

HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

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October 23, 2025

MEMORANDUM

TO: Rabbiah Sabbakhan

Department of Permitting Services

FROM: Laura DiPasquale

Historic Preservation Section

Maryland-National Capital Park & Planning Commission

SUBJECT: Historic Area Work Permit #1135035 – Partial demolition, porch construction, fenestration and

siding alterations, other alterations

The Montgomery County Historic Preservation Commission (HPC) has reviewed the attached applications for a Historic Area Work Permit (HAWP). This application was **approved** at the October 22, 2025 HPC meeting.

The HPC staff has reviewed and stamped the attached submission materials.

THE BUILDING PERMIT FOR THIS PROJECT SHALL BE ISSUED CONDITIONAL UPON ADHERENCE TO THE ABOVE APPROVED HAWP CONDITIONS AND MAY REQUIRE APPROVAL BY DPS OR ANOTHER LOCAL OFFICE BEFORE WORK CAN BEGIN.

Applicant: Shanna and Michael Hirsch; Wakako Tokunaga, Architect

Address: 507 Albany Avenue, Takoma Park

This HAWP approval is subject to the general condition that the applicant will obtain all other applicable Montgomery County or local government agency permits. After the issuance of these permits, the applicant must contact this Historic Preservation Office if any changes to the approved plan are made. Once work is complete, the applicant will contact Laura DiPasquale at 301-495-2167 or laura.dipasquale@montgomeryplanning.org to schedule a follow-up site visit.





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APPLICATION FOR HISTORIC AREA WORK PERMIT HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION 301.563.3400

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Signature of owner or authorized agent

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Work Item 3:	
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HAWP APPLICATION 10/01/2025 WAK TOK architects

This application proposes exterior alterations to the residence at 507 Albany Avenue, a non-contributing resource constructed in the 1980s. Its non-contributing status allows for substantial alteration without negatively affecting the historic character of the district.

Scope of Work

New Front Porch: The existing porch will be removed and replaced with a new porch. The proposed porch has been designed to remain in scale with the existing house and is proportionate to its overall form and massing. Importantly, because the house sits significantly farther back from both the street and its neighboring homes, the porch will not intrude visually into the streetscape. Instead, it will provide a modest, well-proportioned entry element that enhances the appearance of the residence while maintaining compatibility with the district.

Replacement Windows: All existing windows will be replaced with new units that maintain the current size of the openings.

Siding: Existing siding will be replaced with new siding, ensuring no change to the scale or massing of the structure.

Gutters and Downspouts: Existing gutters and downspouts will be replaced, ensuring no change to the scale or massing of the structure.

Response to Preliminary Review Comments

The Historic Preservation Commission staff has noted support for the replacement of the windows, siding, gutters, and downspouts, and confirmed that the removal of the existing porch is a matter of course. The small roof over the areaway has also been deemed appropriate and is included in this application.

The principal review question relates to the impact of the new porch on the surrounding district. To address this:

- The porch has been designed to remain fully in scale with the existing structure.
- The property has a notably deeper setback than adjacent homes, and as a result, the porch sits well behind neighboring residences. This minimizes any potential visual prominence and ensures the design has little impact on the rhythm of the streetscape.
- A streetscape study, provided in both plan and elevation, demonstrates that the new porch aligns respectfully within the context of the block.

Materials

This application includes specifications for: proposed siding, windows, gutters and downspouts, porch foundation/wall materials, porch structure, and porch flooring.

Site

No other exterior changes are proposed. No trees will be removed as part of this project, and a Tree Protection Plan will be submitted in coordination with the County's requirements, following the recommendations of the project arborist. The existing roof will not be modified. A portion of the current driveway will be filled, and stone pavers will be installed in place of the existing concrete pad to serve as a landing for the new front steps.

