

## **CITY OF CAMBRIDGE**

BOARD OF ZONING APPEAL

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## **BZA Application Form**

BZA Number: 268596

#### **General Information**

The undersigned hereby petitions the Board of Zoning Appeal for the following:							
Special Permit:	_X	Variance:		Appeal:			
PETITIONER: Ma	<u>rijane &amp; John Jens</u>	en C/O Damon Side	L				
PETITIONER'S AD	DRESS: 10 Grand	View Ave, Somervill	e, MA 02143				
LOCATION OF PR	OPERTY: <u>270 Hur</u>	on Ave , Cambridge	<u>, MA</u>				
TYPE OF OCCUPA	NCY: <u>Residential</u>		ZONING DISTRICT	: <u>Residence B Zone</u>			
REASON FOR PET	TITION:						
/Additions/							
DESCRIPTION	OF PETITIONER	R'S PROPOSAL:					
Add a set of below-grade exterior stairs, open to the sky, to improve basement access.							
SECTIONS OF ZO	NING ORDINANC	E CITED:					
Article: 5.000 Article: 8.000 Article: 10.000	Section: 5.31 (Table of Dimensional Requirements). Section: 8.22.2.d (Non-Conforming Structure). Section: 10.40 (Special Permit).						
		Original Signature(s):	(Pe	etitioner (s) / Owner)			
			DAMOI	V SIDEL			
				(Print Name)			

Address: Tel. No.

6178636491

10 Grand View Ave, Somerville 02143

E-Mail Address: dsidel@mixdesigndevelop.com

Date:	
Date:	

### **BZA Application Form**

#### **DIMENSIONAL INFORMATION**

**Applicant:** Marijane & John Jensen

Present Use/Occupancy: Residential

Location:

270 Huron Ave, Cambridge, MA

Zone: Residence B Zone

**Phone:** 6178636491

Requested Use/Occupancy: Residential

		Existing Conditions	 equested onditions	Ordinance Requirements	
TOTAL GROSS FLOOR AREA:		3537	3537	2131	(max.)
LOT AREA;		4262	4262	5000	(min.)
RATIO OF GROSS FLOOR AREA TO LOT AREA: <sup>2</sup>		.83	.83	.50	
LOT AREA OF EACH DWELLING UNIT		2131	2131	2500	
SIZE OF LOT:	WIDTH	47	47	50	
	DEPTH	n/a	n/a	n/a	
SETBACKS IN FEET:	FRONT	10.8	10.8	15	
	REAR	23.8	23.8	25	
	LEFT SIDE	12	12	10	
	RIGHT SIDE	9	3.2	10	
SIZE OF BUILDING:	HEIGHT	38.5	39.5	35	
	WIDTH	na	na	na	
	LENGTH	na	na	na	
RATIO OF USABLE OPEN SPACE TO LOT AREA:		39.3	36.4	40	
NO. OF DWELLING UNITS:		2	2	2	
NO. OF PARKING SPACES:		4	4	na	
NO. OF LOADING AREAS:	-	0	0	na	
DISTANCE TO NEAREST BLDG. ON SAME LOT		2.5	2.5	10	

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.:

Lot contains 2-car garage of brick construction. Construction proposed consists of exterior stairwell, open to the sky. Retaining walls will be C.I.P. concrete or block walls with masonry or metal stairs. The existing adjacent brick walkway will be extended to the new stairs.

### BZA APPLICATION FORM - OWNERSHIP INFORMATION

To be completed by OWNER, signed before a notary and returned to The Secretary of the Board of Zoning Appeals.

<sub>I /We</sub> Marijane & John Jenson, Candi̇́ce	Anne Dunlap	
Address: 270 Huron Ave, Cambridge, MA	9 • 370 3 1700 − 38 cm (do) • 3	
State that I/We own the property lo	cated at 270 Huron Ave	e, Cambridge, MA 02138
which is the subject of this zoning	application.	
The record title of this property i	0.	
Jensen, John R and Jensen, Marijane	D and Dunlap, Candice	Anne
*Pursuant to a deed of duly recorde	d in the date $\frac{5/17/199}{}$	90, Middlesex Sout
County Registry of Deeds at Book $20$	547, Page 37	; or
Middlesex Registry District of Land	Court, Certificate N	No
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	SIGNATURE BY LAND ON AUTHORIZED TRUSTEE,	
*Written evidence of Agent's standi	ng to represent petit	ioner may be requeste
Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Cour	Middlesex	
The above-name Marijane & John Jenson, Candid	Anne Dunlap personal	ly appeared before me
this 2300 of MMCk, 2024, and	made oath that the a	bove statement is tru
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#### SUPPORTING STATEMENT FOR A SPECIAL PERMIT

