



DEPARTMENT OF  
**PLANNING AND  
DEVELOPMENT  
REVIEW**

**Commission of Architectural Review  
Certificate of Appropriateness Application**

900 E. Broad Street, Room 510  
Richmond, VA 23219  
804-646-6569

**Property** (location of work)

Property Address: 810 & 812 N 22nd Street Current Zoning: R-63  
Historic District: Union Hill

Application is submitted for: (check one)

- Alteration  
 Demolition  
 New Construction

**Project Description** (attach additional sheets if needed):

New construction of four single-family attached dwellings fronting N 22nd Street configured as two pairs.

**Applicant/Contact Person:** Will Gillette

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Billing Contact? Yes Applicant Type (owner, architect, etc.): Agent

**Property Owner:** Great Hope Baptist Church

If Business Entity, name and title of authorized signee: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: 2101 Venable Street

City: RICHMOND State: VA Zip Code: 23223

Telephone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Billing Contact?

**\*\*Owner must sign at the bottom of this page\*\***

**Acknowledgement of Responsibility**

**Compliance:** If granted, you agree to comply with all conditions of the certificate of appropriateness (COA). Revisions to approved work require staff review and may require a new application and approval from the Commission of Architectural Review (CAR). Failure to comply with the conditions of the COA may result in project delays or legal action. The COA is valid for one (1) year and may be extended for an additional year, upon written request and payment of associated fee.

**Requirements:** A complete application includes all applicable information requested on checklists available on the CAR website to provide a complete and accurate description of existing and proposed conditions, as well as payments of the application fee. Applications proposing major new construction, including additions, should meet with staff to review the application and requirements prior to submitting. Owner contact information and signature is required. Late or incomplete applications will not be considered.

**Zoning Requirements:** Prior to Commission review, it is the responsibility of the applicant to determine if zoning approval is required. Application materials should be prepared in compliance with zoning.

Property Owner Signature:  Date: 03/01/24



April 25<sup>th</sup>, 2024

City of Richmond Department of Planning and Development Review  
Commission of Architectural Review  
Mr. Alex Dandridge, Secretary  
City Hall, 900 East Broad Street  
Richmond, VA 23219

**RE: Final Review for Certificate of Appropriateness at 810 & 812 N 22<sup>nd</sup> Street**

Members of the Commission,

This memorandum shall serve as the applicant's statement for an application to be reviewed by the Commission of Architectural Review (the "CAR") for the proposed construction of four new single-family attached dwellings, configured as two pairs, on the properties known as 810 and 812 N 22<sup>n</sup> Street (the "Property").

The Property is located on the western line of N 22<sup>nd</sup> Street between Burton and Cedar Streets and lies in Richmond's Union Hill City Old and Historic District. Existing structures in the district are noted as being known for a variety of architectural styles and materials as well as a range of land uses. The Property is currently developed with a paved accessory parking area associated with the Greater Hope Baptist Church who is selling the Property.

The Property owner is proposing to construct four single-family attached dwellings, configured as two pairs, on the Property. The dwellings would front N 22<sup>nd</sup> Street and are three stories in height of an Italianate design with full-width front porches. The Property owner is proposing to construct a total of fifteen, single-family attached dwellings on the Property. This application was initially submitted for conceptual review at the November 2023 CAR meeting

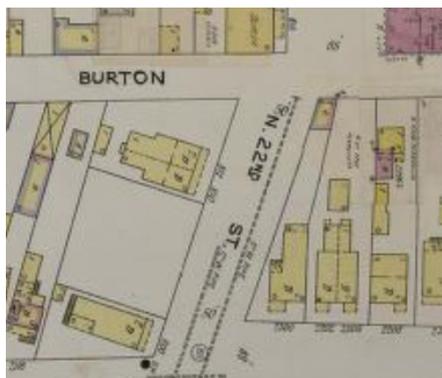
and again for review with more detailed plans at the March 2024 CAR meeting. This project is also subject to an ongoing Special Use Permit (the “SUP”).

Based on comments from Staff and the Commission, discussions with Planning Staff, and meetings and discussions with the 7<sup>th</sup> District Councilwoman, Dr. Cynthia Newbille, the following revisions have been made to the proposed development.

- No third-floor terraces fronting the street are proposed.
- The wrap-around porch on the dwelling at the corner of Burton and N 22<sup>nd</sup> Street was reduced in size.
- The modern Italianate design was replaced with more traditional Italianate features in the cornice.

Each of these dwellings would each contain 3 bedrooms and 2 ½ bathrooms in roughly 1,800 to 2,100 square feet of finished floor area. The dwellings have been designed with a floorplan which offers a living area and kitchen on the first floor. Two bedrooms will be located on the second floor while the third floor would consist of a primary bedroom with walk-in closet and en suite bathroom.

