



**BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT
AGENDA
March 11, 2020**

I. Call to Order

II. Approval of Minutes

III. New Business:

1. Faciszewski

Variance*

1239 NE Monroe Street ([VAR20-0005](#))

- Interior Side Yard Setback
- Rear Yard Setback

2. Saumweber

Variance*

427 SW 3rd Street ([VAR20-0006](#))

- Exterior Side Yard Setback
- Interior Side Yard Setback

IV. Other Business

V. Adjournment

Board of Adjustment
Minutes
February 26, 2020

Meeting called to order by Rick Rogers, Chairman

Present: Rustin Chrisco, Joe Haynie, Jan Holland, and Rick Rogers
Absent: Sam Pearson
Staff: Ali Worley

Approval of the minutes of January 22, 2020 as written.
Approved 4-0

New Business

Item #1

NFD, LLC: Variance Request for 304 SE G Street, VAR20-0003
Mr. Rogers informs that this project is withdrawn.

Item #2

Hurricane WA, LLC: Variance Request for 606, 608, 610, 612 Bella Vista Road, Fence Location Adjacent to Public Right-of-Way, VAR20-0004

Ali Worley reads the staff report.

Opened public hearing

No public comments

Todd Jacobs, representative, explains his request to the Board.

There is discussion amongst the Board members, Mr. Jacobs, and staff.

Motion by Mr. Rogers, seconded by Mr. Haynie to add the below conditions to the approval

1. The fence shall be constructed of wood including post and pickets.
2. The fence is not located closer than 5' to manhole rim or lid edge.
3. An inspection of the fence is scheduled upon completion to verify access to City Infrastructure is maintained.

Approved 4-0

Other Business

Item #1

Ms. Worley informs the Board on the new Public Hearing signs as well as the pending items on GIS.

Mr. Chrisco informs staff and the Board of a possible violation in town.

Motion by Mr. Rogers, seconded by Mr. Haynie to adjourn.

Meeting adjourned

Ali Worley

*A copy of this recording can be obtained from the Bentonville Planning Department.

BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT STAFF REPORT



Faciszewski

1239 NE Monroe Street

BOA Date: 3/11/2020

Reviewer: Ali Worley, Planning Technician

Project Number	VAR20-0005
Applicant / Current Owner	Jared Faciszewski 1241 NE Monroe Street Bentonville, Arkansas 72712
Site Area	+/- 0.2 acres
Current Zoning	DN-2, Downtown Medium-Density Residential
Variance Request	Section 401.07-B.d, DN Districts Setback Standards, of the Zoning Code

Property Description

This property is located at 1239 NE Monroe Street. The site is currently zoned DN-2, Downtown Medium-Density Residential. Adjacent zonings are R-1, Single Family Residential, to the north, east, and west, and DN-2 to the south.

Regulation

Variance 1: An interior side yard setback for a single-family home in the DN-2 zoning district shall be 7 feet.

Variance 2: A rear yard setback for a single-family home in the DN-2 zoning district shall be 25 feet.

Variance Request

Variance 1: The applicant is requesting a 5-foot interior side yard setback, which is a variance of 2 feet.

Variance 2: The applicant is requesting an 18-foot rear yard setback, which is a variance of 7 feet.

Background

According to the applicant's narrative, they are requesting the two variances in order to preserve an approximately 90-year-old American Elm tree. Per Section 1400.13, Approved Tree List, of the Land Development Code, the American Elm is listed on the Approved Tree List, therefore the preservation of this tree would be desirable. In addition, the City of Bentonville has been named Tree City USA for over 20 years. This is due to the City's ongoing actions of planting new trees, as well as preserving the existing tree canopy.

Public Comment

Staff has **NOT** received public comment regarding this request.

Conditions of Approval

If approved, the following conditions shall apply:

1. The approved variance shall be for the proposed layout and setbacks, as provided by the applicant within this application.
2. The applicant shall be required to obtain an approved building permit prior to construction.
3. Any eave or projection that encroaches closer than five feet to the property line would have to be fire-rated with no openings on the adjacent wall.

City of Bentonville Master Map VAR20-0005 Faciszewski



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BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT STAFF REPORT

Section 301.10.c, Standards of Approval, of the Zoning Code

Standards for approval. A variance from the terms of this chapter shall not be granted by the board of adjustment unless and until:

(1) The applicant demonstrates that:

- a. special conditions and circumstances exist which are peculiar to the land, structure or building involved and which are not applicable to other lands, structure or buildings in the same district;
- b. that literal interpretation of the provisions of this chapter would deprive the applicant of rights commonly enjoyed by other properties in the same district under the terms of this chapter;
- c. that special conditions and circumstances do not result from the actions of the applicant; and,
- d. that granting the variance requested will not confer on the applicant any special privilege that is denied by this chapter to other lands, structures, or buildings in the same district.

(2) No nonconforming use of neighboring lands, structures, or buildings in the same district, and no permitted or nonconforming use of lands, structures, or buildings in other districts shall be considered grounds for the issuance of a variance.

(3) The board of adjustment shall further make a finding that the reasons set forth in the application justify the granting of the variance and that the variance is the minimum variance that will make possible the reasonable use of land, building or structure.

(4) The board of adjustment shall further make a finding that the granting of the variance will be in harmony with the general purpose and intent of this chapter, and will not be injurious to the neighborhood or otherwise detrimental to the public welfare.

(5) *Conditions.* In granting any variance, the board of adjustment may prescribe appropriate conditions and safeguards that it deems necessary or desirable. Violations of such conditions and safeguards, when made a part of the terms under which the variance is granted, shall be deemed a violation of this chapter.

(6) *Uses.* Under no circumstances shall the board of adjustment grant a variance to allow a use not permissible under the terms of this chapter in the district involved, or any use expressly or by implication prohibited by the terms of this chapter in said district.

