Memorandum to the City of Markham Committee of Adjustment

August 15, 2022

File: A/072/22

Address: 10 Outlook Terrace Drive – Markham, ON

Applicant: Kiran Babu

Agent: Varatha Design Associates (Ken Varatha)

Hearing Date: August 24, 2022

The following comments are provided on behalf of the East District team. The applicant is requesting relief from the following requirements under By-law 177-96 as amended, "Residential Two Exception – (R2*133) Zone," as they relate to a proposed basement apartment. The requested variances are to permit:

a) <u>Section 6.5</u>:

an accessory dwelling unit, whereas the By-law permits no more than one dwelling unit on a lot;

b) Parking By-law 28-97, Section 3.0, Table A:

two parking spaces, whereas the By-law requires a minimum of three parking spaces; and

c) Parking By-law 28-97, Section 6.2.4.2 (b)(i)(b):

a minimum of 35.0% soft landscaping in the front yard, whereas the By-law requires a minimum of 40.0% soft landscaping provided in the front yard in the case of a lot with a lot frontage of 10.10 m (33.14 ft), or greater.

PROPERTY DESCRIPTION

10 Outlook Terrace Drive (the "Subject Property") is located on the north side of Outlook Terrace Drive, east of Alfred Paterson Drive, south of Bur Oak Avenue, and west of Ninth Line, within a residential neighbourhood predominantly comprised of a mix of low rise dwellings. Live-work units with at grade commercial uses front onto Bur Oak Avenue and Greensborough Circle, and schools, parks and accessible transit are also within close proximity to the Subject Property. The Subject Property is developed with a two-storey detached dwelling and attached garage. The garage and driveway area can accommodate a maximum of two legal sized parking spaces.

PROPOSAL

The applicant is requesting permission for an accessory dwelling unit to be located in the basement of the existing dwelling. The main entry points for the proposed secondary suite and main dwelling unit are located along the east side of the building. Associated variances relating to a reduction in the number of parking spaces, and reduction to the soft landscaping in the front yard are also requested.

OFFICIAL PLAN AND ZONING

Official Plan 2014 (partially approved on November 24/17, and updated on April 9/18) The Subject Property is designated "Residential Low Rise", which provides for a mix of low rise housing forms.

Zoning By-Law 177-96, as amended

The Subject Property is zoned "Residential Two Exception – (R2*133) Zone" under Bylaw 177-96 as amended, which permits one single detached dwelling per lot. The proposed development does not comply with the maximum number of dwelling units permitted on a lot.

Parking Standards By-law 28-97 (the "Parking By-law)

The proposed development also does not comply with the Parking By-law requirement with respect to the minimum number of parking spaces.

ZONING PRELIMINARY REVIEW (ZPR) UNDERTAKEN

The owner has completed a ZPR on July 18, 2022 to confirm the variances required for the proposed development.

COMMENTS

The *Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. P.13, as amended* states that four tests must be met in order for a variance to be granted by the Committee of Adjustment (the "Committee"):

- a) The variance must be minor in nature;
- b) The variance must be desirable, in the opinion of the Committee, for the appropriate development or use of land, building or structure;
- c) The general intent and purpose of the Zoning By-law must be maintained;
- d) The general intent and purpose of the Official Plan must be maintained.

Secondary Suite and Reduction in Number of Parking Spaces

Staff are satisfied that the proposed development meets the criteria under <u>Section 8.13.8</u> of the Official Plan for the establishment of a secondary suite, and support its approval in accordance with the requirements under Section 16(3) of the *Planning Act*.

The associated parking reduction may be considered "self regulating", as the accessory dwelling unit would only be of interest to an occupant that does not require a parking space, in the event that both parking spaces are required for use by the owner of the dwelling. Additionally, the property is within proximity to accessible transit routes located at various intersections along Ninth Line. Staff are of the opinion that the associated parking reduction is minor in nature and appropriately maintains the general intent of the By-law.

The applicant should be aware that overnight parking is not permitted on residential streets in Markham, unless a permit or exemption is obtained through the City's Overnight Street Parking Request.

Reduction in Soft Landscaping

The applicant is also requesting a minimum of 35.0% soft landscaping in the front yard, whereas the By-law requires that a minimum of 40.0% soft landscaping be provided in the front yard in the case of a lot with a lot frontage of 10.10 m (33.14 ft), or greater.

