

Economic Development, Historic Preservation & Environmental Conservation Committee

AGENDA

April 7, 2023

8:30 am

Town Board Room

a. PUBLIC CONCERNS

b. MINUTES

- a. March 3, 2023

c. Resolutions / Finance Committee

- a. A Resolution calling for adoption of a Local Law concerning 19 NYCRR Part 1203 Uniform Code and the Energy Code: Minimum Standards for Administration and Enforcement
- b. A Resolution making a SEQR determination and calling for a public hearing for a special use permit to combine 17, 25 and 33 Fagan Ave. properties with the existing Kia Automobile lot at 3900 State St, remove two single family homes, and extend the Automobile sales lot onto S Fagan Ave
- c. A Resolution making a SEQR determination on certain Niskayuna Park Improvements for a DASNY grant through Assemblyman Phil Steck
- d. A Resolution to purchase a pavilion for River Road Park

d. Discussions

- a. Perri Ottati Driveway request – utilizing Town ROW

e. Planning Board (Kevin Walsh) – report attached

- a. 1851 Union St (Mohawk Golf Club), 3900 State St, Rivers Ledge, 31 East St, Polsinelli Subdivision, Rivers Ledge Phase 2, Broken Inn

f. Zoning Board – 3 cases for March, 3 residential area variances

g. Grants Update

- a. Submitted NRI proposal to Mohawk River Watersheds Grant
- b. resuming Critical Pedestrian Grant / Upper Union St this spring

h. Complete Streets

- a. Adopted 2023 goals & priority letters
- b. Meeting with Grant Writer – *follow up*

i. Tree Council

- a. Arbor Day – April 29, 2023 at Town Hall 11am-1pm
Will have Birds of Prey this year – need to do an email blast

j. Conservation Advisory Council (Dart Strayer)

- a. SEQR recommendations on Mohawk Golf Club, 3900 State St, DASNY grant
- b. Composting Day / Program
 - . April 29 (10am) Composting 101 Class & Compost bin (Earth Machine)

- . May 2 (6pm) Composting 101 Class & Compost bin pickup (Earth Machine)
- . May 13 – Compost bin (wood) pick-up with stirrers

k. Climate Smart Communities Task Force

- a. Climate Grant RFP

l. Architectural Review Board

m. Comprehensive Plan Committee

- a. Presentation to Town Board
- b. RFP for Comp Plan Consultant

n. Building Department / Enforcement

- a. Zombie Properties Update

o. Planning Department

- a. Consaul Road Sidewalk – look for quote on survey

p. Metroplex (Dr. Horton)

q. Legal (Alaina Finan)

r. Historical (Denis Brennan)

Board Vacancy List

Zoning Board (1 vacancies – alternate)

CAC: (1 Vacancy)

Tree Council (2 vacancies)

Complete Streets Committee: (2 vacancies)

Climate Smart Community Task Force: (2 vacancies)

Architectural Review Board: (2 vacancies)

**NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING: May 5, 2023
at 8:30 am, Via Hybrid In-Person & Remote Meeting Software**

Economic Development, Historic Preservation & Environmental Conservation Committee

MINUTES

March 3, 2023

8:30 am

Members Present:

John Della Ratta, Chairman
Laura Robertson, Town Planner
Alaina Finan, Town Attorney
Beth Greenwood, Comptroller
Dart Strayer, Chairman of the Conservation Advisory Council
Kevin Walsh, Chairman of Planning Board
Denis Brennan, Town Historian
Hayward Horton, Metroplex
Jean Foti, Confidential Secretary to the Supervisor

Public Concerns

Mr. Roy Thornton of 1337 Regent St. spoke virtually. Mr. Thornton discussed the increase in invasive plant species found in Blatnick Park.

Ms. Louisa Lombardo of 1242 Ruffner Rd detailed the historic nature of her neighborhood. Given the wide scope of topics that this Committee deals with, Ms. Lombardo requested the Committee continue to do what's best for the entire community.

Minutes

- February 3, 2023

Mr. Horton made a motion to approve the minutes and it was seconded by Chairman Della Ratta. The minutes were approved unanimously, with the exception of Mr. Walsh who abstained.

2890 River Rd. Presentation

A representative came forward to discuss a right of first refusal issue that was granted to the Town in 1990 for the land adjacent to River Road Park.

He stated that although the Town opted not to continue to exercise its right of first refusal, due to the language included in the right of first refusal it is clouding the parcels title. He displayed previous resolutions and statements detailing when the Town withdrew the funding for the parcel and choose not to pursue its right of first refusal. The representative stated he was requested the Town formalize that they are not exercising their right of first refusal on the parcel so that the title can be cleared.

Chairman Della Ratta confirmed with the man that he was requesting the Town make a resolution stating they would relinquish their right of first refusal, as he is seeking to avoid litigation. The Committee agreed and suggested if this could be done through a letter from the Town Attorney, that option can be pursued first.

41 **Resolutions / Finance Committee**

42 **a. Public Hearing on Local Law concerning 19 NYCRR Part 1203 Uniform Code and the En-**
43 **ergy Code: Minimum Standards for Administration and Enforcement**

44 Ms. Robertson stated the public hearing on the Building Code would be held on March 28.

45 **b. A Resolution calling for adoption of Local Law (tentative)**

46 Ms. Robertson proposed that action could also be taken on the Local Law on March 28 if the Board was
47 amendable. Ms. Finan recommended waiting until the April meeting to call for a resolution adopting the
48 Local Law.

49 Ms. Robertson asked if there should be a resolution for the 2890 River Rd. property that was discussed
50 earlier. Ms. Finan agreed that the Town had relinquished their rights to first refusal but was not sure if a
51 resolution was necessary. The Committee decided on a tentative resolution but Ms. Finan will look into
52 what the proper next step is.

53 **c. PRESENTATION to Town Board from Comp Plan Committee**

54 Chairman Della Ratta and Ms. Finan confirmed with Ms. Robertson that the Comprehensive Plan Com-
55 mittee could make a presentation to the Town Board at the beginning of the March meeting.

56 **Planning Board**

57 Mr. Walsh discussed recent resolutions and approvals from the Planning Board including the project on
58 1760 Union St. and the Chase Bank application in Shop Rite Plaza. Mr. Walsh detailed that the Mohawk
59 Club discussions were ongoing and said that the applicants called the Planning Department cancel the
60 scheduled public hearing and that their new preferred option was option #2.

61 Mr. Walsh confirmed with Chairman Della Ratta that the home on 1245 Ruffner Rd would be preserved
62 in option #2.

63 Mr. Walsh spoke on the recent submissions on the 3900 State St. project that shows a delivery route for
64 vehicle drop off. Ms. Robertson noted that although the Board asked the applicants to show a design that
65 kept the second house, they chose not to do so.

66 Mr. Walsh detailed the public hearing that would take place on March 27 regarding Polsinelli Dr. Mr.
67 Walsh said the applicants could have pursued many more housing units than the two that they are
68 proposing and he feels this is low impact to the neighborhood.

69 The Rivers Ledge project had to abandon their underground parking scheme, and Mr. Walsh stated that
70 while the Board was not supportive of the designs at first they had faith that the applicants will continue
71 with productive conversations.

72 Mr. Walsh stated that as the 31 East St. applicants did not need a use variance there was a tentative
73 resolution called for regarding the project.

74 The Broken Inn submitted further plans for outdoor public seating areas, and the Planning Board is
75 working through some of the logistics with that.

76 Mr. Walsh told Chairman Della Ratta that the Architectural Review Board has been kept apprised of the
77 developments regarding Rivers Ledge and will provide input once the garage designs progress.

78 **Zoning Board**

79 Ms. Robertson stated that there were 3 cases for March, all of which are residential area variances.

80 **Grants Update**

81 Ms. Robertson noted that a member of the Conservation Advisory Council discovered that the Mohawk
82 River Watersheds Grant funds NRIs and she is working with them to submit a grant application towards
83 receiving quotes to help fund this.

84 Ms. Robertson discussed the Critical Pedestrian Grant for Upper Union St, which had unexpected price
85 increases.

86 **Complete Streets**

87 Ms. Robertson stated that cost estimates for Complete Streets goals had been compiled. 2023 goals and
88 priority letters would be finalized at the next meeting. Ms. Robertson was working with the Supervisor's
89 office to get in contact with a grant writer for the Complete Streets goals.

90 **Tree Council**

91 Ms. Robertson stated that the Tree Council continues to work hard on the Tree Master Plan. The Arbor
92 Day celebration would occur on April 29. Ms. Robertson outlined many booths that would be presented
93 during Arbor Day.

94 **Conservation Advisory Council**

95 Mr. Strayer stated that the CAC was working on many of the same projects that the Planning Board was.
96 Regarding the Mohawk Golf Club project, Mr. Strayer said the Council had concerns with the disruption
97 to the neighborhood character and potential future development that may occur on that property, as it is
98 one of the largest open space areas in Niskayuna. The Council feared that the addition of a road into the
99 Club could open up the possibility for further roads in the future.

100 Mr. Strayer also expressed concern that the 3900 State St. project would have a negative impact on the
101 neighbors in the area.

102 Mr. Strayer mentioned a Compost Day program for food waste. Mr. Strayer said there would be multiple
103 events throughout late April and early May, with one of the days coinciding with Arbor Day.

104 Mr. Strayer discussed the low-mow initiative and while he is happy with the mowing procedures on the
105 former landfill, he mentioned that the mowing of the disc golf course may need to be monitored.

106 Mr. Strayer spoke on the Quiet Niskayuna initiative which encourages residents to use electric leaf
107 blowers and other lawn appliances.

108 The Council is also working on identifying wildlife corridors, where wildlife can travel from one park to
109 the next.

110 Chairman Della Ratta echoed Mr. Strayer's thoughts on the Mohawk Golf Club, and emphasized the
111 desire to keep that land public-private as opposed to opening it up for further residential development.

112 **Climate Smart Committee Task Force**

113 Ms. Robertson stated that the Climate Smart grant was ready to go and the next step is to put forward an
114 RFP for a greenhouse gas inventory for the Town as a whole and one for the Town government
115 specifically.

116 **Architectural Review Board**

117 Ms. Robertson stated that the Board continued to look at plans for the Mohawk Club and the Eastern
118 Parkway project had been completed.

119 **Comprehensive Plan Committee**

120 Mr. Strayer stated that the Comprehensive Plan Committee has been working on a public survey that
121 was close to being ready for circulation. Mr. Strayer stated that the Committee was working on outlining
122 what sort of services they would like to receive from an outside consultant.

123 **Building Department**

124 Ms. Robertson stated that Monday is the last round of inspections for the zombie homes.

125 **Planning Department**

126 Ms. Robertson mentioned they were looking forward to the imminent arrival of a new staff member.

127 **Metroplex**

128 Mr. Horton stated he was compiling information from Metroplex but needed to wait for their audit to
129 finish before he could present it to the Board. He hoped to have it for the next meeting.

130 **Legal**

131 Ms. Finan did not have an update today.

132 **Historical**

133 Mr. Brennan said that there were two new members for his committee Mr. Brennan stated that the logo
134 work group is tentatively making a presentation to the Town Board on March 14. Mr. Brennan gave
135 brief updates regarding the push to maintain the historic nature of the Lion's Park train station.

136 Chairman Della Ratta read a note from Ms. Margaret Blechinger of 2410 Parkville Pl who stated there
137 are many residents who are alone, elderly and disabled and that continued access to the transfer station
138 was important. Chairman Della Ratta stated that is the Town's intention.

139 **Adjournment**

140 Chairman Della Ratta made a motion to adjourn the meeting and it was seconded by Mr. Walsh. The
141 meeting was adjourned at 9:18 am.

