

**AGENDA
OURAY CITY COUNCIL**

Monday, September 15, 2025 - 3:00 PM

**Ouray Community Center
320 6th Ave
Ouray, CO 81427**

VIRTUAL OPTION - <https://zoom.us/j/9349389230>

Meeting ID: 934 938 9230 Passcode: 491878 Or dial: 408 638 0968 or 669 900 6833

Ouray City Council Work Session

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- Electronic copies of the Council Packet are available on the City website at www.cityofouray.com. A hard copy of the Packet is also available at the Administrative Office for interested citizens.
- Notice is hereby given that a majority or quorum of the Planning Commission, Ouray Economic Development Committee, Beautification Committee, Tourism Advisory Committee, Main Streets Committee, and/or Parks and Recreation Committee may be present at the above noticed City Council meeting to discuss any or all of the matters on the agenda below for Council consideration

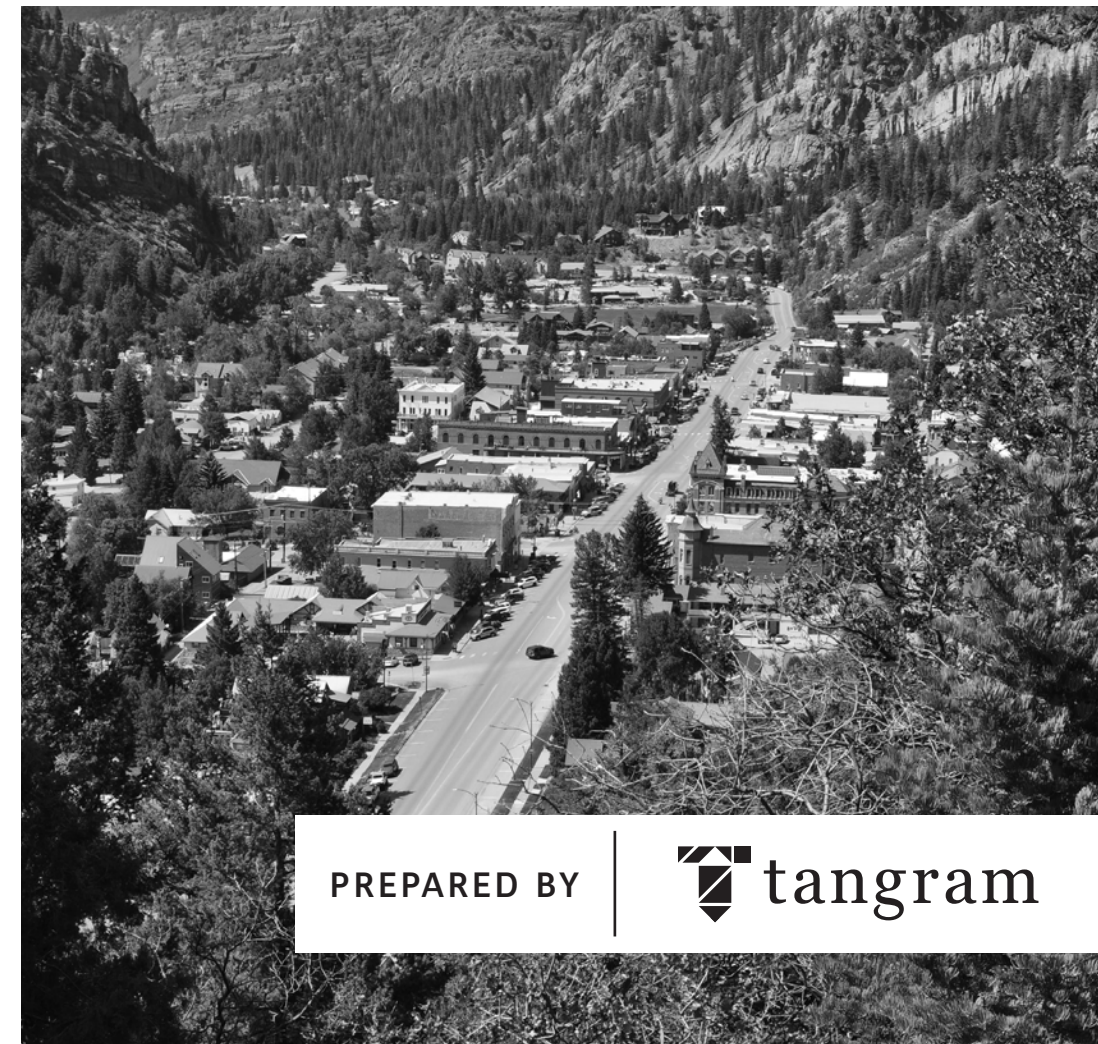
1. CALL TO ORDER
2. DISCUSSION ITEM - Wayfinding Signage



City of Ouray, CO

Wayfinding Signage: Plans to Address Phase 1 Signs

SEPTEMBER 15, 2025



existing
vehicular signage



vehicular signage
design guidelines &
cone of vision

MUTCD/CDOT & ADA design guidelines

MUTCD/CDOT & ADA GUIDELINES

MUTCD/CDOT

- The Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD) sets the national standards for all road signs, signals, and pavement markings to ensure consistency, safety, and clear communication for drivers and pedestrians.

ADA

- The Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) guidelines establish accessibility requirements for signage, such as tactile lettering, braille, height, and contrast, so that people of all abilities can navigate public spaces independently and safely.

MUTCD/CDOT & ADA GUIDELINES

Letter Height Requirements

- **MUTCD Section 2D.50 (Community Wayfinding Signs), Paragraph 12:**
On low-speed roadways (25 mph or less), the minimum letter height should be 3 inches for lowercase letters with initial uppercase letters 4 inches high.



MUTCD/CDOT & ADA GUIDELINES

Message Spacing Requirements

- **Standard Highway Signs Companion Document (Supplements the MUTCD):**
Interline spacing should be approximately three-fourths the average of the capital or uppercase letter heights in adjacent lines.
- **Standard Highway Signs Companion Document (Supplements the MUTCD):**
Spacing to the top and bottom borders should be approximately equal to the average letter height of the adjacent line of letters



MUTCD/CDOT & ADA GUIDELINES

Symbol Size Requirements

- **CDOT Guide Signing Policies & Procedures (2021 Edition), Page 27:**
The minimum symbol size for 25mph roads is a minimum of 8 inches.



MUTCD/CDOT & ADA GUIDELINES

Height Requirements

- **MUTCD Section 2A.18 (Mounting Height), Paragraph 5 & 7:**

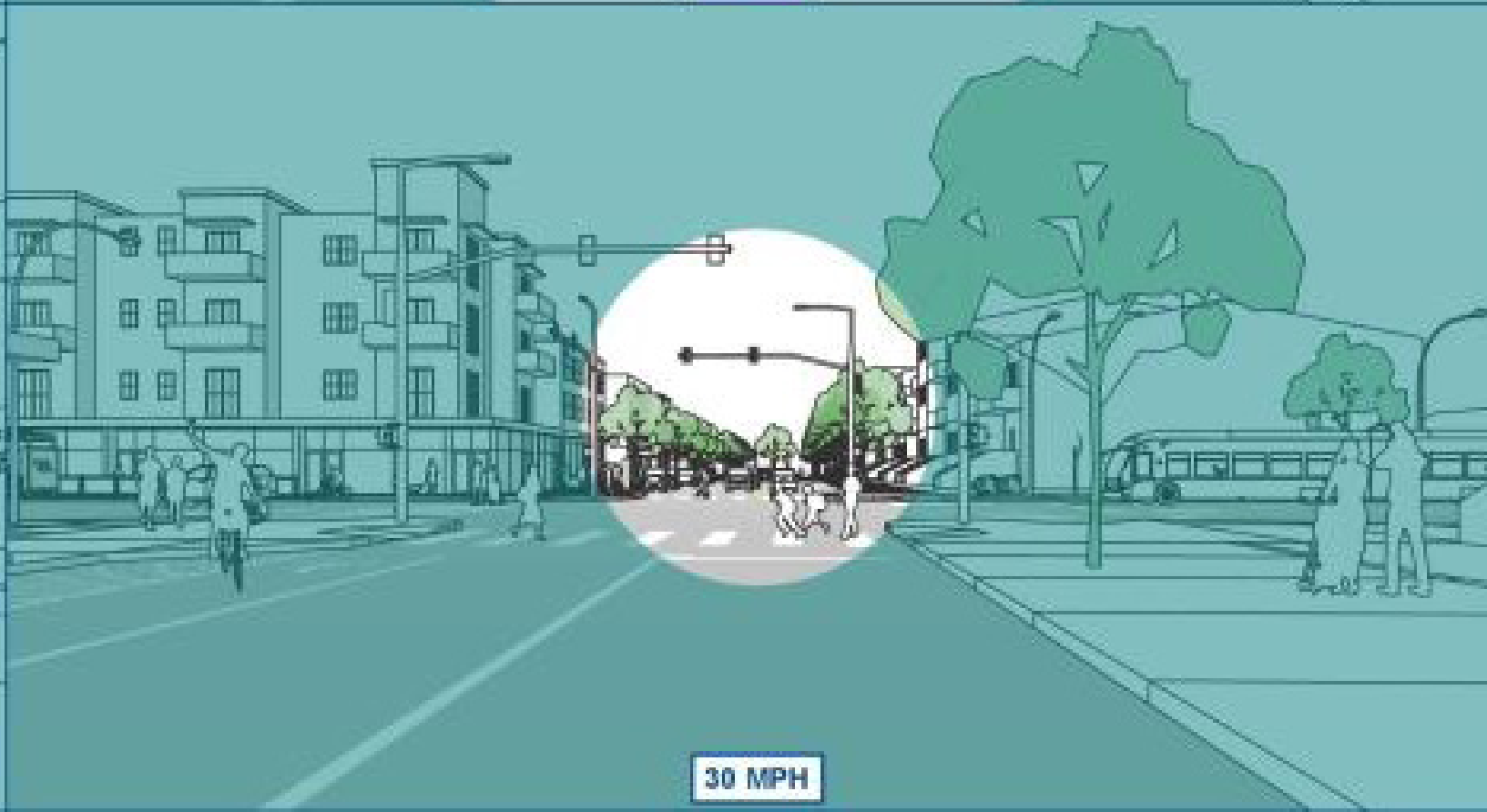
If the sign is installed on a sidewalk or pedestrian pathway, the bottom of the sign shall be at least 7 feet above the sidewalk.

