

PHILIPPINE CULTURAL FOUNDATION, INC.

Philippine Cultural Enrichment Complex

Bayanihan Arts Center

"Our legacy to future generations"

August 24, 2010

Department of Community Affairs
FLORIDA BLDG. COMMISSION
2555 Shumard Oak Boulevard
Tallahassee, FL 32399-2100

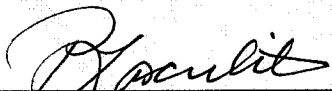
Subject: REQUEST FOR WAIVER FROM ACCESSIBILITY REQUIREMENTS
Project: Bahay Kubo (Philippine Heritage Home)
Applicant: Philippine Cultural Foundation, Inc.
Location: 14301 Nine Eagles Drive, Tampa, Florida

Gentlemen:

The Philippine Cultural Foundation, Inc. hereby submits a REQUEST FOR WAIVER FROM ACCESSIBILITY REQUIREMENTS OF CAPTER 553, PART V, FLORIDA STATUTES. All of the information as indicated in the "List of Required Information" are enclosed. We trust that you will find this application complete.

Should you have any questions or need additional information, please call the undersigned at (863) 521-0222 or email him at RogerC@rclandengineering.com. Your prompt attention and consideration to this request is highly appreciated.

Sincerely,
PHILIPPINE CULTURAL FOUNDATION, INC.

By:  8/24/10
By Roger L. Caculitan, Chairman of the Board

/enclosure

cc: Julius Vincent Reyes, Secretary - no attachments



14301 Nine Eagles Drive, Tampa, Florida 33626-3042
Tel. No. (813) 925-1232 Fax (813) 818-9599
Website: www.bayanihan-philfest.org

**REQUEST FOR WAIVER FROM ACCESSIBILITY REQUIREMENTS
OF CHAPTER 553, PART V, FLORIDA STATUTES**

Your application will be reviewed by the Accessibility Advisory Council and its recommendations will be presented to the Florida Building Commission. You will have the opportunity to answer questions and/or make a short presentation, not to exceed 15 minutes, at each meeting. The Commission will consider all information presented and the Council's recommendation before voting on the waiver request.

1. Name and address of project for which the waiver is requested.

Name: BAHAY KUBO (PHILIPPINE HERITAGE HOME)

Address: 14301 Nine Eagles Drive, Tampa, Florida 33626

Name of Applicant. If other than the owner, please indicate relationship of applicant to owner and written authorization by owner in space provided:

Applicant's Name: Roger L. Caculitan

Applicant's Address: 1203 Kinsmen Dr., Auburndale, FL 33823

Applicant's Telephone: (863) 965-2128 **FAX:** (863) 967-6938

Applicant's E-mail Address: RogerC@rclandengineering.com

Relationship to Owner: Chairman of the Board

Owner's Name: Philippine Cultural Foundation, Inc.

Owner's Address: 14301 Nine Eagles Drive, Tampa, FL 33626

Owner's Telephone: (813) 925-1232 **FAX** (813) 855-4568

Owner's E-mail Address: RogerC@rclandengineering.com

Signature of Owner: _____

Contact Person: Roger L. Caculitan

Contact Person's Telephone: (863) 965-2128

E-mail Address: RogerC@rclandengineering.com this application is available in alternate formats upon request.

Form No. 2001-01

3. Please check one of the following:

New construction.

Addition to a building or facility.

Alteration to an existing building or facility.

Historical preservation (addition).

Historical preservation (alteration).

4. **Type of facility.** Please describe the building (square footage, number of floors). Define the use of the building (i.e., restaurant, office, retail, recreation, hotel/motel, etc.)

The structure being constructed is called "BAHAY KUBO" , which is a replica of a Philippine Heritage Home. It is a thatched hut with bamboo exterior wall finish. The purpose is to be used as a model to show the second generation Filipinos and the general public the type of houses they had in the Philippines. It is a single story building, 636 square feet in size. The structure itself is constructed in accordance with the Florida Building Code with the Building Permit issued by Hillsborough County. The exterior is finished with bamboos and synthetic thatch to give it the "Bahay Kubo" appearance.

5. **Project Construction Cost (Provide cost for new construction, the addition or the alteration):**

The total project cost is approximately \$75,000.00 which includes all materials and labor for constructing the structure, finishing, landscaping and site preparation. The estimated cost for the "HANDICAPPED RAMP" itself is \$10,000.00 (please refer to the attached construction estimates.

6. **Project Status:** Please check the phase of construction that best describes your project at the time of this application. Describe status.

Under Design Under Construction*

In Plan Review Completed*

* Briefly explain why the request has now been referred to the Commission.

According to Hillsborough County Building Permitting Department, accessibility waiver is under the jurisdiction of the State.

7. **Requirements requested to be waived.** Please reference the applicable section of Florida law. Only Florida-specific accessibility requirements may be waived.

Issue

1: Florida Building Code Chapter 11, Part A, Section 11-4.8 – ingress and egress for a new public building.

Issue

2: _____

Issue

3: _____

8. **Reason(s) for Waiver Request:** The Florida Building Commission may grant waivers of Florida-specific accessibility requirements upon a determination of unnecessary, unreasonable or extreme hardship. Please describe how this project meets the following hardship criteria. Explain all that would apply for consideration of granting the waiver.

The hardship is caused by a condition or set of conditions affecting the owner which does not affect owners in general.

The requirements of the Florida Building Code for ingress and egress for a new public or commercial building does not apply in this case. The building (Bahay Kubo) is not intended to be occupied. It is only a display and the displayed features are on the outside finish and design of the structure. People do not need to go inside to appreciate it. As shown in some of the attached pictures, we are in the process of installing exterior bamboo finishing on the exterior walls and thatch on the roof.

The Philippine Cultural Foundation, Inc. (PCFI) owns a 10-acre property at 14301 Nine Eagles Drive, Tampa, Florida. Every year PCFI holds a Cultural Festival Event open to the public. In this event, it showcases Philippine art, music, folk dances, foods, costumes, etc. The Bahay Kubo will be an added feature of the Philippine Culture. It is a replica of a Philippine Heritage Home.

Substantial financial costs will be incurred by the owner if the waiver is denied.

The owner (Philippine Cultural Foundation, Inc.) is a not for profit organization under 501(c)(3) and it raises its funds through various fund raising events. The cost of constructing the ramp (see attached cost estimates) is at least \$10,000.00. This is substantial cost for an unnecessary accessory to a facility that may never be used.

[X] The owner has made a **diligent investigation** into the costs of compliance with the code, but cannot find an efficient mode of compliance. Provide detailed cost estimates and, where appropriate, photographs. Cost estimates must include bids and quotes.

The owner found that the most cost efficient design for the handicapped ramp is as shown on the attached drawings. The construction cost of the ramp as shown by the two quotes received from two contractors is at least \$10,000.00.

9. Provide documented cost estimates for each portion of the waiver request and identify any additional supporting data which may affect the cost estimates. For example, for vertical accessibility, the lowest documented cost of an elevator, ramp, lift or other method of providing vertical accessibility should be provided, documented by quotations or bids from at least two vendors or contractors.

a. As indicated above, the minimum cost of a ramp as shown in the attached drawings is \$10,000.00.

b. The alternate methods of providing vertical accessibility, such as elevator and lift are not practical in this situation – they are not cost effective.

10. **Licensed Design Professional:** Where a licensed design professional has designed the project, his or her comments **MUST** be included and certified by signature and affixing of his or her professional seal. The comments must include the reason(s) why the waiver is necessary.

The undersigned Engineer has designed the project including the site plan for PCFI. The waiver is required so that the Hillsborough Building Permit Department can issue a Certificate of Occupancy. Because the building is not intended for occupancy, the handicapped ramp is not necessary.

 8/24/10 _____
Signature Printed Name Roger L. Caculitan License #: 40902

Phone number (863) 965-2128 _____

(SEAL)



CERTIFICATION OF APPLICANT:

I hereby swear or affirm that the applicable documents in support of this Request for Waiver are attached for review by the Florida Building Commission and that all statements made in this application are to the best of my knowledge true and correct.

Dated this 24th day of August, 2010



Signature

Roger L. Caculitan

Printed Name

By signing this application, the applicant represents that the information in it is true, accurate and complete. If the applicant misrepresents or omits any material information, the Commission may revoke any order and will notify the building official of the permitting jurisdiction. Providing false information to the Commission is punishable as a misdemeanor under Section 775.083, Florida Statutes.

REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATION BY LOCAL BUILDING DEPARTMENT.

Please state why the issue is being referred to the Florida Building Commission as well as a recommendation for disposition. The Building Official or his or her designee should review the application and indicate that to the best of his or her knowledge, all information stipulated herein is true and accurate. Further, if this project is complete, explain why it is being referred to the Commission. The Building Official or his or her designee should sign a copy of the plans accompanying this application as certification that such plans are the same as those submitted for building department review. Please reference the applicable section of the Accessibility Code.

a. Florida Building Code Chapter 11, Part A, Section 11-4.8 – ingress and egress for a new public building.

b. _____


c. _____

Has there been any permitted construction activity on this building during the past three years? If so, what was the cost of construction?

Yes [X] No Cost of Construction \$30,000 (PCG 08213) 2/17/10

Comments/Recommendation PER 553.512 FLORIDA STATUTE
REQUIREMENT

Jurisdiction HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY

Building Official or Designee 
Signature

WAYNE A. FRANCIS
Printed Name

BU 1625
Certification Number

813-276-8334 / 813-307-4442
Telephone/FAX

Address: 601 EAST KENNEDY BLVD 19TH FL.
TAMPA, FL 33602

This application is available in alternate formats upon request.

LIST OF REQUIRED INFORMATION:

1. X Drawings that will clearly present your project and that identify the issue(s) that relate to the waiver you are requesting. As a minimum, the following drawings must be submitted:
 - a. Project site plan
 - b. 24" x 36" minimum size drawings
 - c. Building/project sections (if necessary to assist in understanding the waiver request)
 - d. Enlarged floor plan(s) of the area in question

2. X One set of reduced scale (11" x 17") versions of the drawings submitted in item one above.

3. X One set of overhead transparencies (8 ½" x 11") of the drawings submitted in item one above. When numerous features are shown on the drawings, please designate the location of the waiver items by highlighting or outlining in color the affected areas.

4. X When substantial financial cost of compliance is alleged, supporting cost estimates with quotes from at least two vendors or contractors and catalog information.

5. X If you feel photographs and/or renderings are necessary for your presentation, provide 40 legible color photocopies of the photographs and/or renderings. If color photocopies of photographs are provided, use a minimum size of 4" x 6" photographs with a maximum of two photographs per photocopied page.

6. X Please submit a hard copy of this application to the Department of Community Affairs. PLEASE NOTE: Although not required by Rule 9B-7, F.A.C., in addition to the hard copy please include a copy of the application and drawings or plans on a CD in PDF format.

General Information:

- a. **Equipment:** A CD projector is provided at the Accessibility Advisory Council and Florida Building Commission meetings. Any other equipment necessary for your presentation, such as an overhead projector, TV/VCR, slide or LCD projectors, etc., is the responsibility of the applicant.

- b. **Verbal Descriptions:** Presentations may be to sight or hearing impaired persons; visual presentations should consider adequate verbal and text descriptions of charts and pictures.

Your application will be reviewed by the Accessibility Advisory Council. You will have the opportunity to answer questions and/or make a short presentation **not to exceed 15 minutes**. The Council will provide recommendations to the Florida Building Commission. The Commission will review the application. You will have another opportunity to answer questions and /or give a short presentation **not to exceed 15 minutes**. The Commission will consider all information and the Council's recommendation before voting on the waiver.



WEST SIDE - THATCH ROOF AND BAMBOO SIDING
INSTALLATION IN PROGRESS



CLOSE UP OF BAMBOO RAILING AND SIDING



EAST SIDE - BAMBOO SIDING INSTALLATION IN PROGRESS



OTHER STRUCTURES INSIDE COMPOUND

SCOTT POST CONSTRUCTION, INC.

CRC# 1329056 - Certified Residential Contractor

CCC# 1329379 - Certified Roofing Contractor

14320 North Boulevard, Tampa, FL 33613

813-504-5007/ 813-373-5716 tel/fax

Email: scottpost.homes@yahoo.com

Website: www.scottpostconstruction.com

May 31, 2010

PROJECT BID

Property Address : Philippine Cultural Inrichment Center

Job Description : 1. Build ramp as per prints. This will comply with the 2007 building codes and the and the 2009 suppelments.

