

Town of Belmont Planning Board

APPLICATION FOR A SPECIAL PERMIT

Date: 12/14/21

Planning Board Homer Municipal Building 19 Moore Street Belmont, MA 02478

To Whom It May Concern:

Pursuant to the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 40A,
Section 9, as amended, and the Zoning By-Law of the Town of Belmont, I/we the
undersigned, being the owner(s) of a certain parcel of land (with the buildings thereon)
situated on 41 Cecar Road, hereby apply to your Board
for a SPECIAL PERMIT for the erection or alteration on said premises or the use
thereof under the applicable Section of the Zoning By-Law of said Town for _ O/
accution to first and second floors
on the ground that the same will be in harmony with the general purpose and intent of
said Zoning By-Law.
Signature of Petitioner
Print Name / Patrick Murphy IV
Address 41 Cedar Road
Belment, MA 02478
Daytime Telephone Number _ 6/7 - 694 - 9550



OFFICE OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT TOWN OF BELMONT

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December 1, 2021

Patrick Murphy IV & Jennifer Murphy 41 Cedar Road Belmont, MA 02478

RE: Denial to Construct a Rear Addition.

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Murphy

The Office of Community Development is in receipt of your building permit application for the construction of an addition at 41 Cedar Road located in the Single Residence C (SR-C) Zoning District.

Your application has been denied because it does not comply with the Zoning By-Law. More specifically, §4.2.2 of the Zoning By-Law requires a minimum 10.0' side setback to the dwelling, also §1.5.4C(2) allow expansions of more than thirty percent (30%) in the Single Residence C district by a Special Permit granted by the Planning Board.

- 1. The existing side setback on the west side is 8.9' and the proposed west side setback is 8.8', a Special Permit is required.
- 2. The proposed increase in the percentage (46.5%) of the expansion exceeds 30% and is allowed by a Special Permit granted by the Planning Board.

You may alter your plans to conform to the current Town of Belmont Zoning By-Law and resubmit a building permit application, or you may request two (2) Special Permits from the Planning Board. If you choose this option, please contact the Office of Community Development to schedule an appointment with Robert Hummel, Senior Planner at (617) 993-2650 in order to begin the process.

Sincerely,

Glenn R. Clancy, P.E. Inspector of Buildings

Dear Members of the Planning Board,

Thank you in advance for your time and consideration regarding our proposed addition at 41 Cedar Road, Belmont. We are Patrick and Jennifer Murphy who recently purchased this beautiful home. I am a lifelong Belmont resident and a Town Meeting Member as well as on the Belmont Youth Hockey Board. I coach my children (Ages 8, 7 & 5) in hockey, soccer, baseball, lacrosse, softball, and t-ball as they make their way through the Belmont Youth program. Jennifer is a licensed social worker and a full-time mother that is an active volunteer at the Wellington Elementary School with lunch service, library, and room parenting.

We have a very large family in Belmont. My sisters and their families live on Hillcrest and Fairmont Roads, from which we are able to see both the front side of their homes and back side of their homes, respectively, and my parents live on Channing Road. We also have cousins who live on Sherman, Stella, Channing, Woodbine, Longmeadow, Chester, Dean, and Brighton streets in Belmont. When our children are fortunate enough to attend the magnificent new high school, there will be 14 first and second cousins in the high school at the same time.

Being born and raised in Belmont, I know what a great sense of community and familial relationships this town fosters. We purchased 41 Cedar Road so that our three children will be near their six first cousins, who are all within eight years of each other, as well as staying close to our extended family. Another reason for the purchase of 41 Cedar Road is that my parents, who live on Channing Road, are growing older. In the future it is very likely that there will be a need for my parents to move into our home at 41 Cedar Road and by increasing the size, it will make the home more comfortable for all of us when that time comes. We also have a lot of family functions in our home and the added space will allow for us to have these special events we have always dreamed about.

Our children are extremely active; however, our youngest son (5) was born legally blind. The manner in which 41 Cedar Road is currently constructed is a closed floor plan with lots of doors, twists, and turns. By putting this addition on, it will give the floor plan the much-needed open space to allow our son to safely navigate the home. The increased square footage will allow for less obstructions as he has difficulty moving through areas with a lot of items in his way or in his periphery. The addition will be crucial for his improvement in eyesight, as well as prepare him for the world as he grows older.

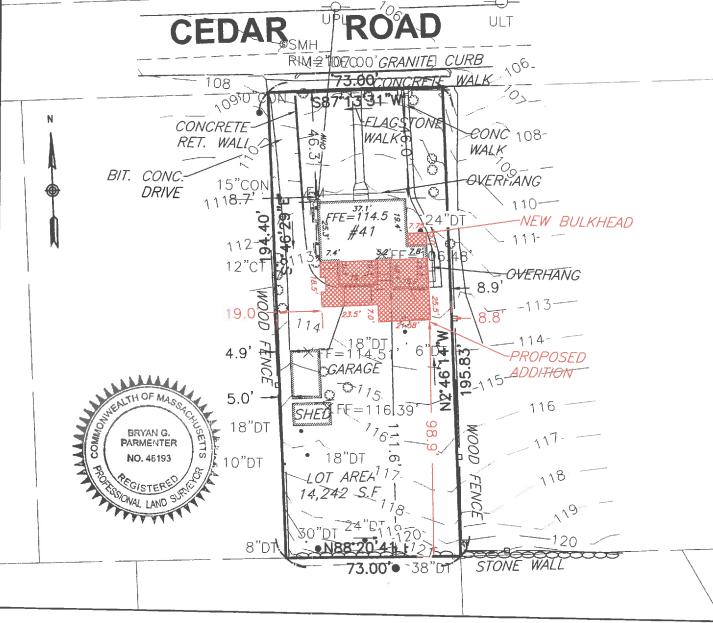
It is with this application that we ask you to see that we are not trying to become one of the largest houses on Cedar Road, or in our area, but rather, we are making our home at 41 Cedar Road similar in size to those houses in our vicinity. Our current home is one of the smallest, if not the smallest, in the neighborhood and with the addition it will be more in line with the average size of those homes in our surrounding area. We kindly ask that you approve our application for a Special Permit so that we may be able to keep all of our family members in Belmont for many, many more years as well as allowing us to have a home that will be more sensory appropriate for our legally blind son.

