# CITY OF PORTSMOUTH Zoning Board of Adjustment Application

Department Use Only			Date					
Assessor Plan #	Lot #		_					
Zone	Lot area		Ву					
Fill in below by printing in ink or typing / Complete all Blanks or indicate "N/A" if not applicable								
Applicant Harry Furman 8	k Kathleen Straube	Owner of Recor	d Harry Furman	& Kathleen Straube				
Applicant Street Address 557	' State St	Owner Street A	ddress 557 State	St				
Applicant City / State / Zip Po	ortsmouth NH 03801	Owner City / St	tate / Zip Portsmo	uth NH 03801				
Applicant phone () <u>802</u>	2-578-7482	Owner phone (		7482				
Applicant e-mail kathleens	straube@ymail.com							
Location (street address) of pr	oposed work: 557 State	St, Portsmo	uth NH 03801					
Existing use: Single family								
Undersigned hereby requests:								
			Artic	ele and <u>Section</u>				
Appeal from an Administra See Article 2, Section 10.2								
Special Exception	222.20		10.320 Nonconform	ning Buildings and Structures				
See Article 2, Section 10.2  Variance	:32.20		10.521 (Dimen	sional Requirements)				
See Article 2, Section 10.2				· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·				
Other See Article 2, Section 10.2								
To permit the following:  To allow 160 Square Foot addition as part of renovations at the existing structure to maintain the existing								
non-conforming setback of 0.6' (10' minimum req. in the GRC zone) and to allow the new roof peak to be increased from the existing avg. 18'-4" to 21'-6" along the same setback. (35' max. in GRC zone).								
The undersigned alleges that to Ordinance as demonstrated in		st for granting of	this request accord	ing to the terms of the Zoning				
Only complete applications wil filled out application with origin documents or photos. Incomp scheduled for the following mo above appeal.	nal signatures, the application of the signatures applications will not be	on fee, and 12 per accepted. App	packets of required polications received a	plans and any supporting fter the deadline will be				
Kathleen Straube	DN: cn=Kathle	d by Kathleen Straube nen Straube, o, ou, emall=kathleenstra .17 14:33:59 -04'00'	aube@ymail.com, c=US	3/20/2019				
Signature of Owner				Date				
Please PRINT name here Ka	tnieen Straube							
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#### **Applicant's Responsibilities**

- 1. All applications for Variances and Special Exceptions must be submitted to the Planning Department prior to the published deadline. In the case of Appeals from an Administrative Decision, the appeal shall be filed no later than 30 days from the date of the action which is being appealed.
- 2. A Building Permit application must also be filed for the project for which zoning relief is being sought. The Building Permit application can be submitted with the Board of Adjustment application or filed prior. The Planning Department may waive this requirement when the application is for a substandard lot for subdivision purposes and no other zoning relief is required.
- 3. An applicant shall be one of the following: a) the owner of record of the property, or b) the holder of a valid purchase and sales agreement for the purchase of the subject property, or c) the holder of a valid option for the purchase of the subject property.
- 4. All applications shall include a written statement explaining how the request complies with the requirements of the Zoning Ordinance as provided in Article 2 (see Section 10.234.30 for Administrative Appeals, Section 10.233.20 for Variances, Section 10.232.20 for Special Exceptions).
- 5. It is the obligation of the applicant to submit adequate plans and exhibits in accordance with the terms of the Zoning Ordinance for all applications for Administrative Appeals, Variances, Special Exceptions, and Equitable Waivers.
- 6. For applications requesting dimensional relief, the minimum requirements for adequate plans shall include the following:
- Scale of all drawings and plans (the scale is the ratio of the Site Plan(s) showing existing and proposed conditions including: drawing's size relative to the actual size) Labeled photo(s) of existing conditions - Front, side and rear setback / vard dimensions (this Building plans and elevations of any proposed structures or is the distance from a structure to the lot line) additions - Lot dimensions Interior floor plans for any renovations or expansion to - Abutting street(s) and street names - Driveways / accessways existing structures - Dimensions (size and height) of structures - Dimensions and location of parking spaces
- 7. For applications requesting relief from land use requirements, the minimum requirements for adequate plans shall include the following:
- Site Plan showing dimensions and location of parking spaces including the scale (the scale is the ratio of the drawing's size relative to the actual size)
   Interior floor plans and/or exterior site plans showing the location of the proposed use(s)
   Labeled photo(s) of existing conditions
- 8. Plans should be 8 ½" x 11" in size, 11" x 17" plans may be used only if the plan would otherwise be unreadable.
- 9. The Planning Department is authorized by the Board of Adjustment to refuse applications which do not meet these minimum requirements. The Planning Department may also require additional information and/or exhibits as needed to illustrate the scope of the project. Public Hearings shall not be scheduled, advertised or held until such time as the minimum requirements for adequate plans have been submitted. The Board may postpone any application requiring more information prior to any action being taken.
- 10. The applicant shall submit one (1) original and eleven (11) copies of the application and any plans, exhibits, and supporting documents.
- 11. The applicant shall provide electronic files in Portable Document Format (PDF) of all submittals. An applicant may request a waiver from this requirement. The request should be made in writing to the Planning Director one week prior to the submission deadline and should explain why the applicant is unable to provide electronic files.

I have read the above list of responsibilities, have provided all required information, and such information is current, accurate, and complete to the best of my knowledge.

#### Kathleen Straube

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(Applicant's Signature, date)

The Applicant is encouraged to consider the following when completing the application:

- Provide neat and clear plans
- Use of color or highlights is encouraged in order to identify pertinent areas on plans
- Applicants are encouraged to review the application with a member of the Planning Department staff prior to submittal
- All applicants are encouraged to discuss the project with impacted neighbors

March 22nd 2019

I authorize Laurie Soave @ BellSoave Architects to submit my application for 557 State Street renovations.

