



**CITY OF MADISON
ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS
VARIANCE APPLICATION**

\$300 Filing Fee

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Address of Subject Property: 2332 West Lawn Avenue, Madison, WI 53711

Name of Owner: Asifa Bano Quraishi-Landes

Address of Owner (if different than above): _____

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Email Address: asifa@me.com

Name of Applicant (Owner's Representative): Asifa Bano Quraishi-Landes (self)

Address of Applicant: same as above

Daytime Phone: same as above Evening Phone: same as above

Email Address: same as above

Description of Requested Variance: I am requesting a variance to the setback requirement on the northeast side of my home in order to build a deck above my tuck-under garage so that the garage can be still accessible by car. The setback requirement is 6 feet, but the pre-existing house and retaining wall - to which the new deck is attached - is about 4.5 - 5 feet from the property line. The garage doors begin less than one foot from the edge of the house, so placing the deck at the 6 foot setback would block access to the garage such that it could no longer be used for car storage. I therefore request a variance to the 6 foot setback requirement on one side of the house.

(See reverse side for more instructions)

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Filing Date: <u>6/28/13</u>	Appeal Number: <u>072513-1</u>
Received By: <u>JLR</u>	GQ: <u>ZBA. Ex. C.U.</u>
Parcel Number: <u>0709-281-0248-6</u>	Code Section(s): <u>25.043(2)</u>
Zoning District: <u>TR-C2</u>	
Alder District: <u>13-Sue Ellingson</u>	

Standards for Variance

The Zoning Board of Appeals shall not grant a variance unless it finds that the applicant has shown the following standards are met:

1. There are conditions unique to the property of the applicant that do not apply generally to other properties in the district.

This property has an unusual tuck-under garage in the back of the house, which makes building a deck off the back of the house according to the standard setback requirements impossible.

The property is also on a slope, which makes comfortable child access to the backyard difficult without a substantial deck.

2. The variance is not contrary to the spirit, purpose, and intent of the regulations in the zoning district and is not contrary to the public interest.

The pre-existing house and retaining wall are already outside the current setback requirement, which means that this deck is not expanding the footprint of the property's structures, and is thus not a substantial infringement on the space next to neighboring properties.

3. For an area (setbacks, etc) variance, compliance with the strict letter of the ordinance would unreasonably prevent use of the property for a permitted purpose or would render compliance with the ordinance unnecessarily burdensome.

Compliance with the letter of the ordinance would render our garage unusable for its intended purpose (car storage), and thus decrease the use and financial value of the home.

4. The alleged difficulty or hardship is created by the terms of the ordinance rather than by a person who has a present interest in the property.

Although I was at fault for beginning to build this deck without a permit (for which I sincerely apologize), the difficulty would be the same, had I not done so. The ordinance's terms make it impossible to build a deck off the largest part of the back of my house without blocking access to the garage.

5. The proposed variance shall not create substantial detriment to adjacent property.

The variance would allow the deck to extend about 6 inches to one foot beyond the location of where it would be without the variance. This difference is not substantial enough to be felt by the occupant of the adjacent property and thus does not create a substantial detriment to her.

6. The proposed variance shall be compatible with the character of the immediate neighborhood.

The deck is very similar to decks in the neighborhood (indeed on both sides of the property) and the location and style is compatible with the character of the neighborhood.


