PRINTING THE CONSTRUCTION DOCUMENTS

The following are instructions on how to successfully print <u>any</u> PDF image from AutoCAD (THE drafting and design software used to produce these construction documents). There has long been a problem with PDF's made from AutoCAD, in which surprisingly, the PDF looks fine when viewed on the screen, but when you print it, blacked out areas appear around text that has used the "background wipeout" function to allow it to show up over the background in the drawing. There doesn't appear to be any work around to this problem during drafting of the construction documents in AutoCad, but it can be handled if one little button is clicked during the printing process.

Open the PDF and go to the "File" pulldown menu in the upper lefthand corner of the screen and pick "Print". When the print dialog box appears, pick the proper printer and page size, then look at the lower lefthand corner of the dialog box and pick the "Advanced" button. When that dialog box appears, click the box for "Print as image" (which appears in different places on this box, depending on your printer) then click OK. Then click "OK" and send to your printer. Note: you should only have to do this once as it defaults to these settings once you open another file, but check to be sure.