Along with the subject parcel, the property owner has also submitted application for a Certificate of Appropriateness (the “COA”) for the adjacent property to the north across Burton Street at 2111-2119 Venable Street. These two applications represent an appropriate development of the currently vacant parcels that is modern but also respectful to the historic Union Hill neighborhood.



**Siting:**

The Property, along with 2101 to 2119 Venable Street, is one of twelve total parcels currently owned by the Great Hope Baptist Church. Sanborn maps show the parcels were previously occupied with dwellings which were later removed to create the parking lot. The siting of the proposed dwellings is consistent with the historic use of the Property and the development pattern in the area. Current and historic dwellings front in this block front N 22<sup>nd</sup> Street and the dwellings will be set back from the street roughly 11.95’ which recognizes the siting of the existing dwellings in the block along N 22<sup>nd</sup> Street in order to create a unified street wall.



**Form:**

The proposed designs were created to meet the CAR Guidelines underlying zoning requirements and recognize similar designs which have been approved elsewhere in the Union Hill and other City Old and Historic Districts.

Attached dwellings can be found throughout the Union Hill district. The proposed dwellings feature a design which appeals to the current homebuyer along with details which reflect the historic nature of the neighborhood. Each dwelling would include traditional details which can be found in the neighborhood such as transom windows above the front door and front porches with hip roofs. The proposed dwellings are not only consistent with the Union Hill neighborhood which is noted as being distinct for its “wide variety of architectural styles”

within the Old and Historic District guidelines but is also consistent with the new Richmond 300 Master Plan which recommends the city “allow and encourage a variety of architectural styles.”

#### **Scale:**

The proposed construction of the new dwelling is consistent with the scale and character of the proposed site layout and existing neighborhood and will appear appropriate from street level. Dwellings in the area are of a range of heights with three story dwellings located in the subject block at 2117, 2119, and 2121 Cedar Street and abutting the Property at 2116 Cedar Street. A three-story dwelling was also approved in 2021 nearby at 803 Jessamine Street.

#### **Height, Width, Proportion, & Massing**

Dwellings in the area are of a range of heights with historic three-story dwellings located nearby at 2117, 2119, and 2121 Cedar Street as well as the dwelling on the abutting parcel at 2116 Cedar which is a recreation of the previous historic home on the lot. The CAR Handbook also lists 2000 Princess Anne Avenue as one of two residential dwellings under “Prominent Structures by District” in Union Hill, which measures 36’ 5” from the sidewalk to the roof peak<sup>1</sup>. Also listed as a Prominent Structure in the neighborhood is Christ Episcopal Church, adjacent the Property at 2120 Venable Street which measures 34’ 8” to the roof peak from the sidewalk along Venable and over 42’ from the sidewalk along N 22<sup>nd</sup> Street. Furthermore, the adjacent existing Great Hope Church is 37’ 9” from grade to the top of the three-story addition along Burton Street and over 40’ in height to the roof peak of the sanctuary. Therefore, what is proposed here is consistent with the height of buildings in the block, on abutting parcels, in the adjacent blocks, existing historic dwellings, previously approved dwellings, and residences specifically described as prominent structures in the CAR Handbook. The proposed design is also consistent with the proportion and massing of nearby historic dwellings and is in fact less monolithic than other nearby historic blocks like the 2300 block of Venable which contains 11 consecutive attached dwellings fronting Venable and 8 fronting Burton Street.

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<sup>1</sup> Measured 4/16/2024 utilizing a Bosch Blaze GLM400C Laser with accuracy +/- 1/16 inch

## **Exterior Cladding/Doors and Windows/Materials**

Exterior cladding, doors and windows, foundation, and roofing are as noted on the attached plans. Cementitious siding was chosen for its durability and desirable aesthetics. A standing seam metal porch roof provides low maintenance, weather resistance, and compatibility with other. These items were selected to be consistent with CAR requirements and other dwellings within the Union Hill Old and Historic District. A finish schedule including doors and windows is provided for the proposed dwellings.

The proposed design is compatible with the historical fabric of the block as it recognizes the siting, scale, form, and massing of the contributing structures on the block. As noted by the *CAR's Handbook and Design Review Guidelines*, the Union Hill City Old and Historic District is characterized by a wide variety of architectural styles. The proposed dwellings provide modern architectural style offering new and desirable housing opportunities within the area while remaining consistent with the fabric of the historic district. Furthermore, many of the design elements of the proposed dwellings can be found on historically significant dwellings throughout the Union Hill district. The proposed single-family attached dwellings address the unique considerations of the lot size, shape, and underlying zoning while also acknowledging the historical characteristics of the Union Hill Neighborhood.

