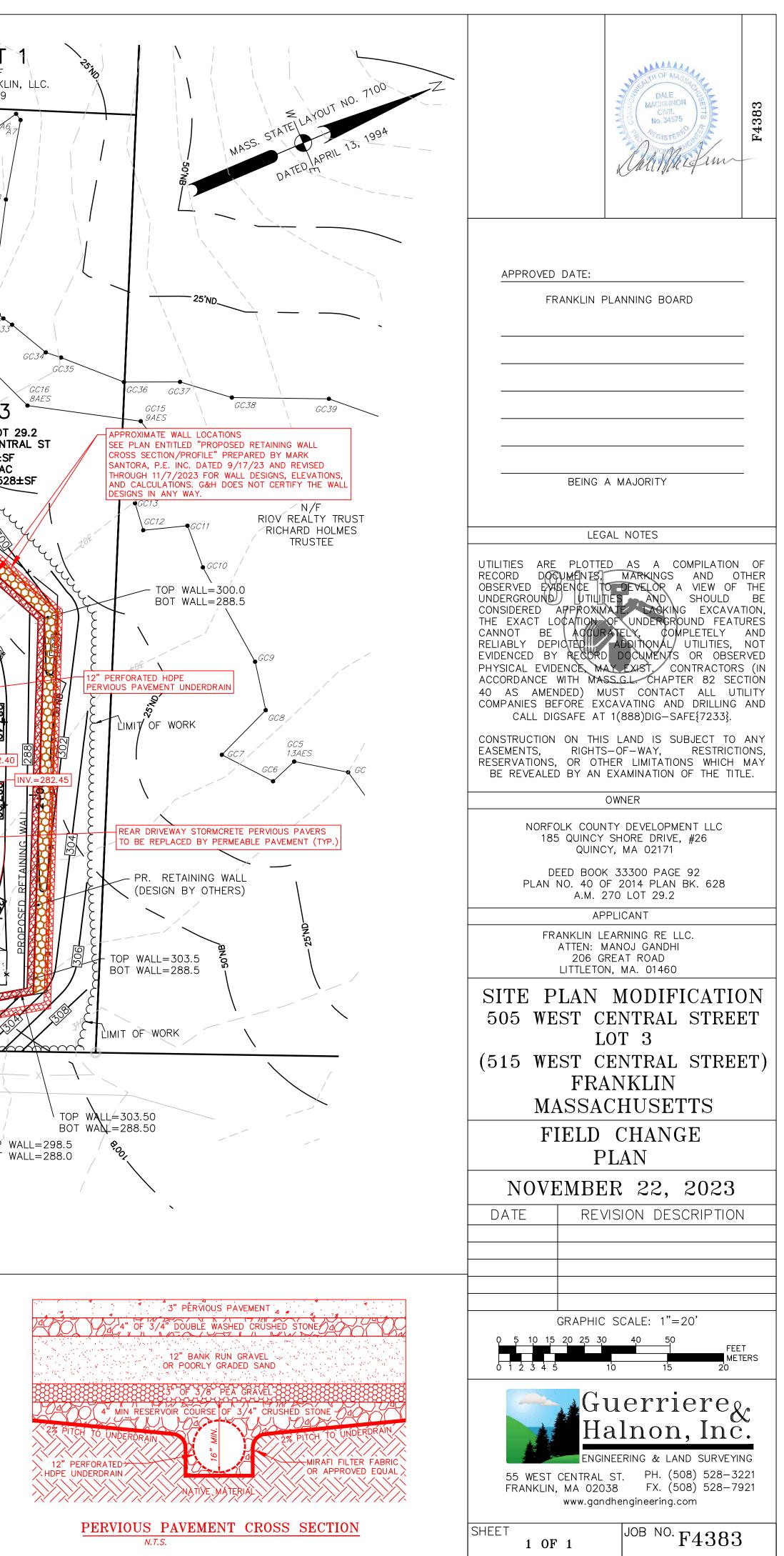
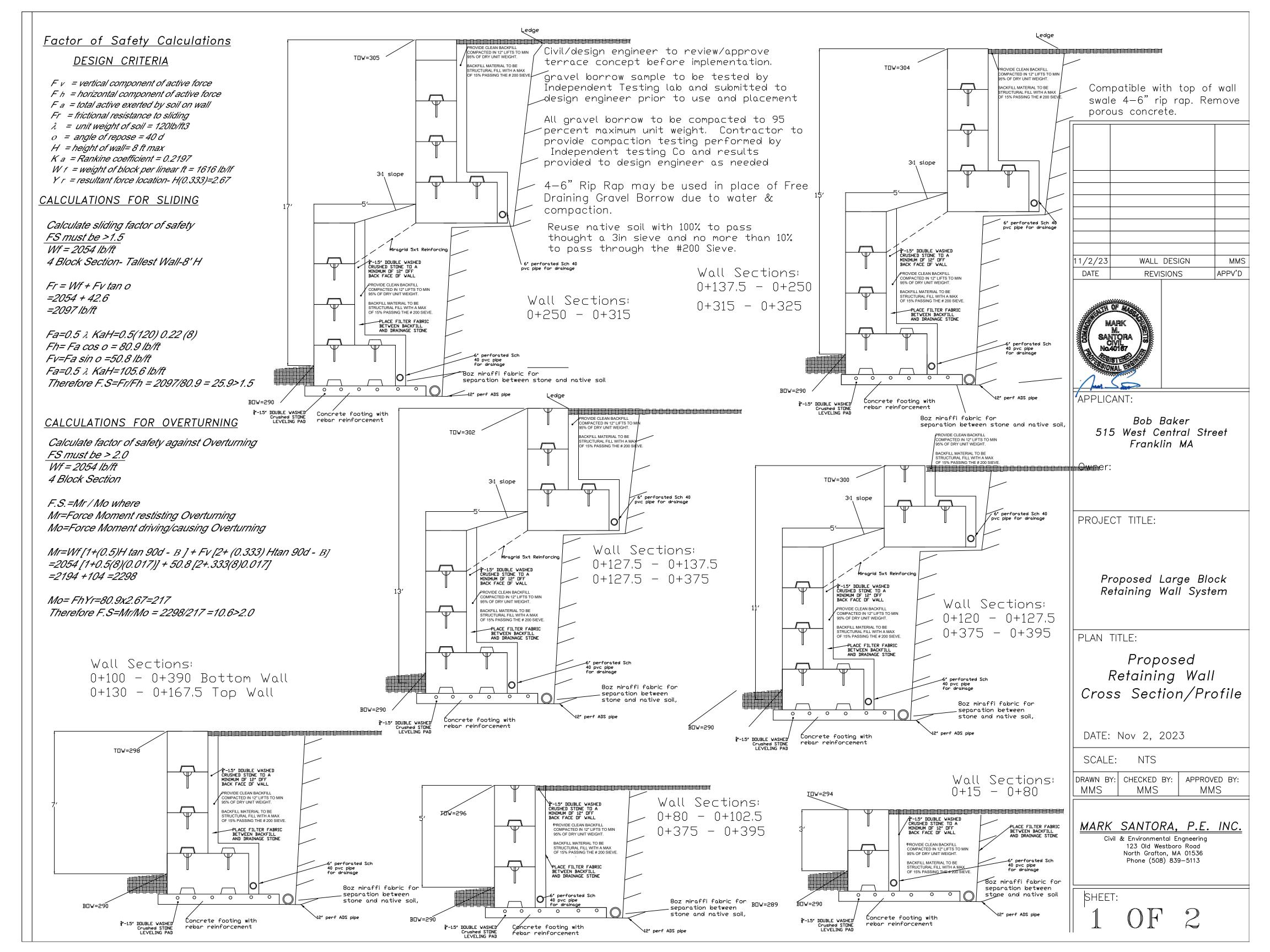
