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HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION STAFF REPORT

Address:

2801 Beechbank Avenue, Silver Spring

Meeting Date:

10/13/04

Resource:

Contributing Resource

Report Date:

10/06/04

Review:

Capitol View Park Historic District

Public Notice:

09/29/04

Case Number: 31/07-04G

HAWP

Tax Credit:

None

Applicant: Alan Adler (Mark Hughes, Agent)

Staff:

Michele Naru

PROPOSAL: Rear Addition

RECOMMEND:

Approve with Conditions

RECOMMENDATION: Staff recommends that the Commission approve this HAWP application with the conditions that:

- 1. The addition must be reduced in size so that it does not exceed the western plane of the original house.
- 2. The connecting hyphen will be reduced to one-story.
- 3. The specification sheets outlining the manufacturer, model and description of product for all windows and doors, including garage, to be used in this project will be reviewed and approved at staff level. If these specification sheets do not illustrate materials and designs typically approved by the Commission and compatible with the historic structure, the staff will require that they be reviewed and approved by the Commission in a revision to the approved Historic Area Work Permit Application.
- 4. Tree protection plan for the root system of the 30' oak tree located on the adjacent lot to the north will be drafted by a certified arborist and reviewed and approved by staff prior to the project's commencement.

BACKGROUND:

The subject project was reviewed by the Commission as a Preliminary Consultation on September 8, 2004 (transcript and drawings from the Preliminary Consultation can be found beginning on circle 18). The Commission asked the architect to study and modify the program as follows:

1. The majority of the Commission wanted a reduction of the hyphen to a one-story connection. Two of the Commissioners conveyed that they understood the need for the second story on the hyphen and could entertain a modified design.

- 2. The majority of the Commission wanted the western section of the new, rear addition substantially reduced in size. Commissioner O'Malley suggested that the western wing beyond the plane of the original massing's side elevation be no greater than ½ of the width of the main massing.
- 3. The majority of the Commission encouraged a contemporary architectural style on the addition utilizing borrowed elements from the original house to help to differentiate the new massing from the addition.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

SIGNIFICANCE:

Contributing Resource within Capitol View Park Historic District.

STYLE:

Mediterranean

DATE:

1917-1935

This two-story, three bay, dwelling with raised basement is located within the Capitol View Park Historic District. The main entry is located on the north (side) elevation of the house. The entry is covered with a shed roof sheathed in Spanish tile. The house is constructed in concrete and is detailed with metal casement windows and wrought iron railings. The roof is a shallow hip sheathed in Spanish tile and ornamented with an exterior end chimney also constructed of concrete. The subject lot contains several mature trees.

PROPOSAL: The subject proposal will:

- 1. Remove a portion of the foundation wall on the basement level, an existing window on the first floor and two windows on the second floor to create an entry into a new, two-story with basement, hyphen addition. The height of the hyphen will be 1' lower than existing roof height on the historic massing.
- 2. Construct a two-story rear addition with basement garage onto the new hyphen addition. This addition will be of frame construction, faced in stucco and sheathed in Spanish tile to match the existing house. The height of the addition will match the existing roof height on the historic massing. The applicant is proposing to utilize wood casement windows on the addition.
- 3. Construct a new terrace along the west elevation of the historic massing to connect the historic house to the addition.
- 4. Remove a 24" oak tree and a 24" twin oak tree from the property.

APPLICABLE GUIDELINES:

When reviewing alterations and additions to contributing resources within the Capitol View Park Master Plan Historic District two documents are to be utilized as guidelines to assist the

Commission in developing their decision. These documents include the Montgomery County Code Chapter 24A (Chapter 24A) and the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation (Standards). The pertinent information in these documents is outlined below.

Montgomery County Code; Chapter 24A

A HAWP permit should be issued if the Commission finds that:

- The proposal will not substantially alter the exterior features of a historic site or historic resource within a historic district.
- 2. The proposal is compatible in character and nature with the historical archaeological, architectural or cultural features of the historic site or the historic district in which a historic resource is located and would not be detrimental thereto of to the achievement of the purposes of this chapter.
- 3. The proposal would enhance or aid in the protection, preservation and public or private utilization of the historic site or historic resource located within an historic district in a manner compatible with the historical, archaeological, architectural or cultural value of the historic site or historic district in which an historic resource is located.

Secretary of the Interior's Guidelines for Rehabilitation

- #2 The historic character of a property will be retained and preserved. The removal of distinctive materials or alteration of features, spaces and spatial relationships that characterize a property will be avoided.
- #5 Distinctive materials, features, finishes and construction techniques or examples of craftsmanship that characterize a property will be preserved.
- New additions, exterior alterations, or related new construction will not destroy historic materials, features, and spatial relationships that characterize the property. The new work shall be differentiated from the old and will be compatible with the historic materials, features, size, scale and proportion, and massing to protect the integrity of the property and its environment.
- When additions and adjacent new construction will be undertaken in such a manner that, if removed in the future, the essential form and integrity of the historic property and its environment would be unimpaired.

STATISTICS:

Current Proposal:

Existing footprint:

approx 620 sq. ft.

Proposed additions footprints:

approx. 1,105 sq. ft.

Total new footprint:

approx. 1,725 sq. ft.

Lot size:

10,272 sq. ft.

Existing Lot coverage:

6%

Proposed Lot coverage:

16.7%

Preliminary Consultation Proposal:

Existing footprint:

approx 620 sq. ft.

Proposed additions footprints:

approx. 1,283 sq. ft.

Total new footprint:

approx. 1,903 sq. ft.

Lot size:

10,272 sq. ft.

Existing Lot coverage:

6%

Proposed Lot coverage:

18.5%

STAFF DISCUSSION

Staff feels that the applicant and his architect have not addressed many of the comments the Commission and staff conveyed at the Preliminary Consultation.

Topic #1 The majority of the Commission wanted a reduction of the hyphen to a one-story connection. Two of the Commissioners conveyed that they understood the need for the second story on the hyphen and could entertain a modified design.

The applicant modified their original design for the hyphen to a 2-story "glassy" addition and the height of this addition is 1' lower than the existing roof height of the main massing. The roofing material for the hyphen is not identified.

Staff feels that the current proposal is an improvement, but the hyphen should still be one-story as recommended by the Commission. With stairways in both massings (historic and proposed), a one-story with basement hyphen should be sufficient and also would not require the removal of two additional windows in the second level of the main massing. Additionally, staff would like to see that the entry from the historic massing to the hyphen be accomplished through the use of the existing door opening.

Topic #2 The majority of the Commission wanted the western section of the new, rear addition substantially reduced in size. Commissioner O'Malley directed that the western wing beyond the plane of the original massing's side elevation be no greater than ½ of the width of the main massing.

This addition has been reduced in length by 10.5'. The western extension will be 14' beyond the plane of the original massing's side elevation, which is approximately 2/3 of the width of the main massing. (The width of the massing is 22'.) The overall design has not been significantly altered.

Staff is still concerned with the proposed size of the addition. The addition is still more than double the original massing. With the footprint being very linear, it creates a "T" shape in form, causing the addition to overwhelm the original. In order to not adversely affect the character of the District, the streetscape or the architecture of the original house, staff continues to suggest a re-design and reduction of the proposed massing so it does not exceed

the western plane of the original massing (see staff's previous recommendation drawings from the Preliminary Consultation beginning on circle 54).

Topic #3 The majority of the Commission encouraged a contemporary architectural style on the addition utilizing borrowed elements from the original house to help to differentiate the new massing from the addition.

The architect modified the elevations of the new massing to reflect a more contemporary interpretation of the original architectural style. Staff feels that this has been successful.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the Commission approve with the above-stated conditions this HAWP application as being consistent with Chapter 25A-8(b) 1, 2 and 3.

and with the Secretary of the Interior's Standards 2, 5, 9 & 10:

and with the general conditions applicable to all Historic Area Work Permits that the applicant shall also present three, (3) permit sets of drawings to HPC staff for review and stamping prior to submission for permits, and shall arrange for a field inspection by the Montgomery County Department of Permitting Services (DPS), Field Services Office, five days prior to commencement of work, and within two weeks following completion of work.





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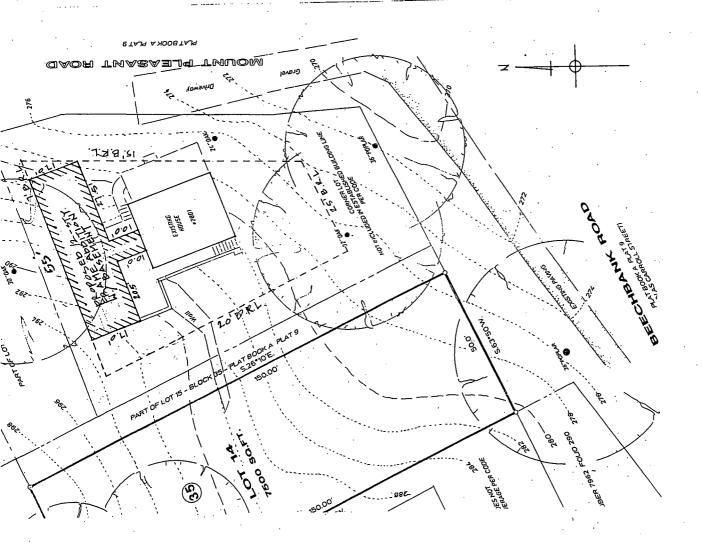
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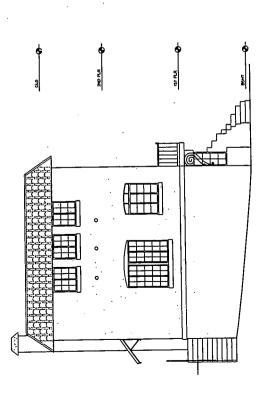


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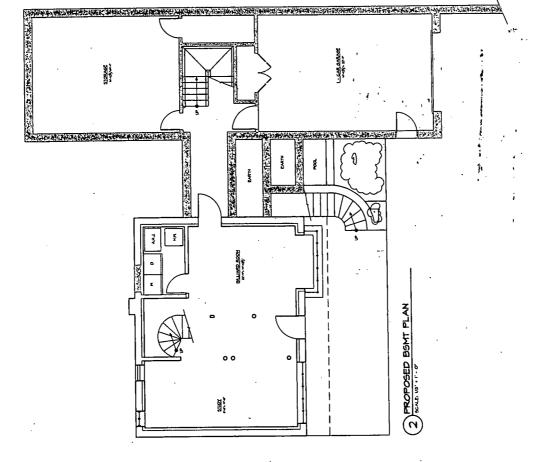
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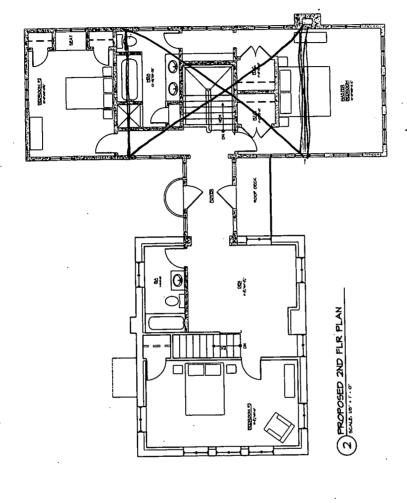
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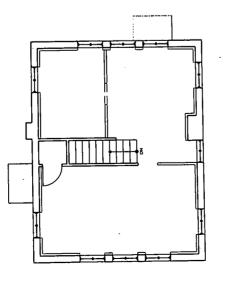


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- 1 preliminary consultations, and the first one we're going to
- 2 hear is Case A, 2801 Beechbank Avenue. Could we have a
- 3 staff report?
- 4 MS. NARU: Yes, this is a contributing resource
- 5 within the Capitol View Park Historic District. The
- 6 applicant is proposing a rear addition onto this property.
- 7 I do have a couple photographs that will help orient you,
- 8 but I think on page two the statistics kind of state it all
- 9 in terms of existing footprint and proposed footprint.
- 10 We're looking at about 1050 square foot footprint
- 11 additional. Lot size is 10,272 square feet.
- When reviewing alterations and additions to
- 13 contributing resources within Capitol View Park Historic
- 14 District, we look at the Secretary of Interior Standards for
- 15 Rehabilitation and Department guidelines are in your staff
- 16 report.
- Staff had several concerns with the proposed
- 18 design of this project and they are outlined in detail under
- 19 the staff discussion. I think that first and foremost we
- 20 feel that the proposed massing is out of scale and
- 21 proportion with the existing house and we're really
- 22 concerned that the new addition will very much overwhelm the
- 23 historic house. We will note, though, that we do like the
- 24 proposed breezeway/hyphen, if you will, to have the entrance
- 25 from the historic massing into the new addition. We

- 1 generally like to see that, especially want difficult
- 2 project to put additions on it seems like we like to have
- 3 that as a design aspect for this project. But I will say
- 4 that we would like to see it more of a very classy feel to
- 5 it to really differentiate the original massing to the new
- 6 addition.
- 7 Again, the staff report highlights the concern
- 8 about the hyphen and its height as well as removing a lot of
- 9 the first floor windows, the second floor windows to create
- 10 new entries into the hyphens, and also a proposed massing
- 11 for the new addition.
- We do feel, however, that the -- since this is
- 13 such a unique building and its materials are so unique that
- 14 by doing anything different than trying to replicate but
- 15 differentiate in a very minimal way would be more
- 16 detrimental to this historic house, so I think that the
- 17 applicant is -- is going in a good direction with trying to
- 18 maintain the stucco, tile, you know material formations for
- 19 this addition, because we really feel that it will do a good
- 20 service to the existing historic massing.
- 21 And as such, it is -- this is a preliminary
- 22 consultation so the applicants are here to get your feedback
- 23 and direction, so Staff would just ask that you give clear,
- 24 concise direction, and I also have submitted not only the
- 25 staff packet or staff report, a possible recommendation or

- 1 suggestion, but I also handed out to you at your worksession
- 2 another very rough sketch that Staff had in terms of trying
- 3 to integrate a new addition onto a historic part and thought
- 4 that could at least provide beginnings of discussion for you
- 5 as you are starting to develop direction for the applicant.
- And, again, Staff is happy to entertain any
- 7 questions you might have and the applicant and their
- 8 architect are here.
- 9 MS. O'MALLEY: Would the applicant -- well, any
- 10 questions for Staff? Would he applicants come up, please?
- MS. NARU: I do have a Powerpoint if that helps.
- 12 Sorry.
- MS. O'MALLEY: It probably would help
- MS. ALDERSON: It would help a great deal,
- 15 particularly to have a sense of the mass because the front
- 16 plane is so irregular now; how it looks from the street.
- MS. NARU: Okay, this is the approach coming up
- 18 from the street, and that's why I think this is really
- 19 important to show is that the side elevation actually is
- 20 what the elevation that has the -- side elevations are the
- 21 ones that have the entrances to the house. The actual
- 22 addition that faces Beechbank does not have any entry -- so
- 23 this gives you a sense of driving up the driveway and
- 24 approaching the house and you can note in this slide how
- 25 heavily wooded this lot is. I think that's a very important

- 1 feature, and the reason why the applicant went to such great
- 2 lengths with designing the addition as he did is to try to
- 3 preserve a lot of the trees, and that's part of the reason
- 4 why he did -- very linear feel.
- 5 This is the approach as you come up on Beechbank.
- 6 It is your left elevation. And, again, as I said, the side
- 7 elevations are the entries into the house and you'll note
- 8 the -- lot of windows -- character-defining features and
- 9 we've been working with the applicant to really stress the
- 10 importance of retaining those and to rehabilitate them and
- 11 that, of course, is subject to replacement.
- 12 And this is the facade that you see on the right
- 13 elevation. You have an entry down here to the basement
- 14 level and, again, -- detail -- french doors --
- MS. ALDERSON: Is this facing Mt. Pleasant Road?
- MS. NARU: This is facing the woods basically.
- 17 There is no street --
- 18 (Discussion off the record.)
- 19 MR. ADLER: I just wanted to say, my name is Alan
- 20 Adler. I'm the homeowner and this is my architect, Mark
- 21 Hughes. I just wanted to state that -- you had asked if
- 22 this is facing Mt. Pleasant Road, and it is. Mt. Pleasant
- 23 Road, which is a paper street, and is not in, but this is
- 24 facing Mt. Pleasant Street and then behind that are a creek
- 25 that -- goes down to a creek and then woods beyond.



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MR. HUGHES: So, it's really woods it's facing. This is --MS. NARU: 2 MR. HUGHES: I don't think we've yet seen actually 3 the elevation from the main street. So far we've seen two 4 side elevations I think. 5 MS. NARU: And this is the rear elevation. 6 important elevation here. This center window is the proposed to kind of turn into an entry into the new addition. And then the existing door -- and this is 9 basically looking at the house from the street. You can see the very strong topography here and --11 MR. HUGHES: Right. That's truly the street 12 elevation --13 MS. NARU: Right, how high it is. 14 MR. HUGHES: The actual main entrance is on the 15 back - rear elevation, opposite that. 16 MS. NARU: This is a --17 That's the rear. MR. HUGHES: 18 MS. NARU: Right. And you approach this by use of 19 steps here going up to that rear elevation. 20 MS. O'MALLEY: Did you have anything else you 21 would like to add at this point? 22 MR. HUGHES: Oh, sure. My name is Mark Hughes. 23 I'm the architect. I guess just listening to the staff 24

report -- this evening, early today -- I guess I kind of

- 1 strongly disagree with some of the statements. I think --
- 2 the homeowner came to us with this scheme in mind, and I
- 3 always thought -- was a very strong clear scheme. There's a
- 4 lot of clarity here. He has a house -- existing house is
- 5 set off like a jewel in front of the addition. He's
- 6 preserving it in the round. He loves this little house, so
- 7 he's always tried to approach it in a -- fashion. He's set
- 8 back the addition as far back on the property as you can.
- 9 To get the program in, he stretched it out across the
- 10 property. He wants to have a modern feeling in his family
- 11 room, bedroom, master bedroom -- throughout the neighborhood
- 12 and the area. And so he likely touches with this breezeway
- 13 a connection to the main house in setting that off as a
- 14 jewel.
- The -- it just seems to me that the scheme always
- 16 had a lot of clarity to it. You know, he's using quarter
- 17 yards, minimal as we could make them basically 10 foot --
- 18 nice little entry courtyard and another courtyard on the
- 19 other side as a way to, you know, to do both things; unite
- 20 the house into a larger home, but again also to provide a
- 21 separation from the old and the new.
- 22 And that is something that's typical in this style
- 23 home. This style home, from what I can see in my little
- 24 field study -- Field Guide to Architecture in American
- 25 Homes, I'd say it's a Spanish Eclectic style house. It's

- 1 very common for these type of houses, Spanish Eclectic
- 2 houses -- to have two stories. Often it has -- it's a
- 3 simple rectangular plan. He's maintained that character. I
- 4 have sample here in this field guide -- this house, when I
- 5 look at it and I look at thing in the field guide, it's
- 6 completely in keeping with some of these long sort of homes.
- 7 They're almost kind of like barracks in a sense; just these
- 8 sort of long linear things.
- 9 I guess what I see here happening it seems to me
- 10 there really isn't that much house projecting beyond when
- 11 you look at it. You're probably talking 20 -- it's 25 foot
- 12 away when you're coming down the street and you can see set
- 13 back. I just don't see -- maybe the front-on elevations
- 14 that we presented are a little misleading. You don't get a
- 15 sense of how far back the house sits.
- The house is so small it looks like we really
- 17 increase the size of it, but when you take really the whole
- 18 thing together, it really is not that large a house. I
- 19 guess I think it's just a -- it's a little bit of an
- 20 exaggeration thinking that this wing is projecting so
- 21 greatly out. It's really not. It's 20, 25 feet or so. I
- 22 just don't see that being a problem.
- I like the clarity of this scheme and thought he
- 24 was doing a very powerful architectural move, but in a very
- 25 ginger fashion, if you will, in keeping with the



- 1 architectural styles. And if there is -- if there were -- I
- 2 guess if the Board here thought that these wings were
- 3 projecting too far out, I would like to suggest other ways
- 4 to minimalize those by providing screening of some sort,
- 5 whether it's a landscape screening along that wing to shield
- 6 it from the street; evergreens, a year-round sort of
- 7 screening. You know, maybe architecturally a shade -- or
- 8 something along that line to -- you know, with blinds and
- 9 planters, you know to soften the whole thing and blend into
- 10 the landscape, if you will.
- 11 Yeah, and if it really is that -- if you agree, I
- 12 guess, that you see it as being too strong -- again, I just
- 13 don't see it being that strong given the size of the overall
- 14 house parts. I think it's appropriate -- take my field
- 15 guide and show you the other images of houses that are in
- 16 this style and have this sort of quality about them, with
- 17 the long two-story element.
- MR. FULLER: A couple comments, I guess. Staff
- 19 made a comment about preserving the woods behind the house,
- 20 and from what I can see is basically any of the woods that
- 21 are on your property are going to go for the addition. It
- 22 probably doesn't really matter, but it looks to be that
- 23 that's what happening with it. It is no question a very
- 24 strong statement of what's being done, but I'm concerned
- 25 that the strong statement isn't adequately differentiated



- 1 and to me, if you're going to come in with the idea of a
- 2 strong T crossing behind this house, the architectural style
- 3 almost ought to completely change, so that it does exactly
- 4 that you said; it becomes the jewel box in front of, rather
- 5 than what you're doing here where the aesthetic is
- 6 essentially the same for both the front and the back.
- 7 If the aesthetic wants to stay similar, then I
- 8 really believe what Staff's early comment about it ought to
- 9 hang to one side or the other of the main house. You know,
- 10 to me, if you're going to let this be a little box in front
- 11 of the other, then yeah, then it could maybe go past it if
- 12 it's really a separate architecture, separate aesthetic.
- 13 But the way it reads right now I'm not happy with this --
- 14 you know, with the elevation that sort of blends the old and
- 15 the new and then it becomes a very long elevation.
- MS. ALDERSON: I don't know if you want to speak
- 17 to that.
- MR. HUGHES: Well, again, I'm just proposing the
- 19 idea of screening that long elevation there if it is a
- 20 problem in other ways, you know architectural, landscaping
- 21 sort of thing --
- MR. FULLER: -- very contemporary architecture
- 23 could be just run behind this house.
- MR. HUGHES: Right, and Alan was just in my ears
- whispering that he's not opposed to that either.



