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# Sussex County Planning & Zoning Commission

# **AGENDA**

March 26, 2020

5:30 P.M.

PLEASE NOTE – AS PERMITTED BY GUBERNATORIAL AUTHORITY, IN ORDER TO LIMIT THE RISK OF POTENTIAL COVID-19 EXPOSURE, THE PUBLIC SHALL BE DENIED ENTRY TO THE PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION MEETING EXCEPT FOR THE 6:00 PM, 6:45 PM AND 7:30 P.M. PUBLIC HEARINGS.<sup>1</sup>

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO CHOOSE TO ATTEND A PUBLIC HEARING WILL ENTER THE CHAMBERS AT THE START TIME OF THE HEARING. THE PUBLIC SHOULD ARRIVE ON TIME AND WILL BE FORBIDDEN TO GATHER IN THE LOBBY.

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO CHOOSE TO ATTEND THE PUBLIC HEARING SHOULD EXPECT TO UNDERGO HEALTH SCREENINGS AND MANDATORY "SOCIAL DISTANCING" SEATING IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS.

THE PUBLIC IS ENCOURAGED TO WATCH OR LISTEN TO THE COUNCIL MEETING ELECTRONICALLY AT <a href="https://sussexcountyde.gov/council-chamber-broadcast">https://sussexcountyde.gov/council-chamber-broadcast</a>.

UNLESS OTHERWISE LEFT OPEN FOR A LONGER PERIOD BY THE COMMISSION, THE PUBLIC RECORD FOR EACH PUBLIC HEARING SHALL REMAIN OPEN UNTIL 4:30 PM ON THURSDAY, APRIL 2, 2020 FOR RECEIPT OF WRITTEN COMMENTS SUBMITTED ELECTRONICALLY OR BY U.S. MAIL TO THE P&Z OFFICE.

Call to Order

Approval of Agenda

**Approval of Minutes** – February 27, 2020.

**Old Business** 

# <u>2019-25 Workman's Crossing – Dunn Investment, LLC</u>

HW

A standard subdivision to divide 11.483 acres +/- into 5 single-family lots to be located on a certain parcel of land lying and being in Little Creek Hundred, Sussex County. The property is lying at the northeast corner of Pepperbox Rd. and Brittingham Rd. Tax Parcel: 532-15.00-11.00.



Zoning District: AR-1 (Agricultural Residential District).

# C/U 2222 – Jessica F. Peake

ВМ

An Ordinance to grant a Conditional Use of land in a C-1 General Commercial District for an outdoor miniature golf course to be located on a certain parcel of land lying and being in Baltimore Hundred, Sussex County, containing 0.46 acre, more or less. The property is lying on the east side of Coastal Highway (Rt. 1), approximately 212 feet south of Jefferson Bridge Road 911 Address: 32967 Coastal Highway, Bethany Beach. Tax Parcel: 134-17.11-40.00

# **Other Business**

# WMF Powersports LLC (S-20-07) Revised Preliminary Site Plan Generations Welding (S-20-08) Preliminary Site Plan KH Baker Petroleum – Lewes Exxon Preliminary Site Plan KS Lands of The Dale Farm, LLC

# Public Hearings

# 6:00 PM - C/U 2224 - Pamela Price

Minor Subdivision off Existing Easement

HW

An Ordinance to grant a Conditional Use of land in an AR-1 Agricultural Residential District for a real estate office to be located on a certain parcel of land lying and being in Little Creek Hundred, Sussex County, containing 1.75 acres, more or less. The property is lying on the west side of Sussex Highway (Rt. 13) approximately 0.25 miles north of the intersection of Whitesville Road and Sussex Highway (Rt. 13). 911 Address: 34590 Sussex Highway, Laurel. Tax Parcel: 332-7.00-22.00

### 6:45 PM - C/Z 1907 - Matthew C. Hete

KS

An Ordinance to amend the Comprehensive Zoning Map of Sussex County from an AR-1 Agricultural Residential District to a MR Medium Density Residential District for a certain parcel of land lying and being in Lewes and Rehoboth Hundred, Sussex County, containing 1.25 acres, more or less. The property is lying on the southeast side of Postal Lane approximately 0.22 mile northeast of Plantation Road. 911 Address: 34360 Postal Lane, Lewes. Tax Parcel: 334-6.00-686.00

# 6:45 PM - C/U 2209 - Matthew C. Hete

KS

An Ordinance to grant a Conditional Use of land in an MR Medium Density Residential district for multi-family (14 units) to be located on a certain parcel of land lying and being in Lewes and Rehoboth Hundred, Sussex County, containing 1.25 acres, more or less. The property is lying on the southeast side of Postal Lane approximately 0.22 mile northeast of Plantation Road. 911 Address: 34360 Postal Lane, Lewes. Tax Parcel: 334-6.00-686.00

# 7:30 PM - C/Z 1904 - Dry Acres, LLC (Jill Cicierski)

KS

An Ordinance to amend the Comprehensive Zoning Map of Sussex County from an AR-1 Agricultural Residential District to a C-2 Medium Commercial District for a certain parcel of land lying and being in Broadkill Hundred, Sussex county, containing 10.88 acres, more or less. The property is lying on the southwest corner of the intersection of Lewes Georgetown Highway (Route 9) and Fisher Road (S.C.R. 262). 911 Address: N/A. Tax Parcel: 235-30.00-51.00

### Additional Business

Discussion as to start time of future meetings

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Planning and Zoning Commission meetings can be monitored on the internet at www.sussexcountyde.gov.

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In accordance with 29 Del. C. \$10004(e)(2), this Agenda was posted on March 19, 2020 at 4:30 p.m., and at least seven (7) days in advance of the meeting.

This Agenda is subject to change to include the addition or deletion of items, including Executive Sessions, which arise at the time of the Meeting.

Agenda items listed may be considered out of sequence.

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See: https://governor.delaware.gov/proclamation-173292-03132020/.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> These restrictions are being implemented to limit the exposure and risk related to "COVID-19" for County personnel and members of the public who may attend the P&Z Commission Meeting. These decisions are being made under the authority issued by Governor John C. Carney through Proclamation No. 17-3292.

# **PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION**

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ACTING DIRECTOR

# PLANNING AND ZONING AND COUNTY COUNCIL INFORMATION SHEET Planning Commission Public Hearing Date March 26, 2020.

Application: (CU 2224) Pamela Price

Applicant: Pamela Price

38613 Benro Drive, Unit 5

Delmar, DE 19940

Owner: Pamela Price/Taylor Carney LLC

38613 Benro Drive, Unit 5

Delmar, DE 19940

Site Location: Located on the east side of Sussex Highway (Route 13) at 34590

Sussex Highway, Laurel, DE 19956.

Current Use: Residential

Proposed Use: Real Estate Office

Comprehensive Land

Use Plan Reference: Low Density Areas

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District: Mr. Rieley

School District: Delmar School District

Fire District: Delmar Fire District

Sewer: Sussex County

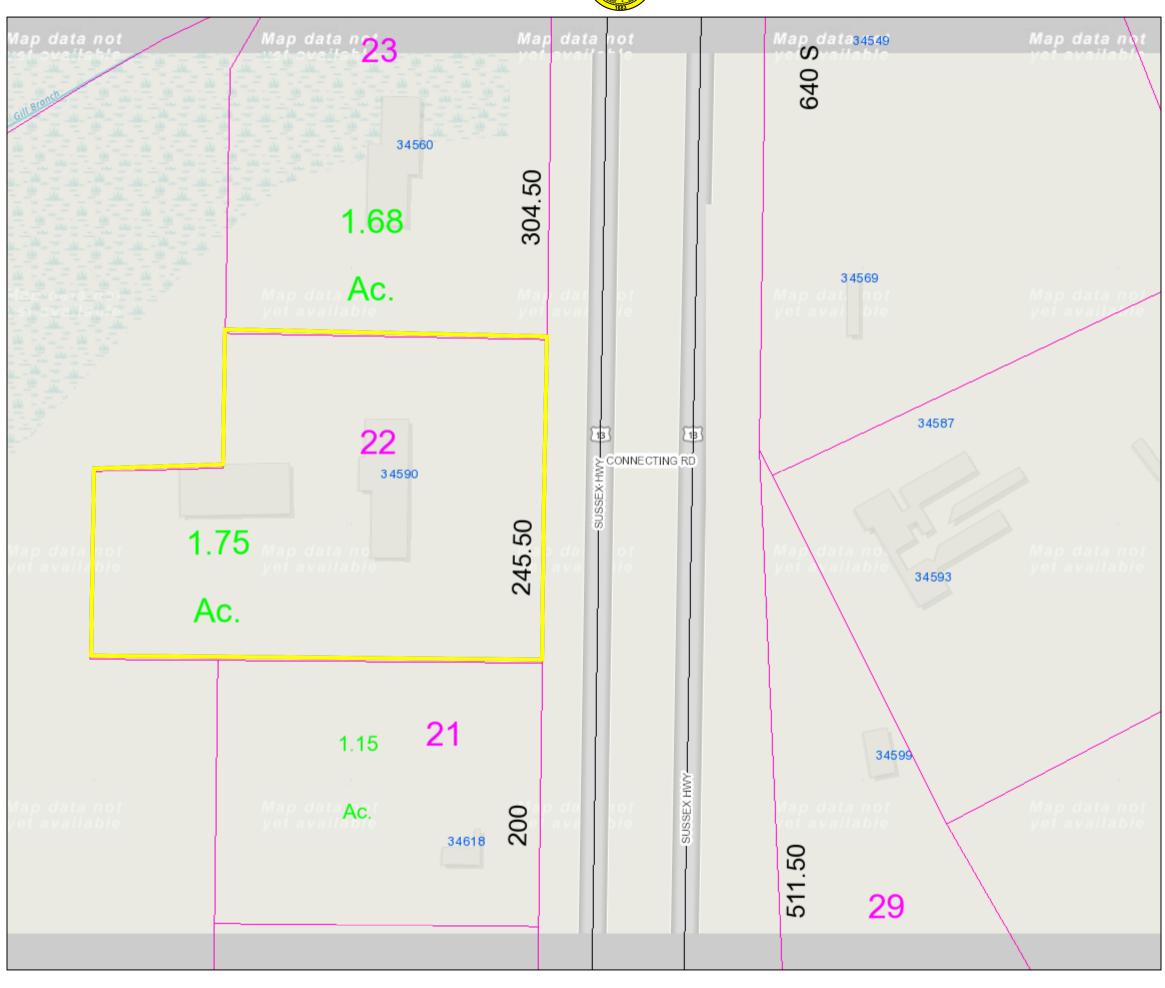
Water: Private, On-site

Site Area: 1.75 acres +/-

Tax Map ID.: 332-7.00-22.00



# Sussex County



PIN:	332-7.00-22.00
Owner Name	TAYLOR CARNEY LLC
Book	5190
Mailing Address	38613 BENRO DR UNIT 5
City	DELMAR
State	DE
Description	W/RT 13
Description 2	N/A
Description 3	N/A
Land Code	

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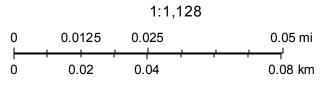
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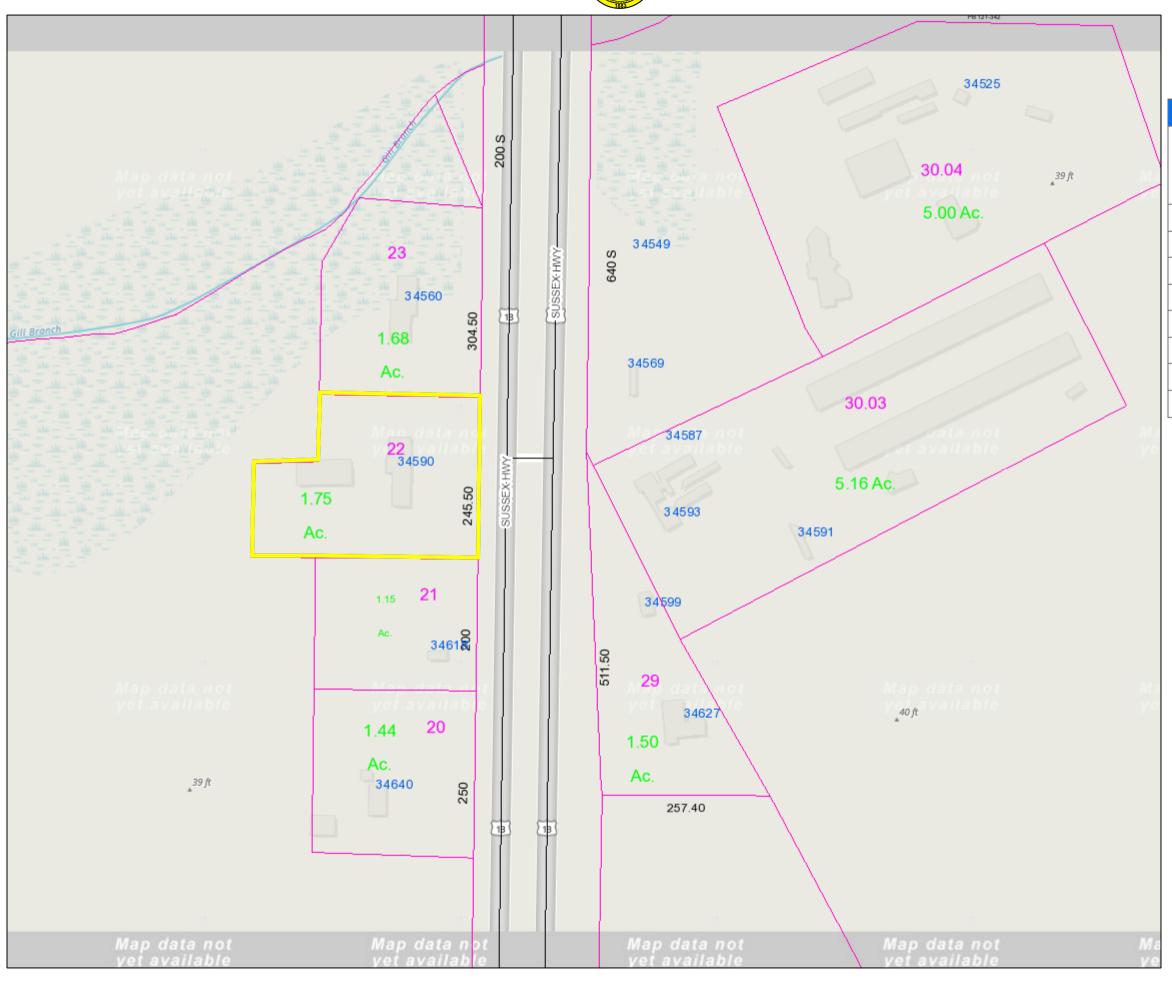
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# Sussex County



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# Memorandum

To: Sussex County Planning Commission Members

From: Jamie Whitehouse, AICP, MRTPI Planning & Zoning Director

CC: Vince Robertson, Assistant County Attorney and applicant

Date: March 17, 2020

RE: Staff Analysis for CU 2224 Pamela Price

This memo is to provide background and analysis for the Planning Commission to consider as a part of application CU 2224 Pamela Price to be reviewed during the March 26, 2020 Planning Commission Meeting. This analysis should be included in the record of this application and is subject to comments and information that may be presented during the public hearing.

The request is for a Conditional Use for parcel 332-7.00-22.00 to allow for a real estate office to be located at 34590 Sussex Hwy. The size of the property is 1.75 ac. +/-.

The 2018 Sussex County Comprehensive Plan Update (Comprehensive Plan) provides a framework for how land is to be developed. As part of the Comprehensive Plan a Future Land Use Map is included to help determine how land should be zoned to ensure responsible development. The Future Land Use map in the plan indicates that the property has the land use designation of Low-Density Area.

The surrounding parcels to the north, east, south, and west are all designated on the Future Land Use Map as "Low Density Area". The properties to the south have the land use designation of "Commercial Area" and "Existing Development Area". The Low-Density Area land use designation recognizes agricultural activities and homes. Business development should be largely confined to business addressing the needs of these two uses. Commercial uses in these residential areas should be limited in their location, size and hours of operation. More intense commercial uses should be avoided in these areas.

The property is zoned AR-1 (Agricultural Residential Zoning District). The adjoining and surrounding properties to the north, south, east and west are all zoned AR-1 (Agricultural Residential Zoning District). Since 2011, there have been no applications for Conditional Uses in the area.

Based on the analysis of the land use, surrounding zoning and uses, the Conditional Use for a real estate office could be considered consistent with the land use, area zoning and uses.



File #: <u>CU # 2224</u>

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# Planning & Zoning Commission Application Sussex County, Delaware

Sussex County Planning & Zoning Department 2 The Circle (P.O. Box 417) Georgetown, DE 19947 302-855-7878 ph. 302-854-5079 fax

Type of Application: (please check applicable) Conditional Use Zoning Map Amendment
Site Address of Conditional Use/Zoning Map Amendment  34590 Sussex Hwy Lowrel, DE 19956  Type of Conditional Use Requested:
Professional Office/Small Real Estate Office  Tax Map #: 382-07.00-22.00 Size of Parcel(s): 1.75
Current Zoning: AR-1 Proposed Zoning: AR-1 Size of Building: 2800 Sqft
Land Use Classification: RS
Water Provider: Sewer Provider: Septic
Applicant Information  Applicant Name: Pamela Hill  Applicant Address: 38613 Benro Dr. Unit 5  City: Delmar State: De ZipCode: 19940  Phone #: 302.249.2546 E-mail: Pamprice@remax.net
Owner Information  Owner Name: Pamela Price, Taylor Carney UC  Owner Address: 38613 Benro Dr Wnit 5  City: Delmar State: De Zip Code: 19940  Phone #: 302249546 E-mail: Pamprice & remax.nel
Agent/Attorney/Engineer Information  Agent/Attorney/Engineer Name: Holler and Hudson  Agent/Attorney/Engineer Address: 101 S. Bedford St.  City: Georgetown State: De Zip Code: 19947  Phone #: 3028564595 E-mail: Stephanic@hallerand.hudson.com





# Check List for Sussex County Planning & Zoning Applications The following shall be submitted with the application

-	Completed Application
_	Provide eight (8) copies of the Site Plan or Survey of the property  Survey shall show the location of existing or proposed building(s), building setbacks, parking area, proposed entrance location, etc.  Provide a PDF of Plans (may be e-mailed to a staff member)  Deed or Legal description
-	Provide Fee \$500.00
_	Optional - Additional information for the Commission/Council to consider (ex. architectural elevations, photos, exhibit books, etc.) If provided submit 8 copies and they shall be submitted a minimum of ten (10) days prior to the Planning Commission meeting.
_	Please be aware that Public Notice will be sent to property owners within 200 feet of the subject site and County staff will come out to the subject site, take photos and place a sign on the site stating the date and time of the Public Hearings for the application.
	DelDOT Service Level Evaluation Request Response
-	PLUS Response Letter (if required)
	igned hereby certifies that the forms, exhibits, and statements contained in any papers or itted as a part of this application are true and correct.
Zoning Com and that I w needs, the	y that I or an agent on by behalf shall attend all public hearing before the Planning and nmission and the Sussex County Council and any other hearing necessary for this application will answer any questions to the best of my ability to respond to the present and future health, safety, morals, convenience, order, prosperity, and general welfare of the inhabitants ounty, Delaware.
Signature	of Applicant/Agent/Attorney
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Signature	of Owner
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Staff accepti	e only: ted:
Subdivision: Date of PC H Date of CC H	learing: 3 26 2020 Recommendation of PC Commission:



### STATE OF DELAWARE

### DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

800 BAY ROAD P.O. BOX 778 DOVER, DELAWARE 19903

JENNIFER COHAN SECRETARY

February 11, 2020

Mr. Jamie Whitehouse, Acting Director Sussex County Planning & Zoning P.O. Box 417 Georgetown, DE 19947

Dear Mr. Jamie:

The Department has completed its review of a Service Level Evaluation Request for the **Pamela Price** conditional use application, which we received on January 13, 2020. This application is for an approximately 1.75-acre parcel (Tax Parcel: 332-7.00-22.00). The subject land is located on the west side of US Route 13, approximately 1,250 feet northwest of the intersection of US Route 13 and Whitesville Road / Dorothy Road (Sussex Road 64), southeast of Laurel. The subject land is currently zoned as AR-1 (Agricultural Residential), and the applicant is seeking a conditional use approval to utilize the existing residential facility as five-employee real estate office.

Per the 2018 Delaware Vehicle Volume Summary, the annual average daily traffic volume along the segment of US Route 13 where the subject land is located, which is from Whitesville Road / Dorothy Road to Delaware Route 24, is 22,602 vehicles per day.

Based on our review, we estimate that the above land use will generate fewer than 50 vehicle trips in any hour and fewer than 500 vehicle trips per day. These numbers of trips are DelDOT's minimum warrants for determining that a Traffic Impact Study (TIS) should be required for a particular development. Because the proposed land use would not meet these warrants, we consider the development's traffic impact to be negligible in the context of our agreement with the County regarding land development coordination and we do not recommend that the applicant be required to perform a TIS for the subject application. DelDOT's description of this application as negligible with regard to warranting a TIS does not mean that it is negligible in other respects. We recommend that the applicant not be required to perform a TIS for the subject application.

The subject property is adjacent to US Route 13, thereby is subject to the Department's Corridor Capacity Preservation Program. The main goal of the Program is to maintain the capacity of the existing highway by minimizing the number of direct driveway access points on the arterial highway. The Program was established in accordance with the provisions of Title 17, Section 145 of the Delaware Code. According to the Office of State Planning, Strategies for State Policies and Spending document, the property is located within a Level 4 Investment Area. In this Investment Area, State policies encourage the preservation of a rural lifestyle and discourage new development. According to Program policy, no new or expanded



Mr. Jamie Whitehouse Page 2 of 2 February 11, 2020

direct access to the corridor will be permitted in a Level 4 Investment Area. Therefore, the property owner can retain direct access to the corridor for a development that produces a similar vehicular trip generation as compared to the site's current use; under 100 vehicle trips per day according to the 10<sup>th</sup> Edition of the Institute of Transportation Engineers (ITE) <u>Trip Generation Manual</u>. The U-shape driveway will be subject to review by the Subdivision and District Offices and may require some modification. The Corridor Capacity Preservation Program policy can be viewed on Department's website at <u>www.deldot.gov</u>.

If the County approves this application, the applicant should be reminded that DelDOT requires compliance with State regulations regarding plan approvals and entrance permits, whether or not a TIS is required.

Please contact Mr. Claudy Joinville, at (302) 760-2124, if you have questions concerning this correspondence or Mr. Thomas Felice, at (302) 760-2338, if you have questions concerning the Corridor Capacity Preservation Program.

Sincerely,

T. William Brockenbrough, Jr.

J. William Brochenbrough, &

County Coordinator

**Development Coordination** 

# TWB:cjm

cc: Constance C. Holland, Coordinator, Cabinet Committee on State Planning Issues Pamela Price, Applicant

J. Marc Coté, Assistant Director, Development Coordination

Thomas Felice, Corridor Capacity Preservation Program Manager, Development Coordination

Gemez Norwood, South District Public Works Manager, Maintenance & Operations Susanne K. Laws, Sussex County Review Coordinator, Development Coordination Derek Sapp, Subdivision Manager, Development Coordination Kevin Hickman, Subdivision Manager, Development Coordination Brian Yates, Subdivision Manager, Development Coordination John Andrescavage, Subdivision Manager, Development Coordination James Argo, South District Project Reviewer, Maintenance & Operations Troy Brestel, Project Engineer, Development Coordination Claudy Joinville, Project Engineer, Development Coordination

# To whom it may concern:

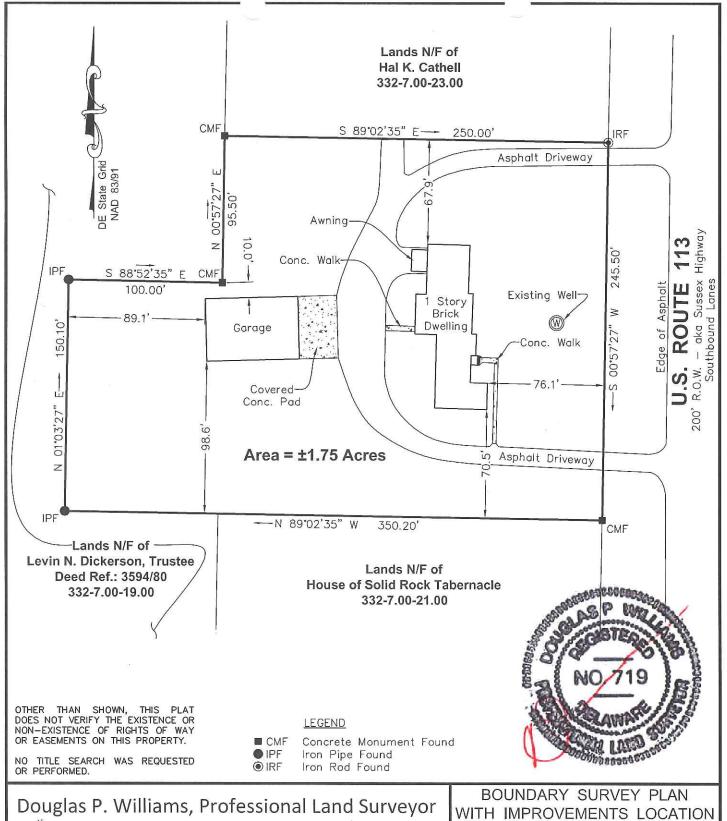
In regards to the property we currently own located at 34590 Sussex Highway, Laurel, DE 19956, the new buyers for the property are applying for Conditional Use to be able to occupy the property as a professional building/real estate office. We welcome this use of the property and are willing to provide any necessary documentation you may need.

Please do not hesitate to contact us with any questions or concerns at 443-359-0100.

Sincerely,

Hal & Lisa Cathell

Add Anther



# Land Surveying • Land Planning • GPS/GIS 9072 Canter Lane

Hebron, MD 21830 410-726-1831

34590 SUSSEX HIGHWAY TOWN OF LAUREL

SUSSEX COUNTY, DELAWARE

SCALE	DATE	TAX MAP
1'' = 60'	01/09/2020	332-7.00
JOB NO.	DRAWN BY	PARCEL
20001	MPB	22.00

NOTES 1. Deed Ref.: 4018/198

2. Plat Ref.: N/A 3. Owner of Record: Cathell Family, LLC 3510 Yacht Club Rd. Eden, MD 21822

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# PLANNING AND ZONING AND COUNTY COUNCIL INFORMATION SHEET Planning Commission Public Hearing Date: February 27, 2020

Application: CU 2209 & CZ 1907 Matthew C. Hete

Applicant/Owner: Matthew C. Hete

45 Kings Creek Circle

Rehoboth Beach, DE 19971

Site Location: 34360 Postal Lane. Southeast side of Postal Lane, approximately 0.22

mile east of Plantation Road.

Current Zoning: AR-1 (Agricultural Residential District)

Proposed Zoning: MR (Medium Residential District)

Proposed Use: Multi-Family (14 Units)

Comprehensive Land

Use Plan Reference: Coastal Area

Councilmatic

District: Mr. Burton

School District: Cape Henlopen School District

Fire District: Lewes Fire District

Sewer: Sussex County

Water: Tidewater

Site Area: 1.25 ac. +/-

Tax Map ID.: 334-6.00-686.00







PIN:	334-6.00-686.00
Owner Name	HETE MATTHEW C
Book	4887
Mailing Address	45 KING CREEK CIR
City	REHOBOTH BEACH
State	DE
Description	SE/S RD 283
Description 2	2080' S/RT 1
Description 3	N/A
Land Code	

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911 Address

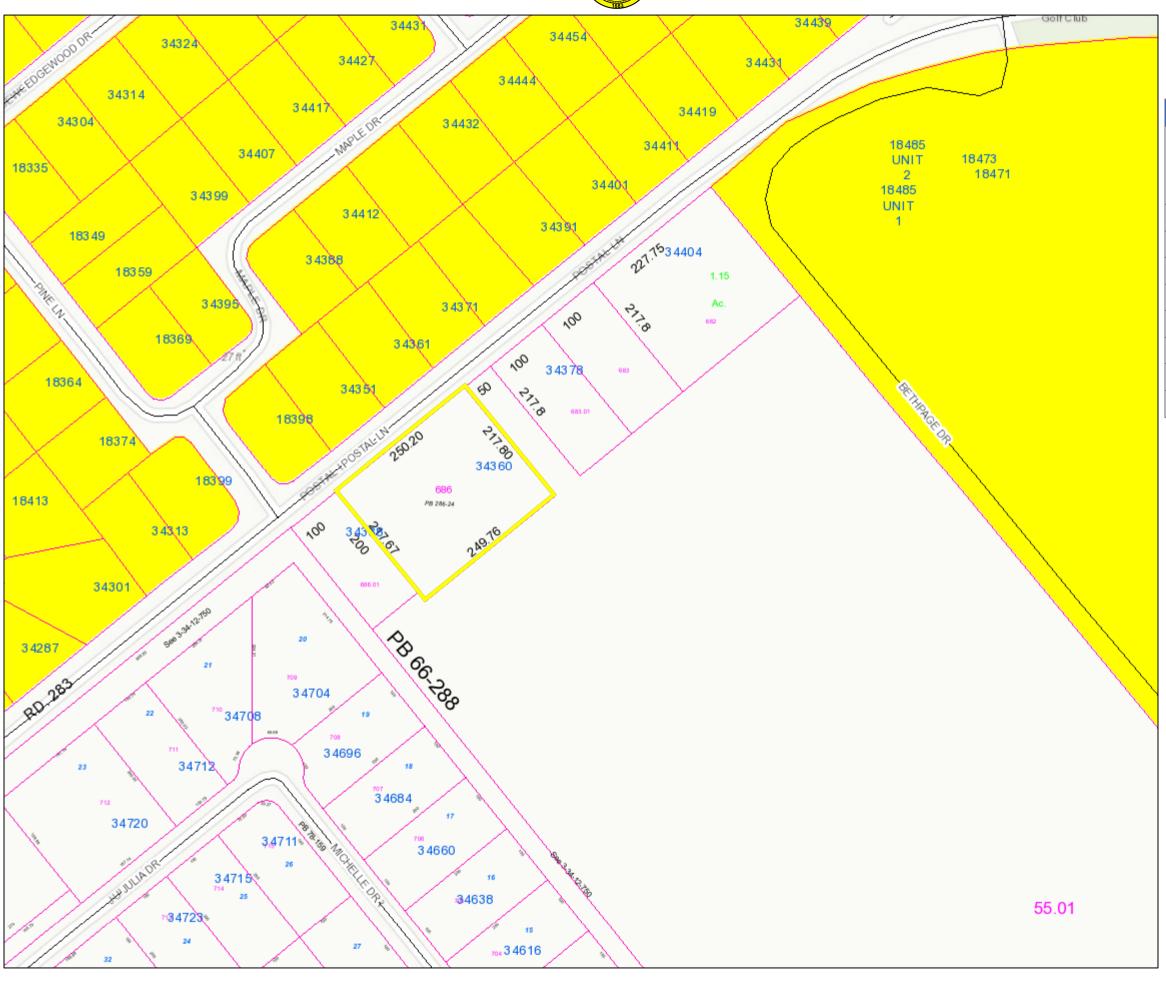
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PIN:	334-6.00-686.00
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Book	4887
Mailing Address	45 KING CREEK CIR
City	REHOBOTH BEACH
State	DE
Description	SE/S RD 283
Description 2	2080' S/RT 1
Description 3	N/A
Land Code	

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# Memorandum

To: Sussex County Planning Commission Members

From: Lauren DeVore, Planner III

CC: Vince Robertson, Assistant County Attorney and Applicant

Date: February 11, 2020

RE: Staff Analysis for CU 2209 Matthew C. Hete

This memo is to provide background and analysis for the Planning Commission to consider as a part of application CU 2209 Matthew C. Hete to be reviewed during the March 12, 2020 Planning Commission Meeting. This analysis should be included in the record of this application and is subject to comments and information that may be presented during the public hearing.

The request is for a Conditional Use for 334-6.00-686.00 to allow for 14 multifamily dwelling units to be located at 34360 Postal Lane (S.C.R. 283) south of the Sandy Brae Subdivision and Postal Lane (S.C.R. 283). The size of the property is 1.251 acres +/-.

The 2018 Sussex County Comprehensive Plan Update (Comprehensive Plan) provides a framework of how land is to be developed. As part of the Comprehensive Plan a Future Land Use Map is included to help determine how land should be zoned to ensure responsible development. The Future Land Use map in the plan indicates that the property has the land use designation of "Coastal Area."

The areas to the to the north, south, east and west are also designated "Coastal Areas." "Coastal Areas" are areas that can accommodate development provided special environmental concerns are addressed. The "Coastal Area" also supports a range of housing types including single-family homes, townhomes, and multi-family units. Retail and office uses are appropriate but larger shopping centers and office parks should be confined to selected locations with access along arterial roads. Mixed-use development should also be allowed.

The property is zoned Agricultural Residential (AR-1). The properties to the north of the application site on the opposite side of Postal Lane (S.C.R. 283) are zoned Medium Density Residential (MR) Zoning District. Properties to the east, west and south of the application site are zoned Agricultural Residential (AR-1) Zoning District

Since 2011, there have been no Conditional Use approvals within a 1-mile radius of the application site.

Based on the analysis of the land use, surrounding zoning and uses, the Conditional Use for the abovementioned use subject to considerations of scale and impact, could be considered as having a limited degree of consistency with the land use, area zoning and surrounding uses.



File #: <u>CU 2209</u> 2019 12383

# Planning & Zoning Commission Application Sussex County, Delaware

Sussex County Planning & Zoning Department 2 The Circle (P.O. Box 417) Georgetown, DE 19947 302-855-7878 ph. 302-854-5079 fax

Type of Application: (please che Conditional Use ✓	eck applicable)	
Zoning Map Amendment		
Site Address of Conditional Us	e/Zoning Map Amendme	ent
34360 Postal Lane, Lewes, DE 19958	3	
Type of Conditional Use Reque Seeking conditional use to permit mu		-
Tax Map #: 334-6.00-686.00		Size of Parcel(s): 1.25 Ac.
Current Zoning: AR-1 P	roposed Zoning: $rac{ ext{MR}}{ ext{}}$	Size of Building: 0.50 Ac. +/-
Land Use Classification: Mixed F	Residential	
Water Provider: Tidewater Utilitie	es Sew	ver Provider: Sussex County
Applicant Information		
Applicant Name: Matthew C. Hete	)	
Applicant Address: 45 Kings Cree		
the second secon		ZipCode: <u>19971</u>
Phone #:(302) 344-8988	E-mail: mchet	e@msn.com
Owner Information		
Owner Name: Same as Applicant		
Owner Address:		
City:	State:	Zip Code:
Phone #:	E-mail:	
Agent/Attorney/Engineer Info	rmation	
Agent/Attorney/Engineer Name	e: The Kercher Group, Inc.	
Agent/Attorney/Engineer Addr	ess: 37385 Rehoboth Ave. E	xt., Unit#11
City: Rehoboth Beach	State: <u>DE</u>	Zip Code: <u>19971</u>
Phone #:(302) 781-4346	E-mail: kts@k	erchergroup.com





# **Check List for Sussex County Planning & Zoning Applications**

The following shall be submitted with the application

Completed Application	
<ul> <li>Provide eight (8) copies of the Site Plan or Sur</li> <li>Survey shall show the location of exist parking area, proposed entrance location</li> <li>Provide a PDF of Plans (may be e-mail</li> <li>Deed or Legal description</li> </ul>	ing or proposed building(s), building setbacks, ion, etc.
✓ Provide Fee \$500.00	
Optional - Additional information for the Cor architectural elevations, photos, exhibit books shall be submitted a minimum of ten (10) day	, etc.) If provided submit 8 copies and they
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PLUS Response Letter (if required)	
The undersigned hereby certifies that the forms, exhibits, plans submitted as a part of this application are true and of	
I also certify that I or an agent on by behalf shall attend all Zoning Commission and the Sussex County Council and an and that I will answer any questions to the best of my abil needs, the health, safety, morals, convenience, order, pro of Sussex County, Delaware.	y other hearing necessary for this application ity to respond to the present and future
Signature of Applicant/Agent/Attorney	
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# Memorandum

To: Sussex County Planning Commission Members

From: Lauren DeVore, Planner III

CC: Vince Robertson, Assistant County Attorney and applicant

Date: January 16, 2020

RE: Staff Analysis for CZ 1907 Matthew C. Hete

This memo is to provide background and analysis for the Planning Commission to consider as a part of application CZ 1907 Matthew C. Hete to be reviewed during the March 12, 2020 Planning Commission Meeting. This analysis should be included in the record of this application and is subject to comments and information that may be presented during the public hearing.

The request is for a Change of Zone for parcel 334-6.00-686.00 to facilitate a change from an Agricultural Residential (AR-1) Zoning District to the Medium Density Residential (MR) Zoning District and is located at 34360 Postal Lane (S.C.R. 283) south of the Sandy Brae Subdivision and Postal Lane (S.C.R. 283). The size of the property is 1.251 acres +/-.

The 2018 Sussex County Comprehensive Plan Update (Comprehensive Plan) provides a framework of how land is to be developed. As part of the Comprehensive Plan a Future Land Use Map is included to help determine how land should be zoned to ensure responsible development. The Future Land Use map in the plan indicates that the property has the land use designation of "Coastal Area."

The areas to the to the north, south, east and west are also designated "Coastal Areas." "Coastal Areas" are areas that can accommodate development provided special environmental concerns are addressed. The "Coastal Area" also supports a range of housing types including single-family homes, townhomes, and multi-family units. Retail and office uses are appropriate but larger shopping centers and office parks should be confined to selected locations with access along arterial roads. Mixed-use development should also be allowed.

The Medium Commercial (C-2) Zoning District is listed as an applicable zoning district for the Coastal Area under Table 4.5-2 "Zoning Districts Applicable to Future Land Use Categories" of the 2018 Sussex County Comprehensive Plan.

