

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT STAFF REPORT

October 25, 2021

ZBA-113-21

GENERAL INFORMATION

Property Owner () Petitioner (x)

Alexander Architecture

Requested Action and Purpose

Petition for a variance from the accessory dwelling unit size regulations

Location and Existing Zoning

405, 407, 413, 419, 421 and 503 30th Avenue East and 400, 408, 422, 426, 500, and 504 31st Avenue East.

Zoned RD-2 and RD-1. (Council District 5)

Size and Existing Land Use

15 lots, all approximately 0.17 acres, vacant

Surrounding Land Use and Zoning

North: Single-family dwelling and vacant lots, R-1 and RD-1

East: Single-family dwellings and vacant lots, RD-1 and RD-2

South: Single-family dwellings, RD-1

West: Single-family cottage courts, RD-2

Applicable Regulations

Sec. 24-346. - Detached house and accessory unit.

Accessory structure limitations: Building footprint (max)

450 sf

SUMMARY

The petitioner is requesting variances from the maximum footprint size of accessory structures in the Mixed Residential zones. The proposal is to build two-bedroom single-family homes with a detached one-bedroom accessory unit at 650 sf (25'x26'), plus an open carport. Accessory dwelling units are permitted in all RD-2 properties. Per the petitioner, 450 sf is "not functional" for a dwelling unit.

Office of Urban Development, Planning Division: If approved, 503 30th Ave E will need to be conditioned on the rezoning of the property from RD-1 to RD-2. RD-1 does not allow accessory dwelling units.

Office of Urban Development, Code Enforcement: No comment

Office of Urban Development, Building and Inspections Division: No comment

Infrastructure and Public Services, Engineering Division: No comment

Fire and Rescue Department, Fire Administration: No comment.



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PETITION APPLICATION

Last Updated, July 2021

Please complete all of the following required fields:

Location of Petitioned Property

Address: _____

Property Owner

Name: _____ Phone: _____ Email: _____

Address: _____ ZIP Code: _____

Petitioner (if different from owner)

Name: _____ Phone: _____ Email: _____

Address: _____ ZIP Code: _____

The Petitioner requests the following item(s) from the Zoning Board of Adjustment:

A special exception is a conditional use which the zoning ordinance expressly permits under conditions specified in the zoning ordinance. A variance is a deviation from the regulations in the zoning ordinance which requires proof of an unnecessary hardship. An appeal is a formal challenge of the zoning officer's ruling.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Special Exception | <input type="checkbox"/> Use Variance | <input type="checkbox"/> Variance |
| Commercial \$ 200.00 per lot | Commercial \$ 200.00 per lot | Commercial \$ 200.00 per lot |
| Residential \$ 50.00 per lot | Residential \$ 50.00 per lot | Residential \$ 50.00 per lot |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Short-Term Rental \$ 400.00 per lot | <input type="checkbox"/> Appeal Zoning Officer's ruling \$ 10.00 per lot | |

Briefly describe the variance, special exception, and/or appeal being requested. Include any related information, such as number of parking spaces, hours of operation, etc., related to your request.

PLEASE SUBMIT AN ELECTRONIC COPY OF THIS APPLICATION AND ANY NECESSARY SUPPORTING MATERIALS TO:

Office of Urban Development:
Planning Division

2201 University Boulevard, Annex III
Tuscaloosa, AL 35401

Email: zba@tuscaloosa.com

Answer the following for VARIANCE requests ONLY:

The petitioner must specifically state a hardship for the variance. Explain the ways in which the zoning regulation creates a hardship on the property. When a variance is at issue, the primary consideration is whether a literal enforcement of a zoning ordinance will result in unnecessary hardship. Explain any special circumstances or conditions that are peculiar to the land or buildings because of which a strict application of the ordinance would deprive the applicant of the reasonable use of such land or building.

Explain how the variance request is in harmony with the general purpose and intent of the regulations imposed by this ordinance on the district in which it is located and shall not be injurious to the neighborhood or otherwise detrimental to the public welfare.

Answer the following for SHORT-TERM RENTAL requests ONLY:

Provide the number of bedrooms and bathrooms the property has. Provide how many adults you are requesting to rent to and how many vehicles you are able to park in your driveway or parking areas (parking on the street is not allowed). Typically, two adults are allowed per vehicle. Include the width and length of your driveway. A typical parking space is 9' wide by 20' deep. Tandem parking (one vehicle behind the other) of not more than two vehicles is allowed, and a garage can be used. Photos can be provided with this application showing the proposed parking.

