

**553 Thatcher Avenue**  
**Certificate of Appropriateness Application**

June 1, 2023

553 Thatcher Avenue Certificate of Appropriateness Application In order to apply for a Certificate of Appropriateness (COA), the Village requires the following information;

1. Applicant's name:

**Jon Olof Bergstrom, Sher-Bergstrom Architects, Inc.**

2. Owner's name, if different:

**Tyler and Kerry Kirk**

3. Street Address and legal description:

**553 Thatcher Avenue. The legal description is on the plat of survey, attached.**

4. A site plan and elevation drawings:

**A site plan, civil drawings, plans and exterior elevation drawings were submitted with the permit application. However, an enlarged site demolition plan, enlarged new site plan of the rear of the property and exterior elevations of the new attached garage addition are included for your use and review (exterior elevations to scale with main house, but shown not to scale due to drawing size). If other drawings are required please let us know.**

5. A brief description and photos of the structure:

**The existing garage is not original to the house. The exact date is not know, but the original home had a stable for horses and eventually overtime, the present garage was built for modern cars. In detail, the existing garage is a one-story, wood framed, stucco veneered three (3) car garage with low sloped hip roof. There are two (2) modern era metal garage doors and no service door (safety issue). The interior of the garage is in poor condition. There are several temporary post and beam supports holding up the roof structure which allows for no car storage. Also, the garage walls are made out of plaster and lath which is crubbling or missing and the existing concrete slab floor has numerous cracks and major settlement. The owners just purchased the property last September and look forward to completing this portion of their renovations. They look forward to being the stewards of this property for the foreseeable future. Photo's of the existing garage are attached.**

6. A detailed description of the proposed demolition, together with pictorial renditions indicating how the proposed changes will affect the property:

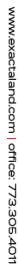
**The existing garage will be removed due to age, postponed maintenance and overall unsafe conditions of the garage. The garage was added at a later date than the main house. In addition, the existing garage is placed in the rear southeast corner of the property and the existing driveway is on the north side of the property that causes a long and large driveway across the whole width of the rear property (see attached photographs). With the new attached garage and placing the attached garage along the north face of the existing home we created a large and open rear yard that brings benefit to the owners and surrounding neighbors. The present garage location will now become part of the overall large yard. The owners plan a nice metal fence along the property perimeter and will provide new sod and landscaping after work is complete.**

7. Identification of any architect or developer involved in the project:

**Sher-Bergstrom Architects, Inc. is the architect of record.**

8. Any information as requested by the Village Administrator or HPC:

**We will provide any information requested by the HPC.**



**PROPERTY ADDRESS:**  
553 THATCHER AVENUE, RIVER FOREST, ILLINOIS 60305

**SURVEY NUMBER: 2205.4566**

DATE SIGNED: 06/10/22 FIELD WORK DATE: 6/27/2022

REVISION DATE(S):  
(REV.2 6/27/2022) (REV.1 6/10/2022)

## POINTS OF INTEREST

### 1. CONCRETE OVER PROPERTY LINE

STATE OF ILLINOIS }  
COUNTY OF GRUNDY } SS

THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT THIS PROFESSIONAL SERVICE CONFORMS TO THE CURRENT ILLINOIS MINIMUM STANDARDS FOR A BOUNDARY SURVEY, GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND SEAL THIS DATE HEREON.