We thank you for the care and assistance in reviewing our application. Should you have any questions after reviewing this request, please feel free to contact me at [will@bakerdevelopmentresources.com](mailto:will@bakerdevelopmentresources.com) or (864) 377-9140.

Sincerely,



William Gillette, AICP

Baker Development Resources, LLC



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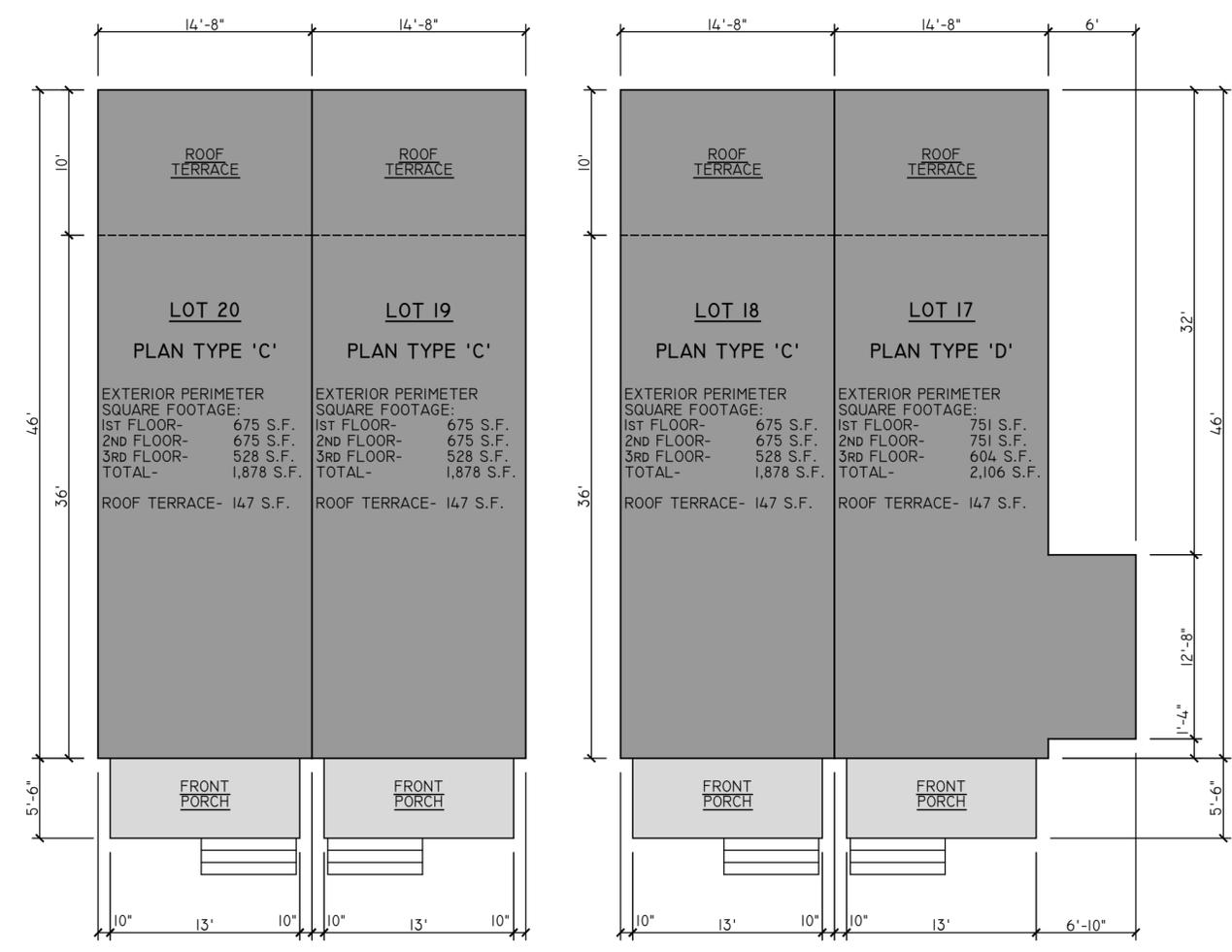