Very Truly Yours,

The Murphy's 41 Cedar Road Belmont, MA 02478

41 CEDAR ROAD, BELMONT MA		12/13/2021
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GROSS SQUARE FOOTAGE COMPARISON		
ROJAS DESIGN, INC.	EXISTING	PROPOSED
FIRST FLOOR	1,337.00	1,921.00
SECOND FLOOR	1,337.00	1,921.00
ATTIC	0.00	0.00
GROSS FLOOR AREA - RD	2,674.00	3,842.00
PERCENT INCREASE		43.70
OFFICE OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT	EXISTING	PROPOSED
FIRST FLOOR	1,331.15	1,970.98
SECOND FLOOR	1,331.15	1,970.98
ATTIC	87.50	87.50
GROSS FLOOR AREA - OCD	2,749.80	4,029.46
PERCENT INCREASE		46.50

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Rojas Design, Inc.		RD 2918
Cedar Road - Gross Floor Area Calculations		
Address	Calculated Gross Floor Area (SF)	Belmont Assessor TLA (SF)
Addiess	calculated Gloss Floor Area (SF)	Delinone Assessor TEA (ST)
200 Common Street	5,341	4,304
210 Common Street	2,675	2,654
10 Cedar Road	2,470	2,392
15 Cedar Road	2,592	2,512
16 Cedar Road	4,514	4,274
21 Cedar Road	3,395	3,323
24 Cedar Road	3,882	3,686
26 Cedar Road	3,681	3,651
27 Cedar Road	3,912	3,879
34 Cedar Road	3,183	2,880
35 Cedar Road	3,295	3,160
41 Cedar Road - Existing	2,674	2,516
41 Cedar Road - Proposed	3,842	3,842
48 Cedar Road	4,186	4,200
49 Cedar Road	6,225	5,995
52 Cedar Road	4,045	3,757
53 Cedar Road	2,923	2,904
58 Cedar Road	3,750	3,758
63 Cedar Road	3,871	3,504
69 Cedar Road	3,359	3,331
75 Cedar Road	4,577	4,566
135 Goden Street	4,029	3,816
Average of 21 Properties	3,742	3,638
(41 Cedar Road - Existing GFA & TLA only)	-,- 1-	2,000



PFS PERFORMED AN ON THE GROUND SURVEY AT THE LOCUS PARCEL, 41 CEDAR ROAD. RESEARCH WAS DONE AT THE LOCAL TOWN OFFICES, REGISTRY OF DEEDS AND LAND COURT TO OBTAIN DEEDS AND PLANS OF THE LOCUS AND ABUTTING PARCELS. PFS FIELD MEASURED ALL THE FEATURES AS SHOWN ON THE PLAN 1) AND RECONCILED THE FIELD INFORMATION WITH THE RECORD INFORMATION.

PFS PREPARED THE EXISTING
CONDITIONS PLAN AND ADDED THE
PROPOSED ADDITION FROM THE
ARCHITECTURAL DRAWINGS PROVIDED
BY THE CLIENT. SETBACK DISTANCES WERE MEASURED FROM THE PROPOSED EDGES OF THE FOUNDATION PERPENDICULAR TO THE NEAREST PROPERTY LINES.

I HERE BY CERTIFY THAT AN INSTRUMENT SURVEY WAS PERFORMED FOR THE PROPERTY SHOWN ON THIS PLAN.

PROFESSIONAL LAND SURVEYOR PLS #48193

General Notes

THE LOT LIES ENTIRELY WITHIN ZONE X UNSHADED (AREA OF MINIMAL FLOODING) AS SHOWN ON THE FLOOD INSURANCE RATE MAP FOR THE TOWN OF BELMONT, MASSACHUSETTS, COMMUNITY PANEL NUMBER 25017C0412E, EFFECTIVE DATE JUNE 4, 2010.

THE LOT LIES ENTIRELY WITHIN THE SINGLE RESIDENCE C DISTRICT (SRC) AS SHOWN ON THE "ZONING DISTRICT MAP OF BELMONT, MASSACHUSETTS", DIMENSIONAL REQUIREMENTS FOR A (SRC) AT THE TIME OF THIS SURVEY ARE:

	REQUIRED		EXISTING	PROPOSED
MINIMUM LOT AREA	9,000 S	S.F	14,242 S.F	.14,242 S.F.
MINIMUM FRONTAGE MINIMUM FRONT YARD SETE MINIMUM SIDE YARD SETBA	75 FEI	ET T.	73 FEET	73 FEET
MINIMUM REAR YARD SETB	ACK30 FEE	T	111.6 FEET	98.9 FEFT
MAXIMUM BUILDING HEIGHT.				
MAXIMUM BUILDING STORIES	52	.5	2.5	2.5
OPEN SPACE	50%	*********	74.7%	70.1%
LOT COVERAGE	25%	***************	14.1%	16.6%
40	0	40	80	
	SCALE IN	FEET		

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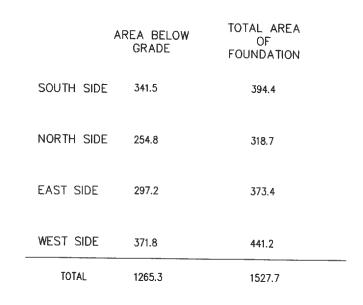
Groveland, MA 01834 P 978.891.5203