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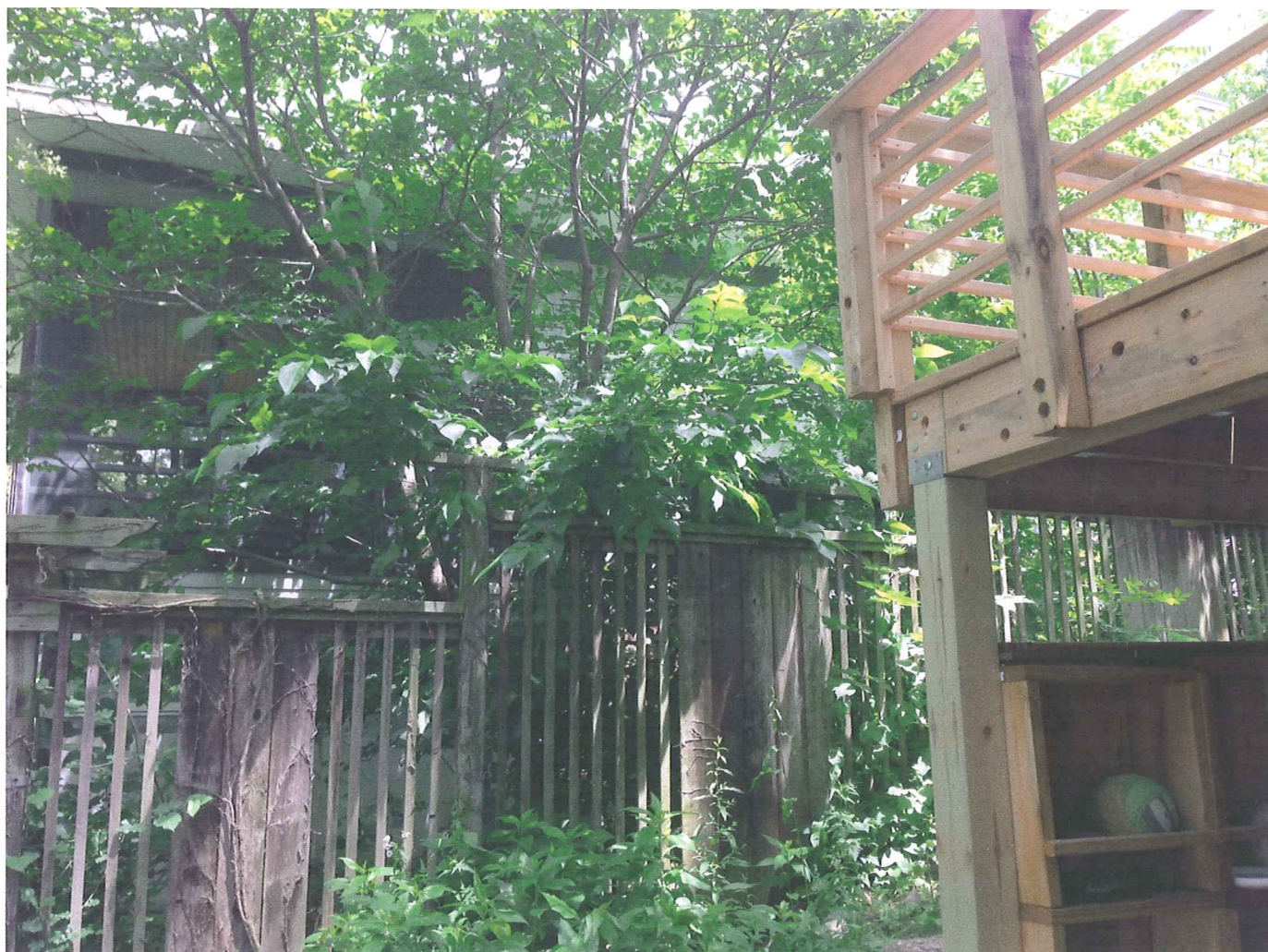


