



CITY OF CAMBRIDGE

BOARD OF ZONING APPEAL

831 Massachusetts Avenue, Cambridge MA 02139

617-349-6100

BZA Application Form

BZA Number: 165327

General Information

The undersigned hereby petitions the Board of Zoning Appeal for the following:

Special Permit: X Variance: X Appeal:

PETITIONER: Joseph Glenmullen, Manager of Fayerweather Street, LLC C/O James J. Rafferty.

PETITIONER'S ADDRESS: 907 Massachusetts Avenue, Cambridge, MA 02139

LOCATION OF PROPERTY: 27 Fayerweather St., Cambridge, MA

TYPE OF OCCUPANCY: 2 family.

ZONING DISTRICT: Residence A-1 Zone

REASON FOR PETITION:

/Additions/ /Conversion to Additional Dwelling Units/

DESCRIPTION OF PETITIONER'S PROPOSAL:

Petitioner seeks to increase height of roof of both the accessory dwelling unit structure and the existing garage.

Petitioner seeks to construct portions of front and rear additions and basement entry with railing within the required sideyard setback to non-conforming pre-existing two family dwelling and install window wells. Petitioner also seeks to convert existing rear garage to an accessory dwelling unit and install window wells within the required setback.

SECTIONS OF ZONING ORDINANCE CITED:

- Article: 4.000 Section: 4.22 (Accessory Apartment).
- Article: 5.000 Section: 5.31 (Table of Dimensional Requirements).
- Article: 8.000 Section: 8.22.2(d) (Nonconforming Structure).
- Article: 10.000 Section: 10.30 (Variance) & Sec. 10.40 (Special Permit).

Original
Signature(s):



(Petitioner (s) / Owner)

James J. Rafferty, Attorney for Petitioner

(Print Name)

Address: 907 Massachusetts Avenue, Suite 300
Tel. No. 617.492.4100
E-Mail Address: jrafferty@adamsrafferty.com

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OWNERSHIP INFORMATION FOR BOARD OF ZONING APPEAL RECORD

To be completed by OWNER, signed and returned to Secretary of Board of Appeal

Joseph Glenmullen
(Owner or Petitioner)

Address: c/o James J. Rafferty 907 Massachusetts Avenue, Cambridge MA 02139

Location of Premises: 27 Fayerweather Street

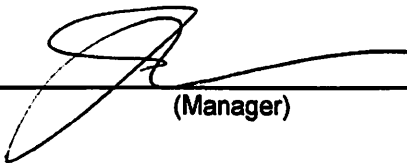
the record title standing in the name of Fayerweather St LLC

whose address is 31 St. James Ave., 6TH Floor Boston, MA 02116
(Street) (City or Town) (State & Zip Code)

by a deed duly recorded in the Middlesex South County Registry of Deeds in

Book 78708 Page 486 or _____ Registry

District of Land Court Certificate No. _____ Book _____ Page _____



(Manager)

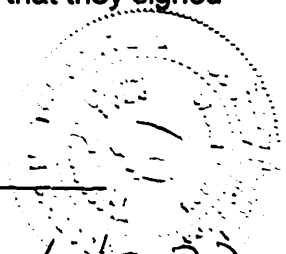
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On this 28th day of February, 2022, before me, the undersigned notary public, personally appeared JOSEPH GLENMULLEN proved to me through satisfactory evidence of identification, which were MAID, to be the person whose name is signed on the preceding or attached document, and acknowledged to me that they signed it voluntarily for its stated purpose.



Notary Public

My commission expires: 9/14/2023



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SUPPORTING STATEMENT FOR A VARIANCE

EACH OF THE FOLLOWING REQUIREMENTS FOR A VARIANCE MUST BE ESTABLISHED AND SET FORTH IN COMPLETE DETAIL BY THE APPLICANT IN ACCORDANCE WITH MGL 40A, SECTION 10.

A) A literal enforcement of the provisions of this Ordinance would involve a substantial hardship, financial or otherwise, to the petitioner or appellant for the following reasons:

A literal enforcement of the provisions of this Ordinance would prevent the applicant from increasing the height of the roof of the two accessory structures.

B) The hardship is owing to the following circumstances relating to the soil conditions, shape or topography of such land or structures and especially affecting such land or structures by not affecting generally the zoning district in which it is located for the following reasons:

The hardship is related to the historic context of the existing principal structure on the lot and the desire to construct roof profiles consistent with that design.

C) DESIRABLE RELIEF MAY BE GRANTED WITHOUT EITHER:

1) Desirable relief may be granted without substantial detriment to the public good for the following reasons:

There will be no detriment to the public good as a result of allowing an increase in the height of the roof of the accessory structures since several carriage houses in the district have similar or greater roof heights.

2) Desirable relief may be granted without nullifying or substantially derogating from the intent or purpose of this Ordinance for the following reasons:

The change in the roof height and the slope of the roof of the accessory dwelling unit structure will not result in an increase in gross floor area beyond the 900 sf permitted for accessory apartments in the Ordinance. Similarly, the increase roof height of the front garage will not expand its footprint or floor area.

***If you have any questions as to whether you can establish all of the applicable legal requirements, you should consult with an attorney.**

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SUPPORTING STATEMENT FOR A SPECIAL PERMIT

Please describe in complete detail how you meet each of the following criteria referring to the property and proposed changes or uses which are requested in your application. Attach sheets with additional information for special permits which have additional criteria, e.g.; fast food permits, comprehensive permits, etc., which must be met.

Granting the Special Permit requested for 27 Fayerweather St., Cambridge, MA (location) would not be a detriment to the public interest because:

A) Requirements of the Ordinance can or will be met for the following reasons:

Section 8.22.2(d) allows for the construction of the proposed additions to the principal structure upon the issuance of a Special Permit where, as in this case, the existing structure does not presently comply with the right side yard setback. Section 4.22 allows for the creation of accessory apartments in accessory buildings in all zoning districts where, as in this case, the accessory apartment is not greater than 900 sf.

B) Traffic generated or patterns of access or egress would not cause congestion hazard, or substantial change in established neighborhood character for the following reasons:

The proposed additions and the conversion of the carriage house to an accessory apartment will not alter traffic patterns on Fayerweather Street.

C) The continued operation of or the development of adjacent uses as permitted in the Zoning Ordinance would not be adversely affected by the nature of the proposed use for the following reasons:

Adjacent uses will not be affected by the portions of the two additions that are located within the right side yard setback.

D) Nuisance or hazard would not be created to the detriment of the health, safety, and/or welfare of the occupant of the proposed use or the citizens of the City for the following reasons:

The proposed additions and the conversion of the carriage house to an accessory apartment will be constructed in accordance with all the requirements of the State Building Code.

E) For other reasons, the proposed use would not impair the integrity of the district or adjoining district or otherwise derogate from the intent or purpose of this ordinance for the following reasons:

The proposed additions will not change the historic use of the property and are consistent with the residential uses in the district. The proposed accessory apartment will not require any significant change to the footprint of the existing structure with the exception of a new entry to facilitate appropriate access to the apartment.

***If you have any questions as to whether you can establish all of the applicable legal requirements, you should consult with an attorney.**

Date: March 9, 2022**BZA Application Form****DIMENSIONAL INFORMATION**Applicant: Joseph Glenmullen, Manager of Fayerweather Street, LLCPresent Use/Occupancy: 2 familyLocation: 27 Fayerweather St., Cambridge, MAZone: Residence A-1 Zone

Phone: 617.492.4100

Requested Use/Occupancy: 2 family w/ accessory dwelling unit

		<u>Existing Conditions</u>	<u>Requested Conditions</u>	<u>Ordinance Requirements</u>	
<u>TOTAL GROSS FLOOR AREA:</u>		6,064	7,535	7,554	(max.)
<u>LOT AREA:</u>		15,109	no change	8,000	(min.)
<u>RATIO OF GROSS FLOOR AREA TO LOT AREA:</u> ²		.39	.498	.5	
<u>LOT AREA OF EACH DWELLING UNIT</u>		7,554.5	no change	6,000	
<u>SIZE OF LOT:</u>	WIDTH	91.8	no change	80	
	DEPTH	159.1	no change	N/A	
<u>SETBACKS IN FEET:</u>	FRONT	29.9	29.6	25	
	REAR	71.1	57.9	25	
	LEFT SIDE	46.9	no change	15 (sum of 35)	
	RIGHT SIDE	4.4	no change	15 (sum of 35)	
<u>SIZE OF BUILDING:</u>	HEIGHT	37.6	39.5	35	
	WIDTH	64.4	79.9	N/A	
<u>RATIO OF USABLE OPEN SPACE TO LOT AREA:</u>		55.7	51.5	50	
<u>NO. OF DWELLING UNITS:</u>		2	2 w/ accessory	2	
<u>NO. OF PARKING SPACES:</u>		4	no change	2	
<u>NO. OF LOADING AREAS:</u>		0	no change	N/A	
<u>DISTANCE TO NEAREST BLDG. ON SAME LOT</u>		N/A	N/A	N/A	

Describe where applicable, other occupancies on the same lot, the size of adjacent buildings on same lot, and type of construction proposed, e.g; wood frame, concrete, brick, steel, etc.:

N/A

1. SEE CAMBRIDGE ZONING ORDINANCE ARTICLE 5.000, SECTION 5.30 (DISTRICT OF DIMENSIONAL REGULATIONS).
2. TOTAL GROSS FLOOR AREA (INCLUDING BASEMENT 7'-0" IN HEIGHT AND ATTIC AREAS GREATER THAN 5') DIVIDED BY LOT AREA.
3. OPEN SPACE SHALL NOT INCLUDE PARKING AREAS, WALKWAYS OR DRIVEWAYS AND SHALL HAVE A MINIMUM DIMENSION OF 15'.



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POSTING NOTICE – PICK UP SHEET

The undersigned picked up the notice board for the Board of Zoning Appeals Hearing.

Name: _____

[Handwritten Signature]
(Print)

Date: _____

4/7/22

Address: _____

27 Fayerweather st.

Case No. _____

BZA-165327

Hearing Date: _____

4/28/22

Thank you,
Bza Members

To the City of Cambridge:

As a neighbor of 27 Fayerweather Street, I support the plans for renovating the property including the additions to the main house and the Queen Anne style designs for the garage and carriage house that echo the main house's architecture. I have no objections and support the plans.

Frances Frei

Sign name

FRANCES FREI

Print name

22 FAYERWEATHER ST CAMBRIDGE, MA 02138

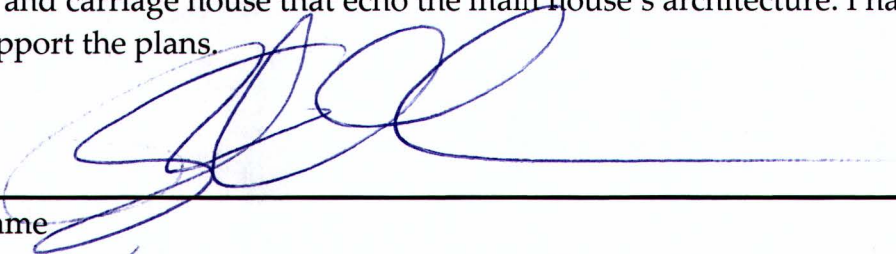
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Sign name

SHARMEN A. TSHULER

Print name

15 FAYERWEATHER ST.

Address

APRIL 10, 2022

Date

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Sign name

Amanda J Gruber

Print name

37 Fayerweather St

Address

4/5/22

Date

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Sign name

VARTAN KESHISHIAN

Print name

28 Fayerweather St.

Address

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Date

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Sign name

Anne Morris

Print name

22 Fayerweather Street Cambridge MA

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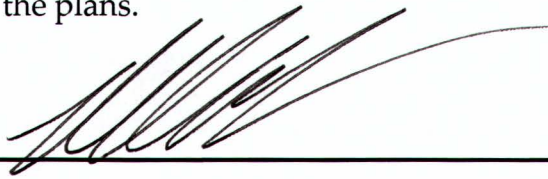
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Sign name

Robert Crowley

Print name

67 Lakeview Ave

Address

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Date

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Weiliang Shi

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WEILIANG SHI

Print name

77 Lakewood Ave, Cambridge MA 02138

Address

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Date

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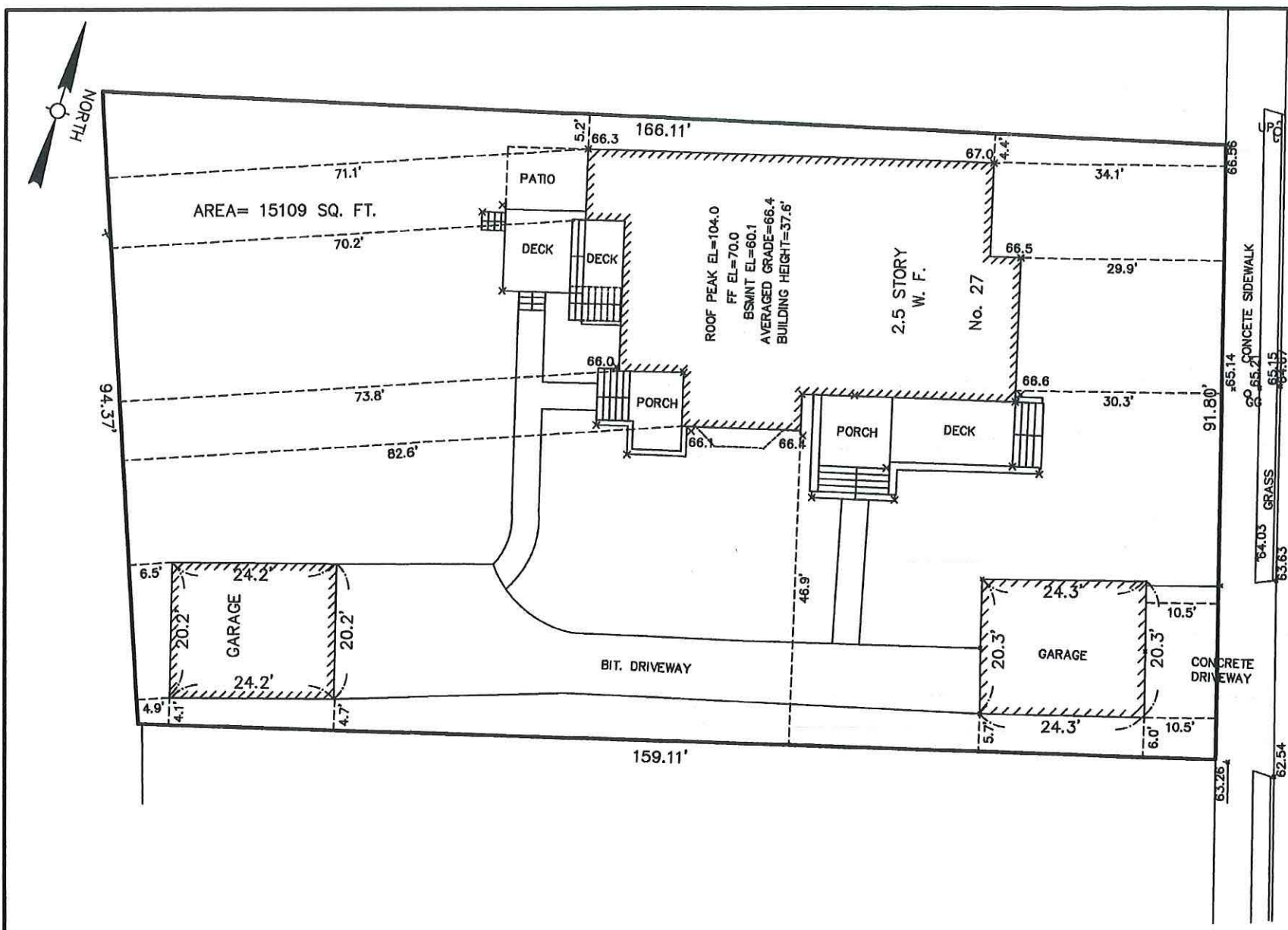
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Leah Foley
Sign name

Leah Foley
Print name

35 Lakeview Ave, Cambridge
Address

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Date



AVERAGED GRADE = $\frac{67.0+66.5+66.6+66.4+66.1+66.0+66.3}{7} = 66.4$

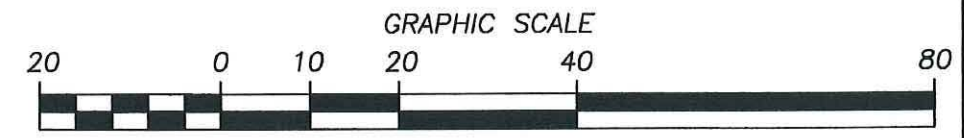
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27 FAYERWEATHER STREET
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Antoni Szerszunowicz

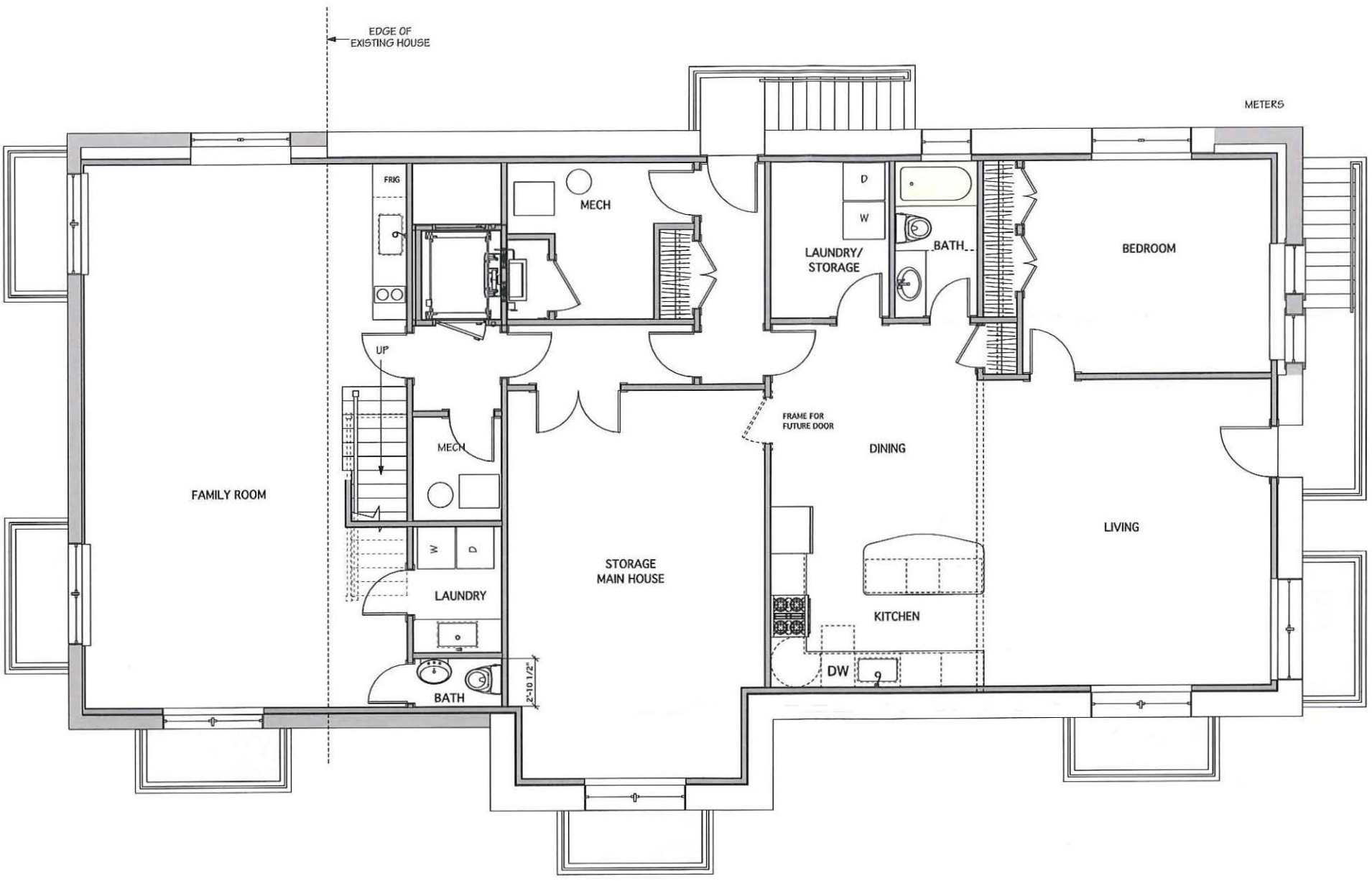
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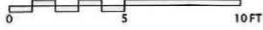
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BASEMENT PLAN