The variance is attributable to the proposed walkway, and existing driveway. If approved, the walkway would serve as a logical extension connecting the driveway area to the proposed main entry points for each unit located along the exterior side yard. Staff are of the opinion that the reduction in soft landscaping is minor in nature, and appropriate for this lot.

PUBLIC INPUT SUMMARY

No written submissions were received as of August 15, 2022. Additional information may be received after the writing of this report, and the Secretary-Treasurer will provide information on this at the meeting.

CONCLUSION

Planning staff have reviewed the application with respect to Section 45(1) of the *Planning Act*, and are of the opinion that the variance requests meets the four tests. Staff recommend that the Committee consider public input in reaching a decision. The onus is ultimately on the applicant to demonstrate how they satisfy the tests of the *Planning Act* required for the granting of minor variances.

APPENDICES

Appendix "A" – Conditions of Approval Appendix "B" – Plans

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Stacia Muradali, MCIP, RPP

Development Manager, East District

APPENDIX "A" CONDITIONS TO BE ATTACHED TO ANY APPROVAL OF FILE A/072/22

- 1. The variance applies only to the proposed development for as long as it remains.
- 2. That the variance applies only to the proposed development, in substantial conformity with the plans attached as Appendix "B" to this Staff Report, and that the Secretary-Treasurer receive written confirmation from the Director of Planning and Urban Design or designate that this condition has been fulfilled to his or her satisfaction.
- 3. That the owner submit, if required by the Chief Building Official, a third-party report prepared by an architect or professional engineer licensed in the Province of Ontario, to assess compliance of existing construction with the provisions of the Ontario Building Code, and in particular relating to the change of use from a dwelling containing a single suite to a dwelling containing more than one suite.

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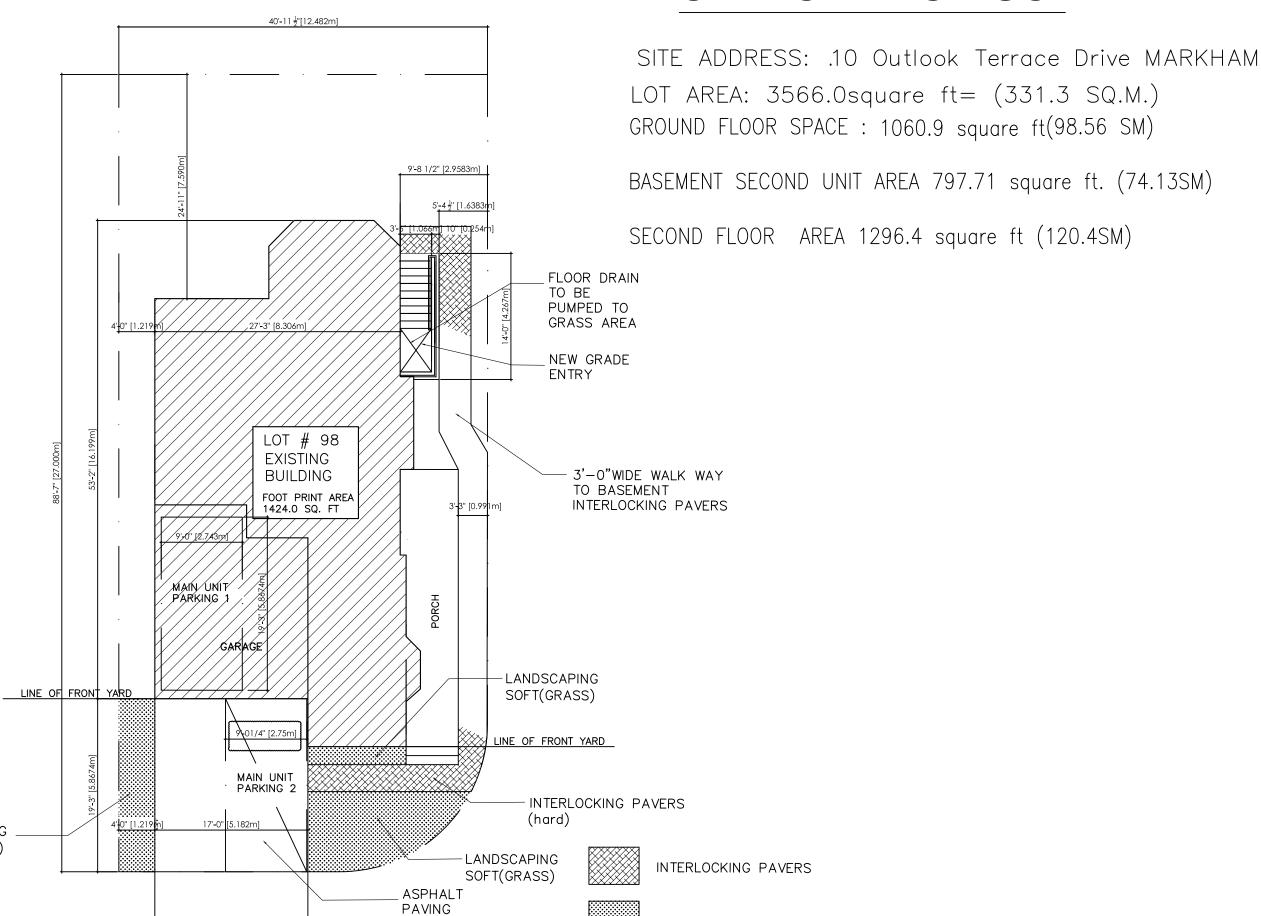
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APPENDIX "B" PLANS TO BE ATTACHED TO ANY APPROVAL OF FILE A/072/22

