ISSUE: Permit to Demolish/Capsulate (partial) and Certificate of Appropriateness

for addition and alterations

APPLICANT: Clare Little

LOCATION: Old and Historic Alexandria District

709 South Lee Street

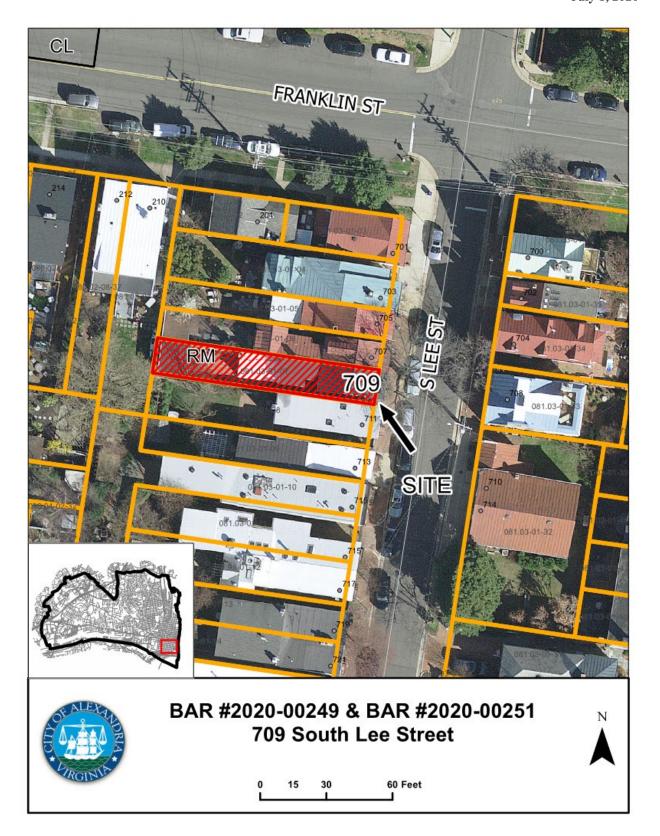
ZONE: RM/Residential Townhouse Zone

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends approval of the Permit to Demolish/Capsulate (partial) and Certificate of Appropriateness for an addition and alterations, as submitted.

GENERAL NOTES TO THE APPLICANT

- 1. APPEAL OF DECISION: In accordance with the Zoning Ordinance, if the Board of Architectural Review denies or approves an application in whole or in part, the applicant or opponent may appeal the Board's decision to City Council on or before 14 days after the decision of the Board.
- 2. COMPLIANCE WITH BAR POLICIES: All materials must comply with the BAR's adopted policies unless otherwise specifically approved.
- 3. BUILDING PERMITS: Most projects approved by the Board of Architectural Review require the issuance of one or more construction permits by Department of Code Administration (<u>including signs</u>). The applicant is responsible for obtaining all necessary construction permits after receiving Board of Architectural Review approval. Contact Code Administration, Room 4200, City Hall, 703-746-4200 for further information.
- 4. ISSUANCE OF CERTIFICATES OF APPROPRIATENESS AND PERMITS TO DEMOLISH: Applicants must obtain a copy of the Certificate of Appropriateness or Permit to Demolish PRIOR to applying for a building permit. Contact BAR Staff, Room 2100, City Hall, 703-746-3833, or preservation@alexandriava.gov for further information.
- 5. EXPIRATION OF APPROVALS NOTE: In accordance with Sections 10-106(B), 10-206(B) and 10-307 of the Zoning Ordinance, any Board of Architectural Review approval will expire 12 months from the date of issuance if the work is not commenced and diligently and substantially pursued by the end of that 12-month period.
- 6. HISTORIC PROPERTY TAX CREDITS: Applicants performing extensive, certified rehabilitations of historic properties may separately be eligible for state and/or federal tax credits. Consult with the <u>Virginia Department of Historic Resources (VDHR)</u> prior to initiating any work to determine whether the proposed project may qualify for such credits.



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<u>Note:</u> Staff coupled the applications for a Permit to Demolish (BAR #2020-00013) and Certificate of Appropriateness (BAR #2020-00014) for clarity and brevity. The Permit to Demolish requires a roll call vote.

I. <u>APPLICANT'S PROPOSAL</u>

The applicant requests a Permit to Demolish/Capsulate (partial) and Certificate of Appropriateness to construct a rear second story addition, at 709 South Lee Street.

