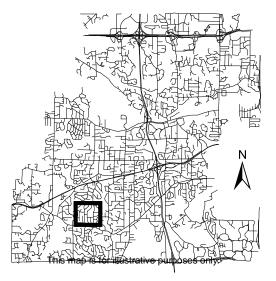
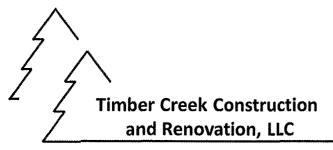




#### **Location Map**

Project: Christy Residence Address: 5227 Kimberly Road





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To whom it may concern,

With the assistance of Timber Creek, Alexander Christy wishes to expand his garage in order to replace the shed next to his existing garage at 5227 Kimberly Road in Minnetonka, Minnesota. The shed has served the property well beyond its intended life span, has become somewhat unsightly, and has become insufficient in size to facilitate storage of his recreational and lawncare equipment. Mr. Christy would like to eliminate the shed and expand the compacity of his existing garage by 300 square feet to replace the storage presently provided by the shed. This will improve appearance of the property, and will be in keeping with the rest of the neighborhood. While Minnetonka allows for accessory structures up to 1,000 square feet, it becomes highly impractical to build on the property an accessory structure of the size requested that is compliant with all the statutory requirements while still serving the intended purpose. Mr. Christy is requesting permission to expand his existing garage, rather than replacing the existing shed with another.

The garage expansion will be more aesthetically pleasing than another shed. The proposed expansion of the existing garage will of sufficient size for the intended purpose, accommodates the existing topography of the property, and complies with all requirements of applicable ordinances, except one. To get the expansion to fit on the property in congruence with the topographical and budgetary constraints, the expansion would not be able to comply with the 35-foot front setback. We believe there are two principal reasons that an Expansion Permit deviating from this one requirement should be granted.

The first is that the existing house is only 30' set back from the front property line and we are not proposing this addition any further forward than the exiting house. The front façade of the proposed garage expansion will be in the same vertical plane as the front façade of the existing home and garage. We do not seek to have the proposed garage any closer to the street than the existing structure. This will "balance" the house, produce an aesthetically pleasing result, and achieve the space Mr. Christy requires. We believe that the proposed design illustrates our desire to keep this addition in balance and that these changes will fit with the aesthetics of the neighborhood.

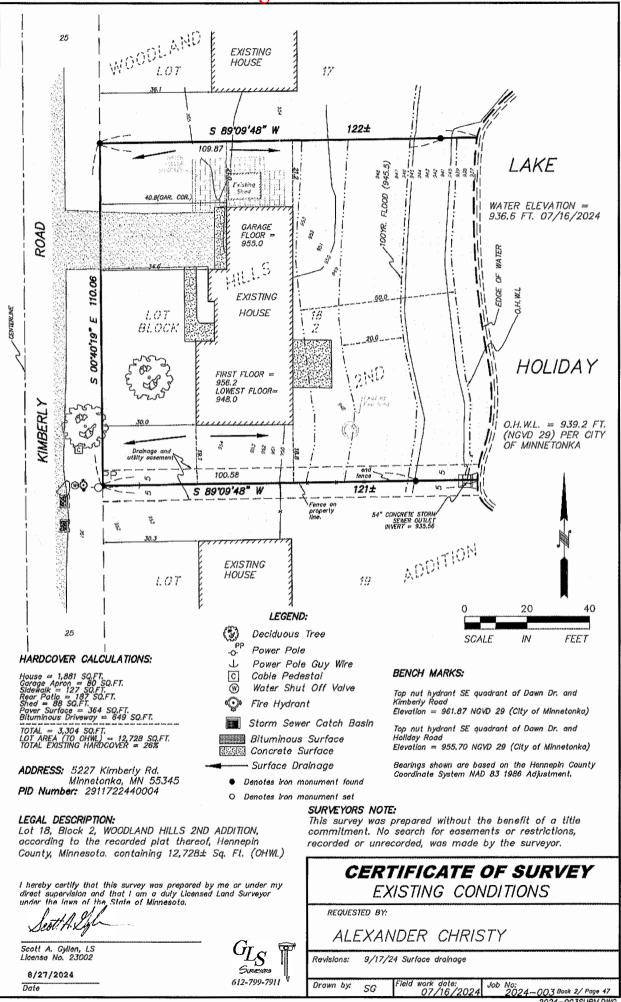
The second is that Mr. Christy's home, the existing garage, and the proposed garage expansion will be no closer to the street than his neighbors' homes and garages. It appears that this neighborhood was developed when different requirements were applicable as many of the properties on the east side of Kimberly Road do not appear conforming to the 35' front setback. Allowing the structures to be closer to the road than 35 feet keeps it further from Holiday Lake on the East. Considering these facts, we believe our request is consistent with the setbacks applicable when the neighborhood was developed, consistent with the setbacks of the existing neighborhood structures, and consistent with the intent underlying the existing rules.

