Charlotte Historic District Commission Staff Review HDC 2015-282 Application for a Certificate of Appropriateness

Date: January 13, 2016

PID# 11910308

LOCAL HISTORIC DISTRICT: Wilmore

PROPERTY ADDRESS: 1556 Merriman Avenue

SUMMARY OF REQUEST: New Construction

APPLICANT/OWNER: Jason Murphy

Details of Proposed Request

Existing Context

The existing site is a vacant lot that slopes from front to back. Adjacent structures are multi-family and single family residences of various height and design. Setbacks along the street vary between 23'-27' approximately.

Proposal

The proposal is a 1.5 story single family home. The proposed front setback is approximately 26 feet from the right of way and the height from finished floor to ridge is +/- 20'-6". Siding materials are brick and wood. Windows are wood Simulated True Divided Light (STDL). Other features include eave brackets, wood trim and a rear dormer.

Policy & Design Guidelines for New Construction, page 34

New construction in Local Historic Districts has an obligation to blend in with the historic character and scale of the Local Historic District in which it is located. Designs for infill projects and other new construction within designated Local Historic Districts must be designed with the surroundings in mind. The Historic District Commission will not specify a particular architectural style or design for new construction projects. The scale, mass and size of a building are often far more important than the decorative details applied. However, well designed stylistic and decorative elements, as well as building materials and landscaping, can give new construction projects the attributes necessary to blend in with the district, while creating a distinctive character for the building. New construction projects in Local Historic Districts must be appropriate to their surroundings.

The Historic District Commission will review the building details for all new construction as part of their evaluation of new construction project proposals.

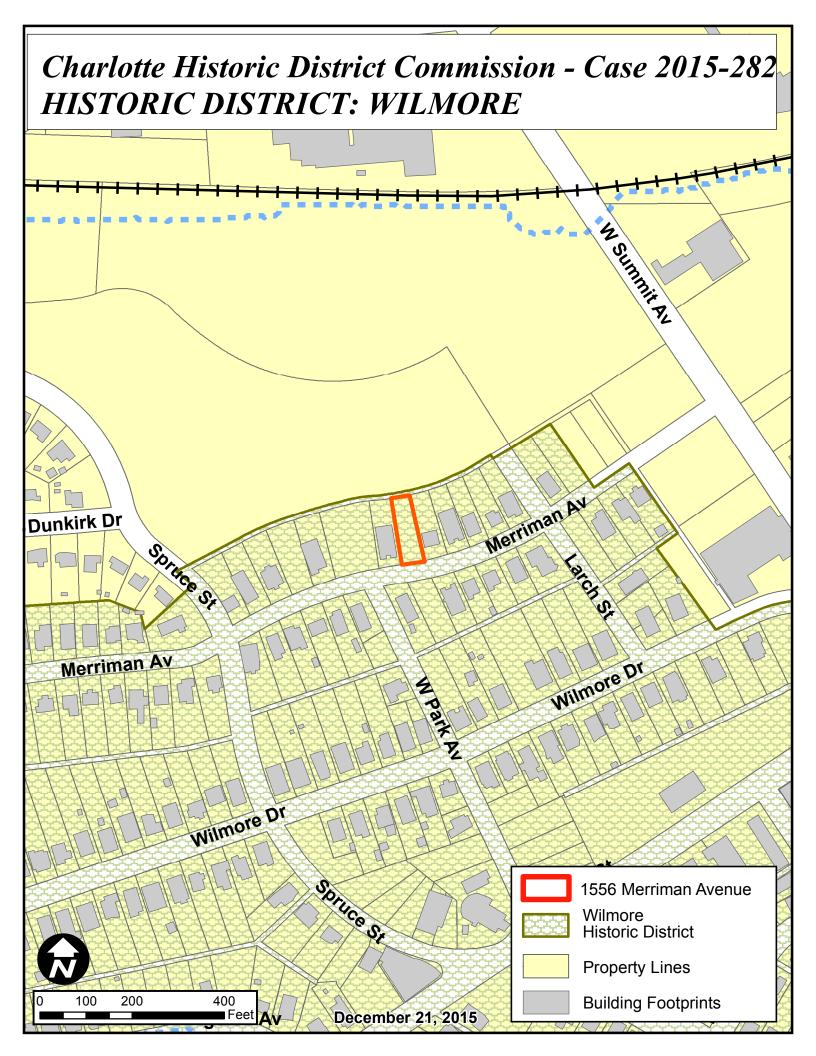
Policy & Design Guidelines for Mechanical Units, page 22 and 55