PLOT PLAN 41 CEDAR ROAD BELMONT, MA MAP 18, LOT 76 PATRICK MURPHY 41 CEDAR ROAD, BELMONT, MA

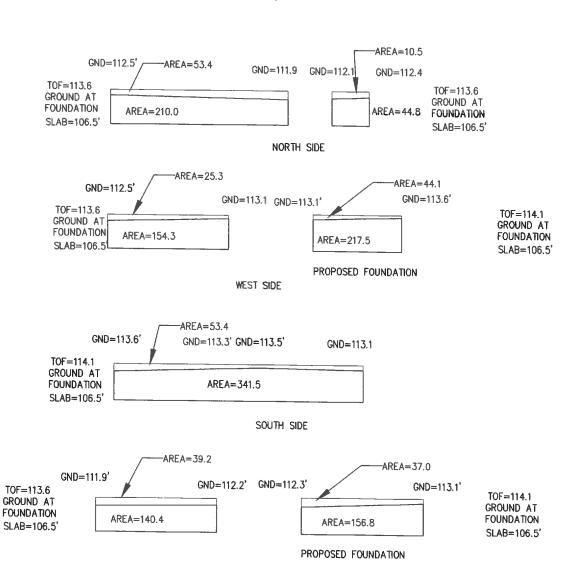
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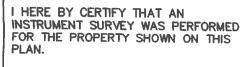
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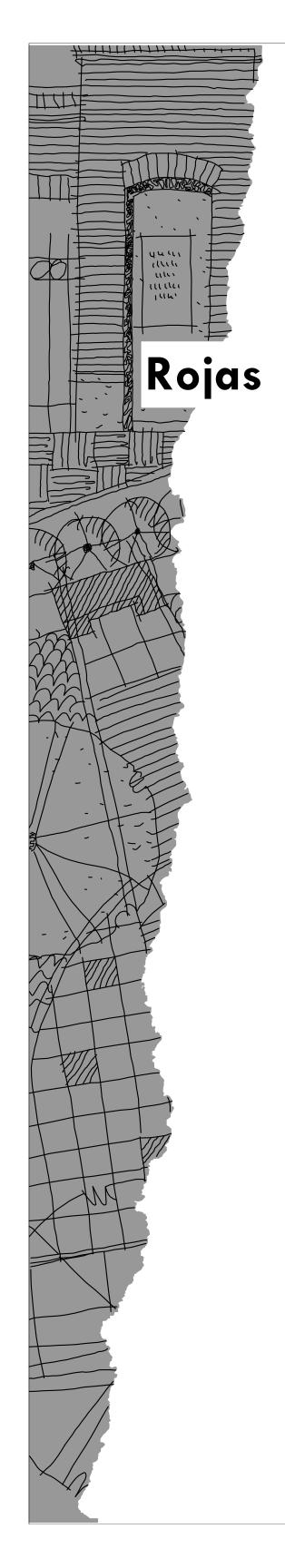
MAP 18, LOT 76

PATRICK MURPHY

41 CEDAR ROAD, BELMONT, MA

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Scale
1" = 20'
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41 CEDAR ROAD

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PERMIT SET 10/25/2021

SHEET LIST		
Sheet Number	Sheet Title	
	COVER SHEET	
EX- 01	EXISTING FIRST FLOOR PLAN	
EX- 02	EXISTING SECOND FLOOR PLAN	
EX- 03	existing basement floor plan	
EX- 04	EXISTING FRONT (NORTH) ELEVATION	
EX- 05	existing side (east) elevation	
EX- 06	EXISTING REAR (SOUTH) ELEVATION	
EX- 07	EXISTING SIDE (WEST) ELEVATION	
A- 01	PROPOSED FIRST FLOOR PLAN	
A- 02	PROPOSED SECOND FLOOR PLAN	
A- 03	PROPOSED BASEMENT FLOOR PLAN	
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A- 05	PROPOSED SIDE (EAST) ELEVATION	
A- 06	PROPOSED REAR (SOUTH) ELEVATION	
A- 07	PROPOSED SIDE (WEST) ELEVATION	

| Architecture | Interior Design |

Ms. Jennifer L. Murphy
Mr. Patrick J. Murphy IV

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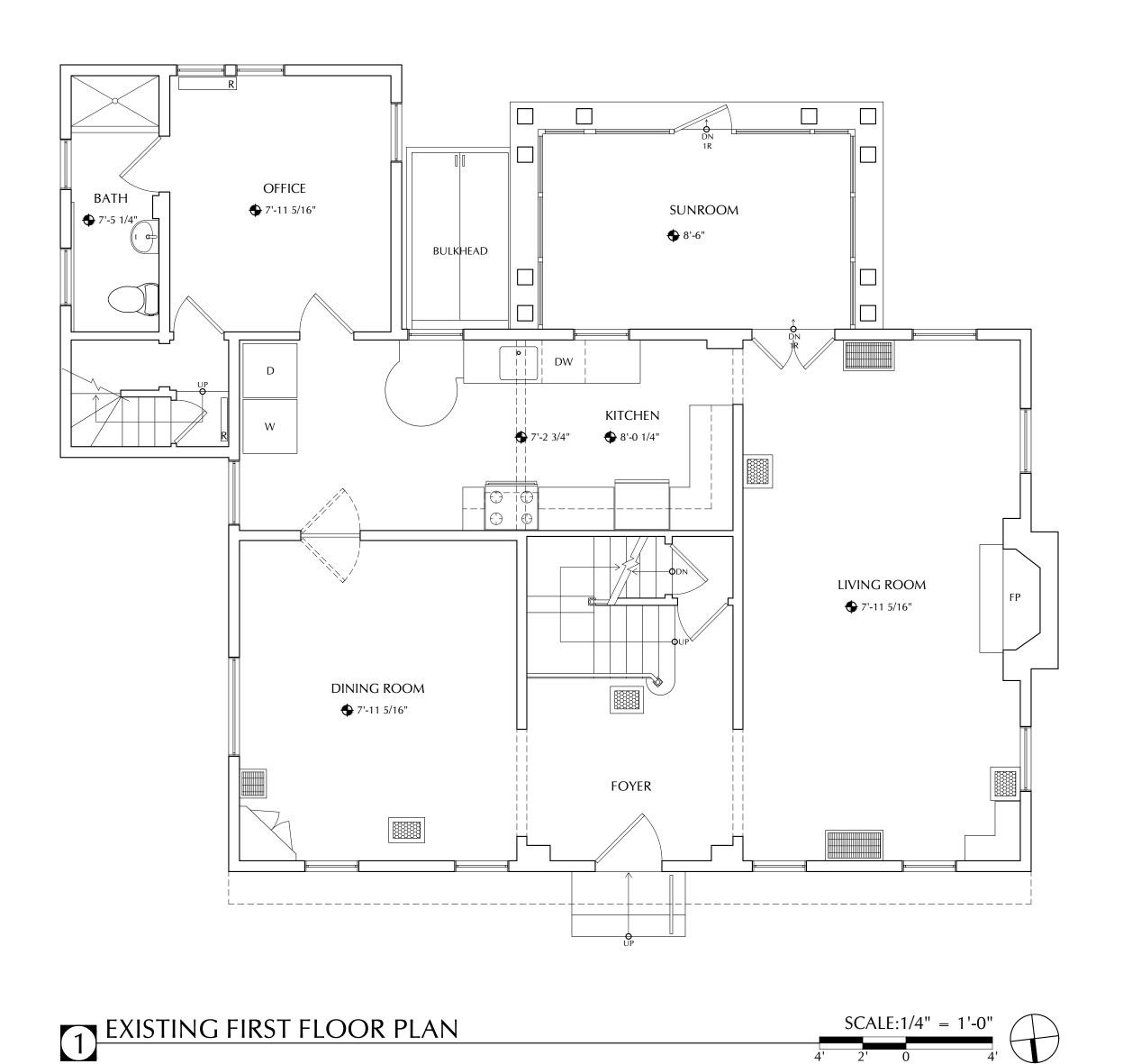
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General Contractor