Appendix B

SITE STATISTICS:





SCALE: 3/32" = 1'-0"

LANDSCAPING SOFT(GRASS)

OUTLOOK TERRCE

EXIST. CURB CUT



GRASS

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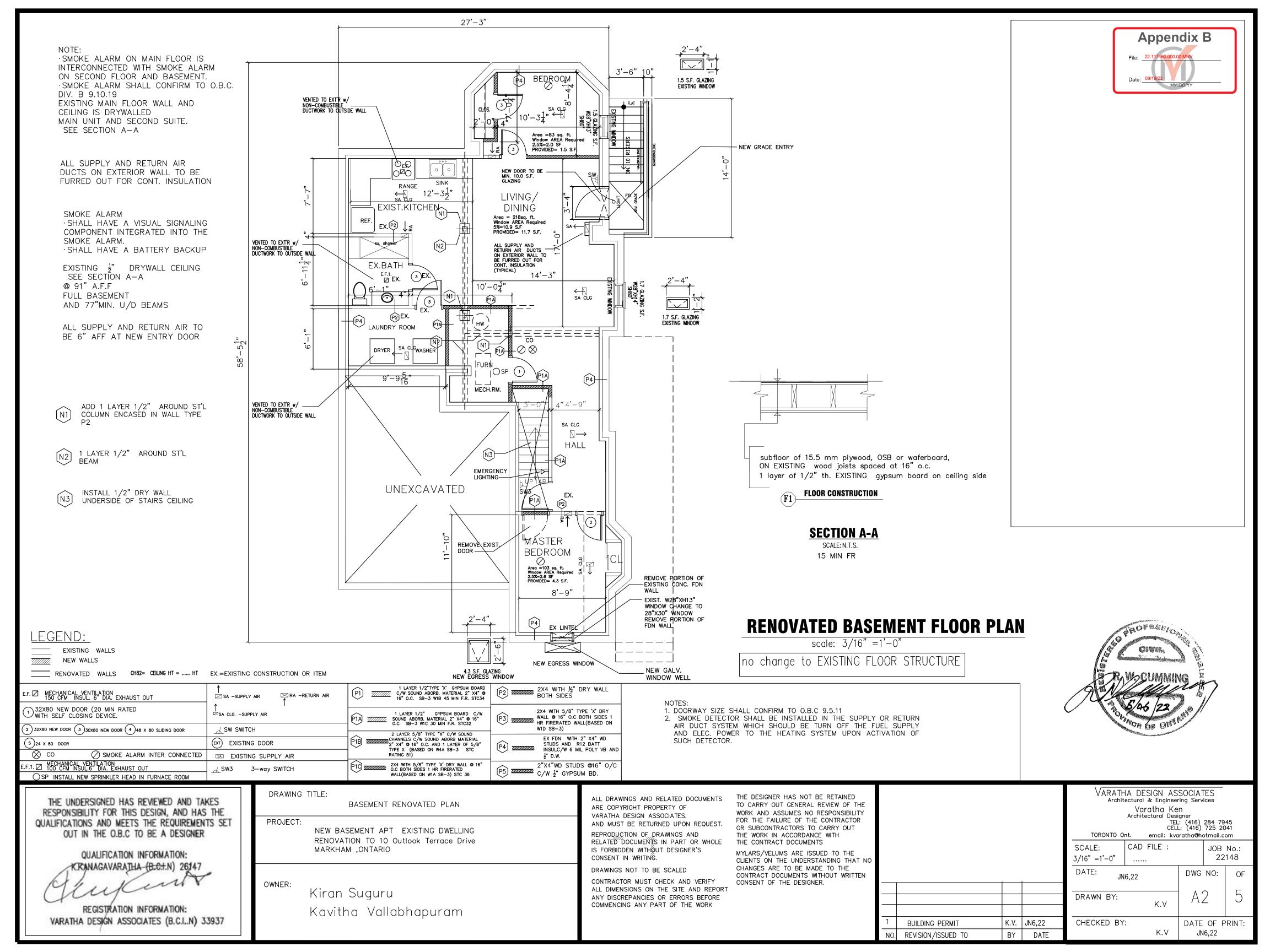
