

# William S. Moorhead Federal Building

General Services Administration Security Improvements

1000 Liberty Avenue



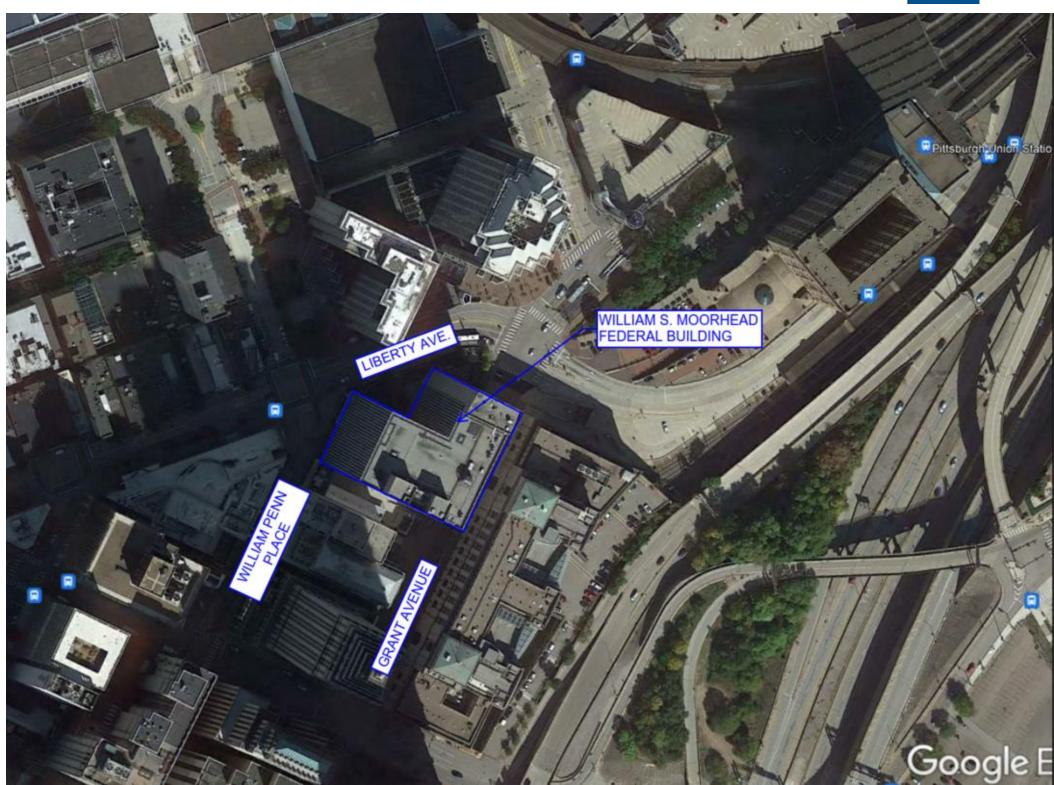


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# <u>Agenda</u>

- 1) Why Security Improvements are Necessary
- 2) Description of Existing Security Features and Site Conditions
- 3) Proposed Solutions to Deficient Conditions

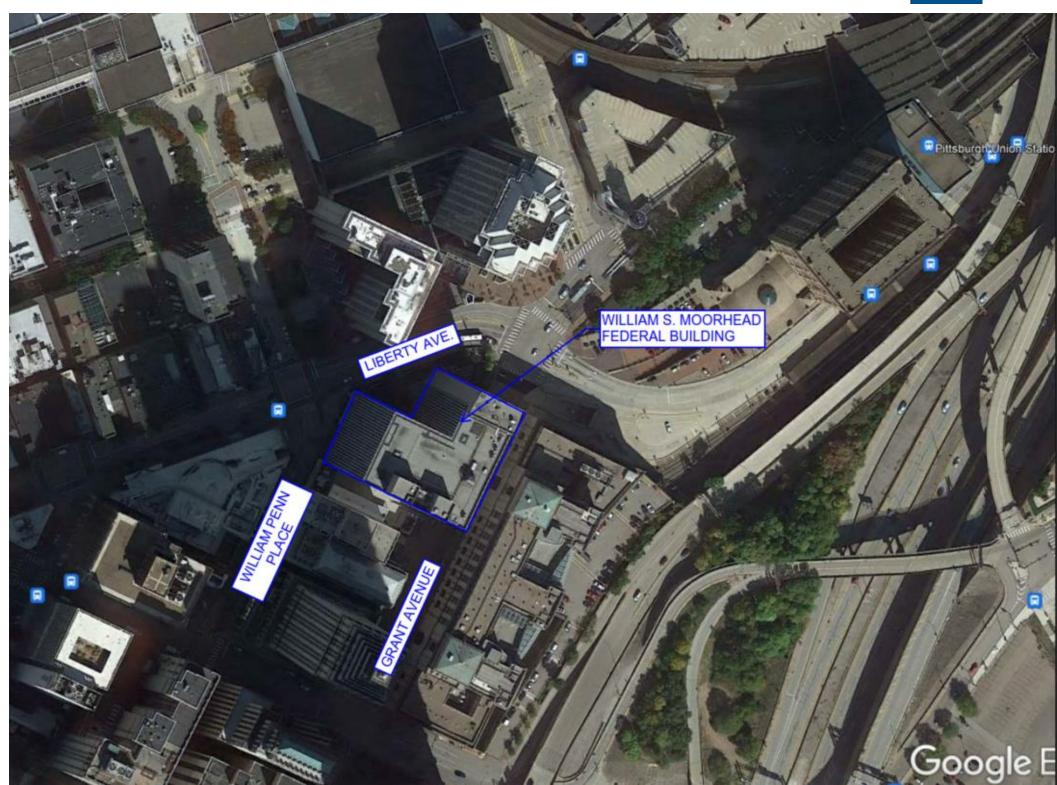






# Why Security Improvements are **Necessary**

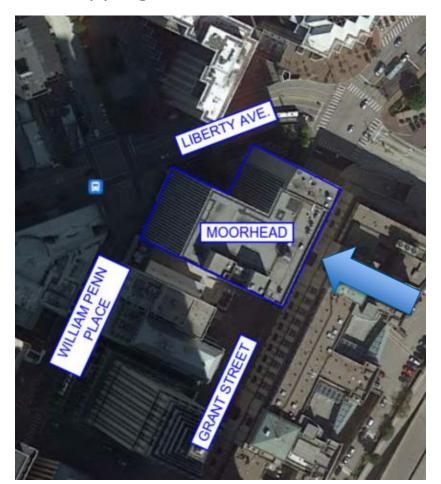
- Meet Federal Requirements
- Federal Interagency Security Committee (ISC) Standards perimeter barriers for all federal facilities
- Department of Homeland Security applies the Standards
- Improvements approved by the Moorhead Facility Security Committee
- Improvements approved by SHPO





# **Existing Features Grant Street**

- Black Bollards with Architectural
  Shroud are crash rated
- Missing bollards southern corner on Grant Street
- Sidewalk Includes Rustic Terrazzo
  Topping