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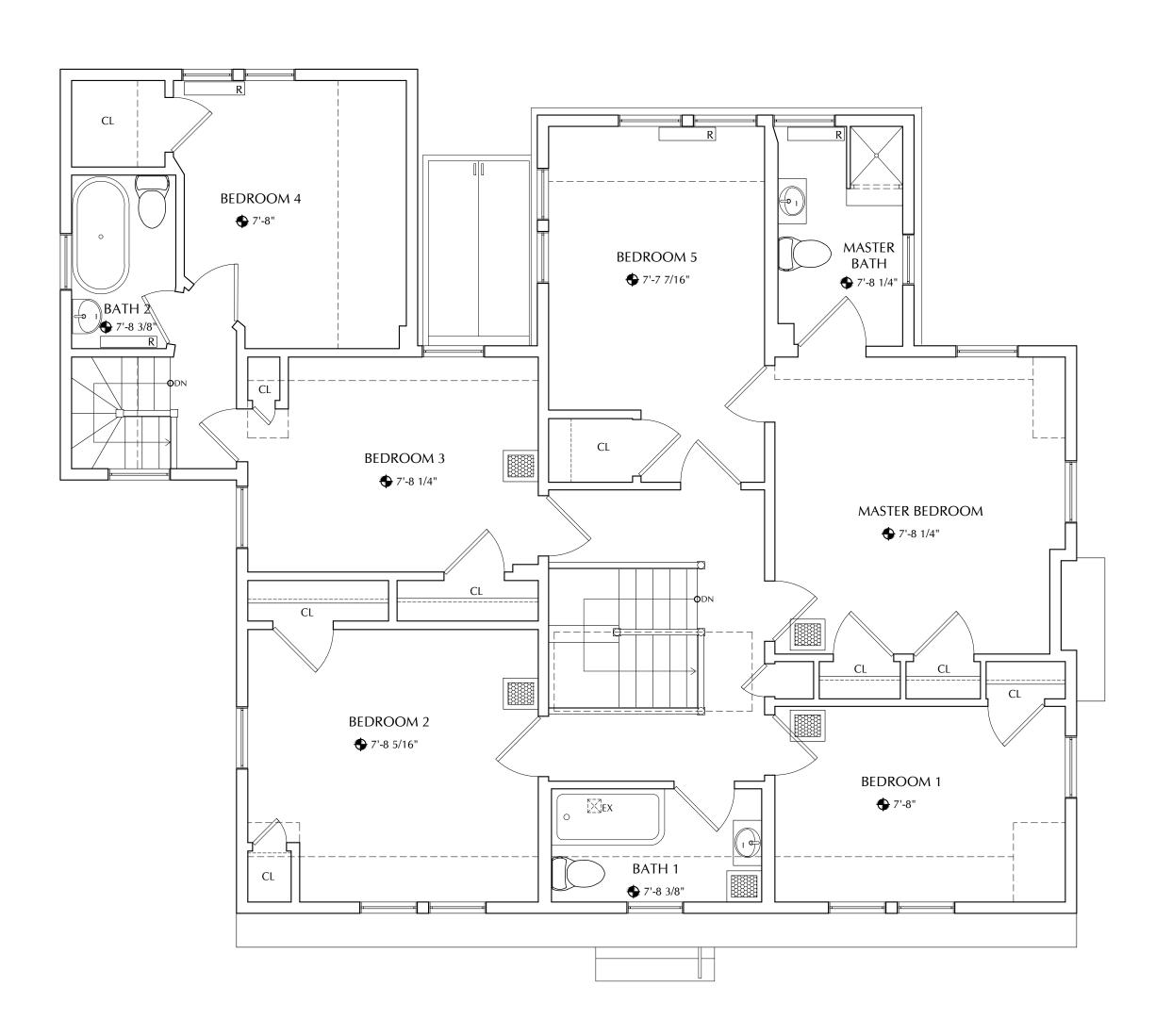
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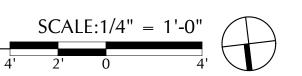
EXISTING FIRST FLOOR PLAN



