



NYSBIP Webinar Series

# Site Planning for ESB Charging

NYSERDA Clean Transportation

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# Topics for Discussion

- **Fleet Electrification Plan (FEP)**
- **Site Plan Inputs**
- **Utility Considerations**
- **Equipment Locations**
  - Transformers, Switchgear, Panelboards
  - Chargers and Dispensers
- **Potential Facility Upgrades**
  - Bus Lifting Equipment
  - Structural/Roof Considerations
  - Fire Protection
- **Phasing Plans**
- **Design and Construction**
  - Schedule
  - Cost

\*NY School Bus Incentive Program & NY Truck



# Development of a Fleet Electrification Plan (FEP)

The typical Fleet Electrification Plan consists of the following:

**TASK 1:** Data Collection

**TASK 2:** Route Analysis

**TASK 3:** Conceptual Charging Strategy

**TASK 4:** Electric Utility Analysis

**TASK 5:** Concept Development and Phasing Plan

**TASK 6:** Phasing Plan Estimates





# FEP Goals



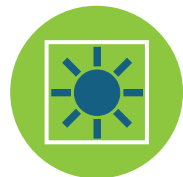
Provide path towards Zero Emission fleet by 2035 & ensure seamless transition



Evaluate & recommend infrastructure upgrades



Provide information to the District in order to make informed decisions regarding design/implementation