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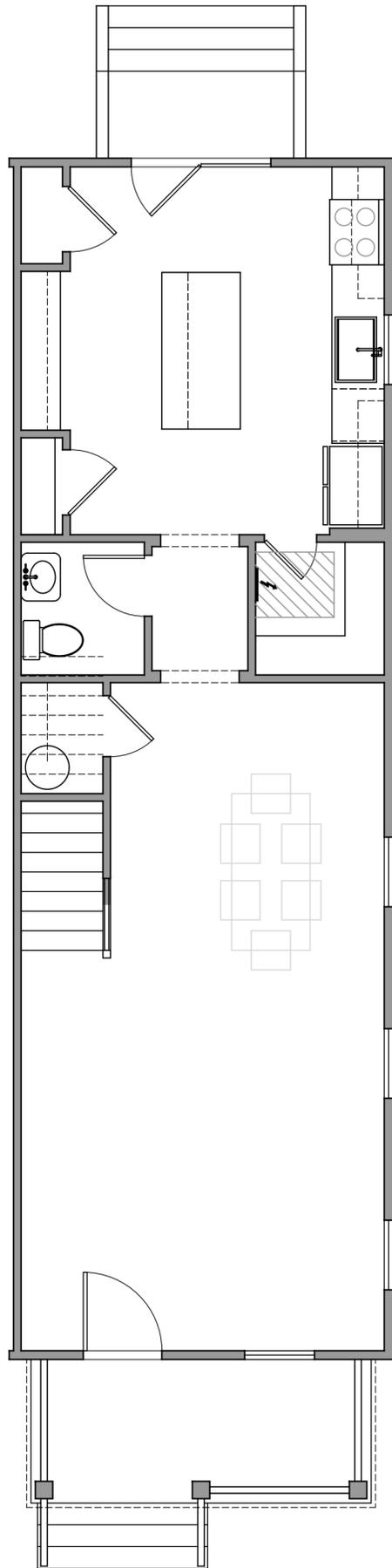
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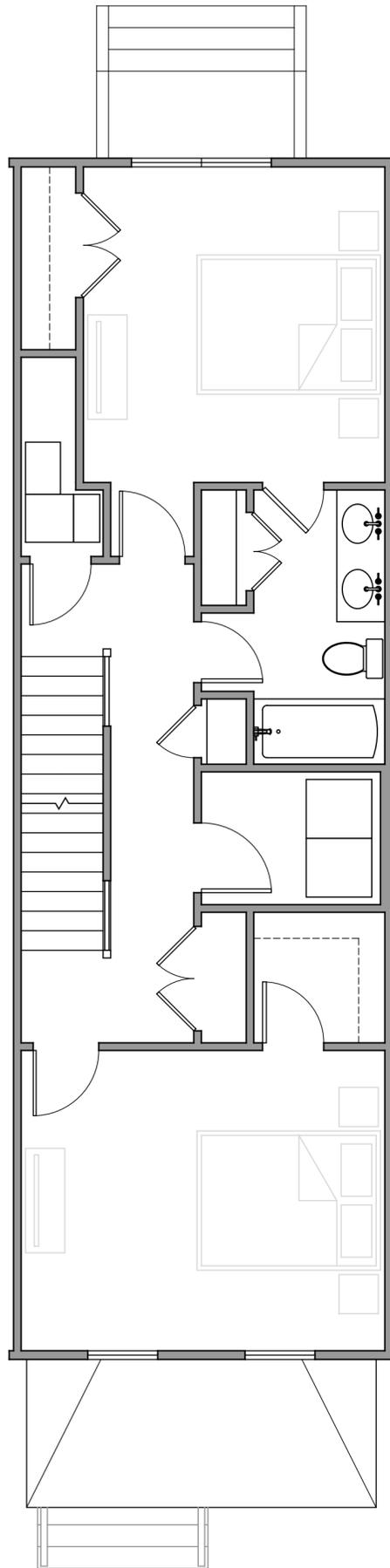
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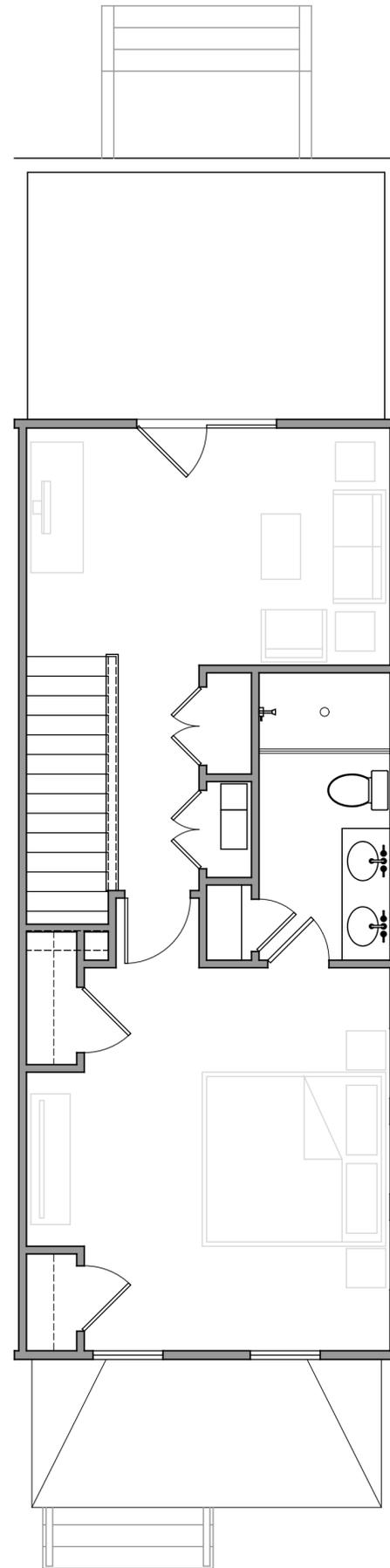
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1/4" = 1'



