

# **Staff Report**

## Infill Housing Design Review Committee

File Number: 9-A-23-IH

**Meeting:** 9/20/2023

**Applicant:** Josh Braden Braden Family Properties, LLC

Owner: Braden Family Properties, LLC

### **Property Information**

**Location:** 3317 Johnston St. **Parcel ID** 81 H C 043

**Zoning:** RN-2 (Single-Family Residential Neighborhood)

**District:** Lonsdale Infill Housing Overlay District

## **Description of Work**

Level III New Primary Structure

New duplex fronting Johnston Street. Two story, front-gable roof residence measures 36' wide by 34' long, with a hipped-roof porch projecting approximately 6.5' and extending the length of the facade. The structure is proposed to be set 49' from the front property line. Parking is proposed to be a 1,444 square foot asphalt parking lot located in the front of the structure and accessed via Johnston St.

The structure features a 6/12 pitch gable roof clad in three-dimensional shingles. The exterior will be clad in vinyl siding. The structure will rest on a concrete foundation and will feature 1/1 double hung vinyl windows.

On the façade (east), the hipped-roof porch will feature a roof to be clad in dimensional shingles, supported by two 6" wooden posts. The porch will be divided by a centrally located wall, flanked by a door and two 1/1 double-hung windows on each side. The second story of the façade features two smaller 1/1 double hung windows. The left and right elevations (south and north, respectively) feature four windows on the first story and two windows on the second story. The first floor of the rear elevation (west) features two secondary access doors, each flanked by a small 1/1 double-hung window, that open to stairs leading down to a concrete patio. The second story of the rear elevation features two pairs of 1/1 double-hung windows.

## **Applicable Design Guidelines**

Heart of Knoxville Infill Housing Design Guidelines

- 1. Front Yards:
- Consistent front yard space should be created along the street with the setback of a new house matching the older houses on the block.
- A walkway should be provided from the sidewalk or street to the front door. Along grid streets, the walk should be perpendicular to the street.
- Healthy trees that are outside the building footprint should be preserved. The root area should be marked and protected during construction.
- 2. House Orientation and Side Yards:
- New housing should be proportional to the dimensions of the lot and other houses on the block.

- Side yard setbacks should be similar to older houses on the block, keeping the rhythm of spacing between houses consistent.
- On lots greater than 50' in width, consider re-creating the original lot size.

#### 3. Alleys, Parking, and Services

- Parking should not be in front yards.
- On streets without alleys, garages or parking pads should be at least 20 feet behind the front façade of the infill house with access limited to one lane between the street and the front facade.

#### 4. Scale, Mass, and Foundation Height

- The front elevation should be designed to be similar in scale to other houses along the street.
- The front façade of new houses should be about the same width as original houses on the block.
- New foundations should be about the same height as the original houses in the neighborhood.
- If greater height is to be created (with new construction or an addition), that portion of the house should be located toward the side or rear of the property.

#### 5. Porches and Stoops

- Porches should be part of the housing design in those neighborhoods where porches were commonplace.
- Porches should be proportional to original porches on the block, extending about 8-12 feet toward the street from the habitable portion of the house
- Porches should extend into the front yard setback, if necessary, to maintain consistency with similarly sited porches along the street.
- Porch posts and railings should be like those used in the historic era of the neighborhood's development. Wrought iron columns and other materials that were not used in the early 1900's should not be used.

#### 6. Windows and Doors:

- When constructing new houses, the window and door styles should be similar to the original or historic houses on the block.
- To respect the privacy of adjacent properties, consider the placement of side windows and doors.
- The windows and doors on the front facade of an infill house should be located in similar proportion and position as the original houses on the block.
- Attention should be paid to window placement and the ratio of solid (the wall) to void (the window and door openings).
- Contemporary windows such as picture windows should not be used in pre-World War II neighborhoods.

#### 7. Roof Shapes and Materials

- New roofs should be designed to have a similar pitch to original housing on the block
- Darker shades of shingle were often used and should be chosen in roofing houses in Heart of Knoxville neighborhoods.

#### 8. Siding Material

- Clapboard-like materials (such as cement fiberboard) should be used in constructing new housing where painted wood siding was traditionally used
- Brick, wood shingle, and other less common material may be appropriate in some older neighborhoods, particularly those with a mix of architectural styles.
- Faced stone, vertical siding, and other non-historic materials should not be used in building new houses.