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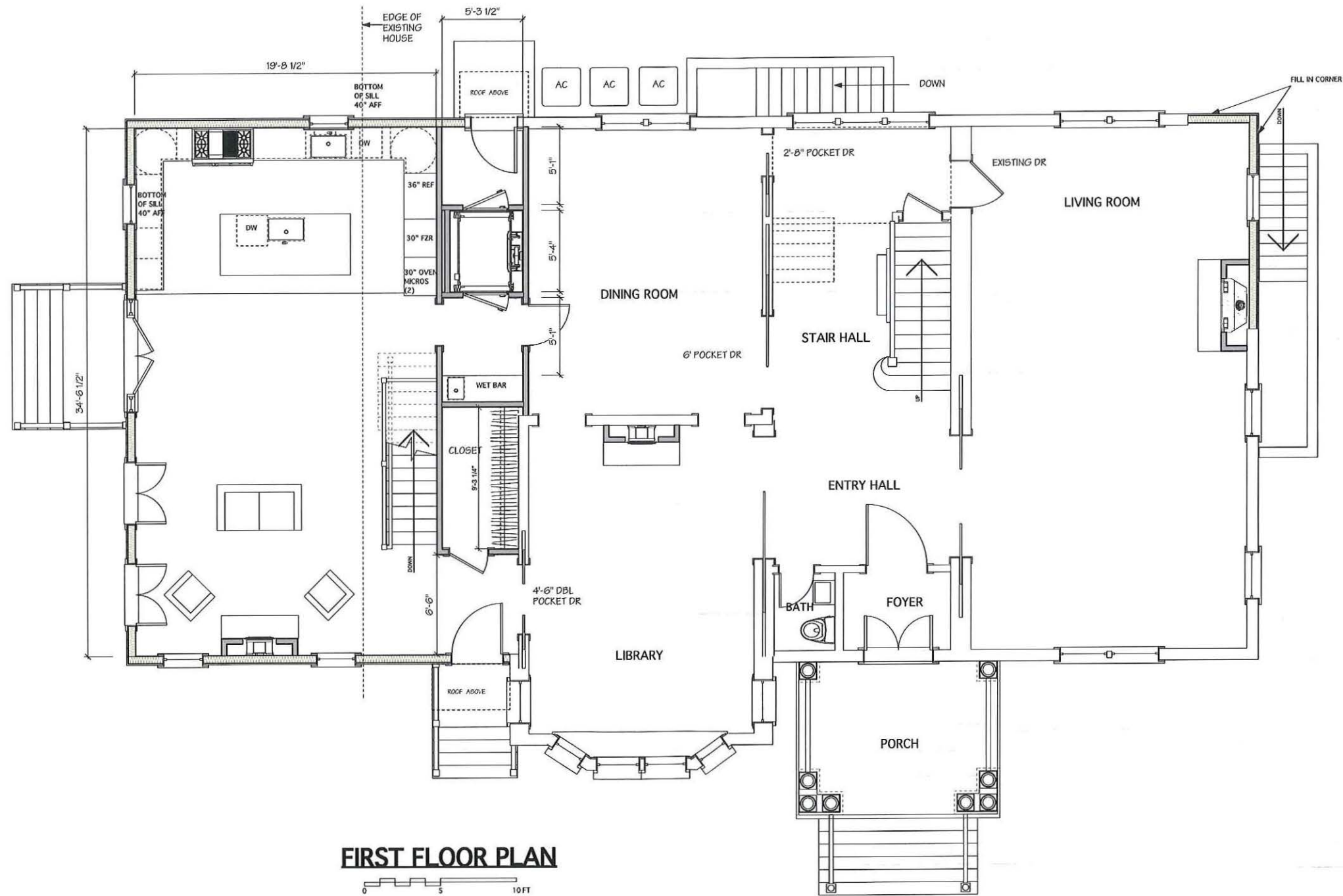
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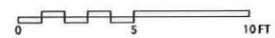
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FIRST FLOOR PLAN



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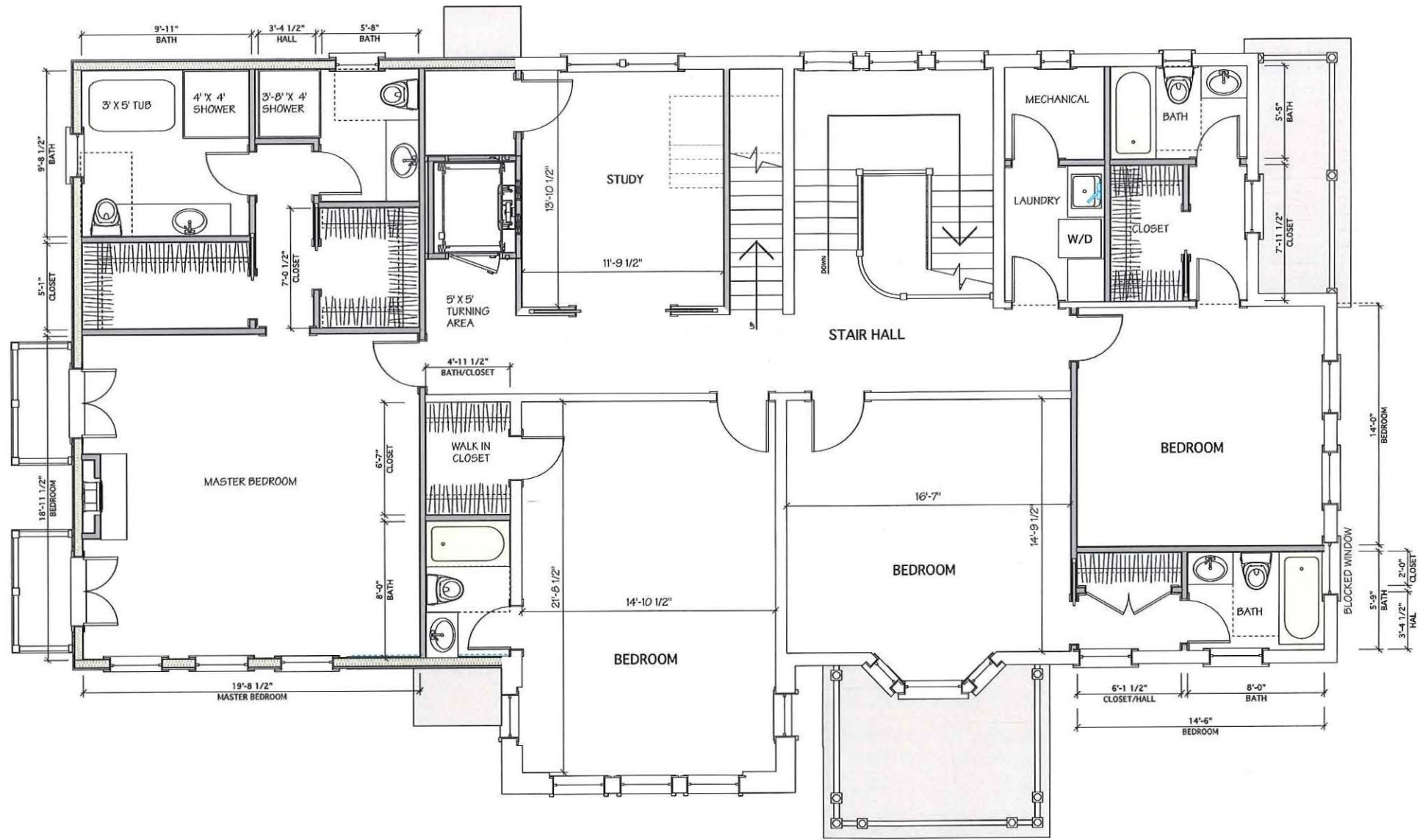
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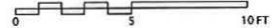
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SECOND FLOOR PLAN



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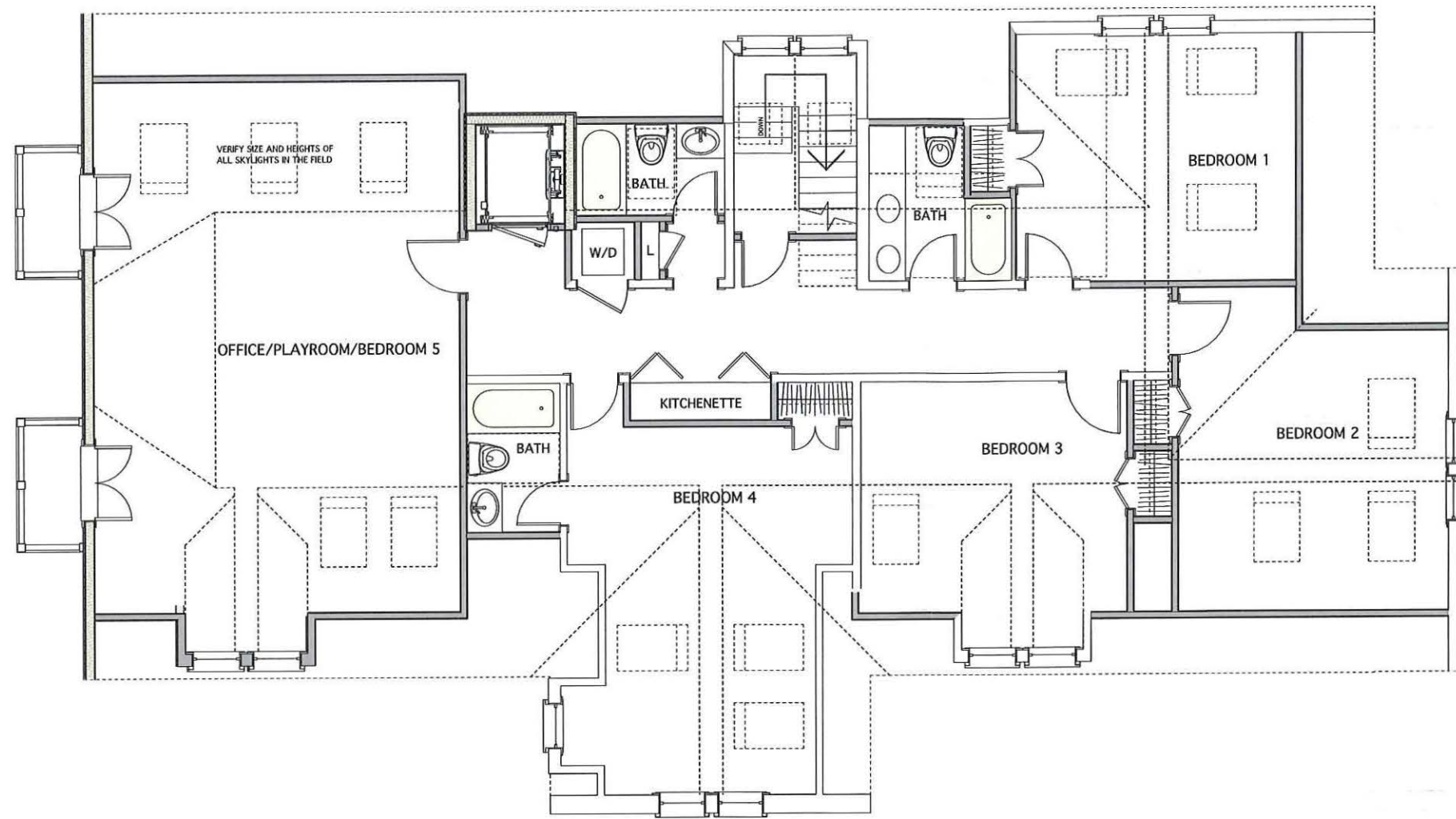
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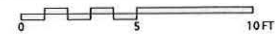
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TOP FLOOR PLAN



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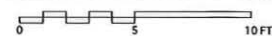
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FRONT ELEVATION



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FRONT ELEVATION
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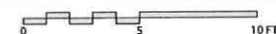
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RIGHT SIDE ELEVATION



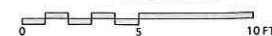
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REAR ELEVATION



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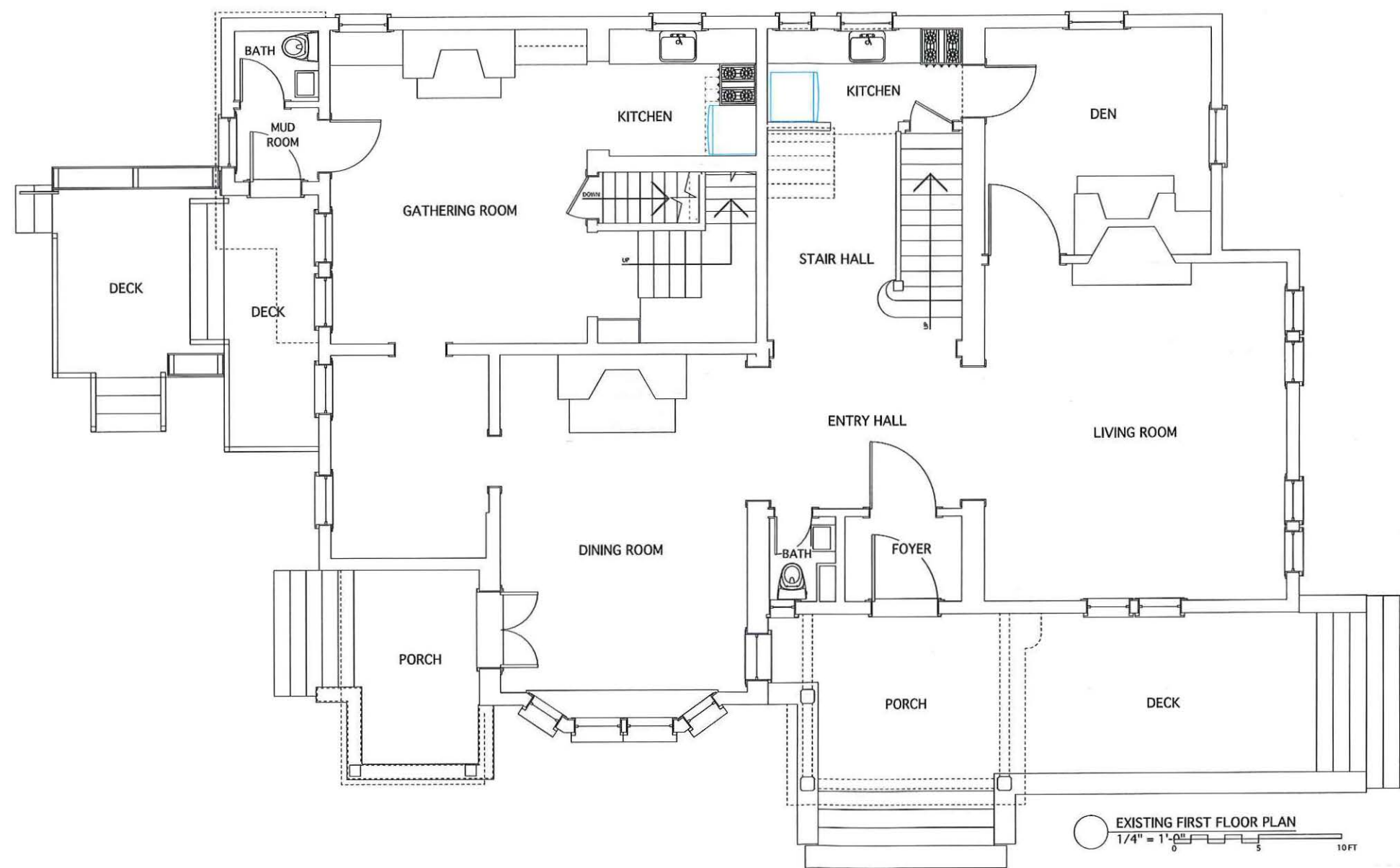
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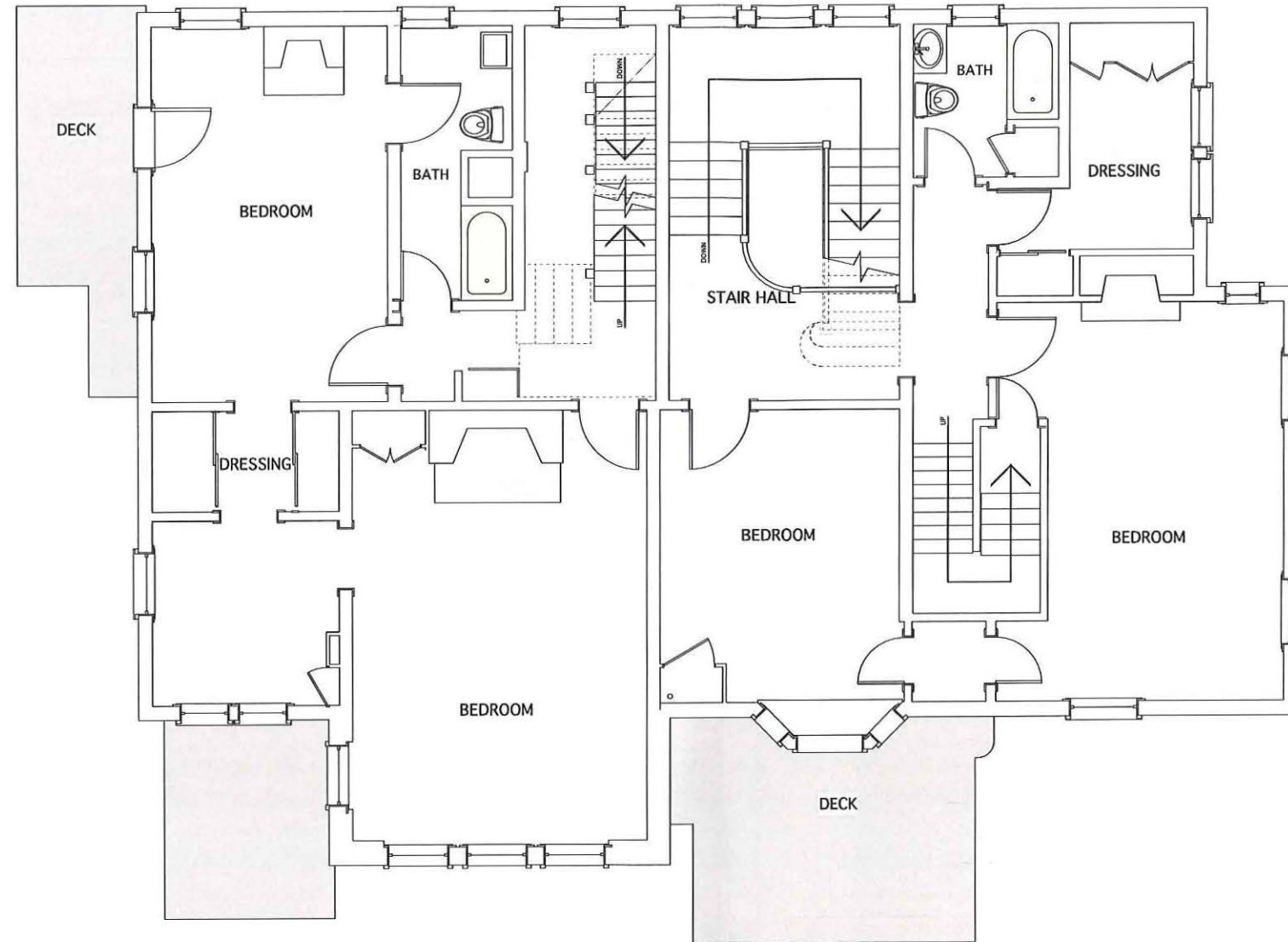
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FIRST FL X
 FIRST FLOOR PLAN