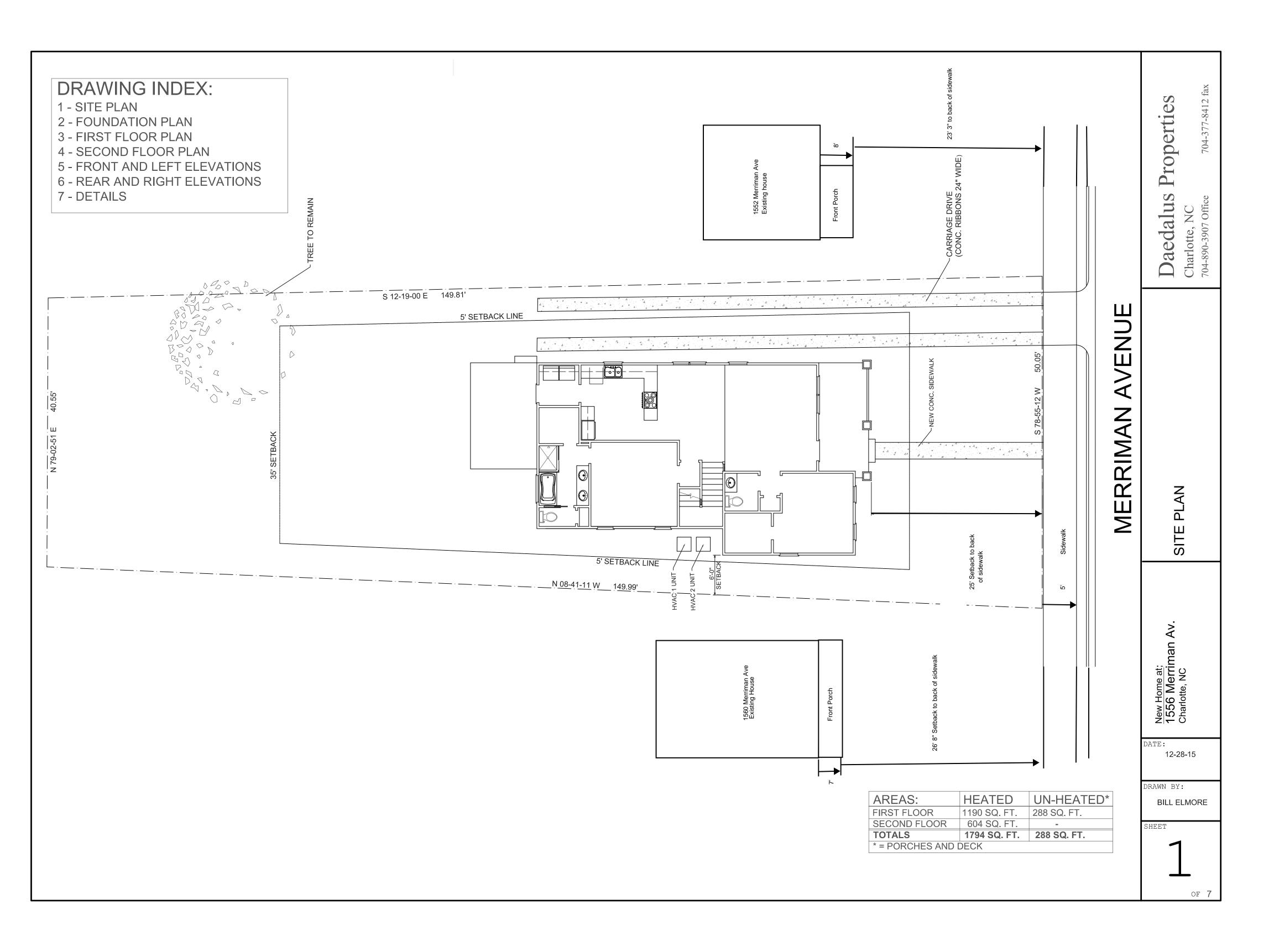
- 1. Rear yards are the preferred location for mechanical units. Such locations are eligible for administrative approval.
- 2. Mechanical units are not allowed in the front yards of residential structures, unless the full HDC finds that there is no other technically feasible alternative. In such cases, a screening plan must be approved by the HDC prior to installation.
- 3. <u>Mechanical units are allowed in side yards, but only if they are adequately screened from the street and adjoining properties in an appropriate manner.</u>

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

The Commission will determine if the proposal meets the guidelines for new construction.