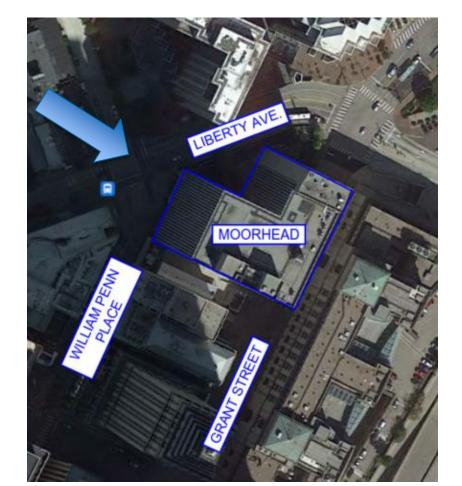


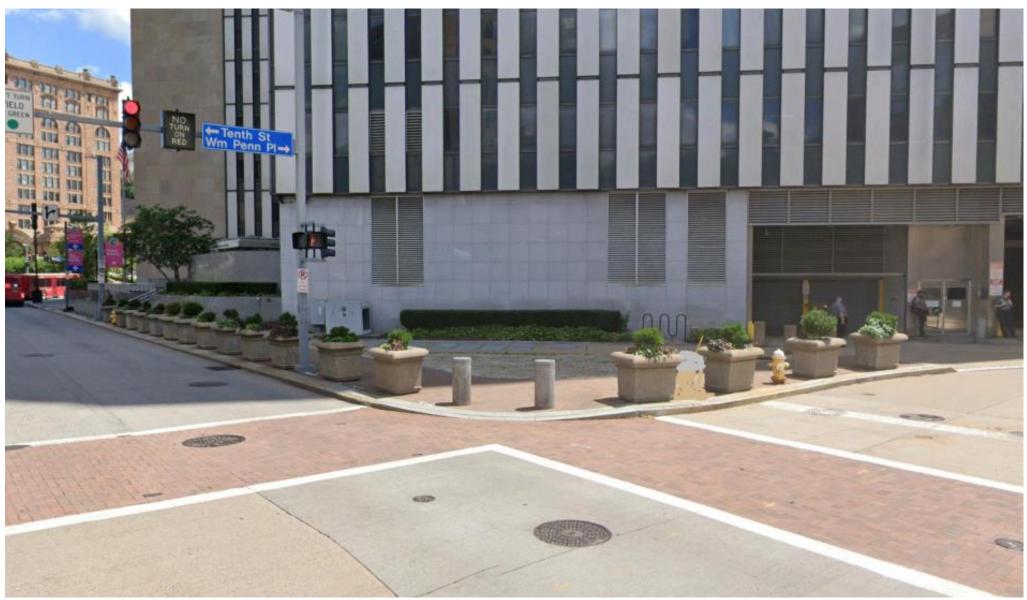




# **Existing Features Liberty Ave**

- Planters and bollards are not crash rated
- Sidewalk includes exposed aggregate and brick



