# **Memo to the Planning Commission**

HEARING DATE: JUNE 30, 2016 Continued from the June 2, 2016 Hearing 1650 Mission St. Suite 400 San Francisco, CA 94103-2479

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Date: June 9, 2016

Case No.: 2015-003686CUA
Project Address: 437 HOFFMAN AVE

Zoning: RH-2 (Residential-House, Two Family)

40-X Height and Bulk District

*Block/Lot:* 6503/024

Project Sponsor: Hoffman TIC Group

c/o Kelly Condon 443 Joost Avenue

San Francisco, CA 94127

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Recommendation: Approval with Conditions

#### **BACKGROUND**

On June 2, 2016, the Planning Commission continued the proposed project at 437 Hoffman Avenue to April 14, 2016.

#### **CURRENT PROPOSAL**

No changes have been proposed to the plans. The Project Sponsor submitted two additional materials for Commission review (1) Simplified Drawings showing colorized massing and key dimension of the project and (2) research/response to the petition gathered and submitted by a neighbor opposed to the project – Janet Fowler.

#### REQUIRED COMMISSION ACTION

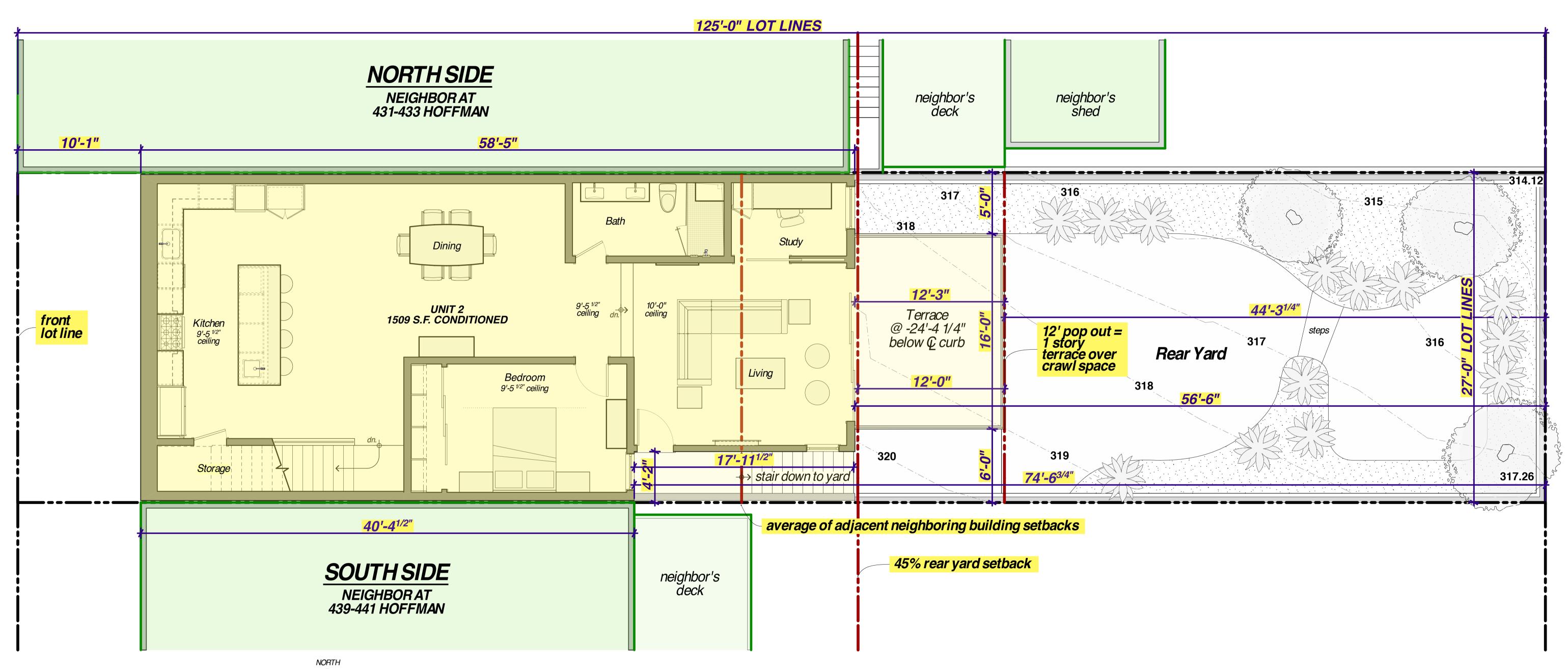
In order for the project to proceed, the Commission must grant Conditional Use Authorization to allow tantamount to demolition of an existing single-family residence for the construction of two replacement dwelling units located at 437 Hoffman Avenue.

RECOMMENDATION: Approval with Conditions

#### **Attachment:**

Simplified Drawings Petitioner Research

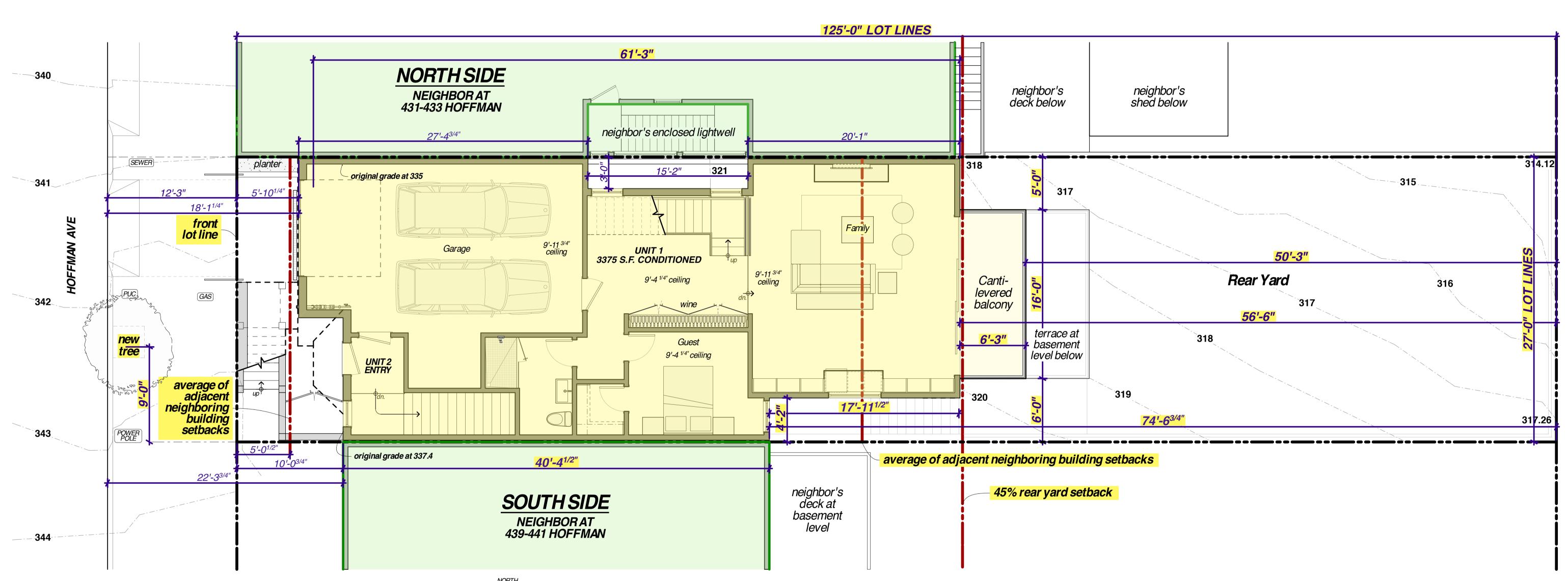




**Proposed Basement Plan** 

ENTIRE BUILDING FOOTPRINT = 1486 s.f. (includes Crawl Space under Terrace)
CONDITIONED SPACE = 1424 s.f. (measured to exterior face of perimeter walls - per SFBC definition of 'Conditioned Space)

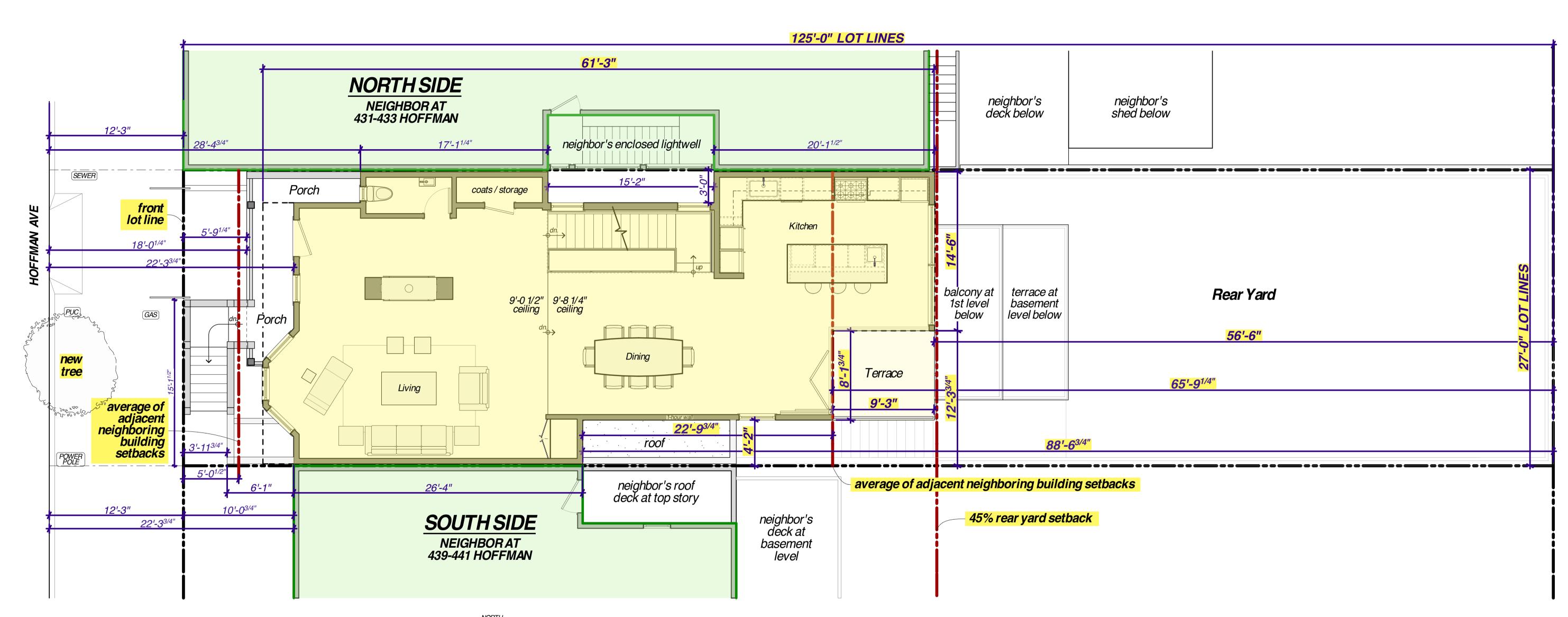




Proposed First Level Plan

ENTIRE BUILDING FOOTPRINT = 1506 s.f. (includes garage, non-conditioned storage & garage door alcove)
CONDITIONED SPACE = 1007 s.f. (measured to exterior face of perimeter walls - per SFBC definition of 'Conditioned Space)

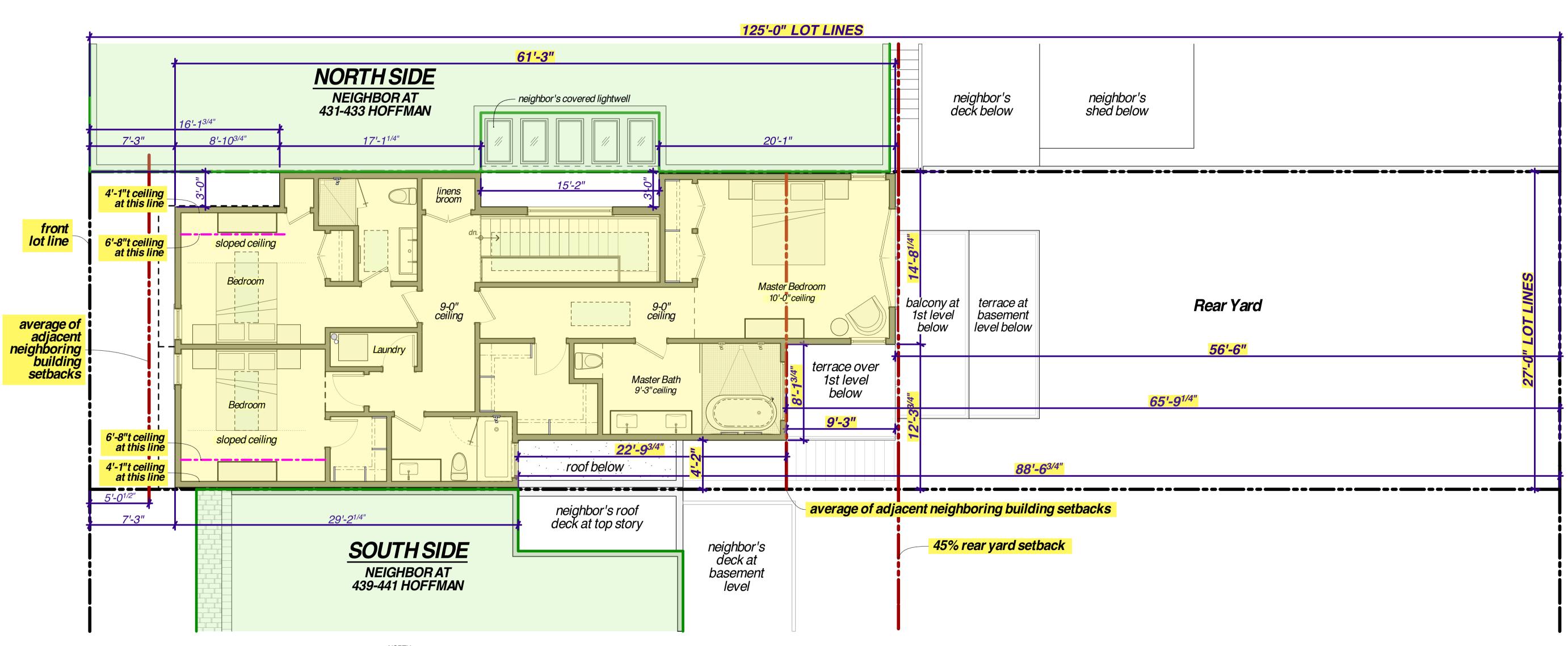




Proposed Second Level Plan

ENTIRE BUILDING FOOTPRINT = 1305 s.f. (does not include front porch)
CONDITIONED SPACE = 1290 s.f. (measured to exterior face of perimeter walls - per SFBC definition of 'Conditioned Space)

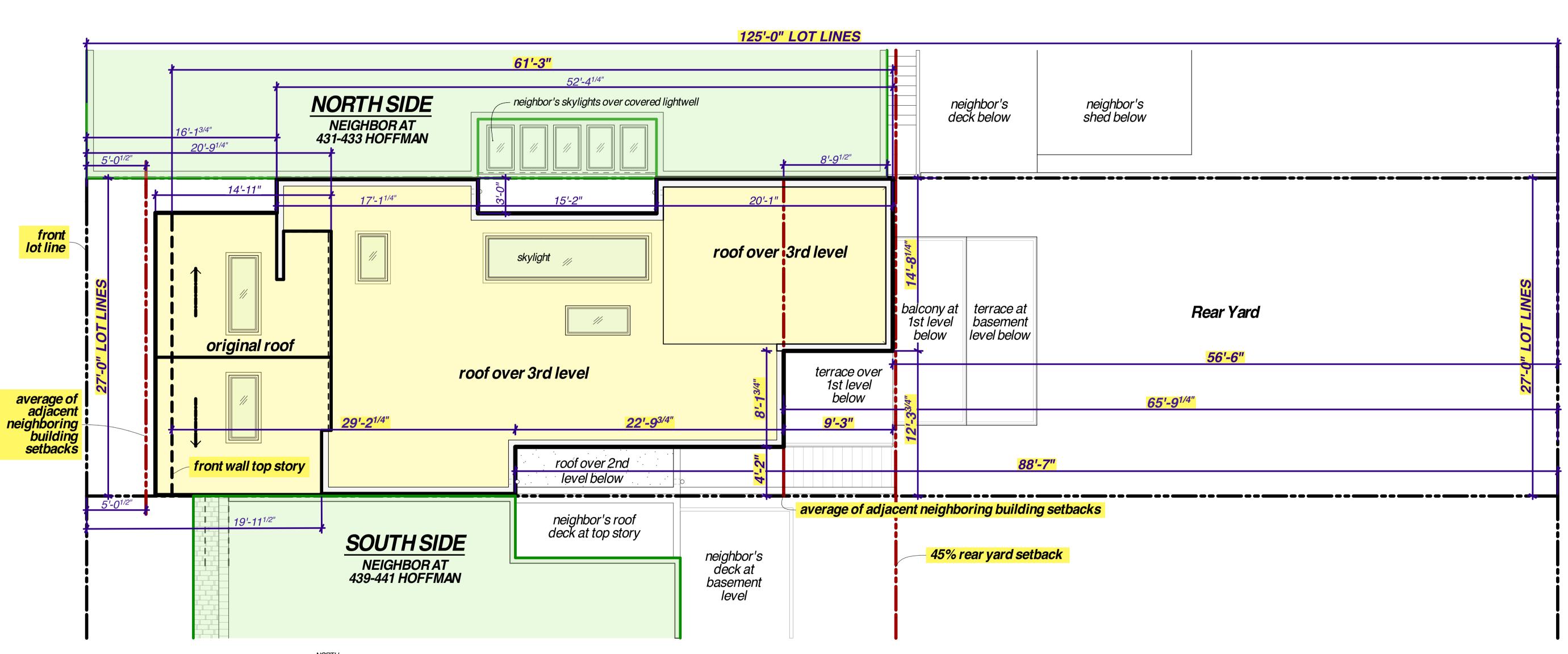




Proposed Third Level Plan

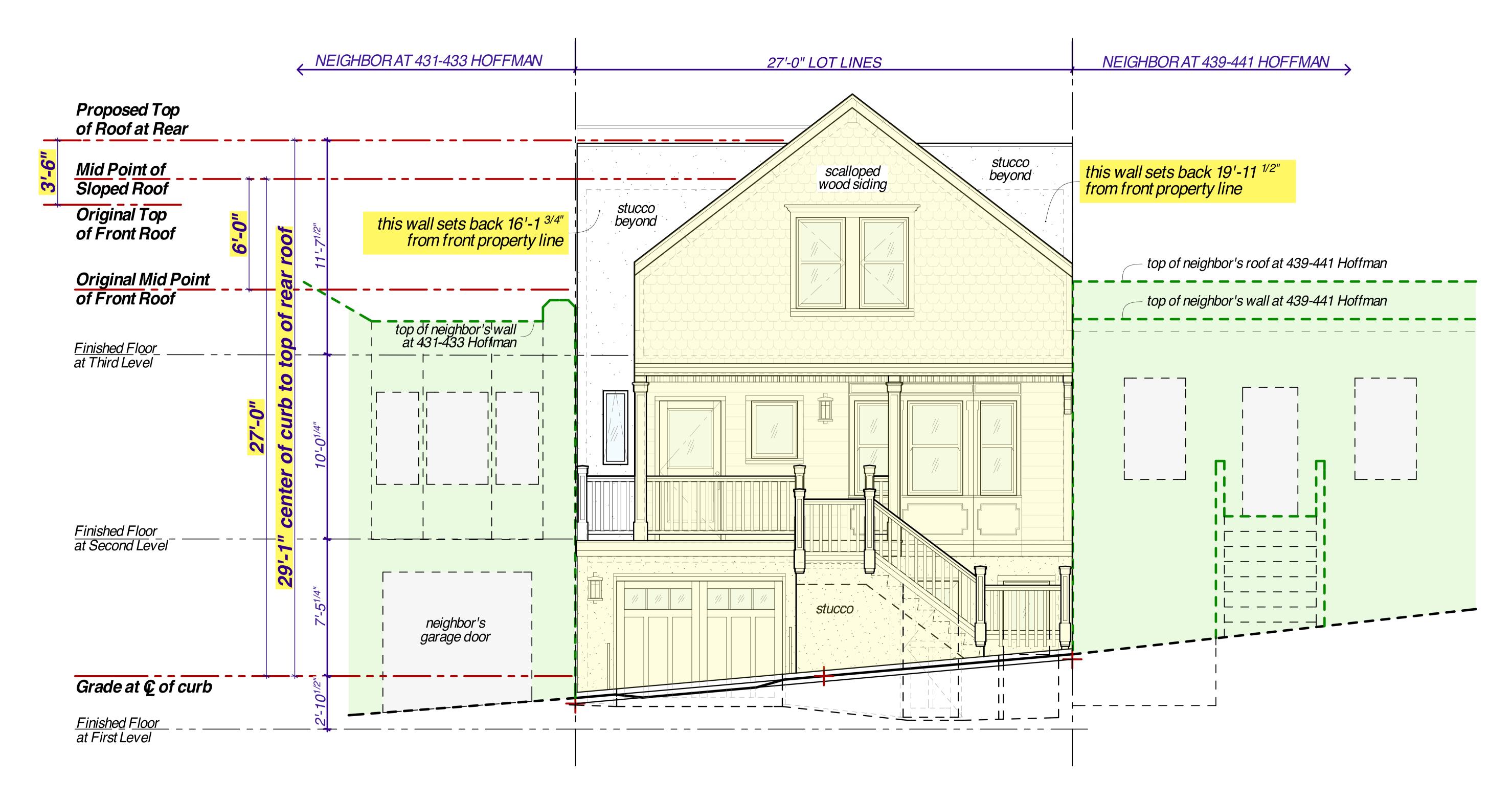
ENTIRE BUILDING FOOTPRINT = 1362 s.f.
CONDITIONED SPACE = 1189 s.f. (measured to exterior face of perimeter walls)