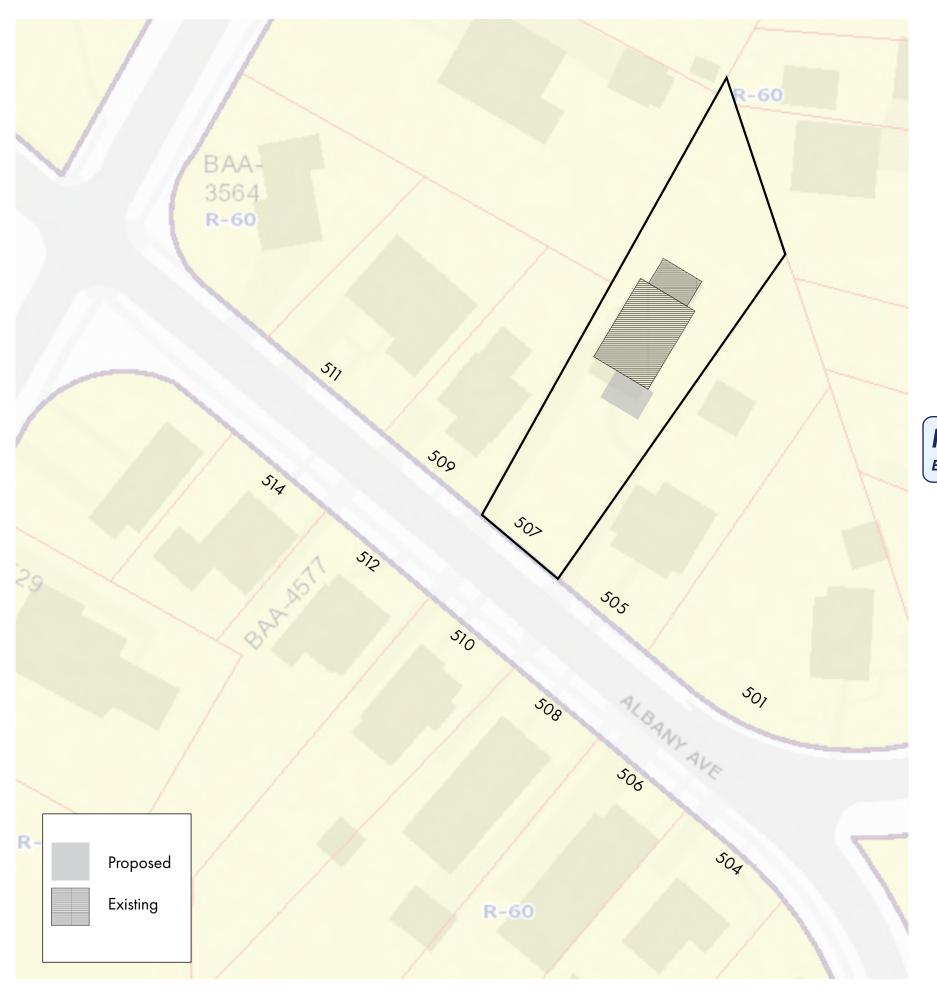
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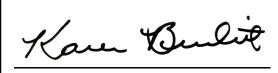
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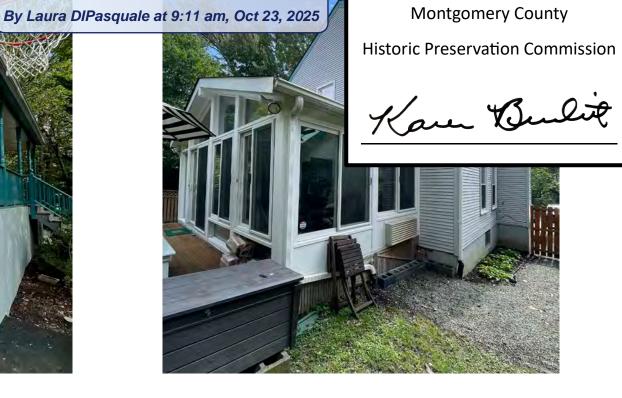