The property is zoned Agricultural Residential (AR-1). The properties to the north of the application site on the opposite side of Postal Lane (S.C.R. 283) are zoned Medium Density Residential (MR) Zoning District. Properties to the east, west and south of the application site are zoned Agricultural Residential (AR-1) Zoning District.



Staff Analysis CZ 1907 Matthew Hete Planning and Zoning Commission for March 12, 2020

Since 2011, there has been one Change of Zone application within the vicinity of the application site: To the southeast is CZ 1835 to facilitate a change of zone from an Agricultural Residential (AR-1) Zoning District to the Neighborhood Business (B-1) Zoning District, which was approved by County Council on January 9<sup>th</sup>, 208 and adopted through Ordinance #2546

Based on the analysis of the land use, surrounding zoning and uses, a change of zone to allow for a property zoned Medium Density Residential (MR) Zoning District subject to considerations of scale and impact, could be considered as being consistent with the land use, area zoning and surrounding uses.

File #: <u>CZ1907</u>

201912382

# Planning & Zoning Commission Application Sussex County, Delaware

Sussex County Planning & Zoning Department 2 The Circle (P.O. Box 417) Georgetown, DE 19947 302-855-7878 ph. 302-854-5079 fax

Type of Application: (please che Conditional Use	ck applicable)	20
Zoning Map Amendment 🗹		
Site Address of Conditional Use,	Zoning Map Amendme	ent
34360 Postal Lane, Lewes, DE 19958		
Type of Conditional Use Reques Seeking change of zone from agricultu		lium density residential (MR)
Tax Map #: 334-6.00-686.00		Size of Parcel(s): 1.25 Ac.
Current Zoning: AR-I Pro	pposed Zoning: MR	Size of Building: 0.50 Ac. +/-
Land Use Classification: Mixed Re	esidential	
Water Provider: Tidewater Utilities	Sew	er Provider: Sussex County
Applicant Information		
Applicant Name: Matthew C. Hete		
Applicant Address: 45 Kings Creek	Circle	
		ZipCode: <u>19971</u>
Phone #:(302) 344-8988	E-mail: mchet	e@msn.com
Owner Information		
Owner Name: Same as Applicant		
Owner Address:		
		Zip Code:
Phone #:	E-mail:	
Agent/Attorney/Engineer Inform	mation	
Agent/Attorney/Engineer Name:	The Kercher Group, Inc.	
Agent/Attorney/Engineer Addre	ss: 37385 Rehoboth Ave. Ex	kt., Unit#11
City: Rehoboth Beach	State: <u>DE</u>	
Phone #: <u>(302) 781-4346</u>	E-mail: kts@k	erchergroup.com





# **Check List for Sussex County Planning & Zoning Applications**

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### STATE OF DELAWARE

### DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

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P.O. BOX 778
DOVER, DELAWARE 19903

JENNIFER COHAN SECRETARY

June 13, 2019

Ms. Janelle Cornwell, Director Sussex County Planning & Zoning P.O. Box 417 Georgetown, DE 19947

Dear Ms. Cornwell:

The Department has completed its review of a Service Level Evaluation Request for the Matthew Hete conditional use application, which we received on May 22, 2019. This application is for an approximately 1.25-acre assemblage of parcels (Tax Parcels: 334-6.00-685.01 and 686.00). The subject land is located on the southeast side of Postal Lane (Sussex Road 283), approximately 1,200 feet northeast of the intersection of Plantation Road (Sussex Road 275) and Postal Lane / Cedar Grove Road (Sussex Road 283). The subject land is currently zoned as AR-1 (Agricultural Residential) and the applicant is seeking a conditional use approval to develop five 5 single-family detached houses.

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Ms. Janelle M. Cornwell Page 2 of 2 June 13, 2019

Please contact Mr. Claudy Joinville, at (302) 760-2124, if you have questions concerning this correspondence.

Sincerely,

T. William Brockenbrough, Jr.

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County Coordinator

Development Coordination

TWB:cjm

cc: Constance C. Holland, Coordinator, Cabinet Committee on State Planning Issues Matthew Hete, Applicant

J. Marc Coté, Assistant Director, Development Coordination
Gemez Norwood, South District Public Works Manager, Maintenance & Operations
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John Andrescavage, Subdivision Manager, Development Coordination
Troy Brestel, Project Engineer, Development Coordination
Claudy Joinville, Project Engineer, Development Coordination

# UTILITY PLANNING DIVISION C/U & C/Z COMMENTS

TO:

Jamie Whitehouse

REVIEWER:

Chris Calio

DATE:

2/18/2020

APPLICATION:

CU 2209 & CZ 1907 Matthew C. Hete

APPLICANT:

Matthew C. Hete

FILE NO:

OM-9.04

TAX MAP &

PARCEL(S):

334-6.00-686.00

LOCATION:

34360 Postal Lane. Southeast side of Postal Lane, approximately 0.22 mile east of Plantation Road.

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NO. OF UNITS:

5

**GROSS** 

ACREAGE:

1.25

SYSTEM DESIGN ASSUMPTION, MAXIMUM NO. OF UNITS/ACRE: 4

### SEWER:

(1). Is the project in a County operated and maintained sanitary sewer and/or water district?

Yes

No 🗵

- a. If yes, see question (2).
- b. If no, see question (7).
- (2). Which County Tier Area is project in? Tier 2
- (3). Is wastewater capacity available for the project? **Yes, As Proposed** If not, what capacity is available? **N/A**.
- (4). Is a Construction Agreement required? **Yes** If yes, contact Utility Engineering at (302) 855-7717.
- (5). Are there any System Connection Charge (SCC) credits for the project? No If yes, how many? N/A. Is it likely that additional SCCs will be required? Yes If yes, the current System Connection Charge Rate is Unified \$6,360.00 per EDU. Please contact Christine Fletcher at 302-855-7719 for additional information on charges.

- Is the project capable of being annexed into a Sussex County sanitary sewer (6).district? Yes
  - ☑ Attached is a copy of the Policy for Extending District Boundaries in a Sussex County Water and/or Sanitary Sewer District.
- Is project adjacent to the Unified Sewer District? Yes (7).
- Comments: This parcel was originally two separate parcel which were (8).combined in 2019. The original allocation was for 1 EDU per parcel.
- Is a Sewer System Concept Evaluation required? No (9).
- (10). Is a Use of Existing Infrastructure Agreement Required? Yes

UTILITY PLANNING APPROVAL:

John J. Ashman

Director of Utility Planning

Xc: Hans M. Medlarz, P.E. Jayne Dickerson

Christine Fletcher

# **Policy for Extending District Boundaries**

- 1. Property owner (developer) and/or his representative shall make a request to the Utility Planning Division for a Sewer System Concept Evaluation.
- 2. Property owner (developer) and/or his representative shall meet with the applicable planning and zoning agency to determine if zoning is appropriate for the development being planned.
- 3. With appropriate zoning, property owner (developer) and/or his representative shall send a letter (with appropriate application fee as listed below) requesting the Sussex County Council to consider extending the water and/or sanitary sewer district boundaries. (Sussex County Code)

Application Fees	
Less than 2 acres	\$500.00
2.1 - 9.99 acres	\$750.00
10 - 150.00 acres	\$1,500.00
Greater than 150.00 acres	\$2,500.00

- 4. The Sussex County Engineering Department shall present, for Sussex County Council's consideration, posting of notices for the proposed extension of the district boundaries.
- 5. The Sussex County Council approves posting notices for the proposed extension of the boundaries. (If approval to post the notices is not given, the appropriate fee is refunded.)
- 6. Within ninety days of the posting of the notices, the Sussex County Council approves/disapproves extending the boundaries.
- 7. The Sussex County Council approves/disapproves of the extension of the water and/or sanitary sewer pipelines under the appropriate Sussex County Ordinance.

March 15,2020

Michael H. Vincent, Council President Samuel R. Wilson Jr. Irwin G. Burton III George B. Cole, Council Vice President Robert B. Arlett Sussex County Council 2 The Circle, P.O. Box 589 Received 3/17/20

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SUSSEX COUNTY
PLANNING & ZONING

# Dear Council Members:

Georgetown, DE 19947

We are the partners of HKLS, LLC, located on the Southwest corner of Plantations Rd and Cedar Grove/Postal Lane intersection. We are writing in support of the Change of Zone Density application number C/Z 1907 & C/U 2209, made by Matthew C. Here for parcel #334-6.00-686.00, because we believe the zoning change would allow for needed affordable housing to be built and benefit local residents.

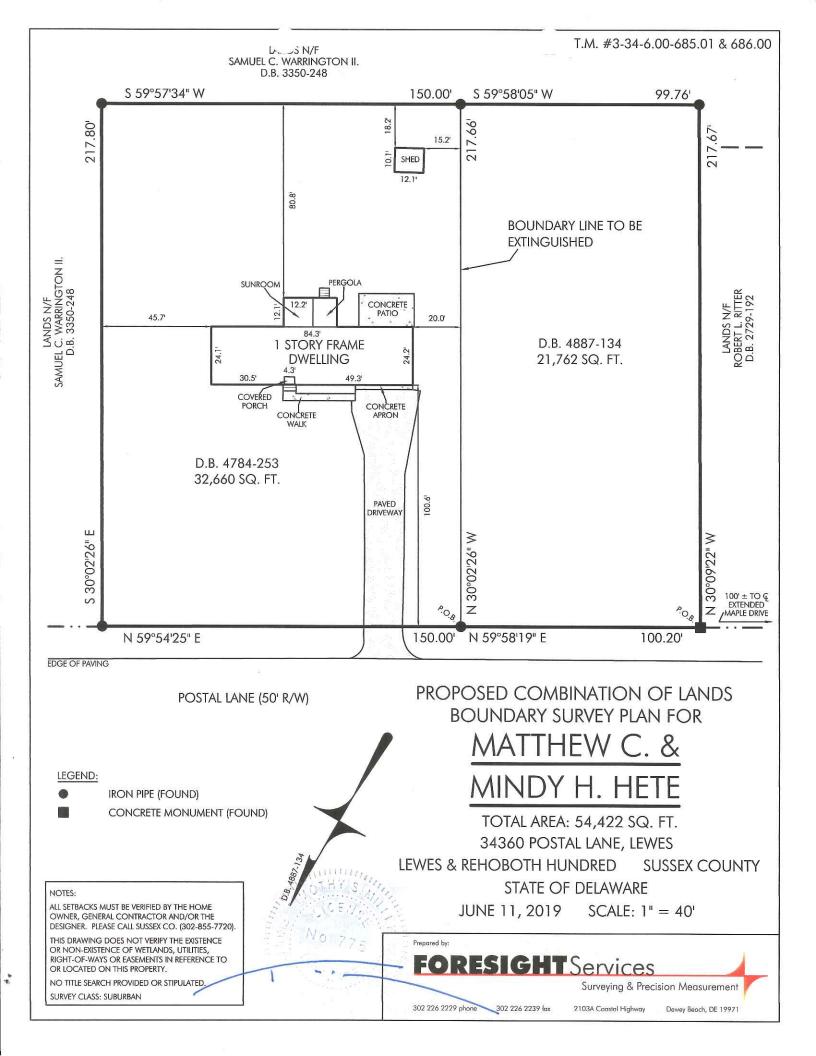
We respectfully submit our support for approval of this rezoning application.

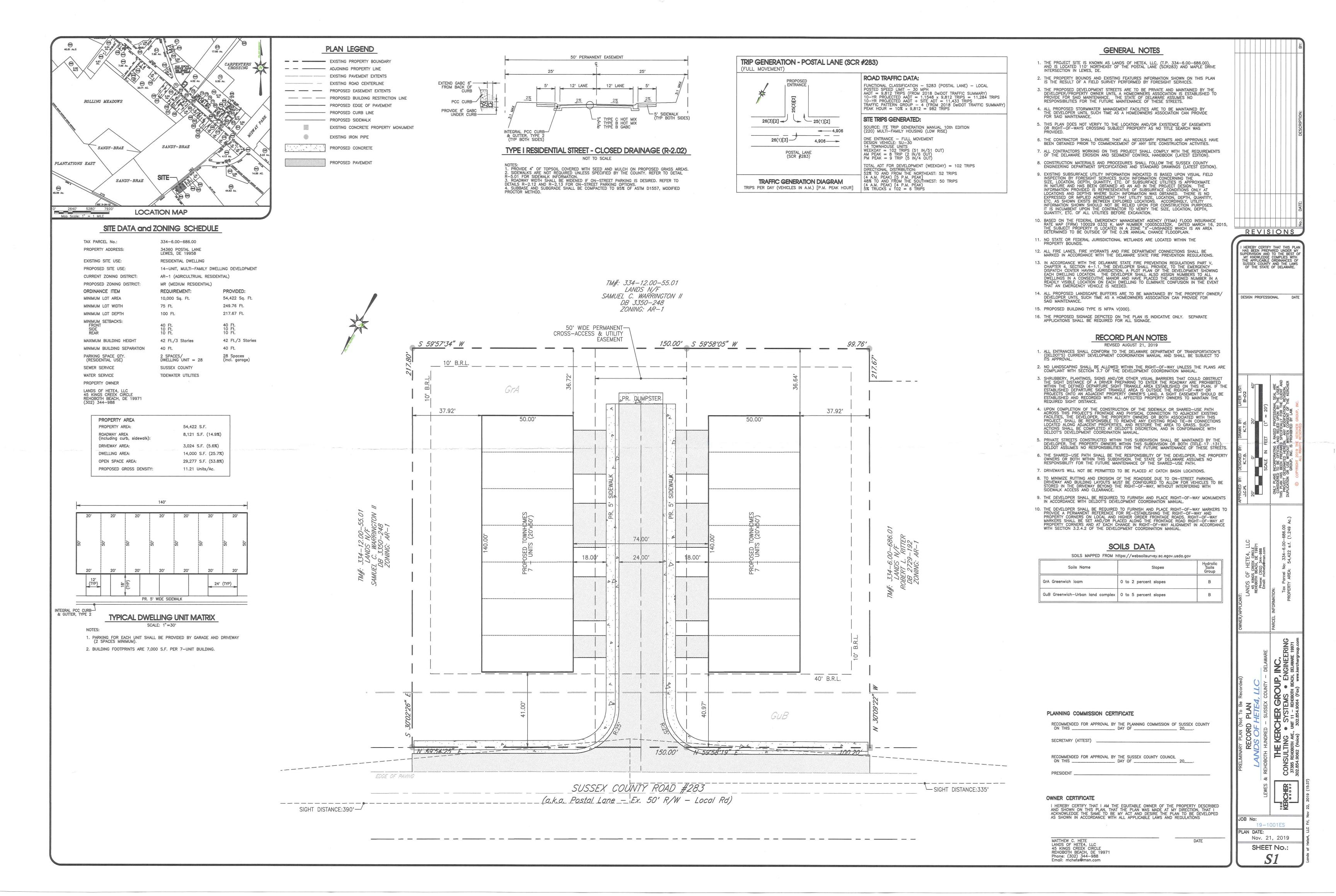
Sincerely,

Kenneth K. Martin

On behalf of HKLS partners, LLC

Sherri S. Martin







Consulting I Systems I Engineering



Lands of Hete4, LLC C/Z #1907 & C/U #2209

Proposed 14-unit
Townhome Development

Lewes & Rehoboth Hundred Sussex County, Delaware

March 5, 2020

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Applicant Information				
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Applicant Address: 45 Kin				
	~	ZipCode: <u>19971</u>		
=		ete@msn.com		
Owner Information				
Owner Name: Same as App	olicant			
Owner Address:				
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Agent/Attorney/Enginee	r Name: The Kercher Group, Inc			
•	r Address: 37385 Rehoboth Ave.	Ext., Unit#11		
City: Rehoboth Beach	State: <u>DE</u>	Zip Code: <u>19971</u>		
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#### **PLANNING & ZONING**

JANELLE M. CORNWELL, AICP DIRECTOR (302) 855-7878 T (302) 854-5079 F





### Service Level Evaluation Request Form

This form **shall** be submitted to the Planning and Zoning Office and a response **shall** be received back from DelDOT prior to the applicant being able to submit an application to the Planning and Zoning Office.

Date: 10/24/19		
Site Information:		
Site Address/Location: 34360 Postal Lane, Lewes, DE 19	958	
Tax Parcel Number: 334-6.00-686.00		
Current Zoning: AR-1		
Proposed Zoning: MR		
Land Use Classification: Mixed Residential		
Proposed Use(s): 14 multi-family units (townhomes)  Square footage of any proposed buildings or number of ur	 nits: <u>21,780 s.f.</u>	
Applicant Information:		
Applicant's Name: Matthew C. Hete		
Applicant's Address: 45 Kings Creek Circle		
	rate: DE	Zip Code: <u>19971</u>
Applicant's Phone Number: (302) 344-8988 Applicant's e-mail address: mchete@msn.com		





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DOVER, DELAWARE 19903

JENNIFER COHAN SECRETARY

November 20, 2019

Ms. Janelle Cornwell, Director Sussex County Planning & Zoning P.O. Box 417 Georgetown, DE 19947

Dear Ms. Cornwell:

The Department has completed its review of a Service Level Evaluation Request for the **Matthew C. Hete** rezoning application, which we received on October 24, 2019. This application is for an approximately 1.25-acre parcel (Tax Parcel: 334-6.00-686.00). The subject land is located on the southeast side of Postal Lane (Sussex Road 283), approximately 1,200 feet northeast of the intersection of Plantation Road (Sussex Road 275) and Postal Lane / Cedar Grove Road (Sussex Road 283). The subject land is currently zoned as AR-1 (Agricultural Residential) and the applicant is seeking to rezone the land to MR (Medium-Density Residential) to develop 14 units of multi-family housing (townhouses).

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Ms. Janelle M. Cornwell Page 2 of 2 November 20, 2019

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Sincerely,

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## Strategic Infrastructure and Transportation Asset Management

Consulting I Systems I Engineering

March 5, 2020

Mr. Jamie Whitehouse, Director Sussex County Planning and Zoning Department P.O. Box 417 Georgetown, DE 19947

RE: Lands of Hete4, LLC, C/Z #1907 & C/U #2209

Dear Mr. Whitehouse:

On March 26, 2020 and May 12, 2020, public hearings are to be held in the County Council Chambers, within the Administrative Building of Sussex County. During those hearings, the Planning & Zoning Commission and County Council will allow our clients, Lands of Hete4, LLC to present a rezoning application along with a conditional use for 14-unit townhome development for consideration of approval. The subject development would be known as Lands of Hete4, LLC, referenced as C/Z #1907 and C/U #2209.

Lands of Hete4, LLC is a proposed 14-unit townhome development, located on Postal Lane (SCR 283), approximately 110' northeast of Maple Drive in Lewes, DE. The project shall meet the minimum standards set forth by the County and State. With the subject property currently being zone Agricultural Residential (AR-1), our client is seeking to rezone the property to Medium Residential (MR) with a Conditional Use in order to provide for the multi-family housing at the proposed density of 11.21 units per acre. In a predeveloped condition, the subject property contains a single residential dwelling, which is currently occupied.

The developers of Lands of Hete4, LLC have made every attempt to assure that the design of the project conforms to the articles as presented in the County Code and they would like to be sure that the members of the Commission are aware of what investigations had been performed on the subject property before the public hearing.

Attached to this document are findings associated with Lands of Hete4, LLC. All documents contained within should be on record in the Planning and Zoning Department's file and we hope that they can be used as a guide by both the Planning Commission and the County Council while making their recommendation and decision on the application.

If you should have any questions regarding a statement made within this document please do not hesitate to contact our office at your earliest convenience.

Thank you for your attention and consideration.

Sincerely,

Kevin Smith, Project Manager

# PROPOSED FINDINGS OF FACT and CONDITIONS FOR LANDS OF HETE4, LLC CHANGE OF ZONE #1907 / CONDITIONAL USE #2209

- This is an application for a Change of Zone and Conditional Use for multi-family dwelling units on a parcel of land on the south side of Postal Lane (SCR 283), 1.249 acres in size, and identified by the County Assessment Office as Sussex County Tax Map 334-6.00, parcels 686.00.
- The property is currently zoned AR1 and is located within the County's Environmentally Sensitive Developing District Overlay Zone. A rezoning to MR is proposed.
- The property is located near existing multi-family residential developments (Woods Cove, Heritage Village/American Classic Golf Club). There are other developments located within the immediate vicinity that MR. (Sandy Brae, Plantations East, The Plantations, Summercrest, Maplewood). There are also commercial developments nearby (Pelican Square, Heritage Inn, Bob Evans, Tanger Outlets, Midway Shopping Center).
- According to the Sussex County Comprehensive Plan, this property is identified for purposes of future land use as mixed residential. The Strategies for State Policies and Spending identify the area as an investment level 1.
- The project is in character with a long history of development and approved applications
  for development in the immediate area. The development will provide housing in an area
  where infrastructure and transit services are available and thereby meets the general
  purpose of the County's Zoning Ordinance by promoting the orderly growth, convenience,
  order, prosperity, and welfare of the County.
- The project will be served with central water by Tidewater Utilities, Inc. and wastewater collection will be provided by Sussex County via the Dewey Beach Sanitary Sewer District.

This recommendation of approval is subject to the following conditions:

- 1. There shall be no more than fourteen (14) dwelling units permitted on the subject parcels.
- 2. The Final Record Plan shall be subject to review and approval by the Sussex County Planning and Zoning Commission.

#### **CHAPTER 115-194.3 COMPLIANCE**

Lands of Hete4, LLC is proposing to establish a 14-unit, townhome development located along Postal Lane (SCR 283), approximately 110' northeast of Maple Drive in Lewes, DE. With the subject property currently being zoned Agricultural Residential (AR-1), our Client is seeking to rezone the property to Medium Density Residential (MR) with a Conditional Use in order to provide for the multi-family housing at the proposed density of 11.21 units per acre. While also being blanketed by the Environmentally Sensitive Development District Overlay Zone (ESDDOZ), the project was designed to be compliant with Chapter 115-194.3 in the following manner:

- A. Proposed drainage design and the effect on stormwater quality and quantity leaving the site, including methods for reducing the amount of phosphorous and nitrogen in the stormwater runoff and the control of any other pollutants such as petroleum hydrocarbons or metals.
  - If the application is acted-upon favorably by the Sussex County Council, detailed sediment and stormwater management plans will be prepared for the project and submitted to the Sussex Conservation District for detailed review. While a technical design has yet to be prepared for the proposed site use, it is envisioned that Green Technology Best Management Practices (BMPs) will be designed to manage surface runoff generated by the project. These features will promote the use of infiltration for stormwater management while adhering to the standards established by the Delaware Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control (DNREC) for water quality treatment and the reduction of Total Maximum Daily Loads (TMDLs) associated with development runoff. The use of infiltration practices will also allow for the reduction of stormwater quantity, when compared to a pre-development condition, by not allowing collected runoff to be discharged from the subject property via over-land flow and, instead, allowed to permeate the site's soils.
- B. Proposed method of providing potable and, where appropriate, irrigation water and the effect on public or private water systems and groundwater, including an estimate of average and peak demands.
  - The proposed townhomes will be served with potable water by an existing central water distribution system, owned and operated by Tidewater Utilities, Inc. A new connection will be established to the distribution system and the same source would be used for any potential irrigation of site landscaping, without the use of private wells. Without the use of private wells, it is not envisioned that the project will have a detrimental effect on private water systems and detailed utility plans for the proposed site use will be submitted to Tidewater Utilities for review. This will be done to ensure that adequate service is available for the project and that the proposed utility connection meets their standards and specifications. Based on the proposed site use, it is estimated that the average daily demand for potable water will be 4,200 gallons per day, with the same being the peak demand.
- C. Proposed means of wastewater treatment and disposal with an analysis of the effect on the quality of groundwater and surface waters, including alternative locations for on-site septic systems.
  - The proposed townhomes will be served for wastewater treatment by means of a connection to an existing central wastewater collection system, owned and

operated by Sussex County. As such, private septic systems for the project will not be proposed and effects on the quality of groundwater and surface water from the treatment of wastewater will be eliminated.

### D. Analysis of the increase in traffic and the effect on the surrounding roadway system.

By the creation of the proposed townhomes, it is estimated that 102 vehicular trips will be generated via site ingress and egress on a daily basis. With that, the applicant will be required to prepare detailed entrance plans for the project for technical review by the Delaware Department of Transportation (DelDOT). These plans will be reviewed for full compliance with State standards and the applicant will be required to improve both the site and Shady Road as DelDOT would see fit to ensure vehicular and pedestrian safety.

### E. The presence of any endangered or threatened species listed on federal or state registers and proposed habitat protection areas.

 Due to the existing developed nature of the subject property and surrounding areas, it is not expected to have any endangered or threatened species within the property bounds.

### F. The preservation and protection from loss of any tidal or non-tidal wetlands on the site.

- There an no tidal or non-tidal wetlands present within the property bounds.

#### G. Provisions for open space as defined in § 115-4.

- The design for the Lands of Hete4, LLC allows for 0.672 acres (53.8% of the parcel area) of open space to be established. These would be areas set-aside for landscaping and stormwater management treatment.

#### H. A description of provisions for public and private infrastructure.

To serve the proposed townhomes, private infrastructure will be established. This would include parking facilities, roadways, wastewater utilities, potable water utilities, and stormwater management utilities to support the project. Public utilities will be limited to the establishment of a pedestrian walkway along the property frontage, as required by DelDOT.

#### I. Economic, recreational or other benefits.

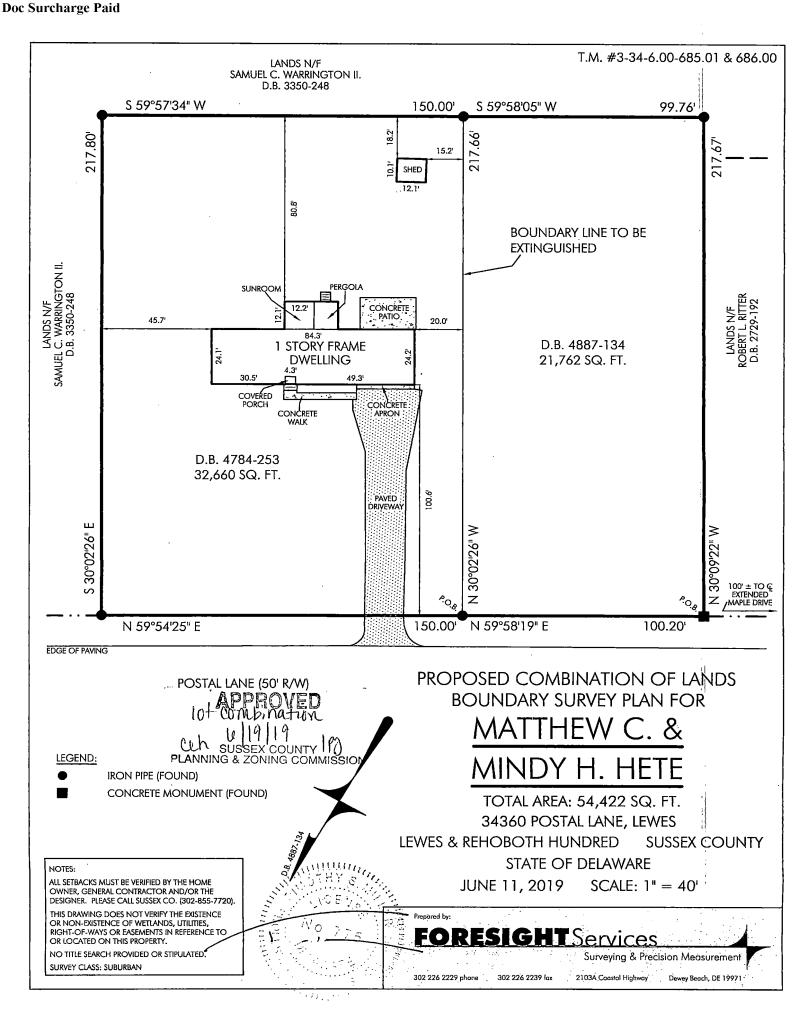
- The creation of the townhomes will support jobs in the local community, employing the need for skilled tradesmen to establish new infrastructure for the project, prepare the property, and erect the dwelling units.

### J. The presence of any historic or cultural resources that are listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

- There are no historic or cultural resources listed on the National Register of Historic Places located within the bounds of the subject parcel.

- K. An affirmation that the proposed application and proposed mitigation measures are in conformance with the current Sussex County Comprehensive Plan.
  - The proposed application is a permitted use by means of conditional use approval, based upon the proposed medium-density residential zoning, by the Sussex County Zoning Code. Being in an area supported for future growth, the proposed townhomes will make-use of existing infrastructure to eliminate potential impacts to the environment that can be caused through the use of private wells and septic systems.
- L. Actions to be taken by the applicant to mitigate the detrimental impacts identified relevant to Subsection <u>B(2)(a)</u> through <u>(k)</u> above and the manner by which they are consistent with the Comprehensive Plan.
  - The design for the Lands of Hete4, LLC has been prepared to significantly limit or eliminate potential impacts to the environment within the ESDDOZ. The utilization of existing infrastructure utilities for potable water service and wastewater collection promotes the health of local environmental systems by not establishing private wells or septic systems, which can add nutrient loads to the watershed. The design for the project's stormwater management treatment system will be in-concert with the Green Technology BMP standards and specifications of the DNREC and the preservation of open space will be maximized by setting-aside 53.8% of the subject parcel for passive open space. The project will also be established on a parcel located within an area designated for growth and outside of sensitive areas, such as the City of Lewes' wellhead protection zone.

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TAX MAP #: 3-34 6.00 685.01 PREPARED BY & RETURN TO: Hudson Jones Jaywork & Fisher 309 Rehoboth Avenue Rehoboth Beach, DE 19971 File No. HETE-P-17/CCM PK: 4784 FG: 253

THIS DEED, made this 11th day of October, 2017,

- BETWEEN -

SANDRA LEE FOWLER. NOW KNOWN AS SANDRA ST. GERMAIN, of 3206 Old York Road, White Hall, MD 21161, party of the first part,

- AND -

MATTHEW C. HETE and MINDY H. HETE, of 45 Kings Creek Circle, Rehoboth Beach, DE 19971, as tenants by the entirety unto the survivor of them, his or her heirs and assigns, parties of the second part.

WITNESSETH: That the said party of the first part, for and in consideration of the sum of TEN DOLLARS (\$10.00), lawful money of the United States of America, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, hereby grants and conveys unto the parties of the second part, and their heirs and assigns, in fee simple, the following described lands, situate, lying and being in Sussex County, State of Delaware:

ALL that certain tract, piece and parcel of land, situate, lying and being in Lewes and Rehoboth Hundred, Sussex County and State of Delaware, and lying on the Southeasterly right-of-way line of Highway #283, and more particularly described in a survey by Coast Survey, Inc. dated January 3, 1994, as follows, to wit:

**BEGINNING** at an iron pipe set on the southeasterly right-of-way line of County Road #283 (50' R/W), a corner for this parcel and lands now of formerly of Sarah A. Hill; thence by and with the right-of-way of County Road #283, N 59° 50' 38" E 150 feet to an iron pipe set; thence S 30° 09' 22" E 217.80 feet to an iron pipe set; thence S 59° 50' 38" W 150.00 feet to an iron pipe set, a corner for this parcel and lands now or formerly of Sandra A. Hill; thence by and with the lands now or formerly of Sarah A. Hill, N 30° 09' 22" W 217.80 feet home to the place of beginning, containing 0.75 acres more or less.

**BEING** the same property conveyed to Mary Ann Foxwell from Heirs of Marian A. Waldron, namely, Blanche A. Warrington, Wayne Aydelotte, Constance Hettrich, William L. Hill II, and Sandra H. Curtin, by Deed dated January 19, 1994, and recorded in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds in and for Sussex County, Delaware on January 25, 1994, in Deed Book 1958, Page 299.



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**SUBSEQUENTLY** the said Mary Ann Foxwell departed this life, Testate, on or about December 20, 2008, and pursuant to Article V of the Last Will and Testament of Mary Ann Foxwell dated October 13, 2009, said property was devised unto Edwin C. Power, as to a Life Estate.

**SUBSEQUENTLY** the said Life Estate of Edwin C. Power was terminated pursuant to Renunciation of Life Estate dated February 20, 2017, and recorded March 3, 2017, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds in and for Sussex County, Delaware, in Book 4673, Page 87. Pursuant to Article V of the Last Will and Testament of Mary Ann Foxwell dated October 13, 2009, upon termination of the Life Estate of Edwin C. Power, said property shall descend unto her daughter, Sandra Lee Fowler. Sandra Lee Fowler is now known as Sandra St. Germain.

**SUBJECT** to any and all restrictions, reservations, conditions, easements and agreements of record in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds in and for Sussex County, Delaware.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the party of the first part has hereunto set her hand and seal the day and year first above written.

Signed, Sealed and Delivered in the presence of:

Sandra Lee Fowler, now known as Sandra St.

Germain

Sandra St. Germain f/k/a Sandra Lee Fowler

STATE OF DELAWARE, COUNTY OF SUSSEX: to-wit

BE IT REMEMBERED, that on October 11, 2017, personally came before me, the subscriber, Sandra Lee Fowler, now known as Sandra St. Germain, party of the first part to this Indenture, known to me personally to be such, and acknowledged this Indenture to be her act and deed.

GIVEN under my Hand and Seal of Office the day and year aforesaid.

Votary Public

My Commission Expires:

Consideration:

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THIS DEED, made this 14th day of May, 2018,

#### - BETWEEN -

<u>LIZZYCORP, LLC</u>, a Delaware Limited Liability Company, of 3019 Macomb Street, NW, Washington, DC 20008, party of the first part,

#### - AND -

MATTHEW C. HETE and MINDY H. HETE, of 45 Kings Creek Circle, Rehoboth Beach, DE 19971, as tenants by the entirety unto the survivor of them, his or her heirs and assigns, parties of the second part.

WITNESSETH: That the said party of the first part, for and in consideration of the sum of TEN DOLLARS (\$10.00), lawful money of the United States of America, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, hereby grants and conveys unto the parties of the second part, and their heirs and assigns, in fee simple, the following described lands, situate, lying and being in Sussex County, State of Delaware:

ALL that certain lot, piece or parcel of land situate, lying and being in Lewes and Rehoboth Hundred, Sussex County, State of Delaware, and lying on the Southeasterly right of way line of County Road No. 283 (Postal Lane) and being more particularly described as follows to wit:

BEGINNING at a 3/4" pipe found along the Southeasterly right-of-way line of County Road No. 283 (Postal Lane), said point of beginning being a corner for these lands and lands now or formerly of Mary Ann Foxwell; thence from said point of beginning and with the line of lands of Foxwell, South 30 degrees 02 minutes 26 seconds East 217.66 feet to a 3/4" pipe found, a corner for these lands, lands of Foxwell and in line of lands now or formerly of Blanche Warrington; thence turning and running with the line of lands of Warrington, South 59 degrees 58 minutes 05 seconds West 99.76 feet to a 3/4" pipe found; thence turning and running with the line of lands now or formerly of Robert L. Ritter, North 30 degrees 09 minutes 22 seconds West 217.67 feet to a concrete monument found along the Southeasterly right-of-way line of County Road No. 283 (Postal Lane); thence turning and running with said right-of-way, North 59 degrees 58 minutes 19 seconds East 100.20 feet to the point and place of beginning, said to contain 21,762 square feet of land, be the same more or less, as surveyed by Simpler Surveying & Associate, March 31, 2004, which survey is of record in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for Sussex County in Deed Book 2962, Page 341.

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**BEING** the same property conveyed to Lizzycorp, LLC from Land Holding, LLC, by Deed dated June 20, 2012, and recorded in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds in and for Sussex County, Delaware on June 22, 2012, in Deed Book 4012, Page 253.

**SUBJECT** to any and all restrictions, reservations, conditions, easements and agreements of record in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds in and for Sussex County, Delaware.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the said Lizzycorp, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company, has caused its name to be hereunto set under seal by Steven Himmelfarb, Sole Member of Lizzycorp, LLC, the day and year first above written.

LIZZYCORP, LI

By:

(SEAL)

Steven Himmelfarb, Sole Member

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STATE OF DELAWARE, COUNTY OF SUSSEX: to-wit

BE IT REMEMBERED, that on this 14th day of May, A.D. 2018, personally appeared before me, the Subscriber, a Notary Public in and for the State and County aforesaid, Steven Himmelfarb, Sole Member of Lizzycorp, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company, party to this Indenture, known to me personally to be such, and acknowledged this Indenture to be his act and deed and the act and deed of said limited liability company; that the signature of the Sole Member is in his own proper handwriting and by his authority to act; and that the act of signing, sealing, acknowledging and delivering the said Indenture was first duly authorized by a resolution of the limited liability company.

GIVEN under my Hand and Seal of Office the day and year aforesaid.

