# TOWN OF NISKAYUNA Planning Board and Zoning Commission

Agenda April 29, 2024 7:00 PM

#### REGULAR AGENDA MEETING

- I. CALL TO ORDER
- II. ROLL CALL
- III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
  - 1. April 15, 2024
- IV. PUBLIC HEARINGS
- V. PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR
- VI. UNFINISHED BUSINESS
- VII. NEW BUSINESS
  - 1. RESOLUTION: 2024-13: A Resolution for an extension to the site plan approval for the CDJHM at 2501 Troy Schenectady Rd.
  - 2. RESOLUTION: 2024-14: A Resolution for site plan approval of a tenant change to a convenience store / smoke shop at 3905 State St.
  - 3. RESOLUTION: 2024-15: A Resolution for site plan approval of a 30' diameter yurt at 2565 Balltown Rd.
  - 4. RESOLUTION: 2024-16: A Resolution for lot line adjustment at 850 Oregon Ave. / 875 Stark Ave.
  - 5. RECOMMENDATION TO ZBA: 2546 Balltown Rd. A Recommendation to the ZBA for an Application for Site Plan Review for new signage requiring a variance.
  - 6. RECOMMENDATION TO ZBA: 1769 Union St. A Recommendation to the ZBA for an Application for Site Plan Review for new signage requiring a variance.

# VIII. DISCUSSION ITEMS

- 1. 2301 Nott St. E. TD Bank An application for site plan review for new signage
- 2. 2333 Nott St. E. Market 32 An application for site plan review for signage
- 3. 3359 Consaul Rd. Ingersoll Place An application for site plan review for a pavilion
- 4. 2530 Balltown Rd. Chinese Fellowship Church An application for site plan review for a 777 sq. ft. addition

# IX. REPORTS

- 1. 1747 Union St. Update on Façade Changes
- 2. Zoning Code Updates (Short term rental regulations)
- 3. Project Submittal Timelines Update

#### X. COMMISSION BUSINESS

#### XI. ADJOURNMENT

NEXT MEETING: May 13, 2024 at 7 PM

To be Held in the Town Board Room & via Remote Software

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1		TOWN OF NISKAYUNA	
2		Planning and Zoning Commission	
3	Hybrid Meeting		
4 5		Meeting Minutes April 15, 2024	
6 7 8 9 10 11	Members Present:	Dave D'Arpino, Acting Chairman Nancy Strang Genghis Khan Ehasuyi Gomes Sarah Bilofsky Leslie Gold	
12 13 14 15	Also in attendance	Robert Hess, Attorney Laura Robertson, Town Planner Clark Henry, Assistant Town Planner (virtual) Trisha Bergami, Planning Department Assistant	
16	I. CALL TO ORDER		
17	Acting Chairman D'Arpino ca	lled the hybrid meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.	
18	II. ROLL CALL		
19	Chairman Walsh and Mr. LaFl	amme were absent/excused.	
20	III. APPROVAL OF MI	NUTES	
21	1.March 11, 2024		
22	Ms. Strang made a motion to a	pprove the minutes, seconded by Mr. Khan.	
23	Acting Chairman D'Arpino asl	ked to strike on page 6 line 249 from the minutes.	
24 25	Mr. Khan made a motion to appwere in favor.	prove the minor modification to the minutes, seconded by Ms. Bilofsky. Al	
26 27	Acting Chairman D'Arpino asl favor	k for a vote on the minutes including the approved minor change, all were in	
28	IV. PUBLIC HEARING	S	
29	No Public Hearings		
30	V. PRIVILEGE OF THE	EFLOOR	
31 32 33 34 35	has been put up as a AirBnB. week and also it has been rent vandalism she is concerned. M	In Road said there is a crisis in Niskayuna. Another home on Milton Keynes Ms. Jackson said the home at 1230 Milton Keynes has been rented for the ted for 16 or 17 weekends this summer. She said for security reasons and s. Jackson said they are zoned R-1 and their neighborhood is not commercial out an end to it before it becomes and epidemic in Niskayuna.	
36 37		Road said they appreciate everything the Town is doing and hopefully the s - not just for their neighborhood but for any place in town that is suffering	

Ms. Parisi of 1362 Ruffner Road said she is here to support the people of this neighborhood. She said she had the same issue about a year ago with an AirBnB next door to her. She said you don't know who is

- supposed to be there, there are cars coming and going and double parking. Ms. Parisi said she spoke with
- 42 her neighbor and mentioned the different people renting was upsetting to her. Her neighbor said she would
- do a year rental instead and she did, which has made the situation better for her neighborhood.
- Mr. Parisi of 1362 Ruffner Road said he wanted to mention this is a security risk. The people who rent these
- 45 homes are not vetted. He said the homes are rented at full capacity usually for the purpose of partying.
- 46 Ms. Scordino of 1240 Milton Keynes stated she lived next door to the rental home. She said she doesn't
- 47 believe the new listing to be across the street but somewhere else in Niskayuna. Ms. Scordino said she
- 48 believes that the vast major of Niskayuna is here to live in Niskayuna because it is a nice place to live and
- 49 raise a family with a residential atmosphere when they are at their house. She said you wouldn't necessarily
- 50 purchase a home next door to a hotel but basically her neighbors right now are running a hotel out of their
- 51 home. Ms. Scordino said she has small children and felt safe knowing who lived in their cul-de-sac and
- but with rentals they have no idea who is coming and going.
- Another issue Ms. Scordino wanted to share with the Board is that in the advertisements for the rental it
- says they are a rich community come stay here which made her feel like a target. Ms. Scordino said she
- doesn't think this is what Niskayuna wants and Niskayuna as a whole is not a tourist destination so she
- 56 feels catering to people's ability to have an AirBnB in their house doesn't makes sense for the vast majority
- of the Niskayuna population.
- 58 Ms. Jackson of 940 Inman Road said years ago they fought hard to keep Troy Road residential, not letting
- 59 it look like Central Avenue. She said they are going to work hard to prevent this from happening in the
- 60 Town.

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61 Hearing no further comments, Acting Chairman D'Arpino closed Privilege of the Floor.

#### VI. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

No Unfinished Business.

#### VII. NEW BUSINESS

- 1. RESOLUTION: 2024-10: A resolution for site plan approval for a monument (directory) sign at Tall Oaks Apartments at 2475 Brookshire Rd.
- Acting Chairman D'Arpino read the following into the minutes:
- NOW, THEREFORE, be it hereby
- 69 RESOLVED, that the Planning Board and Zoning Commission has determined that the proposed sign
- 70 waiver as described above would have a minimum negative effect on aesthetics, and be it
- 71 FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Planning Board and Zoning Commission does hereby grant said waiver
- to allow for the signage as described in the aforementioned sign drawing, and be it
- 73 FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Planning Board and Zoning Commission finds the above referenced
- site plan meets the requirements of the Zoning Code and previous site plan approvals, and therefore,
- 75 hereby approves this site plan.
- 76 Mr. Khan moved for motion seconded by Ms. Bilofsky.
- 77 Thomas Wheeler of AJ Signs, representing the applicant, was on line and stated he was available to
- answer any additional questions.
- Acting Chairman D'Arpino summarized that the sign is being placed at the end of the parking lot on the
- 80 grass area where the fire lane pull off is. This was the preferred location that the Board selected at the last
- 81 meeting. He asked if there was any further discussion.
- 82 Mr. Wheeler had nothing to add.

- 83 Mr. Khan said he supports the current resolution as drafted and the proposed sign location.
- 84 Hearing no further comments, Action Chairman D'Arpino asked for the roll to be called:
- 85 Ms. Strang Aye 86 Mr. Khan Aye 87 Ms. Gomes Aye 88 Ms. Bilofsky Aye 89 Ms. Gold Aye
- 90 Acting Chairman D'Arpino Aye
- 91 Acting Chairman D'Arpino stated the resolution was approved.
- RESOLUTION: 2024-11: A resolution for site plan approval of community garden enhancements including a new shed for the Glen Eddy at 1 Glen Eddy Dr.
- 94 Editor's Note: Ms. Robertson requested the Board go out of order to discuss the Zoning Code Updates
- 95 under the reports section and then return to this resolution. The Board agreed and had a discussion about
- 96 the Code updates for the benefit of the members of the audience that is covered in the "Zoning Code"
- 97 Updates" section of these minutes starting on page 9. The Board then returned to this Resolution for the
- 98 Glen Eddy.
- 99 Acting Chairman D'Arpino read the following into the minutes:
- 100 NOW THEREFORE, be it
- 101 RESOLVED, that this Planning Board and Zoning Commission finds that the site plan application
- referenced above meets the requirements of the Zoning Code and hereby approves this site plan.
- Mr. Khan made a motion for approval seconded by Ms. Strang.
- Mr. Zeglen of Environmental Design Partnership, representing the applicant, was online.
- Mr. Khan stated this is a good use of the property and an upgrade of the existing space. He was supportive
- of the proposed improvements.
- 107 Mr. Zeglen said he had nothing to add.
- Acting Chairman D'Arpino stated he felt the proposed shed and garden upgrades were not visible from
- the road and the design appears to be well executed. He stated he is also in support of these
- improvements.
- Hearing no further comments, Action Chairman D'Arpino asked for the roll to be called:
- 112 Ms. Strang Aye
- 113 Mr. Khan Aye
- 114 Ms. Gomes Aye
- 115 Ms. Bilofsky Aye
- 116 Ms. Gold Aye
- 117 Acting Chairman D'Arpino Aye
- 118 Acting Chairman D'Arpino stated the resolution passed.
- 3. RESOLUTION: 2024-12: A resolution for site plan approval of a tenant change to a Papa John's restaurant at 412 Balltown Rd.
- 121 Acting Chairman D'Arpino read the following in the minutes:
- 122 NOW, THEREFORE, be it hereby

- 123 RESOLVED, that the Planning Board and Zoning Commission finds the above referenced site plan meets
- the requirements of the Zoning Code and previous site plan and Zoning Board of Appeals approvals, and
- therefore, hereby approves the site plan and tenant change with the following conditions:
- 1. The applicant will review the condition of planting beds and trees surrounding the building with the Niskayuna Tree Council and make any changes or upgrades agreed upon during the
- site visit.
- There was a motion for approval by Ms. Strang, seconded by Ms. Bilofsky.
- 130 Mr. Bjorneby, Architect representing the applicant, was on line to answer any questions.
- 131 Mr. Khan asked where the applicant ended up with the size and compliance of the proposed signage.
- Mr. Bjorneby said they removed some of the Papa John's logo and brought the sign down to 21.32 square
- feet, which is in compliance with the previous waiver. He stated they removed the line beneath Papa
- John's that read "Better Ingredients, Better Pizza."
- Ms. Robertson said the sign size is now less that the previously approved waiver and was therefore in
- compliance with Code. Mr. Khan stated he appreciated that.
- Hearing no further comments, Acting Chairman D'Arpino asked for the roll to be called:
- 138 Ms. Strang Ave 139 Mr. Khan Aye 140 Ms. Gomes Aye 141 Ms. Bilofsky Aye 142 Ms. Gold Aye 143 Acting Chairman D'Arpino Aye
- 144 Acting Chairman D'Arpino stated the resolution was passed.
- 145 VIII. DISCUSSION ITEMS
- Acting Chairman D'Arpino stated for consistency's sake in their review of tenant façade signage, he was
- going to move item number 6 on the agenda, 2546 Balltown Road, to item number 1 for discussion.
- 148 Editors Note: The agenda item numbers have been updated accordingly.
- 1. 2546 Balltown Rd. St. Peters Health An application for site plan review for new signage
- Thomas Wheeler of AJ Signs, representing the applicant, was on line and stated he was available to
- answer any additional questions.
- 152 Chairman D'Arpino said they were going to discuss 2546 Balltown Road signage first because it segued
- right into their next discussion about Albany Med.
- Mr. Wheeler said they reduced the size of the façade sign from 36 square feet down to 16 square feet per
- the Board's request at the last meeting.
- Mr. Khan said he is ok with the size coming down but he still has remaining concerns, which included the
- next agenda item as well. He was concerned this would be setting a precedence for every tenant in a medicial
- office building wanting a façade sign.
- Acting Chairman D'Arpino said with the tall trees there he doesn't know how much visibility the sign will
- have as proposed.
- Ms. Bilofsky stated to Mr. Wheeler that with the reduction in size she questioned whether or not it was
- even readable from Balltown Road. Mr. Wheeler felt this was the smallest sign possible to still be readable.

- Ms. Gold reiterated that the tenant is an established practice and she still had concerns that the signage
- would be a distraction for anybody driving by on Balltown Road. She felt it was too high up the building
- and could cause a crash to someone trying to read it.
- Ms. Bilofsky asked the difference in the Balltown Road signage vs the Union Street signage.
- Ms. Robertson said the buildings are in the same zoning but the Union Street building has variances and
- has four existing facade signs already. She stated the Building is branded as an Albany Med building with
- two flying As on the side and an Albany Med logo on the front. The EmUrgent Care has special signage
- that was worked through extensively with the Planning Board because of the nature of the business and the
- fact that the Planning Board required the Emurgent care to have a seperate entrance to be facing Union St,
- rather than an entrance intrinsic to the Building or on the sides.
- 173 Ms. Strang asked if Balltown Road is entitled to put up a façade sign.
- Ms. Robertson said they are entitled to a single, eight-square-foot façade sign.
- Acting Chairman D'Arpino said they need a Project Lead. He stated it would be worthwhile to go to the
- property and take a look at it to decide about the visual impacts to Balltown Road.
- 177 Ms. Strang volunteered to be Project Lead.
- 178 Ms. Bilofsky asked if the four names on the monument sign are the only tenants within the Building.
- Mr. Wheeler said he would get that information to the Board for the next meeting and he was ready to move
- 180 forward.
- Ms. Robertson asked Mr. Wheeler if this was the proposal he was going to request the Board take action
- on to send to the Zoning Board. She summarized to him that she she does not hear a lot of support for the
- sign from the Board at this time.
- Mr. Wheeler said yes, he wanted to move this sign forward to the Zoning Board and having the Planning
- 185 Board make their recommendation.
- Ms. Robertson said the Planning Department will issue a denial for the signage and bring it back to the
- April 29 meeting for the Planning Board recommendation to the Zoning Board.
- Ms. Robertson asked about the monument panel. The Board agreed that it was fine. Ms. Robertson stated
- that the applicant can move forward with a building permit to replace the monument panel because it
- complied with Zoning and the Planning Board was okay with it. Mr. Wheeler stated he appreciated being
- able to move forward with the monument panel.
- 192 2. 1769 Union St. Capital Cardiology An application for site plan review for new signage
- Mr. Colaruotolo of Vital Signs and Graphics, representing the applicant, was on line. He stated the sign
- would go in the middle of the existing signs already on the façade of the Albany Med building. Mr.
- 195 Colaruotolo said he knows the sign they are requesting is larger than allowed but he felt it is aethetically
- consistent with the two existing façade signs and would look bad if it were to be made smaller.
- 197 Acting Chairman D'Arpino said there are two signs already there and he agreed that it shouldn't be smaller
- than the two existing signs if it were to be allowed. He could see how it would fit there but he questioned
- another tenant sign.
- 200 Ms. Gomes said there is a bit of competition between St. Peters and Albany Med and she is concerned that
- approvals for one tenant would create a constant battle for more signage to go up.
- Mr. Khan asked if the Board has a basis for saying no to the Capital Cardiology and Associates signage
- that is proposed for 1769 Union St.

- Ms. Robertson said this applicant has been granted a lot of relief on signage and we do not have to allow
- any additional signage. However, if the Planning Board said no to the sign she believes that the applicant
- still has the ability to appeal to the Zoning Board.
- Mr. Khan said he can see the building owner having their name on the building but not all the tenants. He
- said on this building the EmUrgent Care which is special situation and a special entrance, is already on
- the facade. He feels too many signs doesn't look good. It will look like sign central. He feels the monument
- sign is sufficient for listing the tenants.
- Ms. Robertson said from a Planning Department point of view she would not recommend allowing
- 212 individual tenant façade signs on these buildings. She agreed the Balltown Road could have one façade
- sign even if it is just to mark the address.
- Mr. Colaruotolo said all the letters are the same color on the monument sign and he feels it makes it hard
- for people to distinguish between tenants. He said this tenant gets lost in there.
- Acting Chairman D'Arpino asked about a directory sign at the main entrance, something smaller at a visible
- level instead of marquee letters that are on Union Street.
- 218 Mr. Colaruotolo feels the tenant is not interested in that, he thinks they want to see this through as proposed.
- Ms. Gomes said the Board needs to be mindful that Union Street has a particular brand and aesthetic and
- she doesn't want to allow companies to staking out territories and building up their signs. She said St.
- Peters and Albany Med battle and it is just sign, sign, sign. She feels that is a slippery slope. Ms. Gomes
- said her goal for Union St would be to maintain that family kind of walkability and that Main Street kind
- of feel on Union Street.
- Ms. Bilofsky said the precedent is her concern in both these cases.
- Ms. Robertson said her department will write a denial for each sign and put a recommendation to the ZBA
- on for next meeting. Ms. Robertson said she will verify along with Mr. Hess how the code works if the
- Zoning Board grants the variance and then the Planning Board still didn't want to approve the sign because
- of the code that states the signs must be approved by the Planning Board.
- Ms. Strang volunteered to be project lead on this project.
- 230 Mr. Khan said he will co-lead with Ms. Strang on these two projects. He stated they will treat them as two
- 231 individual projects.
- 3. 2501 Troy-Schenectady Rd. CDJHM An application for site plan approval extension
- 233 Mr. Dembling, President of the Capital Jewish Holocaust Memorial appeared in person.
- Ms. Strang recused herself from this project.
- Mr. Dembling said he is asking for an extension to raise money for this project. He is requesting a four-
- year extension with an update given by him after two years.
- Mr. Khan reiterated his request that until they are financially ready to construct the memorial as planned
- there should be no clearing or disturbance of the site.
- Ms. Robertson said when an applicant initially receives site plan approval it is for two years unless the
- Board extends the time frame. In her interpretation of the code there is no time limit for how long the
- Board has the ability to extend the time frame for it is open-ended.
- Acting Chairman D'Arpino said Route 7 is going through a comprehensive evaluation and there is the
- potential that there could be a master plan that is implemented within a year or two that might impact that
- area. He said whatever happens there might factor into the current Holocaust plans.
- Mr. Khan asked the difficult question "at what point are extensions too long for any kind of project".

- Mr. Hess said the precedent setting is the least concerning part of this. He said he thinks it would be rare
- situation that developers would come to ask for longer than two years to begin a project. The situation that
- 248 this project is none-for-profit is also different than the typical for-profit projects. He said he recommends
- as Council not to worry about the precedent part but he said the other concerns raised by the Board should
- 250 be discussed.
- Ms. Robertson said she does feel four years is a reasonable extension for what this will bring to Niskayuna.
- Mr. Dembling said he has reached out to other monuments like this across the country and it took years to
- 253 get them up and running.
- Ms. Bilofsky said she thinks a great case was made for the two years however this is a unique situation and
- she is concerned about something being in there needing them to accept whatever changes might happen
- through the Comprehensive Plan.
- 257 Mr. Hess said the Comprehensive Plan is not going to affect projects that has already been approved they
- would have a right to move forward as approved.
- Mr. Dembling stated they did not need any variances on this project. It fits into the zoning for the property
- and is allowed.
- Ms. Gomes asked if they were given the extension would that help being able to let donors know the Town
- is vested and has extended the project for four years, even if they would like an update after two.
- Mr. Dembling said he wants to come back in two years with an update and yes, he does think it is important
- to show donors the partnership with the Town and the approvals.
- 265 Acting Chairman D'Arpino said he would suggest moving forward with the four-year extension and
- requested that they add conditions on the resolution that they make it an annual presentation every Spring
- to see where they are.
- Mr. Dembling said he thinks every two years is better for updates. He doesn't mind returning to the Board
- if there is a major change but would like to focus on the longer timeframe goals.
- Ms. Gold said she doesn't think it's fair to compare this to a regular commercial enterprise in terms of
- fundraising. She thinks four years gives an advantage for people to make a donation and have four years
- to get the money in. Ms. Gold said she thinks the four years is reasonable and she supports it.
- Ms. Bilofsky agreed. She said with the uniqueness of the project and potential long-term benefit which she
- feels is valuable to the Town, she is in favor of it.
- Mr. Khan said what moved him off the 50/50 mark is that the applicant said for this project to be successful
- they need four years. He said anybody can say that but given the nature of this project and the role it plays
- in the Town, he agrees with a four year extension. Mr. Khan said the discussion is showing several members
- of the Board are in favor of the four-year extension with a two-year update.
- Ms. Robertson said based upon the discussion there will be a resolution prepared for next meeting.
- 280 Mr. Khan said he would like to condition the resolution with two things. The first is an update in two years
- and the other is an update if there is a change to the project or the Route 7 corridor that is materially is
- enough that the Board or applicant should become aware of it. Acting Chairperson D'Arpino agreed.
- 4. 3905 State St. An application for site plan approval for a tenant change to a convenience store/smoke shop
- Mr. Alsaidi, owner and applicant appeared virtually before the Board. He said he is opening up a mix convenient store with exotic drinks from Japan and tobacco like cigarette and cigars and CBD stuff.
- Acting Chairman D'Arpino said they were only proposing to change out the sign panel correct. Mr. Alsaidi said the sign was too old to just change the panel they need a new sign which he emailed early that day.

- Acting Chairman D'Arpino said they cannot act on that at this meeting but it can be put on for next meeting.
- 290 Mr. Alsaidi said he will be out of the country for a while but he would like to get the permits to get work
- done on the inside of the building and then do the signage when he gets back.
- Ms. Robertson said they can split approvals up for tenant change and signage, that happens regularly with
- site plan reviews. She did ask about a clear path to the front of the store for customers that were parking in
- 294 the spots at the rear of the building. She stated this building was configured very similarly to S&Gs building
- down the road and they worked long and hard to find a way to get customers from the rear to the front of
- the store safely. Mr. Alsaidi said there are 8 spots in the back and about 4 in the front.
- Ms. Bilofsky asked if they allowed customers in through the back entrance or if they are only using the
- front entrance. Mr. Alsaidi said they are using the front entrance and only using the back entrance for an
- 299 emergency exit.
- 300 Ms. Gomes said she noticed the parking spots in the front are very close to the front of the building. She
- asked will there be any kind of prevention to stop cars from pulling right up to the building not leaving
- space for people walking out of the store. She feels this is a safety concern. Mr. Alsaidi said he sees that
- now and will look into something to stop the cars.
- The Board discussed options like barriers or signs to allow a clear walkway from the rear to the front of the
- store. Mr. Khan said he thinks they need to do a little bit of site work on this project.
- 306 Ms. Robertson said on the S & G site they delineated a walking area for people to get from the back to the
- front of the store through the 'working' part of the building. There wasn't room for a pedestrian walkway
- 308 on the outside.
- 309 Mr. Khan said from a pedestrian safety perspective he doesn't feel having people walk up and down the
- small driveway from the back parking lot is safe. Mr. Khan said the simplest solution is to possibly have
- this place open up the rear entrance. Mr. Alsaidi said they can use the back entrance for people that park
- back there but they will need to buzz them in.
- Ms. Gomes asked if there was sufficient lighting in the back of the building. Mr. Alsaidi said yes there is
- 314 lighting.
- 315 Ms. Strang asked how many employees would be there and if there was sufficient parking.
- Ms. Robertson said the parking is grandfathered in on this property. She said when a new tenant comes in,
- 317 they make sure they are making the best improvements they can. Ms. Robertson said the last couple times
- 318 they had a site plan like this they really focused on the pedestrian movement.
- Mr. Khan said he thinks they need to be consistent and draw a line where pedestrian safety is concerned.
- 320 Mr. Alsaidi said he will probably open the back and front doors for people to come in to make it safer for
- 321 people in the back.
- 322 Acting Chairman D'Arpino said he thinks the tenant change is ok, he thinks there are some site
- improvements that need to be made. He said he needs to delineate some parking spaces in the front and
- some simple striping and some temporary curb stops aligned or affixed into the ground would be good first
- steps. He said it would be helpful if they could send a photograph of the back of the building to see what
- 326 the store front looks like and also some pictures of the back parking lot.
- 327 Ms. Bilofsky asked if the store had been registered and did it have a name. Mr. Alsaidi said yes, it will be
- 328 called Genie's Smoke Shop and it is a chain.
- Mr. Khan said they need to see a better depiction of the site on the inside rear of the store where the entry
- will be.
- Ms. Robertson asked if they wanted to have it as a discussion item for next meeting or a resolution hoping
- they can achieve all of the items in two weeks.

- Acting Chairman D'Arpino said he is ok with resolution for next meeting as long as they get a little more
- information on the back of the building and striping a resolution would be fine. Acting Chairman said if
- they are concerned about it, they can table it to the following meeting.
- 336 Mr. Alsaidi agreed it would be better to wait and come to the May 13 meeting so he has all the items
- 337 completed
- 5. 2565 Balltown Rd. Schenectady JCC An application for site plan approval of a yurt
- 339 Mr. Katz, Campus Director for JCC, was in person. Mr. Katz said the yurt is going to be used to provide
- 340 additional space primarily for their summer camp. This will help add additional space during inclement
- weather. He said they have roughly 300 children at their camp so there is a need for more space. Mr. Katz
- said it will take the place of the volleyball courts that are no longer in use.
- Acting Chairman D'Arpino said the rendering shows the yurt is not on a concrete slab like stated. Mr. Katz
- said the rendering is from the yurt company. It will be put on a poured Alaskan slab.
- Mr. Khan asked how many people does the yurt hold. Mr. Katz said they would not put more than two
- camp groups in, and each group is 18 campers with 2 to 3 staff.
- 347 Acting Chairman D'Arpino asked that they remove the extra accessories off the drawing and highlight
- 348 where the yurt will be placed. Mr. Katz stated yes they can do that.
- Ms. Bilofsky asked if it will be rented out for birthdays or other events. Mr. Katz said they rent pavilions
- rarely. He said he can't say that it would never be rented, but he doesn't see it as a major purpose. He said
- it could happen maybe a couple times a year.
- 352 6. 850 Oregon Ave. / 875 Stark Ave. An application for lot line adjustment
- 353 Mr. Smith of 850 Oregon Avenue was present. Mr. Smith said he made the corrections to the plat that
- needed to be made and he just received them this date. He understands they are too late for this meeting.
- 355 Mr. Smith asked that this be put on for next meeting.
- 356 Acting Chairman D'Arpino said to recap it is a lot line adjustment that is adding a section of property over
- 357 to Oregon Avenue. Acting Chairman D'Arpino said they prefer lot lines that are more directional, not
- 358 segmented, so the proposal falls in conformance with that. Acting Chairman D'Arpino asked about a couple
- of the out-buildings shown on the map.
- 360 Mr. Smith said he is addressing them with the Building Department and intends to make them compliant
- with the Zoning Code.
- Acting Chairman D'Arpino asked if they are a separate item that the Building Department would deal with.
- 363 Ms. Robertson said the accessory structures do not impact the lot line adjustment. They are currently out of
- 364 conformance with the zoning so she wants to make sure that the applicant has submitted something to bring
- them into conformance with the zoning before the Chairman signs the lot line adjustment, but they don't
- 366 physical effect the lot line change. Ms. Robertson said Mr. Smith has multiple avenues to bring the property
- into conformance prior to recording the plat.
- 368 Mr. Khan asked if they could condition the approval of the lot line resolution to include the moving of the
- carport and permitting of the chicken coop. Ms. Robertson said as long as they have valid permits issued
- 370 to address the structures, he is legally bound to follow through with the permits and conditions of the
- 371 Planning Board.
- Ms. Gold said she feels the adjustment makes the lots more conforming but also make more sense for the
- yards. She noted a step slope between the two properties. Ms. Gold stated she is the project lead.

