| 1  | REGULAR MEETING - ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS |  |  |  |  |
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| 2  | CITY OF NOVI                              |  |  |  |  |
| 3  | TUESDAY, JANUARY 9, 2024                  |  |  |  |  |
| 4  | Council Chambers/Novi Civic Center        |  |  |  |  |
| 5  | 41725 Novi Road                           |  |  |  |  |
| 6  | Novi, Michigan                            |  |  |  |  |
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| 8  | BOARD MEMBERS:                            |  |  |  |  |
| 9  | Joe Peddiboyina, Chairperson              |  |  |  |  |
| 10 | Mike Longo, Secretary                     |  |  |  |  |
| 11 | Linda Krieger, Member                     |  |  |  |  |
| 12 | Jay McLeod, Member                        |  |  |  |  |
| 13 | W. Clift Montague, Member                 |  |  |  |  |
| 14 |   |  |  |  |  |
| 15 | ALSO PRESENT:                             |  |  |  |  |
| 16 | Elizabeth Saarela, City Attorney          |  |  |  |  |
| 17 | Alan Hall, Deputy Community Development   |  |  |  |  |
| 18 | Director                                  |  |  |  |  |
| 19 | Sarah Fletcher, Recording Secretary       |  |  |  |  |
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| 21 | REPORTED BY:                              |  |  |  |  |
| 22 | Cynthia Ann Chyla                         |  |  |  |  |
| 23 | Certified Shorthand Reporter              |  |  |  |  |



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| 1  | AGENDA   |  | 1  | Member Longo.   |
| 2  |  | Page                                     | 2  | MEMBER LONGO: Here.   |
| 3  | Call to Order  | 3  | 3  | MS. FLETCHER: Member Montague.  |
| 4  | Pledge of Allegiance   | 3  | 4  | MEMBER MONTAGUE: Here.  |
| 5  | Roll Call  | 3  | 5  | MS. FLETCHER: Member Krieger.   |
| 6  | Public Hearing Format and Rules of Conduct   | 4  | 6  | MEMBER KRIEGER: Here.   |
| 7  | Approval of Agenda   | 5  |  |   |
| 8  | Minutes - December 2023  | 6  | 7  | MS. FLETCHER: Member McLeod.  |
| -  |  |  | 8  | MEMBER McLEOD: Here.  |
| 9  | Public Remarks   | 6  | 9  | CHAIRPERSON PEDDIBOYINA: Thank you.   |
| 10   | Public Hearings  |  | 10   | And we have the agenda and we have a quorum.  |
| 11   | The Antique Barn, PZ23-0061  | 4  | 11   | Okay.   |
| 12   | Primrose & Swim School, PZ23-0066  | 7  | 12   | Public hearing format and rules of conduct.   |
| 13   | Orchard Development & Construction, LLC  | 17                                       | 13   | And the agenda from December, somebody make a   |
| 14   | PZ23-0067  |  | 14   | motion for the approval of the agenda in December.  |
| 15   | V's Barbershop, PZ23-0068  | 26                                       | 15   | MEMBER LONGO: So moved.   |
| 16   | Colucci Properties, LLC, PZ22-0070   | 43                                       | 16   | MEMBER KRIEGER: Wait, wait, wait.   |
| 17   | Other Matters  | 53                                       | 17   | MEMBER LONGO: I'm sorry.  |
| 18   | Adjournment  | 53                                       |  | •   |
| 19   | Augustiment  | 33                                       | 18   | MR. HALL: I'd like to for today's agenda for  |
|  |  |  | 19   | the the first one, Antique's Barn, I would like to  |
| 20   |  |  | 20   | postpone that to February's meeting.  |
| 21   |  |  | 21   | CHAIRPERSON PEDDIBOYINA: Which one is that?   |
| 22   |  |  | 22   | MR. HALL: The very first one, that's  |
| 23   |  |  | 23   | PZ23-0061.  |
|  | GWA WATER GOAL REPAIR OF WATER   | Page 3                                   | _  | Page 5  |
| 1  | CHAIRPERSON PEDDIBOYINA:   | Okay. Can                                | 1  | CHAIRPERSON PEDDIBOYINA: Okay. Postponed.   |
| 2  | somebody close that door, please.  |  |  | Okay.   |
| 3  | Thank you so much.   |  | 3  | MR. HALL: That's postponed until February's   |
| 4  | Okay. Call to order.   |  | 4  | meeting.  |
| 5  | Pledge of Allegiance followed by our mike  | off.                                     | 5  | MS. SAARELA: What's the date of the February  |
| 6  | (Pledge of Allegiance)   |  | 6  | meeting so it can be reposted?  |
| 7  | CHAIRPERSON PEDDIBOYINA: Thank   | you.                                     | 7  | MR. HALL: February 13th.  |
| 8  | Please be seated and this is the first meeting   | g  | 8  | MS. SAARELA: February 13th? Okay.   |
| 9  | in 2024. Happy New Year to everybody, and ple  | -  |  |   |
|  |  | ase mute                                 | 9  | CHAIRPERSON PEDDIBOYINA: Okay. February   |
| 11   |  | ase mute                                 | ^  | CHAIRPERSON PEDDIBOYINA: Okay. February 13th. Okay. Thank you   |
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| 1 | Minutes an | e done. |
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- 2 Public remarks. Anybody wants to change
- 3 anything on this meeting agenda?
- 4 It looks like none.
- 5 And somebody make an agenda (sic) for this to
- 6 approve to accept this postponed case PZ23-0061 as from
- 7 the city manager and postpone to the February 13th.
- 8 You want to make a motion, somebody?
- 9 MEMBER KRIEGER: Wait a minute. I'm confused.
- 10 I approved the agenda. Are you talking about the
- 11 minutes now?
- 12 CHAIRPERSON PEDDIBOYINA: No, the minutes is
- 13 over.
- 14 MEMBER KRIEGER: I didn't do the minutes. I
- 15 did the agenda.
- 16 CHAIRPERSON PEDDIBOYINA: Okay. Go ahead
- 17 and --
- 18 MEMBER KRIEGER: I move to accept the
- 19 December 2023 minutes.
- 20 MR. MONTAGUE: Second.
- 21 CHAIRPERSON PEDDIBOYINA: Okay. Thank you.
- 22 Any objections? Any nays?
- 23 Say all in favor aye.

- 1 minimum, a variance of 10 feet). This variance will
- 2 enable a proposed lot split in which the proposed
- 3 parking lot will be divided between the two parcels.
- 4 This property is zoned office-Service (OS-1).
- 5 Is anyone present, please.
  - Yeah. Come to the podium, tell your first and
- 7 last name clearly for our record and if you're not an
- 8 attorney our secretary will take the oath.
- 9 MS. KOZLOWSKI: Good evening. Samantha
- 10 Kozlowski with 814 Development --
- 11 THE COURT REPORTER: I'm sorry. Could you
- 12 spell your last name.
- MS. KOZLOWSKI: It's Samantha Kozlowski,
- 14 K-O-Z-L-O-W-S-K-I, and the company is 814 Development.
- 15 MEMBER LONGO: Samantha, are you an attorney?
- MS. KOZLOWSKI: I am not. I'm a development
- 17 manager.
- 18 MEMBER LONGO: Do you promise to tell the
- 19 truth in this case?
- 20 MS. KOZLOWSKI: I do.
- 21 MEMBER LONGO: Thank you.
- THE COURT REPORTER: Wait a minute. I didn't
- 23 see who was speaking. You'll have to ask again.

