## MEMORANDUM

CITY OF	TO:	MEMBERS OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION
	FROM:	BARBARA MCBETH, AICP, CITY PLANNER
	SUBJECT:	JSP 17-13 GRIFFIN FUNERAL HOME:
VMY		FINAL SITE PLAN EXTENSION
NOVI	DATE:	MAY 7, 2021
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The subject property is located on the southwest corner of Beck Road and Eleven Mile Road, in the Residential Acreage (RA) zoning district. The applicant received Preliminary Site Plan approval for a funeral home on the 3.93 acre parcel. A Special Land Use Permit is required to permit a funeral home in residential districts. The Planning Commission approved the Preliminary Site Plan, Special Land Use, and Storm Water Management Plan at the June 14, 2017 meeting. The applicant submitted the Final Site Plan for administrative approval, which was granted on July 12, 2018. Final Site Plan approval is valid for two years. The applicant was granted a one-year extension of Final Site Plan approval by the Planning Commission on June 10, 2020, which is currently in effect until July 12, 2021.

The time limit for site plan approvals as set forth in subpart 6.1.6.A, may be extended by the body which approved the Preliminary Site Plan, subject to a number of conditions, including the following as provided in Section 6.1.7.F of the Zoning Ordinance (emphasis added):

It is the burden of the applicant to show good cause for the granting of the requested extension. The body which approved the preliminary site plan shall consider the following factors in its determination of whether good cause exists:

- i. The applicant has demonstrated that needed utility services have been delayed;
- ii. The applicant has demonstrated that technical reviews of the final site plan have raised unforeseen development problems;
- iii. <u>The applicant has demonstrated that unforeseen economic events or</u> <u>conditions have caused delays;</u>
- iv. The approved plan to be extended is in compliance with all current site plan criteria and current ordinances, laws, codes and regulations;
- v. There is no pending zoning ordinance which would substantially change the requirements of the approved plan.

The applicant provided the attached letter indicating that extension is requested "due to the current pandemic that as an industry we are still adjusting. The availability of trades and commitments has also been difficult."

If approved by the Planning Commission, the second extension of the Final Site Plan approval will be effective until July 12, 2022. The Zoning Ordinance allows for up to three, one-year extensions of Preliminary and Final Site Plan approval. At this time, the Planning staff is not aware of any changes to the ordinances, or surrounding land uses, which would adversely affect the approval of the requested extension for one year. <u>Approval of the extension of Final Site Plan and Special Land Use is recommended.</u>

Attached for reference are the following:

- 1. Letter of request for extension dated April 13, 2021 from David G. Griffin
- 2. A copy of approved Final Site Plan.
- 3. Action Summary from June 14, 2017 Planning Commission meeting
- 4. Minutes from June 14, 2017 Planning Commission meeting

**GRUFFIN** L.J. GRIFFIN FUNERAL HOME, INC.

April 13, 2021

City of Novi Community Development Attention: Charles Boulard, Madeleine Daniels, Barb McBeth 45175 Ten Mile Rd. Novi, Michigan 48375

Regarding: One year extension on construction. Griffin Funeral Home. Project JSP17-13 25901 Beck Rd.

Charles Boulard and Planning Department,

Please allow this letter to serve as notice for extending construction of the L.J. Griffin Funeral Home, Novi Chapel, located at 2591 Beck Rd. for an additional year.

Request is made due to the current pandemic that as an industry we are still adjusting. The availability of trades and commitments has also been difficult.

We are committed to this project and to the Novi Community. Please call if you have any questions to facilitate the request.

Thank you David G. Gr

734-522-9400

"Service-A Family Tradition"

7707 Middlebelt Rd. Westland, MI 48185 (734) 522-9400 42600 Ford Rd. Canton, MI 48187 (734) 981-1700 8809 Wayne Rd. Livonia, MI 48150 (734) 522-6200 Northrop-Sassaman Chapel 19091 Northville Rd. Northville, MI 48168 (248) 348-1233 Keehn-Griffin 706 W. Main Street Brighton, MI 48116 (810) 229-9871

## SITE DATA:

ZONED: GROSS SITE AREA: GROSS BUILDING AREA: USABLE BUILDING AREA: LOT COVERAGE ALLOWED: LOT COVERAGE PROPOSED: BUILDING HEIGHT: BUILDING SETBACK: PARKING SETBACK:

## PARKING SCHEDULE

PARKING SPACES REQUIRED 1 SPACE FOR EACH 50 SQUARE FEET OF USEABLE FLOOR AREA: 6.030 S.F. / 50 = 121 SPACES USEABLE FLOOR AREA (LESS THE LOBBY AREA)

R–A

25%

7.1%

12,176 S.F.

6,310 S.F.

75' FRONT

21'- 6" / 1 STORY

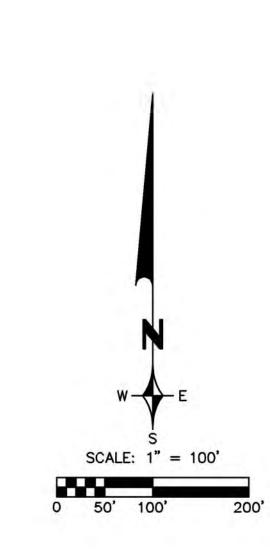
20' REAR AND SIDES

171,190.80 S.F. (3.93 ACRES)

PARKING SPACES PROVIDED

STANDARD BARRIER FREE (INCLUDES 2 VAN ACCESSIBLE SPACE) BANKED TOTAL BICYCLE PARKING SPACES PROVIDED HOOPS TOTAL

93 121 SPACES 4 SPACES



# **PROPRIETOR:**

NOVI FUNERAL HOME, L.L.C 7707 MIDDLEBELT RD. WESTLAND, MI 48185 (734) 968-9401 **DAVID GRIFFIN** 

# **ARCHITECT:**

JST ARCHITECTS **2919 WELBORN STREET** DALLAS, TX 75219 (214) 522-4033 JACK WARDEN

# **CIVIL ENGINEER:**

ZEIMET WOZNIAK AND ASSOCIATES 55800 GRAND RIVER AVE, SUITE 100 NEW HUDSON, MICHIGAN 48165 (248) 437-5099 JULIAN J. WARGO JR., P.E.



DEAK PLANNING + DESIGN 143 CADYCENTER # 79 NORTHVILLE, MI 48167 (248) 444-7892 STEVE DEAK, RLA

## APPROVED DEVIATIONS TO THE PLAN

UP TO 23 LANDBANK PARKING (121 REQUIRED, 98 PROVIDED, LAND BANKED) DUE TO PLANNING COMMISSIONS FINDING BELOW, WHICH IS HEREBY GRANTED;

- THE APPLICANT HAS DEMONSTRATED THROUGH SUBSTANTIAL EVIDENCE THAT THE SPECIFIED OCCUPANT AND BUILDING USE WILL REQUIRE LESS PARKING THAN WHAT IS REQUIRED BY THE ZONING ORDINANCE;
- · PARKING WILL NOT OCCUR ON ANY STREET OR DRIVEWAY;
- PARKING WILL NOT OCCUR ON ANY AREA NOT APPROVED AND DEVELOPED FOR PARKING; PARKING WILL NOT OCCUR ON THAT AREA WHERE PARKING CONSTRUCTION HAS BEEN LANDBANKED UNTIL SUCH TIME AS THAT AREA IS CONSTRUCTED FOR SUCH PARKING;
- THE REQUESTED PARKING LANDBANKING WILL NOT CREATE TRAFFIC OR CIRCULATION PROBLEMS ON OR OFF SITE; AND
- . THE REQUESTED PARKING LANKBANKING WILL BE CONSISTENT WITH THE PUBLIC HEALTH, SAFETY AND WELFARE OF THE CITY AND THE PURPOSES OF THE ZONING ORDINANCE;
- B. WAIVER FOR ABSENCE OF NOISE IMPACT STATEMENT DUE TO THE NATURE OF USE, WHICH IS HEREBY GRANTED;

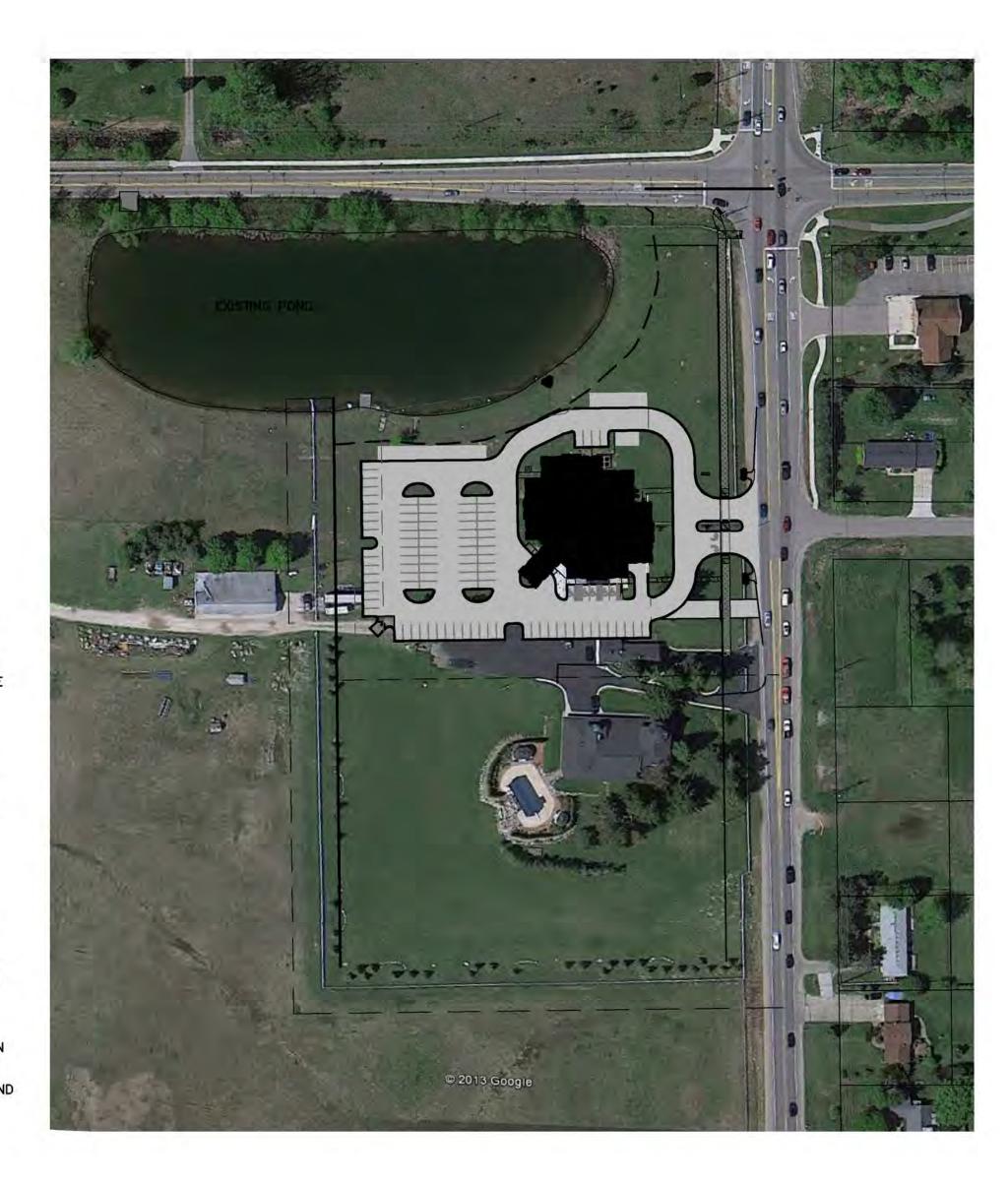
LANDSCAPE WAIVER FROM SECTION 5.5.3.B.II AND III TO PERMIT REDUCTION OF REQUIRED HEIGHT FOR BERM ALONG WESTERN PROPERTY LINE (4.5 FEET TO 6 FEET REQUIRED) PROVIDED OPACITY FOR SCREENING IS MET ALONG THE PROPERTY LINE, WHICH IS HEREBY GRANTED;

- D. LANDSCAPE WAIVER FROM SECTION 5.5.3.B.II FOR ABSENCE OF REQUIRED BERM ALONG SOUTHERN PROPERTY, DUE TO APPLICANT'S WRITTEN INTENT THAT THE PROPERTY TO THE SOUTH WILL BE DEVELOPED NON-RESIDENTIAL AND TO RETROFIT THE SITE TO PROVIDE THE REQUIRED BUFFER AND SCREENING IF IT IS DEVELOPED RESIDENTIAL IN FUTURE, WHICH IS HEREBY GRANTED;
- E. LANDSCAPE WAIVER FROM SECTION 5.5.3.E.I.C FOR REDUCTION OF MINIMUM REQUIRED STREET TREES ALONG BECK ROAD (13 REQUIRED, 10 PROVIDED) DUE TO CONFLICTS WITH CORNER CLEARANCE, WHICH IS HEREBY GRANTED;
- F. CITY COUNCIL VARIANCE FROM SECTION 11-256.B OF DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION STANDARDS MANUAL FOR ABSENCE OF REQUIRED SIDEWALK ALONG ELEVEN MILE ROAD DUE TO PRACTICAL DIFFICULTIES FOR EXTENSION OF SIDEWALK BEYOND THE SITE BOUNDARY, PROVIDED THE APPLICANT PAYS THE CITY THE CURRENT CONSTRUCTION COST OF THE SIDEWALK, AS APPROVED BY THE CITY ENGINEER;

THE LOCATIONS OF EXISTING UNDERGROUND UTILITIES ARE SHOWN IN AN APPROXIMATE WAY ONLY AS DISCLOSED BY AVAILABLE UTILITY COMPANY RECORDS AND HAVE NOT BEEN INDEPENDENTLY VERIFIED BY THE COMPANY. NO GUARANTEE IS EITHER EXPRESSED OR IMPLIED AS TO THE COMPLETENESS OR ACCURACY THEREOF. THE CONTRACTOR SHALL DETERMINE THE EXACT LOCATION OF ALL EXISTING UTILITIES BEFORE COMMENCING WORK, AND AGREES TO BE FULLY RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY AND ALL DAMAGES WHICH MIGHT BE OCCASIONED BY THE CONTRACTOR'S FAILURE TO EXACTLY LOCATE AND PRESERVE ANY AND ALL UNDERGROUND UTILITIES. THE CONTRACTOR SHALL NOTIFY THE DESIGN ENGINEER IMMEDIATELY IF A CONFLICT IS APPARENT.

