City Council President Linda M. Morad and
Honorable Members of the City Council
133 William Street
New Bedford, MA 02740

RE: Kings Highway Improvements Project

Dear Council President Morad and Members of the City Council:

At the request of the Department of Public Infrastructure, I respectfully request that the City Council acquire by eminent domain or other legal means, temporary and permanent easements across privately owned property, which are needed for the Kings Highway Improvement Project.

The Kings Highway Improvements Project is a MassDOT project scheduled for advertising in August of 2019 using State and Federal funding. The project limits are from the Route 140 overpass to Oliver Street. The project includes roadway widening necessary to accommodate turn lanes and improve traffic flow through the highly congested corridor. The project also includes new traffic signals, drainage system improvements, new sidewalks and other amenities within the project limits. In addition, the project requires the close coordination with the South Coast Rail project which includes a grade crossing and station within the project limits. The widening impacts 19 abutters resulting in permanent easements and State Highway Layout alterations. Other easements along the corridor include permanent utility easements for overhead utility relocations, highway sign easements and temporary easements for construction purposes. The current estimated construction cost for the project is approximately $10 million.

The easements are shown on a plan entitled, "EASEMENT PLAN OF LAND KINGS HIGHWAY AND TARKILN HILL ROAD NEW BEDFORD, MA(BRISTOL COUNTY) PREPARED FOR THE CITY OF NEW BEDFORD SCALE: 1"=30' DATE: April 24, 2019".

Enclosed for your consideration is an Order for the City Solicitor to obtain appraisals and prepare the necessary Order of Taking. A representative of the Department of Public

April 17, 2019

Mayor Jonathan F. Mitchell
