Portsmouth, NH - Board of Adjustment Variance Statement for: 39 Cass Street

Date: 08.20.20

Chairman of the Board of Adjustment C/O Planning Department City of Portsmouth 1 Junkins Ave. Portsmouth, NH 03801

To The Chairman of the Board of Adjustment,

Please find this statement as addressing the requirements for a variance on the proposed project located at 50 New Castle Ave.

Overview: The existing structure is a 1900's single family residence with three bedrooms and 1-3/4 bathrooms. It looks like it has undergone some minor renovations in 1970's with aluminum siding and replacement windows. The homeowners are long-time residents of Portsmouth and graduates of UNH who have one 18-month-old and another child on the way.

We are proposing a 24' deep addition by the width of the house minus 12" to accommodate a mudroom entry off the driveway, three-quarter bath and family room on the ground level that walks out to grade. On the first floor the addition will be a renovated and expanded kitchen, dining and living space and revised laundry room. And on the second floor we will make the current master bedroom smaller by creating a hallway to a new master suite with bathroom, closet and office.

We are seeking relief from the rear setback for a deck and stairs to grade.

Keeping in mind the 5 Criteria:

- 1. The new structure would be staying within the character of the neighborhood.
 - a. The houses in the neighborhood are a mix New Englanders, capes and multi-family therefore staying in character with the neighborhood.
 Our goal is to introduce more historic details to the home.
- 2. It would improve the safety and health of the homeowners and neighborhood.
 - a. Right now, there are some safety hazard concerns with the current back deck and access to the basement that we will be improving.
- 3. Substantial justice is done.
 - a. No harm will be done to the neighborhood or community should this application be granted, and justice will be done for the applicant.
- 4. The values of the surrounding properties are not diminished.
 - a. The neighborhood would improve with this proposed addition introduced into the neighborhood. As many of the houses in the

neighborhood have renovated, we will be joining the ranks of improved historic homes and upgrading our neighbor's property values.

- 5. Literal enforcement of the ordinance would result in unnecessary hardship
 - a. The existing structure has a first-floor height 21" off the sidewalk in the front of the house but will be 8'-0" off the back of the house as grade naturally slopes down from front to back of house. In order to enjoy outdoor space off the back of the house a deck is necessary with a full staircase required to get down to grade. We would like to enjoy the outside at first floor height with dining and a place for the children to play without always having to walk down a flight of stairs.
 - b. Without a garage, we are in need of outdoor storage. Underneath the deck we will be using the area with sliding barn-type doors for access.
 - c. Privacy has been a concern for the Lieto family with its location being on the footpath to Little Harbor School and Brackett Rd. The deck will allow for a privacy buffer with 6'-0" high wood panels along the pathway side setting the line of vision to the interior and patio farther away from the pathway.

We respectfully encourage the Portsmouth Board of Adjustment to grant the variance to the Lieto Residence.

Submitted respectfully,

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PHOTOS OF EXISTING PROPERTY:



FRONT ELEVATION



EAST SIDE ELEVATION



BACK ELEVATION



BACK SIDE PERSPECTIVE (showing the 4sf to be filled in)



WEST SIDE ELEVATION

OVERLAY SITE PLAN DEMO FOUNDATION FIRST FLOOR

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SCALE:

SCALED FOR: 24" × 36"

DRAWING SCALE

SHEET:







SPECIFICATIONS + NOTES

*ROOFING MATERIAL: Timberline HD Shingles in Charcoal

*ALL TRIM PACKAGE: TYP.

*SIDING: Should budget allow the ideal scenario would be to remove the aluminum siding, repair existing wood clapboards and install new cedar clapboards on the addition. Paint the entire house BM, Simply White. OPTION 2: HardiePlank Lap Siding w/ 4" exposure on addition ONLY *BRACKETS: ProWood Market - Bracket 14T3 - P 28", H:28", T: 5.5" (Ptd: WHITE)

*STAIR SYSTEM: _EXTERIOR:

*BROSCO: Liberty Extruded Rail System

*RISER: AZEC- WHITE

*TREAD: SELECTMOOD, ZURI "Weathered Grey"

*HANDRAIL: MOOD MAHOGANY RAIL *BALUSTERS: MOOD SQ WHITE 1"X1"

*DECK: MAHOGANY

*PRIVACY: TO MATCH SKETCH, UNDER DECK AS WELL (SLIDING PANELS)

*WINDOWS: All new windows throughout house if budget allows. Removing 1/1 replacement double hung windows and large picture window installed in the 1970's to a historically appropriate 2/1 double hung window with black exterior

_MANUFRACTURER: MARYIN - ELEVATE - 2/1 D.H.

