



3.1 Design

3.1.2 Design Live Loads

Description/Design Approach:

- A. Live loads used in design shall be as per the **2022 NYC Building Code** required by Table BC 1607.1 (minimum), except as modified by the following table. Due to the possibility of change in the use of various areas in a school building and the increase of the student population in the future, live-load reduction as allowed by the Building Code is not to be used, except as approved by the Authority for unusual cases.
- B. Structural elements shall be designed to support the uniformly distributed live load or the concentrated load, whichever produces the greater load effect.

Use Area	Design Live Load LL (PSF)
Kitchen Areas*	150****
Mechanical Spaces**	75
Roofs with water retention***	45 or $R=5.2(d_s+d_h)$... [see EQ. 16-43] whichever is greater. Ensure Ponding Instability is addressed as per Section BC 1611.2
Toilet Rooms	60****

The uniform distributed design live load for each floor and the equivalent uniform partition loads or actual partition load shall be tabulated and shown on the drawings.

Note that the live load in school corridors above the first floor is 80 psf.

* The indicated live load includes most equipment loads. If a piece of equipment is in excess of this, such as the walk-in freezer, the design load shall be that of the equipment for that area. This loading shall be mapped on the floor plan.

** If a piece of equipment is in excess of this indicated live load, the design load shall be that of the equipment for that area. This loading shall be mapped on the floor plan. Note that condensing boilers vary in weight substantially depending on manufacturer and a 150 psf LL is recommended to be used to accommodate the equipment. Design the entire room for that load if it is a smaller dedicated room rather than the boilers being installed in larger mechanical room with many other lighter equipment.

*** This live load is only to be used for roofs subject to roof detention, and may be sufficient to account for some equipment loads supported on enclosed curbs weighing less than the live load. If a piece of equipment is in excess of this indicated live load, the design load shall be that of the equipment for that area.

**** ASCE Standard 7-16, Table C4.3-1 of the commentary



- C. At the roof level where rooftop mounted photovoltaic (PV) solar panels are to be installed, as per Section BC 1607.13.5.1 of the 2022 NYC Building Code the roof structure shall be designed for the greater load effects from either (1) the installed PV system case, or (2) the case without the installed PV system. In the installed PV system case, the exception to item 1 of Section BC 1607.13.5.1 allows for the removal of uniform or concentrated roof live loads where PV systems are installed and the panels are less than 24 inches clear from the roof surface.

Note: As indicated in Section BC 1607.13.5.4, roof structures that provide support for ballasted PV systems shall be checked in accordance with Section BC 1604.3.6 for deflections and with Section BC 1611 for ponding. Ballasted PV systems introduce sustained dead loads that will produce long-term deflections in concrete slabs and must be considered in design of such slabs.



whether seismic requirements apply to an alteration shall be made in accordance with the 1968 Building Code and interpretations by the Department of Buildings relating to such determinations. Refer to Local Law 17/1995 and TPPN 4/99. Any applicable seismic loads and requirements, including for the bracing of architectural, mechanical, plumbing, fuel gas, fire suppression and electrical systems and equipment, shall be permitted to be determined in accordance with Chapter 16 of the **2022** code or Reference Standard RS 9-6 of the 1968 code.

G. The following information related to seismic loads shall be shown on the drawings **per Section BC1603.1.6:**

1. Risk category
2. Seismic importance factor
3. Mapped spectral response acceleration **parameters**, S_S and S_1
4. Site class
5. **Design** spectral response accelerations **parameters**, S_{DS} and S_{D1}
6. Seismic design category
7. Basic seismic force-resisting system(**s**)
8. Design base shear(**s**)
9. Seismic response coefficient(**s**), C_s
10. Response modification **coefficient(s)**, R
11. Analysis procedure used

**3.1 Design****3.1.5 Miscellaneous Structural Drawing Requirements****Description/Design Approach:**

- A. The following items shall be shown, coordinated with or taken into account on the Architectural Drawings as well as other trades:
 - 1. Steel Attachments/Splices: Location and depth of walls and chases at steel cross bracing and columns needs to account for the splices/attachments and their bolt lengths with associated fireproofing, as it results in a substantially larger depth than the member measurement itself and is many times not accounted for in chase depths and needs to be coordinated with the Architect.