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EXISTING SECOND FLOOR PLAN



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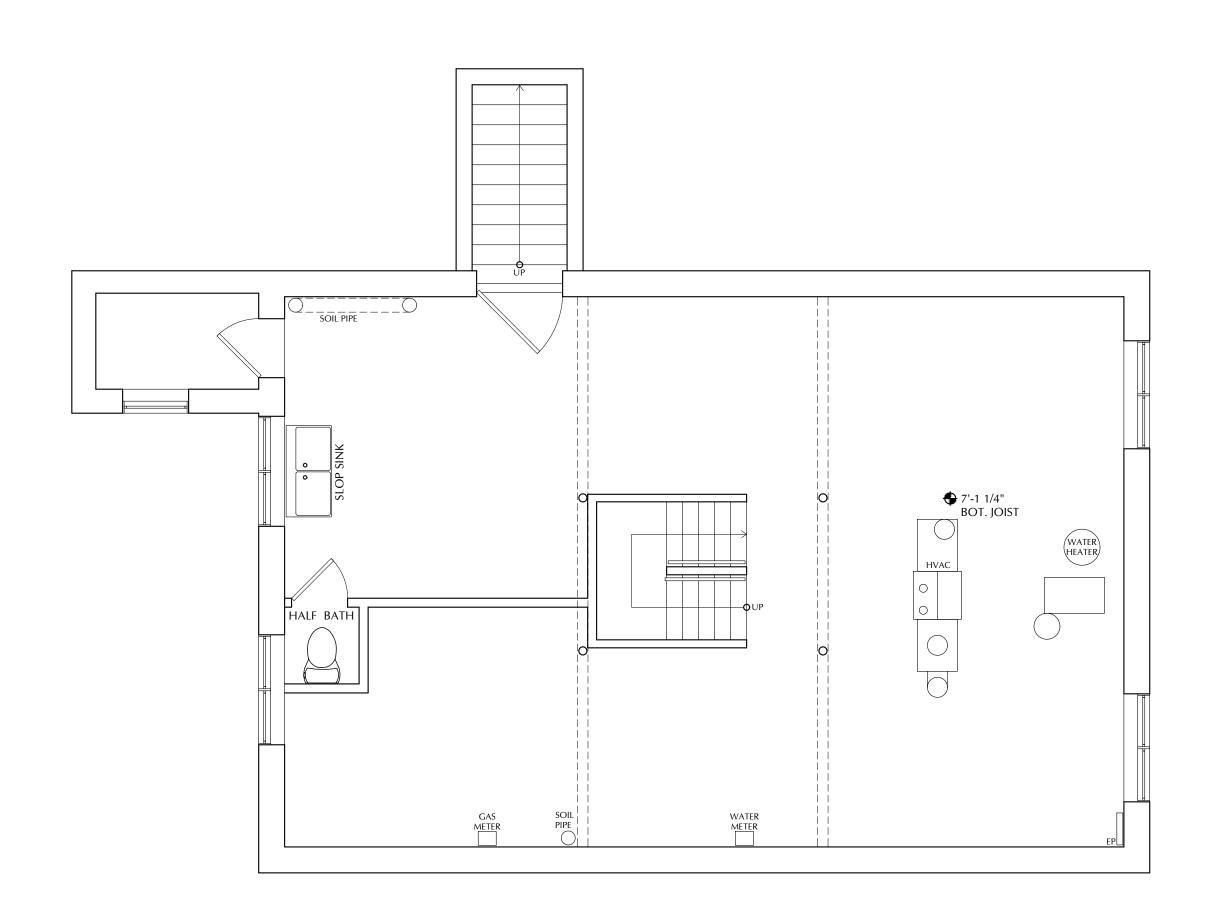
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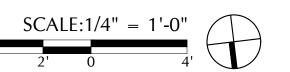


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1 EXISTING BASEMENT FLOOR PLAN



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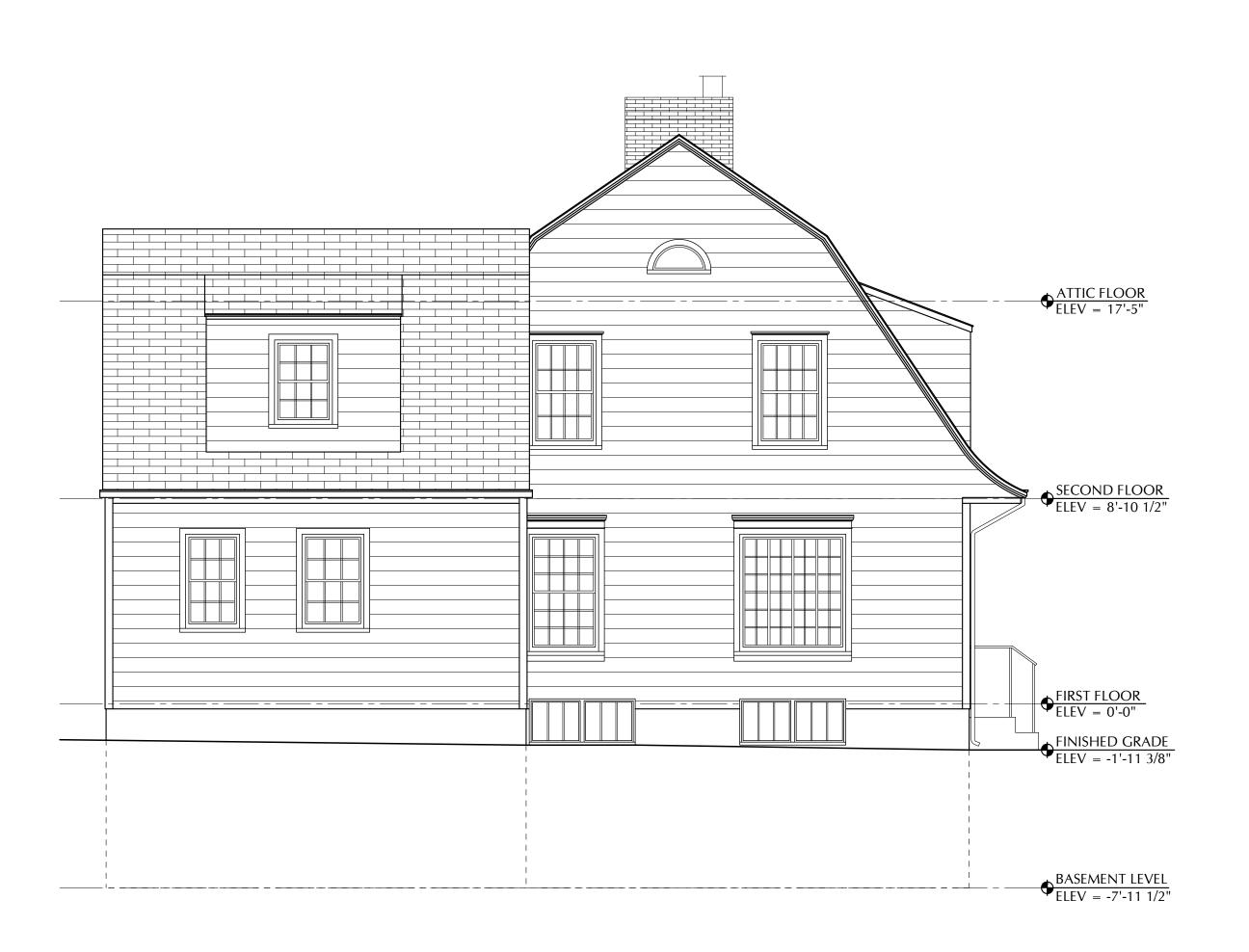
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EXISTING FRONT (NORTH) **ELEVATION**



