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Staff: C. Oshida – LB Date: December 22, 2016

# **ADMINISTRATIVE PERMIT**

Application No.	5-16-0934
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Applicant: John Stein

ProjectConstruction of a 1,115 square foot, second-story addition with an<br/>approximately 365 square foot roof deck and interior remodel to a one-story,<br/>1,472 square foot single family residence. The project will result in a two-story,<br/>28-foot high, 2,587 square foot single-family residence with an existing 788<br/>square foot non-habitable basement and existing detached two-car garage with<br/>second-floor recreation room. Four on-site parking spaces will be maintained.

Project20 Sunset Avenue, Venice, City of Los Angeles, Los Angeles County APNLocation:4286-023-003.

#### **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S DETERMINATION**

The findings for this determination, and for any special conditions, appear on subsequent pages.

<u>NOTE</u>: P.R.C. Section 30624 provides that this permit shall not become effective until it is reported to the Commission at its next meeting. If one-third or more of the appointed membership of the Commission so request, the application will be removed from the administrative calendar and set for public hearing at a subsequent Commission meeting. Our office will notify you if such removal occurs.

This permit will be reported to the Commission at the following time and place:

January 11, 2017 9:00 a.m. County Government Center BOS Chambers 1055 Monterey Street San Luis Obispo, CA 93408

#### IMPORTANT - Before you may proceed with development, the following must occur:

Pursuant to 14 Cal. Admin. Code Sections 13150(b) and 13158, you must sign the enclosed duplicate copy acknowledging the permit's receipt and accepting its contents, including all conditions, and return it to our office. Following the Commission's meeting, and once we have received the signed acknowledgement and evidence of compliance with all special conditions, we will send you a Notice of Administrative Permit Effectiveness.

#### BEFORE YOU CAN OBTAIN ANY LOCAL PERMITS AND PROCEED WITH DEVELOPMENT, YOU MUST HAVE RECEIVED BOTH YOUR ADMINISTRATIVE PERMIT AND THE NOTICE OF PERMIT EFFECTIVENESS FROM THIS OFFICE.

JOHN AINSWORTH Acting Executive Director

By: <u>Caitlin Oshida</u> Coastal Program Analyst

#### STANDARD CONDITIONS

This permit is granted subject to the following standard conditions:

- 1. **Notice of Receipt and Acknowledgment.** The permit is not valid and development shall not commence until a copy of the permit, signed by the permittee or authorized agent, acknowledging receipt of the permit and acceptance of the terms and conditions, is returned to the Commission office.
- 2. **Expiration.** If development has not commenced, the permit will expire two years from the date the Commission voted on the application. Development shall be pursued in a diligent manner and completed in a reasonable period of time. Application for extension of the permit must be made prior to the expiration date.
- 3. **Interpretation.** Any questions of intent or interpretation of any term or condition will be resolved by the Executive Director or the Commission.
- 4. **Assignment.** The permit may be assigned to any qualified person, provided assignee files with the Commission an affidavit accepting all terms and conditions of the permit.
- 5. **Terms and Conditions Run with the Land.** These terms and conditions shall be perpetual, and it is the intention of the Commission and the permittee to bind all future owners and possessors of the subject property to the terms and conditions.

#### **SPECIAL CONDITIONS:** See pages six through eight.

#### **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S DETERMINATION (continued):**

The Executive Director hereby determines that the proposed development is a category of development, which, pursuant to PRC Section 30624, qualifies for approval by the Executive Director through the issuance of an Administrative Permit. Subject to Standard and Special Conditions as attached, said development is in conformity with the provisions of Chapter 3 of the Coastal Act of 1976 and will not have any significant impacts on the environment within the meaning of the California Environmental Quality Act. If located between the nearest public road and the sea, this development is in conformity with the public access and public recreation policies of Chapter 3.

#### FINDINGS FOR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S DETERMINATION

#### A. PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The applicant proposes the construction of a 1,115 square foot, second-story addition with an approximately 365 square foot roof deck and interior remodel to an existing 1,472 square foot, onestory single family residence. The project will result in a 2,587 square foot, two-story, 28 ft.-high, single-family residence, with an existing 788 square foot non-habitable basement and existing 24foot high detached two-car garage with existing second-floor recreation room (**Exhibit 2**). Proposed hardscape includes permeable pavers located between the residence and the garage to provide two uncovered parking spaces, which would bring the total of on-site parking spaces to four, which exceeds the parking requirements of the certified Venice Land Use Plan (LUP) and Commission's minimum of two parking spaces for the residence. The parking spaces will be accessed from the alley. The project would require approximately ten cubic yards of grading (cut). The proposal includes rain gutters and downspouts consistent with Coastal Act requirements to preserve water quality. Additionally, **Special Condition 1** requires the applicant to observe water quality and best management practices (BMP) into the project.

The project site is located on a historic walk street in the North Venice area at 20 Sunset Avenue, about 260 feet inland of the beach and boardwalk (**Exhibit 1**). Public beach access is available at the end of Sunset Avenue, about 250 feet seaward of the subject property. The lot area is 3,600 square feet, and is designated for multi-family residential use by the certified Venice LUP and RD 1.5-1 by the Los Angeles Zoning Code.

The project site also includes an approximately 30 ft. by 15 ft. portion of the Sunset Avenue rightof-way in the front of the existing residence. Currently the front yard area contains an existing wood deck and landscaping. No landscaping is proposed as part of this project. To ensure that the project, as conditioned, will not adversely affect the public walkway that runs down the center of the Sunset Avenue right-of-way, the Commission imposes **Special Condition 2** requiring the applicant to comply with Venice walk street requirements.