02 | SECOND FLOOR PLAN  
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03 | THIRD FLOOR PLAN  
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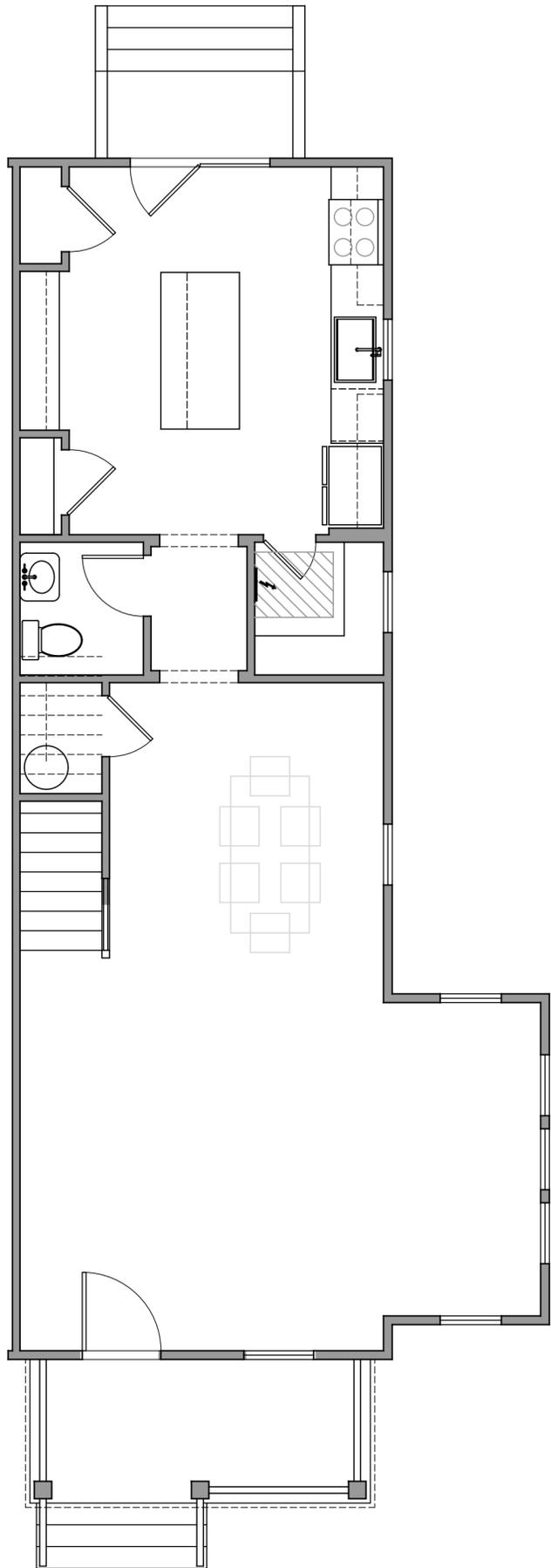
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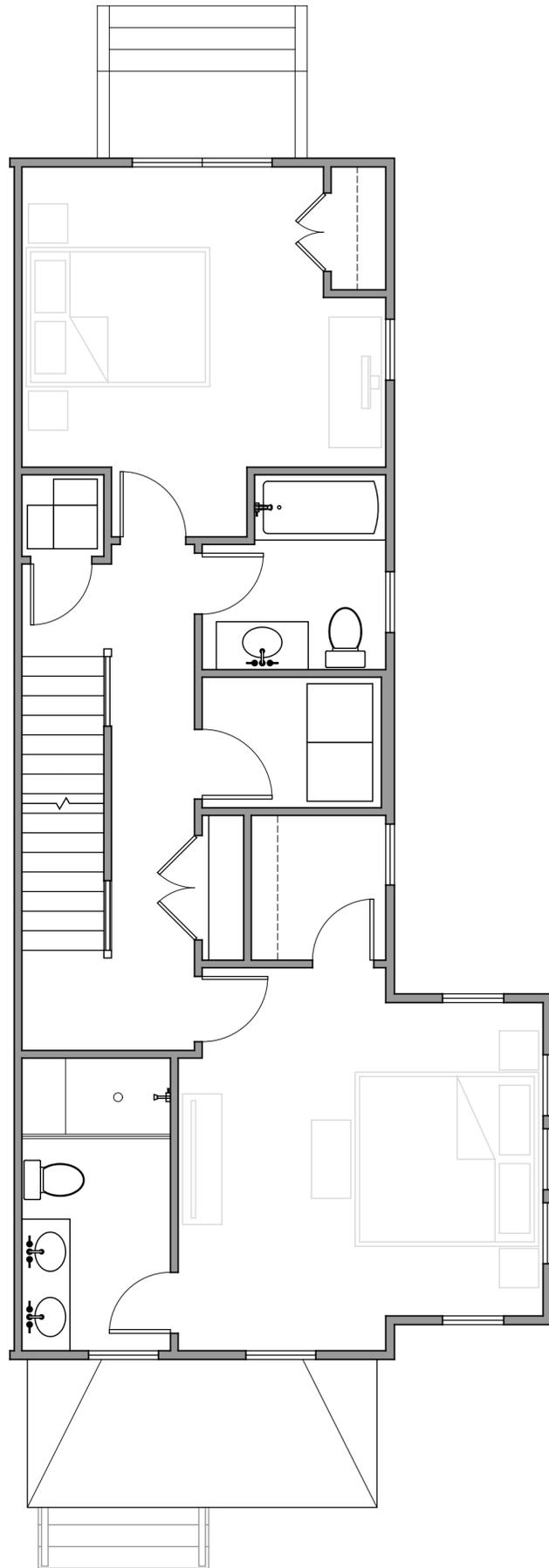
