

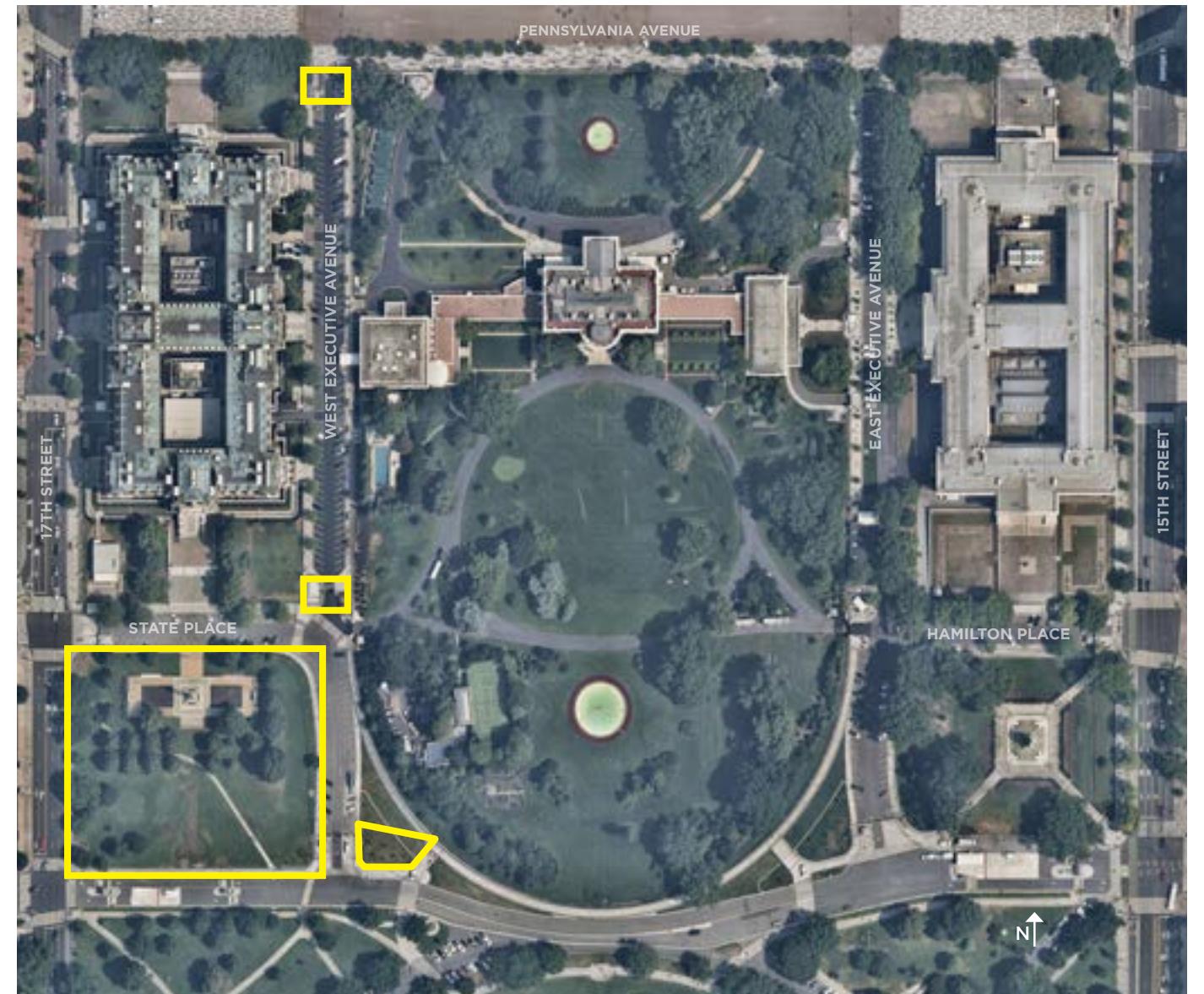
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THE WHITE HOUSE AND PRESIDENT'S PARK
FOUR CORNERS PROJECT

TEMPORARY FENCING: WEST EXECUTIVE AVENUE & FIRST DIVISION MONUMENT

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1. PROJECT OVERVIEW

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1.1 AGENCIES AND PROJECT SUMMARY

The National Park Service (NPS), United States Department of the Interior, and the United States Secret Service (USSS) proposes temporary additions and permanent upgrades to existing perimeter security barriers at the periphery of the White House complex in President's Park. The project is being designed in two stages.

Permanent perimeter security upgrades are currently in schematic design development. These concepts will be submitted as a future review.

Temporary additions to existing fencing are immediately needed to meet the present site security requirements of the USSS until permanent improvements can be designed and implemented, a period of approximately three years. The project area for temporary interventions consists of West Executive Avenue and the First Division Monument Grounds, which are located in President's Park. At the First Division Monument grounds, barrier fencing will be installed and a new pedestrian approach to the monument that meets the Architectural Barriers Act (ABA) requirements is proposed. The areas under consideration for this project review are shown in Figure 1.1.1.

All improvements must comply with design and aesthetic requirements of the NPS in President's Park as well as other White House complex stakeholders including the Treasury and GSA.



FIGURE 1.1.1 PRESIDENT'S PARK, WASHINGTON, D.C., WITH WHITE STARS INDICATING INDIVIDUAL PROJECT SITES.

1. PROJECT OVERVIEW

1.2 DESCRIPTION OF PROJECT AREA AND AREA OF POTENTIAL EFFECTS

The project area falls within the Monumental Core of the District of Columbia (D.C.) and is at the heart of the Central Washington Planning Area of the National Capital Planning Commission's (NCPC) Comprehensive Plan for the National Capital (Comprehensive Plan) adopted on June 6, 2024. The project location is entirely on federal land in President's Park, an 82-acre park that serves as the setting for the White House and other federal buildings as well as memorials and monuments. Jurisdictional control, stewardship, and oversight responsibilities for the White House and President's Park are shared by various departments and the District of Columbia. Pennsylvania Avenue to the north of the project area is managed by NPS and the arterial streets (15th Street on the east periphery of the park and 17th Street on the west) are managed by the District of Columbia Department of Transportation (DDOT).

NPS has developed a draft Area of Potential Effects (APE) for the permanent project that includes the areas from which the project sites are readily visible, as well as resources that could be impacted due to changes in the character of site improvements (Figure 1.2.1). The surrounding historic resources include buildings, structures, sites, districts, cultural landscapes, and significant views and vistas. NPS will work with the DC SHPO and other consulting parties to finalize a formal determination of effect through the Section 106 consultation process. NPS is prepared to work with the DC SHPO and other consulting parties to avoid, minimize, or mitigate potential adverse effects of the proposed project on historic resources within the APE.

The temporary improvements will be in place for approximately three years. This project follows the standard Section 106 review process as required by the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (NHPA).

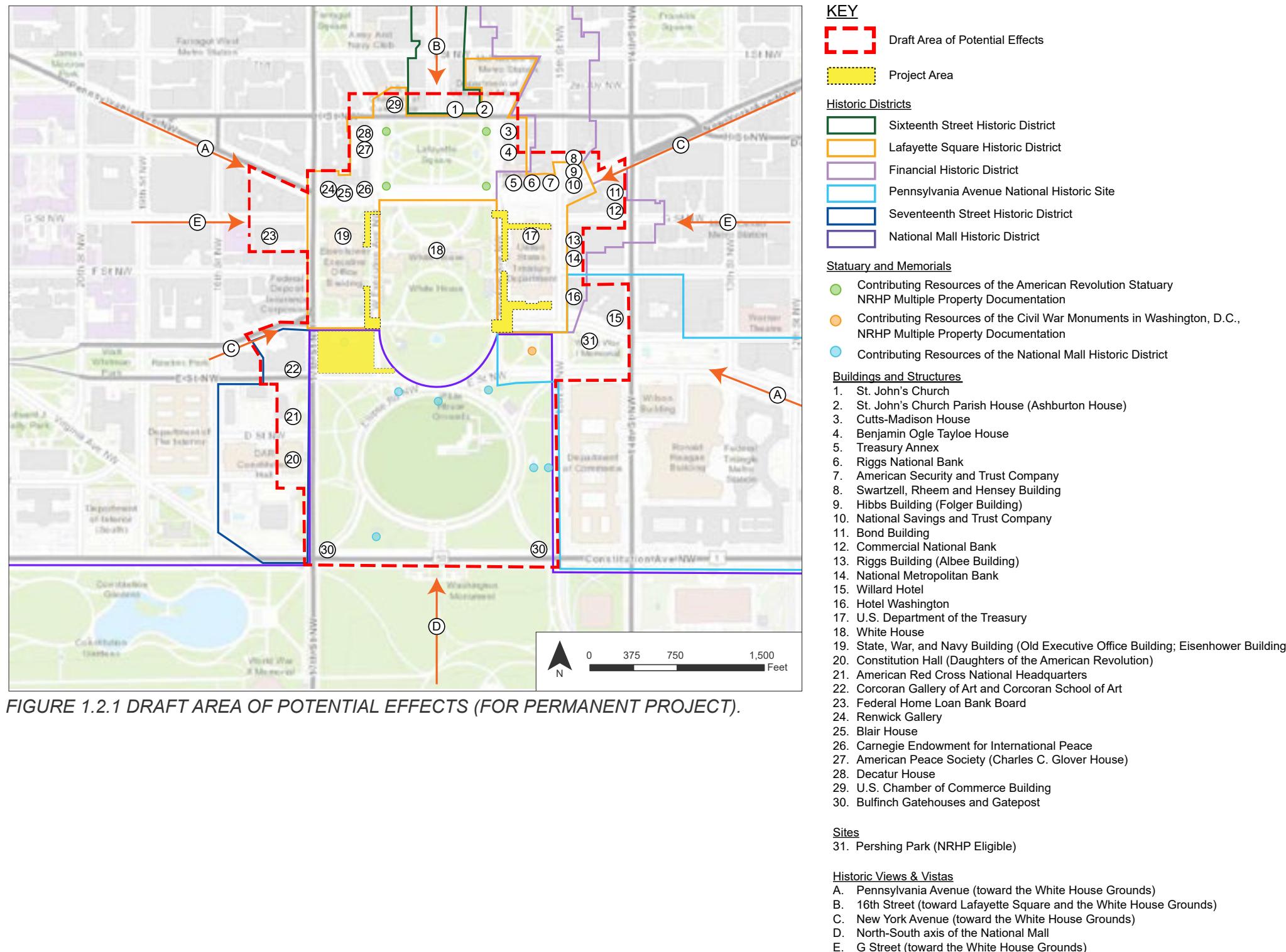


FIGURE 1.2.1 DRAFT AREA OF POTENTIAL EFFECTS (FOR PERMANENT PROJECT).

1. PROJECT OVERVIEW

1.3 DESCRIPTION OF PROJECT

The primary objective of the Four Corners Project is to improve the physical security barriers within the project area to meet current USSS requirements while both complying with the design and aesthetic requirements of government and agency stakeholders and preserving historic resources. The project area involves White House Complex perimeter security elements located in President's Park and is divided into four sub-areas known as the "Four Corners." These sub-areas are generally located at the north and south ends of West Executive Avenue and East Executive Avenue and are highlighted in yellow in Figure 1.3.1. Also as part of the Four Corners Project, a permanent accessible walkway will be installed in the First Division Monument grounds.

Temporary security measures within the sub-areas and within the First Division Monument grounds are needed to support USSS operations until the permanent features can be designed and installed. The Government estimates the temporary security measures will be in place for a period of about three years.

Due to the visibility of the fences, gates, and officer booths within historically sensitive landscapes and viewsheds and their proximity to National Register and National Register-eligible resources, proposed exterior improvements will be compatible with the massing, sizes, scales, and architectural features of adjacent historic resources. Changes to contributing features of cultural landscapes shall be avoided or minimized.

- PERMANENT PERIMETER SECURITY UPGRADES
- TEMPORARY MESH FENCE (10 FT HT) PREVIOUSLY INSTALLED
- TEMPORARY MESH FENCE (8 FT HT) PREVIOUSLY INSTALLED
- TEMPORARY MESH FENCE (8 FT HT) PROPOSED
- TEMPORARY SPIKES ON EXISTING FENCES PREVIOUSLY INSTALLED
- TEMPORARY SPIKES ON EXISTING FENCES PROPOSED
- TEMPORARY DECORATIVE FENCE (4 FT HT)
- TEMPORARY METAL PICKET FENCE (8 FT HT)
- PERMANENT ABA-COMPLIANT PAVED WALK
- TEMPORARY FENCE TO BE SUBMITTED AS SEPARATE PROJECT

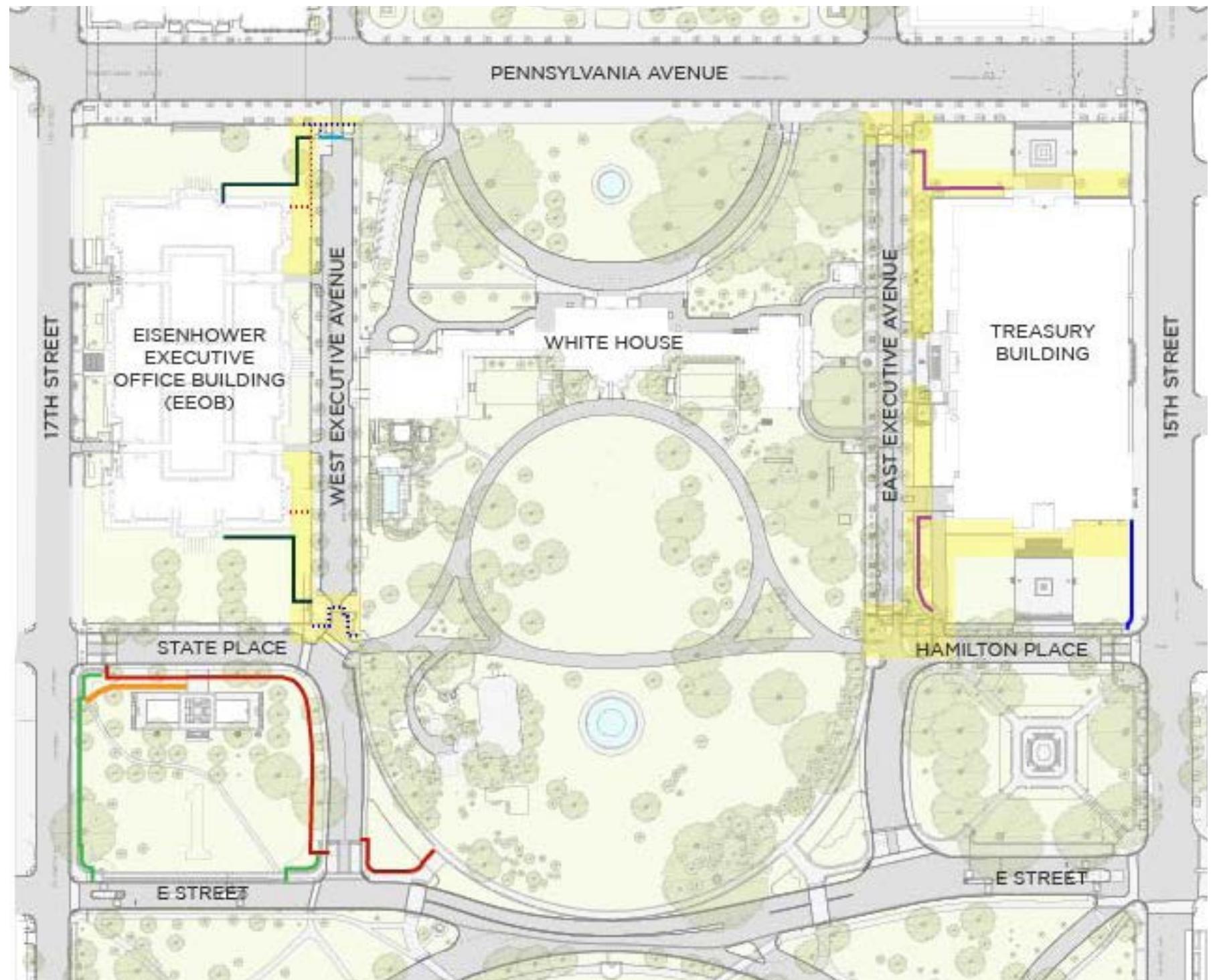


FIGURE 1.3.1 PLAN DIAGRAM DEPICTING TEMPORARY PERIMETER SECURITY FEATURES AND PERMANENT ACCESSIBLE PEDESTRIAN PATH.

1. PROJECT OVERVIEW

1.3 DESCRIPTION OF PROJECT

In Fall 2024, temporary perimeter security features were installed at the EEOB and the Treasury Building, respectively. These installations included freestanding anti-climb mesh fence panels in the north and south lawns of the buildings and the attachment of anti-climb spikes on existing decorative metal perimeter fences at the EEOB. (Figure 1.3.2)

Proposed temporary perimeter security features (Figure 1.3.3) include temporary anti-climb mesh fences at the north end of West Executive Avenue, temporary spikes at existing fences on both ends of West Executive Avenue, and temporary metal picket fences in the First Division Monument grounds. Temporary perimeter security features that may be needed in East Executive Avenue will be submitted under separate cover. A permanent paved walkway will be built to provide ABA-compliant access to the First Division Monument.

Proposed permanent perimeter security upgrades (Figure 1.3.4) are currently in the conceptual design phase. A future submission will provide details regarding the permanent perimeter security project.



FIGURE 1.3.2 PREVIOUSLY INSTALLED TEMPORARY PERIMETER SECURITY FEATURES.

