#### HISTORIC AND DESIGN REVIEW COMMISSION

**September 16, 2020** 

**HDRC CASE NO:** 2020-391

**ADDRESS:** 212 N ALAMO ST

**LEGAL DESCRIPTION:** NCB 425 BLK 23 LOT W 43 FT OF N 89.6 FT OF 2

**ZONING:** D, H **CITY COUNCIL DIST.:** 1

**LANDMARK:** YWCA / Henry Terrell Building

**APPLICANT:** Mark Henderson

**OWNER:** Chris McMartin/ALAMO QOZB LLC

**TYPE OF WORK:** Repair and maintenance, addition, storefront installation

**APPLICATION RECEIVED:** August 28, 2020

**60-DAY REVIEW:** Not applicable due to City Council Emergency Orders

**CASE MANAGER:** Edward Hall

**REQUEST:** 

The applicant is requesting a Certificate of Appropriateness for approval to:

- 1. Replace the existing, concrete slab and first level floor.
- 2. Construct a new stair an elevator addition to the south façade to feature a painted stucco exterior.
- 3. Remove two existing fire escapes.
- 4. Perform repair and maintenance to the existing masonry including re-pointing, cleaning, painting, and replacement where necessary.
- 5. Replace all existing windows and install a new aluminum storefront system.
- 6. Install a new TPO roofing system.
- 7. Install entrance canopies on the N Alamo façade.

#### **APPLICABLE CITATIONS:**

Historic Design Guidelines, Chapter 2, Guidelines for Exterior Maintenance and Alterations

#### 10. Commercial Facades

#### A. MAINTENANCE (PRESERVATION)

- *i. Character-defining features*—Preserve character defining features such as cornice molding, upper-story windows, transoms, display windows, kickplates, entryways, tiled paving at entryways, parapet walls, bulkheads, and other features that contribute to the character of the building.
- *ii. Windows and doors*—Use clear glass in display windows. See Guidelines for Architectural Features: Doors, Windows, and Screens for additional guidance.
- *iii. Missing features*—Replace missing features in-kind based on evidence such as photographs, or match the style of the building and the period in which it was designed.
- *iv. Materials*—Use in-kind materials or materials appropriate to the time period of the original commercial facade when making repairs.

#### B. ALTERATIONS (REHABILITATION, RESTORATION, AND RECONSTRUCTION)

- *i. New features*—Do not introduce new facade elements that alter or destroy the historic building character, such as adding inappropriate materials; altering the size or shape of windows, doors, bulkheads, and transom openings; or altering the façade from commercial to residential. Alterations should not disrupt the rhythm of the commercial block.
- *ii. Historical commercial facades*—Return non-historic facades to the original design based on photographic evidence. Keep in mind that some non-original facades may have gained historic importance and should be retained. When evidence is not available, ensure the scale, design, materials, color, and texture is compatible

with the historic building. Consider the features of the design holistically so as to not include elements from multiple buildings and styles.

#### **FINDINGS:**

- a. The historic structure located at 212 N Alamo street was constructed circa 1909 and is commonly known as the YWCA and the Henry Terrell Building. The historic structure has been subject to various modifications and currently does not feature the majority of its historic wood windows or storefront windows.
- b. CONCEPTUAL APPROVAL This request received conceptual approval at the May 1, 2020, Historic and Design Review Commission hearing with the following stipulations:
  - i. That all repair and maintenance to historic masonry elements be done in-kind with like materials.
  - ii. That the proposed wood replacement windows adhere to staff standard specifications for window replacement.
  - iii. That the proposed entrance canopies he simple in design and not obscure any historic architectural elements
  - iv. ARCHAEOLOGY Archaeological investigations should occur if excavations are necessary for the development. The project shall comply with all federal, state, and local laws, rules, and regulations regarding archaeology, as applicable.
- c. FIRST FLOOR SLAB The historic structure currently features a ground floor slab that has deteriorated beyond repair. The applicant has proposed to install a new concrete slab to serve as the floor on the ground level, and to serve structural purposes. Staff finds this to be appropriate.
- d. STAIR & ELEVATOR ADDITION The applicant has proposed to construct a stair and elevator addition on the south façade to feature a painted stucco exterior. The applicant has noted that the proposed addition will feature insets from the walls of the historic structure. Staff finds the proposed addition, its profile and materials to be appropriate and consistent with the Guidelines.
- e. FIRE ESCAPE REMOVAL The applicant has proposed to remove two existing fire escapes that no longer meet life safety code. Staff finds the removal of these fire escapes to be appropriate. Staff finds that any previous penetrations into the masonry façade should be repaired in kind.
- f. MASONRY REPAIR The applicant has proposed to perform repair and maintenance to the existing masonry façade including re-pointing, cleaning, painting and replacement of materials where necessary. Staff finds this to be appropriate and consistent with the Guidelines.
- g. WINDOW REPLACEMENT The existing structure does not feature a majority of its original windows. The applicant has proposed to replace all existing windows with new, wood windows. Staff finds the proposed wood windows to be consistent with staff's standards for replacement windows.
- h. STOREFRONT SYSTEM The applicant has proposed to install an aluminum storefront system. The structure currently does not feature a storefront system. The applicant has proposed for the storefront system to feature a dark bronze color. Generally, staff finds the installation of the dark bronze aluminum storefront system to be appropriate.
- i. ROOFING The applicant has proposed to install a new TPO roofing system. Staff finds this to be appropriate and consistent with the Guidelines as it will not modify the historic roof profile.
- j. CANOPIES The applicant has proposed to install curved steel canopies above the five arched storefront profiles on the N Alamo façade. The Guidelines for Exterior Maintenance and Alterations 11.B.ii. notes that new canopies and awnings should be based on accurate evidence of the original, such as photographs. If no such evidence exists, the design of new canopies and awnings should be based on the architectural style of the building and be proportionate in shape and size to the scale of the building façade to which they will be attached. Staff does not find the proposed canopies to be consistent with the Guidelines as there is not information to support the proposed profile and materials, standing seam metal roofs and wood soffits. Staff finds that coverings similar in profile and material to those noted in the historic photograph would be more appropriate.
- k. ARCHAEOLOGY The project area is located within the San Antonio Downtown and River Walk Historic District National Register of Historic Places District and is a designated Local Historic Landmark. In addition, the property is in close proximity to previously recorded archaeological site 41BX1894. Furthermore, a review of historic archival documents identifies buildings within the property as early as 1873. Therefore,

archaeological investigations should occur if excavations are necessary for the development. The project shall comply with all federal, state, and local laws, rules, and regulations regarding archaeology, as applicable.

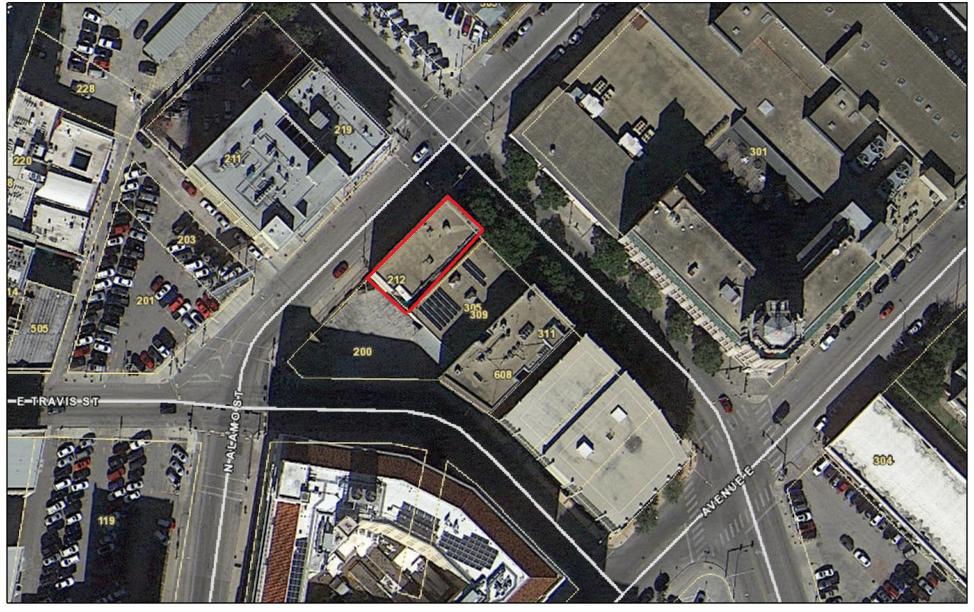
#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends approval of items #1 through #6 based on findings a through i and k with the following stipulations:

- i. That all repair and maintenance to historic masonry elements be done in-kind with like materials.
- ii. ARCHAEOLOGY Archaeological investigations should occur if excavations are necessary for the development. The project shall comply with all federal, state, and local laws, rules, and regulations regarding archaeology, as applicable.

