HISTORIC LANDMARK COMMISSION MARCH 25, 2013 NATIONAL REGISTER HISTORIC DISTRICT NRD-2012-0127 Old West Austin 2301 Hartford Road

PROPOSAL

Exterior remodel and additions on a contributing house.

RESEARCH

The existing house was constructed c. 1951 for Joe C. Franzetti and his wife Martha Sunderberg Franzetti. Joe Franzetti is the son of Angelo and Guilitta Franzetti, originally from Italy, who owned the grocery store at 901 E. 6th Street, which is no longer standing. Other members of the Franzetti family owned grocery stores as well; however, Joe Franzetti was in the real estate and insurance business. After his death on February 19, 1995 Martha Franzetti moved to 210 W. 11th Street and she later died on December 26, 1999.

PROJECT SPECIFICATIONS

The existing c. 1951 house is an approximately 3,200 sq. ft., one-story "rambling" ranch with a low-pitched cross-gable roof form. The house is clad in limestone set in a random ashlar pattern, and has numerous steel framed casement-style windows. The house is on a corner lot so three of the elevations are clearly visible from the public right-of-way.

The applicant proposes to make significant revisions to the exterior of the house including changing the roof forms, relocating the main entrance to Watchhill Road, adding stucco cladding, removing all windows and installing new window openings, and constructing twostory additions on both the Hartford and Watchhill Road elevations. Further the application proposes to install a 6' concrete privacy wall surrounding the yard on the Hartford Road side of the property. The style of the revisions is contemporary with multiple shed roofs, and windows of various sizes and shapes.

STANDARDS FOR REVIEW

The existing property is contributing to the Old West Austin National Register Historic District. Applicable general design review guidelines state:

- The distinguishing original qualities or character of a property and its environment shall not be destroyed. Removal or alteration of any historic material or distinctive architectural features should be avoided.
- All properties shall be recognized as products of their own time. Alterations which have no historical basis and which seek to create an earlier appearance shall be discouraged.
- Changes which have taken place in the course of time may have acquired significance in their own right, and shall be recognized and respected.
- Distinctive stylistic features or examples of skilled craftsmanship which characterize a property shall be treated with sensitivity.

- Contemporary design for alterations and additions to existing properties are appropriate when such alterations and additions do not destroy significant historic, architectural, or cultural material and are compatible with the size, scale, color, material, and character of the property, neighborhood, or environment.
- Whenever, possible, new additions or alterations to structures shall be done in such a manner that if such additions or alterations were to be removed in the future, the essential form and integrity of the structure would not be impaired.

The changes proposed do not retain any of the original qualities or characteristics of the house and render it no longer contributing to the National Register Historic District so do not meet the guidelines. Further, the design and form is not compatible with contributing properties in the district in terms of form, patterns, or character.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Recommend that the applicant reconsider the design to maintain the property's contributing status; however release the permit after submittal of a City of Austin Documentation Package consisting of photographs of all elevations, a dimensioned sketch plan, and a narrative history for archiving at the Austin History Center.



Existing front elevation (Hartford Road)



Existing side elevation (Watchhill Road)