### 11. Landscape and Other Considerations:

- One native or naturalized shade tree should be planted in the front and rear yards of in fi ll lots with 25 feet or more in depth to front of house.

#### **Comments**

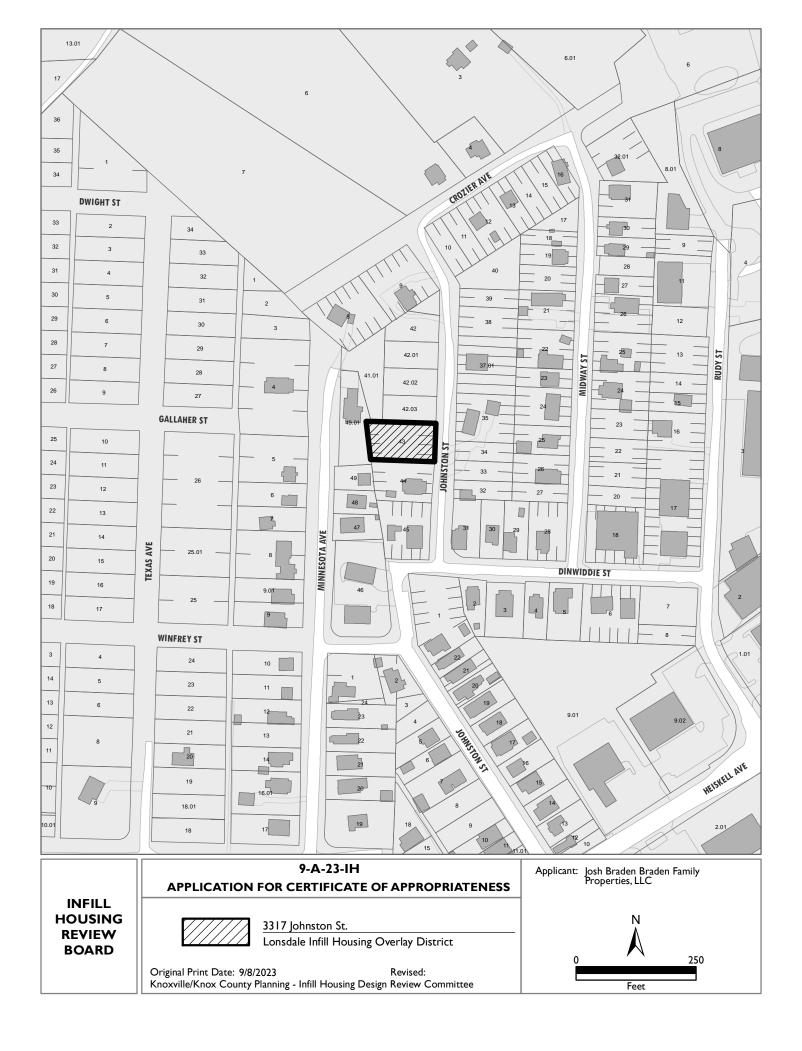
- 1. The house is proposed to be set 49' from the front property line. The average front setback of the block is 37'. The house should be moved towards the front property line to maintain a consistent streetscape pattern, which would also allow space for a parking area in the rear. The site plan should include a walkway to the street.
- 2. The block to receive new construction is characterized by contemporary infill construction, modified Queen Anne cottages, and modified Minimal Traditionals. The two-story duplex is larger than other single-family houses on the block, but is proportional to the dimensions of the lot.
- 3. As proposed, the parking does not meet Infill Housing design guidelines. The parking area should be moved to the rear of the building, which would allow for a single driveway alongside the house and a turnaround area in the rear. Final revisions to the site plan will be necessary to meet City Engineering standards.
- 4. The two-story, six-bay façade is wider in scale than the context; however, the building is a duplex and not a single-family house. As depicted, the foundation height is compatible with original houses in the neighborhood.
- 5. The site plan includes a 6.5' deep front porch; guidelines recommend at least an 8' deep front porch so residents can comfortably use the porch. The front porch should be increased in depth. Porch posts should be increased to at least 8 by 8s to be proportionate to the building. Four posts instead of two would also add detail to the house.
- 6. Guidelines recommend window and door styles be similar, with similar proportions and ratio of solid to void, to historic houses on the block. Overall, the design includes sufficient windows on each elevation. Revisions should be made to the second-story windows on the façade; the windows should be increased in size to match the second story, and centered above the interior windows. Two additional windows may also benefit the large swath of siding without transparency.
- 7. The proposed 6/12 pitch roof meets the Infill Housing design guidelines.
- 8. The application does not include information on siding or roofing materials. If vinyl siding is used, the siding should feature an overlap instead of Dutch lap or flush panel siding. The CMU foundation should be clad in stucco or brick. Additional siding details on the second story may benefit the wide mass of the house.
- 9. The final site plan should include one new native or naturalized shade tree to be planted in the front and rear yards.
- 10. As a duplex in the RN-2 zone, the project is subject to a Special Use review with the Planning Commission. Final revisions may be necessary to ensure the project meets the principal use standards for two-family dwellings.

