

DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING & ZONING COMPREHENSIVE PLANNING | LAND PRESERVATION | FOREST CONSERVATION | GIS

AGENDA

WASHINGTON COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION
October 7, 2019, 7:00 PM
WASHINGTON COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE COMPLEX
100 WEST WASHINGTON STREET
2ND FLOOR, PUBLIC MEETING ROOM #2000

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

PUBLIC INFORMATION MEETING

1. <u>City of Hagerstown</u> [WS-19-003] – Proposed amendment to the Washington County Water and Sewerage Plan; Applicant: City of Hagerstown; Requested Amendments: Chapter 2.C, Chapter 3.P.1 and P.3, Chapter 3.Q.` and Q.2, Chapter 3.R, Chapter 4.D, Chapter 4.S.1 and 3, Chapter 4.T.1 and 2, and Chapter 4.U; Planner: Steve Goodrich (information will be sent under separate cover)

- MINUTES

1. September 9, 2019 Planning Commission meeting minutes *

OLD BUSINESS

- RZ-19-003 Downsville Pike Land LLC Proposed map amendment for 1.6 acres of property located at 10656 and 10662 Downsville Pike; Present Zoning: RS (Residential Suburban); Proposed Zoning: (HI) Highway Interchange; Planner: Travis Allen *
- 2. <u>RZ-19-004 JPK Properties LLC</u> Proposed map amendment for 2.86 acres of property located at 18423 Breathedsville Road; Present Zoning: A(R) Agricultural Rural; Proposed Zoning: A(R) with RB (Rural Business floating zone); Planner: Jill Baker *

NEW BUSINESS

- SITE PLANS

- 1. <u>Mountain View Animal Emergency</u> [SP-19-021] Proposed construction of a 16,330 square foot animal hospital on 3.35 acres located along the west side of Crayton Boulevard; Zoning: HI (Highway Interchange); Planner: Lisa Kelly *
- Thomas Bennett Hunter [SP-19-016] Proposed construction of a ready mix cement plan on 19.37 acres located along the south side of Hopewell Road; Zoning: IG (Industrial General); Planner: Lisa Kelly *
- 3. <u>Dollar General Hagerstown</u> [SP-19-024] TENTATIVE Proposed construction of a Dollar General to be located on Virginia Avenue; Zoning: BL (Business Local); Planner: Ashley Holloway * (Lisa Kelly will be presenting this plan for Ashley Holloway)

FOREST CONSERVATION

1. Procedures in Accounting for Local Forest Conservation Funds; Planner: Jill Baker

OTHER BUSINESS

1. Update of Staff Approvals

ADJOURNMENT

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UPCOMING MEETINGS

1. Monday, November 4, 2019, 7:00 p.m., Washington County Planning Commission regular meeting, Washington County Administrative Complex, 100 W. Washington Street, 2nd Floor, Public Meeting Room #2000, Hagerstown, Maryland

*attachments

The Planning Commission reserves the right to vary the order in which the cases are called. Individuals requiring special accommodations are requested to contact the Washington County Planning Department at 240-313-2430, to make arrangements no later than ten (10) days prior to the meeting. Notice is given that the Planning Commission agenda may be amended at any time up to and including the Planning Commission meeting.



CITY OF HAGERSTOWN, MARYLAND

Planning and Code Administration Department

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August 14, 2019

AUG 2 1 2019

Steve Goodrich
Planning Director
Washington County
100 W. Washington Street
Hagerstown, MD 21740

WASHINGTON COUNTY PLANNING DEPARTMENT

RE: Amendment Request 2009 County Water & Sewer Plan

Dear Mr. Goodrich:

Attached is an application from the City of Hagerstown for a request to amend Washington County's 2009 Water and Sewer Plan. At this time, we are not proposing any revisions to the technical data or capital improvement plans related to the City's water and wastewater systems. Any amendments related to that data will come following completion of our upcoming Master Plan project for our water and wastewater utilities. This current amendment request is strictly related to the growth and utility planning in the City's 2018 Comprehensive Plan Update, which municipalities are required to include per State law.

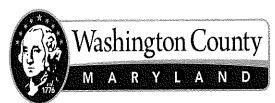
If you have any questions about this request, please do not hesitate to contact me. I can be reached directly at (301) 739-8577, ext. 140, or kmaher@hagerstownmd.org.

Sincerely,

Kathleen A. Maher, AICP

Director, Planning & Code Administration Department

c: Mayor and City Council
Scott Nicewarner, City Administrator
Rob Slocum, County Administrator
Hagerstown Planning Commission
Nancy Hausrath, City Utilities Director
Dan DiVito, County Division of Environmental Management
Jill Thompson, Director of DCED
Susan Small, County Department of Business Development



FOR PLANNING COMMISSION USE ONLY Rezoning No. WS-19-003
Date Filed: 8-22-19

WASHINGTON COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION ORDINANCE TEXT AMENDMENT APPLICATION

City of Hagerstown	□Property Owner □Contract Purchaser
Applicant	□Attorney □Consultant ■Other: Municipal W&S Service Provider
1 E. Franklin Street, Hagerstown, MD 21740	
Address	
Scott Nicewarner, City Administrator	(301) 739-8577, ext. 112
Primary Contact	Phone Number
City Hall, 1 E. Franklin Street, Hagerstown, MD	snicewarner@hagerstownmd.org
Address	E-mail Address
□ Adequate Public Facilities Ordinance	■ Water and Sewer Plan
□ Forest Conservation Ordinance	□ Zoning Ordinance
☐ Subdivision Ordinance	□ Other
□ Solid Waste Plan	
Section No. Revisions to Chapters 2, 3 and 4	
Please provide the proposed text on a separate sheet of paper as follows: strike-through should be used for deletions [deletions], unchanged wording in regular type, and new wording should be underlined [new wording].	
	Applicant's Signature
Subscribed and sworn before me this 14th day My commission expires on December 8, 2022	of August 2019.
My commission expires on December 8, 2022	Maria Kay Spickler
	Notary Public
FOR PLANNING COMMISSION USE ONLY	
□ Application Form	□ Proposed Text Changes
□ Fee Worksheet	☐ 30 copies of complete Application
□ Application Fee	

Chapter 2, Background Information

C. Land Use & Growth Management Strategy

Please add a new subsection for 'Land Use & Growth Management Strategy of the City of Hagerstown' on II-38:

visionHagerstown 2035 is the City of Hagerstown's comprehensive plan and it sets the policies and recommended actions to guide future development, infrastructure, and the physical character of Hagerstown for a 20-year period. Major focus areas of the plan include growth and annexation, wastewater and water resources, revitalization of existing land, revitalization of downtown, transportation, housing and neighborhood revitalization, and environmental resources. The plan meets the legal requirements for local government planning in Maryland pursuant to State enabling legislation and requirements contained in the Land Use Article in the Annotated Code of Maryland. This includes the requirements for a Water Resources Element and a Municipal Growth Element, which provide analyses of projected growth in and around the city and the available public water and wastewater capacity to serve development in and around the city.

The Growth Management and Land Use Element of the City's comprehensive plan sets forth the policies to guide future residential and non-residential development, annexation, and redevelopment of vacant and underutilized areas. This element contains the future land use plan for the city and its growth area, which includes 10 different land use policy classifications. These land use classifications are implemented through the City's Land Management Code and a comprehensive rezoning process for the city following plan adoption. The goals of this element of the plan are to:

- 1. Channel future growth in a way that strengthens the City's role as the provider of urban services to the Hagerstown Urban Growth Area, and as the economic, cultural, and institutional center of Washington County;
- 2. Enlarge the city's corporate boundaries in order to become a stronger city, increase economic development, deliver urban services in an efficient manner, and promote fiscal stability;
- 3. Physically integrate the proposed growth area with existing developed areas of the city;
- 4. Re-use and revitalize vacant and underutilized land, to support economic development and neighborhood enhancement goals;
- 5. Re-align the Medium Range Growth Area (MRGA) to include areas where growth is more likely to occur and to de-emphasize areas where growth is not likely to happen within the 20 year life of the plan.

As required by State law for municipalities, the City's comprehensive plan defines a growth boundary around the city which is prioritized for growth based on the ability to provide public

water and wastewater to serve new development. The plan identifies the City of Hagerstown as the number one priority for service to ensure redevelopment and infill development in the city has sufficient utility capacity available to serve new customers. The provision of City water service outside the corporate limits of the city is contingent upon location in the City's growth area, unless an exception is granted for outside that area, and upon annexation or granting of a pre-annexation agreement on the property, as required by the City's Annexation Policy. The City's comprehensive plan in 2008 established a two-tier growth area – a Medium Range Growth Area (MRGA) and a Long Range Growth Area (LRGA). visionHagerstown 2035 reestablished this growth tier system and made some adjustments to the MRGA boundary based on current growth demands.

The MRGA and the city are the City's planned area of service for its water and wastewater resources for the 20 year life of the plan. The analysis of growth and available capacity to serve growth in the plan has determined that there is adequate capacity to meet the projected growth demands in the city and the MRGA for the 20 year life of the plan. There is not sufficient capacity currently for full build out of the MRGA, however. The boundaries of the LRGA mirror the County's 2002 Urban Growth Area boundary. Because of these capacity limitations, City water and wastewater service is not planned for the area between the MRGA and LRGA boundaries before 2035, unless an exception is provided by the City Utilities Director or the Mayor and City Council through the City's Water and Wastewater Policy. Any City water lines located outside the LRGA are considered restricted and new service shall not be permitted, except for health and safety reasons.

The City developed a Water and Wastewater Policy in 2004 to address those exceptions which the City Utilities Director and the Mayor and City Council may consider for service requests outside the growth area. Subsequent amendments tied this policy to the MRGA and added additional exceptions consistent with comprehensive plan goals. The policy implements the City's comprehensive plan direction that service outside the MRGA may be considered for employment centers in support of City and County economic development and other goals and policies in the City plan. The City's Water and Wastewater Policy acknowledges that water commitments may have been made previously outside the MRGA and those commitments will be honored. In addition, existing lots of record for residential development which were platted along streets containing public water or wastewater lines before the adoption of this policy have the legitimate expectation of eventual service, and so requests for water for single-family and two-family homes in this circumstance will be honored through an exemption in this policy. The policy also provides conditions for certain exceptions for public health and safety reasons, such as 1) a property with a failing or condemned well or septic system, and 2) existing or proposed lots for single-family and two-family development along streets containing water or wastewater lines in the GWUDI area near Hagerstown where the Health Department will not approve new wells. The policy sets a cap on the number of lots that may be approved for the GWUDI exception per year. Other possible exceptions are for system improvements, affordable

housing developments, facilities for an essential public service, and vital economic development projects in targeted areas for industrial and non-retail economic development.

The entirety of the City's Comprehensive Plan, Water and Wastewater Policy, and Annexation Policy may be viewed on the Planning and Zoning page of the City web site at www.hagerstownmd.org.

Chapter 3, Existing and Planned Water Supply Systems

- P. Service Area Requirements
 - 1. Urban and Town Growth Area Service Areas

Please add a new paragraph at the end of this section on III-31:

The City of Hagerstown's Comprehensive Plan established a two tiered growth area around the city, Medium Range Growth Area and Long Range Growth Area. Areas within the MRGA are planned for service. Areas outside the MRGA are not planned for City water or wastewater service before 2035, unless an exemption is granted by the Mayor and City Council through the City's Water & Wastewater Policy.

3. Restricted Service Areas

Please insert at the end of the sentence in the first paragraph on III-32:

The use of the facilities within these service areas is limited to the following conditions, provided the service request is consistent with the policies and plans of the service provider:

Please add a footnote at the end of the above modified sentence on III-32:

Any existing or future City water lines extending outside the LRGA shall be considered restricted and no additional connections will be permitted, except for health and safety reasons as outlined in the City Water & Wastewater Policy. Requests for services in this circumstance shall be reviewed on a case-by-case basis by the City for compliance with the City Water & Wastewater Policy.

Q. Priority Classification Requirements

1. W-1 Priority (Existing Service or Under Construction)

Please modify 'footnote 12' to sub-section 'a' on III-33:

The adequacy or availability of community water service to a particular parcel of land is a judgment which must be made in each case through consultation among the responsible agencies, including the service provider, and cannot be made on the basis of this Plan alone. The City of Hagerstown's Comprehensive Plan established a two tiered growth area around the city, Medium Range Growth Area and Long Range Growth Area. Areas within the MRGA are planned for service. Areas outside the MRGA are not planned for City water or wastewater service before 2035, unless an exemption is granted by the Mayor and City Council through the City's Water & Wastewater Policy.

Please modify sub-section 'b' on III-33:

Extensions of existing community water systems shall be permitted and encouraged, provided the service request is consistent with the policies and plans of the service provider.

2. W-3 Priority (Programmed Service)

Please modify sub-section 'b' on III-34:

Extensions of existing community water systems shall be permitted and encouraged, provided the service request is consistent with the policies and plans of the service provider.

R. Water Service Priority Area Maps

Please add a new paragraph three on III-35:

The City of Hagerstown's Comprehensive Plan established a two tiered growth area around the city, Medium Range Growth Area and Long Range Growth Area. Areas within the MRGA are planned for service. Areas outside the MRGA are not planned for City water or wastewater service before 2035, unless an exemption is granted by the Mayor and City Council through the City's Water & Wastewater

Policy. The City's growth area map and service policy may be viewed on the City's web site: www.hagerstownmd.org.

Chapter 4, Existing and Planned Wastewater Systems

D. City of Hagerstown

Please modify the second to last sentence of the first paragraph on IV-12-13:

<u>City wastewater collection and treatment</u> service is also provided to industrial, commercial, residential and institutional customers <u>in certain areas</u> within <u>the Consolidated General Service Agreement area of</u> Washington County.

Please add a new paragraph two on IV-13:

The City of Hagerstown's Comprehensive Plan established a two tiered growth area around the city, Medium Range Growth Area and Long Range Growth Area. Areas within the MRGA are planned for service. Areas outside the MRGA are not planned for City water or wastewater service before 2035, unless an exemption is granted by the Mayor and City Council through the City's Water & Wastewater Policy.

S. Service Area Requirements

1. Urban and Town Growth Area Service Areas

Please add a new paragraph at the end of this section on IV-40:

The City of Hagerstown's Comprehensive Plan established a two tiered growth area around the city, Medium Range Growth Area and Long Range Growth Area. Areas within the MRGA are planned for service. Areas outside the MRGA are not planned for City water or wastewater service before 2035, unless an exemption is granted by the Mayor and City Council through the City's Water & Wastewater Policy.

3. Restricted Use Service Areas

Please insert at the end of the sentence in the first paragraph on IV-41:

The use of the facilities within these service areas is limited to the following conditions, <u>provided the service request</u> is <u>consistent with the policies and plans of the service provider:</u>

Please add a footnote at the end of the above modified sentence on IV-41:

Any existing or future City water lines extending outside the LRGA shall be considered restricted and no additional connections will be permitted, except for health and safety reasons as outlined in the City Water & Wastewater Policy. Requests for services in this circumstance shall be reviewed on a case-by-case basis by the City for compliance with the City Water & Wastewater Policy.

T. Priority Classification Requirements

1. S-1 Priority (Existing Service or Under Construction)

Please modify 'footnote 17' to sub-section 'a' on IV-42:

The adequacy or availability of community sewerage service to a particular parcel of land is a judgment which must be made in each case through consultation among the responsible agencies, including the service provider, and cannot be made on the basis of this Plan alone. The City of Hagerstown's Comprehensive Plan established a two tiered growth area around the city, Medium Range Growth Area and Long Range Growth Area. Areas within the MRGA are planned for service. Areas outside the MRGA are not planned for City water or wastewater service before 2035, unless an exemption is granted by the Mayor and City Council through the City's Water & Wastewater Policy.

Please modify sub-section 'b' on IV-42:

Extensions of existing community water systems shall be permitted and encouraged, provided the service request is consistent with the policies and plans of the service provider.

2. S-3 Priority (Programmed Service)

Please modify sub-section 'b' on IV-43:

Extensions of existing community water systems shall be permitted and encouraged, provided the service request is consistent with the policies and plans of the service provider.

