

March 15, 2023

Mr. Tom Rich FD Rich Company 222 Sumer Street Stamford, CT 06901

Re: Delivery Circulation

128-136 Broad Street Proposed Development

Stamford, Connecticut SLR #141.13311.00012

Dear Mr. Rich,

At your request, SLR International Corporation (SLR) has reviewed the delivery circulation for the adjacent property at 118 Broad Street in Stamford, Connecticut, as it relates to the proposed development. Figures 1a to 5b, illustrate the existing and proposed conceptual vehicular paths for 26-, 30-, and 40-foot single-unit trucks. The figures were created using *Vehicle Tracking* (Autodesk) software package and minimum turning paths from the American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials (AASHTO) *A Policy on Geometric Design*. It is important to note that the vehicular paths shown can be considered conservative. Drivers, particularly delivery truck drivers, are typically more skilled than the *Vehicle Tracking* software. This is evident in the truck maneuvers observed today within the existing parking lot behind the proposed development.

Today, the deliveries for 118 Broad Street largely take place within the existing surface parking lot east of the 118 Broad Street property or on Gay Street. This parking lot experiences a significant amount of activity throughout the day. The existing delivery activity within the parking lot is very random and unorganized. A lot of the trucks park parallel to the Bedford Street Garage and then hand truck the items to the businesses. Very few trucks currently pull into the alley behind 118 Broad Street. Additionally, a lot of trucks currently use Gay Street to maneuver around the parking lot.

With the proposed development, all delivery routes for 118 Broad Street are now proposed to enter and exit through the private parking garage. Overall, the proposed delivery circulation will be self-contained, require less movements within the public streets, and conflict with less traffic and pedestrian activity.

## **Twenty-Six-Foot Garbage Truck**

**Figure 1a** illustrates the existing delivery circulation to the back of 118 Broad Street for a 26-foot single-unit (SU-26) truck. Today, trucks can head into the back of the property using the existing parking lot drive aisle located within the proposed development's property. Depending on if cars are parked behind the



building, smaller trucks either pull all the way into the property (as shown in Figure 1a) or they stop short and park within the drive aisle. After loading/unloading, trucks typically back north within the parking lot and then drive forward to Gay Street.

**Figure 1b** illustrates the proposed delivery circulation to the back of 118 Broad Street once the proposed development is constructed for a SU-26 truck. As shown, trucks will still be able to head into the back of the property through the proposed development's parking garage. After loading/unloading, SU-26 trucks can back north within the proposed development's proposed right-of-way and then drive forward through the parking garage and onto Gay Street. Note that AASHTO does not have a template for a SU-26 truck. To illustrate the conceptual vehicular paths of a SU-26 truck, the 30-foot single-unit (SU-30) truck dimensions from AASHTO were modified.

When comparing the two, the movements are considerably similar. With the proposed condition, the truck circulation will now happen within a private parking garage, which will have a lot less traffic and pedestrian activity. Additionally, it is proposed to install a series of three convex safety mirrors on the columns of the garage to help truck drivers maneuver.

#### Thirty-Foot Single Unit Truck – Head-in Access

**Figure 2a** illustrates the existing delivery circulation for a SU-30 truck heading into the back of 118 Broad Street. Today, trucks can head into the back of the property using the existing parking lot drive aisle located within the proposed development's property. After loading/unloading, trucks typically back east along the drive aisle until the driver has enough space to back north within the parking lot and then drive forward to Gay Street.

**Figure 2b** illustrates the proposed delivery circulation heading into the back of 118 Broad Street once the proposed development is constructed for a SU-30 truck. As shown, SU-30 trucks will still be able to head into the back of the property through the proposed development's parking garage. After loading/unloading, trucks can back east and then south within the parking garage to drive forward onto Gay Street.

When comparing the two, the movements are similar. Today, trucks back up to the north in the parking lot and under the proposed condition, trucks will have to back up to the south in the proposed parking garage. Under the proposed condition, trucks will likely not have to back up as far to have enough space to turn around; and as stated previously, the private parking garage will have a lot less conflicting traffic and pedestrian activity. Additionally, it is proposed to install a series of three convex safety mirrors on the columns of the garage to help truck drivers maneuver.

### Thirty-Foot Single Unit Truck – Back-in Access

**Figure 3a** illustrates the existing delivery circulation for a SU-30 truck backing into the rear of 118 Broad Street. Today, trucks must pull forward within the parking lot and then back into the rear of the property



using the existing parking lot drive aisle located on the proposed development's property. After loading/unloading, trucks then drive forward along the drive aisle and onto Gay Street.

**Figure 3b** illustrates the proposed delivery circulation backing into the rear of 118 Broad Street once the proposed development is constructed for a SU-30 truck. As shown, SU-30 trucks will be able to head into the proposed development's parking garage, then turn south in the parking garage to back into the rear of the property. After loading/unloading, trucks can drive forward through the parking garage and onto Gay Street. The Connecticut Department of Transportation (CTDOT) guidelines suggest using SU-30 trucks as the standard design vehicle for commercial driveways.

When comparing the two, the existing truck movements are similar. However, under the proposed condition, trucks will not be required to use Gay Street to turn around, instead they will have enough space in the parking garage to maneuver. Additionally, it is proposed to install a series of three convex safety mirrors on the columns of the garage to help truck drivers maneuver.