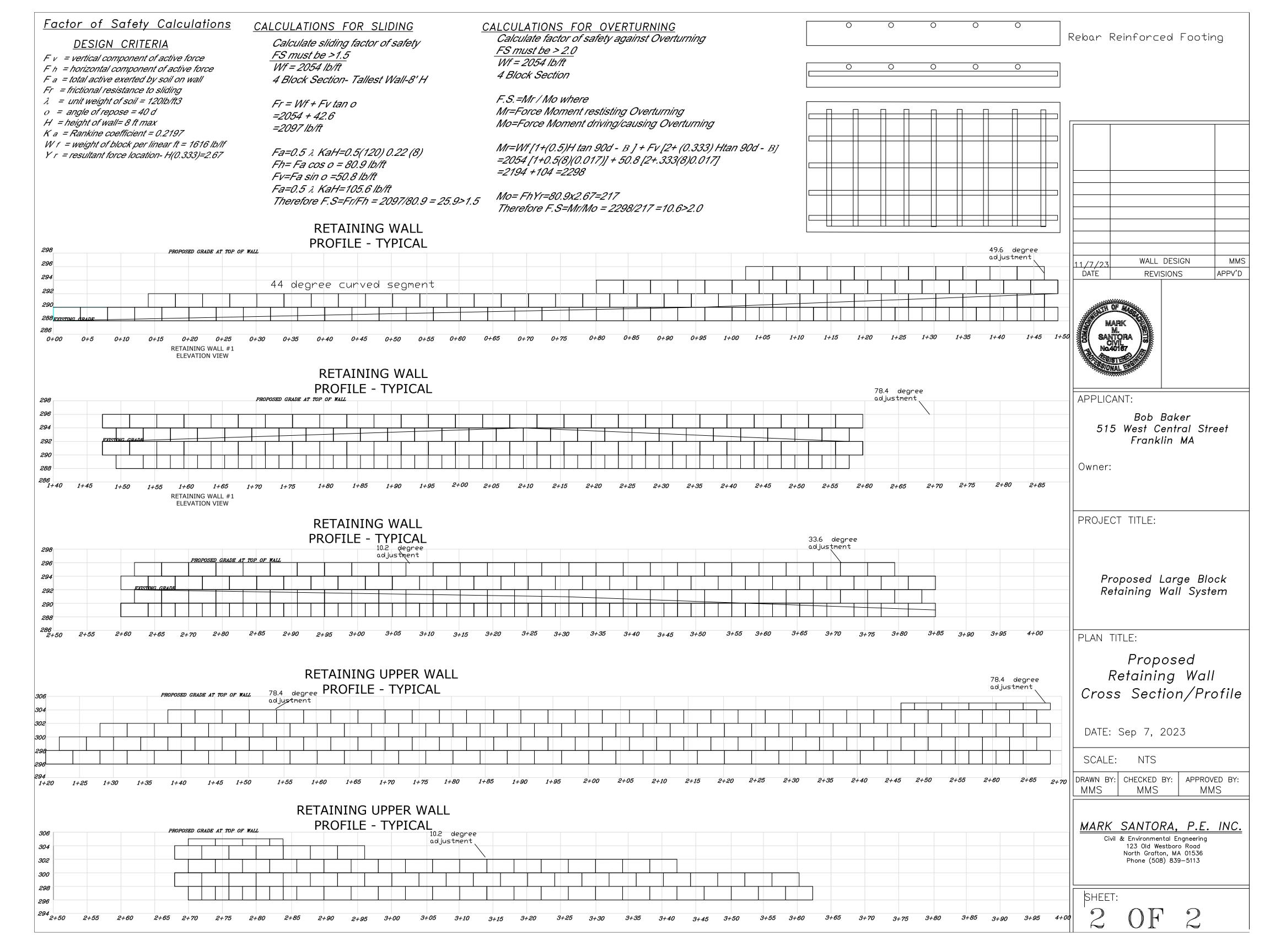