OCCUPANCY HISTORY 2301 Hartford Road

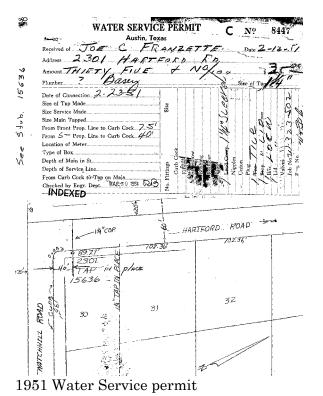
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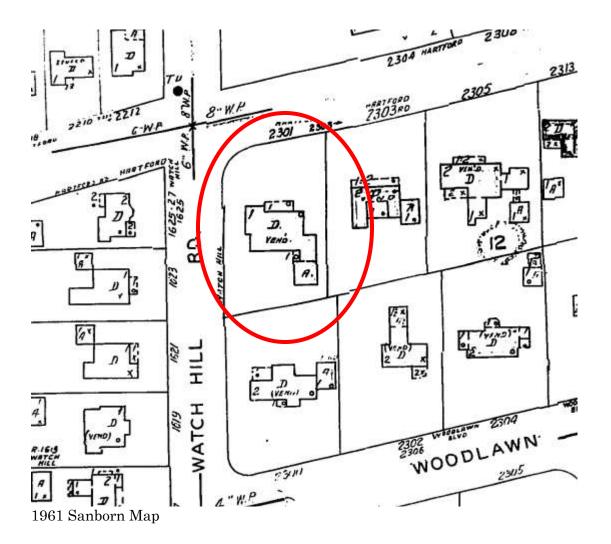
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1997	Joe C. Franzetti listed at 210 W. 11th Street