Narrative

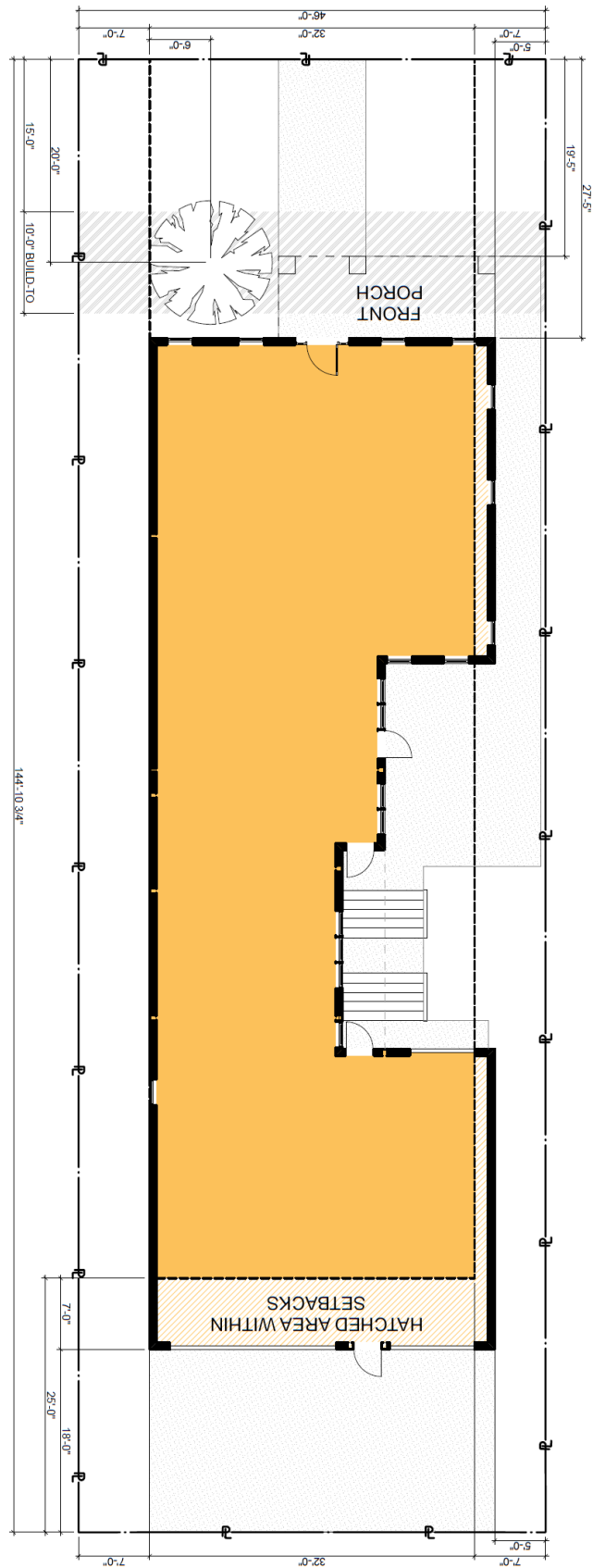
The owners of 1239 NE Monroe St., Bentonville, AR are requesting a variance for setbacks to preserve an approximately 90 year old American Elm tree that is 7' in circumference (27" diameter at breast height/DBH) at the front of the property (picture below). Bentonville City Code Section 1300.2(f) describes the City's goal "to preserve desirable trees". The American Elm is designated as a desirable tree according to Section 1400.13 of the City Development Code. Additionally, Bentonville City Code Section 1400.11 articulates that protecting a tree of this size (27" DBH) will generate "tree credits" worth 3 shade trees. While the property owners have planted over 15 trees on this and the adjacent lots, Section 1400.11 of the Bentonville City Code demonstrates that this tree is worth protecting from a shade and beautification perspective. In order to not destroy the tree, the owners of 1239 are asking for a variance for the side setback on one side of the house (the south side) as well as the rear setback. A site plan is shown below.

1239 NE Monroe is a 46' wide lot that is zoned DN-2. DN-2 requires 7' side setbacks and a 25' rear setback. In order to preserve the tree, owners plan to build a front porch designed around the tree (no deep footings) at 19.5' front setback and start the interior portion of the house at 27.5' from the front property line. Because the house will be pushed further back from the street, owners are requesting to observe a 5' side setback on the south side of the house and an 18' rear setback (proposed site plan below). Granting a variance for this site plan will allow the owners to preserve this tree. The tree provides shade for two residences to the north as well as canopy along NE Monroe Street for the public.

The owners requesting the variance also own the two lots to the south of 1239 NE Monroe so reducing the side setback requirement from 7' to 5' for this site plan will not negatively impact a different landowner. The rear of the property borders an alley that was improved by the landowner so this site plan with an 18' rear setback will not negatively impact a different landowner either. The proposed site plan with the tree's location is shown below.



Site Plan



BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT STAFF REPORT



Saumweber

427 SW 3rd Street

BOA Date: 3/11/2020

Reviewer: Ali Worley, Planning Technician

Project Number	VAR20-0006
Applicant / Current Owner	Leslie & Janice Saumweber 240 SW D Street Bentonville, Arkansas 72712
Site Area	+/- 0.26 acres
Current Zoning	R-C2, Central Residential - Moderate Density
Variance Request	Section 401.07.c, Residential Districts Setbacks Standards, of the Zoning Code

Property Description

This property is located at 427 SW 3rd Street. The site is currently zoned R-C2, Central Residential – Moderate Density. Adjacent zonings are R-1, Single Family Residential, to the east and west, and R-C2 to the north and south.

Regulation

Variance 1: An exterior side yard setback for a single-family home in the R-C2 zoning district shall be 20 feet.

Variance 2: An interior side yard setback for a single-family home in the R-C2 zoning district shall be 7 feet.

