Charlotte Historic District Commission

Staff Review HDC 2013-189

Application for a Certificate of Appropriateness

Date: December 11, 2013

LOCAL HISTORIC DISTRICT: Dilworth

ADDRESS OF PROPERTY: 723 East Worthington Avenue

SUMMARY OF REQUEST: Porch Enclosure, Addition, and New Construction (Garage)

OWNER: Edward Vinson

APPLICANT: Edward Vinson

Details of Proposed Request

Existing Conditions

The subject property is 1.5 story Bungalow with wood shingle siding, cross gabled roof, and decorative joists. The c. 1925 house is listed as a Contributing structure.

Proposal

The proposed projects are a conversion of the rear screened porch to a liveable space, addition of a mud room, and construction of a new carriage house. The rear porch enclosure is not visible from the street.

The proposed addition of a mud room is located to the side of the rear porch and partially visible from the street. The exteriror materials and trim details would match the existing house.

The proposed carriage house/garage possesses details from the principal structure such as exterior materials, post-pier design, window design and cross gable roof. The structure is smaller in scale to the principal dwelling.

Policy & Design Guidelines for Enclosure of Existing Porches (Page 43)

Porches are an important part of the residential sections of older neighborhoods. The Historic District Commission strongly discourages porch enclosures in an effort to maintain the design integrity of both individual buildings and the overall streetscape in historic districts.

- 1. All proposals for the enclosure of all or any part of a front, side or rear porch which are substantially visible from a street will be reviewed by the full Historic District Commission.
- 2. It is not appropriate to enclose a front porch or balcony on the front of an historic building. The full enclosure of a front porch is not allowed.
- 3. Front porch enclosures that reorient the entrance away from the street elevation of a building are not allowed.
- 4. Enclosure of side porches and balconies is discouraged. If enclosure of a side porch or balcony is required for a new use, the enclosure should be designed to ensure that the historic character and features of the porch are preserved.

5. All porch enclosures must be plausibly reversible. Permanent elements that could preclude the reversibility of the enclosed porch are not allowed.

Policy & Design Guidelines for Additions

All additions will be reviewed for compatibility by the following criteria:		
a. Size	the relationship of the project to its site	
b. Scale	the relationship of the building to those around it	
c. Massing	the relationship of the building's various parts to each other	
d. Fenestration	the placement, style and materials of windows and doors	
e. Rhythm	the relationship of fenestration, recesses and projections	
f. Setback	in relation to setback of immediate surroundings	
g. Materials	proper historic materials or approved substitutes	
h. Context	the overall relationship of the project to its surroundings	

- 2. Additions must respect the original character of the property, but must be distinguishable from the original construction.
- 3. All additions to the fornt or side of existing properties must be of a design that is sensitive to the character and massing of the existing structure.
- 4. Additions to the front or side of existing structures that are substantially visible from a street must go before the full Commission.

Policy & Design Guidelines for Garages/New Construction

- 1. New garages cannot be located in front or side yards.
- 2. New garages must be constructed using materials and finishes that are in keeping with the main building they serve, and that are appropriate to the district.
- 3. Designs for new garages must be inspired by the main building they serve. Building details should be derived from the main structure.
- 4. Garages must be of a proper scale for the property, and must have an appropriate site relation to the main structure on a lot and to structures on surrounding properties.
- 5. Garage doors that are substantially visible from any street must be of a style and materials that are appropriate to the building and the district. Stamped metal and vinyl doors are considered to be inappropriate, and are discouraged.