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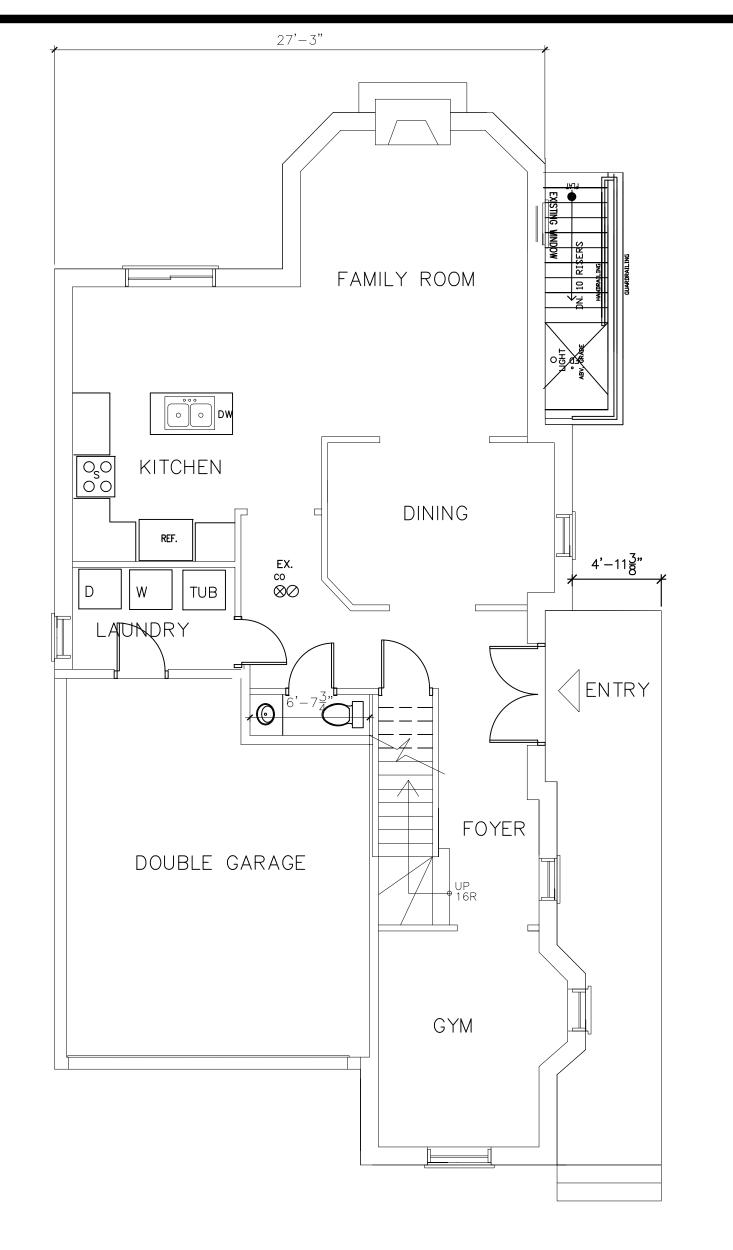
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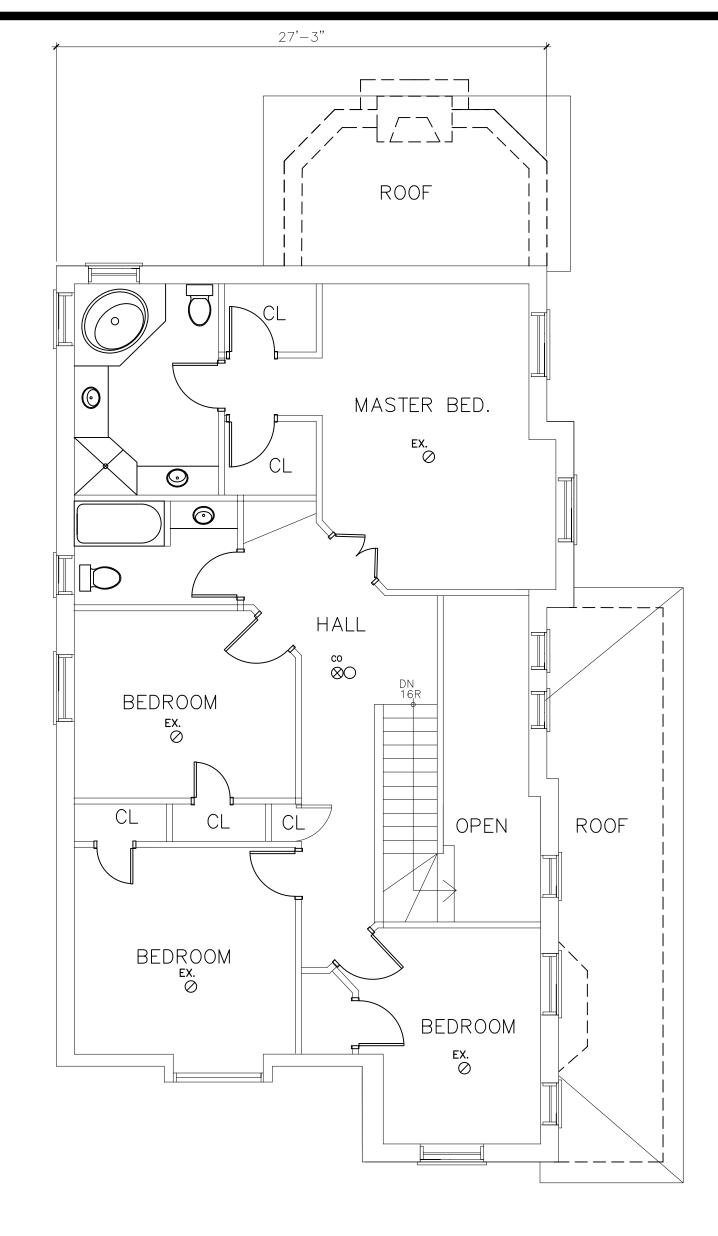
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