

Application Fees (Not Including Advertising and Mailing Costs):

- Special Permit: \$250
- Variance: \$250
- Appeal of Building Commissioners Decision: \$250
- Special Permit Renewal: \$150

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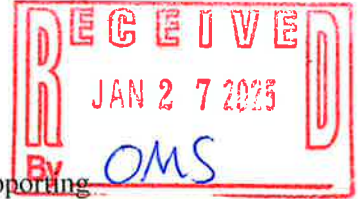
TOWN OF MAYNARD

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MAYNARD, MA 01754**



ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS
APPLICATION NUMBER: BA2501
PETITION FOR HEARING



This Petition must be completed, signed, and submitted with the filing fee and supporting documentation by the Petitioner or his representative in accordance with the procedures as set forth on the attachments to this petition.

Address of Property 20 Walcott Street

Characteristics of Property: Lot Area 3,929 sf Present Use Single Family

Assessor's Map # 40793-163 Parcel # 010.0-0000-0215.0 Zoning District General Residence

Name of Petitioner James Rohr, Rebecca Solomon Phone # 978-257-3908

Mailing Address 78 Nason Street, Maynard MA 01754

E-mail Address jamesrohr88@gmail.com bksedits@gmail.com

Name of Owner Same as petitioner Phone # _____

(If not Petitioner)

Mailing Address _____

- Petition is for
- (Check One)
- An Appeal from the Decision of the Building Commissioner
 - A Variance
 - A Special Permit
 - Other (Please Specify) _____

Applicable Section of the Zoning By-Laws: Section 4.0 & Section 5.0

Summarize nature and justification of petition (*Please attach full explanation*):

Please see attached...

I hereby request a hearing before the Zoning Board of Appeals with reference to the above Petition.

Signature of Petitioner (or representative) [Handwritten Signature]

Address (if not Petitioner) _____

Telephone Number _____

Signature of Owner, if other than Petitioner _____

Summarize nature and justification of petition:

The single family home is currently a pre-existing non-conforming structure on a lot that is insufficient due to lot size. The current structure(s) on site also exist within the front, side and rear setbacks and are also non-conforming.

The project seeks to raze the existing single story detached accessory garage structure which sits within the rear yard setback. The projects seeks to make the existing screened in porch within the front setback habitable finish space and extend the footprint of the front of the house to match the alignment of the porch. Second floor space will be built on top of this new extension extending the volume. The height of the structure will not change. The project all seeks to build a new screened in porch off the back of rear of the home which will be within the yard setback from Lewis Street. The project will not exceed 40% of lot coverage.

The petitioner feels the renovation and extension of the primary structure will not be more detrimental than the existing non-conforming structure to the neighborhood and will improve the site by removing a non-conforming accessory structure from the site.

Relief requests include:

- Lot area deficiency (pre-existing)
- Frontage deficiency (pre-existing)
- Lot width deficiency (pre-existing)
- Front yard deficiency (pre-existing)
- Side yard deficiency (pre-existing)
- Rear yard deficiency (pre-existing)

Table 1
Zoning By-law
Dimensional Regulations
Required, Proposed and Existing Conditions

Property: Zoning District:			
<u>Use Type</u>	<u>Existing Use Allowed in District?</u>	<u>Proposed Use</u>	<u>Proposed Use Allowed in District?</u>
Single Family	Yes	Single Family	Yes
<u>Lot Size</u>	<u>Minimum Required</u>	<u>Existing</u>	<u>Proposed</u>
Area (square feet)	7,000	+/- 3,929 sf	+/- 3,929 sf
Frontage (feet)	75'	54'	54' (*)
Width (feet)	70'	54'	54' (*)
<u>Yard (Setback) Requirements</u>	<u>Minimum Required</u>	<u>Existing</u>	<u>Proposed</u>
Front (feet)	25'	10.0'	10.0' (*)
Side (feet)	15'	13.6'	13.6' (*)
Side - Street (feet)	25'	13.4'	13.4' (*)
Rear (feet)	15'	1.7' (accessory bldg.)	21.6' (*)
<u>Coverage</u>	<u>Maximum Allowable</u>	<u>Existing</u>	<u>Proposed</u>
By Building (%)	40%	25.2%	21.8%
By Impervious (%)	75%	30.9%	28.8%
<u>Height (feet)</u>	<u>Maximum Allowable</u>	<u>Existing</u>	<u>Proposed</u>
	35'	18'	18'
<u>Lot Area</u>	<u>Minimum Required</u>	<u>Existing</u>	<u>Proposed</u>
Landscape Open (%)	0%	69.1%	78.1%
Located in Front Yard (%)	0%	18.4%	14.7%

(*) Indicates deficiency from dimensional requirements

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS
Instructions for Petitioner

The Petitioner is advised to review the Maynard Zoning By-Laws (copy available at Town Clerk's Office), The Zoning Act (Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 40A), and these instructions, prior to filing a Petition and prior to appearing before the Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA) at a Public Hearing.

The petition must be completely and accurately filled out, and all information must be entered in the appropriate space provided before the petition will be accepted for filing. Incorrect information may result in denial of the petition.

The petition shall be reviewed by the ZBA before it is accepted as filed. The ZBA reserves the right to have the petition reviewed by the Building Commissioner, the Superintendent of Public Works, and/or the Planning Board before the same is accepted for filing.

The petition must indicate the specific section of the Zoning By-Laws for which each variance, permit, or appeal is being petitioned.

