

City of Plymouth Planning Commission Regular Meeting Agenda

Wednesday, May 12, 2021 - 7:00 p.m.

ONLINE Zoom Webinar

City of Plymouth 201 S. Main Plymouth, Michigan 48170

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1. CALL TO ORDER

- a) Roll Call
- 2. CITIZENS COMMENTS
- 3. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES.
 - a) Approval of the April 14, 2021 regular meeting minutes.
- 4. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA
- 5. COMMISSION COMMENTS
- 6. PUBLIC HEARING
 - a) PUD 21-01: 550 N. Holbrook, PUD Amendment
 - b) SP 21-01: 296 S. Main, Special Use and Site Plan Review for additional outdoor dining area
- 7. OLD BUSINESS
- 8. **NEW BUSINESS**
 - a) SP 21-02: 1250 S. Main, Site Plan Review for revised landscaping.
- REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE
- 10. ADJOURNMENT

<u>Citizen Comments</u> - This section of the agenda allows up to 3 minutes to present information or raise issues regarding items not on the agenda. Upon arising to address the Commission, speakers should first identify themselves by clearly stating their name and address. Comments must be limited to the subject of the item.

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City of Plymouth Strategic Plan 2017-2021

GOAL I - QUALITY OF LIFE

OBJECTIVES

Support the neighborhoods with high-quality customer service

Engage in collaboration with private entities and surrounding municipalities to implement the Joint Recreation Master Plan

Improve communication with the public across multiple platforms

Maintain a high level of cleanliness throughout the City

Support and host a diverse variety of events that foster community and placemaking

ONE-YEAR TASKS 2021

Restore sports and recreational programs that were halted by COVID-19 as soon as possible

Review and evaluate the special event policy with safety considerations

Address challenges with the Kellogg Park improvements with safety considerations

Move Kellogg Park Fountain project forward

Continue to re-engage service clubs to help enhance parks and public properties

Increase followers by 2,000 on all our communications platforms

Develop an internal and external communications plan

Upgrade City Hall facilities to accommodate remote meetings and remote participation

Continue investigating multi-modal transportation opportunities

Revisit noise ordinance

GOAL II - FINANCIAL STABILITY

OBJECTIVES

Approve balanced budgets that maintain fiscal responsibility

Advocate for increased revenue sharing with the State of Michigan

Encourage and engage in partnerships, both public and private, to share costs of services and equipment

Address the issue of legacy costs

Seek out and implement efficient and effective inter-departmental collaboration

Market our successes to attract new economic and investment opportunities

ONE-YEAR TASKS 2021

Identify mechanisms for funding sources for capital improvement projects

Increase funding to the Public Improvement Fund

Create a potential package for financing emergency structural repairs

Develop a comprehensive asset management plan that includes a review of the equipment fleet

Search out other possible revenue streams through continued association with the CWW and the MML

Develop a financial plan for public safety

Continue to make extra payments towards legacy costs

Monitor outside influences on our revenue sources, including unfunded mandates, the 35th District Court and the PCCS

Negotiate three labor contracts

GOAL III - ECONOMIC VITALITY

OBJECTIVES

Continue to support and improve active, vibrant downtown branding

Support community and economic development projects and initiatives

Support a mix of industrial, commercial and residential development

Reference the Master Plan in economic decision-making

ONE-YEAR TASKS 2021

Complete Saxton's development

Develop municipal parking lot at Saxton's site

Support development of 23 parcels adjacent to the Starkweather School property

Continue to administer the grant and the brownfield plan to support the Pulte project's completion

Finish Redevelopment Ready Community (RRC) certification by the end of 2021

Develop an annual training calendar for the Planning Commission, the Historic District Commission, the Zoning Board of Appeals and the DDA, and identify a funding source

Implement temporary plans to assist businesses in recovery efforts

GOAL IV - SERVICE AND INFRASTRUCTURE

OBJECTIVES

Support administration and staff by providing professional development opportunities, supplying resources, and maintaining a commitment to recruitment, retention, succession planning

Support and deliver safe and responsive emergency services

Maintain a sophisticated and responsive technology to communicate and manage data

Continually record, maintain, update, and improve City infrastructure

ONE-YEAR TASKS 2021

Explore enhanced pedestrian safety opportunities into targeted intersections

Research funding opportunities for ADA compliance at the PCC

Implement 2021 infrastructure program

Continue training for future career development and succession planning

Conduct a traffic study to determine whether to make additional streets one way

Update mapping resources including parcel data, completing 50% by the end of the year

Update/replace current technology to ensure compliance with new regulations, rules, and operating systems

Revisit paid parking

- 1. Focus on education by scheduling four educational, working sessions on the following dates: February 24, March 24, October 27, and November 17.
- 2. Draft a Form Based Code test case.
- 3. Approve a mixed use, high density zoning ordinance.
- 4. Review existing ordinances for amendments related to residential building heights and habitable space within accessory buildings.

City of Plymouth Planning Commission Public Hearing Notice Wednesday, May 12, 2021 – 7:00 p.m. Online Zoom Webinar

201 S. Main Street Plymouth, Michigan 48170 Website: www.plymouthmi.gov Phone: (734) 453-1234 ext. 232

A regular meeting of the Planning Commission will be held on Wednesday, May 12, 2021 at 7:00 P.M. online via Zoom to consider the following:

SP21-01: 296 S. Main, Special Land Use and Site Plan Review Zoned: B-2, Central Business District
Applicant: Vincent Spica

PUD 21-01: 550 N. Holbrook, PUD Amendment Zoned: PUD, Planned Unit Development Applicant: Mark and Craig Menuck

All interested persons are invited to attend.

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Publish: Sunday, April 25, 2021



Plymouth Planning Commission Regular Meeting Minutes Wednesday, April 14, 2021 - 7:00 p.m.

City of Plymouth 201 S. Main Plymouth, Michigan 48170-1637 www.plymouthmi.gov Phone 734-453-1234 Fax 734-455-1892

Online Zoom Meeting

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Karen Sisolak called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Present: Chair Sisolak, Vice Chair Jennifer Kehoe, Commissioners Shannon Adams, Joe

Hawthorne, Tim Joy, Charles Myslinski, Adam Offerman, and Scott Silvers

Excused: Hollie Saraswat

Also present: Community Development Director John Buzuvis, Assistant Community Development Director Greta Bolhuis and Planning Consultant Sally Elmiger and City Commission Liaison Nick Moroz.

2. CITIZENS COMMENTS

Joe Elliott, 404 Irvin, and chair of the Zoning Board of Appeals asked that the Planning Commission revisit the requirements for garage height, since dormers change the calculation.

3. APPROVAL OF THE MEETING MINUTES

Joy offered a motion, seconded by Adams, to approve the minutes of the March 10, 2021 regular meeting minutes.

There was a roll call vote.

Yes: Adams, Hawthorne, Joy, Kehoe, Myslinski, Offerman, Sisolak, Silvers

MOTION PASSED 8-0

Kehoe offered a motion, seconded by Myslinski, to approve the minutes of the March 24, 2021 educational working session meeting minutes.

There was a roll call vote.

Yes: Adams, Hawthorne, Joy, Kehoe, Myslinski, Sisolak, Silvers

Abstain: Offerman

MOTION PASSED 7-0

4. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Kehoe offered a motion, seconded by Joy, to approve the agenda for Wednesday, April 14, 2021.

There was a roll call vote.

Yes: Adams, Hawthorne, Joy, Kehoe, Myslinski, Offerman, Sisolak, Silvers

MOTION PASSED 8-0

5. COMMISSION COMMENTS

Myslinski announced that he was moving out of the City, so this would be his last Planning Commission meeting. Members thanked him for his service.

6. PUBLIC HEARING

There was no public hearing.

7. OLD BUSINES

a. Mixed Use-High Density District Language Review

There was a discussion about changes made in the Mixed-Use High Density District draft at the March meeting, including the number of stories allowed and how step-backs could be used. The group also discussed other points in the draft, including residential units, the definition of motorcycles, vehicle battery charging stations, and special land use requests. There was consensus that the lot size in the current draft should remain. It was agreed that before the May meeting, the group would look at specific properties to help the discussion. Community Development staff is keeping a running document of the specific proposed changes.

8. **NEW BUSINESS**

a. PUD 15-01: 550 N. Holbrook, Starkweather Subdivision (PUD Amendment)

Owners Craig Menuck and Mark Menuck and project engineer Brad Brickel presented their rationale for the requested amendment regarding height deviation due to grading. It was noted that any change to a PUD requires a public hearing before the Planning Commission can make a recommendation to the City Commission. After a discussion, Silvers offered the following motion, seconded by Myslinski.

The Planning Commission recommends scheduling a public hearing for PUD 15-01 to amend the PUD agreement for building height, providing grading that allows the lowest level to qualify as a basement and that the first floor is no more than 9 feet in height, the second floor is no more than 8 feet in height, and that the FAR ordinance and elevations remain intact.

Sisolak offered a friendly amendment requiring the applicant to provide an engineering analysis of all deviations listed accurately, and then schedule a public hearing.

There was a roll call vote.

Yes: Adams, Hawthorne, Joy, Kehoe, Myslinski, Offerman, Sisolak, Silvers

MOTION PASSED 8-0

9. REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE

Moroz thanked Sisolak for putting together a comprehensive document of all major decisions, over the past few years, of the Planning Commission and for sharing that document with the City Commission.

Buzuvis said meetings would continue to be remote at least through May.

10. ADJOURNMENT

Myslinski offered a motion, seconded by Joy to adjourn the meeting at 9:50 p.m.

There was a roll call vote.