- For all requests for any variance from or special exception to a zoning requirement pertaining to a dimensional requirement or the site, a scaled site plan and/or building elevation produced by a registered land surveyor, professional engineer, or architect shall be required.
- Requests for an exception from fence requirements must depict proposed location and design of fence.
- Any request which will not be represented by the property owner at the public hearing must be accompanied by a designation of agent form.

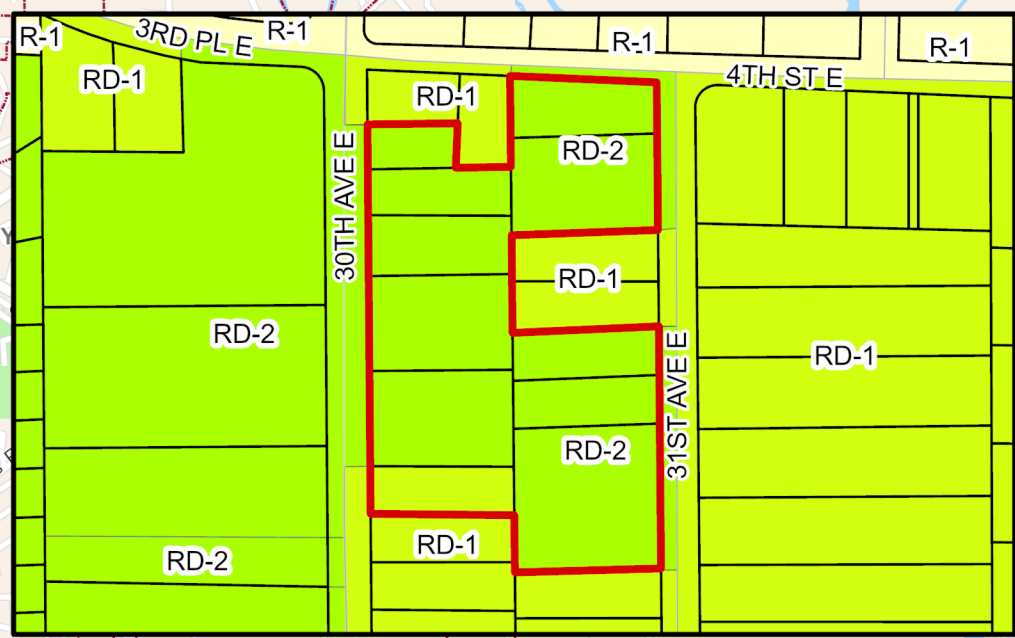
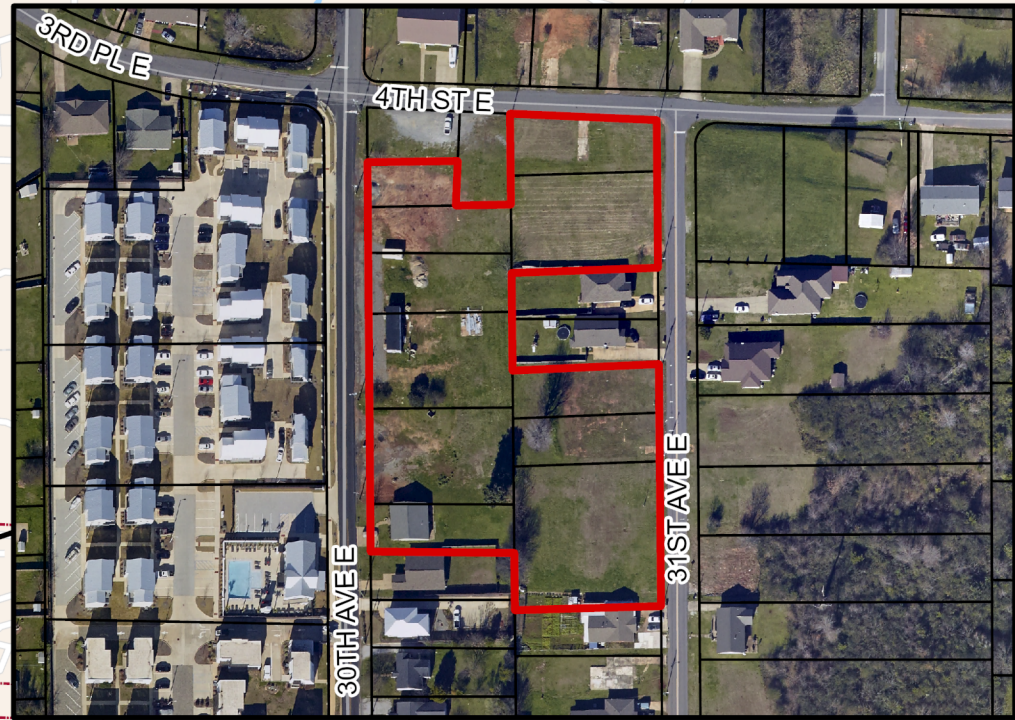
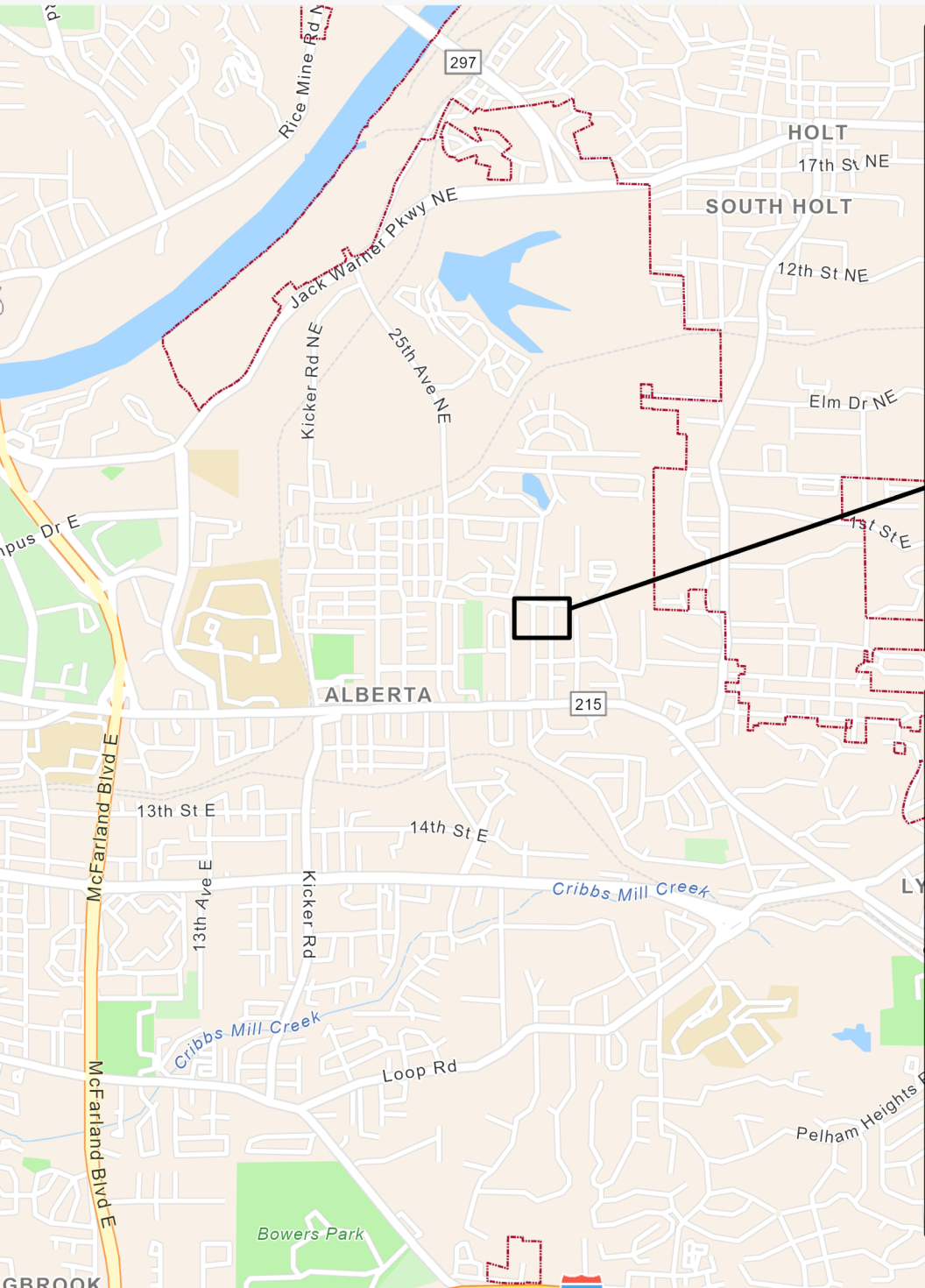
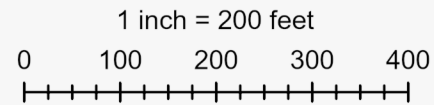
Certification of Applicant