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EXISTING SECOND FLOOR PLAN
1/4" = 1'-0"

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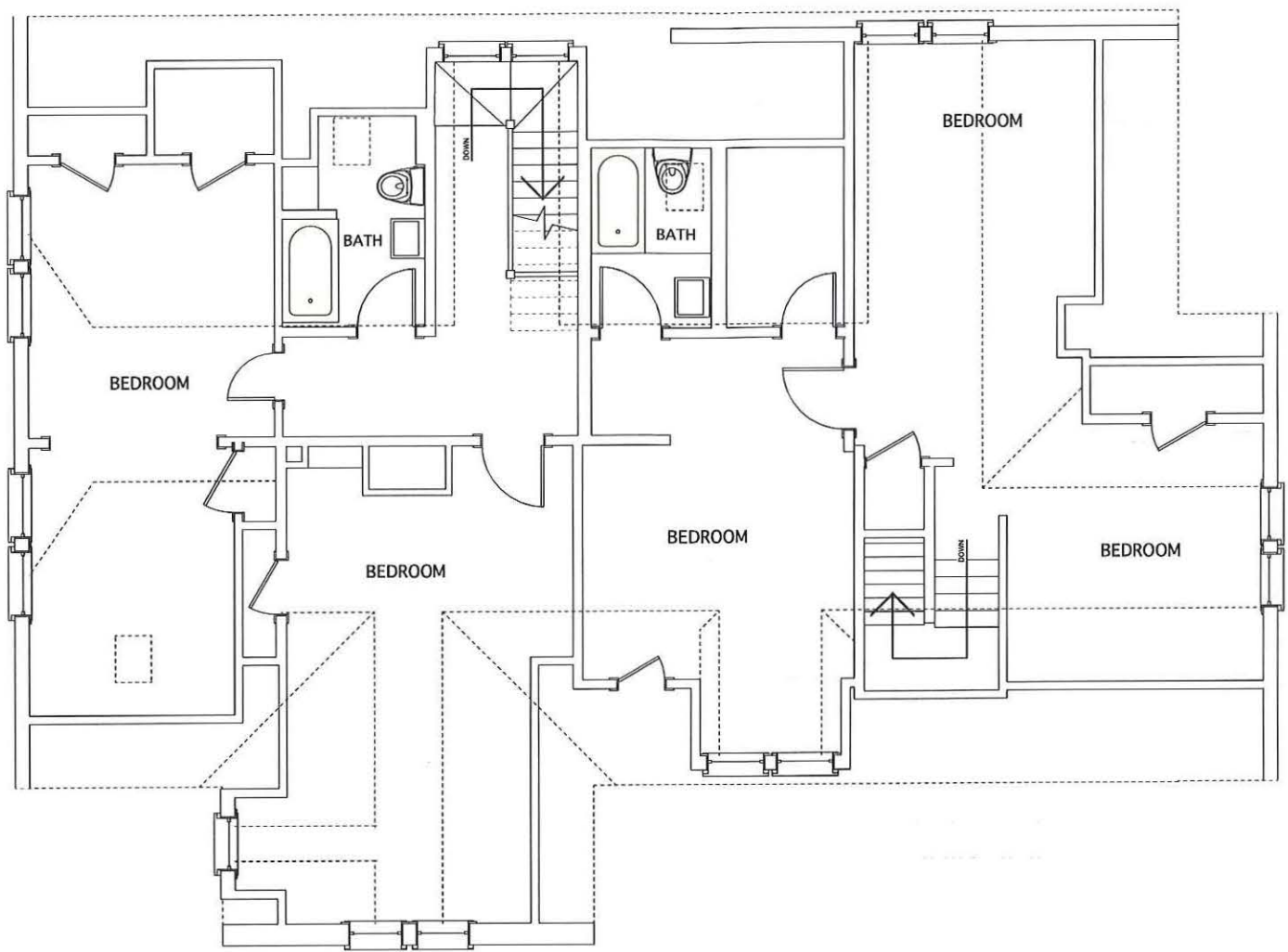
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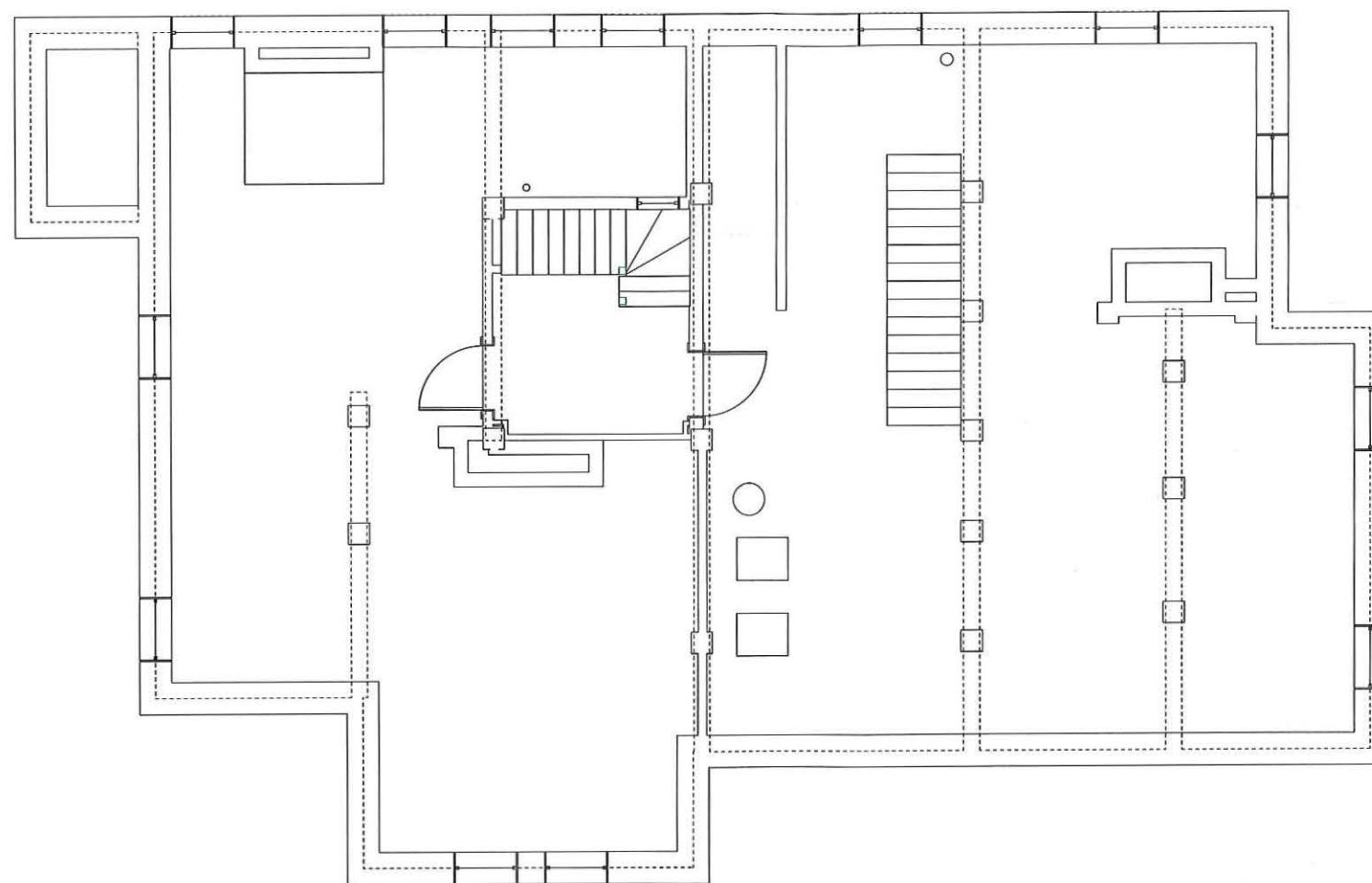
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TOP FL X
 THIRD FLOOR PLAN

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BASEMENT X
 BASEMENT PLAN

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EXISTING RIGHT SIDE ELEVATION
3/16" = 1' 0" 10 FT



EXISTING REAR ELEVATION
3/16" = 1' 0" 10 FT



EXISTING LEFT SIDE ELEVATION
3/16" = 1' 0" 10 FT



EXISTING FRONT ELEVATION
3/16" = 1' 0" 10 FT

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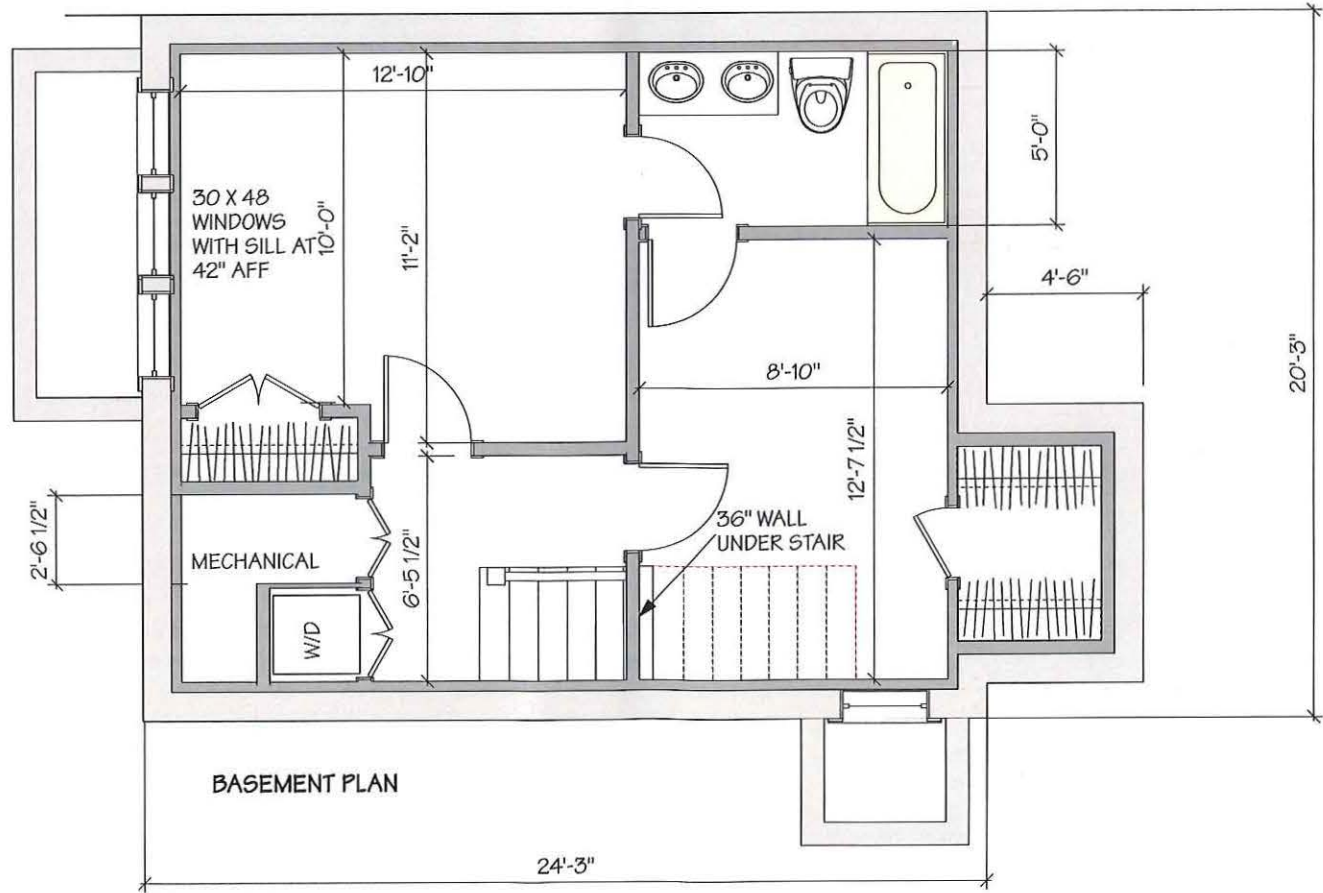
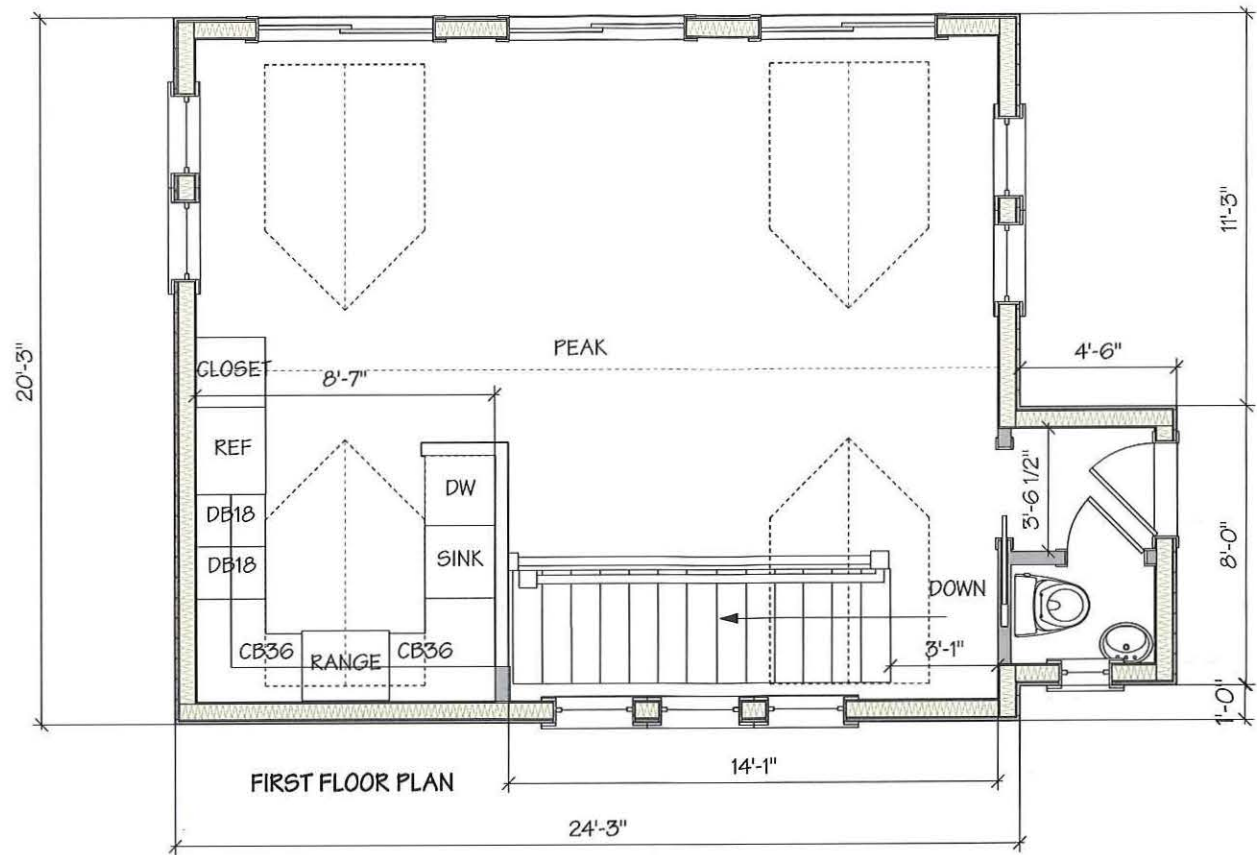
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ELEVATIONS X
ELEVATIONS

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CARRIAGE HOUSE

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WEST ELEVATION



EAST ELEVATION



SOUTH ELEVATION



NORTH ELEVATION

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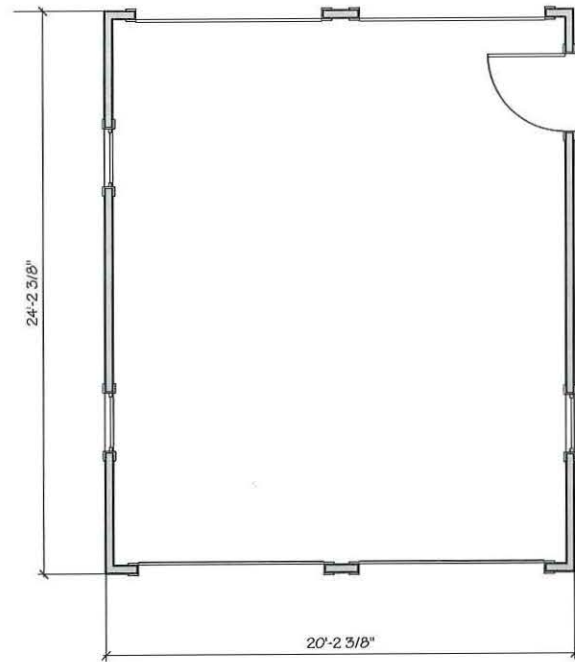
CARRIAGE HOUSE

