

ARCHITECTURAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEMORANDUM

DATE: October 19, 2020

SUBJECT: REQUEST BY BEST SIGNS, INC., ON BEHALF OF MARGARITAVILLE

RESORT, FOR SIGN PROGRAM AMENDMENT APPROVAL TO INSTALL A MONUMENT SIGN AT THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF NORTH INDIAN CANYON DRIVE AND EAST VISTA CHINO ROAD ON THE HOTEL PROPERTY LOCATED AT 1600 NORTH INDIAN CANYON DRIVE, ZONE

R-3, SECTION 2 (CASE NO. 20-003 AMND) (NK).

FROM: Development Services Department

SUMMARY:

This is a Sign Program Amendment request for the Margaritaville Palm Springs hotel, the former Riviera Hotel, for the installation of one (1) monument sign on the property at the northeast corner of North Indian Canyon Drive and East Vista Chino. The current Sign Program was adopted in 2008 for the Riviera Hotel.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Architectural Advisory Committee (AAC) recommend approval of the proposed Sign Program Amendment subject to the following condition:

1. Approval of this Sign Program Amendment application is for the proposed monument sign only. Other after-the-fact signs shall be reviewed under a separate Sign Permit or Sign Program Amendment application.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

Related Relevant City Actions			
07/09/2008	Planning Commission approved a Sign Program for the Riviera Hotel, which proposed the installation of an 86 square-foot monument sign and three (3) directional signs (SP 08-091). The AAC voted unanimously to recommend approval of the project to the Planning Commission on June 9, 2008.		
09/17/2016	Planning Division administratively approved a Minor Architectural Review (MAA) application for the installation of a new sign on a landscaped trellis structure.		

Neighborhood	Meetir	ng/Notification	n							
10/15/2020	The	notification	of	the	public	meeting	was	forwarded	to	the
	neighborhood organizations located within one (1) mile from the site.									

Field Check	
10/09/2020	Staff conducted a site visit to confirm the condition of the site.

DETAILS OF APPLICATION REQUEST:

Site Area	
Net Acres	16.215 Acres

Surrounding Property	Existing Land Use Per Chapter 92	Existing General Plan Designation	Existing Zoning Designation
Subject Property	Margaritaville Resort (Hotel)	Tourist Resort Commercial (TRC)	Multiple-Family Residential and Hotel Zone (R-3)
North	Condominiums	TRC	Limited Multiple- Family Residential Zone (R-2)
South	Hotel	MU/MDR	R-2
East	Condominiums	High Density Residential (HDR)	R-3
West	Convenience Store Restaurants Hotel	TRC	R-3

BACKGROUND:

The project site is the 16.22-acre former Riviera Hotel site located at the northeast corner of North Indian Canyon Drive and East Vista Chino. There is an existing Sign Program for the hotel property, which was adopted in 2008 for the Riviera Hotel. The Sign Program allowed for the following signs:

- 1. One (1) 86-square-foot monument sign.
- 2. Three (3) directional signs, each of which is 2.6 square feet in area.

On September 18, 2020, the Riviera Hotel officially changed its name of business to Margaritaville Resort Palm Springs. Consequently, the 86-square-foot monument sign was removed.



Image 1.1 Project Site Aerial View (Property Boundary)



Image 1.2 Sign Installation Location

ANALYSIS:

Setting:

The proposed monument sign will be installed in the landscaped area located at the north east corner of North Indian Canyon Drive and East Vista Chino where the former Riviera Hotel monument sign existed. The sign will be located out of the protected intersection visibility area defined in Palm Springs Zoning Code Section 93.02.00(D).

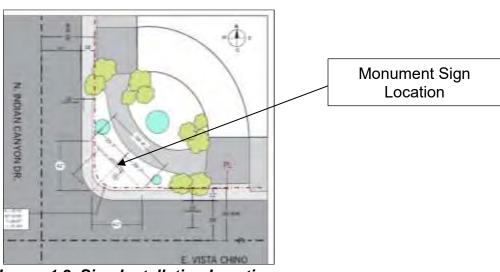


Image 1.3 Sign Installation Location

Sign Plan:

The application proposes the installation of one (1), eight (8)-foot-high monument sign. The total sign area is 105.33 square feet. The proposed monument sign design consists of two (2) main components and their details are further explained below:



Image 1.4 Proposed Monument Sign Design

Sign Base:

The construction of the sign base consists of an aluminum box frame finished with composite wood panels in 'Tiki Torch.' A 19-inch circular cast Acrylic placard, which will be painted to display a graphic image of a compass, will be centrally located on the face of the sign base facing East Vista Chino. The dimensions of the sign base are 12.75 feet (length) by 2.23 feet (height) by 2 feet (depth). The top of the base will be finished with a 2.5-inch-thick cap upon which the upper portion of the sign will be placed. The decorative trim will be painted in Benjamin Moore 'Jamaican Aqua.'

Upper Sign:

The sign background will be smooth stucco, which will be painted in Benjamin Moore 'Deserted Island' to match the color of the exterior building walls. Three (3) layers of sign elements, which consist of illuminated undulated cabinet signs (far back and middle layers) and internally illuminated channel letters (front layer) will be affixed to the stucco background field. The dimensions of the sign background field are 5.7 feet (height) by 12 feet (length) by 18 inches (depth). The signs will be constructed of Acrylic sign faces,

painted black trim caps and returns, and applied vinyl graphics. The two (2) upper layers of the proposed signs (parrot, palms, 'Margaritaville' and 'Resort' signs) will be pinmounted.



Image 1.5 Sign Installation Example

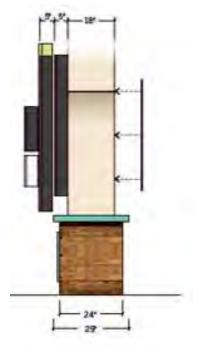


Image 1.6 Sign Section

Sign Colors & Materials:

The proposed sign color palette is consistent with the color palette of the corporate logo as shown below:



Image 1.7 Logo Color Palette



Image 1.8 Proposed Sign Color Palette

Zoning Code Analysis:

The project site is a 406-unit resort hotel, and the proposed sign is subject to the requirements of Palm Springs Zoning Code Section 93.20.07(A)(2). Conformance of the proposed sign to the applicable Sign Ordinance regulations is summarized in the table below:

Table 1.1 Sign Ordinance Regulations (PSZC Section 93.20.07.A.2)				
	Permitted	Proposed	Conformance	
Sign Type	Monument Sign	Monument Sign	Υ	
Quantity of Sign permitted	One (1)	One (1)	Y	
Maximum Allowable Sign Area	300 sq. ft.	105.33 sq. ft.	Y	
Height	12 feet	8 feet	Υ	
Illumination	Illuminated or Non- Illuminated	Illuminated	Y	

Cabinet signs are prohibited in the City pursuant to Palm Springs Zoning Code Section 93.20.04(B)(12). While the proposed monument sign design includes a cabinet

component, prohibited cabinet signs are typically referred to as box cabinet signs with an Acrylic inset face. The outline of the proposed cabinets will be undulated to show graphic details. Pursuant to Palm Springs Zoning Code Section 93.20.08(H)(3), a Sign Program that is fully conforming to the requirements of the Sign Ordinance regulations may be approved by the Development Services Director following a review and recommendation by the Architectural Advisory Committee (AAC). As shown in the table above, the proposed sign fully conforms to the Sign Ordinance requirements for a resort hotel.