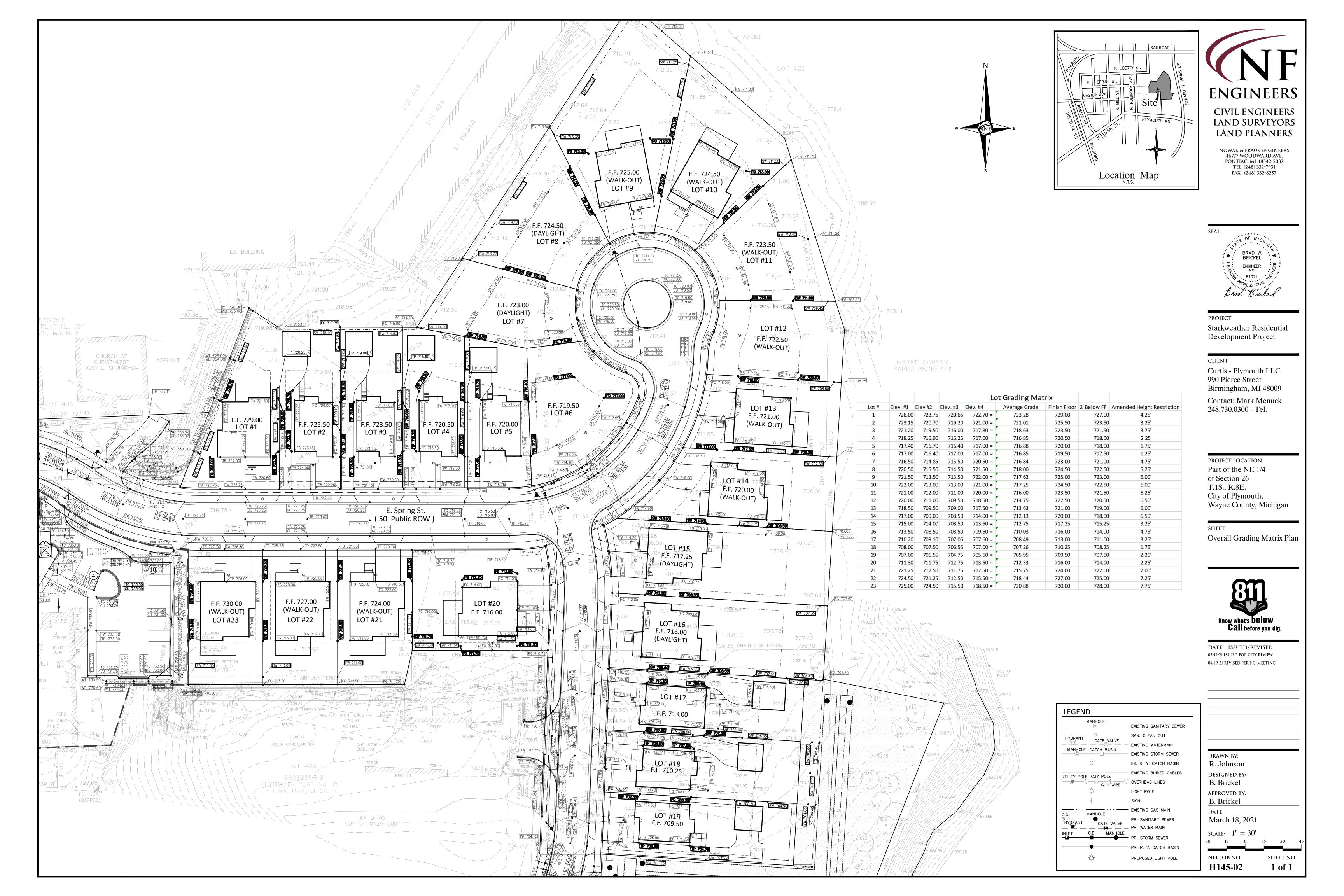
Yes: Adams, Hawthorne, Joy, Kehoe, Myslinski, Offerman, Sisolak, Silvers MOTION PASSED 8-0

Starkweather Condominium Planning Commission Supplemental Submittal Presented by Curtis-Plymouth

Based on the discussion from last month's Planning Commission meeting, the committee members asked us to include the following information for their review:

- Renderings of the houses showing all 4 sides
- Revised matrix plan that addresses exactly what we are asking with respect to grade on each site
- Address any potential issues with FAR that may arise as a result of homes with any walkout basements
- Renderings are attached. These illustrate the following:
 - O Homes that would otherwise fit on a lot in Plymouth (our desired plan) with a typical 5-1/2:12 roof pitch and 6:12 roof pitch
 - O The same house plan but with a roof pitch that is forced to unacceptable architectural standards due to grade changes on the lot
 - Roof pitch reduced to 3-1/2:12 pitch
 - Roof height complies with 25' height ordinance
 - While not obvious in a 2D rendering, these roofs are considered "flat" and undesirable, especially in the Historic Old Village section
 - Roof would not be visible, even from the roadway
 - o Both "standard" and "walkout" lot samples are provided
 - Lot 1 Standard basement
 - Lot 2 Standard basement (same house as Lot 18)
 - Lot 14 Walkout basement
 - o All 4 sides are shown
- Revised matrix prepared by Nowak & Fraus is attached
 - o "Average grade" variance is determined only where building site is where a home would sit
 - A chart listing the requested height restriction to accommodate a typical 25' home on each lot taking into account each lot's natural topography and which would prevent creating a "planter box" scenario in order to fit a home
 - Planter box would ruin the beauty of the rolling topography
 - All calculations assumed the following:
 - Minimum allowable slope from walk to porch
 - Only 2'-0" from porch grade up to first floor (per code, industry standard)
 - First floor heights are 9'-0" (as requested by PC)
 - Second floor heights are 8'-0" (as requested by PC)
- Our civil engineer, Brad Brickel from Nowak & Fraus, had conversations with the City's Building official, Brent Strong. Brent stated the rules under which FAR would apply, including a walkout condition. Both Brent and Brad concluded that, as far as any proposed walkouts are concerned on this site, FAR will not be an issue and we are therefore not asking for any deviation from the application of FAR as a result.

It is our sincere goal to obtain the requested revision in the PUD to allow for the changes we propose. We do not believe that, at the time of the initial PUD hearings, anyone intended to have flat-roofed, or even modern style homes on this site. While they are certainly approvable throughout the City as well as here, such architecture would be a *necessity* on this site and will forever change the landscape of the Historic Old Village. In attempting to build homes in keeping with the historical architecture in Old Village, our suggested changes *promote* homes that are both desirable and acceptable.





Shown with a 3:12 pitch (roof would not be visible from the road) **Front Elevation Right Elevation** Lot #2

