# CITY OF LAREDO HISTORIC DISTRICT/LANDMARK BOARD PUBLIC NOTICE OF REGULAR MEETING

City of Laredo City Hall City Council Chambers 1110 Houston Street Laredo, Texas September 8, 2022 12:00 p.m.

#### **MEETING AGENDA**

- 1. CALL TO ORDER
- 2. ROLL CALL
- PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- 4. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF:
  - A. Regular Meeting of August 11, 2022.

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#### 5. CITIZEN COMMENTS

Citizens are required to fill out a witness card and submit it to the HPO, or designee, no later than 11:45 a.m. and identify themselves at the microphone. Comments are limited to three (3) minutes per speaker. No more than three (3) persons will be allowed to speak on any side of an issue. Should there be more than three (3) people who wish to speak on a particular issue, they need to select not more than three (3) representatives to speak for them and the presiding officer may limit the public comments further in the interest of an orderly meeting. Speakers may not pass their minutes to any other speaker. Comments should be relevant to City business and delivered in a professional manner. No derogatory remarks will be permitted.

- 6. PUBLIC HEARING AND CONSIDERATION OF THE FOLLOWING:
  - A. Public hearing and consideration of a motion to approve the construction of new commercial structures (PNC Bank and ATMs) and the erection of multiple attached and freestanding signs on Lot 4, 5, 6, and 7, Block 44, Western Division, located at 805 and 801 Farragut Street and 700 San Bernardo Avenue in the Old Mercado Historic District.

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#### **District VIII**

#### 7. ADJOURNMENT

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Orlando D. Navarro

Director of Planning

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City Secretary

#### **CITY OF LAREDO**

#### HISTORIC DISTRICT/LANDMARK BOARD

#### **MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF AUGUST 11, 2022**

The Historic District/Landmark Board of the City of Laredo convened in a regular meeting on Thursday, August 11, 2022 at 12:00 noon, at the City Council Chambers at City Hall at 1110 Houston St., in Laredo, Texas 78040, to consider the following:

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER

Board Member (Bm.) Sepulveda called the meeting to order at 12:05 p.m.

#### 2. ROLL CALL

Orlando Navarro, Planning Director, called roll and verified quorum existed.

Members present: Rebecca Sepulveda

Christina Davila Villarreal

Wayne Nance Stanley Green Marc Gonzalez

**Members absent:** Council District I – Vacant

Robert David Gonzalez Maria Elena Morales Priscilla Iglesias

**Staff present:** Orlando Navarro

Vanessa Guerra Laura "Roxy" Garza Roland Lozano

Others present: Charles Pantangco

Dana Volpentesta

Alfredo G. Pelegrin, III

#### 3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

#### 4. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF:

#### A. Regular Meeting of July 14, 2022

Bm. Davila Villarreal made a motion to <u>approve</u> the minutes of July 14, 2022.

Minutes of the HDLB meeting of August 11, 2022

Second: Bm. Nance

For: 5
Against: 0
Abstain: 0

Motion carried unanimously.

#### 5. CITIZEN COMMENTS

None

#### 6. PUBLIC HEARING AND CONSIDERATION OF THE FOLLOWING:

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#### **District VIII**

Staff **does not support** the proposed scope of work.

Laura "Roxy" Garza, Planning Staff, provided a brief overview on the item.

Orlando Navarro, Planning Director, informed the Historic Board there was a preliminary design review.

Madame Chair Sepulveda, requested a motion to open the public hearing for HD-010-2022.

Bm. M. Gonzalez made a motion to **open** the public hearing for HD-010-2022.

Second: Bm. Nance

For: 5
Against: 0
Abstain: 0

Motion carried unanimously

Charles Pantangco, PNC Bank Representative, and Dana Volpentesta, GPD Architect, informed the Board that they are present to speak in favor of the item and gave a brief presentation.

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Bm. Davila Villarreal, stated a visual perspective should be provided.

Charles Pantangco, PNC Bank Representative, informed the Board they are in the process of conducting a site line study and will provide the study to the Historic Board as requested.

Bm. Davila Villarreal, expressed how the Historic Board has protected the Carriage House for a long time due to the historical significance of the structure.

Charles Pantangco, PNC Bank Representative, informed the Board they are interested in restoring the Carriage House.

Bm. M. Gonzalez, requested PNC to provide a 3D rendering of the proposed project on the site. He also questioned if a structural study will be conducted to see if the Carriage House can withstand the construction and movement in the area.

