MONTGOMERY COUNTY HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION STAFF REPORT

Address: 4201 Bradley Lane., Chevy Chase Meeting Date: 12/1/2021

Resource: Individually Listed Master Plan Site **Report Date:** 11/24/2021

Glassie House (#35-122)

Applicant: Daniel Pewett **Public Notice:** 11/17/2021

Kate Adams, Architect

Review: HAWP Tax Credit: Partial

Permit No.: 968604 Staff: Dan Bruechert

Proposal: Building Addition and Deck Construction

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends the HPC approve the HAWP.

ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION

SIGNIFICANCE: Individually Listed Master Plan Site – Glassie House #35/122

STYLE: Arts and Crafts

DATE: 1910



Figure 1: The Glassie House is on the north side of Bradley Lane.

From Places from the Past:

"The Glassie House is an outstanding example of Arts and Crafts style architecture. Washington architect George Oakley Totten, Jr. designed the house in 1910. Dominating the broad front façade of the two-story house is a wrap-around porch with pergola roof and oversized supporting columns. Henry Haywood Glassie, an influential Washington attorney, lived in the house and served as a special assistant to the Attorney General."

PROPOSAL

The applicant proposes to construct an addition at the rear, replace an existing door, and alter existing wood decks.

APPLICABLE GUIDELINES

Proposed alterations to individual Master Plan Sites are reviewed under Montgomery County Code Chapter 24A (Chapter 24A) and the *Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation*. Rehabilitation is defined as the act or process of making possible a compatible use for a property through repair, alterations, and additions while preserving those portions or features, which convey its historical, cultural, or architectural values.

Montgomery County Code; Chapter 24A-8

- (a) The commission shall instruct the director to issue a permit, or issue a permit subject to such conditions as are found to be necessary to ensure conformity with the purposes and requirements of this chapter, if it finds that:
 - (1) The proposal will not substantially alter the exterior features of an historic site or historic resource within an historic district; or
 - (2) The proposal is compatible in character and nature with the historical, archeological, architectural or cultural features of the historic site or the historic district in which an historic resource is located and would not be detrimental thereto or to the achievement of the purposes of this chapter; or
 - (4) The proposal is necessary in order that unsafe conditions or health hazards be remedied;

Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation:

- 2. The historic character of a property shall be retained and preserved. The removal of historic materials or alteration of features and spaces that characterize a property shall be avoided.
- 9. New additions, exterior alterations, or related new construction will not destroy historic materials, features, and spatial relationships that characterize the property. The new work shall be differentiated from the old and will be compatible with the historic materials, features, size, scale and proportions, and massing to protect the integrity of the property and its environment.
- 10. New additions and adjacent or related new construction will be undertaken in such a manner that, if removed in the future, the essential form and integrity of the historic property and its environment would be unimpaired.

STAFF DISCUSSION

The subject property is a two-story Arts and Crafts house covered in stucco. At the rear, the one-story kitchen projects from the main mass of the house. There is a small wood deck to the rear of the kitchen; and two wood landings with stairs at the rear.

The applicant proposes to construct an addition above the existing kitchen, construct a new wood deck, replace a landing and rear set of stairs; and replace an existing rear door. Staff finds these changes will

not have a significant impact on the resource and recommends the HPC approve the HAWP. Staff notes the applicant is undertaking additional repair work that does not require a HAWP, but is eligible for the County Historic Preservation Tax Credit.

Building Addition

Above the existing kitchen wing, the applicant proposes constructing a second-floor addition that will contain a closet and bathroom. The proposed addition includes a combination of wood fixed and two-over-two sash windows, a flat roof, and fiber cement shingle siding.

Typically, additions need to be inset from the historic wall plane to help differentiate the historic from the new construction, as required by Standard 9. Because this addition is being constructed directly above the existing kitchen, Staff finds that an inset is not necessary and may even detract from the historic form of the house. Staff finds that utilizing an exterior material other than stucco will help differentiate the new addition from the historic. As new construction, Staff finds that wood siding and most fiber cement products (clapboards, panels, etc.) would be appropriate. After consulting with Staff, the applicant selected Nichishake from Nichila, a fiber cement shake that is 5/16" (five-sixteenths of an inch) thick. This is slightly thicker than HardieShingle and will create stronger shadow lines. Staff finds this siding is appropriate for new construction, at the rear of the house. All other trim pieces are from the James Hardie Company and are appropriate for the house.

Staff finds the wood windows, both the two-lite fixed and two-over-two sash windows are appropriate for the house and recommends approval.

Rear Deck and Stair Replacement

Thie existing rear deck is little more than a large landing with a wood stair and railing. The other two doors at the rear have wood stairs and landings. None of the rear wood stairs appear to meet current building code requirements.