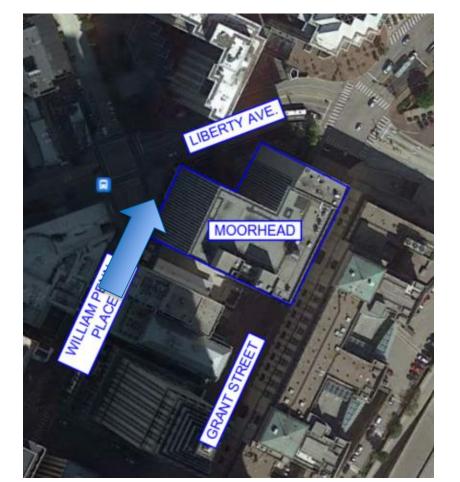






# **Existing Features William Penn Place**

- Barriers are not Crash Rated
- No Maintenance Access





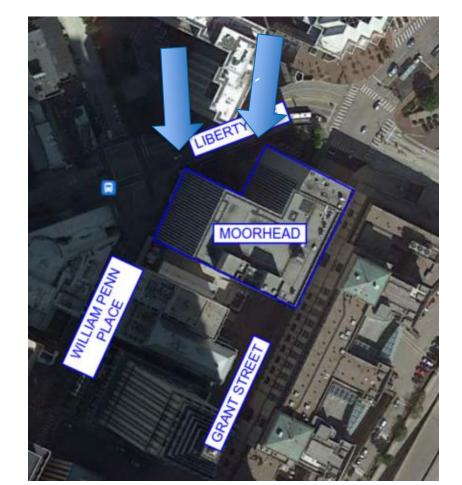




# Site Constraints Liberty Ave

- Underground Vaults
- Tree Boxes









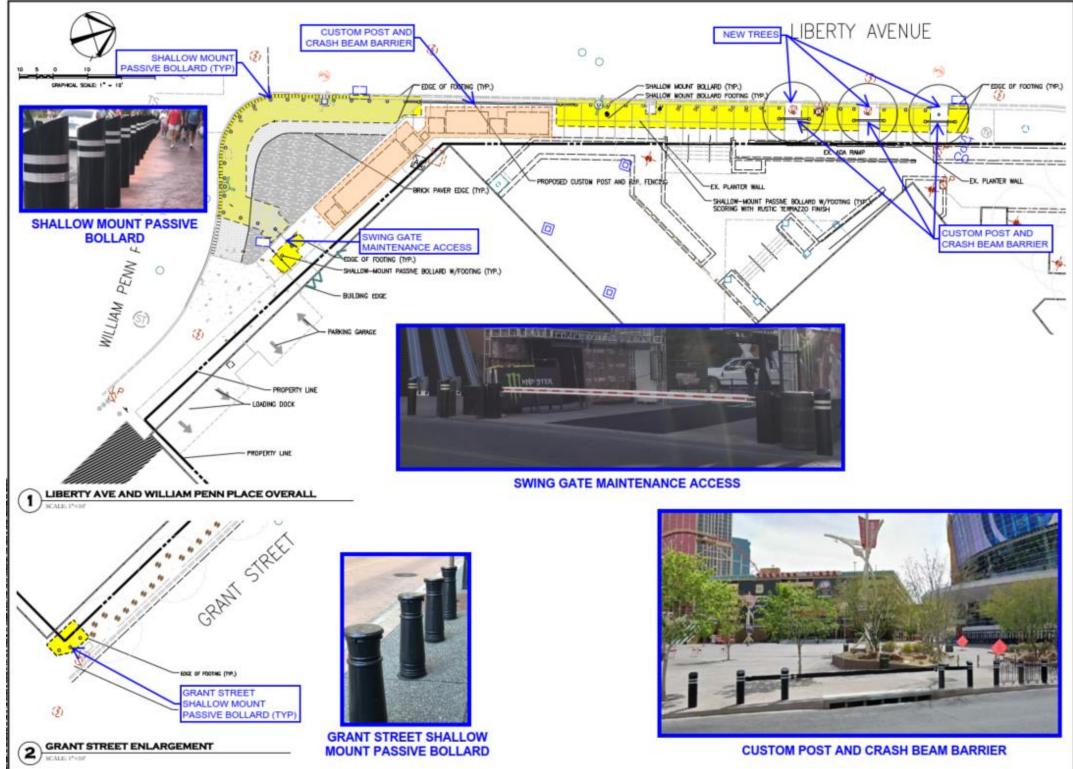




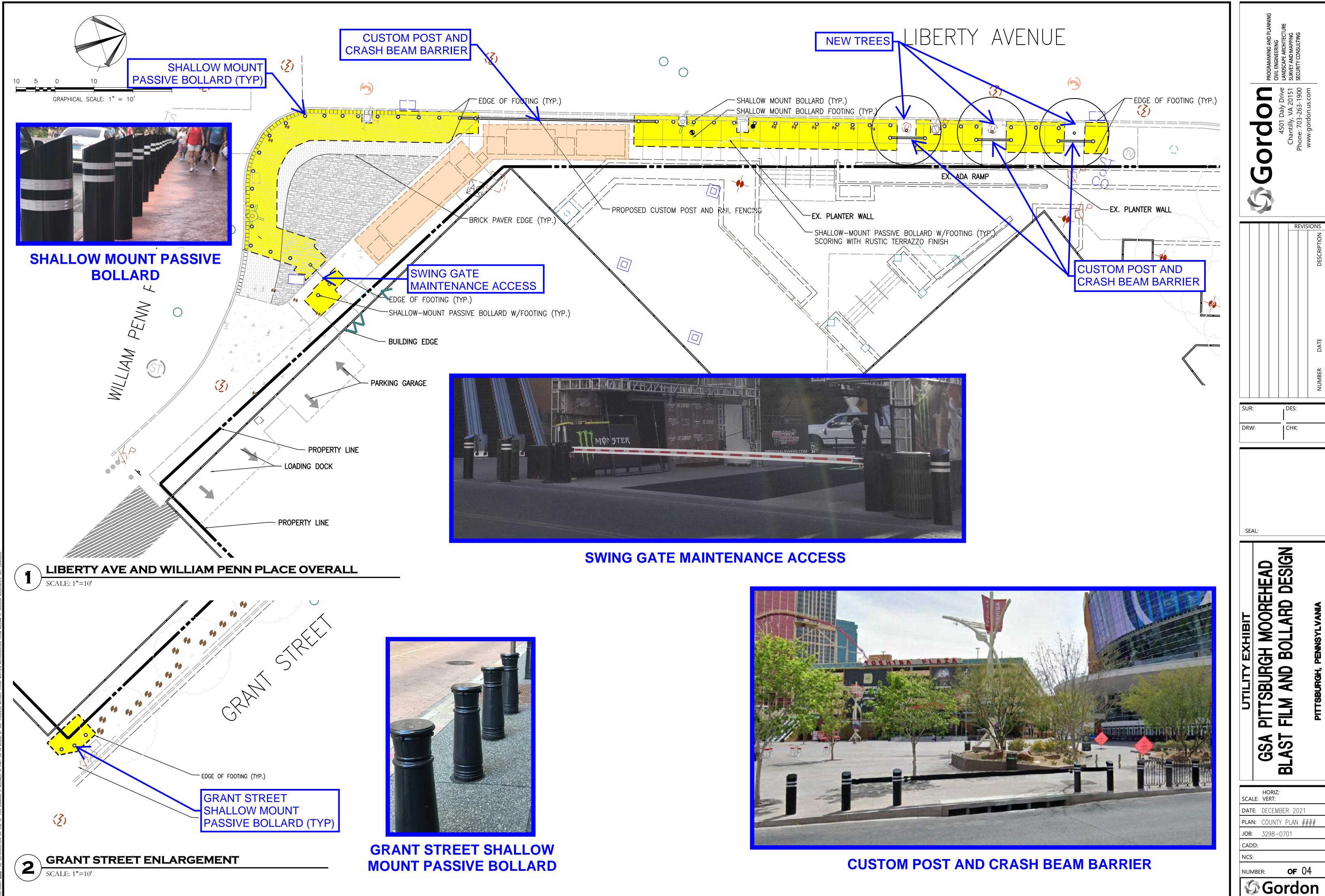


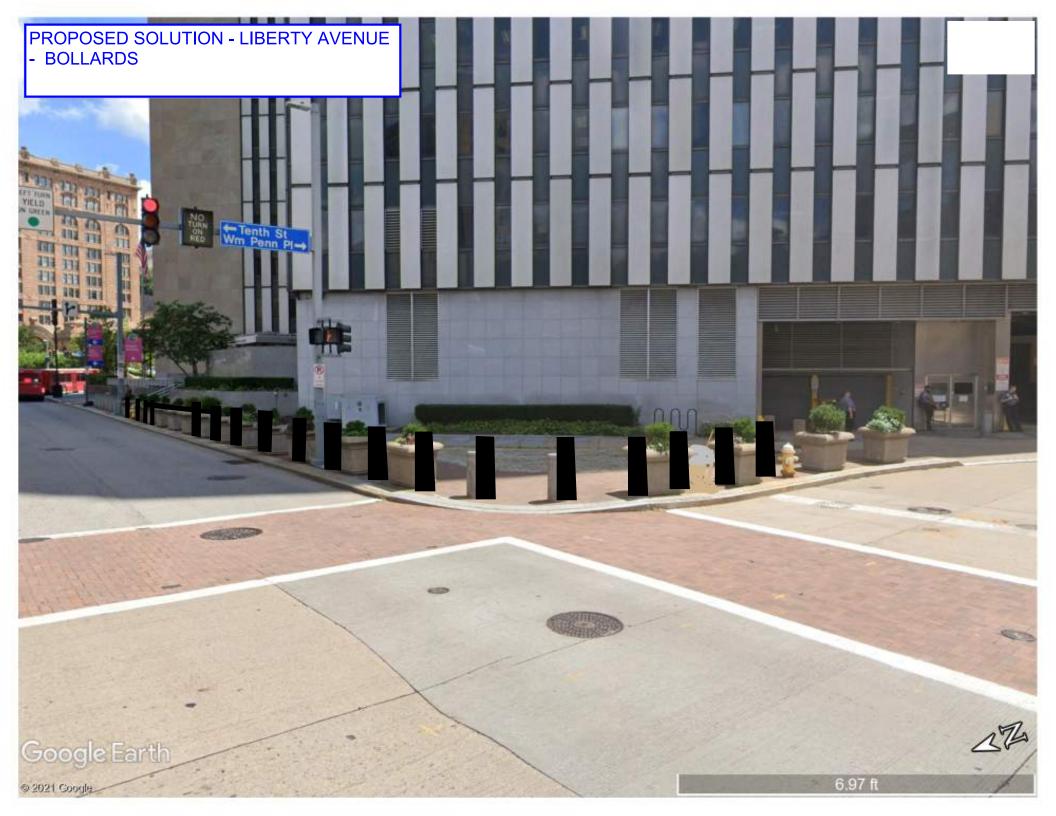
# **Passive Barriers**

- Shallow Mount Passive Bollard
  - 48" Tall
  - Flat Top
- Swing Gate Maintenance Access
- Custom Post and Crash Beam Barrier