Example: "A variance is sought from Section 4-1 of the Zoning By-Laws from the front setback requirement of Twenty Five (25) feet to Twenty (20) feet".

Each specific variance, permit, or appeal being requested in the petition must be set forth in a separate paragraph of the petition to clearly indicate the different requests. Failure to so state the requests clearly may result in the petition being denied.

The petition must be accompanied by:

- a) A Plot Plan which has been prepared and stamped by a Registered Land Surveyor or Engineer. This Plan must show:
 - i. All existing buildings on the property and all proposed buildings and additions.
 - ii. Distances from structures to lot line and length of lot lines, together with all dimensions and setbacks of proposed buildings.
 - iii. In the case of a residential dwelling, the front of the dwelling as defined in the Zoning By-Laws, and must further show the location of all present or proposed driveway or vehicle access areas.
 - iv. The Plan should, but need not, denote any other significant features of the Lot depicted on the petition, such as fences, stone walls, brooks, drains, or accessory structures.
 - v. If there is significant variation in the topography of the lot which is the subject of the petition it is recommended that spot elevations be shown by the Engineer.
- b) A list of all abutters, and abutters of abutters within three hundred foot of the property line of the property affected. This list must be certified by the Board of Assessors. Failure to provide this list will result in the petition being considered incomplete. Incomplete petitions will be returned to the petitioner.
- c) An area map obtained from the Board of Assessors, showing the area in which the property is situated.
- d) A check, payable to the Town of Maynard for the appropriate filing fee plus the fee for postage (this is based on abutters list and the cost of mailing by certified mail, return receipt requested) plus the cost for advertising in the local newspaper. Please be aware that there may be additional costs for filing with the Registry of Deeds.

- e) Appropriate documentation as to the relief being sought. These are outlined in the following sections.

In the case of a **Variance**, the following points, based on Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 40A, Section 10, should be identified and factually supported on or with the petition form and verbally at the hearing:

- a) The particular Land or Structure, or the Use proposed for the Land or Structure, if any;
- b) The circumstances relating to the soil conditions, shape or topography of the Land or Structures and especially affecting the Land or Structure for which the Variance is sought which do not affect generally the Zoning District in which it is located;
- c) The facts which make up the substantial hardship, financial or otherwise, which results from the literal enforcement of the applicable zoning restrictions with respect to the Land or Structure for which a Variance is sought. (Substantial hardship is not purely economic in nature. It is insufficient to present evidence at the hearing merely showing that the value of the land in question will be affected by a lack of or denial of the requested variance.);
- d) The facts to support that the relief sought will be without substantial detriment to the public good; and that the public health and safety is not compromised by the granting of a variance;
- e) The facts to support a Finding that the relief sought may be given without nullifying or substantially derogating from the intent or purpose of the Zoning By-Laws; and
- f) Any other information pertaining to the variance which is the subject of the petition.

In the case of a **Special Permit**, the following points, based on Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 40A, Section 9, should be identified and factually supported on or with the petition form and verbally at the hearing:

- a) The particular type of Use proposed for the Land or Structure, if any;
- b) The conditions and character of operations of the proposed Use which show that it will be in harmony with the general purpose and intent of the District and the By-Laws; and
- c) The nature of the proposed Use in relation to both the general and specific provisions of the By-Laws governing that Use and the District it is located.

In the case of an **Appeal**, the following points, based on Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 40A, Section 8, should be identified and factually supported on or with the petition form and verbally at the hearing:

- a) The grounds for the appeal;

- b) Supporting documentation relative to the nature of the Appeal; and.
- c) Note: In the case of an Appeal from the action or failure to take action by the Building Commissioner, the appeal shall be filed with the Town Clerk within thirty (30) days from the date of issuance of a Permit or denial of a Permit by, or an Order, ruling, decision, or determination of, the Building Commissioner.

Failure to present evidence in one or more of the foregoing areas may result in the petition being denied by the ZBA. The ZBA cannot draw from the petitioner the necessary evidence to grant the petition if improperly presented.

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS
Petition Process

Petition Submittal

The process for filing a petition and appearing in front of the Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA) is as follows:

The Petitioner shall file the Petition for an **Appeal**, a **Variance** or a **Special Permit** with the ZBA, which will then review the Petition, and if complete, shall transmit a copy forthwith to the Town Clerk. The Petition shall consist of the completed Petition form, plot plan, area map, and other documentation as necessary to support the petition, as well as the appropriate fees. Incomplete petitions shall be returned to the petitioner.

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Notice and Hearings

Notice of ZBA hearings shall be advertised as required by the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 40A, Chapter 11:

Notice shall be given by publication in a newspaper of general circulation in the town once in each of two successive weeks, the first publication to be not less than fourteen days before the day of the hearing and by posting such notice in a conspicuous place in the town hall for a period of not less than fourteen days before the day of such hearing. Notice shall be sent by mail, postage prepaid to the petitioner, abutters, owners of land directly opposite on any public or private street or way, and abutters to the abutters within three hundred feet of the property line of the property affected.

Hearings of the ZBA shall occur as necessary at times determined by the Board, in the Hearing Room in the Town Hall or any other place specified in the meeting notice. Frequency of hearings depends on the number and type of petitions on file. Typically, the ZBA meets monthly in an evening session.

All hearings shall be open to the public. No person shall be excluded unless they are considered by the chairperson to be a “serious hindrance” to the workings of the Board.

The Petitioner may appear on their own behalf or be represented by an agent or attorney. In the absence of any appearance without due course on behalf of a Petitioner or the owner of the property affected, the Board will deny the Petition.

