

Planning Commission Regular Meeting November 15, 2022 7:00 p.m.

- 1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER
- 2. <u>PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE</u>
- 3. ROLL CALL
- 4. <u>APPROVAL OF AGENDA</u>
- 5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

-October 18, 2022 Regular Meeting

6. CORRESPONDENCE / BOARD REPORTS / PRESENTATIONS

- A. Thering updates from Board of Trustees
- B. Buckley updates from ZBA
- C. Shingles updates from Sidewalk and Pathways
- D. Correspondence from Isabella County re: Isabella County Master Plan Public Hearing

7. PUBLIC COMMENT: Restricted to (3) minutes regarding items not on this agenda

8. NEW BUSINESS

- A. PSPR22-19 Prestige Center Assisted Living and Memory Care Expansion Combined Preliminary and Final Site Plan Application
 - a. Introduction by staff
 - b. Updates from the applicant
 - c. Commission review of the site plan
 - d. Commission deliberation and action (approval, denial, approval with conditions, or postpone action)

B. Master Plan Discussion

- a. Introduction of the Redevelopment Ready Communities Program by Staff
- **b.** Commission Discussion

C. Proposal for a Township-Initiated Rezoning

a. Introduction by staff

- b. Questions from the Commissioners
- c. Planning Commission discussion

9. OTHER BUSINESS

A. Zoning Ordinance Amendment – Punch List #2 Introduction

- a. Introduction by staff
- b. Commission review and discussion
- c. Consideration of setting a public hearing date

10. EXTENDED PUBLIC COMMENT: Restricted to (5) minutes regarding any issue

11. FINAL BOARD COMMENT

12. ADJOURNMENT

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF UNION Planning Commission Regular Meeting Minutes

A regular meeting of the Charter Township of Union Planning Commission was held on October 18, 2022, at 7:00 p.m. at the Union Township Hall.

Meeting was called to order at 7:01 p.m.

Roll Call

Present: Buckley, Gross, LaBelle, Lapp, Shingles, Squattrito, Thering and Williams Excused: Albrecht

Others Present

Rodney Nanney, Community and Economic Development Director; Peter Gallinat, Zoning Administrator; Tera Green, Administrative Assistant

Approval of Agenda

Shingles moved Gross supported to approve the agenda as presented. Vote: Ayes: 8. Nays: 0. Motion Carried

Approval of Minutes

LaBelle moved **Williams** supported to approve the regular meeting minutes from September 20, 2022 as presented. **Vote: Ayes: 8. Nays: 0. Motion carried.**

Correspondence / Reports/ Presentations

- A. Board of Trustees updates by Thering gave an updated on the October 12th Board of Trustees meeting ARPA fund discussion and encourage the Commissioners to reach out to the Trustees with their ideas on projects they would like to see.
- B. ZBA updates by Buckley No updates were given.
- C. Sidewalks and Pathway Prioritization Committee by Shingles No updates were given.
- D. Correspondence form Jeremy McDonald re: Sidewalks and Pathways Prioritization Committee Reappointment – Nanney expressed appreciation for Jeremy MacDonald's service to the community as Chair of the Sidewalks and Pathways Prioritization Committee.

Public Comment

Open 7:12 p.m. No comments were offered. Closed 7:13 p.m.

New Business

- A. <u>PSPR22-17 Sam's Club Filling Station Final Site Plan Amendment Application.</u>
 - a. Introduction by staff

- **b.** Updates from the applicant
- c. Commission review of the site plan
- **d.** Commission deliberation and action (approval, denial, approval with conditions or postpone action)

Nanney gave an introduction of the PREZ22-17 Final Site Plan Amendment Application of Sam's Club filling station underground storage tank location, 4850 Encore Drive stating that the amendments comply with the standard requirements. Nanney recommends approval subject to the applicant providing copies of required permits and approvals from the State of Michigan and Township's Public Works Department prior to issuance of a building permit.

Applicant, Dylan Dempsey from Carlson Consulting Engineers was available for questions. Deliberation by the Commissioners.

Gross moved **LaBelle** supported to approve the PSPR 22-17 final site plan amendment from Carlson Consulting Engineers for the construction of a new Sam's Club filling station with a relocated underground fuel storage and refueling area on parcel number 14-026-30-001-07, located on approximately 16.8 acres west and north of Encore Drive in the southwest quarter of Section 26 and in the B-5 (Highway Business) zoning district, finding that the September 20, 2022 amended final site plan can comply with applicable Zoning Ordinance requirements for final site plan approval, including Sections 14.2.P. (Required Site Plan information) and 14.2.S. (Standards for Site Plan Approval), subject to the following condition:

1. The applicant shall provide copies of required permits and approvals from the State of Michigan and the Township's Public Services Department to the Zoning Administrator prior to issuance of a building permit for this project.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Buckley, Gross, LaBelle, Lapp, Shingles, Squattrito, Thering, and Williams. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

B. PSPR22-15 Mid-Michigan College Athletic Field – Final Site Plan Application

- a. Introduction by Staff
- **b.** Updates from the applicant
- c. Commission review of the site plan
- **d.** Commission deliberation and action (approval, denial, approval with conditions, or postpone action)

Nanney introduced the PSPR22-15 Final Site Plan Approval Application dated September 21, 2022 for the Mid-Michigan College Mt. Pleasant Athletic Complex located at 2600 S. Summerton Road. Nanney was pleased to announce that the final site plan satisfies the minimum requirements and all required outside agency permits and approvals have been received. He recommends approval as presented.

Matt Miller, VP Student Services for Mid-Michigan College was available for questions. Deliberation by the Commissioners.

Shingles moved **Lapp** supported to approve the PSPR 22-15 final site plan dated September 21, 2022 for the Mid-Michigan College Mt. Pleasant Athletic Complex located at 2600 Summerton

Road in the southeast quarter of Section 13 and in the B-4 (General Business) zoning district, finding that the site plan fully complies with the applicable Zoning Ordinance requirements for final site plan approval, including Sections 14.2.P. (Required Site Plan Information) and 14.2.S. (Standards for Site Plan Approval). Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Buckley, Gross, LaBelle, Lapp, Shingles, Squattrito, Thering, and Williams. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

- C. Zoning Ordinance Amendment Punch List #2 Introduction
 - a. Updates by Staff
 - **b.** Commission review and discussion
 - c. Consideration of setting a public hearing date

Nanney introduced the PTXT 22-01 set of proposed text amendments to the Zoning Ordinance No 20-06.

Discussion by the Commissioners. It was the consensus of the Commissioners to have further discussion at a later meeting. No action was taken.

Extended Public Comments

Open: 9:16 p.m. No comments were offered. Closed 9:17 p.m.

Final Board Comment

Squattrito – encourage those that are interested in the Sidewalk and Pathways Prioritization Committee to apply.

Adjournment – Chairman Squattrito adjourned the meeting at 9:17 p.m.

APPROVED BY:

(Recorded by Tera Green)

Doug LaBelle – Secretary Tera Albrecht – Vice Secretary

Charter Township

Planning Commissi	on Board Members (9 Me	mbers) 3 year term	
#	F Name	L Name	Expiration Date
1-BOT Representative	James	Thering	11/20/2024
2-Chair	Phil	Squattrito	2/15/2023
3-Vice Chair	Ryan	Buckley	2/15/2025
4-Secretary	Doug	LaBelle II	2/15/2025
5 - Vice Secretary	Tera	Albrecht	2/15/2024
6	Stan	Shingles	2/15/2024
7	Paul	Gross	2/15/2025
8	Jack	Williams	2/15/2023
9	Jessica	Lapp	2/15/2023
Zoning Boar	rd of Appeals Members (!	5 Members, 2 Alternates)	3 year term
#	F Name	L Name	Expiration Date
1- PC Rep	Ryan	Buckley	2/15/2025
2 - Chair	Andy	Theisen	12/31/2022
3 - Vice Chair	Liz	Presnell	12/31/2022
4 -	Breanne	Moeggenberg	12/31/2022
5 -	Brandon	LaBelle	12/31/2022
Alt. #1	vacar	it seat	12/31/2022
Alt. #2	vacar	it seat	2/15/2021
	Board of Review (3 N	1embers) 2 year term	
#	F Name	L Name	Expiration Date
1	Doug	LaBelle II	12/31/2022
2	Sarvjit	Chowdhary	12/31/2022
3	Bryan	Neyer	12/31/2022
Alt #1	Randy	Golden	12/31/2022
Со	nstruction Board of Appe	als (3 Members) 2 year te	rm
#	F Name	L Name	Expiration Date
1	Colin	Herren	12/31/2023
2	Joseph	Schafer	12/31/2023
3	Andy	Theisen	12/31/2023
Hannah's Ba	rk Park Advisory Board (2	Members from Township) 2 year term
1	Mark	Stuhldreher	12/31/2022
2	John	Dinse	12/31/2023
	Chippewa River District L	ibrary Board 4 year term	
1	Ruth	Helwig	12/31/2023
2	Lynn	Laskowsky	12/31/2025



	EDA Board Members (9	Members) 4 year term	
#	F Name	L Name	Expiration Date
1-BOT Representative	Bryan	Mielke	11/20/2024
2	Thomas	Kequom	4/14/2023
3	James	Zalud	4/14/2023
4	Richard	Barz	2/13/2025
5	Robert	Bacon	1/13/2023
6	Marty	Figg	6/22/2026
7	Cheryl	Hunter	6/22/2023
8	Jeff	Sweet	2/13/2025
9	David	Coyne	3/26/2026
	Mid Michigan Area Cable	Consortium (2 Members)	
#	F Name	L Name	Expiration Date
1	Kim	Smith	12/31/2022
2	vacan	t seat	
Cultural and	Recreational Commissio	n (1 seat from Township)	3 year term
#	F Name	L Name	Expiration Date
1	Robert	Sommerville	12/31/2022
Sidewalks and F	Pathways Prioritization Co	mmittee (2 year term -PC	Appointments)
#	F Name	L Name	Expiration Date
1 - BOT Representative	Kimberly	Rice	11/20/2024
2 - PC Representative	Stan	Shingles	2/15/2024
3 - Township Resident	Jeff	Siler	8/15/2023
4 - Township Resident	Jeremy	MacDonald	10/17/2022
5 - Member at large	Phil	Hertzler	8/15/2023
Mid Michigan A	Aquatic Recreational Auth	ority (2 seat from Townsh	iip) 3 year term
#	F Name	L Name	Expiration Date
1-City of Mt. Pleasant	John	Zang	12/31/2023
2-City of Mt. Pleasant	Judith	Wagley	12/31/2022
1-Union Township	Stan	Shingles	12/31/2023
2-Union Township	Allison	Chiodini	12/31/2022
1-Mt. Pleasant Schools	Lisa	Diaz	12/31/2022
1-Member at Large	Mark	Stansberry	2/14/2025
2- Member at Large	Michael	Huenemann	2/14/2025



COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

200 North Main, Mt. Pleasant, MI 48858

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October 24, 2022

UNION TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION 2010 S LINCOLN RD MT PLEASANT, MI 48858

RE: Isabella County Master Plan Public Hearing

To Whom It May Concern:

As Per Michigan Planning Enabling Act requirements, this notice is being sent to advise you that the Isabella County Planning Commission will conduct a public hearing on proposed amendments to the Isabella County Master Plan. The hearing will be held November 10, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. at the Isabella County Building, 200 N. Main Street, Mt. Pleasant, MI 48858. The public is invited to attend and present its comments on the proposed amendments.

A copy of the public hearing notice can be found on the Isabella County website by clicking the below link.

https://www.isabellacounty.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/09/November-Public-Hearing-Notice.pdf

Once again, the Planning Commission appreciates your cooperation in this process and looks forward to receiving any comments that you may have on the proposed amendments. If you have any questions, please contact my office at (989) 317-4067 or by email at rjohnson@isabellacounty.org.

Sincerely,

Ray Johnson Isabella County Planner/Zoning Administrator

Charter Township of Union

APPLICATION FOR SITE PLAN REVIEW

A Completed Appli	Minor Site Plan	Preliminary Sit		Final Site Plance, Section 14.2 (S	
Name of Proposed D	evelopment/Proje	ectN	CAP Mt. Pleasa	Int PropCo, LLC	
		dress (if issued)		E. Broadway Road	
				<u>-</u>	
Applicant's Name(s)		MCAP Mt. F	leasant Propco,	LLC	
Phone/Fax numbers		434-906-2882	Email	wjohnson@mo	apfunds.com
Address	534 E. M	ain Street, Suite B	City	: Charlottesv	illeZip:22902
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Legal Description:	Attached 🗸	Included on Site Plan	Tax Parcel ID	Number(s): 14-0	13-20-043-02 & -08
Existing Zoning: PL	JD Land Acreage	e: 7.22 acres Existing U	se(s):	Assisted Living	Facility
ATTACHED: Lette	r describing the pro	ject and how it conforms to :	Section 14.2.S. (Si	tandards for Site Pla	an Approval)
Firm(s) or		Moore & Bruggink, Inc.			jiong@mbce.com
Individuals(s) who			020 Monroe Ave		·
prepared site plan(s)	City:	Grand Rapids		State:	Zip: <u>49505</u>
	Contact Persor	n:Justi	n Lonstreth	P	hone (616) 299-0654
Legal Owner(s) of	1. Name:	MCAP Mt. Pleasant	PropCo, LLC	Phone:	434-906-2882
Property.		534			
All persons having	City:	Charlottesville		State:VA	Zip: 22902
legal interest in the		7/			
property must sign	Signature:	an	Int	terest in Property: Phone: Y	AGENT OF
this application.	2. Name:	EUN W, Winnes		Phone:	34-963-4917
Attach a separate	Address:	534 EAST MEN 9	I., SUME	8	
sheet if more space	City:	RIONSSWLLE		State: VA	Zip:22902
is needed.	Signature:	ag	Int	terest in Property:	AUGNE OF

I do hereby affirm that all the statements, signatures, descriptions, exhibits submitted on or with this application are true and accurate to the best of my knowledge and that I am authorized to file this application and act on behalf of all the owners of the property. False or inaccurate information placed upon this plan may be cause for revocation of any permits issued pursuant to site plan approval and/or removal of work installed. Approval of this plan shall not constitute the right to violate any provisions of the Zoning Ordinance or other applicable codes and ordinances.

Signature of Applicant

10/20/22 Date

_____ Fee Paid: \$______

Office Use Only

Application Received By:

Escrow Deposit Paid: \$_____

Revised: 9/14/2020

Date Received:

PRESTIGE CENTRE COMBINED PRELIMINARY/FINAL SITE PLAN NARRATIVE

The proposed project includes construction of a new building addition to the existing Prestige Centre assisted living facility. The new addition will increase the total assisted living unit count to 64 while providing a total of 76 beds.

The project also includes expansion of the existing parking area to provide sufficient parking for the increased unit count. In addition, storm water management for the entire site will be brought into compliance including construction of a storm sewer system and a storm water detention basin to manage the storm water runoff.

The project is providing improved pedestrian paths throughout the site with connections to a new sidewalk along E. Broadway Road. The improved pedestrian system will provide increased opportunities for residents of the Prestige Centre to enjoy the outdoor experience.

All outdoor open space areas will be maintained by the owner, MCAP Mt. Pleasant Propco LLC. This includes snow removal in the winter and lawn and landscape maintenance.

PERMIT INFORMATION CHECKLIST FOR FINAL SITE PLANS

Michigan.gov/EGLEpermits

The Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy (EGLE) has prepared a list of key questions to help identify what EGLE permits, licenses, or approvals of a permit-like nature may be needed. By contacting the appropriate offices indicated, you will help reduce the possibility that your project or activity will be delayed due to the untimely discovery of additional permitting requirements later in the construction process. While this list covers the existence of permits and approvals required from EGLE, it is not a comprehensive list of all legal responsibilities. A useful way to learn whether other requirements will apply is to go through the Self-Environmental Assessment in the Michigan Guide to Environmental, Health, and Safety Regulations, online at: <u>Michigan.gov/EHSquide</u>. Please call the Environmental Assistance Center at 800-662-9278 to talk with any of the EGLE programs noted below. [insertions and edits by Union Township]

Ho	ow Do I Know that I Need a State of Michigan, County or Local Permit or Approval?	Yes	No
1)	Will your business involve the installation or construction of any process equipment that has the potential to emit air contaminants (e.g. dry sand blasting, boilers, standby generators)? Air Quality Permit to Install, Air Quality Division (AQD), <u>Permit Section</u>	Y	NX
2)	Does the project involve renovating or demolishing all or portions of a building? Notification is required for asbestos removal and required for all demolitions even if the structure never contained asbestos. Asbestos Notification, AQD, <u>Asbestos Program</u> , 517-284-6777	Y	NX
3)	Please consult the <u>Permitting at the Land and Water Interface Decision Tree document</u> to evaluate whether your project needs a land and water management permit (i.e., Does the project involve filling, dredging, placement of structures, draining, or use of a wetland?). Land and Water Featured Programs (Water Resources Division - WRD) - <u>Joint Permit Application</u> , 517-284-5567:		
[a. Does the project involve construction of a building or septic system in a designated Great Lakes high risk erosion area? b. Does the project involve design fill 	Y	NX
	b. Does the project involve dredging, filling, grading, or other alteration of the soil, vegetation, or natural drainage, or placement of permanent structures in a designated environmental area?	۲D	NX
	 c. Does the project propose any development, construction, silvicultural activities or contour alterations within a designated critical dune area? d. Does the project involve construction of a demonstruction much set of a demonstruction. 	۲D	NX
	d. Does the project involve construction of a dam, weir or other structure to impound flow?	Y	NX
4)	Does the project involve an earth change activity (including land balancing, demolition involving soil movement, and construction) or does the project involve construction which will disturb one or more acres that come into contact with storm water that enters a storm sewer, drain, lake, stream, or other surface water? Union Township and Isabella County	y X	N
5)	Does the project involve the construction or alteration of a water supply system system? Union Township Public Services Department and <u>Drinking Water & Environmental</u> Health <u>Division</u> (DWEHD), 517-284-6524	X	N 🗌
6)	Does the project involve construction or alteration of any sewage collection or treatment facility? Union Township Public Services Department and <u>WRD, Part 41 Construction</u> <u>Permit Program (staff)</u> , 906-228-4527, or <u>EGLE District Office</u>	Y	N X (
7)	Public Swimming Pool Construction (Spas/Hot Tubs) Permits: Will your business involve the construction or modification of a public swimming pool, spa or hot tub? Union Township and <u>Public Swimming Pool Program</u> , 517-284-6541, or <u>EGLE District Office</u>	Y	NX
8)	Does the project involve the construction or modification of a campground? Union Township and DWEHD, Campgrounds program, 517-284-6529	Y	NK I

9) Does the project involve construction of a facility that landfills, transfers, or processes of type of solid non-hazardous waste on-site, or places industrial residuals/sludge into or on the ground? Materials Management Division (MMD), <u>Solid Waste</u> , 517-284-6588, or <u>EGLE Dis</u> <u>Office</u>	to	Y	NX
 Does the project involve the construction of an on-site treatment, storage, or disposal fac for hazardous waste? MMD, Hazardous Waste Section, <u>Treatment, Storage and Disposal</u>, 517-284-6562 	ility	Y	NX
Who Regulates My Drinking (Potable) Water Supply?			
11) I am buying water from the municipal water supply system Contact the Union Township Public Services Dept.		X	N
12) I have a Non-Community Water Supply (Type II) <u>Guide</u> , <u>Contact (District or County) Local</u> <u>Health Department</u> , 517-485-0660		Y	NX
13) I am a community water supply (Type I) <u>Community Water Supply, DWEHD District Office</u> <u>Community Water Supply Program</u> , 517-284-6512		Y	NK NK
14) Do you desire to develop a <u>withdrawal of over 2,000,000 gallons of water per day</u> from ar source including groundwater, inland surface water, or the Great Lakes and their connect waterways? WRD, Great Lakes Shorelands Unit, Water Use Program, 517-284-5563	ing	Y	NM N
Who Regulates My Wastewater Discharge System?			
15) NPDES: Does the project involve the discharge of any type of wastewater to a storm sewe drain, lake, stream, or other surface water? WRD, <u>EGLE District Office</u> , or <u>National Polluta</u> <u>Discharge Elimination (NPDES) Permit Program</u> , 517-284-5568	er, nt	Y	NX
16) Does the facility have industrial activity that comes into contact with storm water that ent storm sewer, drain, lake, stream, or other surface water? WRD, <u>Permits Section</u> , or <u>EGLE</u> <u>District Office</u> , 517-284-5588		Y	NX
17) Does the project involve the discharge of wastewaters into or onto the ground (e.g. subsu disposal or irrigation)? WRD, <u>Groundwater Permits Program</u> , 517-290-2570	rface	Y	NZ
18) Does the project involve the drilling or deepening of wells for waste disposal? <u>Oil, Gas and Minerals Division</u> (OGMD), 517-284-6841	<u>1</u>	Y	NX
What Operational Permits Are Relevant to My Operation and Air Emissions?			
19) Renewable Operating Permit: Does your facility have the potential to emit any of the following: 100 tons per year or more of any criteria pollutant; 10 tons per year or more of hazardous air pollutant; or 25 tons per year or more of any combination of hazardous air pollutants? AQD, <u>Permit Section</u> , 517-284-6634	any	Y	NX
20) Does your facility have an electric generating unit that sells electricity to the grid and burn fossil fuel? AQD, <u>Acid Rain Permit Program</u> , 517-780-7843	sa	Y	NX
What Operational Permits Are Relevant to My Waste Management?			
21) Does the project involve landfilling, transferring, or processing of any type of solid non- hazardous waste on-site, or placing industrial residuals/sludge into or onto the ground? <u>N</u> 517-284-6588 or <u>EGLE District Office</u>	<u>1MD</u> ,	Y	NX
22) Does the project involve the on-site treatment, storage, or disposal of hazardous waste? MMD, <u>Hazardous and Liquid Waste</u> , 517-284-6562		Y	NX
23) Does the project require a site identification number (EPA number) for regulated waste activities (used oil, liquid waste, hazardous waste, universal waste, PCBs)? (<u>Hazardous Was Program Forms & License Applications</u>) MMD, <u>EGLE District Office</u> , 517-284-6562	<u>ste</u>	Y[]	Жи

24) Does the project involve the receipt, possession, manufacture, use, storage, transport, transfer, release, or disposal of radioactive material in any form? MMD, <u>Radioactive Material</u> and <u>Standards Unit</u> , 517-284-6581	۲D	NX
25) Does the project involve decommissioning or decontamination of tanks, piping, and/or appurtenances that may have radioactive levels above background? MMD <u>Radioactive Material and Standards Unit</u> , 517-284-6581	Y	NIK
26) Does the project involve the generation of medical waste or a facility that treats medical waste prior to its disposal? MMD, <u>Medical Waste Regulatory Program</u> , 517-284-6594	Y	NX
What Sector-Specific Permits May be Relevant to My Business?		
Transporters	YD	NX
27) Does the project involve the <i>transport</i> of some other facility's non-hazardous liquid waste? MMD, <u>Transporter Program</u> , 517-284-6562		
28) Does the project involve the <i>transport</i> of hazardous waste? MMD, <u>Transporter Program</u> , 517-284-6562	Y 🗆	NA
29) Do you engage in the business of transporting bulk water for drinking or household purposes (except for your own household use)? DWEHD, <u>Water Hauler Information</u> , 517-284-6527	Y	NX
30) Does the project involve <i>transport</i> of septic tank, cesspool, or dry well contents or the discharge of septage or sewage sludge into or onto the ground? DWEHD, <u>Septage Program</u> , 517-284-6535	Y	Ň
31) Do you store, haul, shred or process scrap tires? MMD, Scrap Tire Program, 517-284-6586	Y	NX
Sectors		
32) Is the project a <i>dry cleaning</i> establishment utilizing perchloroethylene or a flammable solvent in the cleaning process? AQD, <u>Dry Cleaning Program</u> , 517-284-6780	۲D	NX
33) Does your <i>laboratory</i> test potable water as required for compliance and monitoring purposes of the Safe Drinking Water Act? <u>Laboratory Services Certifications</u> , 517-284-5424	Y	. Tot
34) Does the project involve the operation of a public swimming pool? DWEHD, Public Swimming	Y	NX X
Pools Program, 517-284-6529	i	
35) Does the project involve the operation of a <i>campground</i> ? Union Township and DWEHD, <u>Campgrounds</u> , 517-284-6529	۲🗆	NX
What Permits Do I Need to Add Chemicals to Lakes and Streams?		
36) Are you applying a chemical treatment for the purpose of aquatic nuisance control (pesticide/herbicide etc.) in a water body (i.e. lake, pond or river)? WRD, <u>Aquatic Nuisance</u> <u>Control</u> , 517-284-5593	Y	NE
37) Are you applying materials to a water body for a water resource management project (i.e. mosquito control treatments, dye testing, or fish reclamation projects)? WRD, <u>Surface Water</u> <u>Assessment Section</u> , 517-331-5228	Y	NX

Why would I be subject to Oil, Gas and Mineral Permitting?		
38) Do you want to operate a central production facility (applies to oil and gas production facilities where products of diverse ownership are commingled)? OGMD, <u>Petroleum Geology and</u> <u>Production Unit</u> , 517-284-6826	Y	NX
39) Does the project involve the removal of sand from a sand dune area within two (2) miles of a Great Lakes shoreline? OGMD, Minerals and Mapping Unit, <u>Sand Dune Mining Program</u> , 517-284-6826	Y	NX
40) Does the project involve decommissioning or decontamination of tanks, piping, and/or appurtenances that may have radioactive levels above background? MMD, <u>Radioactive</u> <u>Protection Programs</u> , 517-284-6581	Y	NX
Petroleum & Mining, OGMD, 517-284-6826		
41) Does the project involve the diversion and control of water for the mining and processing of low-grade iron ore?	۲D	NX
42) Does the project involve the surface or open-pit mining of metallic mineral deposits?	Υ□	
43) Does the project involve the mining of nonferrous mineral deposits at the surface or in underground mines?	۲	N N N
44) Does the project involve mining coal?	Y🗆	"MOL
45) Does the project involve changing the status or plugging of a mineral well?	Υ□	NX
46) Does the project involve the drilling or deepening of wells for brine production, solution mining, storage, or as test wells?	Y 🗌	N

Contact Union Township and EGLE Permits & Bonding, OGMD, 517-284-6841



<u>Required</u> Agency Contact Information

Mt. Pleasant Fire Department

Lt. Brad Doepker 804 E. High St. Mt. Pleasant, MI 48858 Office: 989-779-5122 Cell Phone: 989-506-1442. Email: <u>bdoepker@mt-pleasant.org</u>

<u>Isabella County Drain Office – Stormwater</u> Management

Timothy A. Warner, Project Manager Rm 140, 200 N. Main Street Mt. Pleasant, MI 48858 Ph# (989) 772-0911, ext. 222 Fax# (989) 779-8785 Email: <u>twarner@isabellacounty.org</u>

<u>Charter Township of Union Department of</u> <u>Public Services</u>

Kim Smith, Public Works Department Director 5228 South Isabella Road Mt. Pleasant, MI 48858 Phone (989) 772-4600 ext. 224 Fax (989) 773-1988 <u>ksmith@uniontownshipmi.com</u>

Isabella County Road Commission

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Isabella County Transportation Commission