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GARAGE REAR



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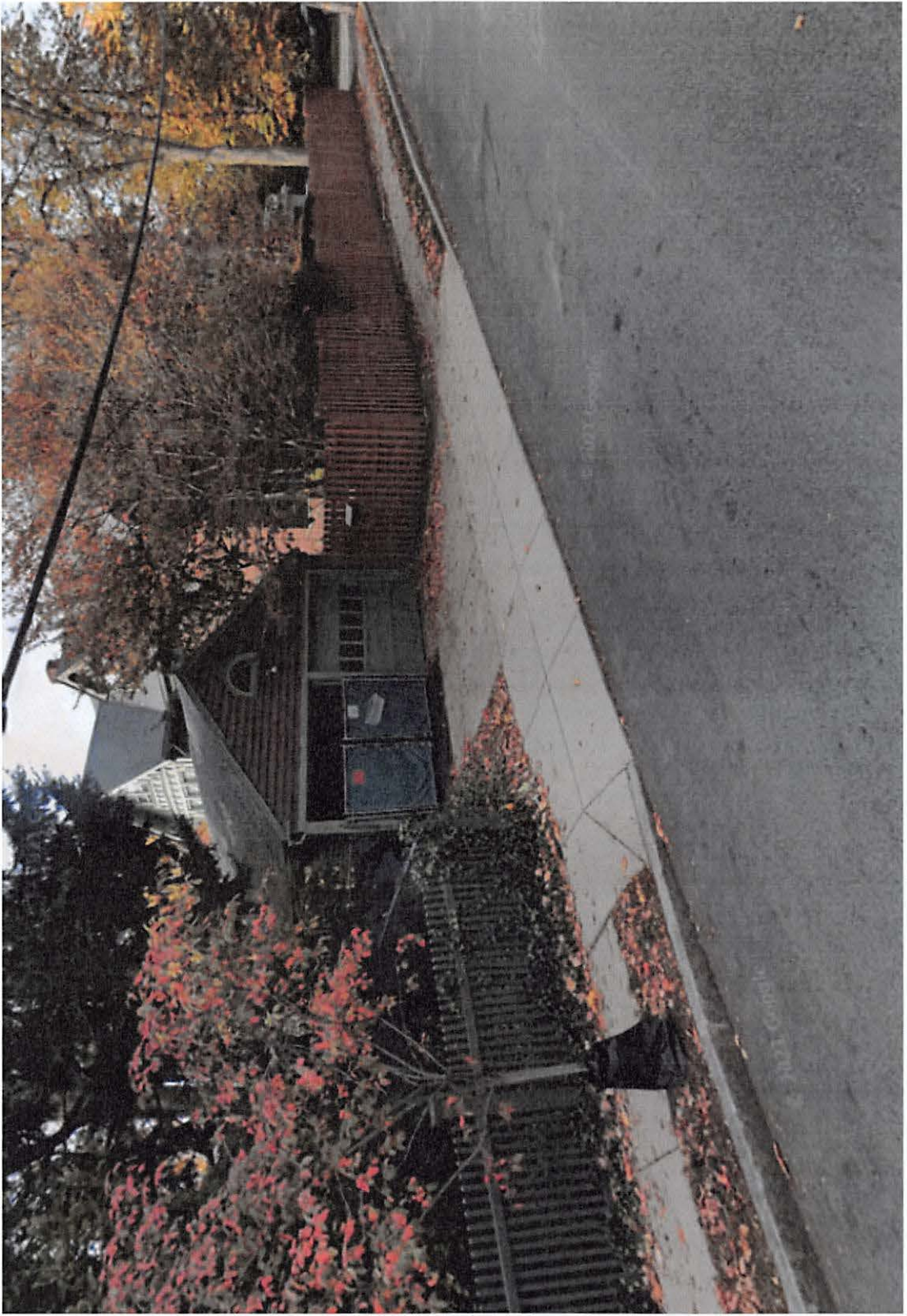
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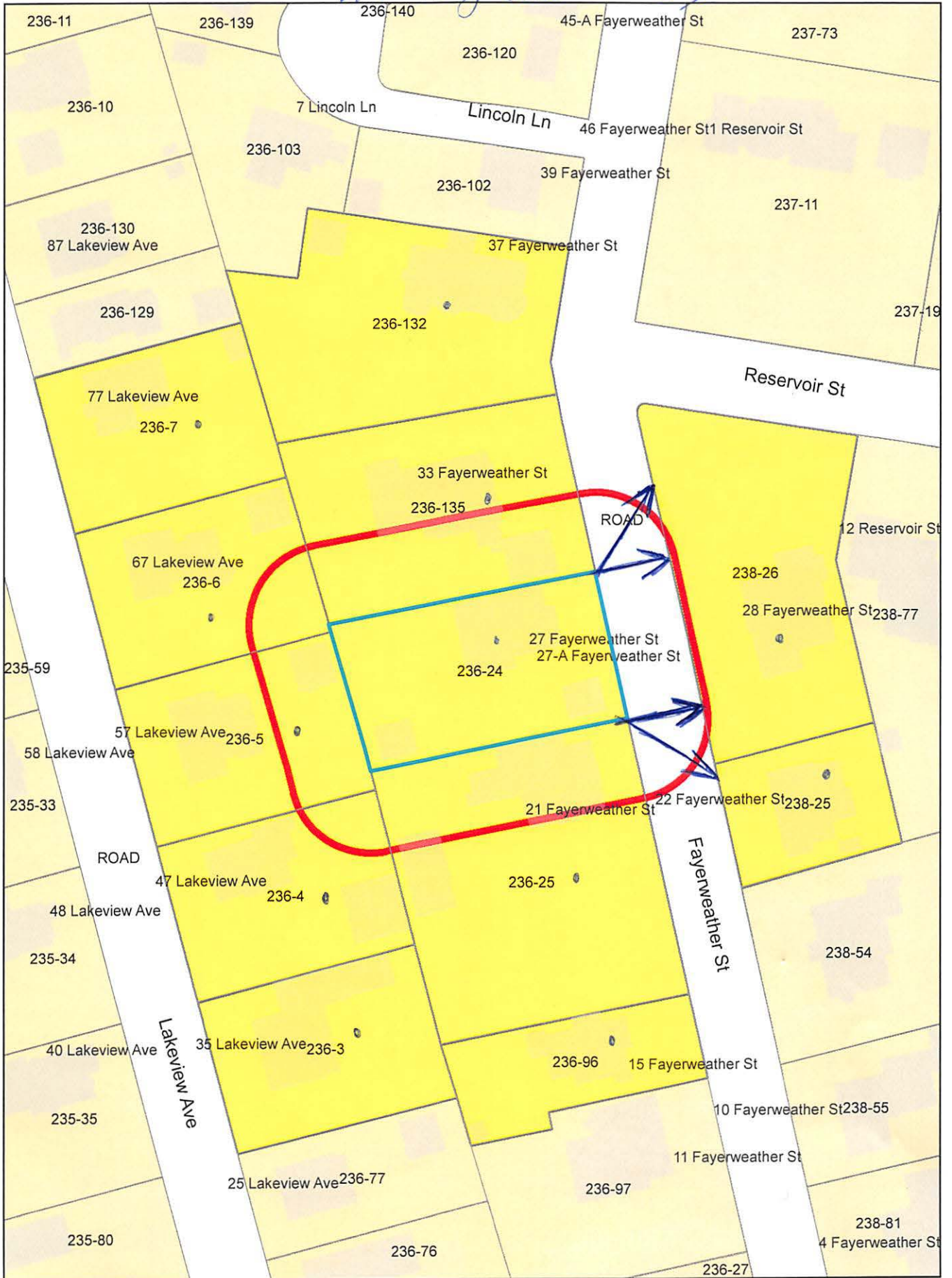
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EMBRY, BRUCE J.,
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31-33 FAYERWEATHER ST, UNITB
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KESHISHIAN, VARTAN &
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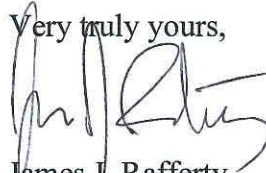
RE: 27 Fayerweather Street
BZA Case No. 165327

Dear Ms. Pacheco:

Delivered herewith, please find an amended plan set for the above-captioned application. In response to concerns expressed by neighbors, the applicant has decided not to pursue the portion of their application that seeks a Variance for increased height in the accessory garage and carriage house.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Very truly yours,



James J. Rafferty

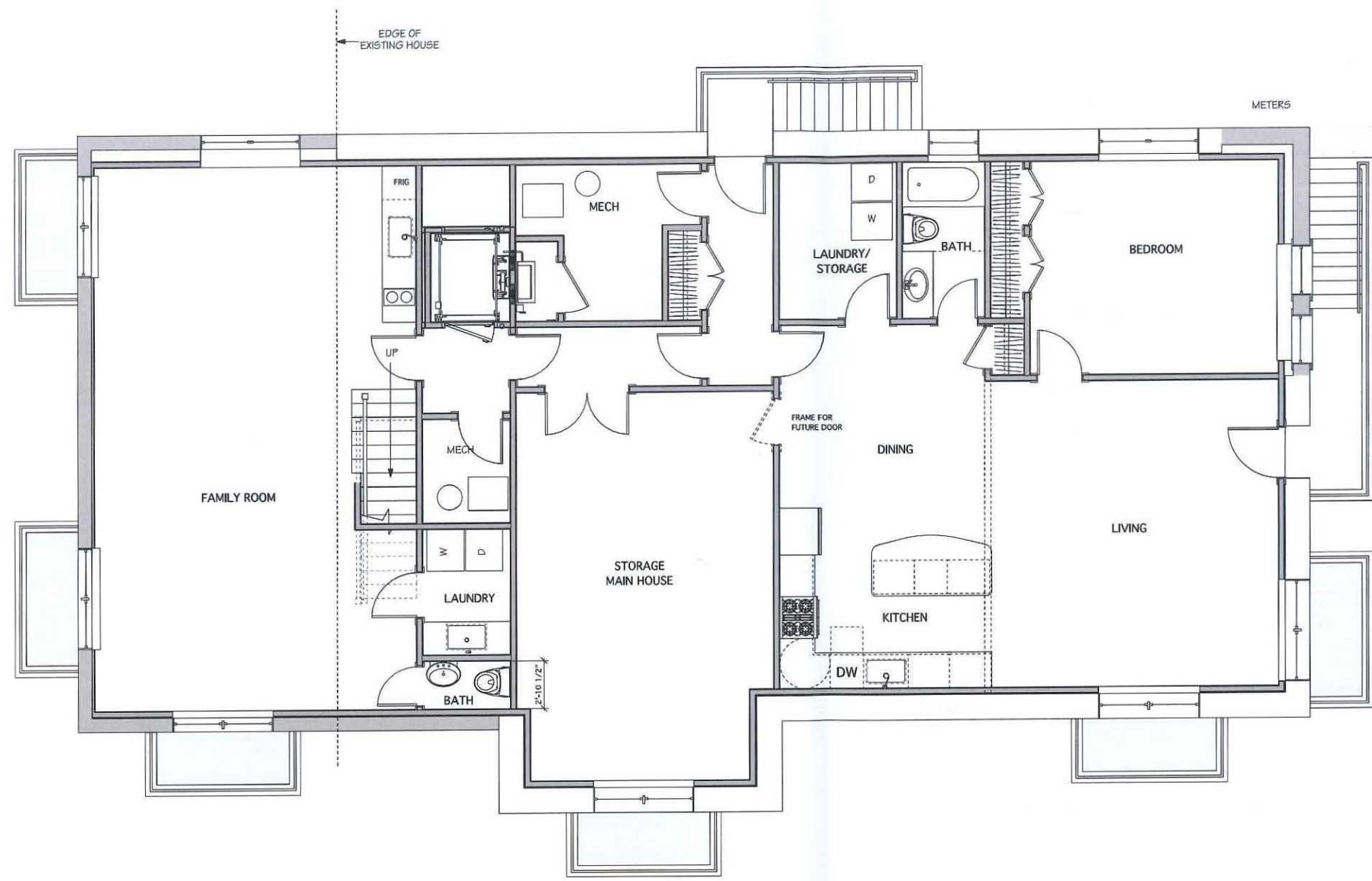
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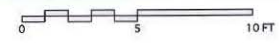
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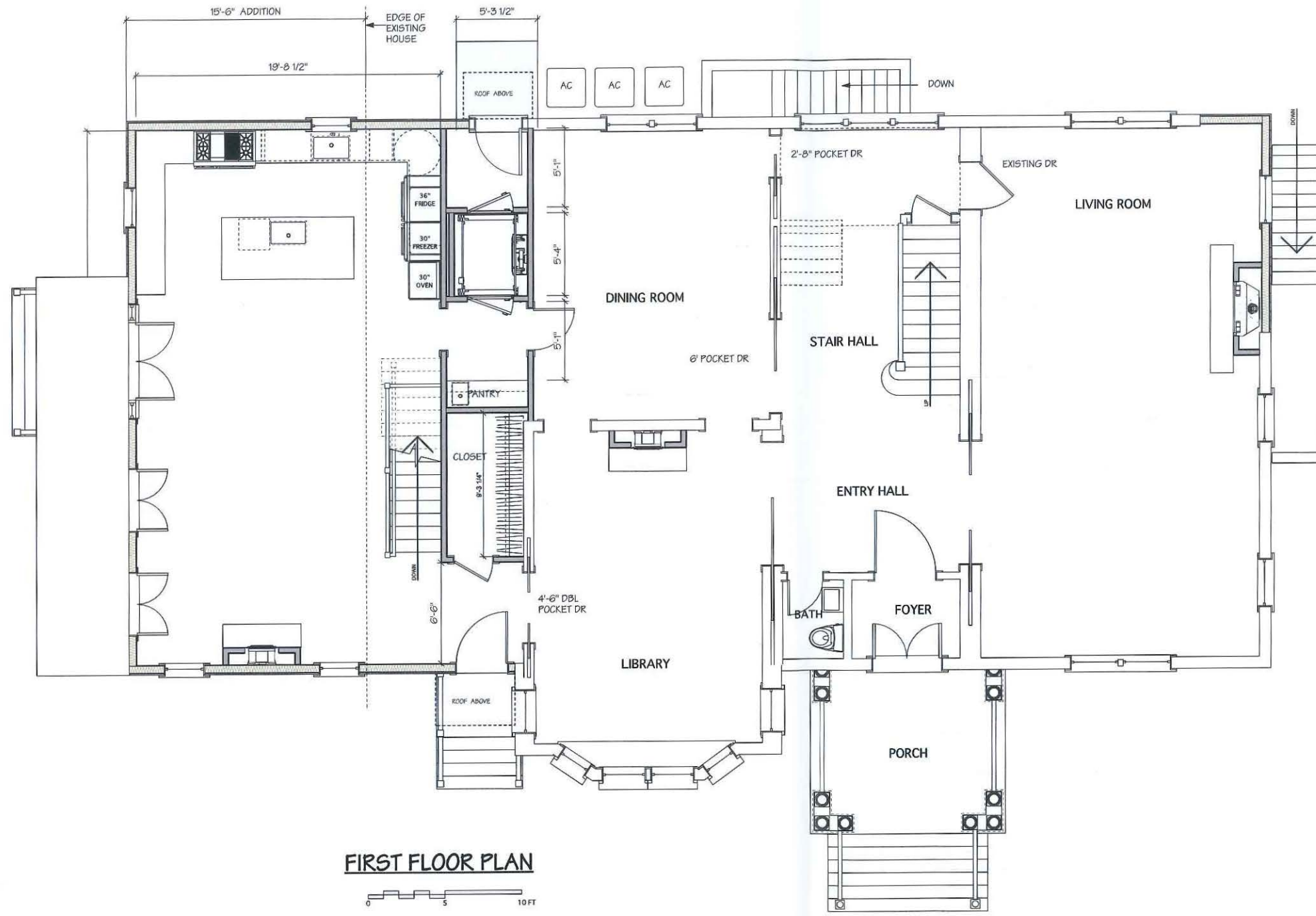
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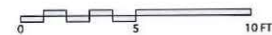
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FIRST FLOOR PLAN



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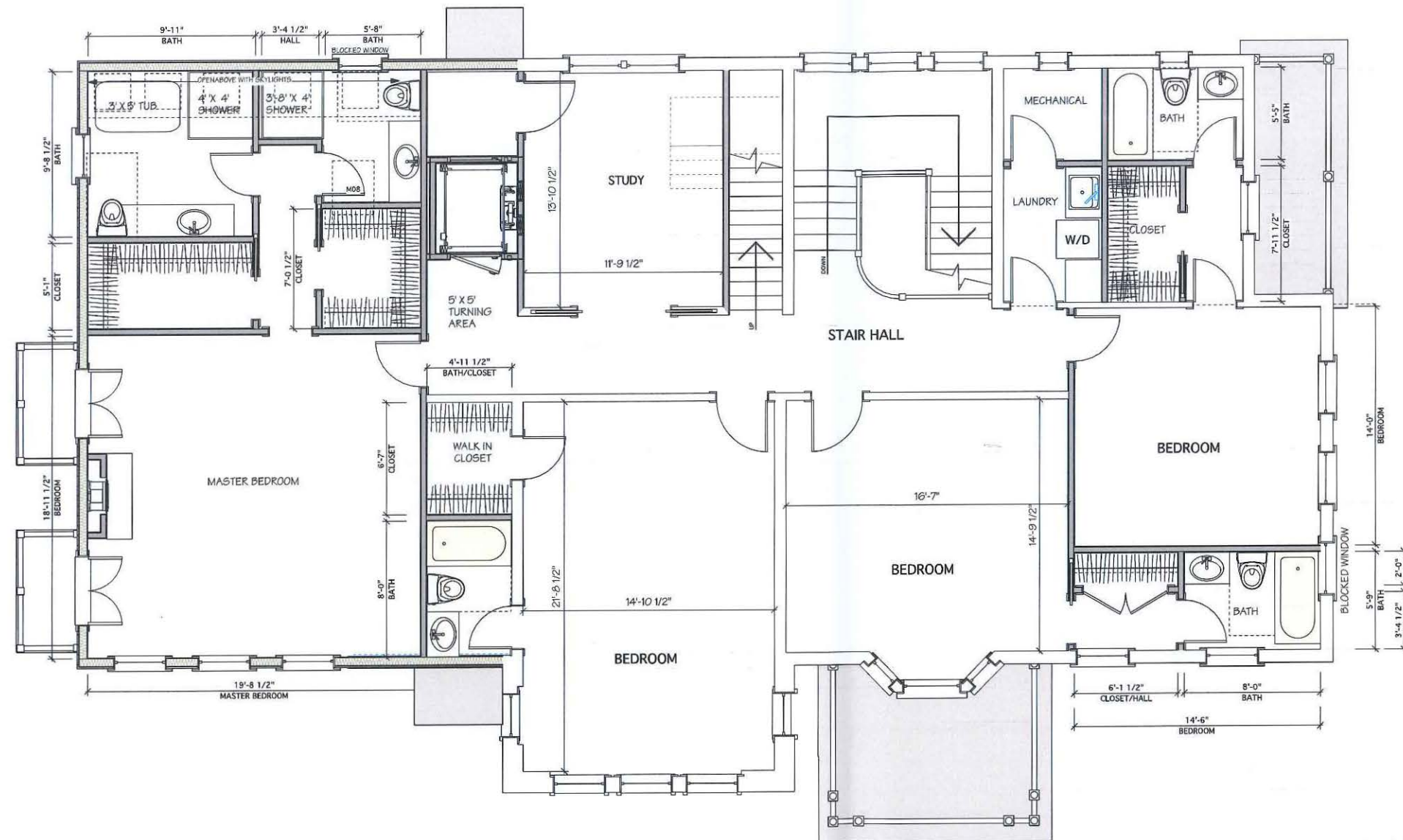
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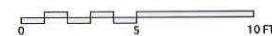
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SECOND FLOOR PLAN