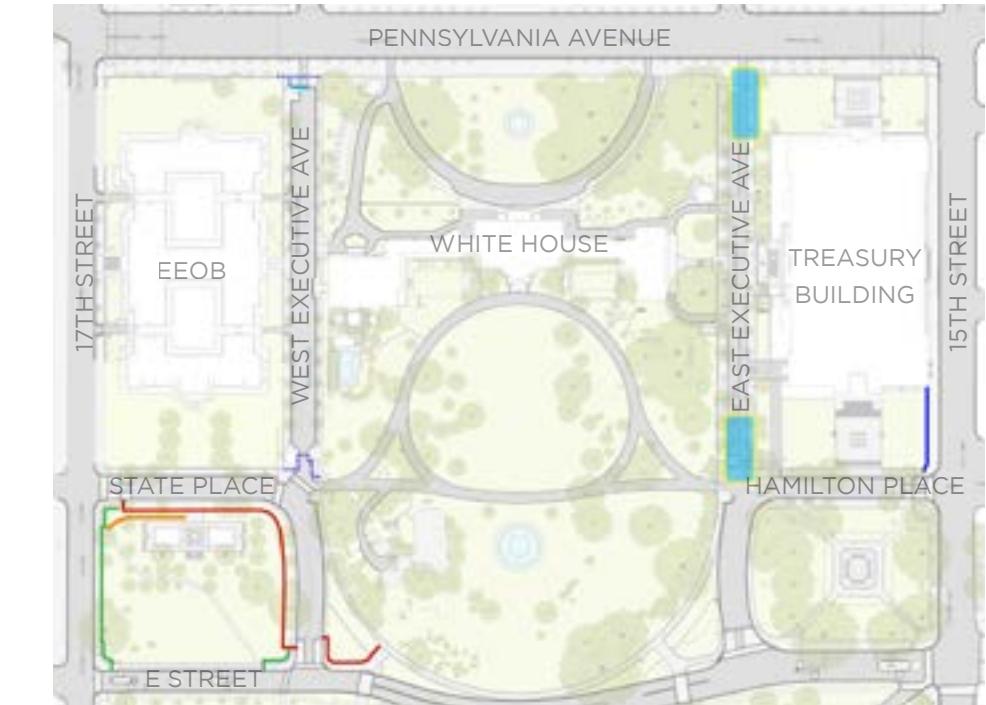


FIGURE 1.3.3 PROPOSED TEMPORARY PERIMETER SECURITY FEATURES.



FIGURE 1.3.4 PRELIMINARY AREAS UNDER CONSIDERATION FOR PERMANENT PERIMETER SECURITY UPGRADES.

1. PROJECT OVERVIEW

1.4 OUTREACH AND COORDINATION

The applicant has held one virtual project meeting with CFA Staff as part of the Pre-Submission process. The meeting was held on September 25, 2025 jointly with representatives from National Capital Planning Commission and Commission of Fine Arts.

The applicant has initiated the Section 106 review process. Letters were sent to the Consulting Parties on December, 24, 2025 and a draft Area of Potential Effects has been identified for the permanent project. A list of Consulting Parties to the Section 106 process is provided in Section 3 of this report.

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1.5 SCHEDULE AND COST ESTIMATE

The temporary perimeter security features are presented as a single project but the Government will construct the West Executive Avenues features separately from the First Division Monument features. The temporary features are intended to be in place for approximately three years. The permanent features will be submitted for review at a later date and are intended to replace the temporary features.

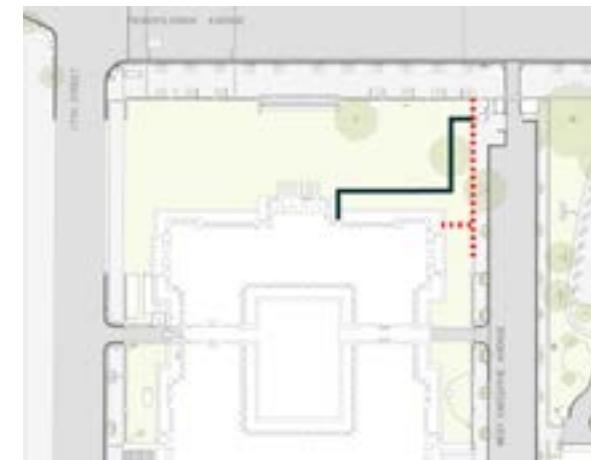
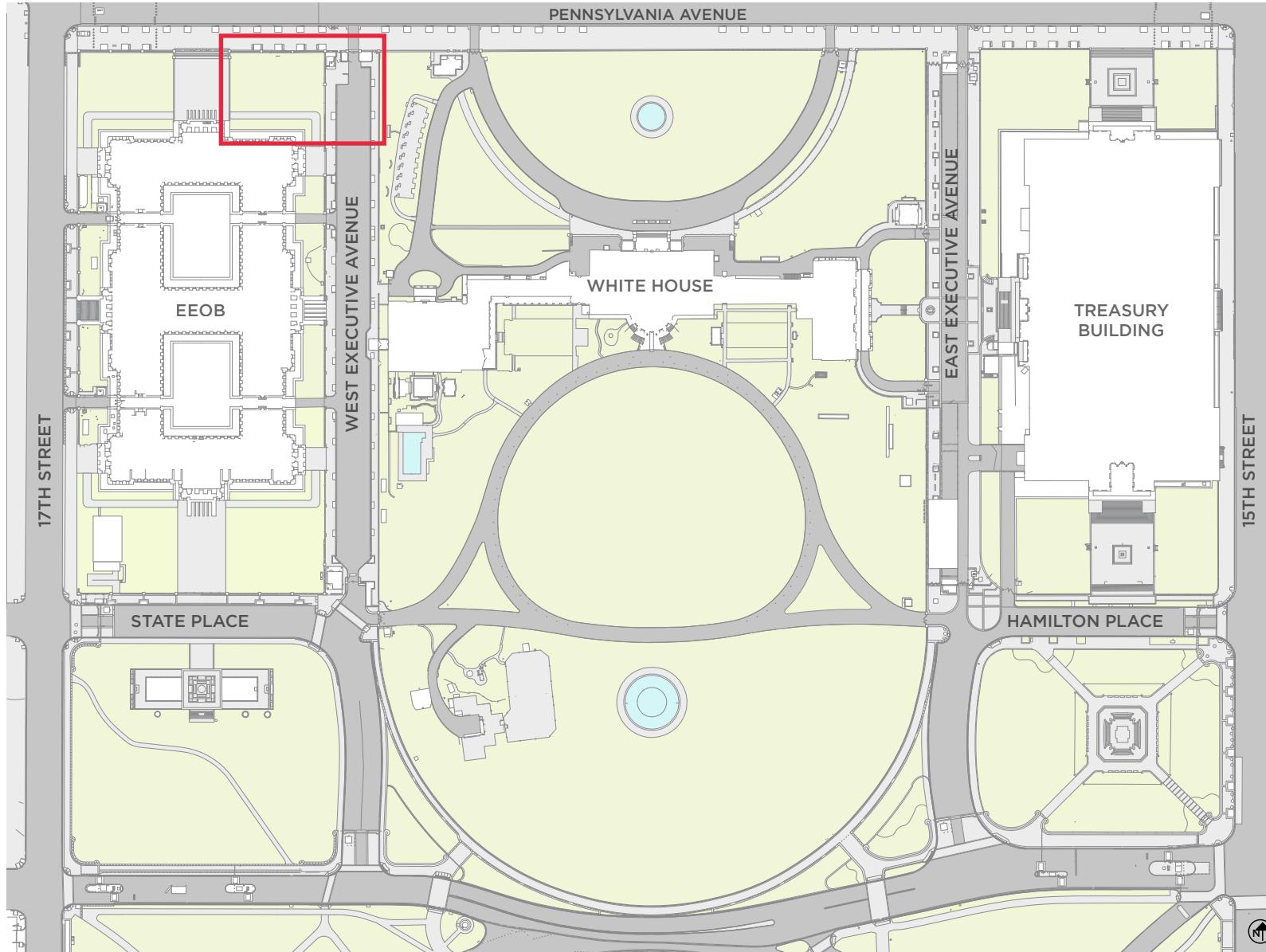
The schedule below provides a summary of the intended project schedule with key phases and milestones:

- Temporary Features at EEOB – installed Fall 2024
- Temporary Features at Treasury Building – installed Fall 2024
- Temporary Features at West Executive Avenue - installed by May 2026
- Temporary Features at First Division Monument - installed by May 2026
- Permanent Features - TBD

Construction funding for the temporary features to be installed at West Executive Avenue and at the First Division Monument: \$2,900,000.

2. DETAILED PROJECT INFORMATION

2.1 WEST EXECUTIVE AVENUE AT PENNSYLVANIA AVENUE



PREVIOUSLY INSTALLED TEMPORARY
PERIMETER SECURITY FEATURES.



PROPOSED TEMPORARY PERIMETER
SECURITY FEATURES.

- TEMPORARY MESH FENCE (8 FT HT) PREVIOUSLY INSTALLED
- TEMPORARY MESH FENCE (8 FT HT) PROPOSED
- TEMPORARY SPIKES ON EXISTING FENCES PREVIOUSLY INSTALLED
- TEMPORARY SPIKES ON EXISTING FENCES PROPOSED

Note: Temporary perimeter security features to remain for approximately 3 years until permanent features replace them.

2.1 WEST EXECUTIVE AVE AT PENNSYLVANIA AVE

EXISTING CONDITIONS

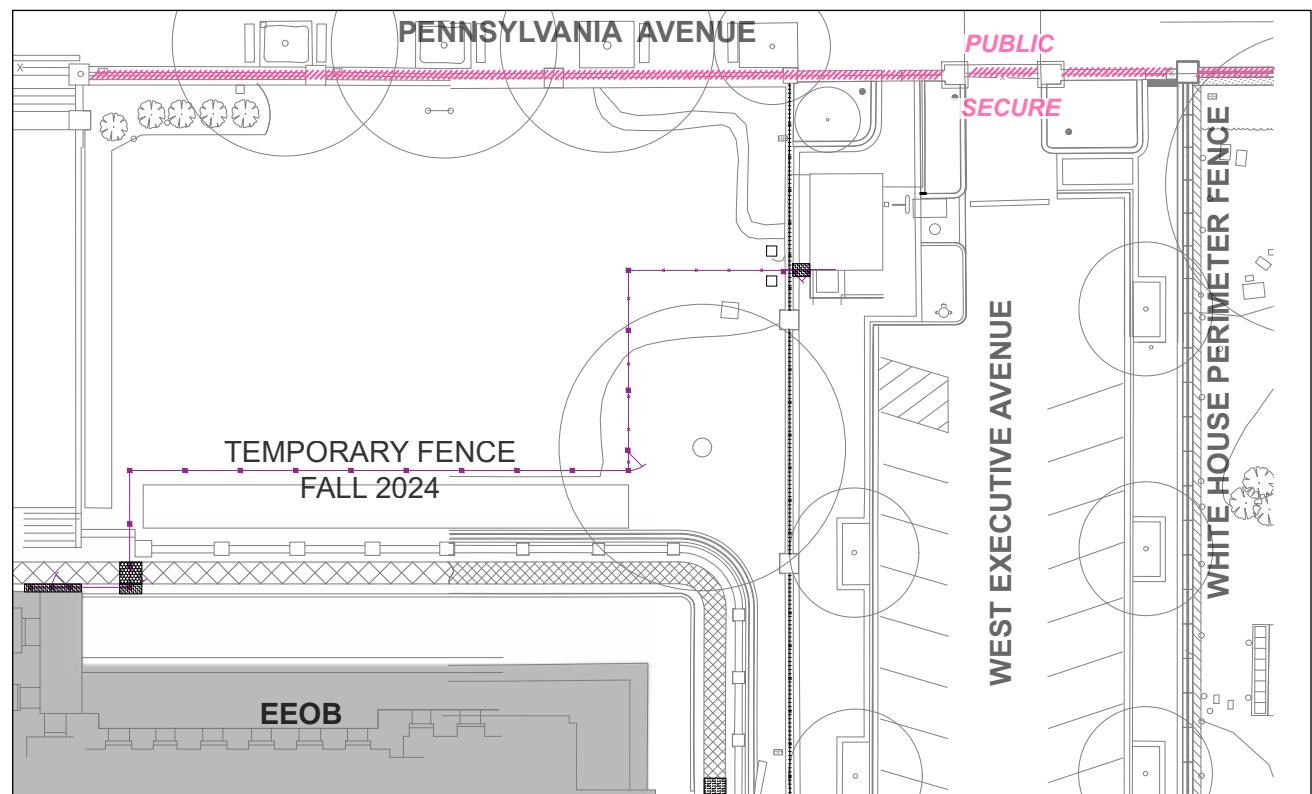
The project area includes the northeast lawn of the EEOB and the northern extent of West Executive Avenue. The project is within the secure perimeter of President's Park, which is established by a fence line that extends along the southern side of Pennsylvania Avenue.

In Fall 2024, temporary anti-climb mesh fences were erected in the northeast lawn of the EEOB and anti-climb spikes were temporarily installed on two runs of existing decorative metal fences. These temporary perimeter security features will remain in place until permanent features can replace them.

This project focuses on an existing fence that extends from the northwest corner pier of the White House grounds to the northeast corner pier of the EEOB north lawn, a distance of approximately 70 feet. The fence defines the secure perimeter at this location, with Pennsylvania Avenue being open to the public and West Executive Avenue being secure. Comprising a decorative metal picket fence with fleur-de-lis finials, two pedestrian gates, and one double-leaf vehicular gate, the existing six-foot-tall fence was installed circa 1937. The existing officer booth at the northern part of West Executive Avenue was put into operation in 2005 and the vehicle gates were refurbished between 2011 and 2020. These gates are primarily used for passholders entering to the White House and the EEOB. On the secure side of the perimeter fence, low planters with parged concrete walls flank the West Executive Avenue asphalt road.



AERIAL SHOWING TEMPORARY FENCE IN THE NE LAWN (INSTALLED FALL 2024) AND EXISTING PERIMETER FENCE AT WEST EXECUTIVE AVENUE (2025, NTS).



WEST EXECUTIVE AVENUE AT PENNSYLVANIA AVENUE, TEMPORARY FENCE IN THE NE LAWN (INSTALLED FALL 2024). EXISTING SECURE PERIMETER INDICATED IN PINK.

2.1 WEST EXECUTIVE AVE AT PENNSYLVANIA AVE

EXISTING CONDITIONS



VIEW OF FENCE AND GATES LOOKING SOUTH FROM PENNSYLVANIA AVENUE. FENCE SEPARATES THE PUBLIC SIDE (PENNSYLVANIA AVE.) FROM THE SECURE SIDE BEYOND.



EXISTING PEDESTRIAN GATE INTERIOR, LOOKING NORTH FROM SECURE SIDE. TEMPORARY SPIKES TO BE ADDED TO EXISTING FENCE TOP RAIL.



RAISED PLANTERS AND PERIMETER FENCING, LOOKING NORTH ALONG WEST EXECUTIVE AVENUE. PROPOSED ANTI-CLIMB MESH TO BE INSTALLED NEAR RAISED PLANTERS (FOREGROUND).



RAISED PLANTER AND VEHICLE GATE PIER WITH FENCE AND OFFICER BOOTH BEYOND, LOOKING WEST. A PORTION OF THIS PLANTER WILL BE DEMOLISHED.

2.1 WEST EXECUTIVE AVE AT PENNSYLVANIA AVE PROPOSED TEMPORARY PERIMETER SECURITY FEATURES

Temporary variable height spikes will be installed along the top rails of existing ornamental metal fencing at the north end of West Executive Avenue (indicated in red on Figure 2.1.1). The spikes will be mounted to the existing metalwork in such a way that they do not leave any permanent marks upon removal. The proposed spikes will be similar in design, fabrication, and installation to those affixed to the existing fences and walls at the EEOB that were installed in Fall 2024.

The proposed anti-climb fencing (shown in blue on Figure 2.1.1) will be installed within the West Executive Avenue roadway to the south of the existing fence and gates (i.e., on the protected side of the existing fence line). It will consist of 8-foot-tall mesh panels supported by metal posts and will require a manually-operated double-leaf vehicular gate. Variable height will be affixed to the tops of the anti-climb mesh panels. The fencing will be similar in design and construction to the temporary anti-climb fencing that was approved for the northeast and southeast courtyards of the EEOB in Fall 2024 and the variable height spikes will match the spikes that were attached to existing fences.

The metal posts will be anchored to above-grade ballasts to avoid damage to the existing paved roadway and sidewalk surfaces. The ballasts will be installed continuously along the lengths of the fences to give the appearance of low knee walls. The finish and color of the ballasts will be designed to harmonize with the low wall at the base of the White House fence. The ballasts will be approximately 16 inches tall and 24 inches wide but will be larger at the proposed vehicular swing gates. The proposed alignment extends from an existing ornamental metal fence along the west side of West Executive Avenue to the existing White House fence.

The temporary fence alignment requires the partial demolition of an existing non-historic raised planter at the northwest corner of West Executive Avenue. The planter will be replaced with concrete unit pavers and flush granite banding to match the adjacent paving.