Kenneth Kennedy



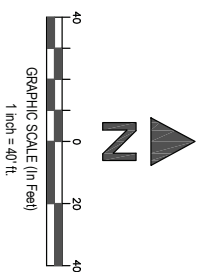
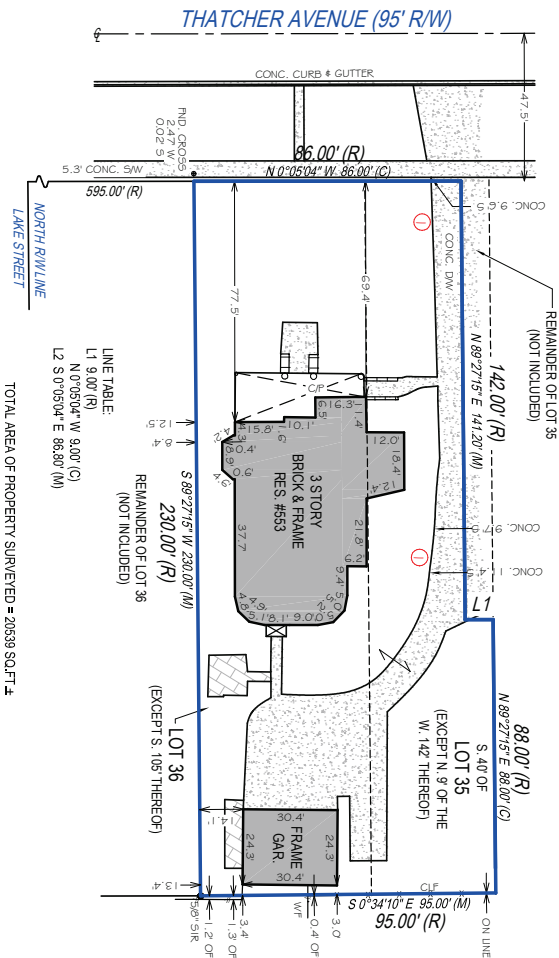
ILLINOIS PROFESSIONAL LAND SURVEYOR No. 3403  
LICENSE EXPIRES 1/30/2022  
EXACTA LAND SURVEYORS, LLC  
PROFESSIONAL DESIGN FIRM 184008059-0008



**Exacta Land Surveyors, LLC**  
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2205.4566  
BOUNDARY SURVEY  
COOK COUNTY



**SEE PAGE 2 OF 2 FOR LEGAL DESCRIPTION  
PAGE 1 OF 2 - NOT VALID WITHOUT ALL PAGES**





142.00'

EXST'G CONCRETE DRIVEWAY TO REMAIN (TYP)

EXST'G CONC WALK  
STAIRS AND SIDE WALLS  
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THREE STORY  
BRICK &  
WOOD FRAMED  
HOME TO  
REMAIN

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9.0'

SAFE-CUT  
EXST'G CONC  
AS SHN (TYP)

REMOVE EXST'G  
CONCRETE DRIVEWAY  
AND DISCARDED (TYP)

88.00'

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CONCRETE  
AND  
DISCARDED (TYP)

EXST'G  
ONE-STORY  
GARAGE TO  
BE REMOVED

95.0'

EXST'G PAVT  
TO REMAIN (TYP)

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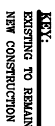


