

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

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TO:	Vancouver City Council
FROM:	The General Manager of Engineering Services
SUBJECT:	6168 East Boulevard – Proposed Closure of a Portion of Street to Accommodate Heritage Building Facade Encroachments

RECOMMENDATION

- A. THAT Council authorize the Director of Legal Services to apply and raise title in the name of the City of Vancouver to the portion of East Boulevard that contains the encroachments of the existing building façade at 6168 East Boulevard (the "Road"), the said portion being shown on a reduced copy of a Reference Plan attached as Appendix A.
- B. THAT all that volumetric portion of Road included within the heavy outline and illustrated isometrically on a plan of survey, a reduced copy of which is attached as Appendix B, be closed, stopped-up and that an easement be granted to the owner of abutting [PID: 029-909-481] Lot 1 Block 2 District Lot 526 Group 1 New Westminster District Plan EPP63644 ("Lot 1") to contain the portions of the existing building façade which encroach onto the Road, to the satisfaction of the Director of Legal Services.
- C. THAT the fees for the document preparation, registration and use of the easement referred to in Recommendation B are to be in accordance with those prescribed under the Encroachment By-law.
- D. THAT the Director of Legal Services be authorized to execute all documents and plans required.

REPORT SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to obtain Council authority to close and stop-up an encroached upon portion of Road and to grant an easement to contain the encroaching elements of the building façade located at 6168 East Boulevard.

COUNCIL AUTHORITY/PREVIOUS DECISIONS

The authority for closing and stopping-up of streets and lanes is set out in Section 291 of the Vancouver Charter.

The provisions of the Vancouver Charter with respect to the raising of title to the street and the granting of a volumetric easement to contain encroachments are used from time to time to validate heritage building encroachments.

On July 26, 2016, Council enacted the By-law to designate the west façade of the heritage building at 6168 East Boulevard as protected heritage property.

CITY MANAGER'S/GENERAL MANAGER'S COMMENTS

The General Manager of Engineering Services recommends approval of the foregoing.

REPORT

Background/Context

In accordance with Development Permit No. DE419324 (issued September, 2016), Lot 1 is being developed with a five storey mixed-use building, consisting of one commercial retail unit at grade and a total of twenty residential dwelling units. Parking will be provided underground (one level) and on the main floor of the building, accessed from the adjacent lane. The development includes the retention of the two storey heritage building façade (known as "Kirkland's Metal Shop"). The Policy Report (Development and Building – RTS11515) for the designation of the west façade of the heritage building was approved by Council at its meeting of July 19, 2016.

The heritage façade encroachments onto the Road consist of the four decorative column architectural elements, the window sills and the main floor cornice/overhang. The extent of the encroachments are shown in Appendix C (B.C. Land Surveyor's Certificate of Location), and drawings and a photograph of the façade are shown in Appendix D.

The owner intends to subdivide Lot 1 by Strata Plan, and in accordance with the Strata Property Act, the Strata Corporation must establish control over the portion of Road affected by the building encroachments. To accomplish this, the volumetric portion of Road containing the encroachments must be closed and stopped-up, and an easement must be granted in favour of the Strata Corporation. It is also necessary to raise title for the portion of Road that is encroached upon.

The Road was dedicated by the deposit of Plan 1173 in 1906.

Strategic Analysis

The retention and designation of the two storey heritage building façade was a condition of development permit approval, and the heritage designation has been approved by Council.

Council authority is required to close and stop-up the encroached upon portion of Road, and to authorize registration of a volumetric easement over the portion of Road described in Recommendation B. Recommendation A seeks authority to raise title to the encroached upon portion of Road.

The granting of the easement allows for the retention of the encroaching heritage building façade elements, and enables strata subdivision of the building.