Permit to Demolish/Capsulate

The proposed project occurs on the ell addition at the rear of the property, no work will be done on the main historic building. The applicant proposes to remove the roofs of the two-story and one-story ells at the rear and demolish approximately 50 square feet of the rear west and south walls. The second story west elevation wall of the two-story ell will be capsulated, approximately 70 square feet.

Certificate of Appropriateness

Addition

The existing approximately 29' x 10' rear ell footprint will not change. The applicant proposes to extend the second floor of the two-story ell over the existing one-story to accommodate a master bathroom and closet. The new addition will be clad with brick veneer to match the existing. Two new windows will be installed on the south elevation wall and a set of French doors with affixed guardrail on the rear west wall. The new metal shed roof will slope south and will have a skylight on the west portion, over the master bathroom.

Alterations

The project calls to raise the roof line of the existing two-story ell 1'-6" and infill the wall gap with masonry to match the existing. The two existing windows on the second story of the ell's south elevation will also be raised about 1'-0". The project also calls to extend the existing rear masonry chimney approximately 7'-0".

Site context

The property sits on the west side of the 700 block of South Lee Street. There is no alley or vacant lot adjacent to the property; the second-story addition will be minimally visible from Franklin and South Lee streets.

II. <u>HISTORY</u>

This semi-detached, two bay, two-story, frame Colonial Revival dwelling was built **ca. 1902**. The house features a side gable metal roof, six-over-six windows with operable shutters on the second story, a six-over-nine light configuration window on the street level, a six-panel front door with a transom and a classical door surround with pilasters. The Sanborn map of 1907 shows the two-story and one-story ell additions at the rear.

Previous BAR Approvals:

A new rear addition was approved by the BAR in 1978. May 11, 2010 – approval for a gas lantern (BAR2010-00110) April 1, 2015 – approval for roof replacement (BAR2015-00084) September 19, 2019 – approval for door replacement (BAR2019-0395)

III. ANALYSIS

Permit to Demolish/Capsulate

In considering a Permit to Demolish/Capsulate, the Board must consider the following criteria set forth in the Zoning Ordinance, §10-105(B), which relate only to the subject property and not to neighboring properties. The Board has purview of the proposed demolition/capsulation regardless of visibility.

Standard	Description of Standard	Standard Met?
(1)	Is the building or structure of such architectural or historical interest that its moving, removing, capsulating or razing would be to the detriment of the public interest?	No
(2)	Is the building or structure of such interest that it could be made into a historic shrine?	No
(3)	Is the building or structure of such old and unusual or uncommon design, texture and material that it could not be reproduced or be reproduced only with great difficulty?	No
(4)	Would retention of the building or structure help preserve the memorial character of the George Washington Memorial Parkway?	N/A
(5)	Would retention of the building or structure help preserve and protect an historic place or area of historic interest in the city?	No
(6)	Would retention of the building or structure promote the general welfare by maintaining and increasing real estate values, generating business, creating new positions, attracting tourists, students, writers, historians, artists and artisans, attracting new residents, encouraging study and interest in American history, stimulating interest and study in architecture and design, educating citizens in American culture and heritage, and making the city a more attractive and desirable place in which to live?	No

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In the opinion of staff, none of the criteria for demolition and capsulation are met in this case and the Permit to Demolish/Capsulate should be granted. The building is considered an Early (built before 1934) structure in the Old and Historic Alexandria District. The amount of material that will be demolished is minimal and the roofs to be removed are not original to the building. The materials and workmanship of the affected portions could be reproduced easily today.

Certificate of Appropriateness

According to the *Design Guidelines*, "As a general rule, the Boards favor contextual background buildings which allow historic structure to maintain the primary visual importance." Furthermore, "It is not the intention of the Boards to dilute design creativity in residential additions. Rather, the Boards seek to promote compatible development that is, at once, both responsible to the needs and tastes of the late 20th century while being compatible with the historic character of the districts."

Staff has no objection to the construction of a second story addition above the existing one-story portion of the existing rear ell and the proposed alterations to the two-story portion of the ell. They will be minimally visible from any public way and will not detract from the historic character of the main historic building. The Board routinely approves changes on the rear elevations of historic buildings to accommodate a more modern and functional interior layout as tastes and technology evolve. The existing rear elevations do not exhibit a high level of design or architectural detail as well.

Staff recommends approval of the project as submitted.

STAFF

Marina Novaes, Historic Preservation Planner, Planning & Zoning Tony LaColla, AICP, Land Use Services Division Chief, Planning & Zoning

IV. <u>CITY DEPARTMENT COMMENTS</u>

Legend: C- code requirement R- recommendation S- suggestion F- finding

Zoning

C-1 Complies with zoning.