Staff does not recommend approval of item #7, the installation of curved entrance canopies as proposed. Staff recommends that the applicant install an alternative covering that is more consistent with historical evidence.

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August 25th, 2020 HDRC Final Approval Application 212 North Alamo Street – Henry Terrell Building

Office of Historic Preservation 1901 South Alamo San Antonio, TX 78204

#### **Project Description:**

Located at 212 North Alamo Street on the northwest corner of N. Alamo and 3rd Street, the Henry Terrell building exemplifies San Antonio's early 1900's commercial vernacular in the simplest of classical forms. This 3-story Renaissance Revival style building was built ca 1909 by Henry Terrell, a lawyer and the son of Edwin H. Terrell, a prominent San Antonio businessman. The building was primarily a small hotel, with commercial storefronts on the street level. For a short time between 1910 and 1915 the building was home to the San Antonio YWCA. The building was then converted to use as a small hotel from 1925 until 1950, was known as the Majestic Hotel. The commercial spaces on the street level were generally occupied by a jeweler, a package store, and a restaurant or café.

The Terrell building is composed of a running bond brick facade with cast stone headers, sills and key stones that define the brick arched openings, doors and windows. The buff and terracotta brick are laid with the terracotta aligned in vertical rows spanning from the first to third floor, north to south. This pattern is repeated on the north, west and south elevations, leaving the east elevation clad in only the running bond buff brick.

The structure is a load bearing masonry wall perimeter with shallow footings. The interior columns extending up to the second floor and are cast iron resting on shallow spread footings. The first floor is currently both slab on grade and wood floor on sleepers. Both structural floor systems are cut up and assumed a construction project that was started and not finished. The second and third floor structures are wood framed as well as the existing roof structure. A partial interior wood stair exists but is not the original configuration. Project scope calls for removing this stair and replacing with a new stair.

The owner will pursue Historic Tax Credits and therefore the project scope accounts for the most comprehensive renovations that will be required by the Texas Historical Commission. FPC has already had a preliminary meeting and site walk with the Texas Historical Commission. We are in the process of submitting part B and part 2 of the tax credit applications, part A was recently approved by the National Park Service. FPC will adhere to THC and OHP recommendations in order to qualify for as many tax credits as possible for the project.

As stated above, the existing concrete slab has been heavily disturbed and modified in previous renovation efforts. This application recommends removal of the existing wood sleepers on the first floor and replacement with a new slab on fill for a uniform and structurally sound foundation. The load bearing walls on the second and third floors will be evaluated and reinforced to support typical office dead/live loads that is proposed on these floors.

A new stair and elevator will be installed within the project scope. The elevator will be located on the exterior of the south-east portion of the building and will be constructed of CMU and a painted stucco exterior finish with vertical and horizontal reveals. The new elevator will result

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in altering the inside corner condition of the building. FPC has carefully detail the new elevator shaft to be distinct from the historic building; the new stucco walls and parapet are held back from the existing masonry and reveals will be used at the stucco and masonry intersection.

The two existing exterior fire escapes will be removed from the project. The fire escape on the south façade (alley side) will be rebuilt as this will be required for egress. Masonry patching will occur where the steel embeds existed, the existing structure will be reused as possible.

FPC will be re-pointing the masonry and mortar conditions around the building. The existing masonry will be cleaned and patched to a level appropriate for expressing as a finish material. Some masonry units need to be replaced where severely damaged, as well as some that need to be removed where used to infill previous window profiles.

Few existing interior finishes remain, but it was observed that the 2nd and 3rd floors at one time had plaster over masonry on the perimeter walls. Brick will be exposed on the interior of the 1st floor while plaster will cover the masonry on the 2nd and 3rd floors.

The existing building has less than 20% of its windows and doors in place. As a result, replacement of all windows and strorefront systems is proposed. The historic profiles and windows planes will be respected when trying to match the new window to the existing. The proposed windows will be thermally broken and constructed of wood with an Insulated glass unit for energy efficiency.

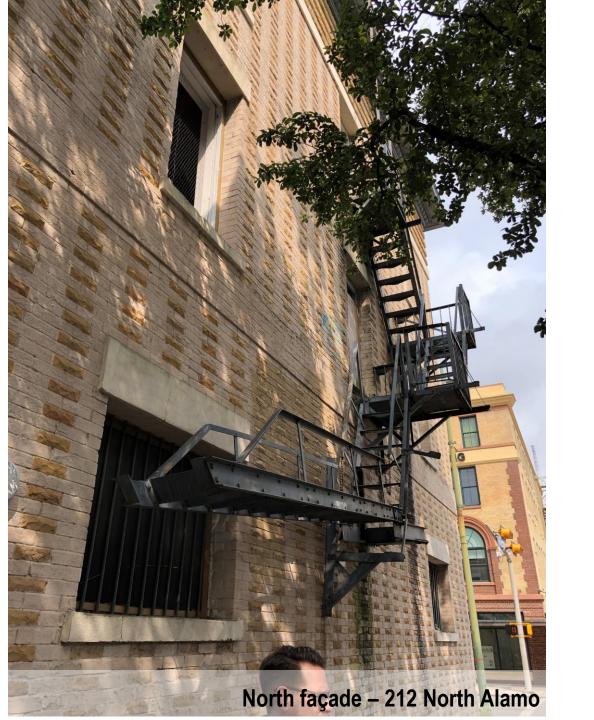
A new TPO roof with insulation is being proposed. Condensing units and any other mechanical equipment will be kept off of the roof. Walk-pads for access to maintenance areas will be installed as necessary but are not anticipated. Minimum 10-year warranty.

New construction base building elements (electrical, mechanical, restrooms, general storage) will be constructed of conventional stud and drywall assemblies. New mechanical rooms, restrooms, and other spaces with sound generating base building equipment will be sound insulated to achieve a minimum of NC-30, as measured in adjacent occupied spaces.

The building will be required to include a new fire sprinkler and alarm system. There are no visible fire protection systems in place, but this will be required due to the construction and occupancy types of this structure.

