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February 2, 2021

Marblehead Zoning Board of Appeals

Re: Special Permit Application Storm Water Runoff Mitigation 69 Pleasant Street Wykes Residence

Dear Board Members,

At the last Zoning Board of Appeals hearing for which we presented (the December 22, 2020 hearing) there were concerns raised by the neighbors about our plans to mitigate storm water run-off. In order to address those concerns Mr. Wykes reengaged the services of our surveyor, Gail Smith of North Shore Survey, Ms. Smith revisited the property and provided us with a topographic survey for our use.

We also engaged the services of Mr. Robert Griffin, PE of the Griffin Engineering Group to prepare calculations and an engineered solution for a subsurface drainage system. Mr. Griffin's team performed a field visit on January 8, 2021 to test the soils percolation rate. While on site, two test pits were dug to determine subsurface conditions (TP-1 and TP-2 as shown on the plan prepared by Griffin Engineering dated January 20, 2021). As a result of these efforts we are offering the following designs to mitigate storm water runoff around the site and project location:

- During construction, erosion control will be provided along the adjacent lot line to limit the effect of runoff of storm water and other debris.
- Grade elevations along the lot line will be maintained and the grade will be swaled to capture run off and retain that water on Mr. Wykes property.
- A swale will be built at the rear of the proposed pergola (between elevations 56 and 57) with water being diverted from the uphill grade to a surface grate as part of a mini-catch basin (approx 30" in dia with a rim elevation of 55.5').
- Gutters and downspouts will be diverted to a subsurface pvc pipe drainage system.
- The mini-catch basin and downspouts will be diverted to the front of the garage addition to two 1000 gal drywells.
- One of the catch basins in the driveway will have a surface grate to capture runoff from the regarded driveway.
- Two trench drains will be installed in front of the garage doors of the addition and will be diverted to the driveway catch basins.

At the December meeting the abutters also brought up concern about the possibility of ledge below grade and the need to blast during foundation excavation. During the January 8th site visit, two test pits were dug to investigate the subsurface conditions. At TP-1 we were able to dig down 66" below grade before encountering resistance. At TP-2 we were able to dig down 78" below grade before encountering resistance.

This puts us well below minimum 48" as required by code for the bottom of the footing. It is our belief, based on this information, we will be able to excavate and pour footings and foundations with out blasting ledge. If ledge happens to be encountered, we'll be at a height far enough below grade that will allow us to pin to ledge for foundation support without blasting.

As a result of the topographic survey we are now confident that we can eliminate the landscape stairway that was previously shown in the side yard setback. We can navigate the grade change from the driveway (approximate grade 51') to the rear yard (approximate grade 56') with out a stair. Eliminating the stair will give us better control over the grades in this area in order to mitigate storm water run off and capture that water on Mr. Wykes property.

Lastly, at the December 22, 2020 meeting the Board requested that we have the site plan updated to clarify the building height. We have updated the zoning chart on the plan provided by North Shore Survey to reflect the correct height of the proposed addition.

Attached to this letter are the following:

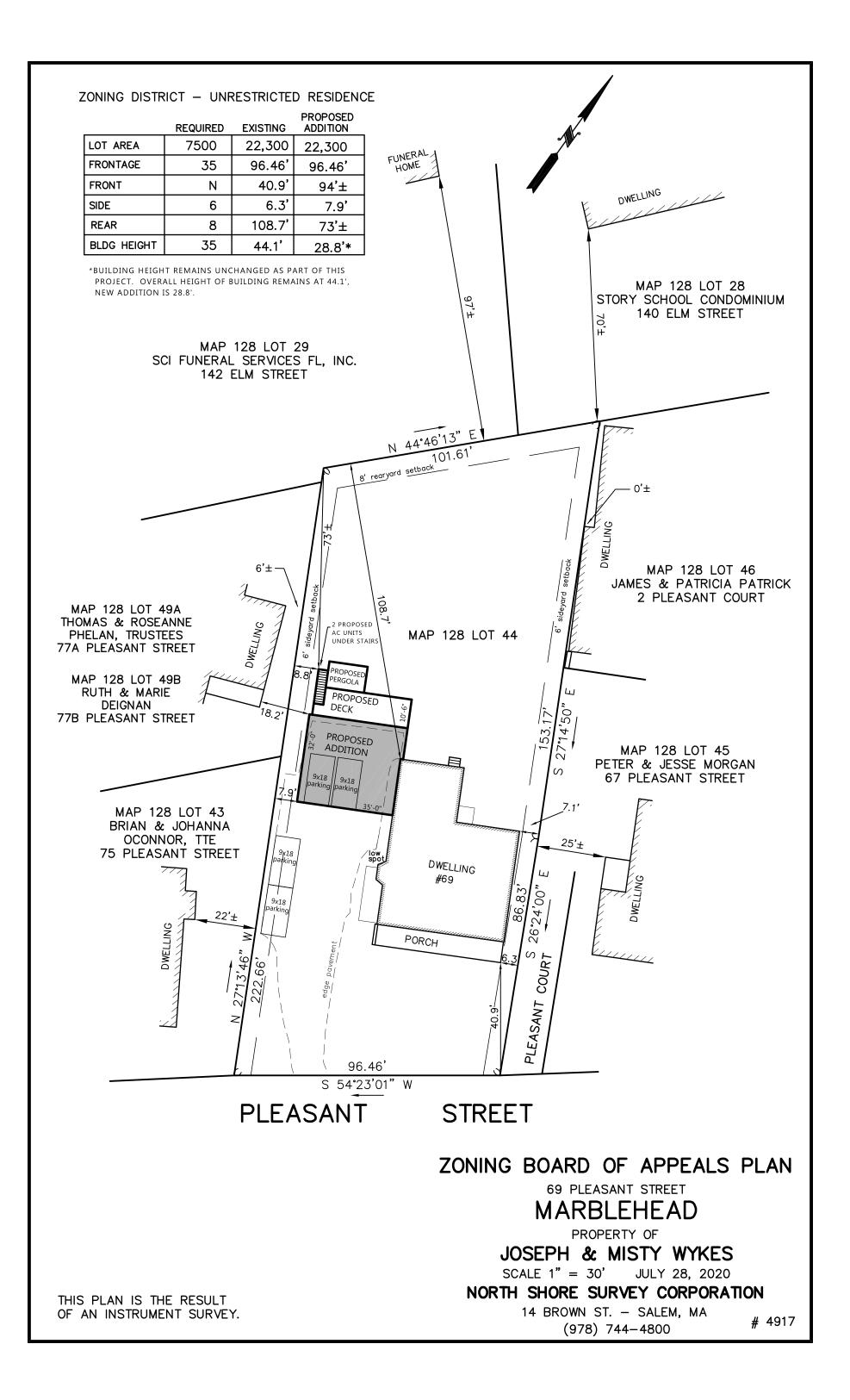
- Revised architectural drawings by Red Barn Architecture removing the landscape stair on the west side of the addition. Changes have been bubbled to highlight the change.
- A revised/updated SW-1 as prepared by Red Barn Architecture showing the proposed storm water plan. This plan is a schematic level plan indicating the proposed drainage elements and was originally presented at the December 22, 2020 meeting. This plan has been updated/coordinated with the drainage plan as prepared by Griffin Engineering
- Drainage Plan C-1 dated 1/20/2021 as prepared by Giffin Engineering showing the layout and size of proposed drainage systems
- Infiltration Calculations as prepared by Griffin Engineering dated 1/20/2021
- Test pit photos showing depth of excavation at TP-1 and TP-2 from the 1/8/2021 Griffin Engineering site visit

