

Mid Cambridge Neighborhood

Conservation District Commission
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APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATE

Section I:1. The undersigned hereby applies to the Mid Cambridg	a Neighborhood Conservation District Commission		
for a Certificate of (check type of certificate): App in accordance with Ch. 2.78 of the Municipal Code at	propriateness, \(\subseteq \text{Nonapplicability, or } \subseteq \text{Hardship,} \)		
2. Address of property: 18 Clinton Street	, Cambridge, Massachusetts		
3. Describe the proposed alteration(s), construction, or demolition in the space provided below: (An additional page can be attached, if necessary). Please see attached description.			
Name of Property Owner of Record: 18 Clinton LP c/o Asha Da Mailing Address: 18 Clinton Street Cambridge MA	inlere A 02139		
Telephone/Fax: 416 505 5947	E-mail: asha@ashadaniere.com		
Signature of Property Owner of Record*: (Required field; application will not be considered complete w *I have read the application in full and certify that the informatory knowledge and belief.	ithout property owner's signature)		
Name of proponent, if not record owner:			
Mailing Address:			
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Type of Certificate Issued:

Date Issued: ____

Section II:

Is property listed on the Current Zoning Distric	e National Register of Historic Places? TO Publicly owned? TO t: C-1 Current Use: two family residential
Section III:	
Will this project require:	variance no special permit no
If yes, nature of zoning r	elief sought: setbacks FAR use
height	parking other (explain)
Section IV (Complete	any portions that apply to proposed scope of work):
New Construction or A	dditions:
4450 (see attachment)	floor area of existing structures on the lot
630	amount of floor area (gross square feet) of proposed construction
14%	percentage increase in total floor area after construction
6042	total area of lot in square feet
84%	percentage of total lot area covered after construction
Demolition: n/a (see attachment)	amount of floor area (gross square feet) of proposed demolition
n/a	floor area of existing structure
n/a	percentage decrease in total floor area after demolition
Alterations: Does the proposed work	include (check all that apply):
yes	enclosure or removal of decorative elements (including cornice, fascia,
soffit, bay, porch, hood,	cornerboard, window sash, or window or door casing);
yes	increase or reduction of window or door size;
yes	relocation of windows or doors;
yes	_change in slope, pitch, or configuration of roof;
no (already	removal of original or historic roofing material.

Mid Cambridge NCD

<u>Application for Certificate of Appropriateness – 18 Clinton St (Rear)</u>

Response to Question 3:

I am currently in the process of a renovation and conversion of the home I grew up in, pursuant to a special permit and variance previously approved by the Board of Zoning Appeal in 2023 (BZA Case No. 208880).

The 2023 BZA decision allowed for a change of use (from multi-family to a two-family) and renovations to the home, including modest additions and window changes within setbacks. The project received a Certificate of Appropriateness from the Mid-Cambridge NCD in 2022. Pursuant to the recently amended Zoning Ordinance of the City of Cambridge, the structure as proposed is conforming in all respects.

I am seeking an amendment to the previously issued building permit. This change will increase living space and natural light in the second unit ("Unit B"), where I intend to reside with my family. The proposed alterations will reposition this section of Unit B to sit farther away from the north and east property lines and add a third story. In addition, the ground level of the basement foundation has been raised to accommodate a very high-water table in the rear of the lot and thereby minimize flood risk. These changes will make this section moderately more visible from the street. We have endeavored to ensure that the design, arrangement, texture, scale and materials chosen align with the neighboring properties.

The pre-existing green spaces on the lot will be preserved, and a new landscaped yard will be added to the space south of Unit B, which was previously paved.

We are also seeking to demolish and rebuild two pre-existing dilapidated exterior walls from the same rear section which have been stored on site during construction. The remainder of the rear section (other than these two walls) was demolished during construction in 2024 in accordance with approvals from ISD and the Mid Cambridge NCD office. During a particularly strong windstorm in November, one of the remaining walls became detached from the front structure (where it was being stored in accordance with building code) and fell over in the driveway, fortunately without harming any life or property. This wall is now severely damaged and ongoing storage/repair is extremely cumbersome and impractical. Continued storage of these walls also poses a risk on site and is hampering the progress of construction of the front Unit (Unit A). We urgently request permission to demolish these two exterior walls which are not and were never visible from the public way (as they formed part of the rear structure) and are not structurally sound.

The specific proposed alterations to the rear section include:

1. repositioning of north elevation to sit farther away (three feet and two inches (3" 2")) from the property line

- 2. repositioning of east elevation to sit farther away (five feet and three inches (5' 3")) from the property line
- 3. Addition of a third story consistent with the front structure and neighbouring buildings
- 4. Change of roof pitch from gable to flat
- 5. Addition of new windows and relocation of front door
- 6. Demolition and replacement of two exterior walls

Additional Notes to Section IV

The dimensions provided on the application form include the square footage to be added and demolished pursuant to the current proposed amendment to the existing building permit. Set out below are the dimensions/calculations on a cumulative basis which include the square footage previously demolished and the square footage previously added to Unit A pursuant to the special permit and variance issued in 2023.

New Construction or Additions (cumulative totals):

floor area of existing structures on the lot:

amount of floor area (gross square feet) of proposed construction:

890.63

percentage increase in total floor area after construction:

21%

total area of lot in square feet:

6042

percentage of total lot area covered after construction: 84%

Demolition (cumulative totals):

amount of floor area (gross square feet) of proposed demolition: 1002

floor area of existing structure: 4190

percentage decrease in total floor area after demolition: 23.9%

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2025 HISTORICAL COMISSION SUBMISSION SET

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NARRATIVE:

THE PROJECT CONSIST ON A FULL NEW DESIGN FOR REAR BULDING (UNIT B) WITH NEW SET BACKS ON SIDE LEFT AND REAR SIDES OF THE PROPERTY, NEW ADDITIONAL LIVING SPACE IN NEW FOOT PRINT AND NEW LEVEL 3. FRONT UNIT (UNIT A) WILL REMAIN AS PREVIOUSLY APPROVED.

