CITY OF ROCKWALL HISTORIC PRESERVATION ADVISORY BOARD (HPAB) CASE MEMO

AGENDA DATE: 05/18/2017

APPLICANTS: Mike Frasier

AGENDA ITEM: H2017-006 510 Williams Street-COA

SUMMARY:

Hold a public hearing to discuss and consider a request by Mike Frazier for the approval of a Certificate of Appropriateness (COA) allowing the renovation and expansion of an existing single-family home on a *Medium-Contributing* property being a 0.388-acre parcel of land identified as W/2 of 121 A, Block 121, B. F. Boydston Addition, City of Rockwall, Rockwall County, Texas, zoned Single-Family 7 (SF-7) District, situated within the Old Town Rockwall (OTR) Historic District, addressed as 510 Williams Street, and take any action necessary.

PURPOSE AND BACKGROUND:

The applicant has submitted an application requesting the Historic Preservation Advisory Board (HPAB) approve a Certificate of Appropriateness (COA) for the purpose of allowing the renovation and expansion of a single-family home on a *Medium-Contributing* property that is located in the Old Town Rockwall (OTR) Historic District. In addition, the applicant has submitted separate applications for a Building Permit Fee Waiver/Reduction [*H2017-009*] and a Small Matching Grant [*H2017-010*].

CHARACTERISTICS OF THE PROJECT:

The subject property is addressed as 510 Williams Street and is recognized as a *Medium-Contributing* property, which indicates that the property has significant architectural and/or historic characteristics. The existing home is approximately 1,445 SF and according to the 2017 Historic Resource Survey, the home is considered to be a ranch-style home and constructed in 1965. The property is zoned Single-Family 7 (SF-7) District and is located southwest of the intersection of Williams Street and Parks Avenue.

The applicant is proposing to add an ~1,507 SF addition and an ~816 SF detached garage to the rear of the property. Additionally, the applicant is proposing to add an ~467 SF porte cochère to the right side of the home where the driveway is located. The applicant is also proposing to change the roofline to a steeper pitch [*i.e. from 6/12 to 8/12-9/12 pitch*] to accommodate the new depth of the home, and to remove the existing brick on the home and replace it with a "slurred" brick to give it an older look. Additionally, the applicant will be replacing the original single-pane windows with low-E windows made of vinyl. The new windows will have the same mull pattern as the existing.

According to Section 6.2.B, *Contributing Structure*, of Article V, *District Development Standards*, of the Unified Development Code (UDC), a *contributing structure* is a building, site, structure, or object which adds to the historical architectural qualities, historical associations, or archaeological value for which a property or district is significant because:

1. It was present during the period of significance and possesses historical integrity reflecting its character at that time or is capable of yielding important information about the period; or,

2. It independently meets the National Register criteria. The level by which a property is "contributing" (high-, medium-, and low-contributing property) was originally determined by a historical survey of the properties within the Old Town Rockwall (OTR) District implemented by the Planning and Zoning Department through the spring and summer of 2000.

Additionally, Section 6.2.G, *Standards of Approval*, of Article V, *District Development Standards*, of the Unified Development Code (UDC) states that the Historic Preservation Advisory Board (HPAB) must approve the application for a Certificate of Appropriateness (COA) if it determines that the application will not adversely affect the character of the site; and the proposed work is consistent with the regulations contained in the Unified Development Code (UDC).

According to Section III, *Building Standards,* of Appendix D, *Historic Preservation Guidelines,* of the Unified Development Code (UDC):

- All exterior wood and masonry materials and their use should be compatible to the style and period of the building or structure. The proposed wood and masonry materials are compatible to the style and period of the building.
- ☑ The existing building facade materials on a building should be respected and not be changed or concealed by the introduction of a different material. The existing façade is generally being left as is. The applicant is proposing to utilize a "slurred" brick which is more compatible with homes during this period.
- ✓ When the existing facade materials are not the original type, then materials may be replaced with, or returned to the original type. The applicant would like to use Chicago Brick, however, if it is not available, the applicant will use the "slurred" brick as an alternative.
- ☑ Materials, structural and decorative elements and the manner in which they are used, applied or joined together should be typical of the style and period of the existing structure. New additions, alterations and new construction should be visually compatible with neighboring historic buildings or structures. The proposed elevations are in conformance. Additionally, the new addition is visually compatible with neighboring historic structures.
- ☑ All new buildings and additions shall be constructed to a height and number of stories which are consistent and compatible with existing neighboring historic buildings or structures on the same block face. The proposed addition is compatible with neighboring structures and is consistent with the period.
- ☑ All new additions and alterations, should recognize and maintain the established historic home site orientation, and side and front setbacks within the block face, thereby being visually compatible and maintaining the established rhythm and setback spacing. The new addition is located to the rear of the main structure and conforms to all setbacks for properties located in a Single-Family 7 (SF-7) District.

