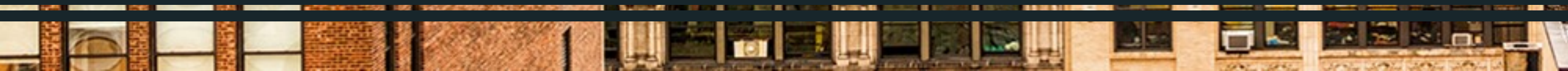




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Aiming for Future Electrification: BEEEx presentation 5/12/2020



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Project Team



Owner/Developer: The Hudson Companies, Inc.

Engineer: Dagher Engineering

Architect: MHG Architects | FX Fowle

Passive House: Steven Winter Associates

Hudson: The House at Cornell Tech

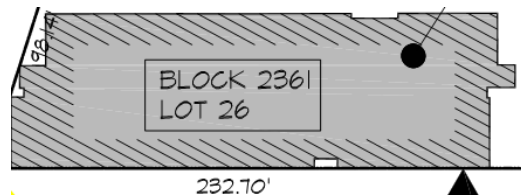
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- Affordable & Market Rate Housing
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 - PH
 - LEED Gold
 - NYSERDA NCP

About the Project



Located on Brook Avenue in Bronx, NY

- Pursuing:
 - Passive House certification (PHI)
 - LEED GOLD
 - Buildings of Excellence Award
 - NYSERDA Tier 2
- ~ 172,480 sqft.
- 166 units
- 100% Affordable Housing Development



