



CITY COUNCIL

Regular Meeting Agenda

I hereby notify you that the following items of business have been filed with this office and can be acted upon at the meeting of the City Council **Monday, April 13, 2026** at 6:30 PM.

City Clerk

Roll Call

Moment Of Silence - Pledge Of Allegiance

Reports Of Committee

Informational

1. **Zone Change Referral - 376-378 Main Street, IO from Residence C to Commercial P.**

Zone Change

2. **979 Dickinson Street (03910-0362) — From Residence A to Residence C.**

Petitions

3. **EVERSOURCE GAS - Forest Glen Road**

Orders

4. **Bond Order — MSBA School Projects**
5. **Bill of Prior Year - ITD - \$748.93**
6. **Bond Order to Pay for the Construction of a New East Springfield Branch Library**

Grants

7. **East Springfield Library Construction Grant - \$6,837,061 – Match Required**
8. **FY26 Municipal ADA Improvement Grant - No Match Required - \$250,000**

Resolution

9. **Supporting the establishment of the Springfield Community Impact and Stabilization Fund in connection with the Springfield Regional Justice Center Public-Private Partnership Lease**

Unfinished Business

10. **City Council Public Speak Out Pilot (01/12/2026)**
11. **Order Authorizing a Contract Term Over 3 Years for Food Service Management Company for The Springfield Public Schools (03/02/2026)**

To The City Council of the City of Springfield:
The undersigned respectfully petition your honorable body

to change the zoning of a portion of the property known as 376-378 Main Street, I.O. (08132-0097)
from Residence C to Commercial P.

Mailing Address:

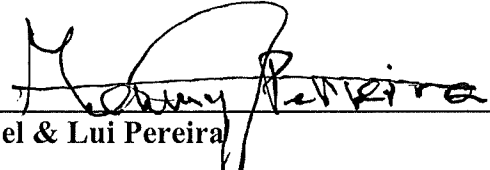
105 June Street
Worcester, MA 01602

376 Main Street, I.O.
Springfield, MA 01151

Owner:

Manuel & Lui Pereira

I hereby certify that I am the owner or acting
on behalf of the owner.

BY: 

Manuel & Lui Pereira

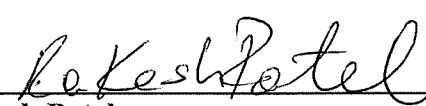
Mailing Address:

14 Patriot Ridge Road
Wilbraham, MA 01095

Petitioner:

Rakesh Patel

I hereby certify that I am the petitioner or
acting on behalf of the petitioner.

BY: 

Rakesh Patel

To The City Council of the City of Springfield:
The undersigned respectfully petition your honorable body

to change the zoning of a portion of the property known as 979 Dickinson Street (03910-0362)
from Residence A to Residence C.

Mailing Address:

979 Dickinson Street
Springfield, MA 01108

Owner & Petitioner:

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I hereby certify that I am the owner and
petitioner or acting on behalf of the owner and
petitioner.

BY: Maxine Bernstein
Maxine Bernstein, Temple President



Honorable Mayor and City Council
City of Springfield
City Hall
Court Street
Springfield, MA 01103

ATTN: Mr. Anthony Wilson, City Clerk

PROJECT NAME: Forest Glen – GSEP

Ladies & Gentlemen:

Eversource Gas of Massachusetts (EGMA) hereby requests that it be granted a location for and permission to install underground gas facilities within a section of the Forest Glen Rd neighborhoods (as seen in the attached plan). Work will extend to the following streets in varying degrees/durations:

<u>Street Name</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>
Park Drive	Town Line	Town Line
Colony Road	Park Drive	Town Line
Porter Lake Dam Road	Park Drive	Fountain Lake Road

This Project will introduce modernized high-density polyethylene gas infrastructure to the area, and retire aged cast iron gas infrastructure. All proposed work by EGMA will include such laterals and service connections as it may now or subsequently find necessary.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Matthew Nichols".

Matthew Nichols
Project Engineer
Eversource Gas of Massachusetts
2025 Roosevelt Avenue
Springfield, MA 01104
Cell: 781-490-3039
Email: matthew.nichols@eversource.com

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GENERAL NOTES:

- A.

IF ANY OF THE FOLLOWING OCCUR A DRAWING REVISION IS REQUIRED AND MUST BE APPROVED AND/OR STAMPED BY THE ENGINEER OF RECORD. CHANGES CAN BE APPROVED AND/OR STAMPED BY A PROJECT ENGINEER, BUT THE ENGINEER OF RECORD MUST BE INFORMED.
1.

IF THE TIE IN POINT MOVES TO A DIFFERENT SEGMENT OF PIPE THAN SHOWN.
2.

IF A CHANGE IN THE LOCATION OF VALVES IS REQUIRED.
3.

IF THERE IS ANY CHANGE TO WHAT IS SHOWN ON THE DRAWING WITHIN 50 FT OF A PRESSURE REGULATING STATION, DISTRICT REGULATOR, OR GATE STATION.
4.

IF A CHANGE IN PIPE SIZE, MATERIAL, OR WALL THICKNESS IS REQUIRED.
5.

ALTERNATE FITTINGS THAT ARE ACCEPTABLE FOR ANY TIE-IN DETAIL WILL BE CALLED OUT IN THE DRAWING. FITTING CHANGES NOT SHOWN AS ALTERNATIVES ON THE DRAWING WILL NEED TO FOLLOW THE DRAWING CHANGE PROCESS CONTAINED IN SECTION V.D.
- B.

CONSTRUCTION DRAWINGS, LOCATIONS OF EXISTING UTILITIES, UNDERGROUND STRUCTURES AND WORK LOCATIONS ARE BASED ON BEST AVAILABLE INFORMATION BUT HAVE NOT BEEN FIELD VERIFIED.
- C.

ALL WORK, MATERIAL AND CONSTRUCTION SHALL BE PERFORMED AND COMPLETED IN COMPLIANCE WITH ALL PERMITS AND APPROVALS PER EVERSOURCE, LOCAL, STATE, OSHA AND FEDERAL REGULATIONS AND STANDARDS.
- D.

ALL LIVE GAS WORK EXCEPT SERVICE SIZE TAPS, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO TAPPING OF FITTINGS ON LIVE MAINS, STOPPING, MANIPULATING VALVE, ABANDONMENT, SHALL BE PERFORMED BY, OR AT THE DIRECTION AND UNDER THE DIRECT SUPERVISION OF EVERSOURCE GAS PERSONNEL AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE WRITTEN PROCEDURE. DRAWING CHANGES MAY ALSO REQUIRE A CHANGE TO THE PROCEDURE.
- E.

EXCAVATOR IS REQUIRED TO PROTECT EXISTING UTILITIES, STRUCTURES, LANDSCAPES FEATURES, SIGNAGE, CURBS, ETC. CARE SHOULD BE TAKEN NOT TO DISTURB OR DAMAGE SUCH ITEMS. ROADWAY, SIDEWALKS, AND GRASS DISTURBED SHALL BE RESTORED TO THE SATISFACTION OF THE CITY OR TOWN. PLANT BEDS WILL BE RELOCATED TO THEIR EXISTING REGULAR LOCATION.
- F.

ALL TRAFFIC CONTROL SHALL CONFORM TO THE LATEST EDITION OF THE MANUAL OF UNIFORM TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES (MUTCD), INCLUDING ALL REVISIONS AND ADDENDA. ALL TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES WILL BE SUPPLIED BY EXCAVATOR.

DRAWING NOTES:

- A.

THE BASIS OF BEARING FOR ALL DRAWING SHEETS IS AN APPROXIMATED NORTH AMERICAN HORIZONTAL DATUM OF 1983 (NAD83).
- B.

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- C.

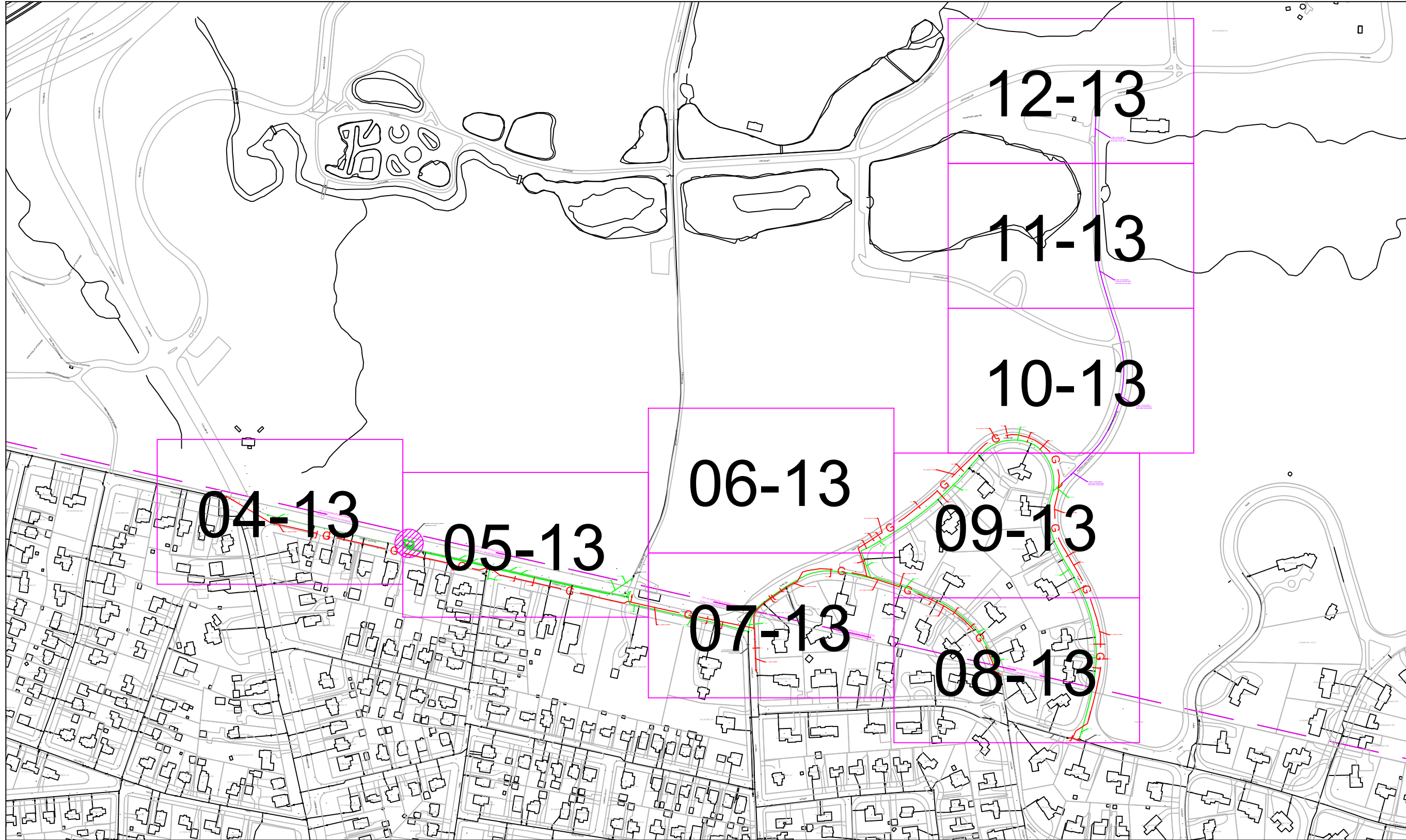
NORTH DIRECTION INCLUDED ON ALL DRAWING SHEETS DEPICTS "TRUE NORTH" IN THE NORTH AMERICAN HORIZONTAL DATUM OF 1983 (NAD83) AND IS APPROXIMATE ONLY.
- D.

PROPERTY LINE AND PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAY INFORMATION INCLUDED ON ALL DRAWING SHEETS IS TAKEN FROM MASSGIS AND IS APPROXIMATE ONLY.
- E.