Kathleen Straube

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## **Ruilding Parmit Application**

ADDITIONS / RENOVATIONS Commercial or Residential							
Office Use: Cost of All Construction: \$	Fee: \$ Chk #: Cash:						
Zoning District: HD: DOD: Map #:	Lot #: Building Permit #:						
	lanks or indicate "N/A" if not applicable.						
PROPERTY OWNER	PERMIT APPLICANT						
Name: Harry Furman & Kathleen Straube	Name: Harry Furman & Kathleen Straube						
Address: 557 State St	Address: 557 State St						
City: Portsmouth State: NH Zip: 03801	City: Portsmouth State: NH Zip: 03801						
Phone: 802-578-7482 Cell Phone:	Phone: 802-578-7482 Cell Phone:						
E-mail: kathleenstraube@ymail.com	E-mail: kathleenstraube@ymail.com						
Address of Construction: 557 State St, Portsmouth NH 03801 Unit #:							
Contractor Name: (in process of bidding) Phone:							
Brief Description of Existing Use(s): single family residence							
Brief Description of Proposed Work: New roof and renovation of existing first floor kitchen, second floor bedroom & bathroom							
within existing footprint.							
	n on site plans submitted with this application.						
Lot Area (sq. feet): 5,695							
Existing Buildings / Structures	Proposed Buildings / Structures						
Building Size* Area of	Building Size* Area of						
Components (length/ Footprint Height	Components (length / Footprint Height						
/ Structures width) (sq ft)	/ Structures width) (sq ft)						
Main House imegular X 872 avg: 23'-2"	Main House irregular X 872 avg: 23'-2"						

Existing Buildings / Structures			Proposed Buildings / Structures				
Building Components / Structures	Size* (length / width)	Area of Footprint (sq ft)	Height	Building Components / Structures	Size* (length / width)	Area of Footprint (sq ft)	Height
Main House	irregular X	872	avg: 23'-2"	Main House	irregular X	872	avg: 23'-2"
Rear Extension	irregular X	456	avg: 18'-4"	*Rear Extension	irregular X	456	avg. 21'-6"
Carriage House	16'6" X 20'6"	338	avg: 17'-10"	Carriage House	16'6" X 20'6"	338	avg: 17'-10"
2 unroofed decks	X	237		2 unroofed decks	X	237	
	<b>X</b>			*Adding 160 s.f.	X		
	X			second story	X		
	X			addition with no	X		
	X			change in footprint.	x		
	SUM =	= 1903			SUM	= 1903	
Total No	on-Residential (	Gross Floor Area	0	Total New No	on-Residential	Gross Floor Area	0
	# of ]	Residential Units	1		# of New	Residential Units	s 0
Total Paved Are	ea (exclude buil	ding / structures)	1385		Total	New Paved area	: 0
	Total Park	ring (# of spaces)	4		То	otal New Parking	: 0

<sup>\*</sup> If structures are irregular in size, write "irregular" and fill the foundation square foot area under "Area".

#### ADDITIONS / RENOVATIONS (cont.)

#### **Existing Conditions**

Setbacks (distance from closest point to lot line)

Front 07.9' ft. Side 13.5' ft. Side 00.6' ft. Rear 35.6' ft.

Distance from Wetlands (distance from closest point)

Inland NA ft. Coastal NA ft.

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#### Expanded description of work: Interior renovations of existing kitchen and laundry room at 1st floor;

Renovation of existing bedroom and bathroom at second floor including 160 square foot addition over existing space;

Replace existing roof over area of renovations. All work intended to keep existing exterior walls in place.

Renovations needed to replace leaking roof, 2nd floor rot from leaking roof, replace outdated and ill fitting bathroom, update kitchen

#### **Exterior Signs**

Exterior signs require a separate permit – please complete the sign permit application form.

#### **Special Note for Food Service Establishments**

Food service occupancies require the review of several city departments. The Portsmouth web site contains submittal information for applicants wanting to establish new food service uses or doing modifications to existing food service uses. Such modifications may include kitchen or dining area work, or changes to the cook line equipment layout. It is vital, that supporting documents be submitted with this application explaining the scope of work or modifications to be undertaken. Usually such supporting information is in the form of accurately drawn plans or sketches and equipment cut sheets. Without detailed documentation, this application cannot be processed expeditiously. Refer to: www.cityofportsmouth.com/inspection/permitappforms for the food service guidelines.

#### **Construction Information**

A full set of construction plans must be submitted with this application. The plans must show a dimensioned layout of all rooms and spaces in enough detail to determine building code compliance with the proposed construction. The following is a list of specific items to be included with the plans and specifications. Some of this information may not be applicable.

#### Commercial

- ☐ IBC plan review check sheet. (For all Types 1 and 2 Buildings)
- ☐ Drawings showing existing and new structures/additions.
- ☐ Life Safety Plan, showing all Occupancy Classifications, Occupant Loads and Means of Egress components.
- ☐ All interior and exterior stair details showing tread depth, riser height, and handrail and guardrails.
- ☐ Sections and details showing all construction materials.
- ☐ Fire rated assemblies with UL design numbers.
- ☐ Accessibility design details.
- ☐ Insulation amounts on all exterior walls, ceilings and roofs.
- ☐ Structural loads including: live, snow, wind and seismic.
- ☐ Foundation, floor, and framing plans of each story plus roof.
- ☐ Special Inspection Program documents.
- ☐ Any features unique to the project.