All New Construction Projects Will Be Evaluated For Compatibility By The Following Criteria		
1. Size	the relationship of the project to its site	
2. Scale	the relationship of the building to those around it	
3. Massing	the relationship of the building's various parts to each other	
4. Fenestration	the placement, style and materials of windows and doors	
5. Rhythm	the relationship of fenestration, recesses and projections	
6. Setback	in relation to setback of immediate surroundings	
7. Materials	proper historic materials or approved substitutes	
8. Context	the overall relationship of the project to its surroundings	
9. Landscaping	as a tool to soften and blend the project with the district	

Staff Analysis

I. Porch Enclosure

1. The Commission should consider the ability to reverse the porch enclosure.

II. Addition

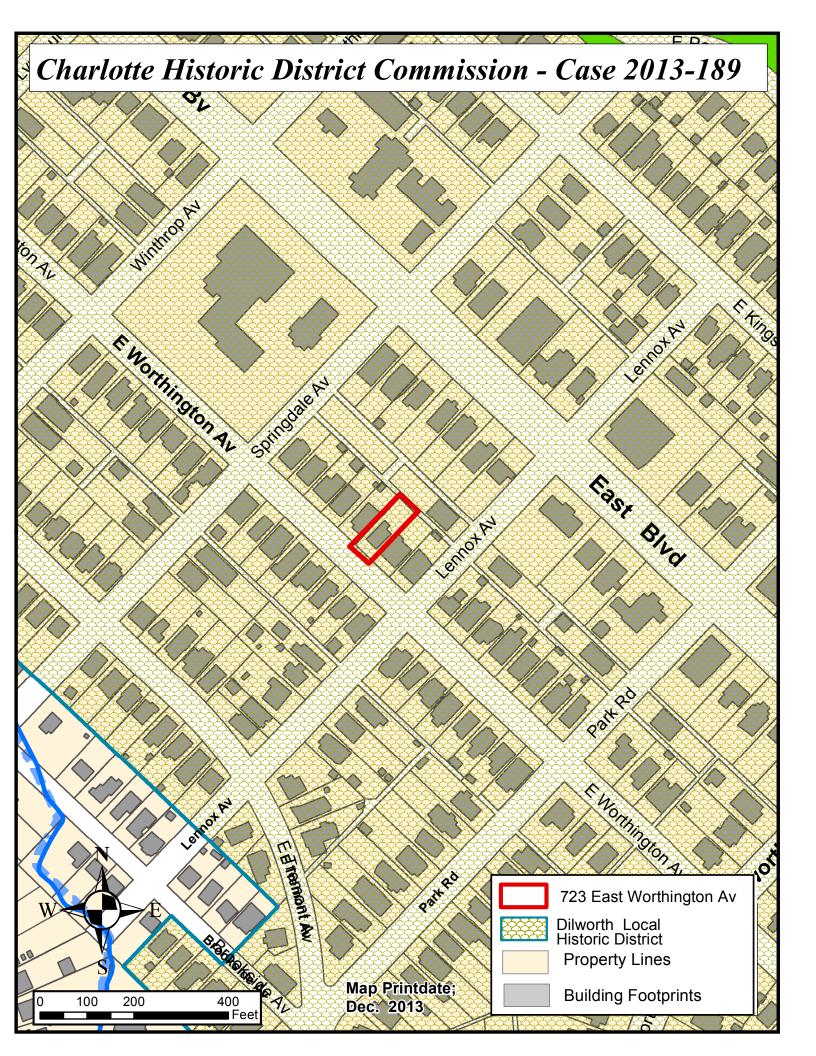
The following Guidelines should be considered for the side addition:

- 1. Fenestration Front elevation
- 2. Rhythm

Staff believes the addition meets Guideliens for Size, Scale. Massing, Setback, Materials, and Context.

III. Garage

Staff believes the addition meets all applicable Guideliens.