- 1 MR. ADLER: One thing that we early on suggested,
- 2 but we didn't show here, actually making the connection a
- 3 steel and glass connection. This was -- just the connection
- 4 being different --
- MR. FULLER: I think that's part of it. To me,
- 6 again if it's going to become the back-up to this building,
- 7 I think the architecture has to be different.
- 8 MR. ADLER: And actually I agree with you on that
- 9 and I think that -- I mean, that's something that we could
- 10 certainly, you know, accomplish for the rear.
- MS. NARU: Typically, the Commission generally
- 12 does not look at screening as a way to mitigate massiveness.
- 13 So, you know, I think as Staff we would strongly oppose any
- 14 sort of screening mechanisms to try to compensate for a
- 15 large mass.
- MS. WRIGHT: I think there's a real basic question
- 17 here. This is enough back to similar -- to other additions
- 18 to historic properties, even though it's a very unique
- 19 looking property. It's a 620 square foot house. It's a
- 20 small house. They're proposing an addition that is one-and-
- 21 a-half times the size of the existing house. I think a very
- 22 basic question that the Commission has to discuss is, you
- 23 know, no matter what architectural design you use, no matter
- 24 what screening you use, is it appropriate to build --
- 25 whether it's a hyphen or not a hyphen -- is it appropriate



- 1 know, I mean, the house is definitely -- I mean, it is a
- 2 small -- it is a small house.
- It's a lovely small house and it's actually a
- 4 property that I had the fortune of going into back about 15
- 5 years ago when Mrs. Kurcheimer, the previous owner, had
- 6 lived there. And she raised her kids and her husband had
- 7 passed away probably 10 years before that and she lived in
- 8 the house until, you know, right when I purchased it. She
- 9 unfortunately had to move out just because she was not --
- 10 she was needing assistant care house and when I went in
- 11 there -- just to try to give you a feeling -- I think maybe
- 12 I might have described this to Michele, and maybe you saw it
- 13 even when it was like that. When I went into the house, the
- 14 atmosphere in there exuded -- it exuded just a warmth, an
- 15 artist feel, a house that someone sits in and just enjoys,
- 16 something that you would see in the countryside kind of --
- 17 you know, just a lovely interior.
- And what Mark had said with regard to -- with
- 19 regard to the house and as I see it as a jewel, I really,
- 20 really do. I appreciate, you know, the architecture and it
- 21 is just a lovely, lovely little house and I, you know, have
- 22 kind of worked to come up with a way that would minimize
- 23 changing the -- at least the existing structure. And coming
- 24 up the steps -- if you come up the side steps that shows on
- 25 one of the other drawings -- you know, when you come up and

- 1 this wing has a length of 25 feet and you're looking at the
- 2 house straight on, it's set back 40 feet from the front
- 3 facade of the existing house. I just have a hard time --
- 4 understanding how that overwhelms that front elevation of
- 5 that house. It's really set back far. And it's 25 feet
- 6 long basically. It's not very big. I just don't see it
- 7 that way. I know the -- elevation reads that way, but
- 8 that's not the three-dimensional reality of it.
- 9 MS. O'MALLEY: What is the width of the front of
- 10 your house?
- MR. ADLER: It's 28 or 22. I'm not sure. I think
- 12 it's 22 -- it's 22-by-28 is the house footprint, so --
- MR. HUGHES: The wing is nearly identical; maybe
- 14 -- longer. And one thing that I'd like to add that I just
- 15 had remembered, the way the grade is, the first floor is
- 16 going to be mostly in the ground. At the front when you're
- 17 looking at the site plan from Beechbank Road and you look to
- 18 see where it passes on the left -- basically on the front
- 19 left part of the addition -- of the rectangle. There and
- 20 then going back 16 feet, it's 16 feet deep -- actually 17
- 21 feet deep. You're going to be -- I need to double check
- 22 that, but probably three or four feet in the ground so that
- 23 the house is not -- the whole -- basically the first floor
- 24 and -- the first floor is going to be partially down in the
- 25 ground given the grade.



- 1 you're up there and there's like kind of a little brick
- 2 patio there and you have the red-tiled roof over a door
- 3 right there, and you look up and it's this wonderful -- and
- 4 I was like, "God, wouldn't it be great to be able to sit out
- 5 here and look up and have this remain as much intact as
- 6 possible." And that's kind of why I came up with the
- 7 feeling of a courtyard. I didn't want to attach something
- 8 onto the rear of it and lose that.
- 9 And, you know, I had gone through all your -- with
- 10 Michele, I happened to be over at HPC and kind of -- you
- 11 know, she had given me the plan that she had drawn up and I
- 12 just kind of initially looked at it and thought, "Hey, you
- 13 know, this might -- you know, this might work." And I said
- 14 I needed to sit down and look at it and then in talking with
- 15 Mark, you know, he was telling me that, "Alan, you know
- 16 what's being done here is -- if you take this section and
- 17 move it to where the part of the courtyard was, you're
- 18 taking away kind of what you started to accomplish
- 19 originally."
- 20 And, anyway, I just wanted to kind of lend a
- 21 little bit of the background.
- MR. HUGHES: I just want to kind of discuss that
- 23 wing a little bit further. I guess I'm having difficulty in
- 24 sort of reading it the way -- and I guess I appreciate your
- 25 reading that elevation here, but to me when I look at this,

- 1 to build an addition that is one-and-a-half times the size
- 2 of the existing house?
- MR. FULLER: I guess where I was coming from is
- 4 like the Brookeville Mill House that we've looked at six or
- 5 eight months ago. The additions on that house are probably
- 6 almost double the size of the original property. And,
- 7 again, it was a strong architectural statement that
- 8 differentiated the two, and to me left it a fairly
- 9 successful project. But it's --
- MS. WRIGHT: One of those additions was a 19th
- 11 century addition.
- MR. FULLER: Yeah.
- MS. WRIGHT: So, I mean it's hard to say what's
- 14 the historic building.
- MR. FULLER: Exactly.
- MS. WRIGHT: Because there's a 19th century
- 17 addition to an 18th century building. I think you'd have to
- 18 take that whole group as the historic structure.
- MR. ADLER: Well, actually I have just noticed --
- 20 and this was an article about Capitol View Park that I
- 21 pulled from the files of the HPC, and it has a picture of a
- 22 home at 10209 Menlo Avenue and it has written on underneath
- 23 what began as a small home at 10209 Menlo Avenue has over
- 24 the years nearly doubled in size into this pleasing two-
- 25 story L-shaped house with a novelty green siding. So, you

- I just wanted to make you all aware of that, given
- 2 -- given how the existing grade is and how we pretty much
- 3 have to work -- you know, work to that.
- 4 MS. WILLIAMS: I think conceptually the idea of
- 5 keeping the historic resource distinct from the addition
- 6 with the hyphen is a good one. I mean, you've got that idea
- 7 conceptually down. I think the big problem is the
- 8 aggressiveness of the program and the size of the addition.
- 9 It just overwhelms the historic resource. I think what we
- 10 really want to avoid is having the house become a gatehouse
- 11 to what's really your -- what ultimately is the real house.
- 12 I think that sort of makes a mockery of the historic
- 13 resource. It becomes nothing but a pass-through; an
- 14 entryway. And we really want the historic resource to be a
- 15 viable entity to the historic context.
- 16 Having said that, this is kind of a quirky little
- 17 area. There isn't a lot of fabric surrounding it. It's
- 18 definitely more of a rustic rural retreat and historically,
- 19 yes, there were Mediterranean Revival style houses built in
- 20 quite a large scale. But often they were in settings with,
- 21 you know, a grander setting perhaps than this sort of rustic
- 22 retreat.
- I think the other thing that we need to take into
- 24 consideration is that in another few minutes we're going to
- 25 be reviewing the lot next to this lot, where there's going

- 1 to be a house built, I guess, by you as well. That should
- 2 also enter into the equation. How does this addition affect
- 3 that house that's being proposed, and how is that consistent
- 4 with the historic character?
- 5 I just don't think that this addition is
- 6 consistent with the existing structure in terms of its size
- 7 and scale, and I don't think it is overall consistent with
- 8 the character of the historic -- overall larger historic
- 9 district. And I just think the last thing we want is this
- 10 gem to become a gatehouse to, you know, what becomes your
- 11 real house.
- MR. ADLER: I hear what you're saying and -- but
- 13 definitely not at all because the existing house is -- from
- 14 the -- at least from how I plan on using it is going to be
- 15 -- is going to be of substantial use on the inside and --
- 16 and the interior taken advantage of and also with the
- 17 interior what I'm doing is I'm exposing a lot of the old
- 18 beams and so forth.
- MS. WRIGHT: But I think what she's saying is, you
- 20 know, that you're planning to have your living room, dining
- 21 room, kitchen in your new house. You have three bedrooms
- 22 and two baths in your new house. You're essentially
- 23 building a new house and attaching it to the old house with
- 24 a hyphen.
- MS. NARU: Right, you have two living rooms and

- 1 two dining rooms on your first floor, for example.
- 2 MR. ADLER: One dining room is really a breakfast
- 3 -- not a formal dining room.
- MS. WILLIAMS: But, in other words, there's a lot
- 5 of redundant space and I think that you can really look at
- 6 tightening it up and making the program -- reducing the
- 7 program so that it's more compatible.
- MR. HUGHES: Well, so if we tightened it up, I
- 9 mean, the basic strategy -- if we were okay with that, we
- 10 could tighten that wing up. I think you're right. We can
- 11 foreshorten that wing. The breakfast nook could be in the
- 12 kitchen and the kitchen could be made smaller, we could pull
- 13 it back this way.
- 14 Your earlier comments about the thing you said --
- 15 I understand that, but I guess I look at it differently,
- 16 too. I see it being -- as a larger composition again. I
- 17 get the sense that it works as a whole also. And -- east
- 18 side elevation, actually the older house is actually the
- 19 larger part of the wing when you're looking from the east
- 20 elevation, which is the entry side. Once you come up the
- 21 driveway and enter the older house is actually the larger
- 22 proportion in that view.
- So, I think it's a bit of a trade off. I don't
- 24 think it's -- where -- what angle -- where you're looking
- 25 form whether or not it's smaller relative to the addition or



- 1 larger. I think it's both.
- MS. WILLIAMS: Yeah, I mean I think that elevation
- 3 is probably one of the more successful ones, but there
- 4 again, I think the double story hyphen doesn't work as well
- 5 as the Staff's recommended single story hyphen.
- 6 MS. WRIGHT: Before going into all the comments, I
- 7 think Commissioner Williams brought up the fact that there
- 8 is also another part of this proposal, which is a new house
- 9 on the adjacent lot. I mean, maybe the Commission would
- 10 want to talk about that and then give sort of overall
- 11 comprehensive comments and -- go down the line about the
- 12 whole -- the whole proposal.
- MS. NARU: I will note that there is two separate
- 14 architects here, so we'll have to switch gears.
- MR. HUGHES: If I understand right and maybe I'll
- 16 try to work out a workable solution for both the owner and
- 17 you. If the hyphen could actually come to a one-story
- 18 connection, we shorten the length of the addition in the
- 19 back so I guess it's not as overwhelming -- and then, you
- 20 know, integrate the use of the existing house more so to the
- 21 whole project.
- MS. WRIGHT: Well, you haven't heard from all the
- 23 Commissioners and maybe we need to just go down the line. I
- 24 think the important issues for them to hear are do you think
- 25 you, as a Commission, could contemplate approving this



- 1 addition, which is one-and-a-half times the size of the
- 2 existing house? Or, do they need to look at a substantially
- 3 smaller addition? I think that's a very bottom line basic
- 4 question.
- 5 Do you generally secondly like the idea of a
- 6 hyphen connection? And I think that a third question is, if
- 7 they make a hyphen connection, do you think that the new
- 8 structure should be sort of replicative architecture or do
- 9 you think it should take on a different architectural
- 10 character; something more modern, glassier? I mean, to me I
- 11 think those are sort of the three big issues.
- MS. NARU: And if I could add one more. Also, the
- 13 size of the hyphen connection; one story or two? Because I
- 14 think that's important as well.
- MR. ADLER: If I could just say just to give some
- 16 quick reference to the adjacent proposed new home next door
- 17 is that in my working initially with Michele, what we had
- 18 talked about is keeping the proposed new home as far away
- 19 from this structure so that it's sitting by -- it's sitting
- 20 by itself and there's land around there. And so that's what
- 21 we did, which you'll soon see is that we had a narrow house
- 22 that is 28 feet wide, which is tight to the property -- to
- 23 the -- on the other side. And so there -- this setting is
- 24 kind of onto itself.
- MR. HUGHES: And it's the last house on the



- 1 street.
- 2 MR. ADLER: Yeah, it's a dead end also.
- MS. NARU: I'll just clarify. You know, I think
- 4 that's one of the other reasons -- and maybe it wasn't --
- 5 closely enough in the staff report, is that why it's so
- 6 important to chop off the left side, because I think it's
- 7 important to really have that width separation between non-
- 8 contributing and with a new house, and we were very clear
- 9 when we were making recommendations that we wanted this new
- 10 house to be in line with the other non-contributings down
- 11 the street. And so then when we approached this historic
- 12 house, the contributing house, there is a larger gap and you
- 13 can see that on your staff report for the next case on the
- 14 second to the last page, that the -- the goal is to maintain
- 15 a larger width between the proposed new house and the
- 16 historic house. And by putting massing, even though it is
- 17 set back, over on this side, you will start breaking up that
- 18 width and in Staff's mind, really start making this not very
- 19 differentiated in terms of its separation from the non-
- 20 contributing features on the block.
- So, if we do want to start going into that, we can
- 22 certainly give you a brief staff report about the new
- 23 construction and bring the new architect up. I would prefer
- 24 let's finish this one and then we can move on with the next.
- MS. WRIGHT: So that we sort of outline, the

- 1 Commissioners could address the four sort of issues we
- 2 talked about; size, type in concept, character of the
- 3 architecture of the new addition, and whether the hyphen
- 4 should be one or two stories. But I think size is a real
- 5 bottom line issue, and I hope you all can address that.
- 6 MS. ALDERSON: If we could start with the hyphen
- 7 concept, this is repeating theme in the challenge here is
- 8 the challenge of adding to a small building without
- 9 overwhelming it, and I love the idea of separating the mass.
- 10 I think that's a great step, and it's one way to be sure
- 11 that the old building doesn't get swallowed up, which
- 12 commonly happens when we have -- so the hyphen is perfect.
- 13 In my experience, a two-story hyphen is way bigger than a
- 14 two-story hyphen. It's a perceptual thing, but when you're
- 15 down on the street, just the massiveness of a two-story
- 16 hyphen is much greater. It will seem much more like a
- 17 school breezeway than if it's one story, so that's my
- 18 recommendation.
- 19 And then last, on the volume, I think that the --
- 20 having it pulled way back to the back of the lot is very
- 21 helpful. The principle concern I had is that the main view
- 22 that we're concerned with is the view from the street and
- 23 it's that -- yes, it's only maybe only 25 feet in width from
- 24 the side, we're the public, we see it from the street and
- 25 say, that's long -- like -- feet; something like that. I

- 1 mean, it's long. And so the question I would ask is can you
- 2 examine the mass to see if there's a way to make it not
- 3 quite so long so that as you look at the house, it doesn't
- 4 look like there's so much back there from the street.
- 5 And then one last comment. Although we never
- 6 encourage screening as the principle solution because trees
- 7 die, but since this is a wooded lot and it's sort of a very
- 8 strong part of the character of the property, I think we can
- 9 certainly encourage use of trees to maintain a character
- 10 with the added advantage that that can help to visually
- 11 reduce the volume, the bulk from the street.
- 12 And on the last issue, the contextual -- imitative
- 13 versus other approach, I think under the Secretary of
- 14 Interior Standards, there's a lot of room for
- 15 interpretation. There are a lot of ways to distinguish. I
- 16 would certainly encourage that we allow some flexibility in
- 17 how you interpret that. In my opinion, you could be non-
- 18 imitative and still be fairly contextual if that's what
- 19 works for you. It doesn't necessarily dictate or require
- 20 that you do high-contemporary, but I think there's a big --
- 21 there's a range in there so that it's possible to have
- 22 something that passing on the street, people won't say, "Oh,
- 23 there's two, you know, 1910 houses there." It will still --
- 24 work together.
- MR. BURSTYN: First of all, I would point out that



- 1 the addition does seem somewhat out of proportion to the
- 2 original house. However, as far as its -- the whole
- 3 position on the lot, the lot is over 10,000 square feet and
- 4 the original house only takes up six percent and the
- 5 addition, as you calculated, is only 16 percent. So, what
- 6 -- the way it fits on the lot may not be too much out of
- 7 line in my opinion.
- 8 However, the addition does seem extra long and in
- 9 looking at the interior design there, in the middle of the
- 10 addition you have this three-part stairway which I kind of
- 11 always liked that if you've got windows on a landing to look
- 12 out, but here you don't -- you're in the middle of the
- 13 addition and you're not going to have windows. You're just
- 14 going to have a wall, so I would -- I would make the
- 15 addition not quite as long, making a stairway that maybe is
- 16 perpendicular to the side of the house and so the stairway
- 17 is only one width instead of three widths. I mean, you can
- 18 take feet out of there.
- 19 As far as the hyphen, I like the hyphen. I think
- 20 it would work even better with just the middle floor hyphen,
- 21 without the top floor part, and I especially like the
- 22 windows that you have designed on this one side on the
- 23 windows below the two-door -- the little balcony thing. So,
- 24 if you just took that off and just had, I guess I tile roof
- 25 there. But I like the idea of having windows -- a lot of

- 1 windows on both sides of the hyphen to go back and forth,
- 2 and I think it's really important to put it in the living
- 3 part of the house; not the bedroom part of the house. So, I
- 4 like it in that middle floor.
- 5 That's it.
- 6 MR. ADLER: Thank you.
- 7 MR. FULLER: I guess, go through the four points
- 8 in order. From my perspective the most important, more
- 9 differentiation in the architecture both the back addition
- 10 and the hyphen. Number two, I think the addition should be
- 11 smaller. In particular, try to knock some of the length off
- 12 the west side of it. I don't really have a problem with the
- 13 east because not too many people are going to see it from
- 14 that side to the same extent.
- As it relates to the link, aesthetically from the
- 16 outside I'd like a single story link, but to speak to the
- 17 idea of maintaining the functionality of the existing house
- 18 as part of the new addition, it's hard to have a separate
- 19 bedroom unit if you don't have some connection. So, how to
- 20 solve that, I leave it in your capable hands as how
- 21 aesthetically to end up with it, but aesthetically it would
- 22 look better as a single story link, but functionally I can
- 23 see why you would want two.
- And as it relates to the hyphen, I think you have
- 25 it. I think we've all said it would be nice and I think