U. Sewerage Service Priority Area Maps

Please add a new paragraph three on IV-44:

The City of Hagerstown's Comprehensive Plan established a two tiered growth area around the city, Medium Range Growth Area and Long Range Growth Area. Areas within the MRGA are planned for service. Areas outside the MRGA are not planned for City water or wastewater service before 2035, unless an exemption is granted by the Mayor and City Council through the City's Water & Wastewater Policy. The City's growth area map and service policy may be viewed on the City's web site: www.hagerstownmd.org.

PUBLIC COMMENTS RECEIVED FOR RZ-19-003 DOWNSVILLE PIKE LAND LLC

September 5, 2019

My name is Mary Bowling and my family lives on Lincolnshire road in Halfway. We heard about the request to rezone Halfway Blvd. and Downsville pike. Our family has lived in this area for years. My grandmother is a 101 and lives in oak ridge area. She is against it and so is our family especially when I have a disabled son who doesn't like a lot of noise. We don't want the character of our area destroyed. This rezoning is to line one's pockets (theirs) at the expense of others (ours). When Sheetz and Health at work built, they didn't take away from the character and were very respectful. Many years and a lot of noise, litter and pollution to make something we don't need or want. These are some of the issues we have discussed with our family.

- Less then a half a mile from Sharpsburg pike where it could be built with not as much inconvenience to our neighborhood and parks.
- Interstate 70 already has a lot of traffic problems we feel it will just cause more.
- There are other highway interchanges they could build at that wouldn't destroy the character of our area. Along with causing problems while being built.
- One of them is on interstate 70 at Williamsport with the Polit. Which already might have zoning in place.
- Taking away from one of the nicest parks with all the amenities. Walking trails, baseball & softball fields and a disabled playground etc. (not all parks have these things).
- Moving certain parts of the park like softball fields (maybe) cost us taxpayers money.
- Some of the houses along Downsville Pike were built by my family and are at least 60 years old.

My question is to you the commissioners. Is the friendship between this company and others like them who build gas stations more important than our neighborhoods and park? Why can't they build this gas station on Sharpsburg pike like others. Again, it is to line their pockets at our expense. It is more feasible because there are restaurants, lodging and Walmart (24 hour) for all travelers.

Why should you destroy the quietness of this area with tractor trailer and their Jake brakes along with more pollution and litter? Is there a petition to sign? If so, we would like all names below added. <u>Please consider saying no to rezoning.</u>

Sincerely,

Mary A. Bowling

Walter W. Bowling

Steven B. Krumbeck

Lance C. Krumbeck

Mary C. Clever

September 4, 2019

Mr. Stephen T. Goodrich Director Washington County Department of Planning & Zoning 120 W. Washington St., 2nd Floor Hagerstown, MD 21740

RE: Rezoning Case No. RZ-19-003

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WASHINGTON COUNTY PLANNING DEPARTMENT

Dear Mr. Goodrich:

We are in receipt of your letter of August 22, 2019 RE the above rezoning case. We are residents of Oak Ridge which empties onto Halfway Boulevard. We currently have a number of safety issues with Halfway Boulevard and the zoning of this residential property to highway interchange would only compound the problems.

Halfway Boulevard faults:

- 1. No room for driver error no shoulder from Oak Ridge Drive to Downsville Pike
- 2. No sidewalk for pedestrians attempting to reach Marty Snook Park and the Downsville Pike Sheetz Store.
- 3. A small sidewalk and wheelchair ramp was recently installed on the corners of Downsville Pike at Halfway Blvd., however, there is no way for a walker or someone in a wheelchair to reach that crosswalk - so a total waste of manpower and money.
- 4. Halfway Blvd. is a speedway from Virginia Avenue to Downsville Pike. Parking for Police cars was added several years ago but apparently there are no available Police to sit there.
- 5. A turn lane was installed a year or two ago to enter our Development (Oak Valley Drive). You take your life in your hands sitting in that lane when vehicles are coming off the I70 ramp at speeds of 50-60 mph. If a vehicle is turning onto Oak Valley Drive from the Downsville Pike, the vehicle immediately behind them swings out into the turn lane for vehicles entering Oak Valley Drive from the Virginia Avenue side. We have witnessed some very close calls – within mere inches of the turning vehicle.
- 6. Residents of our development have repeatedly asked for some relief from the traffic to no avail:
 - a. Install a NO TURN ON RED at the corner of Halfway Blvd. and Downsville Pike. Between the hours of 6-8 a.m. and 4-6 p.m. it is next to impossible to exit left out of our development onto Halfway Blvd.
 - b. The ineffective crosswalk sign at Oak Valley Drive is a joke. Trying to cross Halfway Blvd. to enter Marty Snook Park is like playing dodge ball. Apparently people need to study their driving handbook as NO ONE STOPS to let pedestrians cross. We even had a near miss with a Sheriff patrol SUV.

This is just our summation of the problems therein and I am sure my neighbors can come up with many more experiences. We feel that rezoning that corner property and placing a commercial entity there will just add to the safety issues noted above. Since the Sheetz store was built it feels like the traffic has doubled as has the number of vehicles exiting the I70 Downsville Pike exit.

You have given us Marty Snook Park with all its wonderful amenities - now let us be able to get to it! Instead of rezoning to a commercial property, make the owners a generous offer and annex that property into the Park. We could use some additional green space instead of blacktop and car emissions. Let's have the tax payers win one for a change!

Sincerely,

Marvin and Christine Shives 10815 Brentwood Terrace Hagerstown, MD 21740 Email: S1924@myactv.net

Zoning Board Hearing - September 9, 2019

Good evening. My name is Lorna Bock, and I live at 10811 Brentwood Terrace in Oak Ridge Estates. I have owned this property for 38 years and grew up living with my family on Red Oak Drive in the old section of Oak Ridge.

I'm here again, as I was in 2017, to speak in opposition to the proposed rezoning of parcels P-210 and P-408 from RS to HI. My concerns are centered around the traffic flow on Halfway Blvd and the safety of residents of Oak Ridge and Woodmore developments, the many visitors to Marty Snook County Park and anyone traveling on Halfway Blvd.

Over the years, the traffic on Halfway Boulevard has steadily increased. It used to be easy to enter and exit both development and the park. Pedestrians could safely use the crosswalk on Halfway Blvd to enjoy the Marty Snook Park. After the construction for 632 at the I-70 interchange at Downsville Pike, and subsequently the new Sheetz store, traffic flow and safety became major concerns.

Currently, the traffic flow of cars exiting west bound I-70 continuing on to Halfway Boulevard and merging with cars turning on red traveling south on Downsville Pike creates a steady stream of traffic making it almost impossible to enter Halfway Boulevard from Oak Ridge, Woodmore or the Park, because there is not a "no turn on red" light. During certain times of the day, it is also difficult to enter these areas if you have to cross oncoming traffic. Sitting in the left turn lane on Halfway Blvd trying to turn onto Oak Valley Drive and watching the cars come speeding toward you from 632 during evening rush hours is terrifying. You sit and pray that they see you sitting there. If traffic is like this now, I can only imagine what it will be like if the zoning is changed from RS to HI and another commercial property is constructed on this site.

As Mr. Smith has admitted earlier this evening, I must assume the property owners are revisiting this rezoning, not because they have more basis for the change, but in hopes that the membership changes of the County Commissioners since 2017 will be their ace in the hole. I am sure that the owners and County Commissioners could come to some resolution to purchase the property for the use of the park if the owners base the sale price on the actual purchase price and the fact that the house and property has not been properly maintained during their ownership. Mr. Smith gambled on his purchase without doing his homework. If he presents a **reasonable price** I'm sure the County would strongly consider it., This solution will benefit the park, the residents of this area and the entire community. Also, I believe the minutes of the County Commissioners' meetings will clarify Mr. Smith's interpretation of why the rezoning was voted down previously.

Lorna Bock 10811 Brentwood Terrace Hagerstown, MD 21740 301-331-5458 Lorna.bock@gmail.com

Goodrich, Stephen

From:

Goodrich, Stephen

Sent:

Tuesday, September 3, 2019 8:24 AM

To:

Eddie Morris

Subject:

RE: Property on Downsville Pike

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WASHINGTON COUNTY PLANNING DEPARTMENT

Dear Mr. Morris,

Thank you for your comments on the proposed rezoning of the property located at the intersection of Halfway Blvd and the Downsville Pike (RZ-19-003). Your comments will be considered as part of the record and the Planning Commission's recommendation to the Board of County Commissioners. It will also be forwarded to the Board of County Commissioners for consideration in the decision on the application.

Steve Goodrich

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----Original Message-----

From: Eddie Morris <ab92umdforlife@yahoo.com>

Sent: Monday, September 2, 2019 8:01 PM

To: &County Commissioners <contactcommissioners@washco-md.net>

Subject: Property on Downsville Pike

[EXTERNAL SENDER]

This email is in response to the letter I received via US Mail that concerns an attempt to turn property currently classified as residential to commercial property. I live at 17801 Stone Valley Circle as my house backs up to Halfway Blvd. My name is Edwin L Morris. My phone is (301) 988-0215 for any one needing to contact me concerning this letter.

I am vehemently OPPOSED to this property being classified as commercial. There is no viable reason for this. For one, this property was purchased by a developer. When he purchased the property, he knew it was classified as residential. Just because a developer purchases a residential property doesn't mean he can use the power of political donations to

sway a board of elected commissioners to mysteriously classify the property now as commercial. This is an awful form of crony-capitalism. He bought it as residential property and should develop it as residential property. He feels he can gain a greater profit margin by developing this as a residential as compared to residential. The board of commissioners should not compromise the members of the community for a developer looking to make a greater profit margin. People have invested their wages, their families and their "dream homes" in this residential area. We have a much deeper investment in this area than does a non-residential developer.

Two, I know that some commissioners will use the flimsy excuse that "any thing is better than what the property looks like now". That actually is not factual. Once it is classified as commercial, then practically any type of business can go there including industry. The wrong type of business hurts the value of property in nearby areas, and I won't stand for that. This side of Downsville Pike has no commercial property on it from Halfway Blvd all the way down until you get to the Little General Store in Downsville. This is a 5-mile stretch on that side of Downsville with no commercial property. I would certainly like to hear a valid reason as to why this would need to change all of a sudden. Those of us that live in this community of living will have to live with whatever type of establishment goes in there. One would hope our elected commissioners would put themselves in our shoes. Sheetz is on the other side of the Pike. I don't want to hear that we have commercial property nearby. Sheetz established another store with low wages being shelled out even though there is another Sheetz less than 2 miles away. It has brought nothing to the community other than low wages and another stop light to slow traffic in an area where traffic should move more smoothly.

We have vacant properties in nearby areas that could be used for eating establishments, if that is truly what is going in there. It took a long time to fill the old sub shop on the corner of Downsville Pike and Oak Ridge Drive. Off of Wesel Blvd., the restaurant that sat next to Ollie's sits vacant as does the sale of the Crazy Horse Restaurant and Saloon. There are building spaces available throughout the county that sit vacant. I would like to see us fill those before classifying yet another residential property as commercial.

I repeat that this letter is in OPPOSITION to the property on Downsville Pike being converted from a residential property to one used for commercial use. I bought my home in an area a good distance from commercial properties. I am not interested in any more low wage businesses being brought closer to me and lowering the value of residential properties in the area. I have four voting members in my household that all agree with me on this matter. I am hoping a little bit of intelligence and common sense will prevail over any political contribution.

Edwin L Morris

Goodrich, Stephen

From:

Emily Becker <emilymarie1998@hotmail.com>

Sent:

Tuesday, September 10, 2019 10:16 PM

To: Subject: Goodrich, Stephen No to Rezoning

[EXTERNAL SENDER]

Dear Mr. Goodrich,

I am a lifelong resident of Washington County, specifically Woodmore. I am unable to appear in person because I am currently enrolled in St. Mary's College of Maryland, studying Anthropology and Archaeology. During my studies, I have seen how development has destroyed communities, and in this case, the current owners already demolished the Anita Rice home that could have qualified for the Historic Registry.

Rezoning will hurt the neighborhood by adding more traffic to an already congested portion of Halfway Boulevard. There is not room on the corner for commercial development and the traffic that will come with it.

My dad, who spoke at the meeting this week, shared Mr. Allen's report with me. The analysis shows that the applicants have not met their obligation in their application: "Staff analysis has concluded that convincing proof has not been offered by the applicant demonstrating either a mistake in the current zoning, or a substantial change in the character of the neighborhood since the 2012 UGA Rezoning in their petition to rezone the property from RS to HI."

Allow the properties to remain RS, as they have been for many years. That's what is best for the neighborhood.

Thank you,

Emily Becker 10811 Wyncote Drive

Goodrich, Stephen

From:

Melissa Brown < melissajbrown85@yahoo.com>

Sent:

Tuesday, September 10, 2019 2:37 PM

To:

Goodrich, Stephen

Subject:

Rezoning case RZ-19-003

[EXTERNAL SENDER]

Dear Mr. Goodrich and the Zoning and Planning Commission,

It has come to my attention that the planning commission has not received many comments regarding the rezoning case RZ-19-003. I am voicing my opposition, and I want my opposition noted in the official record.

The staff report clearly finds that the applicant has not met his obligation to prove the land should be rezoned. "Staff analysis has concluded that convincing proof has not been offered by the applicant demonstrating either a mistake in the current zoning, or a substantial change in the character of the neighborhood since the 2012 UGA Rezoning in their petition to rezone the property from RS to HI."

The properties are zoned RS because they are adjacent to the park and surrounded by homes and a park. The zoning is appropriate. Rezoning to HI will be detrimental to the neighboring homes and to Marty Snook Park.

We have been in our home for one year, and we love our neighborhood. We would be devastated if the zoning changes, with added traffic and all of the other problems that come with it. There is already many issues with traffic at the intersection of our road, Oak Valley Drive and Halfway Blvd, so I can't imagine what it's going to be like if the zoning changes. Please don't let this happen to our neighborhood!

Do not rezone the properties HI.

Thank you, Eric and Melissa Brown 10808 Oak Valley Drive Hagerstown, MD 21740 From: Aline Novak <alinenovak@outlook.com>
Sent: Wednesday, September 11, 2019 6:03 PM
To: Goodrich, Stephen <SGoodric@washco-md.net>

Subject: Zoning

[EXTERNAL SENDER]

Dear Mr. Goodrich,

My husband, Bill Davies, attended the planning commission meeting Monday night. While we did not speak last night or submit written comments before the meeting. We are as opposed this year as were were when it was last on the agenda. We submitted comments at that time.

The land is zoned RS because it is surrounded by homes and a park. The zoning is appropriate, and it should not be changed just because a developer wants to profit by letting land he owns waste away. Rezoning to HI will be detrimental to the neighboring homes and to Marty Snook Park.

It is my understanding that the applicant has the burden of proof, and Mr. Allen, from the planning department, says that the threshold has not been met. To quote Mr. Allen's report, "Staff analysis has concluded that convincing proof has not been offered by the applicant demonstrating either a mistake in the current zoning, or a substantial change in the character of the neighborhood since the 2012 UGA Rezoning in their petition to rezone the property from RS to HI."

Please do not rezone the properties to HI.

Thank you,

Aline Novak and William Davies 17724 Stone Valley Drive Hagerstown, MD 21740

Eckard, Debra S.

From:

Goodrich, Stephen

Sent:

Thursday, September 12, 2019 7:54 AM

To: Subject: Eckard, Debra S. FW: RZ-19-003

Please acknowledge receipt, print for file and inform Travis

From: juliebecker@myactv.net < juliebecker@myactv.net>

Sent: Wednesday, September 11, 2019 8:53 PM
To: Goodrich, Stephen <SGoodric@washco-md.net>

Subject: RZ-19-003

[EXTERNAL SENDER]

Dear Mr. Goodrich,

It has come to my attention that the planning commission noted that only four people commented on the rezoning application. I was opposed in 2017 and I am opposed now. Please accept these written comments and enter them into the record.