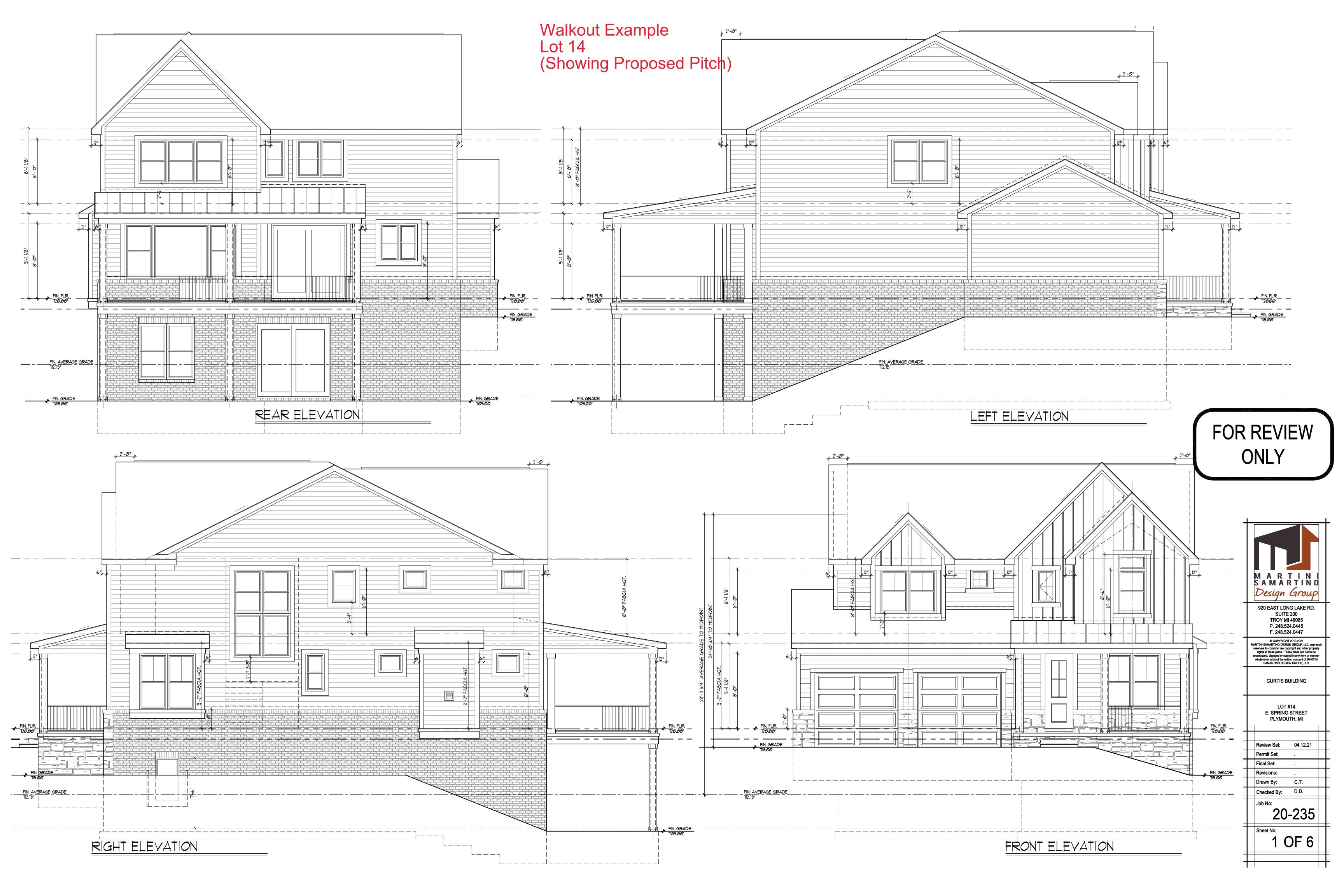


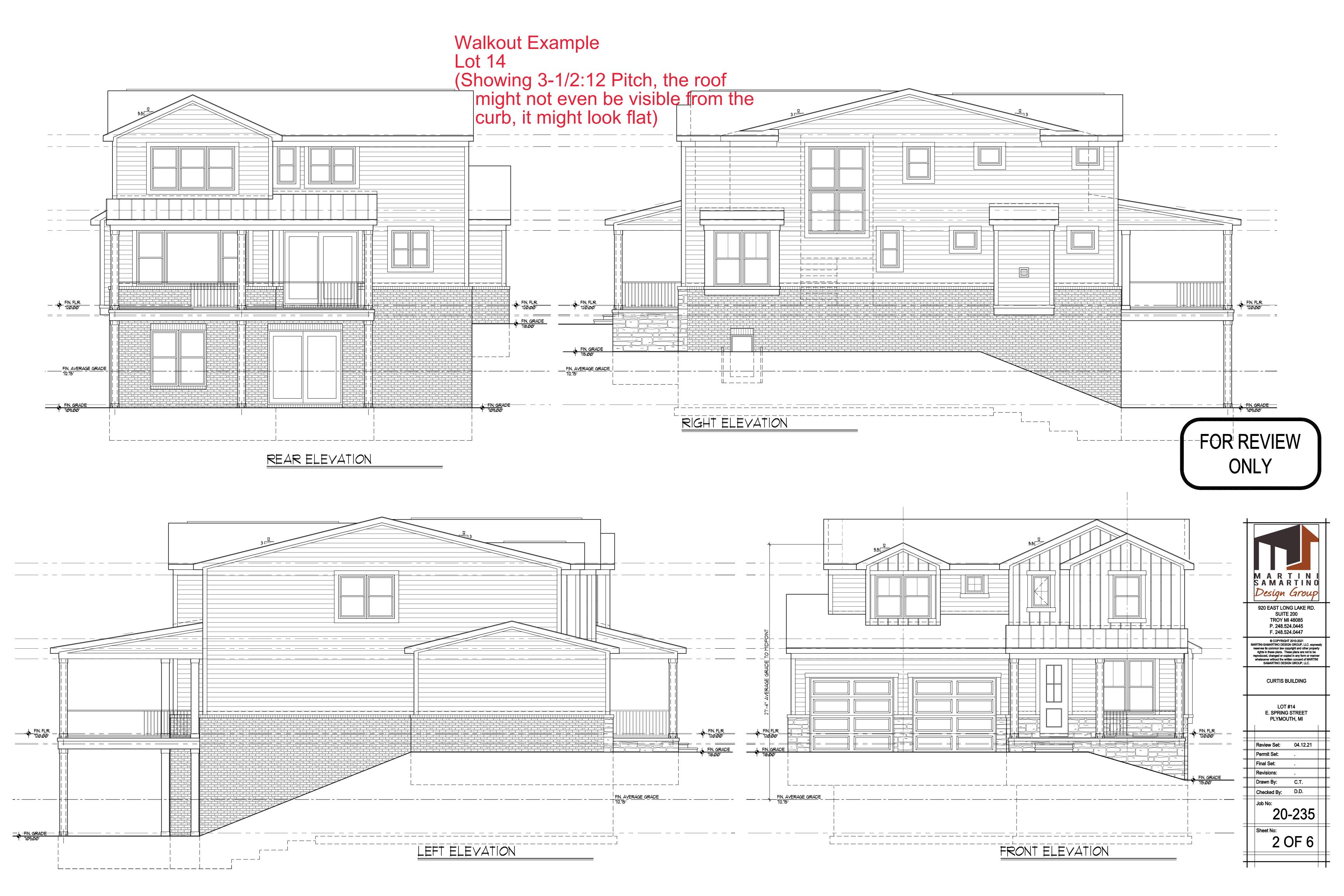
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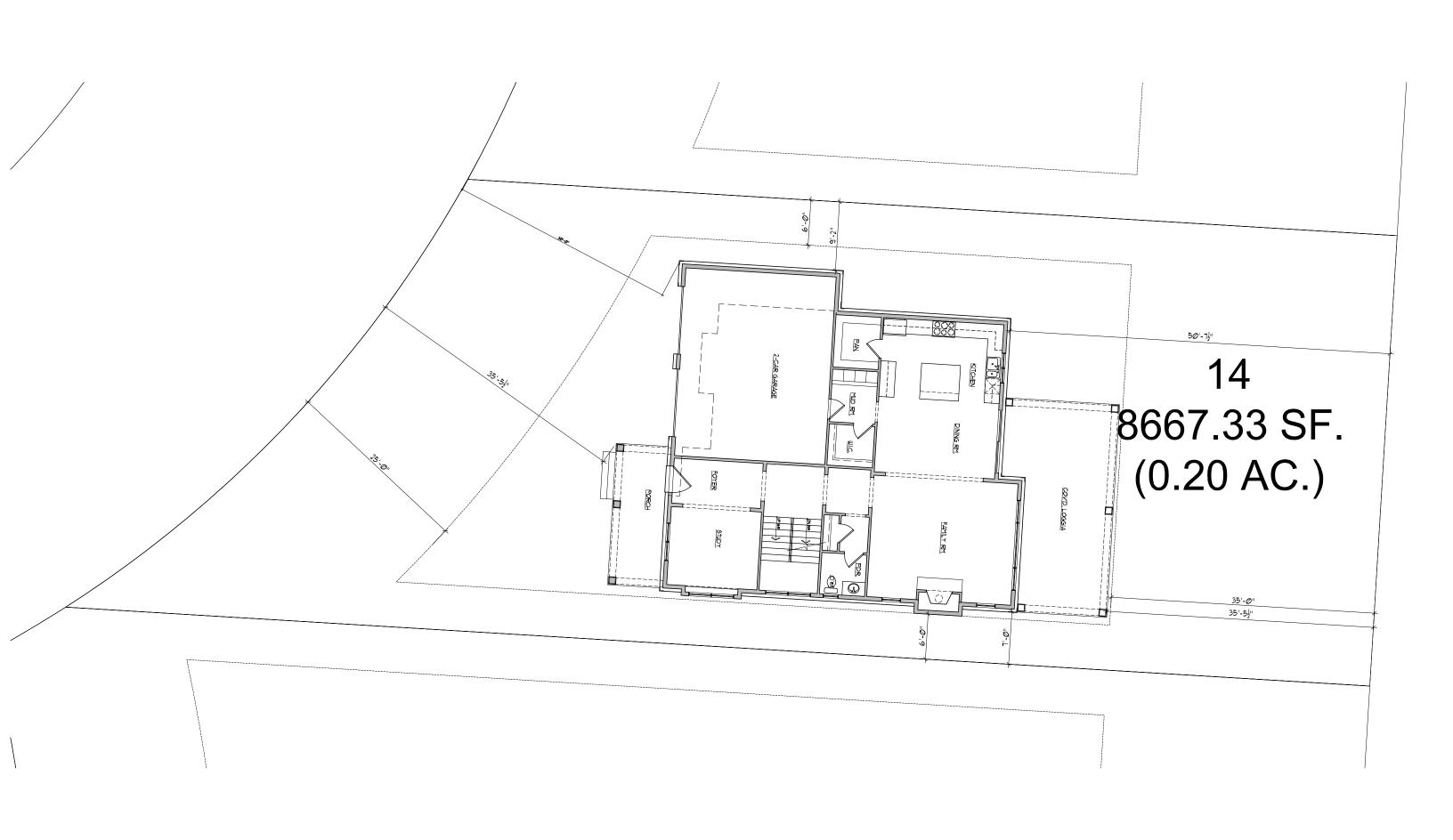


Right Elevation

LOT #1









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MEMORANDUM

TO: City of Plymouth Planning Commission

FROM: Sally M. Elmiger, AICP, LEED AP

DATE: May 6, 2021

RE: Starkweather School PUD – Proposed Amendment to Maximum Building Height

The applicant attended the April 14, 2021 Planning Commission meeting to request amendments to the Starkweather School Planned Unit Development (PUD) project. The applicant is now requesting single-family home building heights that are between 1.25 and 7.75 feet taller than permitted by the ordinance (up from previous request for building heights 0.75 and 5.88 feet taller). This amendment would affect 22 of the 23 homesites, and are illustrated on the most recent plan dated April 19, 2021. The maximum building height permitted is 25 feet/2 stories. The Planning Commission discussed the project, and scheduled a Public Hearing for the May 12 meeting. The Planning Commission also requested the following information:

- 1. Verify that the Floor Area Ratio (FAR) proposed for each building is compliant with the ordinance.
- 2. Indicate on the plans that first floor ceiling heights are not greater than 9-feet, and second floor ceiling heights not greater than 8-feet.
- 3. Provide building elevations of proposed houses.
- 4. Provide an accurate schedule of all proposed project deviations, including height, number of stories and FAR, as necessary.

Project History

This project was originally approved in 2016, and contains three public benefits in exchange for flexibility in application of the zoning requirements. The benefits include preservation of Starkweather School, a small park, and an easement for future access to Hines Drive in the small park.

In 2020, the applicant requested a PUD Amendment that allowed construction of eight parking spaces in the small park. The Planning Commission recommended approval of this change, but the City Commission has not yet approved this change to our knowledge.

Ordinance deviations that were permitted with the original approval include the following:

- 1. Single-family Residential use on land zoned for Office use.
- 2. Lot size (less than 7,200 s.f.) on 10 lots
- 3. Lot width (less than 60 feet) on 12 lots
- 4. Front porches extending into the front yard setback by up to 7 feet, while steps projecting an additional 2 feet further.