FILIATES

ARCHITECT:

SKA INC. 357 HURON AVE. CAMBRIDGE, MA 02138



GENERAL CONTRACTOR:

MATTHEW ROMAN

LANDSCAPE ARCHITECT:

N/A

STRUCTURAL ENGINEER:

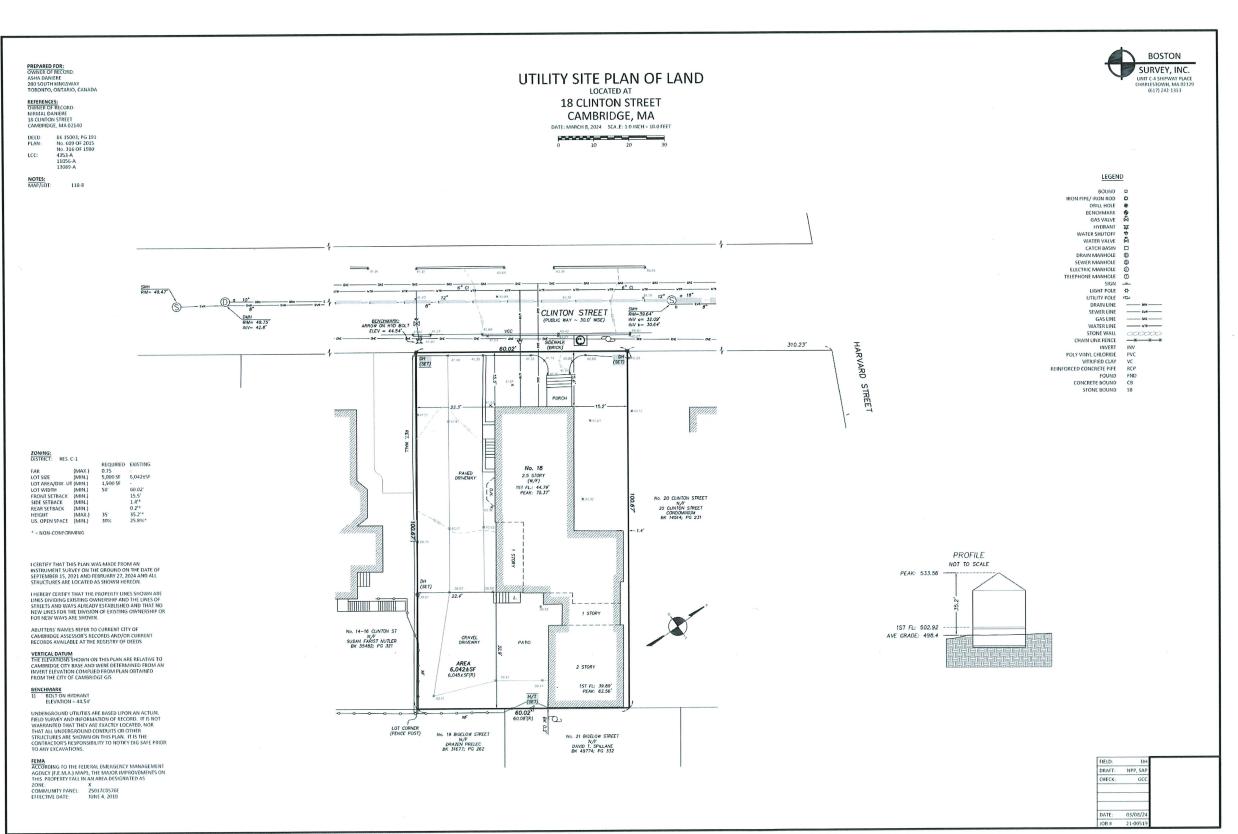
DAN WEBB
WEBB STRUCTURAL SERVICES

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HANCOCK SURVEY

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CERTIFIED PLOT PLAN

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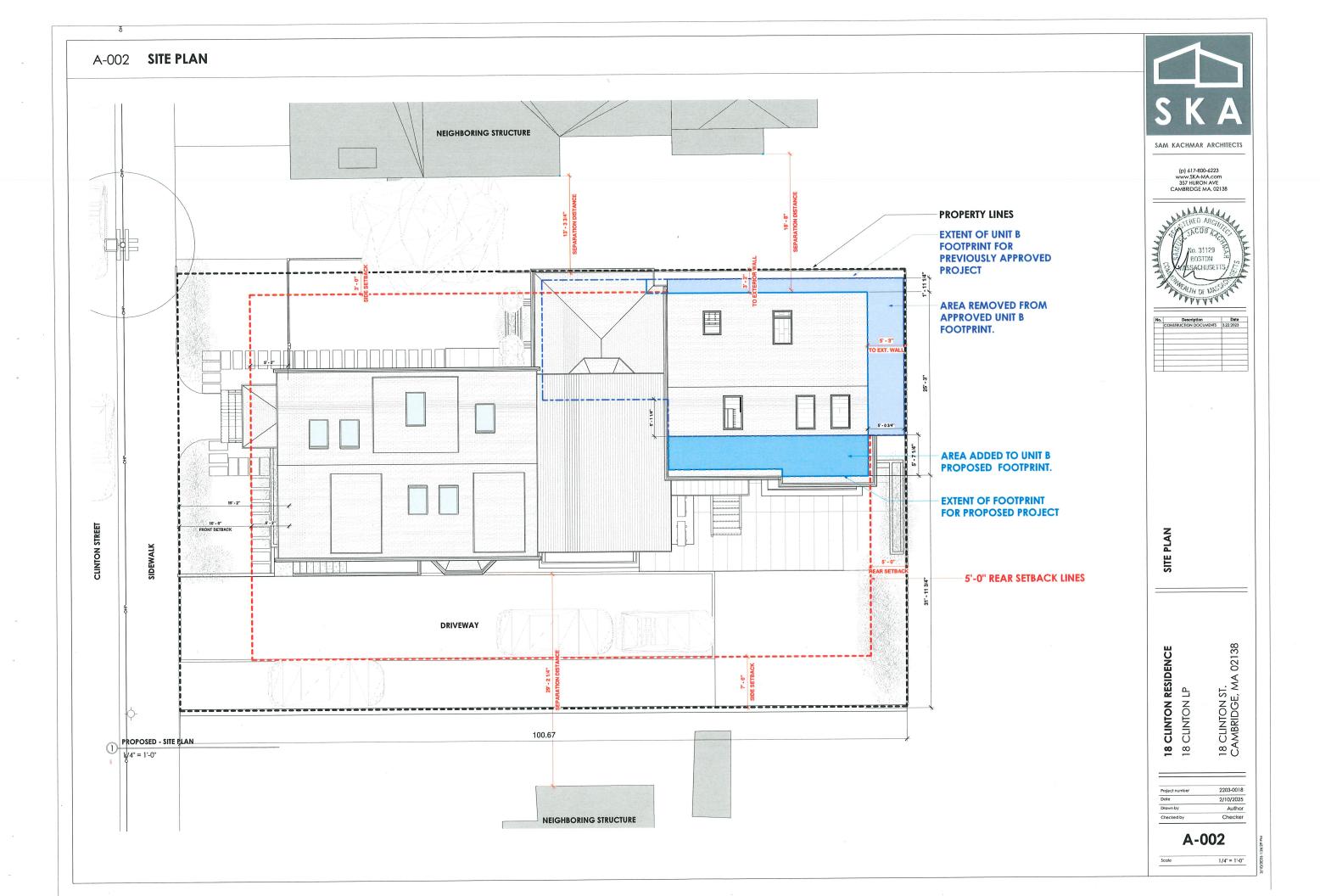
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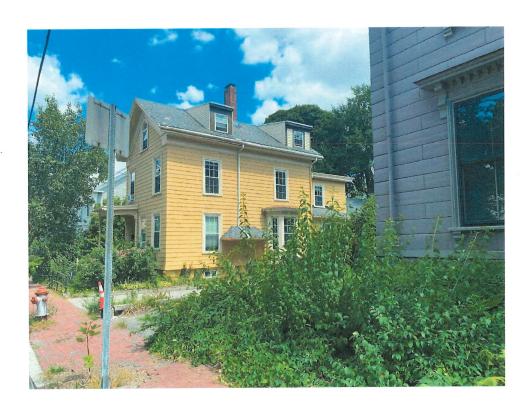
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UNIT B - PROPOSED - MASSING PERSPECTIVE





UNIT B - PROPOSE - MASSING STREET VIEW



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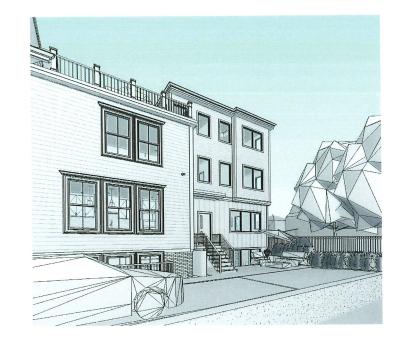
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UNIT B - MASSING PERSPECTIVE 3