City of New Bedford
133 William Street
New Bedford, Massachusetts 02746

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Dear Mayor Mitchell:

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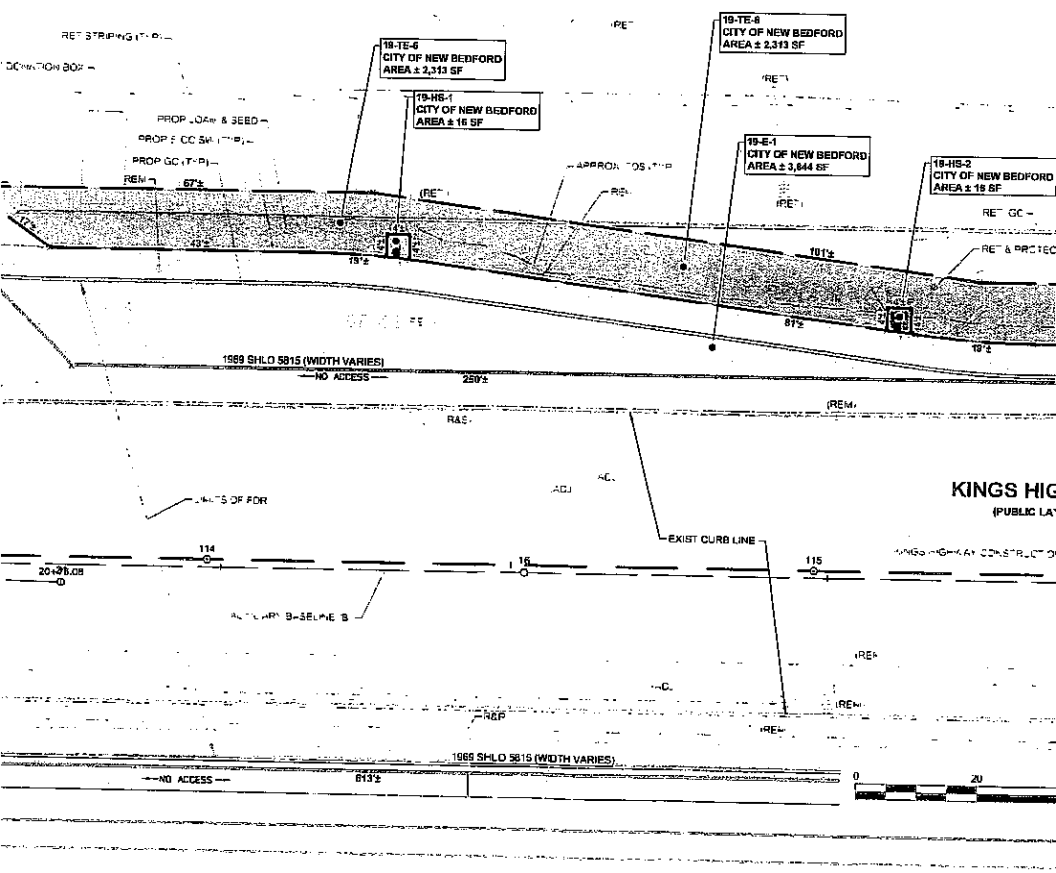
Jamie Ponte
Commissioner

Cc: Manny Silva
Shawn Syde
Jane Medeiros Friedman

Attachments: "EASEMENT PLAN OF LAND KINGS HIGHWAY AND TARKILN HILL ROAD NEW BEDFORD, MA(BRISTOL COUNTY) PREPARED FOR THE CITY OF NEW BEDFORD SCALE: 1"=30' DATE: April 24, 2019".

land located on King's Highway from the Route 140 overpass to Oliver Street, as shown on the attached plan entitled, "EASEMENT PLAN OF LAND