Variance Request

Variance 1: The applicant is requesting a 10-foot exterior side yard setback, which is a variance of 10 feet.

Variance 2: The applicant is requesting a 5-foot interior side yard setback, which is a variance of 2 feet.

City of Bentonville Master Map VAR20-0006 Saumweber



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Background

According to the applicant's narrative, they designed their house based on the current survey. That survey, filed in 2014, states the setback requirements for the lot in question were as follows: Front: 20 feet, Interior Side: 5 feet, Exterior Side: 10 feet, and Rear: 15 feet. The setbacks were amended in 2016 to our current regulations. The applicant also states that adjacent residences were built before the amended setbacks, so they feel this variance would not create a precedence. It would actually keep in character and consistency with the surrounding neighborhood.

Public Comment

Staff has **NOT** received public comment regarding this request.

Conditions of Approval

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Narrative

Re:

Res20-0042 427 SW 3rd Street
Lot 18, Block 6, Clark's Second Addition,
City of Bentonville, Benton County, AR

Narrative:

In October 2018, ADA Designs went under contract to provide residential design services for the above referenced project.

A Survey was obtained through the Bentonville Planning Department of the Lot 18 that had a Certificate of Approval dated 2/14. It indicated a lot split had been performed on Lots 4,5, & 6 of the addition creating Lots 18, 19, & 20. The survey indicates that Zoning and Setback Information as follows:

Front Yard: 20 Feet

Side Yard: 5 Feet (Interior), 10 Feet (Exterior)

Rear Yard: 15 Feet

Relying on the above information obtained at the city, the plans were completed and issued December 2019.

In February 2020, the clients contracted with Homes of Distinction, Centerton, AR., to construct the residence. Permits were applied for and floor trusses ordered in accordance with the construction documents.

In a letter dated February 20th, 2020, Kimberly Hatcher from Building Inspections indicated that the design did not meet setback guidelines in the R-C2 zoning district. She indicated the following: **Both street frontages must be setback 20 Feet and the inside setback must be 7 Feet.**

In ensuing meetings and research through the Planning Department, it was discovered that the setback guidelines had been altered in 2016, a fact unknown by ADA. An official in the planning department indicated that no corner projects had been constructed since the new guidelines were issued.

Photos:

Referring to the photos provided, the first four shows the residence immediately across the street to the north of our project at 405 SW 3rd Street which shares the same side street as our project on SW D Street. It appears that the residence is setback 10 Feet from SW D Street.

The next three photos display residences 2 blocks south of our project at 402 SW 5th Street. The adjoined structures face the side property line and appear to be setback 10 Feet from SW 5th Street.

Survey:

The survey indicates the documentation provided by the Planning Department in 2018 and shows the lot split granted and filed.

Site Plan:

The site plan of the project reflects the residence as platted and the amended setback requirements in red.

Request For Adjustment:

The design of our project was executed in good faith and due diligence relying solely on the information given to us by the planning department of Bentonville. We did not discover nor were given any indication of zoning setback amendments at the time of our procurement of the survey document.

The expense borne and purpose of the lot splits executed in 2014 by our clients were predicated on their ability to design and construct the residence we created for them.

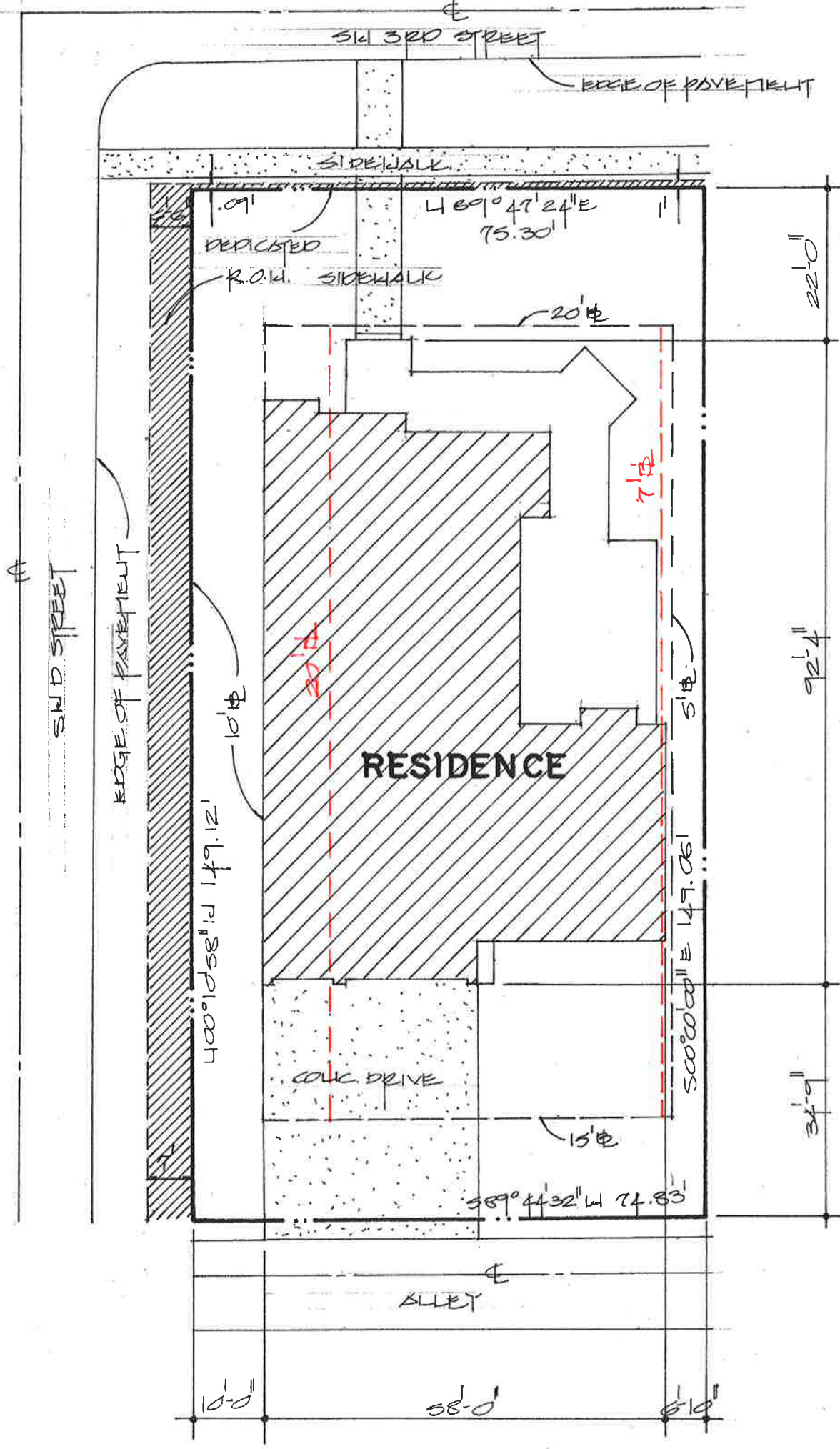
The residence immediately across the street from our project shares the same front and side streets setbacks as requested. The residence within two blocks from our project are constructed to the pre-amended side setback guidelines and establish precedence for our request.