Architectural Review Criteria:

PSZC Section 94.04.00(D) requires an evaluation of the proposed development to determine if it will provide a desirable environment for its occupants, be compatible with the character of adjacent and surrounding developments, and whether it is of good composition, materials, textures and colors. Conformance shall be evaluated based on the following criteria:

	Guidelines [PSZC 94.04.00(D)]	Compliance
1.	Harmonious relationship with existing and proposed adjoining developments and in the context of the immediate neighborhood/community, avoiding both excessive variety and monotonous repetition, but allowing similarity of style, if warranted; The proposed monument sign will be located at a prominent street intersection. The proposed sign incorporates a corporate logo which consists of multiple bright colors. The details and colors of the proposed sign complements a tall, expansive ficus hedge in the background. The proposed sign details, colors, height, and scale are appropriate for the building and busy street intersection.	\
2.	Building design, materials and colors to be sympathetic with desert surroundings; The proposed sign will be constructed of stucco, aluminum frame, and Acrylic for sign letters and logos. These are materials that are commonly utilized in sign fabrication. While the finish of the sign base is wood, the area to which the wood finish will be applied is limited. The composite wood is engineered to withstand the desert environment. The sign color palette is consistent with the company's corporate logo, and the proposed paint color for the sign background is sympathetic with desert surroundings.	Y
3.	Harmony of materials, colors and composition of those elements of a structure, including overhangs, roofs, and substructures which are visible simultaneously; The project proposes to paint the stucco background field of the cabinet sign in 'Deserted Island', which matches the material and color of the exterior building walls.	Y

	Guidelines [PSZC 94.04.00(D)]	Compliance
4.	Signs and graphics, as understood in architectural design including materials and colors.	Y
	The proposed composite wood panel finish on the sign base adds texture and detail to the sign design. The background field of the upper portion of the sign is kept minimal to create contrast against the colorful, detailed graphics of the signs. The proposed sign color palette is consistent with the corporation's color theme.	

CONCLUSION:

The application proposes an amendment to an existing Sign Program for a new hotel. The proposed sign incorporates the hotel's corporate logo and theme colors. The sign design consists of multiple bright colors and details, and these attributes will stand out against the existing tall, expansive ficus hedge in the background. The proposed sign will be located at the northeast corner of North Indian Canyon Drive and East Vista Chino, and the height and scale of the monument sign are contextually appropriate for the project area. Additionally, the proposed monument sign fully conforms to the applicable sign ordinance regulations. Considering these findings, staff recommends that the AAC recommends approval of the proposed project as conditioned in this report.

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David Newell, AICP Assistant Director of Planning

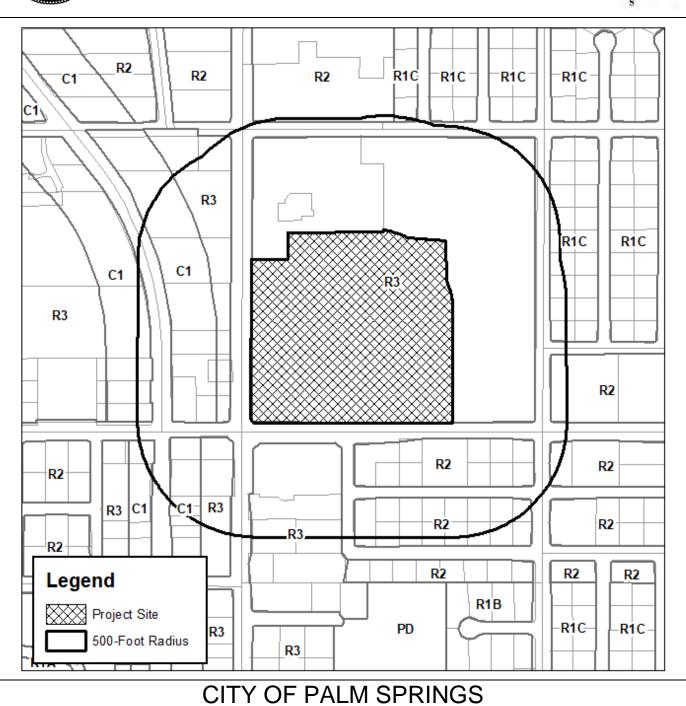
ATTACHMENTS:

- 1. Vicinity Map
- 2. Site Photograph
- 3. Sign Plans
- 4. SP 08-091 Riviera Hotel Sign Program



Department of Planning Services Vicinity Map





1600 North Indian Canyon Drive Margaritaville Resort Case SP 20-003 AMEND















EXISTING SIGN TYPE PROPOSED RETO-FITTED SIMULATED NIGHT VIEW SCALE: 3/16"=1'-0"



SINGLE-SIDED PRIMARY ID MONUMENT SIGN DETAILS

- ALL ALUMINUM FABRICATED MONUMENT UPPER CABINET AND BASE. SIGN PAINTED SMOOTH STUCCO FINISH TO MATCH BUILDING.
- **B** 1" THICK X 5½" TREX, SQUARE EDGE-TIKI TORCH COMPOSITE WOOD PANELS.
- 6 19" DIA. 13/4" THICK CAST ACRYLIC COMPASS ROSE PLACARD. PAINTED SMOOTH SATIN FINISH TO MATCH LOGO COLORS.
- ALL ALUMINUM FABRICATED STANDARD FACE LIT CHANNEL LETTERS, INTERNALLY ILLUMINATED WITH BRIGHT WHITE LED MODULES. LETTERS MOUNTED FLUSH TO MONUMENT CABINET ANCHOR SCREWS.

3/16" WHITE ACRYLIC LETTER FACE WITH BLACK TRIM CAP AND RETURN PAINTED SMOOTH SATIN BLACK FINISH.

DIGITALLY PRINTED TRANSLUCENT VINYL AND STOCK TRANSLUCENT VINYL APPLIED TO CHANNEL LETTER FACE. COLORS TO MATCH LOGO COLORS.



BENJAMIN MOORE 2056-30, SURF BLUE (RAILINGS/DOORS) BENJAMIN MOORE 2048-60, JAMAICAN AQUA(ACCENT)