Typically, the Commission looks at allowable land uses, density, and height when evaluating whether or not a project is visually compatible with the character of the neighborhood, along with the existing characteristics of the surrounding area. A majority of the buildings along the subject property's block of Sunset Avenue are multi-family residences, and approximately 32 percent of the lots contain single-family homes. The North Venice neighborhood is comprised of an amalgam of new and old buildings, mostly one or two stories in height. The subject property is neighbored on the east by a two-story, 3,765 square foot single-family residence and on the west by a two-story, 4,560 multi-family building. The proposed project at 20 Sunset Avenue will result in a two-story, 2,587 square foot single-family residence. The project is designed to be consistent with previous Commission actions in the area (see table below for past Commission actions on the Sunset Avenue walk street).

The City of Los Angeles has consistently limited new development on walk streets to a height of 28 feet measured above the fronting right-of-way. The proposed project conforms to the 28-foot height limit of the LUP for rooflines along a walk street. A 49 square foot clerestory unit (upper part of the wall that rises above a roof and has windows) with skylights is proposed that will extend approximately five feet above the roofline, which is allowed in the Venice certified LUP for devices

essential for building function. The roof deck will be access by exterior stairs at the rear of the residence and the roof deck will be enclosed by 36-inch high railings. The Venice Specific Plan, which the Commission has not certified, also sets forth the same height limits as the certified Venice LUP. The project, as proposed, conforms to the mandated height limits for development on a walk street. Overall, the project is designed to be compatible with the residential character of the surrounding development.

Address	CDP No.	Height (ft.)	Square Footage
20 Sunset Ave. (SFR)*	5-99-245-W	30 ft.	2,054
20 Sunset Ave. (garage)*	5-96-119-W	24 ft.	813
20 Sunset Ave. (SFR)*	5-93-082-W	30 ft.	3,938
56 Sunset Ave. (2 units)	5-04-107-W	28 ft. (unit 1) 28 ft. (unit 2)	1,150 (unit 1) 2,770 (unit 2)
23 Sunset Ave. (SFR)	5-04-041-W	17 ft.	2,300
44 Sunset Ave. (SFR)	5-03-429	28 ft.	2,300
35 Sunset Ave. (SFR)	5-00-269	28 ft.	3,550

Table 1. Past Commission-approved projects on the Sunset Avenue walk street.

\*previous actions on the subject property prior to the certification of the Venice LUP in 2001.

Within the areas specified in Section 30601 of the Coastal Act, which is known in the City of Los Angeles permit program as the Dual Permit Jurisdiction area, the Coastal Act requires that any development which receives a local coastal development permit also obtain a second (or "dual") coastal development permit from the Coastal Commission. The Commission's standard of review for development in the Dual Permit Jurisdiction area is the Chapter 3 policies of the Coastal Act. For projects located inland of the areas identified in Section 30601 (i.e., projects in the Single Permit Jurisdiction area), the City of Los Angeles local coastal development permit is the only coastal development permit required.

In this case, the project site is within the Dual Permit Jurisdiction area. The City of Los Angeles completed its final action to approve with conditions Local Coastal Development Permit No. DIR-2015-3309-CDP-SPPA-SPP on August 10, 2016 and reported its action to the Coastal Commission's South Coast area office on September 8, 2016. The City's findings indicate that the approved development is consistent with the character of the area and will not prejudice its ability to prepare a local coastal program. There were no appeals of the local action submitted to the Commission within the 20 working day appeal period.

The Venice Neighborhood Council reviewed the project on June 21, 2016 and recommended approval of the project presented.

#### **B. PUBLIC ACCESS**

The proposed development will not affect the public's ability to gain access to, and/or to make use of, the coast and nearby recreational facilities. Therefore, as proposed the development conforms with Sections 30210 through 30214, Sections 30220 through 30224, and 30252 of the Coastal Act.

## C. WATER QUALITY

The proposed development has a potential for a discharge of polluted runoff from the project site into coastal waters. The development, as proposed and as conditioned, incorporates best management practices (BMPs) to minimize the effect of construction and post-construction activities on the marine environment. These BMPs include, but are not limited to, the appropriate management of equipment and construction materials, reducing runoff through the use of rain barrels and permeable surfaces, the use of non-invasive drought tolerant vegetation to reduce and treat the runoff discharged from the site, and for the use of post-construction best management practices to minimize the project's adverse impact on coastal waters, as imposed in **Special Condition 1**. Therefore, the Commission finds that the proposed development, as conditioned, conforms with Sections 30230 and 30231 of the Coastal Act regarding the protection of water quality to promote the biological productivity of coastal waters and to protect human health.

#### **D. DEVELOPMENT**

As proposed, the development is located within an existing developed area and is compatible with the character and scale of the surrounding area. The project provides adequate parking based on the Commission's typically applied standards. Therefore, as proposed, the development conforms with Sections 30250, 30251, and 30252 of the Coastal Act.

## E. LOCAL COASTAL PROGRAM

Coastal Act section 30604(a) states that, prior to certification of a local coastal program (LCP), a coastal development permit can only be issued upon a finding that the proposed development is in conformity with Chapter 3 of the Act and that the permitted development will not prejudice the ability of the local government to prepare an LCP that is in conformity with Chapter 3. The Venice Land Use Plan was certified by the Commission on June 14, 2001 and is advisory in nature and may provide guidance. The proposed development is consistent with Chapter 3 of the Coastal Act and with the certified Land Use Plan for the area. Approval of the project as proposed will not prejudice the ability of the local government to prepare an LCP that is in conformity with the provisions of Chapter 3 of the Coastal Act.