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- Thank you.Okay. And any public remarks? Any changes?
- 3 Anything? No?
- 4 Okay. As per the city manager today's first
- 5 case is postponed to -- PZ23-0061 postponed to February
- 6 13th.
- 7 And you want to make any motion for this one.
- 8 (Discussion had between Mr. Hall and Ms.
- 9 Saarela)
- 10 CHAIRPERSON PEDDIBOYINA: Make a motion.
- 11 Is everything okay?
- MR. HALL: Yeah. We're trying to --
- 13 CHAIRPERSON PEDDIBOYINA: Okay. We're waiting
- 14 for you both.
- MR. HALL: Yeah. Thank you. We were
- 16 discussing.
- 17 CHAIRPERSON PEDDIBOYINA: Oh. Okay. And
- 18 today's first case for the PZ23-0066 (Primrose & Swim
- 19 School), 43455 Ten Mile Road, south of Ten Mile Road,
- 20 west of Novi Road, Parcel 50-22-27-200-003. The
- 21 applicant is requesting variance from the City of Novi
- 22 Zoning Ordinance 3.1.12.D for a reduction in the
- 23 required side yard parking setbacks to 0 feet (10 feet

- 1 MEMBER LONGO: Ask her again?
- 2 THE COURT REPORTER: Please.
- 3 MEMBER LONGO: Sure. I'm sorry.
- 4 Samantha, are you an attorney?
- 5 MS. KOZLOWSKI: No.
- 6 MEMBER LONGO: Still not an attorney.
- Would you promise to tell the truth in this
- 8 case?
- 9 MS. KOZLOWSKI: Yes.
- 10 MEMBER LONGO: Thank you.
- 11 CHAIRPERSON PEDDIBOYINA: Yeah. Please go
- 12 ahead, Samantha, and I know if we can help you tonight,
- 13 and you can explain to the Board and we'll see.
- 14 MS. KOZLOWSKI: Absolutely.
- 15 Good evening. I'm a development manager for
- 16 814 Development. We are working on this Primrose & Swim
- 17 School project on Ten Mile Road. I know that this
- 18 project has been in front of you before, in front of the
- 19 ZBA, and there were a couple of different variances that
- 20 we've received on this property in the past.
- We are now in front of you this evening for a
- 22 variance that would be required for the parking setback,
- 23 and the reason that we're asking for this variance is so

- 1 that we can split this parcel into two separate parcels.
- 2 Basically what we're looking to accomplish is
- 3 to have the child care parcel and the swim school parcel
- 4 separate from one another. In doing that we will have
- 5 cross access and cross parking across the entirety of
- 6 the two parcels. So as you'll notice the drive aisles
- 7 are -- the curb cuts are both shown on the parcel where
- 8 the swim school will be located -- I'm sorry, where the
- 9 child care will be located.
- 10 So they will both have access to those drive
- 11 aisles or all the parking spaces will be able to be
- 12 utilized by both users and the clients of both of those
- 13 businesses.
- So it's our intention to create a cohesive
- 15 multi-tenant development that will have use between the
- 16 parcels and then we will have the shared access,
- 17 maintenance and then parking agreements as well in
- 18 place. Those drafts are already in review with the City
- 19 of Novi's Legal Department at this time.
- 20 CHAIRPERSON PEDDIBOYINA: Okay. I know you
- 21 have that, and do you have anything to show to public
- 22 tonight on the projector?
- MS. KOZLOWSKI: We do not have anything in
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- 1 addition to show other than that what was submitted with
- 2 the package, so that being the site plan showing the
- 3 depiction of the actual lot split line. As you can see,
- 4 we have that located on the west side of one of the curb
- 5 cuts off of Ten Mile Road.
- 6 CHAIRPERSON PEDDIBOYINA: Okay. Anything you
- 7 would like to add?
- 8 MS. KOZLOWSKI: We've appreciated working with
- 9 the City of Novi with this project so far. We're very
- 10 well into our final site plan review and we feel that
- 11 we've made a lot of changes to this property, a lot of
- 12 revisions and improvements for the better just working
- 13 through the city's engineering and building department
- 14 trying to come up with an excellent cohesive development
- 15 that we think can really benefit the community.
- We know that there is an existing vacant
- 17 retirement home on this property and we would love to
- 18 redevelop it into something that is of a great use for
- 19 the families of the City of Novi. We think that both a
- 20 child care center and a swim school would be a benefit
- 21 to all in the community.
- So we thank you for your support in this
- 23 project and I'm happy to answer any questions that you

- 1 might have.
- 2 CHAIRPERSON PEDDIBOYINA: Okay. Excellent.
- 3 Thank you so much.
- 4 From the City any comments?
- 5 MR. HALL: Thank you, Mr. Chairman.
- 6 This is the property where the Whitehall
- 7 Healthcare Center is now. That's scheduled to be
- 8 demo'ed and these two buildings are going to go up as
- 9 she suggested. They're here for a 0 lot line setback
- 10 for both properties, so each property would be required
- 11 to have a 0 set line -- 0 line setback variance. So
- 12 that makes sense. But we don't have the properties yet
- 13 because it's not split, so what we're doing tonight is
- 14 approving the split that they'll have those variances
- 15 put in when we need them if that makes sense.
- 16 CHAIRPERSON PEDDIBOYINA: Okay. Sounds good.
- 17 Thank you so much. Okay.
- 18 All right. And correspondence, secretary.
- 19 MEMBER LONGO: There were 23 mailed out, three
- 20 returned, no objections and no approvals.
- 21 CHAIRPERSON PEDDIBOYINA: Thank you so much.
- Okay. So open to the Board. Anybody would
- 23 like to comment on this case, please open to the Board.
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  - Yeah. Linda, please go ahead.
- 2 MEMBER KRIEGER: And you've been to the
- 3 Planning Commission with this already?
- 4 MS. KOZLOWSKI: Yes, we have.
- 5 MEMBER KRIEGER: Okay. Thank you.
- 6 CHAIRPERSON PEDDIBOYINA: Okay. Michael.
- 7 MEMBER MONTAGUE: Are these going to be
- 8 separate owners of the property or are they one -- I
- 9 mean same owner of property and two different tenants?
- MS. KOZLOWSKI: It would be the same owner of
- 11 property but two different tenants with separate leases.
- 12 MEMBER MONTAGUE: Thank you.
- 13 CHAIRPERSON PEDDIBOYINA: Okay. Michael, do
- 14 you have any comments on this?
- 15 MEMBER LONGO: I guess to cover his point I
- 16 understand what you're doing and I approve and I think
- 17 it's great. I don't understand why you separate. Why
- 18 can't it just be one property?
- MS. KOZLOWSKI: For us on the ownership side
- 20 it is better for tax purposes to have the property taxes
- 21 allocated to --
  - MEMBER LONGO: Say no more.
- 23 MS. KOZLOWSKI: -- specific tenants. Just