- **ADA Standards Section 307, Paragraph 307.3:**

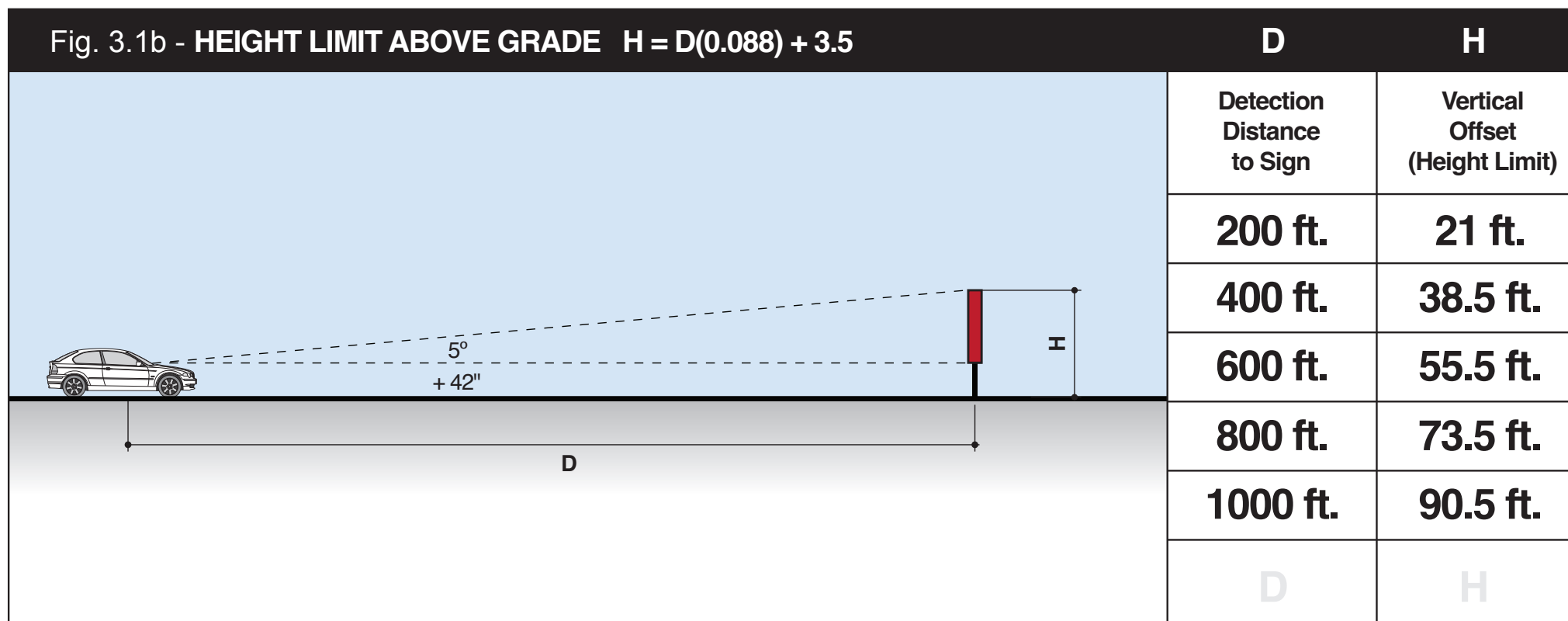
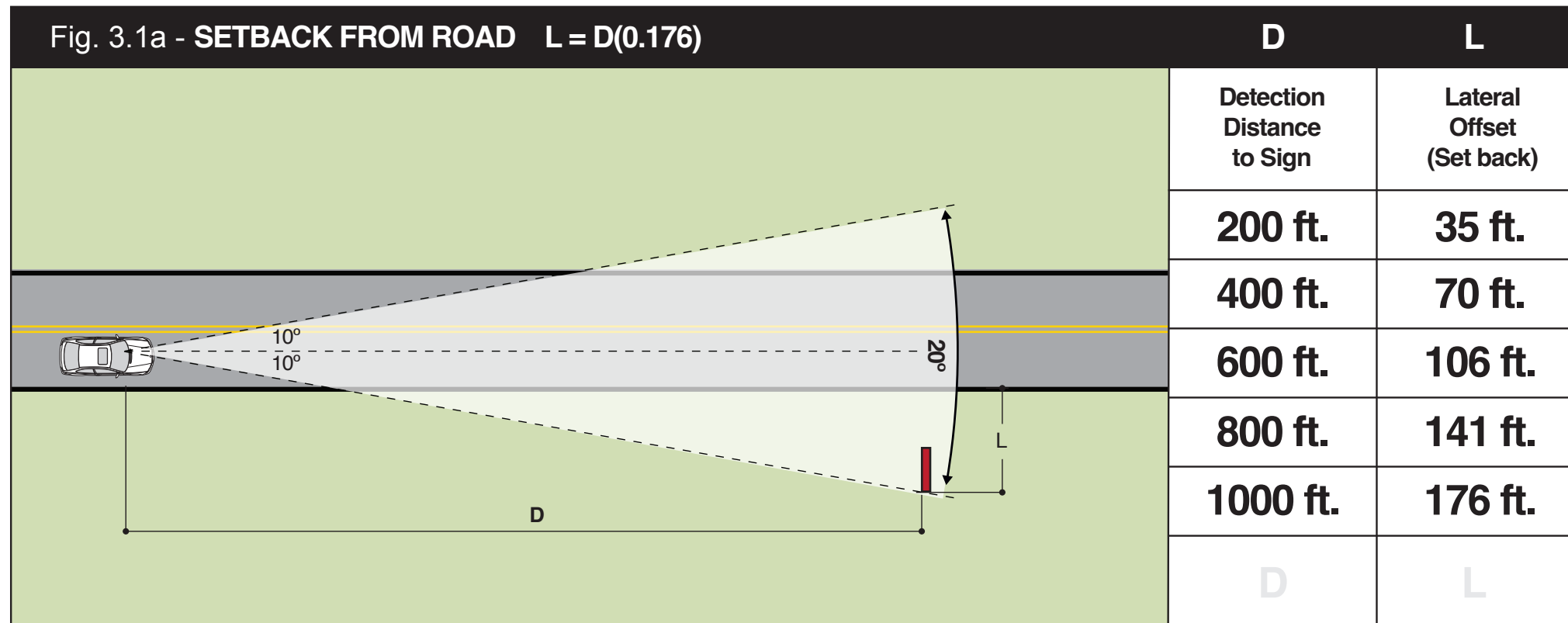
Freestanding objects mounted on posts or pylons shall overhang circulation paths no more than 12 inches when located between 27 inches and 80 inches above the floor. (No restrictions for items overhanging 80 inches)