### Residential Foundation plan including anchor bolt / strap information

- Floor plan of each story (show attic access locations).
- Framing plan of each story including sizes and spacings of joists and beams.
- Roof framing plan including sizes and spacings of rafters and roofing materials.
- If cathedral ceiling design, provide supporting ridge details.
- Framing cross sections where applicable.
- Accessibility design details.
- Wall sections, showing all wall materials, including headers sizes.
- Bedroom window sizes and if "tilt-clean" style.
- Insulation amounts on all exterior walls and ceilings (including basement)
- ☐ All interior and exterior stair details showing tread depth, riser height, and handrail and guardrails.
- Location of hard wired smoke and carbon monoxide detectors.

#### ADDITIONS / RENOVATIONS (cont.)

#### **Additional Construction Information**

Provide information on various additional trades or features listed below:  Sewerage System: City Sewer? - Subsurface? - State Septic Permit Number  City Water? - State Well Permit Number:  Plumbing Contractor: (Separate Permit/Plans Required)  Mechanical Contractor: (Separate Permit/Plans Required)  Electrical Contractor: (Separate Permit/Plans Required)  Fire Sprinkler System?: - Separate Permit/Plans Required)  Fire Alarm System?: - (Separate Permit/Plans Required)								
Is this a RESIDENTIAL dwelling built before 1978? YES Is this a COMMERCIAL structure built before 1978 that will be used for CHILD CARE OCCUPANCY? NO If yes to either of the above, are you an EPA certified RRP contractor? -								
Note: Painting and remodeling in <u>dwellings</u> and commercial <u>child care occupancies</u> built before 1978 require all work to be in conformance with Federal EPA rules concerning lead paint. All contractors shall be certified as required by these rules.								
National Flood Insurance Program Data: Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM) Community Number: 330139  Map Panel Number: Base Flood Elevation (BFE): 9 feet (NGVD)  Elevation of lowest floor (including basement): feet (NGVD) Elevation Certificate Submitted								
* If addition is NOT located in a Special Flood Hazard Area (SFHA) check here:   * If addition IS located in a SFHA based on the FIRM, but a land survey shows the property is either outside the floodplain or the actual elevation of the lowest floor level is above the BFE, then a Letter of Map Amendment (LOMA) should be completed by the owner and/or design professional.								
<b>NOTE:</b> If the building addition is within the SFHA, an <i>Elevation Certificate</i> and a <i>Floodproofing Certificate</i> are required to be completed by a licensed design professional.								
Cost of All Construction: \$ 120,000								
I certify that the information given is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. <i>No change from the information in this application will be made without approval of the Building Inspector</i> . Construction activities shall not commence until the Building Permit is issued.								
I realize that when all necessary approvals have been acquired, a Building Permit may be granted by the Building Inspector to allow construction in conformance with this application and the plans/specifications submitted in support of said construction only.								
I further acknowledge that the proposed structure shall not be occupied or otherwise utilized without the issuance of a Building Certificate of Occupancy and only after all necessary inspections have been requested and completed. I am also aware that the disposal of waste generated from this project is my responsibility and not part of the City's Trash/Recycling Program.								
Kathleen Straube DN: cn=Kathleen Straube, o, ou, email=kathleen Straube@ymail.com, c=US								
Signature of Applicant  Date  Date  If Not Owner, State Relationship								
Plans Submitted: Site Floor Framing Electrical Plumbing Mechanical RolledOther								

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Board of Adjustment 1 Junkins Ave. Portsmouth, NH 03801

Zoning Board of Adjustment Request for Variance/or Special Exception of Dimensional Requirements

Property: 557 State St. Portsmouth, NH 03801

Owners: Kathleen Straube & Harry Furman

557 State St. Portsmouth, NH 03801

kathleenstraube@ymail.com

802-578-7482

To the Board of Adjustment Committee,

Our property is in need of partial repairs for a leaky roof and the replacement of the second floor area due to water damage from the roof leaks and a much needed updating and repairs of the existing second floor bathroom. The renovation work will maintain the existing foundation and exterior walls along the existing structure at the property line. Only the roof and interiors will be demolished and rebuilt for the renovations. Exterior work will include replacing existing wood clapboard siding to match the existing. All of the renovation area is at the rear of the house and not visible from the street.

Per Town of Portsmouth Zoning the property at 557 State St. is **GRC**. The house was built in 1836 and falls outside of the historic district. The existing property side setback of 0.6′ is non-conforming per Section 10.521 Table of Dimensional Standards side setback requirement of 10′.

The request is to add 160sf to the second floor and to replace the low hip roof with a steeper pitch roof at 24′-6″ which is under the required 35′ height requirement. The new roof is intended to be more in character with the other existing hip roofs on the house. The second floor existing bathroom is extremely narrow and cannot be renovated to meet current clearance requirements without encroaching on the existing bedroom square footage. Maintaining the dimensional requirements would result in the unnecessary hardship of decreased value of the house due to the loss of either the existing bath or bedroom space.

We are requesting a variance/or special exception for relief of the dimensional requirements to add massing of 160sf at the second floor along the existing side setback to accommodate the bathroom renovation and to install a new hip roof over this area.

We submit that the variance/or special exception, if granted, meets the following variance criteria:

- 1-2. The spirit of the ordinance is observed and the variance is not contrary to the public interest. The changes will not alter the essential character of the house or locality, nor pose a threat to public health, safety or welfare.
- 3. Substantial justice is done. The changes pose no harm to the general public or individuals.
- 4. The values of the surrounding properties are not diminished. The changes maintain the existing rooms as listed whereas the reduction of either the bedroom or bathroom would diminish the value of the existing property.
- 5. Enforcement of the ordinance would result in the unnecessary hardship as noted above. Owing to the special condition of the existing property as-built as non-compliant for current zoning side setback, the property cannot be reasonably repaired and renovated within its current use in strict conformance with the current ordinance.