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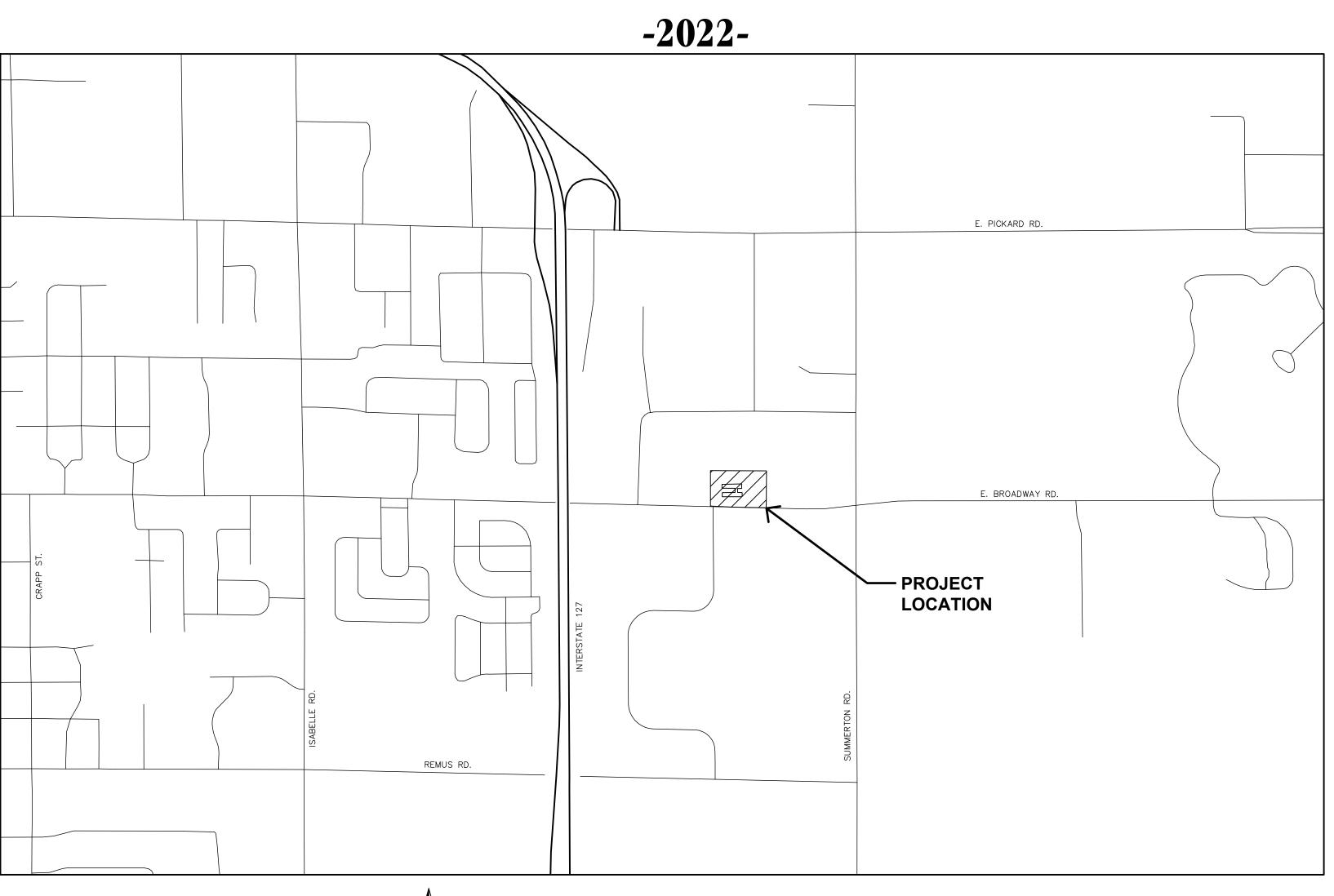
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PROJECT LOCATION MAP

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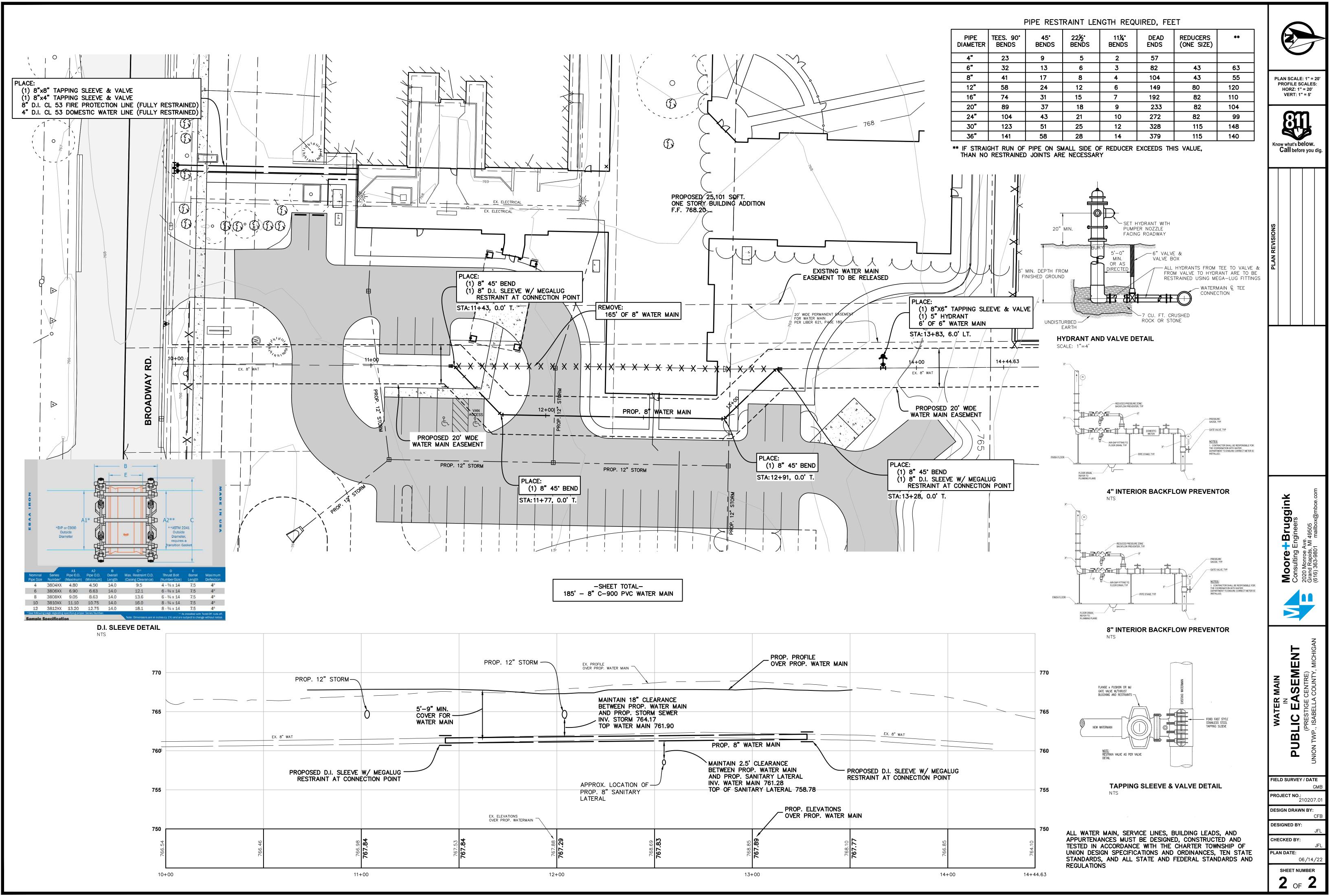
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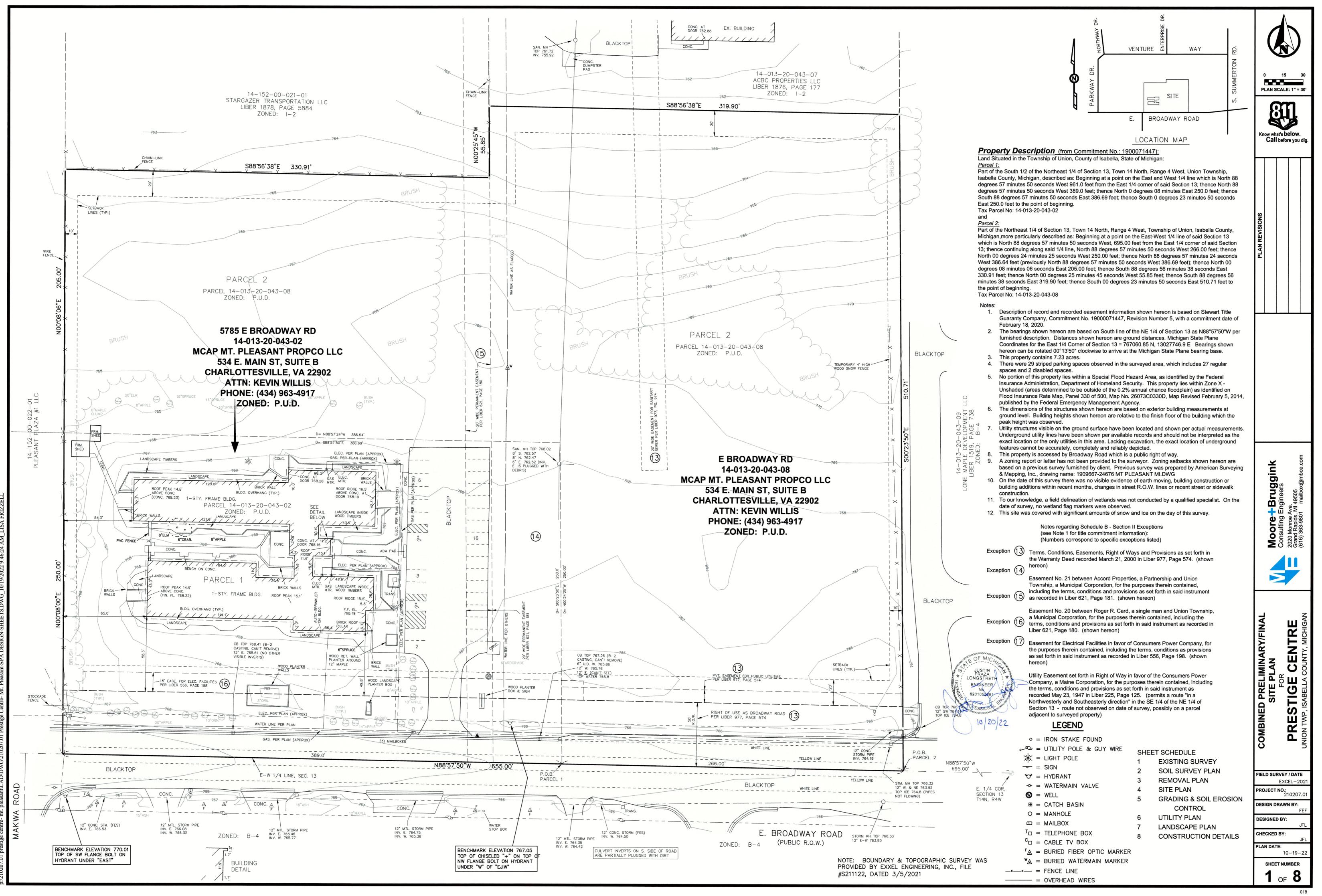
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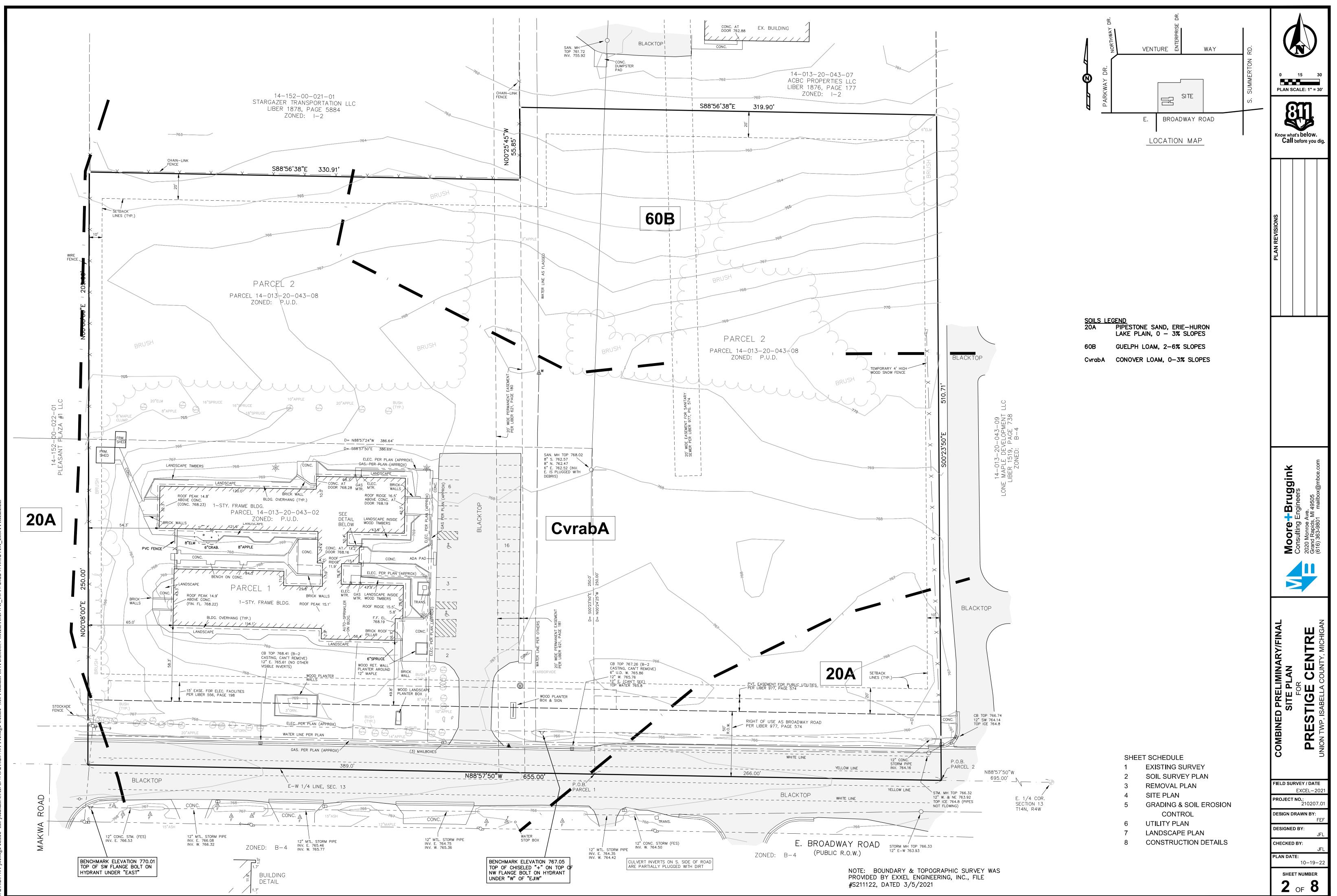
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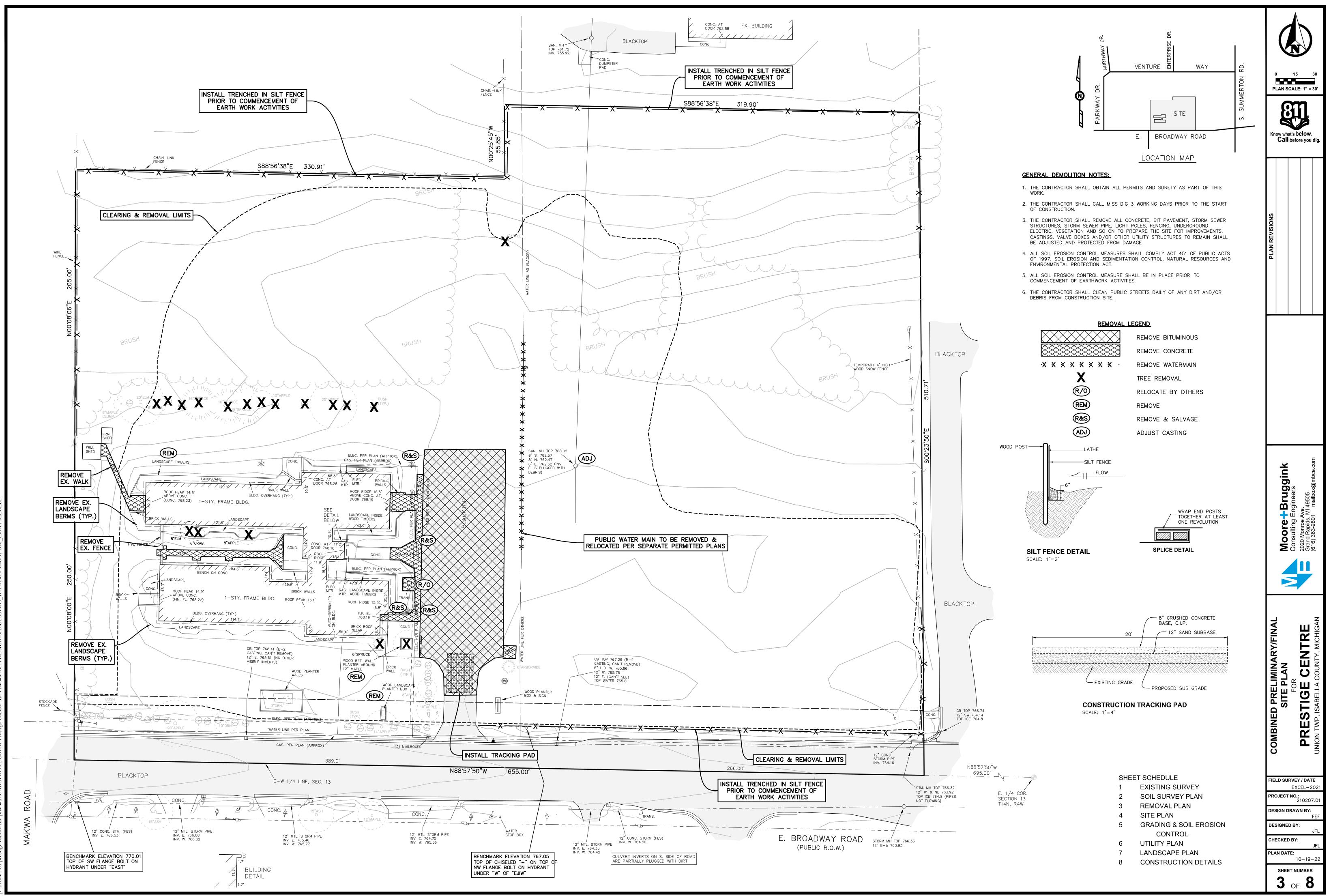
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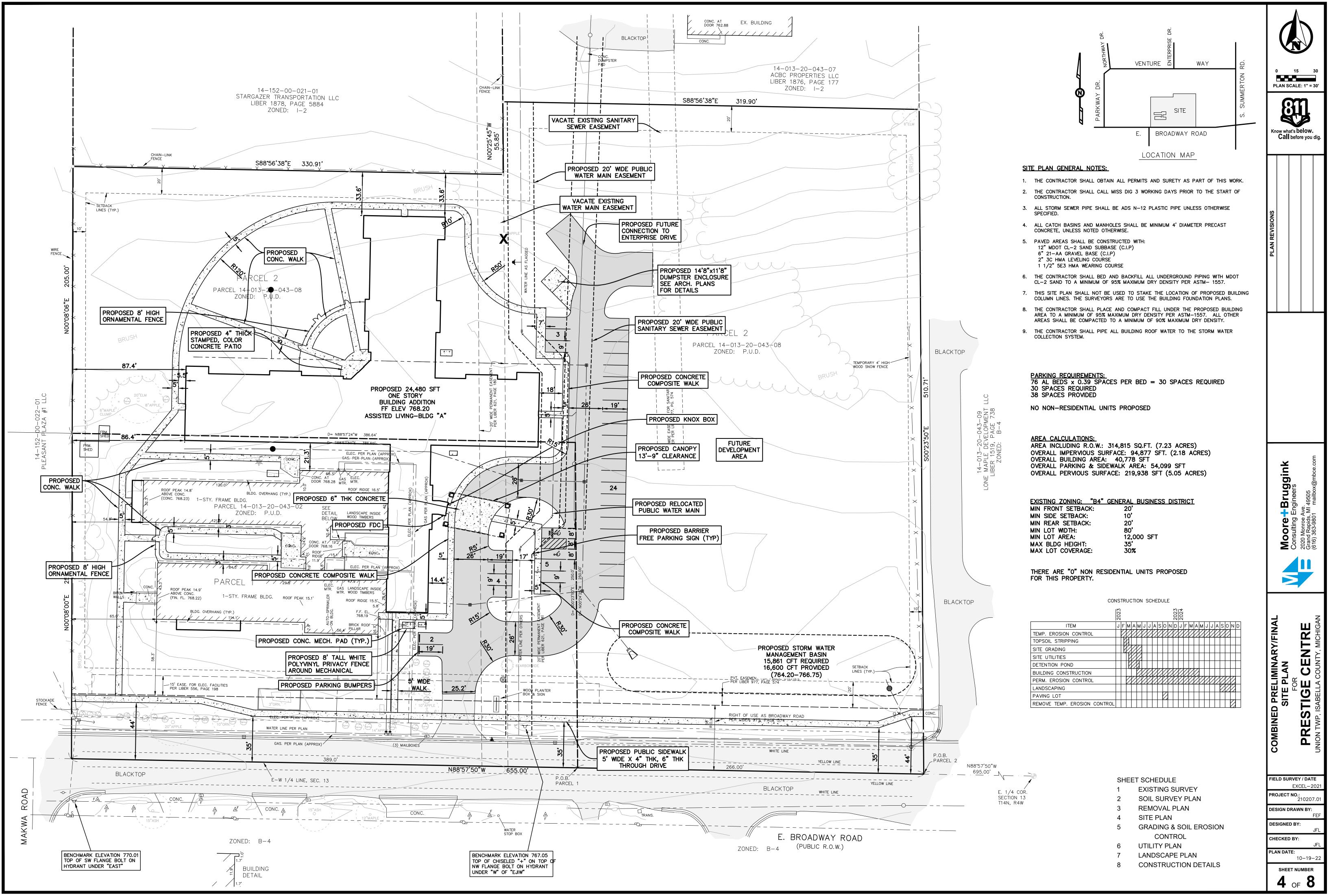
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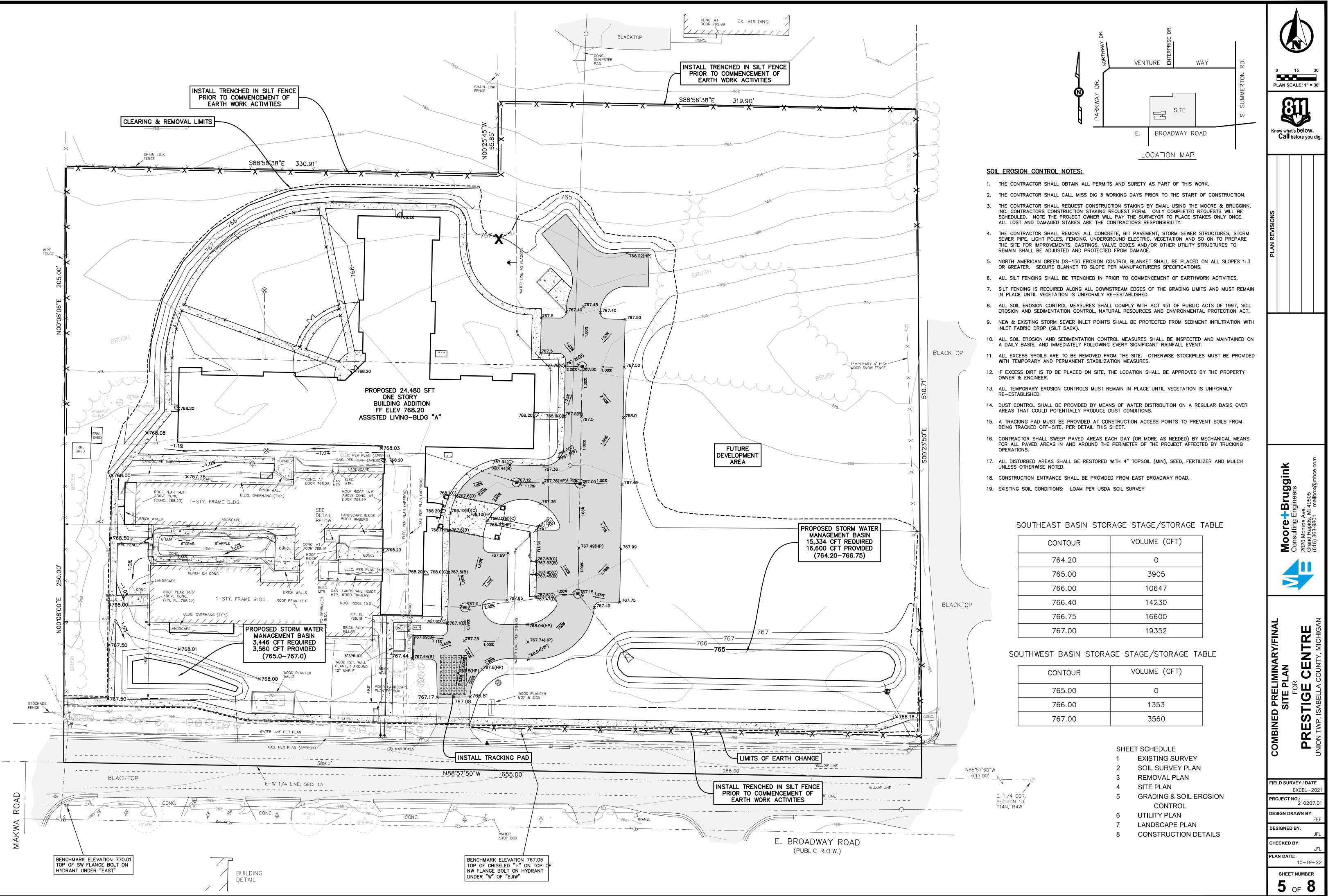


