DEVELOPMENT REVIEW COMMITTEE APPLICATION for Review of Zoning Variances and Special Exceptions

This is not to be completed online. Please DOWNLOAD this form.

If you have applied for a Zoning Permit from the Philadelphia Department of Licenses and Inspections and received a Refusal or Referral, you may choose to file an appeal. If you do, you will be referred to the Chestnut Hill Community Association for RCO review. To initiate that process we ask you to fill out this application, and submit it to us, along with a copy of the Refusal or Referral, your Appeal, plans (site, floor, elevation), photographs of the property and surrounding area, and any other documentation you feel would be helpful.)..

Please send this information to RCO-CHCA@chestnuthill.org or deliver it to 8434 Germantown Avenue. 19118

If you have questions, please call the Executive Director at Town Hall (215-248-8811) or e-mail

RCO-CHCA@chestnuthill.org. In order to be included on our meeting agendas, you need to initiate contact with us no less than 8 days in advance of the next DRC meeting, which is held on the third Tuesday of every month.

The CHCA review process provides opportunities for your application to be reviewed by professionals, community members and organizations, over the course of 3-5 regularly-scheduled meetings. The process typically spans 37-44 days. Occasionally, revisions are requested that may lengthen the process. Participation in the review process is the only way your application can receive a letter of support from the CHCA Board.

We appreciate your submitting this information early in your process, even preliminary to having a ZBA hearing date. The sooner we hear from you, the better we are able to help you in this process. We look forward to meeting with you, and helping you make a positive contribution to Chestnut Hill. Thank you.

Please DOWNLOAD this form; PRINT or TYPE and complete only the applicable sections:

To erect a	free-standing 244 SF greenhouse	, accessory
existing s	ingle-family residence.	
Property Addr	ess or Specific Location:	
400 East	Evergreen Avenue, Philadelphia, I	PA 19118
Name of Own	er(s) of Property or Location: _ David and Va	alerie Maher
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13) Notification to Neighbors: The City of Philadelphia requires applicants for variances and special exceptions to notify neighbors within a specified radius of your property. This notification must state that you will be presenting your plans to the community and include the property address, date, time and location of the meeting. Instructions and a list of specific addresses for notification are provided to applicants by the Philadelphia City Planning Commission. (You will first need to file an Appeal with the Philadelphia Zoning Board of Adjustment in order to obtain these instructions and addresses.)

Directions on how to proceed with notifications can be found at: https://www.phila.gov/rconotification/

IMPORTANT: We ask that you contact us prior to sending out neighbor notices so we can confirm the meeting date with you.

14)	Please provide the addresses of neighbors adjoining and across from your proposed development.
	Before a recommendation can be made by the DRC to the CHCA Board, signed letters or petitions
	indicating the responses of the adjoining neighbors are requested.
	8431 Prospect Avenue

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8432	2 Pros	spect Avenu	ie					
398	East	Evergreen	Avenue					
401	East	Evergreen	Avenue	a.k.a.	8603	Prospect	Avenue	(multi-unit
410	East	Evergreen	Avenue					

15)	Operational Impacts: Please check the items below that may cause the proposed development to
	have operational impacts on immediate neighbors, businesses, and the surrounding community.

☐ change in off-street parking demand	☐ fencing or landscaping along adjoining properties
☐ change in on-street parking demand	☐ increased noise levels
☐ change in pedestrian circulation	☐ increased odors
☐ change in vehicular circulation	□ blocked views
□ hours of operation	☐ increased outdoor lighting
□ access and timing of goods delivery	□ party walls
☐ access and timing of waste removal	☐ change in utility demand
□ number of customers/day	□ number of employees
□ other impacts (please specify)	

Please attach statements or diagrams of how you plan to address each of these items.

Historic Significance: Please indicate the historic significance of the property (i.e., date of construction, style of architecture, architect if known, National Historic Register status.) The Chestnut Hill Conservancy has documented nearly every existing structure and can provide you with this information. Contact 215-247-9329, Ext 205
2 1/2-story, 3-rank, stone Italianate dwelling originally
constructed between 1861 and 1865; additions and other
modifications dating from 1913, 1917, and 1928; 1934 free-standing garage, since demolished. NOT ON NHR.

Historical Context: Please describe the proposal relative to the historical context of the property and the surrounding properties. (If not known, consult the Chestnut Hill Conservancy.)

The proposed greenhouse is small-footprint, low, recessive, and constructed of traditional materials compatible with the surrounding historical neighborhood.

Environmental Assessment: Please describe the proposal relative to the environmental context of the property and the surrounding properties (e.g., removal of tanks, trees, hedges, walls).

The proposed greenhouse does not require the removal of trees or hedges. Minor related grading work will require the removal of an existing low retaining wall directly to the rear of the dwelling.

19) Wissahickon Watershed: Chestnut Hill lies entirely within the Wissahickon Watershed. A City of Philadelphia ordinance restricts all development within the Watershed with regard to set backs from water courses, site clearing and construction activity on steep slopes (greater than 15 percent), impervious coverage ratios, and some earth-moving activity. Describe the effect of your proposed project on the Watershed. Contact 215-247-0417 – for the Friends of the Wissahickon for more information

The proposed development will not have any effect on the
Wissahickon Watershed.