Code Administration

No comments received.

Transportation and Environmental Services

- R-1 The building permit must be approved and issued prior to the issuance of any permit for demolition, if a separate demolition permit is required. (T&ES)
- R-2 Applicant shall be responsible for repairs to the adjacent city right-of-way if damaged during construction activity. (T&ES)

- R-3 No permanent structure may be constructed over any existing private and/or public utility easements. It is the responsibility of the applicant to identify any and all existing easements on the plan. (T&ES)
- F-1 Previously reviewed under BAR2010-00110, BAR2015-00084, BAR2019-00395 (T&ES)
- F-2 After review of the information provided, an approved grading plan is not required at this time. Please note that if any changes are made to the plan it is suggested that T&ES be included in the review. (T&ES)
- C-1 The applicant shall comply with the City of Alexandria's Solid Waste Control, Title 5, Chapter 1, which sets forth the requirements for the recycling of materials (Sec. 5-1-99). (T&ES)
- C-2 The applicant shall comply with the City of Alexandria's Noise Control Code, Title 11, Chapter 5, which sets the maximum permissible noise level as measured at the property line. (T&ES)
- C-3 Roof, surface and sub-surface drains be connected to the public storm sewer system, if available, by continuous underground pipe. Where storm sewer is not available applicant must provide a design to mitigate impact of stormwater drainage onto adjacent properties and to the satisfaction of the Director of Transportation & Environmental Services. (Sec.5-6-224) (T&ES)
- C-4 All secondary utilities serving this site shall be placed underground. (Sec. 5-3-3) (T&ES)
- C-5 Any work within the right-of-way requires a separate permit from T&ES. (Sec. 5-2) (T&ES)
- C-6 All improvements to the city right-of-way such as curbing, sidewalk, driveway aprons, etc. must be city standard design. (Sec. 5-2-1) (T&ES)

Alexandria Archaeology

No archaeological oversight will be necessary for this project.

V. ATTACHMENTS

- 1 Supplemental Materials
- 2 Application for BAR 2020-00013 & 2020-00014; 801 South Fairfax Street

ADDRESS OF PROJECT:	S LEE ST.	
DISTRICT: X Old & Historic Ale		☐100 Year Old Building
TAX MAP AND PARCEL: 81.	03	ZONING: RM
APPLICATION FOR: (Please check	all that apply)	
○ CERTIFICATE OF APPROPR	IATENESS	
X PERMIT TO MOVE, REMOVE (Required if more than 25 square fee	E, ENCAPSULATE OR DEMOI t of a structure is to be demolished/imp	
	ANCE REQUIREMENT and/or 7-802, Alexandria 1992 Zoning Ordina	YARD REQUIREMENTS IN A VISION nce)
WAIVER OF ROOFTOP HVA (Section 6-403(B)(3), Alexandria 199	C SCREENING REQUIREMEN 2 Zoning Ordinance)	NT
Applicant: Property Owner	Business (Please provide b	ousiness name & contact person)
Name: CLARE LITTLE		_
Address: 709 S LEE ST		<u> </u>
City: ALEXANDRIA	State: VA Zip:	
Phone:	E-mail :clare.little1@ve	erizon.net
Authorized Agent (if applicable):	☐ Attorney ☐ Architec	et 🔲
Name: KURT WEST		Phone: 202-957-0933
E-mail: kurt@westworkshop.com		
Legal Property Owner:		
Name: CLARE LITTLE		_
Address: 709 S LEE ST		_
City: ALEXANDRIA	State: VA Zip:	22314
Phone:	E-mail: clare.little1@ve	rizon.net
Yes No If yes, has the e	oric preservation easement on this easement holder agreed to the pro- eowner's association for this prope nomeowner's association approve	posed alterations? rty?

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If you answered yes to any of the above, please attach a copy of the letter approving the project.