Regards,

Greg Schneider

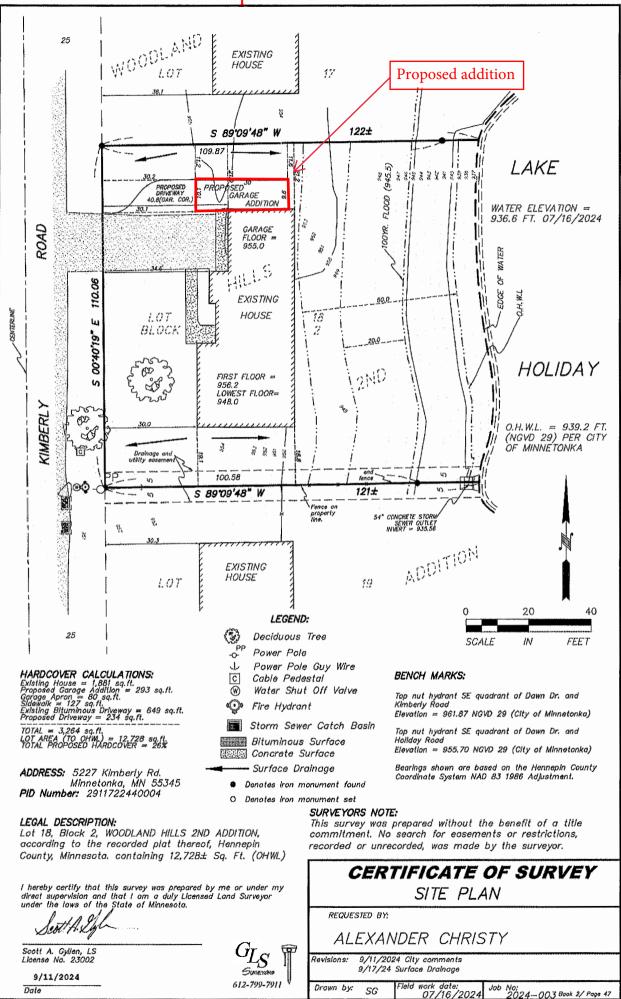
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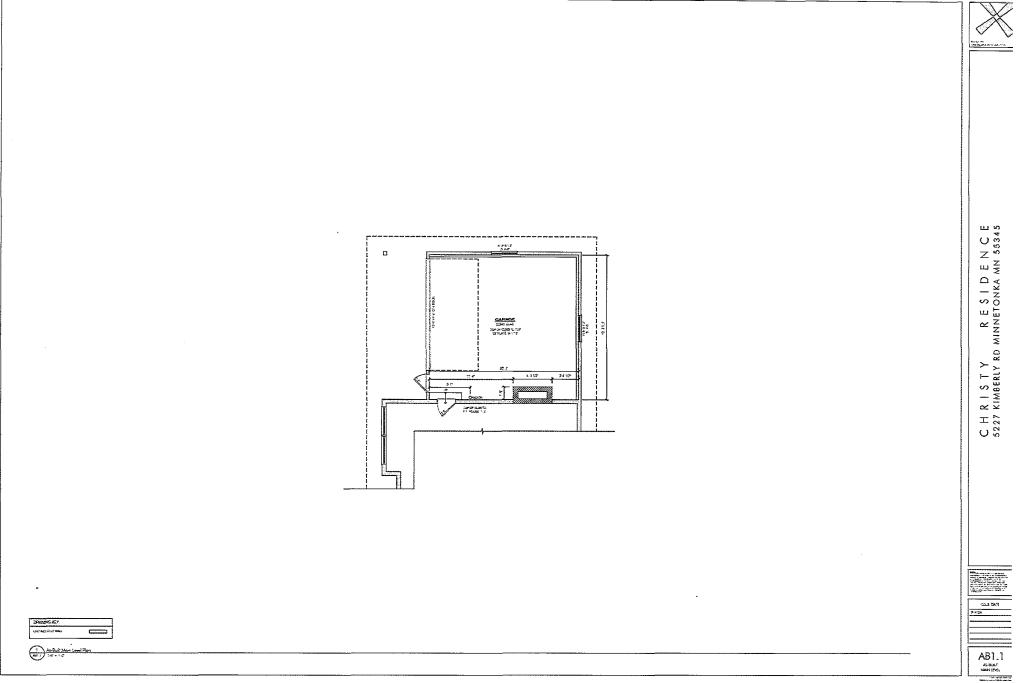
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### **Proposed Conditions**