We hold the opinion that the granting of such a variance does not violate the aesthetics of the neighborhood nor would they create a negative or obvious exception to existing similar construction.

Therefore, we respectfully ask that the Board of Adjustments grant our request for a one time variance on our project at to allow

construction of the residence at 427 SW 3rd Street as platted on the design documents in accordance to the pre-amended zoning setback guidelines of R-C2 We sincerely express our appreciation of your time and consideration of this matter.

David M. Schmidt, ADA Designs
Wes and Jan Saumweber, Owners



S.W. 3RD STREET

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EDGE OF PAVEMENT

SIDEWALK

DEDICATED

R.O.W. SIDEWALK

EDGE OF PAVEMENT

RESIDENCE

COLC. DRIVE

ALLEY

1" = 20'-0"

489°47'24"E 75.30'
400°158"E 149.12'
589°44'32"W 74.83'
10'
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North View Toward SW 3rd



408 SW 3rd



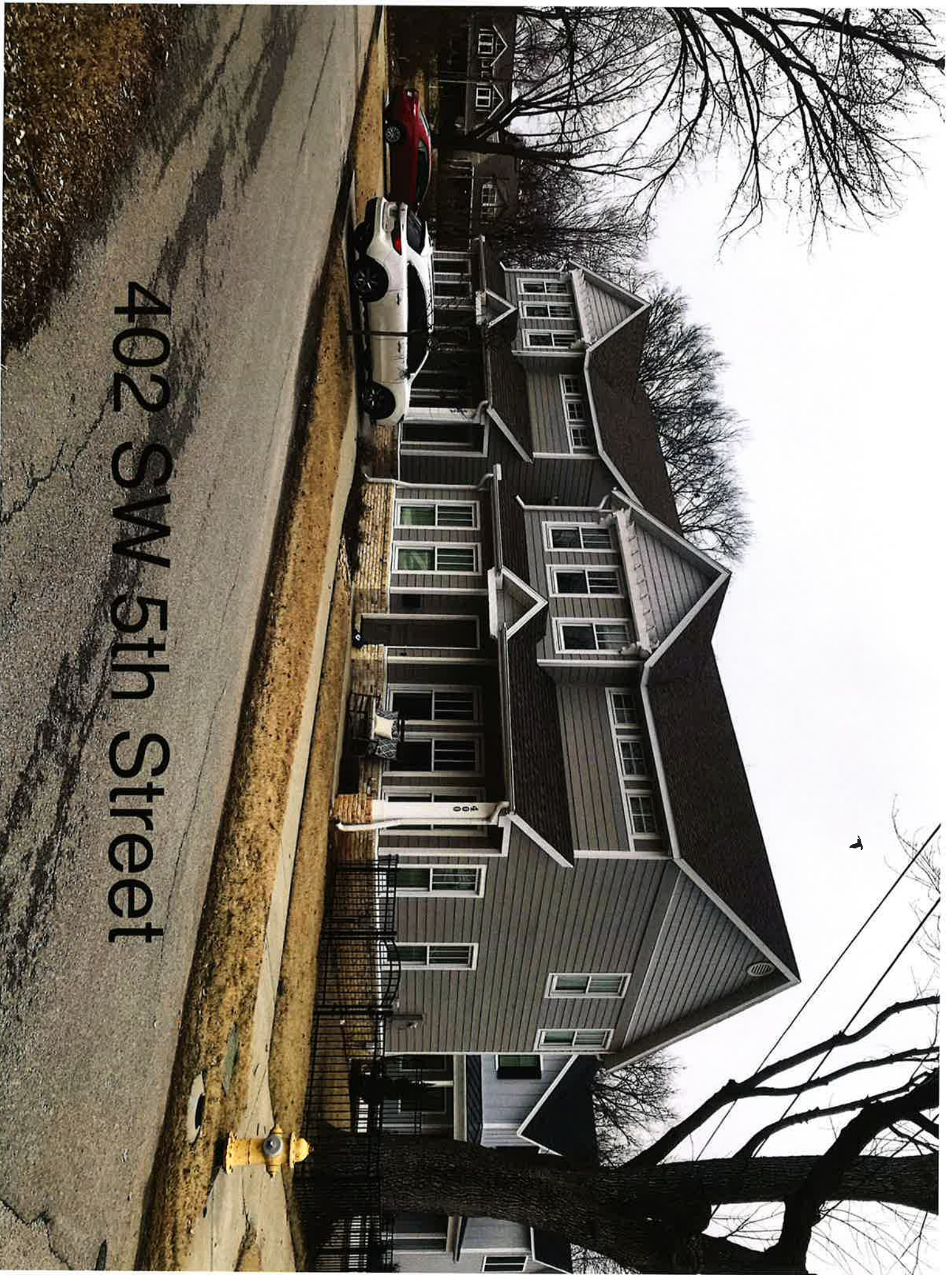
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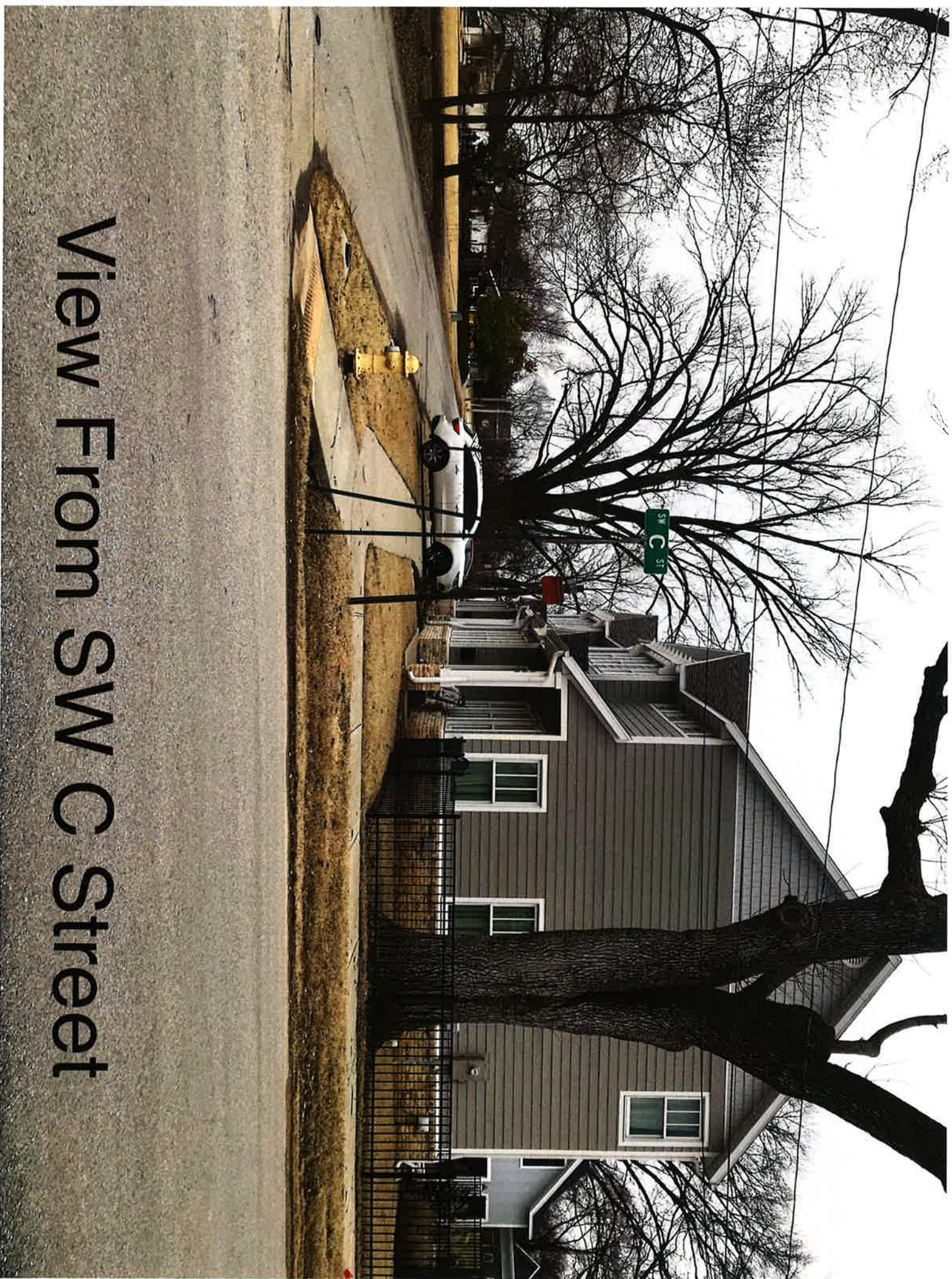