- Ms. Robertson asked Mr. Hess if the surveyor should remove those accessory structures from the lot line
- adjustment when they are recoding it or should they leave it as is and make sure the resolution is conditioned
- with the building permit requirements.
- 377 Mr. Hess said the structures should remain on the lot line adjustment as is and it is important that the
- resolution have the condition to address the structures to keep the record clean.
- 379 Action Chairman D'Arpino called for a resolution with conditions for the next meeting.

#### IX. REPORTS

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- 1. Zoning Code Updates (Short term rental regulations)
- Ms. Robertson said the Town has reached out to AirBnB directly to get best practices from them and to learn about how to do enforcement with Town code and AirBnB. Ms. Robertson said the Town is working on a short-term solution which would be to mitigate what is happening at the AirBnB's while they work on updating the code and the long-term solution would be to adopt a short term rental code. She said AirBnb has collected a lot of best practices for government regulation which are really good and it has been shared with the Supervisor's office. Ms. Robertson said she is proposing at the next meeting or the one after to start looking at the combination of information they have as a starting place for code updates.
- Mr. Khan asked if there are boundaries and if they can say no to short term rentals in Niskayuna. He asked what is allowed or how it is regulated in the code.
- Ms. Robertson said the Town can't prohibit a use outright in all places in the Town but it can regulate place
- and time. She said from the other towns they looked at the regulations are more based on safety and some
- require a special use permits for an AirBnB. Ms. Robertson said currently there is no differentiation
- between a day rental and a year rental in Town Code. Ms. Robertson said when they look at the code, they
- have to make sure they do not adopt a code that negatively impacts long-term rental people that have been
- 396 living in the town for decades.
- Ms. Strang said it could be possible at the end of the decision-making on the code that the home on Milton
- 398 Keynes could still be used as an AirBnB then. Ms. Robertson said it could. The Board would need to look
- at the regulations to see how that would work. She said she gets a little concerned with enforcement because
- 400 a lot of enforcement of these AirBnB issues is going to be after hours and she is not expecting the Police
- 401 Department to pick up enforcement on a Zoning issue. The question is how to notify the Building Inspectors
- 402 to go out and possibly enforce the codes of AirBnb if the Town were to adopt them. She felt this is
- something the Board should definitely consider during discussions of Code adoption.
- 404 Mr. Khan asked for clarification on the statement that an AirBnB cannot be prohibited in all of Niskayuna.
- He asked if it is possible to prohibit on a zone-basis.
- 406 Ms. Robertson said she hasn't looked into it fully but usually yes, uses can be excluded from certain Zoning
- 407 Districts. However, if the Town of Niskayuna excluded short term rentals from all residential Zoning
- districts that may be a de-facto exclusion which would also not be allowed.
- 409 Ms. Gomes asked if regulations can look at whether it couldn't be within so many feet of a school. There
- 410 are numerous schools in Niskayuna, which would eliminate a large area from having AirBnBs.
- 411 Mr. Hess said he thinks this discussion is very helpful. He would like to get questions from the Board so
- when he comes back, he can have real answers for the Board.
- 413 Mr. Khan said this is not going to be an easy process but they need to go through and identify what their
- 414 parameters are.
- 415 Ms. Bilofsky said she is interested in seeing how other towns are addressing this. She said she definitely
- wants to see what towns the size and scope of ours are doing, not tourist destinations Towns.
- 417 Mr. Khan asked if Niskayuna allows hotels.

- 418 Ms. Robertson said hotels are allowed in at least one zoning district, which she believes is C-N.
- Ms. Robertson summarized the discussion, stating that in the short term the Town will be working with
- 420 AirBnB to address the complaints, but in the long-term this Board will consider adoption of a new Zoning
- 421 code. Adoption of the zoning code is a SEQR action which requires coordination with the County and
- Town Board. She said there are a lot of steps to get the Zoning Code changed.
- 423 Mr. Khan asked for clarification as to who is in contact with AirBnB. Mr. Robertson said the Supervisor's
- office is currently in contact with AirBnB.
- 425 Ms. Gold said she thinks there should be a limitation on how many days a year a home can be rented out
- 426 this way. She feels it becomes a business if it is rented out for a good portion of a year. Ms. Gold said she
- feels the Board should look at renting out a room in the home as well. She stated she knows this is a
- different issue but feels it is related and there needs to be some consistency with the regulations. She felt
- that sometimes renting a room was better because the owner was there on the property which often caused
- better behavior from renters. She stated the Board should stop referring to this issue as AirBnB because
- there are many short-term rental companies.
- 432 Ms. Robertson said she agrees with the need to stop calling everything AirBnb and call everything short
- 433 term rentals and she said she will also note to look at regulating renting a room in your home.
- 434 Acting Chairman D'Arpino asked if there was anything to add to this discussion or the updates to the Zoning
- 435 Code.
- 436 Ms. Roberson said they know they have to do some work on the fees in the Zoning Code. Ms. Robertson
- said she is not sure they want to do this but they have the Neighborhood Mixed Use District that has not
- been applied anywhere.
- 439 Mr. Khan asked if they are getting rid of it. Ms. Robertson said no, they have the Zoning District but it has
- not been placed anywhere. Acting Chairman D'Arpino said this was something they worked on before
- 441 COVID. He said if there was a way to start that committee back up it would be worth-while. There was
- much discussion on this topic and the previous work that had been done and concepts that the committee
- came up with needed to be explored to make sure the Code would create a mixed-use neighborhood that
- the Town of Niskayuna wanted to see. Ms. Robertson said it would be beneficial to the Town to get the
- mixed use code right and implement it ahead of future development.
- Mr. Khan said they should set a target to get it done all of this done this year.
  - 2. Project Submittal Timelines Update
- 448 Ms. Robertson said she did not have an update tonight.
- Mr. Khan said when they open up the Zoning code for making amendments, perhaps they should write the
- 450 project timelines into the code. Ms. Robertson said she thinks it would be helpful to put the process into the
- 451 code.

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- 452 Ms. Strang said she was on another Town's website and they had a table that listed if you want to be on
- 453 this meeting you need to have your packet in by this date, etc. She said it was updated every month but she
- is not sure how heavy of a lift that would be for Town staff to do.
- 455 Ms. Gomes said it would not have to be updated every month. Staff could probably do the entire year at
- once when they were setting the calendar dates. Mr. Khan said he does believe it should be embodied in
- 457 the code.

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#### X. COMMISSION BUSINESS

- 459 Ms. Bilofsky asked about the clearing between Channel 6 and CVS, she wondered if they were approved
- 460 for anything beyond clearing. Ms. Robertson said they were only approved to clear the lot, there are no
- Planning Board approval for anything on there. She also said the developer combined the five homes/lots

- into one lot. Only one single family home would be allowed to go back on that property without Planning
- 463 Board approval for a subdivision or site plan.
- 464 Mr. Khan said he was concerned about over-clearing on River Road or on many projects. He doesn't feel
- the Town has a stiff enough penalty for over-clearing.
- Acting Chairman D'Arpino said he can speak on this because he has been on several pre-construction
- meetings where there are several mature trees that have value to them so whether you charge \$100 a tree or
- \$500 a tree, the trees could be worth several thousand dollars at a lumber mill. It comes down to if you
- have a delineation that is to be non-cleared and there is a stipend associated with the clearing it has to be
- 470 enforced. Acting Chairman D'Arpino said if it were enforced a couple times, all the developers talk and
- they are going to understand the penalties and costs.
- 472 Ms. Robertson said the Town's tree code right now actually requires that if a tree is designated for
- preservation during Planning Board subdivision review the developer has to pre-value it by having a
- certified arborist come out and state this tree is worth x amount of dollars. Ms. Robertson said if they don't
- get the pre value it is almost impossible to get it later and the Code is difficult to enforce. It is hard to get
- an arborist to come and say what a tree is worth once it's gone. As a result, they end up just getting the
- 477 \$500 fine.
- 478 Mr. Khan asked what prevents the Board from working out a contract with an arborist and when we call
- then they need to come out and evaluate a subdivision.
- 480 Mr. Robertson said if the Board would like to review the code she will bring it to them. She stated what
- they could do is require as part of the subdivision review that a the developer gives money for the value of
- 482 the trees the Board is designating to be preserved. The Tree Council can give recommendations and the
- Planning Board must actually designates the trees that they have to save.
- 484 Mr. Khan said he has yet to find a developer that doesn't over clear. Ms. Bilofsky said it's tragic. Her
- 485 neighbors had a wooded back yard and now with the new softball field at the HS they have nothing.
- 486 Ms. Robertson said she can bring that process to them and they can check it out and they can tweak it if
- they want and get ready to start enforcing it.
- 488 Mr. Khan asked about the property on River Road that had been cleared. Ms. Robertson said that is just a
- 489 single- family home but it was a big parcel of land so the clearing is very noticeable. It is not a subdivision
- 490 though.

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#### XI. ADJOURNMENT

- 492 Ms. Bilofsky made a motion to adjourn, Ms. Strang seconded. All were in favor. The meeting was
- adjourned at 9:20 pm.
- 494 The video recording for this meeting can be found at: youtube.com/watch?v=xEL2XNeVAt0



# **TOWN OF NISKAYUNA**

## PLANNING BOARD AND ZONING COMMISSION

# **AGENDA STATEMENT**

AGENDA ITEM NO. VII. 1 MEETING DATE: 4/29/2024

ITEM TITLE: RESOLUTION: 2024-13: A Resolution for an extension to the site plan approval for the CDHM at 2501 Troy Schenectady Rd.

PROJECT LEAD: Chris LaFlamme & Genghis Khan (original approval)

APPLICANT: Restoration of Eastern European Jewish Cemeteries Project, Inc., represented by Daniel W. Dembling

SUBMITTED BY: Laura Robertson, Town Planner

REVIEWED BY:

Conservation Advisory Council (CAC) ☐ Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA) ☐ Town Board OTHER: Economic Development, Historic Preservation & Environmental Conservation Committee, Tree Council

ATTACHMENTS:

Resolution ☐ Site Plan ☐ Map ☐ Report ☐ Other: Request Letter

## **SUMMARY STATEMENT:**

Dan Dembling, president of the Capital District Jewish Holocaust Memorial, LLC, applicant for the Capital District Jewish Holocaust Memorial at 2501 Troy Schenectady Road, has requested an additional extension to the site plan approval for the Memorial that was re-issued on January 10, 2022 and November 24, 2022.

Mr. Dembling attended the 4/15/24 Planning Board (PB) meeting and confirmed his need for a 4-year extension to secure funding for the project. The PB agreed to a 4-year extension with the conditions noted below.

#### **BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

The Planning Board approved the Capital District Jewish Holocaust on February 10, 2020 with conditions for Site Plan and the conditions that were attached to the Special Use permit (see attached Resolution 2020-07. The minor subdivision associated with the project (Resolution 2020-06) was approved and recorded in Schenectady County and is complete.

On 12/13/21 the applicant explained to the Planning Department that they worked diligently to meet the timelines approved by the Board, but the COVID-19 pandemic affected the fundraising and final implementation dates for the project. They requested the site plan, which is the controlling timeline for all associated special use permits or variances, be re-authorized by the Planning Board for an additional two years. The Planning Department stated that they reviewed the former resolution and did not identify any conditions or issues with the plan that require

modification. On January 10, 2022, the Planning Board approved a site plan extension for two more years.

On 10/24/2022 the applicant returned to the Planning Board with a site plan revision that included a berm with additional landscaping to shield the memorial from the sound of Route 7 and the proposal to install a monument sign. On 11/14/2022, the Planning Board approved a resolution allowing the addition of the berm and monument sign, extending the site plan approval for two years from that date, or to 11/24/2022.

On November 15, 2023, the law firm Whiteman, Osterman and Hanna (WOH), representing the Capital District Jewish Holocaust Memorial, sent a letter to the Planning Board requesting renewal of the site plan approval.

On December 27, 2023 the Town received notification from Dr. Lozman that he was going to dedicate himself to the US Commission for the Preservation of American's Heritage Abroad and the baton was being passed to Dan Dembling, the present of the Holocaust Memorial.

In January of 2024 WOH reached out to the Town again to ensure the renewal would be brought to the Planning Board. The Planning Department placed them on the agenda for February 12. Based upon the review of the documents, with the last site plan approvals attached to this agenda statement, the site plan approval is good through November of 2024. The Planning Board has the option under the code to extend it longer and based upon discussions with the applicant – they may be requesting a longer extension this time.

Section 220-48 (E) states "Expiration. Final site plan approval shall expire two years after the date of final written approval by the Planning Board unless construction in accordance with the approved plan has begun or an extension of time has been granted by the Planning Board."

<u>2/12/24 Planning Board (PB) meeting</u> – Mr. Dembling attended the meeting and presented the application for an extension to the site plan approval to the Board. He stated that due to a variety of reasons, including COVID and escalating construction costs, they have only raised a small fraction of the funding needed to build the memorial. He explained a change in approach to the project with an emphasis on utilizing the future memorial as an educational tool. Ms. Robertson noted that an extension is not required until November or 2024. A general discussion followed and Mr. Dembling explained that he is quite confident that he will need a 4-year extension on the site plan approval due to the slow rate of fundraising. Ms. Robertson said she would check with the Town Attorney to determine if the Board could grant a 4-year extension. Ms. Robertson explained that there was no rush for the Board to call for a resolution for the next meeting. It was agreed that she would contact the Town Attorney and inform Mr. Dembling of the outcome.

3/4/24 – Ms. Robertson emailed Mr. Dembling informing him that her review of the code allows him to request a site plan approval extension for a period longer than 2 years. She asked him to provide a letter requesting the length of extension he is requesting.

3/19/24 – Mr. Dembling provided a letter to Chairman Kevin A. Walsh requesting a 4-year extension to the existing amended resolution (PB 2022-29) that is due to expire on 11/14/24.

<u>4/15/24 Planning Board (PB) meeting</u> – Mr. Dembling attended the meeting and discussed the project with the board. He confirmed that he believes it will take all of the requested 4-year time extension to raise funding for the memorial. Board members noted that significant changes can occur over a 4-year period. They referenced current grant applications for traffic calming

measures along on Rt 7 as an example. The board called for a resolution for the 4/29/24 with the following conditions.

- A 4-year extension from the current expiration date of 11/14/24
- Applicant to appear before the Board and provide a project update at the November 2026 meeting
- Applicant will work with Planning Board to attend any necessary meetings if there are major changes to the Route 7 corridor or other large, relevant events majorly impacting the project.
- Request remains for no site disturbance until applicant demonstrates that the project funding is in place

A resolution for site plan approval is included in the meeting packet.

#### RESOLUTION NO. 2024 - 13

AT A REGULAR MEETING OF THE PLANNING BOARD AND ZONING COMMISSION OF THE TOWN OF NISKAYUNA DULY CALLED AND HELD ON THE 29TH DAY OF APRIL 2024 AT THE NISKAYUNA TOWN OFFICE BUILDING, ONE NISKAYUNA CIRCLE, IN SAID TOWN AT 7:00 P.M., THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS WERE PRESENT VIRTUALLY OR IN PERSON:

HONORABLE: KEVIN A. WALSH, CHAIRMAN

GENGHIS KHAN
CHRIS LAFLAMME
DAVID D'ARPINO
LESLIE GOLD
NANCY STRANG
SARAH BILOFSKY
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One of the purposes of the meeting was to take action on a time extension to a final site plan review and approval.

The meeting was duly	<sup>7</sup> called	to order b	y the Chairman.
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The following resolution was offered by	
whom moved its adoption, and seconded by	

WHEREAS, Mr. Dan Dembling, has made an application to the Planning Board for a 4-year time extension to the previously approved site plan for a 2.08-acre religious education facility including a monument sign and earthen berm at 2501 Troy Schenectady Road, as shown in a 10 page site plan set entitled "Existing Conditions Plan for Holocaust Memorial, 2501 Troy Schenectady Road, Town of Niskayuna, County of Schenectady, State of New York," by Hershberg & Hershberg, consulting engineers and land surveyors, and dated 5/1/2017, with additionally approved site plan amendment dates added as follows:

Page	File Name	Name	Author	Date Drawn	Rev.
No.					
1	CDJHM001	Overall Plan	"A"	10/14/22	5/11/21
2	CDJHM002	Site Plan for Proposed Sign	"A"	10/14/22	10/21/22
3	CDJHM003	Site Plan with Section	"A"	NA	NA
4	CDJHM004	Monument Sign A100	"B"	10/14/22	10/14/22
5	CDJHM005	Monument Sign Rendered	"B"	NA	NA
6	CDJHM006	Short-term Sign Rendered	"B"	NA	NA

and,

WHEREAS, the zoning classification of the property is R-1: Low Density Residential zoning district, and

WHEREAS, A religious education facility in an R-1 Zone requires a special use permit, and

WHEREAS the Planning Board conducted a public hearing on February 12, 2018 to consider the application for a special use permit and preliminary site plan review, and

WHEREAS this application was referred to the Schenectady County Planning Department and on November 20, 2017 the County responded that it conditionally approved of the project, pending NYSDOT approval of highway access, and

WHEREAS, the application was referred to the Niskayuna Conservation Advisory Council, and on January 3, 2018, the Council recommended a negative declaration, and

WHEREAS, the Town Board, acting in accordance with the State Environmental Quality Review regulations and local law, assumed the position of lead agency for this project, determined the project will not have a significant effect on the environment and directed the Town Planner to file a negative declaration, and

WHEREAS, the Town Board granted a special use permit on June 20, 2019 to allow a religious education facility at 2501 Troy Schenectady Road, by its Resolution No. 2018-182, and

WHEREAS, the Planning Board and Zoning Commission – granted minor subdivision approval for the subdivision of a property at 2501 Troy Schenectady Road as shown on a map entitled "Proposed Subdivision, Capital District Jewish Holocaust Memorial, 2501 Troy Schenectady Road" prepared by Hershberg & Hershberg and dated February 6, 2018, by its Resolution 2020-06, and

WHEREAS, On January 10, 2022 the Planning Board and Zoning Commission granted a 2-year time extension to the previously approved site plan, by its Resolution No. 2022-01, and

WHEREAS, On November 14, 2022, the Planning Board and Zoning Commission granted site plan amendment approval to allow for the installation of a monument sign and earthen berm and an additional 2-year time extension to the previously approved site plan, by its Resolution No. 2022-29, and

WHEREAS, the Planning Board finds that the timelines involved in community fundraising for the project, the requirement for donations to be given reasonable security on permitting in place, the uniqueness of this proposal, and the overall benefits to the

Town of Niskayuna from such a facility require a rare exception to the standard approvals of two years, and

WHEREAS, the Planning Board referred this application to the Town's Engineering Department and the department does not object to the proposed plans, and

WHEREAS this Board has carefully reviewed the proposal and by this resolution does set forth its decision hereon,

NOW, THEREFORE, be it hereby

RESOLVED, that this Planning Board and Zoning Commission does hereby <u>grant and extend</u> final site plan approval for a special use permit to allow the Capital District Jewish Holocaust Memorial at 2501 Troy Schenectady Road, subject to the following conditions:

- 1. Wetlands may not be disturbed, drained or physically altered in any way without first contacting the Army Corps of Engineers. Additionally, the Town of Niskayuna requires that no land can be disturbed within a twenty-five (25) foot buffer from the boundary of the wetland.
- 2. In accordance with Chapter 180 of the Soil Erosion and Sediment Control Ordinance of the Town of Niskayuna, the applicant shall put in place soil erosion and sediment control measures sufficient to stabilize disturbed areas. These measures shall be satisfactory to the Superintendent of Water, Sewer, and Engineering and shall remain in place until such time as natural vegetation has been successfully established.
- 3. Prior to issuance of a final CO, the applicant shall sign a Storm water Control Facility Maintenance and Access Agreement, in order to ensure the proposed storm water facilities are installed and maintained per plans.
- 4. Prior to site disturbance, the applicant shall participate in a preconstruction meeting with the Town of Niskayuna and shall address any concerns raised by the Town or the Town Designated Engineer (TDE).
  - A. Pursuant to this site plan amendment, the project is approved to install monument sign as outlined in the drawings noted above, with minor associated clearing, to mark the entrance to the memorial prior to full site disturbance or the preconstruction meeting requirement.
- 5. Prior to site disturbance, the site plan maps shall be modified to reflect agreed upon decisions of the preconstruction meeting, if any, and distributed as required to the Town and to all involved contractors. Final site plans shall be submitted to the Town labeled "For Construction."

- 6. Prior to site disturbance, confirmation shall be made by the applicant to the Department of Public Works that material specifications and site details, including road and utility plan/profiles, meet Town standards.
- 7. Prior to the preconstruction meeting, any engineering and drainage concerns will be addressed to the satisfaction of the Town Superintendent of Water, Sewer and Engineering, including item #7 in the TDE comment letter dated 2/3/2020.
- 8. Prior to the preconstruction meeting, any questions or concerns raised by the Town Designated Engineer will be addressed by the applicant in a formal letter to the Town.
- 9. Prior to the preconstruction meeting, the applicant shall provide written approval from the NYSDOT for the curb cut on Route 7.
- 10. As a condition of the special use permit, hours of operation for the property shall be dawn to dusk.
- 11. As a condition of the special use permit, a thick vegetative buffer shall be established along the Route 7 corridor to protect the residential nature of the corridor and limit impact to adjacent properties.
  - A. Pursuant to this site plan amendment, an earthen berm shown in page 2 of the 6-page drawing set noted above is approved to be added to the grading plan to create additional screening and noise reduction to the site.
- 12. As a condition of the special use permit, temporary onsite restroom facilities shall be required at any time the memorial is open, with an area reserved on the site plan that will adequately serve for the construction of permanent bathrooms in the event that they are deemed necessary by the Town and overseeing Foundation.
- 13. All large events that require traffic control / Niskayuna police presence shall be coordinated with the Town of Niskayuna Police Department in well in advance of each event.
- 14. Final site plan approval shall be granted for four (4) additional years following the expiration date of Resolution 2022-29; therefore site plan approval shall expire on November 14, 2028 unless construction in accordance with the approved plan has begun or an additional extension of time has been granted by the Planning Board.
- 15. <u>The applicant shall appear before the Planning Board and Zoning Commission at their November 2026 meeting to provide a comprehensive update on the status of the project.</u>

16. <u>Applicant will work with Planning Board to attend any necessary meetings if there are major changes to the Route 7 corridor or other large, relevant events with possible implications on the approvals of the project occur.</u>

Upon roll call the foregoing resolution was adopted by the following vote:

KEVIN A. WALSH, CHAIRMAN GENGHIS KHAN CHRIS LAFLAMME DAVID D'ARPINO LESLIE GOLD NANCY STRANG SARAH BILOFSKY EHASUYI GOMES

The Chairman declared the same \_\_\_\_\_\_.



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March 19, 2024

# **VIA EMAIL**

Chairman Kevin A. Walsh Members of the Planning Board One Niskayuna Circle Niskayuna, NY 12309 United States

RE: Holocaust Memorial – 2501 Troy Schenectady Road, Niskayuna NY

Dear Chairman Walsh and Members of the Planning Board:

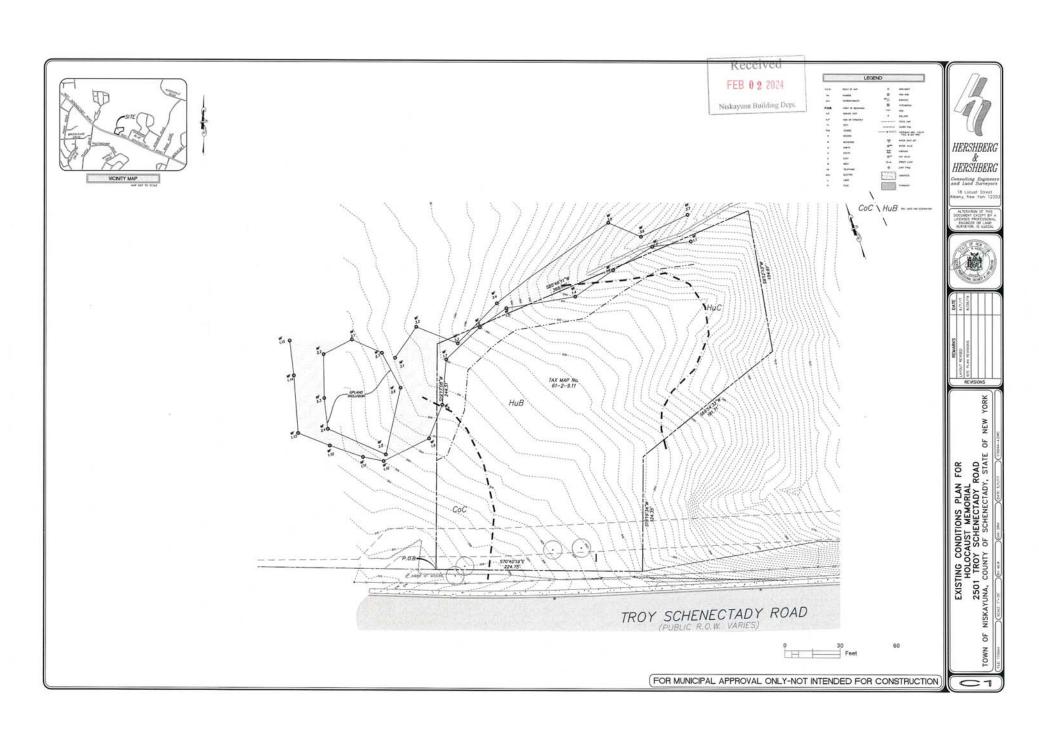
Our Firm represents Capital District Jewish Holocaust Memorial, Inc. (the "Applicant"), in relation to its approved Holocaust Memorial at 2501 Troy Schenectady Road (the "Project"). We attended the Town of Niskayuna Planning Board ("Planning Board") meeting on February 12, 2024, to request a 2-year extension of the site plan approval. During the meeting we were informed that the Planning Board may grant a 4-year extension of the site plan approval pursuant to Zoning Code § 220-48(E).