Order of Business:

The Hearing for each petition shall be conducted as follows:

- a) Opening of the Public Hearing
- b) Reading of the petition legal notice by the Chairperson;
- c) Presentation by Petitioner;
- d) Presentation(s) by those in support of the Petition;
- e) Presentation(s) by those in opposition to the Petition;
- f) Questions by those seeking information;
- g) Rebuttal by Applicant, restricted to matters raised by opponent’s objections;
- h) ZBA members hearing the case may direct appropriate questions during the hearing;
- i) Closure of the Public Hearing
- j) Deliberation and determination of findings by the ZBA.

Filing of Decision

After deliberation, the ZBA will reach a decision. The decision requires a favorable vote of at least four members of the ZBA to grant the petition. If the decision is to grant the petition, the ZBA shall issue a copy of its decision to the owner and to the petitioner, if other than the owner, setting forth compliance with the statutory requirements for the issuance of such variance or permit and certifying that copies of the decision and all plans referred to in the decision have been duly filed.

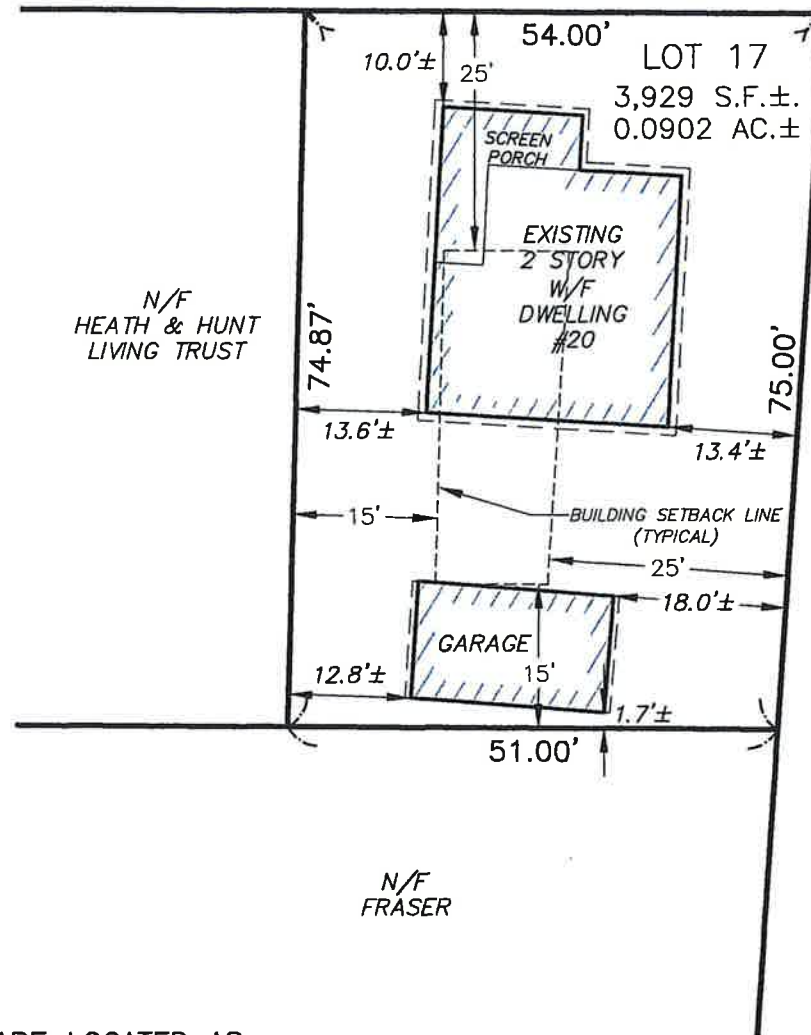
The variance or permit shall take effect after a copy of the decision bearing the certification of the Town Clerk that twenty days have elapsed after the decision has been filed in the Town Clerk’s Office.

If the decision is to deny the petition, the decision is filed in the Town Clerk’s Office. Resubmission of the same petition is then precluded from occurring for two years, per M.G.L. Chapter 40A Section 16.

In cases where an appeal is made to the ZBA under G.L. c. 40A Section 8, other rules apply. See M.G.L Chapter 40A Section 15.

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WALCOTT STREET
(PUBLIC - 33' WIDE)



LEWIS STREET
(PUBLIC - VARIABLE WIDTH)



NOTE:

LOT 17 IS NON-CONFORMING DUE TO INSUFFICIENT LOT AREA.

ZONING DISTRICT

GENERAL RESIDENCE

REFERENCE

DEED BOOK 40793 PAGE 163
END OF BOOK 4730
PLAN NO. 770 OF 1991
PLAN NO. 724 OF 1946

EXISTING CONDITIONS PLOT PLAN
IN
MAYNARD, MASSACHUSETTS
(MIDDLESEX COUNTY)