The applicant proposes constructing a new larger deck at the rear, removing the central set of stairs, and replacing the stairs and landing that provide access to the sunroom (the westernmost set of stairs). The proposed deck will provide access to the kitchen and the entry hall doors. The deck will be wood, with a simply detailed wood railing and a rear-loading set of stairs. The stairs and landing will also be constructed out of wood with a simply detailed wood railing.

Staff finds the two wood decks are compatible with the character of the house (24A-8(b)(2) and will not be visible from the right of way (24A-8(b)(1).

Rear Door Replacement

The rear wood half-lite door off of the kitchen has degraded and needs to be replaced. The applicant proposes replacing the door with a wood door that matches the material, size, and configuration of the existing door and constitutes an in-kind replacement that does not require a HAWP. Staff notes that this work is eligible for the County Historic Preservation Tax Credit.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the Commission <u>approve</u> the HAWP application, under the Criteria for Issuance in Chapter 24A-8(b)(1) and (2), having found that the proposal will not substantially alter the exterior features of the historic resource and is compatible in character with the district and the purposes of Chapter 24A;

and with the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation #2, 9, and 10;

and with the general condition that the applicant shall present an electronic set of drawings, if applicable, to Historic Preservation Commission (HPC) staff for review and stamping prior to submission for the Montgomery County Department of Permitting Services (DPS) building permits;

and with the general condition that final project design details, not specifically delineated by the Commission, shall be approved by HPC staff or brought back to the Commission as a revised HAWP application at staff's discretion;

and with the general condition that the applicant shall notify the Historic Preservation Staff if they propose to make **any alterations** to the approved plans. Once the work is completed the applicant will contact the staff person assigned to this application at 301-563-3400 or dan.bruechert@montgomeryplanning.org to schedule a follow-up site visit.



APPLICATION FOR HISTORIC AREA WORK PERMIT HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION 301.563.3400

HAWP#__968604 DATE ASSIGNED_

FOR STAFF ONLY:

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Address: 4701 Sangamore Rd., North Plaza, Ste. 4	10 City: Bethesda Zip: 20816
Daytime Phone: 301-814-2364	Contractor Registration No.: 119848
LOCATION OF BUILDING/PREMISE: MIHP # of	Historic Property M: 35-122
map of the easement, and documentation from the Are other Planning and/or Hearing Examiner App (Conditional Use, Variance, Record Plat, etc.?) If National Information.	provals / Reviews Required as part of this Application?
Town/City: Chevy Chase Neares	st Cross Street: Maple Avenue
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for proposed work are submitted with this a be accepted for review. Check all that apply: New Construction Addition Demolition Grading/Excavation I hereby certify that I have the authority to make and accurate and that the construction will com	Shed/Garage/Accessory Structure Solar Tree removal/planting

HAWP APPLICATION: MAILING ADDRESSES FOR NOTIFING

[Owner, Owner's Agent, Adjacent and Confronting Property Owners]

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Owner's mailing address	Owner's Agent's mailing address
Daniel Pewett 9 Fairwood Ct. Rockville, MD 20850	Kate Adams Case Design 4701 Sangamore Rd. North Plaza, Suite 40 Bethesda, MD 20816
Adjacent and confronting	Property Owners mailing addresses
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STEPHENS GRANT J III 4191 Bradley Ln. Chevy Chase, MD 20815	CHEVY CHASE CLUB INC 6100 Connecticut Ave. Chevy Chase, MD 20815
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Description of Property: Please describe the building and surrounding environment. Include information on significant structures, landscape features, or other significant features of the property:

Built in 1910, amd still owned by the original family, the house is a large Arts and Crafts style home, with an expansive front porch that wraps around both front corners. The porch was originally an open pergola design, but has since been roofed. The house displays a slate mansard roof with prominent modillions at the eaves. The house is a rectangular center hall design, with a small sunroom extension off the left side and a kitchen extension off the rear. Both extensions have roof decks with decorative concrete block railings. A small one-car garage with painted wood shake siding and asphault shingle roof sits at the rear, right corner of the backyard.