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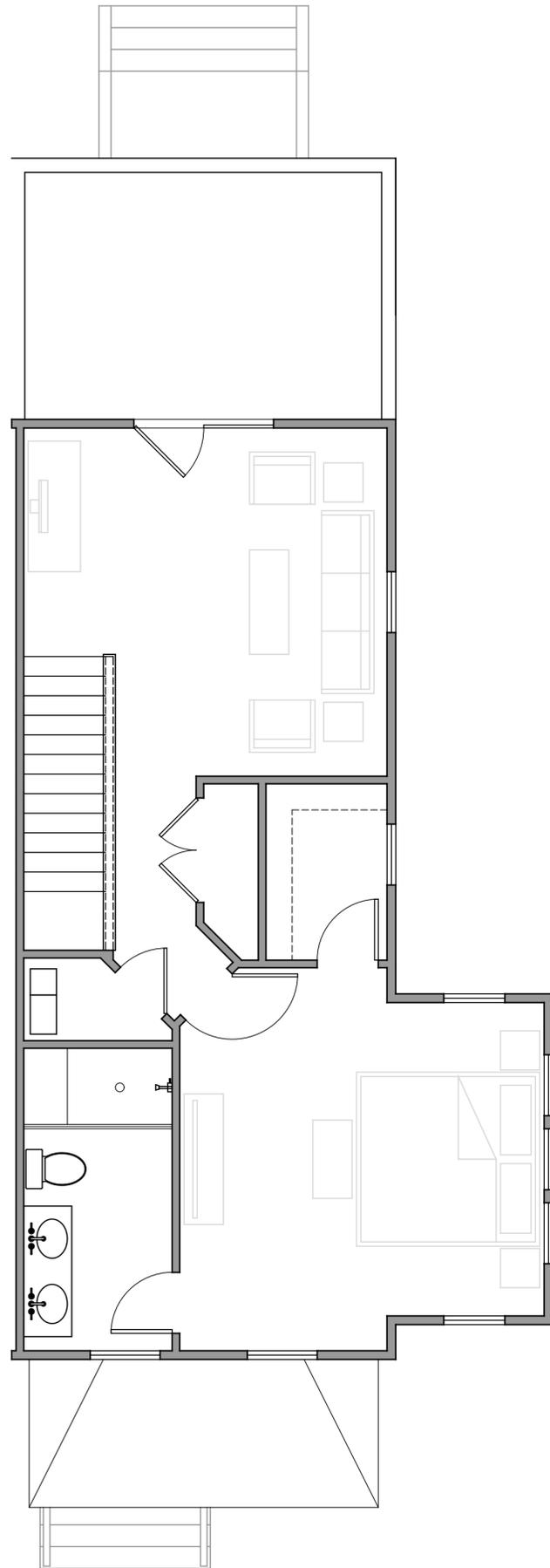
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TYPE 'D' FLOOR PLANS  
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**EXTERIOR FINISH SCHEDULE**

