

Application for **SPECIAL USE PERMIT**

Department of Planning and Development Review
Land Use Administration Division
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Application is hereby submitted for: (check one) ☐ special use permit, new ☐ special use permit, plan amendment ☐ special use permit, text only amendment **Project Name/Location** Property Address: Tax Map #: Fee: Total area of affected site in acres: (See page 6 for fee schedule, please make check payable to the "City of Richmond") Zoning Current Zoning:_____ Existing Use: **Proposed Use** (Please include a detailed description of the proposed use in the required applicant's report) Existing Use: Is this property subject to any previous land use cases? Yes If **Yes**, please list the Ordinance Number: Applicant/Contact Person: Company: Mailing Address: Email: If Business Entity, name and title of authorized signee: _____ (The person or persons executing or attesting the execution of this Application on behalf of the Company certifies that he or she has or have been duly authorized and empowered to so execute or attest.) Mailing Address:
 City:
 ______ Zip Code:

 Telephone:
 ______ Fax:

The names, addresses, telephone numbers and signatures of all owners of the property are required. Please attach additional sheets as needed. If a legal representative signs for a property owner, please attach an executed power of attorney. **Faxed or photocopied signatures will not be accepted.**

NOTE: Please attach the required plans, checklist, and a check for the application fee (see Filing Procedures for special use permits)

APPLICANT'S REPORT

September 28th, 2022

Special Use Permit 3207 Hermitage Road, Richmond, Virginia Map Reference Number: N000-1311/017

Submitted to: City of Richmond

Department of Planning and Development Review

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Introduction

The property owner is requesting a special use permit amendment (the "SUPA") for 3207 Hermitage Road (the "Property"). The SUPA would authorize the expansion and occupancy of the building as an office and contractor's shop. While the existing office on the Property, which was authorized by the current SUP, will be retained and continue to be the primary utilization of the Property, the applicant is proposing to construct a warehouse addition to the existing structure. As this represents a substantial change from the approved SUP, the SUPA is required.

Existing Conditions

SITE DESCRIPTION AND EXISTING LAND USE

The Property is located on the eastern line of Hermitage Road between Brookland Parkway and Wentbridge Road and is referenced by the City Assessor as N000-1311/017. The property is 240 feet in width and 395 feet deep and contains approximately 27,317 square feet of area. Access is provided along Hermitage Road and by two alleys located along the western and southern edges of the parcel.



This area is characterized by a range of uses with single family residential uses to the east of Hermitage Road and commercial uses of varying scales and intensities to the west of Hermitage Road, including a hotel immediately across Hermitage Road from the Property.

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EXISTING ZONING

The Property is zoned RO-1 Residential Office District. The surrounding properties to the north, east, and west are zoned R-3 Single-Family Residential. Properties immediately to the east are zoned RO-3 Residential Office District and B-2 Community Business District. Beyond that, to the southwest properties are zoned TOD-1 Transit-Oriented Nodal District and to the northwest are properties zoned M-1 Light Industrial.

MASTER PLAN DESIGNATION

The Richmond 300 Master Plan (the "Master Plan") suggests "Residential" for the Property.

The Property is also located within the "Greater Scott's Addition National/Regional Node." The Richmond 300 plan describes nodes generally as "places in Richmond where people and jobs are today and continue to grow into the future. Nodes are the places of convergence of many uses and include offices, shopping, housing, and/or public gathering places as well as access to multiple modes of transportation." National/Regional nodes, like Greater Scott's Addition, are further described as "a center with significant cultural, entertainment, government, and business destinations as well as shopping, housing, and unique place-based attractions"

In addition to the Property-specific guidance offered by the Vision and Core Concepts chapter, there are a number of other goals elsewhere within the Master Plan that support this request:

- Page 100 (High Quality Places Chapter), Objective 4.1 "Create and preserve high-quality, distinctive, and well-designed neighborhoods and Nodes throughout the city"
 - o f. Ensure that building materials are durable, sustainable, and create a lasting addition to the built environment
- Page 109 (Equitable Transportation Chapter), Objective 6.1 "Increase the number of residents and jobs at Nodes and along enhanced transit corridors"
 - o c. Support the retention, creation, and attraction of businesses in and near Nodes and major corridors

Proposal

PROJECT SUMMARY

The proposed occupancy of the building as an office and contractor's shop includes the utilization of the existing office structure on the Property as well as the construction of a new, one-story addition to the existing structure which will be utilized as additional office space and a warehouse.