_EXT. FINISH: BLACK

INT. FINISH: WHITE

*EXTERIOR PATIO: STONEWOOD EVERBLUE THERMAL BLUE

*CORNER BOARDS: TO MATCH EXISTING *WATER TABLE: TO MATCH EXISTING *RAKE BOARD: TO MATCH EXISTING *SOFFIT: TO MATCH EXISTING *WINDOW TRIM: TO MATCH EXISTING

GENERAL NOTES:

1. DO NOT SCALE DRAWINGS

2. ALL TRASH GENERATED BY THE CONTRACTOR WILL BE PLACED IN A TRASH CONTAINER PROVIDED BY THE CONTRACTOR ON SITE AT THE END OF EACH

3. VERIFY ALL DIMENSIONS, CONDITIONS, AND UTILITY LOCATIONS ON THE JOB SITE PRIOR TO BEGINNING ANY WORK OR ORDERING ANY MATERIAL. NOTIFY DESIGNER OF ANY CONFLICTS OR DISCREPANCIES IN THE DOCUMENTS IMMEDIATELY.

4. ALL ELECTRICAL AND MECHANICAL WORK SHALL BE PERFORMED BY SUB-CONTRACTOR AND COORDINATED BY THE GENERAL CONTRACTOR AND INTERIOR DESIGNER WITH RESPECT TO LIGHTING AND CEILING DETAILS.

5. COORDINATE ALL ELECTRICAL AND MECHANICAL FIXTURES TO FIT WITHIN CEILING, FLOOR, AND WALL SPACES. VERIFY LOCATIONS WITH DESIGNER.

6. IT IS THE INTENT AND MEANING OF THESE DOCUMENTS THAT THE CONTRACTOR AND EACH SUBCONTRACTOR PROVIDE ALL LABOR, TRANSPORTATION, SUPPLIES, EQUIPTMENT, ETC. TO COMPLETE THE WORK WITHIN THE RECOGNIZED STANDARDS OF THE CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY.

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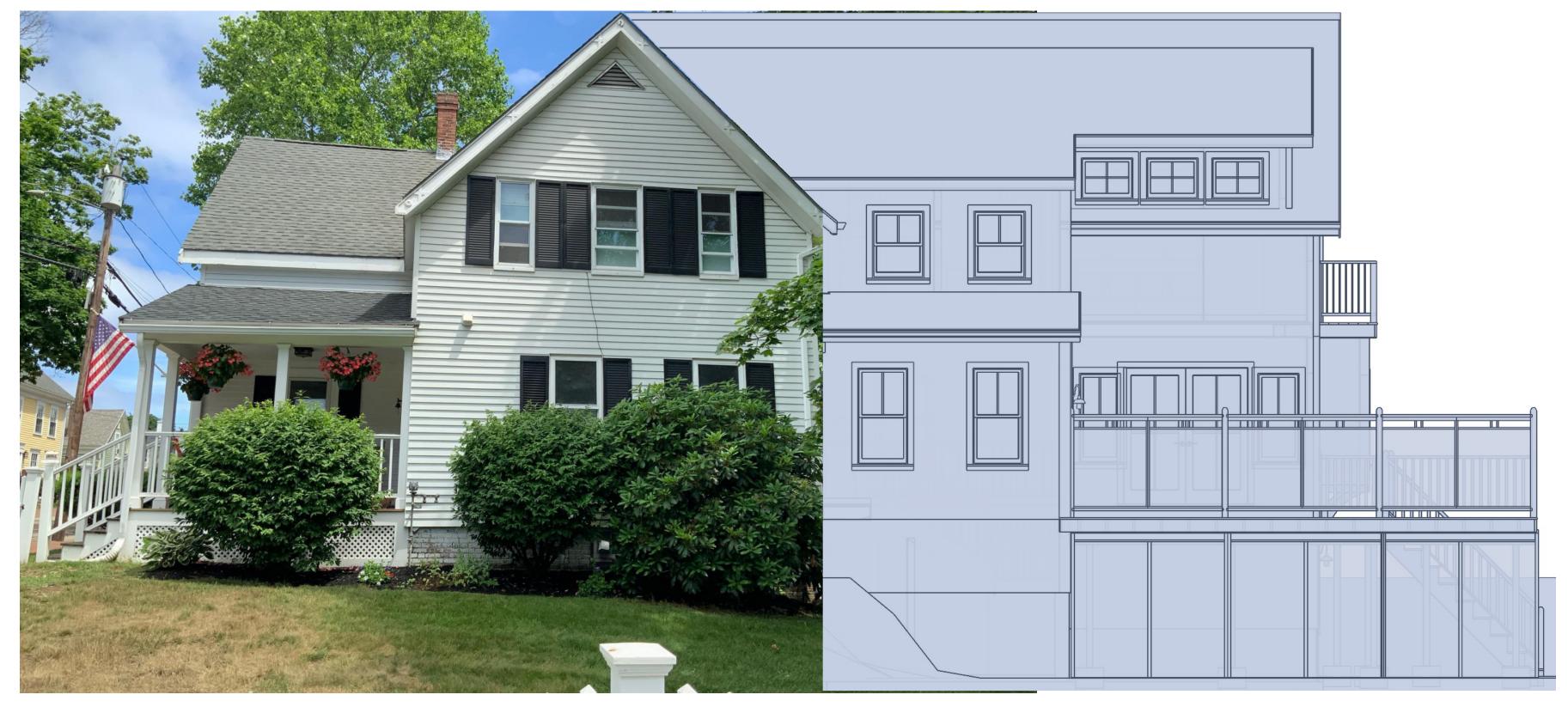
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PLASTIC WINDOW ABY WITH 2/1 WINDOW TO MATCH