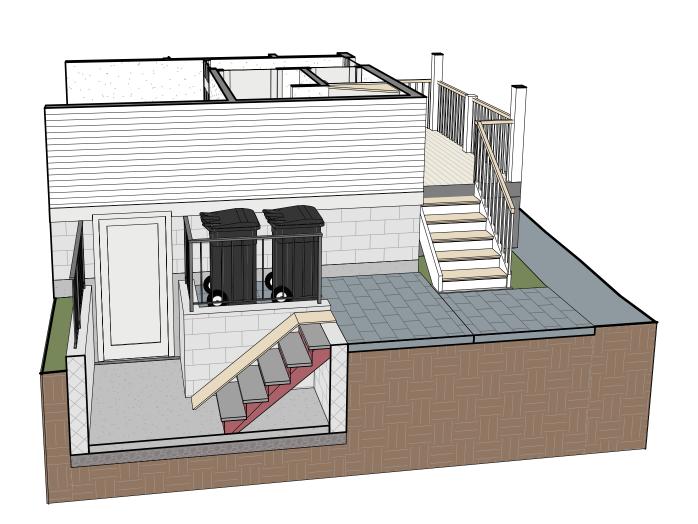
Please describe in complete detail how you meet each of the following criteria referring to the property and proposed changes or uses which are requested in your application. Attach sheets with additional information for special permits which have additional criteria, e.g.; fast food permits, comprehensive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

Granting the Special Permit requested for <u>270 Huron Ave , Cambridge, MA</u> (location) would not be a detriment to the public interest because:

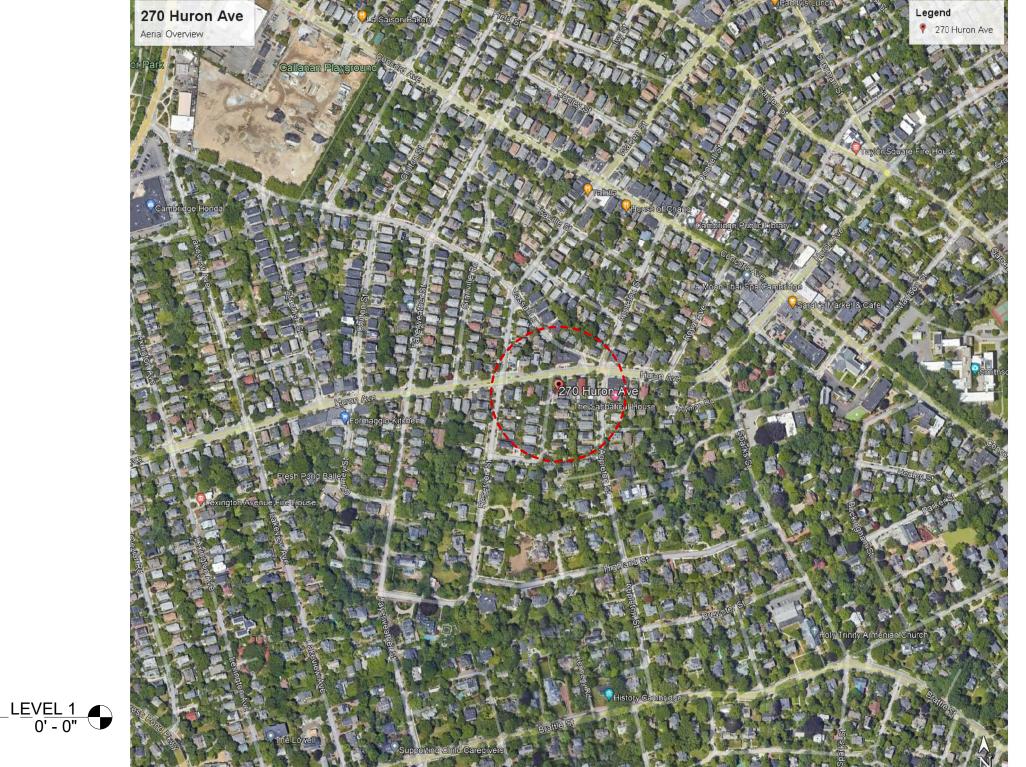
- A) Requirements of the Ordinance can or will be met for the following reasons:
  - The proposal are for increases in existing nonconformances, allowable by Special Permit.
- B) Traffic generated or patterns of access or egress would not cause congestion hazard, or substantial change in established neighborhood character for the following reasons:
  - The proposal does not change traffic on or around the property.
- 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:
  - The proposal improves access to the basement and does not negatively impact any other use on the property. It does not impact surrounding uses.
- 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 proposal does not impact the neighborhood and will be minimally visible as it will be mostly below grade.
- 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 proposal does not change the use or functionality of the property and is minimally visible otherwise.