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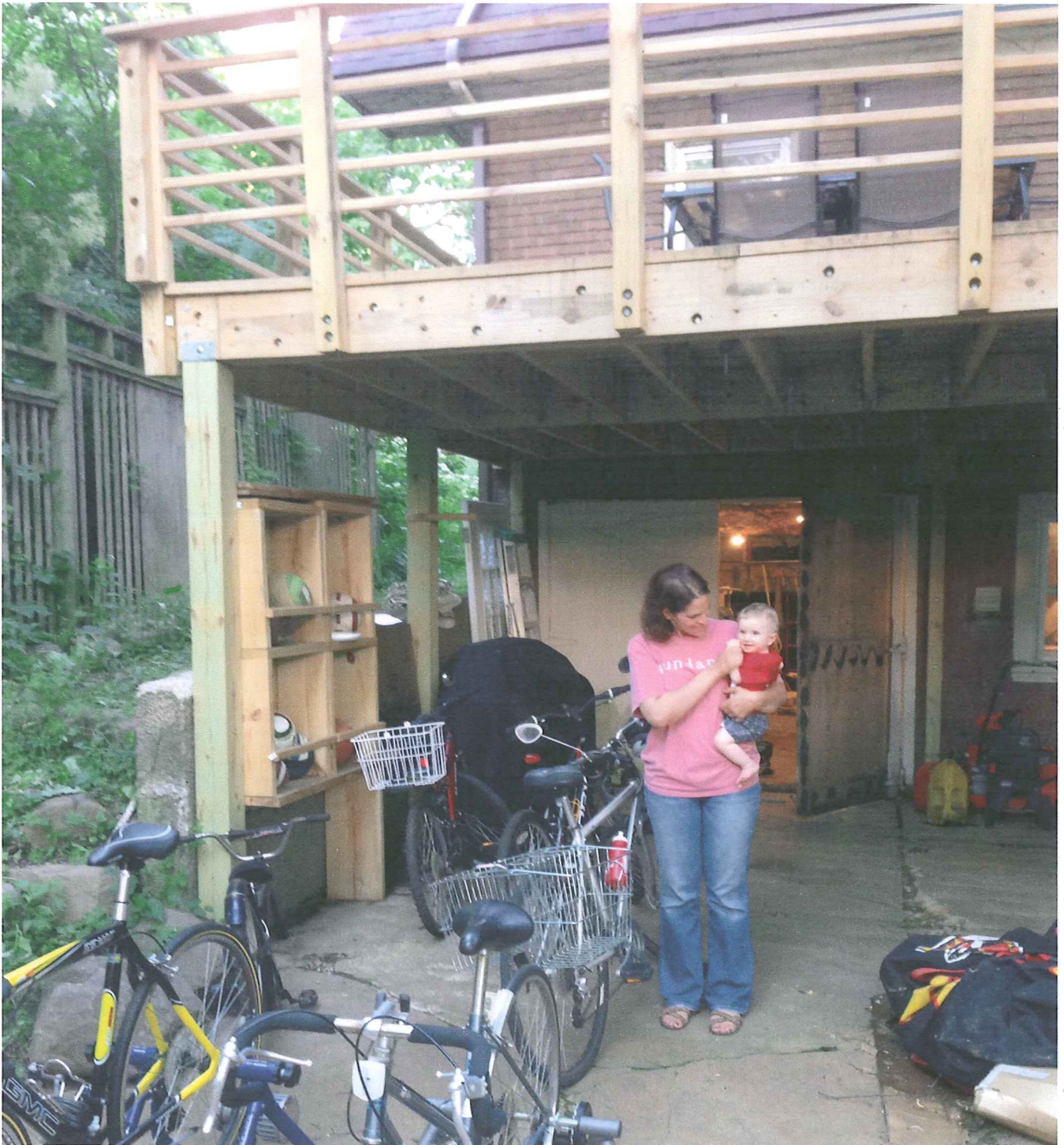