UNDERGROUND AND OVERHEAD UTILITY INFORMATION INCLUDED ON ALL DRAWING SHEETS IS TAKEN FROM EVERSOURCE ENERGY GIS AND/OR RECORD INFORMATION SUPPLIED BY UTILITY PROVIDERS AND IS APPROXIMATE ONLY.
- F.

THE LOCATION OF ALL EXISTING UTILITIES INCLUDED ON ALL DRAWING SHEETS SHALL BE FIELD VERIFIED. IT IS NOTED THAT ADDITIONAL UTILITY INFRASTRUCTURE MAY EXIST.
- G.

MASSACHUSETTS STATE LAW REQUIRES 72 HOURS ADVANCE NOTICE TO UTILITY COMPANIES BEFORE DIGGING BY ANYONE. CALL DIG SAFE: 811 .



OVERVIEW KEY MAP
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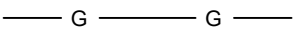
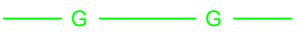
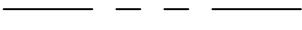
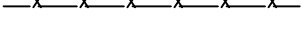


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DRAWING LEGEND

Gas Main Symbology

REGULATING STATION 50' BOUNDARY	
EXISTING GAS MAIN	
PROPOSED GAS MAIN	
GAS MAIN TO BE ABANDONED	
GAS MAIN WITH SERVICE TRANSFERS	
GAS MAIN WITH PRESSURE INCREASE	
RIGHT-OF-WAY	
ELECTRIC	
WATER LINE	
SEWER LINE	
TELEPHONE	
DRAIN LINE	
FENCE LINE	

Gas Main Material/Pressure Label References

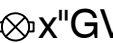
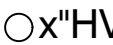
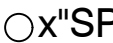
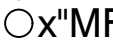
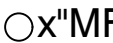
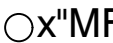
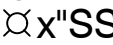
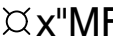
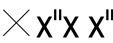
MATERIAL CODES

CS*	Coated Steel Gas Main
CI*	Cast Iron Gas Main
BS*	Bare Steel Gas Main
WI*	Wrought Iron Gas Main
PH*	High Density Polyethylene Gas Main
PM*	Medium Density Polyethylene Gas Main
PRESSURE CODES	
*LP	Low Pressure (<0.5 PSIG or 14" W.C.)
*IP	Intermediate Pressure (>2 PSIG ≤ 10 PSIG)
*MP	Medium Pressure (>10 PSIG ≤ 60 PSIG)
*HP	High Pressure (>60 PSIG)

MISCELLANEOUS CODES

*.SER	Service
*.R	Riser
(TC)	Transmission Class
Gas Main Installation Method Label References	
AT	Attached
BH	Bridge Hanger
BLGH	Building Hanger
DB	Directional Bore
IS	Inserted
OC	Open Cut
PB	Pneumatic Bore
PL	Plowed
RT	Roof Top
(E)	Existing
(P)	Proposed

Gas Facility Symbology

	x"GV	Gas Valve
	x"PV	Critical Gas Valve
		(Gate - GV, Plug - PV, PE Ball - BP, ST Ball - BV)
	x"HVTT	High Volume Tapping Tee
	x"SST	Pressure Control Fitting - ShortStopp Tee
	x"SPH	Pressure Control Fitting - Spherical Tee
	x"MF-BO	Pressure Control Fitting - Mueller Bottom-out
	x"MF-SO	Pressure Control Fitting - Mueller Side-out
	x"MF-FT	Pressure Control Fitting - Mueller Flange Tee
	x"SS	Pressure Control Fitting - ShortStopp
	x"MF	Pressure Control Fitting - Mueller Stopper
	x"x x" POLYTAP	Polytapp Side Saddle Fitting
		Transition
		End Cap
		Riser
		Reducer
	EM	Electronic Marker
	TWS	Flush-mounted Tracer Wire Station
		Post Pipeline Marker with Tracer Wire
	MM	Gas Main Marker without Tracer Wire
	W	Test Well
	R	Regulator Station
	R	Single Customer Regulator
	M	Meter
	MR	Meter with Regulator
	P	Test Point (Station)
	T	Gas Service Tie-over
	R	Gas Service Replacement
	MMO	Meter Move Out
		Swing Tie Symbology
		Telephone Manhole
		Drain Manhole
		Electric Manhole
		Catch Basis
		Sewer Manhole
		Fire Hydrant
		Utility Pole
		Property Marker
		Telephone Pedestal
		Television Pedestal
		Unknown Manhole
		Water Box
		Water Gate
		Electric Pedestal
		Iron Pin
		Light Pole
		INSIDE METER
		OUTSIDE METER