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3.2.1 Waterproofing Systems for Foundations

Description/Design Approach:

1. The preferred method of waterproofing for buildings subject to hydrostatic pressure is by positive-side application, consisting of a sheet membrane waterproofing system. The membrane shall extend up the entire height of the wall to just below the grade. Provide a mud-mat working surface to facilitate installation of the waterproofing at horizontal applications. Refer to Specification Section 07115 for materials. As the system must typically also act as an environmental barrier, the waterproofing details and specifications are to be given to the I&EH department to review to verify the system design is also sufficient to act as an environmental barrier.
2. All foundation construction joints (walls, slabs, etc) regardless of water conditions are to have a gasket type waterstop as a minimum and these shall be shown on the drawings. For habitable spaces (those occupied by other than maintenance personnel) subject to hydrostatic pressure, provide acrylate ester injectible hose-type waterstop system for all construction joints that are within the water table.
3. Where the building is situated such that the main portion of the building is not in the potential water table zone but deeper pits (elevator, mechanical, etc) are, a combination waterproofing and environmental barrier system by the environmental barrier manufacturer may be accepted in lieu of a full membrane waterproofing. All tie-in and overlaps between materials must be verified as compatible by the manufacturers of those materials.
4. Depending on the potential for infiltration from perched or surface water, the design team and A&E staff shall determine if waterproofing membranes or upgraded environmental barrier systems are to be used. A meeting is to be held by the 60% Construction Document specifically to review the geotechnical report and potential issues.
5. Surfaces subject to constant water, such as sump pits, are to have a waterproofing application consisting of a "crystalline" type waterproofing on the interior side. This is in addition to the positive side application required for high water table.

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3.2.2 Guidelines for Foundation and Slab Design

Description/Design Approach:

- A. The building superstructure is to bear on cast-in-place concrete foundations, either footings or pile caps, with concrete walls or grade beams supporting exterior walls and retaining earth. The foundation design, including the method of support for utilities, is to be based on the recommendations of a geotechnical engineer. A geotechnical report is required to be filed and the foundation designed as per the recommendations in such report as per Section BC 1803.6.1 of the 2022 NYC Building Code.
- B. Exterior foundation wall and slab protection treatment is based on the existing soil/water conditions and SCA technical requirements. For all conditions, provide a drainage panel on the exterior of all walls to the bottom of footing to reduce build-up of hydrostatic pressure from saturated soils. Where not subject to hydrostatic pressure, provide perforated pipe at the footing level connected to the storm system (through a readily accessible silt and sand interceptor and subject to DEP approval as per Section PC 1111 of the 2022 NYC Plumbing Code) or a drywell system by gravity if the existing soil at the footing level is of low permeability. Provide membrane systems as follows:
1. High Water Table/Perched Water Condition: Where the building is subject to hydrostatic head, follow DR 3.1.1, Guidelines for New Foundation Design - High Water Table or Surface/Perched Water. If the geotechnical investigation reveals the potential for perched water, the condition must be carefully studied and the design of the structure may need to be treated as a high water table condition, which could also impact the SSDS system. If there is potential for transient water to be on the site, discuss with A&E the need to upgrade the environmental barrier to a thicker placement or potentially a membrane waterproofing installation. Refer to DR 3.1.1.
 2. SSDS System: For projects requiring a sub-slab depressurization system with an environmental barrier on the walls and slabs and waterproofing is not needed, the IEH department will recommend the membrane system to be utilized and provide the design documents. Careful coordination is required if both an environmental and a separate waterproof membrane are to be installed at different sections of the foundation system; in such cases the interface of the two membranes must be approved by the material manufacturers to avoid a design where two adjoining materials are incompatible. Such interfaces are to be avoided. Provide gasket type waterstops at all joints in slab and walls.
 3. All other cases: Where there is no requirement for an environmental membrane on the foundation wall, utilize a sheet membrane waterproofing installed to below the slab level, typically to 1 foot below the top of footing. Regardless of water level, provide gasket type waterstops at all joints in the slabs and walls. Refer to Specification Section 07115 for materials
- C. Refer to Section BC 1809 for shallow foundation and Section BC 1810 for deep foundation design and construction requirements. Foundation walls shall be designed to support the weight of the full hydrostatic pressure of un-drained backfill unless a drainage system is installed in accordance with Sections BC 1805.4.2 and 1805.4.3. Follow Section BC 1809.6 for requirements for footings and foundations of structures assigned to Seismic Design Category C. Where a structure utilizing