# EXST'G/DEOMLITION SITE PLAN

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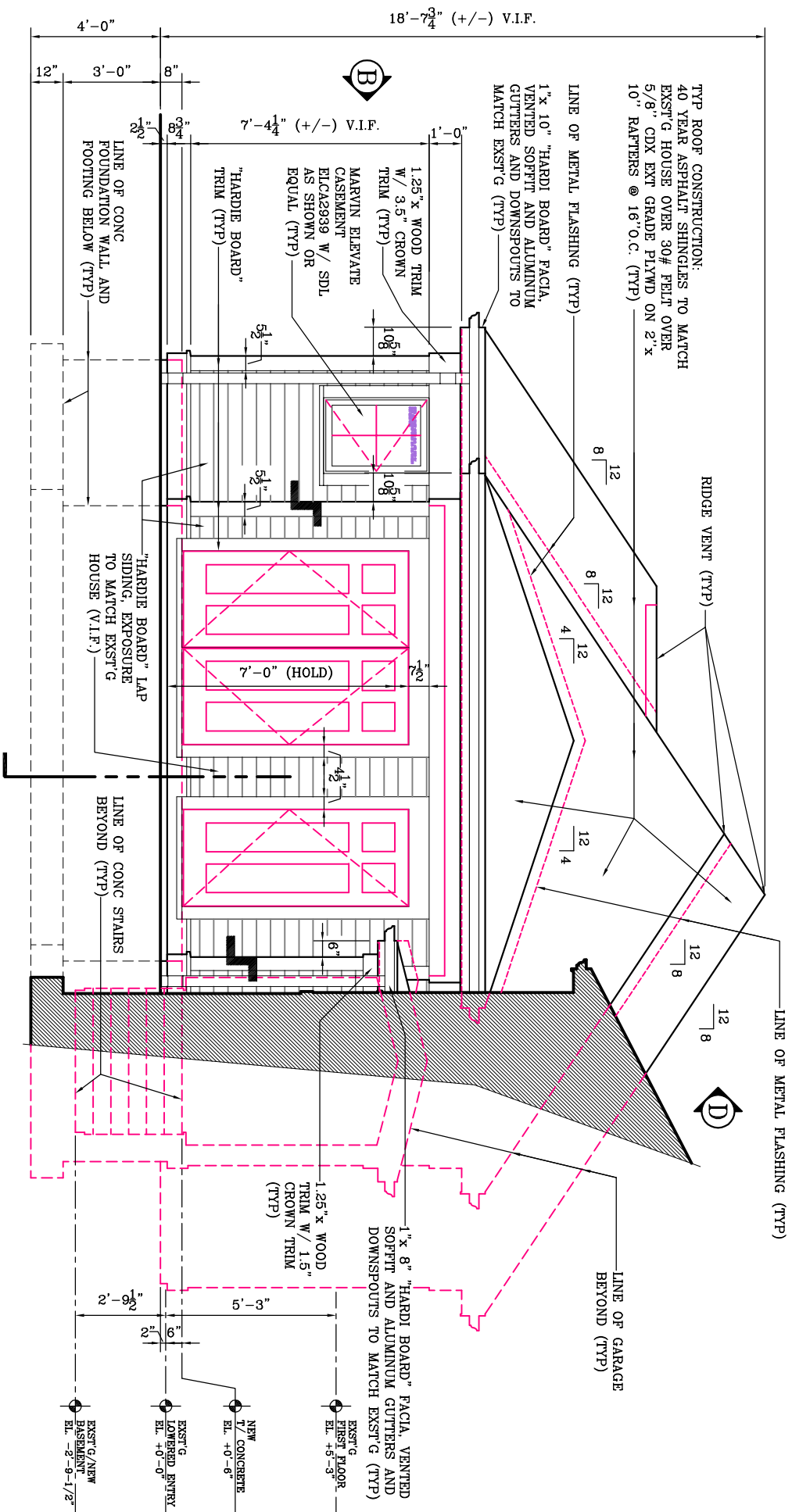
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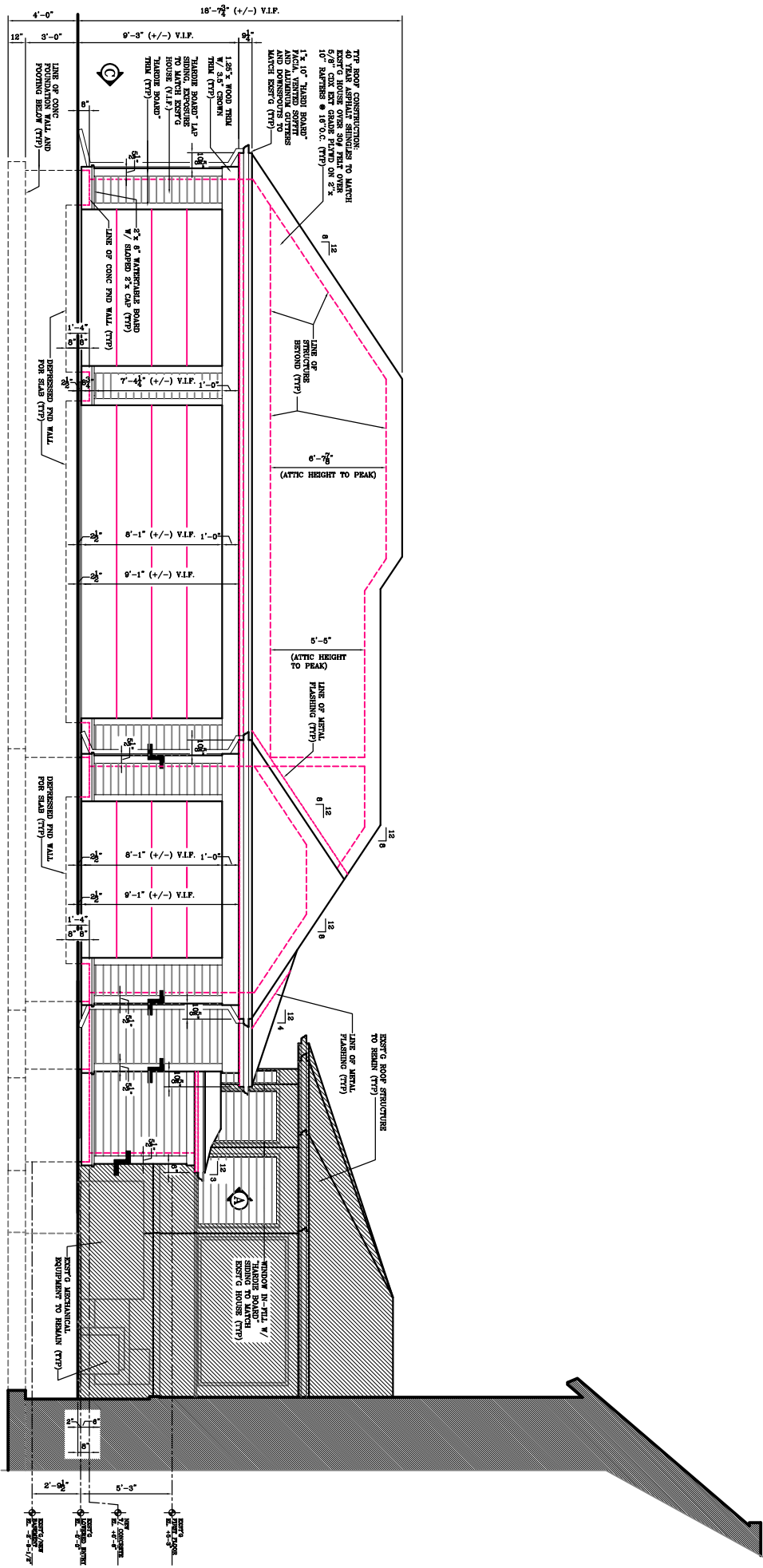