Tiki Torch



BENJAMIN MOORE OC-99,

SIGN COLOR PALETTE: (LESS LOGO & COMPASS ROSE) MATCH BM OC-99 PMS 333C PMS 577CV

PMS 320CV PMS 321CV PMS 541C







SIDE VIEW

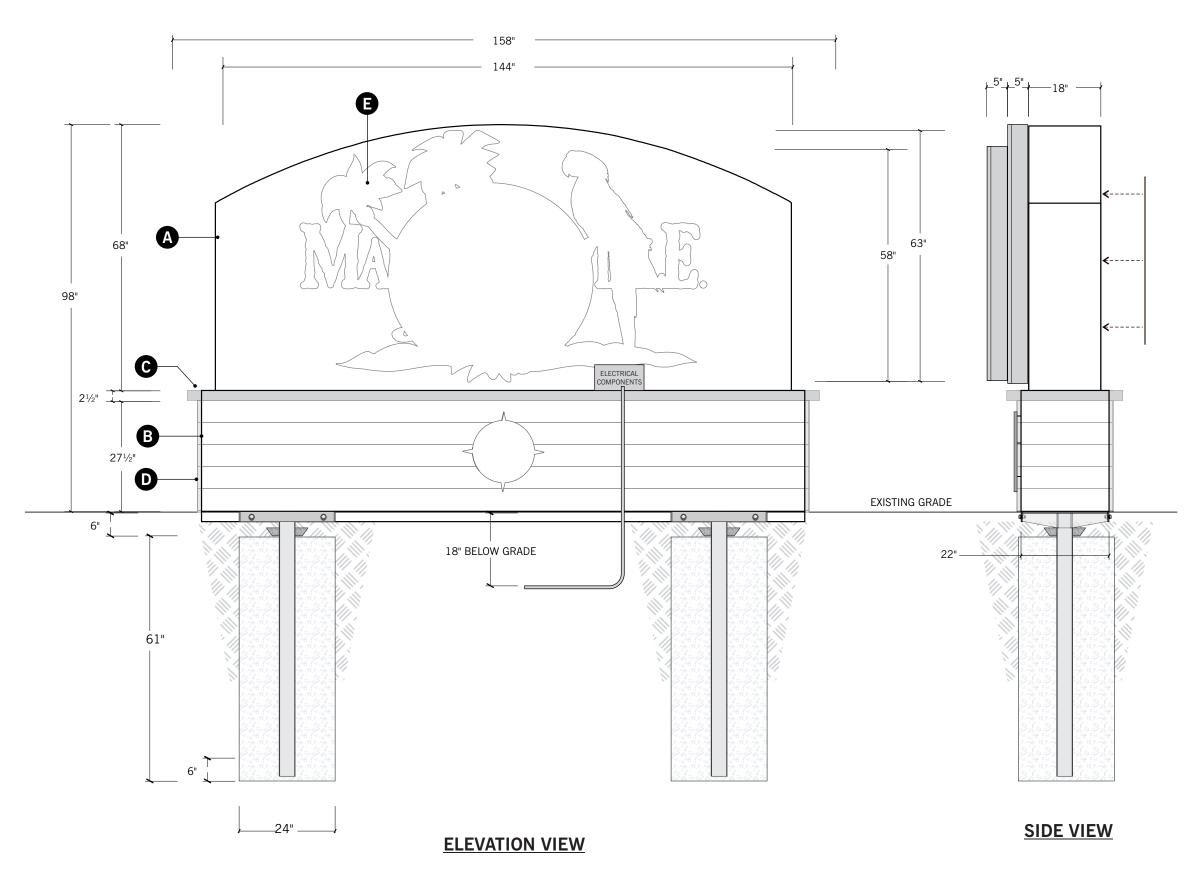
SIGN TYPE: 9

Locator Map Number: 16



MARGARITAVILLE RESORT LOGO COLOR SPECS





MARGARITAVILLE RESORT

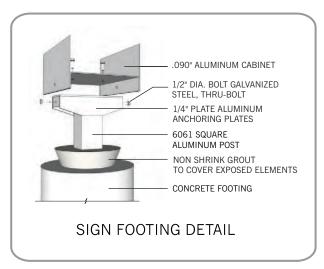
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LEGEND

1/2"=1'-0"

ILLUMINATED MONUMENT - FABRICATION AND FOOTING DETAILS

- (A) MONUMENT UPPER SIGN CABINET: FABRICATED FROM .090" ALUMINUM AND ALUMINUM ANGLE.
- B MONUMENT BASE: FABRICATED FROM .090" ALUMINUM AND ALUMINUM ANGLE.
- (C) 1" THICK X 5½" TREX, SQUARE EDGE-TIKI TORCH COMPOSITE WOOD PANELS.
- D DECORATIVE TRIM- .090" ALUMINUM.
- E TYPICAL FACE LIT CHANNEL LETTER AND LOGO, INTERNALLY ILLUMINATED WITH WHITE LED MODULES.
- (F) MONUMENT ANCHORING PLATES 22"X24", FABRICATED FROM 1/4" THICK PLATE ALUMINUM WITH 4 ATTACHMENT POINTS. PLATES WELDED TO 3" X3" SQUARE POST. (3) LAYERS BITUMINOUS PAINT.
- (G) 1/2" DIA BOLT GALVANIZED STEEL, THRU-BOLT AS PER YJ ENGINEERING SPECS.
- MONUMENT SUPPORT POST: 4"X4" SQ. POST 1/4" THICK WALL BY YJ ENGINEERING.
 WELDED TO 1/4" THICK PLATE ALUMINUM CABINET MOUNTING PLATES.
- ONCRETE FOOTING- (2) 24" DIA. X 61" DEEP BY YJ ENGINEERING.