# <u>Forty-Foot Single Unit Truck – Head-in Access</u>

**Figure 4a** illustrates the existing delivery circulation for a 40-foot single-unit (SU-40) truck heading into the back of 118 Broad Street. Today, trucks can head into the back of the property using the existing parking lot drive aisle located within the proposed development's property. After loading/unloading, larger trucks back east along the drive aisle until the driver has enough space to back north within the parking lot, and then drive forward to Gay Street.

**Figure 4b** illustrates the proposed delivery circulation heading into the back of 118 Broad Street once the proposed development is constructed for a SU-40 truck. As shown, SU-40 trucks will still be able to head into the back of the property through the proposed development's parking garage. After loading/unloading, trucks can back east and then south within the parking garage to then drive forward onto Gay Street. Note that SU-40 trucks are not very common.

When comparing the two, the movements are similar. Today, trucks back up to the north in the parking lot and under the proposed condition, trucks will back up to the south in the parking garage. Under the proposed condition, trucks will likely not have to back up as far to have enough space to turn around; and as stated previously, the private parking garage will have a lot less conflicting traffic and pedestrian activity. Additionally, it is proposed to install a series of three convex safety mirrors on the columns of the garage to help truck drivers maneuver.

### Forty-Foot Single Unit Truck - Back-in Access

**Figure 5a** illustrates the existing delivery circulation for a SU-40 truck backing into the rear of 118 Broad Street. Today, trucks must pull forward within the parking lot and then back into the rear of the property using the existing parking lot drive aisle located on the proposed development's property. After loading/unloading, trucks then drive forward along the drive aisle and onto Gay Street.



**Figure 5b** illustrates the proposed delivery circulation backing into the rear of 118 Broad Street once the proposed development is constructed for a SU-40 truck. As shown, SU-40 trucks will be able to head into the proposed development's parking garage, then turn south in the parking garage to back into the rear of the property. After loading/unloading, trucks can drive forward through the parking garage and onto Gay Street.

When comparing the two, the existing truck movements are similar. However, under the proposed condition, trucks will not be required to use Gay Street to turn around, instead they will have enough space in the parking garage to maneuver. Additionally, it is proposed to install a series of three convex safety mirrors on the columns of the garage to help truck drivers maneuver.

We hope this report is useful to you and the adjacent property owner. If you have any questions or need anything further, please do not hesitate to contact either of the undersigned.

