Department of Community Affairs FLORIDA BUILDING COMMISSION 2555 Shumard Oak Boulevard Tallahassee, Florida 32399-2100

NOTICE TO WAIVER APPLICANTS

Please make certain you comply with the following:

- The person submitting the waiver request application as the Applicant MUST sign the application. Should you fail to do so, your application will be returned.
- If a licensed design professional (architect or engineer) has designed the project, his or her comments MUST be included as a part of this application.
- Be as explicit as possible. The more information provided to the Florida Building Commission, the more informed its decisions can be. If you are claiming financial hardship, please specify why and to what degree.
- If at all possible, PLAN TO ATTEND the Accessibility Advisory Council and the Florida Building Commission meetings. Sometimes pertinent facts are inadvertently omitted, or information provided/presented in the Request for Waiver application is not clear. Your attendance at the meetings to answer questions will enhance the possibility of the waiver being approved, since the Council and the Commission will receive the most complete information from you. When we receive the completed application, we will send you a notice of the time, date, and place for both the Council and the Commission meetings.

Enclosed is a List of Required Information and the Request for Waiver application.

If you have any questions or would like additional information, please call the Codes and Standards Section at (850) 487-1824.

Please mail this application to the Department of Community Affairs at the address above. As well as a hard copy, please include a copy of the application and drawings or plans on a CD in PDF format. NOTE: Please do not send CAD files, but rather scan the CAD files and save as a pdf. Must be in Microsoft Compatible format.

NOTE: Failure to submit electronically will not have any bearing on whether your petition is heard by the Commission, however, electronic filing will facilitate the Commission's movement toward utilizing CD technology to display the waiver application and attached floor plans to the Counsel and Commission.

This application is available in alternate formats upon request. LIST OF REQUIRED INFORMATION: 1. ___X___ Drawings that will clearly present your project and that identify the issue(s) that relate to the waiver you are requesting. As a minimum, the following drawings must be submitted: Project site plan a. b. 24" x 36" minimum size drawings Building/project sections (if necessary to assist in understanding the waiver request) Enlarged floor plan(s) of the area in question d. 2. ___ X___ One set of reduced scale (11" x 17") versions of the drawings submitted in item one above. 3. ___ X___ One set of overhead transparencies (8 ½" x 11") of the drawings submitted in item one above. When numerous features are shown on the drawings, please designate the location of the waiver items by highlighting or outlining in color the affected areas. 4. ____ When substantial financial cost of compliance is alleged, supporting cost estimates with quotes from at least two vendors or contractors and catalog information. 5. _____ If you feel photographs and/or renderings are necessary for your presentation, provide 40 legible color photocopies of the photographs and/or renderings. If color photocopies

General Information:

photographs per photocopied page.

a. **Equipment:** A CD projector is provided at the Accessibility Advisory Council and Florida Building Commission meetings. Any other equipment necessary for your presentation, such as an overhead projector, TV/VCR, slide or LCD projectors, etc., is the responsibility of the applicant.

of photographs are provided, use a minimum size of 4" x 6" photographs with a maximum of two

6. X Please submit a hard copy of this application to the Department of Community Affairs. PLEASE NOTE: Although not required by Rule 9B-7, F.A.C., in addition to the hard copy please include a copy of the application and drawings or plans on a CD in PDF format.

b. **Verbal Descriptions:** Presentations may be to sight or hearing impaired persons; visual presentations should consider adequate verbal and text descriptions of charts and pictures.

Your application will be reviewed by the Accessibility Advisory Council. You will have the opportunity to answer questions and/or make a short presentation **not to exceed 15 minutes**. The Council will provide recommendations to the Florida Building Commission. The Commission will review the application. You will have another opportunity to answer questions and /or give a short presentation **not to exceed 15 minutes**. The Commission will consider all information and the Council's recommendation before voting on the waiver.

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REQUEST FOR WAIVER FROM ACCESSIBILITY REQUIREMENTS OF CHAPTER 553, PART V, FLORIDA STATUTES

Your application will be reviewed by the Accessibility Advisory Council and its recommendations will be presented to the Florida Building Commission. You will have the opportunity to answer questions and/or make a short presentation, not to exceed 15 minutes, at each meeting. The Commission will consider all information presented and the Council's recommendation before voting on the waiver request.