REST OF HOUSE





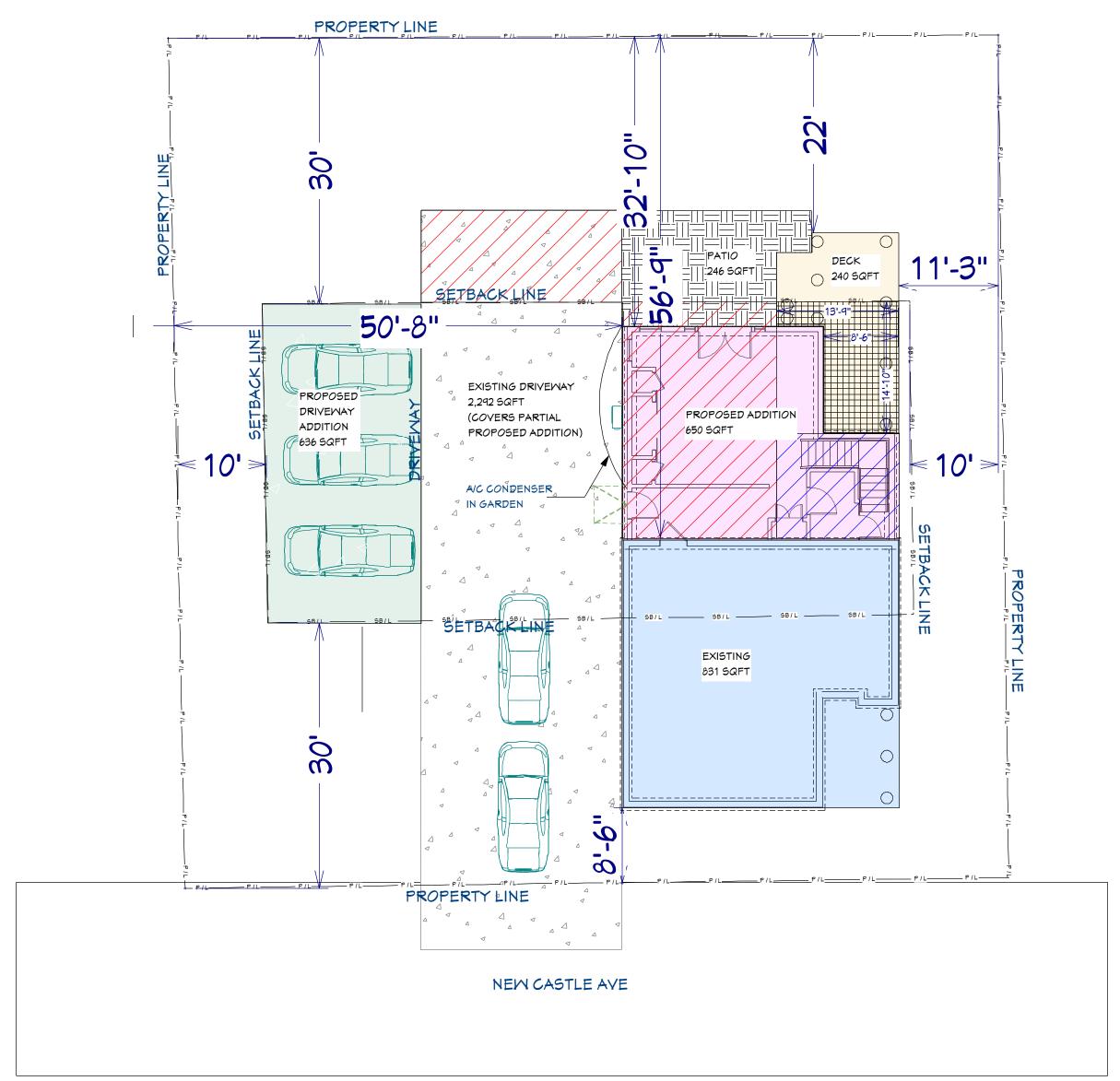
EAST ELEVATION PHOTO | SIDEVIEW

SCALE: 1/4" = 1'-0"