STREET MASSING PERSPECTIVE 1

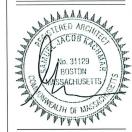


STREET MASSING PERSPECTIVE 2

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ELEVATION WEST

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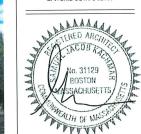
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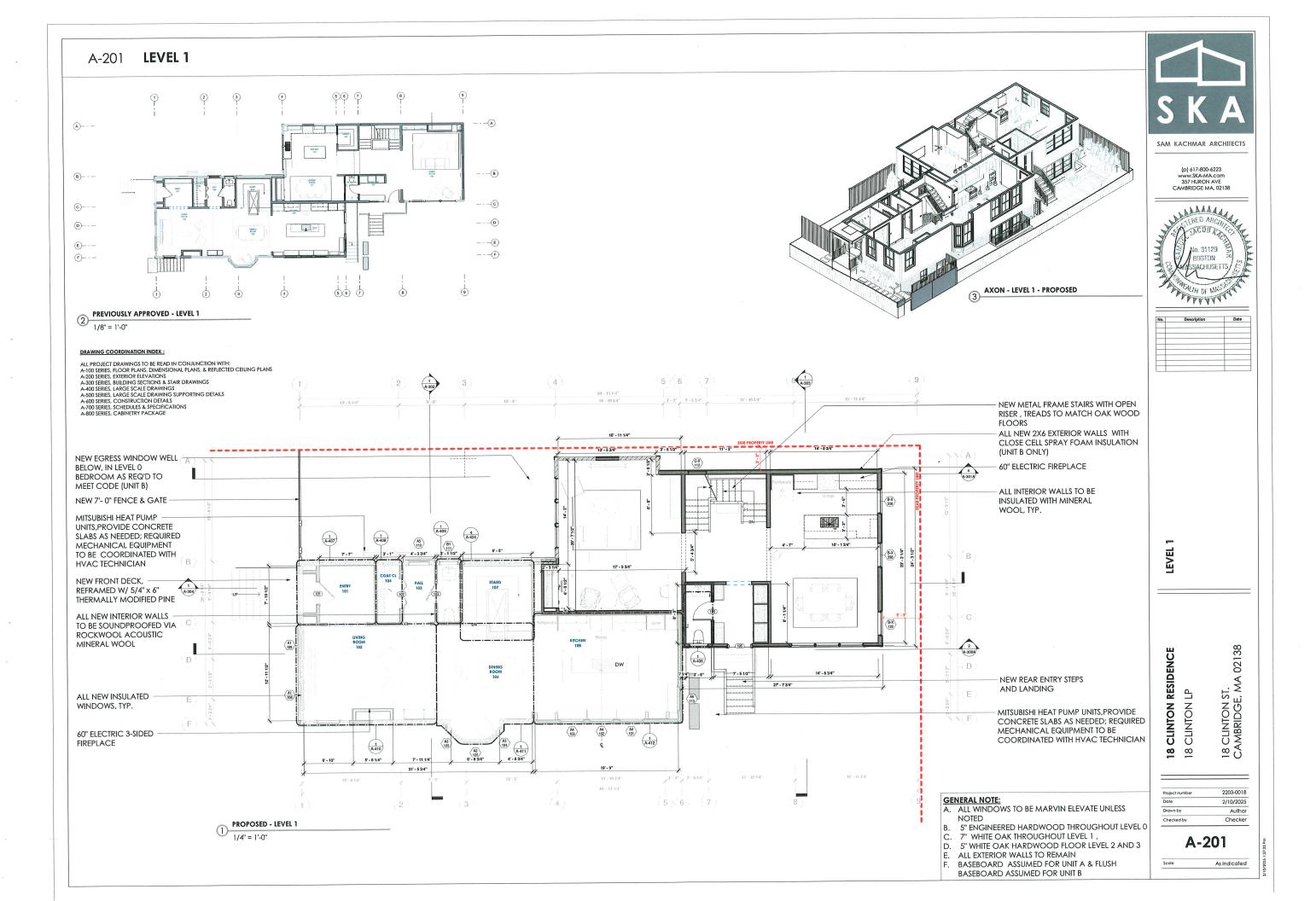
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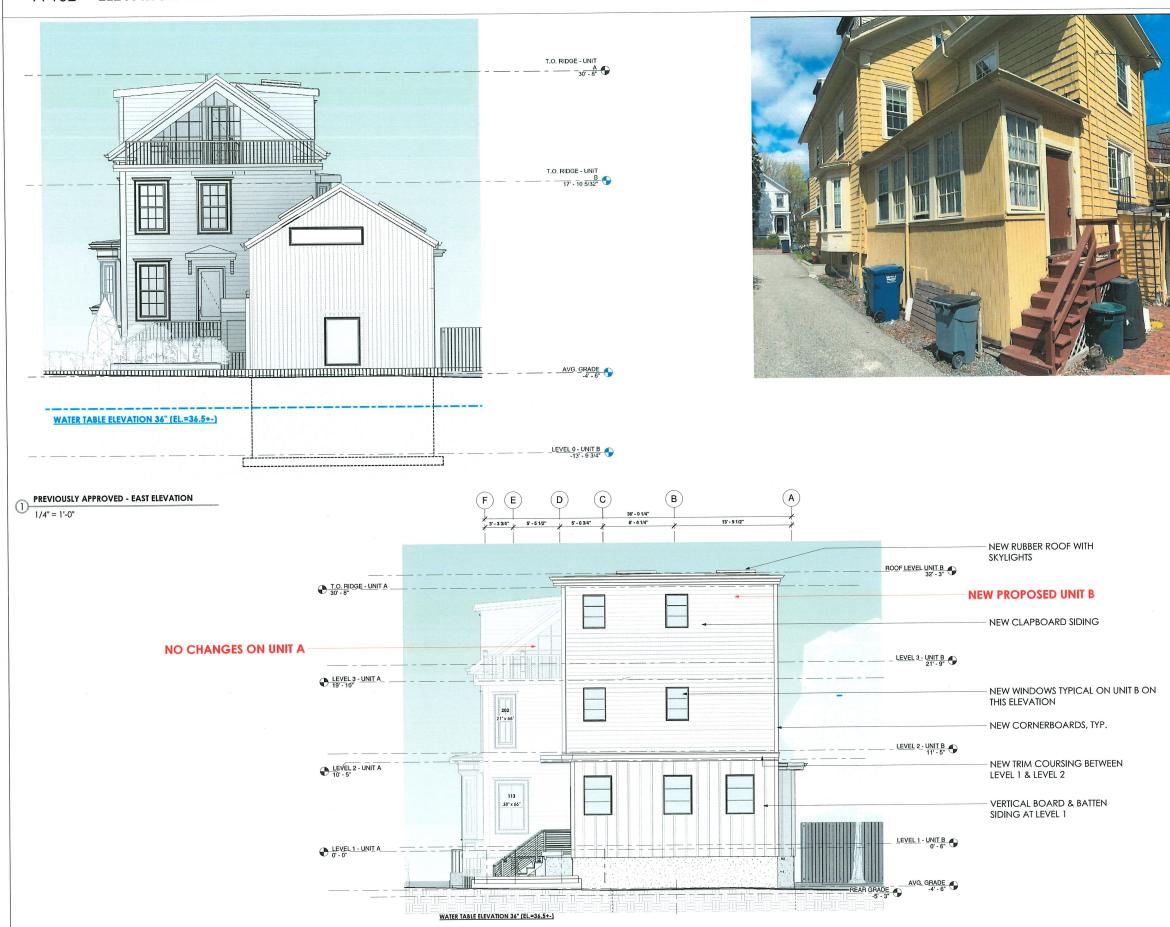
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PROPOSED - EAST ELEVATION