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1 EXISTING SIDE (EAST) ELEVATION

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EXISTING SIDE (EAST) ELEVATION



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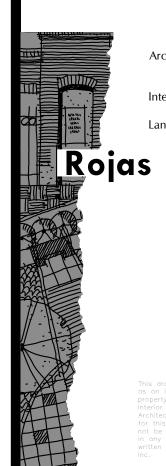
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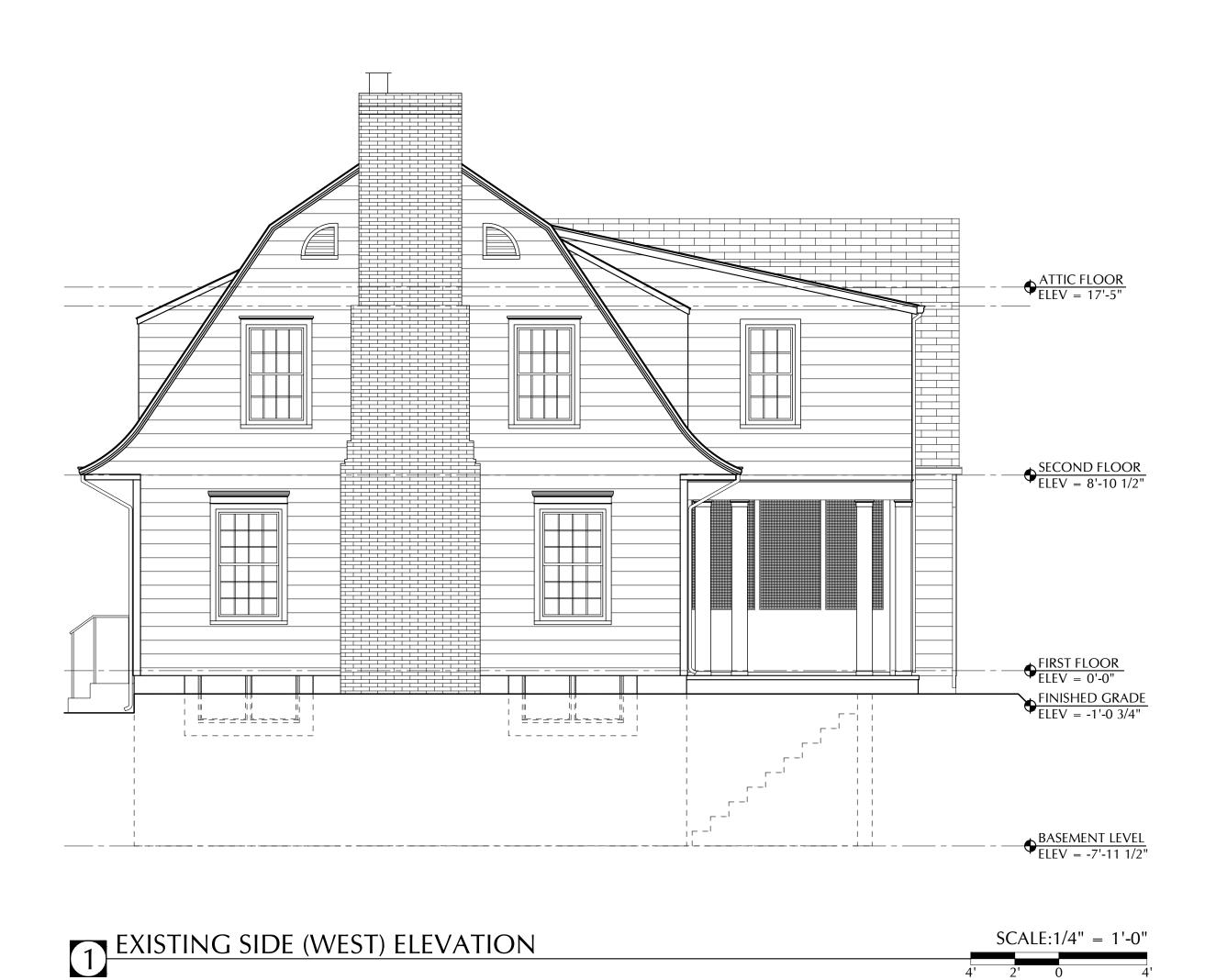
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EXISTING REAR (SOUTH) ELEVATION