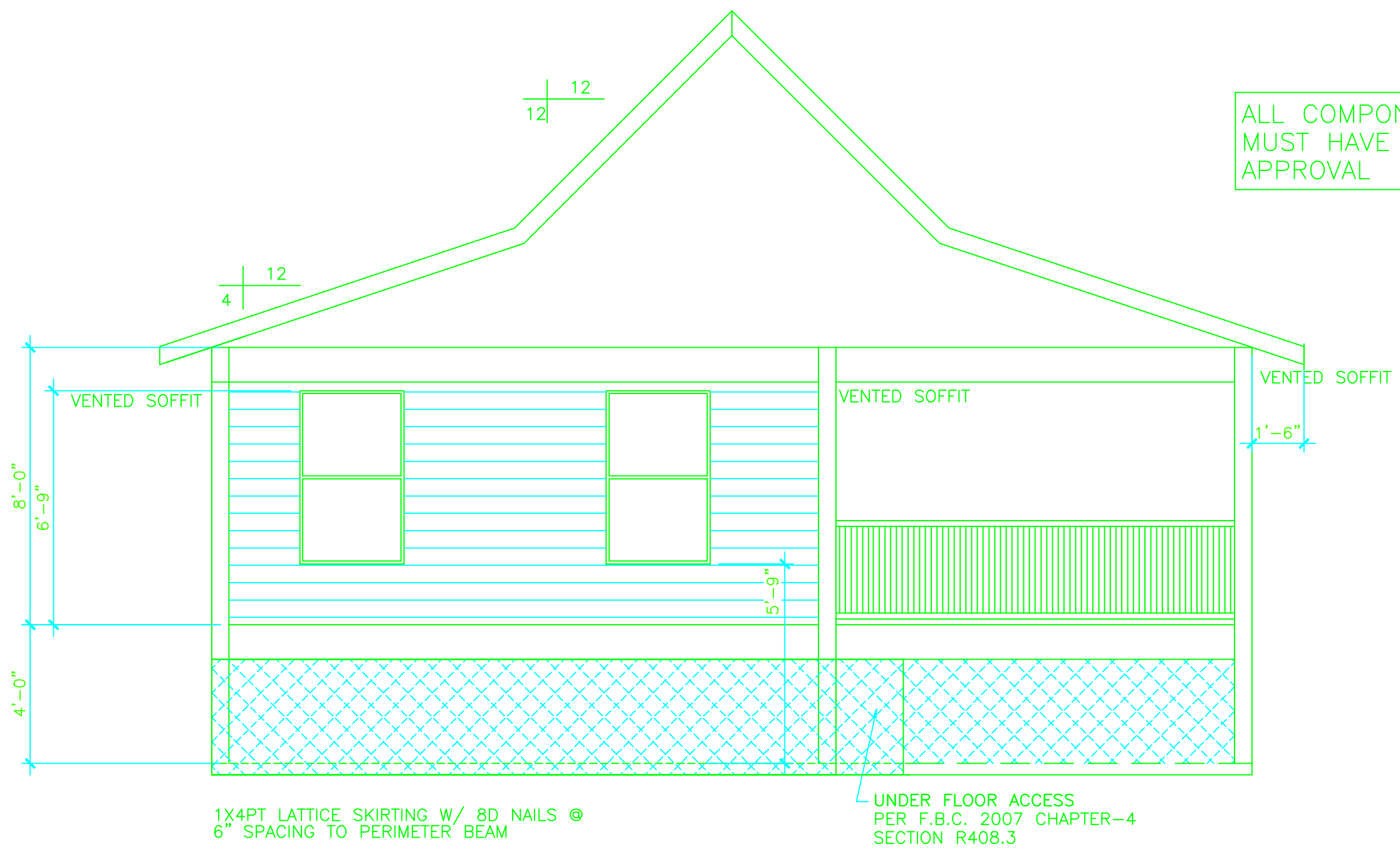
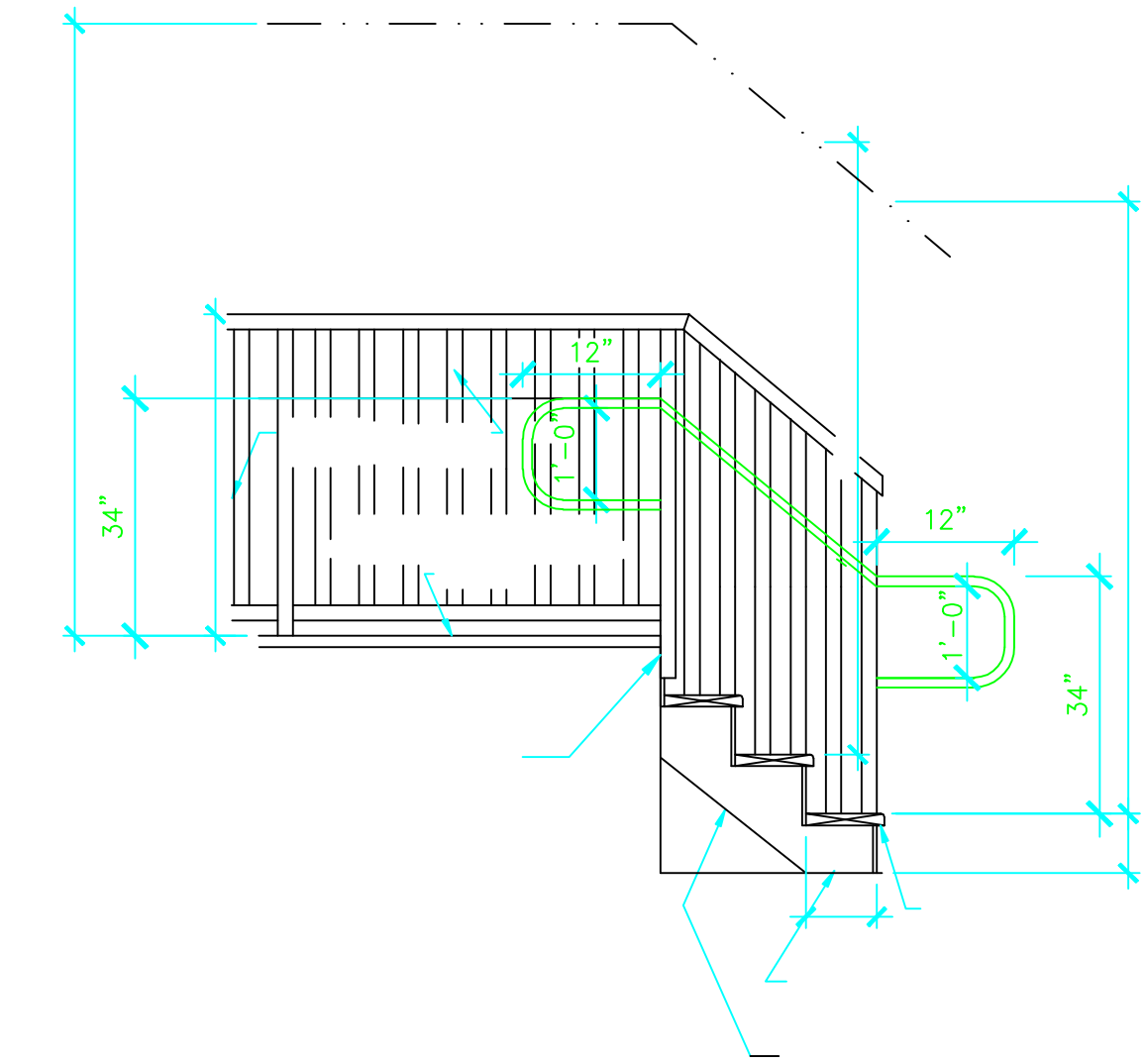
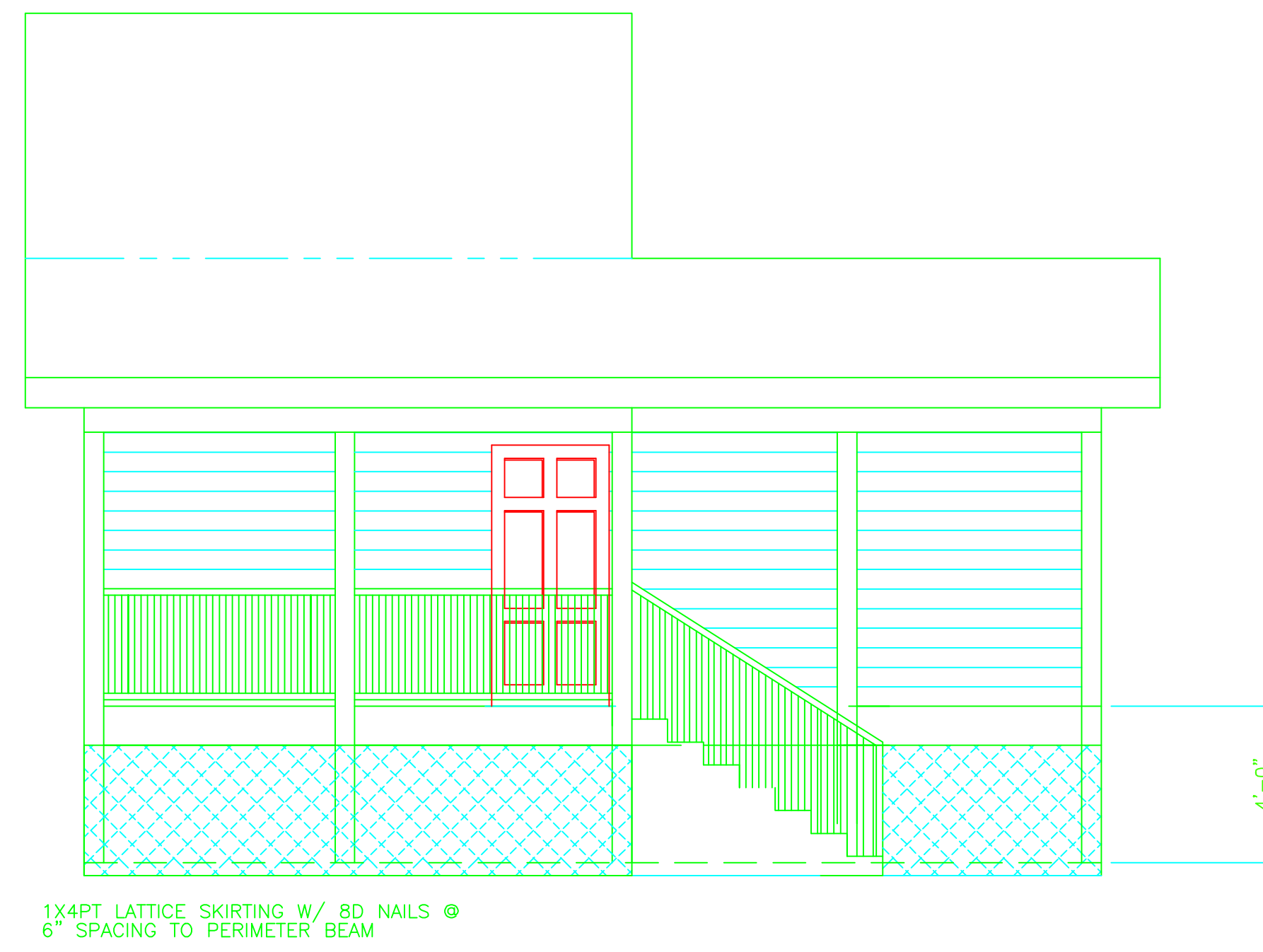
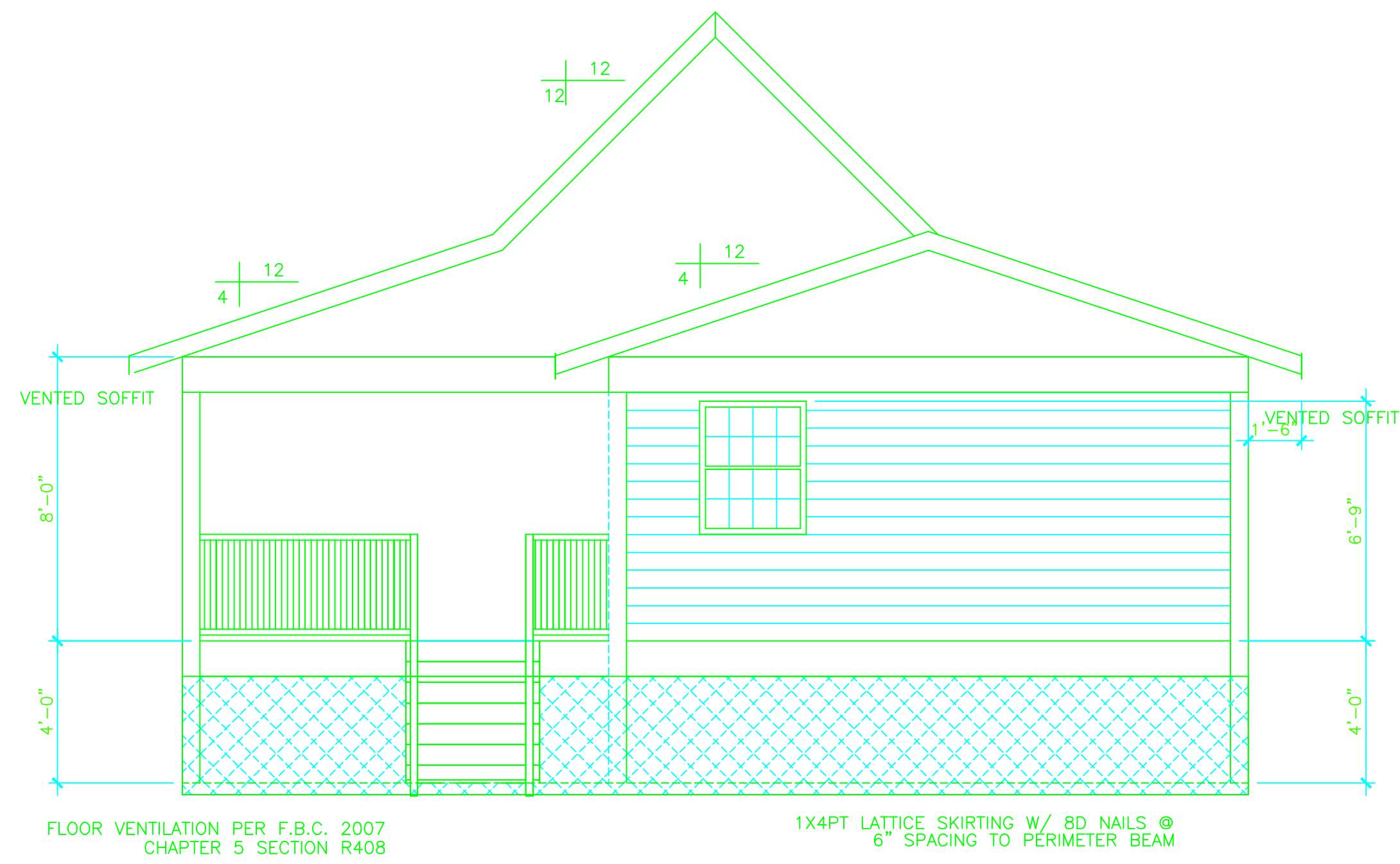
Estimate : \$11,500