1. Name and address of project for which the waiver is requested.					
Name: Barry University School of Law					
Address: 6441 East Colonial Drive, Orlando FL 32807					
2. Name of Applicant. If other than the owner, please indicate relationship of applicant to owner and written authorization by owner in space provided:					
Applicant's Name: Stephen Belflower, AIA, HuntonBrady Architects					
Applicant's Address: 800 N. Magnolia Ave., Suite 600, Orlando, FL 32803					
Applicant's Telephone: 407-839-0886 FAX: 407-839-1709					
Applicant's E-mail Address: sbelflower@huntonbrady.com					
Relationship to Owner: Architect, Principal in Charge, Vice President					
Owner's Name: Vince Perry					
Owner's Address: 6441 East Colonial Drive, Orlando FL 32807					
Owner's Telephone: 321-206-5605 FAX 321-206-5620					
Owner's E-mail Address: vperry@mail.barry.edu					
Signature of Owner:					
Contact Person: Thomas Hagood, AIA, Associate/Project Manager					
Contact Person's Telephone: 407-839-0886 E-mail Address: thagood@huntonbrady.com					

This application is available in alternate formats upon request. Form No. 2001-01 3. Please check one of the following:
[X] New construction.
[] Addition to a building or facility.
[] Alteration to an existing building or facility.
[] Historical preservation (addition).
[] Historical preservation (alteration).
4. Type of facility. Please describe the building (square footage, number of floors). Define the use of the building (i.e., restaurant, office, retail, recreation, hotel/motel, etc.)
The project is a three story building with 32,500 gross square feet. It will be constructed on the
existing campus and it's primary purpose is to provide additional instructional space for
students.
5. Project Construction Cost (Provide cost for new construction, the addition or the alteration): Approximately \$4,800,000
6. Project Status: Please check the phase of construction that best describes your project at the time of this application. Describe status.
[] Under Design [] Under Construction*
[X] In Plan Review [] Completed*
* Briefly explain why the request has now been referred to the Commission.
The Orange County Building Department recommended that we submit for the accessibility
waiver to acquire a building permit for construction.

7. **Requirements requested to be waived.** Please reference the applicable section of Florida law. Only Florida-specific accessibility requirements may be waived.

Issue

- 1: A waiver is required because FBC 11-4.1.3(5) requires vertical accessibility to all levels in a building.

 Space has been provided on the ground level front row of seating in the Classrooms 110 and 111

 for accessible seating for (3) students but the six raised tiers for student seating are not accessible.
- 8. **Reason(s) for Waiver Request:** The Florida Building Commission may grant waivers of Florida-specific accessibility requirements upon a determination of unnecessary, unreasonable or extreme hardship. Please describe how this project meets the following hardship criteria. Explain all that would apply for consideration of granting the waiver.
- [X] The hardship is caused by a condition or set of conditions affecting the owner which does not affect owners in general.

Providing ramps with access to each tiered seating level for students in Classrooms 110 and 111 would require a sophisticated ramp system with landings at all six levels. The space required for this ramp system would require a redesign of the ground floor plan and a reduction in the number of students that could be seated in each classroom. The tiered seating is preferred to provide optimum site lines for students in all seating locations. It also allows for more interaction between students and the instructor due to improved site lines and acoustics.

[X] Substantial financial costs will be incurred by the owner if the waiver is denied.

If the waiver is denied, the number of students that can be served by the new classrooms would have to be reduced to accommodate a ramp system therefore the number of students that can be enrolled in the law degree program would have to be reconsidered. There would also be substantial redesign and construction delay. The only other option would be to remove the tiers altogether which would result in poor site lines and acoustics to those students seated in the back rows.

[X] The owner has made a **diligent investigation** into the costs of compliance with the code, but cannot find an efficient mode of compliance. Provide detailed cost estimates and, where appropriate, photographs. Cost estimates must include bids and quotes.

Cost impacts were discussed with the owner and contractor but they were too prohibitive for further exploration. The only alternative to meet the current construction budget would be to remove all of the tiers in both classrooms and provide a sloped floor.

9. Provide documented cost estimates for each portion of the waiver request and identify any additional supporting data which may affect the cost estimates. For example, for vertical accessibility, the lowest documented cost of an elevator, ramp, lift or other method of providing vertical accessibility should be provided, documented by quotations or bids from at least two vendors or contractors.

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10. Licensed Design Professional: Where a licensed design professional has designed the project, his or her comments MUST be included and certified by signature and affixing of his or her professional seal. The comments must include the reason(s) why the waiver is necessary.