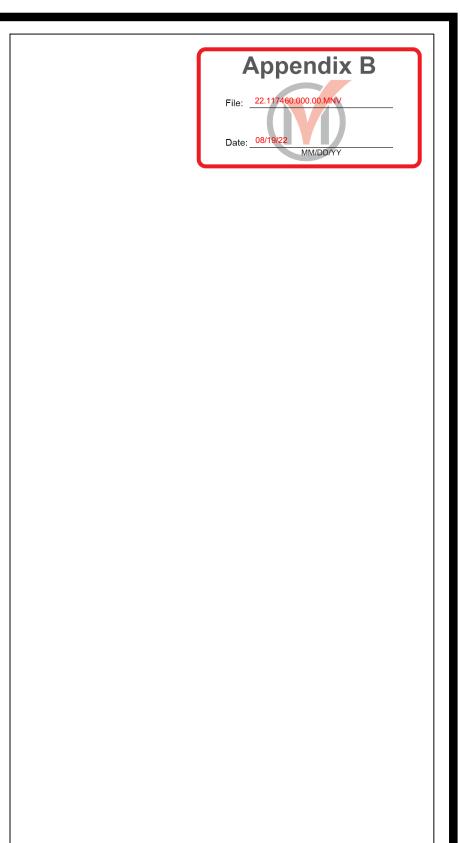
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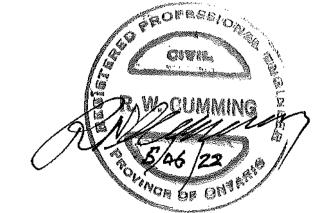
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SECOND FLOOR PLAN