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



# BASEMENT ACCESS

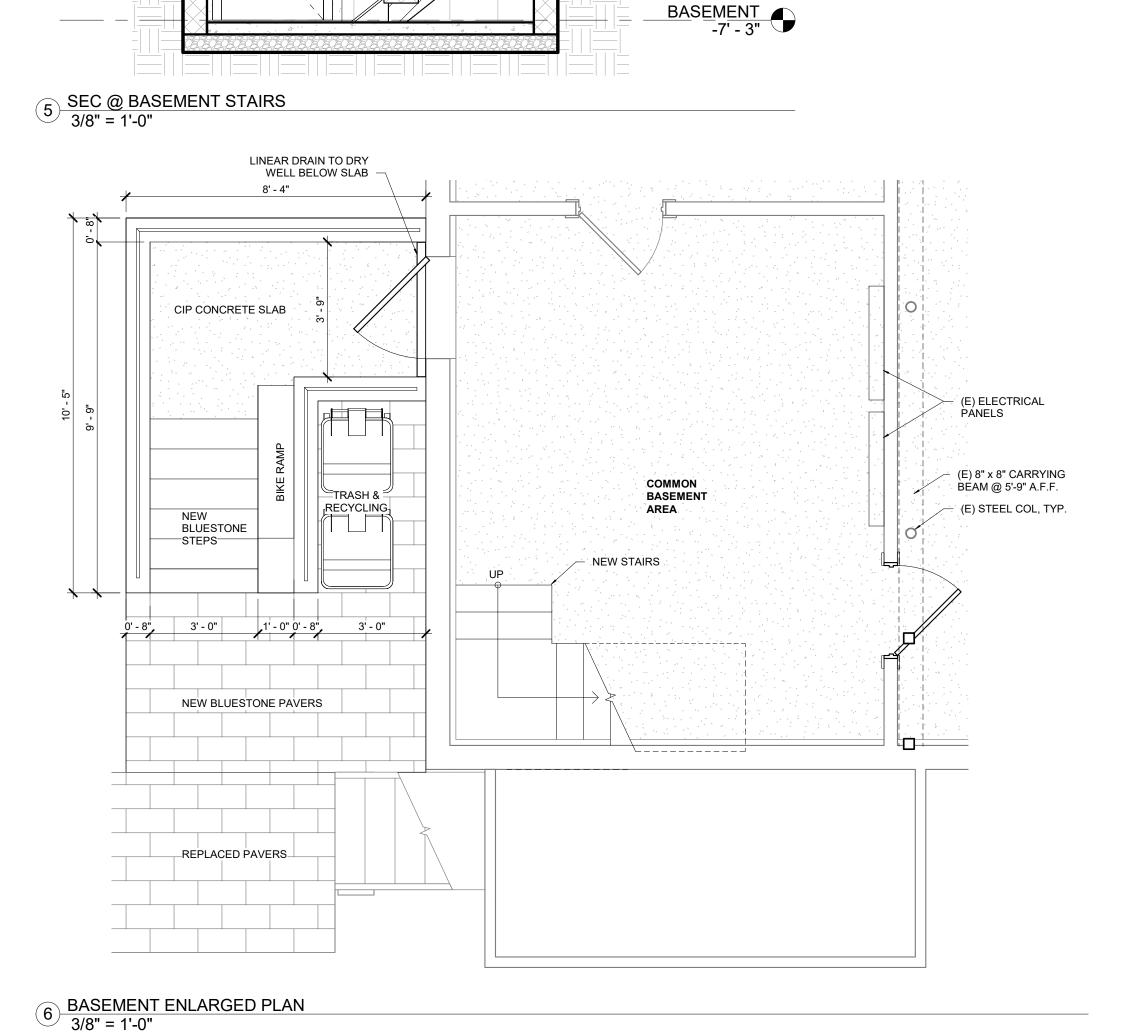




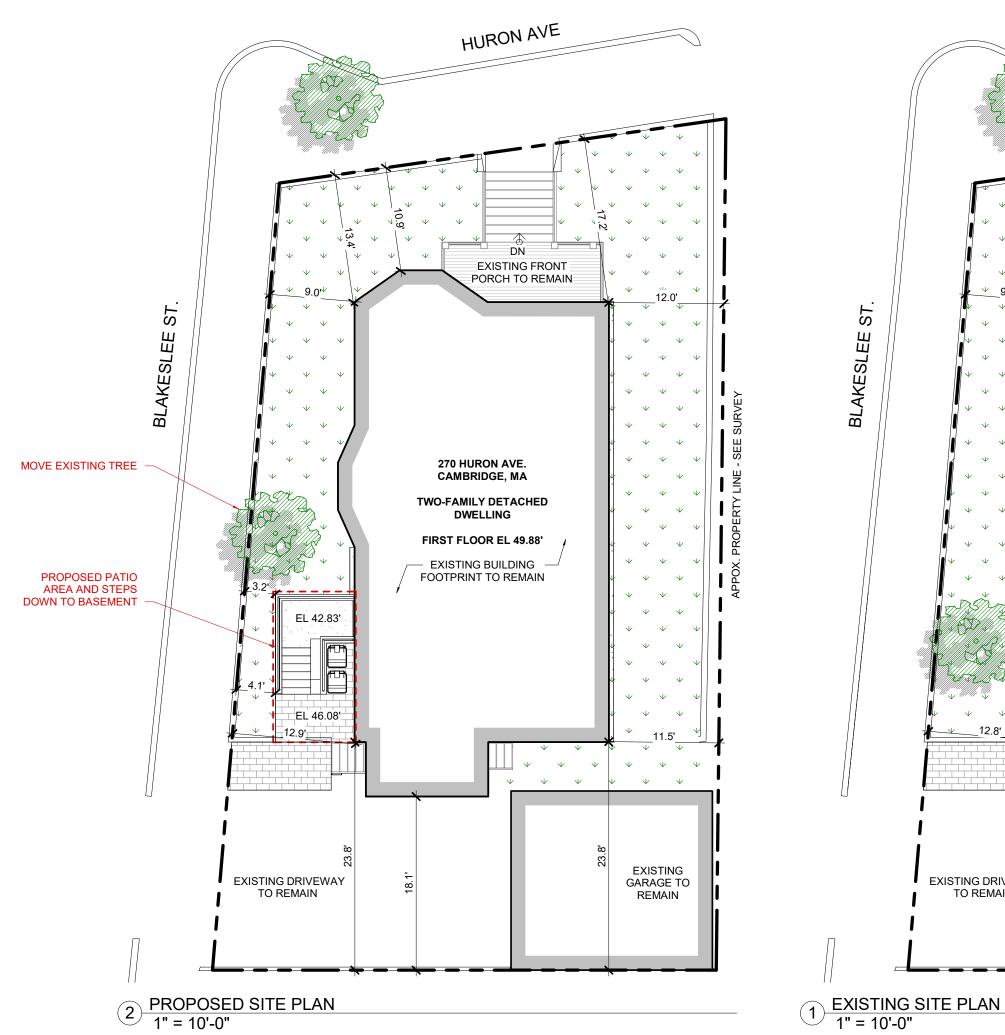


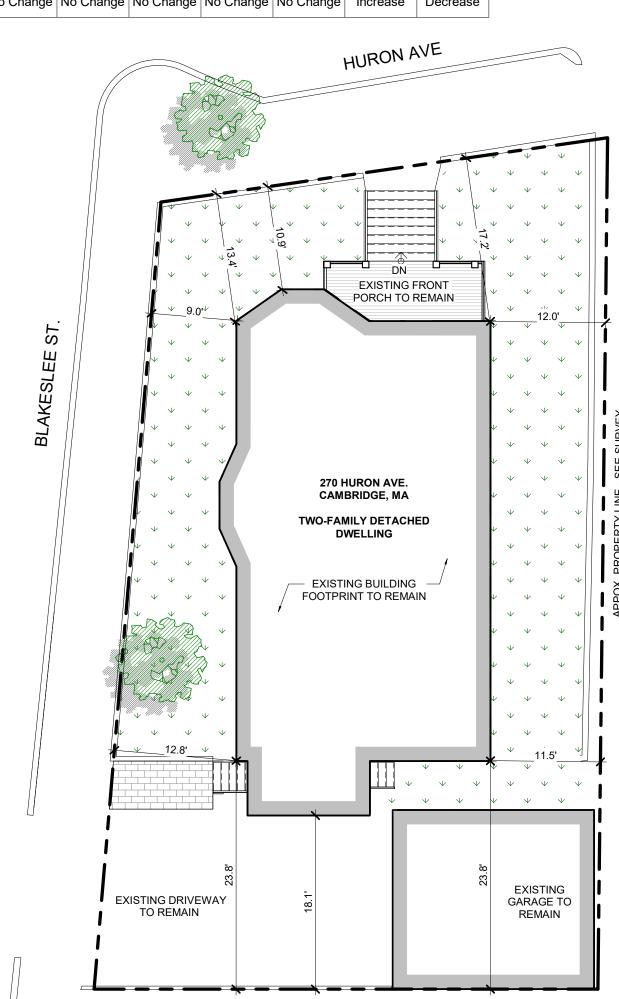
## **ZONING SUMMARY**

	(1) (2) (3) Max. Minimum Min. Lot Ratio of Lot Size Area for Floor in Sq. Ft. Each Area to D.U. in		(4) Minimum Lot Width in Feet	Miniı	(5) mum Yard in	(6) Maximum Height in Feet	(7) Min. Ratio of Private Op. Sp. to Lot Area		
	Lot Area		Sq. Ft.		Front	Side	Rear		
B Residence	0.50	5,000	2,500	50'	15'	7.5' (sum 20')	25'	35'	40%
Existing	0.83	4,262	2,131	47'	10.8'	10.9'*	23.8'	38.5'	39.3%
Proposed	0.83	4,262	2,131	47'	10.8'	10.9'*	23.8'	39.3'	36.4%
A = Allowable (E) NC = Existing nonconformity	(E) NC No Change	(E) NC No Change	(E) NC No Change	(E) NC No Change	A No Change	(E) NC No Change	A No Change	(E) NC Increase	A Decrease



DRIVEWAY -4' - 0"







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#### **GENERAL NOTES:**

ALL DIMENSIONS ARE TO FACE OF STUD AT NEW WALLS AND FINISHED FACE AT EXISTING WALLS UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED.

DIMENSIONS NOTED "FIN" ARE TO FINISHED FACE. DIMENSIONS NOTED "CLR" ARE CLEAR. ALL DIMENSIONS SHALL BE VERIFIED IN THE FIELD. INTERIOR PARTITIONS TO BE 2x4 WOOD STUD

WALLS W/ 1/2" BOARD AND PLASTER. INTERIOR PARTITIONS AT BATHROOMS TO BE 2x4 WOOD STUD WALLS W/ 1/2" MOISTURE RESISTANT BOARD AND PLASTER OR 1/2" CEMENT BOARD AND TILE WHERE INDICATED.

#### **DESIGN/BUILD NOTES:**

ALL WORK RELATED TO HVAC, PLUMBING, AND ELECTRICAL SYSTEMS SHALL BE DESIGNED AND CONSTRUCTED ON A DESIGN/BUILD BASIS. ALL WORK SHALL COMPLY WITH ALL RELEVANT FEDERAL, STATE, AND LOCAL CODES AND ORDINANCES.