#### **END OF PROJECT DESCRIPTION**



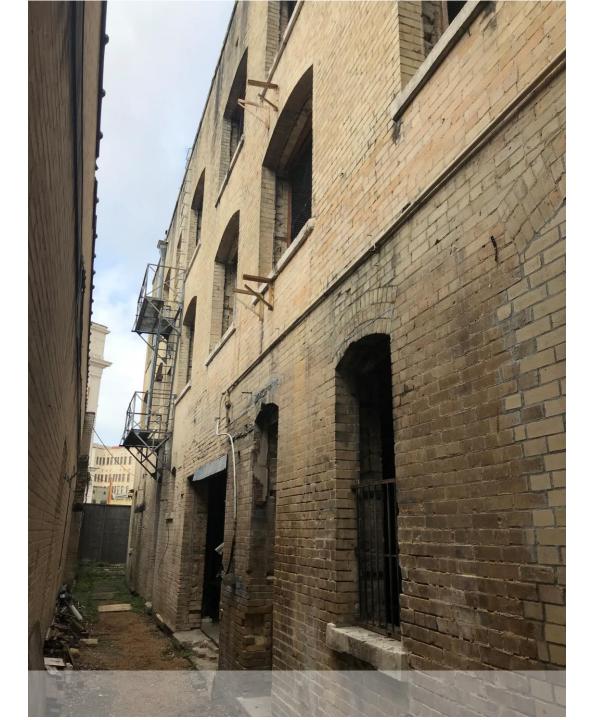


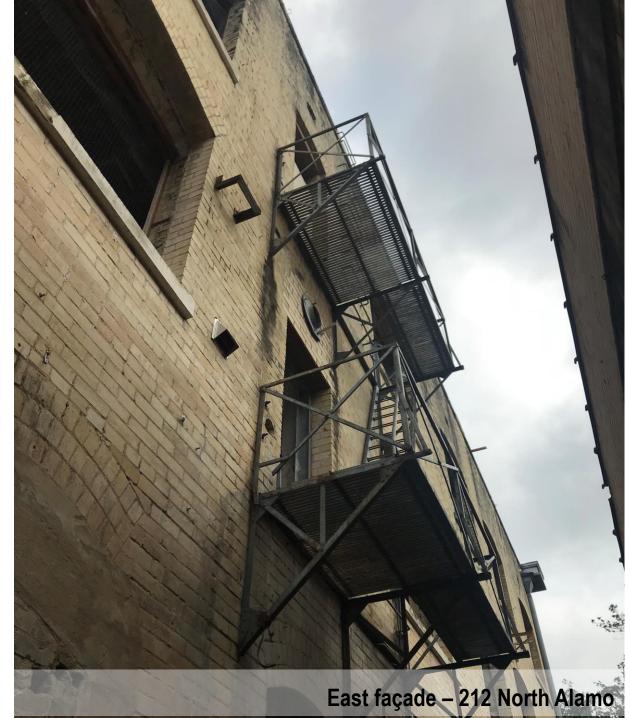


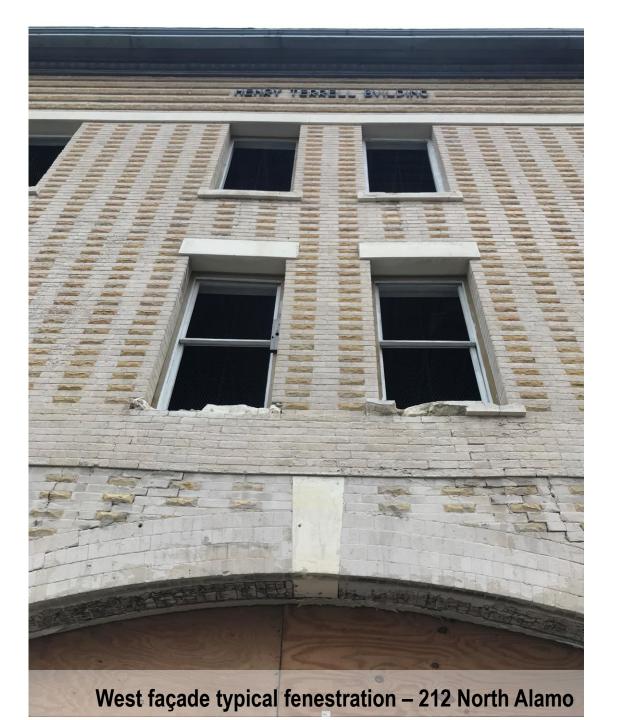




South façade – 212 North Alamo







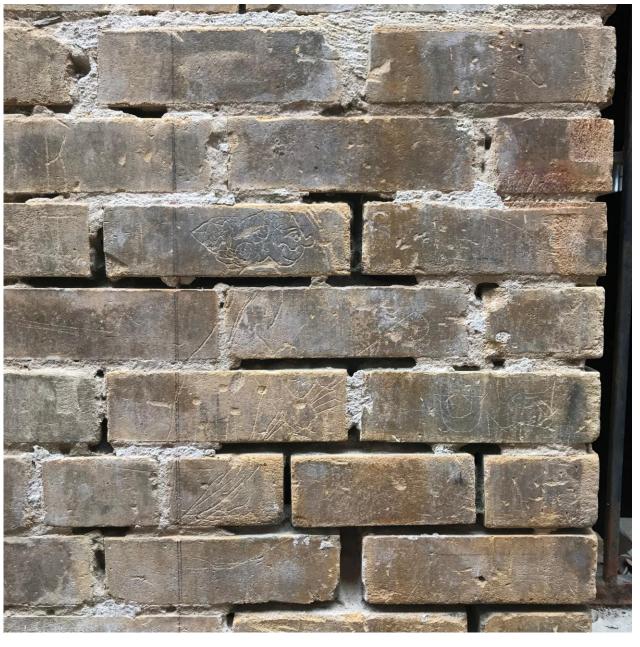






Window profile on north façade. Iron bars to be removed.





Typical window sill to be patched & repaired

Exterior brick masonry to be repointed and repaired as necessary.

- 1) THE BEARINGS FOR THIS SURVEY ARE BASED ON THE TEXAS COORDINATE SYSTEM ESTABLISHED FOR THE SOUTH CENTRAL ZONE FROM THE NORTH AMERICAN DATUM OF 1983 NAD 83 (NA2011) EPOCH 2010.00,
- 2) ILLUSTRATED UTILITIES ARE BASED ON FOUND VISIBLE EVIDENCE, PUBLIC RECORDS AND THE IN-HOUSE DESIGN FILES. THE LOCATION AND DEPTH OF EXISTING UTILITIES SHOULD BE FIELD VERIFIED BEFORE CONSTRUCTION. THE SURVEYOR DOES NOT HAVE KNOWLEDGE AS TO THE AVAILABILITY OF SERVICE TO, OR THE STATUS OF THE UTILITIES ON THIS SITE. TEXAS-811 HAS NOT BEEN CONTACTED, TELEPHONE, CABLE AND OTHER UTILITIES NOT DEPICTED ON
- ) THE SUBJECT PROPERTY IS WITHIN THE FOLLOWING FLOOD ZONE(S) AS SCALED FROM THE FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY (F.E.M.A.) FLOOD INSURANCE RATE MAP NUMBER 48029C0415G, DATED SEPTEMBER 29, 2010 FOR BEXAR COUNTY, TEXAS AND INCORPORATED AREAS. THIS DATA IS AVAILABLE ON THE WEBSITE WWW.MSC.FEMA.GOV ZONE X (UNSHADED), DEFINED AS: "OTHER AREAS; AREAS DETERMINED TO BE OUTSIDE 0.2% ANNUAL CHANCE FLOODPLAIN."
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DEED/PLAT REFERENCE

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BUILDING CORNER

### METES AND BOUNDS DESCRIPTION

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BEGINNING: AT A BUILDING CORNER ON THE SOUTHEAST RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF N. ALAMO, A 72-FOOT RIGHT-OF-WAY, A NORTH CORNER OF LOT 17, BLOCK 23, NEW CITY BLOCK 425, THREE ELEVEN THIRD SUBDIVISION RECORDED IN VOLUME 20001, PAGE 660 OF THE PLAT RECORDS OF BEXAR COUNTY, TEXAS, THE WEST CORNER OF THE HEREIN DESCRIBED TRACT;

THENCE: N 45°07'13" E, ALONG AND WITH THE SOUTHEAST RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF SAID N. ALAMO, THE NORTHWEST LINE OF SAID SISKIND FAMILY AND TRUST TRACT, A DISTANCE OF 89.97 FEET TO A FOUND BUILDING CORNER AT THE INTERSECTION OF THE SOUTHWEST RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF 3RD STREET WITH THE SOUTHEAST RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF SAID N. ALAMO, FOR THE NORTH CORNER OF SAID SISKIND FAMILY AND TRUST TRACT AND THE HEREIN DESCRIBED:

THENCE: S 45°00'41" E, DEPARTING THE SOUTHEAST RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF SAID N. ALAMO, ALONG AND WITH THE SOUTHWEST LINE OF SAID 3RD STREET, THE NORTHEAST LINE OF SAID SISKIND FAMILY AND TRUST TRACT A DISTANCE OF 47.00 FEET TO A FOUND BUILDING CORNER FOR THE NORTH CORNER OF SAID LOT 17, THE EAST CORNER OF SAID SISKIND FAMILY AND TRUST TRACT;

THENCE: DEPARTING THE SOUTHWEST RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF SAID 3RD STREET, ALONG AND WITH THE NORTHWEST LINE OF SAID LOT 17, THE SOUTHEAST LINE OF SAID SISKIND FAMILY AND TRUST TRACT,

> S 44°54'02" W, A DISTANCE OF 71.38 FEET TO A FOUND BUILDING CORNER FOR AN ANGLE POINT,

N 42°09'35" W, A DISTANCE OF 1.04 FEET TO A FOUND BUILDING CORNER FOR AN ANGLE POINT;

S 44°53'48" W. A DISTANCE OF 18.15 FEET TO A FOUND BUILDING CORNER FOR AN INTERIOR CORNER OF SAID LOT 17, THE SOUTH CORNER OF SAID SISKIND FAMILY AND TRUST TRACT AND THE HEREIN DESCRIBED TRACT;

THENCE: N 45°36'51" W, ALONG AND WITH A NORTHEAST LINE OF SAID LOT 17. THE SOUTHWEST LINE OF SAID SISKIND FAMILY AND TRUST TRACT, A DISTANCE OF 46.31 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, AND CONTAINING 0.097 OF AN ACRE IN THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO, BEXAR COUNTY, TEXAS. SAID TRACT BEING DESCRIBED IN CONJUNCTION WITH A SURVEY MADE ON THE GROUND AND A SURVEY MAP PREPARED UNDER JOB NUMBER 9062-19 BY PAPE-DAWSON ENGINEERS, INC.

**REFERENCES:** This survey was prepared in conjunction with, but not solely relying on, the Title Commitment listed below.

Alamo Title Insurance Company. Title Commitment: G.F. # sat-41-4000411900623-JG Issued Date: March 29, 2019 Effective Date: March 25, 2019 Only those matters identified in the Title Commitment and those that the surveyor was aware of at the time of this survey are shown.

1. The following restrictive covenants of record itemized below:

The following matters and all terms of the documents creating or offering evidence of the

10g. Boundary Line Agreement, as provided therein, as set out in Volume 248, Page 302, Deed Records, Bexar County, Texas. (Applies) h. Historic Designation: Verified Certificate, as provided therein, set out in Volume 16817, Page 1967, Real Property Records, Bexar County, Texas.