About the Project



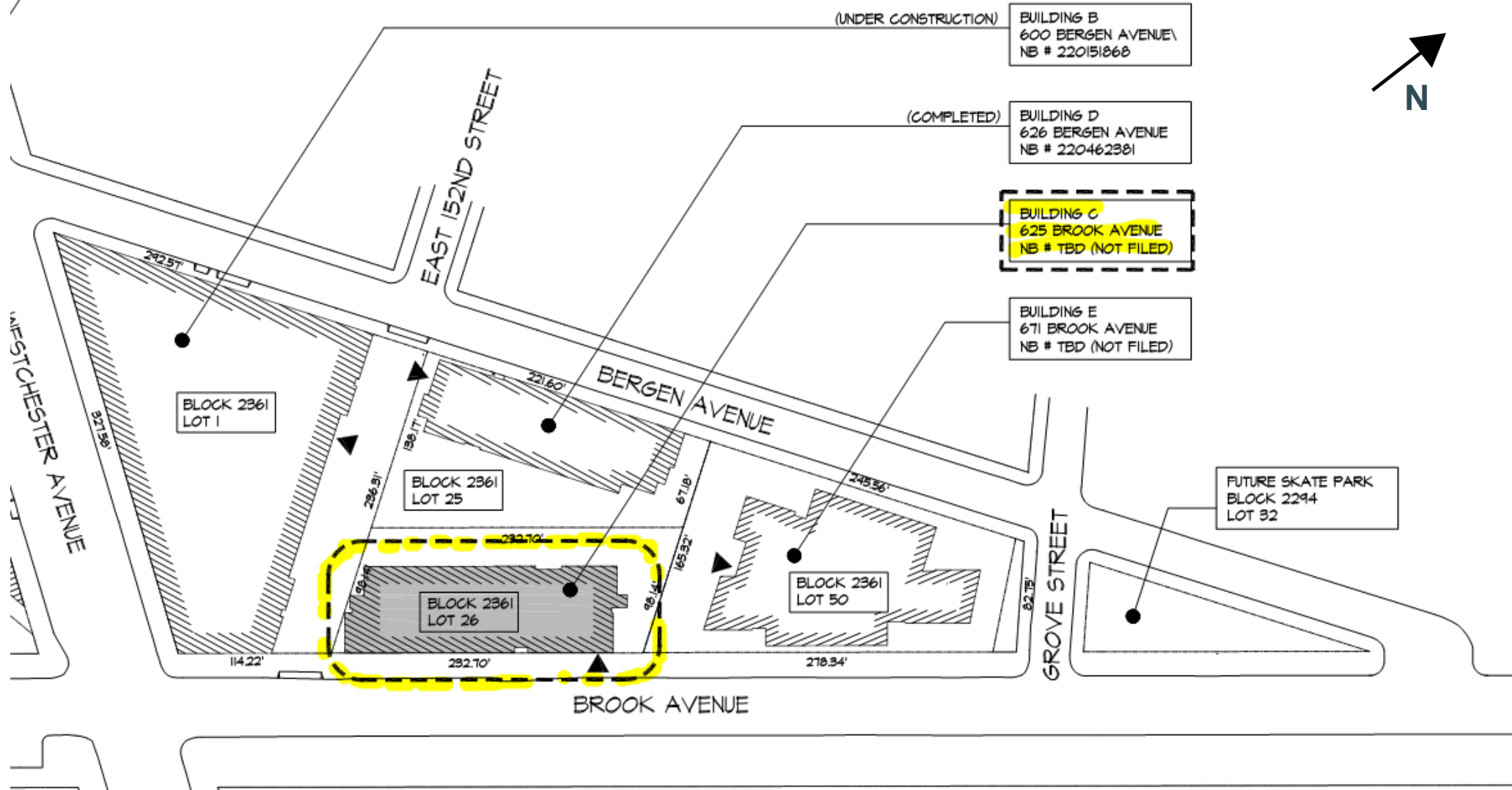
Bronx Community District 1

- only 3% of its land designated as park space
- 30% of the population lives below the poverty line (compared to 20% citywide)

La Central Development

- 5-building development that will result in two acres of public and private open space
- adjacent to the 2 and 5 MTA subway lines as well as numerous bus lines providing quick and easy access to Manhattan
- PH envelope will drastically reduce noise pollution for inhabitants