The RS zoning is appropriate. Where the Sheetz is located is zoned HI. They followed the rules. Mr. Smith is hoping that you will change the zoning to HI so that he can earn a profit. No developer should profit at the expense his neighbors. In this case, Woodmore, Friendship Park, and Oak Ridge will be forever impacted by this developers desire to earn money. It will hurt the neighborhood that has remained steady and stable for decades.

The applicant has the burden of proof. To quote County Planner Travis Allen's report, "Staff analysis has concluded that convincing proof has not been offered by the applicant demonstrating either a mistake in the current zoning, or a substantial change in the character of the neighborhood since the 2012 UGA Rezoning in their petition to rezone the property from RS to HI."

Allow the properties to remain RS, as the planners did in 2012.

Thank you,

Julie Becker 10811 Wyncote Drive Hagerstown, MD. 21740

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Re: Rezoning Care RZ-19-003

Dear Mr. Goodrich

I would like to go on record supporting my neighbors in opposing the rezoning of 10662 and 16656 Dowwine Pike from Residential Soberban to Highway I wto Onhuge

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Community.

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September 18, 2019

Steven & Mary McAbee 10835 Brentwood Terrace Hagerstown, MD 21740

RE: Rezoning Case RZ-19-003

Dear Mr. & Mrs. McAbee:

This letter acknowledges receipt of your recent correspondence regarding the proposed map amendment for RZ-19-003 – Downsville Pike Land LLC.

Your correspondence will be made a part of the record for this case and will be entered into the file and considered by the Washington County Planning Commission and the Board of County Commissioners in their deliberations concerning the proposed amendment.

Sincerely

Stephen T. Goodrich, Director

Washington County Department of Planning

& Zoning

STG/dse

Planning Commission Hearing September 9, 2019

Good evening. My name is Joe Powell. First, I want to thank the Commission for giving me this opportunity to share my thoughts regarding this rezoning proposal. I'm a resident of Washington County and live on Brentwood Terrace in the Oak Ridge development. I, like many of my neighbors in Oak Ridge and Woodmoor, face the daily challenge of safely merging into the traffic flow on Halfway Boulevard. I come before you tonight to speak in opposition to the rezoning of the properties located at 10662 and 10656 Downsville Pike.

On December 12, 2017, I spoke before the Board of County Commissioners regarding my opposition to the proposed rezoning of these same two parcels of land. At that meeting, I asked the Commissioners to consider several facts before they voted on the proposal. Those were:

- 1- The safety of both drivers and pedestrians due to the traffic flow patterns along the Downsville Pike and Halfway Boulevard and their intersection.
- 2- I believe Downsville Pike is a dividing line that separates Highway Interchange (HI) land from Residential Suburban (RS) properties. (MAP 1)
- 3- Several statements were made on the application about the similarities between the Sheetz store which is "across Downsville Pike from the Site" and the proposed development of parcels 210 and 408. When in fact, the entrance to Sheetz is located on a dead-end road with virtually all traffic being created by visitors to the store. As opposed to nearly 100% of the traffic going by the proposed rezoning site being generated by the local residents, commuters, and visitors to the Marty Snook Memorial Park.

After thoughtfully considering all the facts and circumstances regarding this rezoning proposal, the County Commissioners voted to NOT APPROVE the rezoning in 2017.

Today, two years later, the County is being asked again to rezone these two parcels. Very little has changed in this neighborhood over the past two years, but for some reason the

property owners have determined they have an opportunity to produce a different outcome.

As you deliberate over this proposal, please consider the facts I stated earlier and another hazard that rezoning would produce.

In September 2017, a Concept Plan was developed for the use of these two parcels. (MAP 2) Building and parking lot locations were shown along with entrance and exits on Halfway Blvd and Rt. 632 – Downsville Pike. A pedestrian walkway was also included for the convenience of the visitors to Marty Snook Park. Everything looks good, until you pull back and consider traffic flow to enter and exit the proposed coffee/ice cream shop.

A wider view of the area, provides an opportunity to examine traffic coming from the four main directions to the planned entrance on Halfway Blvd. Let's look at each. (MAP 3)

- 1- Traffic traveling South from Hagerstown on Downsville Pike (Red line) would turn right onto Halfway Blvd, make a **U-TURN** at the intersection of Oak Valley Drive and Halfway Blvd, and proceed east to the entrance.
- 2- Traffic traveling North from the Downsville area or the exit ramp of I-70 East onto Rt. 632 (Green line) would turn left at the traffic light onto Halfway Blvd, make a **U-TURN** at the intersection of Oak Valley Drive and Halfway Blvd, and proceed east to the entrance.
- 3- Traffic traveling West on I-70 would, at the end of the exit ramp (Blue line), proceed West onto Halfway Blvd, make a **U-TURN** at the intersection of Oak Valley Drive and Halfway Blvd, and proceed east to the entrance.
- 4- Traffic traveling East on Halfway Blvd (Brown line) would proceed east to the entrance.

Three of the four traffic directions would require a **U-TURN** to be made at the entrance of Marty Snook Park in order to visit this shop. U-Turns are already a common occurrence today. I have personally seen cars, trucks, and even pickup trucks with trailers making U-turns at this location. Just yesterday, I witnessed the first of three cars in the left turn lane at the entrance of the Park make a U-TURN and was almost hit by the second car as it entered the Park.

Exiting the property is less challenging except for two situations:

- 1- The exit onto Downsville Pike through the existing Park and Ride that is owned and maintained by the County might conflict with the purpose of the Park and Ride; and
- 2- Traffic exiting onto Halfway Blvd and wanting to turn left at the traffic light onto Rt 632 must merge left within approximately 100 feet into the of first of two left turn lanes.

I'm sure almost everyone who travels through this area of Washington County would certainly agree that using this land for <u>any</u> commercial business would create additional hazard and safety concerns for the local residents and commuters. Please thoughtfully consider my concerns along with those of many of my neighbors, and the recommendation made in the Comprehensive Planner's Report and Analysis.

My father, Reno Powell, served on this Board in the 80's and 90's. I know he served in a fair and unbiased manner, and based his decisions on facts and analysis, while always keeping in mind the welfare of the County residents. I have faith that this Board will do the same and vote NO to the rezoning proposal.

Thank You.







10811 Wyncote Drive Hagerstown, Maryland 21740

August 27, 2019

RE: RZ-19-003 Downsville Pike

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WASHINGTON COUNTY PLANNING DEPARTMENT

Dear Mr. Goodrich, the members of the planning commission, and the elected Board of County Commissioners,

As I did in 2017, I am writing in opposition of the proposed rezoning of 10662 and 10656 Downsville Pike from RS – Residential Suburban to HI – Highway Interchange. My thoughts have not changed! I reviewed the applicant's original paperwork and the initial ruling on the applicant's appeal. Though similar, this letter is not identical to the letter I submitted previously. I request that you read my letter in full.

The applicant cites the poor condition of the homes on the property. Prior to the recent decay of one of the properties, it was inhabited. In 2018, one home was demolished, and one garage was removed. The county inspectors have allowed the buildings and properties decline, so a rezoning to permit a restaurant is called for? If the properties had been maintained, they'd be occupied by owners or tenants.

The applicant's theory that the changing neighborhood calls for a change to HI is not wholly supported by his documents. There are hundreds of homes within yards of the property in question. Additionally, there is a county park that serves thousands of children and adults each year through its pool, fields, and playgrounds. The park houses hundreds of school-aged children each summer as part of the county's summer programs, as it has for decades. Marty Snook Park and these homes have not changed in decades, countering the applicant's argument that the neighborhood is changing.

Regarding traffic at the intersection: With the addition of a new Sheetz, it is likely that the intersection will see increased traffic counts, but those increases will not be due solely to Washington County residents. Highway travelers with no concern for the safety and living conditions of local residents will hop off the interstate, purchase fuel and convenience items, and hop back on the interstate. The increased tax revenues will be minimal, but in increased traffic, litter, noise, and light pollution will not be minimal. Adding another convenience-style property to the corner opposite of the planned Sheetz will not benefit the community or the neighborhood.

The oddly engineered intersection of Halfway Boulevard and MD 632 (Downsville Pike) should not be further negatively impacted by a commercial (HI) zoning. Both Downsville Pike and Halfway Boulevard lack sidewalks and crosswalks for pedestrians to safely walk along and cross the roads. The planned Sheetz already calls for a new traffic light and re-engineering. Recent "improvements" to the sidewalks and crosswalks are mindboggling. There are eight to ten feet of sidewalk and cut curb at the intersections that then attach to non-existent sidewalks. Why are there sidewalks to nowhere? How will residents of the neighborhoods or park patrons safely approach the new business at the intersection? The increased pedestrian traffic oh Halfway Boulevard is already noteworthy. The new businesses will lead to exponentially more foot traffic, especially since the Virginia Avenue Sheetz closed. Will Washington County and its taxpaying citizens be on the hook for adding sidewalks along Halfway Boulevard due to the addition of this business? That is not acceptable.

I regularly see pedestrians walking on the edge of Halfway Boulevard and on the shoulder of Downsville Pike as they travel to and from the Sheetz. New businesses on an already awkward corner will exacerbate the unsafe conditions for pedestrians and drivers alike.

Just today, as I approached the intersection, a child and her mother were attempting to exit Marty Snook Park to cross Halfway Boulevard. Traffic was preventing them from crossing safely to enter the Oak Ridge side of the neighborhood. Engineers cannot create a workable traffic lighting system for that location because it is too close to Downsville Pike and Stone Valley Drive.

How will drivers enter and exit the new business? Vehicles struggle to enter and exit the park safely, and the addition of a restaurant or convenience store will not improve the flow of traffic. Drivers, especially those unfamiliar with the intersection routinely drive through the red turn arrow from Halfway Boulevard to northbound Downsville Pike. Drivers exiting westbound Interstate 70 routinely run the red light at Halfway Boulevard to avoid waiting two-three minutes for a green light. Accidents and near-misses at the current intersection and at the entrance of Marty Snook Park already should be evidence enough that adding a gas station or other business on the site is inappropriate.

The construction of a restaurant, gas station, or other convenience style business negatively impacts the environment. Just feet from the applicant's property is a small stream/run that is part of the Potomac and Chesapeake watershed. The increased litter and pollution that will negatively impact the neighborhood and park will also negatively impact the watershed. It is the responsibility of every citizen, elected official, and appointee to preserve and protect the environment. Changing the property's zoning to HI opens the door for unnecessary pollutants entering the watershed. Will the property owner and the county ensure the safety of the environment?

Would Marty Snook, whose name will forever be associated with Halfway Park approve of such commercial development that endangers drivers, pedestrians, and the environment?

The previous Board of County Commissioners voted 3-2 against the rezoning, but Mr. Fitzgerald pulled his application prior to the vote being finalized in hopes that a pro-development Board would approve it. Please listen to the voters and the previous Board and vote against this rezoning request.

Respectfully submitted

Neil Becker 10811 Wyncote Drive

Hagerstown, MD 21740

Goodrich, Stephen

From:

neil becker <neilbecker@hotmail.com>

Sent:

Tuesday, September 10, 2019 1:30 PM

To:

Goodrich, Stephen; Wagner, Randall

Subject:

Planning and Zoning Comments

Attachments:

Downsville rezoning meeting september 2019.docx; Cline Contribution.jpg

[EXTERNAL SENDER]

Mr. Goodrich and Commissioner Wagner,

Good afternoon. Please share this message and attachments with the planning commission members.

First, I am passionate about this topic because it has been on and off the radar for over two years. My comments may have been emotional, but they are based in the facts presented by Travis Allen, County Planner. Please don't mistake my passion for anger. I am not angry at county staff or at the planning commission. I am frustrated that the zoning appeal continues to appear due to the legal wrangling of Mr. Smith and Mr. Fitzgerald. They have let the properties fall into utter disrepair to add to their argument that no one wants to live there. If my property looked like theirs, I would have received countless citations for code violations and the county would have cleared the property at my expense. The applicants don't care about the homes or the neighborhood; they are investors hoping to reap a huge pay day.

Second, attached are my comments from last night and links to H-M articles that cover the previous commissioners' decision(s). I brought the contribution to Mr. Cline's attention, but he never responded to my inquiry personally. It is important to enter these articles and points into the record since Mr. Smith specifically stated that the application was withdrawn in hopes that a new set of commissioners would look favorably on his application. Adding to Marty Snook Park was brought up by Mr. Smith, but that is never mentioned in Mr. Allen's report. I did not mention it last night. And the commissioners did not vote down the rezoning with arguments for more park land. It was voted down because the applicant did not prove his case, which can be verified by pulling the public record.

H-M Ethics Article: https://www.heraldmailmedia.com/news/local/halfway-rezoning-case-postponed-again-so-cline-can-seek-ethics/article_21148db0-2f5d-5765-b722-cad7736ac871.html

H-M article clarifying the Park topic: https://www.heraldmailmedia.com/instant/lack-of-majority-delays-downsville-pike-rezoning-case/article_d2c4d51a-48e6-11e8-8009-6383afad7431.html

H-M Article voting down the rezoning: https://www.heraldmailmedia.com/instant/majority-of-commissioners-oppose-rezoning-request-near-snook-park/article_4b001ae0-58c7-11e8-913f-2bc23e229499.html

Downsville Pike is the boundary between HI and RS. It's that simple. When Sheetz was proposed, I did not write or speak in opposition. I did write to express my concerns regarding pedestrian and driver safety. Sheetz proceeded appropriately within the zoning and the laws, and the new light and entrance/exit on Venture Drive is working safely. While traffic does stack up periodically, especially with school bus stops at the apartment entrance, the traffic signals keep traffic moving appropriately. Approving the HI application for the Downsville properties will directly impact traffic flow on both Downsville Pike and Halfway Boulevard without the luxury of additional traffic signals and acceleration and deceleration lanes.

Again, I respectfully request that the details of the staff report and analysis guide your decision. Additionally, I request that you listen to the residents of the affected neighborhoods. The land is zoned RS because that fits the neighborhood. The developers invested in the properties in hopes that they could flip them for a profit. No ice cream parlor is going to land on that site. Whoever is working with Mr. Smith and Mr. Fitzgerald has hopes of a much larger return via a 24-hour convenience store, a fast food restaurant, liquor store, or other high traffic businesses that will not improve the neighborhood or Marty Snook Park. If you approve the rezoning, they will seek several variances for setbacks, access, egress, and environmental impacts. Sidewalks will not go all the way to the Woodmore entrances at Stone Valley Drive and Meadowood Drive. The current entrance to Marty Snook Park will be even more dangerous, and the unsafe u-turns on Halfway Blvd and Downville Pike will increase. Following the many variances, in future years, improving increasingly unsafe location will fall upon the county and the state, which really means every taxpayer, not developers.

Thank you for hearing me out, again. Please review the attached documents and included links. Neil

Neil Becker 10811 Wyncote Drive, Hagerstown, MD 21740

*To WC Planning and Zoning Staff and Planning Commission:

Included below are my thoughts shared at last night's meeting. Not 100% word-for-word because I amended for time and to address some of Mr. Smith's comments regarding his previous application.

I can see the intersection of Halfway Blvd and Downsville Pike due to my home's elevation.

I have made my thoughts known to the planning commission this year and to the county commissioners in 2017/2018 when the previous application was submitted.

I have concerns about traffic, driver safety, pedestrian safety, light pollution, noise pollution, and environmental pollution.

Mr. Smith and Mr. Fitzgerald purchased the properties in question with full knowledge of their RS zoning. At least one of the properties was occupied until just a few years ago, and the developers made the owners (or their estate) purchase offers they couldn't refuse. The properties have fallen into even greater disrepair since the applicants obtained ownership, and a garage and one home have been demolished. Since last fall, there has been no maintenance to the properties. Grass has not been cut. Trees and shrubs are untrimmed. It appears that someone has used the middle of the properties as a trash dump since the demolition last fall.

The developers insist that traffic has increased, a mistake was made by not zoning the properties HI in 2012, and that the neighborhood has changed.

Tonight I will use a variety of excerpts from the County Staff Report and Analysis as I address this board:

Regarding traffic:

"trends cannot be discerned from the first-time collections from 2016"

"a new access onto Halfway Blvd would be required."