Based on the foregoing we respectfully request a 4-year extension of the Project's site plan approval, commencing from the November 2024 expiration date, while the Applicant continues to raise funds for the Project. Thank you for your assistance in this matter. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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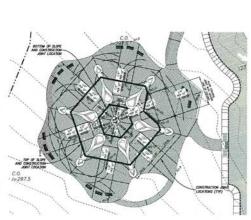
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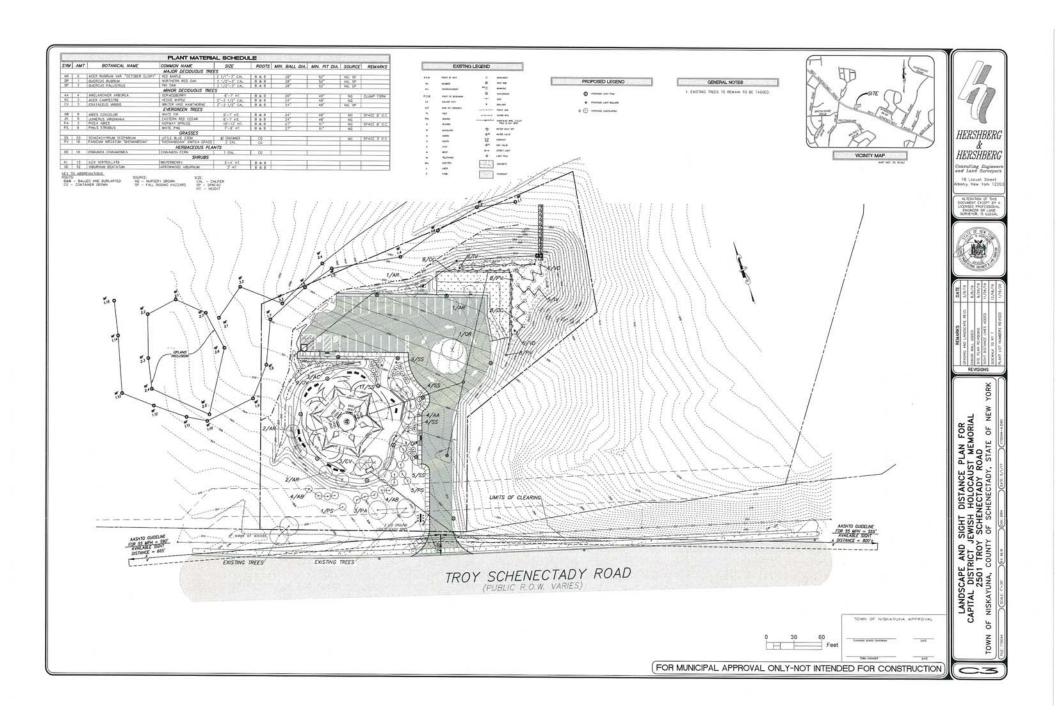
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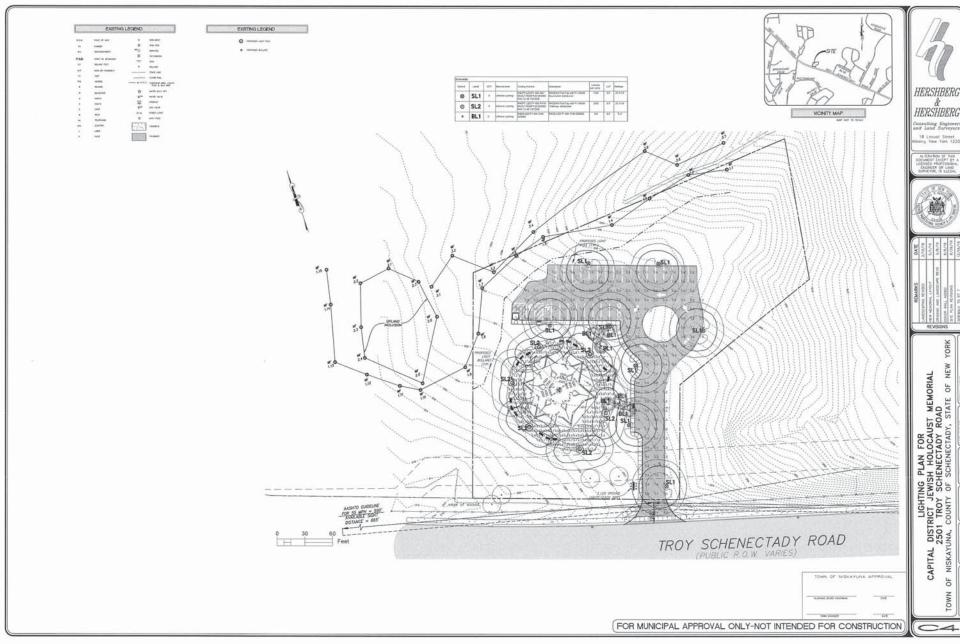


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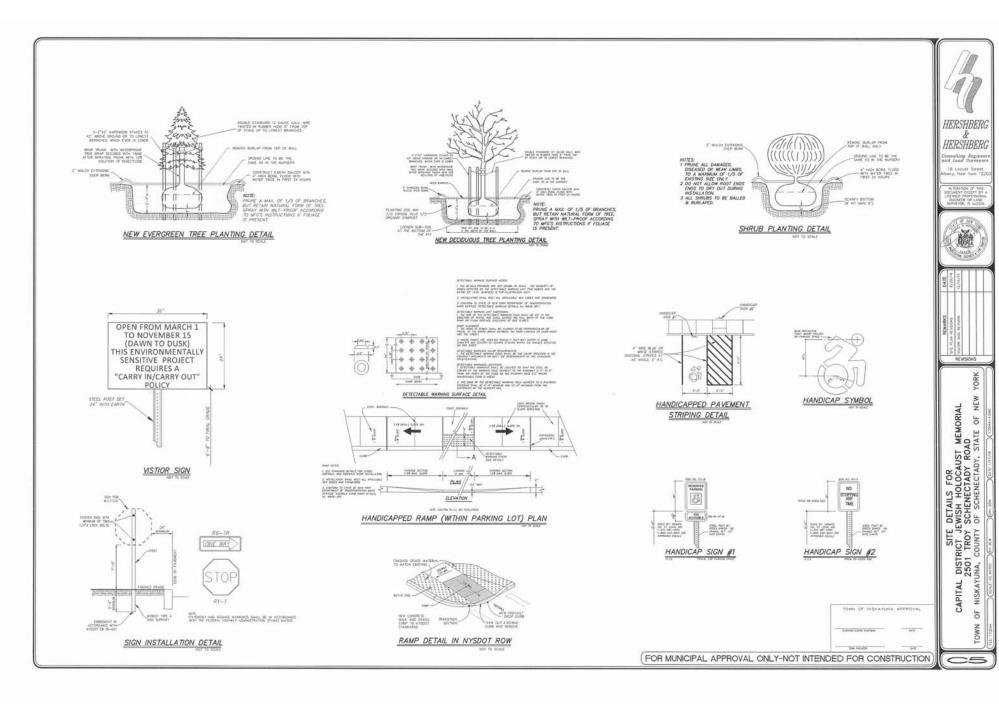




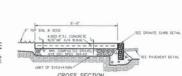


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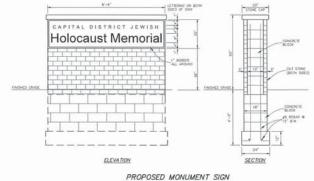
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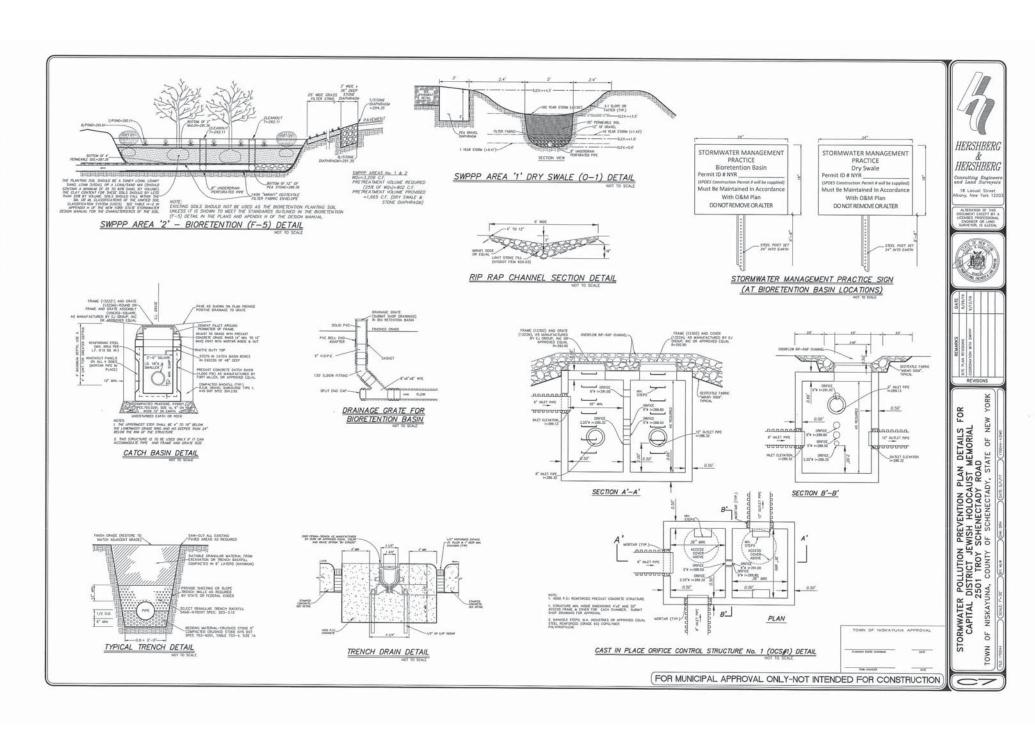
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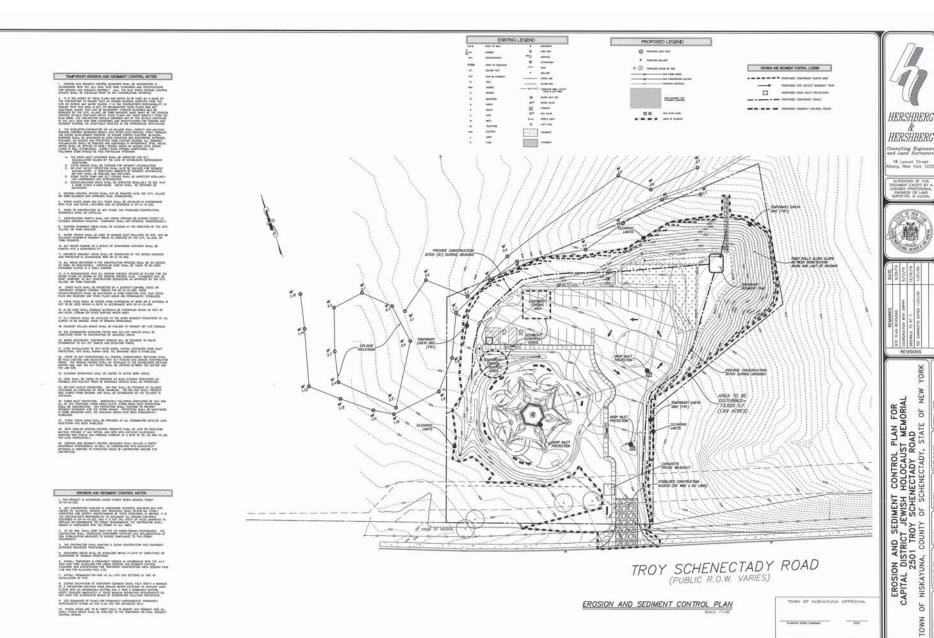
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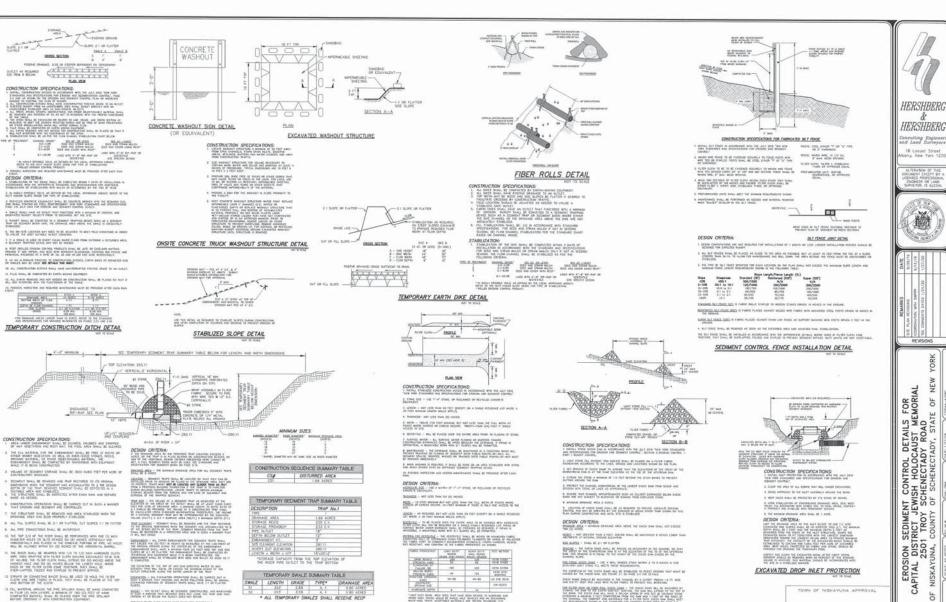
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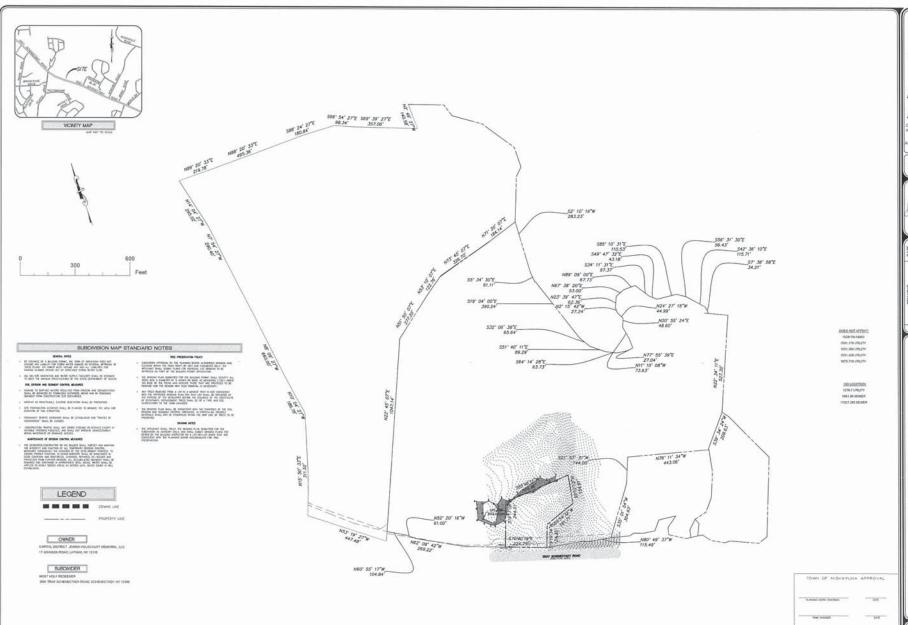
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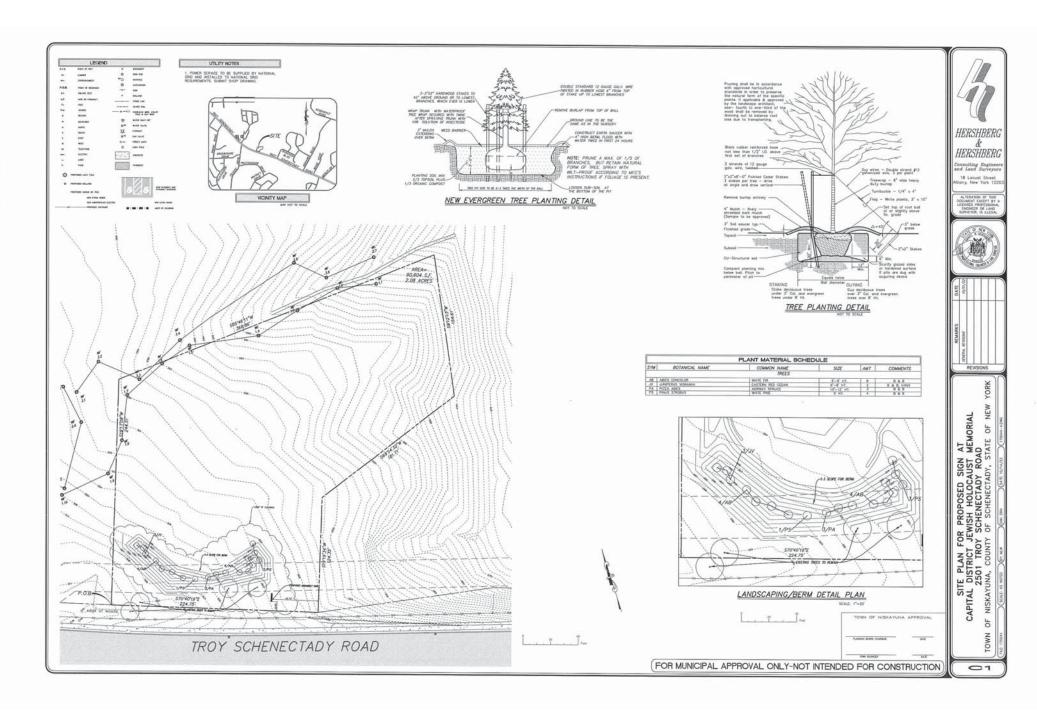


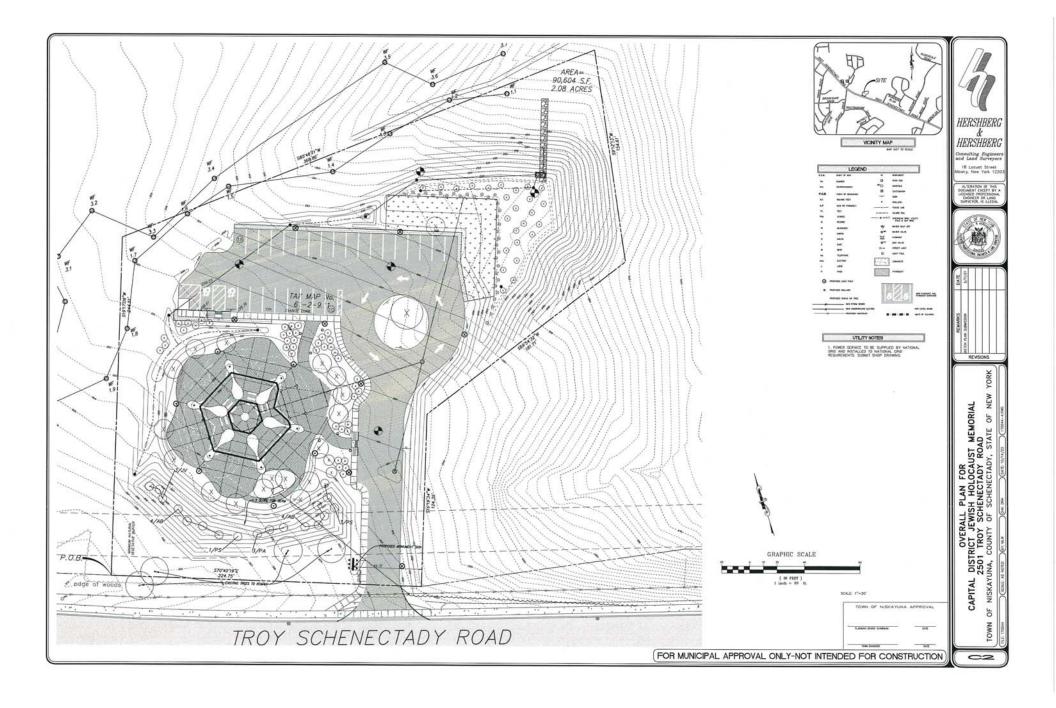
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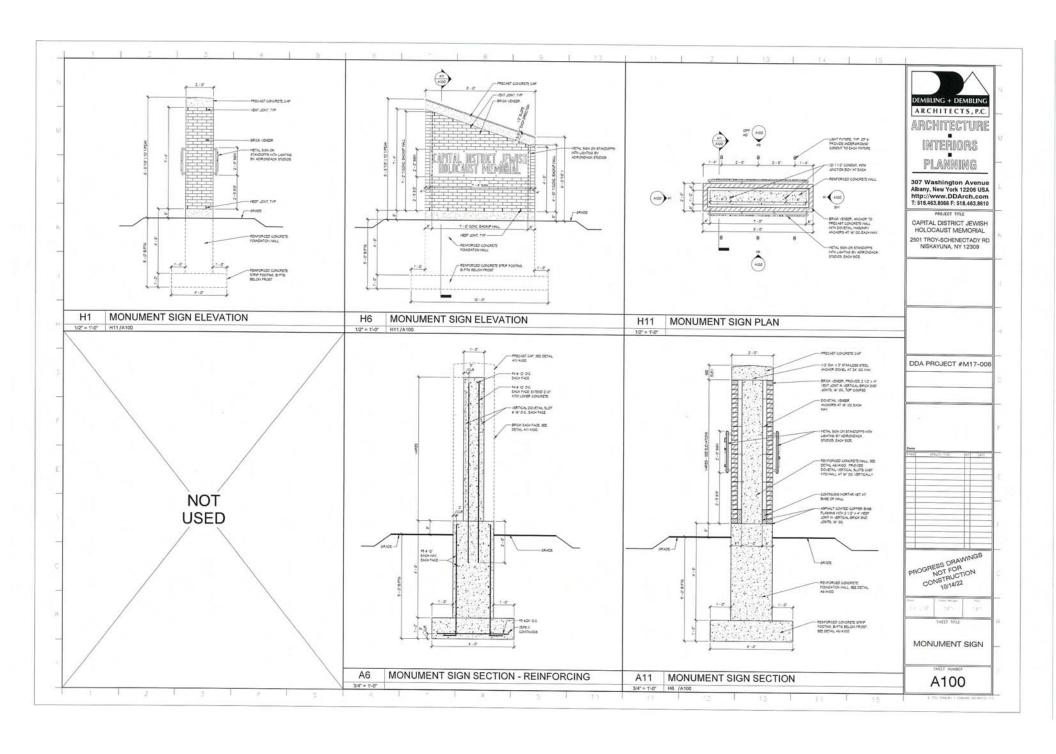
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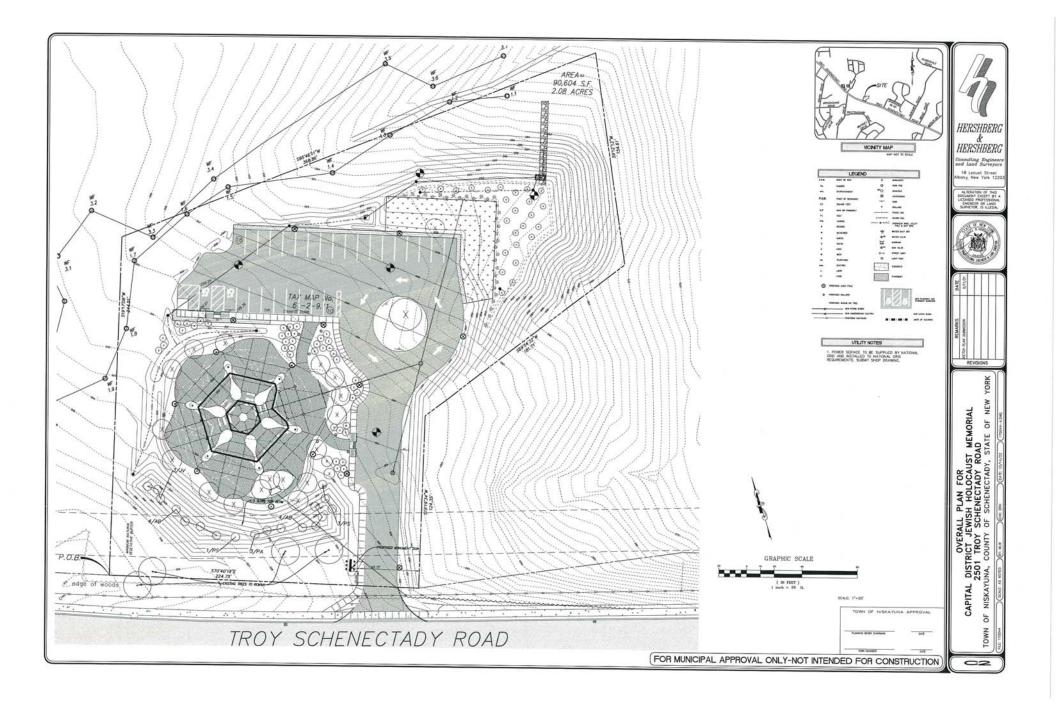
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## **TOWN OF NISKAYUNA**

### PLANNING BOARD AND ZONING COMMISSION

### **AGENDA STATEMENT**

AGENDA ITEM NO. VII. 2	MEETING DATE: 4/29/24
ITEM TITLE: RESOLUTION: 2024-14: A Resolution for site pl a convenience store / smoke shop at 3905 State St.  PROJECT LEAD: TBD	an approval of a tenant change to
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APPLICANT: Zakaria Alsaidi, agent for the owner	
SUBMITTED BY: Laura Robertson	
REVIEWED BY:  Conservation Advisory Council (CAC)  Zoning Board of A  OTHER:	Appeals (ZBA) $\square$ Town Board
ATTACHMENTS: ■ Resolution ■ Site Plan □ Map □ Report □ Other:	

### **SUMMARY STATEMENT:**

Zakaria Alsaidi, agent for the property owner, submitted an application for site plan review for a tenant change to a convenience store / smoke shop at 3905 State St.

The property lies within the C-H Commercial Highway zoning district. Retail and service stores are permitted principal uses in the district.

The applicant presented the application to the Board at their 4/15/24 meeting. A detailed discussion was held regarding parking spaces and store access. The Board requested that several additional items be provided prior to the 4/29/24 meeting and agreed to act on a tentative resolution for site plan approval if the requested items were submitted.

### **COMPREHENSIVE PLAN**

The proposed action complies with the current (2013) Comprehensive Development Plan for the Town.

### **BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

The following documents were included with the application.

- 1. A 1-page pictorial rendering of the site documenting parking spaces in the front and rear of the building.
- 2. A 1-page sketch of the proposed interior layout of the building space.

- In the site plan application Mr. Alsaidi includes the following information.
  - o The sign will remain the same he will only be changing the panels of the sign
  - o Exterior lighting will remain as-is
  - The new business will be a convenience store / smoke shop and will sell drinks, snacks, cigarette vape and CBD products.
  - Hours of operation will be 9 A.M. to 9 P.M.
  - He will have approximately 4 employees

§ 220-32.7 Tobacco retailer, e-cigarette retailers and marijuana retailers (B) of the zoning code states that tobacco, e-cigarette and marijuana retailers shall not be located within 1,000 feet from the property lines of any Niskayuna Central School District school, nursery school, school of private instruction, or child day-care center. The Planning Office has determined that the proposed location of 3905 State St. complies with this requirement.

§ 76 Retail Dispensaries and On-Site Consumption Licenses, 76-2, states that "The Town Board of the Town of Niskayuna, Schenectady County, hereby requests the Cannabis Control Board prohibit the establishment of retail dispensary licenses and onsite consumption licenses within its jurisdiction and hereby opts out." The Planning Office has determined this proposal does not include hosting retail cannabis dispensaries or on-site cannabis consumption, which is prohibited in Niskayuna.

This site is set up similarly to 4013 State St where the Planning Board explored with the applicant how to move customers from the back parking to the front of the store. The Planning Department recommends discussing signage or a back entrance that directs customers to the front of the store if parking is proposed also in the rear.

4/15/24 Planning Board (PB) meeting – Mr. Alsaidi attended the meeting via. videoconference and presented his application to the Board. He explained that the new retail store would be a Genie Smoke Shop franchise and that he currently has several stores across the United States. The board inquired how many parking spaces exist on the property. Mr. Alsaidi replied that there are 8 spaces behind the building and several spaces in front of the building. The Board discussed the safest method of allowing patrons who park in the back parking area to enter the store. It was agreed upon that the store would have customer entrances on both the front and rear facades. The Board agreed to call for a resolution for site plan approval for the 4/29/24 PB meeting but they required that the following additional information be provided before they act on the resolution.

