# **Memorandum to the City of Markham Committee of Adjustment** May 9, 2024

File: A/023/24

Address: 98 Babcombe Drive, Markham (Thornhill)
Agent: In Roads Consultants (Ida Evangelista)

Hearing Date: Wednesday, May 15, 2024

The following comments are provided on behalf of the West Team:

The Agent is requesting relief from the following requirements of By-law 1767, Third Density Residential (R3) zone, as it relates to a second storey addition to an existing residential dwelling, to permit.

#### a) By-law 1767, Section 18 (i)(d):

a second-storey north side yard setback of 4.16 feet, whereas the by-law requires a side yard setback of 6 feet;

#### **BACKGROUND**

#### **Property Description**

The 725.17 m<sup>2</sup> (7,805.65 ft<sup>2</sup>) Subject Lands are located on the south side of Babcombe Drive, east of Laureleaf Road, and generally north of Apricot Street (refer to Appendix "A" – Aerial Photo). The Subject Lands are located within an established residential neighbourhood comprised of one and two-storey detached dwellings.

There is an existing two-storey detached dwelling on the Subject Lands which was constructed in 1965, according to assessment records. Mature vegetation exists on the property including a mix of medium and large mature trees in the front yard and several medium sized trees in the rear yard.

#### Proposal

The Agent is proposing to construct a 72.85 m<sup>2</sup> (784.15 ft<sup>2</sup>), one-storey addition above the existing garage with a total dwelling gross floor area of 288.15 m<sup>2</sup> (3,101.62 ft<sup>2</sup>), as shown in Appendix "B".

#### Official Plan and Zoning

Official Plan 2014 (partially approved on November 24/17, and updated on April 9/18)

The Subject Lands are designated "Residential Low Rise", which permits low rise housing forms including single detached dwellings. Section 8.2.3.5 of the Official Plan outlines development criteria for the "Residential Low Rise" designation with respect to height, massing and setbacks. The purpose of this development criteria is to ensure that the development is appropriate for the site and generally consistent with the zoning requirements for adjacent properties and properties along the same street. In considering applications for development approval in a

"Residential Low Rise" area, which includes variances, infill development is required to meet the general intent of these development criteria. Regard shall also be had for retention of existing trees and vegetation, the width of proposed garages and driveways. Planning staff have had regard for the requirements of the infill development criteria in the preparation of the comments provided below.

#### Zoning By-Law 1767, as amended

The Subject Lands are zoned R3 – Third Density Residential under By-law 1767, as amended, which permits single detached dwellings. The proposed development does not comply with the by-law requirement with respect to the side yard setback.

#### **Zoning Preliminary Review (ZPR) Not Undertaken**

The Owner has confirmed that a Zoning Preliminary Review (ZPR) has <u>not</u> been conducted. However, the applicant has received comments from the building department through their permit process (HP 23 150357) to confirm the variances required for the proposed development.

#### COMMENTS

The Planning Act states that four tests must be met in order for a variance to be granted by the Committee of Adjustment:

- a) The variance must be minor in nature:
- The variance must be desirable, in the opinion of the Committee of Adjustment, for the appropriate development or use of land, building or structure;
- c) The general intent and purpose of the Zoning By-law must be maintained;
- d) The general intent and purpose of the Official Plan must be maintained.

#### Reduced Side Setback Variance

The Agent is requesting relief to permit a minimum side yard setback of 4.16 feet (1.23 metres), whereas a minimum of 6 feet (1.83 metres) is required. This represents a reduction of approximately 1.84 feet (0.56 metres). The variance is attributable to the second story addition above the existing garage. More, specifically, it is attributable to the pinch-point located on the north-east corner of the dwelling. It is important to note that the addition is above the existing garage, and there are no changes to the existing building footprint.

Engineering Staff have reviewed the application and have no concern with the variance respecting drainage. Staff are of the opinion that the side yard setback is minor in nature, and have no concern with the requested variance.

#### **PUBLIC INPUT SUMMARY**

No written submissions were received as of May 9, 2024. It is noted that additional information may be received after the writing of the report, and the Secretary-Treasurer will provide information on this at the meeting.

#### CONCLUSION

Planning Staff have reviewed the application with respect to Section 45(1) of the *Planning Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c. P.13, as amended, and are of the opinion that the requested variance meets the four tests of the *Planning Act* and have no objection. Staff recommend that the Committee consider public input in reaching a decision.

The onus is ultimately on the Agent to demonstrate why they should be granted relief from the requirements of the zoning by-law, and how they satisfy the tests of the *Planning Act* required for the granting of minor variances.

Please refer to Appendix "C" for conditions to be attached to any approval of this application.