KINGS HIGHWAY AND TARKILN HILL ROAD NEW BEDFORD, MA(BRISTOL COUNTY) PREPARED FOR THE CITY OF NEW BEDFORD SCALE: 1"=30' DATE: April 24, 2019", for the purpose of acquiring permanent and construction easements, through eminent domain or other legal means. These easements are necessary for the widening of the roadway to accommodate turn lanes and improve traffic flow through the highly congested corridor. The project also includes new traffic signals, drainage system improvements, new sidewalks and other amenities within the project limits. In addition, the project requires the close coordination with the South Coast Rail project which includes a grade crossing and station within the project limits. The widening impacts 19 abutters resulting in permanent easements and State Highway Layout alterations. Other easements along the corridor include permanent utility easements for overhead utility relocations, highway sign easements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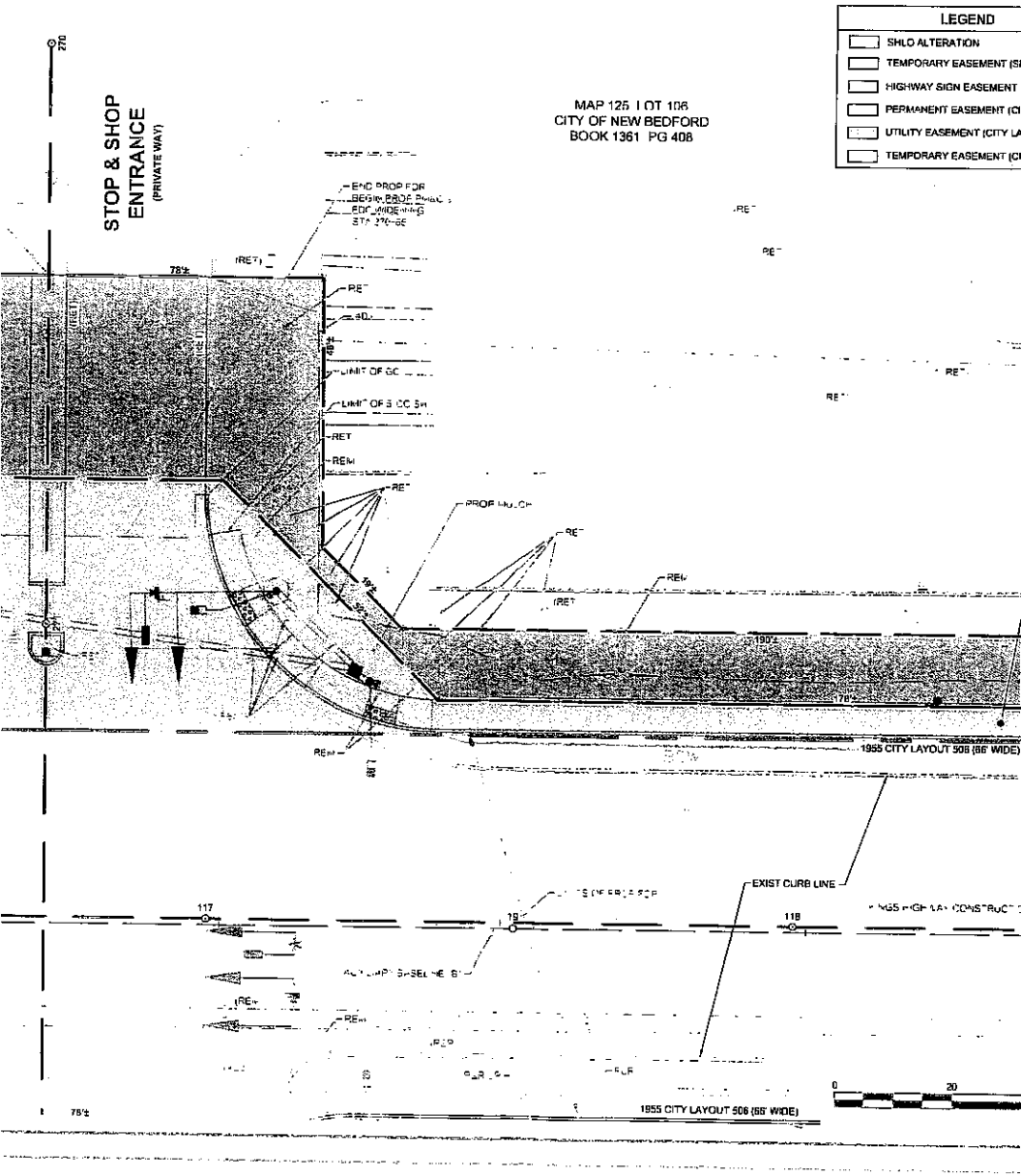
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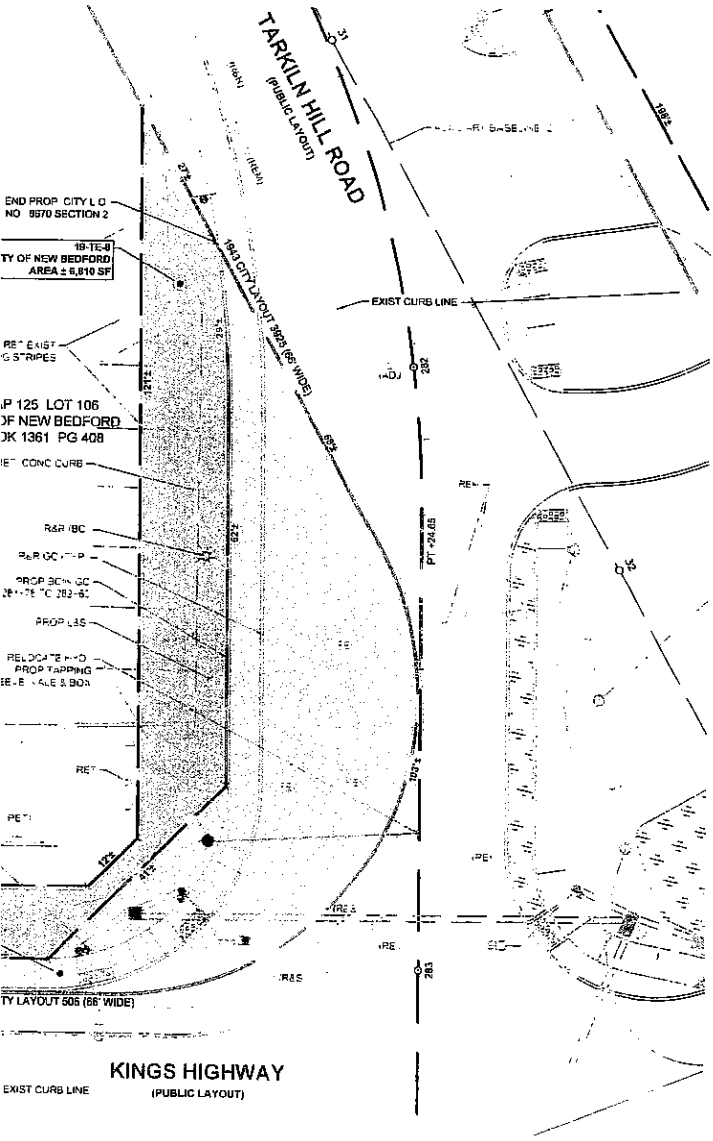
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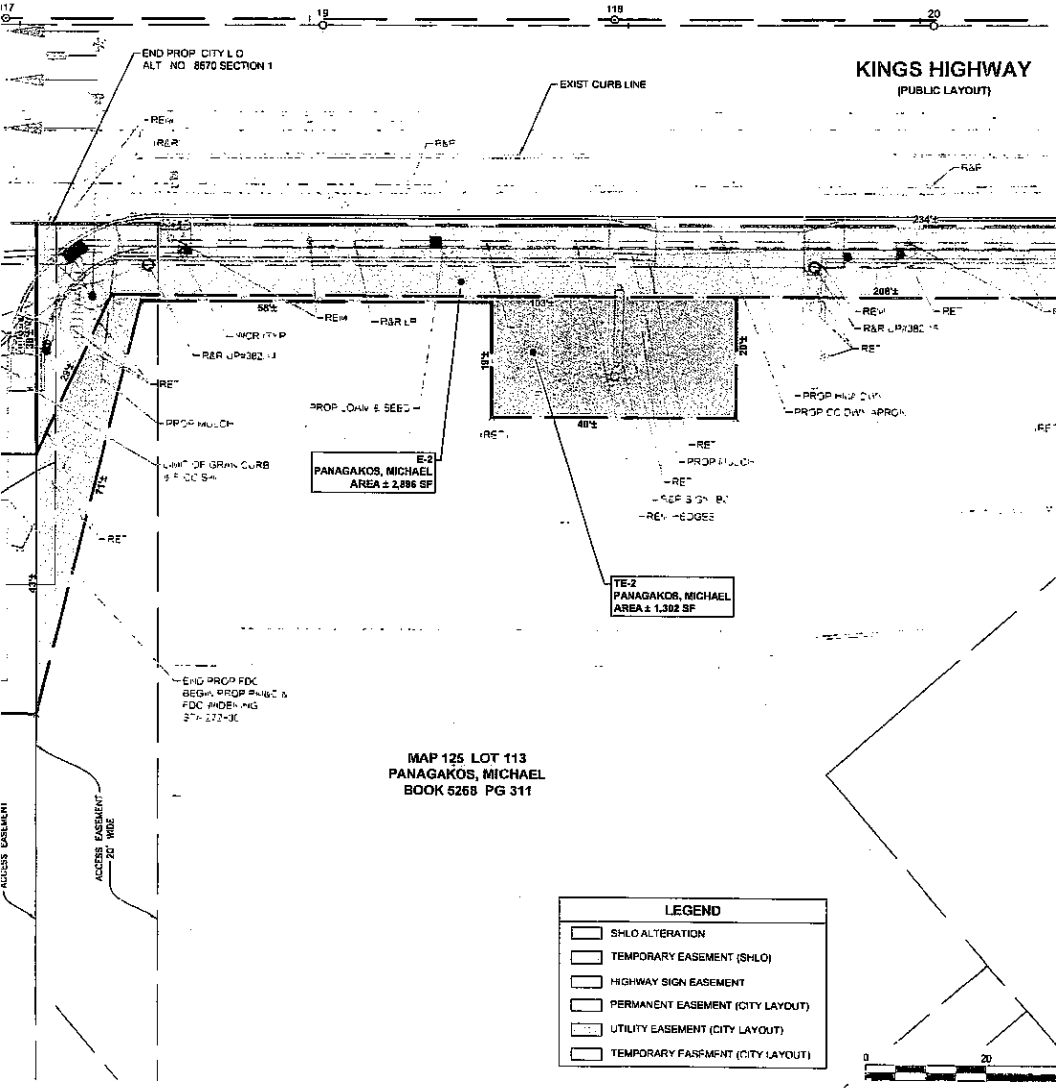
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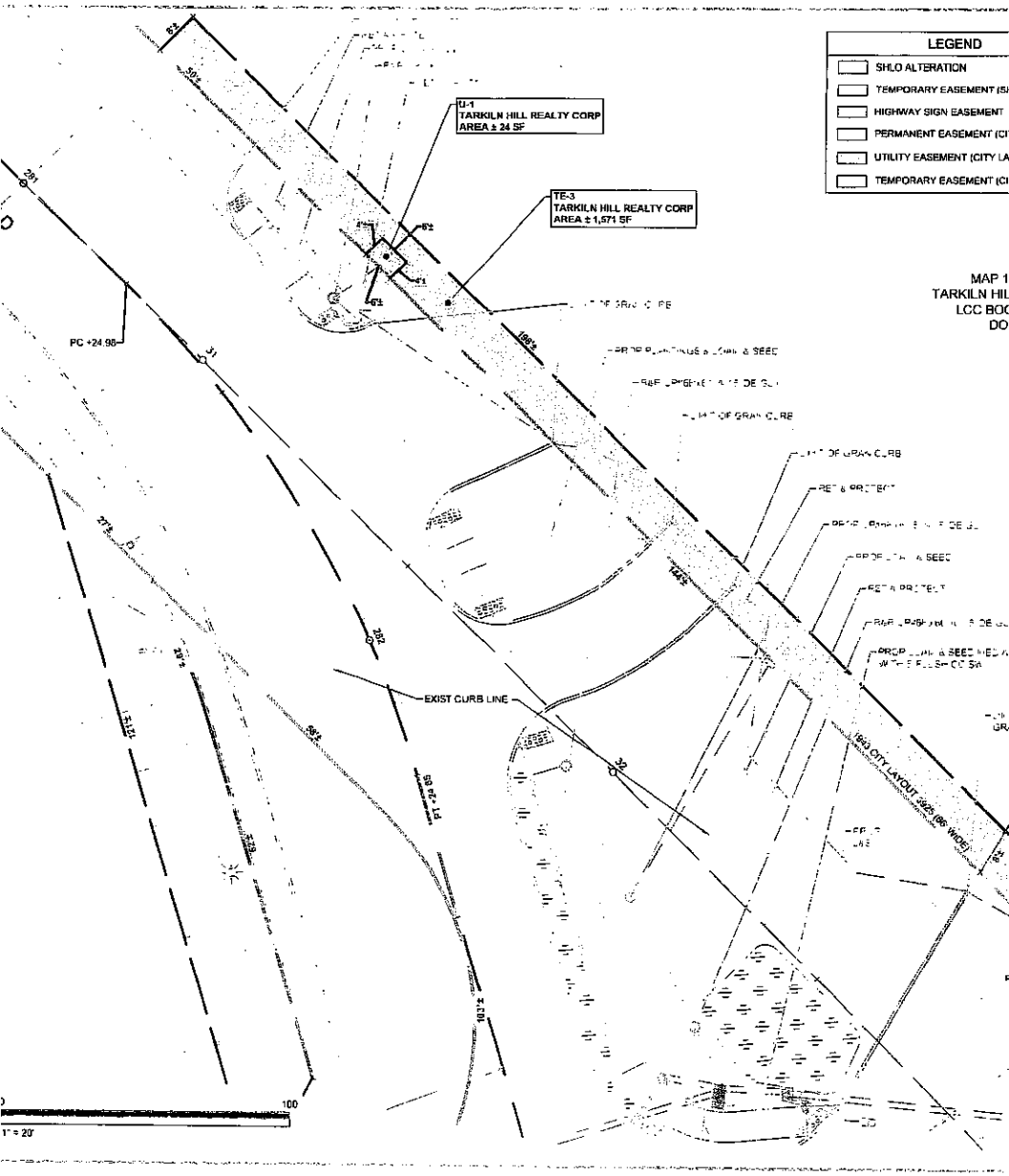