Sincerely,

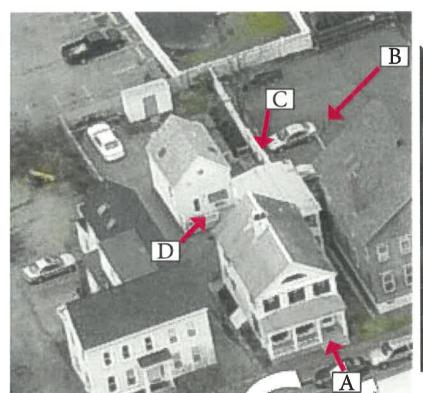
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A Existing view from street front



Existing view from above



C Existing view from abutter rear parking lot



B Existing view from abutting neighbor and parking lot



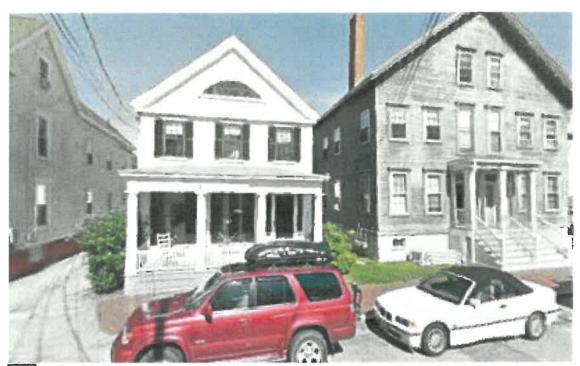
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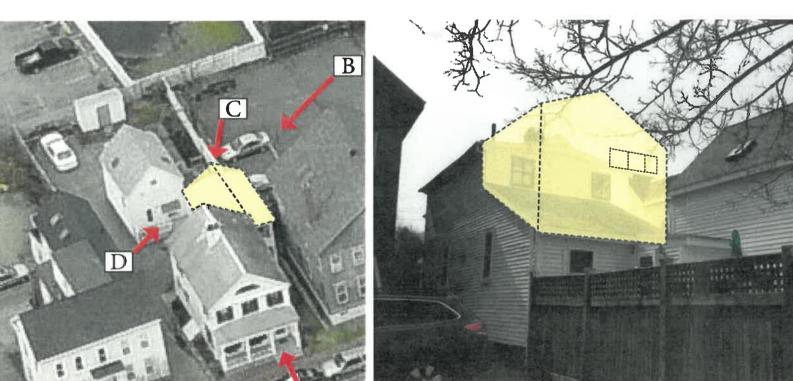
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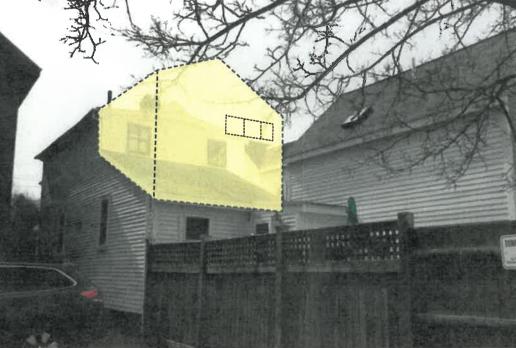
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A No visible view of changes from street front