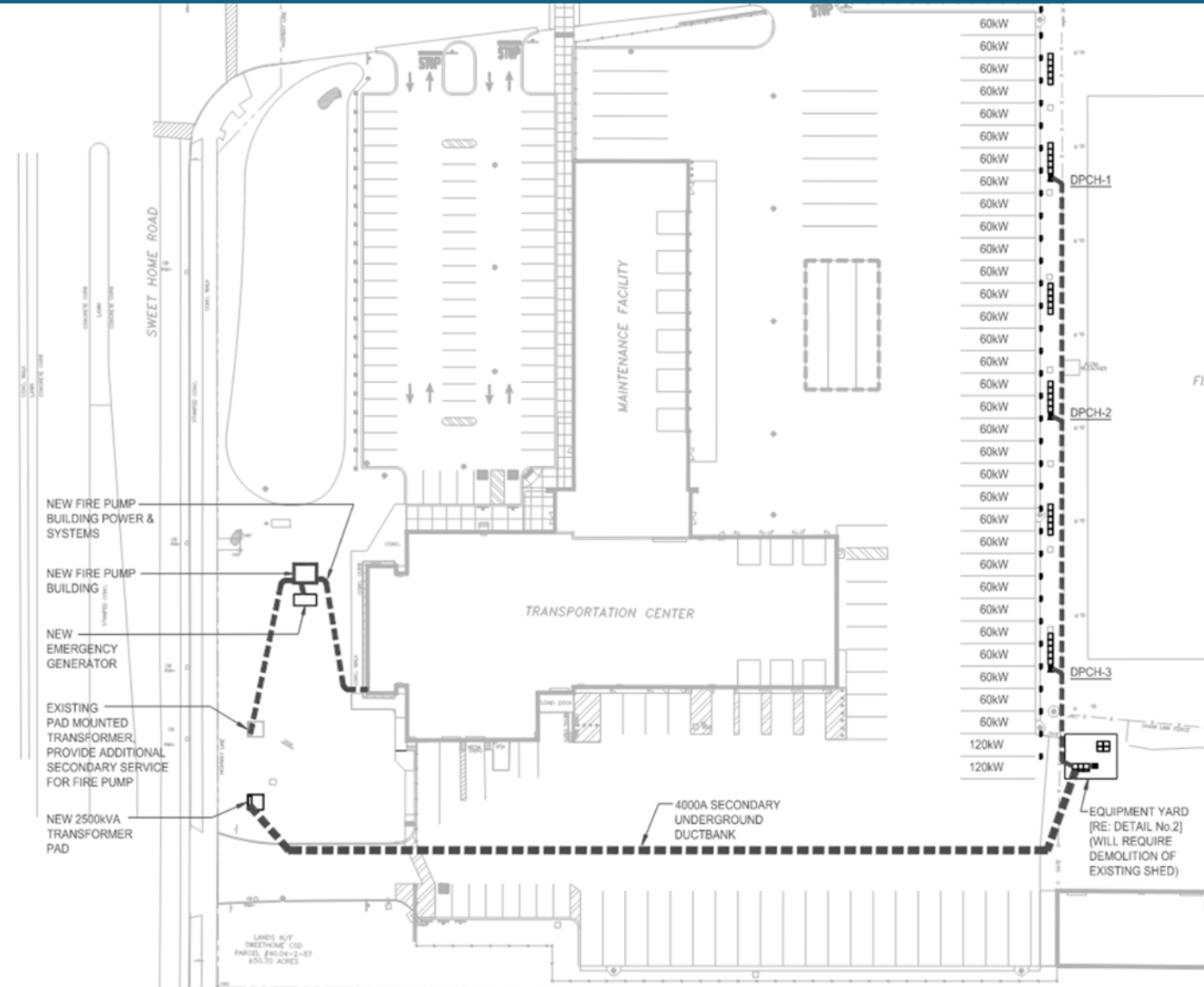


Reduction of energy loads and assist in conversion to carbon free fuels



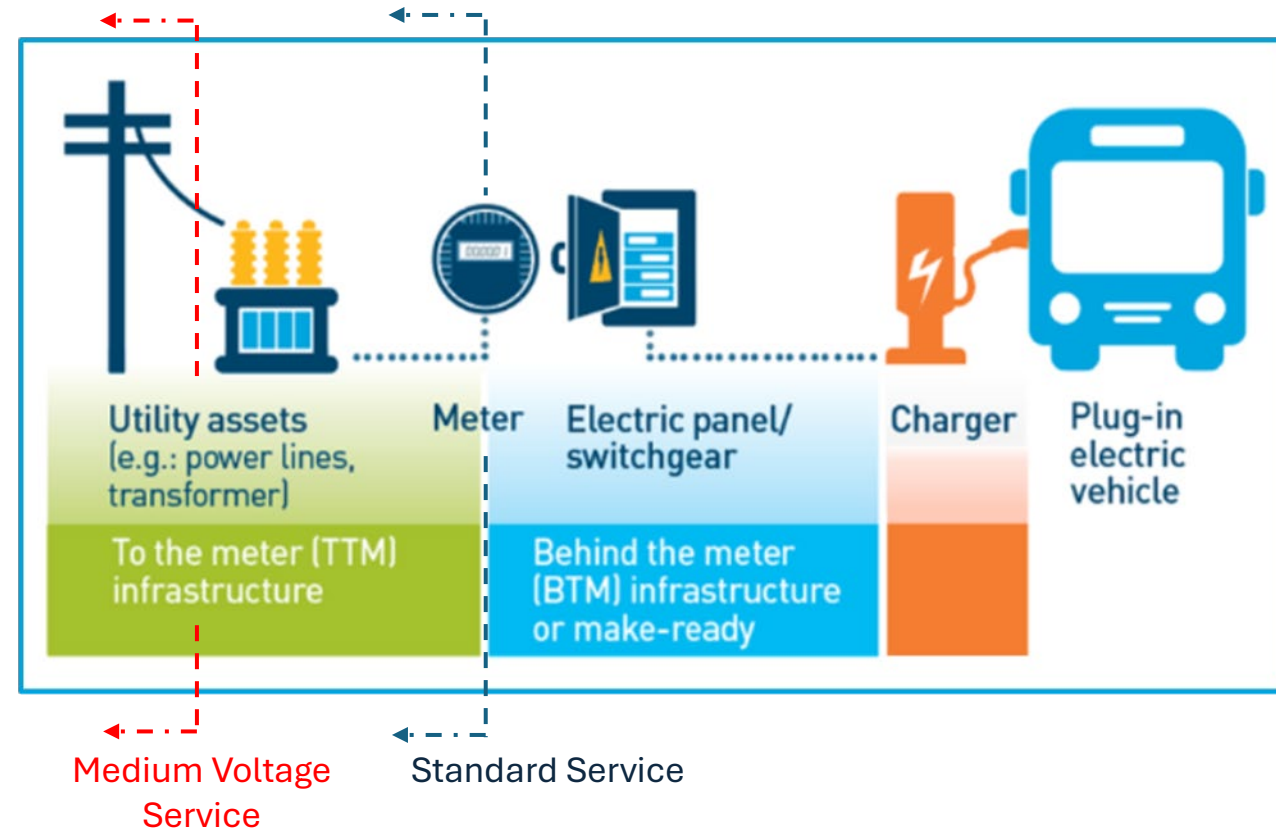
# Site Plan Inputs

- **Bus fleet information** – fleet size, replacement schedule, bus types/size
- **Bus schedules and route data** – detailed bus routes, downtime
- **Bus parking/storage arrangements** – indoor/outdoor, location
- **Fueling** – current operational requirements for fueling
- **Utility data** – name of local utility, existing service size, and location, utility contact
- **Existing electrical distribution information**
- **Fire protection information**
- **Existing site plan**



# Utility Considerations

- Charging battery electric buses requires additional power from the utility and will require utility upgrades.
- Level of charging may impact service levels
  - Large fleets may require medium voltage service from the utility
- Can the local utility supply the required power for this project? Large demand may require significant utility upgrades, impacting cost and schedule  
**YES!**
- What are the costs the district will incur to upgrade the utility infrastructure to serve facility?
  - Utility upgrades are chargeable to the customer requiring the upgrades. (up to 90% of these costs may be covered by Make Ready Programs)
  - Some charges may be able to be put in the utilities rate base if the upgrades benefit multiple utility customers

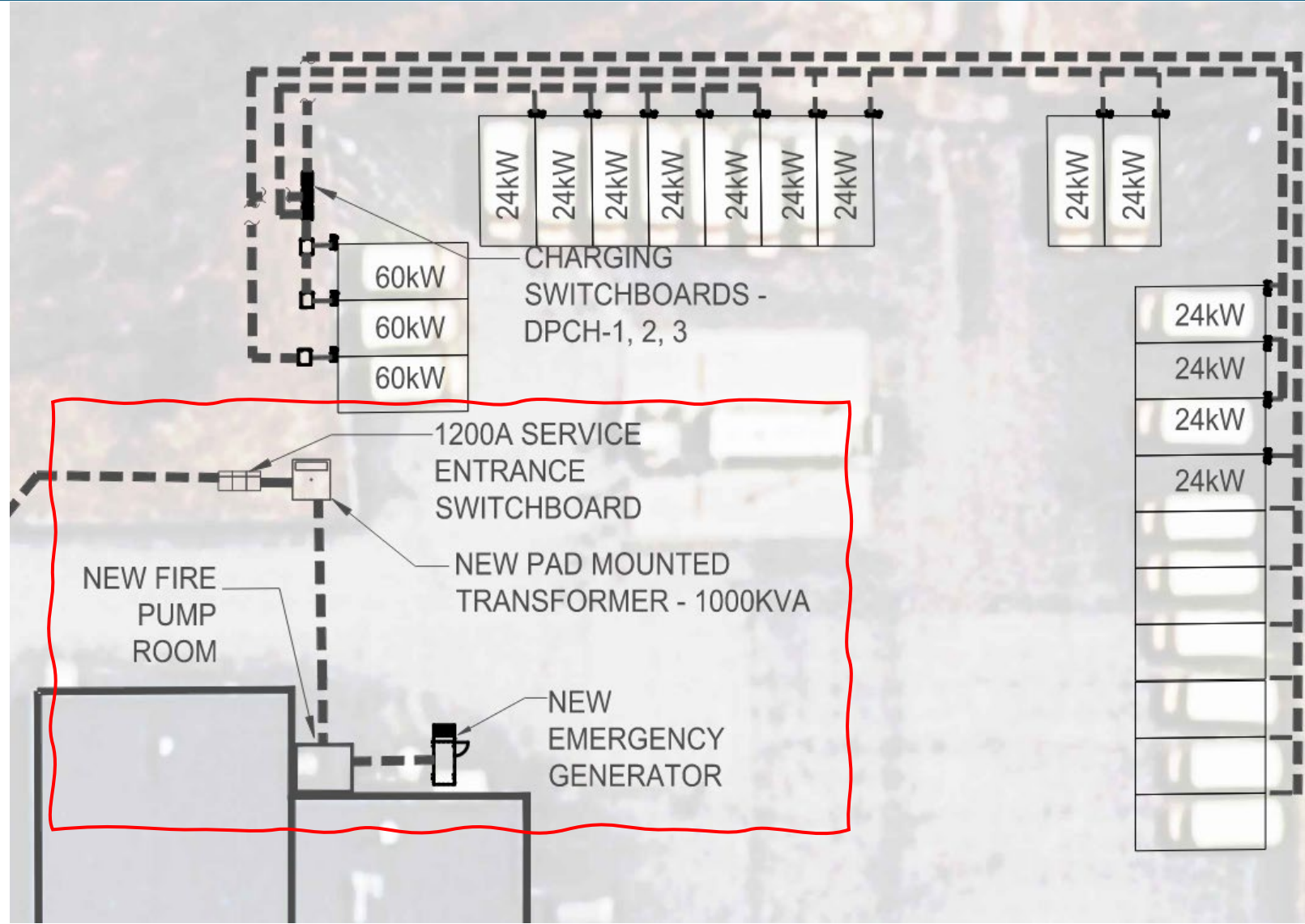