I certify that the foregoing facts, to the best of my knowledge, are true and correct and that except for the exception, variance, or appeal requested in this petition, the proposed construction and use complies with all requirements for the zoning district in which the property is located. I recognize the City will send public notification and place a sign on the property with information for the public. This Petition will not be accepted until all required information is provided.

Print Name: _____ **Signature:** _____ **Date:** _____

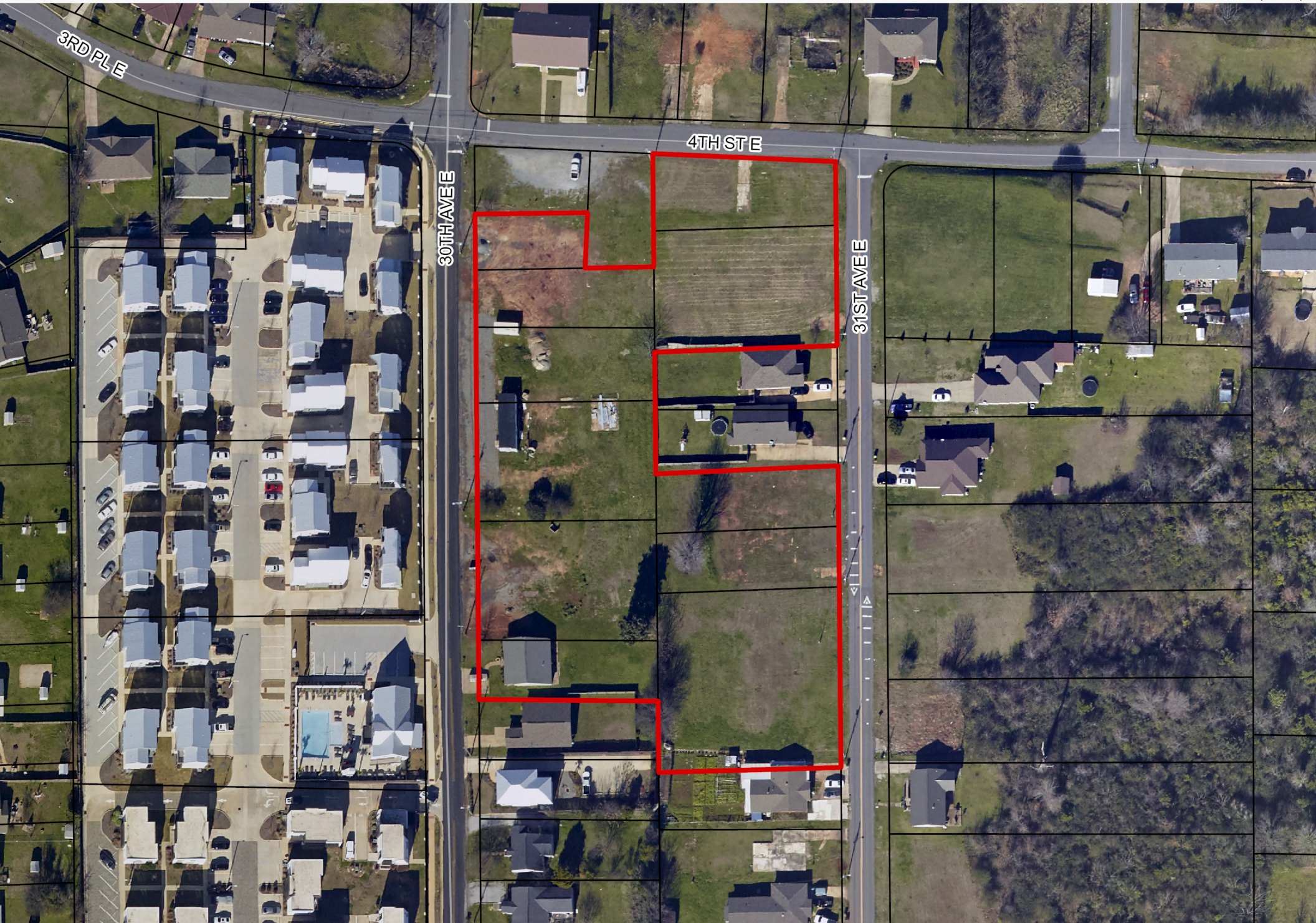
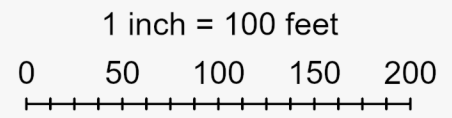