driver's cone of vision

CONE OF VISION

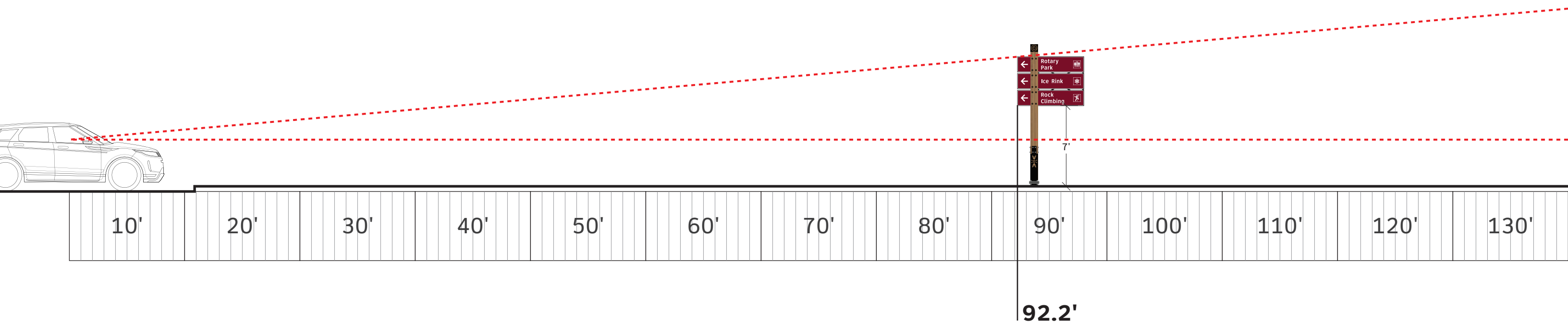


CONE OF VISION



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Letter Height (inches)	Distance for Best Impact (feet)	Legibility Index (LI) = 30
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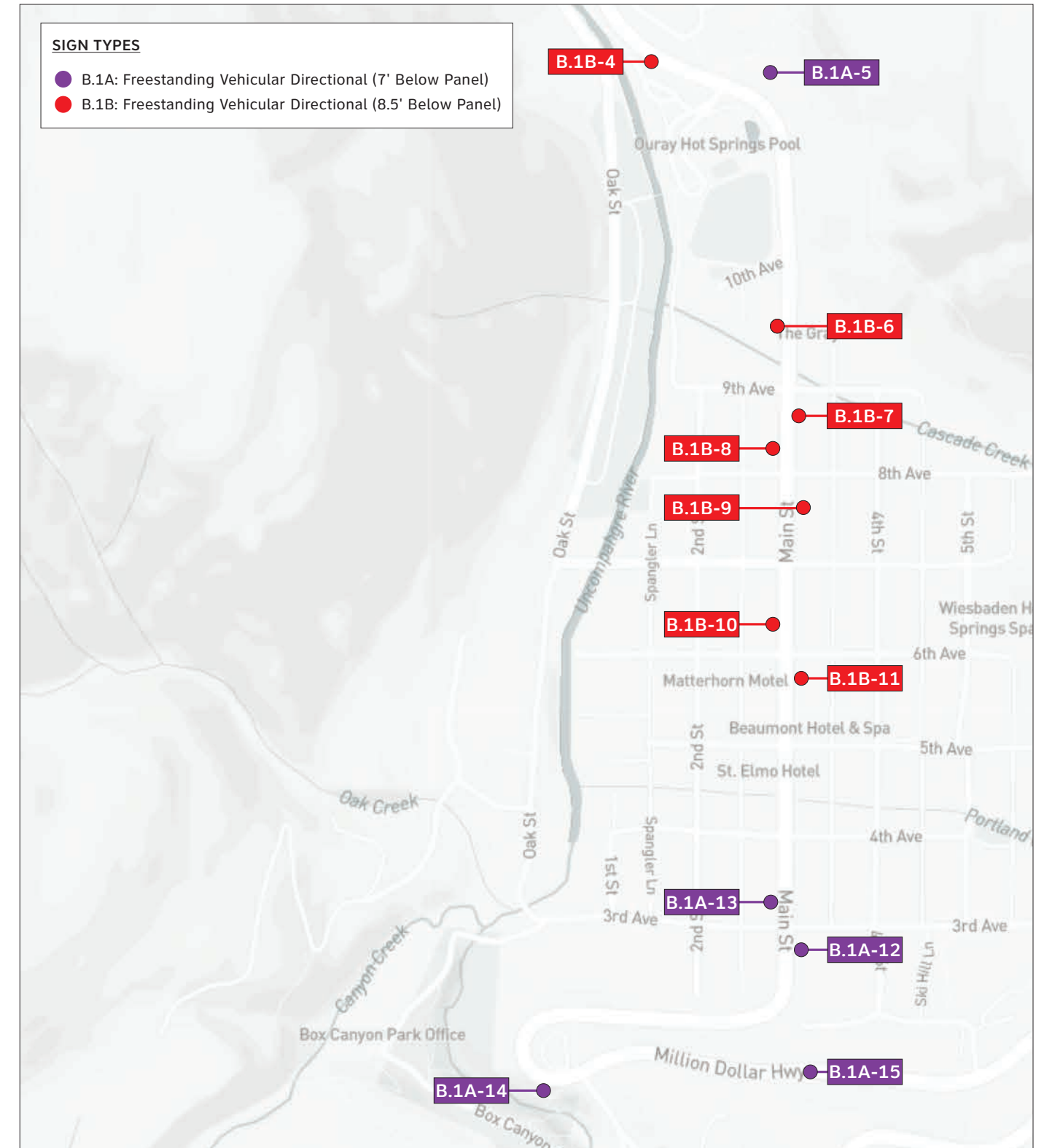


plan options to address
ph1 sign concerns

plan 1

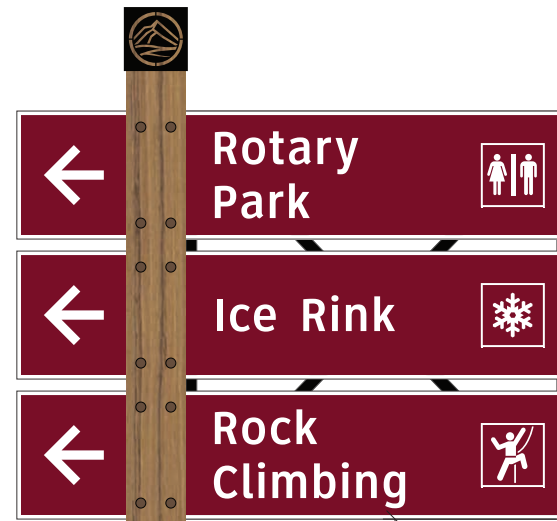
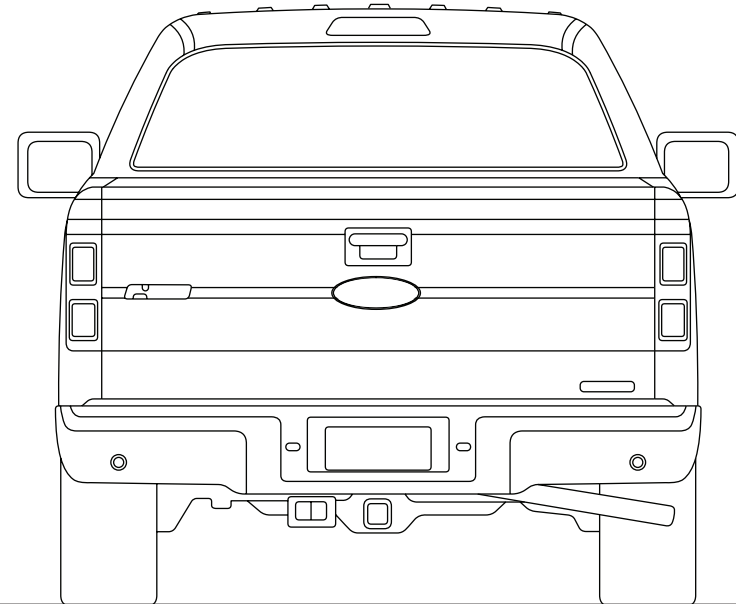
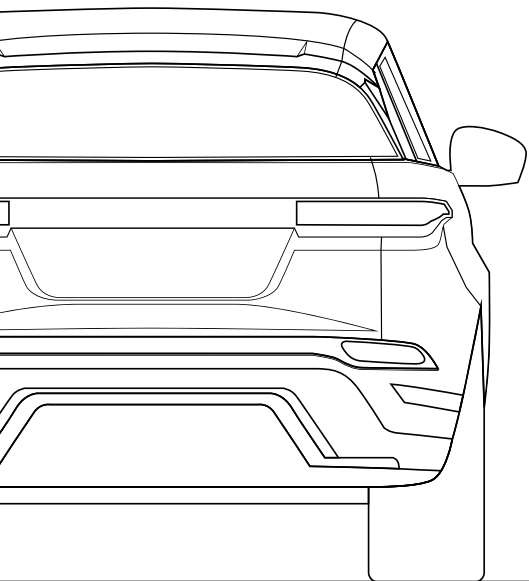
PLAN 1

- Vehicular directional signs will remain in the same location.
- Increase the height of the vehicular directional signs in the downtown core.
 - The height from the bottom of the sign panel to the ground will increase from 7' to 8' 6".
- The vehicular directional signs outside of downtown core and not over pedestrian right-of-ways will remain the same height.