# LINE TABLE LINE BEARING LENGTH L1 N42°09'35"W 1.04' L2 S44°53'48"W 18.15' BACKFLOW BARRY SISKIND & NORA GARCIA, TRUSTEES OF THE SISKIND FAMILY AND TRUST VOL. 16099, PG. 801 OPR REMAINDER OF THREE STORY 0.097 OF AN ACRE (4,213 SQUARE FEET MORE OR LESS) ONE STORY (BRICK AND FRAME) BLOCK 23 NCB 425 THREE ELEVEN THIRD SUBDIVISION VOL. 20001, PG. 660 P.R.

E. TRAVIS STREET (55.6' R.O.W.)

**LOCATION MAP** NOT-TO-SCALE

> SYMBOL LEGEND GAS METER GAS VALVE  $\Diamond$ ADVERTISING/ROAD/UTILITY SIGN WITH DESCRIPTION SANITARY SEWER MANHOLE STORM DRAIN MANHOLE ★ SL STREET LIGHT TLS U/G COMMUNICATION LINE SIGN TRP TRAFFIC POLE UP UTILITY POLE UPT UTILITY POLE W/TRANSFORMER WATER METER WATER VALVE SANITARY SEWER CLEANOUT A.T.&T. MANHOLE UNKNOWN UTILITY MANHOLE

I hereby certify to: Clearinghouse CDFI; Barry Siskind and Nora Garcia, Trustees of the Siskind Family Trust; and Alamo Title Insurance Company.

This map or plat and the survey on which it is based were made in accordance with the 2016 Minimum Standard Detail Requirements for ALTA/NSPS Land Title Surveys, jointly established and adopted by ALTA and NSPS, and includes Items 1-4, 6(a), 8 and 9 of table A thereof. The field work was completed on April 8, 2019.