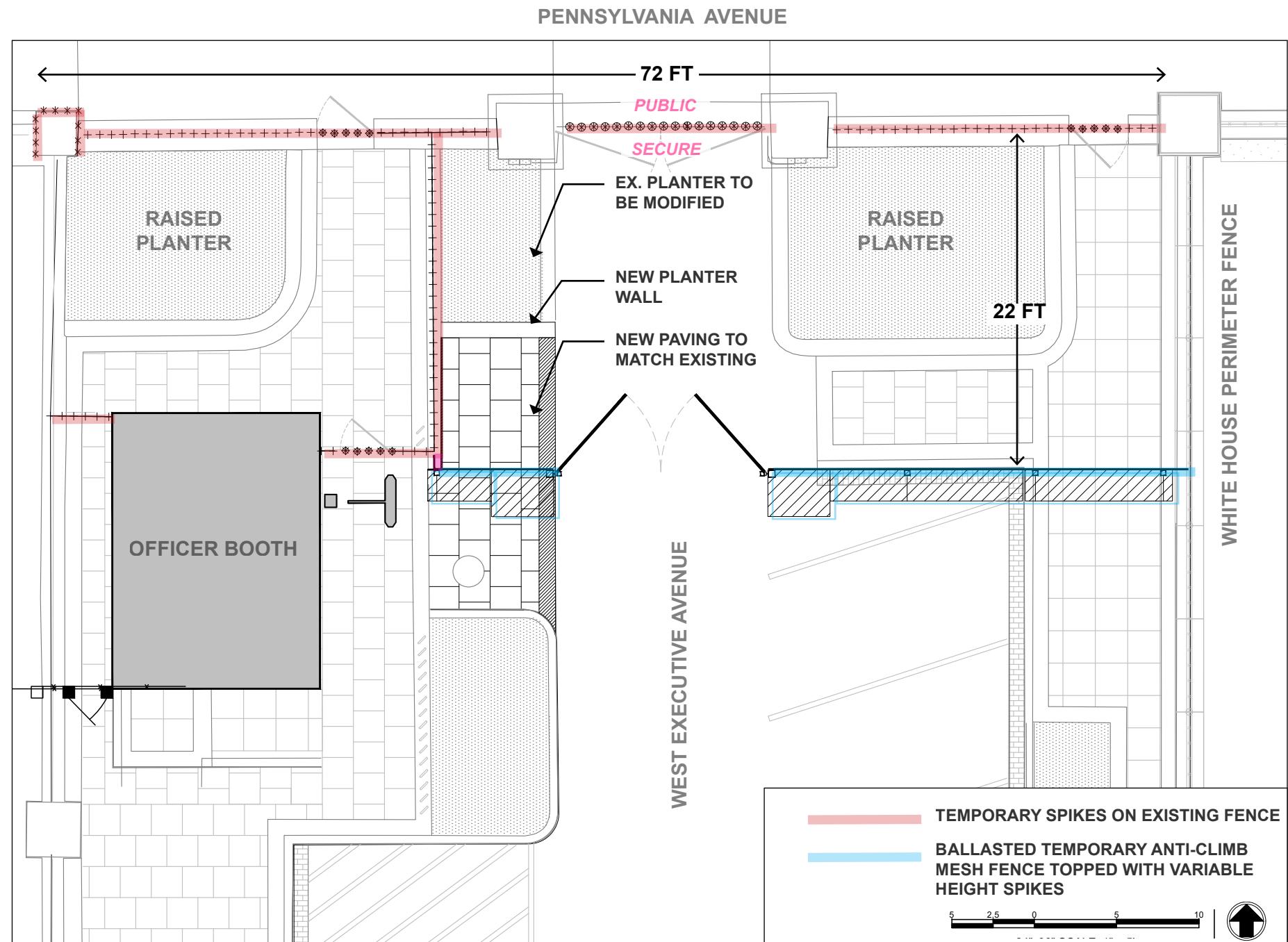


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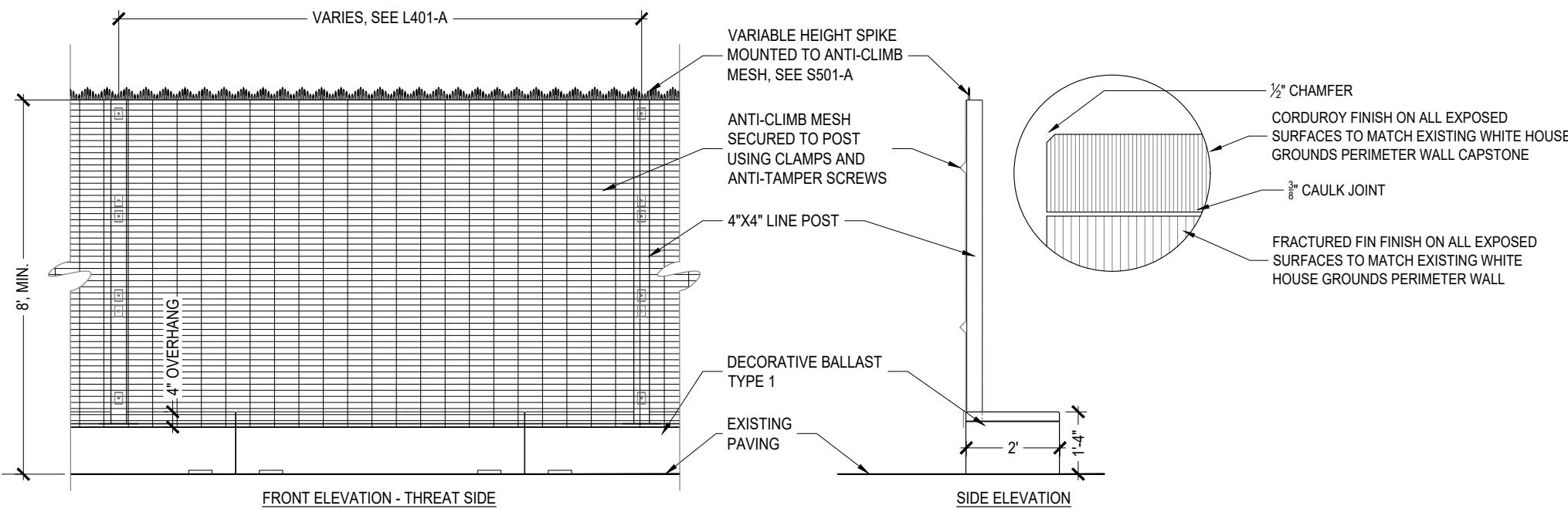
PROPOSED TEMPORARY PERIMETER SECURITY FEATURES



VARIABLE HEIGHT SPIKES TEMPORARILY ATTACHED TO DECORATIVE METAL FENCE, INSTALLED AT EEOB FALL 2024.



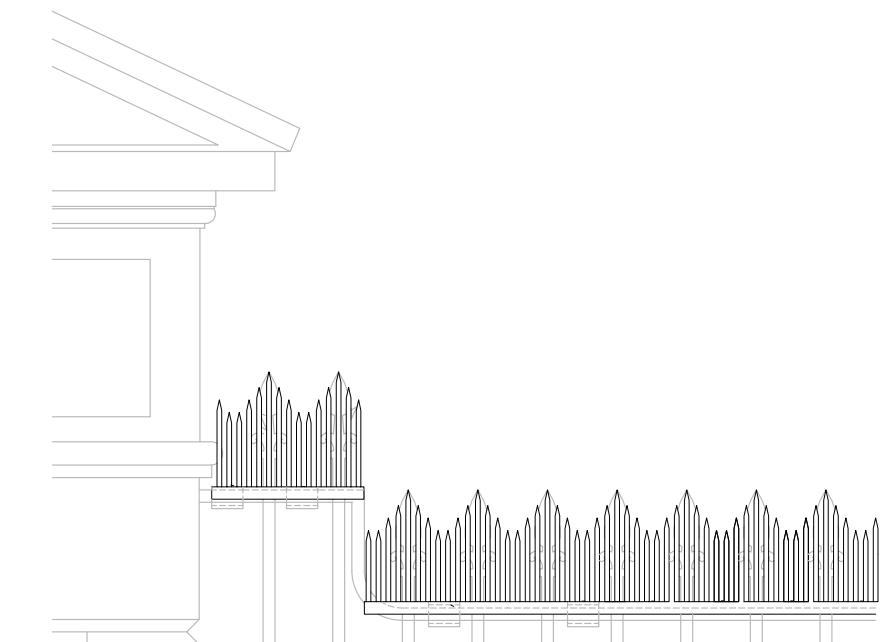
TEMPORARY ANTI-CLIMB MESH FENCE, INSTALLED AT EEOB FALL 2024. PROPOSED FENCE WILL MATCH, BUT WILL BE SUPPORTED BY ABOVE-GRADE BALLASTS TO AVOID DAMAGE TO PAVEMENT.



PROPOSED TEMPORARY ANTI-CLIMB MESH FENCE DETAIL, WITH VARIABLE HEIGHT SPIKES. FENCE TO BE SUPPORTED BY ABOVE-GRADE BALLASTS THAT MATCH THE ADJACENT EXISTING WHITE HOUSE GROUNDS PERIMETER WALL.



EXISTING WHITE HOUSE GROUNDS PERIMETER WALL. PROPOSED ABOVE-GRADE BALLAST TO MATCH AESTHETIC CHARACTERISTICS.



PROPOSED VARIABLE HEIGHT SPIKES DETAIL FOR EXISTING METAL FENCES AND GATES.

2.1 WEST EXECUTIVE AVE AT PENNSYLVANIA AVE

PROPOSED TEMPORARY PERIMETER SECURITY FEATURES

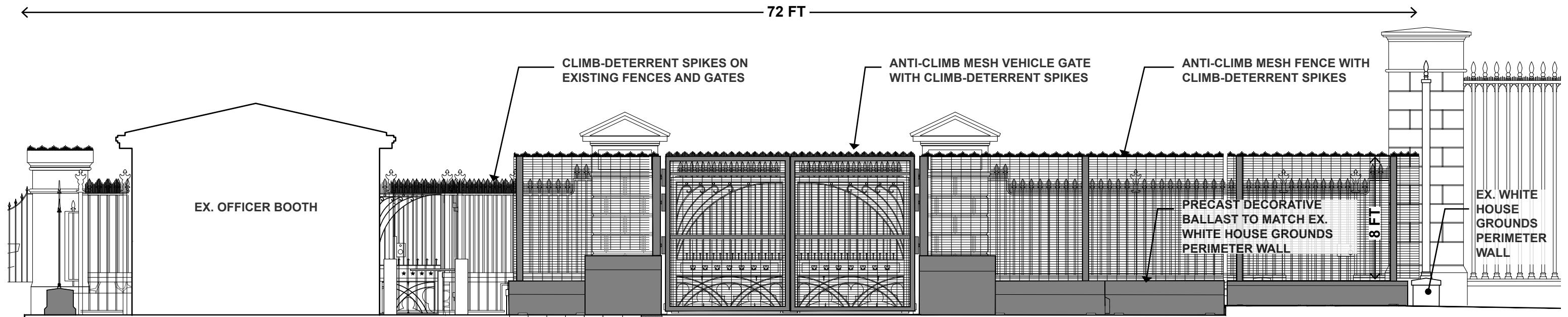
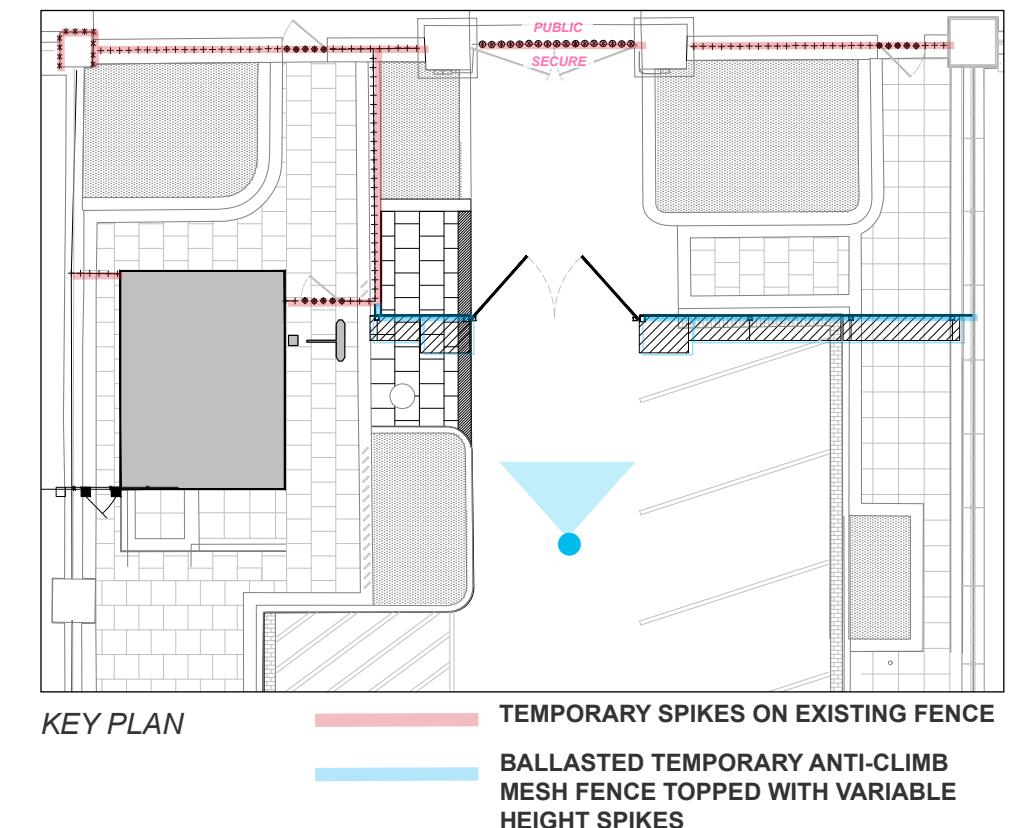


FIGURE 2.1.2 ELEVATION LOOKING NORTH SHOWING PROPOSED TEMPORARY PERIMETER SECURITY FEATURES.



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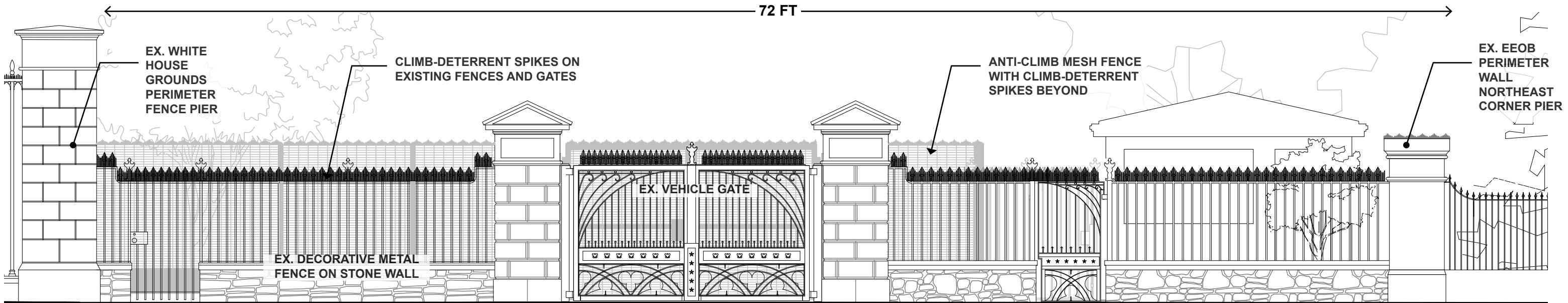
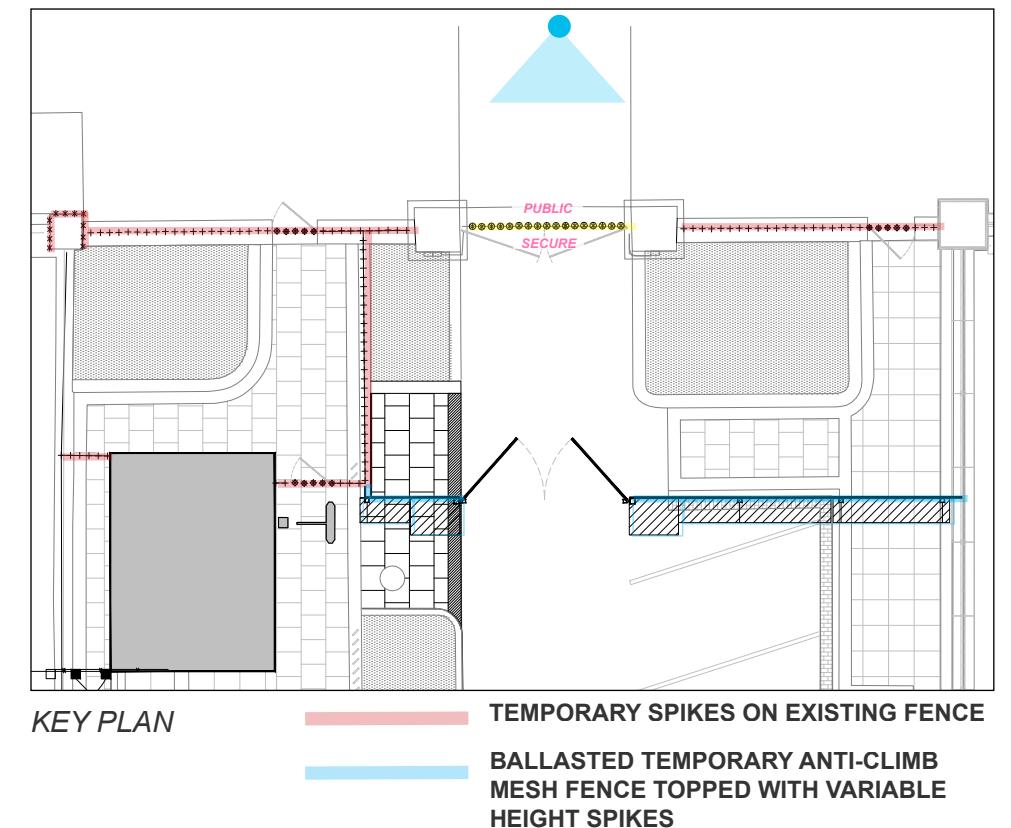