Implications/Related Issues/Risk

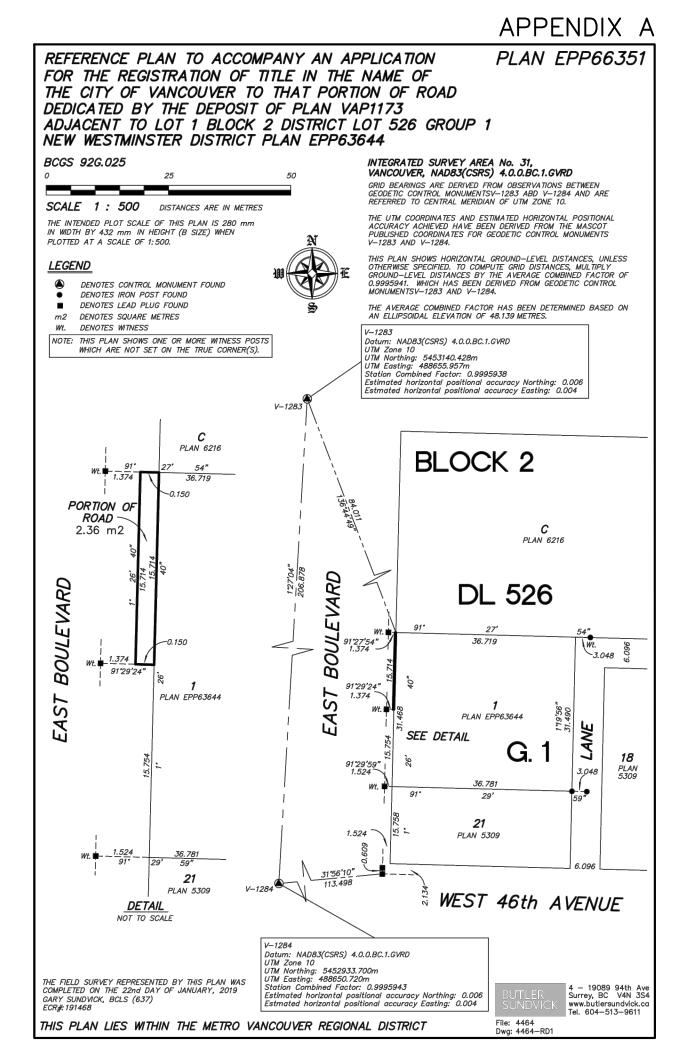
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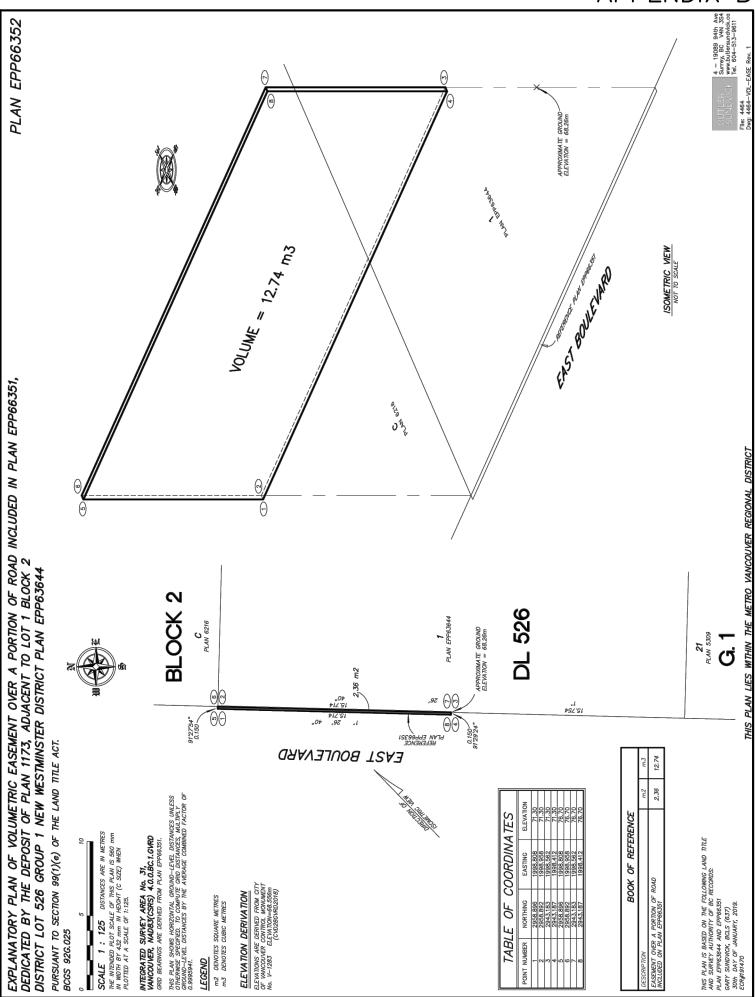
Fees will be charged in accordance with the Encroachment By-law, and will consist of a fee of \$4,728.74 for the granting of an easement over the portion of Road to accommodate the building façade encroachments. Since this is a designated heritage property, the encroachments will not be subject to an annual charge.