PURPOSE OF REQUEST

The SUPA would permit the conversion of the existing structure from a doctor's office to an office and contractors' shop. This includes the construction of a roughly 2,675 square foot addition on the eastern side of the existing structure. The existing doctor's office use was authorized by a previous SUP (60-227-197) and special use permit amendment in 1960. This request would permit the utilization of the existing structure while also allowing for the construction of additional office and warehouse space. While the Property abuts parcels which are zoned to allow the proposed contractors' shop use (B-2) and other properties in the vicinity along Hermitage Road and Arthur

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Ashe Boulevard are also zoned to permit the proposed use (M-1, B-7), the underlying zoning here does not allow for the use and therefore, the SUPA is required.

PROJECT SUMMARY

The proposed design would include the approximately 4,263 square foot office building along with a new single-story addition which would be roughly 2,675 square feet. The proposed addition would be a triangular shape to fit the lot and would be clad in cementitious siding. The addition would include roughly 400 square feet of office space, three parking and loading bays, and warehouse storage. The three bays would face south and open onto an approximately 20-foot concrete apron which would allow access from the adjacent alley. Additionally, the enclosed yard at the rear of the Property would be used for outdoor storage. In order to provide additional screening from nearby residential properties an eight-foot privacy fence is proposed for the Property.

Findings of Fact

The following are factors indicted in Section 17.11 of the Charter and Section 30-1050.1 of the Zoning Ordinance relative to the approval of special use permits by City Council. The proposed special use permit will not:

• Be detrimental to the safety, health, morals and general welfare of the community involved.

The proposed special use permit amendment will not impact the safety, health, morals and general welfare of the nearby neighborhoods. The proposed development would offer needed services to the community and a safe, convenient and economically viable pedestrian environment, thereby providing positive impacts in terms of safety, welfare, etc.

• Tend to create congestion in streets, roads, alleys and other public ways and places in the area involved.

The proposed special use permit amendment will not result in significant traffic impacts to nearby residential neighborhoods.

• Create hazards from fire, panic or other dangers.

The Property will be developed in a manner consistent with the requirements of the building code and in accordance with the requirements of Fire and Emergency Services. The City's codes applicable to this development are designed to eliminate such hazards.

• Tend to overcrowding of land and cause an undue concentration of population.

The proposed special use permit amendment will not tend to overcrowd the land or create an undue concentration of population.

• Adversely affect or interfere with public or private schools, parks, playgrounds, water supplies, sewage disposal, transportation or other public requirements, conveniences and improvements.

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The special use permit amendment would not adversely affect the above referenced City services. To the contrary, the proposal would provide positive fiscal (tax) benefits that would enhance the City's ability to provide these services to the proposed development.

• Interfere with adequate light and air.

The light and air available to adjacent properties will not be affected.

Summary

In summary, the applicant is proposing to construct a new addition in order to adaptively re-utilize the existing structure as an office and contractors' shop. The proposed use does not represent a use that is significantly more intensive than was previously permitted on the site and is permitted by-right on nearby properties. This proposed addition and use represents an ideal, small-scale urban commercial use while limiting overall impact by retaining the existing structure. The proposed addition will be limited in scale and has been thoughtfully designed with quality materials, a limited height, and additional screening to remain compatible with the neighborhood while meeting the needs of a local business.

HERMITAGE ROAD OFFICE - RENOVATION & ADDITION

PROGRESS DRAWINGS - 5.15.2023



CONTRACTORS
...Building History

Drawing Table of Contents

CS - Cover Sheet

C1 - Original Site Plan (Mark Up)