B.1 Vehicular Directional (Existing)

7' Height Under Sign Panel

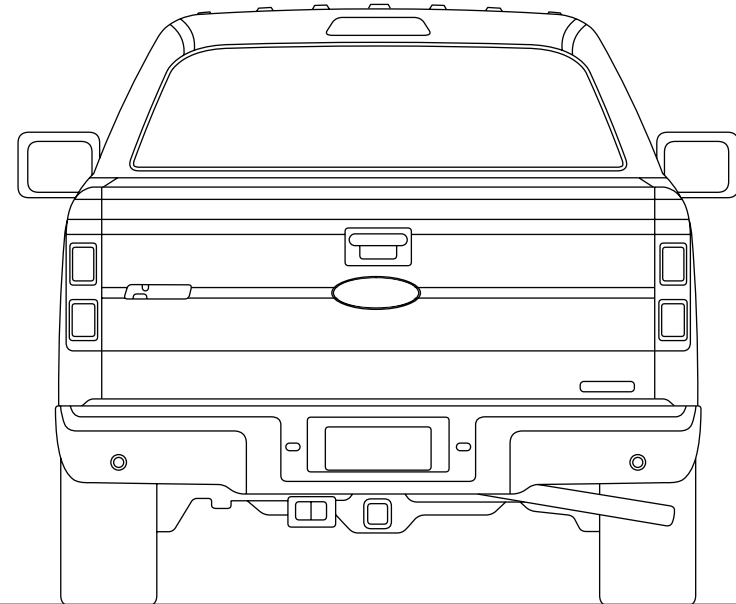
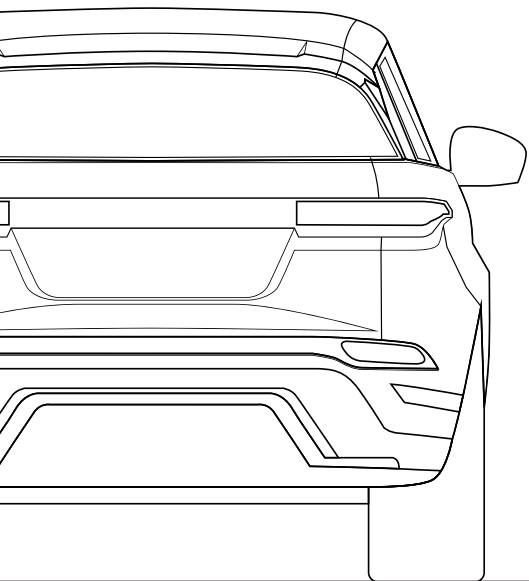


7'



Existing Building Front

B.1B Vehicular Directional
8' 6" Height Under Sign Panel



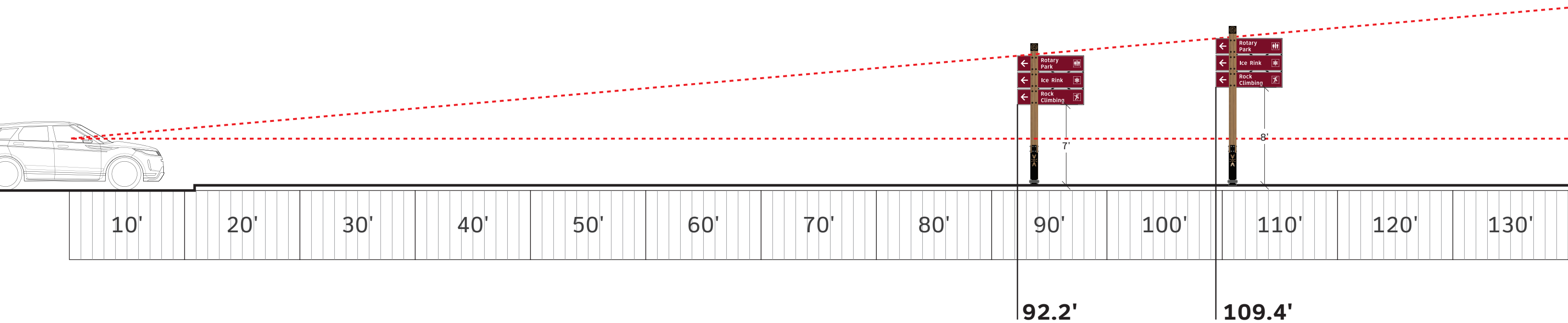
8.5'



Existing Building Front

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Current Height (7')



Updated Height (8.5')

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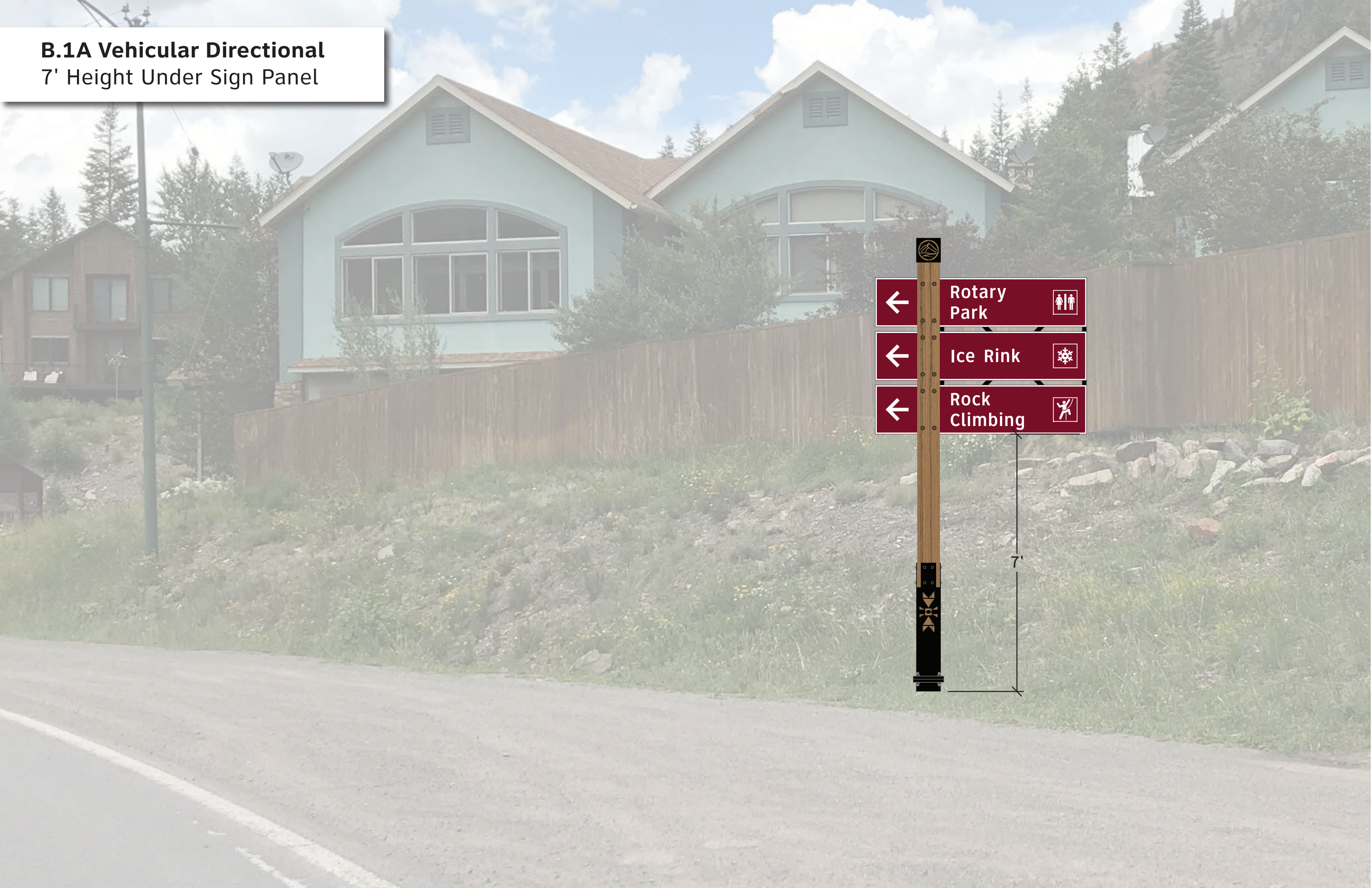