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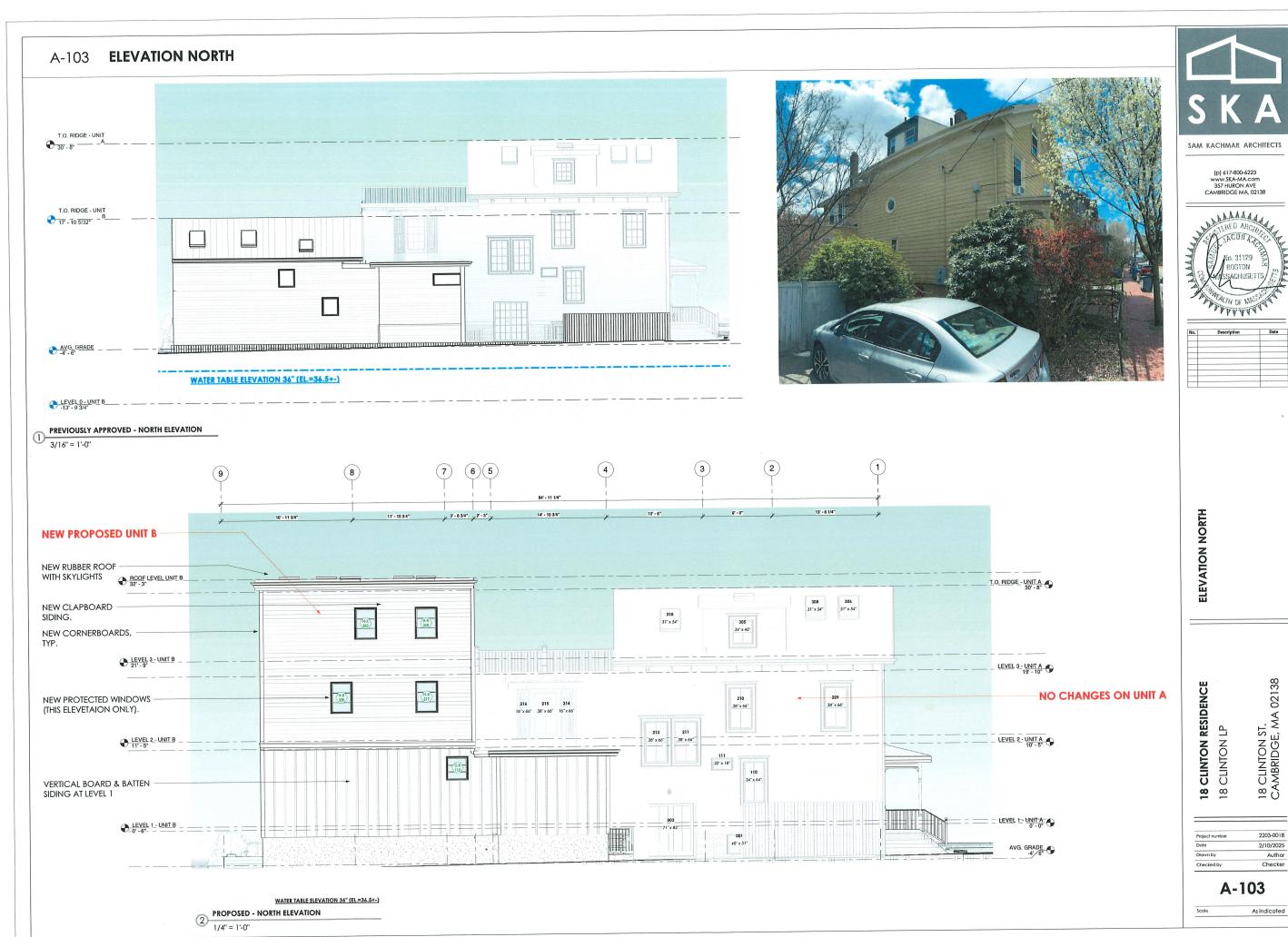
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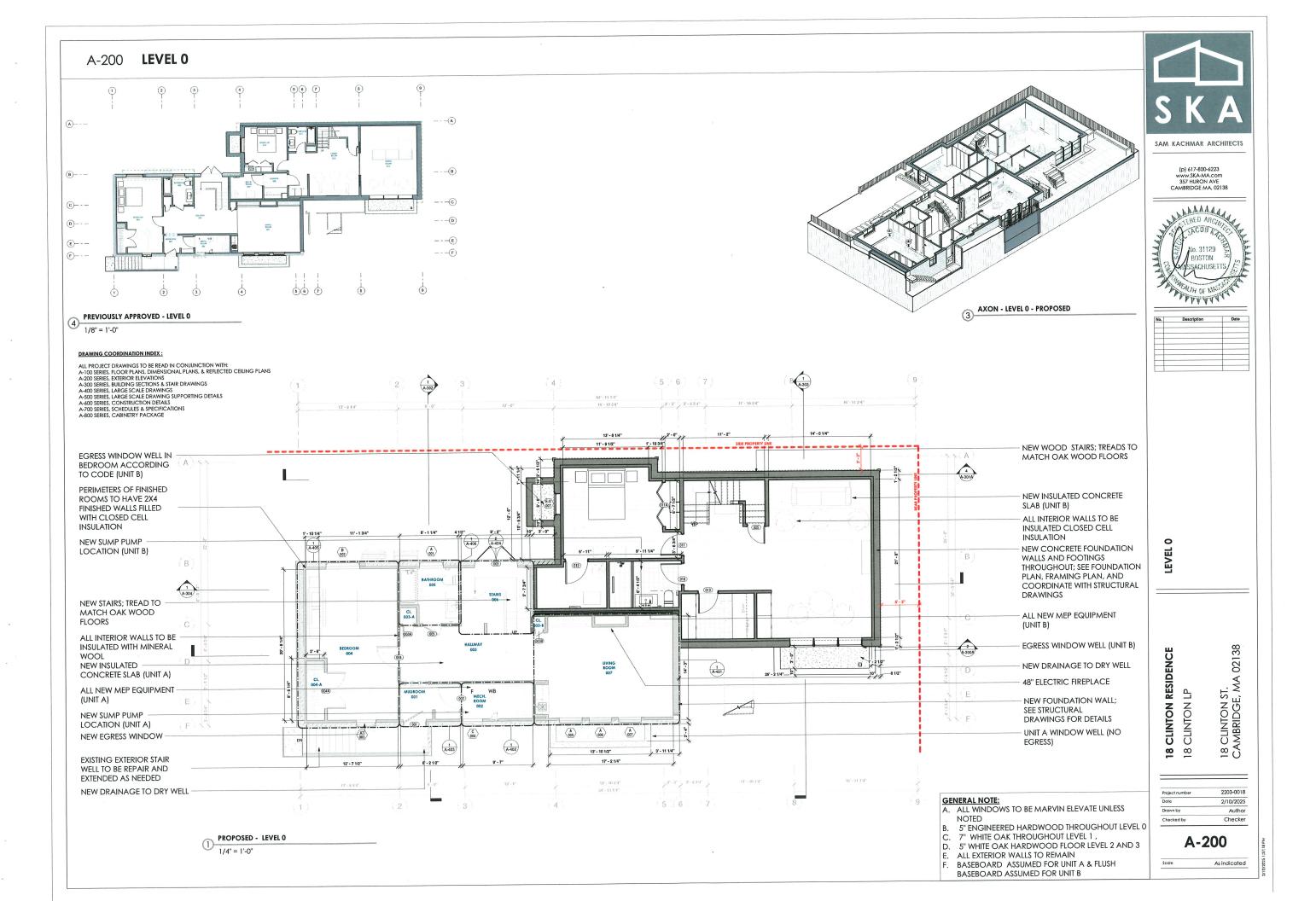