Bid good for 60 days.

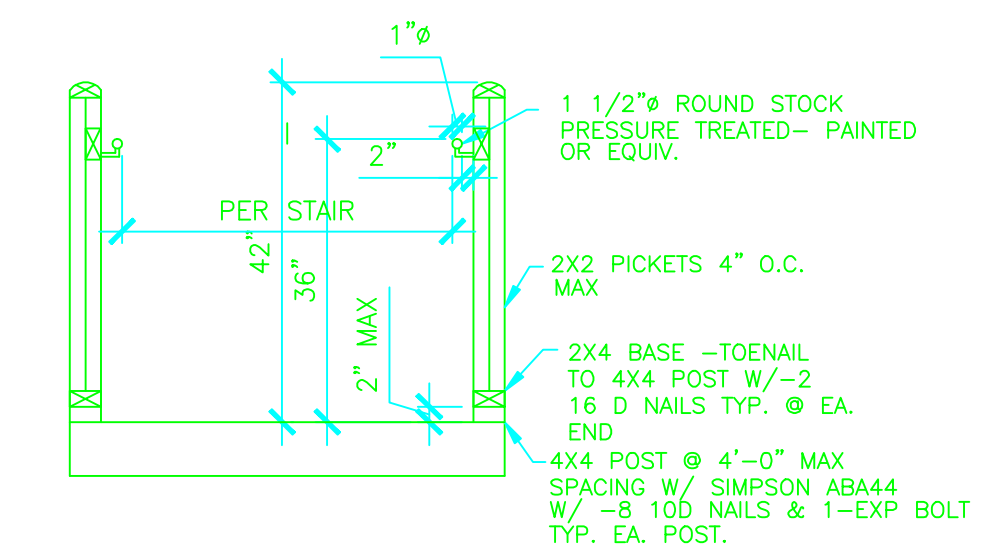
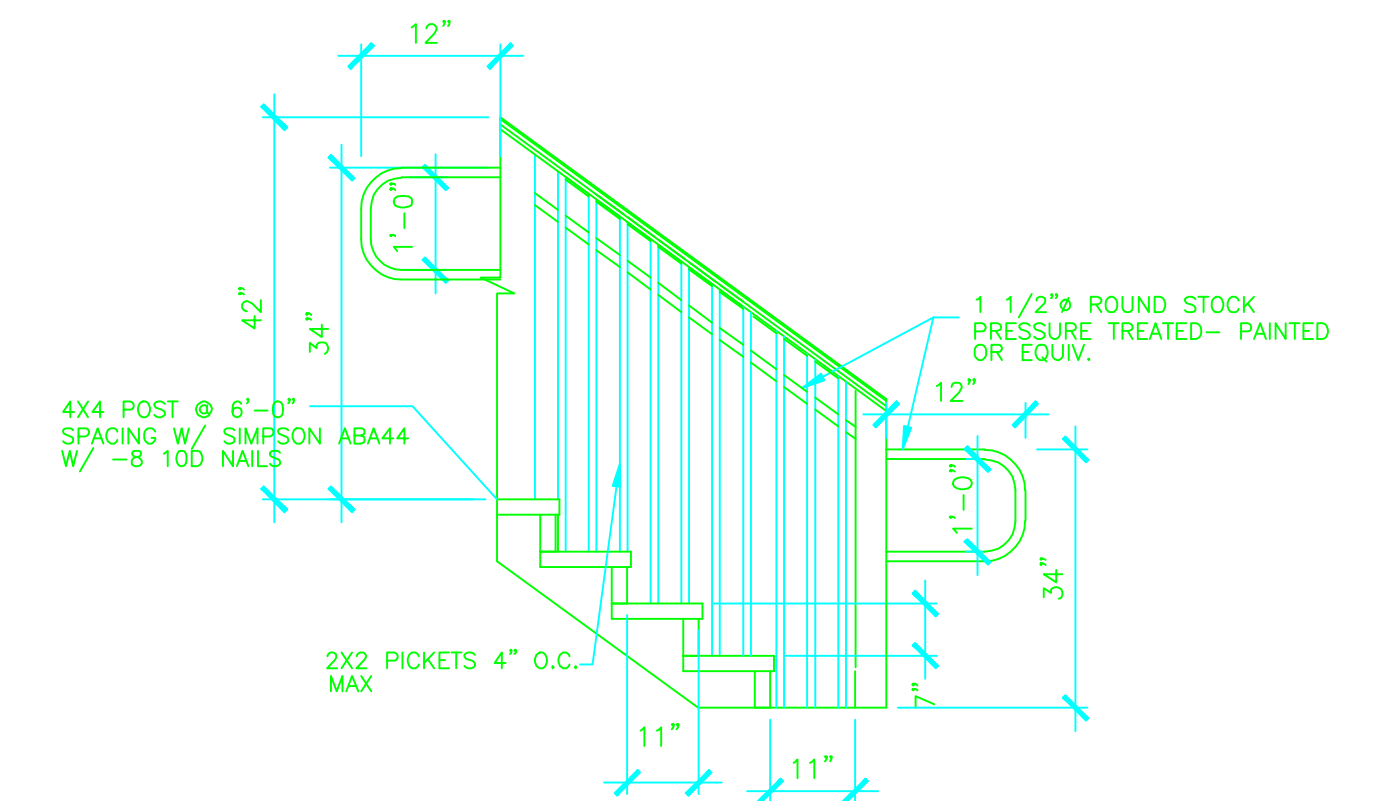
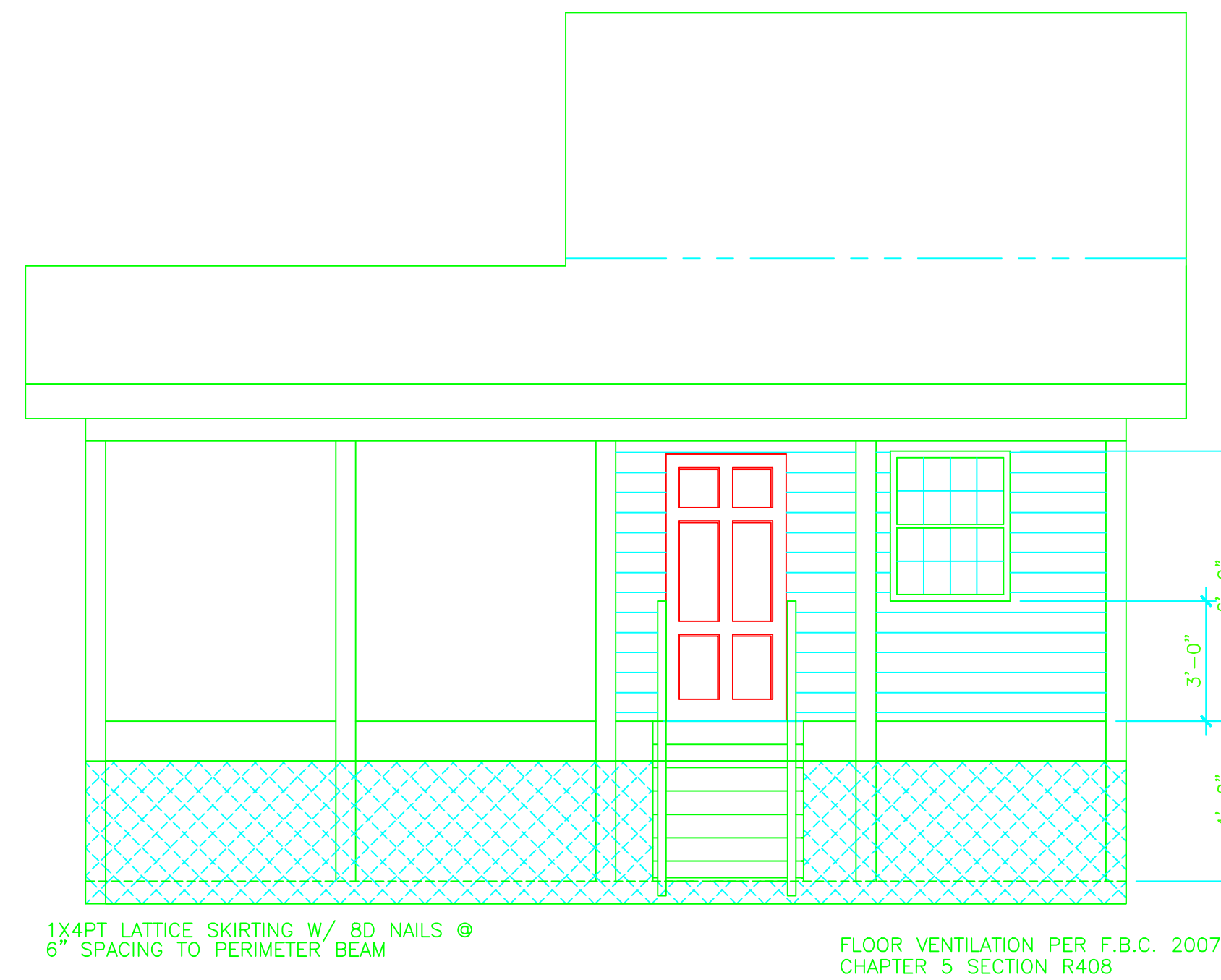
Owner

Scott Post Construction, Inc.