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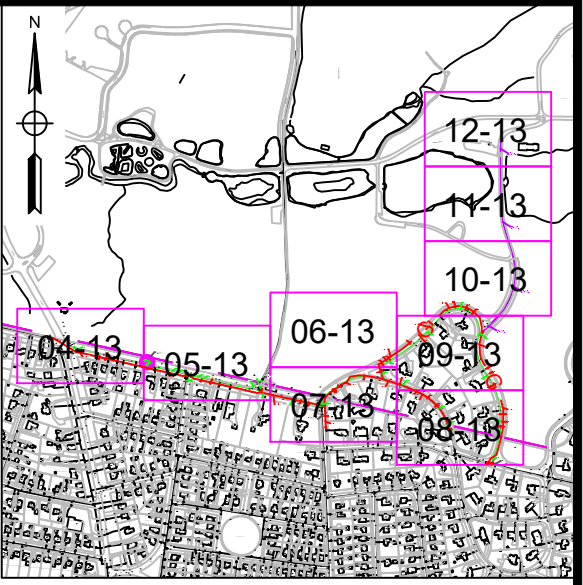
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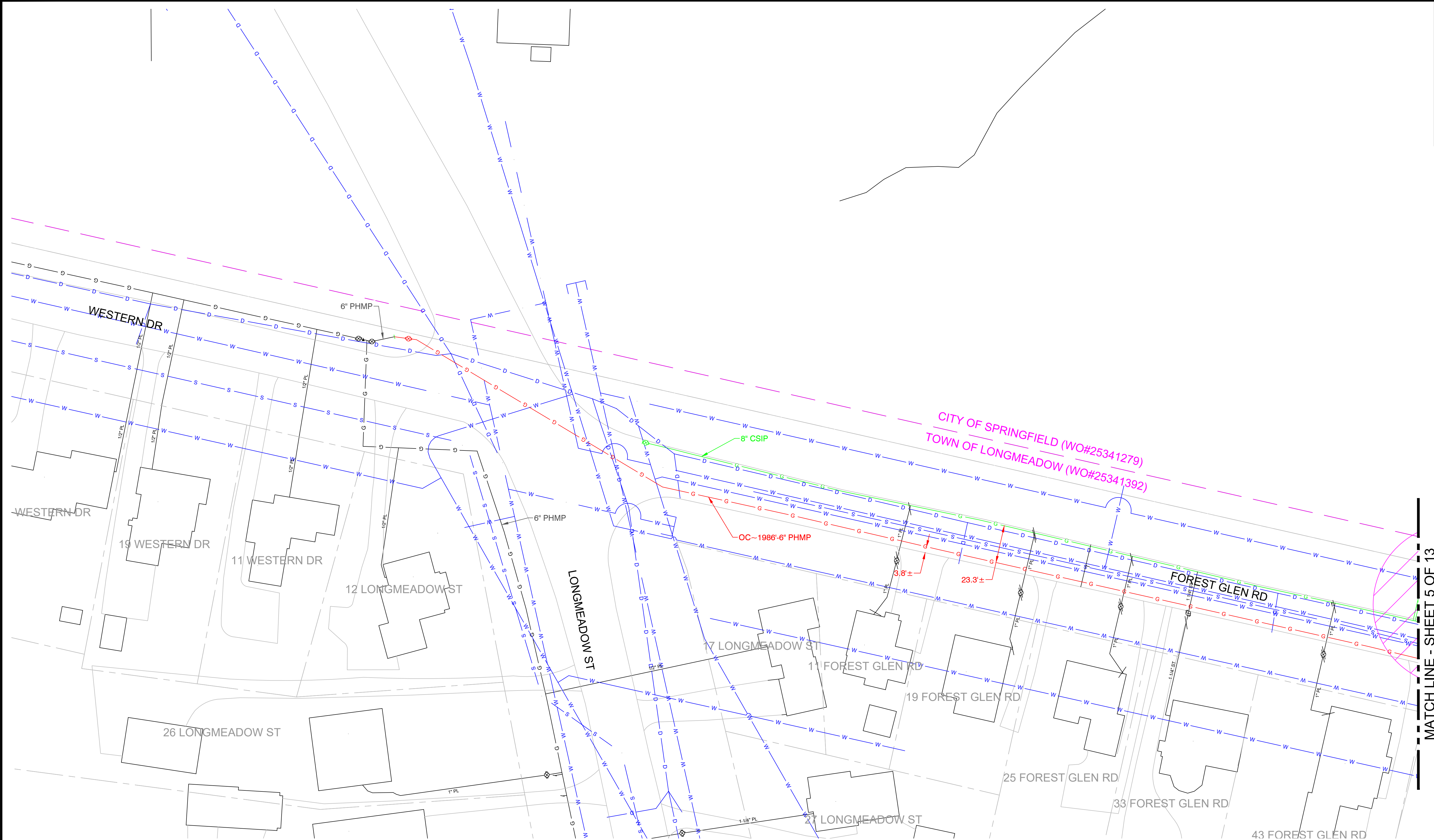
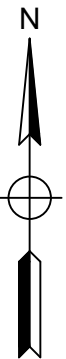
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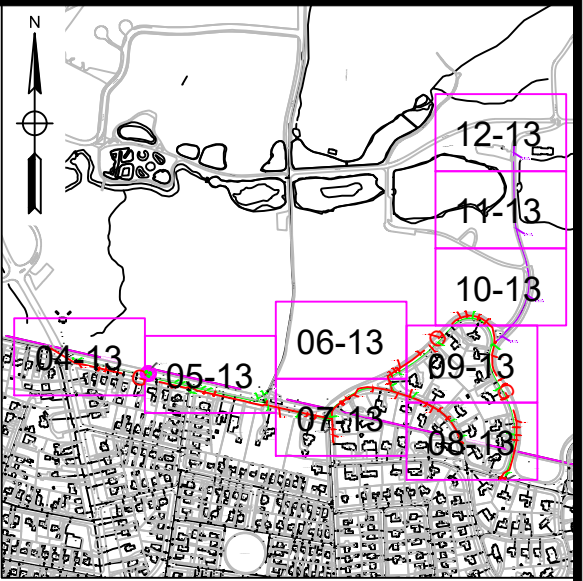
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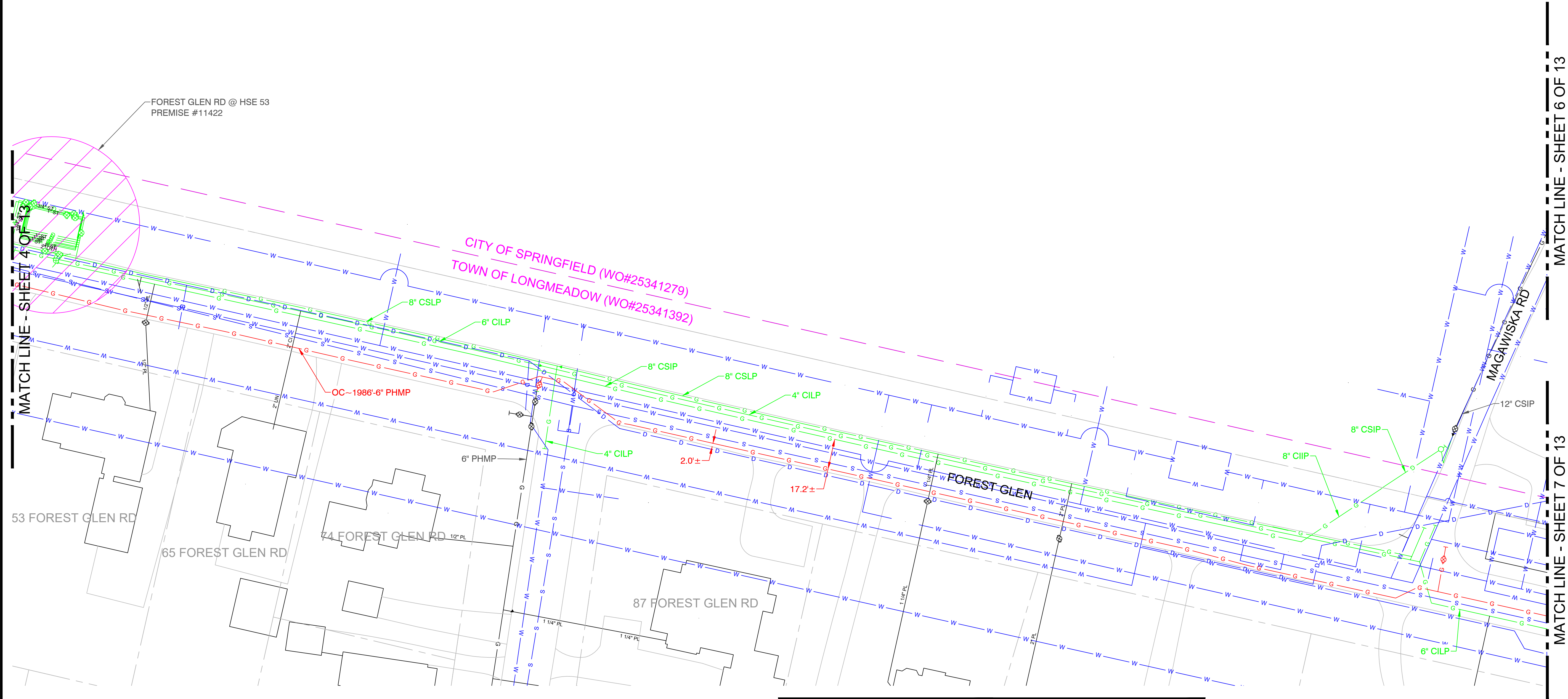
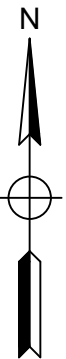
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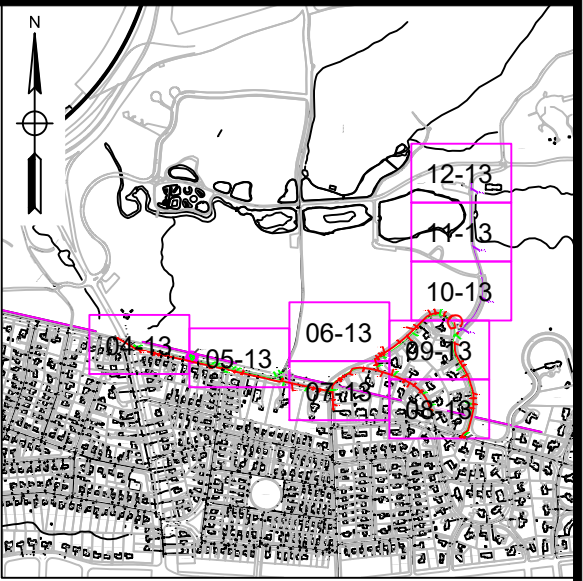
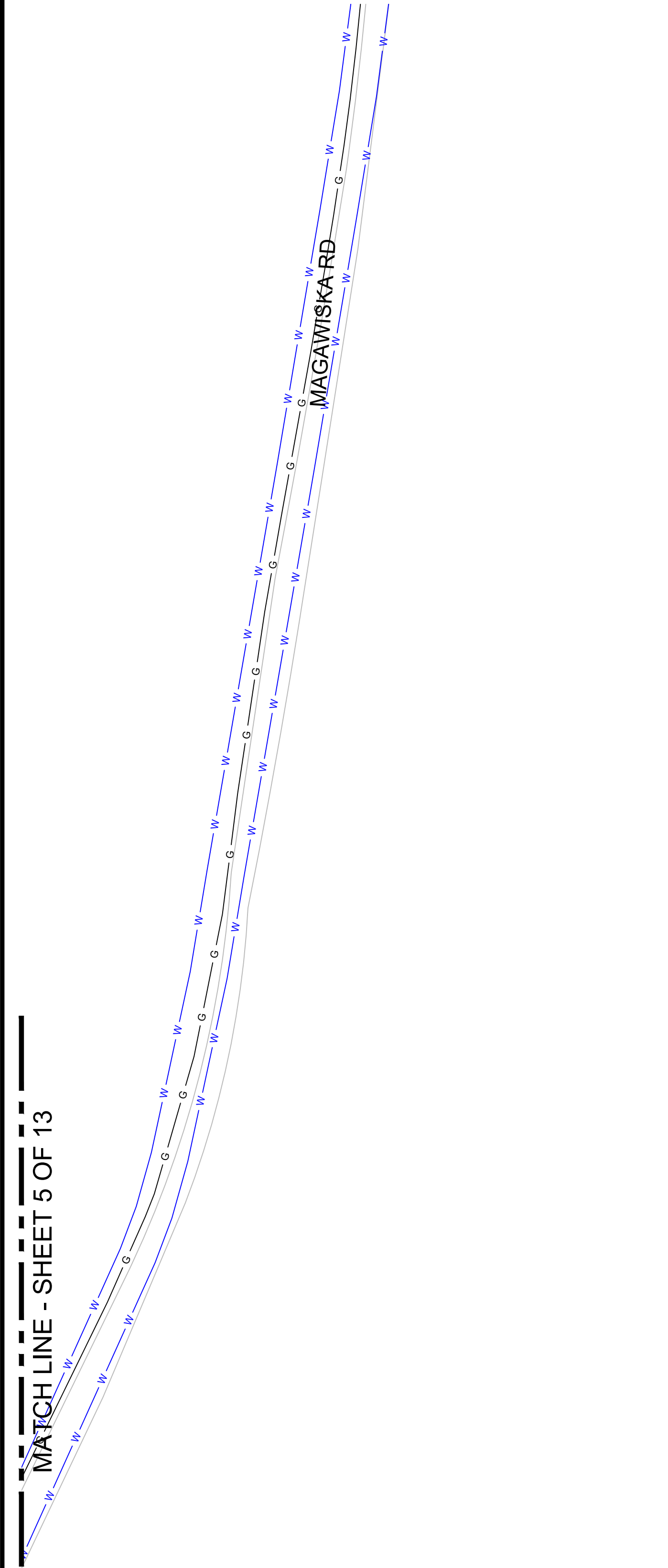
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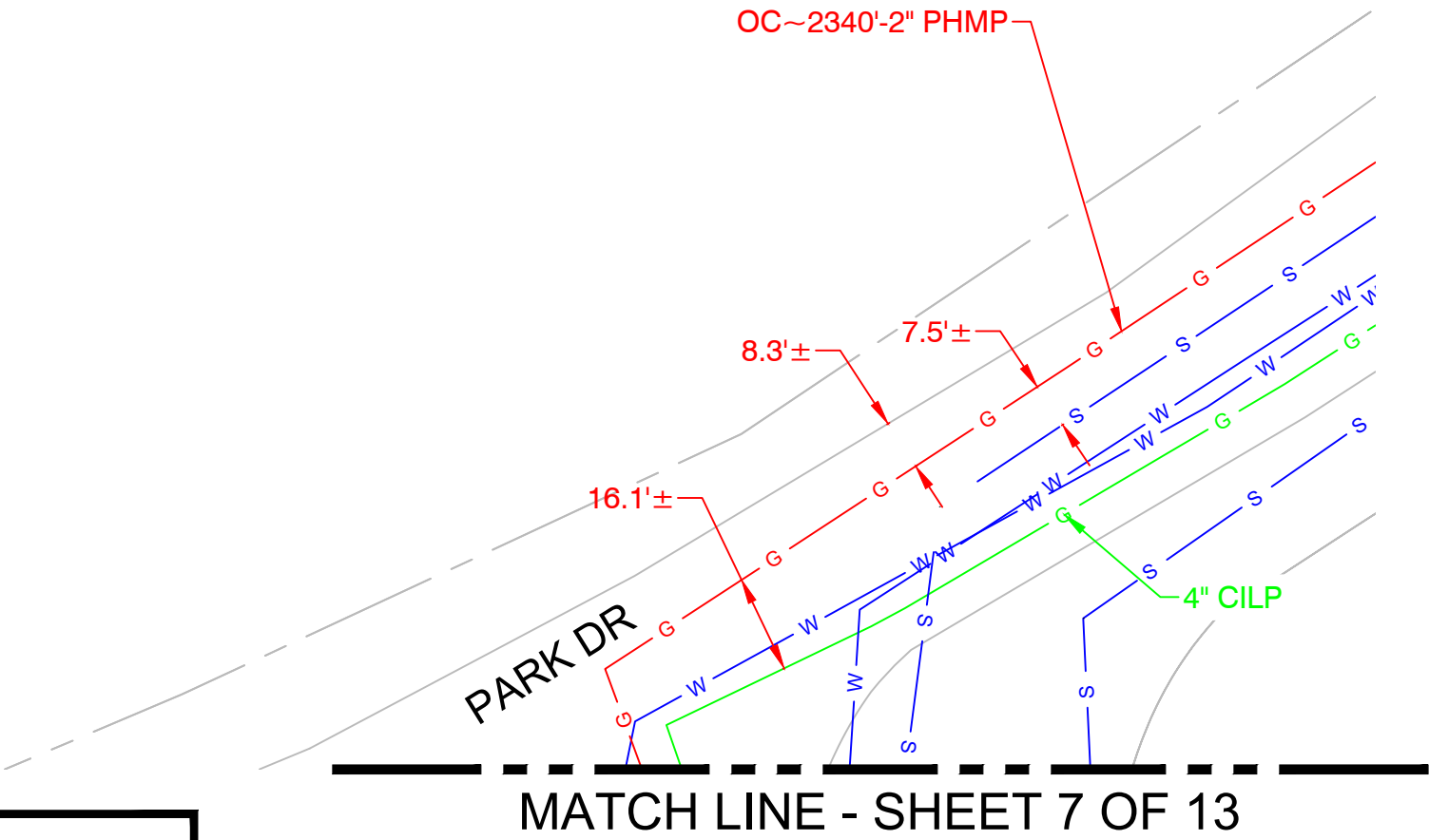