CONCLUSION

The General Manager of Engineering Services recommends approval of the Recommendations contained in this report.

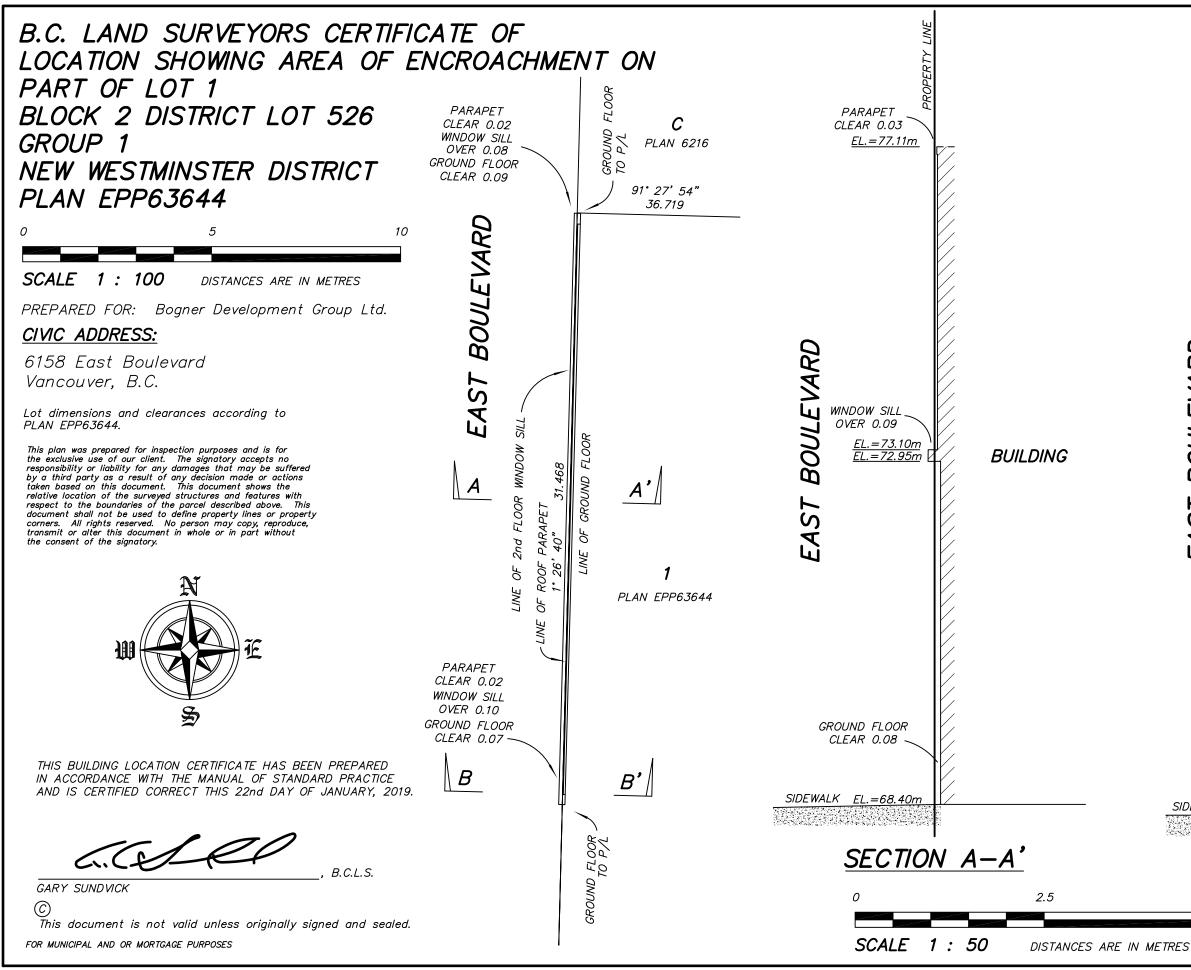
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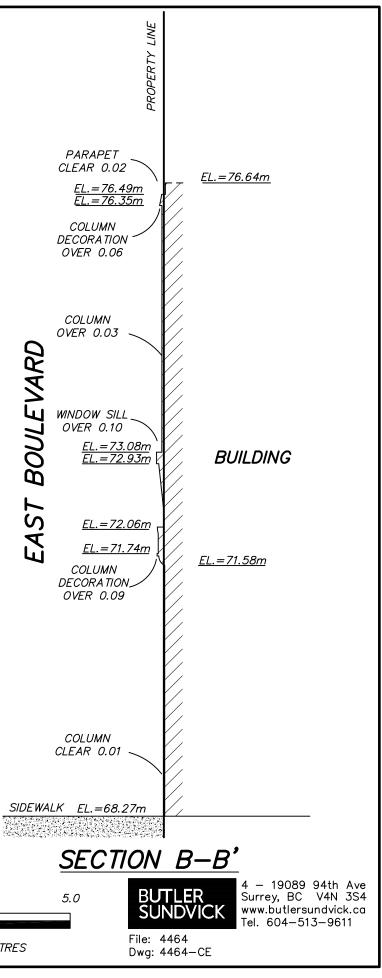