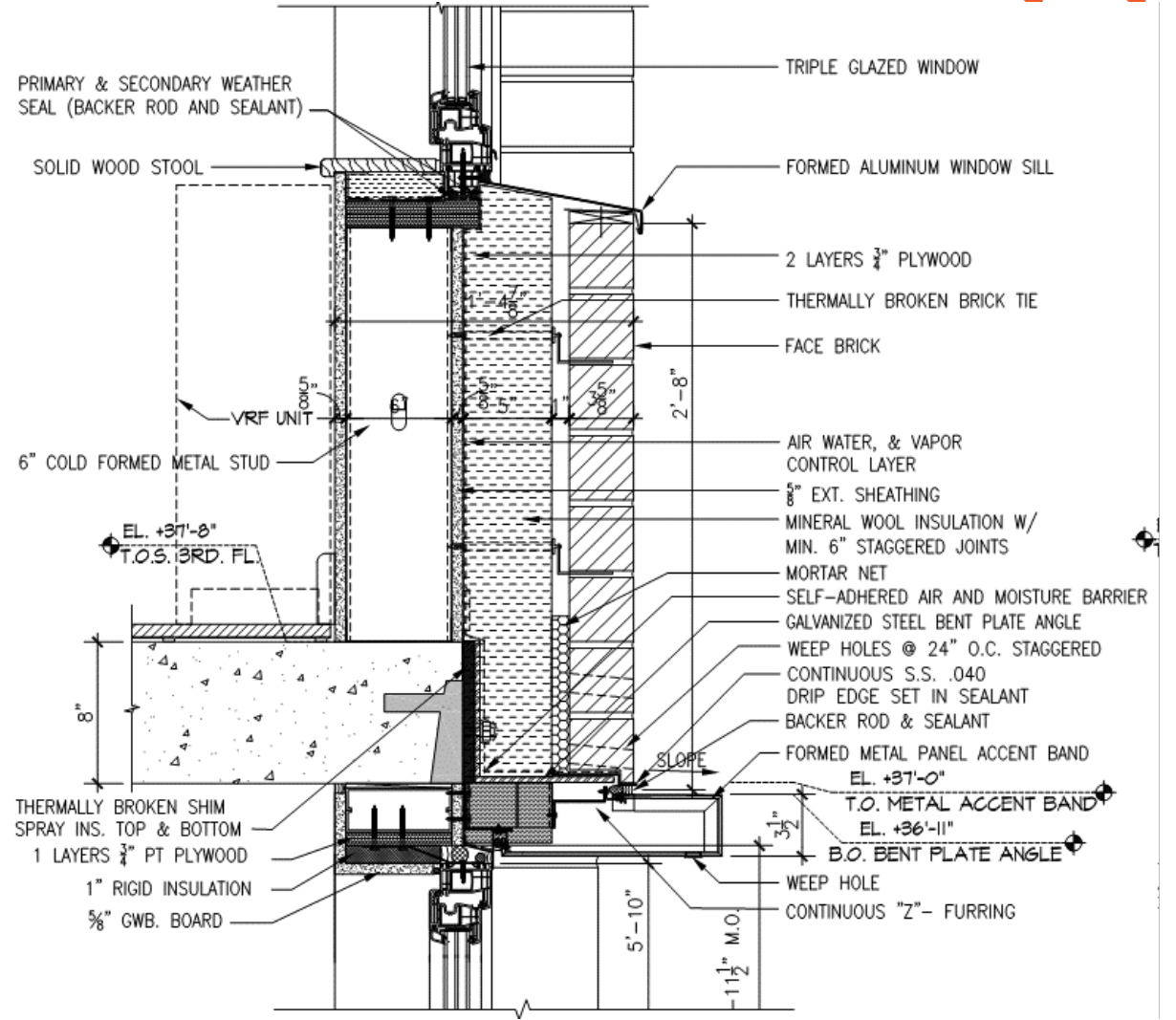
Site Plan



Envelope Description



- Above Grade Walls: R-22 hr·ft²·F/BTU
- Below Grade Walls: R-12 hr·ft²·F/BTU
- Windows: U-0.14 BTU/hr·ft²·F
- Roof: R-32 hr·ft²·F/BTU
- Foundation Walls: R-10 hr·ft²·F/BTU



Mechanical



REPLICABLE SOLUTIONS

Mechanical Ventilation : Energy Recovery Ventilators

- 80% heat recovery from exhaust
- MERV 13 filters to filter air pollution (Critical in the Bronx)

Heating and Cooling: Variable Refrigerant Flow (VRF)