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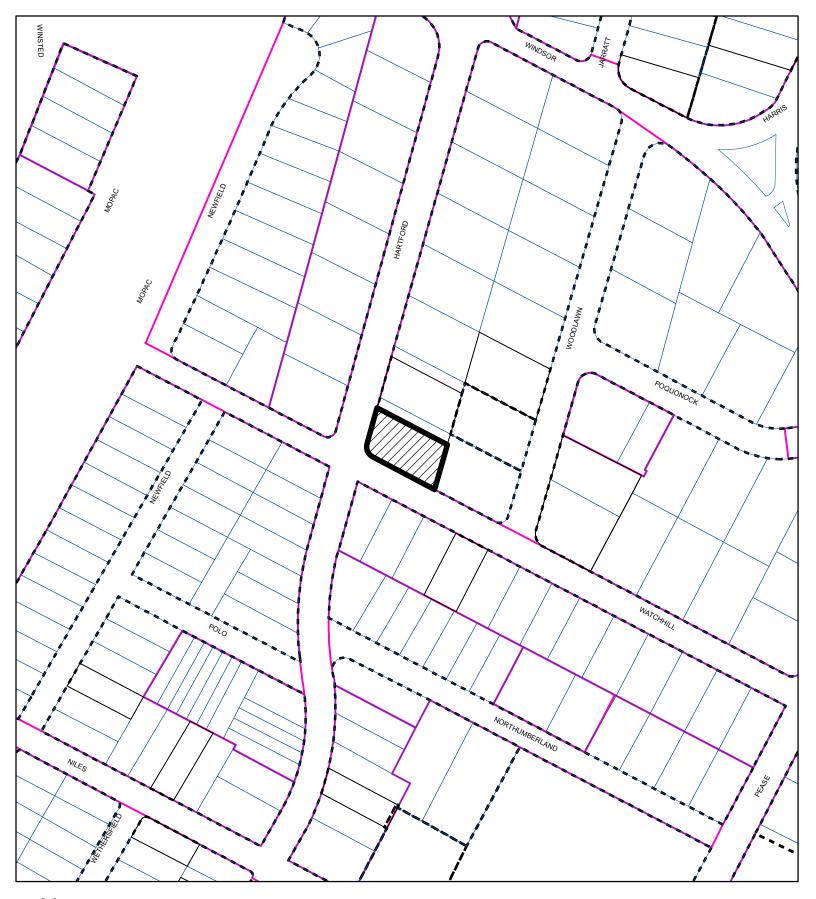
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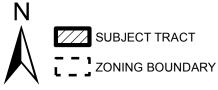
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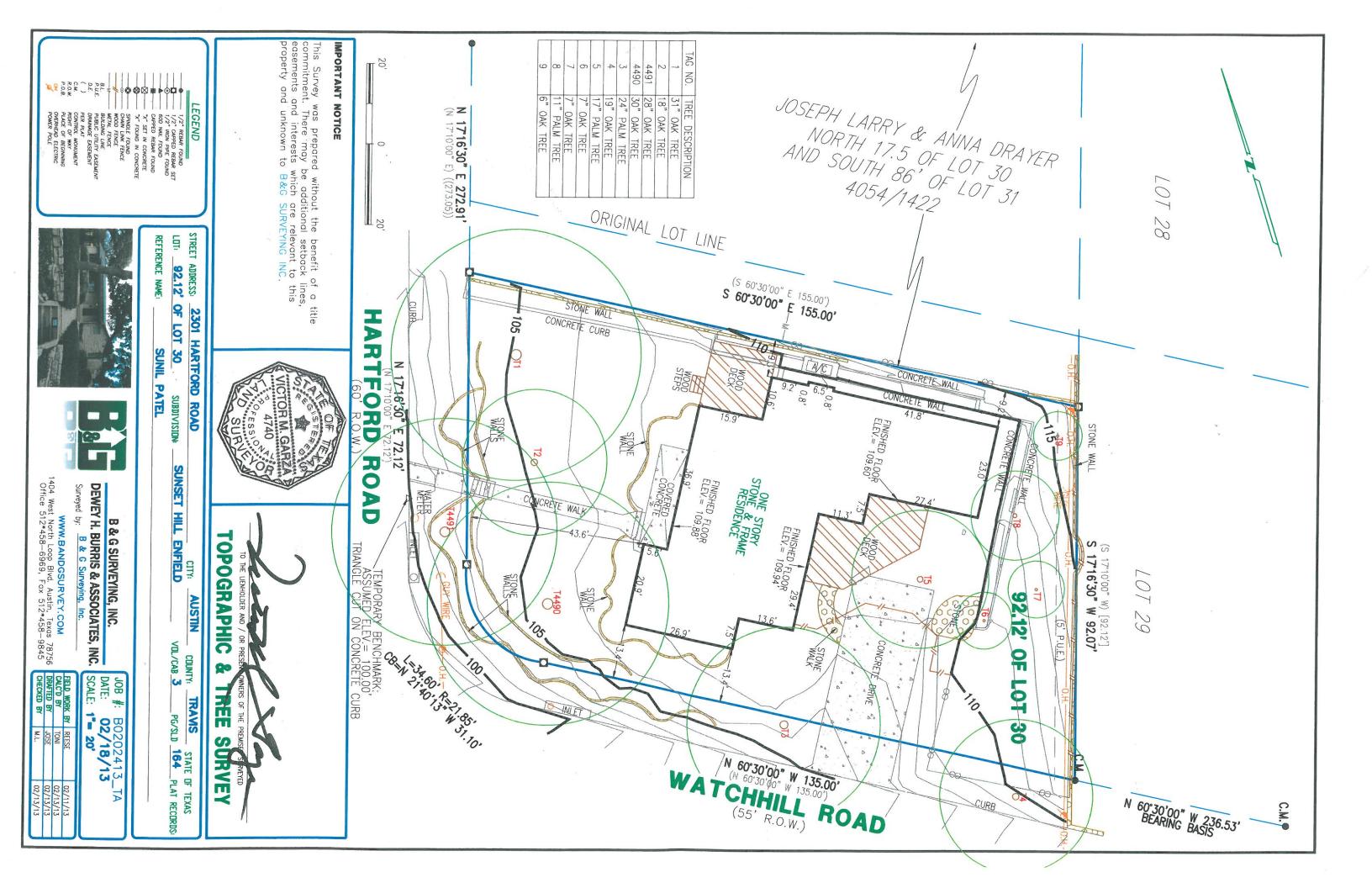