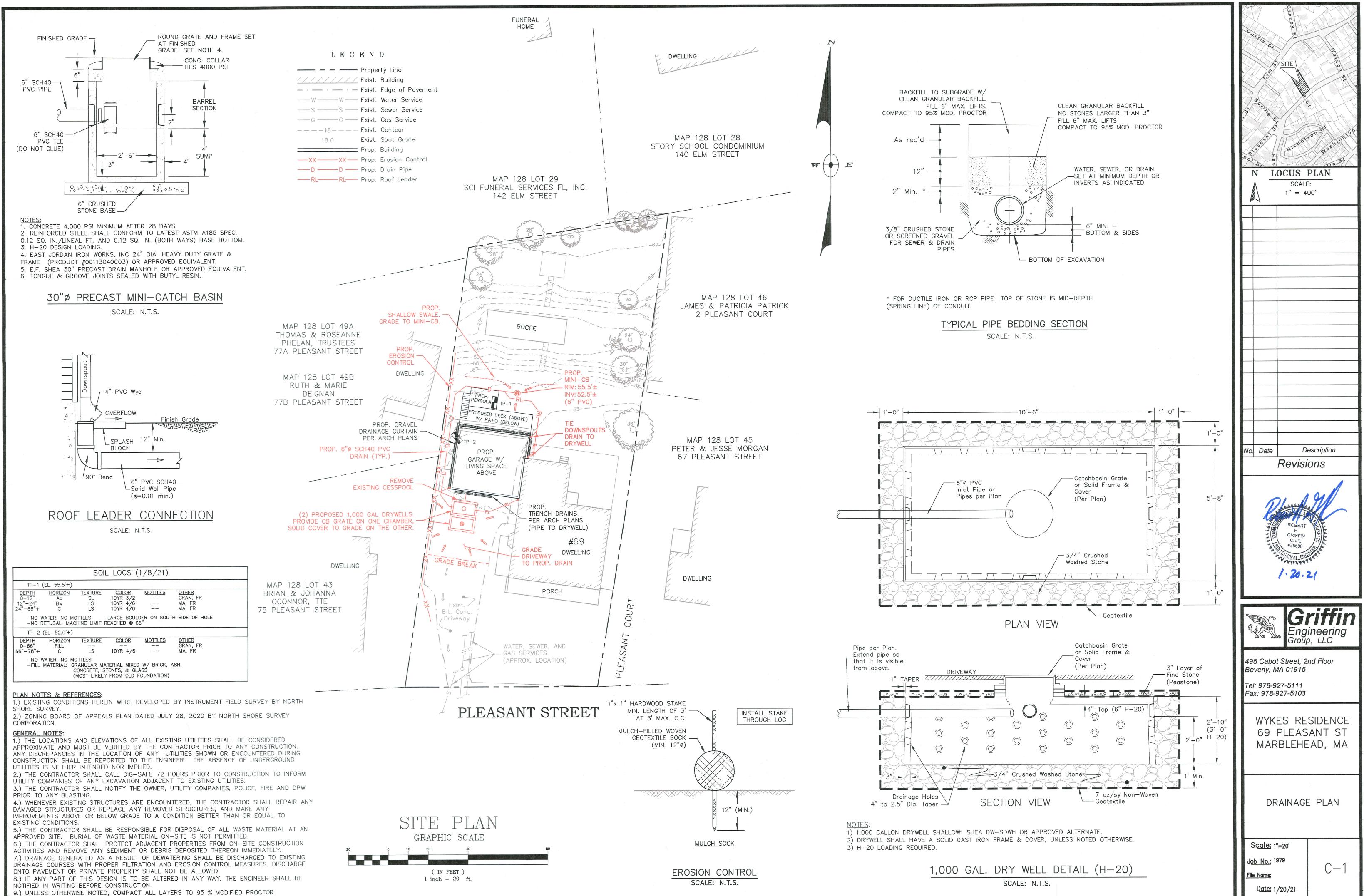
We hope these efforts and their results will satisfy the Board and the neighbors. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to be in touch with this office.