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- SITE COVER FOR 17, 25, 33, S. FAGAN:**
- TOTAL PROPERTY (~1.09 ACRES)
 - BUILDING COVER (~0.07 ACRE)
 - DRIVEWAY COVER (~0.10 ACRE)
 - WOOD COVER (~0.28 ACRE)
 - GRASS COVER (~0.64 ACRE)
 - IMPERVIOUS AREA (~16%)

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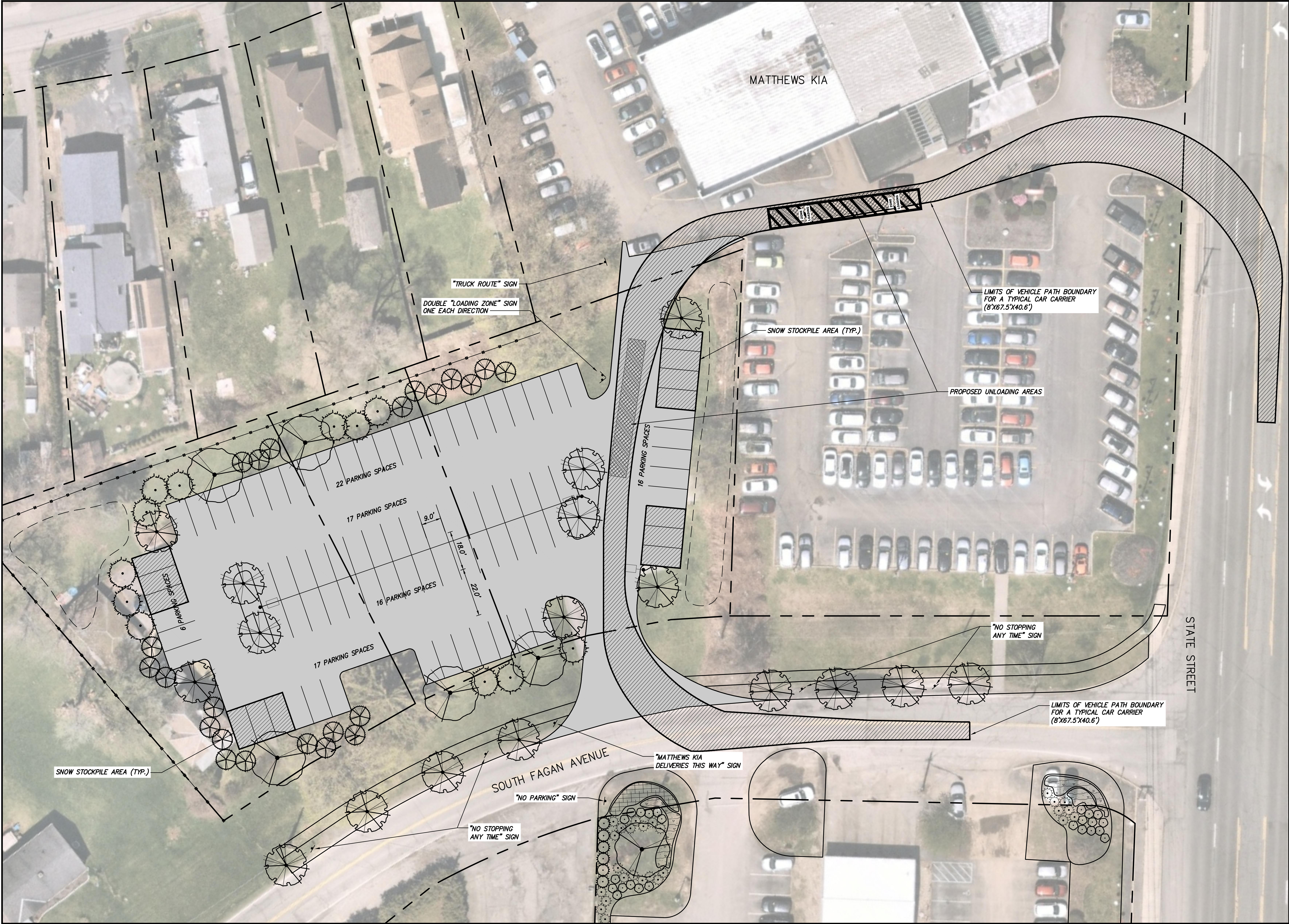
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**New York State
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Governor

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March 28, 2023

Laura Robertson
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1 Niskayuna Circle
ATTN Planning Dept
Niskayuna, NY 12309

Re: DASNY
Niskayuna Parks Improvement Project
Town of Niskayuna, Schenectady County, NY
23PR02282

Dear Laura Robertson:

Thank you for requesting the comments of the Division for Historic Preservation of the Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation (OPRHP). We have reviewed the submitted materials in accordance with the New York State Historic Preservation Act of 1980 (Section 14.09 of the New York State Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation Law). These comments are those of the Division for Historic Preservation and relate only to Historic/Cultural resources. They do not include potential environmental impacts to New York State Parkland that may be involved in or near your project. Such impacts must be considered as part of the environmental review of the project pursuant to the State Environmental Quality Review Act (New York Environmental Conservation Law Article 8) and its implementing regulations (6 NYCRR § 617).

We note that one of the four project locations will impact the State and National Register listed Niskayuna Railroad Station. We have reviewed the proposed decking and railing work as described in the project information document dated November 14, 2022.

Based on this review, it is the opinion of the SHPO that the proposed project will have No Adverse Impact to historic and cultural resources.

If you have any questions, you can call or e-mail me at the contact information below.

Sincerely,

Weston Davey
Historic Site Restoration Coordinator
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DASNY Grant Park Upgrades



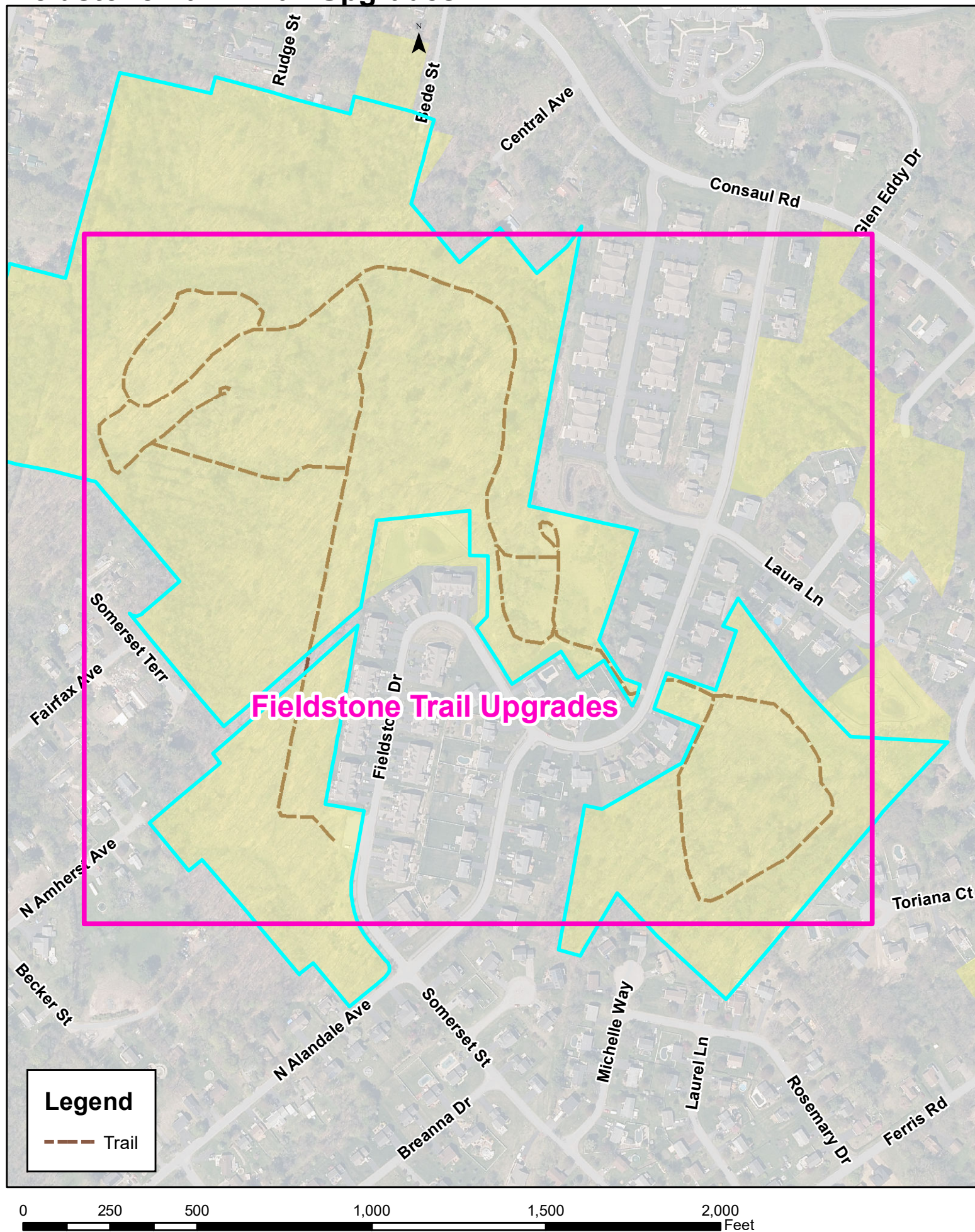
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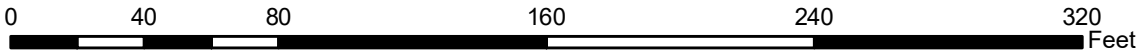
**Avon Crest Park
Repaving and Parking expansion**

0 75 150 300 450 600 Feet

Fieldstone Park: Trail Upgrades



Lions Park Train Station: 3439 Rosendale Rd



RESTORATION OF THE HISTORIC
TRAIN STATION AT LIONS PARK
TOWN OF NISKAYUNA, NY

DESIGN STUDY SKETCH 2
SHOWS ENTRANCES AND SIDE DECKS ACCESSIBLE
TO THE HANDICAPPED. CONTEMPORARY STEEL
SIDE RAILS AT FRONT ENTRY DECK.



RAILING ALTERNATE 2- CONTEMPORARY PIPE RAILING (NEW ADDITION) AT SOUTH FACADE / ENTRY

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Basement Plan Showing
New Deck Anchor
Brackets And
Drilled Screw Piles