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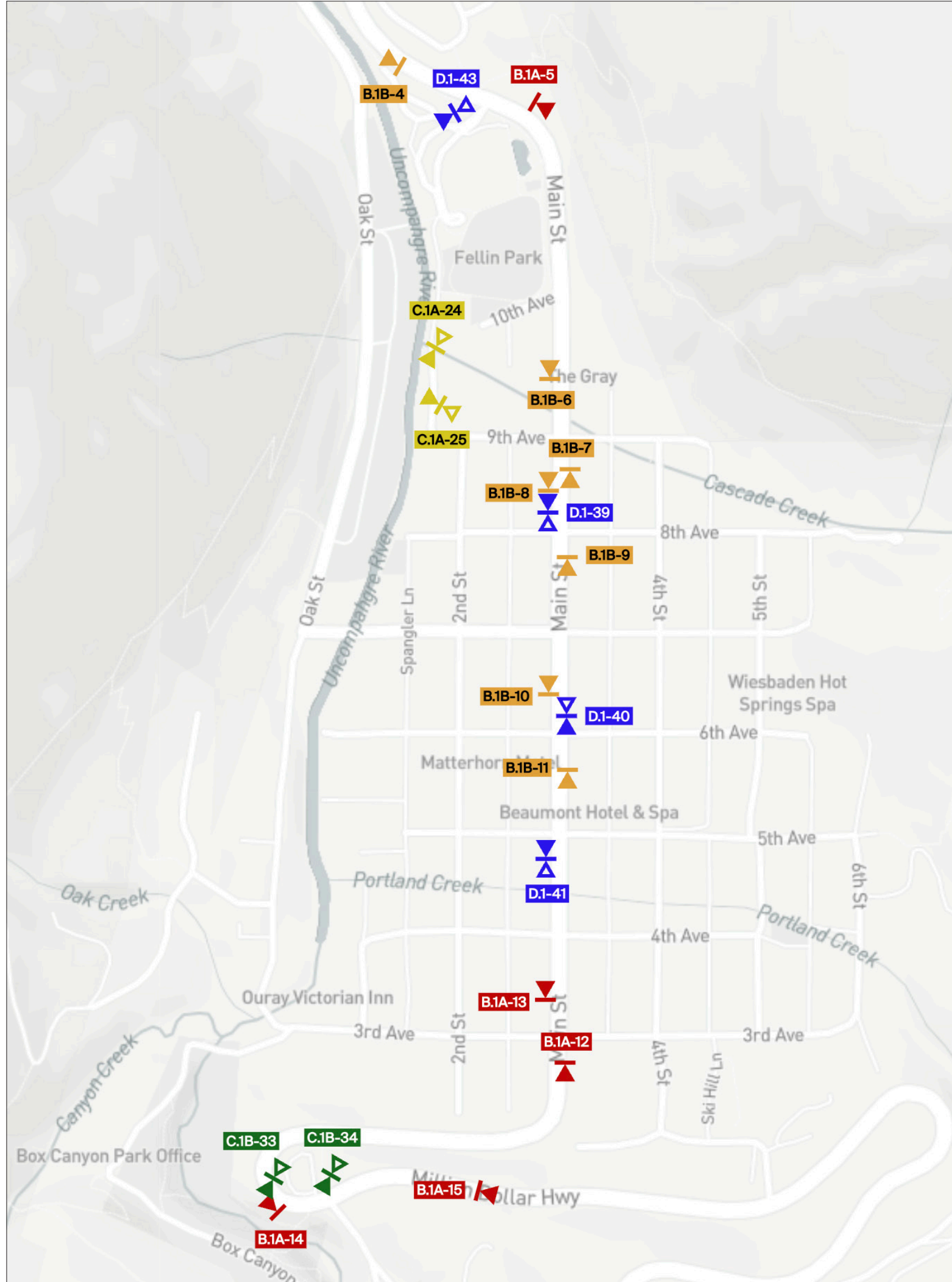


Updated Height (8.5')

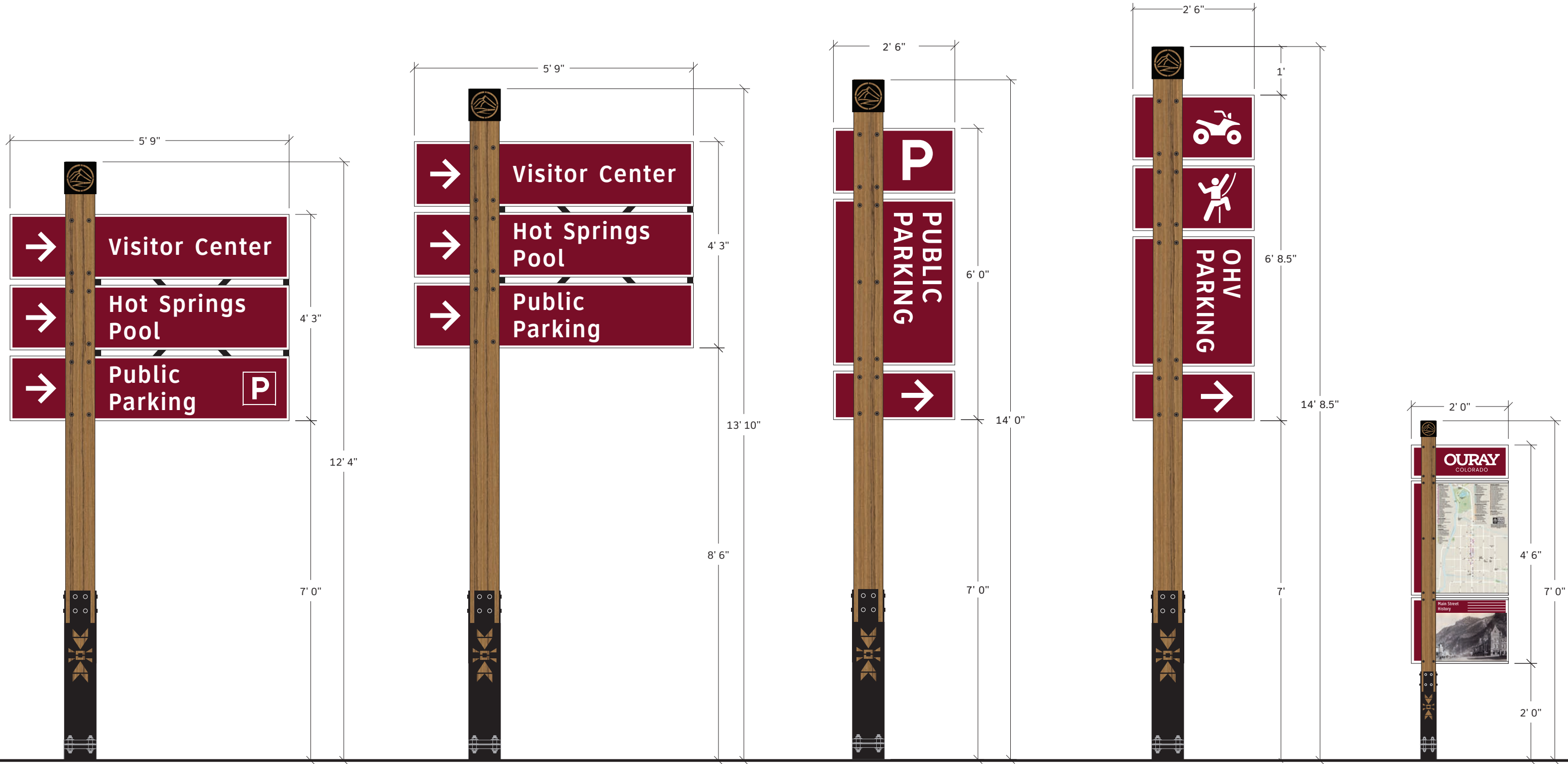
B.1A Vehicular Directional
7' Height Under Sign Panel



Plan 1: Sign Location Plan



Plan 1: Sign Family



B.1A Vehicular Directional
(Outside the Downtown Core)

B.1B Vehicular Directional
(Inside the Downtown Core)