HVAC, ELECTRICAL, AND PLUMBING LAYOUTS WHERE SHOWN ARE FOR INFORMATION AND COORDINATION PURPOSES ONLY. INSTALLERS SHALL HAVE FULL RESPONSIBILITY FOR COMPLIANCE WITH ALL APPLICABLE CODES AND SHALL INDEMNIFY, DEFEND, AND HOLD HARMLESS THE ARCHITECT FROM ANY AND ALL LIABILITY IN CONNECTION THEREIN.

#### **ELECTRICAL NOTES:**

MOUNTING HEIGHTS FOR ELECTRICAL RECEPTACLES AND SWITCHES SHALL MATCH EXISTING BUILDING EQUIPMENT AND CODE. ELECTRICAL RECEPTACLES MAY BE NO LOWER THAN 18" A.F.F (CENTERLINE) MAXIMUM HEIGHT FOR CONTROLS IS 48" A.F.F.

COVER PLATES FOR ANY DEVICES SHALL NOT BE INSTALLED UNTIL APPLICATION OF ALL FINISH MATERIALS HAS BEEN COMPLETED.

ALL ELECTRICAL WORK SHALL BE COORDINATED WITH HVAC, CABINETWORK, PARTITION CONSTRUCTION AND ANY OTHER WORK WHERE SO REQUIRED/APPROPRIATE EVEN IF NOT SPECIFICALLY REQUESTED.

ELECTRICAL CONTRACTOR WILL COORDINATE ANY CHANGES OR CHANGE REQUESTS IN ELECTRICAL POWER OR DEVICE REQUIREMENTS WITH OWNER AND ARCHITECT.

COMPLY WITH ALL MANUFACTURER REQUIREMENTS FOR ELECTRICAL, TELEPHONE, AND OTHER ASSOCIATED DEVICES.

## APPLICABLE CODE:

MASSACHUSETTS STATE BUILDING CODE (780 CMR) 9TH EDITION AND 2015 INTERNATIONAL RESIDENTIAL CÓDE

No.	Description	Date

# JENSEN RESIDENCE

270 HURON AVE CAMBRIDGE, MA

# SPECIAL PERMIT **APPLICATION**

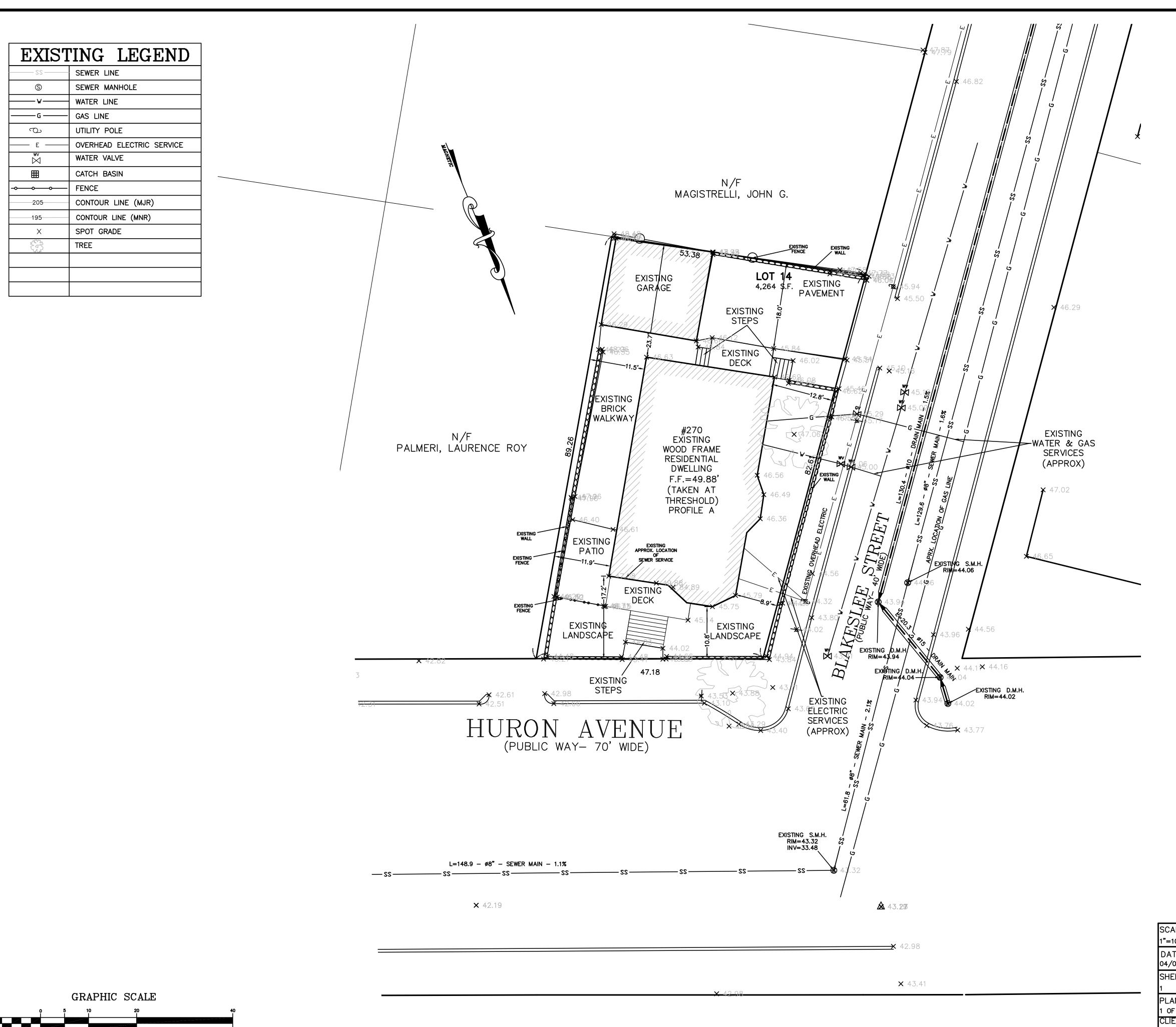
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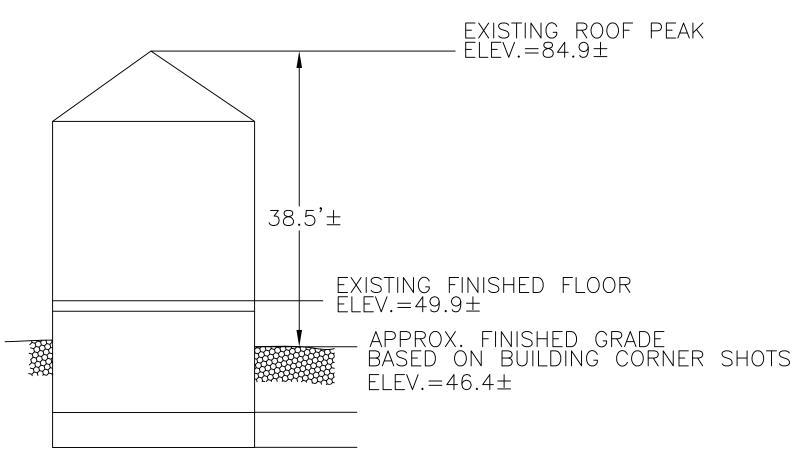
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As indicated