FOR: **ROHR**
SCALE: 1"=20' DECEMBER 13, 2024

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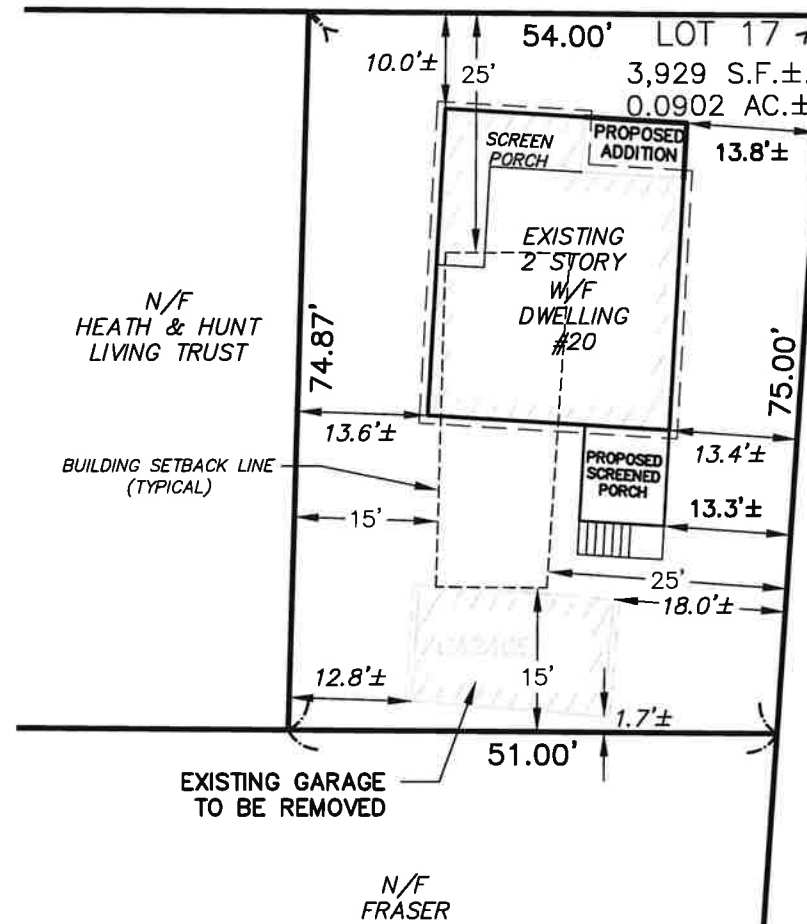


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12/13/24 *JDB*
DATE REGISTERED PROFESSIONAL LAND SURVEYOR

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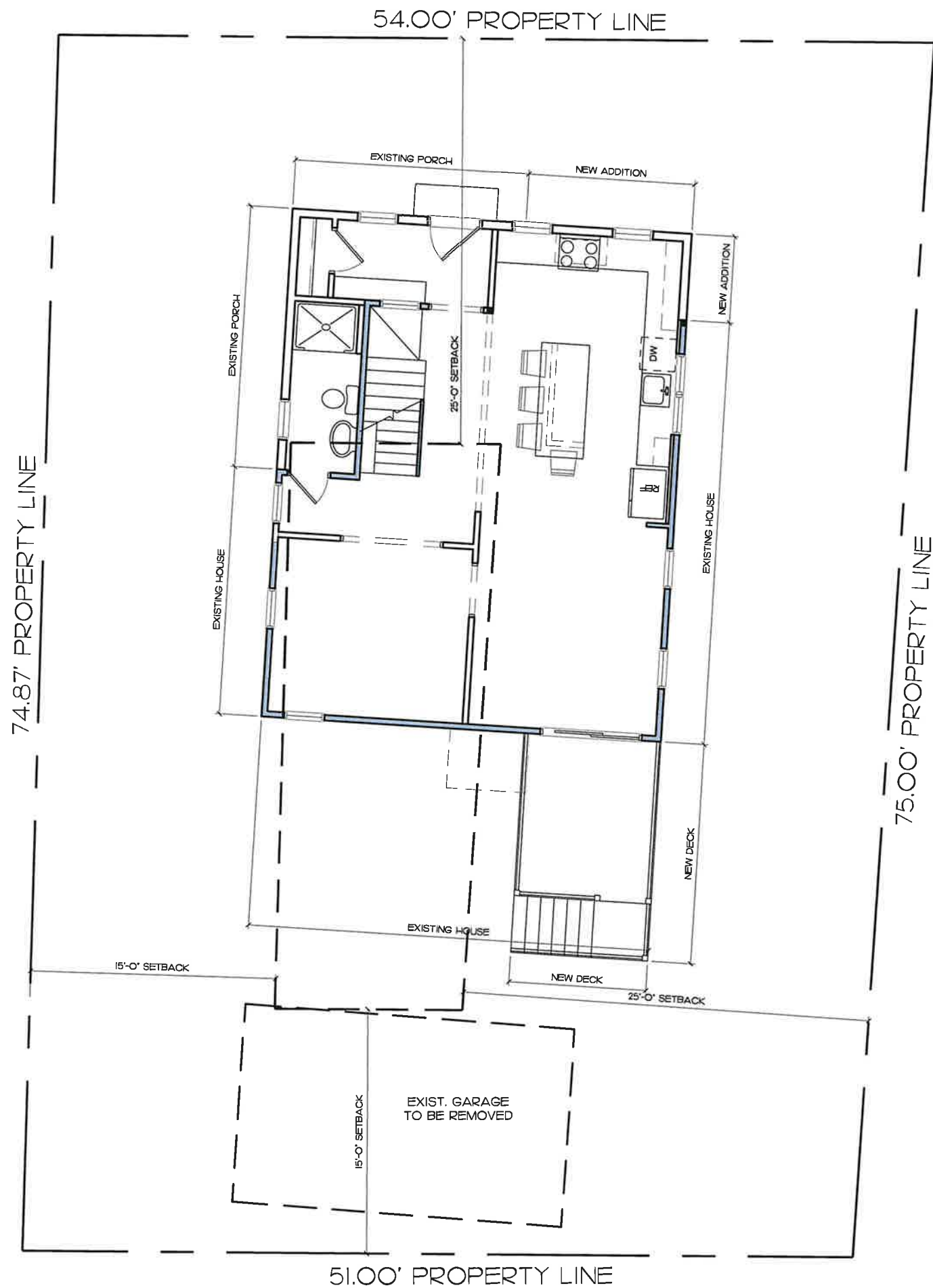
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1/24/25 *Joseph March*
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0 Site Plan
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Rohr-Solomon Residence