- Update the site plan to include clearly dimensioned and marked parking spaces including concrete curb stop bumpers on all parking spaces identifying the end of the parking spaces (partially complete)
- The parking spaces near State St. should be marked or striped (condition to resolution added)
- Provide plan view photographs of the front and back of the building (submitted)
- Review lighting in the front and rear of the building and document the location of light poles and provide pictures of the level of illumination at the site (not complete)

It was agreed that signage would be reviewed by the Planning Board at a future date.

At the April 22 Complete Streets Meeting, the Complete Streets Committee had the following comments related to the site plan application:

- 1. Fix curb ramps and designate an area for people to walk from sidewalk to sidewalk along State Street either via sidewalk extension or a painted crosswalk. There is currently no area for pedestrians to walk along State Street. Complete Streets felt if there was not room for parking and a sidewalk a sidewalk should take precedence at the front of the building.
- 2. Look at ways to add greenspace to the front / sides of building, especially if the parking doesn't fit.
- 3. Complete Streets noted the front parking spaces, as configured, mean that cars would back out into sidewalk area / State Street. They suggested looking at a configuration with less parking spaces out front where the parking faced the adjacent business to the east. That way cars could back out into the driveway for the store and face State Street squarely when they exited the property.
- 4. One of the front parking spaces should be handicap accessible.

A tentative resolution for site plan approval is included with the meeting package. It contains conditions to account for the incomplete resubmittal of the parking plan and Complete Streets comments about the sidewalk and ADA parking space. The requirement for the ARB review is standard and the sidewalk condition was taken directly from a recent tenant change on Union Street which required Schenectady County involvement and was completed successfully.

### RESOLUTION NO. 2024-14

AT A REGULAR MEETING OF THE PLANNING BOARD AND ZONING COMMISSION OF THE TOWN OF NISKAYUNA DULY CALLED AND HELD ON THE 29TH DAY OF APRIL 2024 AT THE NISKAYUNA TOWN OFFICE BUILDING, ONE NISKAYUNA CIRCLE, IN SAID TOWN AT 7:00 P.M., THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS WERE PRESENT VIRTUALLY OR IN PERSON:

HONORABLE: KEVIN A. WALSH, CHAIRMAN

GENGHIS KHAN
CHRIS LAFLAMME
DAVID D'ARPINO
LESLIE GOLD
NANCY STRANG
SARAH BILOFSKY
EHASUYI GOMES

One of the purposes of the meeting was to take action on a final site plan approval.

The meeting was duly called to order by the Chairman.

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WHEREAS, Zakaria Alsaidi made an application to the Planning Board and Zoning Commission for site plan approval for tenant change at 3905 State St. to a convenience store / smoke shop as described in the following documents:

- 1. A 1-page Google Earth image of the top and front view of the building.
- 2. A 1-page hand sketch of the proposed interior floor plan of the building.

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WHEREAS, the zoning classification of the property is C-H Commercial Highway zoning district and retail and service stores are permitted principal uses in the district, and

WHEREAS, the proposed tenant change complies with the Economic Development section of the 2013 Niskayuna Comprehensive Plan, and

WHEREAS, the Planning Board referred this application to the Town's Superintendent of Water, Sewer and Engineering, the Fire District Chief and the Chief of Police and there were no objections to the proposal, and

WHEREAS, the Planning Board has determined that the proposed tenant change is classified as a Type II action under State Environmental Quality Review (SEQR) regulations and local law, and no further SEQR review is necessary, and

WHEREAS, the Board has carefully reviewed the proposal and by this resolution does set forth its decision hereon,

NOW, THEREFORE, be it hereby

RESOLVED, that the Planning Board and Zoning Commission finds the above referenced site plan meets the requirements of the Zoning Code and previous site plan and Zoning Board of Appeals approvals, and therefore, hereby approves the site plan and tenant change with the following conditions:

- 1. A final parking lot striping and configuration plan shall be submitted to the Planning Department for their review and approval.
  - a. All parking spaces are to be marked or striped and are to include a concrete curb stop identifying the end of the parking space.
  - b. One ADA compliant parking space shall be included at the front of the building.
- 2. Parking areas are located at the front and rear of the building. Customer entrances are required on the front and rear facades near each respective parking area. Customer signage and 'path' from the back of the building to the front shall be review and approved by the Planning and Building Departments.
- 3. Site lighting, additional greenspace and existing façade shall be reviewed by the Architectural Review Board for their comments and recommendations to the applicant.
- 4. Applicant shall repair / replace curb ramps from the sidewalk that serves this property according to the specifications of New York State Department of Transportation and extend or mark the area of the sidewalk in front of the building to provide for safe pedestrian crossing.
- 5. Any and all proposed signage for the property shall be reviewed and approved by the Planning Board at a future date.

Upon roll call the foregoing resolution was adopted by the following vote:

KEVIN A. WALSH, CHAIRMAN GENGHIS KHAN CHRIS LAFLAMME DAVID D'ARPINO LESLIE GOLD NANCY STRANG SARAH BILOFSKY EHASUYI GOMES

The Chairman declared the same \_\_\_\_\_.



# **TOWN OF NISKAYUNA**

One Niskayuna Circle Niskayuna, New York 12309-4381

Phone: (518) 386-4530

# **Application for Site Plan Review**

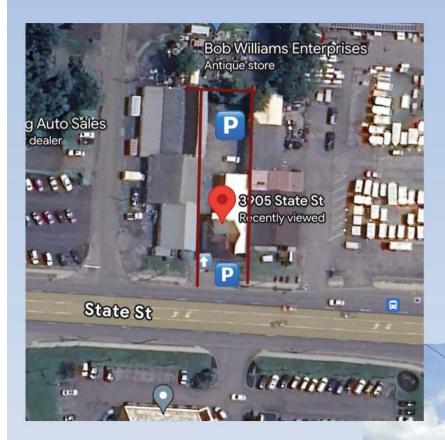
Applicant (Owner or Agent):	<b>Location:</b> 3905 State St
Name Zakaria Alsaidi	Number & Street Schenectady, NY 12304 United States
Address154 Madison ave	Section-Block-Lot
Albany NY 12202	
Email Zakalsaidi5@gmail.com	
Telephone 510-228-6625 Fax	Zoning District
Proposal Description:	
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cigarette vape and CBD. Our	operating hour is from 9 am to 9
pm. We will have around fou	r employees.
Signature of applicant:	Date: 03/17/2024
Signature of owner (if different from applicant	):
Date: 03/17/2024	

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## Each site plan application shall be accompanied by:

- 1. Digital copies in pdf format of all application forms and supporting documents.
- 2. A digital copy in pdf format and three (3) full size copies of any large scale plans or maps prepared by a licensed engineer, architect or surveyor.
  - a. The site plan shall include the following: the title of the drawing, including the name(s), address(es), phone and fax numbers of the applicant and the name address, phone and fax number of the person, firm or organization preparing the map.
  - b. The North point, date and scale.
  - c. Boundaries of the property.
  - d. Existing watercourses and direction of existing and proposed drainage flow.
  - e. The location of all proposed site improvements; proposed water and utility facilities; a description of the method of sewage disposal and location of such facilities; the location of all proposed signs; and location of proposed areas of vegetation.
- 2. A digital copy in pdf format of a lighting plan showing the lighting distribution of existing and proposed lights, specifications, photometric data, and catalog cuts of the proposed fixture(s) which meet the requirements of Article VIIIB of the Zoning Ordinance of the Town of Niskayuna entitled "Guidelines for Lighting of Outdoor Areas under Site Plan Review".
- 3. One (1) copy of the short or long Environmental Assessment Form (EAF), as required by 6NYCRR Part 617, "State Environmental Quality Review", and Chapter 95, "Environmental Quality Review" of the Code of the Town of Niskayuna.
- 4. If the application is being made by someone other than the current property owner, the applicant or the agent for the applicant must provide proof that they are authorized to pursue this site plan approval. Such proof may be in the form of a contract for sale or letter by the current owner that the applicant/agent is authorized to proceed with this application.
- 5. Administration Fees: An application for site plan approval shall be submitted to the Planning Board at least ten (10) business days prior to a regular meeting of the Planning Board. Each petition shall be accompanied by a minimum fee of \$200.00 plus an additional fee based on the square footage of new building construction. Fees are payable to the Town of Niskayuna.
- 6. Consulting Fees: The cost incurred by the Town for the review of an application by the Town Engineer, consulting engineering firm or other consulting fees, in connection with a Board's review of a proposed application shall be charged to the applicant. The Board to whom the application is made shall obtain an estimate from any designated consultant of the amount sufficient to defray the cost of such services and shall collect from the applicant the estimated charges. Any portion of the estimated charges so collected, which are not expended by the Town, shall be returned to the applicant. Any such costs incurred by the Town beyond the estimated charges initially collected from the applicant, shall be collected from the applicant prior to final action upon the application.

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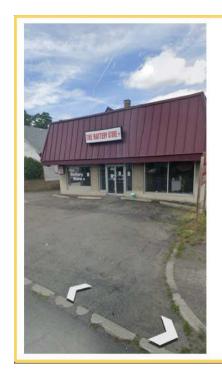


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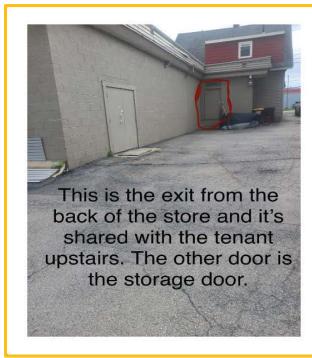
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# **TOWN OF NISKAYUNA**

### PLANNING BOARD AND ZONING COMMISSION

### **AGENDA STATEMENT**

AGENDA ITEM NO. VII. 3	MEETING DATE: 4/29/24
ITEM TITLE: RESOLUTION: 2024-15: A Resolution for at 2565 Balltown Rd.	site plan approval of a 30' diameter yurt
PROJECT LEAD: Ms. Strang	
APPLICANT: Andrew Katz, agent	
SUBMITTED BY: Laura Robertson	
REVIEWED BY:  ☐ Conservation Advisory Council (CAC) ☐ Zoning Boa ☐ OTHER:	ard of Appeals (ZBA) $\square$ Town Board
ATTACHMENTS: ■ Resolution ■ Site Plan □ Map □ Report □ Other:	

### **SUMMARY STATEMENT:**

Andrew Katz, agent for the JCC, submitted an application for site plan review for the addition of a 30' diameter by approximately 14' high yurt on the property. The property lies within the R-3 High Density Residential zoning district. Places of worship, religious education facilities, parish houses and rectories are special principal uses in the district. This is the first appearance of this project before the Planning Board.

Mr. Katz presented the project to the Planning Board at their 4/15/24 meeting. They requested a simplified site plan drawing that focused on the addition of the yurt and called for a resolution for site plan approval for the 4/29/24 meeting.

### **COMPREHENSIVE PLAN**

The proposed action complies with the current (2013) Comprehensive Development Plan for the Town.

### **BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

The following documents were included with the application.

1. A 1-page survey drawing entitled, "Schenectady Jewish Community Center, 2565 Balltown Road, Schenectady, New York 12309, Proposed Overall Site Plan" by the Chazen Companies dated 11/1/99 with a most recent revision of Rev 2 5/22/00 that shows the surveyed property line boundaries of the property and contour lines defining the topography.

- 2. A 1-page site plan drawing entitled, "Schenectady Jewish Community Center, 2565 Balltown Road, Schenectady, NY 12309, Site Plan" dated 3/26/24 with no subsequent revision that shows the proposed location for the yurt and includes the locations of recent improvements to the property (EV charging stations) and proposed future improvements (afterschool building addition, replace children's pool with a splash pad).
- 3. An 8-page brochure from Pacific Yurts, Inc. containing manufacturer's information on their "30' Yurt".
- 4. A Short Form EAF signed by Andrew Katz dated 3/19/24.

During a meeting at the JCC with Ms. Robertson and Mr. Henry of the Planning Office, Mr. Katz verbally provided the following additional detail.

- They do not plan on providing electricity to the yurt
- A concrete pad will be poured as a base for the yurt
- As shown in the site plan drawing, the yurt will be located near the center of the fields near the existing tennis courts and will not be visible from Balltown Rd. or neighboring properties.

<u>4/15/24 Planning Board (PB) meeting</u> – Mr. Katz appeared at the meeting and presented the project to the board. He clarified that the yurt will be installed on a poured concrete slab and is designed to hold a maximum of 18 children. Mr. Katz presented and explained the site plan drawing that was included with the application. The plan included details for several other accessory type projects at the site. For ease of readability, the Board requested a version of the site plan be provided that only included information and details related to the proposed yurt. The board concluded their discussion by calling for a tentative resolution for the 4/29/24 meeting.

A resolution for site plan approval is included in the meeting packet.

### RESOLUTION NO. 2024-15

AT A REGULAR MEETING OF THE PLANNING BOARD AND ZONING COMMISSION OF THE TOWN OF NISKAYUNA DULY CALLED AND HELD ON THE 29TH DAY OF APRIL 2024 AT THE NISKAYUNA TOWN OFFICE BUILDING, ONE NISKAYUNA CIRCLE, IN SAID TOWN AT 7:00 P.M., THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS WERE PRESENT VIRTUALLY OR IN PERSON:

HONORABLE: KEVIN A. WALSH, CHAIRMAN

GENGHIS KHAN
CHRIS LAFLAMME
DAVID D'ARPINO
LESLIE GOLD
NANCY STRANG
SARAH BILOFSKY
EHASUYI GOMES

One of the purposes of the meeting was to take action on an application for site plan approval.

The meeting was duly called to order by the Chairma	n.
The following resolution was offered by,	
whom moved its adoption, and seconded by	

WHEREAS, Andrew Katz submitted an Application for Site Plan Review for the addition of a 30' diameter yurt at 2565 Balltown Rd as described in the following documents:

- 1. A 1-page site plan drawing entitled, "G-1, Site Plan, Schenectady Jewish Community Center, 2565 Balltown Road, Schenectady, NY 12309" dated 3/26/24 with no subsequent revisions,
- 2. An 8-page brochure from Pacific Yurts, Inc. containing manufacturer's information on their "30' Yurt".

, and

WHEREAS, the zoning classification of the property is R-3 High Density Residential and R-2 Medium Density Residential, and

WHEREAS, places of worship, religious education facilities, parish houses and rectories are special principal uses in the district, and

WHEREAS, the Planning Board shall refer this project to the Niskayuna Architectural Review Board (ARB) for review of the images, and

WHEREAS, the Planning Board has determined that the proposed additional accessory structure is classified as a Type II action under State Environmental Quality Review (SEQR) regulations and local law, and no further SEQR review is necessary, and

WHEREAS, the Planning Board has carefully reviewed the proposal and by this resolution does set forth its decision hereon.

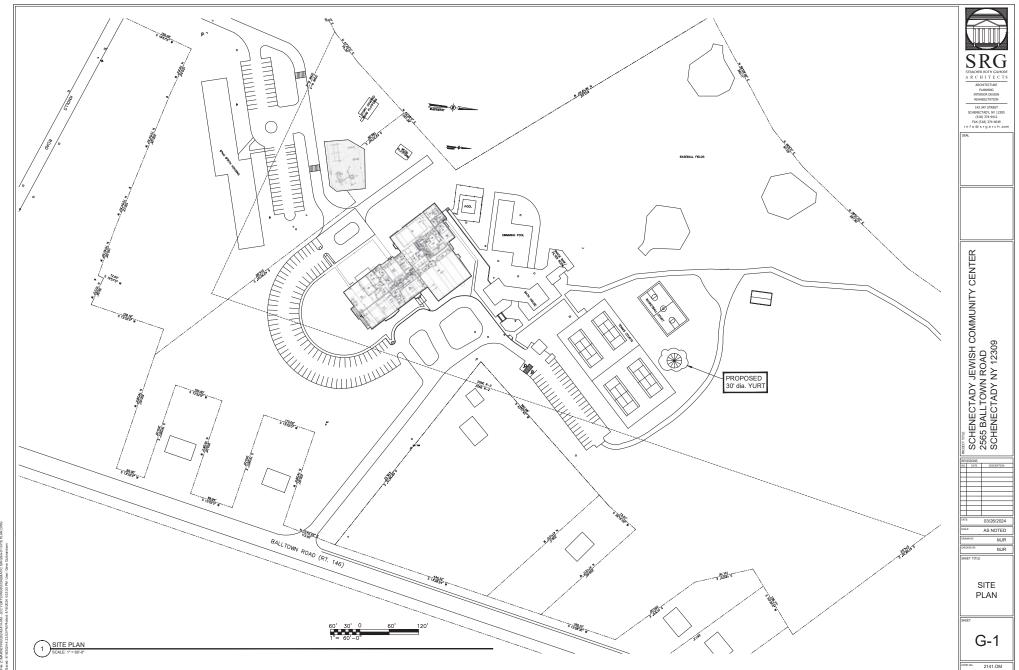
NOW THEREFORE, be it

RESOLVED, that this Planning Board and Zoning Commission finds that the site plan application referenced above meets the requirements of the Zoning Code and previous site plan approvals and hereby approves this site plan.

Upon roll call the foregoing resolution was adopted by the following vote:

KEVIN A. WALSH, CHAIRMAN GENGHIS KHAN CHRIS LAFLAMME DAVID D'ARPINO LESLIE GOLD NANCY STRANG SARAH BILOFSKY EHASUYI GOMES

The Chairman declared the same \_\_\_\_\_.





## **Suggested Platform Construction – 30' Yurt**

Being what we call a 'soft' structure, the yurt reacts more readily to climatic conditions than do 'rigid' structures, therefore it is important to choose your site carefully and take into account prevailing wind patterns, overhead tree limbs, water runoff, etc. In general, the best site would be protected from the wind, would receive morning sun and afternoon shade and be free from overhead objects such as large dead tree limbs that could damage the yurt in heavy winds. Plan your entry so that the doorway faces away from prevailing winds.

For a secure and comfortable installation, a well-built platform is necessary. To ensure a weather proof installation the platform needs to be circular and the same diameter as the yurt so the side cover fabric can extend below the interior floor level. This will provide a draft-free and watertight seal. Any exterior decking should be separated from, or at a lower level than the yurt platform. Unless you are skilled, enlist the help of an experienced carpenter for building the platform.

The following plans show the typical construction of the yurt platform and are a suggestion only. Keep in mind that every site will be different, so the platform construction and footings should reflect the conditions of each individual site. The site and soil conditions and local building requirements will dictate the footing size and depth below grade. Check with your local building department to determine if you will need an engineered design for permit.

#### Notes:

- 1. The total height of the drip edge should be at least 8" to protect the platform's beams. The bottom portion of the drip edge will be visible once the yurt is installed. It should be stained or painted to protect it and to match the exterior color scheme.
- 2. The 1" portion of the drip edge that extends above floor level will be visible on the inside and can be painted or stained to match the interior color scheme.
- 3. Plywood skirting (to prevent airflow beneath the floor) and a vapor barrier may also be desirable. Some building departments will require vent openings in the underfloor enclosure to prevent trapped moisture.
- 4. If you plan to connect the yurt to an existing building (or another yurt) be sure to allow a minimum of 12" between the existing building and your yurt platform. A covered walkway can be built to connect the two after the yurt is installed.
- **5.** Keep in mind that the fabric windows open from the outside. If you plan to have the platform elevated you should consider adding a catwalk or exterior decking for window access.
- **6.** If you plan to install a "floating" floor on your platform, please contact Pacific Yurts for recommendations on how to prepare the platform.

- **7.** When using the 2x6 T&G flooring be sure it is kiln dried and has a low moisture content to avoid gaps as the wood dries.
- **8.** Consider incorporating insulation between the beams maintaining 1" air space from the underside of your flooring. Pacific Yurts recommends using rigid foam insulation with reflective side facing upward, however it is also possible to use other insulation materials.



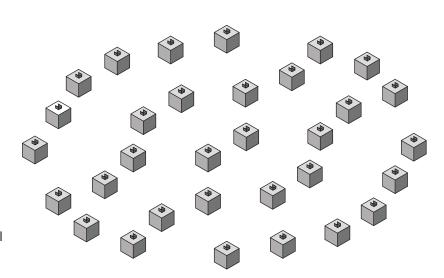


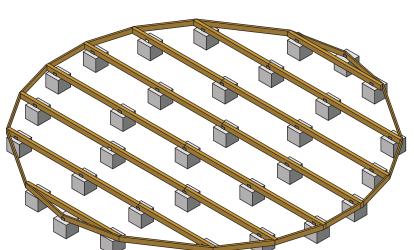
## **30' Platform Construction Overview**

**1.)** Lay out footings according to framing plan and level.

#### Notes:

- Poured concrete footings may be required. Consult a local contractor or engineer for proper determination and for local building requirements.
- If you purchase the Central Column option an additional footing will be necessary in the center of the platform.



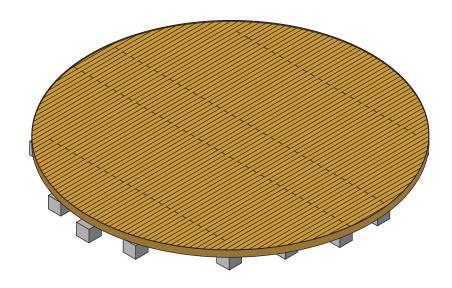


- **2.)** Cut beams to length, level them, and fasten onto footings.
- **3.)** Cut 2x6 perimeter blocking and fasten to beams.
- 4.) Install floor insulation (optional).

#### Notes:

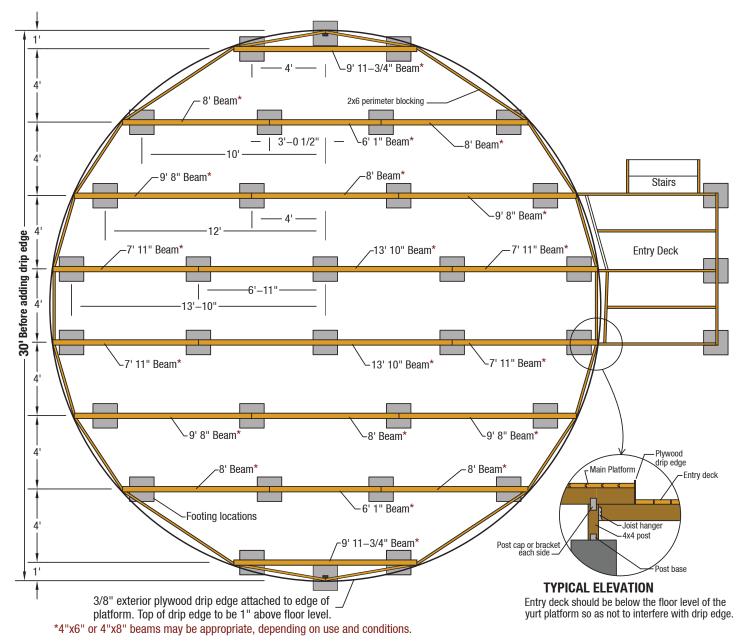
- Diagram assumes level site. On sloping terrain vertical support posts and cross bracing may be necessary.
- If 1–1/8" plywood flooring is used we recommend adding 2x6 blocking between beams (four feet on center).
- If you plan to purchase the cable tie—down option an extra block will be needed in the center of the platform.

- **5.)** Fasten flooring (1–1/8" plywood or 2x6 T&G) onto beams.
- **6.)** Cut flooring into a circle with diameter matching that of the yurt.
- 7.) Cut 3/8" exterior plywood (OSB is best for small yurts) into strips of desired width and fasten around perimeter of flooring so that 1" protrudes above floor level. This is the plywood drip edge.
- **8.)** Use caulking to provide a seal between flooring and drip edge.





## Typical 30' Platform Framing Plan

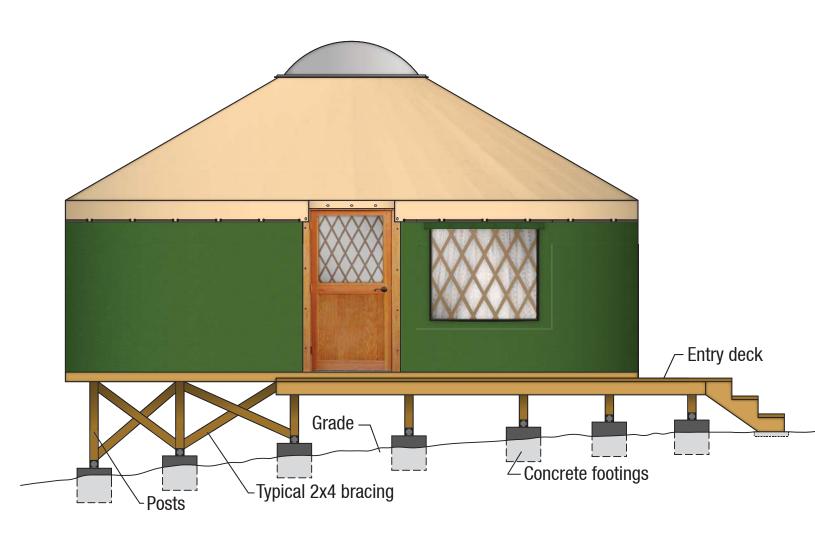


#### Notes

- 1.) Platform construction and footings should reflect conditions of each individual site and local building requirements.
- 2.) 2x6 T&G or 1-1/8" plywood flooring to be laid perpendicular to beams and trimmed to the same diameter as that of the yurt.
- 3.) 30' diameter measurement does not include the drip edge.
- 4.) Site and soil conditions and local building requirements will dictate footing size and depth below grade.
- 5.) Footings may need to be embedded in the ground to below the local frost depth, and should extend 6" above ground surface minimum.



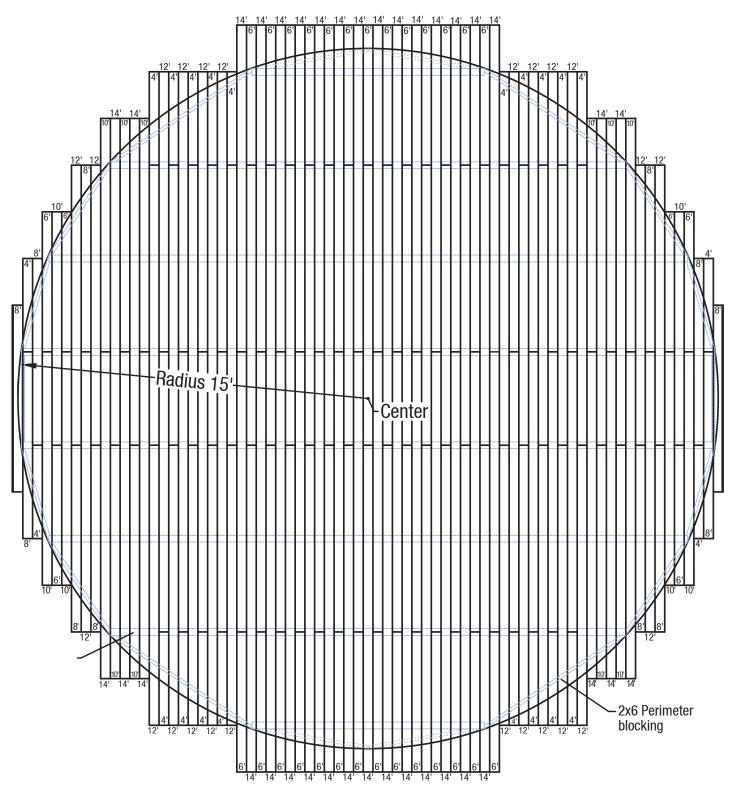
# **Typical Platform Elevation**



Note: Platform and footings should be designed according to the conditions of each individual site and local building requirements. Site and soil conditions will dictate footing size and depth below grade.