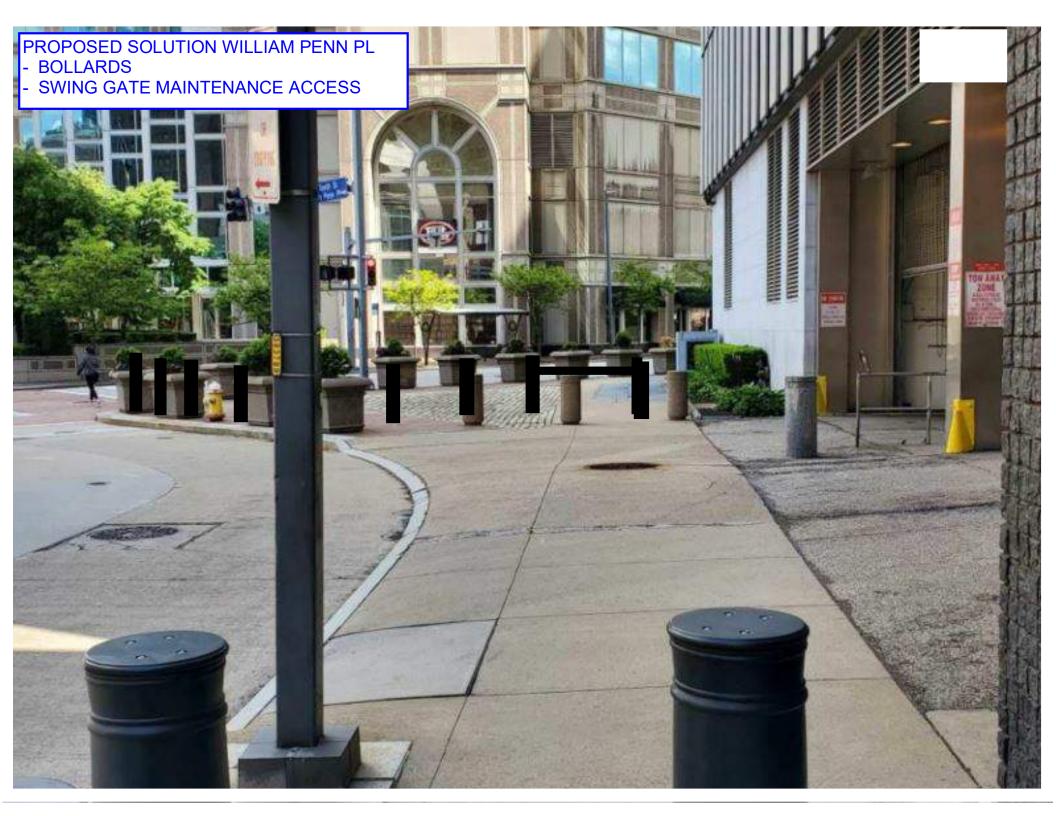


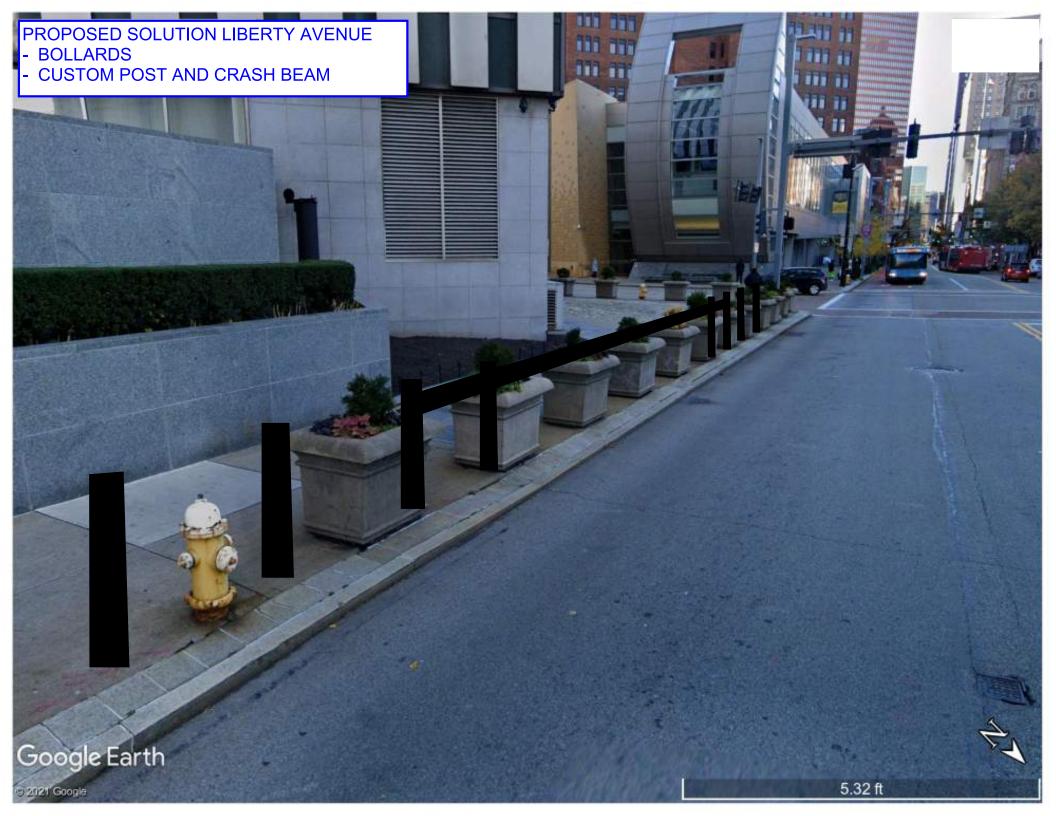




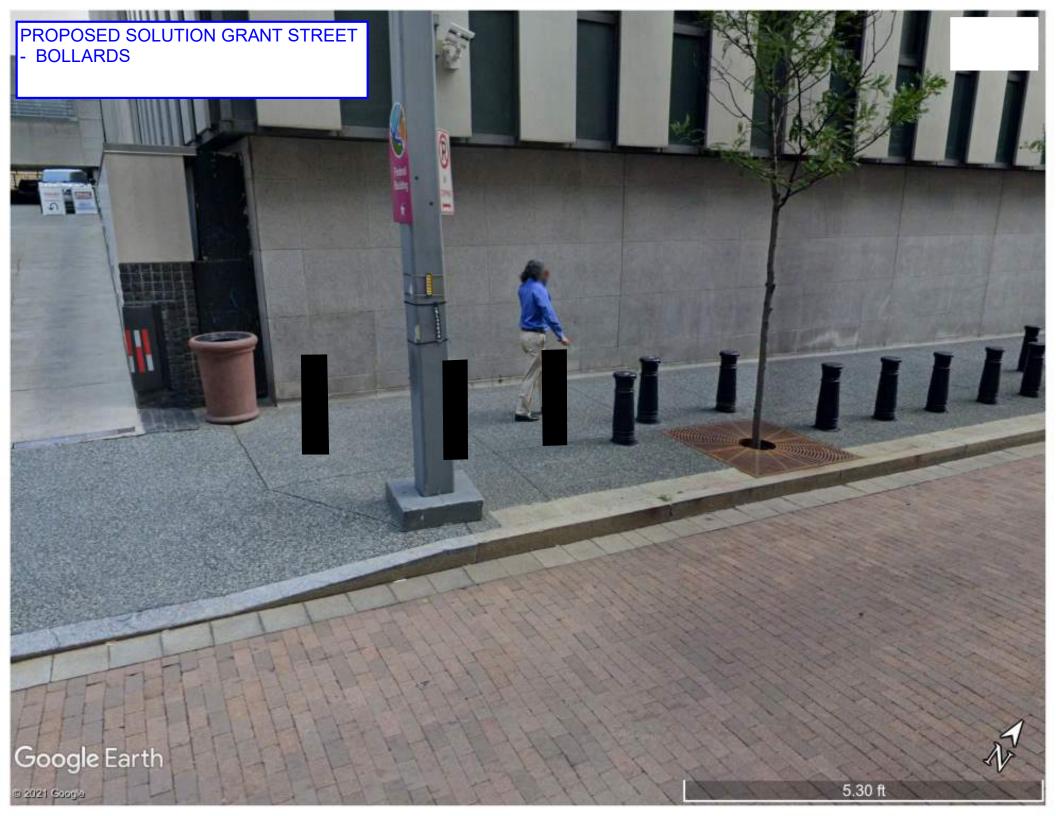














## **Security Improvements**

- Questions?