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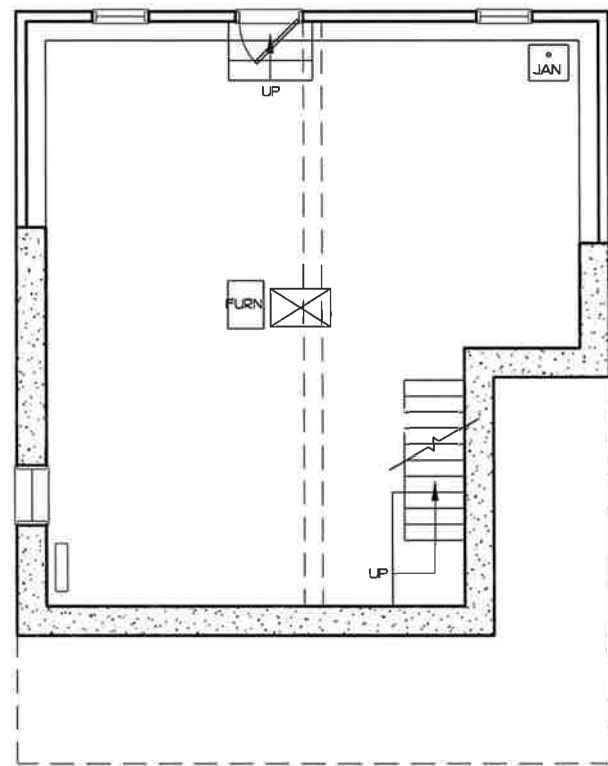
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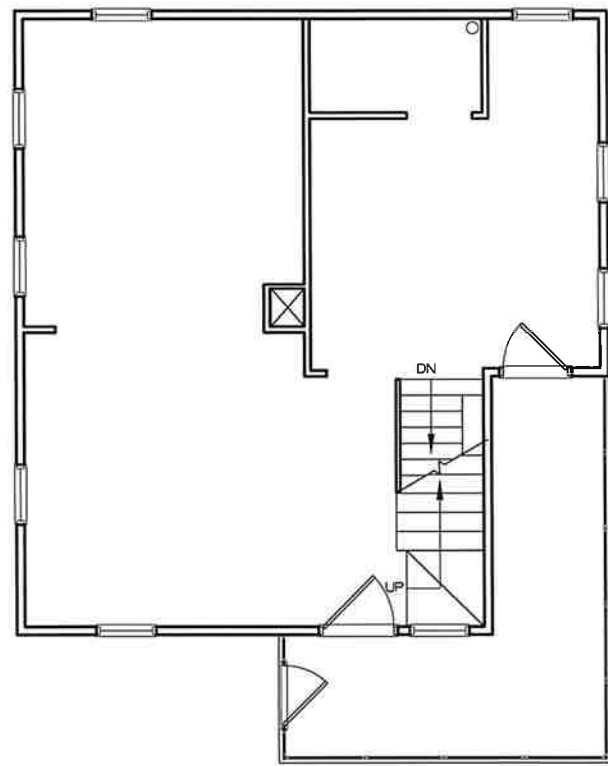
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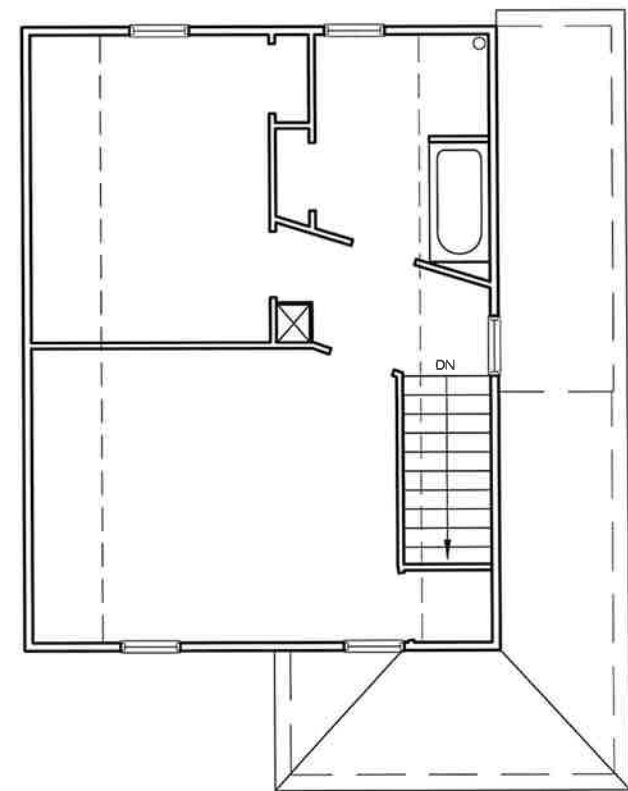