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**REVIEWED BY:** 

Rick Cefaratti, MCIP RPP, Senior Planner, West District

#### **APPENDICES**

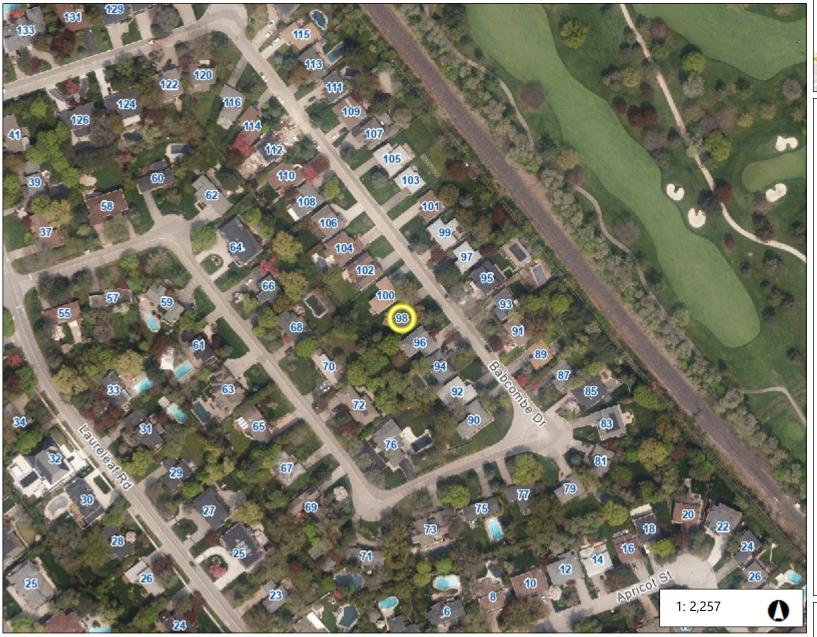
Appendix "A" – Aerial Context Photo

Appendix "B" - Plans

Appendix "C" - A/023/24 Conditions of Approval