**INCREASE THE VALUE OF YOUR HOME BY THE QUALITY WE DELIVER
THANK YOU FOR YOUR BUSINESS**



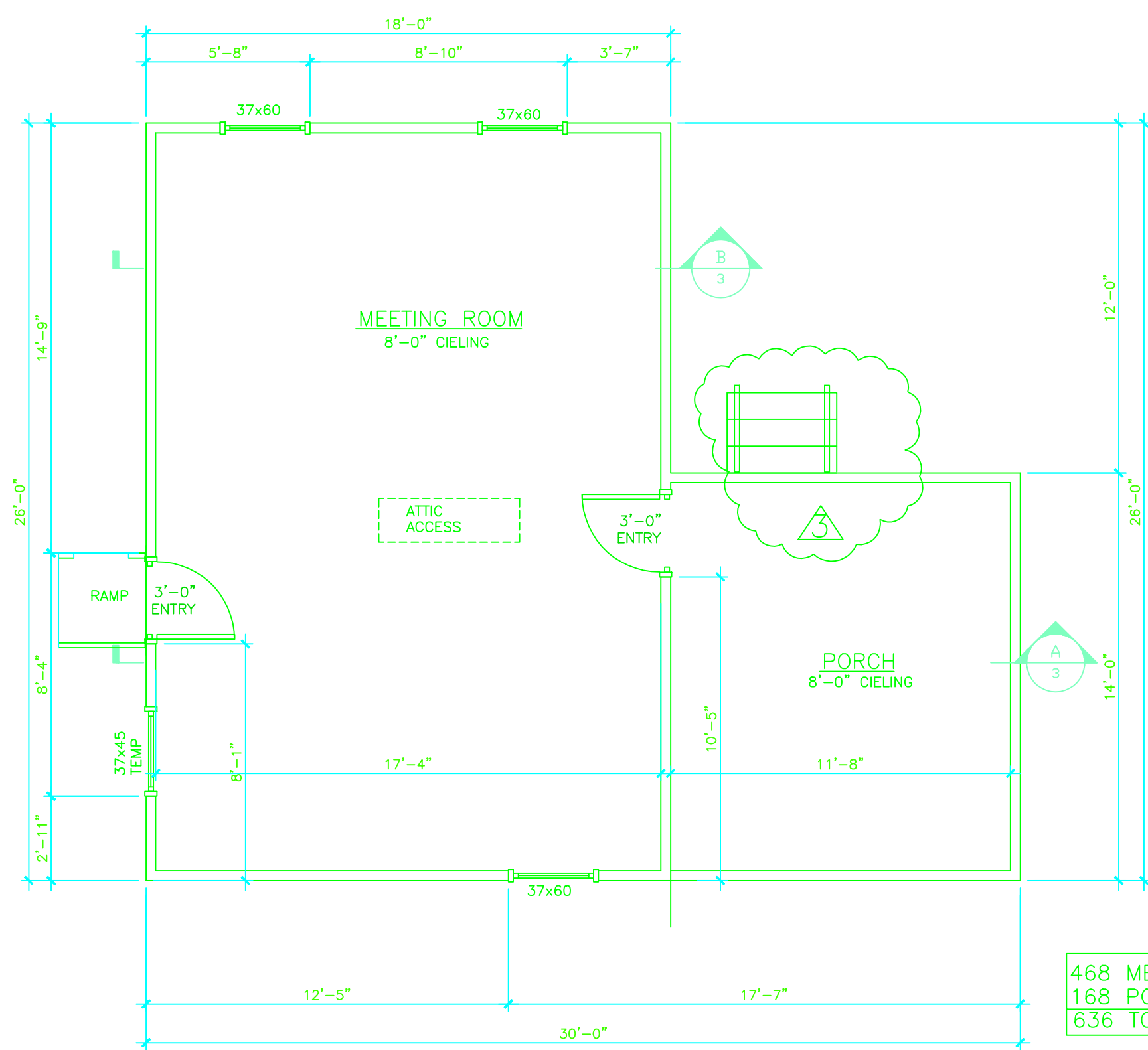
ALL COMPONENTS AND CLADDING MUST HAVE FLORIDA PRODUCT APPROVAL



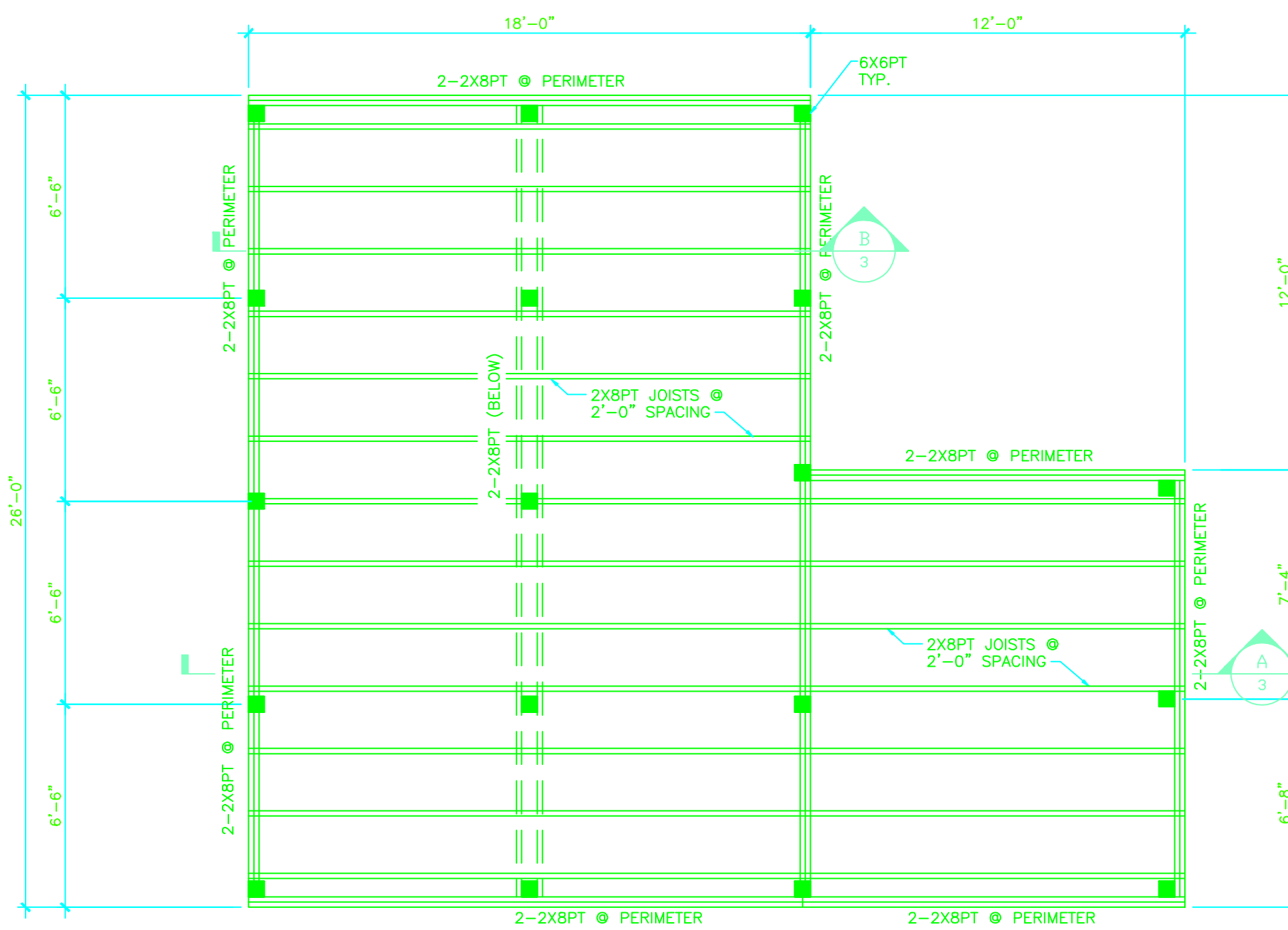
GENERAL NOTES:

- ALL WOOD IN THIS STRUCTURE TO BE #2 GRADE OR BETTER
 - FOR STRUCTURAL INTEGRITY, METAL SHEATHING SHALL BE MIN. STANDARD 26 GA. 50,000 LB. TENSILE STRENGTH
 - ALL PRESSURE TREATED LUMBER SHALL BE AS FOLLOWS
- | RETENTION (LBS./CU.FT.) | USES/EXPOSURES |
|-------------------------|-----------------|
| .25 | ABOVE GROUND |
| .40 | GROUND CONTACT |
| .60 | FRESH WATER |
| 2.50 | WOOD FOUNDATION |
| | SALT WATER |

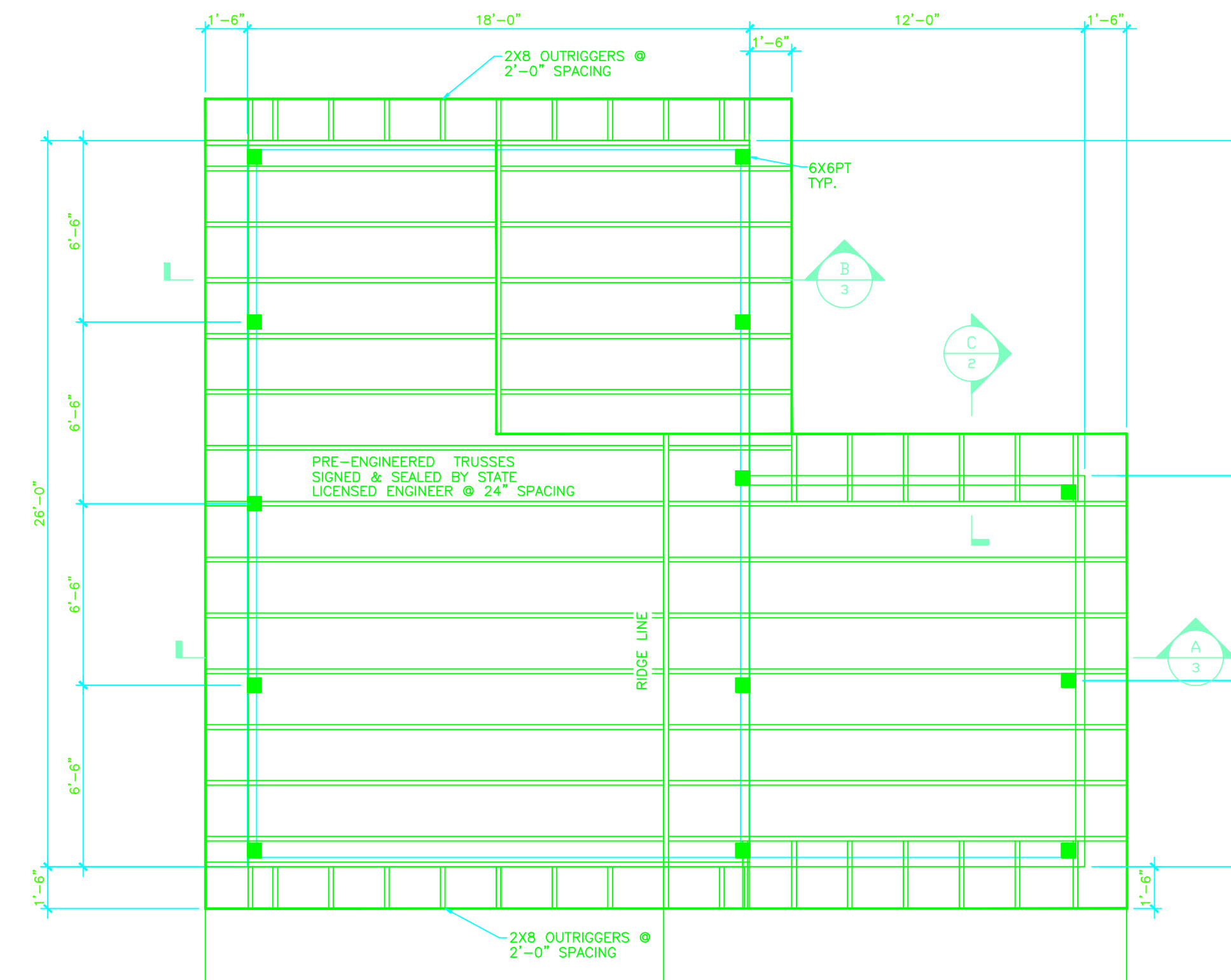
ROGELIO L. CACUITAN P.E.	FLORIDA HIGHLAND DESIGN INDUSTRIAL, COMMERCIAL, and RESIDENTIAL BARTOW, FLORIDA 863-534-1492
Florida Registration No. 40902	SCALE: AS NOTED PHILIPPINE CULTURAL INRICHMENT CENTER
DRAWN BY: RD CHECKED: RD DATE: 6/25/09	FLORIDA REGISTRATION NO. 40902 DRAWING NUMBER: 3 REVISION: 5