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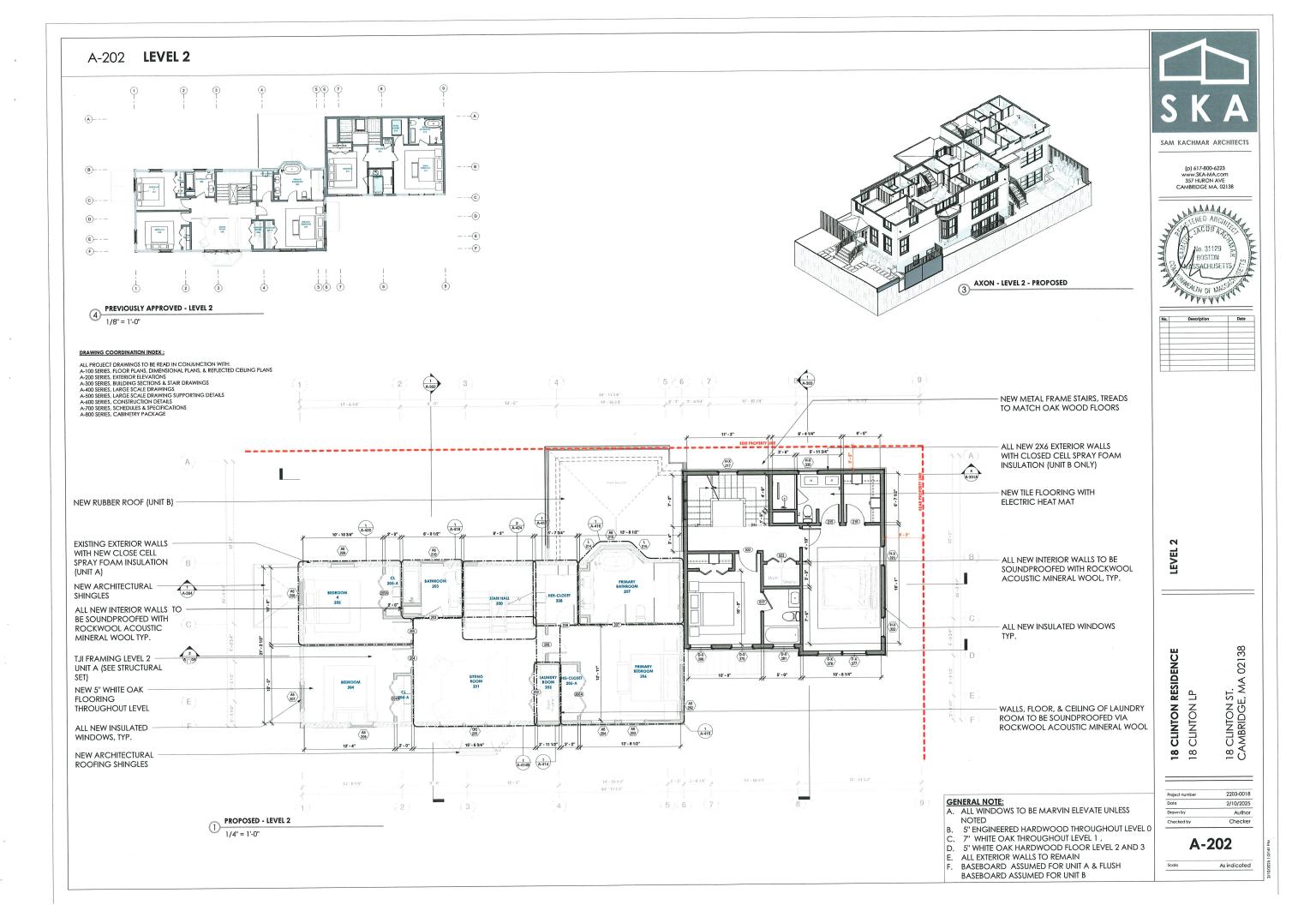
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