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- kind of keeping things separate, keeping the tenants
- separate on their own parcel. They can have their own
- address instead of their own suite number, something
- like that. So for us it's just more clarity and it's
- just a little bit cleaner of a process when we're
- communicating a parcel or transferring a parcel over to
- 7 another tenant for their use.
- 8 MEMBER LONGO: Thank you.
- 9 MS. KOZLOWSKI: Yeah.
- 10 CHAIRPERSON PEDDIBOYINA: Okay. This is your
- 11 swim school, no?
- 12 MS. KOZLOWSKI: Yes.
- CHAIRPERSON PEDDIBOYINA: Okay. Do you know 13
- 14 that tenant, what is that business?
- 15 Ms. KOZLOWSKI: I'm sorry?
- CHAIRPERSON PEDDIBOYINA: The other tenant 16
- 17 business.

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- 18 MS. KOZLOWSKI: Oh, it's a daycare facility.
- 19 CHAIRPERSON PEDDIBOYINA: Oh, the daycare
- 20 facility and also swimming?
- 21 MS. KOZLOWSKI: Yes.

believe 6 weeks to 6 years of age.

Okay. Looks like none.

CHAIRPERSON PEDDIBOYINA: Is the swimming for 22

MSS. KOZLOWSKI: They have all ages, so

CHAIRPERSON PEDDIBOYINA: Okay. Any other

MEMBER LONGO: I move that we approve the --

grant the variance in Case Number PZ23-0066 sought by

Primrose School for a 0 setback variance for both

difficulty in addressing -- in addresses, tax issues,

variance the petitioner will be unreasonably

property because of being only one property.

get restarted. The petitioner did not create the

there, is already sitting there.

condition because the property was already sitting

The relief granted will not unreasonably

interfere with the adjacent or surrounding properties

and so forth. The variant -- excuse me, without the

permitted -- or limited with respect to the use of the

The property is unique because it is offering

two separate issues -- two separate businesses when they

properties because the petitioner has shown practical

different classes for all ages. And the daycare is I

comments on anything, anybody on the Board?

Michael, make a motion, please.

23 the kids or adults also?

- 1 because it really doesn't have any effect on the
- associated or nearby businesses or homes.
- 3 The relief is consistent with the spirit and
- the intent of the ordinance because it is -- while the
- 5 variance is there it doesn't really create a problem for
- anyone else.
- 7 CHAIRPERSON PEDDIBOYINA: Okay. Somebody
- 8 can --
- 9 MEMBER KRIEGER: Second.
- 10 CHAIRPERSON PEDDIBOYINA: Okay. Thank you,
- Linda. 11
- 12 MEMBER KRIEGER: Second with the amendment,
- from the amendment to include the parking, that it 13
- 14 alleviates the parking requirements and the wetland
- 15 area.
- 16 CHAIRPERSON PEDDIBOYINA: Okay.
- 17 MEMBER KRIEGER: Do you accept that?
- 18 MEMBER LONGO: Absolutely. Very good. Thank
- 19 you.
- 20 CHAIRPERSON PEDDIBOYINA: Okay. Roll call,
- 21 please.
- 22 MS. FLETCHER: Chairperson Peddiboyina.
- 23 CHAIRPERSON PEDDIBOYINA: Yes, please.

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- MS. FLETCHER: Member McLeod. 1
  - 2 MEMBER McLEOD: Yes. 3 MS. FLETCHER: Member Montague?
  - 4 MEMBER MONTAGUE: Yes.
  - 5 MS. FLETCHER: Member Krieger.
  - MEMBER KRIEGER: Yes. 6
  - 7 MS. FLETCHER: Member Longo.
  - 8 MEMBER LONGO: Yes.
  - 9 MS. FLETCHER: Thank you.
  - 10 Motion passes.
  - 11 CHAIRPERSON PEDDIBOYINA: Go on to the next
  - 12 matter.
  - 13 MEMBER LONGO: Good luck.
  - 14 CHAIRPERSON PEDDIBOYINA: And today's Case
  - Number PZ23-0067 (Orchard Development & Construction, 15
  - LLC), 30551 Novi Road, south of Fourteen Mile Road, west
  - of Novi Road, Parcel 50-22-02-177-037. The applicant is 17
  - requesting variance from the City of Novi Zoning
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  - Ordinance Section 4.19.1.E.i for an increase in garage 19
  - 20 square foot coverage to 1,559 square feet (850 square
  - 21 feet maximum, variance of 709 square feet). This
  - variance would accommodate a garage addition. This
  - property is zoned One-Family Residential (R-4).



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that they've chosen.

- 1 The applicant, please. Please come to the 2 podium. Please spell your first and last name clearly 3 for our record. And if you're not an attorney our
- 4 secretary will take the oath.
- 5 And who is presenting come to the podium and one of you can talk. 6
- 7 MR. COWAN: Thank you very much, Chairman, and Zoning Board Members. My name is Dennis 8
- Cowan. That's C-O-W-A-N. I'm an attorney with Plunkett 9
- Cooney and I promise to tell the truth. 10
- 11 With me this evening are Tom Shaffou of
- Orchard Construction who is the builder of the proposed
- home. He is technically the applicant but the variance 13
- will benefit the owners which Mr. Kashat is here, Eddie
- Kashat, and his wife who are residents of Novi. They
- live -- they have lived for 12 years in the Ten Mile and
- 17 Beck area on Broadmoor Street.
- 18 We are proposing to build a special home for a
- special family. This is, in essence, a request to have 19
- 20 a garage which will facilitate two vans to transport
- their disabled adult children who are 28 and 32 years
- old; also to allow a ramp to be built within the garage
- 23 to then allow them to be transferred in and out of the
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  - - - 1 or anything of that nature, and there is separation from

1 we're only asking for a single variance. We

respectfully request that variance. The practical

difficulty results if the variance is denied they have

and they want to build this home in Novi at the site

nowhere to go in Novi. They would love to stay in Novi

If the variance were denied and they were to

build at this site they would have no choice but to have

the ramp outside of the home and expose their children

visit friends, or the daughter likes to come to the Novi

library, would expose them to rain, snow, wind, kind of

a day like today that none of us like and it would be an

This is not a self-created variance. It's not

variance necessary. The good news is is that this isn't

nonconformity. The lot, if you're familiar with it, is

stay -- that's correct? -- the woods are going to stay

a very large lot. It's wooded. The woods are going to

so this doesn't create any, you know, setback problems

a matter of convenience. It really is the minimum

causing any other request for a variance or a

and themselves when they are doing the transfer for

medical reasons or to the hospital for therapy or to

2 that home with the rest of the subdivision and it's

additional imposition on them.