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- 5. Rear yard setback (less than 35 feet) on 3 lots
- 6. Units 1, 6-16 and 20-23, are allowed to have a front facing, attached garage along the front facade, under the following requirements:
 - 6.3 .1 The front plane of the garage shall be set back an additional 5 feet from the front setback (for a minimum of 30 feet from the front setback) for attached garages;
 - 6.3.2 The garage width shall be less than 50% of the overall width of the house;
 - 6.3.3 There shall be two (2) single-car doors instead of one (1) two-car door;
 - 6.3.4 At least one architectural feature shall include a) pillars/posts on each side of the garage; b) a trellis in front of, and over, the garage; or c) dormers over the garage if there is living space over the garage.

CWA Comments

The applicant has provided responses to the Planning Commission's request for additional information. We have provided comments in *italics* after each:

1. Verify that the Floor Area Ratio (FAR) proposed for each building is compliant with the ordinance.

<u>CWA Comments</u>: In the applicant's narrative, they stated that their Engineer discussed building design and grading with the Building Official, and how the ordinance determines if a lower level in a walk-out house design is determined to be a "basement." If a basement, then the floor area in the lower level is not counted in the Floor Area Ratio (FAR) calculation.

We confirmed this conversation with the Building Official that he conveyed the ordinance requirements for FAR; however, he did not review any specific building plans. We also confirmed that this conversation covered the definition of "story," and that a basement is not considered a story.

The applicant's narrative states that the amended plans illustrate proposed grading so that all lower levels of "walk-out" buildings are considered "basements." Therefore, they do not count toward the FAR calculation and are not considered an additional "story." As a result, they are not requesting any additional deviations for FAR or number of stories.

Note that the Building Official will review building plans for each house to ensure they comply with the ordinance regarding FAR and number of stories.

2. Indicate on the plans that first floor ceiling heights are not greater than 9-feet, and second floor ceiling heights not greater than 8-feet.

<u>CWA Comments</u>: The narrative states that the calculations for building height assume the ceiling heights proposed by the Planning Commission. The building elevations for Lot 14 show 9.5-foot tall basement ceiling heights. We would ask the applicant's Engineer to explain if tall basement ceilings affect the ultimate height of the house.

3. Provide building elevations of proposed houses.

<u>CWA Comments:</u> Elevations showing all four sides of the house on Lot 14 have been provided. Renderings for lots #1 and #2 showing two sides of a house have also been provided.

4. Provide an accurate schedule of all proposed project deviations, including height, number of stories and FAR, as necessary.

<u>CWA Comments:</u> The revised plans show a schedule that calculates the proposed average grade, the proposed building height, and the excess height above the ordinance maximum for each lot. The table

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shows a proposed building height increase between 1.25 feet and 7.75 feet. The average height above ordinance requirements is approximately 4.5-feet.

The narrative states that the "finished floor" elevation is set at 2-feet above the elevation that creates a 2% slope from the front porch to the sidewalk along the street. The table shows the elevations at four points for each lot. We compared these figures to the finished grade figures shown at the corners of the buildings. These figures are not the same. The applicant's Engineer describe why. They should further describe the process they used to calculate "average grade plane" and in turn, building height.

The narrative includes the following statement. We ask what "variance" the applicant is referring to?

"Average grade" variance is determined only where building site is – where a home would sit.

In summary, we ask the applicant's Engineer to explain the following:

- 1. Do tall basement ceilings (9.5-feet) affect the ultimate height of a house?
- 2. Explain why the finished grades at the corner of the buildings are not reflected in the Lot Grading Matrix Table (Elevations #1 #4)? Why are these figures different?
- 3. Explain what "variance" is referred to regarding "average grade" in the applicant's narrative.

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Sally M. Elmiger, AICP, LEED AP

Principal

CITY OF PLYMOUTH

SITE PLAN REVIEW APPLICATION

Community Development Department 201 S. Main Street Plymouth, MI 48170 Ph. 734-453-1234 ext. 232

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I. Site/Project Information							
Site Address		Current Z	Coning Classification	Date	of Application		
296 S. Main St., Plymouth, MI 48170		B-2					
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Name of Property Owner		Phone Nu					
Downtown Plymouth LLC, Attn: Rona	ld Cook	(734) 21					
Mailing Address		Email Address (Required)					
296 S. Main St.		cook485	6@sbcglobal.net				
City		State		Zip C	ode		
Plymouth		Michigan	n	4817	0		
II. Applicant and Contact Infor	mation						
Indicate Who the Applicant Is. If Property		Architec	ct Develope	r H	Engineer Lessee		
Applicant/Company Name		Phone Nu					
VWS Holdings, LLC, Attn: Vince Spic	a	(734) 660	0-4958				
Applicant/Company Address		City		State	Zip Code		
820 Penniman Ave.		Plymouth	h	MI	48170		
Email Address (Required)	***************************************	1					
vincent.spica@yahoo.com							
III. Site Plan Designer and Con	tact Information						
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Applicant							
Company Address		City		State	Zip Code		
Registration Number	Expiration Date	Email Ad	ldress (Required)		'		
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IV. Type of Project (Please Sele			_ CI _ CII	T	s this project located in the		
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☐ Mixed Use ☐ Industrial	☐ Addition ☐ Interior Fin	Finish			□Yes □No		
VI. Description of Work							
Additional Outdoor Service A	rea located in alley between	the Penn	Grill and what is	currentl	y known as Kilwins.		
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VII	Applicant Signature			1					
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VII	I. Property Owner Signature								
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	JEFFREY L. GRESKOWIAK Notary Public:	•							
	NOTARY PUBLIC - MICHIGAN WAYNE COUNTY My Commission expires: 10/30/202/								
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	Site Plan Review Checklist	VEC	NO	NT/A					
1.	se include the following applicable information on the site plan. Correct scale	YES	NO	N/A					
		[X]		LJ					
2.	Name of person preparing plan*	[X]		LJ					
3.	Date, north point	[X]	[,]						
4.	Property line dimension	[X]	L J						
5.	Street right-of-way widths	[X]							
6.	Existing utilities (sewer, water, gas, etc.) and easements		[]	[X]					
7.	Show adjacent property and buildings, including zoning	[X]	[]	[]					
8.	Existing topography, trees and other features	[]		[X]					
9.	Off-site ground, parking lot, roadway, driveway and/or structure elevations for minimum distance of 50 feet	[]	[]	[X]					
10.	On-site grid of maximum 100 feet intervals each way (closer where rolling terrain warrants) and minimum 2.0 feet contours	[]	[]	[X]					
11.	Location of new structures including side and front yard setbacks and building length and width	[]	[]	[X]					
11.	(show a general floor plan)	L J	L J						
12.	Number of dwelling units per building	[]	[]	[X]					
13.	Height of structure	[]	[]	[X]					
14.	Percent one room apartments (efficiencies)	[]	[]	[X]					
15.	Total number of rooms if multiple-family			[X]					
16.	Parking requirements met (See Section 78-720)	[X]							
17.	Number of units and bedrooms each building	[]		[X]					
18.	Parking lot layout (showing paved area) including ingress and egress and service area	[]	[]	[X]					
19.	Parking lot space dimensions	[]		[X]					
20.	Loading and unloading space	[X]	[]	[]					
21.	Site grading and drainage plan (on-site elevations for pavements, drives, parking lots, curbs, sidewalks and finish grade at bldg.)	[]	[]	[X]					
22.	Utility connections (sanitary sewer, water, storm sewers)	[]	[]						

Plea	ase include the following applicable information on the site plan.	YES NO	N/A
23.	On-site storm water retention		[X]
24.	Fire hydrants within 300 feet (on- and off-site)		[X]
25.	Sidewalks and elevations	[X] []	[]
26.	Sedimentation and erosion control plan		[X]
27.	Landscape plan showing plant materials to be used		[X]
28.	Sign requirements met		[X]
29.	Require walls and fences or greenbelts		[X]
30.	Corner clearance	experience of the superior contract to the con	1
31.	Service drive needed		[X]
32.	Acceleration lanes and traffic pattern		[X]
33.	Trash receptacle locations including screening type and height		
34.	Mail box locations		[X]
35.	Air conditioner unit locations	[] []	[X]
36.	Special site features (play areas, pools, etc.)		[X]
37.	Handicapped facilities	[][]	[X]
38.	Building elevation drawings		[X]

^{*}Where property line surveys, topography, sewer, water or storm drains are shown, the name of the registered engineer or land surveyor preparing such elements of the plan shall be indicated on the plan.

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1.	Pre-Application Meeting	THE PROPERTY OF THE PROPERTY O		
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3.	Public Hearing Notice		No. of the Control of	
4.	CWA Review			
5.	Municipal Services Review			
6.	Fire Department Review			
7.	Engineering Review			



PLYMOUTH POLICE DEPARTMENT MEMORANDUM

TO:

JOHN BUZUVIS, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR

FROM:

A.L. COX, DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SAFETY Que. Cox A

SUBJECT: PROPOSED OUTDOOR SERVICE AREA AT VWS HOLDINGS LLC, DBA PENN GRILL

DATE:

4/23/2021

Per City Ordinance 78-92(4)(b), you requested that I review the planned development of transforming a current temporary outdoor service area into a permanent outdoor service area at VWS Holdings LLC, currently doing business as Penn Grill. The review was narrowly focused on the impact to public safety only.