**ENGAGE THE LOCAL UTILITY EARLY**

# Equipment Locations

## Major supporting components

- **Pad mounted transformer –**
  - Utility owned/provided
- **Service entrance switchboard**
- **Charging switchboards**
- **Fire pump**
- **Emergency generator**





# Major Distribution Equipment

**Pad mounted transformer**  
Usually utility owned



75" W x 73" D x 73" H  
9,800 lbs



**Service entrance switchboard**



10' W x 30" D x 90" H  
3,600 lbs  
[3 sections]



**Charging switchboard**



28" W x 7.5" D x 41.25" H  
400 amp 30 space  
112 lbs



# Fire Protection Equipment



0.70 GPM / square foot of water



# Equipment Locations





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# Typical Chargers



**ABB Terra DC Wallbox**  
24 kW Level 3 Charger  
30.3" H x 23" W X 11.8" D



**Camber Charger**  
Level 3 Charger  
60/120/180 kW Output  
79.2" H x 39.6" W X 31.2" D

# Potential Facility Upgrades

**Ventilation** – A minimum amount required to meet code. Indoor charging – increased ventilation to remove excess heat.

**Fire Protection** – Enhanced fire protection to suppress flames and protect structure for lithium-ion battery fires.

**Lifting Equipment** – Battery electric vehicles are significantly heavier than their fossil fuel counterparts.

**Structural** – Enhancements to building structures to handle dispensers, pantographs, cables and conduits.

**O&M Standard Operating Procedures** – Modifications to existing SOPs to handle battery electric vehicles, including fire prevention and safety measures.