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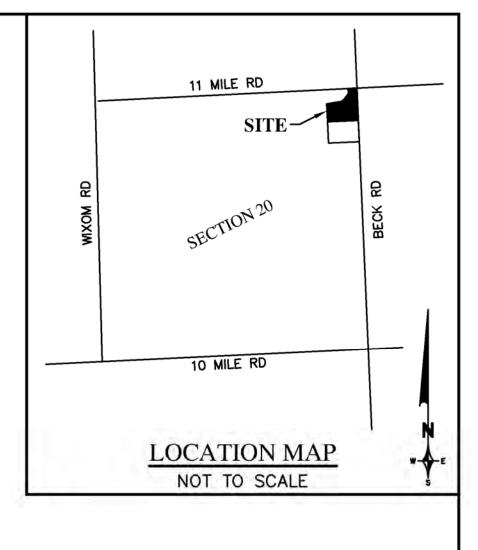
NOTE:	THE OWNER OF THE PROPERTY SHALL REPORT ANY PROPOSED CHANGE IN USE OF OCCUPANCY FOR FURTHER EVALUATION.
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THREE FULL WORKING DAYS BEFORE YOU DI MISS DIG SYSTEM, INC. CALL THE MISS DIG SYSTEM 1-800-482-7171

PROJECT SPONSOR: NOVI FUNERAL HOME, L.L.C. 7707 MIDDLEBELT RD. WESTLAND, MI 48185



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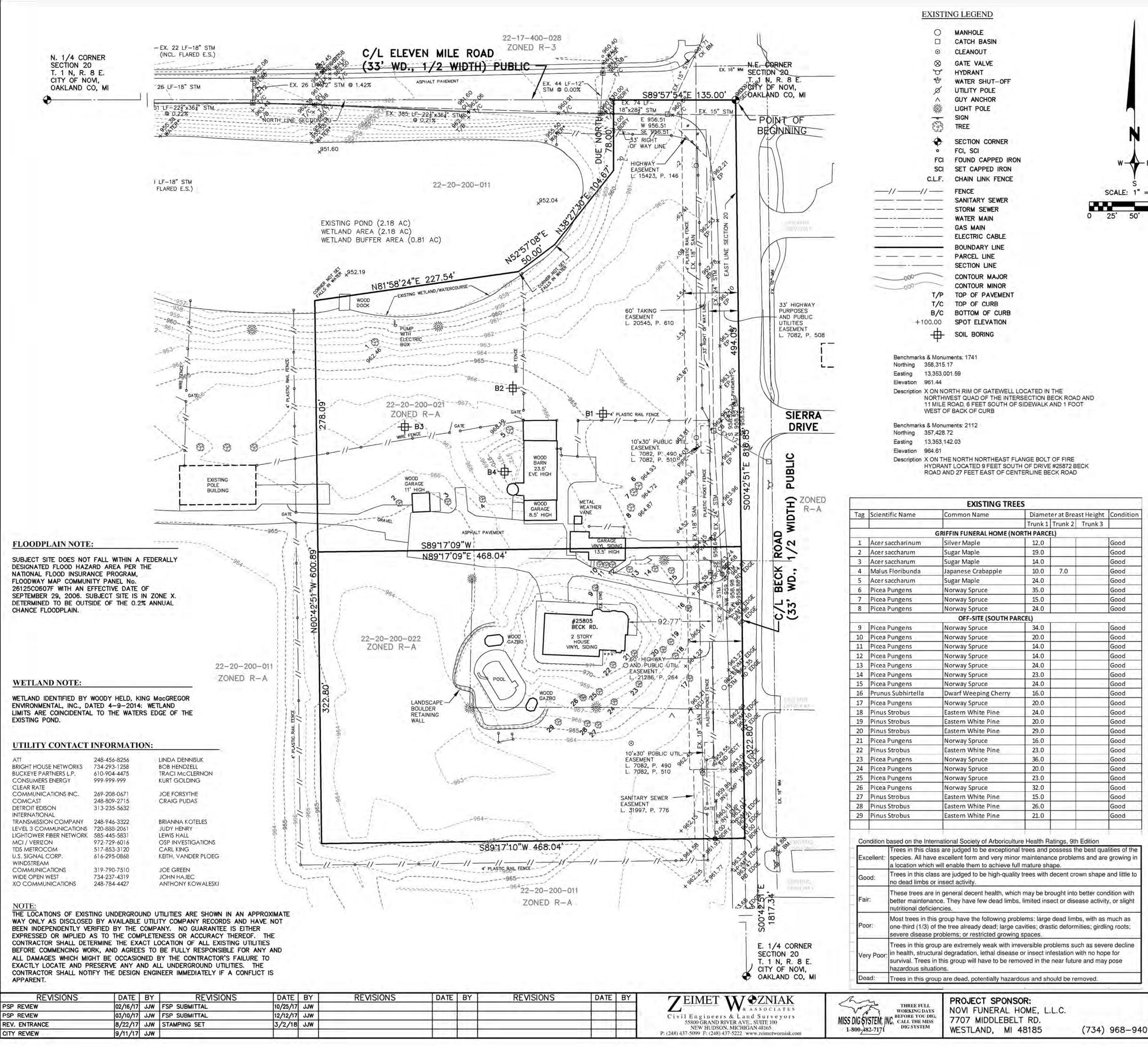
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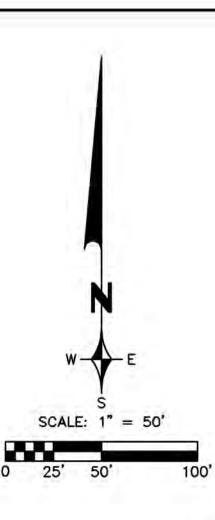
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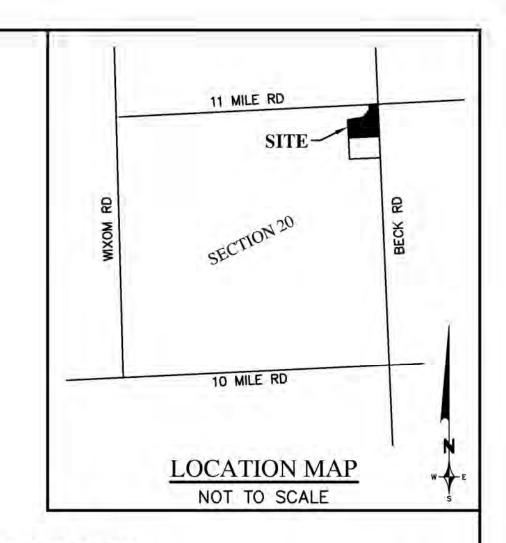
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### LEGAL DESCRIPTION - PARENT PARCEL (22-20-200-012 FKA)

A PARCEL OF LAND BEING PART OF THE NORTHEAST 1/4 OF SECTION 20, TOWN 1 NORTH, RANGE 8 EAST, IN THE CITY OF NOVI, OAKLAND COUNTY, MICHIGAN, BEING DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

BEGINNING AT THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF SAID SECTION 20, S. 00'42'51" E. 816.85 FEET ALONG THE EAST LINE OF SAID SECTION, SAID LINE ALSO BEING THE CENTERLINE OF BECK ROAD (33.00 FEET WIDE, 1/2 WIDTH); THENCE S. 89'17'10" W. 468.04 FEET; THENCE N. 00'42'51" W. 600.89 FEET; THENCE N. 81'58'24" E. 227.54 FEET; THENCE N. 52'57'08" E. 50.00 FEET; THENCE N. 38'27'30" E. 104.67 FEET; THENCE DUE NORTH, 78.00 FEET TO A POINT ON THE NORTH LINE OF SAID SECTION, SAID LINE ALSO BEING THE CENTERLINE OF ELEVEN MILE ROAD (33.00 FEET WIDE, 1/2 WIDTH); THENCE ALONG SAID NORTH LINE OF SAID SECTION AND THE CENTERLINE OF ELEVEN MILE ROAD S. 89'57'54" E. 135.00 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, SAID POINT ALSO BEING THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF SAID SECTION 20. CONTAINING 7.40 ACRES.

LEGAL DESCRIPTION - RESULTANT PARCEL FUNERAL HOME (22-20-200-021)

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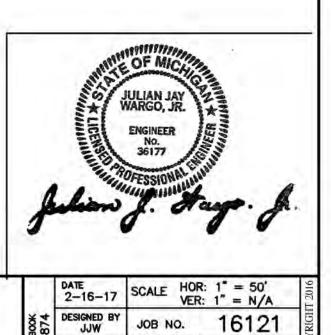
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SOILS DATA NOTE SEE SHEET CE-10 FOR SOILS DATA

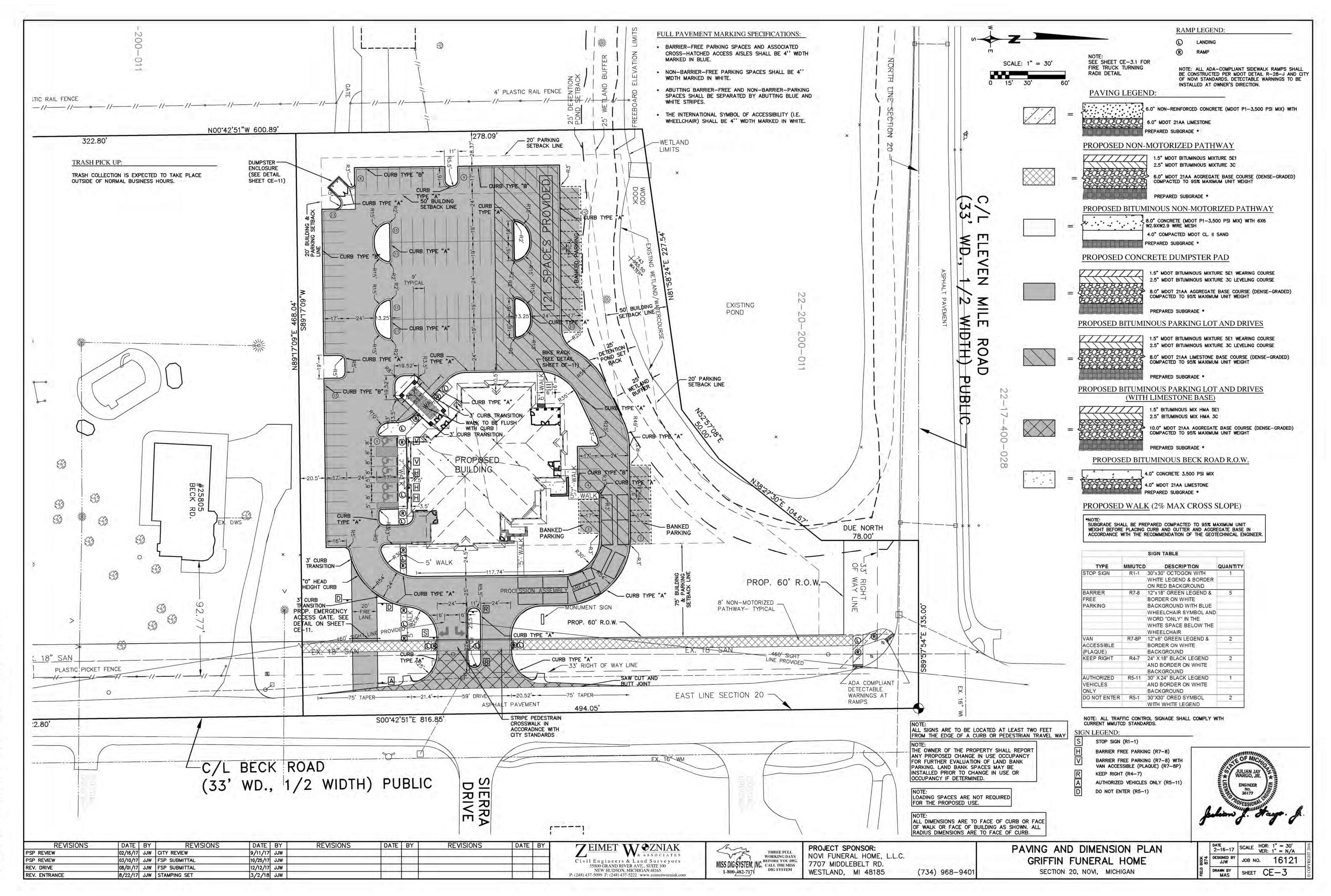
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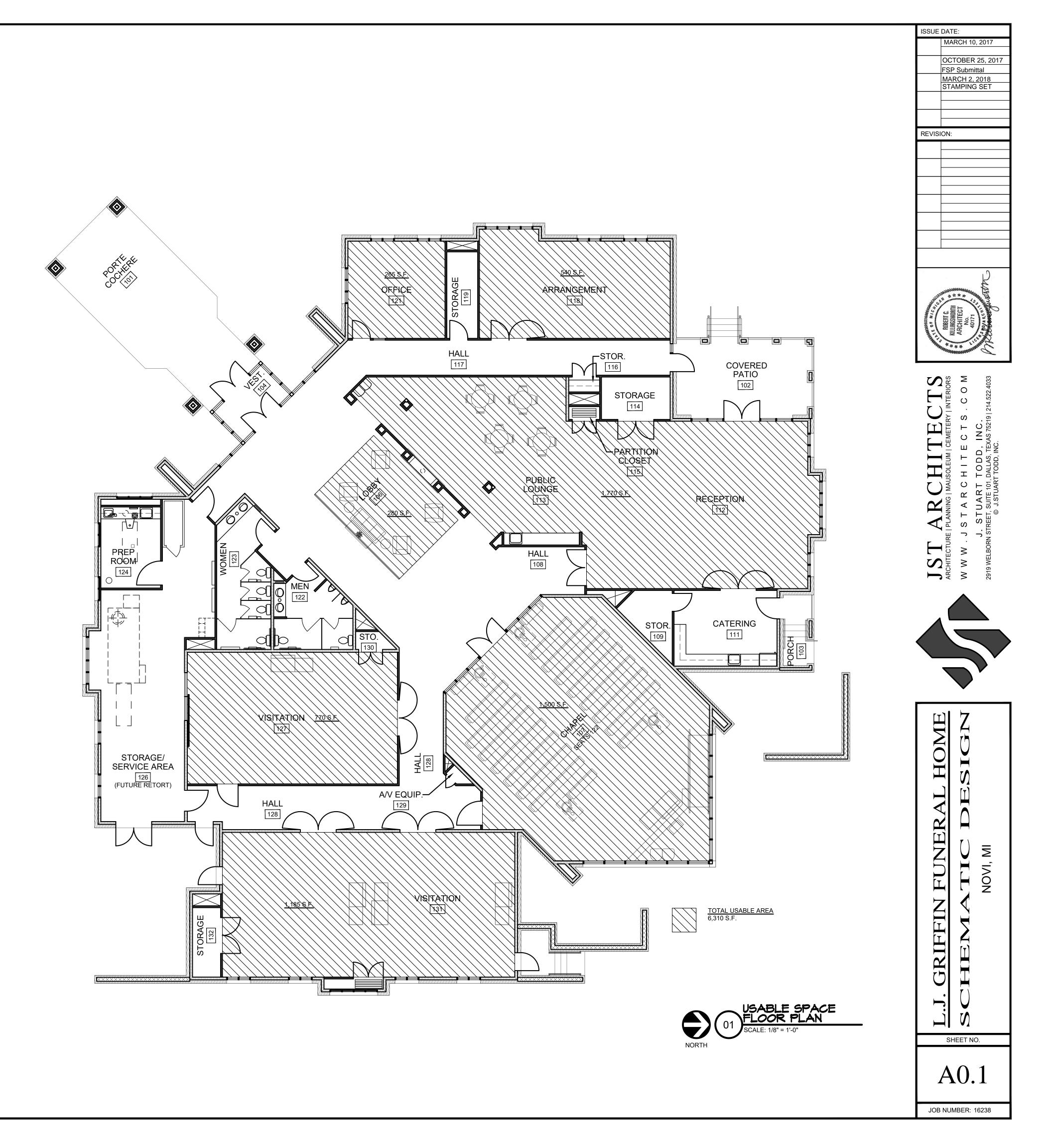
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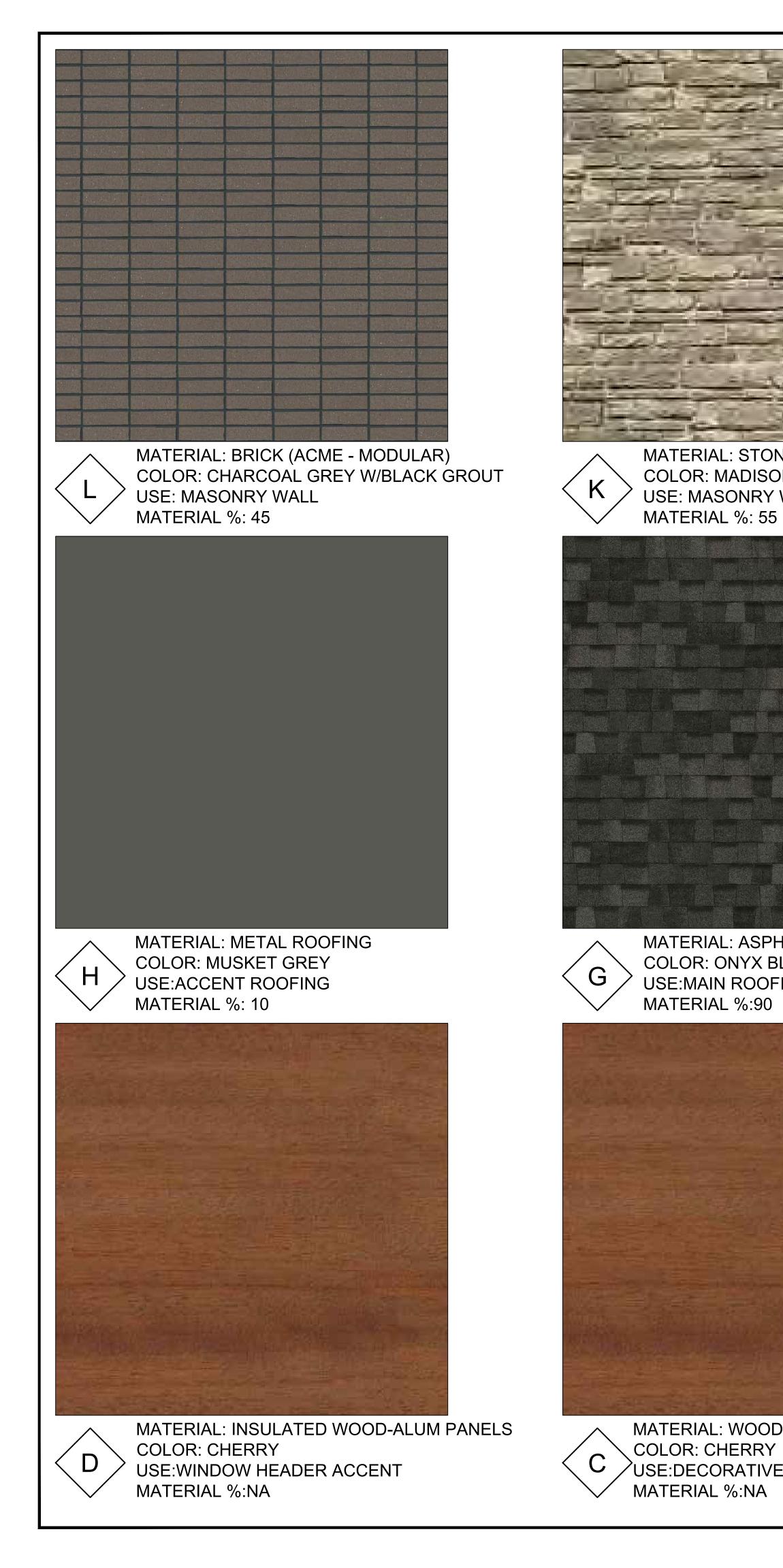
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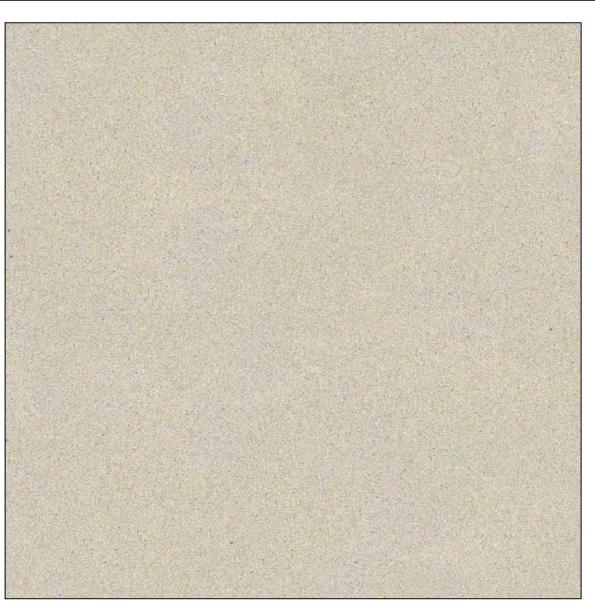
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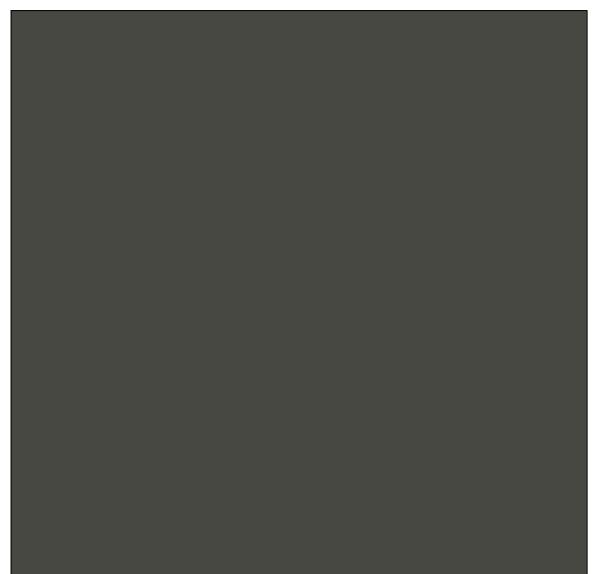