## A/023/24 - 98 Babcombe Drive



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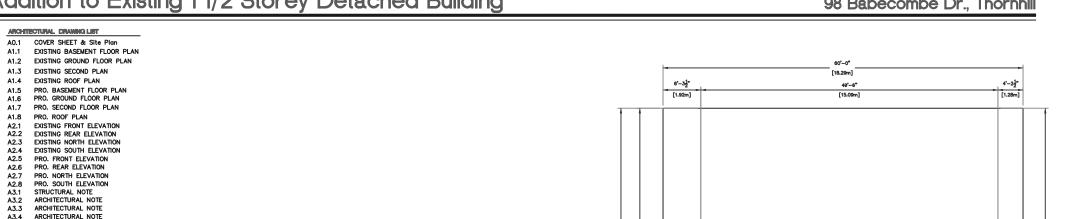
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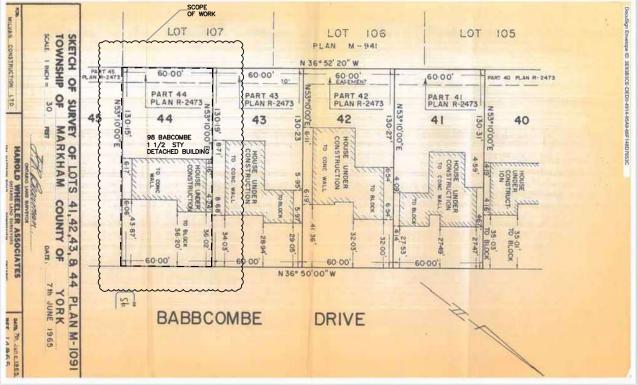
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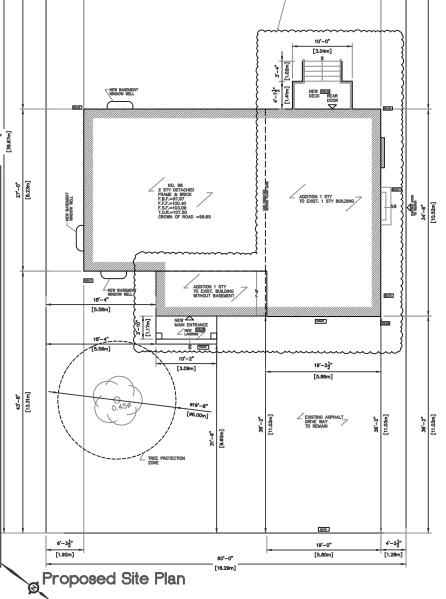
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PLAN #	R-2473