ATTORNEY
CHAD C. MEREDITH
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Notary Public

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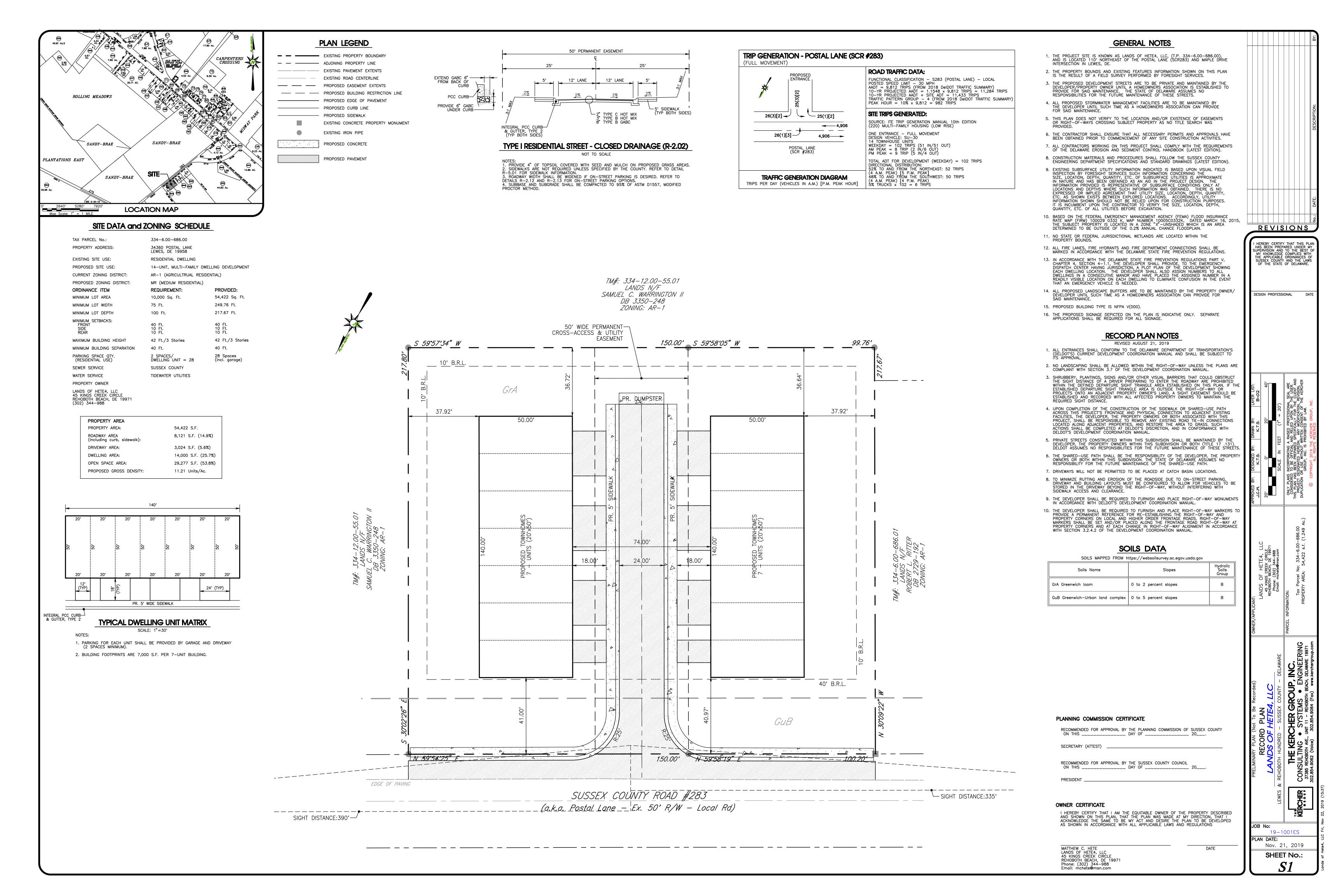
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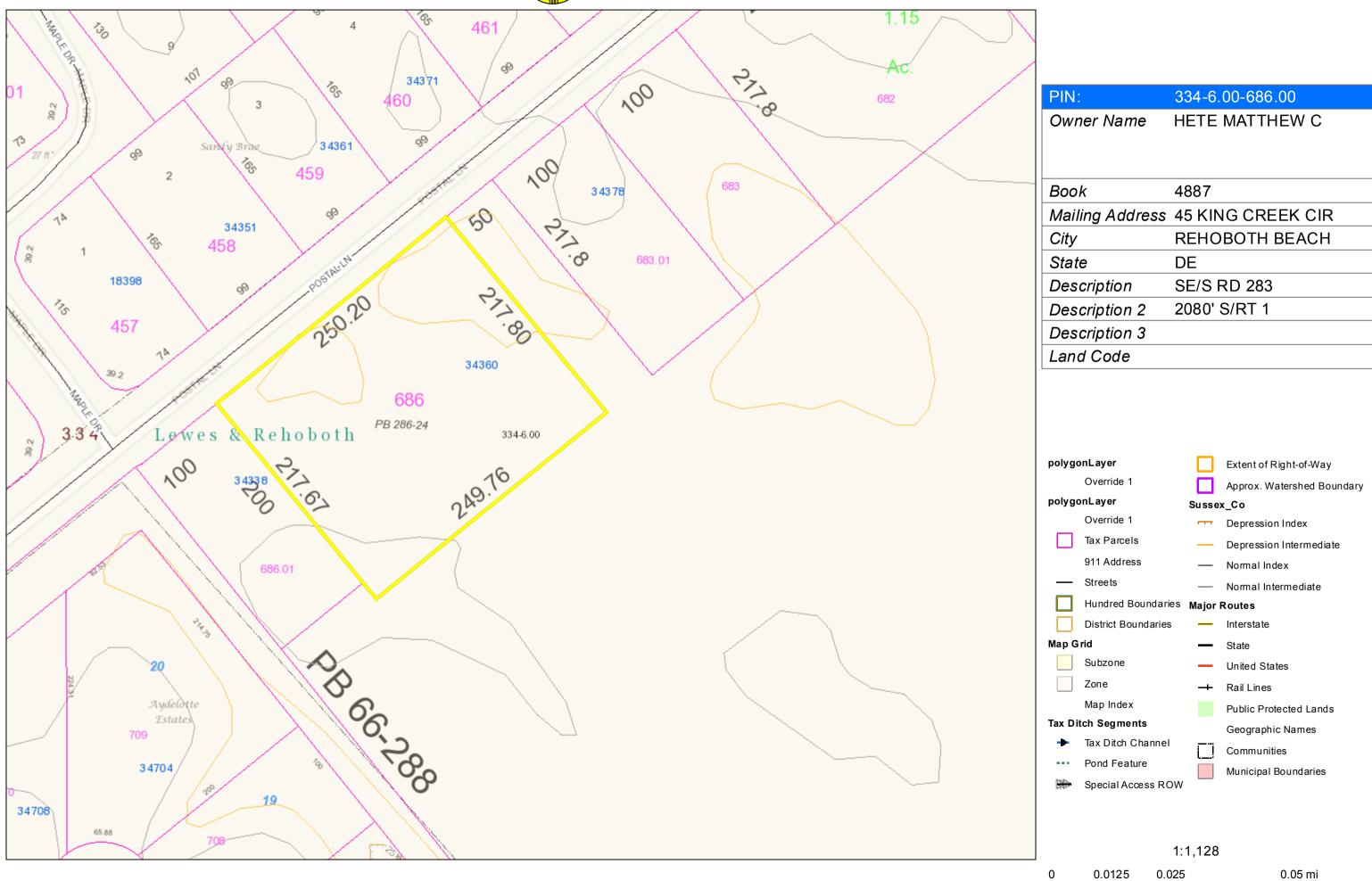
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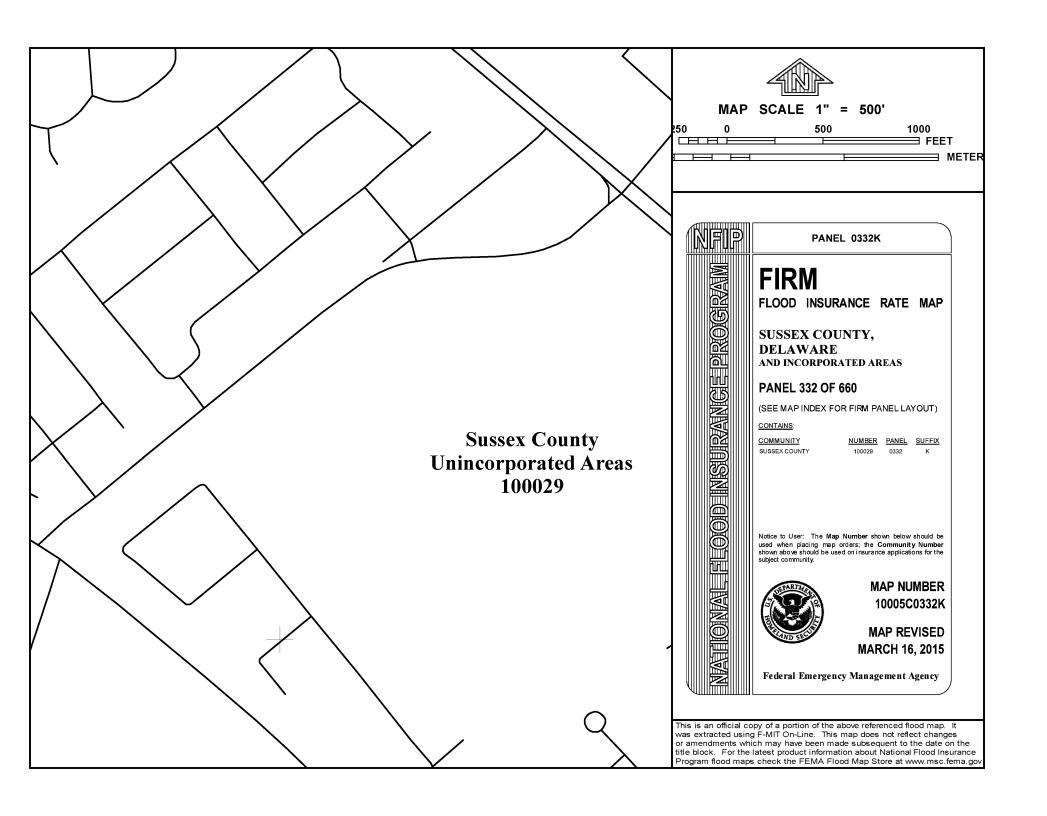


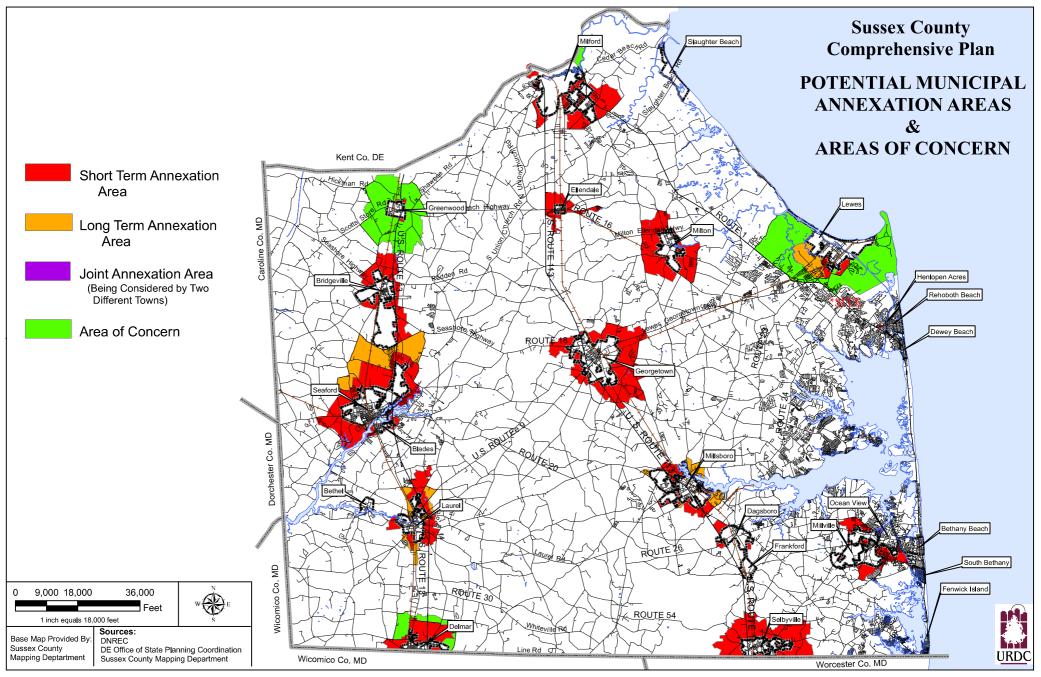
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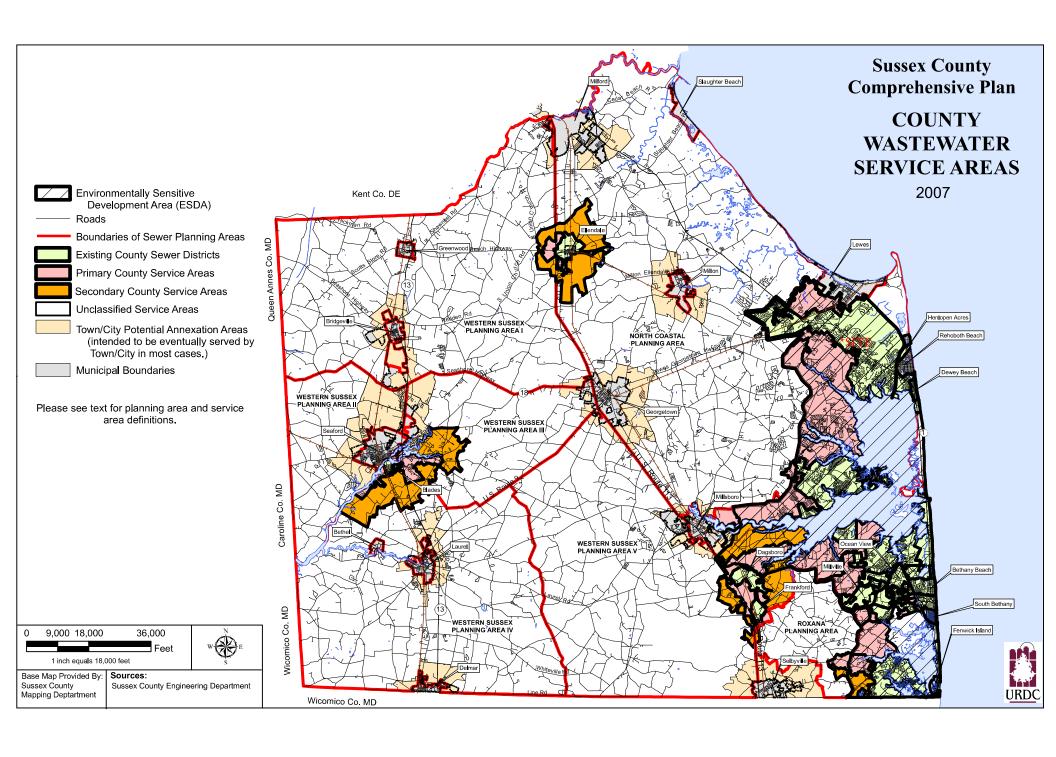
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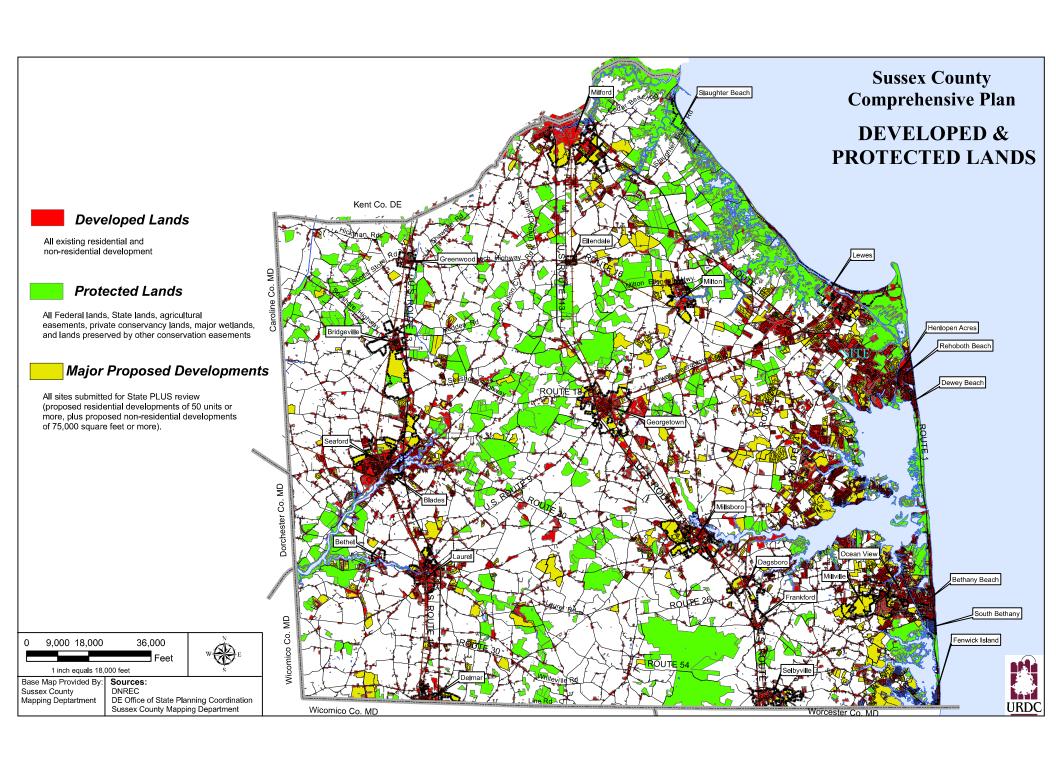
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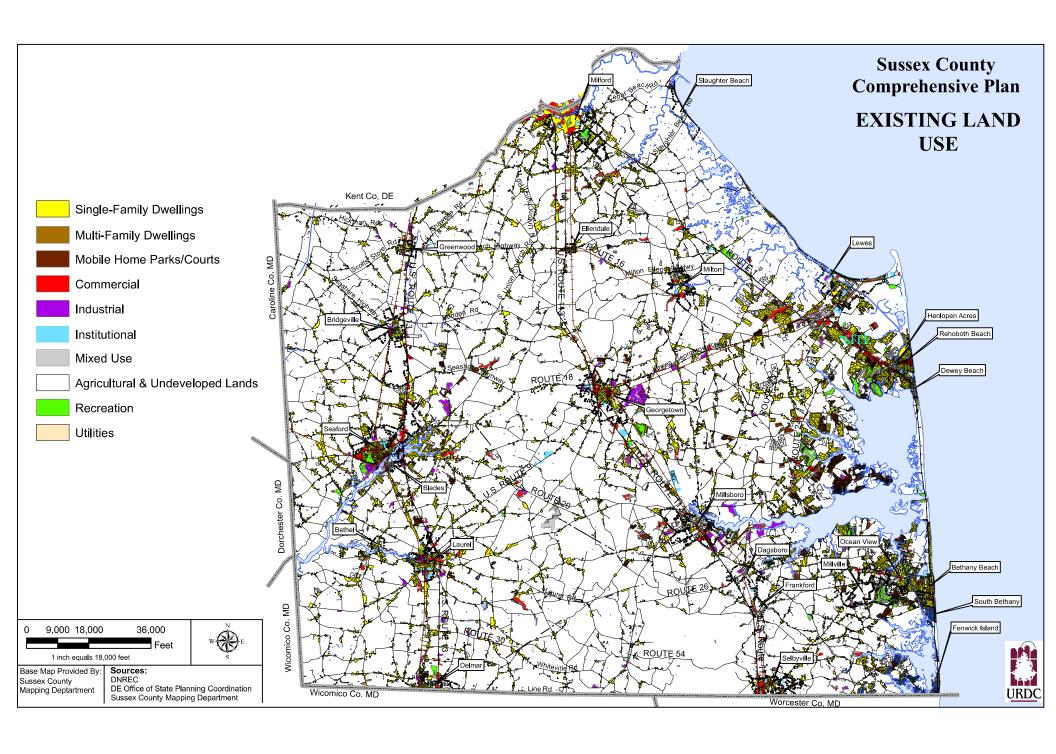
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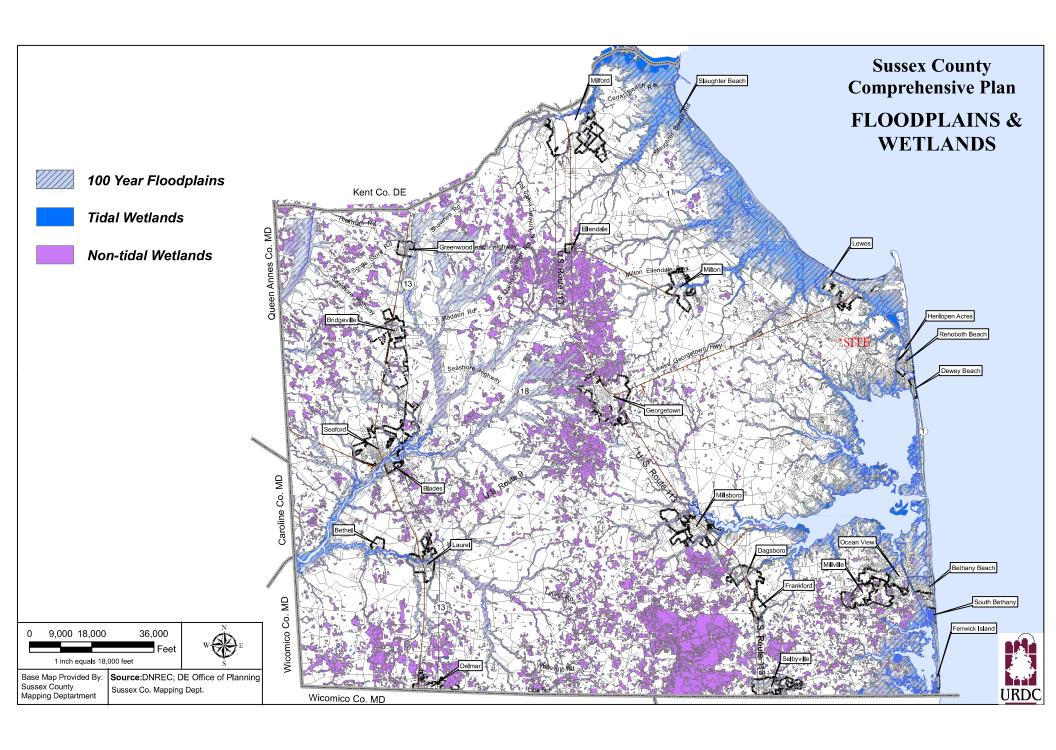


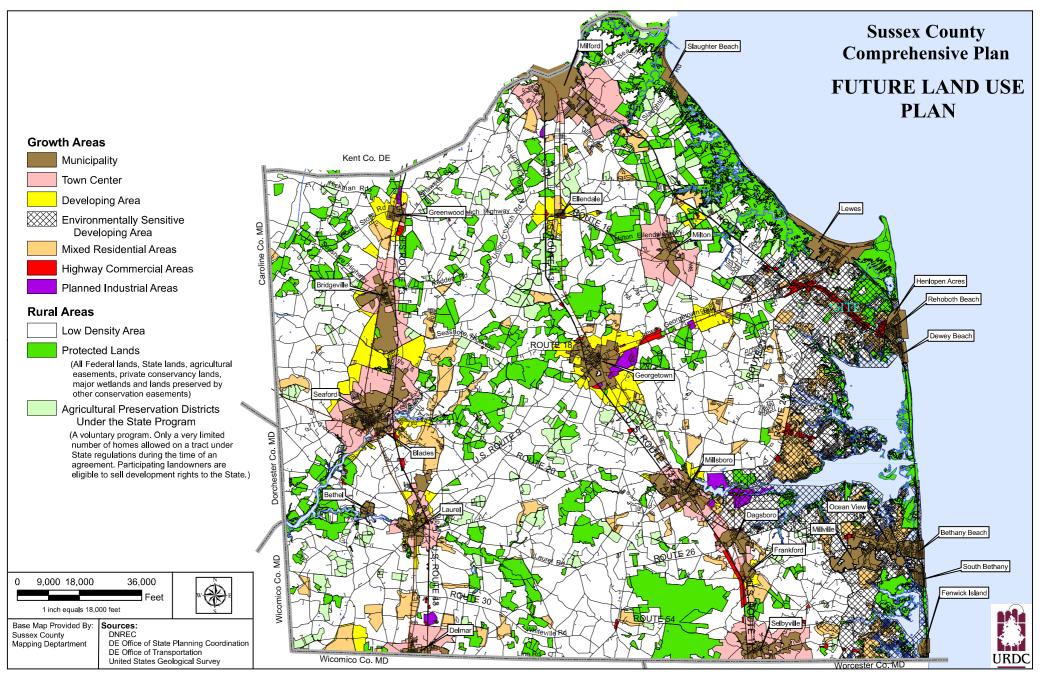


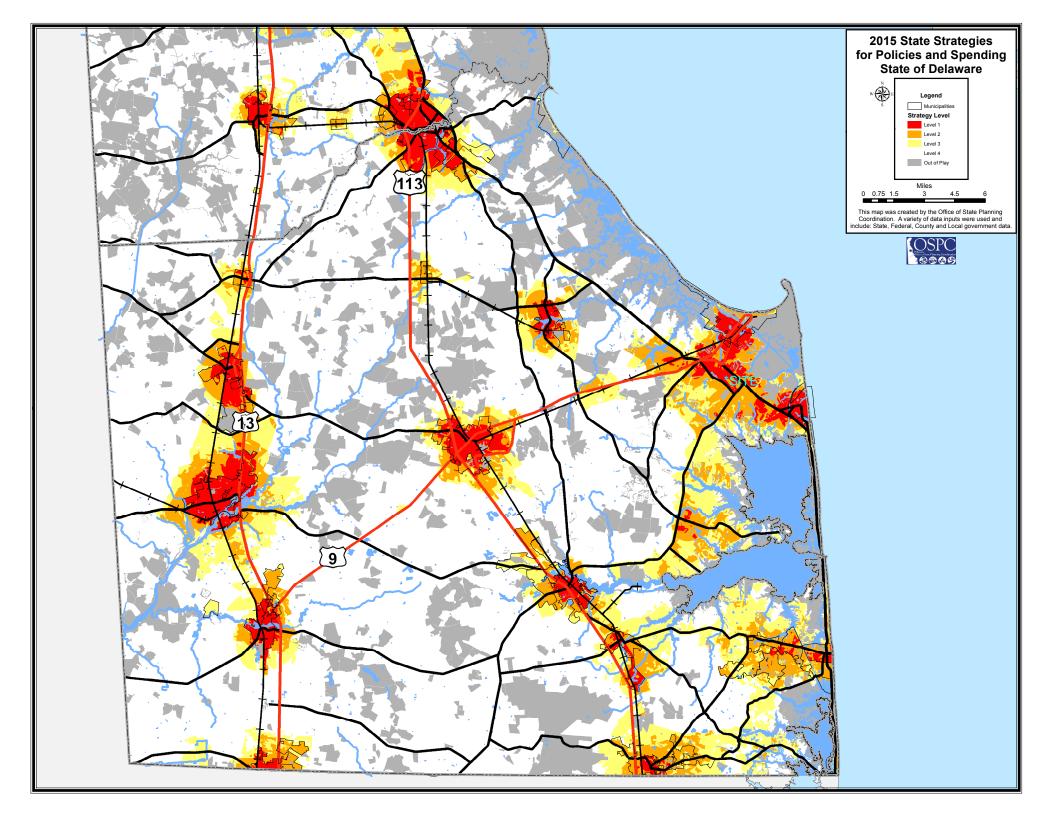




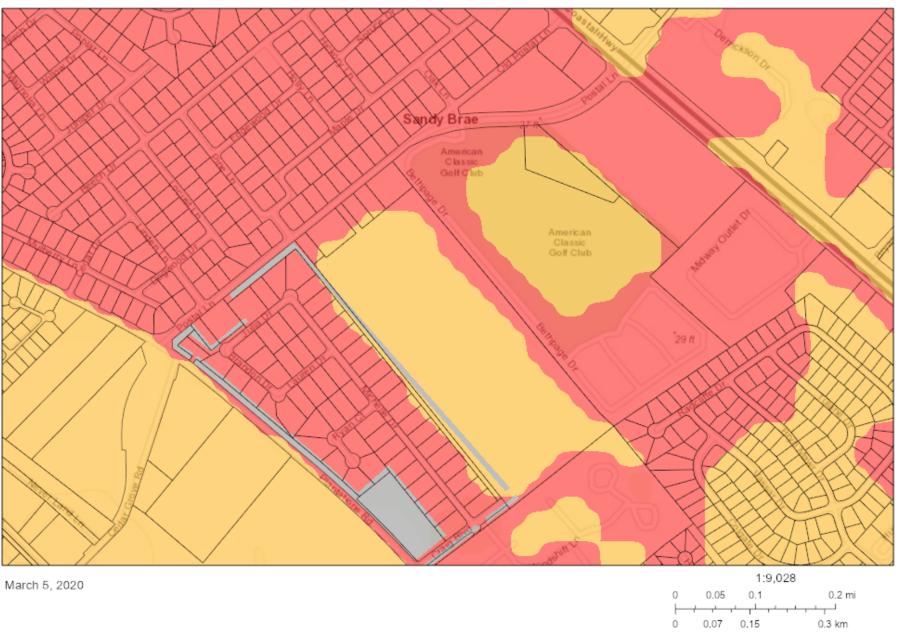




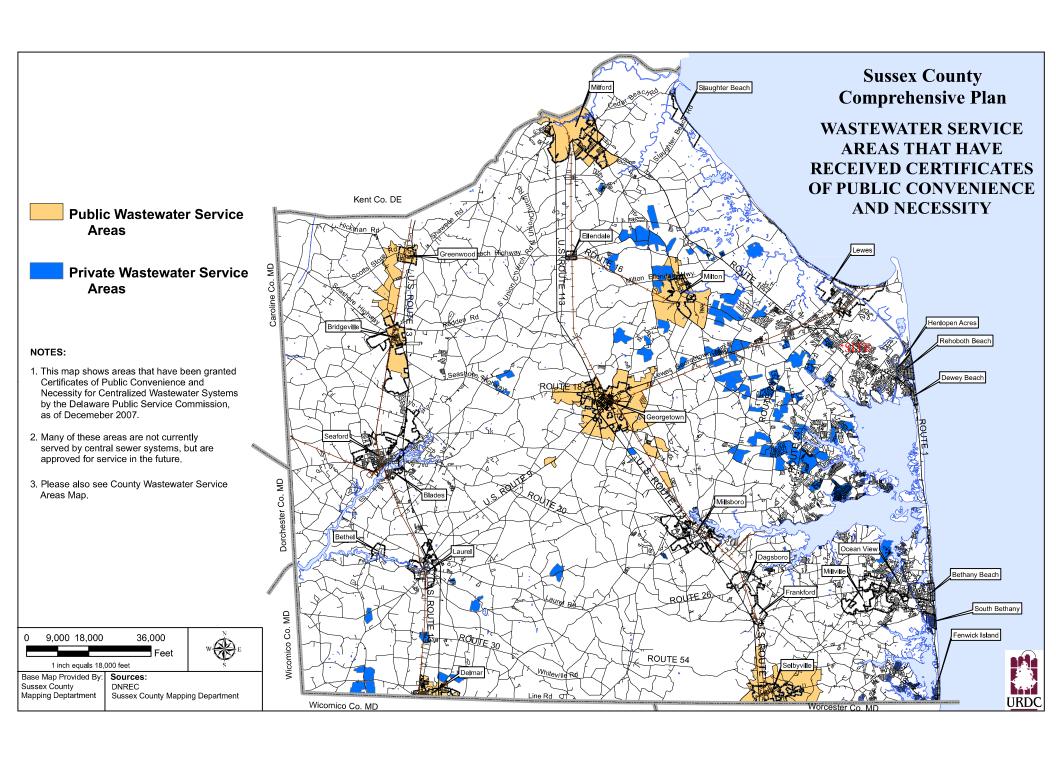


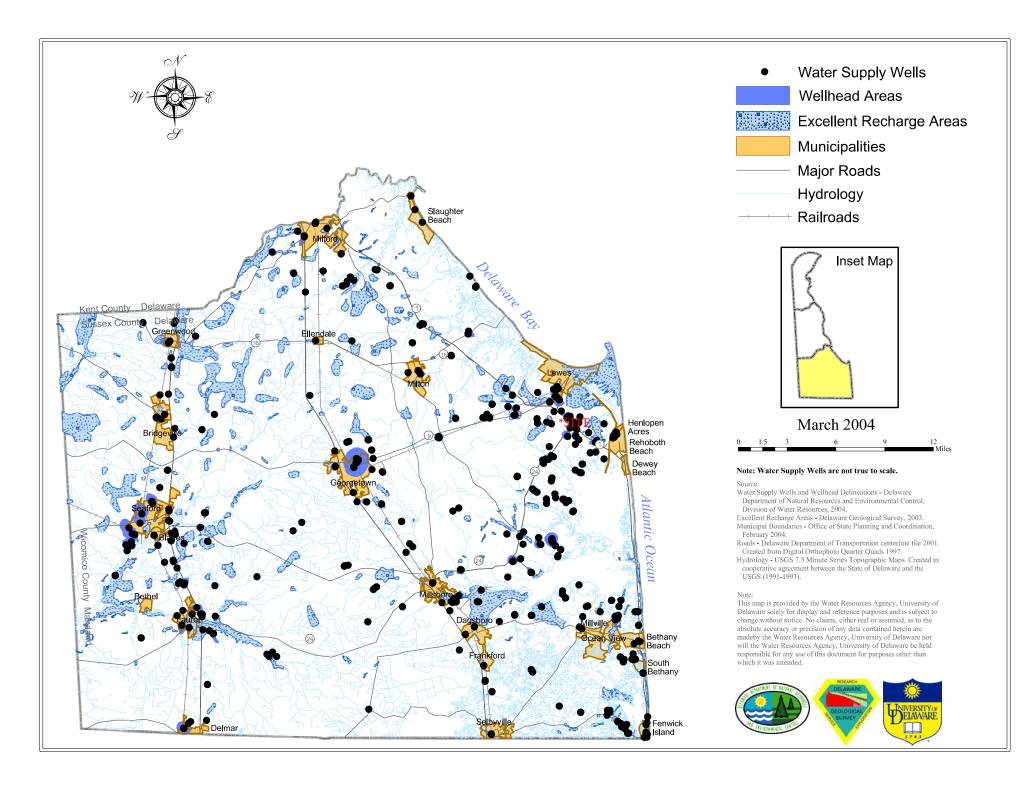


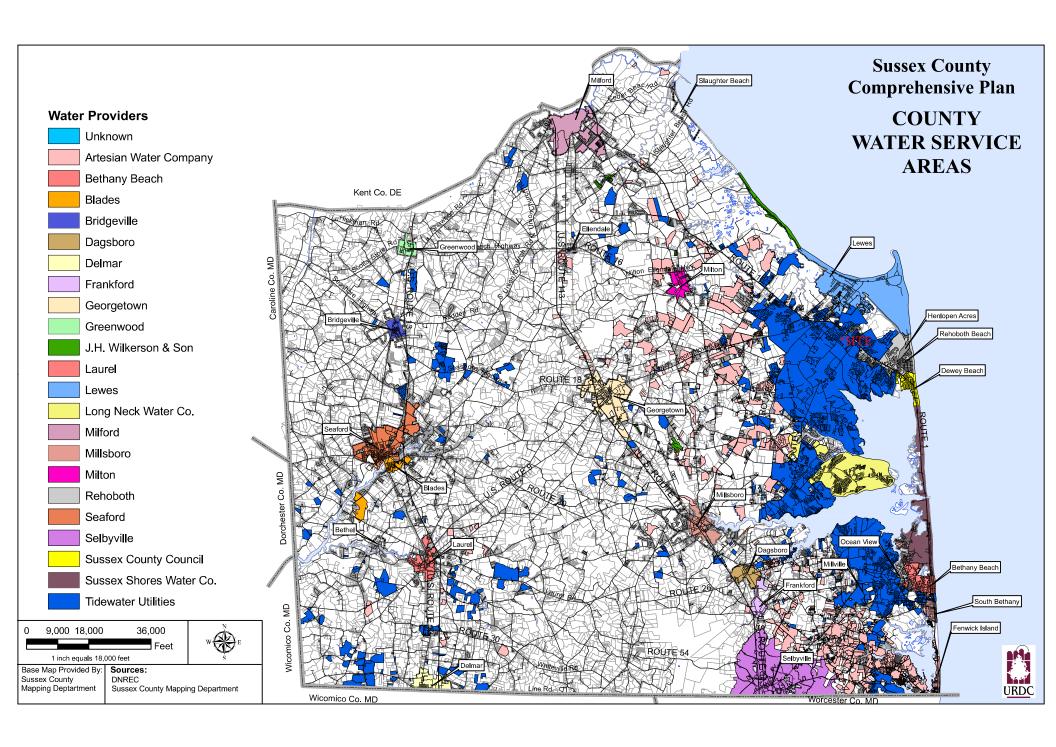
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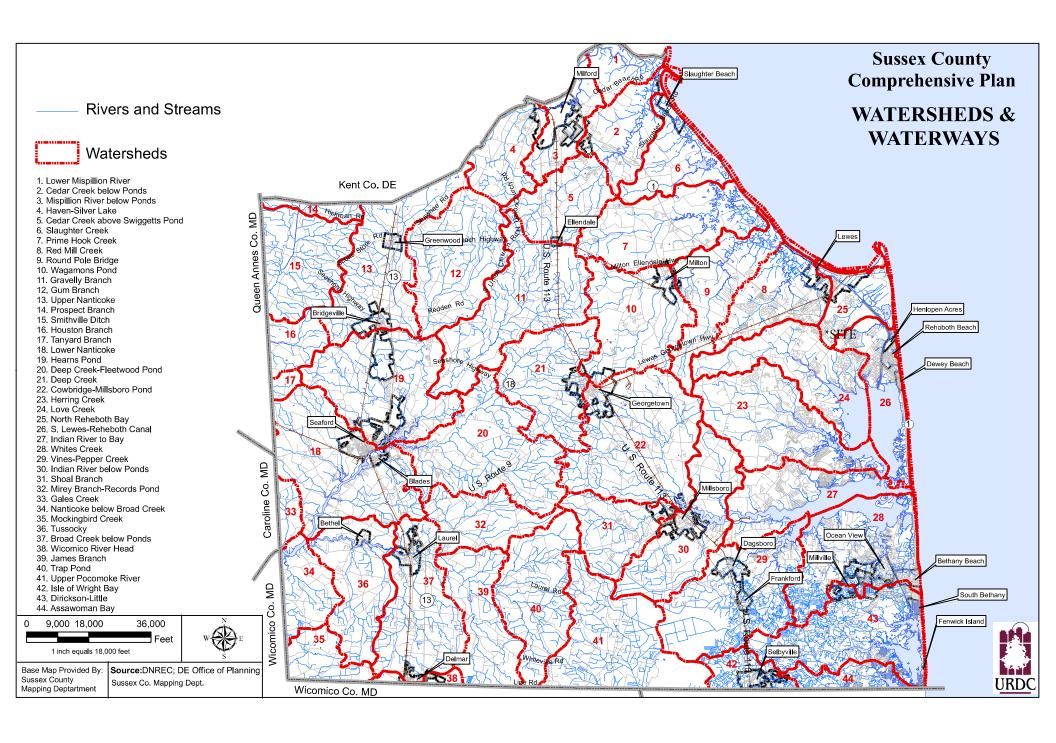


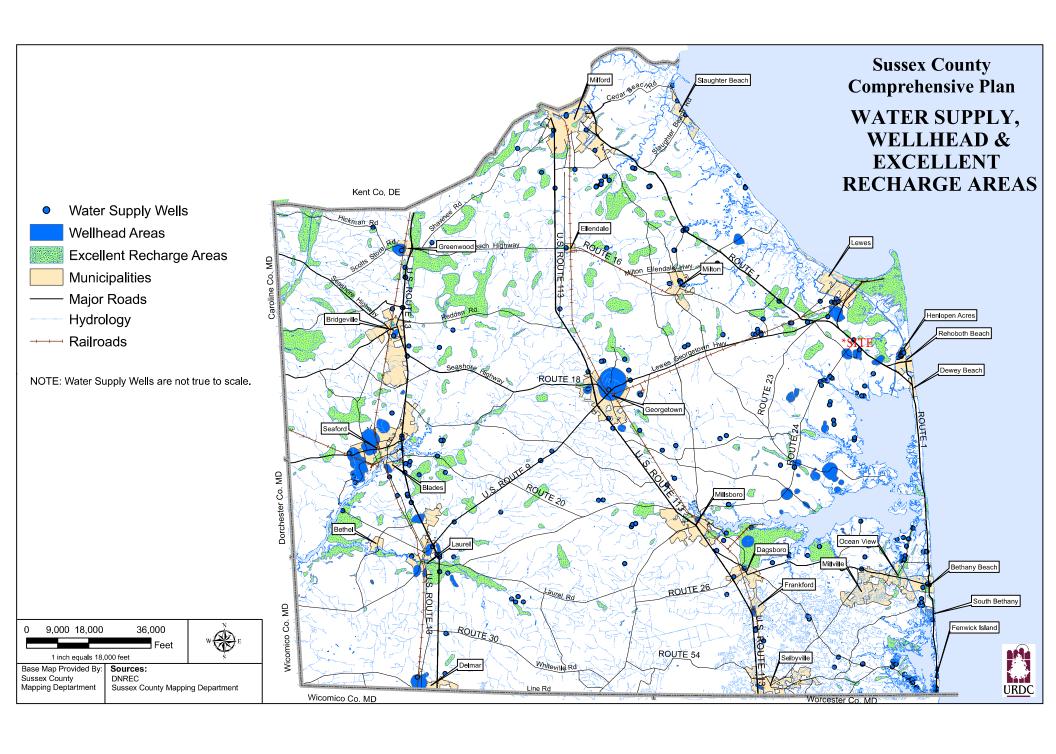
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#### **PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION**

ROBERT C. WHEATLEY, CHAIRMAN KIM HOEY STEVENSON, VICE-CHAIRMAN R. KELLER HOPKINS J. BRUCE MEARS HOLLY J. WINGATE





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### PLANNING AND ZONING AND COUNTY COUNCIL INFORMATION SHEET Planning Commission Public Hearing Date January 23, 2020.