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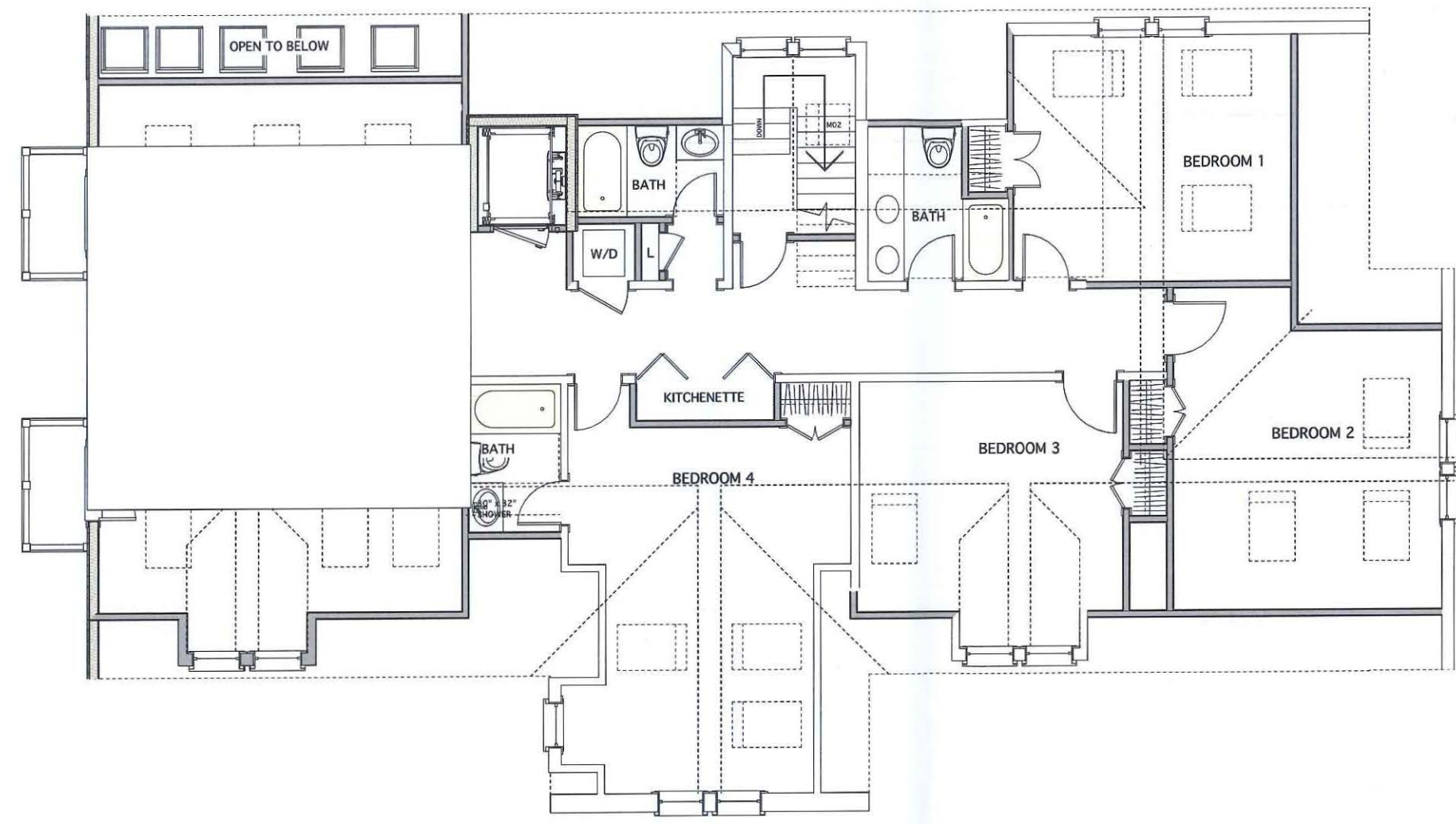
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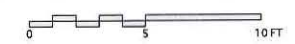
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TOP FLOOR PLAN



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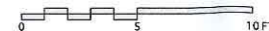
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LEFT SIDE ELEVATION (SOUTH)



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FRONT EL

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REAR ELEVATION (WEST)



FRONT ELEVATION (EAST)

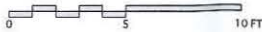
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RIGHT SIDE ELEVATION (NORTH)



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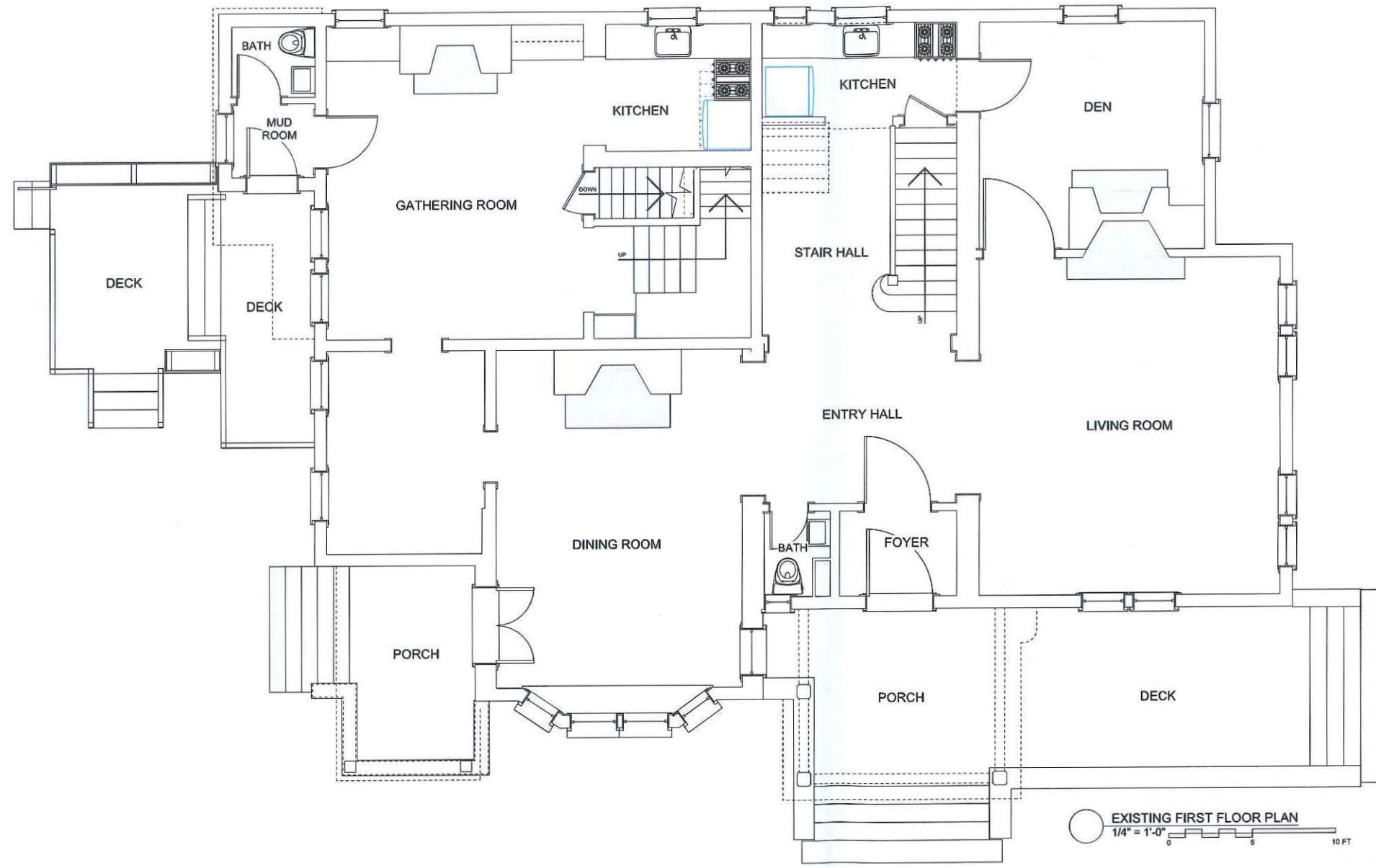
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REAR EL SKYLIGHTS
 BLOCKED WINDOWS

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EXISTING FIRST FLOOR PLAN
1/4" = 1'-0"
0 5 10 FT

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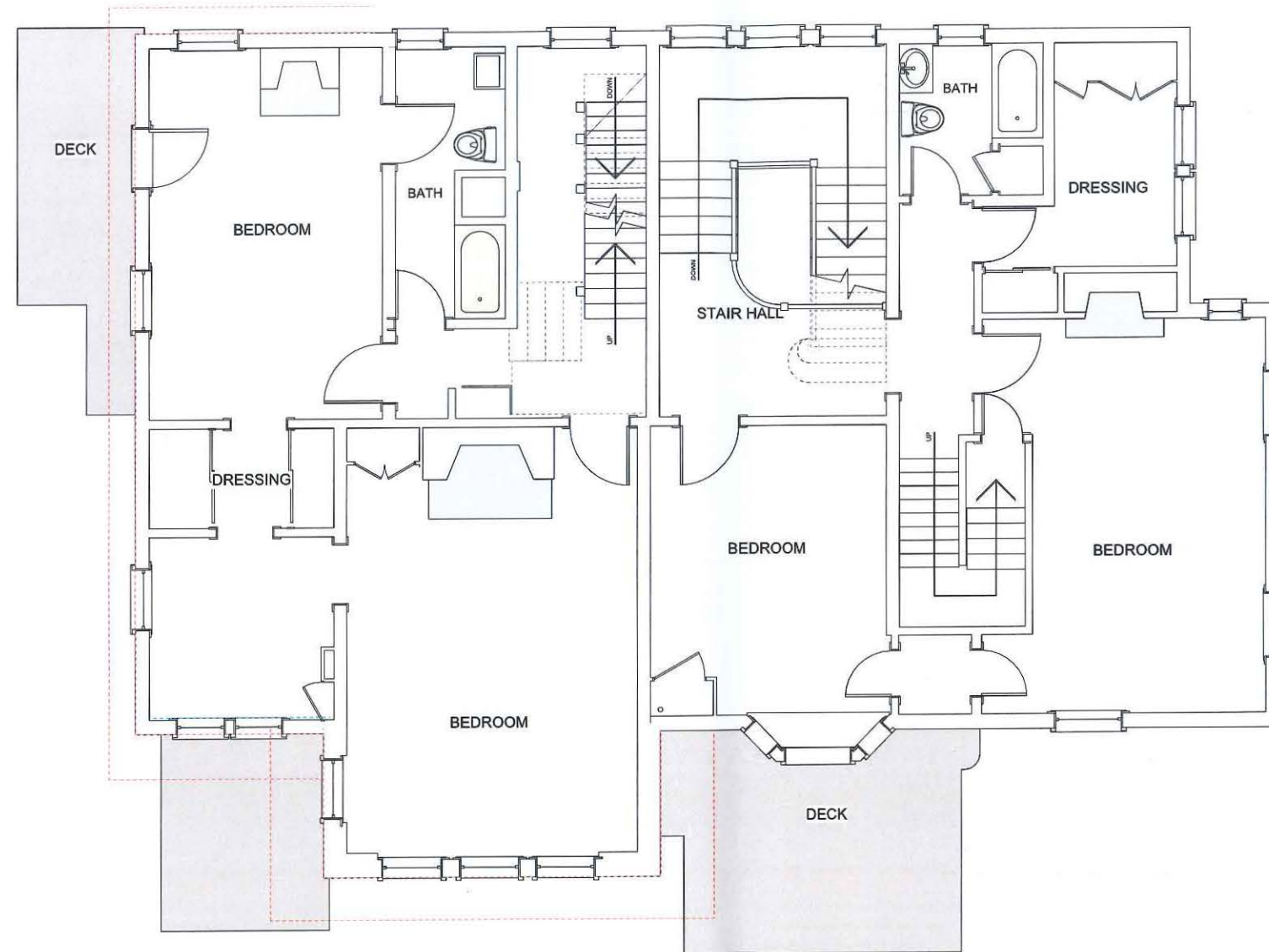
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EXISTING FIRST FLOOR PLAN
FIRST FLOOR PLAN

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EXISTING SECOND FLOOR PLAN
 1/4" = 1'-0" 0 5 10 FT

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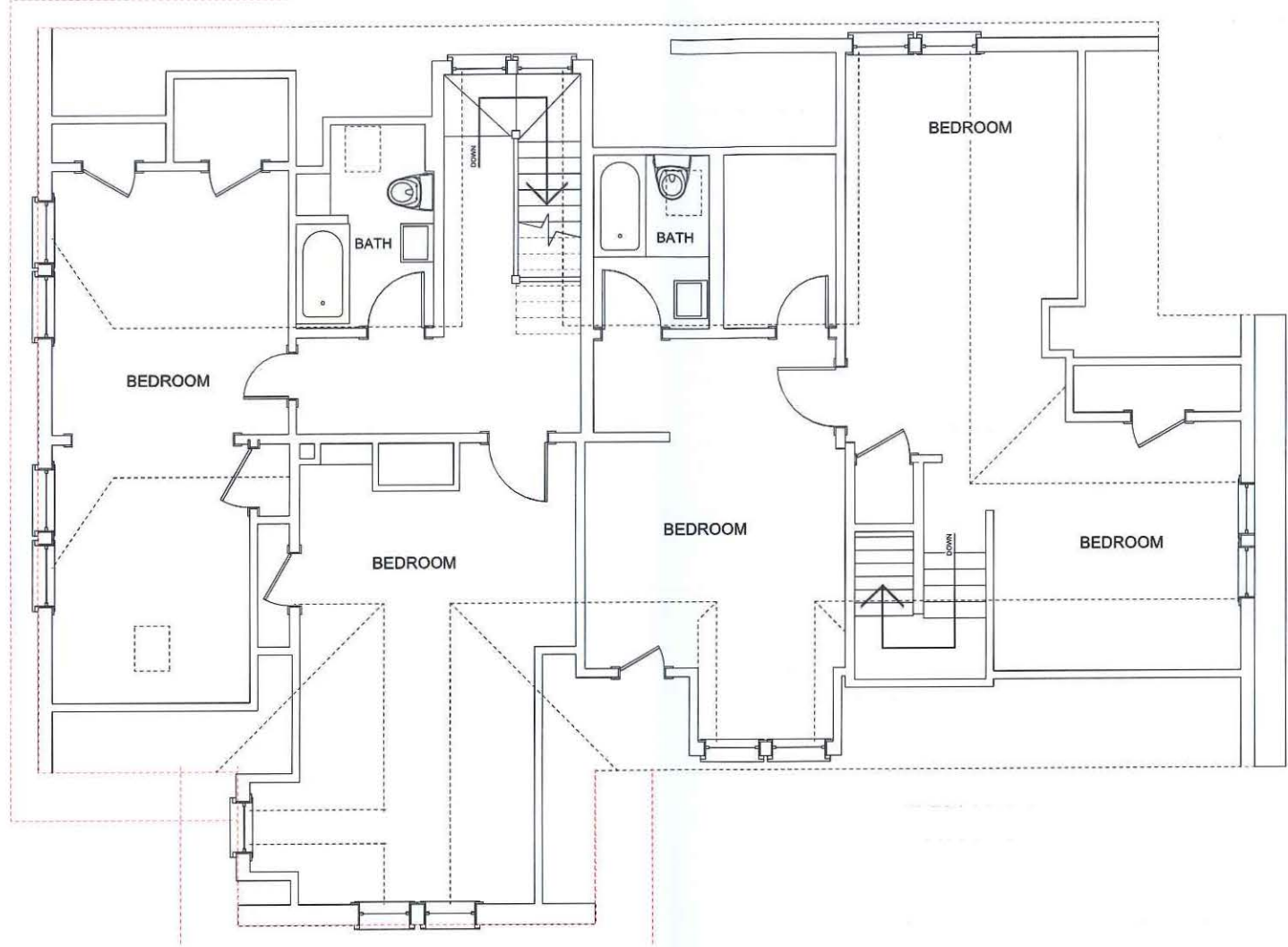
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EXISTING THIRD FLOOR PLAN
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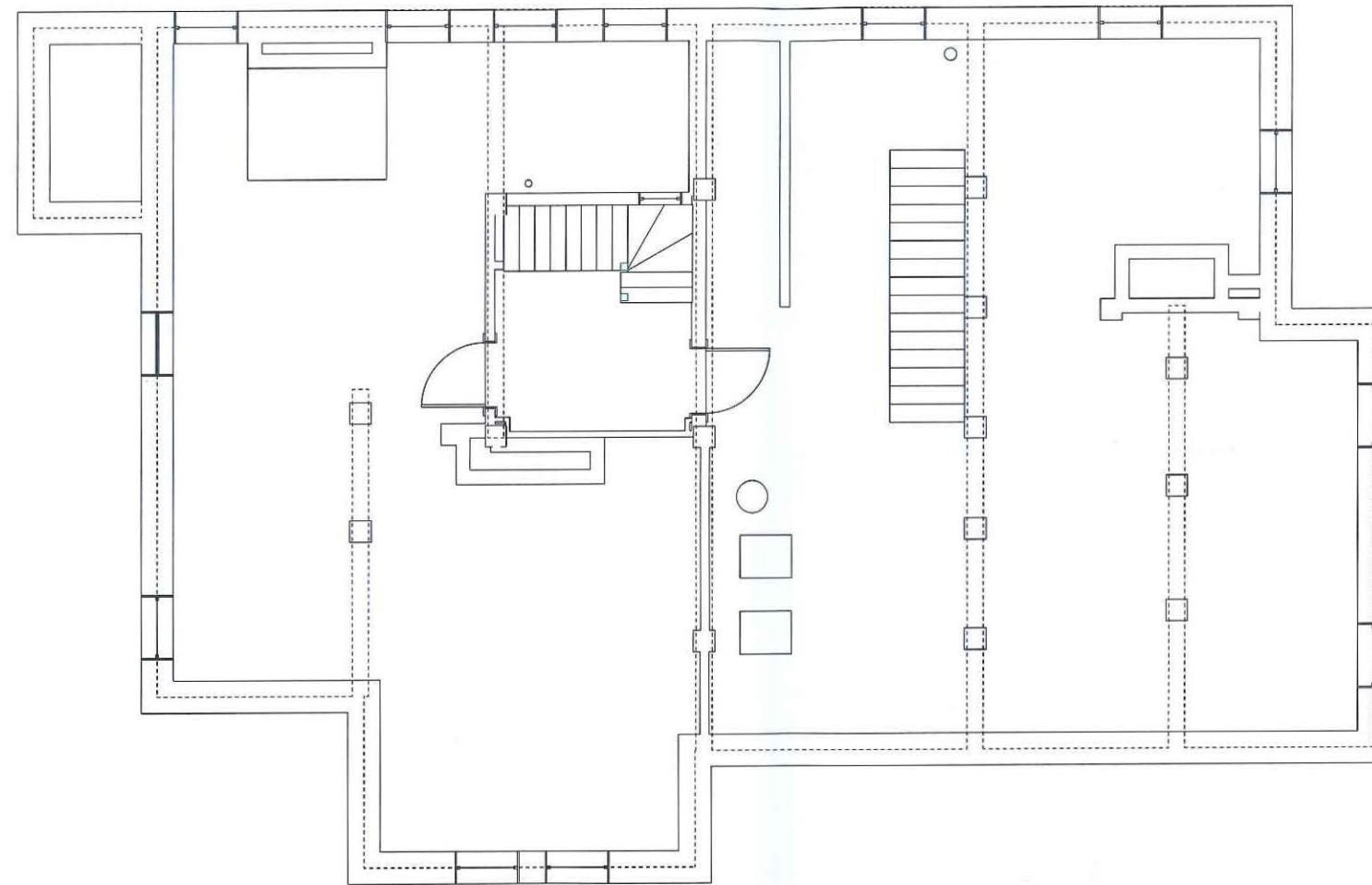
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EXISTING BASEMENT PLAN
 1/4" = 1'-0" 10 FT