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NEW CONSTRUCTION

## WEST ELEVATION

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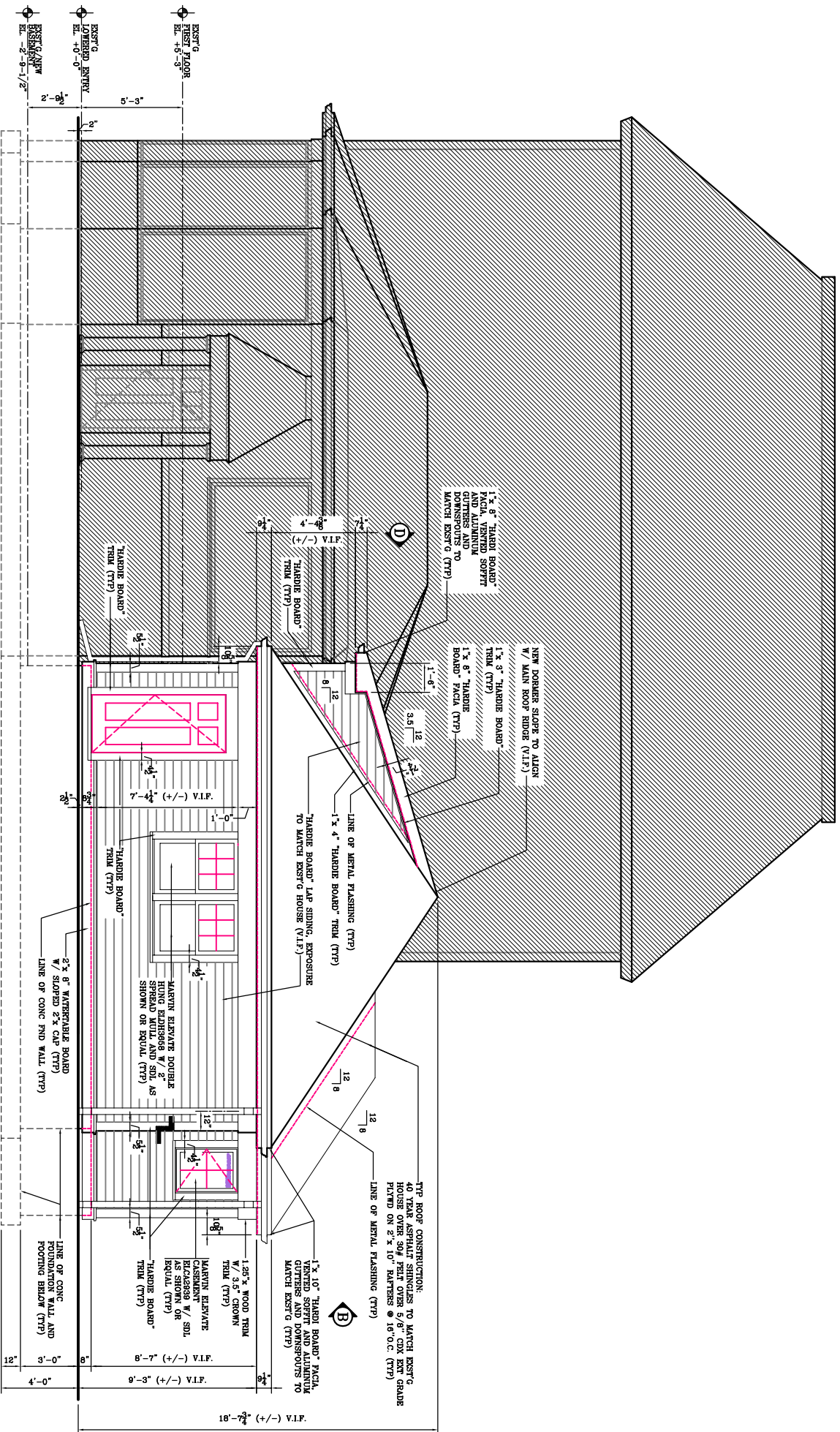