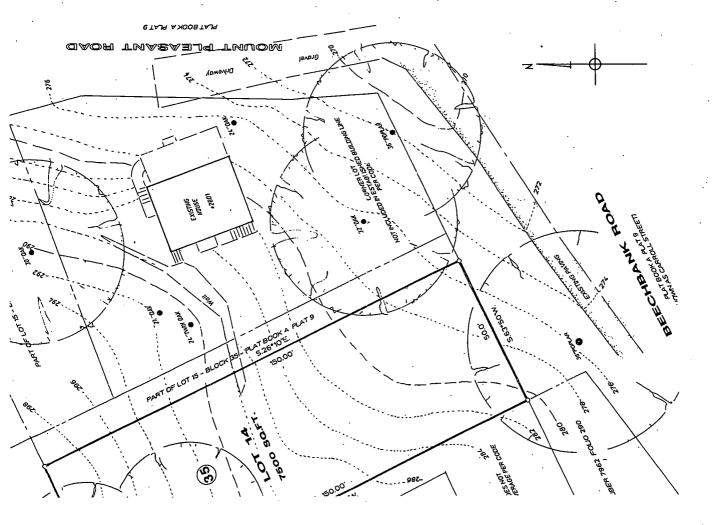
- 1 you're exactly right, that could be a nice little courtyard
- 2 space to the extent that you've got a link and a little bit
- 3 of space in there.
- 4 MR. ADLER: Thank you.
- 5 MS. WILLIAMS: I think I was pretty clear in that
- 6 I think you need to scale it back pretty aggressively. I
- 7 think a one-story hyphen definitely makes more sense.
- In terms of the style, I mean I think the
- 9 Secretary of Interior's Standards do give us a lot of leeway
- 10 there. I don't think it's a problem to be replicative as
- 11 long as its clearly an addition, and I think you can do that
- 12 by way of the hyphen. You know, I can't say stylistically
- 13 if you chose something else, because I don't know what it
- 14 looks like yet, so if you want to do some schematic drawings
- and present them, then we can probably comment from there.
- 16 But I think I'm more concerned about scale and massing and
- 17 size and materials than I am about style.
- MR. ADLER: Thank you.
- MS. WATKINS: I agree that I think the addition
- 20 should be reduced in size and that the hyphen, I think a
- 21 one-story hyphen I agree. And -- and I think that -- I
- 22 think that the addition needs to be differentiated in
- 23 styling.
- MS. ANAHTAR: I don't have a big problem with the
- 25 size here because -- I mean, I have a problem with the

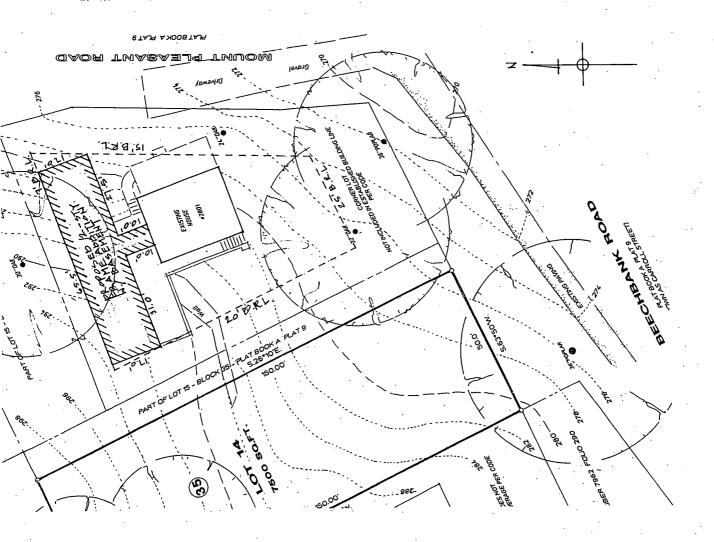


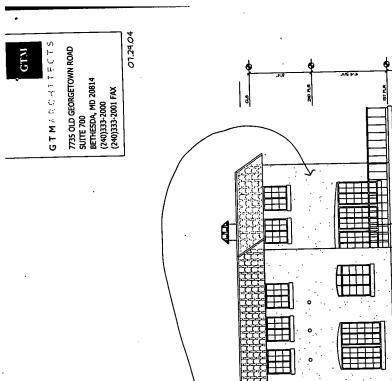
- 1 length and seeing a straight line in there. I think it
- 2 would be very helpful if you can break it, and I'm going to
- 3 come back to that later with the style, but let us first
- 4 start with the hyphen then. I agree that functionally you
- 5 need a second floor for the hyphen. I have one suggestion;
- 6 I don't know if it would help or not, but if you increase
- 7 the size of the first floor and keep it narrow on the second
- 8 floor by just having a roof maybe on the first floor, it
- 9 would just make it look smaller and less imposing than it
- 10 would be if it is two story.
- And for the style; yeah, I don't like to see a
- 12 larger version of the original house in the addition. I
- 13 would rather see -- borrow some elements from the original
- 14 house, but as Commissioner Fuller said, add more
- 15 contemporary features in the back. That way break that
- 16 length as well.
- MR. ADLER: Thank you.
- MS. O'MALLEY: So, I think basically you've heard
- 19 recommendations to make it smaller. I would add to that
- 20 that if the front of your house is 22, I would want to see
- 21 the addition as you're facing it on the left be half as long
- 22 as it is. And I think you could easily accomplish that and
- 23 really preserve that little courtyard that you made.
- I also prefer the one-story hyphen. And I don't
- 25 -- I don't feel strongly about the style in the back,



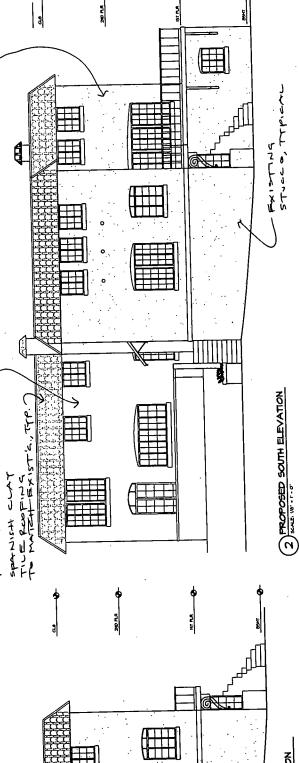
- 1 although as you change it, just be sure it's still
- 2 compatible with the original structure.
- 3 MR. ADLER: I just did want to say, which we
- 4 didn't bring up before, that with regard to color -- and,
- 5 actually, you know I can't even remember now if I -- we were
- 6 thinking -- we were talking if we were going to keep it the
- 7 same color --
- MS. NARU: We don't review colors, so you don't
- 9 have to --
- MR. ADLER: I guess they can change --
- MS. NARU: And I'll just make a note that Staff
- 12 was -- felt that the differentiation by using a frame
- 13 construction with stucco and using wood windows instead of
- 14 metal does help with that differentiation; at least when you
- 15 get close to it. You know, certainly I agree with the
- 16 Commissioners. I think we can make a more contemporary feel
- 17 to it.
- MS. O'MALLEY: Well, do you feel you have
- 19 something to work with then?
- 20 MR. ADLER: Yes, very much --
- MR. HUGHES: More than -- yeah.
- MS. O'MALLEY: All right, thank you.
- MR. ADLER: Thank you so much for your time and
- 24 your input.
- MS. O'MALLEY: Well, then I guess we're ready to







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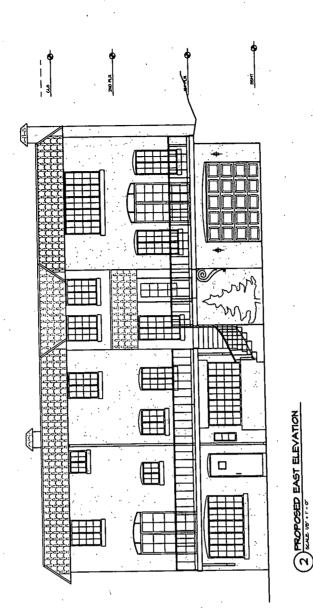


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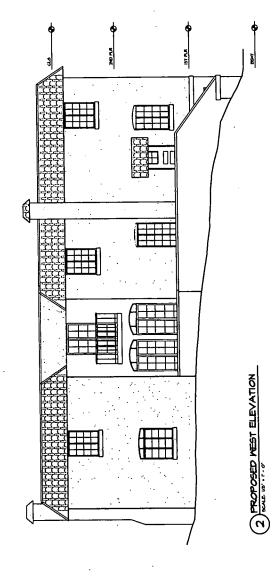
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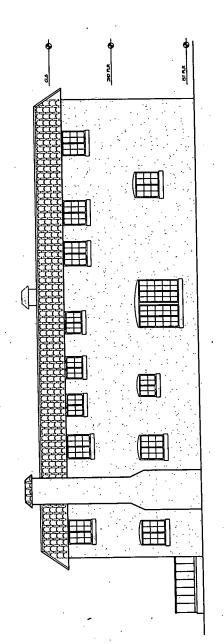




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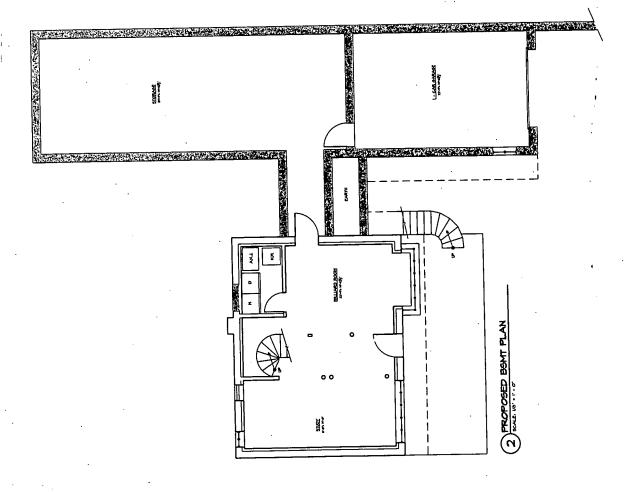




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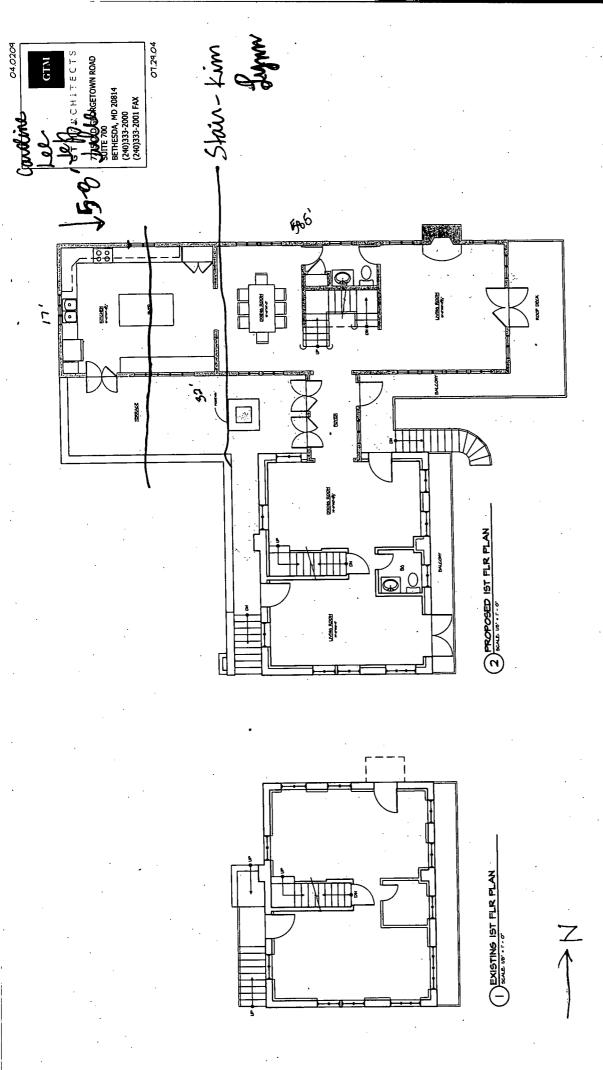




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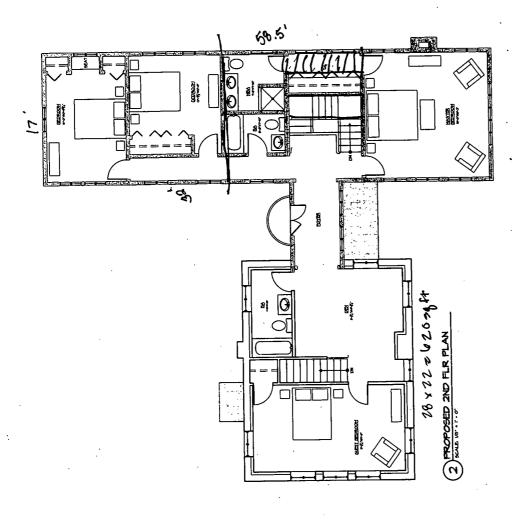
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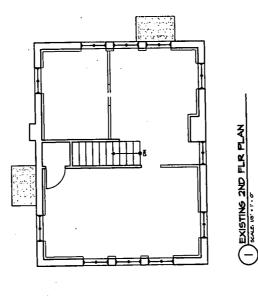


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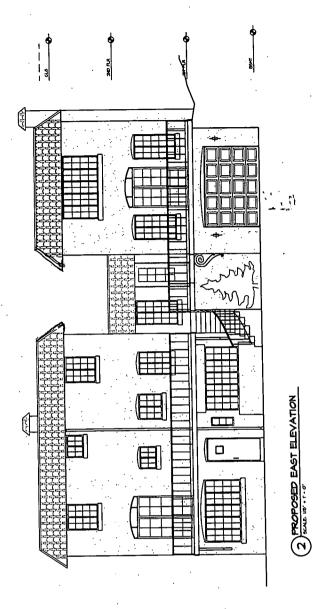






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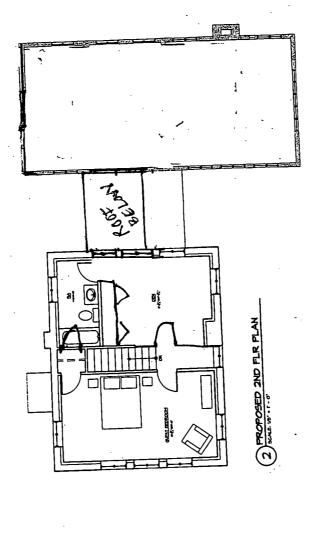
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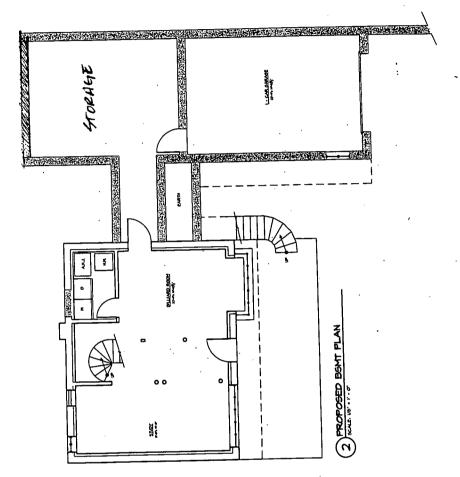
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HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION STAFF REPORT

Address: 2801 Beechbank Avenue, Silver Spring Meeting Date: 10/13/04

Resource: Contributing Resource Report Date: 10/06/04

Capitol View Park Historic District

Review: HAWP Public Notice: 09/29/04

Case Number: 31/07-04G Tax Credit: None

Applicant: Alan Adler (Mark Hughes, Agent) Staff: Michele Naru

PROPOSAL: Rear Addition

RECOMMEND: Approve with Conditions

RECOMMENDATION: Staff recommends that the Commission approve this HAWP application with the conditions that:

- 1. The addition must be reduced in size so that it does not exceed the western plane of the original house.
- 2. The connecting hyphen will be reduced to one-story.
- 3. The specification sheets outlining the manufacturer, model and description of product for all windows and doors, including garage, to be used in this project will be reviewed and approved at staff level. If these specification sheets do not illustrate materials and designs typically approved by the Commission and compatible with the historic structure, the staff will require that they be reviewed and approved by the Commission in a revision to the approved Historic Area Work Permit Application.
- 4. Tree protection plan for the root system of the 30' oak tree located on the adjacent lot to the north will be drafted by a certified arborist and reviewed and approved by staff prior to the project's commencement.

BACKGROUND:

The subject project was reviewed by the Commission as a Preliminary Consultation on September 8, 2004 (transcript and drawings from the Preliminary Consultation can be found beginning on circle

-). The Commission asked the architect to study and modify the program as follows:
 - 1. The majority of the Commission wanted a reduction of the hyphen to a one-story connection. Two of the Commissioners conveyed that they understood the need for the second story on the hyphen and could entertain a modified design.

- 2. The majority of the Commission wanted the western section of the new, rear addition substantially reduced in size. Commissioner O'Malley suggested that the western wing beyond the plane of the original massing's side elevation be no greater than ½ of the width of the main massing.
- 3. The majority of the Commission encouraged a contemporary architectural style on the addition utilizing borrowed elements from the original house to help to differentiate the new massing from the addition.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

SIGNIFICANCE: Contributing Resource within Capitol View Park Historic District.

STYLE: Mediterranean DATE: 1917-1935

This two-story, three bay, dwelling with raised basement is located within the Capitol View Park Historic District. The main entry is located on the north (side) elevation of the house. The entry is covered with a shed roof sheathed in Spanish tile. The house is constructed in concrete and is detailed with metal casement windows and wrought iron railings. The roof is a shallow hip sheathed in Spanish tile and ornamented with an exterior end chimney also constructed of concrete. The subject lot contains several mature trees.

PROPOSAL: The subject proposal will:

- 1. Remove a portion of the foundation wall on the basement level, an existing window on the first floor and two windows on the second floor to create an entry into a new, two-story with basement, hyphen addition. The height of the hyphen will be 1' lower than existing roof height on the historic massing.
- 2. Construct a two-story rear addition with basement garage onto the new hyphen addition. This addition will be of frame construction, faced in stucco and sheathed in Spanish tile to match the existing house. The height of the addition will match the existing roof height on the historic massing. The applicant is proposing to utilize wood casement windows on the addition.
- 3. Construct a new terrace along the west elevation of the historic massing to connect the historic house to the addition.
- 4. Remove a 24" oak tree and a 24" twin oak tree from the property.

APPLICABLE GUIDELINES:

When reviewing alterations and additions to contributing resources within the Capitol View Park *Master Plan* Historic District two documents are to be utilized as guidelines to assist the

Commission in developing their decision. These documents include the Montgomery County Code Chapter 24A (Chapter 24A) and the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation (Standards). The pertinent information in these documents is outlined below.

Montgomery County Code; Chapter 24A

A HAWP permit should be issued if the Commission finds that:

- 1. The proposal will not substantially alter the exterior features of a historic site or historic resource within a historic district.
- 2. The proposal is compatible in character and nature with the historical archaeological, architectural or cultural features of the historic site or the historic district in which a historic resource is located and would not be detrimental thereto of to the achievement of the purposes of this chapter.
- 3. The proposal would enhance or aid in the protection, preservation and public or private utilization of the historic site or historic resource located within an historic district in a manner compatible with the historical, archaeological, architectural or cultural value of the historic site or historic district in which an historic resource is located.

Secretary of the Interior's Guidelines for Rehabilitation

- #2 The historic character of a property will be retained and preserved. The removal of distinctive materials or alteration of features, spaces and spatial relationships that characterize a property will be avoided.
- Distinctive materials, features, finishes and construction techniques or examples of craftsmanship that characterize a property will be preserved.
- Mew additions, exterior alterations, or related new construction will not destroy historic materials, features, and spatial relationships that characterize the property. The new work shall be differentiated from the old and will be compatible with the historic materials, features, size, scale and proportion, and massing to protect the integrity of the property and its environment.
- New additions and adjacent new construction will be undertaken in such a manner that, if removed in the future, the essential form and integrity of the historic property and its environment would be unimpaired.

STATISTICS:

Current Proposal:

Existing footprint:

approx 620 sq. ft.

Proposed additions footprints:

approx. 1,105 sq. ft.

Total new footprint:

approx. 1,725 sq. ft.

Lot size:

10,272 sq. ft.

Existing Lot coverage:

6%

Proposed Lot coverage:

16.7%

Preliminary Consultation Proposal:

Existing footprint: approx 620 sq. ft.

Proposed additions footprints: approx. 1,283 sq. ft.

Total new footprint: approx. 1,903 sq. ft.

Lot size: 10,272 sq. ft.

Existing Lot coverage: 6%

Proposed Lot coverage: 18.5%

STAFF DISCUSSION

Staff feels that the applicant and his architect have not addressed many of the comments the Commission and staff conveyed at the Preliminary Consultation.

Topic #1 The majority of the Commission wanted a reduction of the hyphen to a one-story connection. Two of the Commissioners conveyed that they understood the need for the second story on the hyphen and could entertain a modified design.

The applicant modified their original design for the hyphen to a 2-story "glassy" addition and the height of this addition is 1' lower than the existing roof height of the main massing. The roofing material for the hyphen is not identified.

Staff feels that the current proposal is an improvement, but the hyphen should still be onestory as recommended by the Commission. With stairways in both massings (historic and proposed), a one-story with basement hyphen should be sufficient and also would not require the removal of two additional windows in the second level of the main massing. Additionally, staff would like to see that the entry from the historic massing to the hyphen be accomplished through the use of the existing door opening.