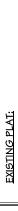
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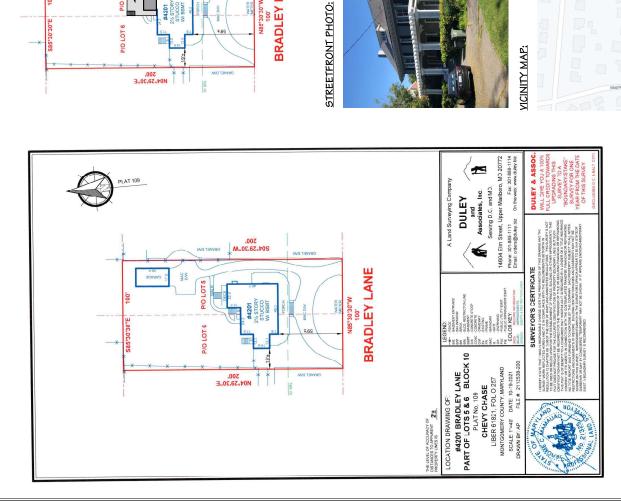
"4201 Bradley Lane--Town
Henry and Gertrude Glassie House (1910)
Architect: George Oakley Totten, Jr.
An outstanding example of a large-scale Arts and Crafts style residence, the Glassie
House is located on a prominent site on Bradley Lane. The 2 112 story three-bay structure has a deck on hip roof with wide eaves adorned with modillions. Pergolas across the main (south) and east facades are supported by paneled bracketed columns. The house is constructed of tile covered with stucco."

Description of Work Proposed: Please give an overview of the work to be undertaken:

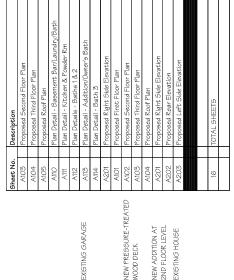
Interior rehabilitation and renovation with exterior rehabilitation as listed:

- 1. ADDITION Add a 1-story addition above the existing kitchen wing at rear of house, where there is an existing roof deck. The addition would house a master bathroom and closet, and be located entirely at the rear of the house, where it is not visible from the street. Windows would be sized and specified to match existing styles and openings. The addition would be clad in cementitious shake siding and painted, with a standing seam metal hipped roof.
- 2. REPLACE (1) existing exterior wood door at rear kitchen entry, with a new half-lite wood door with lower paneling to match existing. A similar door is already existing at another rear hallway.
- 3. REPLACE (2) existing wood rear porches and stairs with (1) wood and composite deck with composite railings.
- 4. REPLACE existing wood railings at a third rear porch/stairs with new composite railing to match deck.





PROPOSED ARCHITECTURAL SITE PLAN;



- NEW ADDITION AT 2ND FLOOR LEVEL EXISTING HOUSE

WOOD DECK

P/O LOT 6

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DANIEL PEWETT OWNER: 4201 BRADLEY LANE CHEYY CHASE, MD 20815

PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

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EXISTING GARAGE

PROJECT DATA:

ADDRESS:

BRADLEY LANE

"Glassie House" MIHP INFORMATION:

INVENTORY NO.: M-35-122

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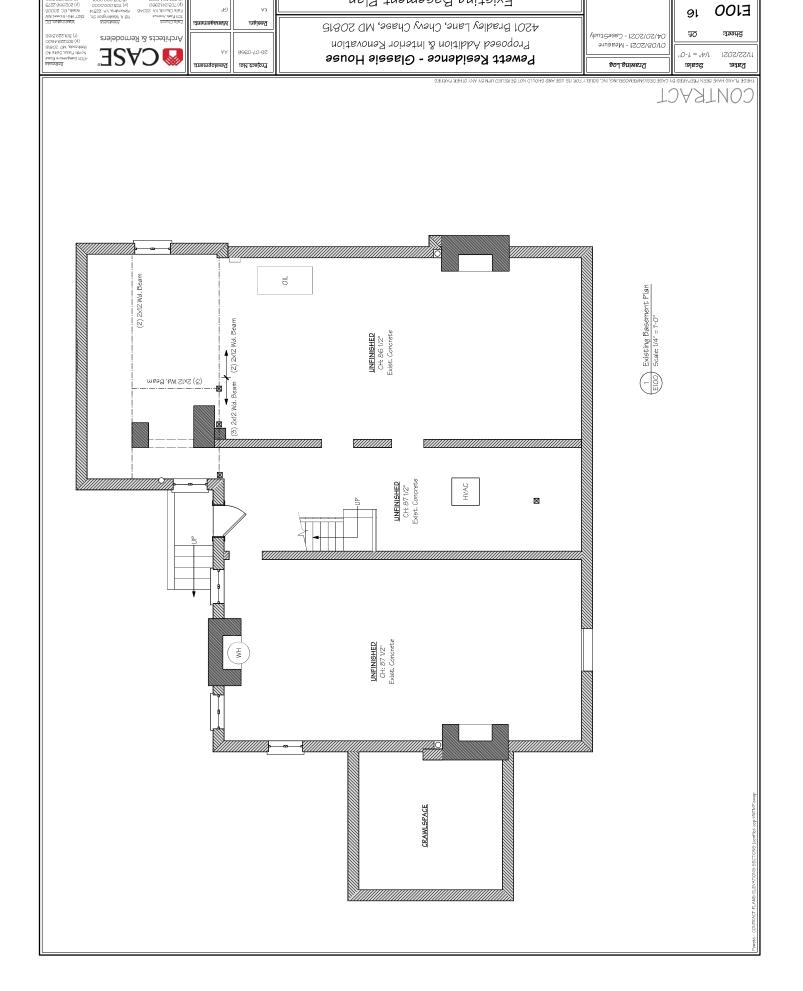
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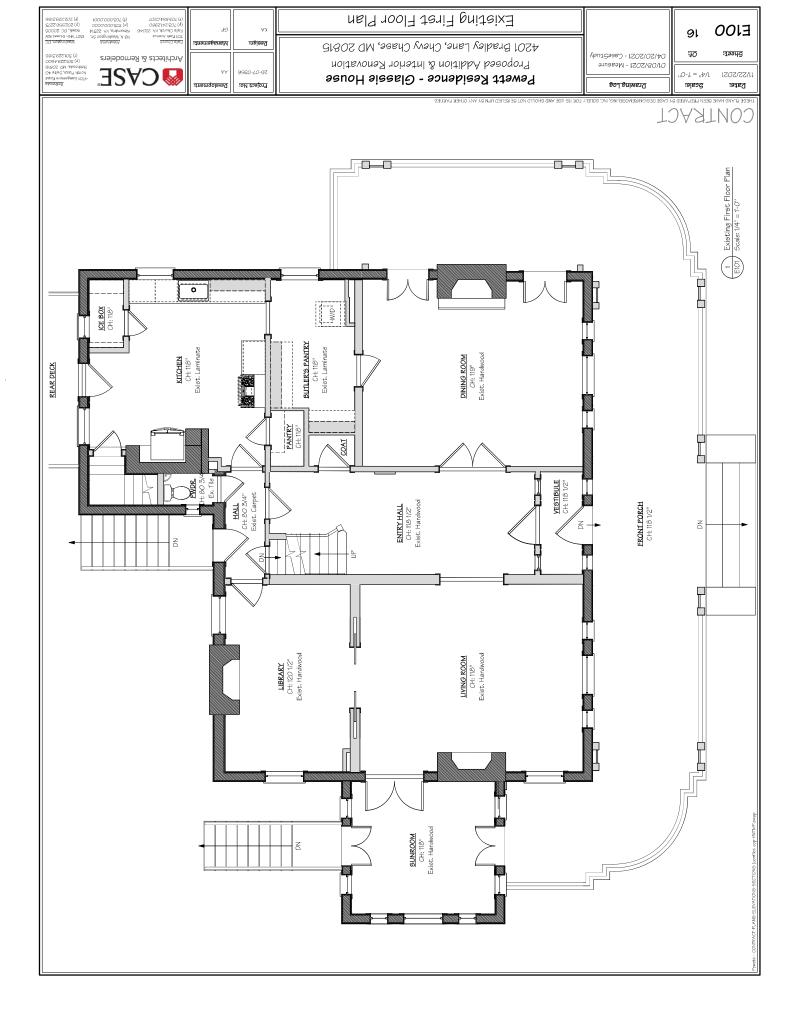
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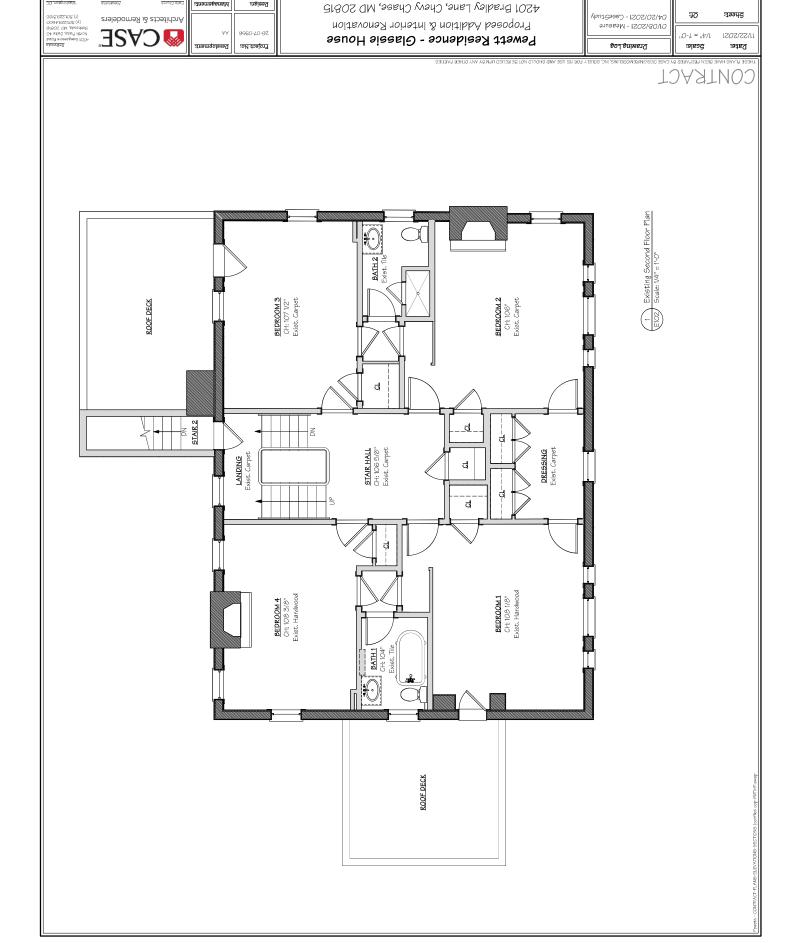
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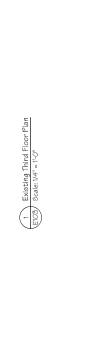