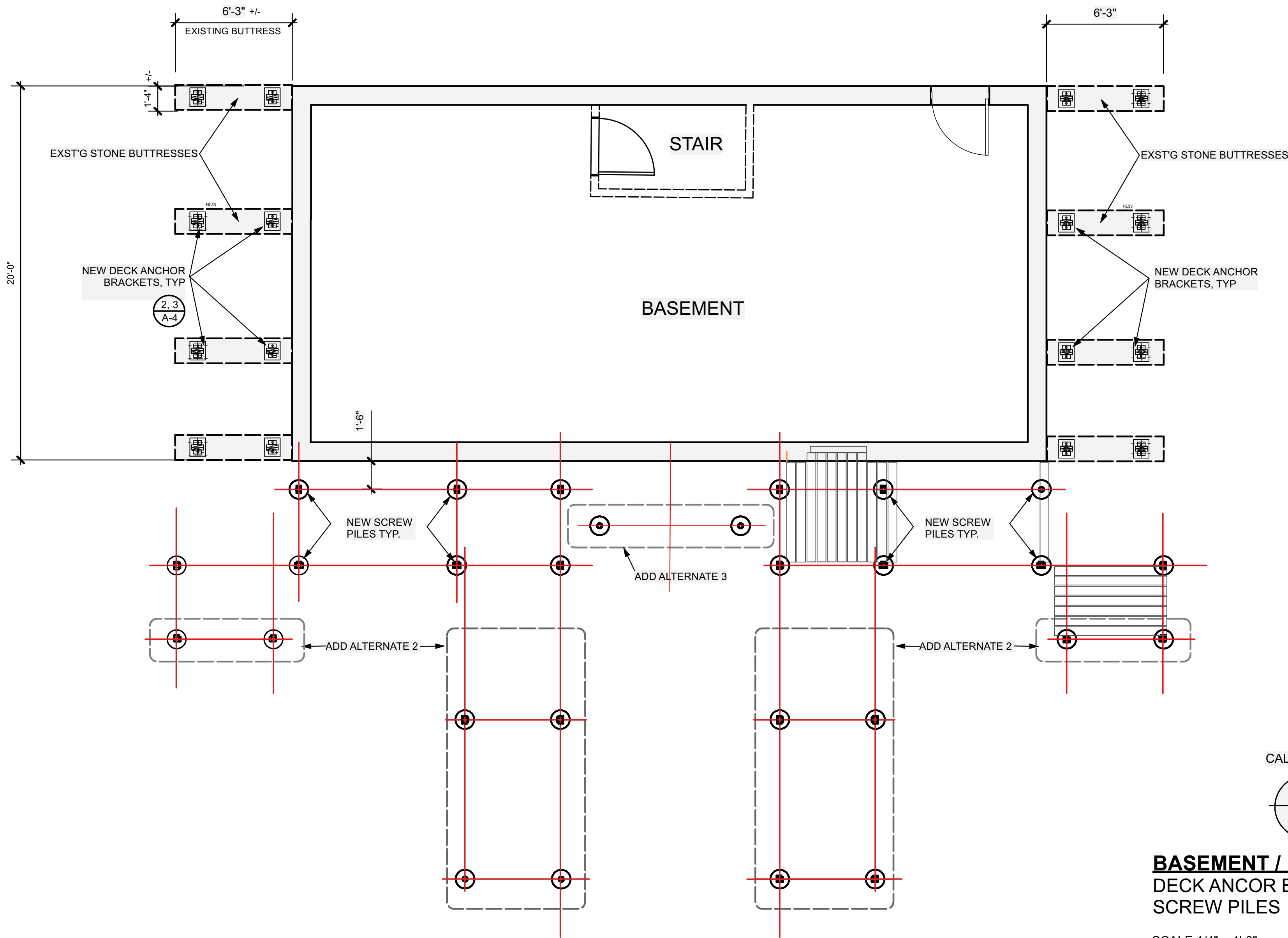
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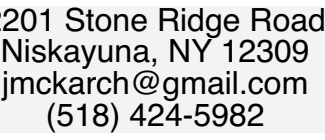
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DECK SUBSTRUCTURE / SCREW PILES
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BASEMENT / BUTTRESS PLAN
DECK ANCOR BRACKETS
SCREW PILES

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Historic Niskayuna Railroad Station Lions Park, Niskayuna, New York 12180 Replacement of Existing Wood Decks

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First floor Plan Showing New Deck Framing and Connection Brackets

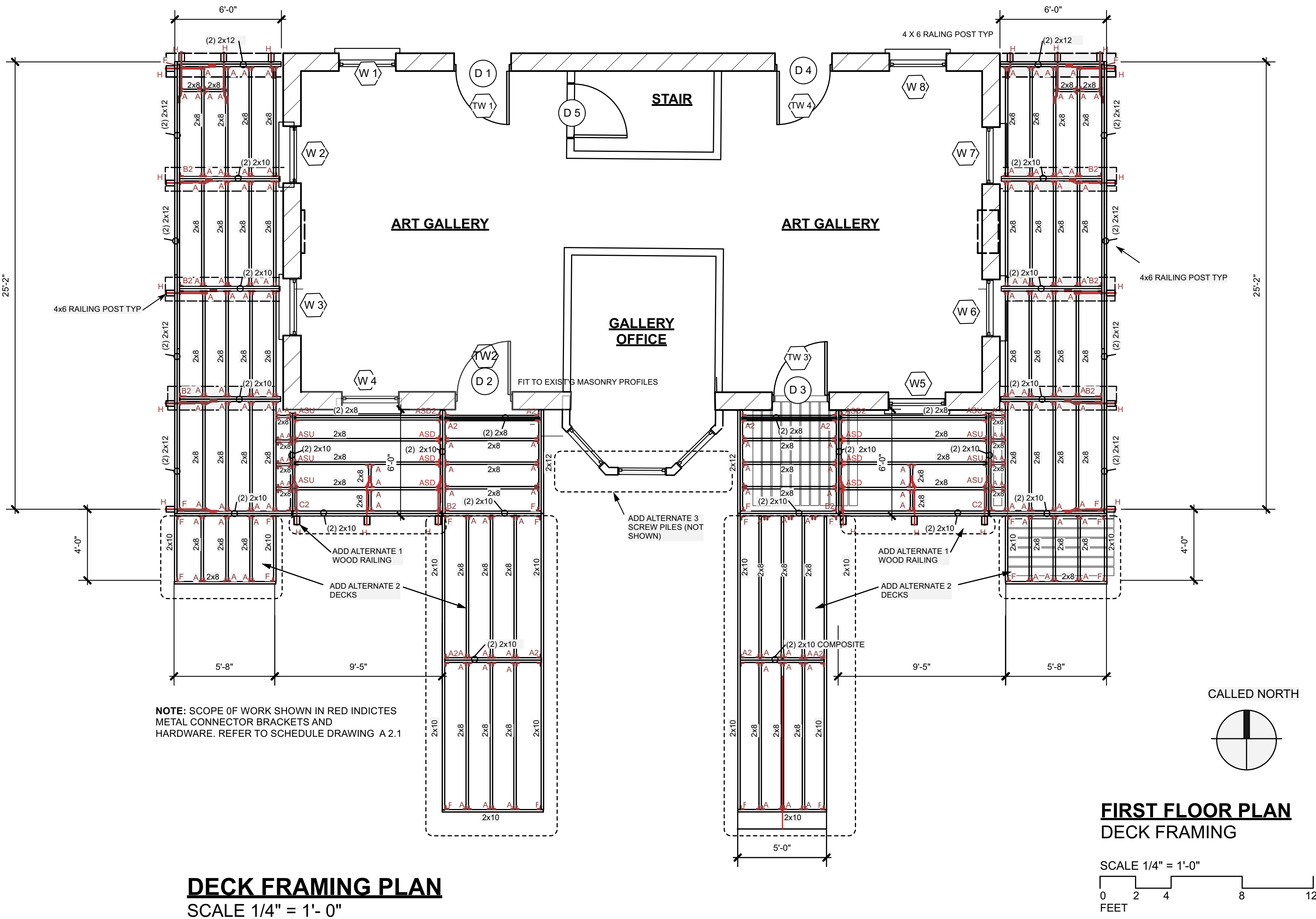
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CONNECTOR SCHEDULE- BASIS OF DESIGN- SIMPSON STRONGTIES

JOIST HANGERS- U SERIES

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A	U26	U SERIES JOIST HANGER	2" X 8"	STEEL/HOT DIP GALVANIZED	SCREWS 0.148 X 1 1/2"	
A2	U26X2	U SERIES JOIST HANGER DOUBLE WIDTH	(2) 2" X 8"	STEEL/HOT DIP GALVANIZED		
ASU	U26AS	U SERIES JOIST HANGER SLOPED 12/1 UPWARD	2" X 8"	STEEL/HOT DIP GALVANIZED		
A2SU	U26X2S	U SERIES JOIST HANGER DOUBLE WIDTH SLOPED 12/1 UPWARD				
ASD	U26 AS	U SERIES JOIST HANGER SLOPED 12/1 DOWNWARD	2" X 8"	STEEL/HOT DIP GALVANIZED		
B	U210	U SERIES JOIST HANGER	2" X 10"	STEEL/HOT DIP GLVANIZED		
B2	U210X2	U SERIES JOIST HANGER DOUBLE WIDTH	(2) 2" X 10"	STEEL/HOT DIP GLVANIZED		
BSU	U210BS	U SERIES JOIST HANGER SLOPED 12/1 UPWARD	2" X 10"	STEEL/HOT DIP GALVANIZED		
BSD	U210BS	U SERIES JOIST HANGER SLOPED 12/1 DOWNWARD	2" X10"	STEEL/HOT DIP GALVANIZED		
C	U210	U SERIES JOIST HANGER	2" X 12"	STEEL/HOT DIP GALVANIZED		
C2	US210X2	U SERIES JOIST HANGER DOUBLE WIDTH	(2) 2" X 12"	STEEL/HOT DIP GALVANIZED		
CSU	US210AS	U SERIES JOIST HANGER SLOPED 12/1 UPWARD	2" X 12"	STEEL/HOT DIP GALVANIZED		
CSU	US210AS	U SERIES JOIST HANGER SLOPED 12/1 downward	2" X 12"	STEEL/HOT DIP GALVANIZED		

ML ANGLES

MARK	NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	JOIST SIZE	MATERIAL/FINISH	FASTENING	NOTES
D	ML24Z	SINGLE 4" ANGLE	-	STEEL/HOT DIP GALVANIZED		
E	ML26Z	SINGLE 6" ANGLE		STEEL/HOT DIP GALVANIZED		
F	ML28Z	SINGLE 8" ANGLE		STEEL/HOT DIP GALVANIZED		
G	ML210Z	SINGLE 10" ANGLE		STEEL/HOT DIP GALVANIZED		

DECK POST MOUNTING

MARK	NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	JOIST SIZE	MATERIAL/FINISH	FASTENING	NOTES
H	HTT4	TENSION TIE		STEEL/HOT DIP GALVANIZED	SD CONNECTOR SCREWS	
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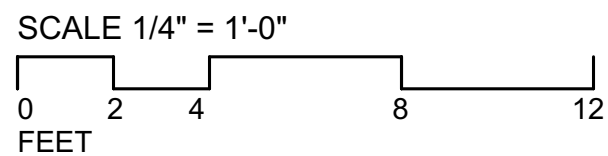
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J	HDU4 SDS2.5	HOLDOWN ANCHORING DECK TO BUTTRESS		STEEL/HOT DIP GALVANIZED	(10) 1/4 X 2 1/2 SDS.	

RESERVED FOR DECK DETAILS

FASTENER SCHEDULE.