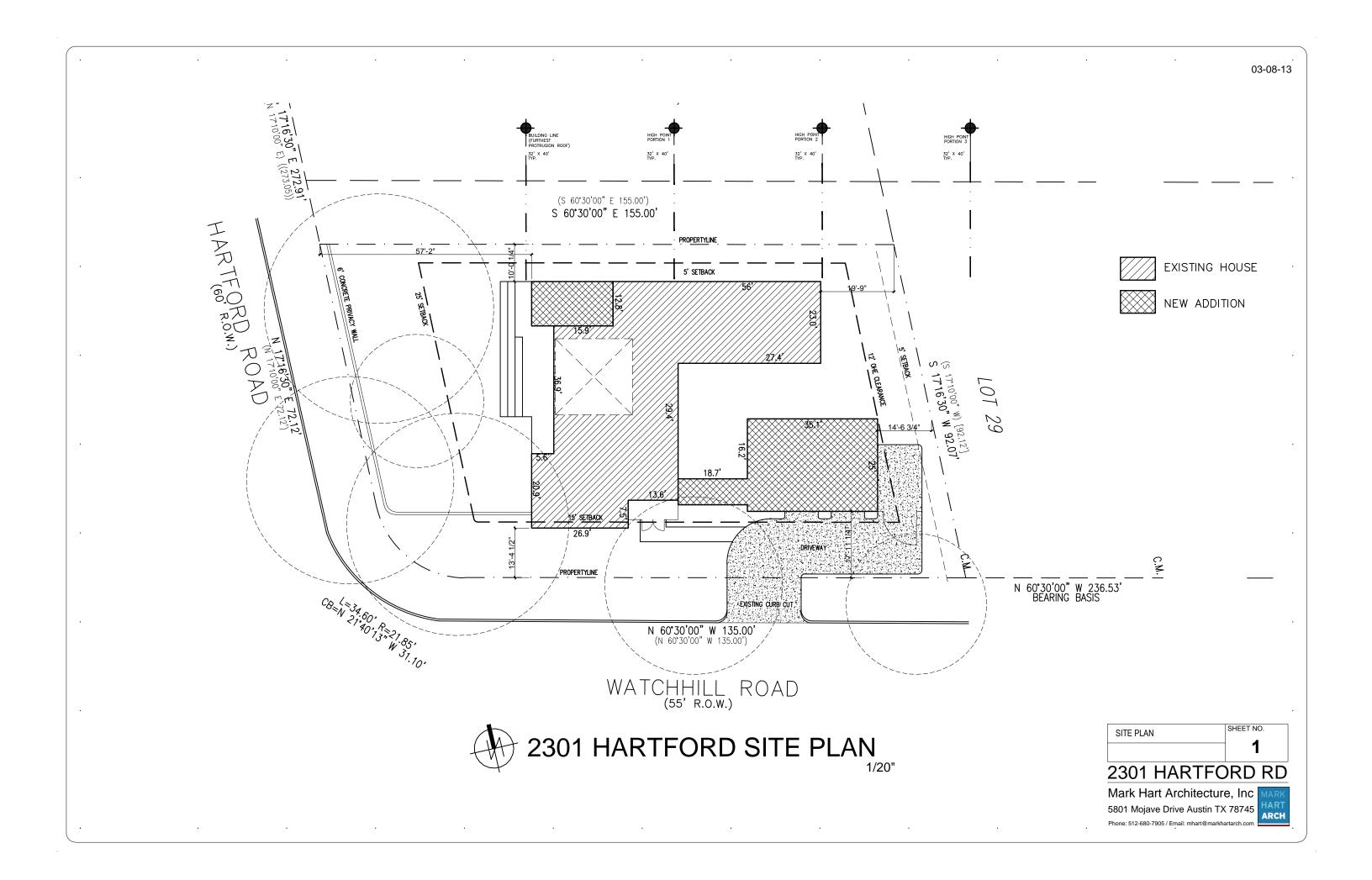
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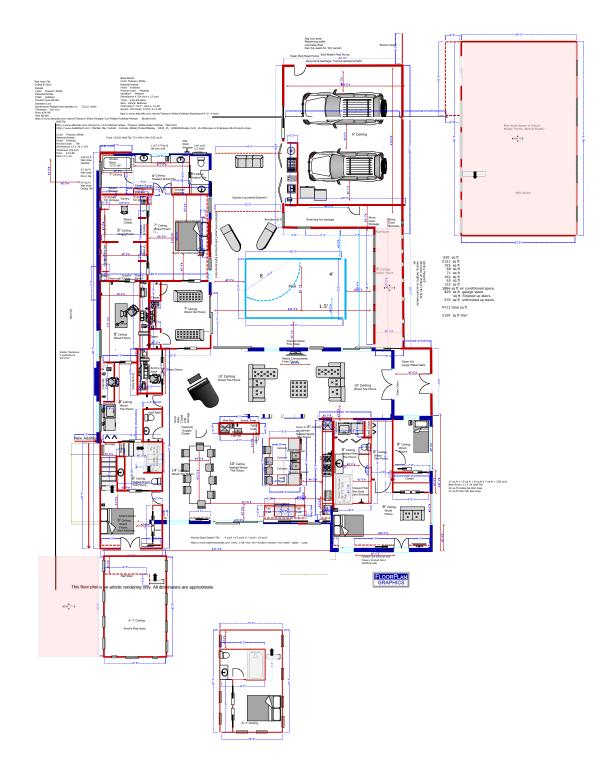