* * * * * IF THIS IS A RESIDENTIAL PROPOSAL, STOP HERE AND SIGN FINAL PAGE * * * * *

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	Color(s) Dimensions (WxLxH)			
	Material (please include sample)			
	Will awning(s) cover important façade features (e.g., wood moldings, stained glass, etc.)?			
	Purpose for awning(s) Intended graphics/type			
30)	Façade*: Please describe the proposed alterations to the current façade.			
31)	Security Systems*: Please describe any security systems you plan to install.			
*NOT	E: The City of Philadelphia may require s	eparate permits for these items outside of the ZBA p		
*NOT 32)	Hours of Operation: Please describe yo			
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Notice of: ⊠ Refusal □ Referral

Application Number: ZP-2023-001958	Zoning District(s): RSD1	Date of Refusal: 4/21/2023
Address/Location: 400 E EVERGREEN AVE, Philadelp Parcel (PWD Record)	ohia, PA 19118-2827	Page Number Page 1 of 1
Applicant Name: Rasmussen Su DBA: Rasmussen Su	Applicant Address: 1710 North Street Philadelphia, PA 19130 USA	Civic Design Review? N

Application for:

DEMOLITION OF EXISTING MASONRY STEPS AND KNEEWALL. ERECTION OF AN ACCESSORY AGRICULTURAL STRUCTURE (MORE THAN 180 DAYS). THE PROPOSED ACCESSORY STRUCTURE IS ACCESSORY TO AN EXISTING SINGLE FAMILY HOUSEHOLD LIVING. SIZE AND LOCATION AS PER PLAN.

The permit for the above location cannot be issued because the proposal does not comply with the following provisions of the Philadelphia Zoning Code. (Codes can be accessed at www.phila.gov.)

Code Section(s):	Code Section Title(s):	Reason for Refusal:
14-604(1)(d)	Accessory Uses and Structures.	An accessory structure for a residential use shall not exceed 130 sq. ft. Whereas the proposed accessory agricultural structure is 244.69 sq. ft.

ONE (1) ZONING REFUSAL

Fee to File Appeal: \$300

NOTES TO THE ZBA:

Enter notes here...

Parcel Owner:

MAHER DAVID P TR. MAHER VALERIE J TR

<u>Haoying Ye</u> PLANS EXAMINER

<u>4/21/2023</u> DATE SIGNED City of Philadelphia Zoning Board of Adjustment



Application for Appeal

CALENDAR # _____ (FOR OFFICE USE ONLY)

WHEN COMPLETED, MAIL TO:

CITY OF PHILADELPHIA
Department of Planning & Development
Zoning Board of Adjustment
One Parkway Building
1515 Arch St, 18th Floor
Philadelphia, PA 19102

APPLICANT MUST COMPLETE ALL INFORMATION BELOW. PRINT CLEARLY AND PROVIDE FULL DETAILS				
LOCATION OF PROPERTY (LEGAL ADDRESS)				
400 East Evergreen Avenue, Philadelph	ia, PA 19118 OPA #091125700			
PROPERTY OWNER'S NAME:	PROPERTY OWNER'S ADDRESS (INCLUDE CITY, STATE, AND ZIP)			
David & Valerie Maher	400 East Evergreen Avenue			
PHONE #: 408-813-2843	Philadelphia, PA 19118			
E-MAIL:dave@davemaher.org				
A CORPORATION MUST BE REPRESENTED BY AN AT	TORNEY LICENSED TO PRACTICE IN PENNSYLVANIA			
APPLICANT:	APPLICANT'S ADDRESS (INCLUDE CITY, STATE, AND ZIP)			
David & Valerie Maher	400 East Evergreen Avenue			
FIRM/COMPANY:	Philadelphia, PA 19118			
PHONE #: 408-813-2843	E-MAIL: dave@davemaher.org			
RELATIONSHIP TO OWNER:	GN PROFESSIONAL O CONTRACTOR EXPEDITOR OTHER			
APPEAL RELATED TO ZONING/USE REGISTRATION PERMIT APPLICATION	DN# ZP-2023-001958			
	N OF EACH OF THE FOLLOWING CRITERIA ASREQUIRED FOR THE FA VARIANCE:			
Does compliance with the requirements of the zoning code cause an unnece your property? Did any action on your part cause or create the special conditions.				
The applicant proposes the erection of a small freestanding greenhouse, an accessory use and structure type fully compliant with the Zoning Code and in keeping with the residential use of the property. The proposed greenhouse is fully consistent with other accessory structures and the predominant residential character of the neighborhood. The grant of requested the variance would obviate an existing unnecessary hardship caused by the size, shape, contours, and physical dimensions of the property. Such hardship was not caused or created by the applicant.				
Will the variance you seek represent the least modification possible of the co	de provision to provide relief from therequirements of the zoning code?			
The requested variance represents the least modification possible to the Code to provide relief. The applicant seeks relief from a single refusal for a de minimis dimensional deviation from the Code. The proposed greenhouse meets all setbacks, open area, height, and use requirements for the property.				
Will the variance you seek increase congestion in public streets or in any wa	y endanger the public? Explain.			
The requested variance will not increase congestion in public streets or in any way endanger the public. The proposed greenhouse will not increase the occupancy, frequency of use, or visitorship of the property.				

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Will the variance you seek substantially or permanently harm your neighbors' use of their properties or impair anadequate supply of light and air to those properties? Explain.