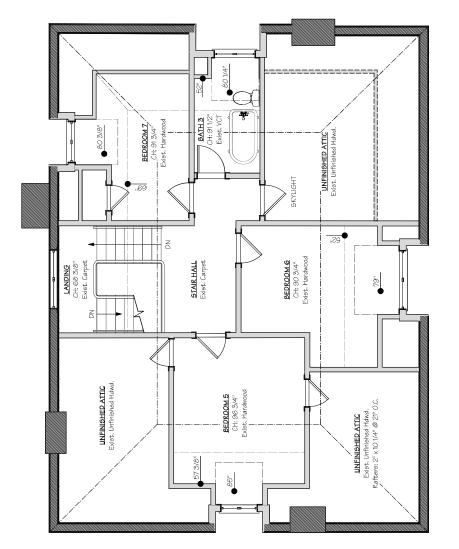


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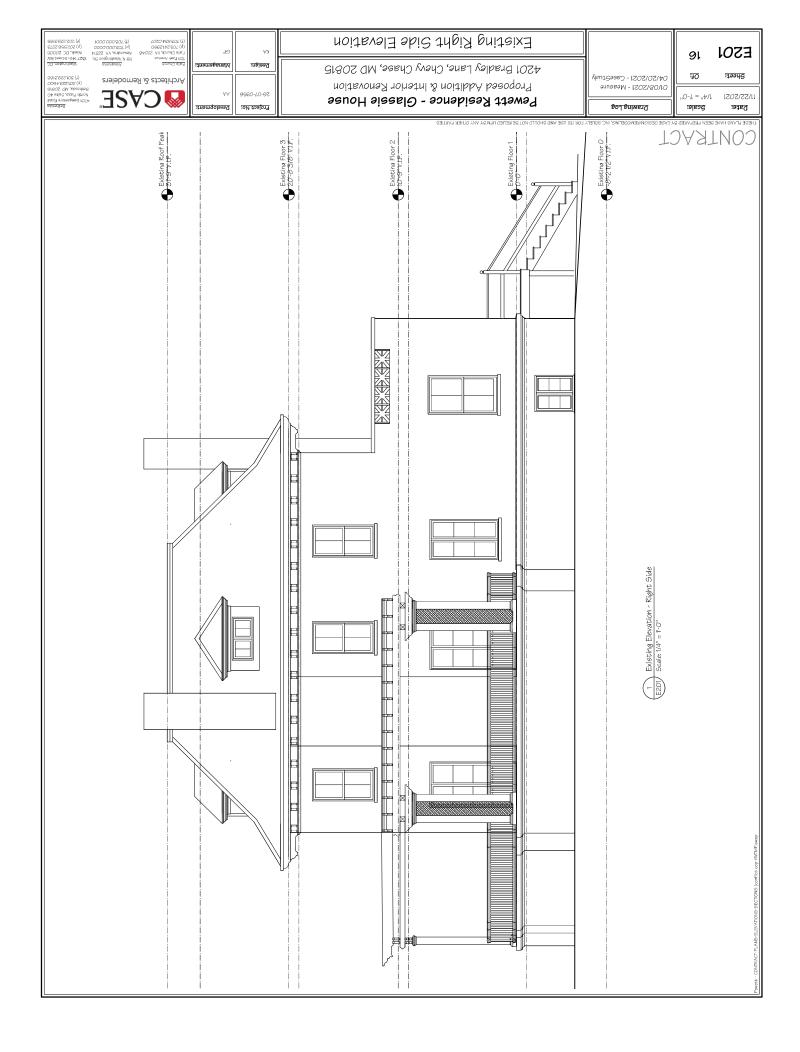
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