NATURE OF PROPOSED WORK: Please check all that apply
NEW CONSTRUCTION EXTERIOR ALTERATION: Please check all that apply. awning fence, gate or garden wall HVAC equipment shutters doors windows siding shed lighting pergola/trellis painting unpainted masonry other ADDITION DEMOLITION/ENCAPSULATION
☑ DEMOLITION/ENCAPSULATION☑ SIGNAGE
DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED WORK: Please describe the proposed work in detail (Additional pages may be attached).
Addition and alteration to existing 2-story brick dwelling.
Demolition scope to include roof removal. New work to include a raised roof, new master bathroom and interior finishes.
SUBMITTAL REQUIREMENTS:
Items listed below comprise the minimum supporting materials for BAR applications. Staff may request additional information during application review. Please refer to the relevant section of the <i>Design Guidelines</i> for further information on appropriate treatments.
Applicants must use the checklist below to ensure the application is complete. Include all information and material that are necessary to thoroughly describe the project. Incomplete applications will delay the docketing of the application for review. Pre-application meetings are required for all proposed additions. All applicants are encouraged to meet with staff prior to submission of a completed application.
Electronic copies of submission materials should be submitted whenever possible.
Demolition/Encapsulation : All applicants requesting 25 square feet or more of demolition/encapsulation must complete this section. Check N/A if an item in this section does not apply to your project.
N/A Survey plat showing the extent of the proposed demolition/encapsulation. Existing elevation drawings clearly showing all elements proposed for demolition/encapsulation.
Clear and labeled photographs of all elevations of the building if the entire structure is proposed to be demolished.
Description of the reason for demolition/encapsulation.

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Description of the alternatives to demolition/encapsulation and why such alternatives are not considered feasible.

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Additions & New Construction: Drawings must be to scale an	nd should not exceed 11" x 17" unless
approved by staff. All plans must be folded and collated into 3 complete	e 8 1/2" x 11" sets. Additional copies may be
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	ed by stail for large-scale development projects or projects fronting washington street. Check N/A if an item ection does not apply to your project.
□ N/A	Scaled survey plat showing dimensions of lot and location of existing building and other structures on the lot, location of proposed structure or addition, dimensions of existing structure(s), proposed addition or new construction, and all exterior, ground and roof mounted
	equipment. FAR & Open Space calculation form. Clear and labeled photographs of the site, surrounding properties and existing structures, if applicable. Existing elevations must be scaled and include dimensions. Proposed elevations must be scaled and include dimensions. Include the relationship to adjacent structures in plan and elevations. Materials and colors to be used must be specified and delineated on the drawings. Actual samples may be provided or required. Manufacturer's specifications for materials to include, but not limited to: roofing, siding, windows, doors, lighting, fencing, HVAC equipment and walls. For development site plan projects, a model showing mass relationships to adjacent properties and structures.
illuminat	& Awnings: One sign per building under one square foot does not require BAR approval unless led. All other signs including window signs require BAR approval. Check N/A if an item in this section does by to your project.
N/A	Linear feet of building: Front:Secondary front (if corner lot): Square feet of existing signs to remain: Photograph of building showing existing conditions. Dimensioned drawings of proposed sign identifying materials, color, lettering style and text. Location of sign (show exact location on building including the height above sidewalk). Means of attachment (drawing or manufacturer's cut sheet of bracket if applicable). Description of lighting (if applicable). Include manufacturer's cut sheet for any new lighting fixtures and information detailing how it will be attached to the building's facade.
Alterat	tions: Check N/A if an item in this section does not apply to your project.
	Clear and labeled photographs of the site, especially the area being impacted by the alterations, all sides of the building and any pertinent details. Manufacturer's specifications for materials to include, but not limited to: roofing, siding, windows, doors, lighting, fencing, HVAC equipment and walls. Drawings accurately representing the changes to the proposed structure, including materials and overall dimensions. Drawings must be to scale. An official survey plat showing the proposed locations of HVAC units, fences, and sheds. Historic elevations or photographs should accompany any request to return a structure to an earlier appearance.

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ALL APPLICATIONS: Please read and check that you have read and understand the following items:

- I have submitted a filing fee with this application. (Checks should be made payable to the City of Alexandria. Please contact staff for assistance in determining the appropriate fee.)
- I understand the notice requirements and will return a copy of the three respective notice forms to BAR staff at least five days prior to the hearing. If I am unsure to whom I should send notice I will contact Planning and Zoning staff for assistance in identifying adjacent parcels.
- I, the applicant, or an authorized representative will be present at the public hearing.
- I understand that any revisions to this initial application submission (including applications deferred for restudy) must be accompanied by the BAR Supplemental form and 3 sets of revised materials.