Sincerely,

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INFILTRATION CALCULATIONS

PROJECT: 69 Pleasant Street, Marblehead **DATE:** January 20, 2021

Tributary Impervious Areas

Total Impervious		sf, tributary to drywell(s)
Driveway (CB G	Grate): 1,148	sf
Mini-Catch	basin 533	sf
Portion of Existing Building	Roof: 473	sf
Proposed Building	Roof: 1,131	



1,000 Gal Drywell w/ 12" stone surround & 6" base

Chamber Storage:	129 cf
Stone Storage:	71 cf
Total Storage:	200 cf, per drywell

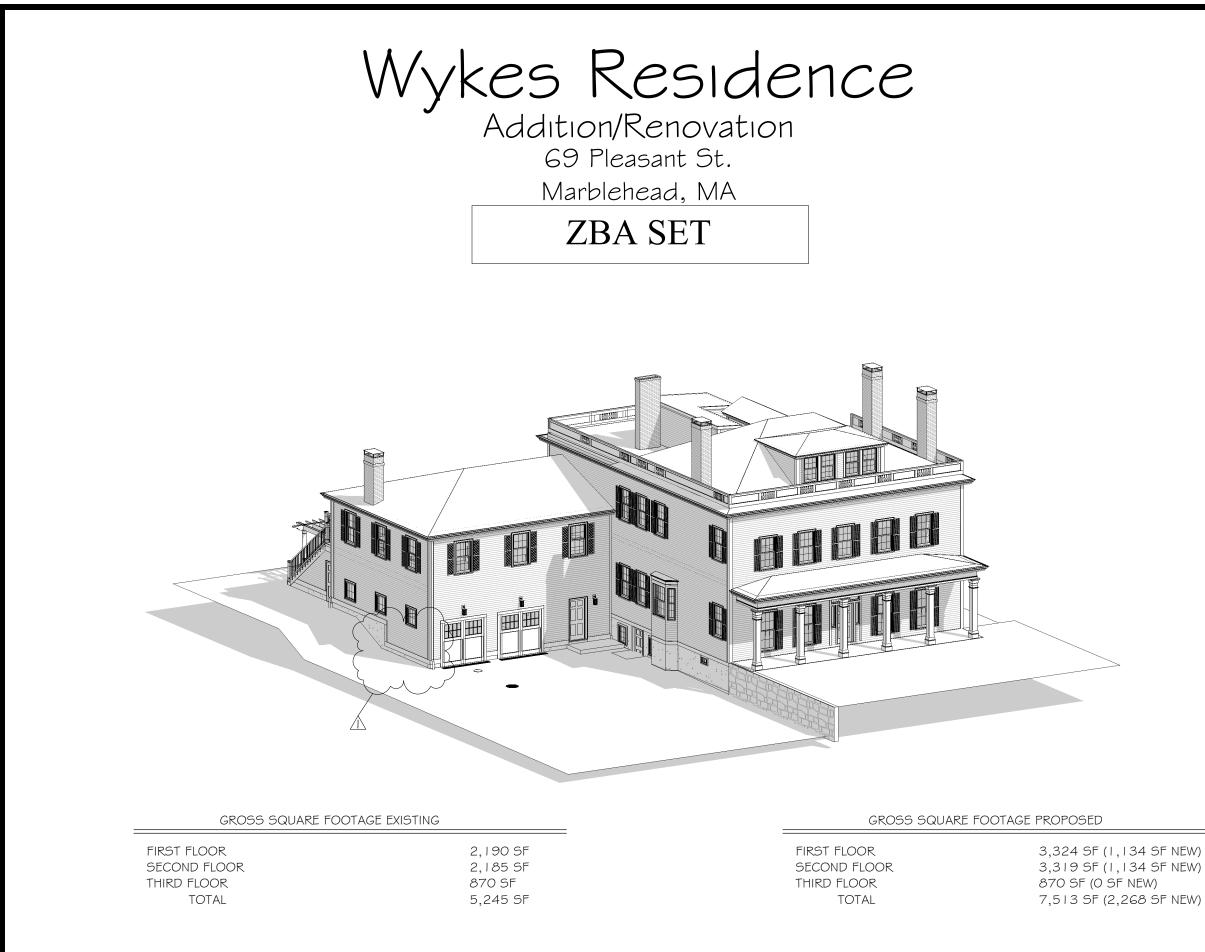
Number of Drywells Proposed:	2
Total Storage Provided (Static):	400 cf
Equivalent Runoff Depth from Tributary Area:	1.5 inches