Sincerely,

**SLR International Corporation** 

David G. Sullivan, PE

U.S. Manager of Traffic & Transportation Planning

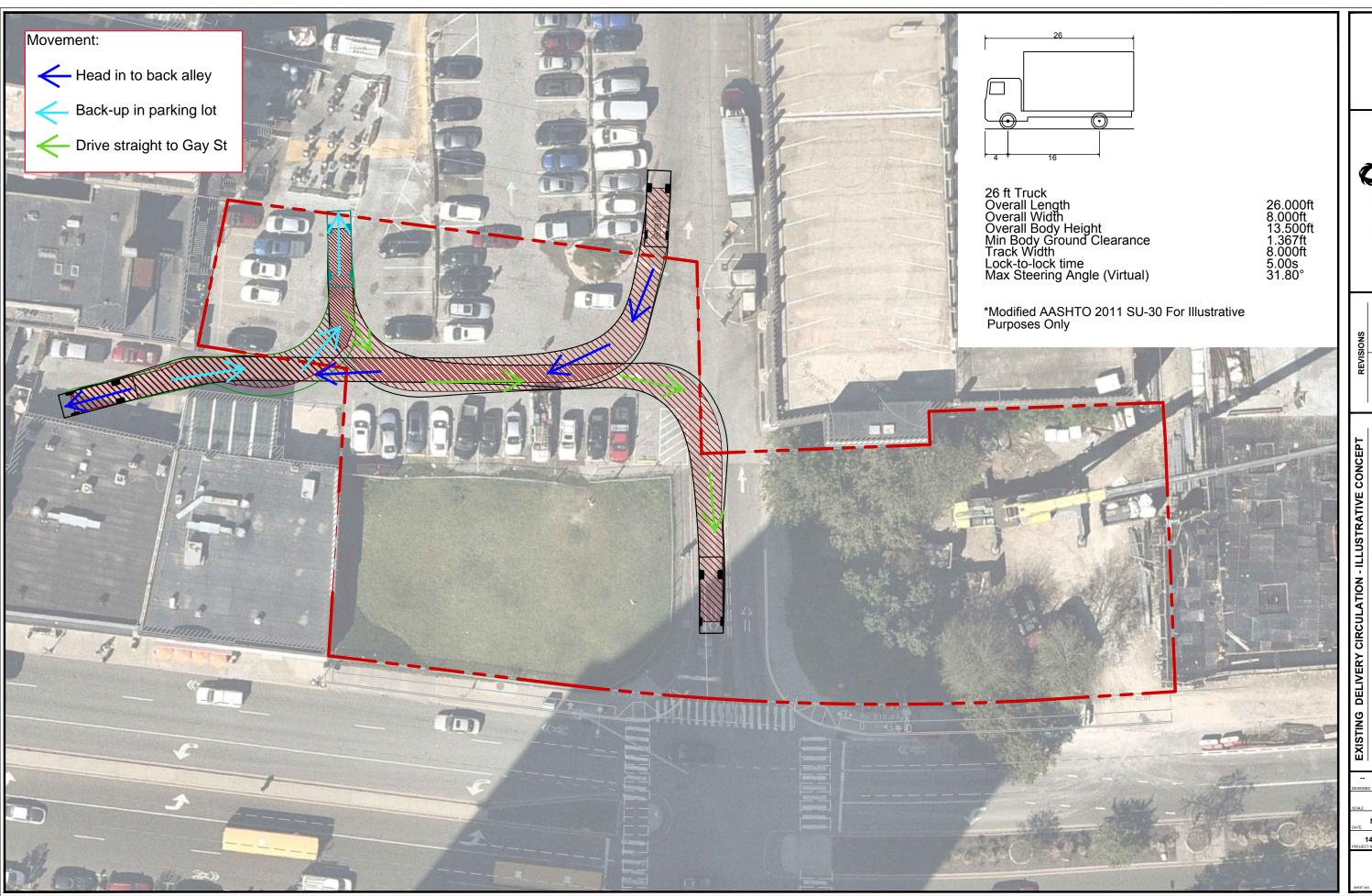