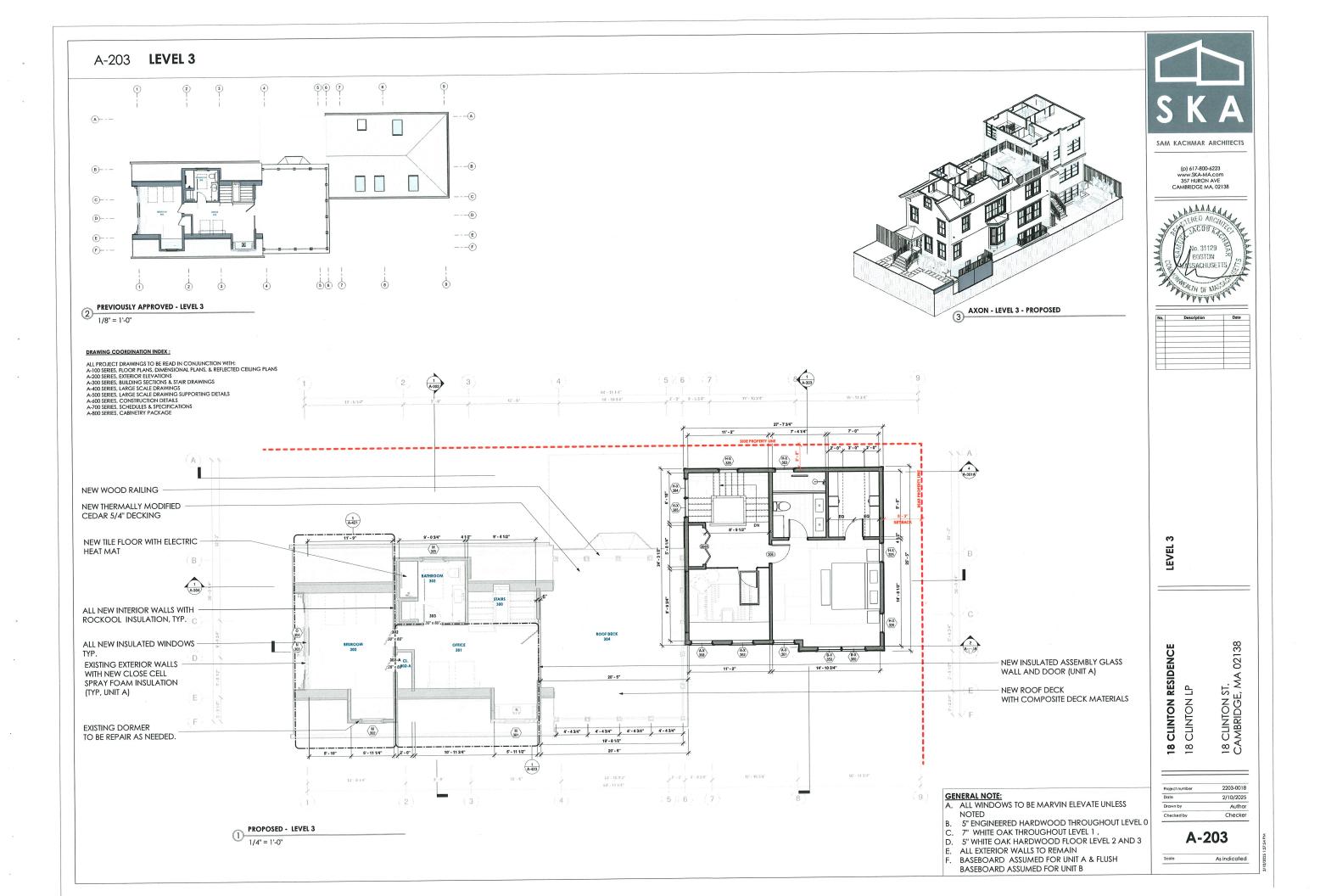
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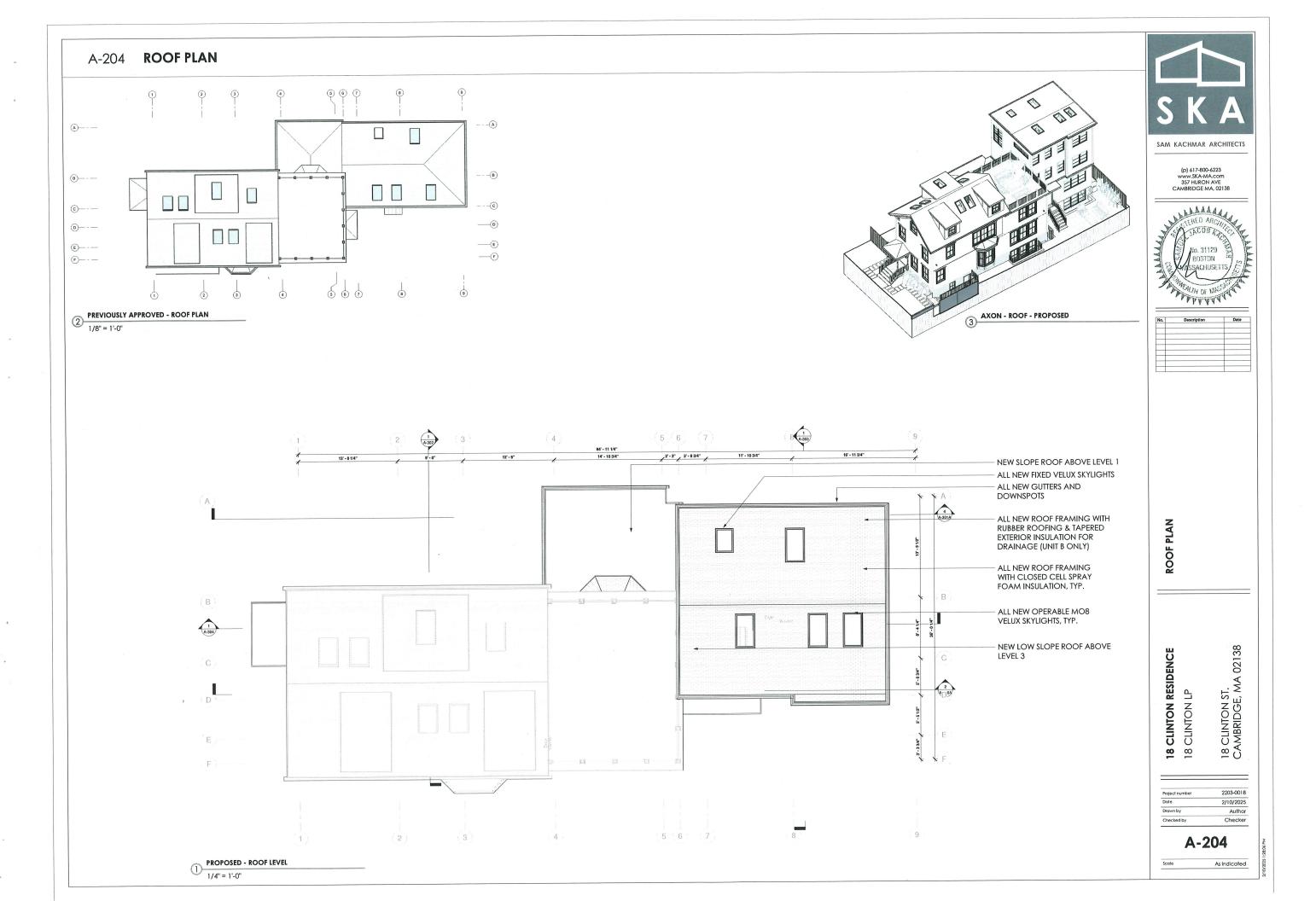