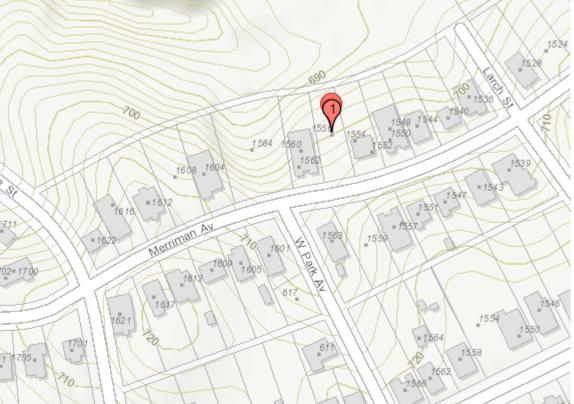
















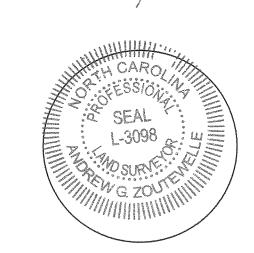




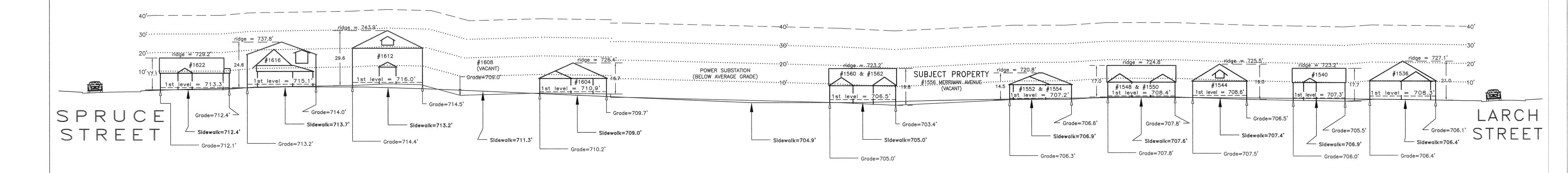


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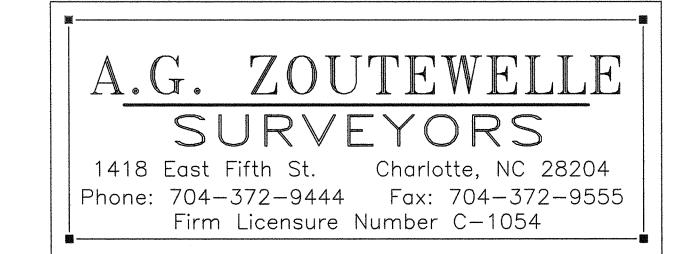
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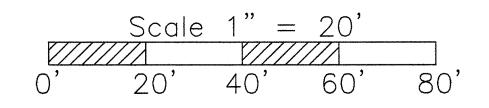


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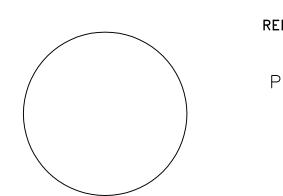
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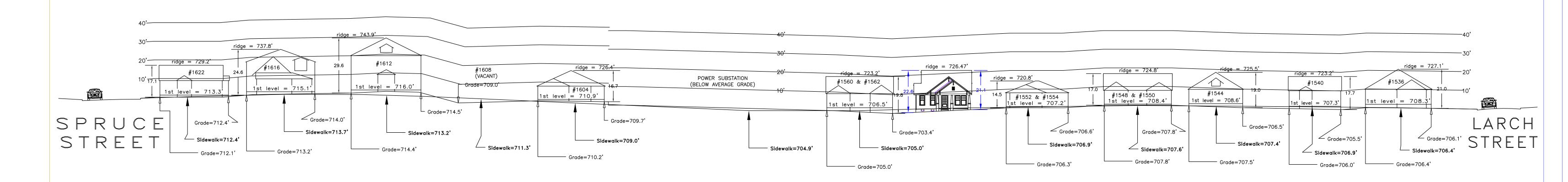
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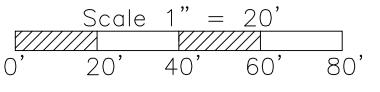


