

CITY OF GLENDALE, CA

DESIGN REVIEW STAFF REPORT - SINGLE FAMILY

May 31, 2023 1434 E. Maple Street

Decision Date Address

Administrative Design Review (ADR) 5683-003-016

Review Type APN

PADR-000877-2023 Brendan Cox
Case Number Applicant

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Case Planner Owner

Project Summary

The project proposes a new two-story, 3,604 square-foot two-unit multi-family residential dwelling unit with attached garages on the ground level located at the rear of a 9,000 square-foot lot. Presently, the lot is developed with a one-story single-family-dwelling at the front of the lot, which will remain. The new two-unit structure features two, two-car attached garages (one per unit) on the ground level located behind the existing house.

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION: The project is exempt from CEQA review as a Class 3 "New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures" exemption, pursuant to Section 15303 (b) of the State CEQA Guidelines because the proposal is in an urbanized area and proposes the construction of a new two-unit multi-family residential building.

Existing Property/Background

Originally developed in 1950 with a single-family house, the project site is a 9,000 square-foot rectangular lot with 40-feet of frontage on E. Maple Street. The existing dwelling is a one-story, 790 square-foot single-family residence with an attached two-car garage. The subject site is located in southeast Glendale on the southern side of E. Maple Road and east of S. Verdugo Road. The neighborhood features a mix of single- and multi-family residences, with several two-story multi-family developments. The four properties directly surrounding the subject site are developed with two-story multi-family buildings.

The site contains two driveways: a 20-foot long driveway on the west side, leading directly to the attached garage of the single-family-dwelling, and a second, much longer driveway on the eastern side that leads to the rear of the property—both are accessed from E. Maple Street.

Early Glendale permit records show a new garage was constructed in 1921 and labelled as a "temporary dwelling." An additional garage permit was pulled in 1926 at the rear of the property. The existing 1,033 square-foot house with an attached garage were built

circa 1950, and the rear part of the lot has remained vacant. The existing house does not appear to be eligible for designation at the local, state, or federal level and is therefore not considered a historic resource under CEQA.
Staff Recommendation Approve with Conditions
Last Date Reviewed / Decision First time submittal for final review.
Zone: R2250 Although this design review does not convey final zoning approval, the project has been reviewed for consistency with the applicable Codes and no inconsistencies have been identified.
Active/Pending Permits and Approvals None.
Site Slope and Grading Less than 50% current average slope and less than 1500 cubic yards of earth movement (cut and/or fill); no additional review required.
DESIGN ANALYSIS
Site Planning Are the following items satisfactory and compatible with the project site and surrounding area?
Building Location ⊠ yes □ n/a □ no
If "no" select from below and explain: ☐ Setbacks of buildings on site ☐ Prevailing setbacks on the street ☐ Building and decks follow topography ☐ Alteration of landform minimized
Yards and Usable Open Space ⊠ yes □ n/a □ no
If "no" select from below and explain: □ Avoid altering landform to create flat yards □ Outdoor areas integrated into open space □ Use of retaining walls minimized □ Provide landscaping to reduce visual impact of retaining walls □ Decorative material used for retaining walls to blend into landscape

and/or complement the building design

Garage Location and Driveway ⊠ yes □ n/a □ no
If "no" select from below and explain: ☐ Consistent with predominant pattern on street ☐ Compatible with primary structure
 □ Permeable paving material □ Decorative paving
Access to the new the garage is provided from an existing concrete driveway that is accessed from E. Maple Street. As a consideration, the concrete driveway should incorporate decorative paving elements (such as brick, stone, stamped concrete) to enhance the appearance viewed from the street.
Landscape Design ⊠ yes □ n/a □ no
If "no" select from below and explain: ☐ Complementary to building design and surrounding site ☐ Maintains existing trees when possible ☐ Maximizes permeable surfaces ☐ Appropriately sized and located
Walls and Fences ⊠ yes □ n/a □ no
If "no" select from below and explain: ☐ Appropriate style/color/material ☐ Perimeter walls treated at both sides ☐ Retaining walls minimized ☐ Appropriately sized and located ☐ Stormwater runoff minimized A wood picket fence is proposed to dilineate outdoor space between the two units on the eastern side of the property.

Determination of Compatibility: Site Planning

The proposed site planning is appropriate, as modified by any proposed conditions, to the site and its surroundings for the following reasons:

- The new two-story residential building and attached garages are appropriately located at the rear of the site.
- The new units will be integrated with the existing site conditions and relate to the existing front welling and surrounding properties in the neighborhood.
- The proposed building is appropriately setback from the existing primary residence and property lines.
- The site provides the required landscaping and incorporates pavers and required private and outdoor common open space..

because it respects the front house and adjoining properties through setback as recommended by the Comprehensive Design Guidelines. Also, areas not occupied by buildings will be landscaped with the exception of the driveways and walkways. Massing and Scale Are the following items satisfactory and compatible with the project site and surrounding area? **Building Relates to its Surrounding Context** ⊠ yes □ n/a □ no If "no" select from below and explain: ☐ Appropriate proportions and transitions ☐ Impact of larger building minimized **Building Relates to Existing Topography** ⊠ yes □ n/a □ no If "no" select from below and explain: ☐ Form and profile follow topography ☐ Alteration of existing land form minimized ☐ Retaining walls terrace with slope **Consistent Architectural Concept** ⊠ yes □ n/a □ no If "no" select from below and explain: ☐ Concept governs massing and height **Scale and Proportion** yes □ n/a □ no If "no" select from below and explain: ☐ Scale and proportion fit context ☐ Articulation avoids overbearing forms ☐ Appropriate solid/void relationships ☐ Entry and major features well located ☐ Avoids sense of monumentality **Roof Forms** □ yes □ n/a ⊠ no If "no" select from below and explain: ☐ Roof reinforces design concept □ Configuration appropriate to context