Topic #2 The majority of the Commission wanted the western section of the new, rear addition substantially reduced in size. Commissioner O'Malley directed that the western wing beyond the plane of the original massing's side elevation be no greater than ½ of the width of the main massing.

This addition has been reduced in length by 10.5'. The western extension will be 14' beyond the plane of the original massing's side elevation, which is approximately 2/3 of the width of the main massing. (The width of the massing is 22'.) The overall design has not been significantly altered.

Staff is still concerned with the proposed size of the addition. The addition is still more than double the original massing. With the footprint being very linear, it creates a "T" shape in form, causing the addition to overwhelm the original. In order to not adversely affect the character of the District, the streetscape or the architecture of the original house, staff continues to suggest a re-design and reduction of the proposed massing so it does not exceed

the western plane of the original massing (see staff's previous recommendation drawings from the Preliminary Consultation beginning on circle).

Topic #3 The majority of the Commission encouraged a contemporary architectural style on the addition utilizing borrowed elements from the original house to help to differentiate the new massing from the addition.

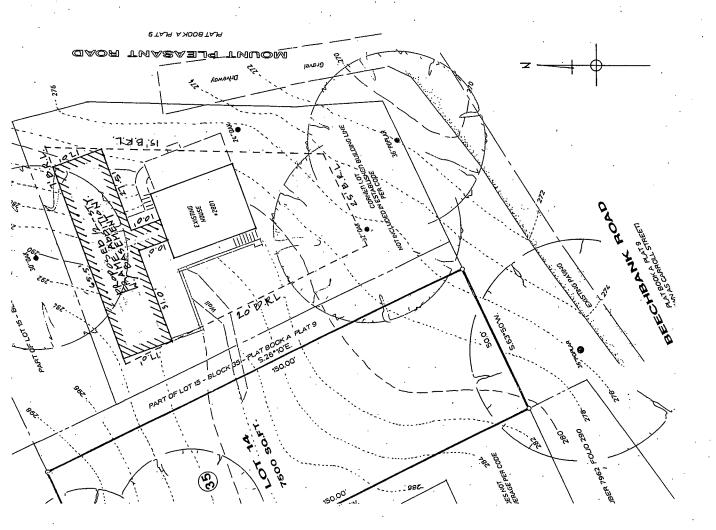
The architect modified the elevations of the new massing to reflect a more contemporary interpretation of the original architectural style. Staff feels that this has been successful.

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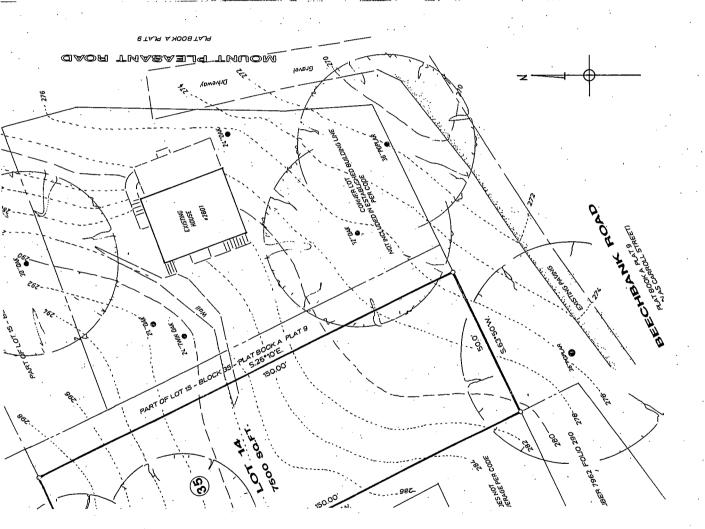
Staff recommends that the Commission *approve with the above-stated conditions* this HAWP application as being consistent with Chapter 25A-8(b) 1, 2 and 3.

and with the Secretary of the Interior's Standards 2, 5, 9 & 10:

and with the general conditions applicable to all Historic Area Work Permits that the applicant shall also present three, (3) permit sets of drawings to HPC staff for review and stamping prior to submission for permits, and shall arrange for a field inspection by the Montgomery County Department of Permitting Services (DPS), Field Services Office, five days prior to commencement of work, and within two weeks following completion of work.



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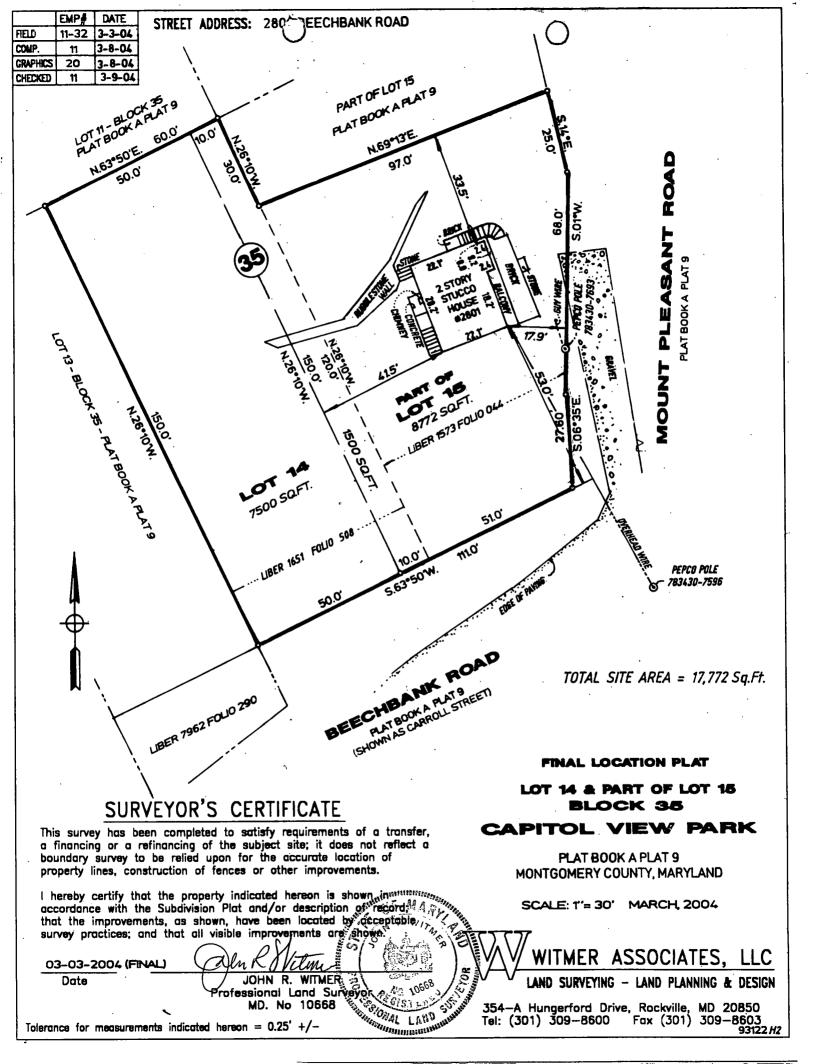
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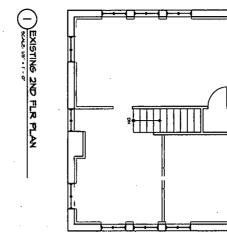
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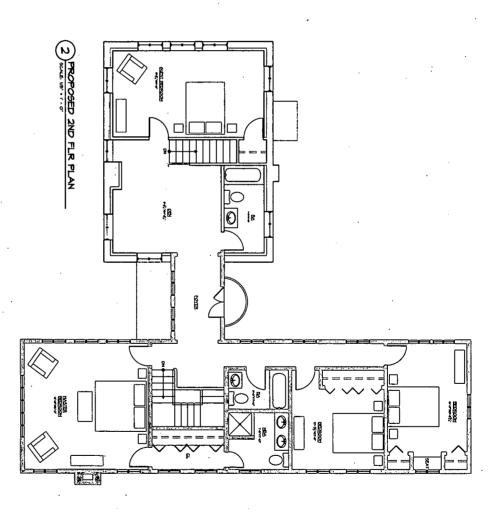
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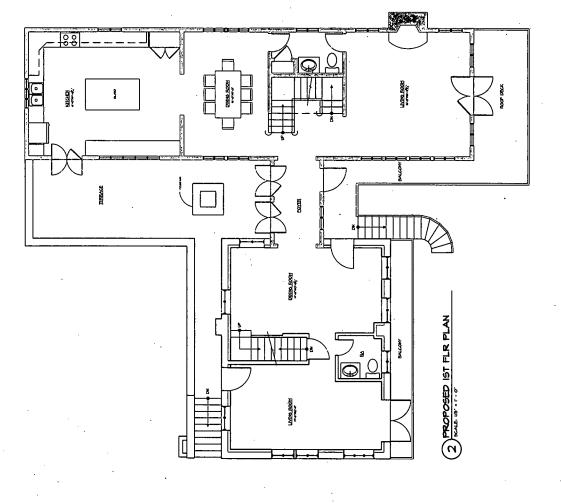
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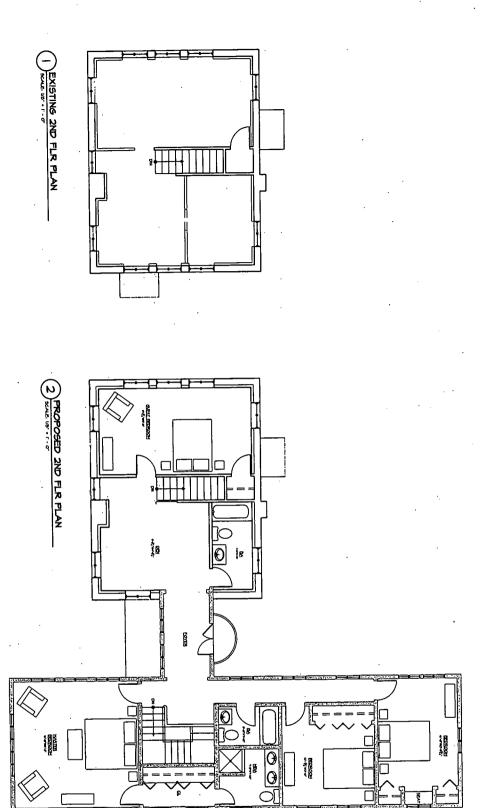
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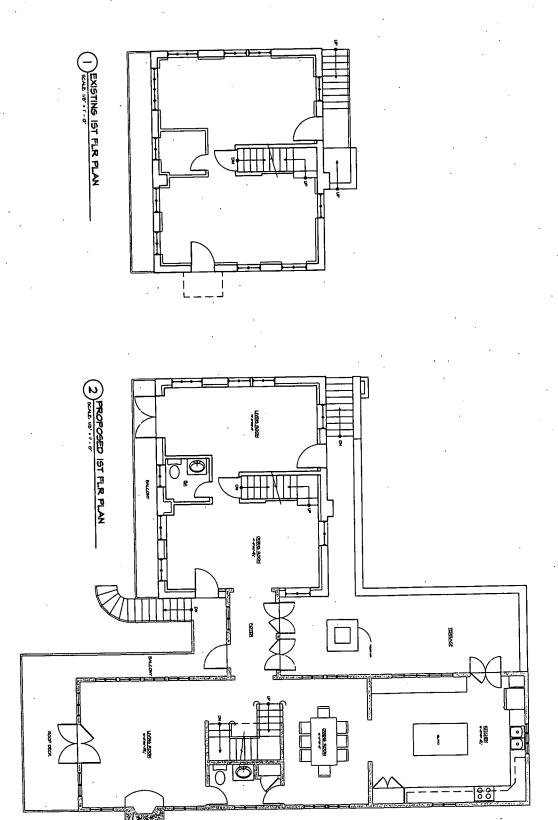
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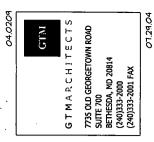
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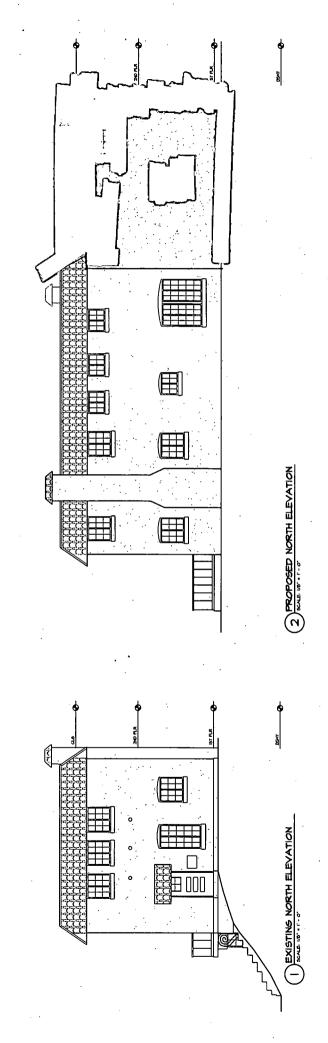
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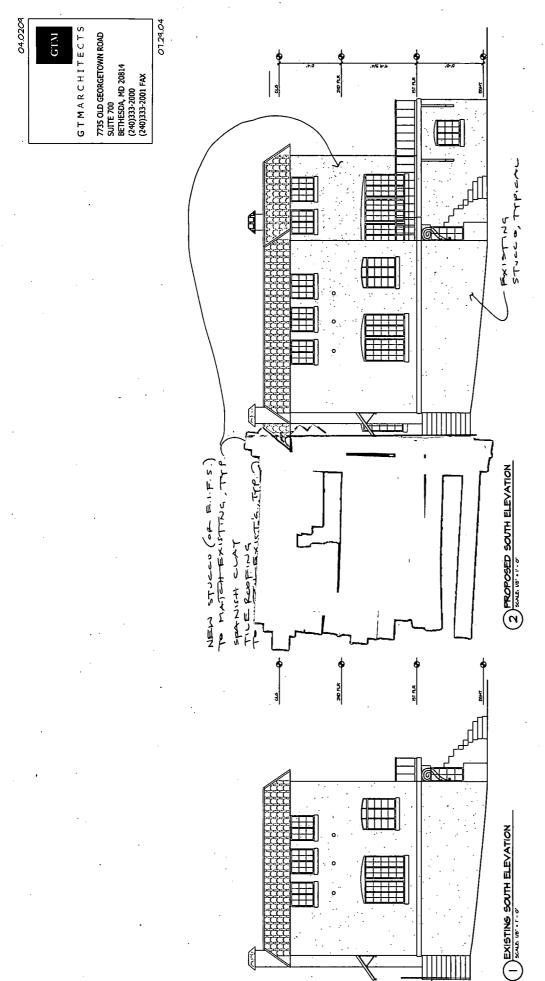
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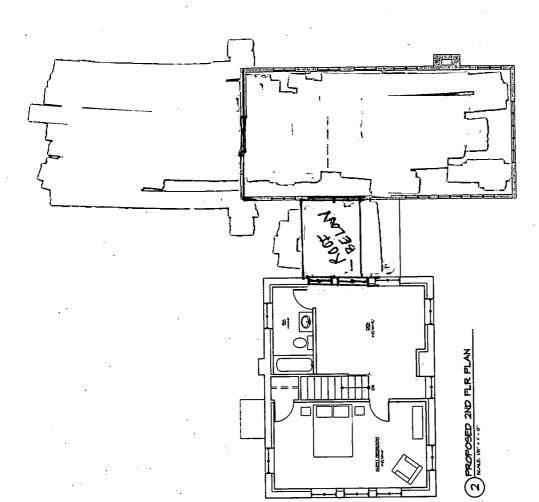
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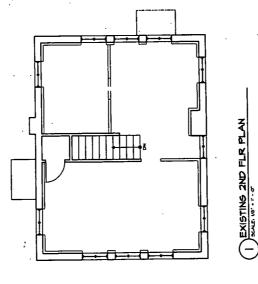


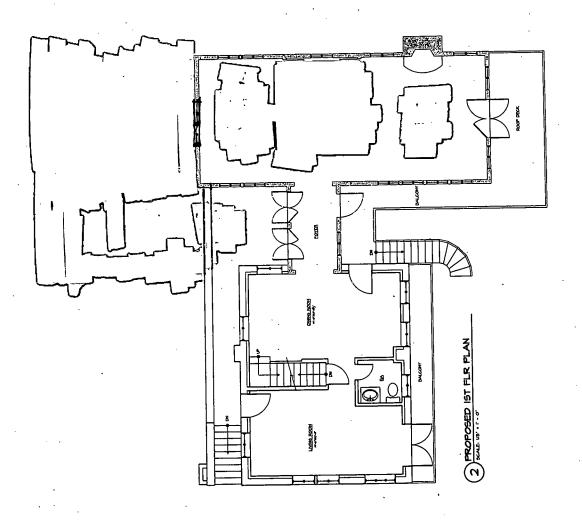




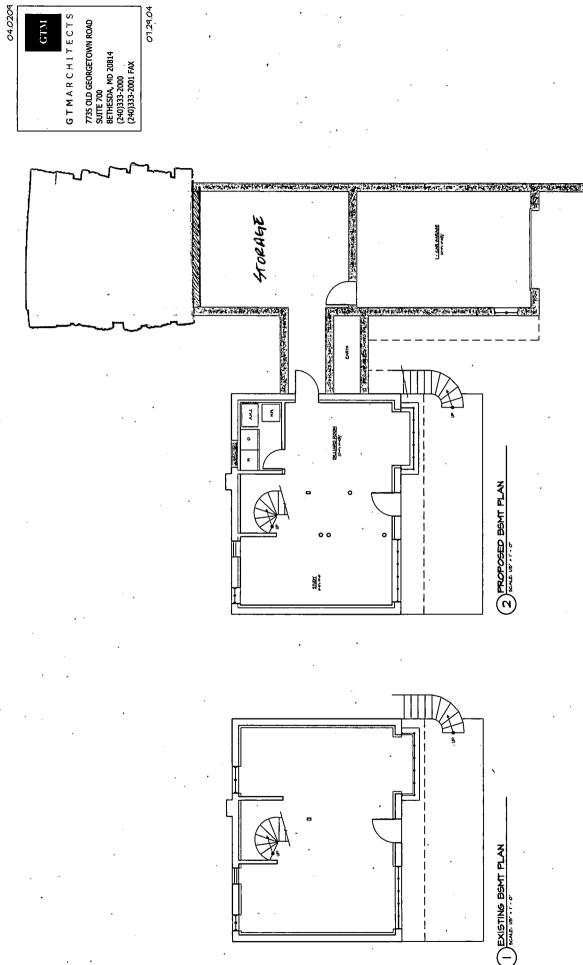








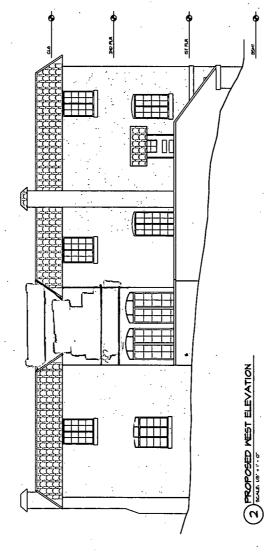
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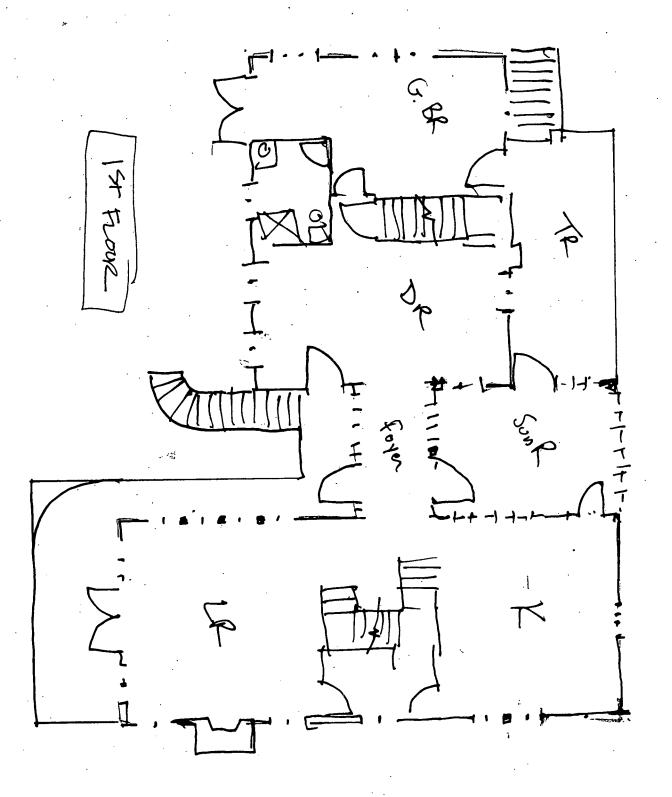
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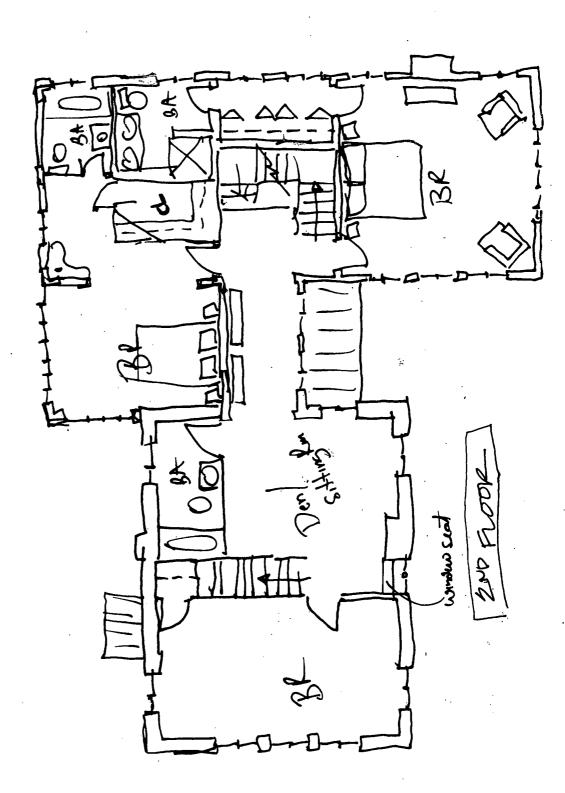


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SILVER SPRING, MARYLAND 20910

September 8, 2004

Historic Preservation Commission 1109 Spring Street Silver Spring, MD FAX 301-563-3412

Re: Preliminary consultation Alan Adler for major addition at 2801 Beechbank Road

We concur with many of the staff recommendations, in particular with respect to overall size. The addition should be smaller in size. We agree and are pleased the applicant seeks to remain true to the Mediterranean style.