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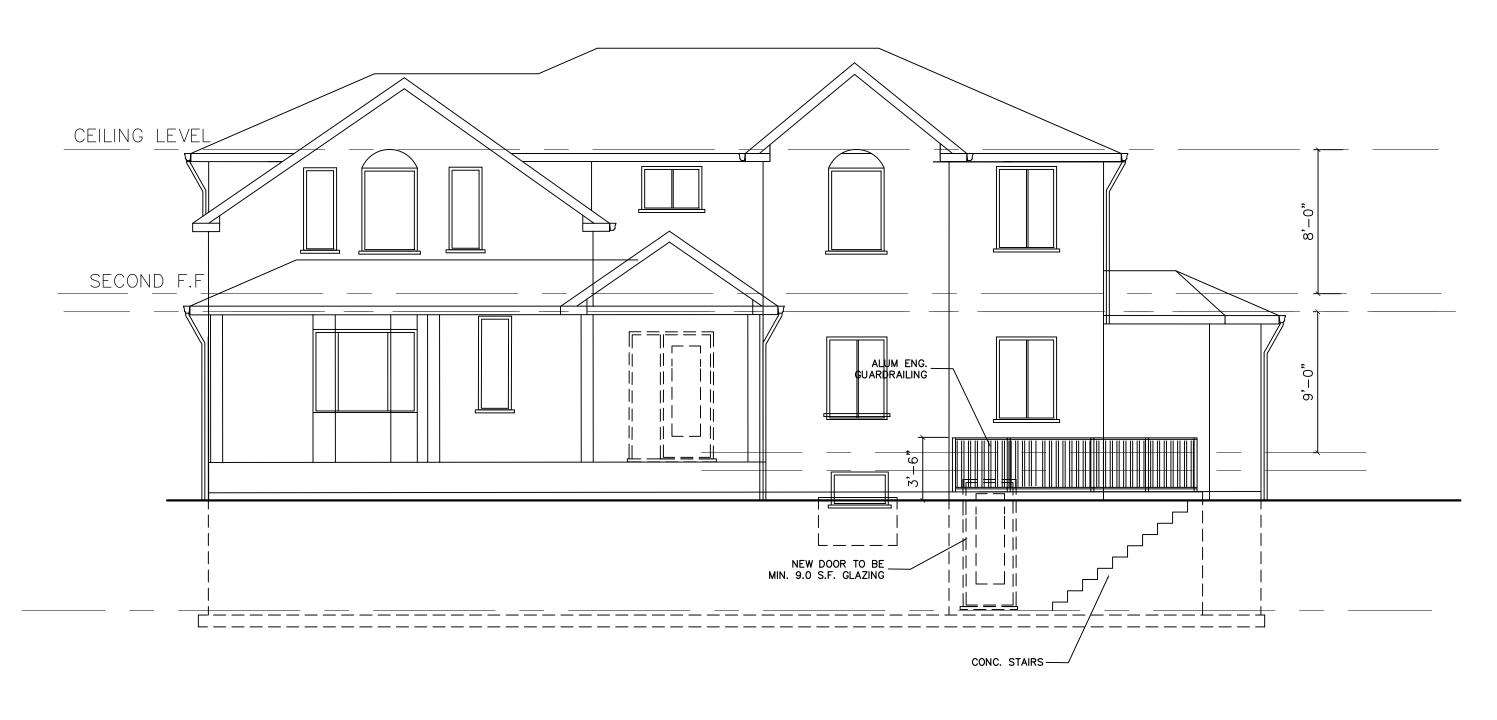
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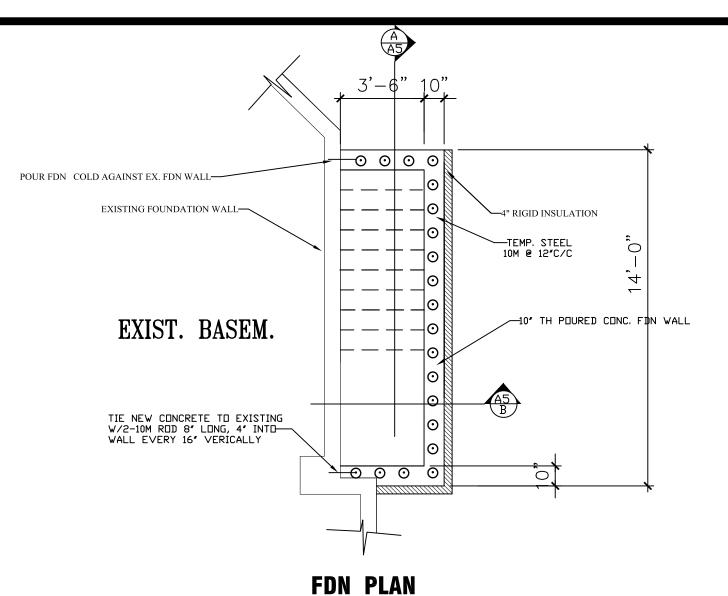
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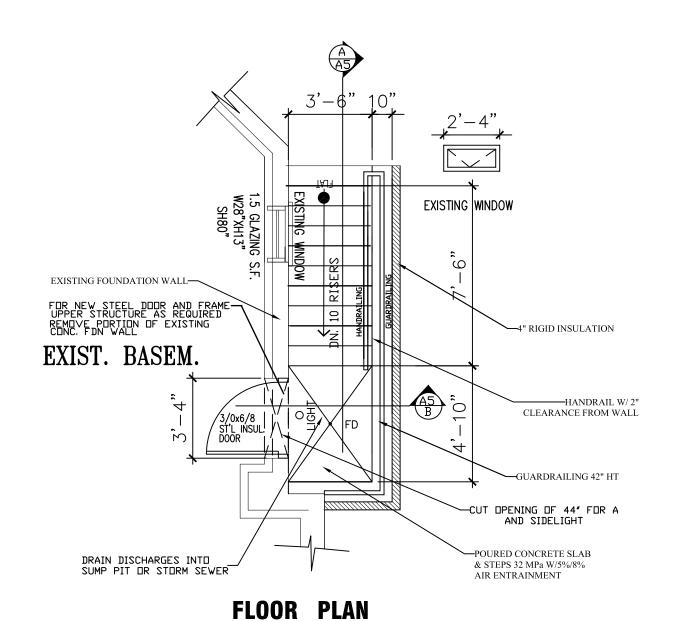
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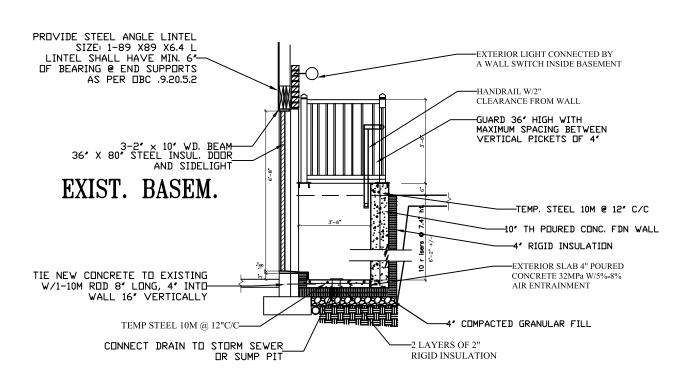