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deep foundations is assigned to Seismic Design Category C in accordance with Section BC 1613, individual pile caps or piles shall be interconnected by ties. Refer to Section BC 1810.9.1 for seismic ties design requirements.

- D. For design of the foundation walls, perform a comparison of the cost effectiveness of a deep-grade beam versus walls with continuous footings. Since the footings should rest on a suitable soil, some of the wall footings may become very deep requiring additional excavation. In this case, it may be more economical if the walls are supported by piers at the location of column footings or pile caps.
- E. The decision to support slabs resting on grade structurally or to have the slab supported solely by the soil is to be based on the geotechnical report. Slabs on grade are to be designed, with the following minimum requirements:
1. Non-structurally supported slab-on-grade
 - a. Basement/Cellar slabs are to be five inches minimum with a minimum reinforcement of 6x6-W2.9xW2.9 welded wire fabric, placed 1" from the surface. The reinforcement and thickness is to be increased if required by design considerations. The slab shall bear on a vapor barrier and a minimum 6" crushed stone base, or the environmental barrier over the open graded aggregate where such system is utilized per IEH requirements (**typical of most new buildings**). Provide additional reinforcement at reentrant corners and joints as required to minimize cracking. Thicken slab at all masonry partitions. Indicate any required control joints on the Drawings.
 - b. Pipe & Duct and Crawl space slabs are to be $3\frac{1}{2}$ " minimum with a minimum of 6x6-W2.9xW2.9 welded wire fabric. The slab shall bear on a vapor retarder and 4" crushed stone base. Provide additional reinforcement at reentrant corners and joints as required to minimize cracking. Indicate any required control joints on the Drawings.
 2. Structurally supported slab-on-grade

Slabs are to be of thickness and reinforcement as required by design considerations, with the minimum reinforcement following recommendations of ACI 318. Bottom reinforcement is to have 2" clear minimum from grade and top reinforcement 1" clear from top of slab. The slab shall bear on a vapor barrier and 6" minimum of crushed stone base, or the environmental barrier over the open graded aggregate where such system is utilized per IEH requirements. Provide additional reinforcement at reentrant corners as required to minimize cracking.
- F. Coordinate with the project architect for foundation insulation to be installed below slabs placed on grade. Refer to DR 1.3.2.2.
- G. When provided for the project, Foundation Drawings shall refer to the Environmental Drawings provided by the I&EH department that clearly details the passive/active vapor barrier/venting system on the Drawings. The foundation sections shall be coordinated such that the design facilitates the installation of the systems.
- H. If the areas that require backfilling are narrow and will be difficult to provide proper compaction, specify backfilling with crushed stone and proofrolling.

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- I. Obtain utility company design requirements for vaults after providing the utility company with all required geotechnical data so the design can be incorporated into the Contract Documents.