The requested variance will not substantially or permanently harm neighbors' use of their properties or impair an adequate supply of light and air to those properties. The proposed greenhouse meets all setbacks, open area, and height requirements for the property.

Will the variance you seek substantially increase traffic congestion in public streets or place undue burden on water, sewer, school park or other public facilities? Explain.

The requested variance will not increase traffic congestion in public streets or place undue burden on water, sewer, school, park, or other public facilities. The proposed greenhouse will not increase the occupancy, frequency of use, or visitorship of the property. The proposed greenhouse complies with all impervious and disturbance area requirements for the property.

Will the variance you seek create environmental damage, pollution, erosion, or siltation, or increase the danger offlooding? Explain.

The requested variance will not create environmental damage, pollution, erosion, or siltation, or increase the danger of flooding. The proposed greenhouse complies with all impervious and disturbance area requirements for the property.

REASONS FOR APPEAL:

The grant of the requested variance will be in harmony with the spirit and purpose of the Zoning Code, while failure to grant relief will result in unnecessary hardship. The variance represents reasonable adjustments from the governing regulations to allow for the continued use of the property as a single-family residence. The requested variance would comport with comprehensive planning principles for the surrounding community, which includes many freestanding accessory structures. The applicant reserves the right to supplement its reasons for appeal at the time of hearing.

I hereby certify that the statements contained herein are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. I understandthat if I knowingly make any false statements herein I am subject to possible revocation of any licenses issued as result of myfalse application, and such other penalties as may be prescribed by law.

Applicant's Signature:

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2023

DATE YEA

City of Philadelphia
Zoning Board of Adjustment

Application for Appeal

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David and Valerie Maher 400 East Evergreen Avenue Philadelphia, PA 19118

2 June 2023

Re: 400 East Evergreen Avenue, Philadelphia, PA 19118

Dear Registered Community Organization or Neighbor:

This is a notification of a **PUBLIC MEETING** to discuss the project described below. All Registered Community Organizations that have geographic boundaries containing the project property and all community members are welcome to attend.

Property Owner: David and Valerie Maher, 400 East Evergreen Avenue, Philadelphia, PA 19118 **Property Description:**

Located at the eastern corner of the intersection of East Evergreen Avenue and Prospect Avenue in the neighborhood of Chestnut Hill, 400 East Evergreen Avenue is an approximately half-acre lot, zoned RSD-1 Residential Single Family, currently in use as an owner-occupied, single-family detached dwelling.

Project Description:

The applicant proposes to construct a 244 SF free-standing private greenhouse in the rear (eastern) corner of the property. The proposed structure will measure 20'-3" long x 12'-1" wide x 13' tall. A single variance is required for the size of the proposed structure, which will exceed by 114 SF the maximum area allowed by code for residential accessory structures such as a free-standing private greenhouse.

Summary of Refusal:

The refusal issued by L & I is attached and reads as follows: An accessory structure for a residential use shall not exceed 130 sq. ft. Whereas the proposed accessory agricultural structure is 244.69 sq. ft.

The Chestnut Hill Community Association as Coordinating RCO has scheduled a **PUBLIC MEETING** in advance of a public hearing to discuss the project at the following date, time and location:

Public Meeting Date & Time: Tuesday, 18 July 2023, at 7:00 pm EST

Location: Online via Zoom; link to be posted at https://www.chestnuthill.org/2023_upcoming_meetings.php

Please review the zoning posters for the date of the **PUBLIC HEARING** to be held by the City of Philadelphia Zoning Board of Adjustment located at 1515 Arch Street, 18th Floor, Philadelphia, PA 19102 (or online via Zoom) on the issue. The ZBA hearing date, along with hearing access instructions, can also be found at the ZBA hearing calendar site, here: https://www.phila.gov/zba/appeals-calendar

For reference, contact information for all affected Registered Community Organizations and the District Councilperson is provided as follows:

District 8 Councilperson Cindy Bass charles.Richardson@Phila.gov Chestnut Hill Community Association RCO-CHCA@chestnuthill.org

Chestnut Hill Conservancy patricia@patriciacove.com

The applicant believes application materials related to this proposal may be found at the offices of the Department of Licenses & Inspections, 1401 John F. Kennedy Boulevard, Concourse Level, Philadelphia, PA 19102 and that the application for appeal will be available at the offices of the Zoning Board of Adjustment, 1401 John F. Kennedy Boulevard, 11th Floor, Philadelphia, PA 19102.

If you have received this notice as the owner, managing agent, or other responsible person at a multi-unit building, you are requested to post this notice at a prominent place in a common area of your building.

