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**RE: SEPTA Snyder Station Improvements - 2100 South Broad Street**

Dear Mr. Smith,

Kelly Maiello Architects (KMA) on behalf of SEPTA is requesting the Art Commission's consideration, review and approval of the above referenced project at its July 10, 2024 meeting.

A narrative description of the proposed improvements is below. Attachments for reference are forthcoming and will include photographs of the existing conditions, context, street and subway platform plans, new subway stairway entrances, elevator head house and rendered perspective views.

The existing Snyder subway station on the Broad Street Line was constructed in 1931 with four (4) stairway entrances from street level down to the mezzanine level, with one stair located on each corner of the Broad Street and Snyder Avenue intersection. The two (2) stairs located on the northwest and southeast corners are free-standing while the two (2) stairs on the northeast and southwest corners abut existing buildings. All four (4) stairs have cast iron guard rails that sit on a granite curb at street level.

Originally, the station had six (6) stairs from the mezzanine level down to the platform level. Circa 1956 the station was renovated and the mezzanine was reconfigured and two (2) of the existing stairs were removed and filled in. One of the street level to mezzanine stairs was relocated and two (2) escalators and head houses were added from street level to mezzanine level, one (1) each on the northeast and southwest corners. Other improvements and renovations through the years include porcelain tile floor at the platform level, fareline fence reconfiguration, repair and cleaning of the decorative ceramic tile, new signage, lighting and electrical upgrades.

The proposed project is accessibility upgrades to the station. The southwest escalator head house has become a safety and security concern for SEPTA, so it and the escalator will be removed and replaced with a new elevator and head house in the same location. The northwest and southeast station entrances will be covered with new stair head houses that will also enclose the existing cast iron stair guardrails. The new elevator and stair head houses will be based on SEPTA's model

that is being used at other stations throughout the transit system. New station signage, conforming to SEPTA's systemwide standards, will be included on the new headhouses and throughout the station.

A new elevator between the mezzanine and platform level will also be added for ADA access between the mezzanine and platform levels. This new elevator will be located within an existing stair opening to eliminate any street level disruption during construction. To account for the stair that is being removed to make room for the new elevator, a new stair connecting the platform and mezzanine level will be constructed in the location of one of the previous stairs that was removed. The new stair location will require reconfiguring back-of-house areas and portions of the fareline fence.

Additional station improvements within the station include a new ticket booth and turnstiles, an accessible bathroom for SEPTA employees, bike parking, new porcelain tile floor finish on the platform level, and waterproofing repairs.

The project construction cost estimate is \$15,000,000. Our understanding is that there is no requirement for art.

If you have any questions or need further information, please do not hesitate to contact me via email at [vguarino@kmarchitects.com](mailto:vguarino@kmarchitects.com) or at (215) 546-0800.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Victor J. Guarino Jr." in a cursive script.