- adjacent to I think it's called Hickory Woods School is
- right nearby.
- 5 We also and most importantly I think to you
- and to Novi this request and your granting of it would
- be very consistent with the Fair Housing Act and the
- Americans with Disabilities Act which does promote and
- require decisions that allow medical conditions to have
- accommodations. This is clearly one of those
- 11 situations. The need for the family is something
- greater than the normal general public and it would not 12
- 13 result in any type of fundamental change in your
- 14 rezoning ordinance.
- 15 So we respectfully request this variance for
- the reasons stated and we agree with the staff report 16
- 17 that was submitted to you.
- 18 CHAIRPERSON PEDDIBOYINA: Thank you, Dennis.
- 19 I appreciate the case, this thing, on this neurology
- problem, and I saw the medical report also. 20
- 21 MR. COWAN: Yes.
  - CHAIRPERSON PEDDIBOYINA: The doctor specialty
- 23 in neurology.

1 home.

- 2 Both suffer from a very rare disease which
- Dr. Delly, I have attached in the letter, his letter of
- diagnosis that they've had for several years. It's
- called generalized severe dystonia. It causes severe
- muscle spasms that result in repetitive and twisting
- movements which cannot be controlled by either of the
- children and it significantly interferes with their
- normal life activities. They must have 24/7 care that's
- 10 provided by the parents and others.
- 11 As a result of one of -- the son can only be
- moved on what's called a medical stretcher which has a
- padding on it, and the daughter, Natalia, is wheelchair-
- 14 bound at this time.
- 15 So the new home -- and I included a letter
- 16 from Mr. Shaffou to show that -- you know, to
- demonstrate the needs that the family has. In addition 17
- to the garage to accommodate two vans, handicapped vans, 18
- we also have the ramp, but we also have an elevator in
- the home. All the passage ways will be wider. This
- will be a totally accessible home to accommodate the two
- 22 children and to assist the family in their care.
- 23 From the background in terms of the variance



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Anybody?

Okay. Looks like none.

CHAIRPERSON PEDDIBOYINA: Thank you.

MEMBER MONTAGUE: All right. I move that we

And I open for the motion, Clift Montague.

grant the variance in Case Number PZ23-0067, sought by

Orchard Development & Construction for an increase in

garage square footage to 1559 square feet which is a

1 Okay. And let's see how things will go. 2 Do you want to add any more things on this 3 case? 4 MR. COWAN: No. I think we're -- you know, again, they've lived here for many years and hope to 5 live here the rest of their lives with their children. CHAIRPERSON PEDDIBOYINA: Sorry. Okay. Thank 7 8 you. 9 MR. COWAN: Okay. 10 CHAIRPERSON PEDDIBOYINA: And anybody would 11 like to join in this case to talk about anything, or no? 12 Okay. So from the City. 13 MR. HALL: Mr. Chairman, yes, they are asking 14 for a large garage variance. It is on a 3-acre parcel 15 and we have no objections. CHAIRPERSON PEDDIBOYINA: Thank you so much. 16 17 I appreciate. 18 Okay. And from the secretary, correspondence, 19 please. Okay. 20 067, the case number 067. 21 MEMBER LONGO: Sorry. 22 Twenty-eight were mailed out, two were

| 3 returned, no objections and no approvals.              |  |  |
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| 1 CHAIRPERSON PEDDIBOYINA: Thank you so much.            |  |  |
| 2 I appreciate it. Okay.                                 |  |  |
| 3 And public hearing, anybody would like to              |  |  |
| 4 comment on this case, this is the time where you can   |  |  |
| 5 speak on this before going to the Board.               |  |  |
| 6 Okay. Looks like none.                                 |  |  |
| Yeah, before I open the Board I would like to            |  |  |
| 8 comment. Dennis, can you please stand and come to the  |  |  |
| 9 podium until this case is done. I appreciate it, thank |  |  |
| 10 you so much.  |  |  |
| 11 MR. COWAN: Okay.                                      |  |  |
| 12 CHAIRPERSON PEDDIBOYINA: Okay. And, yeah,             |  |  |
| 13 you present very well. I have nothing to say, and let |  |  |
| 14 me open to my Board on what they say decision, I open |  |  |
| 15 that.   |  |  |
| MR. COWAN: Sure.   |  |  |

CHAIRPERSON PEDDIBOYINA: Board Members.

MEMBER MONTAGUE: Thank you. Very clear

presentation. I did go and walk the site. It is a large site. The siting of the site plan is done very

well in terms of screening so definitely I'll be in

MR. COWAN: Thank you very much.

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support of this.

| 9  | variance of 709 square feet.                              |  |  |
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| 10 | Without the variance the petitioner would be              |  |  |
| 11 | unreasonably prevented or limited with respect to use of  |  |  |
| 12 | the property because of the special medical condition of  |  |  |
| 13 | the children which requires a special accommodation and   |  |  |
| 14 | would potentially expose the children to unsafe           |  |  |
| 15 | conditions if they had to transfer outside.               |  |  |
| 16 | The property is unique. It's a large lot, lot             |  |  |
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| 19 | the new facility to accommodate the existing medical      |  |  |
| 20 | conditions.   |  |  |
| 21 | The relief granted will not unreasonably                  |  |  |
| 22 | interfere with the surrounding properties because of the  |  |  |
| 23 | size of the lot, a very nice site plan and more than      |  |  |
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| 1  | adequate setbacks.  |  |  |
| 2  | The relief is consistent with the spirit and              |  |  |
| 3  | intent of the ordinance because it allows the use of      |  |  |
| 4  | this in a proper and important accommodation of medical . |  |  |
| 5  | issues.   |  |  |
| 6  | MEMBER KRIEGER: Second.                                   |  |  |
| 7  | CHAIRPERSON PEDDIBOYINA: Thank you so much,               |  |  |
| 8  | Linda, and I appreciate it.                               |  |  |
| 9  | And roll call, please.                                    |  |  |
| 10 | MS. FLETCHER: Chairperson Peddiboyina.                    |  |  |
| 11 | CHAIRPERSON PEDDIBOYINA: Yes, please.                     |  |  |
| 12 | MS. FLETCHER: Member Longo.                               |  |  |
| 13 | MEMBER LONGO: Absolutely yes.                             |  |  |
| 14 | MS. FLETCHER: Member Montague.                            |  |  |
| 15 | MEMBER MONTAGUE: Yes.                                     |  |  |
| 16 | MS. FLETCHER: Member Krieger.                             |  |  |
| 17 | MEMBER KRIEGER: Yes.                                      |  |  |
| 18 | MS. FLETCHER: Member McLeod.                              |  |  |
| 19 | MEMBER McLEOD: Yes.                                       |  |  |
| 20 | MS. FLETCHER: Thank you. Motion passes.                   |  |  |
| 21 | CHAIRPERSON PEDDIBOYINA: Congratulations,                 |  |  |
| 22 | Dennis. I appreciate it. Thank you so much.               |  |  |