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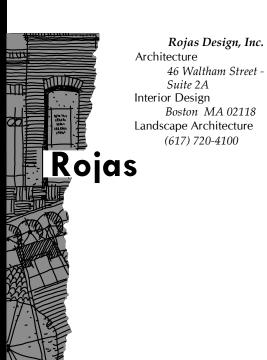
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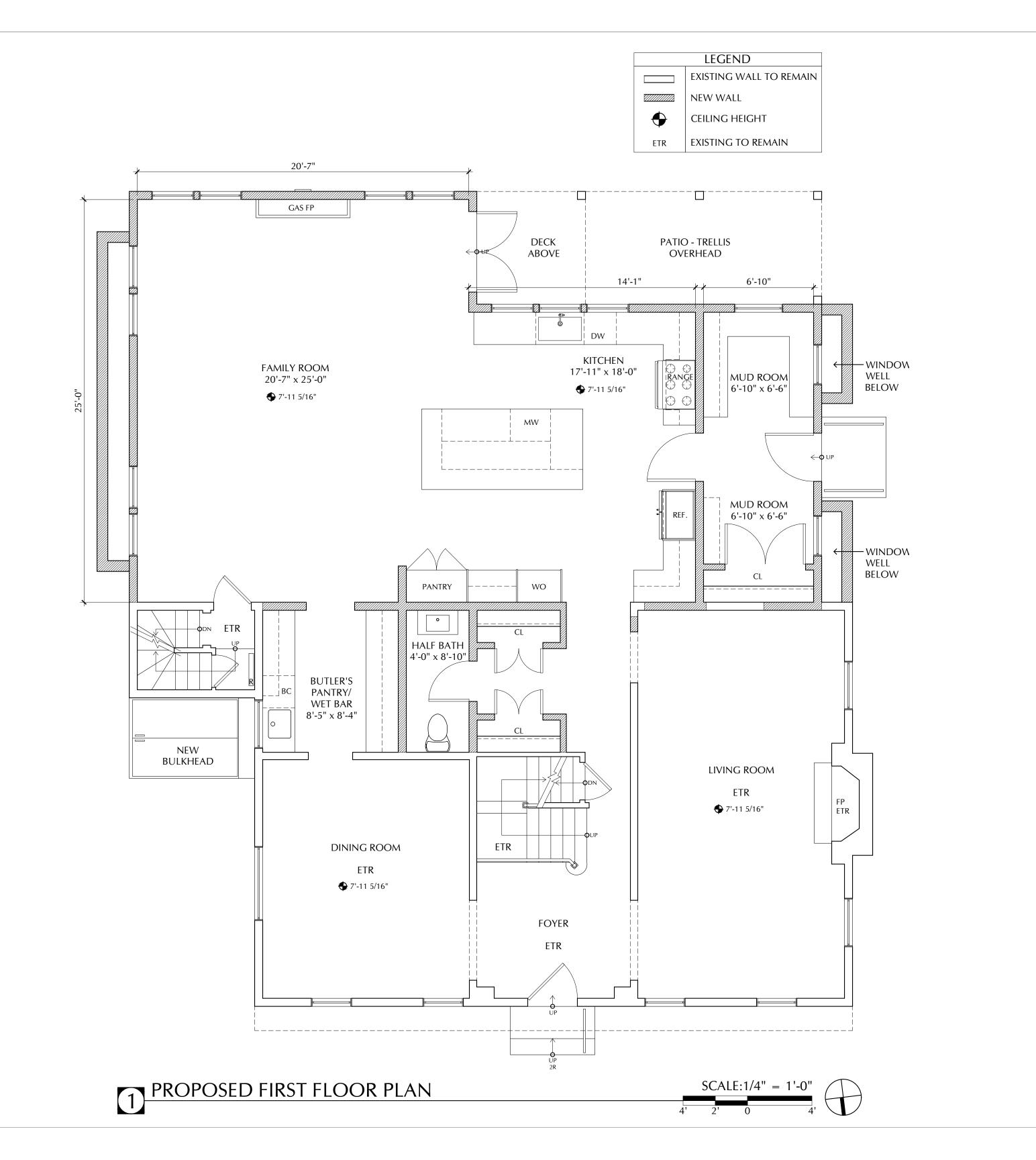
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EXISTING SIDE (WEST) **ELEVATION**