Victor Guarino, RA  
Project Architect

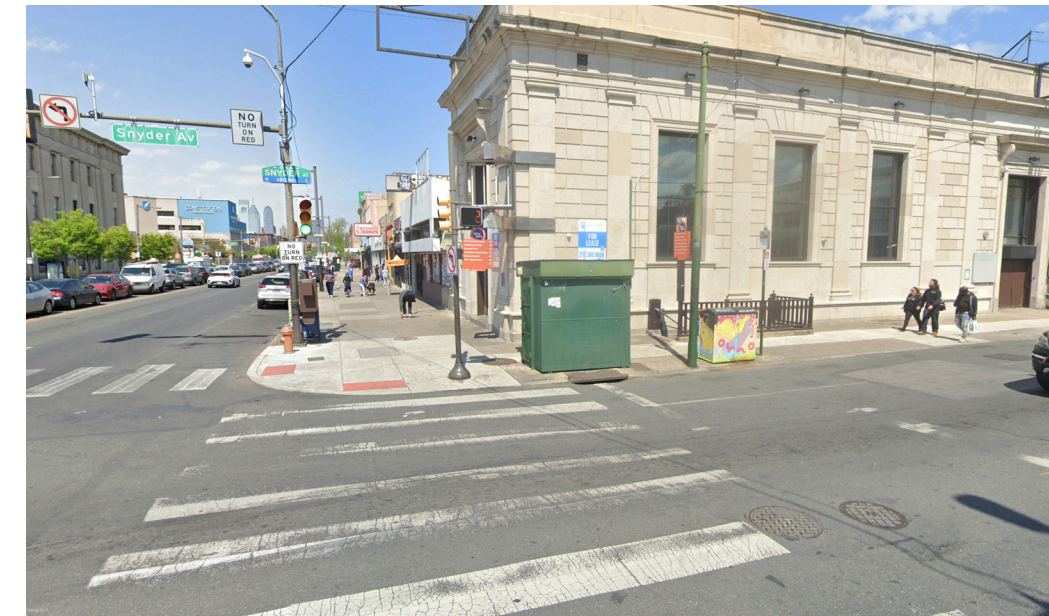
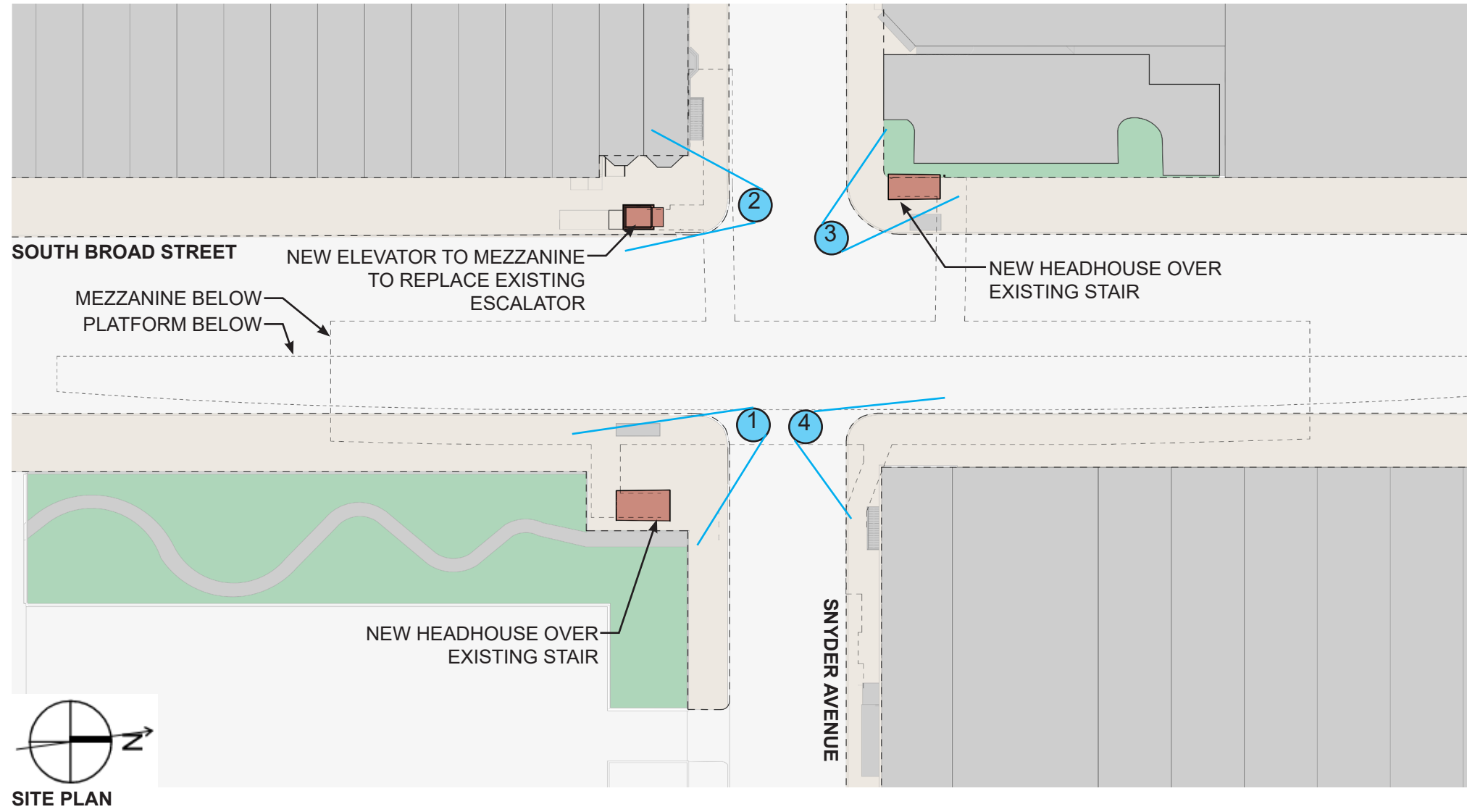
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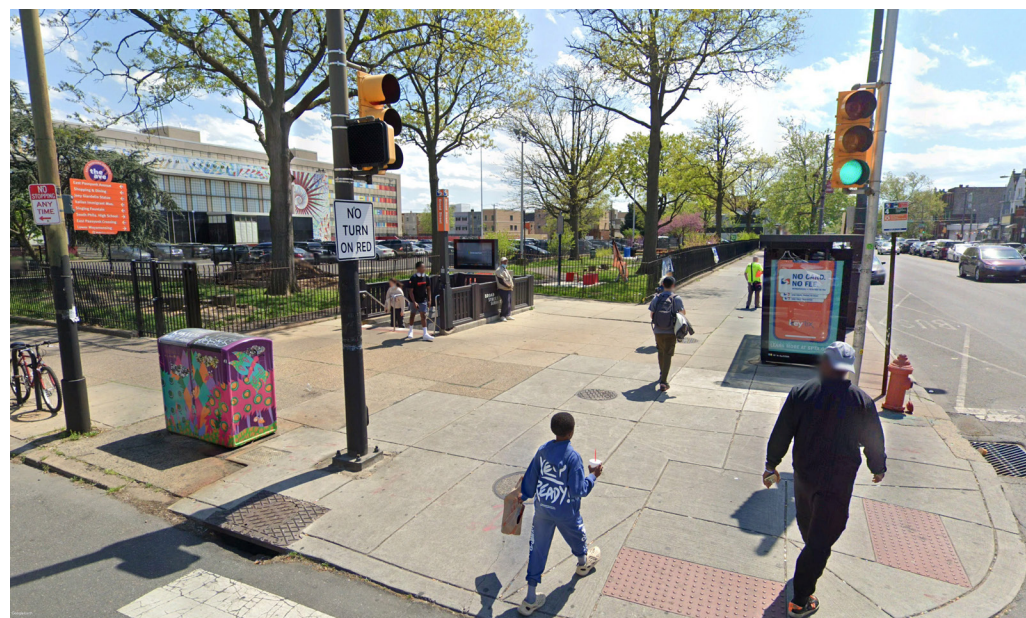
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July 10th, 2024