The undersigned hereby attests that all of the information herein provided including the site plan, building elevations, prospective drawings of the project, and written descriptive information are true, correct and accurate. The undersigned further understands that, should such information be found incorrect, any action taken by the Board based on such information may be invalidated. The undersigned also hereby grants the City of Alexandria permission to post placard notice as required by Article XI, Division A, Section 11-301(B) of the 1992 Alexandria City Zoning Ordinance, on the property which is the subject of this application. The undersigned also hereby authorizes the City staff and members of the BAR to inspect this site as necessary in the course of research and evaluating the application. The applicant, if other than the property owner, also attests the

KURT D. WEST JR Lic. No. 0401017033

APPLICANT OR AUTHORIZED AGENT:

Signature:

Printed Name: KURT WEST

Date: MAY 22, 2020

OWNERSHIP AND DISCLOSURE STATEMENT Use additional sheets if necessary

an interest in the applicant, ur case identify each owner of n	iddress and percent of ownership less the entity is a corporati nore than three percent. The te interest held at the time of the	on or partnership, in which rm ownership interest shall
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Name	Address	Percent of Ownership
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Name	Address	Percent of Ownership
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Name of person or entity	Relationship as defined by Section 11-350 of the Zoning Ordinance	Member of the Approving Body (i.e. City Council, Planning Commission, etc.)
1. _{N/A}		
2.		
3.		
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DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND ZONING FLOOR AREA RATIO AND OPEN SPACE CALCULATIONS

A1. Street Address		1.5		Zone RM
A2. Total Lot Area		x Floor Area Ratio Allo	wed by Zone	= Maximum Allowable Floor Area
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Basement		Basement		B1. Existing Gross Floor Area *
First Floor	695	Stairways	56	<u>1383</u> Sq. Ft. B2. Allowable Floor Exclusions
Second Floor	508	Mechanical	12	 68 Sq. Ft. B3. Existing Floor Area minus Exclusion
Third Floor		Other		<u>1315</u>
Porches/ Other	180 (Shed)	Total Exclusions	68	(subtract B2 from B1)
Total Gross *	1383			4
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New Gross Floor	Area			-
Proposed Gro	ss Area*	Allowable Exclu	ısions **	_
Basement		Basement		C1. New Gross Floor Area *
First Floor		Stairways		Sq. Ft. C2. Allowable Floor Exclusions
Second Floor	187	Mechanical		Sq. Ft. C3. New Floor Area minus Exclusions
Third Floor		Other		<u>187</u> Sq. Ft.
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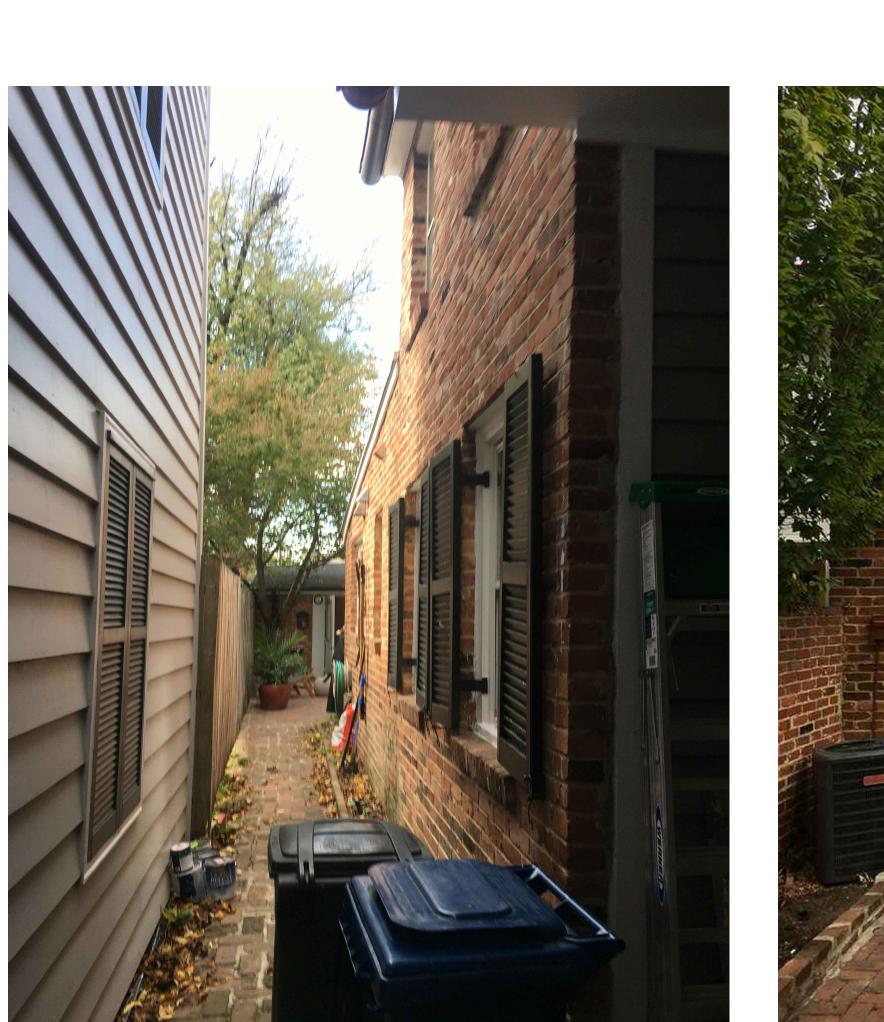
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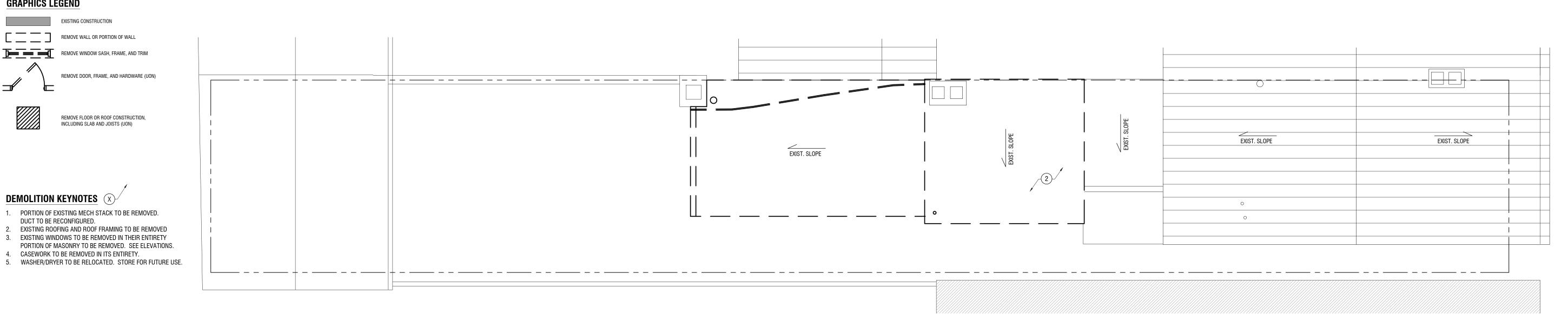
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WORKSHOP