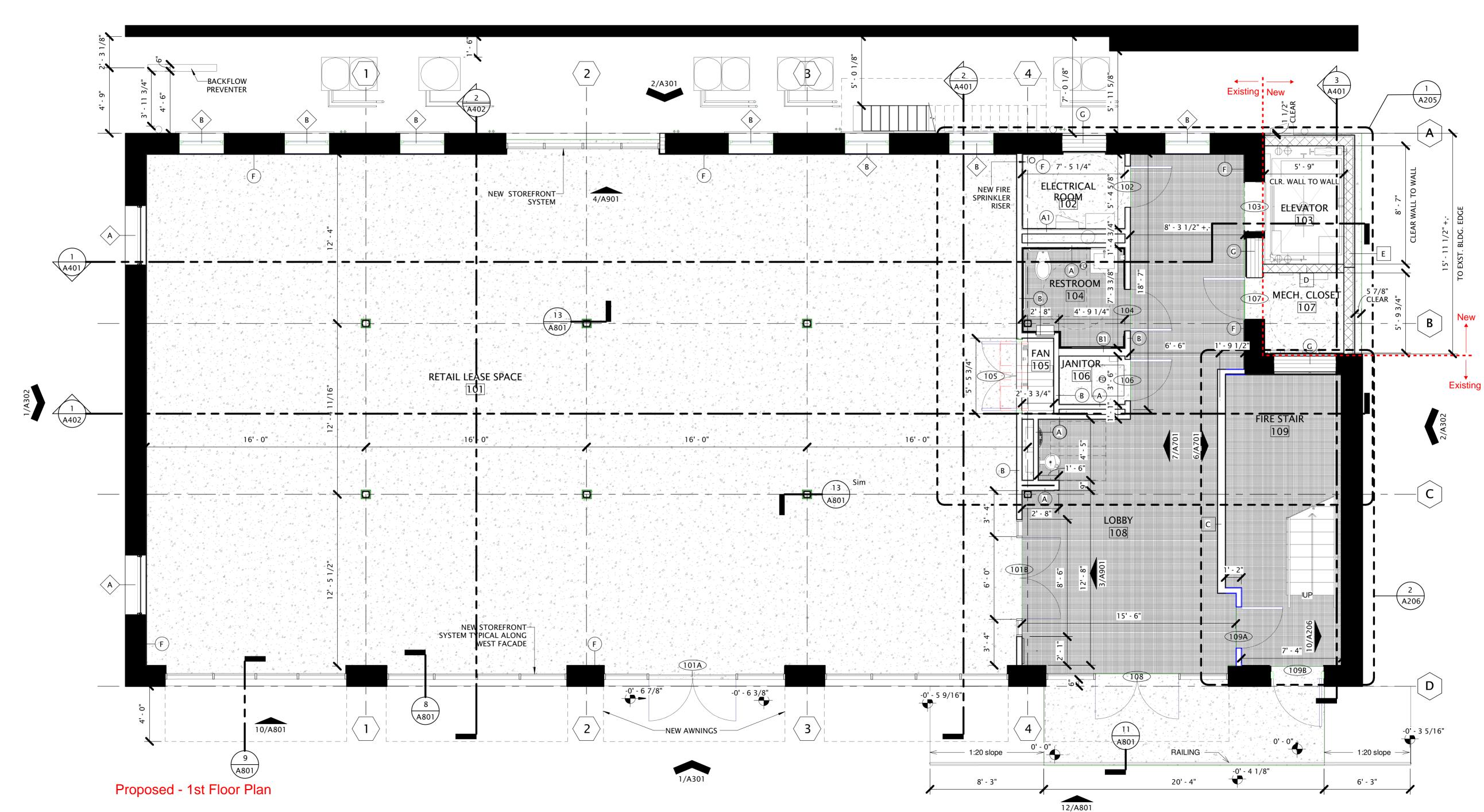
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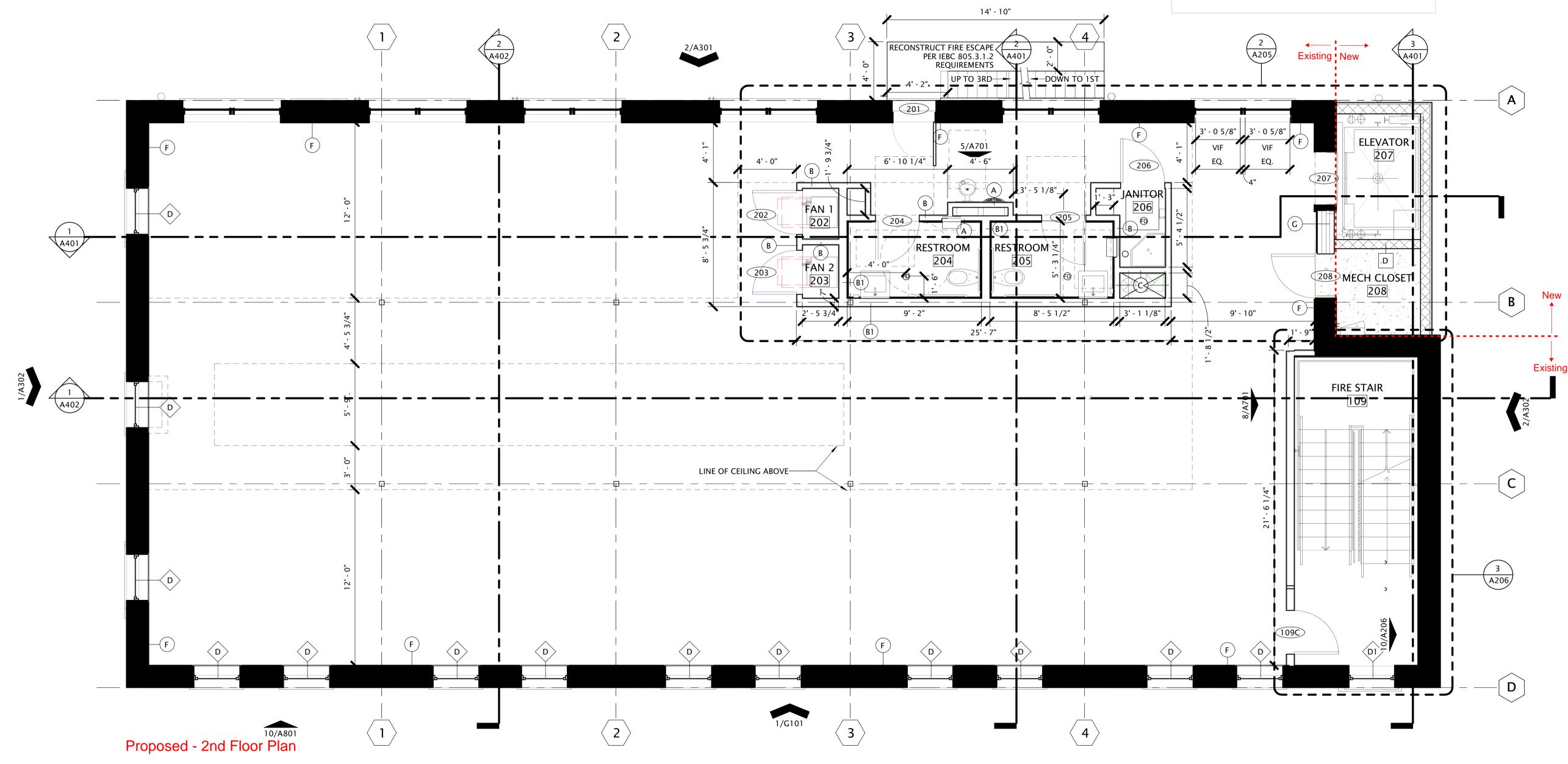
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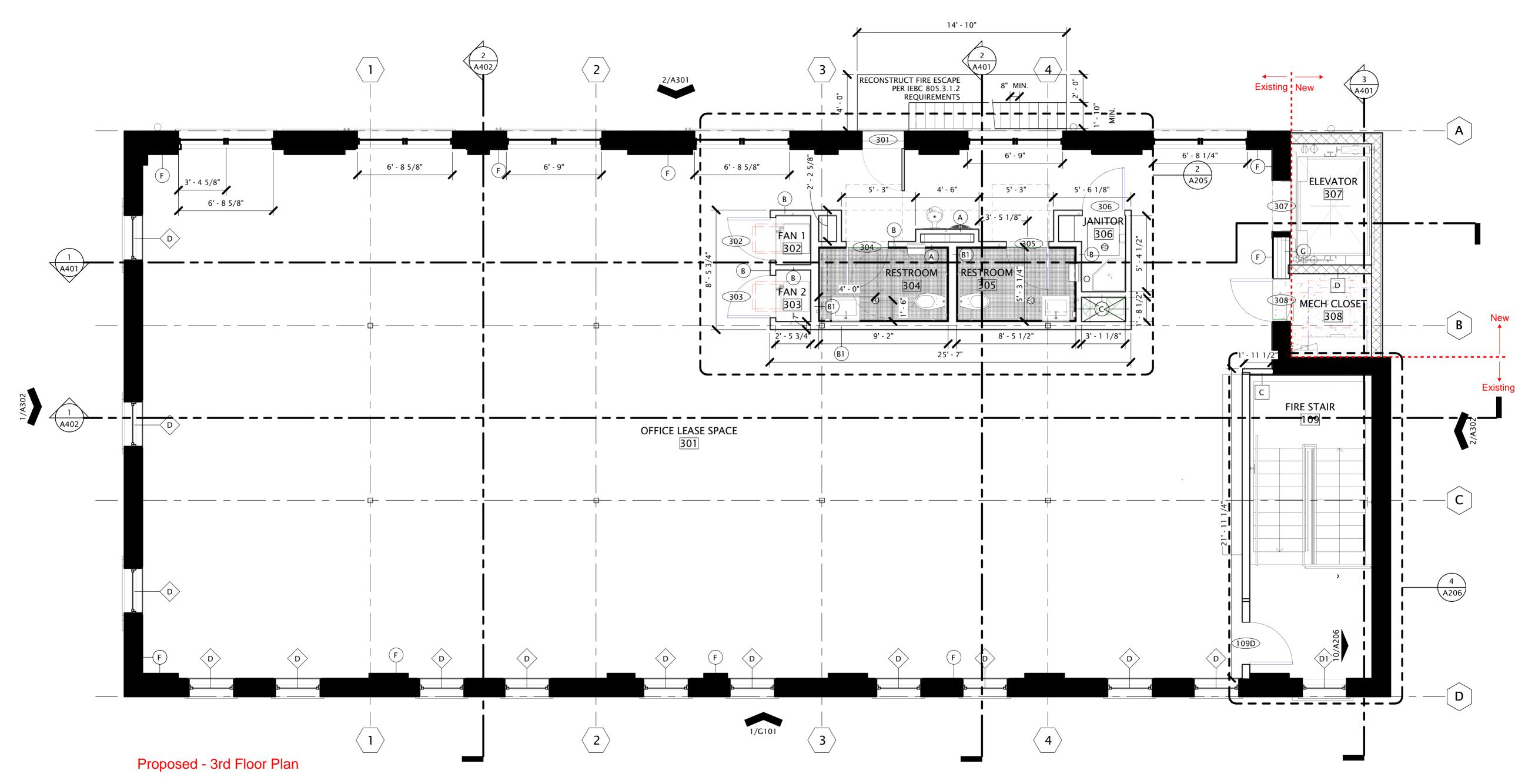