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4 NORTHEAST CORNER



1 SOUTHEAST CORNER

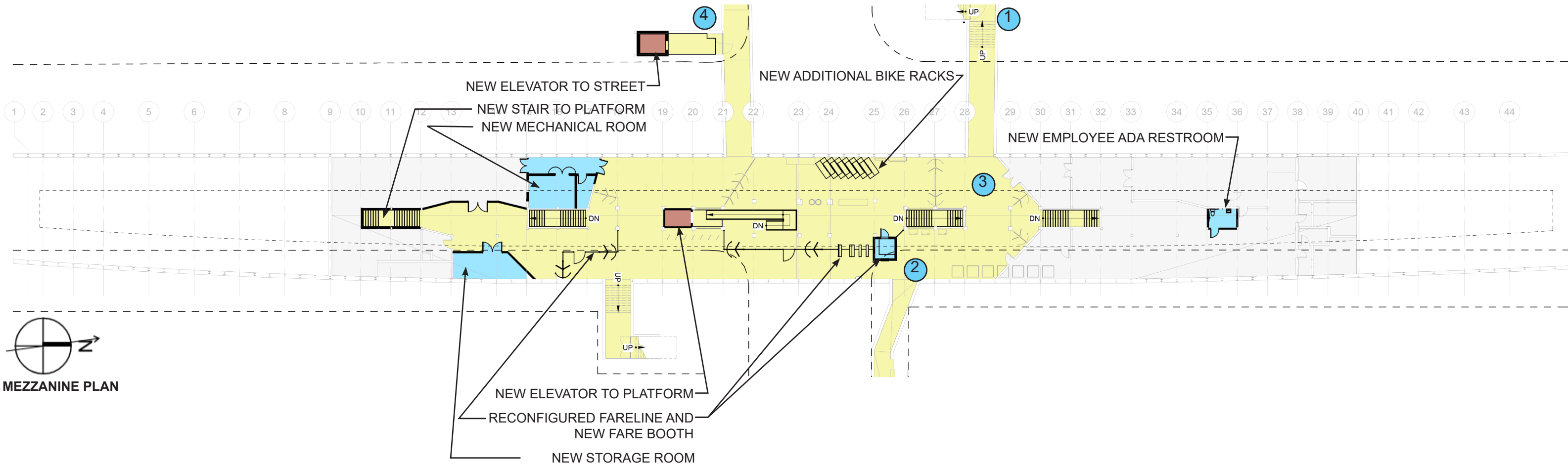


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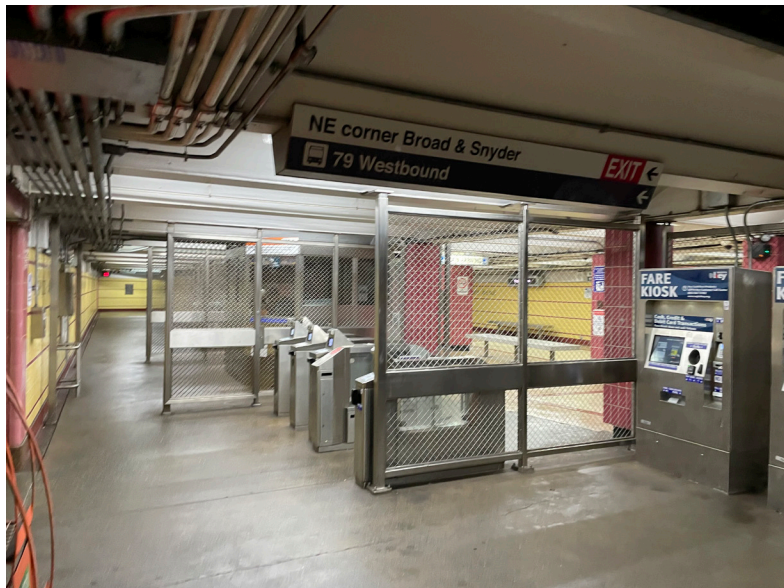


3 NORTHWEST CORNER

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1 NORTHWEST CORNER STAIRWELL