C2 - Copy of Current Topo Survey

A1 - Overall Plan

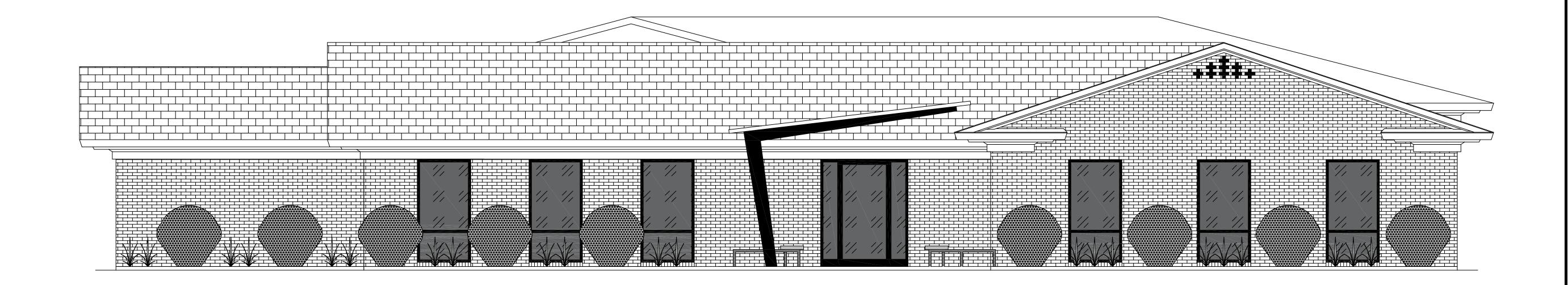
A2 - Office Layout

A3 - Addition Plan

A4 - Addition Roof Plan

A5 - West & South Elevations

A6 - East & North Elevations



PROGRESS

DRAWINGS FOR REVIEW & DISCUSSION