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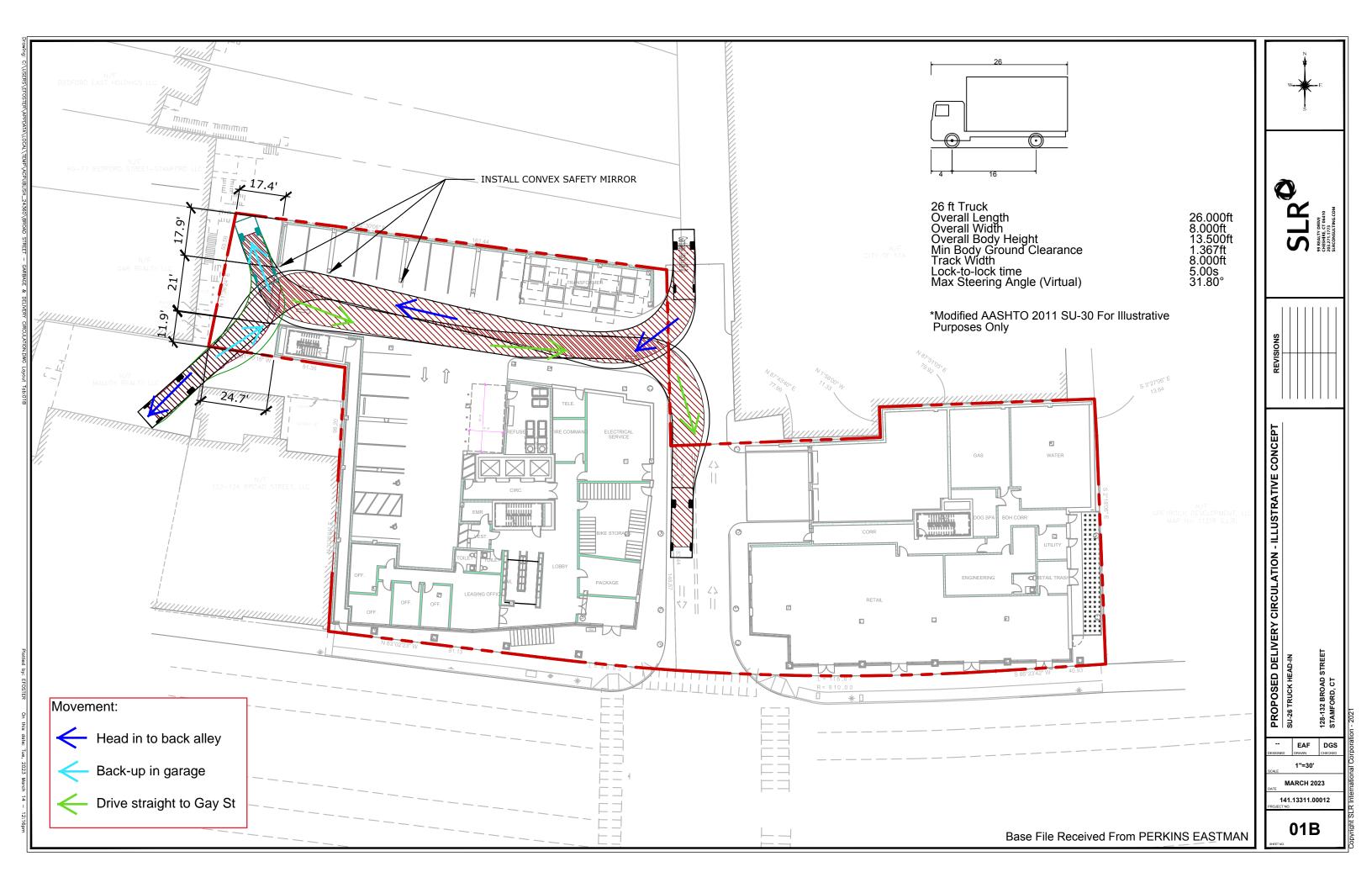
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