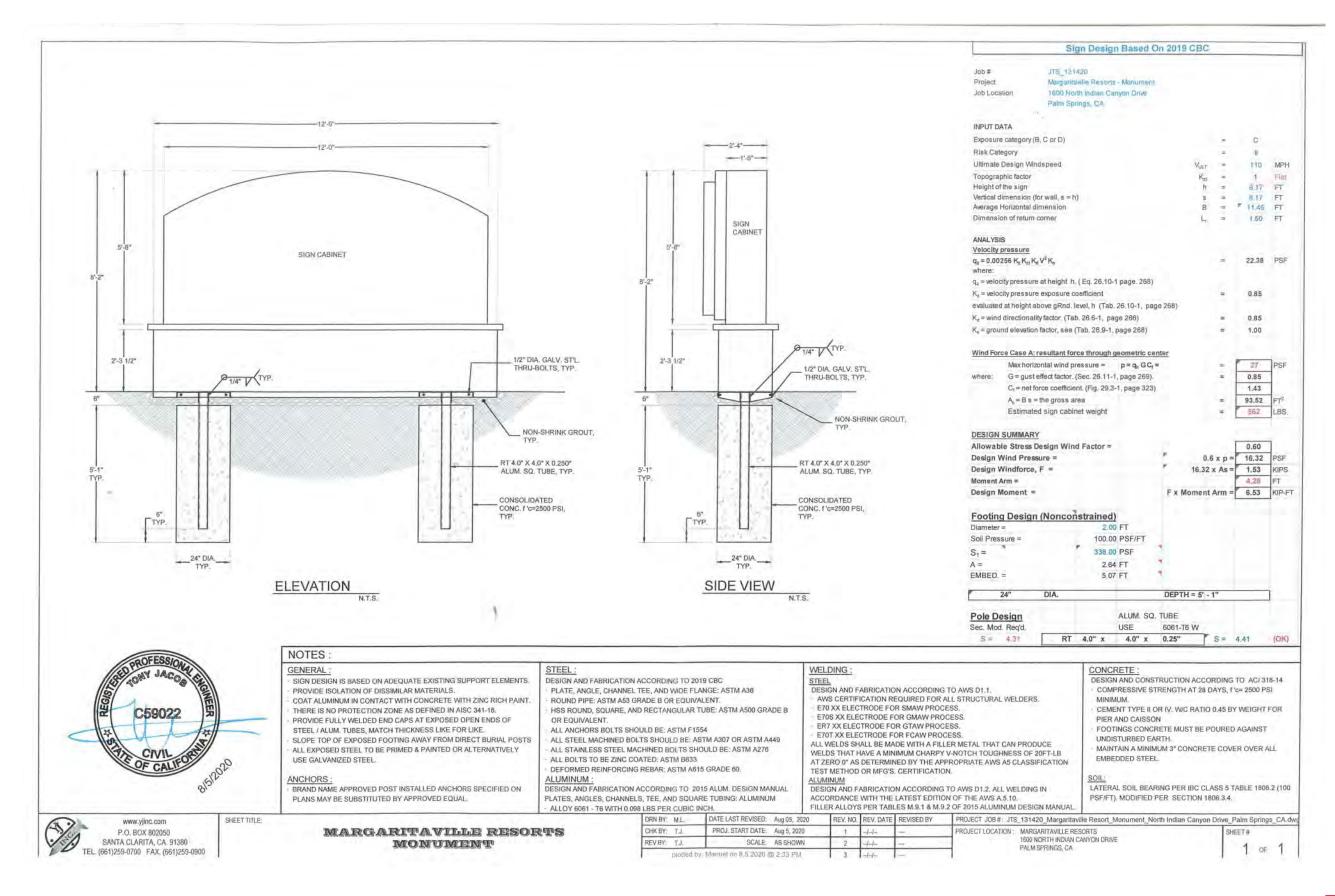


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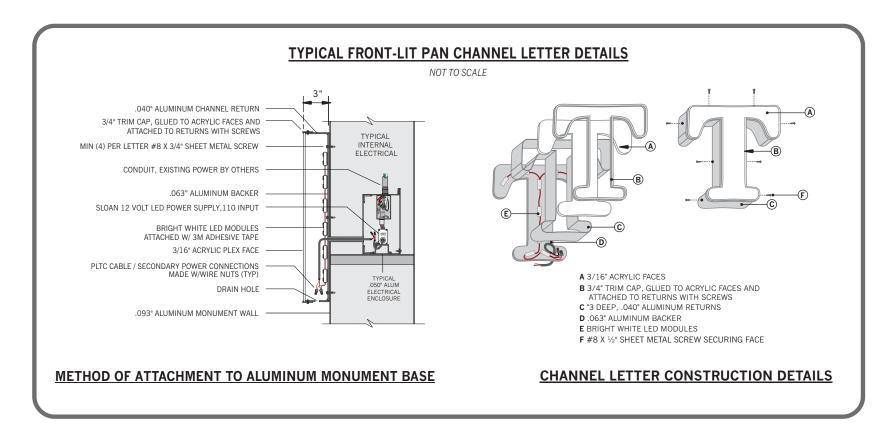
WE PREFER "SONOTUBE" FORMED ROUND FOOTING.
SHALLOWEST FOOTING ENGINEERING CALCULATIONS
WILL ALLOW 24" - 36" DIAMETER FOOTING. SHALLOW
AND WIDE FOOTING IS BEST FOR ON-SITE DIGGING.

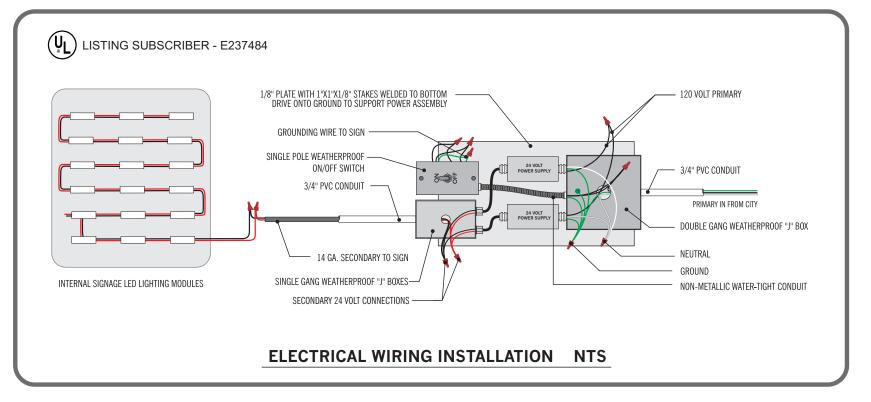
PLEASE CALL **BEST SIGNS: 760-321-3042** WITH ANY QUESTIONS



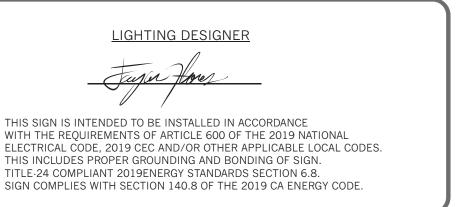




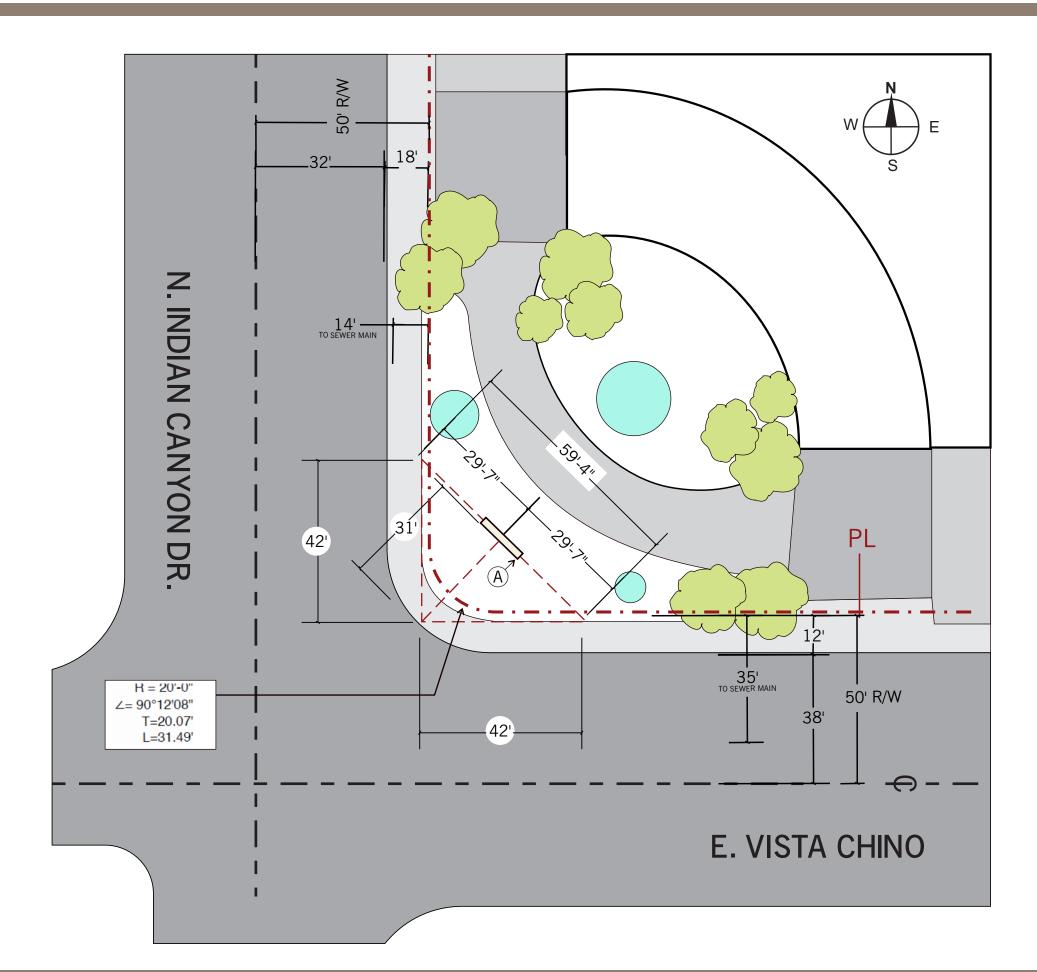




SITE PLAN / NO SCALE MARGARITAVILLE RESORT 1600 N. INDIAN CANYON DR. INDIAN CANYON DR PALM SPRINGS, CA 92262 ż E. VISTA CHINO MONUMENT TO REPLACE EXISTING MONUMENT SINGLE-SIDED PRIMARY ID MONUMENT SIGN WITH FACE LIT CHANNEL LETTERS AND LOGO 44.18 SQ.FT. OF TOTAL SIGNAGE AREA