MEST ELEVATION PHOTO | SIDEVIEW

PROPOSED LOT COVERAGE: 18.99% PROPOSED PARCEL AREA: 0.0395 ACRES

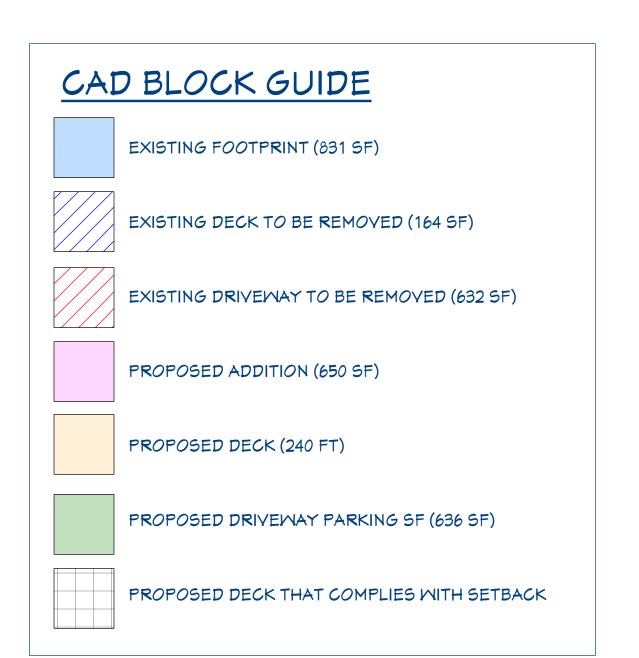


SITE PLAN

SCALE: 1" = 10'-0"