# 2x6 T&G Layout – 30' Yurt

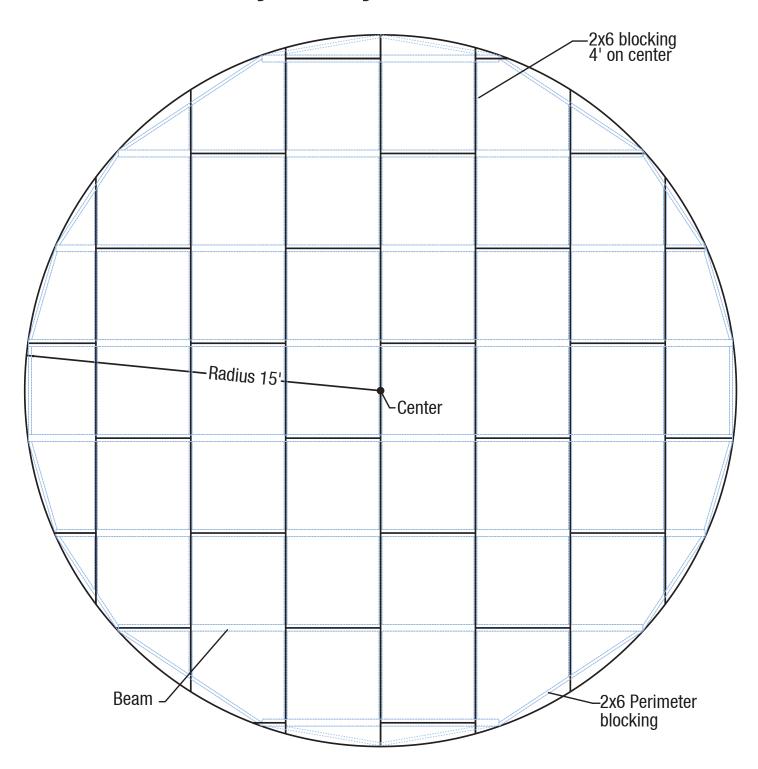


- **1.)** Make a compass using a board or non–stretch string and a nail at the center to mark radius.
- **2.)** Using a sharp circular saw carefully cut the platform to exactly 30 feet in diameter.

Note: 2x6 T&G is often used for open beam ceilings and may have a V-groove which should face down so as not to catch debris and make floor sweeping difficult.

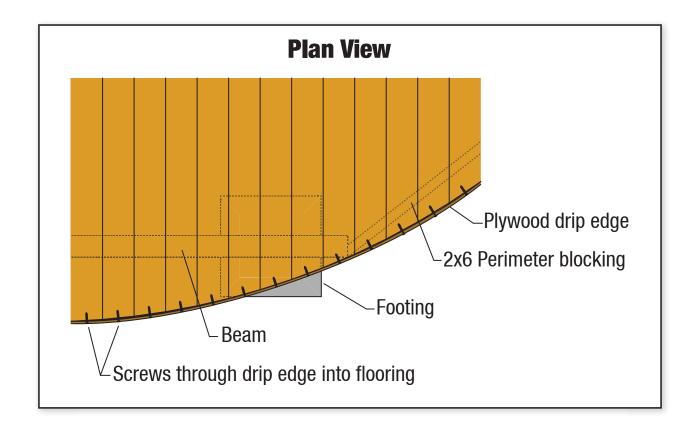


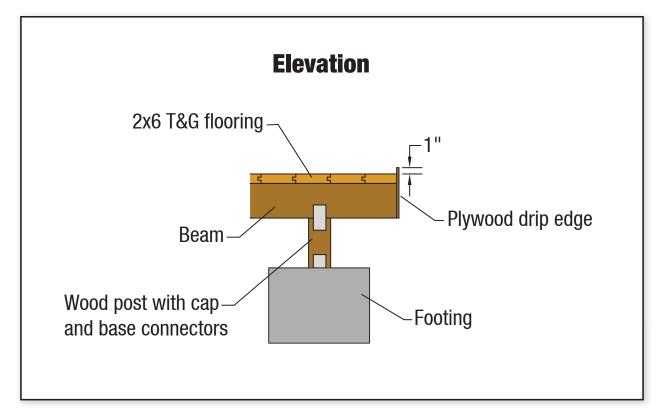
# Plywood Layout – 30' Yurt



- **1.)** Make a compass using a board or non–stretch string and a nail at the center to mark radius.
- **2.)** Using a sharp circular saw carefully cut the platform to exactly 30 feet in diameter.









## **30' Diameter Yurt Platform Materials List**

Note: This materials list represents the minimum amount of lumber required for a basic circular platform on flat level ground. It does not include any exterior deck/porch materials, insulation or footings. For sloped sites or to elevate the platform you will need to add posts and cross bracing.

Platform Materials (2x6 T&G Flooring Option)		
Material	Quantity	Use
2x6 Kiln Dried T&G 'Select Deck'	37 @ 14' 86 @ 12' 16 @ 10' 23 @ 8'	Platform Flooring
2x6 Standard & Better	6 @ 10' 5 @ 8'	Perimeter Blocking
4x6 or 4x8 Standard & Better	2 @ 14' 6 @ 10' 12 @ 8'	Beams
3/8" Exterior Plywood Siding (no groove)	3 Sheets (4 ' x 8 ')	Plywood Drip Edge

Platform Materials (1-1/8" Plywood Flooring Option)		
Material	Quantity	Use
1-1/8" T&G Plywood	24 Sheets (4' x 8')	Platform Flooring
2x6 Standard & Better	6 @ 10' 26 @ 8'	Blocking
4x6 or 4x8 Standard & Better	2 @ 14' 6 @ 10' 12 @ 8'	Beams
3/8" Exterior Plywood Siding (no groove)	3 Sheets (4' x 8')	Plywood Drip Edge



# **TOWN OF NISKAYUNA**

### PLANNING BOARD AND ZONING COMMISSION

### AGENDA STATEMENT

AGENDA ITEM NO. VII. 4	MEETING DATE: 4/29/2024
ITEM TITLE: RESOLUTION: 2024-16: A Resolution for lot 875 Stark Ave.	t line adjustment at 850 Oregon Ave. /
PROJECT LEAD: Ms. Gold	
APPLICANT: Ray Smith	
SUBMITTED BY: Laura Robertson	
REVIEWED BY:  Conservation Advisory Council (CAC)  Zoning Board  OTHER:	of Appeals (ZBA) $\square$ Town Board
ATTACHMENTS: ■ Resolution ■ Site Plan □ Map □ Report □ Other:	

#### **SUMMARY STATEMENT:**

Mr. Ray Smith, Mr. Timothy Stewart, Mr. Andrew Stewart and Ms. Joy Stewart Irr. Trust submitted an application for lot line adjustment to transfer a portion of the lot at 875 Stark Ave. to 850 Oregon Ave. The result will be more rectangularly shaped lots for both 875 Stark Ave and 850 Oregon Ave.

The Board reviewed the project at the 4/15/24 PB meeting and called for a resolution for approval for the 4/29/24 meeting. Several outbuildings were noted to be noncompliant relative to the zoning code but easily rectifiable. Mr. Smith agreed to work with the Building Department to resolve the issue via building permits prior to approval of the lot line adjustment.

### **COMPREHENSIVE PLAN**

No references to lot line adjustments or the configuration of lots were found in the 2013 Comprehensive Plan.

### **BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

The property is located in the R-2 Medium Density Residential zoning district.

Section 189-19 Lots A (2) states: "Shapes of lots shall lend themselves to utilization of entire lots as building and yard space. Shapes such as triangles and quadrangles with small included angles are discouraged." As proposed, the lot line adjustment makes both lots more rectangular in shape and has no adverse effect on neighboring properties.

<u>2/26/24 Planning Board (PB) meeting</u> – Chairman Walsh presented the application for a lot line adjustment to the Board. Ms. Robertson projected the sketch that was provided with the

application and explained the portion of land that would transfer from 875 Stark Ave. to 850 Oregon Ave. After a short discussion the Board stated that they agreed with the adjustment in principal but noted that a formal survey drawing showing the pre and post adjustment property layouts is required. Ms. Robertson told the Board that the Planning Office would reach out to Mr. Smith and work with him regarding the survey drawing.

Mr. Smith provided the Planning Office with a 2-page survey drawing as described below.

- 1. Page 1 depicts the current layout of the aforementioned lots and is entitled, "Lot Line Adjustment Plan Between the Lands of Raymond J. Smith & Joy P. Stewart Irrevocable Trust" by Ausfeld & Waldruff Land Surveyors L.L.P. dated 3/18/24 with a most recent revision date of 4/2/24.
- 2. Page 2 depicts the proposed post lot line adjustment layout of the aforementioned lots and includes the same drawing title and revision status as Page 1.

The Planning Office reviewed the drawings and noted a few errors regarding the identification and labeling of the lots. A previous letter noting the requirement for building permits and possible additional Zoning Board action for two unpermitted structures on the property is included but, provided the proper building permits are submitted, these structures do not affect the lot line adjustment. An email was sent to Mr. Smith on 4/5/24 requesting a revised version of the drawings prior to final approval.

<u>4/15/24 Planning Board (PB) meeting</u> – Mr. Smith attended the meeting and reviewed the application with the Board. He noted that his Engineer is making the updates that were requested to the survey drawing. The Board noted that some of the outbuildings identified on the drawing were nonconforming with the Zoning Code, however noted there are several ways to bring them into compliance. Ms. Robertson stated that she would work with Mr. Smith to review the options and have Building Permits submitted to bring the property into compliance. She stated none of the Code violations were impacted by the lot line adjustment but the Board should have them addressed prior to allowing any further action on the parcel.

The Board called for a resolution for lot line adjustment with a condition stating the outbuildings must be brought into compliance with the Zoning.

A resolution for lot line adjustment is included in the meeting packet.

### RESOLUTION NO. 2024-16

AT A REGULAR MEETING OF THE PLANNING BOARD AND ZONING COMMISSION OF THE TOWN OF NISKAYUNA DULY CALLED AND HELD ON THE 29TH DAY OF APRIL 2024 AT THE NISKAYUNA TOWN OFFICE BUILDING, ONE NISKAYUNA CIRCLE, IN SAID TOWN AT 7:00 P.M., THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS WERE PRESENT VIRTUALLY OR IN PERSON:

HONORABLE: KEVIN A. WALSH, CHAIRMAN

GENGHIS KHAN CHRIS LAFLAMME DAVID D'ARPINO LESLIE GOLD NANCY STRANG SARAH BILOFSKY EHASUYI GOMES

One of the purposes of the meeting was to take action on an application for a lot line adjustment.

The meeting was duly called to order by the Chairman.	
The following resolution was offered by,	
whom moved its adoption, and seconded by	

WHEREAS, Ray Smith and Timothy Stewart, Mr. Andrew Stewart and Ms. Joy Stewart Irr. Trust, property owners of 850 Oregon Ave and 875 Stark Ave, respectively, have made application to the Planning Board for a lot line adjustment between the two properties as noted in a 2-page survey drawing entitled, "Lot Line Adjustment Plan Between the Lands of Raymond J. Smith & Joy P. Stewart Irrevocable Trust" by Ausfeld & Waldruff Land Surveyors L.L.P. dated 3/18/24 with a most recent revision date of 4/15/24, and

WHEREAS, the zoning classification of the property is R-2: Medium Density Residential, and

WHEREAS, the Planning Board has determined that the proposed lot line adjustments are classified as a Type II action under State Environmental Quality Review (SEQR) regulations and local law, and no further SEQR review is necessary, and

WHEREAS, the Board has carefully reviewed the proposal and by this resolution does set forth its decision hereon,

### NOW, THEREFORE, be it hereby

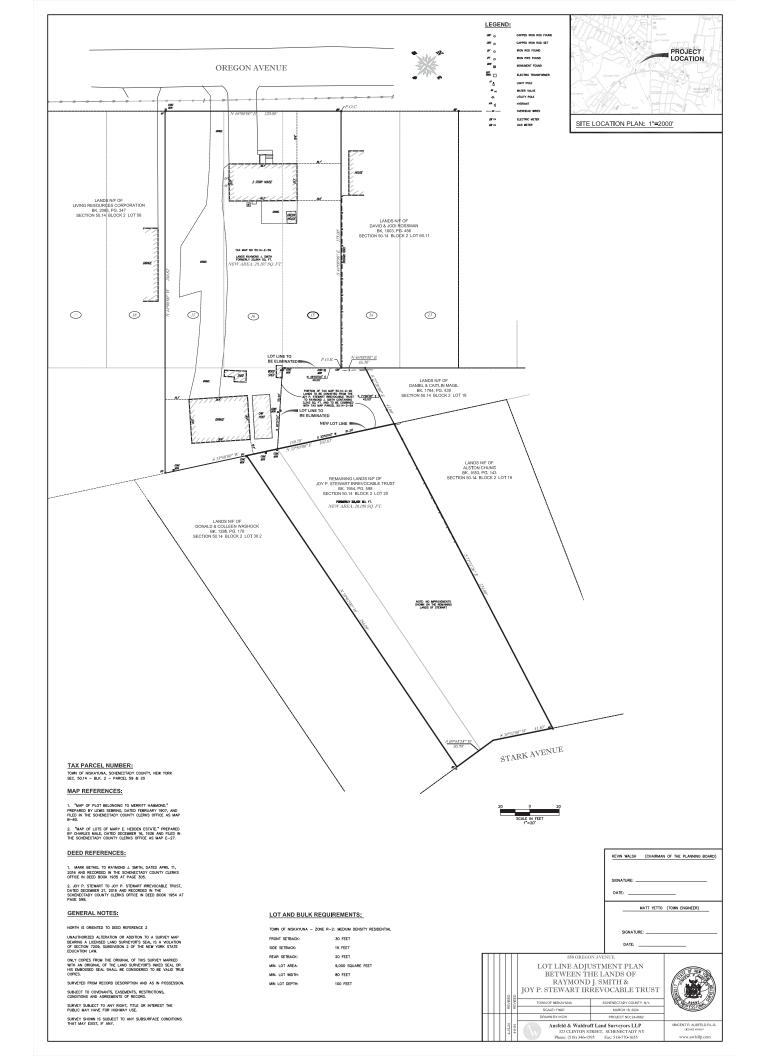
RESOLVED, that the Planning Board and Zoning Commission does hereby grant final lot line adjustment approval for 850 Oregon Ave. and 875 Stark Ave. as shown on the aforementioned 2-page survey drawing, with the following conditions:

- 1. Prior to recording the plat, the applicant residing at 850 Oregon Ave shall obtain valid building permits from the Town of Niskayuna Building Department that bring all existing accessory structures on the property into compliance with the Niskayuna Zoning Code.
- 2. Prior to recording the plat the final lot line adjustment map and associated deed shall be sent to the Planning Department for their review and approval. Any changes, additions or deletions requested shall be addressed to the satisfaction of the Planning Department before printing the mylars.

Upon roll call the foregoing resolution was adopted by the following vote:

KEVIN A. WALSH, CHAIRMAN GENGHIS KHAN CHRIS LAFLAMME DAVID D'ARPINO LESLIE GOLD NANCY STRANG SARAH BILOFSKY EHASUYI GOMES

The Chairman declared the same \_\_\_\_\_.





## **TOWN OF NISKAYUNA**

### PLANNING DEPARTMENT

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## LOT LINE ADJUSTMENT REVIEW

April 24, 2024

Ray Smith 850 Oregon Ave Niskayuna, NY 12309

RE: Application for Lot Line Adjustment: 850 Oregon Ave and 875 Stark Ave

Dear Applicant,

The Town of Niskayuna received a Lot Line Adjustment application for the Lands of Raymond J. Smith (850 Oregon Ave) and Joy P. Stewart Irrevocable Trust (875 Stark Ave). The Planning Department has reviewed the submitted plan and determined that this Lot Line Adjustment is in conformance with the Town's Zoning Ordinance and can go before the Planning Board for approval, subject to the completion of two Building Permits to bring the currently existing accessory structures into compliance with the Zoning Code on the property.

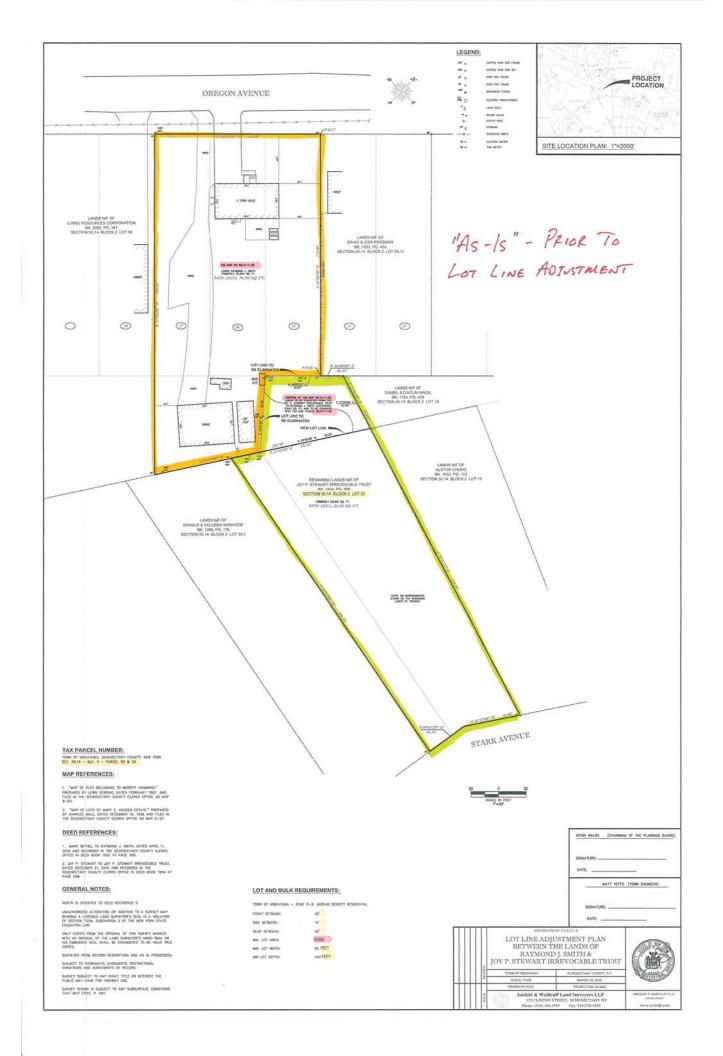
The Town of Niskayuna has scheduled your Lot Line Adjustment to go before the Planning Board and Zoning Commission on April 29, 2024.

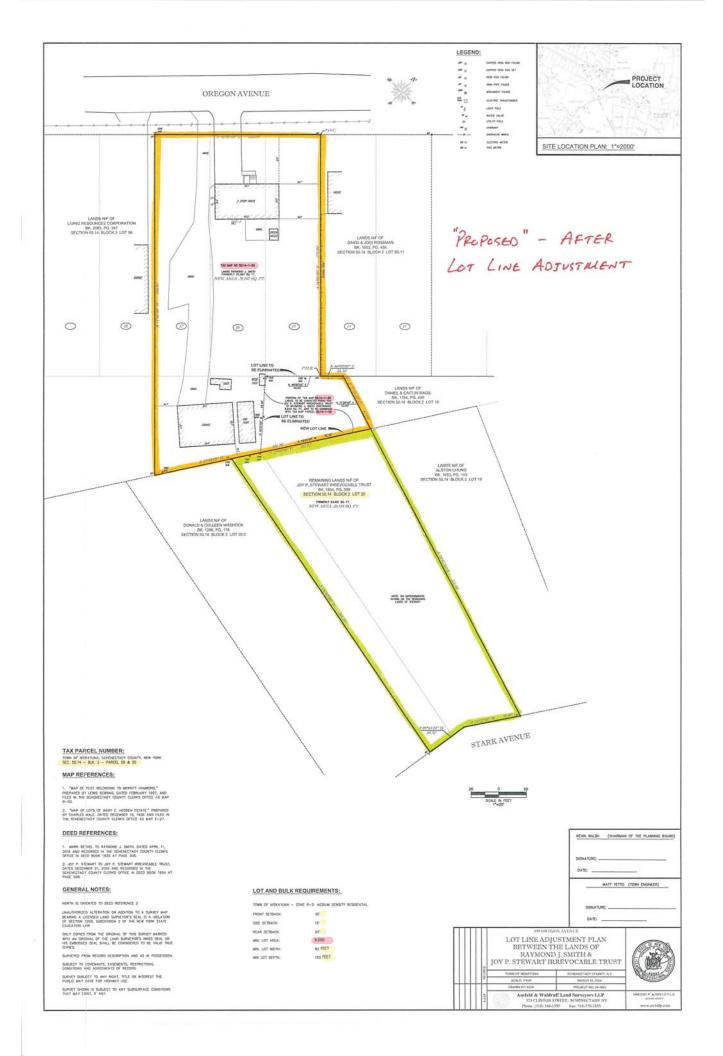
Prior to recording the plat, please draft a deed for the portion of land being deeded from Joy P Stewart Irrevocable Trust to Raymond J. Smith. This <u>must</u> be recorded with the lot line adjustment in Schenectady County. It is recommended that you also create a single deed for each adjusted parcel, but this is not required.

Should you have any questions you can contact me at (518) 386-4531 or by email at <a href="mailto:lrobertson@niskayuna.org">lrobertson@niskayuna.org</a>.

Laura Robertson Town Planner

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# **TOWN OF NISKAYUNA**

### PLANNING BOARD AND ZONING COMMISSION

### **AGENDA STATEMENT**

AGENDA ITEM NO. VII. 5	MEETING DATE: 4/29/2024
ITEM TITLE: RECOMMENDATION: A Recommendation to the Plan Review for new signage requiring an area variance at 25 PROJECT LEAD: Ms. Strang & Mr. Khan	
APPLICANT: Tom Wheeler, agent	
SUBMITTED BY: Laura Robertson	
<b>REVIEWED BY:</b> □ Conservation Advisory Council (CAC) □ Zoning Board of A□ OTHER:	Appeals (ZBA) $\square$ Town Board
ATTACHMENTS:  ☐ Resolution ■ Site Plan ☐ Map ☐ Report ■ Other: Recon	nmendation to the ZBA

#### **SUMMARY STATEMENT:**

Tom Wheeler of AJ Signs, agent for the owner, submitted an application for new signage for the façade facing Balltown Rd. of the medical office building at 2546 Balltown Rd. Current signage for the building consists of a multi-panel freestanding sign near Balltown Rd. There currently is no façade signage.

The property lies within the R-P Residential and Professional zoning district. Medical office buildings are special principal uses in the district.

Mr. Wheeler confirmed that his client would like to pursue variances from the ZBA for the size, materials and lighting of a façade sign. The next step for the Planning Board is to make a recommendation to the ZBA regarding an 8.1 sq. ft. size variance (16.1 - 8 = 8.1), a material variance (acrylic) and lighting (internally illuminated) variance. The denial letter was provided on 4/19/24. On 4/23/24 the applicant informed the Planning Office that the cardiology office includes an urgent care cardiology walk-in clinic and they would like to pursue a variance for the 36 sq. ft façade sign as originally proposed.

### **COMPREHENSIVE PLAN**

The current (2013) Comprehensive Development Plan does not include references to signage.

### **BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

A 2-page drawing set entitled, "St Peters Health Partners, Cardiology Associates, Balltown Road, Niskayuna" by A&J Sign Co. dated 10/17/22 with no subsequent revisions was provided with the application.

Column 7 Permitted Signs of Schedule I-H for the R-P zoning district includes the following,

§ 220-22

"For nonresidential uses:

- 1. 1 wall sign per principal building, which shall be attached to the building and shall not protrude more than 1 foot from the building face. Such a sign shall be a single-face sign and **shall not exceed 8 square feet in area**.
- 2. 1 freestanding sign...
- 3. All signs shall be approved by the Planning Board for size, construction and lighting. In general, the following standards shall apply: <u>sign surfaces shall be of wood or masonry construction, with painted or raised messages</u>; the number of separate colors on a sign shall be limited to 2 plus white; and sign lighting shall be limited to direct external lighting."

Article V Supplementary Regulations § 220-22 does not grant the Planning Board the authority to waive any of the specific requirements of the section.

As proposed, the aforementioned 2-page drawing set depicts a 36 sq. ft. (144"  $\times$  36") internally illuminated façade sign fabricated from aluminum and acrylic. Therefore, a variance of 28 sq. ft. of sign area (36 – 8) for a 36 sq. ft. sign, a variance for an internally illuminated sign and a variance for a sign constructed of acrylic and aluminum are required.

### Reference Property Also Located in the R-P District

1769 Union St. – Albany Med. Urgent Care building – received a variance from the ZBA for a total of 285 sq. ft. of facade signage in 2017.

<u>3/11/24 Planning Board (PB) meeting</u> – Tom Wheeler of AJ Signs attended the meeting and presented the project to the Board. A discussion followed. The PB challenged the need for a façade sign for one of the individual businesses in the multi-business medical office building. The Planning Office and Planning Board concurred that the proposed panel for the monument sign at the street was acceptable upon approval of a building permit (no PB action required). The Board asked Mr. Wheeler to share their concerns regarding the façade sign with his client.

Mr. Wheeler provided the Planning Office with a revised (smaller) version of the sign. The proposed size of the sign was reduced from 36 sq. ft. to 16.1 sq. ft.

<u>4/15/24 Planning Board (PB) meeting</u> – Mr. Wheeler attended the meeting and explained that St. Peter's Health and Cardiology Associates of Schenectady would like to request relief from the zoning code for the 16.1 sq. ft. sign as designed / constructed and illuminated in the aforementioned drawings. The Planning Office and Planning Board Chairman stated that the

proposed replacement panel for the monument sign is acceptable and can move to approval via a building permit with the Building Department. Ms. Robertson stated that the Building and Planning Office will provide a denial letter to Mr. Wheeler for the façade sign. She informed him that his next step is to submit an application to appear before the ZBA. The Planning Office provided a denial letter on 4/19/24.

<u>4/17/24 Architectural Review Board (ARB) meeting</u> – The ARB reviewed the application during their regularly scheduled videoconference. Their suggestion is to follow the industry accepted wayfinding practice of using building facades to assist motorists in identifying the address of the building. Once inside the building wall display cabinets and other forms of internal signage are typically used to locate businesses. They suggested using a large "2546" sign on the façade rather than the proposed tenant signage.

<u>4/23/24</u> The applicant emailed the Planning Office stating that St. Peter's Health and Cardiology Associates of Schenectady contains an urgent care cardiology walk-in clinic. They indicated they would prefer to pursue an area variance for the 36 sq. ft. wall sign that was originally proposed. They requested that the denial letter from the Planning Office be modified accordingly.

At the 4/29/24 PB meeting the board should review the proposal for a 36 sq. ft. façade sign and make a recommendation on the proposal to the ZBA.



# Town of Niskayuna MEMORANDUM

TO: File

FROM: Laura Robertson, Town Planner

DATE: April 29, 2024

RE: 2546 Balltown Rd. - St. Peter's Health - Cardiology Associates of

Schenectady

At a regular Planning Board and Zoning Commission (PB) meeting held on April 29, 204, the PB reviewed the appeal by Tom Wheeler, agent for St. Peter's Health Medical Associates – Cardiology Associates of Schenectady, of 2546 Balltown Rd. for a variance from Schedule I-H Column 7 (1) and of Schedule I-H Column 7 (3) of the Niskayuna Zoning Code. The property is located in the R-P Residential and Professional Zoning District.

