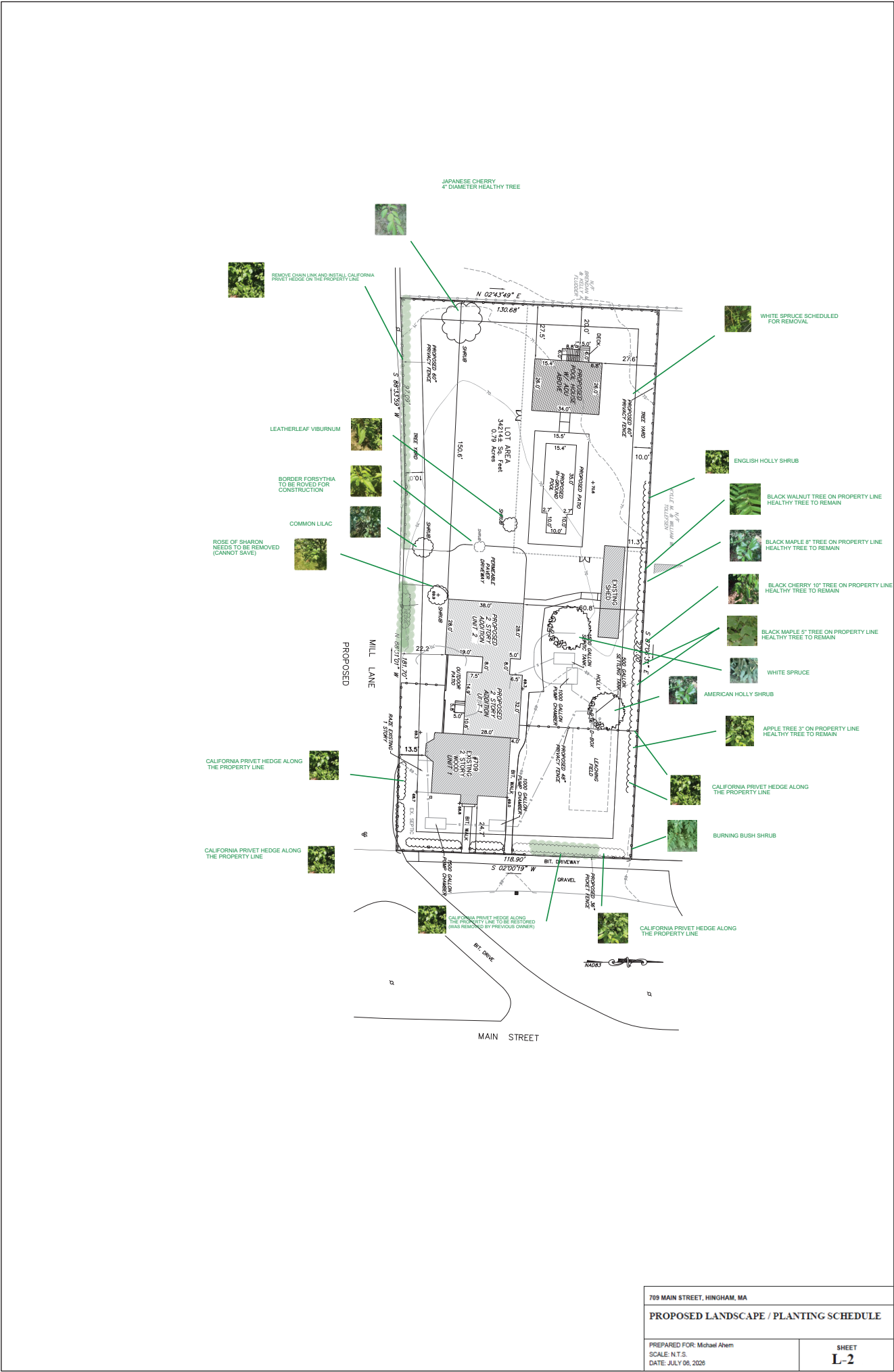




709 MAIN STREET, HINGHAM, MA

PROPOSED LANDSCAPE / PLANTING SCHEDULE

PREPARED FOR: Michael Ahern
SCALE: N.T.S.
DATE: JULY 06, 2026

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Key to plant locations shown on Sheet L-2 — Proposed Landscape Plan (complete list A–R)

KEY: Tree Shrub / hedge plant Hedge run Remove / removed New / restored planting						
KEY	PHOTO	COMMON NAME	BOTANICAL NAME	SIZE	QTY	STATUS / NOTES
A		Japanese Cherry	Prunus serrulata	4" dia.	1	Healthy tree, to remain (unchanged)
B		White Spruce	Picea glauca	-	1	Existing, to remain (unchanged) - see Sheet L-1a
C		White Spruce	Picea glauca	-	1	Previously scheduled for removal on Existing plan; removed
D		English Holly	Ilex aquifolium	-	1	Shrub, to remain (unchanged)
E		California Privet	Ligustrum ovalifolium	-	12	Existing hedge along property line, to remain
F		Leatherleaf Viburnum	Viburnum rhytidophyllum	-	1	Shrub, to remain (unchanged)
G		Border Forsythia	Forsythia x intermedia	-	1	TO BE REMOVED FOR CONSTRUCTION
H		Common Lilac	Syringa vulgaris	-	1	Shrub, to remain (unchanged)
I		Rose of Sharon	Hibiscus syriacus	-	1	Previously noted as needing removal on Existing plan; removed
J		Apple Tree	Malus domestica	3" cal.	1	On property line, healthy, to remain (unchanged) - see Sheet L-1a
K		Black Maple	Acer nigrum	5" cal.	1	On property line, healthy, to remain (unchanged) - see Sheet L-1a
L		Black Maple	Acer nigrum	8" cal.	1	On property line, healthy, to remain (unchanged) - see Sheet L-1a
M		Burning Bush	Euonymus alatus	-	1	Shrub, to remain (unchanged) - see Sheet L-1a
N		Black Walnut	Juglans nigra	-	1	On property line, healthy, to remain (unchanged) - see Sheet L-1a
O		Black Cherry	Prunus serotina	10" cal.	1	On property line, healthy, to remain (unchanged) - see Sheet L-1a
P		American Holly	Ilex opaca	-	1	Shrub, to remain (unchanged)
Q		California Privet	Ligustrum ovalifolium	-	3	NEW hedge; replaces existing chain-link fence
R		California Privet	Ligustrum ovalifolium	-	1	Hedge segment TO BE RESTORED (removed by previous owner)