View from above showing extent of new work area



C View from abutter rear parking lot



B View from abutting neighbor and parking lot

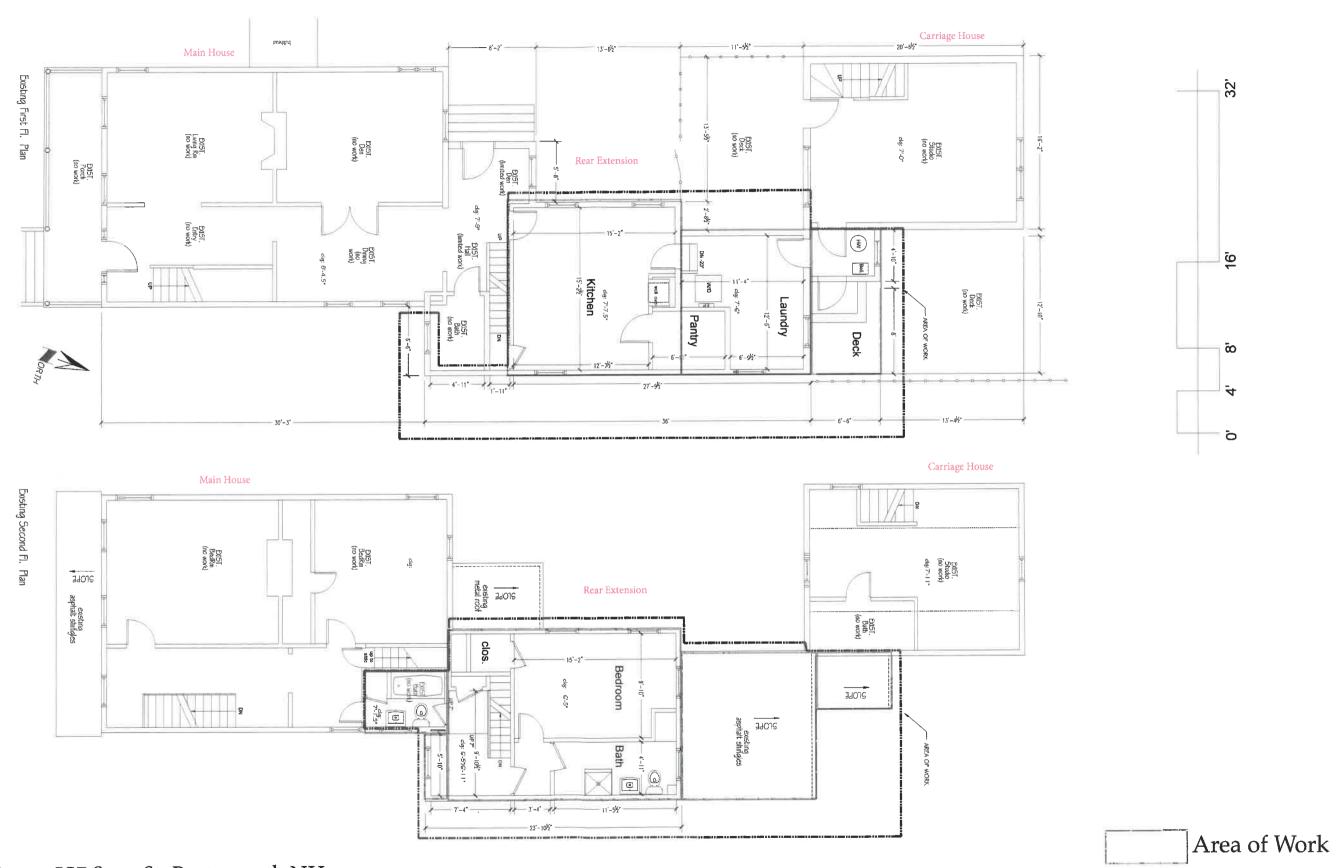


D View from abutter along west driveway

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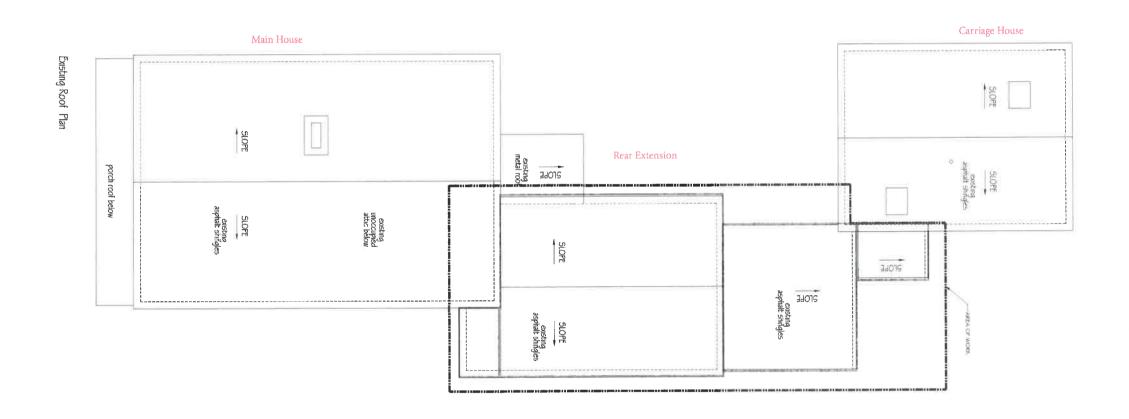