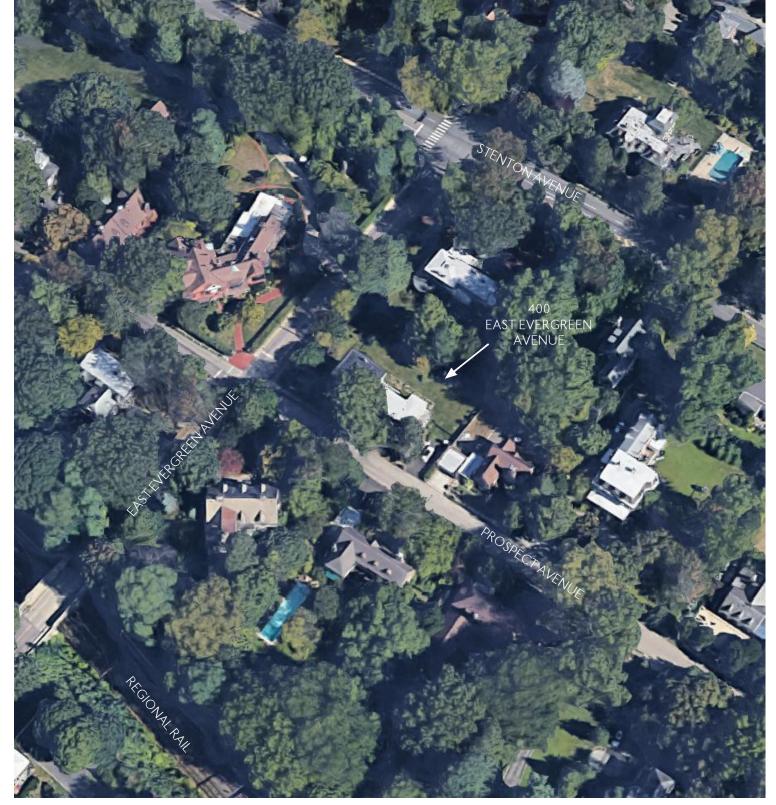
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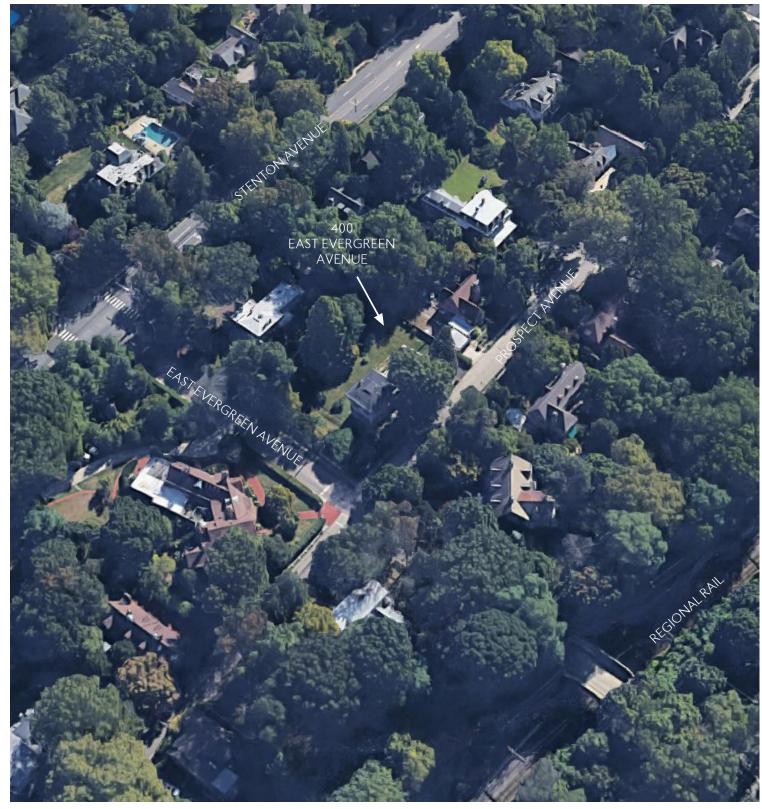
David and Valerie Maher

cc: Office of Councilperson Cindy Bass at chardson@Phila.gov; Planning Commission at rec.notification@phila.gov; Chestnut Hill Community Association at RCO-CHCA@chestnuthill.org; Chestnut Hill Conservancy patricia@patriciacove.com; ZBA at rcozba@phila.gov