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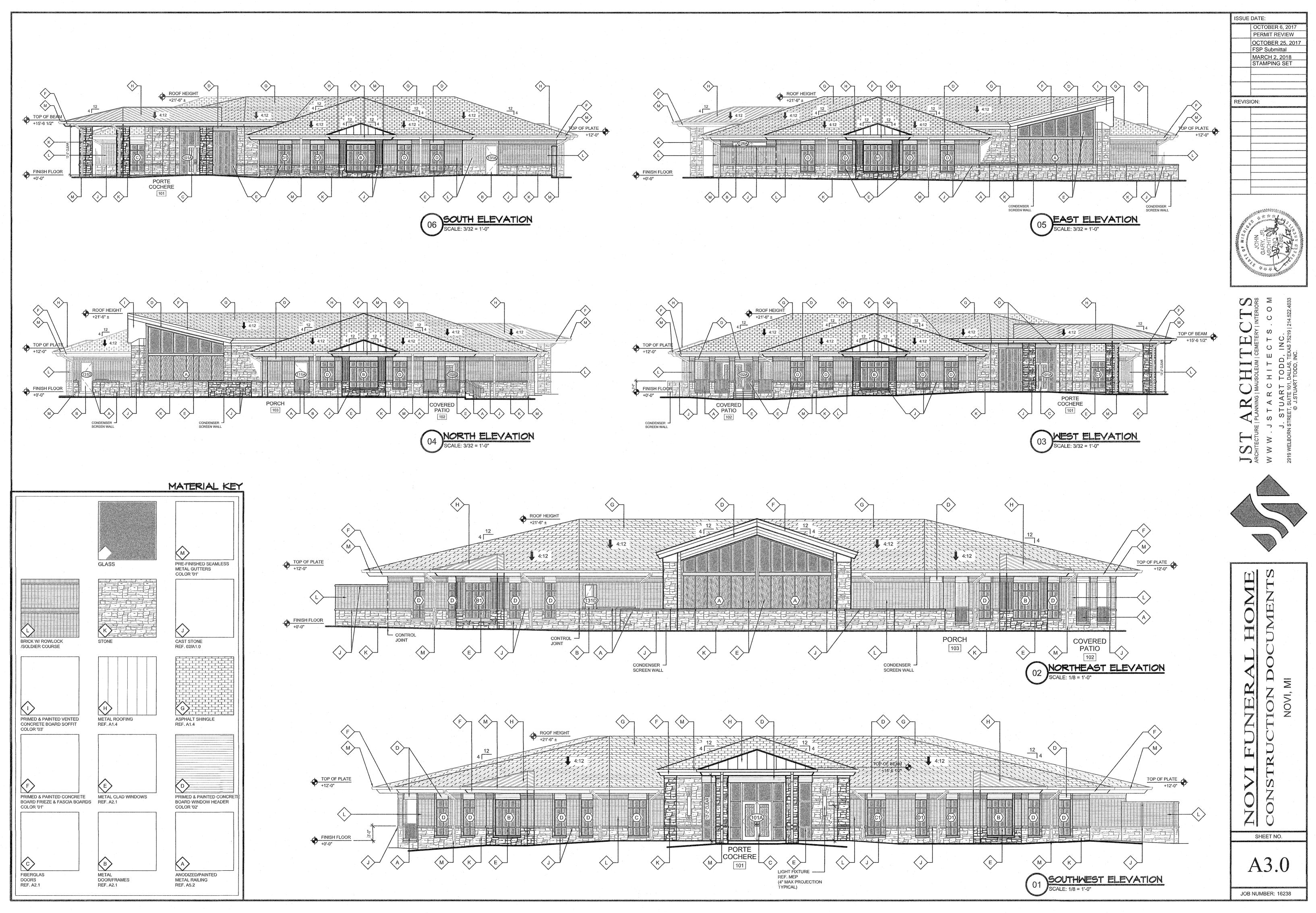


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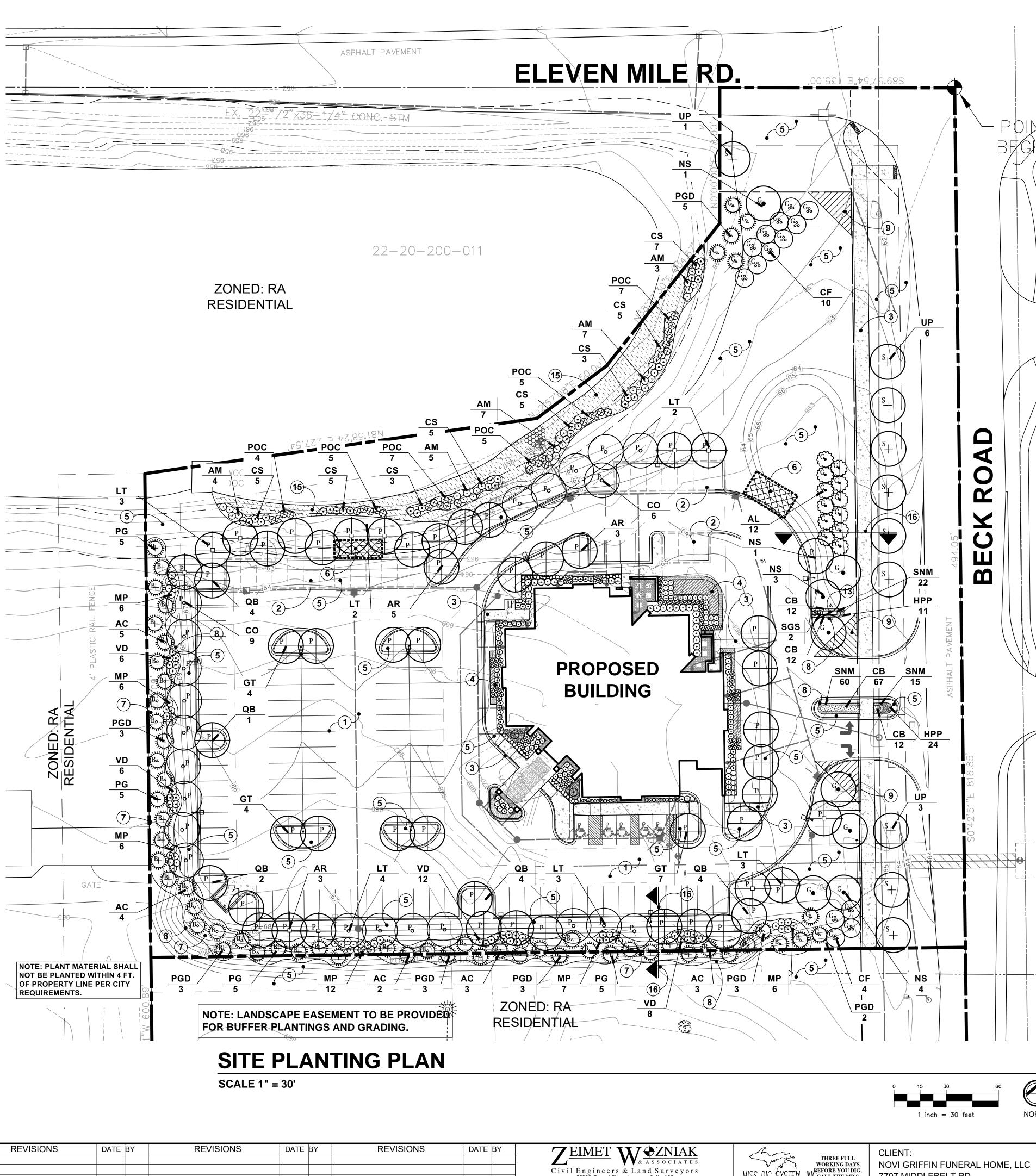
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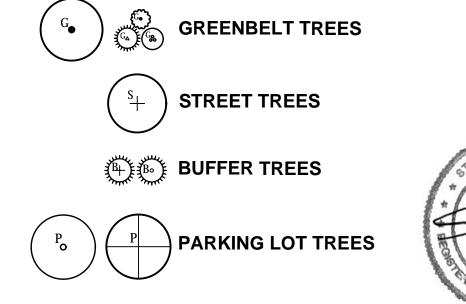
# NOTE KEY: •

- (1) ASPHALT PARKING LOT
- (2) LAND BANKED PARKING, SEE CIVIL ENGINEERING DRAWINGS
- (3) CONCRETE SIDEWALK SEE CIVIL DWGS.
- (4) PROPOSED FOUNDATION PLANTINGS, SEE SHEET LP-2
- 5 SEEDED LAWN OVER MINIMUM 4" DEPTH TOPSOIL. SEE TOPSOIL NOTE BELOW, ALL DISTURBED AREAS
- (6) SNOW DEPOSIT AREA
- (7) CONTINUOUS MULCH BED
- 8 SHOVEL CUT BED EDGE, TYPICAL
- 9 25' CLEAR VISION TRIANGLE
- 10) 2" DIA. EGGSTONE OVER FILTER MAT
- (11) 4" RYERSON STEEL EDGING, <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>" THICK
- (12) 2 FT. X 2 FT. CONC. PATIO STEPPING STONE (13) PROJECT SIGN - SEE ARCH. DRAWINGS.
- (14) PROPOSED BIKE RACKS
- (15) NATIVE SEEDING, SEED TO EDGE OF WATER, SEE MIX SHEET LP-3
- (16) CROSS SECTION SEE SHEET LP-3

# LANDSCAPE DATA

.O.W. Frontage	
leven Mile Road Frontage:	76 ln. ft.
eck Road Frontage:	434 ln. ft.
Total Frontage:	510 ln. ft.
Canopy/Evergreen Trees Req.:	15 Trees
(1 Tree/ 35 In. ft.)	
Canopy/ Evergreen Trees Prov.:	15 Trees
Sub-Canopy Trees Req.:	26 Trees
(1 Tree/ 20 In. ft.)	
Sub-Canopy Trees Prov.:	<b>26 Tree</b> s
treet Trees	
even Mile Road Frontage:	51 ln. ft.
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(1 Tree/ 35 In. ft.)	
Trees Required:	1 Trees
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(1 Tree/ 35 In. ft.)	
Trees Required:	11 Trees
otal Trees Provided:	10 Trees*
Per Waiver)	_
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ARKING LOT	
TERIOR PARKING LOT LANDSCAPING	
quare Footage of Parking Spaces:	15,409 s.f.
I. Footage of Land Bank Spaces:	3,579 s.f.
Required Landscape Area:	1,899 s.f.
(Parking space s.f. x 0.10 s.f.)	1,000 3.1.
dditional Paved Vehicular Use Area:	21 017 ~ f
	34,817 s.f
Required Landscape Area:	1,741 s.f.
(V.U.A. x 0.05 s.f.)	0.040
Total s.f. of Landscape Area Req.:	3,640 s.f.
Total s.f. of Landscape Area Prov.:	3,641 s.f.
Parking Lot Tree Requirement:	
Total Trees Required (1 per 75 s.f.):	49 Trees
Total Trees Provided:	<b>49 Tree</b> s
RKING PERIMETER LANDSCAPING	
arking Lot Perimeter:	866 l.f.
Canopy/Evergreen Trees Req.:	25 Trees
(1 Tree/ 35 In. ft.)	20 11000
Total Trees Provided:	25 Trees
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uilding Perimeter:	477 l.f.
Landscape Area Req.:	3,816 s.f.
Eanacoape / aca rioq.	
(Building Perimeter x 8.0')	