C.1A Parking Identification

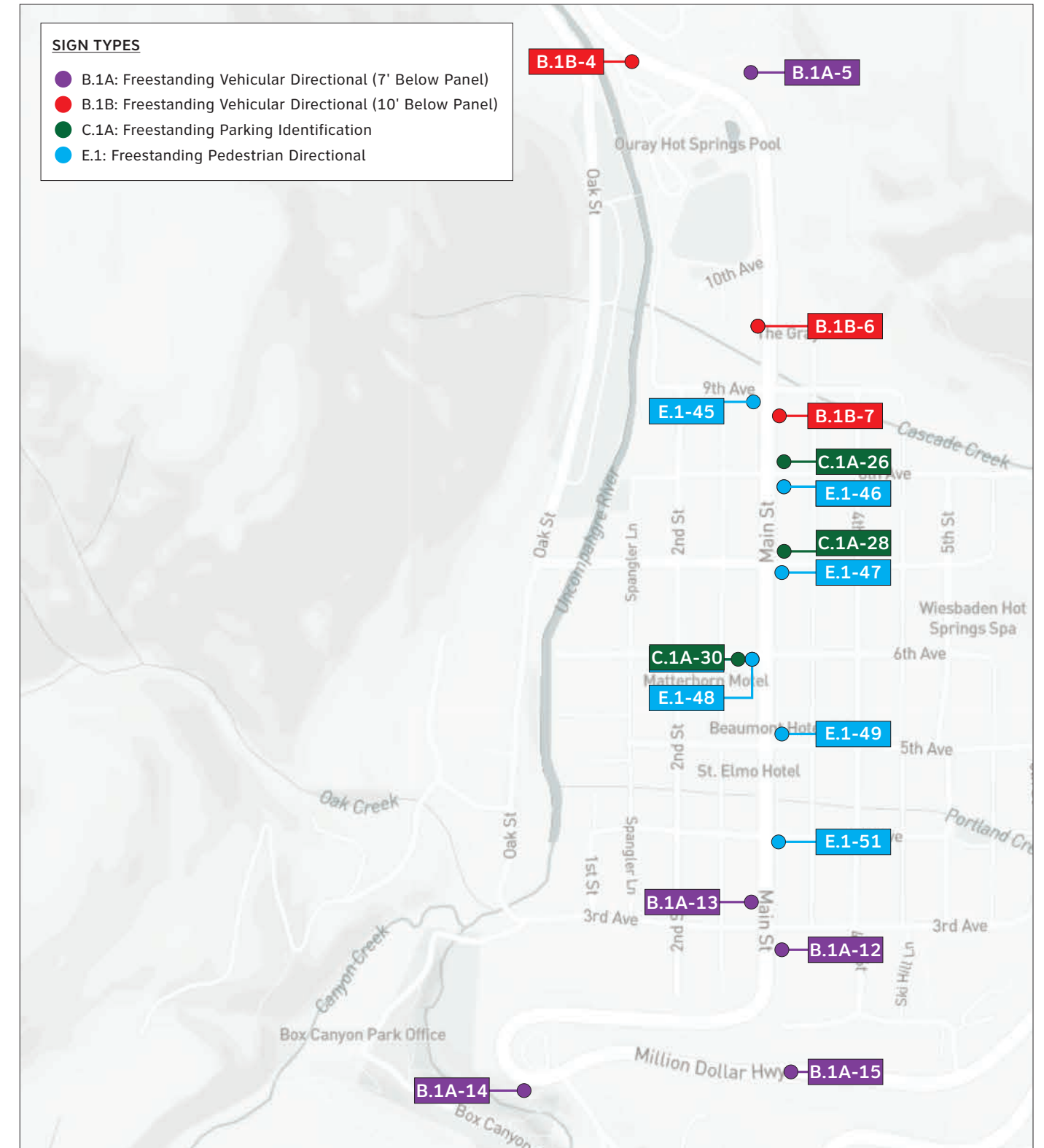
C.1B Parking Identification

D.1 Directory

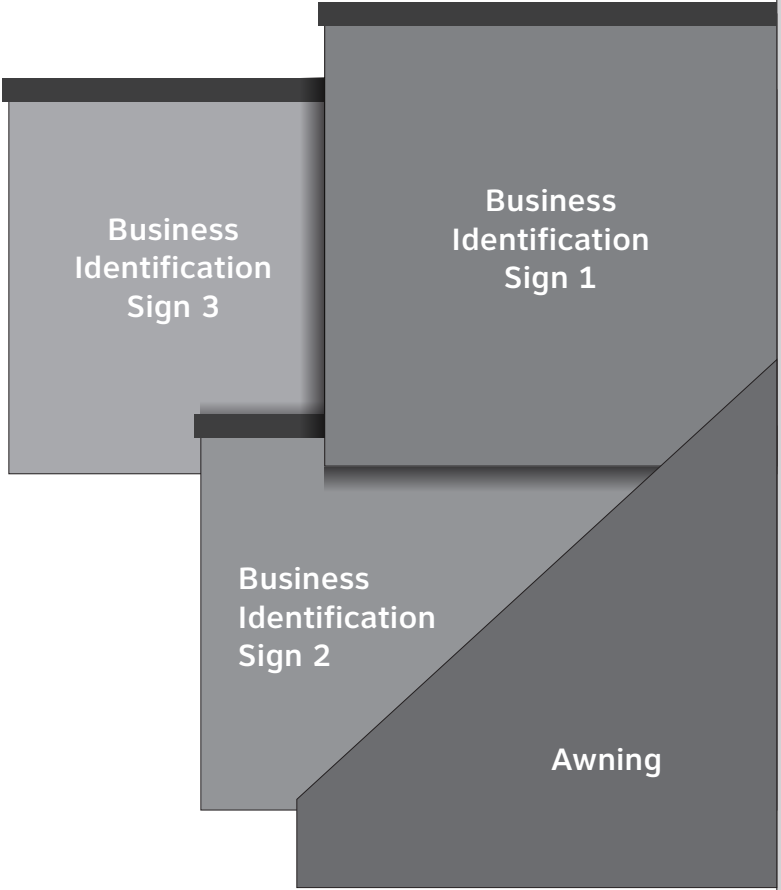
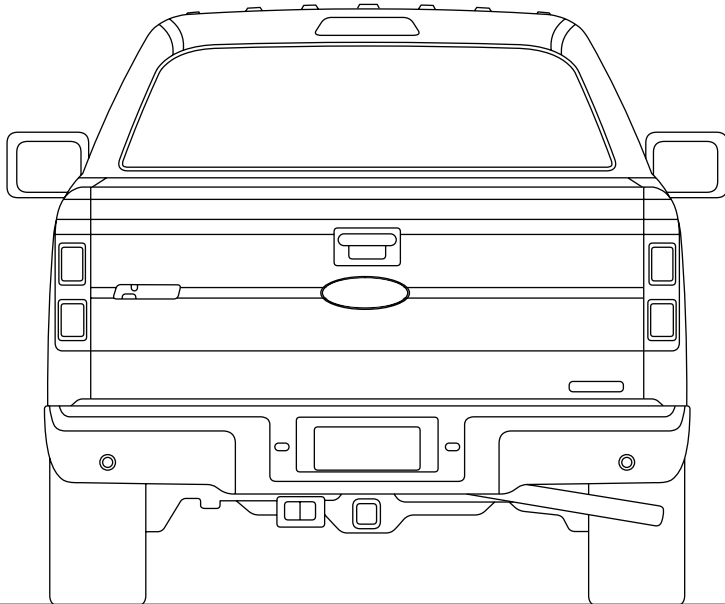
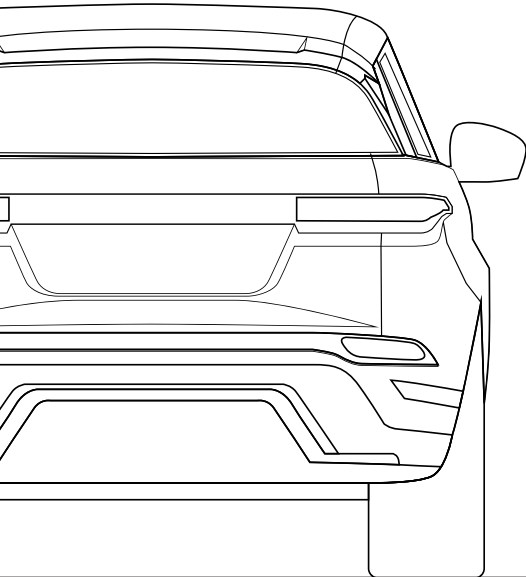
plan 2

PLAN 2

- Replace the vehicular signs in the downtown core with pedestrian wayfinding (sign type E.1) and parking identification signs (sign type C.1A).
- Signs B.1-6 and B.1-7 will remain since they direct to key parking areas.
 - The height from the bottom of the sign panel to the ground will increase from 7' to 8' 6".
- The vehicular signs outside of historic downtown and not over pedestrian right-of-ways remain the same design/height.
- B.1-12 and B.1-13 will remain since they are outside the downtown core area.
 - The height from the bottom of the sign panel will remain at 7'.



E.1 Pedestrian Directional
7' Height Under Sign Panel



Existing Building Front

E.1 Pedestrian Directional
7' Height Under Sign Panel



- City Hall .5 blk
- Public Restrooms .5 blk
- Library .5 blk
- Ouray County Courthouse 1 blk
- Ouray County Museum 1.5 blk

7'

C.1A Parking Identification
7' Height Under Sign Panel



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7'