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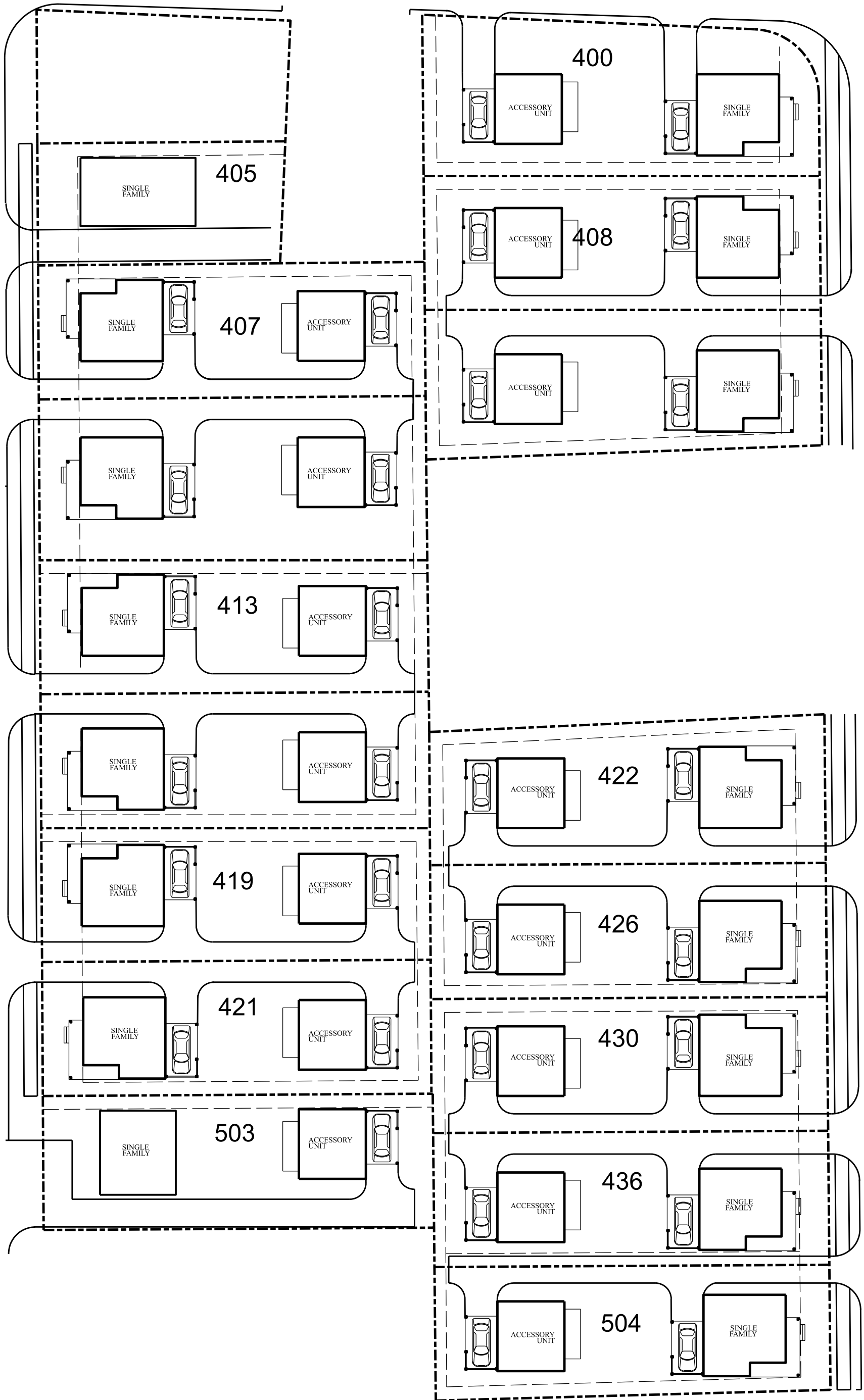