MR. COWAN: Mr. Chairman and Board Members, I

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- just want to tell you for Tom and I and others who have
- been involved in this it's really been a special event.
- We both know the family, and I just want to tell you 3
- that I know Mr. Kashat can't wait to get home. You've
- made a family very happy tonight. They can build their
- dream special home here in Novi. 6
- 7 Thank you.
- 8 CHAIRPERSON PEDDIBOYINA: Thank you so much.
- 9 Good luck. I appreciate it.
- 10 MR. COWAN: Thank you.
- CHAIRPERSON PEDDIBOYINA: And Case Number 11
- PZ23-0068 (V's Barbershop) 47972 Grand River Avenue,
- 13 north of Grand River Avenue, west of Beck Road, Parcel
- 50-22-17-226-020. The applicant is requesting variance
- from the City of Novi Sign Ordinance Section 28-5(a) to
- allow an additional wall sign (maximum of one wall sign
- is allowed for this tenant, a variance of one additional
- wall sign), Section 28-10(b)(4) to allow an animated
- sign (animated signs are prohibited). This variance 19
- would accommodate an animated barber pole sign. This 20
- 21 property is zoned Community Business (B-2).
- 22 Is applicant present, please. Come to the
- podium. Please tell your first and last name clearly
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- universal the barber pole symbol is. It's been used for 1
- hundreds of years. Everybody knows what it means across

reasons. One is that we have low visibility and the

type of -- the particular type of business we are.

other is that we have nothing eye- catching to people

So regarding the visibility issue we are

located on a very busy road that's 50 miles per hour.

that's pretty mature and then when it's leafed out it's

especially really difficult to see. We have -- we're a

small storefront, kind of sandwiched between a lot of

Adding a barber pole on the outside of the

shop would attract attention in a couple different ways.

Most of the traffic that goes by us is heading to Home

eye-catching enough that it would draw people to our

we're by. But for people just driving past on Grand

River they really wouldn't see that we're here -- we're

communicating the type of business we are, I've put a

bunch of, you know, pictures of, you know, just how

Depot, and, so, having something there would be

store, and that's kind of the closest entrance that

And then the second issue as far as

There's quite a bit of vegetation right on the road

other small storefronts as well.

that are driving past us that communicates to people the

- every -- across the globe. It's used actually for a
- couple barber shops in Novi at Meadowbrook and Ten Mile.
- One has a traditional barber pole. That's Novi Family
- Barbers. The other is kind of using the barber pole
- image on flags and graphics on top of the store.
- 8 And, so, we're asking that, you know, that we
- be able to communicate the very traditional type of barbershop that we are. We're different than a salon
- and other types of places that also give, you know,
- 12 haircuts to men but we are more like a hot
- 13 lather/straight razor/shave. We also provide haircuts
- but the barber pole would help us to communicate that
- we're, you know, that we're a little bit different than 15
- 16 those around us and kind of put us on a -- more like an
- 17 even with the other barbershops in town.
- 18 So, yeah, I don't have -- you know, it would
- 19 just help us draw more traffic to us.
- 20 CHAIRPERSON PEDDIBOYINA: Okay, Carolyn, thank
- 21 you.
- 22 And do you have any presentation or anything
- 23 you want to show to the audience?

for the record and if you're not an attorney my

secretary will take the oath. Thank you. 2

3 MS. MILAN: Good evening. My name is Carolyn

- Milan. My last name is spelled M as in Mary I-L-A-N.
- I'm with SEM1, LLC and that's -- and I'm a co-owner of
- V's Barbershop at 47972 Grand River Avenue. 6
- 7 MEMBER LONGO: Excuse me. Are you an
- 8 attorney?
- 9 MS. MILAN: I'm not an attorney.
- 10 MEMBER LONGO: Do you promise to tell the
- truth in this case? 11
- 12 MS. MILAN: I do.
- 13 MEMBER LONGO: Thank you.
- 14 CHAIRPERSON PEDDIBOYINA: Thank you so much.
- And, Carolyn, please go ahead and proceed where we can 15
- 16 help you tonight on this case.
- 17 MS. MILAN: Yeah. We are a new business
- opened for just under a month at the West Market Square 18
- strip mall, which is a fairly lage strip mall. We're
- kind of off to the side a little bit and we're
- requesting a -- respectfully requesting a variance to
- the zoning ordinances saying that we're not allowed to
- have a barber pole there because -- for a couple of



- 1 MS. MILAN: One thing that is not in my packet 2 is the two other barbershops.
- 3 CHAIRPERSON PEDDIBOYINA: Yeah, you can on the
- 4 slide -- under the -- yeah.
- 5 (Document displayed)
- 6 MS. MILAN: These are the ones that I
- 7 mentioned earlier.
- 8 There is also another V's Barbershop which
- 9 is -- it's a franchise. It's in Royal Oak. They also
- 10 have a barber pole and it's just, you know, every other
- 11 V's Barbershop -- there's about 60 in the country -- has
- 12 a barber pole as well.
- 13 CHAIRPERSON PEDDIBOYINA: Is it a franchise
- 14 one or by your own?
- MS. MILAN: V's Barbershop is a franchise.
- 16 CHAIRPERSON PEDDIBOYINA: Okay. They have
- 17 their own standard signs?
- 18 MS. MILAN: Yes.
- 19 CHAIRPERSON PEDDIBOYINA: Okay. From the
- 20 City.

- 21 MR. HALL: Thank you, Mr. Chairman.
- Do you have a photo of the sign you're going
- 23 to be using with you?

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- MS. MILAN: Yeah. I'm sorry, I thought it
- 2 would be --
- 3 MR. HALL: No, that's fine. I just want to
- 4 put it on so they can see it.
- 5 MS. MILAN: Okay.
- 6 (Document displayed)
- 7 MS. MILAN: This is the proposed mock-up.
- 8 Currently our storefront looks exactly like that except
- 9 for the barber pole.
- 10 CHAIRPERSON PEDDIBOYINA: Okay.
- MR. HALL: So I do want to make some comments.
- 12 So the -- she's seeking a variance for two
- 13 additional variances, one is for an additional sign and
- 14 the other that the barbershop is animated in the sense
- 15 that -- I'm going to try to explain this so we
- 16 understand each other -- it's going to be inside a lens
- 17 and the cylinder spins and it looks like the barbershop
- 18 is going like a candy cane kind of look.
- 19 Is that correct.
- 20 MS. MILAN: Yes.
- MR. HALL: So it's not extra verbiage, it's
- 22 just -- that is considered a sign projected from the
- 23 wall and it's actually doing a screw.