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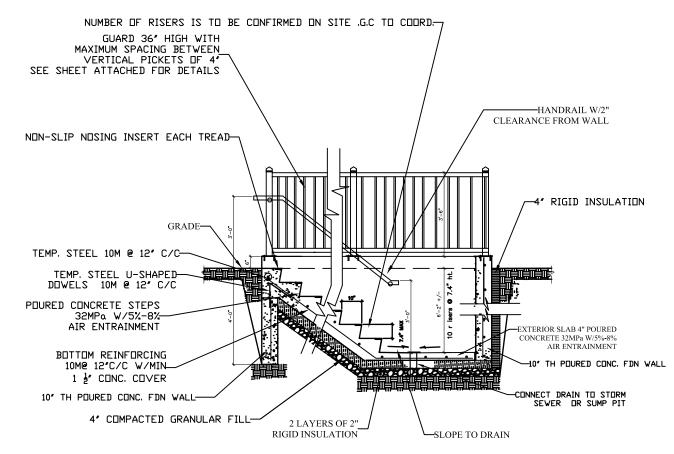
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GENERAL NOTES:

1. WORKGAANSHIP AND MATERIALS SHALL BE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE ONTARIO BUILDING CODE (OBC) AND LOCAL REGULATIONS

3. FOOTINGS SHALL BEAR ON SOIL CAPABLE OF SUSTAINING AN ALLOWABLE BEARING PRESSURE OF 2000 PSF

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