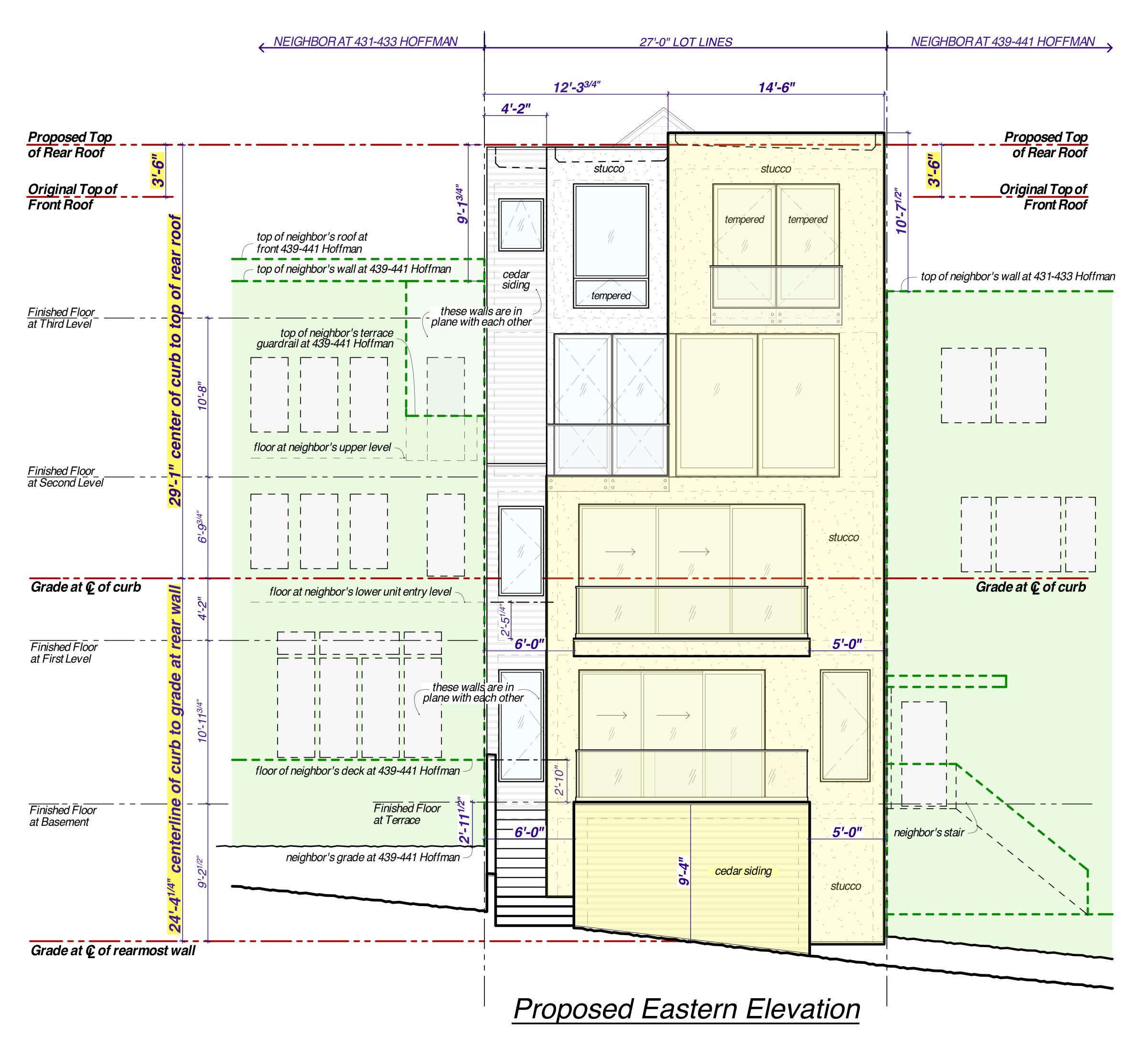


Proposed Roof Plan



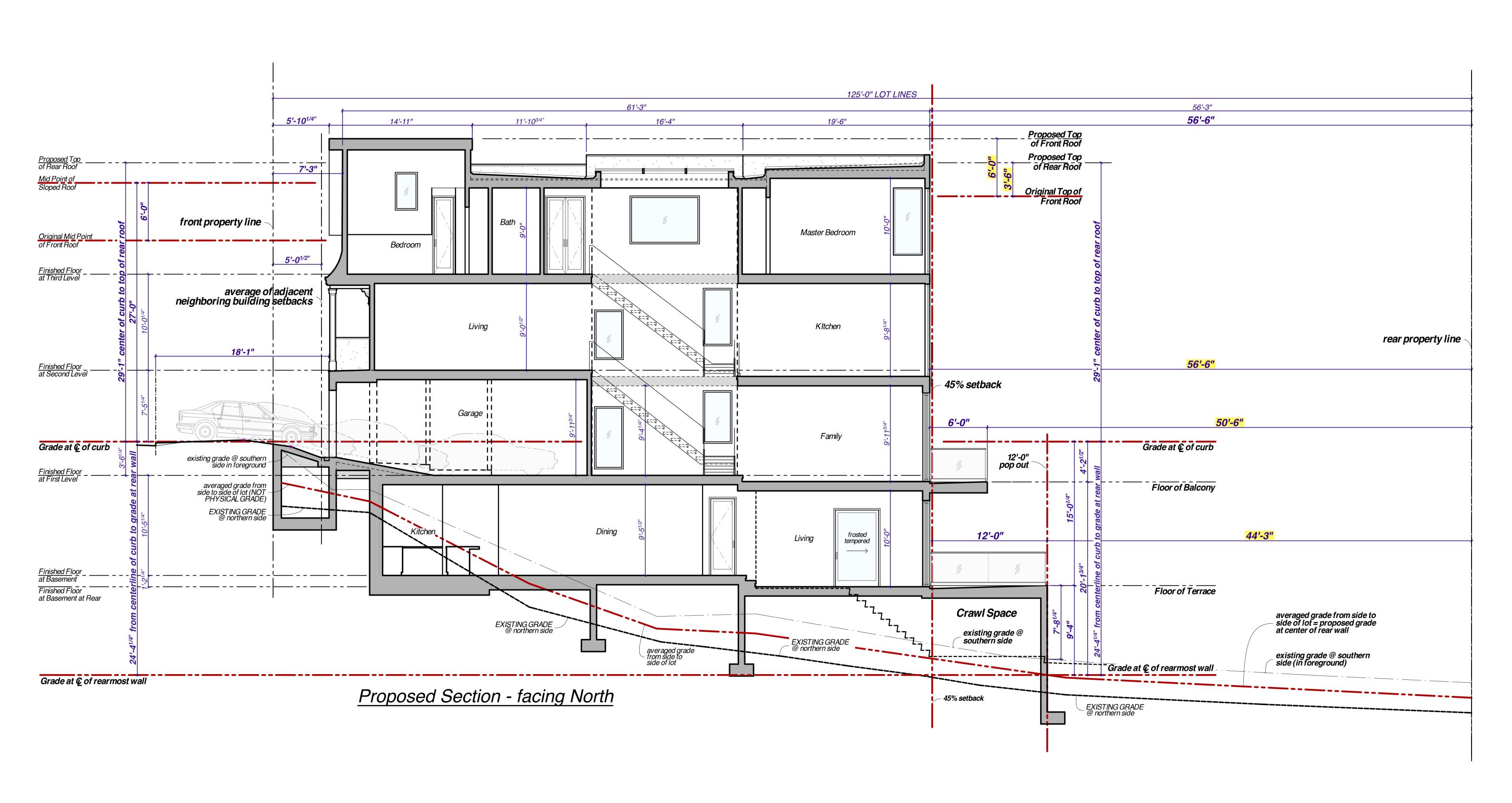


Proposed Western Elevation

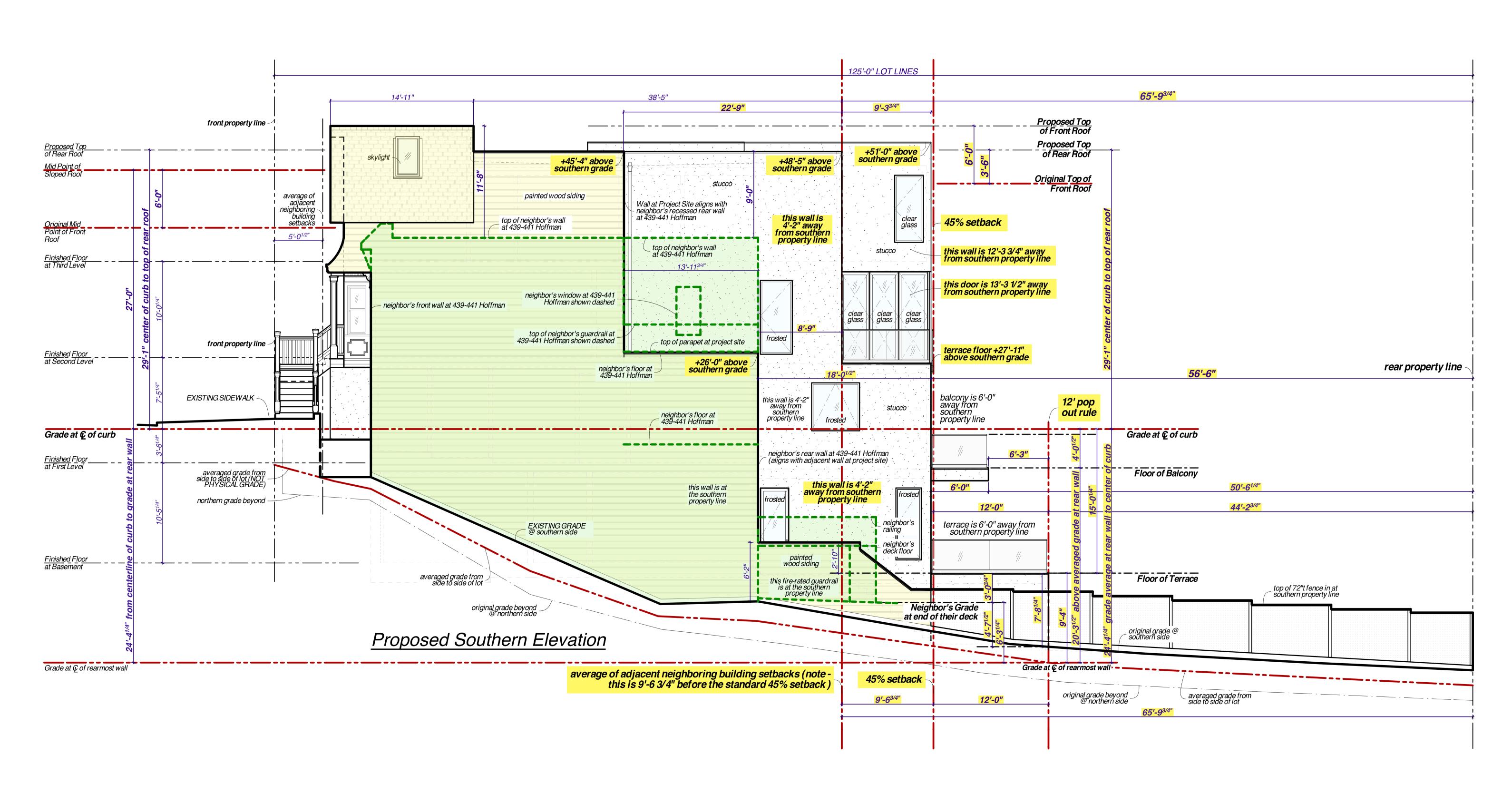




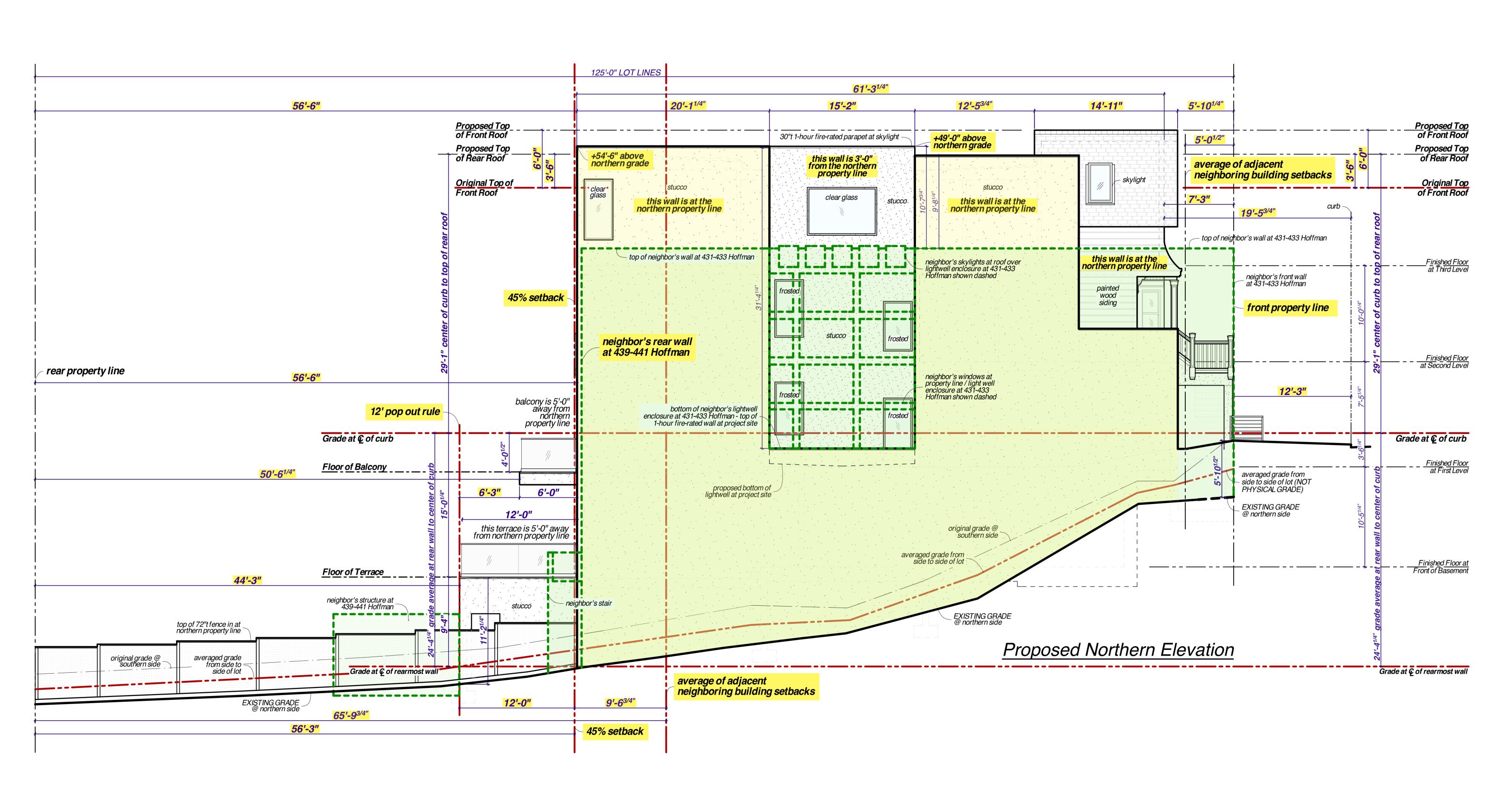












| PETITIONER NAME                     | ADDRESS           | DATE    | NOTE  |  |
|-------------------------------------|-------------------|---------|---|--|
| J. JONAS & BRUCE R. BOWEN           | 4016 20TH ST      | 3/23/16 |   |  |
| ANASTASIA YOVANOPOULAS              | 3718 24TH ST      | 3/23/16 | <u>signed petition twice on the same day.</u> Lives in a 4 story tall building  |  |
| CAROL A. BRUTSCHG                   | 119 VICKSBURG ST  | 3/23/16 | 3 Stories (2 stories over garage) 1 unit  |  |
| RHETT CURRIER                       | 324 CUMBERLAND ST | 3/23/16 |   |  |
| SIDNEY S. HOLLAR                    | 1619 SANCHEZ ST   | 3/23/16 | 3 Stories (2 stories over garage) 2 units   |  |
| GEORGIA SCHUTTISH                   | 460 DUNCAN ST     | 3/23/16 |   |  |
| DEBRA DALE & PHILIP COHEN           | 430 29TH ST       | 3/23/16 | single family - 2 stories over garage with taller rear addition   |  |
| ALICE WEST                          | 4047 CESAR CHAVEZ | 3/23/16 | single family - 4 stories (3 stories over garage)   |  |
| MAYA TARYN & STEVE<br>BOEDEKKER     | 449 CLIPPER ST    | 3/25/16 | they live in single family home that looks like ours<br>but has is 4 stories (3 over garage)  |  |
| RASA MOSS                           | 359 JERSEY ST     | 3/25/16 | 3 unit building (2 stories over garage) - house in rear yard / very little yard   |  |
| NINA SALTMAN                        | 4227 26TH ST      | 3/27/16 | single family - 3 stories (2 stories over garage)   |  |
| JIM MORRELL                         | 308 ELIZABETH ST  | 3/27/16 |   |  |
| CAROL & JOHN BRODERICK              | 367 JERSEY ST     | 3/28/16 | single family - 3 stories (2 over garage)   |  |
| MATTHEW T. MCCABE                   | 1101 DIAMOND ST   | 3/27/16 | single family 3 stories + basement with 2 garages -<br>corner lot - downslope   |  |
| OZZIE ROHM - PROTECT<br>NOE'S CHARM | 471 CLIPPER ST    | 3/29/16 | this house looks very much like the project building but has is 4 stories at front (vs.3) & has 2 separate garages (vs. 1) for which she pulled permits & has a much wider than standard curb cut. has an oversized structure at the rear yard. |  |
| CHARLIE SUTTER                      | 4627 25TH ST      | 3/26/16 |   |  |
| RIKKA LAMPINEN                      | 4637 25TH ST      | 3/26/16 |   |  |
| ALIX ?                              | 443 HOFFMAN AVE   | 3/28/16 |   |  |
| ETHAN RAVAGE                        | 4367 24TH AVE     | 3/27/16 |   |  |
| PATRICIA & VALLY PHILISTA           | 425 HOFFMAN AVE   | 3/27/16 | This is the church 2 doors down. That building is taller than what we are proposing.  |  |
| ERIC LAGANDAON                      | 28 HOMESTEAD      | 3/28/16 | <u>signed petition twice on DIFFERENT days</u> -<br>Lynda Grose's tenant - 3 stories (2 over garage)  |  |
| RUSSELL MCCALL                      | 461 HOFFMAN AVE   | 3/24/16 |   |  |
| CATHERINE M. DOMPE                  | 450 HOLLWAN VI    | 3/24/16 | single family home - 3 Story building (2 stories  |  |
| HORACIO RAMOS                       | 450 HOFFMAN AVE   | 3/29/16 | over garage) across street from us  |  |
| DAVID MEITES                        | 47 WORTH ST       | 3/24/16 |   |  |
| LENORE GERARD                       | 470 HOFFMAN AVE   | 3/27/16 | 3 Story building (2 stories over garage) across street from us  |  |
| ADAM CALMENSON                      | 471 HOFFMAN AVE   | 3/27/16 | modern house - approved in 2013. It has more than what we are trying to do with an even smaller yard. 3 stories (2 over garage). Sold for \$6.7 million in 2015   |  |

## KEY:

YELLOW = LIVES IN A HOUSE THAT IS AS TALL AS THE PROPOSED PROJECT FROM THE STREET

PINK = LIVES IN A HOUSE THAT IS LARGER THAN THE PROPOSED PROJECT FROM THE STREET & IN SOME CASES HOUSES THAT ARE BUILT FAR BEYOND THEIR NEIGHBORING BUILDING SETBACKS AT REAR

ORANGE = RECENTLY APPROVED WITH SAME SCOPE WE ARE PROPOSING (2 ARE ON SAME BLOCK AS US)

| PETITIONER NAME                    | ADDRESS                          | DATE               | NOTE   |  |
|------------------------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------|--|--|
| JUDITH RYDELL                      | 460 HOFFMAN AVE                  | 3/27/16            |  |  |
| JASON ALLEN & MAIA JIN             | 38 HOMESTEAD                     | 3/27/16            | directly behind us & through dense trees - their house extends more than 23'-9" past their shallow depth neighbor on one side & +/-10' past their other neighbor at rear yard - we met with them, measured their house & yard, & gave them drawings repeatedly. They signed this petition knowing it contained false statements  |  |
|                                    |                                  |                    | DR FILER - we met with them, measured their  |  |
| PAUL LEFEBVRE                      | 439 HOFFMAN AVE                  | 3/29/16            | house & yard, & gave them drawings repeatedly.  They signed this petition knowing it contained false statements  |  |
| JANET FOWLER                       | 434 HOFFMAN AVE                  | 3/29/16            | DR FILER - we met with & emailed repeatedly with Janet & gave her drawings repeatedly. She authored & signed this petition knowing it contained false statements & after being told we would add a unit she continued to collect signatures from people saying that we were removing affordable housing & compounding a unit merger that happened in 2008 vs. telling them there would be a unit added |  |
| GENE GIESLER                       | 433A HOFFMAN AVE                 | 3/29/16            | DR FILER - we met with Gene repeatedly & gave him drawings repeatedly. He not only signed this petition knowing it contained false statements but also has submitted a DR filing FULL of wildly false statements for this case   |  |
| JAMES & STEPHANIE<br>BELLVILLE     | 431 HOFFMAN AVE                  | 3/26/16            | tenants of Gene Geisler (DR fiiler)  |  |
| R. HAGEN & H. KRAFFT               | 431 HOFFMAN AVE                  | 4/1/16             | ,  |  |
| MICHAEL KESSLER                    | 60 HOMESTEAD                     | 3/29/16            |  |  |
| FOUZIEYHA TOWGHI & ANJU<br>GURNANI | 24 HOMESTEAD                     | 3/29/16            |  |  |
| URSULA COHEN C. TURNER             | 412 HOFFMAN AVE                  | 3/29/16            | These people live in a 3 unit - 4 story building across the street from the project  |  |
| MARTINE VELKINIERS PETER LAXTON    | 414 HOFFMAN AVE<br>4405 24TH AVE | 3/29/16<br>3/29/16 | , ,  |  |
| KELSY MENEHAN                      | 4377 24TH AVE                    | 3/29/16            |  |  |
| INGRID CARAS                       | 456 HOFFMAN AVE                  | 3/30/16            | 3 stories (2 over garage) with oversized structure in rear yard  |  |
| TODD MARCERO ANNIE ARMSTRONG       | 416 HOFFMAN AVE                  | 3/30/16            | These people live in a 2 unit 4 story building across the street from the project  |  |
| NIEVES CERDAN                      | 474 HOFFMAN AVE                  | 4/3/16             | 3 Story building (2 stories over garage) across street from us   |  |
| AGATHE EVRARD                      | 4394 26TH ST                     | 3/30/16            | 3 stories (2 over 2 garages with 2 driveways) 2 condos - the other unit in this building signed after we'd added the second unit   |  |
| XAVIER GEERY                       | 4394 26TH ST                     | 3/30/16            | modern single family - 3 stories (2 over garage) 4 bedrooms - corner lot - very little yard -roof dec over 3rd story - addition approved in 2006   |  |
| C. BABYOK                          | 4644 25TH ST                     | 3/31/16            |  |  |
| KEVIN CASLAVA                      | 4701 25TH ST                     | 4/4/16             |  |  |

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| SALLY SMITH                | 4378 23RD ST            | 3/29/16 | single family - tall edwardian over garage (as tall as 3 story building next door & downhill   |  |  |
| JIM MCDERMOT               | 498 HOFFMAN AVE         | 3/31/16 | 3 Stories (2 stories over garage) across street from us  |  |  |
| PIERS CORNELIUS            | 465 HOEEMAN AVE         | 3/29/16 | modern house - approved in 2005 after they decided to add a unit. 3 story house on same  |  |  |
| MEGAN WETHERILL            | 465 HOFFMAN AVE 3/29/16 |         | side of the street. Has everything we are trying to do with even less yard. 3 stories (2 over garage)  |  |  |
| HUGH THACHER               | 441 DOUGLASS ST         | 4/2/16  | single family - 3 stories (2 over garage) - MASSIVE addition at rear yard that extends at least 25' beyond neighbors on both sides & leaves very little yard. In 1986 - they applied for a Variance & were denied. In 2014 a 3 story addition was approved |  |  |
| DAN WEBBER                 | 4353 24TH ST            | 4/3/16  | single family home developed with very little rear<br>yard - extends at least 25' past both neighbors on<br>each side - 3 story building (2 over garage)   |  |  |
| ROBERT L. & NANCY L. DAVIS | 413 DOUGLASS            | 4/3/16  | single family home - house with attic over garage (possibly 3 stories at back)   |  |  |
| FRAN & BOB FARISHON        | 398 EUREKA              | 4/3/16  | 3 (very tall) stories over garage, very modern - single family - corner lot - Variance approved in 2000 to split an RH-2 lot, resulting in one lot that does not meet minimum area requirement, and one lot that does not meet rear yard requirement.      |  |  |
| CHRISTINE T ?              | NOE VALLEY              | 4/4/16  |  |  |  |
| KEITH BUNNYMAN             | 21ST ST                 | 4/4/16  |  |  |  |

#### THE FOLLOWING SIGNATURES TIE TO ADDRESSES NOWHEAR NEAR THE PROJECT

| CAITLIN KRACK            | 626 6TH AVE       | 4/1/16  |                             |
|--------------------------|-------------------|---------|-----------------------------|
| SOPHIE KREITMAN          | 2400 GEARY BLVD   | 4/2/16  |                             |
| HUGO CAPOLE              | 88 KEARNY ST      | 4/2/16  |                             |
| DAPHNE DUMOUHER          | 1934 FOLSOM ST    | 4/2/16  |                             |
| BENJAMIN D. MILLER       | 2001 EMBARCADERO  | 4/2/16  | office building             |
| PHILLIPE GALLAND         | 1003 DOLORES      | 4/2/16  |                             |
| CHARLES DE LA COCHETIERE | 2340 SAMARITAN PL | 4/2/16  | this address is in san jose |
| PAUL ?                   | 1148 OAK ST       | 4/2/16  | ·                           |
| STEVE B                  | 45 ROMAIN         | 3/29/16 |                             |

THE FOLLOWING SIGNATURES WERE COLLECTED AFTER THE DR FILERS WERE INFORMED THAT WE WOULD BE ADDING UNIT. THE PETITION CONTINUED TO CONTAIN THE NUMEROUS FALSE STATEMENTS IT HAD ALWAYS CONTAINED (INCORRECT SQUARE FOOTAGE, FALSELY STATED THAT WE WERE REMOVING AFFORDABLE HOUSING, TALKED ABOUT A UNIT MERGER FROM 2008 WITHOUT STATING THAT WE ARE ADDING A UNIT NOW, & SAID THERE WAS A TREE REMOVAL WHEN WE ARE ACTUALLY REPLACING A TREE)

| SUE BAELEN | 315 HOFFMAN AVE | 4/6/16 |   |
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| JANE GUAN  | 443 HOFFMAN AVE | 4/4/16 | someone else at this address signed 3/18/16 |

| PETITIONER NAME                | ADDRESS               | DATE               | NOTE   |  |
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| LINAS & DEBRA CAYWOOD<br>RUKAS | 21 FOUNTAIN ST        | 4/8/16             | single family - 3 stories (2 over garage) - down slope lot one block uphill from us & with an addition that extends WELL beyond their neighbors on both sides (more than 25' beyon their shallower depth neighbor & at least 7' past the other neighboring building - their yard appear to be about 25' x 25'. they are fighting exactly what they have (only we propose less) |  |
| SUSAN RUTBERG                  | 523 ELIZABETH ST      | 4/12/16            | 3 unit building - 3 stories (2 over 2 garages with<br>curb cut at full width of lot) - this building extends<br>12' beyond 45% setback at full height with no side<br>setbacks   |  |
| JERRY & JOAN KOSMACHUK         | 4626 25TH ST          | 4/15/16<br>4/20/16 |  |  |
| GERKA ALDA                     | 1248 MONTGOMERY ST    | 4/15/16            | residence - nowhere near this part of the city   |  |
| HOLLIS SKAIFE                  | 771 ELIZABETH ST      | 4/16/16            | single family, 3 stories (plus attic) 2 stories over<br>garage, this house extends more than 25' beyond<br>one of it's adjacent neighbors  |  |
| MARYBETH WEIDER                | 4609 25TH ST          | 4/19/16            | 3 stories tall at street   |  |
| ELKE AUGUSTINA                 | 4609 25TH ST          | 4/26/16            | 20 2.1   |  |
| K SULLIVAN  AMY SCHEFFLER      | 4156 or 4158 25TH ST? |                    | illegible  |  |
| PETER GERSHATSLAY              | 17 HOFFMAN AVE        | 4/26/16            | 2 unit building - 3 stories at street face   |  |
| JOHN ODELL                     | 115 HOFFMAN AVE       | 4/28/16            | single family - 3 stories (2 over garage) full story<br>taller than neighbors on both sides & extends at<br>least 10' past neighbors on both sides at rear yard<br>(ie. they have MORE than what we propose)   |  |
| CHRISTINA RODRIGUEZ            | 130 ALEXANDER         | 4/29/16            | this house is not in SF  |  |
| ELIZABETH F McKEOWN            | 734 GRAND VIEW AVE    | 4/29/16            | 2 unit building - 3 stories (2 over 2 garages with a curb cut = to entire width of lot) almost 2 stories taller than their own adjacent neighbor   |  |
| CHARLOTTE HATCH                | 4521 20TH ST          | 5/2/16             | 5 story - SINGLE FAMILY - more than 2 stories taller than their downhill neighbor  |  |
| ANTHONY DOUGHERTY              | 1139 DOLORES ST       | 5/2/16             | this is nowhere near the property - but it's also a building that extends well past a shallower depth neighbor (though it is also next to a building with no yard)   |  |
| JOHN VANCE                     | 4601 25TH ST #3       | 5/8/16             | 7 unit building - 4 stories with 5 carports - built in 1972  |  |
| EILEEN GLUTZER                 | 63 HOMESTEAD          | 5/12/16            |  |  |
| KERRY KELLY                    | 676 CLIPPER           | 5/14/16            | 2 condos at the top of the hill across from a large, empty, steep & city owned lot - 3 stories tall - built  |  |
| JULIE CHERRINGTON              | 5/14/16               |                    | in 1999  |  |
| E. VASQUEZ                     | 4281 23RD ST          | 5/14/16            | 2 condos - 3 stories - almost no rear yard   |  |
| MOSS                           | 359 JERSEY            | 5/20/16            | 3 unit building 2 stories over garage - house in rear yard / very little yard  |  |
| E ?                            | 370 BARTLETT          | 5/21/16            | this is nowhere near the subject property - that said - 3 stories tall - 4 units no yard (ie. no open space for the units & uses yard as a parking loaccessed off a rear alley)  |  |

From: Kelly Condon <kellymcondon@gmail.com>

**Sent:** Monday, June 20, 2016 3:02:20 AM

**To:** Tran, Nancy (CPC)

**Subject:** 437 Hoffman - Revision per request from Antonini

### Nancy -

I spoke with Mike Antonini on Friday & he asked me to create a version of the building that has a 3' recess on the the north side of the top story & to switch to a peaked roof for the duration of the addition.