DECK, RAILING FRAMING



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Deck and Railing Fastener Schedule

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84 VERTICAL CABLES EACH SIDE OF BUILDING
168 VERTICAL CABLES TOTAL



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First. Floor Plan Showing New Deck Surfaces and New Deck Railings

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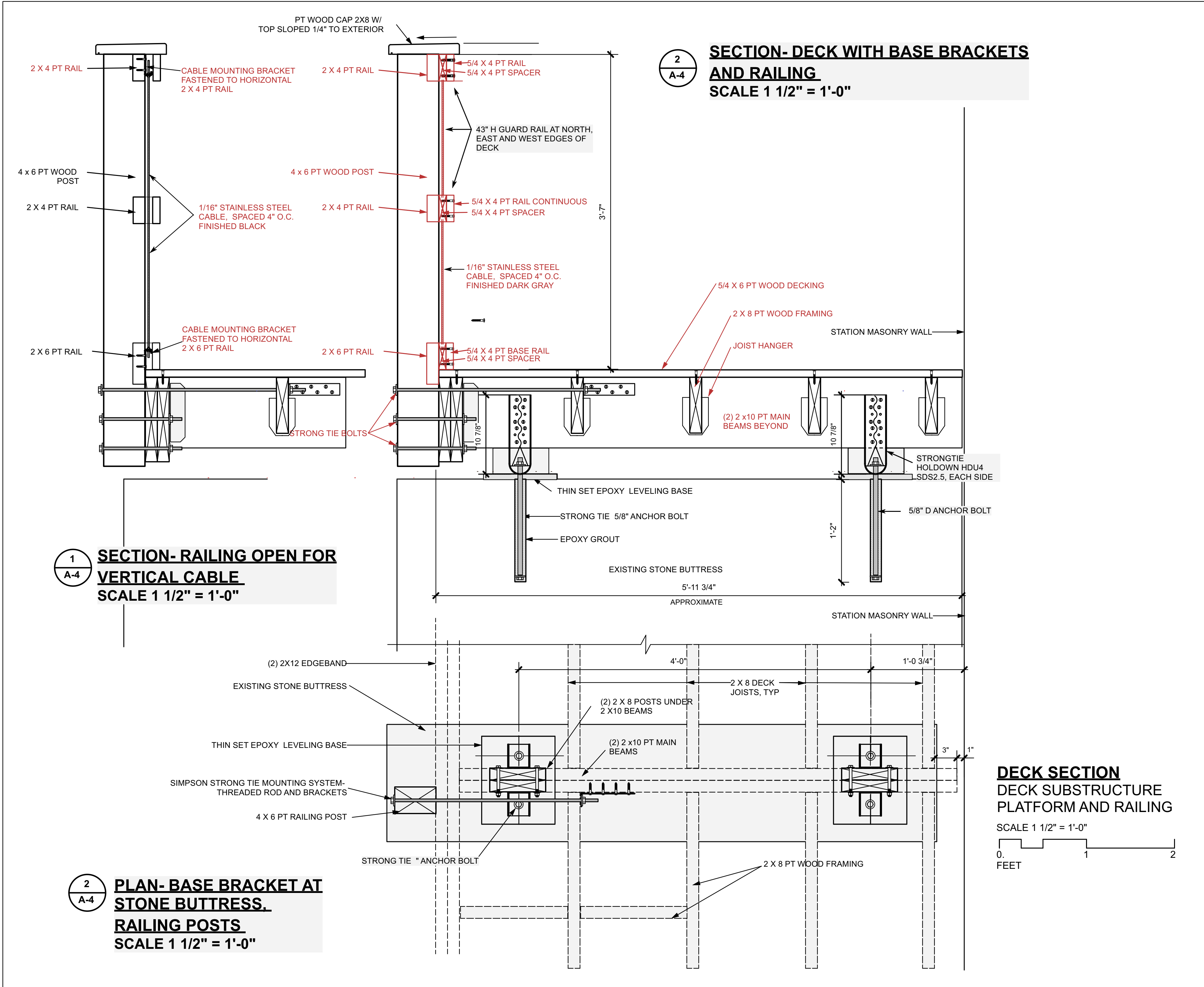
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Deck Section and
Railing Details

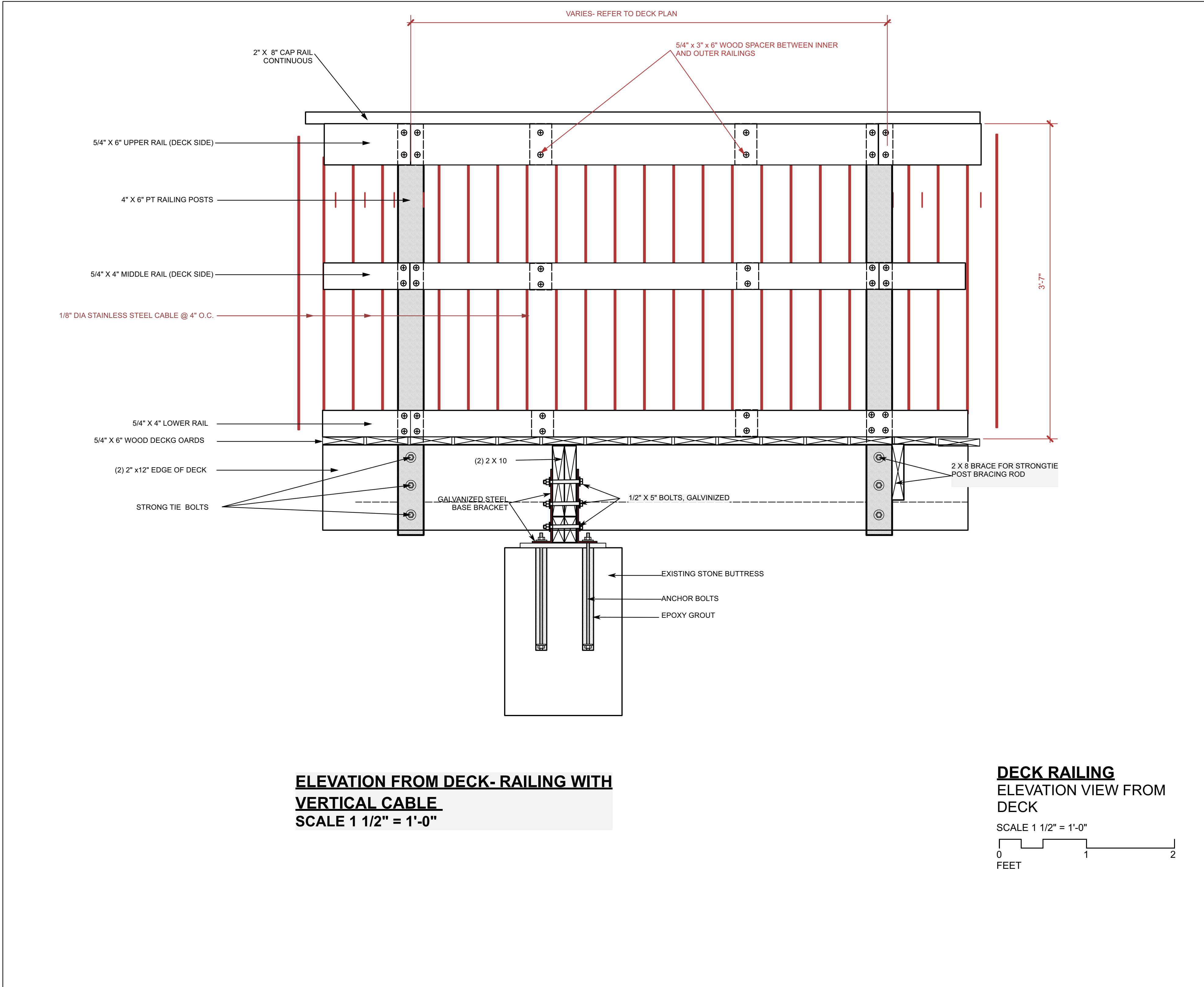
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Railing Elevation from Deck

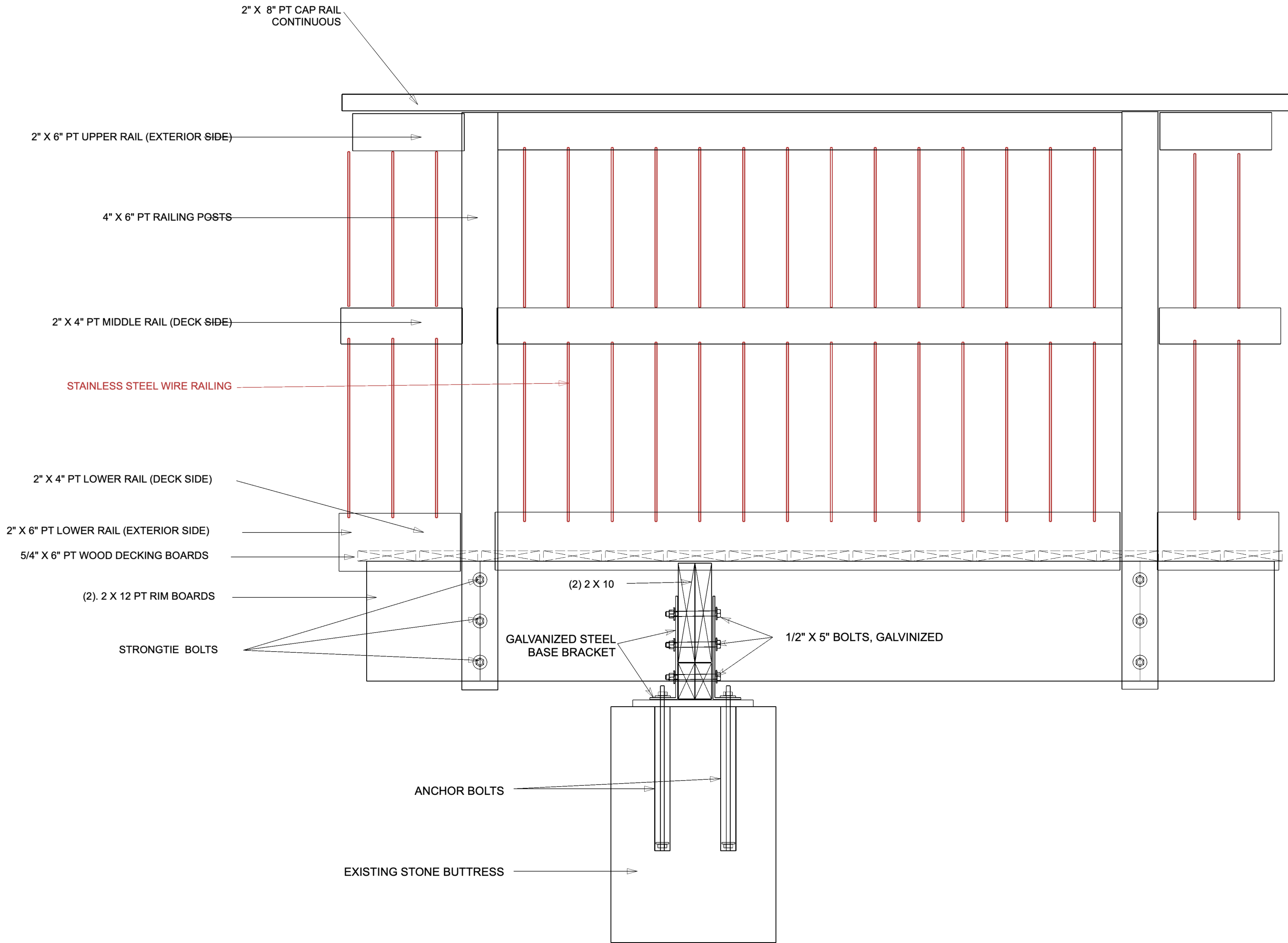
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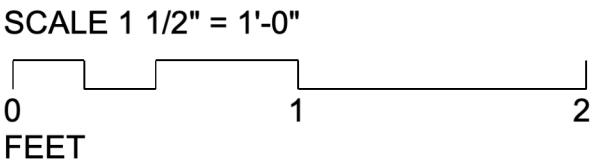
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**ELEVATION FROM EXTERIOR- RAILING WITH
VERTICAL CABLE**
SCALE 1 1/2" = 1'-0"



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**Railing Elevation from
Exterior of Deck**