- Moderate refrigerant flows to each unit—accommodates low heating loads

INNOVATIVE SOLUTION

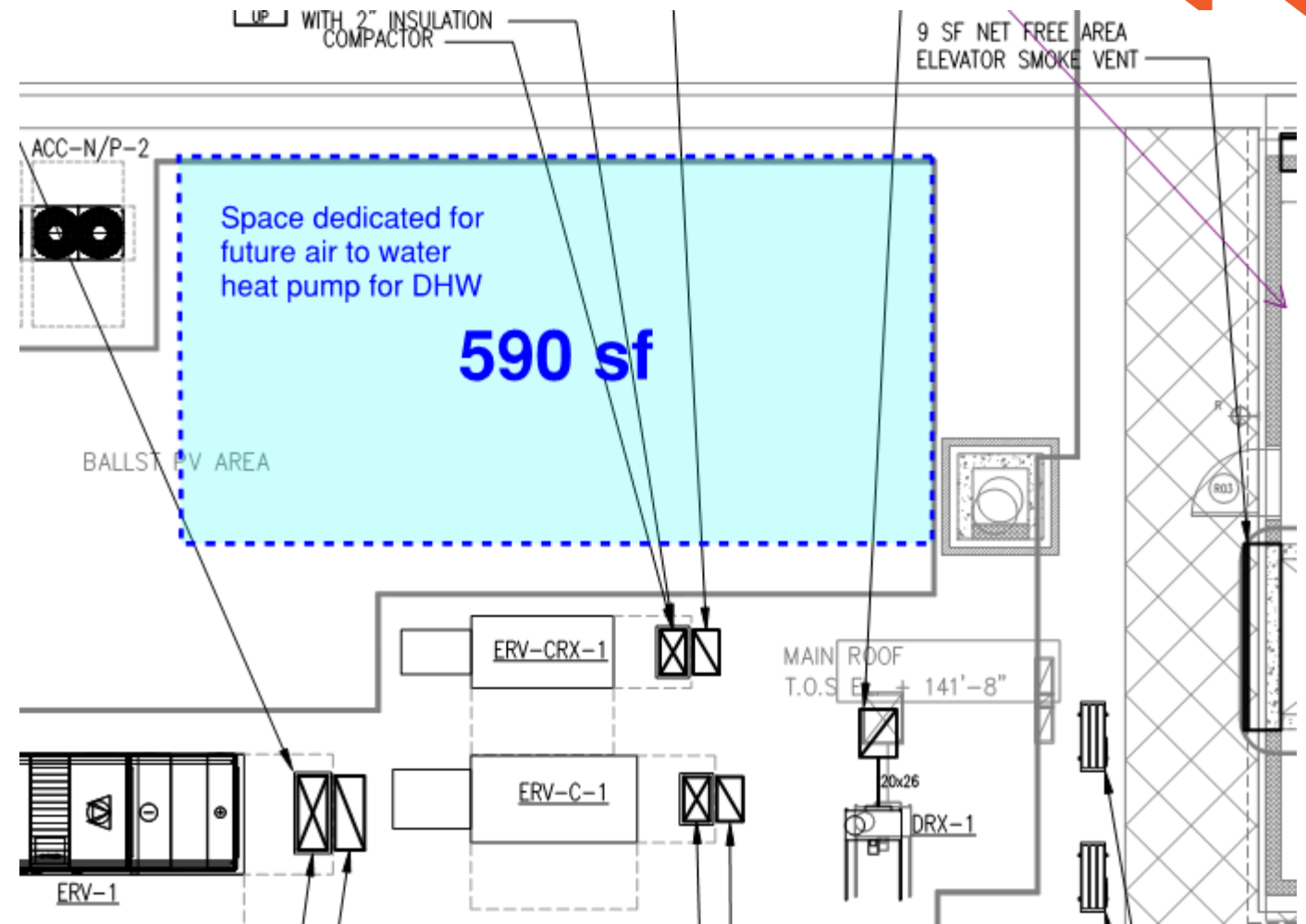
Domestic Hot Water:

- Evaluating the feasibility and cost-effectiveness of implementing a fully electrified solution
- Committed to future proofing at a minimum
- Efficient recirculation layout (lower copper cost, less heat loss to space)

Future Proofing for DHW Electrification



- Anticipate the same amount of roof area for the VRF outdoor units would be needed for a future HPWh.
- Locate this area close to boiler room to limit pipe runs.
- Ensure adequate space and structural support for additional storage tanks either in or near the boiler room.



Future Proofing for DHW Electrification



1. Ensure there is adequate electrical capacity for heat pumps. This includes:
 - added capacity in the house service,
 - a large enough feeder serving the area the heat pumps will be located, and
 - a large enough switch and/or blank panel in place.
2. Balanced low flow recirculation is best for air to water heat pumps.
3. Added breakers in the boiler room for additional pumps and controls for the heat pump system.
4. Leave valved off and capped futures for easier heat pump connections to the existing piping.

TIP: Consider installing a small air to water heat pump plant to offset some DHW load now so ownership and building operators become familiar with the technology while still having a conventional fuel-fired plant to rely on.