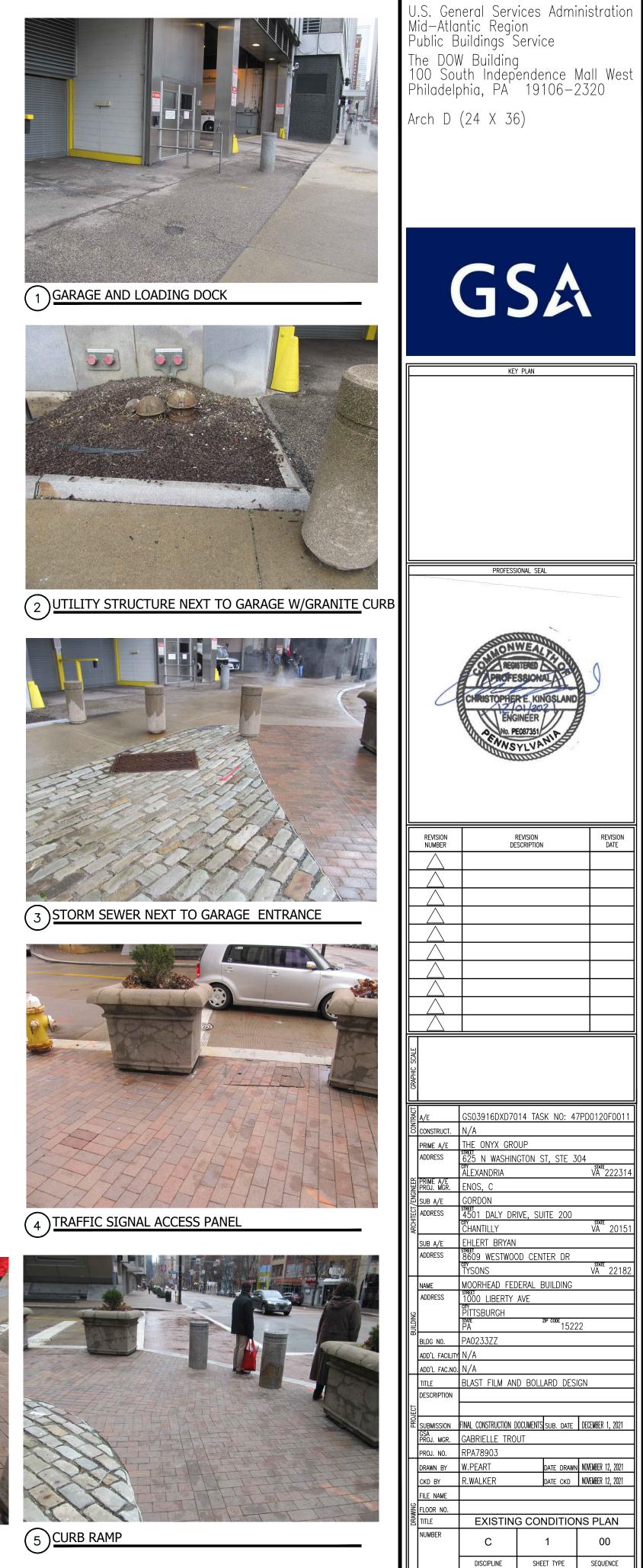
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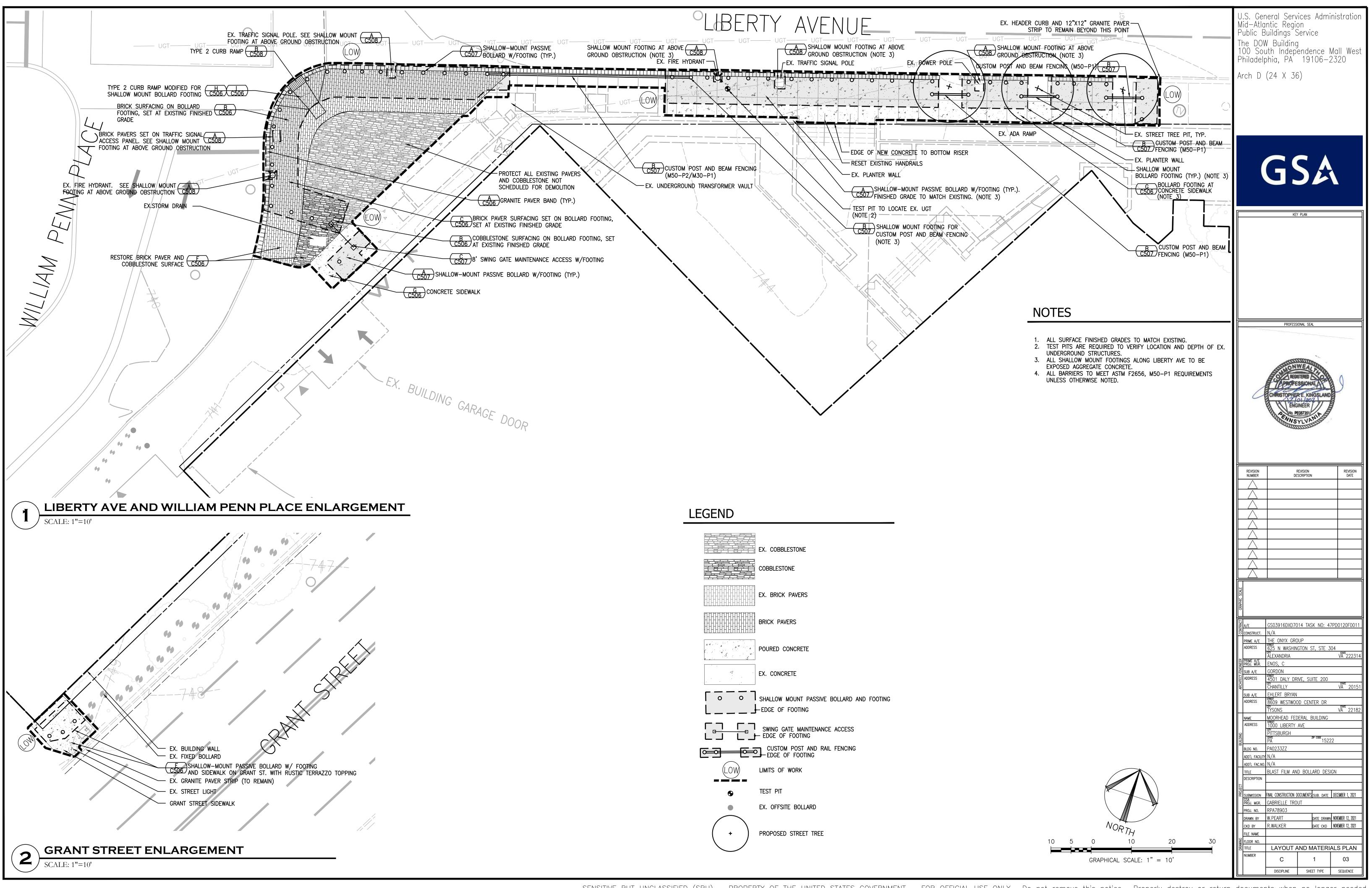