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DEMOLITION FLOOR PLANS

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GRAPHICS LEGEND

DEMOLITION KEYNOTES (X)-

DUCT TO BE RECONFIGURED.

4. CASEWORK TO BE REMOVED IN ITS ENTIRETY.

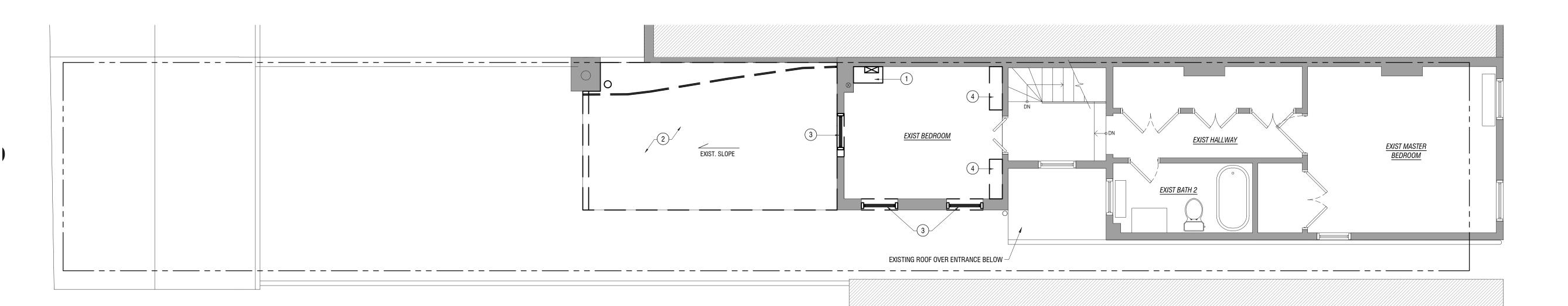
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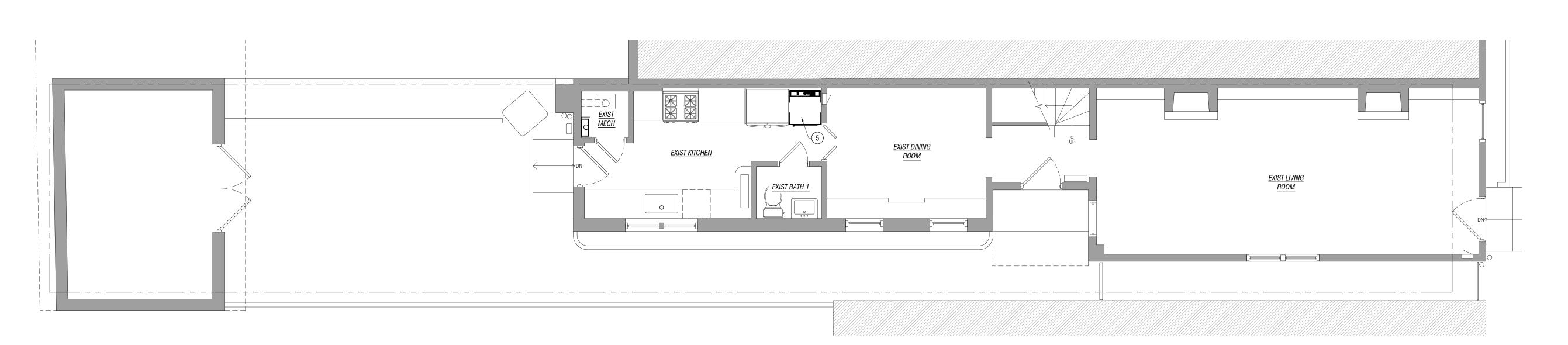
REMOVE WINDOW SASH, FRAME, AND TRIM