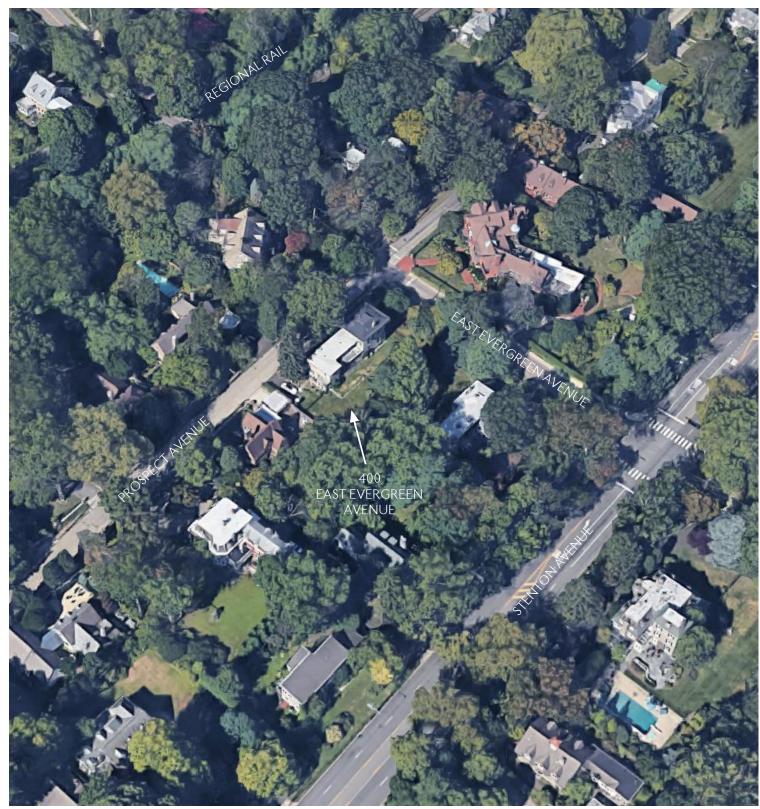


AERIAL VIEW FROM SOUTH

AERIAL VIEW FROM WEST



AERIAL VIEW FROM NORTH



AERIAL VIEW FROM EAST



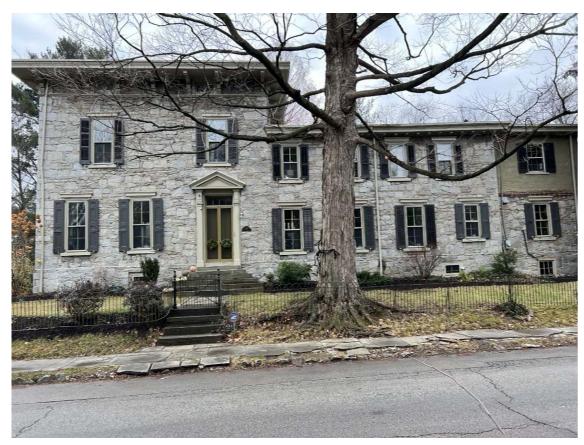
EAST EVERGREEN AVENUE FROM STENTON SOUTHWEST TOWARD PROSPECT



PROSPECT AVENUE FROM EAST EVERGREEN SOUTHEAST TOWARD GRAVERS



VIEW FROM EVERGREEN LOOKING SOUTHEAST



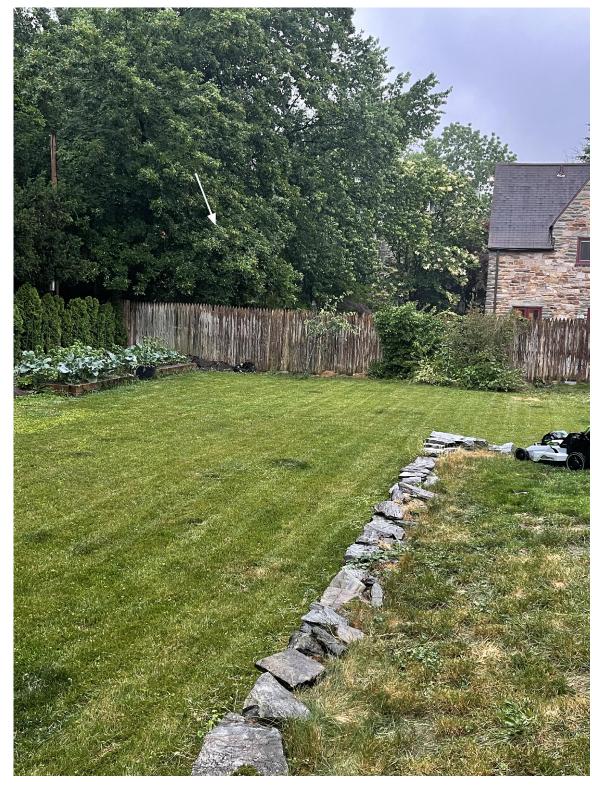
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VIEW FROM REAR YARD LOOKING WEST