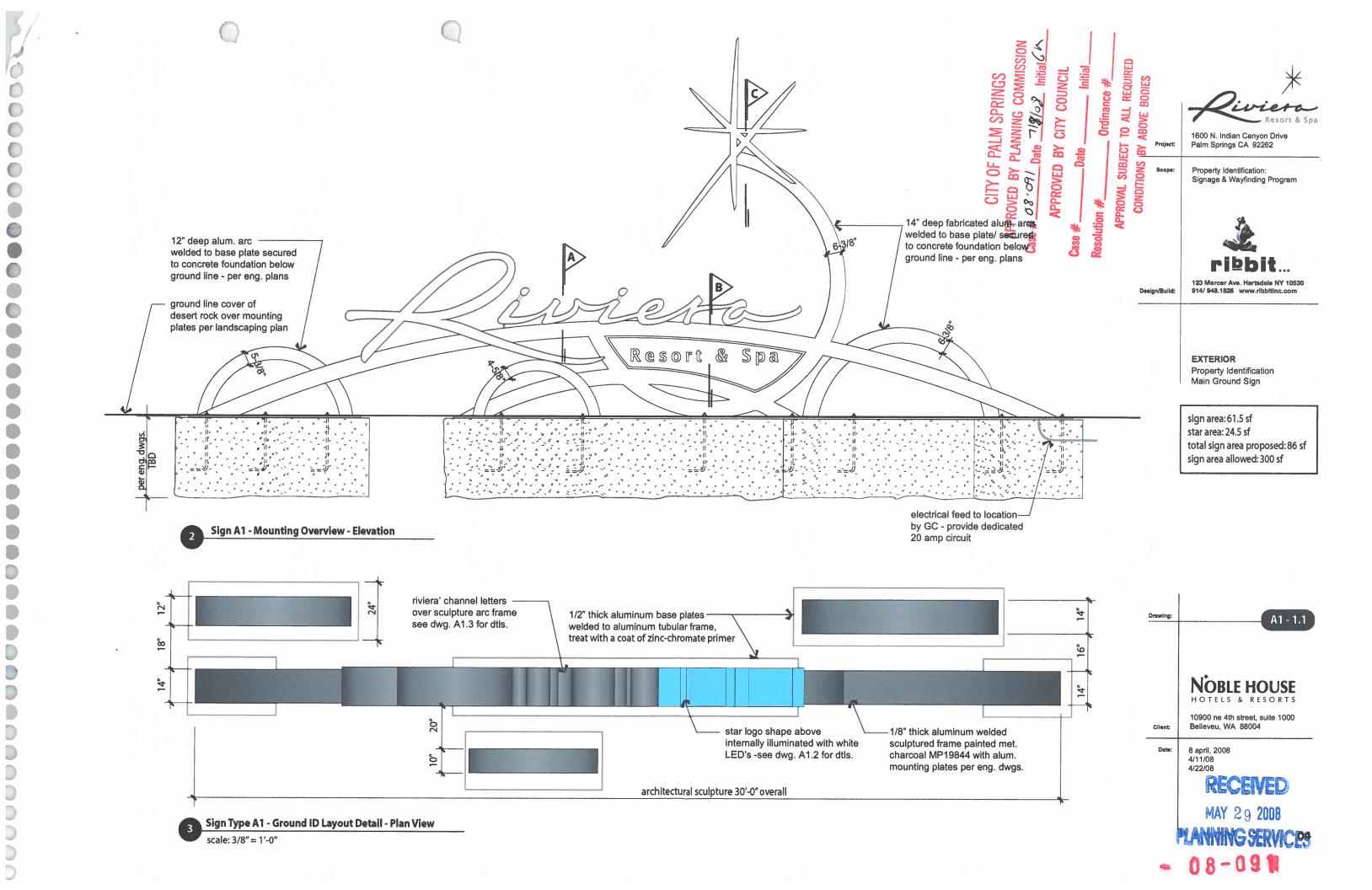


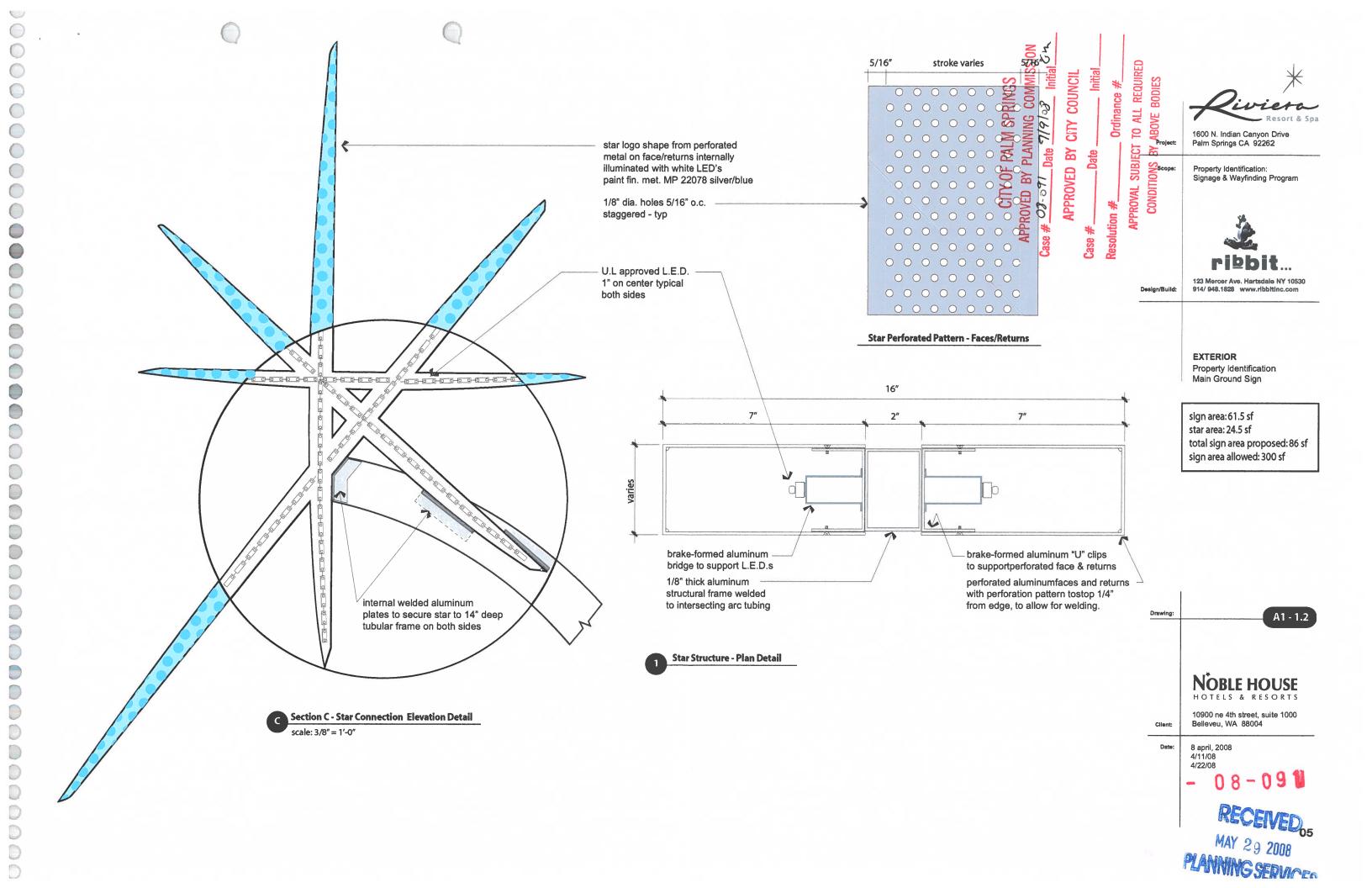
CORNER CUTBACK SITE PLAN

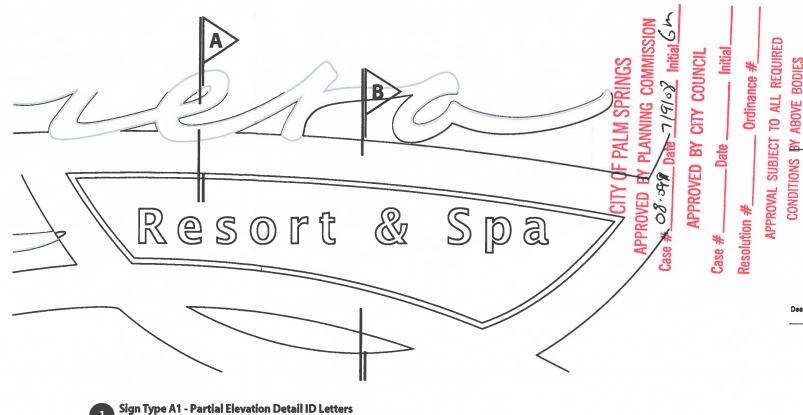
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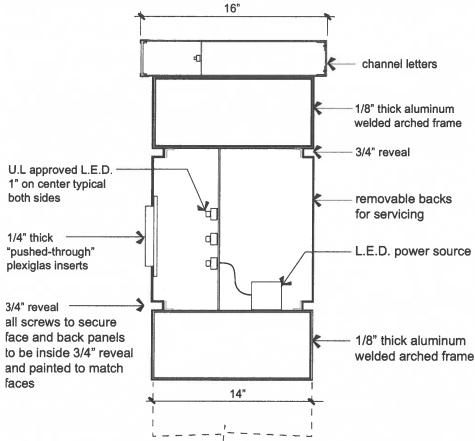
(A) 24" X 158" SIGN BASE FOOT PRINT



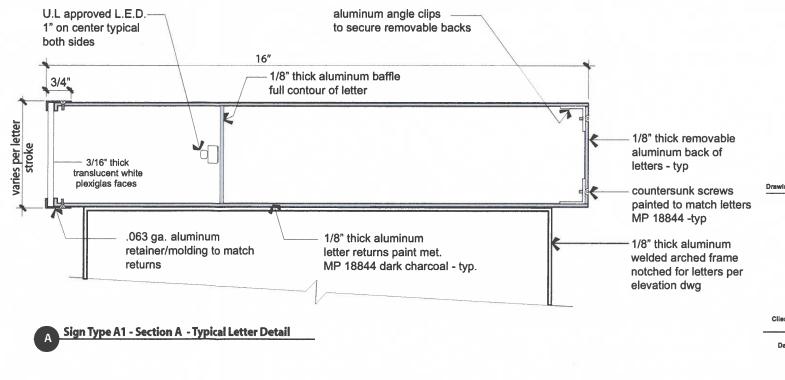








Sign Type A1 - Section B Structure Detail



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NOBLE HOUSE
HOTELS & RESORTS
10900 ne 4th street, suite 1000
Belleveu, WA 88004