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LANDSCAPE NARRATIVE MEMORANDUM

709 Main Street, Hingham, Massachusetts

Re:	Site Plan Review / Special Permit Application — 709 Main Street, Hingham, MA
Prepared for:	Michael Ahern, 709 Main Street, Hingham, MA 02043
Reference plans:	Existing Conditions Landscape Plan (Sheet L-1 / L-1a) and Proposed Landscape Plan (Sheet L-2 / L-2a), C & G Survey Company, dated July 17, 2025, revised July 6, 2026
Related submissions:	Architectural Drawings (pool screening/fence and walkways), previously submitted with this application's permit set and approved by the Historical Commission
Subject:	Narrative description of existing site vegetation and proposed landscape changes

1. PURPOSE

This memorandum accompanies the Existing Conditions Landscape Plan and Proposed Landscape Plan submitted as part of the Site Plan Review and Special Permit application for the property at 709 Main Street, Hingham, Massachusetts (Assessor's Parcel ID 126/0/52). It is intended to give the Planning Board and Zoning Board of Appeals a plain-language summary of the site's existing plantings and the limited changes proposed in connection with the project, which converts the existing three-family dwelling to a two-family dwelling with an addition, in-ground pool, and pool house/accessory dwelling unit.

2. EXISTING CONDITIONS

The 0.79-acre (34,214± s.f.) lot is well vegetated along its perimeter, consistent with its long-established residential character. The existing plant inventory, keyed A through P on Sheet L-1a, includes:

- Mature shade and specimen trees to remain: a 4" Japanese Cherry, a healthy White Spruce, an Apple Tree (3" cal.), and a run of healthy trees along the property line — Black Walnut, Black Maple (5" and 8" cal.), and Black Cherry (10" cal.).
- Foundation and border shrubs: English Holly, American Holly, Leatherleaf Viburnum, Border Forsythia, Common Lilac, and Burning Bush.
- A continuous California Privet hedge along the property line, occurring in five separate runs (Key E), which forms the primary visual buffer to abutting properties.
- Two items noted on the existing plan as not being carried forward: a second White Spruce previously identified as scheduled for removal, and a Rose of Sharon noted as unable to be saved.

Full identification, quantities, and photographs for each item are provided in the Existing Vegetation Schedule on Sheet L-1a.

3. PROPOSED CONDITIONS AND LANDSCAPE CHANGES

The proposed plan (Sheet L-2, schedule on Sheet L-2a) makes only the minimal changes to the site's vegetation necessary to accommodate the proposed addition, and otherwise preserves the existing landscape character:

- All healthy trees identified on the Existing Conditions Plan — the Japanese Cherry, White Spruce, Apple Tree, Black Walnut, and both Black Maples and the Black Cherry along the

property line — remain undisturbed in their current locations and are carried forward unchanged onto the proposed plan (Keys A, B, J, K, L, N, O).

- The existing California Privet hedge along the property line (Key E) is retained in place and continues to serve as the primary buffer to abutting properties.
- The Border Forsythia (Key G) is proposed to be removed where it conflicts with the footprint of and construction access for the proposed addition.
- The White Spruce previously scheduled for removal and the Rose of Sharon previously noted as unable to be saved (Keys C and I) have been removed, consistent with their status on the Existing Conditions Plan.
- A new run of California Privet hedge (Key Q) is proposed in place of an existing chain-link fence segment, improving the consistency and quality of screening along that portion of the property line.
- A hedge segment that was removed by a previous owner is proposed to be restored with California Privet (Key R), completing the continuous hedge line along the property boundary.

4. RELATED APPROVALS — POOL SCREENING AND WALKWAYS

The pool enclosure/screening fence and the associated walkways referenced in the Hingham Historical Commission's review of this property are shown and detailed on the project's Architectural Drawings, not on the Landscape Plans. That screening and walkway design was previously submitted as part of this application's permit set and has already been reviewed and approved by the Historical Commission. The Planning Board and Zoning Board of Appeals are respectfully referred to Architectural Drawings, already on file with this application, for the approved pool screening and walkway design. This Landscape Narrative and the accompanying Landscape Plans (Sheets L-1/L-1a and L-2/L-2a) address plant material only, and do not restate, duplicate, or modify those previously approved elements.

5. SUMMARY

Taken together, the proposed landscape plan preserves all mature, healthy trees on the property, retains and, in two locations, extends or restores the existing perimeter hedge that buffers neighboring properties, and removes only the vegetation that either conflicts with the proposed construction or had already been identified on the Existing Conditions Plan as not viable. The applicant respectfully submits that the proposed landscape treatment is consistent with the screening and buffering objectives of the Hingham Zoning Bylaw and the character of the surrounding neighborhood.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael Ahern

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