468 MEETING HALL
168 PORCH
636 TOTAL
OCCUPANCY - 31 PERSONS



FLOOR JOIST TO BE GRADE-2 SOUTHERN PINE OR BETTER- PRESSURE TREATED



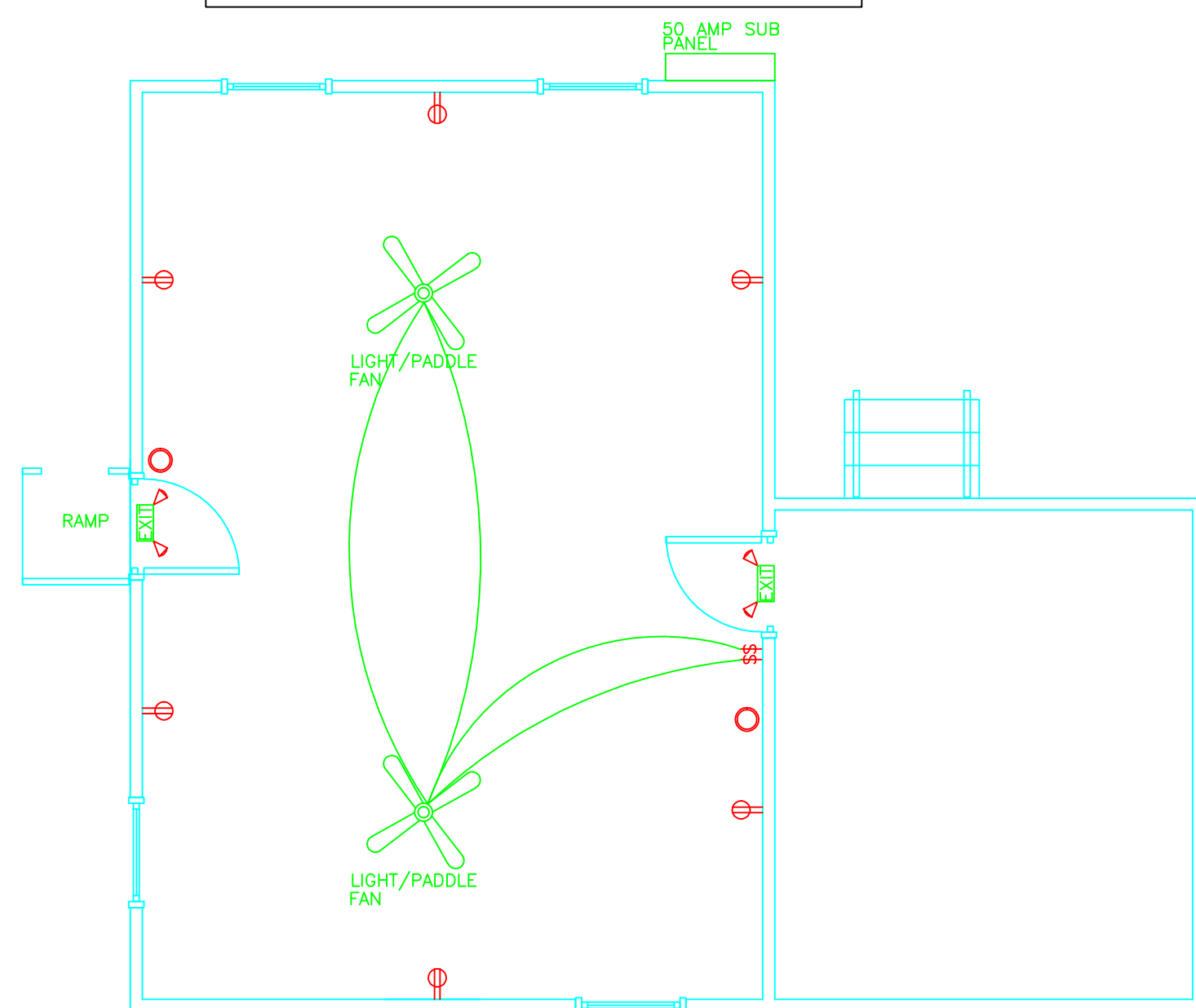
ROOF JOIST TO BE GRADE-2 SOUTHERN PINE OR BETTER

803.1 General. Interior wall and ceiling finishes shall be classified in accordance with ASTM E 84

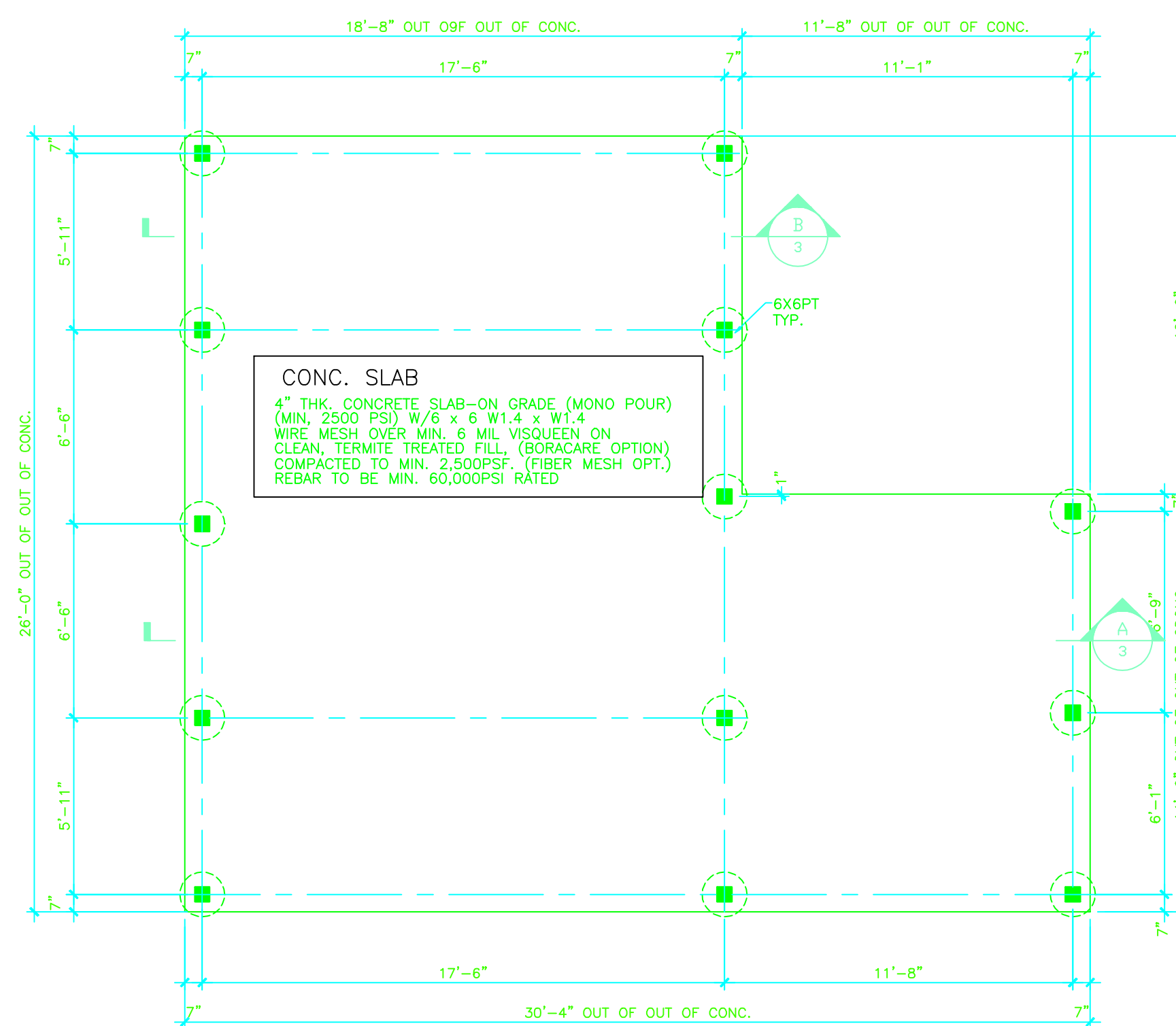
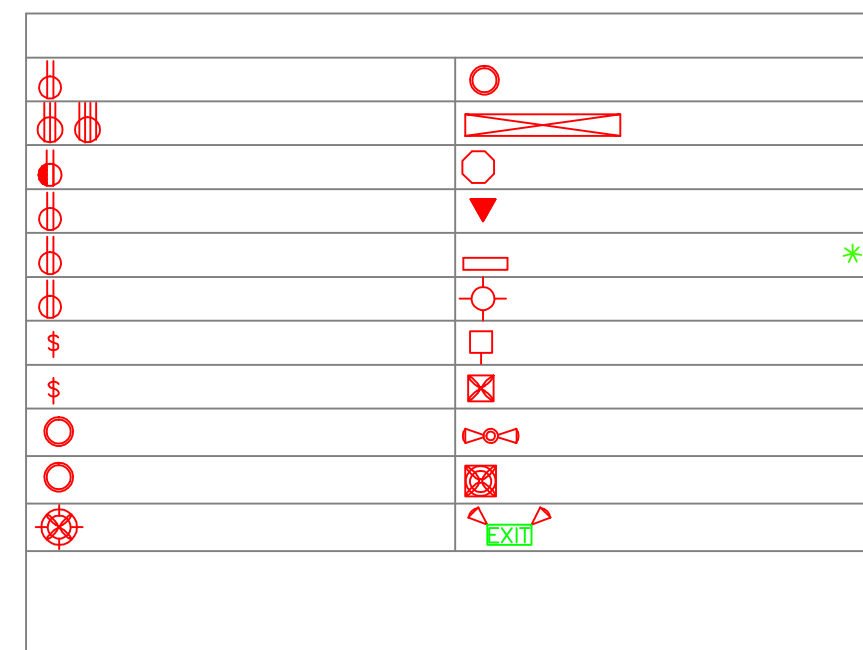
OCCUPANCY GROUP	Exit enclosures and exit passageways	Corridors	Rooms and enclosed spaces
B	Class B: Flame spread 26-75; smoke-developed 0-450.	Class B: Flame spread 26-75; smoke-developed 0-450.	Class C: Flame spread 76-200; smoke-developed 0-450.

INTERIOR WALL AND CEILING FINISH REQUIREMENTS BY OCCUPANCY B
NON-SPRINKLED

ALL WORK COMPLIANT W/
NATIONAL ELECTRIC CODE
2008 (NEC 2008)