#### F. CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA)

The subject property is located within the North Venice Walk Streets Historic District and has been identified as a Non-Contributor to the District. In the City's review of the local coastal development permit application, the Office of Historic Resources (OHR) reviewed the proposed project on March 30, 2016, and determined that a Historic Resource Assessment Report was not required. OHR determined that due to the project location and the lack of Contributors in the area, proximate to the site, the proposed addition would not have a significant impact on the District. The On August 10, 2016, City of Los Angeles approved a Categorical Exemption (ENV-2015-3310-CE) for the proposed project consistent with the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and the City CEQA Guidelines.

There are no feasible alternatives or additional feasible mitigation measures available that would substantially lessen any significant adverse effect that the activity may have on the environment. Therefore, the proposed project is the least environmentally damaging feasible alternative and can be found consistent with the requirements of the Coastal Act to conform to CEQA.

## SPECIAL CONDITIONS

This permit is granted subject to the following special conditions:

- 1. Construction Responsibilities and Debris Removal. By acceptance of this coastal development permit, the permittee agrees that the approved development shall be carried out in compliance with the following BMPs:
  - (a) No demolition or construction materials, debris, or waste shall be placed or stored where it may enter sensitive habitat, receiving waters or a storm drain, or be subject to wave, wind, rain, or tidal erosion and dispersion.
  - (b) No demolition or construction equipment, materials, or activity shall be placed in or occur in any location that would result in impacts to environmentally sensitive habitat areas, streams, wetlands or their buffers.
  - (c) Any and all debris resulting from demolition or construction activities shall be removed from the project site within 24 hours of completion of the project.
  - (d) Demolition or construction debris and sediment shall be removed from work areas each day that demolition or construction occurs to prevent the accumulation of sediment and other debris that may be discharged into coastal waters.
  - (e) All trash and debris shall be disposed in the proper trash and recycling receptacles at the end of every construction day.
  - (f) The applicant shall provide adequate disposal facilities for solid waste, including excess concrete, produced during demolition or construction.
  - (g) Debris shall be disposed of at a legal disposal site or recycled at a recycling facility. If the disposal site is located in the coastal zone, a coastal development permit or an amendment to this permit shall be required before disposal can take place unless the Executive Director determines that no amendment or new permit is legally required.
  - (h) All stock piles and construction materials shall be covered, enclosed on all sides, shall be located as far away as possible from drain inlets and any waterway, and shall not be stored in contact with the soil.
  - (i) Machinery and equipment shall be maintained and washed in confined areas specifically designed to control runoff. Thinners or solvents shall not be discharged into sanitary or storm sewer systems.
  - (j) The discharge of any hazardous materials into any receiving waters shall be prohibited.
  - (k) Spill prevention and control measures shall be implemented to ensure the proper handling and storage of petroleum products and other construction materials. Measures shall include a designated fueling and vehicle maintenance area with appropriate berms and protection to prevent any spillage of gasoline or related petroleum products or

contact with runoff. The area shall be located as far away from the receiving waters and storm drain inlets as possible.

- (1) Best Management Practices (BMPs) and Good Housekeeping Practices (GHPs) designed to prevent spillage and/or runoff of demolition or construction-related materials, and to contain sediment or contaminants associated with demolition or construction activity, shall be implemented prior to the on-set of such activity.
- (m) All BMPs shall be maintained in a functional condition throughout the duration of construction activity.

The permittee shall undertake the development in accordance with the approved plans. Any proposed changes to the approved final plans shall be reported to the Executive Director. No changes to the approved final plans shall occur without a Commission amendment to this coastal development permit unless the Executive Director determines that no amendment is required.

- 2. Compliance with the Venice Walk Street Requirements. Coastal Development Permit 5-16-0934 approves the construction of a 1,115 sq. ft. second-story addition with an approximately 365 square foot roof deck and interior remodel to an existing one-story single-family residence. All development must occur in strict compliance with the proposal as set forth in the application, subject to any special conditions. As proposed by the applicant and conditioned, the approved development shall be constructed in conformance with the following Venice Walk Street Requirements:
  - (a) Number of Units. The permitted use of the approved development is one residential unit.
  - (b) Building Height. The maximum height of the structure shall not exceed 28 feet above the centerline of the fronting right-of-way (Sunset Avenue), except for 49 square foot clerestory unit that will extend approximately five feet above the roofline. Chimneys, exhaust ducts, ventilation shafts and other similar devices essential for building function are limited to 33 feet above the centerline of the fronting right-of-way.
  - (c) **Sunset Avenue Right-of-Way**. In order to enhance visual quality, prevent vehicular access, and to provide a transitional zone between a public walkway in the center of Sunset Avenue and the private dwelling, the area situated between the Sunset Avenue walkway and the permittee's property line (i.e., within the Sunset Avenue right-of-way) shall be maintained as a transitional zone between the public walkway and the private dwelling, with only grade level uses including gardens, patios, landscaping, ground level decks, and fences not exceeding 42 inches in height. Private parking on the right-of-way is not permitted. Fences are limited in height to 42 inches. The permittee and the proposed development shall not interfere with public pedestrian access to and along the public walkway in center of the Sunset Avenue right-of-way.
  - (d) Landscaping. No plant species listed as problematic and/or invasive by the California Native Plant Society (<u>http://www.CNPS.org/</u>), the California Invasive Plant Council (formerly the California Exotic Pest Plant Council) (<u>http://www.cal-ipc.org/</u>), or as may be

identified from time to time by the State of California shall be employed or allowed to naturalize or persist on the site. No plant species listed as a "noxious weed" by the State of California or the U.S. Federal Government shall be utilized within the property.

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#### **ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF PERMIT RECEIPT/ACCEPTANCE OF CONTENTS**

I/We acknowledge that I/we have received a copy of this permit and have accepted its contents including all conditions.