NOT FOR CONSTRUCTION

No. Revision/Issue Date

Firm Name and Add

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Project Name and Address

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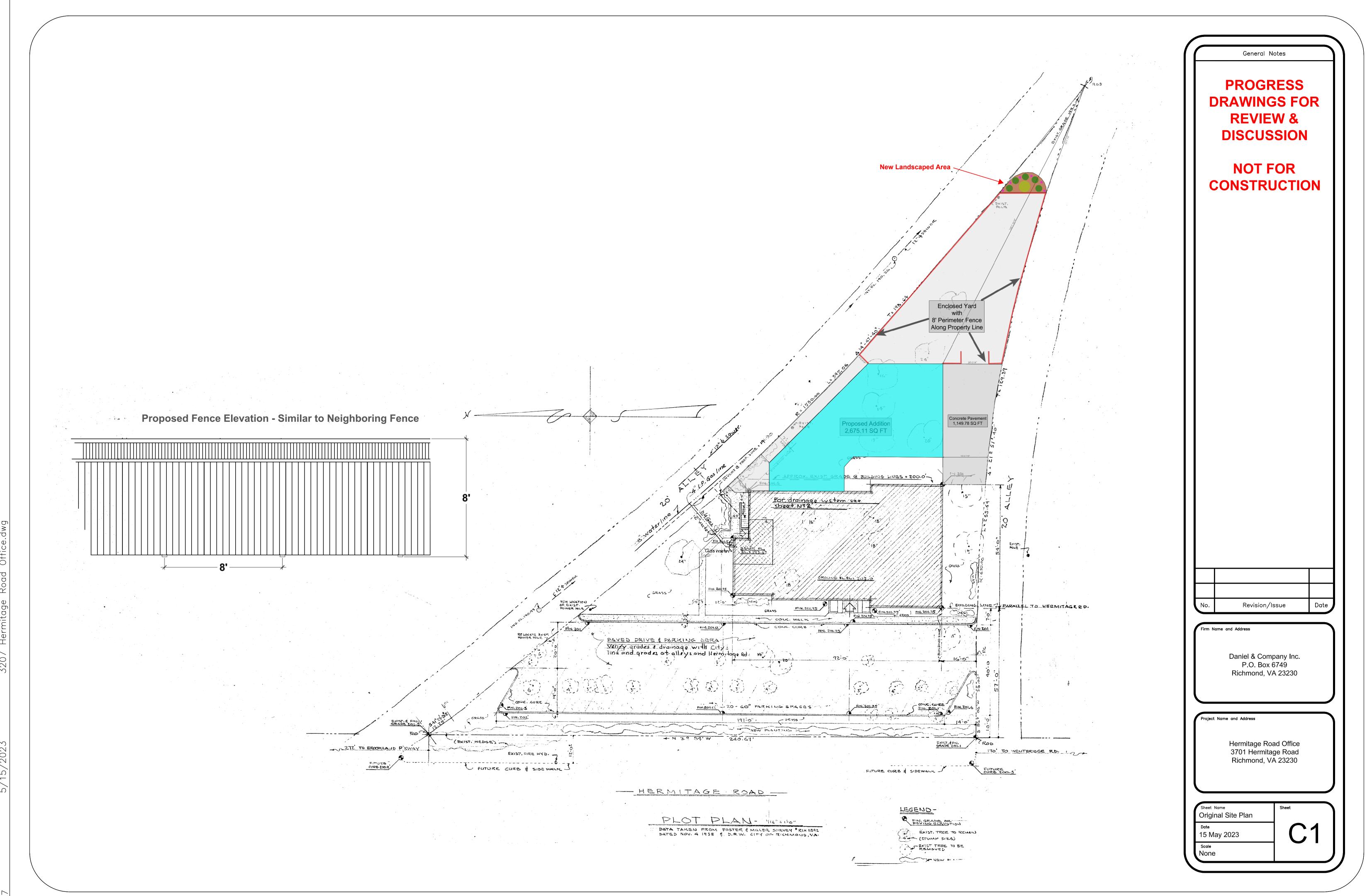