Schedule I-H Column 7 (1) states for nonresidential uses, one (1) wall sign is allowed per principal building, which shall be attached to the building and shall not protrude more than one (1) foot from the building face. Such a sign shall be a single-face sign and shall not exceed eight (8) square feet in area. As proposed, there is one (1) wall sign measuring 16.1 sq. ft. Therefore, a variance for 8.1 sq. ft. of sign area is required.

Schedule I-H Column 7 (3) states for nonresidential uses, all signs shall be approved by the Planning Board for size, construction and lighting. In general, the following standards shall apply: sign surfaces shall be of wood or masonry construction, with painted or raised messages; the number of separate colors on a sign shall be limited to 2 plus white; and sign lighting shall be limited to direct external lighting. As proposed, there is one (1) wall sign constructed of aluminum and acrylic with internal illumination. Therefore, a variance for a wall sign constructed of aluminum and acrylic with internal illumination is required.

The Planning Board made the following recommendations:

Effect on the Comprehensive Plan -

Suitability of Use -

**RECOMMENDATION -**

# **Exterior Wall Sign**

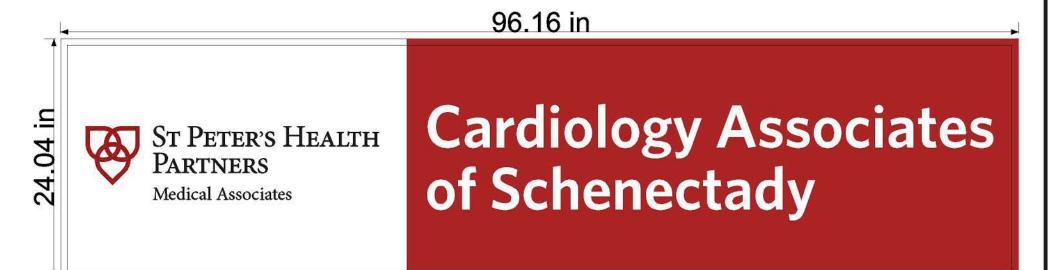
Qty: (1) Single Sided

Materials:TBD

Colors: 3630 Dark Red

7125 Black







842 Saratoga Road Burnt Hills, NY 12027 (518) 399-9291 AJSigns.com Client: St Peters Health Partners Project: Cardiology Associates Location: Balltown Road, Niskayuna

Customer Approval: \_\_\_\_\_ Landlord Approval (If Required): \_\_ Date:\_\_\_\_ \_ Date:\_\_\_\_ File Name: e40154

Salesperson: Tom Wheeler Designer: Liesel Socoloski

Date: 10/17/22

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# TOWN OF NISKAYUNA BUILDING DEPARTMENT

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Kenneth P. Hassett Building Inspector

#### **BUILDING AND ZONING PERMIT DENIAL**

Address: 2546 Balltown Rd. Application Date: 3/7/24

Thomas Wheeler AJ Sign Company 842 Saratoga Rd. Burnt Hills, NY 12027

Dear Mr. Wheeler:

You are hereby notified, as required by Section 220-67 F of the Zoning Ordinance of the Town of Niskayuna, that your Application for Site Plan Approval for a façade sign has been denied by reason of failure to comply with the provisions of Schedule I-H Column 7 (1) and of Schedule I-H Column 7 (3) of the Niskayuna Zoning Code. The property is located in the R-P Residential and Professional Zoning District.

Schedule I-H Column 7 (1) states for nonresidential uses, one (1) wall sign is allowed per principal building, which shall be attached to the building and shall not protrude more than one (1) foot from the building face. Such a sign shall be a single-face sign and shall not exceed eight (8) square feet in area. As proposed, there is one (1) wall sign measuring 16.1 sq. ft. Therefore, a variance for 8.1 sq. ft. of sign area is required.

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Under the provisions of Section 220-69 the Zoning Ordinance of the Town of Niskayuna you may appeal this decision to the Zoning Board of Appeals and the undersigned within 60 days.

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Laura Robertson, Deputy Code Enforceme	nt Officer $\Gamma$	ate



### **TOWN OF NISKAYUNA**

#### PLANNING BOARD AND ZONING COMMISSION

#### **AGENDA STATEMENT**

AGENDA ITEM NO. VII. 6	MEETING DATE: 4/29/2024
ITEM TITLE: RECOMMENDATION: A Recommendation for Plan Review for new signage requiring a variance at 1769 to PROJECT LEAD: Ms. Strang & Mr. Khan	• •
APPLICANT: Jamey Colaruotolo, agent	
SUBMITTED BY: Laura Robertson	
REVIEWED BY:  ☐ Conservation Advisory Council (CAC) ☐ Zoning Board of OTHER:	of Appeals (ZBA) $\square$ Town Board
ATTACHMENTS:  ☐ Resolution ■ Site Plan ☐ Map ☐ Report ■ Other: ZBA	A Recommendation

#### **SUMMARY STATEMENT:**

Jamey Colaruotolo of Vital Signs and Graphics, agent for the owner, submitted an application for new façade signage for the façade facing Union St. of the Albany Med medical office building at 1769 Union St. The Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA) granted signage variances at their March 15, 2017 meeting as described below.

The property lies within the R-P Residential and Professional zoning district. Medical office buildings are special principal uses in the district.

The Planning Board reviewed the proposed signage at their 4/15/24 meeting. The Architectural Review Board (ARB) reviewed and discussed the application at their 4/17/24 meeting. The ARB's advice is to utilize the industry accepted practice of using building facades to help identify the street address of the building rather than tenants within the building. The PB and Planning Office agreed to proceed with drafting a denial letter to the applicant so they could proceed with an application to the ZBA requesting the appropriate variances.

#### **COMPREHENSIVE PLAN**

The current (2013) Comprehensive Development Plan does not include references to signage.

#### **BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

A 1-page drawing entitled, "1769 Union Street, Niskayuna, NY, Capital Cardiology" by Vital Sign & Graphics dated 2/22/24 with no subsequent revisions was submitted to the Planning Office on 4/1/24.

Column 7 Permitted Signs of Schedule I-H for the R-P zoning district includes the following,

§ 220-22

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#### ZBA variance dated 3/15/17

Zoning Code Section	Sign Type	Requirement	Approved Variance	Approved Total
220-22 A (3)	Directional	3 sf area, max 4 ft height, max	3.25 sf 1 ft	6.25 sf 5 ft
220-22 A (12)	Address	12 sf area, max 6 ft height, max	None required "Over 6 ft"	None required Over 6 ft
Schedule I-H Column 7 (1)	Wall sign	1 max, 8 sf or less	5, 285 sf	6, 293 sf 11.66 sf 51 sf 152.34 sf 36 sf 36 sf 6 sf
Schedule I-H Column 7 (2)	Freestanding	1, 15 sf & 8' H, max	70 sf, 2' H	85 sf, 10' H

Address signs may be lit 24 hours a day

Any lit wall signs will be turned off between 11 P.M. and 5:30 A.M.

The freestanding sign will not be lit between 11 P.M. and 5:30 A.M.

As proposed, the aforementioned 1-page drawing set depicts one (1) 292" w x 52" h (105.4 sq. ft.) internally illuminated façade sign fabricated from aluminum and acrylic. Therefore, variances are required for the following:

- one (1) additional wall sign with internal illumination constructed of aluminum and acrylic
- 105.4 sq. ft. of additional wall sign area
- Resulting in a total of seven (7) wall signs totaling 398.4 sq. ft. with internal illumination, constructed of acrylic and aluminum.

Article V Supplementary Regulations § 220-22 does not grant the Planning Board the authority to waive any of the specific requirements of the section.

<u>4/15/24 Planning Board (PB) meeting</u> – Mr. Colaruotolo attended the meeting and presented the project to the Board. The Board reviewed the current table of signage variances for the property. Ms. Robertson outlined the next steps for the project: a denial letter from the Planning Office for the proposed new sign followed by an application to appear before the ZBA by Mr. Colaruotolo. The Board discussed the advantages and disadvantages of additional façade signage on the building.

<u>4/17/24 Architectural Review Board (ARB) meeting</u> – The ARB reviewed the application during their regularly scheduled videoconference. Their suggestion is to follow the industry accepted wayfinding practice of using building facades to assist motorists in identifying the address of the building. Once inside the building wall display cabinets and other forms of internal signage are typically used to locate businesses. They suggested using a large "1769" sign on the façade rather than the proposed tenant signage.

The next step for the Planning Board is to make a Recommendation to the ZBA regarding the variances.



# Town of Niskayuna MEMORANDUM

TO: File

FROM: Laura Robertson, Town Planner

DATE: April 29, 2024

RE: 1769 Union St. - Capital Cardiology Associates

At a regular Planning Board and Zoning Commission (PB) meeting held on April 29, 204, the PB reviewed the appeal by Jamey Colaruotolo, agent for Capital Cardiology Associates of 1769 Union St. for a variance from Schedule I-H Column 7 (1) and of Schedule I-H Column 7 (3) of the Niskayuna Zoning Code. The property is located in the R-P Residential and Professional Zoning District.

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Schedule I-H Column 7 (3) states for nonresidential uses, all signs shall be approved by the Planning Board for size, construction and lighting. In general, the following standards shall apply: sign surfaces shall be of wood or masonry construction, with painted or raised messages; the number of separate colors on a sign shall be limited to 2 plus white; and sign lighting shall be limited to direct external lighting. As proposed, there is one (1) additional wall sign constructed of aluminum and acrylic with internal illumination. Therefore, a variance for one (1) wall sign of aluminum and acrylic with internal illumination is required.

The Planning Board made the following recommendations:

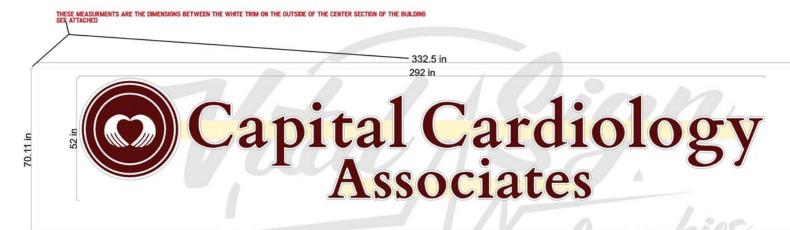
Effect on the Comprehensive Plan -

Suitability of Use -

**RECOMMENDATION -**



# 1769 UNION STREET, NISKAYUNA NY CHANNEL LETTERS/LOGO MOUNTED ON COLOR MATCHED RACEWAY INSTALLED ON BUILDING







/hank you!

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Kenneth P. Hassett Building Inspector

#### **BUILDING AND ZONING PERMIT DENIAL**

Address: 1769 Union St. Application Date: 3/7/24

Jamey Colaruotolo Vital Sign and Graphics 251 Saratoga St. Cohoes, NY

Dear Mr. Colaruotolo:

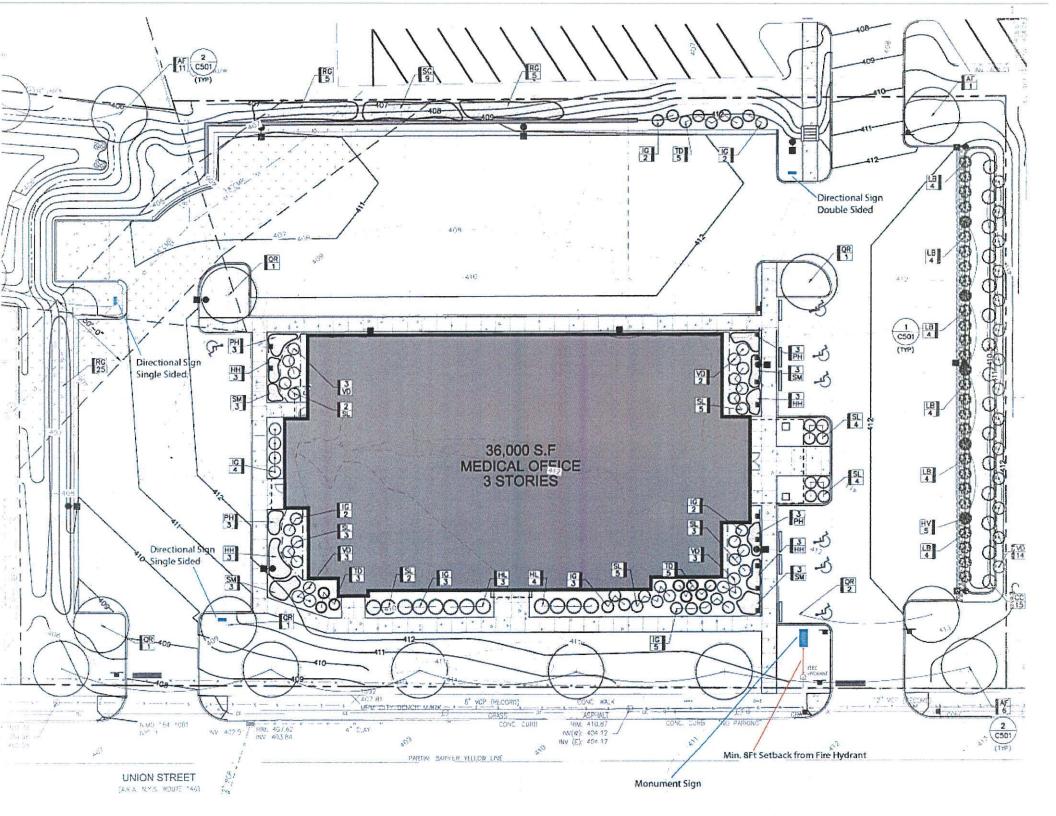
You are hereby notified, as required by Section 220-67 F of the Zoning Ordinance of the Town of Niskayuna, that your Application for Site Plan Approval for a façade sign has been denied by reason of failure to comply with the provisions of Schedule I-H Column 7 (1) and of Schedule I-H Column 7 (3) of the Niskayuna Zoning Code. The property is located in the R-P Residential and Professional Zoning District.

Schedule I-H Column 7 (1) states for nonresidential uses, one (1) wall sign is allowed per principal building, which shall be attached to the building and shall not protrude more than one (1) foot from the building face. Such a sign shall be a single-face sign and shall not exceed eight (8) square feet in area. At the March 15, 2017 Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA) meeting the Board granted a variance for five (5) additional wall signs, a two (2) foot projection variance for a blade sign and a variance for 285 sq. ft. of façade sign area. As proposed, there is one (1) additional wall sign measuring 105.4 sq. ft. Therefore, a variance for one (1) wall sign and a variance for 105.4 sq. ft. of sign area are required.

Schedule I-H Column 7 (3) states for nonresidential uses, all signs shall be approved by the Planning Board for size, construction and lighting. In general, the following standards shall apply: sign surfaces shall be of wood or masonry construction, with painted or raised messages; the number of separate colors on a sign shall be limited to 2 plus white; and sign lighting shall be limited to direct external lighting. As proposed, there is one (1) additional wall sign constructed of aluminum and acrylic with internal illumination. Therefore, a variance for one (1) wall sign of aluminum and acrylic with internal illumination is required.

Under the provisions of Section 220-69 the Zoning Ordinance of the Town of Niskayuna you may appeal this decision to the Zoning Board of Appeals and the undersigned within 60 days.

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Laura Robertson	n. Deputy Code Enforcement Officer	Date





# **ENTRANCE**

Sign Type A:

Quantity 1 ea. Overall: 11.66 Sq Ft

-LED Internally Illuminated Channel Letters

with Lexan Sign Faces Decorated with Translucent Film

-Face Color: White w/ 3M 3630 Blue Translucent Film

-Trim Cap Color: Pepsi Blue

-Return Color: Pepsi Blue



#### Sign Type E:

Quantity 1 ea. Overall: 51 Sq Ft

-LED Internally Illuminated Channel Letters

with Lexan Sign Faces Decorated with Translucent Film

-Face Color: White w/ 3M 3630 Blue Translucent Film

-Trim Cap Color: White

-Return Color: White



Sign Type D-C3: Quantity Lea. Overall: 98 Sq Ft

#### "Albany Med EmUrgentCare"

-LED Internally Illuminated Channel Letters with Lexan Sign Faces Decorated with Translucent Film

-Face Color: White w/ 3M 3630 Blue, 73 Dark Red

-Trim Cap & Return Color: Pepsi Blue, Red

#### "a partnership with"

-"a partnership with" to be 1/4" plate cut aluminum, non-illuminated letters. Stud Mounted to Building

#### "CapitalCare"

-LED Internally Illuminated Channel Letters

with Lexan Sign Faces Decorated with Translucent Film

-Face Color: White w/ Green 3M Film

-Trim Cap & Return Color: White



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842 NY-50 Burnt Hills, NY 12027

Client | Albany Medical Center Project | Union Street Medical Location J 1769 Union Street Niskayuna, NY

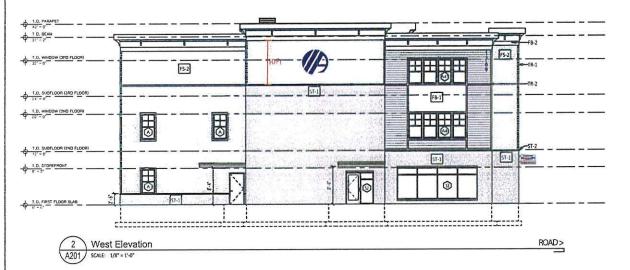
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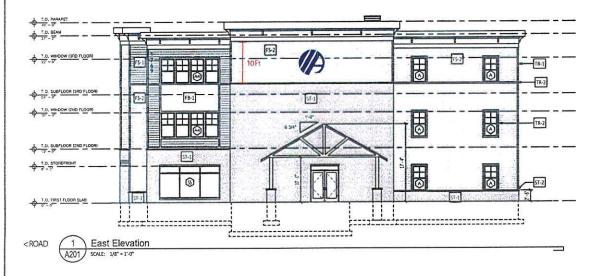
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Sign Type F6:

Quantity 2 ea. Overall: 36 Sq Ft

-Non-Illuminated Fabricated Aluminum Action A Logical

Decorated with High Performance Film

-Satin Paint Finish in White

-High Performance Vinyl Match to 3M 3630 Blue



Sign Type G:

Quantity 1 ea.

Overall: 6 Sq Ft

-Blade Mounted Directional Sign. LED Internally Illuminated.
Fabricated Aluminum with Push-Thru. Acrylic "EmUrgentCare" and
\*<- Entrance" to Illuminate, All Other Letters/Logos to be INP Vinyl.

-Paint/Colors: TBD

1<sup>1</sup>3.5" 7

Sign Type B2:

Quantity 2 ea.

Overall: 5.5 Sq Ft

-Building Address Numbers LED Internally Illuminated Channel Letters with Lexan Sign Faces Decorated with Translucent Film

-Face Color: White w/ 3M 3630 Blue Translucent Film

-Trim Cap Color: White

-Return Color: White



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842 NY-50 Burnt Hills, NY 12027 Client | Albany Medical Center Project | Union Street Medical Location | 1769 Union Street Niskayuna, NY

File Name | Union Street Medical - East West Elevation Signage REVISED Salesperson | Bridgette Shoemaker | Designer | BKS | Date | 01/30/17

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**EmUrgentCare Directional Typical of Qty 3 EmUrgentCare Directional Signs** Single Sided - Quantity 2 ea. Overall: 6.25 Sq Ft Double Sided - Quanity 1 ea. Overall: 6.25 Sq Ft -Non-Illuminated Custom Fabricated Aluminum Signs - All Aluminum Constuction on 3" Steel Post(s), Direct Buried in Grass/Soil - "EmUrgentCare" and Arrow Graphic to be Reflective Cut Vinyl -Paint Colors/Finished TBD Non-Illuminated EmUrgentCare Directional ALBANY MED Signs - Enlarged to Show Detail EmUrgentCare
in partnership with ACapitalCare 30" Plate Aluminum Sign Faces with **Reflective Graphics** 3" Square Post(s) Wrapped in Aluminum Skirting File Name | Union Street Medical - Proposed Freestanding Signage .
Salesperson | Bridgette Shoemaker | Designer | BKS | Date | 12/28/16 Client | Albany Medical Center Project | Union Street Medical Location | 1769 Union Street Niskayuna, NY Customer Approval | Date |



Landlord Approval (If Required)

#### TOWN OF NISKAYUNA ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS One Niskayuna Circle

One Niskayuna Circle Niskayuna, New York 12309 (518) 386-4530

March 21, 2017

AJ Signs 842 Saratoga Road Burnt Hills, NY 12027

Dear AJ Signs:

At its regularly scheduled meeting held on March 15, 2017, the Board reviewed the following case:

The appeal of AJ Signs (agent), 842 Saratoga Road, Burnt Hills, New York, for variances from Section 220-22 A (3) & (12) and Schedule I-H Column 7 (1) & (2) of the Zoning Ordinance of the Town of Niskayuna for the installation of a sign package for the medical office building at 1769 Union Street. The property is located in the R-P: Residential Professional Zoning District.

**Section 220-22 A (3)** states that directional signs, such as entrance, exit, etc., shall be of a size not to exceed three (3) square feet and not to exceed four (4) feet in height above the existing grade. As proposed, the directional signs are 6.25 square feet and five (5) feet in height. Therefore, a variance of 3.25 square feet in size and a variance for one (1) foot in height are required for each directional sign (3 total).

It was the decision of the board to grant the variances as written.

Section 220-22 A (12) states that address signs shall not exceed twelve (12) square feet in area or six (6) feet in height above the average grade at its location. As proposed, the address signs are over six (6) feet above the average grade. Therefore, a variance to allow the signs to be placed over six (6) feet above grade is required for each address sign (2 total).

It was the decision of the board to grant the variances as written. For clarification, the address signs may be lit 24 hours a day.

**Schedule I-H, Column 7 (1)** states for nonresidential uses, one (1) wall sign is allowed per principal building, which shall be attached to the building and shall not protrude more than one (1) foot from the building face. Such a sign shall be a single-face sign and shall not exceed eight (8) square feet in area. As proposed, there are six (6) wall signs including: one (1), 11.66 square foot "Entrance" sign, one (1), 51 square foot "Albany Med" sign, one (1), 152.34 square foot "EmUrgent Care" sign, two (2), 36 square feet "flying A" signs and one (1), six (6) square foot blade mounted directional sign perpendicular to the entrance door. Therefore, a variance for five



(5) additional wall signs, a two (2) foot projection variance for the blade sign and a variance for 285 square feet of facade sign area are required.

It was the decision of the Board to grant the variances with the following conditions:

1) Any lit signs will be turned off between 11 P.M. and 5:30 A.M.

Schedule I-H, Column 7 (2) allows one (1) freestanding sign, which shall be a ground sign whose entire bottom shall be in contact with or in close proximity (within two (2) feet) to the ground. Such a sign shall not exceed fifteen (15) square feet in area and eight (8) feet in height above the average grade at its location. As proposed, the sign is 85 square feet and ten (10) feet high. Therefore, a 70 square foot variance is required for size and a two (2) foot variance is required for height.

It was the decision of the Board to grant the variances with the following conditions:

1) The sign will not be lit between 11 P.M. and 5:30 A.M.

Sincerely,

Fred Goodman Chairman

cc:

Town Clerk

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**Building Department** 

ZBA File



### **TOWN OF NISKAYUNA**

#### PLANNING BOARD AND ZONING COMMISSION

#### AGENDA STATEMENT

AGENDA ITEM NO. VIII. 1	MEETING DATE: 4/29/24
ITEM TITLE: DISCUSSION: 2301 Nott St. E. – TD Bank – Ar new signage.	n application for site plan review for
PROJECT LEAD: TBD	
APPLICANT: Thomas Wheeler, agent	
SUBMITTED BY: Laura Robertson	
REVIEWED BY:  Conservation Advisory Council (CAC)  OTHER:	Appeals (ZBA) $\square$ Town Board
ATTACHMENTS:  ☐ Resolution ■ Site Plan ☐ Map ☐ Report ☐ Other:	
SUMMARY STATEMENT:	
Thomas Wheeler, of AJ Signs, submitted an application for si existing signage at TD Bank located at 2301 Nott St. E.	ite plan review to update the

The property lies within the C-N Neighborhood Commercial zoning district and Town Center Overlay District.

This is the applicant's first meeting with the Planning Board to present and review the project.

#### **COMPREHENSIVE PLAN**

The proposed action complies with the current (2013) Comprehensive Development Plan for the Town.

#### **BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

1. A 10-page drawing package from "Atlas, Branding the World" located in West Palm Beach, FL dated 3/19/24 was included with the application.

The table shown below compares the existing signs "E01 – E06" to their corresponding proposed signs "S01 - S08" as shown in the 10-page drawing package in terms of type, size & waiver required.

Old Sign	Sign Type	Sign Size	Code Requirement	Frontage	New Sign	Sign Type	Sign Size	Description of Waiver Required
E01	Monument panel		NA	NA	S07	Monument panel	NA	NA
E02	Façade "TD"	17.6	220-48.4 Schedule I-D 1 sign per façade 1 sq. ft per liner ft. of frontage not to exceed 50 sq. ft.	50 ft.	S01	Façade "TD"	TD 13.7 sf Bank 7.1 sf	2 signs on 1 façade 70% of sign area - TD logo
E03	Façade "TD"	17.6	n	50 ft.	S02	Façade "TD"	28 sf	70% of sign area - TD logo
NA	NA	NA	II II	65 ft.	S03	Façade "TD"	13.7 sf	70% of sign area - TD logo
E04	Directional: TD, Enter Drive Thru	2 sf 3 ft high	220-22 A (3) 3 sq. ft., 4 ft. high		S04	Directional: TD, Enter Drive Thru	3.0 sf 4 ft high	None
E05	Directional: TD, Drive-Thru, ATM	2 sf 3 ft high	220-22 A (3) 3 sq. ft., 4 ft. high		\$05	Directional: TD, Drive-Thru, ATM	3.0 sf 4 ft high	None
E06	Directional: Exit	2 sf 3 ft high	220-22 A (3) 3 sq. ft., 4 ft. high		S06	Directional: Exit	3.0 sf 4 ft high	None
NA	NA	NA	NA		S08	Directional: TD Bank	1.1 sf	None

#### Sign S01

- Replaces Sign E02
- Requires a waiver for 2 signs on one façade
  - o The TD logo with the green background is considered 1 sign
  - o The word "Bank" is considered a second sign
- Requires a waiver for a sign with a logo of more than 30% of the sign area
  - o The TD logo with the green background is more than 30% of sign area.

#### Sign S02

- Replaces Sign E03
- Requires a waiver for a sign with a logo of more than 30% of the sign area
  - The TD logo with the green background is more than 30% of sign area

#### Sign S03

- Is a new sign previously there was no sign on this façade
- Requires a waiver for a sign with a logo of more than 30% of the sign area
  - o The TD logo with the green background is more than 30% of sign area

#### Signs S04, S05, S06 & S08

• All signs are code compliant

The applicant is before the board this evening to present the application and address any questions that arise.