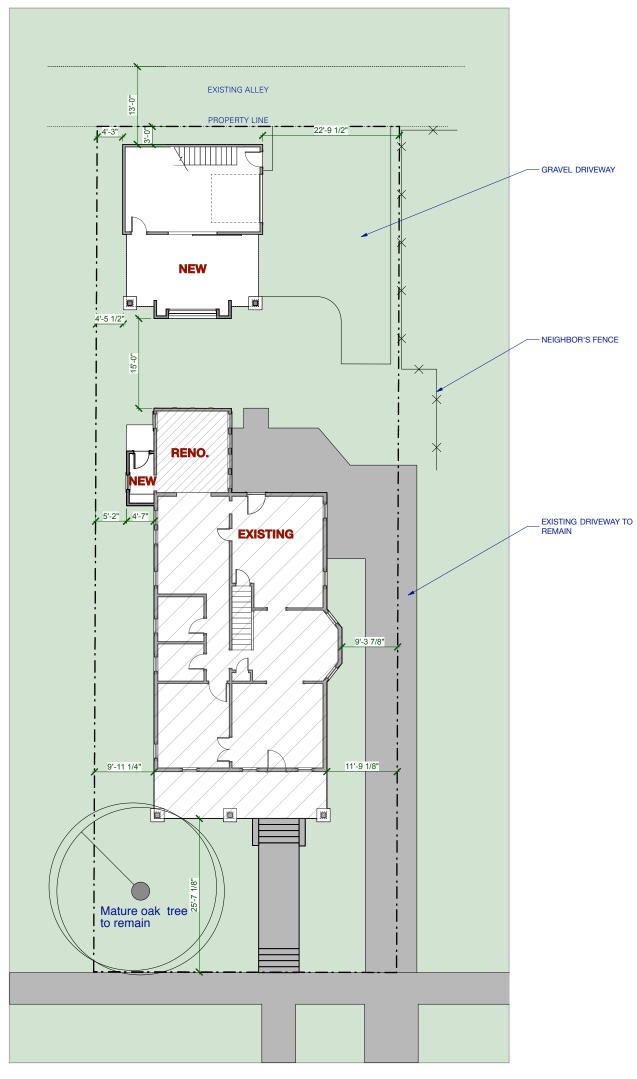




NOTES:

Site plan information taken from survey by Andrew G. Zoutewelle. Dated November 19th 2003

No mature trees to be affected or



EAST WORTHINGTON AVENUE 60'