"A traffic study may be required"

"New access to Halfway Blvd would require a minimum of 500' spacing" which is challenging due to the location of the Marty Snook Park entrance and the entrance to the Oak Ridge development

"There are challenges with the existing transportation patterns. The location presents a challenge in terms of access."

"there is very limited access to Halfway Blvd."

"Access from the park and ride lot to a commercial use at the corner may also lead to traffic and parking conflicts between the two uses at certain times of the day or week."

Regarding a "Mistake":

If a "mistake" has been made, "it does not require the local governing body to change the zoning"

"Staff analysis has revealed that the neglect of the existing structures has played an equal if not <u>larger</u> role than road and traffic-related impacts in the continued viability of residential use at the site since 2012."

"The applicant <u>has not me</u>t the burdens in proving that that a substantial change has occurred in the neighborhood since the 2012 rezoning."

Regarding change in the neighborhood:

"the parcels have a long history of residential use"

"maintenance of the properties has not been kept up by the current owners"

"staff would contend that this is a clear case of <u>demolition by neglect</u>. By not keeping up on the maintenance, it removed almost *any* likelihood that the houses would be sold or re-occupied"

"the neglect of the properties has had a **greater** impact on their current marketability for continued residential use."

"Staff would disagree with the applicant's assertion that roadway improvements have significantly impacted the continued residential viability of the site."

The neighborhood has not changed since 2012 rezoning. "If the property owner felt aggrieved by the Board's decision in 2012 to retain the previous RS zoning designation, they had the option to appeal at that time."

Stable neighborhood: "The last approved piecemeal rezoning in the immediate vicinity of the site occurred in 2000, lending further credence to the stable character of the neighborhood."

The Staff's Conclusion:

"The staff analysis has concluded that convincing proof has not been offered by the applicant demonstrating either a mistake in the current zoning or a substantial change in the character of the neighborhood in the 2012 rezoning."

"Please do be reminded that ALL permitted uses within the BL, BG, PB, and ORT zoning districts could potentially be allowed at the site if the zoning on the site is changed from RS to HI."

That means the owners would not be held to building an "ice cream parlor" as they presented in 2017.

Listen to County staff and neighborhood residents. DO NOT REZONE!

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Jeff Cline.

08/07/2017

PUBLIC COMMENTS RECEIVED FOR RZ-19-004 JPK EXCAVATING

RZ-19-004

----Original Message-----

From: George Anikis <<u>geoanne@myactv.net</u>> Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 9:09 AM

To: Goodrich, Stephen < SGoodric@washco-md.net >

Subject: Keplinger's Excavation request

[EXTERNAL SENDER]

Good morning Steve:

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SEP 16 2019

WASHINGTON COUNTY PLANNING DEPARTMENT

Hope all is well with you. A voice from the past. I wanted to share my concern regarding the Kiplinger request on Breathedsville Road. To begin with, the road is narrow with no shoulders. There are only two ways for traffic on Breathedsville Road to exit onto the Sharpsburg Pike; Manor Church Rd to the south and Lappans Rd to the north. The exit onto the Sharpsburg Pike from Manor Church Rd for trucks pulling a flatbed and making a right turn to go north requires the truck to cross the southbound lane to effect the turning radius. Steve, check with the State Police barracks concerning the number of accidents at the intersection of Manor Church Road (Spielman Road on the west side) and the Sharpsburg Pike. There have been four or five in the last year. The line of sight looking south is poor, as there is a dip in the intersection. The exit to the Sharpsburg Pike from Lappans has a traffic signal, making it somewhat safer for flatbeds to execute a turn. In the interest of safety, please review the road and traffic patterns. perhaps a requirement that all equipment using a flatbed be required to use Lappans and limit the use of manor Church Rd.

Regards,

George Anikis

Site Plan for Mountain View Animal Emergency

Presented for approval is a site plan for Mountain View Animal Emergency.

The site is located along the west side of Crayton Boulevard, north of Maugans Avenue. Zoning is Highway Interchange.

The owners are proposing to construct a 16,330 square foot animal hospital on their 3.35acre parcel. Three future additions are also proposed totaling 7,600 square feet. Building height will be 30 feet. A small fenced yard will be in the rear of the building. A loading area will be on the east side.

There will be one main access into the site from Crayton Boulevard.

The hospital will be open 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

A total of 98 parking spaces will be provided on-site; 80 spaces are required.

Public water and sewer are to service the hospital.

Deliveries will be by box truck daily.

Solid Waste/recycling will be collected inside.

Site lighting will be building mounted and pole mounted in parking lot.

Signage will be building mounted.

Landscaping will be installed around the building and in the parking islands. Included will be maple trees, various shrubs, and day lilies.

Forestation requirements are to be met by paying the fee in lieu of \$6,664.68 for .51 acres required.

All approvals from the needed agencies have been received.



WASHINGTON COUNTY DIVISION OF PLAN REVIEW & PERMITTING

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SITE PLAN STAFF REPORT

	BASE INFORMATION
SITE NAME:	Mountain View Animal Emergency
NUMBER:	SP-19-021
OWNER:	MOUNTAIN VIEW AE PROPERTIES LLO
LOCATION:	West side of Crayton Boulevard
DESCRIPTION:	Proposed animal hospital
zoning:	Highway Interchange Airport Overlay
COMP PLAN LU:	Industrial/Flex
PARCEL:	27014461
PLANNING SECTOR:	1
ELECTION DISTRICT:	27
TYPE:	Commercial
GROSS ACRES:	3.35
DWELLING UNITS:	0
TOTAL LOTS:	1
DENSITY:	0 Units Per Acre
PLANNER:	Lisa A Kelly
ENGINEER	FREDERICK SEIBERT & ASSOCIATES
RECEIVED:	June 7, 2019

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HYDROGRAPHY, SENSITIVE & ENVIRONMENTAL INFORMATION

FLOOD ZONE...... No WETLANDS...... No

WATERSHED.....: Antietam Creek

ENDANGERED SPECIES.....: None STEEP SLOPES...... No STREAM BUFFER...... No

HISTORIC INVENTORY...... No Resources Present

EASEMENTS PRESENT...... None

Staff Comments:

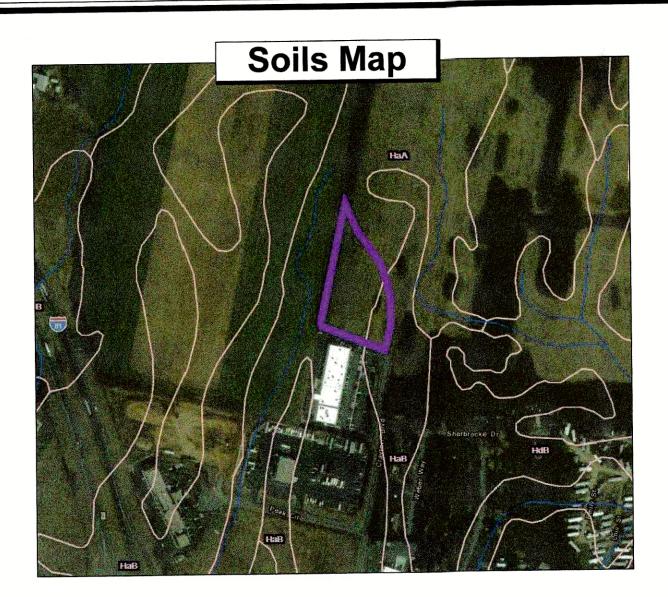
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	SITE DESIGN		
Impervious Area Plan	Impervious Maximum All	owed	Open Space Area Planned
52			
Open Space Minimum Required	Residential Amenity Pl	ans	Solid Waste Disposal Plans
	N/a		Dumpster
Materials Stored on Site	Buffer Design Meets Requir	rements	Landscaping Meets Requirements
No	Yes		Yes
Lighting Plan Meets Requirements	Pedestrian Access is Ade	quate E	Bus Stop is Within Walking Distance
Yes			
Loading Area Meets Requirements	<u> </u>		
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ACCESS SPACING VARIANCE NEEDED:	No		
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Non - ESD Practices (Chapter 3 - Structural Practices)

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BIO-RETENTION

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EAST

WEST

(ACRES) (To

Structure)

1.22 AC

STORAGE @

DHW (ac-ft)

PRINCIPLE

SPILLWAY Size

(inches)

CPv (cfs)

(Discharge)

4.90 CFS

Qp10 (cfs) Qf100 (cfs)

0.19 CFS 7.80 CFS

PRINCIPLE

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TYPE

DIRT SPILLWAY

DIRT SPILLWAY

SITE PLAN for MOUNTAIN VIEW ANIMAL EMERGENCY

13810 Crayton BLVD, Hagerstown MD, 21742 WASHINGTON COUNTY, MARYLAND

OWNER/DEVELOPER:

Mountain View AE Properties, LLC 18501 Maugans Ave. #105 Hagerstown, MD 21742

> Attn: Sean Williams Phone: (301)-733-7339 EMail: sean@mvaevet.com

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128 SOUTH POTOMAC STREET, HAGERSTOWN, MARYLAND 21740 20 WEST BALTIMORE STREET, GREENCASTLE, PENNSYLVANIA 17225 505 SOUTH HANOVER STREET, CARLISLE, PENNSYLVANIA 17013 5201 SPRING ROAD, SUITE 3, SHERMANSDALE, PENNSYLVANIA 17090 (717) 597-1007 FAX (301) 739-4956 Vicinity Map SCALE: 1" = 2,000'

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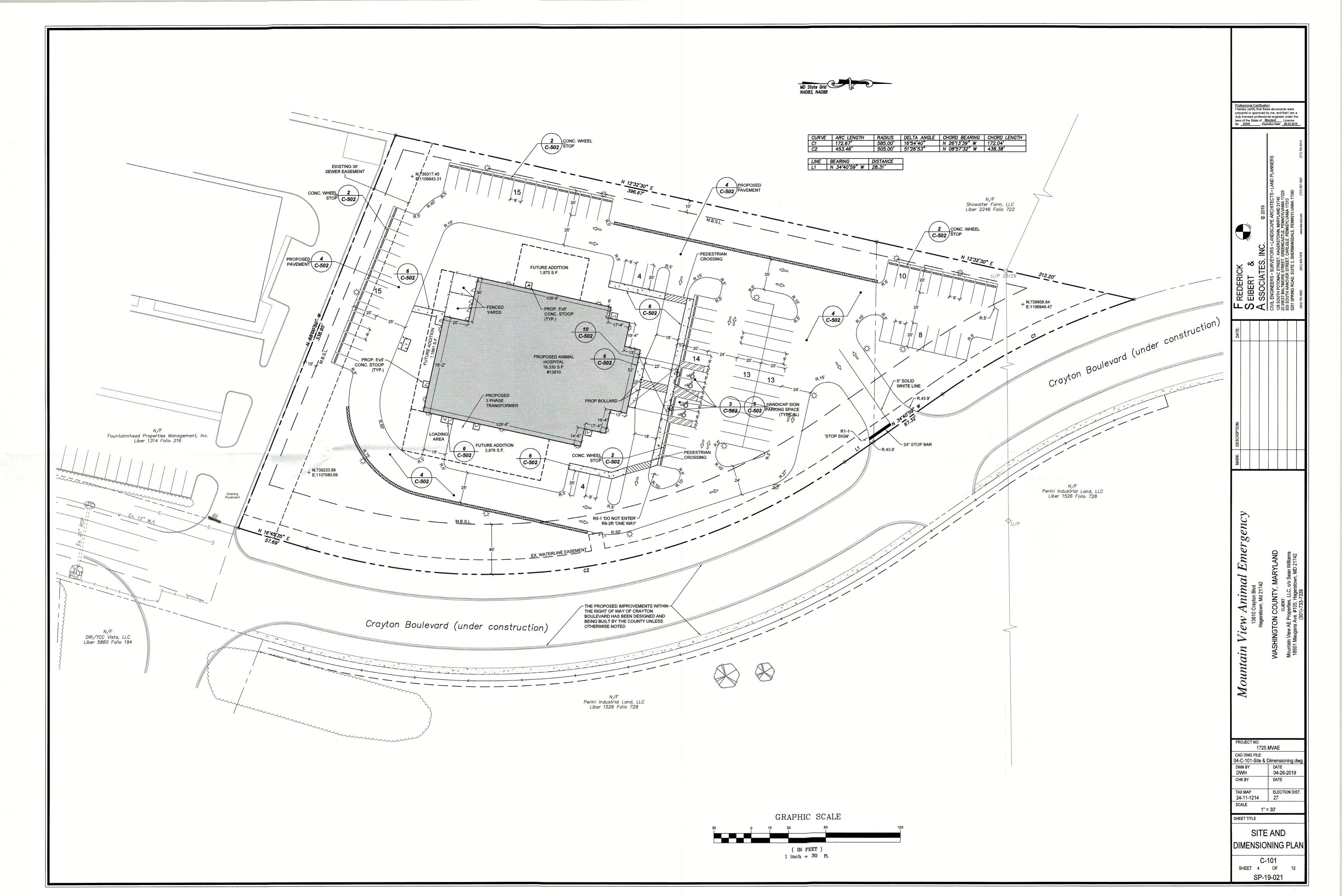
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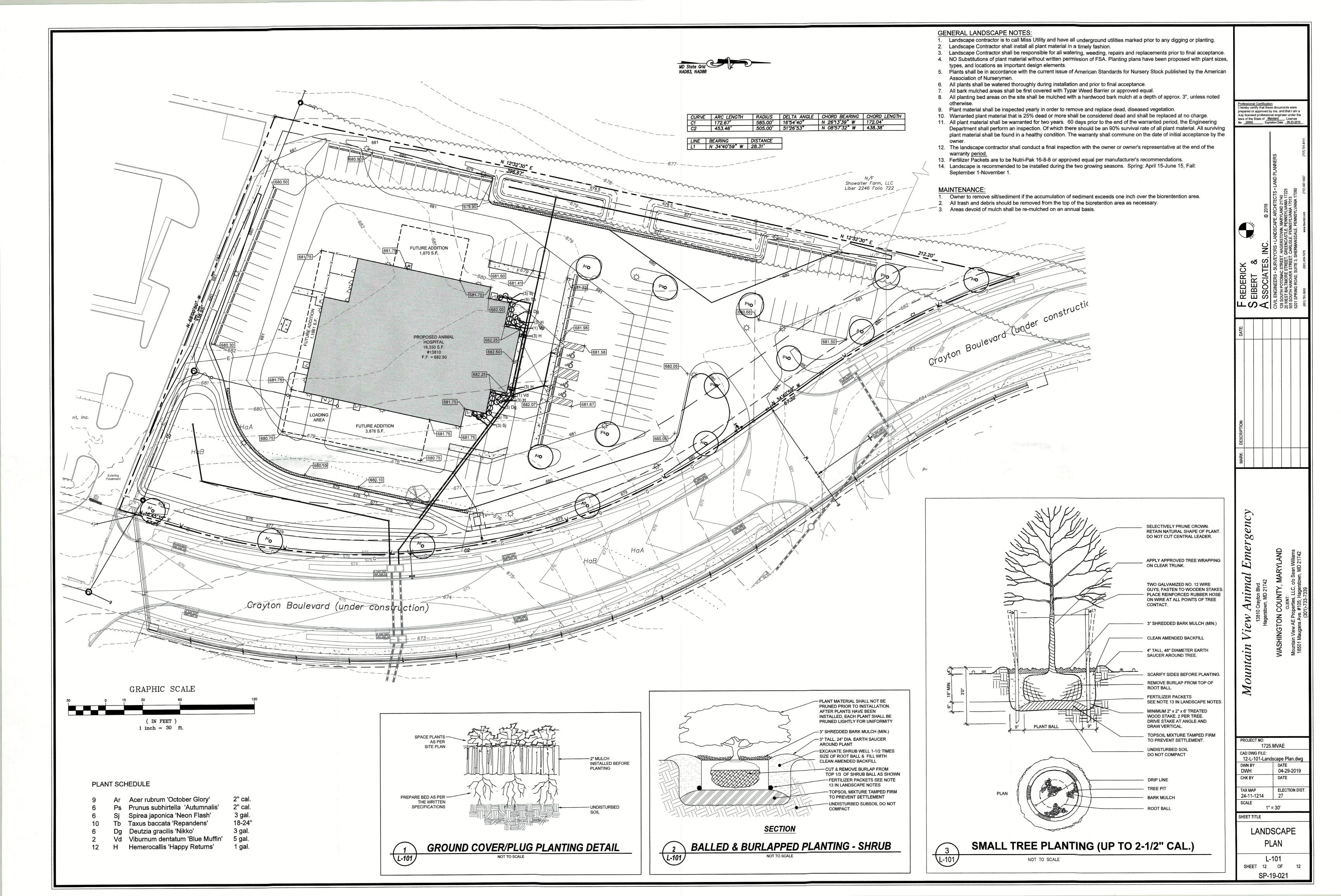
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NOTE: ALL FILL MATERIAL BROUGHT FROM OFFSITE MUST COME FROM A SITE WITH AN APPROVED SEDIMENT EROSION CONTROL PLAN.