# PLANTING KEY



NOT TO BE USED AS CONSTRUCTION DRAWING

WESTLAND, MI 48185

	11 MILE RD
	SITE
	SECTION 20 BECK B
	LOCATION MAP NOT TO SCALE
GEN	IERAL PLANTING REQ.:
A TH M	HE WORK SHALL CONSIST OF PROVIDING ALL NECESSARY ATERIAL, LABOR, EQUIPMENT, TOOLS, AND SUPERVISION
B AI TH PL AG	EQUIRED FOR THE COMPLETION AS SHOWN ON THE DRAWING. LL PLANT MATERIALS SHALL CONFORM TO THE TYPE STATED ON HE PLANT LIST. SIZES SHALL BE THE MINIMUM STATED ON THE LANT LIST OR LARGER. ALL MEASUREMENTS SHALL BE IN CCORDANCE WITH THE LATEST EDITION OF THE "A.A.N.
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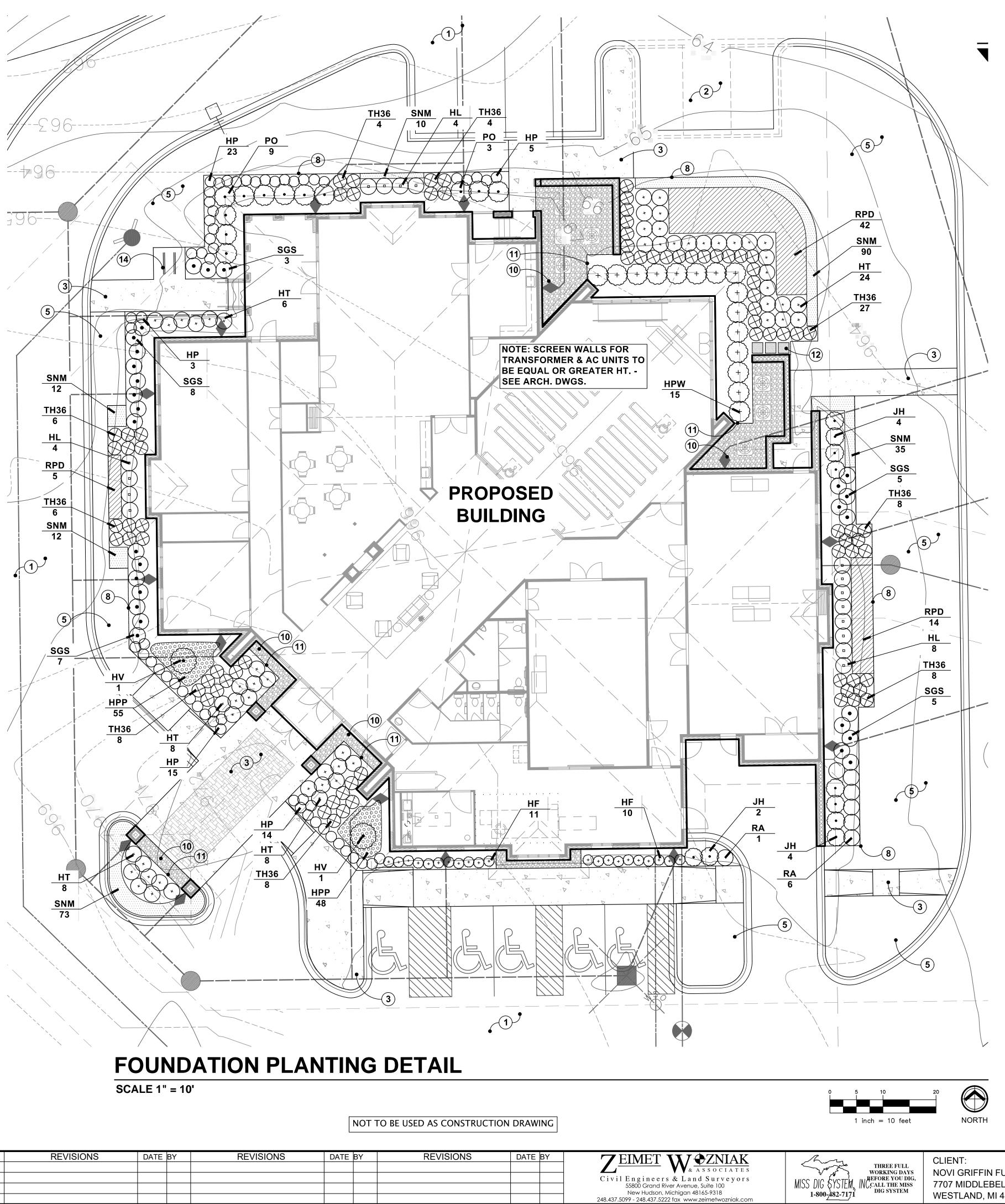




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REVISIONS	DATE	BY	REVISIONS	DATE	BY	REVISIONS	DATE	BY	RE
RVSD. PER OWNER	9/27/17	SD							
FINAL SITE PLAN	12/12/17	SD							
STAMPING SETS	3/2/18	SD							

NOVI GRIFFIN FUNERAL HOME, LLC 7707 MIDDLEBELT RD. WESTLAND, MI 48185

		LT PLANTINGS				
QUAN.	<u>KEY</u>	COMMON/ BOTANICAL NAME	SIZE	SPEC.	<u>UNIT</u>	TOTAL
8	NS	Sour Gum Nyssa sylvatica	3" Cal.	B&B	\$ 400.00	\$ 3,200.0
7	PGD	Black Hills Spruce	7' ht.	B&B	\$ 325.00	\$ 2,275.0
12	AL	<i>Picea g. 'Densata'</i> Downy Serviceberry - single stem	2" Cal.	B&B	\$ 250.00	\$ 3,000.0
14	CF	Amalanchier laevis Flowering Dogwood	7' ht.	B&B	\$ 250.00	\$ 3,500.0
	01	Cornus florida	4 stem m		¢ 200.00	• 0,000.0
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10	UP	Pioneer Elm Ulmus 'Pioneer'	3" Cal.	B&B	\$ 325.00	\$ 3,250.0
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17	AC	Concolor Fir Abies concolor	7' ht.	B&B	\$ 325.00	\$ 5,525.0
20	PG	White Spruce Picea glauca	7' ht.	B&B	\$ 325.00	\$ 6,500.0
16	PGD	Black Hills Spruce Picea g. 'Densata'	7' ht.	B&B	\$ 325.00	\$ 5,200.0
43	MP	Bayberry	30" Ht.	B&B	\$ 50.00	\$ 2,150.0
32	VD	<i>Myrica pensylvanica</i> Arrowood Viburnum	30" Ht.	B&B	\$ 50.00	\$ 1,600.0
		Viburnum dentatum		242	• •••••	,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,
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17	LT	Tulip Tree Liriodendron tulipfera	3" Cal.	B&B	\$ 400.00	\$ 6,800.0
15	со	Hackberry	3" Cal.	B&B	\$ 400.00	\$ 6,000.0
15	GT	Celtis occidentalis Skyline Honeylocust	3" Cal.	B&B	\$ 400.00	\$ 6,000.0
		Gleditsia t. 'Skyline'				
15	QB	Swamp White Oak <i>Quercus bicolor</i>	3" Cal.	B&B	\$ 400.00	\$ 6,000.0
11	AR	Red Pointe Red Maple Acer r. 'Red Pointe'	3" Cal.	B&B	\$ 400.00	\$ 4,400.0
1	NS	Sour Gum	3" Cal.	B&B	\$ 400.00	\$ 400.0
		Nyssa sylvatica				
		N BASIN PLANTINGS				
38	CS	Redtwig Dogwood Cornus sericea	30" Ht.	Cont.	\$ 50.00	\$ 1,900.0
26	AM	Iriquois Beauty Chokeberry Aronia m. 'Iriquois Beauty'	30" Ht.	Cont.	\$ 50.00	\$ 1,300.0
33	POC	Coppertina Ninebark	30" Ht.	Cont.	\$ 50.00	\$ 1,650.0
3	BSM	Physocarpus o. 'Coppertina' Basin Slope Seed Mix	34 lbs/ac	LBS.	\$ 300.00	\$ 900.0
		ON PLANTINGS				
2		Vernal Witchhazel	48" ht.	B&B	\$ 50.00	\$ 100.0
		Hamamalis vernalis				
54	НТ	Tuff Stuff Hydrangea Hydrangea serrata'Tuff Stuff	3 gal.	Cont.	\$ 50.00	\$ 2,700.0
79	TH36	Hicks Yew Taxus x m. 'Hicksii'	36" Ht.	Cont.	\$ 50.00	\$ 3,950.0
30	SGS	Golden Sunrise Spirea	24" Ht.	Cont.	\$ 50.00	\$ 1,500.0
10	JH	Spirea j. 'Golden Sunrise Hetz Columnar Juniper	5' ht.	B&B	\$ 50.00	\$ 500.0
7	DA	Juniperus c. 'Hetz Columnaris'	40" 14	Cant	¢ 50.00	¢ 250.0
7	RA	Gro-Low Sumac Rhus a. 'Gro-Low'	18" Ht.	Cont.	\$ 50.00	\$ 350.0
16	HL	Little Lime Hydrangea <i>Hydrangea p. 'Little Lime'</i>	30" Ht.	Cont.	\$ 50.00	\$ 800.0
15	HPW	Pinky Winky Hydrangea Hydrangea p. 'Pinky Winky'	30" Ht.	Cont.	\$ 50.00	\$ 750.0
61	RPD	Peach Drift Rose	24" Ht.	Cont.	\$ 50.00	\$ 3,050.0
12	PO	Rosa 'Peach Drift' Summer Wine Ninebark	30" Ht.	Cont.	\$ 50.00	\$ 600.0
220	CNIM	Physocarpus o. 'Summer Wine'				
329	SNM	Marcus Sage Salvia nemorosa 'Marcus'	1 gal.	Cont.	\$ 15.00	\$ 4,935.0
138	HPP	Palace Purple Coralbells Heuchera 'Palace Purple'	1 gal.	Cont.	\$ 15.00	\$ 2,070.0
60	HP	Patriot Hosta Hosta 'Patriot'	1 gal.	Cont.	\$ 15.00	\$ 900.0
21	HF	Francee Hosta	1 gal.	Cont.	\$ 15.00	\$ 315.0
103	СВ	Hosta 'Francee' Carex Buchananii	1 gal.	Cont.	\$ 15.00	\$ 1,545.0
100		Leatherleaf Sedge Red Rooster	r yal.	South.	Ψ 10.00	Ψ 1, <b>3</b> 43.0
148	SHREDD	ED HARD BARK MULCH (C.Y.)			\$ 40.00	\$ 5,920.0
6984	SEEDED	LAWN (S.Y.)			\$ 2.50	\$ 17,460.0

NOTE:

1. CONTRACTOR TO VERIFY ALL PLANT QUANTITIES.

2. PLANT SPECIES SELECTIONS PROVIDED TO MEET

CITY REQUIREMENTS. 3. DO <u>NOT</u> USE DWARF SPECIES OF CORNUS SERICEA.

# NOTE KEY: • 1

- (1) ASPHALT PARKING LOT
- (2) LAND BANKED PARKING, SEE CIVIL ENGINEERING DRAWINGS
- (3) CONCRETE SIDEWALK SEE CIVIL DWGS.
- (4) PROPOSED FOUNDATION PLANTINGS, SEE SHEET LP-2 5 SEEDED LAWN OVER MINIMUM 4" DEPTH TOPSOIL. SEE TOPSOIL NOTE BELOW, ALL DISTURBED AREAS
- (6) SNOW DEPOSIT AREA
- (7) CONTINUOUS MULCH BED
- 8 SHOVEL CUT BED EDGE, TYPICAL 9 25' CLEAR VISION TRIANGLE
- (10) 2" DIA. EGGSTONE OVER FILTER MAT
- (11) 4" RYERSON STEEL EDGING,  $\frac{1}{4}$ " THICK
- (12) 2 FT. X 2 FT. CONC. PATIO STEPPING STONE
- (13) PROJECT SIGN SEE ARCH. DRAWINGS.
- (14) PROPOSED BIKE RACKS
- 15 NATIVE SEEDING, SEED TO EDGE OF WATER, SEE MIX SHEET LP-3

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## PLANT MIX

- ALL PLANTING/ PERENNIAL BEDS TO RECEIVE:
- 1 6 CU FT. COMPOST
- 1 40 LB BAG DRIMANURE
- 1 1 LB BAG SHEMINS 13-13-13 MULTI PURPOSE FERTILIZER
- PER 100 SQ FT BED AREA.

HAND TILL INTO SOIL TO A DEPTH OF 12" MINIMUM

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FOUNDATION PLANTING PLAN **GRIFFIN FUNERAL HOME** NOVI, MICHIGAN, SEC 20



## PLANNING COMMISSION Action Summary

CITY OF NOVI Regular Meeting June 14, 2017 7:00 PM Council Chambers | Novi Civic Center | 45175 W. Ten Mile (248) 347-0475

### CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM.

### ROLL CALL

- Present: Member Anthony, Member Avdoulos, Member Giacopetti, Chair Pehrson, Member Zuchlewski
- Absent: Member Greco (absent excused), Member Lynch (absent excused)
- Also Present: Barbara McBeth, City Planner; Tom Schultz, City Attorney; Kirsten Mellem, Planner; Sri Komaragiri, Planner; Rick Meader, Landscape Architect; Darcy Rechtien, Staff Engineer; Maureen Peters, Traffic Consultant

### APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion to approve the June 14, 2017 Planning Commission Agenda. Motion carried 5-0.

### CONSENT AGENDA - REMOVALS AND APPROVAL

### **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

### 1. BOLINGBROKE JSP17-34

Public hearing at the request of Singh Development, LLC for approval of Preliminary Site Plan, Site Condominium, Woodland Permit, and Stormwater Management Plan. The subject property is located in Section 10 at the intersection of Novi and Old Novi Roads, north of 12½ Mile Road and is zoned R-4, One Family Residential. The applicant is proposing to develop the 19.78 acre parcel to 46 single-family, detached residential site condominiums.

In the matter of Bolingbroke JSP 17-34, motion to postpone the consideration of the Preliminary Site Plan, Site Condominium, Woodland Permit, and Stormwater Management Plan to the next Planning Commission meeting based on applicant's request. *Motion carried 5-0.* 

### 2. TAFT KNOLLS III JSP16-67

Public Hearing at the request of 25150 Taft Road, LLC for Preliminary Site Plan With Open Space Preservation Option, Site Condominium, Wetland Permit, Woodland Permit and Stormwater Management Plan Approval. The Subject Property is located in Section 22, South of Eleven Mile Road and East of Taft Road and is Zoned R-4 (One Family Residential). The applicant is proposing to construct up to 15 unit single-family residential development (Site Condominium) utilizing the Open Space Preservation Option.

In the matter of Taft Knolls III JSP16-67, motion to postpone the consideration of the Preliminary Site Plan with open Space Preservation Option, Site Condominium, Wetland Permit, Woodland Permit, and Stormwater Management Plan to another Planning Commission meeting, to be determined by staff, to evaluate the impacts of recently identified pre-existing easements on the site. *Motion carried 5-0*.

### 3. A123 SYSTEMS (fka Fountain Office Park) JSP17-21

Public Hearing at the request of Etkin, LLC for approval of Preliminary Site Plan, Woodland Permit, and Stormwater Management Plan. The subject parcel is located in Section 15, west of Cabaret Drive and south of Twelve Mile Road and is zoned OST, Planned Office Service Technology. The applicant is proposing to develop the 31.25 acre parcel for two buildings: one office/lab space of 128,936 square feet and the other as assembly building of 53,469 square feet including associated site improvements.

In the matter of A123 Systems JSP17-21, motion to approve the Preliminary Site Plan based on and subject to the following:

- a. Planning waiver from Section 5.16 for not providing covered bicycle parking spaces for 25% of the required bicycle parking spaces, which is hereby granted;
- b. Applicant to provide a sidewalk on Twelve Mile Road;
- c. The findings of compliance with Ordinance standards in the staff and consultant review letters and the conditions and the items listed in those letters being addressed on the Final Site Plan.

This motion is made 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. *Motion carried 5-0.* 

In the matter of A123 Systems JSP17-21, motion to approve the Woodland Permit based on and subject to the findings of compliance with Ordinance standards in the staff and consultant review letters, and the conditions and items listed in those letters being addressed on the Final Site Plan. This motion is made because the plan is otherwise in compliance with Chapter 37 of the Code of Ordinances and all other applicable provisions of the Ordinance. *Motion carried 5-0.* 

In the matter of A123 Systems JSP17-21, motion to approve the Stormwater Management Plan based on and subject to the findings of compliance with Ordinance standards in the staff and consultant review letters, and the conditions and items listed in those letters being addressed on the Final Site Plan. This motion is made because the plan is otherwise in compliance with Chapter 11 of the Code of Ordinances and all other applicable provisions of the Ordinance. *Motion carried 5-0.* 

### MATTERS FOR CONSIDERATION

### 1. GRIFFIN FUNERAL HOME JSP17-13

Consideration at the request of Novi Funeral Home, LLC for Special Land Use Permit, Preliminary Site Plan, and Stormwater Management Plan Approval. The subject property is located in Section 20, at the southwest corner of Eleven Mile Road and Beck Road and is zoned RA (Residential Acreage). The applicant is proposing to construct a 13,000 sq. ft. building, 98 parking spaces, 23 landbank parking spaces, and associated site improvements for use as a funeral home. A special land use is required for a non-residential use in a residential zoned property.

## In the matter of Griffin Funeral Home JSP17-13, motion to approve the Special Land Use Permit based on and subject to the following:

a. The proposed use will not cause any detrimental impact on existing thoroughfares based on review of the Traffic Study.