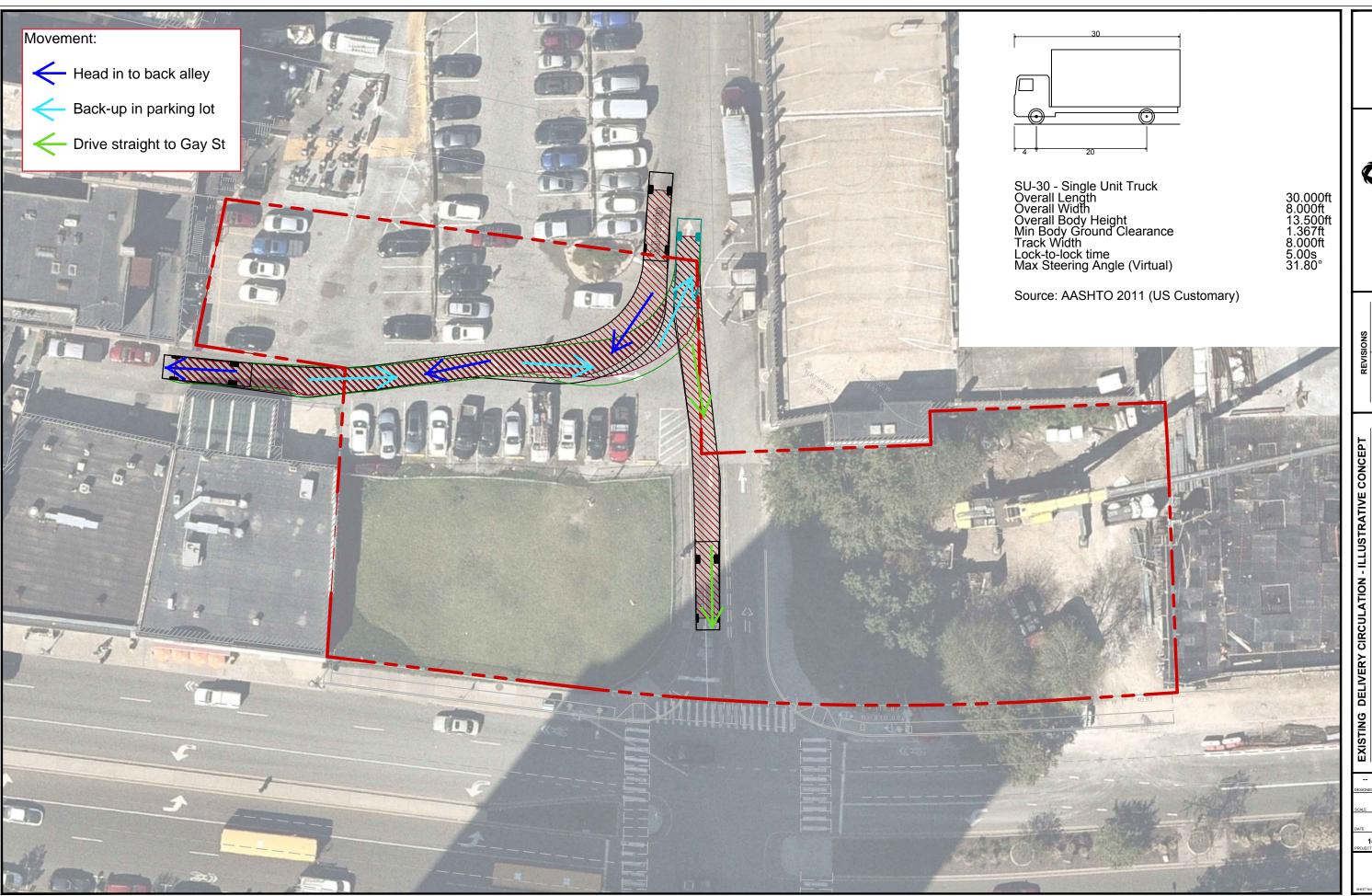
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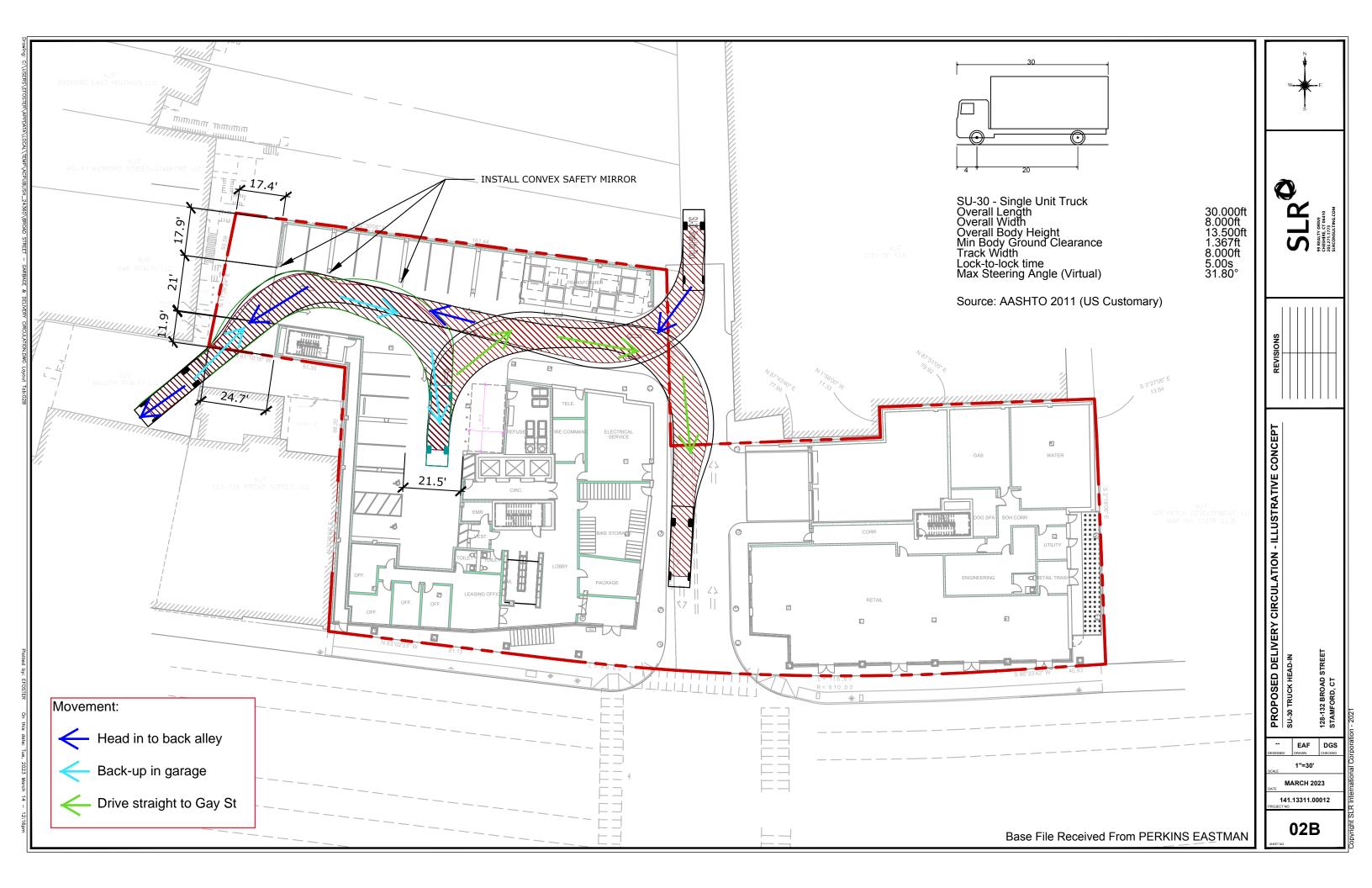