Overall, the placement of the new building at the rear of the site is appropriate

For better design integration, a condition is included to revise the roof plan to ensure that all roof eaves have the same depth and consider adding layers to the roof form to be more consistent with the primary dwelling, removing the tacked-on gables above the patios if necessary. And bring the roof on the first-story all the way to the second-story balconies for a more natural flow.

Determination of Compatibility: Mass and Scale

⊠ ves □ n/a

□ no

☐ Design provides appropriate focal point

If "no" select from below and explain:

☐ Well integrated into design

☐ Avoids sense of monumentality

☐ Doors appropriate to design

The proposed massing and scale are appropriate, as modified by any proposed conditions, to the site and its surroundings for the following reasons:

- The new building is located behind the existing front unit, which is appropriately setback from the street. Having this generous setback appropriately punches the taller new mass toward the rear of the site and will respect the single-family house at the front and adjoining properties.
- Overall, the proposed building's mass and scale, its overall height of approximately 24 feet, proportions, and architectural concept of the project are consistent with the existing residence and the neighborhood context.
- The facades of the new units minimize a boxy profile through the use of varying forms, offsets and recesses. A mix of materials, stucco and stone cladding at the base integrates with the existing house and the neighborhood context. design shows articulation in the building forms. The front entry doors and balconies are pushed in creating movement in the building.
- The new building is designed with a hipped roof form. For better design integration with the existing house, a condition is included to revise the roof form and provide a better overall design that more naturally match the primary dwelling.

Design and Detailing

Are the following items satisfactory and compatible with the project site and surrounding area?

Overall Design and Detailing

☑ yes ☐ n/a ☐ no

If "no" select from below and explain:

☐ Consistent architectural concept

☐ Proportions appropriate to project and surrounding neighborhood

☐ Appropriate solid/void relationships

Entryway

Windows □ n/a □ no
If "no" select from below and explain: □ Appropriate to overall design □ Placement appropriate to style □ Recessed in wall, when appropriate
Privacy ⊠ yes □ n/a □ no
If "no" select from below and explain: ☐ Consideration of views from "public" rooms and balconies/decks ☐ Avoid windows facing adjacent windows
Finish Materials and Color ☑ yes □ n/a □ no
If "no" select from below and explain: ☐ Textures and colors reinforce design ☐ High-quality, especially facing the street ☐ Respect articulation and façade hierarchy ☐ Wrap corners and terminate appropriately ☐ Natural colors appropriate to hillside area
Paving Materials ☑ yes □ n/a □ no
If "no" select from below and explain: □ Decorative material at entries/driveways □ Permeable paving when possible □ Material and color related to design
Lighting, Equipment, Trash, and Drainage ☐ yes ☐ n/a ☒ no
 If "no" select from below and explain: □ Light fixtures appropriately located/avoid spillover and over-lit facades □ Light fixture design appropriate to project □ Equipment screened and well located □ Trash storage out of public view □ Downspouts appropriately located □ Vents, utility connections integrated with design, avoid primary facades

Lighting detail is not depicted on the plans. A condition is included to provide a cut sheet corresponding to proposed light on the new building and show lighting on the new building for staff review and approval.

Ancillary	/ Structu	ıres	
□ yes	⊠ n/a	□ no	
If "no" se	lect from	below and explain:	
□ Desi	ign consis	stent with primary structure	
□ Desi	ign and m	naterials of gates complemen	t primary structure

Determination of Compatibility: Design and Detailing

The proposed design and detailing are appropriate, as modified by any proposed conditions, to the site and its surroundings for the following reasons:

- Overall, the design and detailing of the new building at the rear are compatible with the contemporary style of the existing house through the use of architectural treatments, materials, windows, and colors.
- The new unit will feature an asphalt shingle roof material, and the exterior walls will be stucco with new stone cladding at the base and vine trellis frames on all four facades. Overall, the proposed color material palette integrates well with other buildings in the neighborhood, which are painted with neutral colors. The proposed design and materials are compatible with and appropriate to the existing style of the house on the site and the neighborhood.