Applicant's Signature

Date of Signing

# **Location Map: 20 Sunset Avenue, Venice**

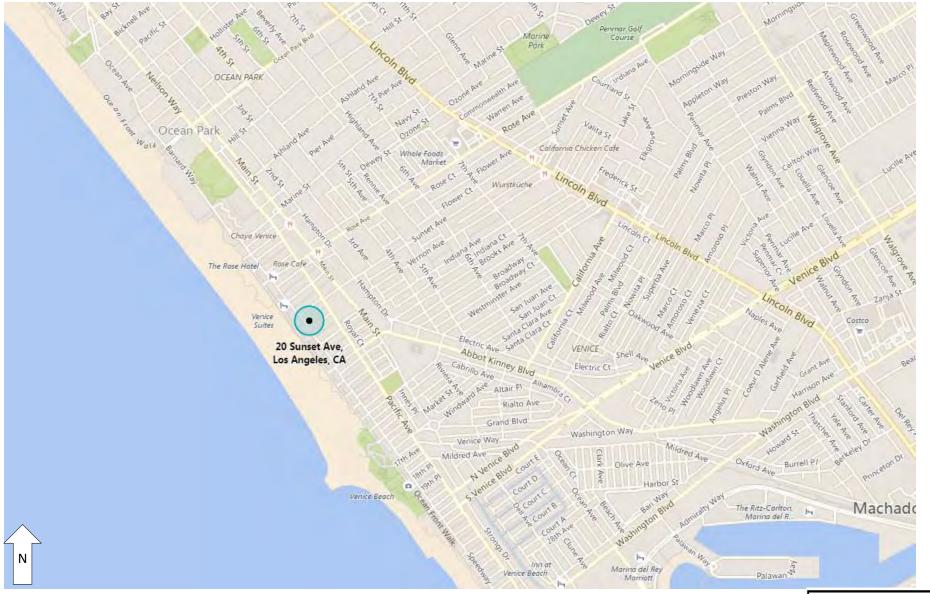


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# Vicinity Map: 20 Sunset Avenue, Venice



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#### GENERAL NOTES

- 1. The construction shall not restrict a five loot clear and unobstructed access to any water or power distribution lacihities (Power poles, pull boxes, transformers, vauits pumps, valves, meters, appurtener etc.) or to the location of the hoak-up. The construction shall not be within 10 feet of any power lines whether or not the lines are located on the property. Failure to comply may cause icc and/or additional expanses.
- 2. An approved Seismic Gas Shutoff Valve will be installed on the just gas line on the down stream side of And approved searche class Shadow rate finite withdeaded of the iddings whe of the optimization is relating and the utility metaler and be rigidly connected to the the axietro of the building or sulcative containing the fuel gas plping. (Per Ordinance 170, 158) (Includes Commercial additions and Ti work over \$10,000.)Separate plumbing permittils required.
- Plumbing fix(ures are required to be connected to a senilary server or to an app system (R306.3)
- Kitchen sinks, lavatories, balhtubs, showers, bidets, laundry tubs, and washing mechine provided with hot and cold water and connected to an approved water supply (R305.4).
- 5. Balhlub and shower lloors, walls above bathlubs with showerhead, finished with a nonabsorbent surface. Such wall surfaces shall extend to a height of not less than 6 feet above the floor. (R307.2)
- 6. Provide ultra low flush water closets for all new construction. Existing sha
- Unit Skylights shall be labeled by a LA City Approved Labeling Agency. Such Label shall state the approved labeling agency name, product designation and performance grade rating.research( Rep pproved labeling agency name, p equired Section (R308.6.9)
- 8. Automatic garage doorsopeners, if provided shall be listed in accordance with UL 325. (R309.4)
- 9. Water heater must be strapped to wall (Sec. 507.3, LAPC).
- 10. A copy of the evaluation report and/or conditions of listing shall be made available at the job site
- 11. Smoke detectors shall be provided for all dwelling units intended for human occupancy, upon the owner pplication for a permit for alterations, repairs, or additions, exceeding one thousand doilars(\$1000). (R314.6.2) he power source for smoke detectors shall be as follows:
  - a. In new construction smoke detectors shall receive their primary power from the building wiring and shall be equipped with a bellery backup. Lin existing SDF, sinck detectors may be ballery operated. (907.2,11.6, R314.4)
    C. Carbon monoxide alarm is required per Sec 420.4 & R315
- 12. Where a permit is required for alterations, repairs or additions exceeding one thousand dollars (\$1000). vinite a point in sequence for an activity, repairs of account a consoling exceeding one including a point with a control of a straight of the provided with a control monoxide alarms in accordance with section R315.1.Carbon monoxide alarms shall only be required in the specific dwelling unit or sleeping unit for which the permit was obtained (R315.2)
- 13. Every space intended for human occupancy shall be provided with natural light by means of exterior gazed openings in accordance with Section R303.1 or shall be provided with artificial light that is adequate to provide an average illumination of 6 foot-candles over the area of the room at a height of 30 inches above the toor tevel. (R903.1)
- 14. Hold down connector bolts into wood framing require approved plate washers; and hold-downs shall be finder light and  $\lambda^{*}$  wrench turn prior to covering the wall framing. Connector bolts into wood framing require steel plate washers in accordance with table 2305.5 of the LA Building Code.
- Rool diaphragm nailing to be inspected before covering \* Face grain of plywood shall be perpendicular to supports. Floor shall have tongue and groove or blocked panel edges. Plywood spans shall conform with Table 2304.7