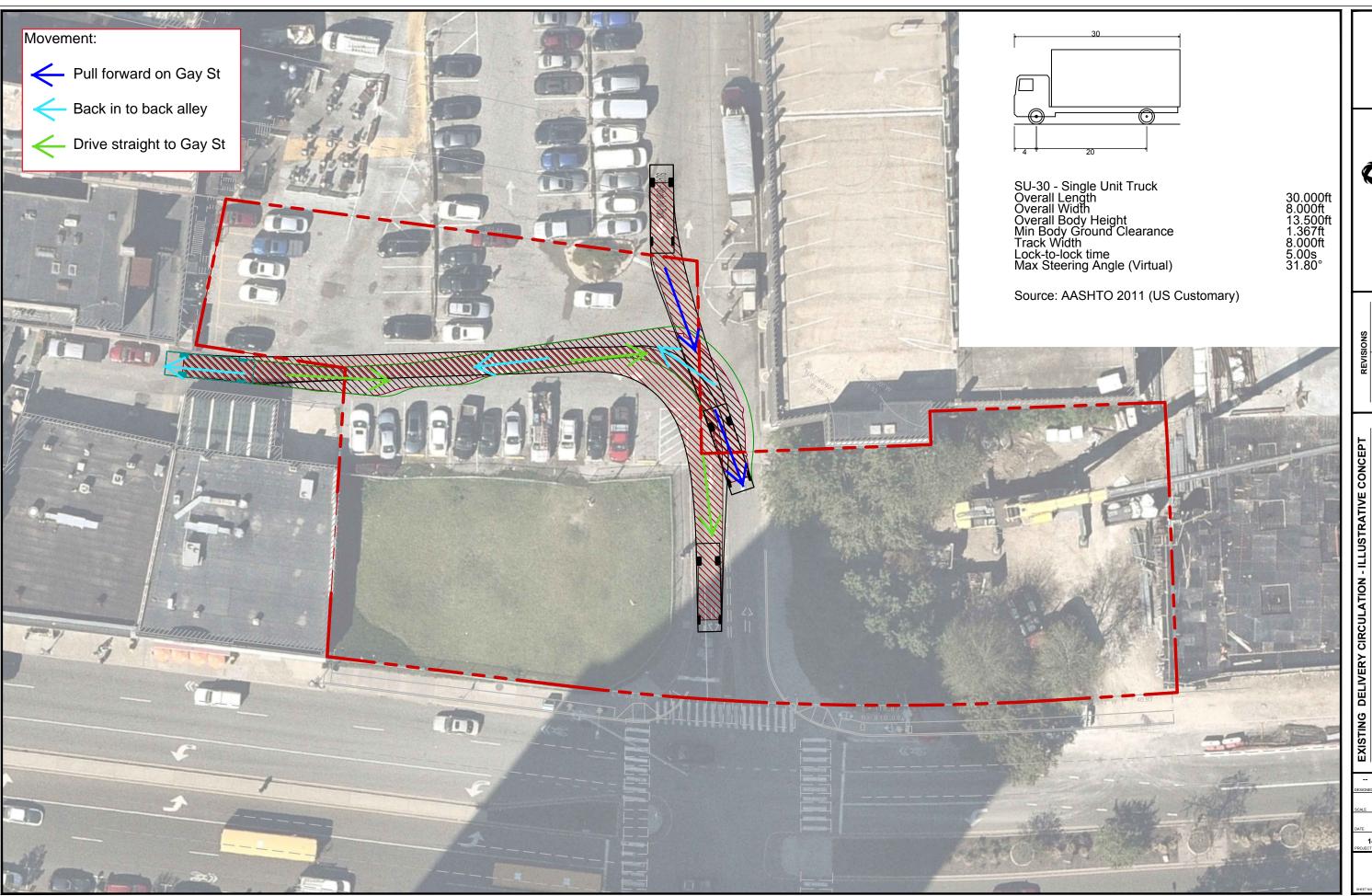
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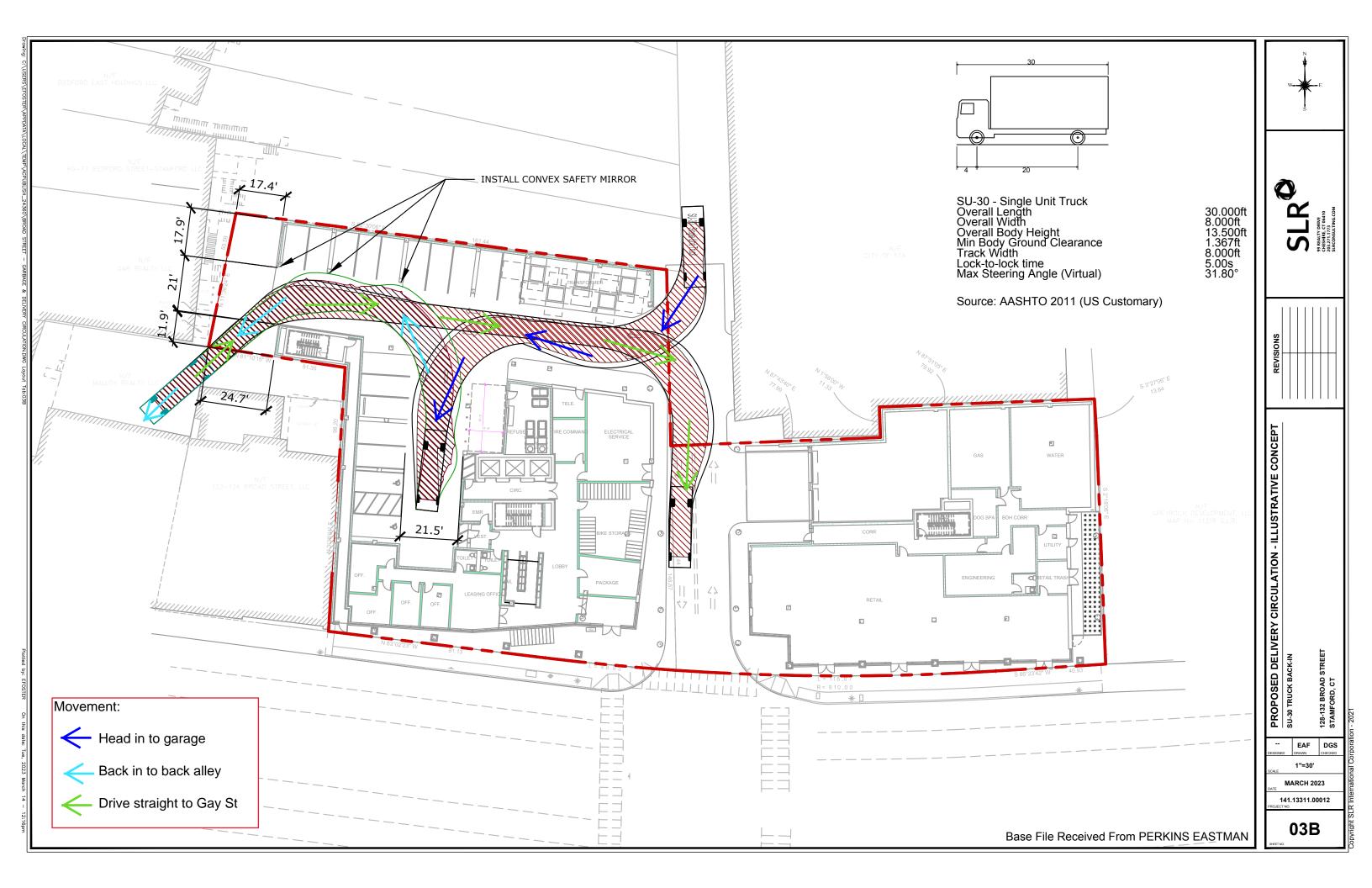