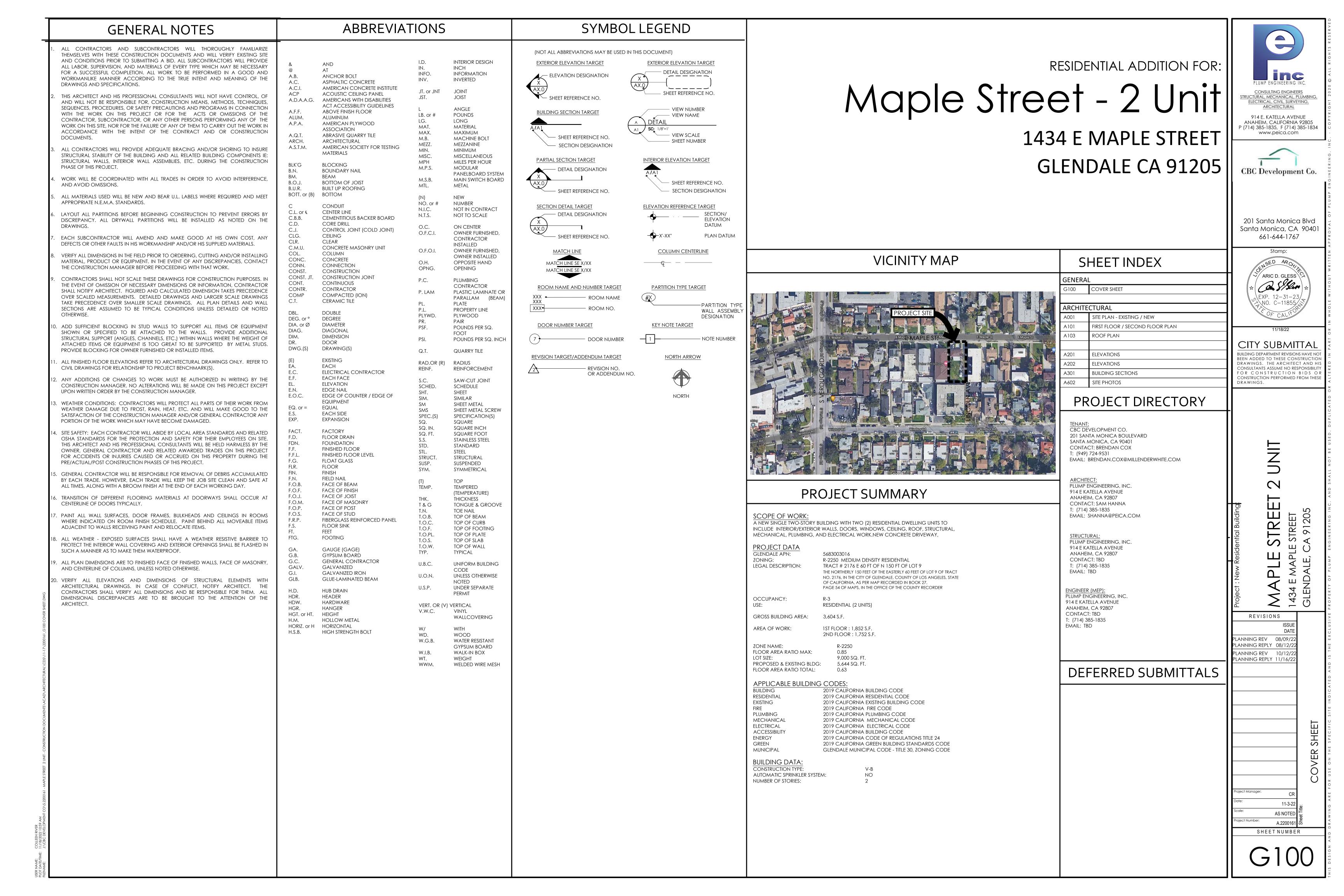
Recommendation / Draft Record of Decision

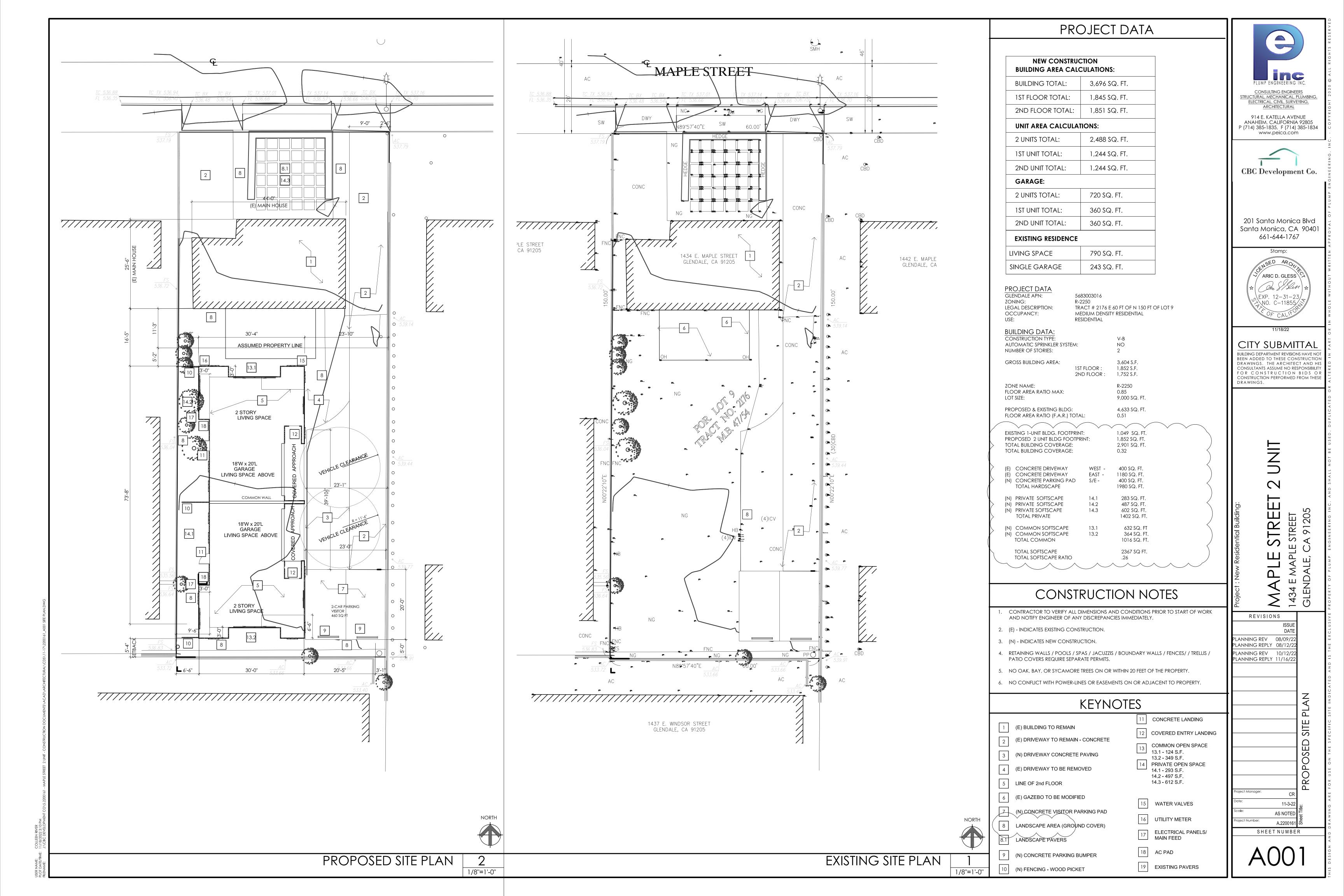
Based on the above analysis, staff recommends **Approval.** This determination is based on the implementation of the following recommended conditions:

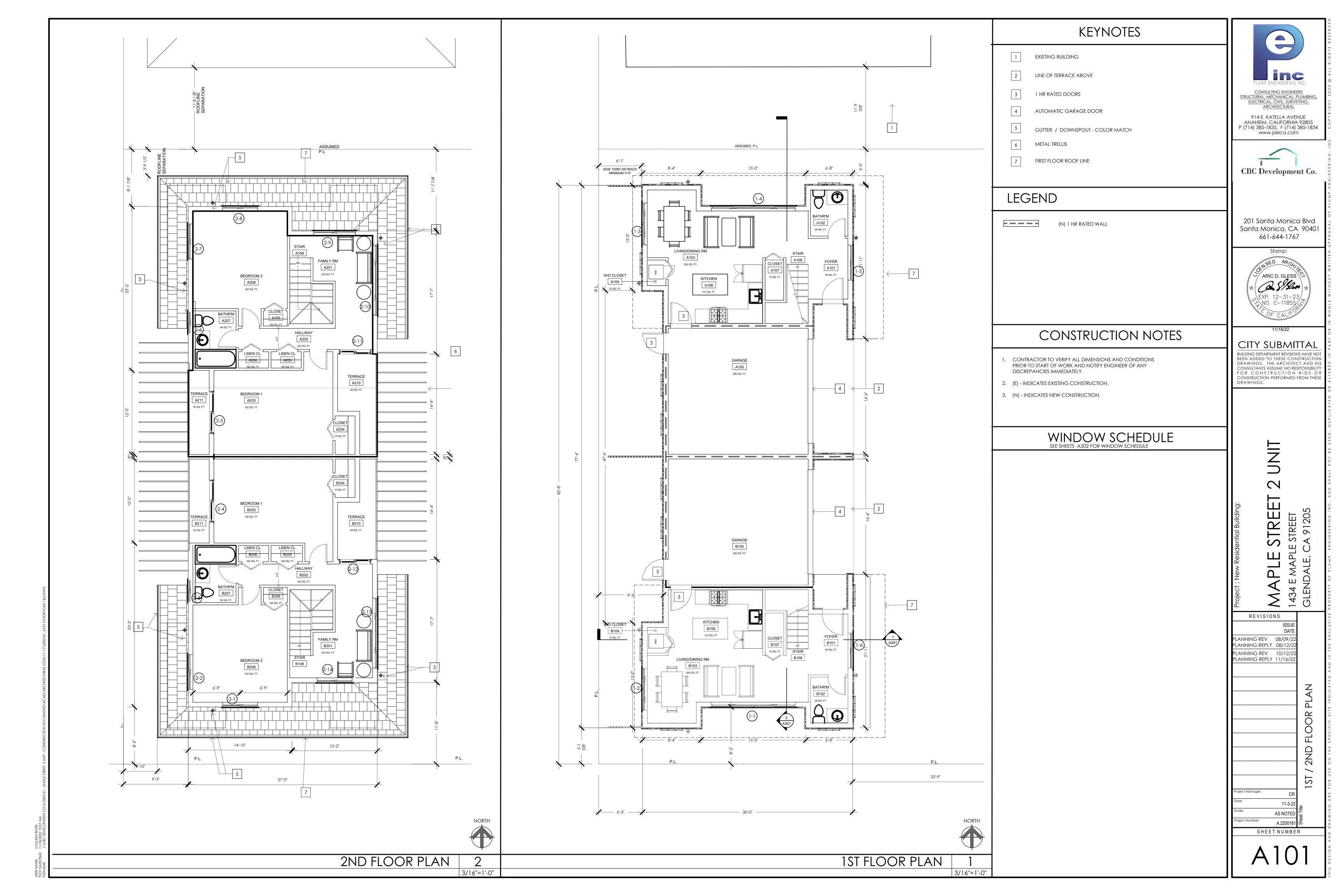
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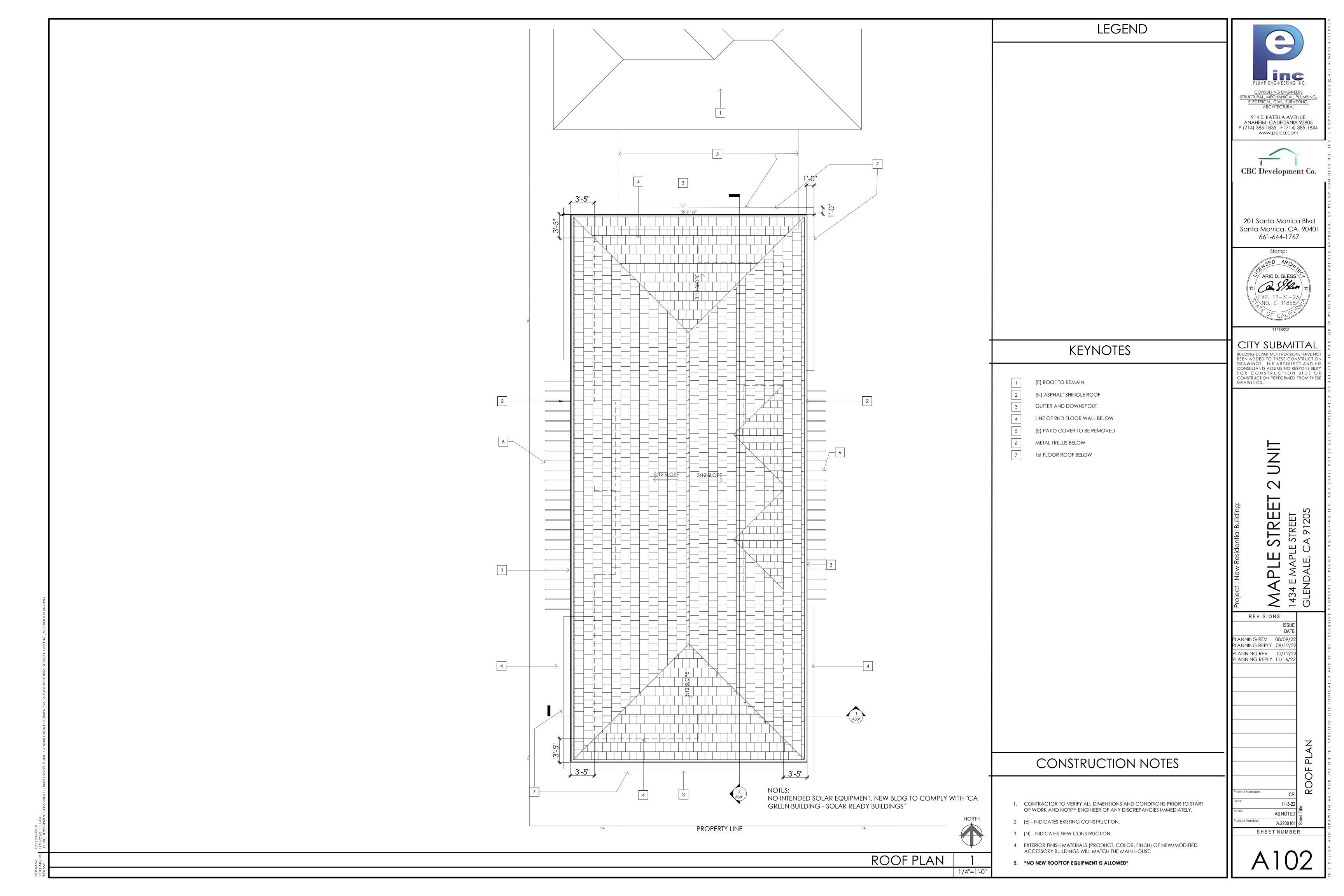
- 1. Revise the roof plan to ensure that all roof eaves have the same depth and consider adding layers to the roof form to be more consistent with the primary dwelling, removing the tacked-on gables above the patios if necessary. And bring the roof on the first-story all the way to the second-story balconies for a more natural flow.
- 2. That specifications (cut sheets) for the exterior lighting fixtures on the new building and locations shall be submitted to staff for review and approval prior to plan check submittal. The exterior lighting should be appropriate to and consistent with the style of the new building; limit their location to the main entry and patio doors.
- 3. Paint the gutters to match the adjacent wall color.
- 4. That all new fences/wall/gates be clearly shown on the plans for staff review and approval prior to plan check submittal.