Proposed Site Plan

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Existing Left Neighbors

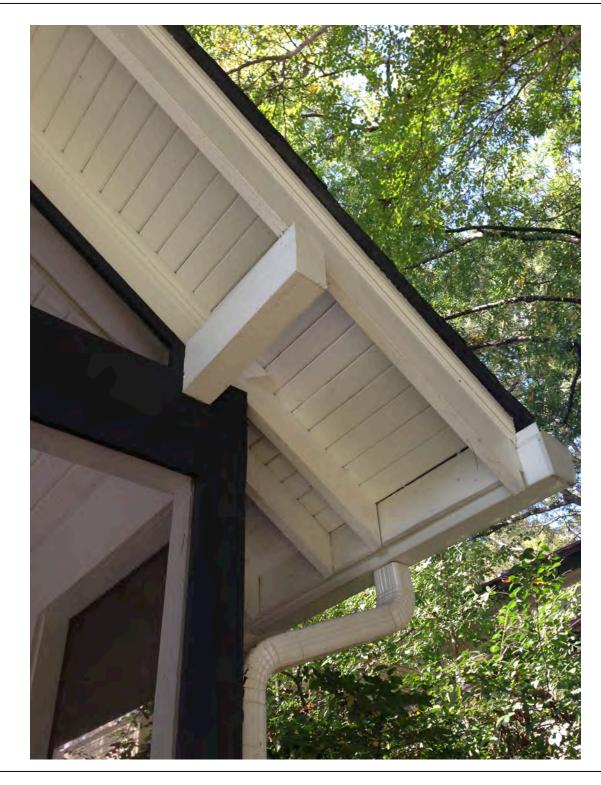
Existing Front Elevation

Existing Right Neighbors

Context







Existing Materials and Details

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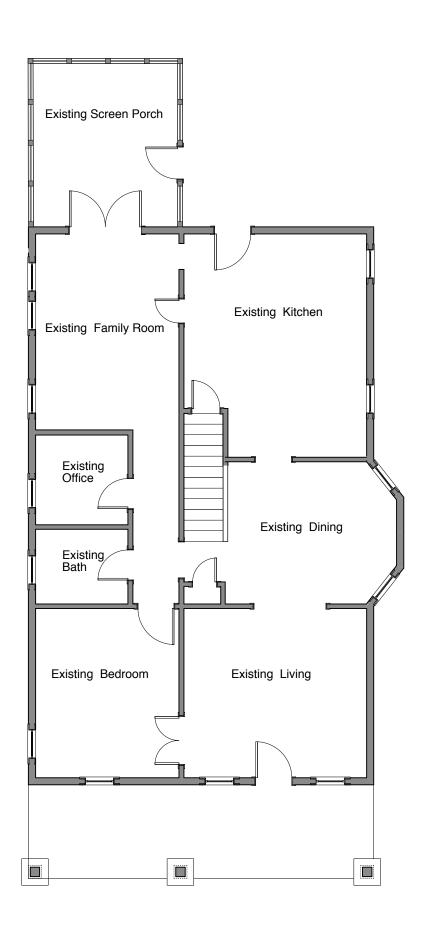
Existing Rear View

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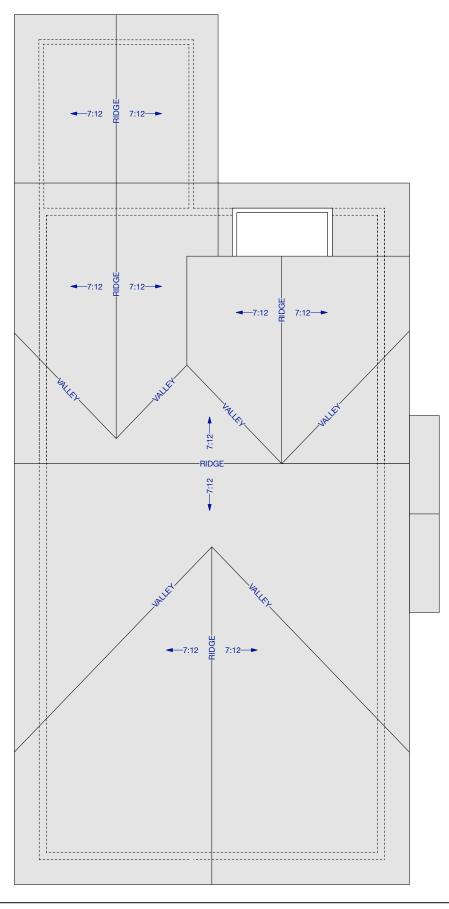
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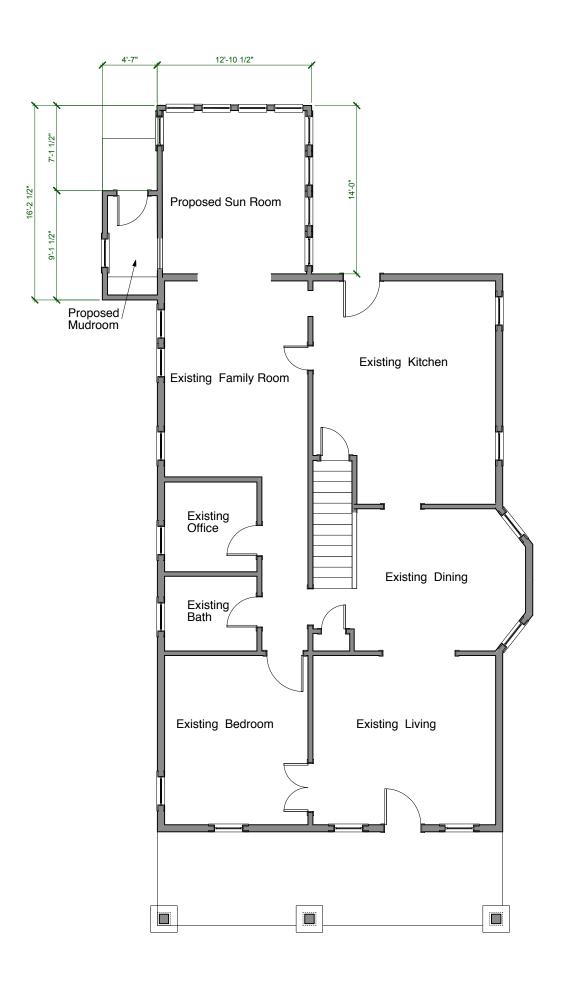