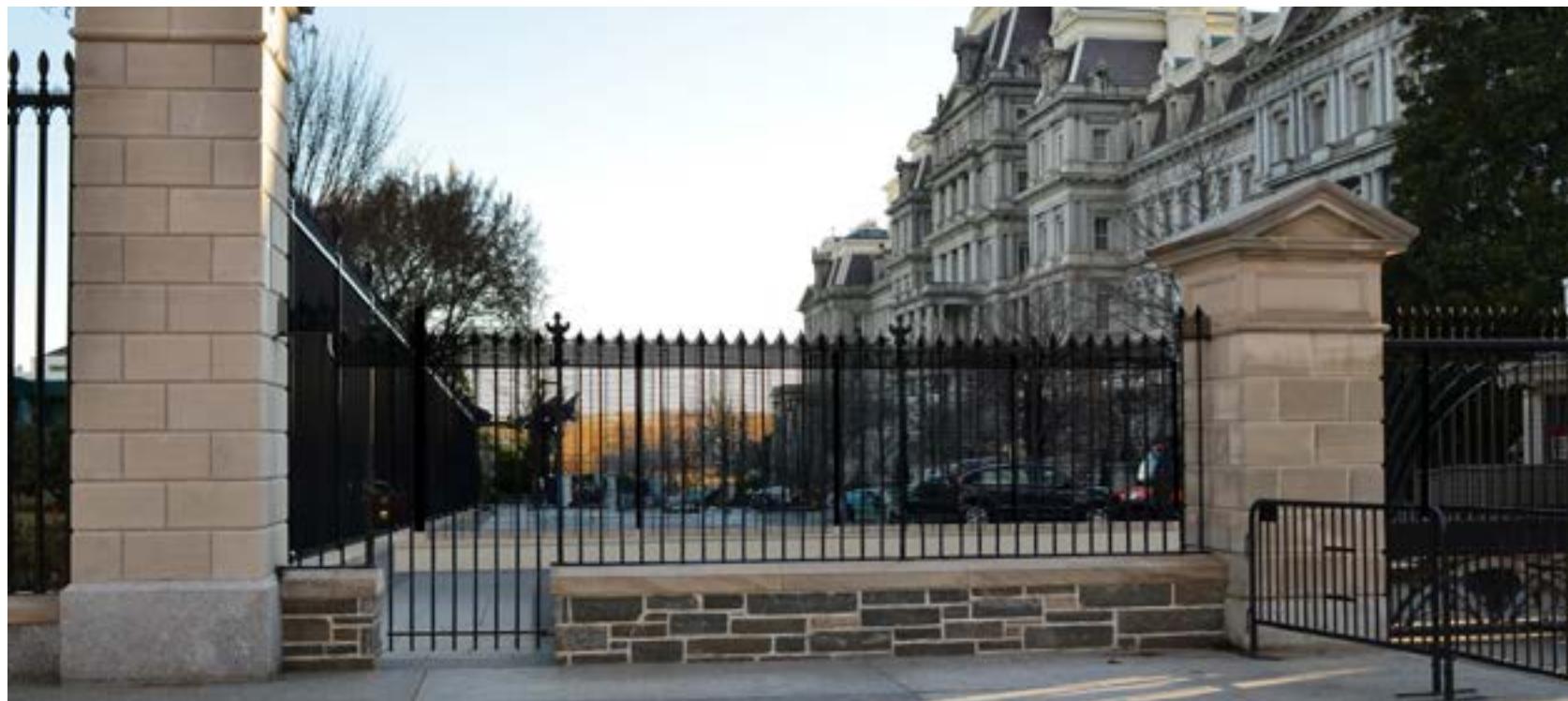
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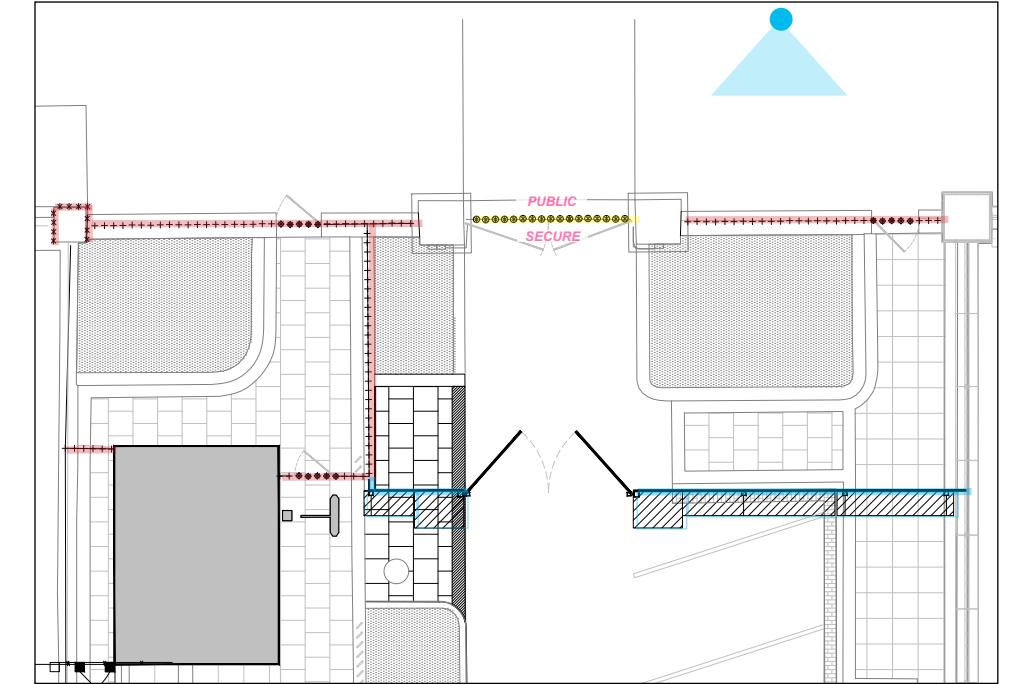
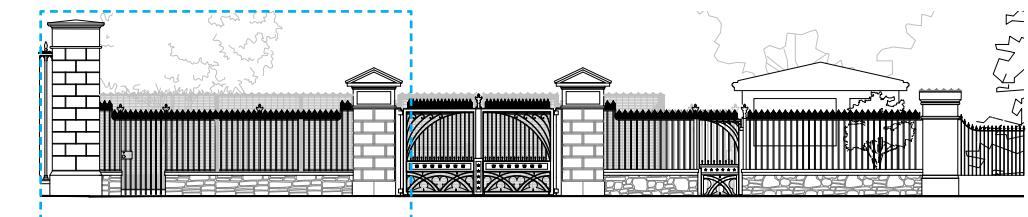
2.1 WEST EXECUTIVE AVE AT PENNSYLVANIA AVE PROPOSED TEMPORARY PERIMETER SECURITY FEATURES



EXISTING VIEW LOOKING SOUTH FROM PENNSYLVANIA AVENUE.



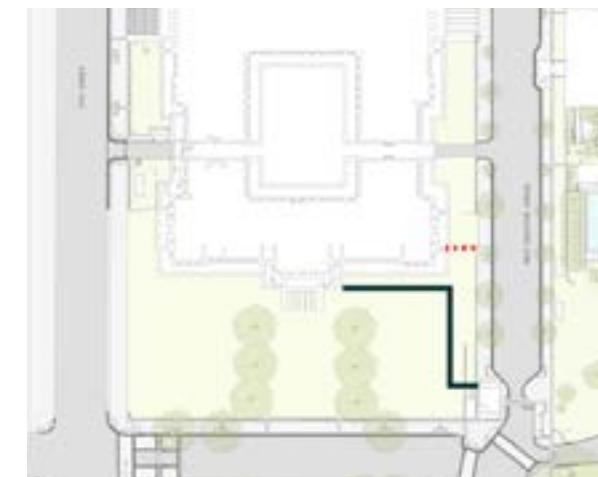
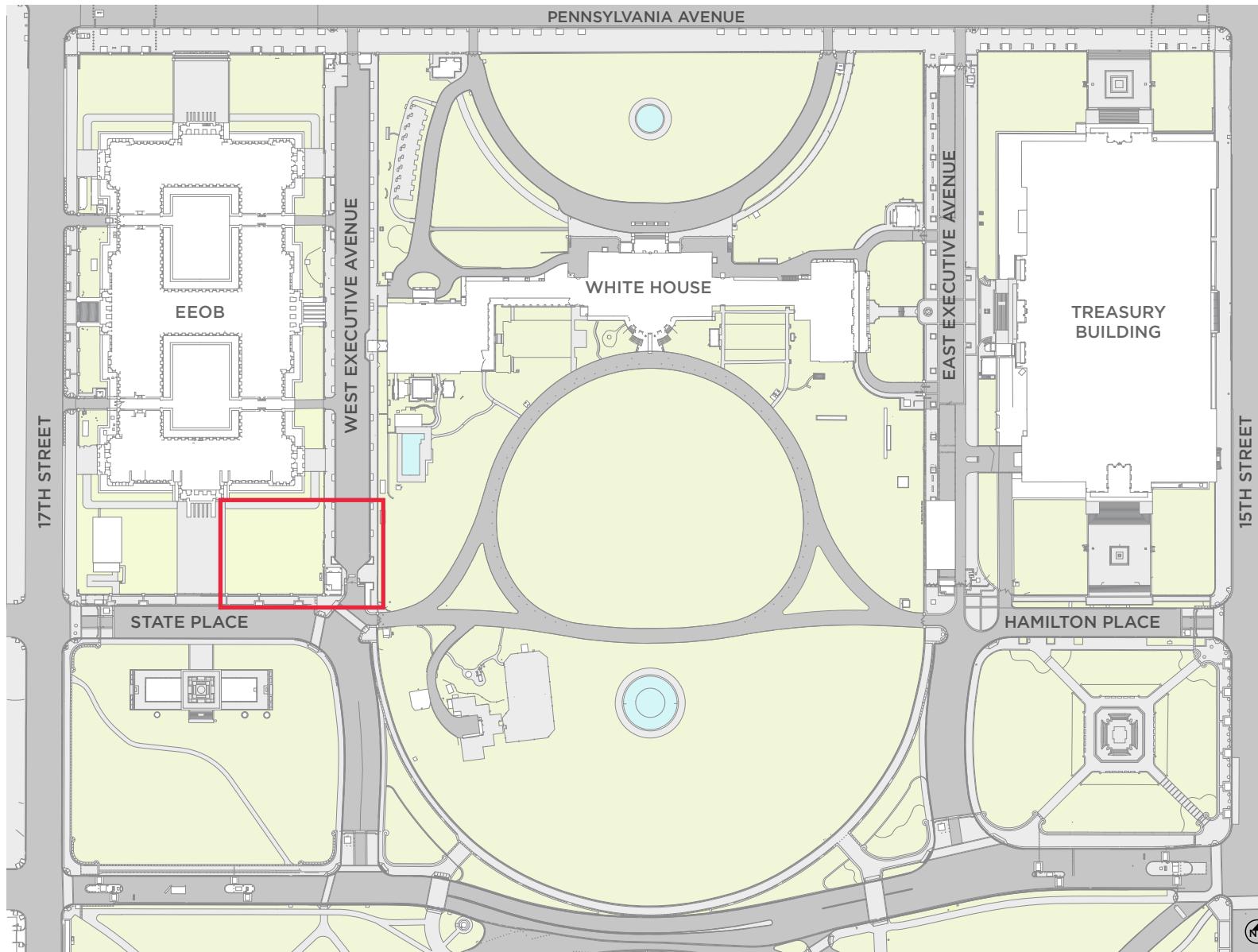
PROPOSED VIEW LOOKING SOUTH FROM PENNSYLVANIA AVENUE SHOWING TEMPORARY SPIKES ON EXISTING FENCE AND ANTI-CLIMB MESH FENCE ON DECORATIVE BALLASTS BEYOND.



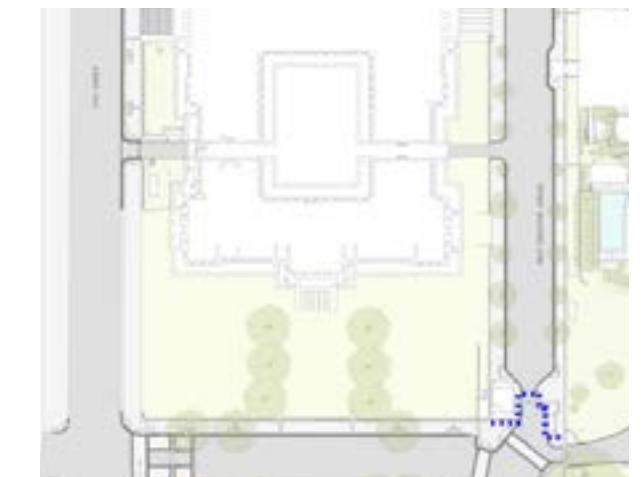
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TEMPORARY SPIKES ON EXISTING FENCE
BALLASTED TEMPORARY ANTI-CLIMB MESH FENCE TOPPED WITH VARIABLE HEIGHT SPIKES

2.2 WEST EXECUTIVE AVENUE AT STATE PLACE



PREVIOUSLY INSTALLED TEMPORARY
PERIMETER SECURITY FEATURES.



PROPOSED TEMPORARY PERIMETER
SECURITY FEATURES.

- TEMPORARY MESH FENCE (8 FT HT) PREVIOUSLY INSTALLED
- TEMPORARY SPIKES ON EXISTING FENCES PREVIOUSLY INSTALLED
- TEMPORARY SPIKES ON EXISTING FENCES PROPOSED

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2.2 WEST EXECUTIVE AVE AT STATE PLACE

EXISTING CONDITIONS

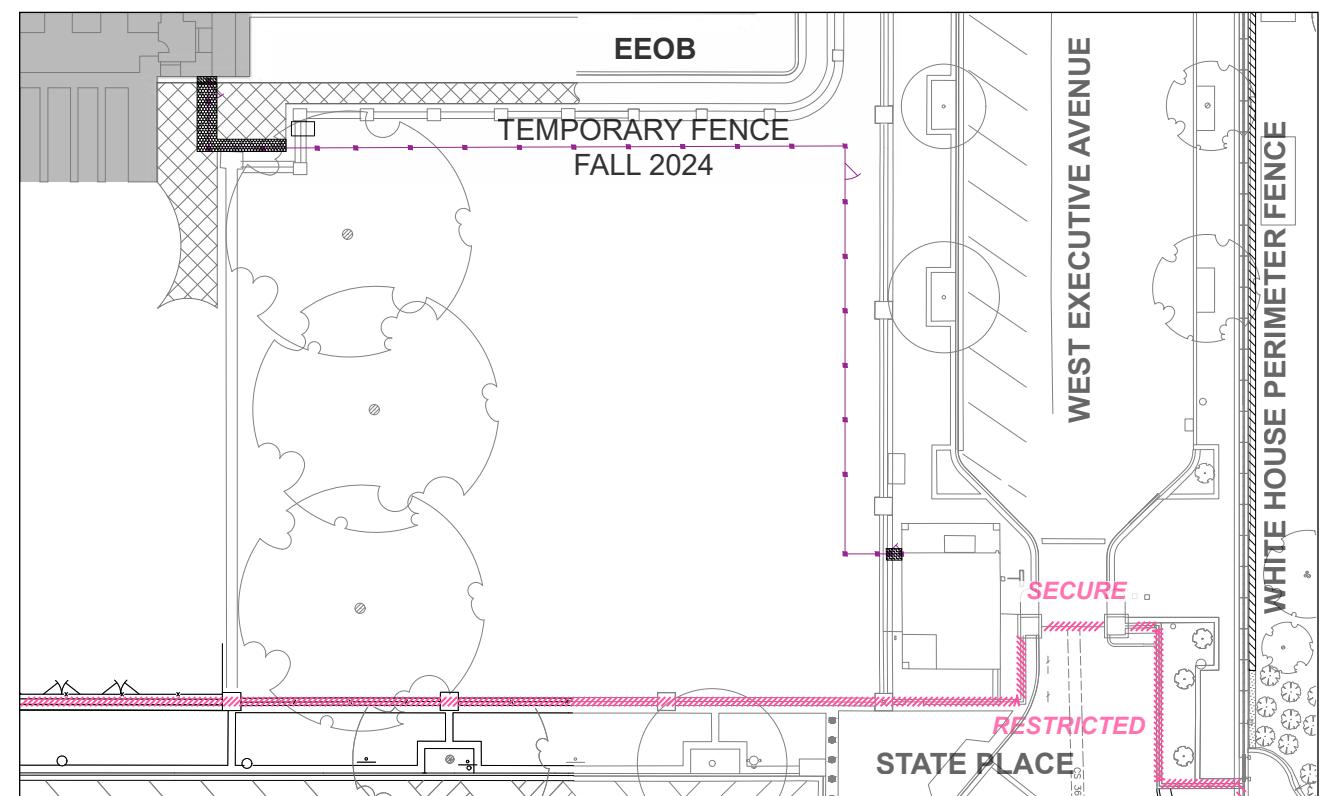
The project area includes the southeast lawn of the EEOB and the perimeter security gate at the intersection of West Executive Avenue and State Place. A security checkpoint at the west end of State Place controls access to this area of President's Park, which is not open to the public. The officer booth at the southern end of West Executive Avenue is used for screening of passholders and visitors; the vehicle gates are controlled for access to the EEOB and the White House. The existing officer booth was put into operation in 2006 and the vehicle gates were refurbished between 2011 and 2020.

In Fall 2024, temporary anti-climb mesh fences were installed in the southeast lawn of the EEOB and anti-climb spikes were temporarily affixed to a run of existing decorative metal fencing. These temporary perimeter security features will remain in place until permanent features can replace them.

The project focuses on an existing fence line that secures West Executive Avenue and the buildings beyond. Installed circa 1937 at the intersection of West Executive Avenue and State Place, the perimeter consists of a six-foot-tall decorative metal picket fence with fleur-de-lis finials, two pedestrian gates, and one double-leaf vehicular gate. These fences and gates are a part of the secure perimeter that is established by an interconnected run of fences and gates along the northern extent of State Place, enclosing the southern extent of West Executive Avenue and terminating at the White House grounds perimeter fence.