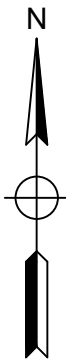
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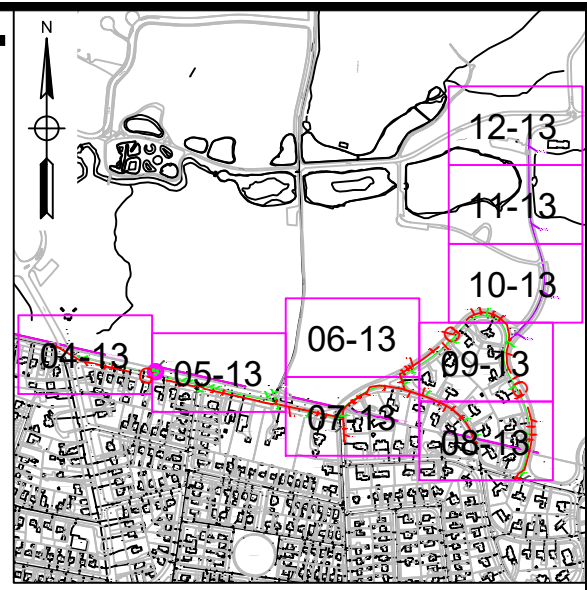
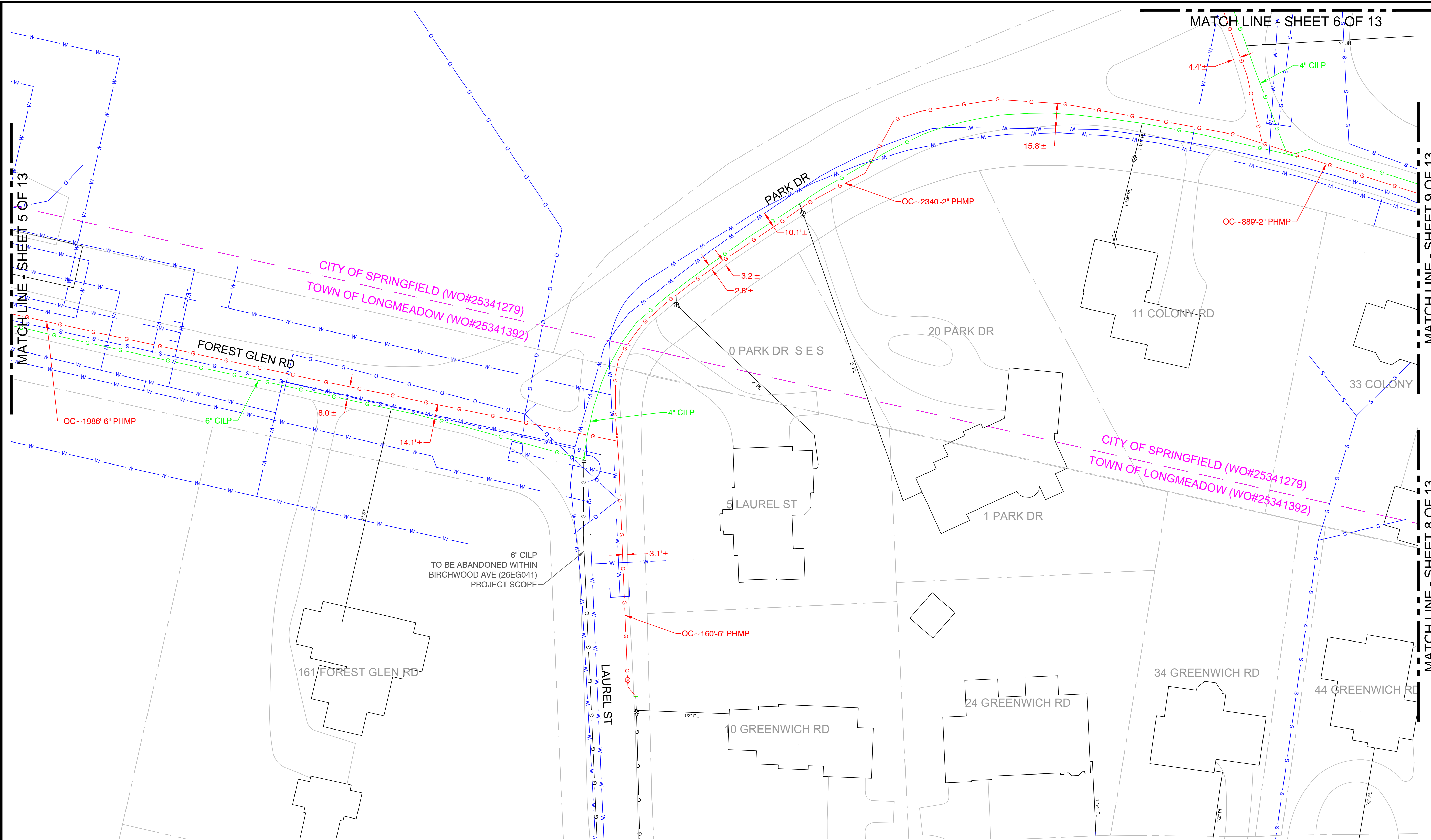
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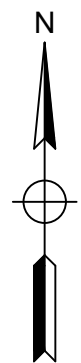
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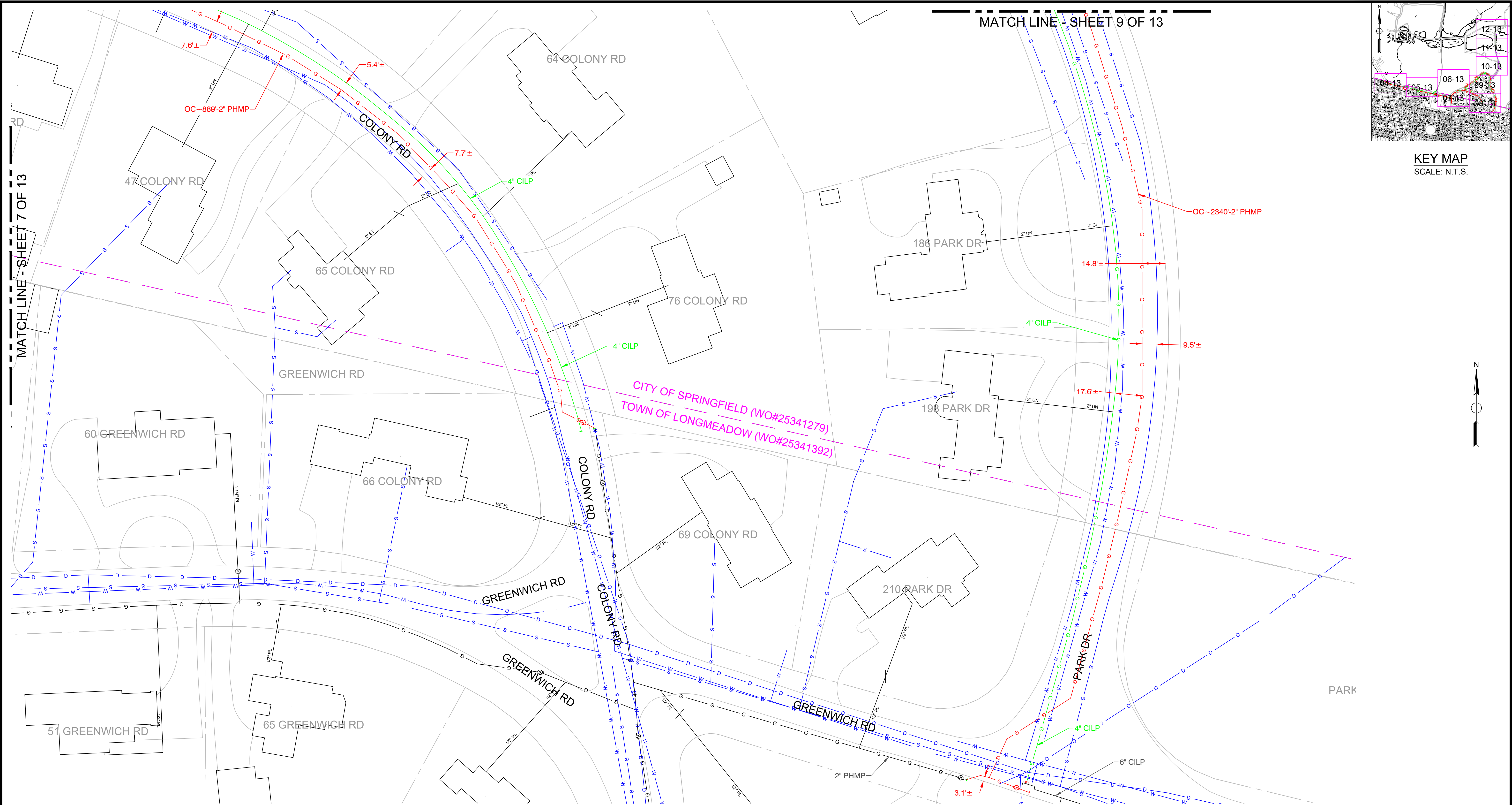
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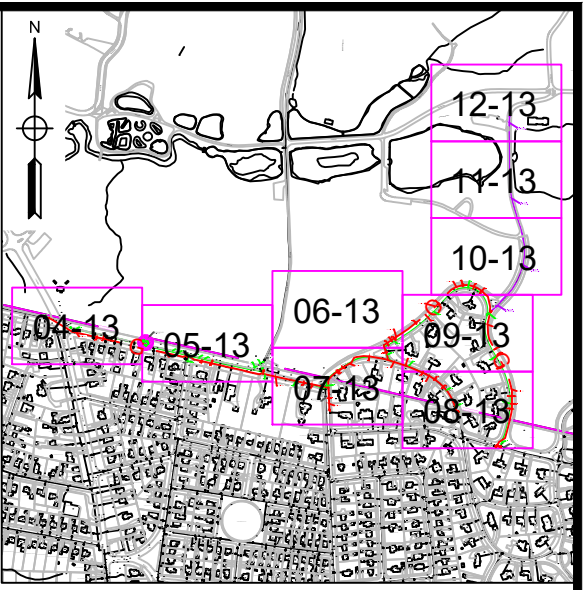
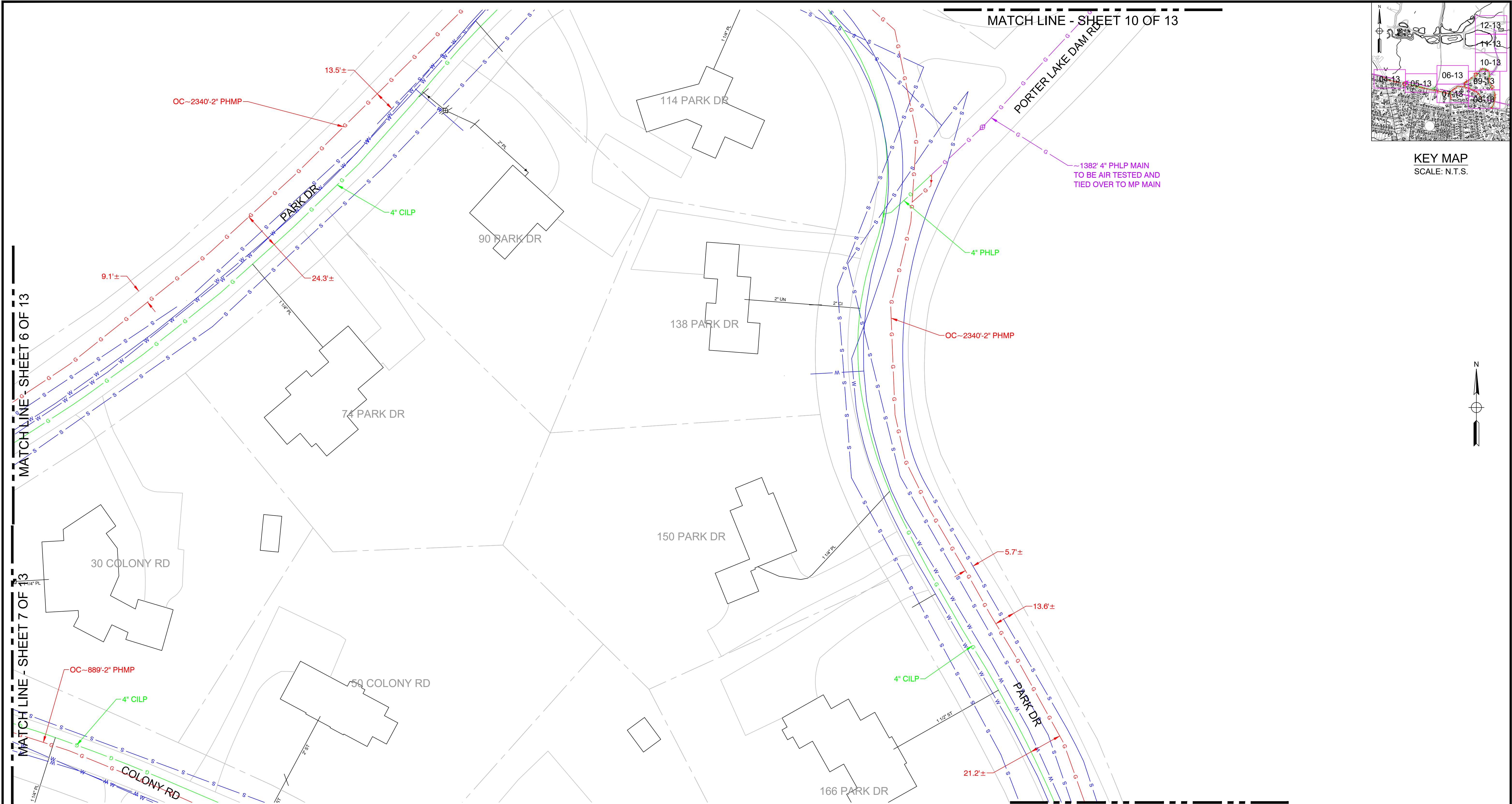
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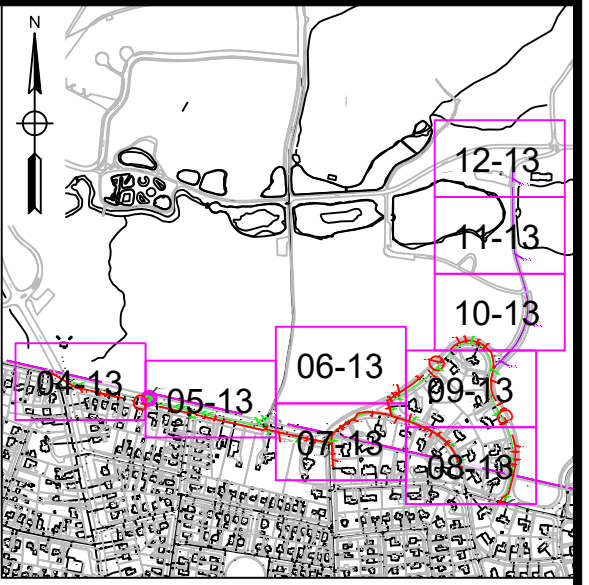
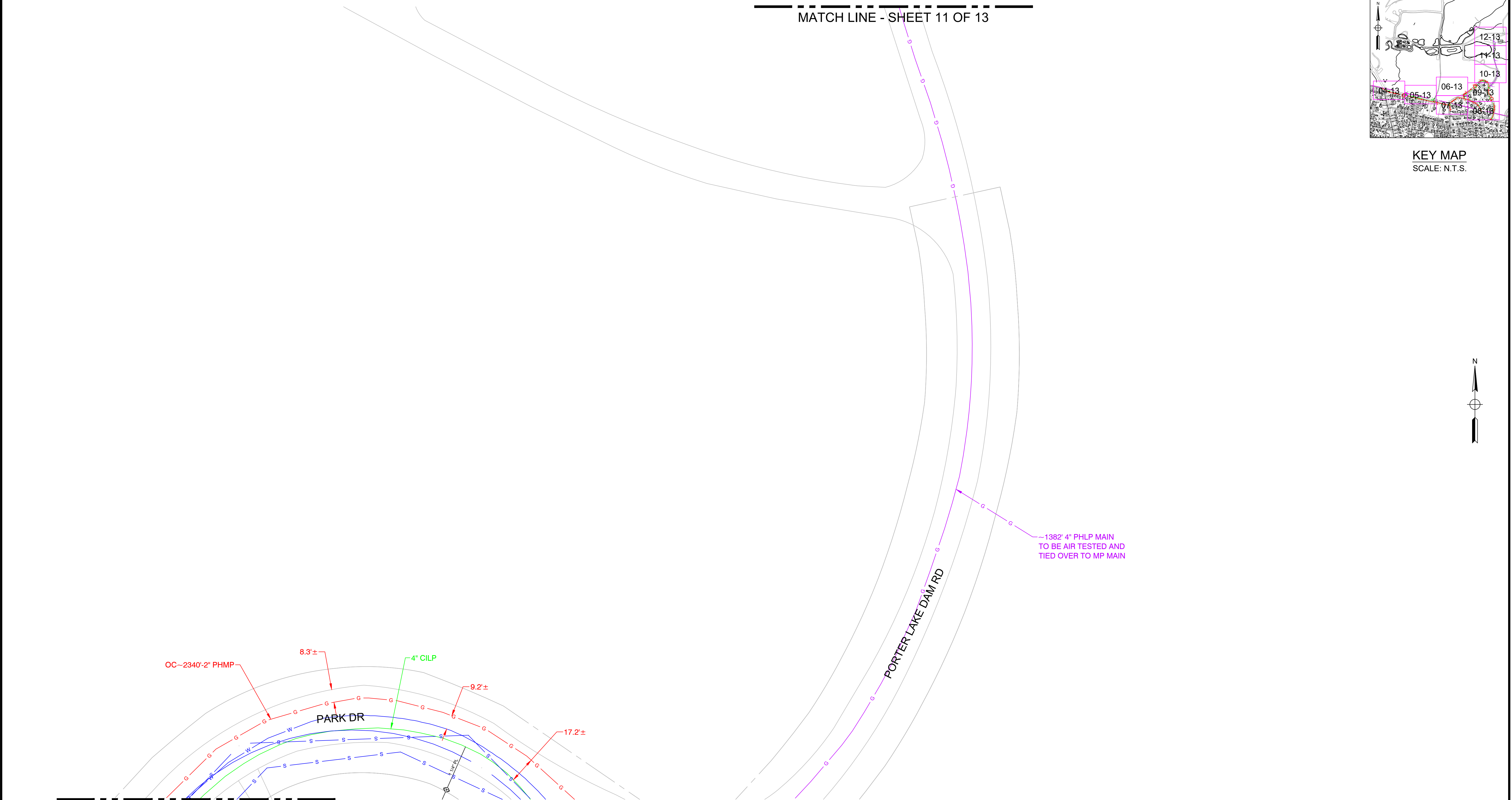