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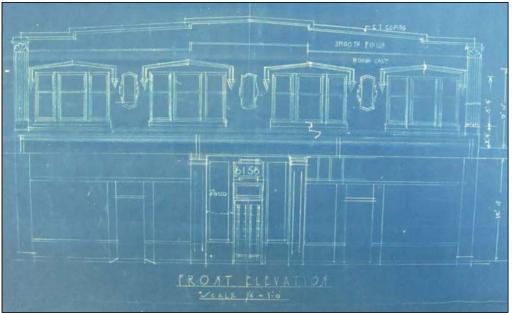


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<u>Photo:</u> West Façade of Kirkland's Metal Shop

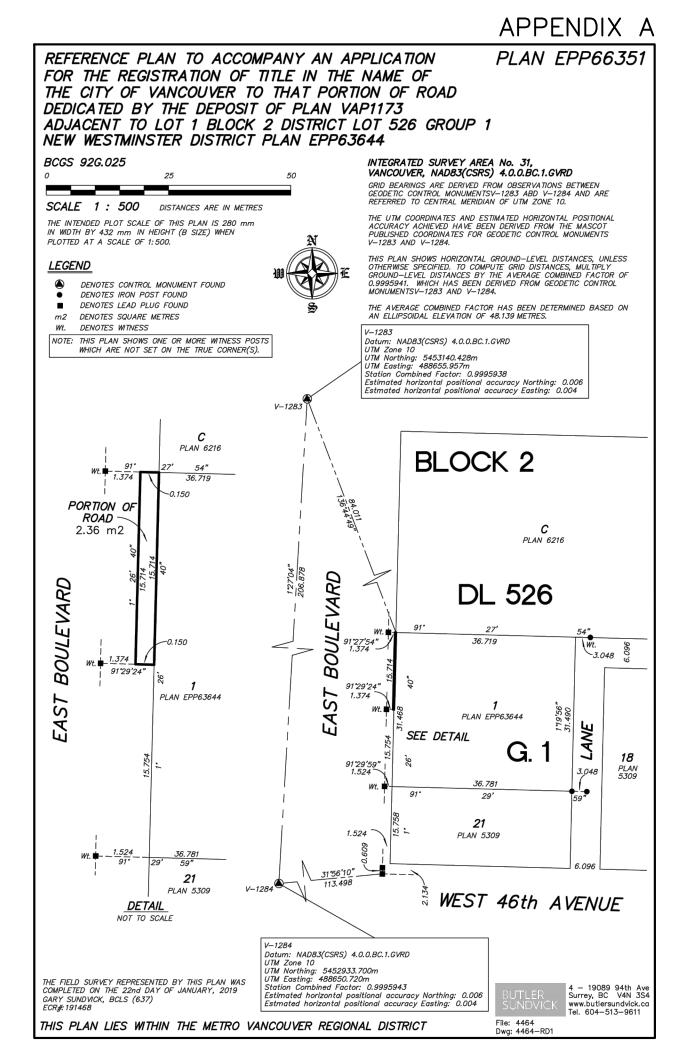


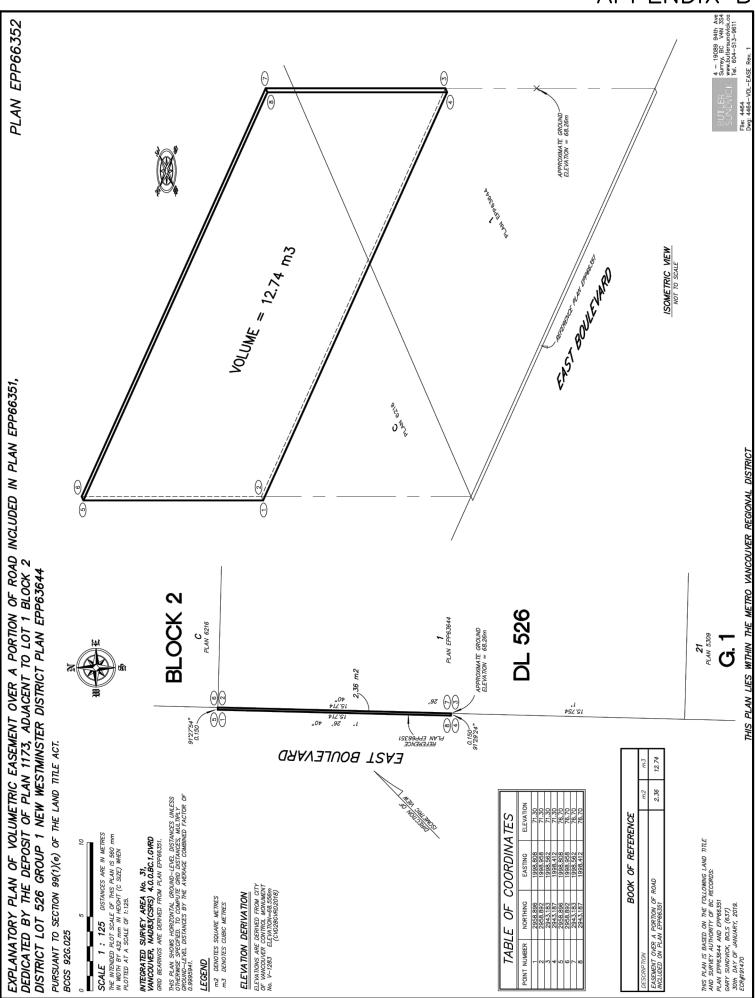


<u>Diagram:</u> Original Front Elevation Drawing (circa 1930)