VWS Holdings LLC currently operates under a Class C license with the following permits: Sunday Sales (AM)(PM), Additional Bar, Entertainment, and Outdoor Service Area (2). Their license type provides for the service of beer, wine, spirits, and mixed drinks. Additionally, they possess a Specially Designated Merchant (SDM) license which allows for the sale of beer and wine to go. The licensee is requesting approval to make permanent a currently temporary 736 square foot outdoor service area. This area is located immediately adjacent to and on the east side of the establishment on private property not owned but leased by the licensee. The area would permit both food and alcohol service outside of the establishment, but within a confined area surrounded by concrete buildings on three sides and a moveable black wrought iron fence on one side measuring approximately 36" high by 20' long. It should be noted that the purpose of the moveable fence is to provide access to the trash dumpster by waste management.

While this area would allow for patrons to enjoy a meal and/or drink(s) out of doors in good weather, it would also provide for an increase in customer capacity for the establishment while the area is in use. This will require that management provide for the same close monitoring/observation of guests outside as well as inside the establishment. It should be noted that while approval by the Michigan Liquor Control Commission (MLCC) has already been provided, City Ordinance requires an additional review by the Planning Commission.

Based on the provided plans, input from the licensee, and the establishment's history regarding the responsible service of alcohol within an outdoor service area, I do not see a negative impact on public safety. Should alterations or amendments to the plans be made, an additional review of those changes should be conducted.

If you have any questions or concerns, please let me know. Thank you for your time and attention.



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Date: May 6, 2021

Special Land Use and Site Plan Review For Plymouth, Michigan

Applicant: VWS Holding, LLC

Vince Spica

820 Penniman Avenue Plymouth, MI 48170

Project Name: Penn Grille Outdoor Seating

Plan Date: March 30, 2021

Location: 296 S. Main St.

Zoning: B-2 – Central Business District

Action Requested: Special Land Use and Site Plan Approval

Required Information: Any deficiencies are noted in the report.

PROJECT AND SITE DESCRIPTION

The applicant is proposing to use the adjoining alley area (privately owned) to locate a 736-square-foot outdoor dining area. The outdoor area is directly adjacent to the applicant's place of business (Penn Grill), and will be blocked off using moveable black iron fence. The alley is currently used as an access way to the trash containers for this use (behind the building), and trash containers at the end of the alley for other businesses.

An outdoor dining area located on private property is a Special Land Use in the B-2 District, and requires a Special Use Permit.

An aerial of the subject site is shown in **Figure 1** on the following page.



Figure 1. Subject Site

Source: Google Maps

SPECIAL LAND USE STATUS

The applicant proposes to offer food and drink out of doors, which is a Special Land Use and must meet the Special Land Use standards in Section 78-281. In addition, the B-2 Central Business District (in Section 78-102) includes six standards for restaurants serving alcohol that also need to be met.

The special land use standards in Section 78-281 are as follows. Our comments regarding each are provided below:

(1) Will be harmonious and in accordance with the general objectives or any specific objectives of the City of Plymouth Master Plan.

CWA Comment:

We believe the 2018 Master Plan supports outdoor dining. While this use will not be operational all year round, and contains no structures (permanent or temporary), the project meets some of the land use goals for the Downtown subarea, including:

- Encouraging a mix of land uses including retail, restaurant, office, residential, park and public uses.
- Calling for the continued growth and development of downtown Plymouth

- Encouraging outdoor cafés. The existing restaurant currently operates a seasonal outdoor eating area in front of the building.
- (2) Will be designed, constructed, operated, and maintained so as to be harmonious and appropriate in appearance with the existing or intended character of the general vicinity and will not change the essential character of the area.

CWA Comment:

No permanent or temporary structures are proposed. The applicant will set out 10 tables to accommodate 40 patrons. The dining area will be designated with a moveable fence. The style of the tables, chairs and fence will match the black iron style of the existing furnishings located in front of the restaurant. The plans also indicate that temporary string lights will be hung in the alley. We consider these features to be harmonious and appropriate in appearance to the character of the area.

Per the description of this Special Land Use, the proposal is directly adjacent to the Penn Grill (principal indoor use), and it does not interfere with pedestrian or vehicular traffic. (See our comments below regarding use of the alley by garbage trucks.)

(3) Will not be hazardous or disturbing to existing or future nearby uses.

CWA Comment:

The plans don't provide any information about the hours of operation. This should be provided. Also, its not clear if this area will be used for just drinks service once the kitchen closes. How the outdoor area will function should be described. Also, since this area is relatively narrow, and lined by masonry on both sides, noise generated here could reverberate along the street. Is the applicant proposing any outdoor speakers or music in the alley?

(4) Will be compatible with adjacent uses of land and will promote the use of land in a socially and economically desirable manner.

CWA Comment:

The building to the east of the alleyway is currently occupied by Kilwin's Chocolate Shop. The façade of the Kilwin's building that abuts this alley has no public entryways. Sean O'Callaghan's Restaurant and Bar is across Penniman Avenue. Other businesses along Penniman include a mix of retail, service, and restaurant uses. We believe the outdoor use will be compatible with adjacent uses, and promote the use of land in a socially/economically desirable manner. It will also assist the Penn Grill to address the reduction in occupancy required by the COVID-19 pandemic.

(5) Will be served adequately by essential public services and facilities or that the persons responsible for the establishment of the proposed use will provide adequately any such service or facility.

CWA Comment:

Essential public services currently serve the Penn Grill. The outdoor dining area does not require any additional public services. However, the alley is used by refuse haulers to pick up garbage at

the rear of the Penn Grill building, as well as behind at least one building along Main St. The plans indicate that the fence, tables, and chairs will be moved out of the way on the days/times when the refuse hauler is scheduled to pick up garbage. We assume that the applicant has coordinated garbage pick-up with the other buildings that locate their dumpsters in this alley; please confirm.

(6) Will not create excessive additional public costs and will not significantly decrease property values of surrounding properties.

CWA Comment:

As mentioned above, the use will occupy an existing alleyway. We don't believe it will significantly decrease property values of surrounding properties.

(7) Will meet all the requirements and standards of this chapter and any other applicable laws, standards, ordinances, and or/regulations.

CWA Comment:

See our comments in the remainder of this review for compliance with ordinance requirements.

We have also evaluated the proposal against the requirements of Section 78-102(2) for restaurants serving alcohol that we think apply to an outdoor area. Our comments regarding each are provided below:

(b) Alcohol shall be served only to seated patrons ...

CWA Comment:

This standard should be a condition of the Special Use Permit (after Public Hearing). The applicant will be responsible to ensure that alcohol is only served to seated patrons.

(d) No dance floor or dancing area allowed.

CWA Comment:

The proposed plans do not show any dancing area.

(f) The Community Development Director shall request a report from the City's Director of Public Safety regarding the possible impacts of the establishment serving alcoholic beverages. The planning commission shall consider this report in their evaluation of the request for special land use approval.

CWA Comment:

We defer this item to the Community Development Director.

In summary, we consider the proposal to meet the criteria for the standards in 78-281 and 78-102(2). However, some additional information is required.

Items to be Addressed: 1. Provide the proposed hours of operation. 2. Describe how the outdoor area will function (dining and drinking; drinking only, etc.). 3. Will any speakers or music be used in the outdoor area? 4. Applicant to confirm that they have coordinated garbage pick-up with other businesses whose

dumpsters occupy the alleyway. 5. Applicant to confirm that alcohol will only be served to seated patrons. 6. We defer providing a report from the City's Director of Public Safety to the Community Development Director.

SITE PLAN REQUIRED INFORMATION

Per Section 78-247, the submission shall show specific site information. However, the applicant is not erecting any structures (permanent or temporary). They are only occupying an existing alleyway with tables and chairs.

Items to be Addressed: None.

PARKING

Parking in the B-2 zoning district requires one space per 250 square feet of gross floor area. While the alley isn't technically a "floor," if this use is approved, it will permanently increase the number of patrons served by this business (after the occupancy restrictions have been lifted).

Per this standard, the outdoor seating area would require 3 additional parking spaces (736 s.f. /250 = 3 spaces). We defer whether parking for outdoor uses on private property in the downtown are typically required by the City to the Community Development Director.

The ordinance does allow the Planning Commission to modify the numerical parking requirements for a proposed use, given the level of current or future employment or the level of current or future customer traffic. If additional spaces are required, previously assigned parking credits, shared parking arrangements, or payment in lieu of building new spaces can be considered.

Items to be Addressed: City requirements and/or Planning Commission determination of required parking for outdoor dining.

RECOMMENDATIONS

In our opinion, the outdoor seating area will increase the vibrancy of this part of the Downtown, and will provide an existing business with additional seating to make up for pandemic occupancy restrictions. We would recommend the Planning Commission set a Public Hearing, conditioned upon the following information being provided:

- 1. Provide the proposed hours of operation.
- 2. Describe how the outdoor area will function (dining and drinking; drinking only, etc.).
- 3. Will any speakers or music be used in the outdoor area?

- 4. Applicant to confirm that they have coordinated garbage pick-up with other businesses whose dumpsters occupy the alleyway.
- 5. Applicant to confirm that alcohol will only be served to seated patrons.
- 6. We defer providing a report from the City's Director of Public Safety to the Community Development Director.
- 7. City requirements and/or Planning Commission determination of required parking for outdoor dining.