Date: 8 april, 2008
4/11/08
4/22/08

1600 N. Indian Canyon Drive Palm Springs CA 92262

Signage & Wayfinding Program

123 Mercer Ave. Hartsdale NY 10530 914/ 948.1828 www.rlbbitinc.com

EXTERIORProperty Identification

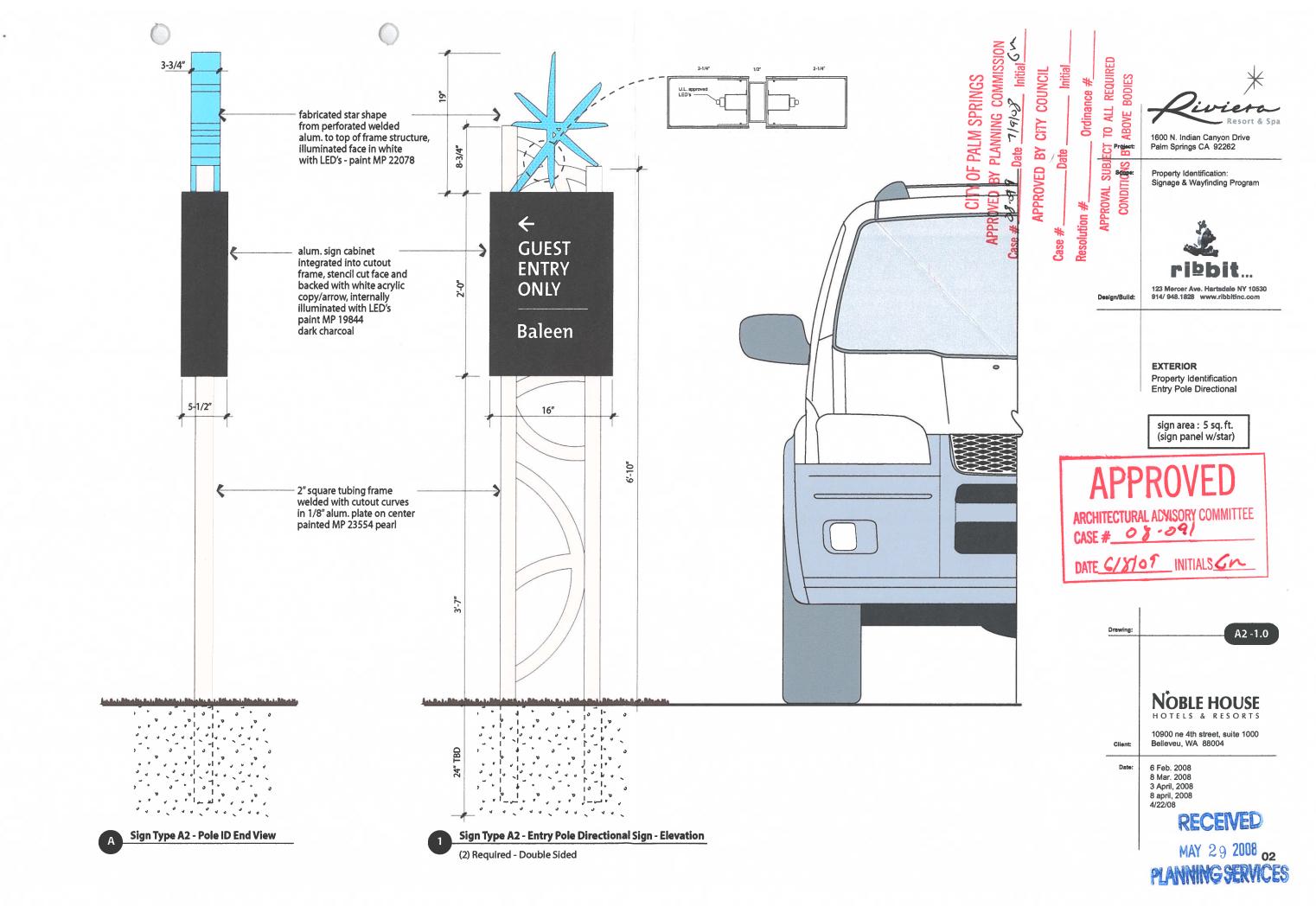
Main Ground Sign

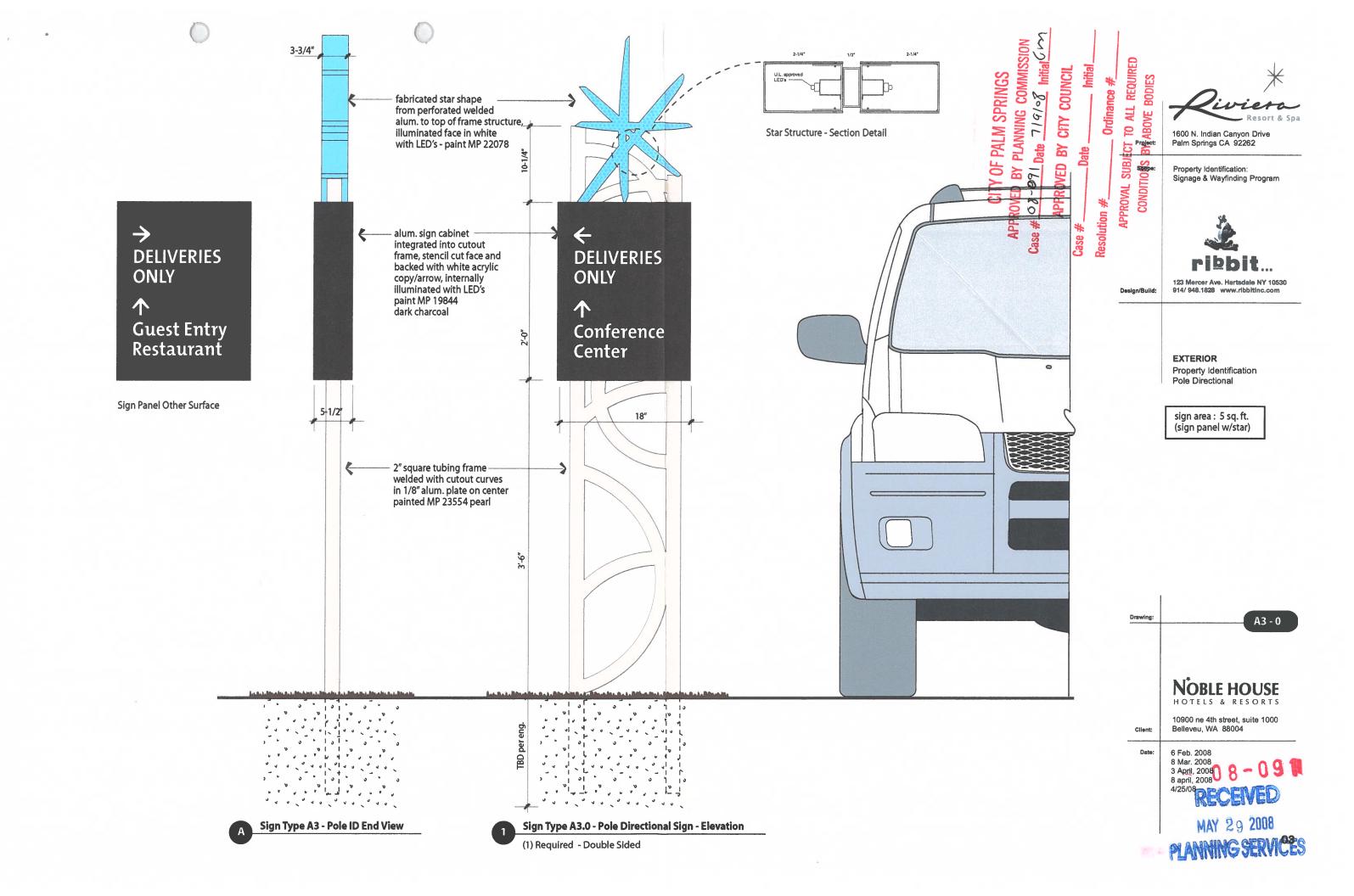
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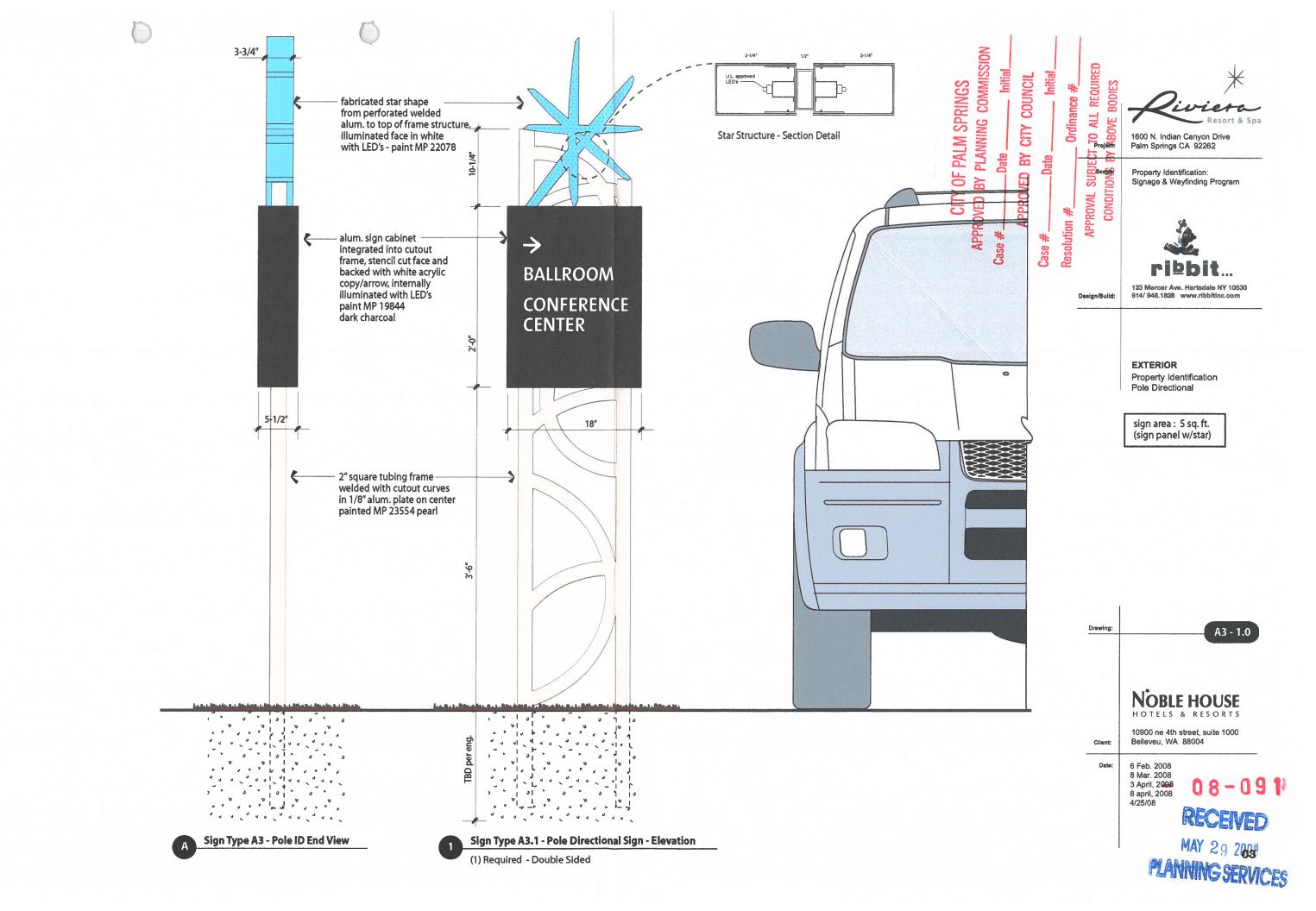
star area: 24.5 sf