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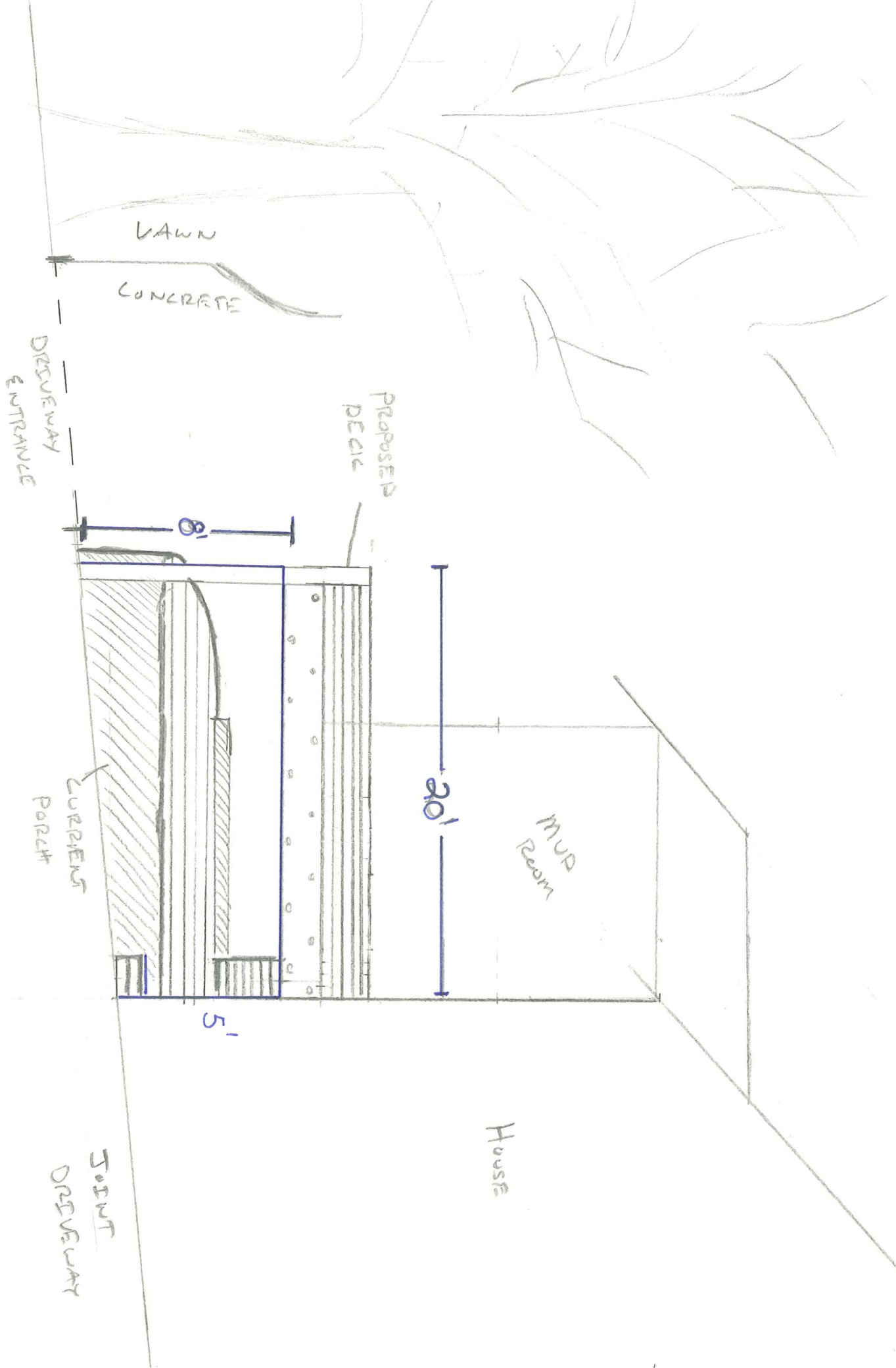