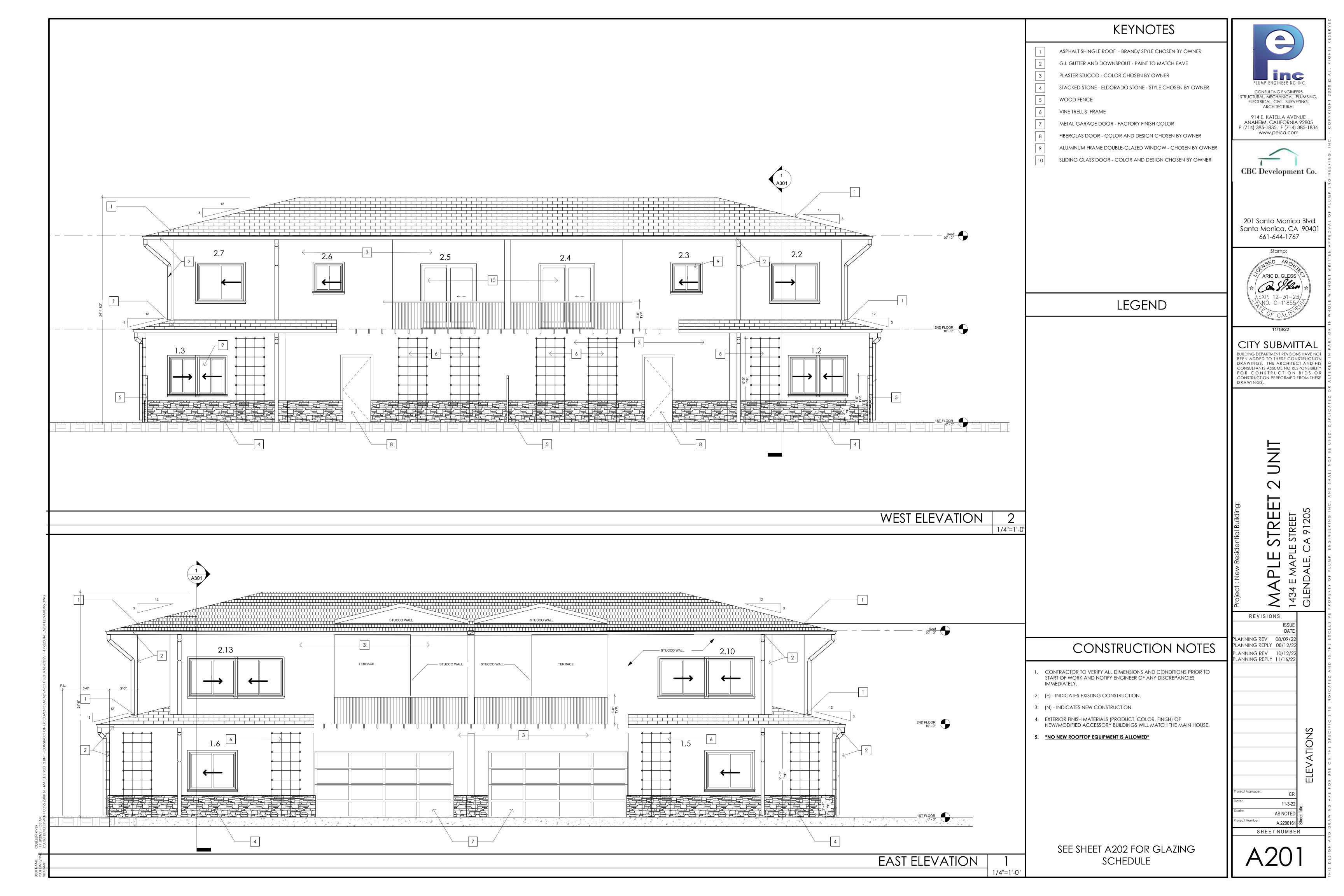
- 1. Reduced Plans
- 2. Location Map
- 3. Photos