Application: (CZ 1904) Dry Acres, LLC

Applicant: Jill A. Cicierski

16808 Gravel Hill Road

Milton, DE 19968

Owner: Dry Acres, LLC

16973 Island Farm Lane

Milton, DE 19968

Site Location: Located on the southwest corner of the intersection of U.S. Route 9 and

Fisher Road (S.C.R. 262).

Current Zoning: Agricultural Residential (AR-1)

Proposed Zoning: Medium Commercial District (C-2)

Comprehensive Land

Use Plan Reference: Low Density Area

Councilmatic

District: Mr. Burton

School District: Cape Henlopen School District

Fire District: Milton Fire District

Sewer: Private, On-Site

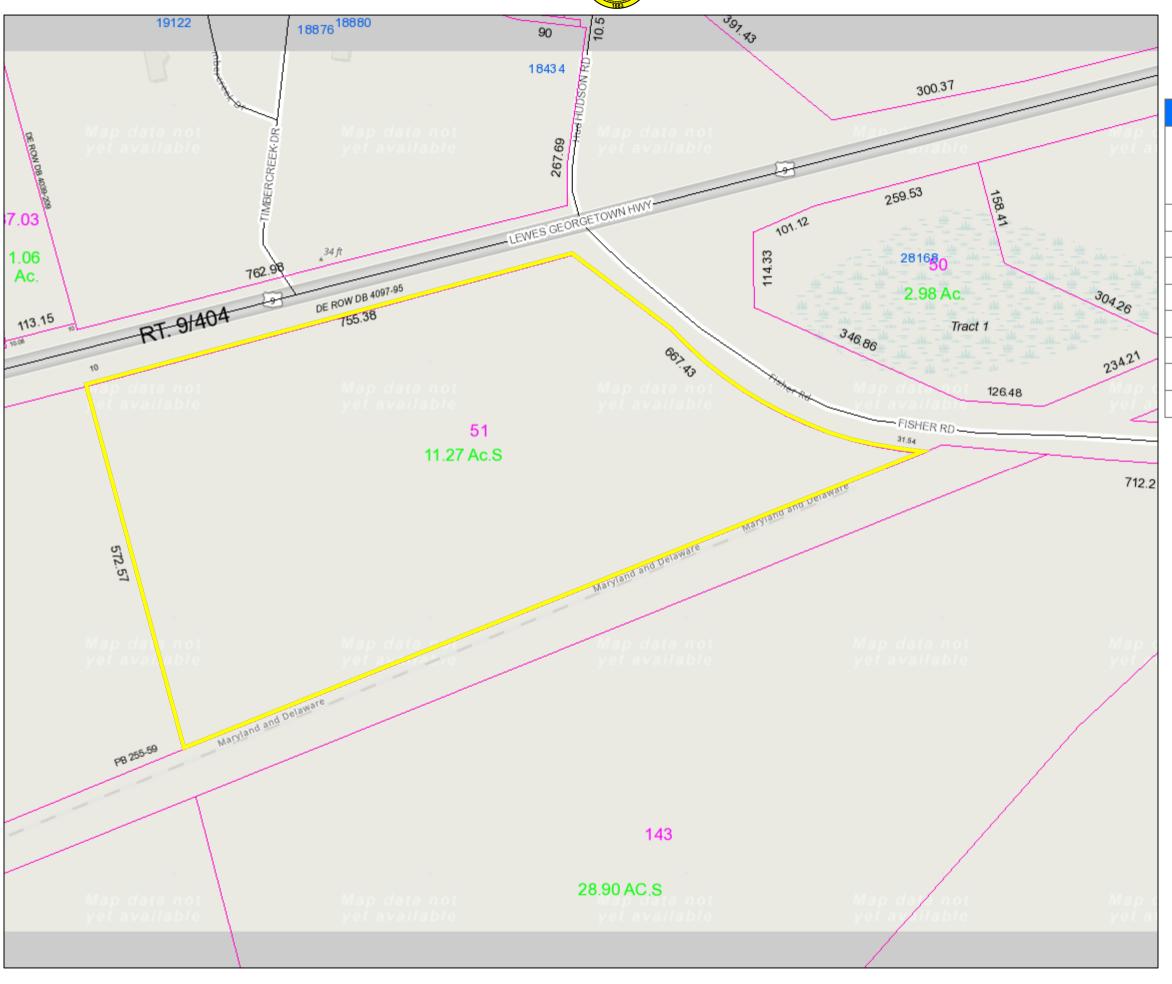
Water: Private, On-Site

Site Area: 10.88 acres +/-

Tax Map ID.: 235-30.00-51.00



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PIN:	235-30.00-51.00
Owner Name	DRY ACRES LLC
Book	3802
Mailing Address	16793 ISLAND FARM LN
City	MILTON
State	DE
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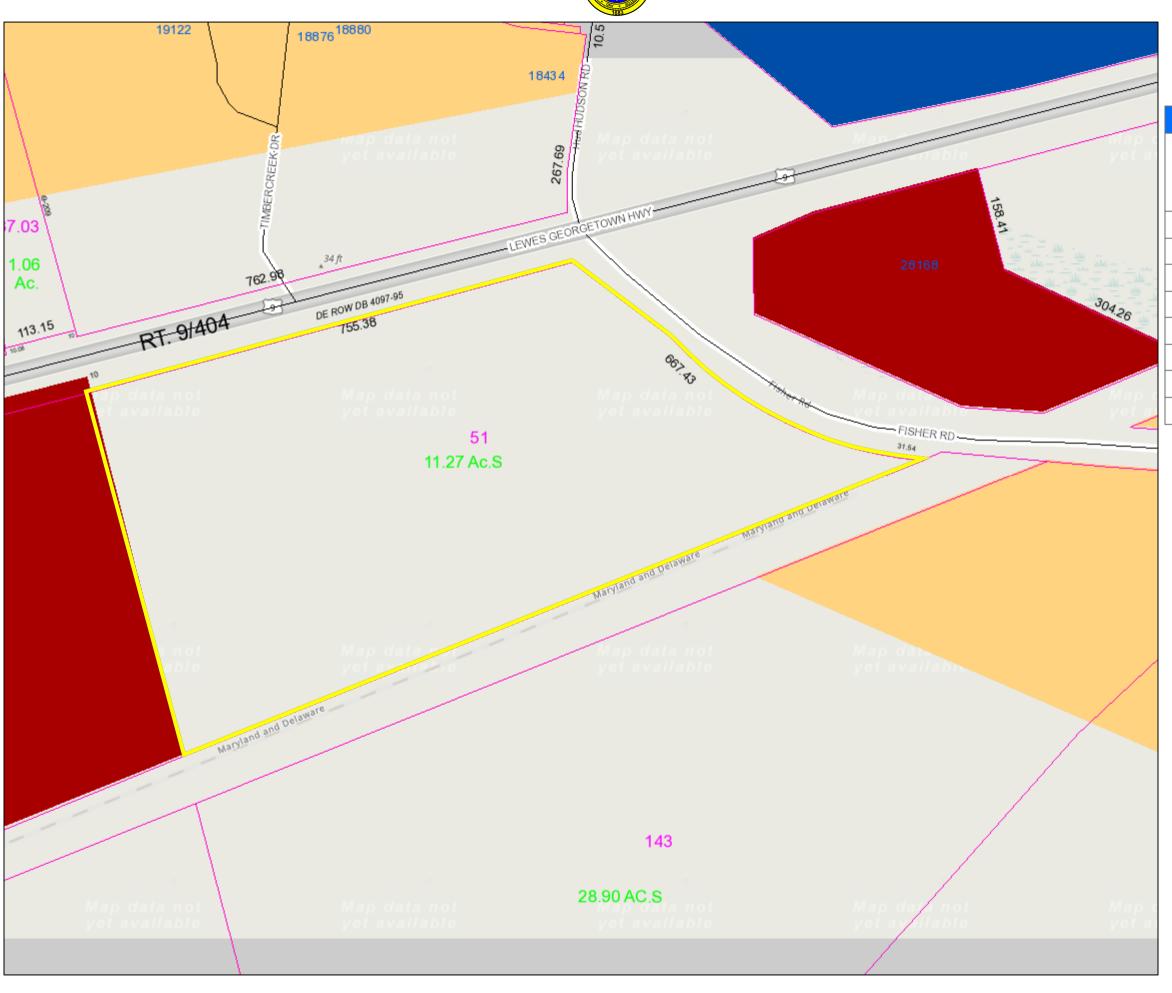
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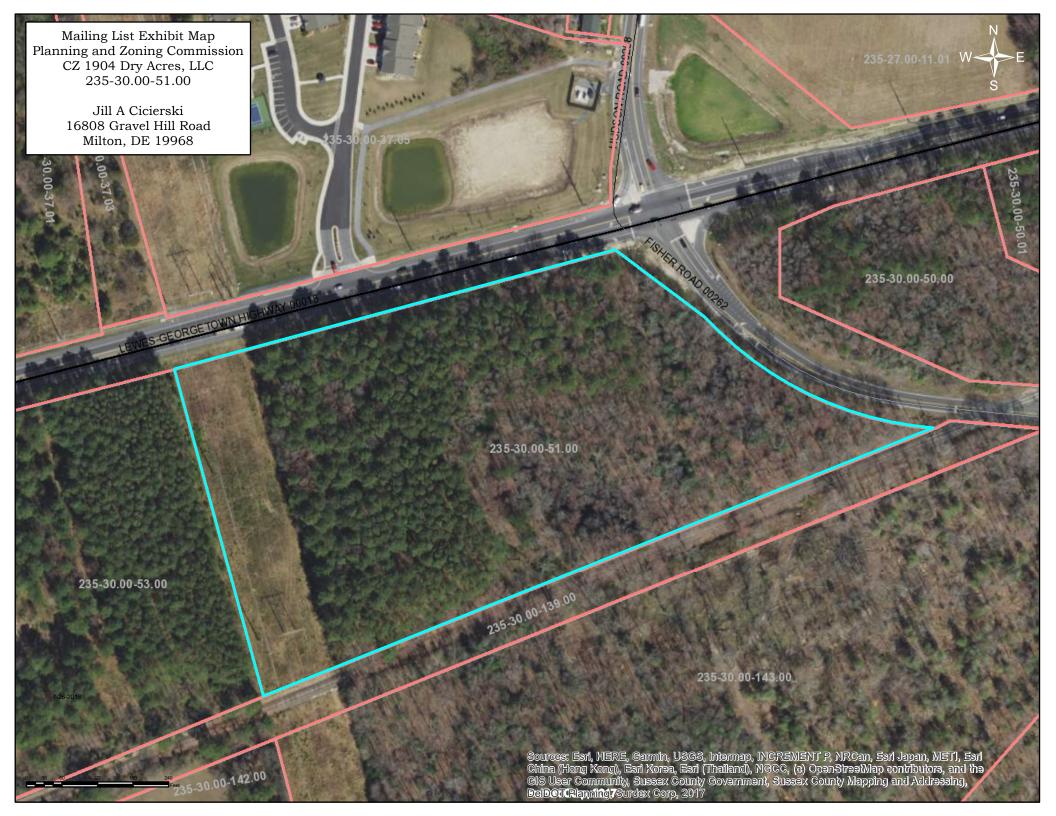
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### Memorandum

To: Sussex County Planning Commission Members From: Christin Headley, Planning Technician

CC: Vince Robertson, Assistant County Attorney and applicant

Date: January 16, 2020

RE: Staff Analysis for CZ 1904 Dry Acres, LLC (Jill Cicierski)

This memo is to provide background and analysis for the Planning Commission to consider as a part of application CZ 1904 Dry Acres, LLC (Jill Cicierski) to be reviewed during the January 23, 2020 Planning Commission Meeting. This analysis should be included in the record of this application and is subject to comments and information that may be presented during the public hearing.

The request is for a Change of Zone for parcel 235-30.00-51.00 to facilitate a change from the Agricultural Residential Zoning District (AR-1) to a Medium Commercial Zoning District (C-2) and is located on the southwest corner of the intersection of Lewes-Georgetown Hwy. (Rt. 9) and Fisher Rd. The size of the property is 10.88 acres +/-.

The 2018 Sussex County Comprehensive Plan Update (Comprehensive Plan) provides a framework of how land is to be developed. As part of the Comprehensive Plan a Future Land Use Map is included to help determine how land should be zoned to ensure responsible development. The Future Land Use map in the plan indicates that the property has the land use designation of "Low Density." This designation applies to the entire parcel.

The parcels to the north and south are designated on the Future Land Use Map as "Low Density Areas". The surrounding land use to the east and west is designated "Existing Development Area". Low Density Areas primarily recognize businesses that support agricultural activities and the development of single-family homes. The focus of retail and office uses in Low Density Areas should be for providing convenience goods and services to nearby residents. It also recognizes that commercial uses should be limited in location, size, and hours of operation and that intense uses should be avoided. The Existing Development Area recognizes that a range of housing types and uses in the neighborhood business and commercial districts are permitted.

Table 4.5-2 "Zoning Districts Applicable to Future Land Use Categories" of the 2018 Sussex County Comprehensive Plan states that the Medium Commercial (C-2) Zoning District may be considered as appropriate in "Low Density" Areas.

The property is zoned AR-1 (Agricultural Residential District). The surrounding parcels are zoned both AR-1 (Agricultural Residential District) and CR-1 (Commercial Residential District).



Staff Analysis CZ 1904 Dry Acres, LLC (Jill Cicierski) Planning and Zoning Commission for January 23, 2020

Since 2011, there has been three (3) Change of Zone applications in the vicinity of the application site; including, Change of Zone No. 1773 which was approved for AR-1 to CR-1 by Sussex County Council on May 21, 2015, Change of Zone No. 1812 which was approved for AR-1 to CR-1 by Sussex County Council on February 23, 2017, and Change of Zone No. 1866 which was approved for AR-1 to I-1 by Sussex County Council on January 24, 2019.

Based on the analysis of the land use, surrounding zoning and uses, a change of zone to allow for a property zoned Medium Commercial (C-2), could be considered as being consistent with the land use, area zoning and surrounding uses.

File #: <u>C2 1904</u> 201911187

## Planning & Zoning Commission Application Sussex County, Delaware

Sussex County Planning & Zoning Department 2 The Circle (P.O. Box 417) Georgetown, DE 19947 302-855-7878 ph. 302-854-5079 fax

Type of Application: (please check application)	able)		
Conditional Use			
Zoning Map Amendment 🗸			
Site Address of Conditional Use/Zoning N	lap Amendmen	t	
Southwest corner of the intersection of US Ro	ute 9 and Fisher l	Road (Sussex Road 262)	
Type of Conditional Use Requested:			
Tax Map #: 235-30.00-51.00		Size of Parcel(s): 10.88-11.27 acres	
Tax Map III			
Current Zoning: AR-1 Proposed Zo	ning: C-2	Size of Building: Total 75,000S	
Land Use Classification: Low Density/Adjace	ent to Existing Dev	veloping Area/ Level 3 (Ad; to Level 2)	
Water Provider: Artesian Sewer Provider: Artesian			
Applicant Information			
Applicant Name: Jill A. Cicierski			
Applicant Address: 16808 Gravel Hill Road			
City: Milton	State: DE	ZipCode: 19968	
Phone #: 302-841-2282	E-mail: allamer	ricanbuildingconcepts@gmail.com	
Owner Information			
Owner Name: Dry Acres LLC			
Owner Address: 16973 Island Farm Lane			
City: Milton	State: DE	Zip Code: 19968	
Phone #: 302-438-5366	E-mail: thom5	00@yahoo.com	
Agent/Attorney/Engineer Information			
Agent/Attorney/Engineer Name: Mark H.	Davidson		
	ni - 18972 Davidso	on Drive	
City: Milton	State: DE	Zip Code: 19968	
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## **Check List for Sussex County Planning & Zoning Applications**

The following shall be submitted with the application

4	Completed Application			
	<ul> <li>Provide eight (8) copies of the Site Plan or Survey of the property</li> <li>Survey shall show the location of existing or proposed building(s), building setbacks, parking area, proposed entrance location, etc.</li> <li>Provide a PDF of Plans (may be e-mailed to a staff member)</li> <li>Deed or Legal description</li> </ul>			
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ā	Optional - Additional information for the Commission/Council to consider (ex. architectural elevations, photos, exhibit books, etc.) If provided submit 8 copies and they shall be submitted a minimum of ten (10) days prior to the Planning Commission meeting.			
S	Please be aware that Public Notice will be sent to property owners within 200 feet of the subject site and County staff will come out to the subject site, take photos and place a sign on the site stating the date and time of the Public Hearings for the application.			
<u>√</u> r	<b>V</b> DelDOT Service Level Evaluation Request Response			
The undersig plans submit	ned hereby certifies that the forms, exhibits, and statements contained in any papers or ted as a part of this application are true and correct.			
Zoning Comr and that I will needs, the he	that I or an agent on by behalf shall attend all public hearing before the Planning and nission and the Sussex County Council and any other hearing necessary for this application II answer any questions to the best of my ability to respond to the present and future ealth, safety, morals, convenience, order, prosperity, and general welfare of the inhabitants unty, Delaware.			
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#### STATE OF DELAWARE

#### DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

800 BAY ROAD P.O. BOX 778 DOVER, DELAWARE 19903

JENNIFER COHAN SECRETARY

April 5, 2019

Ms. Janelle Cornwell, Director Sussex County Planning & Zoning P.O. Box 417 Georgetown, DE 19947

Dear Ms. Cornwell:

The Department has completed its review of a Service Level Evaluation Request for the Jill Cicierski rezoning application, which we received on March 11, 2019. This application is for an 11.27-acre parcel (Tax Parcel: 235-30.00-51.00). The subject land is located on the southwest corner of the intersection of US Route 9 and Fisher Road (Sussex Road 262). The subject land is currently zoned AR-1 (Agricultural Residential), and the applicant is seeking to rezone the land to C-3 (Heavy Commercial) to develop approximately 90,000 square feet of commercial space to include a business office, a retail plaza, a bank, and a restaurant.

Per the 2017 Delaware Vehicle Volume Summary, the annual average and summer average daily traffic volumes along the segment of US Route 9 where the subject land is located, which is from Delaware Route 5 and Delaware Route 1, are 14,696 and 18,914 vehicles per day, respectively. As the subject land also has frontage along Fisher Road, the annual average and summer average daily traffic volumes along that road segment, which is from Cool Spring Road (Sussex Road 290) to US Route 9, are 2,067 and 2,660 vehicles per day, respectively.

Our volume-based criteria for requiring a traffic impact study (TIS), addressed in Section 2.2.2.1 of the <u>Development Coordination Manual</u>, are that a development generates more than 500 trips per day or 50 trips during a weekly peak hour. While it seems that the above criteria could be met, we presently cannot predict the site's trip generation with enough accuracy to make a TIS useful. Thus, we recommend that this rezoning application be considered without a TIS and that the need for a TIS be evaluated when a subdivision or land development plan is proposed.



Ms. Janelle M. Cornwell Page 2 of 2 April 5, 2019

Please contact Mr. Claudy Joinville, at (302) 760-2124, if you have questions concerning this correspondence.

Sincerely,

T. William Brockenbrough, Jr.

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County Coordinator

**Development Coordination** 

#### TWB:cjm

cc: Constance C. Holland, Coordinator, Cabinet Committee on State Planning Issues
Jill Cicierski, Applicant

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Troy Brestel, Project Engineer, Development Coordination

Claudy Joinville, Project Engineer, Development Coordination

Agency Nar	ne: <u>Dept. of Transpor</u>	tation Project Name: Plaza Nine	_
Division:	Planning	Contact Person: Bill Brockenbrough	

#### Regulations/Code Requirements

• The proposed project is located or is adjacent to US Route 9/Lewes Georgetown Highway. This transportation corridor is part of the Federal Aid Primary Road System and is nominated as part of the Delaware Bayshore Byway Program. Accordingly, parts of the subject development are subject to outdoor advertising regulations found in CFR 23 §131 and 17 Del. C. §1101-1120. Accordingly, the applicant should expect the following requirements or needs:

- No new billboards, variable message boards, or electronic changing message sign(s) anywhere within 660 feet of the closest right-of-way edge of Route 9.
- No off-premises advertising on the property for others within 660 feet of Route 9 e.g., displaying on-site the bank/financial institution funding the project or the contractor building the project.
- O A standard Delaware Bayshore byway sign may be needed in public right ways as part of the entrance/development coordination review. Further needs would be determined during entrance plan submission and/or other applicable TIS studies.

For more information on the Byways program, please see <a href="http://deldot.maps.arcgis.com/apps/webappviewer/index.html?id=03d5049bc49041658cf">http://deldot.maps.arcgis.com/apps/webappviewer/index.html?id=03d5049bc49041658cf</a> ecad5fd6ba8b9.

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 As necessary, in accordance with Section 3.2.5 and Figure 3.2.5-a of the Manual, DelDOT will require dedication of right-of-way along the site's frontage on both US Route 9 and Fisher Road. By this regulation, the dedication is to provide a minimum of 50 feet from the physical centerline of US Route 9 and 30 feet of right-of-way from the physical centerline of Fisher Road. The following right-of-way dedication note is required, "An X-foot wide right-of-way is hereby dedicated to the State of Delaware, as per this plat."

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#### Suggestions

- DelDOT is in the process of converting the Georgetown to Lewes rail line to a bicycle and pedestrian trail. Construction is complete from Lewes to Log Cabin Hill Road. A future phase of construction would route the trail along the south edge of the subject development. If the developer would like to have direct access to the trail, DelDOT is willing to include it in their construction plans and build the access at State expense as part of the trail construction. If trail access would be of interest, DelDOT asks that the developer work with DelDOT's Bicycle and Pedestrian Coordinator, Mr. Anthony Aglio, to determine a mutually agreeable location. Mr. Aglio can be reached at (302) 760-2509 or Anthony.Aglio@Delaware.gov.
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## STATE OF DELAWARE EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT OFFICE OF STATE PLANNING COORDINATION

July 23, 2019

Jill A. Cicierski JC Reality, Inc. 16808 Gravel Hill Road Milton, DE 19968

RE: PLUS review 2019-06-01; Plaza Nine

Dear Ms. Cicierski:

Thank you for meeting with State agency planers on June 26, 2019 to discuss the proposed plans for the Plaza Nine project. According to the information received you are seeking review of a site plan for a 90,000 square foot commercial center near the intersection of Route 9 and Fisher Road in Sussex County.

Please note that changes to the plan, other than those suggested in this letter, could result in additional comments from the State. Additionally, these comments reflect only issues that are the responsibility of the agencies represented at the meeting. The developers will also need to comply with any Federal, State, and local regulations regarding this property. We also note that as Sussex County is the governing authority over this land, the developers will need to comply with any and all regulations/restrictions set forth by the County.

#### Strategies for State Policies and Spending

This project is located in Investment Level 3 according to the Strategies for State Policies and Spending. Investment Level 3 reflects areas where growth is anticipated by local, county, and state plans in the longer term future, or areas that may have environmental or other constraints to development. State investments may support future growth in these areas, but may have priorities for the near future. Level 3 area means there may be environmental concerns on or near the parcel and we would encourage you to design the site with respect for the environmental features which are present.

#### Code Requirements/Agency Permitting Requirements

#### Department of Transportation - Contact Bill Brockenbrough 760-2109

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#### State Historic Preservation Office - Contact Carlton Hall 736-7404

- There are no known archaeological sites, or known National Register-listed or eligible
  properties on the parcel. However, the area has medium to high potential for prehistoric
  archaeological resources based on well drained soils adjacent to the wetlands on and near
  the project area. Therefore, the Delaware SHPO is recommending an archaeological
  survey of the project area.
- If any project or development proceeds, the developer should be aware of the Unmarked Human Burials and Human Skeletal Remains Law (Del. C. Title 7, Ch. 54).
- If there is federal involvement, in the form of licenses, permits, or funds, the federal agency, often through its client, is responsible for complying with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (36 CFR 800) and must consider their project's effects on any known or potential cultural or historic resources. For further information on the

Section 106 process please review the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation's website at: www.achp.gov

#### Delaware State Fire Marshall's Office - Contact Duane Fox 259-7037

At the time of formal submittal, the applicant shall provide; completed application, fee, and three sets of plans depicting the following in accordance with the Delaware State Fire Prevention Regulation (DSFPR):

#### Fire Protection Water Requirements:

- Water distribution system capable of delivering at least 1500 gpm for 2-hour duration, at 20-psi residual pressure is required. Fire hydrants with 800 feet spacing on centers.
- Where a water distribution system is proposed for mercantile sites, the infrastructure for fire protection water shall be provided, including the size of water mains for fire hydrants and sprinkler systems.

#### Fire Protection Features:

- All structures over 10,000 sq. ft. aggregate will require automatic sprinkler protection installed.
- Buildings greater than 10,000 sq. ft. 3-stories or more, over 35 feet, or classified as High Ilazard, are required to meet fire lane marking requirements
- Show Fire Department Connection location (Must be within 300 feet of fire hydrant), and detail as shown in the DSFPR.
- Show Fire Lanes and Sign Detail as shown in DSFPR

#### Accessibility

- All premises, which the fire department may be called upon to protect in case of fire, and which are not readily accessible from public roads, shall be provided with suitable gates and access roads, and fire lanes so that all buildings on the premises are accessible to fire apparatus.
- The use of speed bumps or other methods of traffic speed reduction must be in accordance with Department of Transportation requirements.
- The local Fire Chief, prior to any submission to our Agency, shall approve in writing the use of gates that limit fire department access into and out of the property.

#### Gas Piping and System Information:

• Provide type of fuel proposed, and show locations of bulk containers on plan.

#### Required Notes:

 Provide a note on the final plans submitted for review to read "All fire lanes, fire hydrants, and fire department connections shall be marked in accordance with the Delaware State Fire Prevention Regulations" PLUS review 2019-06-01 Page 5 of 7

- Proposed Use
- Alpha or Numerical Labels for each building/unit for sites with multiple buildings/units
- Square footage of each structure (Total of all Floors)
- National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) Construction Type
- Maximum Height of Buildings (including number of stories)
- Note indicating if building is to be sprinklered
- Name of Water Provider
- Letter from Water Provider approving the system layout
- Provide Lock Box Note (as detailed in DSFPR) if Building is to be sprinklered
- Provide Road Names, even for County Roads

#### Recommendations/Additional Information

This section includes a list of site specific suggestions that are intended to enhance the project. These suggestions have been generated by the State Agencies based on their expertise and subject area knowledge. These suggestions do not represent State code requirements. They are offered here in order to provide proactive ideas to help the applicant enhance the site design, and it is hoped (but in no way required) that the applicant will open a dialogue with the relevant agencies to discuss how the suggestions can benefit the project.

#### <u>Department of Transportation - Contact Bill Brockenbrough 760-2109</u>

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#### <u>Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control – Contact Michael</u> Tholstrup 735-3352

#### **Forest Preservation**

• DNREC mapping indicates presence of forested wetlands which encompass a large portion of the subject parcel.

#### Recommendations:

- The site plan should be designed to allow for the preservation of as much of this wooded area as feasible, with special consideration for preservation given to large, mature trees. Leaving a forest intact is usually more beneficial to the existing wildlife and is preferred to clearing
- To reduce impacts to nesting birds and other wildlife species that utilize forests for breeding, we recommend that clearing not occur April 1st to July 31st.
- Contact the Division of Fish and Wildlife for assistance in identifying, preserving, and managing the mature forest on-site. For technical assistance or to schedule a site visit please contact Katie Kadlubar, <u>Kathryn, Kadlubar@delaware.gov</u>.

#### **Water Quality**

- DNREC mapping indicates presence of wetlands and hydric soils (Hurlock) which encompass a large portion of the subject parcel.
- Increased impervious cover from development and removal of forest cover will increase the potential for future flooding concerns.

#### Recommendations:

- Consider using pervious pavement/pavers in parking areas to help minimize impervious cover.
- To protect the function and integrity of wetlands, a minimum 100 foot buffer should be left intact around the perimeter.
- Avoid disturbance and filling of wetlands.

#### Delaware State Fire Marshall's Office - Contact Duane Fox 259-7037

• Preliminary meetings with fire protection specialists are encouraged prior to formal submittal. Please call for appointment. Applications and brochures can be downloaded from our website: <a href="www.statefiremarshal.delaware.gov">www.statefiremarshal.delaware.gov</a>, technical services link, plan review, applications or brochures.

#### Delaware Area Rapid Transit (DART) - Contact: Jared Kauffman 576-6062

- A shelter pad is needed. DART can specify a type as there is no sketch of the pedestrian pathway.
- Sidewalk is needed to the stop across the street (stop ID 3390) with pedestrian pathway to stop ID 3390. Stop ID 3390 should be upgraded to a Type 2 12'x8' shelter pad.

#### Sussex County - Contact Rob Davis 302-855-7820

 Sussex County does not expect to provide sanitary sewer service within the area proposed for commercial development. The Sussex County Engineering Department recommends the project receive wastewater service from a public utility as proposed. PLUS review 2019-06-01 Page 7 of 7

Following receipt of this letter and upon filing of an application with the local jurisdiction, the applicant shall provide to the local jurisdiction and the Office of State Planning Coordination a written response to comments received as a result of the pre-application process, noting whether comments were incorporated into the project design or not and the reason therefore.

Thank you for the opportunity to review this project. If you have any questions, please contact me at 302-739-3090.

Sincerely,

Constance C. Holland, AICP

Director, Office of State Planning Coordination

CC: Sussex County

August 21, 2019

State of Delaware, Executive Department

Office of Planning Coordination

122 Martin Luther King Blvd, South - Haslet Armory, Third Floor

Dover, DE 19901

RE: PLUS Review 2019-06-01; Plaza Nine

Thank you for the detailed collection of agency contacts, requirement summarization, and recommendations. We have reviewed them thoroughly and will collaborate and comply as noted to all provided except for the State historic Preservation Office (SHPO).

We would like additional discussion and clarification as to why well drained soils near wetlands that were created from altered drainage patterns would constitute medium to high prehistoric archaeological resources. An archaeological study was done across Rt 9 from this site with no significate findings. Route 9, Fisher Road, and the railway and power line easements enclose this parcel. 1.5 acres of the remaining land will not be impacted due to being delineated as wetlands. We will contact SHPO directly as we proceed.

Sincerely,

Jill A. Cicierski

JC Realty Inc. And All America Building Concepts Inc.

16808 Gravel Hill Road,

Milton, DE 19968

**CC: Sussex County** 

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## From Residences of The Reserves At Lewes Landing:

SUSSEX COUNTY PLANNING & ZONING

We support the zoning change from agricultural zoning to C-2 for property on west corner of Fisher Road and Route 9. We would utilize services at this plaza area to avoid the heavy traffic on Route 1 and Lewes business district.

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SUSSEX COUNTY PLANNING & ZONING

Dear Sussex County Planning and Zoning Council,

I recently built a home on Rt.9 between Rt.5 and Rd.30. I absolutely love the Georgetown/Harbeson/Milton area. I would like to support and grow this area by spending more of my time and money shopping and enjoying the amenities of this area.

I am aware of the proposed Plaza Nine Shopping Center and would like to give my support to the zoning change request from AR-1 to C-2.

Respectfully, Docusigned

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18326 Emerson Way

Georgetown, DE 19947

Stephaniemagid1@gmail.com

January 20, 2020

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To Whom It May Concern,

SUSSEX COUNTY PLANNING & ZONING

Regarding C/Z 1904-DRY ACRES,LLC ( JILL CICIERSKI )

We Purchased our home 25394 Smithway, Milton Delaware 12 years ago as a summer home and could not have been happier.

We retired five years ago and are permanent residents of Milton , we are aware of proposed zoning changes for Plaza Nine Development ( Closer shopping would be a great convenience ) .

Shopping on route 1 and going to kent county is a traffic nightmare and very time consuming.

We could not attend zoning hearing in person and hope this note will suffice .

Thank You

MICHAEL R. and ANGELA HAVENS

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SUSSEX COUNTY PLANNING & ZONING

Dear Sussex County Planning and Zoning and County Council,

My wife and I relocated to Milton from Philadelphia after closing our Epicure Cafe and butcher shop of 35 years.

We are pleased with our home and community in Milton, but would love to see more services, restaurants, and different grocery/marketplaces come to the area.

We are aware of the location proposed for Plaza Nine and know that if it is permitted through a change of zoning, it will attract fresh opportunities. We still drive to Kent and New Castle Counties for special products. We'd love to just shop Milton and Plaza Nine for our needs.

We support the zoning change request from AR-1 to C-2.

Respectfully,

Tom & Ariene Leschak 120 Red Cedar Drive

Milton, DE 19968

Epicurecafe@yahoo.com

(267) 474-2719

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SUSSEX COUNTY PLANNING & ZONING

Dear Sussex County Planning and Zoning And County Council

I grew up in Milton and have married and rasied my family here. lam aware of the location proposed for Plaza Nine and know that if it is permitted through a change of zoning, it will attract more opportunities which Milton needs.

I have to leave Milton to do most of my shopping, and in the summer it is impossible to get anywhere. I would love to just stay in Milton and support my home town, and Plaza Nine for my needs.

I support the zoning change request from AR-1 to C-2.

Respectfully,

Darlene Cronic

13097 Reynolds Road

Milton, De. 19968

Dear Sussex County Planning and Zoning and County Council,

I am a lifelong resident and have lived in the Georgetown/Milton area for the past 20 years. There is a great need for more amenities in this area. We are very limited on restaurants, grocery stores, gas stations, and shopping without driving miles away to Lewes, Rehoboth, and Millsboro areas.

I am very much in support of the zoning change request from AR-1 to C-2

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Respectfully,

DocuSigned by:

Suzanne Cannon 20525 Gravel Hill Rd Georgetown, De 19947

Suzanne.cannon69@yahoo.com

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### Sussez County Planning and Zoning Commission:

SUSSEX COUNTY PLANNING & ZONING

I am a retiree living in the Reserves At Lewes Landing. This development is located West of 5 points - Rt 1 along Rt 9/404. I relocated to the "beaches" from PA after retirement to enjoy the quiet coastal life and benefits that Delaware offers.

Since moving here in 2010, the population growth has increased beyond my imagination as well as traffic increase. It would be of great benefit to have access of more choice shopping selections closer to home for us living West of Rt. 1 and the Milton area to avoid the busy traffic patterns on Rt. 1.