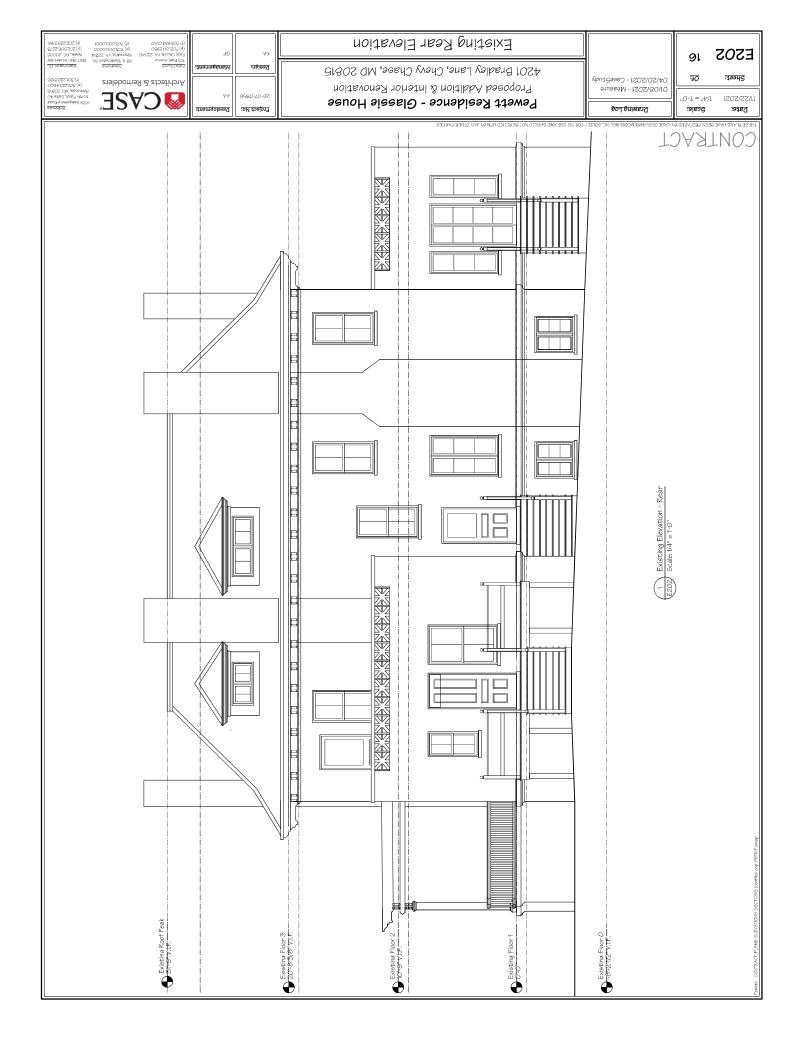
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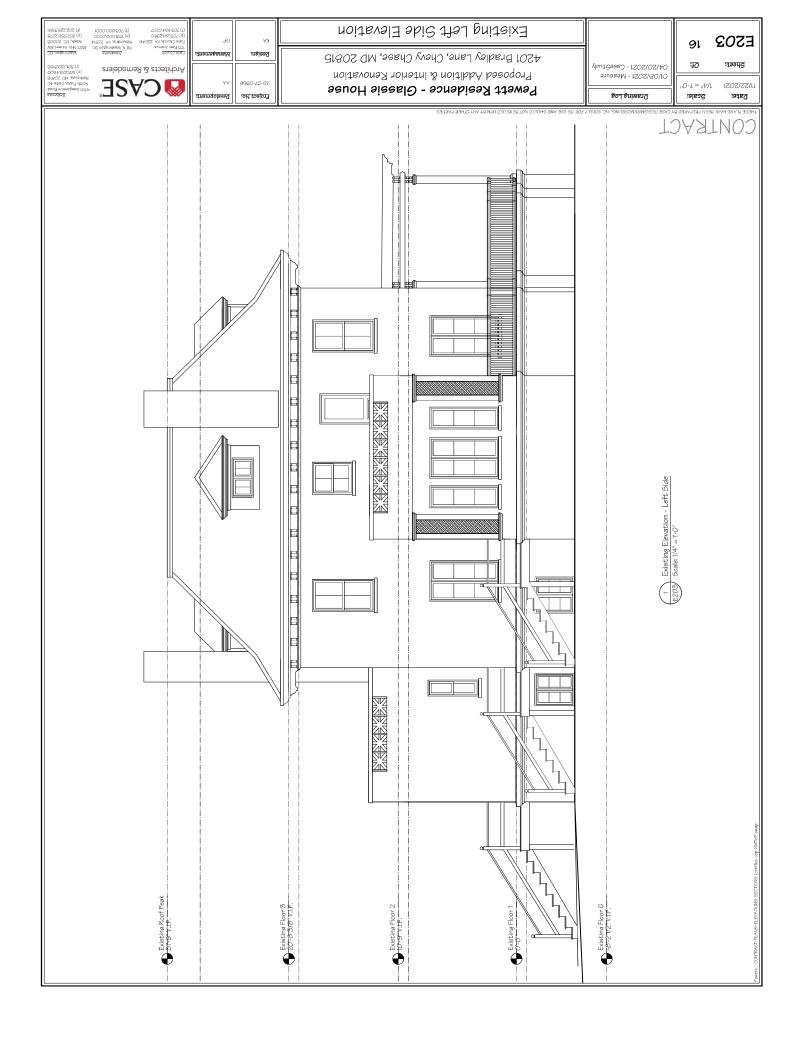