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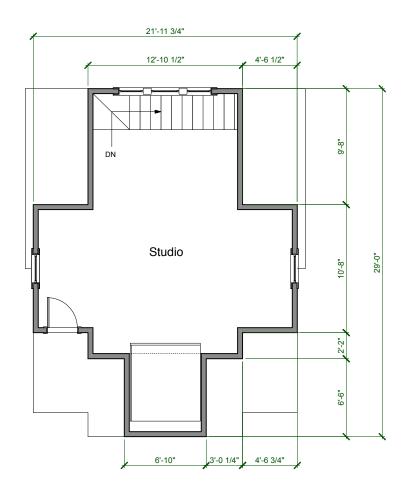


Existing Roof Plan

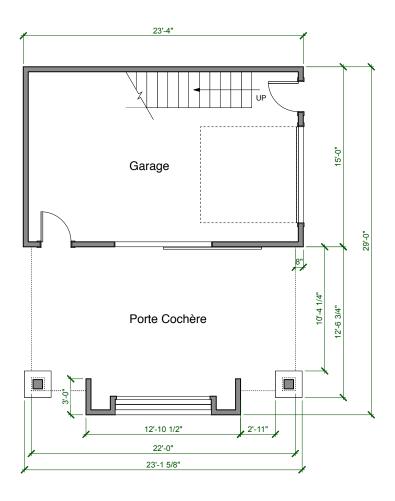




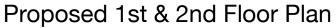
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2nd Floor Plan