Dana Volpentesta, GPD Architect, informed the Board a structural review is an additional step, and it will be a prioritized.

Bm. Green made a motion to **close** the public hearing and **table** HD-010-2022 time certain.

Second: Bm. Nance

For: 5
Against: 0
Abstain: 0

Motion carried unanimously

#### 7. STAFF REPORT AND COMMUNICATIONS:

### A. Presentation by City of Laredo Building Department Staff on the Neighborhood Empowerment Zone (NEZ) Program.

Orlando Navarro, Planning Director, informed the Commission that Roland Lozano, from the Building Department would be giving a presentation on the NEZ Program which is one of the incentives available to assist Historic owners.

Roland Lozano, Right-of-way Manager, Utility Coordinator and NEZ Liaison, gave a brief presentation on the NEZ Program.

#### 8. ADJOURNMENT

Madame Chair Sepulveda, requested a motion to adjourn the meeting at 1:20 p.m.

Bm. Davila Villarreal made a motion to **adjourned** at 1:20 p.m.

Minutes of the HDLB meeting of August 11, 2022

| Second:                    | Bm. Nance |                   |
|----------------------------|-----------|-------------------|
| For:                       | 5         |                   |
| Against:                   | 0         |                   |
| Abstain:                   | 0         |                   |
| Motion carried unanimously |           |                   |
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| Orlando D. Navarro,        |           | Rebecca Sepulveda |
| City Planning Director     |           | HDLB Chair        |

#### Historic District/Landmark Board- Regular

Meeting Date: 09/08/2022

Initiated by: PNC Bank, National Association, Staff Source: Orlando D. Navarro, Planning

Owner/Applicant; Charles Director

Pantangco, Representative

Prior Action: The item was tabled at the Historic District / Landmark Board meeting of August 11,

2022.

#### SUBJECT:

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#### HD-010-2022 District VIII

#### BACKGROUND:

The item was tabled at the Historic District / Landmark Board meeting of August 11, 2022.

Changes to the proposed scope of work were made in response to the Board's discussion at the Historic District / Landmark Board meeting of August 11, 2022.

#### Proposed Scope of Work:

- Construction of a new PNC Bank at the corner of Santa Ursula Avenue and Hidalgo Street
- Construction of three (3) new PNC Automated Teller Machines (ATMs)
- On-premise freestanding sign:
  - 1 Freestanding Horizontal Pylon Sign 24.67 sqft
    - Overall Height: 14' 8"
    - Overall Width: 9' 3"
- Attached signs that include the following:
  - 2 24" Illuminated White Channel Letterset (46.35 sqft)
    - Sign Surface Height: 2' 8 1/8"
    - Sign Surface Width: 17' 3 3/4"
    - Letter Height: 2' 0"

The following signs were eliminated from the previous scope of work:

- On-premise freestanding signs:
  - 3 ATM Freestanding Signs 5 sqft
    - Overall Height: 18' 9 3/4"
    - Overall Width: 11 3/4"
- Attached sign that includes the following:
  - 1 8' 60-40 Halo Illuminated Powerlink
    - Sign Surface Height: 8' 0"
    - Sign Surface Width: 8' 0"

**Site:** The property is an H-AE (Historic Arts and Entertainment) zoning district within the Old Mercado Historic District.

#### Letters sent to surrounding property owners: 15

• For: 0 • Against: 0

#### STAFF COMMENTS:

Staff <u>supports</u> the proposed scope of work for the proposed construction of a new PNC Bank at the corner of Santa Ursula Avenue and Hidalgo Street and the erection of multiple attached and freestanding signs in the following ways:

- 1. The proposed new construction of the PNC Bank uses materials that are compatible with other historic buildings within the district, thus it preserves the onsite historic structure present as it is in conformance to the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties with Guidelines for Preserving, Rehabilitating, Restoring & Reconstructing Historic Buildings.
- 2. The proposed materials will contribute to the visual continuity of the district as it is in conformance to the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties with Guidelines for Preserving, Rehabilitating, Restoring & Reconstructing Historic Buildings.
- 3. The attached signage complies with the City of Laredo Historic Urban Design Guidelines, business signs on buildings shall be limited...two signs for corner lots.

Staff <u>does not support</u> the proposed scope of work for the construction of three (3) new PNC Automated Teller Machines (ATMs) as it is not in conformance to the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties with Guidelines for Preserving, Rehabilitating, Restoring & Reconstructing Historic Buildings in the following ways:

- 1. The proposed new construction of the PNC Automated Teller Machines (ATMs) will provide a negative impact to the property as the ATMs cause an obstruction to the existing on historic structure present, thus diminishing the character of the historic building.
- 2. The proposed scope of work interferes with the historic integrity of the property and its environment.