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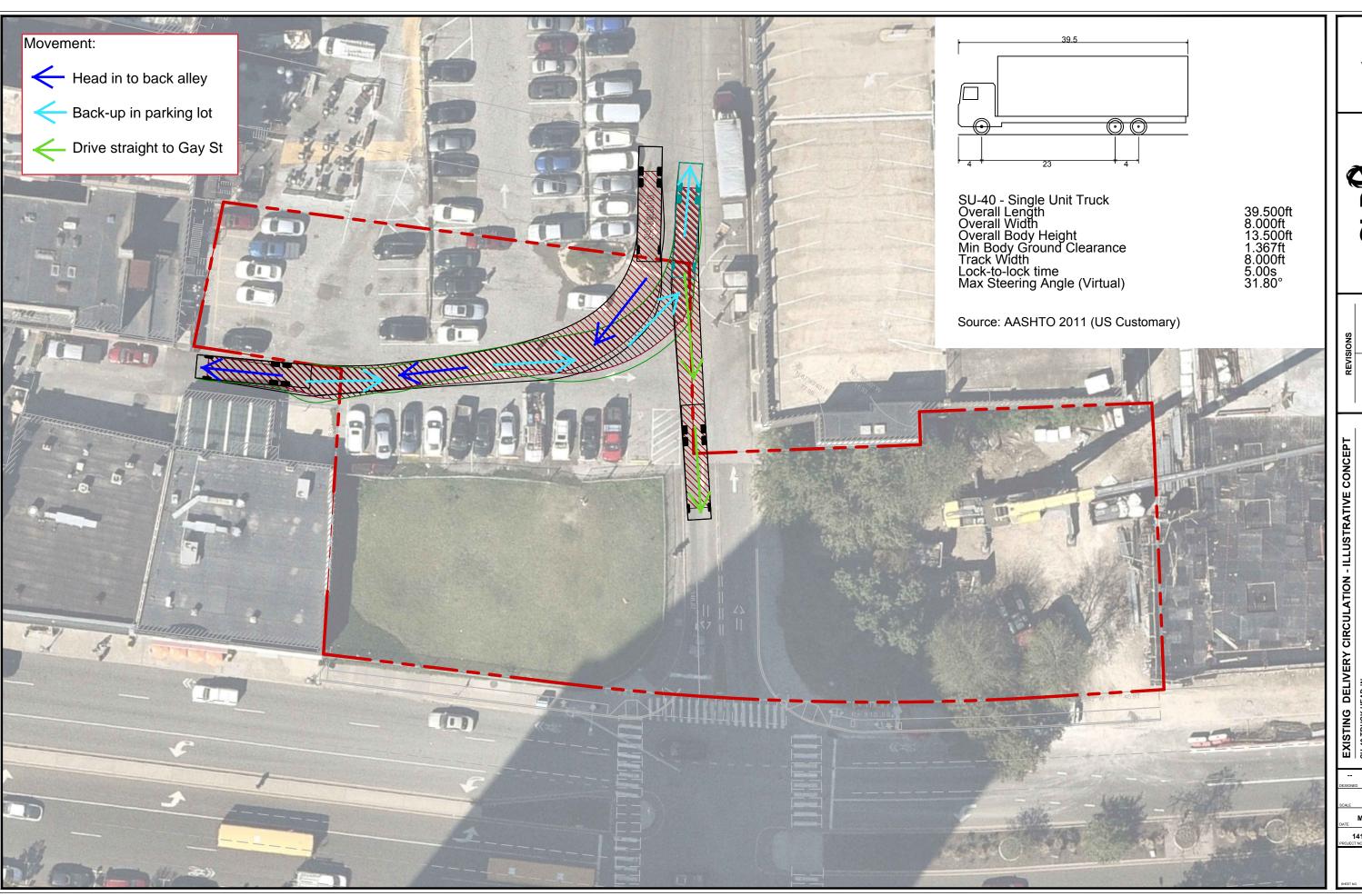
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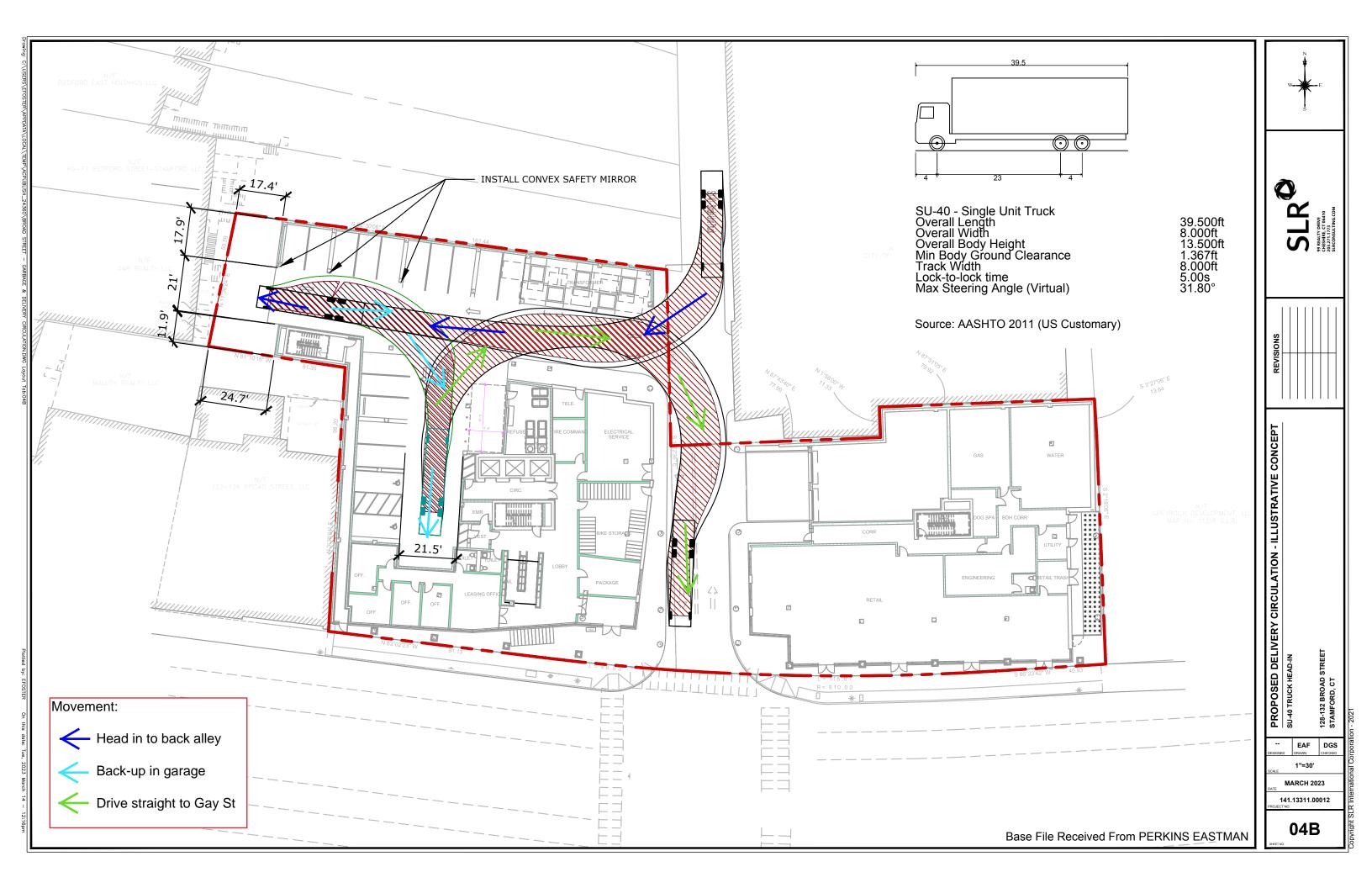