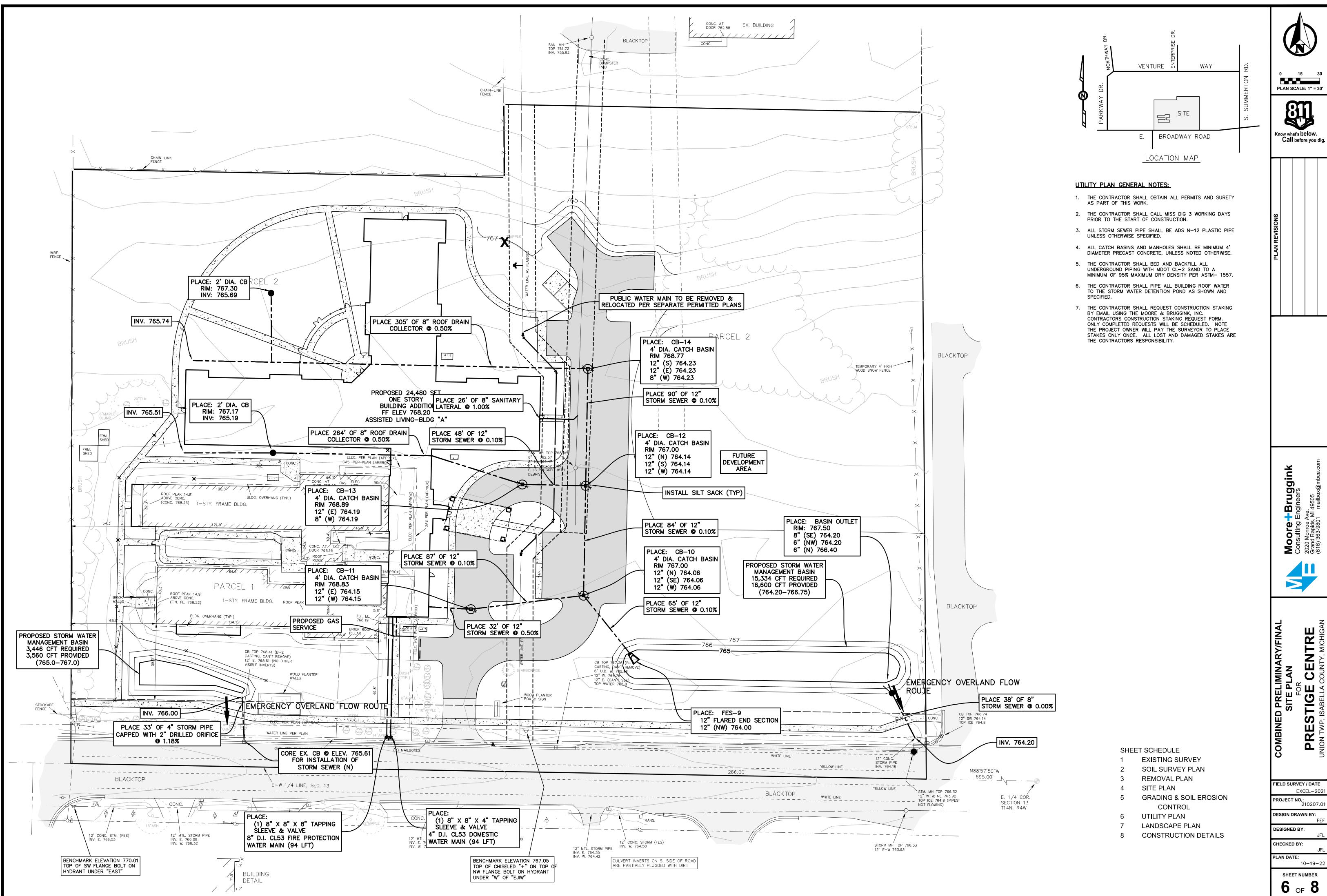
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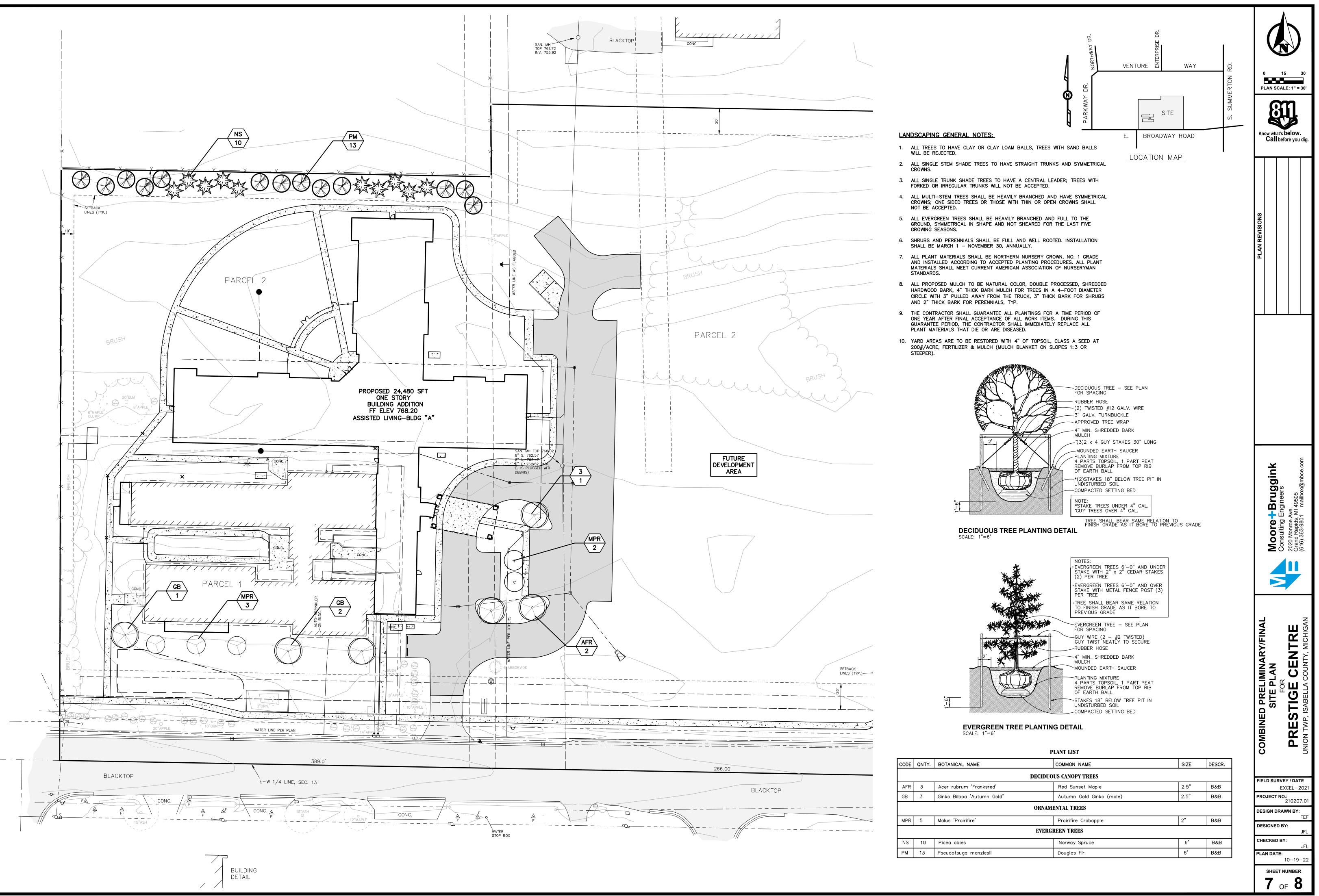
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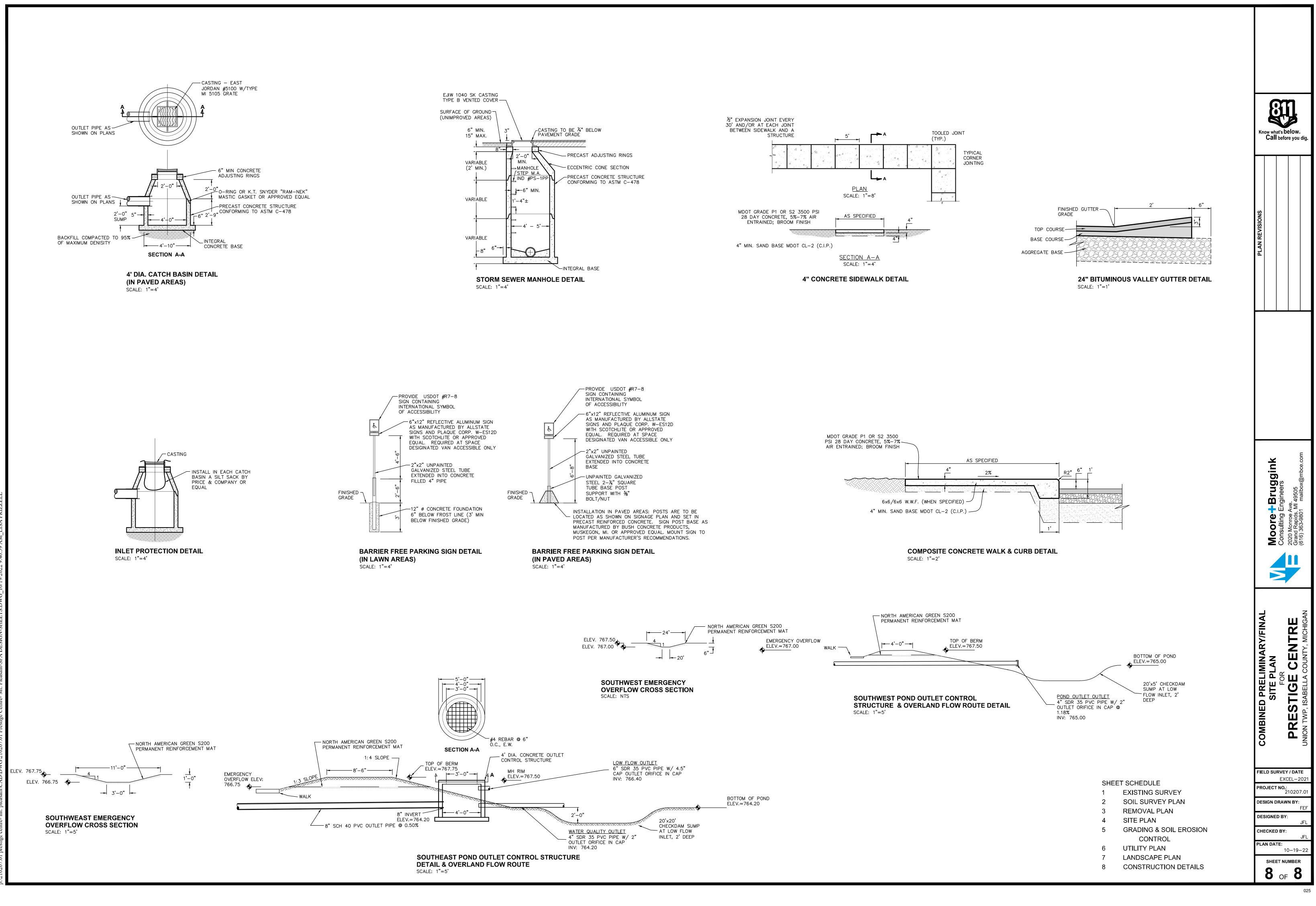


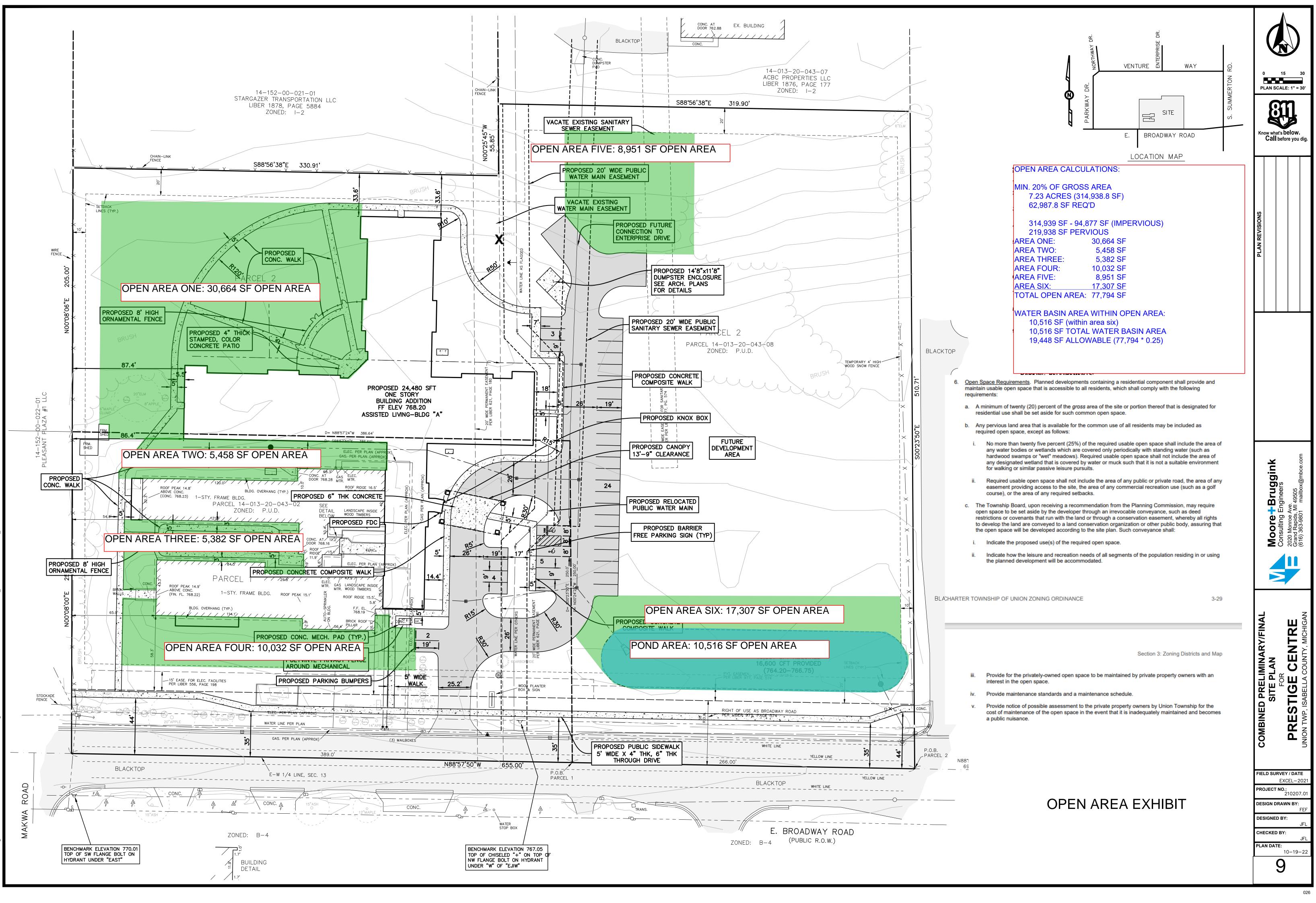


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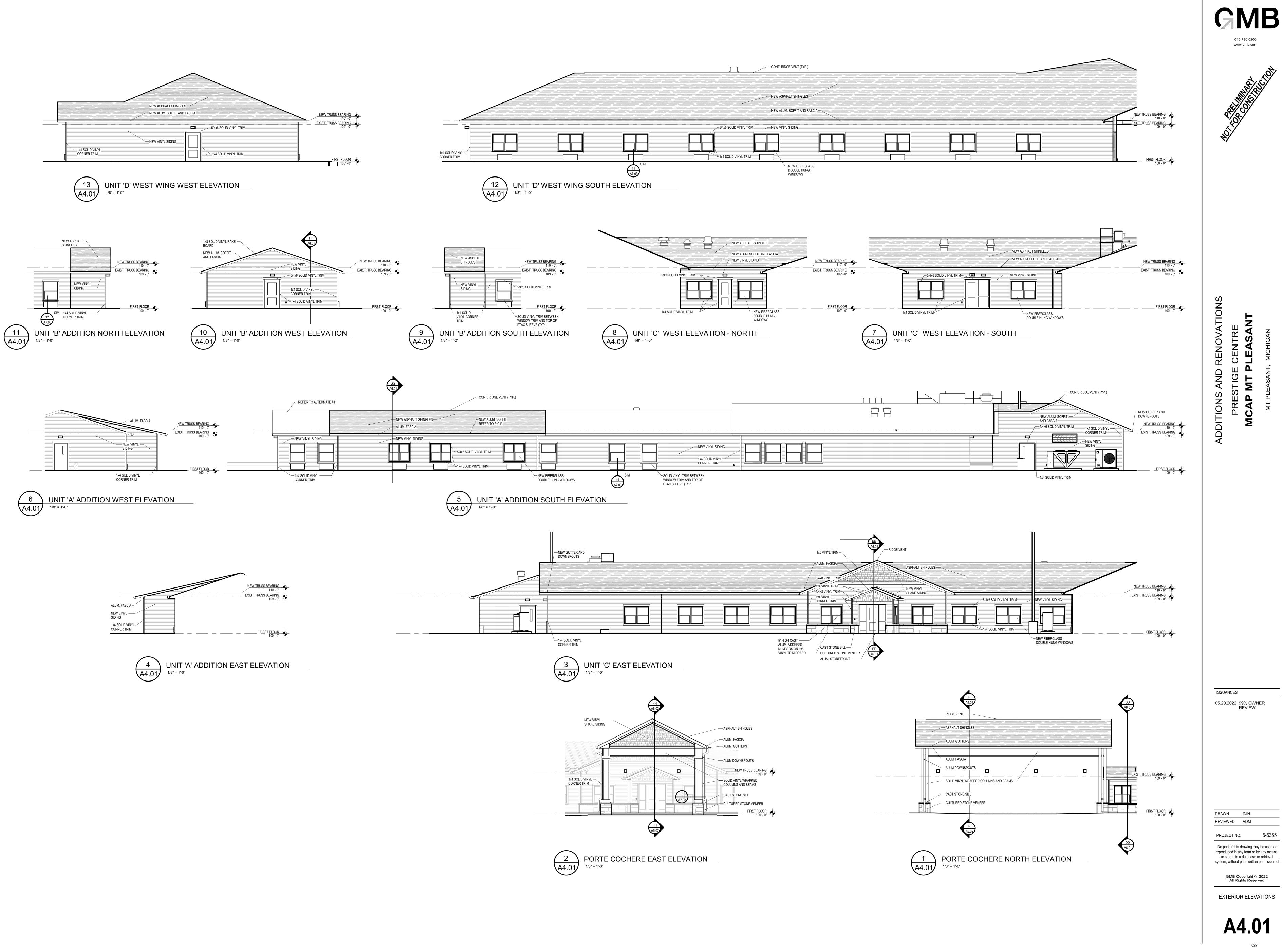
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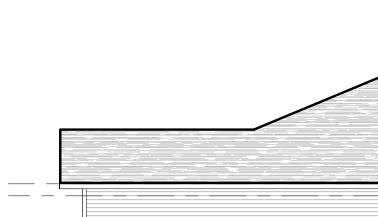


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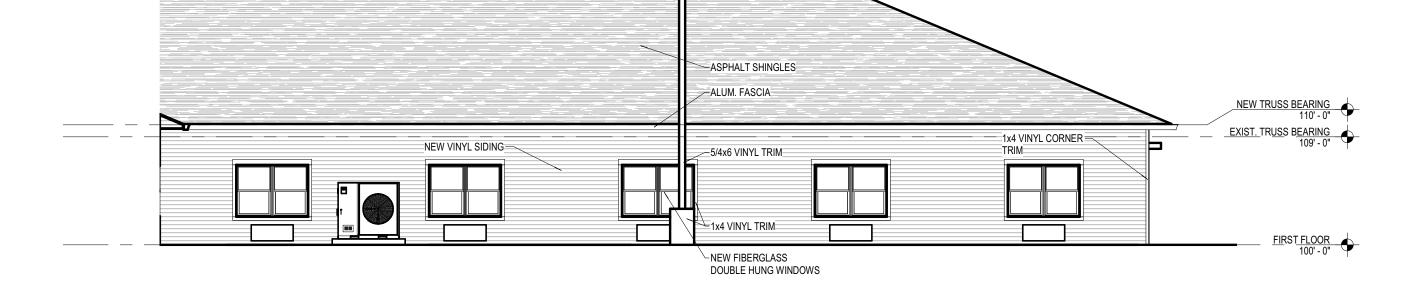


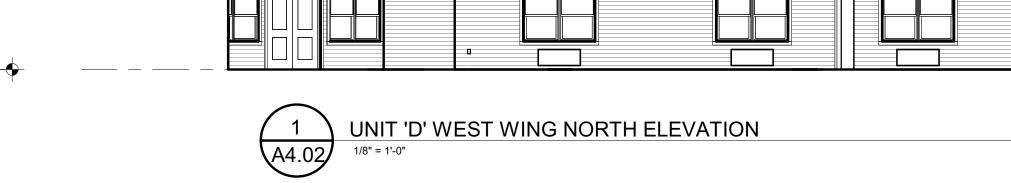


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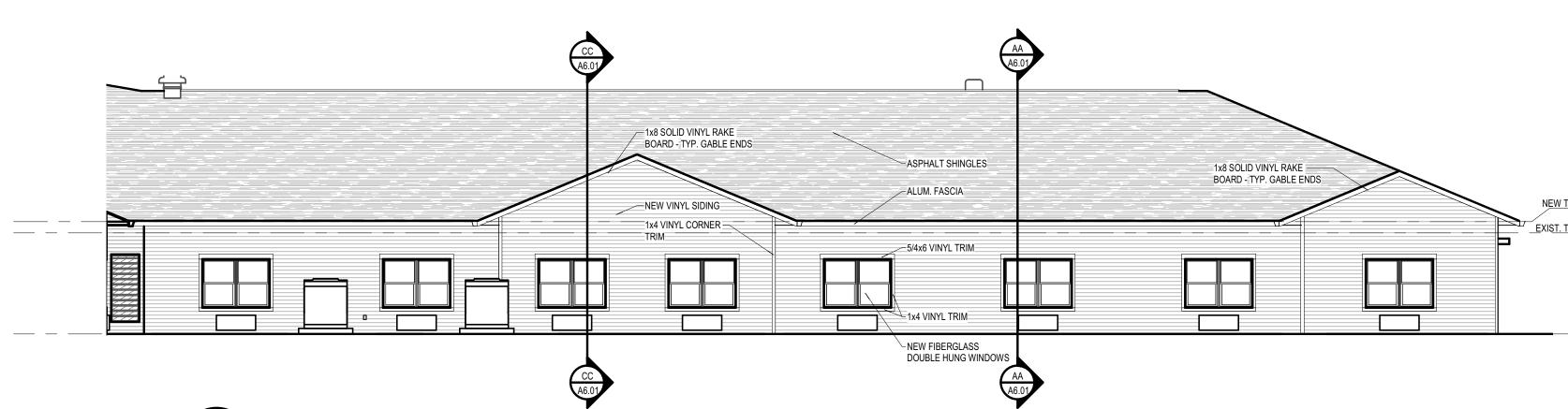
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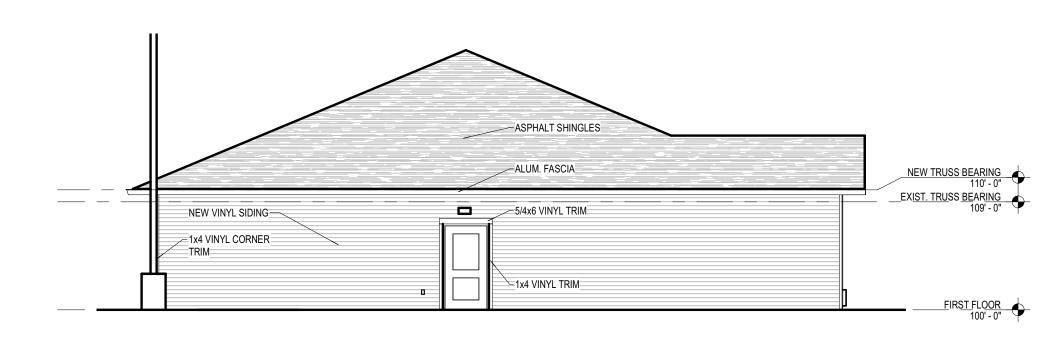
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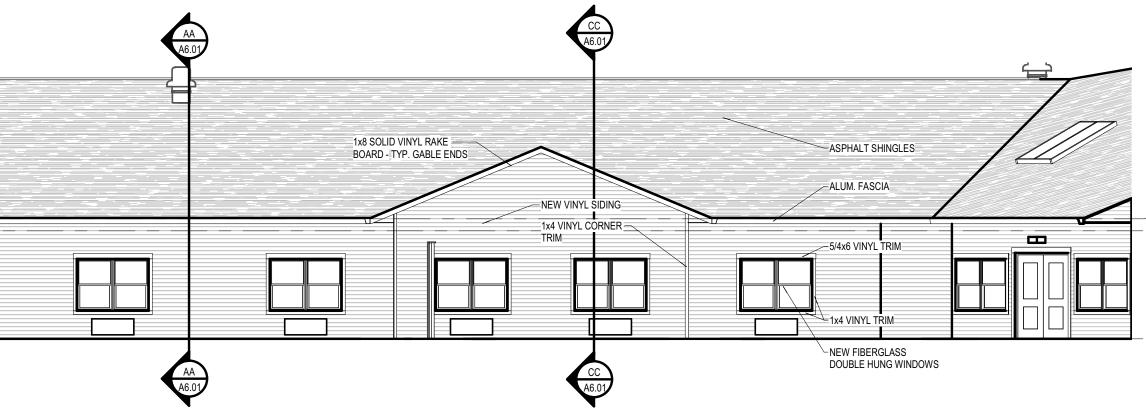




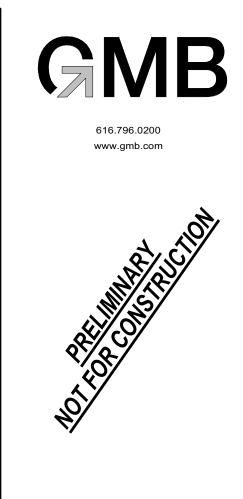
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Community and Economic Development Department



COMBINED PRELIMINARY - FINAL SITE PLAN REPORT

TO: **Planning Commission** DATE: November 4, 2022 FROM: Peter Gallinat, Zoning Administrator ZONING: PUD, Planned Unit Development **PROJECT:** PSPR22-19 Combined Preliminary - Final Site Plan Application – Prestige Centre 5785 E. Broadway Road, PID 14-013-20-043-02 & -043-08 PARCEL(S): MCAP MT PLEASANT PROPCO LLC (Prestige Centre) OWNER(S): Approximately 7.23 acres on the north side of E. Broadway Rd. in the NE ¼ of Section 13 LOCATION: **EXISTING USE:** Assisted Living Facility ADJACENT ZONING: B-4, I-2 FUTURE LAND USE DESIGNATION: Commercial/Light Industrial. This district is intended for a blend of medium intensity commercial and small-scale light industrial uses. Light industrial uses include but are not limited to small-scale manufacturing, laboratories, R&D (research and development) firms, information technology firms, or other businesses that might be found in a technology park.

ACTION: To review the PSPR22-19 combined preliminary and final site plan dated October 19, 2022 for the Prestige Centre Assisted Living and Memory Care Expansion located at 5785 E. Broadway Road in the NE 1/4 of Section 13 and in the PUD (Planned Unit Development) District.

Site Plan Approval Process

Per Section 14.2.C. of the Zoning Ordinance, both preliminary site plan approval and final site plan approval are required for this project. Per Section 14.2.J., approval of a preliminary site plan by the Planning Commission "shall indicate its general acceptance of the proposed layout of buildings, streets, drives, parking areas, and other facilities and areas." Planning Commission approval of a final site plan "constitutes the final zoning approval for the project and allows for issuance of a building permit to begin site work or construction, provided all other construction and engineering requirements have been met" (Section 14.2.L.). Documentation of applicable outside agency permits and approvals will be required as part of a final site plan application.

Background Information

In June of 2022, the Township Board of Trustees took action in accordance with the Planning Commission's recommendation to rezone parcels 14-013-20-043-02 and -043-08 at 5785 E. Broadway Road from B-4 (General Business) District to the PUD (Planned Unit Development) District, and to approve the associated PUD Concept Plan for the expanded Prestige Centre Assisted Living and Memory Care Expansion. The applicant has decided to pursue a combined preliminary and final site plan review application, as allowed per Section 14.2.M. of the Zoning Ordinance. The scope of proposed uses and overall layout of the proposed development on the site plan are consistent with the approved PUD Concept Plan.

Land Combination Required.

The two (2) separate parcels need to be combined into one singular parcel. This was a condition of the Planning Commission's approval of the rezoning from B-4 to PUD.

Combined Preliminary - Final Site Plan Review Comments

The following comments are based on the standards for the preliminary site plan and final site plan approvals, and the specific elements of the proposed site plan:

- 1. Section 14.2.P. (Required Site Plan Information). The site plan substantially conforms to the minimum Section 14.2.P. information requirements for a preliminary site plan. However, as noted elsewhere in this report, significant details are missing from the site plan and clarifications to the information provided on the site plan are needed to verify compliance with applicable Zoning Ordinance requirements of Final site plan. <u>The site plan as presented does not fully conform to the requirements for a final site plan</u>.
- Section 8 (Environmental Performance Standards). The hazardous substance reporting form and EGLE permit checklist form are included in the application materials. CONFORMS
- 3. Section 9 (Off-Street Parking, Loading Requirements). Proposed parking includes 38 spaces. This is eight (8) more than the minimum 30 required. The formula is 0.39 spaces per bed. The parking stalls are of sufficient size at 19 feet long and 9 feet wide. Barrier free parking meets applicable dimensional requirements. The drive aisle where labeled exceeds the minimum of 24 feet. However, the drive aisle width is not labeled between the barrier free parking and the parking to the east, where it appears to be narrower. A proposed 6-inch thick concrete pad shown on sheet 4 is presumed to provide a loading area, but it is not delineated on the plan as required. Bicycle parking facilities are also missing. The following details will need to be addressed on a revised final site plan:
 - □ Identify the drive aisle width near the barrier free parking.
 - Provide bicycle parking improvements at one or more locations convenient for employees and visitors and provide details of the proposed bicycle parking facilities. These can be covered or enclosed if preferred. Section 9.1C.5 requires the bicycle parking to be at least three (3) feet from building walls and drive aisles.
 - □ Identify a designated loading area, which must be at least 10 feet in width, 50 feet in length and have a 15-foot-high clearance. If an alternative loading area configuration is proposed per Section 9.5.B.2., then document the plan why the delineated loading area dimensions are sufficient for the type of loading activity at this facility.
- 4. Section 7.10 (Sidewalks and Pathways). The applicant has proposed to provide a 5-footwide sidewalk along E. Broadway Road as well as an interconnected sidewalk through the entire site that connects to the sidewalk on E. Broadway. CONFORMS

- 5. Section7.14 (Trash Removal and Collection). A Dumpster enclosure is identified on sheet 4 with a note "See Arch. Plans for Details." However, the required details are missing. The following details will need to be addressed on a revised final site plan:
 - Demonstrate on the site plan with notes addressing if and how recycling will be included with trash collection.
 - Add details of dumpster enclosure to confirm compliance with section 7.14.
- Section 10 (Landscaping and Screening). Required open space areas are shown on sheet 6. 9 consistent with Zoning Ordinance standards and the approved PUD Concept plan. It is presumed that the area near the entrance canopy and barrier free parking will be a grassed parking lot island that could meet the 30 square feet requirement of section 10.1.F. If so, it needs to me labeled as such.

