

## Neptune Center JSP14-10

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Approval of the request of Dorchen/Martin Associates, Inc. for Neptune Center for same side and opposite side driveway spacing waivers. The subject property is 3.9 acres located in Section 15 of the City of Novi at 44300 Grand River Avenue on the north side of Grand River Avenue, in the I-2, General Industrial District. The applicant is proposing a 20,000 square foot office and industrial facility.

### **Required Action**

Approval/Denial of same side and opposite side driveway spacing waivers.

REVIEW	RESULT	DATE	COMMENTS
Traffic	Approval recommended	02/06/15	<ul> <li>Planning Commission same side driveway spacing waiver required (200 ft. required, 64 ft. 6 in. provided)</li> <li>Planning Commission opposite side driveway spacing waiver required (150 ft. required, 36 ft. provided)</li> </ul>

### **Motion Sheet**

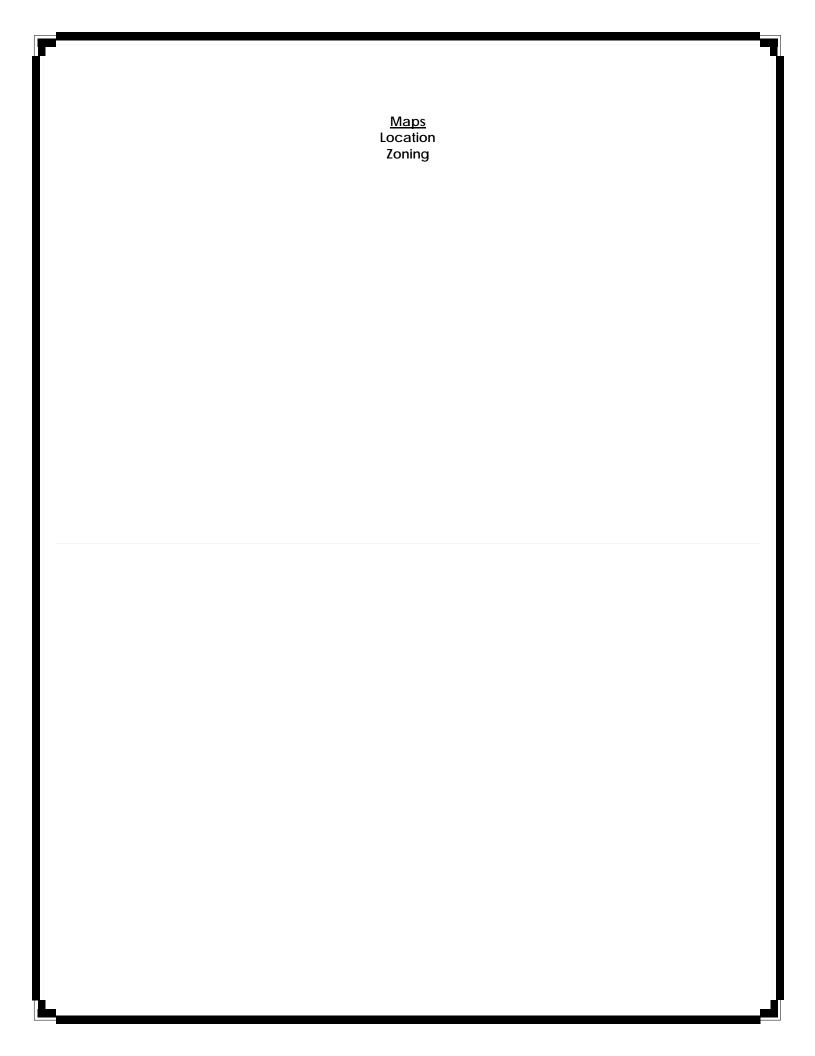
### **Approval - Driveway Spacing Waivers**

In the matter of the request of Dorchen/Martin Associates, Inc. for Neptune Center, JSP14-10, motion to **approve** the requested same side driveway spacing waiver (200 ft. required, 64 ft. 6 in. provided) and opposite driveway spacing waiver (150 ft. required, 36 ft. provided) because the plan is otherwise in compliance with Article 3, Article 4 and Article 5 of the Zoning Ordinance and all other applicable provisions of the Ordinance.

### -OR-

### **Denial - Driveway Spacing Waivers**

In the matter of the request of Dorchen/Martin Associates, Inc. for Neptune Center, JSP14-10, motion to **deny** the requested same side driveway spacing waiver (200 ft. required, 64 ft. 6 in. provided) and opposite driveway spacing waiver (150 ft. required, 36 ft. provided) because the plan is not in compliance with Article 3, Article 4 and Article 5 of the Zoning Ordinance and other applicable provisions of the Ordinance.