According to Section III.D, *Building Facades and Materials*, of Appendix D, *Historic Preservation Guidelines*, of the Unified Development Code (UDC):

☑ Roof shape, form and design should be typical of or consistent with the style and period of the architecture of buildings within the Historic District. Although the roofline is being changed, the proposed roofline is consistent with the style and architecture of the period.

- ☑ The accepted roof overhang for a new structure should be typical of a structure of similar style and period. Replacement, addition or alteration to an existing roof should have the same overhang as the existing roof. The proposed roof overhang is typical of a structure of similar style and period. Additionally, the addition will match the roof of the existing structure.
- ☑ The eaves or soffit heights of a structure should be consistent with the heights of neighboring contributing structures or with those in the closest block face with buildings of a similar period and style and the same number of stories. The proposed soffit heights are consistent with neighboring structures.
- ☑ Roof materials/colors should be visually compatible and compliment the style and period of the structure. Where historically typical materials are no longer available, compatible alternatives will be allowed. The proposed roof materials are compatible and compliment the style and period of the structure.
- ☑ The degree and direction of roof slope and pitch should be consistent with the style and period of the historic structure. The pitch of the roof is being change from a 6/12 to an 8/12-9/12, however, this is still consistent with the style and period of the primary structure.

In this case, the applicants' request is in conformance with all the guidelines for the renovation and expansion of a residential property as stipulated by the City's historic district guidelines. While the roofline will be changed to accommodate the new addition, it will constructed in a similar style as the existing. The proposed structure does generally incorporate similar design elements as the adjacent properties, and approval of the request will not impair the historical integrity of the subject property; however, staff should note that alterations such as replacement of windows, altering rooflines, and additions to the home may affect the property's contributing nature in the future. The applicant is mitigating for this by matching the pattern of the new vinyl windows to the existing windows.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

Should the Historic Preservation Advisory Board (HPAB) approve the Certificate of Appropriateness (COA), staff would recommend the following conditions of approval:

 Any construction or building necessary to complete this *Certificate of Appropriateness* (*COA*) request must conform to the requirements set forth by the UDC, the International Building Code, the Rockwall Municipal Code of Ordinances, city adopted engineering and fire codes and with all other applicable regulatory requirements administered and/or enforced by the state and federal government.





City of Rockwall

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FRASIER CONTRACTING INC.

April 20, 2017.

VIA HAND DELEVERED:

Re: Frasier Addition 510 Williams St. Rockwall, Texas 75087

To the Historic Preservation Advisory Board of the City of Rockwall,

The reason for application for certificate of appropriateness (COA) is due to my clients need to add to and remodel the interior of the home.

The addition to the property for the most part is in the rear of the home and also a detached garage on the back right of the property. Highly visible from Williams St., we will be adding a Porte cochere to the right side of the home where the driveway is at the present.

The majority of the work will be done in the interior of the home. The roof line should be changed to a steeper pitch as to accommodate the new depth of the home from front to the rear. I would expect the pitch to change from a 6/12 to perhaps a 8-9/12 pitch would suffice.

The finishes we plan on using on the exterior will be the same as the existing. The only exception **may** be brick and will definitely be the windows. We are entertaining removing the existing brick and replacing with a new brick which would be "slurred" to give an older look, depending on the availability and appearance of "Old Chicago" brick, provided we find any. We will be replacing the original single pane windows using new low-E windows made of vinyl. These window will have the same mull pattern that is on the home at the present.

Also, we ask for a waiver of the permit fee and a matching grant of \$1,000.00 due to the residence being located in the OTR and our improvement in the front elevation of the home and property.

Thank you for your time and consideration in this matter!

