



CEDAR CANOPY

RESIDENTIAL
INTERIOR FEATURE
UNDER \$50,000

PROJECT: WOOD CEILING FEATURE

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Urban high-rise living often presents a design paradox: the desire for sleek, modern sophistication versus the need for organic comfort. In this downtown condo, the existing architecture was defined by sharp angles and polished surfaces—a high-end aesthetic that risked feeling detached. The objective was to soften this industrial edge by introducing a deliberate, natural counterpoint, seamlessly melding contemporary precision with the grounding texture of the outdoors to create a residence that is as welcoming as it is modern.

The centerpiece of this transformation is the Cedar Canopy, a sophisticated drop ceiling crafted from Dolly Varden Cedar Panels. Utilizing clear vertical grain cedar, the installation immediately bathes the living room in a rich, amber warmth that balances the home's modern lines. To elevate the atmosphere, a dual-layer lighting system was integrated: hidden perimeter LEDs cast ethereal washes of yellow, blue, and violet above the wood, while delicate recessed fixtures within the panels provide functional, intimate light below. The result is a stunning architectural feature that anchors the room, drawing the focus to the gathering space with an unmistakable sense of “home.”



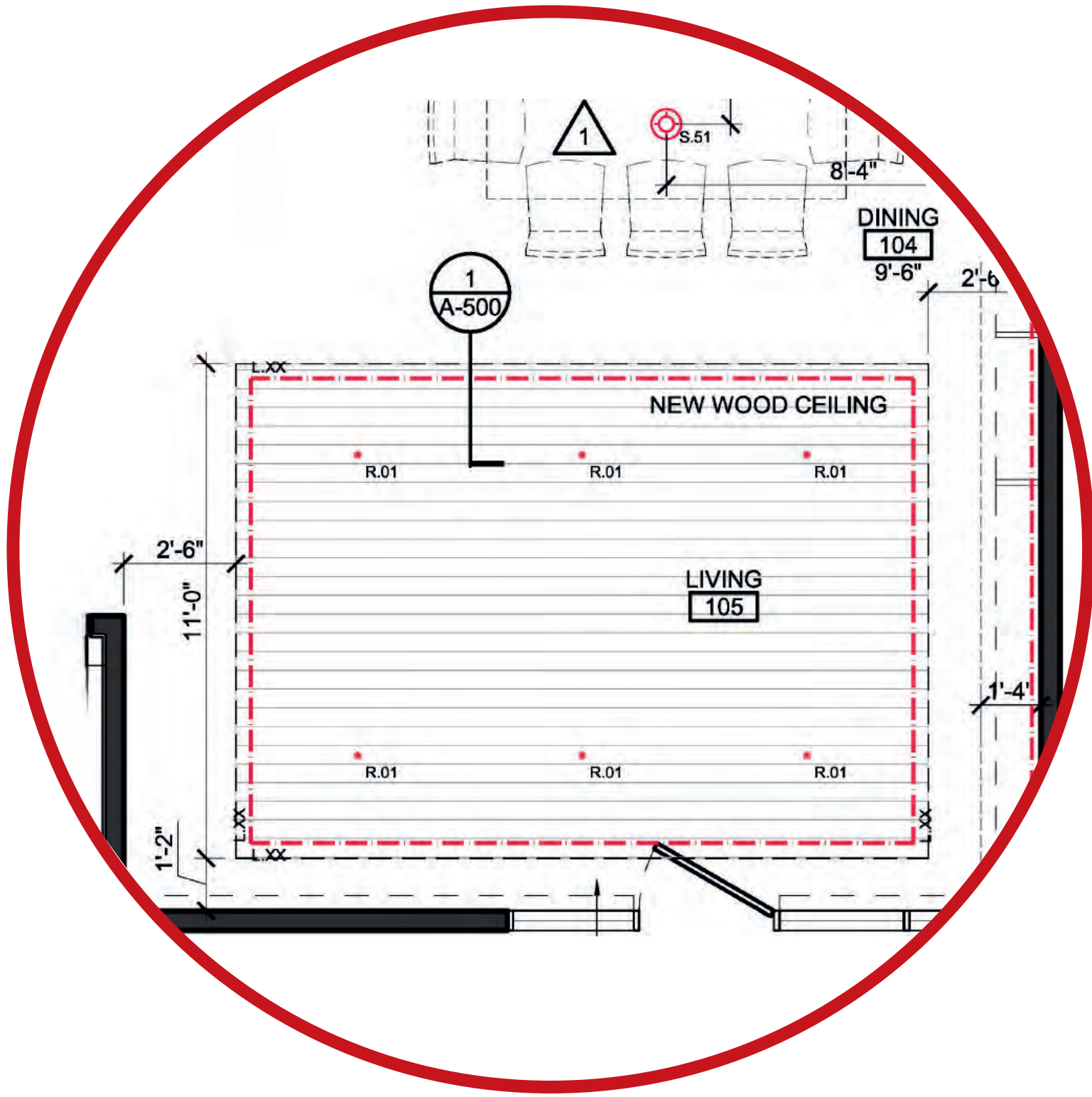
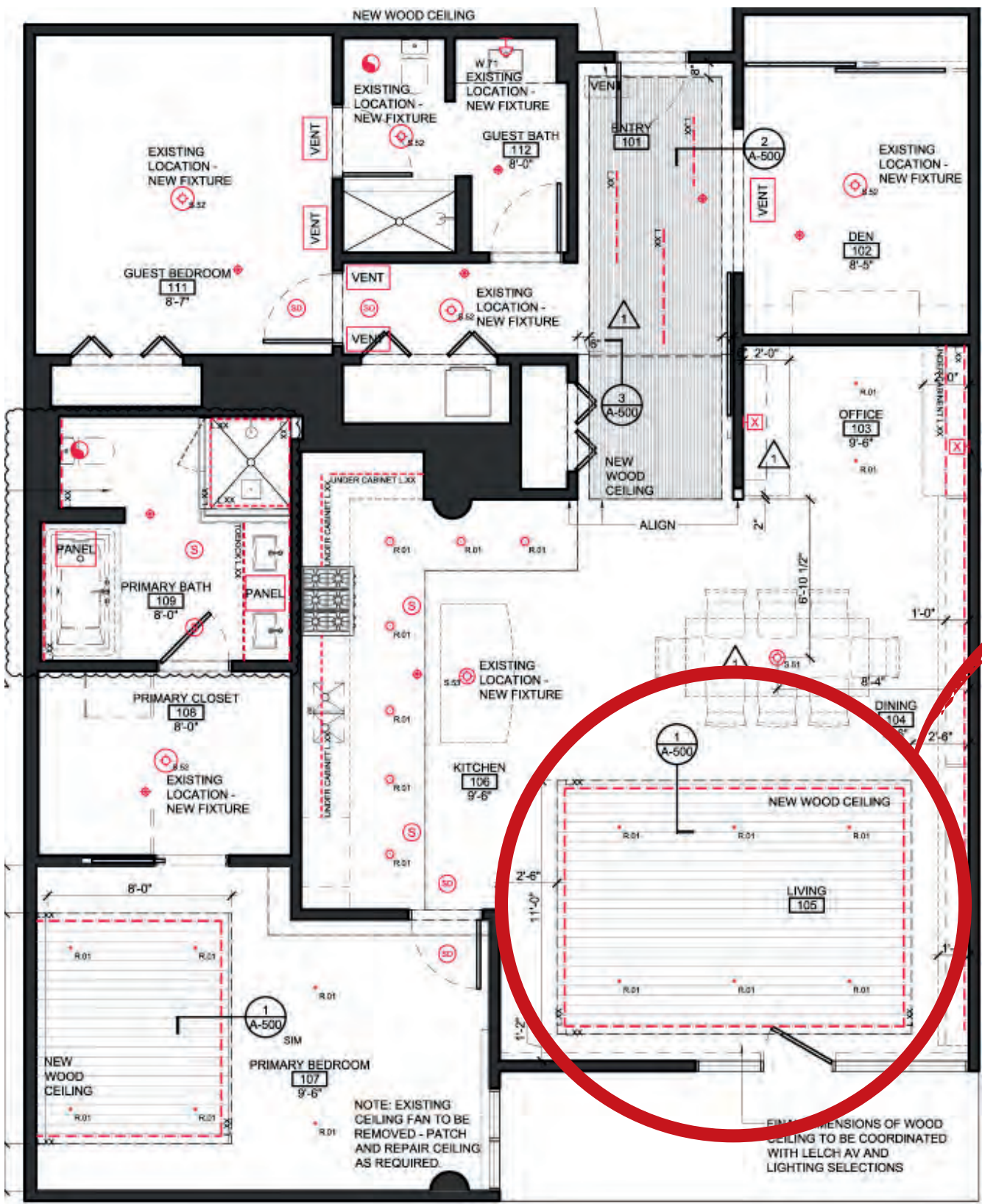
BEFORE & AFTER

The original living and dining areas lacked clear architectural boundaries, resulting in a layout that felt uninspired and undefined. Monochromatic beige tones bled seamlessly from one zone to the next, creating a “bland” continuity that offered no visual transition or sense of purpose for the individual spaces.