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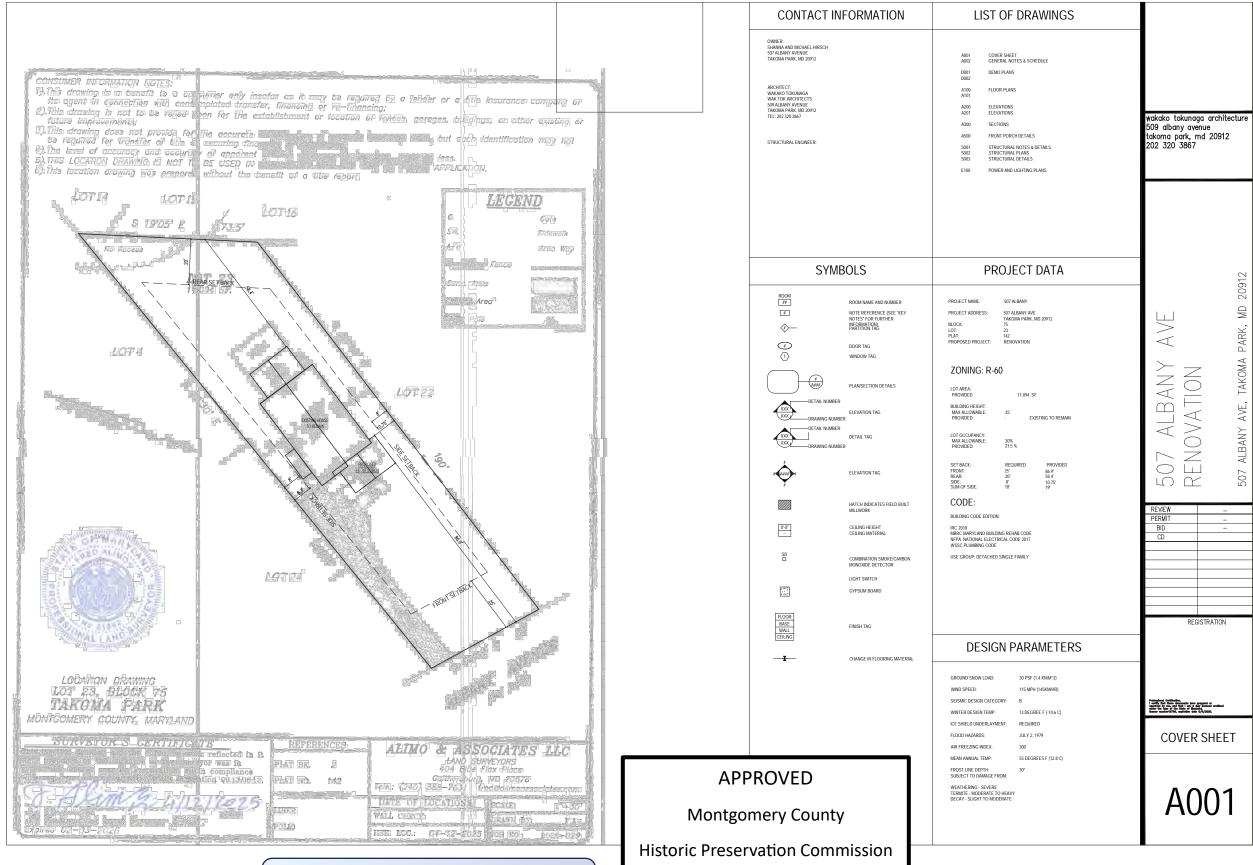
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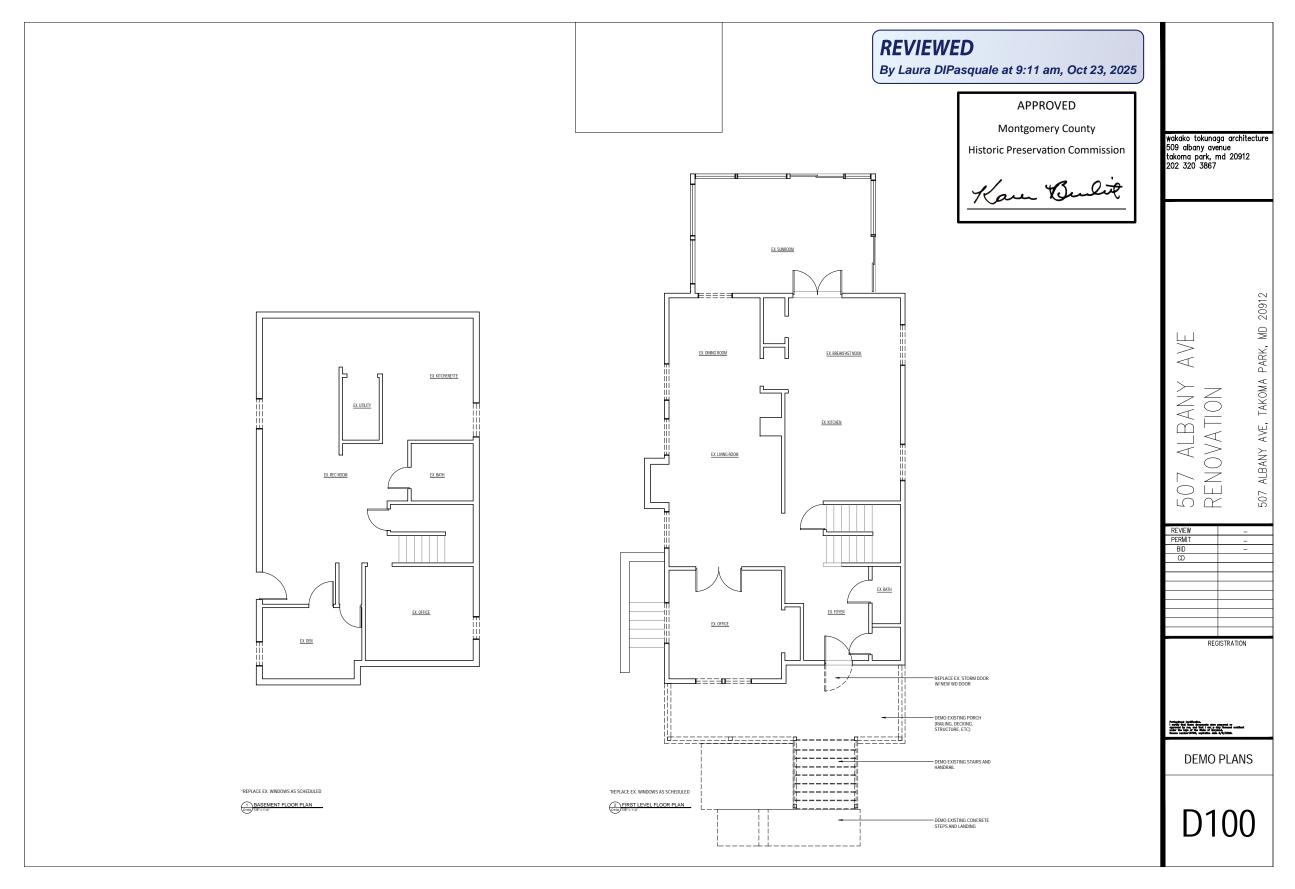