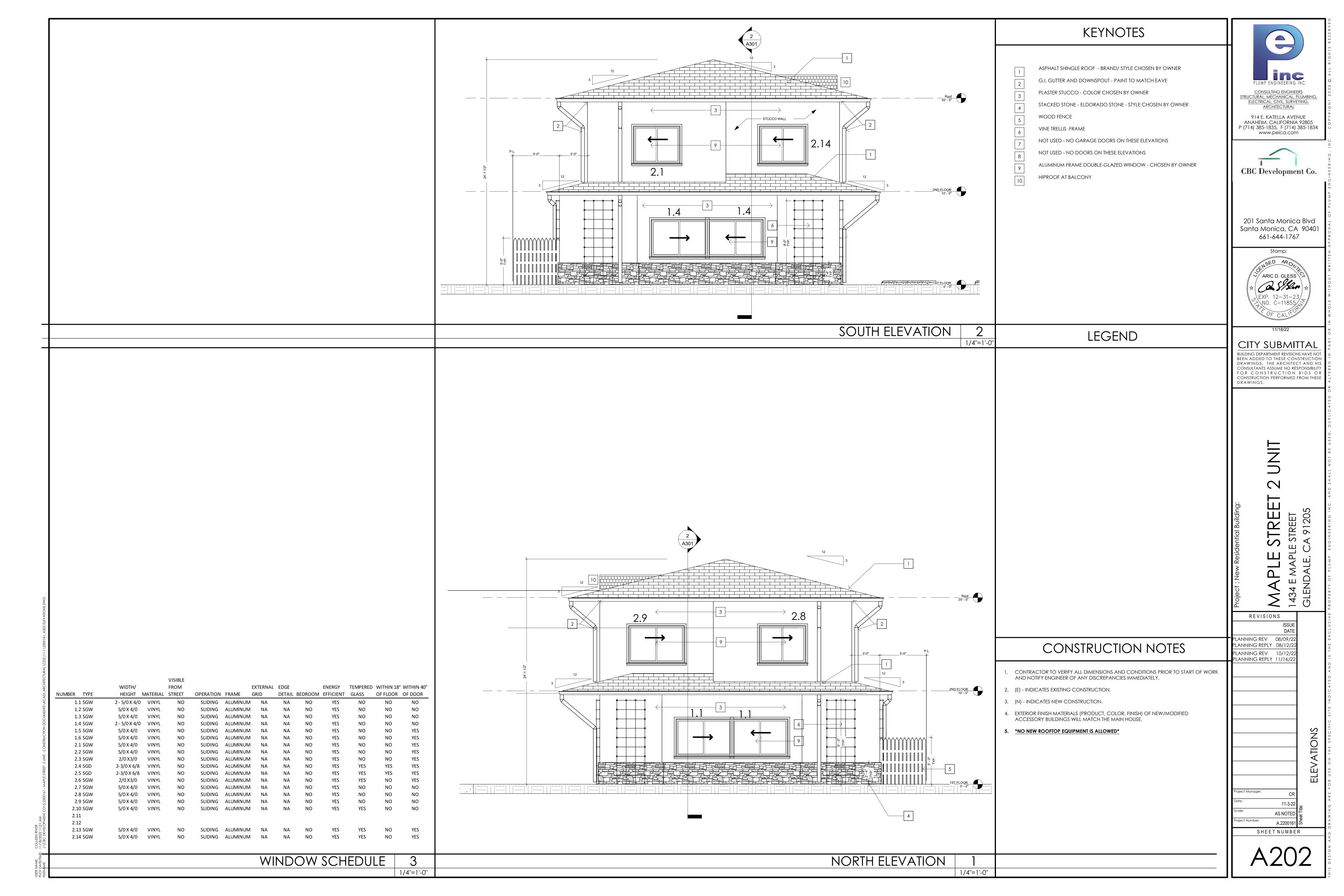


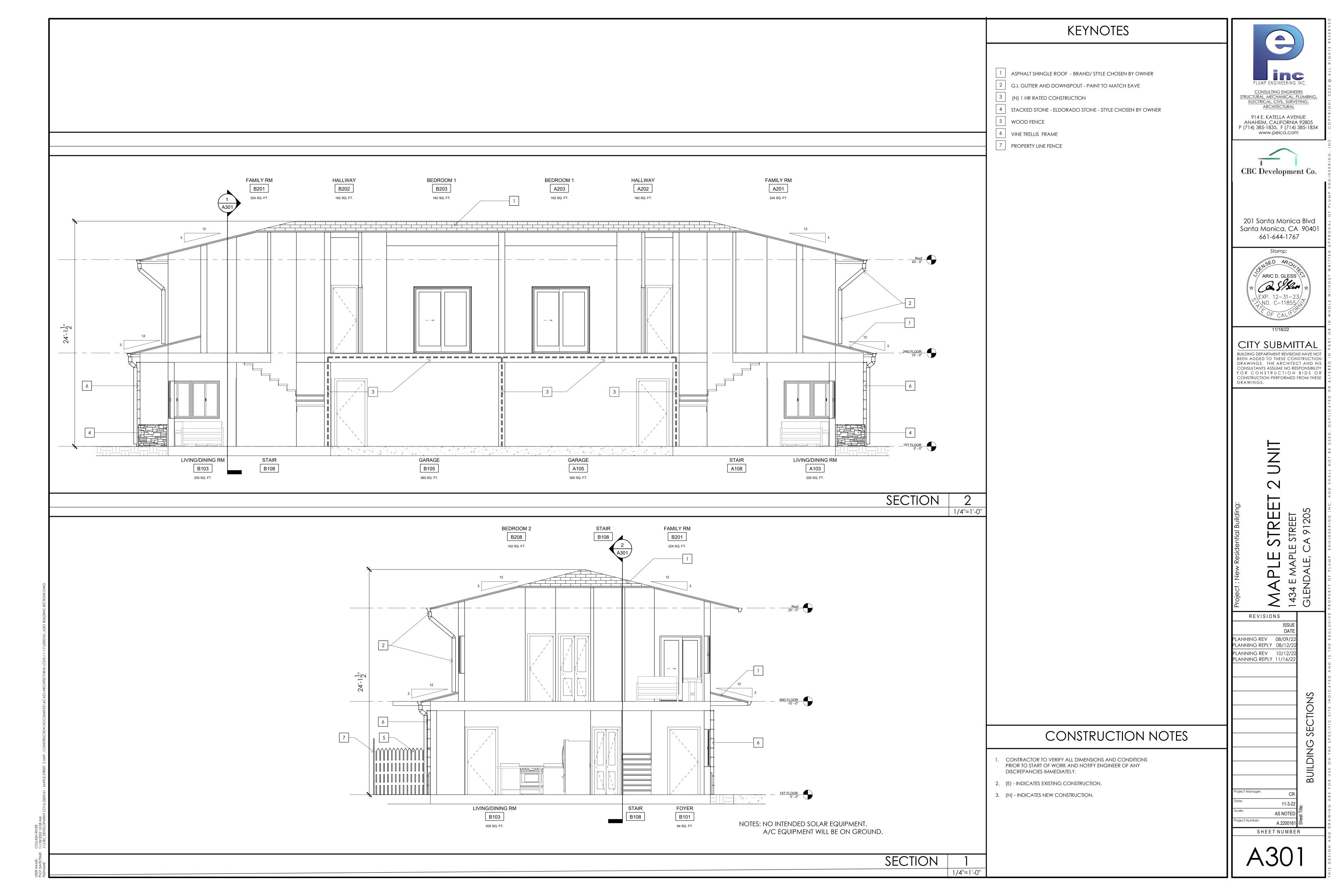












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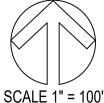
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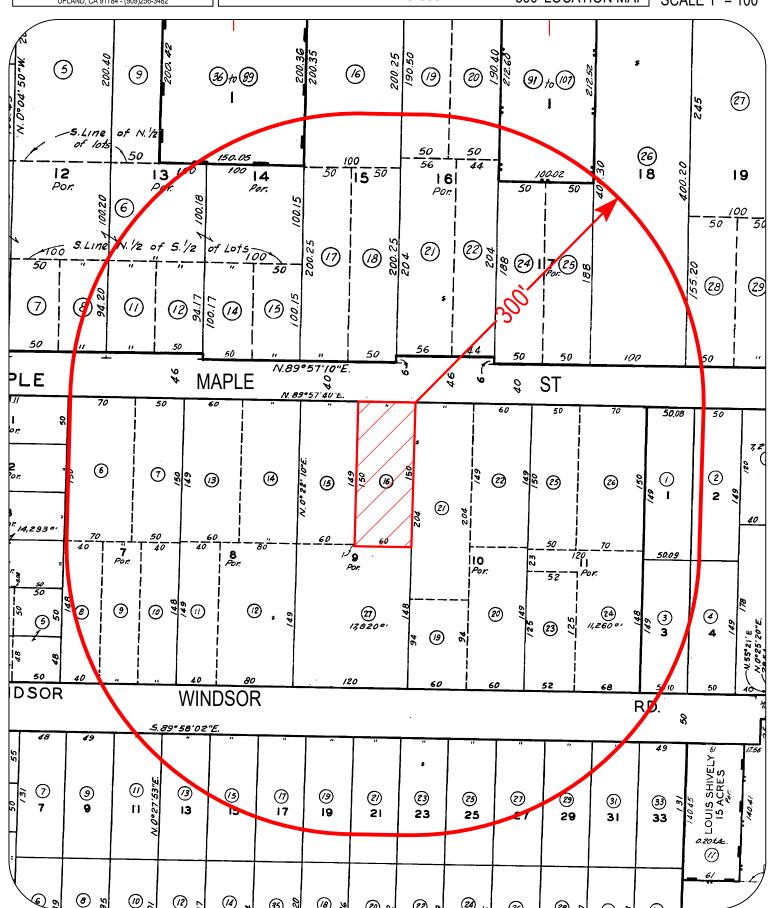
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PROJECT INFORMATION

1434 E MAPLE ST. GLENDALE, CA. 23-030

300' LOCATION MAP





EXISTING RESIDENTIAL DWELLING & ADU LOCATION



REAR LOT OF PROPERTY



AERIAL VIEW OF PROPERTY

EXISTING GARAGE & DRIVEWAY