# Phasing Plans

Goal – To develop a phasing plan that achieves the following major goals:

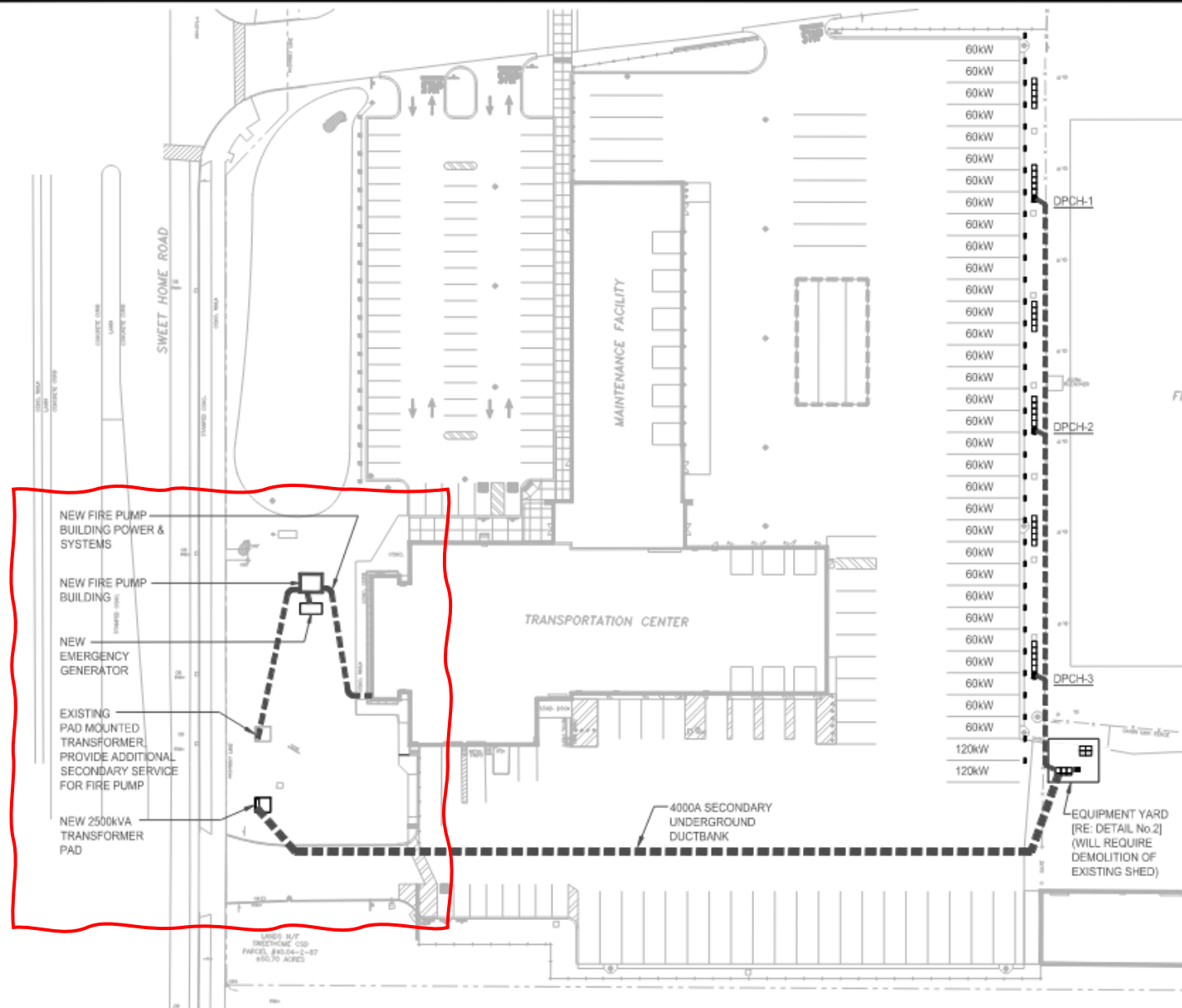
**Mirrors bus procurement plan** – Develop a plan that grows with the fleet – you do not need to do everything at once.

**Meets funding objectives** – Provides an estimate that can be used to develop a funding plan as well as local and state approvals.

**Builds on previous steps** – Does not require re-work or replacement of equipment purchased and installed in previous phases.

Having a plan and engaging stakeholders (utility, SED, School Boards) **early** will minimize costly issues moving forward and will future proof the transition to battery electric buses. This will also minimize site and operational disruption.

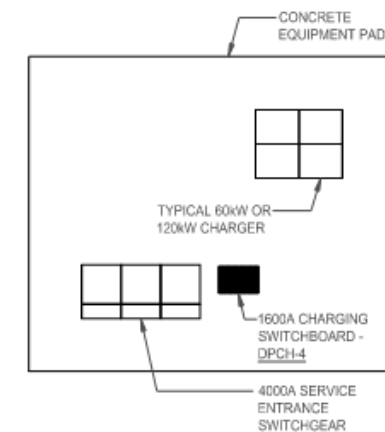
Design and construction takes time – developing a plan early in the process is critical to meeting goals.



**1 BUS PARKING CHARGING LAYOUT**  
SCALE: 1"=30'-0"

## CHARGER QUANTITY

PHASE 1	60kW PLUG-IN	32
	120kW PLUG-IN	2
	TOTAL AFTER PHASE 1	34



**2 SERVICE YARD LAYOUT**  
SCALE: 1"=10'-0"

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NEW FIRE PUMP  
BUILDING POWER &  
SYSTEMS

NEW FIRE PUMP  
BUILDING

NEW  
EMERGENCY  
GENERATOR

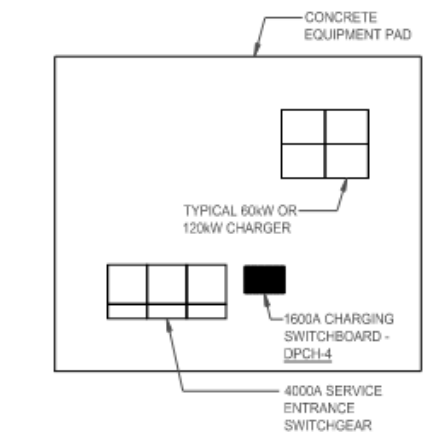
EXISTING  
PAD MOUNTED  
TRANSFORMER,  
PROVIDE ADDITIONAL  
SECONDARY SERVICE  
FOR FIRE PUMP