HuntonBrady Architects believes that the three accessible seating designations on the ground floor front row of Classrooms 110 and 111 will adequately serve the student population at the Barry University School of Law. By removing the tiers in the classroom, we would be penalizing any student who sits in the back rows with reduced visibility and acoustics.

Stephen Belflower, AIA

Printed Name

Phone number_407-839-0886_

(SEAL)

Signature

CERTIFICATION OF APPLICANT:

I hereby swear or affirm that the applicable documents in support of this Request for Waiver are attached for review by the Florida Building Commission and that all statements made in this application are to the best of my knowledge true and correct.

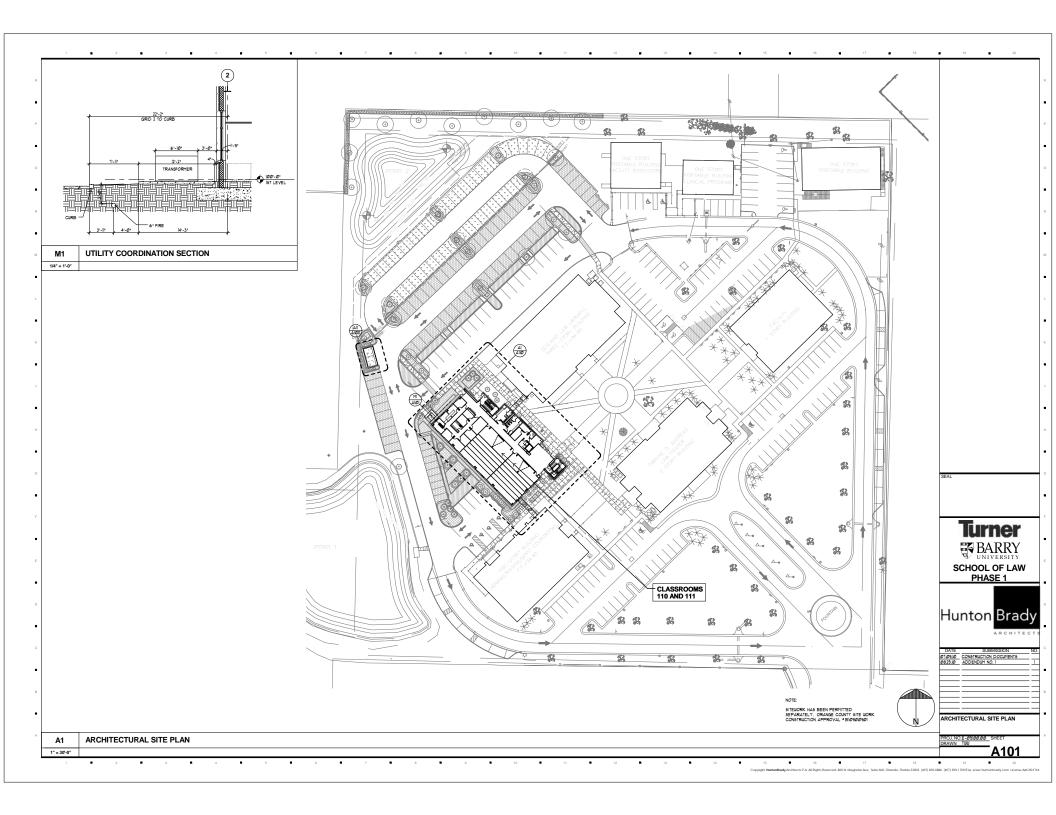
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Printed Name		