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1 Existing First Floor Plan
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2 Existing Second Floor Plan
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1 Existing Front Elevation
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2 Existing Right Side Elevation
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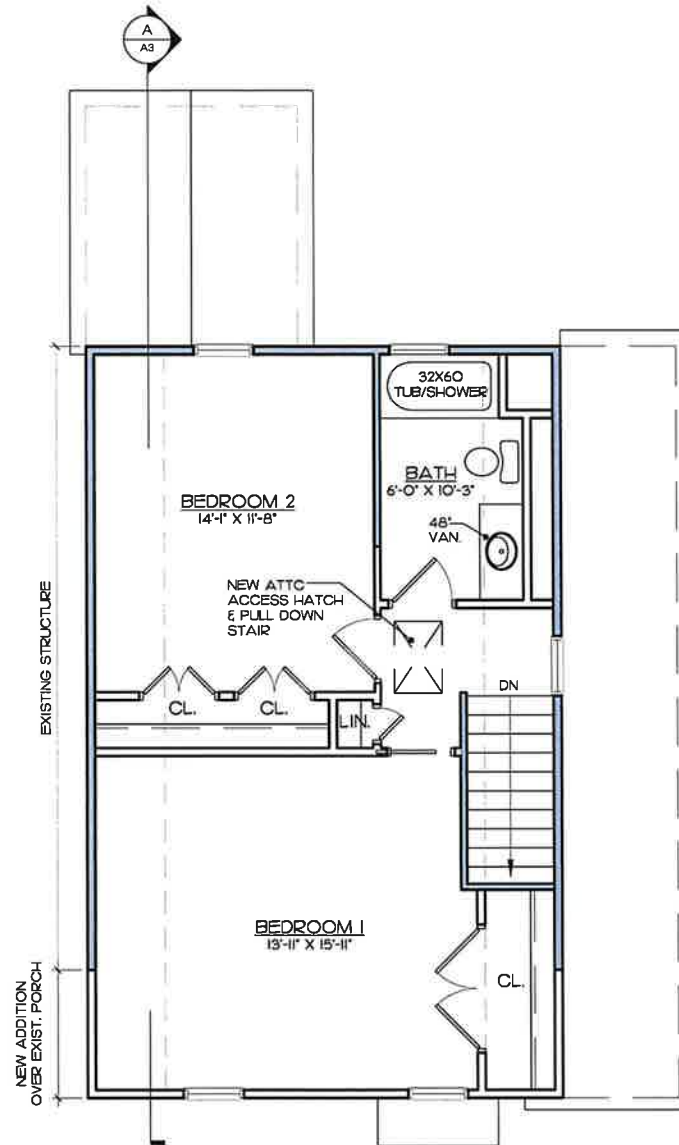
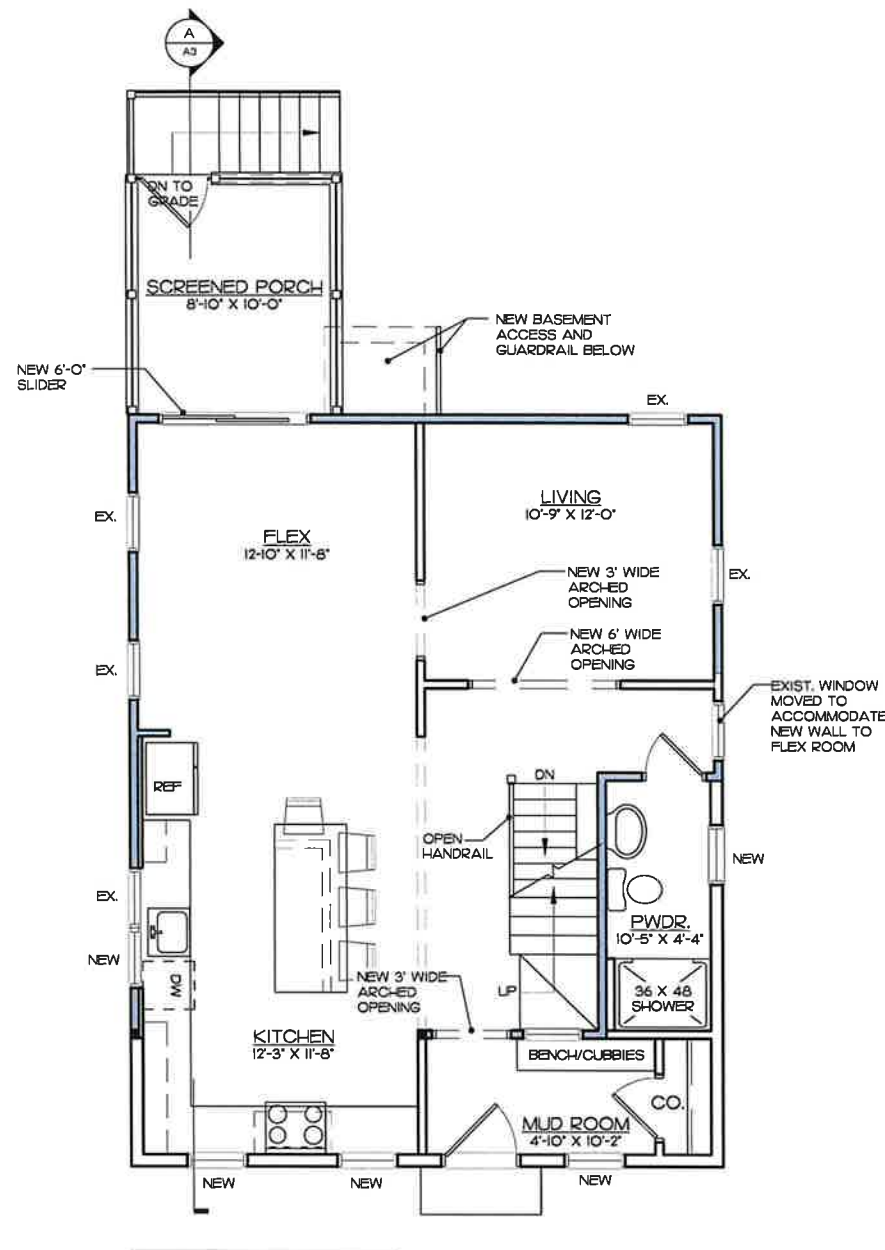
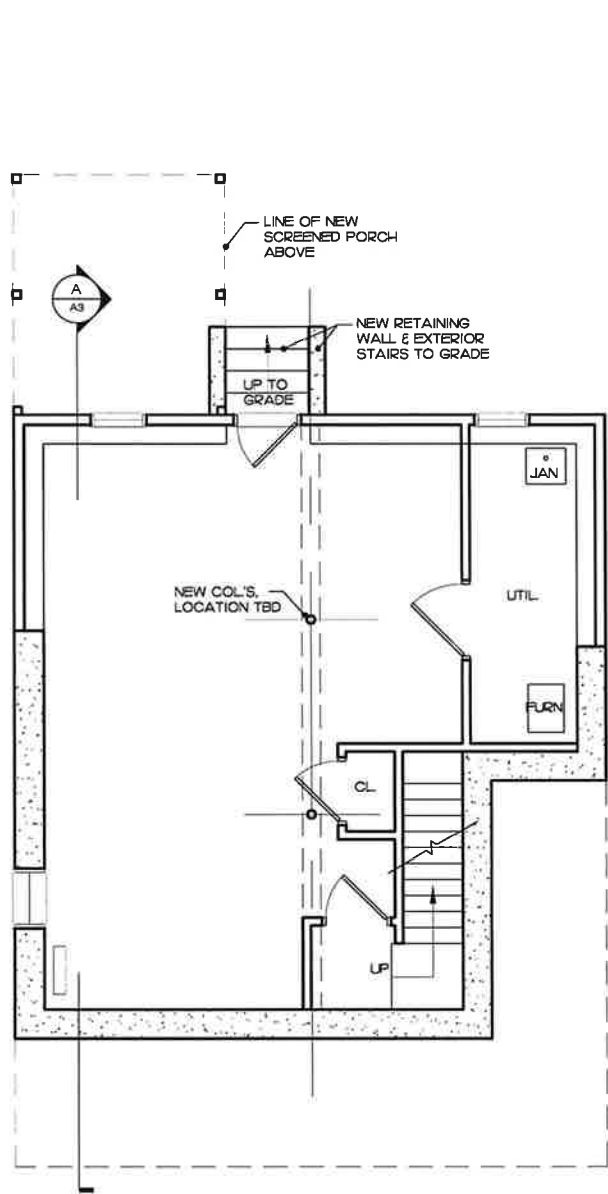