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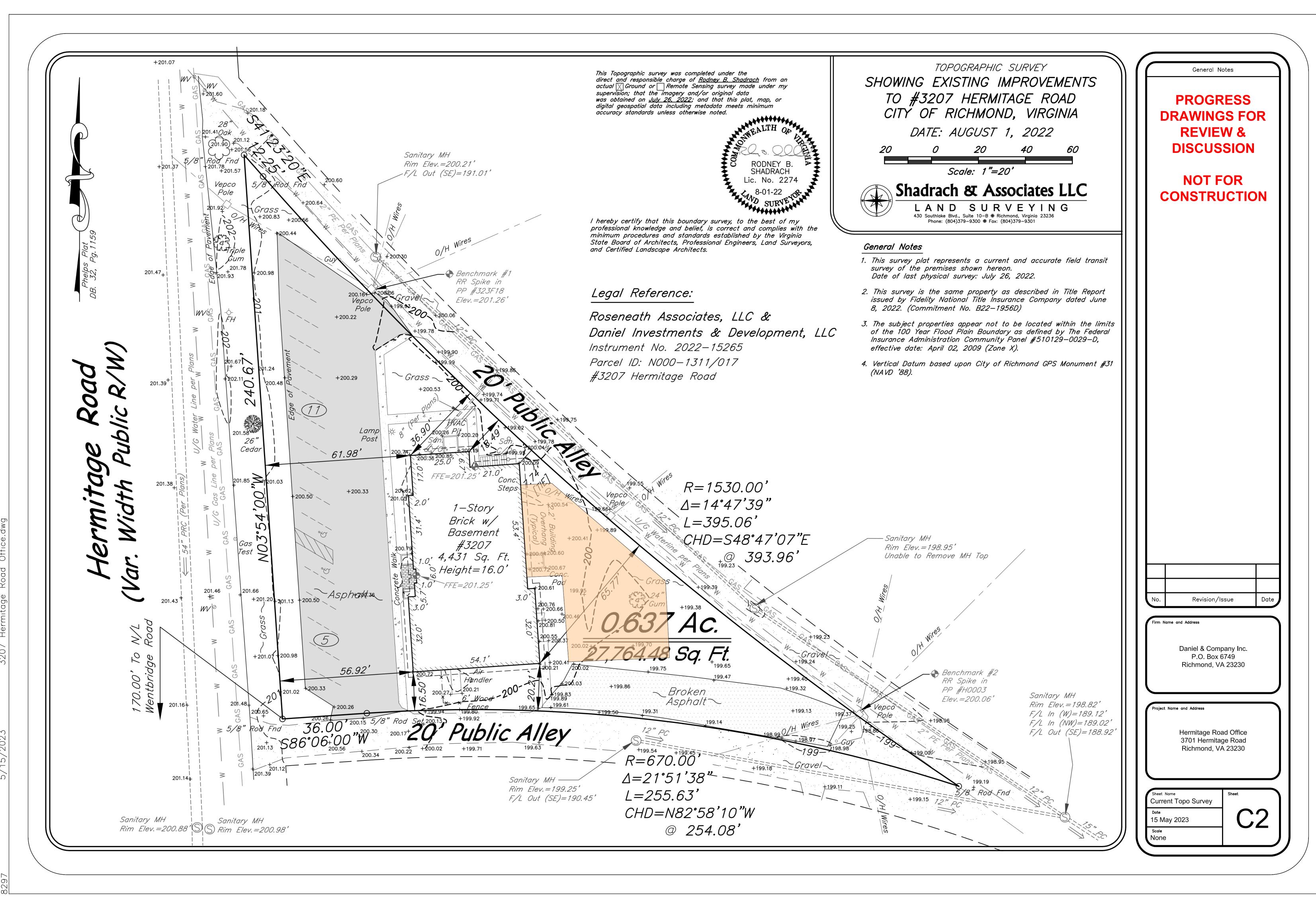
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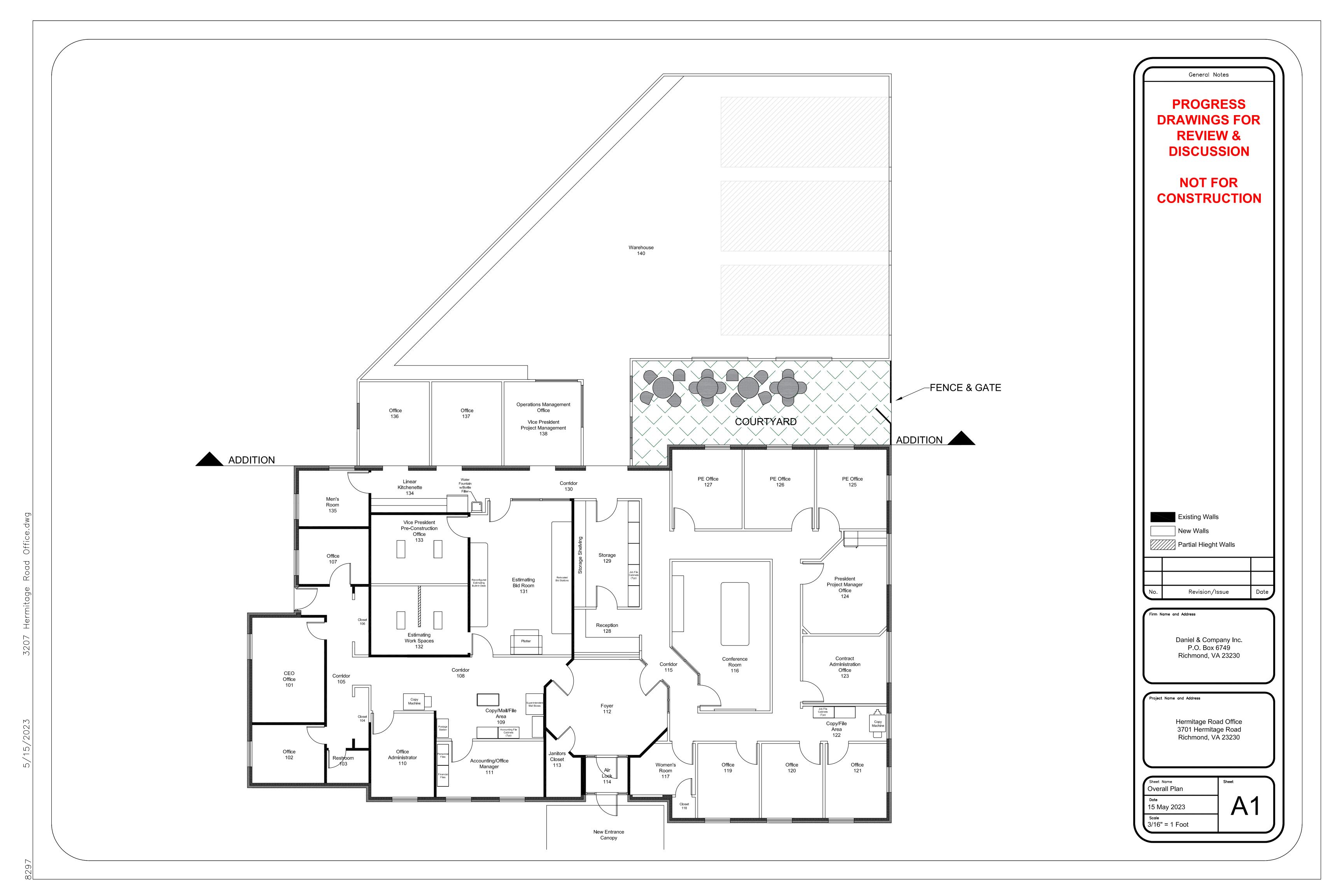
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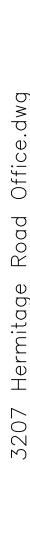