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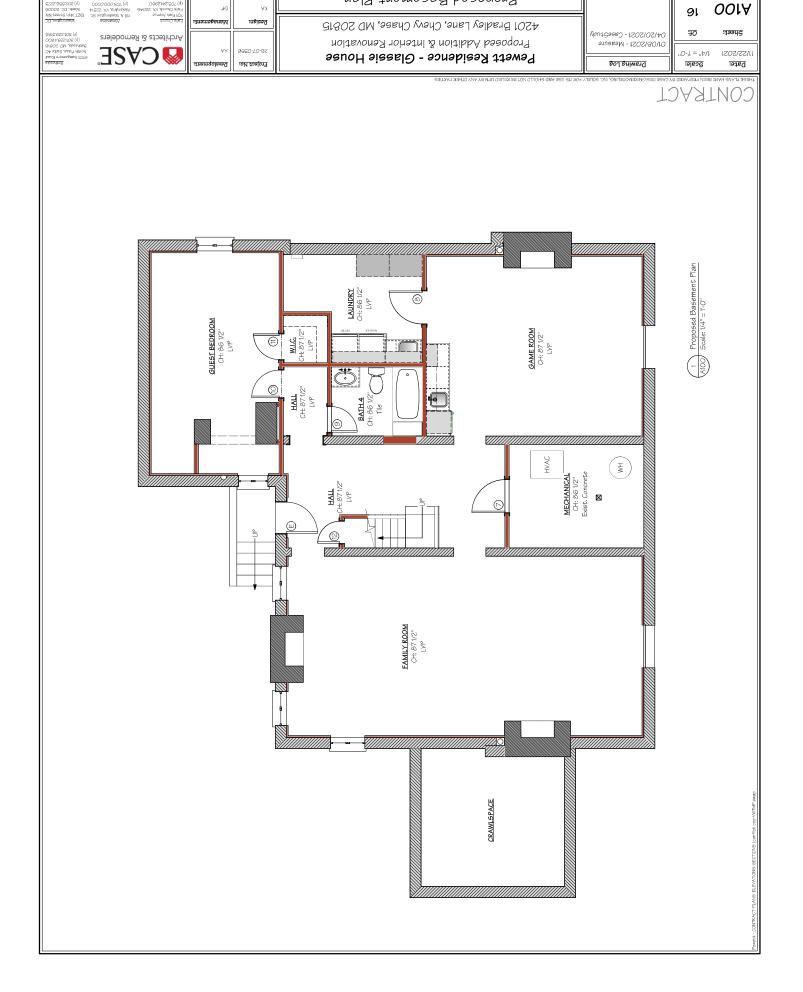
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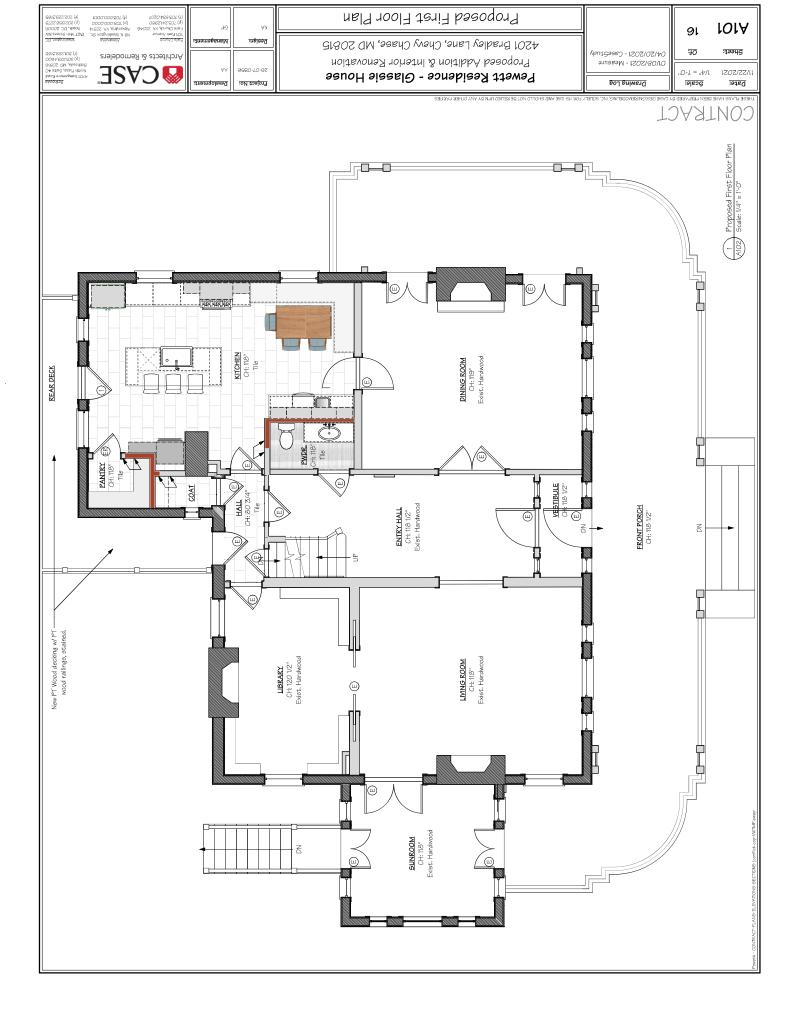