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December 12, 2023

Franklin Planning Board 355 East Central Street Franklin, MA 02038

RE: Request for Field Change 515 West Central Street, Franklin, MA

Dear Members of the Board:

On behalf of our client, Franklin Learning RE LLC, we are formally requesting a field change to allow for the installation of permeable pavement in place of the previously proposed Stormcrete pervious pavers on the north side of the building. Due to the presence of ledge and high groundwater, installation of an underdrain is proposed. The proposed changes are shown in red on the plan and the recently approved field changes addressing utility conflicts and a proposed monument sign are shown in blue.

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In addition, the proposed retaining wall has been designed, and its configuration varies slightly from the wall shown on the endorsed site plans, which was shown in a general manner pending full design. The proposed wall is a terraced design as prepared by Mark Santora, P.E. Inc. Installation of a subdrain 4' below the wall is proposed to intercept groundwater entering the site and will connect to DMH #20-5.

Thank you in advance for your consideration and we look forward to meeting with the Board at the next available meeting. Should you have any further questions or require additional information, please contact our office.

Sincerely, Guerriere & Halnon, Inc.

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DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

DATE:	December 13, 2023
то:	Franklin Planning Board
FROM:	Department of Planning and Community Development
RE:	<b>515 West Central Street</b> Field Change

The Applicant has requested the following field changes:

- 1. To allow for the installation of permeable pavement in place of the previously proposed Stormcrete pervious pavers north of the building.
- 2. Slight changes to the retaining wall plans are provided.