- b. The proposed use will not cause any detrimental impact on the capabilities of
- c. public services and facilities as this area was already planned for development;
- d. The proposed use is compatible with the natural features and characteristics of the land because the plan has minor impacts on existing natural features;
- e. The proposed use is compatible with adjacent uses of land because the proposed use conforms to the standards of the district and the requirements of mortuary establishments;
- f. The proposed use is consistent with the goals, objectives, and recommendations of the City's Master Plan for Land Use the project creates an aesthetically pleasing development, especially in residential areas;
- g. The proposed use will promote the use of land in a socially and economically desirable manner as the proposed use will provide a service needed in the community;
- h. The proposed use is (1) listed among the provision of uses requiring special land use review as set forth in the various zoning districts of this Ordinance, and (2) is in harmony with the purposes and conforms to the applicable site design regulations of the zoning district in which it is located;

This motion is made because the plan is otherwise in compliance with Article 3, Article 4, Article 5, and Article 6 of the Zoning Ordinance and all other applicable provisions of the Ordinance. *Motion carried 5-0.* 

In the matter of Griffin Funeral Home JSP17-13, motion to approve the Preliminary Site Plan based on and subject to the following:

- a. Approval of up to 23 landbank parking (121 required, 98 provided, 23 land banked) due to Planning Commissions finding below, which is hereby granted;
  - The applicant has demonstrated through substantial evidence that the specified occupant and building use will require less parking than what is required by the Zoning Ordinance;
  - Parking will not occur on any street or driveway;
  - Parking will not occur on any area not approved and developed for parking;
  - Parking will not occur on that area where parking construction has been landbanked until such time as that area is constructed for such parking;
  - The requested parking landbanking will not create traffic or circulation problems on or off site; and
  - The requested parking lankbanking will be consistent with the public health, safety and welfare of the City and the purposes of the Zoning Ordinance;
- b. Waiver for absence of noise impact statement due to the nature of use, which is hereby granted;
- c. Landscape waiver from Section 5.5.3.B.ii and iii to permit reduction of required height for berm along western property line (4.5 feet to 6 feet required) provided opacity for screening is met along the property line, which is hereby granted;
- d. Landscape waiver from Section 5.5.3.8.ii for absence of required berm along southern property, due to applicants written intent that the property to the south will be developed non-residential and to retrofit the site to provide the required buffer and screening if it is developed residential in future, which is hereby granted;
- e. Landscape waiver from section 5.5.3.E.i.c for reduction of minimum required street trees along Beck Road (13 required, 10 provided) due to conflicts with corner clearance, which is hereby granted;
- f. City Council Variance from Section 11-256.b of Design and Construction Standards Manual for absence of required sidewalk along Eleven Mile Road due to practical difficulties for extension of sidewalk beyond the site boundary, provided the applicant pays the city the current construction cost of the sidewalk, as approved by the City Engineer;
- g. The findings of compliance with Ordinance standards in the staff and consultant

review letters and the conditions and the items listed in those letters being addressed on the Final Site Plan; and

- h. There will be no parking in the streets adjoining residential districts;
- i. The applicant will coordinate the funeral procession timings with Novi School transportation to avoid any conflicts with school bus routes and timings.

This motion is made 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. *Motion carried 5-0.* 

In the matter of Griffin Funeral Home JSP17-13, motion to approve the Stormwater Management Plan based on and subject to the findings of compliance with Ordinance standards in the staff and consultant review letters, and the conditions and items listed in those letters being addressed on the Final Site Plan. This motion is made because the plan is otherwise in compliance with Chapter 11 of the Code of Ordinances and all other applicable provisions of the Ordinance. *Motion carried 5-0.* 

### 2. BUILDING NO. 2 DRIVE THROUGH AT NOVI TOWN CENTER JSP 17-08

Consideration at the request of Novi Town Center Investors, LLC for Building No. 2 Drive Through at Novi Town Center JSP 17-08, for Planning Commission's recommendation to the City Council for approval of Special Land Use Permit, Preliminary Site Plan and Storm Water Management Plan. The subject property is zoned Town Center District (TC). It is located in Novi Town Center in Section 14, on the northeast corner of Grand River Avenue and Novi Road. The applicant is proposing to reconstruct the existing parking lot on the south west end of Novi Town Center in order to construct a drive-through lane for a future coffee shop. A 48 square foot addition along with outdoor seating is also proposed. A Special Land Use Permit is required in order to permit Drive-Through restaurants in the TC Town Center District.

In the matter of Building No. 2 Drive Through at Novi Town Center JSP 17-08, motion to recommend approval of the Special Land Use Permit based on and subject to the following:

- a. The proposed use will not cause any detrimental impact on existing thoroughfares (based on Traffic review);
- b. The proposed use will not cause any detrimental impact on the capabilities of public services and facilities (as the proposed use does not increase the usage);
- c. The proposed use is compatible with the natural features and characteristics of the land (because the proposed site plan includes modifications to previously developed land);
- d. The proposed use is compatible with adjacent uses of land (because the proposed use conforms to the standards of the district and the requirements of a Drive-Thru);
- e. The proposed use is consistent with the goals, objectives, and recommendations of the City's Master Plan for Land Use (the project fosters a favorable business climate);
- f. The proposed use will promote the use of land in a socially and economically desirable manner (as the proposed use will support and strengthen existing business development);
- g. The proposed use is (1) listed among the provision of uses requiring special land use review as set forth in the various zoning districts of this Ordinance, and (2) is in harmony with the purposes and conforms to the applicable site design regulations of the zoning district in which it is located.

This motion is made because the plan is otherwise in compliance with Article 3, Article 4, Article 5, and Article 6 of the Zoning Ordinance and all other applicable provisions of the Ordinance. *Motion carried 5-0.* 

In the matter of Building No. 2 Drive Through at Novi Town Center JSP 17-08, motion to recommend approval of the Preliminary Site Plan based on and subject to the following:

- a. Waiver to defer the submittal of noise impact statement at the time of tenant occupancy, due to the nature of use, which is hereby granted;
- b. Relocate the dumpster as indicated the revised layout shared via E-mail on May 01, 2017 to avoid conflicts with parking and sanitary sewer easement;
- c. Work with the City's Landscape Architect to propose appropriate planting to achieve the 80 to 90 percent opacity during winter months;
- d. Waiver to allow Queuing analysis in lieu of a Traffic Impact Study, submitted upon recommendation from City's Traffic Consultant, which is hereby granted;
- e. The findings of compliance with Ordinance standards in the staff and consultant review letters and the conditions and the items listed in those letters being addressed on the Final Site Plan.

This motion is made 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. *Motion carried 5-0.* 

In the matter of Building No. 2 Drive Through at Novi Town Center JSP 17-08, motion to recommend approval of the Stormwater Management Plan based on and subject to the findings of compliance with Ordinance standards in the staff and consultant review letters, and the conditions and items listed in those letters being addressed on the Final Site Plan. This motion is made because the plan is otherwise in compliance with Chapter 11 of the Code of Ordinances and all other applicable provisions of the Ordinance. *Motion carried 5-0.* 

### 3. DRIFTWOOD BAR & GRILL JSP17-07

Consideration at the request of Theodore Andis for approval of Preliminary Site Plan and Stormwater Management Plan. The subject property is located in Section 2 at the southeast corner of East Lake Drive and Fourteen Mile Road and is zoned B-3, General Business. The applicant is proposing to expand and upgrade the parking accommodations and to install a 32-seat outdoor seating area on the 1.9 acre combined parcel.

In the matter of Driftwood Bar & Grill, JSP17-07, motion to approve the Preliminary Site Plan based on and subject to the following:

- a. Zoning Board of Appeals variance for loading/unloading area less than 515 square feet and within required 30 foot building setback;
- Planning Commission waiver to reduce the berm height (3 feet required, 2 feet recommended) along Fourteen Mile Road in order to allow the installation of a sidewalk; which is hereby granted;
- c. Planning Commission waiver to reduce the berm height (3 feet required, 2 feet recommended) along East Lake Drive between the road and parking/detention basin, which is hereby granted;
- d. Planning Commission waiver from the street tree requirements along both frontages because this is an existing non-conforming site that has limited space and the installation of street trees is impractical; which is hereby granted;
- e. Planning Commission waiver along Fourteen Mile Road to reduce large trees (11 required; 7 recommended) and subcanopy tree (18 required; 10 recommended) requirements due to space availability and clear vision zones, which is hereby granted;
- f. Planning Commission waiver along East Lake Drive to reduce large trees (6 required; 4 recommended) and subcanopy tree (9 required; 6 recommended) requirements due to space availability and clear vision zones, which is hereby granted;
- g. Planning Commission waiver for parking lot interior trees (20 required; 8 recommended) due to space availability, which is hereby granted;
- h. Planning Commission waiver for parking lot perimeter trees (12 required; 7 provided) and to

space trees better along edge of parking lot, but closer to edge and not providing perimeter trees along Fourteen Mile Road or East Lake Road because of space availability, which is hereby granted;

- i. Planning Commission waiver for foundation landscaping because it cannot be placed around the building due to asphalt paving so remaining landscaping may be placed elsewhere if documented and approved by the Landscape Architect, which is hereby granted;
- j. Planning Commission waiver for wooden fence screening the loading zone due to lack of space and available sunlight on north side of building for any plantings, which is hereby granted;
- k. Applicant to provide landscape berm between business and residential on the south parcel lot line;
- 1. The findings of compliance with Ordinance standards in the staff and consultant review letters and the conditions and the items listed in those letters being addressed on the Final Site Plan.

This motion is made 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. *Motion carried 5-0.* 

In the matter of Driftwood Bar & Grill, JSP17-07, motion to approve the Stormwater Management Plan, subject to the findings of compliance with Ordinance standards in the staff and consultant review letters and the conditions and items listed in those letters being addressed on the Final Site Plan. This motion is made because the plan is otherwise in compliance with Chapter 11 of the Code of Ordinances and all other applicable provisions of the Ordinance. *Motion carried 5-0*.

### 4. APPROVAL OF THE APRIL 19, 2017 PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES

Motion to approve the April 19, 2017 Planning Commission Minutes. *Motion carried 5-0.* 

### ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

\*Actual language of the motions subject to review.

REGULAR MEETING - PLANNING COMMISSION

CITY OF NOVI

June 14, 2017

Proceedings taken in the matter of the PLANNING COMMISSION, at City of Novi, 45175 West Ten Mile Road, Novi, Michigan, on Wednesday, June 14, 2017

BOARD MEMBERS

Mark Pehrson, Chairperson

Robert Giacopetti

John Avdoulos

Tony Anthony

Ted Zuchlewski

ALSO PRESENT: Sri Komaragiri, City Planner,

Barbara McBeth, City Planner, Kirsten Mellem, City Planner. Rick Meader, Landscape Architect, Thomas Schultz, City Attorney,

Darcie Reichiten, Engineer.

Certified Shorthand Reporter: Jennifer L. Wall

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1	Novi, Michigan.
2	Wednesday, June 14, 2017
3	7:00 p.m.
4	** ** **
5	CHAIRPERSON PEHRSON: I would
6	like to call to order the June 14th, 2017
7	regular meeting of the Planning Commission.
8	Sri?
9	MS. KOMARAGIRI: Member Anthony.
10	MR. ANTHONY: Here.
11	MS. KOMARAGIRI: Member Avdoulos?
12	MR. AVDOULOS: Here.
13	MS. KOMARAGIRI: Member
14	Giacopetti.
15	MR. GIACOPETTI: Here.
16	MS. KOMARAGIRI: Member Greco?
17	CHAIRPERSON PEHRSON: Absent,
18	excused.
19	MS. KOMARAGIRI: Member Lynch?
20	CHAIRPERSON PEHRSON: Absent,
21	excused.
22	MS. KOMARAGIRI: Chair Pehrson?
23	CHAIRPERSON PEHRSON: Here.

Page 3 1 MS. KOMARAGIRI: Member 2 Zuchlewski? 3 MR. ZUCHLEWSKI: Here. 4 CHAIRPERSON PEHRSON: With that, 5 if we could stand for the Pledge of 6 Allegiance. 7 (Pledge recited.) 8 CHAIRPERSON PEHRSON: Look for a 9 motion to approve the agenda or modify 10 thereof. 11 MR. GIACOPETTI: Motion to 12 approve the agenda. 13 MR. ANTHONY: Second. 14 CHAIRPERSON PEHRSON: We have a 15 motion and a second, any comments? All those 16 in favor say aye. 17 THE BOARD: Aye. 18 CHAIRPERSON PEHRSON: We have an 19 agenda. 20 Come to our first audience 21 participation. We have three public 2.2 hearings. If there is anyone in the audience 23 that wishes to address the Planning

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1	Commission on something other than one of
2	three public hearings, please step forward at
3	this time, you will have three minutes to
4	express your concerns.
5	AUDIENCE PARTICIPANT: Thank you
6	for this opportunity. My name is
7	Dr. Charlene Babcock McHugh. I wanted to
8	comment on the funeral home plans for Eleven
9	Mile and Beck.
10	I just want to make several
11	points. The first point I want to make is
12	realtor.com, which is an indepednent
13	objective analysis of impact of different
14	types of businesses and homes around the area
15	has determined that there was a 6.5 percent
16	reduction in property values.
17	Now, given that the average
18	property values in the area is about
19	\$300,000, that's about a \$20,000 reduction in
20	property values. If you think about a
21	\$500,000 home, it's about \$32,000 reduction
22	of property values. That is substantial. I
23	also want to make the point that there is no

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1	ł	nardship, there is no reason that the funeral
2	ľ	nome needs to be put at that location. There
3	i i	is ample real estate north of Eleven Mile,
4	t	that's not residential, that you could put
5	i	it. There is no hardship reason that have
6	t	the homeowners suffer because of a funeral
7	ł	nome has to go there.
8		I also want to make the point,
9	ā	at the last meeting, one of the council
10	n	nembers, the board members, made the point
11	t	that it's better than a strip mall.
12		Well, that area is zoned
13	1	residential. It's still better to be
14	1	residential than a strip mall or a funeral
15	ł	nome.
16		So that point was mute,
17	ā	although we we weren't allowed to make a
18	C	comment, I know the funeral home came up and
19	n	made a speel about how wonderful their family
20	i	is. I am sure they are wonderful, that's
21	t	cotally irrelevant.
22		The point is, is that a funeral
23	ł	nome is still not the same as a strip mall.

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1		It's not the same as residential.
2		Residential is still ideal in that location.
3		Four of the five of the board
4		members commented about the master plan,
5		about keeping commercial endeavors north of
6		Eleven Mile.
7	0	And I want to reinforce how
8		important I support that opinion. I think
9		once you start to have residential go south
10		of Eleven Mile, you kind of open Pandora's
11		box. I think that those consequences will be
12		far reaching beyond the life span of your
13		service as a zoning board member. It
14		certainly goes against what you describe as
15		the master plan.
16		I am a physician, emergency
17		medicine. I graduated from the University of
18		Michigan, with a degree before that and a
19		masters of biostatistics. I know that they
20		said there was a traffic study that was done,
21		that said there would be no impact on the
22		traffic.
23		Well, I have to tell you, from

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1	the science perspective, I really hope you
2	totally disregard that. Any study that is
3	done and supported by somebody who has an
4	invested interest in the outcome, the results
5	are biased. You can't rely on that. There
6	is no way that you can say that because the
7	funeral home did a study on traffic that
8	there is no problem, that that's reality.
9	And I think back that up with lots of studies
10	if you want to, but I don't want to bore you
11	because I only have three minutes.
12	CHAIRPERSON PEHRSON: Your time
13	is up, if you could summarize, please.
14	AUDIENCE PARTICIPANT: Yes, I can
15	summarize. The parking issue has not been
16	addressed. The decrease in the homeowner's
17	cost of 6.5 percent reduction of homeowners,
18	and the traffic study which is not valid.
19	Finally, I trust that the board
20	members will stay to the main plan of not
21	keeping commercial study commercial
22	endeavors south of Eleven Mile. Thank you
23	for your time.

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1	CHAIRPERSON PEHRSON: Thank you.
2	Anyone else?
3	AUDIENCE PARTICIPANT: I would
4	like to address the funeral home as well.
5	CHAIRPERSON PEHRSON: Please
6	state your name.
7	AUDIENCE PARTICIPANT: I'm Chris
8	Wigowski. I live in Pioneer Meadows. I
9	would graciously ask you to vote no on this
10	matter. If I mention a point that's already
11	been brought up, just take it as a
12	reiteration. First and foremost, I would
13	like to say there is no doubt in my mind that
14	the integrity of the Griffin family or the
15	cleanliness and upkeep of the facilities,
16	with that being said, there are many
17	locations on Grand River or Twelve Mile that
18	would better suit this establishment, in my
19	opinion.
20	North of Eleven Mile has been
21	forever and should be the baseline of
22	commericial business. This funeral home, in
23	my opinion, would bring a cosmetically gross

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1	dissimilarity to the neighboring dwellings.
2	The number one reason I would like for you to
3	take into consideration is the traffic. If
4	you were to do a proper traffic impact study,
5	you would see the high density of cars in
6	this intersection. From personal experience,
7	our house has a direct view to Beck Road, the
8	traffic volume is high at all times in the
9	day and evening, during the week and
10	weekends. Last meeting someone had mentioned
11	that the processions are usually held early
12	in the day, however, that's not always true.
13	Also, viewing times can be any time of the
14	day. This will cause high traffic congestion
15	in and out all day, hindering the ambulances
16	to Providence Hospital and the buses from
17	many of the schools in the nearby area. Beck
18	is one of the only roads extending the entire
19	length from US96 to M-14. This will alone on
20	a two-lane highway brings higher volumes of
21	traffic.
22	Another thing to consider is
23	the overflow of parking. As there is no

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1	]	parking on Beck or Eleven Mile, all overflow
2		traffic will park in Pioneer Meadows
3	6	subdivision, in front of all our houses,
4		which no one wants. There is not sufficient
5		parking for this establishment to not have an
6		overflow at times. I have been at many
7		funerals, they have multiple viewings at once
8		with an excess amount of people. The barn
9		that is on the property is close to being a
10		historical monument to the city. It is the
11		most recognizable landmark in the city. Yes,
12		we all understand that it won't always be
13		there, but if there is a chance for us to
14		prolong its destruction, I feel it's our duty
15		to do so. Yes, we understand that other
16		things can go on the property that are a
17		bigger eyesore and headache, however, if that
18		was the case, and a different proposal was on
19		the table, we would be back here again hoping
20		and fighting for the board to consider the
21		people's opinion and vote no.
22		One last thing I would like you
23		to consider is property value, as she stated.