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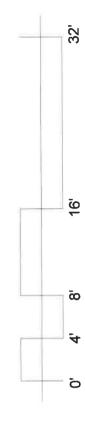
Area of new massing at proposed roof line and added 160sf at 2nd floor



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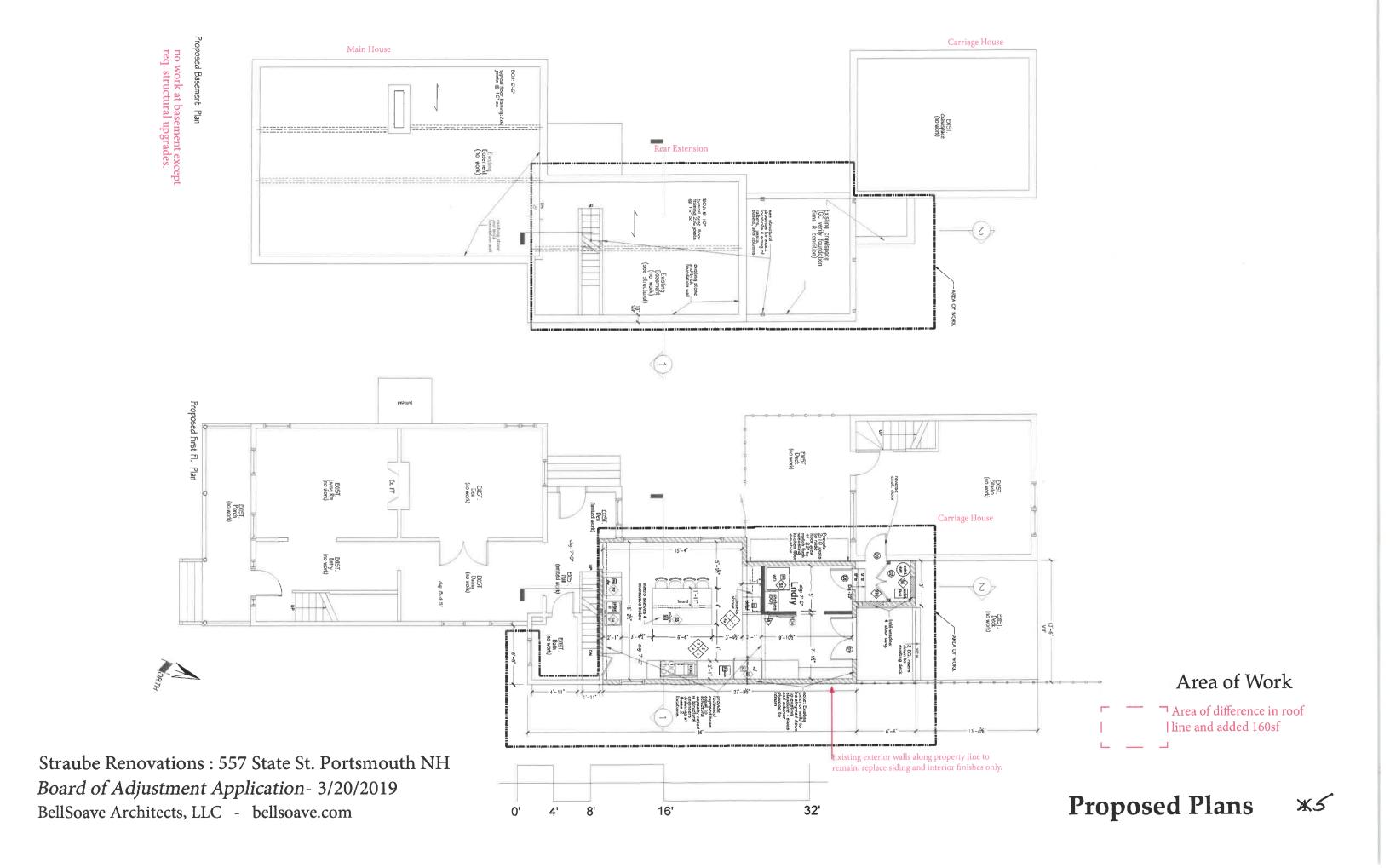