ALL WORK CONNECTED TO EXIST. ELEC. SERVICE

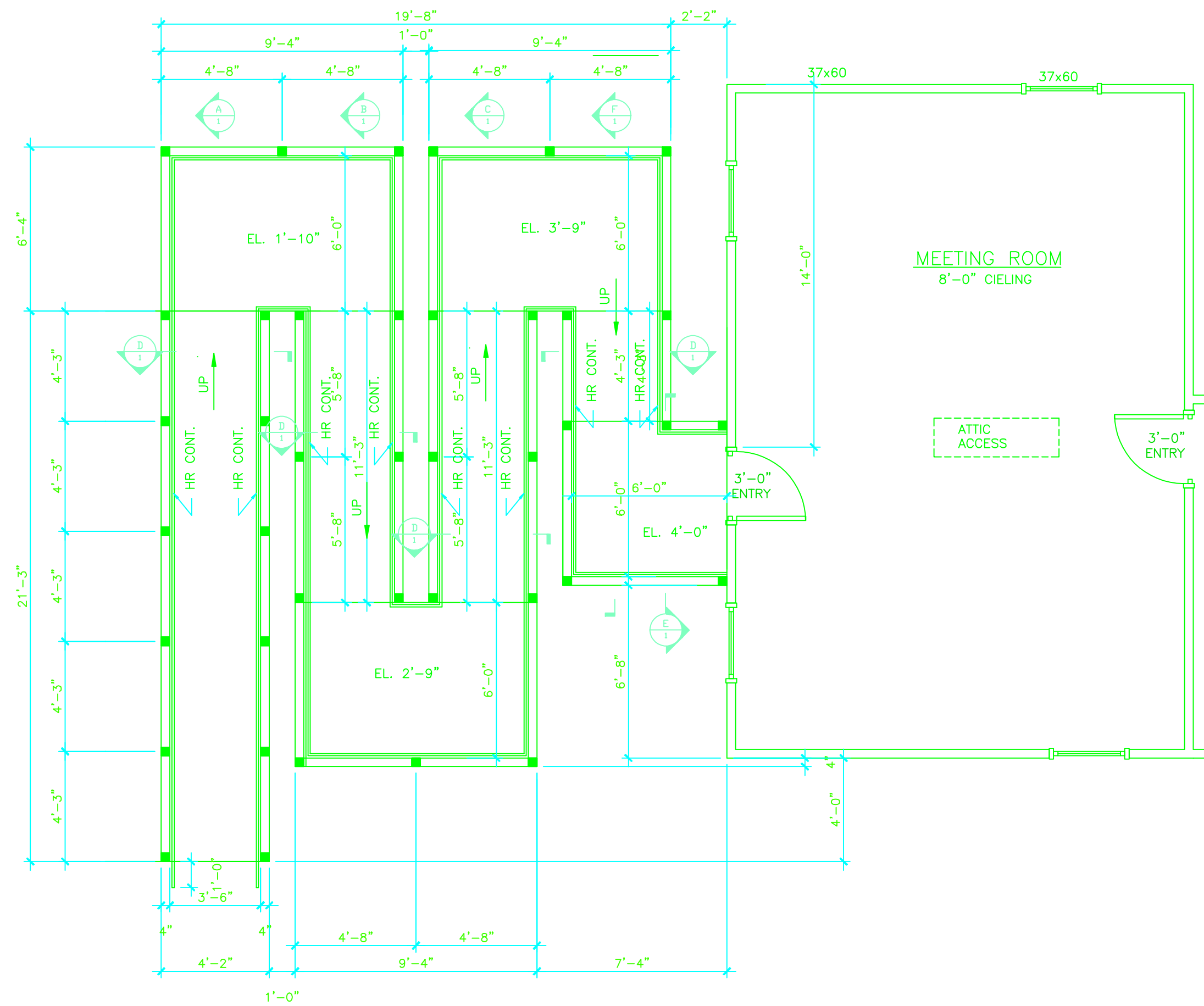


- GENERAL NOTES:
- 1-The purpose building will be constructed as a replica of the old thatched huts in the philippines.
 - 2-The structure will be constructed in accordance with the Florida Building Code.
 - 3-The exterior finishes will be composed of palm leaves, bamboos, cogon grass, etc. that are tropical in nature.
 - 4-No bathroom is needed.
 - 5-There will be no inside partition except the wall between the porch and the main house.
 - 6-The building may be used to display Philippine crafts and/or paintings depicting the Philippine culture during the annual Philippine Festival.
 - 7-Landscaping will be provided around the building.

PLAN REVIEW COMMENTS PER 3/10/10

- ▲ CHANGED CONSTRUCTION TYPE & OCCUPANCY GROUP
- ▲ DESIGN WIND SPEED
- ▲ REMOVE DOOR
- ▲ REMOVE RESIDENTIAL CODE REFERENCE

ROQUELO L. CAULUTAN P.E.	FLORIDA HIGHLAND DESIGN INDUSTRIAL, COMMERCIAL, and RESIDENTIAL BARTOW, FLORIDA 863-534-1492
Florida Registration No. 40902	SCALE: AS NOTED PHILIPPINE CULTURAL INRICHMENT CENTER
DRAWN BY: ND CHECKED: BD DATE: 6/29/09	DRAWING NUMBER: 2 REVISION: 5



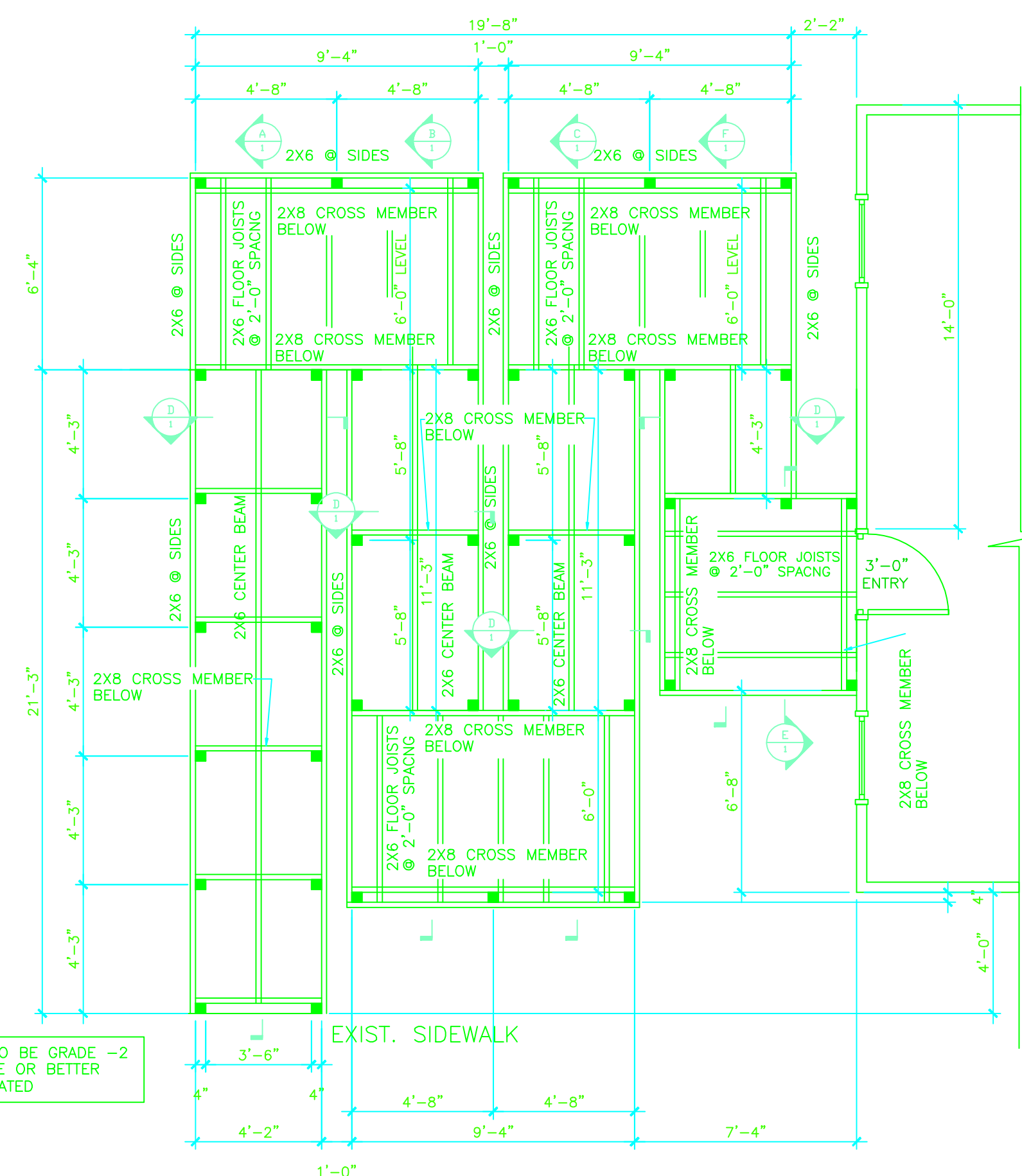
GENERAL NOTES:

ALL WOOD IN THIS STRUCTURE TO BE #2 GRADE OR BETTER

FOR STRUCTURAL INTEGRITY, METAL SHEATHING SHALL BE MIN. STANDARD 26 GA. 50,000 LB. TENSILE STRENGTH

ALL PRESSURE TREATED LUMBER SHALL BE AS FOLLOWS

RETENTION (LBS./CU.FT.)	USES/EXPOSURES
.25	ABOVE GROUND
.40	GROUND CONTACT
.60	FRESH WATER
2.50	WOOD FOUNDATION
	SALT WATER

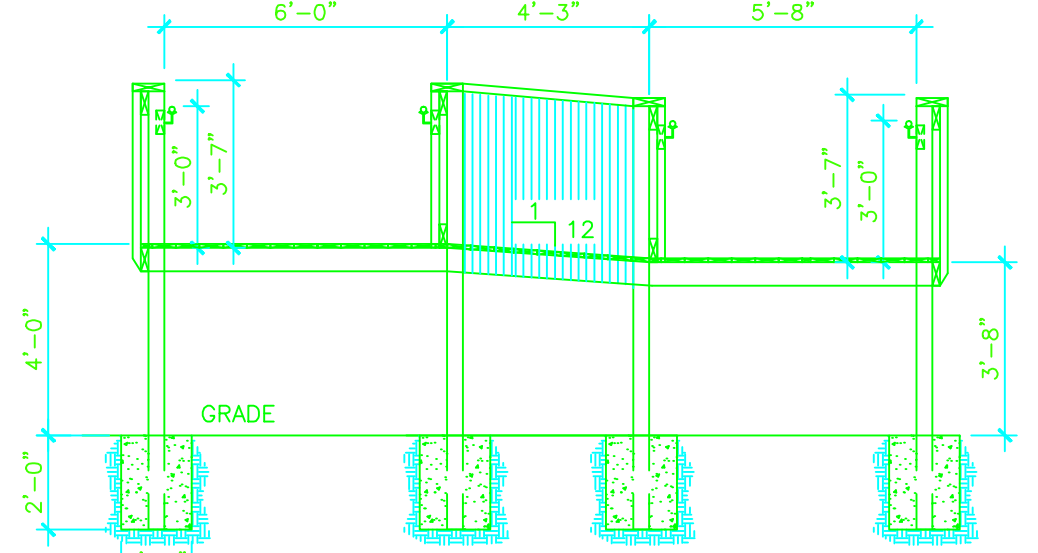
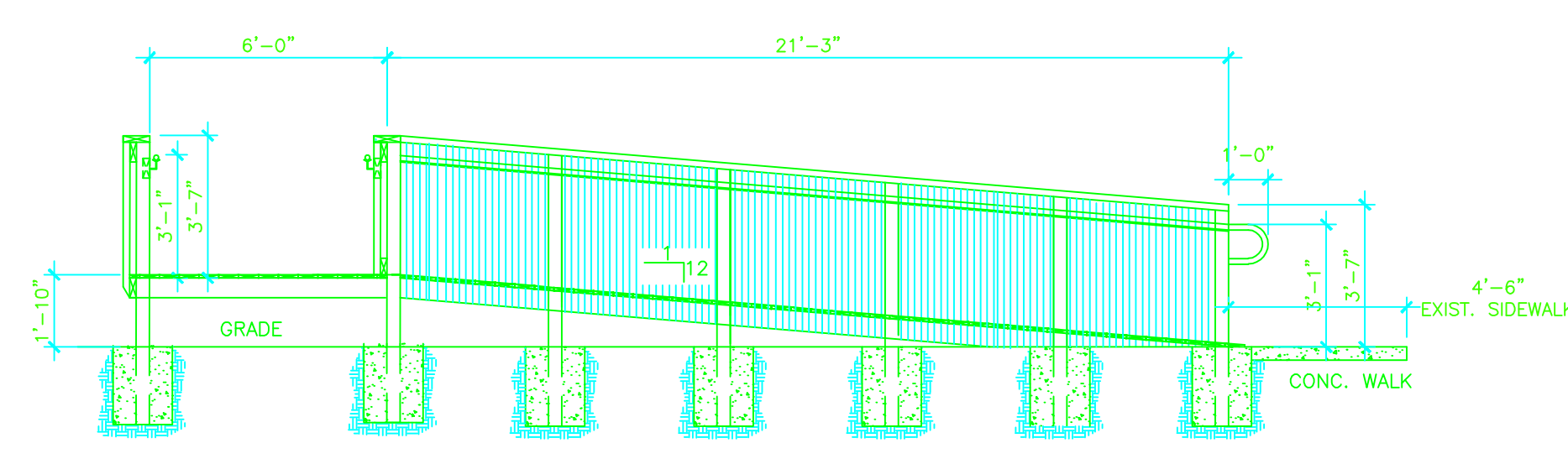


DESIGN LOADS:

WIND:	130 MPH
EXPOSURE CATEGORY:	B
IMPORTANCE FACTOR:	1
OCC. CAT.:	II
INTERNAL PRESSURE COEFF.: ±1.8	
ROOF:	LL 20PSF
	DL 10PSF MIN.
LIVING AREA:	LL 40PSF
	DL 15PSF
DESIGN WIND PRESSURE (DWP):	
COMPONENTS AND CLADDING TO BE INSTALLED TO MANUFACTURERS SPECS. W/ D.W.P. POS / NEG	
30 P.S.F.	