WEST DRIVEWAY/ PARKING

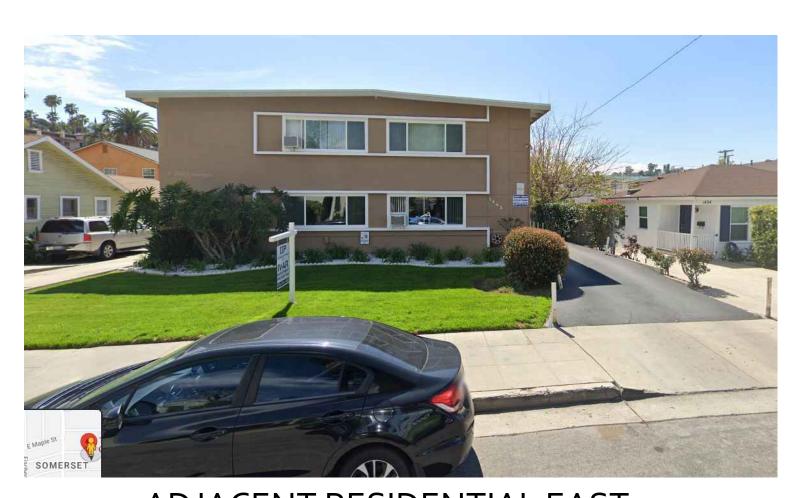


EAST DRIVEWAY/ PARKING

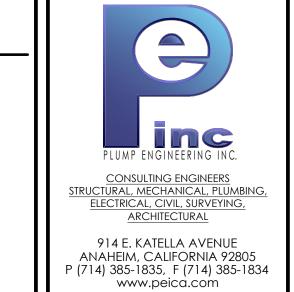
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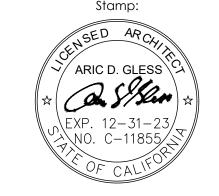


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CITY SUBMITTAL

BUILDING DEPARTMENT REVISIONS HAVE NOT BEEN ADDED TO THESE CONSTRUCTION DRAWINGS. THE ARCHITECT AND HIS CONSULTANTS ASSUME NO RESPONSIBILITY FOR CONSTRUCTION PERFORMED FROM THESE DRAWINGS

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