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EXISTING BASEMENT PLAN
 BASEMENT PLAN

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EXISTING FRONT ELEVATION (EAST)
3/16" = 1'-0"
0 5 10 FT



EXISTING RIGHT SIDE ELEVATION (NORTH)
3/16" = 1'-0"
0 5 10 FT



EXISTING REAR ELEVATION (WEST)
3/16" = 1'-0"
0 5 10 FT



EXISTING LEFT SIDE ELEVATION (SOUTH)
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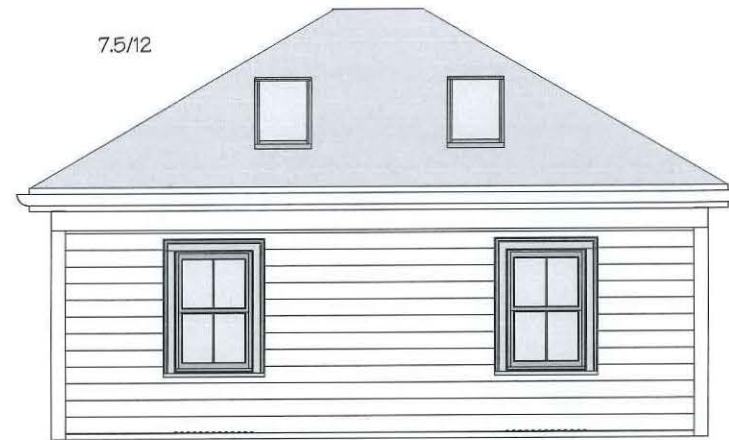
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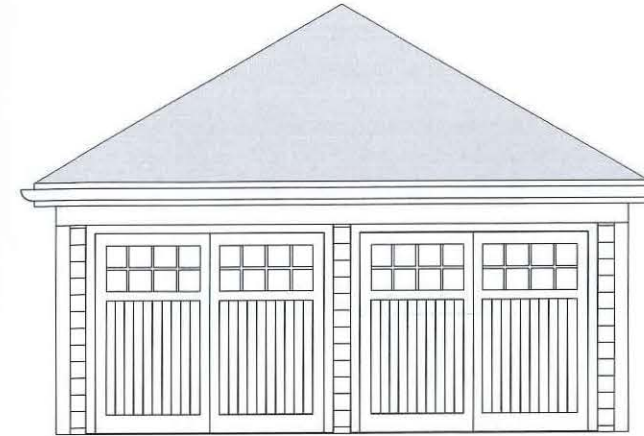
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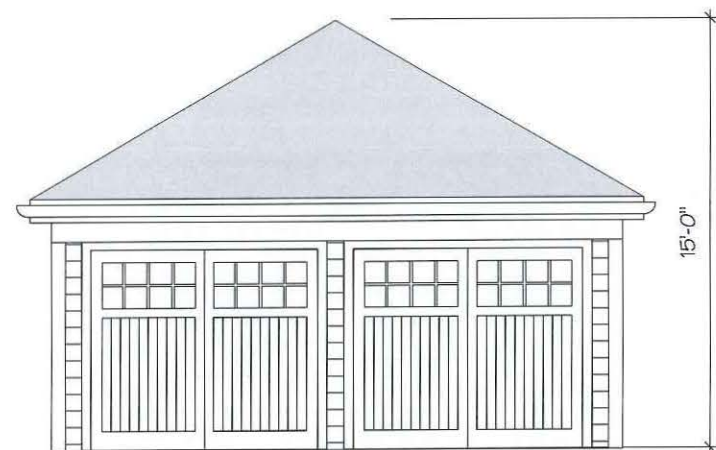
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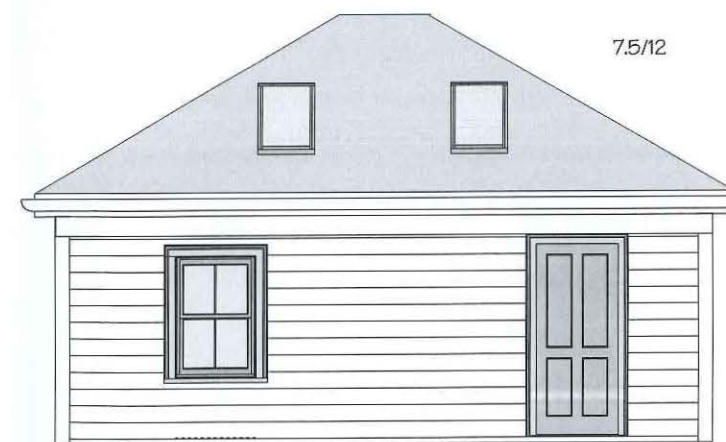
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REAR - WEST SIDE ELEVATION



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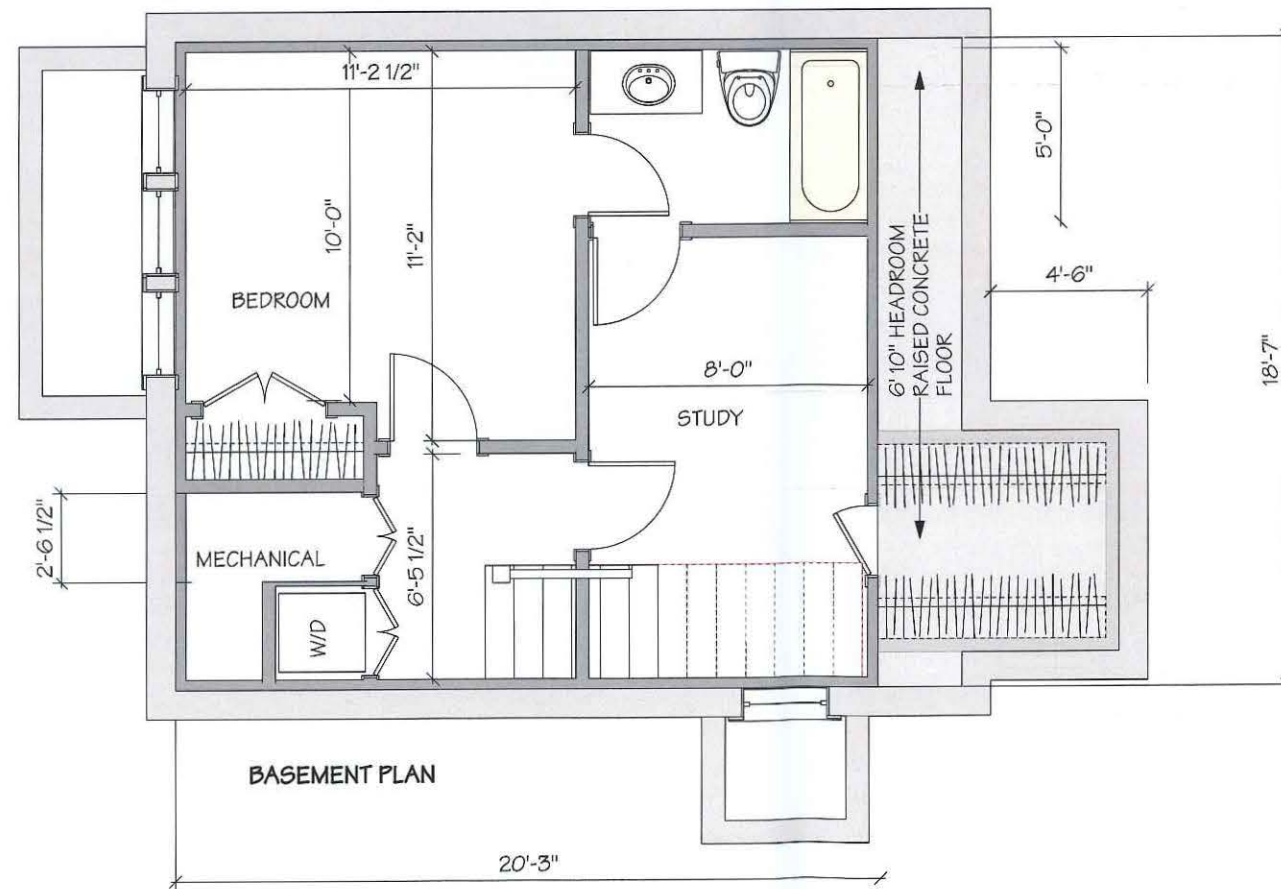
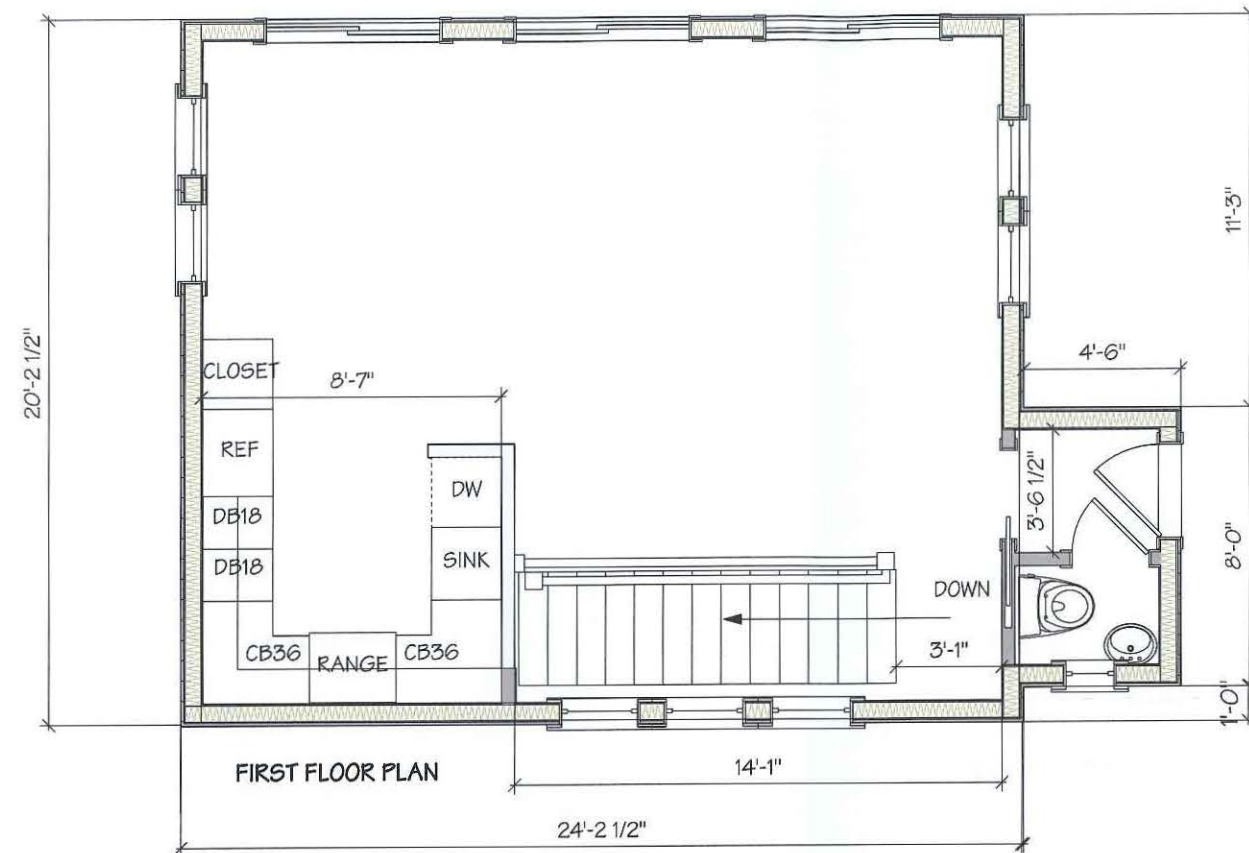
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GARAGE 15' PEAK

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FIRST FLOOR FA: 525 SF
BASEMENT FA: 375 SF
TOTAL FA: 900SF

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CARRIAGE HOUSE PLAN B 900SF

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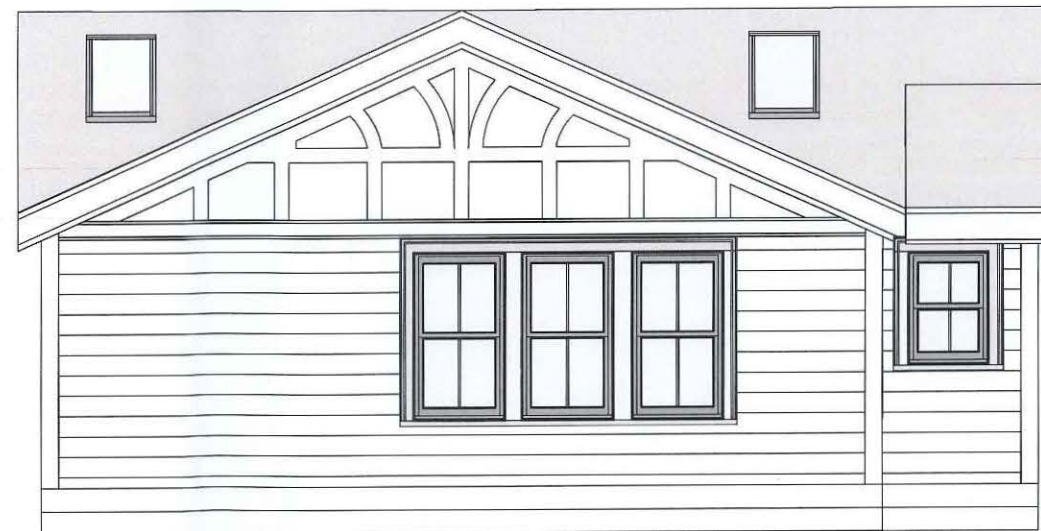
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2	4/18/22	15' PEAK
3	4/19/22	15' PEAK WITH GABLES
4	4/20/22	15' PEAK WITH GABLES

CARRIAGE HOUSE GABLES
15' ELS. ALT.

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Pacheco, Maria

From: Ken Froot <kfroot@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, April 24, 2022 5:26 PM
To: Pacheco, Maria
Subject: Hearing for 27 Faywerweather St Cambridge, April 28
Attachments: 27 fayerweather Froot letter to Glenmullen.pdf

Dear Ms. Pacheco,

I am attaching an April 14th letter i wrote to Dr Glenmullen and his attorney concerning his plans to renovate the above property, to which i'm a North-boundary abutter at 33 Fayerweather.

I would like the letter to be submitted into the public record for this meeting. Dr. Glenmullen has not responded to my concerns and so i would like them aired and debated at the meeting. I do feel strongly about reducing considerably the massive size and height of the western extension of the main house along the north boundary at extremely close setbacks. This is already a large house and property and i've suggested ways to ensure it can be even bigger while ameliorating my concerns.

I will be in the middle east on the 28th, so the meeting is at 3:30am local time for me - i don't know for sure i will be able to attend altho i hope to. Is there anyway to know exactly when this property is discussed (so i don't have to be awake thru most of the hours i have to sleep)? I would greatly appreciate some pre-set time, or perhaps a phone call when the discussion of this property begins. Is that at all possible? I'm sorry but i've had this trip planned for a long time.

All the best,

Ken Froot

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April 14, 2022
Dr. Joseph Glenmullen
1770 Massachusetts Ave.
Suite 263
Cambridge, MA 02140

Dear Dr. Glenmullen,

Appreciate your for sharing the plans for 27 Fayerweather. I can certainly be supportive of improvements to the property. My reservations with your plans are, for the main house, the large cubic footage being added to the West at several stories in height and at a distance of under 6' from the northern side setback. Given the extreme non-conformity of this setback (and indeed of all the setbacks on this lot, which are very aggressive), such a massive and tall structure would seem to be detrimental to the neighborhood (the test for Section 8.22 approvals) and to sunlight for your neighbors to the north at 31 and 33 Fayerweather. If this could be reduced to a single story, keeping the great room you have in the plans, it would bring in a lot of light and additional living space. Indeed, if you were to go this route, I, for one, would be open to a proposal that added more horizontal single-story space, providing an even greater great room. For the rear garage, an additional story, obtained by requesting a variance, seems unnecessary; I'd like to understand the hardships involved with not granting it (Section 10.31).

I would appreciate electronic communications as I will be travelling until the meeting and won't have access to US mail. I understand you won't be able to provide this yourself, but I imagine that your attorney, James Rafferty, could, and, he, therefore is cc'ed here

Sincerely,



Ken Froot

Cc: James Rafferty, jrafferty@adamsrafferty.com;
Eric Nelson, enelson@fas.harvard.edu

April 25, 2022

Cambridge Board of Zoning Appeals

Re: Case Number BZA-165327

To Whom It May Concern:

While we support the overall vision and spirit of the proposed renovation of 27 Fayerweather Street, we do have some concerns about specific elements of proposed construction. This letter is an addendum to our previous letter, where we expressed our general support.

Upon further consideration and inspection of the site, we have concerns about the visual impact of increasing the garage heights from 15' to 22,' as well as the additional congestion of putting an accessory dwelling unit in the back garage. Increasing the number of potential households at this increasingly busy intersection – already a congested part of the street – runs the risk of negatively impacting the neighborhood, including shared spaces and sidewalks that our two children regularly use for play and transit.

We certainly welcome the new owners of 27 Fayerweather Street to the neighborhood but urge them to work with the neighbors most impacted by their plans to revise certain elements of their proposed renovations.



Anne Morriss, Owner of 22 Fayerweather Street



Frances Frei, Owner of 22 Fayerweather Street

Pacheco, Maria

From: Bob Hower <bob@g20vc.com>
Sent: Monday, April 25, 2022 2:51 PM
To: Pacheco, Maria; Kira Elizabeth Hower
Subject: Bza 165327

Bob and Kira Hower
47 Lake View Ave
(behind & adjacent to 27 Fayerweather)

Dear Zoning Appeal Board,

Thank you for taking my note into consideration. I am writing to strongly oppose the recent application by Joe Glenmullen to re-develop 27 Fayerweather.

I wish I could feel differently. My perspective on this issue starts with my service on the Cambridge Community Foundation (10 years), living on Lake View Ave for 18 years and living in Cambridge for more than 30 (on Chilton, Sparks & Lexington). I am sympathetic to the challenges that our housing shortage in Cambridge creates and I know that we need creative solutions.