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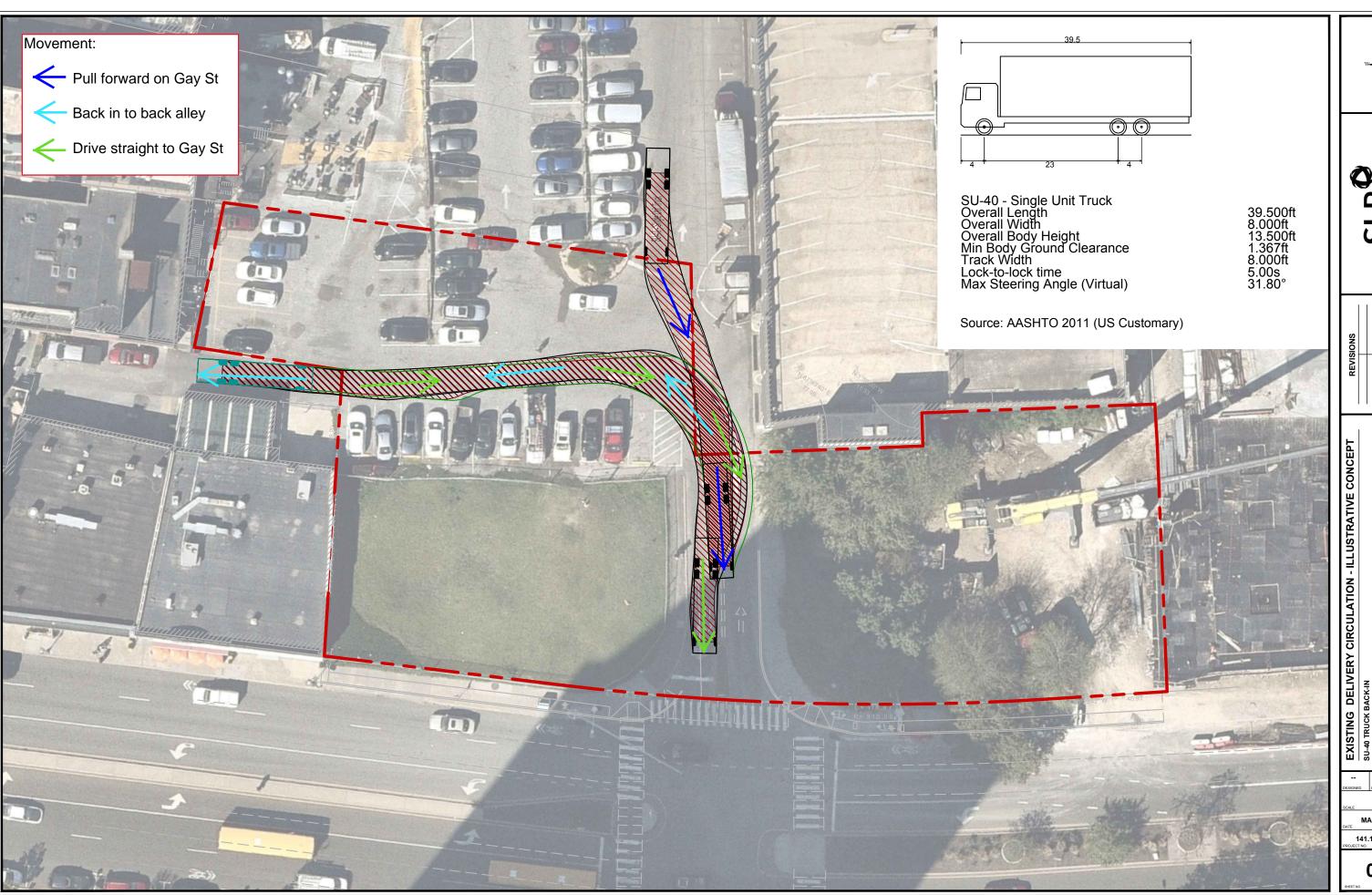
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