We too are concerned about trees on the property and recommend that a tree survey be made and that as many trees as possible are saved.

We do not agree that the so-called hyphen should be one story. It would not be visible from the front of the house and as such is not offensive to our historic area.

Capitol View Park Citizens Association Zoning committee

Co-chairs

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September 8, 2004 1109 Spring Street Silver Spring, MD FAX 301-563-3412

Re: Preliminary consultation, Alan Adler for new house at 2805 Beechbank Road

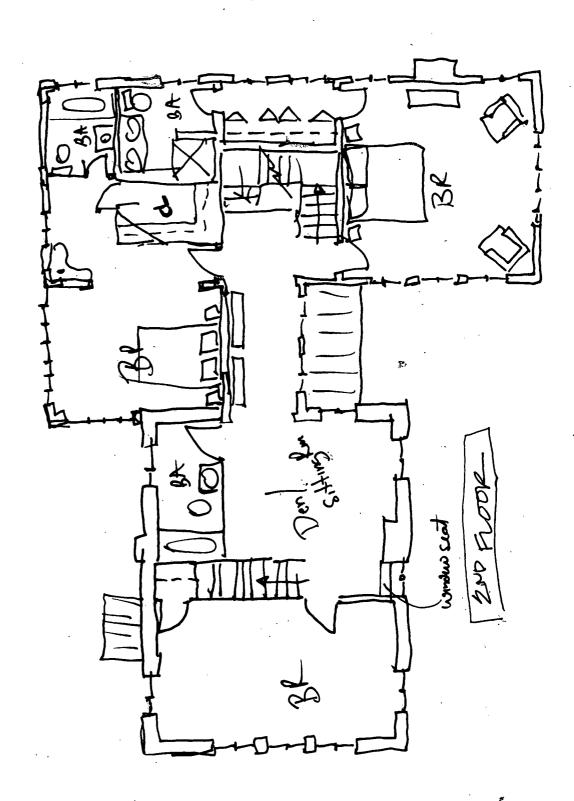
We agree with staff that the footprint of the building should not exceed approximately 1,000 square feet at the first floor footprint. In addition, we support the request for a tree survey and plan to protect trees. Nonetheless, only one neighbor has received the proposed application and as the neighbors are most affected by the new construction, we would ask that the hearing on this application be postponed until the above changes are made, additional drawings are included and that all adjoining properties are notified with sufficient advance notice to be able to comment.

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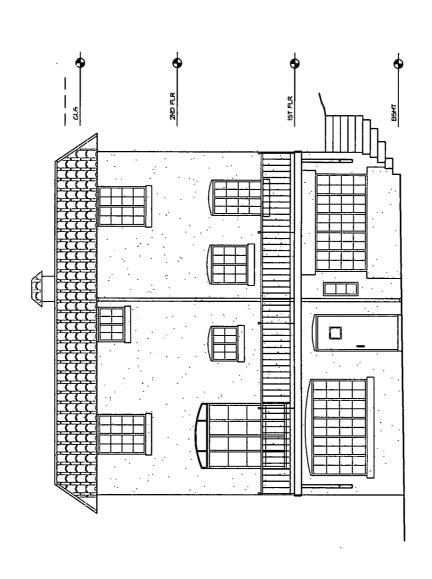
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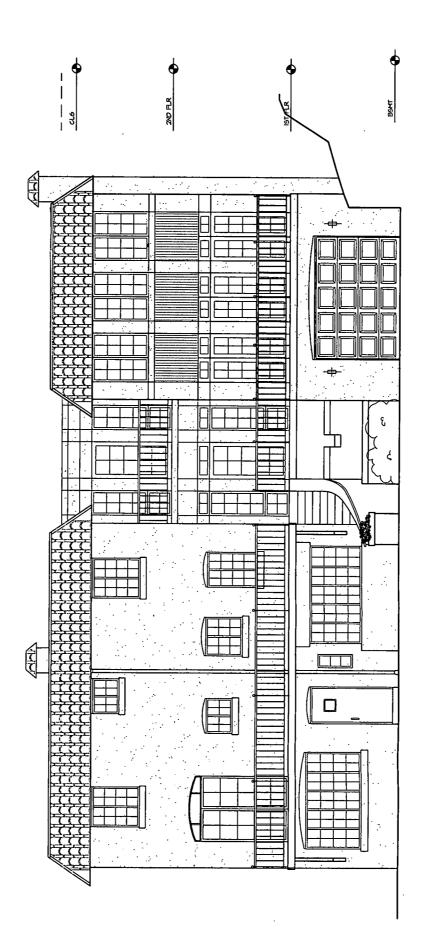
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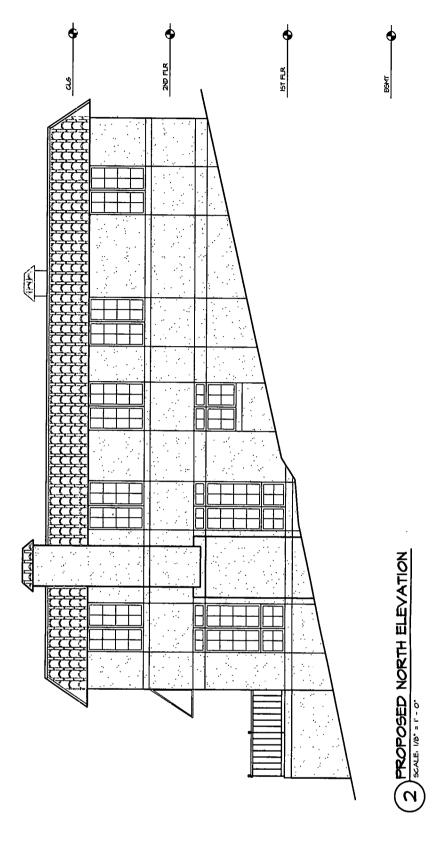
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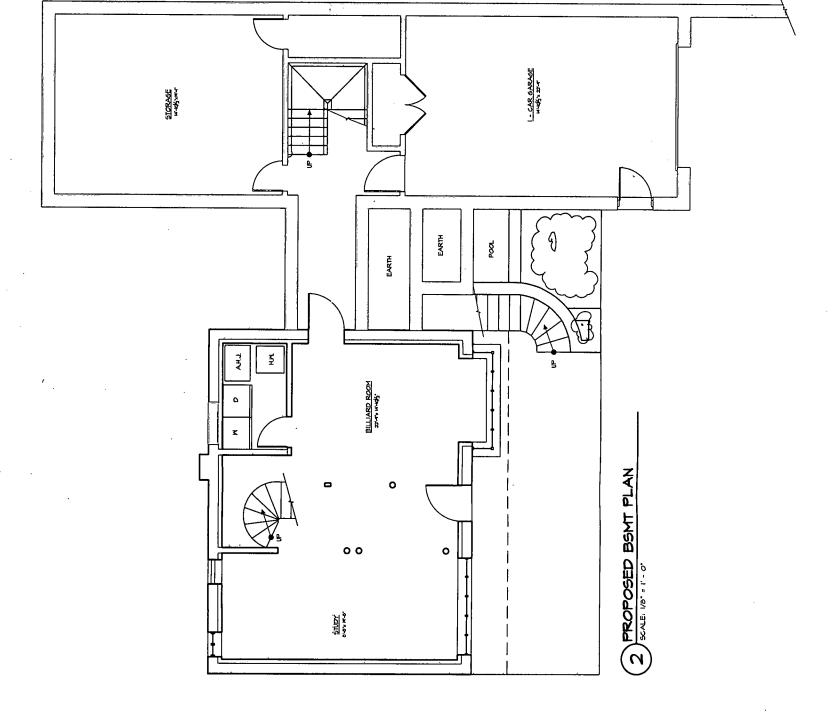


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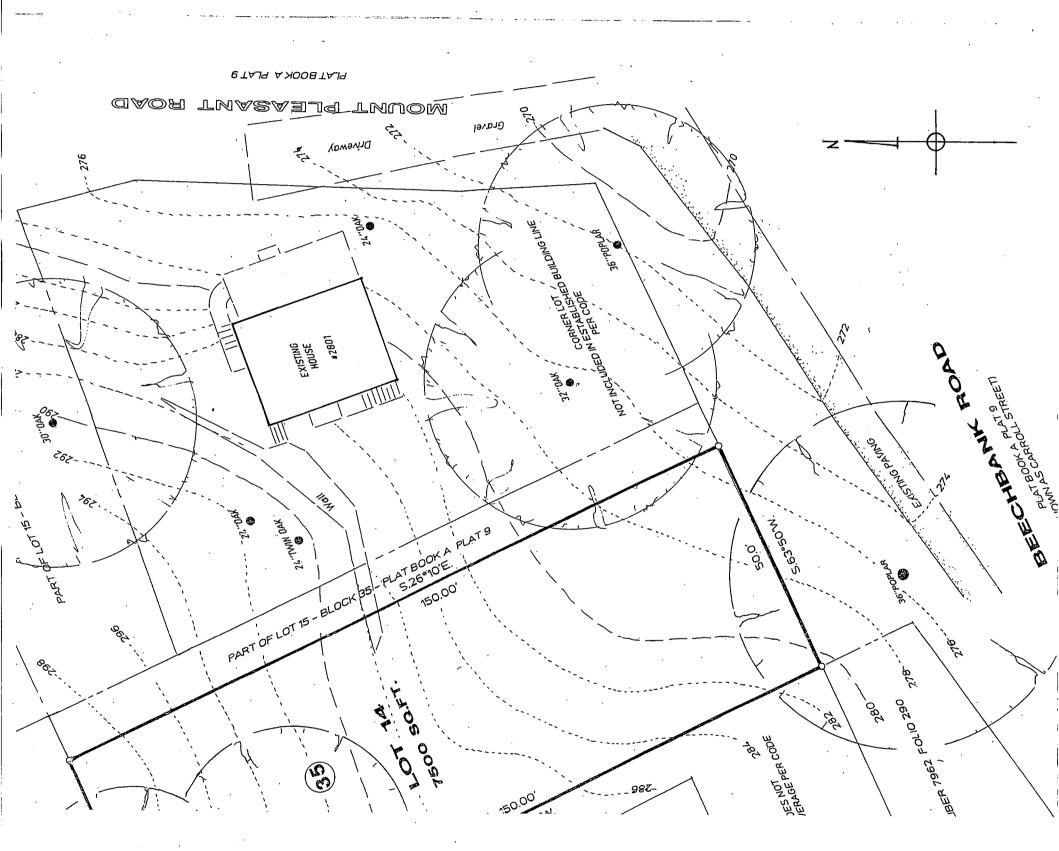
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HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION STAFF REPORT

Address:

2801 Beechbank Avenue, Silver Spring

Meeting Date:

09/08/04

Resource:

Review:

Contributing Resource

Preliminary Consultation

Report Date:

09/01/04

Capitol View Park Historic District

Public Notice:

08/25/04

Case Number: N/A

Tax Credit:

None

Applicant: Alan Adler (Mark Hughes, Agent)

Staff:

Michele Naru

PROPOSAL: Rear Addition

RECOMMEND: Revise and proceed to Second Preliminary Consutlation

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

SIGNIFICANCE:

Contributing Resource within Capital View Park Historic District.

STYLE:

Mediterranean

DATE:

1917-1935

This two-story, three bay, dwelling with raised basement is located within the Capitol View Park Historic District. The main entry is located on the north (side) elevation of the house. The entry is covered with a shed roof sheathed in Spanish tile. The house is constructed in concrete and is detailed with metal casement windows and wrought iron railings. The roof is a shallow hip sheathed in Spanish tile and ornamented with an exterior end chimney also constructed of concrete. The subject lot contains several mature trees.

PROPOSAL: The subject proposal will:

- 1. Remove a portion of the foundation wall on the basement level, an existing window on the first floor and two windows on the second floor to create an entry into a new, two-story with basement, hyphen addition. The height of the hyphen will match the existing roof height on the historic massing.
- 2. Construct a two-story rear addition with basement garage onto the new hyphen addition. This addition will be of frame construction, faced in stucco and sheathed in Spanish tile to match the existing house. The height of the addition will match the existing roof height on the historic massing. The applicant is proposing to utilize wood casement windows on the addition.

3. Construct a new terrace along the west elevation of the historic massing to connect the historic house to the addition.

STATISTICS:

Existing footprint:

approx 620 sq. ft.

Proposed addition's footprint:

approx. 1050 sq. ft.

Total new footprint:

approx. 1670 sq. ft.

Lot size:

10,272 sq. ft.

Existing Lot coverage:

6%

Proposed Lot coverage:

16%

APPLICABLE GUIDELINES:

When reviewing alterations and additions to contributing resources within the Capitol View Park Master Plan Historic District two documents are to be utilized as guidelines to assist the Commission in developing their decision. These documents include the Montgomery County Code Chapter 24A (Chapter 24A) and the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation (Standards). The pertinent information in these documents is outlined below.

Montgomery County Code; Chapter 24A

A HAWP permit should be issued if the Commission finds that:

- 1. The proposal will not substantially alter the exterior features of a historic site or historic resource within a historic district.
- 2. The proposal is compatible in character and nature with the historical archaeological, architectural or cultural features of the historic site or the historic district in which a historic resource is located and would not be detrimental thereto of to the achievement of the purposes of this chapter.
- 5. The proposal is necessary in order that the owner of the subject property not be deprived of reasonable use of the property or suffers undue hardship.

Secretary of the Interior's Guidelines for Rehabilitation

- #2 The historic character of a property will be retained and preserved. The removal of distinctive materials or alteration of features, spaces and spatial relationships that characterize a property will be avoided.
- #5 Distinctive materials, features, finishes and construction techniques or examples of craftsmanship that characterize a property will be preserved.

- #9 New additions, exterior alterations, or related new construction will not destroy historic materials, features, and spatial relationships that characterize the property. The new work shall be differentiated from the old and will be compatible with the historic materials, features, size, scale and proportion, and massing to protect the integrity of the property and its environment.
- #10 New additions and adjacent new construction will be undertaken in such a manner that, if removed in the future, the essential form and integrity of the historic property and its environment would be unimpaired.

STAFF DISCUSSION

Topic #1 Remove a portion of the foundation wall on the basement level, an existing window on the first floor and two windows on the second floor to create an entry into a new, two-story with basement, hyphen addition. The height of the hyphen will match the existing roof height on the historic massing.

Staff does not object to the utilization of existing fenestrations to provide access to an addition. However, staff is concerned with this current design's program to alter a window on the first story, where there is an existing door that could be utilized, and altering two windows on the second story.

As the design program illustrates, the main objective of the hyphen is to provide interior access to the new addition only. As such, with stairways in both massings (historic and proposed) a one-story with basement hyphen should be sufficient and also would not require the removal of two additional windows in the second level of the main massing. Additionally, staff would like to see that the entry from the historic massing to the hyphen be accomplished through the use of the existing door opening. Finally, staff would like to see the hyphen's design to be more "glassy" in form. This detail will provide a visual separation of the historic and proposed massings.

Topic #2 Construct a two-story rear addition onto the new hyphen addition. This addition will be of frame construction, faced in stucco and sheathed in Spanish tile to match the existing house. The height of the addition will match the existing roof height on the historic massing. The applicant is proposing to utilize wood casement windows on the addition.

Staff commends the applicant's use of compatible materials and design for this addition. The materials are compatible but not replicative (frame with stucco instead of concrete, wood windows instead of metal) and are compatible with the existing architectural style.

Staff's main concern with the proposed addition is its size. In footprint, the addition is almost double the original massing. Additionally, the footprint is very linear, causing it to

overwhelm the original. In order to not adversely affect the character of the District, the streetscape or the architecture of the original house, staff suggests a re-design and reduction of the proposed massing so it does not exceed the western plane of the original massing (see staff's recommendation drawings beginning on circle).

Topic #3 Construct a new (uncovered) terrace along the west elevation of the historic massing to connect the historic house to the addition.

Staff does not object to this design detail.

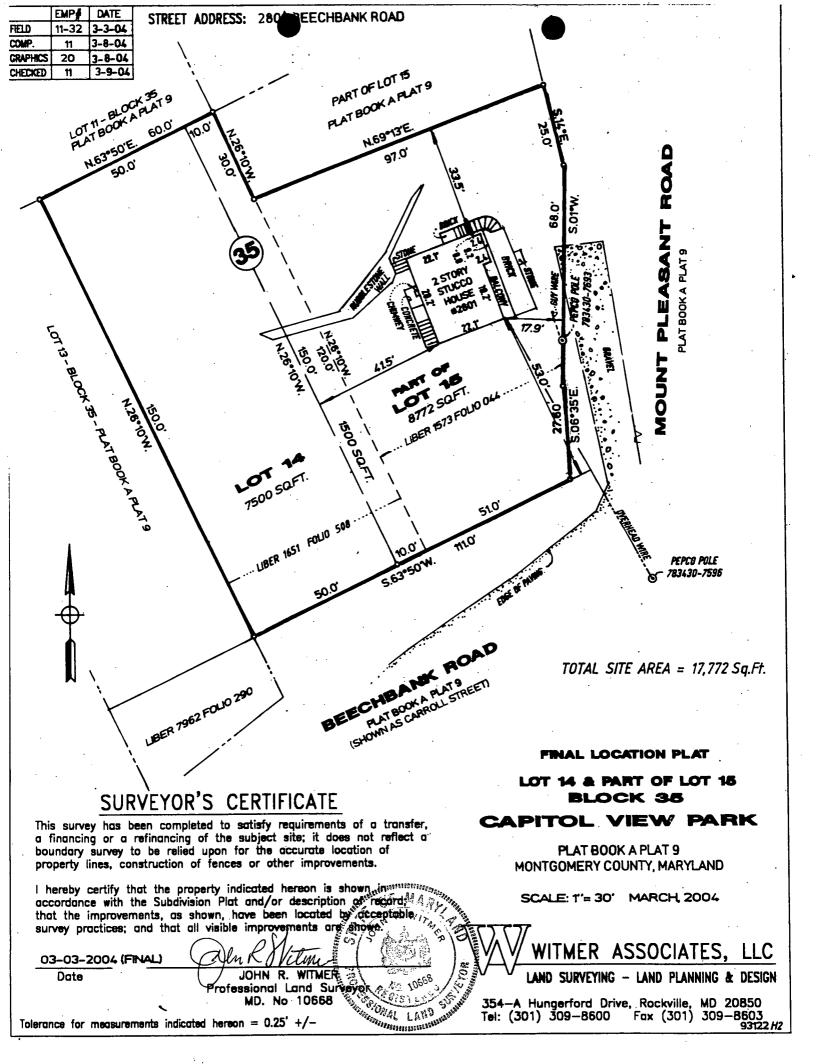
STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the applicant revise their plans based on the above staff discussion and the Commission's comments and then return to the Commission for a second preliminary consultation. Staff will work with the architect in the development of the revised plans if desired.

Additionally for the second preliminary consultation, staff requests specification sheets outlining the manufacturer, model and description of product for the windows and doors, people and garage, to be used in this new addition.

Finally, staff notes that this property contains several large trees, which contribute to the landscape of the historic district. For the second preliminary consultation, the applicant should submit a tree survey and protection plan to the Commission outlining the trees (larger than 6" in diameter) to be saved and protected and the trees to be removed.