#### FIRE PROTECTION

- 16. An approved smoke alarm shall be installed in each sleeping room & hallway or area given access An approved smoke alarm shall be installed in each sleeping room & hallway or area given acces to a sleeping room, and on each slory smd basement for the dwelling with more than one slory. Smoke alarms shall be interconnected so that the actuation of one or more elarm will activate all alarms within the individual dwelling unit. In new construction, smoke alarms shall receive their primary power source from the building wiring and shall be equipped with a battery bac-up and low battery signal. (9314)
- 17. An approved carbon monoxide alarm shall be installed in dwelling units and in steeping units within which fuel burning appliances are installed and in dwelling units that have an attached garages. Carbon monoxide alarm shall be provided outside of each separate dwelling unit steeping area in the immediate vicinity of the bedroom(s) and on every level of a dwelling unit including basements. (R315)

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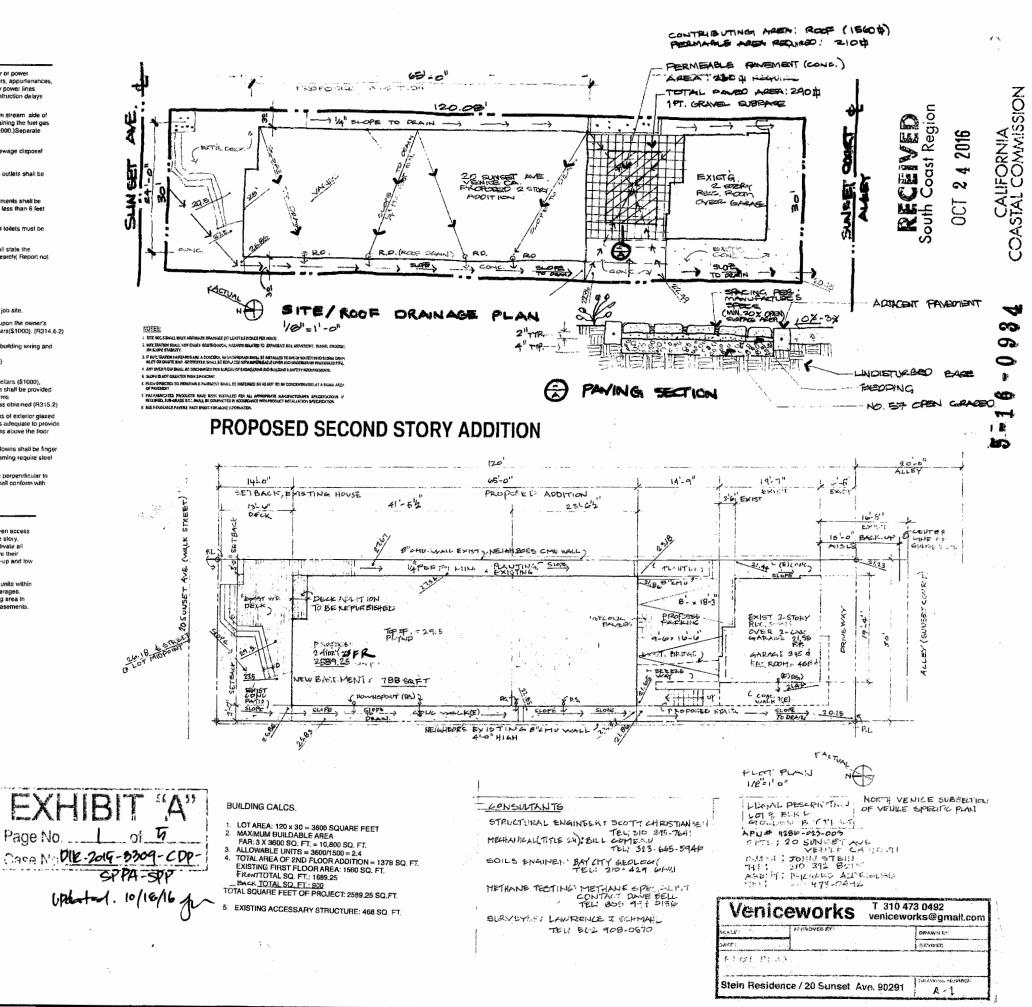
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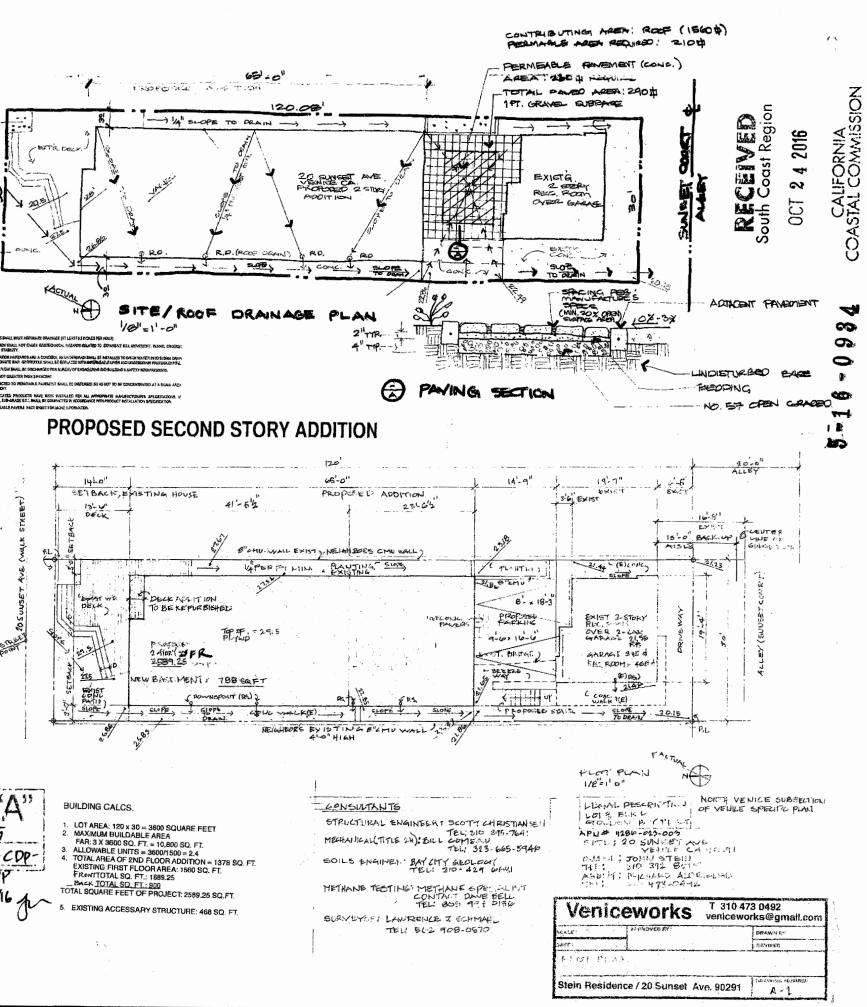
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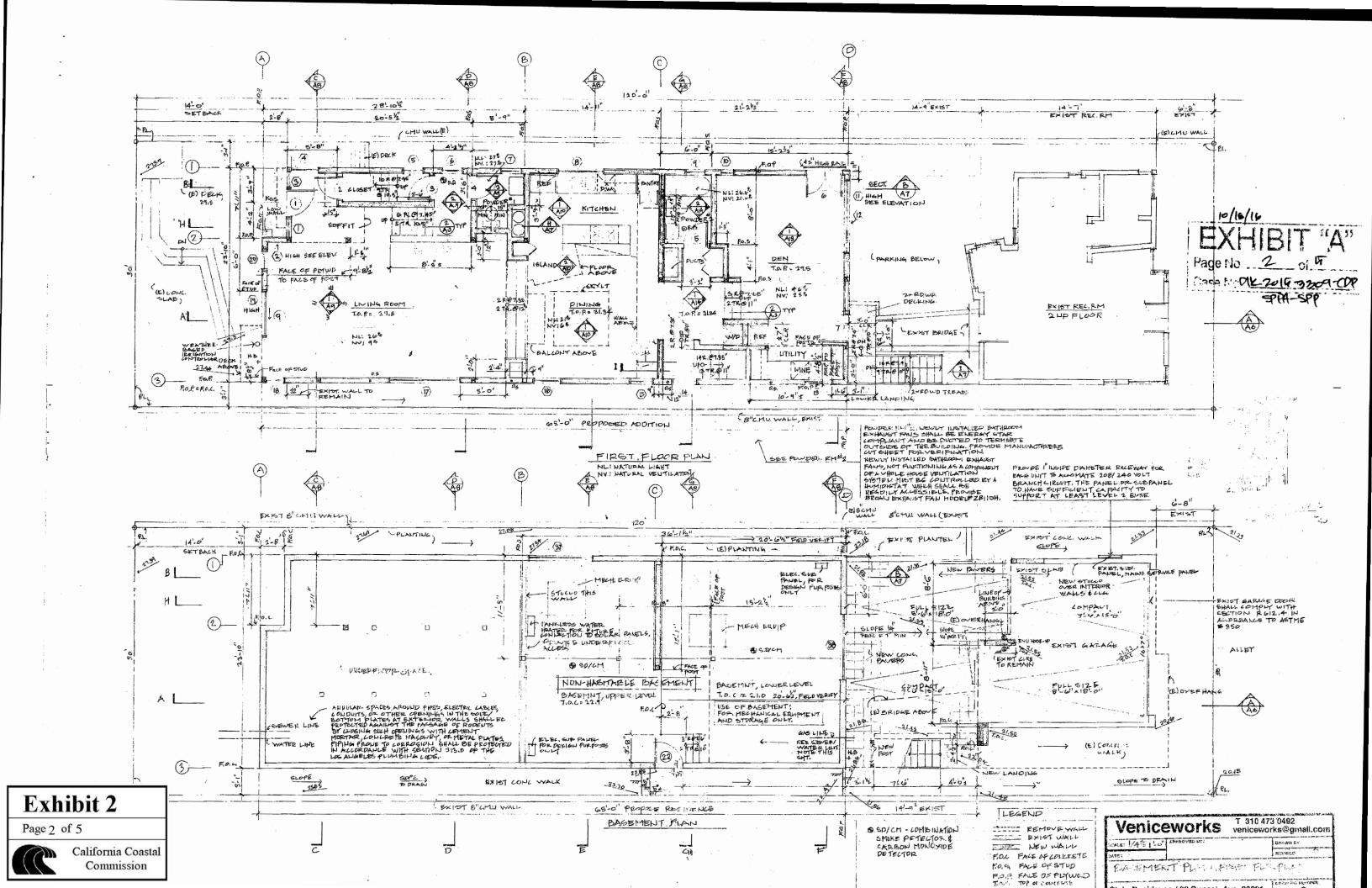
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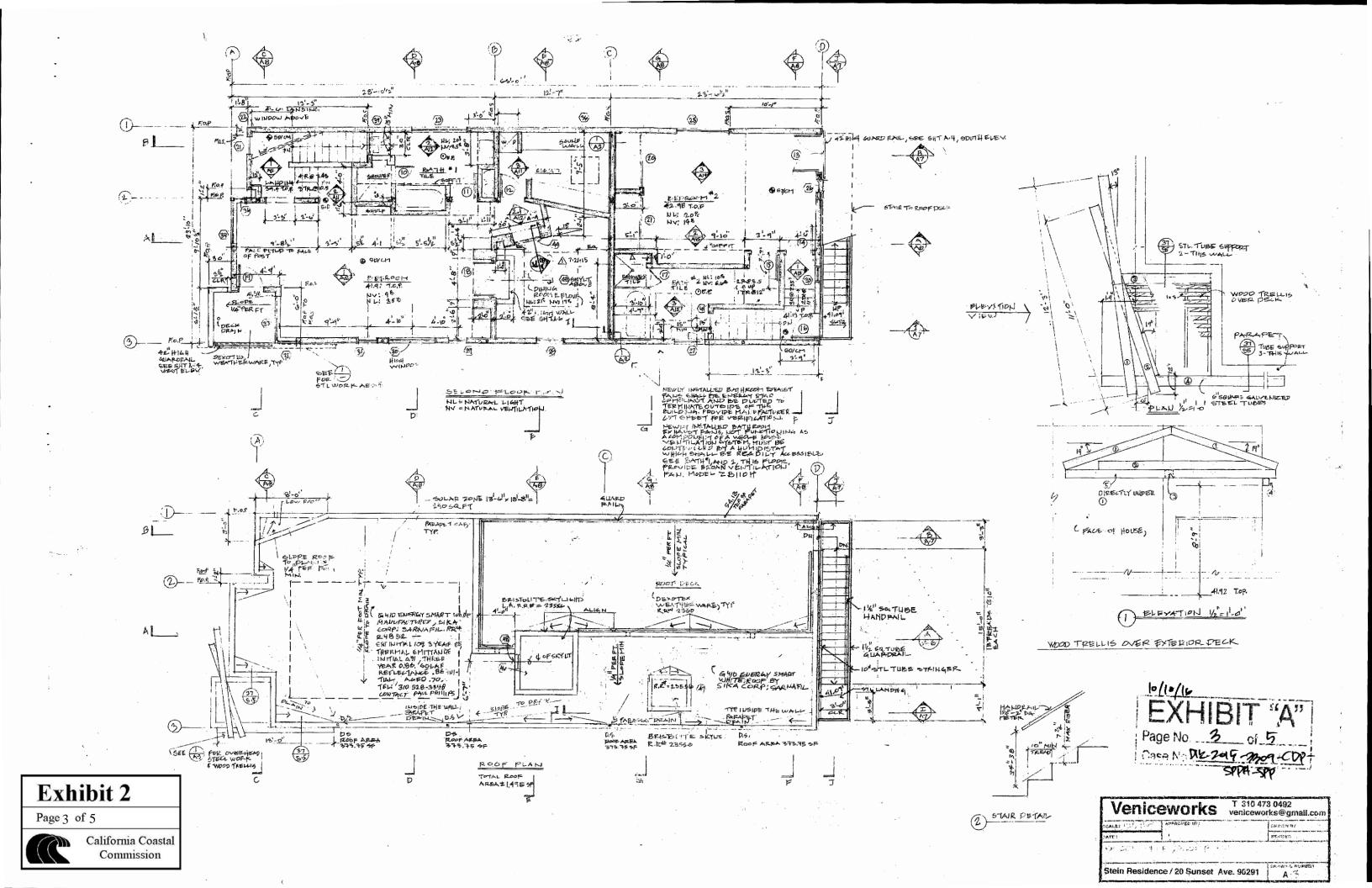
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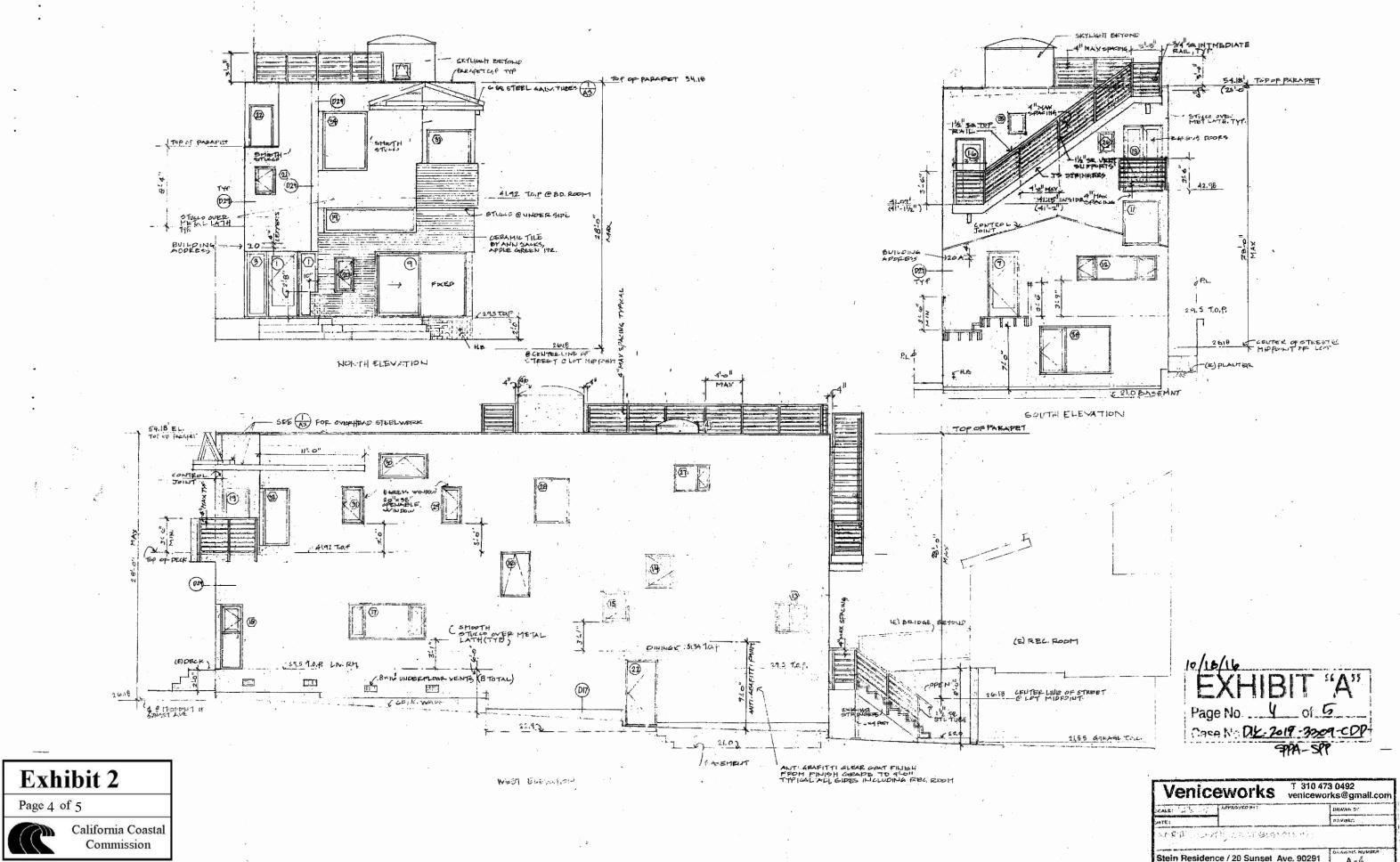