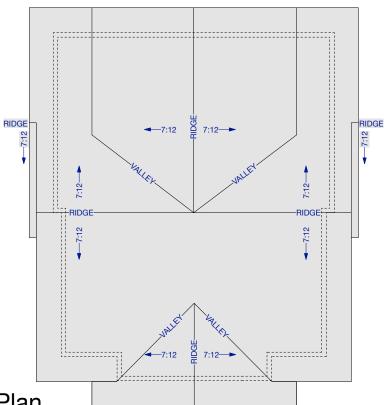
1st Floor Plan



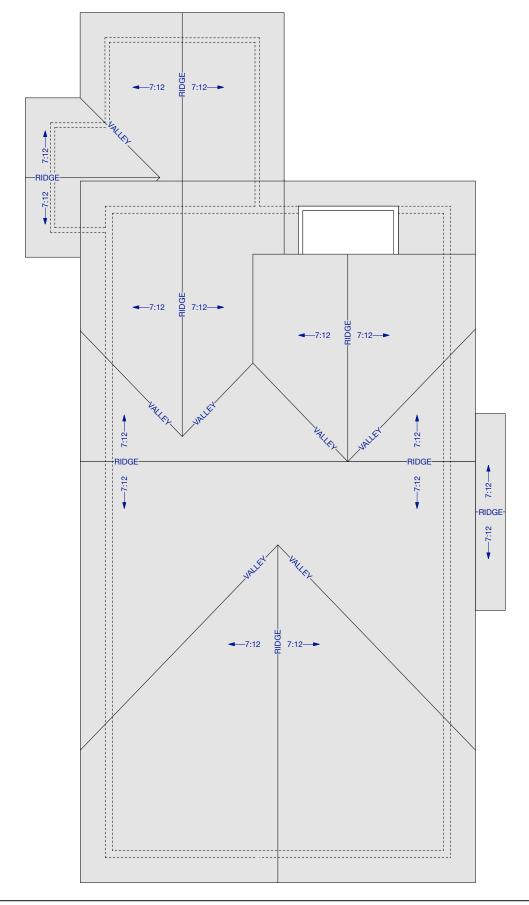




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Proposed Carriage Roof Plan



Proposed Roof Plan

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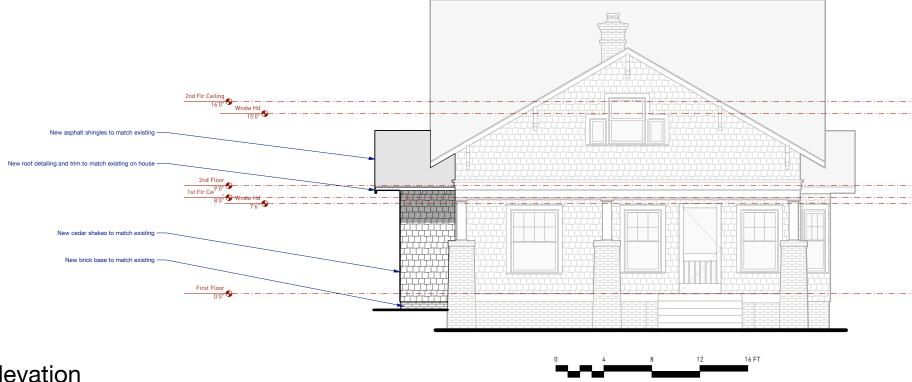




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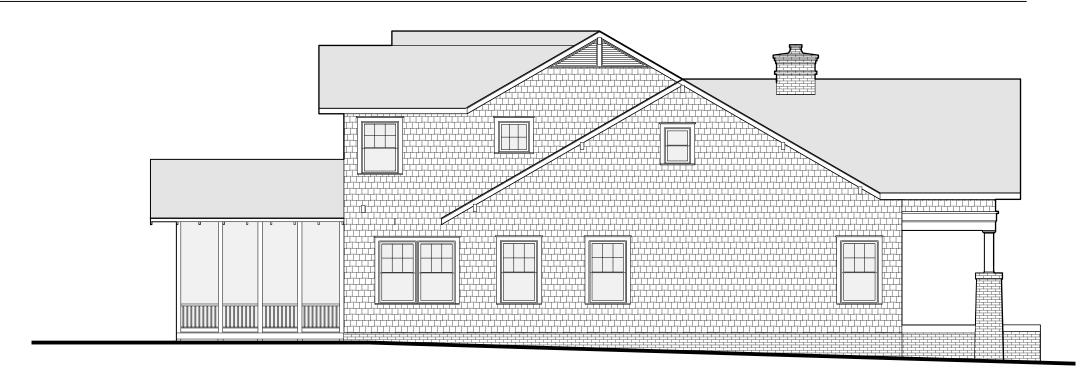