The introduction of the Cedar Canopy provides a sophisticated solution for spatial zoning without the need for restrictive physical barriers. This high-end architectural feature creates a definitive visual separation between the dining and living areas, preserving the open-concept flow of the condo while anchoring the gathering space. It is a masterclass in design efficiency—using vertical interest and organic texture to provide structure and warmth to a modern floor plan.



PLANS



RENDERING



AFTER PHOTOS



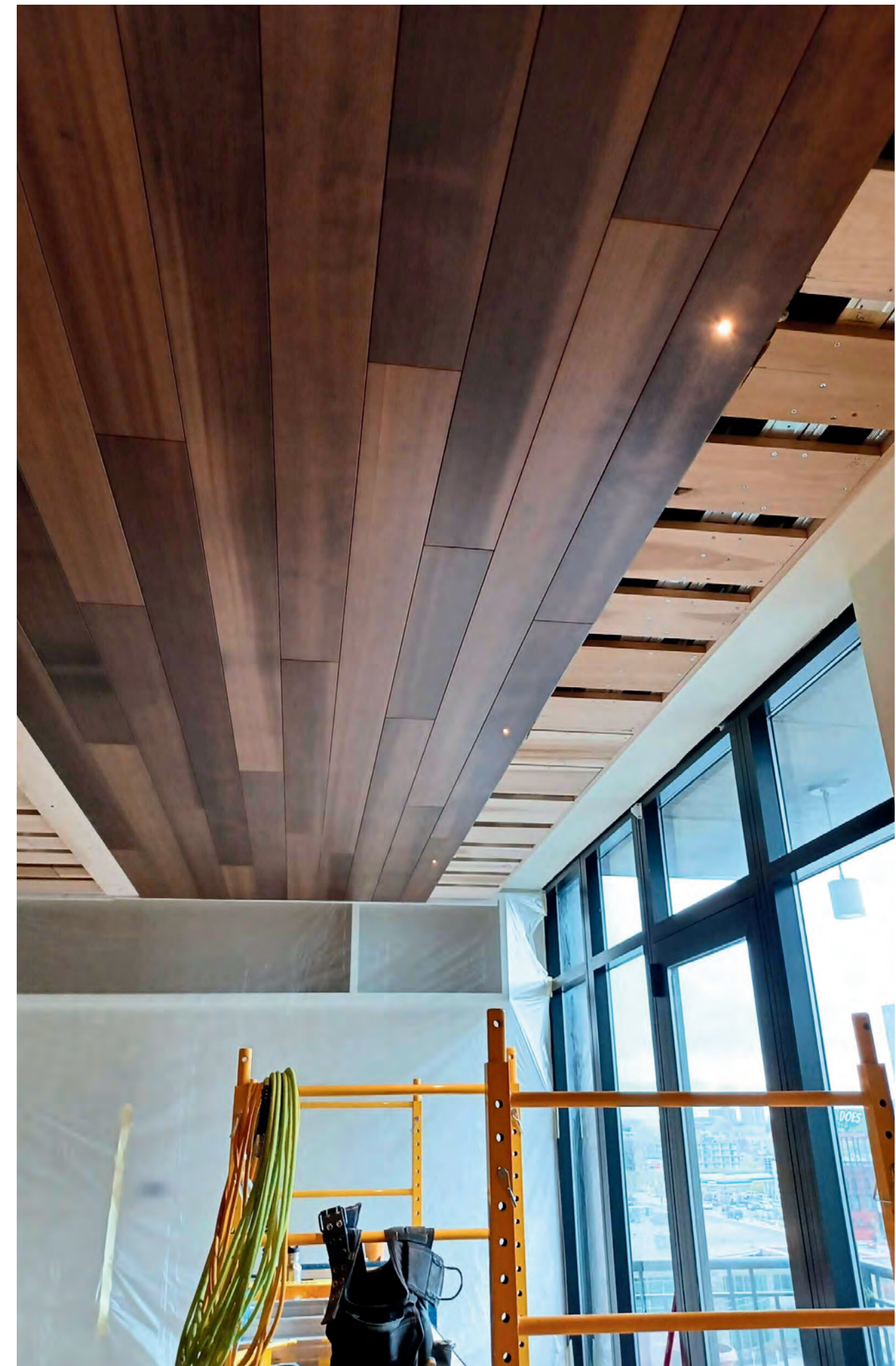
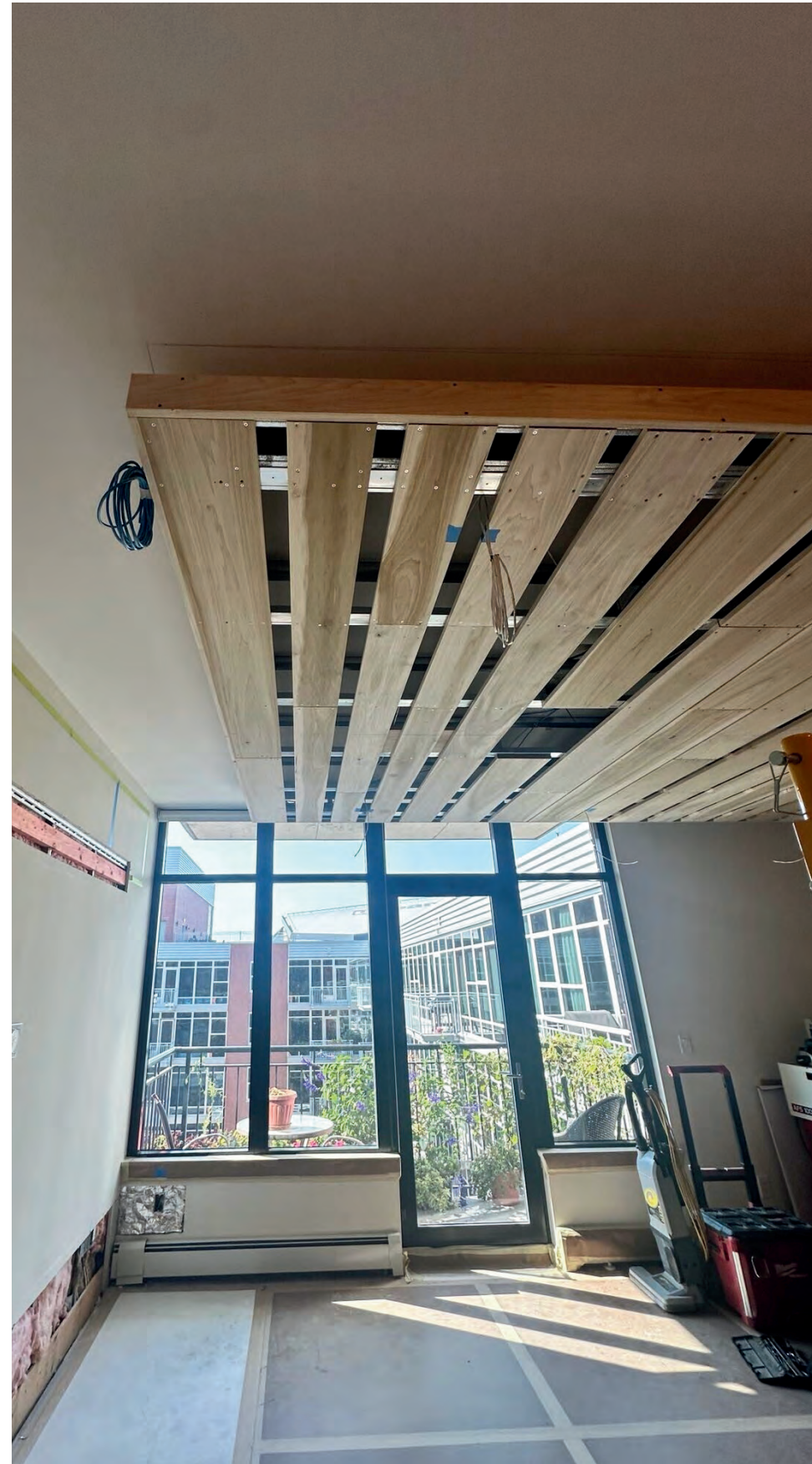
BEFORE PHOTOS



CONSTRUCTION STRUGGLES

Executing a feature of this magnitude within a high-rise presented significant logistical and structural hurdles. Navigating shared elevators and narrow corridors required careful material transport to avoid disturbing neighbors, while concrete ceilings and post-tensioned cables restricted where we could anchor new construction. Strategic engineering and precise planning were essential to secure framing and run utilities without compromising the building's structural integrity.

Beyond physical build constraints, success relied on meticulous project management. Integrating the heavy clear vertical grain cedar canopy demanded tight coordination between our primary construction crew, electrical subcontractors for concealed lighting, and A/V specialists. Synchronizing these trades enabled us to seamlessly integrate high-performance architectural features within the tight limitations of a modern condo renovation.



CONSTRUCTION PHOTOS