VIEW FROM SIDE YARD LOOKING NORTHWEST



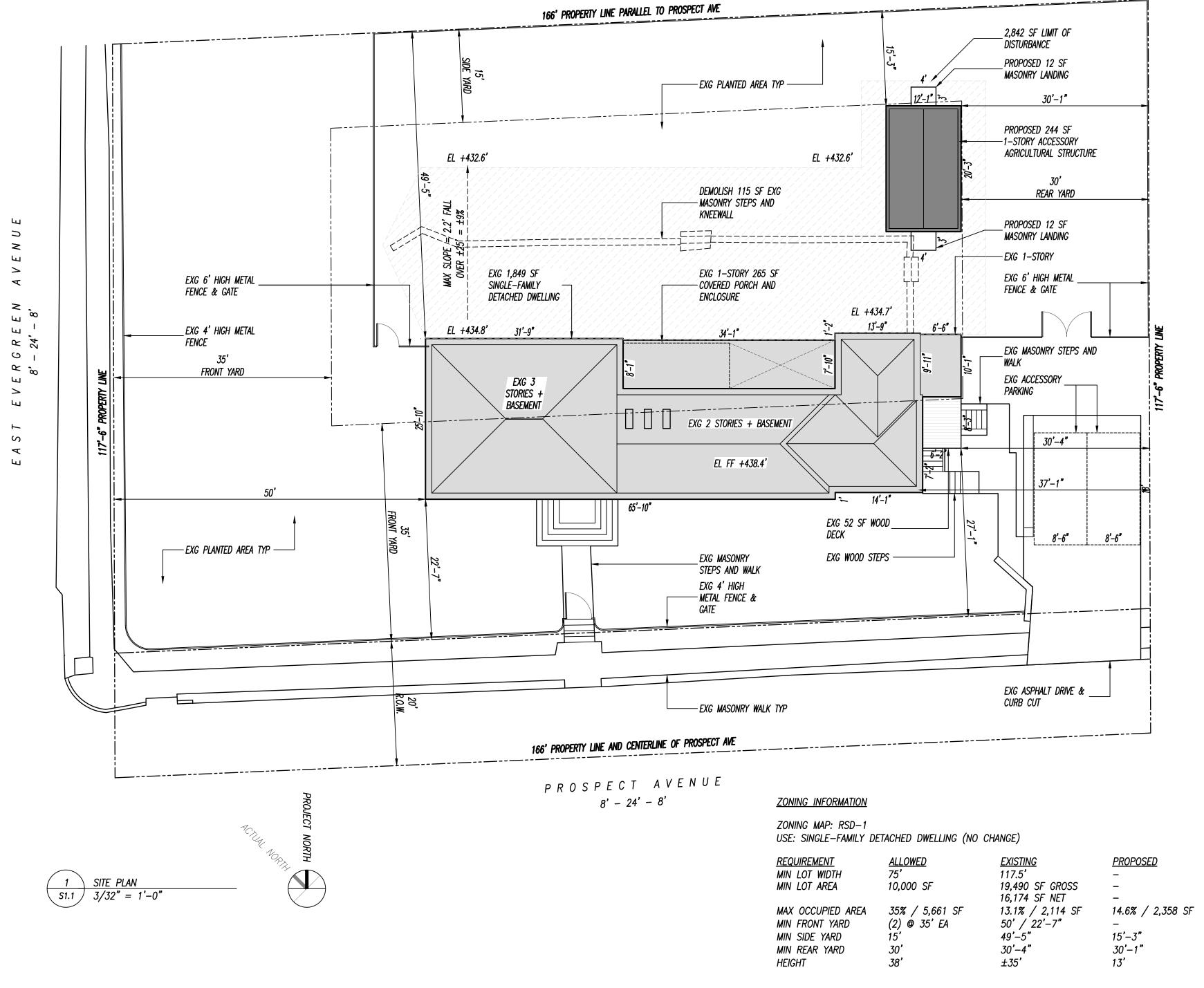
VIEW FROM REAR YARD EAST TOWARD SITE OF PROPOSED GREENHOUSE



VIEW FROM SIDE YARD NORTHEAST TOWARD SITE OF PROPOSED GREENHOUSE







WISSAHICKON WATERSHED DESIGNATION

CATEGORY 5

IMPERVIOUS AREA CALCULATIONS

ALLOWED: NO LIMIT
EXISTING: 3,246 SF / 20%
PROPOSED: 3,399 SF / 21%

DISTANCE TO STREAM/SWALE

MIN ALLOWED: 200' / 50' EXISTING: 3,400' / 1,000'

STEEP SLOPES

NONE

<u>DISTURBED AREA</u>

SEE SITE PLAN



S1.1

Site Plan

Zoning Permit 17 February 2023

Greenhouse

400 East Evergreen Avenue Philadelphia, PA 19118

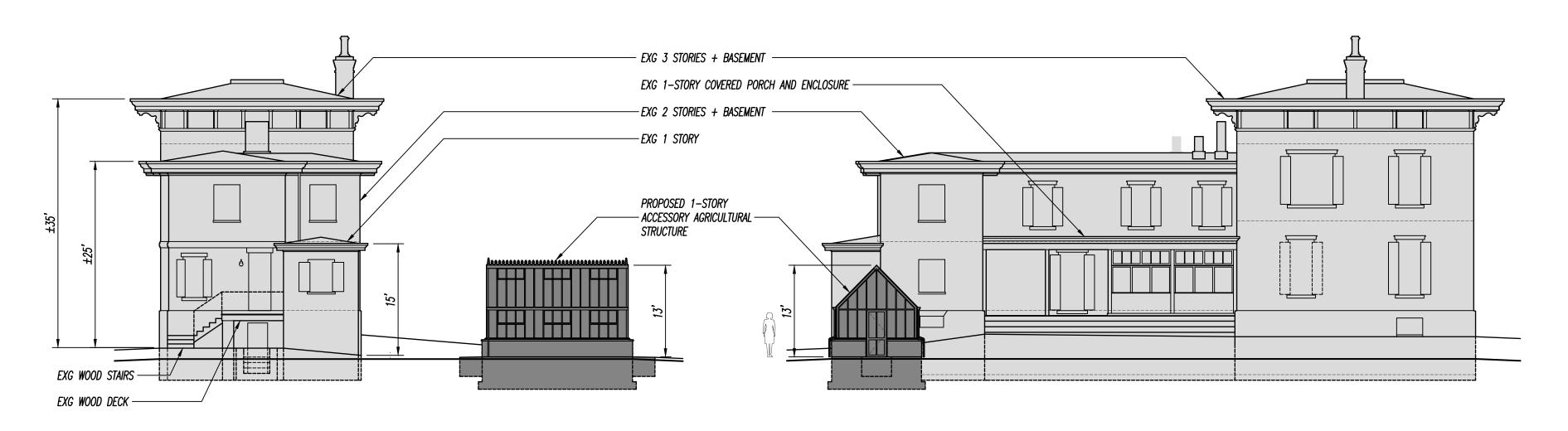
Owner

David and Valerie Maher 400 East Evergreen Avenue Philadelphia, PA 19118

RASMUSSEN/SU Architects

1710 North Street Philadelphia, Pa. 19130 phone 2157695965 info@rasmussen-su.com www.rasmussen-su.com

NOTE: PROPOSED ACCESSORY AGRICULTURAL STRUCTURE TO BE ERECTED FOR MORE THAN 180 DAYS.