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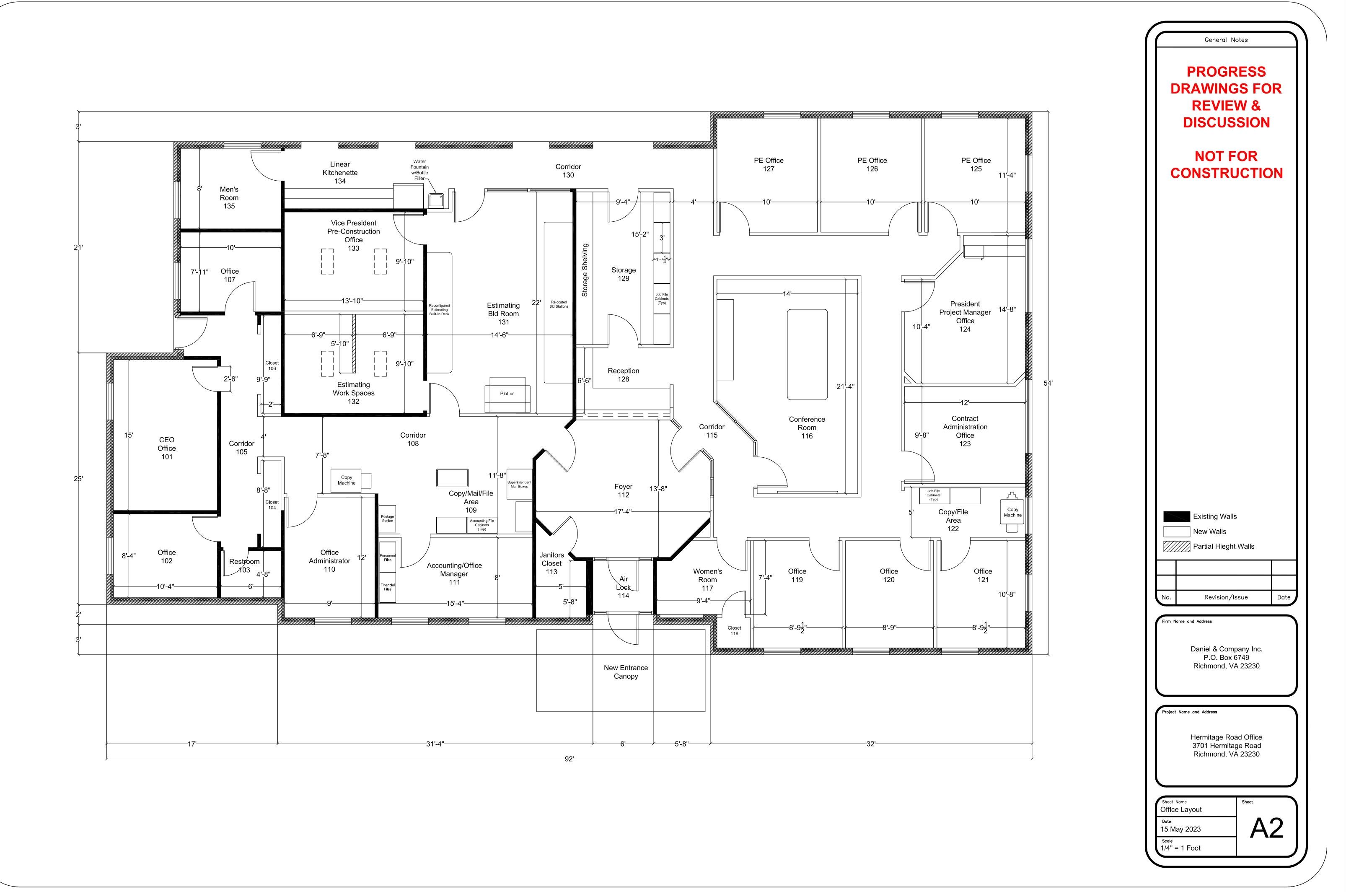