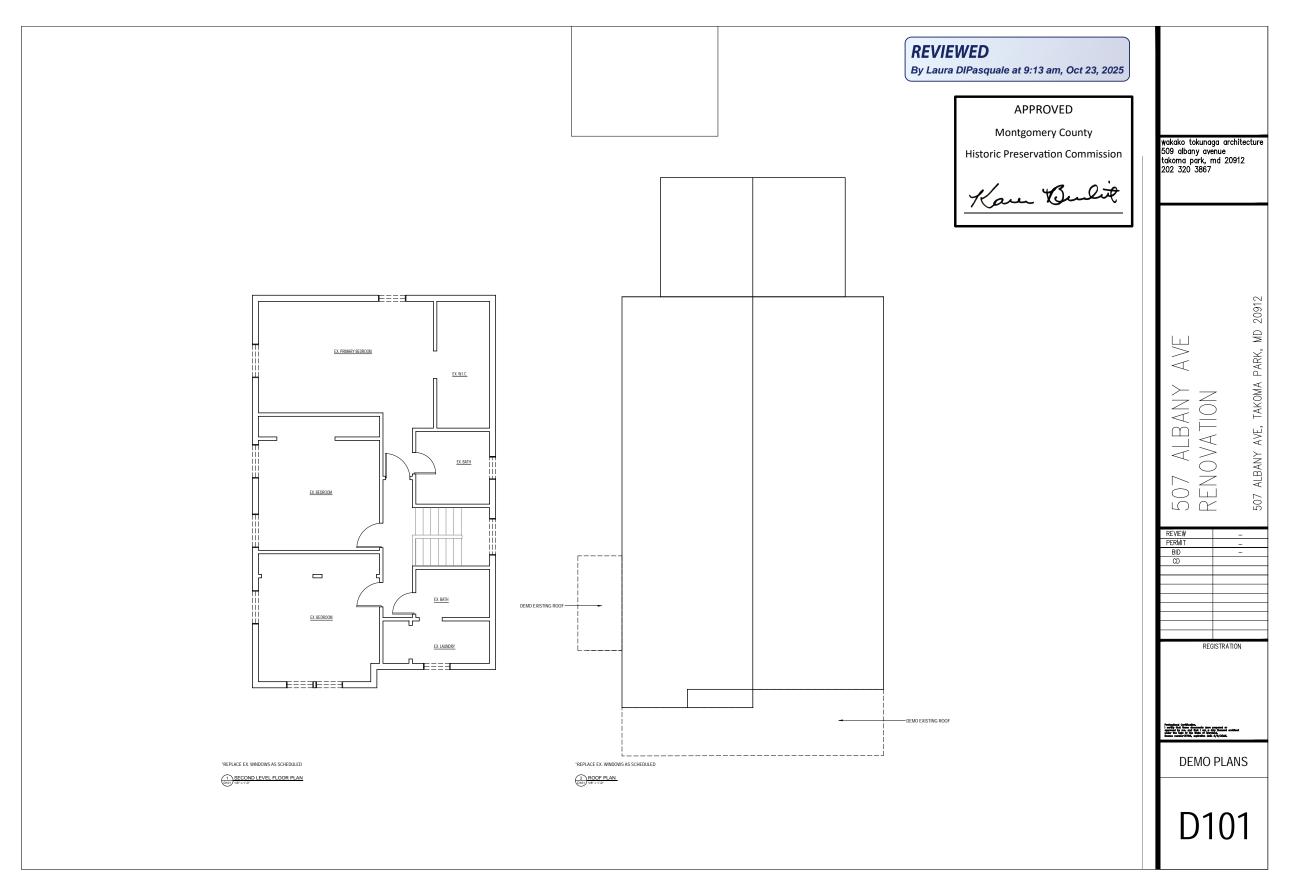
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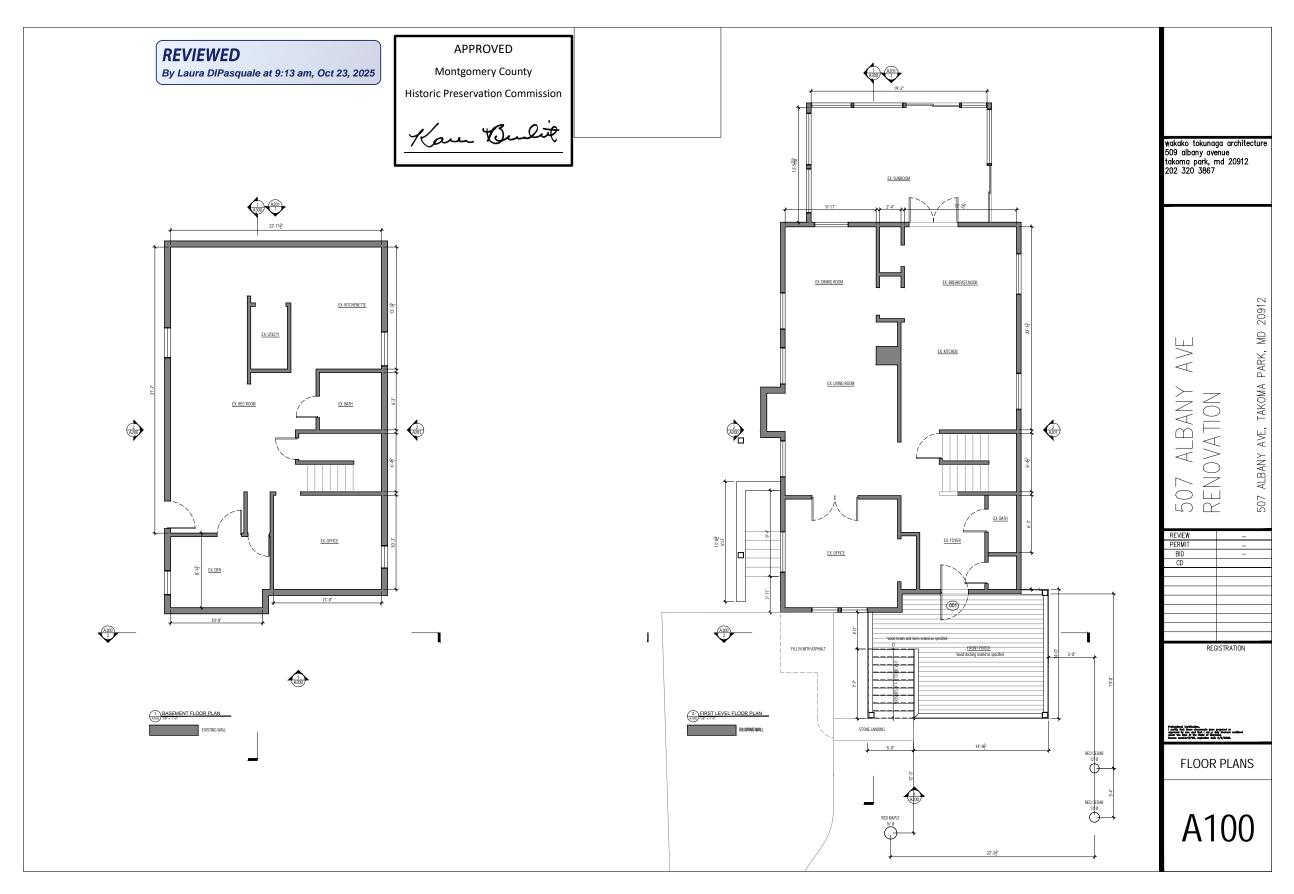