ZONING INFORMATION

SEE SHEET S1.1

S2.1

Site Elevations

Zoning Permit 17 February 2023

Greenhouse

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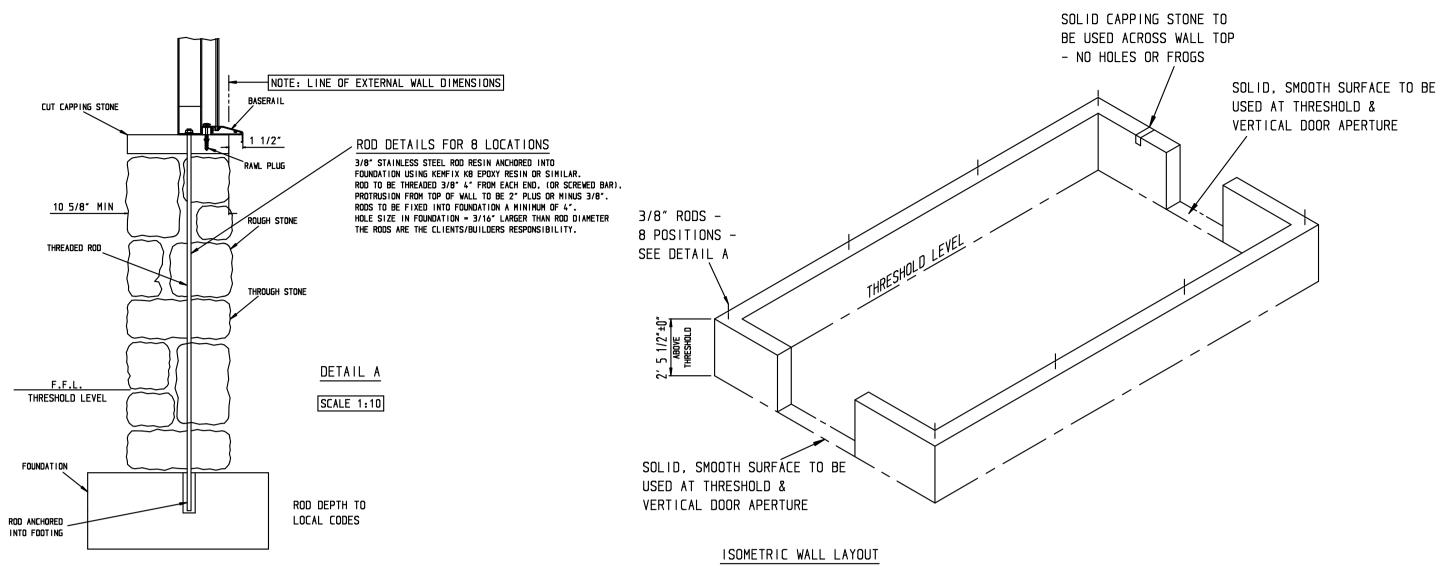
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R A S M U S S E N / S U

Architects
1710 North Street
Philadelphia, Pa. 19130
phone 215 769 5965
info@rasmussen-su.com
www.rasmussen-su.com

IMPORTANT NOTE: ALL BASE DIMENSIONS TO BE WITHIN PLUS OR MINUS 1/4" UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED



IMPORTANT NOTE IF THE 10 5/8" WALL DIMENSIONS IS TO CHANGE THEN HARTLEY BOTANIC MUST BE NOTIFIED IMMEDIATELY. 19' 2 3/4" 4 1/8" 6′ 3″ 6′ 1/2″ 6′3″ 4 1/8" PLEASE NOTE: CLIENT / BUILDER TO INSTALL RODS - SEE DETAIL A WALL PLAN SHOWING ROD POSITIONS - SEE DETAIL A WALL PLAN PLEASE NOTE: IF THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE WALL IS TO BE OF DIFFERENT MATERIALS OR THICKNESSES THAN THOSE SPECIFIED HERE, HARTLEY INC. MUST BE NOTIFIED SO THAT NEW PLANS CAN BE ISSUED TO SUIT. ^/^//

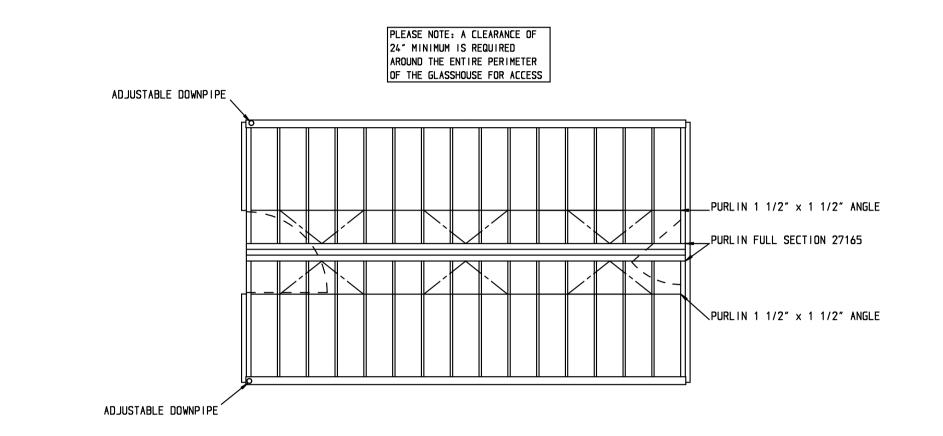
Please review the plan's details and specifications thoroughly Should you have any questions, please reach out immediately. If not, your signature below is an agreement to confirm your understanding of the plans, and an approval to begin the manufacturing of your structure. Any changes following the approval signature below, will result in additional charges. Authorized Signature.....

|Date....