NEW 2500kVA  
TRANSFORMER  
PAD

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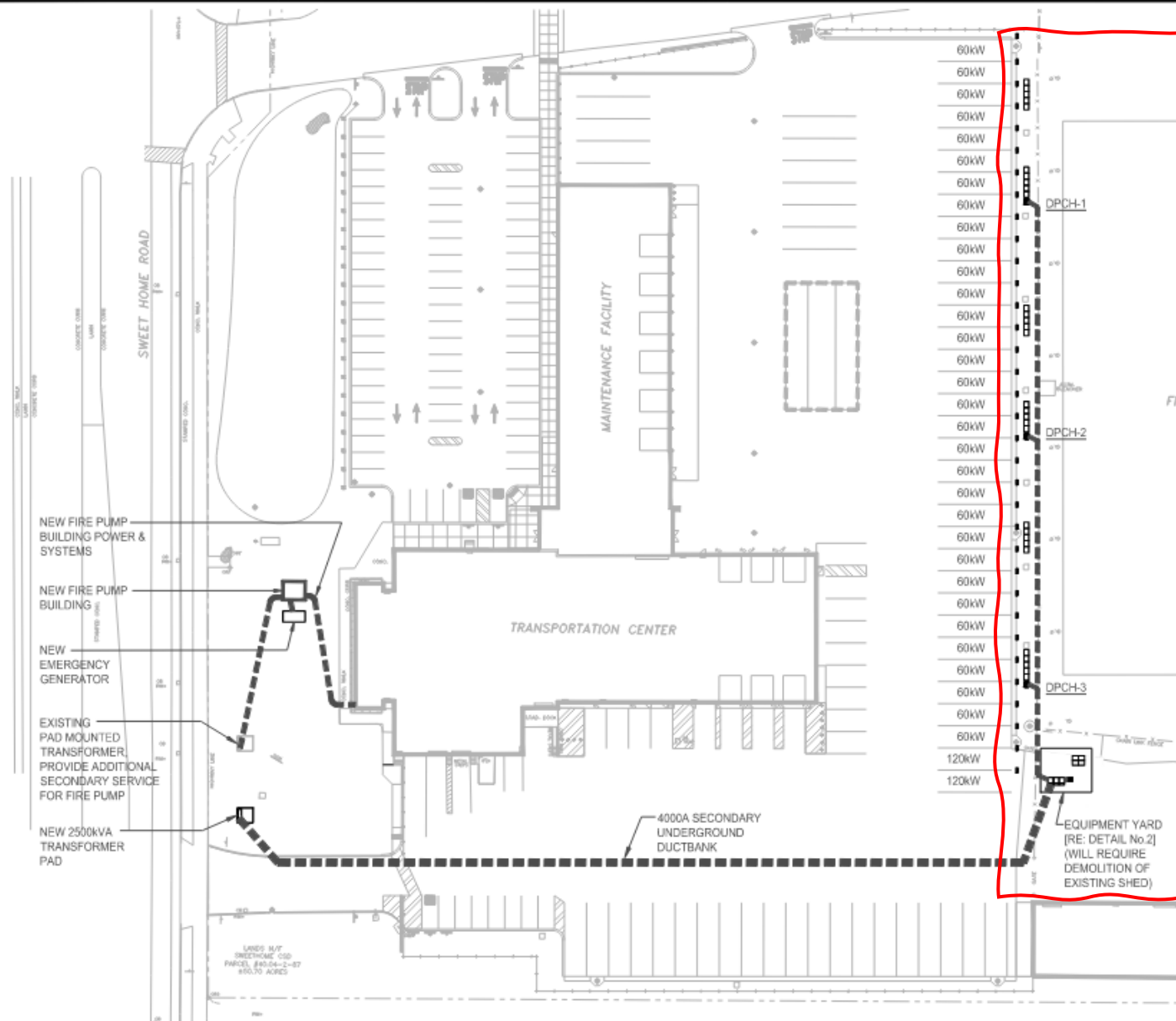


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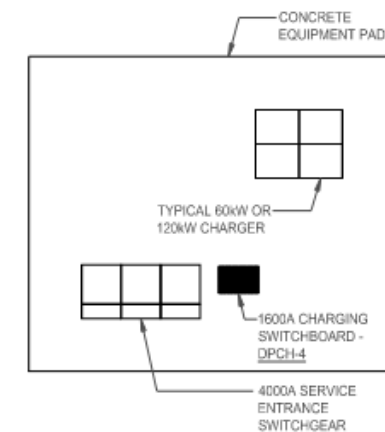
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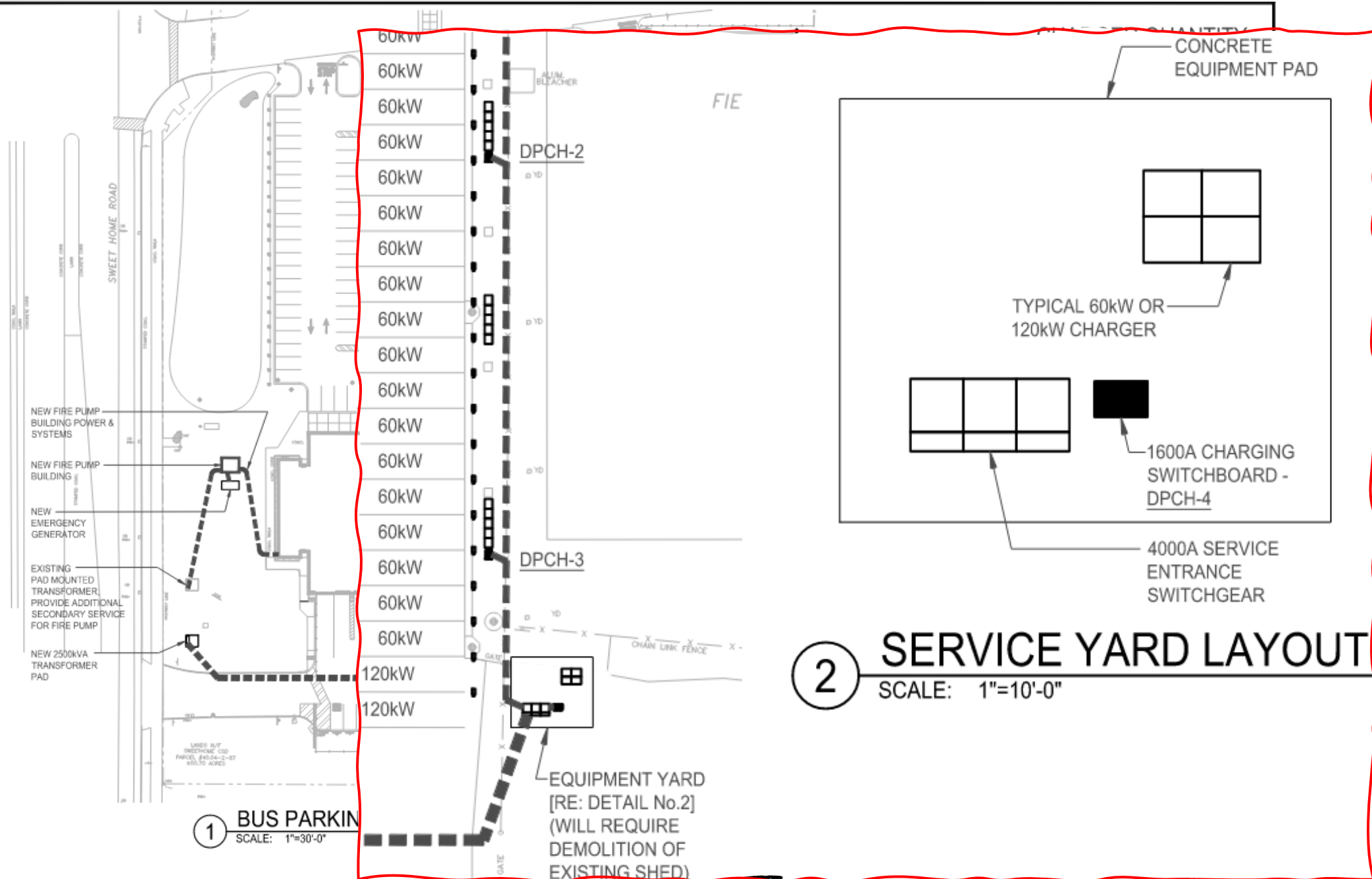
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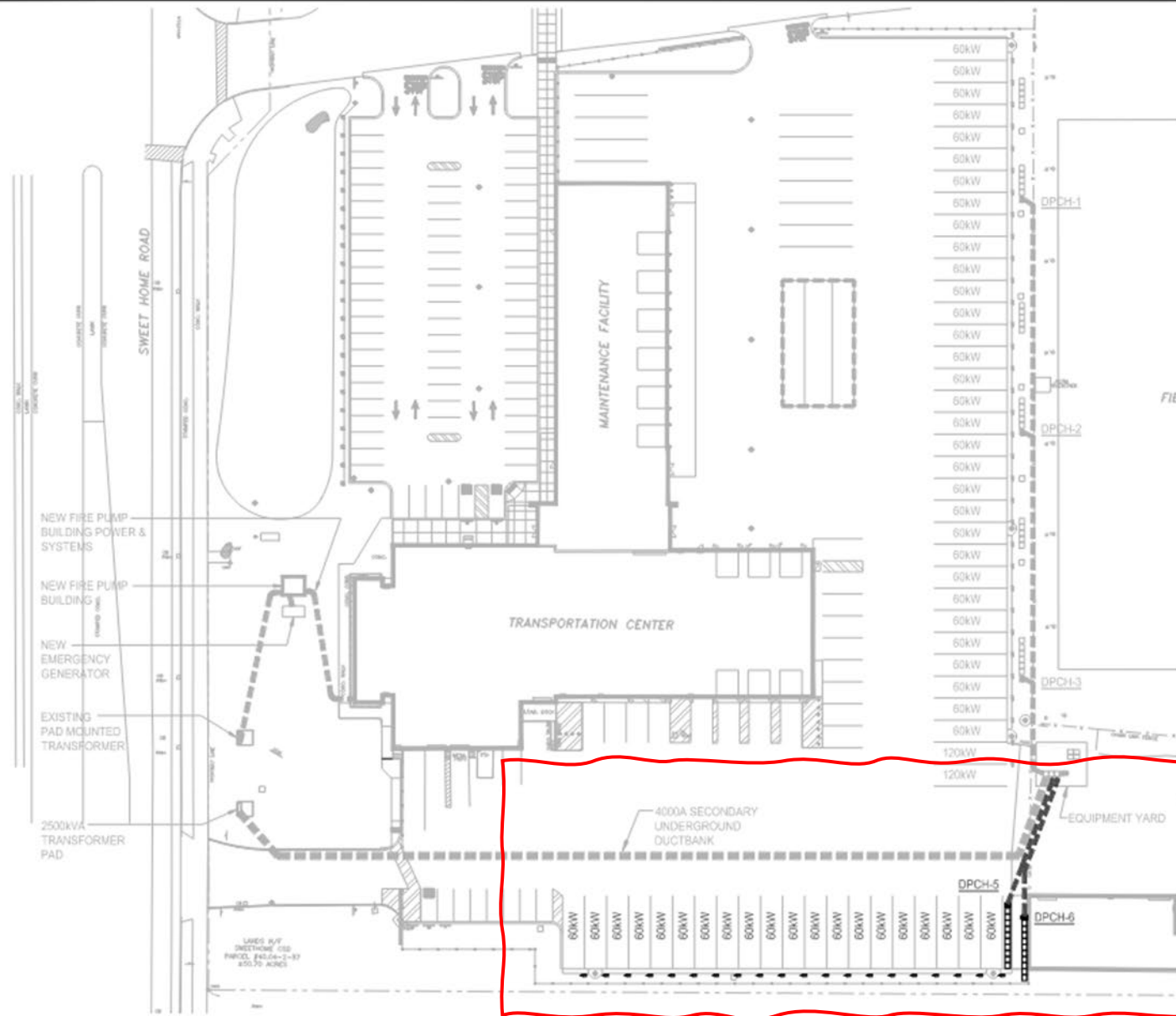