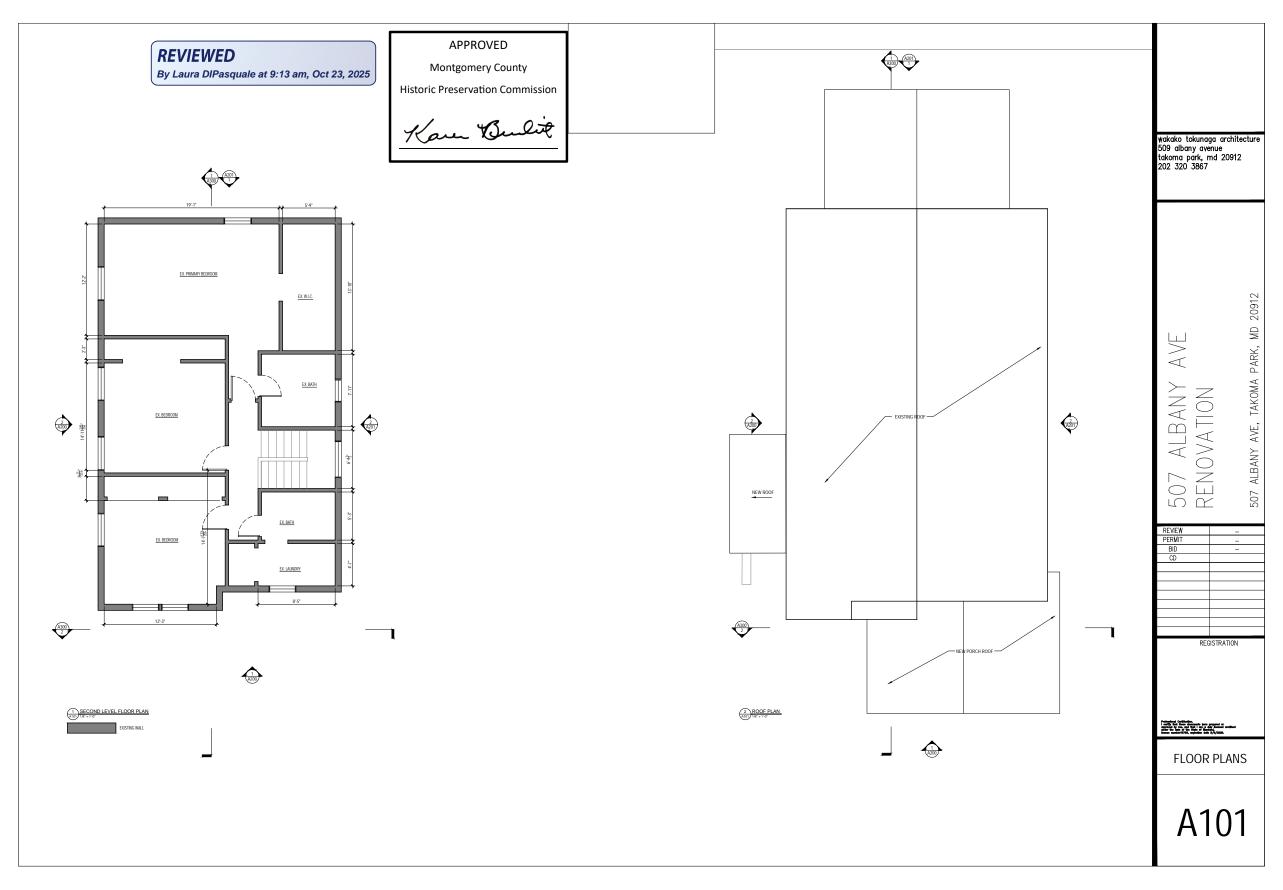
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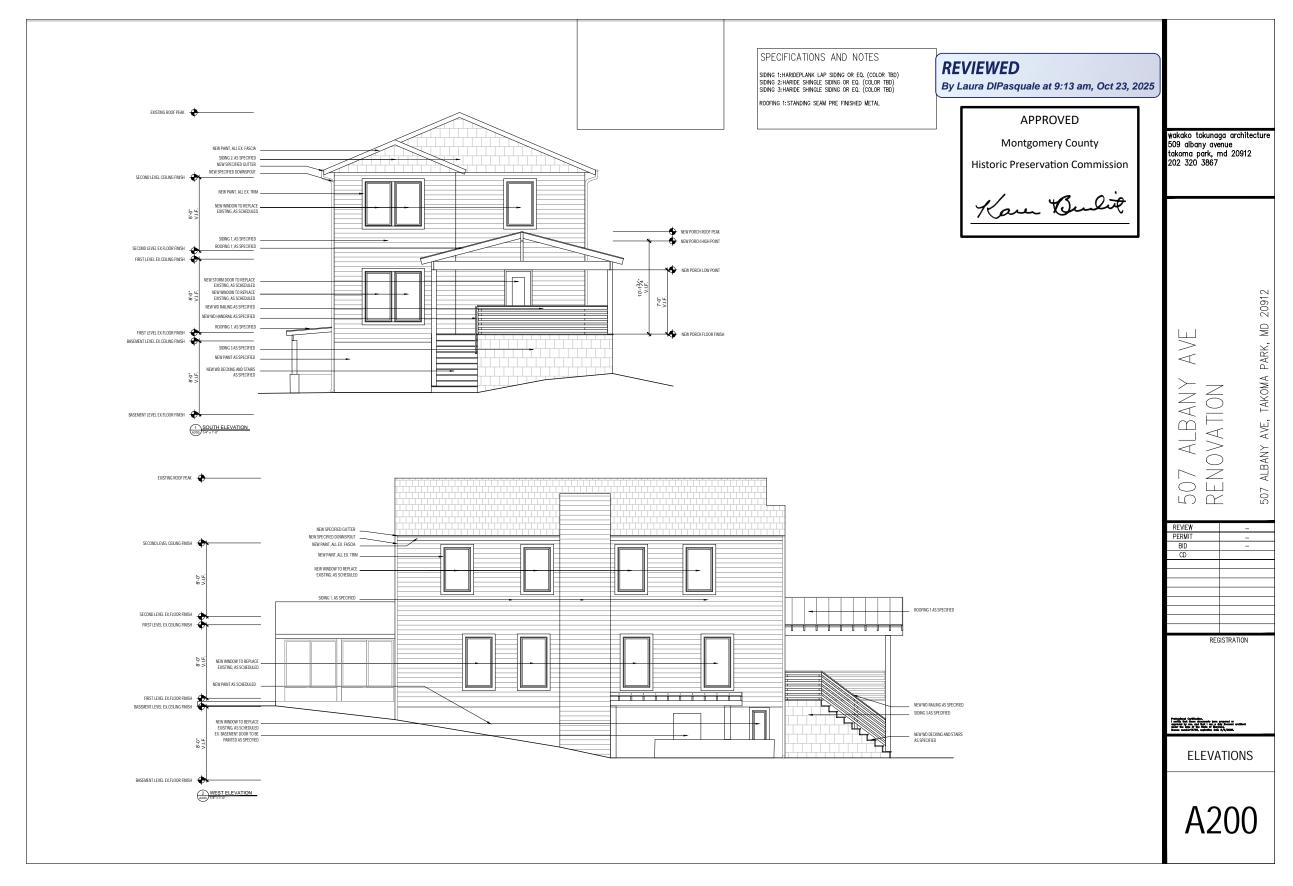