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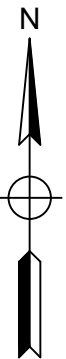
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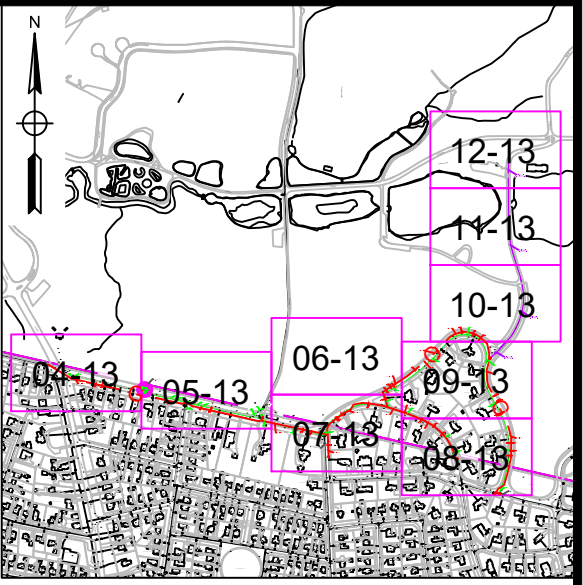
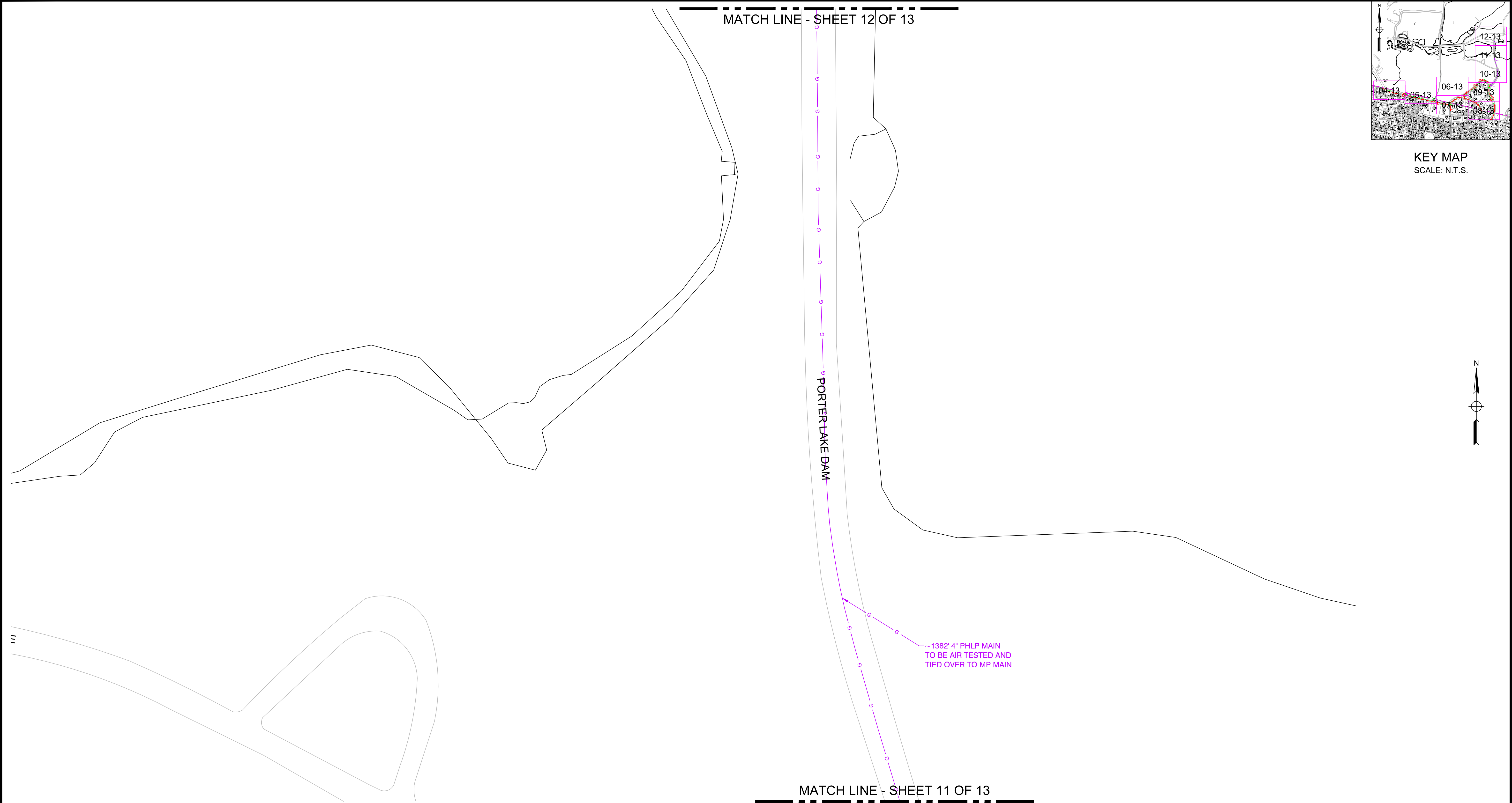
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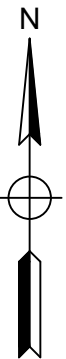
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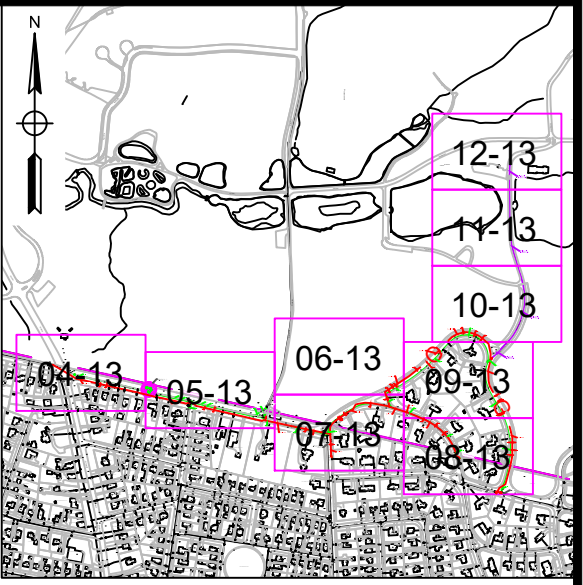
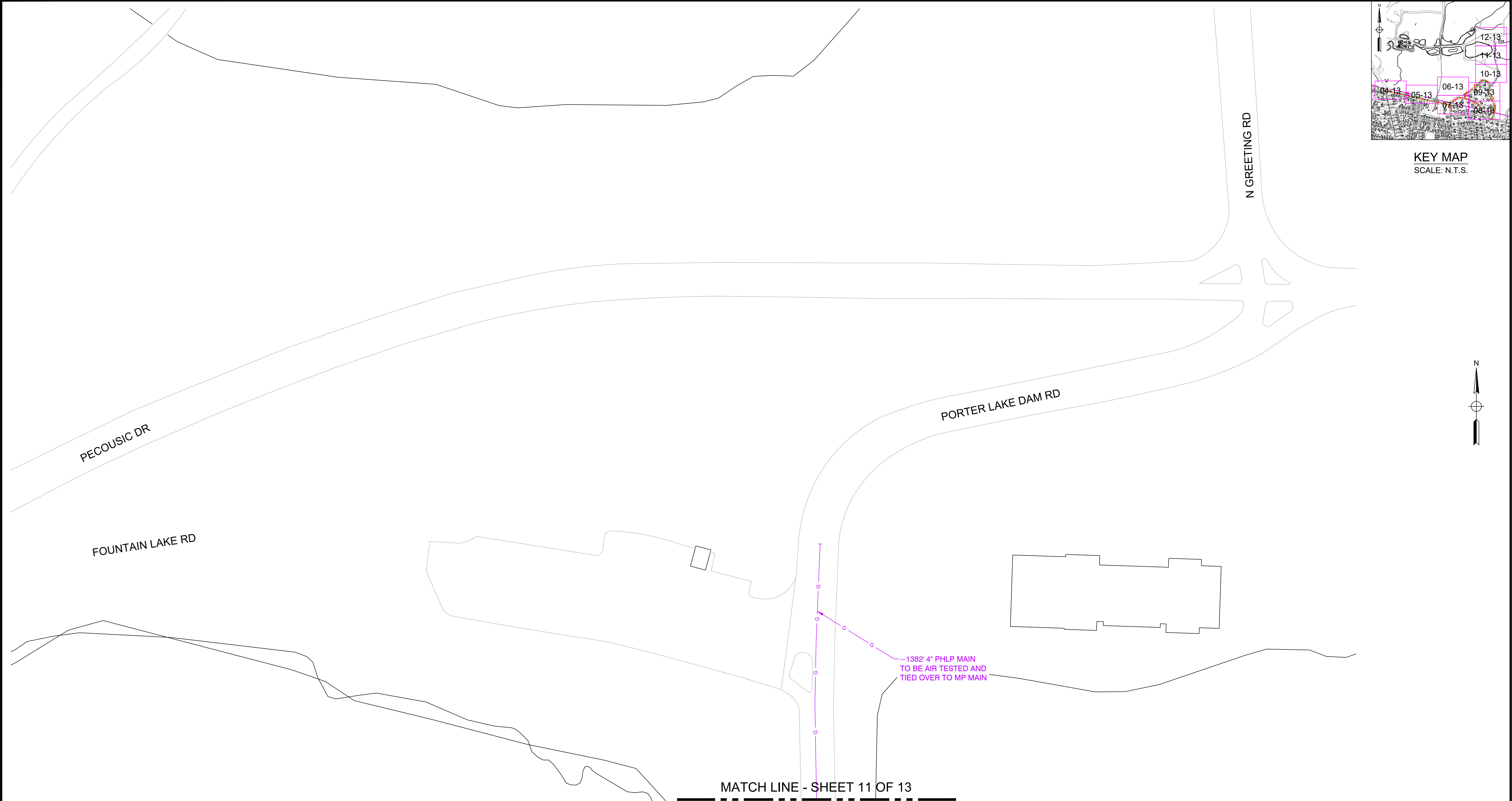
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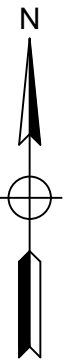
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ORDER FOR THE LOCATION OF UNDERGROUND CONDUIT