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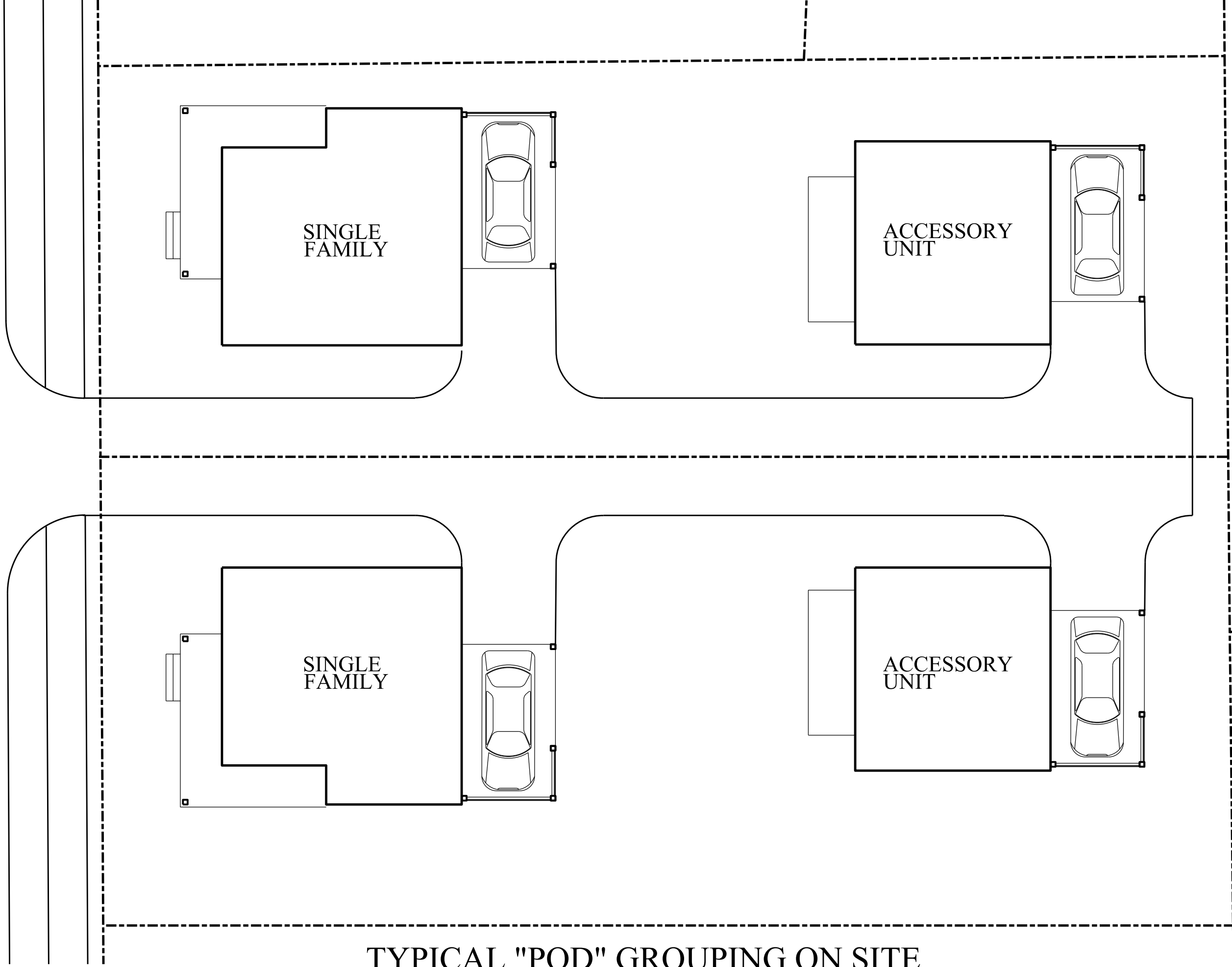
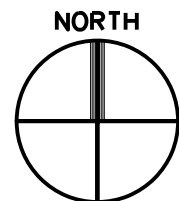
4TH ST. E.