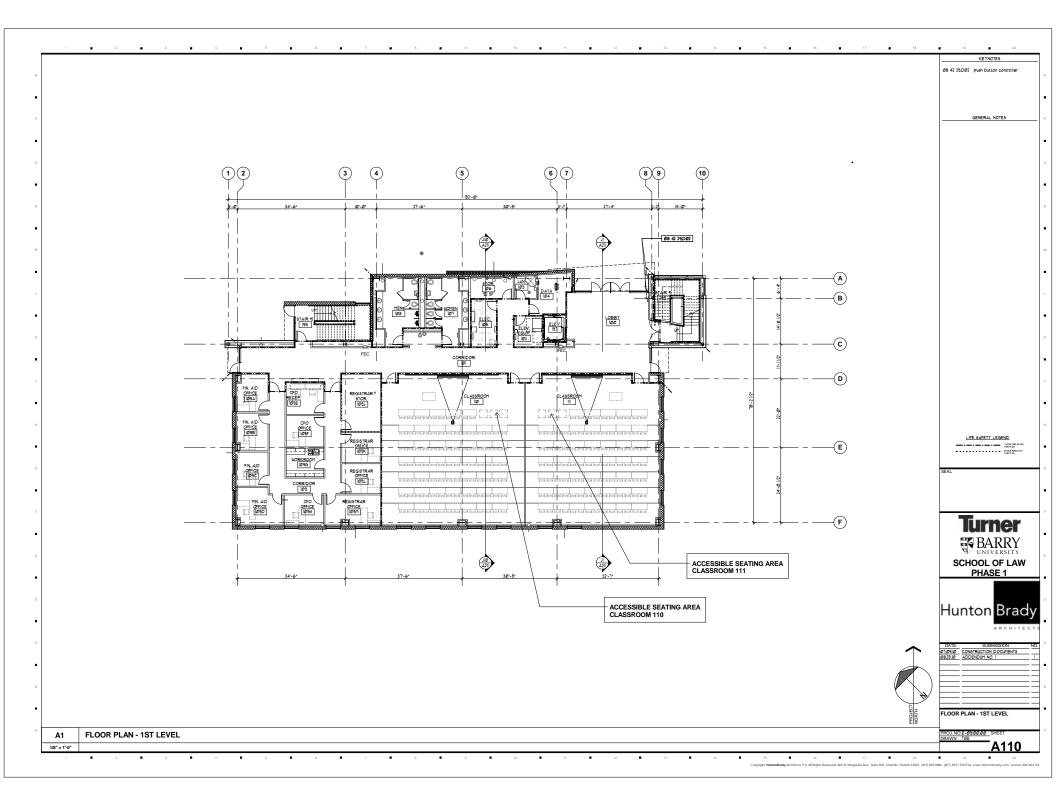
By signing this application, the applicant represents that the information in it is true, accurate and complete. If the applicant misrepresents or omits any material information, the Commission may revoke any order and will notify the building official of the permitting jurisdiction. Providing false information to the Commission is punishable as a misdemeanor under Section 775.083, Florida Statutes.