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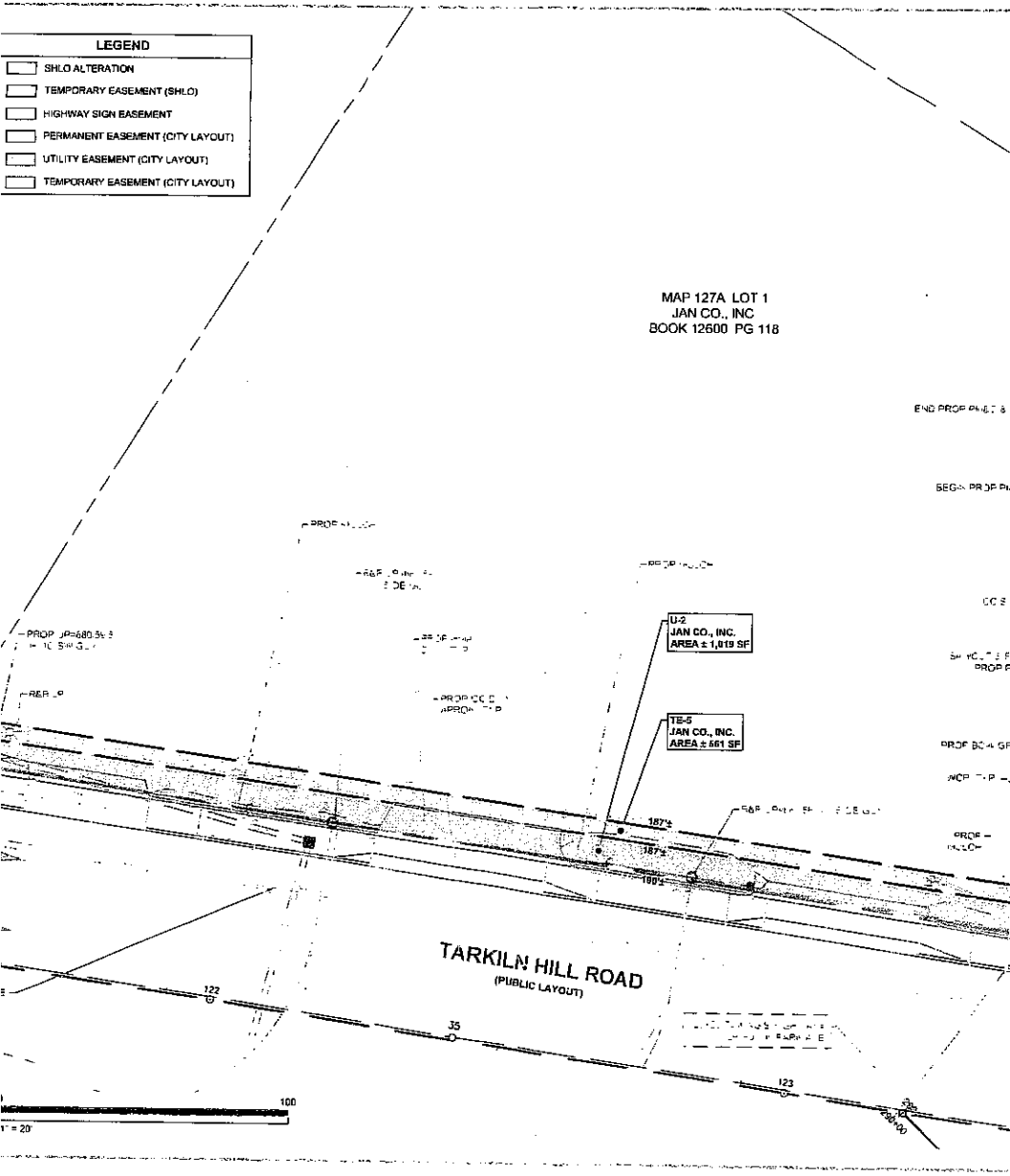
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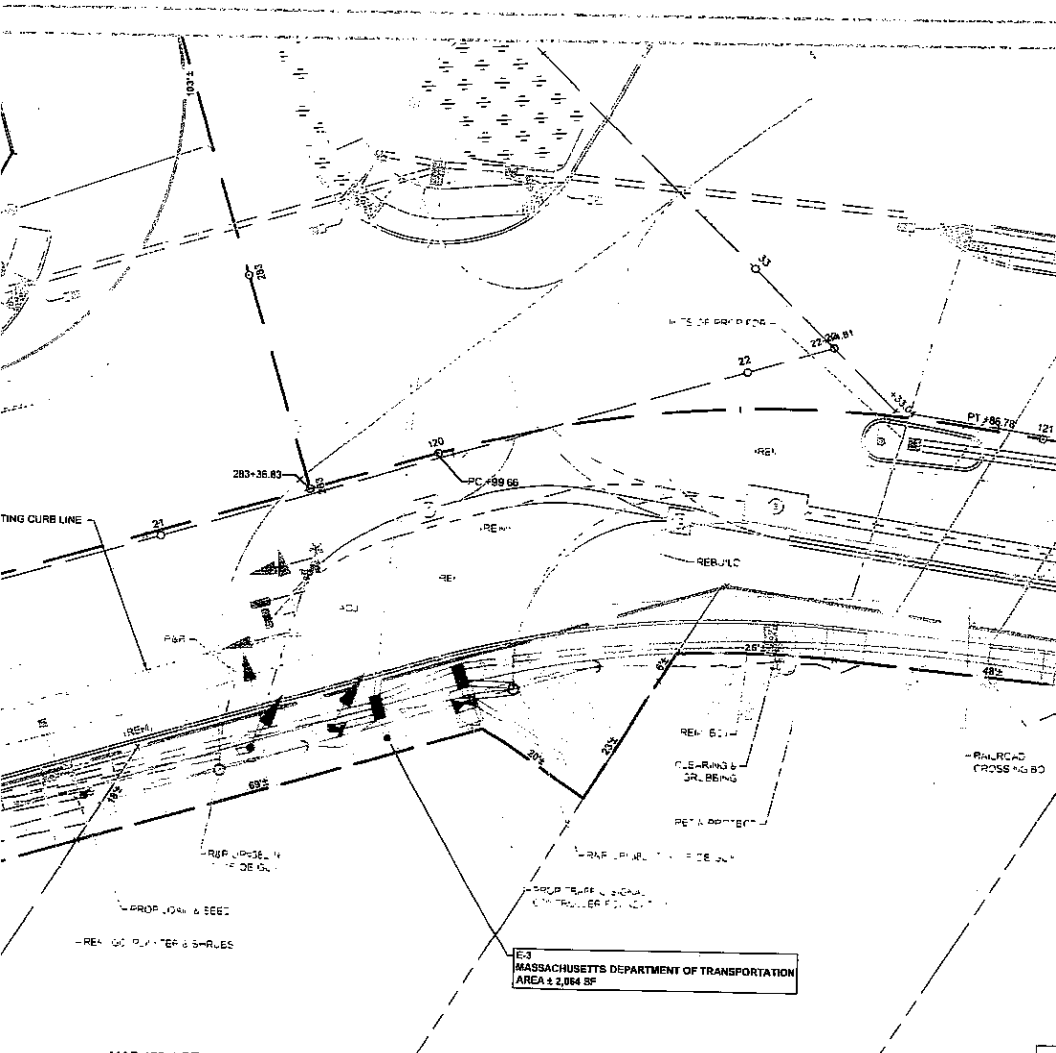
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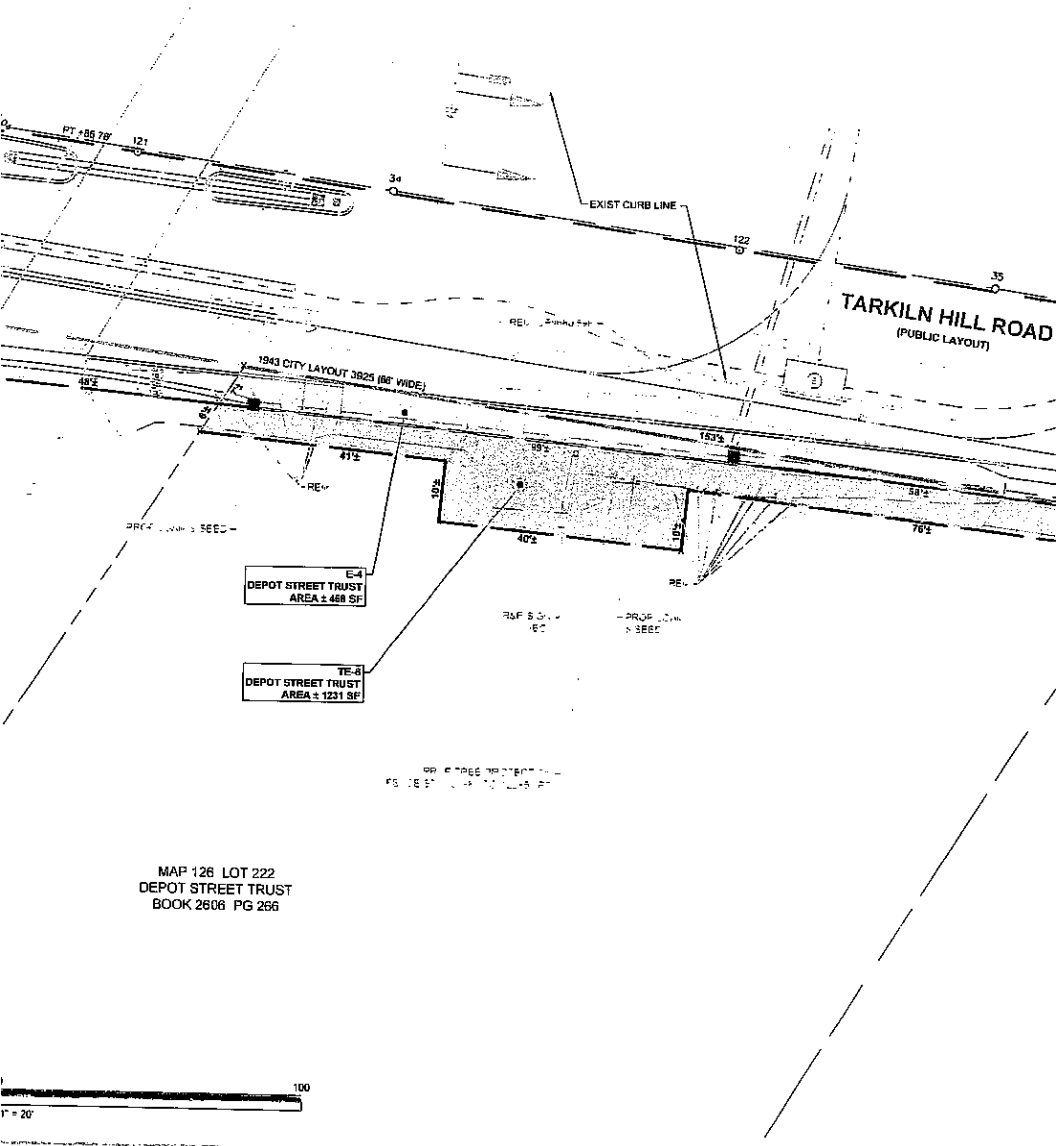
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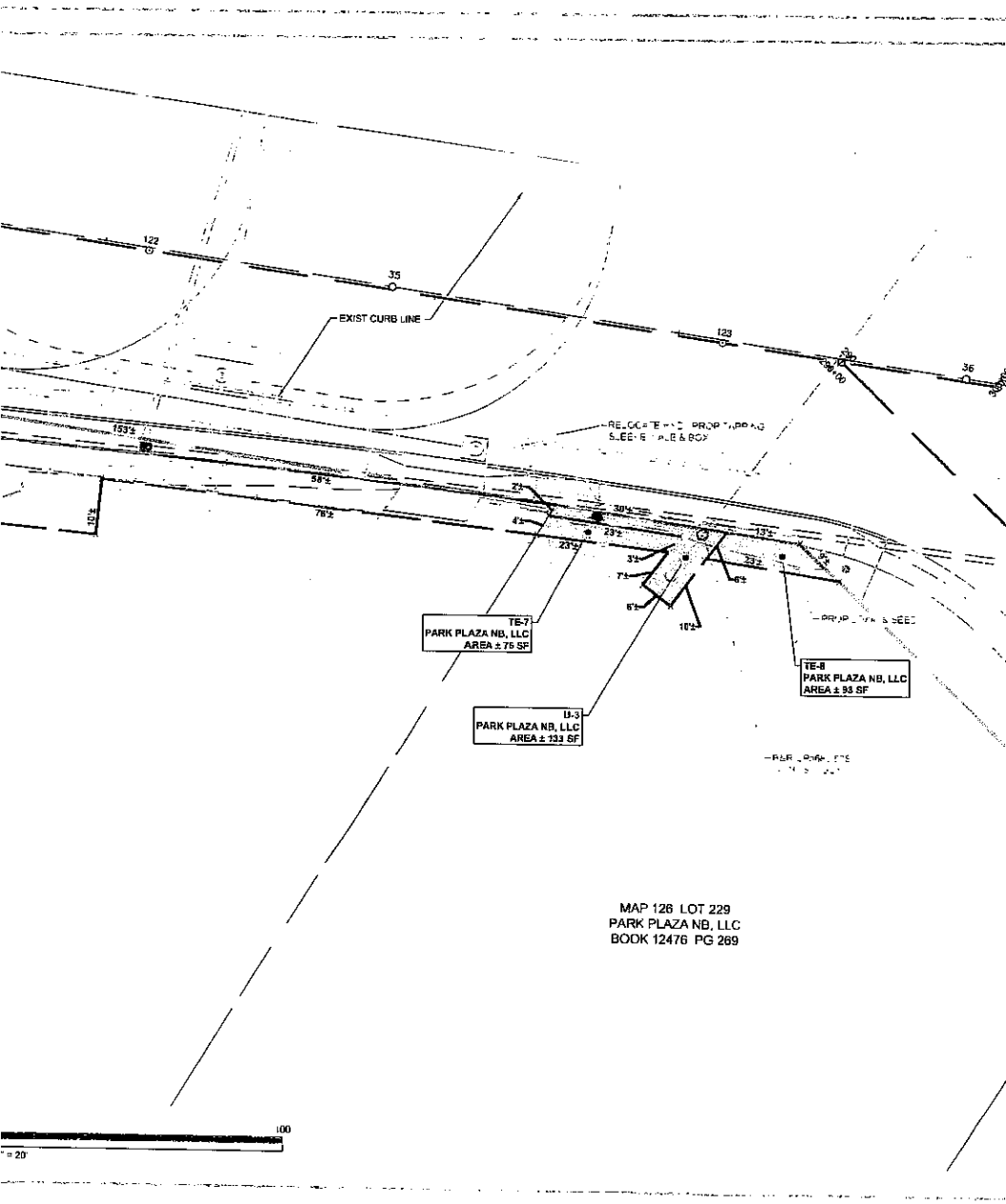
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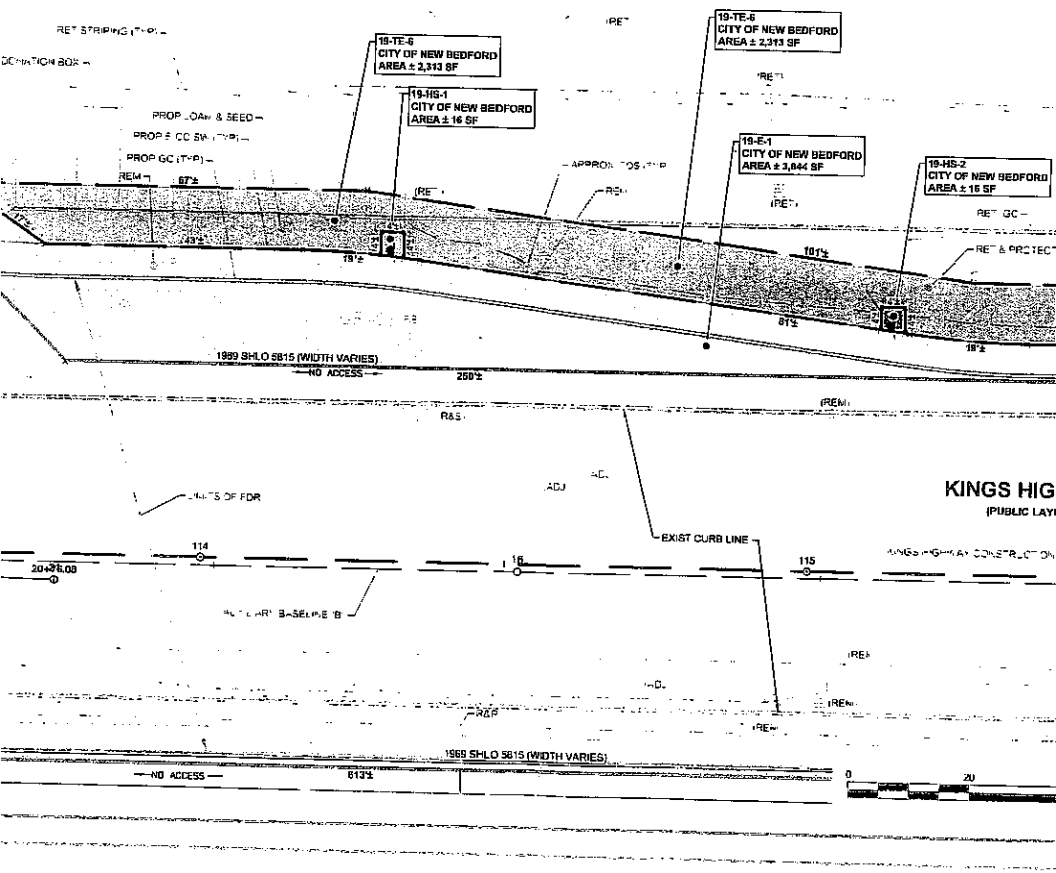
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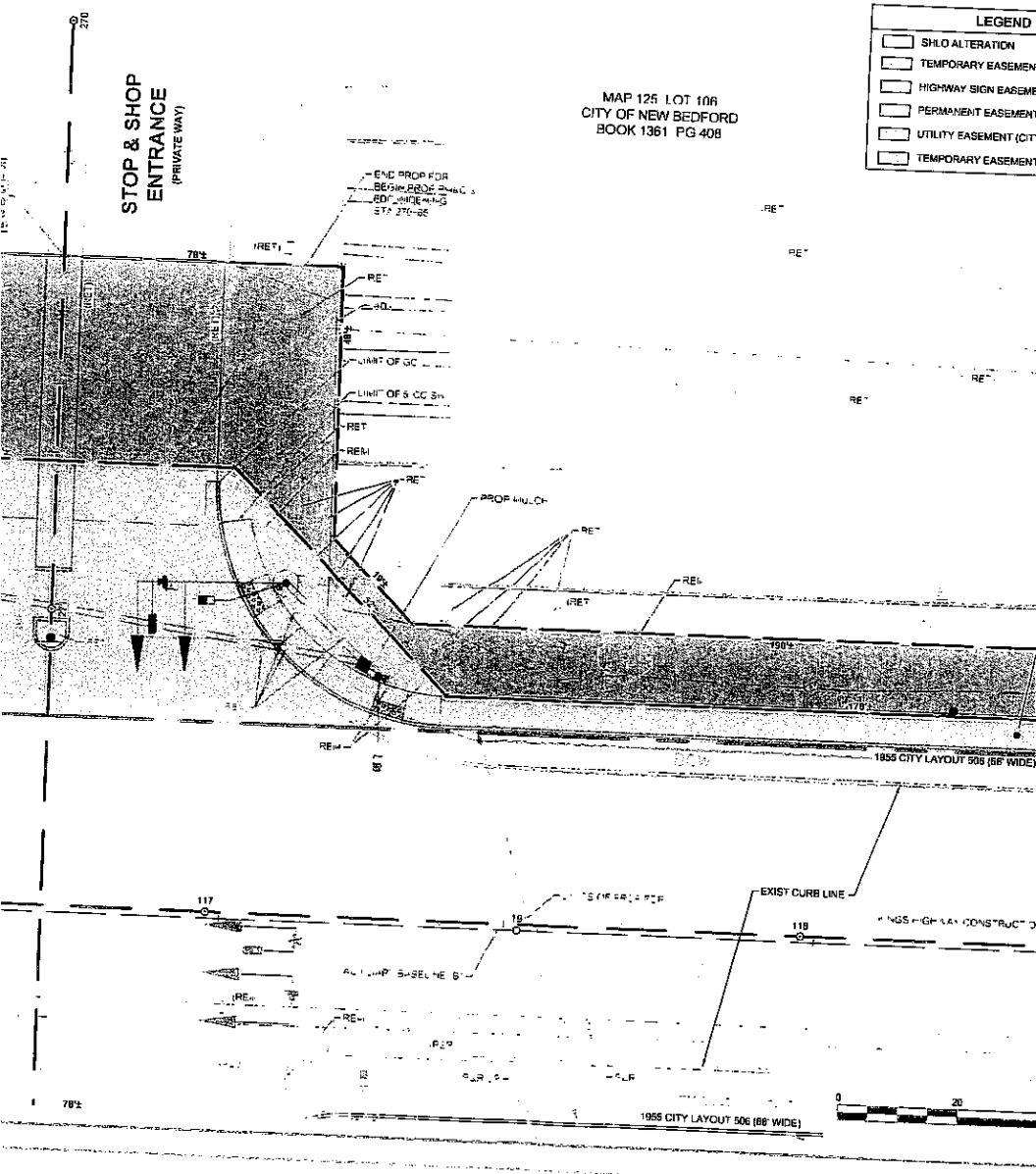
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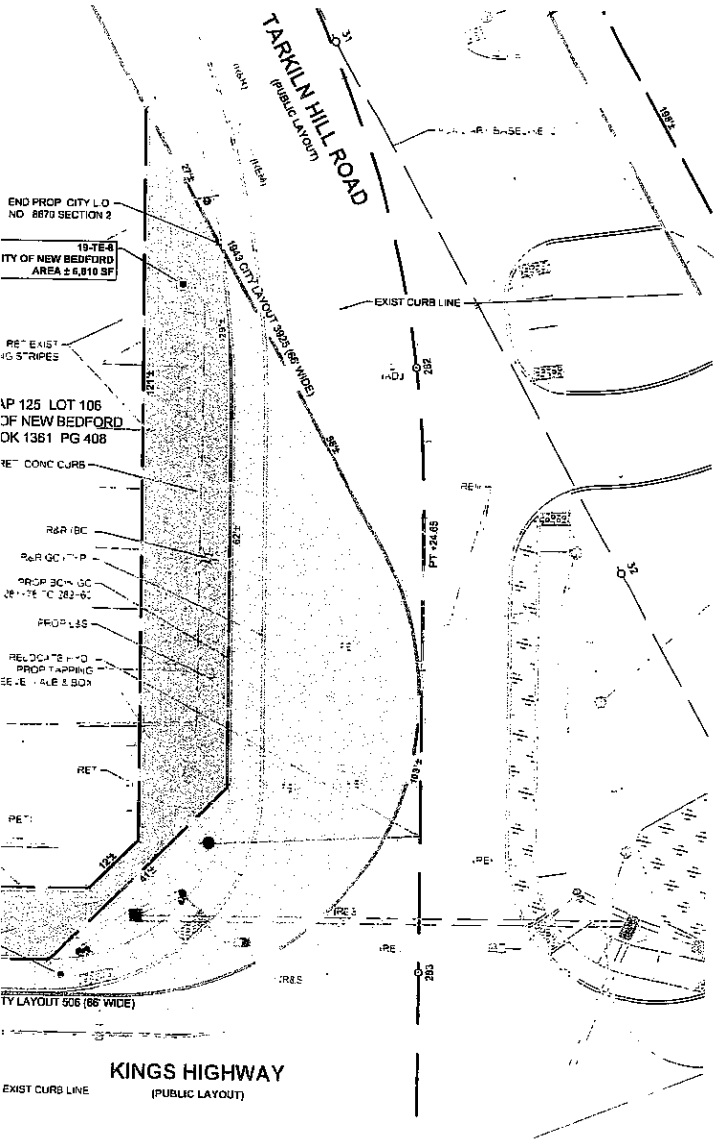