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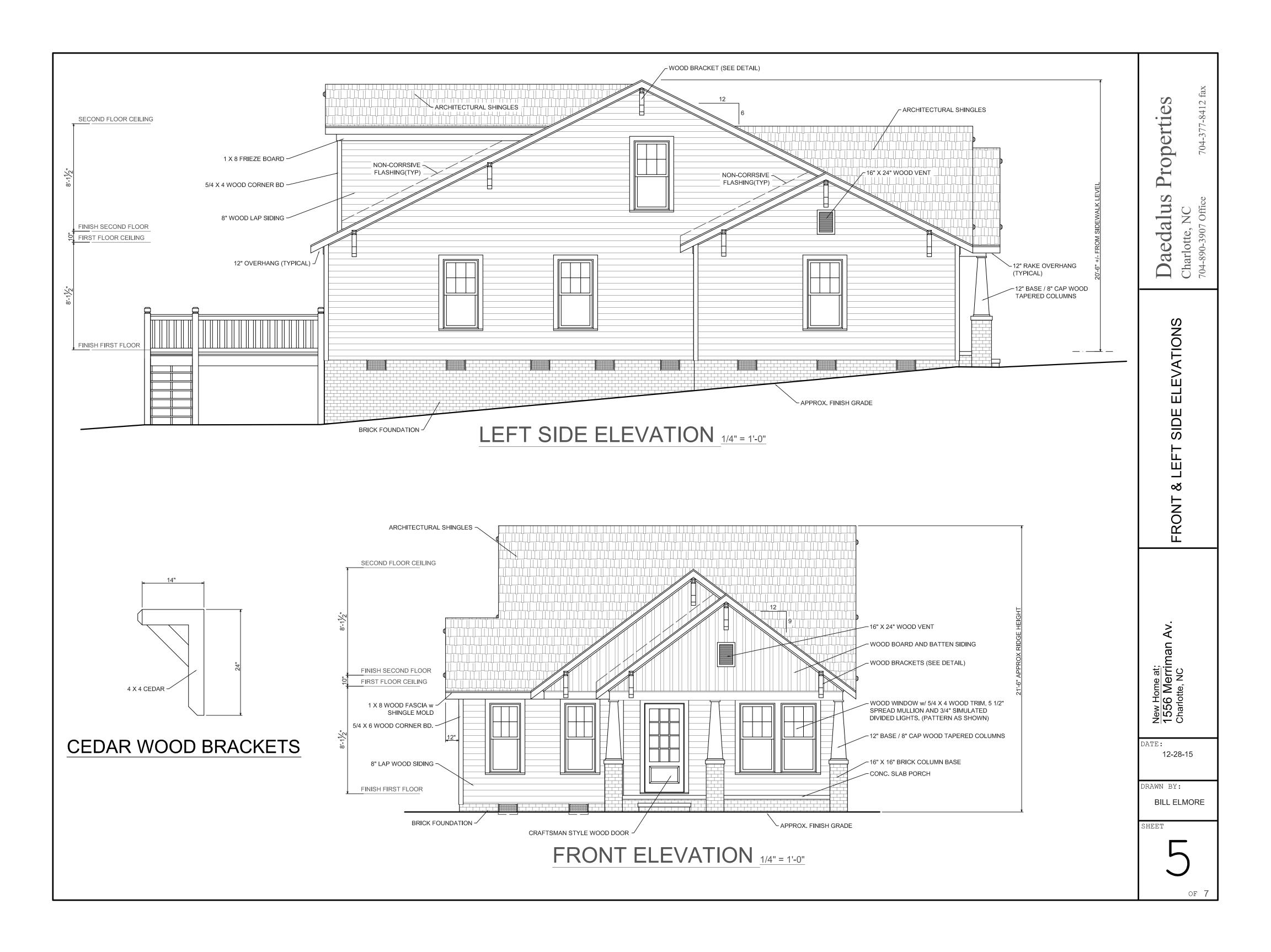
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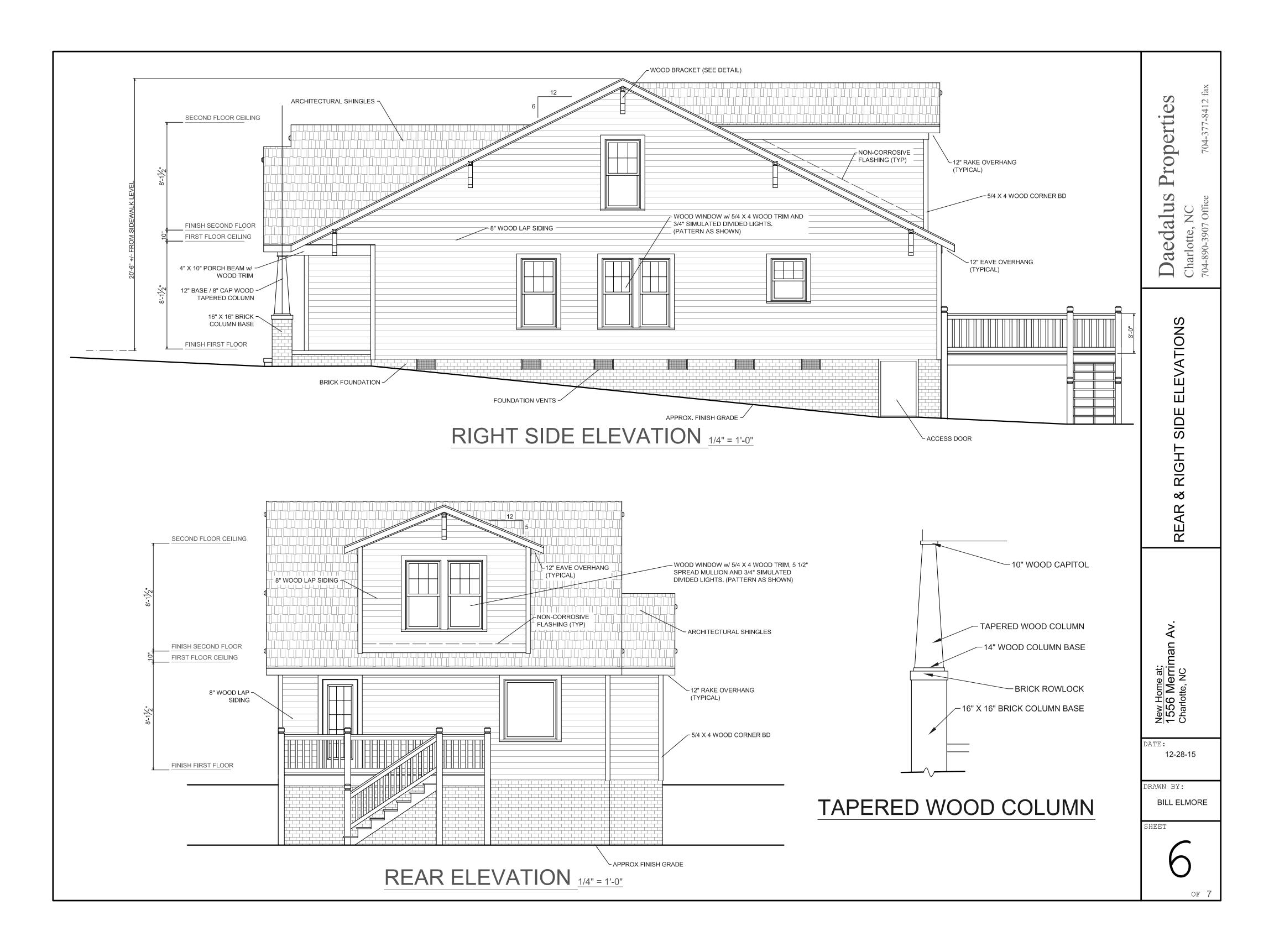