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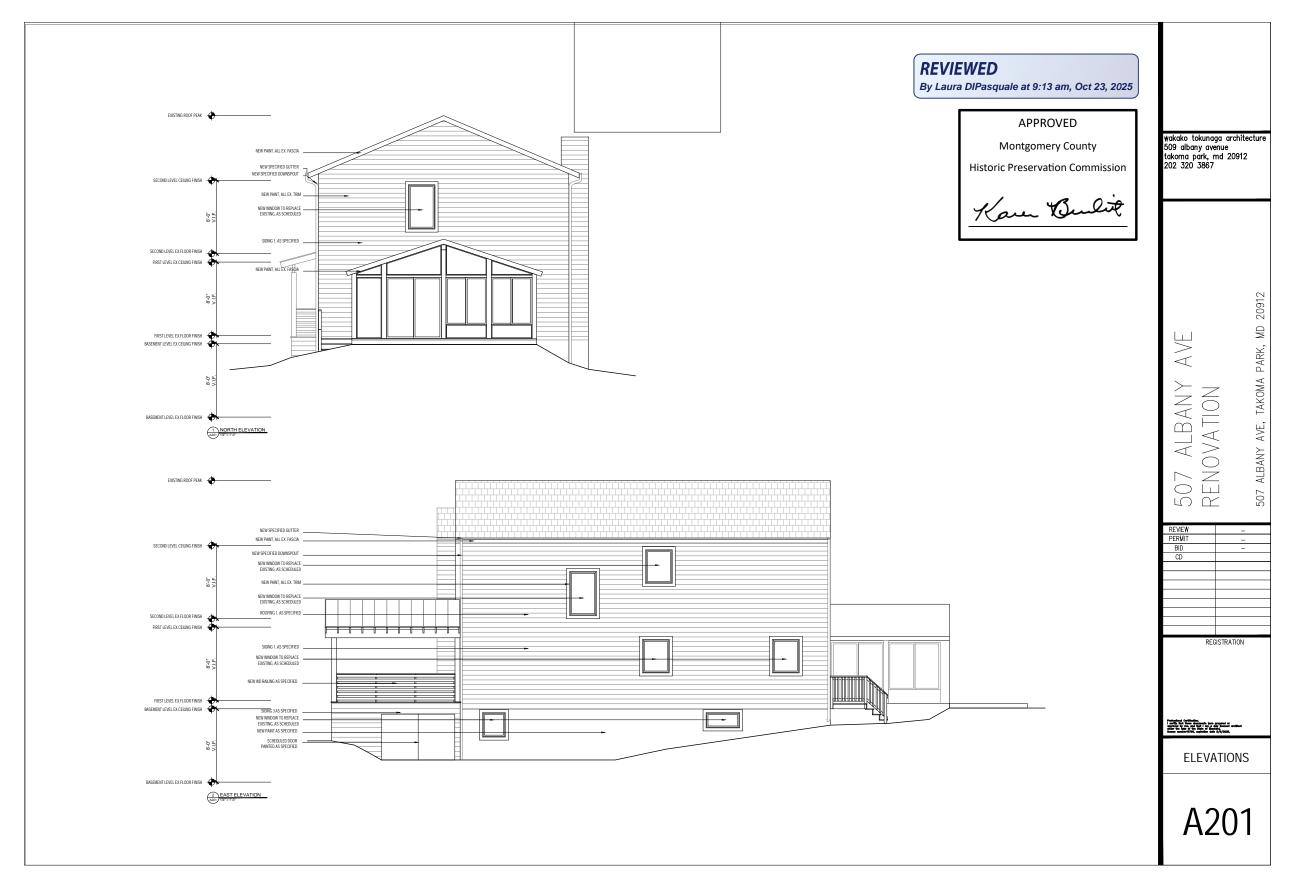