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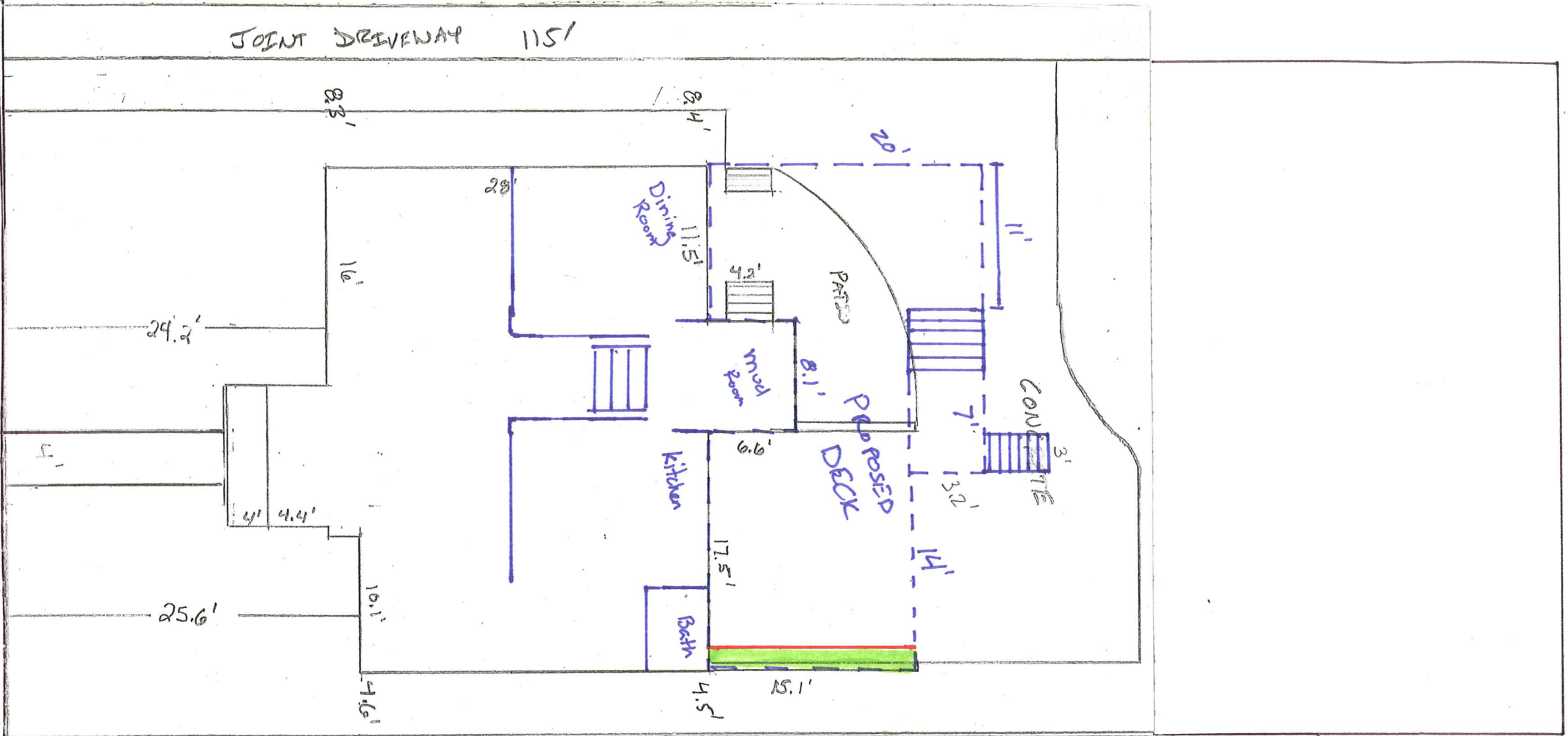
ELEVATION FOR WEST SIDE



