ITEM# 4

DATE: 05-27-14

### **COUNCIL ACTION FORM**

SUBJECT: TEMPORARY TRAFFIC SIGNAL INSTALLATION AT 13<sup>TH</sup> STREET AND KELLOGG AVENUE (FOR PHASE 2 OF HOSPITAL EXPANSION)

### **BACKGROUND:**

Over the past several months, staff members from the City's Public Works, Police, and Fire Departments have been conducting planning meetings with Mary Greeley Medical Center (MGMC) staff regarding a change in traffic patterns on the Hospital campus associated with Phase 2 of their expansion project. Phase 2 will involve the reconstruction of the main east-west drive within their site at 11<sup>th</sup> Street and the relocation of the main entrance used for patients. While under construction, traffic will be able to enter the Hospital campus only off of Duff Avenue and to exit the campus only on Kellogg Avenue.

MGMC and City staff also had meetings with the neighborhoods that are directly affected by this change in traffic patterns. The residents stated that their major concerns with routing traffic onto Kellogg Avenue would be with allowing those vehicles to cut-through the neighborhood to the west and to the south. They were also concerned with the material staging and parking issues associated with construction along the west side of the Hospital campus during Phase 2.

In response to these concerns, a traffic control plan for Phase 2 of the project was developed to include several features to mitigate impacts on the neighborhoods. To prevent cut-through traffic, barricades will be placed at both the 11<sup>th</sup> Street and 12<sup>th</sup> Street intersections to direct exiting traffic northward along Kellogg Avenue to 13th Street and away from the neighborhood. To accomplish this redirection, the 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> Street exits will be channelized using concrete barriers to prevent southbound and westbound movements. It should also be noted that, with the support of the residents, parking will be prohibited along both sides of Kellogg Avenue within the work zone.

Since the rerouted traffic volumes will be similar to what is currently seen at the 11<sup>th</sup> Street and Duff Avenue traffic signal, City staff recommended for safety and operational reasons that a temporary traffic signal be installed at 13<sup>th</sup> Street and Kellogg Avenue. MGMC staff has agreed to pay for this temporary traffic control device, as well as for the electricity used for the signal. This temporary signal will be designed and installed following all applicable engineering standards.

A series of maps illustrating the extent of this traffic control plan are attached.