GOOGLE SATELLITE SITE





SITE PLAN

DRAWING INDEX OVERVIEW GLASS HOUSE OVERLAY

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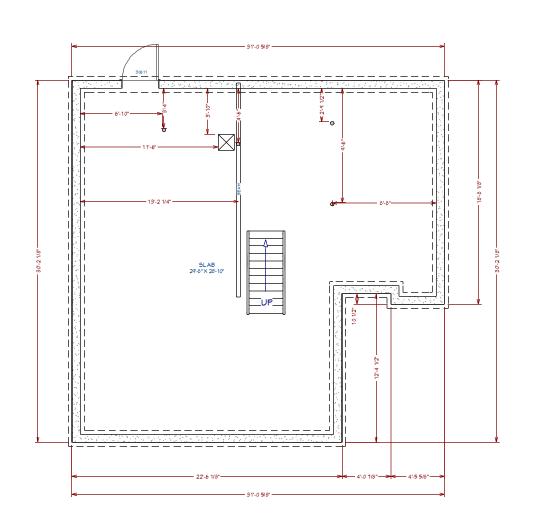
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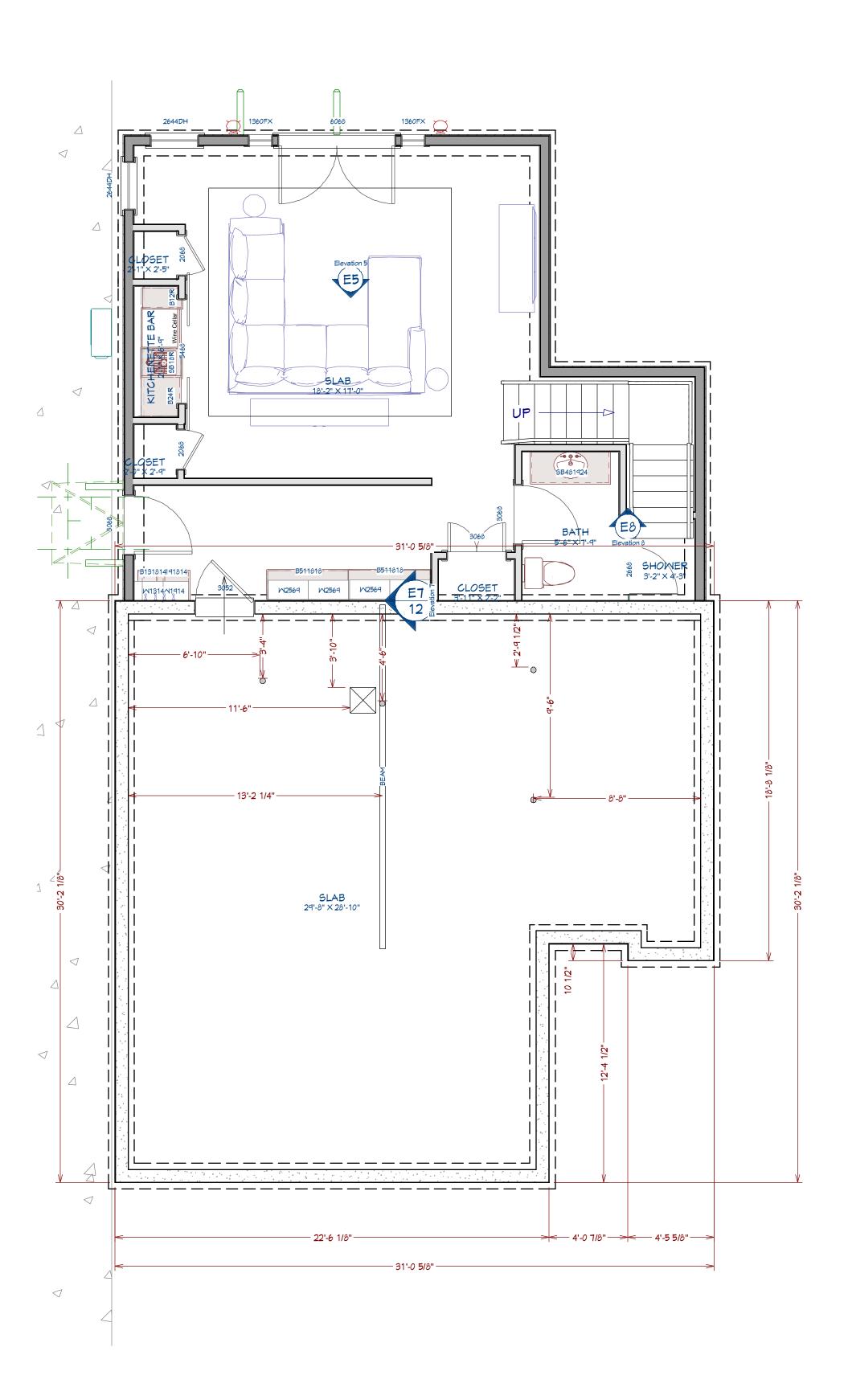
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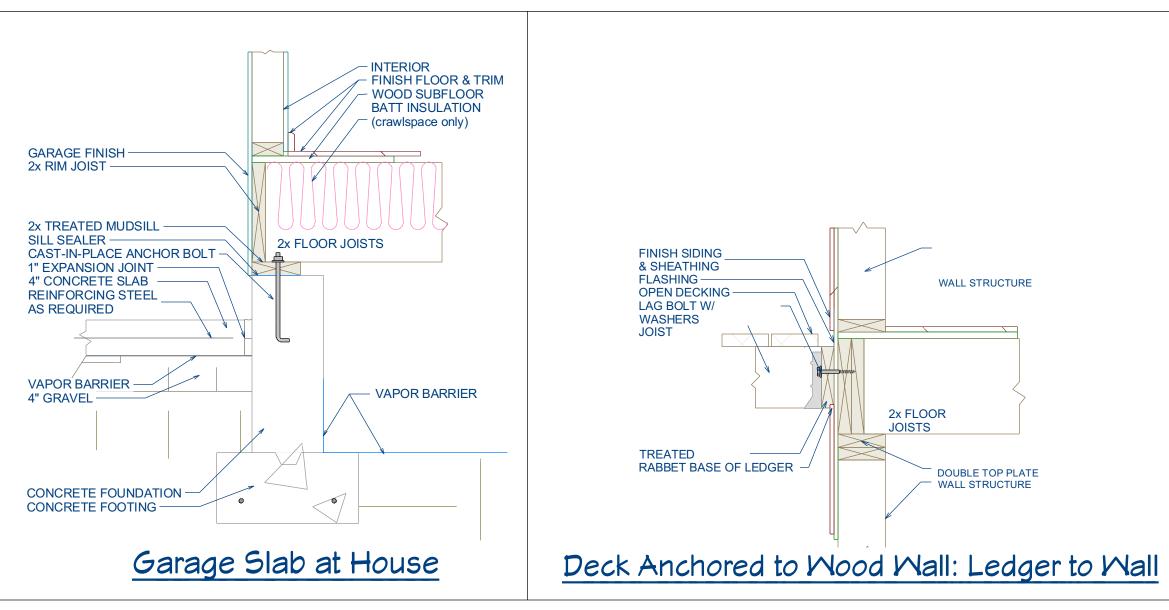
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EXISTING FOUNDATION PLAN

SCALE: 1/8" = 1'-0"





FOUNDATION DETAIL - 96" BASEMENT FOUNDATION WALL

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DRAMING150'ALE

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PROPOSED FOUNDATION PLAN

SCALE: 1/4" = 1'-0"