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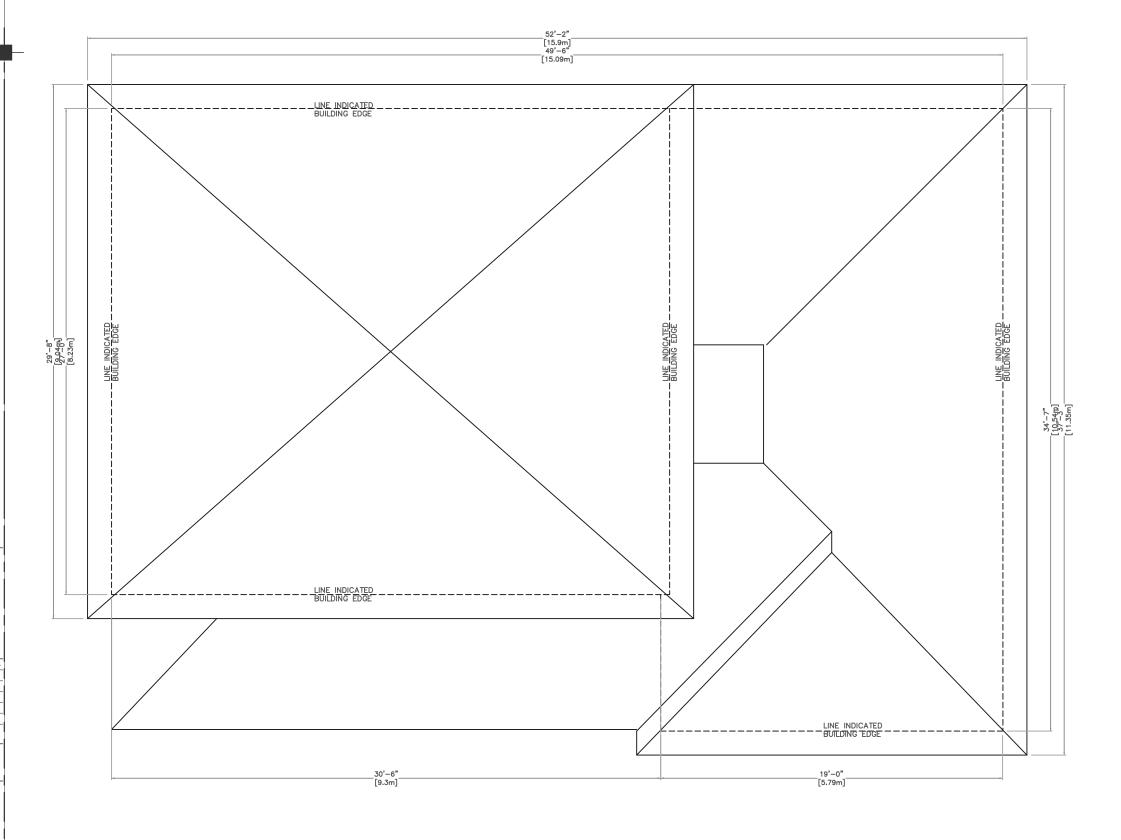
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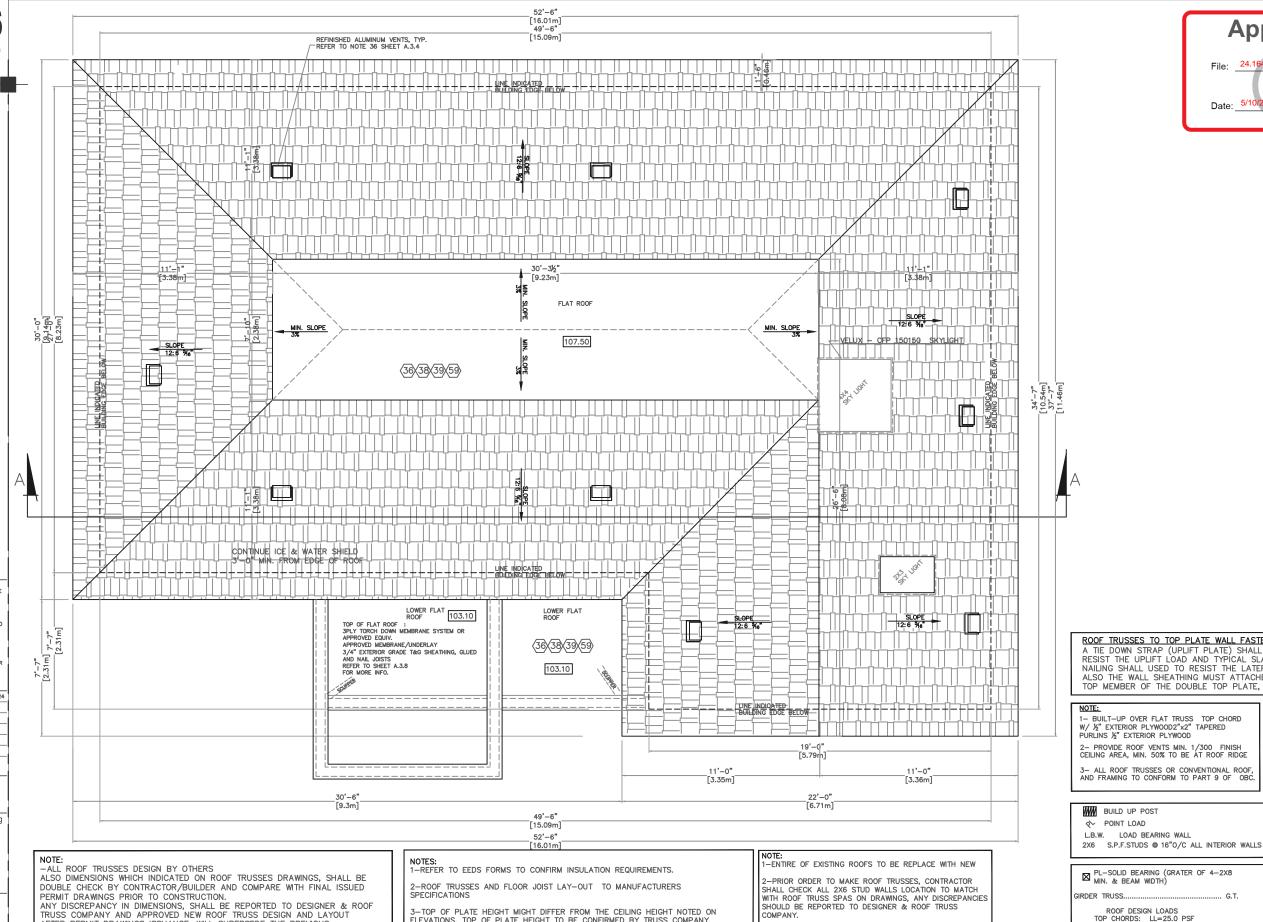
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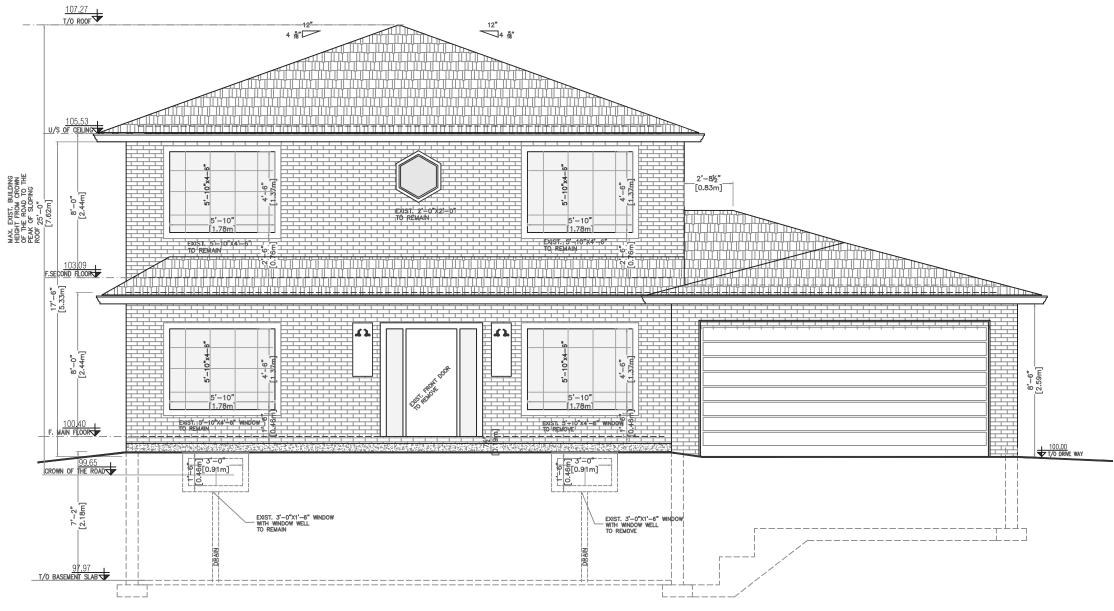