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Sally M. Elmiger, AICP, LEED AP

Principal

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Marleta Barr

CITY OF PLYMOUTHSITE PLAN REVIEW APPLICATION

Community Development Department 201 S. Main Street Plymouth, MI 48170 Ph. 734-453-1234 ext. 232 www.plymouthmi.gov

I. Site/Project Information					
Site Address	- 1	1	Zoning Classification	Date of Ap	plication
1250 S. Main ST	Plymouth 4917	2	81	4/	19/2021
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Name of Property Owner		Phone Nu		250	
Silvia Canza	no	130	1812-28	37	
Mailing Address			ldress (Required)		1000
570 Byron ST.		516	VIACANZAN	05246	gmail.com
City		State		Zip Code	2170
PHMOUTH		m	/	48	7/70
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CANZANO		734	1-812-2	859	
Applicant/Company Address		City		State	Zip Code
1250 S. Main ST	PLymouth, M14812	F	PHMONTH	MI	48170
Email Address (Required)					
SILVIA CANZANO 52	4@gmail. com	1			
III. Site Plan Designer and Con	tact Information				
Site Plan Designer Company Name		Phone Nu	ımber		
MYSELF					
Company Address		City		State	Zip Code
Registration Number	Expiration Date	Email Ad	dress (Required)		
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IV. Type of Project (Please Sele	ect All that Annly)			V H	istoric District
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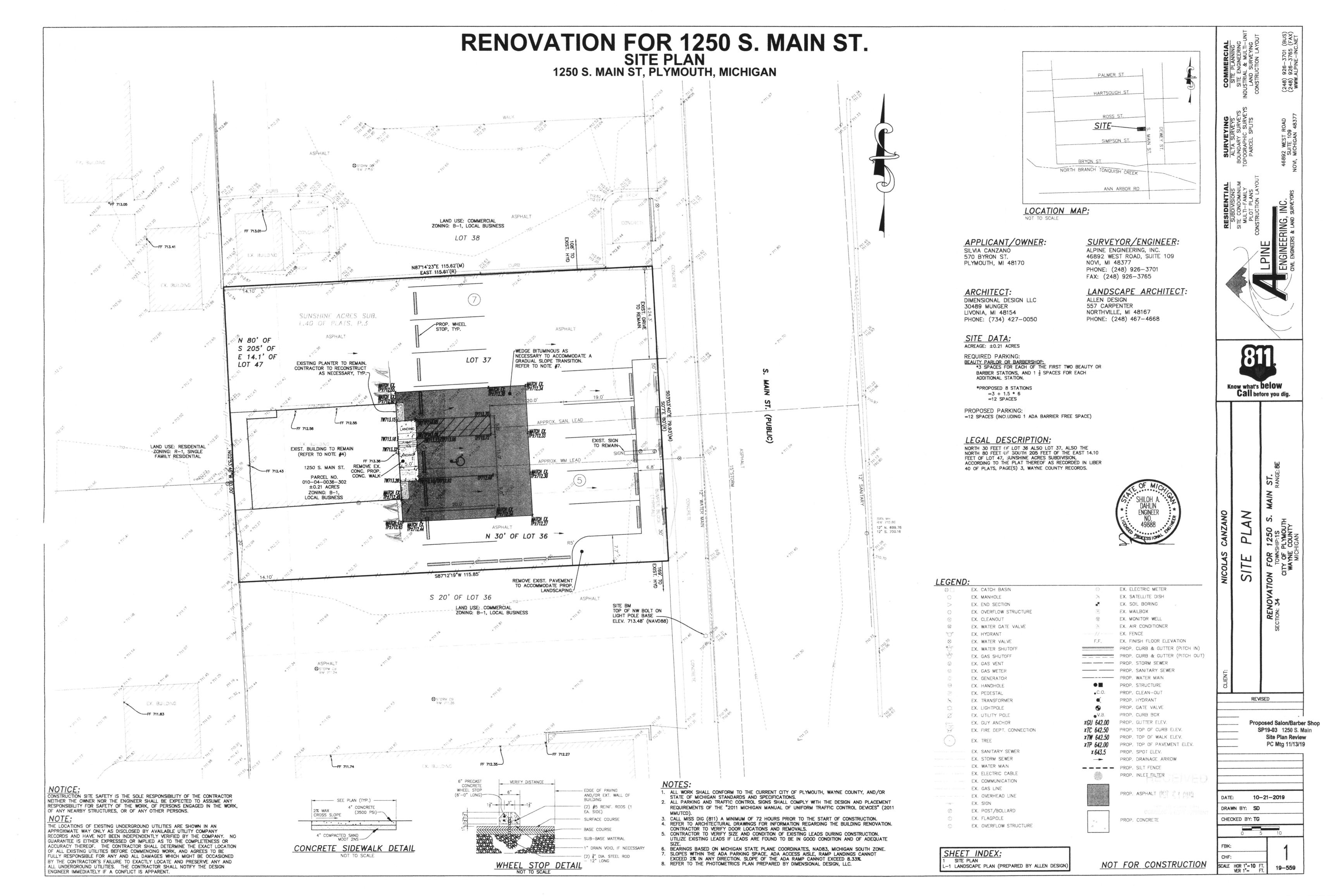
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IX.	Site Plan Review Checklist						*********
Plea	se include the following applicable information on the site plan.	Y	ES	N	О	N/.	4
1.	Correct scale]]	[]]]
2.	Name of person preparing plan*]]	[]]]
3.	Date, north point]]	[]	[]
4.	Property line dimension]]	[]	[]
5.	Street right-of-way widths] []	[]	[]
6.	Existing utilities (sewer, water, gas, etc.) and easements	[]	[]	Ε]
7.	Show adjacent property and buildings, including zoning] []	[]	[]
8.	Existing topography, trees and other features	[]	[]	[]
9.	Off-site ground, parking lot, roadway, driveway and/or structure elevations for minimum distance of 50 feet	E]	E]	Е]
10.	On-site grid of maximum 100 feet intervals each way (closer where rolling terrain warrants) and minimum 2.0 feet contours]	Ι]	E]
11.	Location of new structures including side and front yard setbacks and building length and wid (show a general floor plan)	:h []	E]]
12.	Number of dwelling units per building	[]	[]	Ε]
13.	Height of structure	[]	[]	[]
14.	Percent one room apartments (efficiencies)]	[]	[]
15.	Total number of rooms if multiple-family]	[]	[]
16.	Parking requirements met (See Section 78-720)	[]	[]	[]
17.	Number of units and bedrooms each building	[]	[]	[]
18.	Parking lot layout (showing paved area) including ingress and egress and service area	[]	[]	[]
19.	Parking lot space dimensions	[]	[]	[]
20.	Loading and unloading space	[]	[]	[]
21.	Site grading and drainage plan (on-site elevations for pavements, drives, parking lots, curbs, sidewalks and finish grade at bldg.)	Ε]	[]	[]
22.	Utility connections (sanitary sewer, water, storm sewers)]	[]]

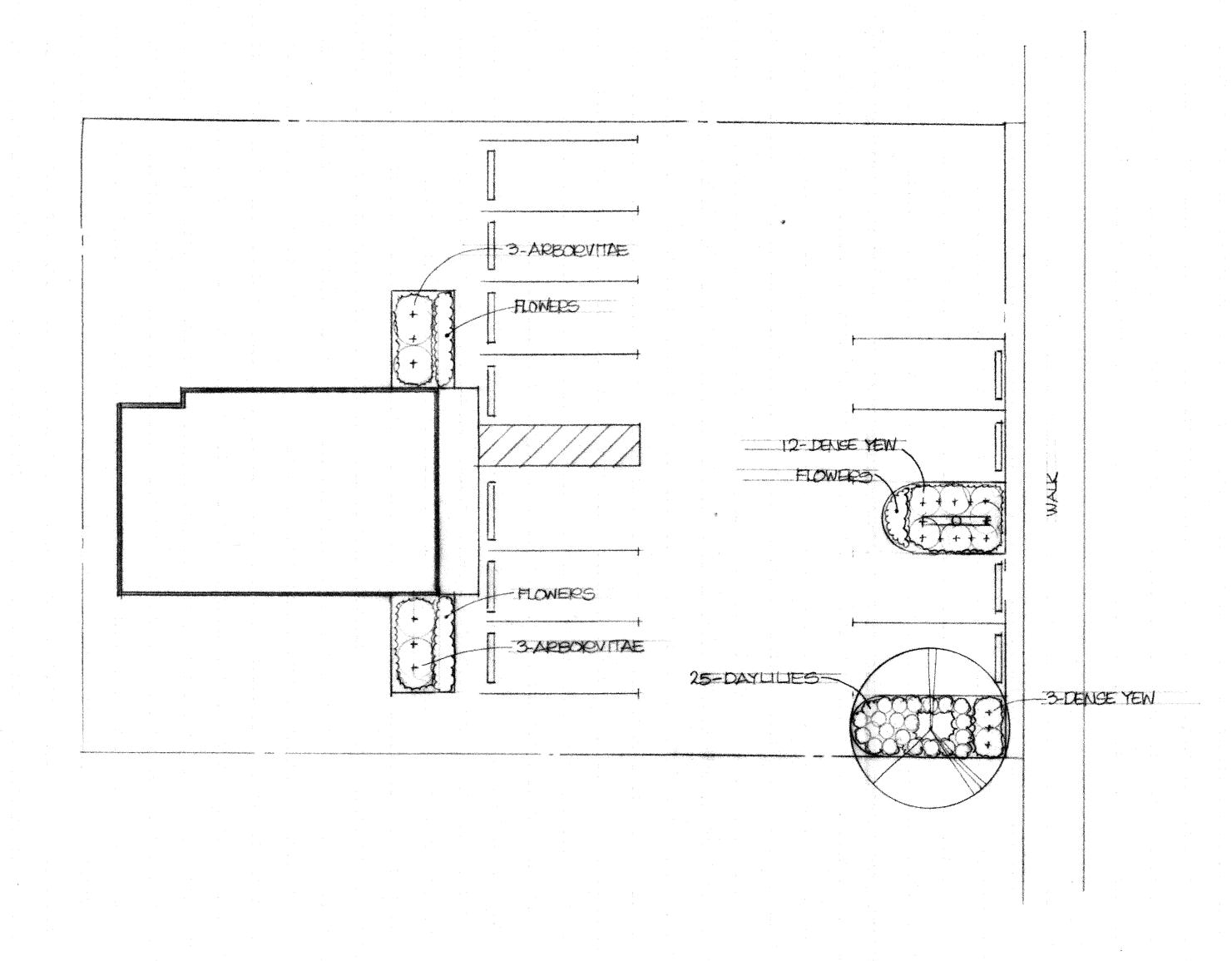
Plea	se include the following applicable information on the site plan.	YES	NO	N/A
23.	On-site storm water retention	[]	[]	[]
24.	Fire hydrants within 300 feet (on- and off-site)	[]	[]	[]
25.	Sidewalks and elevations	[]	[]	[]
26.	Sedimentation and erosion control plan	[]	[]	[]
27.	Landscape plan showing plant materials to be used	[]	[]	[]
28.	Sign requirements met	[]	[]	[]
29.	Require walls and fences or greenbelts		[]	[]
30.	Corner clearance	[]	[]	[]
31.	Service drive needed		[]	[]
32.	Acceleration lanes and traffic pattern	[]	[]	[]
33.	Trash receptacle locations including screening type and height	[]	[]	[]
34.	Mail box locations	[]	[]	[]
35.	Air conditioner unit locations		[]	[]
36.	Special site features (play areas, pools, etc.)		[]	[]
37.	Handicapped facilities	[]	[]	[]
38.	Building elevation drawings		[]	[]

^{*}Where property line surveys, topography, sewer, water or storm drains are shown, the name of the registered engineer or land surveyor preparing such elements of the plan shall be indicated on the plan.