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1	I will just skip that.
2	Please take into consideration
3	all my points when voting. Please put
4	yourself in our shoes not as a resident of
5	Novi, but as a concerned family of Pioneer
6	Meadows, directly adjacent to the proposed
7	establishment. Please take in consideration
8	the entire communities of Pioneer Meadows and
9	Novi as a whole having to deal with
10	concealing high traffic volumes, substantial
11	decrease in property value, lower morale of
12	all our children and all around pristine
13	beauty and close knit family feel of Beck and
14	Eleven Mile. Please vote no and let us keep
15	the residential feel for our families.
16	Please do your duty as a board to do what is
17	in the best interest of the people and for
18	the community. Thank you.
19	CHAIRPERSON PEHRSON: Anyone
20	else?
21	AUDIENCE PARTICIPANT: Hello, my
22	name is Michael Garvosic. I was also at the
23	meeting. I am asking you again to deny this
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1	special use request from the Griffin Funeral
2	Home. It was almost unanimous last meeting
3	from the board members and everybody in the
4	room that the line of demarcation should be
5	Eleven Mile. All commercial properties
6	should be north of Eleven Mile in this area.
7	For some of the board members who weren't
8	here, Michael Lynch said it was a bad
9	precedent for other property changes in Novi
10	and David Greco said it's not appropriate for
11	this site and he can't support it.
12	Being a long time Novi
13	resident, I used to play baseball on the
14	Bosco family properties. I remember growing
15	up seeing what this place looked like. I
16	know that one day progress will come and
17	times will change. It's something that we
18	have to get used to, and that's not a problem
19	from almost everybody in this room, if it's
20	kept residential. Building a small
21	subdivision, or a large subdivision, if it
22	goes all the way down Eleven Mile, is not
23	what we are concerned about. What we are

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1	concerned about is having a 13,000 square
2	foot building with 100 parking spots in front
3	of it. That just destroys the corner,
4	destroys the character.
5	When we look at Novi, we see
6	O'Brien Sullivan and what's around that.
7	Lots that are for sale that have been empty
8	forever. There is a small Safelite auto
9	glass repair, that's it. Nothing else has
10	wanted to move into that property. There is
11	a reason for that. The value is not there to
12	be next to a funeral home. With that, please
13	ask you to consider again to deny this
14	special use permit. Thank you.
15	CHAIRPERSON PEHRSON: Anyone
16	else.
17	AUDIENCE PARTICIPANT: Hi. My
18	name is Kelly Michael. I live in Pioneer
19	Meadows. Most of what I to have say is a
20	reiteration from all the people and from when
21	I spoke at the last hearing. What I am
22	asking from you as a Planning Commission
23	let me start over.

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1	You as the Planning Commission
2	members have the autonomy to make these
3	decisions of approval or rejection. Your job
4	in part is to have the citizens of the City
5	of Novi's best interest at heart. Meaning
6	your decision will benefit the citizens of
7	Novi. I personally cannot think of any way a
8	13,000 square foot funeral home in a
9	residential neighborhood could possibly
10	benefit the citizens of Novi. However, I can
11	think of many disadvantages this funeral home
12	would be bringing to our city and its
13	citizens. Some of these reasons many people
14	already spoke of, traffic increase, obviously
15	I live right there on Beck Road, all day,
16	every day, traffic is backed up at that
17	light. Doesn't matter if it's 10:00,
18	7:00 a.m., 9:00 p.m., the traffic is backed
19	up. Obviously, the loss of property value.
20	I mean, I don't want the value of my home to
21	go down 6.5 percent, neither does anybody
22	else in my neighborhood. Also, yeah,
23	obviously there is zoned commericial property

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1	in tons of other places in Novi. Why in our
2	residential corner right there, where the
3	buses drive by every day, our kids play, it's
4	just it doesn't make sense to me why
5	anybody could approve that.
6	In closing, you folks have the
7	responsibility and ability to affect the
8	future of our community, so please do the
9	right thing by all of our community members
10	and not pass the approval of this funeral
11	home being built in our city. Thank you.
12	CHAIRPERSON PEHRSON: Anyone
13	else.
14	AUDIENCE PARTICIPANT: I'm
15	McKenzie. I live in Pioneer Meadows. And I
16	am a fifth grader at Novi Meadows. I have
17	been a resident in Novi for 11 years. You
18	are probably thinking why should we listen to
19	a kid. Well, I live right across the street
20	from the farm. When I go to and from school,
21	I pass the farm. It is always so, so pretty.
22	And it has been my dream to live on a farm.
23	I now live right across the street from the
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1	farm. And I think that it is very when I
2	go to bed, I love watching the sunset over
3	the barn. If the funeral home is built, I
4	get to watch the sunset over a bunch of
5	practically somewhat dead people. Why would
6	anyone want to live near or across the street
7	from that. The kids at the new preschool see
8	the animals. If the funeral home gets put in
9	a neighborhood, that is sad. Neighborhoods
10	are for playing with friends and riding
11	bikes. All funeral homes care mostly about
12	is making money, not on how kids still feel
13	driving past every day to and from school.
14	Please make the right decision and not
15	approve the funeral home being built in our
16	neighborhood. Thank you.
17	CHAIRPERSON PEHRSON: Anyone
18	else?
19	AUDIENCE PARTICIPANT: My name is
20	Kim Burns. I am from Pioneer Meadows as
21	well. Again, reiterate all of the previous
22	discussions. I really want to say we have
23	elected you as our officials to represent the

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1	people, and not necessarily only businesses.
2	We do move to Novi to take the benefits of
3	Novi and the values of Novi. And we do
4	expect that our elected officials will stand
5	behind the people. If this is not rated as a
6	commercial property, I am a little unclear as
7	to why we're pushing so hard to make it a
8	commericial property in a residential area.
9	Nonetheless, I am not going to
10	reiterate what everybody said. We elected
11	you as officials to represent us as the
12	people. This is my first meeting, and so
13	far, with everybody coming up here, I have
14	barely seen anybody pay attention to anything
15	anybody said. So I hope that you really will
16	consider what the people are saying and vote
17	no. Thank you.
18	CHAIRPERSON PEHRSON: Anyone
19	else?
20	AUDIENCE PARTICIPANT: My name is
21	Diana Calvin. I have actually lived in
22	Pioneer Meadows since 1983, and regardless of
23	the traffic, whether or not keeping

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1	commercial properties above Eleven Mile,
2	there is something majestic about the farm,
3	and about the barn. And I raised my daughter
4	in Pioneer Meadows. And I certainly would
5	love to see other kids get to continue to see
6	this beautiful piece of property. I think
7	with Novi, you know, there is a lot of
8	business, a lot of areas that they could take
9	their business and keep this farm as a
10	historical site, as something that kind of
11	adds, kind of a quaintness to our community
12	as opposed to having it just all built up and
13	eventually you know, we live in Novi
14	because we don't want to live in New York
15	City or in big cities where there is a lot of
16	businesses that are encroaching on
17	residential areas. So anyway, I just really
18	love the farm. And I have always appreciated
19	the Bosco family for taking good care of it.
20	Thank you.
21	CHAIRPERSON PEHRSON: Anyone
22	else?
23	AUDIENCE PARTICIPANT: My name is
	 Luzod Reporting Service Inc

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1	John Garvosic. I am not a resident of
2	Pioneer Meadows, but Yorkshire Place. I am a
3	long time resident and have seen many master
4	plans that the city has put out over these
5	years. The purpose of the master plan is to
6	have a development for everybody to know what
7	is going to be planned, why you buy your
8	property, where you're going to live, your
9	access and so forth. And this land is
10	designated as residential and you're now
11	trying to change it from people that have
12	already made decisions before you. If this
13	goes and that section is commercial, who is
14	going want to go around that property and
15	build any residential. There is a number of
16	residential properties that are being taken
17	up by South Lyon and people are moving and
18	they're avoiding Novi. How come if
19	residential is not being used in this
20	particular area, what are we doing as a
21	community that's limiting the value or not
22	allowing people to move in? The only thing
23	that we have now like on Beck and Ten Mile is

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1	six, \$700,000 homes. We are missing the boat
2	to take the middle income person to have a
3	spot to go and live in Novi. So I really
4	would like you to consider not changing the
5	zoning and keeping that and allowing the
6	funeral home to find a different location on
7	a main road like Twelve Mile or Grand River
8	which has ample property available. Thank
9	you.
10	CHAIRPERSON PEHRSON: Anyone
11	else?
12	AUDIENCE PARTICIPANT: Good
13	evening. My name is Ann Snowden Miller. I
14	have lived in Novi since 1962. I was raised
15	in Pioneer Meadows. I have been in the
16	Bosco's house, played with the Bosco kids,
17	went to school with the Bosco kids. And I
18	appreciate all that they have done for the
19	community. I love their property. I have
20	skated on their pond. I chased their cattle
21	back into their yard when we were little. At
22	this time, I have moved back into Pioneer
23	Meadows as an adult in the same home that I

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1	grew up in. I came in late tonight, so I
2	apologize if I reiterate anything that anyone
3	else has said, however, it took me seven
4	minutes to get out Pioneer Meadows tonight
5	because of traffic.
6	One of the things that I am
7	concerned with, and I am sure that other
8	people are concerned with, not only the
9	traffic, but our property values, you know,
10	again, the driveway, I wonder where if, this
11	does pass, and I'm sorry, I hope it doesn't
12	pass, I am sorry for the people that want to
13	do business here, we already have a funeral
14	home in Novi, where would the driveway go? I
15	am also curious, where would the pond go. I
16	fished in that pond, I have ice skated on
17	that pond. I wonder if you're going to put a
18	building on that property, where would all
19	that water go. So aside from the traffic and
20	the property values, I am definitely against
21	this, and I will really hope that there would
22	be some way to preserve that property in a
23	manner that it still is, something natural,

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1	something for nature, something for future
2	generations besides, no pun intended, future
3	generations for a funeral home. I really
4	would appreciate, you know, everything taken
5	into consideration that you vote no. Thank
6	you.
7	CHAIRPERSON PEHRSON: Thank you.
8	Anyone else?
9	AUDIENCE PARTICIPANT: My name is
10	Cindy Lu. I live in Novi for 15 years. And
11	I think that reason I come to Novi is the
12	farm house attract me. At Christmastime
13	always the wreath is there. And I just so
14	sad to see it go. And I really don't see
15	just like everybody else that the benefit of
16	putting 13,000 square feet building in this
17	location. We have ample space north of Grand
18	River, north of Eleven Mile. And I don't see
19	the benefit. I really appreciate this city
20	and provide this kind of meeting to discuss
21	it and listen to us, and that's think
22	about back to my country at that time, so I
23	just want to use this opportunity to express

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1	my opinion and hope the city officials will
2	truly listen. Thanks.
3	CHAIRPERSON PEHRSON: Thank you.
4	Anyone else. See no one else, we will close
5	the audience participation.
6	At this point in time, Barb, I
7	am assuming we will take the yes and no at
8	the proper time?
9	MS. MCBETH: That's correct.
10	CHAIRPERSON PEHRSON: I don't
11	believe we have any other correspondence,
12	committee reports, city planner report,
13	Ms. McBeth.
14	MS. MCBETH: Thank you. I just
15	had a brief announcement that the City
16	Council approved the second reading of the
17	Zoning Ordinance Text Amendment that related
18	to the landscape ordinance updates, that Rick
19	Meader had worked so hard on.
20	So pretty soon the review
21	letters that you will see coming across your
22	table will be consistent with the updated
23	landscape ordinance. Thank you, Mr. Chair.

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1	MS. MELLEM: Member Anthony?
2	MR. ANTHONY: Yes.
3	MS. MELLEM: Member Avdoulos?
4	MR. AVDOULOS: Yes.
5	MS. MELLEM: Motion passes five
6	to zero.
7	CHAIRPERSON PEHRSON: All set.
8	Thank you. Next on the agenda, matters for
9	consideration, item number one, Griffin
10	Funeral Home, JSP17-13.
11	It's a consideration at the
12	request of Novi Funeral Home, LLC for special
13	land use permit, preliminary site plan and
14	storm water management plan approval. The
15	subject property is located in Section 20 at
16	the southwest corner of Eleven Mile Road and
17	Beck and zoned RA residential acreage. The
18	applicant is proposing to construct a 13,000
19	square foot building, 98 parking spaces, 23
20	land bank parking spaces and associated site
21	improvements for use as a funeral home.
22	Special land use is required as a
23	non-residential use in a residential zoned

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1 property. Sri. Good evening. 2 MS. KOMARAGIRI: Thank vou. As 3 you recall, the Planning Commission held a public hearing on April 19 and postponed the 4 decision for a later time. The decision was 5 6 made to allow time for further discussion between applicant and the staff, given the 7 comments provided by the Planning Commission 8 9 and the residents at that time. The subject property is zoned residential acreage and the 10 proposed funeral home is considered a special 11 land use in the existing RA district, which 12 13 is subject to Planning Commission's approval. The intent of the special land use is to 14 15 allow development of service uses to serve the residential community. In addition to 16 the RA zoning, the subject parcel also has an 17 18 option to be developed using planned suburban low rise overlay, which allows for 19 20 development of other low intensity 21 non-residential uses, that are typically not 22 allowed as permitted or as a special land use under typical RA zoning. 23

1	Page 56 These allowed uses are intended
2	to serve as transition uses between
3	residential and higher intensity office and
4	retail uses. Based on discussions with city
5	staff, the applicant is currently requesting
6	a special land use approval to propose a
7	funeral home at this location. The subject
8	property is designated as suburban low rise
9	on a future land use map, all properties east
10	of Beck and Eleven Mile are zoned and
11	designated as residential. Properties west
12	of Beck are listed as suburban low rise uses
13	to create the buffer between the residential
14	uses and the major thoroughfare. The
15	property surrounding the subject property is
16	zoned residential, but is owned and operated
17	by the Novi schools. There are no regulated
18	woodlands on the property. They have
19	regulated wetlands, which is essentially I
20	am sorry. There are proposed minor impacts
21	to the existing wetlands, which is the pond.
22	The applicant is proposing a lot split and is
23	developing the northern part with the current

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The applicant is proposing to

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construct the 12,176 square feet building with 98 parking spaces, and associated site improvements. In addition he is requesting an approval of 23 land bank parking spaces as indicated around the site. The number was reached upon -based on the use and statistics provided from his current facilities. The site plan also indicates 12 assembly places. The revised submittal did not propose any changes to the site since the Planning Commission saw it last time. All the staff and consultant comments and recommendations from April 19 meeting still apply. Revised submittal included a narrative addressing the factors listed in Section 6.2C, which are subjected to the Planning Commission's findings for approval of special land use request. The planning staff reviewed the narrative and agrees with the findings of the The review letter is included in the report. packet. The traffic study is typically not

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1	required for the proposed development per our
2	standards, however, there were serious
3	concerns raised at the last public hearing
4	regarding traffic congestion and possible
5	conflicts with the school bus routes. In
6	response, the applicant has submitted a
7	traffic impact study for your review.
8	Additional information as
9	requested in the letter was provided this
10	morning. Based on the review of the first
11	submittal, a traffic consultant found that
12	the Griffin Funeral Home is expected to have
13	minimal impact on traffic and the level of
14	service is expected to remain the same for
15	every approach of Eleven Mile and Beck Road.
16	Based on a cursory review of
17	revised study, our consultant discovered some
18	methodologies and calculations applied
19	throughout the study changed considerably
20	from those that were used in the additional
21	study provided.
22	Further review is required to
23	substantiate the previous findings. The

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1	funeral services are assumed to not occur
2	during peak traffic periods, so there is not
3	enough estimated traffic to warrant the
4	left-turn lane or left-turn passing lane.
5	Our traffic consultant, Maureen Peters, is
6	here to answer any questions you may have in
7	this regard.
8	The applicant also provided a
9	letter from Novi schools to Director of
10	Transportation that lists the bus timings and
11	the applicant intends to work with the school
12	to not have any funeral processions at those
13	times. The narrative included a perspective
14	that provides a view of the building from
15	residential properties across Beck Road in
16	response to a loss of use concerns raised at
17	the last meeting.
18	The applicant will expand on
19	this in his presentation. The applicant has
20	indicated that the proposed 12,000 square
21	feet is the minimum required for the services
22	they're providing in Novi, their existing
23	funeral homes in other communities range from

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1	9,500 to 18,000 square feet.
2	Based on the proposed
3	elevation, it is staff's opinion that the
4	scale and style of the building does not
5	appear to deviate from the residential
6	character of the neighborhood. The proposed
7	site plan is in conformance with the city
8	zoning ordinance with few minor deviations as
9	listed in the motion sheet, which are
10	supported by staff. All reviews are
11	recommending approval of special land use and
12	site plan along with the land bank parking
13	with additional comments to be addressed at
14	the time of final site plan.
15	Since the last meeting they
16	have received considerable public response.
17	They have received 11 letters in support of
18	the development and 12 opposed. In addition,
19	the developer also gathered 11 letters of
20	support and part of the response letter. All
21	of the correspondence is included in the
22	packet. All the public correspondence
23	received by staff is provided printed
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copies are provided, which are in front of you.

