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Richard Harris
Director, Planning and Conservation
Town of South Hadley
116 Main Street, Room U6
South Hadley, MA 01075

RE: Park at Woodlawn
Lyman and Newton Streets
Project No. 21826

Dear Mr. Harris,

We have prepared the attached sketch of a cross section through the proposed residential building in response to concerns/ limitations of the local fire department. We have been working with them to come up with a design solution that they feel comfortable with as they have stated that parapets are not safe to cross over during a fire, and they have requested that we eliminate the proposed parapets at the edge of the set-back fourth floor. The sketch shows a 1'-4" high curb where the parapets were to be previously. As these roofs are for maintenance purposes only, a parapet is not required by building code. We are aware that the South Hadley Newton Street Smart Growth Zoning District is calling for parapets at the edge of flat roofs, however we are trying to work with the fire department in coming up with a solution that works for them as well. Our cornice at the edge of these roofs will remain as previously designed and will just be placed about 1'-4" lower vertically with this design change. We believe that the visual look from the pedestrian level will not be substantially different from what is currently shown on the elevations and renderings of the exterior of the building. We are respectfully requesting that the planning board accept this modification to our previous design.

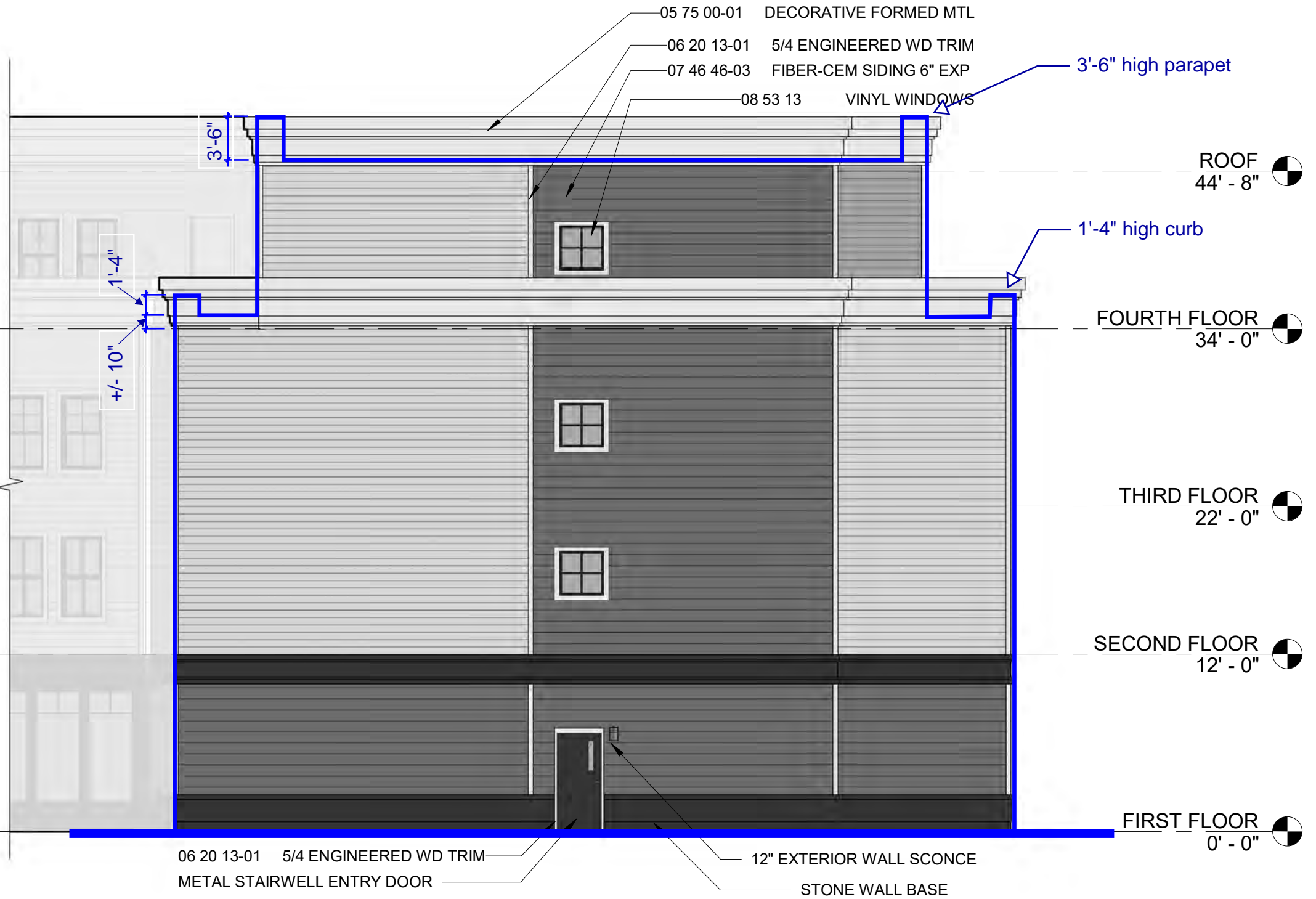
If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Yvonne E. Cruz".

Yvonne Cruz AIA
Senior Project Architect
Dietz & Company Architects, Inc.

Attachment: Sketch of Proposed Section, dated October 14, 2020



③ WEST ELEVATION
1/8" = 1'-0"