For Office Use Only

		YES/DATE	NO	N/A
1.	Pre-Application Meeting			
2.	Digital Copy of Application Package			
3.	Public Hearing Notice			
4.	CWA Review			
5.	Municipal Services Review		***************************************	
6.	Fire Department Review		***************************************	
7.	Engineering Review			

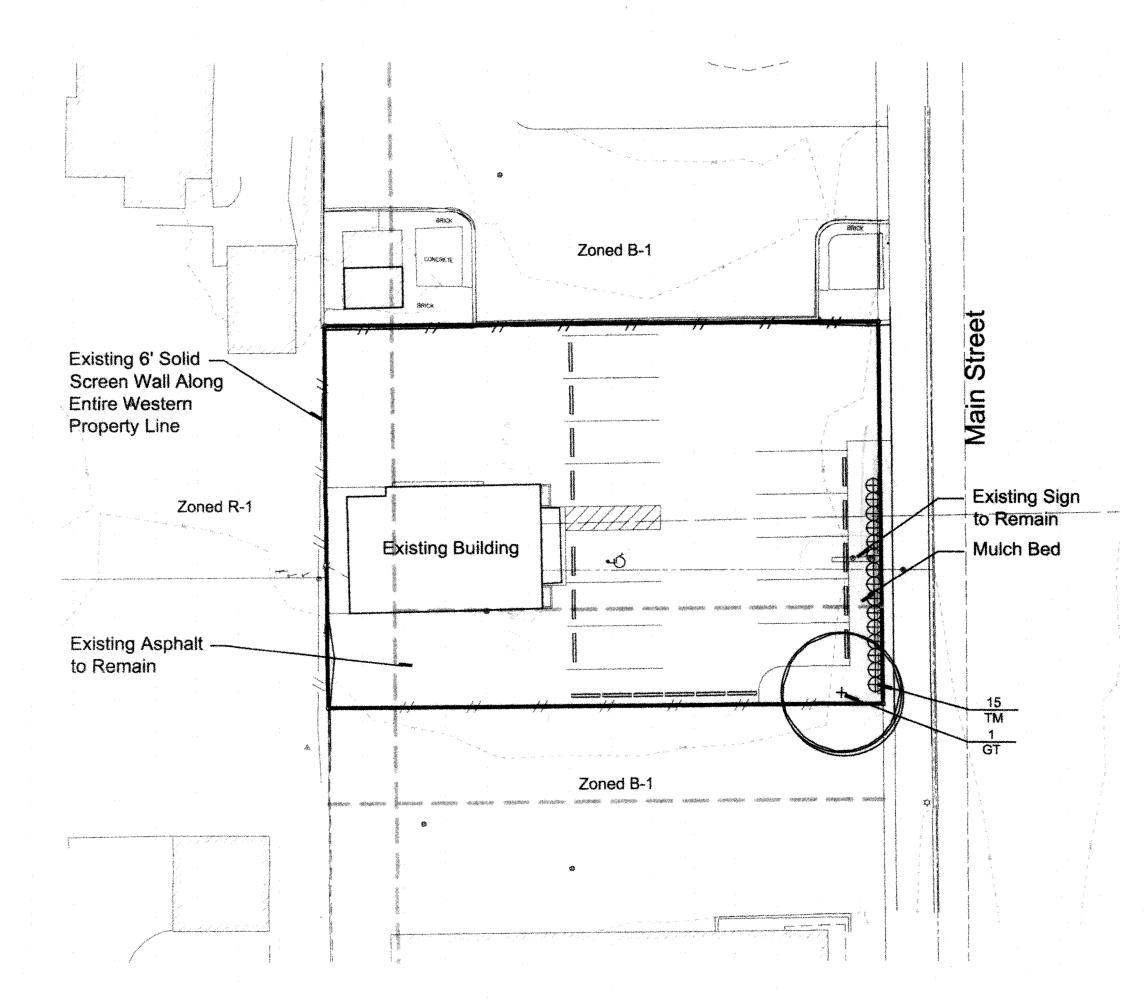


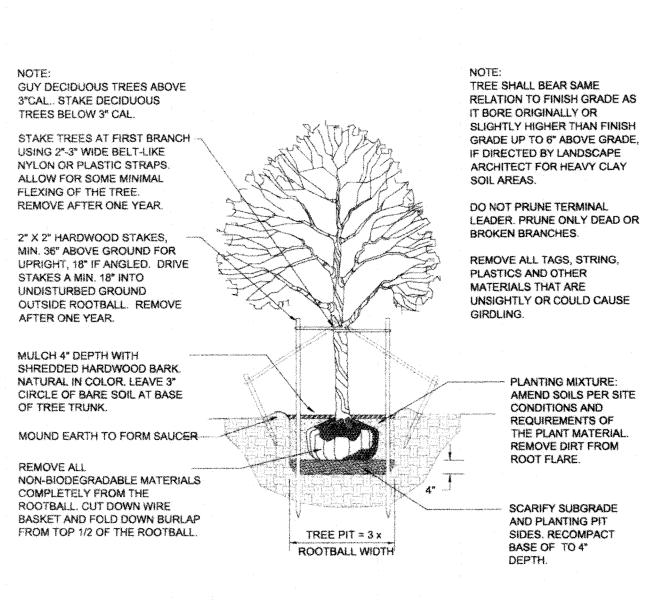


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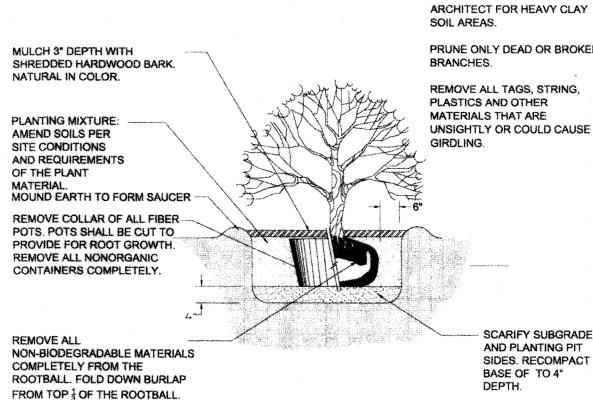
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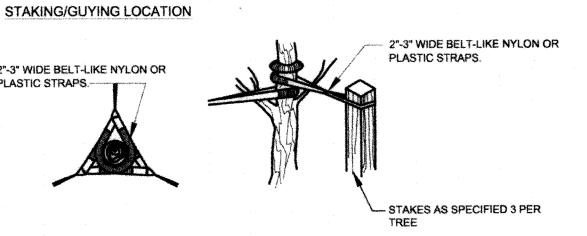


SHRUB PLANTING DETAIL

TREE SHALL BEAR SAME RELATION TO FINISH GRADE AS IT BORE ORIGINALLY OR SLIGHTLY HIGHER THAN FINISH GRADE UP TO 4" ABOVE GRADE, IF DIRECTED BY LANDSCAPE ARCHITECT FOR HEAVY CLAY PRUNE ONLY DEAD OR BROKEN

REMOVE ALL TAGS, STRING, **UNSIGHTLY OR COULD CAUSE**

> 2"-3" WIDE BELT-LIKE NYLON OR PLASTIC STRAPS.



ORIENT STAKING/GUYING TO PREVAILING

WINDS, EXCEPT ON SLOPES GREATER

ORIENTATION FOR ALL PLANTS WITHIN

USE SAME STAKING/GUYING

EACH GROUPING OR AREA

GUYING DETAIL

STAKING DETAIL

TREE STAKING DETAIL

Landscape Summary

Existing Zoning

Parking Lot Screening Parking Lot Frontage

Trees Required

Trees Provided

Shrubs Required

Shrubs Provided

Parking Lot Area

Plant List

condition.

City approval.

Parking Lot Landscape Area

B-1

1 Tree

15 Shrubs

4,646 s.f.

1. All plants shall be north Midwest American region grown, No. 1 grade plant materials,

and shall be true to name, free from physical damage and wind burn. 2. Plants shall be full, well-branched, and in healthy vigorous growing

4. All trees must be staked, fertilized and mulched and shall be guaranteed

to exhibit a normal growth cycle for at least two (2) full years following

5. All material shall conform to the guidelines established in the most recent

6. Provide clean backfill soil, using material stockpiled on site. Soil shall be screened and free of any debris, foreign material, and stone.

8. Amended planting mix shall consist of 1/3 screened topsoil, 1/3 sand and

9. All plantings shall be mulched per planting details located on this sheet. 10. The Landscape Contractor shall be responsible for all work shown on the

No substitutions or changes of location, or plant types shall be made

13. The Landscape Contractor shall be responsible for maintaining all plant material in a vertical condition throughout the guaranteed period.