Mike Frasier

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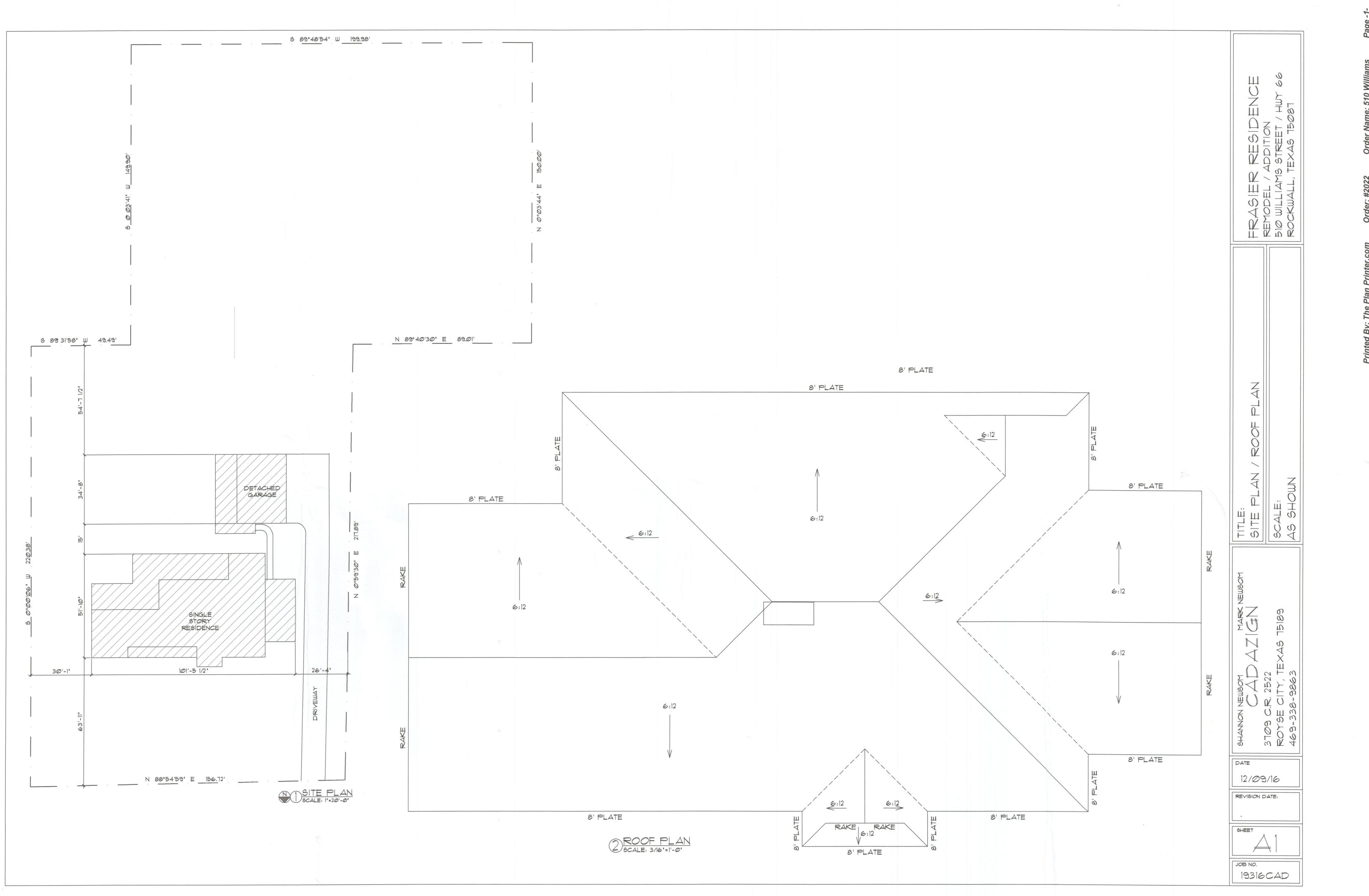
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CITY OF ROCKWALL HISTORIC RESOURCES SURVEY – INVENTORY