#### Recommendation

Staff recommends approval of Certificate 9-A-23-IH, subject to the following conditions: 1) front setback to be revised to reflect existing streetscape pattern; 2) parking placement to be revised, placed in the rear of the lot; 3) final site plan to meet City Engineering standards; 4) front porch to be increased in depth to at least 8' and be supported by 8 by 8 posts; 5) revision to second-story façade windows; 6) duplex to receive special use approval by Planning Commission and meet the principal use standards for two-family dwellings.

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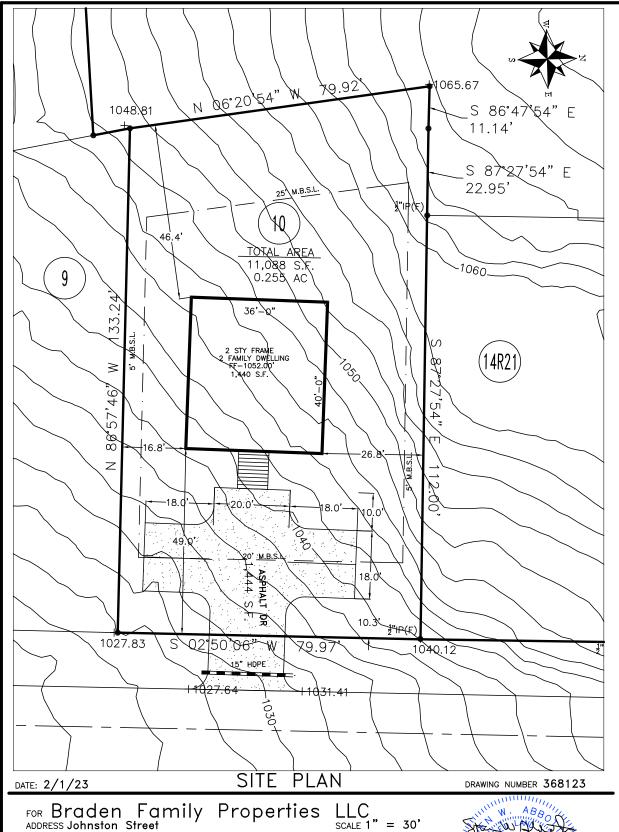
## DESIGN REVIEW REQUEST

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## **REQUEST**

DOWNTOWN DESIGN	Level 1:  Signs Alteration of an existing building/structure  Level 2:  Addition to an existing building/structure  Level 3:  Construction of new building/structure  Site design, parking, plaza  See required Downtown Design attachment for more details.  Brief description of work:		1
HISTORIC ZONING	Level 1:  Signs Routine repair of siding, windows, roof, or other features, in Level 2:  Major repair, removal, or replacement of architectural elements or mate Level 3:  Construction of a new primary building Level 4:  Relocation of a contributing structure Demolition of a contributing See required Historic Zoning attachment for more details.  Brief description of work:	erials	structures
INFILL HOUSING	Level 1:  □ Driveways, parking pads, access point, garages or similar facilities □ Level 2: □ Additions visible from the primary street □ Changes to porches visib Level 3: □ New primary structure □ Site built □ Modular □ Multi-Sectional See required Infill Housing attachment for more details. □ Brief description of work:	le from the primary street	
STAFF USE ONLY	ATTACHMENTS  ☐ Downtown Design Checklist ☐ Historic Zoning Design Checklist ☐ Infill Housing Design Checklist  ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS ☐ Property Owners / Option Holders  Level 1: \$50 • Level 2: \$100 • Level 3: \$250 • Level 4: \$500	FEE 1: 250.00 FEE 2: FEE 3:	TOTAL: 250.00



