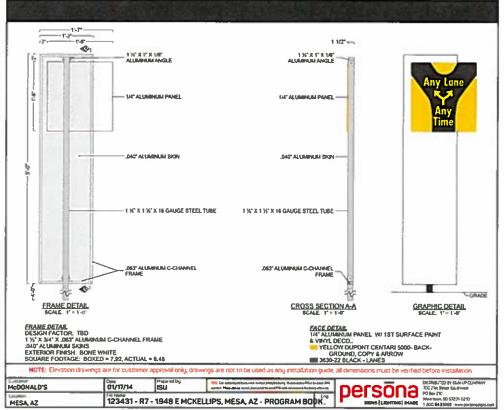


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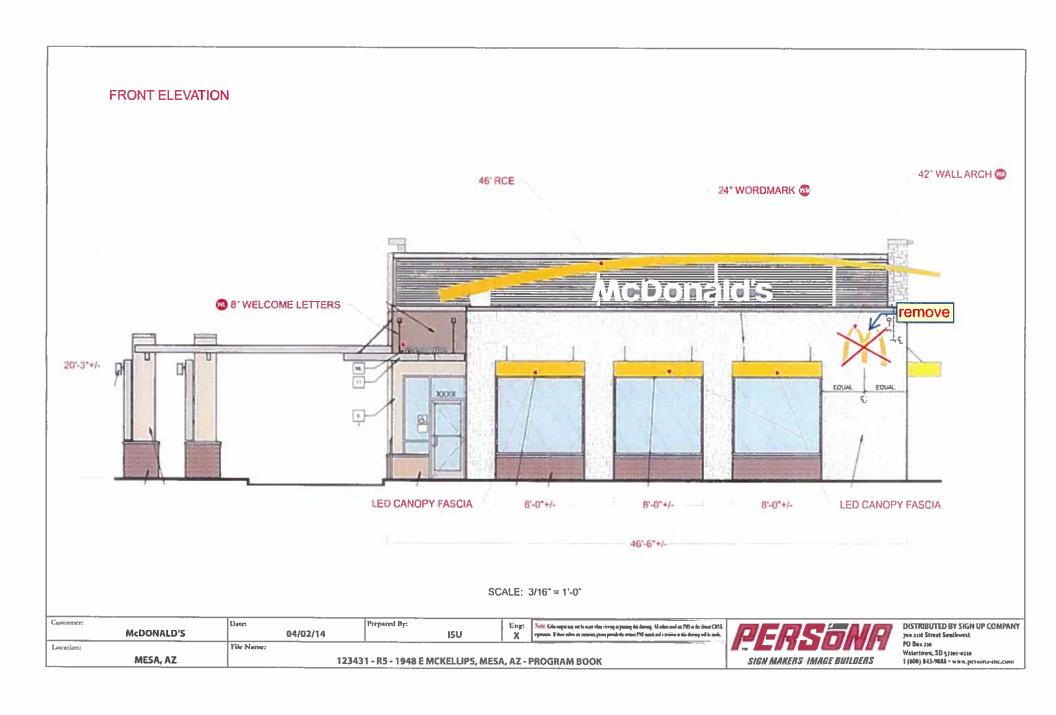


Exhibit D

DRIVE-THRU ELEVATION 42" WALL ARCH s.f. calculation 24" WORDMARK @ based on this area Mes omales 20'-6"+/-WINDOW POSITION SIGN 1 WINDOW POSITION SIGN 2 WINDOW POSITION SIGN 3 **Pay Here** Pick Up Pick Up 10° 3'-0" 3'-0" 3'-0" 104-3"+/-SCALE: 1/8" = 1'-0" Customen Date: Prepared By: Note: Calor super not not be exect when vive up or printing this drowing. If other such an FIS or the closes CDN populates. If there exists no not occurred printing from the contract printing of the contract printing from the contract printing of DISTRIBUTED BY SIGN UP COMPANY McDONALD'S 04/02/14 ISU 700 rest Street Southwest PD Bestate File Name: Location: Watertswa, SD 57201-0210 E (800) 843-9884 * www.persona-inc.com MESA, AZ 123431 - R5 - 1948 E MCKELLIPS, MESA, AZ - PROGRAM BOOK SIGN MAKERS IMAGE BUILDERS

Exhibit E



Exhibit F



Exhibit G



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McKellips Road Sheet View of Drive-Thru 1948 E. McKellips Rd., Mesa, AZ. LOC:002-1012 May 22, 2015



Exhibit H

McDonald's 1948 E. McKellips Sign Area Calculations

Front Elevation

Wordmark – 19.53 sq ft
Welcome letters – 2.54 sq ft

Total proposed signage for Front Elevation = 22.07 sq ft; Max signage allowed = 93 sq ft

Building Elevation – 941.63 sq ft Proposed Signs vs Elevation – 7.2%

Rear Elevation

Wall Arch - 14 sq ft

Total proposed signage for Rear Elevation = 14 sq ft; Max signage allowed = 93 sq ft

Building Elevation – 941.63 sq ft Signs vs Elevation – 1.5%

Drive-Thru Elevation

Wordmark/Wall arch – 60.76 sq ft Window Position Signs – 7.50 sq ft

Total proposed signage for Drive-Thru Elevation = 68.26 sq ft; Max signage allowed = 206.50 sq ft

Building Elevation – 2137.13 sq ft Signs vs Elevation – 3.2%

Non Drive-Thru Elevation

Wall Arch - 14 sq ft

Welcome Letters – 2.54 sq ft

Total proposed signage for Non Drive-Thru Elevation = 16.54 sq ft Max signage allowed = 206.50 sq ft

Building Elevation – 2137.13 sq ft Signs vs Elevation – 0.7%

ALLOWED SQUARE FEET = 2 SQ FT/1 LIN FT OF BUILDING FRONTAGE NTE 160 SQ FT TOTAL.

PROPOSED TOTAL SQUARE FEET OF BUILDING SIGNS = 120.87 SQ FT

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