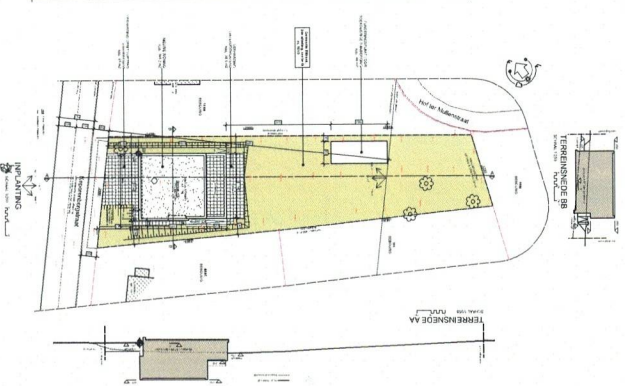
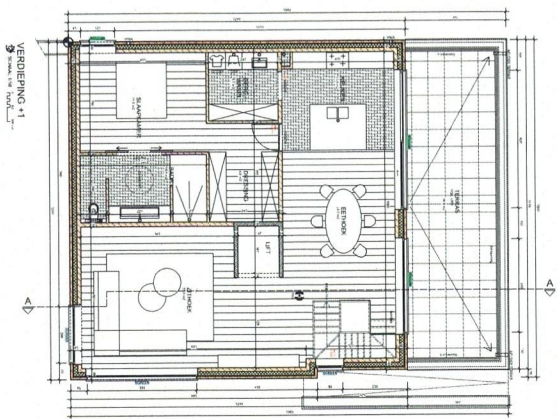
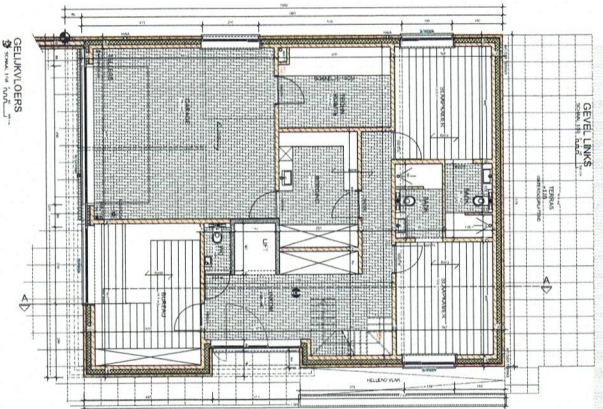
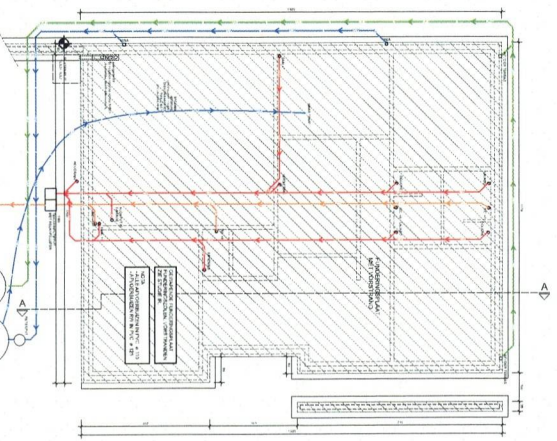
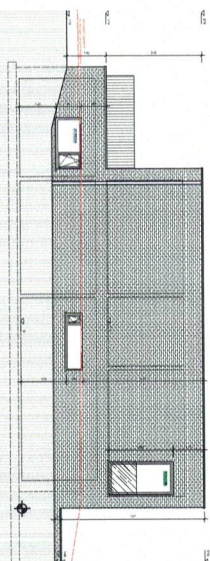
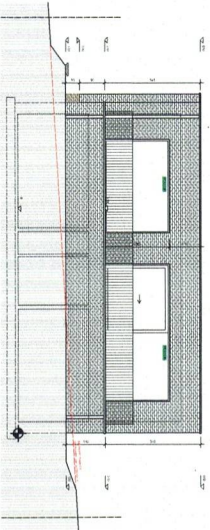
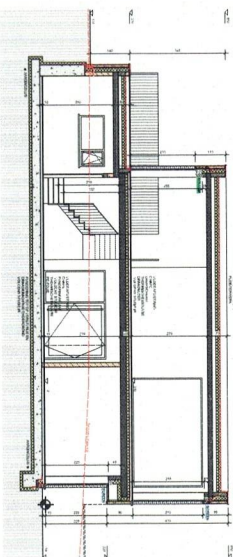
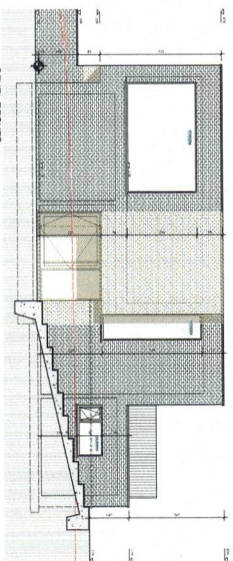
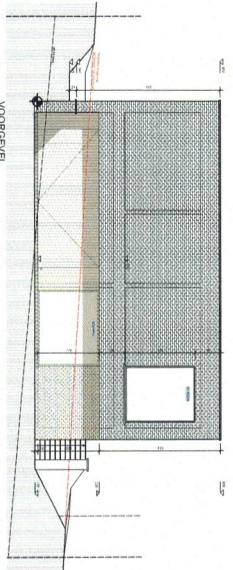


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PROSTATECTOMY is a surgical procedure to remove the prostate gland. It is a common procedure for men with prostate cancer. The procedure is performed by a urologist. The prostate gland is a small, walnut-sized gland located below the bladder and in front of the rectum. It is responsible for producing and secreting prostatic fluid, which is a component of semen. Prostate cancer is a type of cancer that starts in the prostate gland. It can spread to other parts of the body, such as the lymph nodes, bones, and other organs. Prostatectomy is a major surgery that involves removing the prostate gland and a portion of the surrounding tissue. It is typically performed using a minimally invasive approach, such as laparoscopic or robotic-assisted surgery. The procedure is usually performed on an outpatient basis, meaning the patient can go home the same day. Recovery from prostatectomy typically takes several weeks. Patients may experience side effects such as urinary incontinence, erectile dysfunction, and changes in sexual function. However, many patients experience a significant improvement in their quality of life after the procedure. The decision to undergo prostatectomy should be made in consultation with a urologist, taking into account the patient's overall health, the stage of the cancer, and the potential risks and benefits of the procedure.

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