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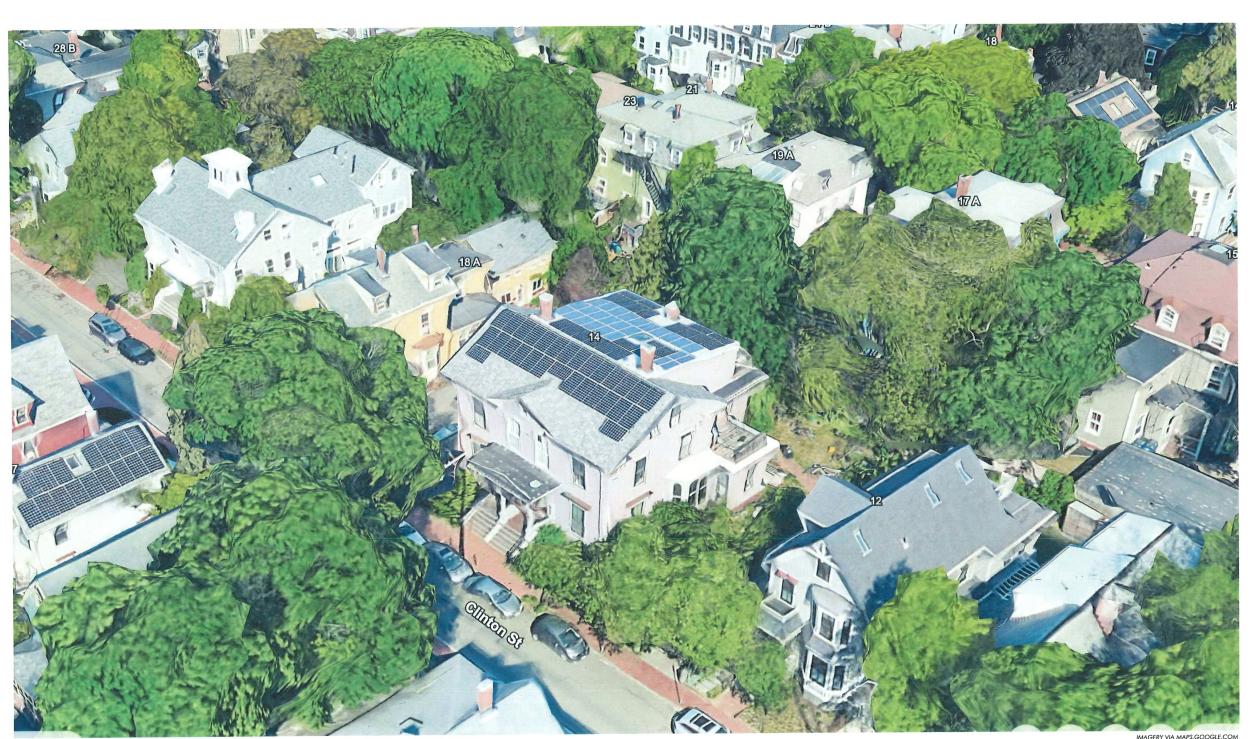
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AERIAL VIEW FROM WESTERN CORNER OF SITE