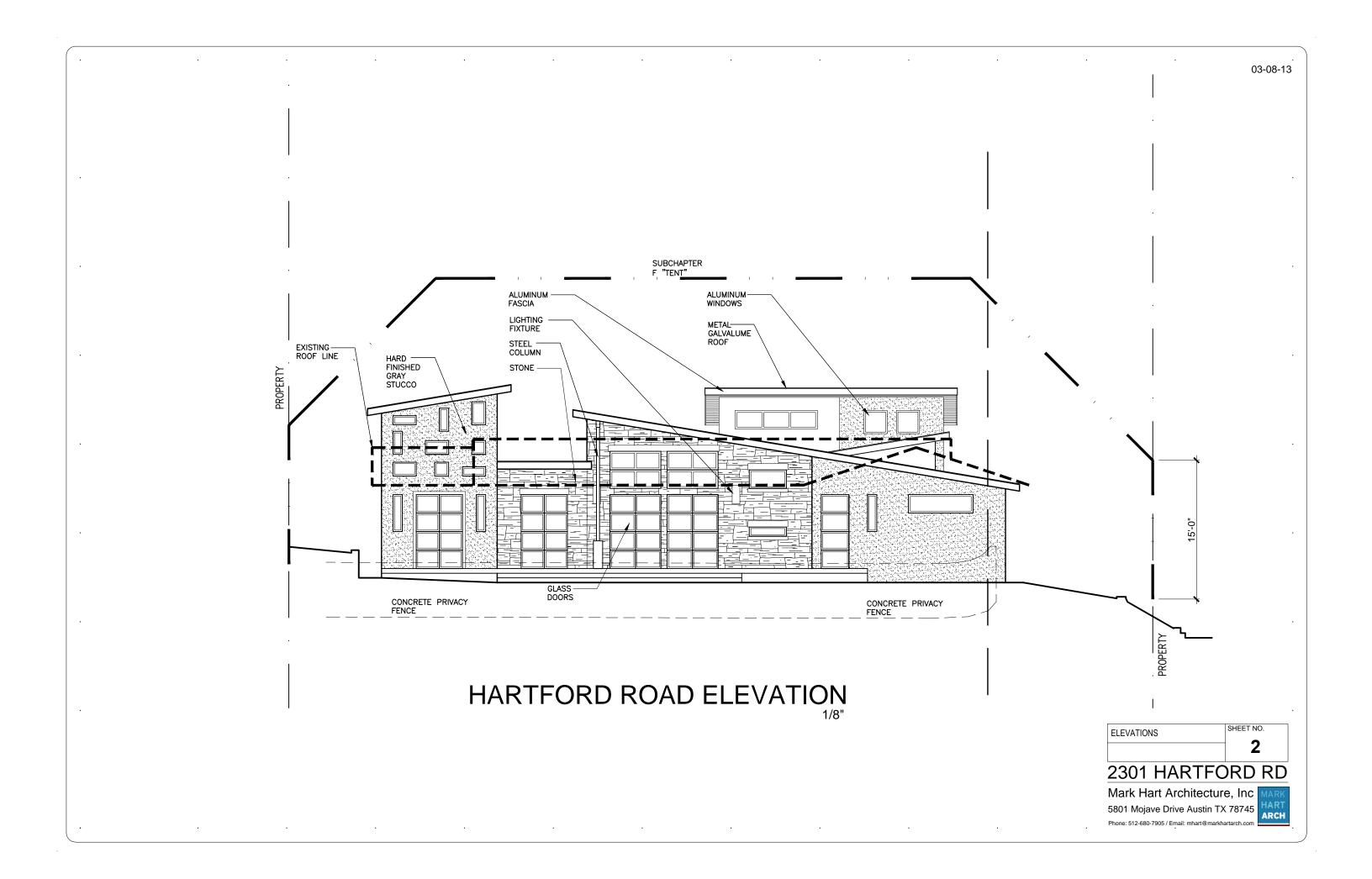
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