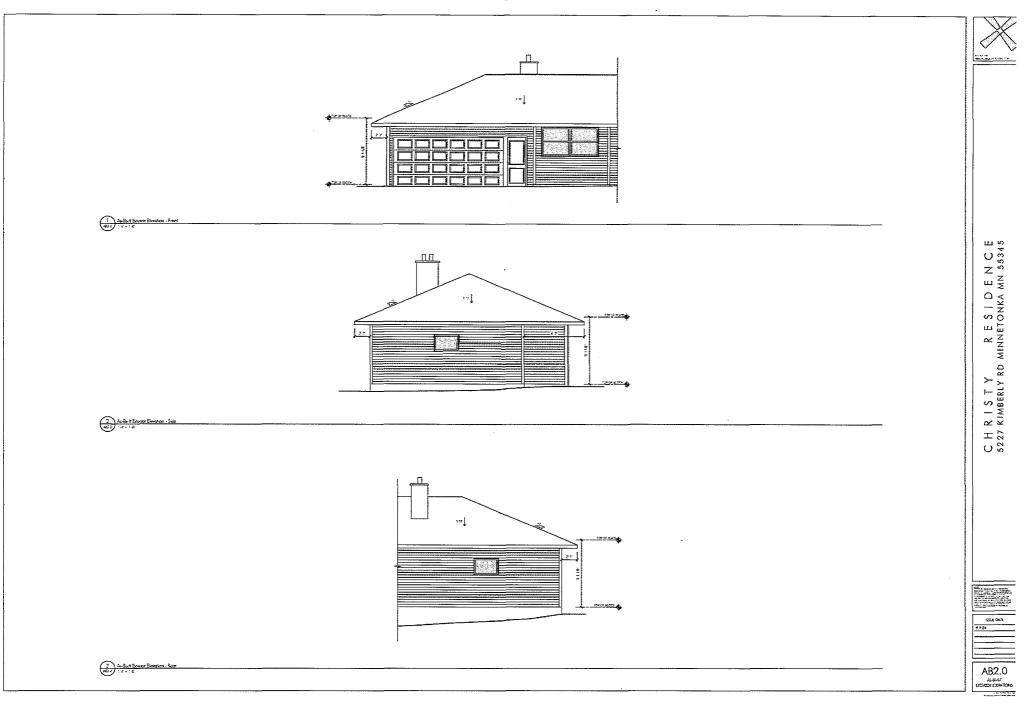


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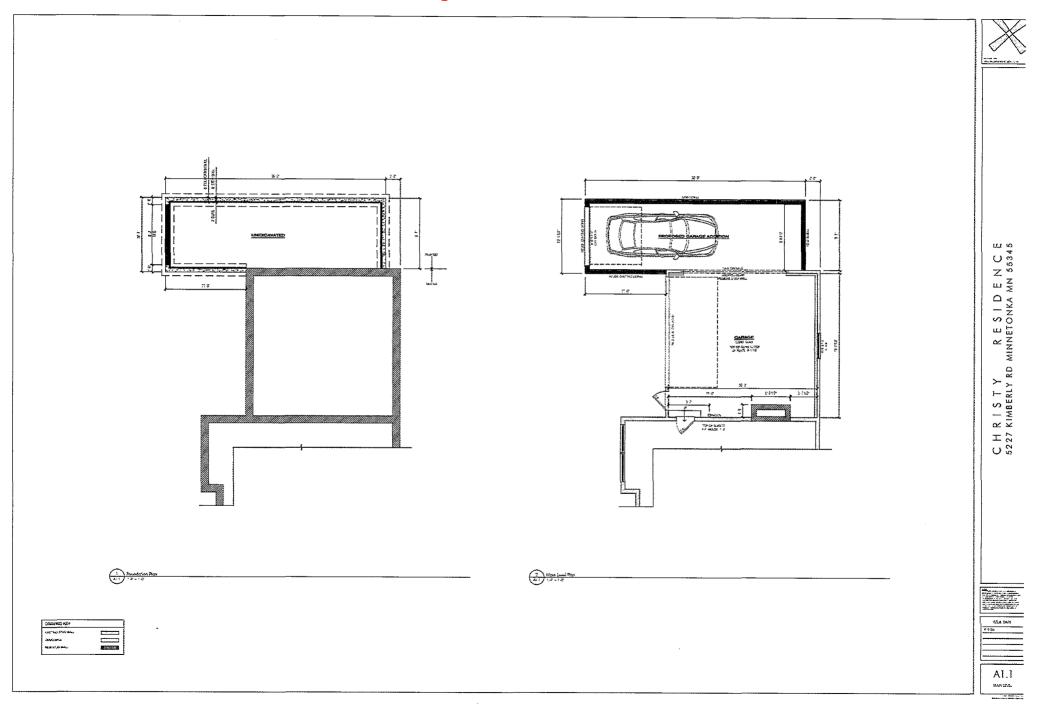
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