B.1B Vehicular Directional
8' 6" Height Under Sign Panel

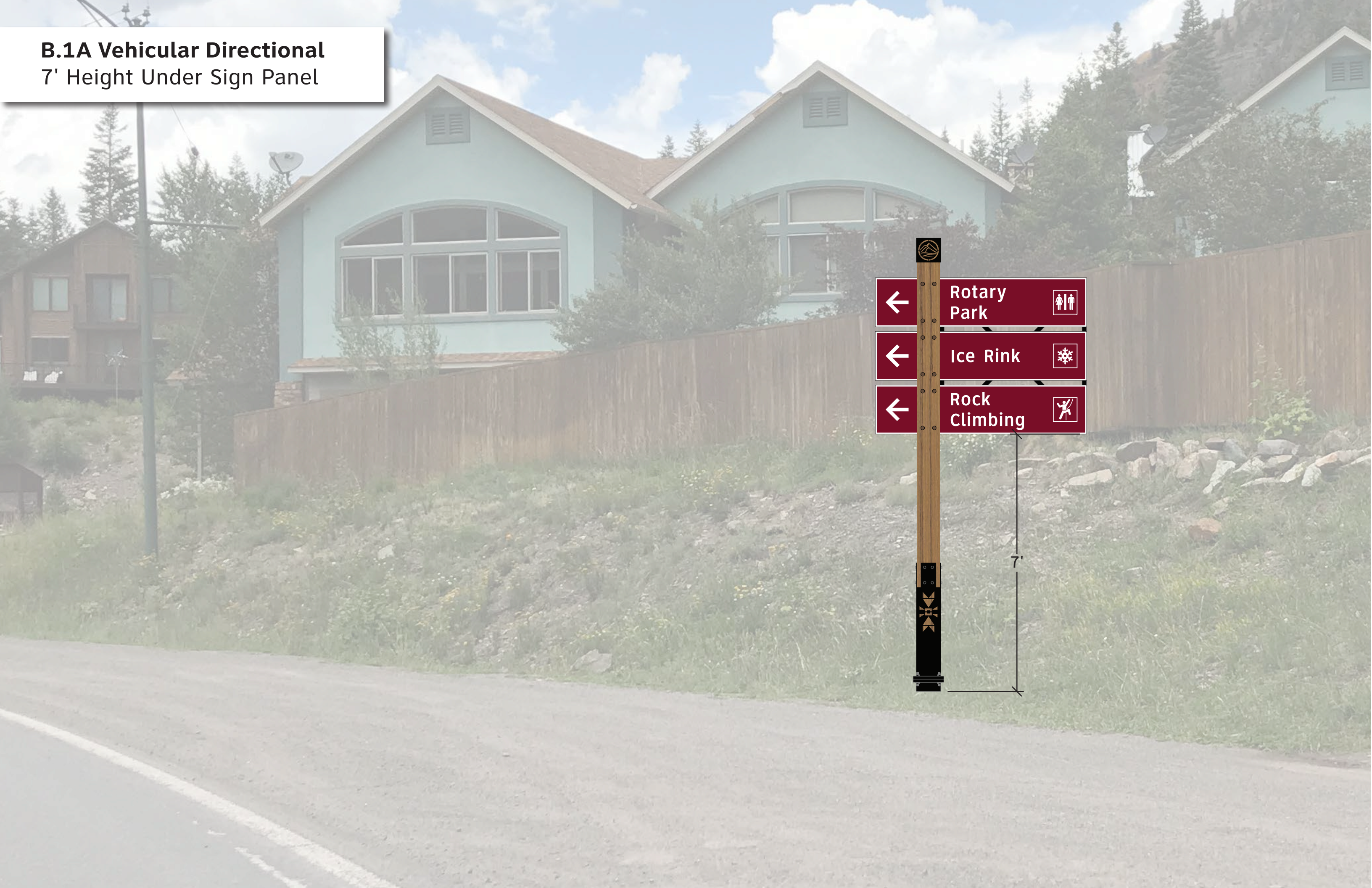


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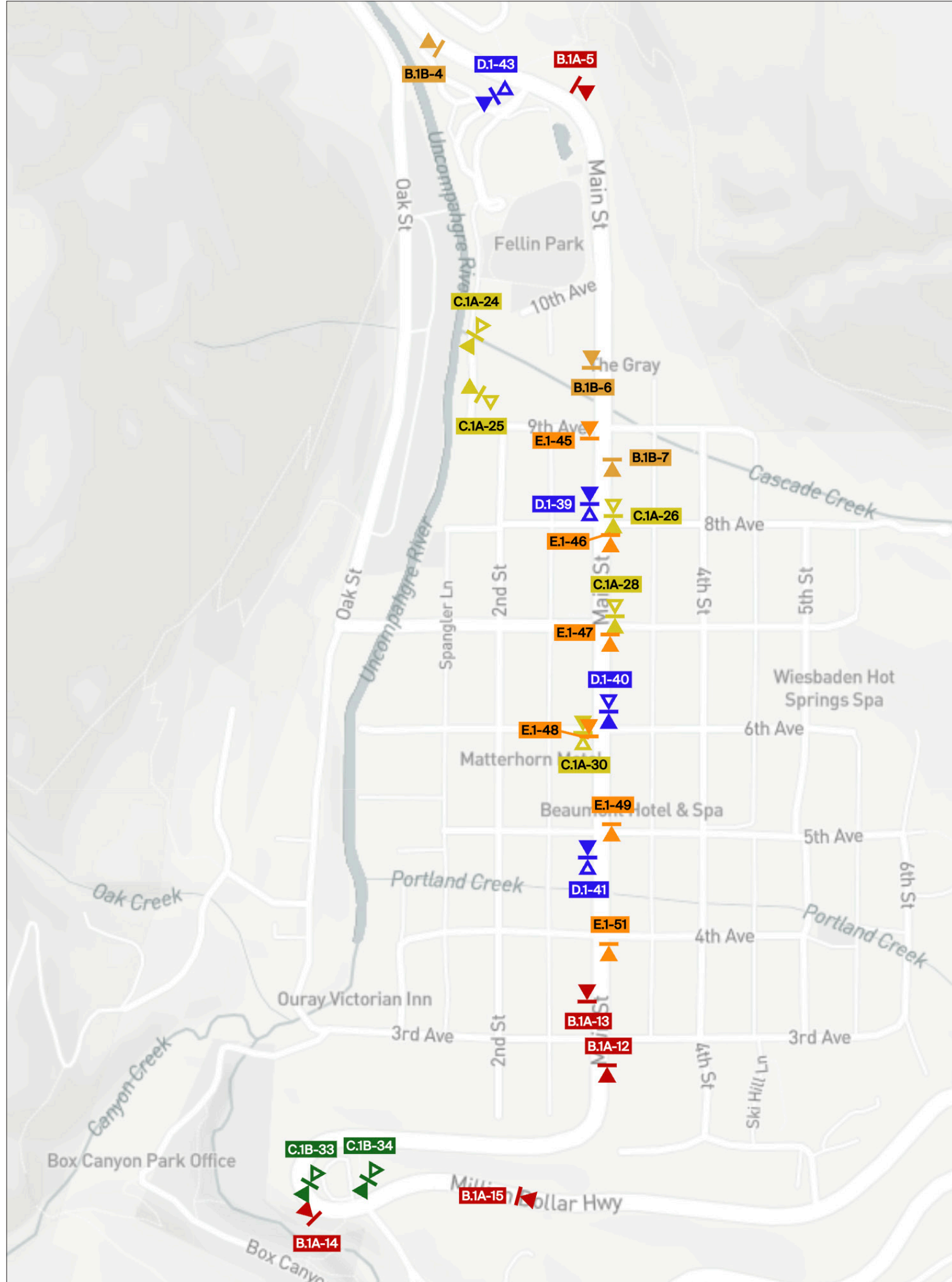


Updated Height (8.5')

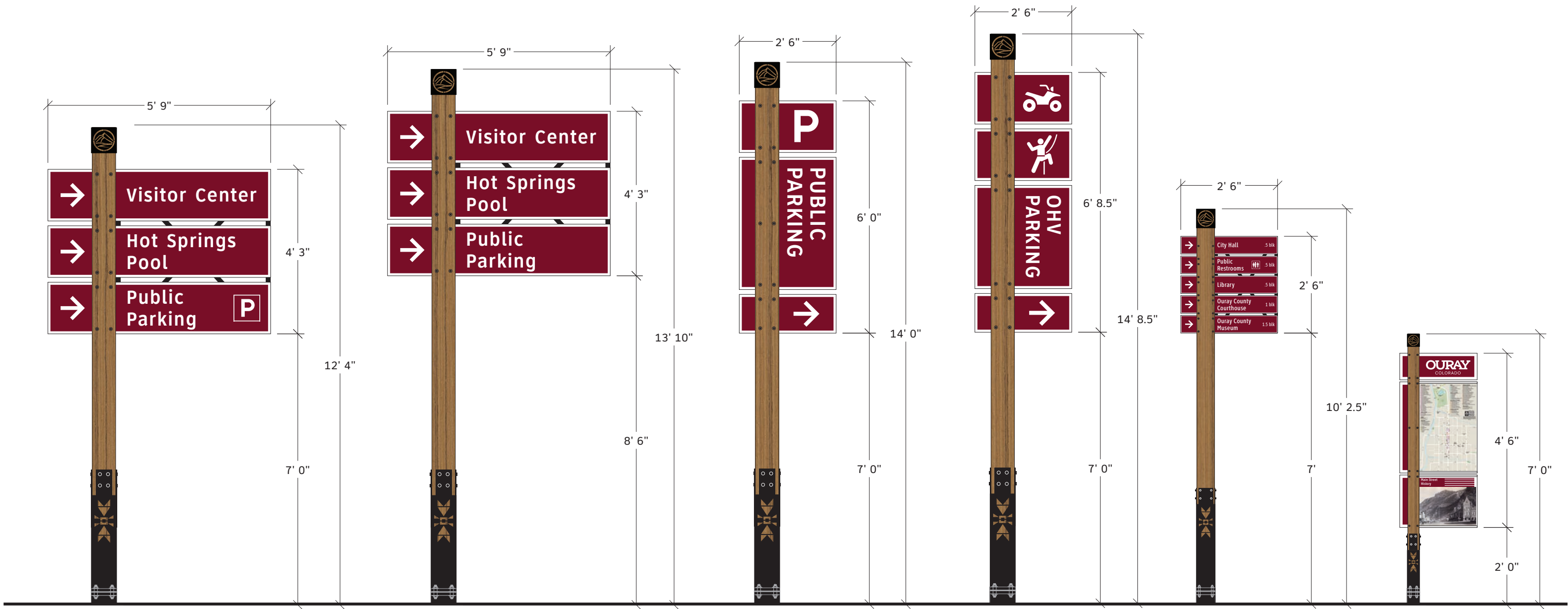
B.1A Vehicular Directional
7' Height Under Sign Panel