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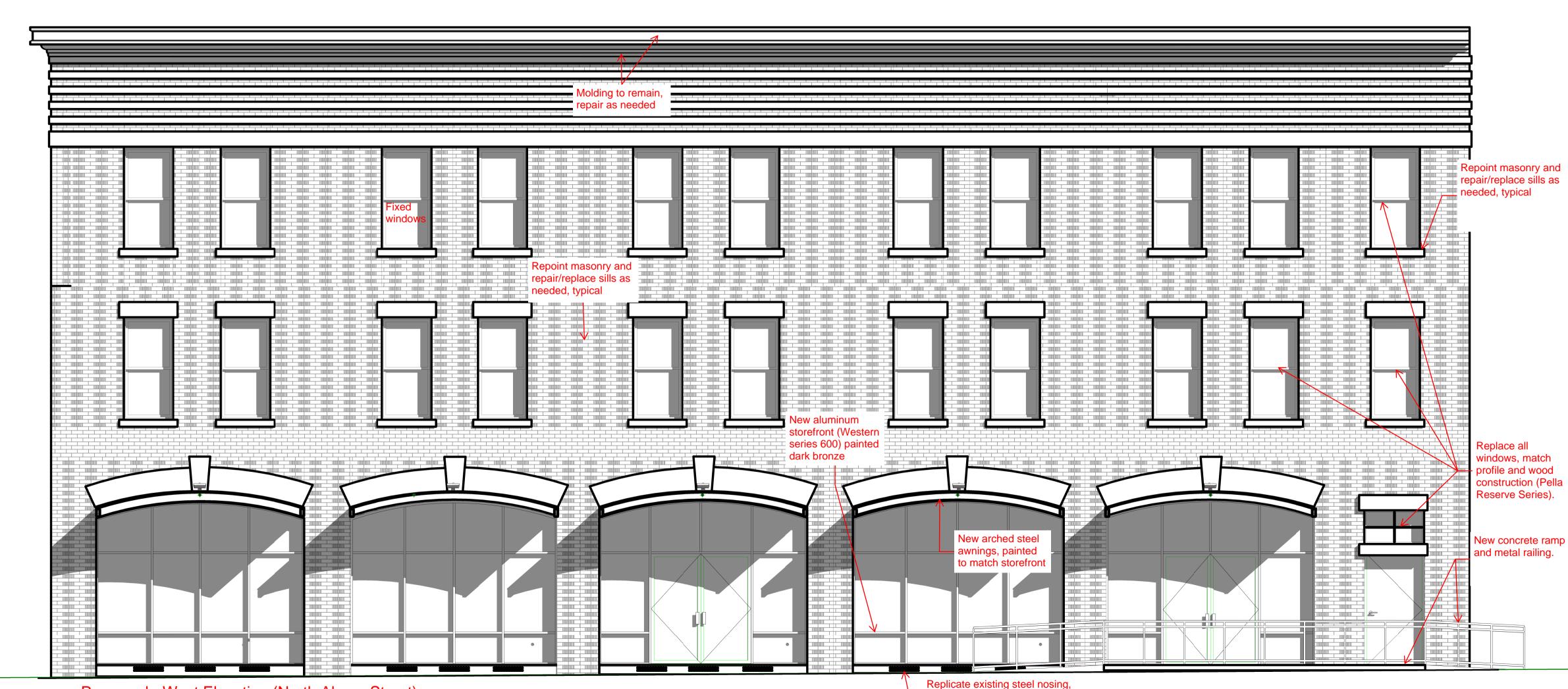
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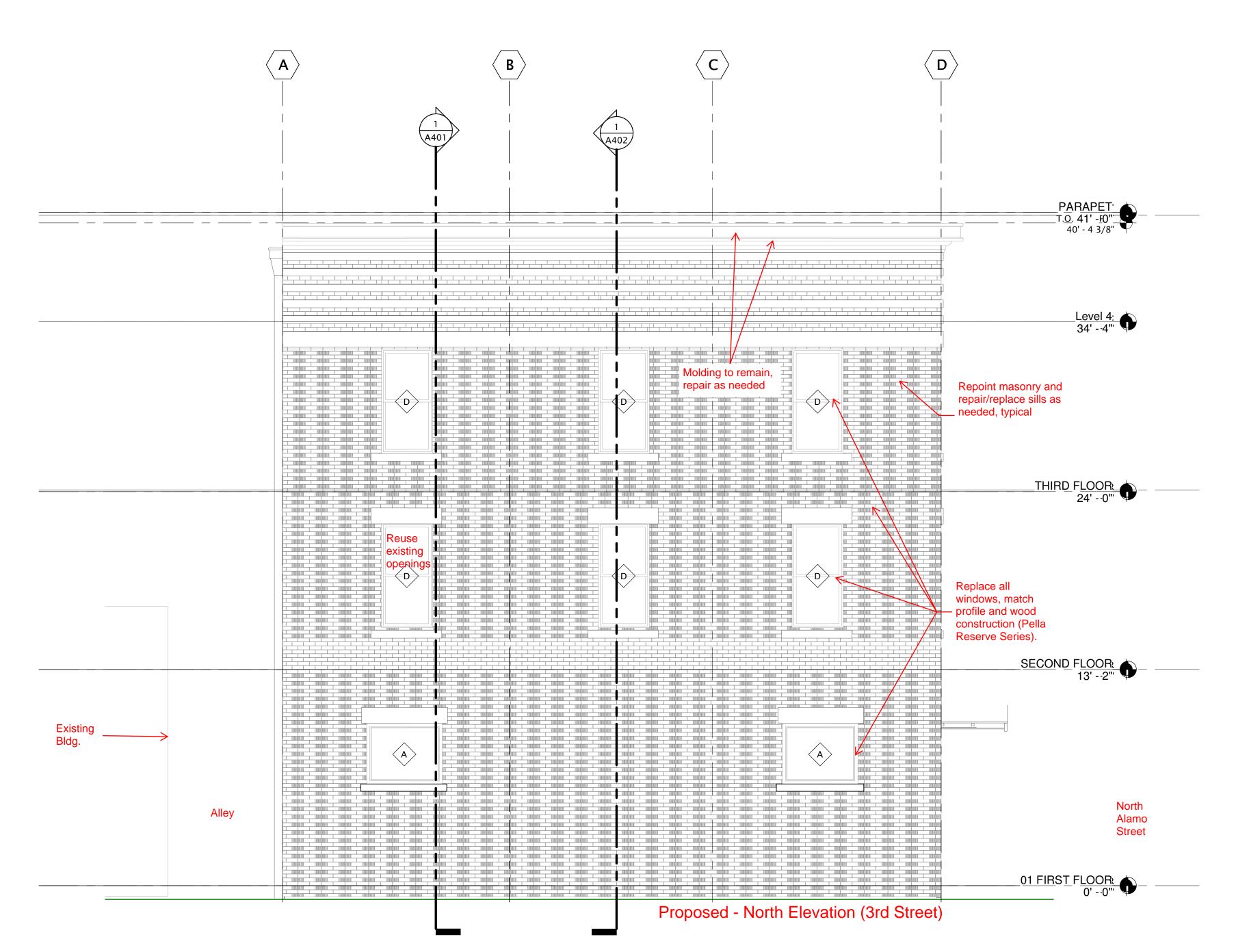