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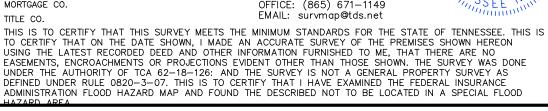
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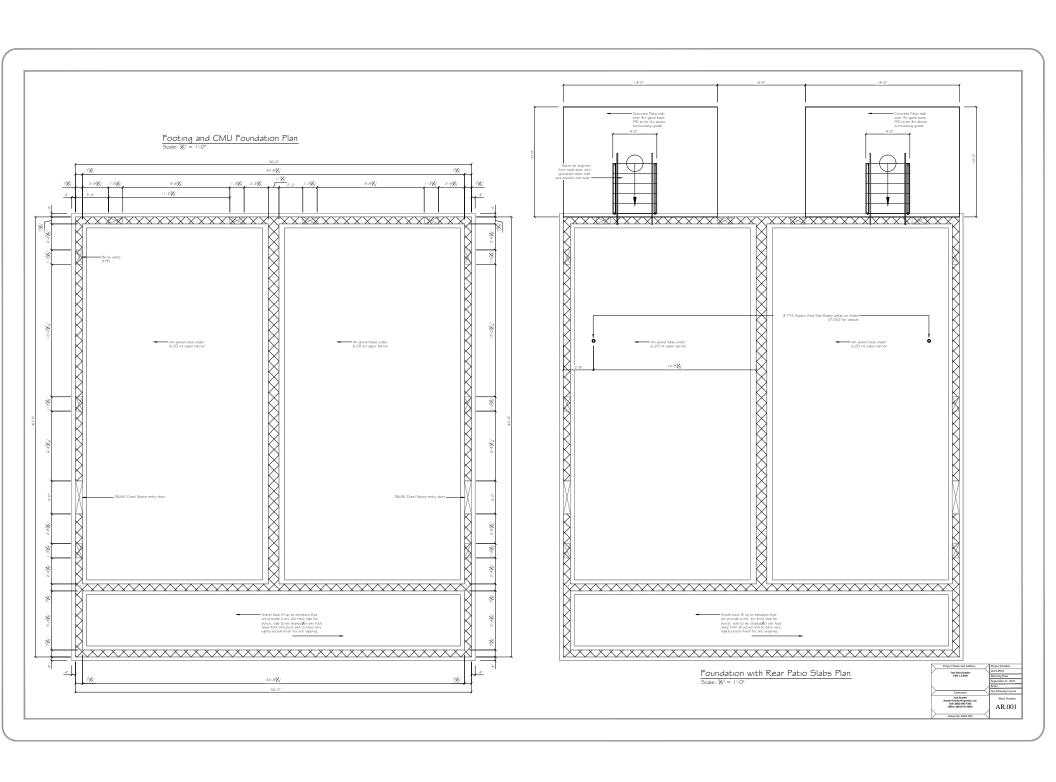
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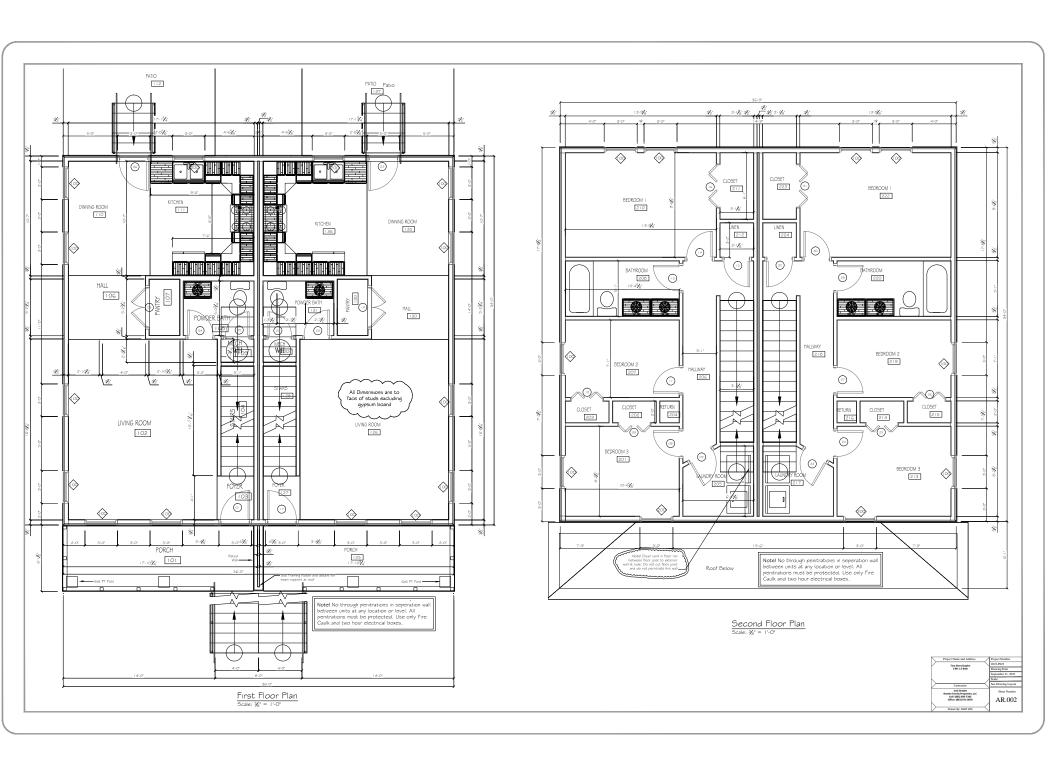
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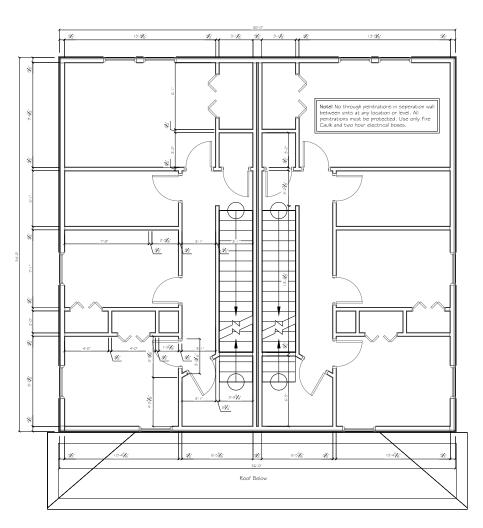