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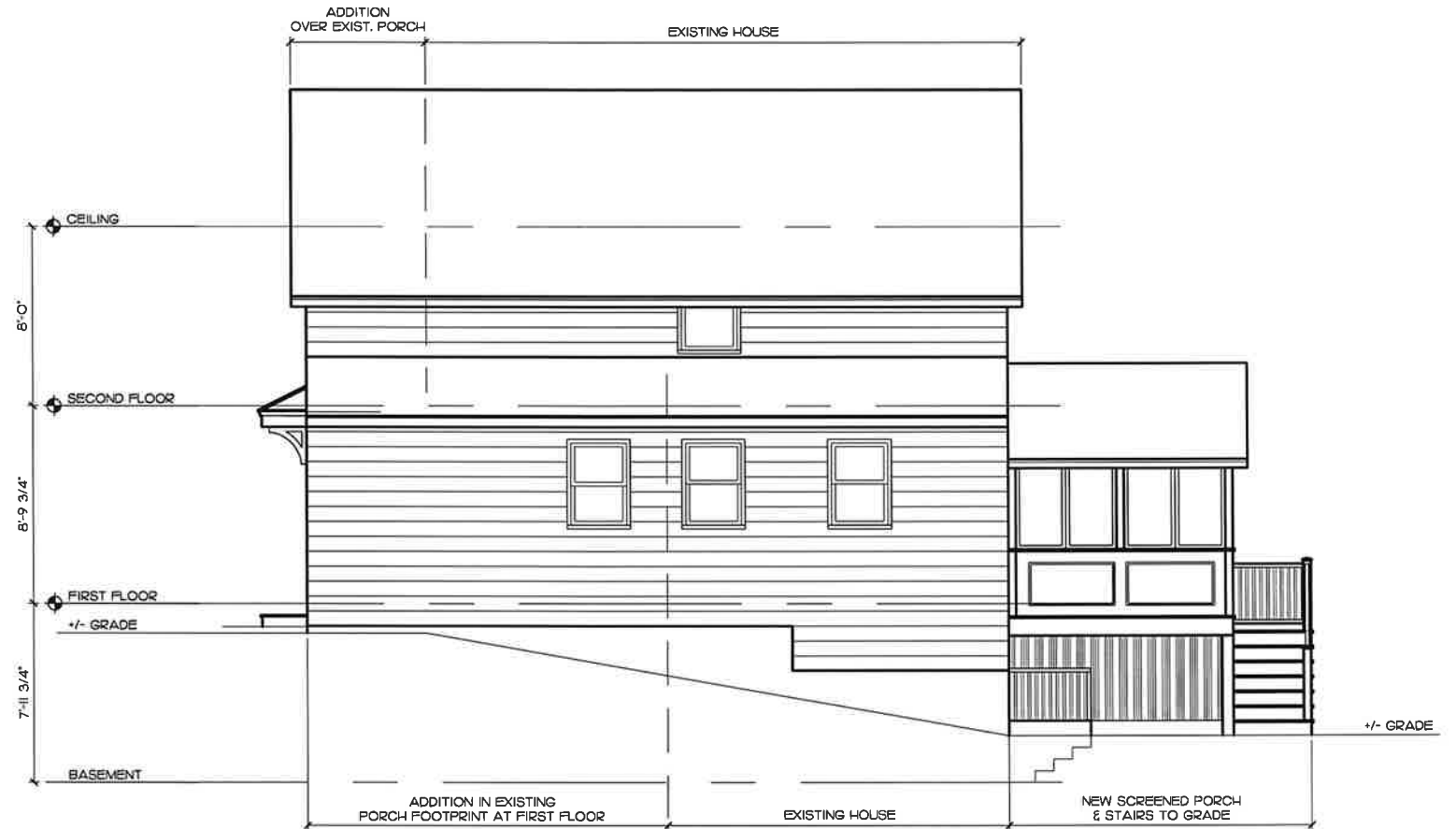
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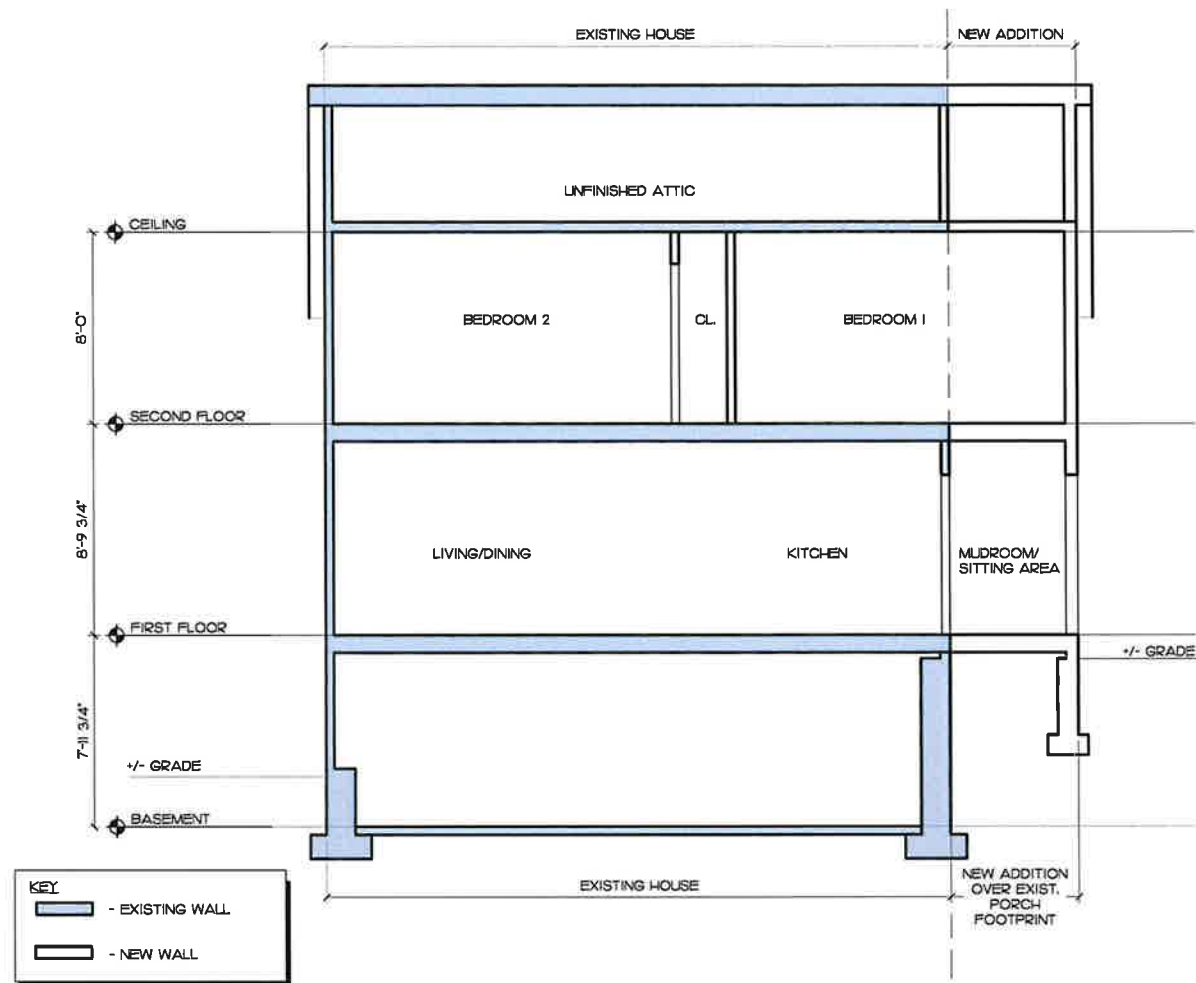
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