OCCUPANCY GROUP A-3
BUILDING CATEGORY II
CONSTRUCTION TYPE V-B

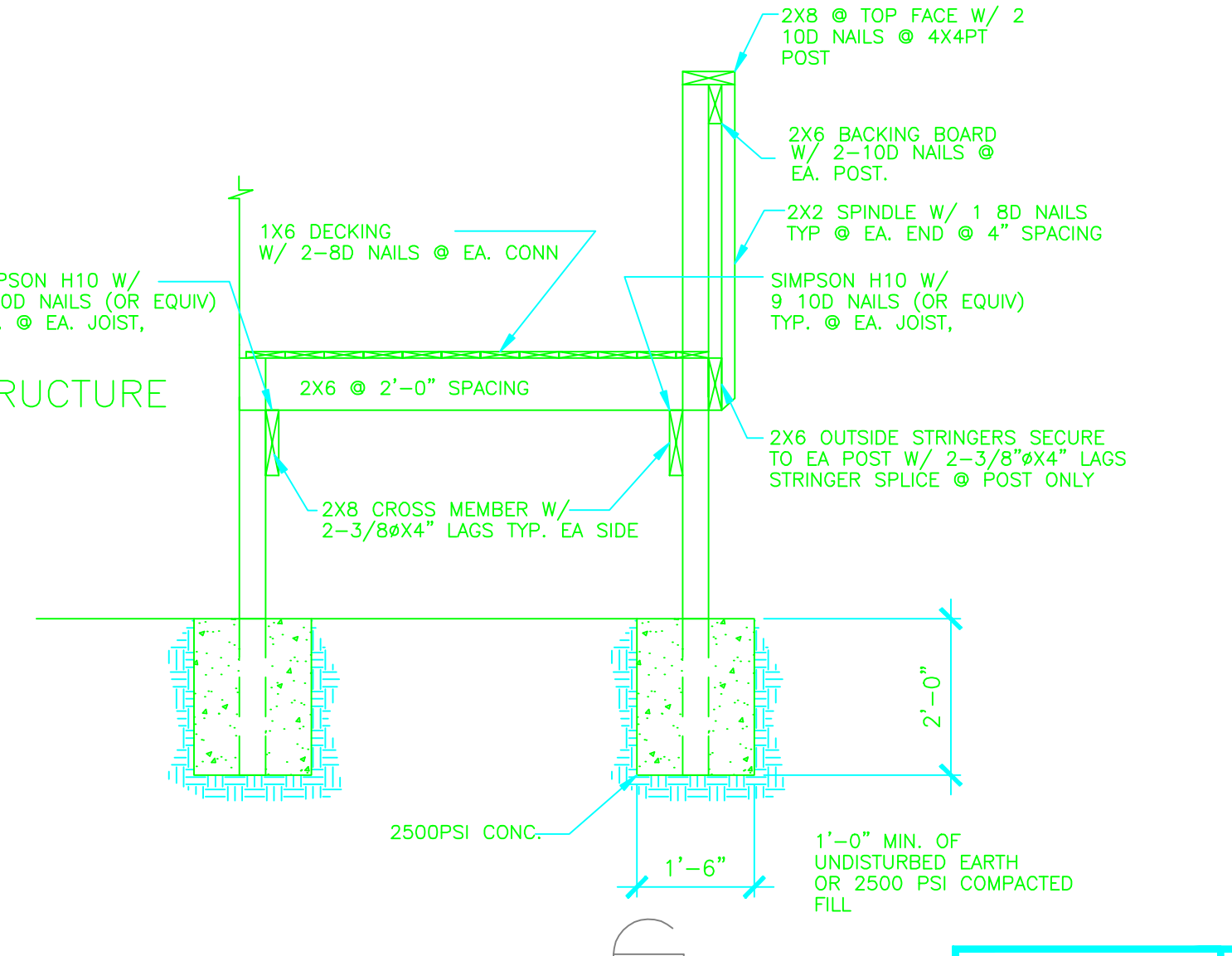
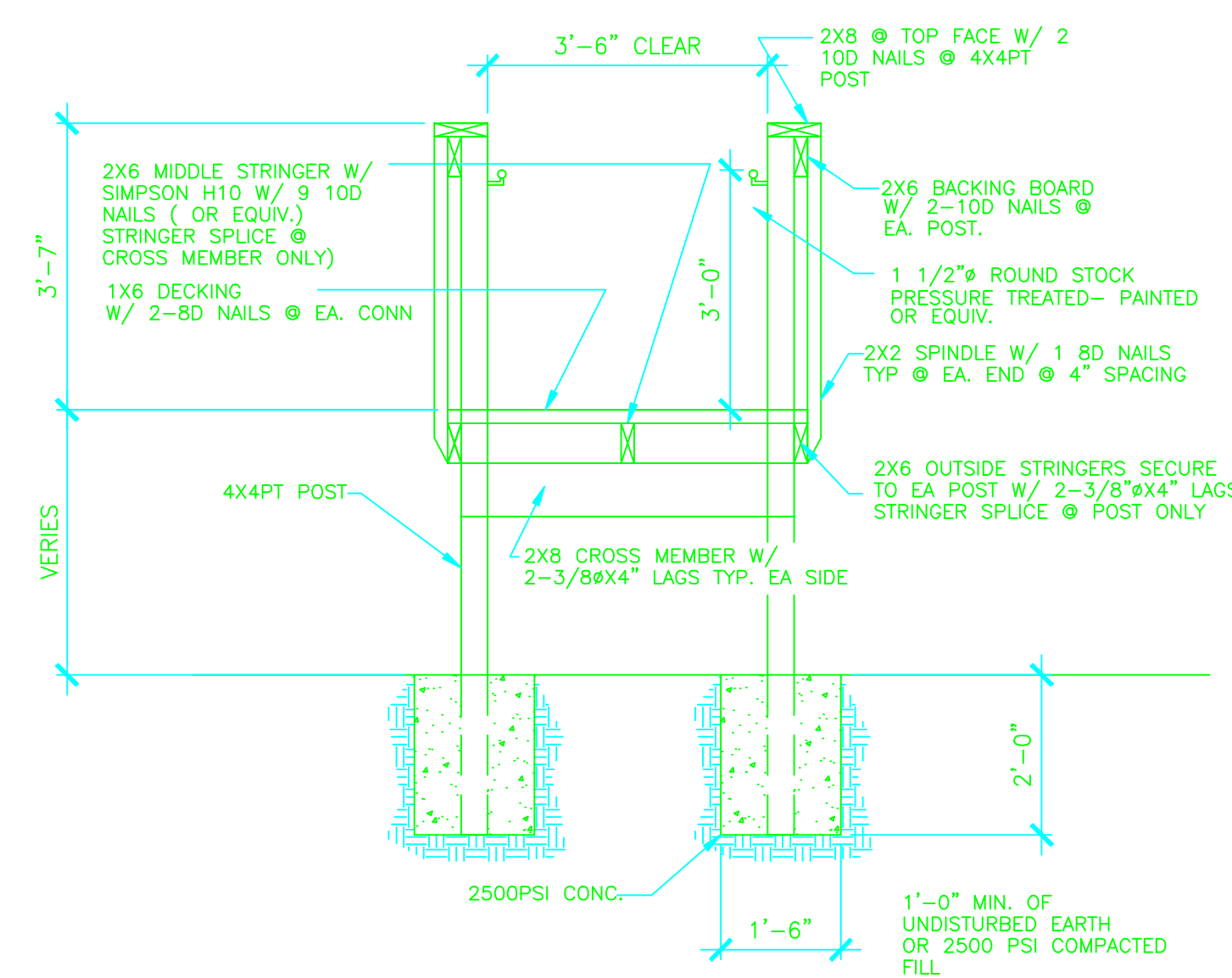
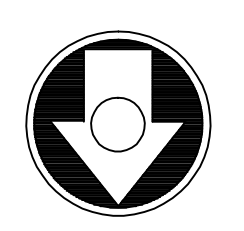
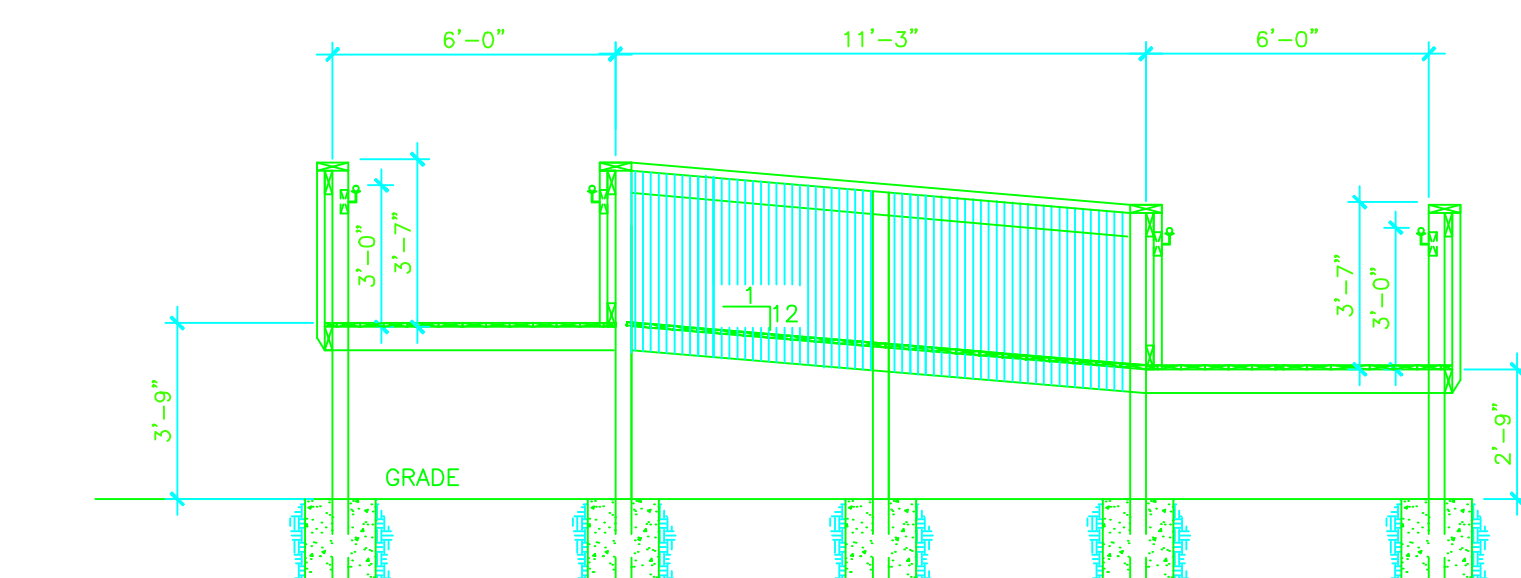
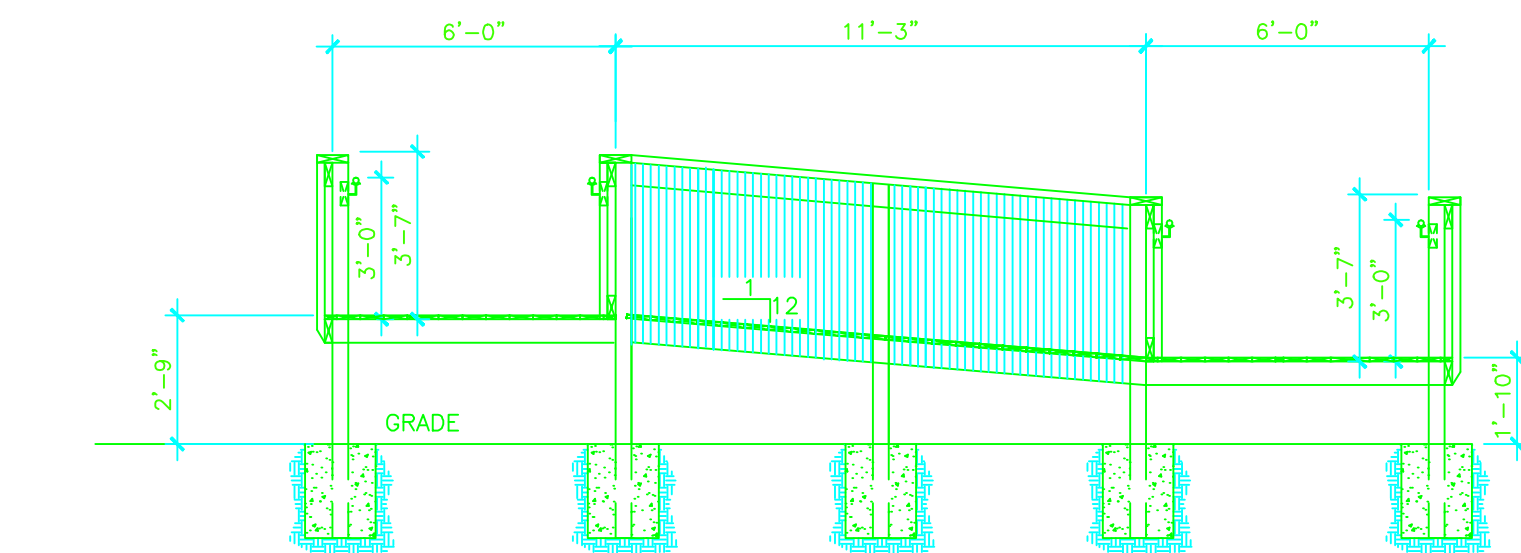
THIS DRAWING CONFORMS WITH 2007 FLORIDA BUILDING CODE CHAPTER 1609 LOADING CRITERIA (BUILDING) INCLUDING 2009 SUPPLEMENTS