#### Staff Comments Regarding the Carriage House:

- 1. A structural integrity report on the Carriage House should be submitted to the City of Laredo Planning Department before initiating any repairs or renovations
- 2. Any cleaning should be conducted with the most gentle care.
- 3. A small area of the Carriage House should be tested for power washing to determine the historic masonry will not be damaged.
- 4. Power washing of historic masonry should be used in moderate amounts of pressure. Pressure may not exceed 200-400 psi.
- 5. Carriage House should be thoroughly dried out before any painting of the structure.
- 6. Highly vapor-premeable paint should be used to prevent spalling and interior mold.

#### **Staff General Comments:**

- 1. Any improvements which are approved by the Historic District Landmark Board shall also comply with all Building Code requirements and other regulations as provided in the Laredo Development Code.
- 2. Approval by the Historic District Landmark Board does not guarantee approval of a building permit or any other permit which may be required.
- 3. It is recommended that all existed improvements utilize the following resources as a guide:

- 1. The Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation and Guidelines for Rehabilitating Historic Buildings
- 2. City of Laredo Historic Urban Design Guidelines
- 3. City of Laredo Historic Preservation Plan

#### STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Staff <u>supports</u> the proposed construction of a new PNC Bank at the corner of Santa Ursula Avenue and Hidalgo Street and the erection of multiple attached and freestanding signs.

However, staff <u>does not support</u> the construction of three (3) new PNC Automated Teller Machines (ATMs).

|                    | Attachments |  |
|--------------------|-------------|--|
| Maps               |             |  |
| Narrative          |             |  |
| Set of Plans       |             |  |
| Proposed Materials |             |  |
| Proposed Signage   |             |  |
| Proposed ATM's     |             |  |
| View Points Study  |             |  |
| Photos             |             |  |