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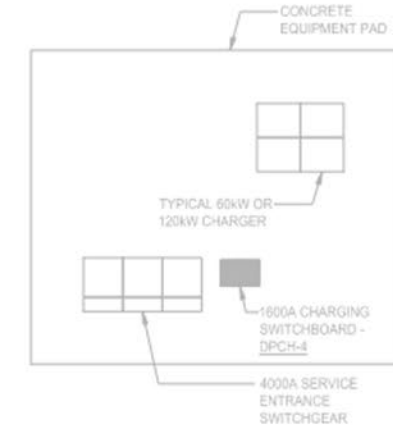
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PHASE 2	60kW PLUG-IN	20
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TOTAL AFTER PHASE 2		54

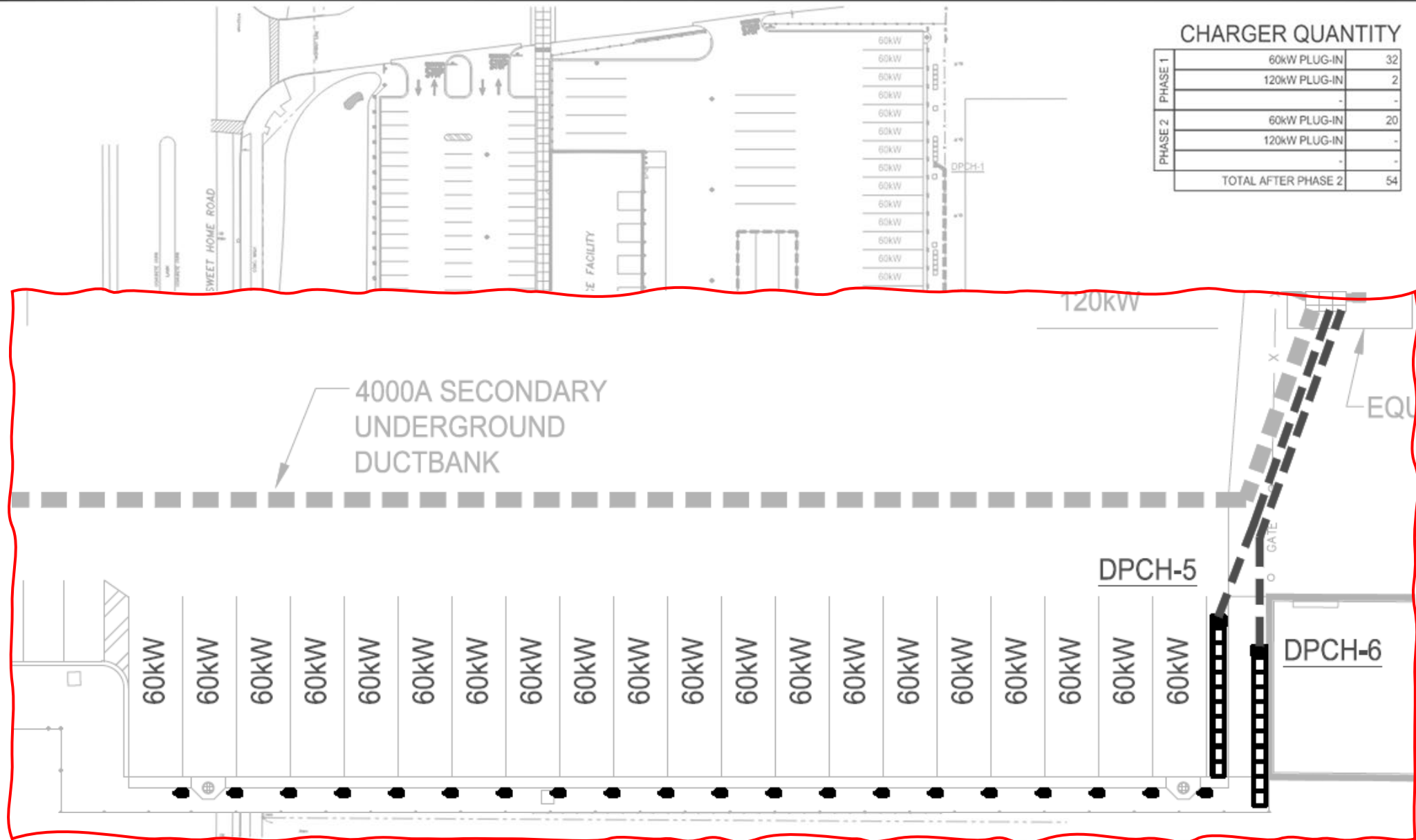


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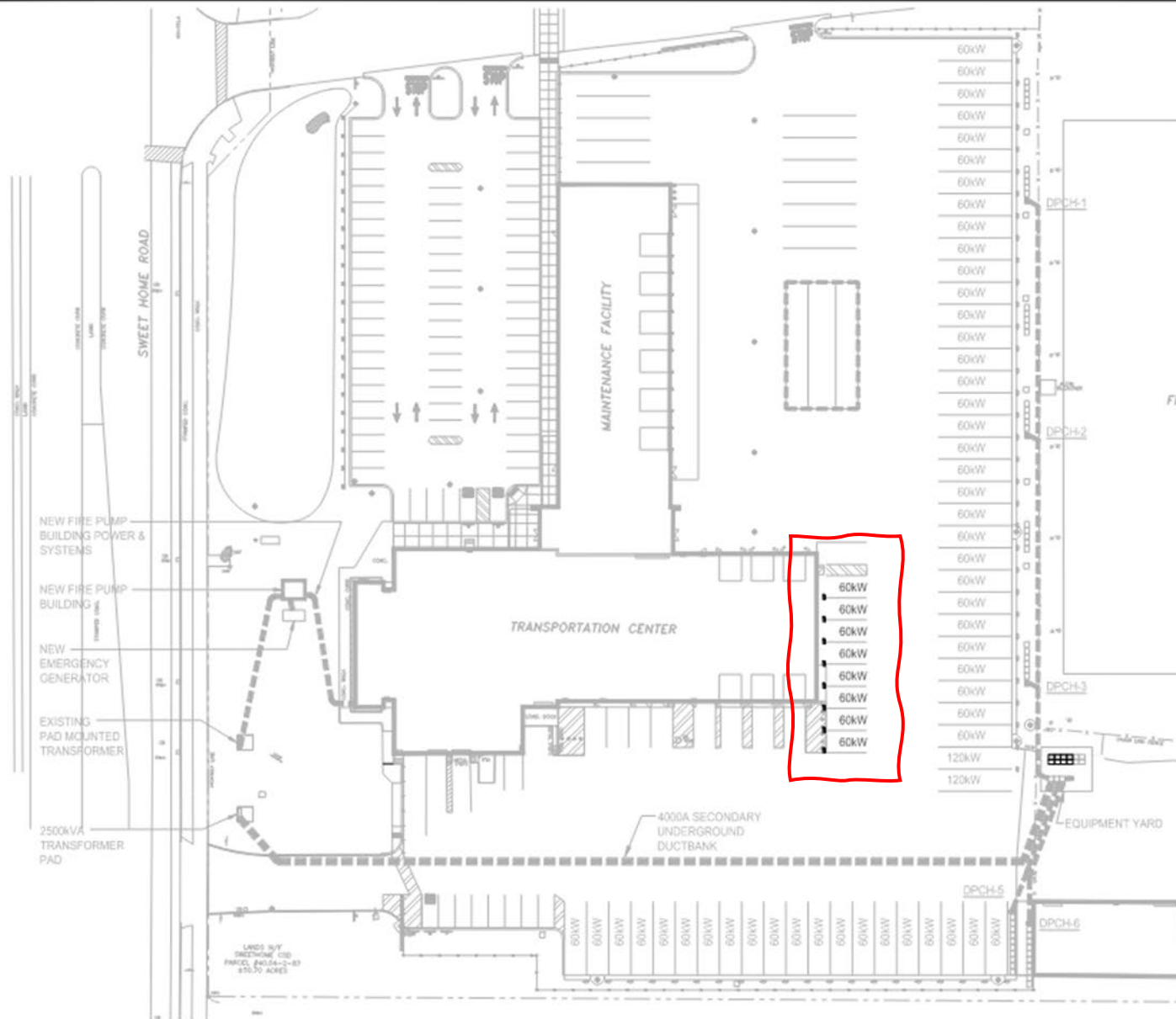
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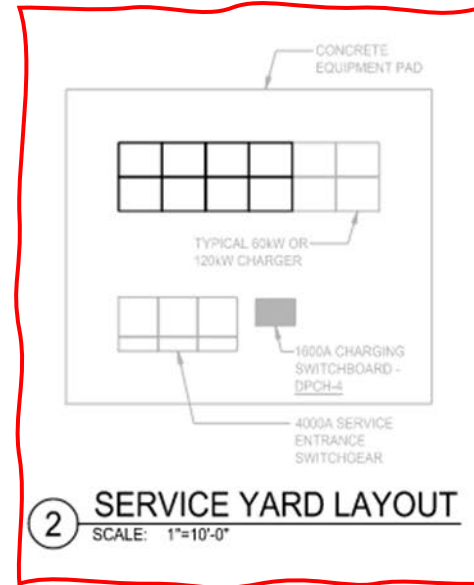