I built a 3D model of what that would look like & re-rendered all the sun studies to show the impacts of the change.

I believe the deadline to submit to commissioners is today (Monday) so I worked through the weekend & am sending this out very early Monday morning.

I realize that this wont have made it to the neighbors or to the other commissioners (I only sent it to Antonini - per his request).

I'm just hoping that having it at the hearing will save some back & forth between this hearing & whatever happens next.

Here is a link to the new sun studies - showing the model of the revised design: <a href="http://www.mediafire.com/?oe40mxgacsjgs">http://www.mediafire.com/?oe40mxgacsjgs</a>

These are side by side comparisons of the existing building, the version sent out for 311 (what the hearing is based on), and the version we discussed with a 3' recess at the northern side & a peaked roof over the entire addition.

I rendered from sunrise to sunset for one day out of each month of the year. I've also included a single page file called 'Sun Study Results' that simply states the points of comparison between each version.

Let me know if you have any questions.

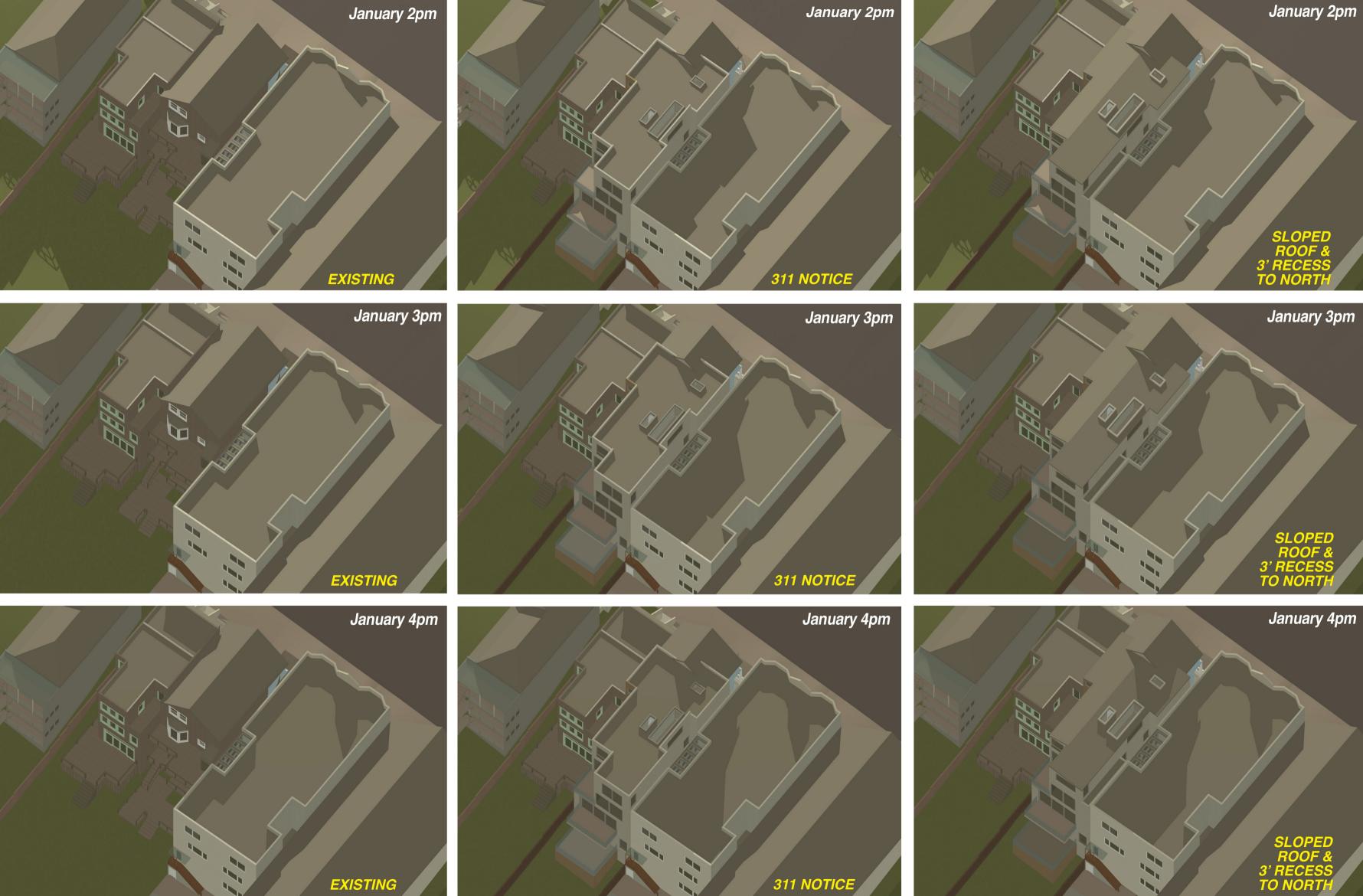
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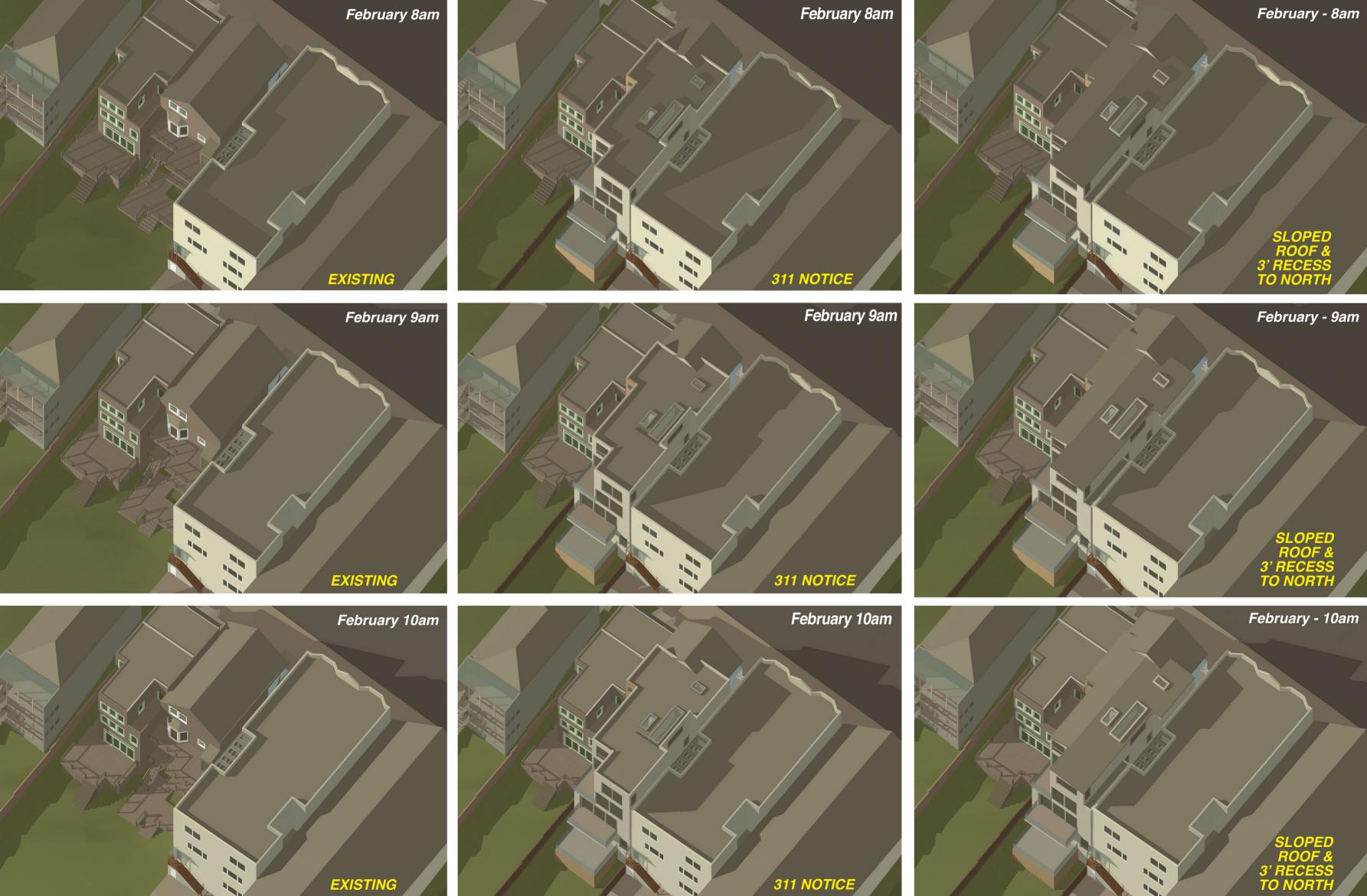
# **SUN STUDY EVALUATION**

| MONTH     | HOURS OF DIRECT<br>SUNLIGHT EXISTING AT<br>NORTHERN NEIGHBOR'S<br>LIGHTWELL | HOURS OF DIRECT<br>SUNLIGHT TO LIGHTWELL<br>PER 311 NOTICE | HOURS OF DIRECT<br>SUNLIGHT TO LIGHTWELL<br>WITH SLOPED ROOFS & 3'<br>RECESS AT NORTH SIDE |
|-----------|---|--|--|
| JANUARY   | 8AM - 1:30PM  | NONE   | NONE   |
| FEBRUARY  | 8:30AM - 4:30PM   | NONE   | NONE   |
| MARCH     | 7AM - 5:30PM  | NONE   | VERY SMALL AMOUNT OF<br>LIGHT FROM 2PM-4PM   |
| APRIL     | 7AM - 5:30PM  | 7AM - 5PM  | MORE LIGHT FROM 8AM-<br>4PM  |
| MAY       | 7AM - 5:30PM  | 7AM - 5:30PM   | MORE LIGHT FROM 9AM-<br>11AM   |
| JUNE      | 7AM - 5:30PM  | 7AM - 5:30PM   | MORE LIGHT FROM 10AM-<br>11AM  |
| JULY      | 7AM - 5:30PM  | 7AM - 5:30PM   | MORE LIGHT FROM 9AM-<br>3PM  |
| AUGUST    | 7AM - 5:30PM  | 7AM - 5:30PM   | MORE LIGHT FROM 8AM-<br>4PM  |
| SEPTEMBER | 7AM - 5:30PM  | 4:30PM - 5:30PM  | MORE LIGHT FROM 8AM-<br>4PM  |
| OCTOBER   | 7AM - 3:30PM  | NONE   | NONE   |
| NOVEMBER  | 8AM - 2:30PM  | NONE   | NONE   |
| DECEMBER  | 8AM - 1:30PM  | NONE   | NONE   |