AERIAL MAP HD-010-2022

### 805/801 FARRAGUT STREET AND 700 SAN BERNARDO AVENUE COUNCIL DISTRICT: 8

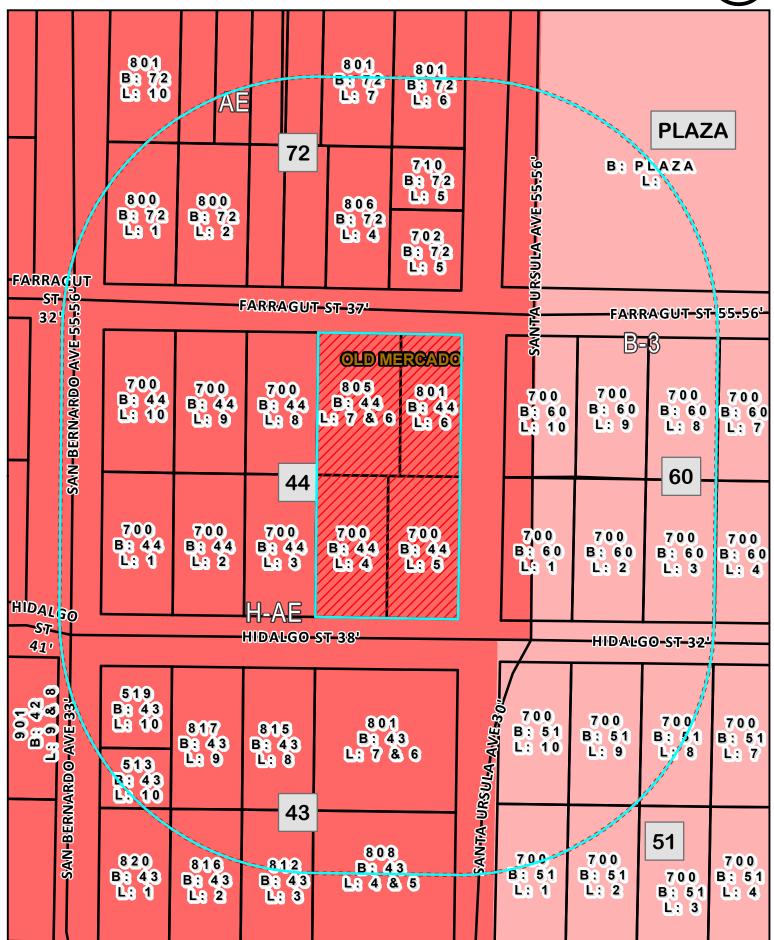
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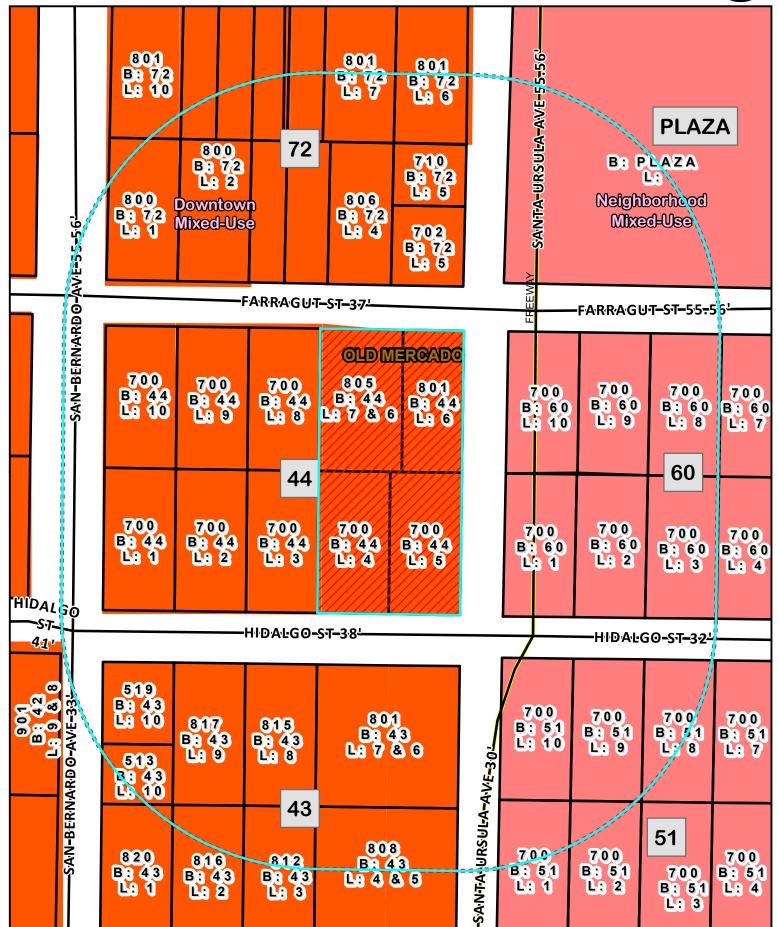
**ZONING MAP** HD-010-2022

### 805/801 FARRAGUT STREET AND 700 SAN BERNARDO AVENUE **COUNCIL DISTRICT: 8**





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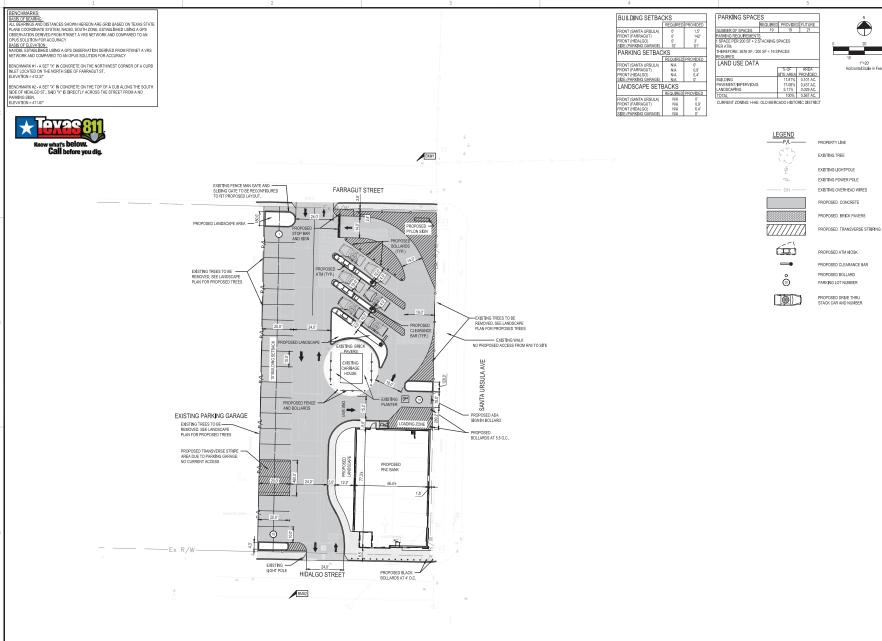


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### Project Scope of Work

### **PNC Bank Branch**

• Construction of a new prototypical PNC Bank branch at the corners of Santa Ursula Ave. and Hidalgo Street.