PLEASE READ ALL INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE COMMENCING, IF YOU HAVE ANY DOUBTS AS TO THE SPECIFICATIONS THAT WE REQUIRE PLEASE CONTACT HARTLEY BOTANIC INC.

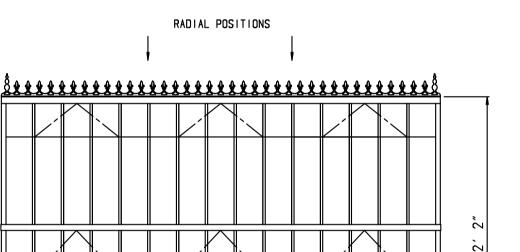
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IF IN DOUBT CONTACT HARTLEY BOTANIC



PLAN VIEW

LEFT ELEVATION



2' 3 3/4" ACCESS WIDTH FRONT ELEVATION

THRESHOLD AND INTERIOR PATH LEVEL WHICH SHOULD BE SLIGHTLY ABOVE NORMAL GROUND LEVEL THE THRESHOLD LEVEL IS THE LEVEL AT WHICH THE DOOR WILL OPERATE WITH NORMAL CLEARANCE THIS SHOULD BE THE FINISHED FLOOR LEVEL INSIDE THE GLASSHOUSE. WALLTOP TO BE 2' 5 1/2" PLUS OR MINUS O" ABOVE THRESHOLD.

NOTES RELATING TO FOUNDATION AND WALLING (CLIENTS RESPONSIBILITY)

Type of Mortar (portion by volume)	
Cement: Lime: Sand	1: 1:5 to 6
Masonry Cement: Sand	1:4 to 5
Cement: Sand with Plasticizer	1:5 to 6

The mixing and use of mortars should be in accordance with the recommendations given in BS5268: part 3 or BS5390. Ready mix mortars should comply with the requirements of BS4721 and be equivalent to the above specification.

The foundation should be of suitable depth and thickness depending on

Stone masonry should be constructed to the British Standard BS5390:1976 (1984). All materials used must correspond to BS5390:1976 (1984).

Client/Builder to install wall rods & lead flashing if not otherwise specified.

Stonework walling is divided into two categories.
i) Rubblework - Consists of blocks of stone that are either undressed or comparatively roughly dressed and having wide joints
ii) Ashlar - Consisting or walls constructed or blocks which are carefully dressed or wrought stone

The following guidelines have to be adhered to when using

RUBBLE WORK

with narrow joints.

a) The bond should be sound both transversely and longitudinally.
b) Stones shall be adequately distributed to allow the load to be spread equally across the wall.
c) Long continuous vertical joints must be avoided.

d) Header stones must be used and must span the full width of the wall.
e) The width of the footings must be at least twice the thickness of the wall (This is at the clients

discretion to suit local ground conditions.)

f) Satisfactory stability may be assured by using a through stone the full thickness of the wall. This is approximately one in every square yard.

ASHLAR

a) The thickness of the joints is to be approximately 1/8".

b) Stone must be cut square.

c) Adequate bond of the stones is achieved by the blocks width being between 2 or 3 times the height of the stone. If unequal settlement occurs or the stone is over the sizes given above the stonework may fracture.

GENERAL NOTES: STRUCTURE BUILT IN ALUMINIUM ALLOY POLYESTER POWDER COATED BLACK OLIVE RAL 6015 ROOF VENTS OPERATED BY AUTOVENTS

3' 4 3/4"

VERTICAL FACE VENTS OPERATED BY MANUAL SWING THROWS GLAZED IN TOUGHENED SAFETY GLASS

CAST ALUMINIUM RIDGE CRESTING & FINIALS FITTED TO RIDGE ALUMINIUM SWING DOOR COMPLETE WITH LOCKS & HANDLES

OGEE ALUMINIUM GUTTERS

THESE DETAILS MUST BE ADHERED TO

IF YOU HAVE DOUBTS RELATING TO THESE DETAILS

PLEASE CONTACT HARTLEY BOTANIC INC

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SCALE FOR DRAWING IN FEET

DESCRIPTION:

GENERAL ARRANGEMENT DRAWING THE VICTORIAN GALLERY GLASSHOUSE

HARTLEY BOTANIC INC 340C Fordham Road Wilmington, MA 01887 Tel: 781 933 1993

CHECKED: MODIFICATION:

CLIENT:- DAVE & VALERIE MAHER

PA 19118

PHILADELPHIA

400 E EVERGREEN AVE

3rd ANGLE

PROJECTION

DATE: MARCH 13 2023 1:50 DRAWING No: ORDER No: SY25508-001 SY25508 ISSUE A