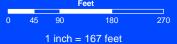


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Map Legend

**Subject Properties** 







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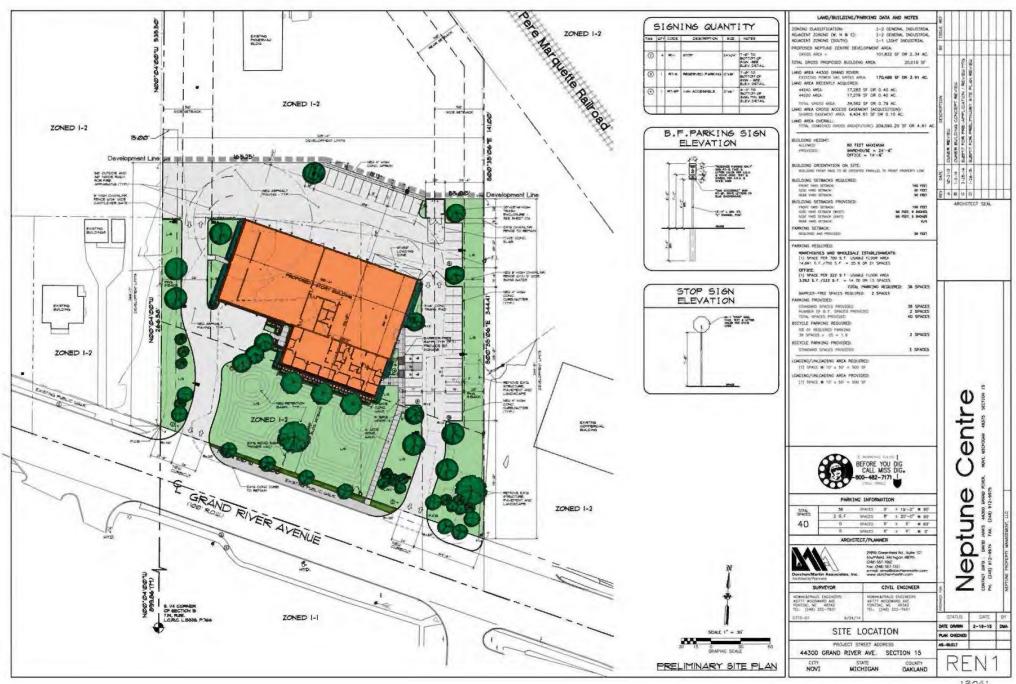
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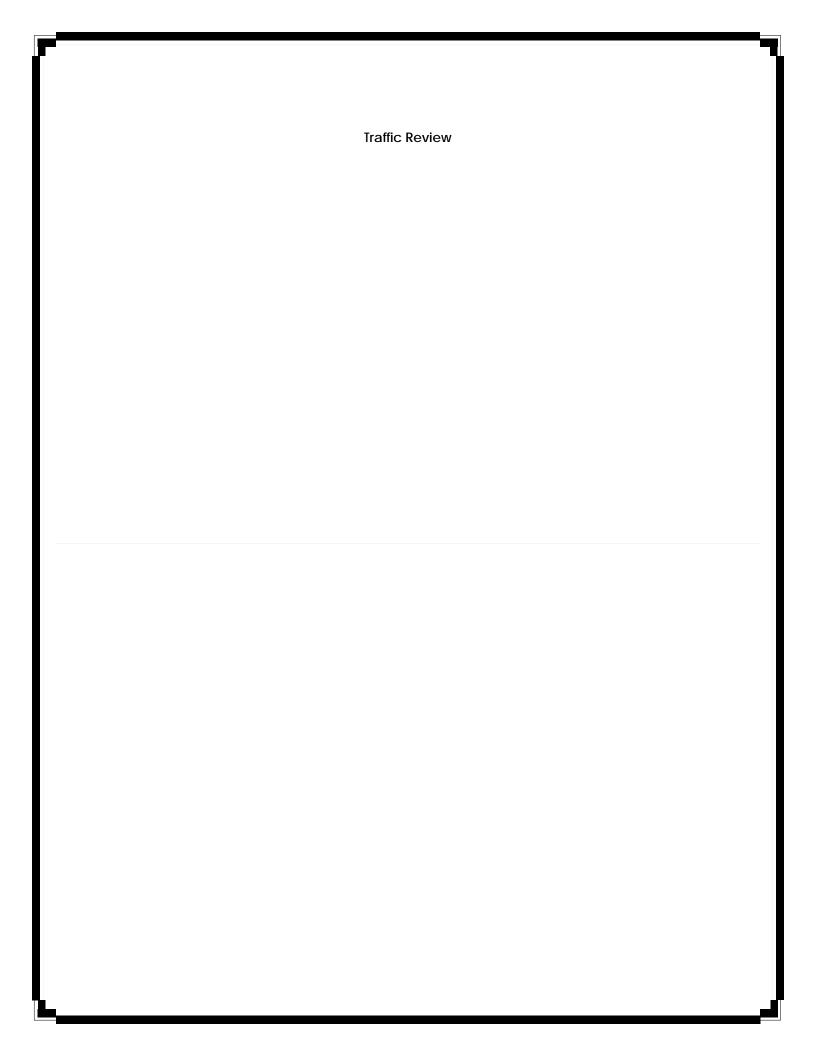
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#### MAP INTERPRETATION NOTICE