REMOVE FLOOR OR ROOF CONSTRUCTION, INCLUDING SLAB AND JOISTS (UON)

3 DEMOLITION PLAN - ROOF



2 DEMOLITION PLAN - SECOND FLOOR



1 DEMOLITION PLAN - FIRST FLOOR

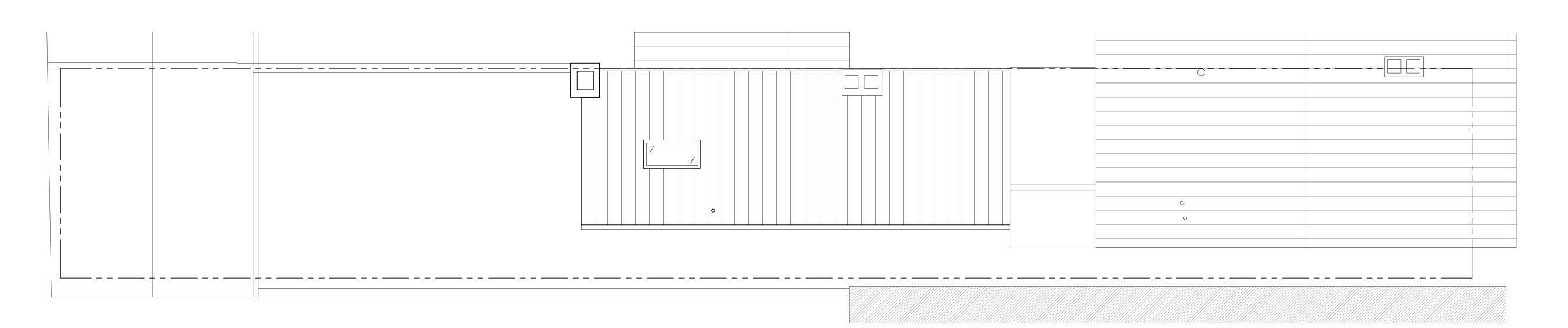


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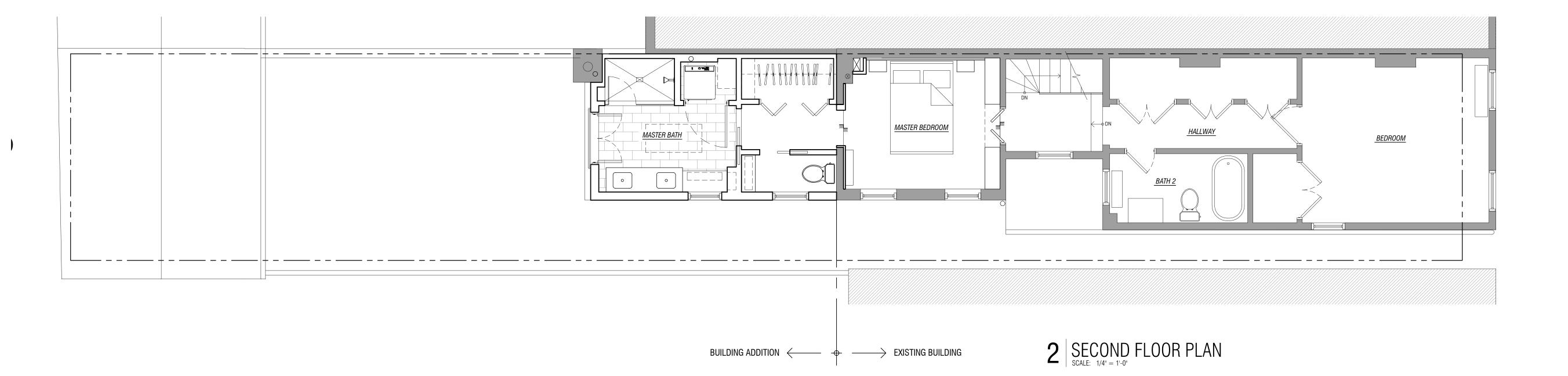
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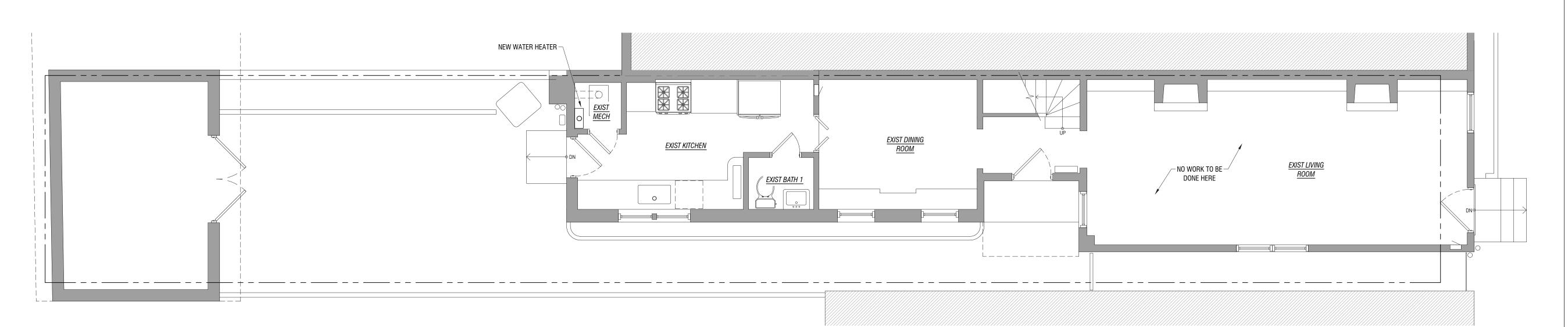
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ROOF PLAN





1 | FIRST FLOOR PLAN

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SHEET TITLE: **EXISTING AND PROPOSED ELEVATION** SCHEME 01

A201



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BUILDING ADDITION \leftarrow

EXTEND EXISTING MASONRY CHIMNEY -

MASONRY ON ADDITION IS TO MATCH EXISTING-

FRENCH DOORS WITH GUARDRAIL AFFIXED TO EXTERIOR WALL

709 S. LEE STREET

2 WEST ELEVATION - EXISTING SCALE: 1/4" = 1'-0"

711 S. LEE STREET

FOR REFERENCE ONLY

707 S. LEE STREET

FOR REFERENCE ONLY

SKYLIGHT OVER BATHROOM -