2 TURNSTILES AND FARELINE

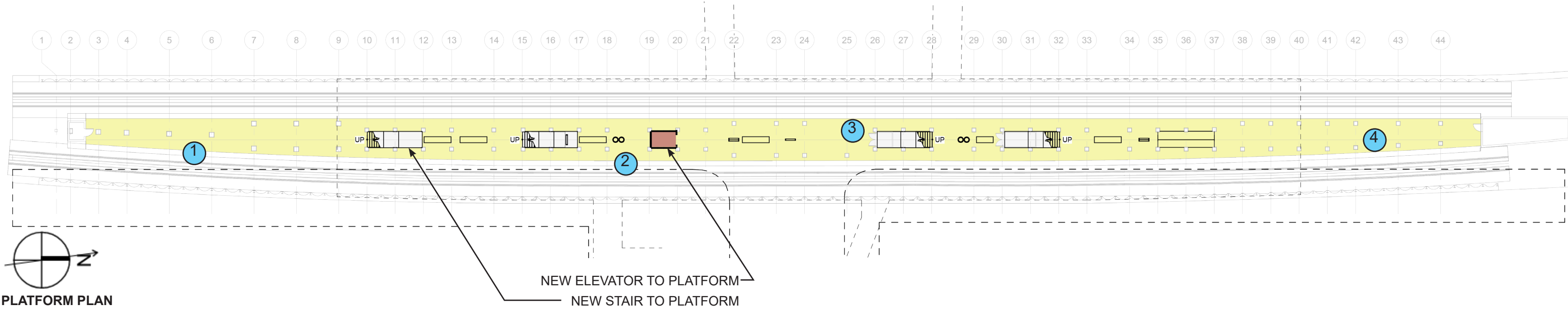


3 GENERAL MEZZANINE FINISH TO REMAIN



4 SOUTHWEST ESCALATOR (TO BE DEMOLISHED)

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1 PLATFORM AT SOUTH END - FINISH REPLACEMENT