15. Contractor shall be responsible for checking plant quantities to ensure quantities on drawings and plant list are the same. In the event of a

18. All landscape areas shall be provided with an underground automatic

14. The Landscape Architect shall have the right, at any stage of the installation, to reject any work or material that does not meet the requirements of the

16. The Landscape Contractor shall seed and mulch or sod (as indicated on plans) all areas disturbed during construction, throughout the contract limits. 17. A pre-emergent weed control agent, "Preen" or equal, shall be applied

Sod shall be two year old "Baron/Cheriadelphi" Kentucky Blue Grass grown in a sod nursery on loam soil.

1/3 compost, mixed well and spread to the depth as indicated in planting details.

12. The City of Novi's Landscape Architect shall be notified in writing of any discrepancies between

7. "Agriform" tabs or similar slow-release fertilizer shall be added to the

3. Plants shall be watered before and after planting is complete.

edition of the American Standard for Nursery Stock.

planting pits before being backfilled.

landscape drawings and specifications.

without the approval of the Landscape Architect.

the plans and field conditions prior to installation.

plans and specifications, if requested by owner.

discrepancy, the quantities on the plans shall prevail.

uniformly on top of all mulching in all planting beds.

Landscape Area Required 0 - Parking is Less than 5,000 s.f.

botanical name

1 Gletitsia triacanthos var. Inermis

LANDSCAPE NOTES

TM 15 Taxus x. Media 'Densiformis'

1.4 Tree (42 / 30)

7 Shrubs (42 / 30) x 5

common name

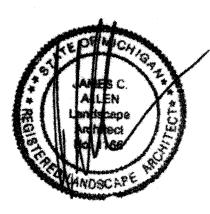
Dense Yew

caliper spacing root height

as shown

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Title:

Landscape Plan

Project:

Canzano Salon Plymouth, Michigan

Prepared for:

Silvia Canzano 570 Byron Street Plymouth, Michigan 48170

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Issued:

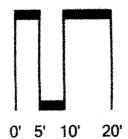
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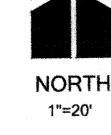
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Date: May 6, 2021

Site Plan Review For Plymouth, Michigan

Applicant: Silvia Canzano

570 Byron

Plymouth, MI 48170

Project Name: 1250 S. Main – Canzano Salon

Plan Date: Not dated

Location: 1250 S. Main St.

Zoning: B-1, Local Business District

Action Requested: Approval of an Amended Site/Landscape Plan

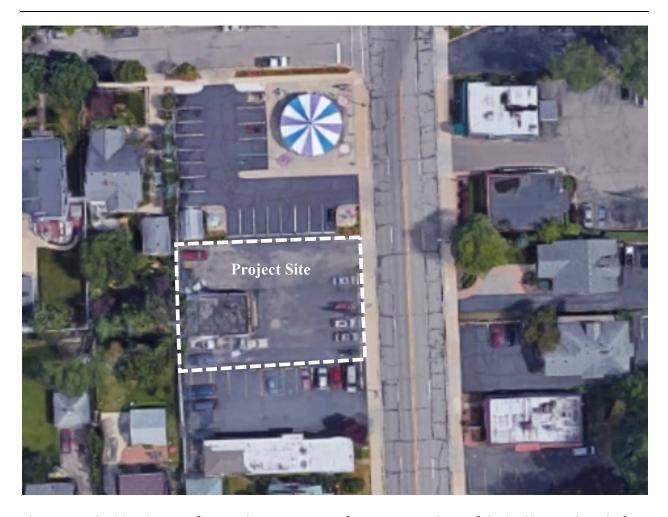
Required Information: Any deficiencies are noted in the report.

PROJECT AND SITE DESCRIPTION

In November 2019, the Planning Commission approved a site plan for a "change of use" at this site. The applicant operates a hair salon in an existing building that is located on the west side of S. Main Street in the B-1, Local Business District. The building was renovated to accommodate eight (8) salon stations.

The applicant is returning to the Planning Commission to modify the landscaping on the site. The applicant is now proposing to install two landscape islands in the parking lot that abuts the Main Street sidewalk. This will reduce the number of available parking spaces from 12 spaces to 11 spaces. Sec. 78-242 requires Site Plan Review of a proposal that decreases an off-street parking lot.

An aerial of the subject site is shown on the next page.



The existing building has one floor and is 1,033 square feet in size. A photo of the building and site before renovations were completed, and a photo showing the renovated building façade, are provided on the next page.

Building and site before renovations were completed.



Source: Google Maps

Renovated building façade.



Source: Canzanocanzano.com

In 2019, the Planning Commission made the following motion regarding the salon use in this building:

A motion was made by Comm. Kehoe, seconded by Comm. Offerman, to approve site plan review SP19-03 for 1250 S. Main. The approval has the following conditions: two trees shall be added to the landscape buffer, the two most southernly parking spaces shall be designated for "compact cars only" by signage, obtain a variance or obtain a shared parking agreement with adjacent property owners for the three deficient parking spaces, show the location of automated trash carts, and approach the City to extend the landscaping to the sidewalk. Additional condition: the site plan shall be amended to reflect these items for administrative approval by the Community Development Department.

PARKING

As indicated above, the proposal reduces the number of parking spaces provided. The original site plan was deficient by 3 parking spaces; therefore, the Planning Commission conditioned its approval on the applicant obtaining a variance for the three spaces, or obtaining a shared parking agreement with an adjacent property owner. From a review of the Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA) meeting minutes, it doesn't appear that the applicant went before the ZBA for a variance. Were they able to obtain a shared parking agreement with a neighbor? This question should be addressed.

The new proposal is removing one more parking space to install a new parking lot landscape island, making the number of spaces further deficient. How does the applicant propose to address this added deficiency?

Items to be Addressed: 1. Was a shared parking agreement obtained from a neighbor to account for the three deficient parking spaces? 2. How does the applicant propose to address the additional one-space deficiency caused by the new parking lot landscape island?

LANDSCAPING

Section 78-203 requires parking lots which are visible from the public right-of-way to have a landscape strip at least 10-feet wide; one tree per 30-linear feet of street frontage; and five shrubs per 30-linear feet of street frontage. The purpose of the landscape strip is to screen the parking lot from the street. For this site, three (3) trees and fifteen (15) shrubs are required. The revised plan shows two landscape islands oriented perpendicular to the sidewalk. It shows ten (10) shrubs in the two landscape islands; and three (3) shrubs on either side of the building.

While the Planning Commission has the ability to modify landscaping requirements, a conflicting provision also exists within the ordinance. When two provisions conflict, the stricter of the two prevails. The salon is reusing an existing building and site. The existing site is currently non-conforming in regard to landscape screening of the parking lot. Sec. 78-351 - Nonconforming lots and sites, states that for projects involving change of use on sites that are nonconforming by reason of landscaping requirements, the site shall be brought into compliance, and landscape buffer strips shall be installed between the right-of-way and parking lot per Sec. 78-203.

Because of this conflict, the non-conforming use provisions are stricter; therefore, the applicant will either need to revise their plans to comply with the ordinance, or obtain a variance.

We have the following comments regarding needed changes to the proposed Landscape Plan:

- 1. The perpendicular orientation of the landscape islands does not screen the parking lot as well as the previous proposal.
- 2. The number of shrubs overall is sufficient; however, as described above, the purpose of the shrub planting is to screen the parking lot from the street. While attractive, planting shrubs on the north and side sides of the building does not accomplish this goal. Also, we assume the shrubs on the north and south sides of the building are in pots or planters? Please confirm.
- 3. The ordinance requires three trees in this parking lot. The revised plan shows one tree; two trees need to be provided. The species of proposed tree needs to be identified on the plans. In addition, the size of all the proposed plant material needs to be specified on the Landscape Plan.
- 4. Regarding plant species, Arborvitae are susceptible to salt spray in the winter. We would recommend a shrub that is more salt-tolerant of these conditions, such as *Rosa rugosa*. Also not evergreen, "Gro Low" Sumac is salt tolerant, fairly maintenance-free, and has nice fall color. The applicant should address this or other alternatives, but the species should not be susceptible to salt spray.

The previous plan, with the addition of two trees, met the ordinance requirements; however, the revised plan does not. The applicant may request a variance from the Board of Zoning Appeals, or may return with an amended plan.

Items to be Addressed: 1. Parking lot screening is insufficient in number of shrubs and trees. 2. Are shrubs proposed on north and south sides of building in pots or planters? 3. Landscape plan to show species of tree, and size of all plant material at time of planting. 4. Alternative species to Arborvitae that are tolerant of salt spray. 5. Applicant to revise Landscape Plan so that it meets ordinance requirements. 6. Applicant seek variance from Board of Zoning appeals to install alternative landscaping that does not meet ordinance requirements.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The proposed changes to the landscape screen raise a number of issues. This change reduces the number of parking spaces, which increases the deficiency for the salon use. This change is also not compliant with the parking lot screening requirements (Sec. 78-203).

We would recommend that the applicant amend the plans so that they are compliant with the ordinance, or seek a variance from the Board of Zoning Appeals. In addition, the applicant will also need to seek a variance (or provide a shared parking agreement) for the additional parking space deficiency of one (1) space.

A summary of the outstanding issues is provided below:

A. Parking and Loading. 1. Was a shared parking agreement obtained from a neighbor to account for the three deficient parking spaces? 2. How does the applicant propose to address the additional one-space deficiency caused by the new parking lot landscape island?

B. Landscaping. 1. Parking lot screening is insufficient in number of shrubs and trees. 2. Are shrubs proposed on north and south sides of building in pots or planters? 3. Landscape plan to show species of tree, and size of all plant material at time of planting. 4. Alternative species to Arborvitae that are tolerant of salt spray. 5. Applicant to revise Landscape Plan so that it meets ordinance requirements. 6. Applicant seek variance from Board of Zoning appeals to install alternative landscaping that does not meet ordinance requirements.

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