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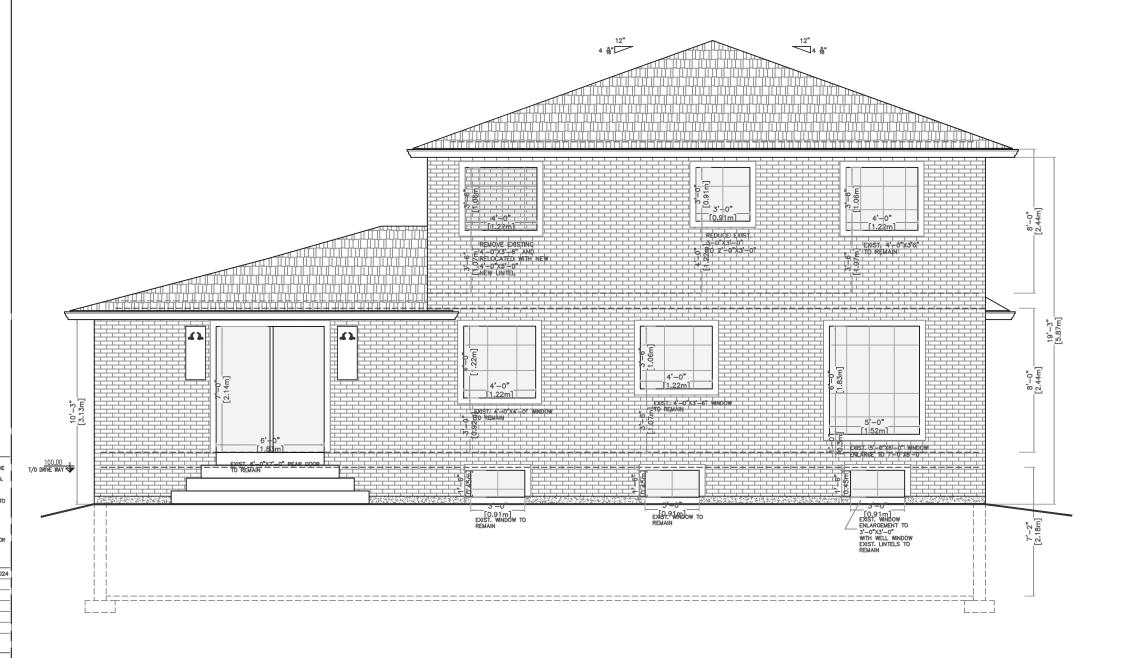
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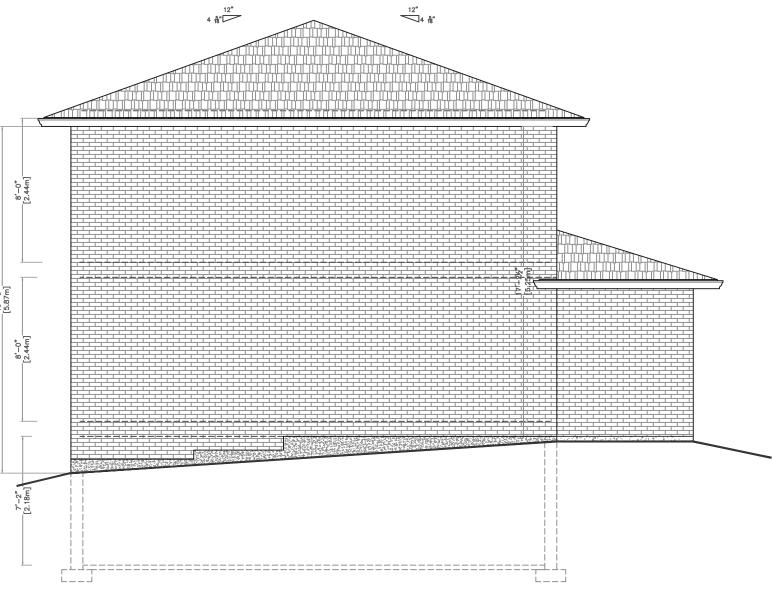
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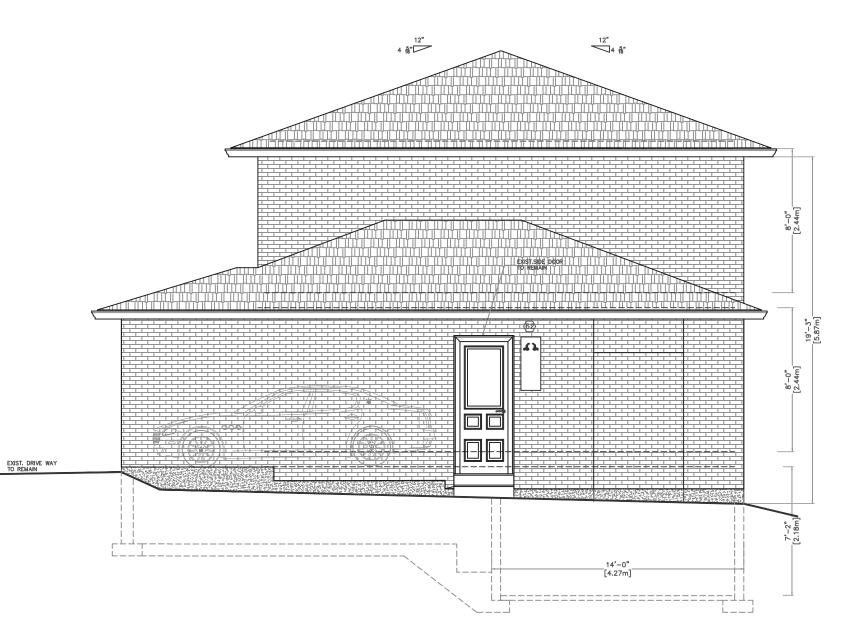
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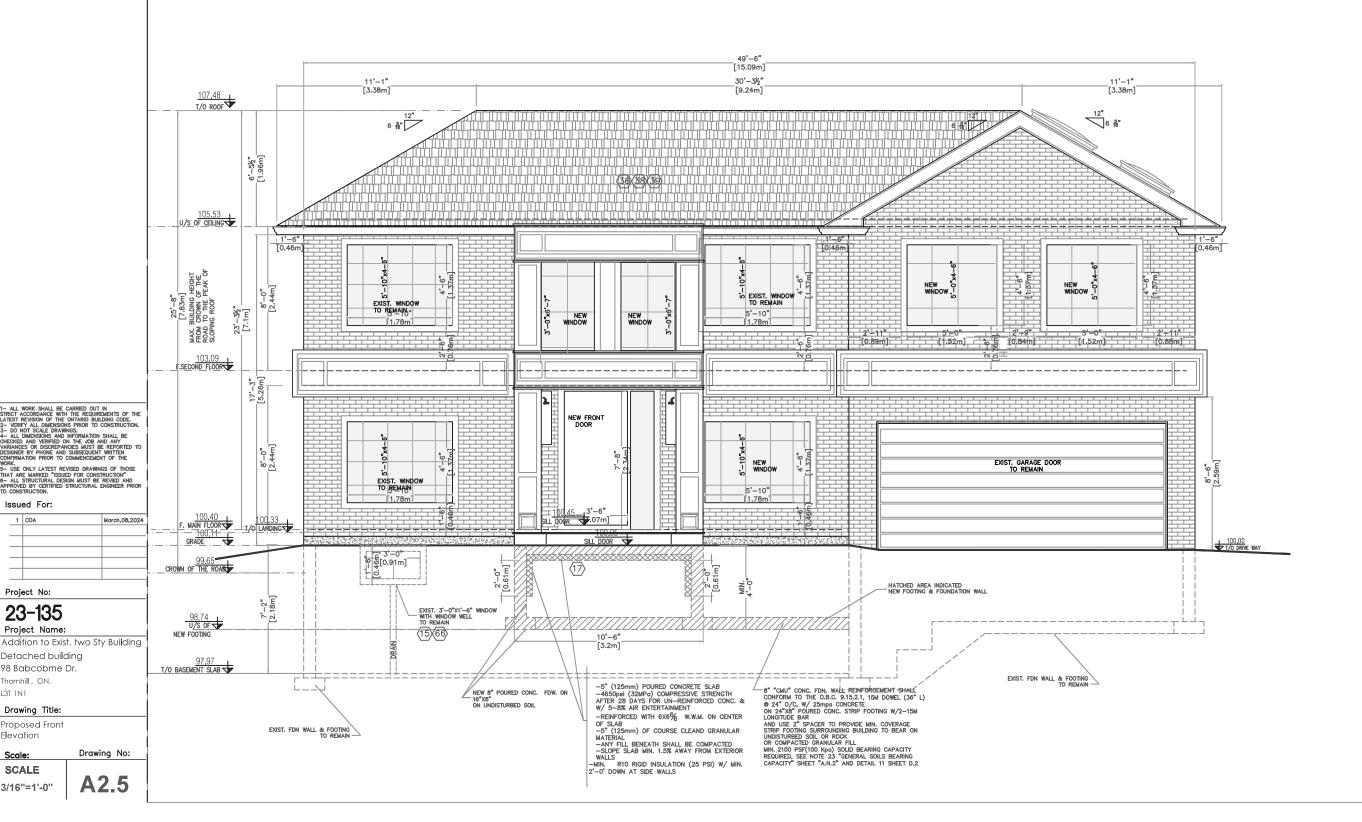