30TH AVE. E.

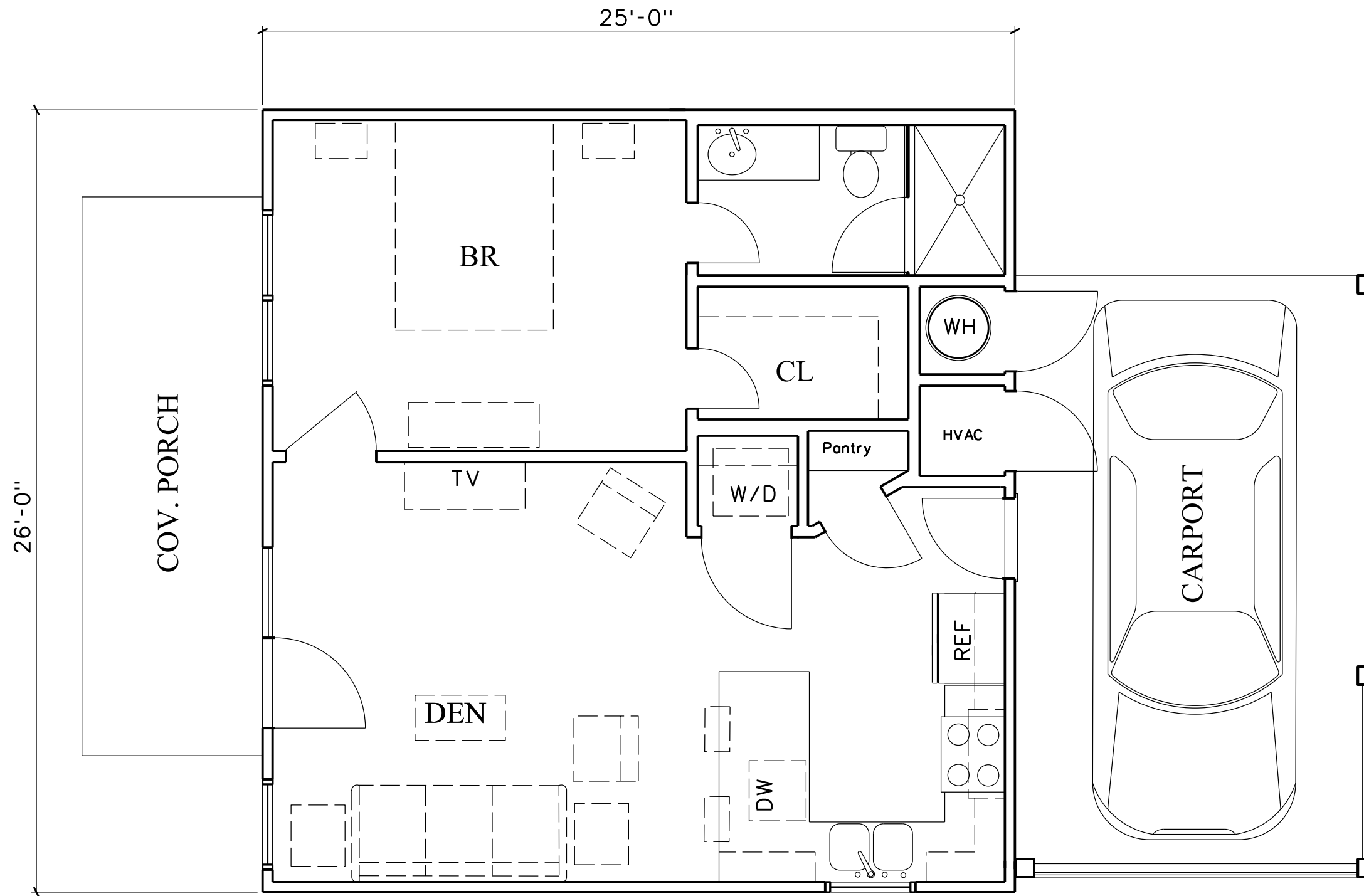


31ST AVE. E.

30TH AVE. EAST



TYPICAL "POD" GROUPING ON SITE



25 x 26 = 650 SF
Heated/Cooled



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