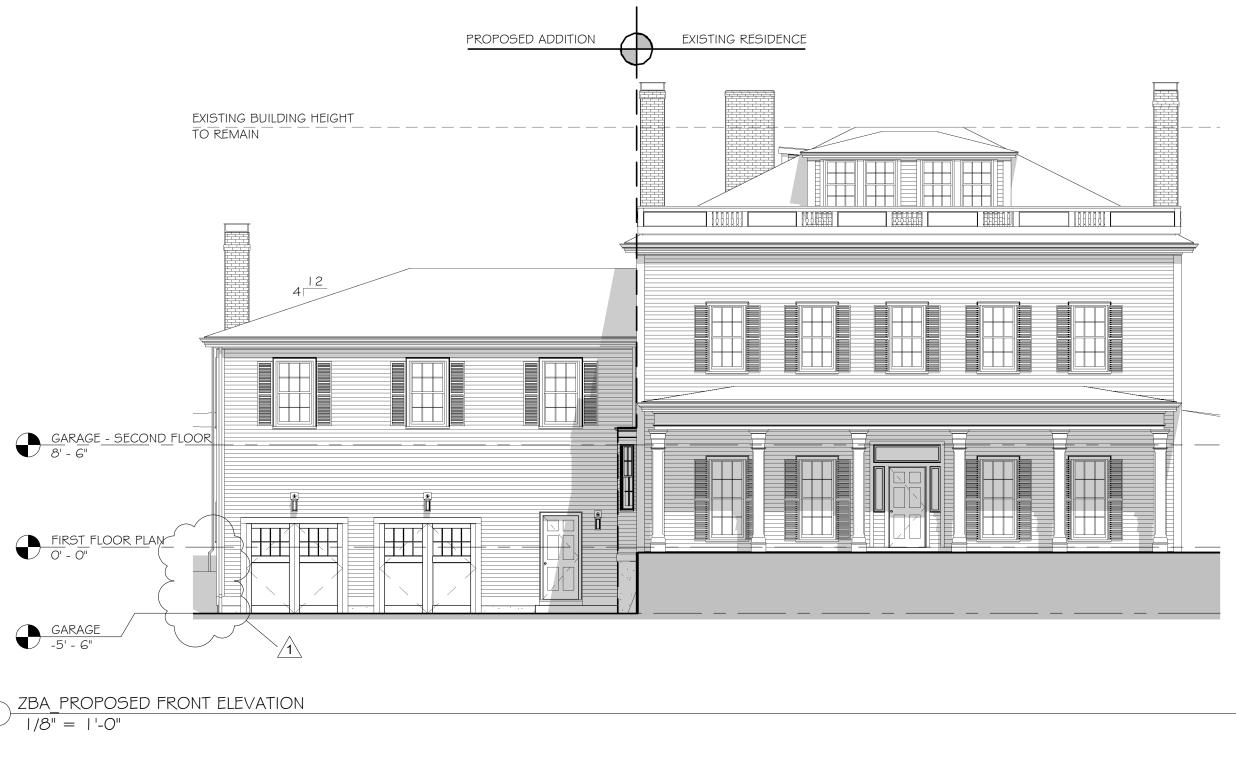








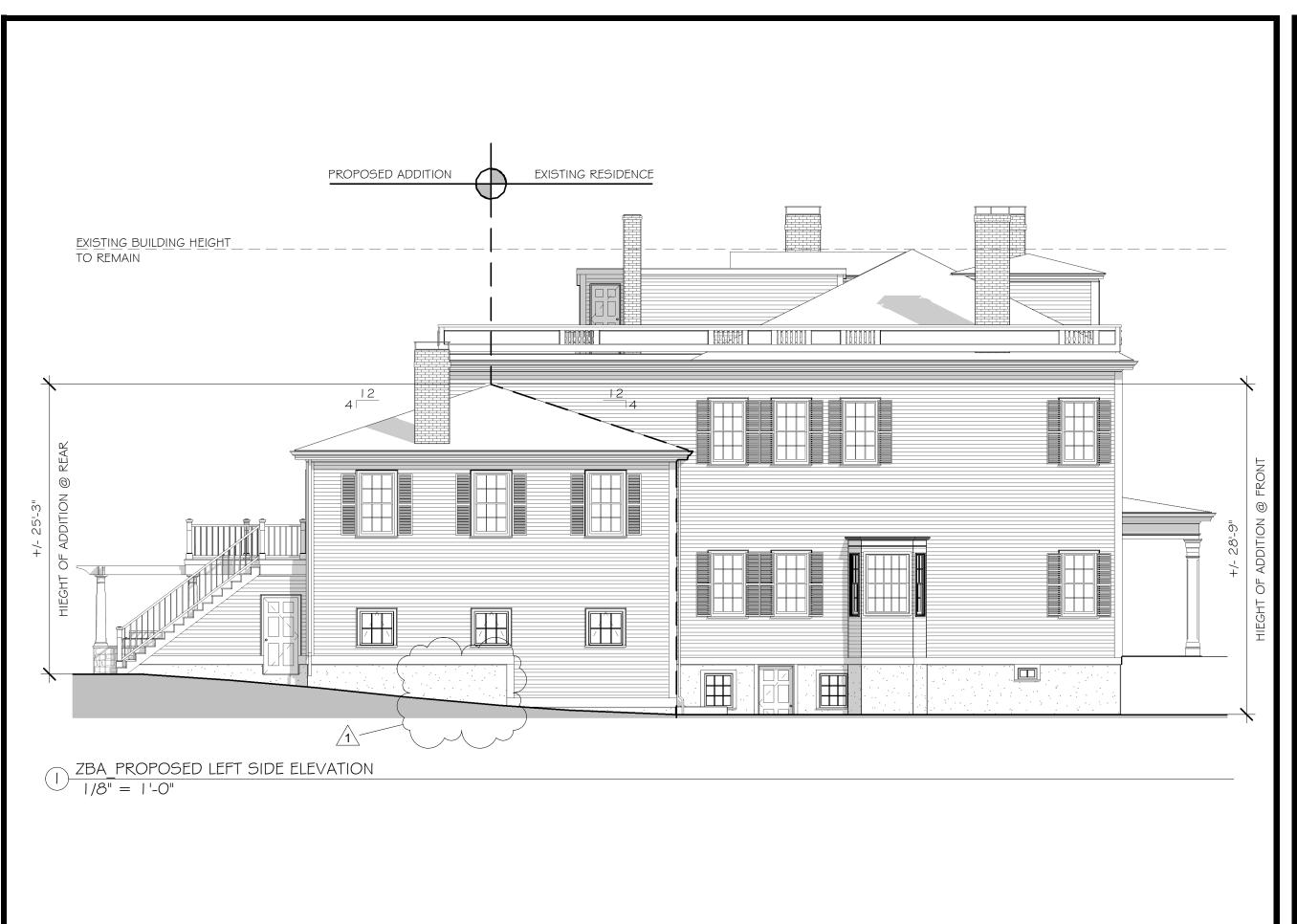
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