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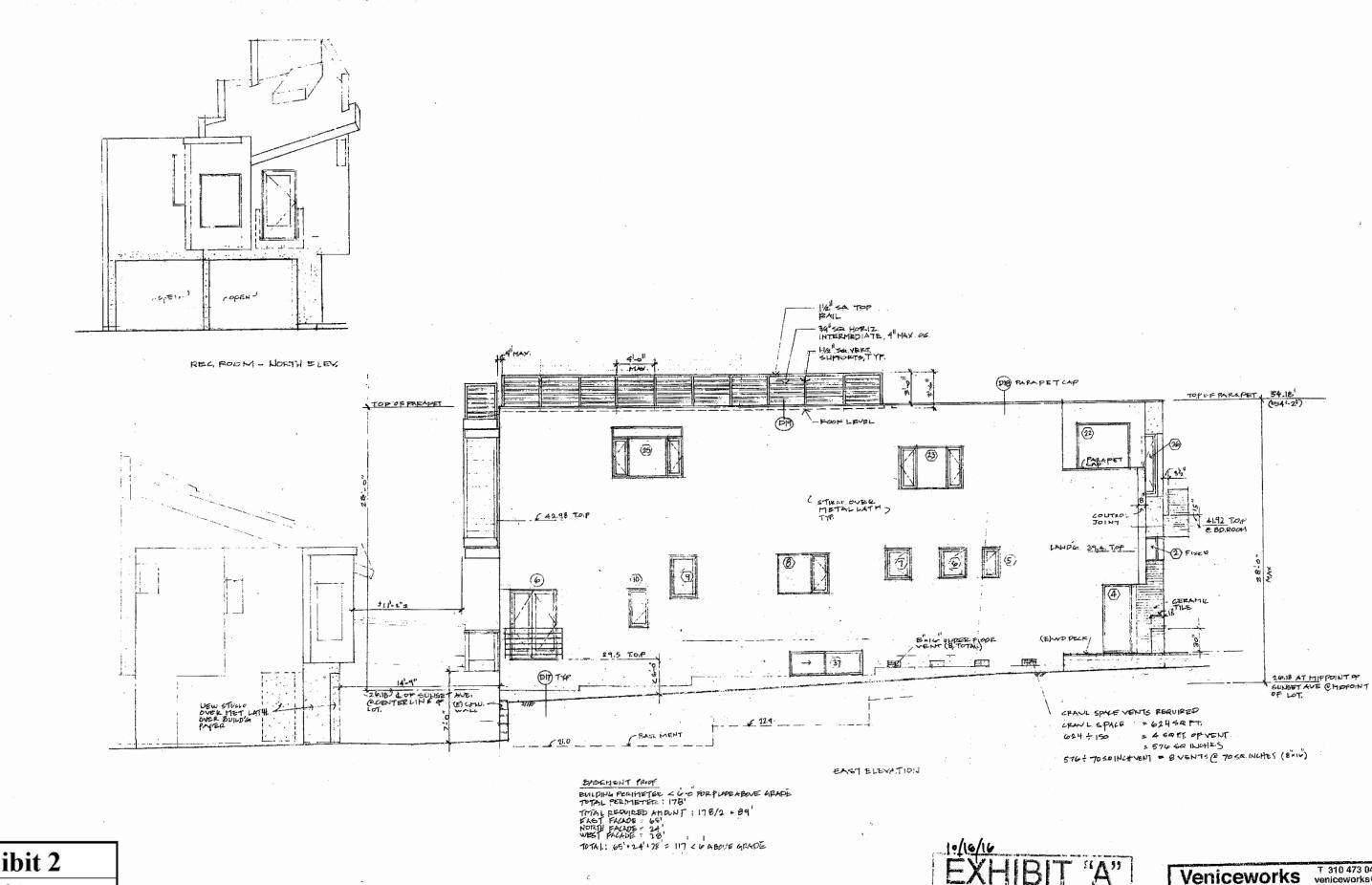


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