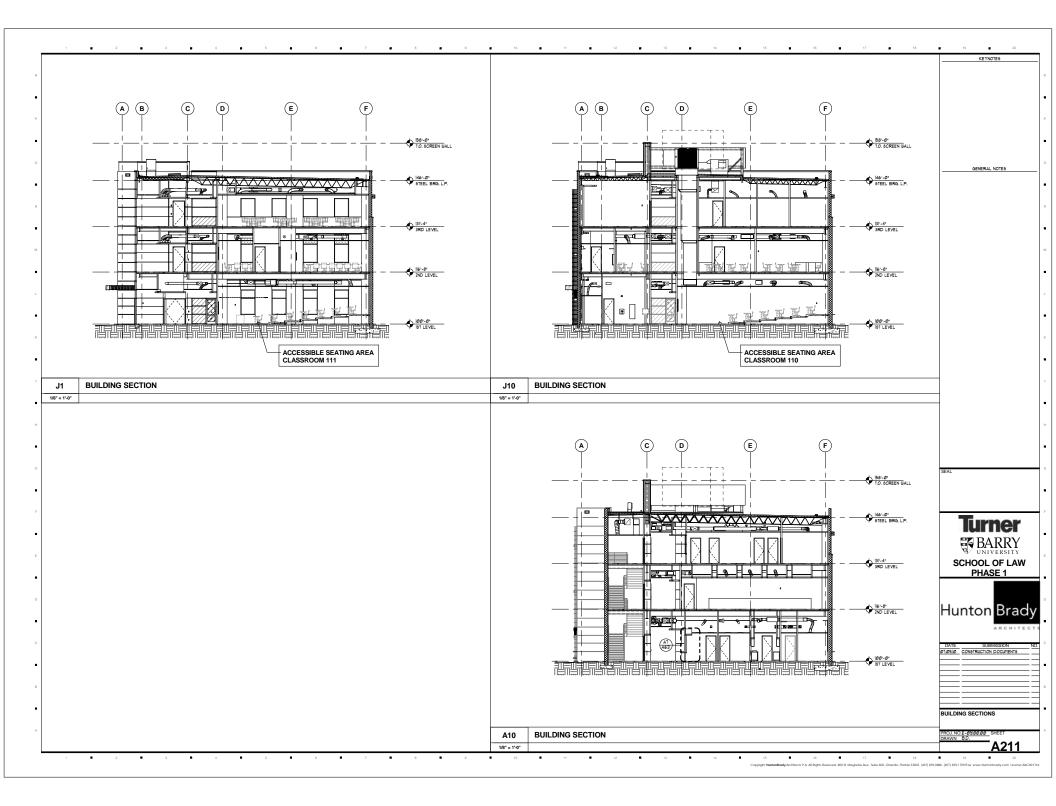
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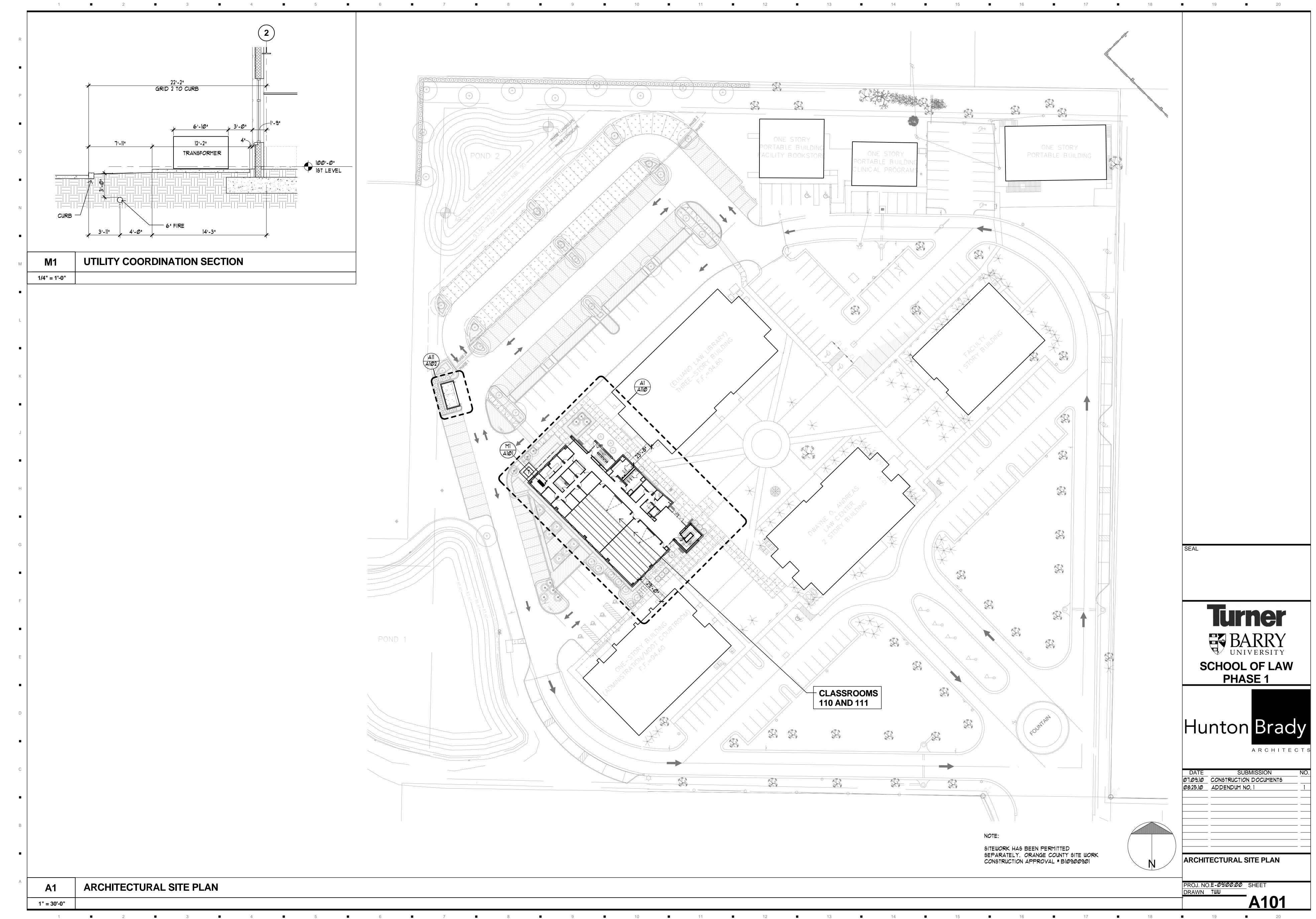
Please state why the issue is being referred to the Florida Building Commission as well as a recommendation for disposition. The Building Official or his or her designee should review the application and indicate that to the best of his or her knowledge, all information stipulated herein is true and accurate. Further, if this project is complete, explain why it is being referred to the Commission. The Building Official or his or her designee should sign a copy of the plans accompanying this application as certification that such plans are the same as those submitted for building department review. Please reference the applicable section of the Accessibility Code.