- J. The designer and geotechnical engineer are to investigate the protection of adjacent properties and structures, as well as those of the school property, to ensure that a feasible scheme is possible. The Geotechnical Engineer is required to create an Evaluation Report assessing the condition of the existing buildings and subsurface conditions of the adjoin properties and file such report as per Section BC 1817.3, which is to be included with the Contract set. Design of the Method of Support (MOS) and who is to provide such design shall be determined during the early part of the design.
 - 1. If the Contractor is to be responsible for the final design of the underpinning/shoring/bracing scheme and for filing such as is indicated in Section 02200, a schematic scheme is to be indicated on the Drawings with adequate notes to ensure the Contractor is aware of all issues to be considered. As an example, if due to site restrictions on adjoining properties, the adjoining property cannot be excavated or accessed; or shoring can be only installed on the lot line, the Contract Documents must be clear to show the foundation is integrated into the shoring scheme. Also, schematic underpinning sections should state bracing is required if the height of such underpinning required by the project would be impractical without it and fail. The Contractor's engineer is responsible to review the Evaluation Report and if they believe it is not sufficient or want to design a different way, they are required to submit a new Evaluation Report, with back-up construction documents, as per Section BC 1817.5.3.
 - 2. If the SCA's engineer is to be responsible for design and filing, the full set of documents based on the recommendations in the Evaluation Report are to be included with the Contract set and Section 02200 edited accordingly. If the work involves underpinning or alternate means of support, the SCA's Engineer is to develop the monitoring plan per Section BC 1817.9.

- K. Since underpinning of gas utility lines will not be accepted/permitted by utility companies, it is required to investigate and coordinate excavations to be a minimum of 10' away from gas lines or arrangements must be made for their relocation.**

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3.2.3 Concrete Reinforcement

Description/Design Approach:

Reinforcing bars are to conform to the requirements of ASTM A615, Grade 60, unless higher strength bars are needed by design considerations.

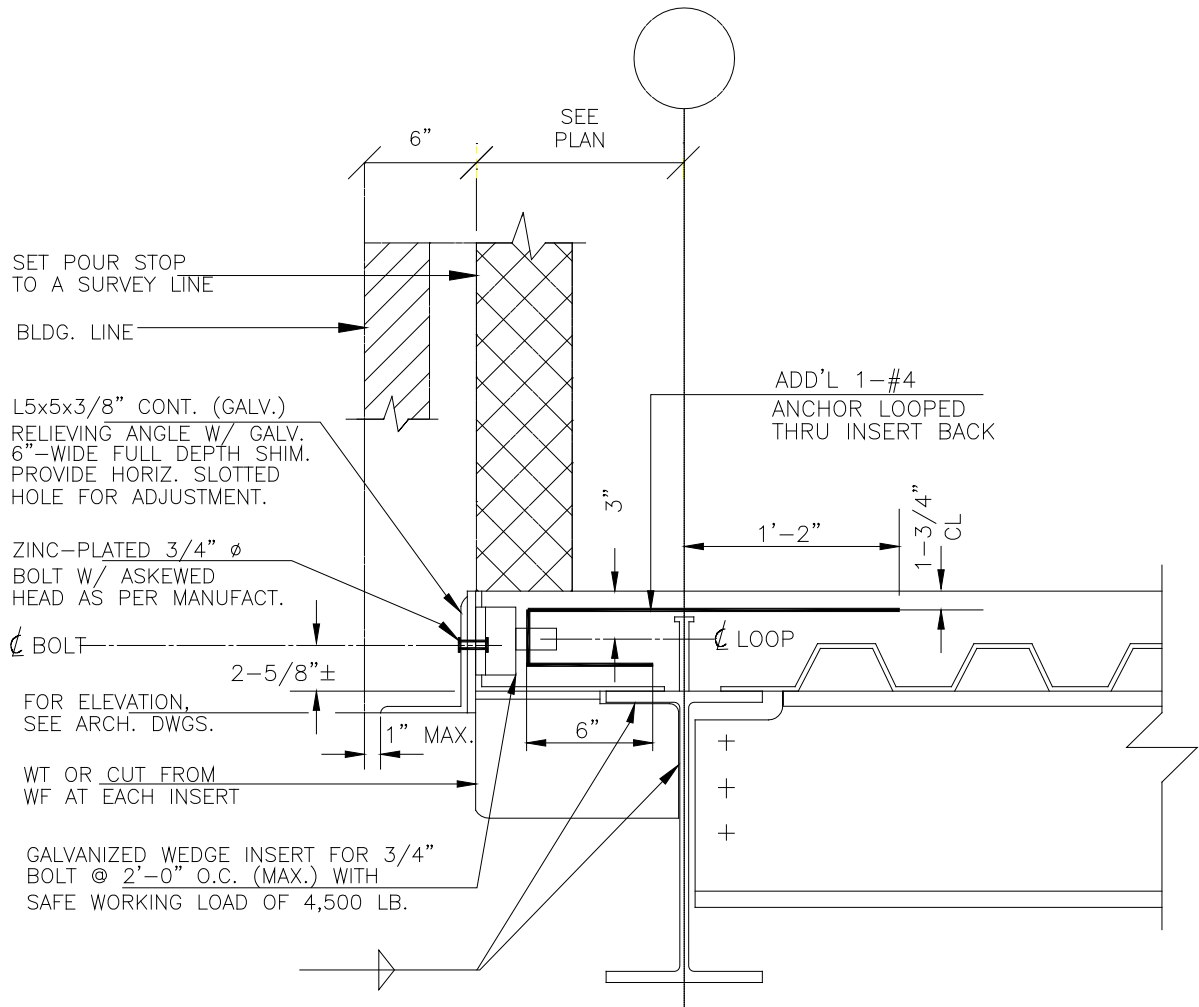
Wire mesh shall conform to ASTM A185.