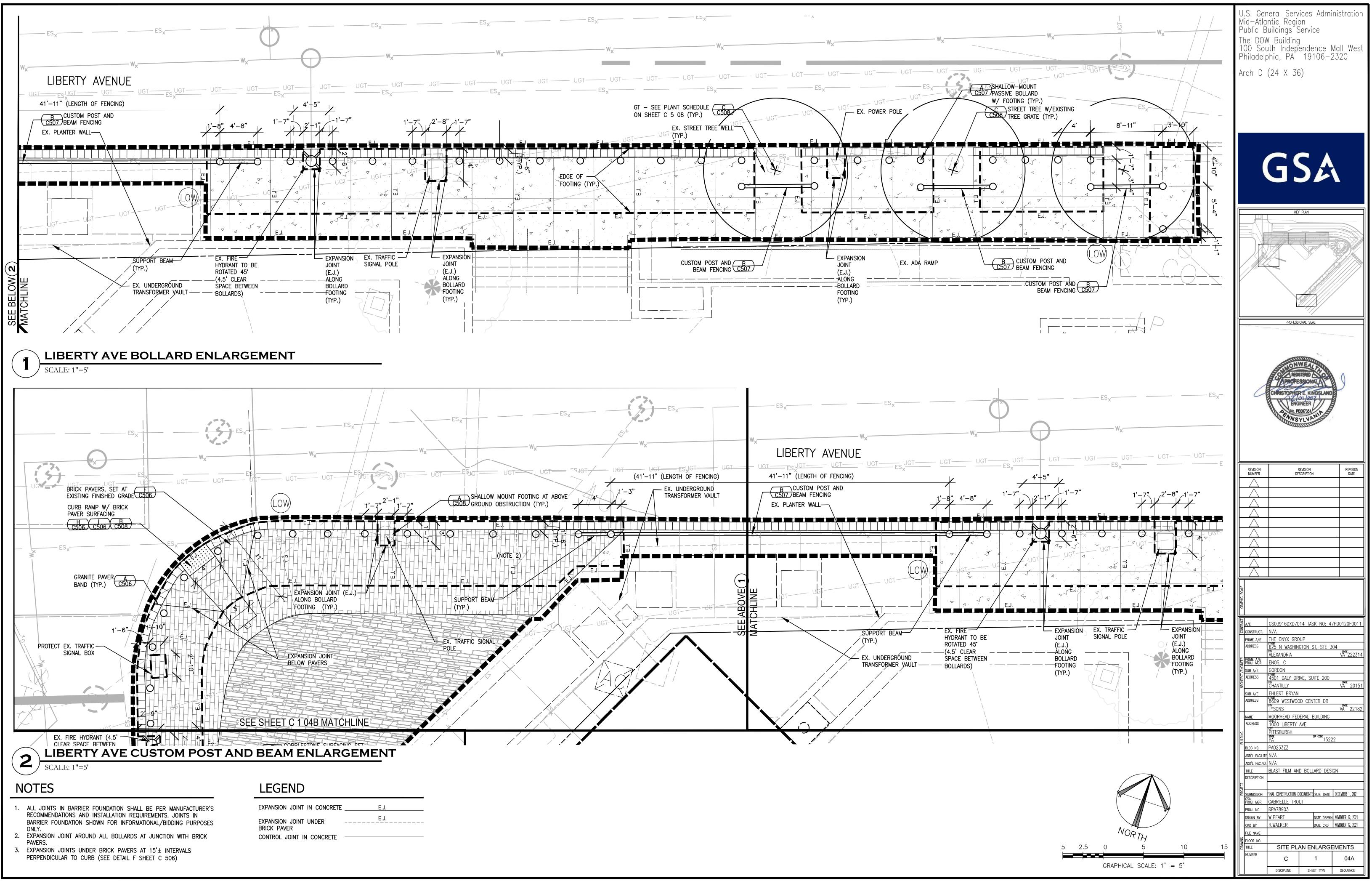


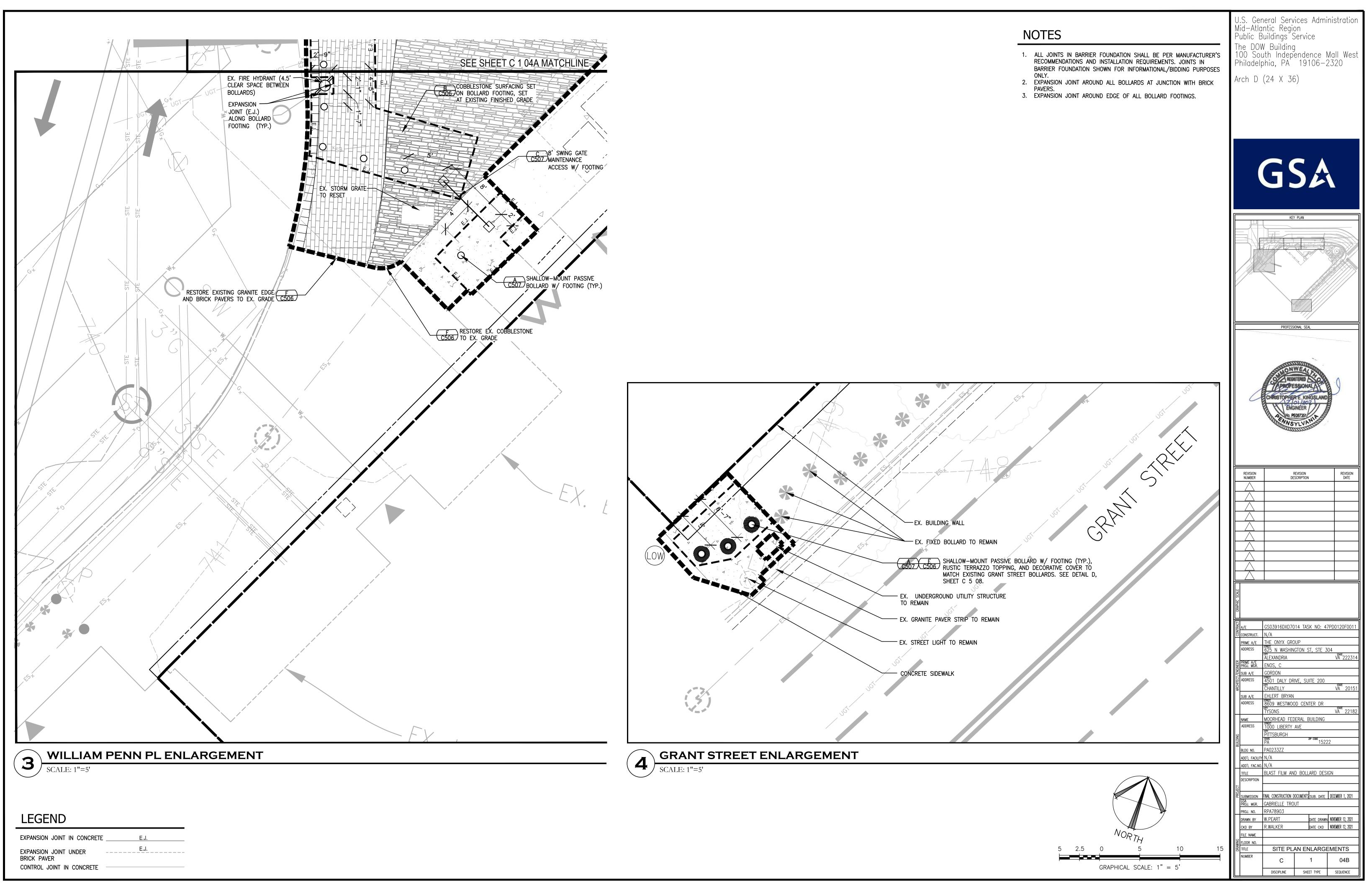
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July 09, 2021

Donna Andrews Regional Historic Preservation Officer US GSA 100 South Independent Mall West Suite 415 Philadelphia PA 19106

ER 2021PR04856.001: GSA, Proposed Security Countermeasures, Pittsburgh, Allegheny County

### Dear Ms. Andrews,

Thank you for submitting information concerning the above referenced project. The Pennsylvania State Historic Preservation Office (PA SHPO) reviews projects in accordance with state and federal laws. Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, and the implementing regulations (36 CFR Part 800) of the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation, is the primary federal legislation. The Environmental Rights amendment, Article 1, Section 27 of the Pennsylvania Constitution and the Pennsylvania History Code, 37 Pa. Cons. Stat. Section 500 <u>et seq</u>. (1988) is the primary state legislation. These laws include consideration of the project's potential effects on both historic and archaeological resources.