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102	Lorge Room	Unit A First Floor Living Room	227.08.55	
103	Fover	Unit A First Floor Entry Fover	13.50 SF	-
104	Stars	Unit A Stars to Second Floor	30.42 SF	
106	Hall	Unit A First Floor Hall Way	41.65 SF	
107	Partry	Unit A First Floor Pantry Closet	14.32 %	
108	Powder Bath	Unit A First Floor Powder Bath	32.16 SF	
109	Mech	Unit A First Floor Powder Bath Mechanical Closet	6.26 SF	
110	Dinning Room	Unit A First Book Dinning Area	78.75.5E	
111	Kitchen	Unit A Tirst Floor Nitchen Area	100.30 SF	
112	Patro	Unit A First Floor Rear Patio	1.38 A3 SE	
125	Parch .	Unit D First Floor Front Porch	106.36.90	7
126	Living Room	Unit B First Floor Living Room	227.08.5E	2
127	Fover	Unit B First Floor Entry Fover	13.50.95	9
128	Stars	Unit B Stairs to Second Floor	30.42.5E	2
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131	Powder Bath	Unit B First Floor Powder Bath	32.16 SF	2
132	Mech	Unit B First Floor Powder Bath Mechanical Closet	6.26.SF	
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204	Return	Unit A Second Floor Return Chase	3.29.5F	9
205	Laundry Room	Unit A Second Floor Laundry Room	37.09 SF	2
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207	Bedroon 2	Unit A Second Floor Bedroom 2	72.11.5F	7