- So just for the record there's not going to be
- 2 any words or text or any kind of animated graphics that
- 3 would be beyond this description; is that correct?
- 4 MS. MILAN: That's correct, yeah.
- 5 MR. HALL: Otherwise we have no -- we're good.
- 6 CHAIRPERSON PEDDIBOYINA: Are there any
- 7 animated signs allowed in the City of Novi?
- 8 MR. HALL: They're not allowed but this is a
- 9 lesser animation, if you want to say that. It's not
- 10 something that's going to catch your eye in the sense of
- 11 graphics, fireworks, these kind of things, LEDs flashing
- 12 and things that would be a nuisance. This is a
- 13 screw-type typical barbershop-type thing. But it is
- 14 considered animated and animated is prohibited in the
- 15 zoning districts so it has to have a variance.
- 16 CHAIRPERSON PEDDIBOYINA: Okay. Thank you. I
- 17 appreciate it.
- 18 Okay. Correspondence, secretary.
- 19 MEMBER LONGO: Fifty were mailed out, three
- 20 were returned, and no objections and no approvals.
- 21 CHAIRPERSON PEDDIBOYINA: Thank you so much.
- Okay. Open to the public. Anybody would like
- 23 to comment on this, please?

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- 1 Looks like none.
  - 2 Okay. As per my City Manager mentioned
  - 3 animated are not appropriate -- not allowed in the City
  - 4 of Novi. And I don't know how to say that, and it's
  - 5 open to the Board what the Board decision and open to
  - 6 the Board.

- 7 MEMBER McLEOD: I have two questions based on
- 8 what you commented on.
- 9 You said that it would be -- having the
- 10 barber, the traditional barber spiral there would be
- 11 eye- catching to draw people to the store from the lot.
- 12 So you mean when people drive into you said Home Depot?
- 13 MS. MILAN: Yeah.
  - MEMBER McLEOD: Do you think that would
- 15 attract more attention, that sign, versus the barbershop
- 16 on the top of the store?
- 17 MS. MILAN: Yes. There's a -- what you can't
- 18 see in the picture that -- of our storefront there is
- 19 that there's a lot of small shops all in a row and the
- 20 storefront signs that are lit kind of keep you from
- 21 distinguishing each as you're driving past it, you know.
- 22 It is a bit on the smaller side, our sign as well, as
- 23 are the other signs adjacent to us.

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1 MEMBER McLEOD: Do you have any, continuing on 1 also know if I see that thing -- if I see that thing 2 I'll know immediately what it is, Number 1. 2 the first question, do you have any evidence or indication that when people drive by the place like the 3 3 Number 2, it's kind of mentioned Novi doesn't barbershop that they have the inclination Oh, I know want these things that attract, particularly out on 5 what this is, I should, you know, now go there, versus Grand River, you can't see -- well, you can see that 6 people in 2024, people use their phones, people Google from Grand River but you're not going to be distracting. barbershop near me, hair salon near me, Google those It's a very -- it's called animated but it's not really terms and go to those stores directly as opposed to just 8 animated. 9 happening to drive by a place and feel the interest to 9 I really see absolutely no problem. I think go? that it will help you. You will get a few more 10 10 customers. Like you said, you're going to get Google 11 MS. MILAN: Yeah. We've been keeping track of 11 how people find us, actually, and I'm surprised at how 12 and all those other things but this is just another way. And I personally would notice that even though I didn't many people are telling me, you know, I just happened to 13 13 be walking by on foot and, you know, I saw that there notice the barbershop thing running in and out of the 14 was something new there. Although we do get a lot of 15 pet store. I have no problem with this. traffic from Google, I would say it's not our 16 CHAIRPERSON PEDDIBOYINA: Okay. Thank you. predominant -- predominantly how we get most of our 17 18 clients. We're doing a lot of marketing. 18 MEMBER KRIEGER: For clarification, on one of 19 MEMBER McLEOD: And then my second question 19 the parts of information that were given to us the pole 20 is: You mentioned that the pole communicates the type 20 model number 88, 60-watt bulb, so that would be -- it of business? 21 21 could go for LED because it would be less expensive 22 MS. MILAN: Yeah. which is smart, but for clarification of it's the LED 23 MEMBER McLEOD: The name of the place is V's 23 light, the bulb light on the interior and then the red Page 37 Barbershop. 1 and blue swirls around it? 1 2 2 MS. MILAN: Right. MS. MILAN: Yes. 3 3 MEMBER KRIEGER: And then would that be on MEMBER McLEOD: The barbershop in the name I 4 think communicates the type of business. just your opening hours? 5 MS. MILAN: You're right. What the barber 5 MS. MILAN: That's correct, yeah. pole -- the difference between our barbershop and many 6 MEMBER KRIEGER: Okay. And, also, for -other barbershops is that we do quite a few -- we're 7 Olga's is right there and people coming -- going to Home very traditional looking on the inside. We have six Depot, it would be an attraction for more customers, and antique totally refurbished chairs. We're really trying then the majority of people coming in and out of the to go for that very traditional look, and the barber 10 Olga's have grubs so they're coming from across the pole is just a universal symbol of a very traditional street as well, so that would be an enhancement and 11 11 barbershop. There's not a lot of shops that really do attraction so I would be in support as well. 12 CHAIRPERSON PEDDIBOYINA: Thank you, Linda. that. It's more of an experience than, you know, check 13 14 off your list type of thing; it's very -- a lot of hot Any other Board Member, please. lather/straight razor shaves versus other barbershops in 15 Okay. Motion. MEMBER McLEOD: I'm outvoted on this one. I town which are maybe 1 percent shaves and mostly just 16 17 haircuts. 17 move that we deny the variance in Case Number PZ23-0068 18 sought by V's Barbershop for an extra sign that is MEMBER McLEOD: Okay. 18 19 CHAIRPERSON PEDDIBOYINA: Okay. Thank you. animated because the petitioner has not shown practical 19 20 Any other --20 difficulty because the sign that currently exists is 21 MEMBER LONGO: Yeah. I'm a customer of the 21 plenty visible to customers even from the street. The pet store a couple doors down and I never noticed you 22 new sign would be very low on the building and seems



duplicative and unnecessary.