NOTES:

- 1. INFORMATION SHOWN ON THIS PLAN IS THE RESULT OF A FIELD SURVEY PERFORMED BY SUPRUHAN ENGINEERING P.C AS OF 11/17/2020.
- 2. DEED REFERENCE: BOOK 20547, PAGE 037, DEED REFERENCE: BOOK 551 OF 2007
- MIDDLESEX COUNTRY REGISTRY OF DEEDS
- 3. THIS PLAN IS NOT INTENDED TO BE RECORDED.
- 4. I CERTIFY THAT THE DWELLING SHOWN IS NOT LOCATED WITHIN A SPECIAL FLOOD HAZARD ZONE. IT IS LOCATED IN ZONE X, ON FLOOD HAZARD BOUNDARY MAP NUMBER 25017C0419E, PANEL NUMBER 0419E, IN COMMUNITY NUMBER: 250186, DATED JUNE 4, 2010.
- 5. THIS PLAN DOES NOT SHOW ANY UNRECORDED OR UNWRITTEN EASEMENTS WHICH MAY EXIST. A REASONABLE AND DILIGENT ATTEMPT HAS BEEN MADE TO OBSERVE ANY APPARENT USES OF THE LAND; HOWEVER THIS NOT CONSTITUTE A GUARANTEE THAT NO SUCH EASEMENTS EXIST.
- 6. FIRST FLOOR ELEVATIONS ARE TAKEN AT THRESHOLD.
- 7. THE ELEVATIONS SHOWN ARE BASED ON CITY OF CAMBRIDGE DATUM.
- 8. ZONING DISTRICT: RESIDENCE B



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#### **Fwd: Special Permit**

I <mjjensen270@yahoo.com>
To: Damon Sidel <dsidel@mixdesigndevelop.com>

Thu, Mar 14, 2024 at 8:18 AM

These are our neighbors across the street on the opposite corner - they look directly at the side yard.

Sent from my iPhone, Please excuse typos and brevity.

Begin forwarded message:

From: Judith Pemstein < judith.pemstein@gmail.com>

**Date:** March 10, 2024 at 7:46:33 PM EDT **To:** MJ Jensen < Mjjensen270@yahoo.com>

Subject: Re: Special Permit

#### Totally cool with this plan!

On Sun, Mar 10, 2024 at 5:27 PM MJ Jensen <mjjensen270@yahoo.com> wrote: | Judith and Alan,

I hope you are all well and maybe enjoying the milder weather.

John and I are working on our last construction project, which will include upgrading the kitchen and our back stairs and adding an entrance to the basement from the outside.

We are applying for a special permit for the latter. I believe it is required due to setbacks, etc.

We want to add access to the basement that will allow us to get our bicycles in and out and make it safer to get into the basement. Our current and only access is small, the stairs are narrow and curved, and we aren't getting any younger. The plans are attached. Would you mind looking at them and seeing if you are ok with them, have questions, etc., or are totally against them? We want to make sure the neighbors are ok with this.

Happy to meet up in person, but I thought I would start the ball rolling.