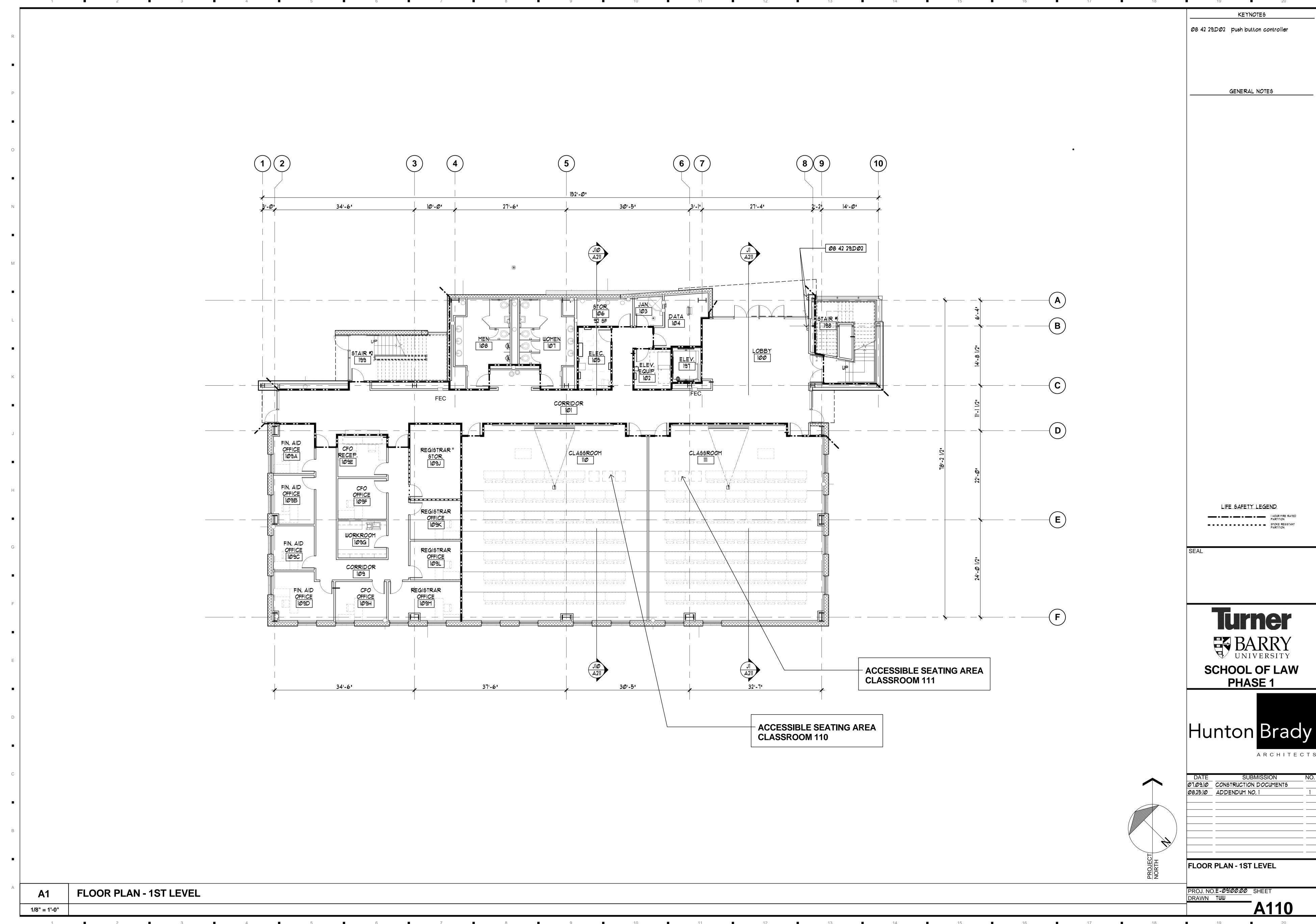
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[] Yes [] No Cost of Construction
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Building Official or Designee Signature Signature
Printed Name
Your 944 Certification Number
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