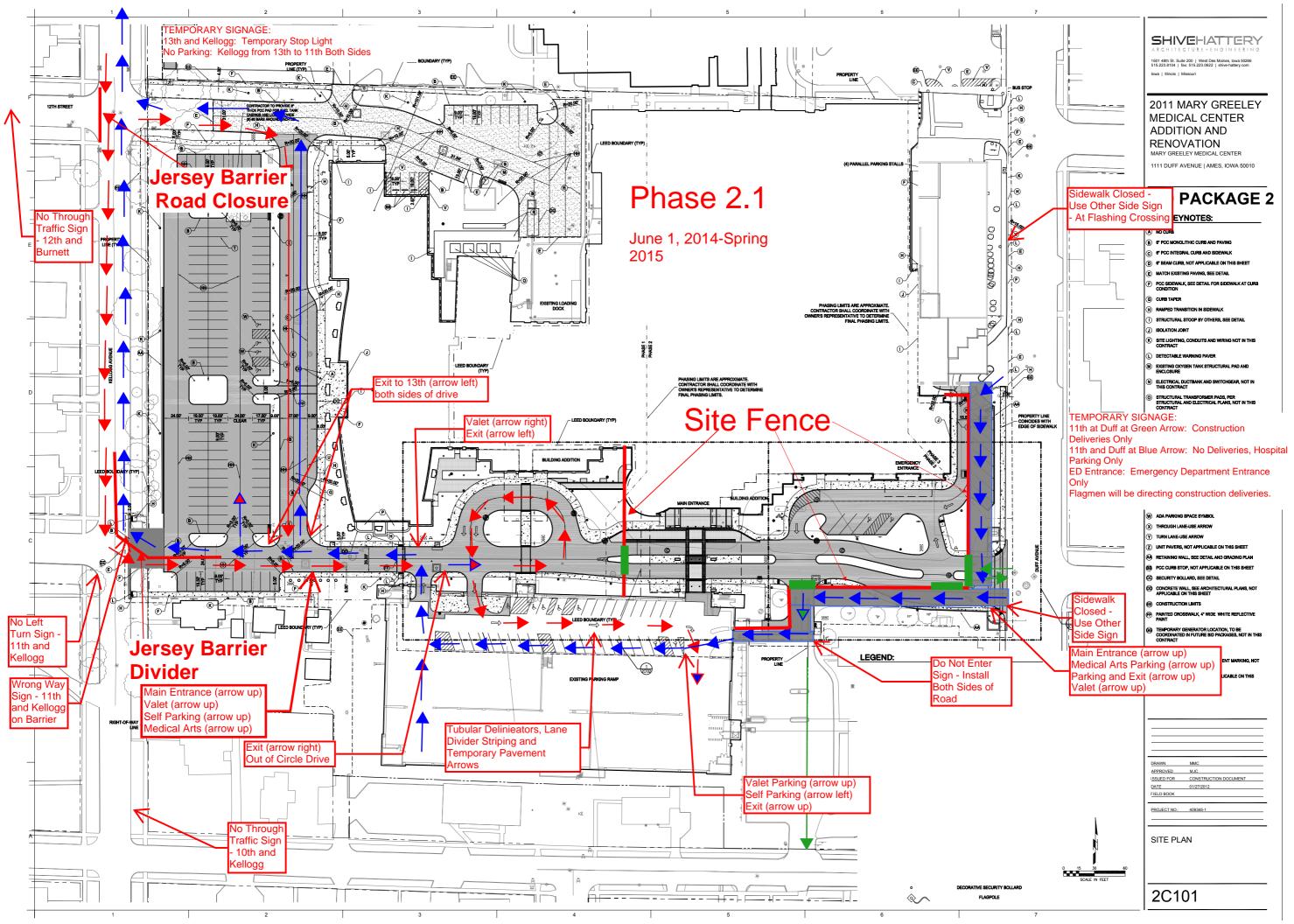
### **ALTERNATIVES:**

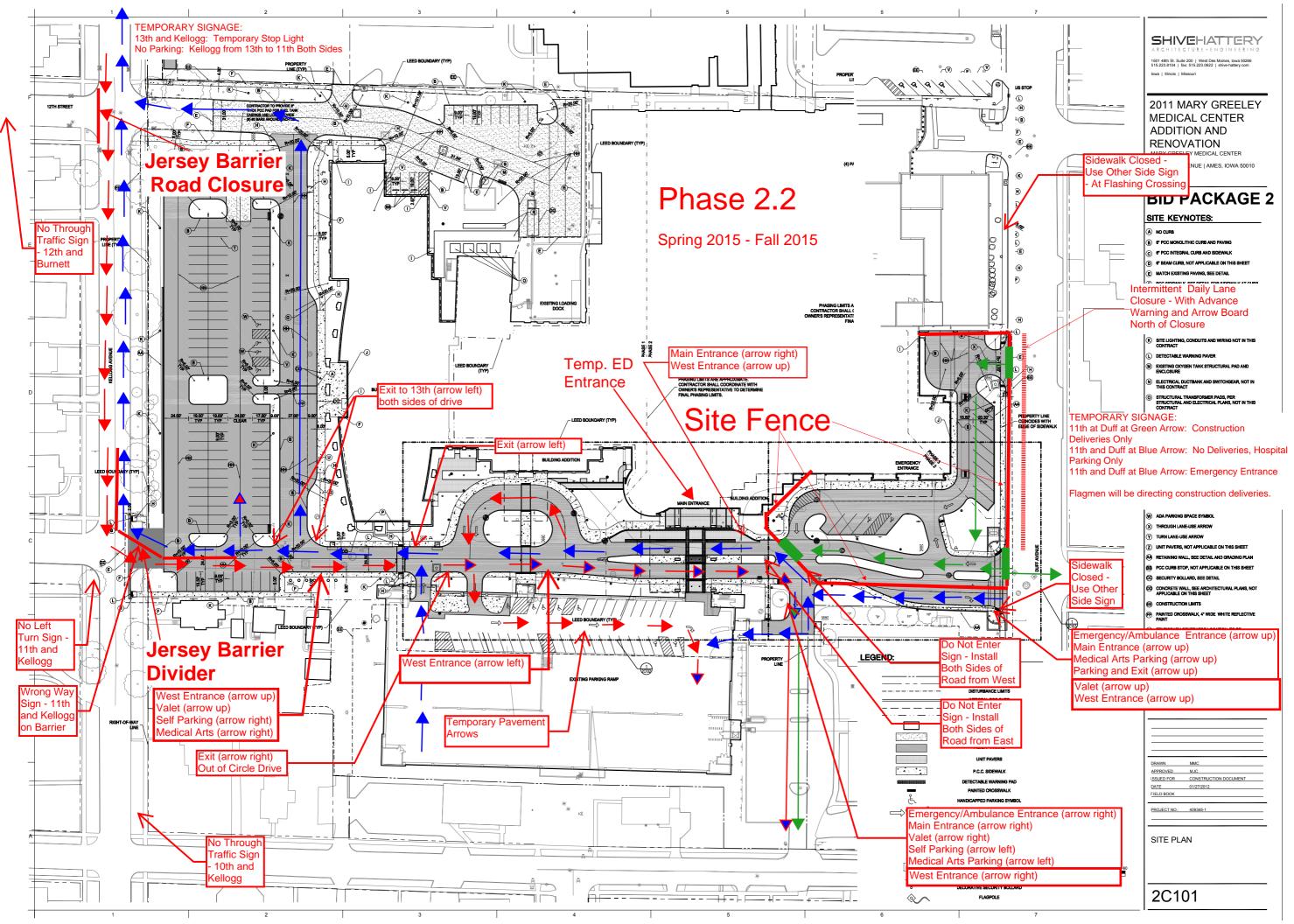
- 1. Approve a temporary traffic signal at 13<sup>th</sup> Street and Kellogg Avenue and the attached overall traffic control plan until the 11<sup>th</sup> Street and Duff Avenue intersection is again fully operational.
- 2. Reject this project.