AERIAL SHOWING TEMPORARY FENCE IN THE SE LAWN (INSTALLED FALL 2024) AND EXISTING PERIMETER FENCE AT WEST EXECUTIVE AVENUE AND STATE PLACE (2025, NTS).



WEST EXECUTIVE AVENUE AT STATE PLACE, TEMPORARY FENCE IN THE EEOB SE LAWN (INSTALLED FALL 2024). EXISTING SECURE PERIMETER INDICATED IN PINK.

2.2 WEST EXECUTIVE AVE AT STATE PLACE

EXISTING CONDITIONS



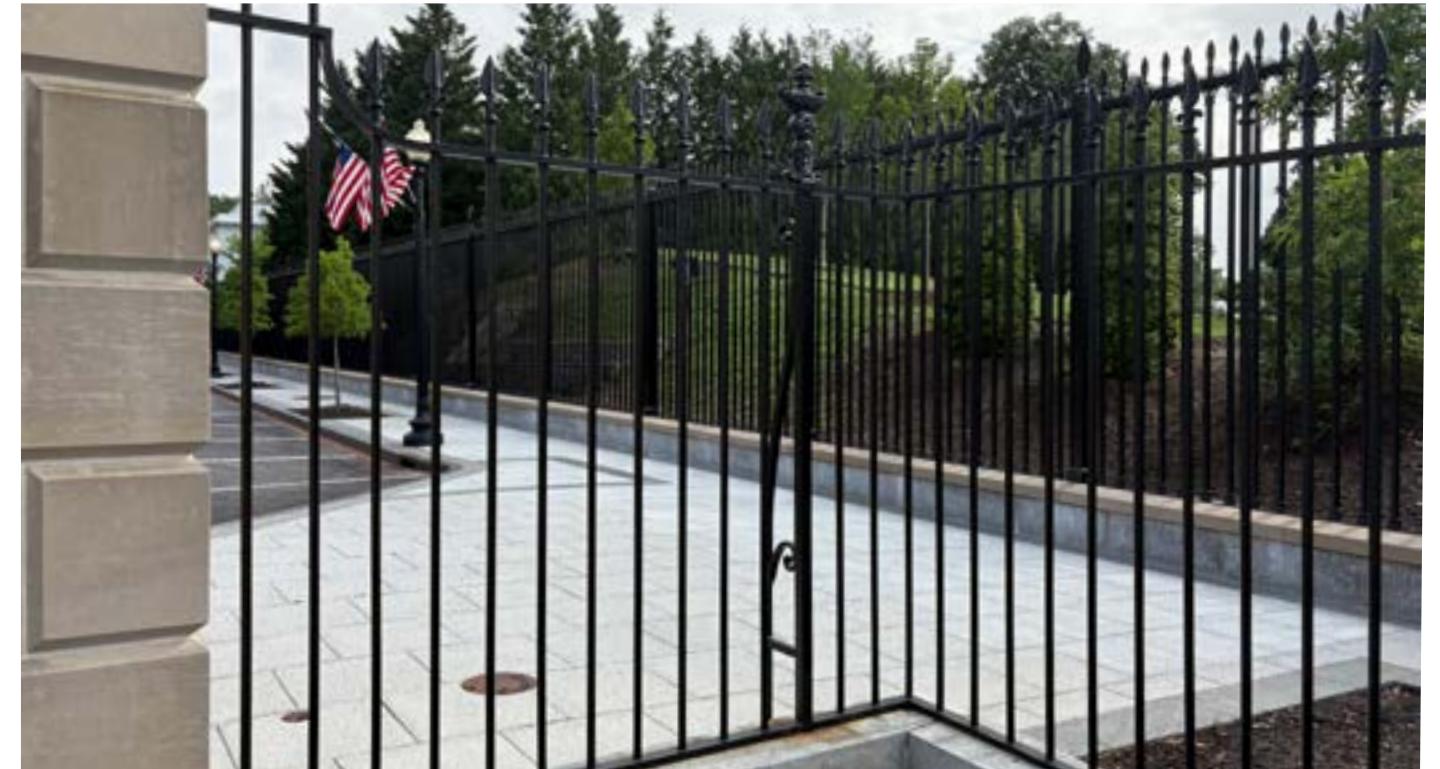
VIEW OF FENCE AND GATES LOOKING NORTH FROM STATE PLACE. FENCE SEPARATES THE RESTRICTED ACCESS SIDE (STATE PLACE) FROM THE SECURE SIDE BEYOND.



VIEW OF EXISTING VEHICLE AND PEDESTRIAN GATES, LOOKING NORTH FROM STATE PLACE. TEMPORARY SPIKES TO BE ADDED TO EXISTING FENCE AND GATES TOP RAIL.



VIEW LOOKING NORTHEAST AT EXISTING FENCE, WITH WHITE HOUSE GROUNDS PERIMETER FENCE BEYOND.



DETAIL OF EXISTING DECORATIVE METAL FENCE WITH FLEUR-DE-LIS FINIALS. TEMPORARY SPIKES TO BE ADDED TO EXISTING FENCE TOP RAIL

2.2 WEST EXECUTIVE AVE AT STATE PLACE

PROPOSED TEMPORARY PERIMETER SECURITY FEATURES

Temporary variable height spikes will be installed along the top rails of existing ornamental metal fencing at the south end of West Executive Avenue (indicated in red on Figure 2.2.1). The spikes will be mounted to the existing metalwork in such a way that they do not leave any permanent marks upon removal. The proposed spikes will be similar in design, fabrication, and installation to those affixed to the existing fences and walls at the EEOB that were installed in Fall 2024.



VARIABLE HEIGHT SPIKES TEMPORARILY ATTACHED TO DECORATIVE METAL FENCE, INSTALLED AT EEOB FALL 2024.

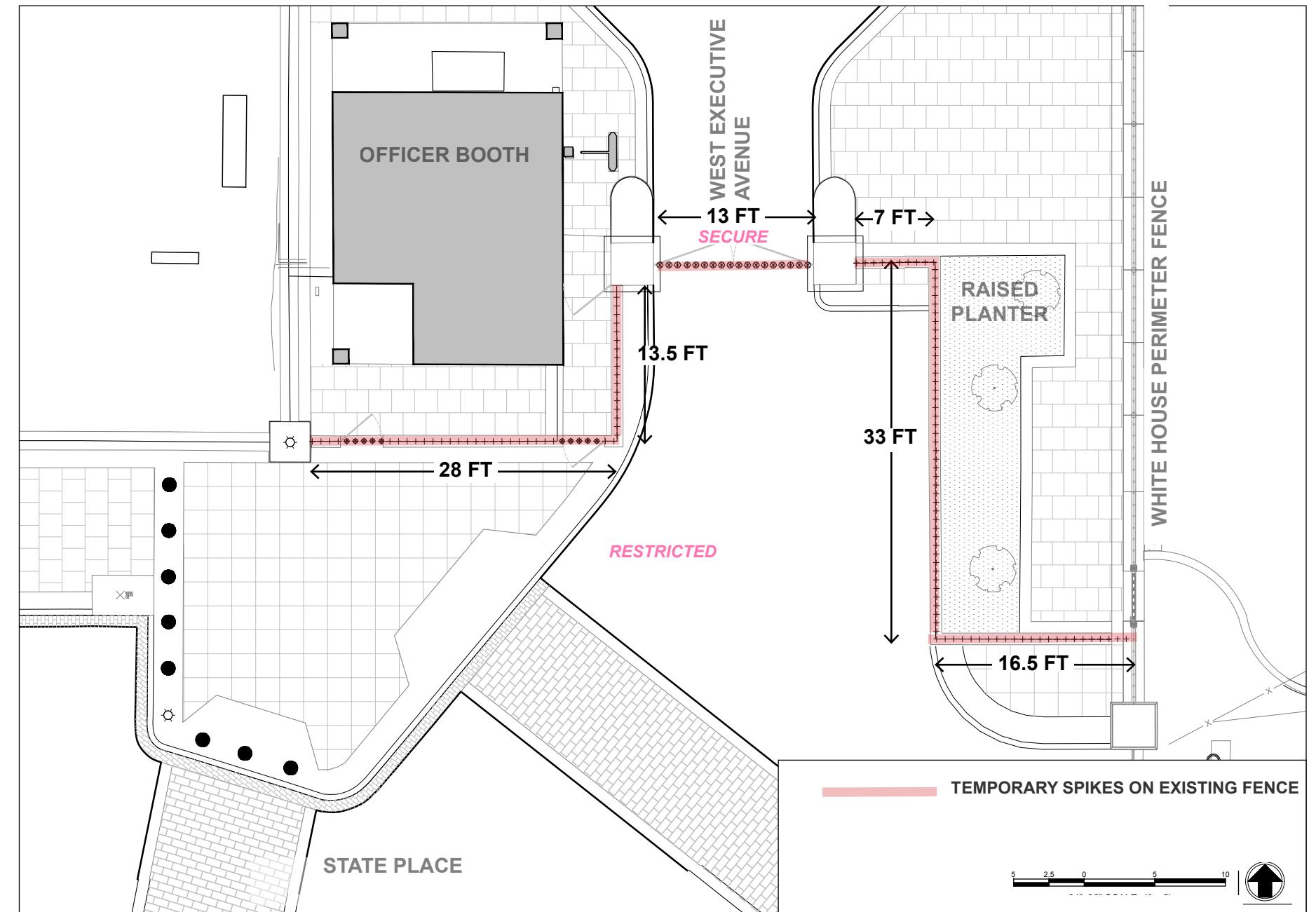


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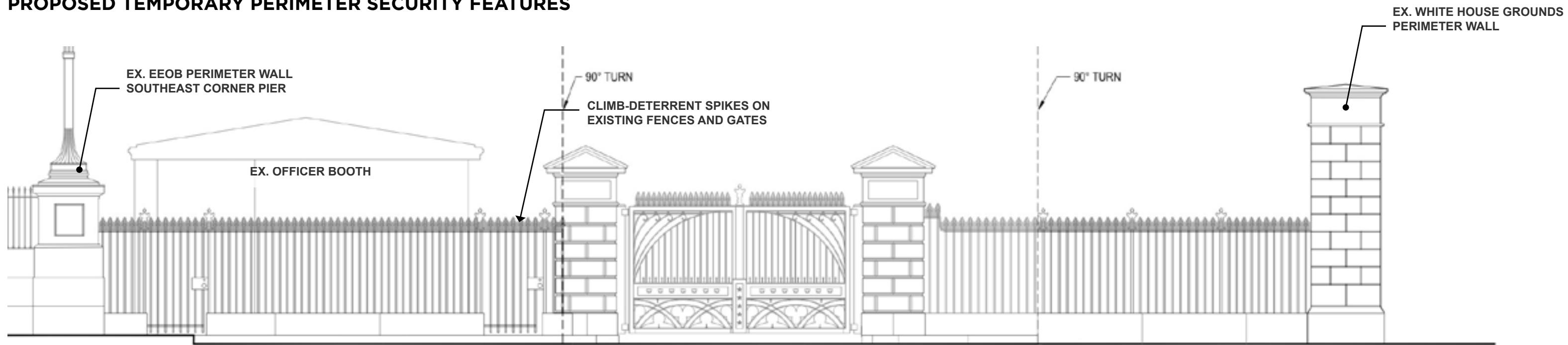
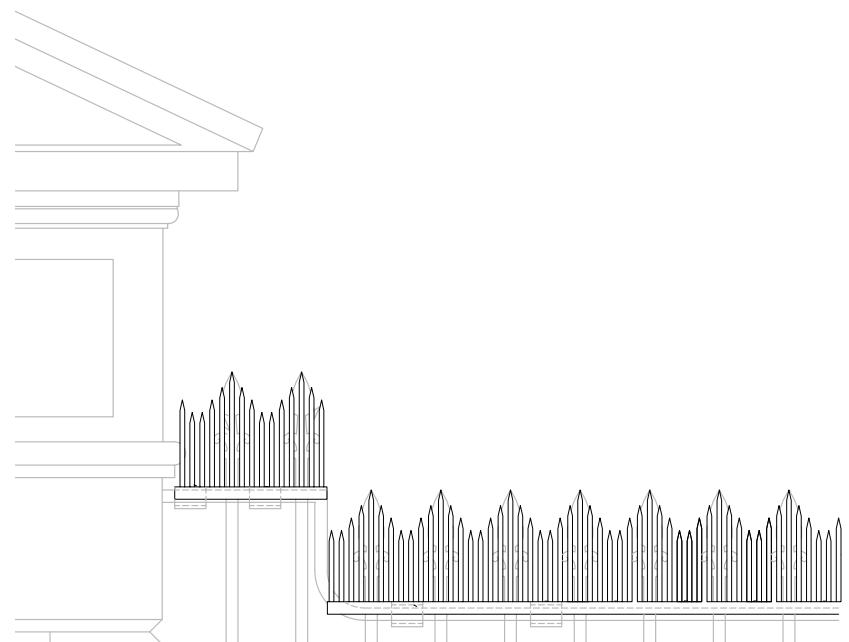
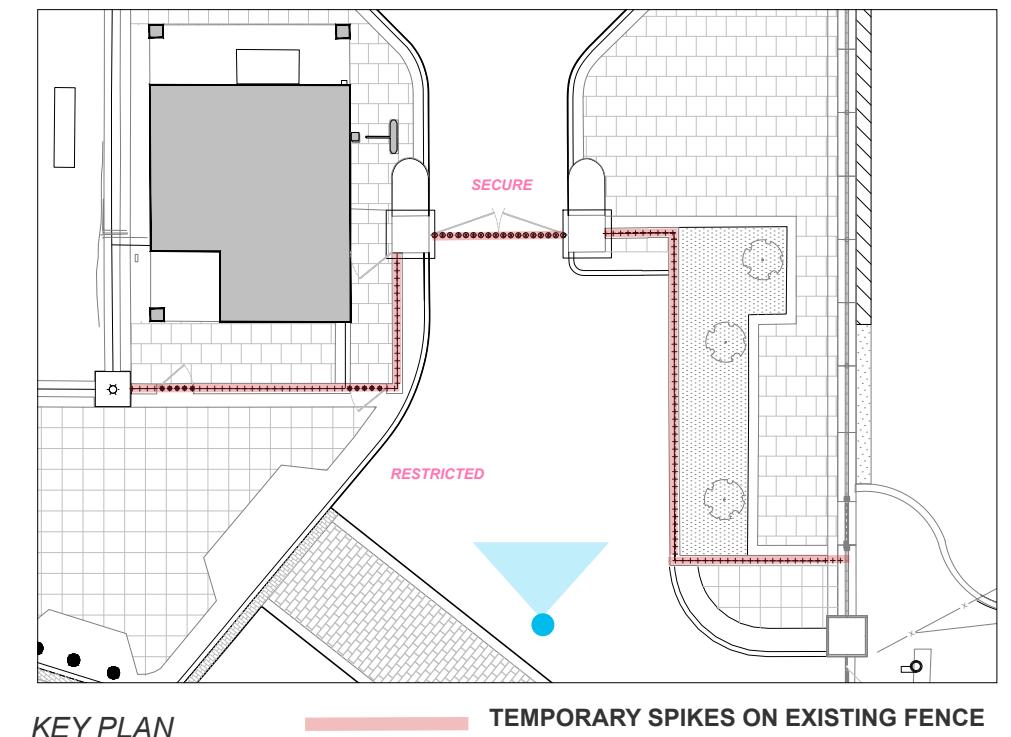


FIGURE 2.2.2 ELEVATION LOOKING NORTH SHOWING PROPOSED TEMPORARY PERIMETER SECURITY FEATURES.



PROPOSED VARIABLE HEIGHT SPIKES DETAIL FOR EXISTING METAL FENCES AND GATES.