Reinforcement to be welded shall conform to the requirements of ASTM A706.

Reinforcement for concrete exposed to the elements, such as exterior framed slabs, exposed face of retaining walls, **parapet concrete back up**, curbs, etc. are to be epoxy coated or galvanized.



- C. The following code requirements shall be evaluated and implemented where applicable:
1. Structures carrying live load that induce impact shall include allowance in accordance with Section BC **1607.10**.
 2. Refer to Chapter C2 of ASCE 7-16 for description of self-straining forces to be considered in structural design, which shall be included in load combinations required by Section BC 1605.
 3. All structures shall be designed to satisfy Structural Integrity Requirements of Sections BC **1615** through 1617.
 4. Structural columns that are directly exposed to vehicular traffic shall be designed for vehicular impact based on requirements of the Section BC **1616.4**.
 5. In buildings with gas piping operating at pressures in excess of 15 psi, all key elements and their connections shall be designed to resist a potential gas explosion, in accordance with requirements of the Section BC **1616.5**.
- D. Refer to Sections BC 1603.1.1 through BC 1603.1.10 for design loads and other information related to structural design, which shall be indicated on the construction documents.

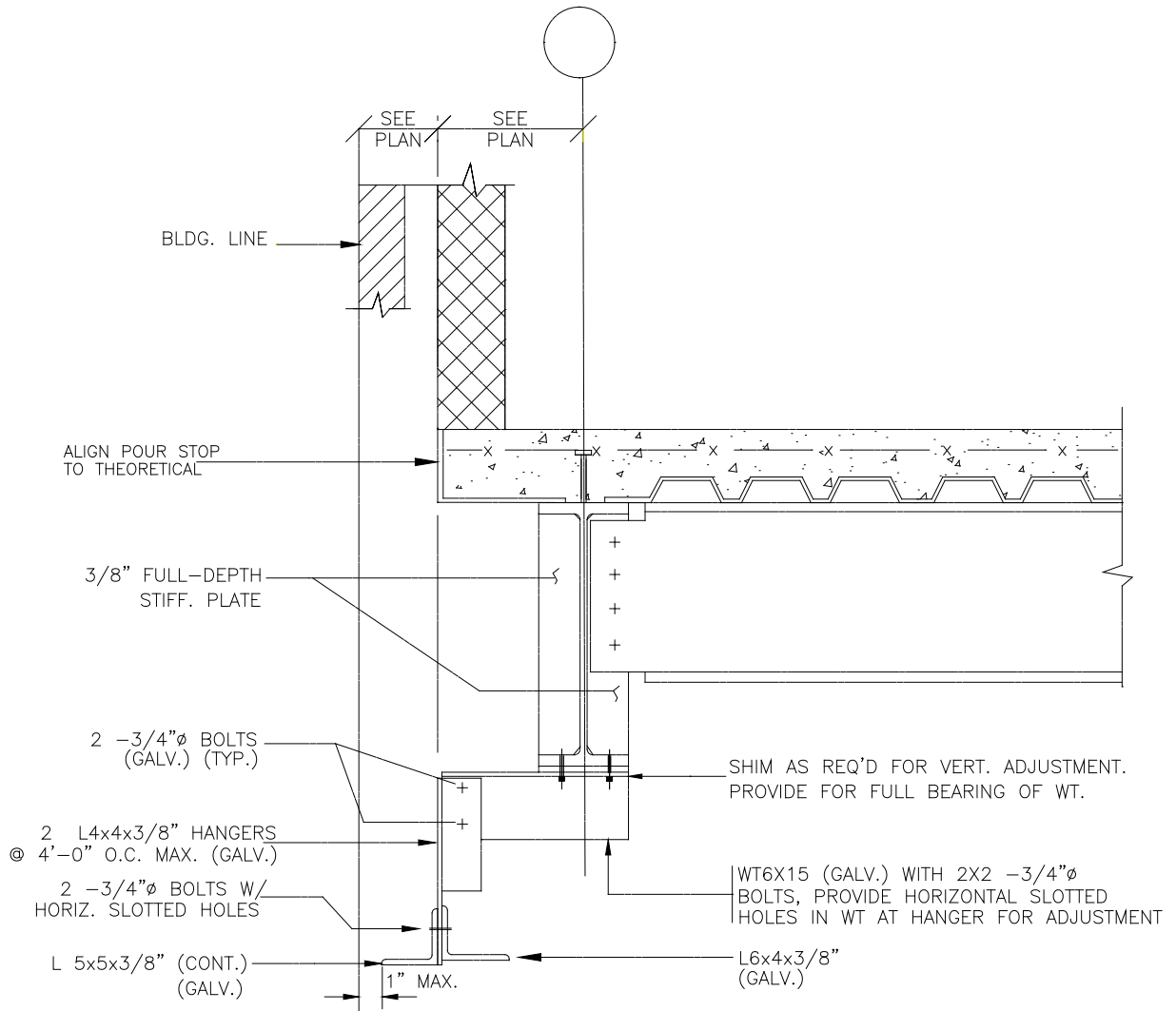


**CONCEPTUAL EDGE OF SLAB DETAIL
AT RELIEVING ANGLE**

DATED: 07/01/09

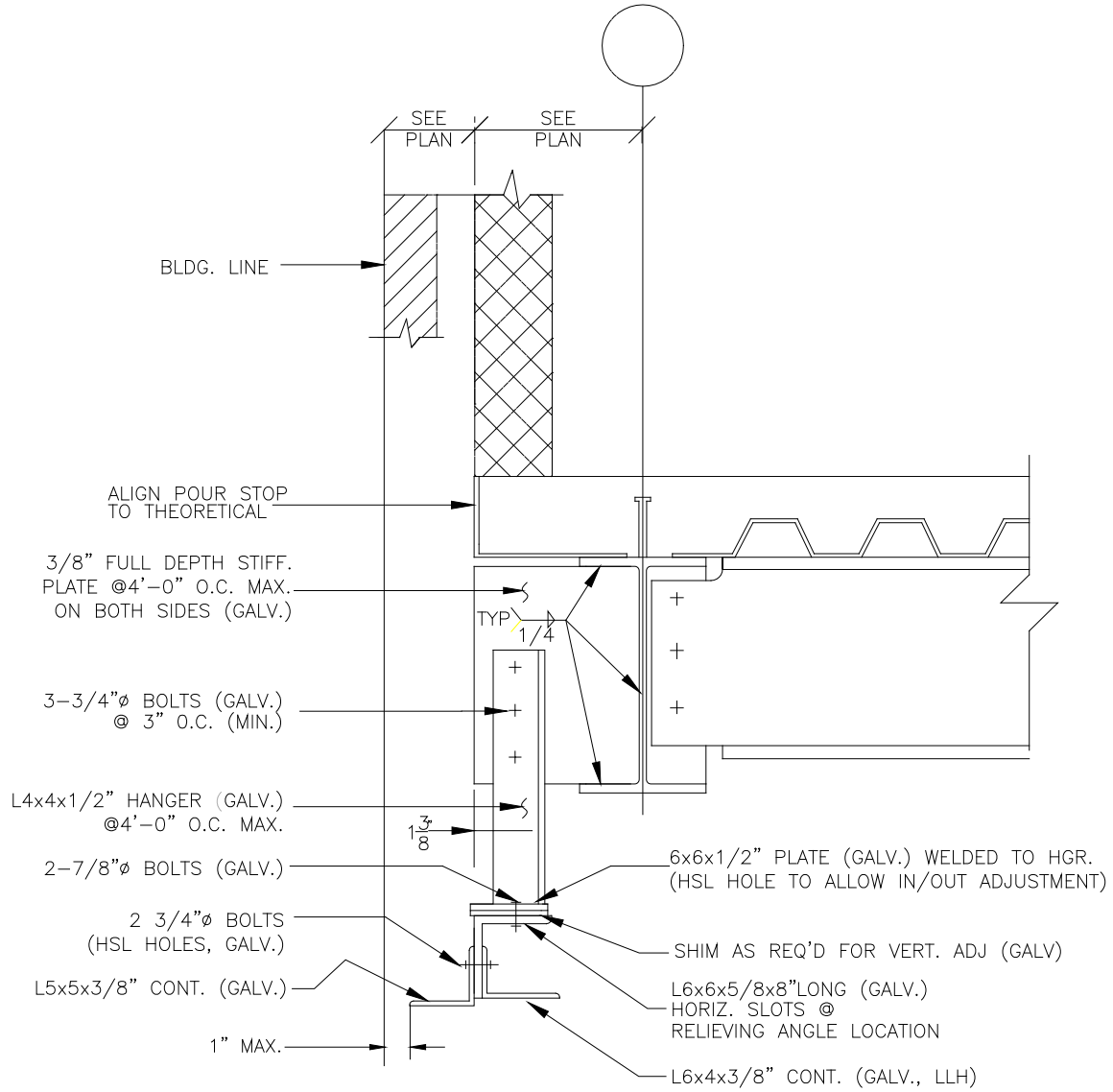
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1. INSERT DIMENSIONS AND LOCATION ARE BASED ON HOHMAN AND BARNARD HW340, WITH THEORETICAL BOLT LOCATION AT THE CENTERLINE OF THE "E" DIMENSION.
2. THIS DETAIL SHOWS THE REQUIRED REBAR FOR INSERT LOCATION ONLY.
3. USE HORSESHOE SHIM OF FULL DEPTH FOR ADJUSTMENT.