SW D View to South



402 SW 5th Street

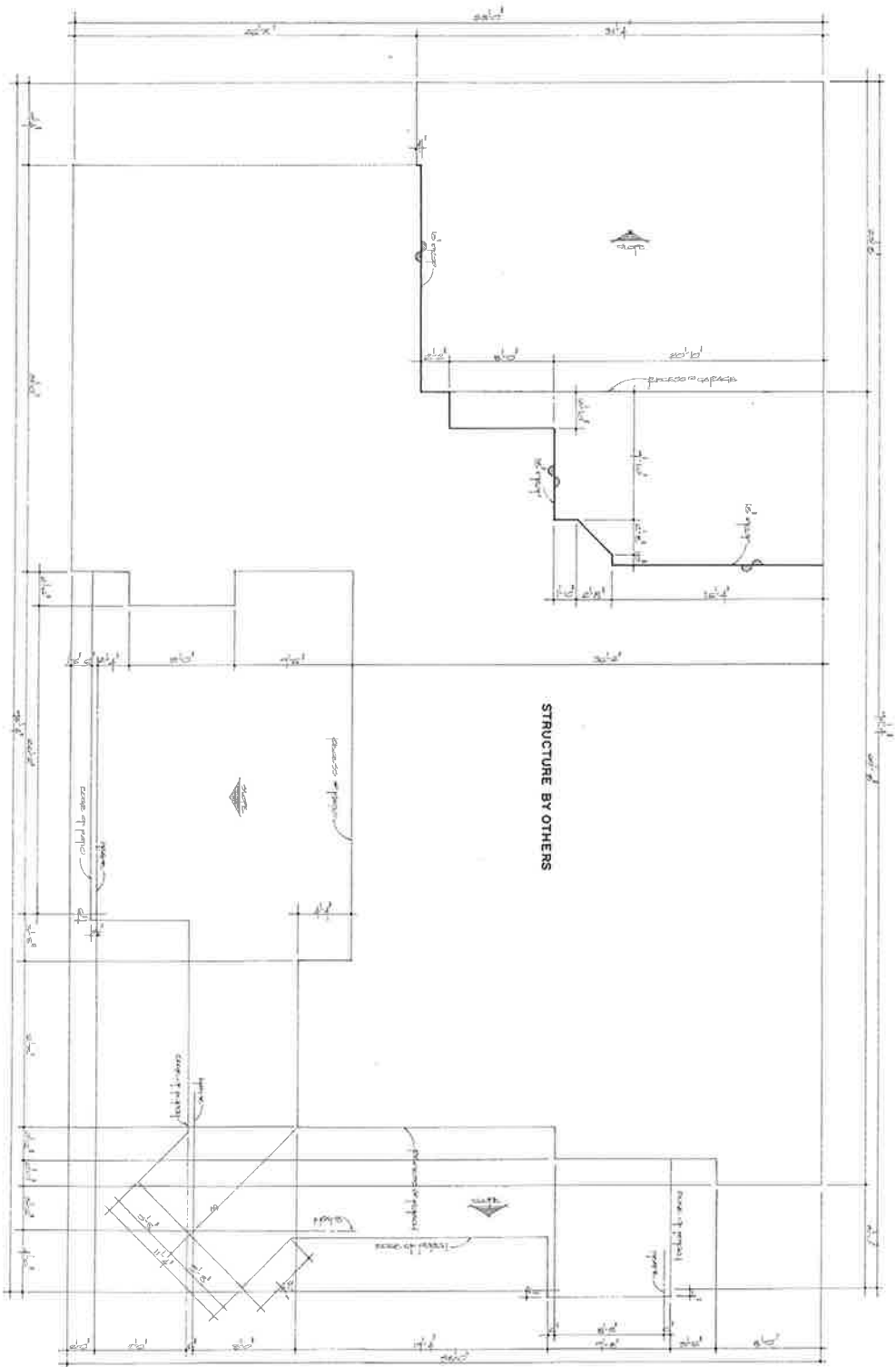




View From SW C Street

10 Setback on SW 5th Street

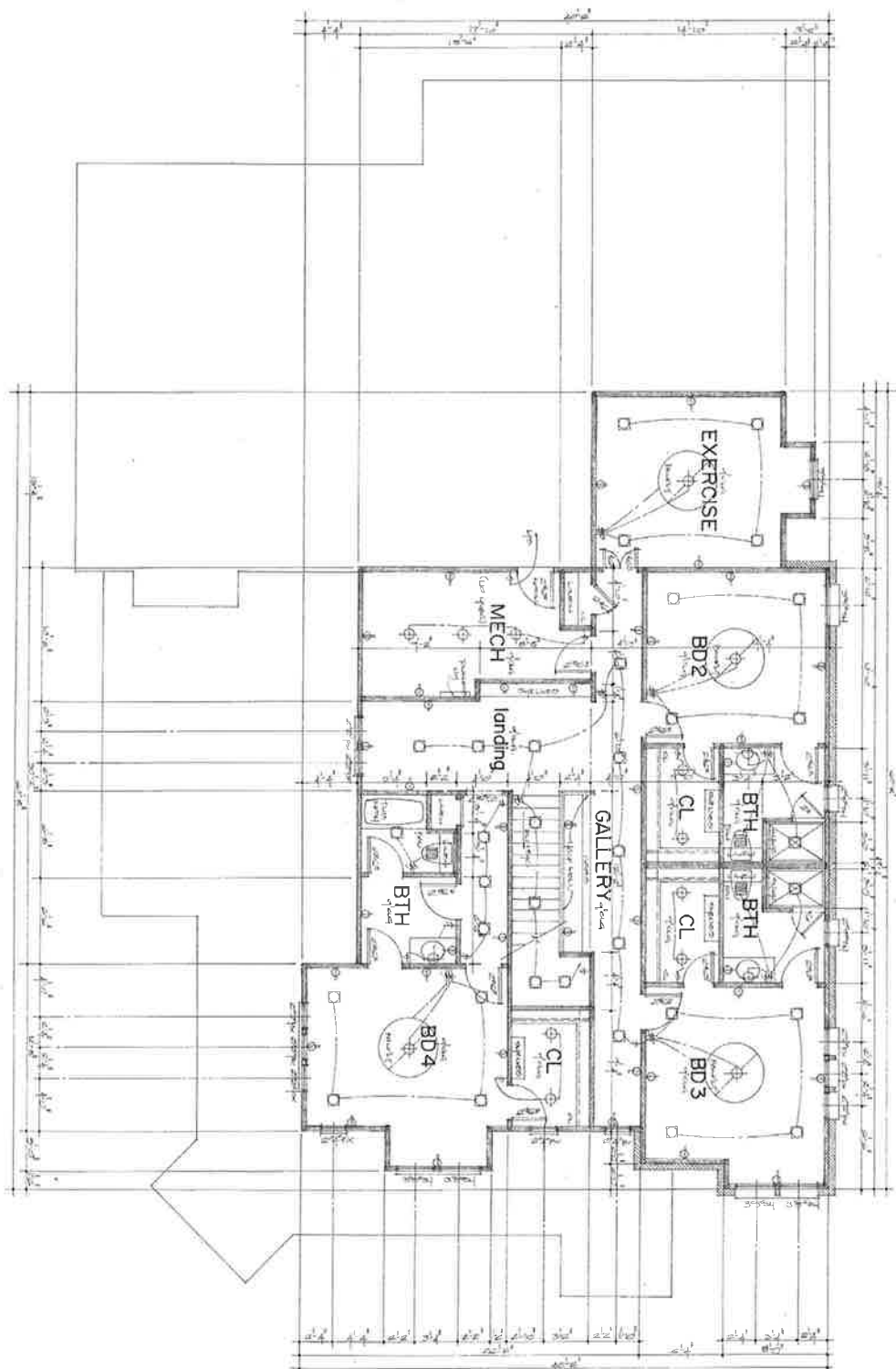