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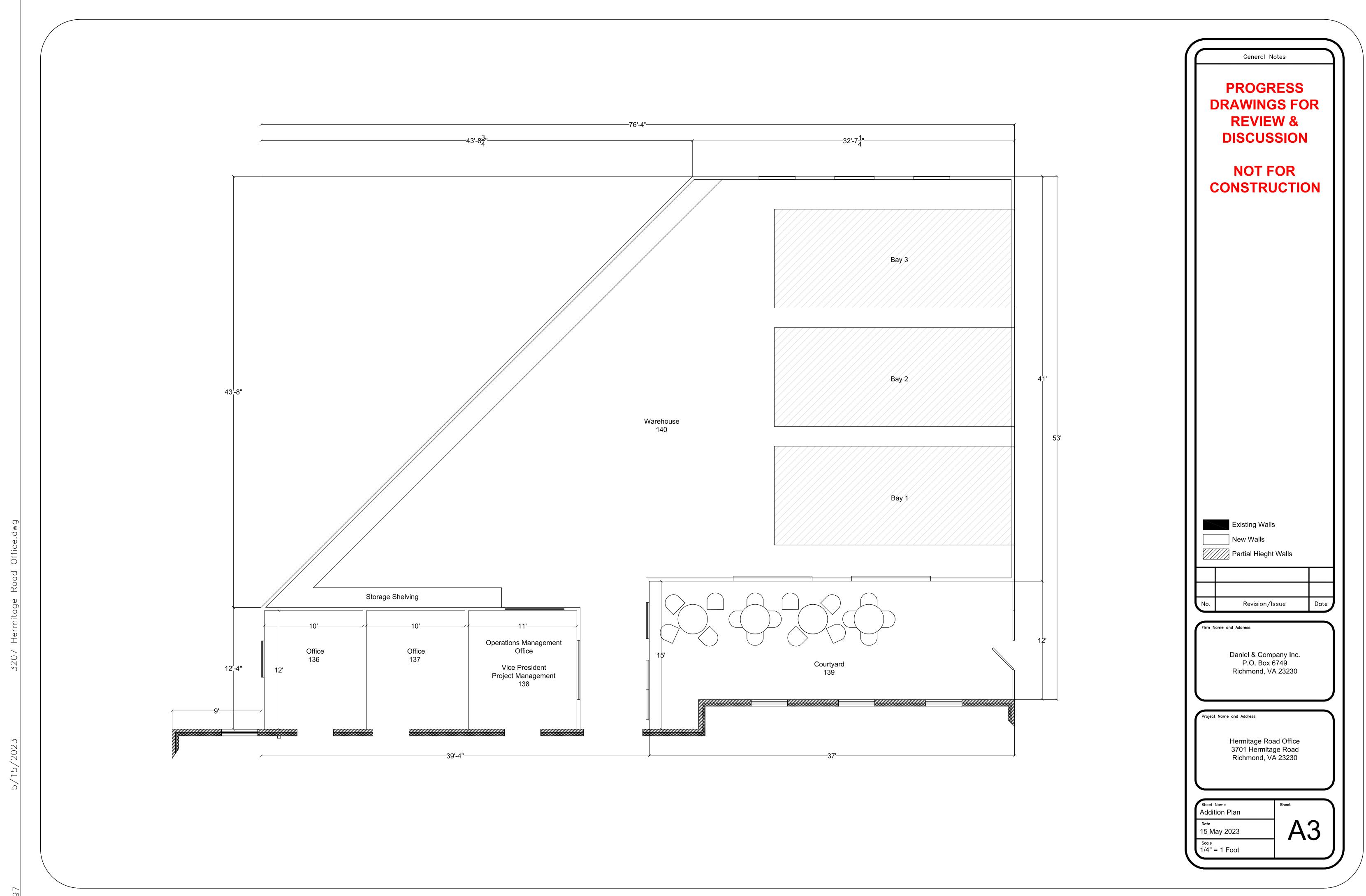