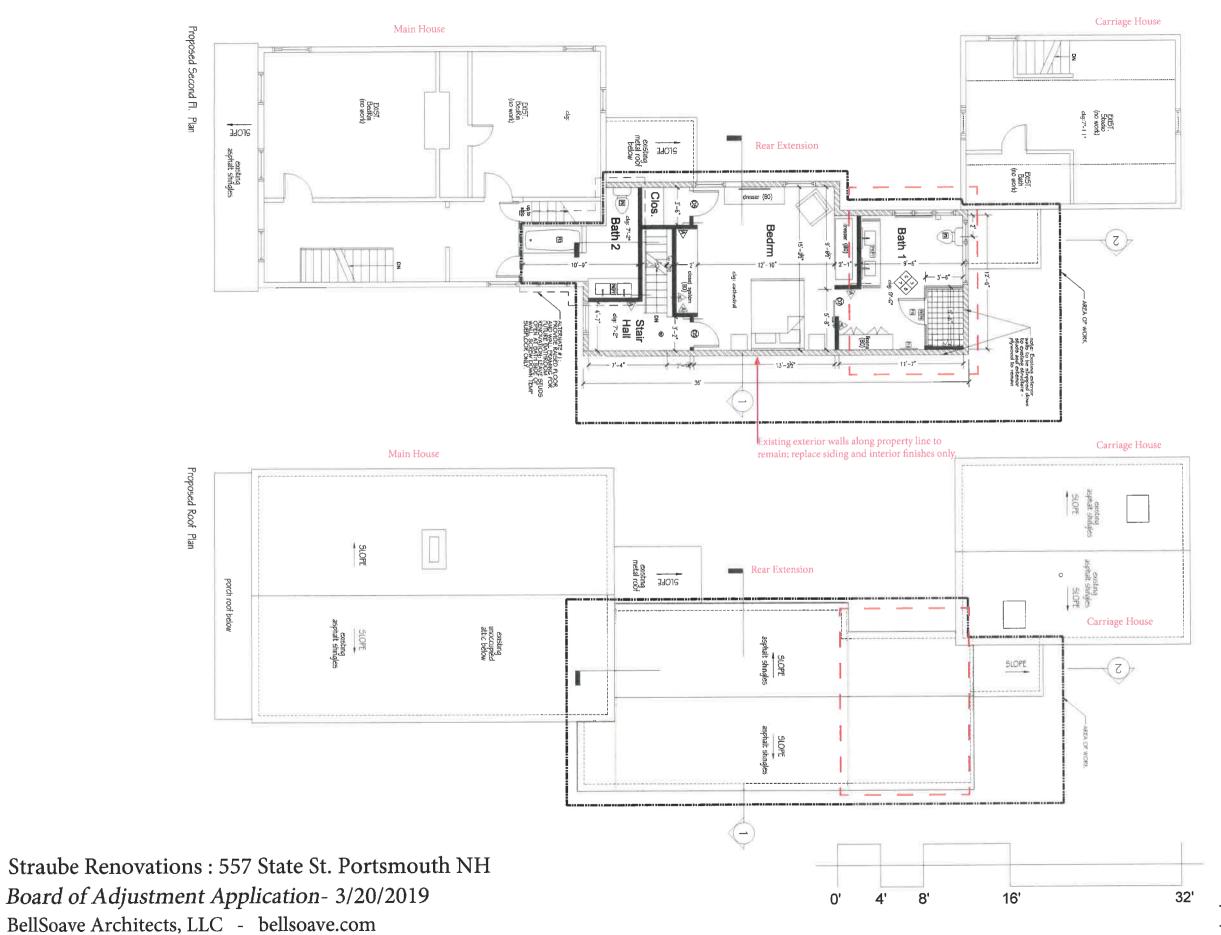


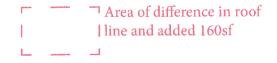
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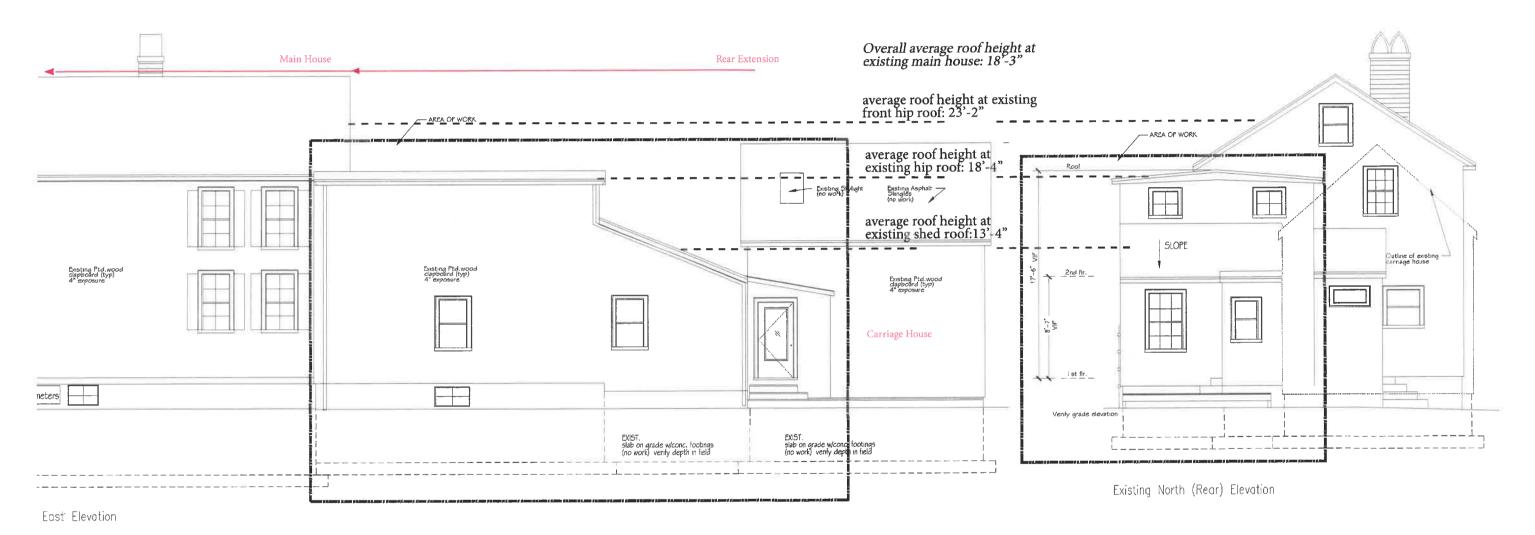
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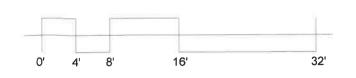


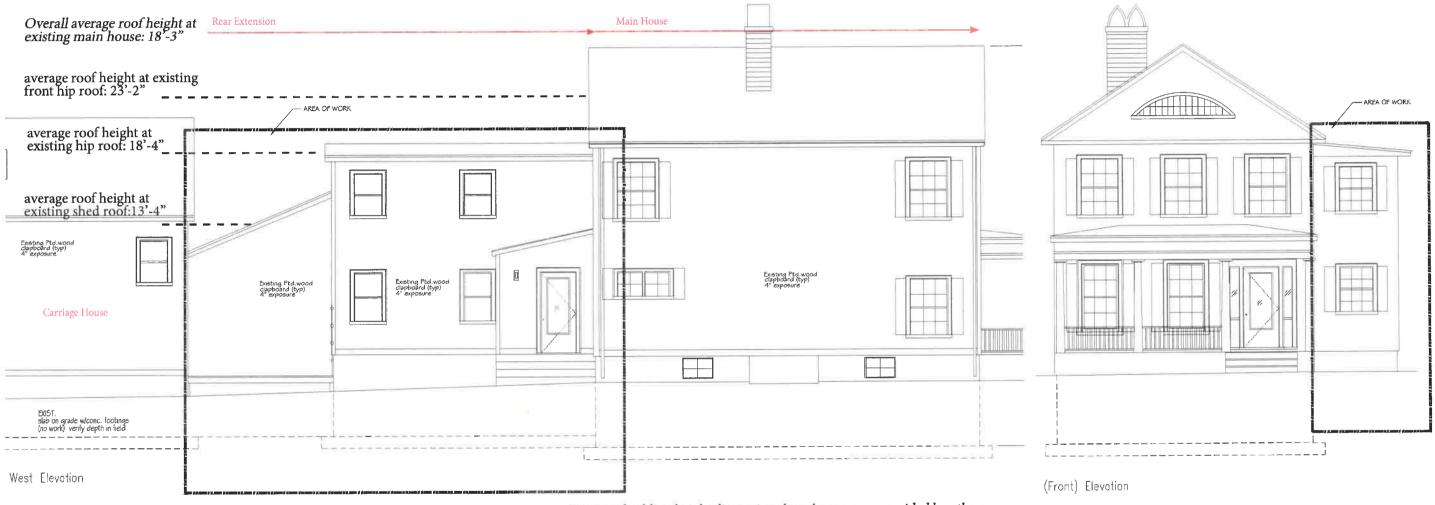
Exsisting building height dimensions based on survey provided by others.