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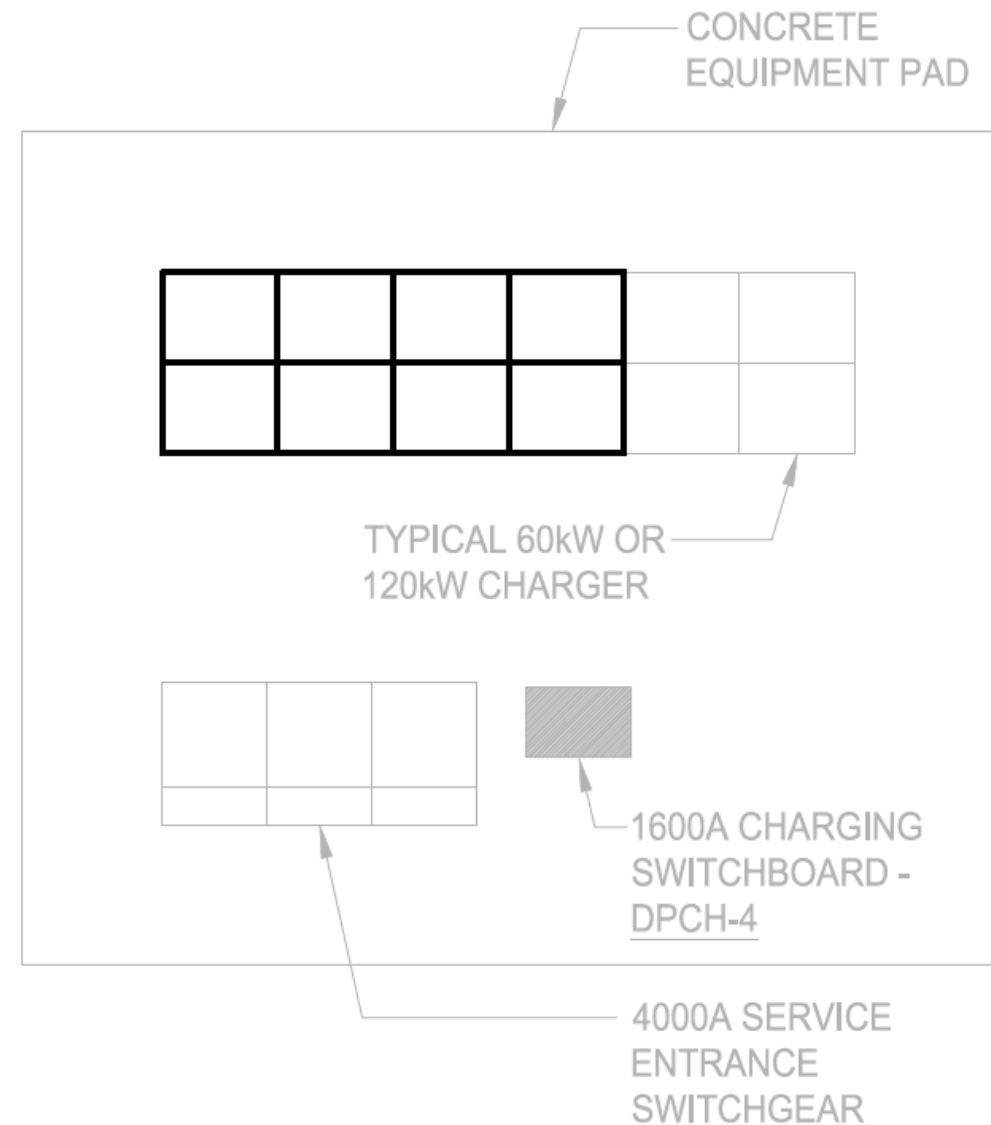
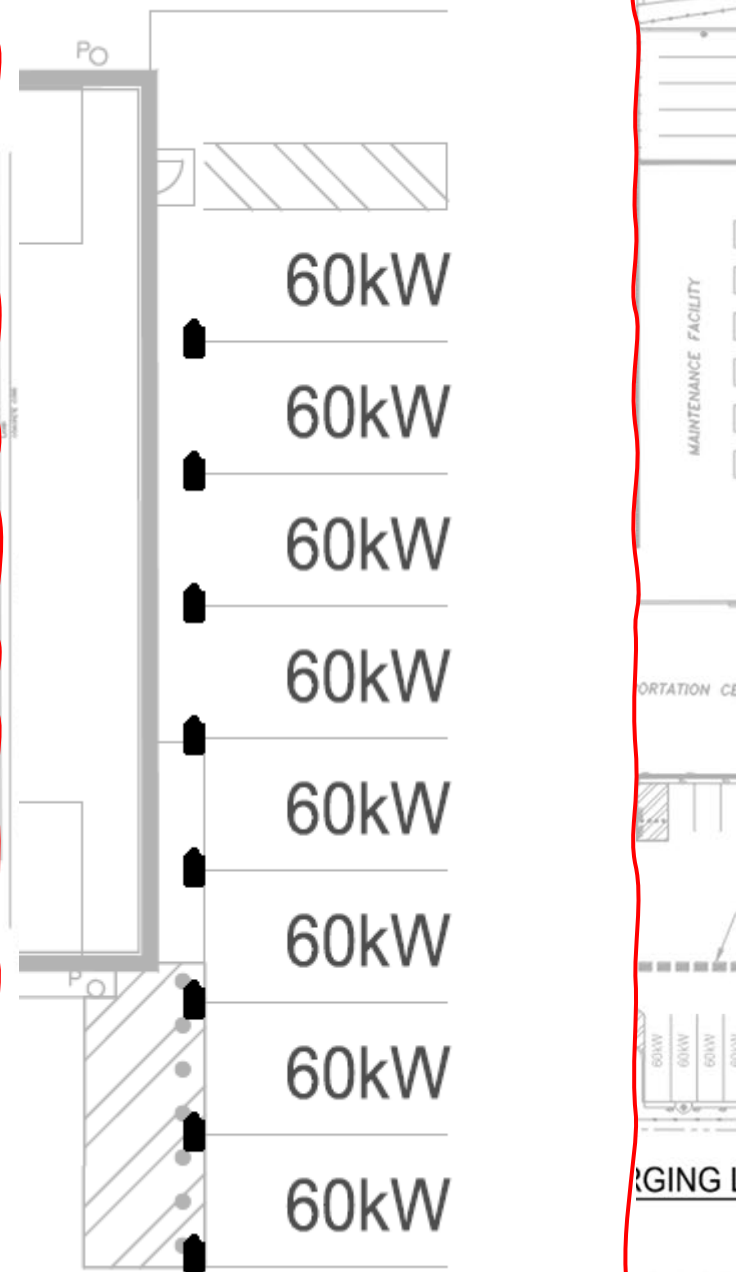


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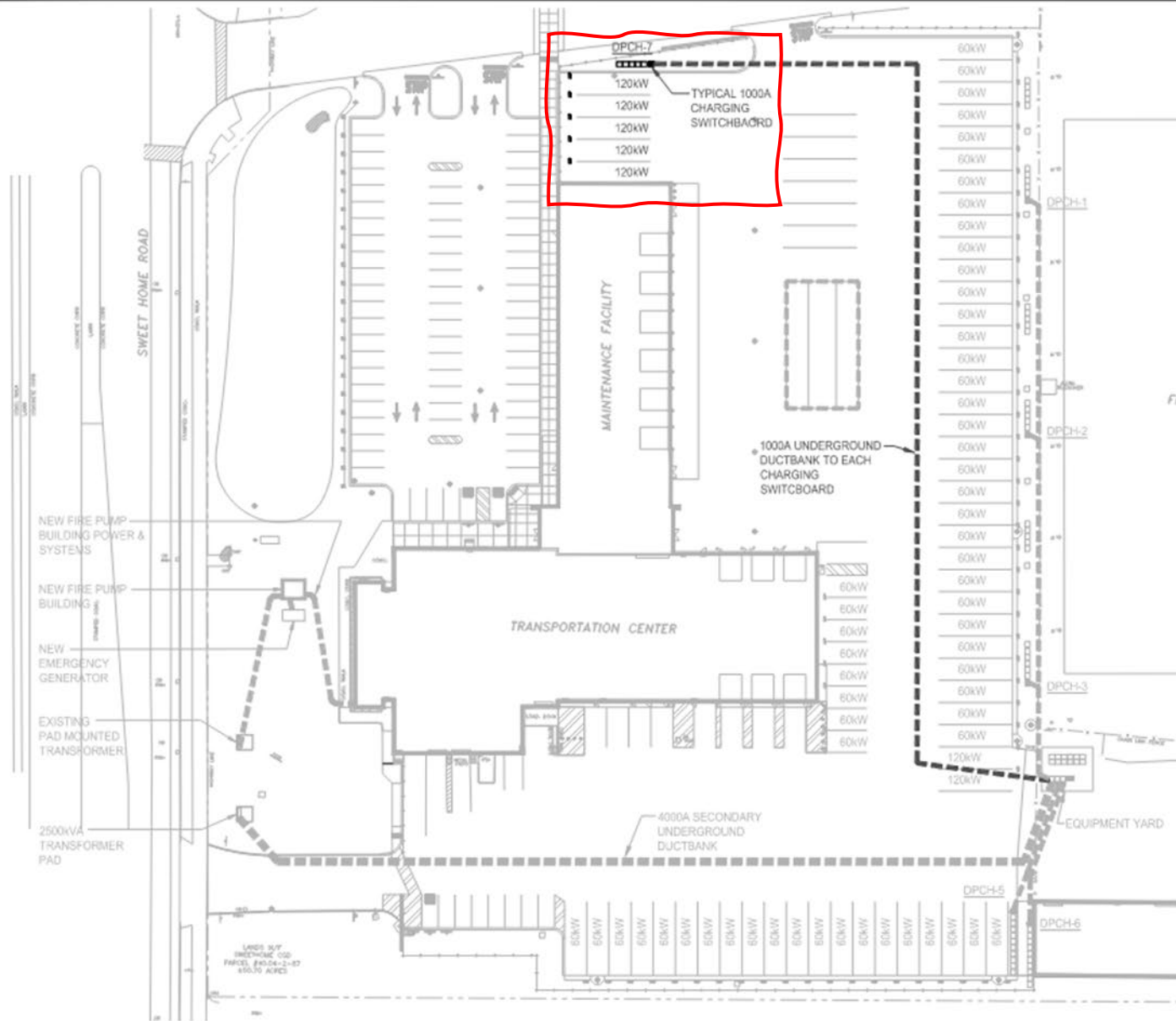
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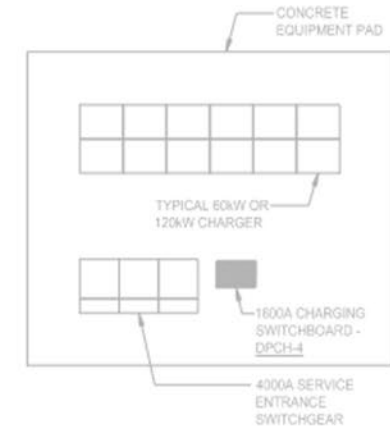