2 PLATFORM MID-AREA - FINISH REPLACEMENT

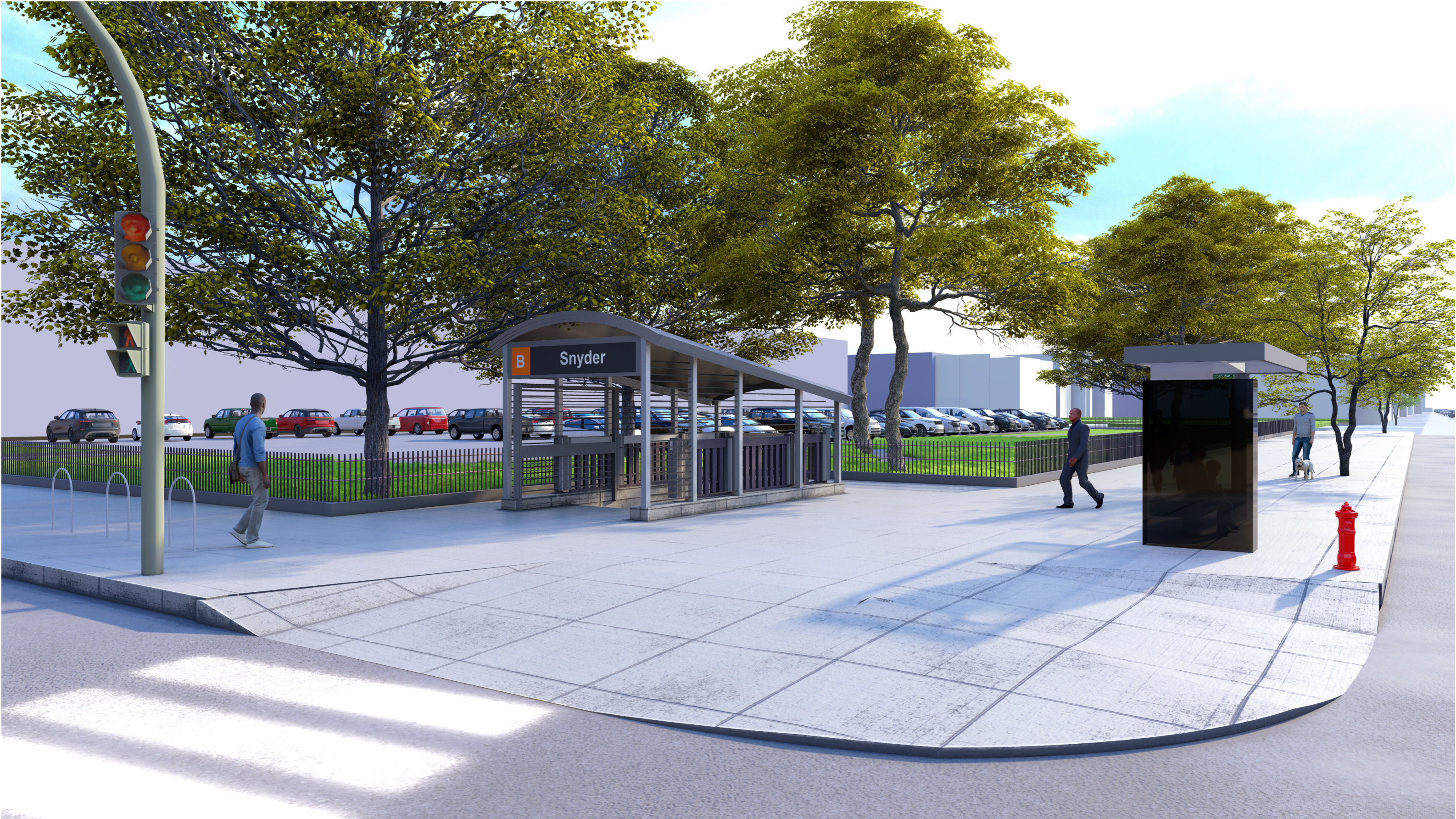


3 PLATFORM TO MEZZANINE STAIR - FINISH REPLACE-



4 PLATFORM GENERAL - FINISH REPLACEMENT

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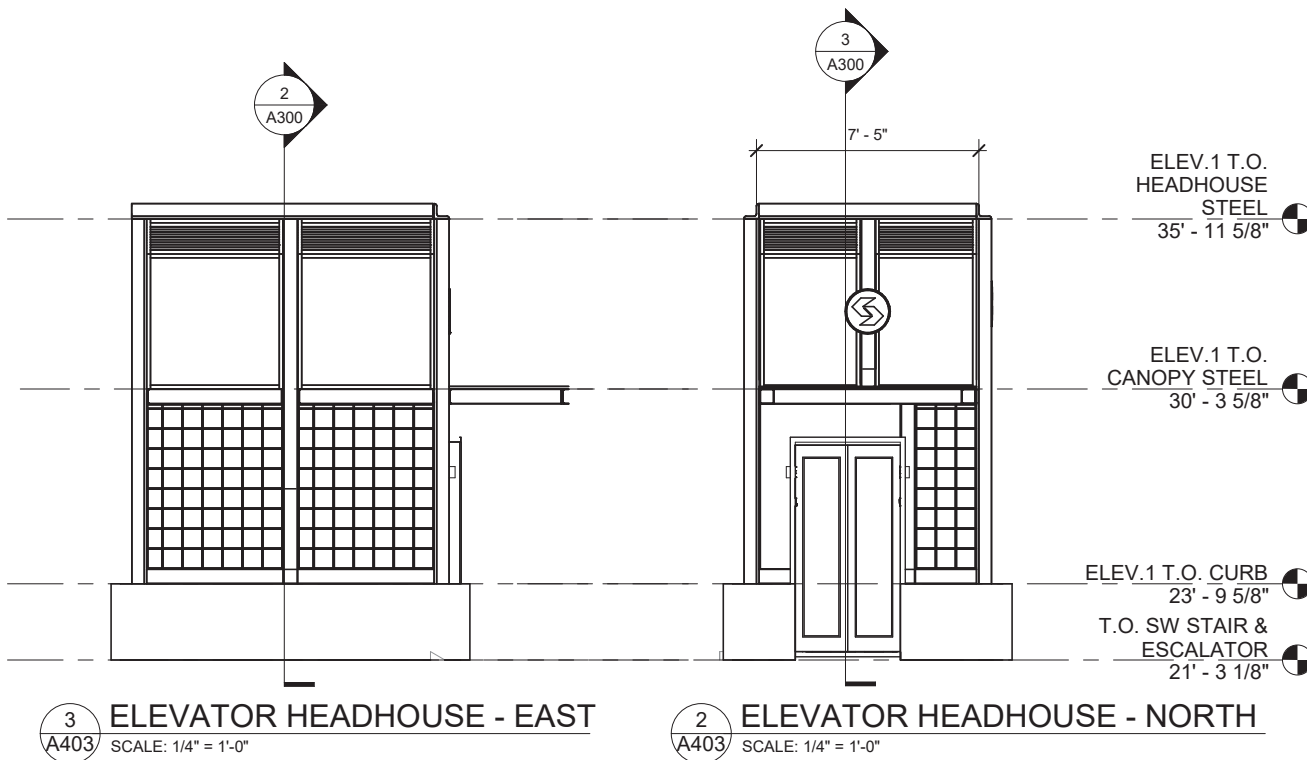
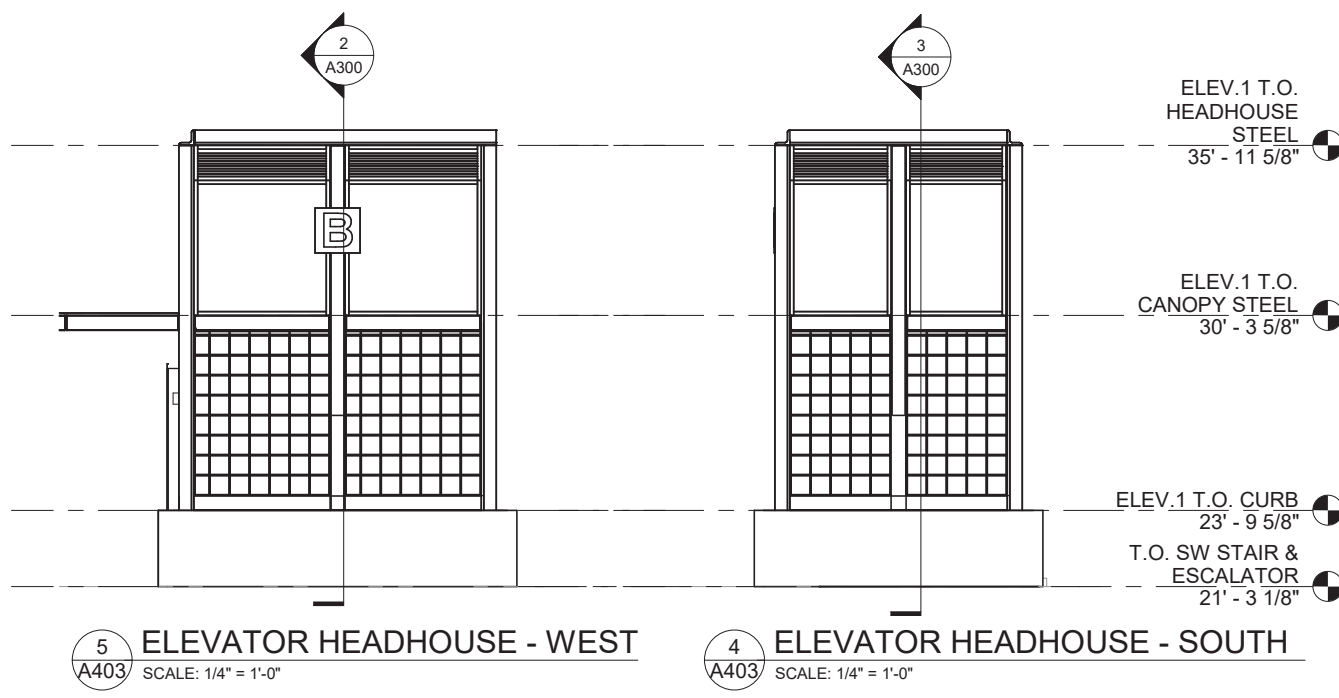
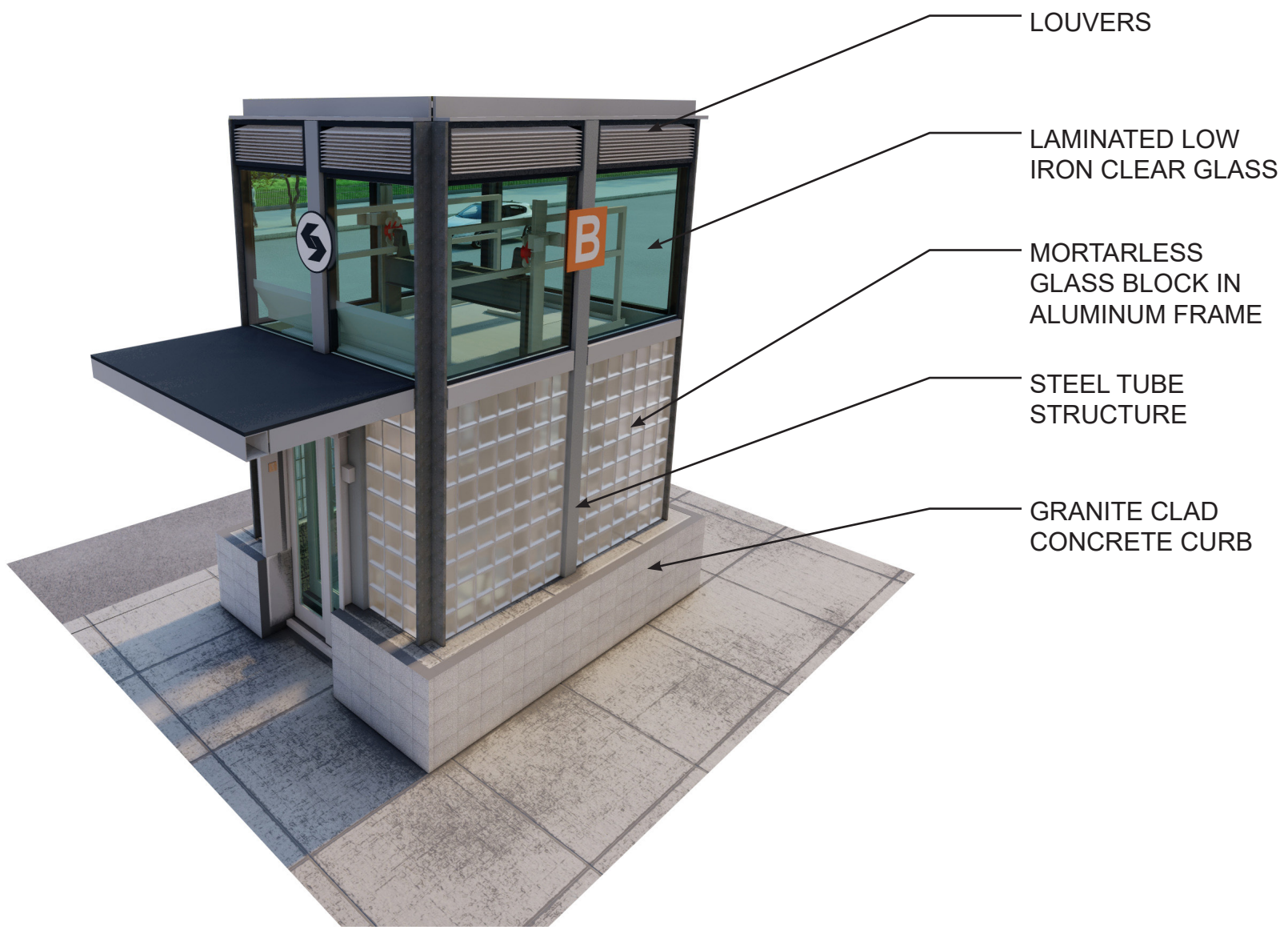