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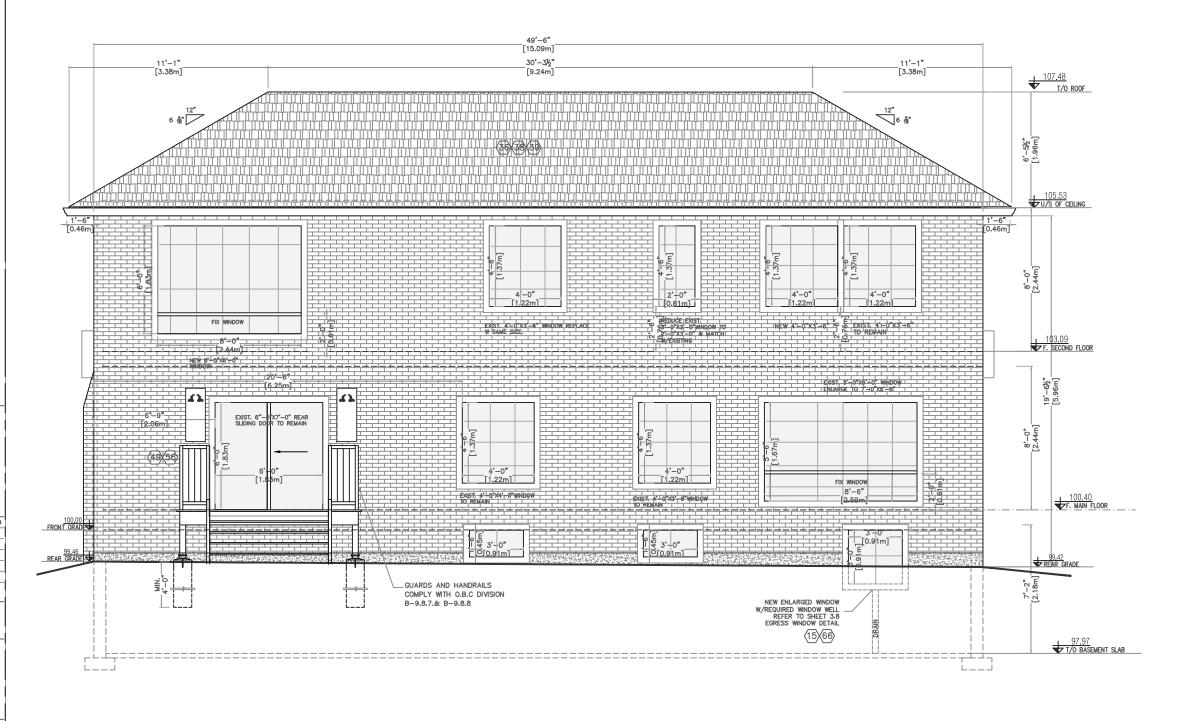
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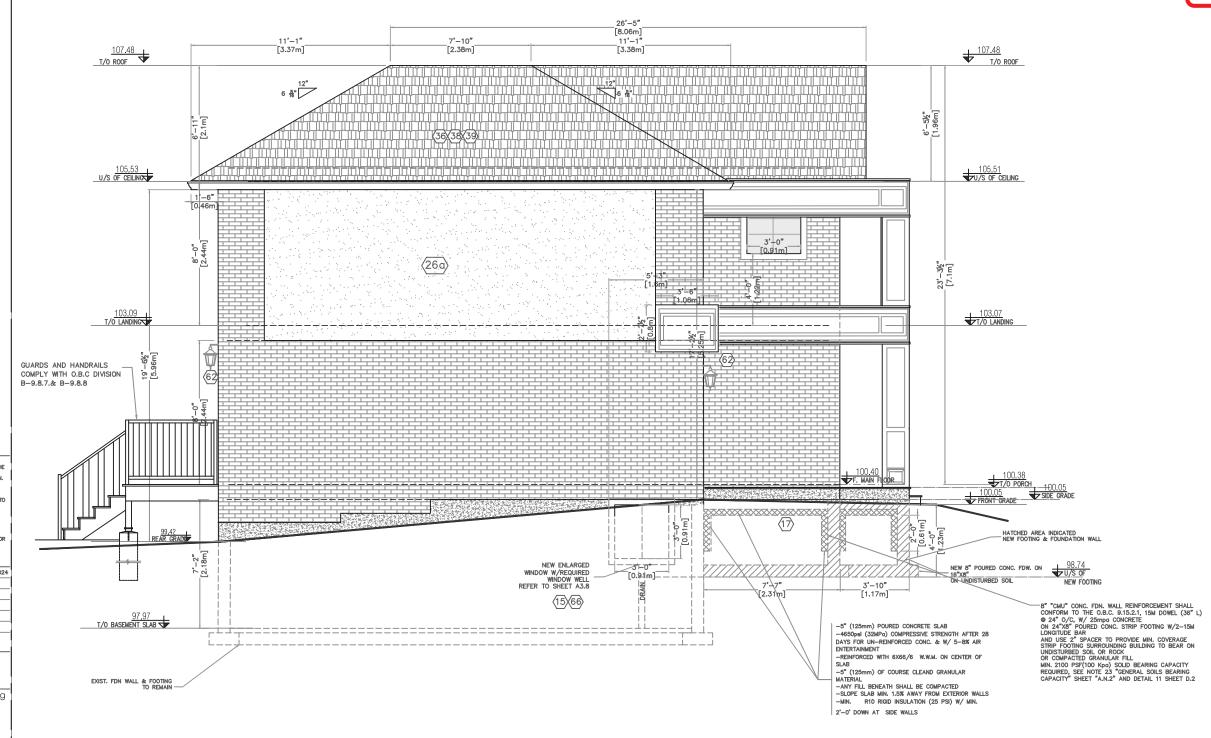
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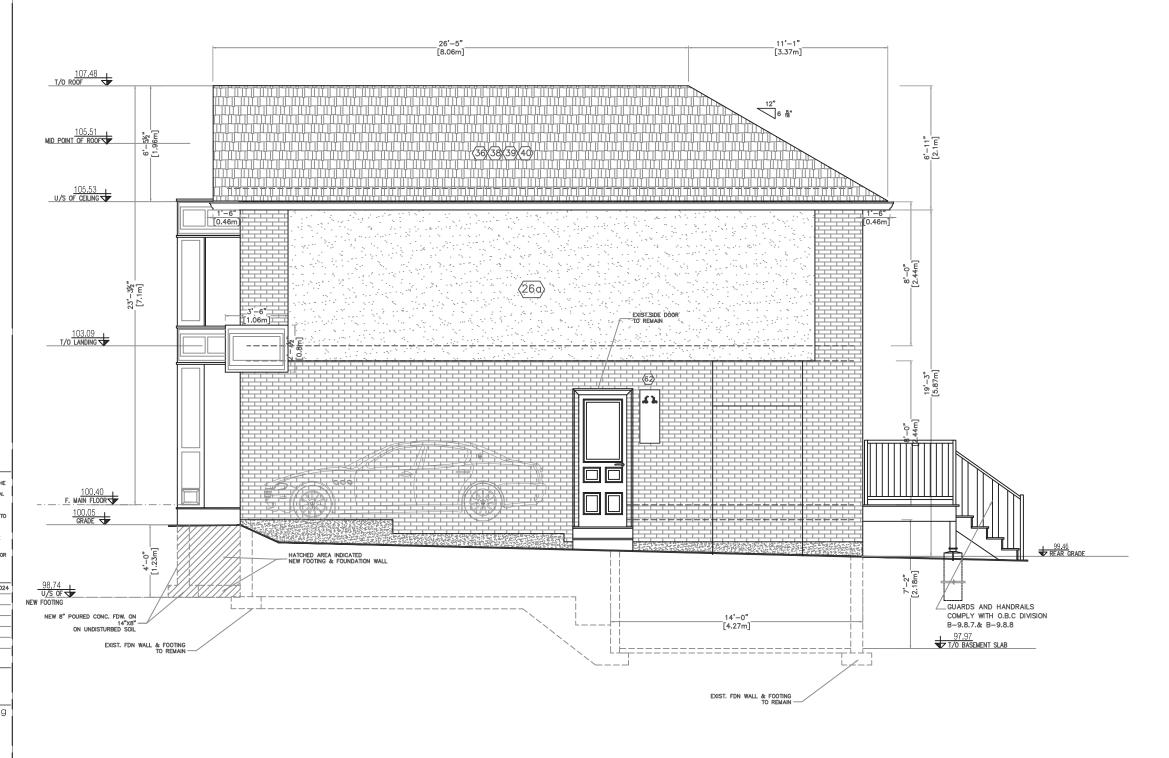
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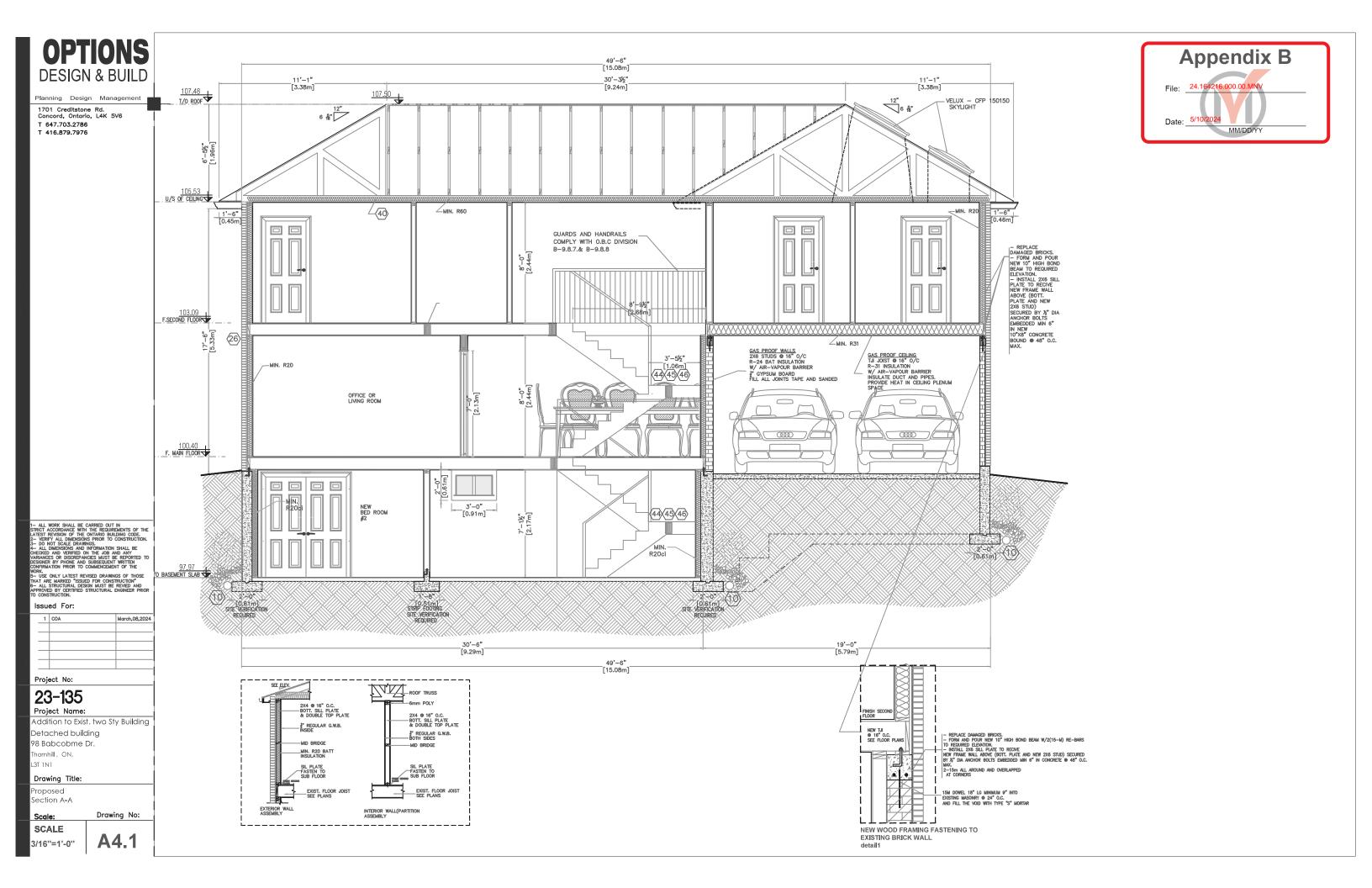
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# APPENDIX "C" CONDITIONS TO BE ATTACHED TO ANY APPROVAL OF FILE A/023/24

- 1. The variances apply only to the proposed development as long as it remains; and
- 2. That the variances apply only to the proposed development, in substantial conformity with the plans attached as Appendix "B" to this Staff Report, and that the Secretary-Treasurer receive written confirmation from the Supervisor of the Committee of Adjustment or designate that this condition has been fulfilled to their satisfaction.

**CONDITIONS PREPARED BY:** 

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