Please note that the exterior and interior rehabilitation of the historic building is eligible for County (only exterior), State and possibly Federal Tax Credits.

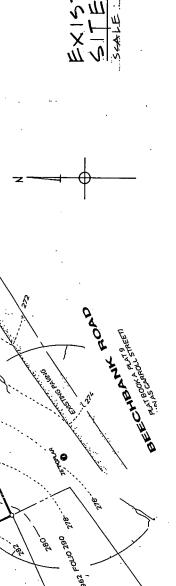


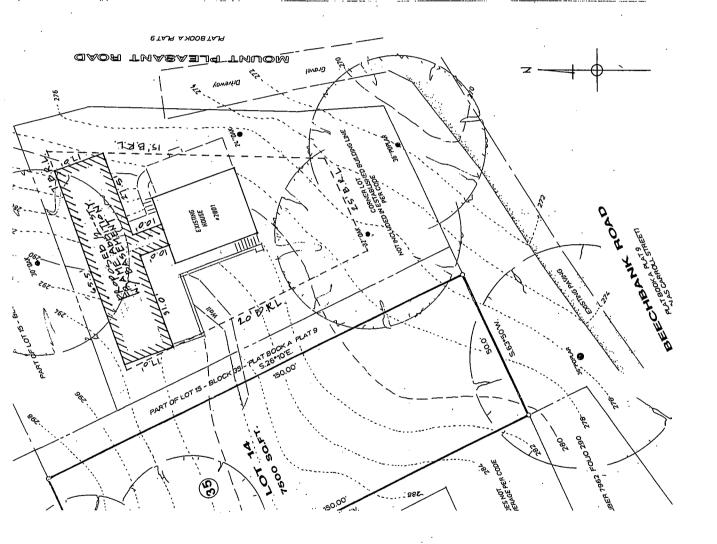
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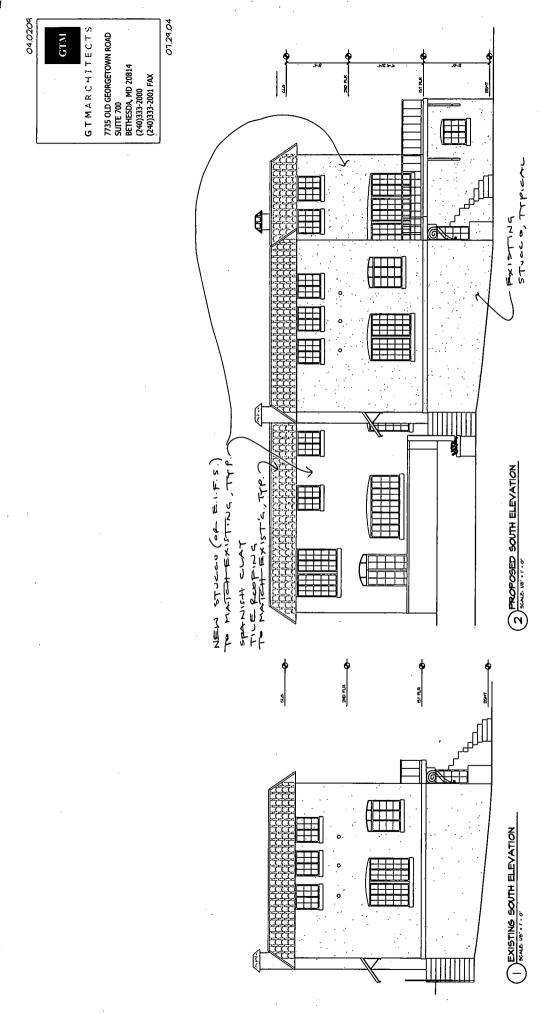
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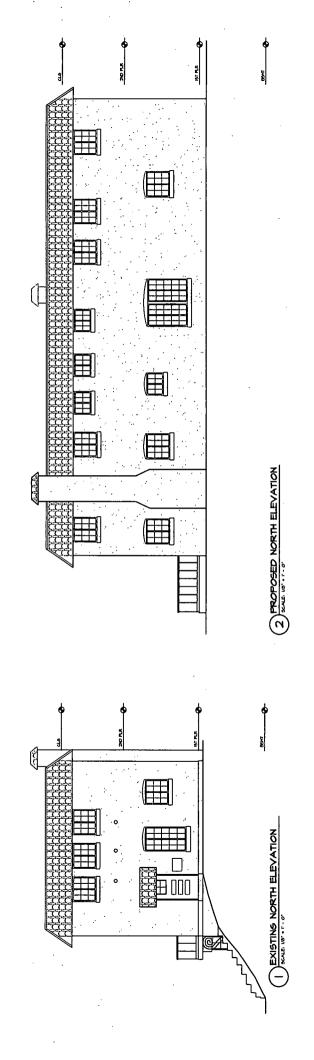
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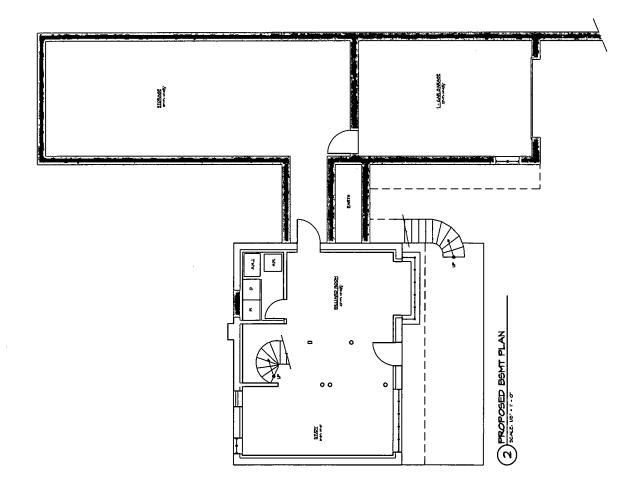
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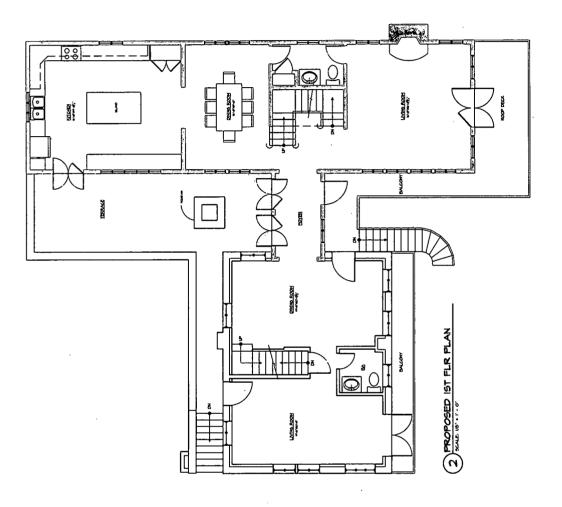
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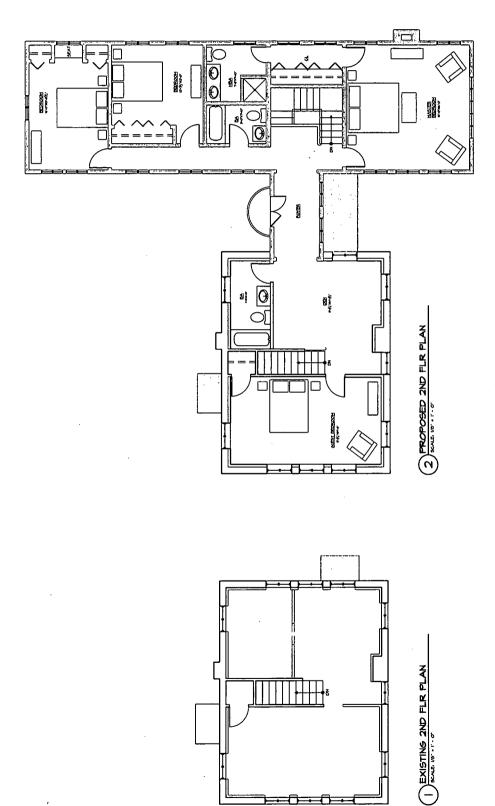
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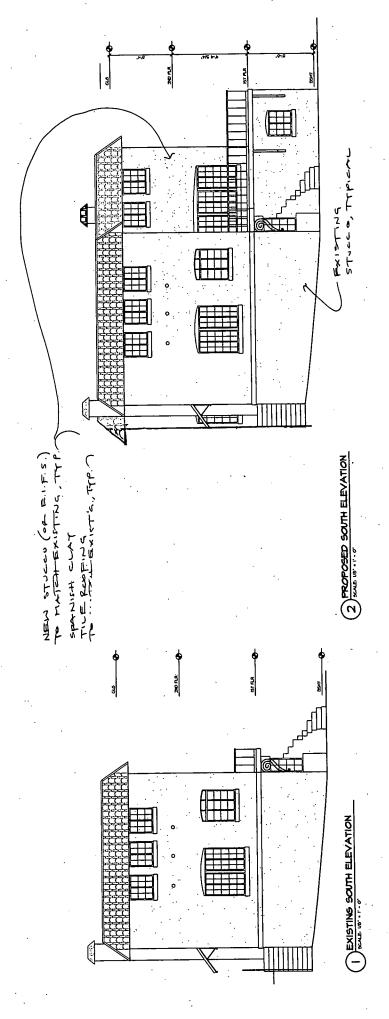
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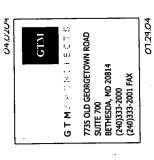
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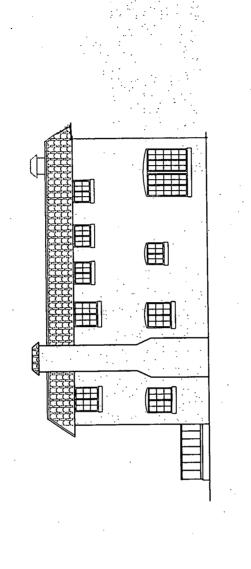




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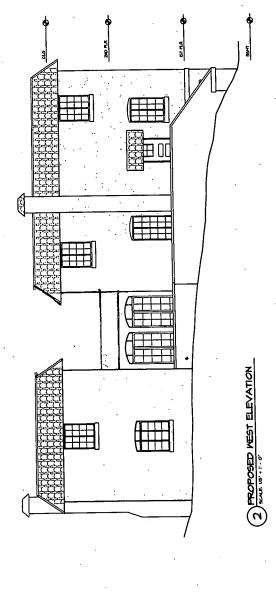
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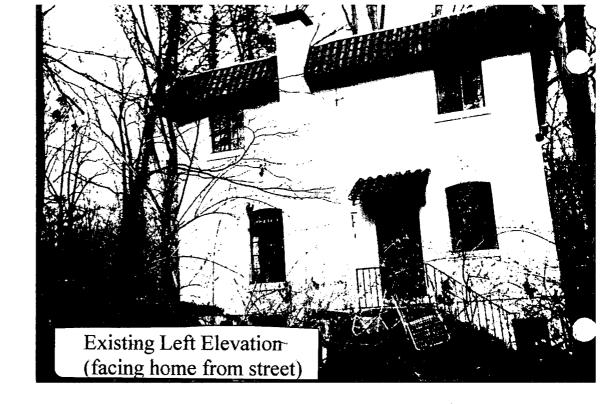
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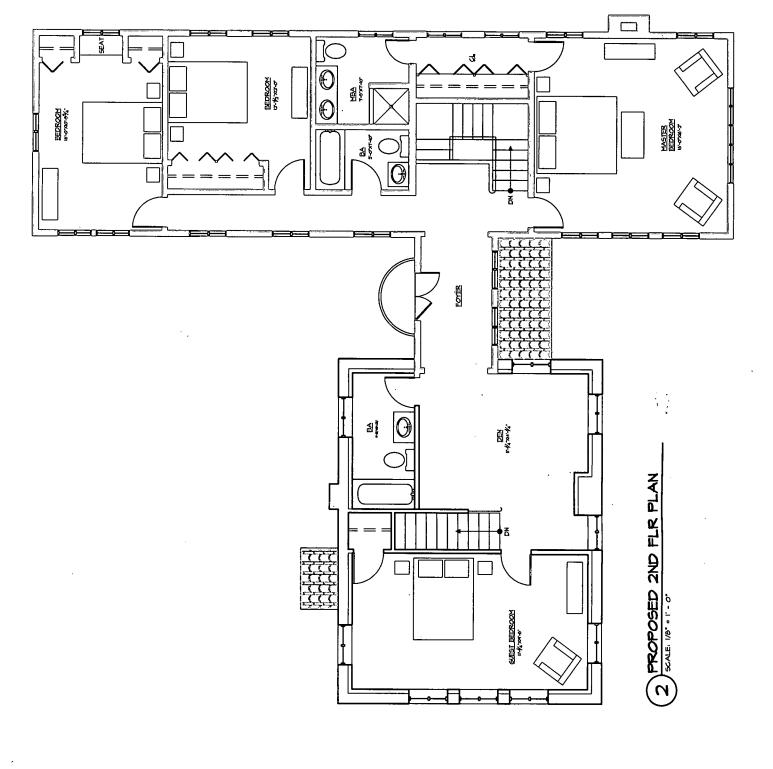








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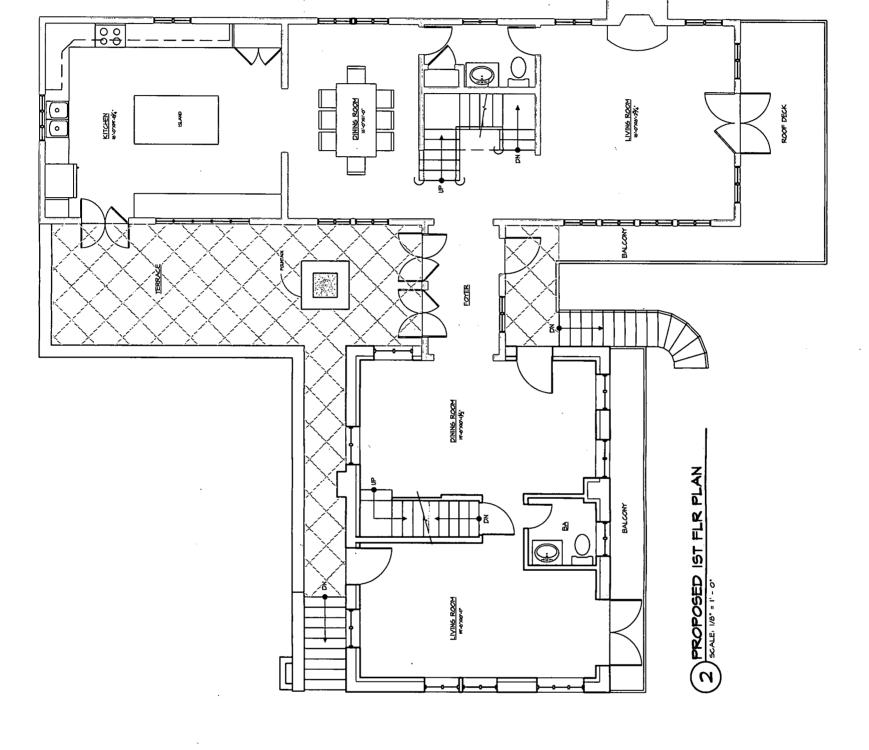
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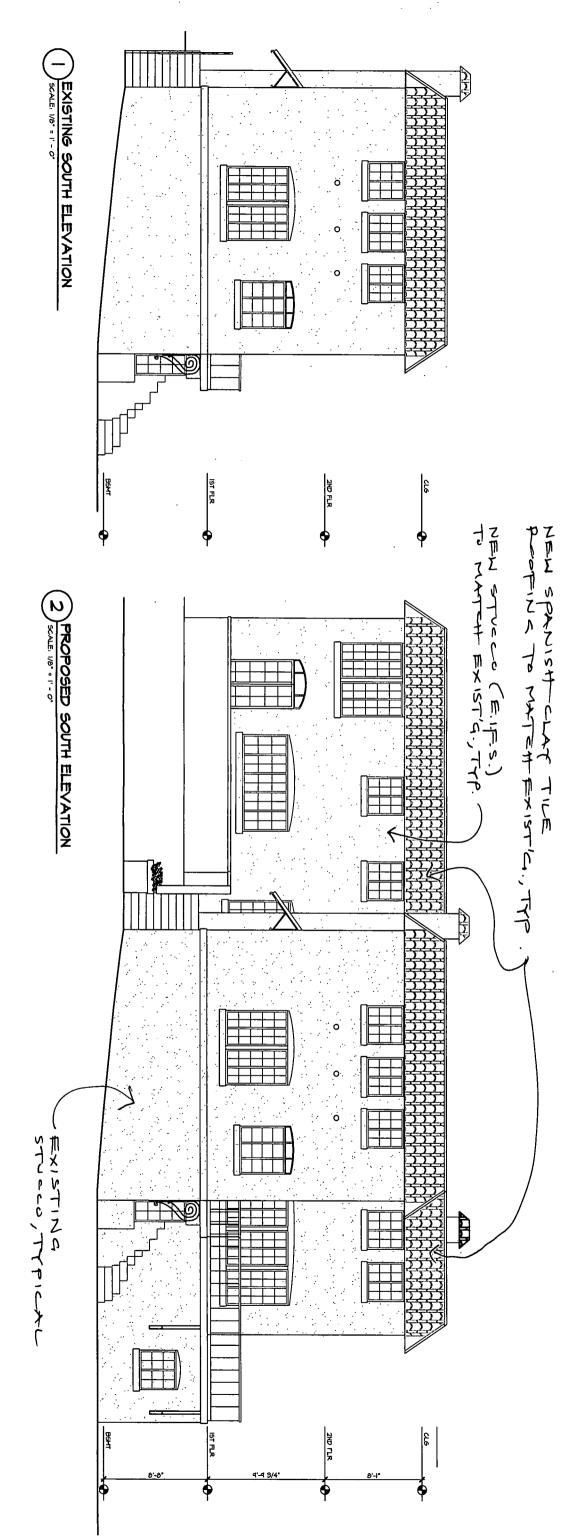