Plan 2: Updated Sign Location Plan



Plan 2: Sign Family



B.1A Vehicular Directional

B.1B Vehicular Directional

C.1A Parking Identification

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E.1 Pedestrian Directional

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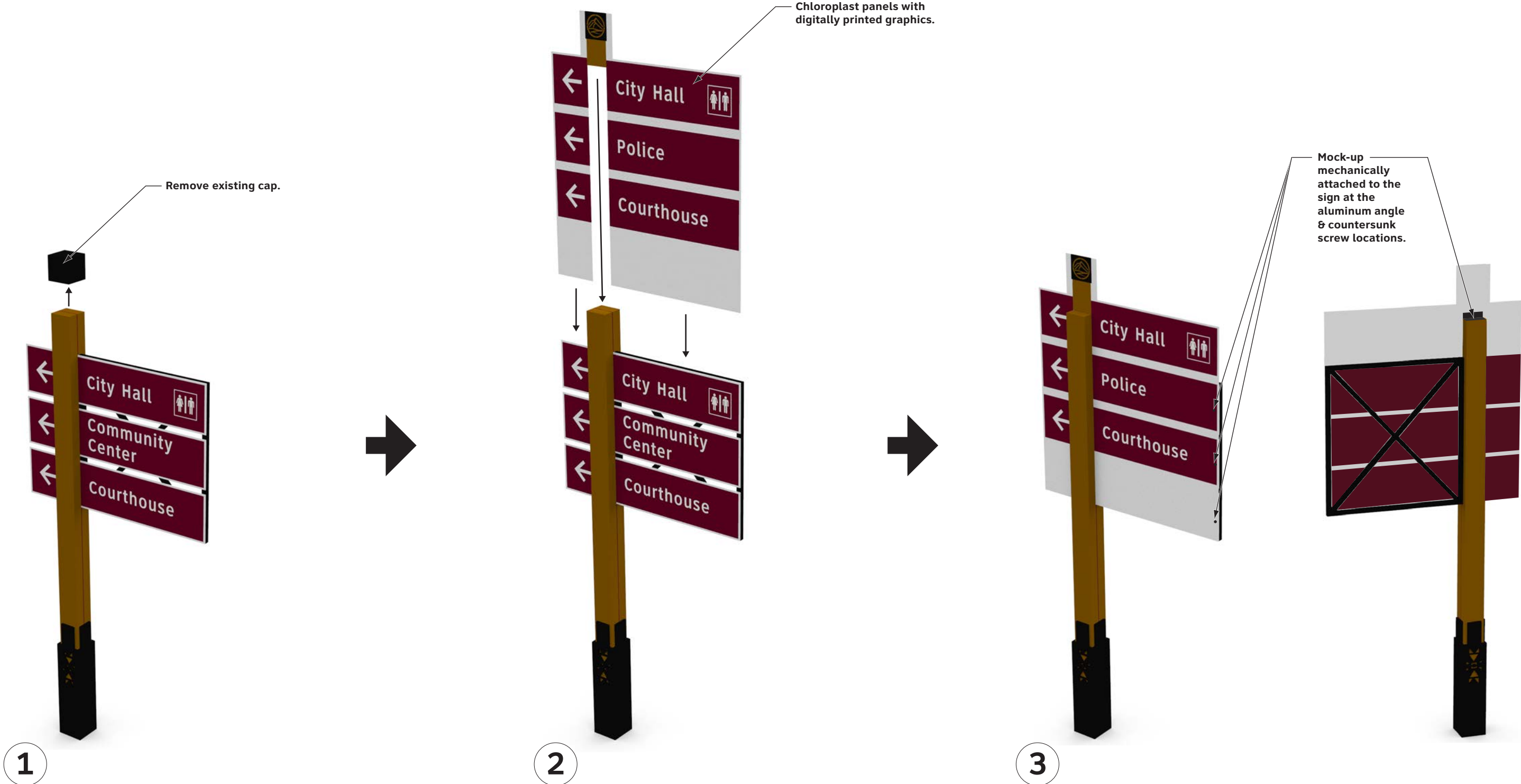
next steps

NEXT STEPS

- **Mock-up signs of the higher vehicular directional and freestanding pedestrian types will be installed for public review. These signs will remain in place for five days to allow the community to provide feedback.**
- **Following the mock-up review period, City Council will consider all feedback and determine which plan to move forward with.**

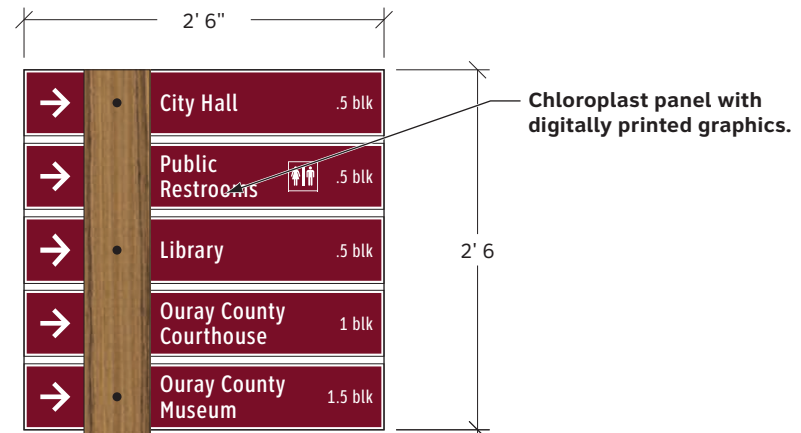
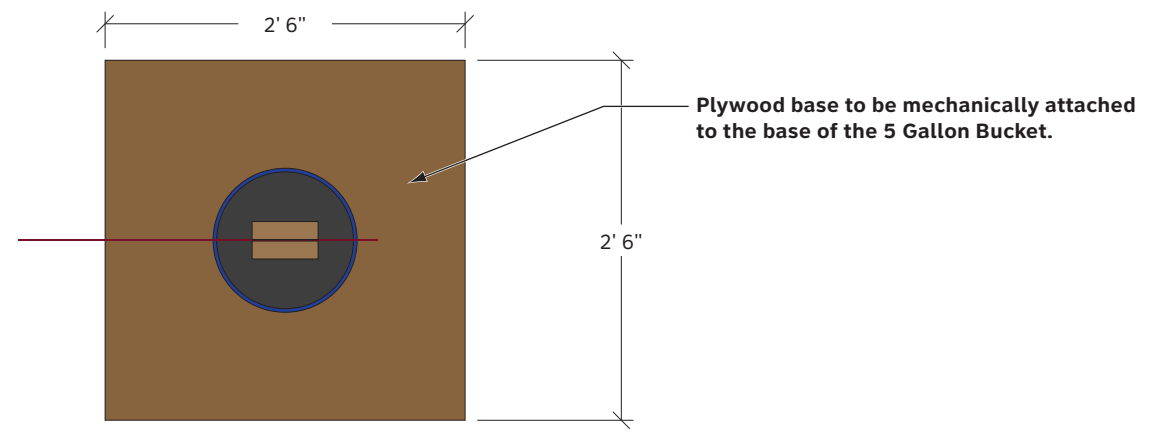
Mock-Up Panel Details

Vehicular Mock-Up Assembly



Mock-Up Panel Details

Pedestrian Mock-Up Assembly

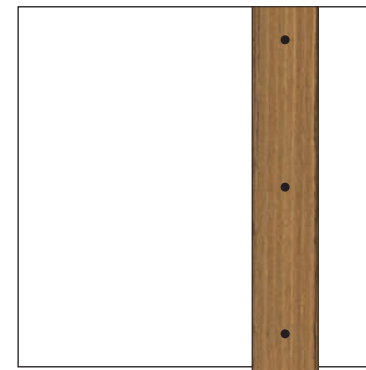


Two 2x6 wood posts to clamp the Chloroplast panel. Some additional Chloroplast should be added below the sign panel portion to give a consistent space between the wood posts.

5 Gallon Bucket to be filled with dirt, gravel, or concrete. The bottom of the bucket shall be mechanically attached to the plywood base

Sandbags for additional support for the base.

Frontside



Backside

questions/discussion

thank you