were there. To your point it does say barbershop, but I

1 The failure to grant the relief will not MEMBER KRIEGER: So we need two-thirds for 2 unreasonably prevent or limit the use of the property 2 five people tonight? and will not result in substantially more than a mere 3 MR. HALL: No, it's a majority. 3 inconvenience or an ability to obtain higher economic or 4 CHAIRPERSON PEDDIBOYINA: Okay. The majority financial return because there's not really evidence 5 is -- yeah, two-thirds of the vote. Okay. that shows an additional sign will drive incremental --6 We're all set for that one. that much incremental walk-in traffic, and in 2024 you 7 Somebody make a second. 7 can find problems -- solutions to problems that are 8 No. newer than 1950. I think it's an outdated solution. 9 Okay. Roll call, please. 10 10 CHAIRPERSON PEDDIBOYINA: Do you need to have MR. HALL: We can't, we don't have a second. 11 MEMBER KRIEGER: No, you can't, there's no two -- there are two variances mentioned and do you propose two of them or --12 second. 13 13 MR. HALL: It's two but I think they're --MR. HALL: There's no second. MEMBER KRIEGER: So that motion dies. 14 CHAIRPERSON PEDDIBOYINA: Motions instead of 14 15 15 one motion? MS. SAARELA: There's no second so you don't 16 MR. HALL: There are two variances but --16 need to vote on it. 17 MS. SAARELA: So, yeah, you can put them in a 17 MR. HALL: There is no motion. 18 motion, you don't have to make separate motions. 18 CHAIRPERSON PEDDIBOYINA: Roll call? CHAIRPERSON PEDDIBOYINA: Yeah, that's what 19 19 MR. HALL: No. 20 20 I'm thinking. MS. FLETCHER: We're not voting. 21 MR. HALL: Because I think the extra sign 21 MS. SAARELA: So there's no second. Then it 22 actually is the animated sign. 22 fails. 23 CHAIRPERSON PEDDIBOYINA: Yeah. The animated 23 MR. HALL: So now we need a motion. Page 41 CHAIRPERSON PEDDIBOYINA: Thank you. one is one and the other one is a regular one. 1 1 2 2 Can you make that one? MS. SAARELA: So you'll still need four votes 3 MEMBER McLEOD: I'm sorry, what is the of approval. Nonuse variance requires four votes so not 4 request? 4 just the majority. 5 CHAIRPERSON PEDDIBOYINA: There are two 5 MR. HALL: Okay. 6 variances on this. One is animated and the other one is 6 MEMBER KRIEGER: I move that we grant the 7 a regular one. request in Case Number PZ23-0068 sought by the 8 MEMBER McLEOD: There's no reason to have an petitioner for V's Barbershop. 9 9 animated sign if the extra sign is declined; right? Are The petitioner has shown practical difficulty 10 you requesting that I purposely do them separate? 10 for needing two signs. She's in a strip mall with very 11 MS. SAARELA: They don't have to be separate. monotonous and hard to get attention, so the second sign 11 12 They can be one motion. 12 will -- based on the following the request is based upon 13 MEMBER McLEOD: So -- and to confirm, so, with 13 circumstances and features that are exceptional and 14 them together, as I have, and the motion is denied -unique to this property, the strip mall, and the 15 MS. SAARELA: You can say motion to deny the monotony and the increased visual stimulation and 15 16 variances requested. 16 needing of a specific to draw attention. The failure to 17 MEMBER McLEOD: Right. Okay. But the 17 grant relief will unreasonably prevent or limit the use question is if then that proposal is rejected by the of the property and result in substantially more than council -- a motion to deny, they project a denial, both 19 mere inconvenience or inability to attain a higher

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economic or financial return because although Google

searches for the site helps the amount of traffic would

also increase, would create a higher financial return

for this participant -- petitioner and certainly the

considerations would pass or do we need to go to another

MS. SAARELA: No, you have to -- somebody

would have to vote to approve them still.

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neighbors. 1

2 The grant of relief would be offset by other

- 3 improvements or actions such as increased setbacks or
- increased landscaping such as a net effect resulting in
- 5 improvement of the property. It's a well-known symbol
- for a barbershop. It will be unobtrusive with no strong 6
- 7 LED flashing lights or -- and on during working hours.
- 8 The construction of a conforming sign would
- require the removal or significant alteration of natural
- features on the property. A conforming sign would
- probably be bigger or not as helpful. 11
- 12 The grant or relief will not result in the use
- 13 of structure that is incompatible with or unreasonably
- interferes with adjacent or surrounding properties, will 14
- result in substantial justice being done to both the
- applicant and the adjacent or surrounding properties and
- is not inconsistent with the spirit and intent of the 17
- 18 chapter because it will increase traffic flow by its
- 19 nature. It will -- the neighboring ones, the people
- 20 coming and going from Olga's across the street, Home
- 21 Depot, all the neighboring ones, it will draw them to
- 22 there as well, and then people that are at this
- 23 barbershop also could go next door to the other and help

- 1 dumpster enclosure within the required 10 feet rear yard
- 2 setback. The existing dumpster from the adjacent
- property encroaches 2.5 feet onto the property. This
- variance would clarify the location of the dumpster for
- any further project proposal. The property is zoned
- Non-Center Commercial (NCC).
- Okay. Please go ahead and spell your first 7
- 8 and last name clearly for the record and if you're not
- 9 an attorney and my secretary will take the oath.
- 10 MR. COLUCCI: Certainly. My name is John
- Colucci. I am an attorney and I'm appearing in 11
- connection with the variance request.
- 13 MS. SAARELA: Is there someone -- my
- 14 understanding is someone might have a conflict so it
- 15 should be disclosed at the beginning of the case if
- there is one. 16
- 17 MEMBER MONTAGUE: Yeah, whenever you want to
- 18 do it.
- 19 MS. SAARELA: It has to be the beginning of
- 20 the case.
- 21 MEMBER MONTAGUE: Okay.
- 22 MS. SAARELA: You need to disclose it to the
- 23 Board.

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- their neighbors. 1
- 2 That's it.
- 3 MEMBER LONGO: I second.
- 4 CHAIRPERSON PEDDIBOYINA: Thank you. Okay.
- 5 MS. FLETCHER: Chairperson Peddiboyina.
- CHAIRPERSON PEDDIBOYINA: Yes, please. 6
- 7 MS. FLETCHER: Member Krieger.
- 8 MS. KRIEGER: Yes.
- 9 MS. FLETCHER: Member Longo.
- 10 MEMBER LONGO: Yes.
- 11 MS. FLETCHER: Member Montague.
- 12 MEMBER MONTAGUE: Yes.
- 13 MS. FLETCHER: Member McLeod.
- 14 MEMBER McLEOD: No.
- 15 MS. FLETCHER: Thank you. Motion passes.
- 16 MS. MILAN: Thank you so much.
- 17 MEMBER KRIEGER: Yeah, thank you very much.
- 18 CHAIRPERSON PEDDIBOYINA: Okay. Today's final
- case, PZ23-0070 (Colucci Properties, LLC), 40255 Grand 19
- River Avenue, south of Grand River Avenue, east of
- 21 Haggerty Road, Parcel 50-22-24-451-005. The applicant
- is requesting a variance from the City of Novi Zoning
- Ordinance Section 4.19.2.f.iv to allow the location of a

- MEMBER MONTAGUE: Yes, it's a repeat from last
- 2 month. My brother-in-law. I understand. I got to go
- in the back room. So somebody let me back in when it's
- over.