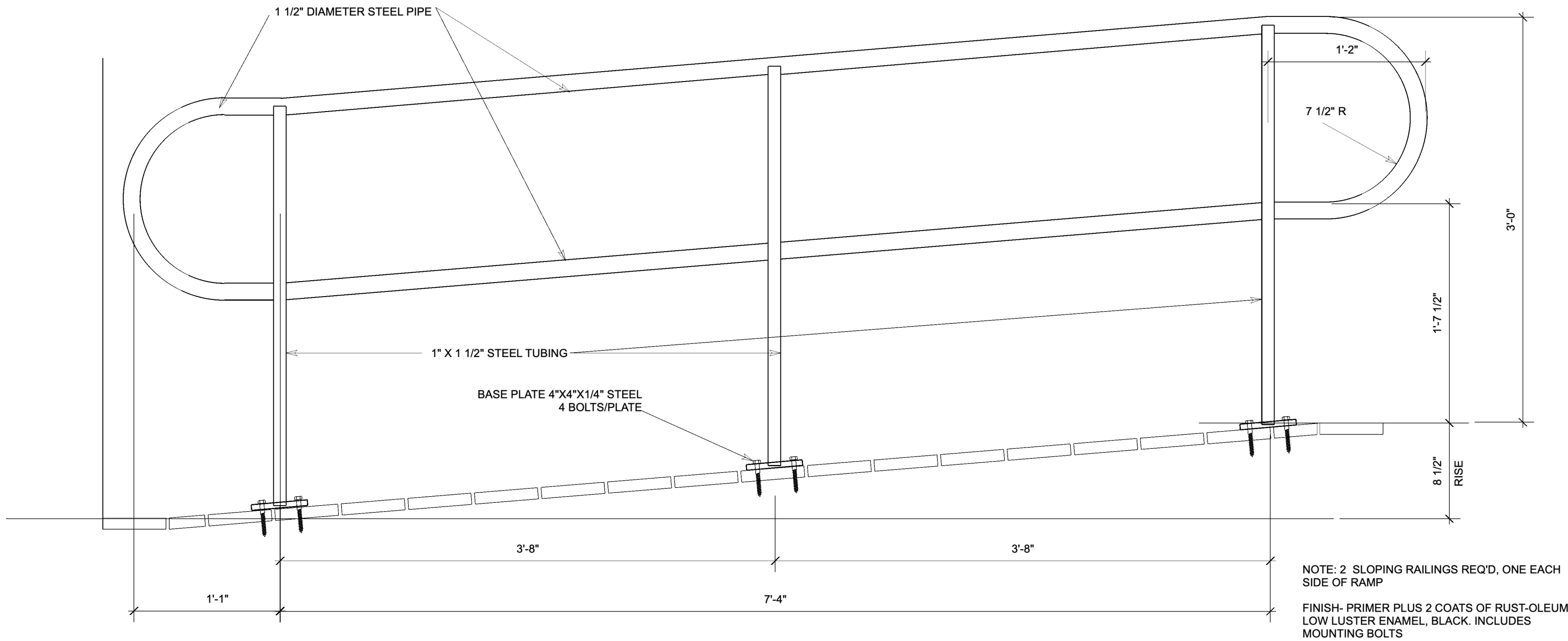
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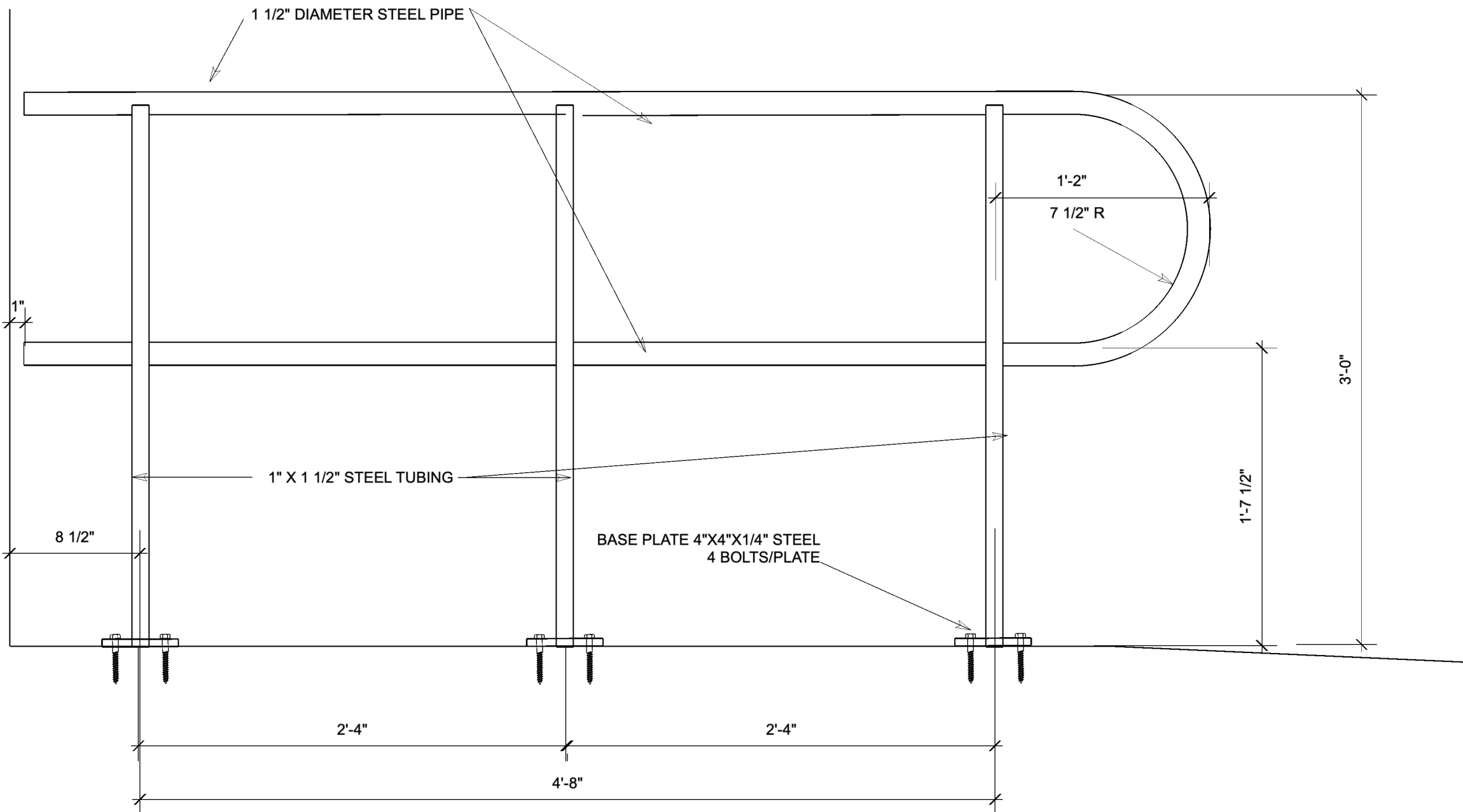
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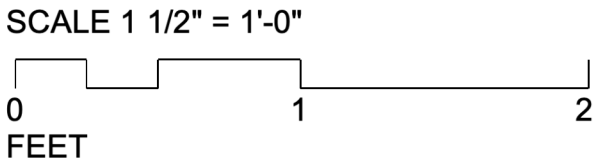
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ELEVATION- ADA HANDRAILS AT RAMP
SCALE 1 1/2" = 1'-0"



ELEVATION- ADA HANDRAILS ADJACENT TO ENTRY DOORS
SCALE 1 1/2" = 1'-0"



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Historic Niskayuna Railroad Station
Lions Park, Niskayuna, New York 12180
Replacement of Existing Wood Decks

Drawing title

Railing Elevation from
Exterior of Deck

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Directions

The first chartered railroad in the country was between Albany and Schenectady in 1825. Concerned that Troy would be left behind the Schenectady and Troy Railroad was incorporated May 21, 1836. The City of Troy began building the railroad in 1841, and trains began running the 21 miles from Schenectady to Troy in the fall of 1841. The city of Troy incorporated the railroad issuing its bonds in the amount of \$649,142. The line was consolidated into the New York Central under the act of 1853. This historic rail station was constructed using local lumber and bricks. Almost immediately locals realized that travel by rail was faster than by the Erie Canal. People from the hamlet of Vischer Ferry and the surrounding area would cross the river on the ferry and walk to the station to board the train. The water tank along side the tracks and the privy behind the station was removed in 1925. Passenger service ended in 1942 and the tracks were removed when the bikeway was constructed and completed in 1984. The Town of Niskayuna maintains this park. It has proved a popular access point to the Mohawk Hudson Bikeway along with access to the Mohawk River and the historic rail station.

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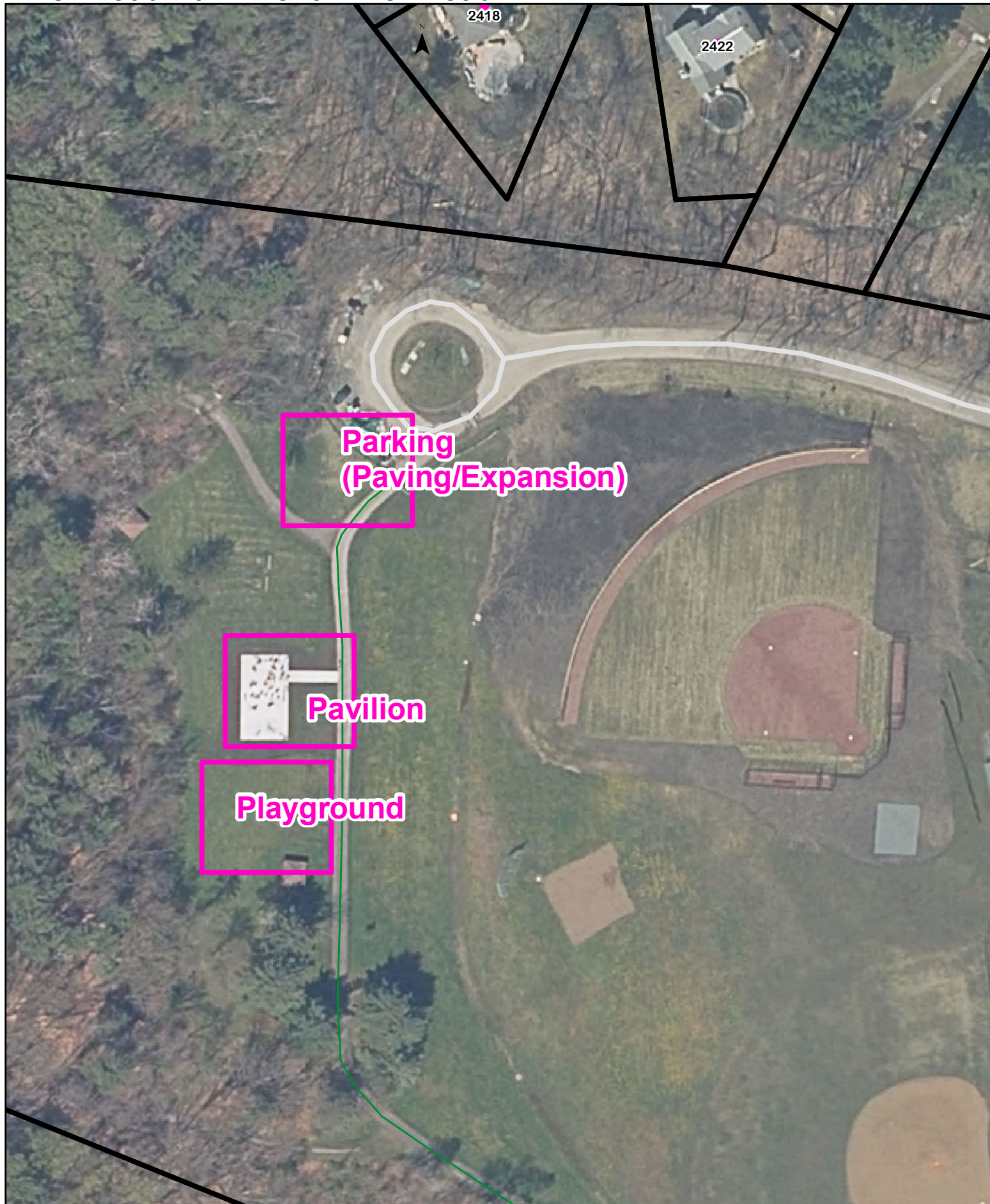