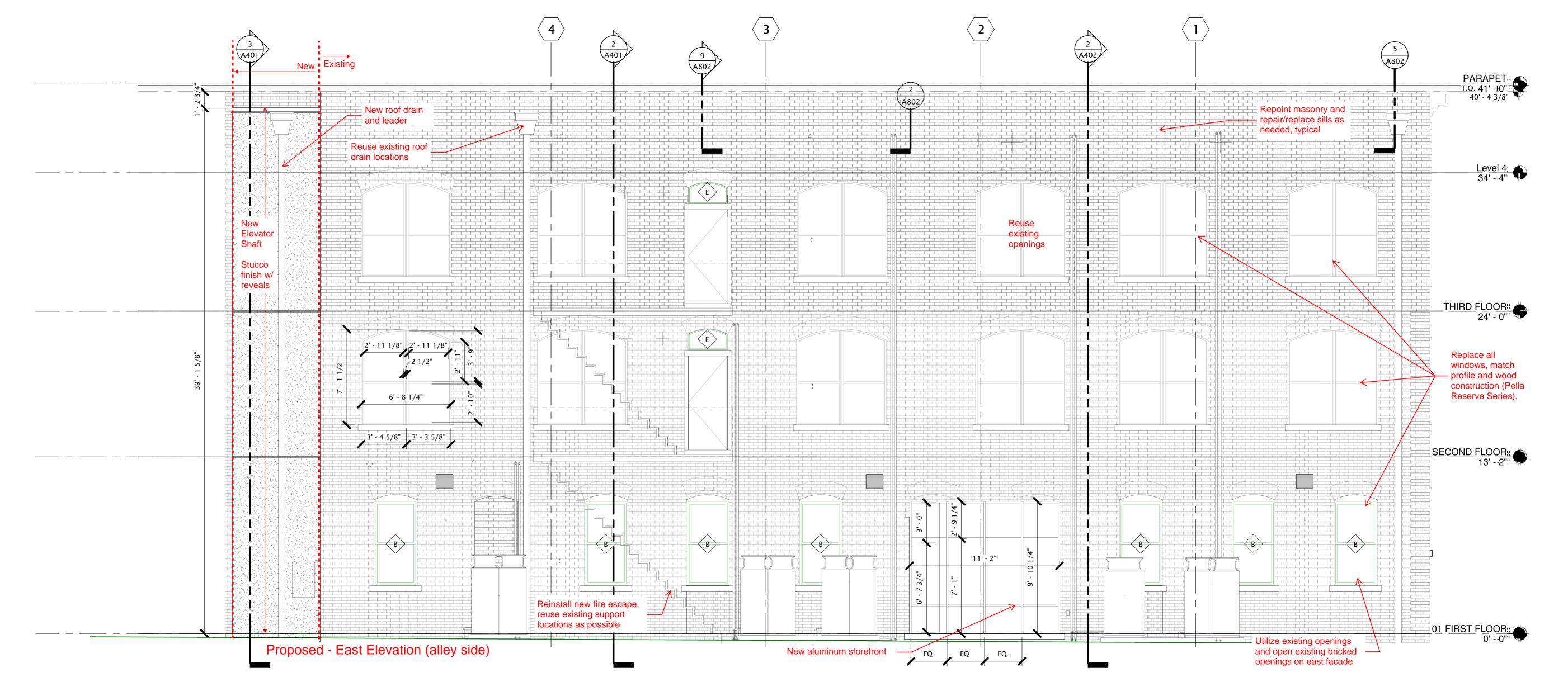


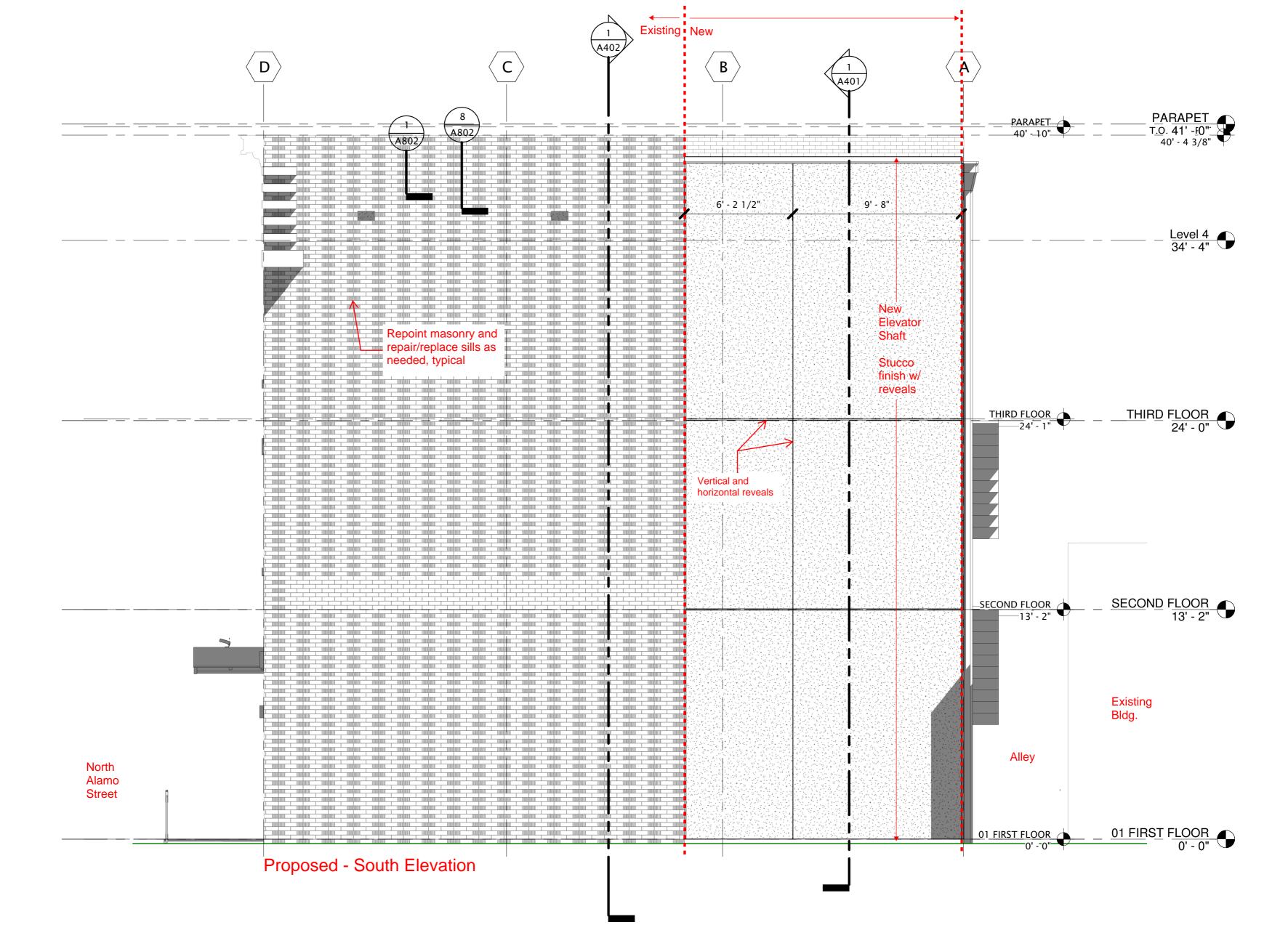




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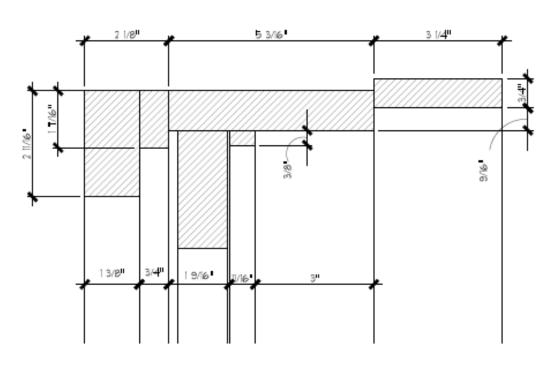




Double Pane -Insulated Glass Unit will be used

Pella Traditional, Reserve Series - Fixed Wood Windows

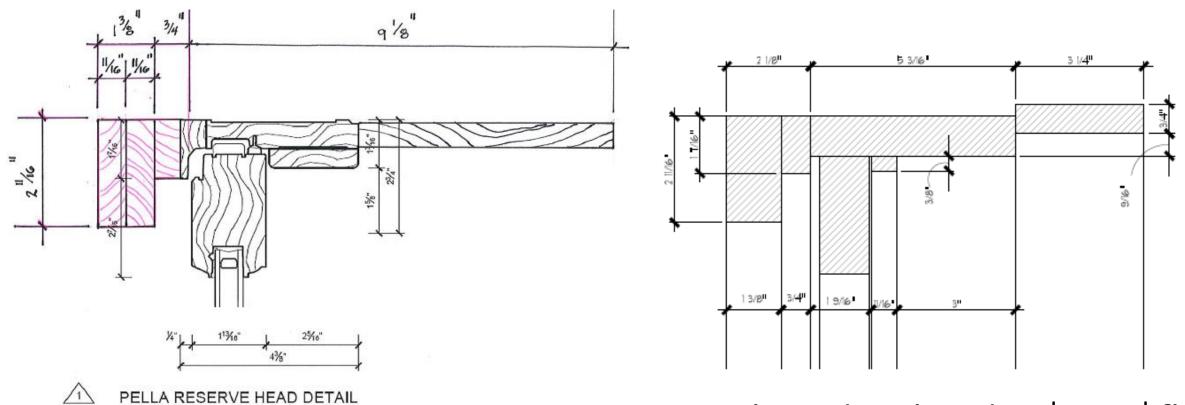




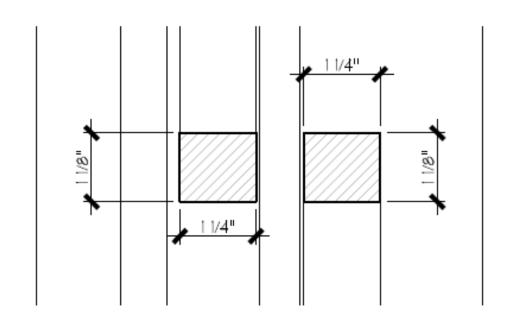
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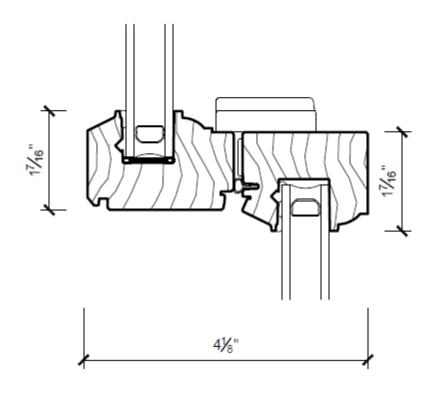
- All Wood
- Exterior Trim: 1-3/8" x 2-11/16"
- Blind Stop: 3/4" x 1-7/16"
- Sash Height: 3"
- Frame Depth: 9-1/8"

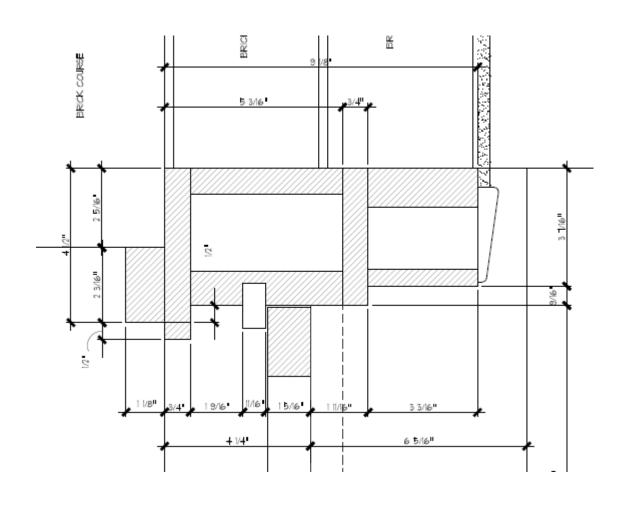
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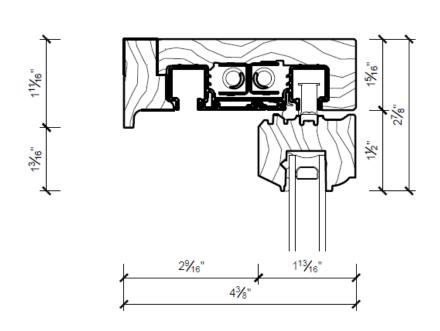


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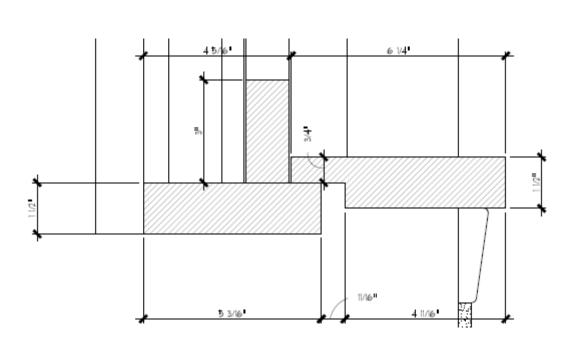




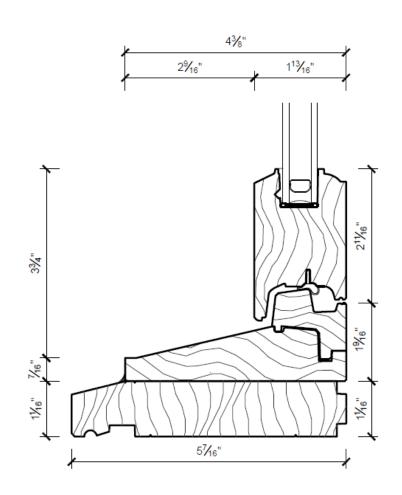


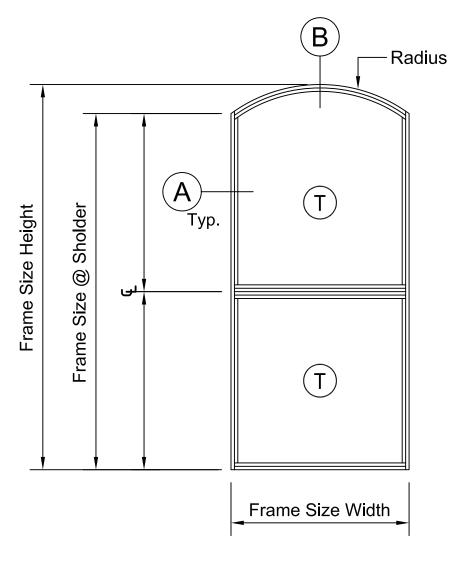


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Typical window sill 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> floor