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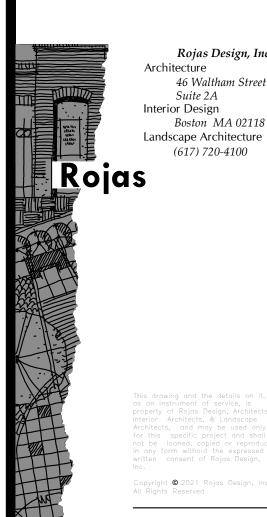
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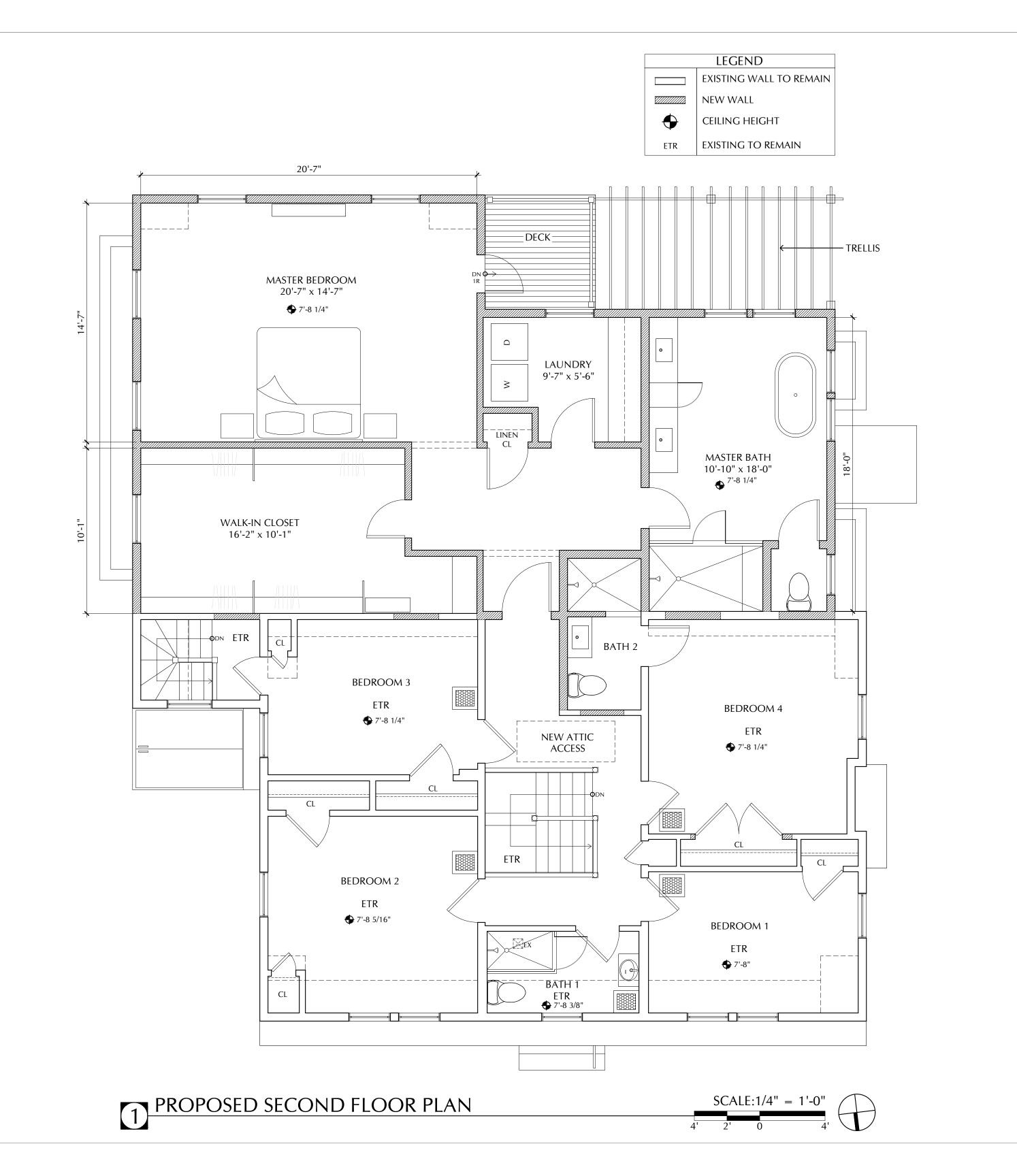
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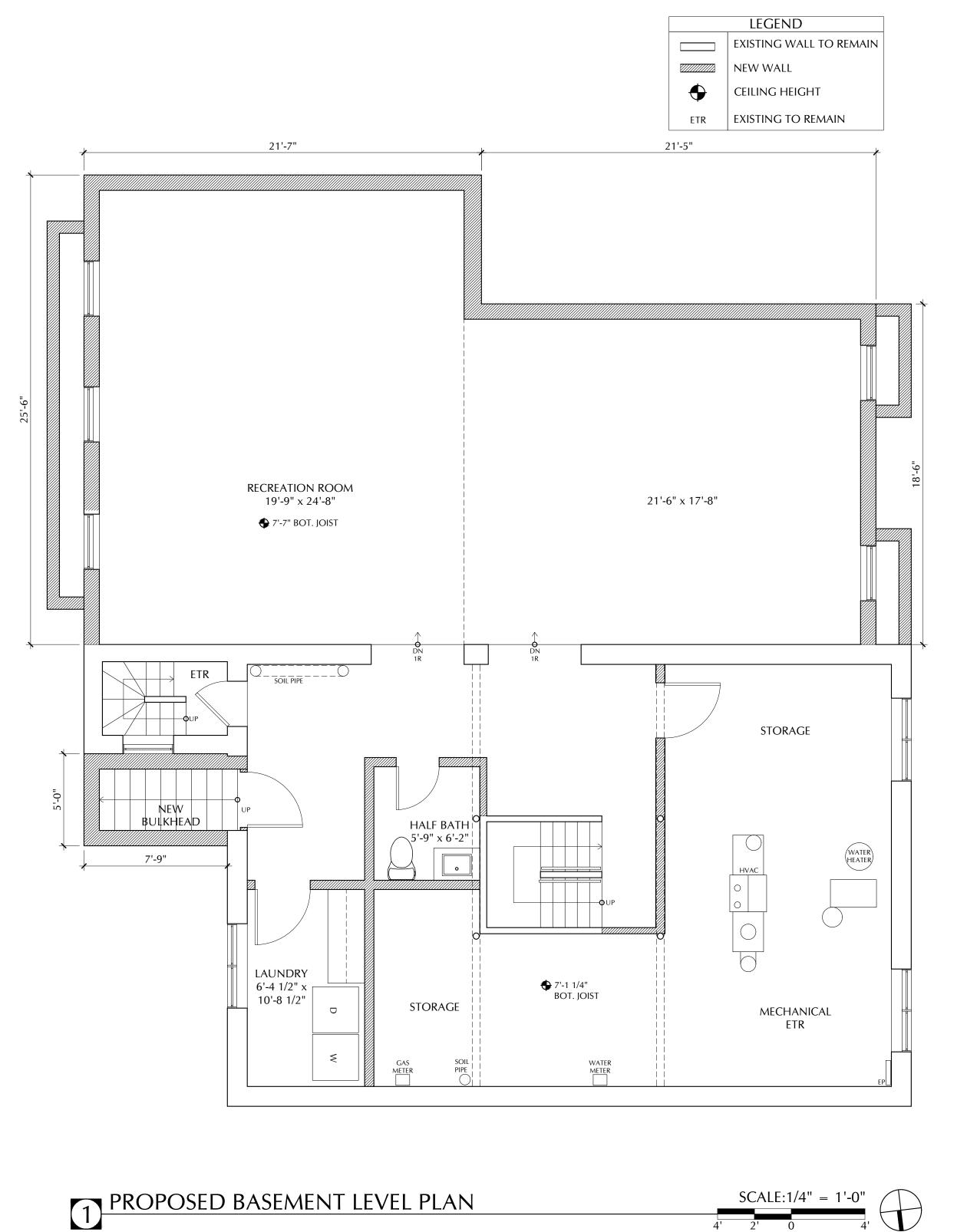
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PROPOSED SECOND FLOOR PLAN



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PROPOSED **BASEMENT** FLOOR PLAN





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PROPOSED FRONT (NORTH) ELEVATION



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PROPOSED SIDE (EAST) **ELEVATION**

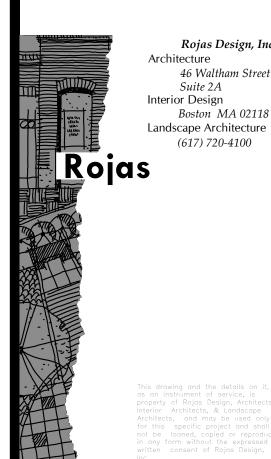
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PROPOSED REAR (SOUTH) ELEVATION SCALE: 1/4" = 1'-0" 41

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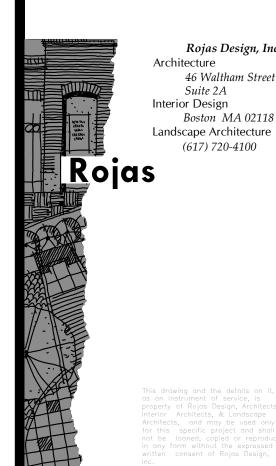
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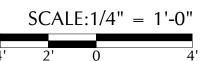
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PROPOSED SIDE (WEST) ELEVATION



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