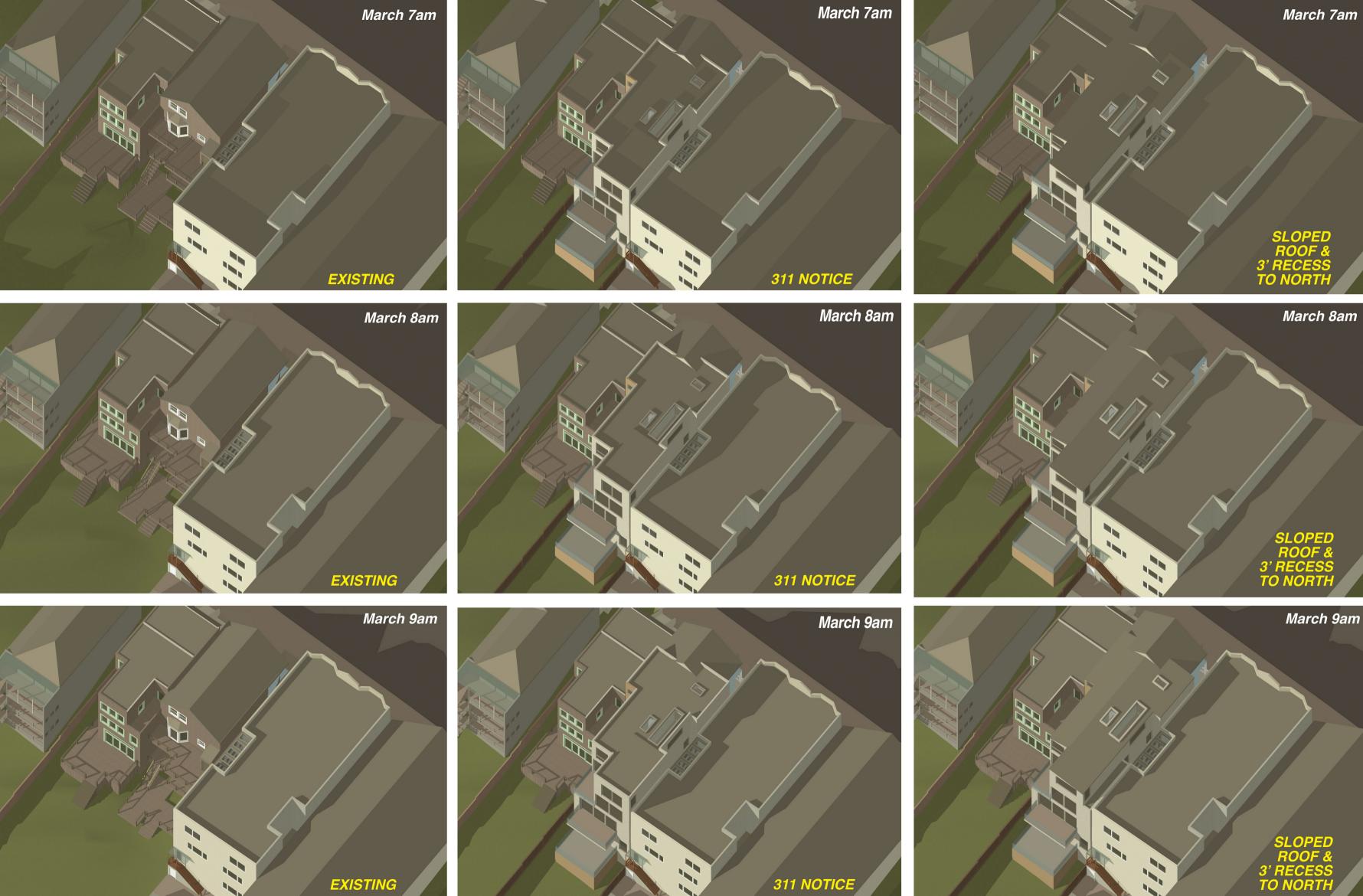








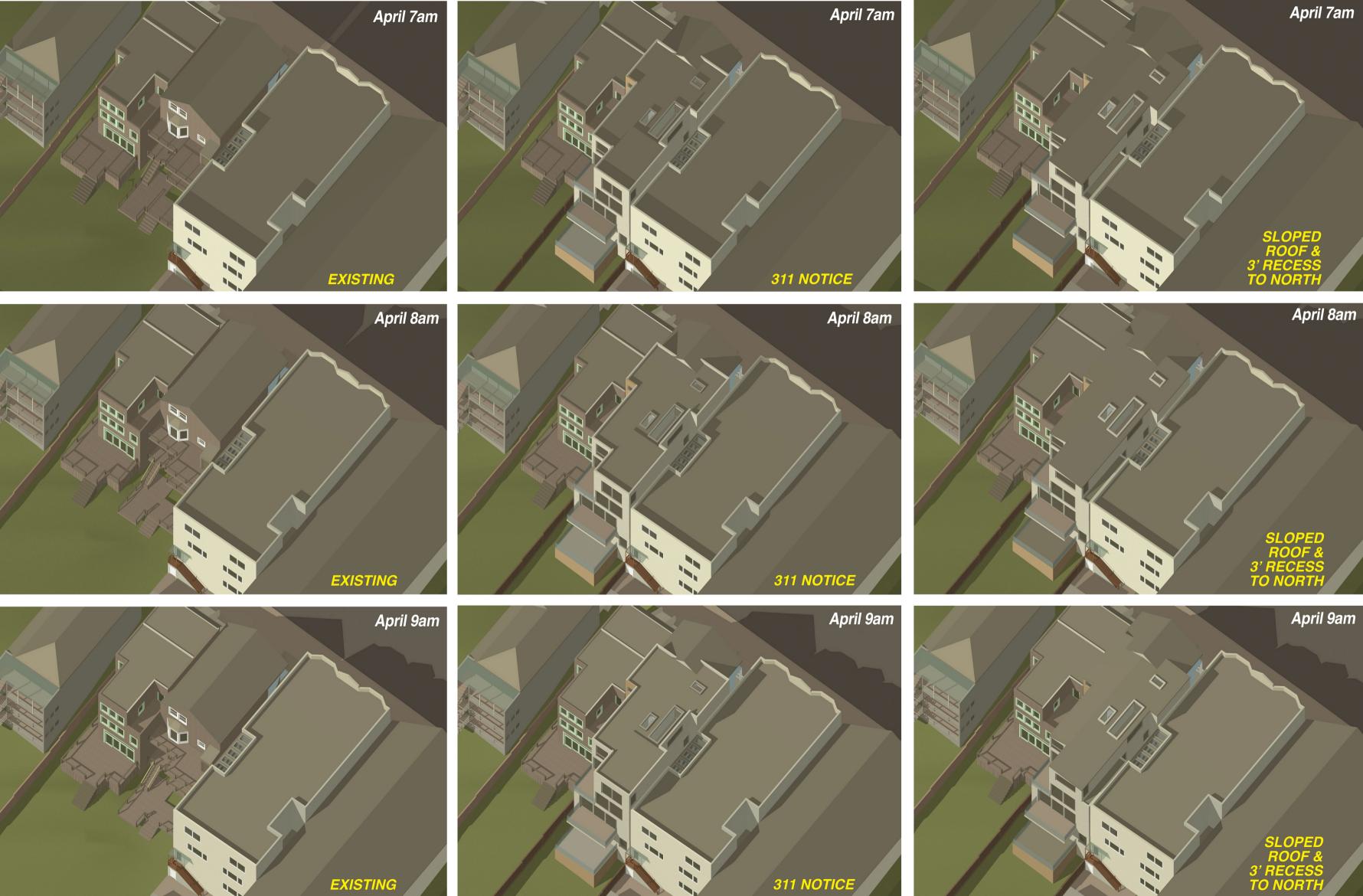


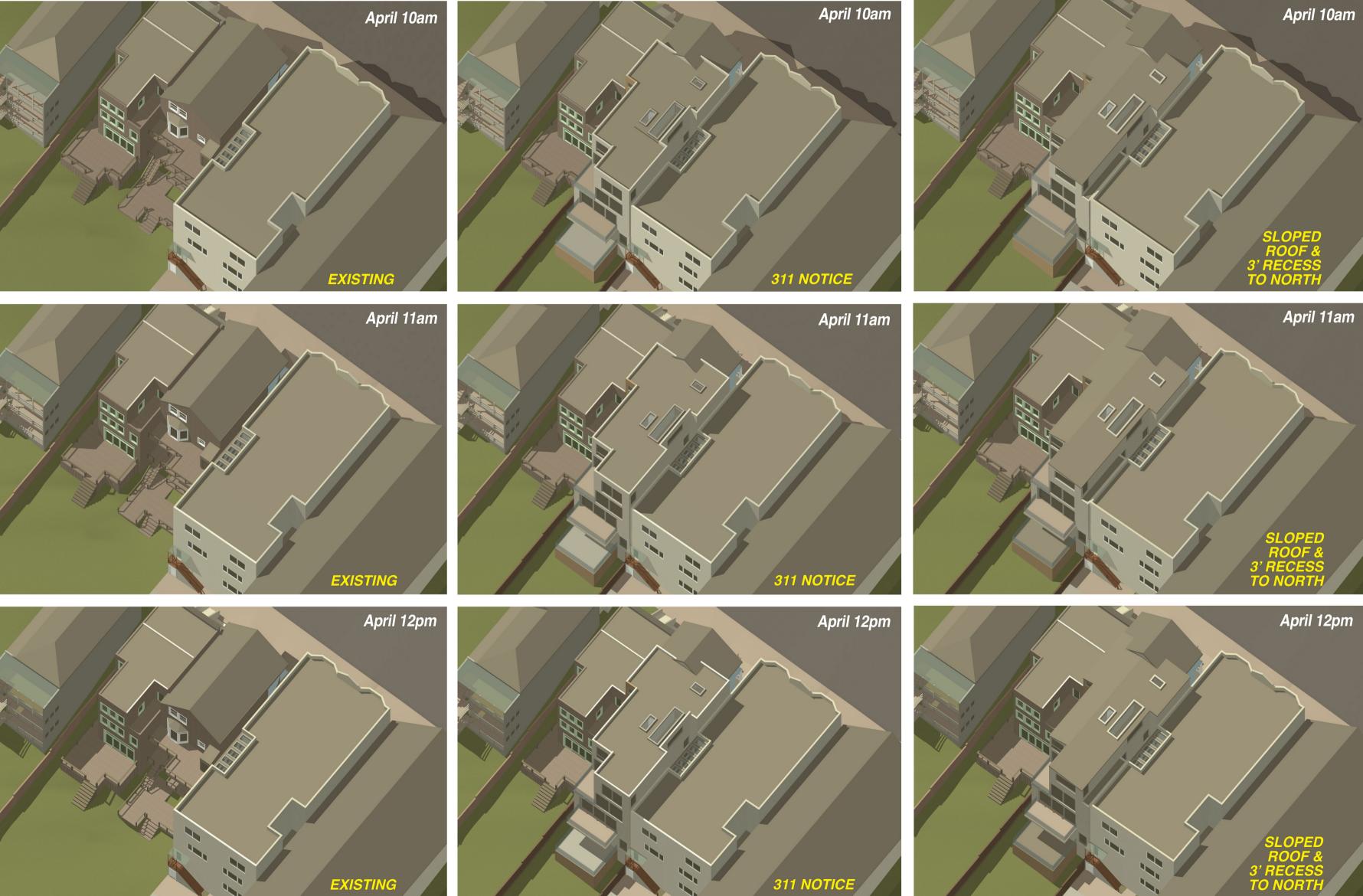


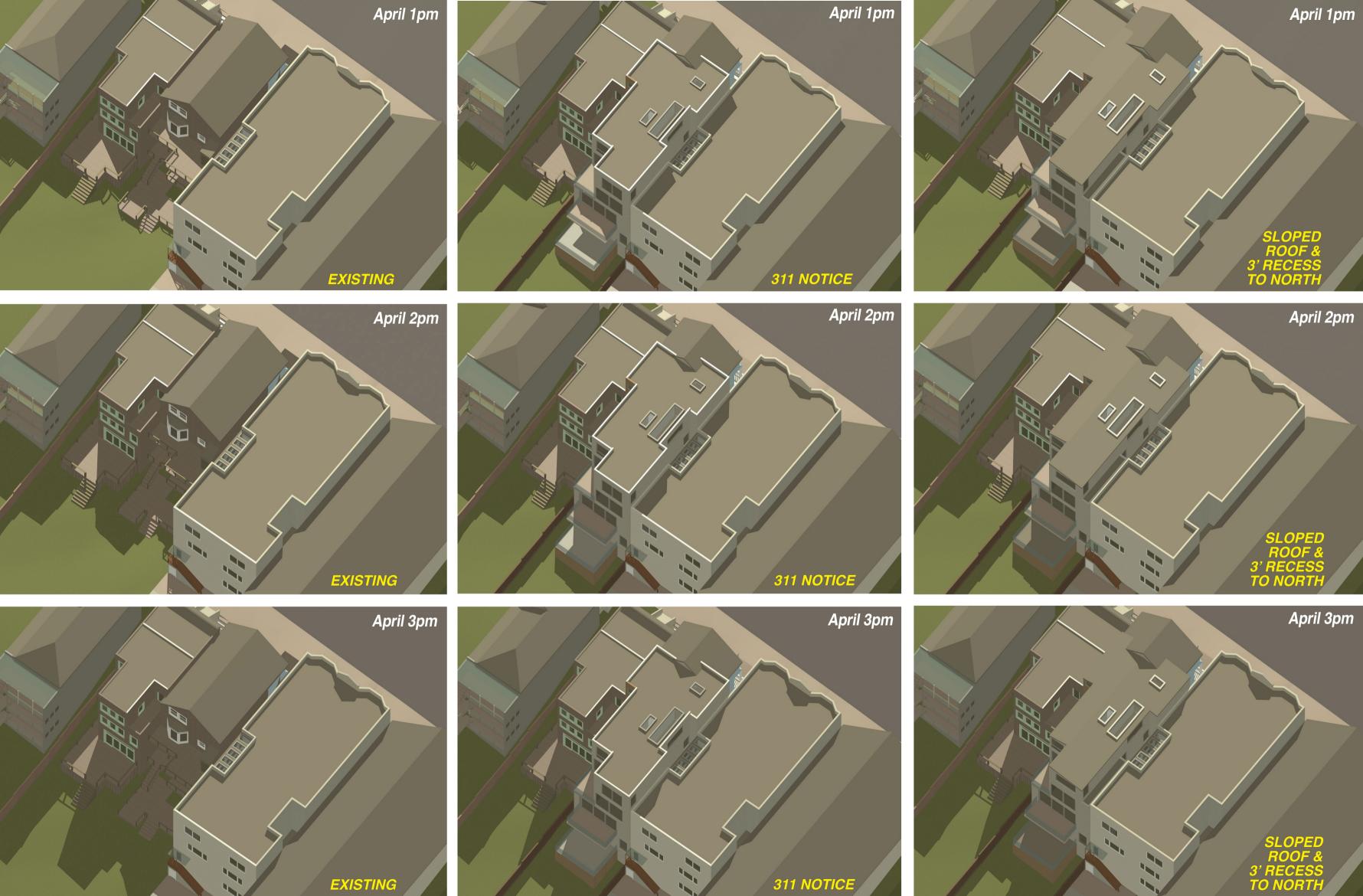


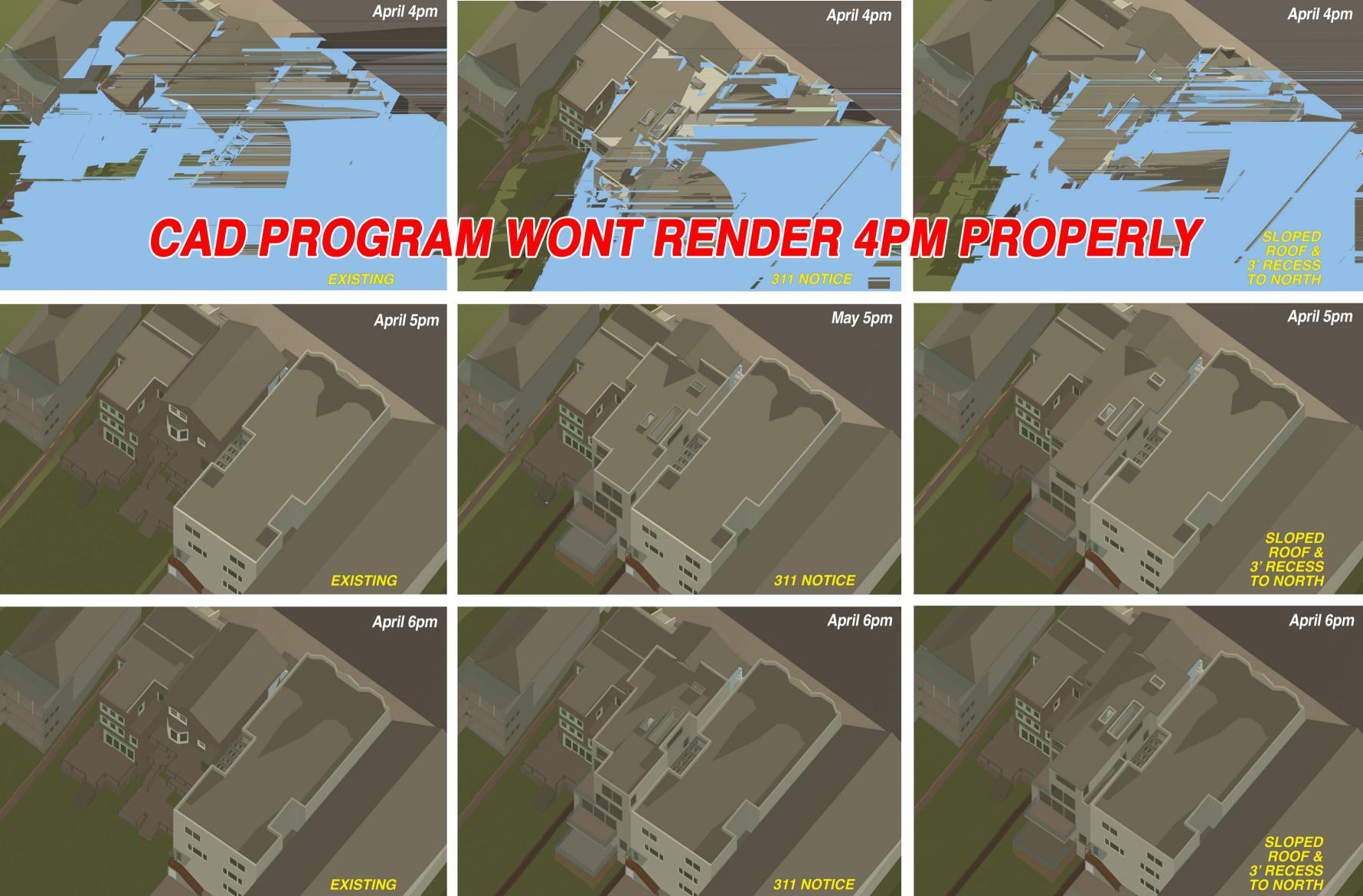


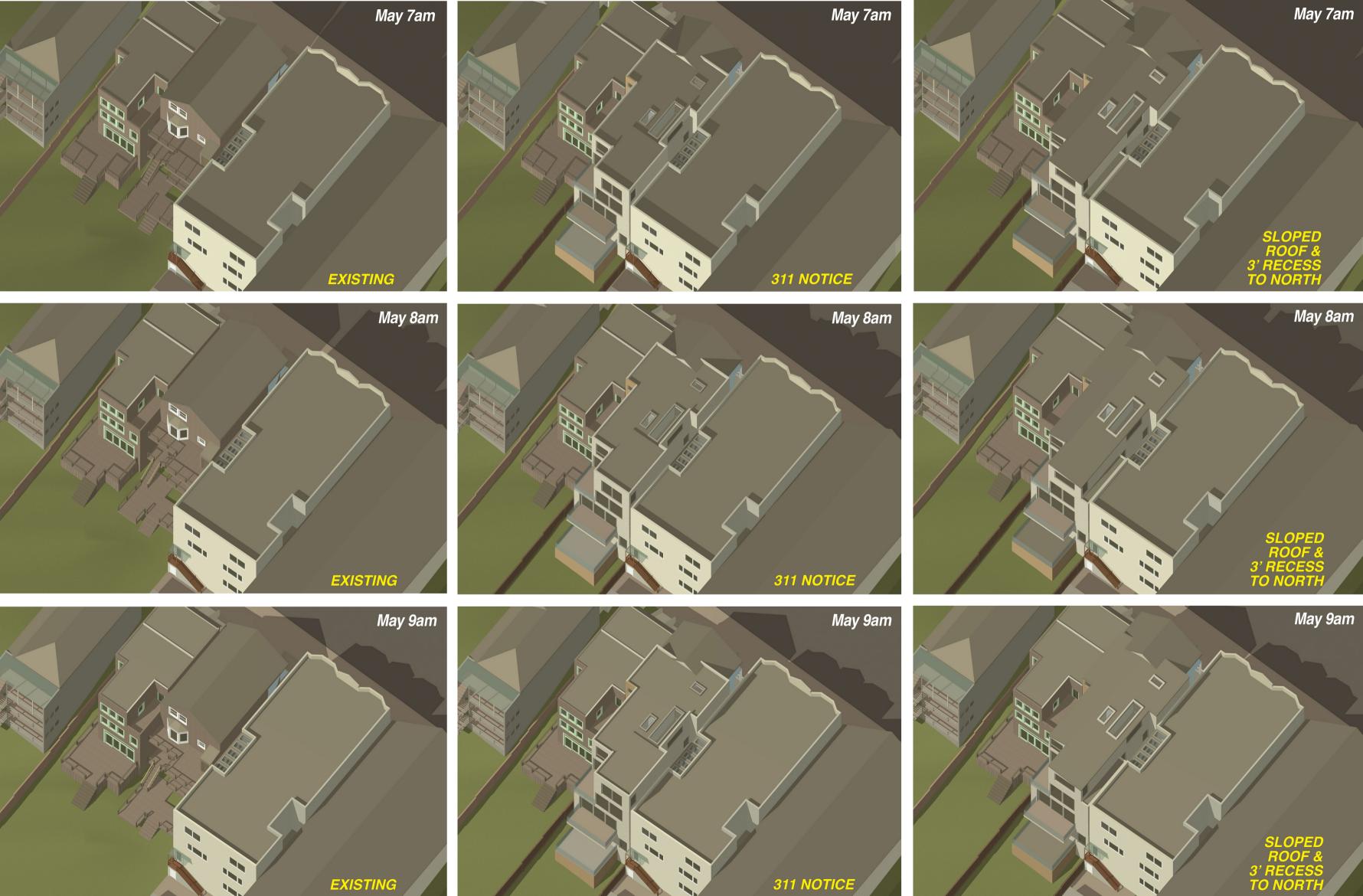


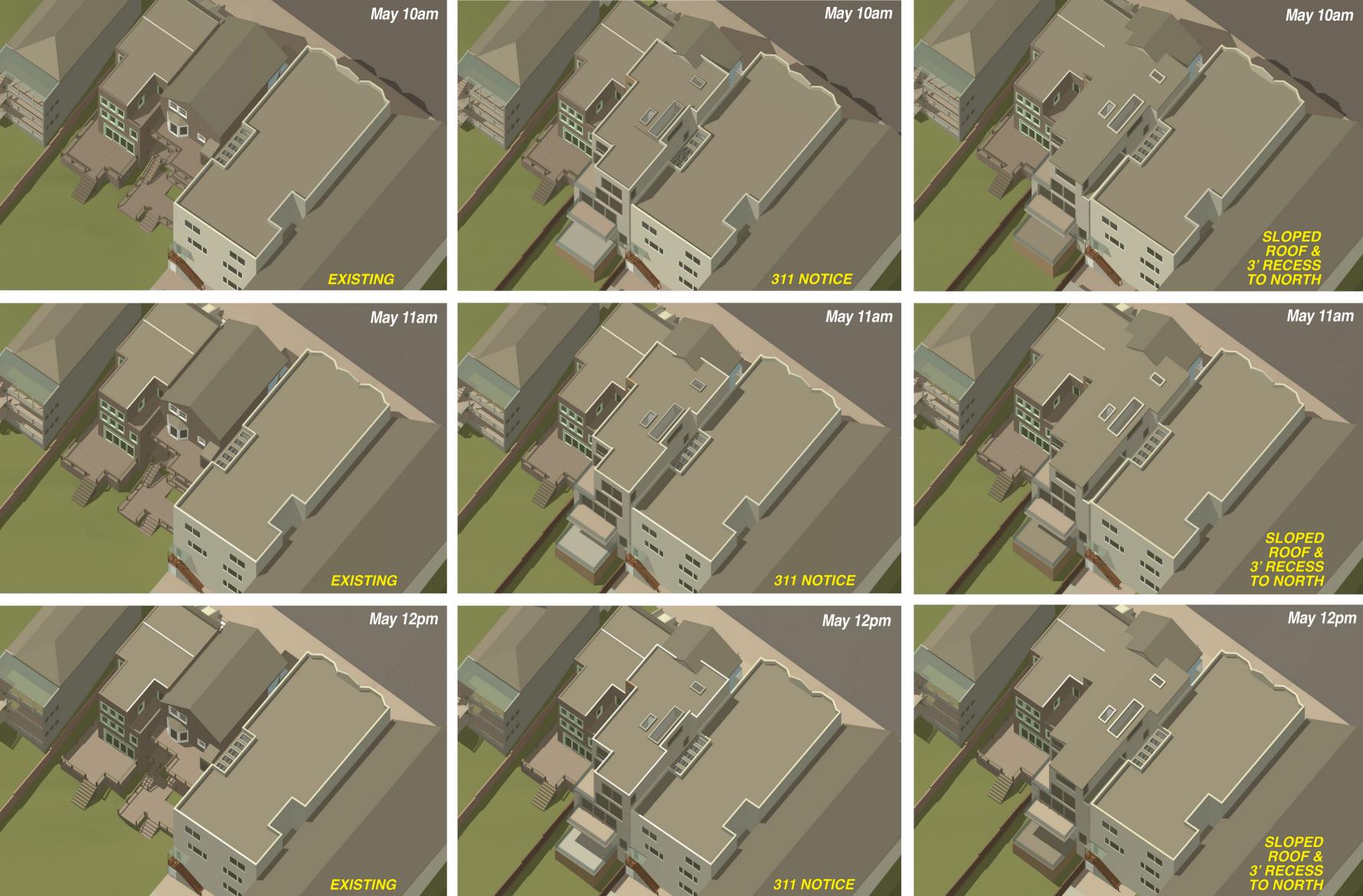


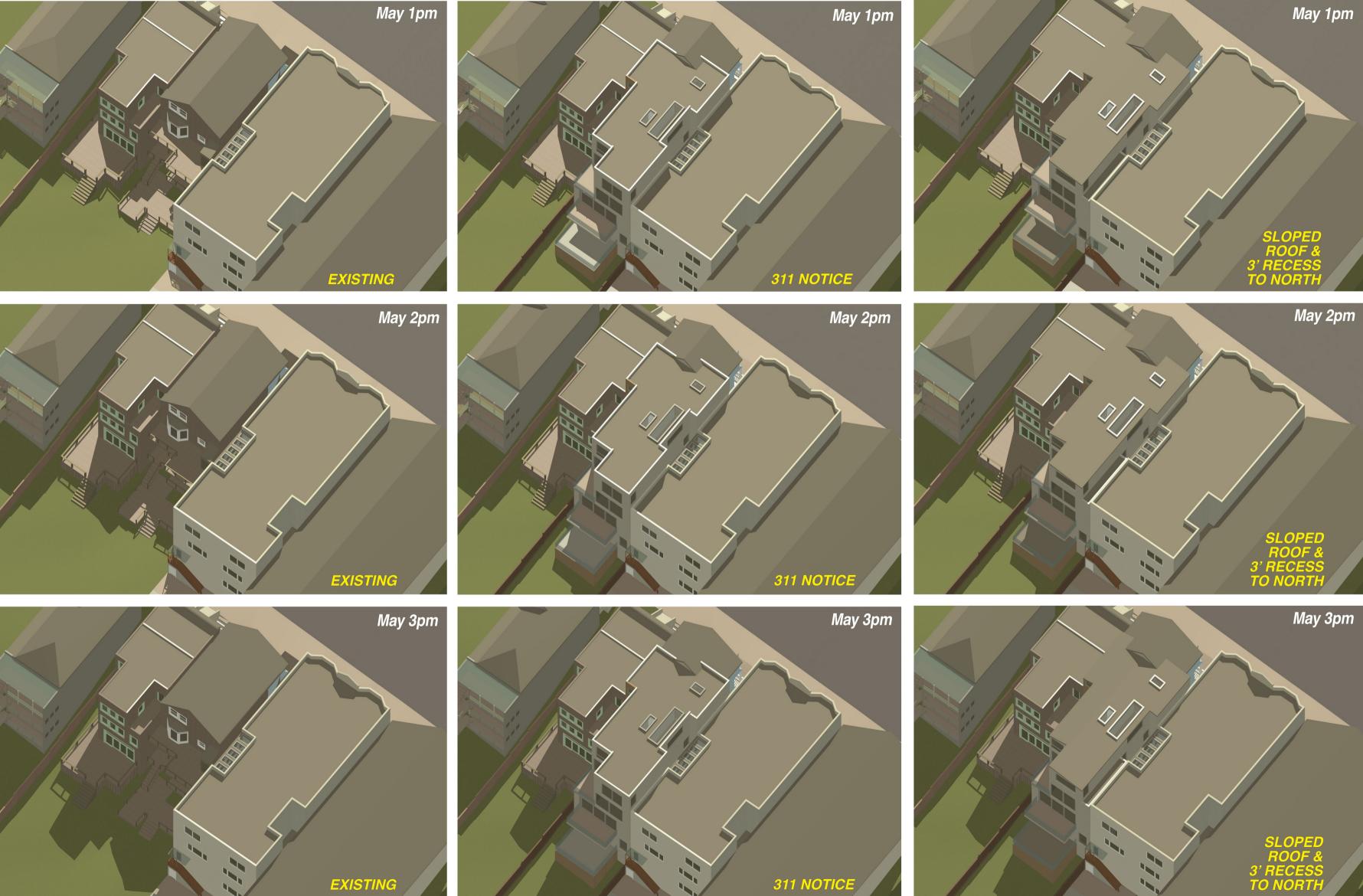


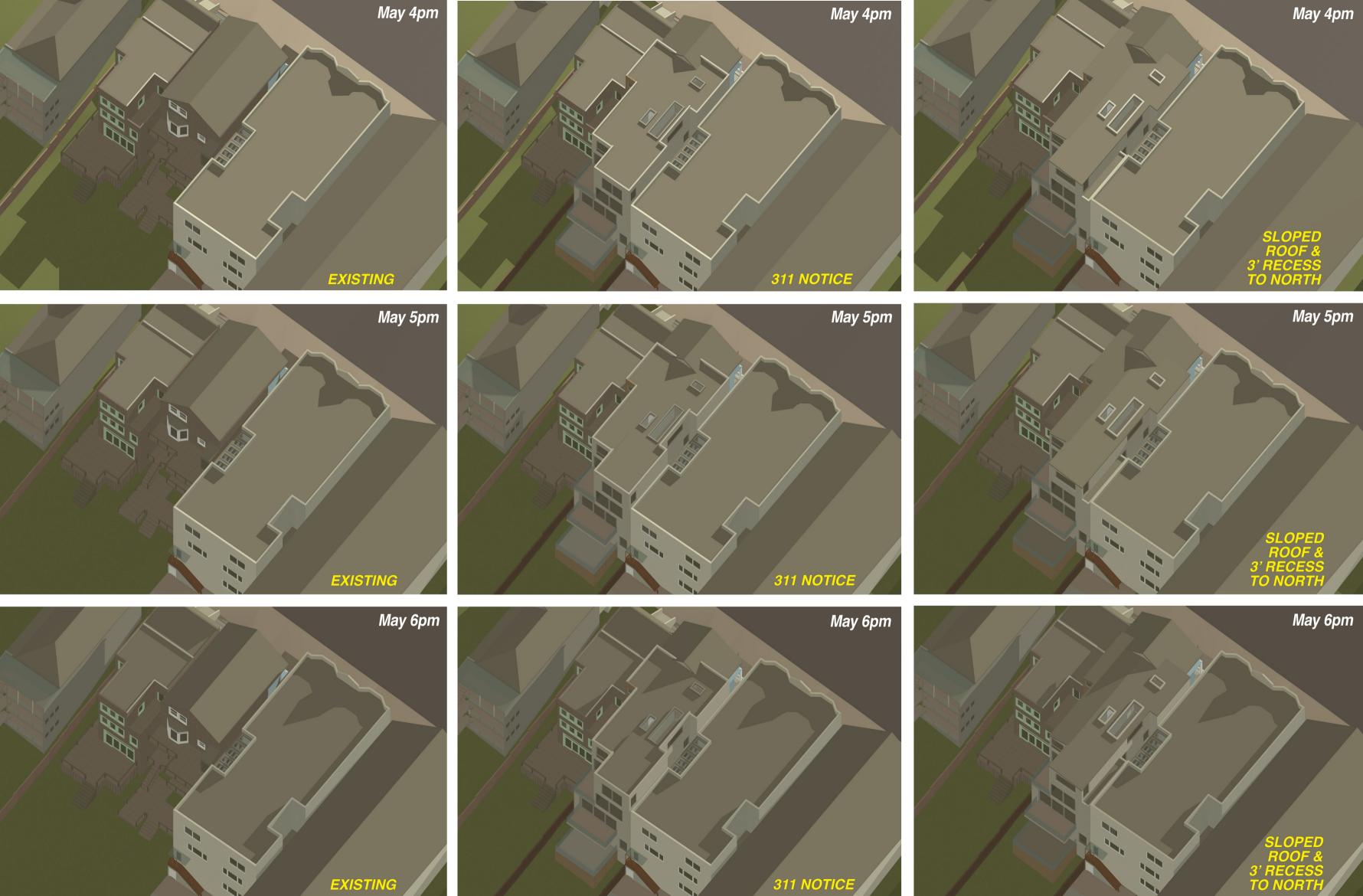


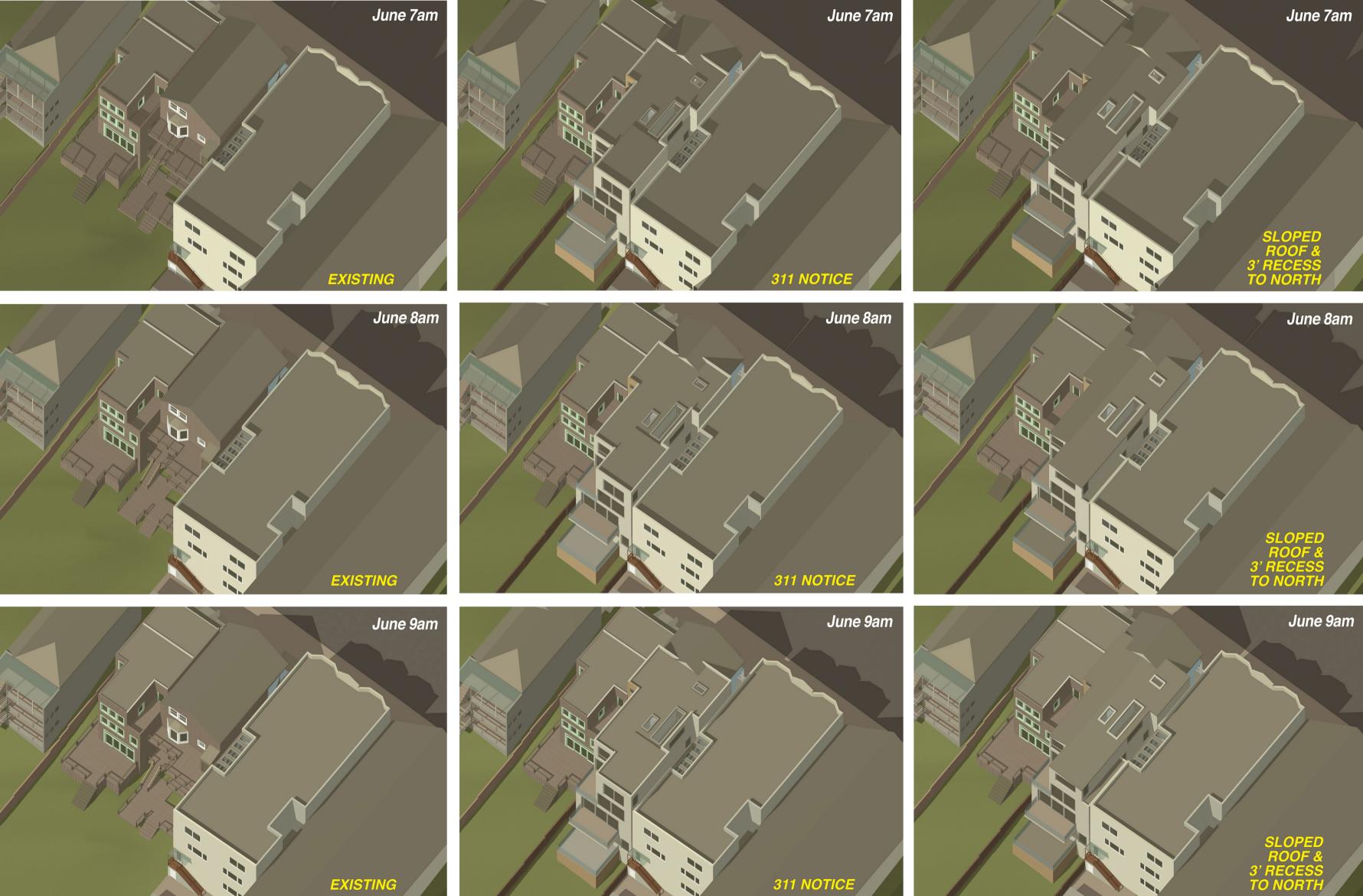


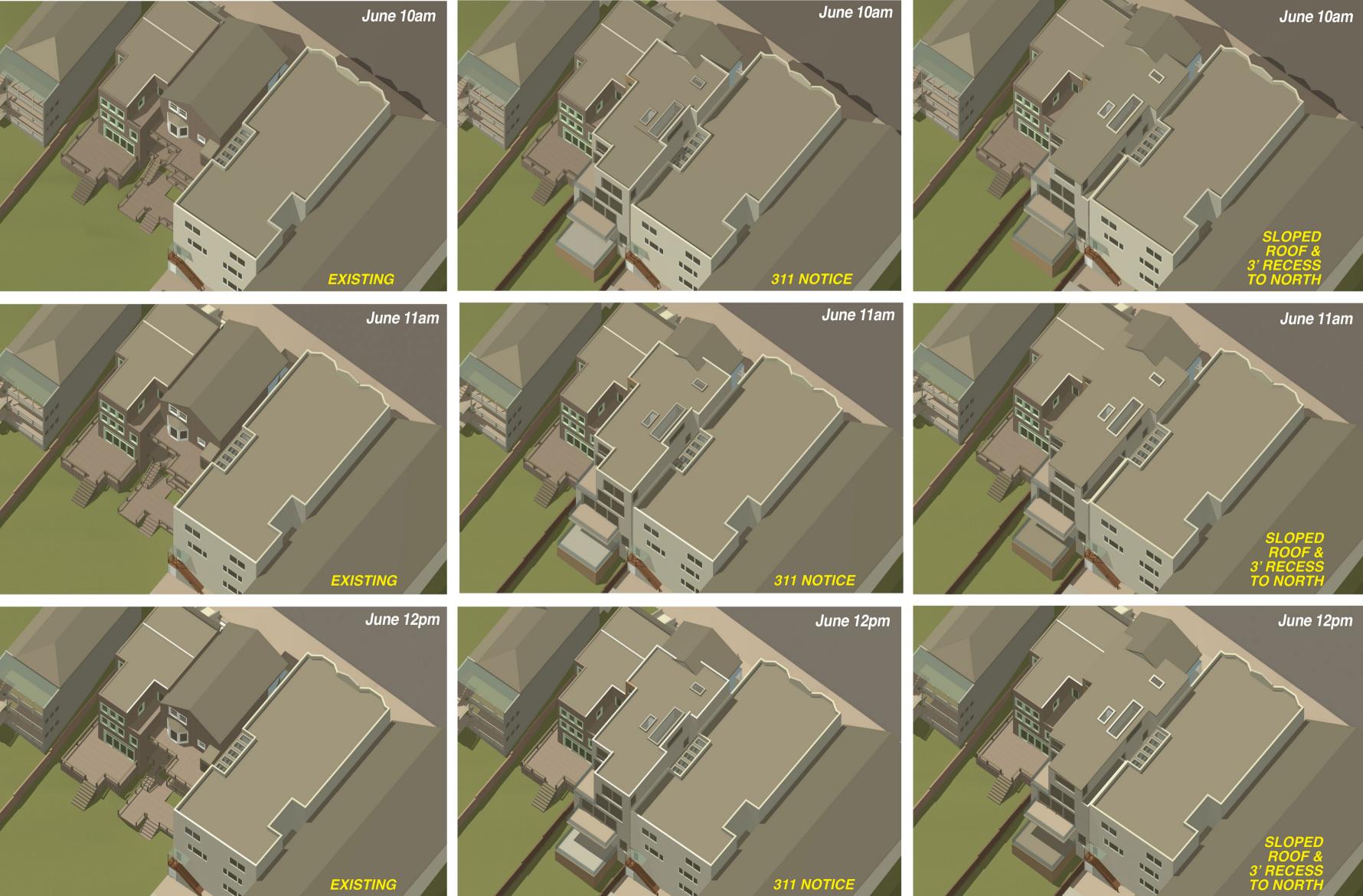


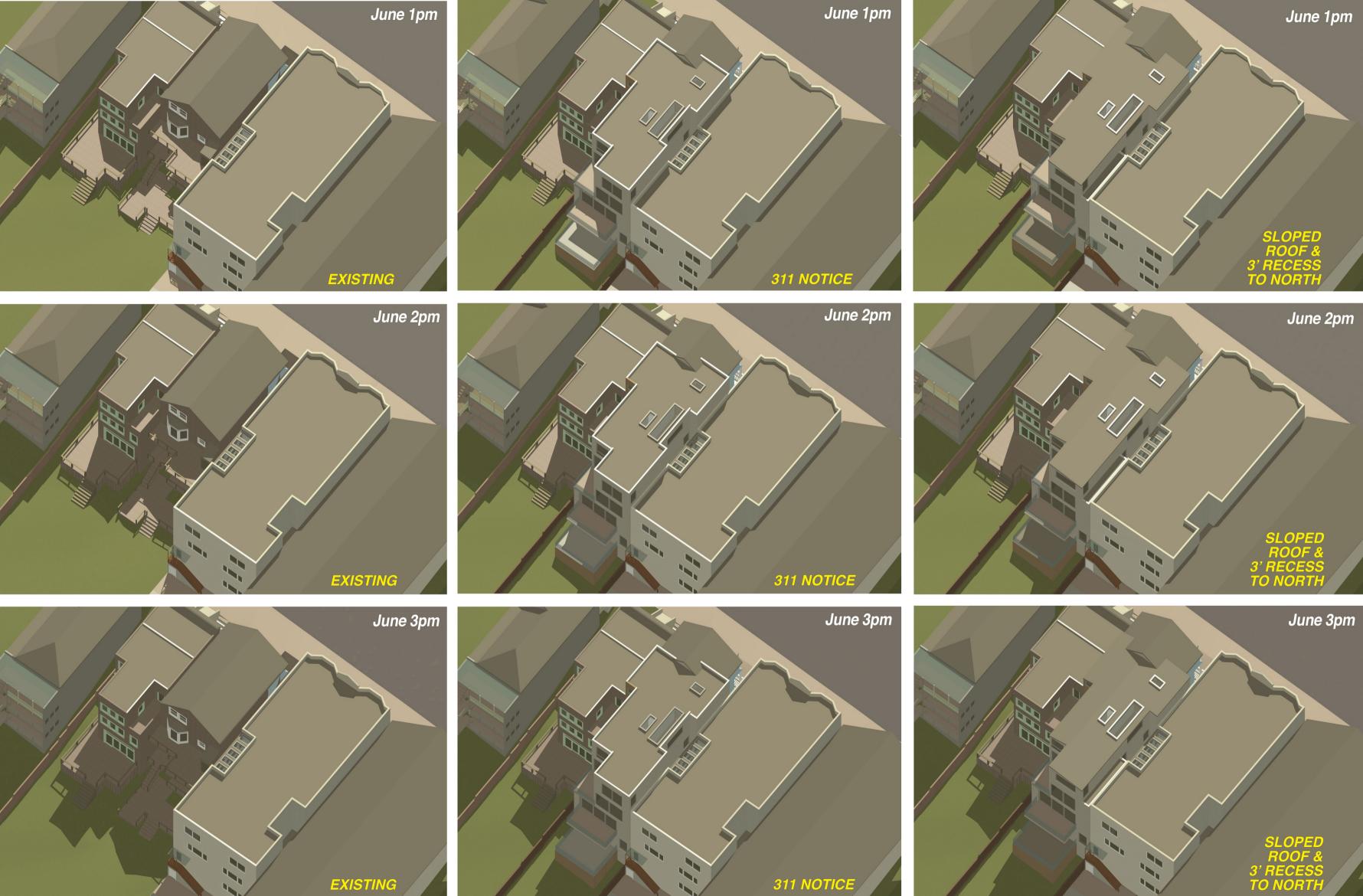