I sincerely hope the suggested re-zoning of property located between the new Dollar General and Self-Storage on the corner of Rt 9/404 and Fisher Road will be changed to commercial to allow for more shopping services.

Sincerely,

June Cicierski

My husband and I live in a rural section of Milton and it is our dream rural community here. We are aware of the location proposed for Plaza Nine which sets between the new Dollar General and self-storage facility. We think a modest, modern plaza with a mix of professional office, retail, and restaurant services would be an excellent asset to the region.

We have known Jill Cicierski for nearly five year. She has conceptualized and designed the idea of this plaza since day one. She is a successful planning and executor of good ideas. She is one of our neighbors and has planned your property and home construction very well. We know she and her business partner will do a fantastic, tasteful job at the plaza and populate it with great tenants.

As owners of the Chic-fil-A of Rehoboth Beach, we are advocates for new businesses and restaurants particularly in the Rt 1 to Rt 113 region as this area continues to grow annually! We support the zoning change request from agricultural to C-2 for this parcel.

Sincerely,

Zeslie C. Hayes

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#### April Black / Cydnee Martin 20221 Gravel Hill Road Georgetown, DE 19947 Lirpablack321@gmail.com

January 22,2020

Dear Sussex County Planning and Zoning Board,

We enjoy everything that living in Georgetown Delaware has to offer. The wonderful beaches, shopping, and restaurants have given us so much enjoyment in the past years since we moved to Delaware. We completely support the zoning change for the parcel between the new Dollar General and the new Self Storage on Rt.9 / Fisher Rd intersection. It would be wonderful to see this area offer more than just a quick trip to the convenience store. We think what Plaza Nine has planned will make this stretch of road a destination with lots of interest for residents and people visiting the area.

Sincerely,

April Black Cydnee Martin RECEIVED

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SUSSEX COUNTY

To whom it may concern:

My husband and I have owned a vacation house In Delaware for the past fifteen years. We enjoy all the communities and what they have to offer.

Being a small business owner, we especially appreciate what they can offer and like to support them.

We support growth in a community like this and change in zoning.

Offering small business growth offers so much to a community and to those who enjoy visiting.

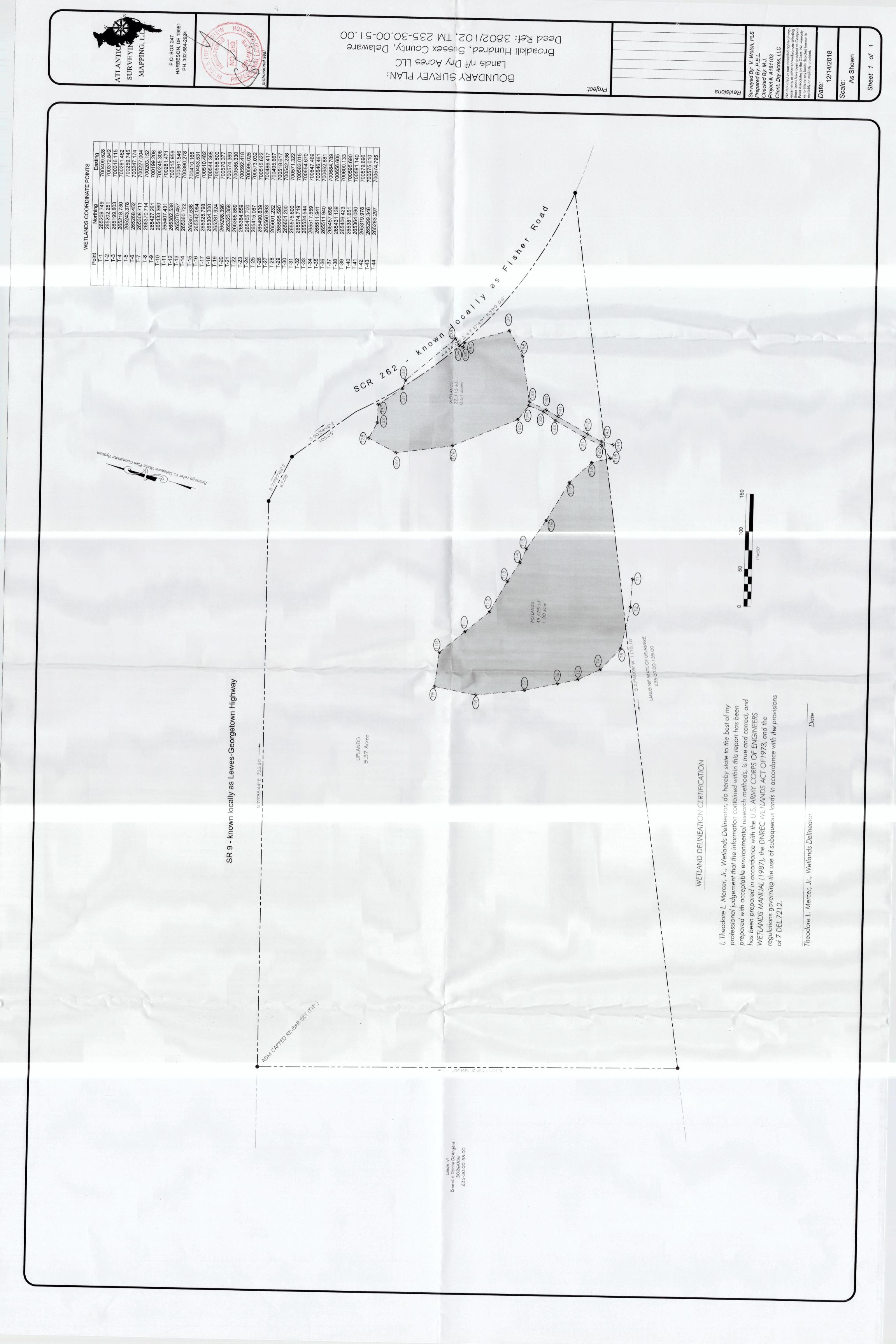
We, therefore, support the zoning change to commercial for the parcel between the new Dollar General and mini storage units on the corner of Route 9 and Fisher Road.

Respectfully, Scott and Celesta Funk 18387 Dunes Way Lewes, Delaware

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## PLAZA NINE JILL A. CICIERSKI | DRY ACRES, LLC

**CASE NO. CZ 1904** 

#### **ZONING MAP AMENDMENT FROM AR-1 TO C-2**

#### **OWNER:**

Dry Acres, LLC 16973 Island Farm Lane Milton, DE 19968

#### **DEVELOPER:**

Jill A. Cicierski 16808 Gravel Hill Road Milton, DE 19968

#### PLANNER/ENGINEER/SURVEYOR:

PENNONI 18072 DAVIDSON DRIVE MILTON, DE 19968 MARK H. DAVIDSON, PRINCIPAL LAND PLANNER ALAN DECKTOR, PE., ENV SP JOHN W. HAUPT, PLS

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL:**

PENNONI & ACCENT ENVIRONMENTAL WILLIAM J. GANGLOFF, PhD. PROFESSIONAL SOIL SCIENTIST

THEODORE L MERCER, JR., WETLANDS DELINEATOR

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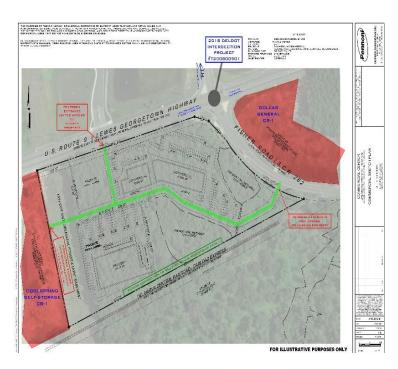
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## Mark H. Davidson / Vice President

## **Principal Land Planner/Office Director**

#### **EDUCATION**

University of Delaware; Civil Engineering, (1986-1990)

Land Surveying, Delaware Technical & Community College (1984-1986) and Wastewater Microbiology Diploma (1997)

Land Planning, Institute for Public Administration (2006)

#### **CERTIFICATIONS**

DNREC Class A Percolation Tester & Class B Septic Designer, (DE #2418)

Sediment & Stormwater Management, Responsible Personnel, DE (#8760) and MD (#4914)

DNREC Certified Construction Reviewer: DE (#1270)

**Delaware Notary** 

#### **TRAININGS**

Hydrology, Delaware TR-20 (1993)

Reducing Flood Hazard in Coastal Development (1996)

Law for Managers/Supervisors (1999)

State and Federal Laws (2000)

Advanced Real Estate Law in Delaware (2002)

Land Conservation and Historic Preservation (2003)

Land Surveying Business Diploma (1998)

Project Manager Training I, Pennoni (2015)

#### PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

National Onsite Wastewater Recycling Association

Delaware Onsite Wastewater Recycling Association

American Planning Association

American Institute of Certified Planners

#### **HONORS/AWARDS**

Association of Professionals Philanthropy, Brandywine Chapter Fundraising Nominee (2014)

Notable Networker Award, BNI (2013)

#### **EXPERIENCE SUMMARY**

Mark H. Davidson serves as Vice President of Pennoni and Office Director for our Southern Delaware, Milton Office. Mark also serves as the Principal Land Planner for Pennoni. He has over 33-years of past experience in Surveying, Engineering, Consulting, Construction and Land Planning. For 12-years he owned a professional engineering, surveying, land planning, environmental and consulting firm that provided professional consulting and design in land planning for residential, industrial, institutional, municipal and commercial applications to a wide range of clients in Delaware and Maryland. Mr. Davidson's project experience includes land development planning, surveying, engineering, environmental design and permitting; construction and project consulting, management and inspection; water resource consulting, management and inspection and municipal consulting, planning and inspection for residential, industrial, institutional, municipal and commercial applications.

Mark is a past director of the Delaware Onsite Wastewater Recycling Association as well as a member of the American Planning Association, American Institute of Certified Planners and has served in the past as a committee member of Delaware Low Impact Development Roundtable Committee, Delaware Pollution Control Strategy Committee, Delaware Sediment & Stormwater Regulatory Advisory Committee, and the Delaware Technical & Community College A/E Curriculum Committee. He was also nominated for the Brandywine Chapter Association of Fundraising Professionals Philanthropy Award and has won the BNI Notable Networker Award.

Along with all the experience and education stated and with many years of combined experience in Surveying, Engineering, Consulting and Land Planning, he has been responsible for providing consulting, layout and design in surveying, engineering and land planning for residential, industrial, institutional, municipal and commercial applications to a wide range of clients in Delaware, Maryland, Virginia and West Virginia. He has project managed, studied, planned, surveyed, designed and engineered sustainable, master-planned communities, commercial and urban redevelopment projects, and the public infrastructure that supports them.

Mark has provided nationwide land planning consulting services to a variety of clientele to help coordinate project startups as well as final construction consulting services when it came to commercial, residential, industrial, municipal, educational and community land planning. Provided additional consulting in civil/site engineering, stormwater management, erosion and sediment control, wastewater collection and disposal, transportation, and environmental. Market areas practiced; Delaware, Maryland, West Virginia, Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, North Dakota, Puerto Rico, Canada and Panama.

Additional Project experience includes cutting edge design and technology as well as value engineering to help clients through the ever-changing market including but not limited to solar voltaic and wind generation projects.

He was currently appointed by the Secretary of DNREC to serve 3-years on the On Site Septic Advisory Board for the State of Delaware.



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## Planning & Zoning Commission Application Sussex County, Delaware

Sussex County Planning & Zoning Department 2 The Circle (P.O. Box 417) Georgetown, DE 19947 302-855-7878 ph. 302-854-5079 fax

Type of Application: (please check applicational like	able)		
Conditional Use Zoning Map Amendment <a href="#">Y</a>			
Zoning Map Amenament <u>*</u>			
Site Address of Conditional Use/Zoning N	lap Amendment	t	
Southwest corner of the intersection of US Ro	ute 9 and Fisher F	Road (Sussex Road 262)	
Type of Conditional Use Requested:			
Tax Map #: 235-30.00-51.00		Size of Parcel(s): 10.88-11	.27 acres
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Water Provider: Artesian	Sewer	Provider: Artesian	
Applicant Information			
Applicant Name: Jill A. Cicierski			
Applicant Address: 16808 Gravel Hill Road			
City: Milton	State: DE	ZipCode: 19968	
Phone #: 302-841-2282	_ E-mail: allameri	canbuildingconcepts@gmail.co	om
Owner Information			
Owner information			
Owner Name: Dry Acres LLC			
Owner Address: 16973 Island Farm Lane			
City: Milton	State: DE	Zip Code: 19968	
Phone #: 302-438-5366	E-mail: thom50	0@yahoo.com	
Agent/Attorney/Engineer Information			
Agent/Attorney/Engineer Name: Mark H. I	Davidson		
Agent/Attorney/Engineer Address: Pennon	i - 18972 Davidso	n Drive	
City: Milton	State: DE	Zip Code: 19968	
Phone #: 302-684-8030	E-mail: mdavids	on@pennoni.com	

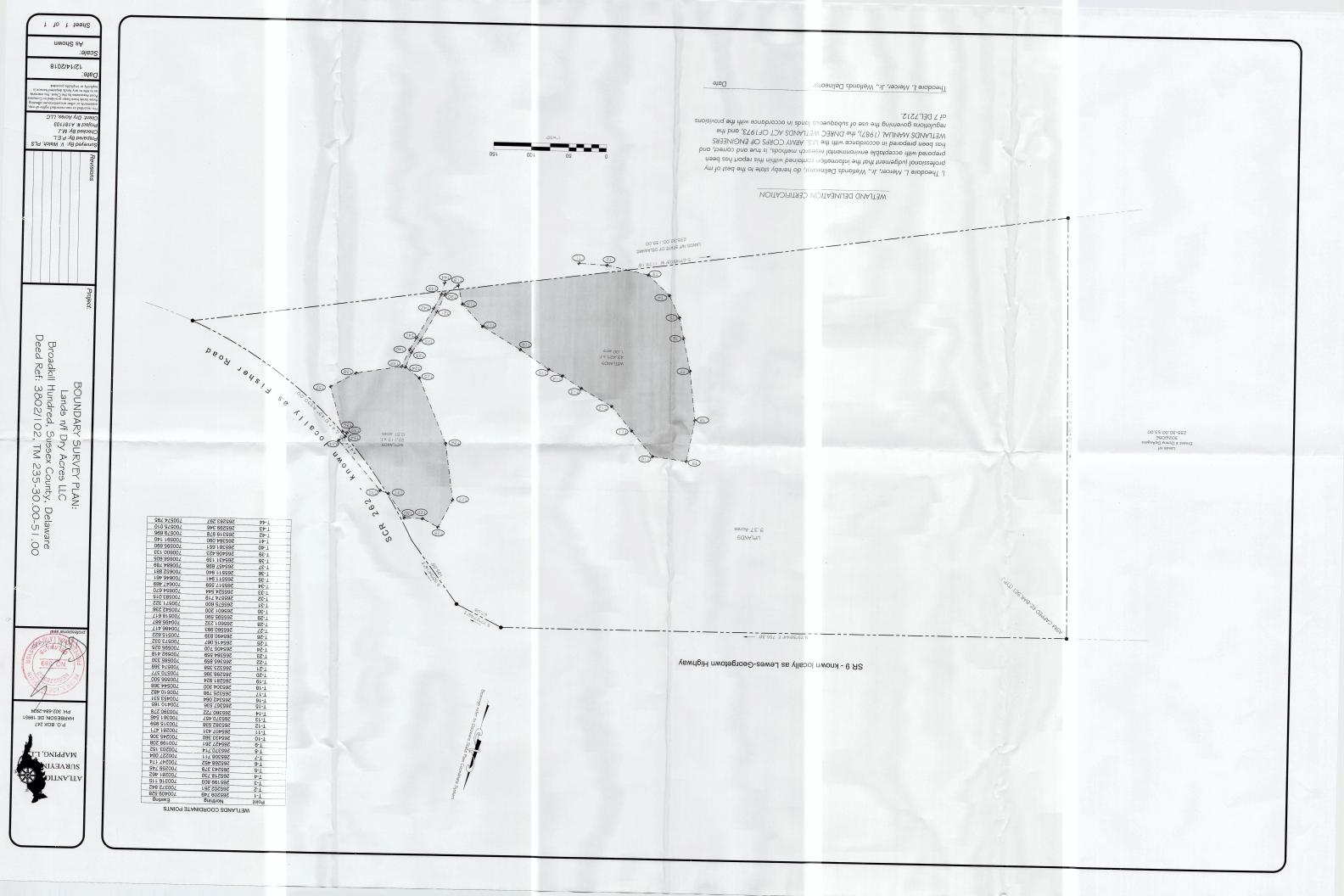




## **Check List for Sussex County Planning & Zoning Applications**

The following shall be submitted with the application

	4	Completed Application			
		Provide eight (8) copies of the Site Plan or Survey of the property  Survey shall show the location of existing or proposed building(s), building setbacks, parking area, proposed entrance location, etc.  Provide a PDF of Plans (may be e-mailed to a staff member)  Deed or Legal description			
	₩	Provide Fee \$500.00			
		Optional - Additional information for the Commission/Council to consider (ex. architectural elevations, photos, exhibit books, etc.) If provided submit 8 copies and they shall be submitted a minimum of ten (10) days prior to the Planning Commission meeting.			
		Please be aware that Public Notice will be sent to property owners within 200 feet of the subject site and County staff will come out to the subject site, take photos and place a sign on the site stating the date and time of the Public Hearings for the application.			
		DelDOT Service Level Evaluation Request Response			
		PLUS Response Letter (if required)			
	The undersigned hereby certifies that the forms, exhibits, and statements contained in any papers or plans submitted as a part of this application are true and correct.				
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#### DESCRIPTION

The following is a Description of lands now or formerly of Dry Acres LLC, said lands being situate in Broadkill Hundred, Sussex County, Delaware and being bounded on the north by State Route 9 – known locally as, and hereafter referred to as Lewes-Georgetown Highway, on the east by Sussex County Route 262 – known locally as, and hereafter referred to as Fisher Road, on the south by lands now or formerly of the State of Delaware, and on the west by lands now or formerly of Ernest and Donna DeAngelis, said Dry Acres LLC and said lands being more particularly described as follows, to wit:

BEGINNING, for the purpose of this Description, at the common boundary corner of these lands and lands of Ernest and Donna DeAngelis, abovementioned, said Beginning point being on the southerly right of way line of the Lewes-Georgetown Highway, abovementioned; thence by and with the said southerly right of way line of the Lewes-Georgetown Highway North 75 degrees 38 minutes 44 seconds East 755.38 feet to a corner cut connecting the said southerly right of way line of the Lewes-Georgetown Highway with the westerly right of way line of Fisher Road, abovementioned; thence by and with said corner cut South 77 degrees 27 minutes 46 seconds East 67.08 feet; thence by and with said westerly right of way line of Fisher Road South 50 degrees 34 minutes 16 seconds East 105.05 feet; thence continuing with the said westerly right of way line of Fisher Road 424.05 feet by and with the arc of a curve to the left whose radius is 590.00 feet and whose central angle is 41 degrees 10 minutes 49 seconds, to lands now or formerly the State of Delaware, abovementioned; thence by and with said lands now or formerly of the State of Delaware South 67 degrees 45 minutes 03 seconds West 1179.18 feet to the common boundary corner of these lands and lands now or formerly of Ernest and Donna DeAngelis, abovementioned; thence by and with the common boundary line of these lands and said lands or formerly of Ernest and Donna DeAngelis North 51 degrees 11 minutes 59 seconds West 564.82 feet to the Beginning and containing 10.88 acres, more or less.

Project No.
Tax Parcel No.
Project Parcel No.

T200800901 2-35-30.00-51.00 10-R

#### STATE OF DELAWARE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION REAL ESTATE SECTION



#### PURCHASE AGREEMENT

THIS PURCHASE AGREEMENT (hereinafter "Agreement") is made as of this day of \_\_\_\_\_\_, 2012 by and between Dry Acres, LLC (hereinafter "Owner") and the Department of Transportation of the State of Delaware (hereinafter "DelDOT").

WHEREAS, DelDOT has a transportation public use project with a State Project No. of T200800901 and an F.A.P. Project No. of ESTP-S999(88) (hereinafter "Project"); and

WHEREAS, the Owner is vested with the fee simple title to the property required for the Project, said property is identified as Project Parcel No. 10-R on the Project's Plan Sheet No(s). 15, 16, 17, 18 and 34 and further as County Tax Parcel No. 2-35-30.00-51.00, with a street address of on the southwest corner of Lewes Georgetown Highway and Fisher Road (hereinafter "Property"); and

WHEREAS, DelDOT is an agency of the State of Delaware with the authority to acquire real property for use in transportation projects or programs through eminent domain proceedings; and

WHEREAS, DelDOT wishes to acquire a portion of the Parcel and, if unsuccessful in acquiring such portion by purchase, will institute condemnation proceedings to acquire such portion.

**NOW THEREFORE**, in consideration of the promises and mutual covenants herein contained, the Owner, his/her/its heirs, executors, administrators, successors or assigns, and DelDOT do agree as follows:

- 1. Owner hereby agrees to sell, and DelDOT agrees to purchase in fee simple, the Property consisting of the following: A Fee Acquisition 1 consisting of approximately 7,455.9515 square feet (0.1712 acres), Fee Acquisition 2 consisting of approximately 4,033.8566 square feet (0.0926 acres) and the underlying Fee of Existing Daylight Easement consisting of approximately 1,008.4857 square feet (0.0232 acers) and all damages incident thereto. This sale includes all rights, title and interest, if any, of the Owner in and to any land lying in the bed of any street, road or avenue opened or proposed to the centerline thereof.
- 2. DelDOT will pay to the Owner the sum of Ten Thousand Nine Hundred Dollars (\$10,900.00) as the full purchase price of the Property.



DELDOT REAL ESTATE

- 3. Final settlement for the purchase of the Property shall be held within ninety (90) days from the date of this Agreement. However, DelDOT reserves the right to extend the settlement date if additional time is needed, through no fault of DelDOT in order to obtain clear title to the Property under Paragraph 7 of this Agreement. The Owner shall receive notice of the time and place of settlement.
- 4. Any written notice shall be directed to the Owner at

16793 Island Farm Lane Milton, DE 19968 Attn.: Shauna Thompson; Telephone: 302-684-3901

Any notice to be given to DelDOT will be mailed to: State of Delaware Department of Transportation Attention: Ida J. Parrett Real Estate Section P.O. Box 778 Dover, Delaware 19903

All written notices shall be given by first class mail and shall be effective upon posting.

- 5. Municipal, county and school taxes will be prorated and paid at settlement when such proration equals \$20.00 or more. Water rent, sewer service and heating fuel will be prorated and paid only in cases where acquisition includes the structures serviced by such utilities and such proration equals \$20.00 or more.
- 6. In the event that the Property to be acquired is subject to a lease from the Owner to a third party, the Owner shall at the date of settlement deliver said Property free and clear of any leasehold interest, unless otherwise agreed in writing.
- 7. Good fee simple, marketable title shall be conveyed to the State of Delaware at DelDOT's expense. Title shall be free and clear of all liens or encumbrances of every description at or prior to settlement, unless otherwise agreed in writing. Owner represents and warrants to DelDOT that the Owner is the only fee simple title owner of the Property.
- 8. If this Agreement is for the acquisition of land only, DelDOT shall have the right of immediate entry upon said land for the purpose of construction of a State highway. The Owner hereby waives the right to receive full payment prior to surrendering possession.
- 9. Possession of the Property shall be delivered by the Owner to DelDOT not later than the date of final settlement. All keys in the Owner's possession or under the Owner's control shall be delivered to DelDOT at settlement.
- 10. The Owner agrees to maintain the Property to be purchased hereunder in its condition as of the date of this Agreement, ordinary wear and tear excepted. DelDOT shall have the right to inspect the Property, including all improvements, fixtures, systems,

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ACQ5-2 March 2010 machinery and equipment within 48 hours prior to settlement to determine that the Property is in the same condition as of the date of this Agreement. If there is a material change in the condition of any property being acquired, other than ordinary wear and tear, DelDOT reserves the right to renegotiate the purchase price to reflect the change in condition, or to extend the settlement date for a reasonable period of time until the Owner has returned the property being acquired to its condition on the date of this Agreement.

- 11. Any loss or damage to the Property by fire, windstorm or other casualty prior to settlement shall be borne by the Owner. Risk of loss or damage to the Property shall pass to DelDOT from the Owner at the time of final settlement or date of possession, whichever is earlier.
- 12. Owner shall not, during the terms of this Agreement, grant, convey, encumber or option the Property or any part thereof to any person, firm or association without the prior written consent of DelDOT.
- 13. This Agreement shall constitute the entire contract between DelDOT and the Owner, and no modification shall be binding on either party unless reduced to writing and signed by and on behalf of the Owner and by and on behalf of DelDOT.
- 14. As used herein, the singular terms shall include the plural, and the plural terms shall include the singular; male shall include female.
- 15. This Agreement shall be binding upon and shall inure to the benefit of the parties hereto and their heirs, executors, administrators, successors or assigns.

[Signature Page Follows.]

day and year first above written. SIGNED, SEALED AND DELIVERED IN THE PRESENCE OF: Dry Acres, LLC Mark Bonk, President (SEAL) Witness (SEAL) Witness (SEAL) Witness FOR DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION USE ONLY DO NOT WRITE BELOW THIS LINE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION Approved this day of A.D. BY: (SEAL) Witness

Real Estate Representative

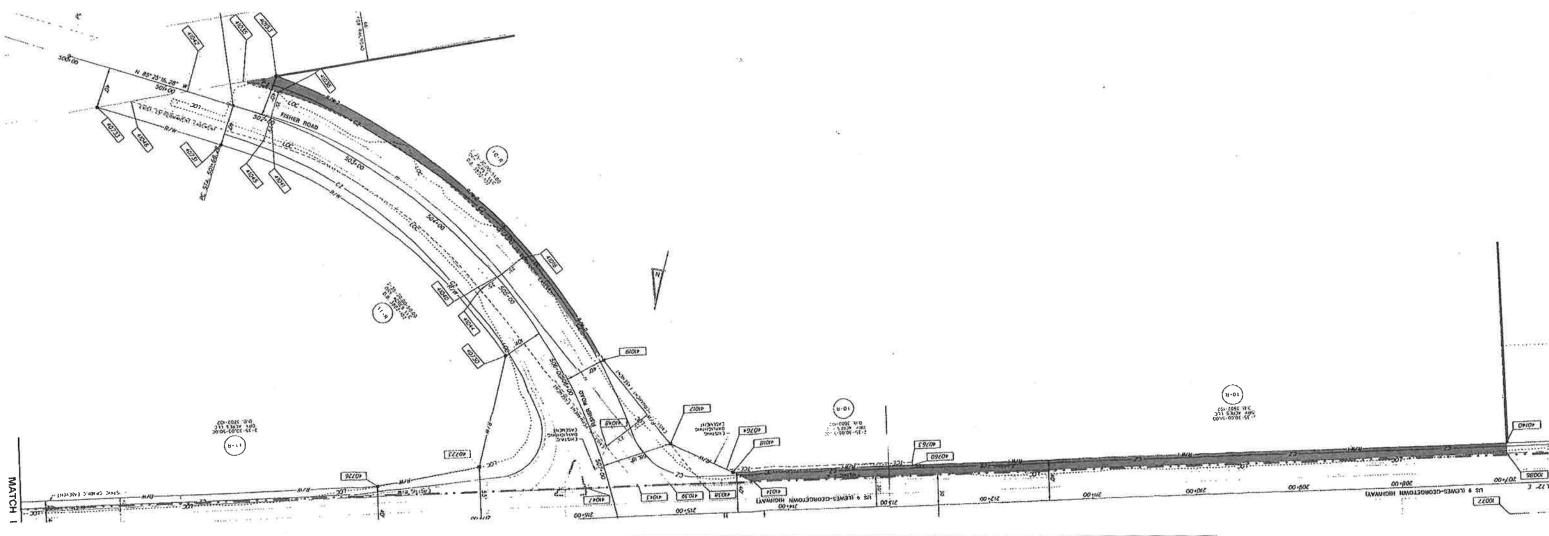
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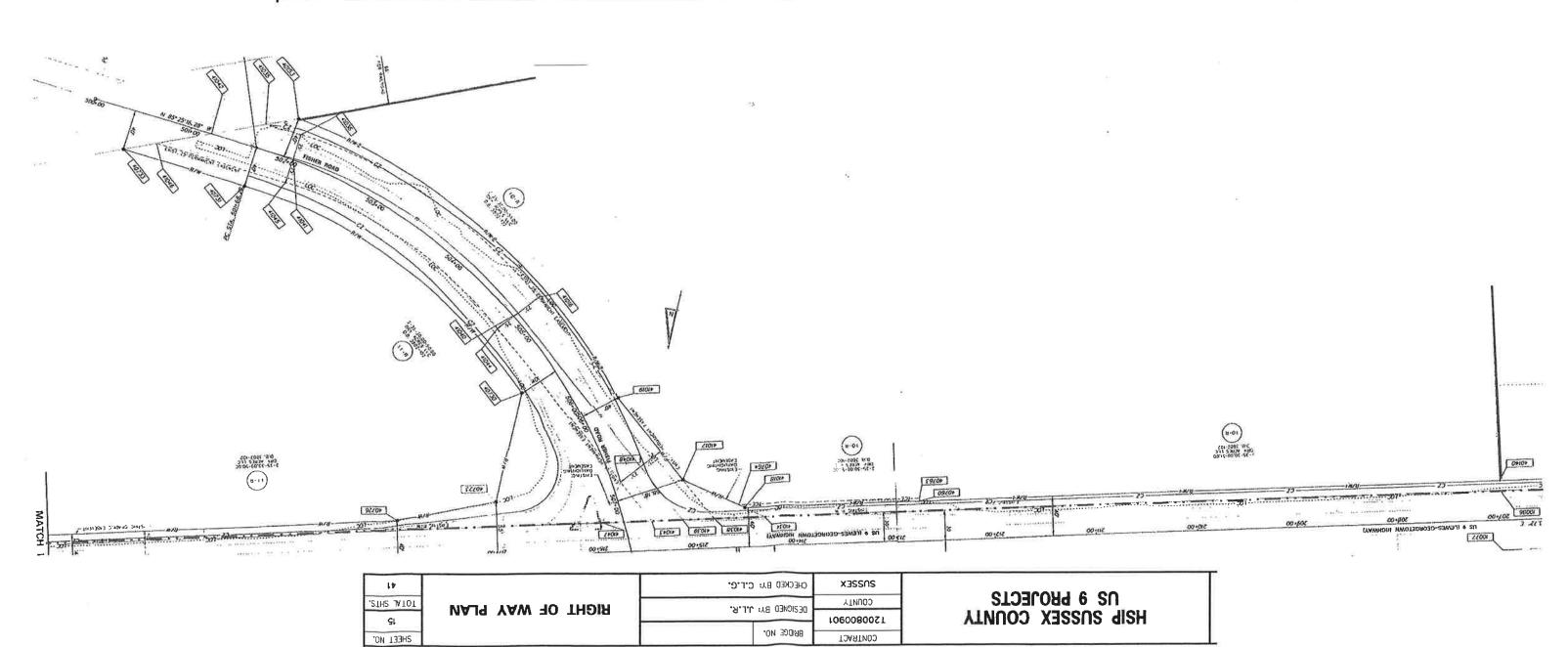
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#### STATE OF DELAWARE

#### DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

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DOVER, DELAWARE 19803

JENNIFER COHAN SECRETARY

April 5, 2019

Ms. Janelle Cornwell, Director Sussex County Planning & Zoning P.O. Box 417 Georgetown, DE 19947

Dear Ms. Cornwell:

The Department has completed its review of a Service Level Evaluation Request for the Jill Cicierski rezoning application, which we received on March 11, 2019. This application is for an 11.27-acre parcel (Tax Parcel: 235-30.00-51.00). The subject land is located on the southwest corner of the intersection of US Route 9 and Fisher Road (Sussex Road 262). The subject land is currently zoned AR-1 (Agricultural Residential), and the applicant is seeking to rezone the land to C-3 (Heavy Commercial) to develop approximately 90,000 square feet of commercial space to include a business office, a retail plaza, a bank, and a restaurant.

Per the 2017 Delaware Vehicle Volume Summary, the annual average and summer average daily traffic volumes along the segment of US Route 9 where the subject land is located, which is from Delaware Route 5 and Delaware Route 1, are 14,696 and 18,914 vehicles per day, respectively. As the subject land also has frontage along Fisher Road, the annual average and summer average daily traffic volumes along that road segment, which is from Cool Spring Road (Sussex Road 290) to US Route 9, are 2,067 and 2,660 vehicles per day, respectively.

Our volume-based criteria for requiring a traffic impact study (TIS), addressed in Section 2.2.2.1 of the <u>Development Coordination Manual</u>, are that a development generates more than 500 trips per day or 50 trips during a weekly peak hour. While it seems that the above criteria could be met, we presently cannot predict the site's trip generation with enough accuracy to make a TIS useful. Thus, we recommend that this rezoning application be considered without a TIS and that the need for a TIS be evaluated when a subdivision or land development plan is proposed.



Ms. Janelle M. Cornwell Page 2 of 2 April 5, 2019

Please contact Mr. Claudy Joinville, at (302) 760-2124, if you have questions concerning this correspondence.

Sincerely,

T. William Brockenbrough, Jr.

THE PART 601

**County Coordinator** 

**Development Coordination** 

#### TWB:cjm

cc: Constance C. Holland, Coordinator, Cabinet Committee on State Planning Issues Jill Cicierski, Applicant

J. Marc Coté, Assistant Director, Development Coordination Gemez Norwood, South District Public Works Manager, Maintenance and Operations

Susanne Laws, Sussex County Subdivision Coordinator, Development Coordination Derek Sapp, Subdivision Manager, Development Coordination Brian Yates, Subdivision Manager, Development Coordination John Andrescavage, Subdivision Manager, Development Coordination Troy Brestel, Project Engineer, Development Coordination Claudy Joinville, Project Engineer, Development Coordination



# STATE OF DELAWARE EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT OFFICE OF STATE PLANNING COORDINATION

July 23, 2019

January 6, 2020

Ms. Constance C. Holland, AICP Director, Office of State Planning Coordination 122 Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd. South – Haslet Armory Dover, Delaware 19901

Jill A. Cicierski JC Reality, Inc. 16808 Gravel Hill Road Milton, DE 19968

RE: PLUS review 2019-06-01; Plaza Nine ADDITIONAL PLUS REVIEW RESPONSE FOR PLAZA NINE (CICIERSKI) LANDS

Dear Ms. Cicierski: Dear Ms. Holland:

Thank you for meeting with State agency planers on June 26, 2019 to discuss the proposed plans for the Plaza Nine project. According to the information received you are seeking review of a site plan for a 90,000 square foot commercial center near the intersection of Route 9 and Fisher Road in Sussex County.

Pennoni is in receipt of your July 23, 2019 letter outlining the PLUS meeting that took place on June 26, 2019 with your office and several of the state agencies. We appreciate you accepting the application into the PLUS process and submit our response as an addition to the August 21, 2019 response provided to your office by the applicant, Ms. Jill Cicierski. The application you reviewed was for a rezoning to C-3 Heavy Commercial which is contrary at this time to how the 2019 Future Land Use Map has designated the use for this property. The Comprehensive Plan states that each land use proposal the County receives should be reviewed on its own merit to determine is the proposal is consistent and does not have a negative impact on the surrounding area or the County in general. The application submitted to the County is to rezone the property to C-2 Medium Commercial, which is an applicable zoning district per Table 4.5-2. Since the comprehensive plan is a guide for the future use of land, the County's official zoning map must be consistent with the uses and intensities of uses provided for in the Future Land Use Plan.

In Ordinance 2550, Sussex County Council desired to create a more specific C-2 Medium Commercial zoning district with smaller, more related uses within the District to promote better planning and predictability within Sussex County. The purpose of the C-2 Medium Commercial District is to support uses that include retail sales and performance of consumer services. It permits

122 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd. South – Haslet Armory · Third Floor · Dover, DE 19901 Phone (302)739-3090 · Fax (302) 739-5661 · www. stateplanning.delaware.gov a variety of retail, professional and service businesses. The district shall be primarily located near arterial and collector streets. It accommodates community commercial uses that do not have outside storage or sales.

Please note that changes to the plan, other than those suggested in this letter, could result in additional comments from the State. Additionally, these comments reflect only issues that are the responsibility of the agencies represented at the meeting. The developers will also need to comply with any Federal, State, and local regulations regarding this property. We also note that as Sussex County is the governing authority over this land, the developers will need to comply with any and all regulations/restrictions set forth by the County.

Understood.

#### **Strategies for State Policies and Spending**

This project is located in Investment Level 3 according to the Strategies for State Policies and Spending. Investment Level 3 reflects areas where growth is anticipated by local, county, and state plans in the longer term future, or areas that may have environmental or other constraints to development. State investments may support future growth in these areas, but may have priorities for the near future. Level 3 area means there may be environmental concerns on or near the parcel and we would encourage you to design the site with respect for the environmental features which are

The 2015 Strategies for State Policies and Spending Map identifies the area as Investment Level 3. This area is intermingled within a fast-growing area within the county and is adjacent (just north of the property) to Level 2 areas. The priorities in the Level 3 Areas are for DelDOT to focus on regional movements between towns and other population centers. Developers and property owners will make local roadway improvements as development occurs. All infrastructure needs will be funded by the Developer. Additional public infrastructure that will benefit the community, such as, road improvements, utilities and access improvements will be paid for by the Developer. Consistent with the 2019 Comprehensive Plan's Future Land Use Chapter the County has considered the development along US 9 as a business corridor with a mix of residential and commercial uses that provide local residents with access to services they need. Local services would reduce travel to SR 1 for basic needs. The rezoning request is between US RT 9 and the Existing Railroad Tracks.