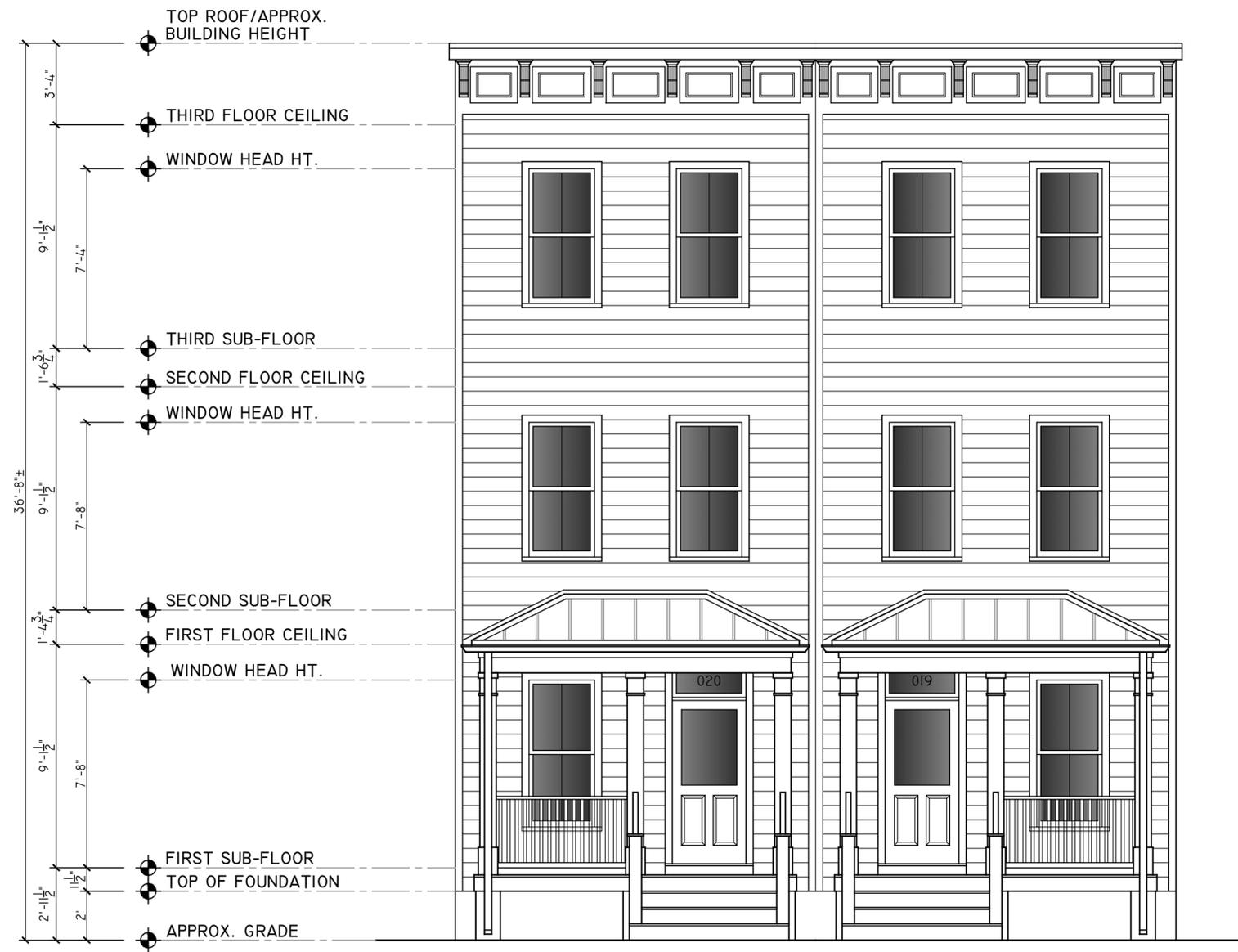
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04	COMPOSITE/HARDIE TRIM	PAINTED ARCTIC WHITE
05	COMPOSITE/HARDIE SOFFITS	PAINTED ARCTIC WHITE
06	WOOD DOORS	PAINTED   COLOR T.B.D.
07	C.A.R.-COMPLIANT WINDOWS (S.D.L. ALUM-CLAD WOOD)	PREFINISHED
08	ITALIANATE CORNICE & BRACKETS	PAINTED ARCTIC WHITE
09	MAIN ROOF - TPO	FACTORY WHITE
10	FRONT PORCH ROOF - 16" STANDING SEAM METAL	FACTORY WHITE
11	ALUMINUM GUTTER & DOWNSPOUTS	PREFINISHED WHITE
12	FRONT PORCH RAILINGS - WOOD 'RICHMOND RAIL'	PAINTED ARCTIC WHITE
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UNITS 19-20  
FRONT ELEVATION