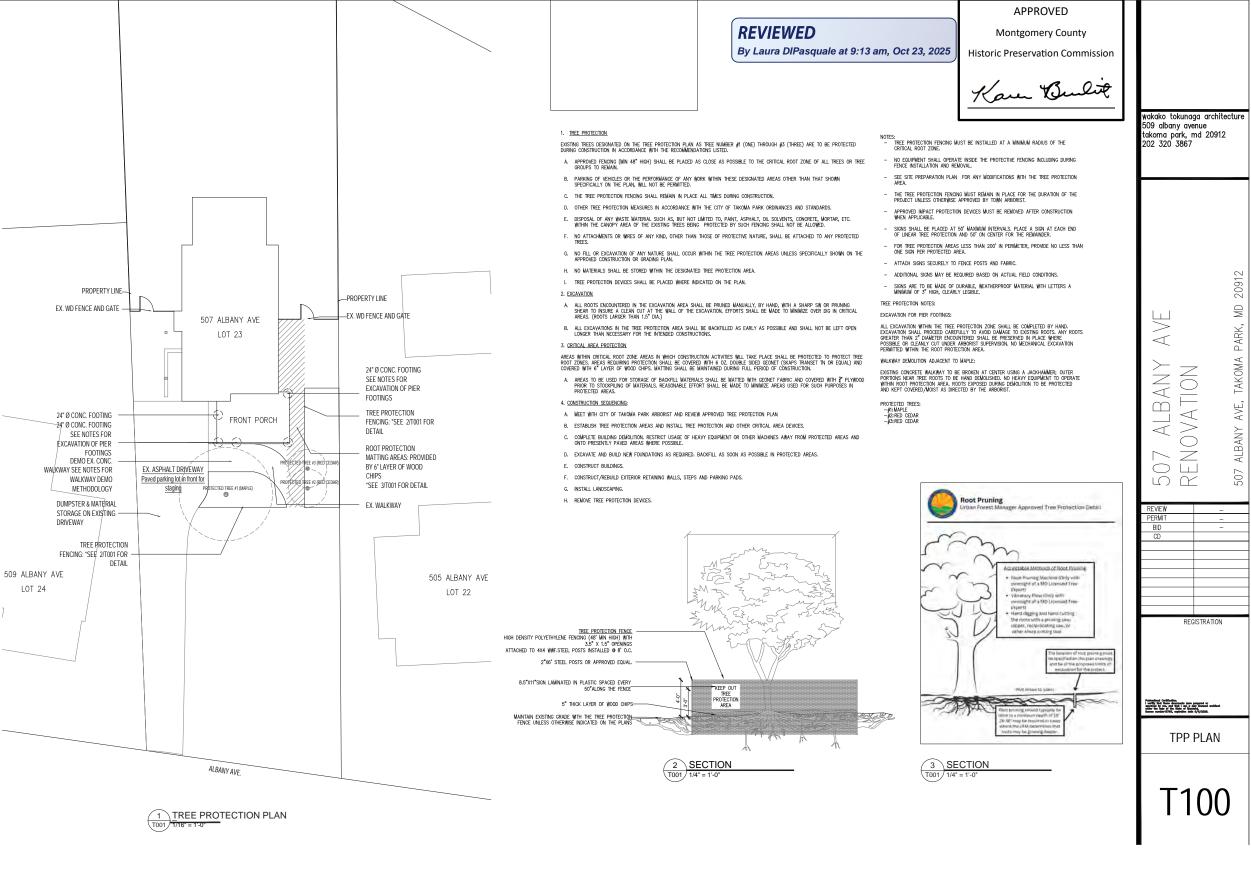














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09/26/2025 APPLICATION NUMBER W013518-091925

Shanna Hirsch 507 Albany Ave Takoma Park, MD 20912

Re: Tree Impact Assessment Request: Reference Number: W013518-091925 507 Albany Ave Takoma Park MD 20912

Determination: Tree Protection Plan Permit Required

Dear Shanna Hirsch:

This letter is in response to the request for Tree Impact Assessment received on 9/19/2025. After the inspection we have determined that the work described in your submission will require a Tree Protection Plan and apply for a Tree P may begin any work on your project.

Please review the Tree Protection Plan Application Packet and the Tree Protection Plan Manual thoroughly. See the below links for further information and documentation.

Tree Protection Plan Application Packet

Tree Protection Plan Manual

Approved Tree Protection Detail Drawings

Tree Protection Plan Application Web Page

Below are some additional comments from the Urban Forest Manager specific to your project. This is not an exhaustive list of items required for your plan.