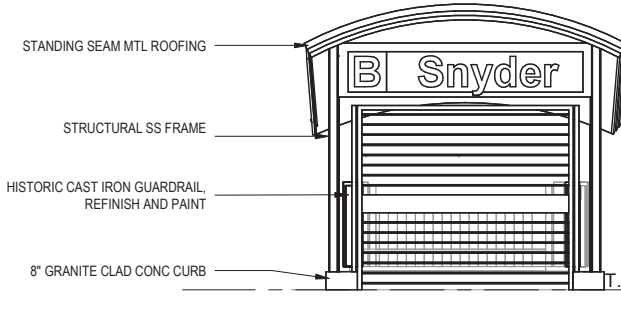
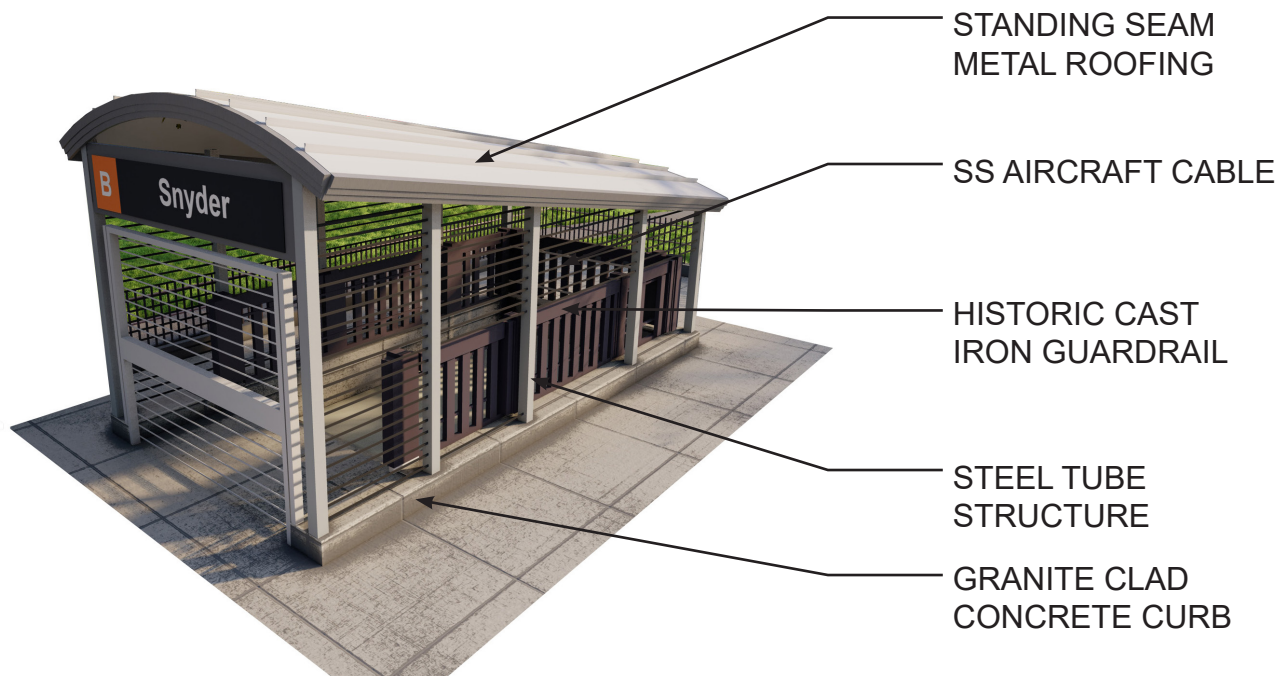
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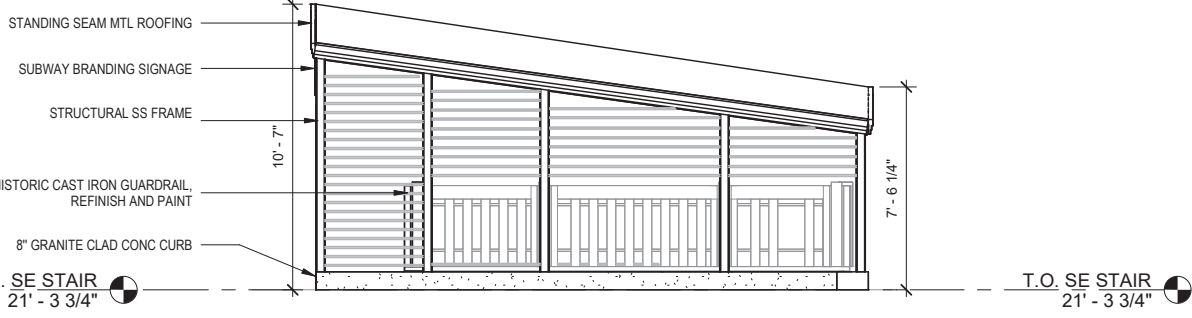
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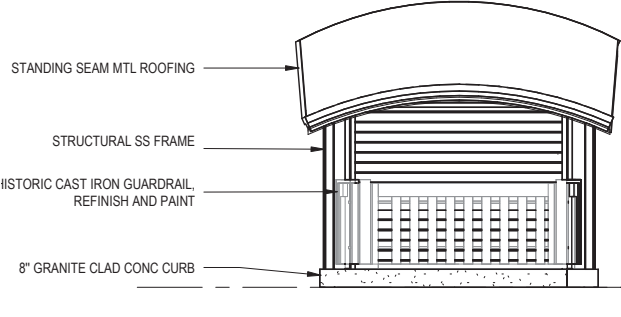
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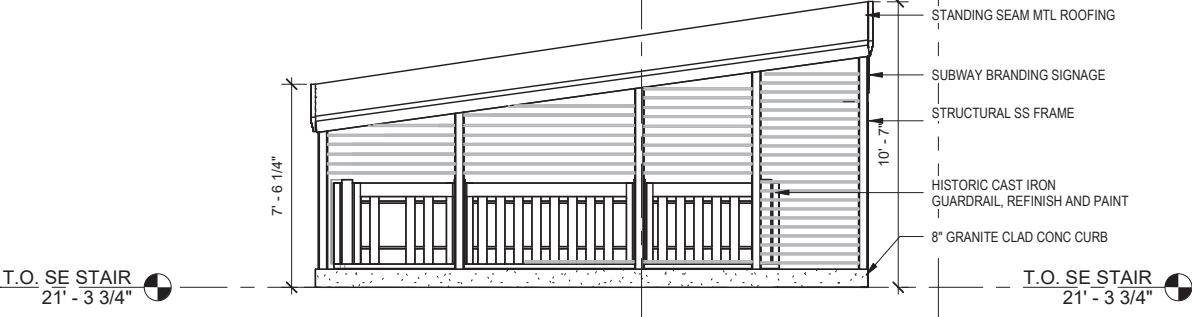
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A402 SCALE: 1/4" = 1'-0"