ROOF TO BE RAISED 18 INCHES.
SLOPE OF NEW ROOF TO MATCH EXISTING

- NEW MASONRY TO MATCH EXISTING

EXISTING SILL HEIGHT RAISED +/- 1'-0"

FILL FORMER OPENING W/ MASONRY TO MATCH EXISTING

SOUTH ELEVATION - EXISTING

SCALE: 1/4" = 1'-0"

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LITTLE RESIDENCE Addition & Alteration

DESCRIPTION 2020-03-17 PRESERVATION STAFF REVIEW 2020-05-17 BAR APPLICATION

SHEET TITLE: PROPOSED ELEVATIONS SCHEME 02 & 03

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BUILDING ADDITION \leftarrow

EXTEND EXISTING MASONRY CHIMNEY -

SKYLIGHT OVER BATHROOM -

FIBER CEMENT LAP SIDING -

NEW MASONRY TO MATCH EXISTING —

1X4 TRIM, PTD —

1X8 TRIM, PTD —

STANDING SEAM METAL ROOFING -

FIBER CEMENT SIDING

FRENCH DOORS WITH GUARDRAIL
AFFIXED TO EXTERIOR WALL

711 S. LEE STREET FOR REFERENCE ONLY

709 S. LEE STREET

2 | WEST ELEVATION - SCHEME 02

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FILL FORMER OPENING W/ MASONRY TO MATCH EXISTING

1 | SOUTH ELEVATION - SCHEME 02