The existing site already contains a great deal of plant life located primarily along E. Broadway Road. This is indicated on sheet 7 as apple, maple, elm, and ornamental trees. There are bushes as well. In addition, the applicant has provided 6 new deciduous trees, 5 ornamental trees, and 23 evergreen trees. However, when the two parcels are combined as they need to be, it will create 655 lineal feet of road frontage. Subtracting the approximately 25 feet of driveway width the applicant would need to install a minimum of 16 deciduous trees, 7 ornamental trees, and 128 shrubs.

With the presence of what is already on-site Township staff would recommend the applicant to propose an alternative landscaping design per Section 10.7 that takes into account existing trees to remain (which must be identified on the plan) as part of fulfilling the landscaping requirements for the entire road frontage. Otherwise, the plan must be modified to show the additional trees and shrubs as required. The following details will need to be addressed by the applicant on a revised plan:

- Revise plan to demonstrate 16 deciduous trees, 7 ornamental trees and 128 shrubs or propose an alternative landscaping design that addresses the requirements of Section 10.7.
- Label and demonstrate with dimensions that the 30 square feet of parking lot landscaping required per Section 10.1.F. has been provided for the area near the entrance canopy and barrier free parking.
- 7. Section 8.2 (Exterior Lighting). Exterior lighting details, including locations of all existing and proposed fixtures, manufacturer's specifications and details (include photos or drawings of each fixture type), and a photometric plan) required for final site plan approval are missing from the site plan set. All proposed fixtures, including lighting under the canopy, must conform to Section 8.2 standards. The following details will need to be addressed on a revised final site plan:
 - Add an exterior lighting plan sheet, including locations of all existing and proposed fixtures both in plan view and on the building elevations.
 - Add a photometric plan.

- □ Include manufacturer's specifications sheets and details (include photos or drawings of each fixture type) on the plan.
- 8. **Outside agency approvals.** At this time, the Township has received approvals for the project from the Township Public Services Department, Isabella County Transportation Commission, Isabella County Road Commission, Isabella County Drain Office and Mt. Pleasant Fire Department, as required. **CONFORMS**

Objective

The Planning Commission shall review the application materials and site plan, together with any reports and recommendations. The Planning Commission shall identify and evaluate all relevant factors and shall then take action by motion to approve the site plan, to approve the site plan with conditions, to deny the site plan application, or to postpone further consideration of the site plan to a date certain in accordance with Section 14.2.H. of the Zoning Ordinance.

Key Findings

- 1. The site plan substantially conforms to the minimum Section 14.2.P. information requirements for a preliminary site plan, but does not conform to all applicable final site plan information requirements.
- 2. Approvals from all outside agencies have been received.
- 3. For the site plan to be ready for final site plan approval, revisions and additional details are also needed for bicycle parking, drive aisle, dumpster enclosure, landscaping, loading area, and exterior lighting to verify compliance with applicable Zoning Ordinance requirements.
- 4. The application as presented is ready for Planning Commission review and action as a preliminary site plan, but is not ready for any final site plan approval.

Recommendations

Based on the above findings, I would not recommend a combined preliminary - final site plan approval action as requested by the applicant, but would recommend that the Planning Commission consider taking action to grant preliminary site plan approval only for the PSPR 22-15 site plan dated 10/19/2022 for the Prestige Centre located at 5785 E. Broadway Road in the NE 1/4 of Section 13 and in the PUD (Planned Unit Development) District, subject to submittal of an updated final site plan application for Planning Commission review and approval.

Please contact me at (989) 772-4600 ext. 241, or via email at pgallinat@uniontownshipmi.com, with any questions about this information.

Respectfully submitted,

Peter Gallinat, Zoning Administrator Community and Economic Development Department

<u>Draft Motions</u>: PSPR 22-19 Prestige Centre Assisted Living and Memory Care Expansion Combined Preliminary - Final Site Plan Review Application

MOTION TO APPROVE THE COMBINED PRELIMINARY - FINAL SITE PLAN AS PRESENTED:

Motion by _______, supported by _______, to <u>approve</u> the PSPR22-19 combined preliminary and final site plan dated October 19, 2022 for the Prestige Centre Assisted Living and Memory Care Expansion located at 5785 E. Broadway Road in the northeast quarter of Section 13 and in the PUD (Planned Unit Development) zoning district, finding that the site plan fully complies with the applicable Zoning Ordinance requirements for <u>preliminary and final</u> site plan approval, including Sections 14.2.P. (Required Site Plan Information) and 14.2.S. (Standards for Site Plan Approval).

MOTION TO APPROVE ONLY THE PRELIMINARY SITE PLAN AS PRESENTED:

Motion by ______, supported by ______, to approve only the PSPR22-19 preliminary site plan dated October 19, 2022 for the Prestige Centre Assisted Living and Memory Care Expansion located at 5785 E. Broadway Road in the northeast quarter of Section 13 and in the PUD (Planned Unit Development) zoning district, finding that the site plan fully complies with the applicable Zoning Ordinance requirements for <u>preliminary</u> site plan approval, including Sections 14.2.P. (Required Site Plan Information) and 14.2.S. (Standards for Site Plan Approval).

MOTION TO APPROVE ONLY THE PRELIMINARY SITE PLAN WITH CONDITIONS:

Motion by ______, supported by ______, to <u>approve only</u> the PSPR22-19 preliminary site plan dated October 19, 2022 for the Prestige Centre Assisted Living and Memory Care Expansion located at 5785 E. Broadway Road in the northeast quarter of Section 13 and in the PUD (Planned Unit Development) zoning district, finding that the site plan can comply with applicable Zoning Ordinance requirements for <u>preliminary</u> site plan approval, including Sections 14.2.P. (Required Site Plan Information) and 14.2.S. (Standards for Site Plan Approval), <u>subject to the following condition(s)</u>:

1. Revise and update details for bicycle parking, drive aisle, dumpster enclosure, landscaping, loading area, and exterior lighting on an updated final site plan per applicable Zoning Ordinance standards.

MOTION TO POSTPONE ACTION:

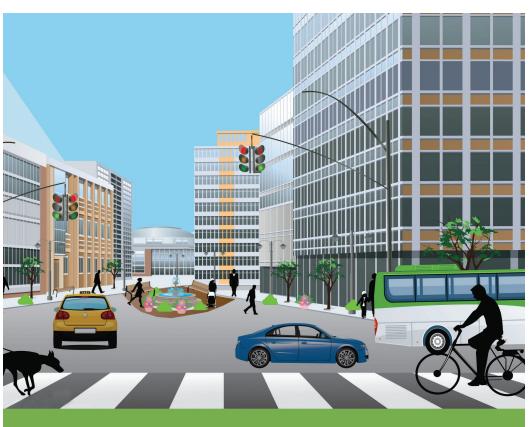
Motion by ______, supported by ______, to postpone action on the PSPR22-19 combined preliminary and final site plan for the Prestige Centre Assisted Living and Memory Care Expansion at 5785 E. Broadway Road until ______, 2022 for the following reasons:

<u>Draft Motions</u>: PSPR 22-19 Prestige Centre Assisted Living and Memory Care Expansion Combined Preliminary - Final Site Plan Review Application

MOTION TO DENY:

Motion by ______, supported by ______, to deny the PSPR22-19 combined preliminary and final site plan dated October 19, 2022 for the Prestige Centre Assisted Living and Memory Care Expansion located at 5785 E. Broadway Road in the northeast quarter of Section 13 and in the PUD (Planned Unit Development) zoning district, finding that the site plan does not comply with applicable Zoning Ordinance requirements, including Sections 14.2.P. (Required Site Plan Information) and 14.2.S. (Standards for Site Plan Approval), for the following reasons:





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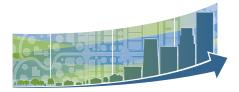




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In this document, parts of the best practices will have further explanation. If a word is in **orange**, hover your mouse over it and a yellow box will appear with more information. If a word is orange and <u>underlined</u>, it contains a hyperlink.

Contact the RRC team at RRC@michigan.org with questions or visit www.miplace.org for additional resources.

Best Practice One: Community plans and public outreach

1.1—THE PLANS

Best Practice 1.1 evaluates community planning and how a community's redevelopment vision is embedded in the master plan, capital improvements plan, downtown plan and corridor plan. Comprehensive planning documents are a community's guiding framework for growth and investment. Information and strategies outlined in the plans are intended to serve as policy guidelines for local decisions about the physical, social, economic and environmental development of the community.

The master plan is updated, at a minimum, every five years to provide a community with a current and relevant decision making tool. The plan sets expectations for those involved in development, giving the public some degree of certainty about their vision for the future, while assisting the community to achieve its stated goals. An updated master plan is essential to articulating the types of development the community desires and the specific areas where the community will concentrate resources. Coordination between the master plan, capital improvements plan, downtown plan and corridor plan is essential. It is important that planning documents incorporate recommendations for implementation, including goals, actions, timelines and responsible parties.

EVALUATION CRITERIA 1.1.1

The governing body has adopted a <u>master plan</u> in the past five years.

EXPECTATIONS

- □ The master plan reflects the community's desired direction for the future.
- □ The master plan identifies strategies for priority redevelopment areas.
- ☐ The master plan addresses land use and infrastructure, including <u>complete streets</u>.
- □ The master plan includes a <u>zoning plan</u>.
- □ The master plan incorporates recommendations for implementation, including goals, actions, timelines and responsible parties.
- Progress on the master plan is annually reported to the governing body.
- ☐ The master plan is accessible online.

EVALUATION CRITERIA 1.1.2

The governing body has adopted a **downtown** plan.

- □ The downtown plan identifies development area boundaries.
- □ The downtown plan identifies projects, and includes estimated project costs and a timeline for completion.
- ☐ The downtown plan includes mixed-use and pedestrian oriented development elements.
- □ The downtown plan addresses transit oriented development, if applicable.
- \Box The downtown plan is accessible online.

Best Practice One: Community plans and public outreach

1.1—THE PLANS continued

EVALUATION CRITERIA 1.1.3 The governing body has adopted a corridor plan.	EXPECTATIONS
	The corridor plan identifies projects, and includes estimated project costs and a timeline for completion.
	The corridor plan includes mixed-use and pedestrian oriented development elements.
	The corridor plan addresses transit oriented development, if applicable.
	☐ The corridor plan is accessible online.
EVALUATION CRITERIA 1 1 4	EXPECTATIONS

The governing body has adopted a capital improvements plan.

- The <u>capital improvements plan</u> details a minimum of six years of public structures and improvements and is updated annually.
- □ The capital improvements plan coordinates projects to minimize construction costs.
- □ The capital improvements plan coordinates with adopted community plans and the budget.
- □ The capital improvements plan is accessible online.



Best Practice One: Community plans and public outreach

1.2—PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Best Practice 1.2 assesses how well a community identifies its stakeholders and engages them, not only during the master planning process, but on a continual basis. A public participation strategy is essential to formalize those efforts and outline how the public will be engaged throughout planning and development processes.

Public participation is the process by which a community consults with interested or affected stakeholders before making a decision. It is two-way communication and collaborative problem solving with the objective of being intentionally inclusive, and the goal of achieving better and more acceptable decisions. Public participation aims to prevent or minimize disputes by creating a process for resolving issues before they become an obstacle.

The best plans and proposals have the support of many stakeholders from businesses, residents, community groups and elected and appointed community officials. Public engagement should be more frequent and interactive than only soliciting input during the master plan update and public hearings.

EVALUATION CRITERIA 1.2.1

The community has a documented public participation strategy

for engaging a diverse set of community stakeholders.

EXPECTATIONS

- □ The strategy identifies key stakeholders, including those not normally at the visioning table.
- □ The strategy describes public participation methods and the appropriate venue to use each method.
- □ If a third party is consulted, they adhere to the public participation strategy.
- □ The community assists the developer in soliciting input on a proposal early in the site plan approval process.
- \Box The community reviews and updates the strategy on a regular basis.

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EVALUATION CRITERIA 1.2.2

The community demonstrates that public participation efforts go beyond the basic methods.

EXPECTATIONS

Basic practices:

- Open Meetings Act
- > Website posting
- Postcard mailings
- Local cable notification

□ Proactive practices:

- Individual mailings
- Community workshops
- Social media platforms
- > One-on-one interviews

- Newspaper posting
- > Flier posting on community hall door
- > Attachments to water bills
- Announcements at governing body meetings
 - > Focus groups
 - Crowd-sourcing

EVALUATION CRITERIA 1.2.3

The community shares outcomes of public participation processes.

EXPECTATIONS

 \Box The community tracks success of various outreach methods.

□ The community participation results are communicated in a consistent and transparent manner.

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Best Practice Two: Zoning regulations

2.1—ZONING REGULATIONS

Best Practice 2.1 evaluates a community's zoning ordinance and how it meets community goals, enables the form and type of development the community is seeking and includes modern, flexible approaches to zoning. Zoning is a key tool for plan implementation and inflexible or obsolete zoning regulations can discourage development and investment. Outdated regulations can force developers to pursue rezoning or variance requests, extending project timelines, increasing costs and creating uncertainty. Communities should look to streamline requirements and regulate for the kind of development that is truly desired. Zoning should be used to shape inviting, walkable, vibrant communities, rather than inhibit them.

EVALUATION CRITERIA 2.1.1

The governing body has adopted a zoning ordinance that aligns with the goals of the master plan.

EXPECTATIONS

The community has evaluated the master plan's recommendations to determine if changes to the zoning map or ordinance are needed.

EVALUATION CRITERIA 2.1.2

The zoning ordinance provides for areas of concentrated development in appropriate locations and encourages the type and form of development desired.

EXPECTATIONS

- □ The ordinance allows mixed-use buildings by right in designated areas of concentrated development.
- ☐ The ordinance requires one or more of the following <u>elements</u> in areas of concentrated development:
 - \succ Build-to lines
 - > Open store fronts
 - Outdoor dining
 - Minimum ground floor transparency
 - Streetscape elements (trees, seating, pedestrian-scale lighting and signage)
 - Front facing doorways
 - Parking located in the rear of building
- $\hfill\square$ The ordinance addresses historic preservation.

EVALUATION CRITERIA 2.1.3

The zoning ordinance includes flexible tools to encourage development and redevelopment.

- □ The zoning ordinance includes at least two of the following flexible tools:
 - Density bonuses
 - Non-conforming regulations
 - Conditional rezoning
 - Overlay zones
 - Form-based code
 - Compatible new-economy businesses in commercial and industrial districts

Best Practice Two: Zoning regulations

2.1—ZONING REGULATIONS continued

EVALUATION CRITERIA 2.1.4 The zoning ordinance allows for a variety of housing options.

EXPECTATIONS

- □ The ordinance allows for three or more of the following housing types by right:
 - Accessory dwelling units
 - Townhouses/rowhouses
 - Stacked flats
 - Residential units above non-residential uses
- Live/work
- > Co-housing
- Cluster housing
- > Micro units

EVALUATION CRITERIA 2.1.5

The zoning ordinance includes standards to improve nonmotorized transportation.

EXPECTATIONS

- □ The ordinance includes standards for the following elements where appropriate:
 - Bicycle parking
 - Traffic calming
 - Sidewalk connectivity
- Pedestrian-scale lighting
- Public realm standards
- Block size

EVALUATION CRITERIA 2.1.6

The zoning ordinance includes flexible parking standards.

EXPECTATIONS

☐ The ordinance includes regulations for two or more of the following:

- Reduction or elimination of required parking when onstreet and public parking is available
- Connections between parking lots
- Shared parking agreements
- Parking maximums
- Elimination of parking minimums

- Parking waivers
- Electric vehicle charging stations
- Bicycle parking
- Payment in lieu of parking
- Reduction of required parking for complementary mixed-uses

Best Practice Two: Zoning regulations

2.1—ZONING REGULATIONS continued

EVALUATION CRITERIA 2.1.7 The zoning ordinance includes standards for environmental preservation and green infrastructure.

EXPECTATIONS

- □ The ordinance includes regulations for three or more of the following:
 - > Low impact development techniques (rain gardens, bioswales, etc.)
 - Rain water collection (blue roofs, cisterns, water harvesting, stormwater vaults, etc.)
 - Green roofs
 - Pervious pavement
 - Steep slope protections
 - Street tree planting standards
 - > Tree preservation or replacement standards
 - Parking lot landscaping standards
 - Required native or low-maintenance plantings
 - Renewable energy
 - Buffering standards around water bodies or other natural resources
 - Off-site stormwater regulations allowing site developers to participate in district-scale stormwater management plan

EVALUATION CRITERIA 2.1.8

The zoning ordinance is

- □ The ordinance portrays clear definitions and requirements using graphics, tables or charts as appropriate.
- □ The ordinance is available in an electronic format at no cost and hard copies are available for review at convenient locations.
- \Box The ordinance is accessible online.

3.1—DEVELOPMENT REVIEW PROCEDURES

Best practice 3.1 evaluates the community's development review policies and procedures, project tracking and internal/external communication.

The purpose of the development review process is to assure plans for specific types of development comply with local ordinances and are consistent with the master plan. Streamlined, well-documented development policies and procedures ensure a smooth and predictable experience when working with a community. It is essential for a community's development review team to also coordinate with permitting and inspections staff.

Unnecessary steps or unclear instructions increase time

and expenses associated with development. Community leaders should look to simplify and clarify policies, operate in a transparent manner and increase efficiency to create an inviting development climate that is vital to attracting investment. To do this, sound internal procedures need to be in place and followed. Tracking projects internally across multiple departments can alleviate potential delays. Offering conceptual site plan review meetings is one more step a community can take to show investors they are working to remove development barriers and cut down on unexpected time delays.

EVALUATION CRITERIA 3.1.1

The zoning ordinance articulates a thorough site plan review process.

EXPECTATIONS

The responsibilities of the governing body, planning commission, zoning board of appeals, other reviewing bodies, and staff are clearly documented.

EVALUATION CRITERIA 3.1.2

The community has a qualified intake professional.

EXPECTATIONS

- □ The community identifies a project point person and trains staff to perform intake responsibilities including:
 - > Receiving and processing applications and site plans
 - Documenting contact with the applicant
 - > Explaining procedures and submittal requirements
 - Facilitating meetings
 - > Processing applications after approval
 - Excellent customer service

EVALUATION CRITERIA 3.1.3 The community defines and

offers conceptual site plan review meetings for applicants.

- □ The community has clearly defined expectations posted online and a checklist to be reviewed at conceptual meetings.
- ☐ The community advertises online that conceptual site plan review meetings are available.

3.1—DEVELOPMENT REVIEW PROCEDURES continued

EVALUATION CRITERIA 3.1.4 EXPECTATIONS The appropriate departments □ The joint site plan review team consists of the following engage in joint site plan representatives, as appropriate: Planning department Historic District Commission > Public works department Consultant Building department > Attorney Transportation department County soil erosion and sedimentation > Fire County drain commissioner ➢ Police County health department > Assessor County road commission > Community manager or > Outside agencies supervisor Economic development

EVALUATION CRITERIA 3.1.5

The community has a clearly documented internal staff review process.

EXPECTATIONS

- □ The internal review process articulates clear roles, responsibilities and timelines.
- Development review standards are clearly defined.

EVALUATION CRITERIA 3.1.6

The community promptly acts on development requests.

- □ Site plans for permitted uses are approved administratively or by the planning commission.
- □ The community follows its documented procedures and timelines.
- □ The community has easy to follow flowcharts of development processes that include timelines.
- □ Community development staff coordinates with permitting and inspections staff to ensure a smooth and timely approval process.



3.1—DEVELOPMENT REVIEW PROCEDURES continued

EVALUATION CRITERIA 3.1.7 The community has a method to track development projects.

EXPECTATIONS

- □ The community uses a tracking mechanism for projects during the development process.
- □ The community uses a tracking mechanism for projects during the permitting and inspections process.

EVALUATION CRITERIA 3.1.8

The community annually reviews successes and challenges with the development review process.

- □ The community obtains customer feedback on the site plan approval and permitting and inspections process and integrates changes where applicable.
- □ The joint site plan review team, including permitting and inspections staff, meets to capture lessons learned and amends the process accordingly.

3.2—GUIDE TO DEVELOPMENT

Best Practice 3.2 evaluates the accessibility of a community's planning and development information.

Development information and applications must be assembled to help citizens, developers and public officials gain a better understanding of how the development

process in the community works. Documents should be updated regularly and provide a general overview of development processes, steps necessary to obtain approvals and be readily available online.

EVALUATION CRITERIA 3.2.1

The community maintains a guide to development that explains policies, procedures and steps to obtain approvals.

EXPECTATIONS

 \Box The guide includes:

- Relevant contact information
- Relevant meeting schedules
- Easy-to-follow step-by-step flowcharts of development
- Conceptual meeting procedures
- Relevant ordinances to review > Special meeting procedures prior to site plan submission
- Site plan review requirements > Design guidelines and related and application
- Clear explanation for site plans that can be approved administratively

- Rezoning request process and application
- Variance request process and application
- processes, including timelines > Special land use request process and application
 - Fee schedule

 - Financial assistance tools
 - processes
 - Building permit requirements and applications

□ The guide to development is accessible online.

EVALUATION CRITERIA 3.2.2

The community annually reviews the fee schedule.

EXPECTATIONS

 \Box The fee schedule is reviewed annually and updated as needed.

□ The community accepts credit card payment for fees.

Best Practice Four: Recruitment and education

4.1—RECRUITMENT AND ORIENTATION

Best practice 4.1 evaluates how a community conducts recruitment and orientation for newly appointed or elected officials and board members.

Diversity on boards and commissions can ensure a wide range of perspectives are considered when making

decisions on development and financial incentives. Communities should seek applicants with desired skill sets and establish expectations prior to new officials and board members becoming active.

EVALUATION CRITERIA 4.1.1

The community sets expectations for board and commission positions.

EXPECTATIONS

- □ The community outlines expectations and <u>desired skill sets</u> for open seats.
- $\hfill\square$ The community has clearly documented the process for board and commission appointments.
- \Box Board and commission applications are available online.

EVALUATION CRITERIA 4.1.2

The community provides orientation packets to all appointed and elected members of development related boards and commissions.

EXPECTATIONS

□ The orientation packet includes all relevant planning, zoning and development information.

Best Practice Four: Recruitment and education

4.2—EDUCATION AND TRAINING

Best practice 4.2 assesses how a community encourages ongoing education and training and tracks training needs for appointed or elected officials, board members and staff.

Planning commissioners, zoning board of appeals members, the governing body and staff make more informed development decisions when they receive adequate training on land use and development issues. Turnover in officials and staff can create gaps in knowledge, which makes ongoing training essential to the efficient functioning of a community's development processes.

EVALUATION CRITERIA 4.2.1

The community has a dedicated source of funding for training.

EXPECTATIONS

The community has a training budget allocated for elected and appointed officials and staff.

EVALUATION CRITERIA 4.2.2

The community identifies training needs and tracks attendance for elected and appointed officials and staff.

EXPECTATIONS

- □ The community manages a simple <u>tracking mechanism</u> for logging individual training needs and attendance.
- □ The community identifies trainings that assist in accomplishing their stated goals and objectives.

EVALUATION CRITERIA 4.2.3

The community encourages elected and appointed officials and staff to attend trainings.

EXPECTATIONS

□ The community has an established process to notify its elected and appointed officials and staff about training opportunities.

EVALUATION CRITERIA 4.2.4

The community shares information between elected and appointed officials and staff.

- □ The community holds collaborative work sessions, including joint trainings on development topics.
- $\hfill\square$ Training participants share information with those not in attendance.
- □ The planning commission prepares an annual report for the governing body.

Best Practice Five: Community prosperity

5.1—ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY

Best practice 5.1 assesses what goals and actions a community has identified to assist in strengthening its overall economic health.

Today, economic development means more than business attraction and retention. While business development is a core value, a community needs to include community development and talent in the overall equation for economic success. The goal of the economic development strategy is to provide initiatives and methods that will encourage diversity of the region's economic base, tap into opportunities for economic expansion and help to create a sustainable, vibrant community.

EVALUATION CRITERIA 5.1.1

The community has an approved <u>economic</u>

EXPECTATIONS

- □ The economic development strategy is part of the master plan, annual budget or a separate document.
- □ The economic development strategy connects to the master plan and capital improvements plan.
- □ The economic development strategy identifies the economic opportunities and challenges of the community.
- The economic development strategy incorporates <u>recommendations</u> for implementation, including goals, actions, timelines and responsible parties.
- □ The economic development strategy coordinates with a regional economic development strategy.
- □ The economic development strategy is accessible online.

EVALUATION CRITERIA 5.1.2

The community annually reviews the economic development strategy.

EXPECTATIONS

Progress on the economic development strategy is reported annually to the governing body.

Best Practice Five: Community prosperity

5.2—MARKETING AND PROMOTION

Best practice 5.2 assesses how a community promotes and markets itself to create community pride and increase investor confidence. It also evaluates the ease of locating pertinent planning, zoning and economic development documents on the community's website.

Community marketing and promotion can take many forms. Communities must develop a positive, promotional strategy through marketing campaigns, advertising and special events to encourage investment. Marketing campaigns can assist with sharing the established community vision, values and goals. Developing a brand to promote a consistent identity can position a community for future success. A community's website is an important marketing tool and must be welldesigned to provide information to the public and build a positive image.

EVALUATION CRITERIA 5.2.1

The community has developed a <u>marketing strategy</u>.

EXPECTATIONS

- □ The marketing strategy identifies opportunities and outlines specific steps to attract businesses, consumers and real estate development to the community.
- □ The marketing strategy strives to create or strengthen an image for the community.
- □ The marketing strategy identifies approaches to market priority development sites.
- □ The community coordinates marketing efforts with local, regional and state partners.

EVALUATION CRITERIA 5.2.2

The community has an updated, user friendly municipal website.

EXPECTATIONS

 $\hfill\square$ The community's website is easy to navigate.

- □ The community's planning, zoning and development information is grouped together with links to the following:
 - Master plan and amendments
 - Downtown plan
 - Corridor plan
 - Capital improvements plan
 - Zoning ordinance
 - Guide to development
 - Online payment option

- Partner organizations
- Board and commission applications
- Property information packages
- Economic development strategy

Best Practice Six: Redevelopment Ready Sites®

6.1—REDEVELOPMENT READY SITES®

Best practice 6.1 assesses how a community identifies, visions for and markets priority redevelopment sites. A redevelopment ready site is a site targeted by the community and ready for investment.

Identifying and marketing priority sites can assist a community to stimulate the real estate market for <u>obsolete</u>, vacant and <u>underutilized property</u>.

Communities that have engaged the public and determined desired outcomes for priority sites create a predictable environment for development projects. A community which takes steps to reduce the risk of rejected development proposals will entice hesitant developers to spend their time and financial resources pursuing a project in their community. If a development proposal on a priority site is deemed controversial, additional public participation opportunities should be held to ensure community support. To encourage development, it is essential that communities actively package and market sites prioritized for redevelopment. Developers look to invest in places that have an overall vision for the community and priority sites.

EVALUATION CRITERIA 6.1.1

The community identifies and prioritizes redevelopment sites.

EXPECTATIONS

□ The community maintains an updated list of at least three priority sites.

EVALUATION CRITERIA 6.1.2

The community gathers basic information for three priority sites.