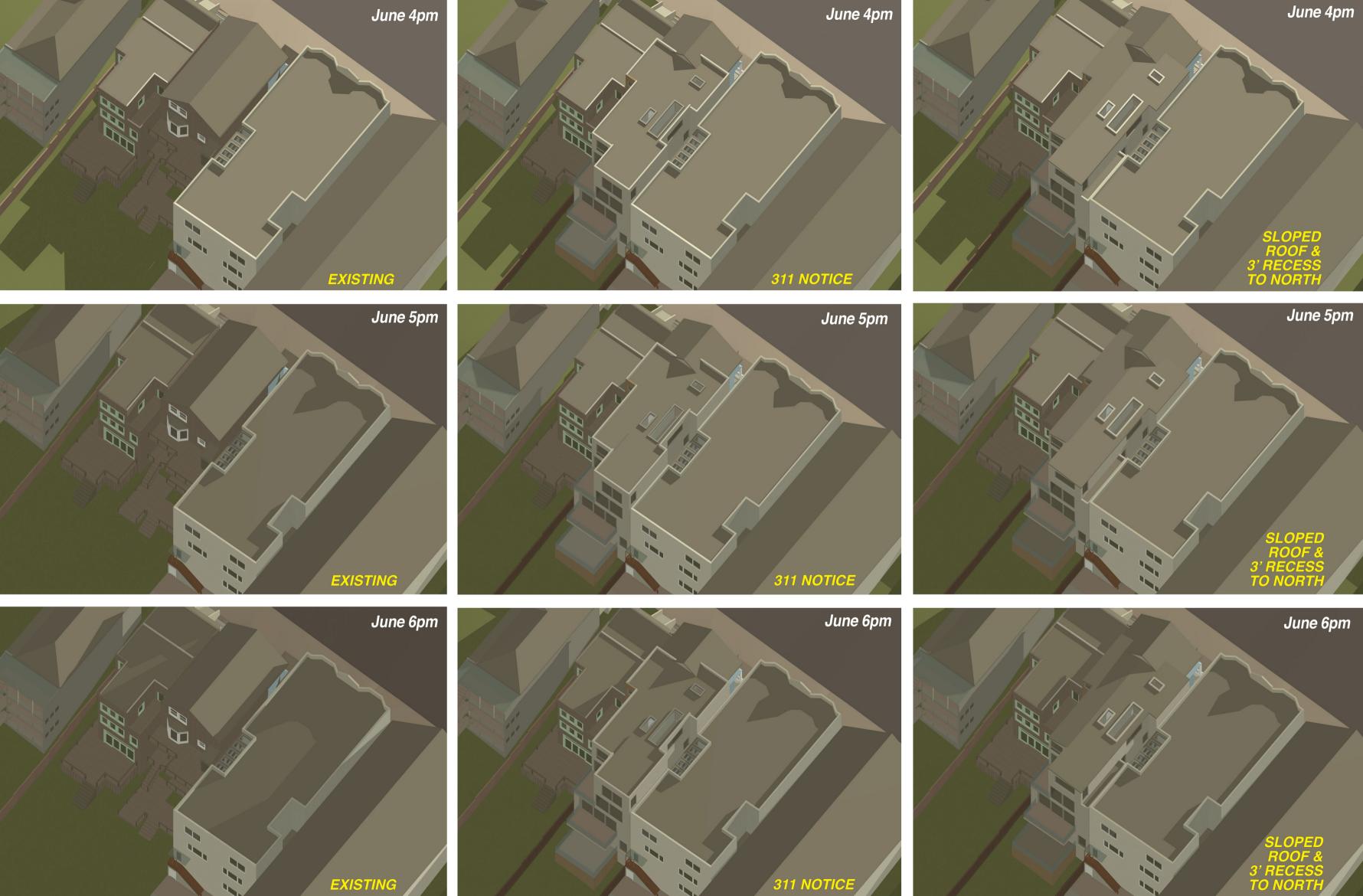


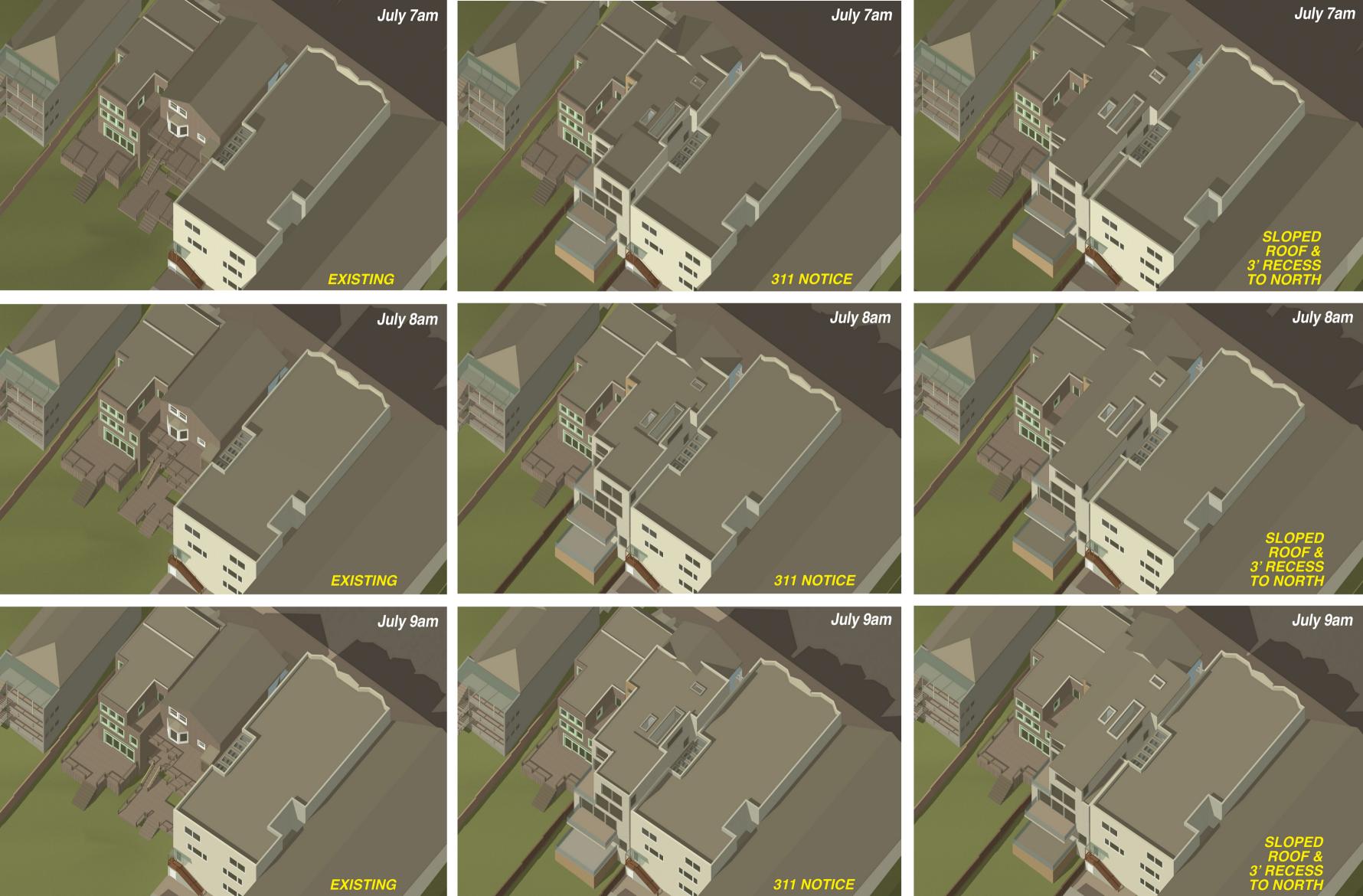


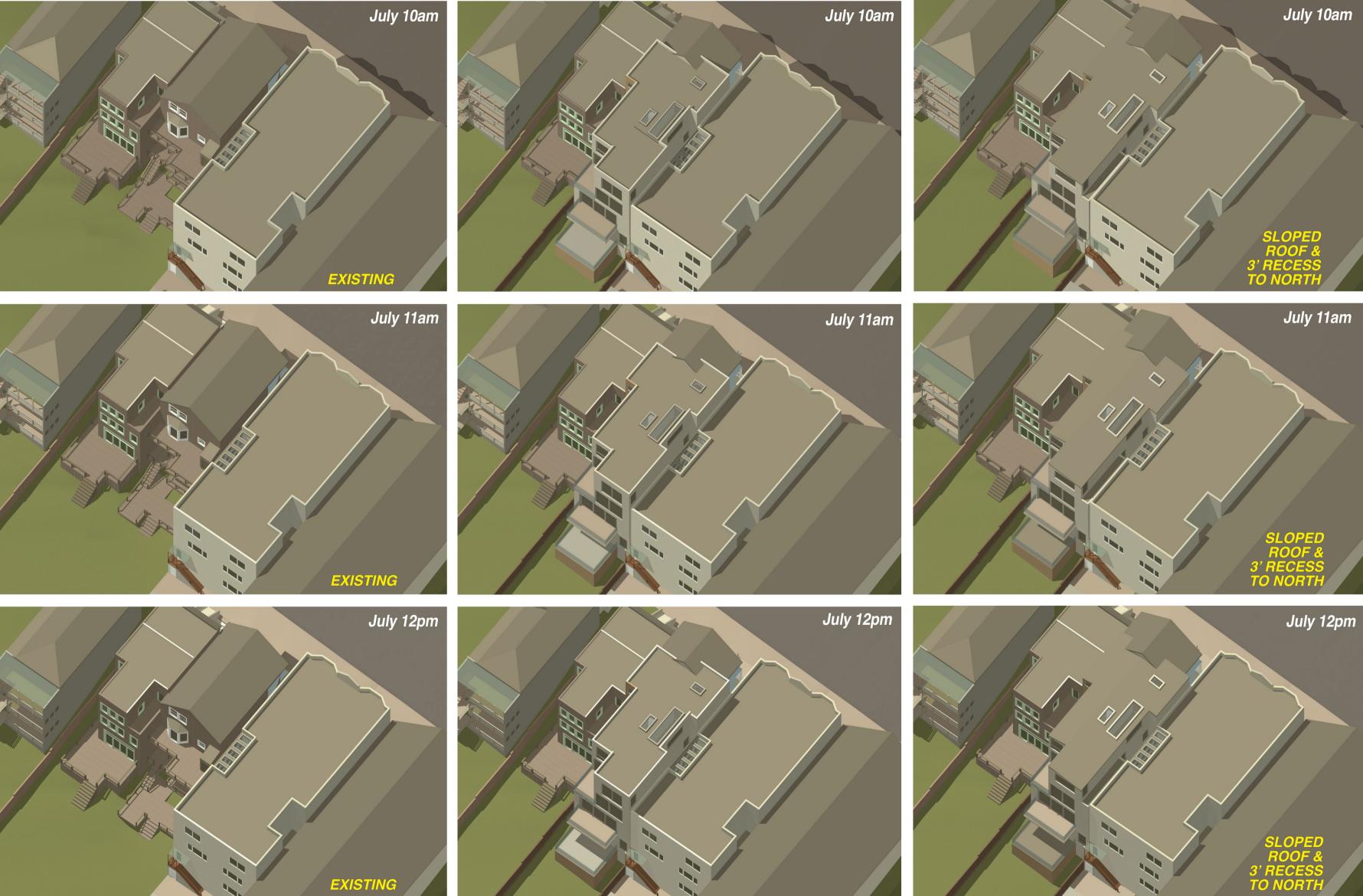


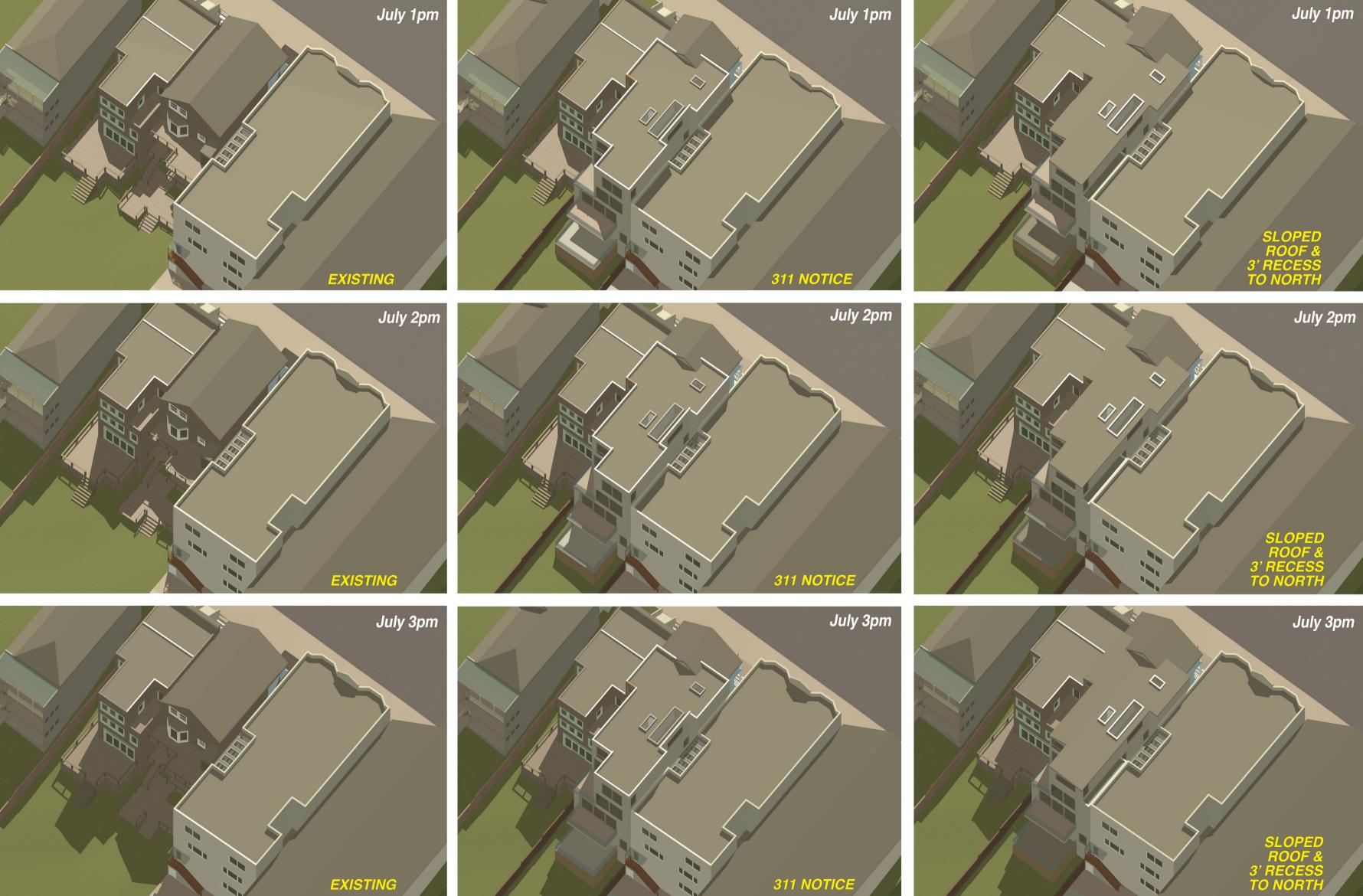


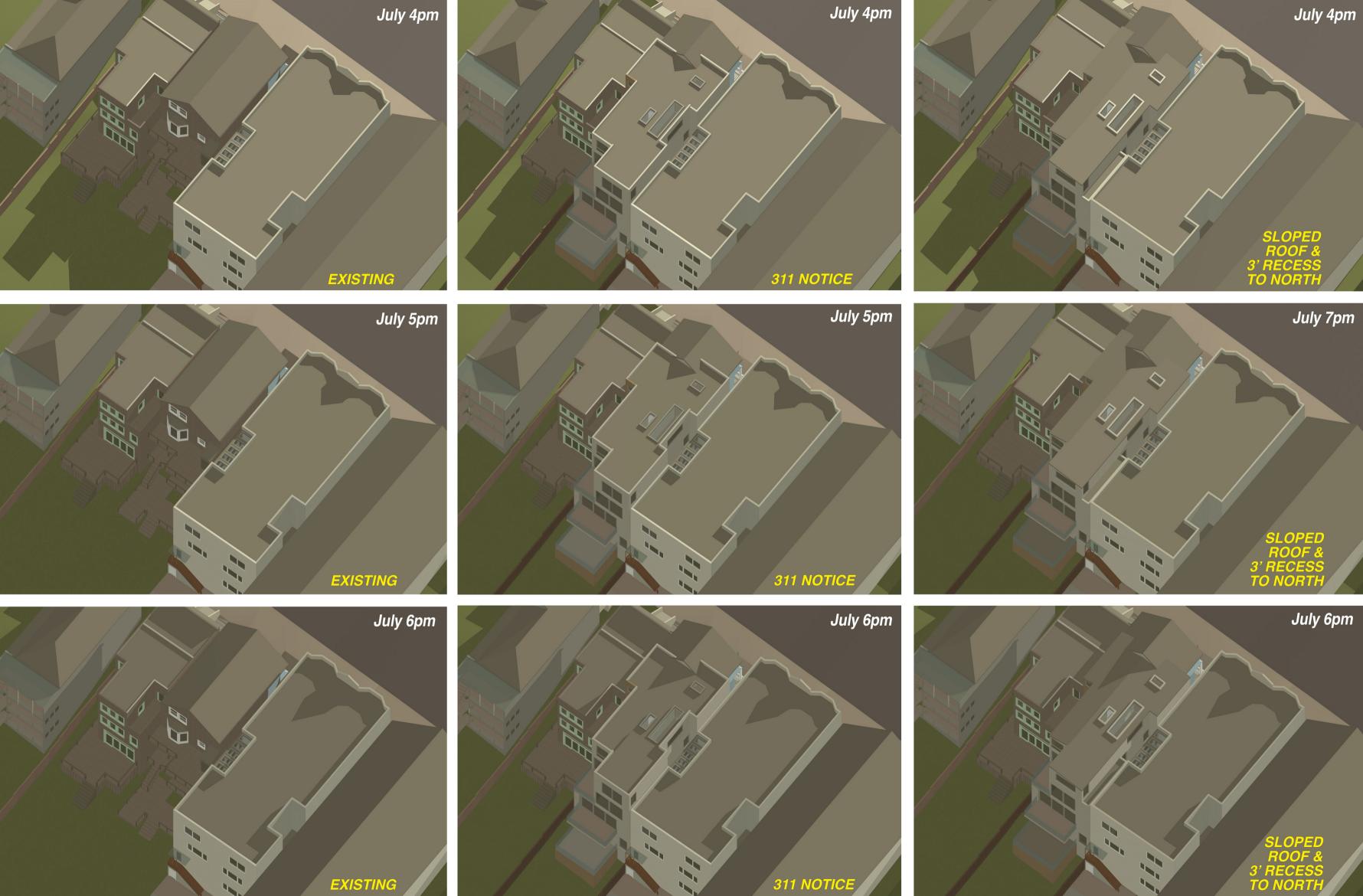


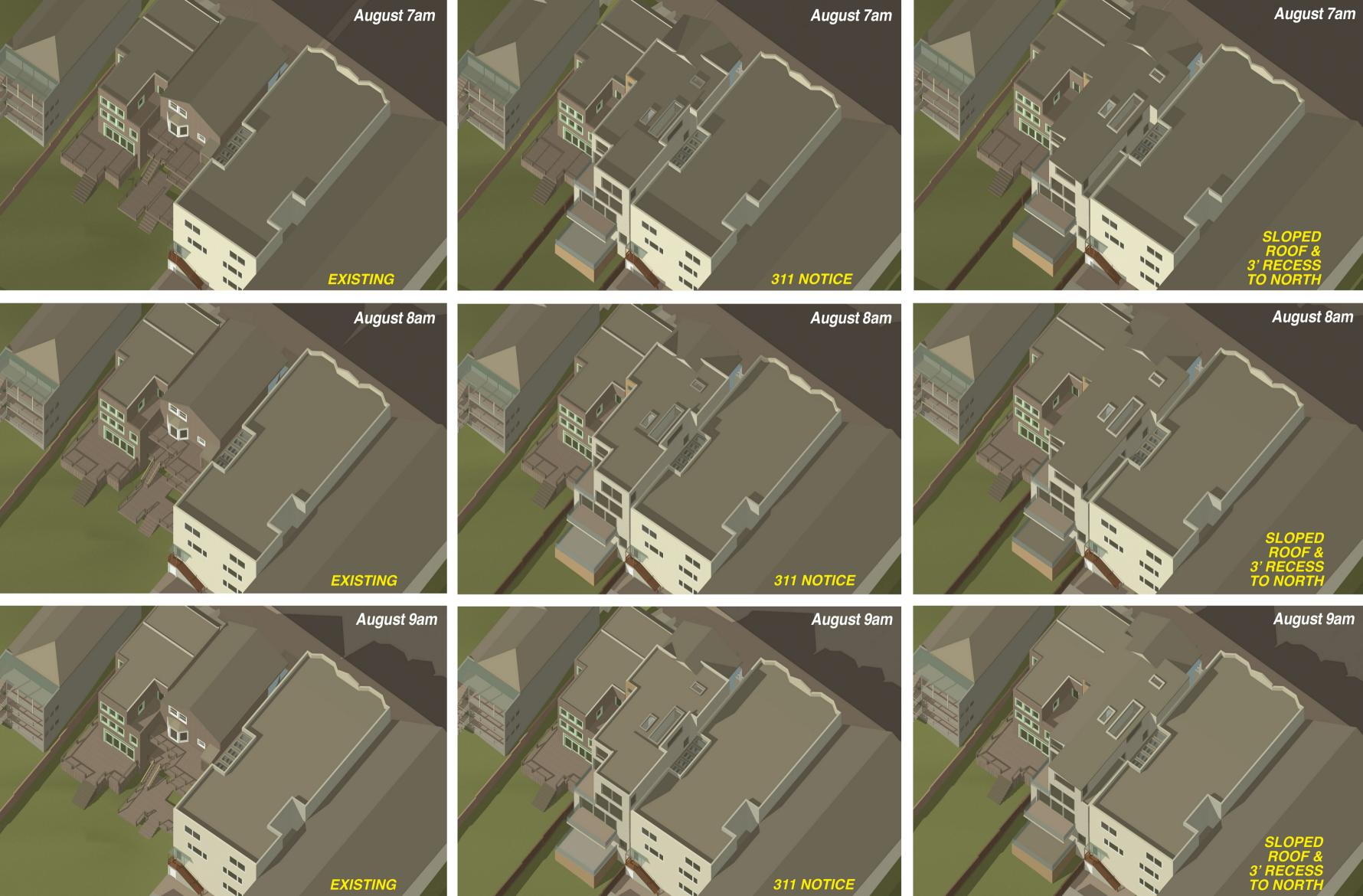


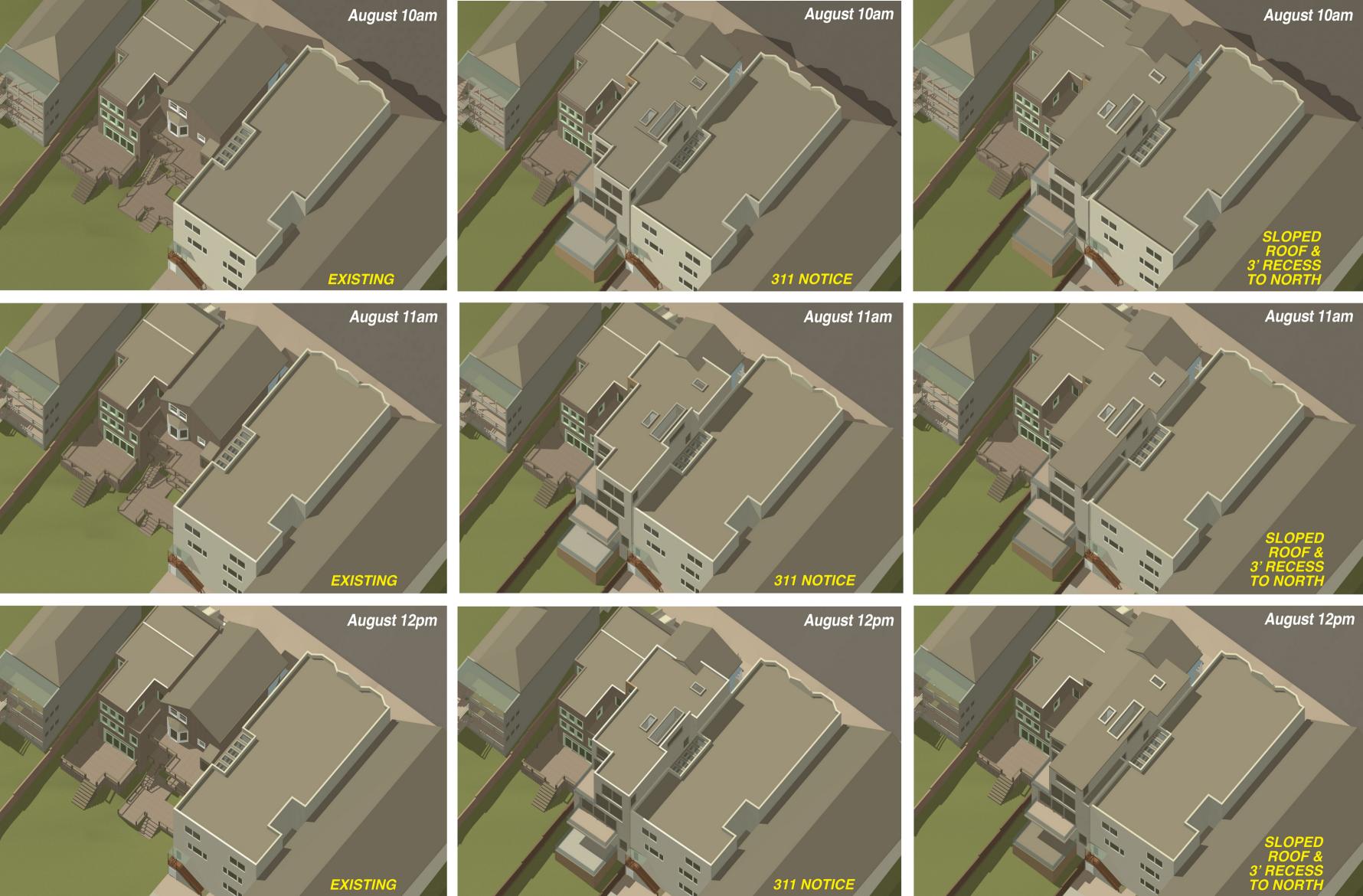


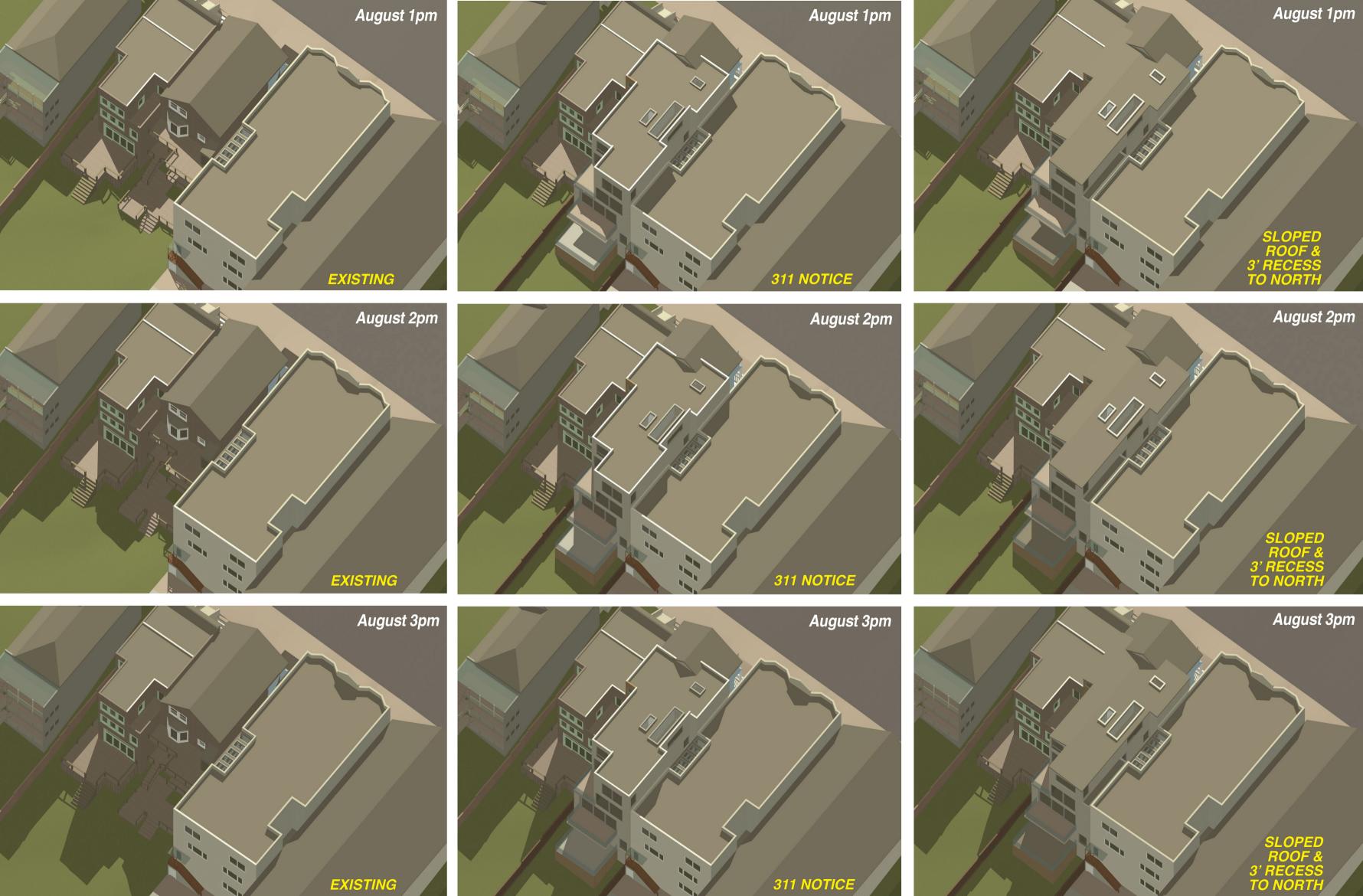




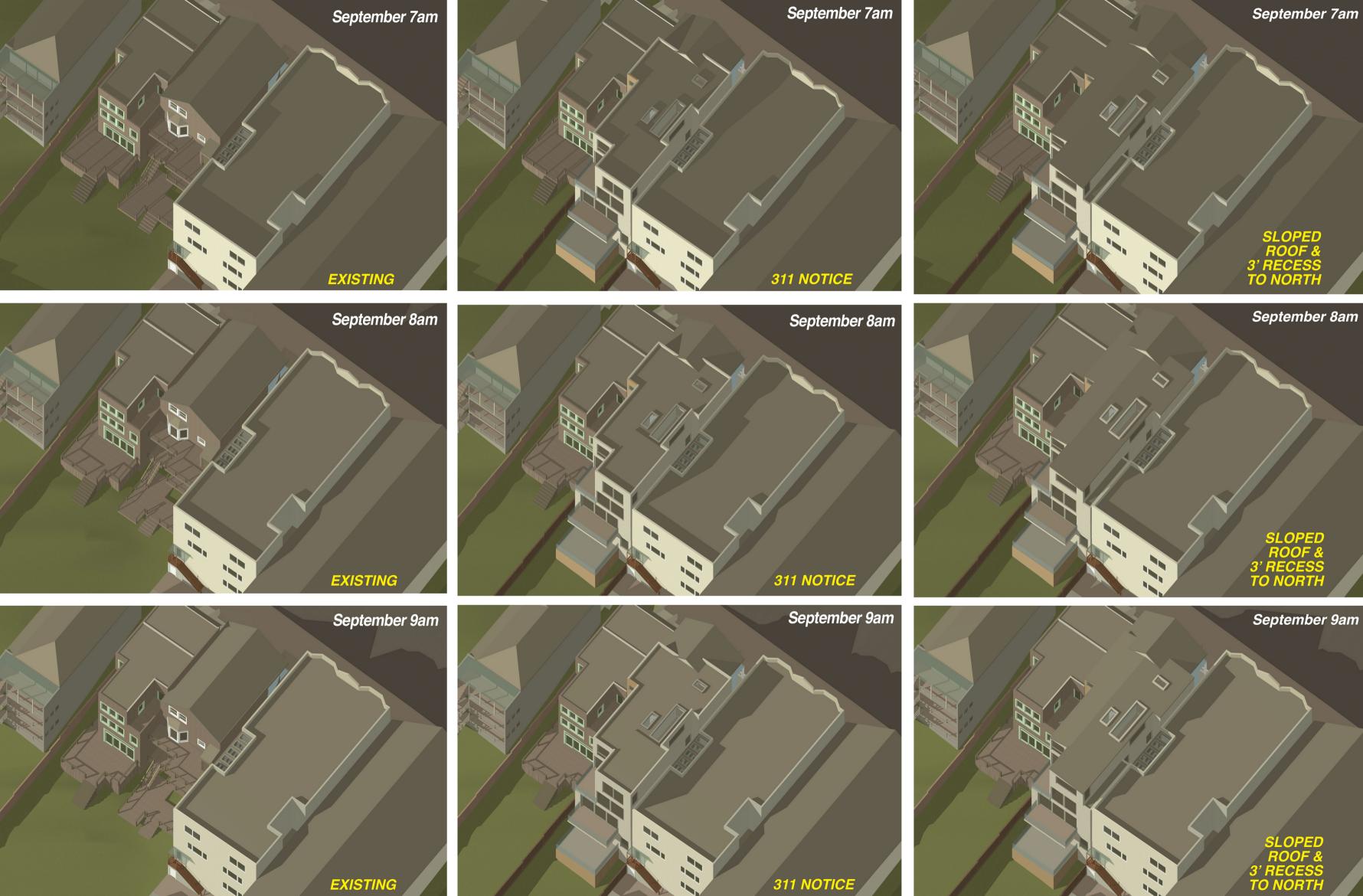








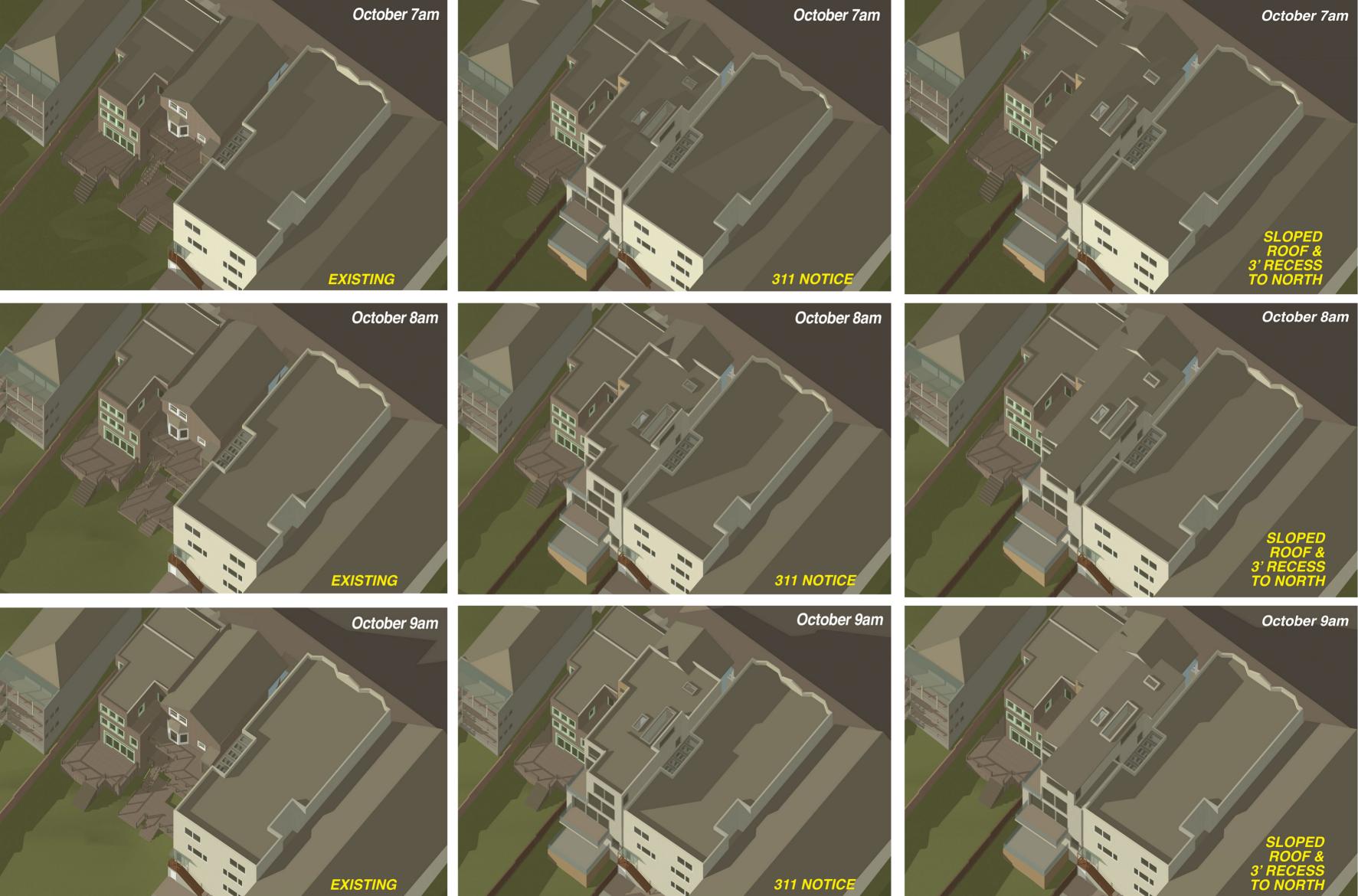




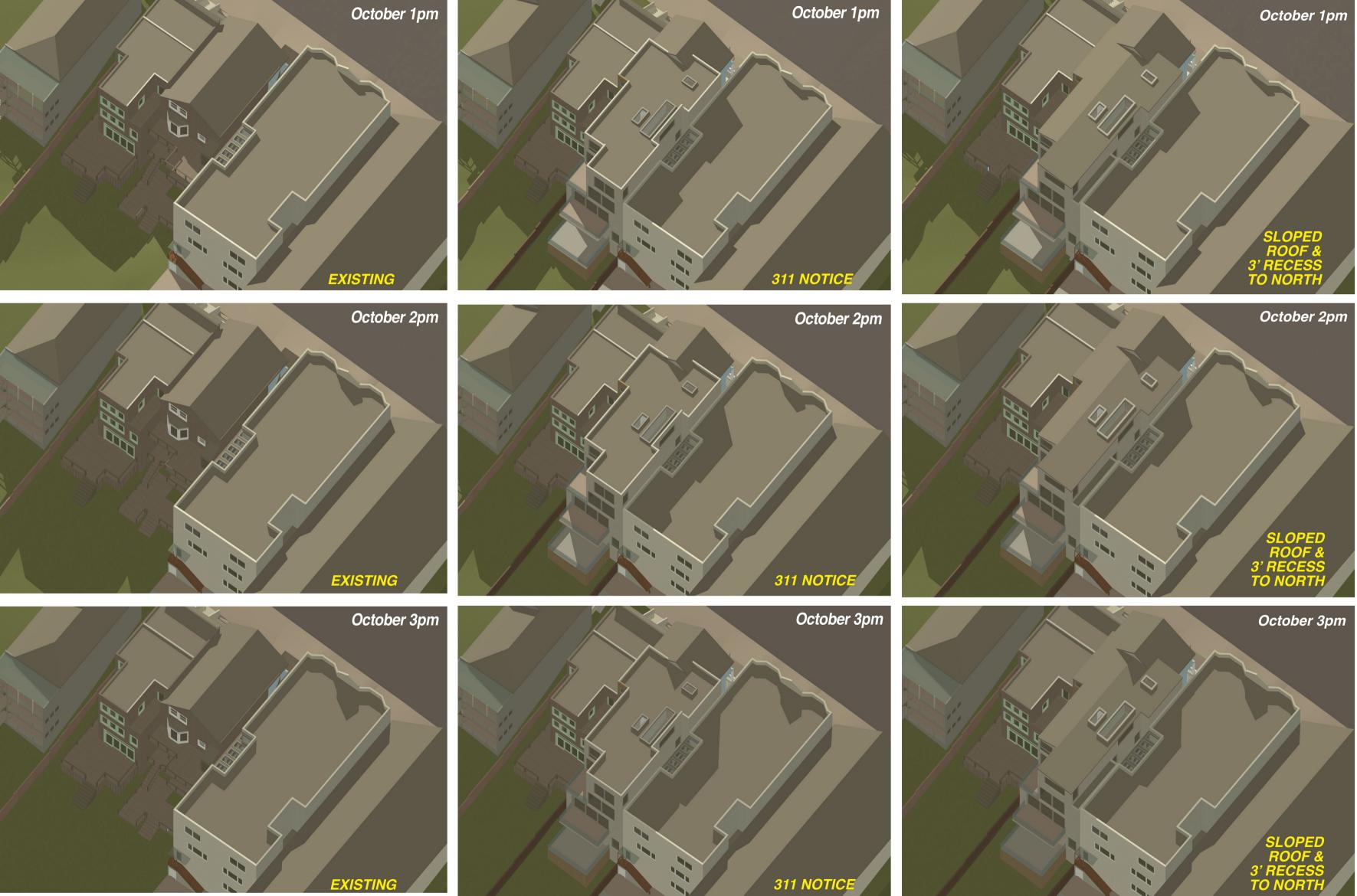






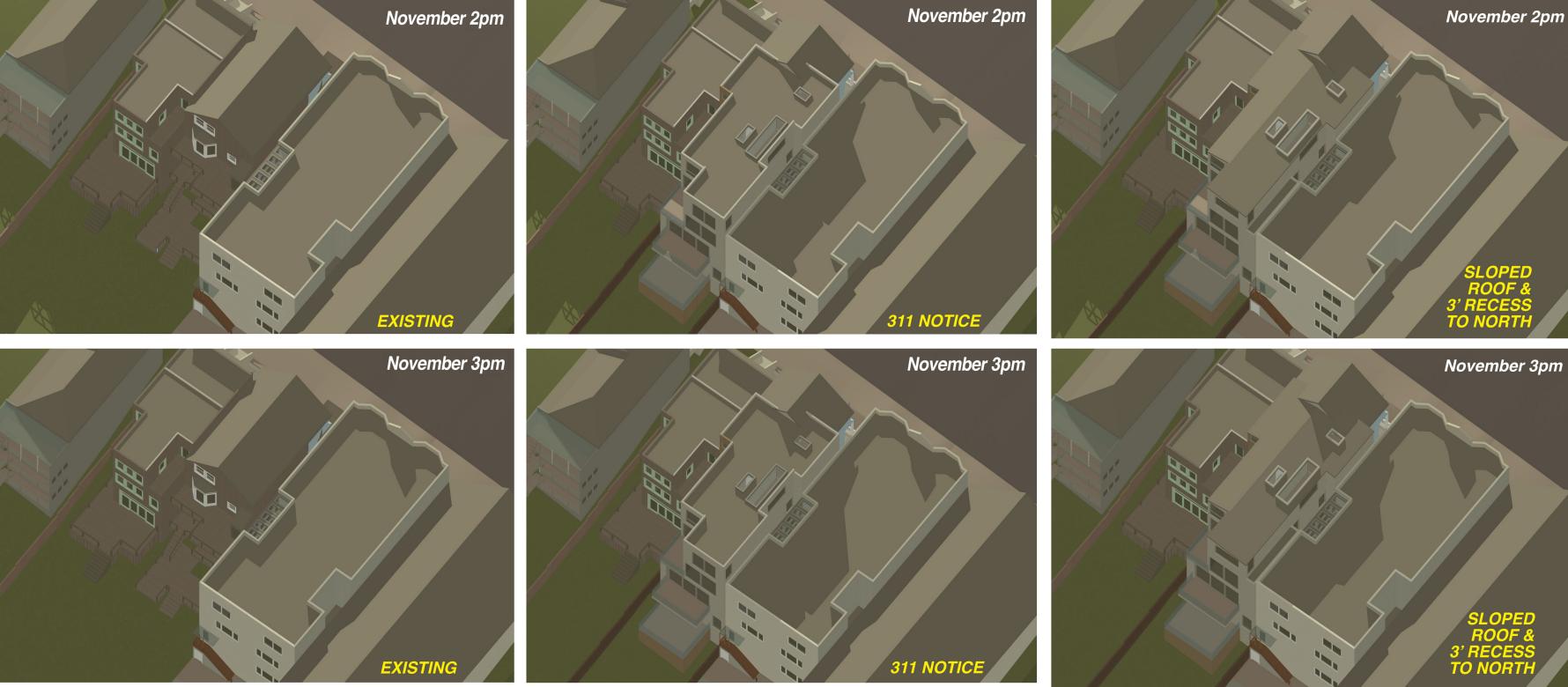


















# Protect Noe's Charm

Neighbors committed to fair planning for Noe Valley



June 20, 2016

San Francisco Planning Commissioners San Francisco Planning Department 1650 Mission Street, Suite 400 San Francisco, CA 94103

Re: Conditional Use Authorization Hearing for 437 Hoffman Avenue

Members of the Planning Commission,

On behalf of Protect Noe's Charm (PNC) neighborhood organization, I am writing to you to express our opposition to the demolition of the dwelling at 437 Hoffman Avenue and its replacement by the proposed project at its current state.