**Thanks** 

MJ and John

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Judy Pemstein 508.380.5829



#### **Fwd: SPecial Permit**

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I <mjjensen270@yahoo.com>

Thu, Mar 14, 2024 at 8:19 AM

To: Damon Sidel <dsidel@mixdesigndevelop.com>

These are the first floor neighbors across the street.

MJ

Sent from my iPhone, Please excuse typos and brevity.

Begin forwarded message:

From: Margo Lindauer <margolindauer@gmail.com>

**Date:** March 10, 2024 at 2:55:35 PM EDT **To:** MJ Jensen < Mjjensen 270@yahoo.com >

Subject: Re: SPecial Permit

#### No issue whatsoever!!

On Sun, Mar 10, 2024 at 2:32 PM MJ Jensen <mjjensen270@yahoo.com> wrote:

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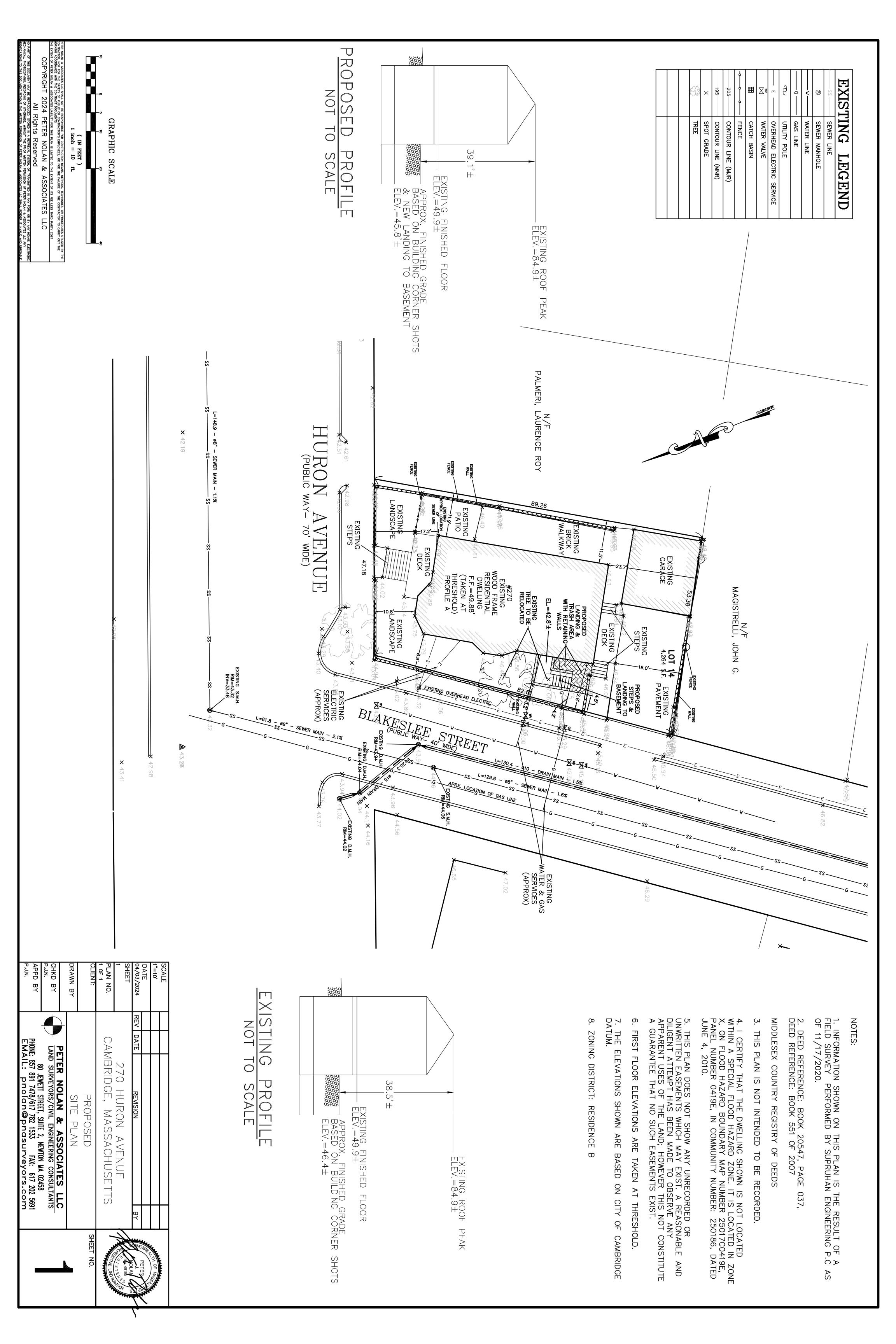