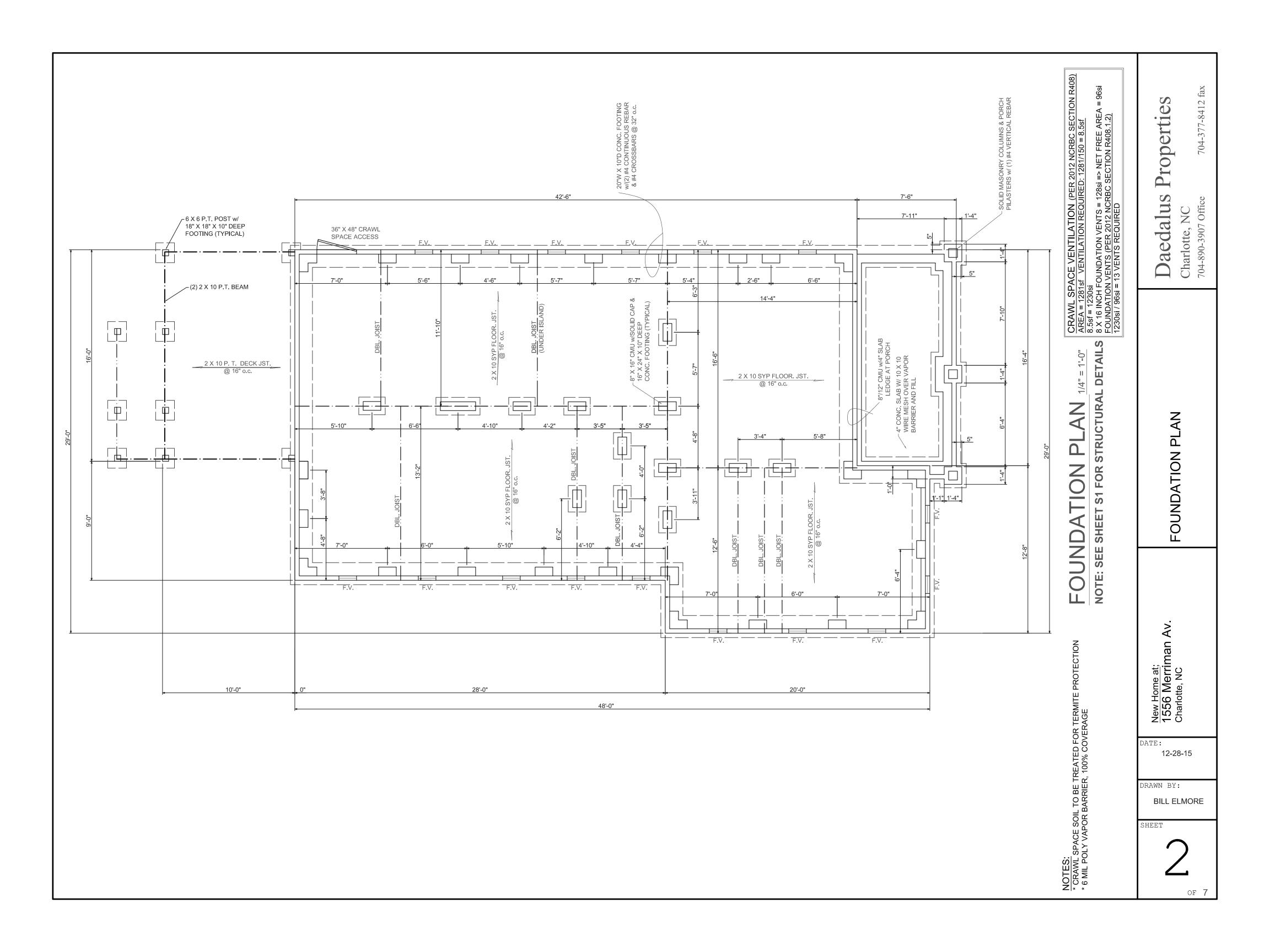
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