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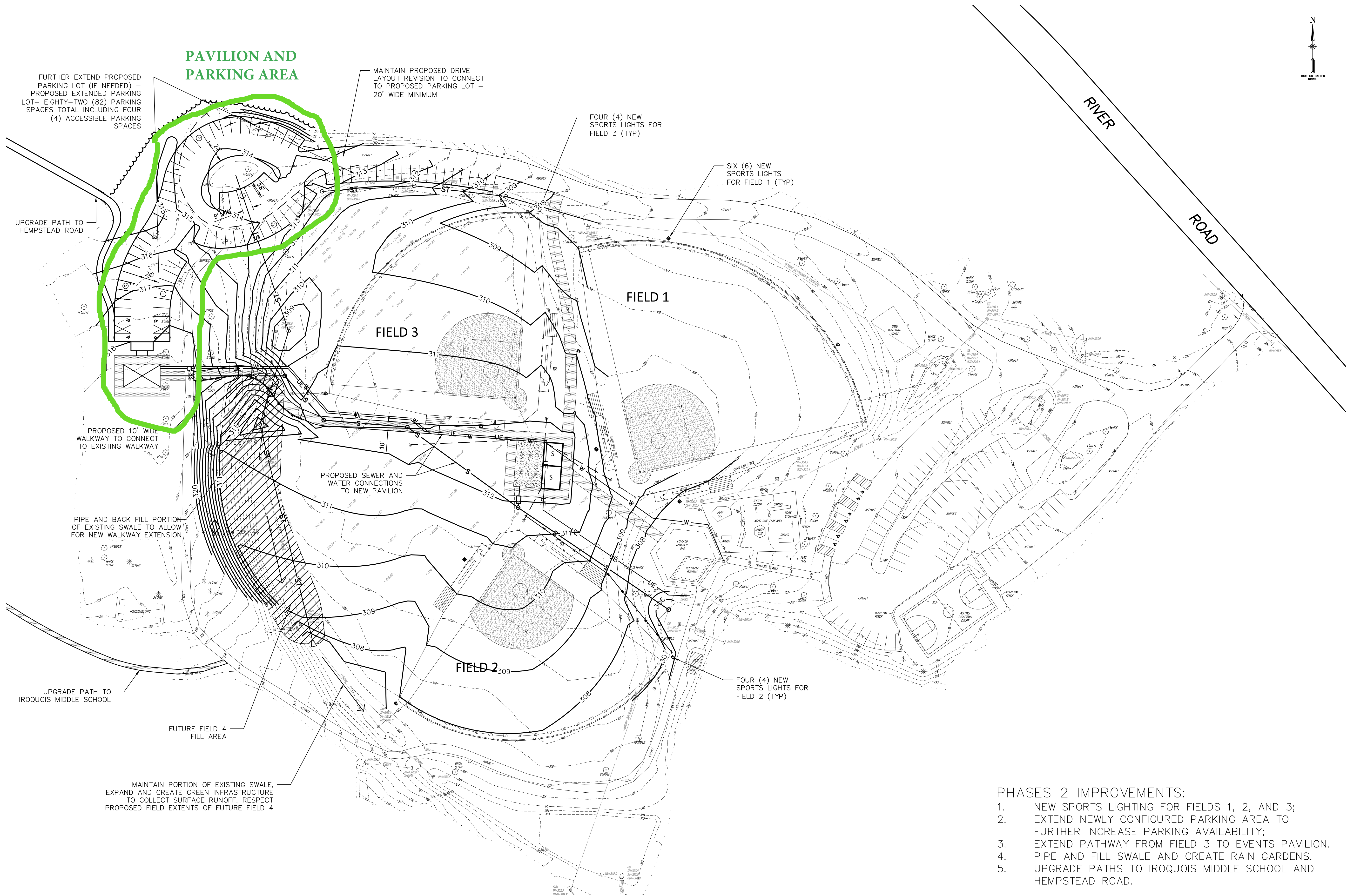
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River Road Park: 2870 River Road



0 62.5 125 250 375 500 Feet

File Name: 402019_ConceptDesign.dwg Project No.: 402.019.001 Project Name: River Road Softball Park Upgrades
Checked by: BHF Drawn by: LGJ In Charge of: STF Last Saved: 5/7/2020



PHASES 2 IMPROVEMENTS:

1. NEW SPORTS LIGHTING FOR FIELDS 1, 2, AND 3;
2. EXTEND NEWLY CONFIGURED PARKING AREA TO FURTHER INCREASE PARKING AVAILABILITY;
3. EXTEND PATHWAY FROM FIELD 3 TO EVENTS PAVILION.
4. PIPE AND FILL SWALE AND CREATE RAIN GARDENS.
5. UPGRADE PATHS TO IROQUOIS MIDDLE SCHOOL AND HEMPSTEAD ROAD.



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TOWN OF NISKAYUNA
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20' x 40' Cedar Gable Ramada



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Summary

Quick Change Wizard

Size: 20' x 40'

Material: Red Cedar

Roof: Gable Roof

Style: Open Rectangle

Item #: [HBWP2040CGR]
Base Price: \$38,499

- [Black Metal Roof](#) [\$4,949]
- [Cupola](#) [\$999]

Included Options

- [Unstained](#) [Incl.]
- [8 ft 5"x5" Straight Laminated Posts](#) [Incl.]
- [16" High Post Trim](#) [Incl.]
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- [Open Gable](#) [Incl.]
- [No Fan](#) [Incl.]
- Standard Beams

Base Specifications

- Product Type: Pavilion
- Product Type: Gazebo
- Product Type: Ramada
- Style: Open Rectangle
- Roof: Gable Roof
- Material: Red Cedar
- Size: 20' x 40'
- Weight: 7200 lbs.

Base Features

- [Unstained Cedar Smooth Wood](#)
- No Floor
- [5x5 Laminated Posts with 16" Tall Post Base Trim](#)
- [Mounting Brackets for Concrete and Decks](#)
- [2x8 Header Straight Beam with Braces \(excludes 18' long models\)](#)
- 2x10 Header Beams on 18' gable ramadas
- 6/12 Pitch Roof with 8" Roof Overhangs
- [Cedar Tongue and Groove Smooth Roof Decking](#)
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Product Reviews

1 - 5 of 55 Reviews

Beautiful, well designed, quality materials

By Geezer Gazebo from Windham ME

We love the gazebo. Ordering was easy, the pallet arrived when promised, and three of us were able to construct the kit over a three day period. Lost a star for easy to fix reasons! - no packing list/inventory- way too many 3-1/2" screws- way too few 2-1/2" screws-no 1-1/2" screws-No roofing nails- roof wedges were not numbered which resulted in quite a bit of trimming- four extra tongue in groove boards-instruction book did not include bench installation - shingling instructions were not clear and cost us half a day. The kit was amazing, but does require good tools and some experience.

Service and Delivery Comments:
Glad I paid extra for lift gate delivery

Was this review helpful? [Yes](#) | [No](#)

274 out of 450 found this review to be helpful!

Wonderful Gazebo/Ramada!!!

By Mark from Baton Rouge, Louisiana

This is a beautiful gazebo! It is amazingly well built and fits together perfectly. I'm proud to have it in my backyard. I suggest that you have at least 3 healthy bodies to lift the 4 roof sections into place, but otherwise it's an easy job if you follow the excellent instructions closely. Fantastic product.

Service and Delivery Comments:
The gazebo was delivered on schedule and in perfect condition. I suggest that you have at least 2 helpers to take it off the truck.

Was this review helpful? [Yes](#) | [No](#)

166 out of 285 found this review to be helpful!

Rave reviews

By BRIAN from PALM SPRINGS

Best, most complete gazebo we found.

Service and Delivery Comments:
short roofing material. sent out immediately at no cost

Was this review helpful? [Yes](#) | [No](#)

320 out of 568 found this review to be helpful!

Ecstatic About My Gazebo!

By Nance from Fall City,

I am very pleased with my gazebo from Fifthroom! I purchased it pre-stained, which was definitely worth the extra expense. I purchased the floor too, which I think is key to the unified appearance of my gazebo. The local person I hired to put up did a perfect job! I highly recommend this company!

Service and Delivery Comments:
I received excellent customer service! The delivery was tricky, but it all went perfectly!

Was this review helpful? [Yes](#) | [No](#)

295 out of 530 found this review to be helpful!

Wedding delight

By Shrubbery from Ilminster UK

just what we needed to make our hotel outdoor wedding experience that little more special


Service and Delivery Comments:
very helpful throughout the transaction particularly because it was for UK

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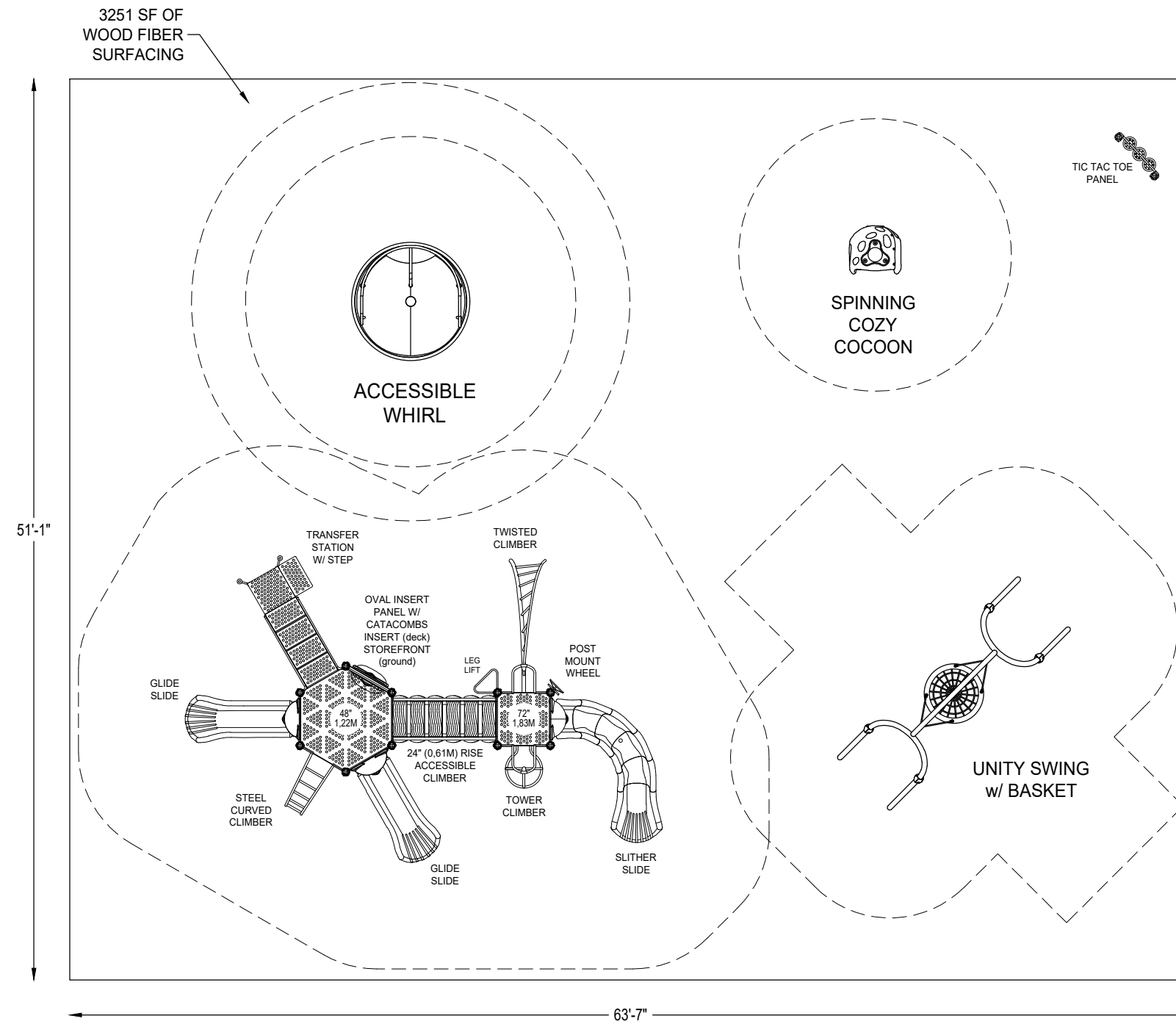


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Forest Green
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Quote

Quote #: 3046256 - A
Date: 4/6/23
Good Until: 4/20/23

Project Advisor

Name: Mike Donaldson
Phone: 888-293-2339 x229
Fax: 724-444-5301
Email: Mike.Donaldson@fifthroom.com

Customer

Ref #:
Job Name:
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Quantity	Product & Description	Unit Price	Total
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Subtotal	\$46,246.00
Municipal Discount 10%	(\$4,444.70)
Shipping	\$0.00
Pre-Tax Total	\$41,801.30
Sales Tax	\$0.00
TOTAL	\$41,801.30

Billing Details

Company: Town of Niskayuna
Name: Laura Robertson
Address: ---
City: Niskayuna
State: New York
Zip Code: 12309
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Email: lrobertson@niskayuna.org

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Payment Terms

1/3 with order, 1/3 after drawings approved,
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Notes

- Size or number of members, types of fastener and other design items could be affected by engineering or local ordinances. Fifthroom.com reserves the right to adjust pricing based on Engineering and local code compliance.
- Fasteners: All Fasteners Included

Shipping Notes

Shipping As a kit and built on site by independent contractor
Method: By Independent Truck
Estimated shipping 4-6 Weeks after Drawing Approval.
Estimated transit time 3-4 days.