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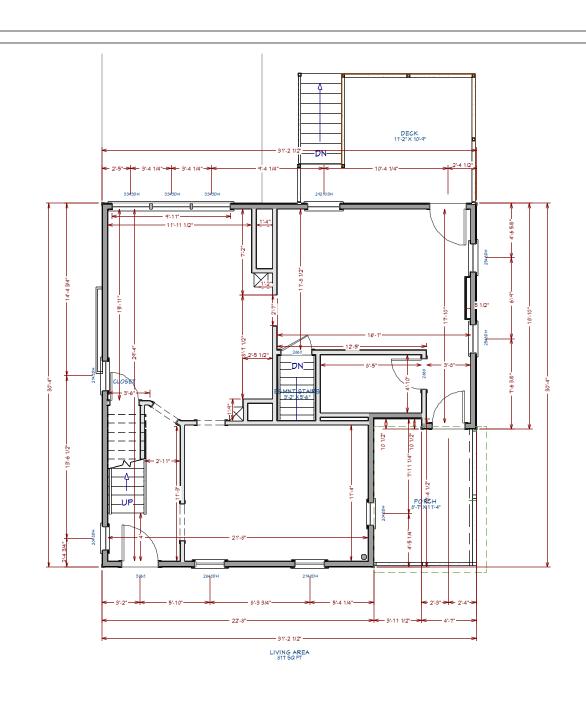
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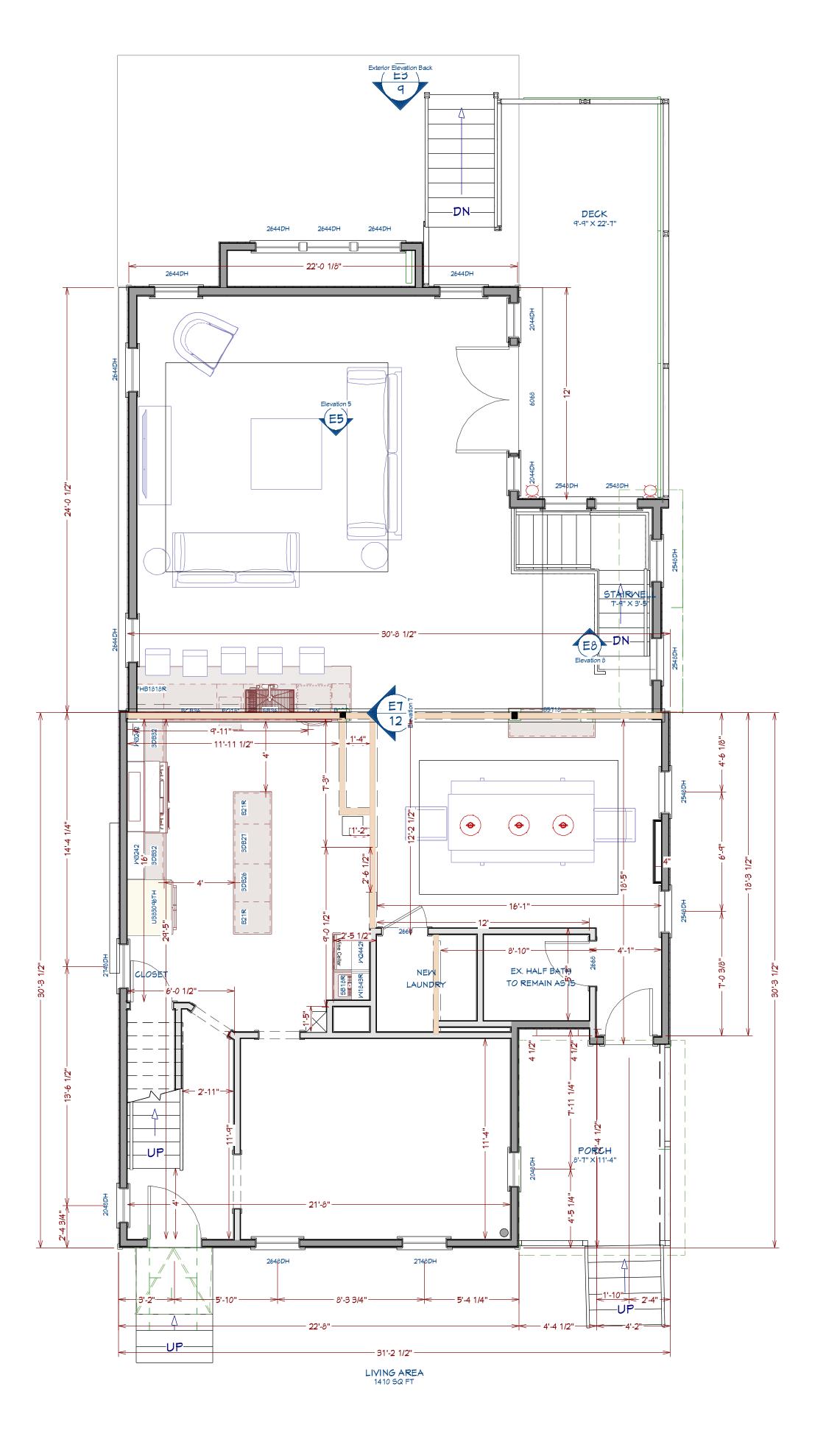
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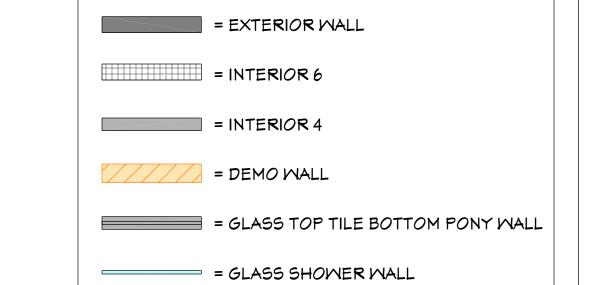