2.2 WEST EXECUTIVE AVE AT STATE PLACE

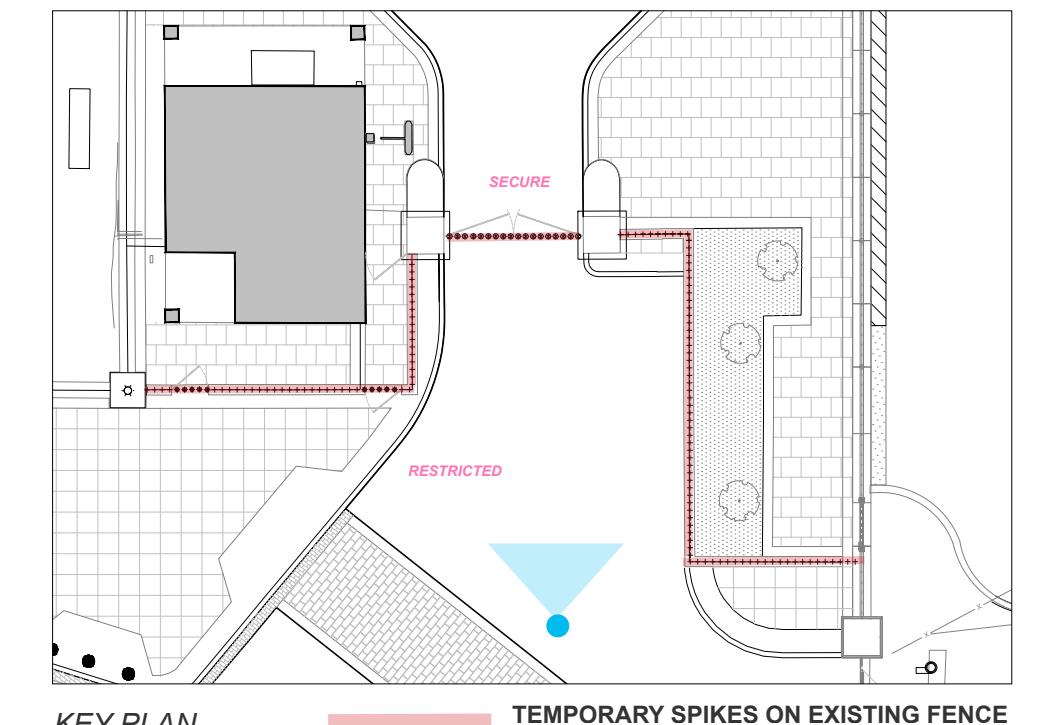
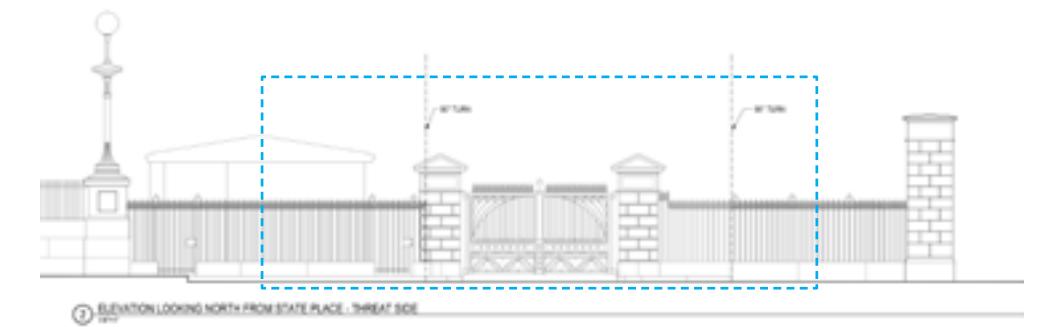
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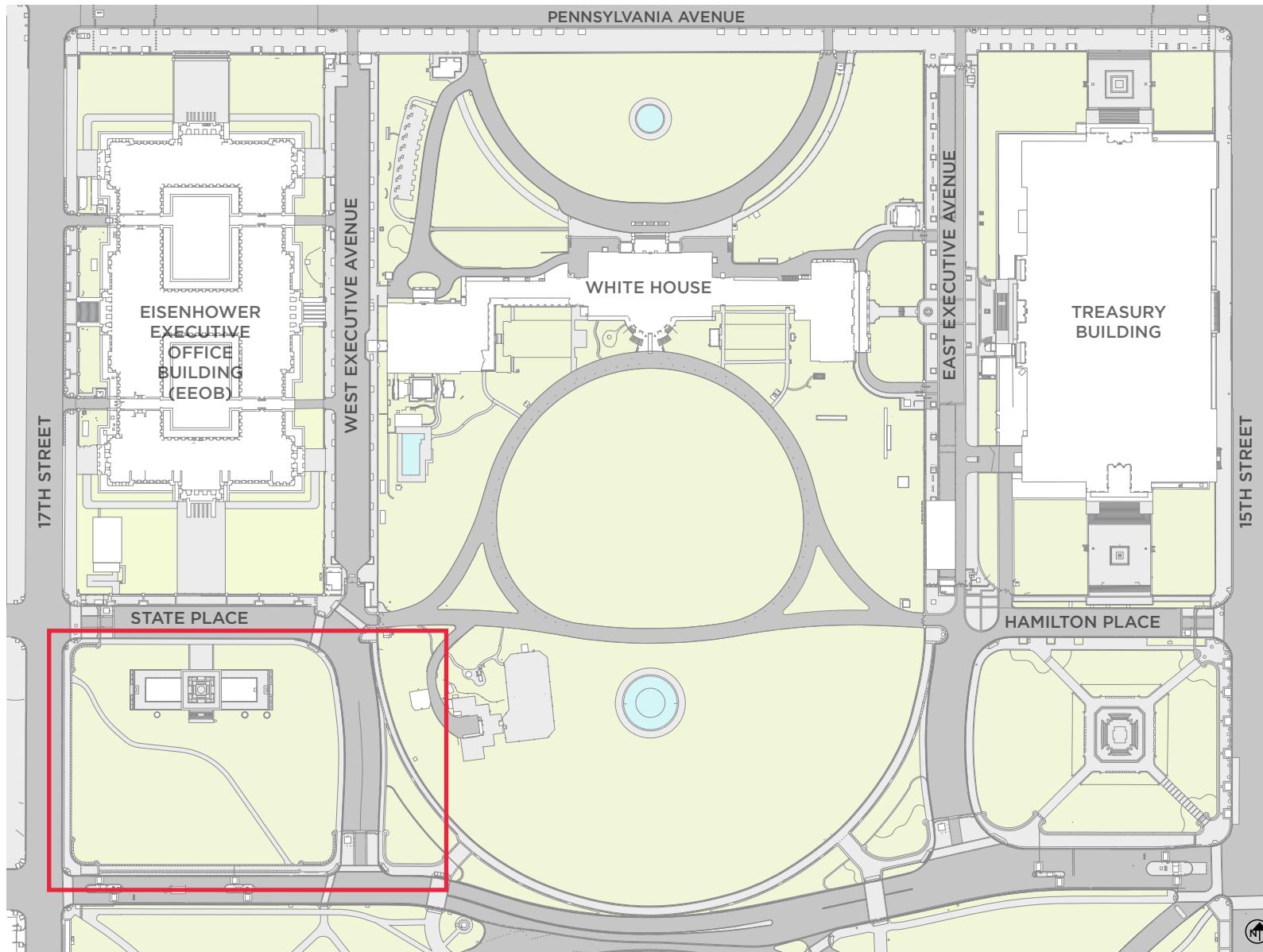
PROPOSED VIEW LOOKING NORTH FROM STATE PLACE SHOWING TEMPORARY SPIKES ON EXISTING FENCES AND GATES.



KEY PLAN

TEMPORARY SPIKES ON EXISTING FENCE

2.3 & 2.4 FIRST DIVISION MONUMENT GROUNDS



PROPOSED TEMPORARY PERIMETER SECURITY FEATURES AND PERMANENT
PAVED WALK.

- TEMPORARY DECORATIVE METAL FENCE (4 FT HT)
- TEMPORARY METAL PICKET FENCE (8 FT HT) PROPOSED
- PERMANENT ABA-COMPLIANT PAVED WALK

Note: Temporary perimeter security features to remain for approximately 3 years until permanent features replace them.

2.3 & 2.4 FIRST DIVISION MONUMENT GROUNDS

EXISTING CONDITIONS

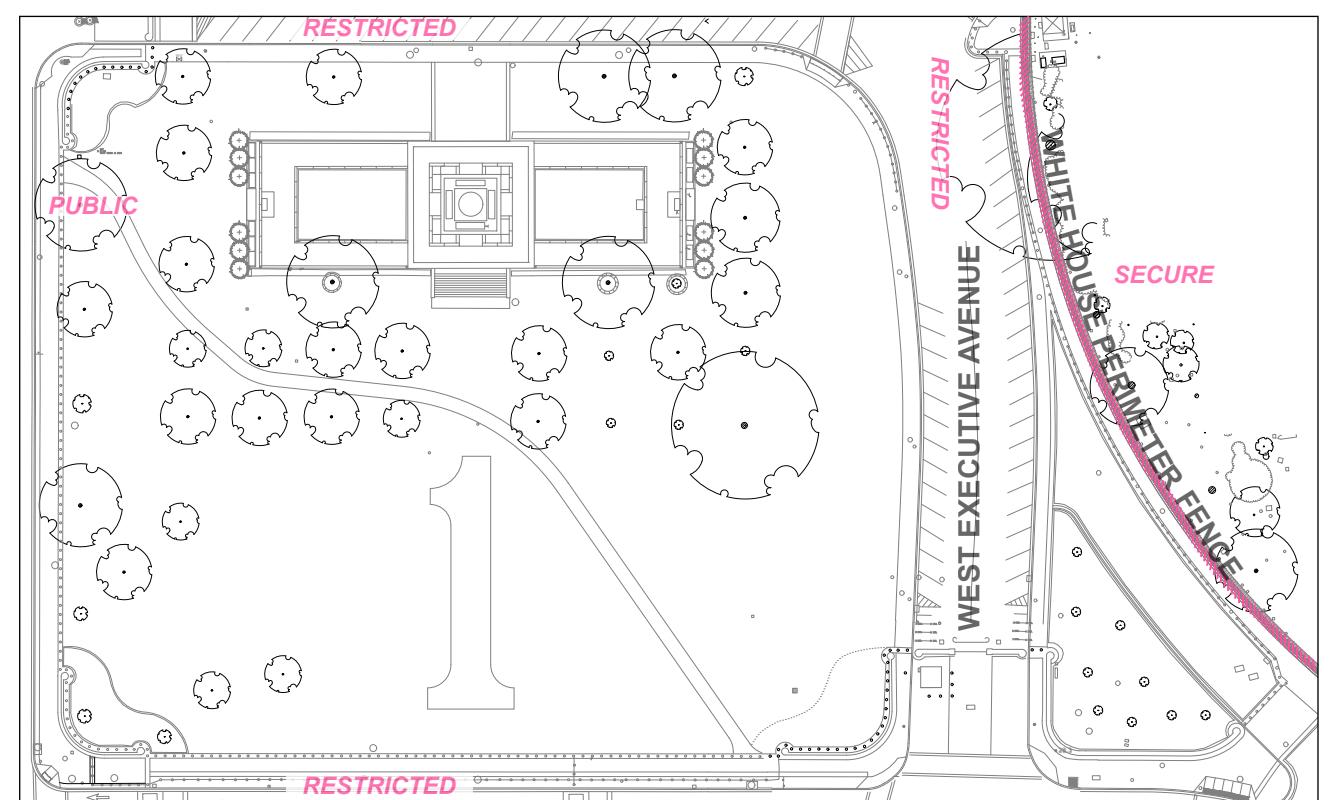
The First Division Monument, conceived by the veteran's organization the Society of the First Division, was dedicated in 1924. Granite steps were added in 1926 to provide access to the paved area at the base of the shaft and additions to the monument were made in 1957, 1977, and 1995. A diagonal path that traverses the grounds from the northwest corner to the southeast has been present since circa 1920, though it was removed when temporary barracks were installed in 1942 and reinstalled circa 1954. The site was planted with trees, shrubs, and turf between 1924 and 1927, with rehabilitation of the grounds occurring between 1954 and 1957 to include the construction of the wide walks that surround the monument. Between 2001 and 2003, decorative metal bollards were installed along the west and south perimeters of the grounds. At the southwest corner of the grounds, chains attached to the bollards are a visual cue to the public that access is restricted.

State Place to the north of the First Division Monument grounds, West Executive Avenue to the east, and E Street to the south are not open to the public. The primary visitor access point to the grounds is from the northwest corner of the site at the intersection of 17th Street and State Place where the diagonal path originates. This path does not provide ABA-compliant access to the monument. An existing sidewalk along State Place is considered an accessible route however, because State Place is not open to the public, universal access to the monument is not always possible.

The First Division Monument grounds are open to the public generally, but are frequently closed for security reasons. Temporary metal fencing units, commonly known as "bike racks," are arrayed around the perimeter of the grounds. The "bike rack" fencing along 17th Street restricts access to the grounds while the "bike rack" fencing typically deployed along the north, east, and south perimeters is meant to prevent visitors from leaving the grounds in those directions, which are closed to the public.



AERIAL SHOWING FIRST DIVISION MONUMENT GROUNDS WITH SHADOW OF "BIKE RACK" FENCING VISIBLE AT NORTH AND EAST PERIMETERS OF GROUNDS (2025, NTS).



FIRST DIVISION MONUMENT GROUNDS, EXISTING SECURE PERIMETER INDICATED IN PINK AND PUBLIC VS RESTRICTED AREAS NOTATED.

2.3 FIRST DIVISION MONUMENT GROUNDS

EXISTING CONDITIONS AND PERIMETER SECURITY FEATURES



VIEW OF FIRST DIVISION MONUMENT LOOKING SOUTHEAST FROM STATE PLACE. NOTE TEMPORARY "BIKE RACK" FENCING.



VIEW OF NORTHEAST CORNER OF FIRST DIVISION MONUMENT GROUNDS LOOKING SOUTH ALONG WEST EXECUTIVE AVENUE. "BIKE RACKS" PREVENT EXIT FROM THE GROUNDS.



VIEW LOOKING EAST AT NORTHWEST CORNER OF THE GROUNDS SHOWING THE PRIMARY PEDESTRIAN ENTRANCE BLOCKED FROM PUBLIC USE BY TEMPORARY "BIKE RACK" FENCING.



VIEW LOOKING EAST ALONG SOUTHERN PERIMETER OF FIRST DIVISION MONUMENT GROUNDS AND E STREET. NOTE TEMPORARY BIKE RACK FENCING AND PERMANENT BOLLARDS WITH CHAIN.

2.3 FIRST DIVISION MONUMENT GROUNDS

PROPOSED TEMPORARY PERIMETER SECURITY FEATURES

The proposed perimeter security features comprise decorative metal picket fences temporarily installed at the perimeter of the grounds (Figure 2.3.1). The fences have two top rails and one bottom rail, with pickets spaced to leave four-inch openings.

Along the western side of the grounds and at the northwest, southwest, and southeast corners, a four-foot-tall fence will be installed inside the perimeter that is established by existing bollards. This fence is unembellished at top, with no finials or spikes. A gate for public access to the monument will be installed at the existing path in the northwest corner of the grounds and two gates on E Street will be used for restricted access. The fence will be installed with 36-inch deep footers and will be located in planted areas except for where it crosses the existing E Street sidewalk.

Along the north and east perimeters of the grounds, the decorative metal fence will be eight feet tall to serve as an interdiction between the park and the restricted area beyond. Variable height spikes will be affixed to the tops of the eight-foot-tall fences, which will be installed on above-grade precast ballasts rather than with footings. The finish and color of the ballasts will harmonize with the low wall at the base of the White House fence. The ballasts will be 16 inches tall and 18 inches wide, but will be slightly larger at double-leaf gates, of which there are two. The combined height of the fence and ballasts is nine feet four inches.

To the east of West Executive Avenue, a segment of the taller fence will be installed on an existing 3.5-foot-tall granite retaining wall and then will step down to existing grade. The fence on the wall will be six feet tall for an overall height of nine feet four inches. It will be supported by ballasts beyond the wall to avoid damaging the existing granite. The proposed temporary fence in this location will terminate at the existing permanent fence that encloses the White House grounds.

The installation of the above noted fences is intended to facilitate the removal of “bike rack” fencing presently used.

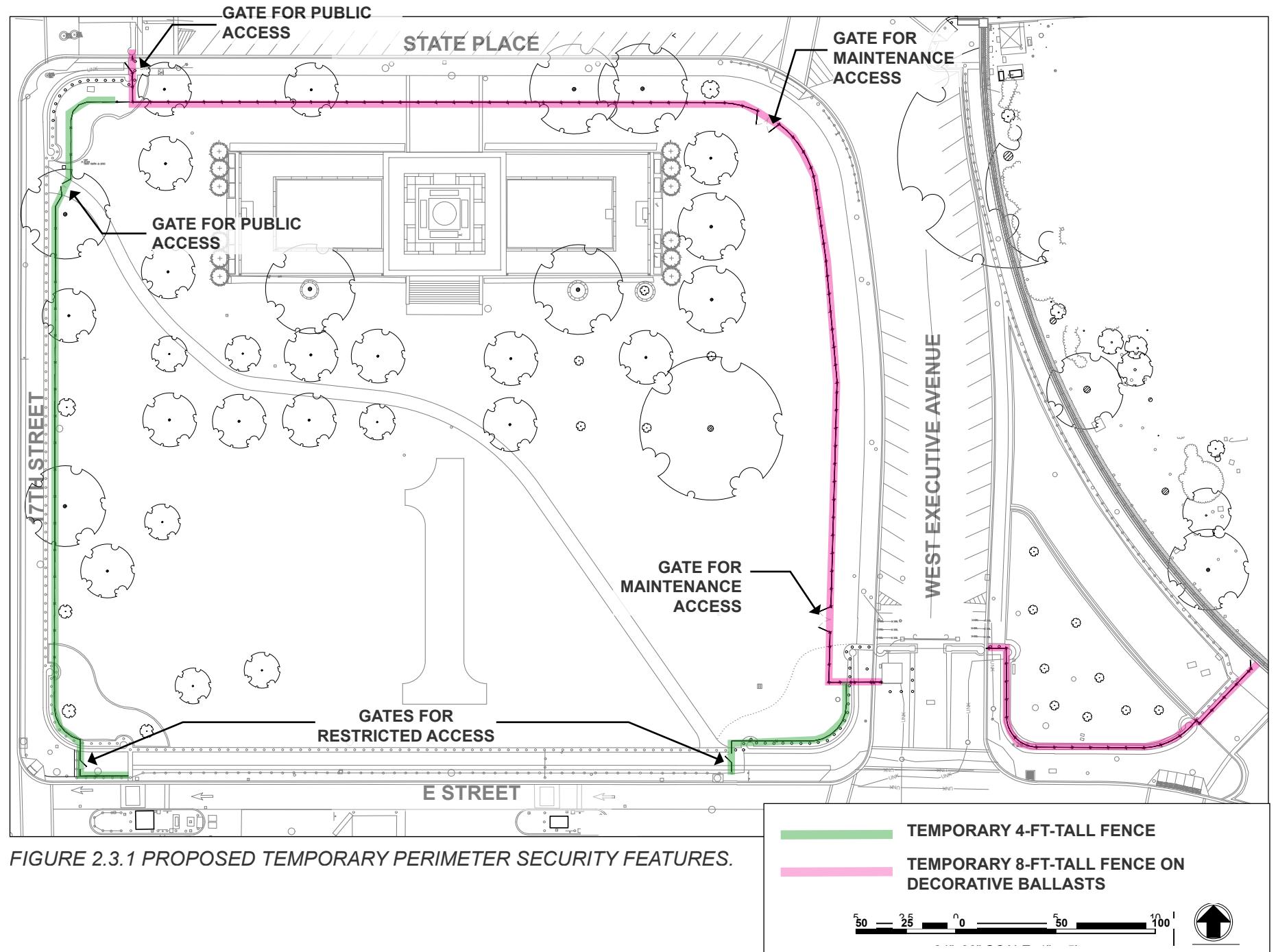
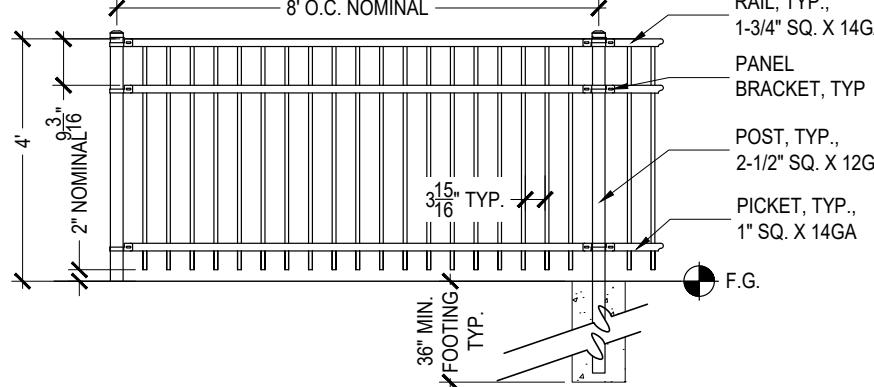


FIGURE 2.3.1 PROPOSED TEMPORARY PERIMETER SECURITY FEATURES.