The proposed construction is clearly out of scale both in its overall mass and its specific dimensions such as its marked interruption of the block's roofline progression. There are many points within the San Francisco Residential Design Guidelines (RDG) that this project falls on and as such it should not be approved to make way for the demolition of the existing dwelling.

That is why we urge you to stand up for enforcement of the RDG and to reject the request for Conditional Use Authorization of this project.

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Ozzie Rohm

On behalf of the 250+ members of Protect Noe's Charm

PDF Submission for 437 Hoffman Avenue Case No. 2015-003686CUA June 30, 2016 Janet Fowler

June 20th, 2016

RE: Building Permit: 2014.04.11.3029

Case No: 2015-003686CUA, 437 Hoffman June 30 Hearing

Dear President Fong, Vice-President Richards, and Fellow Commissioners:

My concerns regarding the proposed development at 437 Hoffman are the same as they were on April 7<sup>th</sup> and June 2<sup>nd</sup>. The proposed project has too much mass and is out of scale with neighboring homes and out of character with the neighborhood. The proposed project is so massive in comparison to adjacent homes that the usual required setbacks do next to nothing to mitigate the loss of light and/or privacy to the neighbors. The streetscape will be drastically compromised by the height and massive roofline, as well as by the loss of the spectacular New Zealand Christmas tree in front of it.

437 Hoffman is a structurally-sound house. It was built by German shipbuilders in 1904. Since it was built like a ship, it was one of only a few houses in the area that stood through the 1906 earthquake. For about a year after the quake about 17 people lived in the house and the owners let anyone who lost their home stay. As late as 2010, the *original* architectural plans were in existence and in the house. This house was the first house built on that side of the block. The builder, R.W. Getty, was active in the West of Castro Improvement Club and also had strong ties to Coos Bay, Oregon, where he was instrumental in labor reform for shipwrights. It seems wrong that 437 was determined Not an Historic Resource (Category "C") because it is ineligible for listing in the California Register of Historic Places. It is baffling that San Francisco is so disinterested in or too disorganized to preserve its amazing history, especially the post 1906 residential restoration and growth.

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January 31 2:20pm



This huge structure violates the character of the neighborhood and jeopardizes economic diversity. For this project, mass does not equal density since this home has been a two-unit home for most of its history.

Please deny the Conditional Use Permit for 437 Hoffman Avenue.

The proposed use, at the size and intensity contemplated and at the proposed location, will not provide a development that is necessary or desirable for, and compatible with, the neighborhood or the community.

Sincerely,

Janet Fowler

From:

Secretary, Commissions (CPC)

Sent:

Wednesday, June 01, 2016 10:00 AM

To:

Tran, Nancy (CPC)

Cc:

Gerber, Patricia (CPC)

Subject: Attachments:

FW: 437 Hoffman #2015-003686CUA, June 2nd Hearing Petition Visual Rear.png; 437 Signed Petition 1-11.pdf

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From: Janet Fowler [mailto:jfowlers@aol.com]

Sent: Tuesday, May 31, 2016 5:59 PM

To: planning@rodneyfong.com; Richards, Dennis (CPC); <a href="mailto:cwu.planning@gmail.com">cwu.planning@gmail.com</a>; <a href="wordweaver21@aol.com">wordweaver21@aol.com</a>;

richhillissf@yahoo.com; Johnson, Christine (CPC); mooreurban@aol.com

Cc: Secretary, Commissions (CPC)

Subject: 437 Hoffman #2015-003686CUA, June 2nd Hearing

### Dear Commissioners,

Below is the photo that is hanging on the neighbor's wall (next to 437 Hoffman) with a notice asking neighbors to sign the petition that is hanging on his door. It is this jaw-dropping rendering done by the project sponsor that has garnered over 110 signatures; most of these signatures have been added by passers-by when no one was looking. In this photo it is easy to see how much higher the proposed project is than 431-433 Hoffman; it is similarly higher than 439-441 Hoffman but is harder to distinguish because of the perspective of the rendering. It is massive by almost anyone's standards. If passers-by found this project to be of reasonable scale for the neighborhood, there would not be this many *unsolicited* signatures. We do not want to pack the hearing and have endless testimony; however, we want you to know that these signatures are neither frivolous nor begged for, and all these people are seriously opposed to such a massive project. The petitions have already been submitted in my section of the agenda packet and the rear visual can be found in the project sponsor's section. The petition doesn't include the photo; the photo was enlarged and posted as a sign directing passers-by to the petition.

BTW: The project sponsor has misaddressed the building to the north in the photo and rendering. It's 431-433 Hoffman, which has two upper occupied units and two lower unoccupied studio apartments that would also lose sunlight. The building to the the north has four units while the building to the south has two units.

Sincerely, Janet Fowler

# PROPOSED PROJECT AT 437 HOFFMAN



**REAR VIEW** 



PROPOSED REAR VIEW

From:

Secretary, Commissions (CPC)

Sent:

Tuesday, May 31, 2016 10:38 AM

To:

Tran, Nancy (CPC)

Subject:

FW: 437 Hoffman Av. (Case #2015-003686CUA - Block/Lot: 6503/024 Zoning: RH:-2

(Residential -House, Two Family 6503/024

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**From:** R Gene Geisler [mailto:geneq@sfsu.edu]

**Sent:** Monday, May 30, 2016 1:36 PM **To:** Secretary, Commissions (CPC)

Subject: Re: 437 Hoffman Av. (Case #2015-003686CUA - Block/Lot: 6503/024 Zoning: RH:-2 (Residential -House, Two

Family 6503/024

Re: 437 Hoffman Av. (Case #2015-003686CUA - Block/Lot: 6503/024 Zoning: RH:-2 (Residential -House, Two Family 6503/024

### COMMISSIONER:

I strongly oppose granting the above permit re: 435/337 Hoffman.

Although the plans have been recently changed to restore it to a two unit building - its bulk and height - as currently redesigned - remains seriously out character with this block of Hoffman AVE. The openness and light of my Southern exposure will be obliterated. That light is a precious contribution of my health and morale.

For over a hundred years Hoffman Ave has been affordably accessible to middle class San Francisco.

Today - diverse younger families with children are moving into the houses vacated by older residents. So far it largely remains genuinely affordable to middle class families.

Should the permit be granted - the quality of this Veteran's life will be the seriously damaged by the proposed Demolition /Remodel of 435/37 Hoffman.

I STRONGLY PROTEST GRANTING THE PERMIT REQUESTED: Case #2015-003686CUA

R. Gene Geisler, Professor Emeritus San Francisco State University

From:

Secretary, Commissions (CPC)

Sent:

Tuesday, May 31, 2016 12:08 PM

To:

Tran, Nancy (CPC)

Cc:

Gerber, Patricia (CPC)

Subject:

FW: 437 Hoffman Avenue, June 2, Conditional Use Authorization.

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From: Linas Rukas [mailto:lrukas@yahoo.com]

Sent: Tuesday, May 31, 2016 11:19 AM

To: planning@rodneyfong.com; Richards, Dennis (CPC); <a href="mailto:cwu.planning@gmail.com">cwu.planning@gmail.com</a>; <a href="wordweaver21@aol.com">wordweaver21@aol.com</a>;

richhillissf@yahoo.com; Johnson, Christine (CPC); mooreurban@aol.com

Cc: Secretary, Commissions (CPC)

Subject: 437 Hoffman Avenue, June 2, Conditional Use Authorization.

# Dear President Fong and Members of the Commission:

My name is Linas Rukas and my address is 21 Fountain St.. i would like to voice my objection to the proposed development of the house at 437 Hoffman. What is being considered is way out of character and scale of the adjacent properties as well as the neighborhood. The new structure would significantly adversely effect the sunlight and air of the surrounding properties.

San Francisco is starting to see a proliferation of these hulking "McMansions" that are totally out of character of the city. Noe Valley has a particular charm, some of which is due to the scale of the houses. it's clear from the developer's intentions that there is a blatant disregard for the residents, some of which have lived there for decades, that currently live in close proximity to the proposed redevelopment. The neighbors don't oppose redevelopment but do oppose redevelopment that seriously undermines their quality of life. i hope that you force the developer to scale back his plans so that the all residents can enjoy their homes. That truly is all anyone's asking for.

#### Regards,

-Linas A. Rukas 21 Fountain St., 94114 847 902-9240

From:

Secretary, Commissions (CPC)

Sent:

Wednesday, June 01, 2016 11:20 AM

To:

Tran, Nancy (CPC)

Subject:

FW: June 2, 2016 437 Hoffman #2015-003686CUA

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From: L Gerard [mailto:lgerard55@gmail.com]
Sent: Wednesday, June 01, 2016 10:56 AM

To: wordweaver21@aol.com; richhillissf@yahoo.com; mooreurban@aol.com; cwu.planning@gmail.com; o: planning;

Richards, Dennis (CPC); Johnson, Christine (CPC); Secretary, Commissions (CPC)

**Subject:** Re: June 2, 2016 437 Hoffman #2015-003686CUA

**From:** L Gerard [mailto:lgerard55@gmail.com]

To: planning@rodneyfong.com; Richards, Dennis (CPC); wordweaver21@aol.com; richhillissf@yahoo.com; Johnson,

Christine (CPC); mooreurban@aol.com; cwu.planning@gmail.com

Subject: Proposal Development

437 Hoffman #2015-003686CUA, June 2nd Hearing

### **Dear President Fong and Commission Members:**

I am writing again as a concerned neighbor and long time resident of 470 Hoffman Avenue, S.F., CA 94114. I bought my house in 1974, enjoying the unique character of Noe Valley community. We have one of the nicest blocks in Noe Valley.

I am writing in opposition to the proposed development plans for 437 Hoffman Avenue specified above in the subject heading.

A careful review of the plans show clearly that the proposal is way out of proportion to our street's character and other homes on the block.

I ask that you enforce the residential design guidelines for our neighborhood!!

| I also ask that you give consideration to retaining the street tree at 437 Hoffman. |  |
|---|--|
| Sincerely yours,  |  |

Lenore Gerard

# Tran, Nancy (CPC)

From:

Secretary, Commissions (CPC)

Sent:

Wednesday, June 01, 2016 10:02 AM

To:

Tran, Nancy (CPC)

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Gerber, Patricia (CPC)

Subject:

FW: 437 Hoffman Avenue and #2015-003686CUA

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From: Fouzieyha Towghi [mailto:ftnazgul@gmail.com]

Sent: Wednesday, June 01, 2016 7:55 AM

To: planning@rodneyfong.com; Richards, Dennis (CPC); <a href="mailto:cwu.planning@gmail.com">cwu.planning@gmail.com</a>; <a href="mailto:wordweaver21@aol.com">wordweaver21@aol.com</a>;

richhillissf@yahoo.com; Johnson, Christine (CPC); mooreurban@aol.com

Cc: Secretary, Commissions (CPC)

Subject: 437 Hoffman Avenue and #2015-003686CUA

Dear President Fong and Members of the Commission:

My name is Fouzieyha Towghi and my address is 24 Homestead St. I am writing to voice my objection to the proposed development of the house at 437 Hoffman. The proposed plan is radically out of character and scale of the adjacent properties as well as the neighborhood. The planned structure would significantly and adversely impact the adjacent neighbors' privacy, sunlight as well as the flow of air. This monster construction would only add to the astonishing changes already evident in Noe Valley due to previous approved constructions that have disregarded the neighborhood character and harmony as well as the residential design guidelines. The 437 Hoffman proposed construction would also violate the residential design guidelines set by the city of San Francisco to protect midblock space for urban flora and fauna and the overall neighborhood scale, character, and harmony. This construction would be too tall and jet out to too far to the back, thus creating one more unnecessary monster home. Moreover, there is no evidence that this construction would provide affordable housing.

Sincerely,

Fouzieyha Towghi

24 Homestead St.

SF, CA 94114

# Tran, Nancy (CPC)

From:

Secretary, Commissions (CPC)

Sent:

Thursday, June 02, 2016 9:15 AM

To:

Tran, Nancy (CPC)

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Son, Chanbory (CPC)

Subject:

FW: 437 Hoffman Avenue and #2015-003686CUA

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From: info@anjuchinesemedicine.com [mailto:info@anjuchinesemedicine.com]

**Sent:** Wednesday, June 01, 2016 8:47 PM

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richhillissf@yahoo.com; Johnson, Christine (CPC); mooreurban@aol.com

Cc: Secretary, Commissions (CPC)

Subject: RE: 437 Hoffman Avenue and #2015-003686CUA

Dear President Fong and Members of the Commission:

My name is Anju Gurnani. I reside at 22 Homestead St. I am writing to express my objection to the proposed development of the house at 437 Hoffman, SF 94114. I find the plan eggregiously out of character for the neighborhood. It does not conform to the scale of the adjacent properties. The planned structure would significantly and adversely impact the adjacent neighbors' privacy, sunlight as well as the flow of air. This monster construction would only add to the astonishing changes already evident in Noe Valley due to previous approved constructions that have disregarded the neighborhood character and harmony as well as the residential design guidelines. The 437 Hoffman proposed construction would also violate the residential design guidelines set by the city of San Francisco to protect midblock space for urban flora and fauna and the overall neighborhood scale, character, and harmony. This construction would be too tall and jet out to too far to the back, thus creating one more unnecessary monster home. Moreover, there is no evidence that this construction would provide affordable housing.

Sincerely,

Anju Gurnani 22 Homestead St. SF, CA 94114

# Tran, Nancy (CPC)

From: Kelly Condon <kellymcondon@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, June 22, 2016 12:53 PM

To: JANET FOWLER; Stephen Baskerville; PAUL LEFEBVRE; R Gene Geisler

Cc: DAVID SILVERMAN; John Kevlin; Paul K; Alek Juretic; Jason Lindley; Tran, Nancy (CPC)

**Subject:** 437 Hoffman - Revision per Commissioner

**Attachments:** JUNE 20 2016 - 2 - 2 story units & sloped roof.pdf

### Hello All -

Commissioner Antonini has discussed our project with other commissioners & asked me on Friday to revise the plans & sun study to reduce massing at the rear of the building.

I was able to get the new model built & the new sun studies done over the weekend - so the sun studies are in the commission package.

I've also sent the plans & elevations to the planning department & to Antonini to review.

Antonini visited the house yesterday to assess the site conditions in person.

The changes are that the building will now have:

- -- 2 two story units. The lower unit will be 2464 s.f. & the upper unit will be 2643 s.f.
- -- there will be a 3' recess at the top story on the north side starting at the lightwell. So at the top story the lightwell will become a recess all the way to the rear of the building.
- -- the roof over the entire addition will be sloped. The ceilings will be 8' tall at the property lines & then they will slope up. At the master the peak will be at 10' to the ceiling & at the rest of the building the high points of the rooms vary because the wall jogs but the peak of the roof itself will be 3" lower than the peak over the master bedroom.

These changes will increase the amount of light to Gene's lightwell & will decrease the overall shadow over Gene's roof.

The sun study is a side x side comparison of the existing building / what was sent out for 311 notice / what was requested by the commissioners last Friday.

This request is not a ruling. It was a preliminary request by several commissioners so that we might be able to discuss the impacts to light at the lightwell due to a reduction in mass & might be able to create 2 family sized units.

Attached are the revised drawings & here is a link to the new sun study: https://www.mediafire.com/#oe40mxgacsigs

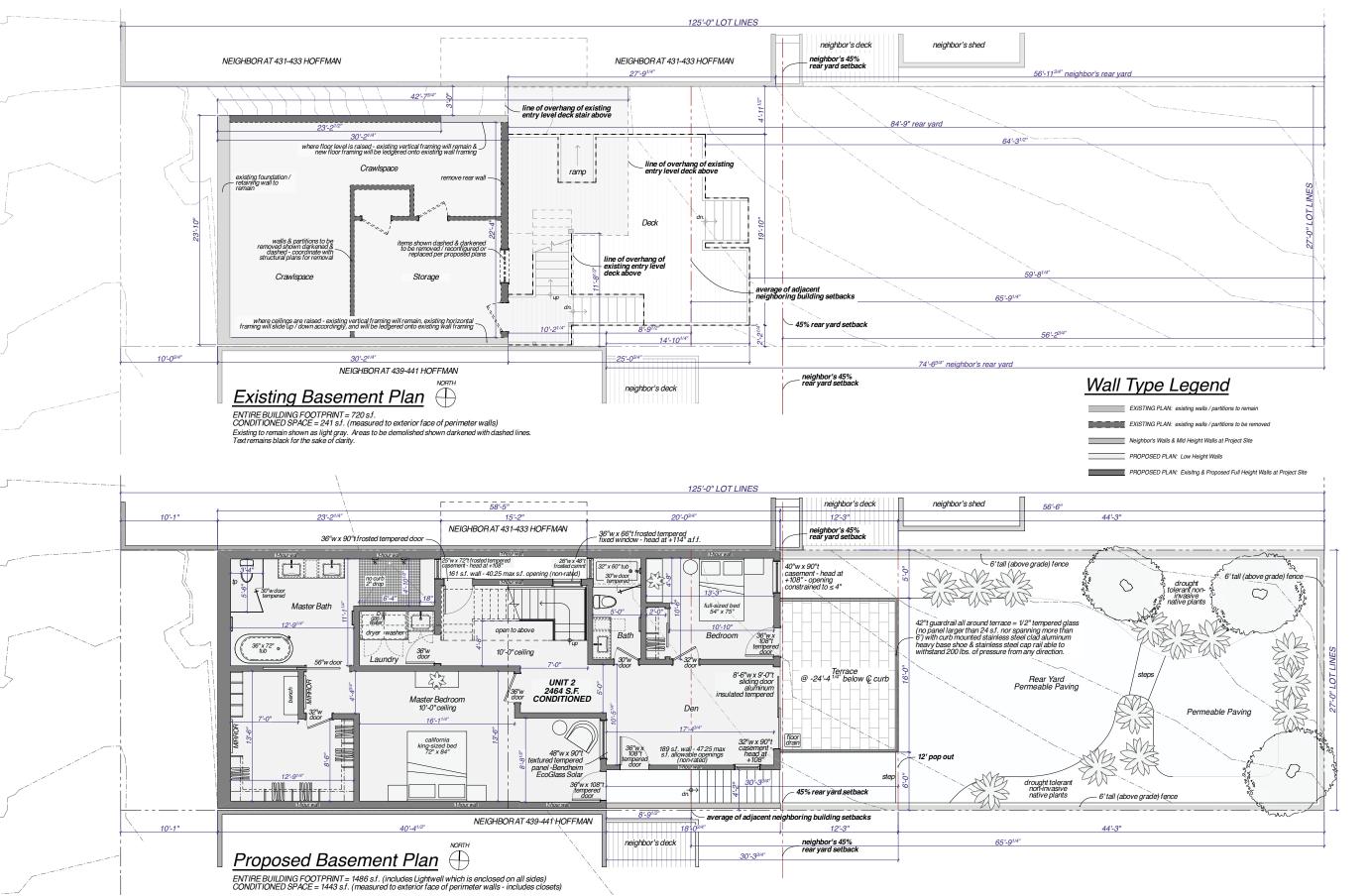
There is a file included in the sun study link that is called 'Sun Study Results'

This is a one page document that explains the differences to light between the existing building / what was sent out for 311 notice / what was requested by the commissioners last Friday.

If you look at the individual sun studies you will see exactly what those differences are & where the shadows fall on the lightwell itself.

Let me know if you have any questions.