**PNCBANK** 

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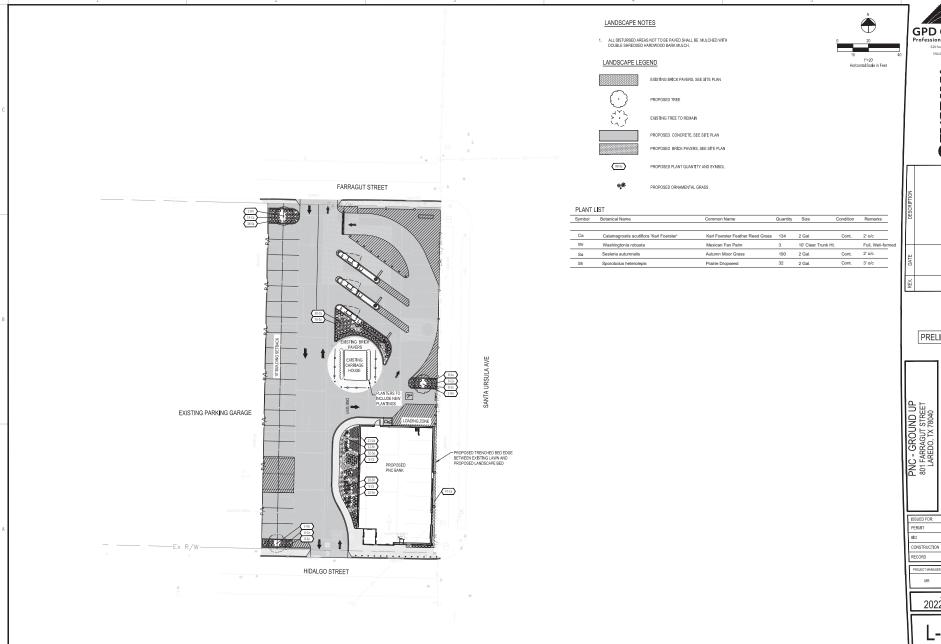
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PNC - GROUND UP 801 FARRAGUT STREET LAREDO, TX 78040

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| ECORD           | XXXXXXXX  |
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| PROJECT MANAGER | DESIGNER  |

PRELIMINARY SITE PLAN

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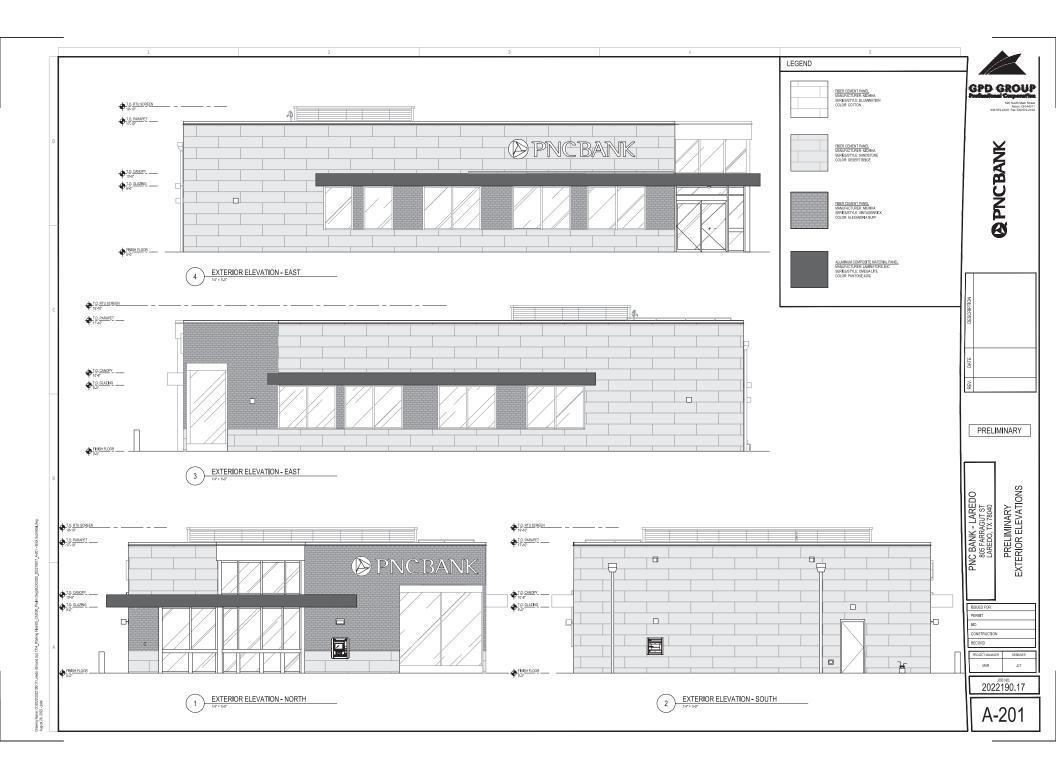
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### PNC Exterior Material Locations