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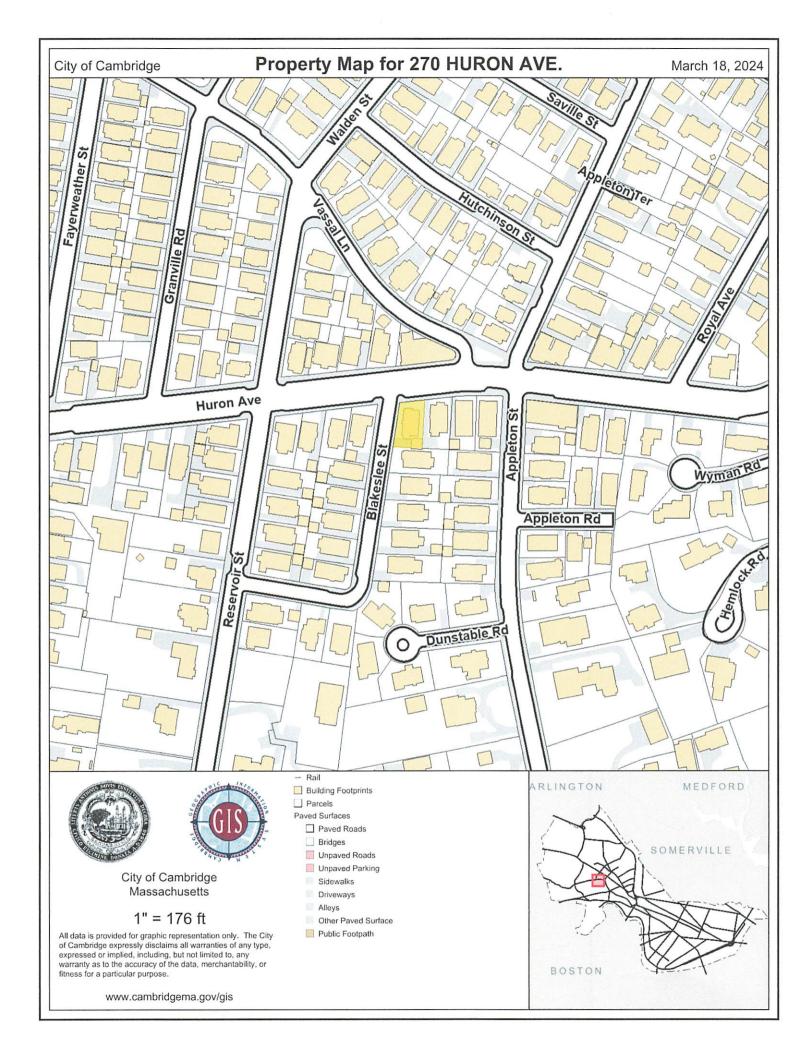
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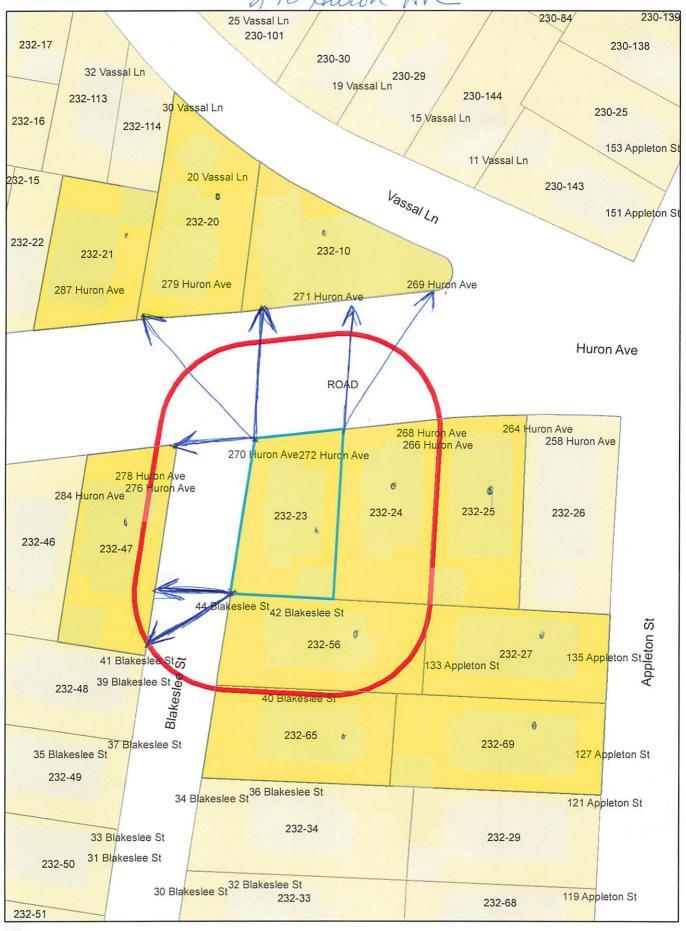
**Thanks** 

MJ and John





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232-27 MILLAN, SANTIAGO & MARCELA MILLAN 133-135 APPLETON ST - UNIT 133 CAMBRIDGE, MA 02138

232-25 CHAPPELL, PATRICIA P. 264 HURON AVE UNIT 1 CAMBRIDGE, MA 02138 DAMON SIDEL 10 GRAND VIEW AVE SOMERVILLE, MA 02143

232-23 JENSEN JOHN R & MARIJANE D JENSEN CANDACE ANNE DUNLAP ET AL 270 HURON AVE CAMBRIDGE, MA 02138

232-56 GARVEY, JEROLD KATHLEEN GARVEY, TRS 42 BLAKESLEE STREET CAMBRIDGE, MA 02138

232-10 LORDAN, GEORGE P. TRUSTEE 60 MASSACHUSETTS AVE ARLINGTON, MA 02474

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