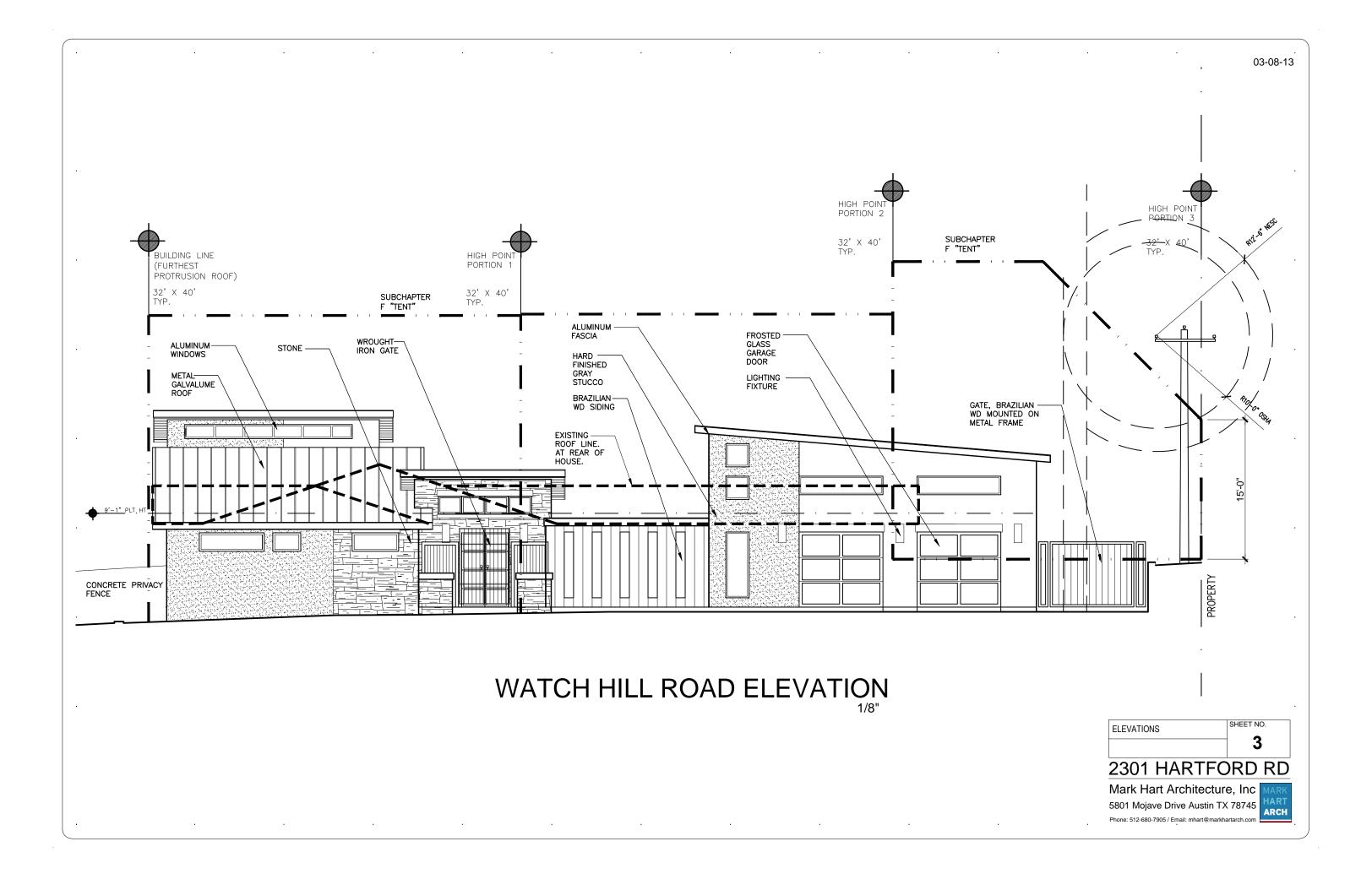
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