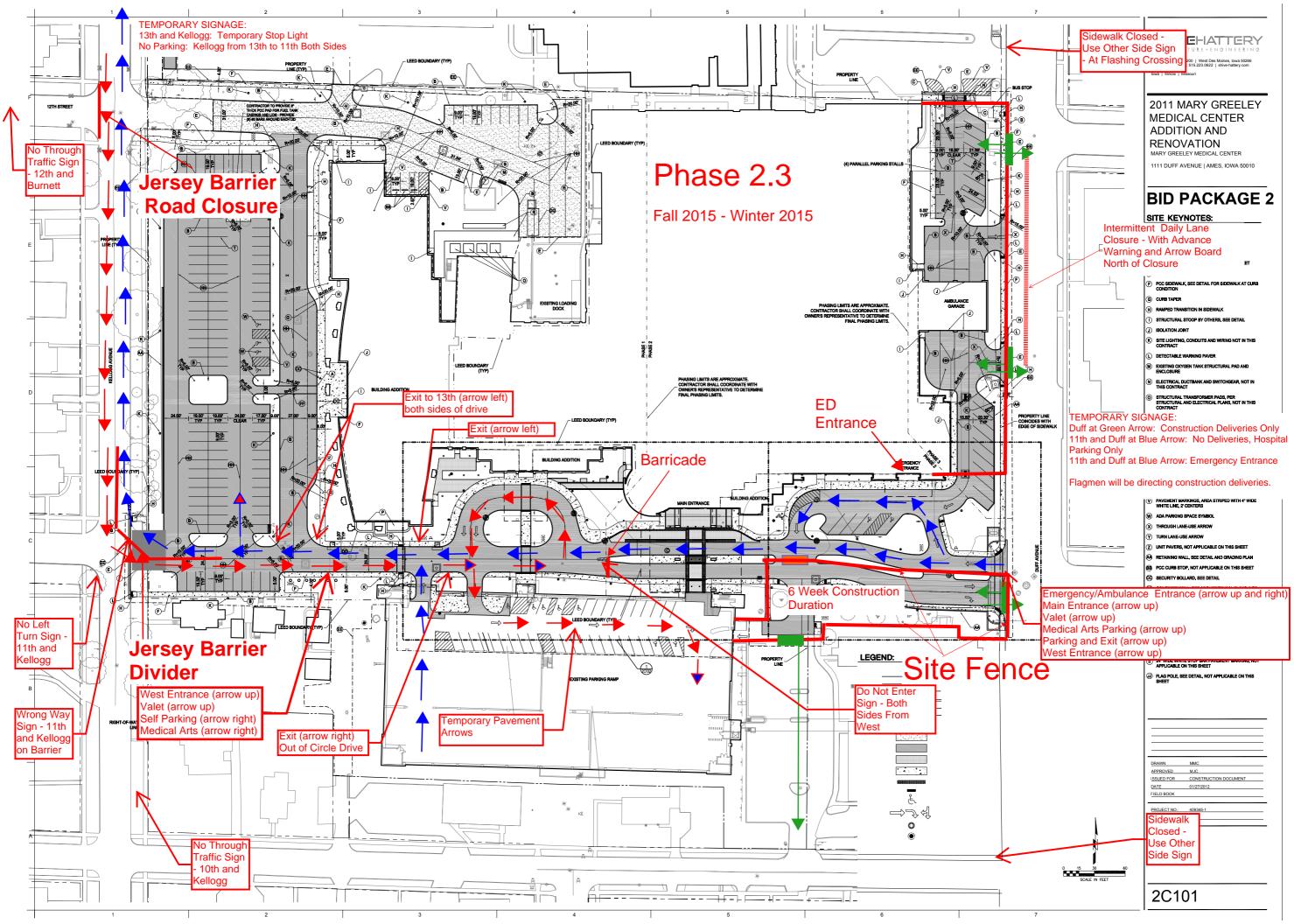
## MANAGER'S RECOMMENDED ACTION:

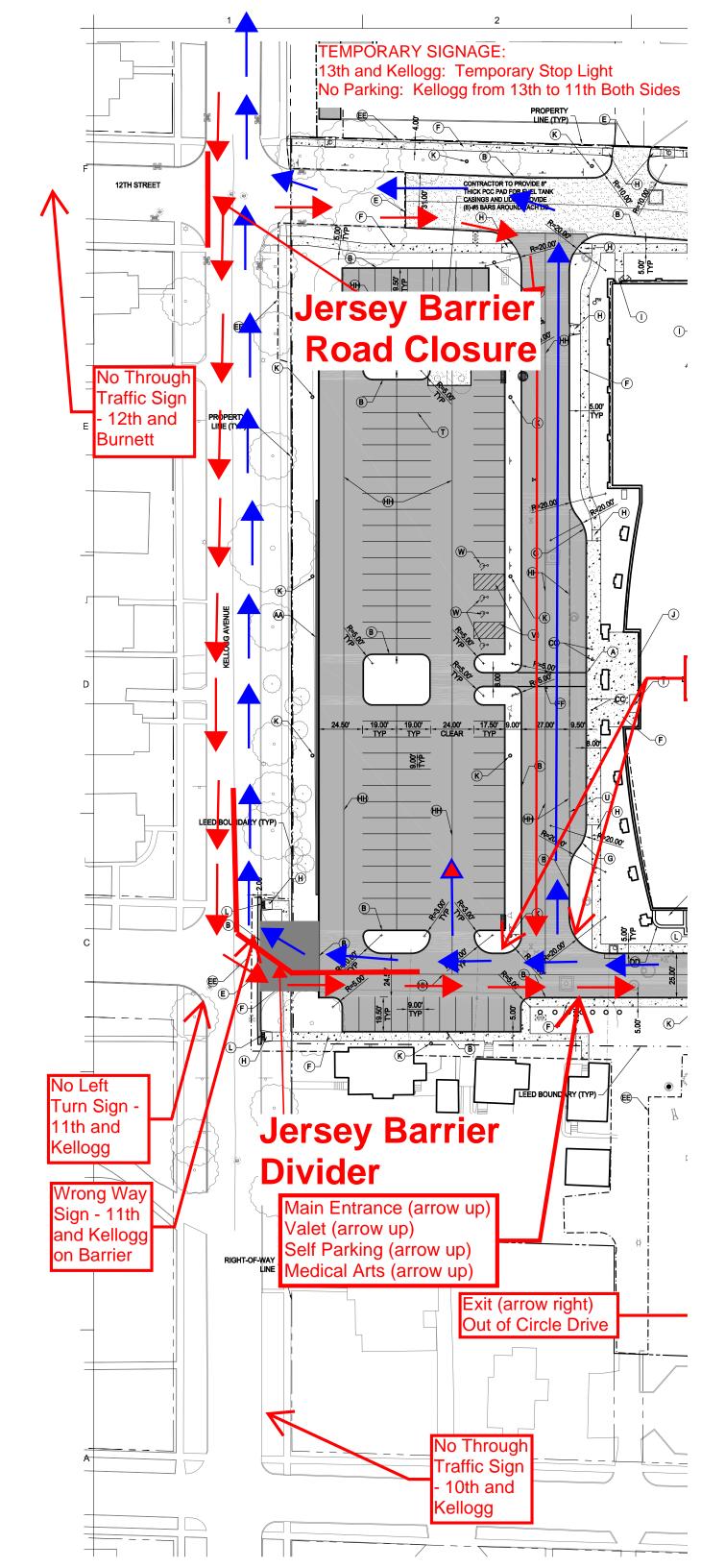
Approving this temporary traffic signal at 13<sup>th</sup> Street and Kellogg Avenue will help facilitate the traffic control plan for Phase 2 of the Hospital expansion. The overall plan has addressed concerns of the surrounding neighborhoods and has been vetted by our Police and Fire Departments for any emergency response needs that may occur.