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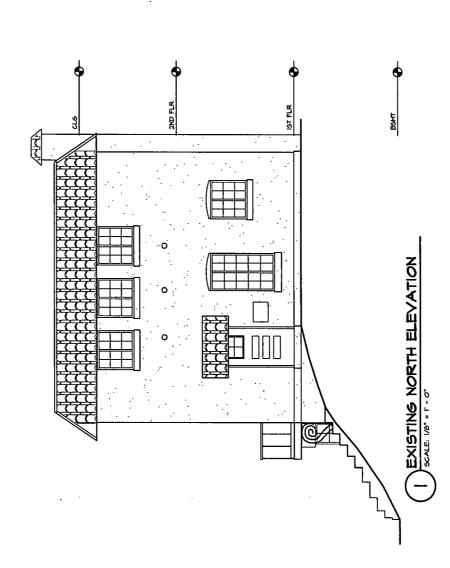
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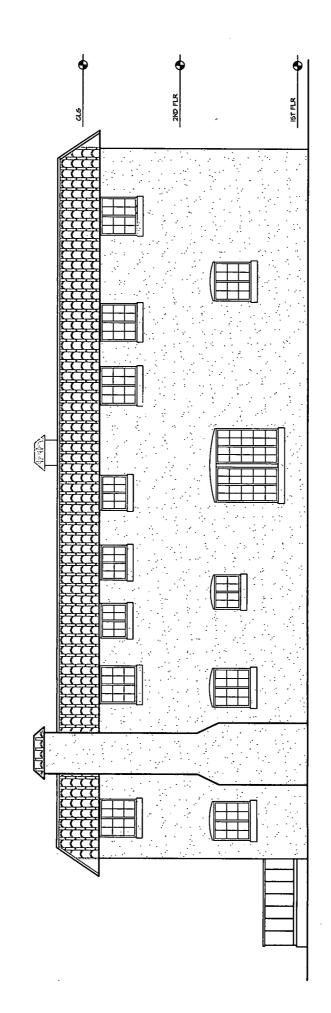
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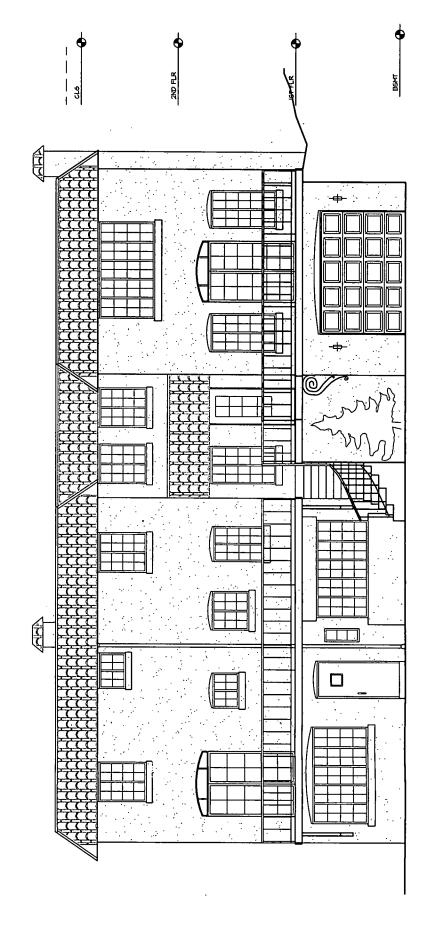
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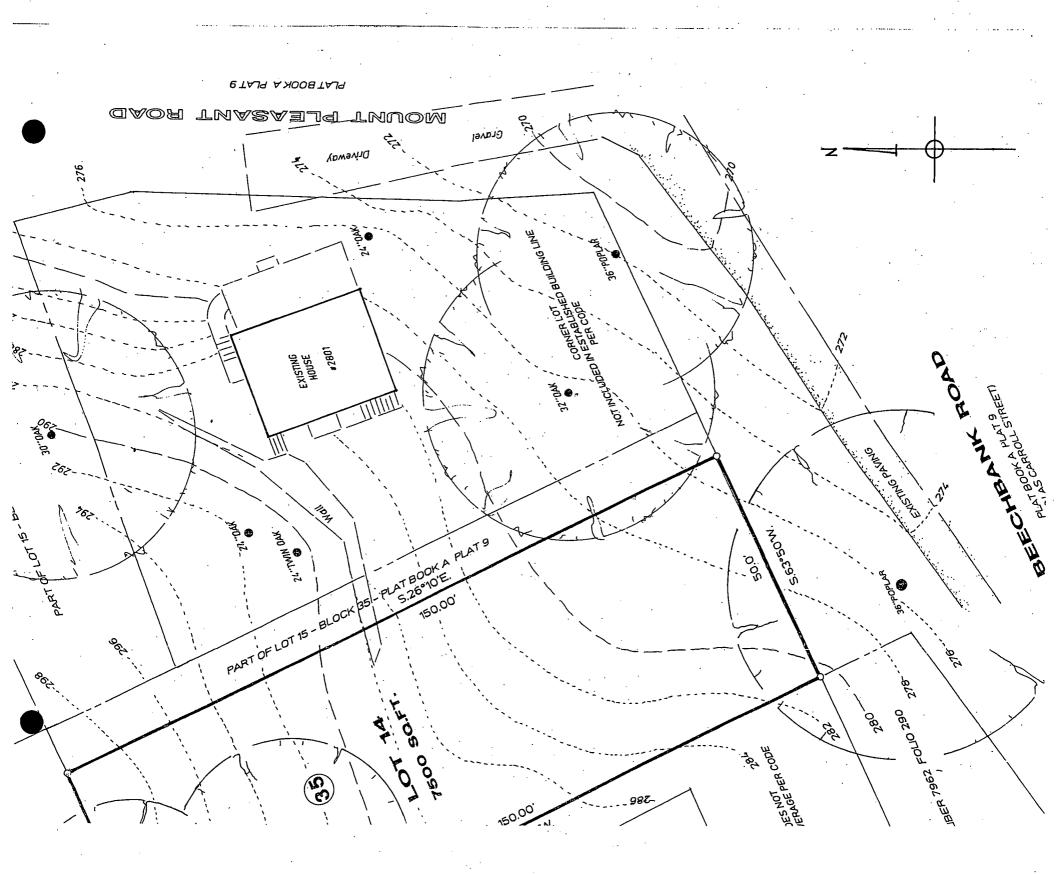
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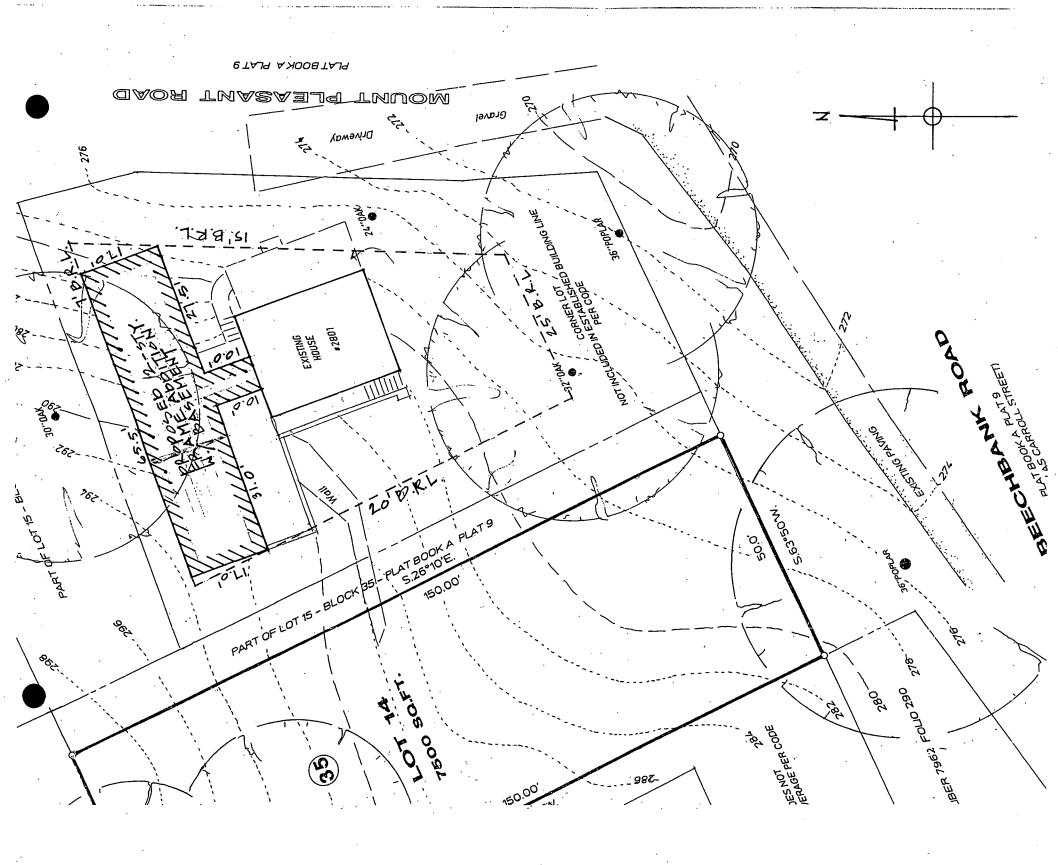
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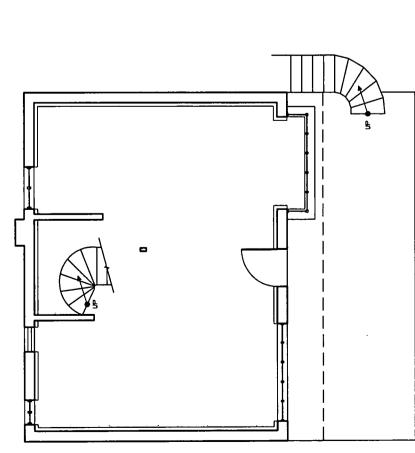


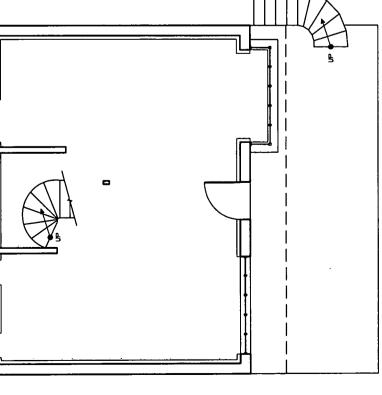
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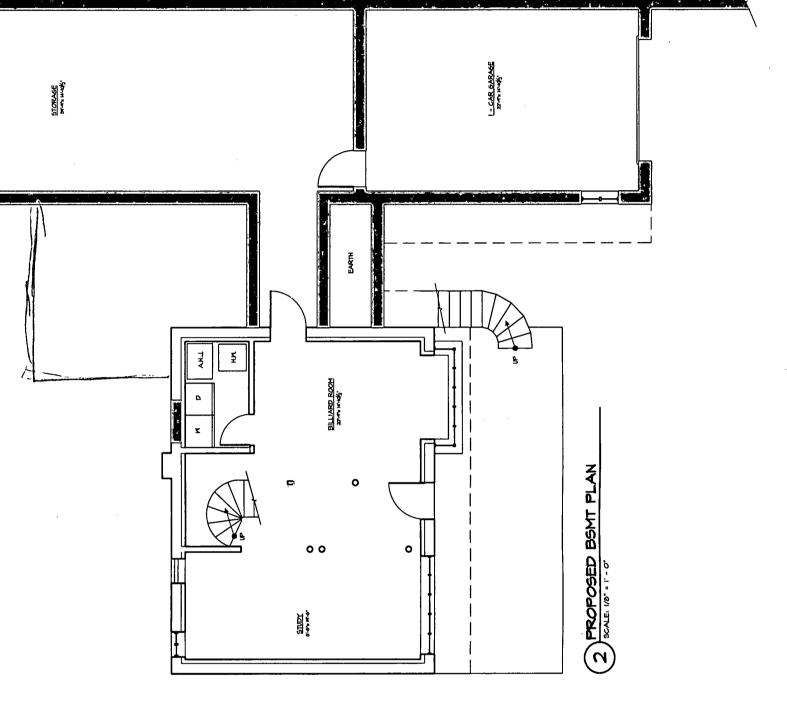
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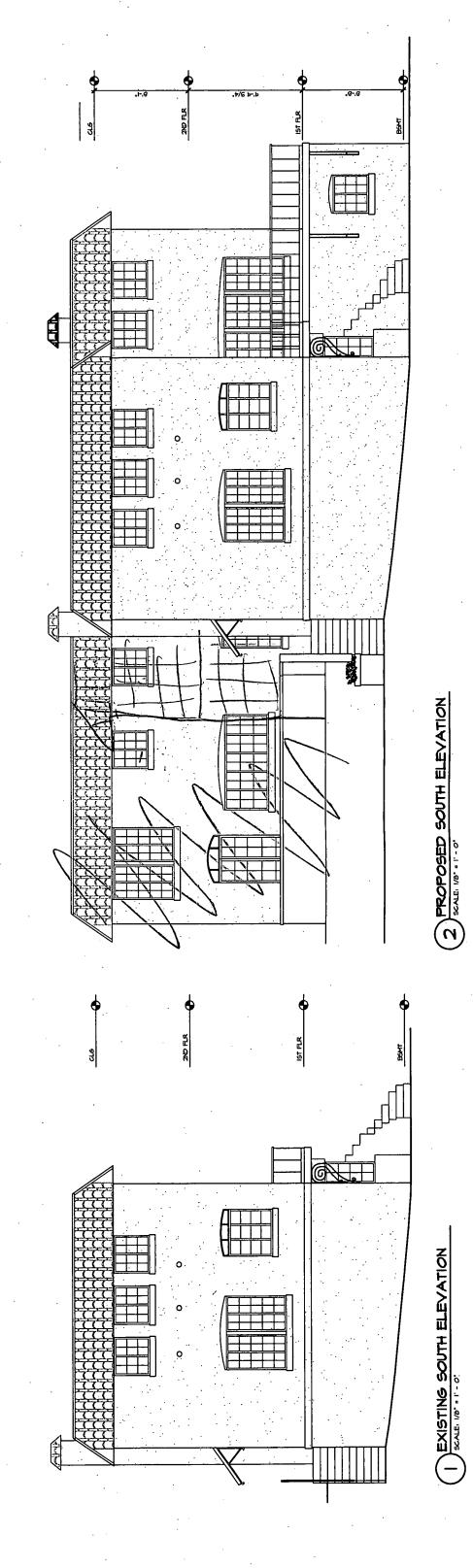
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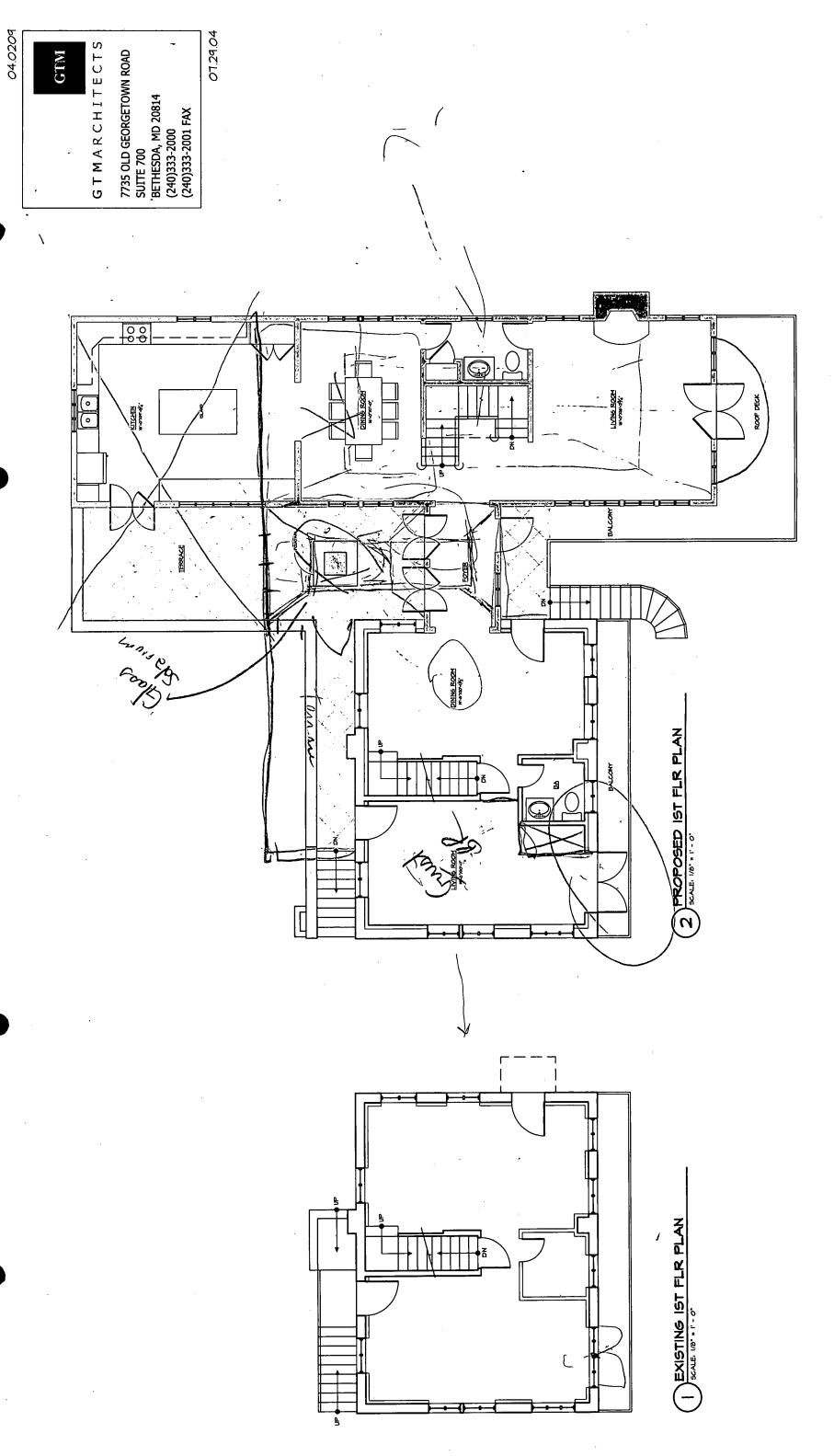
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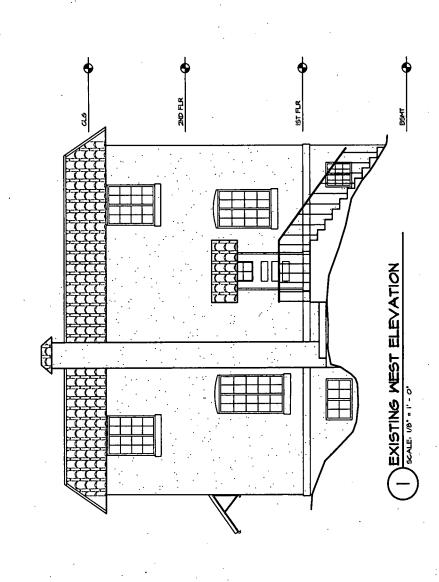


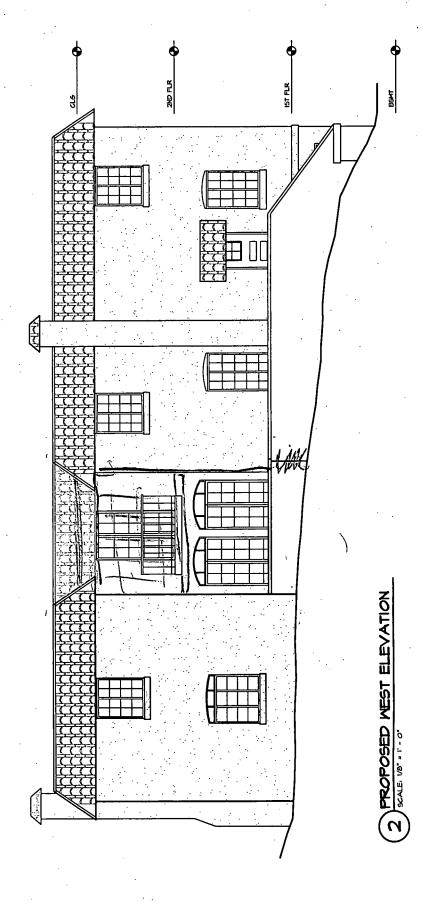
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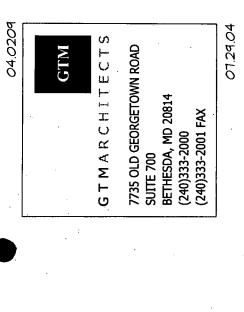


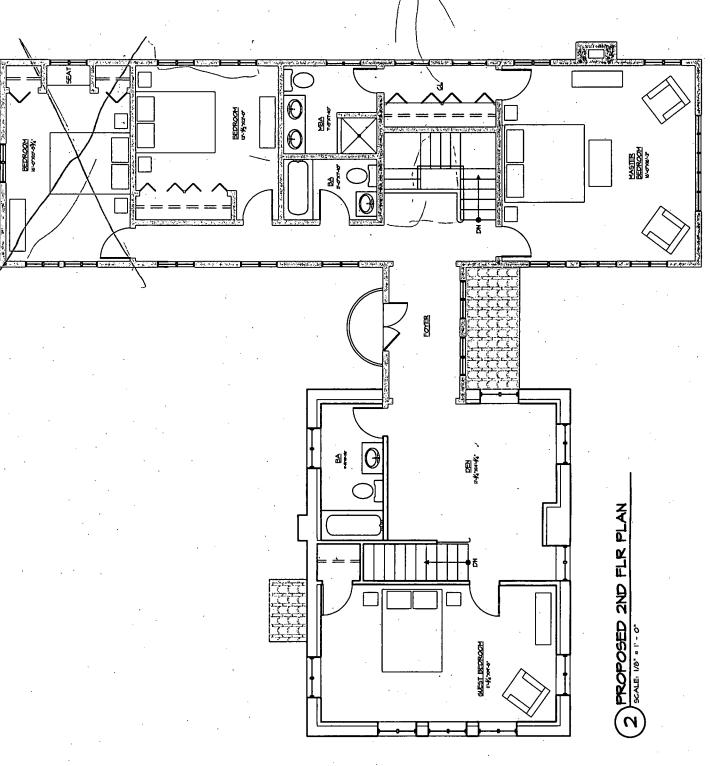


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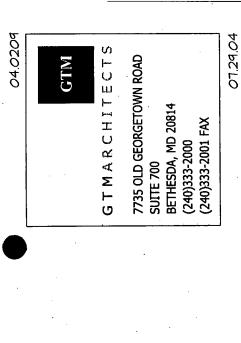
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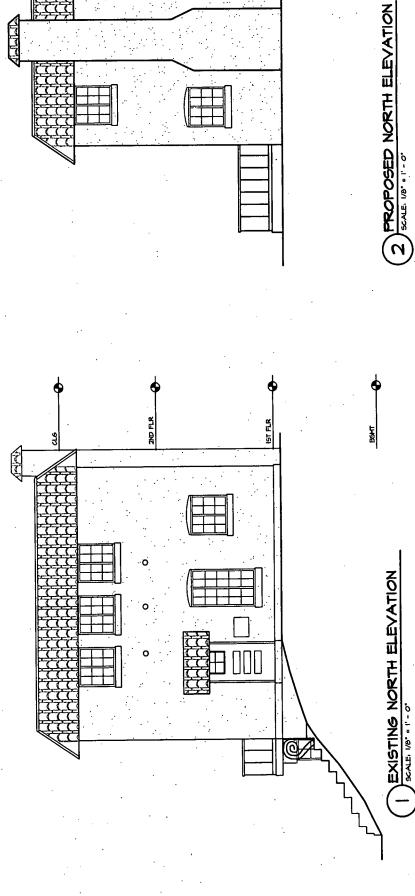