EXPECTATIONS

- $\hfill\square$ Required information to include:
 - Photo of the site and/or rendering
 - Desired development outcomes for the site
 - > Owner contact information
 - Community contact information
 - Zoning
 - Lot size

- ➢ Building size
- State equalized value
- Utility contact information
- Utilities on site: Water, sewer, electricity, natural gas
- Wired broadband infrastructure: DSL, cable, fiber

EVALUATION CRITERIA 6.1.3

The community establishes a vision for three priority sites.

- $\hfill\square$ The vision includes desired development outcomes.
- \Box Community champions for redevelopment of the site are identified.
- ☐ High controversy redevelopment sites may require additional public engagement as identified in the public engagement strategy.
- □ The master plan and zoning ordinance have been reviewed for any updates needed to support the site vision.

Best Practice Six: Redevelopment Ready Sites®

6.1—REDEVELOPMENT READY SITES[®] continued

EVALUATION CRITERIA 6.1.4 The community identifies potential resources and incentives for three priority sites.

EXPECTATIONS

- The community identifies negotiable development tools, financial incentives and/or in-kind support, based on the project meeting the community's vision and desired development outcomes. Examples include:
 - Density bonuses
 - Local grants and loans
 - Abatements

- Expedited approval process
- ➤ Waived fees
- State incentives

EVALUATION CRITERIA 6.1.5

The community assembles a property information package for at least one priority site.

EXPECTATIONS

- □ The property information package includes all basic information, site vision, financial incentives and the following as applicable:
 - Deed restrictions
 - Property tax assessment information
 - Property survey
 - Previous uses
 - Existing conditions report
 - Known environmental and/or contamination conditions
 - > Soil conditions
 - Demographic data
 - Surrounding amenities

- Planned infrastructure improvements as identified in CIP
- GIS information including site location and street maps
- Natural features map
- Traffic studies
- > Target market analysis
- Market feasibility studies
- Special zone/district status
- The property information package is aesthetically pleasing and branded according to standards outlined in the marketing strategy.

EVALUATION CRITERIA 6.1.6

Priority redevelopment sites are actively marketed in accordance with the marketing strategy.

EXPECTATIONS

□ The property information package(s) are accessible online.

Conclusion

The Redevelopment Ready Communities[®] program looks to foster communities that creatively reuse space, embrace economic innovation and proactively plan for the future, making them more attractive for investments that create places where talent wants to live, work and play. RRC certification signals to business owners, developers and investors that the community has removed barriers by building deliberate, fair and consistent processes.



Communities not formally engaged in the RRC program, but wanting to work toward certification are encouraged to compare their current policies and procedures to the best practice standards by completing RRC self-evaluations. The self-evaluations are available to assist any community interested in being more redevelopment ready. Completion of the self-evaluation documents does not replace the formal evaluation process conducted by the RRC team. In addition to the self-evaluations, guides have been developed to act as resources for communities working on RRC best practice components. Each guide is a tool describing recommended processes and sample language. Every community has different needs and capacities, so the process and document can be tailored to fit individual community requirements.

To be vibrant and competitive, Michigan communities must be ready for development. This involves planning for new investment, identifying assets and opportunities and focusing limited resources. Communities must create the types of places where talent and businesses want to locate, invest and expand.

Certified Redevelopment Ready Communities[®] signal that locating a new business or growing an existing one is straightforward. Certified communities have removed barriers to development including eliminating uncertainties surrounding project timelines and approvals by implementing and executing the RRC best practices.

<u>Contact the RRC team</u> at rrc@michigan.org or your <u>CATeam specialist</u> with questions.

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TOWNSHIP-INITIATED ZONING MAP AMENDMENT PROPOSAL

TO: **Planning Commission**

November 7, 2022 DATE:

FROM: Rodney C. Nanney, AICP, Community and Economic Development Director

PROPOSED ACTION: To discuss a potential Township-initialed rezoning of land in the area east of S. Lincoln Rd. and south of E. Broomfield Rd. to address conflicts related to the existing development and land use pattern, re-use of existing office/warehouse buildings, and prior zoning-related approvals.

Background Information

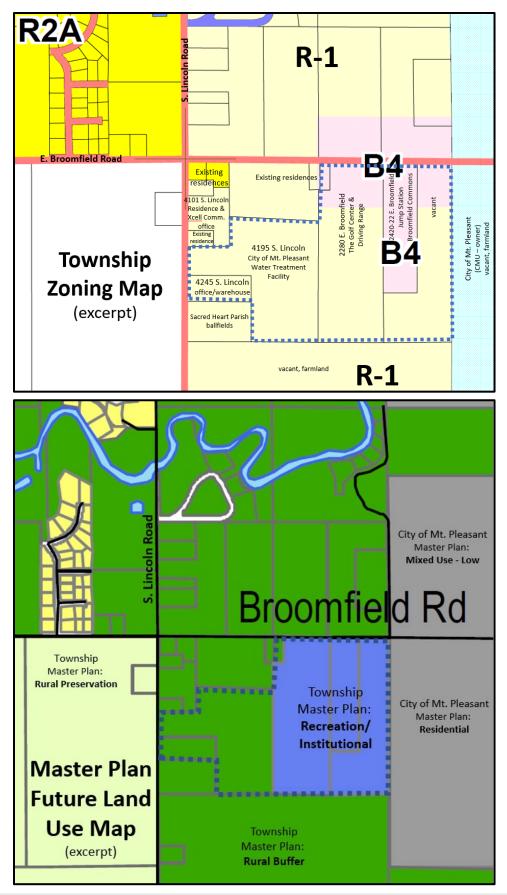
The listing of a lot and existing commercial/industrial building at 4245 S. Lincoln Road for sale earlier this summer resulted in questions about zoning and allowable land uses.

During this review, staff identified a broader need to consider potential adjustments to the zoning for a number of parcels on the east side of S. Lincoln Rd. south of E. Broomfield Rd., and also on the south side of E. Broomfield Rd. east of S. Lincoln Rd.

The proposed subject area is indicated on the aerial photo at right, and also on the zoning and future land use map excerpts that follow.

Additional background information on the various parcels is included after the maps.





4245 S. Lincoln Rd. (3.94 acres)

The parcel at 4245 S. Lincoln Road is occupied by an existing office/warehouse building and parking lot, but is located in the R-1 (One-Family Residential) zoning district. Peter Gallinat, Zoning Administrator, reviewed the zoning/land use history of this property available in the Township's records (see attached) and compiled a more complete picture of the scope of lawful uses available for this lot and existing building, which is summarized as follows:

- 1. Uses allowed in the R-1 District. The lot is in the R-1 zoning district, which would allow for establishment of any principal or accessory use allowed by right and any use allowed by special use permit approval in the R-1 District, as listed in Section 3.7 of the Zoning Ordinance No. 20-06, as amended.
- 2. **Private club or fraternal organization.** The building was apparently constructed in 1973 for use by the Knights of Columbus. There is sufficient documentation in the file to determine that a conditional approval was granted for this private club or fraternal organization to develop and conduct their activities on the site. The 1973 approval (by the Zoning Board of Appeals at the time) was the equivalent of a "special use permit" today, and continues to be valid. The property can be used for a private club or fraternal organization, provided it is done in a manner consistent with the 1973 approval.
- 3. At some point prior to 2005, the Knights of Columbus ceased their activities at this location. Use of the site was subsequently changed to a banquet hall, which was determined by the Zoning Board of Appeals on 12/7/2005 to be a "legal nonconforming use." As part of this determination, the Board of Appeals also authorized a substitution from the banquet hall to a new legal nonconforming "fitness center" use of the building.

Later, on 9/7/2016, the Board of Appeals was again asked to approve a substitution from the nonconforming fitness center use to the Lockey USA corporate office and accessory warehouse and distribution space (see #4 below).

<u>Please note that the 2005 and 2016 ZBA actions had the effect of removing any legal</u> <u>nonconforming status for the former banquet hall and fitness center activities. There are</u> <u>no options for these two activities to be resumed on the premises</u>.

4. **Corporate office with an accessory warehouse and distribution area.** Per the ZBA's 2016 action, the property can continue to be used for a corporate office with an accessory warehouse and distribution area, provided that the new use is determined to be similar in character and intensity to the former Lockey USA operation, and provided that it is done in a manner consistent with the 2016 ZBA approval action. As a "legal nonconforming use," this activity could not be expanded and the ability to alter the building or arrangement of the office and warehouse/distribution areas would be restricted.

There is no broad authorization for general commercial or industrial activities on this property. Future use of this lot and building would need to conform to the current Zoning Ordinance standards for the R-1 zoning district, or would need to fit within the limited scope of the private club, fraternal organization, or corporate office activities as noted above. The lot at 4245 S. Lincoln Rd. is surrounded by farmland, private and commercial recreational facilities, and existing residences, and is not served by municipal water or sanitary sewer services. The Master Plan designates the site as part of the "Rural Buffer" area, which is describes as follows:

Rural Buffer. Rural Buffer areas generally do not have sewer and water, but are appropriate for agricultural, low density residential, and other uses allowed by zoning. Typically this buffer is located on the fringe between rural and more urbanized areas. Rezoning requests for more intensive uses should be limited, especially those requiring extended utility service.

4195 S. Lincoln Rd. (26.33 acres)

The parcel at 4195 S. Lincoln Rd. is located in the R-1 (One-Family Residential) zoning district. It is owned by the City of Mt. Pleasant and occupied by an existing water treatment facility. This facility is considered under the Township Zoning Ordinance to be an "essential service" activity that is allowed in any zoning district subject to site plan approval.

4101 S. Lincoln Rd. (5.13 acres)

The parcel at 4101 S. Lincoln Rd. is located in the R-1 (One-Family Residential) zoning district. It is occupied by an existing single-family dwelling (1,455 sq. ft.) and an existing office/warehouse building (3,872 sq. ft.), both constructed in 1984-1985. A detailed land use history of this site has not yet been completed, so it is not clear how the office/warehouse building was established on the property. However, if the parcel was in the AG (Agricultural) zoning district at the time, which is likely, the 1981 Township Zoning Ordinance allowed a wide variety of commercial uses, including filling stations and "neighborhood businesses," as special uses in the AG District.

The office/warehouse building is advertised online as the location of Xsell (Xcell) Communications, an "an authorized DISH Satellite television Retailer specializing in Satellite television and Internet," which would appear to potentially be an unlawful land use on the premises. However, the Twp. Assessor has included a note on the parcel record that, due to a "problem selling with light industrial building on the site, this is now being used as a hobby workshop by new owner." Based on the Twp. Assessor's comment, this parcel has not been included as part of the subject land area for zoning district evaluation.

E. Broomfield Rd. land.

Land within the subject area on the south side of E. Broomfield Rd. is split-zoned, with the road frontage to varying depths located in the B-4 (General Business) District and the balance of each parcel in the R-1 (One-Family Residential) zoning district. The parcels are occupied by The Golf Center (retail/service and commercial recreation) and the Jump Station and Broomfield Commons development (indoor commercial recreation and office/warehouse).

The Golf Center & Driving Range activities are fully consistent with the B-4 zoning. However, some of the existing land uses on these subject parcels appear to not be fully consistent with the B-4 and R-1 zoning districts.

The Master Plan designates the land within the subject area on the south side of E. Broomfield

Rd. is as part of the "Recreation/Institutional" area, which is describes as follows:

Recreation / Institutional. This category is designated primarily for indoor/outdoor recreation both private and publicly owned.

Potential Options

It is the opinion of staff that the existing zoning district arrangement within the subject area is inconsistent with the pattern of development in the area. In particular, the proximity of the City's water treatment facility and the driving range appear to create significant conflicts for any future use of the R-1 zoned land in the subject area. This has created land use conflicts related to potential re-use of existing non-residential buildings constructed in the 1970s and 1980s.

Under the requirements of the Michigan Zoning Enabling Act, the Planning Commission can initiate a Zoning Map amendment to rezone land. Staff would recommend that the Planning Commission consider the following options:

- (A) Narrow rezoning. The existing conditions and land use/prior approval history of the parcel at 4245 S. Lincoln Rd. warrant consideration of a change in the zoning of the parcel. Along with the adjacent City of Mt. Pleasant parcel, staff would recommend that the Planning Commission consider initiating a rezoning of these parcels to either the I-1 (Light Industrial) or the B-5 (Highway Business) zoning districts.
- (B) **Broader subject area rezoning.** Consider a broader rezoning within the subject area to reduce conflicts with existing uses and development. This rezoning could include a rezoning of part of the subject land area to either the I-1 (Light Industrial) or the B-5 (Highway Business) zoning districts, as most compatible with existing uses.
- (C) Start with a Master Plan amendment for this area, then consider zoning changes. The existing zoning, any prior approvals, and existing land use restrictions and conflicts would continue to apply. Following development and approval of an amendment to the Master Plan and Future Land Use Map for this specific area (a process that would be expected to take 6 9 months to complete), any zoning changes could then be initiated consistent with the amended Master Plan.
- (D) Do nothing now and re-evaluate the area as part of an overall Master Plan update. The existing zoning, any prior approvals, and existing land use restrictions and conflicts would continue to apply. The Planning Commission will need to undertake the state Planning Act-mandated five-year review of the Master Plan in 2023, which could lead to a determination to update the Plan.

Following development and approval of an updated Master Plan and Future Land Use Map (a process that would be expected to take about a year to complete), any zoning changes could then be initiated consistent with the new Master Plan.

Please contact me at (989) 772-4600 ext. 232, or via email at <u>RNanney@uniontownshipmi.com</u>, with any questions about this information.

Respectfully submitted,

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Community and Economic Development Department

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF UNION Zoning Board of Appeals <u>Regular Meeting Agenda</u>

Date: December 7, 2005 Time: 7:00 p.m. Place: Union Township Hall

Call to Order

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Minutes of August 31, 2005 joint meeting Minutes of September 7, 2005 regular meeting

Correspondence

Approval of Agenda

Public Comment: restricted to three (3) minutes regarding issues not on this agenda

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1.) VSB 1117 - Maple Leaf Development LLC, Unaddressed property south of 2057 Independence Dr., A 20 foot variance for rear yard to allow for a 30 foot rear yard in an I-1 Light Industrial District

NEW BUSINESS

- 1.) USE 1157 Clarence Tuma Trust 4245 S. Lincoln Rd., Request to allow change of use for Lincoln Hill Hall from Banquet and Meeting Hall to Fitness Gym per Section 9.2
- 2.) VRS 1160 Bluegrass Investment Group, South Side of Bluegrass Road between Isabella Road and a point approximately 1500 feet East of Mission Road. Sign Variances for Union Commons Mall, Menard's, Walmart and Sam's Club. Rear Yard Variance for Kohl's to attached Mall Buildings

Other Business

- 1.) 2006 Budget
- 2.) 2006 Meeting Schedule

Extended Public Comment

Adjournment

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF UNION Zoning Board of Appeals <u>Regular Meeting</u>

A regular meeting of the Charter Township of Union Zoning Board of Appeals was held on December 7, 2005 at 7:00 p.m. at the Union Township Hall.

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Roll Call

Engler, McGuirk, Nelson, Partie, Veldhuis and Warner were present.

Others Present Woody Woodruff

Approval of Minutes

August 31, 2005 – joint meeting Engler moved McGuirk supported to approve the August 31, 2005 joint meeting minutes as presented. Ayes: all. Motion carried. September 7, 2005 – regular meeting

Warner moved Engler supported to approve the September 7, 2005 regular meeting minutes as presented. Ayes: all. Motion carried.

Correspondence

No correspondence was submitted.

<u>Approval of Agenda</u> Veldhuis moved Engler supported to approve the agenda as presented. Ayes: all. Motion carried.

Public Comment No comments were offered.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1.) <u>VSB 1117 – Maple Leaf Development LLC, Unaddressed property south of 2057</u> <u>Independence Drive. A 20 foot variance for rear yard to allow for a 30 foot rear</u> yard in an I-1 Light Industrial District

<u>Applicant</u>

Matt Showalter of Maple Leaf Development LLC 1414 W. High St. addressed the Board and stated that they would like to add on and this variance will conform with adjacent property.

Public Hearing Opened at 7:06 p.m. No comments were offered Closed at 7:08 p.m.

<u>ZBA</u>

Engler moved McGuirk supported to approve VSB 1117 – Maple Leaf Development LLC, unaddressed property south of 2057 Independence Drive. A 20-foot variance for rear yard to allow for a 30 foot rear yard in an I-1 Light Industrial District because it does no harm to adjacent properties and will allow the applicant to expand. Ayes: all. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

1.) <u>USE 1157 – Clarence Tuma Trust 4245 S. Lincoln Rd., Request to allow change of</u> <u>Use for Lincoln Hill Hall from Banquet and Meeting Hall to Fitness Gym per Section</u> <u>9.2</u>

Applicant

Jason Pyles who is purchasing the property from the applicant addressed the Board and stated that he would like to convert the building from a banquet hall to a family fitness center.

Public Hearing

Opened at 7:11 p.m.

Woodruff stated that he received correspondence from adjoining property owner Gerald Konwinski and Malcom Fox from the City of Mt. Pleasant Waste Water Treatment Plant in support of the change in use.

Closed at 7:14 p.m.

<u>ZBA</u>

Engler moved Warner supported to approve USE 1157 – Clarence Tuma Trust 4245 S. Lincoln Rd., request to allow change of use for Lincoln Hill Hall from Banquet and Meeting Hall to Fitness Gym per section 9.2 because it is a less non-conforming use and will compliment the ball fields on this property. Ayes: all. Motion carried.

2.) <u>VRS 1160 – Biuegrass Investment Group, South Side of Bluegrass Road between</u> <u>Isabella Road and a point approximately 1500 feet East of Mission Road. Sign</u> <u>Variances for Union Commons Mall, Menard's Walmart and Sam's Club. Rear</u> <u>Yard Var8iance for Kohl's to attach to Mall Buildings</u>

Veldhuis moved Warner supported to excuse McGuirk due to conflict of interest. Ayes: all. Motion carried.

<u>Applicant</u>

Jay Barnes of Encore Development addressed the Board and stated that these are standard sign packages and because the Mall is located off the main road (Mission), the stores feel that the extra signage is needed.

Public Hearing

Opened at 7:26 p.m.

No comments were offered.

Closed at 7:27 p.m.

<u>ZBA</u>

Engler moved Warner supported to approve the variance for a zero lot line for Kohl's Department Store at the Union Commons Mall. Ayes: all. Motion carried. Engler moved Veldhuis moved to approve the variance for the sign package (attached) for Menard's Retail Store. Ayes: all. Motion carried.

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Engler moved Warner supported to approve the variance request for the pylon signs for the Union Commons Mall, but keeping the maximum height at 35 feet. Ayes: all. Motion carried.

Engler moved Veldhuis supported to approve the variance for Walmart and Sam's Club Sign package (attached). Ayes: all. Motion carried.

Other Business

1.) 2006 Budget

Warner moved Engler supported to approve the 2006 budget as presented. Ayes: all. Motion carried.

2.) 2006 Meeting Schedule

Warner moved Engler supported to approve the 2006 meeting schedule as presented. Ayes: all. Motion carried.

Extended Public Comment No comments were offered.

Adjournment

Engler moved Veldhuis supported to adjourn the meeting at 8:19 p.m. Ayes: all. Motion carried.

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Tim Warner, Secretary

(Recorded by Kathy Blizzard)

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF UNION Zoning Board of Appeals Regular Meeting

A regular meeting of the Charter Township of Zoning Board of Appeals was held on September 7, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. at Union Township Hall.

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Warner moved Woerle supported to name Darin as Secretary Pro Tem in the absence of Secretary McCracken for the September 7, 2016 Zoning Board of Appeals Meeting. Vote: Ayes: 5 Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Roll Call

Present: Mike Darin, Bill Hauck, Jake Hunter, Tim Warner, and Norm Woerle Excused: Bill McCracken

Others Present

Peter Gallinat, Mark Stuhldreher, Jennifer Loveberry, and alternate ZBA member Paul Gross

Approval of Minutes

B. Hauck moved **Hunter** supported the approval of the June 1, 2016 minutes as presented. Vote: **Ayes: 5 Nays 0. Motion carried**.

Correspondence / Board Reports

Woerle gave updates from the Planning Commission.

Approval of Agenda

Darin moved **B. Hauck** supported to approve the agenda adding public hearing before Item A. Vote: Ayes: 5 Nays 0. Motion carried.

Board Agenda

A. Variance 2016-01 Lockey USA Location: 4245 S. Lincoln Rd.

Public Notice was read by Township Planner, Gallinat as well as a brief history of the property.

Tim Beebe, CMS&D on behalf of the applicant presented the request for the variance: 1) to correct change of use and 2) to allow for improvements to the existing structure (allow new office space to be added, giving the street site of the building a face lift, and converting existing interior office space into needed warehouse space. Option 2 was presented to the Zoning Board of Appeals, see attached exhibit A.

Public Hearing open 7:22 p.m.

Joe Fleming, Konwinski Construction, explained structural changes.

Scott Wojcik, Director of Sales at Lockey USA, explained the business of Lockey USA, explained need for space in the building.

Gallinat reported that he did not receive any comments from the public.

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Public Hearing closed 7:25 p.m.

Discussion was held by the board. Their objective is first to determine if the new non-conforming use (Corporate office distribution warehouse) would markedly decrease the degree of nonconformance and would enhance the desirability of adjacent conforming uses. Secondly, would be to determine if the building improvements would not increase or enlarge the degree or manner of nonconformance.

Woerle moved Hunter supported to approve the continued non conforming use as it is decreasing the degree and manner of non conformance. Vote: Ayes: 5 Nays 0. Motion carried.

Hunter moved B. Hauck supported to approve variance 2016-01 Lockey USA, option 2, as the expansion does not increase the degree and manner of non conformance in the area. Vote: Ayes: 3 Nays 2. Motion carried.

Chair Warner stated that there would be a 21 day appeal period before the decision is final.

Public Comment: Restricted to (3) minutes regarding issues not on this Agenda

Tim Beebe – Commented that this parcel should be looked at by the Planning Commission when they review the future land use map.

EXTENDED PUBLIC COMMENT No comments

ADJOURNMENT Chair Warner adjourned the meeting at 8:41 p.m.

APPROVED BY:

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Bill McCracken –Secretary

(Recorded by Jennifer Loveberry)



ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS Regular Meeting September 7, 2016 7:00p.m.

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

- 3. ROLL CALL
- 4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES JUNE 1, 2016
- 5. CORRESPONDENCE / BOARD REPORTS
- 6. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
- 7. BOARD AGENDA
 - A. VARIANCE 2016-01 Lockey USA Location: 4245 S. Lincoln Rd.

8. <u>PUBLIC COMMENT: Restricted to (3) minutes regarding issues not on this agenda</u>

9. EXISTING BUISINESS

10. EXTENDED PUBLIC COMMENT: Restricted to 5 minutes regarding any issue

11. ADJOURNMENT

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF UNION Zoning Board of Appeals Regular Meeting

A special meeting of the Charter Township of Zoning Board of Appeals was held on June 1, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. at Union Township Hall.

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Roll Call

Present: Hauck, Hunter, McCracken, Warner, and Woerle Excused: Darin Absent: Gross

Others Present Peter Gallinat & Jennifer Loveberry

<u>Approval of Minutes</u> Hauck moved Woerle supported the approval of the December 2, 2015 minutes as presented. Ayes: 5 Nays 0. Motion carried.

<u>Correspondence / Board Reports</u> Woerle gave updates from the Planning Commission.

Approval of Agenda McCracken moved Hauck supported to approve the agenda as presented. Ayes: 5 Nays 0. Motion carried.

Public Comment: Restricted to (3) minutes regarding issues not on this Agenda Open 7:09 p.m. - No comments

EXTENDED PUBLIC COMMENT Open 7:11 p.m. – No comments

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Warner adjourned the meeting at 7:11 p.m.

APPROVED BY:

Bill McCracken-Secretary

(Recorded by Jennifer Loveberry)



Peter Gallinat, Township Planner pgallinat@uniontownshipmi.com 2010 South Lincoln Mt. Pleasant, M1 48858 Phone 989-772-4600 Ext. 241 Fax 989-773-1988

TO:Zoning Board of AppealsFROM:Township PlannerSUBJECT:Variance 2016-01 Lockey USA

Location: 4245 S. Lincoln Rd. Mt Pleasant, MI 48858 Current Zoning: R-1 One Family Residential District

Adjacent Zoning: R-1 to the north, R-1 to the south, R-1 to the west, AG (agriculture) to the east across the road.

Future Land Use/Intent: Agriculture A-3/ Buffer existing agricultural or undeveloped land from new development. Desired uses in this area follow the existing zoning.

Current Use: non-conforming (distribution center, corporate office and warehousing) **Reason for Request:** Section 9.2 change of use.

History: 11 years ago the use of the existing building on the existing parcel was for a banquet hall. The ZBA held a variance hearing to change the use from the non-conforming banquet hall to the non-conforming use of a fitness center. The board granted the variance on December 7, 2005 finding the new non-conforming use would markedly decrease the degree of non conformance and would enhance the desirability of adjacent conforming uses. In 2012 the building use changed to the new non-conforming use of a corporate office and distribution center. I could find no record where the ZBA held a public hearing and found that this new non-conforming use would markedly decrease the degree of non conforming use would markedly decrease the degree of non conformance and would enhance the desirability of adjacent conforming uses.

Objective of board: First to determine if the new non-conforming use (Corporate office distribution warehouse) would markedly decrease the degree of nonconformance and would enhance the desirability of adjacent conforming uses. The second is to determine if the building improvements would not increase or enlarge the degree or manner of nonconformance.

Recommendation: When moving from one non-conforming use to another the board determines if the new use would markedly decrease the degree of non conformance and would enhance the desirability of adjacent conforming uses. The reason behind this is to gradually bring the use into conformance with what would be a permitted use for the district. As stated in Section 14.1 "This District is intended for rural residential homes and customary farming activities. The intent of this District is to maintain the rural residential atmosphere of the community with large lots and low-density uses. It is designed for a mix of low-density residential uses and agricultural areas" With a fitness center/gym you have a business open to the public which creates customers coming and going. What Lockey USA proposes is a business with no retail sales on the premise which eliminates customers coming and going. I would recommend approval of this new non-conforming use. I find this to be a markedly decrease in the degree of nonconformance and would enhance the desirability of adjacent conforming uses. On the question of building improvements I would not recommend approval. The building

improvements call for the addition of 2,151.3 square feet for office space. These changes would also allow existing office space for needed warehouse space as the business has grown the last 4 years. This is an increase of nonconformance. We have to remember that the use as a corporate office with distribution and warehousing is not permitted in an R-1 District. Therefore any type increase or expansion of this use is an increase of nonconformance. Some may find this increase to be small but the size of the increase is not the issue. The issue is that there is an increase and it is an increase for a non-conforming use. I would vote to allow the new non-conforming use without any increase or enlargement.

Peter Gallinat

Twp Planner

ATTACHMENT

Lockey USA of 4245 South Lincoln Road, Mt. Pleasant, Michigan purchased the approximately 4 acre site in June of 2012 and they have been running their Commercial Business from this location since.

The structure is and always has been a commercial business. Prior to 2005, a banquet hall was operated at the site. From 2005 to 2012, a fitness center was operated. The structure is not a residential dwelling that has been converted. It is a steel structure, built specifically for commercial activities. At the time the structure was built, the zoning classification was either Agricultural or Residential. The current zoning classification is R-1 (Single Family Residential). At no time has this property or structure been used as a residential dwelling.

The Lockey parcel is bounded on the North and East by the City of Mt. Pleasant, water treatment plant and lagoons. It is bounded on the South by Sacred Heart's Athletic fields, parking lot, stands and concisions. On the West boundary is Lincoln Road and an open farm field. The nearest residential use to the South is approximately 1000 feet away. The nearest residential use to the North is approximately 400 feet away. The residential use to the North (4141 South Lincoln) is bounded on the North, East and South by Commercial Use properties. Although the entire 55 acres that lies in the most Northwesterly corner of Section 28 is zoned as residential, 41.5 acres or 75 percent of this land has a form of commercial use on it.