## **TOWN OF NISKAYUNA**

One Niskayuna Circle Niskayuna, New York 12309-4381

Phone: (518) 386-4530

# **Application for Site Plan Review**

Applicant (Owner or Agent):	Location:
Name ATSIGNS	Number & Street 2301 NoTTS+E
Address Sta Saratogard Burnthills U412027	Section-Block-Lot 40 1-17.21
Email Kristen@AJSighsicom	
Telephone 51839 99291 Fax 5186880179	Zoning District
Proposal Description:	
SOI Replace existing TD Logowit	the newcian Thomas
502 Add new TD Logo 103 Add new TD Logo	- Nutis Larger than theold TD Logo
Signature of applicant:	Date: 4/9/24
Signature of owner (if different from applicant):	A 9034
Date: 4 16 24	outhorced agent for Niskayuna Shopping Center, LLC





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Dear Customer:	
Dear Customet.	
This letter is required in order for Atlas to apply for perm It must be signed by an authorized officer (or owner) of years.	
Thank you.	
1: Julie Bashant P	roperty Owner or agent of:
2301 Nott Street East, Niskayuna, N	NY 12309
Address	
Do hereby give permission to Jeffery Adinolfe with Atlas S of NC LLC, Atlas Sign Industries, Atlas Sign Industries FLA, applications, submit & pick-up permits and erect signage	LLC or any of their agents to sign permit at the above address on our behalf.
Julie Bashant - authorized agent for	or Niskayuna Shopping Center. L
Property Owner or Agent (Please type or print)	3 19 24
Signature of Property Owner or Agent	Date
P.O. Box 965 Latham, Ny 12110 Mailing Address	
<u>518-869-0792</u> Telephone Number	
This instrument was acknowledged before me this 9 th	Day of March , 2022.
	Notary Public (Signature)
COLE HARVEY CARNER NOTARY PUBLIC, STATE OF NEW YORK Registration No. 01CA6430491	Cole Harvey Carner Notary Public (Printed Name)
Qualified in Rensselaer County Commission Expires MARCH 14, 2026	Personally Known
Commission 2	Produced Identification

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#### Site Plan and Code

#### Code

#### Wall Signs:

For each linear foot of building frontage, 1 square foot of sign area shall be permitted. Such sign shall only be attached to the building face and shall not protrude more than 1 foot from the building face and shall be a\ single-face sign. Where uses are joined by a common wall, such sign area shall not be combined into a common sign area. Under no circumstances shall any 1 sign exceed 50 square feet.

Sign	Proposed Sign	Qty	SQ FT
S01	Face Lit Channel Letters	1	34.05
502	IL Shield	1	27.86
S03	IL Shield	1	13.8
504	Non IL Directional	1	2.99
S05	Non IL Directional	1	2.99
S06	Non IL Directional	1	2.99
507	Monument	1	-
S08	NIL Directional	1	-
509	Parking Signs	2	









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2301 Nott Street East

#### **Face Lit Channel Letters**

#### Action

- \* Remove Existing Non IL wall sign and LED Light bar.
- · Patch, repair, and paint area.
- · Manufacture and install (1) face lit channel letterset.

#### Description:

- TD Shield construction to be aluminum returns with white acrylic faces secured with trimcap. Vinyl to be applied to logo faces with TD Copy to be exposed face material.
- · Letterset and logo cabinet to be illuminated with white LEDs.
- · Logo to be mounted flush to wall with non corrosive fasteners.
- · Letters to be mounted with nylon spacers.

#### Material & Color:

Logo and Letter Vinyl: 3M 3630-5741 Light Green Translucent Vinyl (First Surface)
Entire Logo and Letter Faces to be laminated with 3M 3660M

Logo and Letter Returns: MP65220 R165605 TD Light Green (Satin Finish)

Logo and Letter Trim Cap: MP65220 R165605 TD Light Green (Satin Finish)

Logo and Letter Faces: 7328 White Acrylic

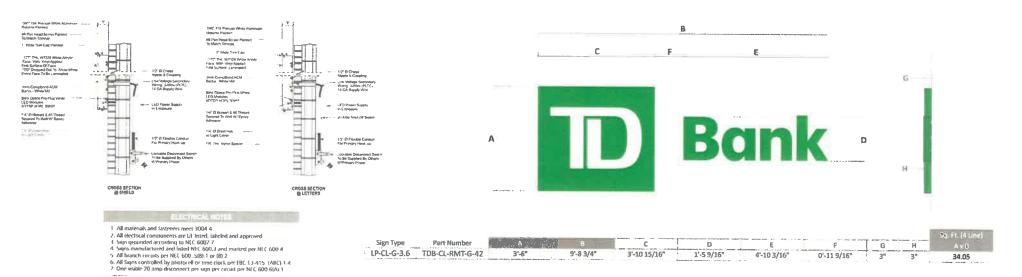
Logo and Letters Illumination: White LED



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# Illuminated Shield (3) illuminated sides

#### Action:

- \* Remove Existing Non IL wall sign and LED Light bar.
- · Patch, repair, and paint area.
- Manufacture and install (1) 3 illuminated sided internally Illuminated wall cabinet flush to fascia.

#### Description:

- · Face, left and right side faces are illuminated.
- · Acrylic faces to be assembled with adhesive and acrylic rods.
- · Left and right sides of Face to be secured to aluminum retainers.
- · Top and bottom of sign to be capped with aluminum.
- · Faces to have TD light green vinyl applied first surface.
- · Entire face to be laminated with 3M 3660M Laminate.

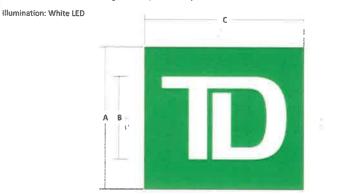
#### Material & Color:

Vinyl: 3M 3630-5741 Light Green Translucent Vinyl (First Surface)

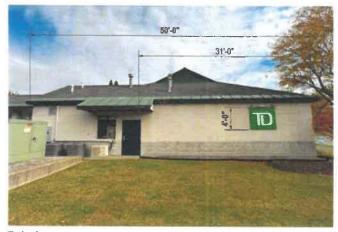
Entire face to be laminated with 3M 3660M

Face: 7328 White Acrylic

Paint : MP65220 R165605 TD Light Green (Satin Finish)



Sign Type	Part Number	A	В	C	D	Sq. Ft.
3SS-5-LP	TD-3S-RMT-60	5'-0"	2'-10 15/16"	5'-7 1/16"	4"	27.86



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# Illuminated Shield (3) illuminated sides

#### Action:

- Manufacture and install (1) 3 illuminated sided internally Illuminated wall cabinet flush to fascia.
- GC to cut larger access hatch and run electrical.

#### Description:

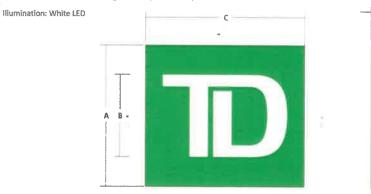
- · Face, left and right side faces are illuminated.
- · Acrylic faces to be assembled with adhesive and acrylic rods.
- · Left and right sides of Face to be secured to aluminum retainers.
- · Top and bottom of sign to be capped with aluminum.
- · Faces to have TD light green vinyl applied first surface.
- · Entire face to be laminated with 3M 3660M Laminate.

#### Material & Color:

Vinyl: 3M 3630-5741 Light Green Translucent Vinyl (First Surface)
Entire face to be laminated with 3M 3660M

Face: 7328 White Acrylic

Paint: MP65220 R165605 TD Light Green (Satin Finish)



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Sign Type	Part Number	A	В	è	D	Sq. Ft.
35S-3.6-LP	TD-3S-RMT-42	3'-6"	2'-0 1/2"	3'-10 15/16"	4"	13.8





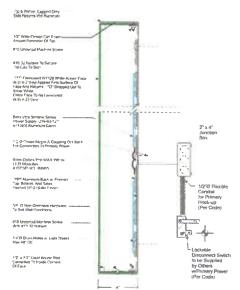
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#### Non Illuminated Directional

#### Action:

- \* Remove existing directional.
- · Manufacture and install new DF directional sign.

#### Description:

- Directional to be of 2" x 2" aluminum tube frame with aluminum skin painted to match Cloak Gray.
- · Vinyl graphics to be applied to face.
- · All fasteners to be countersunk screws and painted to match sign.
- · Sign to be direct buried in concrete footing.

Vinyl: 3M 5000-10 Scotchlite Reflective White

#### Material & Color:

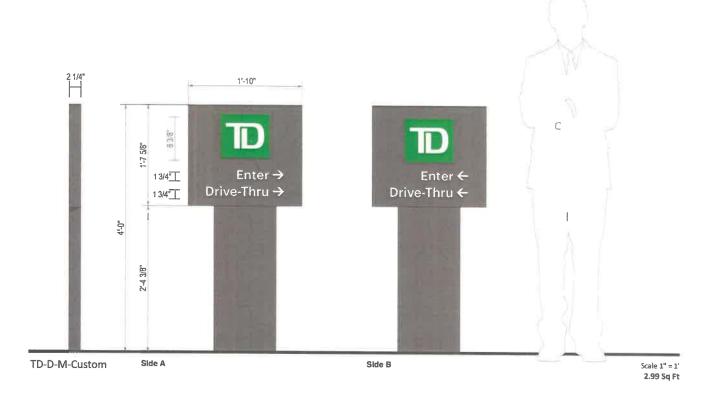
Paint: SW6278 Cloak Gray (Satin Finish)



Vinyl: 3M IJ680-10 Scotchlite Reflective Film to match PMS 361C With 3M MCS approved injet inks



Existing directional to be removed





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#### Non Illuminated Directional

#### Action:

- · Remove existing directional.
- · Manufacture and install new DF directional sign.

#### Description:

- · Directional to be of 2" x 2" aluminum tube frame with aluminum skin painted to match Cloak Gray.
- · Vinyl graphics to be applied to face.
- · All fasteners to be countersunk screws and painted to match sign.
- · Sign to be direct buried in concrete footing.

#### Material & Color:

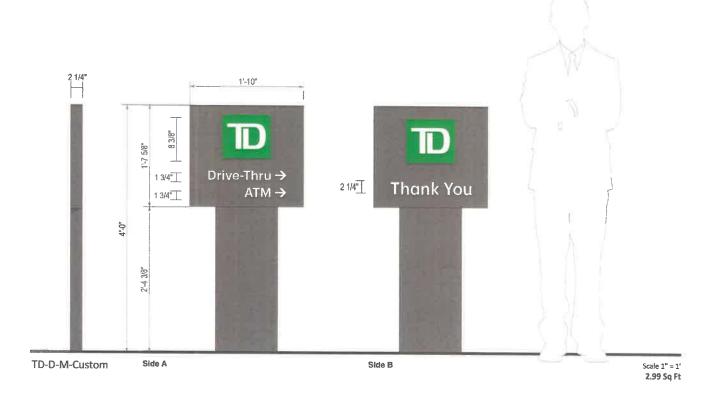
Paint: SW6278 Cloak Gray (Satin Finish)



Vinyl: 3M IJ680-10 Scotchlite Reflective Film to match PMS 361C With 3M MCS approved injet inks



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#### Non Illuminated Directional

#### Action:

- · Remove existing directional.
- · Manufacture and install new DF directional sign.

#### Description:

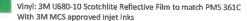
- Directional to be of 2" x 2" aluminum tube frame with aluminum skin painted to match Cloak Gray.
- · Vinyl graphics to be applied to face.
- · All fasteners to be countersunk screws and painted to match sign.
- · Sign to be direct buried in concrete footing.

#### Material & Color:

Paint: SW6278 Cloak Gray (Satin Finish)

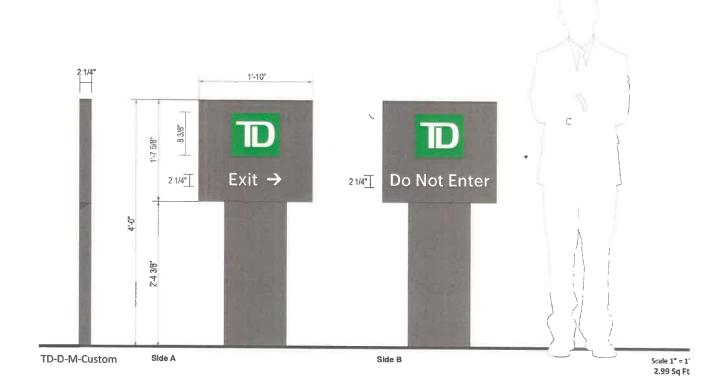


Vinyl: 3M 5000-10 Scotchlite Reflective White





Existing directional to be removed





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#### **Monument | Tenant Vinyl**

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- \* Remove (2) vinyl from existing panels. Clean and remove any residue.
- Manufacture and install (2) new vinyl graphics to existing panels.
   Vinyl Color to be verified in field.

#### Description:

· Translucent vinyl applied first surface to existing face.

#### Material & Color:

Vinyl: TBD (First Surface)



Existing Proposed





Scale 3" =1'-0"



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Drawing

#### **Directional | Vinyl Overlay**

Action:

• Manufacture and install (1) vinyl overlay for existing single sided directional sign

Material & Color:

Vinyl: 3M 3630-5741 Light Green Translucent Vinyl (First Surface)

Vinyl: 3M 3630-61 Slate Gray Translucent Vinyl (First Surface)

Entire Face to be laminated with 3M 3660M











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Address 2301 Nott Street East Niskayuna, NY 12309

Drawing Number

#### 2301 Nott St. E. TD Bank

Old Sign	Sign Type	Sign Size	Code Requirement	Frontage	New Sign	Sign Type	Sign Size	Description of Waiver Required
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E01	Monument panel		NA	NA	S07	Monument panel	NA	NA
E02	Façade "TD"	17.6	220-48.4 Schedule I-D 1 sign per façade 1 sq. ft per liner ft. of frontage not to exceed 50 sq. ft.	50 ft.	S01	Façade "TD"	TD 13.7 sf Bank 7.1 sf	2 signs on 1 façade 70% of sign area - TD logo
E03	Façade "TD"	17.6	11	50 ft.	S02	Façade "TD"	28 sf	70% of sign area - TD logo
NA	NA	NA	11	65 ft.	S03	Façade "TD"	13.7 sf	70% of sign area - TD logo
E04	Directional: TD, Enter Drive Thru	2 sf 3 ft high	220-22 A (3) 3 sq. ft., 4 ft. high		S04	Directional: TD, Enter Drive Thru	3.0 sf 4 ft high	None
E05	Directional: TD, Drive-Thru, ATM	2 sf 3 ft high	220-22 A (3) 3 sq. ft., 4 ft. high		S05	Directional: TD, Drive-Thru, ATM	3.0 sf 4 ft high	None
E06	Directional: Exit	2 sf 3 ft high	220-22 A (3) 3 sq. ft., 4 ft. high		S06	Directional: Exit	3.0 sf 4 ft high	None
NA	NA	NA	NA		S08	Directional: TD Bank	1.1 sf	None



### **TOWN OF NISKAYUNA**

#### PLANNING BOARD AND ZONING COMMISSION

#### **AGENDA STATEMENT**

AGENDA ITEM NO. VIII. 2	MEETING DATE: 4/29/2024
ITEM TITLE: DISCUSSION: 2333 Nott St. E. – Market 3 for a tenant change including new signage.	32 – An application for site plan approval
PROJECT LEAD: Leslie Gold	
APPLICANT: Kelly O'Neill, agent for the owner	
SUBMITTED BY: Kelly O'Neill, agent for the owner	
<b>REVIEWED BY:</b> ☐ Conservation Advisory Council (CAC) ☐ Zoning Boar ☐ OTHER:	rd of Appeals (ZBA) $\square$ Town Board
ATTACHMENTS:  ☐ Resolution ☐ Site Plan ☐ Map ☐ Report ☐ Other:	

#### **SUMMARY STATEMENT:**

Kelly O'Neill submitted a site plan application for a tenant change to a Market 32 grocery store at 2333 Nott St. E. The site was previously a Shop Rite grocery store until approximately 12/1/23.

At the 1/8/24 Planning Board (PB) meeting, the applicant agreed to pursue approval of signage for the Market 32 store independently from tenant change approval. At their regularly scheduled meeting on 1/22/24 the PB granted the tenant change with PB Resolution 2024-04. Please refer to the agenda statement for the 1/22/24 PB meeting for all background information regarding that action.

An updated signage package was received and reviewed by the Planning Office resulting in the comments included herein.

#### **COMPREHENSIVE PLAN**

The proposed application complies with the Economic Development section, beginning on page 73, of the 2013 Niskayuna Comprehensive Plan.

#### **BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

The property is located in a Planned Development District (PDD) within the C-N Neighborhood Commercial zoning district and Town Center Overlay District (TCOD). Grocery stores are allowable uses in the PDD.

The following documents were provided with the site plan application.

- 1. A 15-page drawing set entitled "Price Chopper P North (SR) Niskayuna, 2333 Nott Street East, Niskayuna, NY 12309 US" by Saxton Sign Corp dated 4/26/24 with no subsequent revisions.
- 2. A 1-page drawing entitled, "Exterior Building Elevations Painting and Signage Scope of Work" by Price Chopper, Golub Corporation, Engineering Department 461 Nott St. Schenectady, NY12308 dated 4/26/24 with no subsequent revisions.

#### RELEVANT SECTIONS OF THE ZONING CODE

- Schedule I-D Column 7 Permitted Signs states, "For each linear foot of building frontage, 1 square foot of sign area shall be permitted...Under no circumstances shall any 1 sign exceed 50 square feet."
- Section 220-22 A (3) states, "Directional signs, such as entrance, exit, etc., shall be of a size not to exceed three square and not to exceed four feet in height above the existing grade of the street unless specified in this chapter."
- Section 220-48.4 E (9) states, "Number of signs. A maximum of one façade sign per use is permitted, except that a use fronting on two streets may have one sign for each building front..."

#### SUMMARY OF PLANNING OFFICE SIGNAGE REVIEW

#### Top level comparison

The Planning Office analyzed the signage proposed for the Market 32 at 2333 Nott St. E. relative to signage approved for the previous tenant at that address (Shop Rite), and the existing signage at the Market 32 on Balltown Rd. in Mohawk Commons. A table showing the frontage, number of façade signs on the main façade and the total sign area for each location is included below.

Name	Address	Frontage (ft.)	No. of Façade Signs (main façade)	Total Sign Area (sq. ft.)
Market 32	2333 Nott St. E.	281	13	223.28
Shop Rite	2333 Nott St. E.	281	7	152.95
Market 32	Balltown Rd. MC	343	13	257.82

#### Description of proposed sign waivers for Market 32 at 2333 Nott St. E.

A. Façade Signs – a total of 13 façade signs are proposed resulting in the need for 13 variances as shown in the table below.

No.	Description	Size (sq. ft.) South Elevation (Nott St.)	Size (sq. ft.) Plaza Corner Monument (Nott St.)	Size (sq. ft.) Plaza Corner Monument (Balltown)	Schedule I-D Column 7 Variance Required (sign area)	Schedule I-D Column 7 Variance Required (sign > 50 sq. ft.)	Section 220-48.4 E (9) Variance Required (number of signs)
1a	Market 32 Place			44.71			
1b	Market 32 Place		44.71				
2	Market 32	124.50				74.5 sq. ft.	
3	Grocery Pickup	9.72					1
4	Dairy	3.50					1
5	Recycling Center	11.18					1
6	Bakery	4.50					1
7	Deli	2.27					1
8	Butcher	4.80					1
9	Seafood	4.80					1
10	Foodfare	5.30					1
11	Florist	4.40					1
12	Welcome	40.25					1
13	Produce	5.40					1
14	Café	2.66					1
	TOTAL	223.28	44.71	44.71	0	1	12

#### Market 32 is requesting the following waivers

- o A waiver for 13 new façade signs on the South (Nott St.) façade
- A waiver for 74.5 sq. ft. of sign area for the Market 32 façade sign measuring 124.50 sq. ft. on the South (Nott St.) façade
- o A waiver allowing 6 directional signs measuring 6 ft. above grade

The Planning Board should review and discuss the requested signage waivers relative to the reference data included on the following page.

#### **BACKGROUND / REFERENCE APPROVALS**

#### Shop Rite Signage – Approved 7/26/11

- Approximate building frontage = 281'
- Approximate square footage of façade signage / linear ft. of building frontage = 0.54
- Waiver granted allowing 152.95 sq. ft. of total façade signage (waiver of 102.95 sq. ft.)
- Waiver granted allowing 7 façade signs (waiver of 6 façade signs)
- Waiver granted allowing 82.4 sq. ft. of Shop Rite Script façade sign (waiver of 32.4 sq. ft.)

	Sign Name	Size (sq. ft.)	Waiver (sq. ft.)
1	Bottle Return	11.25	
2	Circle logo	15.9	
3	Entrance	7.5	
4	Shop Rite script (reduced from 140.1 sq. ft.)	82.4	82.4 - 50 = 32.4
5	Circle logo	15.9	
6	Pharmacy department within	12.5	
7	Entrance	7.5	
Total		152.95	152.95 – 50 = 102.95

#### Market 32 Signage – Mohawk Commons Store (C-S Shopping Center Commercial District)

- Approximate building frontage = 343'
- Approximate square footage of façade signage / linear ft. of building frontage = 0.75
- Waiver granted allowing 11 façade signs on the front façade (waiver of 10 façade signs)
- Waiver allowing a 175.6 sq. ft. façade sign (125.6 sq. ft. waiver)
- Waiver allowing 257.82 total sq. ft. of façade signage (207.82 sq. ft. waiver)
- Waiver allowing a 118.125 sq. ft. sign (68.125 sq. ft. waiver)

	Sign Name	Size (sq. ft.)	Waiver (sq. ft.)
1	Market	175.6	125.6 (175.6 – 50)
2	Welcome	22.45	
3	Florist	4.4	
4	Butcher	4.8	
5	Dairy	3.5	
6	Seafood	4.8	
7	Produce	5.4	
8	Bakery	4.5	
9	Deli & Cheese	7.5	
10	Food Fare	5.3	
11	Pharmacy +	19.57	
Total		257.82	207.82 (257.82-50)
12	Market (West)	118.125	68.125 (118.125-50)
Total		118.125	



### **TOWN OF NISKAYUNA**

One Niskayuna Circle Niskayuna, New York 12309-4381

Phone: (518) 386-4530

# **Application for Site Plan Review**

<u>Applicant (Owner or Agent)</u> :	<u>Location</u> :
Name Scorton Sign Corp	Number & Street 2333 NOTT ST
Address <u>1320</u> 159	Section-Block-Lot
Costleton, NY 12033	
Email DRATZE SAXTON SIGN. C	mo
Telephone <u>518-754-2026</u> Fax	Zoning District
Proposal Description:	
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of Price chapper to Mar	(Let 32
Signature of applicant:	Date: 4 3 24
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Signature of owner (if different from applica	nt):
Date: 4324	
Date. 4/5/50	Received
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#### Each site plan application shall be accompanied by:

- 1. Digital copies in pdf format of all application forms and supporting documents.
- 2. A digital copy in pdf format and three (3) full size copies of any large scale plans or maps prepared by a licensed engineer, architect or surveyor.
  - a. The site plan shall include the following: the title of the drawing, including the name(s), address(es), phone and fax numbers of the applicant and the name address, phone and fax number of the person, firm or organization preparing the map.
  - b. The North point, date and scale.
  - c. Boundaries of the property.
  - d. Existing watercourses and direction of existing and proposed drainage flow.
  - e. The location of all proposed site improvements; proposed water and utility facilities; a description of the method of sewage disposal and location of such facilities; the location of all proposed signs; and location of proposed areas of vegetation.
- 2. A digital copy in pdf format of a lighting plan showing the lighting distribution of existing and proposed lights, specifications, photometric data, and catalog cuts of the proposed fixture(s) which meet the requirements of Article VIIIB of the Zoning Ordinance of the Town of Niskayuna entitled "Guidelines for Lighting of Outdoor Areas under Site Plan Review".
- 3. One (1) copy of the short or long Environmental Assessment Form (EAF), as required by 6NYCRR Part 617, "State Environmental Quality Review", and Chapter 95, "Environmental Quality Review" of the Code of the Town of Niskayuna.
- 4. If the application is being made by someone other than the current property owner, the applicant or the agent for the applicant must provide proof that they are authorized to pursue this site plan approval. Such proof may be in the form of a contract for sale or letter by the current owner that the applicant/agent is authorized to proceed with this application.
- 5. Administration Fees: An application for site plan approval shall be submitted to the Planning Board at least ten (10) business days prior to a regular meeting of the Planning Board. Each petition shall be accompanied by a minimum fee of \$200.00 plus an additional fee based on the square footage of new building construction. Fees are payable to the Town of Niskayuna.
- 6. Consulting Fees: The cost incurred by the Town for the review of an application by the Town Engineer, consulting engineering firm or other consulting fees, in connection with a Board's review of a proposed application shall be charged to the applicant. The Board to whom the application is made shall obtain an estimate from any designated consultant of the amount sufficient to defray the cost of such services and shall collect from the applicant the estimated charges. Any portion of the estimated charges so collected, which are not expended by the Town, shall be returned to the applicant. Any such costs incurred by the Town beyond the estimated charges initially collected from the applicant, shall be collected from the applicant prior to final action upon the application.



From:

Thomas Lee, Price Chopper Design Project Manager

The exterior building signage and pylon sign as shown in the attached drawing as produced by Saxton Signs is approved by Thomas Lee, Design Project Manager. On behalf of Price Chopper/Market 32, I hereby give Saxton Sign permission to obtain the signage permit.

Thomas Lee

Design Project Manager

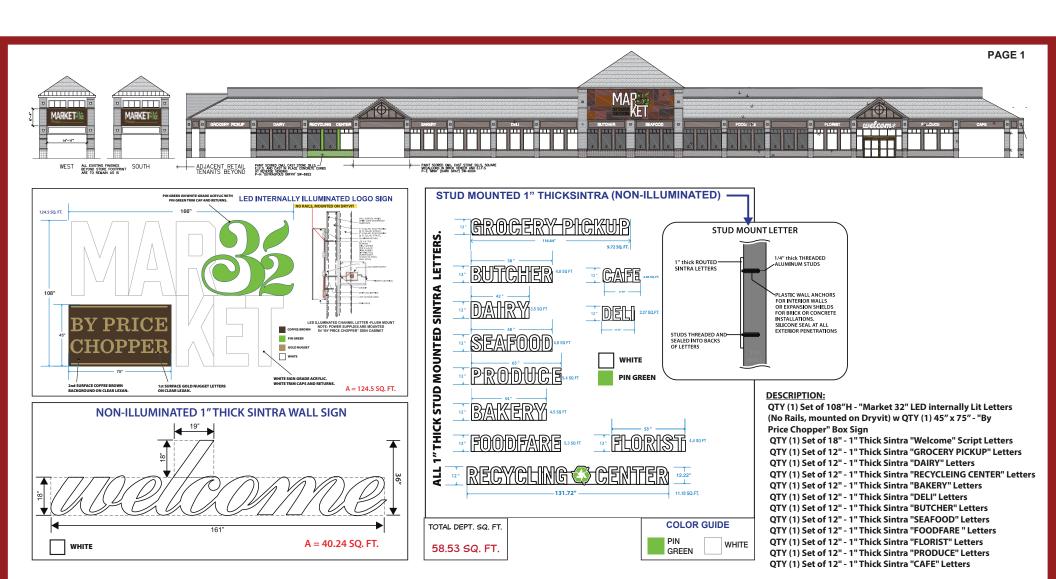
STATE OF NEW YORK COUNTY OF SCHENECTADY

SS.:

On the 22<sup>nd</sup> day of July in the year 2021 before me, the undersigned a Notary Public in and for said state personally appeared Thomas Lee and personally known to me or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the individual whose name is subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he executed the same in his capacity, and that by his signature on the instrument, the individual executed the instrument.