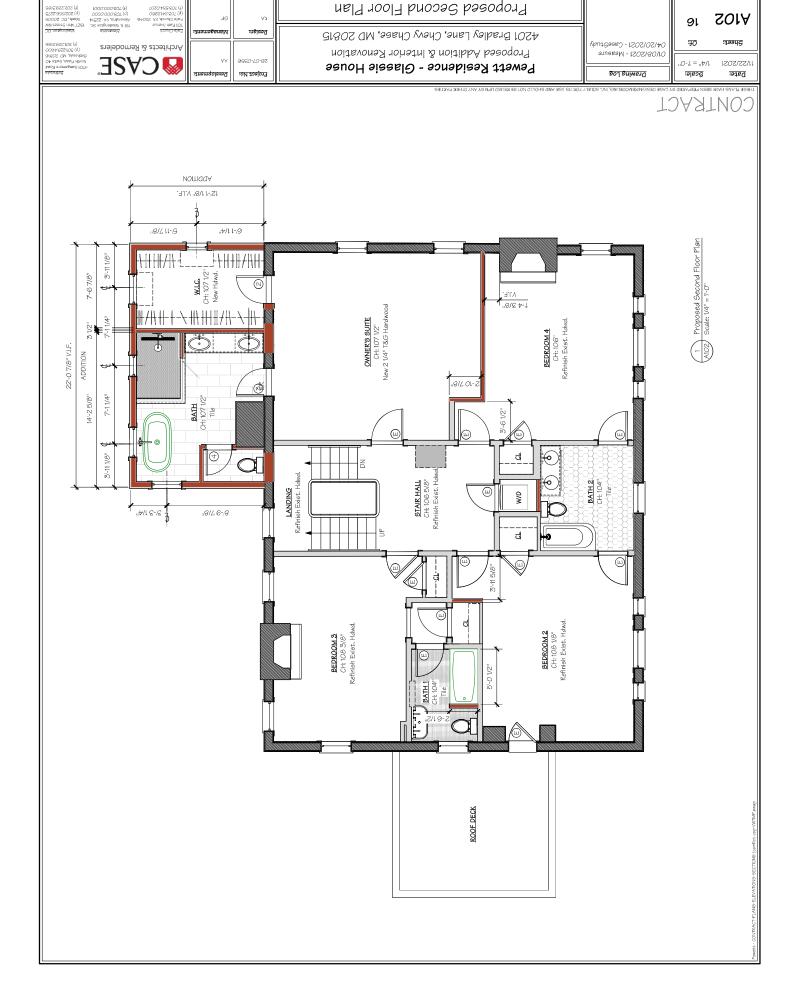


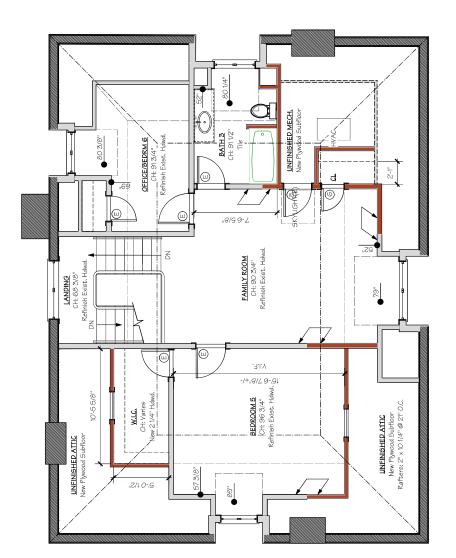




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