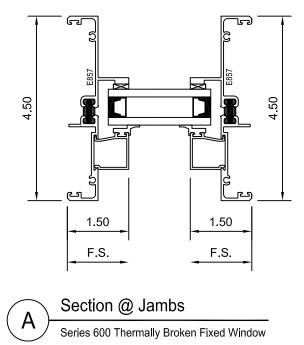
- Equal Leg Block Frame
- Poured & De-Bridged For Thermal Break
- Tempered Dual Pane Glass

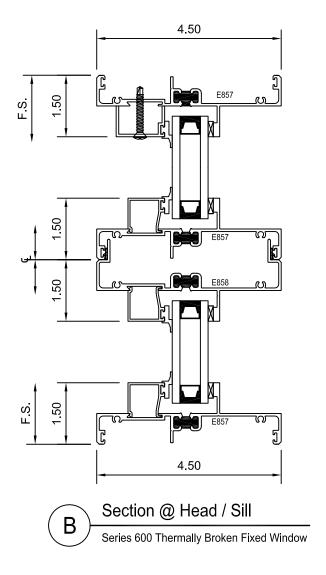
All storefront on the 1st floor will utilize this system, we are using an aluminum framed system. The frames will be painted a dark bronze color.

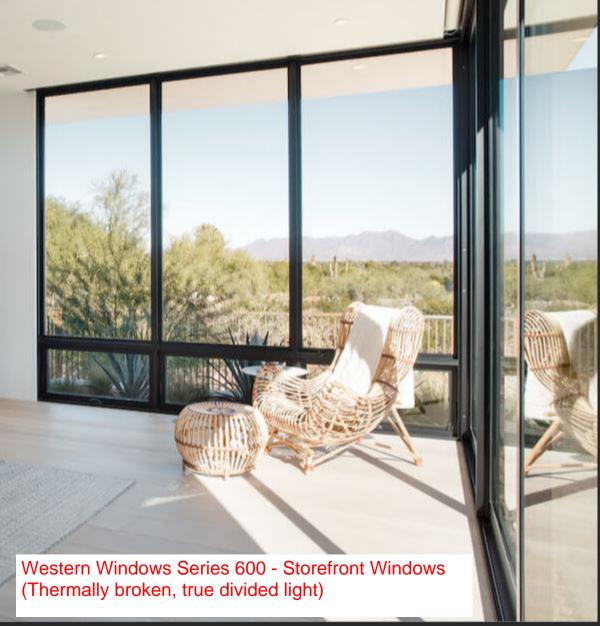


Western Windows Series 600 - Storefront Windows (Thermally broken, true divided light)

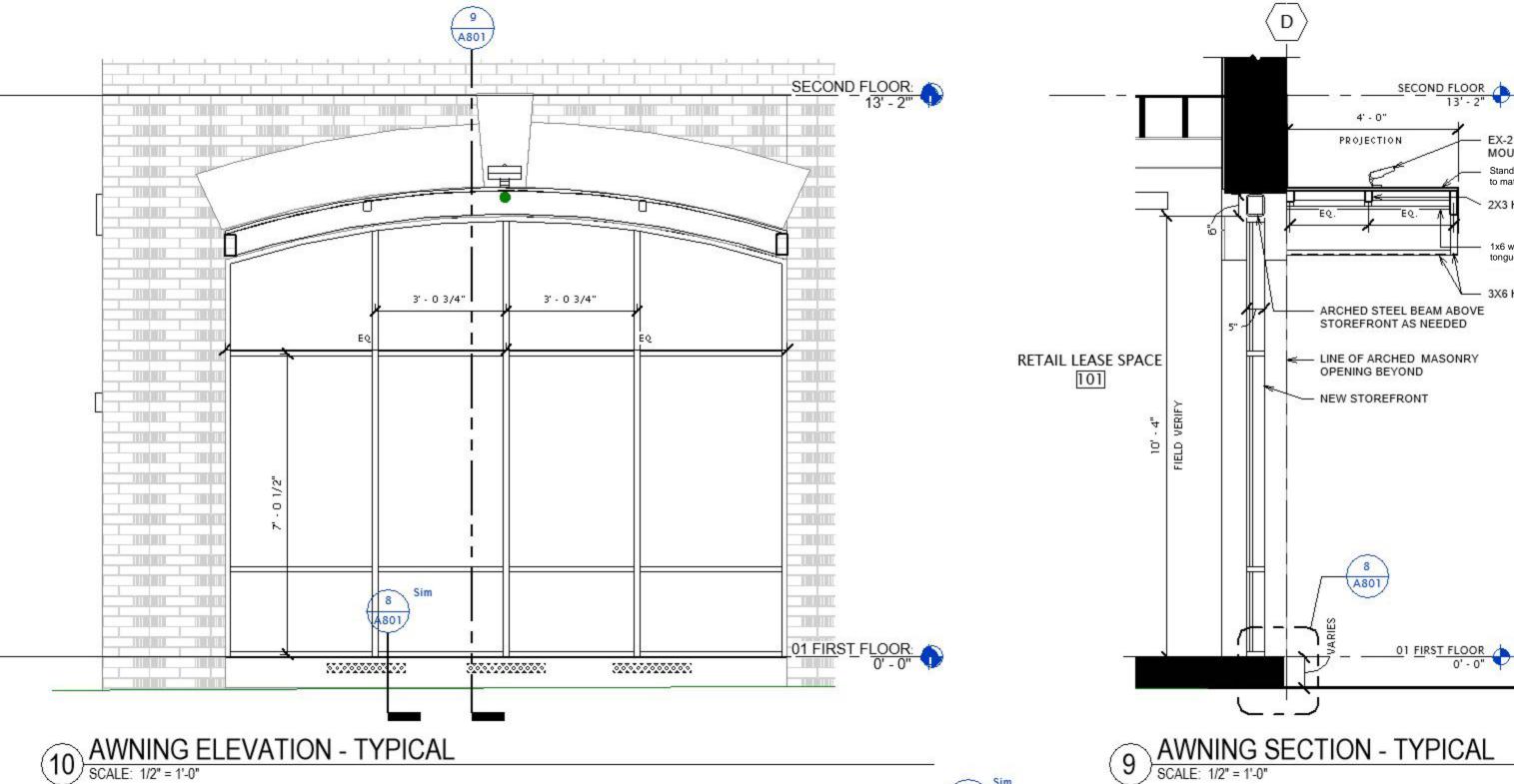
Series 600 Fixed Window - (Thermally Broken)











EX-2 UPLIGHT

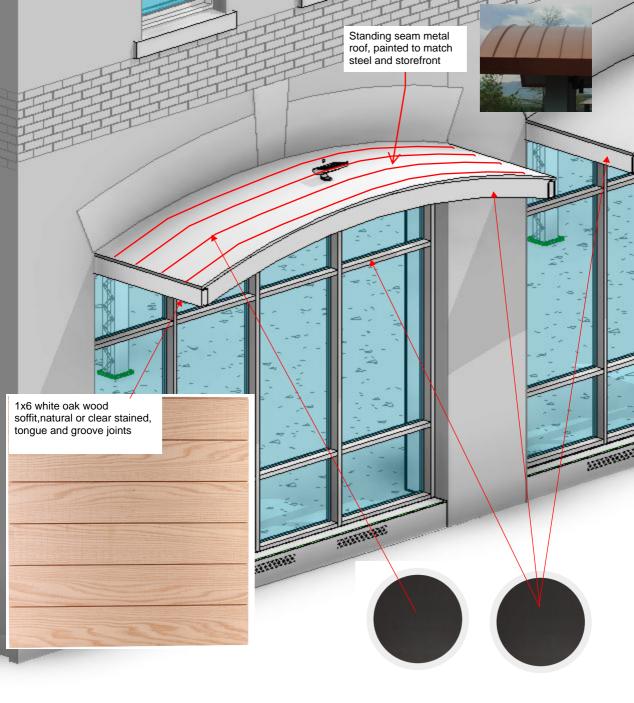
MOUNTED ON AWNING

1x6 white oak wood soffit,

tongue and groove joints

3X6 HSS, PAINTED

Standing seam metal roof, painted to match steel and storefront 2X3 HSS (CONCEALED)



Awning 3d View - Awning steel to be powder coated to match storefront.