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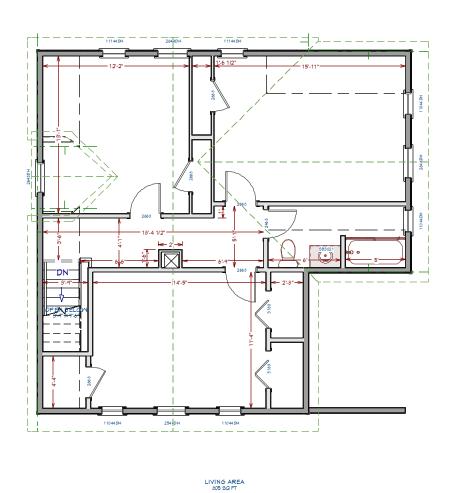
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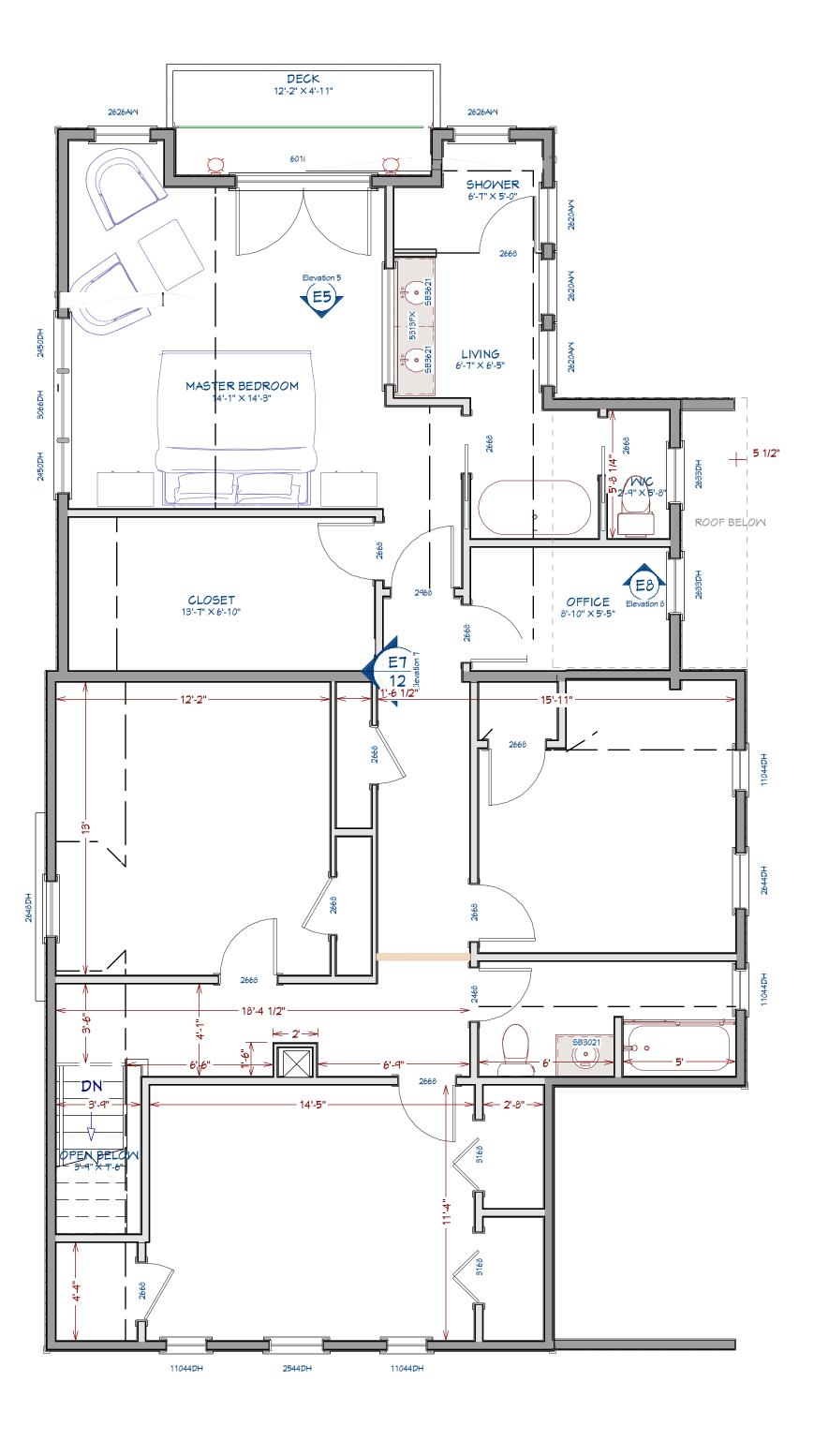
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= GLASS TOP TILE BOTTOM PONY WALL A7 SECOND FLOOR PLAN