### **Code Requirements/Agency Permitting Requirements**

#### <u>Department of Transportation – Contact Bill Brockenbrough 760-2109</u>

• The proposed project is located or is adjacent to US Route 9/Lewes Georgetown Highway. This transportation corridor is part of the Federal Aid Primary Road System and is nominated as part of the Delaware Bayshore Byway Program. Accordingly, parts

of the subject development are subject to outdoor advertising regulations found in CFR 23 §131 and 17 Del. C. §1101-1120. Accordingly, the applicant should expect the following requirements or needs:

- o No new billboards, variable message boards, or electronic changing message sign(s) anywhere within 660 feet of the closest right-of-way edge of Route 9.
- No off-premises advertising on the property for others within 660 feet of Route 9
  e.g., displaying on-site the bank/financial institution funding the project or the
  contractor building the project.
- O A standard Delaware Bayshore byway sign may be needed in public right ways as part of the entrance/development coordination review. Further needs would be determined during entrance plan submission and/or other applicable TIS studies.

For more information on the Byways program, please see <a href="http://deldot.maps.arcgis.com/apps/webappviewer/index.html?id=03d5049bc49041658cf">http://deldot.maps.arcgis.com/apps/webappviewer/index.html?id=03d5049bc49041658cf</a> ecad5fd6ba8b9.

The Property owner will work with DelDOT and the Bayshore Byway Program Committee in the development of the property.

• The site access on US Route 9 and on Fisher Road must be designed in accordance with DelDOT's <u>Development Coordination Manual</u>. A copy of the <u>Manual</u> is available at <a href="http://www.deldot.gov/information/business/subdivisions/changes/index.shtml">http://www.deldot.gov/information/business/subdivisions/changes/index.shtml</a>.

#### Understood

• Per Section 2.2.2.1 of the <u>Manual</u>, Traffic Impact Studies (TIS) are warranted for developments generating more than 500 vehicle trip ends per day or 50 vehicle trip ends per hour in any hour of the day. If the County approves this rezoning, DelDOT will revisit the need for a TIS when a site plan is presented.

#### Understood

Preliminarily, however, DelDOT anticipates requiring the developer to provide a TIS for DelDOT's review and approval before receiving plan approvals. The purpose of a TIS is to identify off-site transportation improvements that the developer would be required to build or contribute toward. Without prejudging the results of the TIS, DelDOT anticipates requiring that the developer make improvements on Fisher Road and limit their access on US Route 9 to right turns in and out.

Will comply if requested during the design of the project.

• As necessary, in accordance with Section 3.2.5 and Figure 3.2.5-a of the Manual, DelDOT will require dedication of right-of-way along the site's frontage on both US Route 9 and Fisher Road. By this regulation, the dedication is to provide a minimum of 50 feet from the physical centerline of US Route 9 and 30 feet of right-of-way from the physical centerline of Fisher Road. The following right-of-way dedication note is required, "An X-foot wide right-of-way is hereby dedicated to the State of Delaware, as per this plat."

Additional right-of-way along both roadways was dedicated to DelDOT back in 2012. An additional dedication along US Route 9 is anticipated as part of the planning of the property.

• In accordance with Section 3.2.5.1.2 of the Manual, DelDOT will require the establishment of a 15-foot wide permanent easement across the property frontage on both roads. The location of the easement shall be outside the limits of the ultimate right-of-way. The easement area can be used as part of the open space calculation for the site. The following note is required, "A 15-foot wide permanent easement is hereby established for the State of Delaware, as per this plat."

#### Understood

• Section 3.5.4.2 of the <u>Manual</u> addresses requirements for shared-use paths and sidewalks. Referring to Section 3.5.4.2.A of the <u>Manual</u>, DelDOT may require developments in Level 3 and 4 Areas to install a sidewalk or Shared Use Path along their frontage. DelDOT anticipates requiring a Shared Use Path along US Route 9 and Fisher Road.

#### Understood

• Referring to Section 3.5.5 of the <u>Manual</u>, existing and proposed transit stops and associated facilities as required by the Delaware Transit Corporation (DTC) or DelDOT shall be shown on the Record Plan.

#### Understood

• In accordance with Section 5.2.9 of the Manual, the Auxiliary Lane Worksheet should be used to determine whether turning lanes are warranted at the site entrance, if a new entrance is proposed and how long the lanes should be at the existing entrances. The worksheet can be found at <a href="http://www.deldot.gov/Business/subdivisions/index.shtml">http://www.deldot.gov/Business/subdivisions/index.shtml</a>. Because of the proximity of the Route 9 entrance to the Fisher Road intersection and the limited space available to accommodate westbound left turns into the site, DelDOT anticipates requiring that that movement be served by the Fisher Road entrance.

#### Will Comply

#### <u>State Historic Preservation Office – Contact Carlton Hall 736-7404</u>

• There are no known archaeological sites, or known National Register-listed or eligible properties on the parcel. However, the area has medium to high potential for prehistoric archaeological resources based on well drained soils adjacent to the wetlands on and near the project area. Therefore, the Delaware SHPO is recommending an archaeological survey of the project area.

Archeological Surveys were completed on several properties adjacent to this subject property as a part of the intersection improvements and additional property acquired for the intersection improvements. Nothing was found as a part of these surveys. This project is private, and no public investment is anticipated for the project. Rest assured that if any prehistoric archaeological resources are discovered during the planning, design and construction of the project, the developer will contact State Historic Preservation Office.

• If any project or development proceeds, the developer should be aware of the Unmarked Human Burials and Human Skeletal Remains Law (Del. C. Title 7, Ch. 54).

#### Understood

• If there is federal involvement, in the form of licenses, permits, or funds, the federal agency, often through its client, is responsible for complying with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (36 CFR 800) and must consider their project's effects on any known or potential cultural or historic resources. For further information on the Section 106 process please review the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation's website at: <a href="https://www.achp.gov">www.achp.gov</a>

#### Understood

#### **Delaware State Fire Marshall's Office – Contact Duane Fox 259-7037**

At the time of formal submittal, the applicant shall provide; completed application, fee, and three sets of plans depicting the following in accordance with the Delaware State Fire Prevention Regulation (DSFPR):

#### Fire Protection Water Requirements:

- Water distribution system capable of delivering at least 1500 gpm for 2-hour duration, at 20-psi residual pressure is required. Fire hydrants with 800 feet spacing on centers.
- Where a water distribution system is proposed for mercantile sites, the infrastructure for fire protection water shall be provided, including the size of water mains for fire hydrants and sprinkler systems.

The project will connect to Artesian Water distribution system that is currently located along the frontage of this property.

#### Fire Protection Features:

- All structures over 10,000 sq. ft. aggregate will require automatic sprinkler protection installed.
- Buildings greater than 10,000 sq. ft. 3-stories or more, over 35 feet, or classified as High Hazard, are required to meet fire lane marking requirements
- Show Fire Department Connection location (Must be within 300 feet of fire hydrant), and detail as shown in the DSFPR.
- Show Fire Lanes and Sign Detail as shown in DSFPR

#### Accessibility

- All premises, which the fire department may be called upon to protect in case of fire, and
  which are not readily accessible from public roads, shall be provided with suitable gates
  and access roads, and fire lanes so that all buildings on the premises are accessible to fire
  apparatus.
- The use of speed bumps or other methods of traffic speed reduction must be in accordance with Department of Transportation requirements.
- The local Fire Chief, prior to any submission to our Agency, shall approve in writing the use of gates that limit fire department access into and out of the property.

#### Gas Piping and System Information:

• Provide type of fuel proposed, and show locations of bulk containers on plan.

#### Required Notes:

- Provide a note on the final plans submitted for review to read "All fire lanes, fire hydrants, and fire department connections shall be marked in accordance with the Delaware State Fire Prevention Regulations"
- Proposed Use
- Alpha or Numerical Labels for each building/unit for sites with multiple buildings/units
- Square footage of each structure (Total of all Floors)
- National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) Construction Type
- Maximum Height of Buildings (including number of stories)
- Note indicating if building is to be sprinklered
- Name of Water Provider
- Letter from Water Provider approving the system layout
- Provide Lock Box Note (as detailed in DSFPR) if Building is to be sprinklered
- Provide Road Names, even for County Roads

## **Recommendations/Additional Information**

This section includes a list of site specific suggestions that are intended to enhance the project. These suggestions have been generated by the State Agencies based on their expertise and subject area knowledge. **These suggestions do not represent State code requirements.** They are offered here in order to provide proactive ideas to help the applicant enhance the site design, and it is hoped (**but in no way required**) that the applicant will open a dialogue with the relevant agencies to discuss how the suggestions can benefit the project.

#### **Department of Transportation – Contact Bill Brockenbrough 760-2109**

• DelDOT is in the process of converting the Georgetown to Lewes rail line to a bicycle and pedestrian trail. Construction is complete from Lewes to Log Cabin Hill Road. A future phase of construction would route the trail along the south edge of the subject development. If the developer would like to have direct access to the trail, DelDOT is willing to include it in their construction plans and build the access at State expense as part of the trail construction. If trail access would be of interest, DelDOT asks that the developer work with DelDOT's Bicycle and Pedestrian Coordinator, Mr. Anthony Aglio, to determine a mutually agreeable location. Mr. Aglio can be reached at (302) 760-2509 or Anthony.Aglio@Delaware.gov.

The applicant is working with DelDOT's Bicycle and Pedestrian Coordinator to have direct access to the trail.

 Please be advised that the Standard General Notes have been updated and posted to the DelDOT website. Please begin using the new version and look for the revision date of March 21, 2019. The notes can be found at <a href="https://www.deldot.gov/Business/subdivisions/">https://www.deldot.gov/Business/subdivisions/</a>

#### Noted

#### <u>Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control – Contact Michael</u> Tholstrup 735-3352

#### **Forest Preservation**

• DNREC mapping indicates presence of forested wetlands which encompass a large portion of the subject parcel.

A wetland delineation has been completed for the property and no disturbance to the wetlands will occur.

#### Recommendations:

• The site plan should be designed to allow for the preservation of as much of this wooded area as feasible, with special consideration for preservation given to large, mature trees.

Leaving a forest intact is usually more beneficial to the existing wildlife and is preferred to clearing

Noted

- To reduce impacts to nesting birds and other wildlife species that utilize forests for breeding, we recommend that clearing not occur April 1st to July 31st.
- Contact the Division of Fish and Wildlife for assistance in identifying, preserving, and managing the mature forest on-site. For technical assistance or to schedule a site visit please contact Katie Kadlubar, Kathryn.Kadlubar@delaware.gov.

#### **Water Quality**

- DNREC mapping indicates presence of wetlands and hydric soils (Hurlock) which encompass a large portion of the subject parcel.
- Increased impervious cover from development and removal of forest cover will increase the potential for future flooding concerns.

#### Recommendations:

- Consider using pervious pavement/pavers in parking areas to help minimize impervious cover.
- To protect the function and integrity of wetlands, a minimum 100 foot buffer should be left intact around the perimeter.
- Avoid disturbance and filling of wetlands.

Recommendations will be taken under advisement.

#### **Delaware State Fire Marshall's Office – Contact Duane Fox 259-7037**

 Preliminary meetings with fire protection specialists are encouraged prior to formal submittal. Please call for appointment. Applications and brochures can be downloaded from our website: <a href="www.statefiremarshal.delaware.gov">www.statefiremarshal.delaware.gov</a>, technical services link, plan review, applications or brochures.

#### Will comply

#### <u>Delaware Area Rapid Transit (DART) – Contact: Jared Kauffman 576-6062</u>

• A shelter pad is needed. DART can specify a type as there is no sketch of the pedestrian pathway.

#### A shelter pad is being planned for the project.

• Sidewalk is needed to the stop across the street (stop ID 3390) with pedestrian pathway to stop ID 3390. Stop ID 3390 should be upgraded to a Type 2 12'x8' shelter pad.

#### Sussex County - Contact Rob Davis 302-855-7820

• Sussex County does not expect to provide sanitary sewer service within the area proposed for commercial development. The Sussex County Engineering Department recommends the project receive wastewater service from a public utility as proposed.

Artesian has both water and sewer in front of the property that serves adjacent commercial properties as well extends to area residential communities. Private utility companies are considered a viable option for water and wastewater treatment in areas where County or municipal services are non-existent or unplanned. Artesian Wastewater Management, Inc. mainly provide water and sewer services for developments that are along Route 9 east of Georgetown CPCN's will be executed for both water and sewer for the property.

Following receipt of this letter and upon filing of an application with the local jurisdiction, the applicant shall provide to the local jurisdiction and the Office of State Planning Coordination a written response to comments received as a result of the pre-application process, noting whether comments were incorporated into the project design or not and the reason therefore.

Thank you for the opportunity to review this project. If you have any questions, please contact me at 302-739-3090.

Sincerely, PENNONI

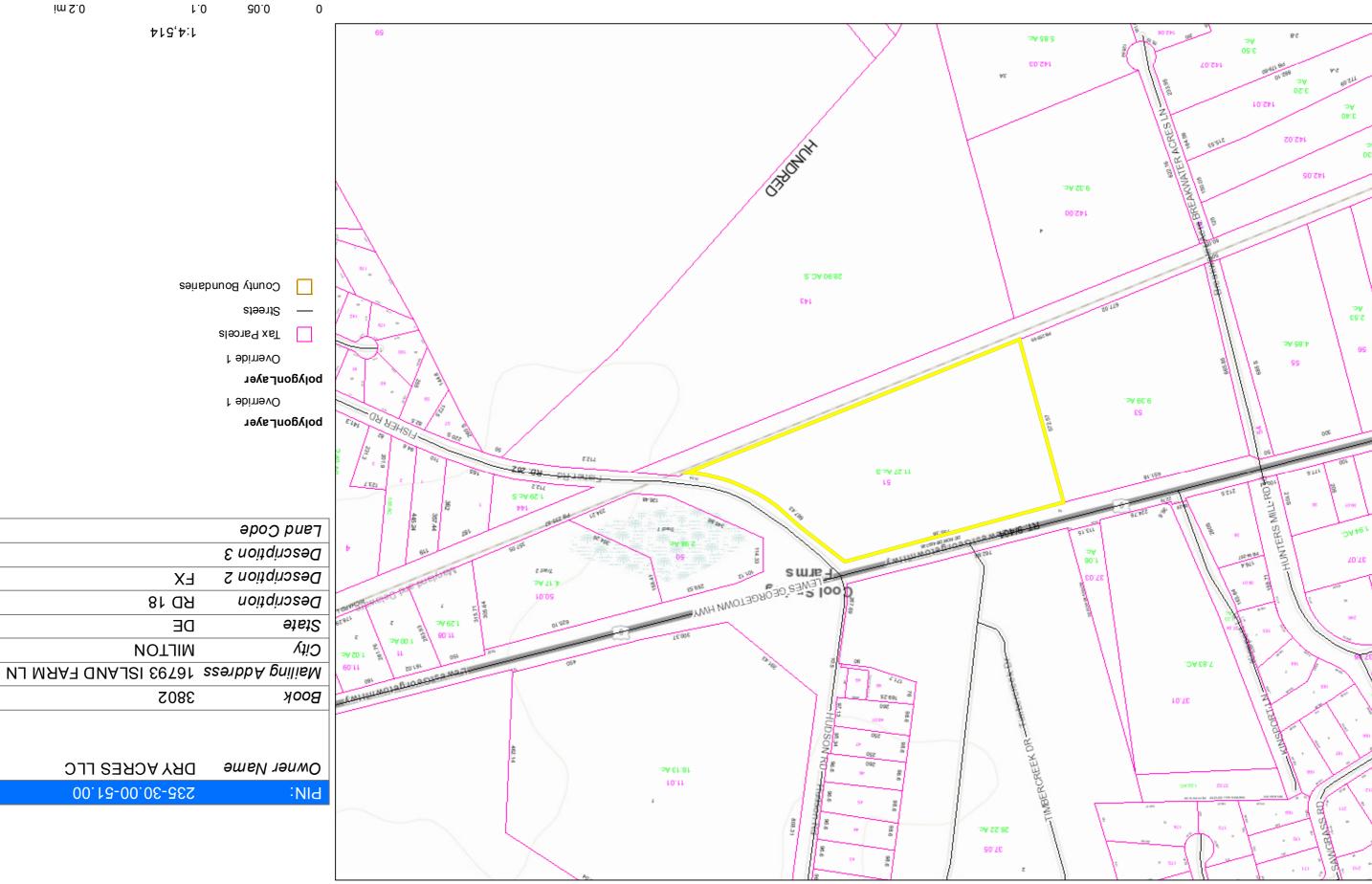
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Mark H. Davidson, VP

Director, Office of State Planning Coordination

Principal Land Planner

CC: Sussex County P&Z
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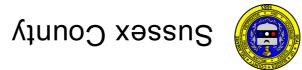


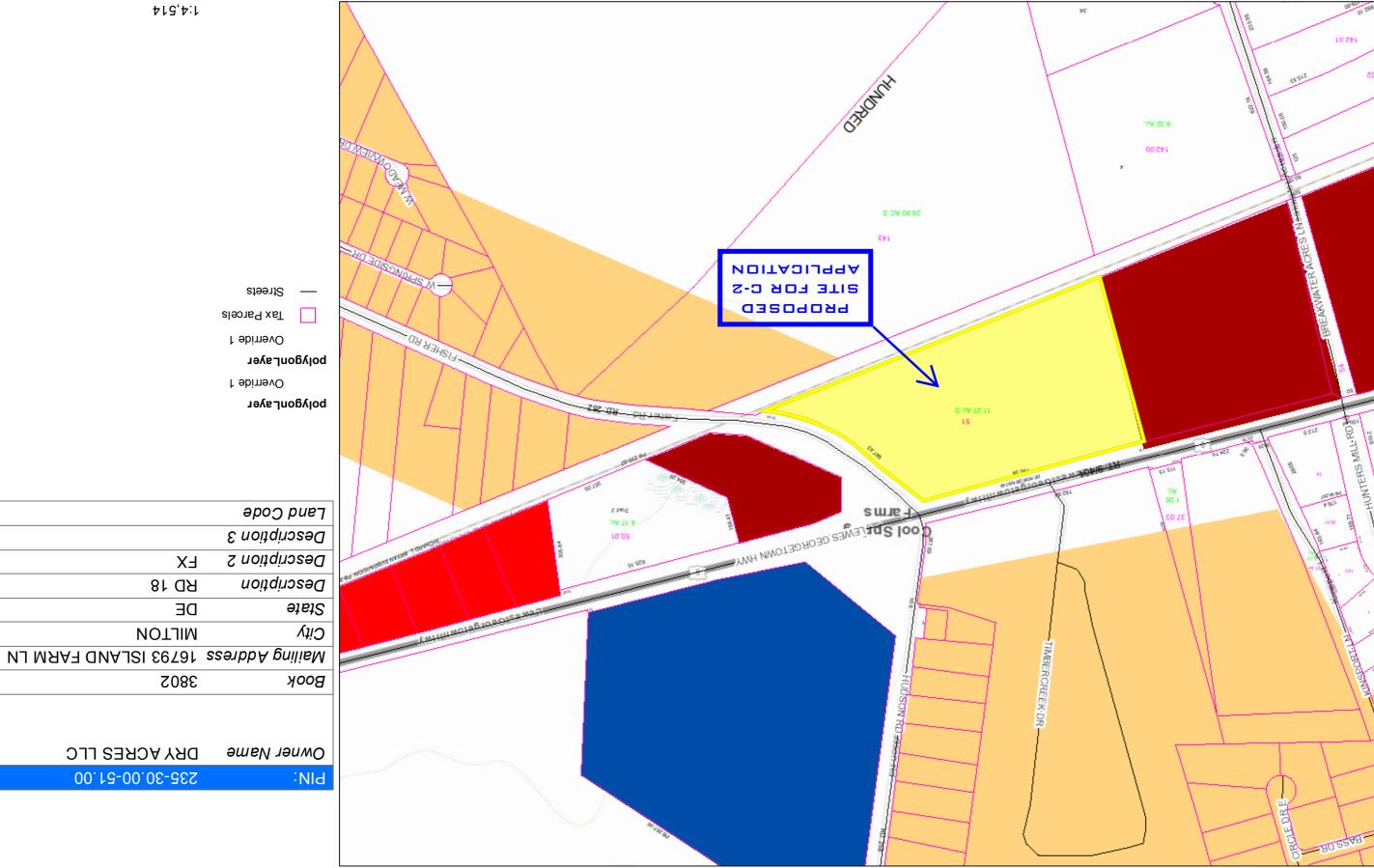
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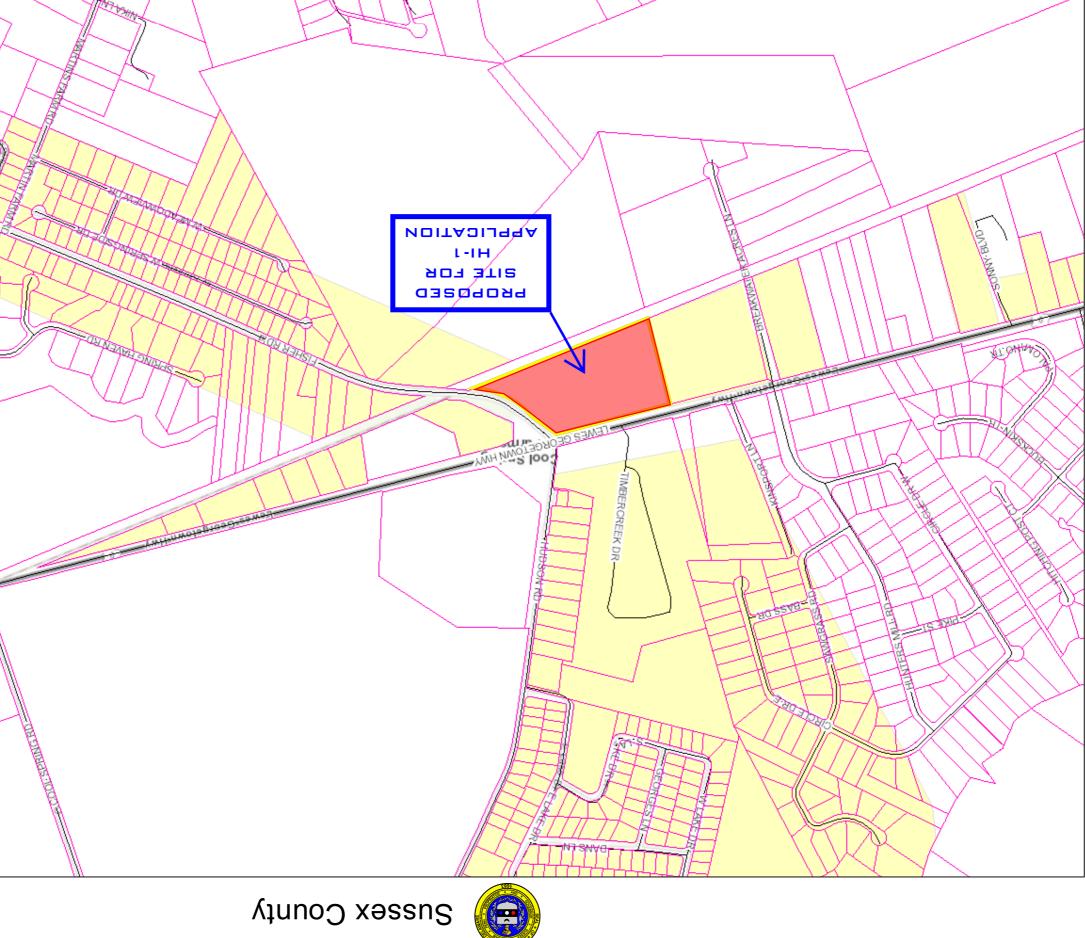
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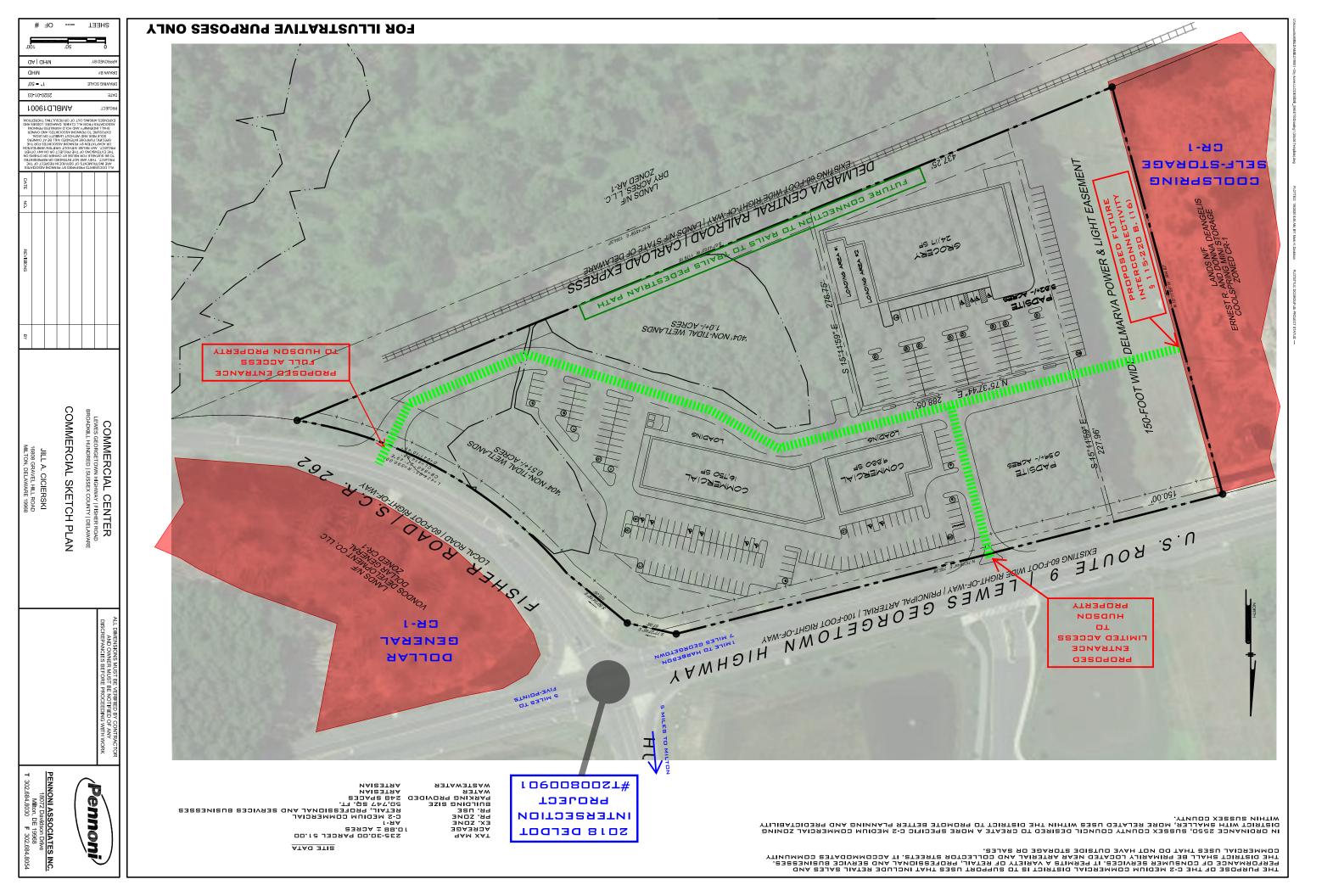
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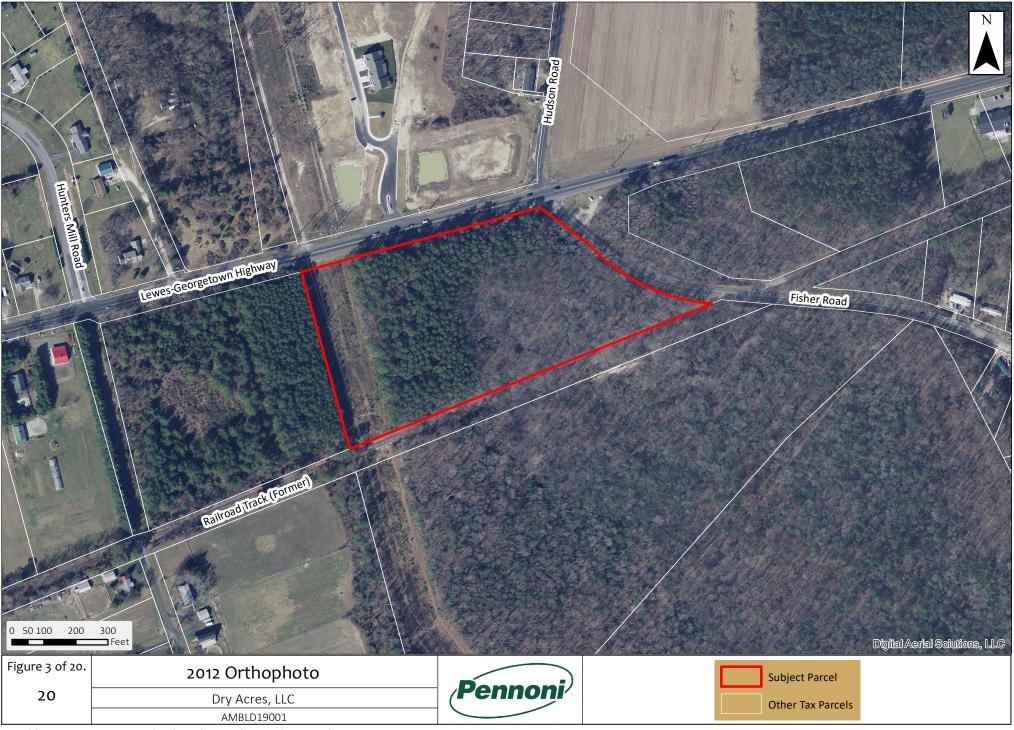
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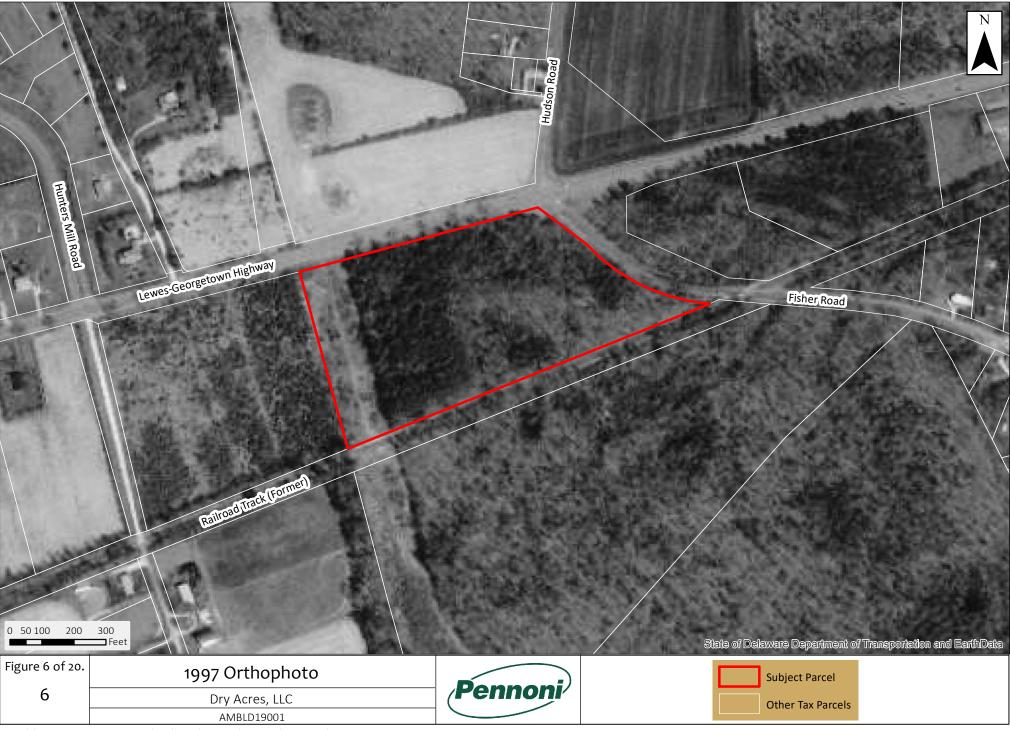