Site Plan for Thomas Bennett Hunter Inc.

Presented for approval is a site plan for Thomas Bennett Hunter.

The subject site is located along the southside of Hopewell Road. Zoning is Industrial General.

The developers are proposing to construct a ready mix cement plant on their 19.37acre parcel, situated between Purina Mills and the Freightliner property.

An appeal (AP2018-017) for a special exception was approved by the Zoning Board of Appeals in August 2018 to allow for the establishment of the cement plant. Plans include the construction of a 1,200 square foot office and 6,000 square foot shop, a concrete plant, a backup portable plant, and outdoor stockpiles.

Hours of operation will be 6 am to 6pm Mon thru Friday and 6am to 12 noon Saturdays.

Employees per day will be 12 to 18 persons.

Delivery/freight will be 4 tractor trailers per date.

Parking required is 22 spaces and 23 are provided.

Public water and sewer will service the site.

Lights will be pole mounted throughout parking area.

Landscaping will include arborvitae, redcedar, and laurel shrubs.

Forest Conservation requirements have been met with a previously approved plat in 2016 that showed existing 3.85 acres of forest in a permanent easement.

All needed agencies have given their approval.



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SITE PLAN STAFF REPORT

	BASE INFORMATION
SITE NAME:	Thomas, Bennett & Hunter, Inc.
NUMBER:	SP-19-016
OWNER:	THOMAS BENNETT & HUNTER INC
LOCATION:	Hopewell Road S/S
DESCRIPTION:	Site Plan for Thomas, Bennett & Hunter, Inc
	Functional description of the site is for a concrete plant, for nonresidential nonretail construction
ZONING:	Industrial, General
COMP PLAN LU:	Industrial/Flex
PARCEL:	24000400
PLANNING SECTOR	1
ELECTION DISTRICT:	24
TYPE:	Commercial
GROSS ACRES:	19.34
DWELLING UNITS:	0
TOTAL LOTS:	1
DENSITY:	0 Units Per Acre
PLANNER:	Cody L Shaw
ENGINEER:	FREDERICK SEIBERT & ASSOCIATES
RECEIVED:	May 3, 2019

SITE ENGINEERING

HYDROGRAPHY, SENSITIVE & ENVIRONMENTAL INFORMATION

FLOOD ZONE...... No WETLANDS...... No

WATERSHED..... Conococheague Creek

HISTORIC INVENTORY...... No Resources Present

EASEMENTS PRESENT..... S-15-035

Staff Comments:

Not Applicable



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BEFORE THE BOARD OF APPEALS FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY, MARYLAND

THOMAS, BENNETT & HUNTER, INC

Appeal No. AP2018-017

Applicant

OPINION

This appeal is a request for a special exception to establish a "ready-mix cement concrete mixing plant at the subject property which is located at 11661 Hopewell Road, Hagerstown, Maryland 21740; is owned by Hagerstown-Washington County Industrial Foundation, Inc.; and is zoned Industrial General. The Board held a public hearing on the matter on July 11, 2018.

Findings of Fact

Based upon the testimony given, all information and evidence presented, and upon a study of the specific property involved and the neighborhood in which it is located, the Board makes the following findings of fact:

- 1. Applicant has operated its ready-mix cement concrete mixing plant at the current location on Burhans Boulevard in Hagerstown, Maryland since 1939.
- 2. The subject property is approximately 19.37 acres of unimproved ground located between the Purina Mills property and the Freightliner property on Hopewell Road. It is located in the area identified as the "Hopewell Valley" targeted economic development area by the 2002 Washington County Comprehensive Plan.
- 3. The proposed project is to construct a small single-story office/shop building, a large ready-mix cement concrete plant, a back-up portable plant and outdoor stockpiles. There will be approximately 20-25 employees on-site and the plant would operate from 6:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. during the week and 6:00 a.m. to noon on Saturdays.
- 4. The west side of the subject property contains a forest conservation area, which is located between the Freightliner property and the proposed plant site. There is a residence located on the Freightliner property, towards the eastern boundary line.

5. There was no opposition presented to Applicant's request.

Rationale

The Board has authority to grant a special exception pursuant to Section 25.2(b) of the Zoning Ordinance for Washington County, Maryland. A special exception is defined as "a grant of a specific use that would not be appropriate generally or without restriction; and shall be based upon a finding that the use conforms to the plan and is compatible with the existing neighborhood." Article 28A. In the instant case, the Board is called upon to consider a request to establish a ready-mix cement concrete mixing plant and also to relieve Applicant of specific setback requirements particular to such uses, pursuant to Section 14.2 of the Zoning Ordinance.

The proposed use is a permitted special exception use in this zone, and one that is consistent with the uses on directly adjacent and neighboring properties. It is also highly consistent with the elements of the Comprehensive Plan, which identifies the area as a targeted economic development area. The relocation of businesses to this area furthers the intent and purpose of the Comprehensive Plan. The area has been developed largely by manufacturing and warehouse uses and the proposed use is both consistent and an appropriate fit among the other uses.

There is nothing unique about the subject property or the surrounding properties that would produce more adverse effects at this location as opposed to somewhere else in the zone. The subject property is located near a highway interchange where significant truck traffic already exists due to the existing uses, the property has a forest conservation buffer on the only side with any residential connection, and the noise, dust and other environmental cast-offs from the proposed use are no more than other uses in the immediate area. In short, the construction of a ready-mix cement concrete mixing plant at the subject property will have no greater "adverse effects above and beyond those inherently associated with such a special exception use irrespective of its location within the zone." *Schultz v. Pritts*, 291 Md. 1, 15 (1981). The special exception request is GRANTED, by a vote of 5-0.

As part of the special exception consideration, Section 14.2 of the Ordinance requires that a 1,000 foot setback should be maintained from any contiguous residential property. The Ordinance further permits the Board to determine whether such a setback is necessary, and specifically permits a setback as minimal as 25 feet for ready-mix concrete cement plants. Here, Applicant seeks to reduce the setback to 100 feet which is

consistent with the setback requirement in the Industrial General zoning district generally. This appears to be a reasonable request, designed to provide appropriate setback space while also relieving the burden of the full setback imposed by the Ordinance. The fact that the adjacent "residential use" is ancillary to a commercial truck operation on property zoned Highway Interchange, also supports the reasonableness of such a reduction in the setback requirements. The Board finds that is not necessary to impose the full 1,000 setback requirement and further finds that the proposed setback of 100 feet is both reasonable and appropriate under the circumstances.

Accordingly, this request for a special exception is hereby GRANTED by a vote of 5–0.

BOARD OF APPEALS

By: Paul Fulk, Chair

Date Issued: August 1, 2018

Approvals OWNER / DEVELOPERS CERTIFICATION MD-ENG-6A "I/We certify all/any parties responsible for clearing, grading, construction and/or development will; be done pursuant to this plan and responsible personnel involved in the construction project will have a Certificate of The Soil Conservation District makes no representation as to the existence Training at a Maryland Dept. of the Environment approved training program or nonexistence of any utilities at the construction site. Shown on these for the control of soil erosion and sediment." construction drawings are those utilities which have been identified. It is the responsibility of the landowners or operators and contractors to assure themselves that no hazard exists or damage will occur to utilities. It is suggested that Miss Utility be contacted at: Phone No. 1-800-257-7777 DISTURBED AREA QUANTITY THE TOTAL AREA TO BE DISTURBED SHOWN ON THESE OWNER / DEVELOPERS CERTIFICATION PLANS HAS BEEN DETERMINED TO BE APPROXIMATELY 15.1 ACRES AND THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF "I/we hereby certify that all clearing, grading, construction and/or development will be done pursuant to this plan and in accordance with the EXCAVATION AND FILL AS SHOWN ON THESE PLANS Stormwater Management Ordinance of Washington County and the policy HAS BEEN COMPUTED TO BE APPROXIMATELY 15,000 CU. YDS. OF EXCAVATION AND APPROXIMATELY CU. YDS. OF FILL. on construction of subdivision infrastructure for acceptance and ownership by Washington County (S-3)." ENGINEER / ARCHITECT DESIGN CERTIFICATION hereby certify this plan for soil erosion and sediment control has been designed in accordance with local ordinances, COMAR 26.17.01.07, and Maryland Standards and Specifications for Soil Erosion and Sediment 9/19/2019 WASHINGTON COUNTY SOIL CONSERVATION DISTRICT ENGINEER'S STORMWATER MANAGEMENT CERTIFICATION SOIL EROSION AND SEDIMENT CONTROL PLAN APPROVAL 'I verify and affirm that the Construction for the Stormwater Management Facilities as performed either meets or exceeds the requirements and design intent of this plan, including all specifications and referenced standards, and has been completed in accordance with good construction (PLAN IS VALID FOR TWO YEARS FROM DATE OF APPROVAL) practices. I also verify and affirm that I have reviewed the construction inspection documentation and the as-built information; that it has been done in accordance with Washington County requirements and at a level WASHINGTON COUNTY DIVISION OF PLAN REVIEW AND PERMITTING deemed necessary to assure the Verification made herein; and all discrepancies between the as-built information and approved plans have been noted and are considered acceptable to the Consultant." WASHINGTON COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF WATER QUALITY This approval is for general conformance with the County's requirements for design and layout of proposed sewer and/or water system improvements or extensions. All sewer and/or water system improvements or extensions shall be constructed in strict accordance with the County's latest addition of the Standard Specifications for Construction of Sanitary Sewers and/or Water <u>Professional Certification</u> I hereby certify that these documents were prepared or approved by me, Lines. This approval does not guarantee availability of sewer and/or water service. Sewer and/or water service availability is subject to conformance and that I am a duly licensed professional engineer under the laws of the with all rules, policies and regulations established by the County and in State of Maryland, License No. 44044, Expiration Date: 06/09/2021. effect at the time application for service is made, and/or the availability of allocation remaining in other jurisdictions' facilities that may be granted to the County. This approval shall be valid for a period of TWO years.

WASHINGTON COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF WATER QUALITY

This plan/plat has been reviewed by the Washington County Department o

Water Quality for inclusion into the county capacity management plan for

nstruction Type (circle one) (New) Redevelopment Restoration

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Rev (C.F.)

Pond Storage

(Ac.-ft.)

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Qp10

(CFS)

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RCN

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BIORETENTION SUMMARY TABLE

STRUCTURE

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PROVIDED

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73,014

Outflow

(cfs)

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allocation remaining in the facility.

SITE PLAN

Thomas, Bennett, & Hunter Hagerstown Plant

Situate along the South side of Hopewell Road approximately 0.25 miles northeast of Halfway Boulevard WASHINGTON COUNTY, MD

CONTRACT OWNER/DEVELOPER:

Thomas, Bennett, & Hunter Inc. 401 N. Burhans Blvd. Hagerstown, MD 21740

ATTN: Kevin Beaver PHONE: 410-848-9030 EMail: mailto:kevin.beaver@tbhconcrete.com

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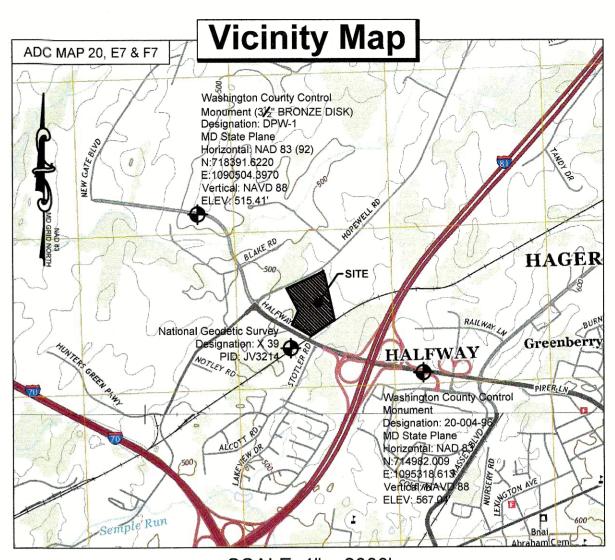
Division of Plan Review & Permitting Notes

- 1. In conformance with the Stormwater Management Ordinance of Washington County, a performance security and executed maintenance agreement shall be required from the developer prior to issuance of any building or grading
- permit for construction per these plans." 2. This project will require a third party qualified professional to be present at the preconstruction meeting. Construction inspection will be required for this project per the "Roadway and Stormwater Management Construction
- Verification Procedures" dated October 17, 2008. 3. A complete set of approved plans and a copy of the grading permit must be on site and available for use by the
- inspector, or other representative of Washington County Division of Public Works. 4. Developer/Contractor shall contact the certifying engineer and the County at least 5 days prior to the start of
- construction of the stormwater management system to schedule and coordinate inspection time tables. 5. This development plan must comply with the current Washington County Stormwater Management, Grading, Soil Erosion and Sediment Control. Ordinance.
- 6. All grading for this project shall be the full responsibility of the property owner.
- 7. A utility permit will be required for any proposed utility work located within the County right-of-way. 8. A public works agreement and performance security will be required for all improvements within the County
- right-of-way that are not otherwise regulated under a utility permit or entrance permit.
- 9. This development plat must comply with the current Washington County Stormwater Management, Grading, Soil Erosion and Sediment Control Ordinance.

SWM Narrative

This site was evaluated for its' environmental impacts including streams, springs and seeps, wetlands, floodplains, forests, slopes, and soils. The lot currently has approximately 7.63 acres of existing woods with the remaining area being farmed with row crops. required.

To meet the requirements of the Washington County Stormwater Management Ordinance, we are required to treat 9.99 acres of proposed impervious area which equates to an ESDv of 77,723 c.f. and a WQv of 35,329 c.f. 0.20 acres of impervious area for the Hopewell Road improvements qualify for N-2 Non-Rooftop Disconnection that provides 701 c.f. of ESDv. 1.57 acres of impervious area will be treated in a M-8 Bioretention Swale that will provide 4,320 c.f. of ESDv. The remainder of the ESDv will be treated in an I-2 Infiltration Basin. The geotechnical analysis found an infiltration rate of 3.3 inches per hour. The basin has been sized to infiltrate the 100 year storm event with no runoff leaving the facility.