Kelly Condon 415-240-8328





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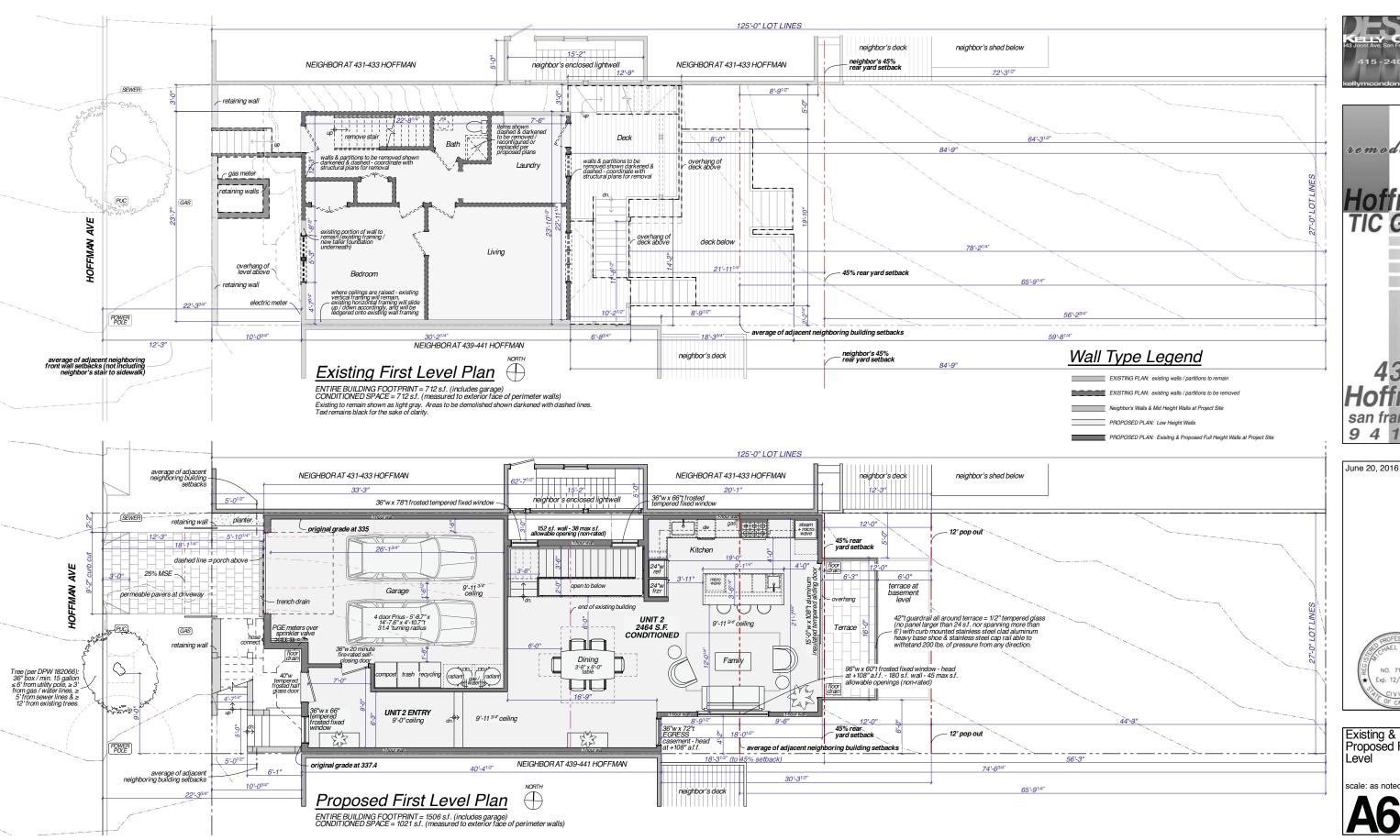
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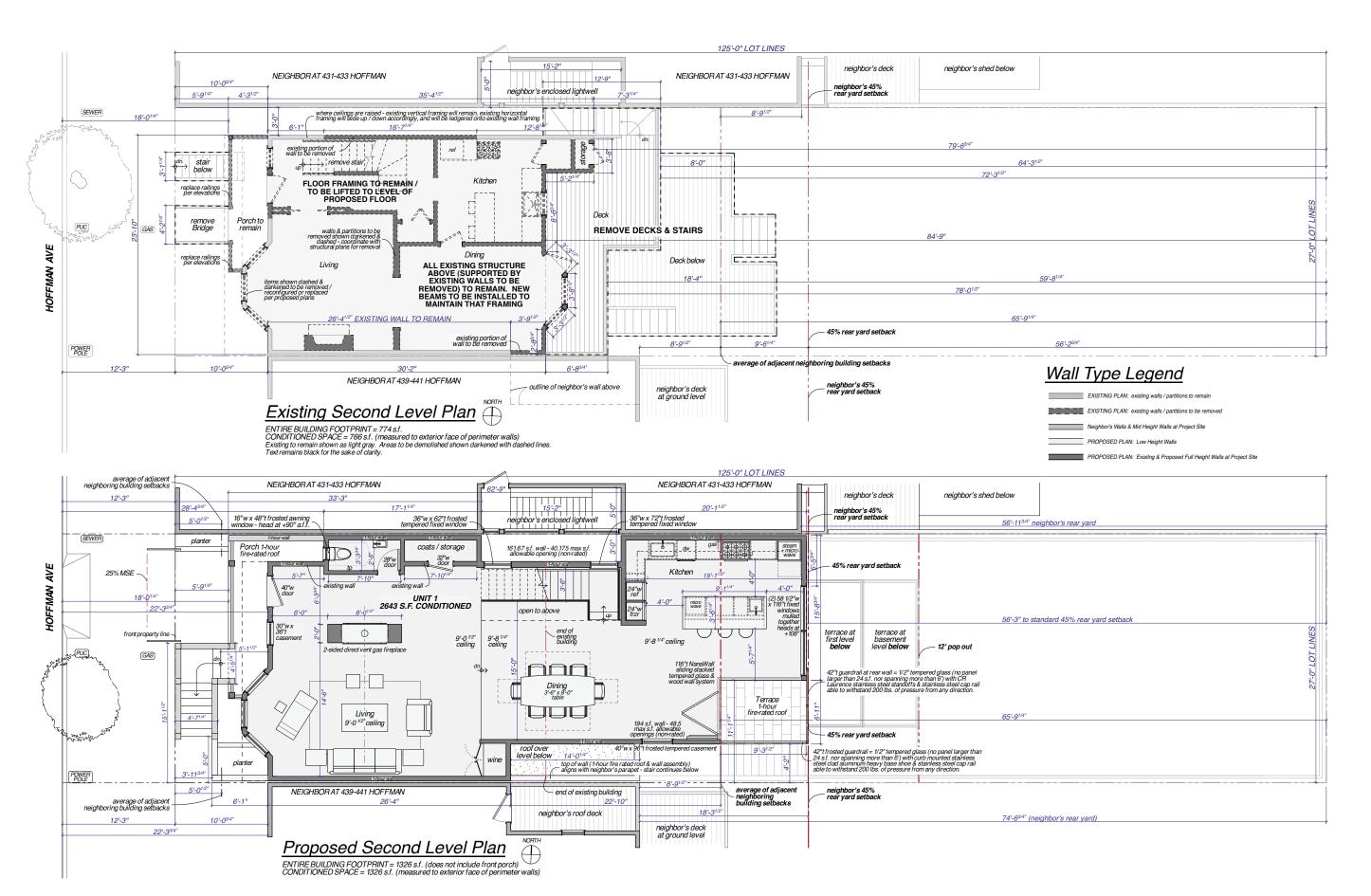


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Existing & Proposed First Level scale: as noted





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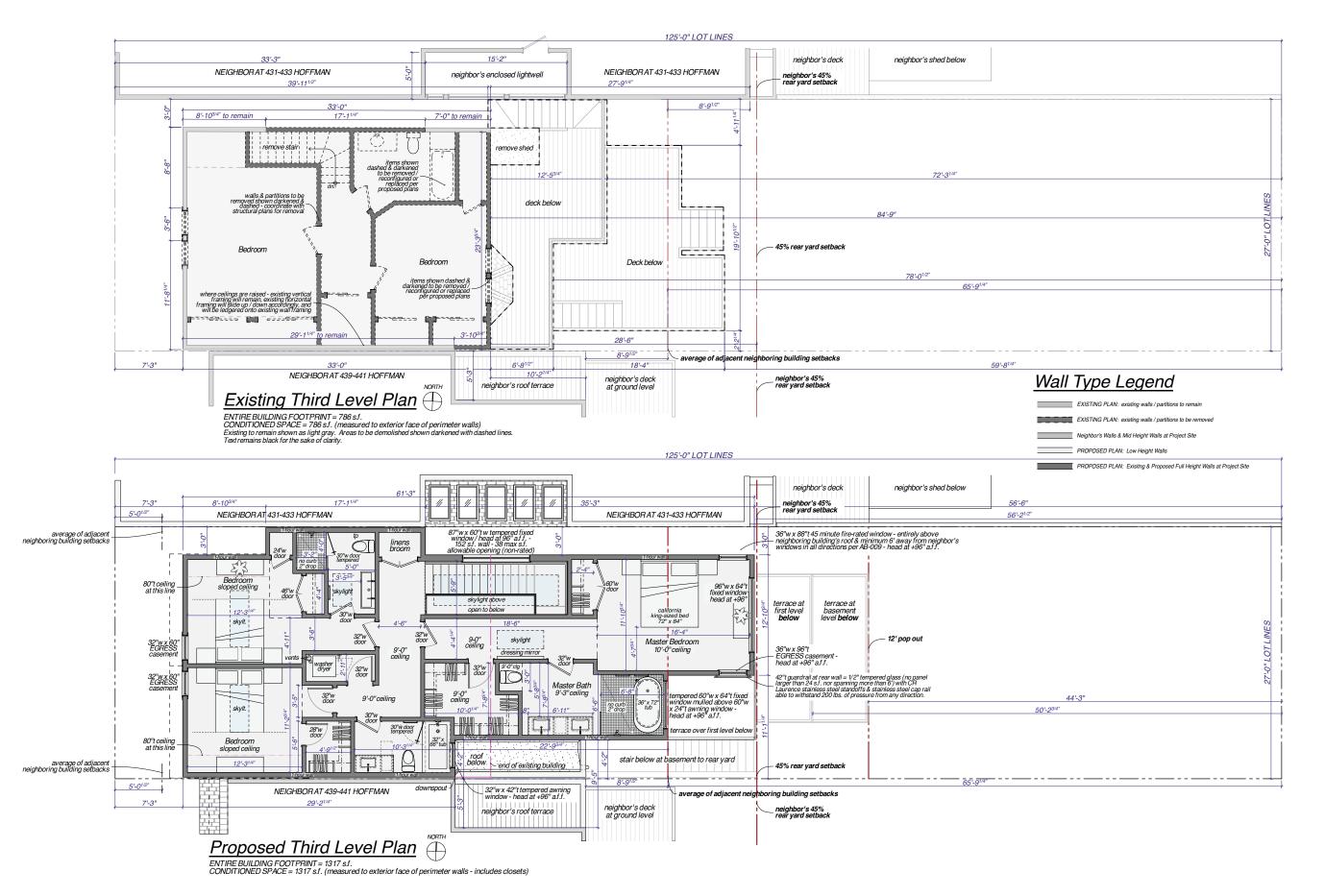
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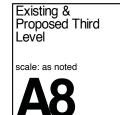


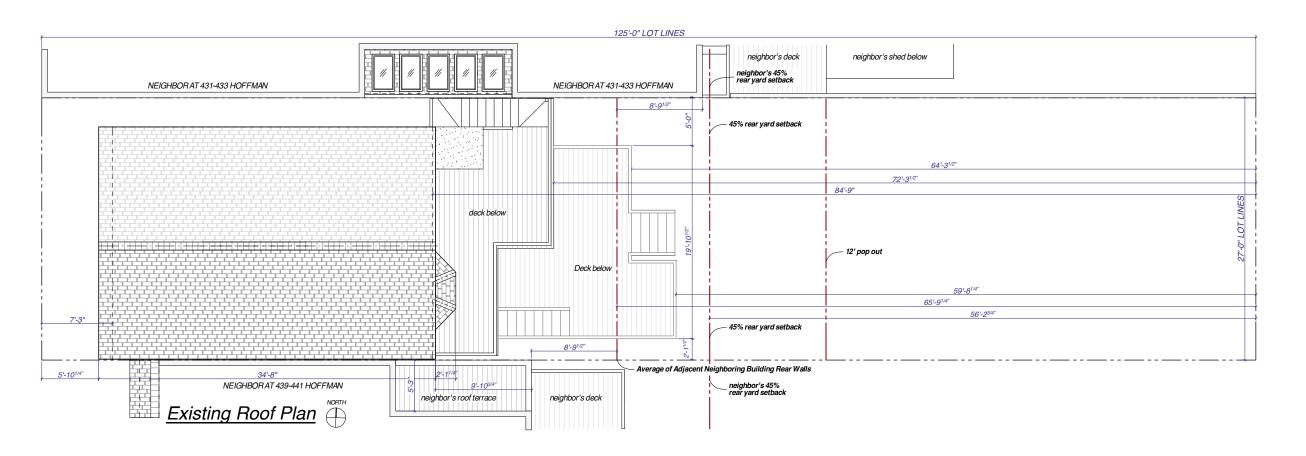
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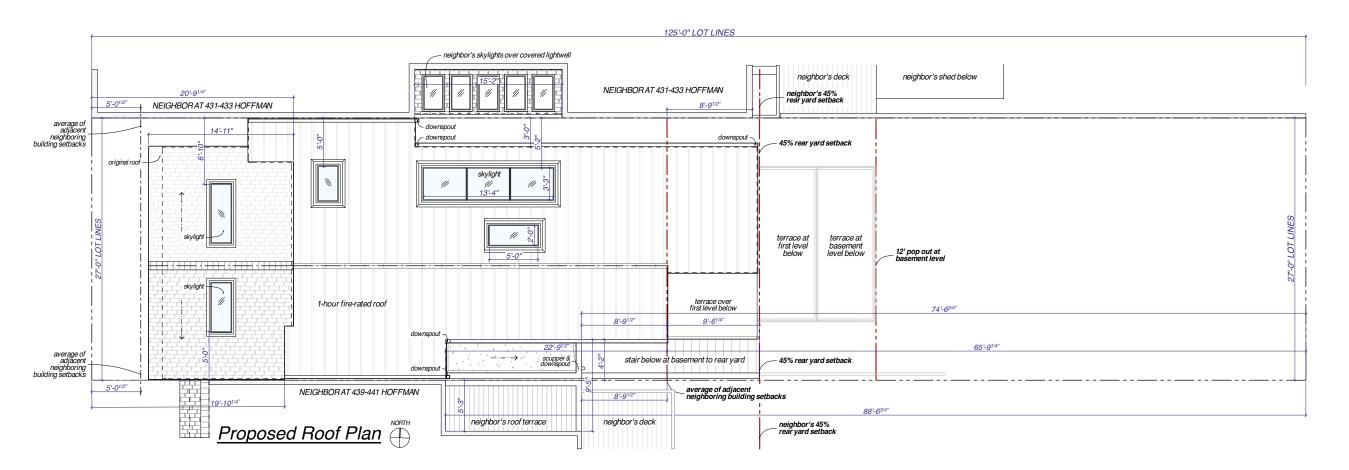
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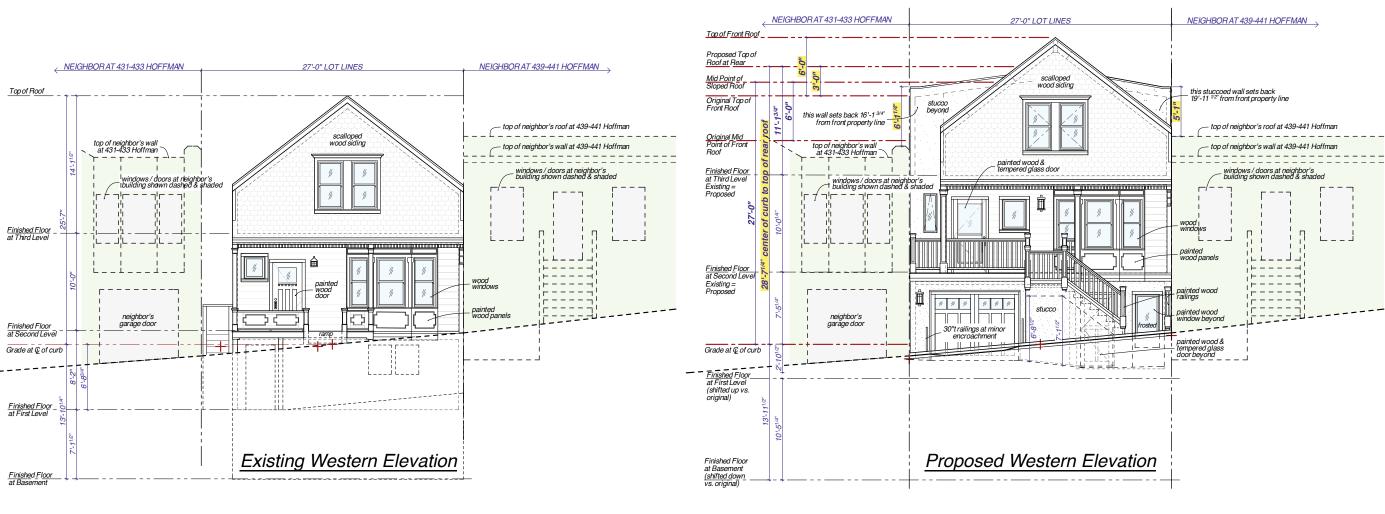
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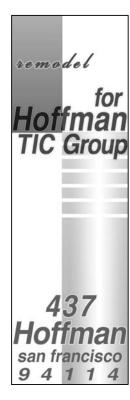
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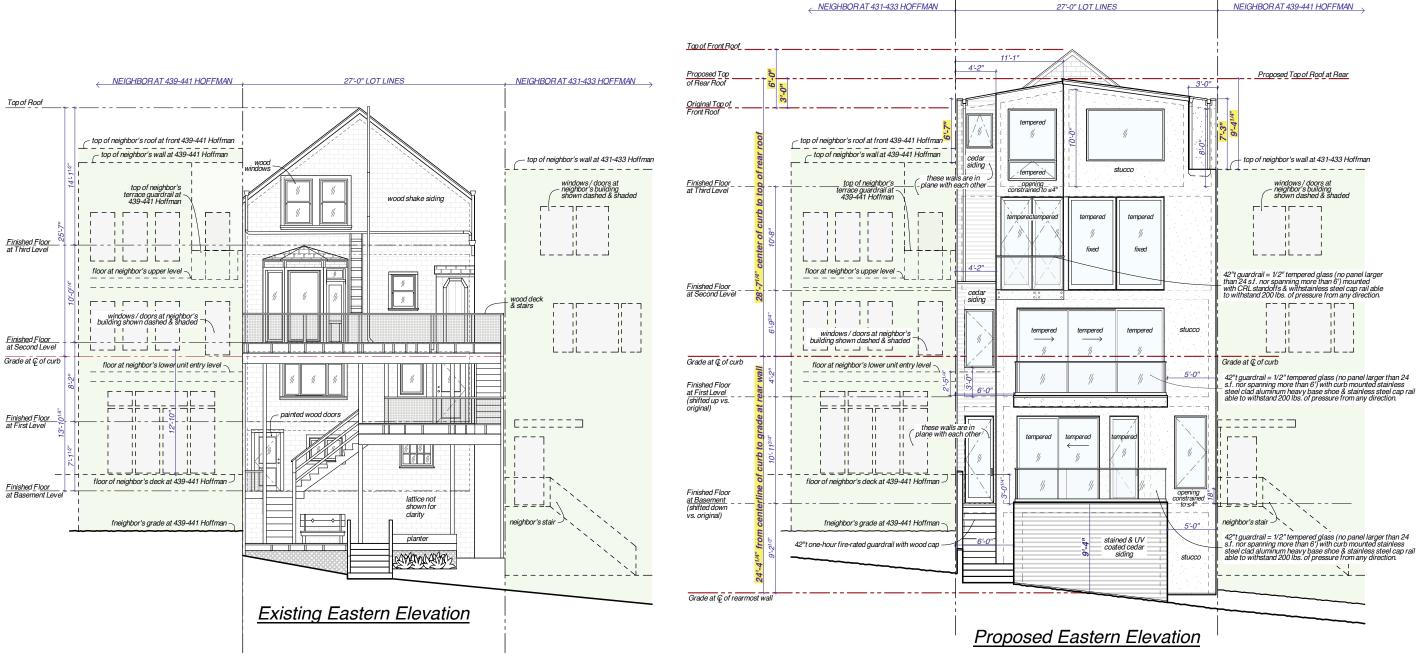
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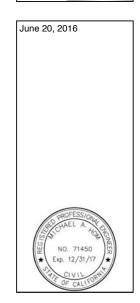
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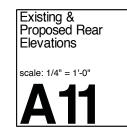


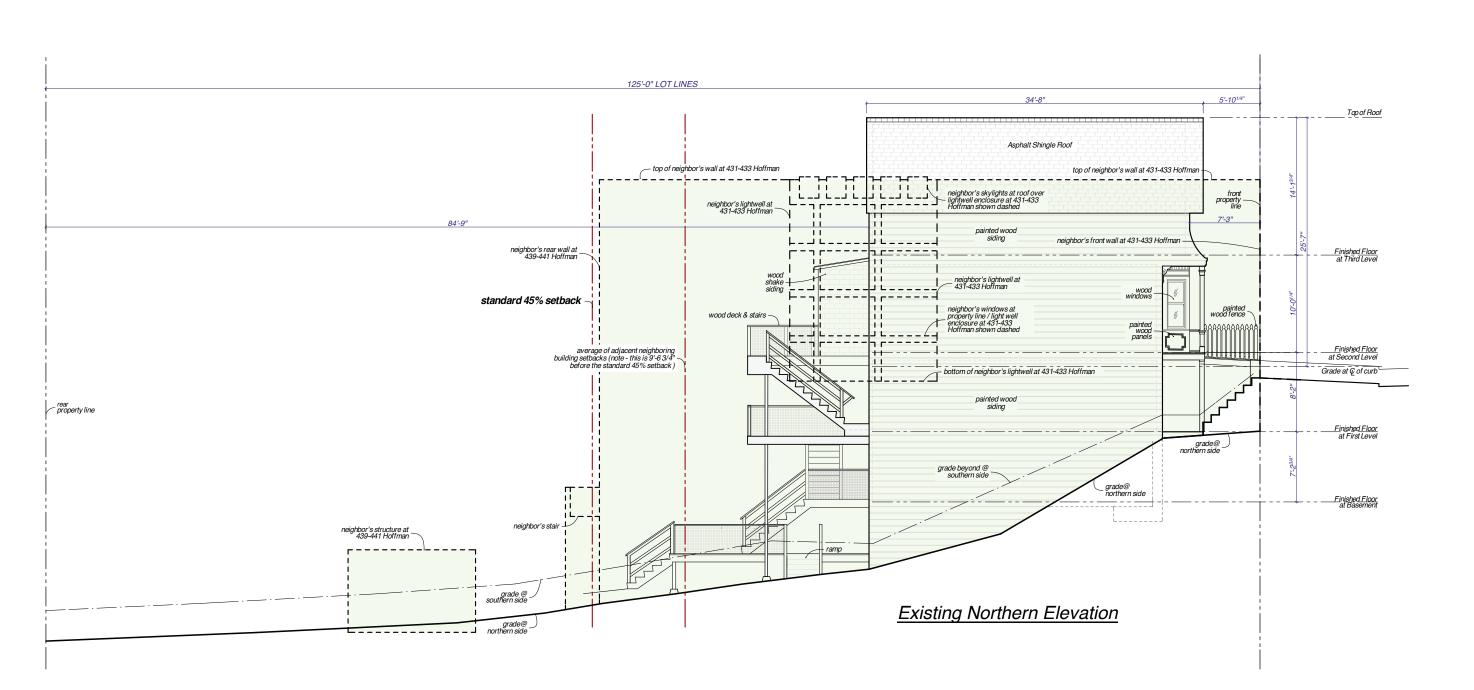














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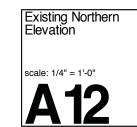
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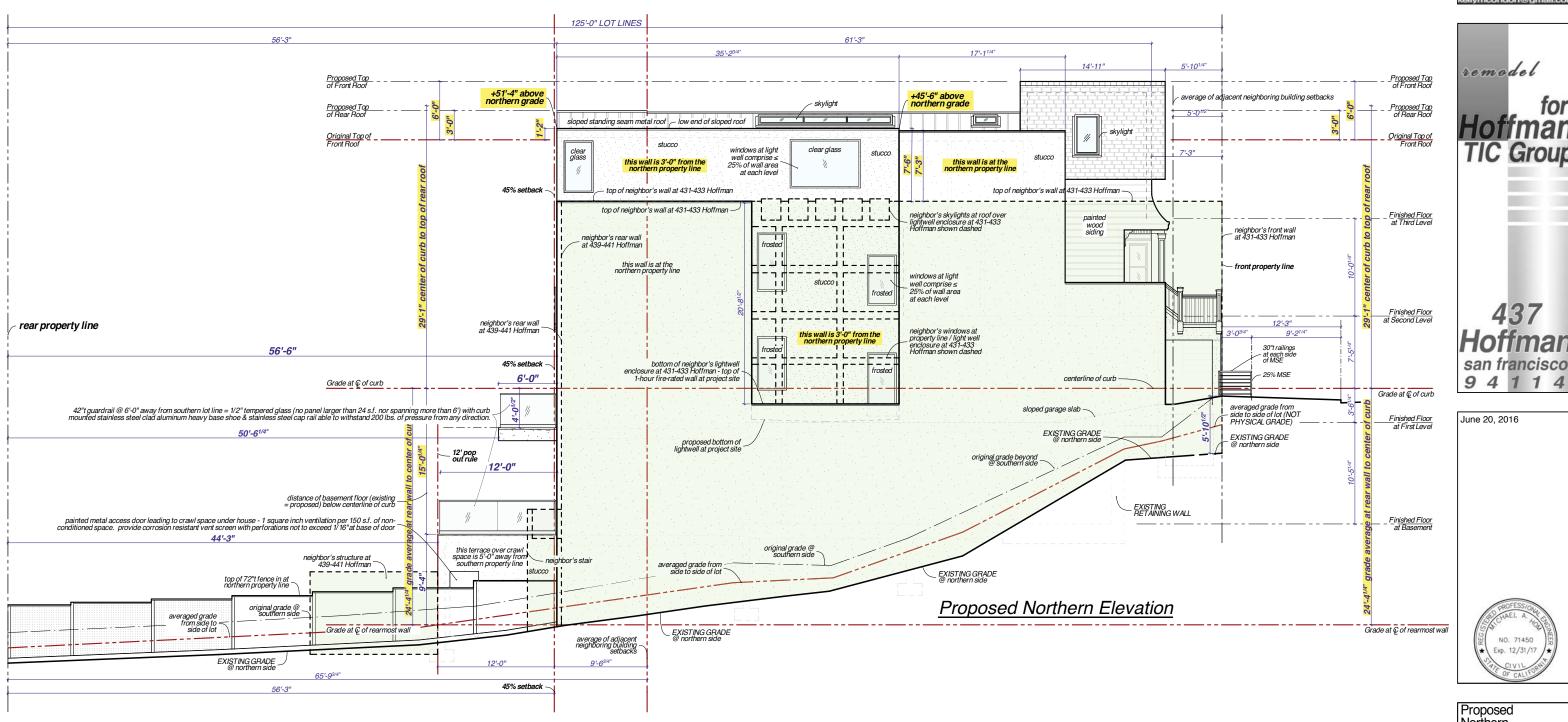
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