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	Parcel ID 14476	Type Single-Family House - Ranch	Year built Ca. 1965	Stylistic influences Ranch	Alterations Doors replaced	Additions None	Recommended NRHP designations Recommended contributing to a NRHP district	Recommended local designations Recommended contributing to a local historic district	Priority ranking Medium	
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	Parcel ID 16605	Type Outbuilding - Shed	Year built Ca. 1995	Stylistic influences None	Alterations None	Additions None	Recommended NRHP designations Recommended non-contributing to a NRHP district	Recommended local designations Recommended non-contributing to a local historic district	Priority ranking None	
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	Parcel ID 16605	Type Single-Family House - Bungalow	Year built 1918	Stylistic influences Craftsman	Alterations Windows replaced, Doors replaced	Additions None	Recommended NRHP designations Recommended contributing to a NRHP district, Recommended individually eligible for the NRHP	Recommended local designations Recommended contributing to a local historic district, Recommended eligible as a local landmark	Priority ranking High	
	602 WILLIA	MS ST						HF	HMID 21691	
	Parcel ID 14396	Type Single-Family House - Massed Plan	Year built Ca. 1915	Stylistic influences Colonial Revival	Alterations None	Additions None	Recommended NRHP designations Recommended individually eligible for the NRHP, Recommended contributing to a NRHP district	Recommended local designations Recommended eligible as a local landmark, Recommended contributing to a local historic district	Priority ranking High	
	602 WILLIAMS ST									
	Parcel ID 14396	Type Outbuilding - Back House	Year built Ca. 1990	Stylistic influences None	Alterations None	Additions None	Recommended NRHP designations Recommended non-contributing to a NRHP district	Recommended local designations Recommended non-contributing to a local historic district	Priority ranking None	
	704 WILLIAMS ST								HMID 21706	
	Parcel ID 14474	Type Single-Family House - Bungalow	Year built Ca. 1925	Stylistic influences Craftsman	Alterations Doors replaced	Additions Side addition, Rear addition, Multiple additions	Recommended NRHP designations Recommended non-contributing to a NRHP district	Recommended local designations Recommended non-contributing to a local historic district	Priority ranking Low	
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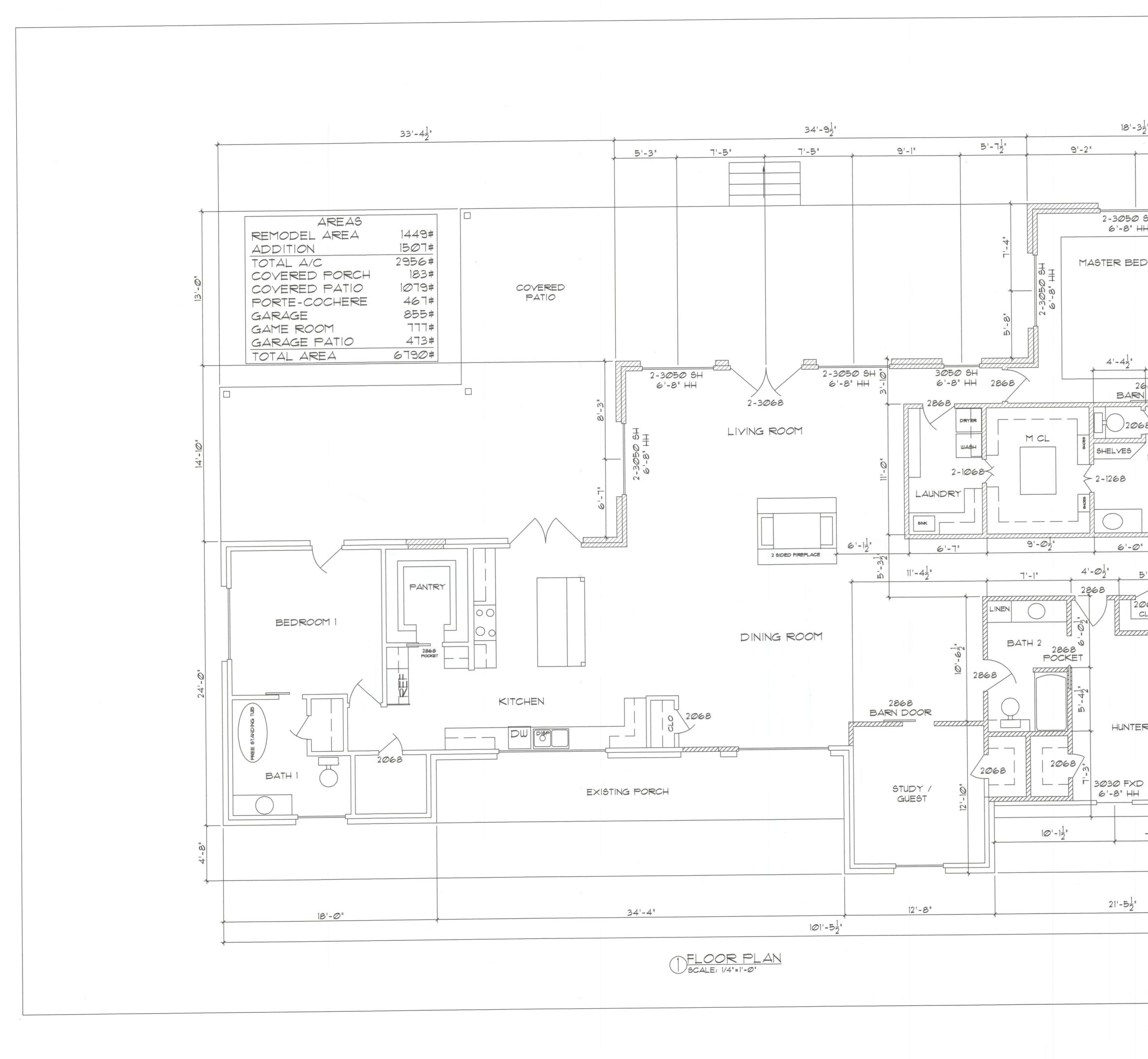