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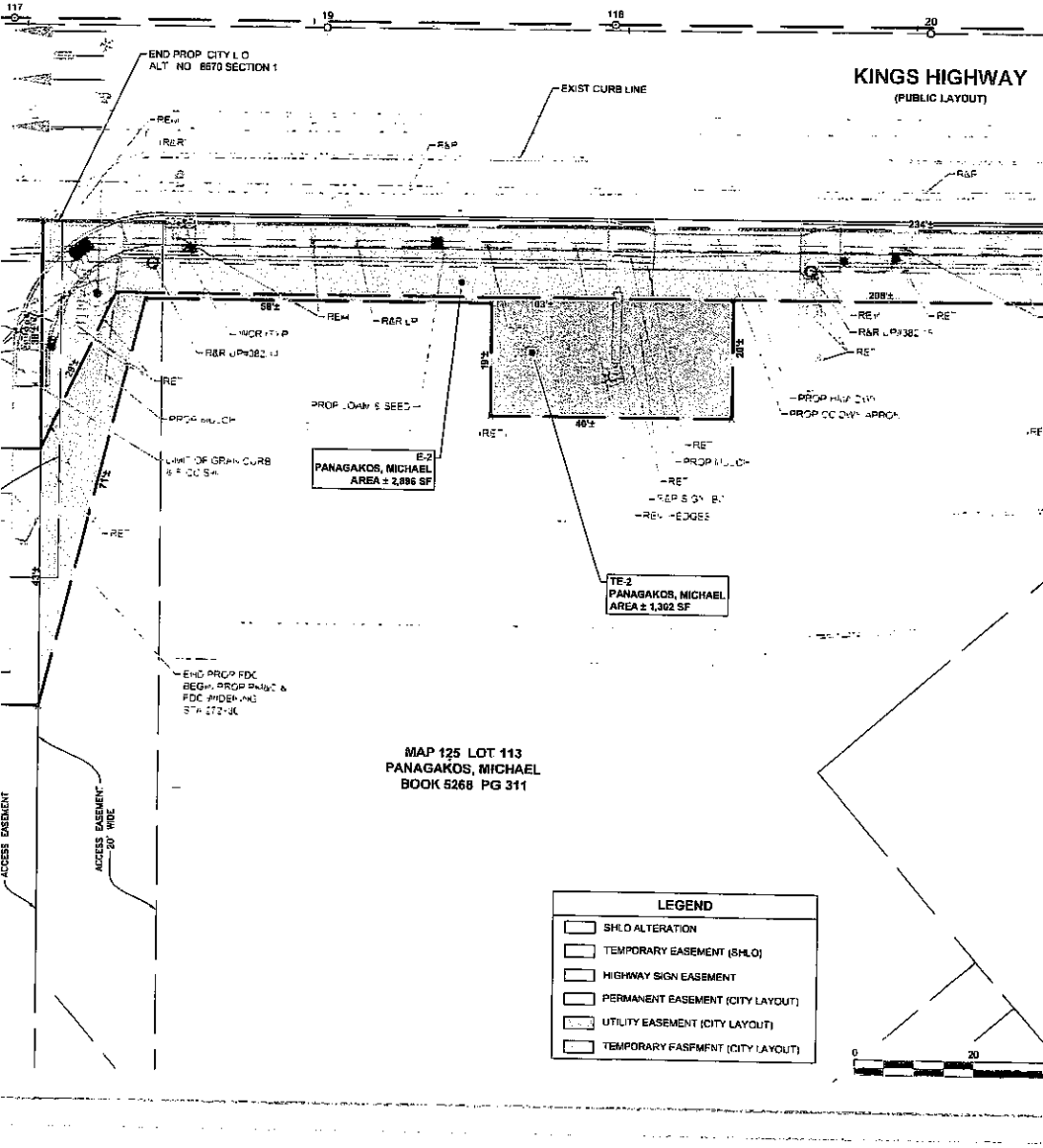
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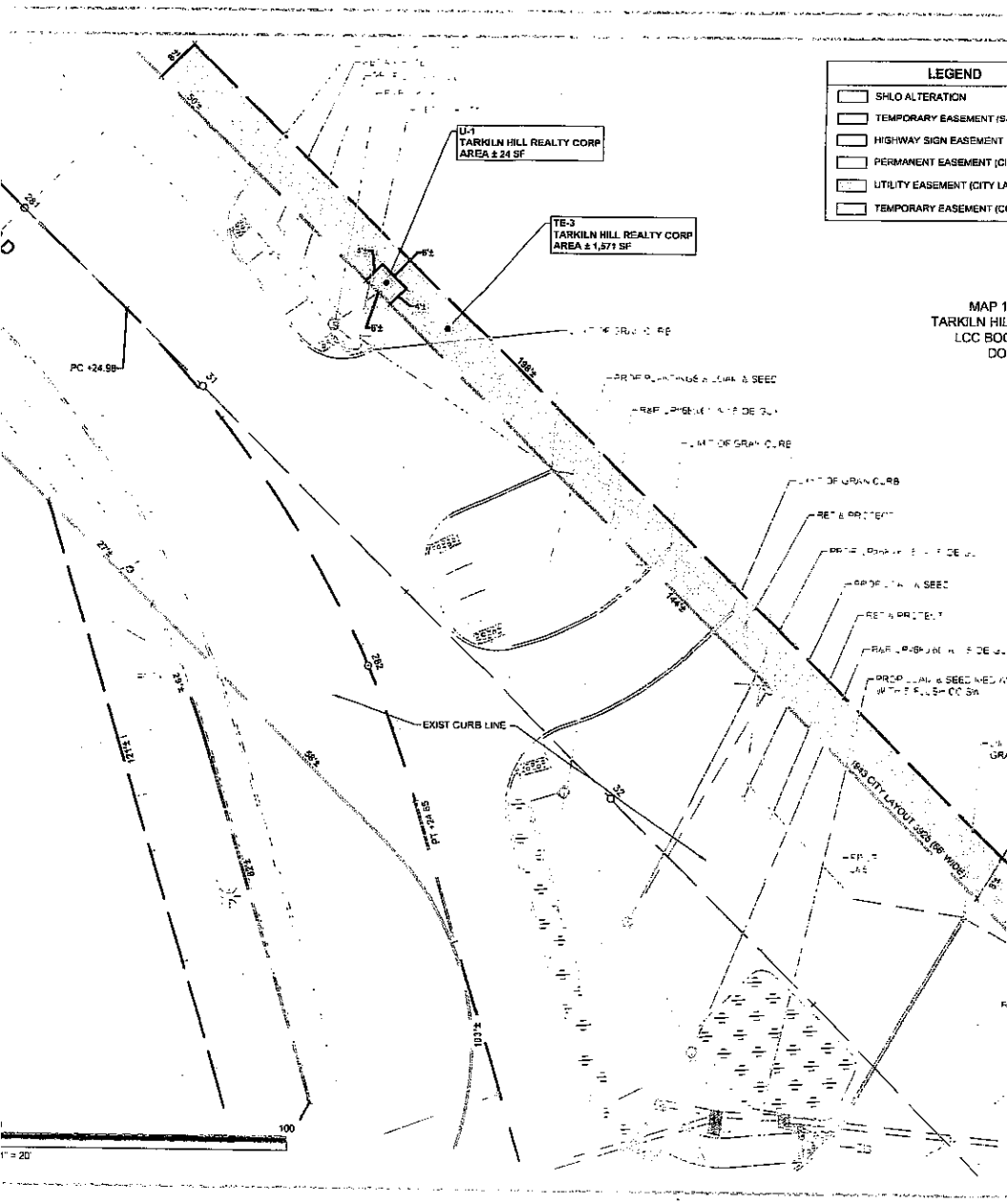
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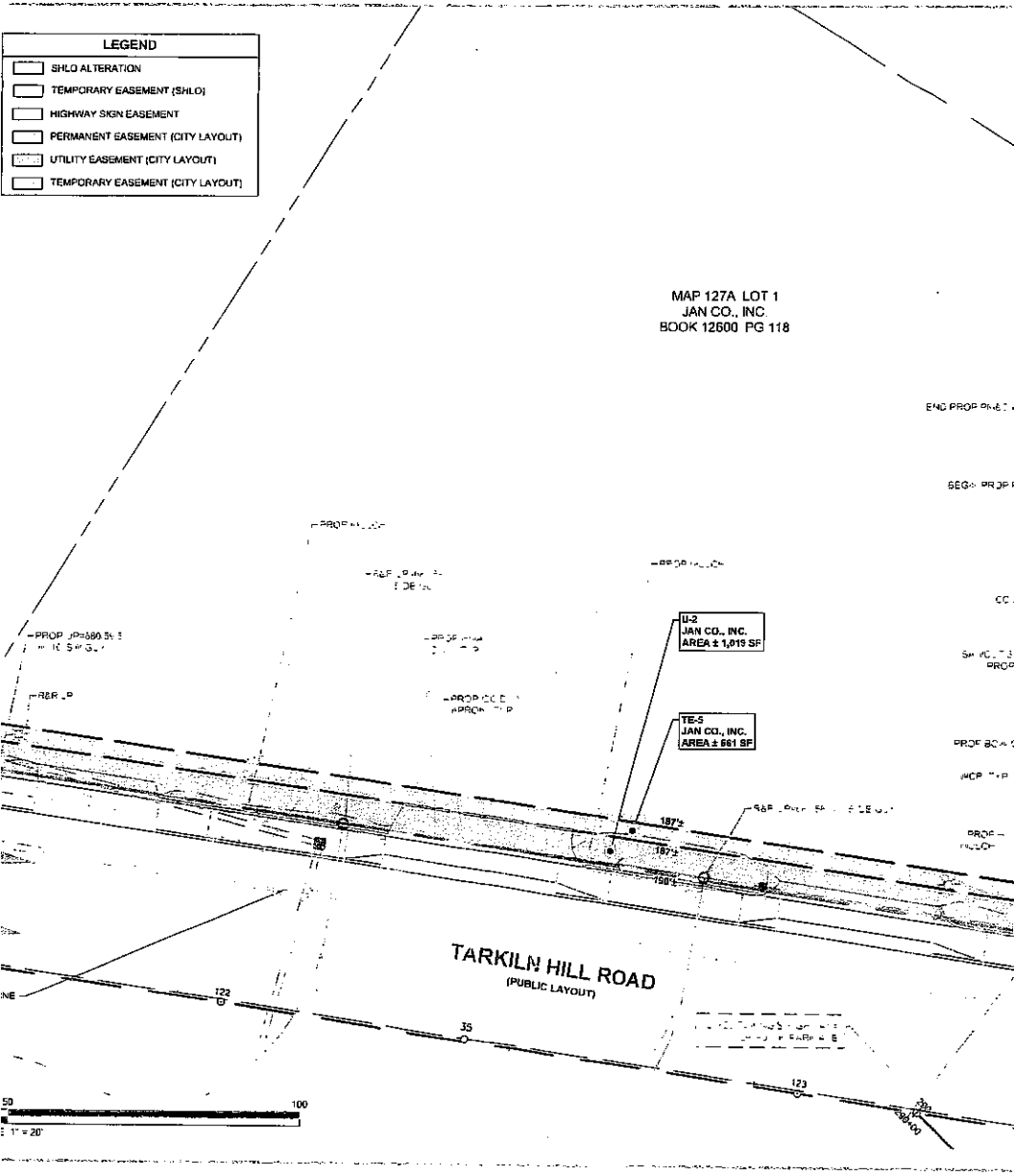
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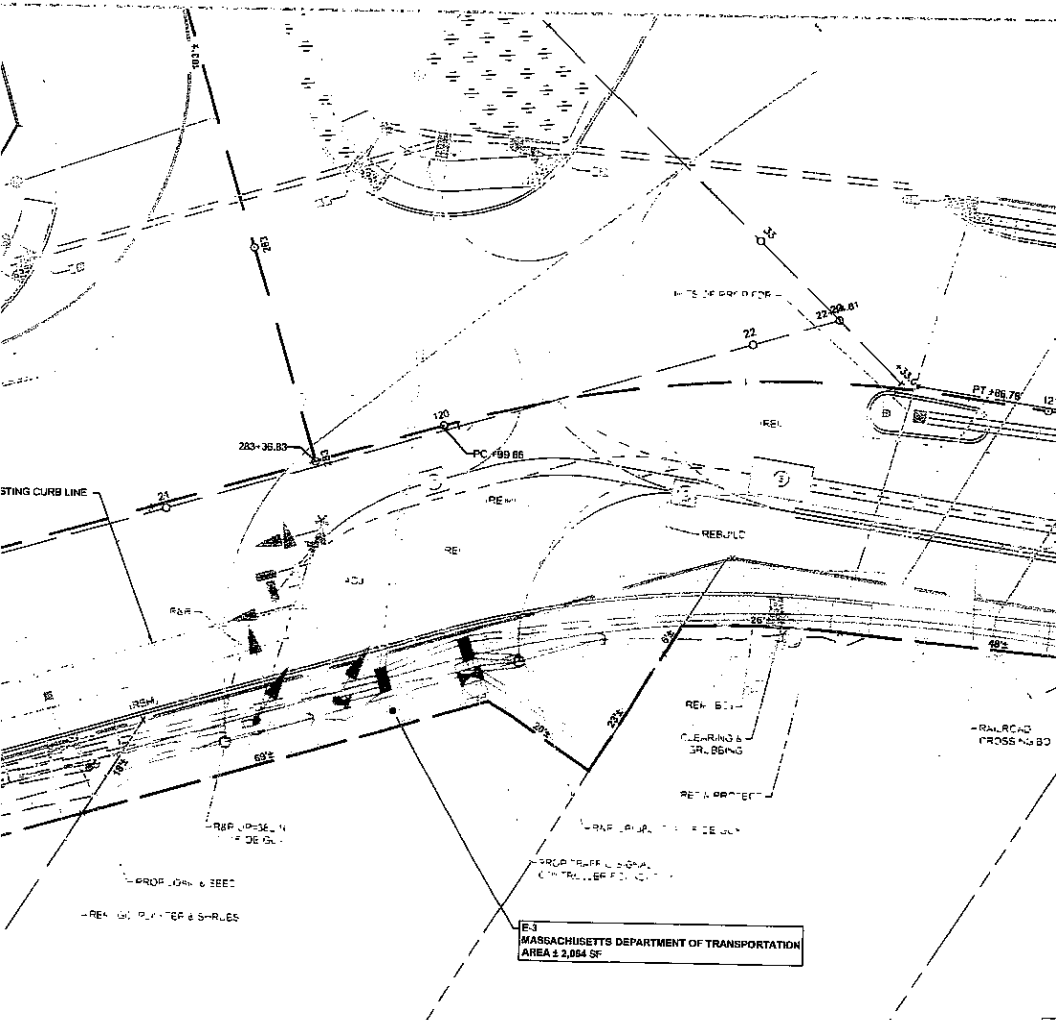
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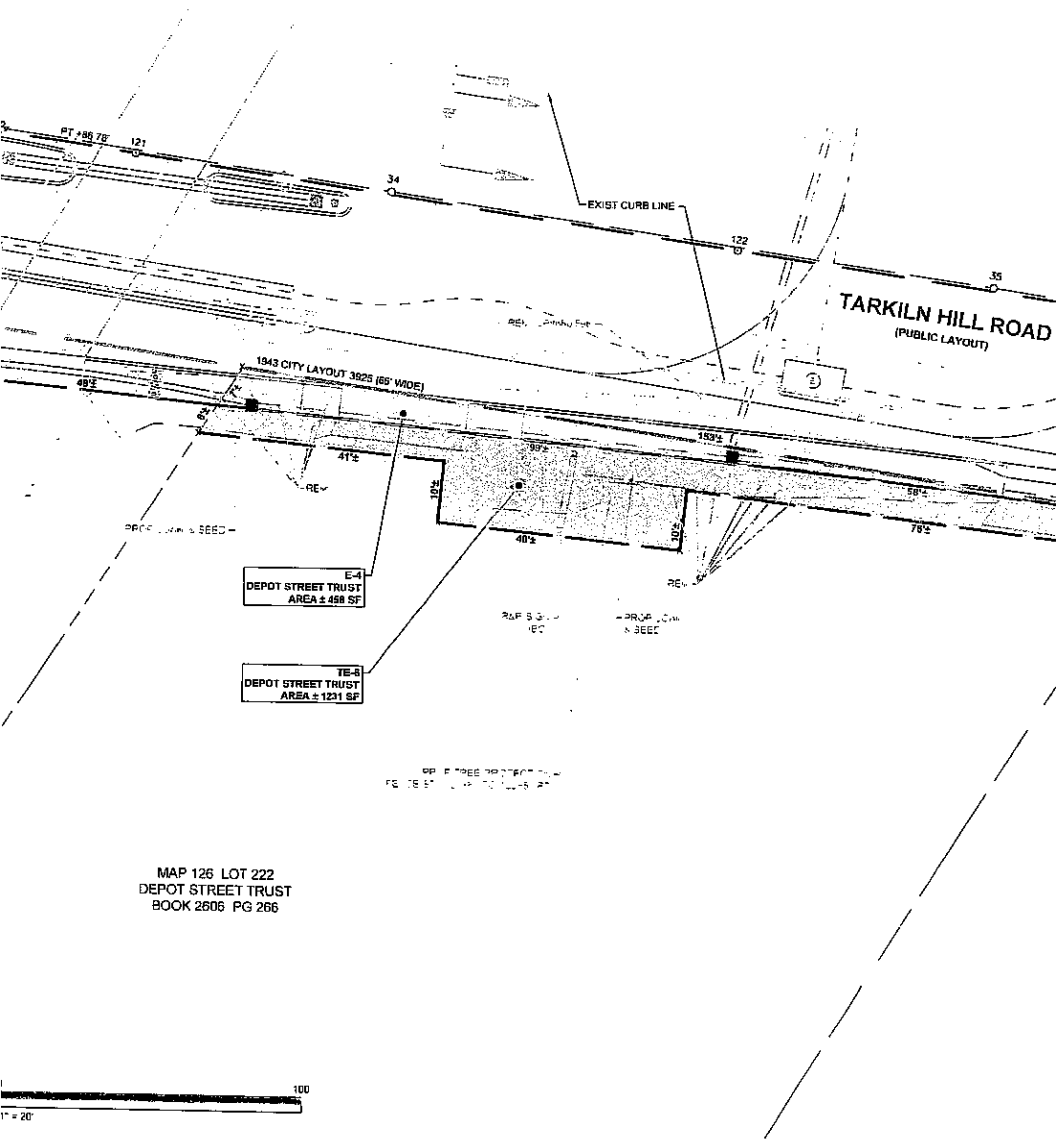
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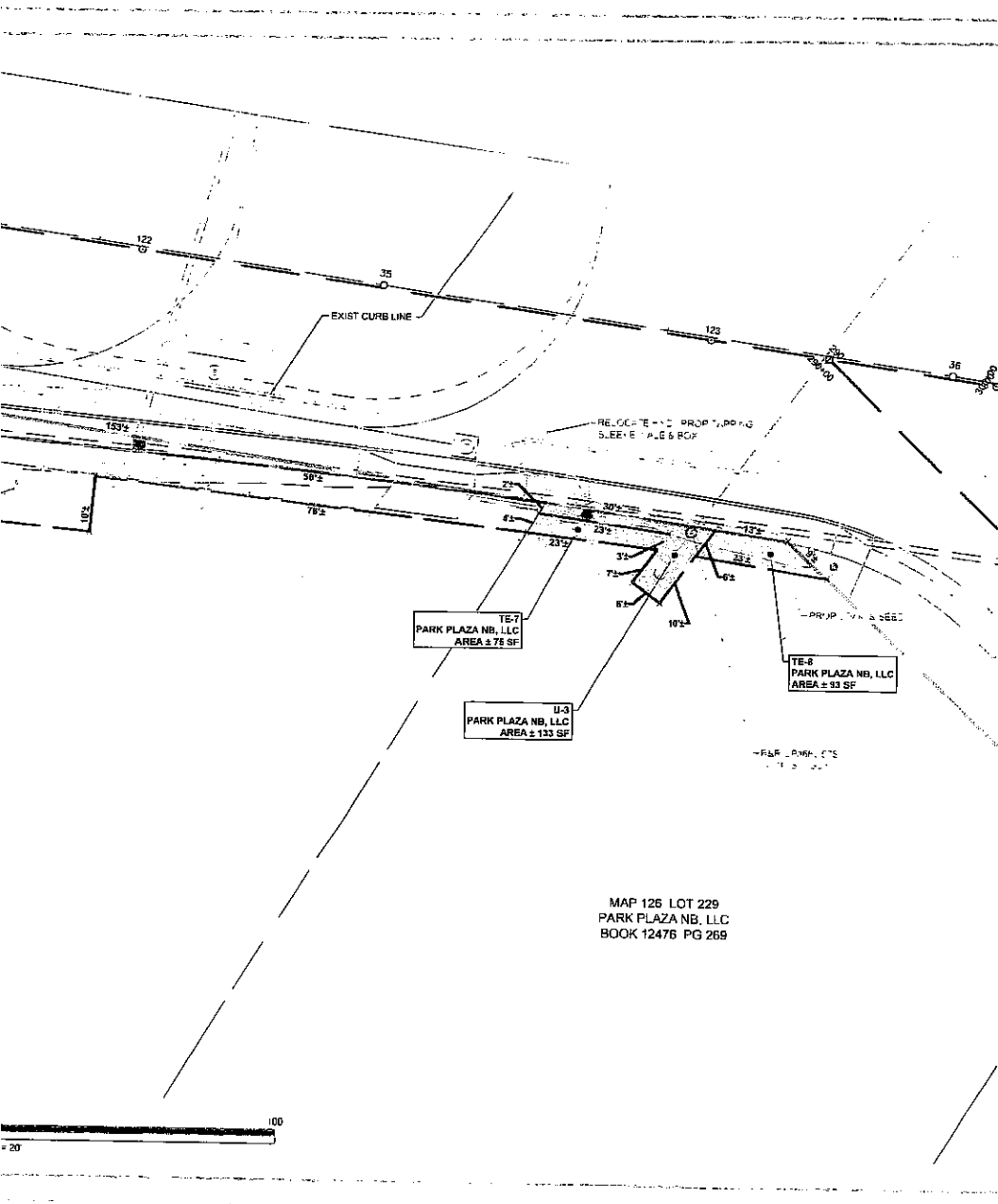
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