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- 5 (Member Montague left the Dais)
- CHAIRPERSON PEDDIBOYINA: Thank you. Thank 6
- you so much.
- 8 THE COURT REPORTER: Sir, could you spell your
- 9 last name.
- 10 MR. COLUCCI: Certainly. I'm John Colucci,
- C-O-L-U-C-C-I. And I'm appearing in connection with the 11
- requested variance for 40255 Grand River. 12
- 13 This variance request is really a continuation
- 14 of the variance request from December's meeting in which
- 15 the front portion of the dumpster enclosure --
- CHAIRPERSON PEDDIBOYINA: Yeah, John, it takes 16
- 17 time a little bit. Just leave it.
- 18 MR. COLUCCI: Ah, there we go.
  - (Document displayed)
- 20 MR. COLUCCI: -- in which the front portion
- of the dumpster enclosure depicted here is very faint
- but the property line comes across the back 2.4 feet of
- the dumpster enclosure so you can see the two dumpsters

in the enclosure, and the enclosure encroaches upon 2 40255 Grand River, and the property which has the predominant portion of the enclosure is 40245, both of which have been owned by the Colucci family for many 5

years. 6 We are preparing to sell the properties 7 independently and, therefore, want to clean up a common use area which is the dumpster corral. So in our last meeting we did point out the things that make this a very challenging site to locate a dumpster. In order really to service a dumpster we need a runway to get to the dumpster and lift the containers, so on and so forth, and, really, the best and perhaps only spot 13 available once the adjoining property was developed, which was developed after, was in this area and there really isn't 10 feet between the curb and the back of

17 the dumpster corral. 18 So in our last presentation the Board did 19 approve the front approximately 10 feet of the dumpster 20 corral but we needed to re-notice with respect to the 40255 property that there was the encroachment, so it 22 really encompassed both properties and the original 23 notice only covered one, so we're back now to handle the 1 supplies power to both the buildings so the power comes underground to the transformer and goes back out to each

3 of the buildings. 4 So for all the reasons that we stated before,

the additional encroachment of 2 1/2 feet would be part

of our request for an overall variance that allows us to 7 keep the sited dumpster in its current location with the

8 hope that it continues to be shared in the future.

9 Although I will say we have been asked to see if we can

put a dumpster corral on the other property also, so we

sent a little drawing over to Planning for that purpose, 11

12 nothing other than an inquiry at this point.

13 But we did at one point since our initial submission have a nighttime issue with people trying to 14 get into that transformer, and they were actually caught

by the cleaning crew who came in at midnight and they

hid in that dumpster corral. So now the cleaning lady is a little bit afraid of going into the dumpster corral

for reasons that I think we can all figure out, so 19

20 they've kind of thought about maybe we should have our

21 own directly under the lights in the parking lot. So

22 that's a possibility for the future, but none of that

would affect the need to have the variance that is at 23

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remainder of the same corral. 1

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2 For the reasons we discussed last time on the record, it's a very unique site, very challenging. The dumpster corral has been there for about 30 years without disruption to the community. It doesn't decrease surrounding property values. It really has 7 been a benefit to both properties, and we are looking at selling the 40245 property, which is this one here, to a veterinarian who is in the process of going through his 10 expected use and site planning and all of that, and that would put a veterinarian clinic there. 11

12 In this particular building, we have a dentist, Novi Dentist. They're been there for close to 14 30 years. They're the original tenant in the center 15 section and over time they've expanded really into the 16 whole building so they want to purchase that building. 17 And the preference is that we use the dumpster in common. We have developed and had approved by engineering and legal a cross easement to facilitate use 20 of the dumpsters as well some utilities that crisscross 21 back and forth across the property line.

It's a little hard to see but in this area

there's a very significant DTE transformer and that

1 issue tonight and which was approved in part last 2 meeting. So I'm happy to address any questions that the Board may have. CHAIRPERSON PEDDIBOYINA: Okay. John, 6 appreciate it. Thank you so much for your explanation on this project and the presentation. 8 And I'll ask the City. MR. HALL: Mr. Chairman, this is a follow-up 10 hearing of the previous meeting. The dumpster does sit 11 on the property line, so the first hearing was the granting of a 0 lot line for 40245. This now -- it 12 13 wasn't advertised at that time so now we're doing 40255 14 for the 0 lot line which would be consistent with what we looked at last time. And the dumpster does reside in the easement. We have no objections. 16

17 Thank you.

18 CHAIRPERSON PEDDIBOYINA: Okay. Thank you so

19 much. I appreciate it.

20 And the secretary, correspondence, any ....

21 MEMBER LONGO: Sixty-seven were mailed out,

22 six were returned, no objections and no approvals.

23 CHAIRPERSON PEDDIBOYINA: Thank you so much.

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| 1  | Anybody in the audience on the   | 1  | CHAIRPERSON PEDDIBOYINA: Thank you.   |
| 2  | Looks like none. Okay.   | 2  | And any other matters before I adjourn?   |
| 3  | Yeah. Thank you for your explanation and   | 3  | MEMBER LONGO: You want to get Clift back?   |
| 4  | presentation, I have no objection, and I'm open to the   | 4  | CHAIRPERSON PEDDIBOYINA: Yes.   |
| 5  | Board.   | 5  | MEMBER McLEOD: I'll let Mr. Montague back in.   |
| 6  | Anybody would like any comments on the Board?  | 6  | MEMBER KRIEGER: Thank you.  |
| 7  | If not, Linda can make a motion.   | 7  | MEMBER LONGO: Seriously, or no?   |
| 8  | MEMBER KRIEGER: Yeah. For this case I move   | 8  | CHAIRPERSON PEDDIBOYINA: What kind of   |
| 9  | that we grant the request for PZ23-0070 sought by the  | 9  | attorney are you?   |
| 10   | petitioner for the second part of the request regarding  | 10   | MR. COLUCCI: Real estate and corporate  |
| 11   | the dumpster and the easement that the petitioner has  | 11   | matters.  |
| 12   | shown practical difficulty.  | 12   | CHAIRPERSON PEDDIBOYINA: Okay. Thank you so   |
| 13   | The petitioner would be unreasonably prevented   | 13   | much.   |
| 14   | 1 1 1  | 14   | MR. COLUCCI: Thank you.   |
| 15   | it's changed. It has been functioning well for the last  | 15   | (Mr. Montague returns to the dais)  |
| 16   | 30 years. It's in a unique location and fits well with   | 16   | MEMBER KRIEGER: Welcome back, Clift.  |
| 17   | both properties. It does not interfere with neighboring  | 17   | CHAIRPERSON PEDDIBOYINA: Okay. Welcome back.  |
| 18   | the neighbors to the south.  | 18   | MEMBER KRIEGER: You've been welcomed back.  |
| 19   | The petitioner did not create the condition  | 19   | CHAIRPERSON PEDDIBOYINA: Welcome back.  |
| 20   | because it has been in existence as such and does not  | 20   | MEMBER KRIEGER: Now we can move to I move   |
| 21   | interfere and it makes it easier for the GFL to or   | 21   | to adjourn.   |
| 22   | whoever to pick up the refuse.   | 22   | CHAIRPERSON PEDDIBOYINA: Okay. Before we  |
| 23   | The relief granted will not unreasonably   | 23   | adjourn, any other matters because he was not here at   |
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