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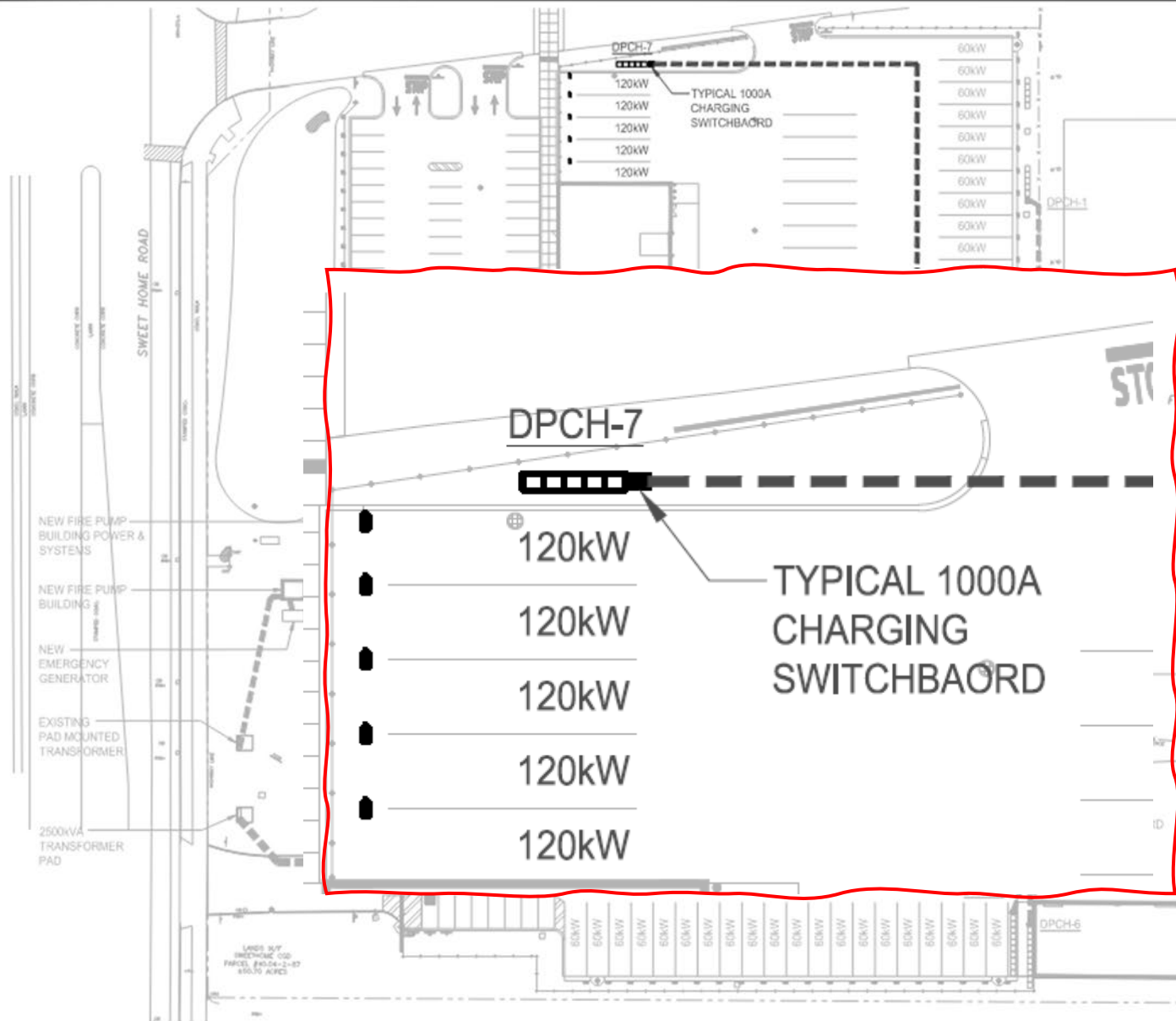
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60kW PLUG-IN	-	-	-	-
120kW PLUG-IN	-	-	-	5
TOTAL AFTER PHASE 4	67			



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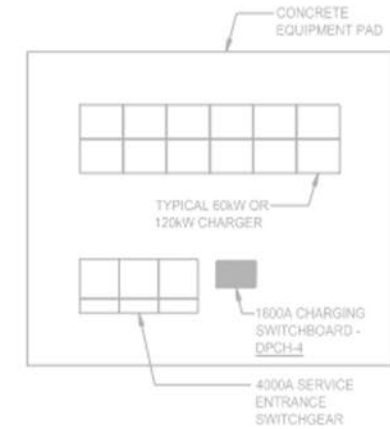
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# Design and Construction Costs

- **Utility Upgrades** – New service entrance, transformer, potential system upgrades.
  - Up to 90% covered by utility make-ready program
- **Buses** – Battery electric buses are more expensive today than their diesel counterparts.
  - NYSBIP and EPA Clean School Bus Grants can offset a significant portion of the cost differential
- **Charging Infrastructure** – On-site distribution upgrades, Switchboards, charging switchboards, cabling, chargers, dispensers.
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- **Facility Upgrades** – Bus lifts, potential HVAC upgrades, etc.
  - SED aide eligible
- **Fire Protection Systems** – Fire pump house, fire pumps, emergency generator, plumbing and piping
  - SED aide eligible

# Design and Construction Delivery Methods

*There are several different construction options available to school districts that want to continue to own and operate their fleet post conversion to battery electric buses*

**Traditional design/bid/build** – School district contracts for all services directly and manages the entire process. Typically, is the longest duration of the various delivery methods.

**Design/Build** – School district contracts with a designer for a 30% design, then contracts with a design/builder who will finalize the design and construct the project. Design Builder manages the majority of the project. Usually a shorter duration for overall construction.

## POTENTIAL OPTIONAL DELIVERY METHODS

### Implementation Planning

- First Phase/Pilot
- Funding sources
  - NYSBIP
  - Make Ready
  - Capital Plan
  - SED Approach
- Approvals
  - School Board
  - Public Outreach
  - NYSERDA/SED

### Design & Construction

- Detailed Design
  - Schedule
  - A/E Services
  - Estimates
- SED Approvals
- Permitting
- Bid Package Prep
- Bid Reviews
- Construction Mgmt.



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"PURCHASING MADE PERSONAL"





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