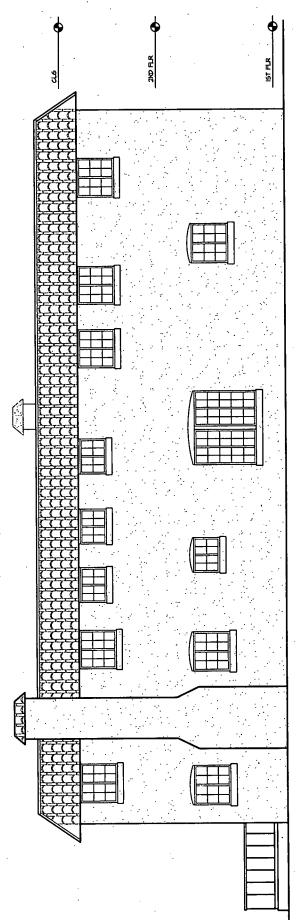


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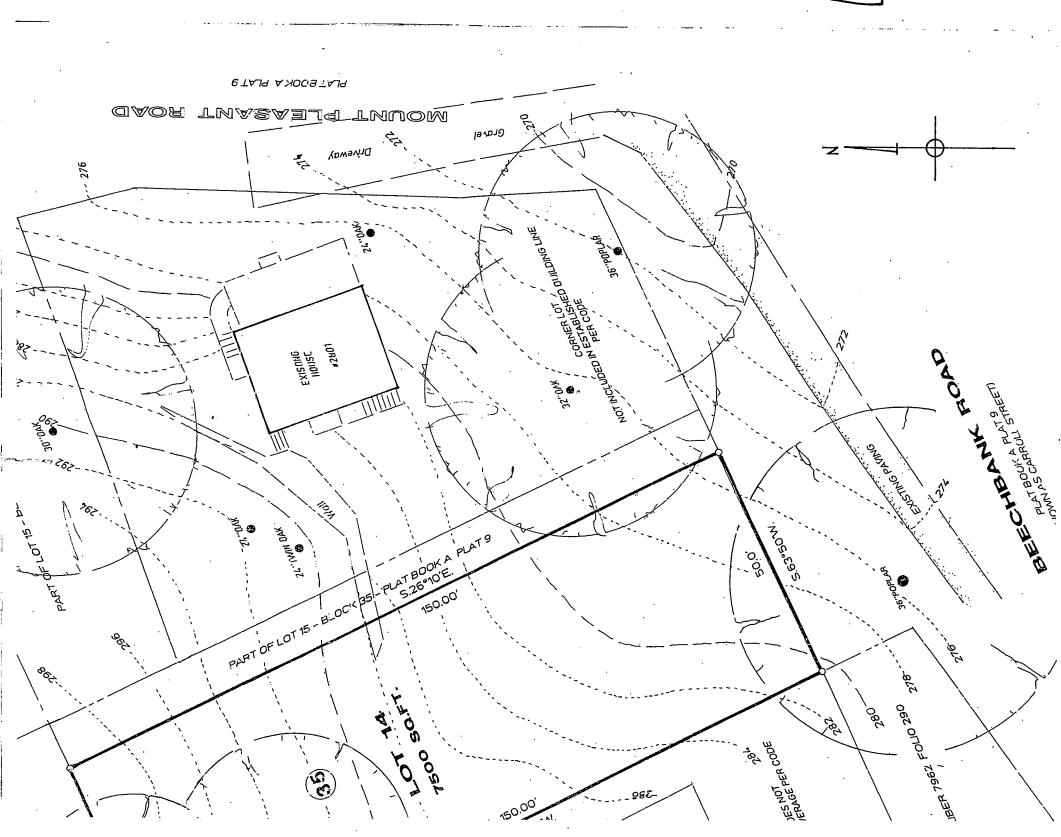
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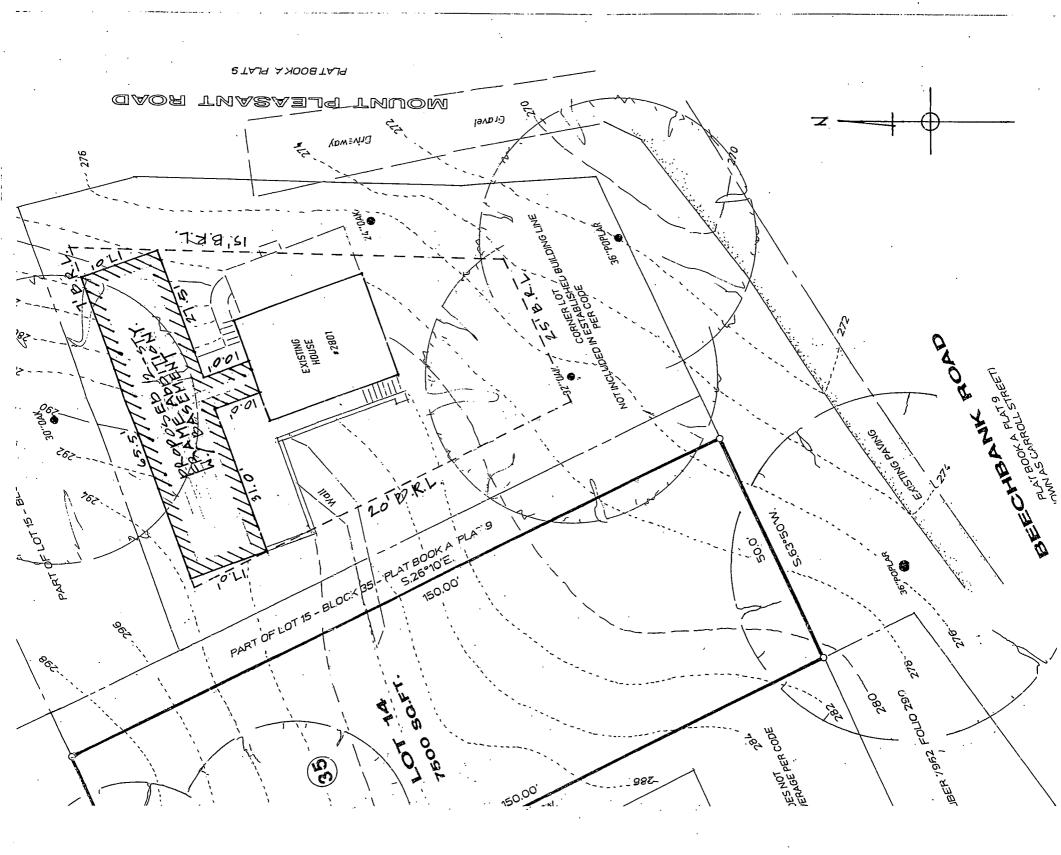


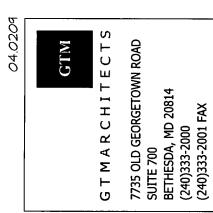


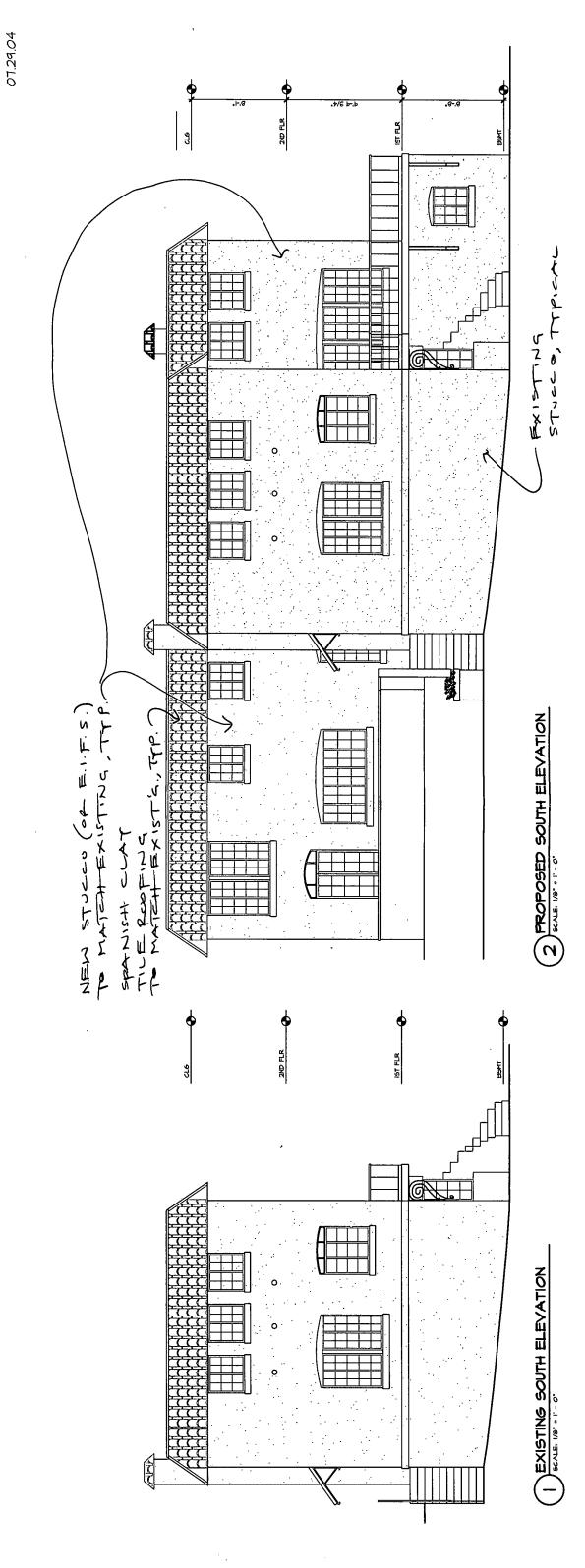
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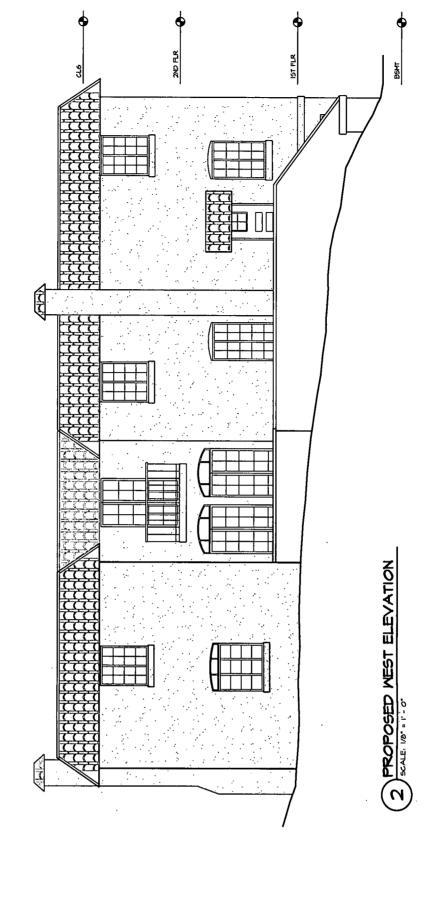
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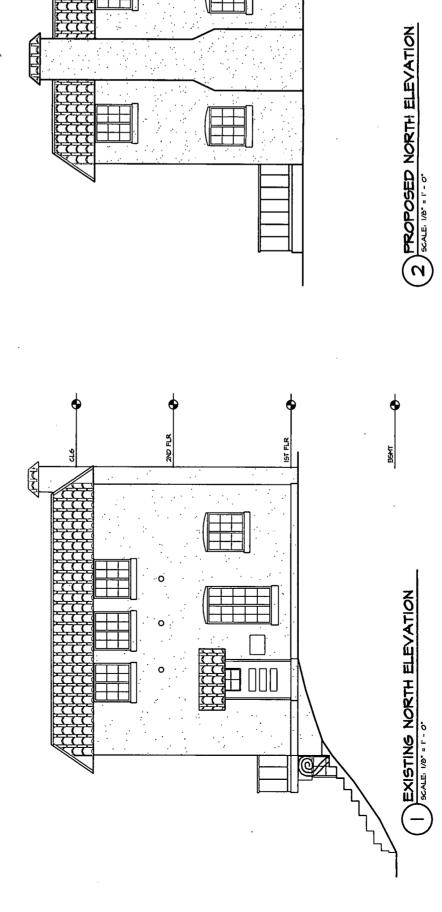


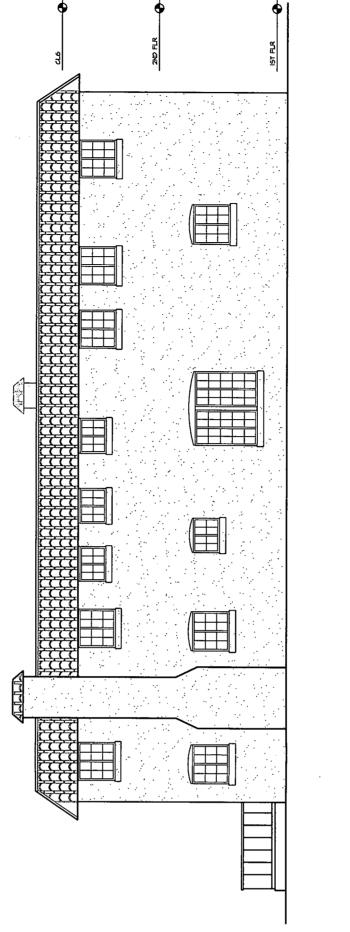
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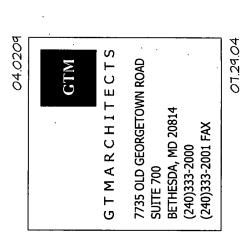
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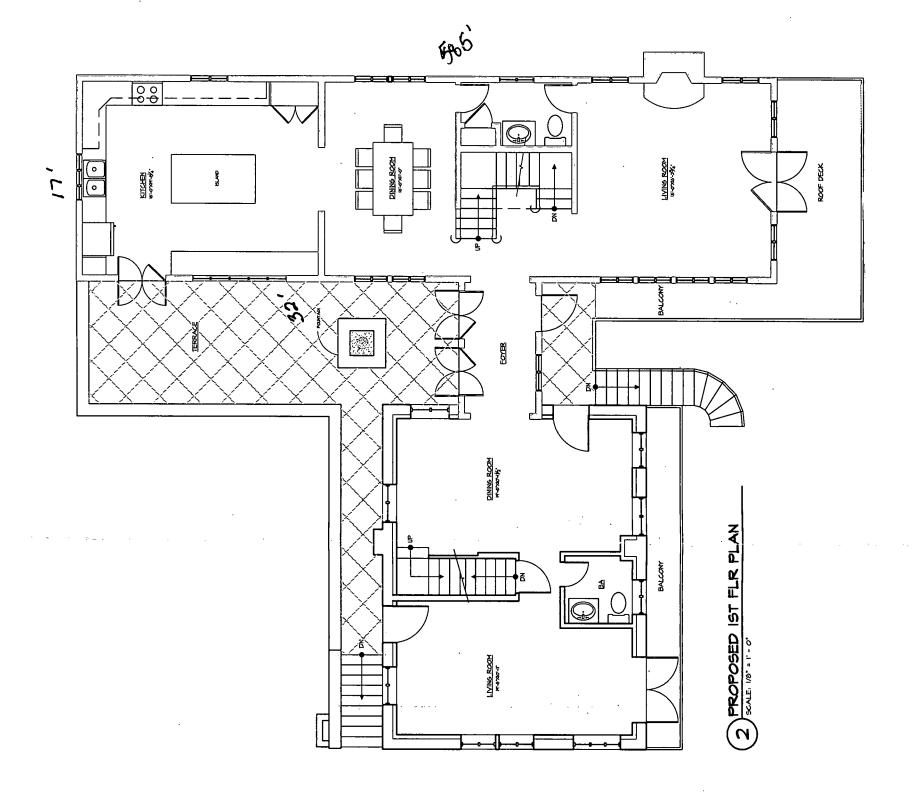
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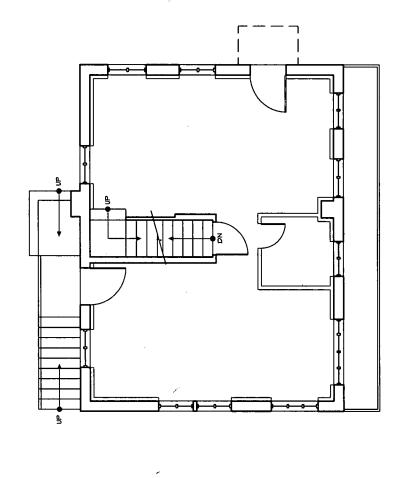
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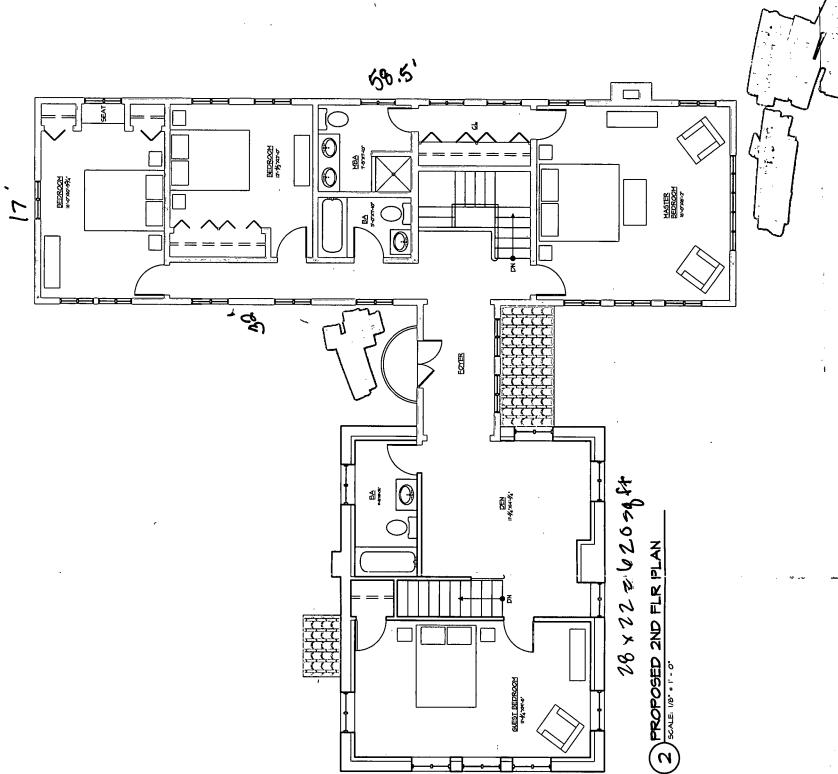
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SILVER SPRING, MARYLAND 20210

September 8, 2004

Historic Preservation Commission 1109 Spring Street Silver Spring, MD FAX 301-563-3412

Re HPC Case No 31/07/04E Steve Malone for driveway and sidewalk replacement at 9913 Capitol View Avenue

We concur with the applicant and staff on proposed changes.

Capitol View Park Citizens Association Zoning Committee

Co-chairs

Michelle Forzley, JD, MPH Carol s. Ireland

To: HPC From: Alan AdleR + Avbor Homes Date: 9/22/04 Delvored by hand Please he aware that I would like to have the following HWP's postponed have the following until the outster 13th, 2004 hearing: (A) 2801 Beechbork Rd. (Addition) (B) 2805 Beech hard P.S. (New Home) Please content me should you have gray greaion. Sinchely ALN Adler, personally (A) * ML Alon Adler, monorging rember for Arbor Homer (8) ×VL

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September 8, 2004

Historic Preservation Commission 1109 Spring Street Silver Spring, MD FAX 301-563-3412

Re: Preliminary consultation Alan Adler for major addition at 2801 Beechbank Road

We concur with many of the staff recommendations, in particular with respect to overall size. The addition should be smaller in size. We agree and are pleased the applicant seeks to remain true to the Mediterranean style.

We too are concerned about trees on the property and recommend that a tree survey be made and that as many trees as possible are saved.

We do not agree that the so-called hyphen should be one story. It would not be visible from the front of the house and as such is not offensive to our historic area.

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SILVER SPRING, MARYLAND 20910

September 8, 2004 1109 Spring Street Silver Spring, MD FAX 301-563-3412

Re: Preliminary consultation, Alan Adler for new house at 2805 Beechbank Road

We agree with staff that the footprint of the building should not exceed approximately 1,000 square feet at the first floor footprint. In addition, we support the request for a tree survey and plan to protect trees. Nonetheless, only one neighbor has received the proposed application and as the neighbors are most affected by the new construction, we would ask that the hearing on this application be postponed until the above changes are made, additional drawings are included and that all adjoining properties are notified with sufficient advance notice to be able to comment.

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