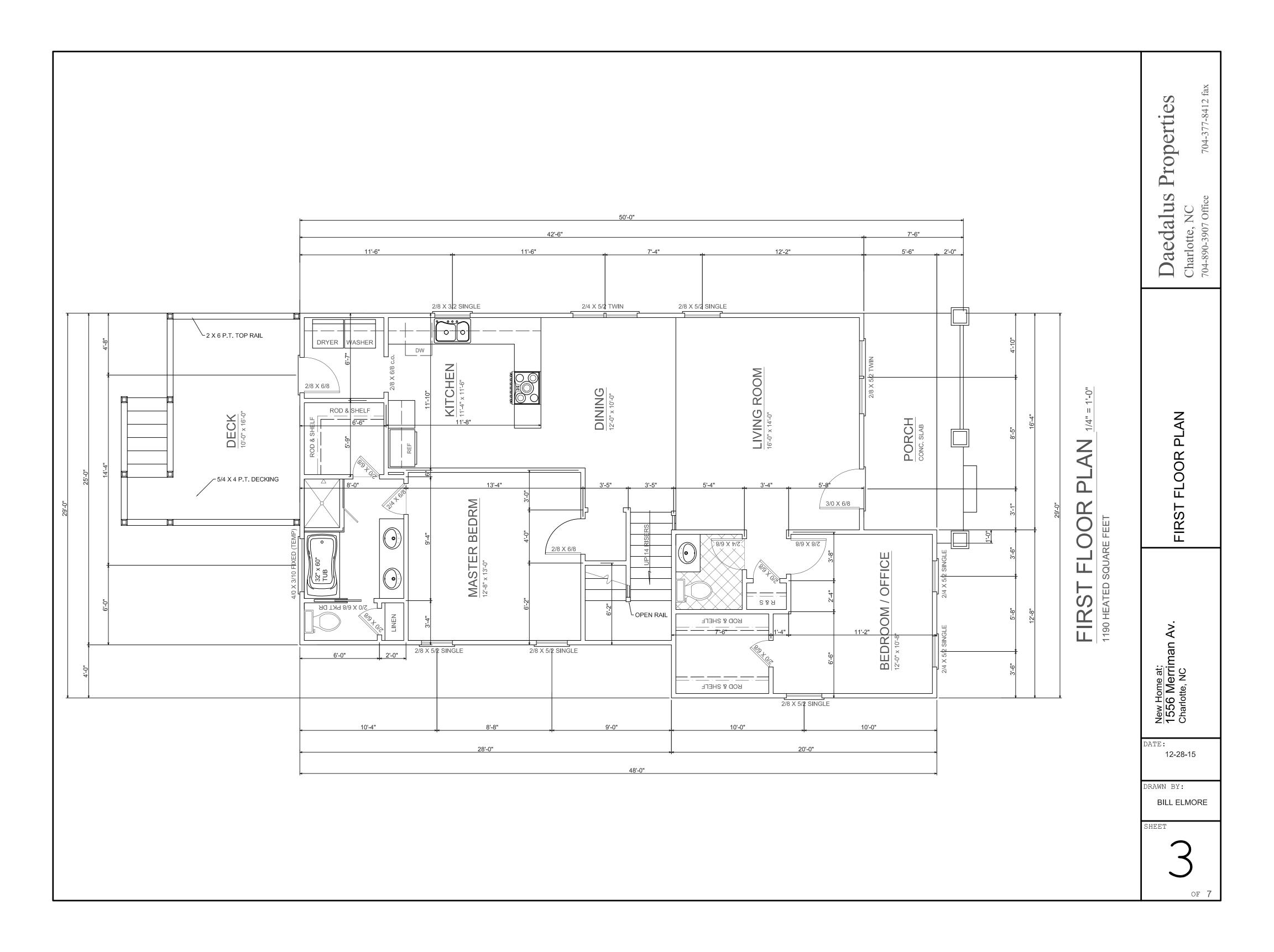
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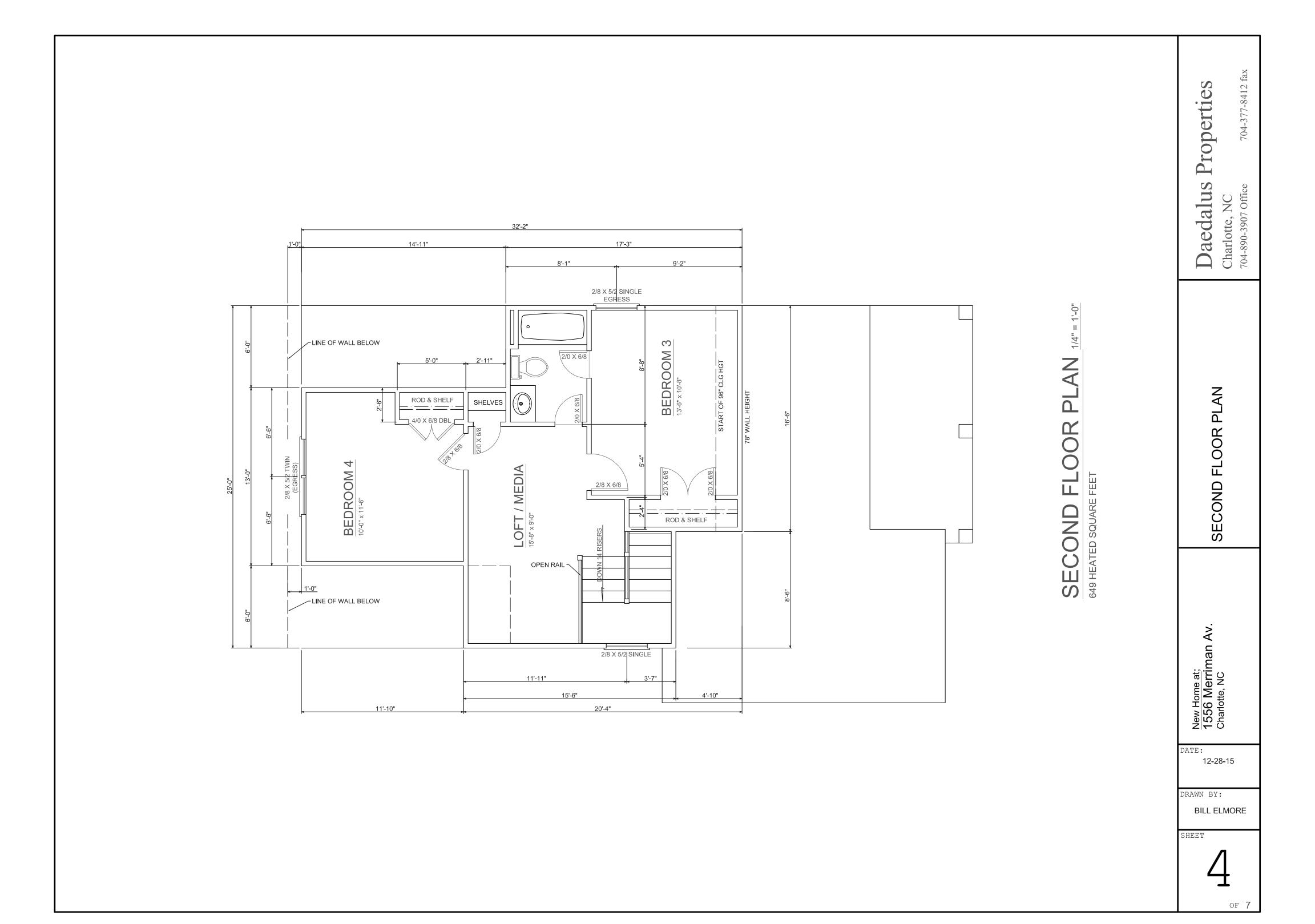