2.3 FIRST DIVISION MONUMENT GROUNDS

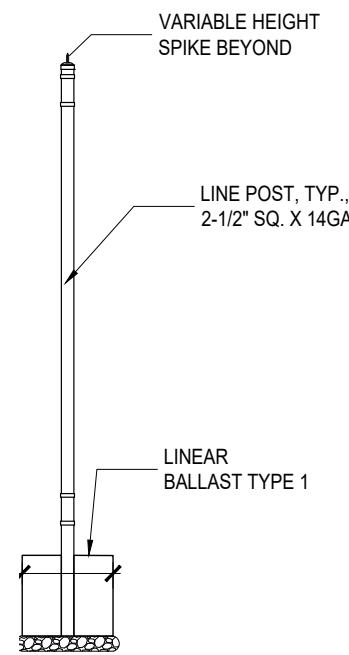
PROPOSED TEMPORARY PERIMETER SECURITY FEATURES



PROPOSED TEMPORARY 4-FOOT-TALL DECORATIVE METAL FENCE DETAIL



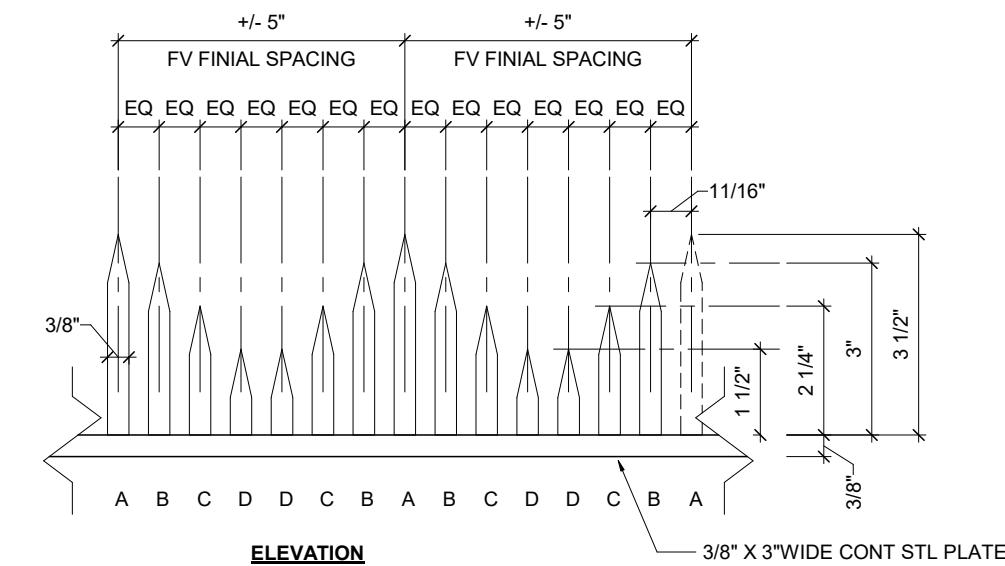
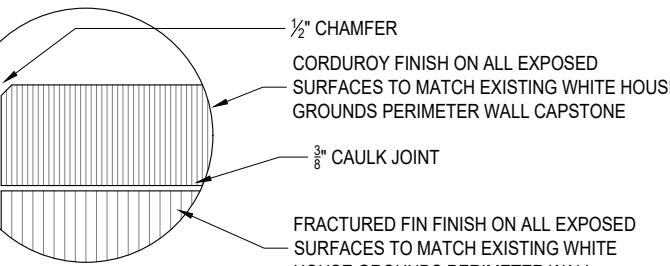
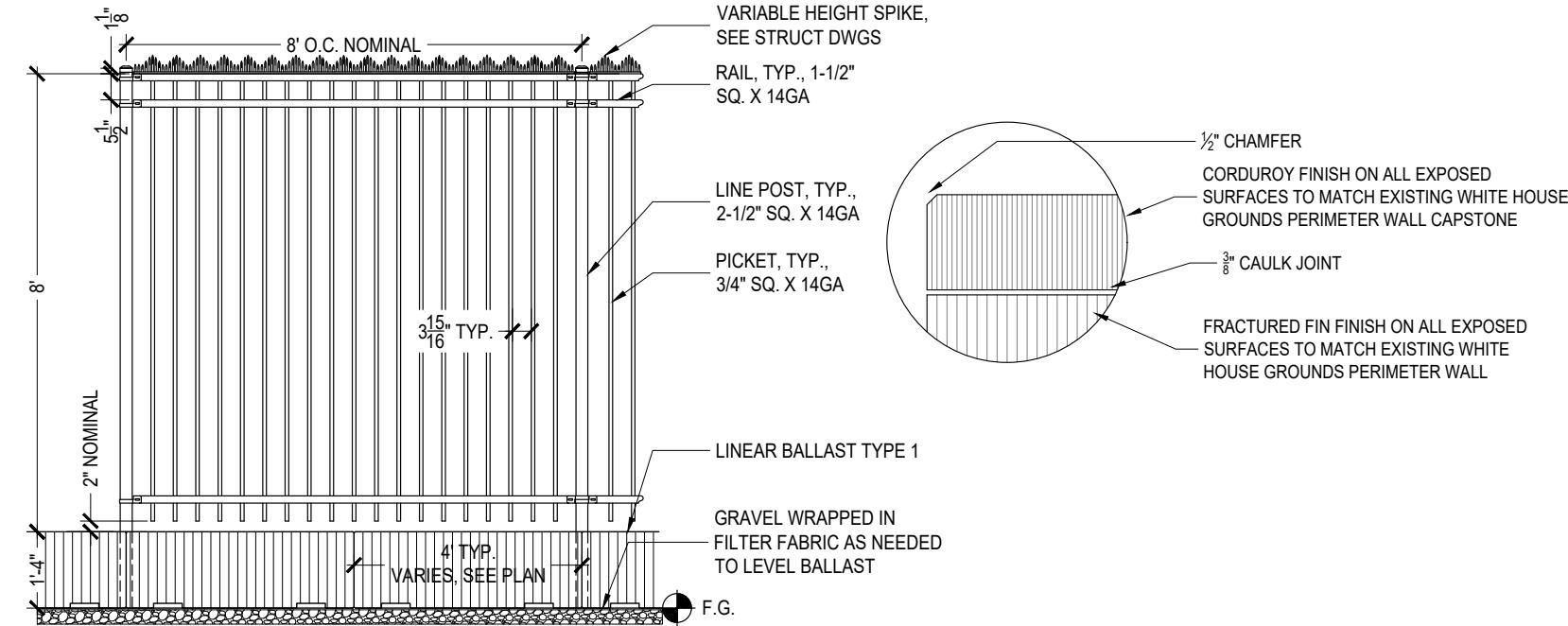
TEMPORARY DECORATIVE METAL PICKET FENCE BASIS OF DESIGN; 4-FOOT AND 8-FOOT HEIGHT VERSIONS WILL BE USED.



PROPOSED TEMPORARY 8-FOOT-TALL DECORATIVE METAL FENCE DETAIL, WITH VARIABLE HEIGHT SPIKES. FENCE TO BE SUPPORTED BY ABOVE-GRADE BALLASTS THAT MATCH THE ADJACENT EXISTING WHITE HOUSE GROUNDS PERIMETER WALL.



EXISTING WHITE HOUSE GROUNDS PERIMETER WALL. PROPOSED ABOVE-GRADE BALLAST TO MATCH AESTHETIC CHARACTERISTICS.



PROPOSED VARIABLE HEIGHT SPIKES DETAIL FOR PROPOSED 8-FOOT-TALL DECORATIVE METAL FENCE.

2.3 FIRST DIVISION MONUMENT GROUNDS

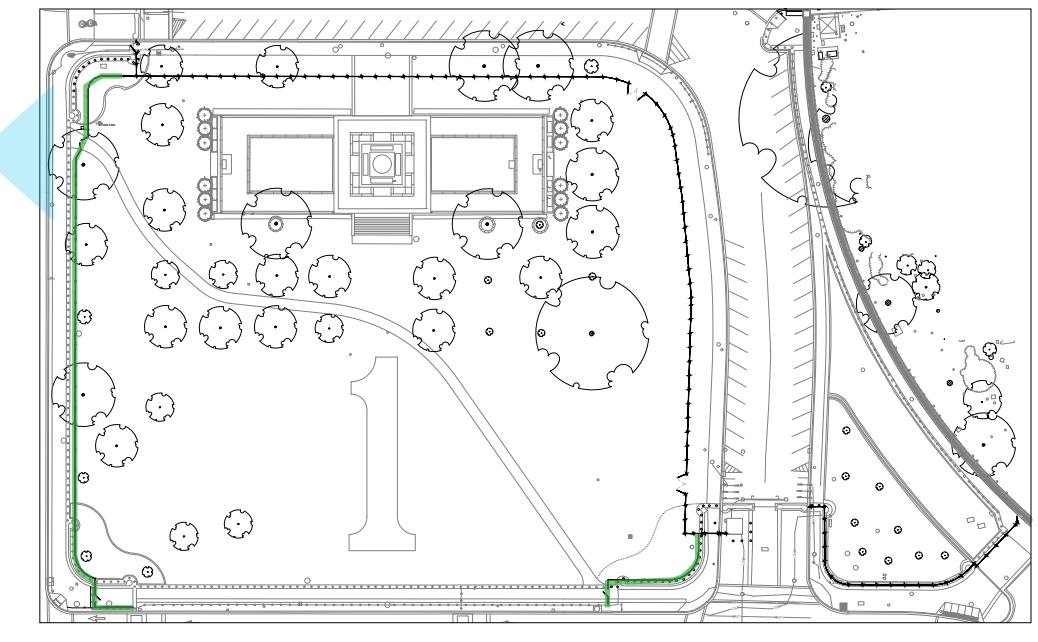
PROPOSED TEMPORARY PERIMETER SECURITY FEATURES



PROPOSED VIEW LOOKING EAST FROM 17TH STREET SHOWING 4-FOOT-TALL DECORATIVE METAL FENCE BEHIND EXISTING BOLLARDS.
PROPOSED GATE ACCESSES EXISTING WALK, NEW PAVED WALK (SEE SECTION 2.4 OF THIS REPORT) IS VISIBLE IN THE VIEW.



EXISTING VIEW LOOKING EAST FROM 17TH STREET.



KEY PLAN

TEMPORARY 4-FT-TALL FENCE

2.3 FIRST DIVISION MONUMENT GROUNDS

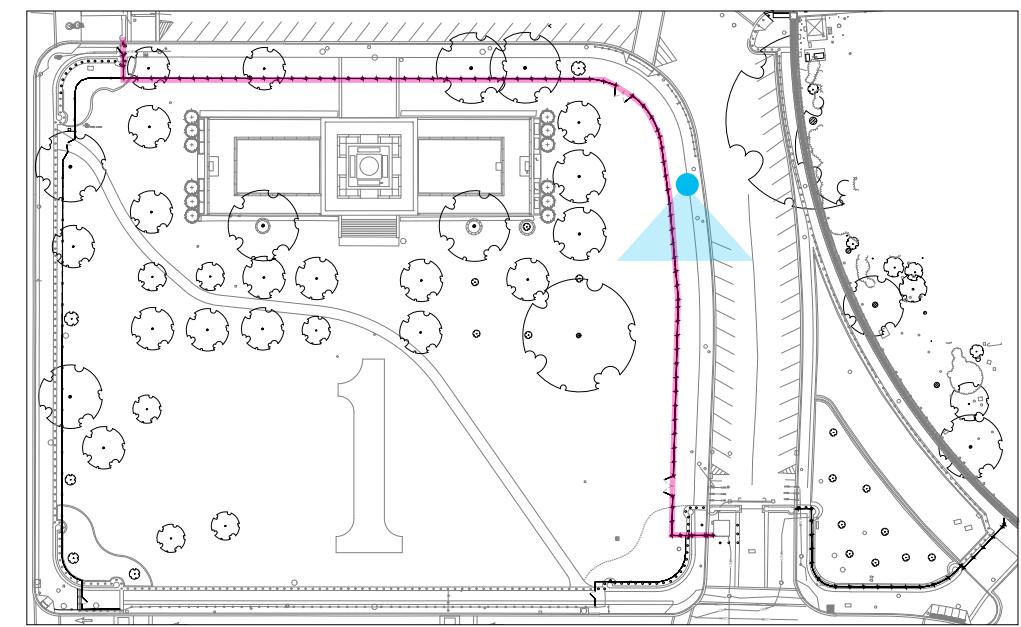
PROPOSED TEMPORARY PERIMETER SECURITY FEATURES



PROPOSED VIEW LOOKING SOUTH ALONG WEST EXECUTIVE AVENUE SHOWING TEMPORARY 8-FOOT-TALL DECORATIVE METAL FENCE ON BALLASTS.



EXISTING VIEW LOOKING SOUTH ALONG WEST EXECUTIVE AVENUE.



KEY PLAN

TEMPORARY 8-FT-TALL FENCE ON
DECORATIVE BALLASTS

2.3 FIRST DIVISION MONUMENT GROUNDS

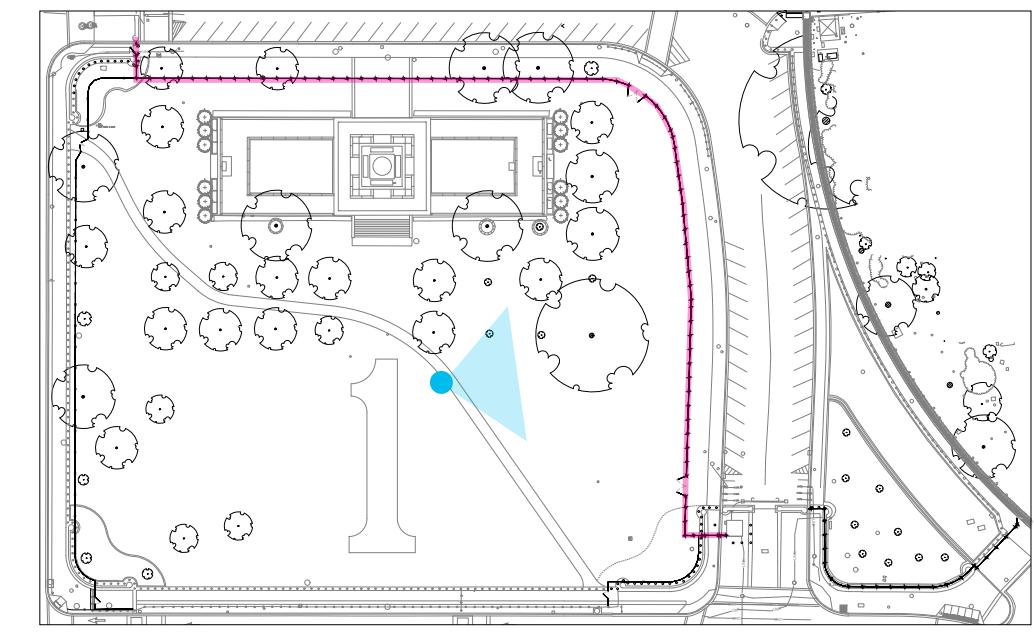
PROPOSED TEMPORARY PERIMETER SECURITY FEATURES



PROPOSED VIEW LOOKING EAST TOWARD WEST EXECUTIVE AVENUE FROM A LOCATION SOUTH OF THE FIRST DIVISION MONUMENT SHOWING TEMPORARY 8-FOOT-TALL DECORATIVE METAL FENCE ON BALLASTS.



EXISTING VIEW LOOKING EAST TOWARD WEST EXECUTIVE AVENUE.