WHEREAS, the Board of Public Works, to which was referred the petition of Eversource-Gas to install underground gas facilities in a section of the Forest Park Neighborhood in Springfield, to install medium-pressure and retire low-pressure cast iron gas infrastructure.

WHEREAS, said petition, Forest Glen Rd., was referred to the Board of Public Works on March 19, 2026; and

WHEREAS, On, Mach 19, 2026, a Notice of a Public Hearing on Forest Glen Rd. to be held on April 2, 2026, was sent by mail, to all property owners abutting an affected road, various Departments, Utility Companies, etc before the day of the hearing and posted on two public bulletin board a copy of which is attached a hearing of the Board of Public Works was held as scheduled on-site with the petitioner and interested parties.

WHEREAS, on April 2, 2026, the Board of Public Works reported thereon that, after careful consideration of the petition of Eversource Gas to install approximately 3,230 feet of 2" inch plastic underground gas facilities within a section of the Forest Park Neighborhood at Colony Road and Park Drive to replace low-pressure cast-iron gas infrastructure, all substantially shown on a plan attached with the project name:

Forest Glen Rd.

Consisting of thirteen (13) sheets, which plan is incorporated herein by reference and is on file in the office of the Engineering Division of the Department of Public Works, Springfield, Massachusetts.

WHEREAS, the petition on Forest Glen Rd. came before the City Council for a Public Hearing on this date,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED:

1. That due care for public safety is exercised during construction, including but not limited to the use of a police officer(s) for traffic control if necessary.
2. That said, construction would not unnecessarily interfere with the movement of vehicular or pedestrian traffic in the area.
3. That care be taken during said construction not to damage any underground services.
4. That the construction site be returned to the same condition as found or better.

5. Said company shall indemnify and save harmless against all damages, costs, and expenses whatsoever to which the City may be subjected in consequence of the acts or neglect of said Company, its agents or servants, or in any manner arising from the rights and privileges granted it by the City.
6. In addition, said company shall, before a public way is disturbed for the laying of its wire or conduit, execute its bond in the penal sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000) conditioned for the faithful performance of its duties under this permit.
7. Said company shall comply with the requirements of existing Ordinances and orders and comply with any changes in Ordinances and orders as may hereafter be adopted by the Mayor and Council governing the construction and maintenance of buried cable, conduits, and wires.
8. Any sidewalks that are damaged or removed will be replaced in kind and in accordance with the City of Springfield's Standard Specifications.
9. Ramps for the handicapped will be provided if and where required by law and in conformance with the Rules and Regulations of the Massachusetts Architectural Barrier Board.
10. Any curbing that is disturbed during construction will be reset to the established street grade using proper construction procedures.
11. That all proposed silo, manhole, and hex-hole covers will conform to and be compatible with an established street, tree belt, or sidewalk grades with suitable non-skid covers when in the sidewalk area.
12. The Springfield Water and Sewer Commission be notified before construction begins. All installations of adjacent utilities must be a minimum of 4 feet from the existing water and/or sewer main, edge to edge of the pipe.
13. That asphalt trench restoration be done in accordance with the City of Springfield DPW requirements.
14. That all conditions outlined in the respective order are complied with.

TO THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD:

The Board of Public Works, to which was referred the petition of the Eversource-Gas of Massachusetts, dated March 19 , 2026, to install approximately 3,230 feet of 2” inch plastic underground gas facilities within a section of the Forest Park Neighborhood at Colony Road and Park Drive to replace low-pressure cast-iron gas infrastructure. The Forest Glen Rd. plan is incorporated herein by reference, and to lay and maintain underground gas main pipes for improvements of the system reports thereon as follows:

By virtue of Chapter 708 of the Acts of 1977, the Board of Public Works held the hearing on the above matter provided for in Section 22 of Chapter 166 of the General Laws. The hearing was held on April 2, 2026, at 3:30 P.M. at the intersection of Park Dr. and Colony Road in Springfield, MA, after due notice from the office of the City Clerk. Two (2) members of the Board and one (1) person interested in the matter were present. Of the latter, one (1) voted in favor, and no one (0) voted against.

The Board finds the request necessary so that the utility company can upgrade existing underground facilities to improve the quality of service in Forest Park Neighborhood.

After careful consideration, the Board recommends the petition be granted, provided:

That due care for public safety is exercised during construction, including but not limited to the use of a police officer(s) for traffic control if necessary.

That said, construction would not unnecessarily interfere with the movement of vehicular or pedestrian traffic in the area.

That care be taken during said construction not to damage any underground services.

That the construction site be returned to the same condition as found or better.

Said company shall indemnify and save harmless against all damages, costs, and expenses whatsoever to which the City may be subjected in consequence of the acts or neglect of said Company, its agents or servants, or in any manner arising from the rights and privileges granted it by the City.

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Said company shall comply with the requirements of existing Ordinances and orders and comply with any changes in Ordinances and orders as may hereafter be adopted by the Mayor and Council governing the construction and maintenance of buried cable, conduits, and wires.

Any sidewalks that are damaged or removed will be replaced in kind and in accordance with the City of Springfield's Standard Specifications.

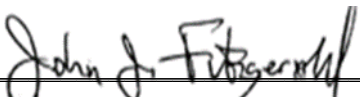
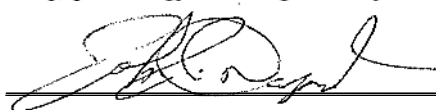
Ramps for the handicapped will be provided if and where required by law and in conformance with the Rules and Regulations of the Massachusetts Architectural Barrier Board.

Any curbing that is disturbed during construction will be reset to the established street grade using proper construction procedures.

That due care be exercised not to unnecessarily damage any public shade trees located within the construction area.

The Springfield Water and Sewer Commission should be notified before construction begins. All installations of adjacent utilities must be a minimum of 4 feet from the existing water and/or sewer main, edge to edge of the pipe.

That all conditions outlined in the respective order are complied with.


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BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS

City of Springfield
36 Court Street
Springfield, MA 01103

Division of Administration
and Finance



To: Springfield City Council
From: Cathy Buono, Chief Administrative & Financial Officer
Date: April 13, 2026
Re: Bond Authorization FY26 MSBA ARP Projects
Cc: Mayor Sarno

Purpose: The purpose of this memo is to provide an explanation of the order sponsored by the Mayor for the April 13, 2026 Council meeting, which authorizes the City to pay the sum of \$1,000,000 for three (3) Springfield Public Schools that were invited into the MSBA Accelerated Repairs Program.

Background: The Department of Capital Asset and Construction (“DCAC”) requires funding for schematic design for potential roof replacement projects at the below listed schools.

Project	Funding Required
Daniel B. Brunton School	\$ 250,000.00
Edwatd P. Boland School	\$ 250,000.00
Van Sickle Prep Middle School	\$ 500,000.00
Total	\$ 1,000,000.00

The City needs to authorize funds for the schematic design for these projects before any reimbursements from MSBA can be requested. The City can expect 80% reimbursement of eligible costs from MSBA. The total bond authorization being sought is \$1,000,000 to cover costs associated with the Accelerated Repairs Program.

CAFO Certification: This memorandum will confirm that in my professional opinion, as the Chief Administrative and Financial Officer, after an evaluation of all pertinent financial information reasonably available, that the City's financial resources and revenues are and will continue to be adequate to support the proposed expenditures and obligations involved in this City Council Order, without a detrimental impact on the continuous provision of the existing level of municipal services, in accordance with Section 2(f) of Chapter 656 of the Acts of 1989, as added by Section 1 of Chapter 468 of the Acts of 2008.

This certification is made in accordance with Section 2(f) of Chapter 656 of the Acts of 1989, as added by Section 1 of Chapter 468 of the Acts of 2008.



Remittance:
Tyler Technologies, Inc.
(FEIN 75-2303920)
P.O. Box 203556
Dallas, TX 75320-3556

Invoice

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Questions:
Tyler Technologies - ERP & Schools
Phone: 1-800-772-2260 Press 2, then 1
Email: ar@tylertech.com

Bill To: CITY OF SPRINGFIELD
36 COURT STREET
SPRINGFIELD, MA 01103

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36 COURT STREET
SPRINGFIELD, MA 01103

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City of Springfield
36 Court Street
Springfield, MA 01103



Division of Administration
and Finance

To: Springfield City Council
From: Cathy Buono, Chief Administrative & Financial Officer
Date: April 13th, 2026
Re: Order for Council Meeting – 4/13/2026
Cc: Mayor Domenic J. Sarno

Purpose: The purpose of this memo is to provide an explanation of the order sponsored by the Mayor for the April 13th 2026 Council meeting, which authorizes the city to pay \$748.93 towards bills for services rendered in a prior year.