SCALE: 1" = 2000'

TAX MAP: 48 PARCEL: 572 TAX ID: 24-000400 HOPEWELL ROAD IS CLASSIFIED AS A MINOR COLLECTOR ROAD SPEED LIMIT 40 MPH

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The lot currently is divided into two watersheds with a highpoint running north to south. The east watershed is approximately 3.52 acres and the west watershed is approximately 17.75 acres. Prior to preparing a conceptual plan, an environmental resource inventory was completed. Along with the aforementioned woods, existing soils were conditions were researched. The soils on the lot are Hagerstown silt loam (HaB) which comprises about 55% of the lot and Hagerstown silty clay loam (HbB). Both soils are hydrologic soil group (HSG) B soils. The HaB soils has a erosion factor for whole soil (Kw) of 0.37 and is the soil that is being actively farmed. There are existing steep slopes on site which are slopes greater than 25% or slopes greater than 15% with a Kw greater than 0.35. Soils maps for the site can be found in Appendix A. The area of steep slopes being impacted by the proposed improvements are being minimized to the maximum extent practicable and are located within the existing forest on the west side of the lot. Highly erodible soils (HES) exist on the lot with the majority being located in the forest on the west side of the lot. The impact on the HES are being minimized to the maximum extent practicable. An area of forest located in the center of the lot is being proposed to be cleared for the construction of the building. A total of approximately 3.80 acres of forest is being proposed to be cleared on the lot for the ultimate construction of the proposed improvements. The remainder of the existing forest will be placed in a forest will be placed in a forest conservation easement to meet the requirement of the Washington County Forest Conservation Ordinance. There are two intermittent streams onsite that are shown on the USDA Soils Maps for Washington County. We found no evidence of sink holes or flow and the drainage area is less than 100 acres so a stream buffer is not

> ROJECT NUMBER: 6410.2 BRADING CHK BY: DATE: 2018 COVER SEC CHK BY: SHEET 01 OF PLAN CHK BY: 3/2019 SP-19-016 DESCRIPTION

STRUCTURE

Non Rooftop

Bio Swale

STORM

EVENT

Cpv

100

Infiltration Basin

In conformance with the Stormwater Management Ordinance of Washington County, a performance security and executed maintenance agreement shall be required from the developer prior to issuance

BMP NO. | ESDv WSE

517.50

507.29

Development

East (cfs)

3.17

25.81

50.96

BSWL-1

IF-1

Development

East (cfs)

2.25

9.11

15.69

IMPERVIOUS

AREA TO

0.20

1.57

9.69

Total Pre

Development

(cfs)

5.42

34.92

66.65

STRUCT. (AC.) | AREA (S.F.) |

STORMWATER QUANTITY SUMMARY REGIONAL POND

of any building or grading permit for construction per these plans.

GENERAL NOTES

- G.1 Any damage to adjoining public roads, utilities, etc. during construction will be repaired in kind by the contractor. G.2 No subsurface investigation has been performed by Frederick, Seibert and Associates, Inc. to determine ground water, rock, sinkholes or any other natural or man-made existing features. Refer to the Geotechnical Report for this site prepared by Triad Engineering, Inc.
- G.3 FSA, Inc. assumes no liability for the location of any above ground and below ground utilities. Existing utilities are shown from the best available information. Contractor to field verify location and depth of all above and below ground utilities prior
- G.4 The contractor shall verify the existence and location of all the utilities, shown hereon or otherwise, and verify existing conditions before beginning construction. It is the responsibility of the contractors to assure themselves that no hazard exists or damage will occur to the utilities. It is required that "miss utility" (1-800-257-7777) and all applicable utility companies be contacted at least one week prior to commencement of work.
- G.5 The contractor shall take all necessary precautions to protect the existing utilities and to maintain uninterrupted service. Any damage incurred due to the contractor's operation shall be repaired immediately at the contractor's expense. Contractor to use caution in areas where low hanging wires exist.
- G.6 All utilities shall be cleared by a minimum of 1'-0". All utility poles shall be cleared by a minimum of 2'-0" or tunneled if G.7 The Contractor shall notify the following utilities or agencies at least five (5) days before starting work shown on these

Miss Utility	(800) 257-7777
Potomac Edison	(800) 255-3443
Columbia Gas	(888) 460-4332
Maryland Department of the Environment	(301) 665-2850
Washington County Soil Conservation District	(301) 797-6821 ext. 3
Washington County Division of Public Works	(240) 313-2400
City of Hagerstown Water	(301) 739-8577 x 650
Washington County Department of Water Quality	(240) 313-2600

- G.8 The contractor shall be responsible for coordination of his construction with the construction of other contractors.
- G.9 Benchmark is shown on multiple sheets throughout the set.

drawings:

- G.10 The contractor shall be responsible for notifying the Architect/Engineer, before construction, of any discrepancies in the plans, actual field conditions and/or in the relationship of finished grades to existing prior to beginning work. G.11 The contractor shall protect all utilities and culvert pipes during construction by insuring proper cover, increasing cover, or
- constructing roadway and parking through base course before loading site with heavy vehicles.
- G.12 Job site safety is the sole responsibility of the contractor. The Contractor shall perform all excavation in accordance with O.S.H.A. Regulations for trench safety. G.13 The contractor shall perform his own field inspection and surveys (if necessary) to determine the limit of earthwork needed
- to complete this project. Any earthwork quantities that may be shown hereon are preliminary estimates only, and are intended for Soil Erosion Control plan review, if required. There has been no correction made to the earthwork quantities shown hereon due to the compaction of fill.
- G.14 The contractor shall be aware that in the event of discrepancy between scaled and figured dimensions shown on the plan, the figured dimensions shall govern.
- G.15 Erosion & Sediment control measures shall be installed per erosion and sediment control plans, details and specifications.
- G.16 Fills shall be placed in accordance with the geotechnical engineers specifications.
- G.17 The entire area included within the proposed limits of cut and fill shall be stripped of all root material, trash and other organic and otherwise objectionable, non-complying and unsuitable soils and materials. Unless otherwise directed by the
- G.18 It shall be distinctly understood that failure to mention specifically any work which would naturally be required to complete the project shall not relieve the contractor of his responsibility to complete such work.
- G.19 Existing topography is from field run surveys during July 2015 supplemented with county aerial mapping. Datum is NAD 83 (2007), NAVD 88 based on GPS surveys (Contour accuracy is to plus or minus one half the contour interval). G.20 Stormwater management is being provided by Bio-Retention areas.
- G.21 The subdivision plat and forest conversation easement plat are shown on Washington County reference #S-15-035. Forest
- conversation requirement are addressed by preserving/locking up existing forest on site. G.22 Fill brought to this site and/or excavation/sediment exported from this site shall be imported/exported from a site with an
- approved and up-to-date erosion and sediment control plan and N.P.D.E.S. Permit, where applicable.
- G.23 The site shall comply with the Maryland Accessibility Code and the Americans with Disabilities Act. G.24 Applicant must provide as built mylars at the completion of the project for the stormwater management pond and BMP's... G.25 This project has a projected start date of June 2019 and a completion date of June 2020. Phase 2 estimated start date of
- July 2020 (It will be as market demand necessitates additional product) G.26 A complete set of approved plans and a copy of the grading permit must be on site and available for use by the inspector,
- or other representative of Washington County Division of Public Works. G.27 A Special Exception was granted to establish a "ready-mix cement concrete mixing plant" at the property per Board of Zoning Appeals Docket No. AP2019-017 at its July 11, 2018 meeting.

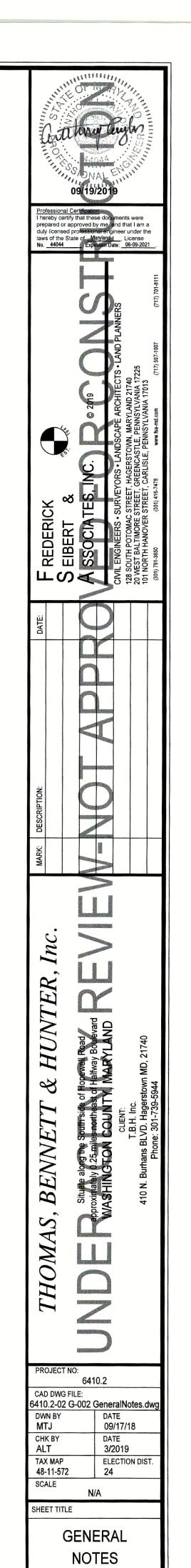
FIRE DEPARTMENT NOTES:

- CONSTRUCTION OCCURRING ON THIS SITE SHALL COMPLY WITH NFPA 241, STANDARD FOR SAFEGUARDING CONSTRUCTION,
- ALTERATION, AND DEMOLITION OPERATIONS, AND CHAPTER 16 OF NFPA 1, UNIFORMED FIRE CODE.
- NO OPEN BURNING IS PERMITTED. PERMITS ARE REQUIRED TO PERFORM BLASTING OPERATIONS WITHIN THE CITY OF HAGERSTOWN. NEW BUILDINGS SHALL HAVE APPROVED ADDRESS NUMBERS PLACED IN A POSITION TO BE PLAINLY LEGIBLE AND VISIBLE FROM THE STREET OR ROAD FRONTING THE PROPERTY (NFPA 1-10.13.1). A FIRE DEPARTMENT ACCESS BOX (KNOX BOX) SHALL BE INSTALLED. THIS BOX WILL BE REQUIRED TO CONTAIN KEYS TO THE BUILDING,
- GATES, FIRE PROTECTION SYSTEM KEYS AND OTHER AREAS AS REQUESTED BY THE FIRE DEPARTMENT. PLANS SHOULD REFLECT THE LOCATION OF BOX NEAR THE MAIN ENTRANCE. APPLICATION INFORMATION MAY BE OBTAINED FROM THIS OFFICE BY THE GENERAL CONTRACTOR OR ONLINE AT WWW.KNOXBOX.COM.

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Concrete Plant
Nonresidential nonretail construction
The building excise tax for nonresidential nonretail construction is \$1 per square feet of the group of states.
foot of the gross square footage
Monday-Friday 6am-6pm, Saturday 6am-12pm
4 tractor trailer per day 12-18
12-10
pace per 350 sqft of office and/or sales space (1,250 sqft)
18 Spaces
4 Spaces (1 Handicap Space Required)
22 Spaces
0 Spaces
18 Spaces
4 Spaces
1 Spaces
23 Spaces
City of Hagerstown
Washington County Department of Water Quality
0 GDP
10,000 GPD
5,000 GPD
600 GPD
Dumpster with private hauler
Internal Collection & Storage with Private Hauler
None
See Plans
None
Standard Mailbox with address sign
(Must meet Washington County Fire Department specification & standards)
11661 Hopewell Road Hagerstown MD 21740
Special Exception Appeal No. AP2018-017
FS-15-015 (Approval date: 08-12-2015)
Addressed by preserving/locking up existing forest on site (S-15-035)
Concochangua Crask
Conococheague Creek
02-14-05-04 24043C0120D 8/15/2017
24043C0120D 8/15/2017 There are no floodplains, streams & other related buffers, or habitat of
threatened or endangered species identified by the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service per 50 CFR 17 as required to be shown by sections 306, 307 & 314 of the Washington County Subdivision Ordinance & section 4.21 (C&D) of the Washington County Zoning Ordinance.
There is no part of this site that lies in the 100 Year Flood Plain
There are no wetlands on site per the National Wetland Inventory Mapping

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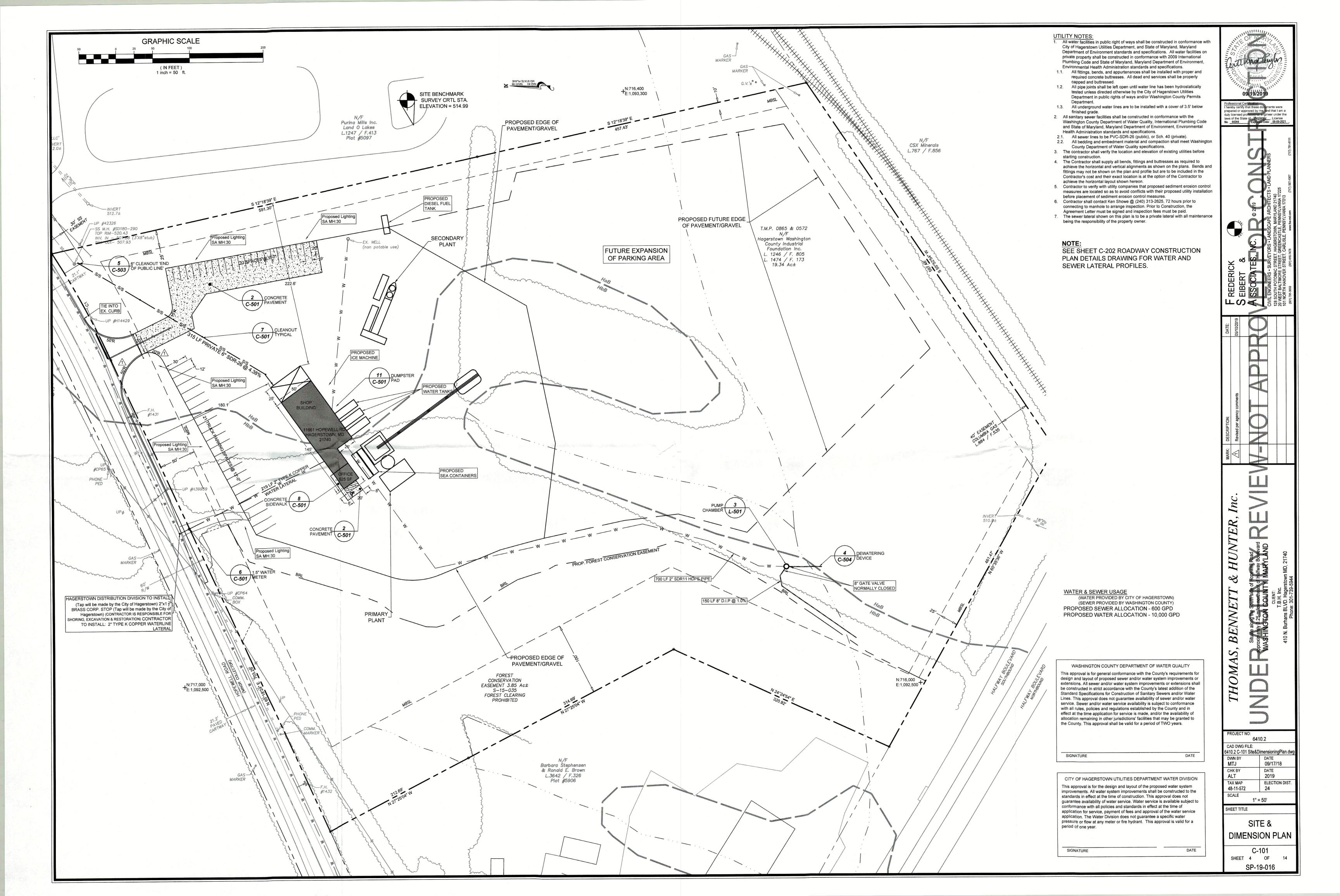
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AWWA	=	AMERICAN WATER WORKS ASSOCIATION	PCC	=	POINT OF COMPOUND CURVE
BLDG BOT	=	BUILDING BOTTOM	PGL	=	PROPOSED GRADE LINE
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DA	=	DRAINAGE AREA	R/W	=	RIGHT-OF-WAY
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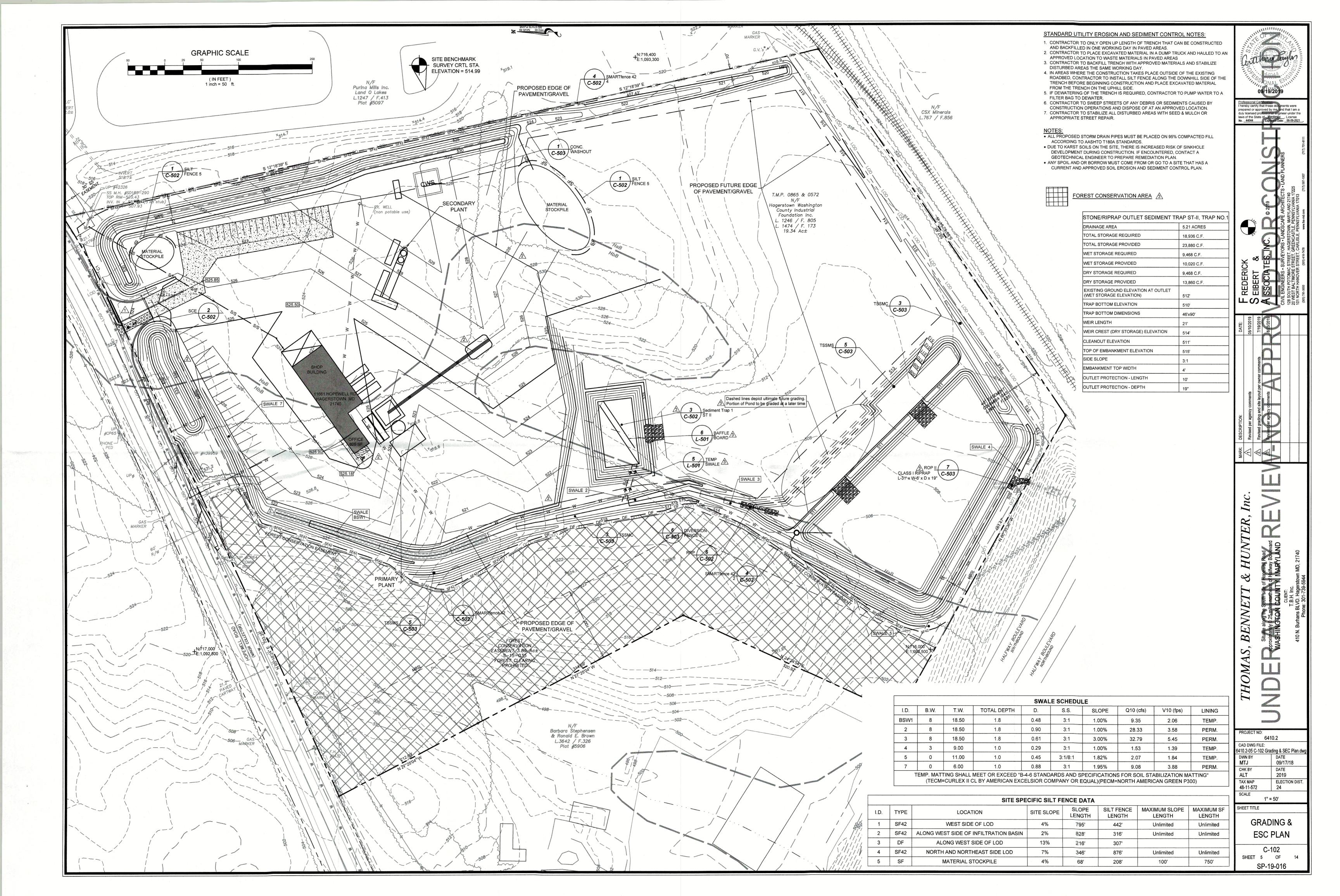