There was no information available from Township Staff on the approvals given at the time of construction. However in 2005, a request was made to the ZBA to change the non-conforming banquet hall to a lesser non-conforming use as a fitness center. Based on Staff's research, there was no application made in 2012 for the less intensive use of a warehouse/storage and related office space.

This request is being made for the following reasons:

- 1) To correct an oversight of change in use in 2012 from a fitness center to warehouse and supporting office space.
- 2) To allow for improvements to the existing structure. To allow new office space to be added, giving the street side of the building a face lift and converting existing interior office space into needed warehouse space.

The proposed improvements would allow Lockey USA to meet the needs of their clients.

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Thus, we are submitting to the Zoning Board of Appeals for a determination of reduction in non-conformity of 4245 South Lincoln Road from a Commercial Fitness Center to a Warehouse/Storage and Related Office Space, with the proposed building improvements.

The Application Form which is used to apply to the Zoning Board of Appeals does not work well for this type of request. The form is set up for variance requests and/or textmap interpretations. For this reason, we have noted in each of the 7 areas of the application, to refer to this "Attachment".

We have attached the existing site survey and the proposed building improvements for your reference. It is our belief that the Fitness Center, which was run, brought people and traffic to this location all through out the early morning, day and evening. The traffic and impact associated with a fitness center is far more intense than that of the Current Lockey USA facility. We believe that the proposed face lift to the building will be a welcomed improvement to the front view of the site and that this reduction in overall impact to the neighboring area from a Fitness Center will be a welcomed reduction.

Granting this reduction in overall impact will not grant any special privileges to the site. It will further restrict the property from its currently allowed use to a lesser impact use. If this application were to be denied and a strict enforcement of the ordinance were to be taken, the business, which has now operated for 4 years, would no longer be allowed and proposed facial improvements would not be allowed to be made.

As to special conditions and/or circumstances that are particular to this land and structure that are different from other lands and structures is that this is not a converted property from residential to commercial use. The location was originally built as commercial and has never been used as residential.

We hope that this "Attachment" has provided sufficient information for your discussion and determination of our request and we look forward to the opportunity to discuss this with you.

Respectfully Submitted,

On Behalf of Lockey, USA By Central Michigan Surveying & Development Co., Inc.

Timothy Bebee President

Section 3.13 B-4, General Business District

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

The intent of this district is to provide for commercial development that offers a broad range of goods and services to meet the convenience and comparison shopping needs of Township residents. Because of the variety of business types permitted in the B-4 District, special attention must be focused on site layout, building design, vehicular and pedestrian circulation, and coordination of site features between adjoining uses. General Business developments should be compatible in design with adjacent commercial development and buffered from or located away from residential areas.

PRINCIPAL PERMITTED USES	SPECIAL USES
 PRINCIPAL PERMITTED USES Auction, Permanent Automobile Wash when Completely or Partially Enclosed in a Building Automobile repair shop or garage if all operations are conducted in an enclosed building Beauty and Barber Shops Brewpub Bus, Train, and other Forms of Transportation Systems, Passenger Stations Business Schools, Colleges, and Private Schools Operated for Profit Convenience Store Day Care Center, Child or Adult Distillery, Small Essential Services Financial Institutions Food Truck Court Gunsmith Health, Exercise Club, or Spa Home Improvement Store Hospitality Facility Hotels Indoor Gun and Archery Ranges Instant Oil Change Shop Massage Therapist Medical, Osteopathic, Optical or Dental Offices Microbrewery Mixed Use Buildings Mortuary Establishments, Funeral Homes Office, Professional, Technical or Administrative 	 SPECIAL USES Amusement Parks Dealership, Vehicle, Automobile Dealership and Farm Equipment Sales Hospital Kennel, Boarding Miniature Golf and/or Driving Ranges Motor Vehicle Filling Station, Gas Station Nursing Home Open Air Businesses Plumbing, Heating, and Electrical Shops Self-storage Facilities (Mini-Warehouse, Mini-Storage) Sign Painting and Servicing Shops Wireless Communication Towers Accessory Use, Building or Structure Donation Bins Food Truck, Temporary Use Outdoor Seating Area Outdoor Temporary Retail Sales Solar Energy Facility – Director Use
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	 Solar Energy Facility – Director Use
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Personal Fitness Center	
 Personal Service Establishments 	
Pet Grooming	
Pet Obedience School Det Shap	
Pet ShopPharmacy	
 Private Clubs, Fraternal Organizations, and Lodge Halls 	
 Religious Institutions 	
Restaurants, Carry-Out	
Restaurants, Standard	
Retail, General	
 Shopping Centers and Big-Box Stores 	
Supermarket	
 Theaters, Assembly Halls, Concert Halls, and Similar Places of Assembly 	
 Tire and Battery Shops Veterinary Clinic 	

• Wine Maker, Small

The above list is a summary of uses permitted in the district. Refer to Section 6 for requirements applicable to specific uses. In case of a conflict between Section 3.4 and the above list, Section 3.4 shall prevail.

Lot Standards		Minimum Setbacks (ft.)	
Minimum Lot Width (ft.):	80	Front Yard :	20
Minimum Lot Area (sq. ft.):	12,000	Side Yard ^(j) :	10
Maximum Lot Coverage:	50%	Rear Yard ^(j) :	20
Minimum Floor Area Per Unit (sq. ft.):			
Maximum Building Height (ft.):	35		

Footnotes: See Section 4.3.

The above list of Required Dimensions is a summary. Refer to Section 4 for dimensions applicable in each district. In case of a conflict between Section 4 and the above list, Section 4 shall prevail.

REFERENCES TO ADDITIONAL STANDARDS										
Site Plan Review	Environmental Performance Standards									
Section 14.2	Section 7	Section 8								
Landscaping and Screening	Accessory Uses and Structures	Exterior Lighting								
Section 10	Section 7.5	Section 8.2								
Signs	Nonconformities	Parking								
Section 11	Section 12	Section 9								

[as amended 11/10/21]

Section 3.14 B-5, Highway Business District

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE The intent of this district is to provide areas along major roads and highways for commercial development that caters to the traveling public. Whether freestanding or in a planned shopping center, businesses should be designed to achieve a harmonious design along the corridor, with coordinated access, parking, sidewalks, landscaping and screening **PRINCIPAL PERMITTED USES** SPECIAL USES Adult Regulated Uses Distribution Center Amusement Enterprises Kennel, Boarding • Auction, Permanent Motor Vehicle Filling Station, Gas Station • Automobile Wash when Completely or Partially Enclosed in a Building Nursing Home Automobile repair shop or garage, if all operations are conducted in an **Open Air Businesses** enclosed building Research Laboratories, Prototype Design and • · Beauty and Barber Shops Development · Self-storage Facilities (Mini-Warehouse, Mini- Brewpub Bus, Train, and other Forms of Transportation Systems, Passenger Stations Storage) Business Schools, Colleges, and Private Schools Operated for Profit · Warehousing and Wholesale Trade Establishments Convenience Store • Wireless Communication Towers • Day Care Center, Child or Adult Dealership, Vehicle, Automobile Dealership, and Farm Equipment Sales ACCESSORY USES Distillery, Small Accessory Use, Building or Structure • Essential Services • Donation Bins **Financial Institutions** • Food Truck, Temporary Use • Food Truck Court Outdoor Seating Area Gunsmith Outdoor Temporary Retail Sales · Health, Exercise Club, or Spa Solar Energy Facility – Direct Use Home Improvement Store Hospital · Hospitality Facility Hotels ٠ • Indoor Commercial Recreation Indoor Gun and Archery Ranges Instant Oil Change Shop Massage Therapist Medical, Osteopathic, Optical or Dental Offices • Microbrewery ٠ • Mixed Use Buildings Mortuary Establishments, Funeral Homes Office, Professional, Technical or Administrative • Personal Fitness Center Personal Service Establishments Pet Grooming Pet Obedience School Pet Shop Pharmacy Plumbing, Heating, and Electrical Shops Private Clubs, Fraternal Organizations, and Lodge Halls **Religious Institutions** Restaurants, Bar/Lounge Restaurants, Carry-Out • Restaurants. Standard ٠ Restaurants, Drive-in or Drive-Through ٠ Retail, General Shopping Centers and Big-Box Stores • Sign Painting and Servicing Shops • Supermarket • Theaters, Assembly Halls, Concert Halls, and Similar Places of Assembly Tire and Battery Shops Veterinary Clinic · Wine Maker, Small

The above list is a summary of uses permitted in the district. Refer to Section 6 for requirements applicable to specific uses. In case of a conflict between Section 3.4 and the above list, Section 3.4 shall prevail

REQUIRED DIMENSIONS										
Lot Standards		Minimum Setbacks (ft.)								
Minimum Lot Width (ft.):	100	Front Yard :	20							
Minimum Lot Area (sq. ft.):	16,000	Side Yard ^(j) :	10							
Maximum Lot Coverage:	50%	Rear Yard ^(j) :	20							
Minimum Floor Area Per Unit (sq. ft.):										
Maximum Building Height (ft.):	45									

Footnotes: See Section 4.3.

The above list of Required Dimensions is a summary. Refer to Section 4 for dimensions applicable in each district. In case of a conflict between Section 4 and the above list, Section 4 shall prevail.

REFERENCES TO ADDITIONAL STANDARDS								
Site Plan Review	Environmental Performance Standards							
Section 14.2	Section 7	Section 8						
Landscaping and Screening	Accessory Uses and Structures	Exterior Lighting						
Section 10	Section 7.5	Section 8.2						
Signs	Nonconformities	Parking						
Section 11	Section 12	Section 9						

Section 3.15 B-7, Retail and Service Highway Business District

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

The intent of this district is to promote the high quality commercial and office development in the vicinity of M-20 and Pickard Road. Requirements and incentives are provided to promote vehicular and pedestrian safety, control traffic congestion, and improve the visual appearance of the district through proper landscaping, buffering and screening.

 Auction, Permanent Beauty and Barber Shops Brewpub Bus, Train, and other Forms of Transportation Systems, Passenger Stations Business Schools, Colleges, and Private Schools Operated for Profit Convenience Store Distribution Center Kennel, Boarding Manufacturing, Light Mobile and Modular Home Sales Distribution Center Kennel, Boarding Motor Vehicle Filling Station, Gas Station Nursing Home Open Air Businesses Research Laboratories, Prototype Design and Development Warehousing and Wholesale Trade Establishments Hoaby Tharmacy Mixed Use Buildings Motruary Establishments, Funeral Homes Office, Professional, Technical or Administrative Personal Fitness Center Personal Fitness Cent	PRINCIPAL PERMITTED USES	SPECIAL USES
 Tire and Battery Shops Veterinary Clinic Wine Maker, Small 	 Adult Regulated Uses Auction, Permanent Beauty and Barber Shops Brewpub Bus, Train, and other Forms of Transportation Systems, Passenger Stations Business Schools, Colleges, and Private Schools Operated for Profit Convenience Store Distillery, Small Essential Services Financial Institutions Gunsmith Health, Exercise Club, or Spa Hospital Hospital Hospital Indoor Commercial Recreation Indoor Gun and Archery Ranges Instant Oil Change Shop Massage Therapist Medical, Osteopathic, Optical or Dental Offices Microbrewery Mixed Use Buildings Mortuary Establishments, Funeral Homes Office, Professional, Technical or Administrative Personal Fitness Center Personal Fitness Center Personal Fitness Centor Pharmacy Plumbing, Heating, and Electrical Shops Private Clubs, Fraternal Organizations, and Lodge Halls Religious Institutions Restaurants, Bar/Lounge Restaurants, Carry-Out Restaurants, Standard Restaurants, Standard Restaurants, Mith Drive-Through Retail, General Sign Painting and Servicing Shops Supermarket Tire and Battery Shops Veterinary Clinic 	 Automobile Wash when Completely or Partially Enclosed in a Building Automobile repair shop or garage if all operations are conducted in an enclosed building Dealership, Vehicle, Automobile Dealership, and Farm Equipment Sales Distribution Center Kennel, Boarding Manufacturing, Light Mobile and Modular Home Sales Motor Vehicle Filling Station, Gas Station Nursing Home Open Air Businesses Research Laboratories, Prototype Design and Development Warehousing and Wholesale Trade Establishments Wireless Communication Towers Accessory Use, Building or Structure Donation Bins Food Truck, Temporary Use Outdoor Storage, General Outdoor Temporary Retail Sales

case of a conflict between Section 3.4 and the above list, Section 3.4 shall prevail.

Lot Standards		Minimum Setbacks (ft.)	Minimum Setbacks (ft.)							
Minimum Lot Width (ft.) ():	130	Front Yard:	20							
Minimum Lot Area (sq. ft.):	20,000	Side Yard ^(j) :	10							
Maximum Lot Coverage ^(I) :	50%	Rear Yard ^(j) :	20							
Minimum Floor Area Per Unit (sq. ft.):										
Maximum Building Height (ft.):	45									

The above list of Required Dimensions is a summary. Refer to Section 4 for dimensions applicable in each district. In case of a conflict between Section 4 and the above list, Section 4 shall prevail.

REFERENCES TO ADDITIONAL STANDARDS										
Site Plan Review	Environmental Performance Standards									
Section 14.2	Section 8									
Landscaping and Screening	Accessory Uses and Structures	Exterior Lighting								
Section 10	Section 7.5	Section 8.2								
Signs	Nonconformities	Parking								
Section 11	Section 12	Section 9								

Section 3.16 I-1, Light Industrial District

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

It is the intent of this district to provide sufficient land area in appropriate locations to meet the Township's expected needs for light industrial, wholesale, and warehousing activities. It is intended that the external physical effects from such operations be confined to the I-1 District, to avoid detrimental impact on adjoining lands. Industrial uses that are prone to fire, explosions, toxic hazards, offensive noise, vibrations, smoke, odors, or other nuisances are prohibited.

This district is intended for manufacturing, compounding, processing, packaging, assembly and/or treatment of finished or semifinished products from previously prepare material. It is not intended for the processing of raw material for shipment in bulk form to be used in an industrial operation in another location.

Light Industrial Districts should be thoughtfully planned to separate industrial activities from less intensive land uses, make efficient use of the land, and conserve property values.

PRINCIPAL PERMITTED USES	SPECIAL USES
 Agricultural Processing and Packaging Auctions, Permanent Automobile repair shop or garage if all operations are conducted in an enclosed building Contractor's Yard Distiller Distribution Center Dry Cleaning Plant, Commercial Laundry Essential Services Kennel, Boarding Landscape Contractor's Operation Major Repair and Maintenance Operations Manufacturing, Light Motor Freight Facility Outdoor Storage, General Recycling Collection Station Research Laboratories, Prototype Design and Development Self-storage Facilities (Mini-Warehouse, Mini-Storage) Track or Industrial Schools Truck Terminal Warehousing and Wholesale Trade Establishments Wine Maker Wireless Communication Towers 	 Automobile or Vehicle Storage Manufacturing, General Oil or Gas Processing Plant Racetracks Truck Stop Vehicle Impoundment Lot Wind Energy Conversion System – On-Site ACCESSORY USES Accessory Use, Building or Structure Day Care Center, Child or Adult Food Truck, Temporary Use Limited Retail and Showroom Operations Office, Professional, Technical or Administrative Solar Energy Facility – Direct Use

The above list is a summary of uses permitted in the district. Refer to Section 6 for requirements applicable to specific uses. In case of a conflict between Section 3.4 and the above list, Section 3.4 shall prevail.

REQUIRED DIMENSIONS			
Lot Standards		Minimum Setbacks (ft.)	
Minimum Lot Width (ft.):	100	Front Yard ⁽ⁱ⁾ :	25
Minimum Lot Area (sq. ft.):	43,560	Side Yard ^(k) :	20
Maximum Lot Coverage:	60%	Rear Yard ^(k) :	30
Minimum Floor Area Per Unit (sq. ft.):			
Maximum Building Height (ft.):	60		

Footnotes: See Section 4.3.

The above list of Required Dimensions is a summary. Refer to Section 4 for dimensions applicable in each district. In case of a conflict between Section 4 and the above list, Section 4 shall prevail.

REFERENCES TO ADDITIONAL STANDARDS										
Site Plan ReviewGeneral ProvisionsEnvironmental PerformanceSection 14.2Section 7StandardsSection 8Section 8										
Landscaping and Screening	Accessory Uses and Structures	<i>Exterior Lighting</i>								
Section 10	Section 7.5	Section 8.2								
Signs	Nonconformities	Parking								
Section 11	Section 12	Section 9								



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ZONING ORDINANCE AMENDMENT REPORT

TO:Planning CommissionDATE:October 31, 2022FROM:Rodney C. Nanney, AICPCommunity and Economic Development DirectorPROJECT:PTXT 22-01 - Proposed Zoning Ordinance text amendmentsACTIONS REQUESTED:To introduce, discuss, and consider scheduling a public hearing for the
PTXT 22-01 set of proposed text amendments to the Zoning Ordinance No. 20-06.

Background Information

During the adoption process for our current Zoning Ordinance No. 20-06 (which went into effect in September of 2020), our project consultant noted that with any comprehensive Zoning Ordinance update project it is expected that some details may be identified for correction as the new ordinance is implemented. In November of last year, an initial set of "punch list" amendments were adopted by the Board of Trustees after a Planning Commission public hearing and recommendation for approval.

As staff has continued to administer the new Zoning Ordinance, some additional issues have arisen that are best resolved through consideration of amendments. In addition, new or amended state laws require corresponding changes to the Zoning Ordinance.

Summary of Proposed Amendments

Additional background information is provided below to highlight various changes to the Zoning Ordinance included in this set of proposed amendments:

Correcting Gaps in the Allowable Uses.

The definition of "Public and Institutional Buildings and Uses" is proposed to be revised, and "Dwelling, Accessory," "Bakeries," "Printing, Copying, and Bookbinding Operations," and various recreation facilities are proposed to be added to eliminate staff-identified gaps in our current list of allowable uses in various zoning districts.

Where needed, appropriate standards for these uses have been added or updated in Section 6.

Correcting Errors and Regulatory Conflicts.

Several typographical errors are proposed to be corrected, and outdated references in a number of sections to Township Board approval of special uses will be removed. Changes in state law require us to amend the licensed capacity limits for family and group day care homes, and to insert "qualified residential treatment programs for 10 or fewer individuals" as an allowable use in districts where single-family dwellings are allowed.

A regulatory conflict identified by the Zoning Administrator related to provisions for nonconforming single-family dwellings is proposed to be resolved by inserting a new Section 12.6 to more properly and completely address the concerns of mortgage companies and insurance companies related to replacement of a damaged or destroyed nonconforming dwelling.

The responsibilities of the Zoning Administrator (listed in Section 13.5.B.) are also proposed to be updated to remove inconsistencies between the provisions of this subsection and the established job description for this position.

Planned Unit Development (PUD) Updates

The eligibility criteria and provisions for permitted uses in a PUD project are proposed to be updated to clarify and expand the criteria for consideration of a potential project for PUD review, to expand land use options that can be considered on a PUD Concept Plan, and to better integrate the Master Plan into the land use review component of the PUD review process. An additional amendment to the "regulatory flexibility" subsection is intended to allow proposed "limited deviations" to signage standards to also be considered as part of a PUD application.

Self-storage Buildings.

To correct a regulatory conflict, self-storage buildings are proposed to be added back into the table in Section 3.4 (to match the reference in Section 3.13). To minimize impacts on a vibrant business district and to maximize the economic development potential of the limited amount of vacant industrial land in the Township, additional location and site arrangement standards are proposed to be added to Section 6.38 and these facilities are proposed to be moved to require special use permit approval in the Industrial Districts. The minimum parking standard is also proposed to be revised to eliminate the potential for excessive or unnecessary required parking.

Zoning Board of Appeals

<u>The typo correction I referenced during our October meeting has been corrected.</u> Amendments are proposed to consolidate all Zoning Board of Appeals-related provisions into one section (these provisions are currently incomplete and divided between Sections 13.4 and 14.4), to correct inconsistencies in the current text with sections 601, 603, and 604 of the Michigan Zoning Enabling Act (Public Act 110 of 2006, as amended), to correct discrepancies in the application requirements, and to clarify and expand upon the variance criteria related to "substantial justice."

As part of the updates, a clarification is also proposed to be made related to the timing of application or appeal. For any land use, structure or other project that is subject by a provision of this Ordinance to review and action or interpretation by the Planning Commission or Zoning Administrator, an application to the Zoning Board of Appeals shall only be accepted for review and a public hearing subsequent to the conclusion of that administrative process.

Board of Trustees Goals Addressed

Board of Trustees goals addressed from Policy 1.0: Global End, of the Board of Trustees' Policy Governance document:

1. Community well-being and common good

- 3. Safety
- 4. Health
- 6. Commerce

The proposed set of amendments will help to ensure that the Township's Zoning Ordinance supports a sustainable community (1.0) and provides for fair and nondiscriminatory code enforcement (1.1.1.2). The updated provisions are intended in part to help ensure that all residents of all ages and abilities may enjoy a safe environment (1.3), have access to facilities that enable an active, healthy lifestyle (1.4), and can take pride in their community (1.1.1.3). The commerce-friendly changes proposed to the standards for the Business Districts and Industrial Districts are intended to support economic development and further encourage innovative and traditional commercial establishments to locate in the Township (1.6), while also providing for reasonable regulation of potentially undesirable businesses designed to minimize adverse impacts on neighboring properties and land uses (1.6.1).

Objective

Planning Commission review of the proposed set of Zoning Ordinance text amendments in anticipation of setting a public hearing date for the amendments.

Recommendation

The proposed set of Zoning Ordinance text amendments compiled by staff are ready for an introduction and initial review by the Planning Commission. If the Commission determines that the proposed amendments are ready for a public hearing, I would ask that the Planning Commission take action to set a public hearing date for the PTXT 22-01 proposed amendments to Sections 2 (Definitions), 3 (Zoning Districts and Maps), 5 (Supplemental Zoning District Standards), 6 (Standards Applicable to Specific Land Uses), 7 (General Provisions), 9 (Parking, Loading, and Access Management), 12 (Nonconformities), 13 (Administrative Organization), and 14 (Administrative Procedures) of the Zoning Ordinance No. 20-06.

Please contact me at (989) 772-4600 ext. 232, or via email at rnanney@uniontownshipmi.com, with any questions about this information.

Respectfully submitted,

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF UNION ISABELLA COUNTY, MICHIGAN

ORDINANCE NO.

An ordinance to amend the Charter Township of Union Zoning Ordinance No. 20-06 by amending Sections 2 (Definitions), 3 (Zoning Districts and Maps), 5 (Supplemental Zoning District Standards), 6 (Standards Applicable to Specific Land Uses), 7 (General Provisions), 9 (Parking, Loading, and Access Management), 12 (Nonconformities), 13 (Administrative Organization), and 14 (Administrative Procedures) by authority of the Michigan Zoning Enabling Act, Public Act 110 of 2006, as amended (MCL 125.3101 et seq.); to provide for repeal; to provide for severability; to provide for publication; and to provide an effective date.

Proposed additions to the current text of the Zoning Ordinance are highlighted below in <u>blue</u> <u>underlined text</u> and proposed deletions are shown using<u>red strikethrough text</u>. Where an entirely new section or sub-section is proposed, this is stated in the header, with the new text left unhighlighted for readability.

THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF UNION, ISABELLA COUNTY, MICHIGAN, HEREBY ORDAINS:

PART ONE – Title

This Ordinance shall be known and may be referred to as the "Charter Township of Union Ordinance Number _____, Ordinance Amending the Charter Township of Union Zoning Ordinance."

PART TWO – Amendments to Section 2.2 (Definitions)

Section 2.2 (Definitions) is hereby amended to Delete "Unit" from "Dwelling, Accessory;" to revise the definition; to delete the duplicative "Dwelling, Accessory Apartment" definition; to amend the "public and institutional buildings and uses" to include K-12 school buildings in the definition; and to amend the state-licensed capacities of family and group child day care homes consistent with recent changes to state law.

Section 2.2 Definitions

Dwelling, Accessory Apartment: A dwelling unit that is accessory to and contained within a principal single family dwelling, and which is occupied by either persons related to the occupant of the principal residence by blood, marriage, or legal adoption; domestic servants; or gratuitous guests. An 'accessory apartment' commonly has its own kitchen, bath, living area, sleeping area, and usually a separate entrance.

Dwelling-Unit, Accessory: A second<u>ary</u> dwelling <u>unit</u> that is <u>accessory to and</u> located on the same <u>property premises</u> as <u>a the</u> principal dwelling <u>unit</u>, <u>included in the same deed</u>, <u>title</u>, <u>parcel/tax identification number as the principal dwelling unit</u>, and which cannot be sold or leased-separately from the principal dwelling <u>unit</u>, and which does not contain a kitchen.

Public and Institutional Buildings and Uses: Principal structures dedicated to the use by the public or government operations. For the purposes of this Ordinance, Public and Institutional Buildings shall include libraries, museums, municipal offices, County, State, or Federal Offices, police and fire stations, <u>K-12 schools</u>, and other buildings used by the public or government. Exceptions: <u>K-12 Schools</u>, <u>Colleges</u>, <u>universities</u>-Institutions of Higher Education, <u>and</u> publicly-owned recreational facility buildings shall be defined as described in this section, and shall not be considered Public and Institutional Buildings.

State-Licensed Residential Facility: Any structure constructed for residential purposes and licensed by the State of Michigan pursuant to Michigan Public Act 116 of 1973 (the Child Care Licensing Act) or Michigan Public Act 218 of 1979 (the Adult Foster Care Facility Licensing Act), including adult foster care facilities, foster family homes, foster family group homes, family day care homes, and group day care homes.

- B. <u>Child day care:</u> The care and supervision for periods of less than 24 hours a day of minor children, unattended by a parent or legal guardian, except children related to an adult member of the family by blood, marriage, or adoption.
 - (1) Family child <u>day</u> care home: A private home in which <u>one but fewer than up to</u> seven (7) minor children are received for child day care, including a home in which care is given to an unrelated minor child for more than four (4) weeks during a calendar year.
 - (2) Group child <u>day</u> care home: A private home in which more than six but not more than 12-up to 14 minor children are received for child day care, including a home in which care is given to an unrelated minor child for more than four (4) weeks during a calendar year.