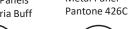








Nichiha Panels Alexandria Buff









Nichiha Panels Sandstone/ Desert Beige



### PNC Pylon Sign Details



Overall sign height: 14'-8"

Overall sign width: 9'-3"

Letter Height: 2'-8"

Internally illuminated

### PNC Exterior Building Signage



Overall sign height: 2'-8 1/8"

Overall sign width: 17'-3 3/4"

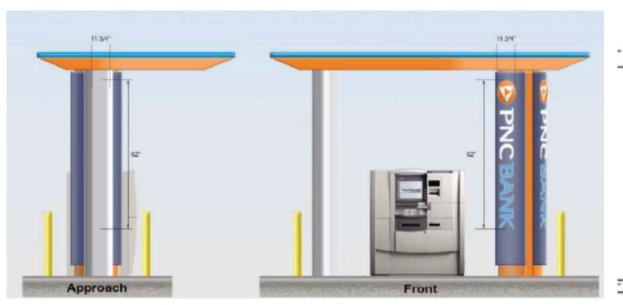
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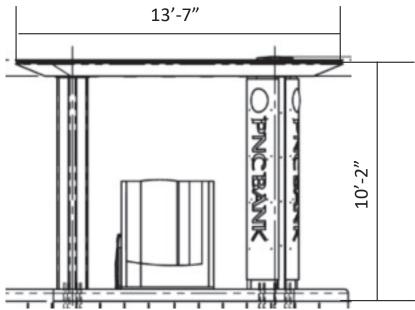
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Channel Letterset

Logo Font Rotis Serif

### PNC Drive Lane ATM Details





### PNC Drive Lane ATM Photos





Photos for height reference

## Line Site Study View Points



## Line Site Study – Santa Ursula & Farragut



### Line Site Study – Santa Ursula & Hidalgo St.



## Line Site Study – Hidalgo Street



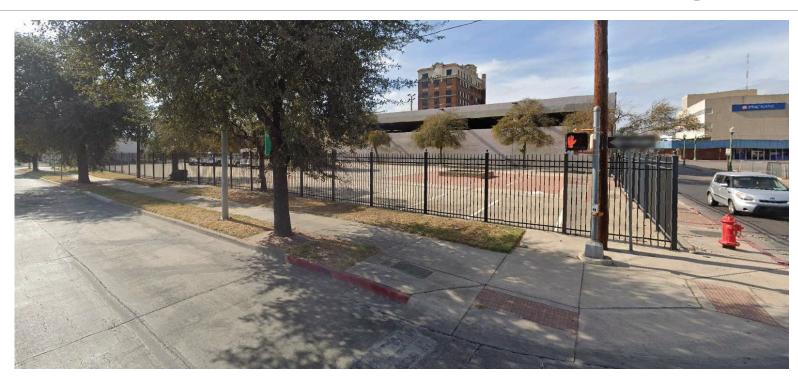
## Line Site Study – Farragut Street



### Site Photo — Hidalgo Street View



# Site Photo — Santa Ursula Avenue & Farragut Street



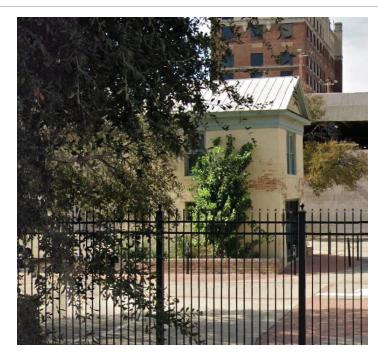
## Site Photo — Farragut Street View



### Carriage House Elevations



Front Elevation (Farragut Street)



Side Elevation (Santa Ursula Avenue)



Rear Elevation (Hidalgo Street)