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575 DEALERSHIP DRIVE DESIGN BRIEF

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Section 1

Type of application – Site plan application and minor rezoning application

Legal Description - Part of Lot 17, Concession 4 (Rideau Front) in the Geographic Township of Nepean

Municipal Address – 575 Dealership Dr.

Purpose of the Application – To facilitate the redevelopment of the property for two shell warehouse structures which will be subdivided for light industrial uses. The property fronts Citigate Drive with Dealership Drive dead ending on the southeastern corner of the property. Currently, Citigate Drive ends at the northern side of the property, however it is anticipated that with the development of the properties to the north, that Citigate Drive will connect through.

The property's western side fronts on the 416. The planning of the site has taken into account the required 14 meter setback from the 416. The site slopes up from Citigate Drive 13+- meters with the 416 higher than the building site.

Vision Statement and Goals of the Project – With the construction of the Amazon facility to the North, this area, originally zoned for Prestige Office has quickly become a new location for warehousing and logistics with up to date, light industrial structures with clear interior heights meant to accommodate modern enterprises. The siting of the buildings reflects the geometry of the site to maximize building area and to optimize the views of visitors and passers-by on the highway: the fronts of the buildings face Citigate and the 416 respectively, while the truck courts for both buildings are located on the interior of the site, not visible from either Citigate or the 416.

In response to the severe change in grade, the two buildings (referred to on drawings and in the submission as A and B) are set at different elevations, A (along Citigate) being lower and B (facing the 416) being set higher.

Response to City Documents

Official Plan – As discussed in the Preconsultation meeting held Tuesday, July 12, 2022:

The City's new Official Plan permits 'warehousing' on the subject property in its land-use policies, however the new OP has yet to be approved by the Ministry and thus is not in full force and effect. An application to rezone the property to permit warehousing can be circulated, with comments provided to the applicant, but will be put on hold until such time as the new OP is in full force and effect, thus allowing the rezoning application to advance to the City's Planning Committee.

South Nepean Secondary Plan (Area 10) will likely not be in effect when the new Official Plan is adopted, however the plan does outline Principles for Design and Development for properties in proximity to Highway 416 to enhance buildings that are visible from the highway (Section 3.0): https://ottawa.ca/en/planning-development-and-construction/official-plan-and-master-plans/official-plan/volume-2a-secondary-plans/former-nepean/south-nepean-urban-area/areas-9-and-10#section-3-0-urban-design-policies

There also appears to be a reserve along the eastern boundary of the property adjacent to Citigate Drive which would need to be removed with a Lifting of 30cm Reserve application with an associated Site Plan Control application prior to site plan registration.

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It should be noted that the decision was made to approve the new Official Plan on November 4th, 2022. As also stated above, the South Nepean Secondary Plan (Area 10) is not in effect as of the date of this report. Nonetheless, this project is aligned with the goals of the Official plan, and is exactly the type of desired development described under the Economic goals of the Strategic Directions Section (2.2.2):

8) Protect locations for activities related to goods movement including freight, storage and logistics Major goods movement facilities and corridors that support strategic freight, storage and logistics locations shall be protected for the long term. Land in strategic locations with proximity and access to provincial 400 series highways is required in both the urban and rural areas to accommodate industrial, warehousing and logistic type uses. These types of uses need larger separation distances from residential uses and require access to a highway interchange. Likewise, new development proposed on adjacent lands to existing or planned corridors and transportation facilities should be supportive of, and not conflict with, the long-term purposes of the corridor by mitigating or minimizing negative impacts. These sites should be protected for this use provided they are not on lands designated Agricultural Resource Area.

Context Plan:



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The site is adjacent to the 416 corridor and is surrounded on all sides by sites either undeveloped or underdevelopment. There are no residential properties in the vicinity. The most notable development in the area is the Amazon facility several hundred meters to the north.



You can see from **View 01** (above) that Citigate Drive itself is under development. The steep slope of the site up towards the highway beyond is also apparent in this image.



View 02 (above) shows the visibility of the site from the northbound side of the 416. The earthen berm and existing vegetation block direct views of the site. Because the site slopes down beyond the berm, even in the winter (with the vegetation reduced) views of the site will be minimal, and it is likely only the topmost portion of Building B will be visible at all.

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Section 2 – Design Proposal

Massing and Scale – The two shell industrial buildings, totaling approximately 322,700 SF of space, have been designed and positioned to maximize their area and to take full advantage of the difficult site on which they are to be built – refer to the overall site plan and grading plans (Appendix A, pages 3; 6-7). These buildings are to scale with other industrial developments of this type constructed throughout the city of Ottawa, and make use of similar materials (primarily insulated metal panels). The site itself is remote from residential developments and is naturally obscured from view by the topography. Surrounding buildings will be of a similar type and scale when the Citigate business park is fully constructed and developed.