208	Bathroom	Unit A Second Floor Bathroom	51.51 SF	2
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211	Clovet	Unit A Second Floor Bedroom 1 Closet	18.00 SE	2
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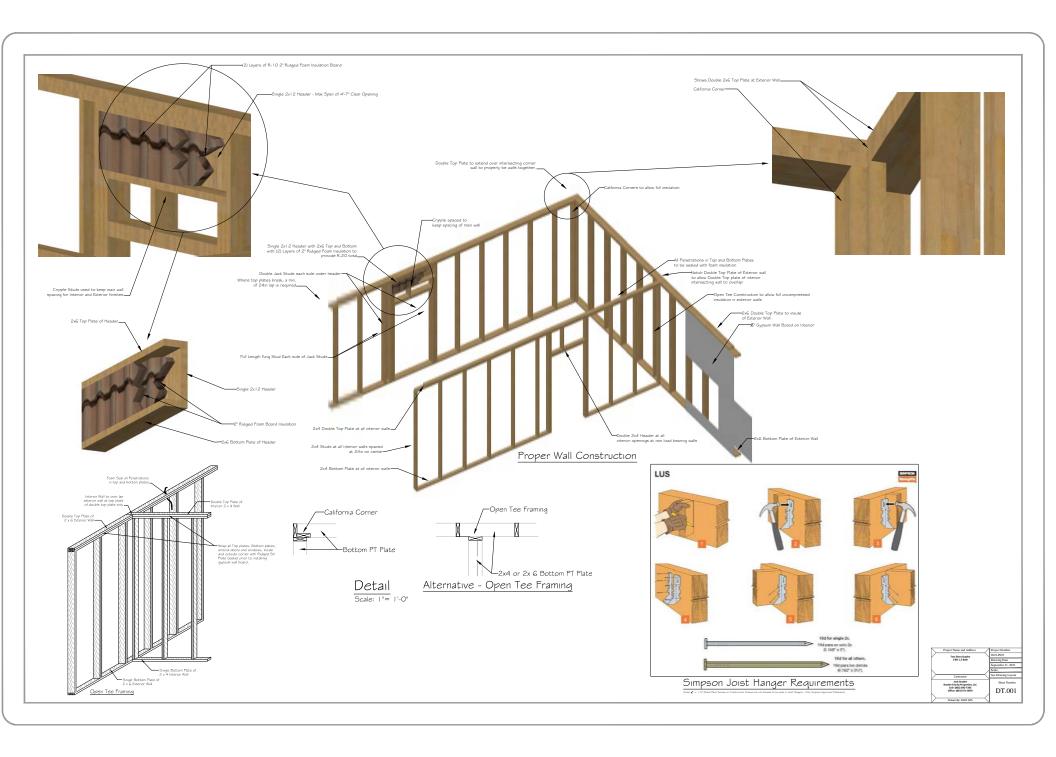
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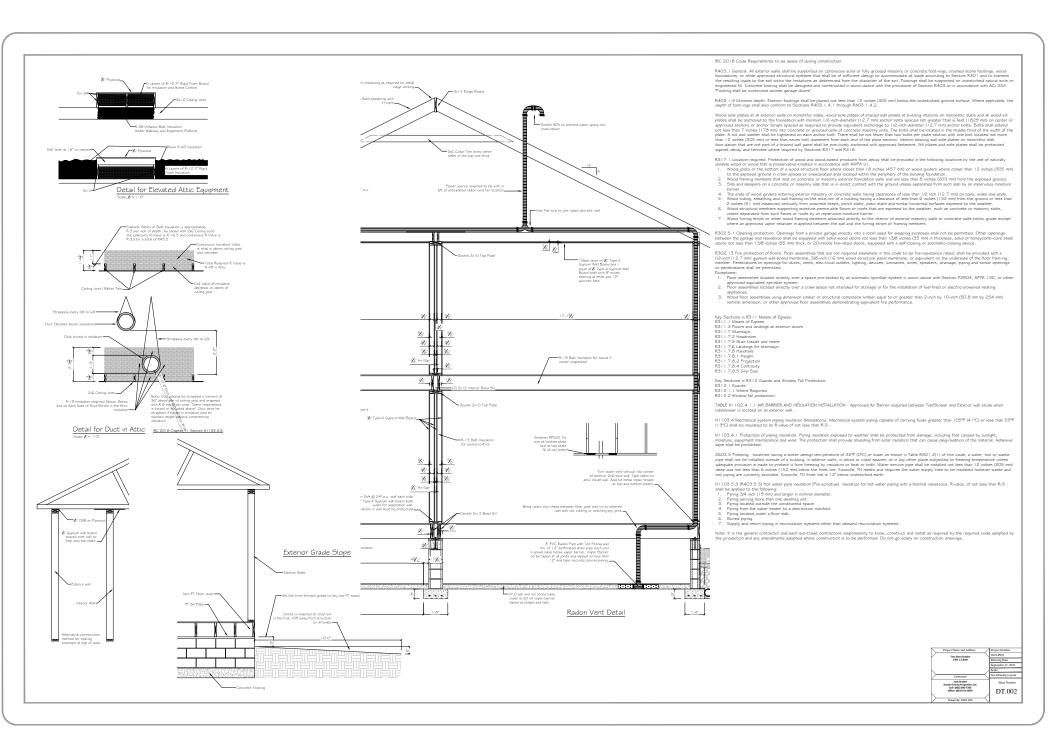
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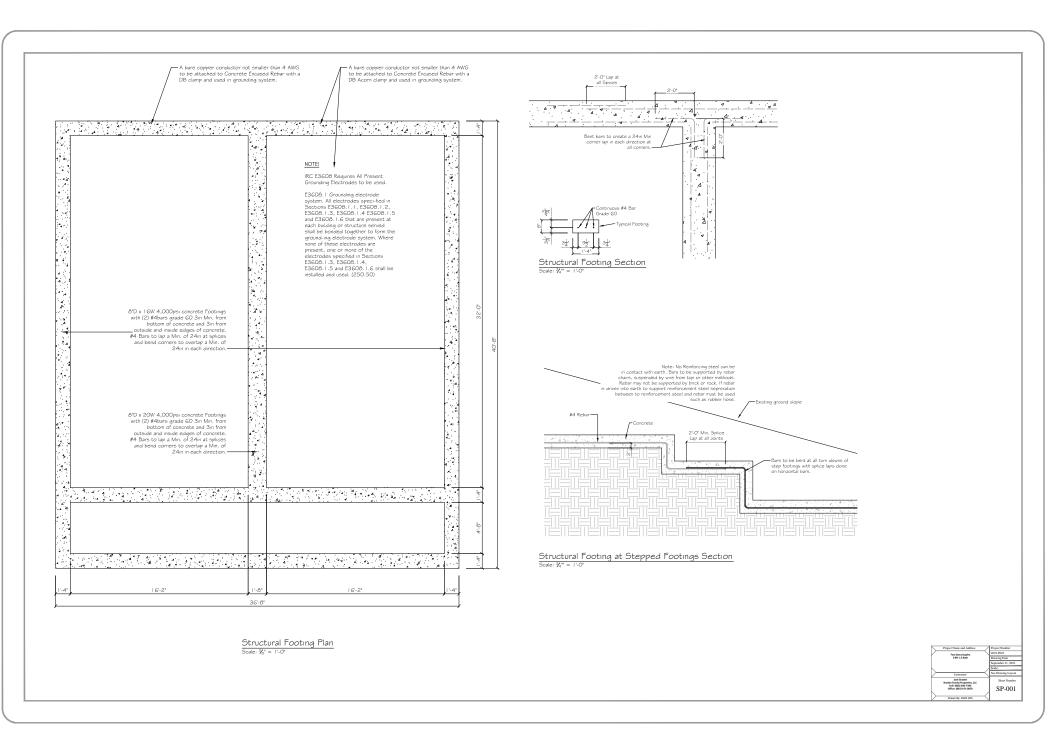
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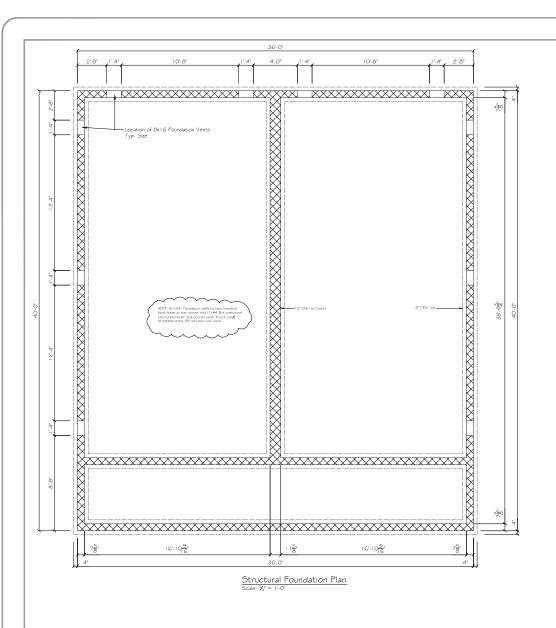
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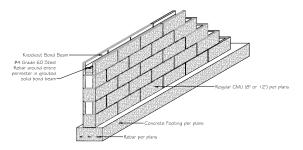