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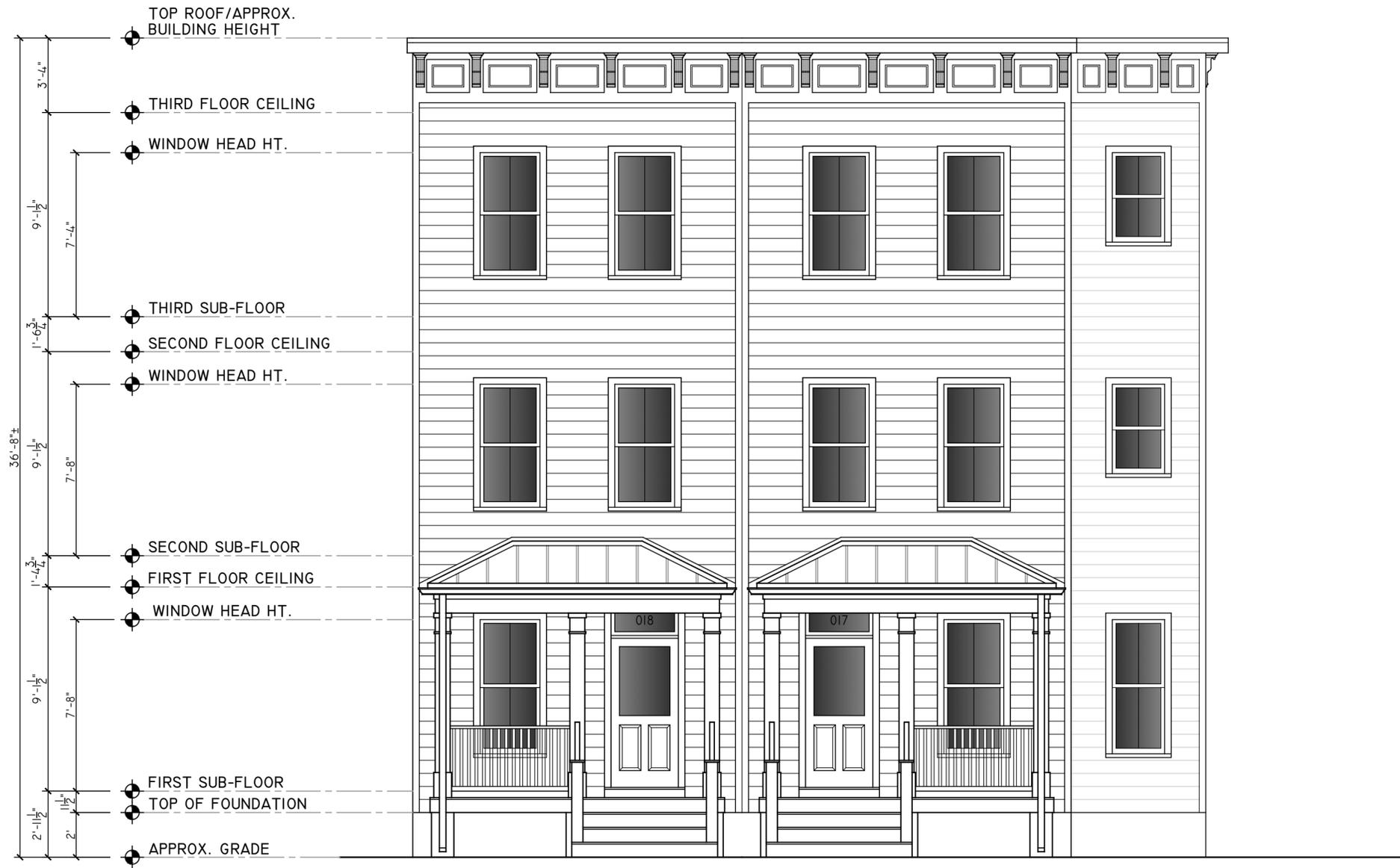
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REAR & SIDE ELEV.

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UNITS 17-18  
FRONT ELEVATION

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UNITS 17-18 RIGHT  
SIDE (BURTON ST.) ELEV.

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UNITS 17-18 REAR  
& LEFT SIDE ELEVS.

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