Background: This is a request to allow the below listed department to pay previous years' bills from the current year's (FY26) operating budget. Listed below are the departments, invoices, due dates, reasons and amounts.

Department	Invoice #	Vendor	Date	Reason	Amount
ITD	045-484096	Tyler Technologies	8/31/2024	FY25 Services Rendered	\$ 748.93
Total					\$ 748.93

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City of Springfield
36 Court Street
Springfield, MA 01103



Division of Administration
and Finance

To: Springfield City Council
From: Cathy Buono, Chief Administrative & Financial Officer
Date: April 13, 2026
Re: Bond Authorization for East Springfield Branch Library Construction
Cc: Mayor Sarno

Purpose: The purpose of this memo is to provide an explanation of the order sponsored by the Mayor for the April 13, 2026 Council meeting, which authorizes the City to pay the sum of \$12,420,411 for constructing a new East Springfield Branch Library, which would improve facilities to meet the growing demand for library services.

Background: The City of Springfield ("the City") has applied for funding from the Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners ("MBLC") through its Massachusetts Public Library Construction Program ("MPLCP") for the purpose of paying the costs of constructing a new East Springfield Branch Library.

Description	Amount
Grant Funding	\$ 6,837,061.00
Outside Funding Sources	\$ 1,000,000.00
City Match (Bond/Other Funding Sources)	\$ 4,583,350.00
Total Project Budget	\$ 12,420,411.00

The City needs to authorize funds for the schematic design for these projects before any reimbursements from MBLC can be requested. The total bond authorization being sought is \$12,420,411 to cover costs associated with the East Springfield Branch Library Construction.

CAFO Certification: This memorandum will confirm that in my professional opinion, as the Chief Administrative and Financial Officer, after an evaluation of all pertinent financial information reasonably available, that the City's financial resources and revenues are and will continue to be adequate to support the proposed expenditures and obligations involved in this City Council Order, without a detrimental impact on the continuous provision of the existing level of municipal services, in accordance with Section 2(f) of Chapter 656 of the Acts of 1989, as added by Section 1 of Chapter 468 of the Acts of 2008.

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City of Springfield
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Springfield, MA 01103



Division of Administration
and Finance

To: Springfield City Council
From: Cathy Buono, Chief Administrative & Financial Officer
Date: April 13, 2026
Re: Order for Council Meeting – 04/13/2026
Cc: Mayor Sarno

Purpose: The purpose of this memo is to provide an explanation of the order sponsored by the Mayor for the April 13, 2026 City Council meeting, which authorizes the City to pay \$4,583,350 for costs associated with construction improvements of the East Springfield Branch Library.

Background: This funding will be used to cover costs associated with the planning, design, and construction phases of the project, which has a total estimated cost of \$12,420,411. A grant from the Massachusetts Libraries Board of Commissioners will provide \$6,837,061 in funding, \$1,000,000 will be allocated from outside sources (Federal funding & fundraising), and the remainder will be from a City bond and/or additional funding sources (\$4,583,350).

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REQUEST FOR GRANT SETUP

This form and the required attachments are required by the Office of the City Comptrollers before a Grant Fund and related accounts will be created in MUNIS. Please do not use this form for requesting a non-grant related account to be created – use the Request for New Account form instead. Please return this form and the required attachments to the Office of the City Comptrollers.

All fields are mandatory.

Date of Request April 1, 2026

Department Requesting Grant Setup

Library

Department Phone # (Please include extension)

263-6828 x290

Name and Title of Person to Contact in Case of Questions Khristy Lord, Business Manager

Was this Grant previously setup for a prior fiscal year? N

If yes, please indicate your previous project number:

If this is a new Grant, have you filled out the "Approval to apply for a grant" Form?
(Y/N) NA If yes, please attach a copy of the Approved Form.

Grant Type:

State – Highway

Federal Pass-Through DOE– School

Federal Direct– School

Federal – City

State DOE– School

State Other – School

X State – City Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners

Private/Other

Grant Name: MPLCP Grant – East Springfield Branch – Construction Phase

Total Grant Amount Awarded: \$6,837,061

Is this a Reimbursable Grant? (Y/N) N

A Reimbursable Grant is defined as one that requires that you pay for expenses first and then you apply to the grantor for a reimbursement of the exact amount actually expended.

If it is a Reimbursable Grant, please enter Grantor contact information or the CID # if Grantor is already in the customer file:

Entity Name
Contact Person
Street Address
City, State, Zip Code
Telephone
Fax
E-Mail

Actual Award Date 03/05/2026

Board Approval Date

Start Date 03/05/2026

Expiration Date

Renewal Action Date (optional)

If there are any Matching Funds:

Type
Percent
Amount

Comments re: Description/Purpose of Grant

The MBLC MPLCP Construction Grant is a state-funded program that provides funding and technical assistance to municipalities for building new public libraries or expanding, renovating, and improving existing ones. It helps public libraries meet growing demands for services, technology, and community space.

Comments re: Conditions/Restrictions of Grant

If this is a Federal Grant, enter CFDA#:

If applicable enter the State ID # :

What is the required drawdown frequency?

(Ex: Monthly, Quarterly)

If payment is to be sent by Grantor as a Wire,

Please enter any wire reference/identification # that may be used (if known)

Please list all object codes needed for the grant.
(Attach additional sheets if additional orgs and roll-ups are needed):

Org Code:

Object Codes: 530105

Budget Roll-Up Codes: YES

I hereby attest that under the penalties of Chapter 656, I will adhere to all regulations in this grant agreement. I am responsible for timely and accurate reimbursements in the amounts listed above.

Molly Fogarty
Signature

3/5/2026
Date

Please attach the following documents:

- ☐ Signed Approval to Apply for a Grant Form
- ☐ Grant Award Letter
- ☐ City Council/Mayor Approval
- ☐ Any other relevant documentation

This Form and all relevant attachments will be scanned and attached in the Grant Maintenance module in MUNIS and can be viewed or printed at your convenience.

Massachusetts Libraries

BOARD OF LIBRARY COMMISSIONERS

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March 5, 2026

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Molly Fogarty
Springfield City Library
220 State St.
Springfield, MA 01103

Dear Molly,

Congratulations on the City of Springfield's successful completion of the MPLCP Level of Design independent review. The Board of Library Commissioners and its staff appreciate the time and effort expended by you, the Springfield City Library staff and trustees, the building committee, and all stakeholders throughout the Planning and Design Phase.

At the March 5, 2026 meeting of the Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners, the Board voted to make a Provisional Grant Award to the City of Springfield in the amount not to exceed \$6,837,061 for the construction of a new East Springfield Branch Library. Should the project comply with one of the three pathways for the Green Library Incentive, it will also be eligible for an award of up to \$205,112, to be covered under a separate contract after the completion of the Construction Phase grant contract. The gross square footage for your project has been set at 8,723. The project will require 8 parking spaces in a public alleyway adjacent to the site, in addition to local street parking, plus one dedicated accessible space in the alleyway not included in the required total of 8. The City of Springfield has until June 30, 2026 to accept this award and produce certified copies of any local votes necessary to execute a contract with the MBLC for the Construction Phase. The Planning and Design Phase final report must be submitted and accepted by MBLC staff prior to the execution of the Construction Phase contract.

After the contract is executed, Heather Backman will work closely with you throughout the Construction Phase, with construction documents due within one year of contract execution. You can find more information about the [Construction Phase](https://mblc.state.ma.us/programs-and-support/construction/2023-construction-phase.php) on our website at <https://mblc.state.ma.us/programs-and-support/construction/2023-construction-phase.php>.

Congratulations, again, on reaching this important milestone for the Springfield City Library's building project.

Sincerely,

Maureen Amyot
Director

Enclosure: Project Summary

**Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners
Massachusetts Public Library Construction Program**

Project Information
General Construction Projects 2023-2024 Grant Round

Municipality:	Springfield
Library:	East Springfield Branch Library
Project Type:	New Construction
Total Square Feet:	Existing Gross: 3,315 Projected Gross: 8,723
Estimated Total Project Cost:	\$12,420,411
Estimated Eligible Cost:	\$11,278,717
Grant Award:	\$6,837,061
Potential GLI:	\$205,112

Abstract:

The East Springfield Branch Library operates in a 3,315 square foot building that opened in 1932 and has not been expanded or significantly renovated since its construction. The library struggles to adequately meet patron needs in a facility that presents significant accessibility issues, has outdated life-safety systems, and lacks appropriate space for patrons, collections, programming, and staff. The main floor of the building is a single room, with no acoustic separation between quieter and busier uses, no defined spaces for different patron groups such as teenagers or children, no meeting room, and no private staff workspace. Collections must be constantly weeded to create room for new purchases. The only accessible restroom was created by repurposing a storage area and staff workroom, and still is used for storage due to lack of other space.

This project proposes constructing a new, 8,723 square foot East Springfield Branch Library on the existing lot. This energy-efficient facility will be designed based on universal access principles and will incorporate designated, separate spaces for children, teens and adults; adequate space for collections, technology, quiet reading or study, and staff; and both a children's activity room and a community meeting room. Spaces such as an entry plaza, reading garden, and screened porch will enable outdoor programming, respite, and a connection to nature in the midst of the branch's urban environment. For the first time, the library will also be able to provide 9 off-street parking spots in addition to street parking.

Recommendation:

This project has successfully met all criteria in the grant review process and is recommended for funding. This project will qualify for the Green Library Incentive of 3% of the construction grant award if it complies with one of the three pathways stated in the Program Notice.



REQUEST FOR GRANT SETUP

This form and the required attachments are required by the Office of the City Comptrollers before a Grant Fund and related accounts will be created in MUNIS. Please do not use this form for requesting a non-grant related account to be created – use the Request for New Account form instead. Please return this form and the required attachments to the Office of the City Comptrollers.

All fields are mandatory.

Date of Request: 4/7/2026

Department Requesting Grant Setup: OMB/HHS

Department Phone # (Please include extension): (413) 784-4866

Name and Title of Person to Contact in Case of Questions: Sacoy Malone

Was this Grant previously setup for a prior fiscal year?

If yes, please indicate your previous project number: N/A

If this is a new Grant, have you filled out the “Approval to apply for a grant” Form?

(Y/N) N If yes, please attach a copy of the Approved Form.

Grant Type:

State – Highway
Federal Pass-Through DOE– School
Federal Direct– School
Federal – City
State DOE– School
State Other – School
State – City
Private/Other

xxx

Grant Name: Municipal ADA Improvement Grant

Total Grant Amount Awarded: \$250,000

Is this a Reimbursable Grant? No

A Reimbursable Grant is defined as one that requires that you pay for expenses first and then you apply to the grantor for a reimbursement of the exact amount actually expended.

If it is a Reimbursable Grant, please enter Grantor contact information or the CID # if Grantor is already in the customer file:

Entity Name: Massachusetts Office on Disability

Contact Person: Evan George

Street Address: 1 Ashburton Pl

City, State, Zip Code: Boston, MA 02108

Telephone: (617) 727-7440

Fax: N/A

E-Mail: Evan.George@mass.gov

Actual Award Date: 12/5/25

Board Approval Date

Start Date: 5/14/25

Expiration Date: 12/1/27

Renewal Action Date (optional)

If there are any Matching Funds: N/A

Type

Percent

Amount

Is there any Leverage? HUD FUNDING ONLY

Source

Amount

Comments re: Description/Purpose of Grant

The City to complete an ADA Self-evaluation & Transition Plan as required under Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act.

Comments re: Conditions/Restrictions of Grant

If this is a Federal Grant, enter CFDA#: N/A

If applicable enter the State ID # : N/A

What is the required drawdown frequency?