PART THREE – Amendments to Section 3.4 (Permitted Uses by District)

Section 3.4 (Permitted Uses by District) is hereby amended to remove a regulatory conflict by specifying the zoning districts where "Dwelling, Accessory" would be an allowable use, to insert "qualified residential treatment programs" as an allowable use consistent with recent state law changes, to correct a typographical error by inserting "universities" into the table, to clarify and expand provisions for recreation facilities in certain zoning districts, and to add bakeries and printing, copying, and bookbinding facilities into the business and industrial districts, as follows:

Key: A=Accessory Use P=Principal Permitted Use S=Special Use [blank]=Use Not Permitted

Land Use	AG	R-1	R-2A	R-2B	R-3A	R-3B	R-4	B-4	B-5	B-7	님	I-2	SO	Use Standards
Residential Uses														
Child or Day Care, Family Home	Р	Ρ	Ρ	Ρ	Ρ	Ρ	Ρ							Section 6.14
Dwelling, Accessory	S	S	S	S										Section 6.56

	AG	R-1	R-2A	R-2B	R-3A	R-3B	R-4	B-4	B-5	B-7	I-1	I-2	SO	
Land Use														Use Standards
Qualified residential treatment program for 10 or														
fewer individuals	<u>P</u>	<u>P</u>	<u>P</u>	<u>P</u>										Section 6.42
Public, Quasi-Public, and Recreational Uses			I	I	<u> </u>		<u> </u>							
Airports, Public or Private	S													Section 6.3
Amusement Parks	•							S						Section 6.4
Amusement Enterprises								•	Ρ					
Bus, Train, and other Forms of Transportation								_		_				
Systems, Passenger Stations								Ρ	Ρ	Ρ				
Business Schools, Colleges, Universities, and									_					
Private Schools Operated for Profit								Ρ	Ρ	Ρ				
Campgrounds or Recreation Grounds	S													Section 6.10
Cemeteries, Public or Private, including														
Mausoleums	Р													Section 6.11
Conservation Areas, Public or Private	S													
Country Clubs and Golf Courses	S	S	S	S	S	S								Section 6.12
Health, Exercise Club, or Spa								Ρ	Ρ	Ρ				
Indoor Commercial or Privately-Owned								Р	Р	Р			0	
Recreation Facilities								٢	٢	٢			<u>s</u>	
Indoor Publicly-Owned Recreation Facilities	S	<u>S</u>	P	Ρ	Ρ	Ρ		Ρ	<u>P</u>	Ρ			<u>S</u>	Section 6.34
Indoor Gun and Archery Range	S							Ρ	Ρ	Ρ				
Miniature Golf and/or Driving Ranges	S							S						Section 6.23
Municipal Public Utility Uses, such as Water														
Treatment Plants and Reservoirs, Sewage												Р		
Treatment Plants, including outdoor storage														
Outdoor Commercial or Privately Owned	S							s						
Recreation Facilities								×						
Outdoor Publicly-Owned Recreation Facilities	S	<u>S</u>	Ρ	Ρ	P	P							<u>P</u>	
Private Clubs, Fraternal Organizations, and Lodge Halls								Ρ	Ρ	Ρ				
Public and Institutional Buildings and Uses	S	S	S-P	Q P	S P	S P							S-P	Section 6.34
Religious Institutions	S	s	P	P	P	P		Р	Р	Р			P	Section 6.34
Theaters, Assembly Halls, Concert Halls, and	0			-		-		-	-					
Similar Places of Assembly								Ρ	Ρ					
Trade or Industrial Schools											Ρ	Ρ		
Commercial and Retail Uses														
Bakeries								P	Ρ	Ρ	<u>P</u>	Р		Section 6.43
Printing, Copying, and Bookbinding Operations								P	P	P	P	Р		Section 6.43
Other Uses														
Self-storage Facilities (Mini-Warehouse, Mini- Storage)								<u>s</u>	s		₽- <u>S</u>	₽ <u></u>		Section 6.38

PART FOUR – Amendments to Section 3.6 (AG, Agricultural District)

The lists of Principal Permitted Uses and Special Uses in Section 3.6 are hereby amended, as follows:

- A. Add the following as allowable Principal Permitted Uses in the AG zoning district:
 - Qualified residential treatment programs for 10 or fewer individuals
- B. Add the following as allowable Special Uses in the AG zoning district:
 - Dwelling, Accessory
 - Indoor Publicly-Owned Recreation Facilities

- Outdoor Commercial or Privately-Owned Recreation Facilities
- Outdoor Publicly-Owned Recreation Facilities

PART FIVE – Amendments to Section 3.7 (R-1, Rural Residential District)

The lists of Principal Permitted Uses and Special Uses in Section 3.7 are hereby amended, as follows:

- A. Add the following as allowable Principal Permitted Uses in the R-1 zoning district:
 - Qualified residential treatment programs for 10 or fewer individuals
- B. Add the following as allowable Special Uses in the R-1 zoning district:
 - Dwelling, Accessory
 - Indoor Publicly-Owned Recreation Facilities
 - Outdoor Publicly-Owned Recreation Facilities

PART SIX – Amendments to Section 3.8 (R-2A, One- and Two-Family, Low-Density Residential District) and to Section 3.9 (R-2B, One- and Two-Family, Medium-Density Residential District)

The lists of Principal Permitted Uses and Special Uses in Section 3.8 and Section 3.9 are hereby amended, as follows:

- A. Add the following as allowable Principal Permitted Uses in the R-2A and R-2B zoning districts:
 - Qualified residential treatment programs for 10 or fewer individuals
 - Indoor Publicly-Owned Recreation Facilities
 - Outdoor Publicly-Owned Recreation Facilities
- B. Add the following as allowable Special Uses in the R-2A and R-2B zoning districts:
 - Dwelling, Accessory
- C. Move "Public and Institutional Buildings and Uses" from the list of allowable Special Uses to the list of Principal Permitted Uses in the R-2A and R-2B zoning districts.

<u>PART SEVEN – Amendments to Section 3.10 (R-3A, Multiple-Family Residential District) and</u> <u>Section 3.11 (R-3B, Medium-Density Multiple-Family Residential District)</u>

The lists of Principal Permitted Uses and Special Uses in Section 3.10 and Section 3.11 are hereby amended, as follows:

- A. Add the following as allowable Principal Permitted Uses in the R-3A and R-3B zoning districts:
 - Qualified residential treatment programs for 10 or fewer individuals
 - Indoor Publicly-Owned Recreation Facilities
 - Outdoor Publicly-Owned Recreation Facilities
- B. Add the following as allowable Special Uses in the R-3A and R-3B zoning districts:
 - Dwelling, Accessory

C. Move "Public and Institutional Buildings and Uses" from the list of allowable Special Uses to the list of Principal Permitted Uses in the R-3A and R-3B zoning districts.

PART EIGHT – Amendments to Section 3.13 (B-4, General Business District), Section 3.14 (B-5, Highway Business District, and Section 3.15 (B-7, Retail and Service Highway Business District)

The lists of Principal Permitted Uses and Special Uses in Section 3.13, Section 3.14, and Section 3.15 are hereby amended, as follows:

- A. Add the following as allowable Principal Permitted Uses in the B-4, B-5, and B-7 zoning districts:
 - Indoor Publicly-Owned Recreation Facilities
 - Bakeries
 - Printing, Copying, and Bookbinding Operations
- B. Add the following as allowable Special Uses only in the B-4 zoning district:
 - Outdoor Commercial or Privately-Owned Recreation Facilities
- C. Revise the titles of the following allowable Principal Permitted Uses in the B-4, B-5, and B-7 zoning districts:
 - Business Schools, Colleges, <u>Universities</u>, and Private Schools Operated for Profit
 - Indoor Commercial <u>or Privately-Owned</u> Recreation<u>Facilities</u>

PART NINE – Amendments to Section 3.16 (I-1, Light Industrial District), 3.17 (I-2, General Industrial District)

The lists of Principal Permitted Uses and Special Uses in Section 3.16 and Section 3.17 are hereby amended, as follows:

- A. Add the following as allowable Principal Permitted Uses in the I-1 and I-2 zoning districts:
 - Bakeries
 - Printing, Copying, and Bookbinding Operations
- B. Move "Self-storage Facilities (Mini-Warehouse, Mini-Storage)" from the list of allowable Principal Permitted Uses to the list of Special Uses in the I-1 and I-2 zoning districts.

PART TEN – Amendments to Section 3.18 (OS, Office Service District)

The lists of Principal Permitted Uses and Special Uses in Section 3.18 are hereby amended, as follows:

- A. Add the following as allowable Principal Permitted Uses in the OS zoning district:
 - Outdoor Publicly-Owned Recreation Facilities
- B. Add the following as allowable Special Uses in the OS zoning district:
 - Indoor Commercial or Privately-Owned Recreation Facilities
 - Indoor Publicly-Owned Recreation Facilities
- C. Move "Public and Institutional Buildings and Uses" from the list of allowable Special Uses to the list of Principal Permitted Uses in the OS zoning district.

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PART ELEVEN – Amendments to Section 3.19 (PUD, Planned Unit Development District)

Section 3.19 (PUD, Planned Unit Development District) is hereby amended to update subsection "A." (Eligibility Criteria) to clarify and expand the criteria for consideration of a potential project for PUD review, to update subsection "B.2." to also allow limited sign-related deviations to be proposed on the PUD Concept Plan, and to update subsection "C.1." (Permitted Uses) to expand land use options and replace references to underlying zoning and better integrate the Master Plan into the land use review process.

Section 3.19 PUD, Planned Unit Development District

A. Eligibility Criteria

To be eligible for Planned Unit Development approval, the applicant must demonstrate that the following criteria will be met:

- Sufficient land area for proposed uses. The proposed PUD site includes sufficient contiguous land area to comply with all applicable regulations of this Ordinance, to adequately serve the needs of all permitted uses in the PUD project, and to ensure compatibility between uses and the surrounding area. Minimum Size. The minimum size of a Planned Unit Development site shall be five (5) acres of contiguous land, unless the Planning Commission determines that at least one (1) of the following conditions exists:
 - a. <u>The proposed PUD site is located in the East or the West</u> Downtown Development Authority <u>District</u> or <u>within the Mixed-Use</u> Bluegrass <u>Center</u> area <u>as described in</u> <u>the Master Plan</u>, in which case the site size may be less than five (5) acres.
 - b. Furthermore, in the interest of maximizing the use of Planned Unit Development as a tool to promote high quality planning and development, the Planning Commission may permit a smaller Planned Unit Development outside of the DDA or Bluegrass area if: (a) <u>The proposed project has unique characteristics and recognizable and material benefits (including historic and/or architectural value), and/or (b) that will be realized by the future users of the development and the Township as a whole, where such benefits would otherwise be unachievable under this Ordinance.</u>
 - c. <u>The parcel in question has unique characteristics that significantly impact</u> development, such as <u>significant blight</u>, <u>environmental contamination or obsolete</u> <u>buildings that would be fully resolved by the PUD project</u>, unusual topography, <u>or</u> <u>significant historical</u>, <u>cultural or archeological features</u> tree stands, wetlands, poor <u>soil conditions on portions of the parcel</u>, water courses, unusual shape or <u>proportions</u>, or utility easements which cross the parcel.

In such case, the applicant shall submit a letter to the Township requesting a waiver of the minimum Planned Unit Development size requirements. The request shall be submitted prior to submittal of a site plan and application for Planned Unit Development approval. The Planning Commission shall review the request and make the final decision concerning a request to waive the Planned Unit Development size requirements.

- 2. Unified Control. The proposed development shall be under single ownership or control such that there is a single person or entity having responsibility for completing the project, or assuring completion of the project, in conformity with this Ordinance. The property owner must have a physical street address. The applicant shall provide legal documentation of single ownership or control in the form of agreements, contracts, covenants, and deed restrictions which indicate that the development can be completed as shown on the plans as part of the PUD application. These legal documents shall bind all development successors in title to any commitments made as a part of the documents. This provision shall not prohibit a transfer of ownership or control, provided notice of such transfer is given to the Township Clerk Zoning Administrator.
- 3. Consistent with the purpose for the PUD District. The proposed PUD is consistent with the Statement of Purpose for the PUD District in Section 3.19.
- 4. Compatibility with the Master Plan. The intent and all of the proposed uses within the requested PUD zoning district are compatible with the goals, objectives, and policies of the Master Plan, including the future land use designation(s) for the site, , unless the Planning Commission determines that conditions have changed significantly since the Plan was prepared or new information supports a change.
- 5. Availability and capacity of services. The proposed type and intensity of use will not exceed the existing or planned capacity of public or municipal services or infrastructure; including but not limited to roads, police and fire protection services, refuse disposal, municipal water or sewerage systems, other utilities, drainage facilities, and public or private wells. The proposed use will not create additional requirements at public cost for services or infrastructure that will be detrimental to the economic welfare of the community.

B. Regulatory Flexibility

 Such deviations may include limited modifications to specific requirements found in Sections 4 through 10 <u>11</u> of this Ordinance that apply to the PUD project, and to specific PUD project design standards found in this Section.

C. Permitted Uses and Density

- 1. **Permitted Uses.** The following uses shall be permitted in a Planned Unit Development, unless a broader mixture of uses is called for on the land in question in the Master Plan subject to Planning Commission recommendation and Township Board approval:
 - a. If the underlying zoning is R 1, R 2A, R 2B, R 3A, or R 3B: any use allowed as principal permitted use or special use within the specified district.
 - b. If the underlying zoning is B 4: any use allowed as principal permitted use or special use within the B-4 district, housing for the elderly, and shopping centers.
 - c. If the underlying zoning is B-5: any use allowed as principal permitted use or special use within the B-5 district and shopping centers.

- d. If the underlying zoning is B-7: any use allowed as principal permitted use within the B-7 district, one- and two-family dwellings, and multiple-family dwellings.
- e. If the underlying zoning is I 1 or I 2: any use allowed as principal permitted use within the specified district and industrial parks.
- f. If the underlying zoning is OS: any use allowed as principal permitted use within the OS district.
- a. Uses in a PUD District shall be limited to those specific uses included in the listing of uses shown on the approved PUD Concept Plan, along with customary accessory uses and structures. All other uses shall be prohibited, unless otherwise permitted by this Ordinance.
- b. Uses in a PUD District shall be compatible with the goals, objectives, and policies of the Master Plan, including the future land use designation(s) for the site, unless the Planning Commission determines that conditions have changed significantly since the Plan was prepared or new information supports a change.
- c. Uses in a PUD District shall not be hazardous, detrimental or injurious to the environment or the public health, safety or general welfare by reason of traffic, noise, vibration, smoke, fumes, odors, dust, glare, light, drainage, pollution or other adverse impacts.
- d. A residential area as designated on the approved PUD Concept Plan may contain one (1) or more types of dwelling units, provided that such combination of dwelling unit types and location and arrangement of the residential development will not interfere with orderly and reasonable planning, development, and use of an area.
- e. The Planning Commission may require that a variety of housing types be provided as part of a residential PUD project.
- f. Home occupations shall be permitted in single-family dwellings in a PUD District.
- g. To support the inclusion of a specified use in a PUD project, the applicant may be required to provide documentation, such as a professional market study, that a demand exists for the proposed use within the market area.

PART TWELVE – Amendments to Section 5.5 (Wireless Communication Facilities)

Section 5.5 (Wireless Communication Facilities) is hereby amended to clarify approval procedures by deleting errant references to Township Board approvals from subsections "B," "C," and "G."

Section 5.5 Wireless Communications Facilities

B. Approval Procedures.

The following procedures have been established to achieve approval of a proposed wireless communications facility:

- 1. <u>Standard A</u>. Standard A Wireless communication equipment proposals require no zoning approval. <u>However, plans for Standard A improvements shall be</u> <u>submitted to the Township.</u>
- 2. <u>Standard B</u>. Standard B wireless communication equipment proposals require special use approval. Accordingly, such proposals are subject to the procedures in Section 14.3 and the following special procedures additional requirements:
 - Steps Action
 - 1. Applicant submits plan and \$1,000 fee.
 - 2. Within 14 days Township administration determines if application is complete.
 - 3. If application is incomplete, administration notifies applicant.
 - 4. If application is complete, administration initiates SLU review by scheduling special use public hearing. Special use review must be complete <u>(60) days</u> after the application is considered complete.
 - 5. Township Planner reviews plan, transmits letter to Planning Commission.
 - 6. Planning Commission reviews plan, makes recommendation to Township Board.
 - 7. Township Board approves or denies application.
- 3. <u>Standard C</u>. Standard C wireless communication equipment proposals require special use approval. Accordingly, such proposals are subject to the procedures outlined for Standard B, except that in Step 4 the special use review must be complete not more than ninety (90) days after the application is considered complete.

C. Requirements.

All applications for wireless communication facilities that require special use approval shall be reviewed in accordance with the following standards and conditions. If approved, such facilities shall be constructed and maintained in accordance with such standards and conditions and any additional conditions imposed by the Planning Commission-and Township Board.

G. Summary of Review Requirements.

The following chart summarizes review requirements for wireless communications facilities:

		Required Review and Approval			
Type of Wireless Communications Facility			Zoning Administrator	Exempt	
ANTENNAE & ANTENNA STRUCTURES					
Installation of any amateur radio transmission or reception antenna or antenna structure, short wave facility, contractor's business antenna structure, television reception	Exceeding 130.0 feet in height	•			

				Required Review and Approval				
	Type of Wireless Communications Facili	ty		Township Board Planning Commission	Zoning Administrator	Exempt		
antenna, wireless Internet antenna, citizen's band baseUp to 130.0station antenna or similar antennae or antenna structure:feet in height					•			
SATELLITE DISH ANT	ENNAE							
Installation of a satellite dish antenna with a diameter of:		1.5 meters o	or larger		•			
		Less than 1.	5 meters			•		
OTHER ANTENNAE N		URE						
Antenna(e) installation that also includes use of	•							
Antenna(e) installation on an existing principal building or accessory structure where all accessory equipment is installed within the building or structure								
	OMMUNICATION FACILIT							
Construction of a new addressed in this table	erwise	•						
Alteration orWith an increase in the overall tower height by moreenlargement of anthan 20 feet or 10% of its original height, whichever isexisting tower thatgreater. Also see Sections 5.5(A) and (B)				•				
would conform to maximum height requirements:	Without increasing the overall tower height by more than 20 feet or 10% of its original height, whichever is greater				•			
Construction or expansion of equipment building(s) within an approved ground equipment enclosure					•			
Expansion of a previously approved ground equipment enclosure to a total area greater than 2,500 square feet. Also see Sections 5.5 (A) and (B)				•				
Collocation of new antennae on an existing tower that	Ilocation of newWith an increase in the overall tower height by moretennae on anthan 20 feet or 10% of its original height, whichever is			•				
would conform to maximum height requirements:	conform toWithout increasing the overall tower height by moreIm heightthan 20 feet or 10% of its original height, whichever is				•			
Expansion of a previously approved ground equipment enclosure area to a total area less than or equal to 2,500 square feet					•			
Installation of new gro building or enclosure		•						
OTHER PROJECTS EX	EMPT FROM TOWNSHIP							
-	al and other facilities subjec			•				
preemption of local au	•			-				
	ntenance of an existing wire conforms to approved plan			•				

PART THIRTEEN – Amendments to Section 6.13 (Group Day Care Home....)

Section 6.13 (Group Day Care Home....) is hereby amended to amend the section title to delete the reference to the number of children served consistent with recent changes in state law:

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Section 6.13 Group Day Care Home (for 7 to 12 Children)

PART FOURTEEN – Amendments to Section 6.14 (Day Care, Family Home....)

Section 6.14 (Day Care, Family Home....) is hereby amended to amend the section title to delete the reference to the number of children served consistent with recent changes in state law:

Section 6.14 Day Care, Family Home (for 1 to 6 Children)

PART FIFTEEN – Amendments to Section 6.28 (Extraction Operations)

Section 6.28 (Extraction Operations) is hereby deleted and replaced in its entirety to amend the Section as follows:

Section 6.28 Extraction Operations

Extraction operations shall conform to all applicable federal, state, and county regulations and the requirements of the Township's <u>adopted</u> Extraction Ordinance-No. 20-01.

PART SIXTEEN – Amendments to Section 6.35 (Biofuel Production Facility)

Section 6.35 (Biofuel Production Facility) is hereby amended to delete the errant references to the Township Board from subsection "E.6." as follows:

Section 6.35 Biofuel Production Facility

- E. **Special Use Application Requirements**. An application for special use approval for a biofuel production facility shall include all of the following:
 - Information Requested by the Planning Commission-or Township Board. Any additional information requested by the Planning Commission or Township Board that is necessary to make a determination on the special use application.

PART SEVENTEEN – Amendments to Section 6.38 (Self-Storage Buildings)

Section 6.38 (Self-Storage Buildings) is hereby amended to add new subsections "E." entitled "Additional Standards for the Business Districts" and "F." entitled "Additional Standards for the Industrial Districts" to establish additional requirements for new self-storage buildings designed to preserve the character, purpose, and function of these districts.

Section 6.38 Self-Storage Buildings

- E. Additional Standards for the Business Districts. In the B-4 and B-5 zoning districts, selfstorage buildings shall be accessory to Principal Permitted Use(s) as allowed in the zoning district and located to the rear of the lot or otherwise arranged in a manner clearly secondary to the Principal Permitted Use(s).
- F. Additional Standards for the Industrial Districts. Self-storage buildings shall only be allowed in the I-1 and I-2 zoning districts where they are either accessory to Principal

Permitted Use(s) as allowed in the zoning district and located to the rear of the lot or otherwise arranged in a manner clearly secondary to the Principal Permitted Use(s), or shall be limited to lots that the Planning Commission has determined to be unsuitable by size, location or configuration for development of Principal Permitted Use(s) as allowed in the zoning district.

PART EIGHTEEN – Amendments to Section 6.39 (Solar Energy Systems)

Section 6.39 (Solar Energy Systems) is hereby amended to correct a typographical error in subsection "G.6.d." as follows:

Section 6.39 Solar Energy Systems

- G. Primary Use Solar Energy Facilities.
 - 6. <u>Decommissioning Plan.</u>

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- d. Surety:
 - The owner(s) and/or operator of the SEFs shall post a surety in a form acceptable to the Township, such as security bond, irrevocable letter of credit, escrow, or other form deemed acceptable by the Township equal to one-hundred fifty (150) percent of the total estimated decommissioning and reclamation costs, prior to issuance of a building permit. The cost of decommissioning shall be reviewed between the operator and the Township Board-Planner every five (5) years to ensure adequate funds are allocated for decommissioning; the surety shall be appropriately adjusted to reflect the current decommissioning estimate.

PART NINETEEN – Add a New Section 6.42 (Qualified Residential Treatment Programs)

Section 6 (Standards Applicable to Specific Uses) is hereby amended to add a new Section 6.42 entitled "Qualified Residential Treatment Programs" as follows:

Section 6.42 Qualified Residential Treatment Programs

Consistent with Section 206(1)(c) of the Michigan Zoning Enabling Act, A qualified residential treatment program that provides services for 10 or fewer individuals is a residential use of property for the purposes of zoning, to which all of the following apply:

- 1. The program has a trauma-informed treatment model, evidenced by the inclusion of trauma awareness, knowledge, and skills into the program's culture, practices, and policies.
- 2. The program has registered or licensed nursing and other licensed clinical staff on-site or available 24 hours a day, seven days a week, who provide care in the scope of their practice as provided in Part 170 (Medicine), Part 172 (Nursing), Part 181 (Counseling), Part 182

(Psychology), Part 182A (Applied Behavior Analysis), and Part 185 (Social Work) of the Public Health Code.

- 3. The program integrates families into treatment, including maintaining sibling connections.
- 4. The program provides aftercare services for at least six months post discharge.
- 5. The program is accredited by an independent not-for-profit organization as described in 42 USC 672(k)(4)(G).
- 6. The program does not include a detention facility, forestry camp, training school, or other facility operated primarily for detaining minor children who are determined to be delinquent.

PART TWENTY – Add a New Section 6.43 (Bakeries)

Section 6 (Standards Applicable to Specific Uses) is hereby amended to add a new Section 6.43 entitled "Bakeries" as follows:

Section 6.43 Bakeries and Printing, Copying, and Bookbinding Operations

Bakeries and Printing, Copying, and Bookbinding Operations shall be subject to the following standards by zoning district:

- In the I-1 and I-2 zoning districts, the principal use of the premises shall be for the preparation and manufacturing of products to be distributed and sold at off-site locations. Any area(s) for sales of products prepared on the premises shall be limited to no more than twenty percent (20%) of the usable floor area occupied by the principal use.
- 2. In the B-4, B-5, and B-7 zoning districts, the principal use of the premises shall be the preparation and on-site sales of products. Distribution of products to off-site locations shall be permitted as an accessory use, provided that such activities remain incidental and subordinate to the principal use of the premises.

PART TWENTY-ONE – Amendments to Section 6.56 (Accessory Apartment)

Section 6.56 (Accessory Apartment) is hereby deleted and replaced in its entirety with a new Section 6.56 entitled "Accessory Dwelling" to revise the title and change the references in the text to match defined terms, to revise the maximum floor area limitation, and to add a reference to the Township's Housing Licensing Ordinance, as follows:

Section 6.56 Accessory Apartment Dwelling

A<u>n a</u>ccessory apartments <u>dwelling</u> shall comply with the following regulations:

 Accessory Apartment Defined. An accessory apartment is a dwelling unit that is accessory to and contained within a principal single family dwelling, and which is occupied by either persons related to the occupant of the principal residence by blood, marriage, or legal adoption; domestic servants; or gratuitous guests. An accessory apartment typically has its own kitchen, bath, living area, sleeping area, and usually a separate entrance.

- 1. **Residence an Incidental Use.** The accessory apartment dwelling shall be clearly incidental to the principal residence single-family dwelling on the site. Accordingly, the following conditions shall be met:
 - a. A<u>n a</u>ccessory <u>apartments_dwelling</u> shall be established in and attached to<u>an</u> owneroccupied <u>homes_single-family dwelling</u> only by means of a fully enclosed, insulated and heated space.
 - b. Only one (1) such accessory residence dwelling shall be permitted on each parcel.
 - c. The total_gross_floor area of the accessory apartment_dwelling_shall not exceed eight hundred (800) square feet or fifty percent (50%) of the principal single-family dwelling's gross floor area, whichever is less.
- 2. **Setbacks and Placement on the Parcel.** Accessory <u>residences dwellings</u> shall comply with all setback requirements for the <u>zoning</u> district in which they are located.
- 3. **Compatibility with Surrounding Land Use.** The design of the accessory residence dwelling shall not detract from the single-family character and appearance of the principal residence dwelling on the lot, or the surrounding neighborhood. The accessory residence dwelling shall not have a front entrance visible from the front yard, other than the entrance that serves the principal residence dwelling on the lot. When viewed from the outside, it shall appear that only one (1) household occupies the site.
- Parking and Access. In addition to <u>the minimum</u> required parking for the principal <u>dwelling</u> residence, one <u>(1)</u> additional <u>required</u> parking space shall be provided for the accessory <u>dwelling</u> residence.
- 5. **Termination.** An accessory apartment dwelling that is no longer needed for the purposes outlined herein shall be incorporated into and become a part of the principal single-family home dwelling to which it is attached.
- 6. **Rental Certification.** The accessory dwelling shall be subject to the applicable requirements of the Township's Housing Licensing Ordinance.

PART TWENTY-TWO – Amendments to Section 7.14 (Trash Removal and Collection)

Subsection "C" (Screening) of Section 7.14 (Trash Removal and Collection) is hereby amended to clarify that durable and opaque non-wood fence materials can be used for trash enclosure screening (subject to Planning Commission approval).

Section 7.14 Trash Removal and Collection

C. Screening.

Dumpsters shall be screened from view from adjoining property and public streets and thoroughfares. Dumpsters shall be screened on three sides with a permanent building, decorative masonry wall, or solid, <u>durable</u>, and <u>opaque</u> wood fencing, not less than six (6) feet in height or at least one foot above the height of the enclosed dumpster, whichever is taller. Durable, lockable and visually opaque gates of equivalent height shall be provided on the fourth side of the enclosure.

PART TWENTY-THREE – Amendments to Section 9.2 (Schedule of Required Parking)

Subsection "F." (Schedule of Off-Street Parking by Use) of Section 9.2 (Schedule of Required Parking) is hereby amended to revise the parking standard for self-storage buildings, as follows:

Section 9.2 (Schedule of Required Parking)

F. Schedule of Required Parking by Use

Land Use	Minimum Required Off-Street Parking Standard
Other Uses	
Self-storage Facilities-Buildings (Mini- Warehouse, Mini-Storage)	0.1 spaces per storage unit, plus <u>R</u> required parking for any office or other uses accessory to the facility.

PART TWENTY-FOUR – Amendments to Section 12.2 (General Requirements)

Section 12.2 (General Requirements) is hereby amended to delete and replace the text of subsection "J." as follows:

Section 12.2 General Requirements

J. Nonconforming Single-Family Uses. Notwithstanding the limitations outlined in Section 12, any structure used for single family residential purposes and maintained as a nonconforming use may be enlarged or replaced with a similar structure of a larger size, so long as the enlargement or replacement does not create new nonconformities or increase the extent of existing nonconformities with respect to such matters as setback and parking requirements See Section 12.6 (Nonconforming Single-Family Dwellings).

PART TWENTY-FIVE – Amendments to Section 12.4 (Modifications to Nonconforming Uses or Structures)

Subsection "A." (Applicability) of Section 12.4 (Modifications to Nonconforming Uses or Structures) is hereby amended to revise subsection "A.5." for clarity, and to add new subsections "A.6." to reference the new Section 12.6 and "A.7." to reference the existing Section 11.14.