2332 WEST LAWN AVE

50'

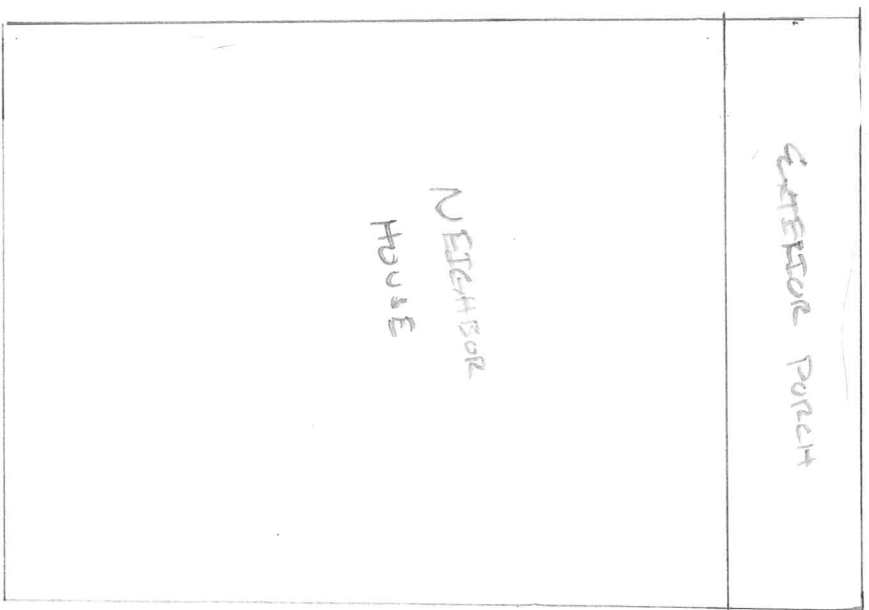
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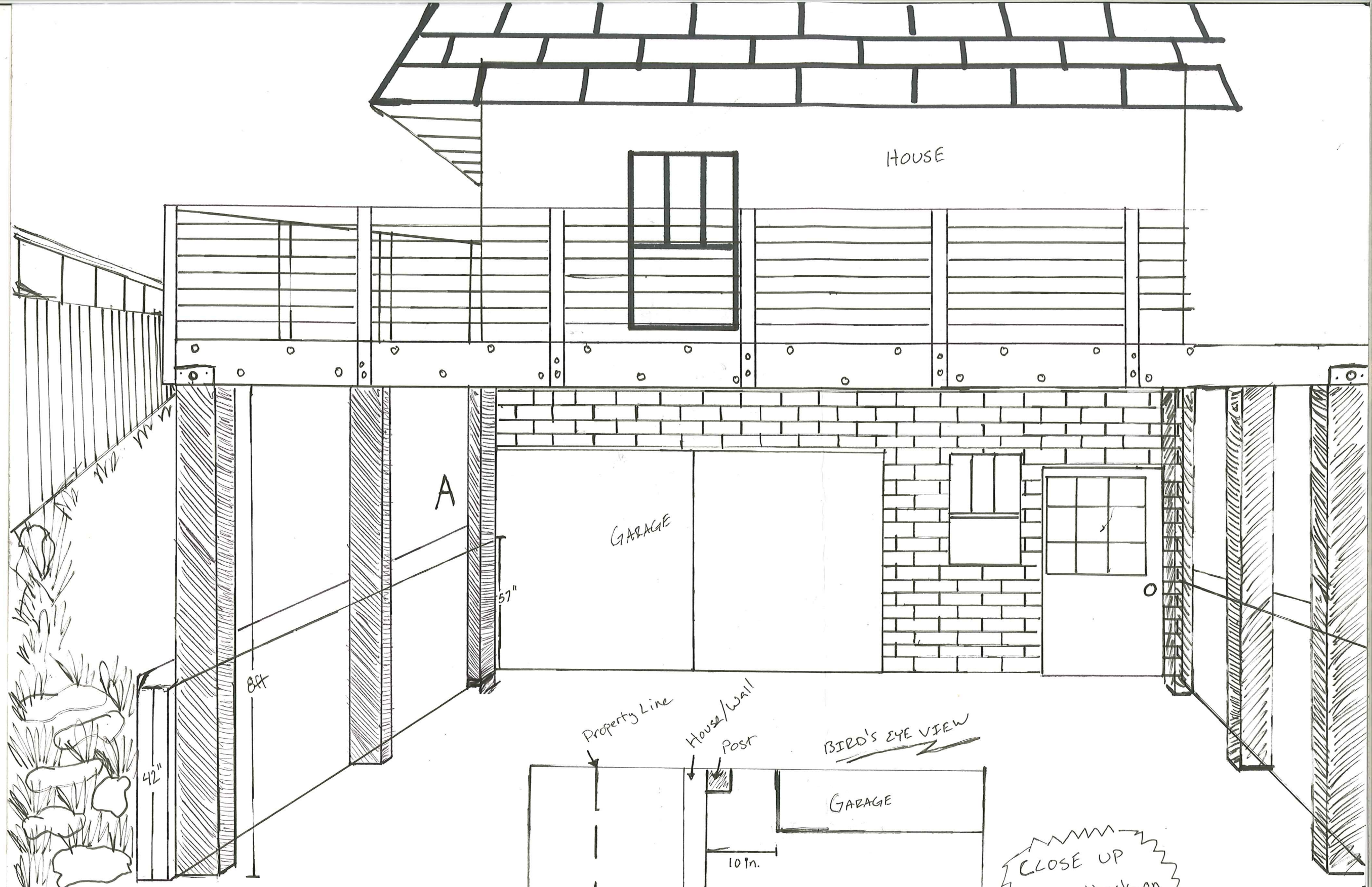
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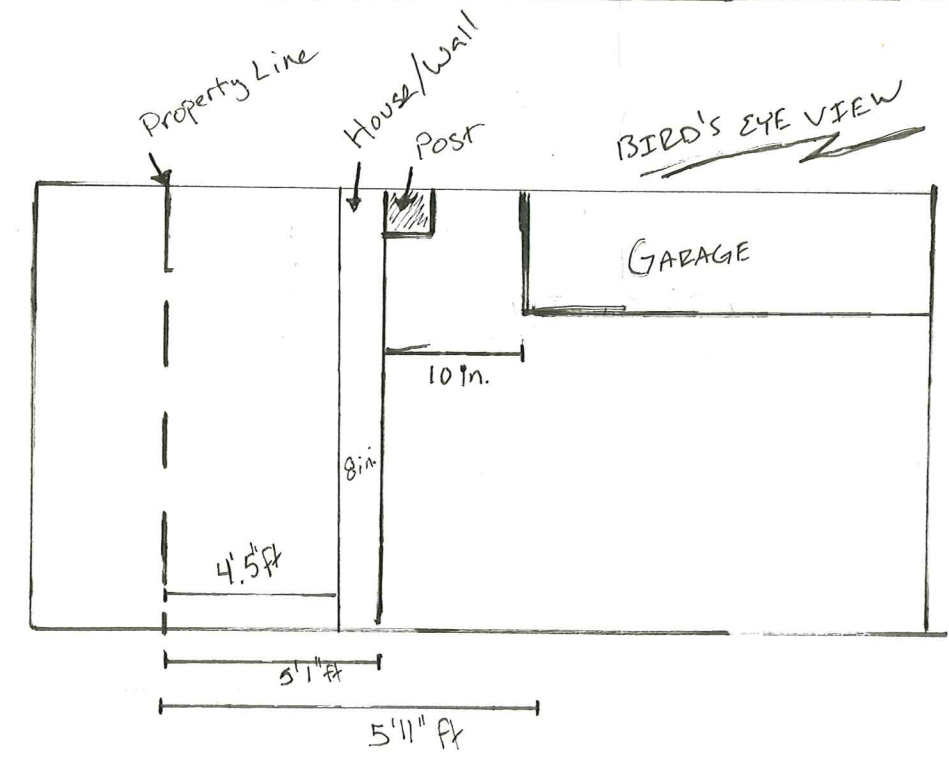
115'



2-5th's Single Family Home
 Elevated Deck addition
 Side Yard
 6.0' Required
 4.5' Provided
 1.5' Variance

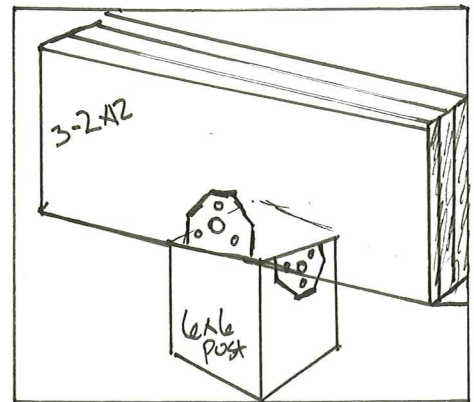


Rear Elevation



CLOSE UP
of Setback on
"A" side

Post-to-Beam Attachment



HOUSE

4x4 post

4ft. 9in. (57")

6x6 post

WALL SPAN 15ft. 1in.

4x4 posts

+36" posts for guardrail

6x6 post

3ft. 6in. (42")

8ft.

East Elevation