### **Archaeological Resources**

Thank you for submitting information concerning the above-referenced project. The following archaeological resources are located in or near the project area: 36AL0520 Ogle Way Site. Based on the information received and available in our files, in our opinion, the activity described in your proposal will have no effect on such resources. Should the scope of the project be amended to include additional ground disturbing activities and/or should you be made aware of historic property concerns, you will need to notify the PA SHPO at pashare@pa.gov. A Phase I Archaeological Survey may be necessary to locate all potentially significant archaeological resources.

### **Above Ground Resources**

Thank you for submitting information concerning the above-referenced project. In our opinion and based on the information received, the project as proposed will have no adverse effect on the following historic properties: Penn-Liberty Historic District Increase, Resource # 2011RE00527; Pittsburgh Central Downtown Historic District, Resource # 1984RE02658. Should the scope of the project change and/or should you be made aware of historic property concerns, you will need to notify the PA SHPO at <u>pashare@pa.gov</u> and provide the revised designs for review and comment.

If you need further information on above ground resources please consult Cheryl Nagle at <u>chnagle@pa.gov</u>. If you need further information on archaeological resources please contact Sara-Ladd Clark at <u>saralclark@pa.gov</u>.

Sincerely,

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Andrea L. MacDonald Deputy SHPO



June 21, 2021

Mr. Douglas C. McLearen, Chief Division of Archaeology & Protection Bureau for Historic Preservation Pennsylvania Historical & Museum Commission 400 North Street, 2nd Floor Harrisburg, PA 17120-0093

> Re: Section 106 Undertaking Proposed Perimeter Security Countermeasures William S. Moorhead Federal Building 1000 Liberty Avenue City of Pittsburgh, Allegheny County, Pennsylvania

Dear Mr. McLearen:

The U.S. General Services Administration (GSA) is proposing to install perimeter security countermeasures at the William S. Moorhead Federal Building (Moorhead FB). The Moorhead FB was constructed in 1964 and is not individually eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places (SHPO Opinion: 2/12/15). The Moorhead FB is located immediately adjacent to, and within the viewshed of, the National Register-listed Pittsburgh Central Downtown Historic District (NR: 12/17/85) and the Penn-Liberty Historic District (NR: 11/18/87 and 5/8/13).

The Moorhead FB is located on the west corner of Liberty Avenue and Grant Street in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. The proposed perimeter security countermeasures will address security needs along Grant Street, Liberty Avenue, and William Penn Place. Bollards with painted black steel covers and granite barriers currently exist along the Grant Street side of the facility; a granite retaining wall and movable planters provide a partial perimeter along Liberty Avenue and William Penn Place. This project proposes to install clear anti-fragmentation film to the exterior windows of the first three floors of the building, fixed bollards and post and beam anti-ram fencing on Grant Street near the south corner of the Moorhead FB and along Liberty Avenue and William Penn Place, and active vehicle barriers at the existing loading dock and parking garage on William Penn Place. This undertaking is in response to Interagency Security Committee (ISC) requirements which require perimeter barriers be installed at federal facilities. The Moorhead FB is considered a Level IV secure facility per ISC standards.

The proposed project is considered an undertaking subject to Section 106 consultation. For purposes of Direct Effect, GSA proposes the Area of Potential Effect (APE) be limited to the areas of disturbance at the building itself. For purpose of the APE for Indirect Effects, GSA proposes the surrounding areas the changes to property will be visible, including a portion of Grant Street midway between 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue and Liberty Avenue, Liberty Avenue from Grant Street to midway between William Penn Place and Smithfield Street, William Penn Place from Liberty Avenue to midway between Liberty Avenue and 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue, and 10<sup>th</sup> Street from Liberty Avenue

U.S. General Services Administration 100 South Independence Mall West Philadelphia, PA 19106 www.gsa.gov to Penn Avenue. Please see Attachment 1 for a site location map and photographs of the existing conditions.

GSA has retained the Onyx Group to undertake study and design for the proposed perimeter security countermeasures. Please see Attachment 2 for a portion of the 100% Blast Film and Bollard Study, Attachment 3 for the 95% Basis of Design, and Attachment 4 for the 95% design drawings. A variety of local permits, approvals, and coordination are required for this undertaking and are listed in the Basis of Design in Attachment 3, beginning on page 11. The approvals include Department of City Planning, Art Commission review. Modifications to the design may be necessary to secure local permits and approvals.

A geotechnical study undertaken at the Moorhead FB determined that the soils surrounding the building consisted of fill to a depth of approximately 13 feet. The proposed bollards, post and beam anti-ram fencing, and active vehicle barriers will require around three feet of excavation. The likelihood that excavation activities for this undertaking would disturb intact archaeological resources is de minimis.

In accordance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act and 36 CFR 800.5(b), it remains the determination of GSA that the proposed undertaking will have a No Adverse Effect on any historic properties.

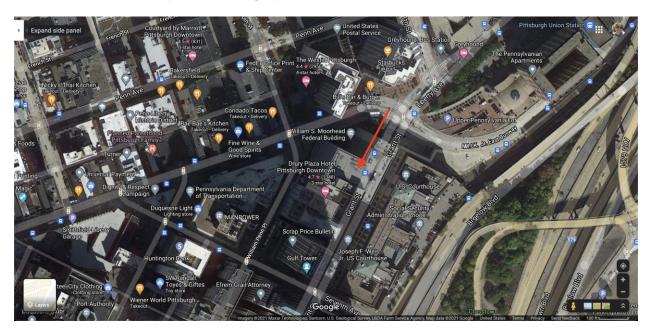
Please note, the included study and design documents are considered Sensitive but Unclassified (SBU) building information. SBU building information is disseminated only to authorized recipients on a need-to-know basis. Please do not share this information with the general public since further distribution is prohibited. Please securely dispose of the design drawings once consultation is complete.

If you need additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me at (215) 446-4570 or donna.andrews@gsa.gov.