4 SE STAIR - WEST ELEVATION  
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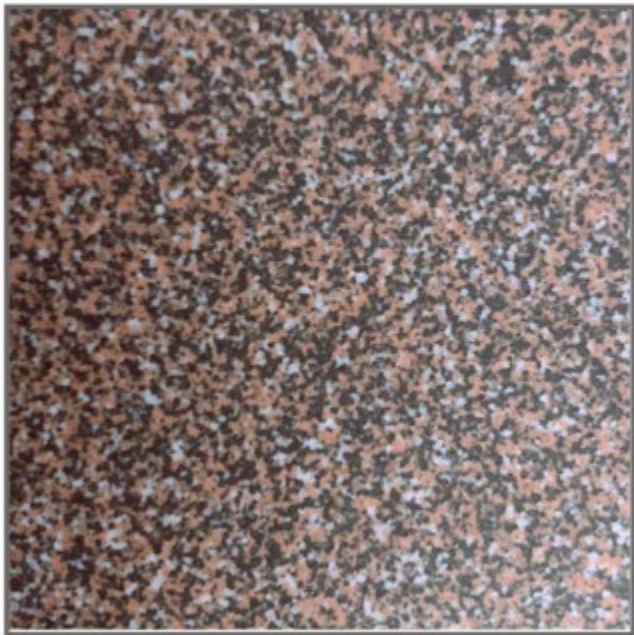
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2 SE STAIR - EAST ELEVATION  
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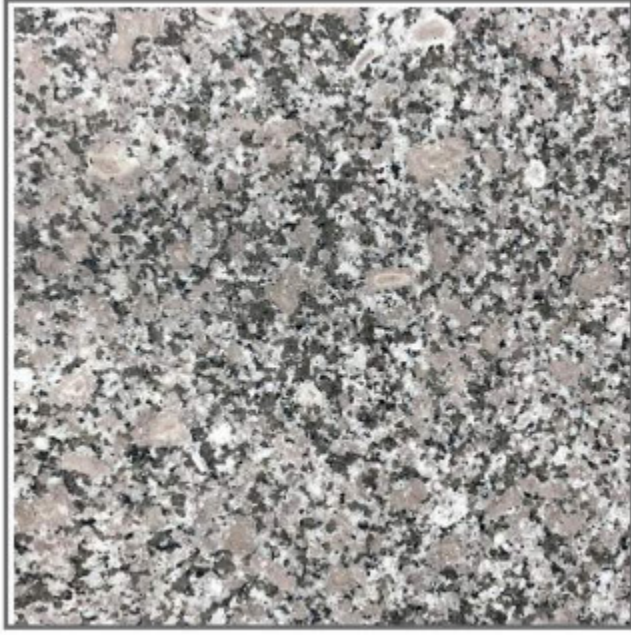
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CROSSVILLE A790