(Ex: Monthly, Quarterly) Monthly

If payment is to be sent by Grantor as a Wire,

Please enter any wire reference/identification # that may be used (if known) ACH

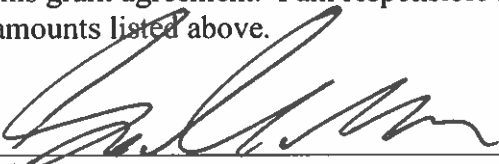
Please list all object codes needed for the grant.
(Attach additional sheets if additional orgs and roll-ups are needed):

Org Code: 2*

Object Codes: 530105

Budget Roll-Up Codes:

I hereby attest that under the penalties of Chapter 656, I will adhere to all regulations in this grant agreement. I am responsible for timely and accurate reimbursements in the amounts listed above.



Signature

4-7-26

Date

Please attach the following documents:

- ☐ Signed Approval to Apply for a Grant Form
- ☐ Grant Award Letter
- ☐ City Council/Mayor Approval
- ☐ Any other relevant documentation

This Form and all relevant attachments will be scanned and attached in the Grant Maintenance module in MUNIS and can be viewed or printed at your convenience.

From: [Malone, Sacoy](#)
To: [Berardi, Gianna](#)
Subject: FW: [External] Municipal ADA Improvement Grant
Date: Tuesday, April 7, 2026 1:54:30 PM
Attachments: [ADA Grant Setup Form.pdf](#)

Hey Gianna,

See award letter below, and grant setup attached.

Let me know if you need any addition information.

Sacoy

From: George, Evan (MOD) <Evan.George@mass.gov>
Sent: Friday, December 5, 2025 3:14 PM
To: Malone, Sacoy <SMalone@springfieldcityhall.com>
Subject: [External] Municipal ADA Improvement Grant

FROM: Allan B. Motenko, Executive Director
TO: Springfield, Applicant
RE: Springfield FY2026 Municipal ADA Improvement Grant

The Massachusetts Office on Disability's Grant Application Selection Committee has reviewed your application for the **FY26 Municipal ADA Improvement Grant Program. Your application has been provisionally approved by the Massachusetts Executive Office of Administration and Finance for a maximum grant of \$250000.** Congratulations!

Here are the next steps:

- **Your chief executive (Town Administrator/Mayor/Chair of Select Board) will receive an AdobeSign document from Michael Dumont with the contract, agreement, and other required documents for them to sign.** If your chief executive did not receive this email, please contact Grant Compliance Coordinator Evan George Evan.George@Mass.Gov, no later than 5 days after receipt of this email, with the signatory's name, title, and email address.
- You are not eligible to begin work until we receive the signed contract, agreement, and other required documents. Please double check all forms to ensure that they are accurate.
- All forms must be fully completed. A response of "Not Applicable" for any values will not be considered complete. It is the full responsibility of your municipality to complete the forms completely and accurately.

In order to receive the maximum grant amount listed above:

- The work must be completed **after** the contract execution date, but **before** June 30, 2026. The date that **all** forms are properly completed, signed, and returned to MOD by the municipality will be considered the contract execution date.
- MOD must receive and approve detailed, itemized invoices showing expenses incurred under the grant agreement. The invoices must represent approved expenditures as authorized in the attached *Grant Agreement document, Section 1: Project Scope*.
- A complete set of invoices should be sent to Evan George, Grant Compliance Coordinator, no later than July 10, 2026. Please submit all invoices together, along with a cover letter and before, during, and after photos of the project.
- Any invoices dated prior to the contract execution date or later than June 30, 2026, are

not eligible for grant funding; further, grant funds will not be released unless or until MOD receives and approves invoices for funding. Invoices received after July 10, 2026 may be rejected.

- The receipt of grant funds is contingent upon the grantee being able to certify that it will comply with the Massachusetts General Laws, including G.L. c. 40A, § 3A, the MBTA Communities Act. Compliance with the MBTA Communities Act is determined by the Executive Office of Housing and Livable Communities.
- If you anticipate any of these requirements being an issue, or if you no longer plan to pursue the approved project, please let us know so other applications can be considered.

If you have questions about the procurement process, please refer to your municipality's procurement personnel. MOD cannot answer questions about procurement. However, if you have grant questions related to these contracts or if you have other miscellaneous grant related questions, such as applicable architectural regulations, design questions or general disability related questions, please contact the Grant Compliance Coordinator, Evan George at Evan.George@Mass.Gov.

Thank you and congratulations!

Allan B. Motenko

Executive Director

Massachusetts Office on Disability

One Ashburton Place, Room 1305 Boston, MA 02108

Email: Allan.B.Motenko@mass.gov

Website: www.mass.gov/mod

CAUTION: This email originated outside our organization; please use caution.

**RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE SPRINGFIELD
COMMUNITY IMPACT AND STABILIZATION FUND IN CONNECTION WITH
THE SPRINGFIELD REGIONAL JUSTICE CENTER PUBLIC-PRIVATE
PARTNERSHIP LEASE**

CITY OF SPRINGFIELD
In the City Council April 13, 2026

WHEREAS, the Commonwealth of Massachusetts is proceeding with the development, financing, and operation of the Springfield Regional Justice Center (“Justice Center”), to replace the currently operational Roderick J. Ireland Courthouse, under a public-private partnership (“P3”) lease structure administered through the Department of Capital Asset Management and Maintenance (DCAMM); and

WHEREAS, the Justice Center houses the Hampden County Superior Court, Springfield District Court, and other judicial and court-related functions that serve the region and generate significant operational activity within the City of Springfield; and

WHEREAS, the project is being built with public support and continues to rely on public services, therefore a service-based contribution tied to lease payments is reasonable; and

WHEREAS, The City Council of Springfield believes that the presence and operation of a regional judicial complex creates ongoing impacts on municipal services, infrastructure, housing stability, transportation systems, emergency services, and quality-of-life conditions in the host community; and

WHEREAS, under the proposed P3 structure, the Commonwealth will make long-term lease payments to a private property owner over a period expected to extend forty (40) years or more, with possible extensions; and

WHEREAS, the impact fund payments being requested herein by the Springfield City Council would be designated as operating obligations paid out of project revenue from the Justice Center and from lease payments by the Commonwealth; and

WHEREAS, the impact fund payments being requested herein by the Springfield City Council are not taxes imposed on Commonwealth funding; and

WHEREAS, property taxation compensates the City primarily for land ownership and does not address the broader operational impacts associated with the long-term presence of a regional justice facility; and

WHEREAS, the Springfield City Council proposes a Service Level Agreement that establishes a Springfield Community Impact and Stabilization Fund (“Impact Fund”), funded by a percentage of gross lease payments associated with the Justice Center; and

WHEREAS, the Springfield City Council proposes that the Impact Fund would create a locally controlled municipal fund dedicated to mitigating long-term impacts associated with the Justice Center while ensuring transparency, auditability, and oversight by the Springfield City Council; and

WHEREAS, the Springfield City Council proposes that a local Impact Fund Commission be established to review proposals seeking funding from the Fund, based on allowed uses, with such a Commission recommending projects and proposals to the City Council for approval; and

WHEREAS, the proposed Impact Fund would not be for general budget use; and

WHEREAS, the proposed framework calculates contributions to the Impact Fund as a percentage of Gross Lease Payments from the new Courthouse Lease, which would be further defined as payments made by or on behalf of the Commonwealth before deductions, offsets, or expense netting; and

WHEREAS, the proposed framework further provides that such payments would constitute contractual consideration tied to the operational presence of the facility and would not replace property taxes, payments in lieu of taxes (PILOT), or other municipal obligations; and

WHEREAS, the proposed Impact Fund would support programs intended to mitigate the fiscal and community impacts associated with the Justice Center, including but not limited to, housing stabilization, historic preservation, open space and recreation, business impact mitigation, municipal infrastructure, emergency medical services access & transportation to healthcare, workforce development, animal welfare, climate resilience initiatives, and other community benefit programs approved by the City Council; and

WHEREAS, the proposed framework for the Impact Fund requested and contemplated herein includes safeguards designed to preserve fiscal integrity and public accountability, including minimum allocations, audit verification of lease payments, non-supplantation of core municipal operations, protections ensuring continuity of payments if ownership or control of the facility changes, and it ensures a portion of the project’s financial flow remains in the host community; and

WHEREAS, the Springfield City Council recognizes that early engagement with the Commonwealth, DCAMM, and the selected development entity is necessary to ensure that the host community’s interests are considered as the courthouse procurement process proceeds;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

1. Support for Impact Fund Concept

The Springfield City Council expresses its support for the establishment of a Springfield Community Impact and Stabilization Fund in connection with the Springfield Regional Justice Center.

2. Advocacy for Service Level Agreement

The City Council supports pursuing a Service Level Agreement or similar contractual mechanism requiring the developer or owner of the Justice Center to contribute a percentage of Gross Lease Payments to the City of Springfield for deposit into the Impact Fund.

3. Use of Impact Funds

The City Council affirms its request that the proposed Impact Fund be used exclusively for purposes that mitigate the fiscal, infrastructure, service, and quality-of-life impacts associated with the Justice Center and that such expenditures would be subject to City Council oversight and approval.

4. Protection of Municipal Interests

The City Council supports the implementation of Impact Fund provisions ensuring that:

- Contributions are calculated from Gross Lease Payments before deductions;
- Payments remain in effect for the duration of the lease and any extensions;
- Obligations continue in the event of ownership transfer or state assumption;
- Funds remain locally controlled and separate from the City's general fund.

5. Engagement with State Officials

The City Council encourages the City's legislative delegation, municipal administration, and relevant state agencies, including DCAMM, to review and consider the proposed framework to ensure that the interests of the host community are addressed during the courthouse procurement process.

6. Transmission

The City Clerk is directed to transmit a copy of this resolution to:

- The Springfield Legislative Delegation
- The Mayor of the City of Springfield

- The Department of Capital Asset Management and Maintenance (DCAMM)
- The Office of the State Auditor
- The Governor of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Adopted by the Springfield City Council
on this 13th day of April, 2026.

ORDER ESTABLISHING A PILOT FOR PUBLIC SPEAK-OUT DURING REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS

ORDERED, that the Springfield City Council hereby establishes a **pilot procedure** permitting **Public Speak-Out to occur during regular City Council meetings on non-hearing nights**, subject to the following conditions:

1. **Applicability**

This pilot shall apply **only to regular City Council meetings that are not designated as hearing nights**. Public Speak-Out shall not occur on nights when public hearings are scheduled.

2. **Agenda Placement**

Public Speak-Out shall occur **after Roll Call, Moment of Silence, and the Pledge of Allegiance**, and **before reports, orders, ordinances, and other legislative business**.

3. **Speaker Limits**

Public Speak-Out shall be limited to **eight (8) speakers per meeting**, with a **three (3) minute time limit per speaker**.

4. **Scope of Remarks**

Speakers shall address only matters relating to the **affairs of the City of Springfield** and shall not address:

- Matters scheduled for a public hearing; or
- Matters that have already been the subject of a public hearing and are awaiting final disposition.

5. **Sign-Up Procedure**

Speaker sign-ups shall be **first-come, first-served**, administered by the **City Clerk or City Council staff**, with a clearly established cutoff time.

6. **Council Response**

Public Speak-Out shall not constitute a public hearing. Members of the City Council shall **not engage in debate or responses** during Public Speak-Out.

7. **Decorum and Enforcement**

All speakers shall comply with the City Council Rules and Orders. The **Council President** shall retain full authority to enforce time limits and maintain order.

8. **Pilot Period**

This pilot shall remain in effect for **ninety (90) days** from adoption. At the conclusion of the pilot, the City Council shall evaluate its effectiveness and determine next steps.

9. **No Permanent Rule Change**

This Order establishes a pilot only and shall not permanently amend the City Council Rules and Orders absent further action.

ORDERED, that the City Clerk shall post notice of this pilot and implement all administrative steps necessary for execution.