Future Electrification : Benefits

- Buildings of Excellence Competition
- Compliance with upcoming LL97 building requirements
 - Fines will surpass cost premium to design PH
- Resiliency with a changing grid

- Passive House Plus certification: 1st in US if accomplished

Levels of PH

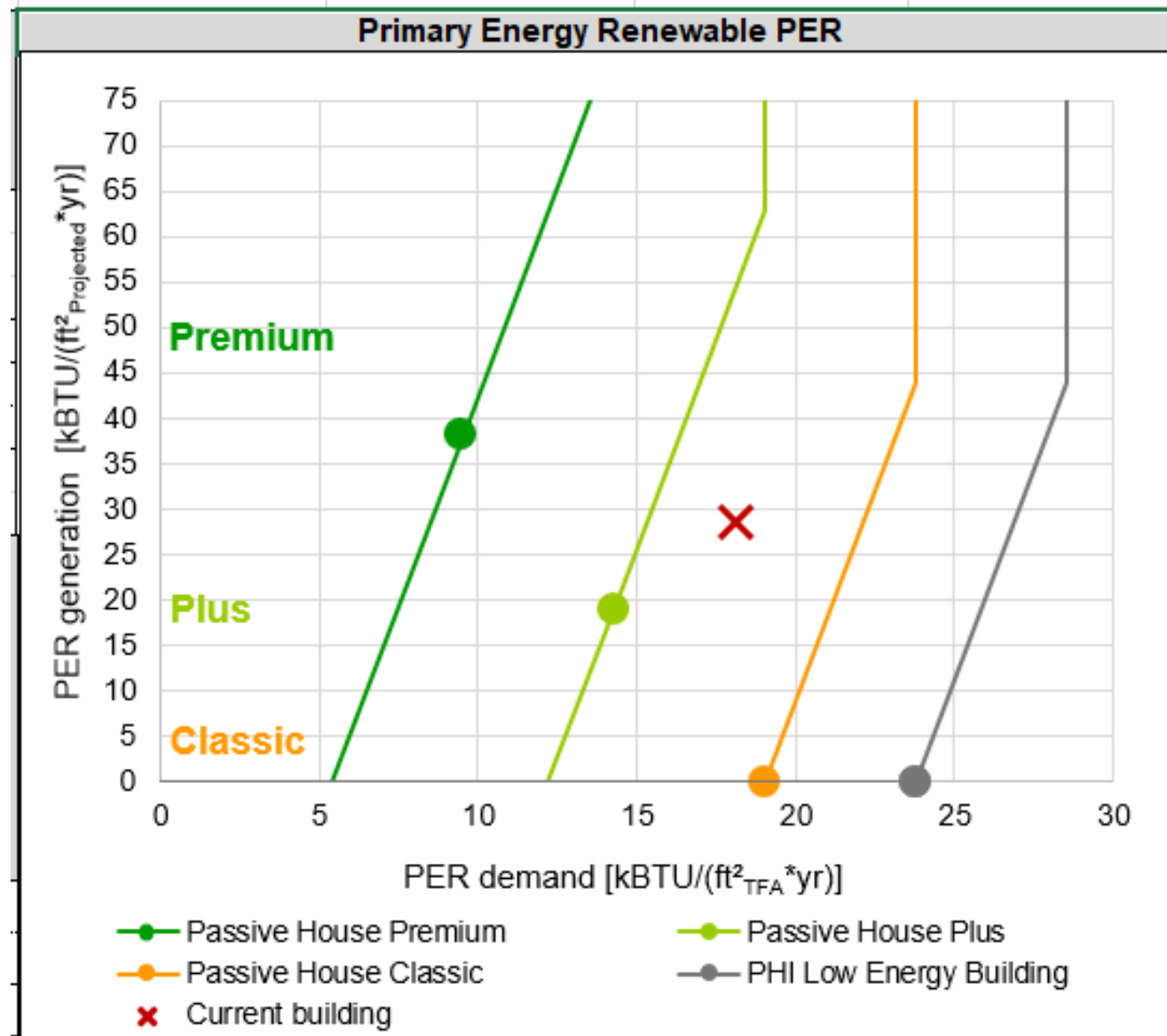


- Classic
- Plus
- Premium



<https://passipedia.org/certification/passive-house-categories/#per-factors>

Preliminary Modeling Results



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