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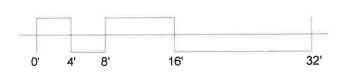
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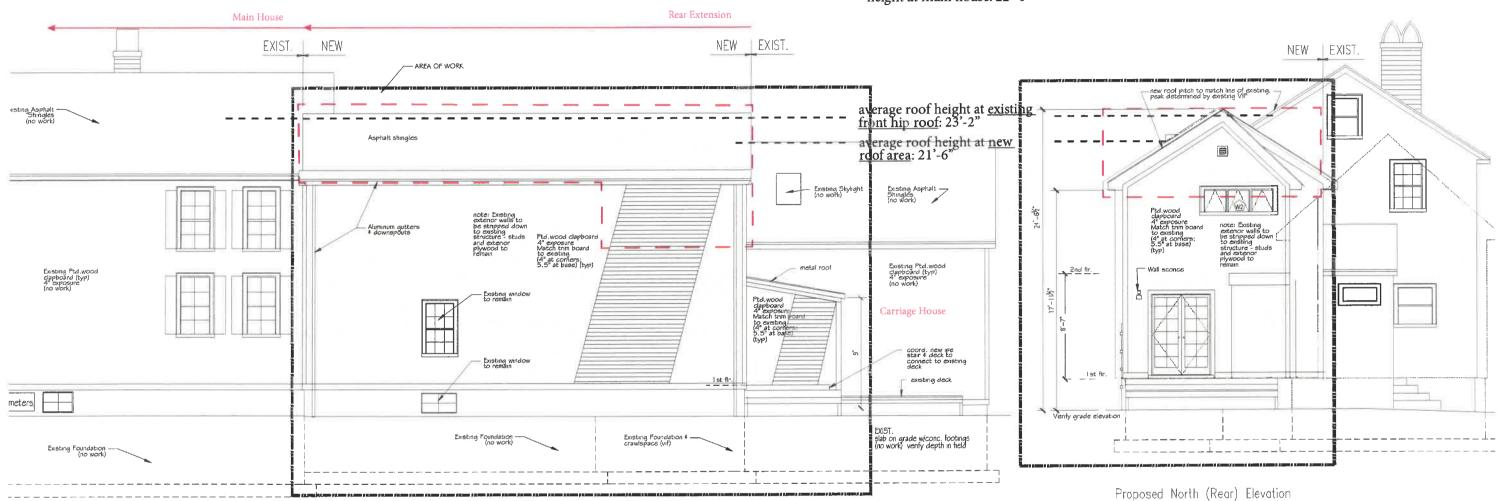


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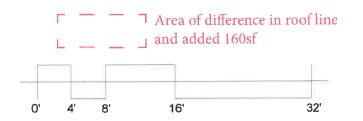


## New overall average roof height at main house: 22'-4"



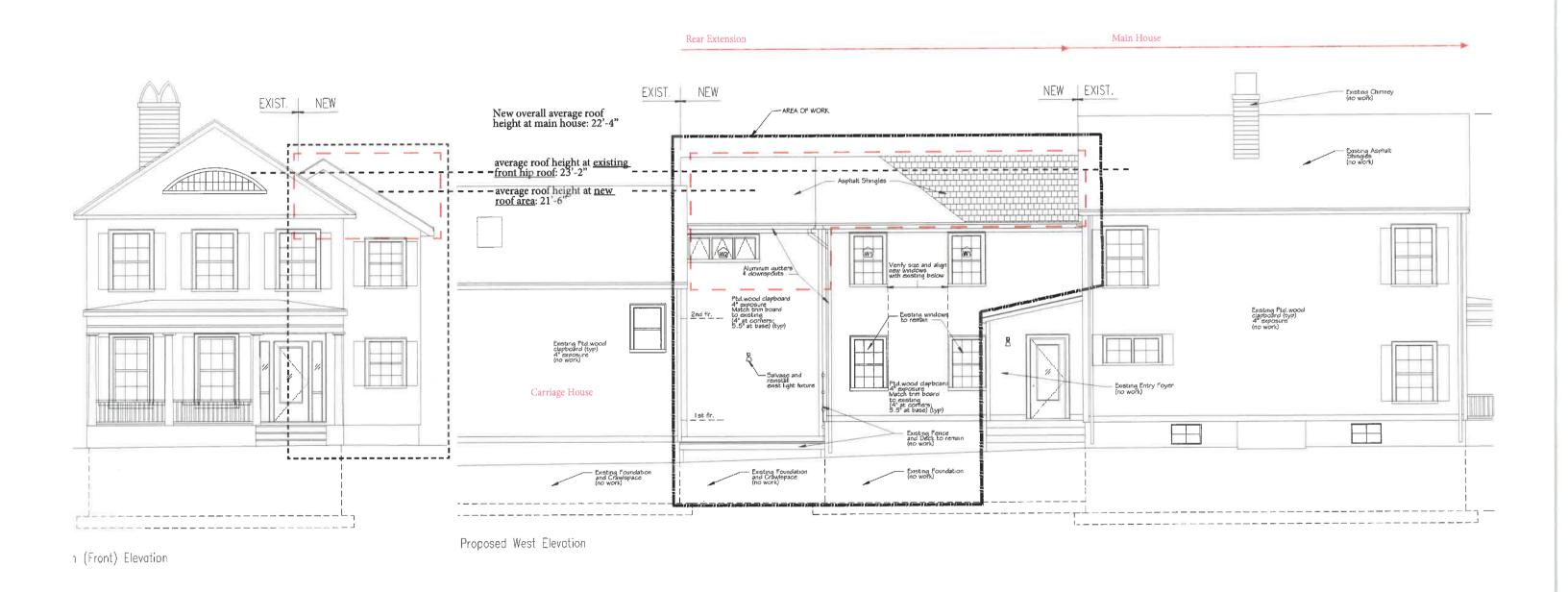
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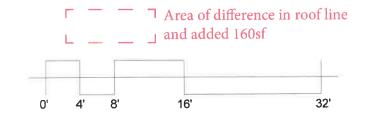
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Area of Work

**Proposed Elevations** 10