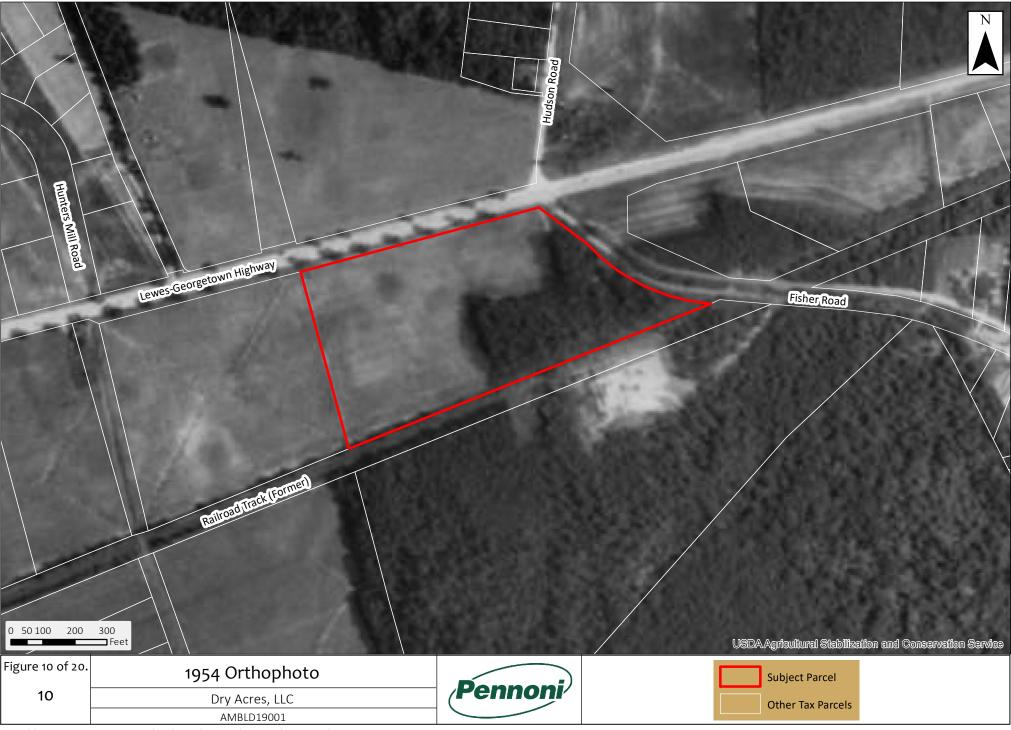




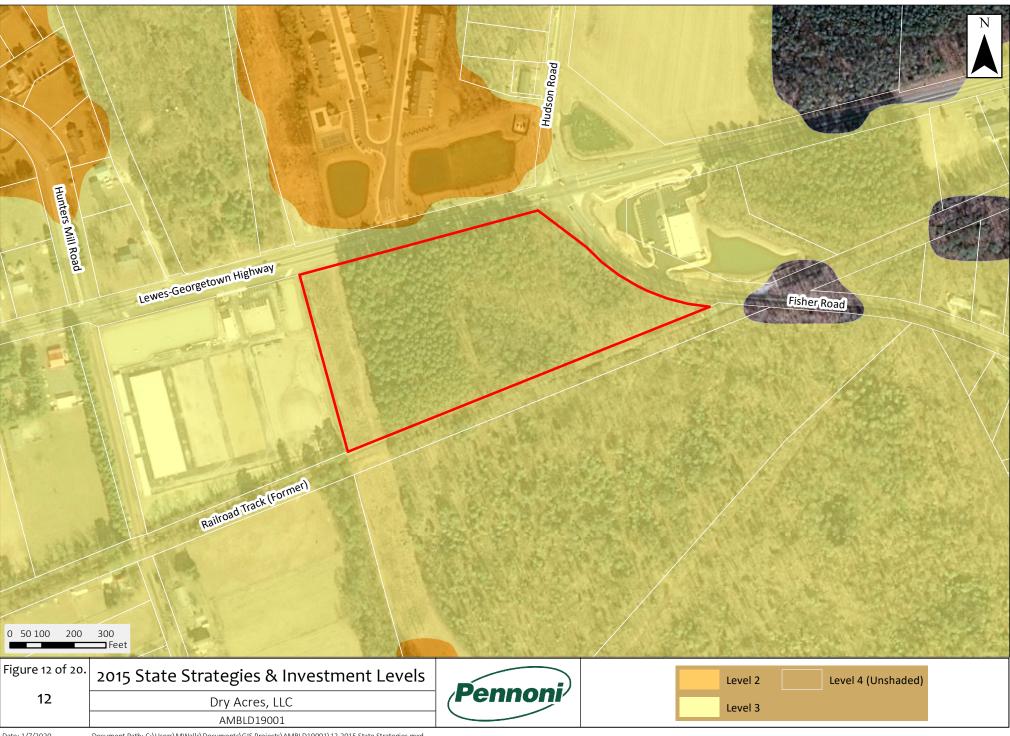


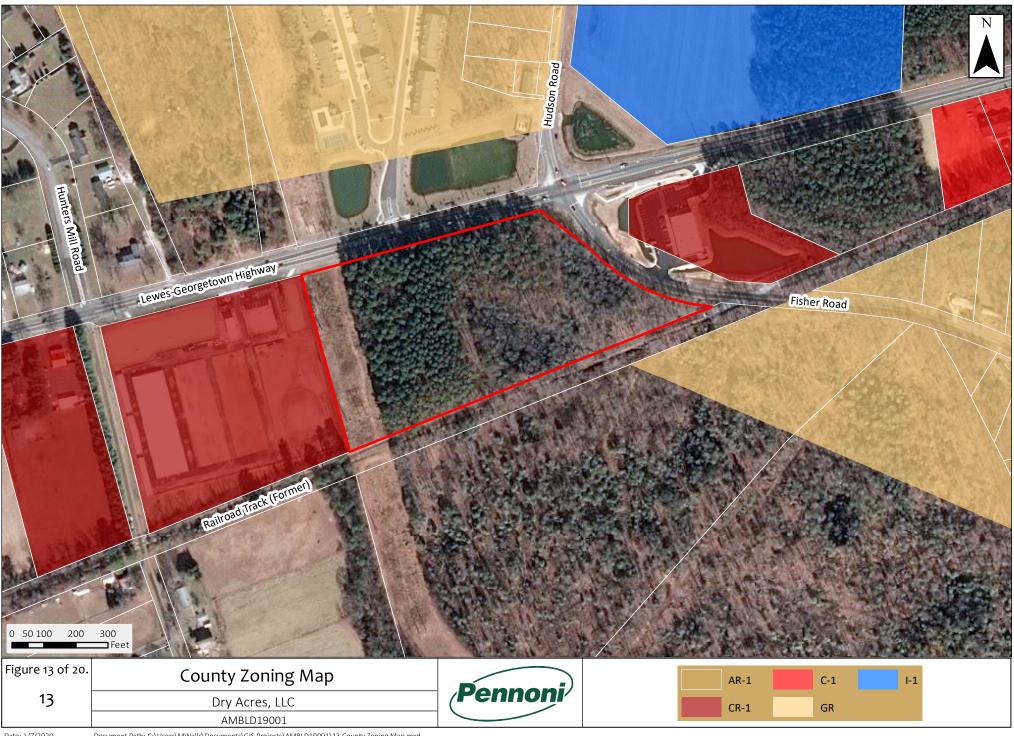


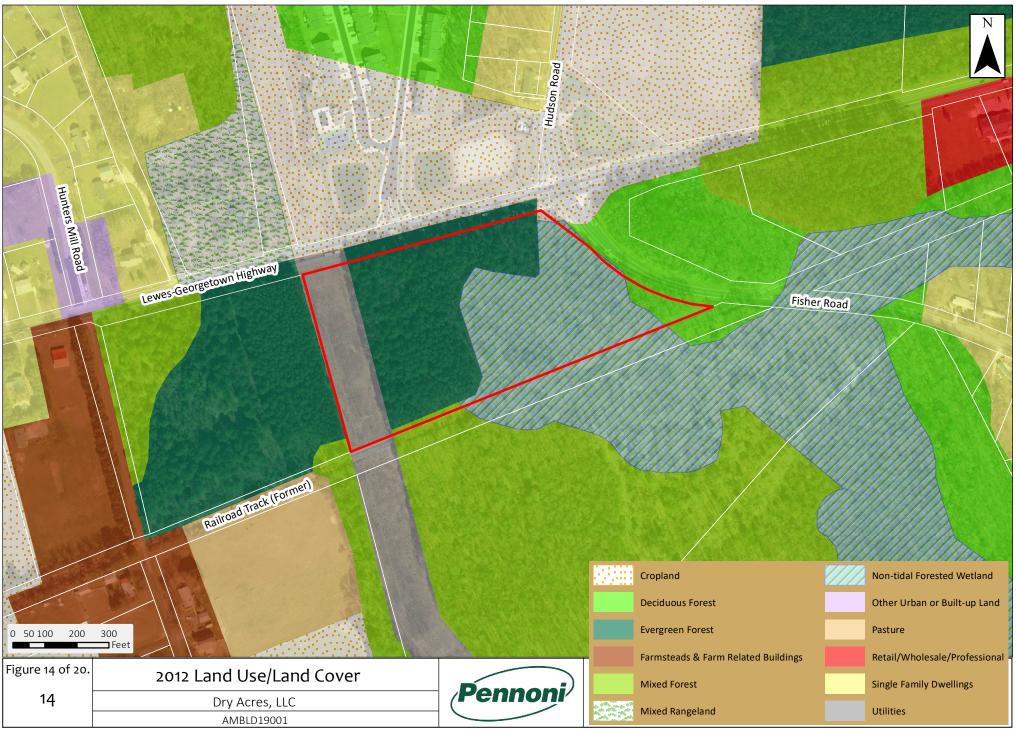


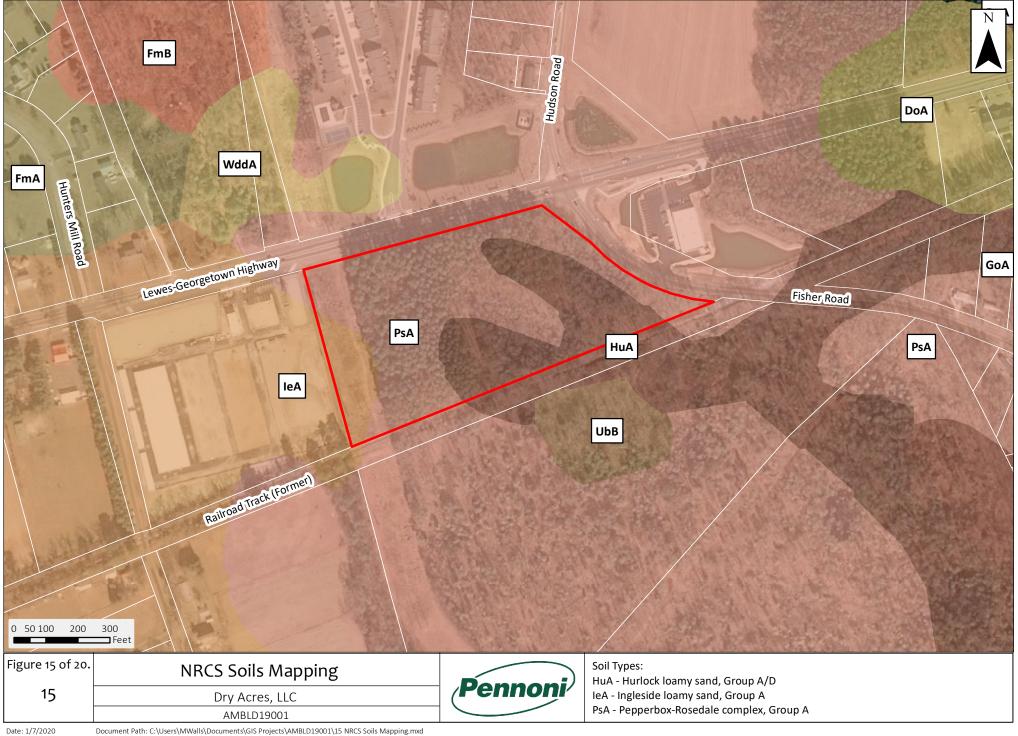


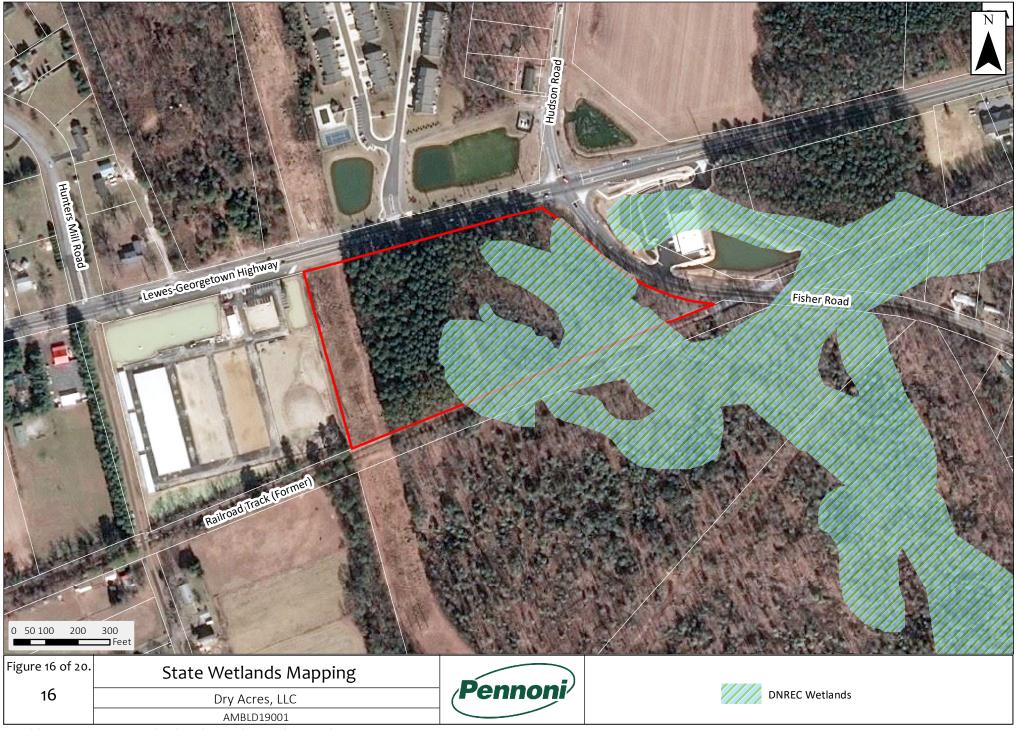


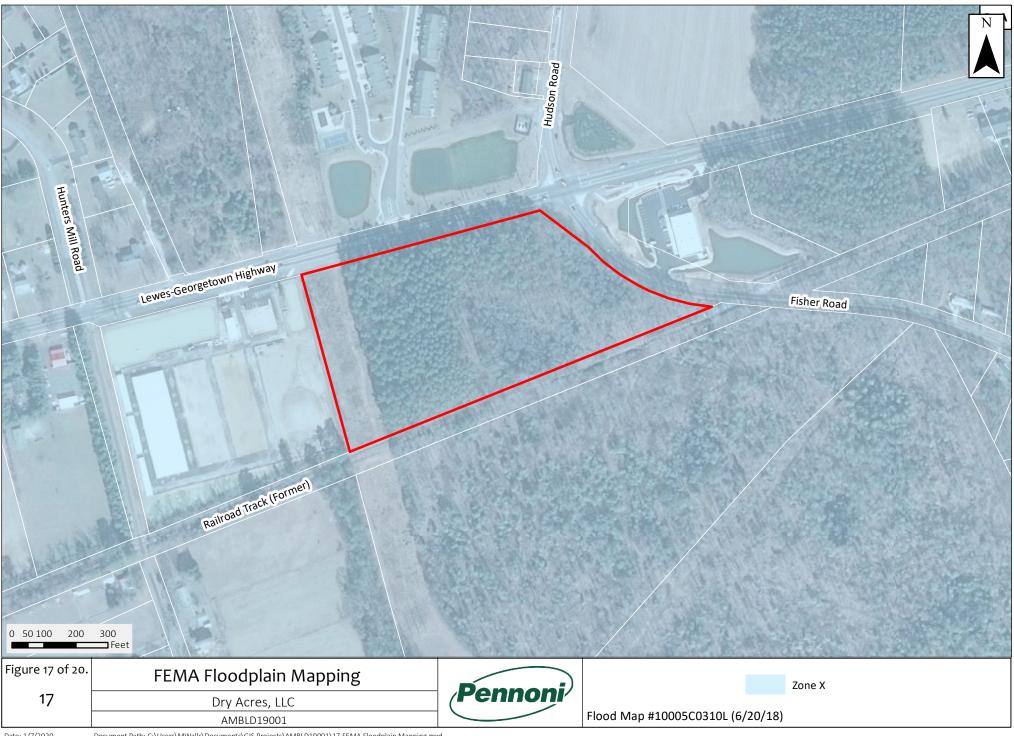


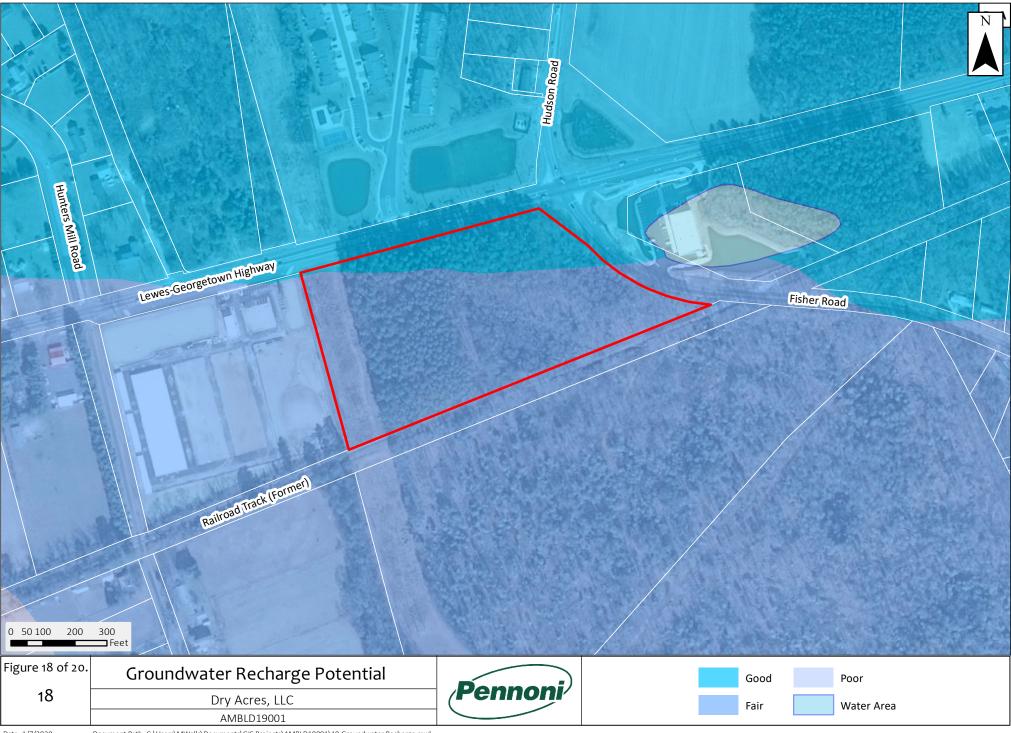


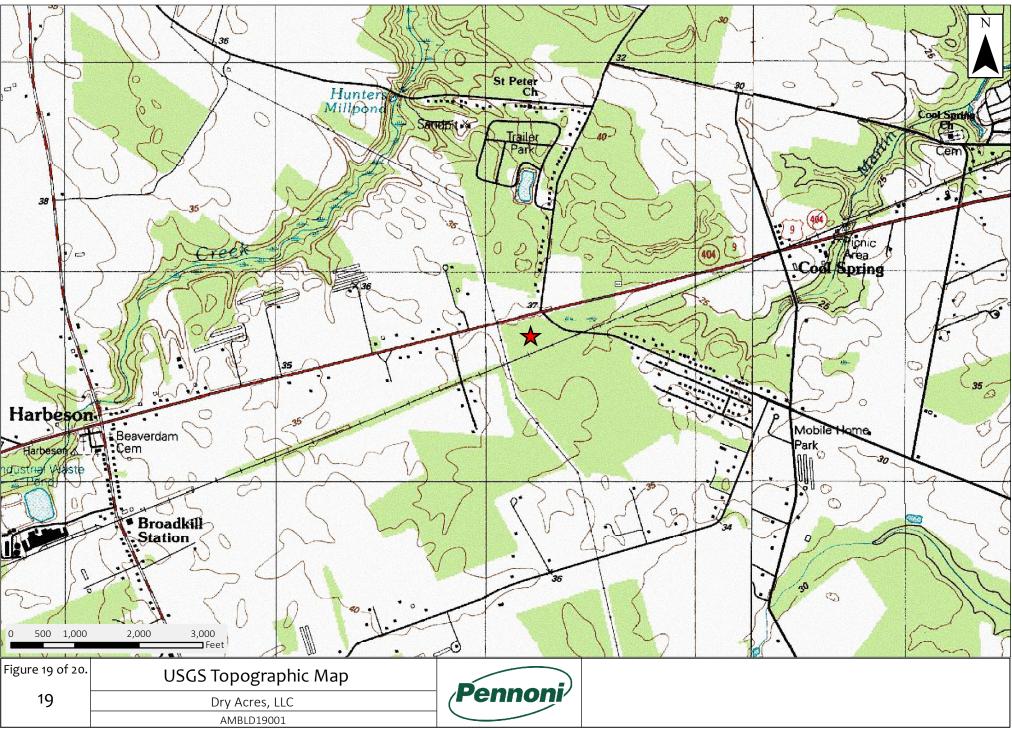


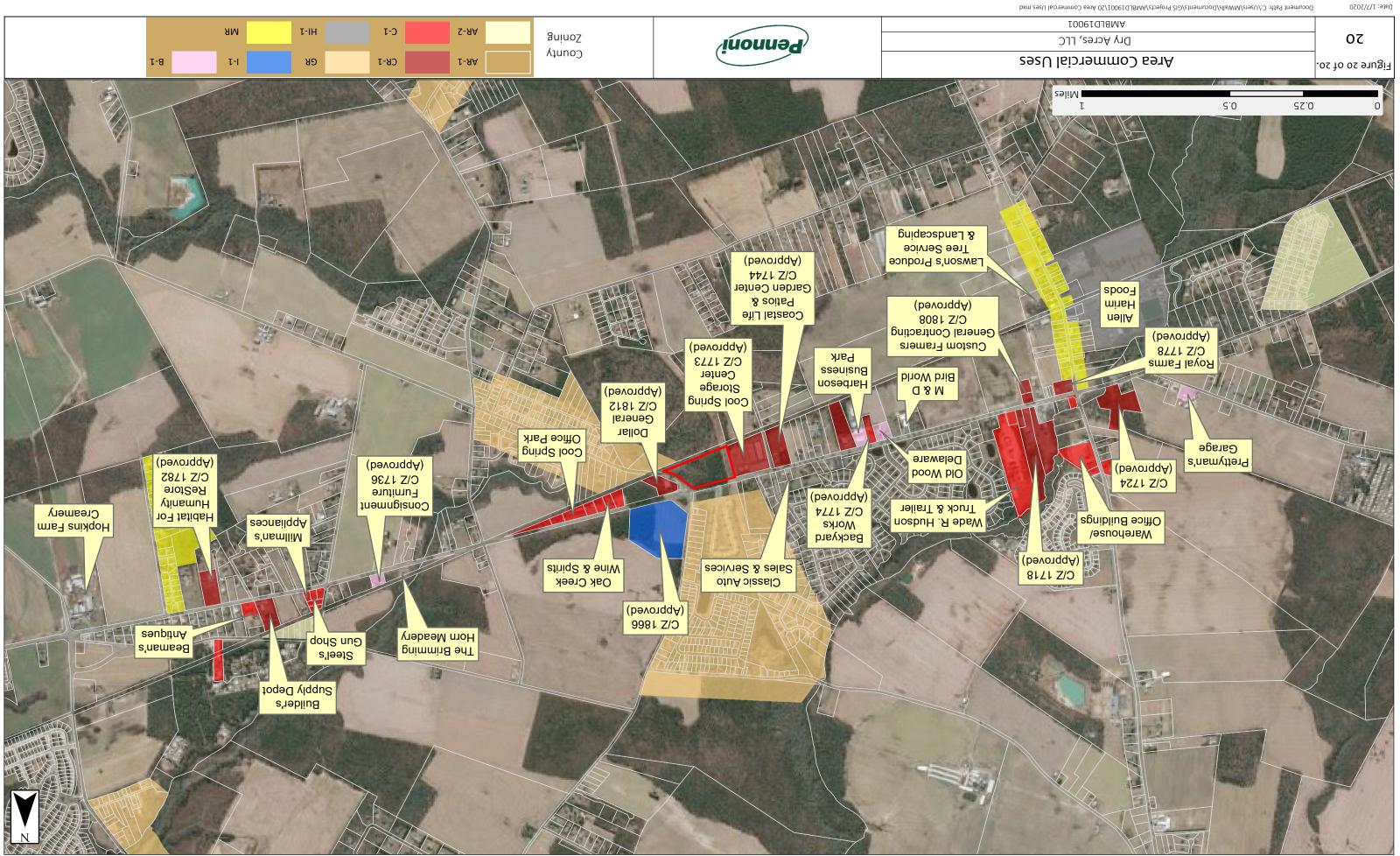








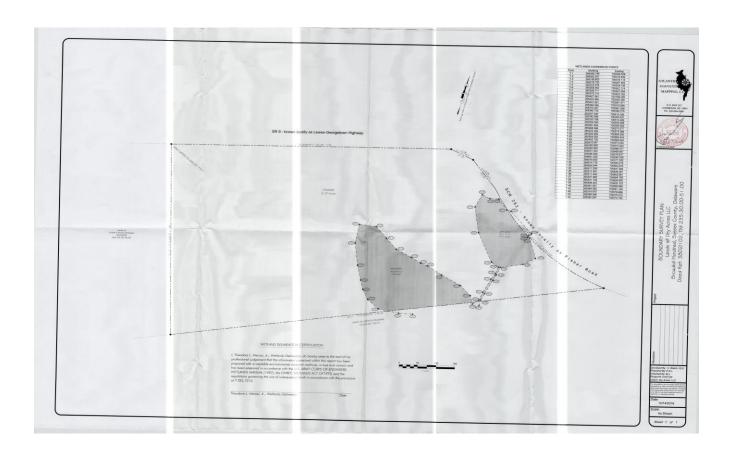




# JILL A. CICIERSKI | PLAZA NINE DRY ACRES, LLC CHANGE OF ZONE #1904

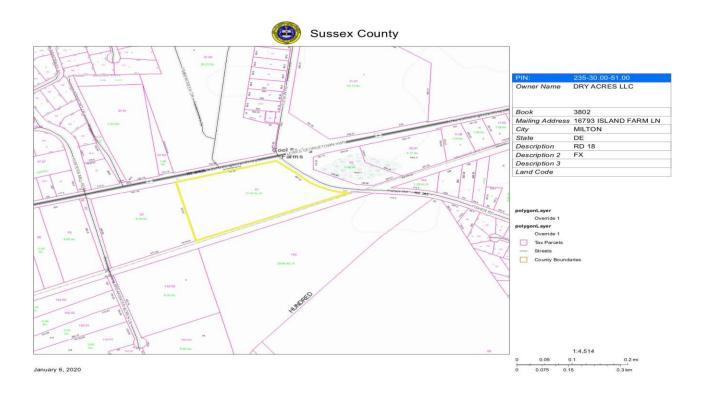
## PROPOSED FINDINGS OF FACT

1. This is an application to grant a rezoning of a portion of lands in a AR-1 Agricultural Residential District located on 10.88 acres, more or less in the Broadkill Hundred located on the south side of Lewes Georgetown Highway | U.S. Route 9 and west side of Fisher Road | Sussex County Route 262 to C-2, Medium Commercial District.



2. The property is under contract to be purchased by Jill C. Cicierski and will be assigned the name Plaza Nine.

3. The property is identified on the tax maps of the Sussex County Department of Finance as Tax Map No. 235-30.00 Parcel 51.00.

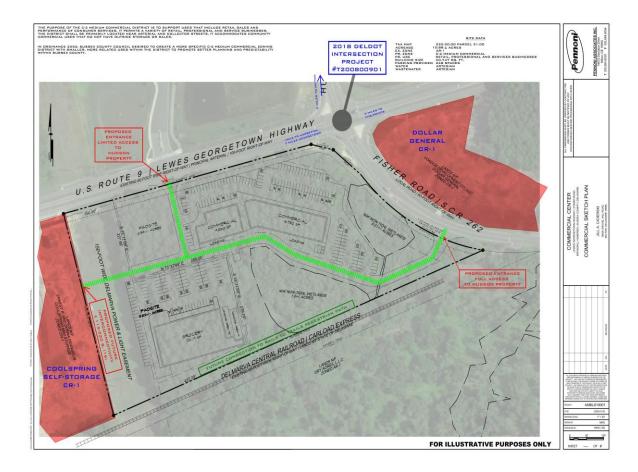


- 4. The properties are bordered on:
  - a. North US Route 9 a Principal Arterial; Shoreview Woods Development (96-Multi-Family Units);
  - b. South by Maryland Delaware Railroad (Future Rails to Trails Path) and other lands owned by Dry Acres, LLC – Zoned AR-1 and GR;
  - c. West with existing commercial uses such Coolspring Mini-Storage;
  - d. East with existing commercial uses such as Dollar General.

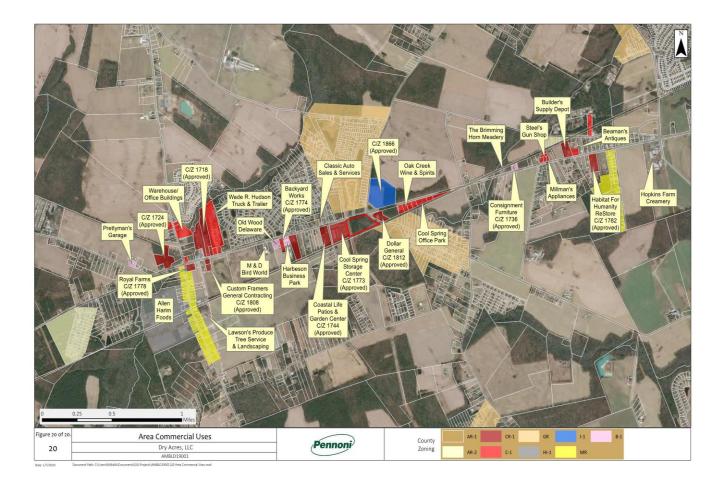


- 5. In Ordinance 2550, Sussex County Council desired to create a more specific C-2 Medium Commercial zoning district with smaller, more related uses within the District to promote better planning and predictability within Sussex County.
- 6. The purpose of the C-2 Medium Commercial District is to support uses that include retail sales and performance of consumer services. It permits a variety of retail, professional and service businesses. The district shall be primarily located near arterial and collector streets. It accommodates community commercial uses that do not have outside storage or sales.

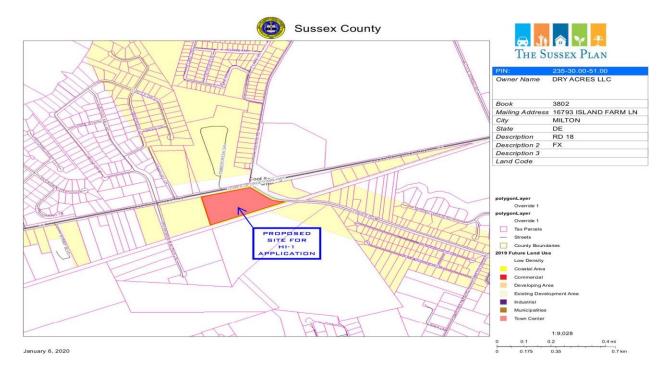
7. The granting of this application for the C-2 commercial rezoning will allow Ms. Cicierski to create a shopping plaza constructed around a community retail plaza that will provide for the sale of convenience goods and personal services for the day-to-day living needs of nearby existing and future communities.



8. The proposed rezoning to C-2 for this property is in the vicinity of other commercial zoned property and uses and will not diminish or impair property values within the neighborhood; will not create a public nuisance; or result in an increase in public expenditures.



9. In the 2019 Sussex County Comprehensive Plan – the area for the proposed rezoning for this property is identified to be in a Low-Density and is currently surrounded by Existing Developing Areas.



The Sussex Plan suggests that each application should be reviewed on its own merit and does not have a negative impact on the surrounding area or the county in general. Some of the stated goals within the plan for new commercial zoning is to:

- a. Promote growth and development in areas where capital facilities and infrastructure are already available and adequate to support the growth [Artesian has both water and sewer in front of the property that serves adjacent commercial properties as well extends to area residential communities];
- b. Promote commercial development in designated commercial, office, and industrial areas in a scale/intensity/distance appropriate to adjacent residential neighborhoods [Previously stated, Ms. Cicierski wants to provide a commercial development that is part of the community and provides for goods

- and services that are part of the community in scale. Additionally, the nearest residential development (Shoreview Woods Development) which is across the road as well as the Coolspring Developments further east on fisher Road will benefit in that the subject property is not adjacent to their development but close enough to serve the residences with future services without them having to travel farther distances];
- c. Engage in planning that considers the efficient location of public services and infrastructure while establishing future public sewer service areas that will help preserve open space by promoting orderly growth rather than unplanned sprawl [this property is located along US Route 9 with access to both Artesian water and sanitary sewer as well as access to a major roadway systems that's east and west to Lewes and Georgetown. This property in this location with a commercial zoning, will prohibit any unplanned sprawl that the Comprehensive Plan is discouraging];
- d. Coordinate with DelDOT on road improvements and other transportation projects - [the property owners have already worked with DelDOT in the dedication of additional right-of-way along US RT 9 and Fisher Road that was part of the intersection improvements that was constructed back in 2018. The Developers will work with DelDOT to allow for a shared cross access easement within the property that will promote interconnection to adjacent properties. Although a TIS was not required as a part of this application, the Developers will have to provide future Transportation Improvements to the adjacent roadways during the future planning of the commercial development. In addition, future connection to the rails to trails pedestrian path along the existing railroad tracks along the rear of the property will be coordinated with DelDOT. DART Bus Shelter will be required for this project. Since US 9 is a principal arterial and an important freight corridor, setbacks will be increased to allow for future capacity in the form of additional right-of-way dedication; permanent easements and additional stormwater management setbacks. Intersections and commercial entrances will be consolidated to reduce access

points. Service roads through the properties will link local residents to commercial parking lots at the rear of the buildings. This would increase the aesthetic benefits to the community].

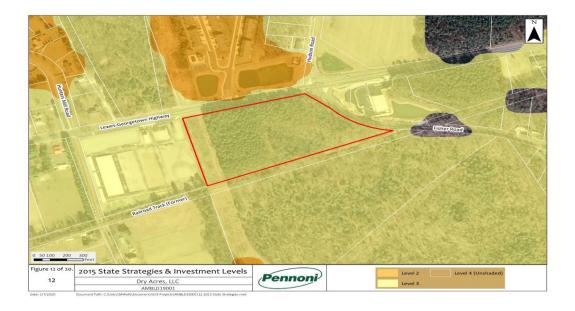
The focus of retail and office uses in Low Density Areas should be providing convenience goods and services to nearby residents which is what is being proposed for these properties. Commercial uses may be appropriate depending on surrounding uses. The surrounding uses are primarily commercial on the south side of US Route 9 with residential homes on the north side.

Consistent with the Comprehensive Plan's Future Land Use Chapter the County has considered the development along US 9 as a business corridor with a mix of residential and commercial uses that provide local residents with access to services they need. Local services would reduce travel to SR 1 for basic needs. Furthermore, the Sussex Plan promotes the US 9 vision to be tied to efforts to make the corridor multi-modal. Currently, the Georgetown to Lewes Rail Trail is being constructed by DelDOT in phases. Once completed, the trail will provide a pedestrian and bicycle path that is separated from car traffic. The trail will serve as both a recreational asset and a transportation option for commuters. Neighborhoods and businesses along the trail could see economic benefits from connecting to it. The plan presented provides for multi-modal access to RT 9 and Fisher Road as well as the existing railway at the rear of the property where the rail trail is being proposed.

Since the comprehensive plan is a guide for the future use of land, the County's official zoning map must be consistent with the uses and intensities of uses provided for in the Future Land Use Plan. Table 4.5-2 is provided below to provide a tool for assisting with determining which zoning districts are applicable to each future land use category.

Table 4.5-2 Zoning Districts Applicable to Future Land Use Categories			
FUTURE LAND USE PLAN CATEGORY	APPLICABLE ZONING DISTRICT		
RURAL AREAS			
	Agricultural Residential District (AR-1)		
	Business Community District (B-2)		
Law Danaitu	Medium Commercial District (C-2)		
Low Density	Marine District (M)		
	Institutional District (I-1)		
	New Zoning Districts		

10. The 2015 Strategies for State Policies and Spending Map identifies the area as Investment Level 3. This area is intermingled within a fast-growing area within the county and is adjacent to Level 2 areas. The priorities in the Level 3 Areas are for DelDOT to focus on regional movements between towns and other population centers. Developers and property owners will make local roadway improvements as development occurs. All infrastructure needs will be funded by the Developer. Additional public infrastructure that will benefit the community, such as, road improvements and access improvements will be paid for by the Developer. When discussing the application with the Office of State Planning Coordination (OSPC) - The OSPC works to improve the coordination and effectiveness of land-use decisions made by state, county, and municipal governments. Though state policies can support growth in these areas, the state views these areas more in a long-term basis. It is here that the State will encourage the likes of master planning for the purpose of anticipating growth. The resources needed for applications such as this for rezoning to commercial are in place and available to the project.



11. Wetlands on the property have been delineated and will not be disturbed; the property is located in a Flood Zone X Unshaded; there are no historical or natural features on the property; stormwater will be onsite and use Best Management Practices for handling stormwater runoff; the properties are not in any Groundwater Protection Zones;

Private utility companies are considered a viable option for water and wastewater treatment in areas where County or municipal services are non-existent or unplanned. Artesian Wastewater Management, Inc. mainly provide water and sewer services for developments that are along Route 9 east of Georgetown CPCN's will be executed for both water and sewer for the property.

Delmarva Power & Light Company has a 150-foot wide utility easement through the subject project that connects to major sub-station to the north of this property. These electric services will provide sufficient energy to this property, the area and beyond. These properties are fortunate to have a natural gas transmission pipeline located along the property. It is owned and operated by Eastern Shore Natural Gas Company, a subsidiary of Chesapeake Utilities (Chesapeake).

Verizon and Comcast are the main telecommunication providers operating in this service area.

All of these utilities ensure quality growth of development by the planning and developing of infrastructure and services in the County to complement State and local planning efforts with adequate water, sewer, electricity, natural gas, and fiber optic infrastructure to the property.

12. The proposed rezoning meets the general purpose of the Zoning Ordinance being located in an appropriate location meeting the purpose of this district and the future land use plans, strategies and objectives of the comprehensive plan that promotes growth and development through community design, mobility, utilities, transportation and economic development in an area where a general mixture of commercial and service activity now exists, which is essential and desirable for the general convenience, orderly growth, prosperity and welfare of the County.

JAMIE WHITEHOUSE, AICP DIRECTOR OF PLANNING & ZONING (302) 855-7878 T (302) 854-5079 F jamie.whitehouse@sussexcountyde.gov





# Memorandum

To: Sussex County Planning Commission Members

From: Jamie Whitehouse, Director, Department of Planning & Zoning; Lauren DeVore, Planner III; Jenny Norwood, Planner I: Christin Headley, Planner I; Nicholas Torrance, Planner I and Chase Philips, Planner I

CC: Vince Robertson, Assistant County Attorney

Date: March 19, 2020

RE: Other Business for March 26, 2020 Planning Commission Meeting

This memo is to provide background for the Planning Commission to consider as a part of the Other Business to be reviewed during the March 26, 2020 Planning Commission meeting.

#### WMF Powersports LLC (S-20-07)

BM

Revised Preliminary Site Plan

This is a Revised Preliminary Site Plan for the proposed 2,200 square foot pole building for boat repairs and other site improvements on a 0.471 acre +/- parcel. The applicant is seeking relief from the off-street parking requirements and from interconnectivity for commercial uses. The site is located at 32665 Oak Orchard Rd. The Revised Preliminary Site Plan otherwise complies with the Sussex County Zoning Code. Tax Parcel: 234-34.08-54.00. Zoning: C-1 (General Commercial Zoning District) and GR (General Residential Zoning District). Staff is awaiting agency approvals.

#### Generations Welding (S-20-08)

KH

Preliminary Site Plan

This is a Preliminary Site Plan for the proposed 2,800 square foot commercial welding fabrication shop and other site improvements for Generations Welding & Contracting, LLC on a 1.605 acre +/-parcel located at 14716 Laurel Rd. Conditional Use 2178 was approved by the Planning and Zoning Commission at their June 27, 2019 and approved by the Sussex County Council on July 16, 2019. The Preliminary Site Plan complies with the Sussex County Zoning Code. Tax Parcel: 232-19.00-30.00. Zoning: AR-1 (Agricultural Residential Zoning District). Staff is awaiting agency approvals.

#### Baker Petroleum - Lewes Exxon

KS

Preliminary Site Plan

This is a Preliminary Site Plan for site improvements at the existing Lewes Exxon location. Site improvements include a proposed 3,748 square foot retail store, 29 new parking spaces, changes to ingress and egress to the site, and the demolition of an existing building. The site is located at the corner of Coastal Highway (State Route 1) and Wescoats Road with entrances from both streets. The Preliminary Site Plan complies with the Sussex County Zoning Code. Tax Parcel: 334-6.00-35.00. Zoning District: C-1 (General Commercial). Staff are awaiting agency approvals.

#### Lands of The Dale Farm, LLC

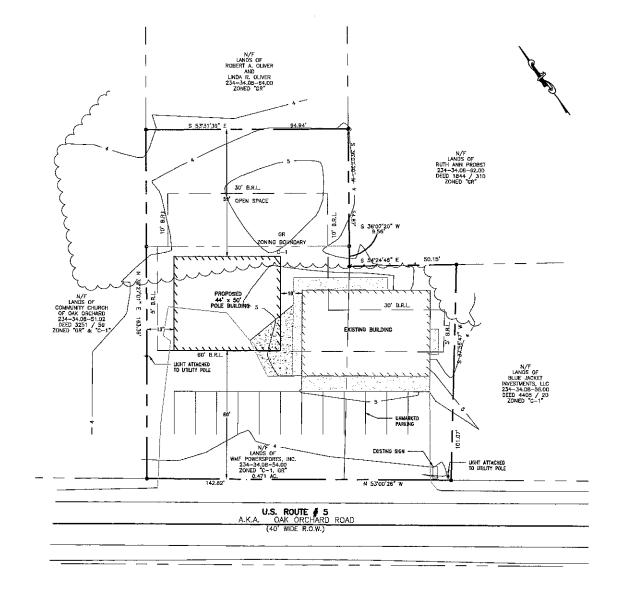
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Minor Subdivision off existing easement



Planning & Zoning Commission Other Business Memo for 03.26.2020 Page | 2

This is a concept plan for a proposed minor subdivision off an existing easement. The proposed plan is to create one (1) parcel measuring approximately 1.8 +/- acres. A Preliminary Minor Subdivision plan will be reviewed by staff for compliance with the Sussex County Subdivision Code prior to the approval of any Final Subdivision Plan. The subdivision is located off of Adams Rd. (S.C.R. 583) in Bridgeville, Delaware. Tax Parcel: 530-16.00-13.00. Zoning: AR-1 (Agricultural Residential Zoning District). Staff is awaiting agency approvals.