3 The Planning Commission is asked tonight to approve the special land 4 use, preliminary site plan with land bank 5 parking and storm water management plan. 6 Planning Commission is also asked to review 7 8 the site plan based on the special land use considerations and also make a finding for 9 the adequacy of the proposed assembly spaces. 10 The applicant, David Griffin is here tonight 11 12 with his engineer Andy Wozniak to answer any questions you may have. And he would also be 13 making a short presentation. Staff is here 14 for any questions you have for us. 15 Thank 16 you. 17 CHAIRPERSON PEHRSON: Thank you, 18 Sri. The applicant wish to address the Planning Commission. 19

20 MR. GRIFFIN: Good evening. My 21 name is David Griffin. And I am very happy 22 to have the opportunity to address the 23 Planning Commission again, along with the

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1	residents and to ease some of their concerns.
2	To begin with, my name is David
3	Griffin. With me tonight, I have my brother
4	Larry, who is also a licensed funeral
5	director at the funeral home. He is also my
6	partner. I brought my mom along. Mom is 88
7	years old. She started the business with my
8	father in 1954, and she is also a licensed
9	funeral director. And two other people I
10	have Andy Wozniak, our engineer, along with
11	Ernie Essad, our attorney for any legal type
12	questions that might come up.
13	At this point I would like my
14	mom to please stand up. Larry would like to
15	bring her up here. She has a few words. I
16	am just going to give a short presentation.
17	MS. GRIFFIN: Good evening. I
18	want to give you just a brief history of our
19	funeral home. In my 1954, my husband, Larry
20	and I, with the family support on both sides
21	of the family, we opened our first funeral
22	home in Detroit on Plymouth Road. It was
23	quite difficult at the time and we both took
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1	part-	time jobs, in addition to what we were
2	now h	olding, to make ends meet. My husband
3	had a	lready become a funeral director, and it
4	was d	ecided that, I too, should become a
5	funer	al director.
6		So graduating from University
7	of De	troit, I went back to night school, got
8	my cr	edits so I could enter Wayne Mortuary
9	Schoo	1. Upon graduation from Wayne Mortuary,
10	I too	k my state board, served my
11	appre	nticeship and became a licensed funeral
12	direc	tor. In time, the business grew, our
13	famil	y grew. We had two boys, two girls. At
14	this	time, we are now into the 1960s. And at
15	that	time, we realized that the population
16	from	Detroit was moving out into the suburbs.
17	So we	e too decided that it was time for us to
18	move.	We found a location in Westland, our
19	two k	boys had come into the funeral business,
20	and t	he business then expanded into Canton,
21	Livor	ia, and in 2014, we purchased the
22	North	rop Sassaman funeral home in Northville.
23	We gu	tted the building, we received the
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1	5	beautification award from the City of
2		Northville for two years for what we had
3		done.
4		I am semi retired. I live
5		above the funeral home in Westland, and very
6		proud for what we have done in the past 63
7		years.
8		It is now our intent to
9		continue with this service, but not in
10		building buildings, but in building
11		traditions of service to the families we
12		serve. It would be our honor and our
13		privilege to be able to come into the
14		beautiful City of Novi and do what we can to
15		assist the local people and the city itself.
16		Thank you.
17		CHAIRPERSON PEHRSON: Thank you,
18		ma'am.
19		MR. GRIFFIN: Thank you. When we
20		started this project, we wanted to make sure
21		that we had the right architects for the job.
22		We contacted a company called JST Architects,
23		which is located in Dallas, Texas. They are

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1	the premier builders and designers of funeral
2	homes in the nation and they have built over
3	1,500 funeral homes in the country, helping
4	with design. The last year we flew them into
5	Novi, they looked at the site, traveled the
6	community, went through the neighborhoods,
7	and I can hope that you can see by the design
8	that they came up with, it certainly does
9	have a residential character that compliments
10	the surrounding communities. We wanted the
11	best for the Novi community and we hope that
12	we did this with the design. We just believe
13	we hit the mark with that.
14	Another concern was the
15	landscaping. You gave us through the
16	landscape and the requirements by the
17	landscape department to come up with a
18	landscape design that made it very park-like
19	feeling. The pond, which is also a real neat
20	feature on the property, gives it more of a
21	tranquil feeling and it's our intent to put
22	fountains in the pond and we think it's going
23	to have a very good effect on the corner of

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1	Eleven Mile and Beck. Going into this we
2	knew that there was not going to be a problem
3	regarding the parking. However, after
4	hearing some of the questions from the
5	neighbors, we are glad to have the
6	opportunity tonight to address those
7	concerns.
8	A traffic impact study was
9	completed with the recommendation of approval
10	from your traffic engineers. Some brief
11	highlights regarding the traffic. The
12	service on Beck Road will not change for
13	either a.m. or p.m. on Eleven Mile and Beck.
14	As rare as processions are, we took a note we
15	only have four processions out of two of our
16	funerals homes for the months of January
17	through April. Most of the processions have
18	run out excuse me, services are run out of
19	the churches, not out of the funeral homes.
20	We had the opportunity to talk
21	to Cindy Valentine, she is the director of
22	transportation of the Novi Community School
23	District, her letter is enclosed showing that

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1	there was absolutely no conflict between our
2	hours of operation and the running time of
3	the school buses.
4	And finally, we have received
5	unanimous recommendations of approval and
6	support from the Novi staff and their
7	engineers. Several other letters of support
8	have come from the homeowners, Rick and Bob
9	Shirock of the Oak Point church, who has
10	thousands of members attending weekly, Father
11	George Charmly, was recently retired from St.
12	James church along with Father Dennis
13	Thorough at our Lady of Victory in
14	Northville. A letter was just sent by Father
15	Elmer that was just received by the city
16	offices if you could just allow me a moment
17	to read it.
18	It was sent to Barbara McBeth.
19	"Dear Ms. McBeth, I write this letter in
20	support of the Griffin Funeral Home on Beck
21	Road and Eleven Mile Road. Based on the
22	traffic study, the facts, there will be no
23	access from Eleven Mile, and the nature of

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1	the business, I see no negative impact on the
2	neighborhood, but rather a positive one."
3	This comes from a neighbor who commutes past
4	there daily. "From the plans I reviewed, I
5	see the proposed building and business a good
6	fit for this location."
7	Blair Bowman from the Suburban
8	Collection Showplace believes it would be a
9	positive addition to the community, along
10	with the letters of support from the
11	Northville Township planner, and the
12	supervisor of Canton Township. All consent
13	letters affirming the positive impact that we
14	have had in those communities.
15	We would like to thank all of
16	you for the opportunity to address all of you
17	tonight and knowing that we have the peace of
18	mind, just like you, who want the best for
19	Novi. Thank you.
20	CHAIRPERSON PEHRSON: Thank you,
21	sir. We do have some correspondence. Barb,
22	do we just want to issue those to the record
23	or you want the reading of the title and

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1	name?
2	MS. MCBETH: We did receive, I
3	think somebody commented, 11 letters of
4	support and 12 letters in opposition. Does
5	it make sense to read the name of the people
6	who have written these letters at this point
7	or just put these into the record?
8	MS. KOMARAGIRI: I think some of
9	the people who shared their letters in
10	support and denial were hoping to make
11	sure they want the assurance that they
12	 would be read. All the Planning Commission
13	had a chance to read them as far as the
14	packet, I think I would leave it up to your
15	discretion.
16	CHAIRPERSON PEHRSON: Just
17	briefly summarize.
18	MR. GIACOPETTI: Sure. I was
19	going through the packet, I believe there is
20	one letter of support in the bundle of notes.
21	I think it's actually 12 yes and 11 no. But
22	I will go through them very quickly.
23	The first letter is a letter of

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1	opposition from Charlene McHugh, M.D., I
2	believe who spoke to us tonight, sighting
3	property values, traffic on Beck Road, no
4	compelling reason to change zoning. That a
5	funeral home is not necessarily better than a
6	strip mall, no dead people across the street
7	and that four out of five board members
8	thought it was important to keep zoning north
9	of Eleven Mile.
10	The second letter is a letter
11	of opposition from Dan Richardson, M.D., he
12	is adamant against the change in the
13	neighborhood. It would cause horrible
14	traffic congestion, when a procession takes
15	place.
16	This is a letter of support
17	from Michael Allie. He says he feels that
18	funeral homes often have their busiest time
19	during the evenings, so it won't be a problem
20	with traffic and processions tend to happen
21	between ten and noon, again not a traffic
22	problem.
23	Letter of opposition from

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1	Christina Torossian resident of Asbury Park.
2	She objects to the change that would allow a
3	funeral home.
4	Letter of objection from Debbie
5	Madeja, I apologize if I am mispronouncing
6	any names in here. She does not agree with
7	the plans for the funeral home, with the fire
8	station, retirement facility and the
9	hospital. She has traffic and parking
10	concerns.
11	Letter of opposition from Cindy
12	 Lu, she is a long-term resident, she loves
13	the farm house, she would like to see it
14	become a landmark of the city.
15	Another letter of opposition
16	from Allison Dolin. She writes that the
17	residents have voiced their concerns, and she
18	is worried about the traffic congestion at
19	the funeral home at rush hour.
20	A letter from Jerilyn
21	Nicholsen. She would like to bring to our
22	attention that the rezone in this area from
23	residential to commercial, she would prefer

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1	to revote on the building, a Novi city
2	community sports facility here.
3	A letter of opposition from
4	Cindy Ghannam, she doesn't agree with putting
5	a funeral home at the corner of Beck and
6	Eleven, the traffic is already horrible.
7	We have a letter of opposition
8	from Susan Cocke, it was brought to my
9	attention, the rezoning on the table for the
10	funeral home. She moved here in 1984, she
11	has seen a lot of progress, but unfortunately
12	Beck Road is not one of those areas and
13	adding a funeral procession would make it
14	worse.
15	We have a letter of opposition
16	from Michelle King. As a resident, business
17	owner and mother of Novi school students, she
18	urges us not to rezone the corner of Beck and
19	Eleven Mile to commercial.
20	And we have a letter of
21	opposition from Neha Kiru, she and her
22	spouse, Shankar are opposed to the funeral
23	home at Beck and Eleven Mile. There is

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1	already a lot of traffic.
2	These are the letters written
3	in support. First one is from a Karen
4	Stephenson of Novi. She was a former client,
5	customer of Griffin Funeral Homes and she
6	said that the staff provided comfort and take
7	charge attitude that they needed during a
8	time in need.
9	Second letter of support is
10	from Bob Shirock. He is the pastor of Oak
11	Point church, as Mr. Griffin referenced in
12	his letter earlier, in support.
13	We received a correspondence
14	from Jim Staschke, he is in favor of the
15	funeral home being constructed on this site.
16	He said in general it would generate very
17	little traffic minimal impact on traffic
18	and would be pleasing to the eye.
19	We have a letter of support
20	from Gary Beason. He is a former customer of
21	Griffin Funeral Home and he received personal
22	and caring attention from the professional
23	staff, staff who assisted with everybody

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1 detail during the process, including 2 coordination with the cemetery, the church and the funeral. 3 4 We have a correspondence from 5 Thomas White of Beck Road, Novi. He writes, I worked with David Griffin and Griffin 6 7 Funeral Home extensively last year. David 8 wanted to purchase my mom's property on Beck 9 Road just north of Eleven so he could build a 10 funeral home. He was professional and a 11 pleasure to deal with. Unfortunately, 12 because of the wetland setbacks the property 13 my mother owns was not large enough to 14 accommodate the facility he wanted to build. 15 David tried securing the adjourning property 16 to expand the parcel, but regretably nothing 17 worked. In my opinion, David and Griffin 18 Funeral Home would be a positive addition to 19 the Novi community. 20 We have a letter from James 21 Santeiu in support. He describes the 2.2 Griffins as pillars of the community and they 23 would be a value to the city. He references

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1	Griffin's rehab of the Northrup Sassaman's
2	rundown in Northville, and it's a pleasing
3	and pleasant place to go. Actually two
4	letters from the gentleman, pretty much say
5	the same thing.
6	Letters of support from Todd
7	Gardiner. He's a resident for Novi for 20
8	years. He recommends the professional
9	services offered by David Griffin and his
10	family. Asks us to consider the needs of the
11	community that would be met by this addition.
12	A letter of support from Thomas
13	R. Gaffney. He says that in a time of need,
14	the Griffins were a tremendous comfort. He
15	hopes to welcome LJ Griffin funeral home to
16	the Novi community.
17	We have a letter of support
18	from Michelle McCraith. She believes there
19	is a real need for a new funeral home. The
20	location at Beck Road would be a perfect use
21	for the property rather than another
22	subdivision.
23	Lastly, we have a letter of

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1	support from Father Elmer of Catholic Central
2	and I believe this letter was previously
3	read.
4	CHAIRPERSON PEHRSON: Thank you
5	very much. With that, turn it over to the
6	Planning Commission for this consideration.
7	Member Avdoulos.
8	MR. AVDOULOS: Thank you, Chair
9	Pehrson.
10	88 years old and semi retired.
11	Wow. I wanted to indicate to the public
12	that's here that whatever comes before us is
13	obviously taken seriously. As a point of
14	reference, we're not elected. We are
15	appointed by City Council.
16	But saying that, we do
17	understand that, you know, you put your trust
18	in whoever is representing in front of this
19	board, so we fully understand that.
20	The other thing I wanted to
21	stress, too, this is not a rezoning. This is
22	residential acreage and stays residential
23	acreage. This is an overlayer or special

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1	land use that goes on top of residential
2	acreage. So if this project ever let's
3	say was sold and somebody wanted to build a
4	subdivision in the future, they can go back
5	to residential acreage. Actually it reverts
6	to that. I don't think the whoever is on
7	this piece of property can sell a special
8	land use, unless it's the same type of use or
9	they have to go through another special use.
10	As an example, that's why you
11	have churches in the middle of neighborhoods
12	because they get a special land use to build
13	in a residential area.
14	That said, the difficulty here
15	is looking at what is best for the city, what
16	is best for the area and the residents. And
17	on also what is best for this piece of
18	property. This particular owner has
19	purchased the property. So, this owner has
20	it. This owner can, you know, through the
21	guidelines of the city, can do whatever they
22	want so long as we work together as a team.
23	The barn can stay or it can go. I believe

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1	the indication is that the applicant is
2	looking possibly to save the barn somehow.
3	MR. GRIFFIN: We would like
4	somehow, we could donate the barn. We would
5	like to work with the city, if there is any
6	special place that we would like the barn to
7	be placed. Yes, we would.
8	MR. AVDOULOS: Then there was a
9	comment that the pond may disappear. As we
10	have indicated, the pond will stay, it cannot
11	go anywhere. There is a good site plan, Sri,
12	I think it's the one that is in color, it has
13	a view indication. I think that one sort of
14	best indicates the sort of layout of the
15	site. I thought this was in our packet.
16	CHAIRPERSON PEHRSON: Can you
17	switch to the laptop on the podium.
18	AUDIENCE PARTICIPANT: What
19	happened to the master plan?
20	CHAIRPERSON PEHRSON: Ma'am,
21	please. It's not the time.
22	MR. AVDOULOS: Actually, you
23	know, addressed, it is RA, so this is not

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1		changing the zoning. This is a process where
2		property can accommodate different types of
3		uses, so long as that property goes through
4		the process of showing an advantage to the
5		city, and this has been shown and provided
6	10	through the letters that the applicant has
7		sent us. You know, it is a difficult choice
8		to make, to see what can actually go here
9		that blends in with the residential character
10		that's already there, and it is a business
11		that has been long-standing in the community.
12		It is
13		AUDIENCE PARTICIPANT: What made
14		you change your mind?
15		CHAIRPERSON PEHRSON: Ma'am,
16		please. No more bursts, I would ask. Member
17		Avdoulos.
18		MR. AVDOULOS: And so the items
19		that have been presented, what I was trying
20		to do from the looking at it the last time
21		and then trying to give the applicant some
22		time to present information is just to see if
23		this is going to be more of a detriment to

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1	the area, or if it's going to blend in with
2	what the master plan is looking to do. The
3	size of the building is going to be much less
4	on this piece of property than a subdivision.
5	The amount of traffic I understand the
6	concerns, but the funeral homes work a little
7	differently, instead of having a subdivision
8	that may have, you know, 40, 50 cars coming
9	out of it at various times of the day, a
10	funeral home is a little bit more controlled
11	than that.
12	I think the location of the
13	property actually the building on the
14	property is set back from the road and set
15	back from the existing pond, I think that
16	works well also. But prior to making, you
17	know, any decisions, I think I want to listen
18	to the rest of the Planning Commissioners and
19	then we could discuss further to see what is
20	the best possibility for this project and for
21	this site and for the area. Thank you.
22	CHAIRPERSON PEHRSON: Thank you,
23	Member Avdoulos. Member Anthony.