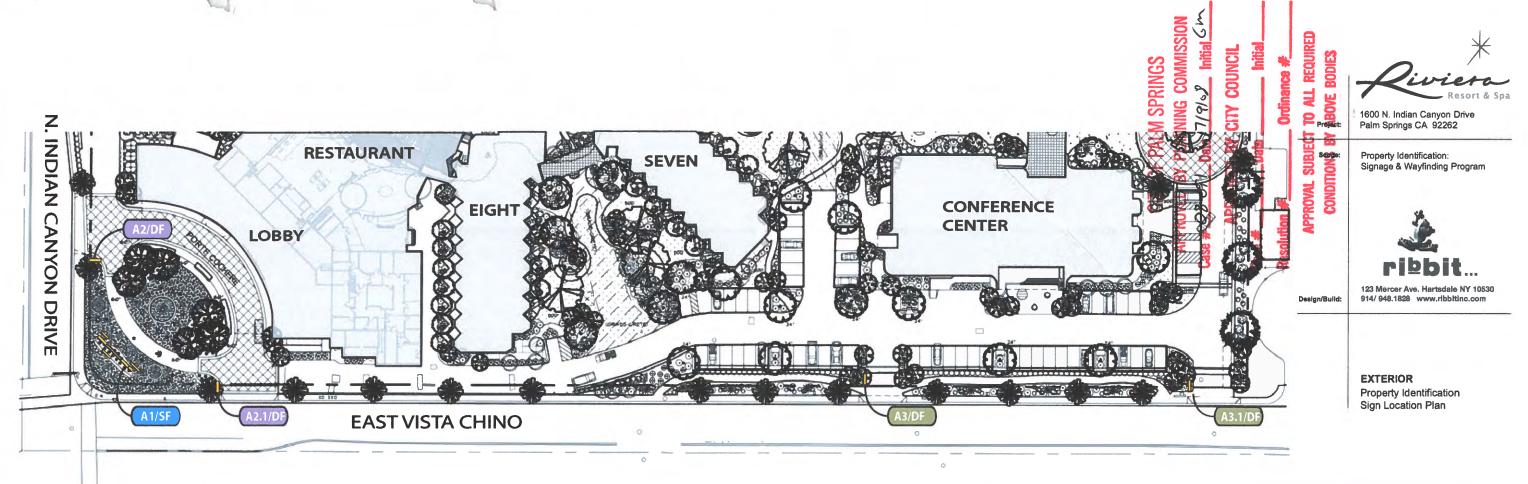
total sign area proposed: 86 sf sign area allowed: 300 sf

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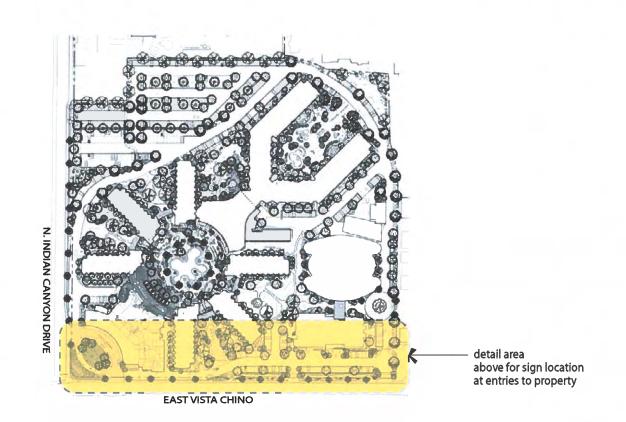




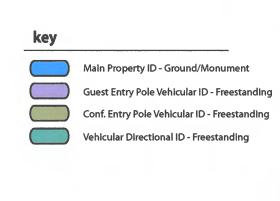


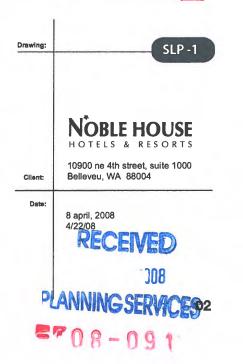


Sign Location Plan - Exterior Sign at Corner and Entries to Property











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Sign Type A1 - Main Ground Sign- Elevation

(1) Require

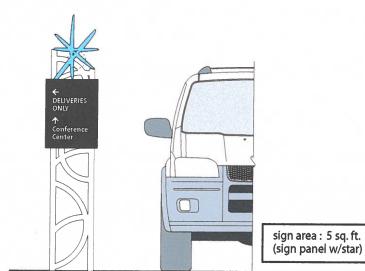
> located at Corner of Vista Chino & Indian Canyon Dr.

sign area: 61.5 sf star area: 24.5 sf total sign area proposed: 86 sf sign area allowed: 300 sf APPROVE

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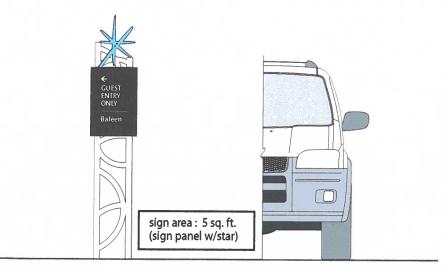
sign area : 5 sq. ft. (sign panel w/star)

Sign Type A3.1 - Entry Sign ID at Vista Chino
(1) Required

> located at Vista Chino Entry



> located at Vista Chino Entry



Sign Type A2 - Main Entry Sign at Vista Chino & Indian Canyon
(2) Required

> located at Main Guest Entry, Vista Chino & Indian Canyon Entry

Drawing:	S - types
Client:	NOBLE HOUSE HOTELS & RESORTS 10900 ne 4th street, suite 1000 Belleveu, WA 88004
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