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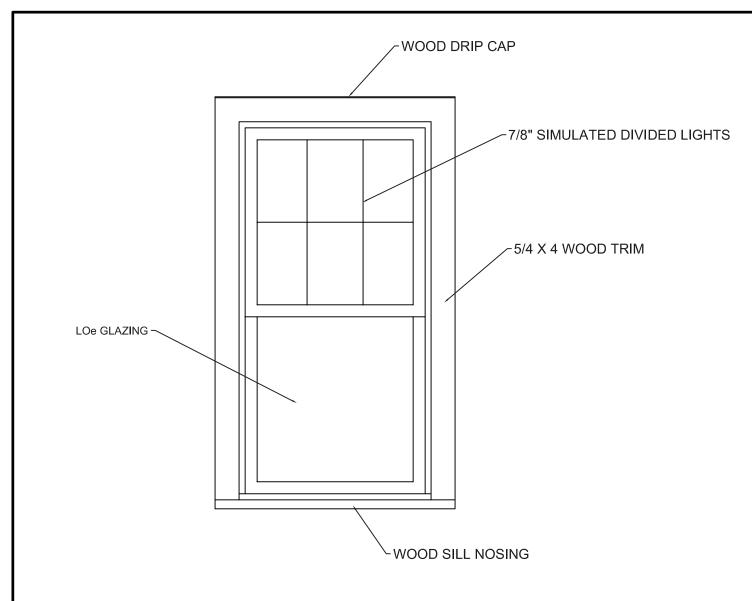