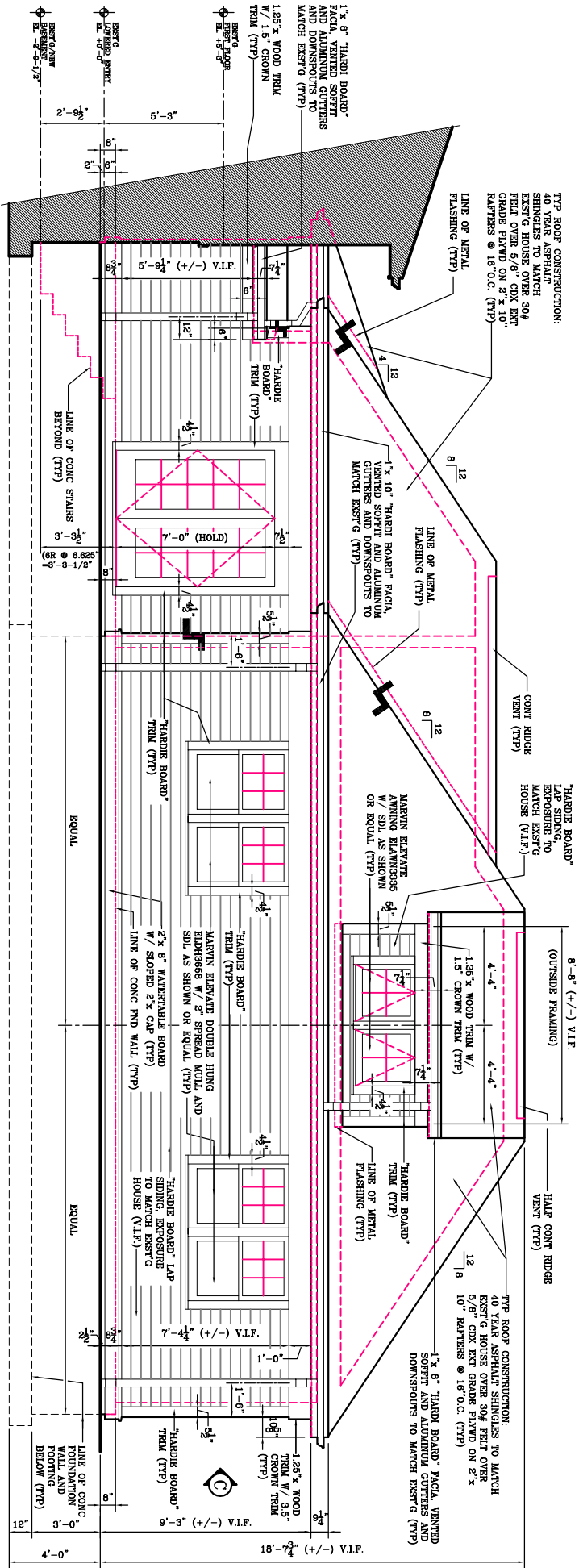
**B NORTH ELEVATION**

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D SOUTH ELEVATION

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[Hatched Box]	EXISTING TO REMAIN
[Solid Box]	NEW CONSTRUCTION

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PHOTO LOCATION PLAN

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PICTURE #1





PICTURE #2





PICTURE #3





PICTURE #4





PICTURE #5