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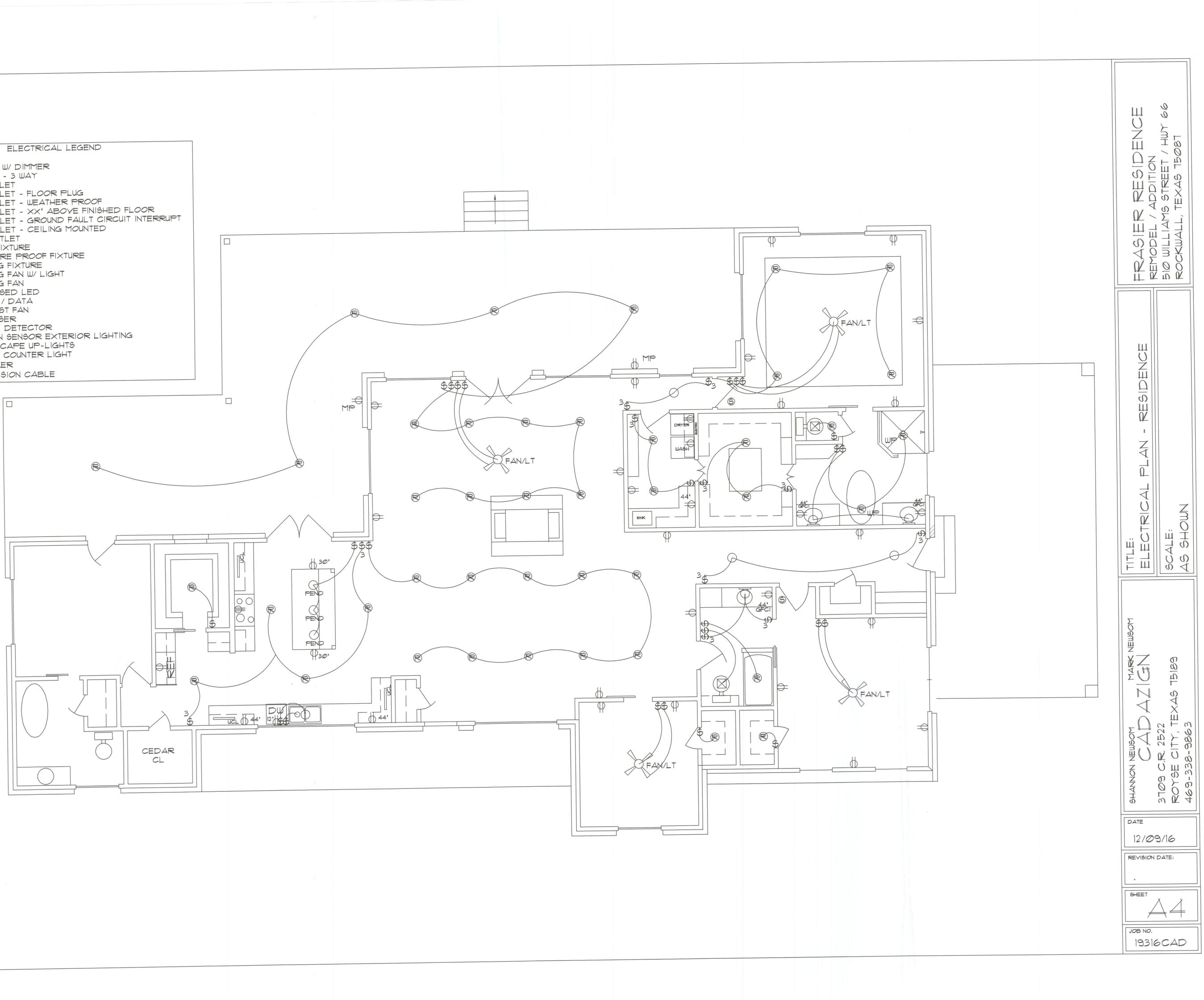