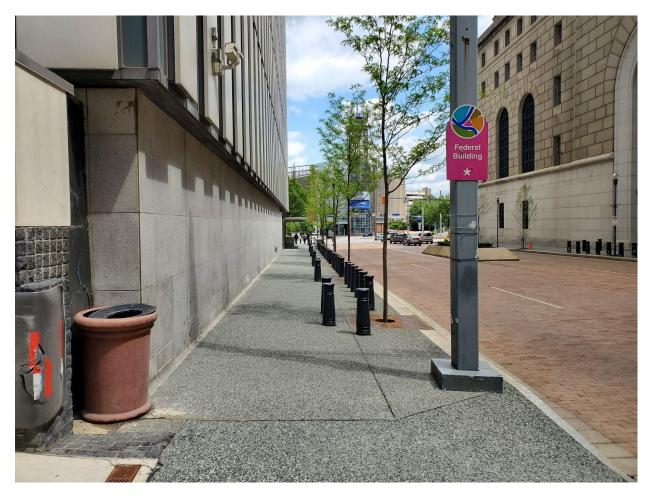
Sincerely,

Donna Andrews Regional Historic Preservation Officer Public Buildings Service

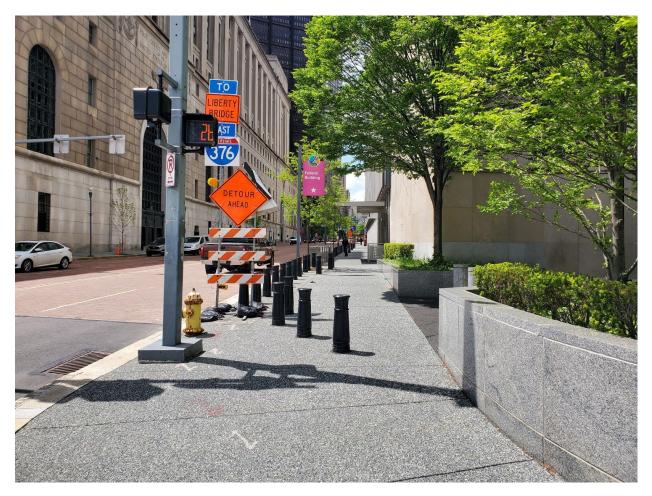
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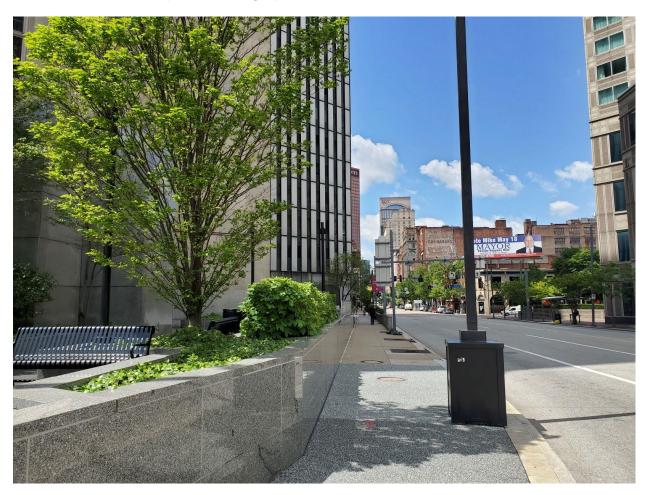
Aerial photograph showing the location of the Moorhead FB. Red arrow indicates the Moorhead FB. Google Maps 2021.



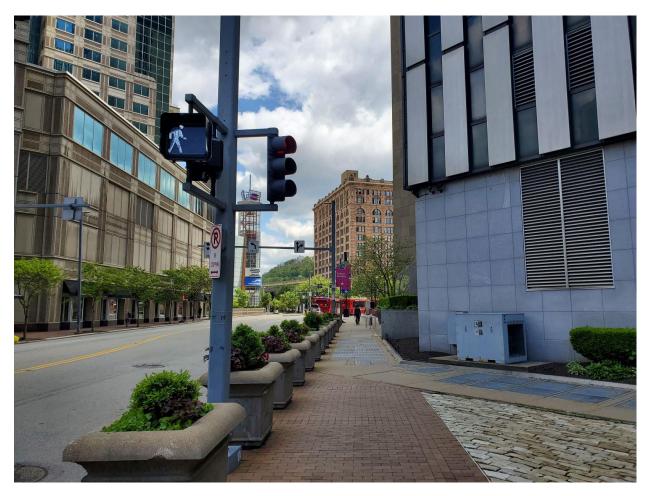
View northeast along Grant Street from the south corner of the Moorhead FB. Three additional matching bollards will be installed at this location.



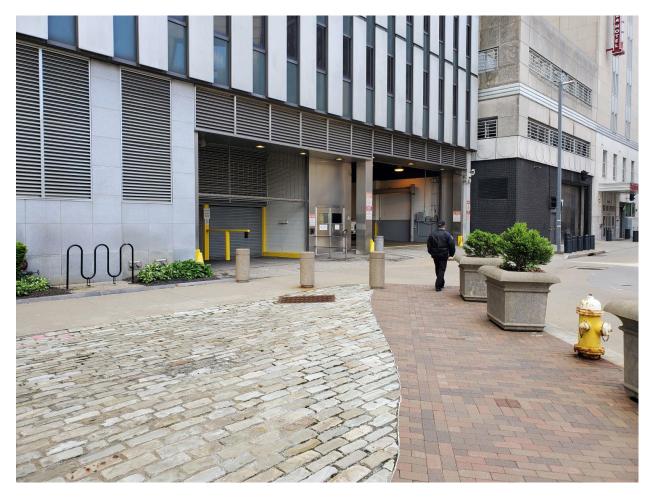
View southeast along Grant Street from the intersection with Liberty Avenue.



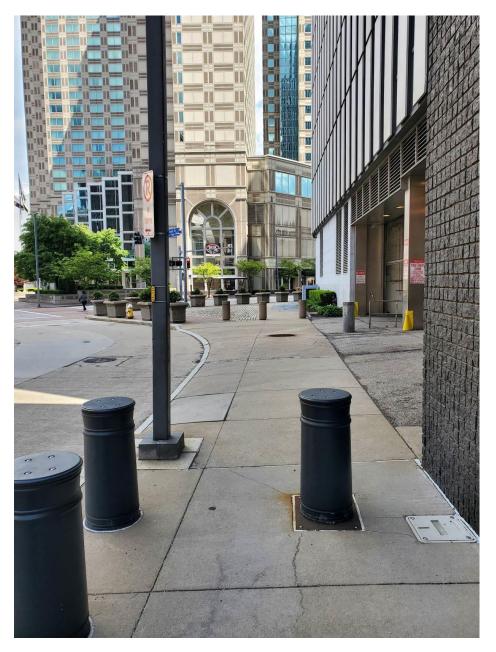
View west-southwest along Liberty Avenue from near the intersection with Grant Street. A combination of bollards matching those along Grant Street and post and beam anti-ram fencing will be installed along Liberty Avenue.



View east-northeast along Liberty Avenue from William Penn Place. A combination of bollards matching those along Grant Street and post and beam anti-ram fencing will be installed along Liberty Avenue, replacing the existing movable planters.



View south along William Penn Way toward the existing loading dock and parking garage entrance from Liberty Avenue. Bollards matching those along Grant Street will be installed along William Penn Place up to the parking garage entrance. Active vehicle barriers will be installed at the existing loading dock and parking garage entrance.



View northeast along William Penn Place toward Liberty Avenue from the southwest corner of the Moorhead FB. Bollards matching those along Grant Street will be installed along William Penn Place up to the parking garage entrance. Active vehicle barriers will be installed at the existing loading dock and parking garage entrance.

### Attachment 2: 100% Blast Film and Bollard Report

The study report is lengthy; pertinent sections including the Executive Summary and portions of the Geotechnical Investigation are included here.

Attachment 3: 95% Basis of Design

Attachment 4: 95% Design Drawings