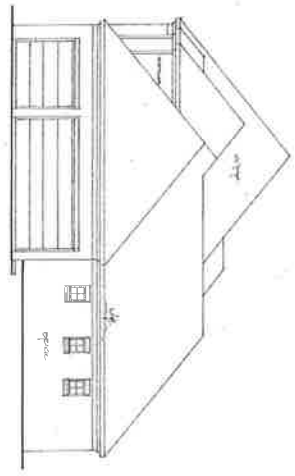
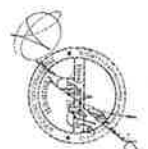
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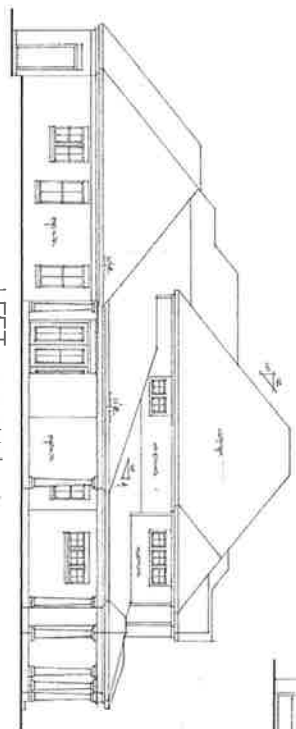