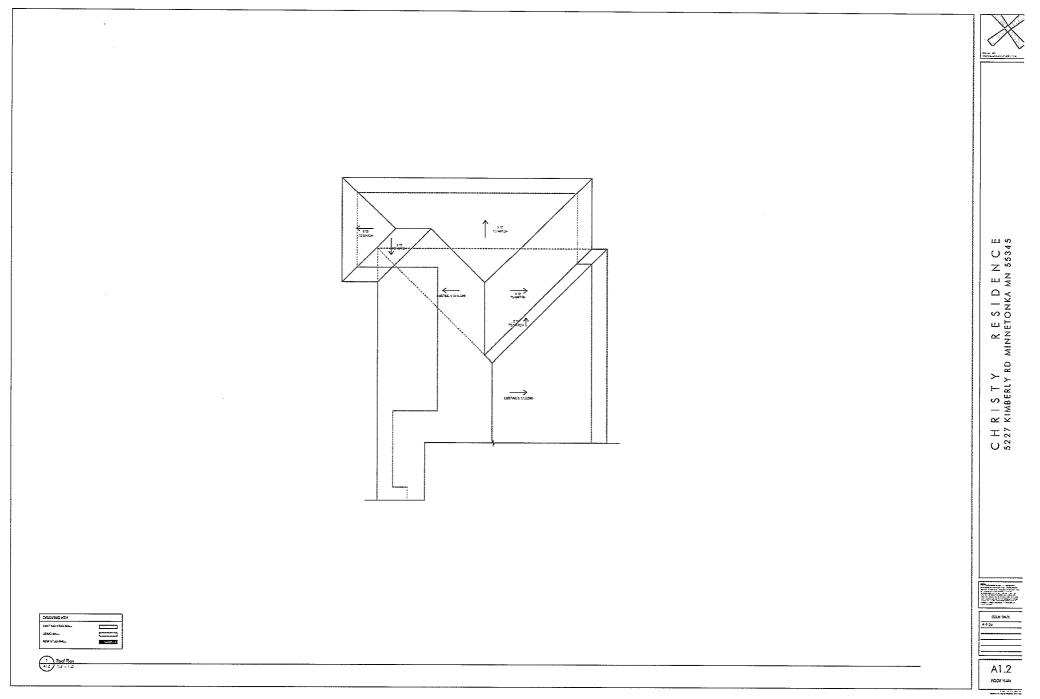
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## Proposed Floor Plan



### Roof Plan



Proposed Elevations