EXISTING SECOND FLOOR PLAN

SCALE: 1/8" = 1'-0"



LIVING AREA 1380 SQ FT

PROPOSED SECOND FLOOR PLAN

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NORTH ELEVATION PHOTO | FRONT VIEW

SCALE: NOT TO SCALE



NOTE: REPLACE EXISTING FRONT DECK DOOR WITH DUTCH DOOR 2/2 LITES

NORTH ELEVATION EXISTING | FRONT VIEW (NO CHANGES)

SCALE: 1/4" = 1'-0"





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NOTE: AIR CONDENSER LOCATED ABOVE

SOUTH ELEVATION PHOTO | REAR VIEW

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SOUTH ELEVATION EXISTING | REAR VIEW

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EAST EXISTING ELEVATION | SIDEVIEW

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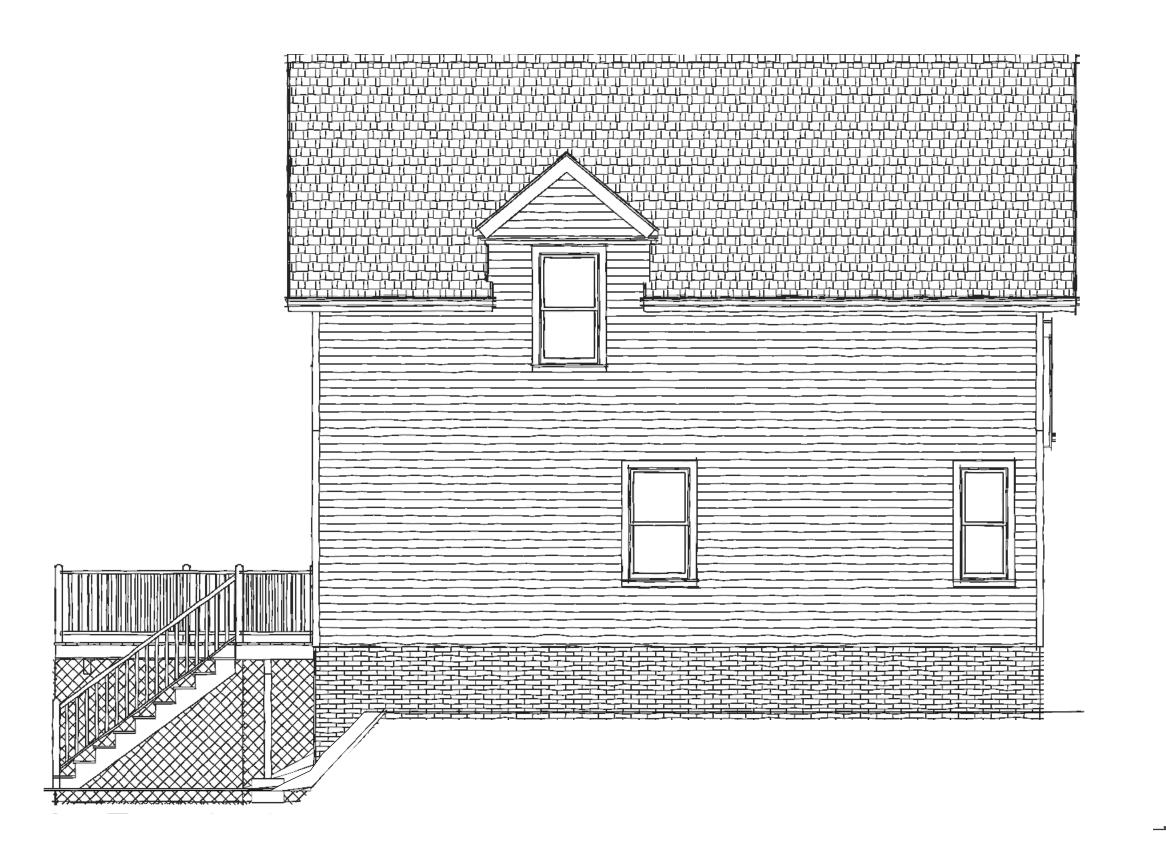
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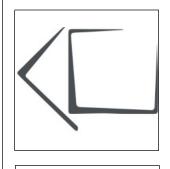


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