Subject:	515 West Central Field Changes		
From:	Matt Crowley		
Cc:	Amy Love, Mike Maglio		
To:	Ms. Breeka Lí Goodlander Mr. Gregory Rondeau		
Date:	December 13, 2023	Job No.:	10520.07

BETA has reviewed proposed field change documents for the project located at 515 West Central Street in Franklin, MA and offers the following comments:

- The proposed pervious pavement detail is generally consistent with the Stormwater Handbook. Comments specific to the porous pavement are as follows:
  - The designer should confirm the proposed porous pavement thickness of 3" is suitable to support waste collection vehicle and fire apparatus loads. Porous pavement has a lower load-bearing capacity than conventional pavement.
  - The bottom of the reservoir course should be flat, and it is recommended to raise the subdrain from the reservoir bottom to promote recharge when groundwater levels stabilize or are lower during the dry season.
  - The Operation and Maintenance Plan should be updated to reference the porous pavement and include specific maintenance requirements (e.g. power washing and vacuum sweeping). The approved O&M includes proprietary documentation for the porous concrete that is no longer applicable.
- Subdrains from the porous pavement area will be directed to the existing infiltration basin near the front of Lot 2 (Wendy's). If the proposed modification is approved, the existing basin should be monitored during dry periods to ensure a permanent pool is not created. If the storage volume of the pond is affected, additional calculations or corrective measures may be required to ensure the site remains in compliance with the approved stormwater objectives.
- BETA did not perform a detailed review of all stormwater documentation; however, the updated HydroCAD model input was noted to be consistent with the approved 2021 model, except for the proposed cover type change for the porous pavement area. While the stormwater objectives of the approved project are still anticipated to be met, the designer should ensure summary tables are fully representative of the HydroCAD output and the narrative and calculations are clear and consistent throughout each section.
- A letter dated November 8, 2023, from Mark Santora, PE, (the Engineer of Record (EOR)) has been provided in response to BETA's limited draft retaining wall design comments. The EOR has indicated that comments have been satisfactorily been addressed and BETA defers final structural design and review to the EOR and permit granting authority.
- It is BETA's understanding that the critical path for construction is the proposed retaining wall. The Commission and Board may choose to act on this aspect of the project alone at their discretion.

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November 8, 2023

Mr. Matthew Crowley PE Senior Project Manager BETA Group, Inc. 315 Norwood Park South, 2nd Floor Norwood, MA 02062

## Subject: 515 Central Street, Franklin MA – Retaining Wall Design Comments

In response to your comments in red on the above referenced Retaining Wall Design Plan dated September 26<sup>th</sup>, 2023, I offer the following:

Phi of 40 degrees is very high for backfill. Typical values are 32 or 34 degrees.

Acknowledged – The Phi value representing the angle of repose is high sand or other loose soil. The original design assumed a glacial till was behind the wall,. After a site visit it was apparent that the material behind the wall is stable rock. As a result we feel that 40degrees is a representative Phi Value.

These tiered walls are close enough that the lower wall needs to be designed for surcharge loading. To avoid surcharge loading, the upper wall needs a setback of twice the height of the lower wall.

Acknowledged – At a site meeting in October with the Design Engineer of Record, Owner, Site Contractor & Large block manufacturer, it was observed that the material behind the proposed walls is predominantly stable bedrock. The wall designs have been modified to show the proposed upper tier to be installed on a shelf of stable bedrock. The site contractor has indicated that he would be able to shape the rock to accommodate the new design concept. As a result the upper walls weight will not surcharge to the lower wall. The overturning calculation doesn't appear to take into consideration the varying block depths.

Acknowledged – The overturning calculation does not consider the varying block depths however the calculation is conservative in that the lower block turned sideways provides additional stability due to the weight of the backfill soil on the section of the lower block that protrudes to the rear. The calculation assumes only the weight of the blocks as a resisting moment when in fact the soil on top of the lower block adds to the resisting force.

Additionally, pursuant to a suggestion made by the design engineer, we have added a 6' wide footing at the base of the lower wall that will extend the base another 2 feet. The extended base will double the weight of soil backfill increasing the resisting moment further. We also have added proposed geogrid tieing the top of the lower wall to the bottom of the upper wall.

As a result the factor of safety is against overturning is significantly higher than the calculated factor of safety of 10.6.

## Bearing capacity check?

The proposed upper wall is designed to bear on stable bedrock and the lower wall on a concrete footing which bears on stable bedrock. The bearing capacity of stable bedrock varies from 16,000 lbs per square foot to 32,000 lbs per square foot depending on the geology. The wall has no load other than its own weight and the weight of the backfill soil. The backfill soil was existing prior and will only be moved for construction. With no added loading and the high bearing capacity of the stable base, it is intuitively evident that the bearing capacity is sufficient.

These calculations appear to be identical to the calculations on Sheet 1.

Acknowledged –The calculations are the same, the walls have a maximum height of 8ft and the calculations are based on an 8ft wall. Some of the walls are less than 8ft and as such we have not provided analysis for lower heights as the calculations demonstrate adequacy up to the maximum reveal of 8ft. The calculations as provided do not take any credit for the geogrid, or the resisting weight of backfill soil and as such are conservative.

Thank you for your attention to our response to your comments above.

Sincerely

Mark Santora PE # 40167