Building Design — The two shell industrial buildings have been designed in accordance with Rosefellow's sleek minimalist aesthetic, which utilizes dark and neutral colours and subtle detailing to give the buildings gravitas. The long façade facing the street will be broken up at the office areas with a change in colour and the introduction of large areas of glass — please refer to the conceptual renderings (Appendix A, pages 1-2). This helps to communicate to visitors where the main entrances are. The walls are primarily designed to be built from insulated metal panels with clerestory windows high up to allow natural light deep into the industrial spaces (see the elevations — Appendix A pages 4-5). A road runs around the site with two entrances for truck traffic (one per building). Automobile traffic can be accommodated at either entrance.

Sustainability – The building designs meet current energy codes and green initiatives with the following sustainable design strategies:

- 1) Light coloured roof to reduce the heat island effect.
- 2) High R-Value walls and roof.
- 3) Tree plantings to create shade in the parking lots.
- 4) Bicycle storage.
- 5) Outdoor amenity areas.
- 6) Full accessibility per code.
- 7) Roof storm water control.

Signatures

Architect:	Date:
Owner:	Date:

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Appendix A

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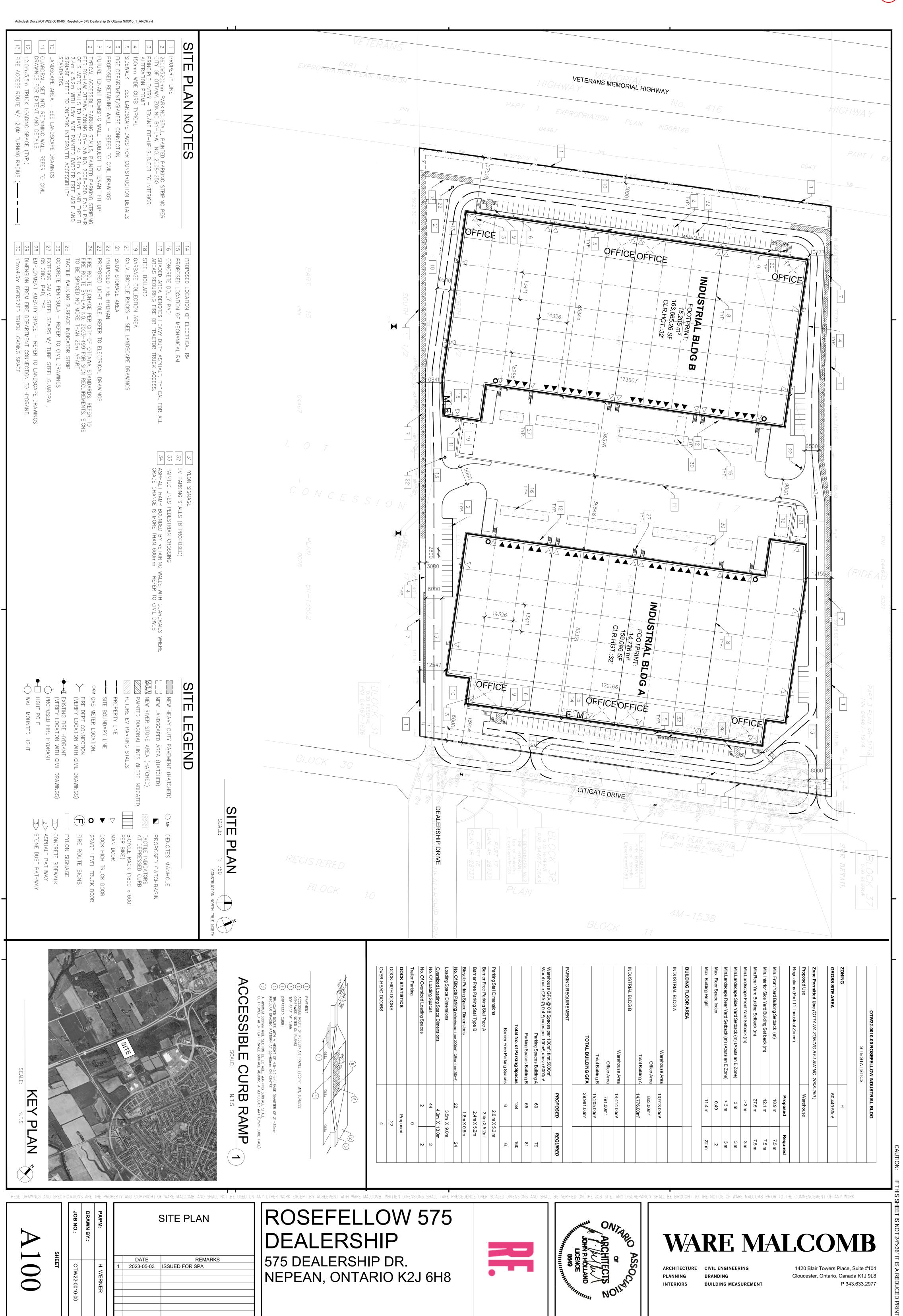
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