#### **DATA COLUMN**

234-34.0B-54.00 TAX WAP ID:

DATUM: VERTICAL: HORIZONTAL: NAVO B8 NAD B3 (DE STATE PLANE)

ROAD, WILLSBORG, DE 19966 SITE ADDRESS: 32665 OAK ORCHARD LAND USE Existing:

<u>C-1</u> <u>GR</u> KINIMUM REQUIREMENTS 50 FT. 40 FT. 5 FT. 10 FT. 5 FT. 10 FT.

MAXIMUM REDURÉMENTS BUILDING HEIGHT: 42 FT. DISTURBED AREA 5,657 SQ.FT. OPEN\_SPACE

PARKING CALCILATION
1 PER SIX SUST. OF FIDOR AREA PLIS 1 PER EMPLOYEE DURING PEAK PERIOD
2,200 SOLT. /500 = 4 SPACES
12 SPACES 12 SPACES
16 TOTAL REQUIRED SPACES

STATE STRATEGIES MAP: INVESTMENT LEVEL 3

THIS PROPERTY IS LOCATED 9,853'± TO THE SOUTH OF THE INTERSECTION OF OAK ORCHARD ROAD AND JOHN J. WILLIAMS HIGHWAY.

OAK ORCHARD ROAD POSTED SPEED LIMIT: 40 M.P.H.

OWNER/DEVELOPER
WMF POWERSPORTS, INC.
WILLIAM FORENSK!
27037 JOHN J. WILLIAMS HWY.
MILLSBORG, DE 19966

#### **LEGEND**

#### **NOTES**

## **OWNER'S STATEMENT**

ENGINEER'S STATEMENT

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WMF POWERSPORTS, INC. WILLIAM FORENSKI 27037 JOHN J. WILLIAMS HWY. MILLSBORD, DE 19956

Dote: FEBRUARY, 2020

WMF WATERCRAFT AND MARINE LEWES AND REHOBOTH HUNDRED SUSSEX COUNTY, DELAWARE

SURVEYORS
SURVEY, WATUAN (10) MA-001
RETRIN, DEJANKE (202) 22-141
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Scale: 1" = 20' ВЈМ Proj.No.: 2491A003



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March 12, 2020

Sussex County Planning and Zoning 2 The Circle Georgetown, DE 19947

Attn: Chairman Wheatley and Members of the Commission

RE: WMF Powersports

Interconnectivity Relief DBF # 2491A003.B01

Dear Chairman Wheatley and Members of the Commission:

On behalf of our client, WMF Powersports, Inc., we are respectfully requesting relief from interconnectivity with Tax Parcel 234-34.08-51.02 and 234-34.08-56.00 as required per §115-220 B(16) for the following reasons:

- 1. Tax Parcel 2-34-34.08-51.02 is a narrow width (20' wide) parcel.
- 2. Tax Parcel 2-34-34.08-56.00 is a lot used for residential purposes with the primary structure located approximately the same distance is the existing building on the applicant's parcel.
- 3. The location of the existing and proposed building on the applicant's parcel is approximately 50' from the right-of-way.
- 4. A cross access easement for interconnectivity would either need to be located adjacent to the existing building or located almost directly adjacent to the right-of-way line.
- 5. DelDOT may require additional right-of-way which would further preclude land available for interconnection.
- 6. The parcel size is less than half an acre.

For the reasons listed above we believe an interconnection is an exceptional practical difficulty for the applicant to provide.

Sussex County Planning March 12, 2020 Page 2 of 2

Should you have any questions or need additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me at (302) 424-1441, or via email at rwl@dbfinc.com.

Respectfully Submitted, Davis, Bowen & Friedel, INC.

Ring W. Lardner, P.E.

Principal



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Attn: Chairman Wheatley and Members of the Commission

RE: WMF Powersports

Parking Relief

DBF # 2491A003.B01

Dear Chairman Wheatley and Members of the Commission:

On behalf of our client, WMF Powersports, Inc., we are respectfully requesting relief from off street parking as required per§115-162 and allowed under §115-164 to reduce the required parking from 16 spaces to 12 spaces for the following reasons:

- 1. The parcel is used for Marine Vessel Repair and Maintenance. The Code is silent on this type of use and we used the parking rationale for Automobile service and repair garages.
- 2. The Applicant employs an average of six employees at this site.
- 3. Customers do not deliver or pick up their marine vessels or other items for repair and maintenance.
- 4. Should additional parking be required, the Applicant also owns the property of land across the street for employees to park.

For the reasons listed above we believe a reduction in parking would not negatively impact the business or community.

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Respectfully Submitted,

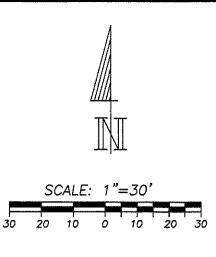
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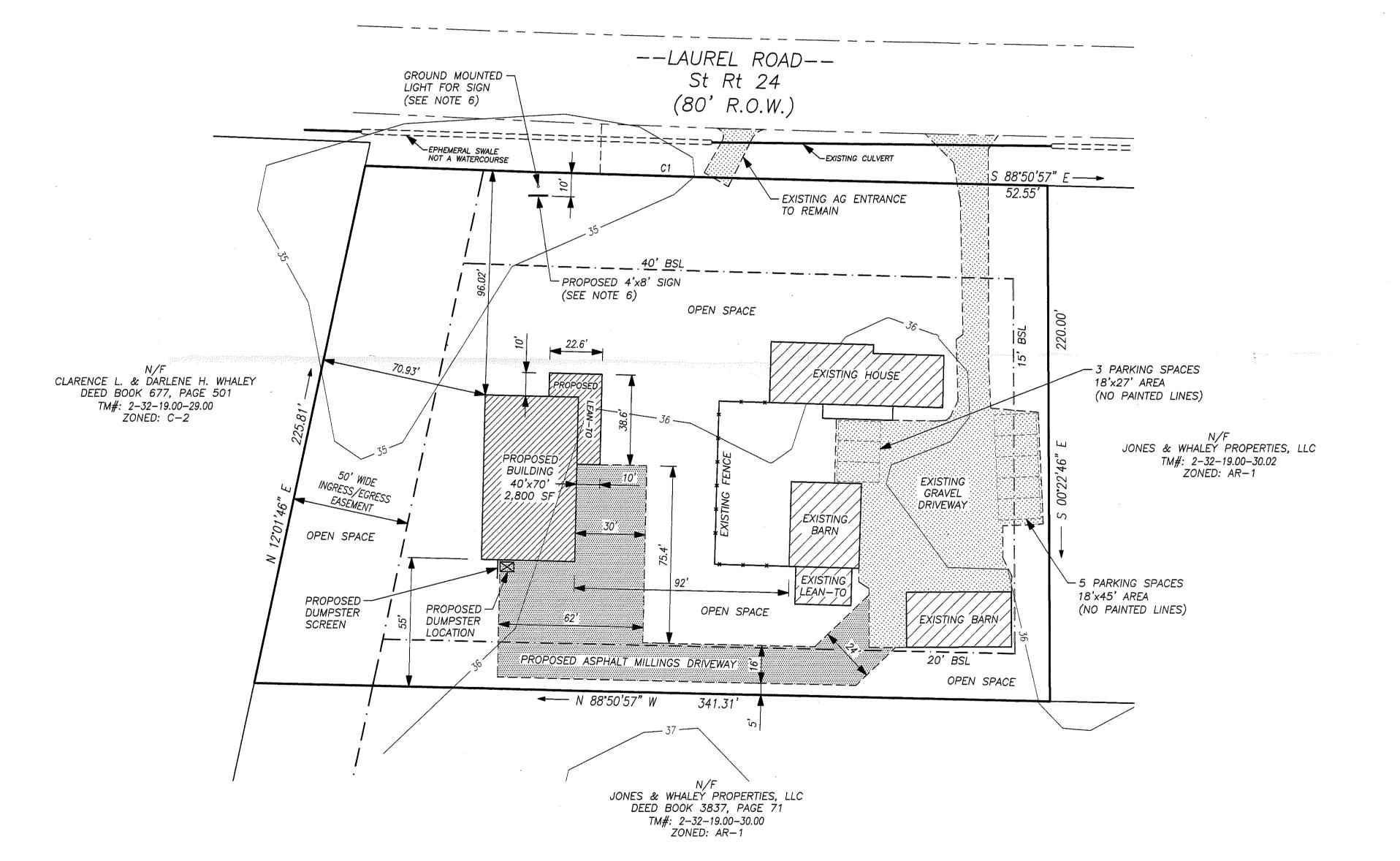
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# CONDITIONAL USE # 2178:

- A. No outside repair work shall be performed on site.
- B. All used, junked parts, equipment, etc. shall be screened from view of neighboring properties and roadways and shall be appropriately discarded or recycled.
- C. The property shall have security lighting that is downward screened so that it does not project onto neighboring properties or roadways.
- D. If desired by the Applicant, one lighted sign not to exceed 32 square feet per side shall be permitted.
- E. The Applicant shall comply with all DelDOT requirements concerning access and roadway improvements.
- F. All dumpsters or trash disposal containers shall be screened from view from neighboring properties, adjacent properties and roadways
- G. The Final Site Plan shall be subject to the review and approval of the Sussex County Planning and Zoning Commission.



N/F WILLIS L. & JOAN T. KIRK DEED BOOK 4293, PAGE 323 TM#: 2-32-19.00-15.00 ZONED: AR-1



3. ALL FIRE LANES, FIRE HYDRANTS, AND FIRE DEPARTMENT
CONNECTIONS SHALL BE MARKED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE
STATE FIRE PREVENTION REGULATIONS

4. THIS SITE IS MAPPED OUTSIDE OF SOURCE WATER PROTECTION

AREAS.

5. THIS SITE IS MAPPED OUTSIDE OF ANY WETLANDS.

NOTES
1. LOT IS SERVED BY EXISTING PRIVATE WELL.

ARCHITECTS, ENGINEERS & SURVEYORS

DAVIS, BOWEN & FRIEDEL, INC.

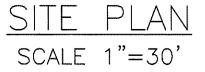
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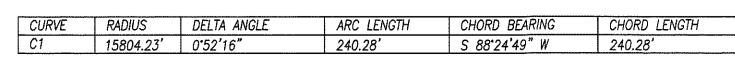
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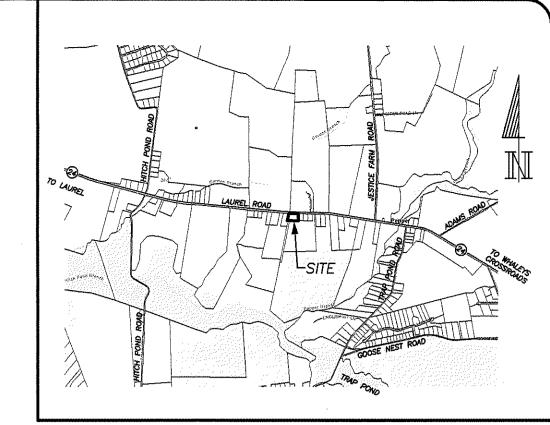
(NO SURVEY PERFORMED BY STEPHEN R. LEHR)

6. PROPOSED SIGN AND GROUND MOUNTED LIGHT FOR SIGN TO BE AS APPROVED UNDER SEPARATE SIGN PERMIT.
SIGN PERMIT IS REQUIRED PRIOR TO PLACING ANY SIGNAGE.

TOPOGRAPHIC INFORMATION FROM SUSSEX COUNTY MAPPING







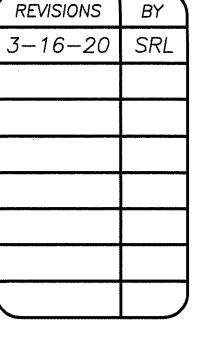
LOCATION MAP

SCALE: 1"=3000'

# DATA COLUMN:

OWNER/DEVELOPER: STEVEN W. & CARRIE M. COLEMAN 14716 LAUREL RD LAUREL, DE 19956 (302) 430-4099 Email: steve@generationswelding.com DESIGN ENGINEER: STEPHEN R. LEHR, P.E. P.O. BOX 165 LINCOLN, DE 19960 (302) 930-0920 (302) 422-9562 FAX Email: S.Lehr.PE@gmail.com CONTACT: STEPHEN R. LEHR EXISTING USE: RESIDENTIAL LOT PROPOSED USE: NEW COMMERCIAL WELDING FABRICATION SHOP BUILDING AREA - 2.800 SF BUILDING HEIGHT - LESS THAN 25' (70' MAX ALLOWED) CONSTRUCTION - WOOD FRAMING ON CONCRETE SLAB BUILDING NOT PROTECTED WITH SPRINKLERS LOCATION: 14716 LAUREL RD (LOT 1) 13 MILE W OF JESTICE FARM RD TAX MAP PARCEL: 2-32-19.00-30.00 STATE PLANE COORDINATES: LAT. 38.5422 LONG. -75.4864 OFF-STREET PARKING: 6 REQUIRED SPACES (@ 1 SPACE PER 500 SQ FT GROSS FLOOR AREA) + (@ 1 SPACE PER EMPLOYEE) 8 PROPOSED SPACES (9' x 18' SPACES) (ADDITIONAL UNLINED PARKING FOR ACCESSIBLE SPACES AVAILABLE IN FRONT OF EXISTING BARNS) <u>ZONING</u>: AR-1 CONDITIONAL USE # 2178 <u>SETBACKS</u>: i. FRONT YARD: 40 FT ii. SIDE YARD: 15 FT iii. REAR YARD: 20 FT <u>CENTRAL SEWER:</u> EXISTING ON-SITE SEPTIC (NO CONNECTION TO PROPOSED BUILDING) **WATER SUPPLY**: EXISTING ON—SITE WELL (NO CONNECTION TO PROPOSED BUILDING) PARCEL SIZE: 1.605 Acres (69,911 SF) <u>AREAS</u>: (EXISITNG) 4.141 SQ FT EXISTING BUILDINGS 384 SQ FT EXISTING COVERED AREA (LEAN-TO) 7,274 SQ FT EXISTING GRAVEL DRIVEWAY 2,810 SQ FT FENCED YARD (PROPOSED) 2,800 SQ FT PROPOSED BUILDING 512 SQ FT PROPOSED COVERED PORCH 6,206 SQ FT PROPOSED PAVED DRIVEWAY (REMAINING OPEN SPACE) 45,784 SQ FT OPEN SPACE (65.5%) (INCLUDING 11,272 SQ FT IN 50' EASEMENT) FLOOD ZONE: OUTSIDE OF 0.2% ANNUAL CHANCE FLOODPLAIN AS SHOWN ON FIRM 10005C0440 K REVISION DATE 3/5/2015 VERTICAL BENCHMARK

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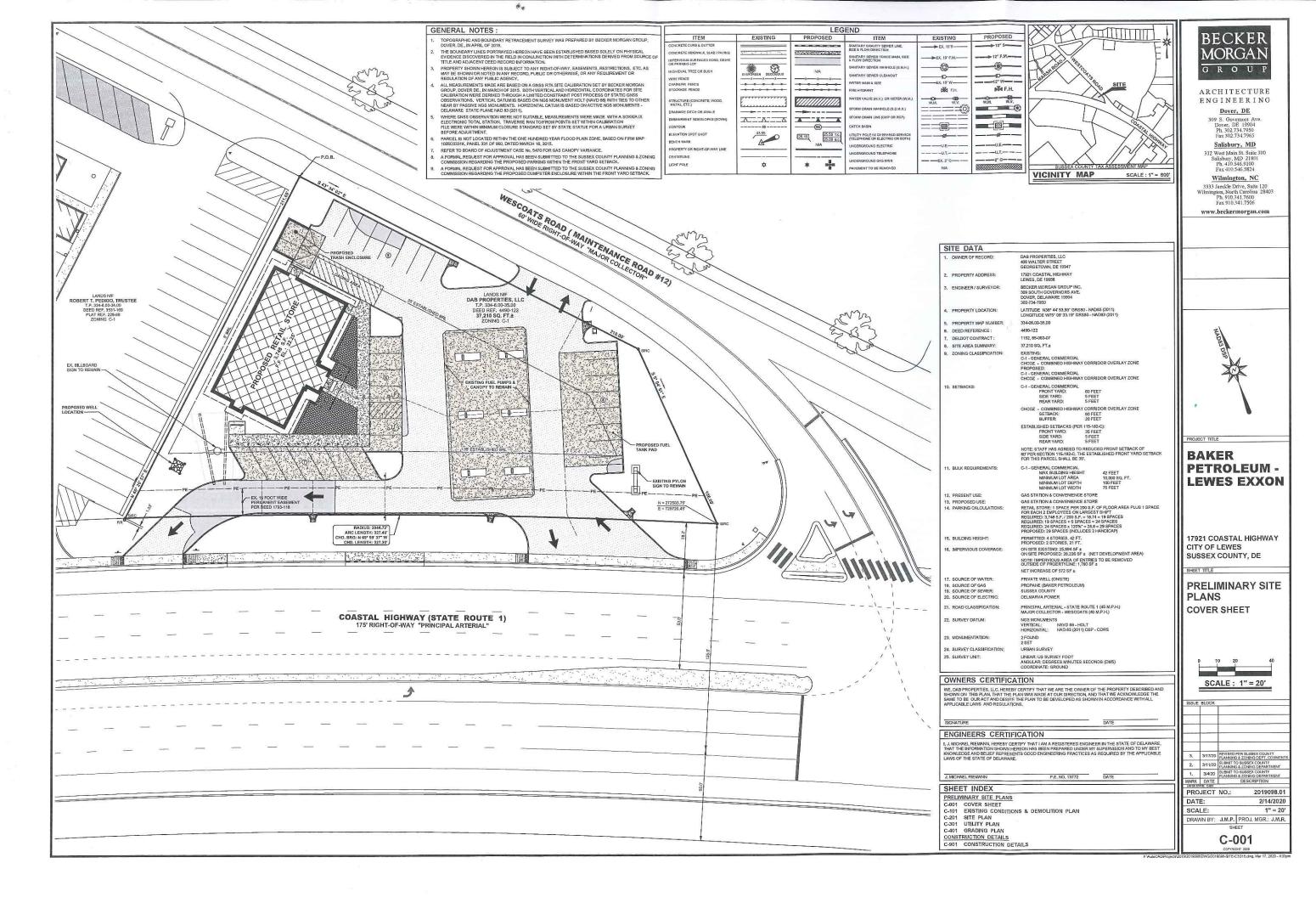
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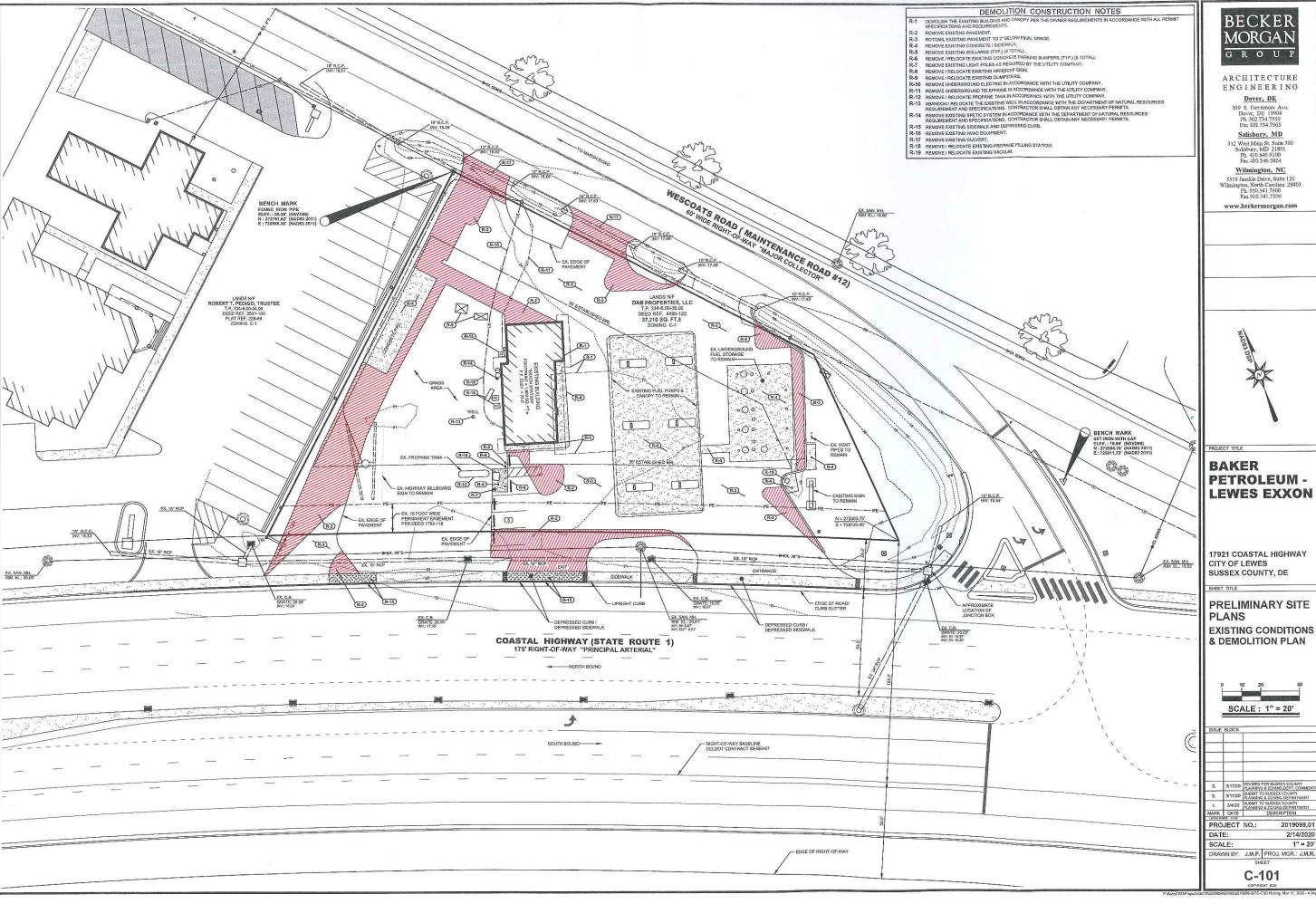
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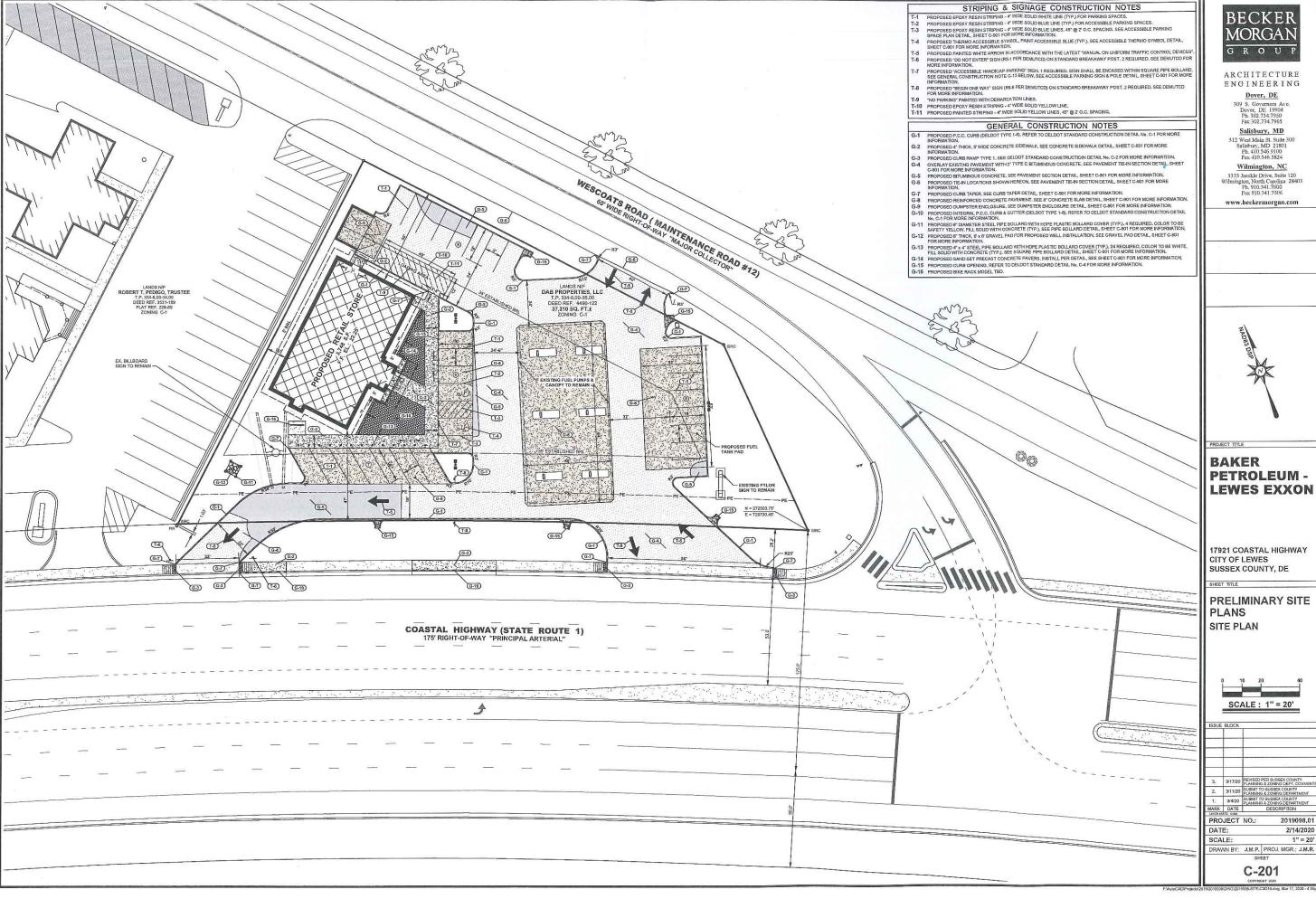
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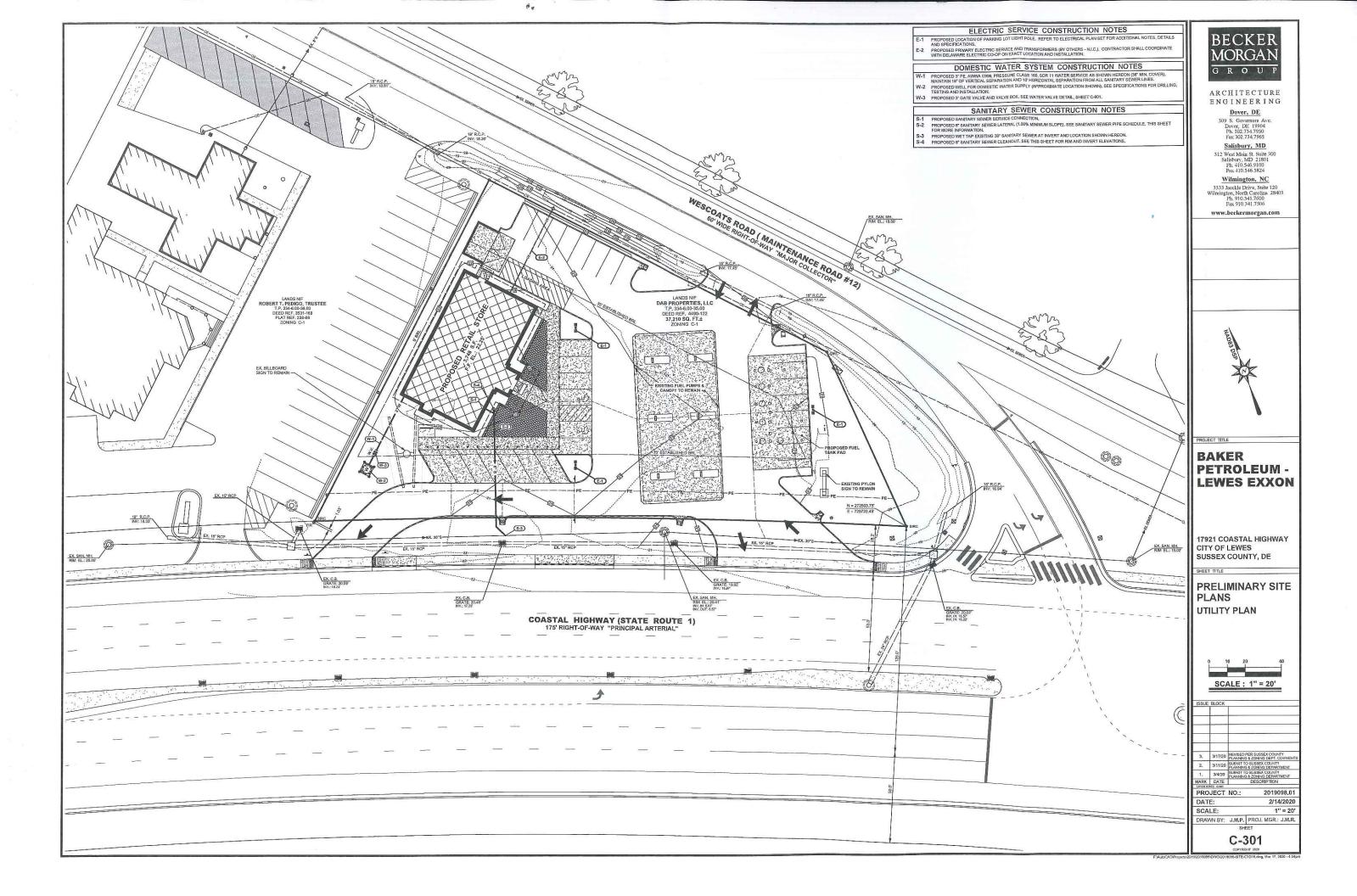


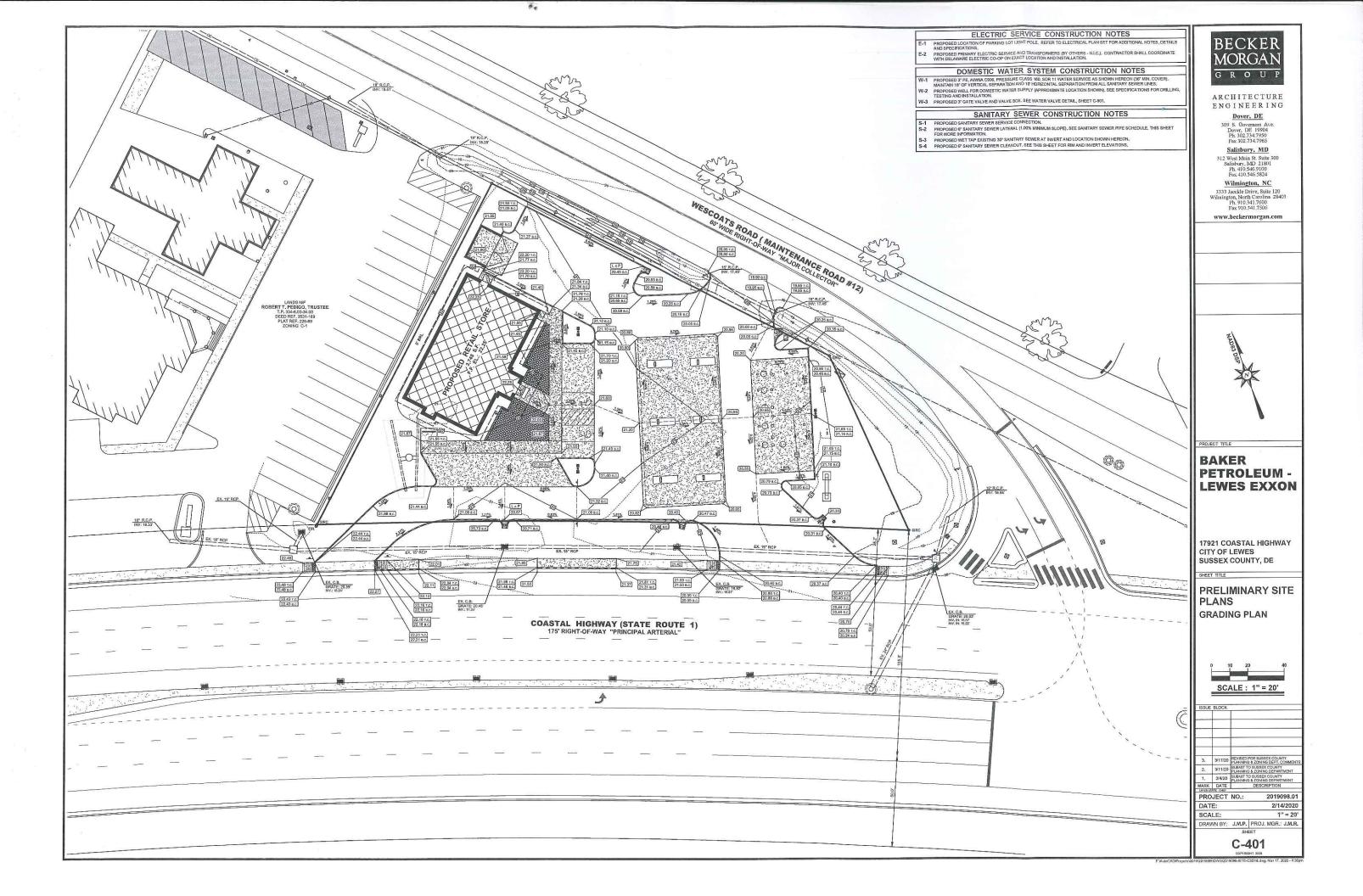


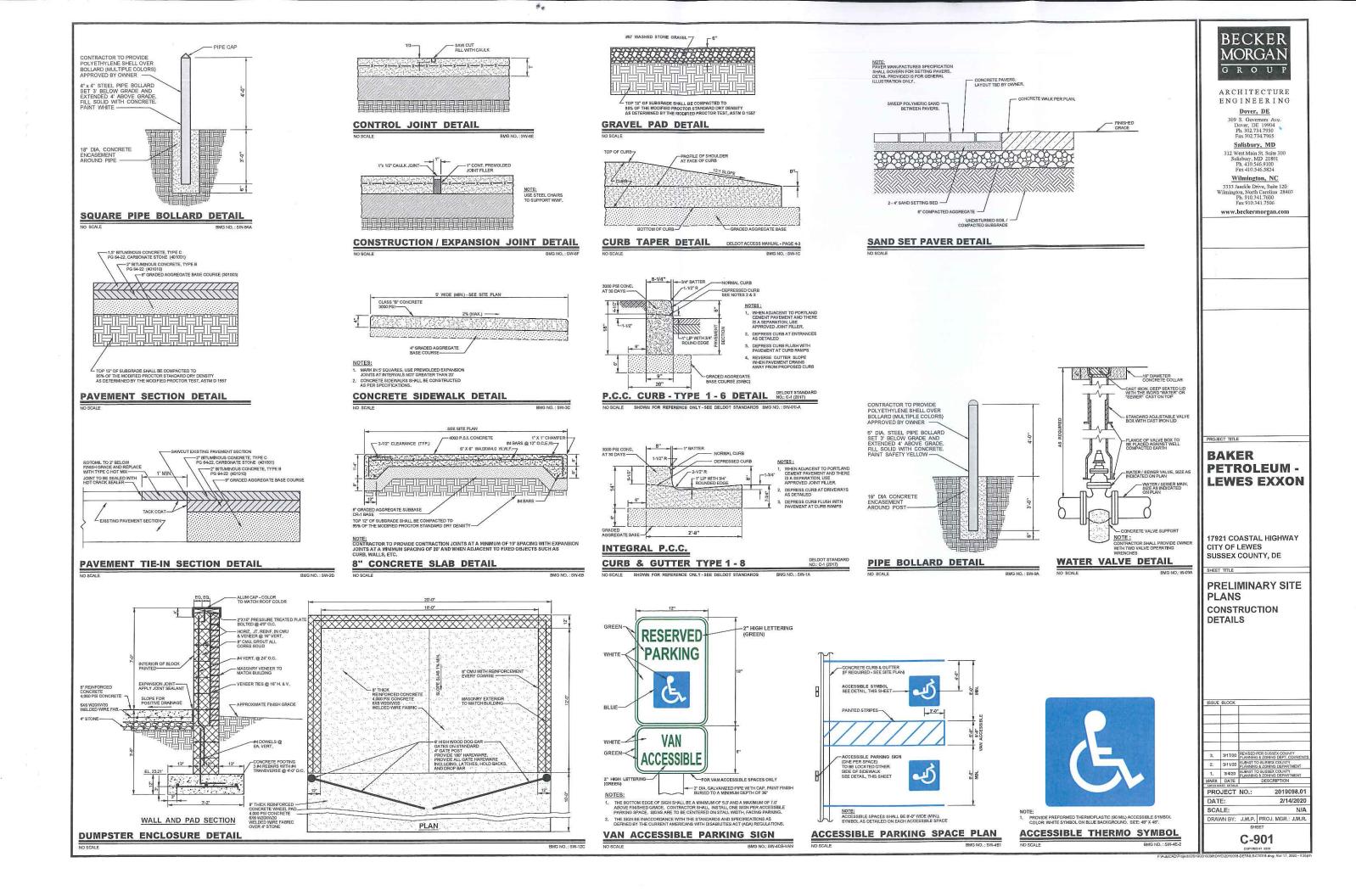
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# THE DALE FARM, LLC Post Office Box 277 8434 Dale Farm Road BRIDGEVILLE, DE 19933

February 7, 2020

Planning & Zoning Sussex County Georgetown, DE 19947 RECEIVED

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SUSSEX COUNTY
PLANNING & ZONING

Gentlemen,

I hereby respectfully request that you approve the attached application for a subdivision on my farm outside of Bridgeville (Tax Map #5-30-16.00-13.00 Site #4). The lot will be used to construct a retirement home for my nephew and his wife. The lot will remain titled in the name of the farm (Dale Farm LLC) and will not be sold or transferred to any outside non-family party.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Respectfully yours,

Maurice L. Cannon