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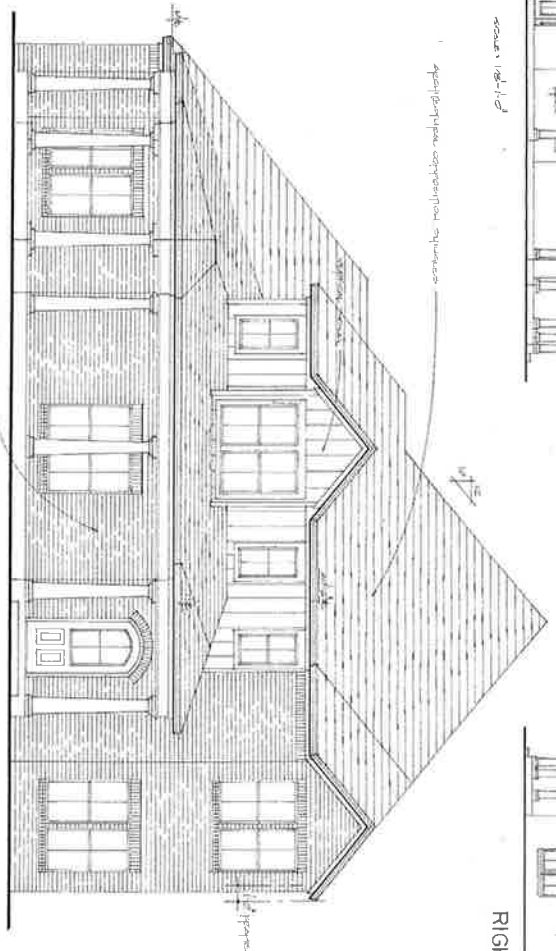
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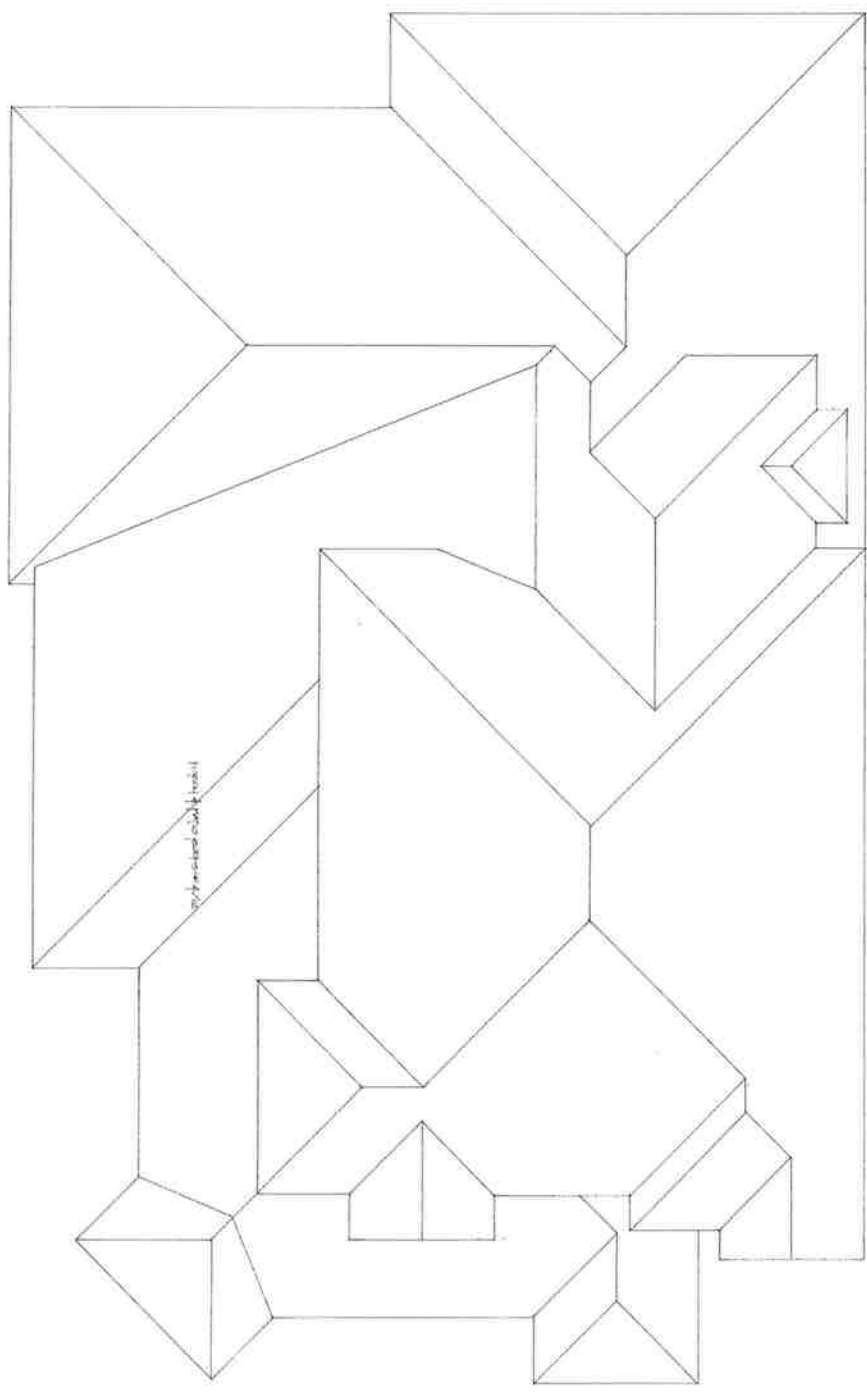