PORCELAIN FLOOR TILE  
MICA (CTS) CROSSVILLE A900



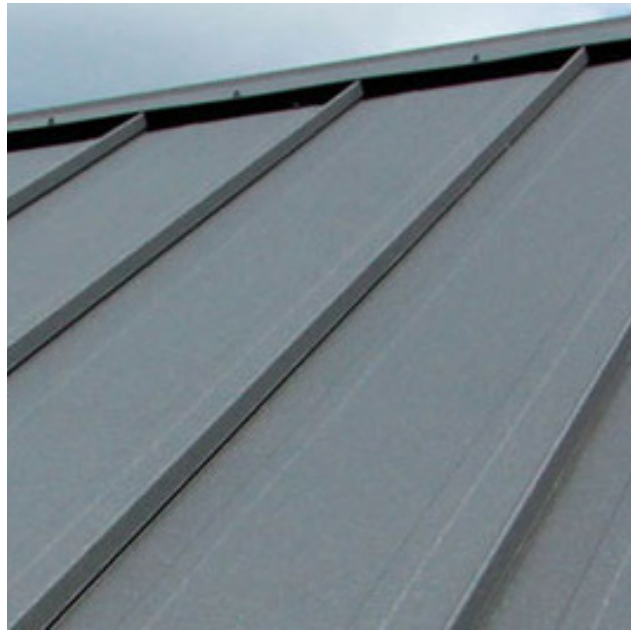
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VICTORY RED DALTILE VL85



GRANITE DEER ISLE POLISHED  
A. LACROIX GRANITE



GLASS BLOCK  
EXTECH GRIDLOCK



STANDING SEAM METAL ROOFING



LAMINATED LOW IRON CLEAR GLASS



STAINLESS STEEL BRUSH FINISH