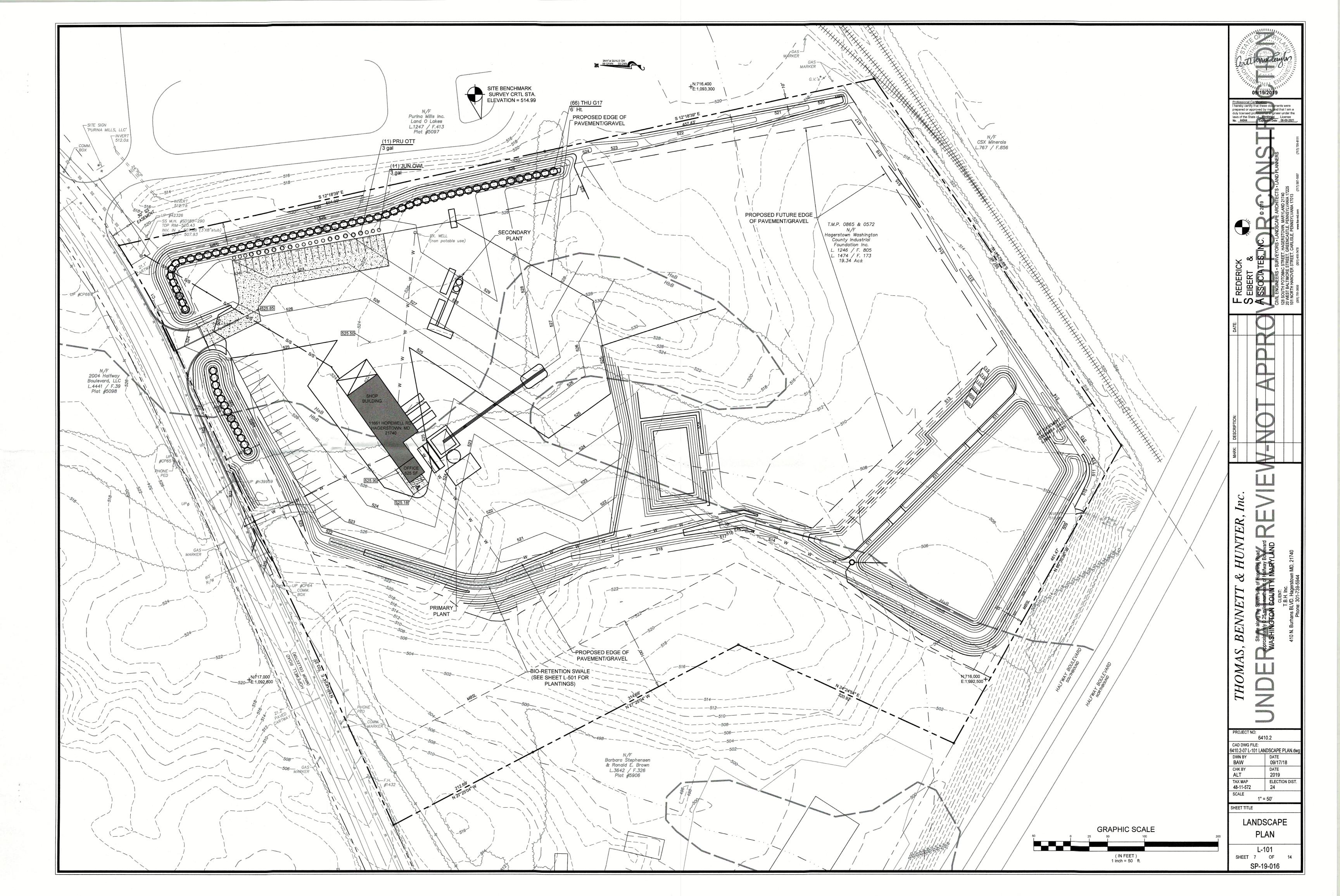
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Site Plan for Dollar General Hagerstown Planning Commission Hearing 10/7/2019

- Site is located at 17213 Virginia Avenue, at the corner of Virginia Avenue and Bower Avenue.
- Proposal is to construct 10,640 sq.ft. commercial retail building on a vacant-former fuel station site.
- There will be two entrances, one off Virginia Avenue and one off Bower Avenue.
- Hours of operation 8am to 10pm 7 days a week with a maximum of four employees on site at once. 10 total employees on payroll for site.
- There are 38 total parking spaces. A variance was granted for parking reduction from 54 spaces to 38 in case no. AP2019-012 (see attached).
- Public water by City of Hagerstown and public sewer by the county will service the site.
- Deliveries will be by truck on the east side of the building.
- Lighting will be building mounted and pole mounted in parking lot.
- Signage will be a monument sign and building mounted.
- Landscaping will be installed around the building.
- Forestation requirement is being addressed by paying the fee in lieu.

BEFORE THE BOARD OF APPEALS FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY, MARYLAND

PENNTEX VENTURES, LLC

Appeal No. AP2019-012

Appellant

OPINION

This appeal is a request for a variance to reduce the required parking from 54 spaces to 38 spaces, to reduce the required parking separation from the street right away from 10 feet to 1.5 feet, to reduce the setback from 25 feet to 15 feet for placement of a freestanding sign and a variance to allow the freestanding sign to face a residential district at the subject property. The subject property is located at 17213 Virginia Avenue, Hagerstown, Maryland; is owned by Williamsport Adventures, LLC (hereinafter "Appellant"); and is zoned Business Local (BL). The Board held a public hearing on the matter on May 29, 2019.

Findings of Fact

Based upon the testimony given, all information and evidence presented, and upon a study of the specific property involved and the neighborhood in which it is located, the Board makes the following findings of fact:

- Appellant is the contract-purchaser of the subject property, located at 7213
 Virginia Avenue, Hagerstown, Maryland. The subject property is owned by Williamsport Adventures, LLC.
 - 2. Appellant is a real estate development company operating in multiple

states along the east coast and West Virginia and Ohio. Appellant serves as the real estate developer for Dollar General for their new construction, renovation and relocation projects.

- 3. The subject property is irregularly shaped and bordered to the west by Bower Avenue. The property used to be the site of an old gas station, with open parking lot access all along Bower Avenue. The rear of the site is elevated and is heavily wooded, making it less than ideal for development.
- 4. The proposed use is a Dollar General store, relocated from its current location on Virginia Avenue.
- 5. Appellant proposes to construct a mid-size store with 38 parking spaces, a freestanding sign and channelized parking lot that will allow a tractor-trailer to pull in and dock in the loading zone without impeding traffic on Virginia Avenue.
- 6. Appellant proposes to install the freestanding sign along the roadway, at the corner of the intersection of Bower Avenue and Virginia Avenue.
- 7. The County is requiring Appellant to dedicate 15 feet of land along Bower Avenue to allow for an access point to the property.
- 8. There are a number of other businesses which have freestanding signs along Virginia in the surrounding neighborhood, including multiple billboards.
 - 9. There was no opposition presented at the hearing.

Rationale

Variance for Freestanding Sign Facing a Residential District

Appellant has sought a variance to allow the proposed freestanding sign at the corner of Bower Avenue and Virginia Avenue to face the adjacent residential property to

the east and on the opposite side of the subject property. Section 22.23(e) of the Zoning Ordinance authorizes the use of a freestanding sign by businesses, but also provides:

Businesses or industries having a frontage on more than one street may have an additional freestanding sign for each street frontage, provided that the total area for all freestanding signs does not exceed 600 square feet. Where the lot adjoins any lot or lots in a RT, RS, RU, RM or RV District, and a freestanding sign is on the side of the business lot adjoining the residential lot, the sign shall not face the adjoining RT, RS, RU, RM or RV lot.

In this case, the adjoining residential property to the east of the subject property is in the RU district. Appellant was directed to seek this variance as a result of planning staff's interpretation that Section 22.23(e) imposed a restriction on their proposed freestanding sign location. We disagree. As set forth above, the restriction only applies if the sign is on the side of the business lot *adjoining the residential lot*. Appellant has proposed that the sign be at the furthest point from said lot, on the corner of Bower Avenue, and adjoining a lot located in the BL District. Accordingly, the Board finds that Appellant's variance request for a freestanding sign to face a residential district is unnecessary and that the location as proposed, complies with the requirements of the Zoning Ordinance.

Appellant's Other Variance Requests

This Board has authority to grant a variance upon a showing of practical difficulty or undue hardship. §§ 25.2(c) and 25.56. * "Practical Difficulty" may be found by the Board when: (1) strict compliance would unreasonably prevent the use of the property

^{* &}quot;When the terms unnecessary hardship (or one of its synonyms) and practical difficulties are framed in the disjunctive ("or"), Maryland courts generally have applied the more restrictive hardship standard to use variances, while applying the less restrictive practical difficulties standard to area variances because use variances are viewed as more drastic departures from zoning requirements." *Belvoir Farms Homeowners Ass'n, Inc. v. North,* 355 Md. 259, 276 n.10 (1999) (citations omitted).

for a permitted purpose or render conformance unnecessarily burdensome; and (2) denying the variance would do substantial injustice to the applicant and a lesser relaxation than that applied for would not give substantial relief; and (3) granting the variance would observe the spirit of the Ordinance and secure public safety and welfare. § 25.56(A).

"'Uniqueness' of a property for zoning purposes requires that the subject property have an inherent characteristic not shared by other properties in the area, i.e., its shape, topography, subsurface condition, environmental factors, historical significance, access or non-access to navigable waters, practical restrictions imposed by abutting properties (such as obstructions) or other similar restrictions." *North v. St. Mary's Cnty.*, 99 Md. App. 502, 514 (1994).) In this case, the subject property is irregularly shaped and consists of elevation changes that materially impact its development. The irregular shape imposes a limitation on the location of structures while the topography changes in such a small space dictate access and parking.

The Appellant has demonstrated a practical difficulty if variance relief is not granted. Appellant would have to eliminate a significant number of mature trees and a natural buffer to the residential neighborhood to the rear, in order to comply with the parking requirements. The testimony and evidence established that the end user was comfortable with 35 parking spaces for this size store, so requested 38 spaces are more than sufficient for the proposed use. Even with the necessary setbacks proposed due to the Bower Avenue dedication, the site will be developed to channelize traffic and access instead of being open as it has for years. The relocation of this store and proposed site design also allow for trucks to deliver without impeding or negative affecting traffic on Virginia Avenue. If Appellant were forced to comply with the strict requirements of the

Ordinance, the security, safety and orderly development of this site would be materially

affected. The relaxation of the setback requirements affords Appellant the necessary

relief and avoids the unreasonable and unfair result of limiting what is otherwise enjoyed

by surrounding property owners. For all these reasons, we conclude that the grant of

variance relief secures public safety and welfare and upholds the spirit of the Ordinance.

Accordingly, the requests for a variances to reduce the required parking from 54

spaces to 38 spaces, to reduce the required parking separation from the street right away

from 10 feet to 1.5 feet, and to reduce the setback from 25 feet to 15 feet for placement of

a freestanding sign are hereby GRANTED by a vote of 5–0. By a vote of 4-1, the Board

has determined that the requested variance related to the freestanding sign facing

residential property is unnecessary.

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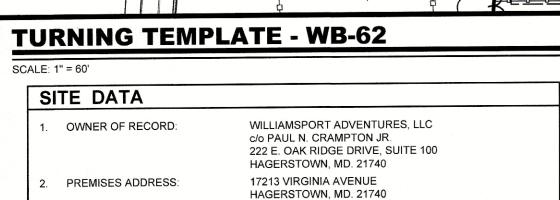
Paul Fulk, Chair

Date Issued: June 27, 2019

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DOLLAR GENERAL

HAGERSTOWN WASHINGTON COUNTY, MD 2018126.00



1563 WOODWARD DRIVE GREENSBURG, PA. 15601 BECKER MORGAN GROUP INC. 312 W. MAIN STREET SUITE 300 SALISBURY, MD 21801

c/o WILLIAM OWEN

PHONE: 410-546-9100 TAX MAP 48 PARCEL 528 . TAX MAP NUMBER: BL - BUSINESS LOCAL ZONING CLASSIFICATION: EXISTING: PROPOSED: BL - BUSINESS LOCAL 4810/154 DEED SUMMARY

3. EQUITABLE OWNER/DEVELOPER: PTV 1001, LLC.

4. ENGINEER / SURVEYOR:

12. PROPOSED BUILDING:

15. SETBACKS:

LANDSCAPE REQUIREMENT

4810/157 PLAT REFERENCE: VACANT - FORMER FUEL STATION PRESENT USE: COMMERCIAL 10. PROPOSED USE: 58,039.64 S.F. (1.33 ACRES) 11. TOTAL SITE AREA:

10,640 S.F.

EXISTING: 35,727.29 S.F. (0.82 ACRES) 13. IMPERVIOUS COVERAGE: PROPOSED: 32,793.98 S.F. (0.75 ACRES) COMMERCIAL RETAIL SALES 14. PARKING CALCULATIONS: REQUIRED: 54 (5/1000 SF * 10,640SF PROVIDED: 37 HANDICAP PARKING SPACES: 2

- PARKING REDUCTION APPROVED BY BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS: DOCKET - AP2019-012 FRONT: 25 FT.