Therefore, it is the recommendation of the City Manager that the City Council adopt Alternative No. 1 as described above.

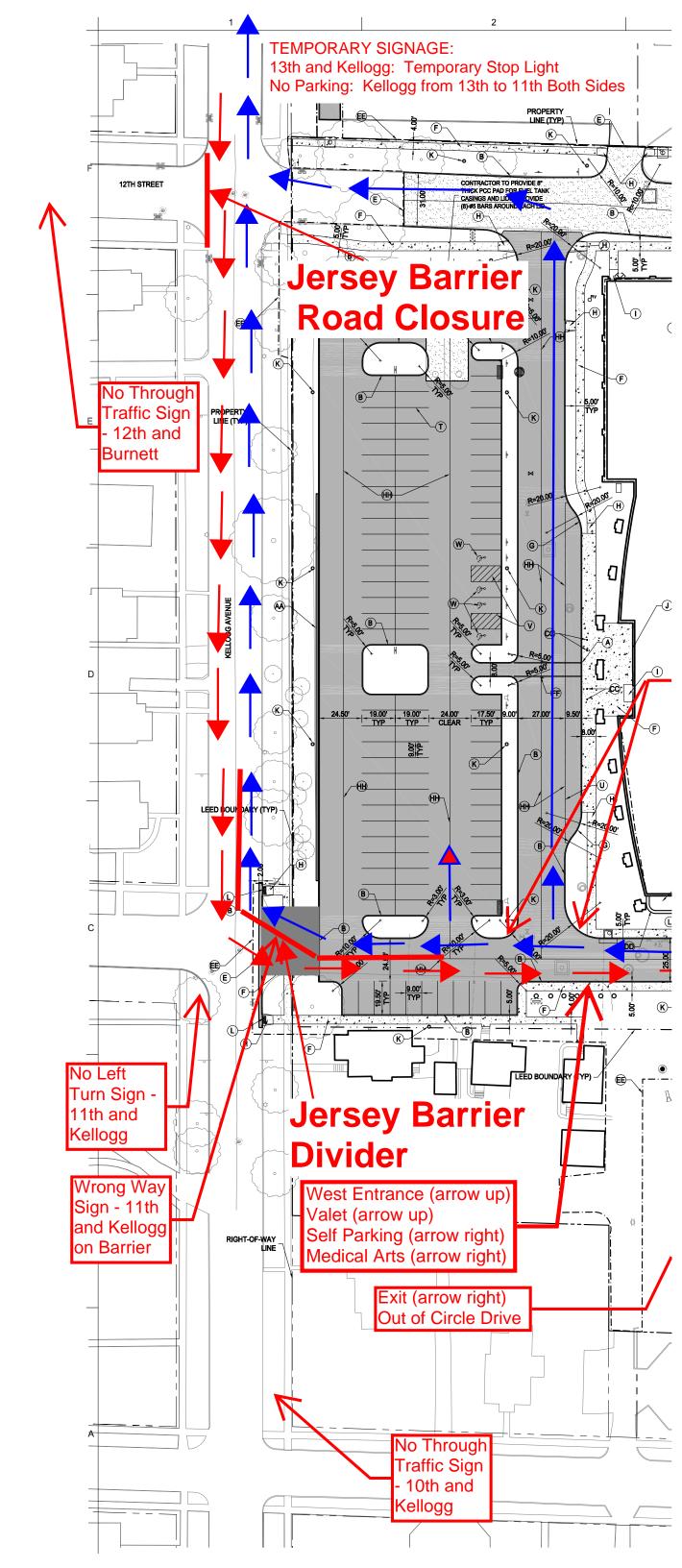








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