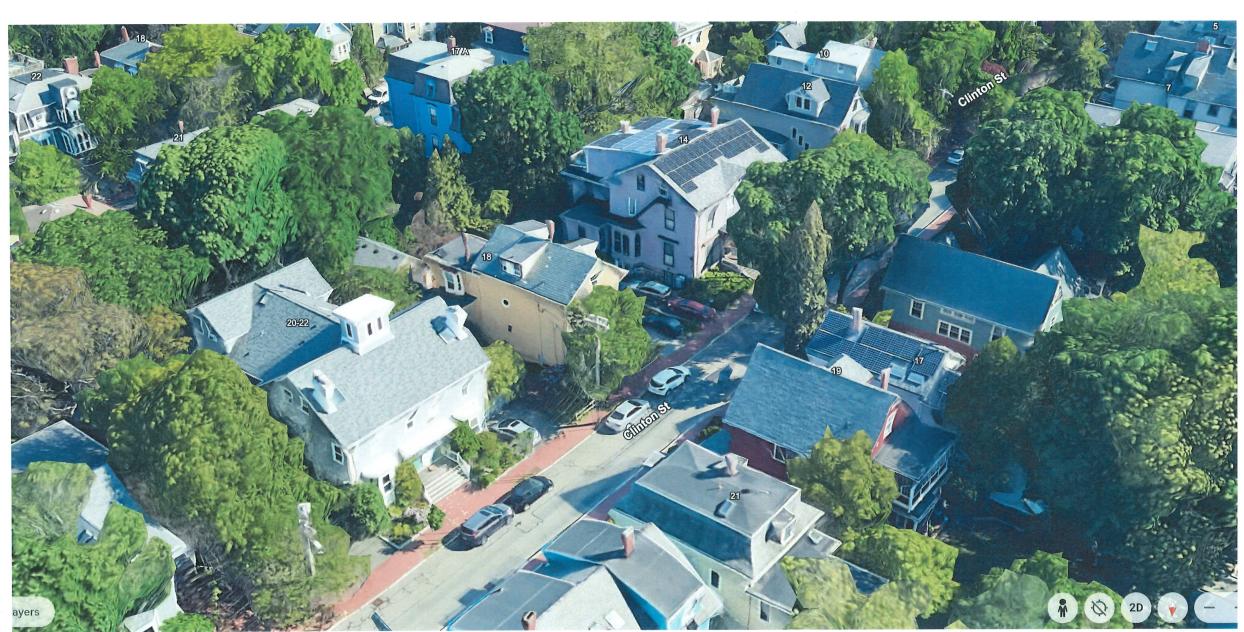
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AERIAL VIEW FROM NORTHERN CORNER OF SITE