4. REFER TO TYPICAL SLAB CONSTRUCTION DETAIL FOR WALL/SLAB REINFORCEMENT.
5. CANTILEVERING OF ANGLES FROM INSERT AT SPLICES, CORNERS, ENDS SHALL NOT EXCEED 1'-0". PROVIDE 1/2" CLEAR BETWEEN PIECES AT SPLICE LOCATIONS.
6. DETAIL TO BE MODIFIED BASED ON ACTUAL DIMENSIONS AND CAN BE SIMPLIFIED BASED ON ACTUAL CANTILEVERING CONDITION.



SK2 CONCEPTUAL LINTEL ASSEMBLY AT WALL OPENING
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1. REFER TO TYPICAL SLAB CONSTRUCTION DETAIL FOR WALL/SLAB REINFORCEMENT.
2. DETAIL TO BE MODIFIED BASED ON ACTUAL DIMENSIONS AND CAN BE SIMPLIFIED BASED ON ACTUAL CONDITION.



SK3 CONCEPTUAL LINTEL ASSEMBLY AT WALL OPENING

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1. REFER TO TYPICAL SLAB CONSTRUCTION DETAIL FOR WALL/SLAB REINFORCEMENT.
2. DETAIL TO BE MODIFIED BASED ON ACTUAL DIMENSIONS AND CAN BE SIMPLIFIED BASED ON ACTUAL CONDITION.