KEY PLAN

TEMPORARY 8-FT-TALL FENCE ON
DECORATIVE BALLASTS

2.3 FIRST DIVISION MONUMENT GROUNDS

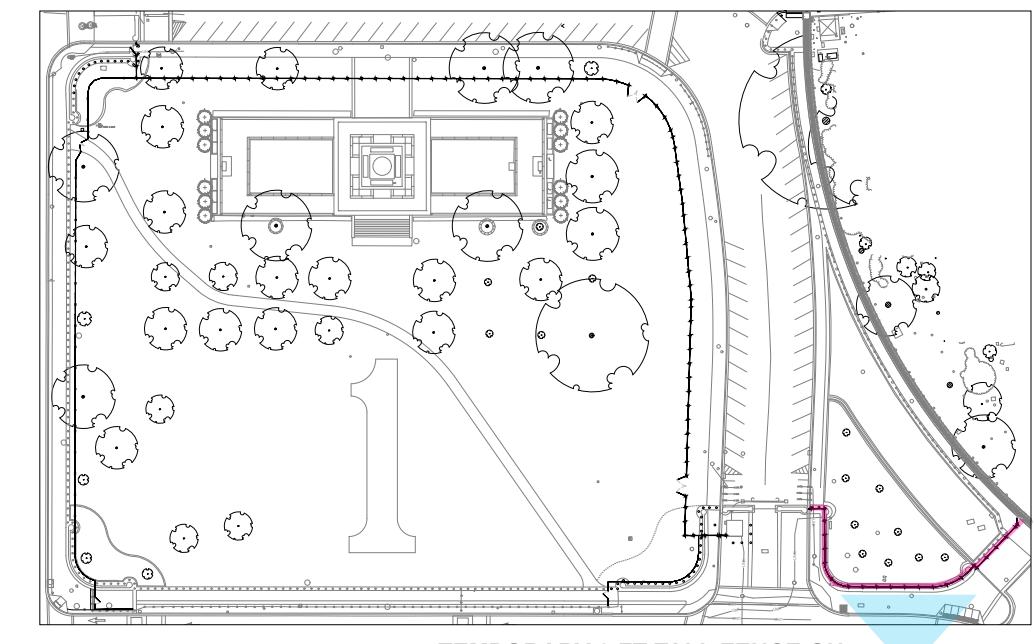
PROPOSED TEMPORARY PERIMETER SECURITY FEATURES



PROPOSED VIEW LOOKING NORTH AT RETAINING WALL FROM E STREET SHOWING TEMPORARY 6-FOOT-TALL DECORATIVE METAL FENCE ABOVE EXISTING GRANITE RETAINING WALL AND SUPPORTED BY BALLASTS BEYOND (NOT VISIBLE FROM THIS PERSPECTIVE).



EXISTING VIEW LOOKING NORTH AT EXISTING WALL.



KEY PLAN

TEMPORARY 6-FT-TALL FENCE ON
EXISTING WALL WITH BALLASTS

2.4 FIRST DIVISION MONUMENT GROUNDS PROPOSED PERMANENT PEDESTRIAN WALK

Standards issued under the Architectural Barriers Act (ABA) apply to facilities designed, built, altered, or leased with federal funds. The law, passed in 1968, applies to federal buildings and national parks.

The only ABA-compliant access route to the First Division Monument requires use of the sidewalk along the south side of State Place. Because State Place is typically not open to the public, NPS proposes an alternative ABA-compliant route be installed.

As shown in Figure 2.4.1, the proposed walk will originate at the existing pedestrian path to the west of the Monument and will terminate at an existing paved walk to the north of it. The proposed path traverses an area that is uniformly level and currently planted with turf grass. Minor grading of the existing topography will be required for the ABA-compliant walk and in-kind replacement of existing pavers at the existing paved pedestrian path will be performed. No trees or shrubs will be removed and no other alterations to the site are proposed as part of this work. The proposed ABA-compliant walkway will be constructed of precast concrete unit pavers selected to match those already in use at the existing paved pedestrian path.

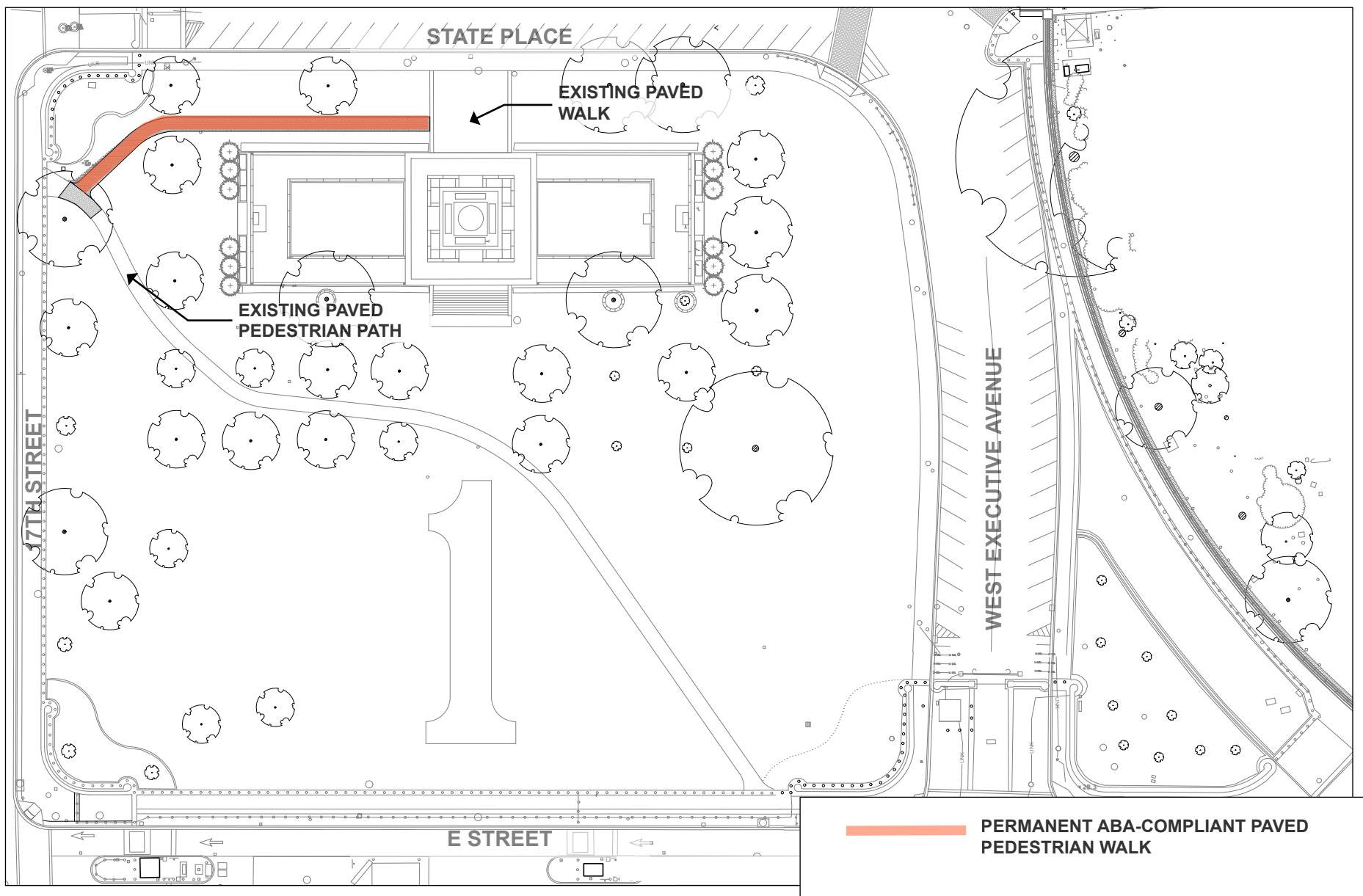


FIGURE 2.4.1 PROPOSED PERMANENT ABA-COMPLIANT PAVED WALK.

2.4 FIRST DIVISION MONUMENT GROUNDS

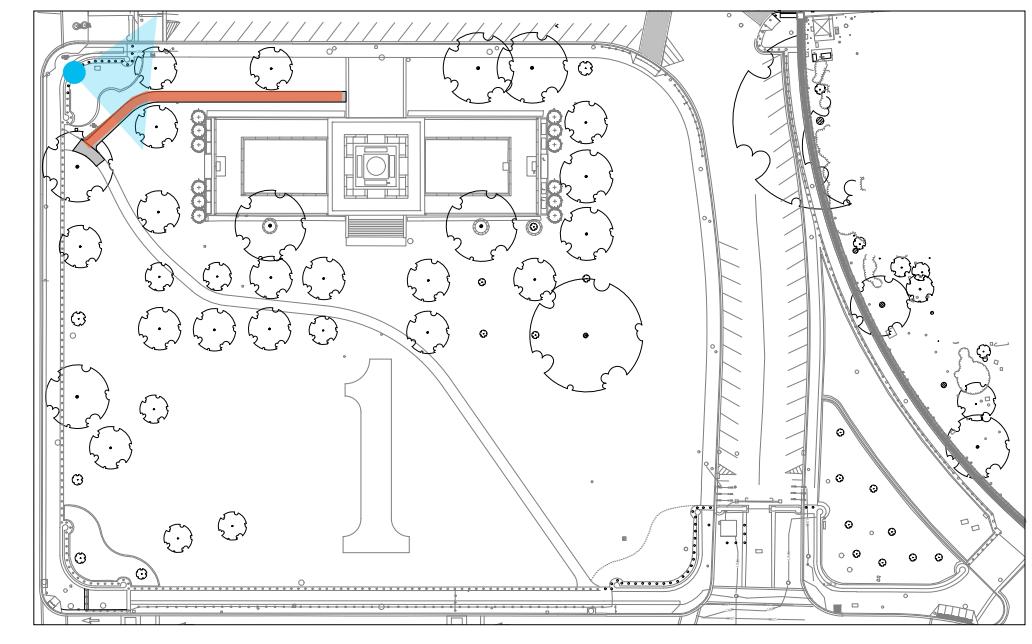
PROPOSED PERMANENT PEDESTRIAN WALK



PROPOSED VIEW LOOKING EAST TOWARD THE FIRST DIVISION MONUMENT SHOWING ABA-COMPLIANT PAVED PEDESTRIAN WALK.



EXISTING VIEW LOOKING EAST AT THE FIRST DIVISION MONUMENT.



KEY PLAN

PERMANENT ABA-COMPLIANT PAVED PEDESTRIAN WALK

3. ENVIRONMENTAL AND HISTORICAL CONSIDERATIONS

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3.1 HISTORIC PRESERVATION - DESIGN APPROACH

President's Park is a nationally significant cultural landscape in the monumental core of Washington, D.C. The projects discussed in this report have minor impacts on materials and settings that are contributing resources to the President's Park cultural landscape. Care has been taken to ensure that the proposed projects are compatible with the existing resources and are non-destructive in their installation.

The decorative metal picket fences were selected to be visually compatible with the surrounds, stately yet less ornate than the permanent fences already used in President's Park. The anti-climb fence proposed for the north end of West Executive Avenue is on the non-public side of the existing perimeter fence and is fabricated of a material that visually blends into the surroundings. Proposed security fences will be installed on ballasts to avoid contact with any subsurface resources. The exception to this is the four-foot-tall fence that will be installed using cast-in-place footings but these are proposed for a discrete area where major disturbance occurred in 2001-2003 with the installation of decorative bollards. Spikes temporarily affixed to existing fences on West Executive Avenue will not damage the historic materials and are easily reversible. All temporary fences and spikes will be removed when permanent fixtures are installed, a period of approximately three years.

The proposed permanent paved pedestrian walk in the First Division Monument Grounds requires minimal grading and avoids the removal of any historic features. The approach to the Monument from State Place was established in 1926: the introduced paving respects that relationship and addresses modern circulation patterns and security protocol that likely were not anticipated a century ago.

Background research conducted in advance of the development of these perimeter security interdictions was used to inform the final designs. Archaeological documentation was reviewed, cultural landscape reports were consulted, numerous site visits were conducted, and designs were developed in consultation with the National Park Service, the United States Secret Service, the General Services Administration, and the U.S. Treasury. NPS will work with DC SHPO and other consulting parties to avoid, minimize, or mitigate any adverse effects on historic resources. NPS has initiated consultation with DC SHPO and local Native American Tribes in compliance with Section 106 of the NHPA and its implementing regulations.

The List of Consulting Parties contacted as part of the Section 106 process follows.

3. ENVIRONMENTAL AND HISTORICAL CONSIDERATIONS

3.1 HISTORIC PRESERVATION: CONSULTING PARTIES TO SECTION 106

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TABLE 3.1.2 DRAFT LIST OF PRESERVATION ADVOCACY GROUPS CONSULTING PARTIES FOR SECTION 106.

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TABLE 3.1.3 DRAFT LIST OF NATIVE AMERICAN TRIBES CONSULTING PARTIES FOR SECTION 106.

3. ENVIRONMENTAL AND HISTORICAL CONSIDERATIONS

3.2 NATURAL RESOURCES AND FLOODING

Natural Resources

The project sites are in an urban zone in Washington D.C.'s Monumental Core. There are no existing natural resources that will be affected by the project.

Flooding

President's Park is located on FEMA Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM) Number 110001 effective September 27, 2010. The Potomac Park flood control levee, located just south of the intersection of 17th Street, SW and Constitution Avenue, NW, was altered in 2014 to provide a reliable removable flood control system that meets FEMA's standards. As a result, FEMA has issued a Letter of Map Revision (LOMR), effective September 14, 2016, that includes President's Park. As shown on the FIRM, the project sites are outside the 100-year and 500-year floodplains. Existing and future site features within the project area are not likely to increase flood levels, impede flood flow, or adversely impact floodplain function.

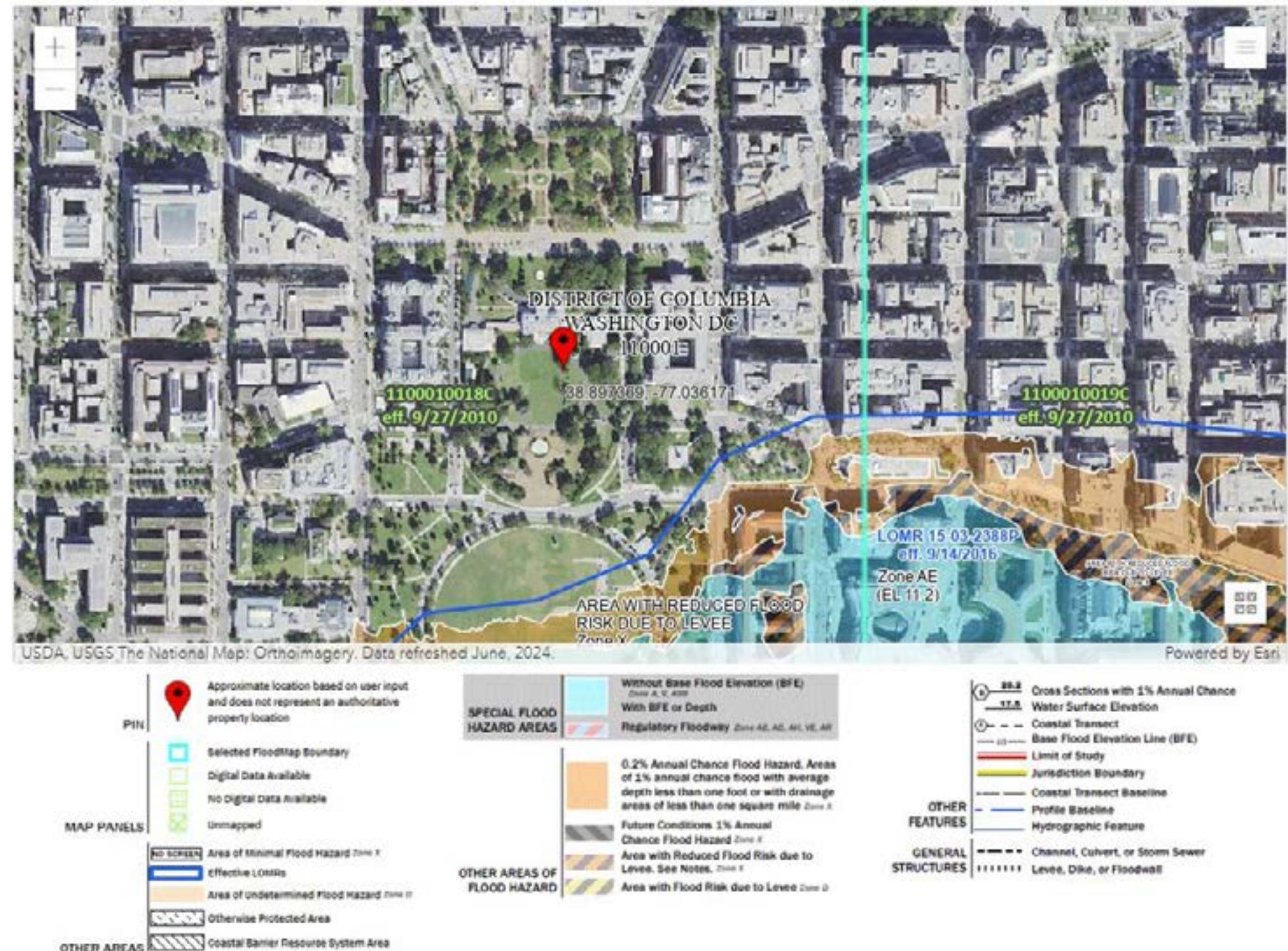


FIGURE 3.2.1 FEMA FLOOD INSURANCE RATE MAP (FIRM) NUMBER 110001 ACCESSED MARCH 5, 2025.

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3.3 STORMWATER MANAGEMENT

The D.C. Department of Energy and Environment (DOEE) requires that projects involving land disturbance exceeding 50 square feet undergo plan review, approval, and implementation of Erosion and Sediment Control measures. Additionally, for projects with more than 5,000 square feet of land disturbance and a post-project impervious surface area of 2,500 square feet, Stormwater Management practices are required.

Each area in this project maintains land disturbance below the 5,000 square foot threshold for Stormwater Management.

THE WHITE HOUSE AND PRESIDENT'S PARK
FOUR CORNERS PROJECT

**TEMPORARY FENCING:
WEST EXECUTIVE AVENUE &
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