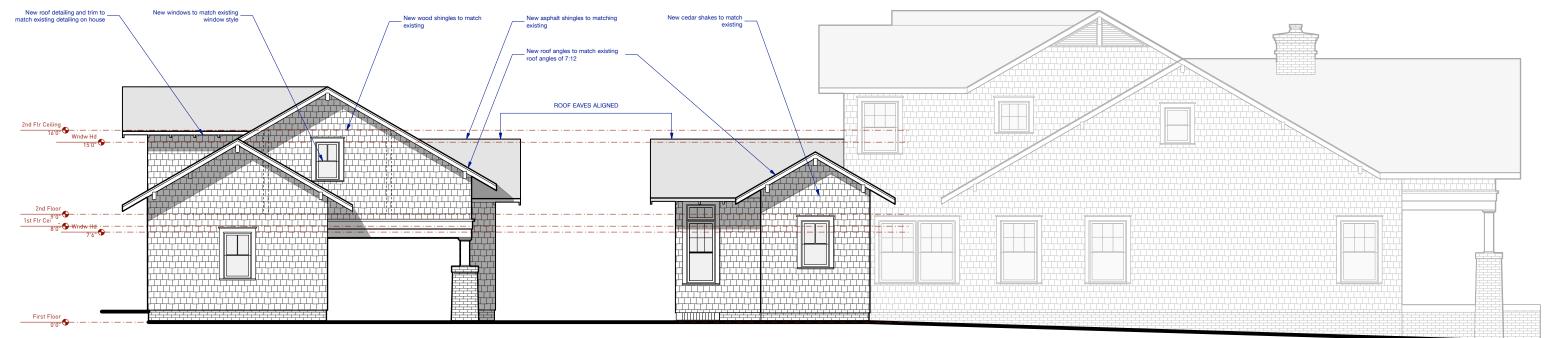
Proposed Front Elevation

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Proposed Left Elevation



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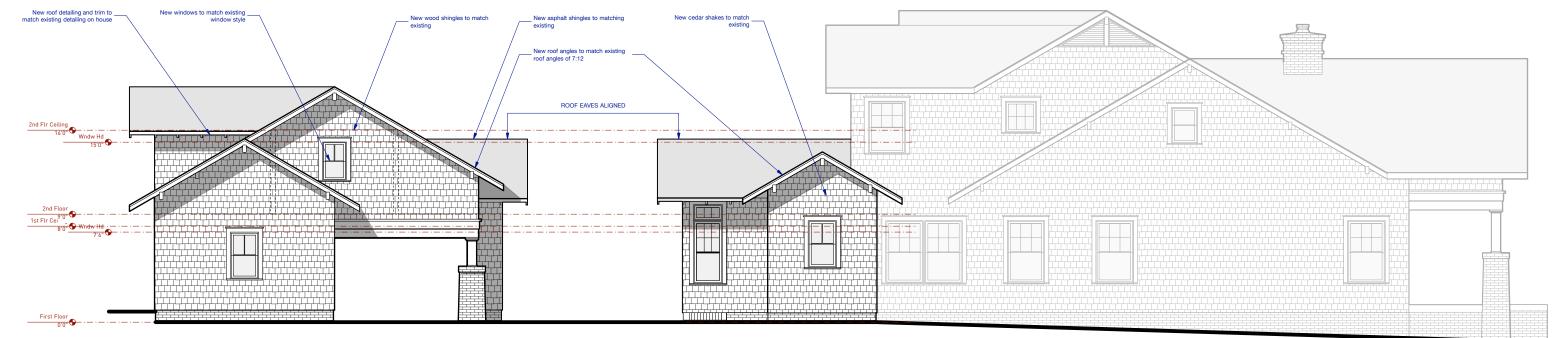












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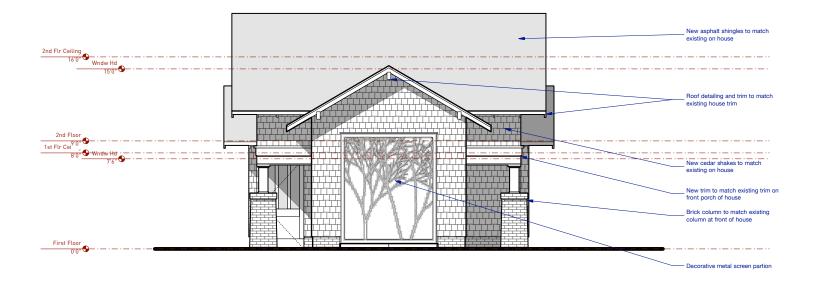
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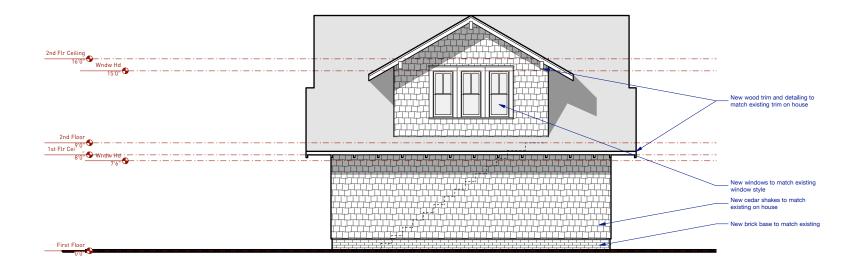




Proposed Carriage House Front Elevation







Proposed Carriage House Rear Elevation