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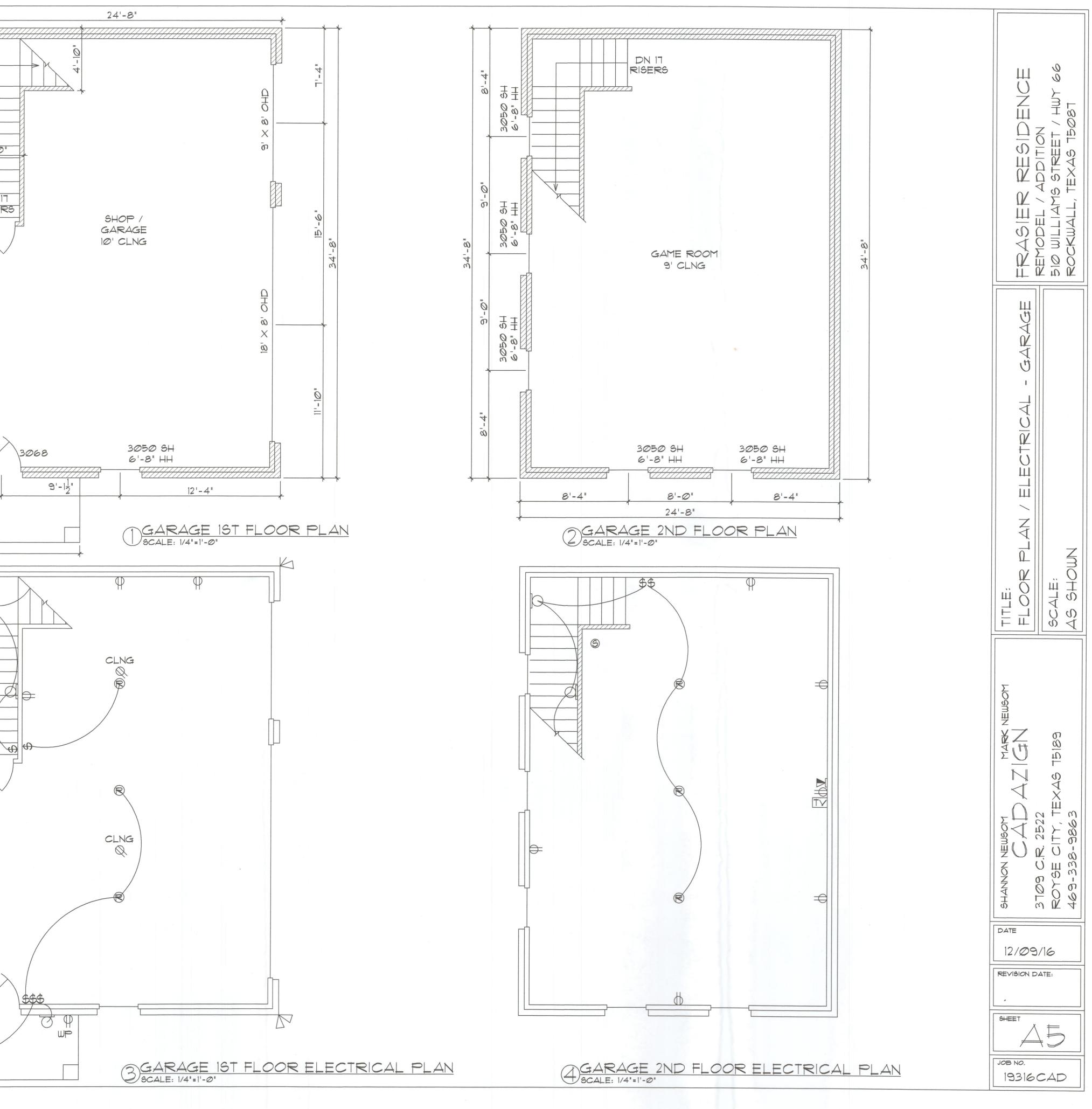
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