Section 12.4 Modifications to Nonconforming Uses or Structures

- A. **Applicability**. The following regulations shall apply to any nonconforming use or structure, including:
 - 1. Nonconforming uses of open land.
 - 2. Nonconforming use of buildings designed for a conforming use.
 - 3. Nonconforming use of buildings specifically designed for the type of use which occupies them but not suitable for a conforming use.
 - 4. Buildings designed and used for a conforming use but not in conformance with area and bulk, parking, loading, or landscaping requirements.
 - 5. Nonconforming <u>buildings and structures</u>, <u>including accessory structures</u>-such as fences and signs.
 - 6. Nonconforming single-family dwellings shall not be subject to regulation under this Section, but rather shall be subject to the requirements of Section 12.6.

7. Nonconforming signs shall not be subject to regulation under this Section, but rather shall be subject to the requirements of Section 11.14.

PART TWENTY-SIX – Add a New Section 12.6 (Nonconforming Single-Family Dwellings)

Section 12 (Nonconformities) is hereby amended to add a new Section 12.6 entitled "Nonconforming Single-Family Dwellings" to eliminate regulatory conflicts in the existing regulations and to expand protections for nonconforming single-family dwellings, as follows:

Section 12.6 Nonconforming Single-Family Dwellings.

It is the intent of this Section to regulate the alteration and reconstruction of nonconforming single-family dwellings consistent with the intent and purposes of Section 12 and this Ordinance, and in a manner that avoids unnecessary hardship for homeowners seeking mortgage financing or homeowner's insurance coverage for a nonconforming dwelling. Accordingly, the provisions of Section 12.4 (Modifications to Nonconforming Uses or Structures) shall not apply to nonconforming dwellings as regulated under this Section. Nonconforming single-family dwellings may be used, repaired, expanded, altered, or replaced if destroyed, subject to the following:

- A. **Dwelling as a Nonconforming Use.** A nonconforming single-family dwelling and nonconforming customary accessory structures located in a zoning district in which single-family dwellings are not an allowable use may be repaired, altered, or replaced if destroyed, provided that:
 - 1. Such work shall conform to all applicable standards of this Ordinance as if the property and use were located in the residential zoning district for which the lot area and lot width dimensional standards most closely align with that of the subject lot. Accessory structures shall conform to the requirements of Section 7.5 for the applicable residential zoning district.
 - 2. The use, dwelling, and accessory structures shall be maintained in conformance with all other applicable federal, state, and local laws, ordinances, regulations and rules.
- B. **Dwelling as a Nonconforming Structure.** Where a single-family dwelling is an allowable use in the zoning district but is nonconforming with respect to the zoning district's dimensional standards or Section 6.16 (Residential Design Requirements) the following standards shall apply:
 - 1. Structural alterations to a nonconforming single-family dwelling that decrease or do not affect the degree of nonconformity shall be permitted. The dwelling may be expanded, provided that:
 - a. The addition shall conform to the dimensional standards and other requirements of the zoning district in which it is located.
 - b. The expanded dwelling shall not exceed the ground floor coverage and floor area ratio limits of the district in which it is located.

- 2. A nonconforming single-family dwelling may be repaired, reconstructed or replaced if damaged or destroyed, provided that:
 - a. All repairs and maintenance shall conform to the State Construction Code and all other applicable code requirements.
 - b. A damaged dwelling shall be adequately secured, and shall be protected against further damage from the elements.
 - c. Any replacement dwelling shall conform to the dimensional standards of the zoning district where it is located, except where, in the determination of the Zoning Administrator, existing site conditions would prevent reasonable conformance. In such cases, the dwelling may be reconstructed on the existing location.
 - d. Application for a building permit shall be made within 365 calendar days of the date of such damage, and all work shall be completed within the building permit approval period. Where pending insurance claims require an extension of time, the Zoning Administrator may grant one (1) extension of up to 365 calendar days, provided that the property owner submits a certification from the insurance company attesting to the delay.
- 3. A nonconforming dwelling moved within a lot or to another lot shall thereafter conform to the regulations of the district in which it is located.
- 4. If the dwelling became physically unsafe or unlawful due to a lack of repairs or unsecured exposure to the elements, or is declared to be unsafe or unlawful by reason of physical condition under the State Construction Code or applicable fire or property maintenance codes, it shall not thereafter be restored, repaired or rebuilt except in conformity with all Ordinance requirements.

PART TWENTY-SEVEN – Amendments to Section 13.2 (Township Board of Trustees)

Section 13.2 (Township Board of Trustees) is hereby amended to correct the references to required Township Board approvals, as follows:

Section 13.2 Township Board of Trustees

B. Review and Approval of Plans.

- 1. Township Board review and approval shall be required for all <u>Special Uses rezoning</u> <u>applications</u>, in accordance with Section <u>14.5 (Amendments)</u><u>14.3</u>.
- Township Board review and approval shall be required for all Planned Unit Development (PUD) applications, in accordance with Section <u>3.19 (PUD, Planned</u> <u>Unit Development District</u>)-<u>3.18</u>.

PART TWENTY-EIGHT – Amendments to Section 13.4 (Zoning Board of Appeals)

Section 13.4 (Zoning Board of Appeals) is hereby amended to delete and consolidate all provisions for establishment, authority, and general rules in an updated Section 14.4.

Section 13.4 Zoning Board of Appeals

The Township Zoning Board of Appeals (hereinafter referred to as "ZBA") is created pursuant to Michigan Public Act 110 of 2006, as amended.

- A. Membership and Operation. The ZBA shall consist of five (5) members who shall be appointed in accordance with Section 601(3) of Michigan Public Act 110 of 2006, as amended, as follows:
 - 1. The first member shall be a member of the Planning Commission.
 - The remaining members (including any alternate members) shall be electors of the Township residing outside of incorporated cities and villages and shall be representative of the population distribution and of the various interests present in the Township.
 - 3. No employee or contractor of the Township may be a member or employee of the Board of Appeals. No elected officer of the Township may serve as chairperson of the Board of Appeals.
 - 4. The qualifications of members, the term of each member, filling of vacancies, compensation of members, and operation of the ZBA shall be in accordance with Act 110. The ZBA shall not conduct business unless a majority of the members of the Board are present.
 - 5. The Township Board may appoint up to 2 alternate members for the same term as regular members to the ZBA. An alternate member may be called to serve as a member of the ZBA in the absence of a regular member if the regular member will be unable to attend one (1) or more meetings. An alternate member may also be called to serve as a member for the purpose of reaching a decision on a case in which the member has abstained for reasons of conflict of interest. The alternate member appointed shall serve in the case until a final decision is made. The alternate member has the same voting rights as a regular member of the ZBA.
- B. Meetings. Meetings of the ZBA shall be held in accordance with an adopted schedule, or at the call of the Chairperson, or at such other times as the ZBA may specify in its rules and procedures. The ZBA shall state the grounds of each determination, and shall maintain a record of its proceedings, which shall be filed in the office of the Township Clerk.
- C. **Removal of Members**. A member of the ZBA may be removed by the Township Board for misfeasance, malfeasance, or nonfeasance in office upon written charges and after a public hearing. A member shall disqualify himself or herself from a vote in which the member has a conflict of interest. Failure of a member to disqualify himself or herself from a vote in which the member has a conflict of interest constitutes malfeasance in office.

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D. Jurisdiction. The ZBA shall have the authority outlined in Section 14.4 (Zoning Board of Appeals)

PART TWENTY-NINE – Amendments to Section 13.5 (Enforcement Officials)

Subsection "B." (Responsibilities of the Zoning Administrator) of Section 13.5 (<u>Enforcement</u> <u>Officials</u>) is hereby amended to remove inconsistencies between the provisions of this subsection and the established job description for this position, as follows:

Section 13.5 Enforcement Officials

- A. **Overview**. As specified throughout this Ordinance, certain actions necessary for the implementation of this Ordinance shall be administered by the Zoning Administrator, the Township Planner, and other Township administrative officials, or their duly authorized assistants or representatives. In carrying out their designated duties, all such enforcement officers shall administer the Ordinance precisely as it is written and shall not make changes or vary the terms of the Ordinance. The positions of Zoning Administrator and Township Planner may be filled by one person.
- B. Responsibilities of the Zoning Administrator. <u>The provisions of this Ordinance shall be</u> administered and enforced by the Zoning Administrator, under the direction of the <u>Township Planner</u>. In addition to specific responsibilities outlined elsewhere in this Ordinance, the Zoning Administrator or his/her duly authorized assistants shall have the following responsibilities:
 - 1. The Zoning Administrator shall administer and enforce this Ordinance precisely as written, and shall not modify, vary or ignore the terms of this Ordinance nor grant exceptions to the actual meaning of any clause, order or regulation.
 - 2. The Zoning Administrator shall have the authority to interpret this Ordinance in such a way as to preserve and promote the character of the zoning district in question, and carry out the intent and purposes of this Ordinance and Township Master Plan. Such interpretations shall be subject to appeal to the Zoning Board of Appeals in accordance with Section 14.4 (Zoning Board of Appeals).
 - **1.3.** The Zoning Administrator shall provide citizens and public officials with information relative to this Ordinance and related matters.
 - 2.4. The Zoning Administrator shall assist applicants in determining and completing appropriate forms and procedures related to site plan review, special use, rezoning, and other zoning matters.
 - **3.5.** The Zoning Administrator shall review and investigate permit applications to determine compliance with the provisions of the Zoning Ordinance.
 - **4.6.** The Zoning Administrator shall issue zoning permits upon compliance with provisions of this Ordinance and other applicable ordinances.

- 5.7. The Zoning Administrator shall perform inspections of buildings, structures, and premises to ensure proposed land use changes or improvements are and will remain in compliance with this Ordinance.
- 6.8. The Zoning Administrator shall investigate alleged violations of this Ordinance and enforce appropriate corrective measures when required, including issuance of violation notices, issuance of orders to stop work, and revoking of permits.
- 9. The Zoning Administrator shall order the discontinuance of unlawful uses of land or structures, removal of unlawful structures or alterations, discontinuance of work performed in violation of this Ordinance, and shall take such action(s) authorized by this Ordinance to ensure compliance with this Ordinance.
- 7.10. The Zoning Administrator shall perform other related duties required to administer this Ordinance.

PART THIRTY – Amendments to Section 14.3 (Special Use Permits)

Section 14.3 (Special Use Permits) is hereby amended to correct a typographical error by removing "or Township Board" from subsection "J.3." as follows:

Section 14.3 Special Use Permits

J. Standards for Special Use Approval.

 The special use will be designed, constructed, operated, and maintained in a manner compatible with adjacent uses, the surrounding area, and the intent of the zoning district. Where determined necessary by the Planning Commission-or Township Board, the applicant has provided adequately for any restrictions on hours or days of operation, minimization of noise, and screening improvements or other land use buffers to ensure land use compatibility and minimize adverse impacts.

PART THIRTY-ONE – Amendments to Section 14.4 (Variances and Appeals)

Section 14.4 (Variances and Appeals) is hereby deleted and replaced in its entirety with a new Section 14.4 entitled "Zoning Board of Appeals" to correct inconsistencies with sections 601, 603, and 604 of the Michigan Zoning Enabling Act (Public Act 110 of 2006, as amended), to correct discrepancies in the application requirements, and to clarify and expand upon the variance criteria related to substantial justice, as follows:

Section 14.4 Zoning Board of Appeals

There is hereby established a Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA), which shall perform its duties and exercise its powers as provided for in the Michigan Zoning Enabling Act and this Ordinance, in such a way that the objectives of this Ordinance are observed, public health and safety secured, and substantial justice done.

A. Membership.

The Zoning Board of Appeals shall consist of <u>five (5)</u> regular members, appointed by the Township Board. One (1) member of the ZBA shall also be a member of the Planning Commission. The remaining two (2) members shall be selected from the electors of the Township. One (1) member may also be a member of the Township Board. In the event a member is elected to the Township Board and such election increases the number of Township Board members serving on the ZBA to more than one (1), then such member's seat on the ZBA shall be deemed vacant.

The members selected shall be representative of the population distribution, and of the various interests present in the Township. Employees and contractors of the Township shall be prohibited from serving as ZBA members.

B. Alternates.

The Township Board may appoint not more than two (2) alternate ZBA members for the same term as regular members. An alternate may be called to serve as a regular member for the ZBA in the absence of a regular member if the regular member is absent from or will be unable to attend one (1) or more ZBA meetings. An alternate may also be called to serve as a regular member for the purpose of reaching a decision on a case in which the regular member has abstained for reasons described in subsection 14.4.D. (Abstaining). The alternate member appointed shall serve in the case until a final decision is made, and shall have the same voting rights as a regular ZBA member.

C. Terms and Vacancies.

The term of each member shall be for three (3) years, except for members serving because of their membership on the Planning Commission or Township Board where terms shall be limited to the time they are members of those bodies. If multiple members are appointed at the same time, the appointments may be for less than three (3) years to provide for staggered terms. A successor shall be appointed not more than one (1) month after the term of the preceding member has expired. Vacancies for unexpired terms shall be filled for the remainder of the term.

D. Abstaining.

A member shall abstain from participating in a public hearing or voting on any question in which he or she has a conflict of interest, subject to the following:

- 1. Before casting a vote on a matter on which a member may reasonably be considered to have a conflict of interest, the member shall disclose the potential conflict of interest to the remaining members of the ZBA.
- 2. The member is disqualified from voting on the matter if:
 - a. A majority vote of the remaining members of the ZBA agree that a conflict exists; or if
 - b. A ZBA member who is also a member of the Township Board or Planning Commission previously voted on the same matter as a member of the Board or Commission. The member may consider and vote on other unrelated matters involving the same property.

- 3. The ZBA may define "conflict of interest" in its bylaws, or the Township Board may adopt a conflict of interest policy for the Township by resolution.
- 4. Failure of a member to disclose a potential conflict of interest or to abstain as required by this subsection shall constitute malfeasance in office.

E. Removal From Office.

The Township Board may remove a member from office for misfeasance, malfeasance or nonfeasance in office, upon written charges and following a public hearing held in accordance with Section 14.6 (Public Hearing Notice). Minutes of the meeting at which the hearing is held shall record the reasons for the hearing, any motions or resolutions, and the roll call vote of the Township Board.

F. General Rules.

The following general rules shall apply to the Zoning Board of Appeals:

- 1. **Officers.** The ZBA shall annually elect a Chair, Vice-Chair, Secretary, and Vice-Secretary from its membership. The Township Board Representative shall not serve as ZBA Chair. Such election shall be held at the first regular ZBA meeting of each calendar year, or at the first regular meeting of the ZBA following departure of an existing officer from the ZBA.
 - a. The Chair shall preside at and conduct ZBA meetings; and shall have the power to subpoena and require attendance of witnesses, administer oaths, compel testimony and production of books, papers, files, and other evidence pertinent to matters before the ZBA. The Chair shall also decide all points of order or procedure. In the absence of the Chair, the Vice-Chair shall exercise all powers and authority of the Chair.
 - b. The Secretary shall be responsible for ensuring that complete and accurate written records are kept of all ZBA proceedings.
- 2. Meetings. Meetings of the ZBA shall be held at the call of the Chair and at such other times as any ZBA bylaws may specify. All ZBA meetings shall be open to the public. Three (3) ZBA members shall constitute a quorum, without which the ZBA shall not conduct business other than to open and close the meeting. The concurring vote of a minimum of three (3) ZBA members shall be necessary for any decision.
- 3. **Timing of application or appeal.** For any land use, structure or other project that is subject by a provision of this Ordinance to review and action or interpretation by the Planning Commission or Zoning Administrator, an application to the Zoning Board of Appeals shall only be accepted for review and a public hearing subsequent to the conclusion of that administrative process.
- 4. **Stay of action.** An application or appeal stays all proceedings in the furtherance of the action subject to the application or appeal, unless the Zoning Administrator, Township Planner, Township Engineer, or Building Official certifies to the Zoning Board of Appeals that, in their opinion and by reason of facts stated in the certificate, a stay would cause imminent peril to life or property. In such case, proceedings shall

not be stayed other than by a restraining order which may be granted by the Zoning Board of Appeals or by the Circuit Court upon due cause shown.

- 5. **Hearing.** After receipt of a complete and accurate application, a reasonable time and date for public hearing shall be established. Notice shall be given and the hearing shall be held per Section 14.6 (Public Hearing Notice). All hearings shall be open to the public.
- 6. **Representation.** An applicant may appear or be represented by an agent or attorney.
- 7. **Motions.** A motion for action on an application shall include specific findings of fact and conclusions made by the ZBA in the case. Approved motions, including findings of fact and conclusions, shall be incorporated into the written record for the case. A copy shall be provided to the applicant of the approved written record of the meeting, or a written decision signed by the Chair or acting Chair.
- 8. **Postponement and dismissal.** The ZBA may postpone consideration of an application until a later meeting upon request by the applicant, failure of the applicant to attend the meeting, or determination that the application is not sufficiently complete or accurate for action. Failure of the applicant to attend two (2) or more meetings where the application is on the agenda shall constitute grounds for dismissal of the application without further consideration.
- 9. **Record of Proceedings.** The Township administrative staff, under the supervision of the secretary of the ZBA, shall prepare and keep minutes of the ZBA proceedings, showing the findings, decisions, conditions, if any, and votes of each member in each case, including a member's absence or failure to vote. The minutes shall be within the ultimate authority, and shall be the responsibility, of the secretary of the ZBA, and shall be subject to approval of the ZBA.

To the extent that a written decision statement in a case is prepared and issued in accordance with Section 606(3)(a) of the Michigan Zoning Enabling Act, it shall include the date of the meeting when the decision was made, it shall include the full text of the adopted motion, the signature of the Chair or acting Chair, and the date the written decision statement was signed.

- 10. **Period of Validity.** A decision of the ZBA shall have immediate validity, subject to the provisions of subsection 14.4.M. (Appeals to Circuit Court).
 - a. Any decision of the ZBA favorable to the applicant shall remain valid only as long as the information and data relating to such decision are found to be correct, and the conditions upon which the decision was based are maintained.
 - b. Relief granted by the ZBA shall be valid for a period not longer than 365 calendar days, unless otherwise specified by the ZBA. Within such period of effectiveness any required permits must be secured and any actual on-site improvement of property in accordance with the approved plan and the relief granted must be commenced or the grant of relief shall be deemed void.
- 11. Bylaws. The ZBA may also adopt bylaws to govern its procedures.

G. Powers and Duties of the ZBA.

The Zoning Board of Appeals shall hear, decide, and rule on the following:

- 1. **Interpretations.** The ZBA shall hear and decide questions that arise in the administration of the zoning ordinance, including the interpretation of the text and the Official Zoning Map, subject to the provisions of subsection 14.4.1.
- 2. Administrative appeals. The ZBA shall hear and decide appeals from and review any administrative order, requirement, decision, or determination made by an administrative official or body charged with enforcement of this Ordinance, subject to the provisions of subsection 14.4.J.
- 3. **Variances.** The ZBA shall hear and decide requests for variances for relief from the strict application of one (1) or more non-use provisions of this Ordinance, subject to the provisions of subsection 14.4.I.K.
- 4. **Other matters.** The ZBA shall have the authority to hear and decide on other matters referred to them upon which this Ordinance or Michigan Zoning Enabling Act specifically authorizes the ZBA to act.
- 5. **Prohibited actions.** The ZBA shall not alter or change the zoning district classification of any property, or make any change in the terms of this Ordinance, and shall not take any action that would result in making a legislative change. The ZBA shall not hear and shall have no authority regarding use variances or any issue involving a special use permit or planned unit development approval or denial.

H. Applications.

All applications to the ZBA shall be made by filing at least ten (10) paper copies and two (2) digital copies (in a format compatible with Township systems) of a complete and accurate application with the Zoning Administrator or designee, on forms provided by the Township, and shall be accompanied by the applicable fee and any required escrow deposit as established by Township Board resolution. In addition to the applicable fee and any required escrow deposit, a complete and accurate application shall at a minimum include the following:

- 1. Name, address, telephone and facsimile numbers, and other contact information for the applicant and owners of record, along with proof of ownership.
- 2. The applicant's interest in the property, and if the applicant is not the property owner of record, a signed authorization of the owner(s) for the application.
- 3. Address, location, legal description, and tax identification number of the parcel.
- 4. Zoning classification of the subject parcel(s) and all abutting parcels.
- 5. A letter from the applicant stating the reasons for the request, and addressing the applicable criteria specified in this Article for the type of request.
- 6. Copies of all plans, studies and other information and data to be relied upon by the applicant.

- 7. Any additional information required by this Article or deemed necessary by the ZBA to make a determination on the issue in question.
- 8. For variance requests, the following additional requirements shall apply:
 - a. The applicant shall submit a plot plan drawn to scale and including lot boundaries, easements, dimensions, setbacks, locations of septic systems and wells where applicable, significant natural features, and all existing and proposed structures and improvements.
 - b. The ZBA shall have the authority to require a certified survey prepared by a registered land surveyor when determined necessary to verify the accuracy of the plot plan.
 - c. For projects subject to site plan approval per Section 14.2, a complete site plan shall be provided.

I. Interpretations.

The ZBA shall have the power to hear and decide questions that arise in the interpretation of the text of the Zoning Ordinance in a manner consistent with the intents and purposes stated in the Ordinance, and in such a way as to preserve and promote the character of the zoning district in question. The ZBA shall also have the power to hear and decide questions that arise in the interpretation of the Official Zoning Map in such a way as to carry out the intents and purposes of this Ordinance and the Master Plan, subject to the standards of Section 10.105.E (Rules for Interpretation).

Applications for questions that arise from an interpretation of the text of the Zoning Ordinance or of the Official Zoning Map made by the Planning Commission, Zoning Administrator or other Township official shall be reviewed by the ZBA as an administrative appeal subject to subsection 14.4.J. (Administrative Appeals).

J. Administrative Appeals.

Consideration of administrative appeals shall be subject to the following:

- 1. Standing to Appeal. Appeals shall be taken to the ZBA through submittal of a complete and accurate application to the Township Clerk by a person, firm or corporation aggrieved by the order, requirement, decision or determination; or by an officer, department, board, commission or bureau of the Township, county, state, or federal governments. Such appeals shall be filed within 60 calendar days of the order, requirement, decision or determination in question.
 - a. The appellant shall submit a clear description of the order, requirement, decision, or determination from which the appeal is made and the grounds of the appeal. The appellant may be required by the ZBA to submit additional information to clarify the appeal.
 - b. The Township Clerk shall compile and transmit to the ZBA copies of all relevant papers constituting the record upon which the action appealed from was taken.

- **2. Determinations.** The ZBA shall reverse an administrative decision only upon determining that the order, requirement, decision or determination:
 - a. Constituted an abuse of discretion;
 - b. Was arbitrary or capricious;
 - c. Was based upon an erroneous finding of a material fact; or
 - d. Was based upon an erroneous interpretation of the Zoning Ordinance.

After making such a determination, the ZBA may, reverse or affirm wholly or in part; modify the order, requirement, decision or determination; or make such order, requirement, decision, or determination as ought to be made, and may issue or direct the issuance of a permit. To that end, the ZBA shall have all of the powers of the official(s) from whom the appeal is taken.

K. Variances.

The ZBA shall have the authority to grant non-use variances where, owing to special conditions, strict enforcement of this Ordinance would result in unnecessary hardship or practical difficulty, subject to Michigan Zoning Enabling Act requirements and the following:

- 1. **Standards for Review.** A variance shall not be granted unless all of the following standards are met:
 - a. **Practical difficulties.** Strict compliance with the specified dimensional standard(s) will deprive the applicant of rights commonly enjoyed by other property owners in the same zoning district, create an unnecessary burden on the applicant, or unreasonably prevent the owner from using the property for a permitted purpose.
 - b. **Substantial justice.** The variance will give substantial relief and justice to the applicant, consistent with justice to other property owners in the same district.
 - c. **Unique circumstances.** The need for the variance is due to unique circumstances peculiar to the land or structures involved, that are not applicable to other land or structures in the same district.
 - d. **Preservation of property rights.** The variance is necessary for the preservation and enjoyment of a substantial property right possessed by other property owners in the same zoning district.
 - e. **Public safety and welfare.** The requested variance can be granted in such fashion that the spirit of this Ordinance will be observed and public safety and welfare secured. In addition:
 - i. The granting of a variance will not increase the hazard of fire or otherwise endanger public safety.

- ii. The granting of a variance will not unreasonably diminish or impair the value of surrounding properties.
- iii. The granting of a variance will not alter the essential character of the area or surrounding properties.
- iv. The granting of a variance will not impair the adequate supply of light and air to any adjacent property.
- f. **Not self-created.** The problem and resulting need for the variance has not been self-created by the applicant or the applicant's predecessors.
- g. More than mere inconvenience. The alleged hardship and practical difficulties that will result from a failure to grant the variance include substantially more than mere inconvenience or an inability to attain a higher financial return.
- h. **Minimum necessary action.** The reasons set forth in the application justify the granting of the variance, and the variance is the minimum necessary relief to allow reasonable use of the land, building, or structure. The granting of a lesser variance will not give substantial relief and justice to the applicant, consistent with justice to other property owners in the same district.
- 2. Use Variances Prohibited. Under no circumstances shall the ZBA grant a variance to allow a use not permissible under the terms of this Ordinance in the district involved, or any use expressly or by implication prohibited by the terms of this Ordinance in said district.
- 3. **Reapplication for Variance.** No application for a variance that has been denied wholly or in part by the ZBA shall be resubmitted for a period of 365 calendar days from the date of denial, except on grounds of new evidence of changed conditions found by the ZBA to be valid.

L. Conditions of Approval.

The ZBA may impose conditions or limitations upon any affirmative decision, as it may deem reasonable and necessary in accordance with the purposes of this Ordinance and the Michigan Zoning Enabling Act. Such conditions shall be consistent with procedures, requirements, standards, and policies of the Township, where applicable. Violation of any condition imposed shall be deemed a violation of this Ordinance.

M. Appeals to Circuit Court.

Any person aggrieved by a decision of the ZBA in a particular case shall have the right to appeal to the Circuit Court as permitted by Section 606 of the Michigan Zoning Enabling Act [MCL125.3606(1)]. The appeal shall be filed within 30 calendar days after the Zoning Board of Appeals issues its written decision signed by the Chair or acting Chair, or within 21 calendar days after the Zoning Board of Appeals approves the minutes of its decision, whichever comes first.

PART THIRTY-TWO – Repeal

All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with the provisions of this amendatory ordinance, except as herein provided, are hereby repealed only to the extent necessary to give this amendatory ordinance full force and effect.

PART THIRTY-THREE – Severability

If any section, subsection, clause, phrase or portion of this amendatory ordinance is for any reason held invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, such portion shall be deemed a separate, distinct and independent provision, and such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portion thereof.

PART THIRTY-FOUR – Publication

The Clerk for the Charter Township of Union shall cause this amendatory ordinance to be published in the manner required by law.

PART THIRTY-THREE – Effective Date

This amendatory ordinance was approved and adopted by the Charter Township of Union Board
of Trustees, Isabella County, Michigan, on, 202, after initiation
and a public hearing by the Planning Commission on, 202 as
required pursuant to the Michigan Public Act 110 of 2006, as amended, and after introduction
and a first reading by the Township Board on, 202 and publication
after such first reading as required by Michigan Act 359 of 1947, as amended. This amendatory
ordinance shall be effective on, 202, which date is more than
seven days after publication of the ordinance as is required by Section 401(6) of Act 110 of 2006,
as amended, provided that this effective date shall be extended as necessary to comply with the
requirements of Section 402 of Act 110 of 2006, as amended.

CERTIFICATION OF ADOPTION AND PUBLICATION OF TOWNSHIP ORDINANCE

I, Lisa Cody, the duly elected Clerk of the Charter Township of Union, Isabella County, Michigan, hereby certify that the foregoing amendatory ordinance was adopted at a meeting of the Charter Township of Union Board of Trustees on the _____ day of _____, 202__, at which the following named members of the Charter Township of Union Board of Trustees were present and voted in person as follows:

(a) Voting in favor of the Ordinance:

(b)	Voting against adoption of the Ordinar	ice:

(c)	Absent:	(d)	Abstain:

I further certify that a notice of adoption of this amendatory ordinance was published in the Morning Sun, a newspaper of general circulation within the Charter Township of Union on the _____ day of _____, 202_ and that proof of same is filed in the Charter Township of Union Ordinance Book.

Certification Date: _____, 202___

Lisa Cody, Clerk