However, the 27 Fayerweather redevelopment proposal which significantly expands an already large, multi-family house *and* replaces the garage and driveway with a new, two-story dwelling five feet from neighbors' private back yards is a bridge too far. I attempted to read and understand the applicable zoning code - boy, you guys have a tough job - all I can say is that I don't see how Joe's proposal could be consistent with the spirit or letter of a code that takes into consideration the impact of a project on its neighbors' properties even a little bit. My opposition is based on concerns not just for me, but for my neighbors and the future residents of the houses adjacent to 27 Fayerweather.

Here's why I am opposed:

1) There's significant underground water flow through the 27 Fayerweather property that creates serious saturation and flooding issues for the properties below 27 Fayerweather, particularly 57 Lake View, but also our property at 47 Lake View. Digging a new foundation for the new dwelling will redirect the water in unpredictable ways that frankly can't be rectified solely on that property. It's unclear what remediation will be needed on our property to address new water issues.

2) A mature stand of 5 mature maple trees (30 years +) sits near the property line just behind the existing garage that will certainly die when a new foundation is dug deep enough to accommodate the basement level of the new dwelling. These trees help alleviate flooding issues by soaking up water and of course they also provide privacy.

It's worth noting what happened to a 50+ year old, 60' beautiful Beech Tree in 2009 that was living next door to us at 35 Lake View. A developer bought the adjacent house at 25 Lake View and installed a new garage foundation 5 feet from the Beech. The Beech was dead in less than 2 years, which was enough time for the developer to flip the house, and move on. I recall that developer saying that he would protect the Beech.

3) Anyone sitting in my back yard or that of 57 Lake View or 21 Fayerweather would immediately see that locating a new rental house at the site of the existing garage at 27 Fayerweather will have a significant impact on all of us (noise, light, odor, etc). Further, it's the totality of the changes and the increase in the intensity of the use of the property that will impact the neighborhood. The plan removes the driveway, thus putting more parking pressure on the street for 3 units and all their guests.

When we bought our house, we could not have anticipated that someone would be able to build three housing units next to us. I realize this is literally a "not in my back yard" plea. I have tried to stay open-minded, given the real housing concerns, but I can't support this project. Enabling people like Joe who pretend not to be developers; who say they "didn't even know the zoning code when they bought the house" and then use veiled threats against neighbors by saying "if I don't get my variance to 22,' I could build a two story structure - by right - with a bigger footprint, and more windows", then we know that the incentives that are in place can lead to abuse, and to unintended consequences that will not address the housing shortage effectively.

I wish I could believe Joe when he says he will protect the stand of trees adjacent to our property and 5' from the proposed foundation, or that the unit won't be rented out because only his kids will be staying there. But Joe has said so many incredulous things that I have to assume he is simply a developer trying to maximize the square footage he can get and then move on. If Joe is really planning to stay, then I would welcome him as a neighbor and encourage him to live in the house for a while before deciding that 6,000 sf isn't big enough for him and his wife or that he needs 3 kitchens to have his kids stay with him.

His neighbors have been here living happily together for a long while. We would welcome him too if he started to do and say the things that neighbors, not developers, do. Developers who pretend to abutters that they are committed to own a property for the long term in order to gain their support and lie about the support of other abutters should not be rewarded with the approvals they seek.

Lastly, I would have sent this note to Joe, but he operates solely from a landline phone - no texts or emails. His only paper trail is typed letters dropped off at our house on his schedule. I suppose it's part of his

playbook. I hope Cambridge doesn't become such a big city that sincerity and being a good neighbor doesn't matter.

My best,

Bob

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Pacheco, Maria

From: Michael W. Wiggins <mww@westonpatrick.com>
Sent: Monday, April 25, 2022 3:52 PM
To: Pacheco, Maria
Subject: 27 Fayerweather Street BZA #165327
Attachments: Letter to Constantine Alexander 2022-4-25.pdf; Statement of Margaret Flanagan with photos attached.pdf; Statement of Greg Dennee AIA with Visual Renderings attached.pdf

Dear Maria,

With regarding to BZA # 165237, attached please find my letter to the Chair and the accompanying statements of my client, Margaret Flanagan and her architect, Greg Dennee. Please file these documents and bring them to the attention of the Chair and members of the Board for the hearing on April 28.

Thank you,

Michael Wiggins

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April 25, 2022

By email to mpacheco@cambridgema.gov

Constantine Alexander, Chair
Board of Zoning Appeal
831 Massachusetts Avenue
Cambridge, MA 02139


RE: 27 Fayerweather Street BZA #165327

Dear Mr. Alexander and Members of the Board:

I represent Margaret Flanagan and Timothy A. Barrows, owners of the property at 21 Fayerweather Street, which directly abuts 27 Fayerweather Street. Included with this letter please find the statement of my client, Margaret Flanagan, with photos attached, in opposition to the petition for a variance and special permit in the above matter. Also included is the statement of her architect, Greg Dennee dated April 20, 2022, with renderings attached to illustrate the adverse impact of the proposed carriage house on my clients' use of their property.

My clients have just been informed by another abutter that the petitioner has now proposed to alter the design of the proposed rear carriage house by reducing the height thereof, and that the request for a variance from the height restrictions is to be withdrawn. Even assuming that such a reduction is confirmed to the Board, my clients would nevertheless object to the issuance of a special use permit for the proposed accessory dwelling unit, for the reasons set forth in Ms. Flanagan's statement and as will be further articulated at the hearing in this matter. They also object to the allowance of multiple windows in the southern façade of the existing windowless structure within the applicable side yard setback.

Respectfully submitted,


Michael W. Wiggins

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Attachments

April 25, 2022

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Constantine Alexander, Chair
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RE: 27 Fayerweather Street BZA #165327

Dear Mr. Alexander and Members of the Board:

My husband Timothy A. Barrows and I own the property at 21 Fayerweather Street, where we raised our children. We purchased the property in 2003. We have reviewed the application in the above case and the site plan and building plans submitted to the Board. We adamantly oppose the petition for a special permit for an accessory dwelling unit to be constructed in place of the existing rear garage and a variance that would allow the height of the proposed accessory dwelling unit to be twenty-two feet and two inches and the height of the proposed new front garage to be twenty-two feet and seven and one-half inches.

The side of our house facing 27 Fayerweather Street is located very close to the common boundary line between 21 Fayerweather Street. Our second floor windows look out above the front garage at 27 Fayerweather Street that is located just on the other side of the line. We enjoy the openness of the space and daylight above the garage that is afforded to us on that level. If the front garage, now fifteen feet high at its peak, were replaced by the proposed garage at a height of twenty-two feet and seven and one-half inches, the air and view outside our second floor windows would be cut off by the mass of the taller garage, and light emanating from its dormer windows would intrude on our second floor rooms. A photo depicting the juxtaposition of the front garage with the side of our house facing it is submitted with this letter.

To the rear of our house, next to the boundary line, are a garden and patio. I am an avid gardener and work in that garden in all kinds of weather but particularly in warmer weather. Our family considers the garden and patio as an extended outdoor living room, using it informally throughout the day for sunbathing, reading, gathering with family socializing with guests and relaxing. We frequently gather around a fire pit on the patio at night with family and friends, at all times of the year. To preserve a sense of privacy and green screen for the benefit of both ourselves and the abutters at 27 Fayerweather Street, we have carefully managed and kept in place a row of arbor vitae along the boundary line next to the garden and patio. It is fertilized, sprayed for insects, and pruned yearly at a height of about fifteen feet by a professional landscaping company at significant expense. The rear garage at 27 Fayerweather is mostly screened from our view, year round. We are very concerned that the proposed accessory dwelling, with its dormer windows projecting toward our rear yard and patio above the row of arbor vitae, would shatter the sense of openness and privacy that we treasure, walling in the patio on that side and casting unwelcome light

from multiple windows on it at night. It would also cut off some of the late afternoon light from reaching our property.

We are also very concerned that the proximity of a dwelling unit less than 5 feet from the property line will completely alter how we use the space. We will no doubt be privy to everything that happens in the building given the openings on the side and on the front of the proposed dwelling. And whoever is in the dwelling is no doubt likely to hear everything that happens in our space as well. Having people living within the setback will have a chilling effect on how we are able to use that area.

The four panel comparison study that has been prepared by our architect Greg Dennee and submitted to the Board clearly demonstrates the negative impact on our use of our patio and garden. To further illustrate for the Board the adverse effect of raising the height of both the front and rear garages, we engaged the services of our contractor, Kistler and Knapp Builders, Inc. to install four twenty-two foot high poles along the property line. Submitted herewith is a photo of the rear yard patio and garden that depicts the two rear poles placed along the boundary line facing the rear garage, showing the open space that the roof of the proposed accessory building would be filling in. Also submitted herewith are a photo looking from the rear patio toward the two front poles that were placed next on the side of our house facing the front garage, and a photo from the second floor window looking over the existing front garage with the same two front poles in place.

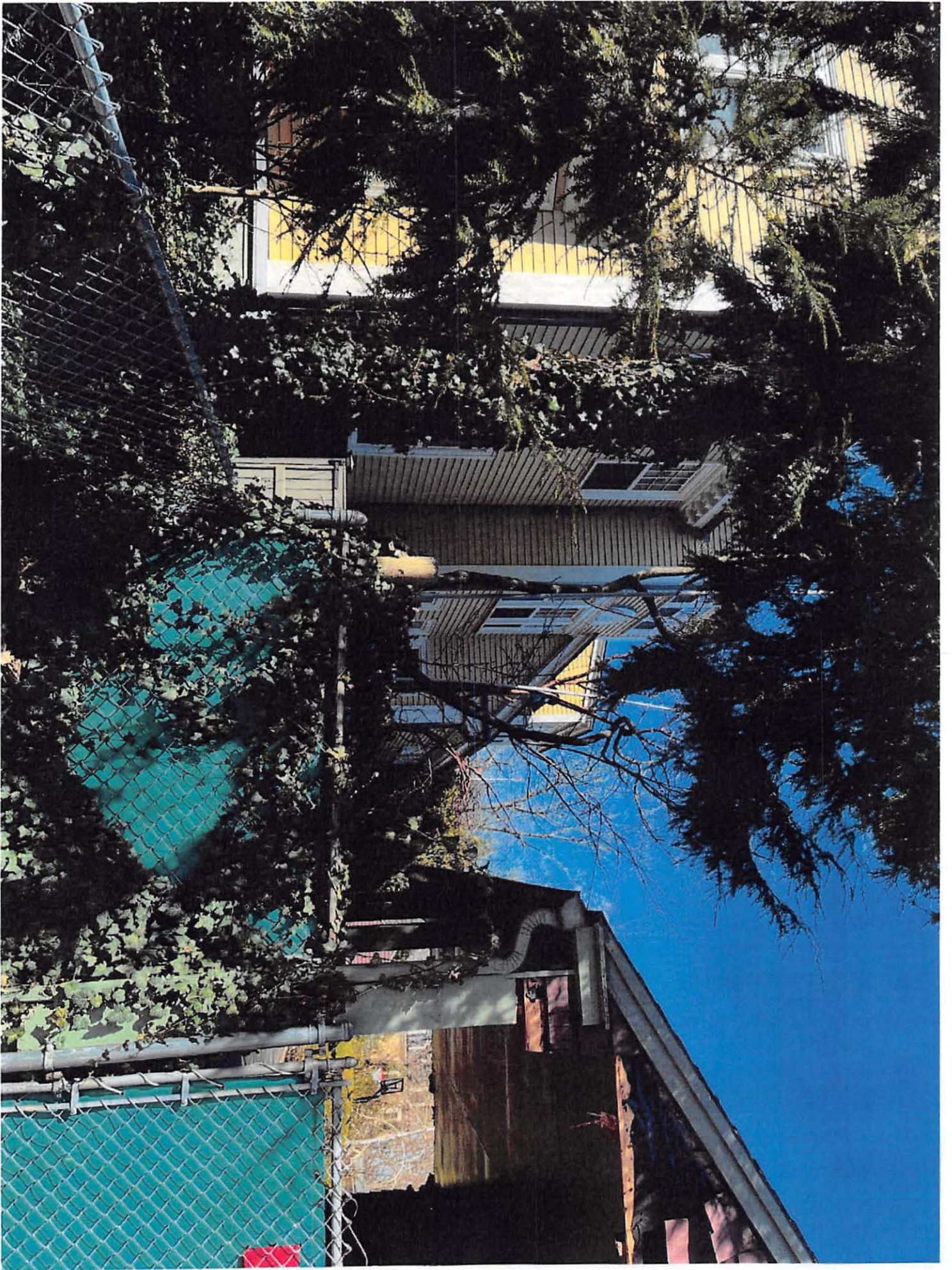
The existing residential building at 27 Fayerweather has been used as a single family with accessory apartment located within it ever since we have resided next door. It is described on the Cambridge Assessors' database as "Single family with Auxiliary Apartment". The plans submitted by the petitioner would add to the mix an entirely new habitable unit in the previously unoccupied basement. They would also provide direct elevator access from a rear entrance to the third floor, which will contain three bathrooms, a kitchenette, washer/dryer, space for living and/or dining space as the occupant may choose, and four bedrooms. Use of the building as reconfigured, as a two family plus accessory apartment, appears to be planned. We understand that the zoning ordinance allows for a single accessory dwelling unit, to be located either within the main building or within an accessory building, to be authorized by special permit. But it does not appear to allow two accessory dwelling units to be added to a two family residence, which plainly appears to be the case here.

We urge you not to grant the special permit for an accessory dwelling unit in place of the rear garage. We also urge you not to grant a variance to raise the height of either of the garages above the 15 foot maximum permitted by the Ordinance. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Margaret Flanagan

Margaret Flanagan









April 20, 2022

To Whom It May Concern

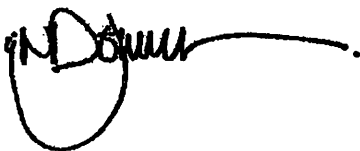
Re: 27 Fayerweather Street, Cambridge MA BZA #165327

I, Greg Dennee, AIA, am a partner in the firm of Locati Architects PLLC, of Bozeman, Montana. At the request of Margaret Flanagan and Timothy A. Barrows, the owners of the property at 21 Fayerweather Street, Cambridge, Massachusetts, our firm prepared, under my supervision, a set of visual renderings (“visuals”) to illustrate how a proposed 22 foot high accessory building, to be built upon the footprint of an existing 15 foot high rear garage (also referred to as a “carriage building”) at the abutting property at 27 Fayerweather Street would appear when seen from the rear yard garden and patio at 21 Fayerweather that faces the existing garage. In preparing the visuals we examined the set of existing and proposed building plans and site plan prepared by Allison Dingman Architects, dated February 15, 2022 and the plot plan prepared by AGH Engineering on March 8, 2022, on file with the application of the abutter at the Cambridge Zoning Board of Appeal. We also examined a photograph taken by Margaret Flanagan that depicts the view from the rear of her house across the rear garden and patio area toward the existing 15 foot high rear garage, which is partially screened by an existing line of arbor vitae on Ms. Flanagan’s property next to the common boundary line. The visuals were created by using a program called SkechUP, with which we created a 3D model scaled correctly

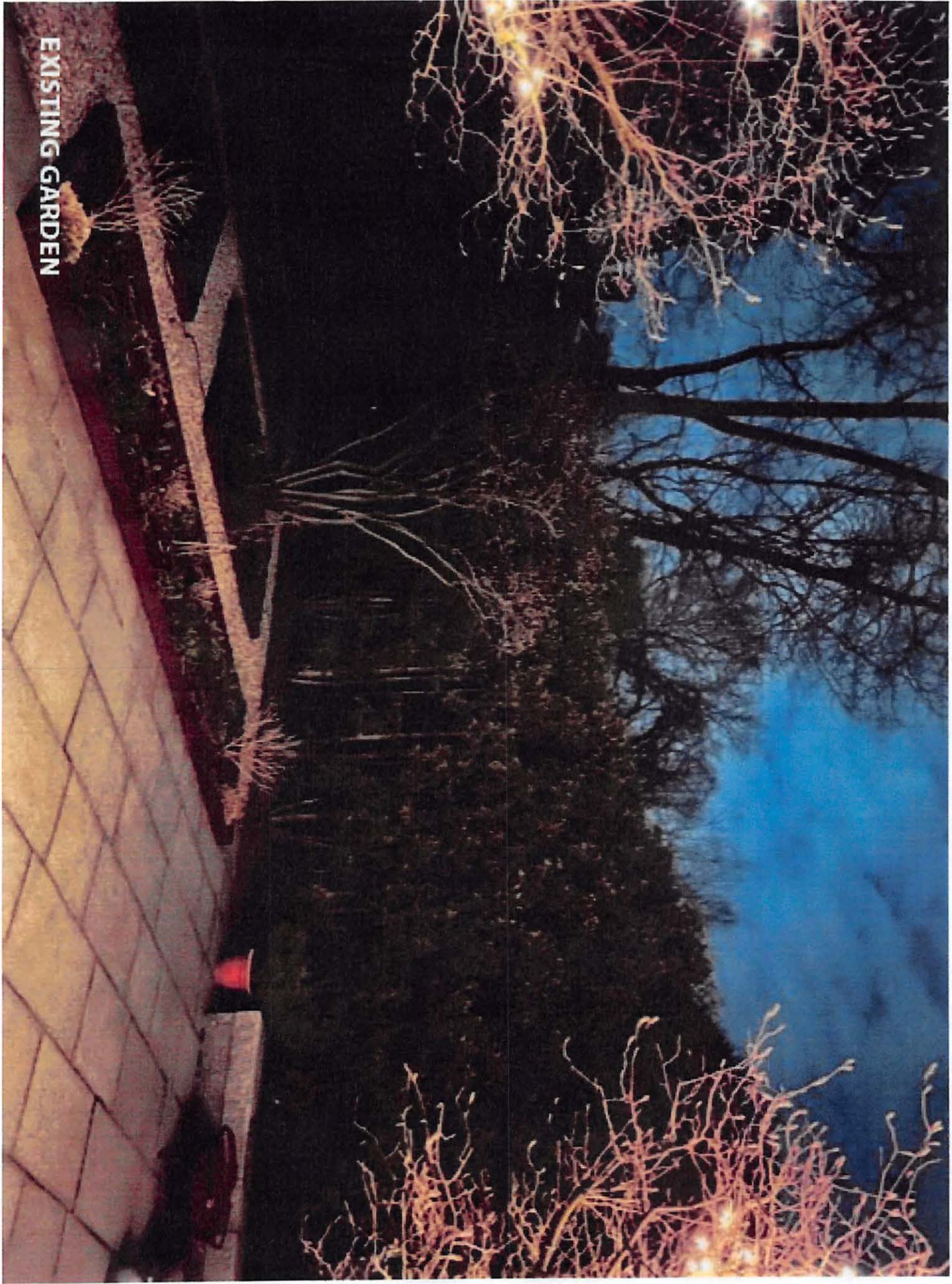
to the building and site plans prepared by Allison Dingman. We exported the model to a program known as Lumion, whereby we simulated lights, landscaping and context. We then matched the photograph supplied by Ms. Flanagan to the Lumion images, using Photoshop, and produced the four “before and after” attached visuals for comparison.