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Mr. & Mrs. Zachary Schellenger

2415 Oakland Avenue

Schenectady, NY 12309

3/31/23

To whom it may concern,

We are building a house at 2225 Rosendale Road which is a 1.7-acre lot. The lot directly to the left of 2225 is listed as a "paper street" named "Rosemont Ave". However, the lot is privately owned by Paul LaViolette and the deed for the property, signed by Paul, states that any lot adjacent to the "paper street" can use the "paper street" for access to their driveway. A copy of the deed is attached. 2225 Rosendale Road is to the right of the "paper street". We would like to use the "paper street" (where a driveway opening has already been installed) for driveway access to our property. Attached is a sketch of what we would like to do. This would make access to our property safer as Rosendale Road is a high traffic road.

Attachments:

2225 Rosendale Road Site / Grading Plan

Rosemont Ave "paper street" Deed



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* Grantor - LAVIOLETTE PAUL A
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* Grantee - LAVIOLETTE PAUL A


* FEES

NY LAND SUR	\$4.75
NY E & A FEES	\$116.00
NY LAND COMP SUR	\$14.25
CO GENERAL REVENUE	\$50.50
CO LAND SUR	\$0.25
CO E & A FEES	\$9.00
CO LAND COMP SUR	\$0.75
TOTAL PAID	\$195.50

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Transfer Tax Amount - \$ 0.00

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WARRANTY DEED

THIS INDENTURE, made this 6th day of October, Two Thousand Sixteen

BETWEEN PAUL A. LaVIOLETTE, residing at 1176 Hedgewood Lane, Niskayuna, New York 12309, and MARY M. LaVIOLETTE-ANGE, residing at 4607 Exeter Street, Annandale, Virginia 22003,

parties of the first part, and

PAUL A. LaVIOLETTE, residing at 1176 Hedgewood Lane, Niskayuna, New York 12309,

party of the second part,

WITNESSETH that the party of the first part, in consideration of ONE Dollar (\$1.00) lawful money of the United States, and other good and valuable consideration paid by the party of the second part, does hereby grant and release unto the party of the second part, their heirs or successors and assigns of the party of the second part,

ALL that lot or parcel of land situate in the Town of Niskayuna, County of Schenectady and State of New York, known as Lot No. M, on revised map #1 of Rosemont Knolls (not yet filed) said Lot M, being the same lots known as Lots #44, 45, 75, and 76, on map of Rosemont Knolls made by W.W. Chadsey, July 28, 1925, and filed in the Schenectady County Clerk's Office and more particularly bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at a point on the Easterly margin of Hedgewood Avenue, as laid out on said map, which point is the North Westerly corner of Lot #74, as laid out on said map running thence Northerly along said Easterly margin of Hedgewood Ave. (now called Hedgewood Lane), one hundred (100) feet; thence at right angles Easterly along the Southerly margin of Lots #77 and 43, designated on said map two hundred fifty two (252) feet to the westerly margin of Rosemont Avenue, as laid out on said map; thence Southerly along the said westerly margin of Rosemont Avenue one hundred (100) feet; thence at right angles Westerly along the Northerly margin of Lots #46 and 74, as laid out on said map two hundred fifty two (252) feet to the point or place of beginning, be the aforesaid dimensions more or less.

The above described premises are sold and conveyed subject to certain restrictions now on record.

BEING the same premises conveyed by Knolls Realty Company, Inc. to Fred LaViolette and Irene V. Laviolette by deed dated April 25, 1947 and recorded in the office of the Schenectady County Clerk on April 25, 1947 in Book 557 of Deeds at Page 331.

ALSO, ALL that piece, parcel or lot of land situate and being in the Town of Niskayuna, County of Schenectady, State of New York, known and designated as Lots #22, 23, 24 and 25, on Map of Rosemont Knolls made by W. W. Chadsey for the Home Seekers Development Co., Inc., and filed in the Schenectady County Clerk's Office in July, 1925, which parcel

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43 + 58.1 N 50.12 SEC 1
LOT 1
B.T.S.A. TAX MAP IDENT 1

measures approximately 100' x 200'.

Subject to all covenants, easements, agreements and restrictions of record.

BEING the same premises conveyed by Elizabeth D. Orr, Dudley P. Digges and National Commercial Bank and Trust Company as Executors of the Estate of Caroline Fleet Diggs to Frederick G. LaViollette and Irene V. LaViollette by deed dated September 14, 1972 and recorded in the office of the Schenectady County Clerk's Office on January 4, 1973 in Book 963 of Deeds at Page 1119.

ALSO, ALL that certain pieces or parcels of land being a certain portion of Berkely Avenue and Rosemont Avenue as laid out on a map of Homeseekers Developing Company, Inc., duly filed with the Schenectady County Clerk's office more particularly described as follows:

(1) Berkely Avenue:

Beginning at a point where the southerly margin of Berkely Avenue meets the easterly line of Hedgewood Lane (being also the Northwest Corner of Lot #72, shown on said map), and running thence easterly along the northerly lines of Lots #72 and #48, on said map, and thence across Rosemont Avenue to the Northwestern corner of Lot #19, on said map, and thence still easterly along the northerly margin of Lot #19, to the lands now or formerly of Van Olinder; thence northerly along the easterly line of the lands now or formerly of Van Olinder 60.02 feet to the Southeast corner of Lot #20 shown on said map; thence westerly along the southerly margin of Lot #20, and across Rosemont Avenue to the Southeast corner of Lot #47, on said map, and thence westerly along the southerly margins of Lots #47 and #73, on said map, to the Southwest corner of Lot #73; thence southerly along the easterly margin of Hedgewood Lane to the point or place of beginning.

(2) Rosemont Avenue:

Beginning at the Southeast corner of Lot #47, on said map, and running thence northerly along the southerly margins of Lots #47, 46, 45, 44, 43, and 42 to the Southeast corner of Lot #41, now or formerly of Glenn Roe; thence at right angles easterly across Rosemont Avenue to the Southwest corner of Lot #26 on said map; thence southerly along the westerly margins of Lots #25, 24, 23, 22, 21, and 20 to the Southwest corner of Lot #20 on said map; thence westerly across Rosemont Avenue to the Southeast corner of Lot #47 on said map, to the point or place of beginning.

(3) Rosemont Avenue:

Beginning at a point which is the Southeast corner of Lot #5, as shown on said map, and running thence northerly along the easterly margins of Lots Nos. 5, 60, 59, 58, 57, 56, 55, 54, 53, 52, 51, 50, 49 and 48 as shown on said map 850 feet more or less to the Northeast corner of Lot No. 48 as shown on said map; thence easterly across Rosemont Avenue as shown on said map to the Northwest corner of Lot #19, on said map; thence southerly along the westerly margin of Lots Nos. 19, 18, 17, 16, 15, 14, 13, 12, 11, 10, 9, 8, 7, and 2 to the Southwest corner of Lot #2, on said map; thence westerly along the northerly margin of Rosendale Road to the Southeast corner of Lot #5, on said map, to the point or place of beginning.

The above land hereby conveyed is sold subject to its use for future

street purposes and to the right of access thereon by any person owning land adjacent to the land hereby conveyed.

BEING the same premises conveyed by Ernest A. R. Cohen to Fred G. LaViolette and Irene V. LaViolette by deed dated May 7, 1974 and recorded in the office of the Schenectady County Clerk on April 7, 1992 in Book 1337 of Deeds at Page 110.

Fred LaViolette died on October 27, 2008 leaving Irene V. LaViolette as his surviving spouse. Irene V. LaViolette died on May 20, 2016 leaving as her sole distributees her children, Paul A. LaViolette and Mary M. LaViolette-Ange, the grantors herein.

TOGETHER with the appurtenances and all the estate and rights of the party of the first part in and to said premises,

TO have and to hold the premises herein granted unto the party of the second part, the heirs or successors and assigns of the party of the second part forever.

AND the party of the first part covenants as follows:

FIRST, That the party of the first part is seized of the said premises in fee simple, and has good right to convey the same;

SECOND, That the party of the second part shall quietly enjoy the said premises;

THIRD, That the premises are free from incumbrances, except as aforesaid,

FOURTH, That the party of the first part will execute or procure any further necessary assurance of the title to said premises;

FIFTH, That the party of the first part will forever **Warrant** the title to said premises;

SIXTH, the party of the first part, in compliance with Section 13 of the Lien Law, covenants that the party of the first part will receive the consideration for this conveyance and will hold the right to receive such consideration as a trust fund to be applied first for the purpose of paying the cost of the improvement and will apply the same first to the payment of the cost of the improvement before using any part of the total of the same for any other purpose.

The word "party" shall be construed as if it read "parties" whenever the sense of this indenture so requires.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the party of the first part has duly executed this deed the day and year first above written.

IN PRESENCE OF

Paul Alex LaViolette L.S.
PAUL A. LAVIOLETTE

Mary LaViolette-Ange L.S.
MARY M. LAVIOLETTE

State of New York)
County of Schenectady) ss.:

On July 18, 2016 before me, the undersigned, personally appeared MARY M. LAVIOLETTE, personally known to me or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the individual whose name is subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that she executed the same in her capacity, and that by her signature on the instrument, the individual, or the person upon behalf of which the individual acted, executed the instrument.