25' FT. (ADJ. TO RES.); 10 FT. (ADJ. TO COMM.) FENCE OR LANDSCAPE ADJ. TO RESIDENTIAL

FUTURE PERMIT SUBMISSION 16. OUTDOOR LIGHTING: TO BE DETERMINED 17. LOT COVERAGE: PERMITTED: 70% PERMITTED: 25.0' BUILDING HEIGHT:

CITY OF HAGERSTOWN 19. SOURCE OF WATER WASHINGTON COUNTY SOURCE OF SEWER: 21. SOURCE OF GAS: COLUMBIA GAS 22. SOURCE OF ELECTRIC: POTOMAC EDISON

WASHINGTON COUNTY BRASS DISK - 20-002 96 23. SURVEY BENCHMARK VERTICAL: NAD 83 EXISTING: 4 FOUND 24. MONUMENTATION: PROPOSED: 4 TO BE SET

46,636.70 S.F. (1.07 ACRES) 25. TOTAL DISTURBED AREA: 26. BUILDING CONST. TYPE: 27. SANITARY SEWER FLOW: AVERAGE DAILY FLOW: 400 G.P.D. BASED ON FEMA FIRM PANEL 24043C0282D 28. FEMA FLOOD ZONE:

DATED AUGUST 15, 2017, THIS SITE AREA IS LOCATED IN FLOOD ZONE X UNSHADED - AREA OF MINIMAL FLOOD HAZARD MAX. 4 PER SHIFT, 10 TOTAL ON PAYROLL

NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES MON. - SUN.; 8:00 A.M. - 10:00 P.M. 30. HOURS OF OPERATION EXISTING ALLOCATION: 1000 gpd 31. WATER/SEWER USAGE: PROPOSED USAGE: 200 gpd PAYMENT IN LIEU (PIL) REFERENCE: FS-19-022 32. FOREST CONSERVATION: SINGLE PYLON SIGN (SEE DETAILS SHEET C-201) 33. SITE SIGNAGE:

DISTURBED AREA QUANTITIES

THE TOTAL AREA TO BE DISTURBED SHOWN ON THESE PLANS HAS BEEN DETERMINED TO BE APPROXIMATELY 42.814.02 S.F. (0.98 ACRES) AND THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF EXCAVATION AND FILL AS SHOWN ON THESE PLANS HAS BEEN COMPUTED TO BE APPROXIMATELY 323 CUBIC YARDS OF EXCAVATION AND 1604 CUBIC YARDS OF FILL.

SOIL TYPE LISTING

SuA - SWANPOND-FUNKSTOWN-URBAN LAND COMPLEX, 0 TO 3 % SLOPES - CLASS D HdD - HAGERSTOWN-DUFFIELD-URBAN LAND COMPLEX, 8 TO 25 % SLOPES - CLASS B

WASHINGTON COUNTY ZONING VARIANCES - DOCKET AP2019-012

22.12.(B)1 - REQUEST REDUCTION OF THE MINIMUM PARKING REQUIRED 22.12(f)3.i - REQUEST REDUCTION SETBACK FROM RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE ALONG BOWER AVENUE

*NOTE: VARIANCES APPROVED 7/29/2019

LEGEND								
ITEM	EXISTING	PROPOSED	ITEM	EXISTING	PROPOSED			
CONCRETE CURB & GUTTER CONCRETE SIDEWALK, SLAB / PAVING IMPERVIOUS SURFACED ROAD, DRIVE OR LOT INDIVIDUAL TREE OR BUSH	EVERGREEN DECIDIOUS	N/A	SANITARY GRAVITY SEWER LINE, SIZE & FLOW DIRECTION SANITARY SEWER FORCE MAIN, SIZE & FLOW DIRECTION SANITARY SEWER MANHOLE (S.M.H.) SANITARY SEWER CLEANOUT	→ EX. 10"S————————————————————————————————————	→ 10" S————————————————————————————————————			
WIRE FENCE CHAINLINK FENCE STOCKADE FENCE	XXX	XXX	WATER MAIN & SIZE FIRE HYDRANT	——EX. 10" W——— № F.H.	—————————————————————————————————————			
STRUCTURE (CONCRETE, WOOD, METAL, ETC.) DRAINAGE DITCH OR SWALE			WATER VALVE (W.V.) OR METER (W.M.) STORM DRAIN MANHOLE (S.D.M.H.) STORM DRAIN LINE (CMP OR RCP)	W.M. W.V.	₩.M. W.V.			
EMBANKMENT SIDESLOPES (DOWN) CONTOUR ELEVATION SPOT SHOT	43.55	55 (25.50 T.C.)	CATCH BASIN					
BENCH MARK PROPERTY OR RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE		25.15 (25.00 B.C.) N/A	(TELEPHONE OR ELECTRIC OR BOTH) UNDERGROUND ELECTRIC UNDERGROUND TELEPHONE	U.E	———U.E.———			
LIGHT POLE CONSTRUCTION NOTE	ф N/A	* *	UNDERGROUND GAS MAIN PAVEMENT TO BE REMOVED	————EX. 2" G————— N/A	2" G———			

TAX MAP 48 PARCEL 288 JEFFREY CRAMPTON D.B. 05139/ 00358 TAX MAP 48 PARCEL 157 ABRAM LINCOLN BRICKER JR D.B. 725/379 ZONED RU PROPOSED BUILDING JEFFREY N CRAMPTON D.B. 01883/ 00486 TAX MAP 48 PARCEL 142 MICHAEL & KENDRA WEESE TAX MAP 48 PARCEL 143 BOWER AVE PROPERTIES LLC D.B. 1793/547 manument. TAX MAP 48 PARCEL 155 TAX MAP 48 PARCEL 154 WADE A. LUM WADE A. & GERALDINE M. LUM D.B. 270/442 ZONED RU

GENERAL NOTES

THE COUNTY RIGHT-OF-WAY

WASHINGTON COUNTY DIVISION OF PUBLIC WORKS.

PERMIT FOR CONSTRUCTION PER THESE PLANS.

REGULATED UNDER A UTILITY PERMIT OR ENTRANCE PERMIT.

A. ALL GRADING FOR THIS PROJECT SHALL BE THE FULL RESPONSIBILITY OF THE PROPERTY

B. A COMPLETE SET OF APPROVED PLANS AND A COPY OF THE GRADING PERMIT MUST BE ON SITE AND AVAILABLE FOR USE BY THE INSPECTOR, OR OTHER REPRESENTATIVE OF

C. A PUBLIC WORKS AGREEMENT AND PERFORMANCE SECURITY WILL BE REQUIRED FOR ALL

D. A UTILITY PERMIT WILL BE REQUIRED FOR ANY PROPOSED UTILITY WORK LOCATED WITHIN

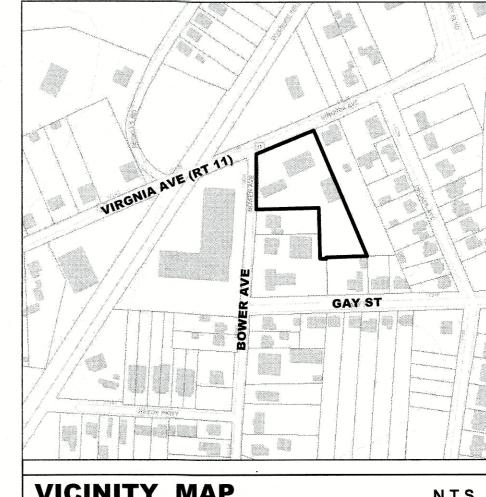
E. NO PERMANENT STRUCTURES (E.G., FENCES, SHEDS, PLAY EQUIPMENT, RETAINING WALLS)

IN CONFORMANCE WITH THE STORMWATER MANAGEMENT ORDINANCE OF WASHINGTON COUNTY, A PERFORMANCE SECURITY AND EXECUTED MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT SHALL BE

REQUIRED FROM THE DEVELOPER PRIOR TO ISSUANCE OF ANY BUILDING OR GRADING

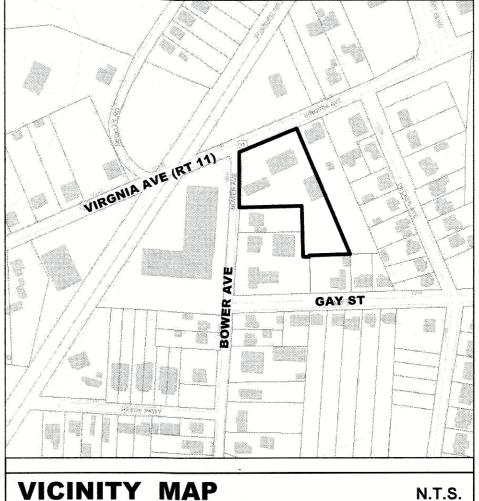
SHALL BE PERMITTED WITHIN ANY STORMWATER OR STORM DRAINAGE EASEMENT ON THIS

IMPROVEMENTS WITHIN THE COUNTY RIGHT-OF-WAY THAT ARE NOT OTHERWISE



SHEET INDEX COVER SHEET **EXISTING CONDITIONS & DEMOLITION PLAN** SOIL BORING LOCATIONS & BORING LOGS C-102 PROPOSED SITE PLAN C-201 C-202 ENTRANCE SITE DISTANCE TRIANGLES C-301 PROPOSED UTILITIES PLAN C-302 STORM DRAIN PROFILES SUBMERGED GRAVEL WETLAND CONSTRUCTION PLAN & DETAILS UTILITY CONSTRUCTION DETAILS SITE LIGHTING - PHOTOMETRIC PLAN PROPOSED GRADING PLAN C-501 - C-502 EROSION & SEDIMENT CONTROL PLAN, NOTES & DETAILS MD-SHA ENTRANCE PLANS PAVEMENT MARKING & SIGNING PLAN MAINTENANCE OF TRAFFIC PLAN SITE CONSTRUCTION DETAILS LANDSCAPE PLAN FOREST STAND DELINEATION PLAN

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17213 VIRGINIA AVENUE TAX MAP: 48 GRID: 24 PARCEL: 528 **ZONING: BL - BUSINESS LOCAL ELECTION DISTRICT: 2A**

COVER CHEET

THIS PLAN/PLAT HAS BEEN REVIEWED BY THE WASHINGTON COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF WATER QUALITY FOR INCLUSION INTO THE COUNTY CAPACITY MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR THE SYSTEM THAT SERVES THIS PROJECT. ALLOCATION GRANTED FOR CONSTRUCTION SHOWN ON THIS PLAN/PLAT SHALL BE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CAPACITY MANAGEMENT PLAN DEVELOPED FOR THIS SYSTEM BASED ON AVAILABILITY OF ALLOCATION REMAINING

WASHINGTON COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF WATER QUALITY

OWNER / DEVELOPER CERTIFICATION: I/WE HEREBY CERTIFY THAT ALL CLEARING, GRADING, CONSTRUCTION AND/OR DEVELOPMENT WILL BE DONE

PURSUANT TO THIS PLAN AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE STORMWATER MANAGEMENT ORDINANCE OF WASHINGTON COUNTY AND THE POLICY ON CONSTRUCTION OF SUBDIVISION INFRASTRUCTURE FOR ACCEPTANCE

WASHINGTON COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF WATER QUALITY

THIS APPROVAL IS FOR GENERAL CONFORMANCE WITH THE COUNTY'S REQUIREMENTS FOR DESIGN AND LAYOUT

SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS OR EXTENSIONS SHALL BE CONSTRUCTED IN STRICT ACCORDANCE WITH THE COUNTY'S

LATEST EDITION OF THE STANDARD SPECIFICATIONS FOR CONSTRUCTION OF SANITARY SEWERS AND/OR WATER

OF PROPOSED SEWER AND/OR WATER SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS OR EXTENSIONS. ALL SEWER AND/OR WATER

LINES. THIS APPROVAL DOES NOT GUARANTEE AVAILABILITY IS SUBJECT TO CONFORMANCE WITH ALL RULES.

SERVICE IS MADE, AND/OR THE AVAILABILITY OF ALLOCATION REMAINING IN OTHER JURISDICTIONS' FACILITIES

POLICIES. AND REGULATIONS ESTABLISHED BY THE COUNTY AND IN EFFECT AT THE TIME APPLICATION FOR

THAT MAY BE GRANTED TO THE COUNTY. THIS APPROVAL SHALL BE VALID FOR A PERIOD OF TWO YEARS.

09/11/2019

PROJECT DESIGN MANAGER

TITLE

WASHINGTON COUNTY SOIL CONSERVATION DISTRICT

SOIL EROSION AND SEDIMENT CONTROL PLAN APPROVAL

(PLAN IS VALID FOR TWO YEARS FROM DATE OF APPROVAL)

PRINTED NAME

WASHINGTON COUNTY DIVISION OF PLAN REVIEW & PERMITTING

WILLIAM R. OWEN

ENGINEER/ARCHITECT DESIGN CERTIFICATION THEREBY CERTIFY THIS PLAN FOR SOIL EROSION AND SEDIMENT CONTROL HAS BEEN DESIGNED IN ACCORDANCE WITH LOCAL ORDINANCES COMMAR 26 17 01 07, AND MARYLAND STANDARDS AND SPECIFICATIONS FOR SOIL EPOSIC

AND SEDIMENT CONTROL		
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Coffey Warman_	#30331	09/11/2019
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WASHINGTON COUNTY PLAN REVIEW & PERMITTING DEPARTMENT

DRAWN BY: SDB PROJ. MGR.: JAH

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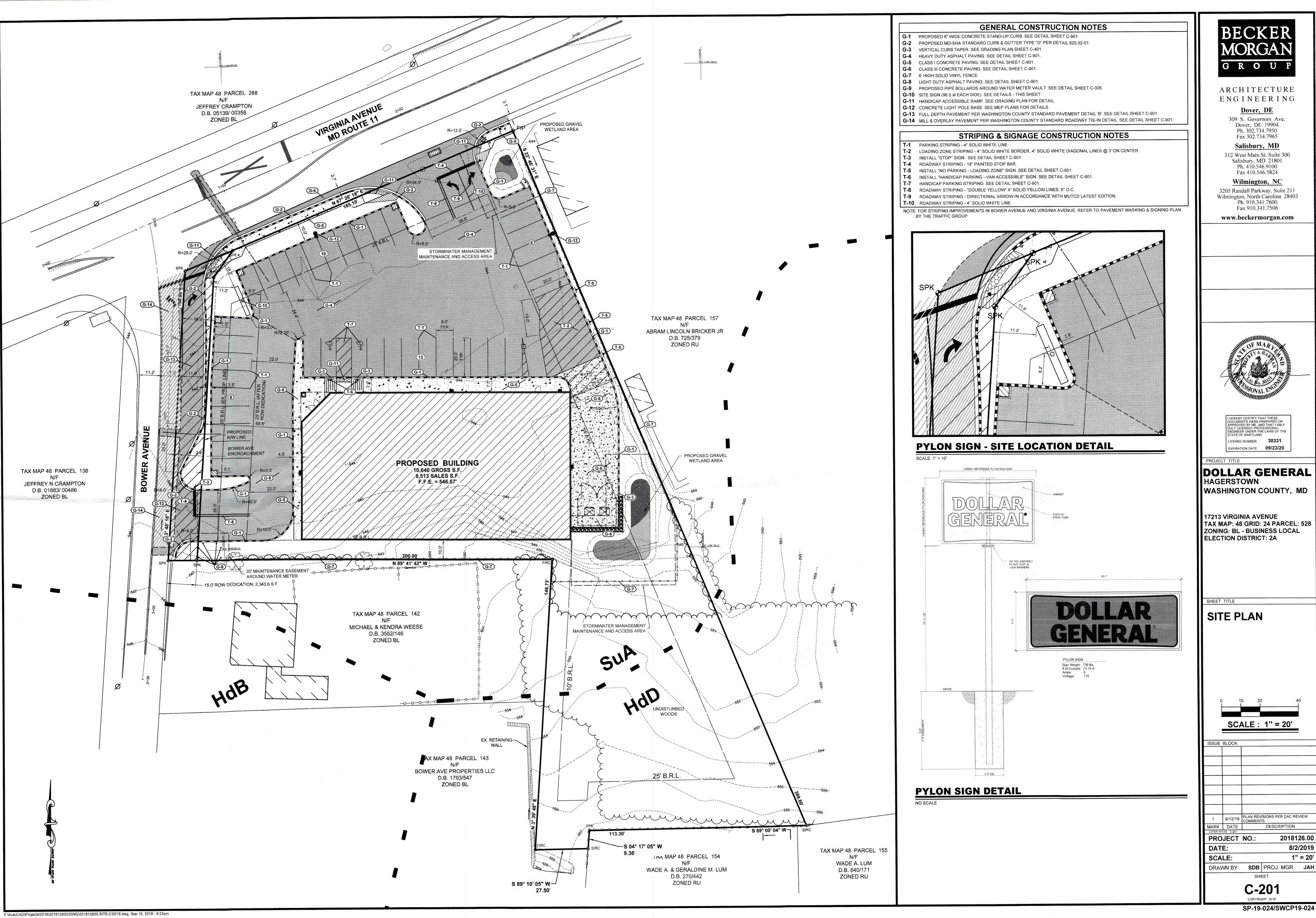
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1" = 20'

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