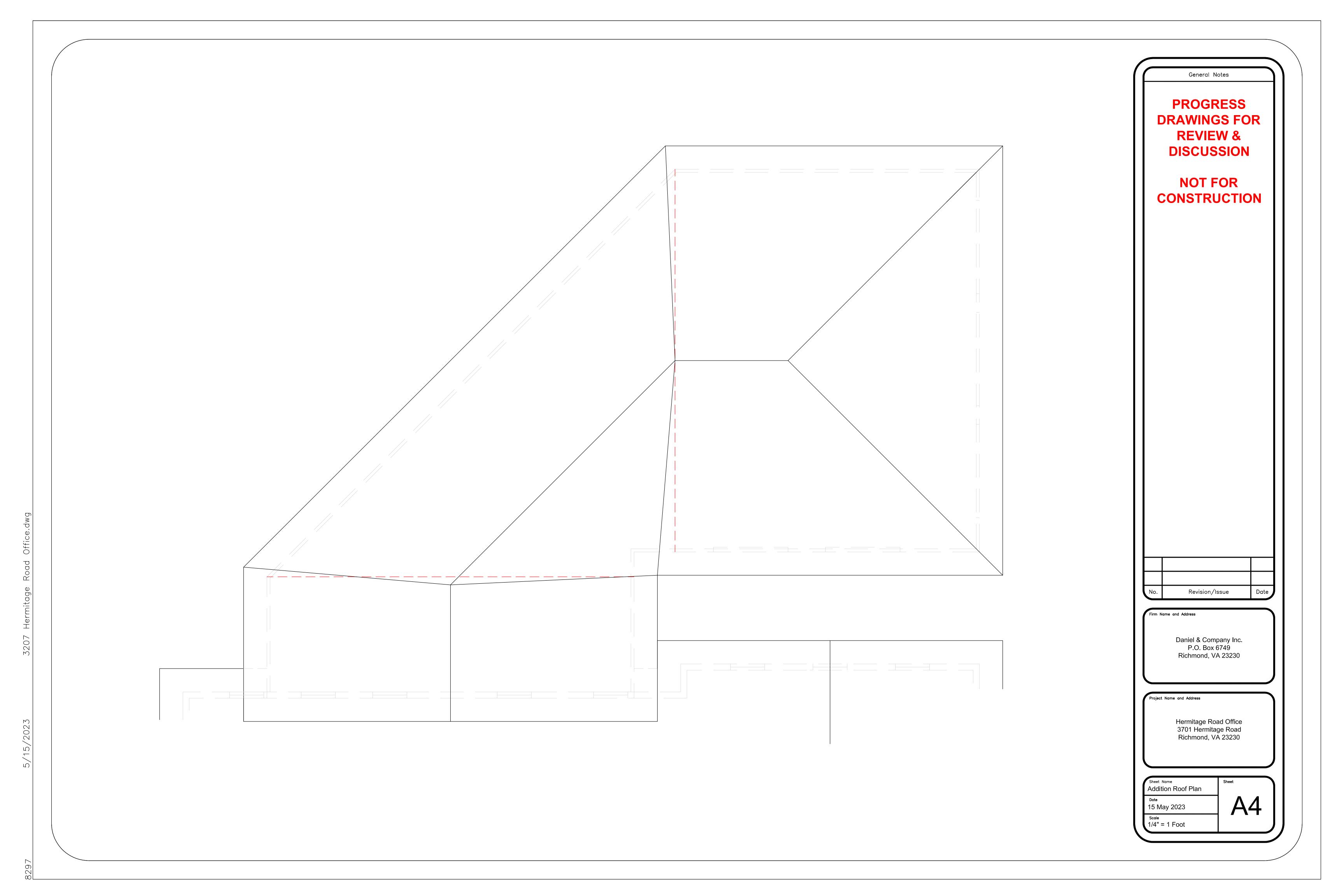


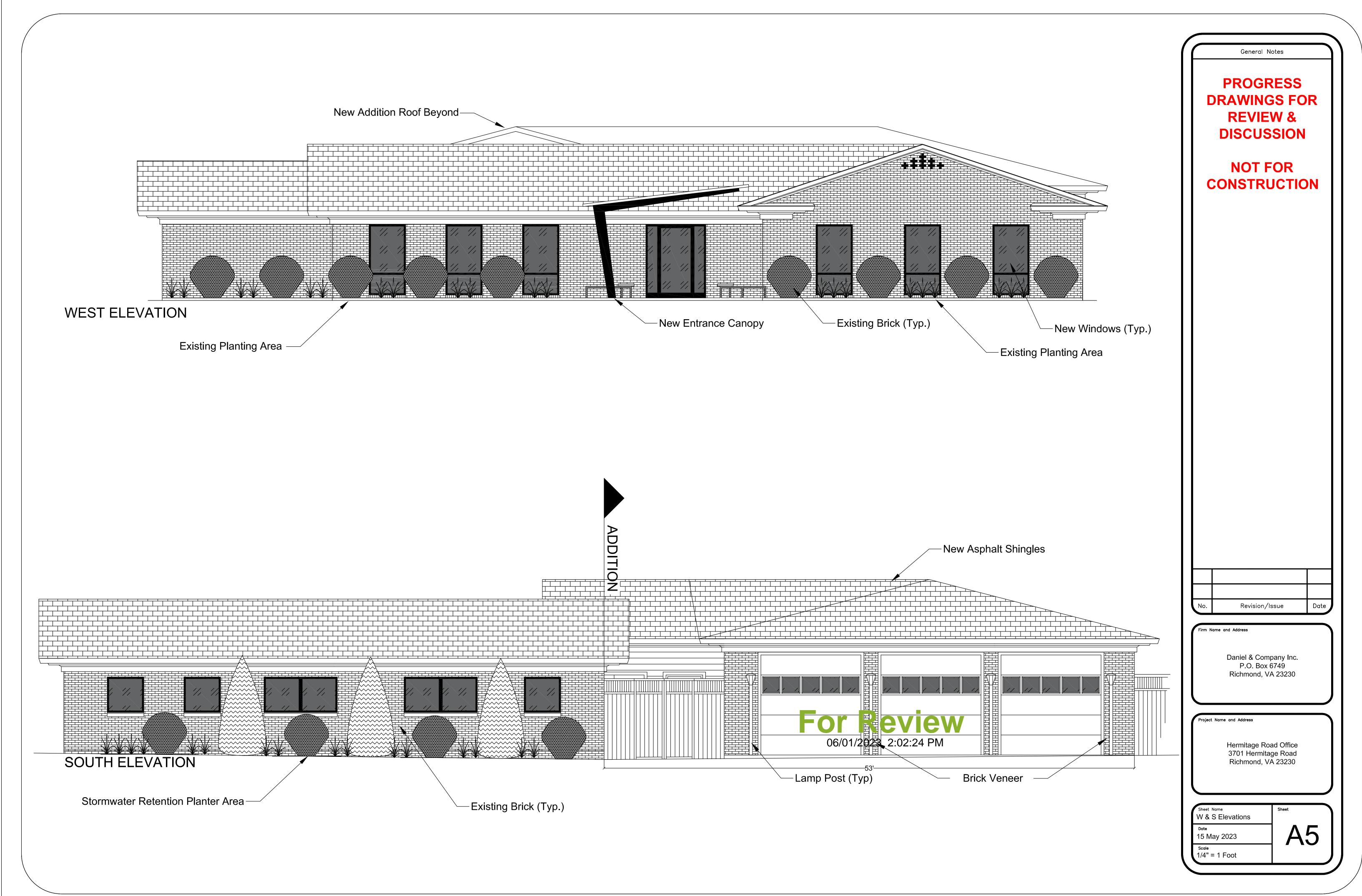












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