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FRONT ELEVATION
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ALL DIMENSIONS ARE APPROXIMATE




 ROOF PLAN



CHRONIC DYSPEPSIA

SHOP DRAWINGS

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b. Chromosome maps cut 2

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Fig. 1. Engineered model.

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STANDARD NOTES
SCALE: N.T.S.

SIMPSON ANCHOR DETAILS
SCALE: N.T.S.

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Residential / Commercial Design
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P.O. Box 820234, Fort Worth

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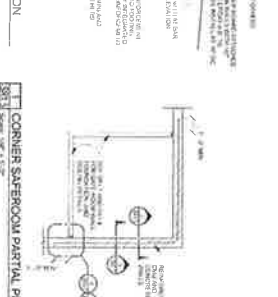
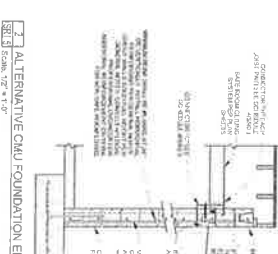
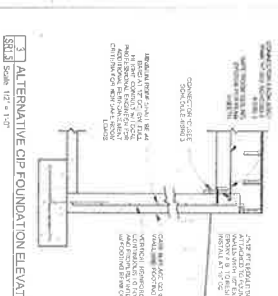
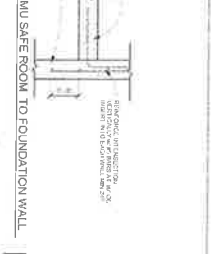
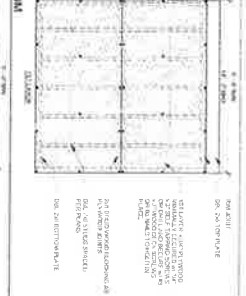
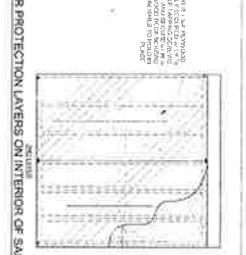
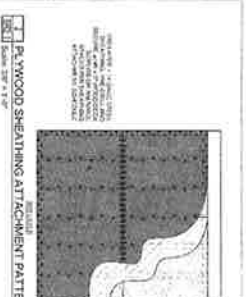
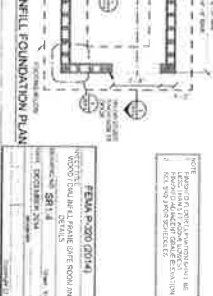
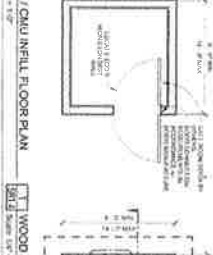
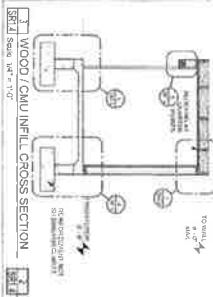
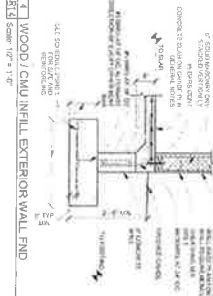
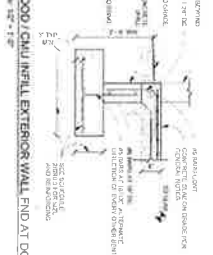
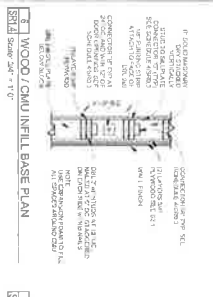
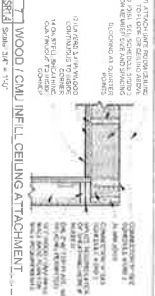
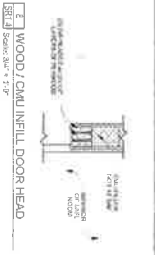
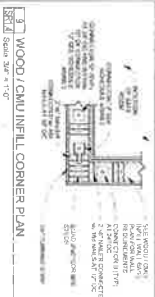


TABLE 1: TYPICAL EXTERIOR SAFE ROOM CONSTRUCTION DETAILS

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