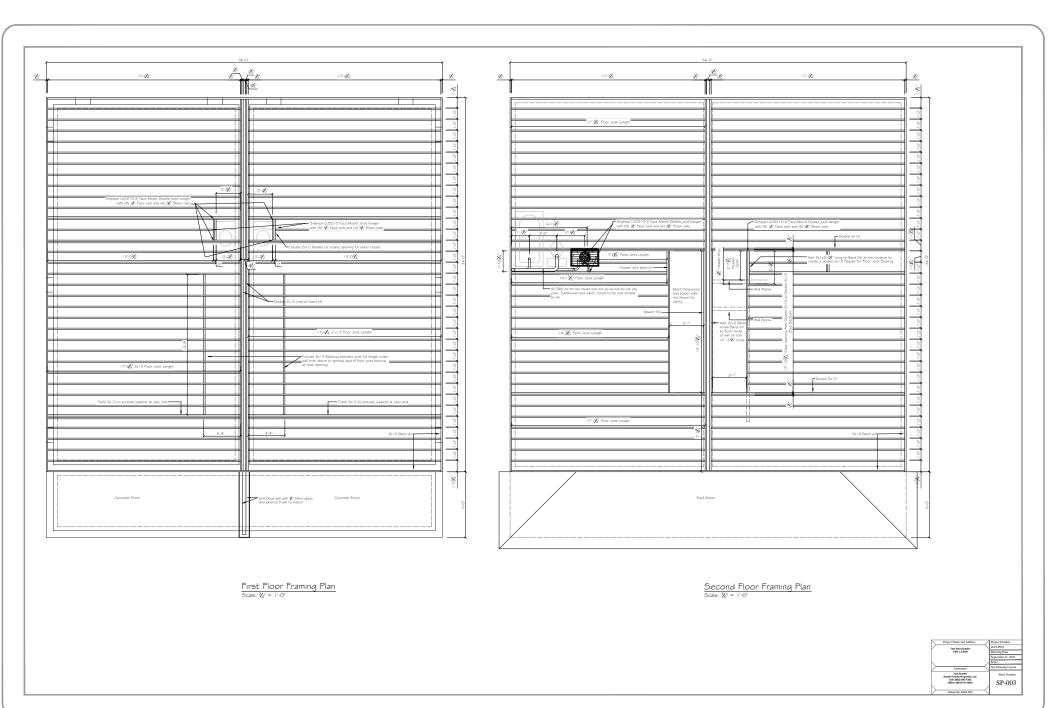


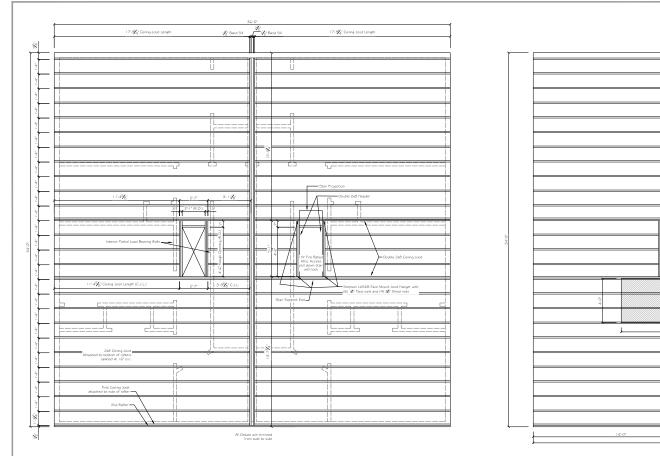




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