Rendering: Looking South-East From East Boulevard

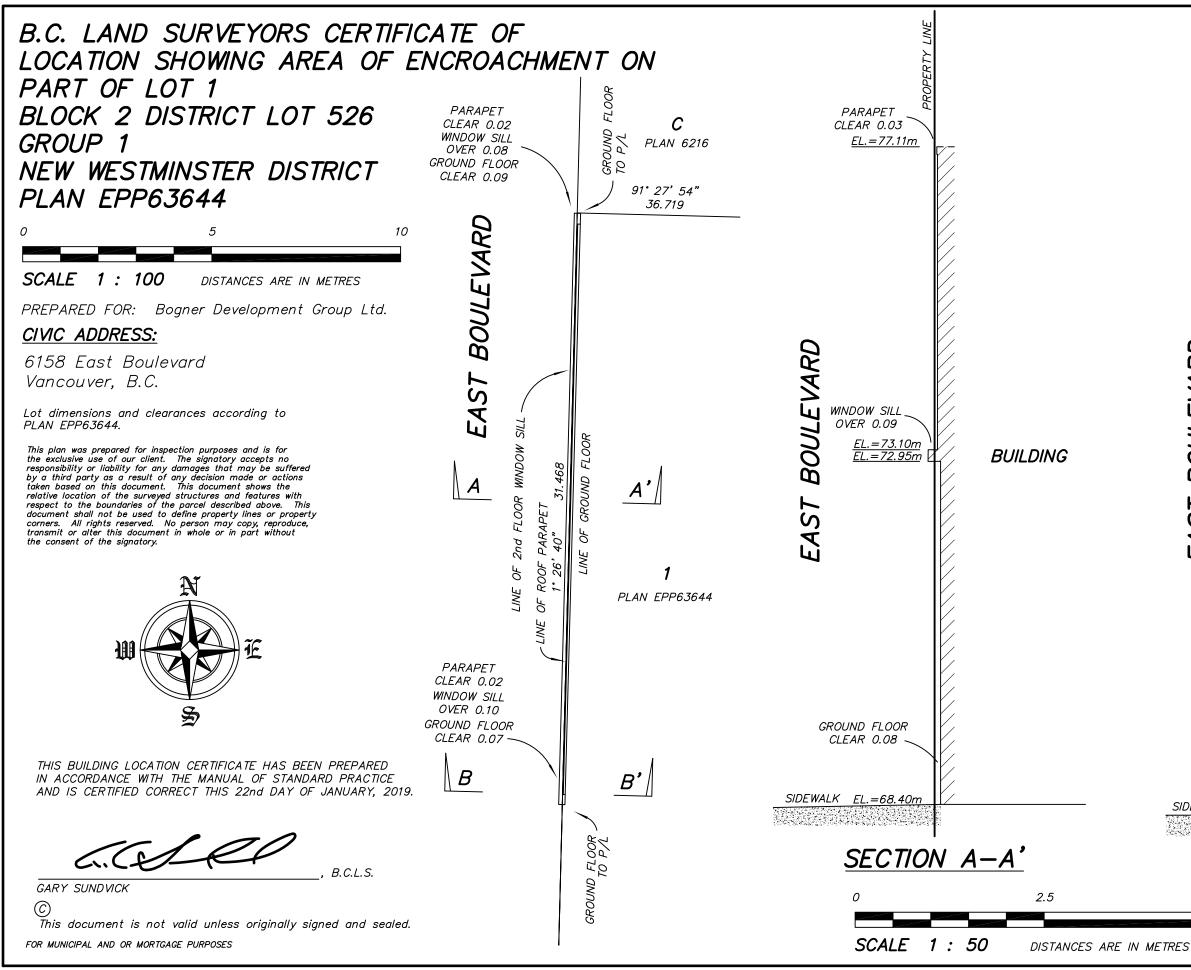


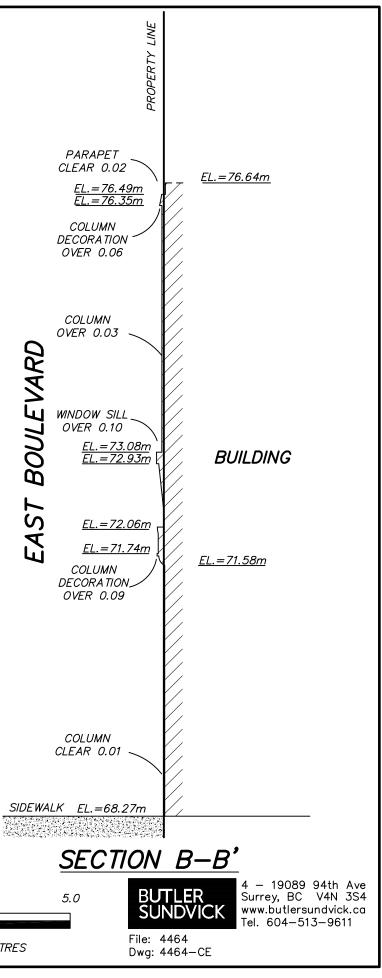




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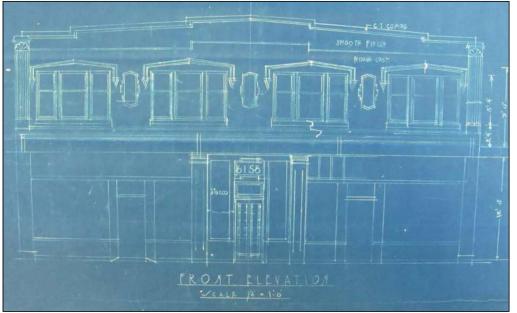


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