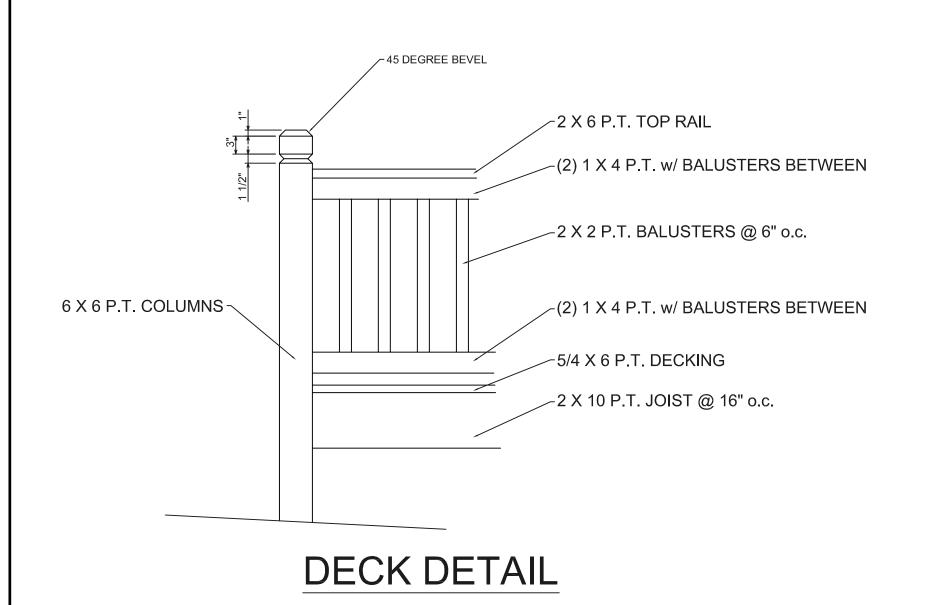


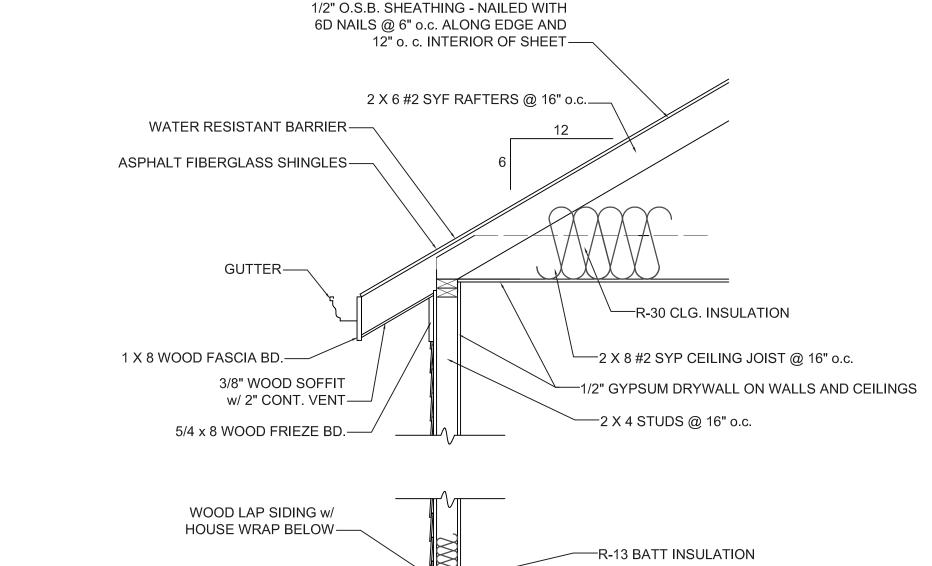


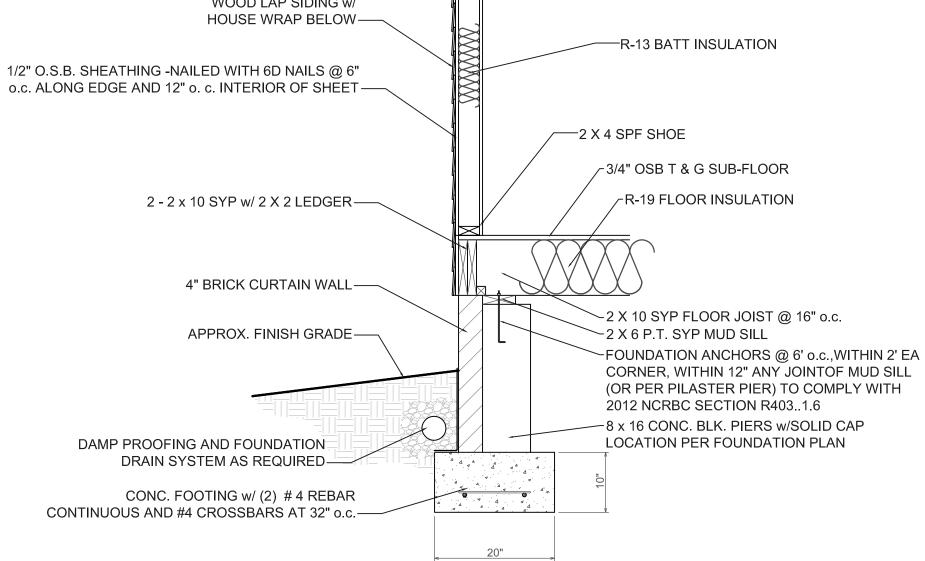


TYPICAL WOOD WINDOW TRIM

NOTE: TWIN UNITS HAVE 5 1/2" MULLION







TYPICAL WALL SECTION

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