Gary J. O'Connor
NOTARY PUBLIC

GARY J. O'CONNOR
NOTARY PUBLIC, State of New York
Residing in Schenectady County
Commission Expires April 30, 2018
Reg. #8187850

State of Virginia
County of Fairfax

On October 6th, 2016 before me, the undersigned, personally appeared PAUL A. LaVIOLETTE personally known to me or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the individual whose name is subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he executed the same in his capacity, and that by his signature on the instrument, the individual, or the person upon behalf of which the individual acted, executed the instrument, and that such individual made such appearance before the undersigned in Fairfax, Virginia. (insert city or political subdivision and state or county or other place acknowledgment taken)



Loretta M. Colom
Commonwealth of Virginia
Notary Public
Commission No. 161467
My Commission Expires 3/31/2019

Paul A. LaViolette

2023 Goals for Niskayuna Complete Streets Committee

ADOPTED 3/31/2023

Infrastructure

- 1. Route 7 Road Safety and Traffic Calming Measures.** Route 7 in Niskayuna (also known as Troy Schenectady Road) has had 4 traffic fatalities in the last 12 month period (as of February 2023). The Complete Streets Committee will continue to provide support recommendations to Town and County officials who are requesting that the New York State Department of Transportation (NYSDOT) implement road safety and traffic calming measures on State Route 7 in Niskayuna.
- 2. Submit application under Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) funding.** The Federal Bipartisan Infrastructure Law of 2022 (BIL) establishes the Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) program that will provide federal funding to prevent roadway deaths and serious roadway injuries. The Complete Streets Committee will encourage and provide support for Town and County officials to prepare an application in 2023 under this funding program that will address one or more road safety projects in Niskayuna.
- 3. Plum Street Sidewalk -** Monitor completion of a sidewalk along **Plum Street** from Van Antwerp Road to the sidewalk at the end of Hillside Elementary School parking lot. Town of Niskayuna will fund sidewalk along the front of one home on Plum Street, school district to pay costs of the sidewalk on school property that will connect to the existing sidewalk in the parking area of the school.
- 4. Grand Boulevard Curbs and Bike Lane -** Support planning by Schenectady County to install new curbing on **both sides of Grand Boulevard** from Nott Street up to Van Antwerp Road and to include a **painted bike lane** on each side of Grand Boulevard along this route.
- 5. Push Button Crosswalks on Nott Street and on River Road -** Continue to support the Town Complete Streets Committee recommendation to Schenectady County that a **push button crosswalk** be added to the intersection of **Regent Street and Nott Street** (county road) and continue to monitor the completion of a push button crosswalk be added to **River Road (county road) at St Joseph's Drive** which is funded by grant money.
- 6. Pedestrian and bike paths added to Niskayuna Schools –** Continue meetings with Niskayuna School District officials to ensure that pedestrian and bike path improvements that have been recommended by the Complete Streets Committee are included in planned improvements at each the eight school campuses in the school district. These school campus improvements could be funded as part of approved bonding resolutions in 2021 by school district taxpayers or by new bonding resolutions that may be put before school district taxpayers for approval.

7. **Birchwood Lane Side path or Sidewalk -and Push Button Crosswalk** at entrance to Birchwood Elementary. Work on possible funding sources and prepare preliminary plan for side path or sidewalk on Birchwood Lane from Route 7 to the Town Line with the Town of Colonie that will serve students and parents who wish to walk from nearby neighborhoods to Birchwood Elementary School. Support installation of push button crosswalk on Birchwood Lane at entrance to Birchwood Elementary School. Students and parents walking to Birchwood Elementary would have a safe walk path along Birchwood Lane.
8. **Cornelius Avenue Side path** - Work on possible funding sources and prepare preliminary plan for side path or concrete sidewalk along Cornelius Avenue between Story Avenue and Hillside Elementary School. Students and parents walking to Hillside Elementary would be out of the roadway used by cars and buses.
9. **Rosendale Road Bike-path and/or sidewalk construction** - Work on feasibility and possible funding sources for an asphalt side path on Rosendale Road from Rosehill BLVD to Lishakill Nature Preserve and concrete sidewalk on Rosendale Road from Upper Union to Mayfair Drive. Side path would enable pedestrians and bicyclists to safely reach Rosendale Elementary and Iroquois Middle School and the Lishakill Nature Preserve using Rosendale Road.
10. **Clifton Park Road/Nott Street/Crescent Road intersection** – Support going forward with design improvements at the intersection of Clifton Park Road and Nott Street and the intersection of Clifton Park Road and Crescent Road that will allow for safer and more orderly auto traffic movement, pedestrian movement, and car parking at these intersections. The Complete Street Committee has forwarded recommendations to the Town.
11. **Complete missing bike path segments on Hillside Avenue** between Providence Avenue and Banker Avenue. This will provide a safer pedestrian and bike route to the Town Pool and Community Center and a closer connecting link to the Mohawk Hudson Bike Path. Encourage Town Officials to send a request to National Grid, the US Army Reserve Center, and apartment complexes on Hillside Avenue to complete segments of the bike path that lie along the frontage of their property adjacent to Hillside Avenue.
12. **Use of Utility Corridors for additional bike and pedestrian access** – Continue to investigate the feasibility of bike and pedestrian trails that would lie under power line corridors in the Town of Niskayuna. Even an agreement between the Town and Utility Corridor operators that would allow residents to use existing dirt trails would be as useful as a recreational resource and a way to add further connectivity to the existing town wide bike and pedestrian path system.

Public Education on pedestrian, bicycle, and motorist safety

1. **Write up results of Town Survey** – Write up results of Complete Streets Committee survey of Town residents on walkability and bike ability issues that was conducted in Feb-March of 2021.
2. Offer recommendations on **Update of Transportation Chapter of Town of Niskayuna 2023 Comprehensive Plan** – The Complete Streets Committee will offer recommendations to the 2023 Town Comprehensive Plan Committee designed to strengthen access and safety of pedestrian, bicycle, bus, and automobile movement in the Town.
3. **Conduct Demonstration Project in 2023**– Plan and conduct a demonstration project in 2023 that addresses one or more aspects of safe pedestrian, bike, or automobile movement.
4. **Safety signage on Mohawk Hudson Bike Path** – continue to offer recommendations and support to current efforts by Metroplex Development Authority and Schenectady County to add additional safety and directional signage on the Mohawk Hudson Bike Path (MHBT) in Schenectady County
5. **Maintain Source Document on Traffic Calming Measures** – The Committee will continue to add to and maintain a source document of traffic calming measures. Examples include photos of traffic calming measures used in neighboring communities.
6. **Strengthen relationship with Niskayuna Police Department and Niskayuna Highway Department** – Invite Traffic Safety Officer and Highway Department to Complete Streets meeting. Discuss safety of mini-roundabouts.
7. **Make additions to the Town’s website on information about the Town Complete Streets Committee**

(Last revised 3/29/2023 WRC)

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Niskayuna Central School District

2023 priorities.

1. Safe Bike and Pedestrian access to Schools

The Complete Streets Committee encourages the Niskayuna School District to continue its efforts to provide safe pedestrian and bicycle access to each of the eight school campuses in the district. The School District should carefully consider the specific infrastructure recommendations on bike and pedestrian access provided by architects and construction staff hired by the District for bonding supported upgrades at each school campus and also consider specific recommendations from the Town of Niskayuna Complete Streets Committee for each school campus.

2. School Zone and Crosswalk for Craig Elementary School

The Town of Niskayuna received a grant award from the Capital District Transportation Committee/Capital District Regional Planning Committee (CDTC/CDRPC) for technical assistance to evaluate potential improvements to the walking environment along Balltown Road in the vicinity of the Craig Elementary School. The first and most crucial step for Complete Streets improvements for all modes of traffic in that area is to establish a school zone in front of Craig Elementary School on Balltown Road. The Town asks that the School District add its support to this request to the State Department of Transportation. The second critical step for Complete Streets identified in the CDTC/CDRPC study is the creation of a crosswalk between Craig Elementary School and the Schenectady JCC. Many Craig Elementary School students attend after school programs at the JCC, there is an overlap in staff and the JCC is the shelter in place site for the school. Aerial photography indicates there was a crosswalk between the two as little as 8 years ago, and the lack of crosswalk there now creates difficulty for these two major pedestrian generators.

3. Asphalt side-paths at Rosendale Elementary and Iroquois Middle School.

The School District is asked to provide an asphalt trail from Rosendale Elementary School that would extend to the school district property line next to the adjacent River Road Park where it would connect to an asphalt trail in River Road Park that is maintained by the Town of Niskayuna. The asphalt trails in River Road Park are maintained by the Town of Niskayuna and they would ultimately connect to Hempstead Road. Second, the School District would upgrade the current asphalt path that connects Rosendale Elementary School to Iroquois Middle School. The School District plans to assign all 7th and 8th grade students to Iroquois Middle School, and these improved asphalt side-paths will support pedestrian and bike access to Iroquois Middle School and to Rosendale Elementary School.

New York State

2023 priorities.

1. Safety Measures for State Route 7.

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3. Crosswalk on Route 7 and Hickory Road

Provide a crosswalk on Route 7 next to Bellevue Hospital that would connect to Hickory Road which has an existing Bus Stop. This crosswalk should be located along a 1.5 mile stretch of Route 7 between St. David's Lane and Pearse Road where there is no controlled crosswalk for pedestrians or bikers to cross Rt 7. This crosswalk would serve employees and patients of Bellevue Hospital, in particular many people who must use bus service to access the hospital. Currently, Route 7 is a very difficult and dangerous road for pedestrians and bicyclists to cross.

Schenectady County

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2. Crosswalk at Nott Street and Regent Street

The Complete Streets Committee identified this as the best location for school aged children and pedestrians to cross Nott Street. Schools and businesses south of Nott Street are a large draw for pedestrians in the northern neighborhoods. Creating a high visibility crosswalk at this location will increase safety and encourage people to cross Nott Street in a single spot.

3. Side-path and sidewalks on Rosendale Road to Iroquois Middle School and Lishakill Nature Preserve

Currently there is a sidewalk from Mayfair Road to Rosehill Boulevard along Rosendale Road. It is a heavily used critical pedestrian connection for the Rosendale Estates subdivisions to access schools and churches. The Complete Streets Committee has identified the need for an asphalt side path on Rosendale Road that would extend from Rosehill Boulevard to Iroquois Middle School and then on to the entrance of Lishakill Nature Preserve. As part of classroom science instruction, there are classes at Iroquois Middle School that walk over to the Lishakill Nature Preserve that would use this new side-path. There is also a need to complete the concrete sidewalk from Mayfair Drive down to Upper Union Street. Bicyclists and pedestrians should have a sidewalk/side-path that extends from Upper Union Street to the Lishakill Nature Preserve. The addition of this segment of concrete sidewalk and crosswalks will encourage safe pedestrian traffic to the schools and reduce the need for vehicle trips on Rosendale Road.

Town of Niskayuna

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2. Asphalt Trails from Hempstead Road to Rosendale School

Construct asphalt path on Hempstead Road entrance to River Road Park up to the asphalt loop in River Road Park and repave asphalt path from River Road park to the school property line at Rosendale Elementary School (these asphalt links would allow pedestrians and bikers to travel on an asphalt path from Hempstead Road to Rosendale Elementary and Iroquois Middle School). The School District plans to send all 7th and 8th grade students in the school district to Iroquois Middle School starting in Fall of 2026. These connected asphalt paths through River Road Park will be part of a safe access way for students and faculty.

3. Sidewalk on Cornelius Street.

Many elementary school children and families use Cornelius Street when walking to Hillside Elementary School. However, the sidewalk on Cornelius Street currently extends only from Upper Union Street to Ray Street. This requires that people walk in the street between Ray Street and Hillside Elementary in the same roadway where cars and buses are traveling to drop off and pick up children. A concrete sidewalk and curb on the East side of Cornelius between Ray Street and Hillside Elementary or, alternatively, an asphalt side-path on the West side of Cornelius from Ray Street to the elementary school Avenue would make the trip safer for students and families by separating pedestrians from vehicles. Providing a safe sidewalk all the way to Hillside Elementary School will encourage more people to walk to the school rather than drive. This will reduce the traffic congestion and reduce greenhouse gas emissions.

4. Sidewalk on Birchwood Lane from Route 7 to Town Line; and Push Button Crosswalk at entrance to Birchwood Elementary School

There is currently no sidewalk or asphalt side-path on Birchwood Lane making it difficult for pedestrians and bicycles to safely travel to Birchwood Elementary School from nearby neighborhoods. Birchwood is a busy through road and walkers need the extra protection on this route to make it safely to Birchwood Elementary School. Parents in nearby neighborhoods have also complained that motorists entering or leaving the school are not as observant of children walking across Birchwood Lane to reach the entrance to the school or walking across the crosswalk on the roadway entrance to Birchwood Elementary to reach the asphalt walk path from Birchwood Lane down to the school. A concrete sidewalk or asphalt side path on Birchwood Lane will provide a safe walk path to the school. A push button crosswalk on Birchwood Lane at the entrance to the school will make for a safer way to cross this busy road. If it is not already in place, a school crossing guard during early morning and later afternoon hours when students are entering and leaving the school would be helpful.