# JSP14-10 Neptune Center Map Legend **Subject Properties** R-4: One-Family Residential District I-1: Light Industrial District I-2: General Industrial District 1 inch = 167 feet City of Novi **Planning Division** Community Development Dept. 45175 W Ten Mile Rd Novi, MI 48375 cityofnovi.org -Grand-River-Avenue-Map Author: Kristen Kapelanski Date: 02-19-15 Project: Neptune Center JSP14-10 Version #: 1.0 Mary's Orchard Sub **MAP INTERPRETATION NOTICE**

Site Plan (Full plan set available for viewing at the Community Development Department.)				







February 6, 2015

Barbara McBeth, AICP Deputy Director of Community Development City of Novi 45175 W. 10 Mile Road Novi, MI 48375

SUBJECT: Neptune Centre, Traffic Review for Preliminary Site Plan

JSP14-0010

Dear Ms. McBeth,

URS has completed our review of the conceptual site plan submitted for the above referenced pre-application meeting between the City and applicant. Our comments are as follows:

### 1. General Comments

- a. The applicant, Neptune Property Management, LLC, is proposing to build a 20,019 square foot warehouse/office building on a 2.34 acre parcel on the north side of Grand River Avenue west of Novi Road, between Lannys Road and Clark Street.
- b. The parcel is zoned I-2 General Industrial.

### 2. Potential Traffic Impacts

- a. The proposed development is not expected to generate traffic volumes above the City thresholds listed in Table 1 of the Site Plan and Development Manual; therefore, additional traffic impact studies are not warranted.
- **3. General Plan Comments** The site general conforms to City ordinances; however, the following additional information is requested to be able to conduct a thorough review:
  - a. The applicant should provide proposed pavement marking information in the next submittal.
  - b. The applicant should provide additional details regarding the bicycle parking facilities, including dimensions.
  - c. The applicant should note the turning radius permitted at the 90 degree turn in the northeast corner of the parking lot.
  - d. The applicant should provide the curb height of the concrete slab along the east side of the building.
  - e. The applicant should consider providing additional detail on the Preliminary Site Plan regarding where existing and new sidewalk will be located along Grand River Avenue for the entire property limits. After



existing driveways and buildings are removed and the southeast corner of the site is renovated, the sidewalk should be shown as continuous along the entire southern property line.

- **4. External Site Access and Operations** The external site access generally conforms to City ordinances; however, the applicant should consider the following comments:
  - a. The driveway geometry is in compliance.
  - b. The locations of the two proposed driveways do not meet the spacing requirements as defined in Figure IX.12 of Section 11 of the City Ordinance.
    - i. The plan indicates that there is 64' 6" between the east driveway and the adjacent property to the east's driveway, which is less than the minimum requirement of 200' for same side driveways in the Figure IX.12 of Section 11 of the City Ordinance.
    - ii. The plan does not provide dimensions between the proposed driveways and the driveways on the opposite side of Grand River Avenue; however, the spacing does not appear to meet the minimum 150' requirement as indicated in Figure IX.12 of Section 11 of the City Ordinance.
    - iii. The applicant could request a variance from the City to accommodate the denser driveway spacing for the site.
- **5. Internal Site Access and Operations** The internal site operations generally conform to City ordinances; however, the applicant should consider the following comments:
  - a. The number of parking spaces and parking space dimensions are acceptable.
  - b. The signing quantities provided on sheet SP02 is not accurate. The handicap sign assembly for the van accessible parking space (Tag 4) only includes one (1) R7-8P, when it should include one (1) R7-8 **and** one (1) R7-8P. The applicant should update the quantities displayed.
  - c. The applicant should review the end island designs throughout the site.
    - i. The outside radius for end islands should be a minimum of 15', and there is at least one instance where this is not met.
    - ii. The end islands should also be 3' shorter than the adjacent parking space depth and this does not appear to be incorporated into the design. The applicant should review and update as necessary.
  - d. The placement of the trash receptacle, while in the rear of the property, is likely to block a minimum of two (2) parking spaces when being loaded/unloaded. Section 5.4.4 of the City Zoning Ordinance states that the placement of trash receptacles, when in use, should not cut-off or diminish access to any off-street parking. The applicant should review the placement of the trash receptacle and consider adjusting as needed to comply with the ordinance.

The preliminary site plan was reviewed to the level of detail provided and additional information may be required to complete the review of traffic-related elements. URS **recommends approval** of the preliminary site plan, with the condition that the comments

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stated up are adequately addressed and satisfy City ordinances or receive variances where ordinances are not met.

Sincerely,

**URS Corporation Great Lakes** 

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