The visual labeled “Existing Garden” is a reproduction of the photograph showing the existing view from the rear of Ms. Flanagan’s house across the patio and garden toward the location of the existing rear garage. The visual labeled “Existing Garden With Current Garage” fairly depicts a scaled shadow image of the existing rear garage located beyond the arbor vitae that are located next to the common boundary line. The visual labeled “Existing Garden With Proposed Carriage House” depicts how the proposed new 22 foot high accessory building would appear when seen from the same view. The visual labeled “Existing Garden With Proposed + Carriage House (Overlay)” represents a fair comparison of the de minimis impact of the existing rear garage with the substantial effect of the proposed accessory building upon views and privacy in the garden and patio. We also prepared the attached direct, scaled model of the existing rear garage juxtaposed directly with the proposed carriage house.

Respectfully submitted,

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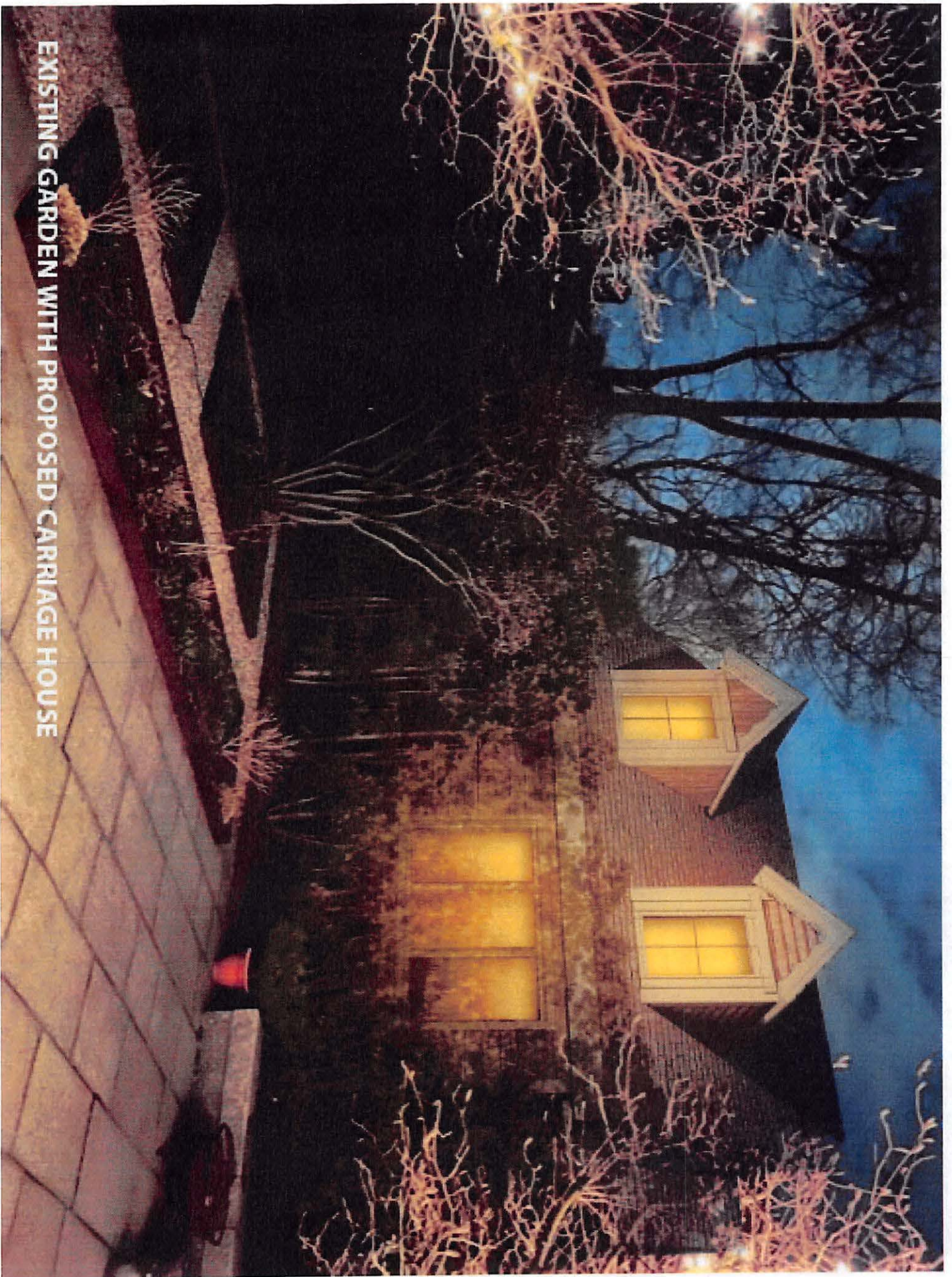
Greg Dennee, AIA



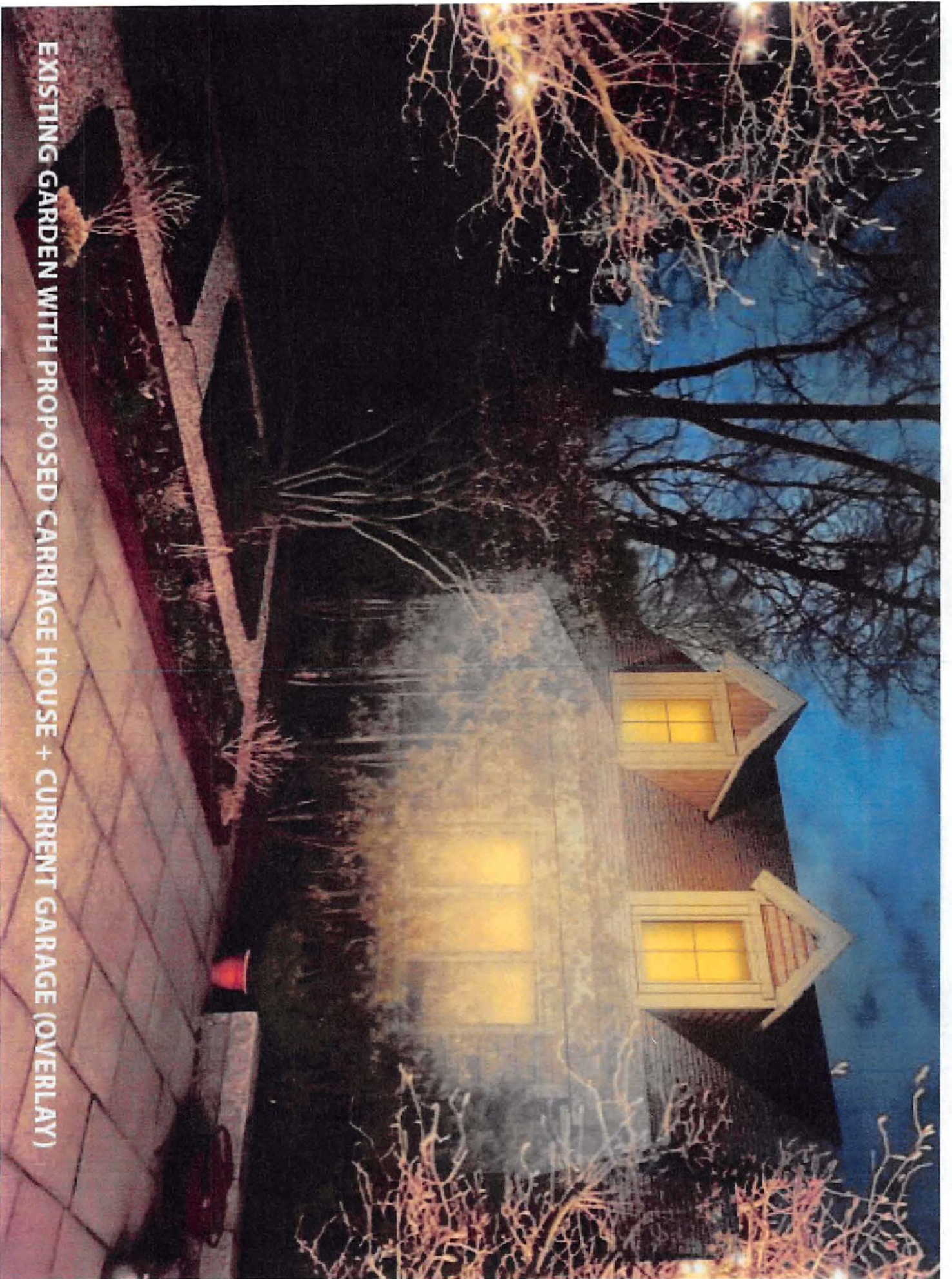
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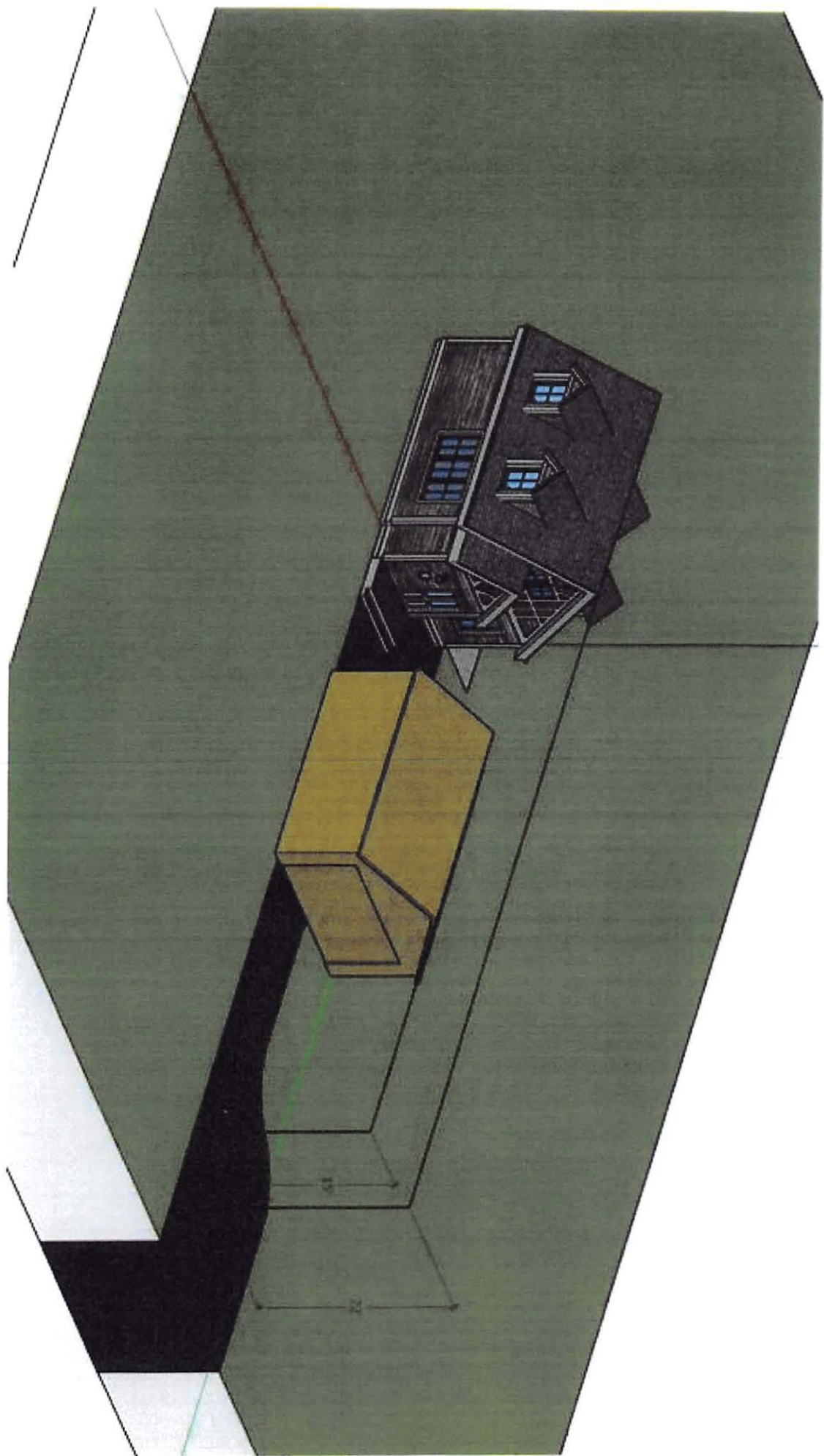
EXISTING GARDEN WITH CURRENT GARAGE



EXISTING GARDEN WITH PROPOSED CARRIAGE HOUSE



EXISTING GARDEN WITH PROPOSED CARRIAGE HOUSE + CURRENT GARAGE (OVERLAY)



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April 24, 2022

Re: BZA Number: 165327
27 Fayerweather St.

Dear Board of Zoning Appeals,

We reside directly in back of 27 Fayerweather St. and as abutters do not endorse the plans as proposed for a Variance and Special permit. We do not wish to see our garden space encroached upon, or see a precedent set that will adversely impact our neighborhood.

We have lived at 57 Lakeview Avenue for 25 years. We cherish our garden oasis filled with songbirds, and plantings that have been carefully chosen through trial and error over many years to create a walled garden of greenery when all is in leaf. We have neighbors who also enjoy the tranquility of their gardens that will be directly impacted if our single family zoned neighborhood is converted into multi-use properties.

We do not endorse the back garage being turned into an accessory dwelling of any type. It is already within the 5' set back. We do not endorse the 22' height which will block out the sky, shine light from double dormer windows on each side of the roof and from 1st floor windows facing us and our neighbors, and create accompanying noise. The current garage has no windows facing our way. We do not endorse a basement foundation and are concerned that while the plans do not show a second story, there is room to add this down the line, at which point this accessory dwelling will grow in square footage. We are also not happy to see that the basement will have window wells that push out from the foundation and into the 5' required set back required of all construction. On one side, the current garage as it located, is less than 5 feet from the property line, there is a proposed window well to be installed in this area. Even at 15' in height, an accessory dwelling in this location will permanently change how we enjoy and use our garden space.

Please note that the plans include window wells on all basement windows in the main home as well, some also encroaching on the 5' space that is supposed to exist between properties. An exterior stair to the basement also encroaches into this space.

We are concerned that the tall trees in our joined back corner, which we enjoy for their graceful height, privacy and screening, will be destroyed by construction when roots are trampled and cut roughly to pour any sort of foundation, full basement or slab for the accessory dwelling. They are Maple trees which do not like their roots disturbed. Some trees do not mind as much, Maples care. We have scheduled an appointment with an arborist to seek guidance.

Our other major concern is the water that flows underground and at times pools in the backyard of this property. There is water running underground that has increased over our 25 years in residence, neighborhood home renovations and garden work have redirected and increased the flow. Inevitably after construction, tall trees die or go into decline when roots are damaged, and when work is completed, there are fewer trees to drink up the water. This has contributed to our water issue on Lakeview Ave. Last Summer we met with the City when there was a complaint about water that runs down our cobblestone parking area. The concern was that we were using a sump pump to dump water onto the sidewalk. It's actually the water that is running off of Fayerweather St. When we met with the City it was determined that we were not at fault. The home at 27 Fayerweather has a garden tipped in our direction and we kindly request that a water engineer be brought in as a part of the permitting process to assess how to handle this issue during any construction and thereafter. We are concerned too that the foundation for the new addition on the main home will contribute to this problem as well and request that the basement addition be a part of the water engineer's assessment.

We do not like the 4 balconies being proposed on the back of the home, they will feel like eyes peering into our garden, just as the double dormers will feel like eyes into our neighbor's gardens. We respectfully ask that these balconies be reconsidered and removed.

We are also concerned how this property will be used, we do not understand the need for 5 kitchens and 5 laundry units as well as an elevator. The property was listed as a single family with an auxiliary apartment. It is now being described as a 2 family with the request for an accessory dwelling. It is important to note that this is an A-1 residential zone, are we being asked to approve 3 separate units on this property with the potential for 5 units at some point? We are very concerned about possible short and long-term rental options, and question the development of this property.

This property is owned by an LLC, and while we met Joe Glenmullen and found him quite affable, we do not actually know who owns this property or what plans are in the works. Joe has developed other properties in Cambridge under a number of separate LLC's and his recent work at 68 Sparks St. in Cambridge mirrors the work he plans to do at 27 Fayerweather. This concerns us.

We are also concerned that we did not learn of this project until April 5th when Joe left a note in our mailbox with his landline number for us to call. The Notice of Public Hearing arrived in our mail on April 14th or 15th. We set up a time to meet with Joe on Saturday April 16th. We request that no permits be given out until water and tree issues are addressed to determine what is feasible. This all feels rather fast for such a large project, we wish to take the time to review carefully and ensure all is handled carefully.

We are happy to work with Joe Glenmullen on possible revised plans once water and tree issues and needs are established. We wish to be on good terms with our new neighbor and realize this process can impede that goal. We wish to see solutions put forth that address concerns for water runoff, trees and encroachment.

Included are 2 photos of the back corner of our property to show the tall trees, and our sitting area that sits directly next to a new dwelling. The 22' poles our neighbors put up to show the 22" height are visible in these images as is the current brown garage.

All best,
Lori & Roland Pease







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April 25, 2022

Brendan Sullivan, Chair
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RE: BZA-165327 – 27 Fayerweather Street

Dear Mr. Sullivan and Members of the Board:

I write on behalf of Eric Nelson, the owner of 31 Fayerweather Street and a direct abutter to the proposed project. Mr. Nelson has met with the proponent to discuss his concerns that the addition as proposed — a three-story extension to the rear of 27 Fayerweather Street, located ten feet into the 15-foot right side yard setback — will have a significant adverse effect on the light, air, and privacy of his own home and outdoor space.¹

While Mr. Nelson and the proponent have not yet been able to reach a mutually agreeable compromise, he believes there is an opportunity to do so. This letter requests that — unless the Board chooses to deny the relief requested — the Board grant a continuance until May 19, 2022 (or the nearest meeting thereto) to enable the parties to continue discussing a resolution that would allow Mr. Nelson to support this project.

As the direct abutter on the right side, the impact of the proposed addition on 31 Fayerweather would be severe. The existing right side yard setback is already significantly nonconforming, at 4.4 feet in a zoning district requiring a minimum of 15 feet (sum of 35). The proposal also seeks to increase the already-nonconforming height of 37.6 feet to 39.5 feet.²

The proposal appears to add approximately 20 linear feet to the existing structure at the second and third stories (plus *additional* length from new second- and third-story balconies). It would simultaneously infill above an existing one-story rear ell, and raise that portion of the existing structure to over 39 feet. The excerpted elevations below — in red outline (plus the red-dashed outline for the balcony extensions) — illustrate the significant scope of the proposed addition.

¹ Kenneth Froot, the owner of 33 Fayerweather Street, has similar objections, which he will be conveying to the Board himself.

² Note that the submitted plans appear to mislabel the left and right sides as the front and rear elevations, respectively, and vice versa.

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The overall effect on light, air, and privacy for 31 Fayerweather Street — from the introduction of what is effectively a new 20-foot-by-39-foot structure, ten feet closer to its lot line than allowed under the Ordinance — will by any measure be substantially more detrimental than the existing nonconforming structure under G.L. c. 40A, § 6 and Section 8.22.2(d) of the Ordinance.

In light of the above, Mr. Nelson respectfully requests that the Board grant a continuance in this matter to enable further discussions with the proponent.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Tad Heuer". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Tad Heuer

Excerpt from Sheet A2-1 EX



Excerpt from Sheet A2-3