- · Specify construction entrance and stockpile area in the driveway.
- · Location and material of tree protection fencing.
- Location and method of excavation for pier footings and all other necessary digging.
 Methods of demolishing the walkway adjacent to the maple roots; include notes on how this work can be completed while protecting the maple's root system.
- Location and material of root protection matting.

If you have any questions, please contact the Urban Forest Manager by replying to this email.

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To monitor the progress or update this request please log into the [MY TKPK]











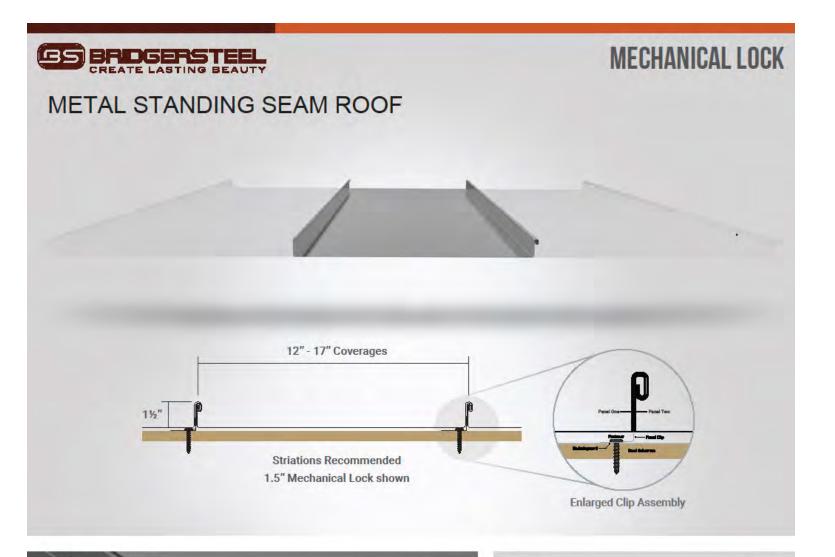


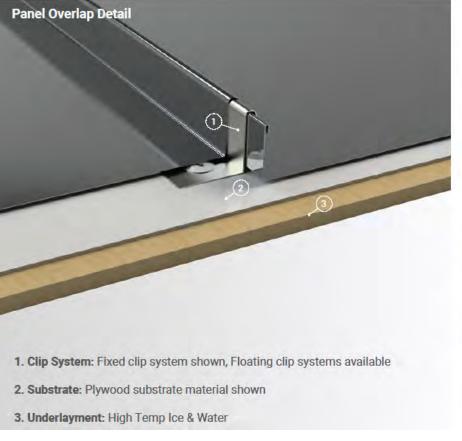
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6 Half Round Gutter - 20 ft

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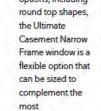
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INTERIOR

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SECTION: 07 46 46 FIBER CEMENT SIDING

HARDIE® PLANK LAP SIDING

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- · Peru, Illinois
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- · Pulaski, Virginia
- · Reno, Nevada
- · Tacoma, Washington
- Waxahachie, Texas
- · Fontana, California
- · Summerville, South Carolina · Prattville, Alabama

Compliance with the following codes

- · 2006 thru 2021 International Building Code (IBC)
- 2006 thru 2021 International Residential Code (IRC)

For more information about other compliances and applicable uses, refer to ICC-ES ESR-2290

Features

- Noncombustible
- Weather Resistant-Engineered for Climate[®]
- · Dimensionally Stable
- · Impact resistant
- Resists damage from pests
- Sustainable

Use

Hardie® fiber-cement lap siding is used as exterior wall covering. The product complies with IBC Section 1403.9 and IRC Section R703.10. The product may be used on exterior walls of buildings of Type I, II, III and IV construction (IBC)

Description

Hardie® Plank lap siding is a single-faced, cellulose fiber-reinforced cement (fiber-cement) product. Hardie® Plank lap siding complies with ASTM C1186, as Grade II, Type A; has a flame-spread index of 0 and a smoke-developed index of 5 when tested in accordance with ASTM E84; and is classified as noncombustible when tested in accordance with ASTM E136.

Available Sizes

Product	Width (in)	Length	Thickness (in)
Hardie® Plank lap siding*	5-1/4, 6-1/4,	12 feet	5/16
	7-1/4, 8, 8-1/4,		
	9-1/4, 12		

* HZ5: 9-1/4, 12 only available primed HZ10: 5-1/4, 9-1/4, 12 only available primed. Weight2.31 lbs. per square foot

Texture & Finish

Hardie® Plank lap siding comes in a variety of textures and finishes. The product is available in smooth or wood grain texture. Additional textures are available on a regional basis. Finish options are primed for field paint, or factory finished with ColorPlus® Technology. Color availability varies by

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Hardie® Plank lap siding is engineered for performance to specific weather conditions by climate zones as identified by the following map.



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Hardie® Shingle Siding

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Available Sizes

Product	Width (in)	Height (in)	Thickness (in)
Shingle Panel 5 inch exposure (Straight edge)	48	14	1/4
Shingle Pariel 6 Inch Exposure (Staggered Edge)	48	15-1/4	1/6
Shingle Panel 7 Inch exposure (Straight Edge & Half Round)	48	15-1/4	1/4
Individual shingles 5 Inch exposure	3-1/2, 4-1/2. 5-1/2, 7, 8-3/4	14	1/4
individual shingles 7 inch exposure	4-3/16, 5-1/2. 6-3/4, 7-1/4, 10	15-Va	Va.

Weight: 2.12 lbs. per square foot

Texture & Finish

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