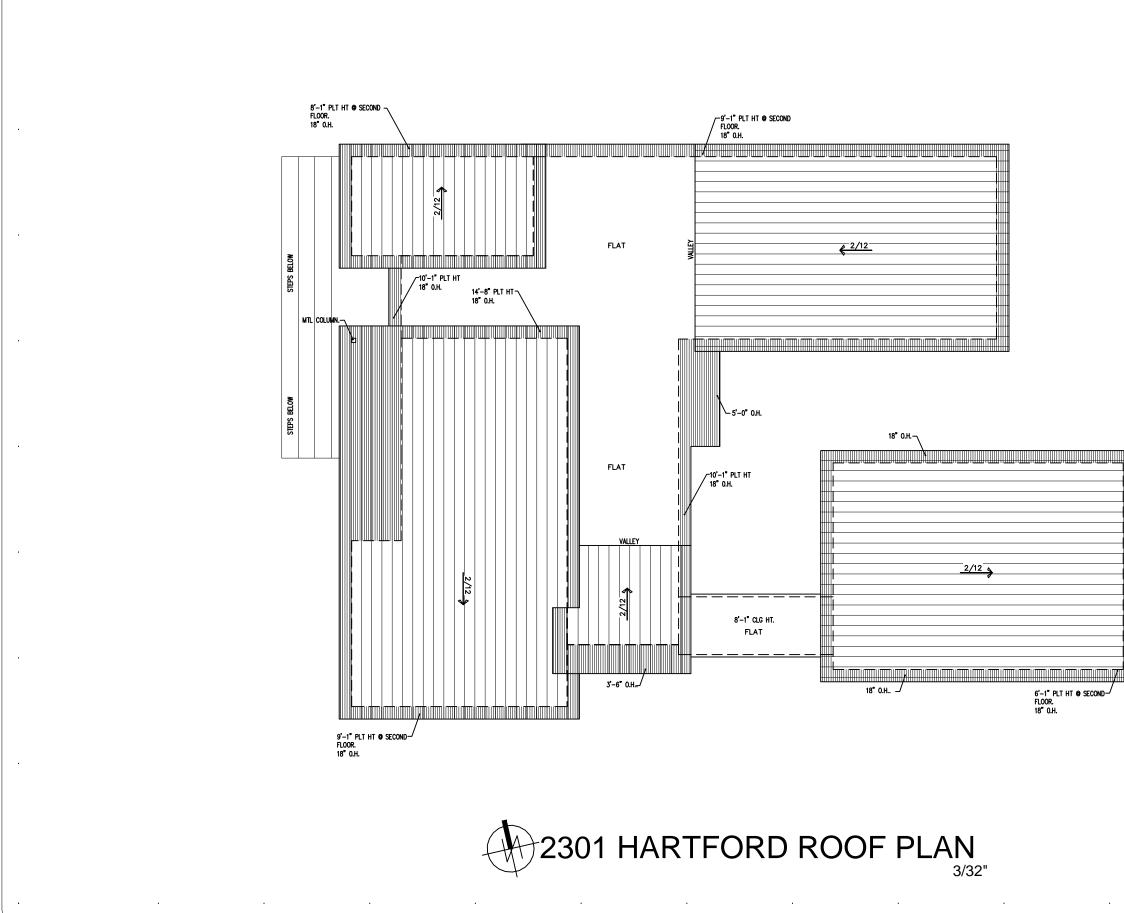












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