ALL WOOD BELOW 18" FROM GRADE SHALL BE PRESSURE TREATED

ALL WOOD TO BE GRADE NO2 SOUTHERN PINE OR BETTER

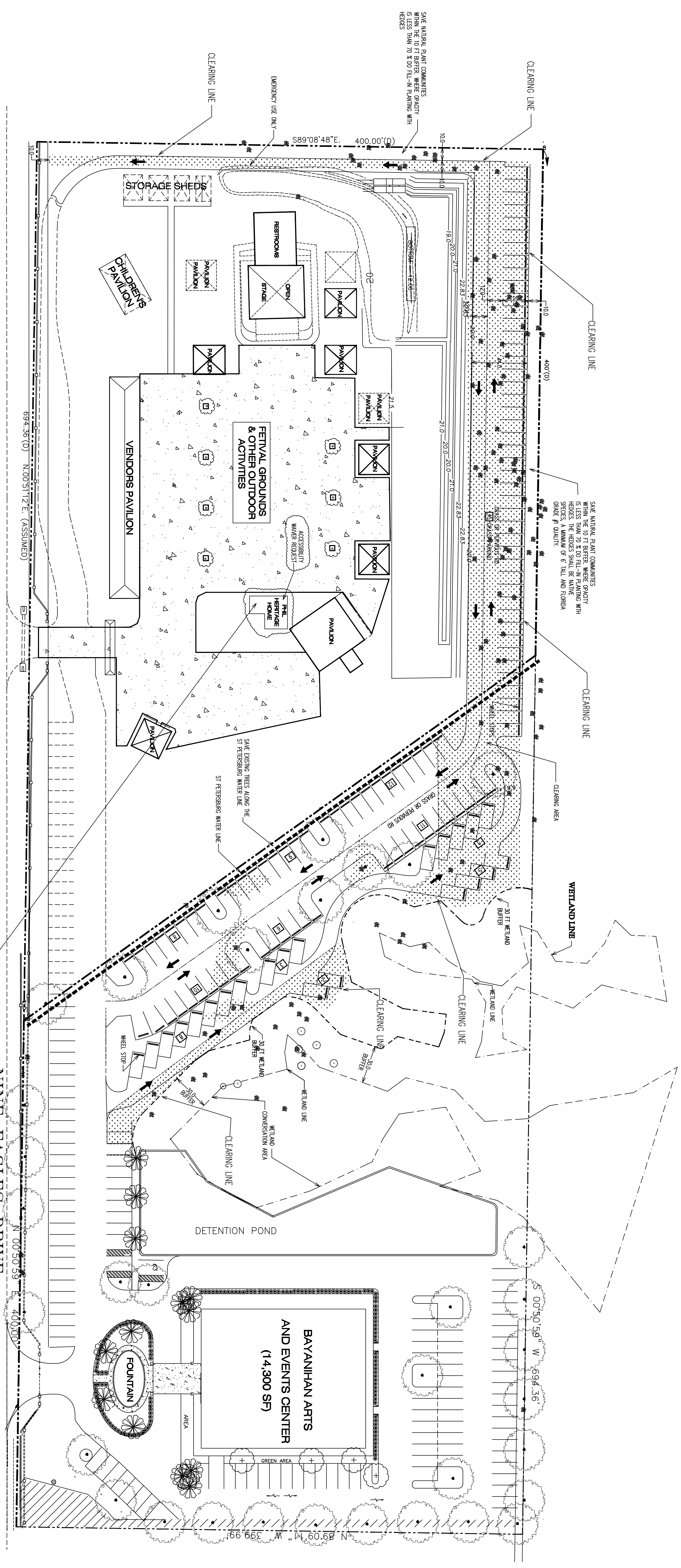
ANY WOOD THAT TOUCHES CONC. SHALL BE PRESSURE TREATED



1203 KINSMEN DRIVE
AUBURNDALE, FL. 33823
TEL (863) 965-2128 FAX (863) 967-9708

RC ENGINEERING & DEVELOPMENT LLC
CIVIL, MINING, & STRUCTURAL ENGINEERING CONSULTANTS

ROSELIO L. CACULTAN P.E.	FLORIDA HIGHLAND DESIGN INDUSTRIAL, COMMERCIAL, and RESIDENTIAL BARTOW, FLORIDA 863-534-1492		
	SCALES AS NOTED PHILIPPINE CULTURAL INRICHMENT CENTER		
Florida Registration No. 40902	DRAWN BY: ND CHECKED: RD DATE: 6/9/10	DRAWING NUMBER: RAMP	REVISION: 0



- CLEARING NOTE**
1. Contractor is made aware that there is a St. Petersburg Water Line transecting the project area. Location must be clearly stake and identified.
 2. There will be no push clearing of vegetation within the immediate vicinity of the water line.
 3. Area shall be properly cleared and grubbed.
 4. All removed vegetation shall be taken out of the area, buried or mulched and hauled away.

PHILIPPINE CULTURAL FOUNDATION, INC.
SITE PLAN

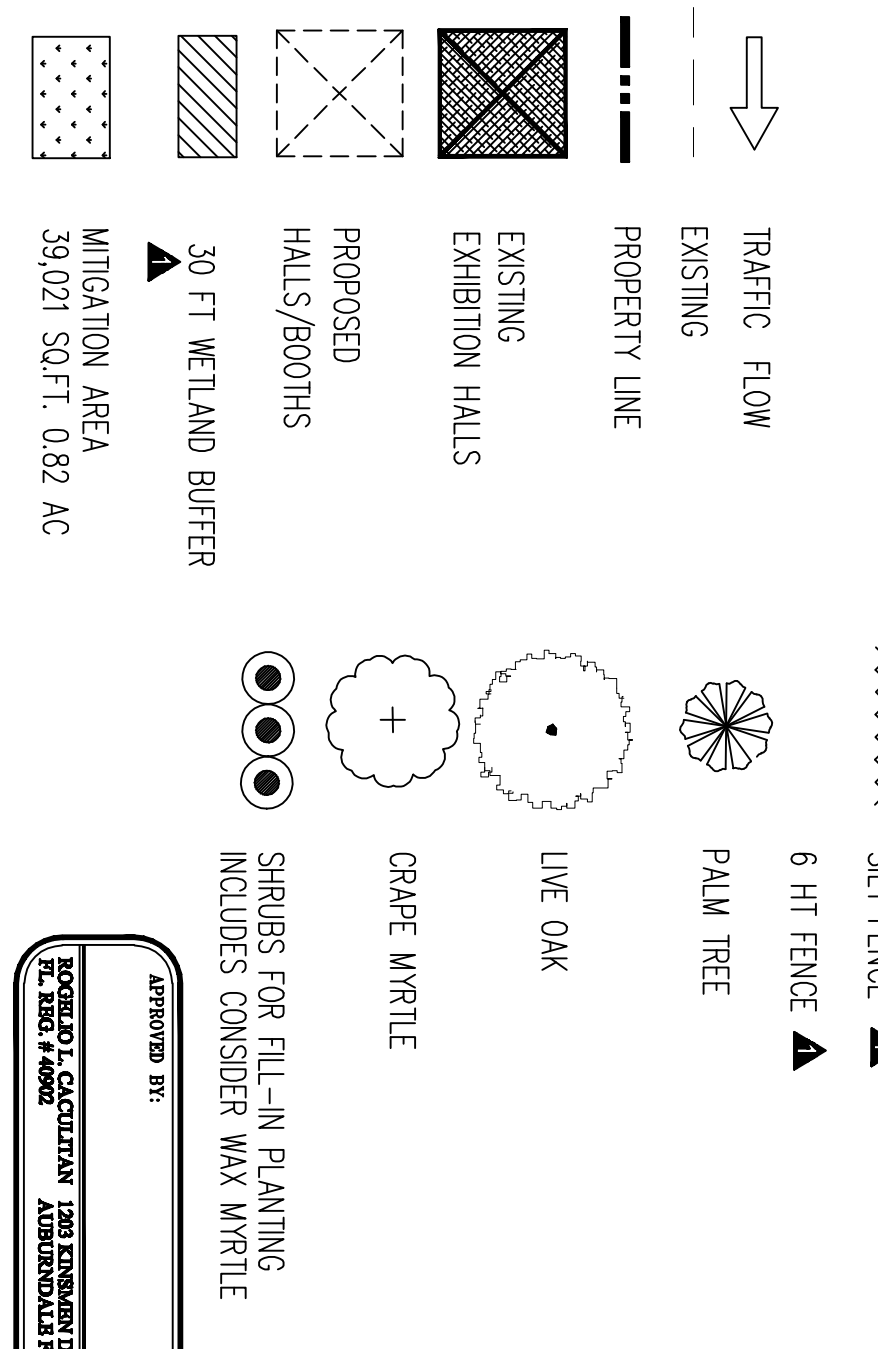
Our Mission:
To preserve and present the Philippine heritage and culture as our legacy to future generations and our contribution to the diversity of this region and the State of Florida.

- Our Goals:**
- Present high quality performances and exhibitions of Philippine traditional & contemporary artists, both professional and community based, national and international.
 - Organize special events for the Filipino community that are open to the general public, county, and state wide.
 - Provide cultural education, including language, folk arts, and good citizenship for children and adults, American-born Filipinos and individuals of various backgrounds who are interested in Filipino culture.
 - Provide a facility for Florida artists and other cultural providers.
 - Support the concerts, art festivals, educational events, and cultural activities of other ethnic groups and culturally underserved communities.
 - Expand the educational opportunities of the general Florida public about the language, culture and history of the Philippines.
 - Provide a library of information about the Philippines, including guidance on travel to the islands.

UNDER CONSTRUCTION
BAHAY KUBO
(PHILIPPINE HERITAGE HOME)
THIS IS A REPLICA OF A NATIVE PHILIPPINE HOME,
WHICH WILL BE USED AS A DISPLAY ONLY. IT IS
NOT INTENDED FOR OCCUPANCY.
A WAIVER FOR THE ACCESSIBILITY REQUIREMENT
IS BEING APPLIED FOR.

- EXISTING STRUCTURES**
- Bayanihan Arts & Event Center ----- 14,300 SF
 - Stage (Brangay Pavilion) ----- 1,764 SF
 - Restrooms ----- 4,200 SF
 - Vendors Pavilion (Fiesta Pavilion) ----- 4,200 SF
 - 6 - Association Pavilions
 - 1 - Association Pavilion presently planned

LEGEND



CALL 48 HOURS BEFORE YOU DIG
It's the Law!
1-800-432-4770
SUNSHINE STATE ONE CALL OF FLORIDA, INC.

RC ENGINEERING & DEVELOPMENT, LLC CIVIL & MINING ENGINEERING CONSULTANTS 1203 KINSMEN DRIVE AUBURNDALE, FL 33823 TEL: (863) 965-2128 FAX: (863) 967-6938 E-MAIL: ROGERO@RCLENDENGINEERING.COM CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORIZATION NUMBER# 26185	PROJECT: BAHAY KUBO (PHILIPPINE HERITAGE HOME) A REPLICA - DISPLAY ONLY. NOT FOR OCCUPANCY	APPLICANT/OWNER PHILIPPINE CULTURAL FOUNDATION, INC. 14301 NINE EAGLES DRIVE TAMPA, FL 33626	No.	DATE	DESCRIPTION	BY
			1	08/15/10		

SCALE
1" = 40'

TITLE:
SITE PLAN
PHILIPPINE CULTURAL FOUNDATION, INC.

DESIGNED BY: RC
CHECKED BY: RC
DATE: 8/15/10
DRAWN BY: RC
SCALE: 1/4" = 1'
DRAWING NUMBER: 1-08-1