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1	MR. ANTHONY: And while, you
2	know, I was listening to the community with
3	their public comments, I was both taking
4	notes and looking at aerial photos to see how
5	things laid out and other areas of the city
6	were.
7	And, you know, I heard one
8	concern is property values. I heard another
9	concern is parking, the spill-over into the
10	street. Another concern was traffic.
11	Another concern was hours of operation. And
12	the other was zoning and rezoning.
13	So, I also wanted to bring up
14	the point of zoning, in that it's not a
15	rezoning. I remember when we were as a
16	community working on the overlay district.
17	And we looked at this piece of property
18	specifically, because it was included in the
19	overlay district and it was the one portion
20	that did extend south of Eleven Mile.
21	And at that time, we recognized
22	that it's not likely to have a subject
23	division built in this area, and that we

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1	would have some kind of business, so we
2	became very concerned over what kind of
3	business. We wanted it to keep the
4	residential thing, and to be a more subtle
5	business than, for example, retail, which is
6	why probably in the last meeting, one of the
7	commissioners said, it's good that it's not
8	retail because during that time we didn't
9	want that there.
10	And when I look at this
11	development, and I look at the plan, I see
12	that the building itself is very consistent
13	with a residential theme. The materials are
14	natural materials, which is sustainable, and
15	though I am sure the Griffin family is a very
16	good family, and runs their business, well, I
17	also have to think in terms of
18	AUDIENCE PARTICIPANT: This is a
19	farce.
20	MR. ANTHONY: if you were no
21	longer owning the property and another owner
22	were to come in. And I see the building is
23	being sustainable, of being able to still

6/14/2017 Page 83 1 carry on that theme. 2 There are a couple of points 3 that you have offered, I am sure that you would abide by. But I would like to ask 4 5 staff, if -- these are probably outside of the ordinance, and things they were agreeing 6 7 with that seem to work in concert with the theme of residential. And that had to do 8 with hours of operation, such as coordinating 9 with the school schedule. 10 I don't know if that is 11 12 something that can be memorialized or whether 13 it -- whether it's --14 Through the Chair? MR. SCHULTZ: 15 CHAIRPERSON PEHRSON: Please. 16 MR. SCHULTZ: I'm going to answer 17 the question, but just sort of add a little 18 bit at the beginning, maybe just frame the 19 discussion we are talking about, is this 20 rezoning, is it zoning, just asking Barb, 21 have we -- the Planning Commission has had a 22 whole lot of special land uses lately, we get 23 a lot of PRO's, we get rezoning requests, but

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1	I don't know that we get a ton of special
2	land uses. But just the back drop again,
3	these are permitted uses, so we have the
4	permitted uses that just you just review a
5	site plan, and you're just looking to make
6	sure that it fits within the setbacks and
7	stuff like that. Special land uses are
8	permitted, you just have to go through a
9	little bit more of a review process and you
10	have got the eight criteria that are in your
11	motion sheet, that you have got to make a
12	finding on whether you say yes to it, or you
13	say no to it. And the way that state
14	statutes works that allows you to have these
15	special permitted land uses, is if they meet
16	that criteria, then they have to approved.
17	So a special land use that you
18	can't find doesn't meet those eight criteria
19	or most of them, that gets approved.
20	One other thing that you have
21	the ability to do because it's a special land
22	use, is if you approve it, because you find
23	those eight conditions have been met, or

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1	those eight other criteria, little bit more
2	discretionary is impose conditions that make
3	sure that the use is what you think it is.
4	So if the applicant has
5	represented, look, we are not going to have a
6	problem with the school because we are going
7	to coordinate with them, that's the kind of
8	thing that you would take into consideration
9	as a Planning Commission, okay, that makes
10	this a more compatible use than if they
11	didn't care about that.
12	So, if you get to a motion, and
13	you decide, okay, it's a permitted use, I
14	find on these eight factors, that they meet
15	most of them, but I want to make sure, I want
16	to add this condition that they have agreed
17	to, you can append that or add that to your
18	motion, if that's where you go.
19	MR. ANTHONY: But once they meet
20	that eight criteria, they really have
21	satisfied what they need.
22	MR. SCHULTZ: That is the key.
23	Yes. So you if they were called a

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1	permitted use, just principle permitted use,
2	just be looking at the plan.
3	MR. ANTHONY: Here is another
4	item and I remember as a resident when I
5	lived in a different Novi neighborhood, this
6	was a problem. And it's not so much the
7	traffic study, because we have gone through
8	that many, so I think that fits here. But
9	it's the parking. It's the overflow parking.
10	And it can be bothersome to a resident when
11	you have overflow parking that's in the
12	street right in front of their home. How we
13	handled it in our neighborhood, which again
14	was another Novi neighborhood, it happened to
15	be a clubhouse that caused it, we were able
16	to work with the city and create a no parking
17	zone, and that way we were able to then
18	protect that residential stretch from having
19	parking in the street and the overflow.
20	Which it would be another piece that I would
21	think would help. The property values fear
22	that I heard, both written and verbal, and
23	this is where I was looking at an aerial

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1		photo during the comments because I wanted to
2		see proximity. There is another neighborhood
3		in Novi on the other side of town, which is
4		Willowbrook Farms, and it has a funeral home
5		that's very close in proximity to that
6		neighborhood, as well as Meadowbrook Commons,
7	0.01	which is very consistent with the types of
8		developments that will be in the overlay
9		district. And that neighborhood supports
10		property values of 350 to 550, and those have
11		remained stable, in fact, have increased even
12		with the presence of those businesses. So I
13		have to be skeptical of internet research,
14		though it does provide, you know, good
15		guidance at time, but it's not final. And I
16		think our own experience within our community
17		is that to proximity to these kind of
18		businesses hasn't shown an adverse effect on
19		property values.
20		I remember the overlay
21		district, I was concerned, but we worked
22		through that. And this is the kind of
23		development that we were willing to do and

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1	that we were hoping that we would have the
2	opportunity to see in this overlay district.
3	So I again, if any of my Commissioners want
4	to make comment.
5	CHAIRPERSON PEHRSON: Thank you.
6	Member Giacopetti.
7	MR. GIACOPETTI: I have nothing.
8	CHAIRPERSON PEHRSON: I applaud
9	the applicant for coming back with the
10	considerations and the aspects that we asked
11	for. And I think both Member Avdoulos and
12	Anthony have separate tone, and I appreciate
13	Mr. Schultz' interjection relative to the
14	zoning, or the description of it, and I do,
15	and I would ask if there was a motion that
16	those two amendments be added as to give
17	further guidance. As I look at the eight
18	requirements for special land use, I don't
19	find any that this particular funeral home is
20	missing the mark on. So, I would be in
21	support of a motion to further the Griffin
22	Funeral Home.
23	MR. ANTHONY: I will make a

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1	1 motion.	
2	2 In the r	matter of Griffin
3	3 Funeral Home, JSP17-1	3, motion to approve the
4	4 special land use perm.	it based on and subject
5	5 to the following. A,	the proposed use will
6	6 not cause any detrime:	ntal impact on existing
7	7 throughfares. B, the	proposed use
8	8 MR. SCHUL	TZ: If you could
9	9 MR. ANTHO	NY: I was going to add
10	the H and the I.	
11	MR. SCHUL	TZ: Through the Chair?
12	12 CHAIRPERS	ON PEHRSON: Yes,
13	13 please.	
14	MR. SCHUL	TZ: Parentheticals are
15	15 the findings that you	that so in other
16	16 words, not detrimenta	l based on the traffic
17	17 study.	
18	18 MR. ANTHO	NY: Very good.
19	19 A, the	proposed use will not
20	20 cause any detrimental	impact on existing
21	21 throughfares based on	the review of the
22	22 traffic study. B, th	e proposed use will not
23	cause any detrimental	impact on the

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1	capabilities of the public services and
2	facilities, as this area was already planned
3	for development. The proposed use is
4	compatible with the natural features and
5	characteristics of the land, because the plan
6	has minor impacts on existing natural
7	features.
8	The proposed use is compatible
9	with adjacent uses of land, because the
10	proposed use conforms to the standards of the
11	district and the requirements of mortuary
12	establishments.
13	E, the proposed use is
14	consistent with goals, objectives and
15	recommendations of the city's master plan for
16	land use. The project creates an essentially
17	pleasing development, especially in
18	residential areas.
19	F, the proposed use will
20	promote the use of land in the social and
21	economically desirable manner, as the
22	proposed use will provide a need, a service
23	needed in the community.

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1	G, the proposed use is one,		
2	listed among the provisions of uses requiring		
3	special land use review, as set forth in the		
4	various zoning districts of this ordinance,		
5	and two, is in harmony with the purposes and		
6	conforms to the applicable site design,		
7	regulations of the zoning district in which		
8	it is located.		
9	H, no parking in the street		
10	adjoining residential homes.		
11	And I, coordinating with the		
12	school to not conflict with school		
13	activities.		
14	This motion is made because the		
15	plan is otherwise in compliance with Article		
16	3, Article 4, Article 5, and Article 6 of the		
17	zoning ordinance and all other applicable		
18	provisions of the ordinance.		
19	MR. AVDOULOS: Second.		
20	CHAIRPERSON PEHRSON: We have a		
21	motion by Member Anthony, second by Member		
22	Avdoulos. Any other comments?		
23	MR. SCHULTZ: One item, it's not		

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1	required. I just inquire of the applicant on
2	the record, if there are any issues through
3	the Chair with two conditions imposed?
4	MR. GRIFFIN: No problem.
5	CHAIRPERSON PEHRSON: Appreciate
6	that. Sri, can you call the roll, please.
7	MS. KOMARAGIRI: Chair Pehrson?
8	CHAIRPERSON PEHRSON: Yes.
9	MS. KOMARAGIRI: Member
10	Zuchlewski?
11	MR. ZUCHLEWSKI: Yes.
12	MS. KOMARAGIRI: Member Anthony?
13	MR. ANTHONY: Yes.
14	MS. KOMARAGIRI: Member Avdoulos?
15	MR. AVDOULOS: Yes.
16	MS. KOMARAGIRI: Member
17	Giacopetti.
18	MR. GIACOPETTI: Yes.
19	MS. KOMARAGIRI: Motion passes
20	five to sore.
21	MR. ANTHONY: In the matter of
22	Griffin Funeral Home, JSP17-13, motion to
23	approve the preliminary site plan based on

Page 93 1 and subject to the following --2 AUDIENCE PARTICIPANT: Shame on 3 all of you. 4 MR. ANTHONY: A, approval of up 5 to 23 land bank parking, 121 required, 98 provided, 23 land banked, due to Planning 6 7 Commission's findings below, which is hereby 8 granted. One, the applicant has demonstrated through substantial evidence that the 9 specified occupants and building use will 10 11 require less parking than what is required by 12 the zoning ordinance. 13 Two, parking will not occur on 14 any street or driveway. Three, parking will 15 not occur on any area not approved and 16 developed for parking. Four, parking will 17 not occur on the area where parking 18 construction has been land banked until such time as the area is constructed for such 19 20 parking. 21 Five, the requested parking 2.2 land banking will not create traffic or 23 circulation problems on or off site, and six,

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1	the requested parking land banking will be
2	consistent with the public help, safety and
3	welfare of the city and the purposes of the
4	zoning ordinance.
5	B, waiver for absence of noise
6	impact statement due to the nature of use,
7	which is hereby granted. C, landscaping
8	waiver from Section 5.5.3.B2 and 3, to permit
9	reduction of required height for berm along
10	western property line, four and a half feet
11	to six and a half feet required, provided the
12	minimum required capacity for screening is
13	met along the property line, which is hereby
14	granted. D, landscape waiver for Section
15	5.5.3.B2, for absence of required berm along
16	the southern property due to applicant's
17	written intent that the property to the south
18	will be developed non-residential and to
19	retro fit the site to provide the required
20	buffer and screening if it is developed
21	residential in future, which is hereby
22	granted.
23	E, landscape waiver for Section

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1	5.5.3E1C, for reduction of minimum required
2	streets along Beck Road, 13 required, ten
3	provided, due to conflicts with corner
4	clearance, which is hereby granted. F, City
5	Council variance for Section 11 256B of
6	design and construction standards manual for
7	absence of required sidewalk along Eleven
8	Mile Road due to the practical difficulties
9	for extension of the sidewalk beyond the site
10	boundary, provided the applicant pays the
11	current construction cost of the sidewalk as
12	approved by the city engineer.
13	A, which is out of sequence in
14	the lettering, the findings of compliance
15	with ordinance standards in the staff and
16	consultant review letters and conditions and
17	items listed in those letters being addressed
18	in the final site plan.
19	This motion is made because the
20	plan is otherwise in compliance with Article
21	3, Article 4, Article 5 of the zoning
22	ordinance and all other applicable provisions
23	of the ordinance.

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1	MR. AVDOULOS: Second.
2	CHAIRPERSON PEHRSON: We have a
3	motion by Member Anthony and second by Member
4	Avdoulos. Any other comments? Sri, please.
5	MS. KOMARAGIRI: Member
6	Giacopetti?
7	MR. GIACOPETTI: Yes.
8	MS. KOMARAGIRI: Chair Pehrson?
9	CHAIRPERSON PEHRSON: Yes.
10	MS. KOMARAGIRI: Member
11	Zuchlewski?
12	MR. ZUCHLEWSKI: Yes.
13	MS. KOMARAGIRI: Member Anthony?
14	MR. ANTHONY: Yes.
15	MS. KOMARAGIRI: Member Avdoulos?
16	MR. AVDOULOS: Yes.
17	MS. KOMARAGIRI: Motion passes
18	five to zero.
19	MR. ANTHONY: In the matter of
20	Griffin Funeral Home, JSP17-13, motion to
21	approve the storm water management plan based
22	on and subject to the following. The
23	findings of compliance with ordinance

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1	standards in the staff and consultant review
2	letters, and the conditions and items listed
3	in those letters being addressed on the final
4	site plan. This motion is made because the
5	plan is otherwise in compliance with Chapter
6	11 of the Code of Ordinances and all other
7	applicable provisions of the ordinance.
8	MR. AVDOULOS: Second.
9	CHAIRPERSON PEHRSON: Motion by
10	Member Anthony, second by Avdoulos. Any
11	other comments? Sri, please.
12	MS. KOMARAGIRI: Member
13	Zuchlewski?
14	MR. ZUCHLEWSKI: Yes.
15	MS. KOMARAGIRI: Member Anthony?
16	MR. ANTHONY: Yes.
17	MS. KOMARAGIRI: Member Avdoulos?
18	MR. AVDOULOS: Yes.
19	MS. KOMARAGIRI: Member
20	Giacopetti?
21	MR. GIACOPETTI: Yes.
22	MS. KOMARAGIRI: Chair Pehrson?
23	CHAIRPERSON PEHRSON: Yes.

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1	MS. KOMARAGIRI: Motion passes
2	five to zero.
3	CHAIRPERSON PEHRSON: You're all
4	set. Thank you very much.
5	We are going to take a quick
6	break.
7	(Short recess taken.).
8	CHAIRPERSON PEHRSON: Call back
9	to order the Planning Commission meeting,
10	after a wonderful little break.
11	Item No. 2 on matters for
12	consideration, Building No. 2, Drive Through
13	at Novi Town Center, JSP17-08. It's to
14	consider to request of Novi Town Center,
15	Investors, LLC for building No. 2, Drive
16	Through at Novi Town Center, JSP17-08, for
17	Planning Commission's recommendation to City
18	Council for approval of special land use
19	permit, preliminary site plan and storm water
20	management plan.
21	The subject property is zoned
22	Town Center District, TC. It is located in
23	Novi Town Center in Section 14 on the

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