Notary Public

CARRIE TERRAFERMA Notary Public, State of New York No. 01TE0192413 Qualified in Albany County Commission Expires September 2, 2024





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## CLIENT:

Price Chopper P North (SR) Niskayuna

**CUSTOMER APPROVAL** 

**JOB LOCATION:** 

2333 Nott Street East Niskayuna, NY 12309 US

**DATE** 

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FOLDER: Drawings/Pat/Market 32/

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**REVISION:** 

DRAWN BY: Chelsea Meissner















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231485-04 More Exterior Signs

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**DESCRIPTION: INSTALL QTY (2)** 40.125"H X 134.5"W SINGLE FACE **ILLUMINATED SIGNS "MARKET 32** PLACE" MOUNTED BACK TO BACK ON EXISTING MONUMENT SIGN. LEXAN FACES WITH VINYL GRAPHICS.

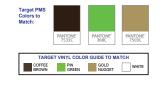


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**DATE** 

**DESCRIPTION:** INSTALL QTY (2) 27.625" X 84.5" (CUT SIZE) "MARKET 32 PLACE" LEXAN FACES FOR EXISTING MONUMENT SIGN. LEXAN FACES WITH VINYL GRAPHICS.





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**DATE:** 4/26/24

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**REVISION:** 

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## **DESCRIPTION:**

QTY (4) 13.25"H x 39.5"W Dibond Signs mounted back to back on QTY (1) Double-face entrance and QTY (1) Double-face exit signs.





**DATE** 

**Target PMS** Colors to Match:





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## 047 NOTT STREET MARKET 32 - GROCERY PICKUP WAY FINDING SIGNAGE PLAN



**Overall Site Plan** 

## 047 NOTT STREET MARKET 32 - ENLARGED SITE PLAN



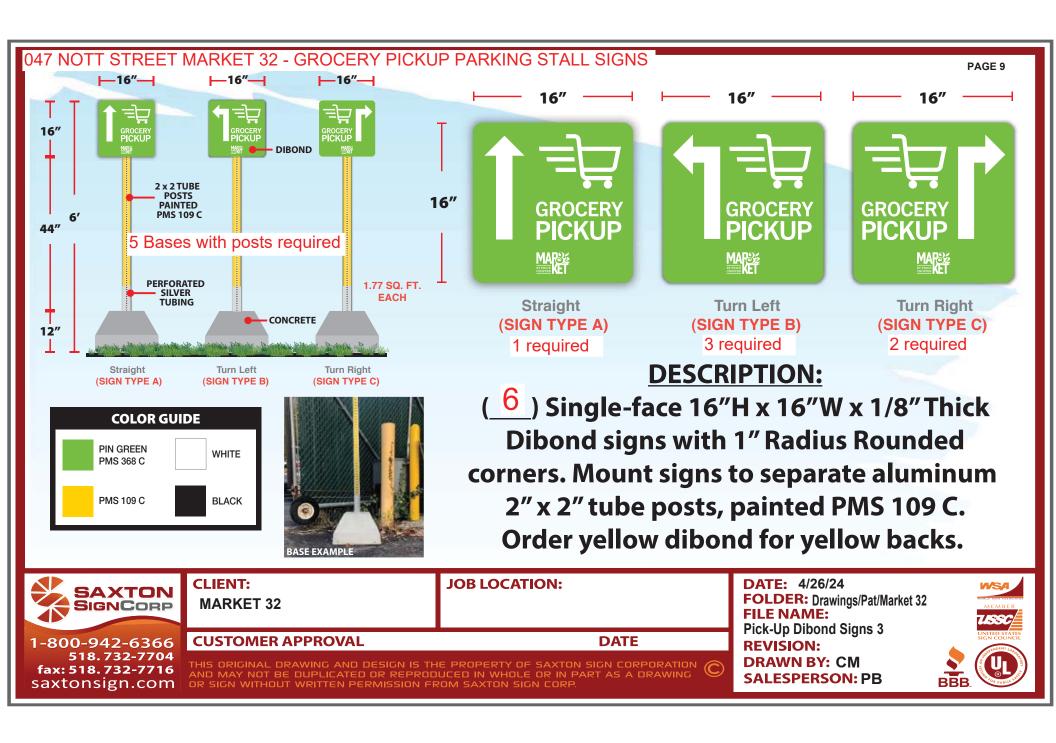
Install stop sign on exterior brick column, see photo A

(4) GROCERY PICKUP PARKING STALL SIGNS

## 047 NOTT STREET MARKET 32 - NEW MAIN ENTRANCE - PHOTO A







## 047 NOTT STREET MARKET 32 - GROCERY PICKUP PARKING STALL SIGNS



Typical Grocery Pickup Parking Stall Sign

The overall sign is 36" tall x 12" wide
The material we print these on is E-Panel also know as DiBond

The white section of the sign is 11" tall

The green section of

the sign is 25" tall

Let us know you're here. Use the app or call

518-769-9410



Phone number changes based on store location

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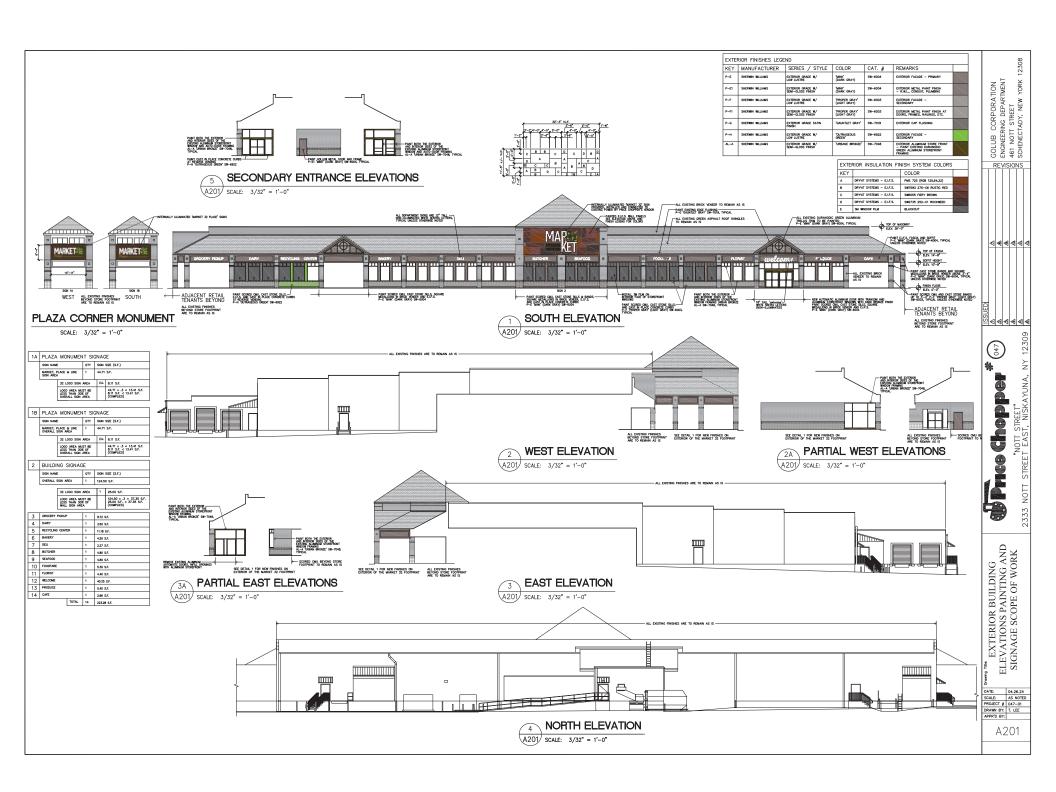
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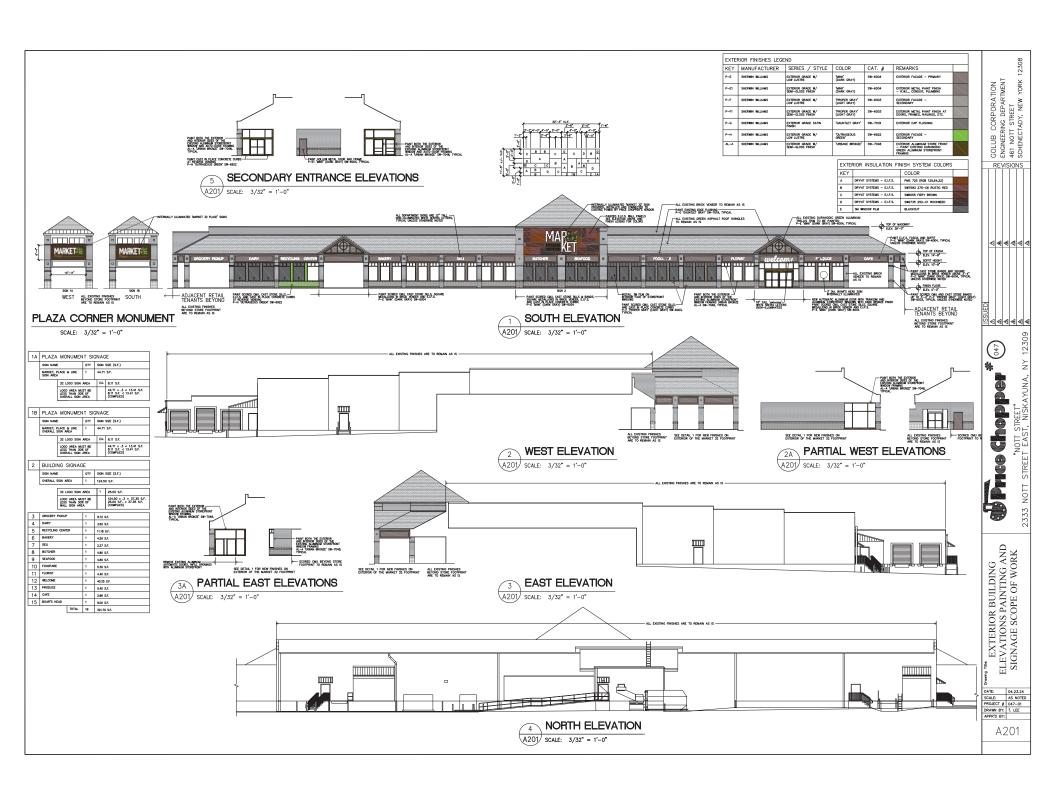


Phone number changes based on store location



The overall sign is 36" tall x 12" wide.
The bottom of the pole mounted sign in the planted island to be at 7'-3" above the grade to match the current existing signs in this site





## RESOLUTION NO. 2024-04

AT A REGULAR MEETING OF THE PLANNING BOARD AND ZONING COMMISSION OF THE TOWN OF NISKAYUNA DULY CALLED AND HELD ON THE 22ND DAY OF JANUARY 2024 AT THE NISKAYUNA TOWN OFFICE BUILDING, ONE NISKAYUNA CIRCLE, IN SAID TOWN AT 7:00 P.M., THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS WERE PRESENT VIRTUALLY OR IN PERSON:

HONORABLE:

KEVIN A. WALSH, CHAIRMAN

GENGHIS KHAN
CHRIS LAFLAMME
DAVID D'ARPINO
LESLIE GOLD
NANCY STRANG
SARAH BILOFSKY

**EHASUYI GOMES** 

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TOWN OF NISKAYUNA

One of the purposes of the meeting was to take action on a final site plan approval.

The meeting was duly called to order by the Chairman.

The following resolution was offered by Ms. Strang, whom moved its adoption, and seconded by Mr. D'Arpino.

WHEREAS, Kelly O'Neill has made an application to the Planning Board and Zoning Commission for site plan approval for tenant change at 2333 Nott St. E. to a Market 32 grocery store as described in the Application for Site Plan Review form and accompanying documentation package listed below, and

WHEREAS, the property is located in a Planned Development District (PDD) within the C-N Neighborhood Commercial zoning district and the Town Center Overlay District (TCOD). Grocery stores are permitted principal uses in the PDD, and

WHEREAS, the proposed tenant change complies with the Economic Development section of the 2013 Niskayuna Comprehensive Plan, and

WHEREAS, the following documents were provided with the site plan application.

- 1. An 11-page slide set of marked up colored renderings of the site with notes addressing the following topics:
  - a. Page 1 parking lot sidewalks, crosswalks and landscaping
  - b. Page 2 parking lot grocery pickup and way finding signage

- c. Page 3 parking lot parking spaces, grocery pickup parking spaces, shopping cart corral locations and parking lot lighting
- d. Page 4 parking lot new main entrance, cross walk striping and stop sign
- e. Page 5 parking lot new main entrance, cross walk striping and stop sign
- f. Page 6 dimensioned grocery pickup parking stall signs
- g. Page 7 picture of a typical pickup parking stall sign, pole and base
- h. Page 8 drawing of a typical grocery pickup parking stall sign (w/dimensions)
- i. Page 9 drawing of a typical grocery pickup parking stall sign "2"
- j. Page 10 drawing of a typical grocery pickup parking stall sign "3"
- k. Page 11 drawing of a typical grocery pickup parking stall sign "4"
- 2. A 1-page drawing entitled "Exterior Building Elevations Painting and Signage Scope of Work, Price Chopper 2333 Nott Street East, Niskayuna NY 12309" by Golub Corporation Engineering Department 461 Nott Street Schenectady NY 12308 dated 11/29/23 with no subsequent revisions.
- 3. A 1-page drawing with a file name including "demo work" and entitled "EQD1, General Equipment Plan Proposed Not For Construction, Price Chopper "Niskayuna" 2333 Nott Street East, Niskayuna, NY 12309" by Golub Corporation Engineering Department 461 Nott Street Schenectady, NY 12308 dated 11/28/23 with no subsequent revisions.
- 4. A 1-page drawing with a file name including "new plan" and entitled "EQ01, General Equipment Plan Proposed Not For Construction, Price Chopper "Niskayuna" 2333 Nott Street East, Niskayuna, NY 12309" by Golub Corporation Engineering Department 461 Nott Street Schenectady, NY 12308 dated 11/28/23 with no subsequent revisions.

WHEREAS, the Planning Board referred this application to the Town's Superintendent of Water, Sewer and Engineering, the Fire District Chief and the Chief of Police and there were no objections to the proposal, and

WHEREAS, the Board has carefully reviewed the proposal and by this resolution does set forth its decision hereon,

NOW, THEREFORE, be it hereby

RESOLVED, that the Planning Board and Zoning Commission finds the above referenced site plan meets the requirements of the Zoning Code and previous site plan approvals, and therefore, hereby approves the site plan with the following conditions:

- 1. Outdoor storage: No outdoor storage or obstructions shall be allowed on the sidewalk between the main grocery store entrance and the secondary grocery store entrance to protect pedestrian passageway through the plaza.
- 2. Crosswalks: Prior to completion of the building permit, crosswalks shall be striped in the 6 locations identified by the Planning Office in the aerial map provided to the applicant labeled Nott Street Site Plan.
- 3. Sidewalks: Prior to completion of the building permit, the missing section of sidewalk between the parking lot and Nott Street East, identified by the Planning Office in the aerial map provided to the applicant labeled Nott Street Site Plan, shall be installed to the satisfaction of the Planning Office.
- 4. Landscaping: Prior to completion of the building permit the applicant shall supply a landscaping plan for review and approval by the Tree Council. The landscaping beds in front of the proposed Market 32 should be refreshed; dead or severely distressed trees within the property should be removed, and any removed trees should be replanted.
- 5. Signage: This resolution is for tenant change only. The Planning Board shall review and approve any proposed signage and façade color changes at a later date.

Upon roll call the foregoing resolution was adopted by the following vote:

KEVIN A. WALSH, CHAIRMAN -- Aye
GENGHIS KHAN -- Aye
CHRIS LAFLAMME -- Aye
DAVID D'ARPINO -- Aye
LESLIE GOLD
NANCY STRANG -- Aye
SARAH BILOFSKY
EHASUYI GOMES -- Aye

The Chairman declared the same duly adopted.



## **TOWN OF NISKAYUNA**

## PLANNING BOARD AND ZONING COMMISSION

## **AGENDA STATEMENT**

AGENDA ITEM NO. VIII. 3	MEETING DATE: 4/29/24
ITEM TITLE: DISCUSSION: 3359 Consaul Rd. – Ingersoll Place – An application for site plan review for a new pavilion.	
PROJECT LEAD: TBD	
APPLICANT: Caroline Thompson	
SUBMITTED BY: Laura Robertson	
REVIEWED BY:  ☐ Conservation Advisory Council (CAC) ☐ Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA) ☐ Town Board ☐ OTHER:	
ATTACHMENTS:  ☐ Resolution ■ Site Plan ☐ Map ☐ Report ☐ Other:	

## **SUMMARY STATEMENT:**

Caroline Thompson, a representative of Ingersoll Place, submitted an application for site plan review for the construction of a new 16' x 18' pavilion on their property at 3359 Consaul Road. The proposed location is adjacent to the pond and wildlife preserve making the pavilion an exciting new venue for resident activities.

The property lies within the R-1 Low Density Residential zoning district. Nursing homes are special principal uses in the district.

This is the applicant's first meeting with the Planning Board to present and review the project.

## **COMPREHENSIVE PLAN**

The proposed action complies with the current (2013) Comprehensive Development Plan for the Town.

## **BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

The following documents were provided with the application.

- 1. A 2-page document entitled "Ingersoll Place Description of Pavilion Project."
- 2. A 2-page snip taken from a survey drawing of the property.
- 3. 9 pages of pictures including an image of the proposed pavilion, site location and sightlines from various vantage points

### 4. A short form EAF

The narrative included with the application includes the following details in support of the application.

- Their mission is to provide a supportive and nurturing environment for older adults
- Residents will be able to relax, enjoy the sights and sounds of nature and socialize with friends
   & family
- The pavilion will also serve as an exciting new venue for scheduled events and activities
- The pavilion will be located near their pond that borders the Henry Gerber Reist Wildlife Sanctuary
- An ADA-compliant walkway will like the existing East Wing Garden to the new pavilion
- Habitat-appropriate plants, flowers and shrubbery will flank the walkway
- The pavilion will provide covered seating for at least 15 individuals.
- Ingersoll Place is partnering with the Environmental Clearinghouse of Schenectady (ECOS) to provide educational programming to its residents. ECOS has already provided two education programs for residents: Trees Around You and Bees in Nature.
- The pavilion will only be seen by one neighbor (when all the leaves are down) and the parking lot of the O.D. Heck Center.
- There will not be any electricity or lighting at the pavilion
- To date they have received several grants to support the project.
  - The Carlilian Foundation \$9,000
  - JM McDonald \$6.000
  - The William Gundry Broughton Foundation \$5,000
  - o Price Chopper / Market 32 \$1,000

Schedule I-B Column 5 for the R-1 zoning district lists the following Minimum Yard Dimensions: Front = 35', Side = 20', rear = 25'. The site plan drawing includes a hand drawn sketched-in location for the pavilion with a dimension of 20.6 ft. to the side property line.

Section 220-18 Accessory structures A General (3) states: "Unless otherwise specified, accessory structures shall not exceed 15 feet in height." The materials provided do not include a dimensioned drawing documenting the height of the pavilion.

The applicant is appearing before the Planning Board to present the project.



## **TOWN OF NISKAYUNA**

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Phone: (518) 386-4530

## **Application for Site Plan Review**

Applicant (Owner or Agent):	Location:
Name Carolina Mompson	Number & Street 3359 Consaw Rd
Address 3359 Consaw Rd	Section-Block-Lot 60 1 - 14
Schenectady, NY 12304	
Email Caroline e ingersaliplace. Com	
Telephone <u>518-370-</u> Fax <u>518-393-</u> Zoning District <u>R-1</u> 4419 9410	
Proposal Description:	
To construct a 16×18 parlion adjacent to our	
pond and the Reist Wild	life Preserve that will
serve as an exciting new venue for scheduled	
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Signature of owner (if different from applicant):	
Date:	

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## Ingersoll Place Description of Pavilion Project

Ingersoll Place is a small, stand-alone, 86-bed assisted living and memory care facility located on Consaul Road in Schenectady. Ingersoll provides a family environment; sharing the deep affection and mutual respect of a close-knit community. The staff work together as a team; committed to and responsible for the well-being of each and every resident. Our mission is to provide a supportive and nurturing environment for older adults who are unable to remain in their own homes due to physical limitations, mild to moderate cognitive impairment generally associated with aging and/or need assistance with activities of daily living.

We would like to construct a multi-purpose outdoor pavilion where residents can relax, enjoy the sights and sounds of nature and socialize with friends and family. The pavilion will also serve as an exciting new venue for scheduled events and activities.

Ingersoll Place has a pond that borders the Henry Gerber Reist Wildlife Sanctuary in Niskayuna. The Pavilion, to be located in proximity to the pond and wildlife sanctuary will provide residents, staff and visitors, especially those with mobility challenges, greater opportunity to enjoy green spaces, gardens, birds and other wildlife in a natural setting.

The Pavilion Project will expand resident engagement and learning opportunities with emphasis on the Reist Sanctuary, its geology, ecology and the diverse wildlife that dwells there. It will strengthen Ingersoll's role as an essential and innovative provider of elder care services. The project will feature an ADA-compliant walkway that links Ingersoll's existing East Wing Garden to the new pavilion which overlooks a small pond and the adjacent woodlands of the Reist Sanctuary. Habitat-appropriate plants, flowers and shrubbery will flank the walkway and create a visually appealing approach to the pavilion.

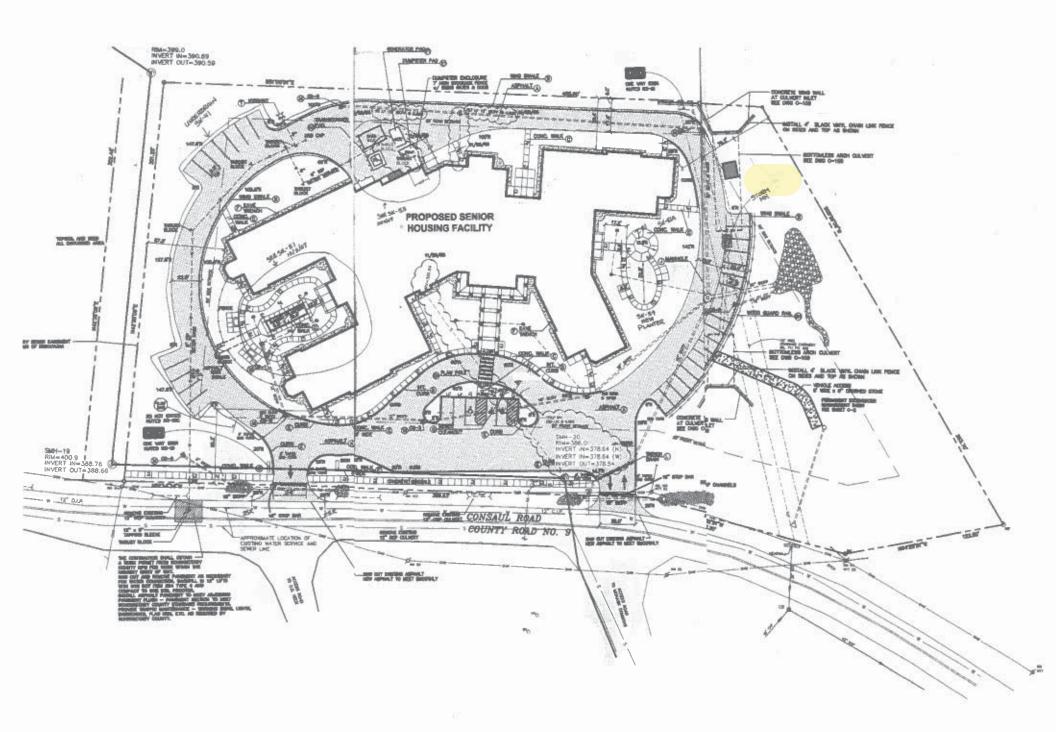
The pavilion, with covered seating for at least 15 individuals, in addition to lawn space accommodations, has been designed for use by individual residents as well as group gatherings as part of Ingersoll's extensive activities program. Anticipated new activities will include but are not limited to birdwatching, drawing/sketching sessions and presentations by local wildlife experts and nature enthusiasts.

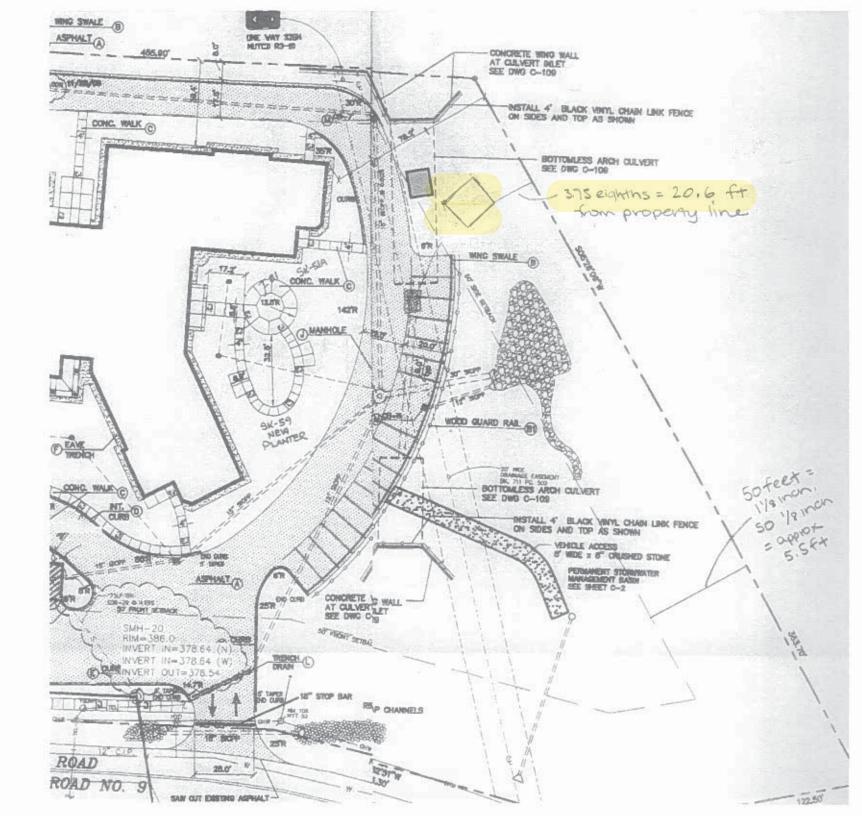
The presence of animals – both domestic and in the wild – plays a significant role in the health and wellbeing of most residents at Ingersoll Place. This observation is consistent with numerous studies that cite such benefits as reductions in stress, anxiety and loneliness, as well as heightened feelings of wellbeing. Tangible proof are the smiles, laughter and lively chatter of residents during their interactions with Oreo and Buttercup, Ingersoll's bunnies-in-residence, hands-on visits with the traveling petting zoo, therapy dogs and beloved family pets. Deer sightings, along with glimpses of herons, ducks, turkeys, foxes, turtles and more, are met with whoops of excitement by residents and staff, alike.

Ingersoll Place is partnering with the Environmental Clearinghouse of Schenectady (ECOS) to provide educational programming to its residents. ECOS has already provided two education programs for residents: Trees Around You and Bees in Nature. They will be providing additional programming once the pavilion is constructed and residents can gather in its space. ECOS provides these programs free-of-charge using nature-inspired volunteers.

The pavilion would only be seen by one neighbor (when all the leaves are down) and the parking lot of the O.D. Heck Center. There will not be any electricity or lighting at the pavilion.

To date, we have received several grants to support this project. The Carlilian Foundation donated \$9,000, JM McDonald \$6,000, The William Gundry Broughton Foundation \$5,000 and Price Chopper/Market 32 \$1,000.





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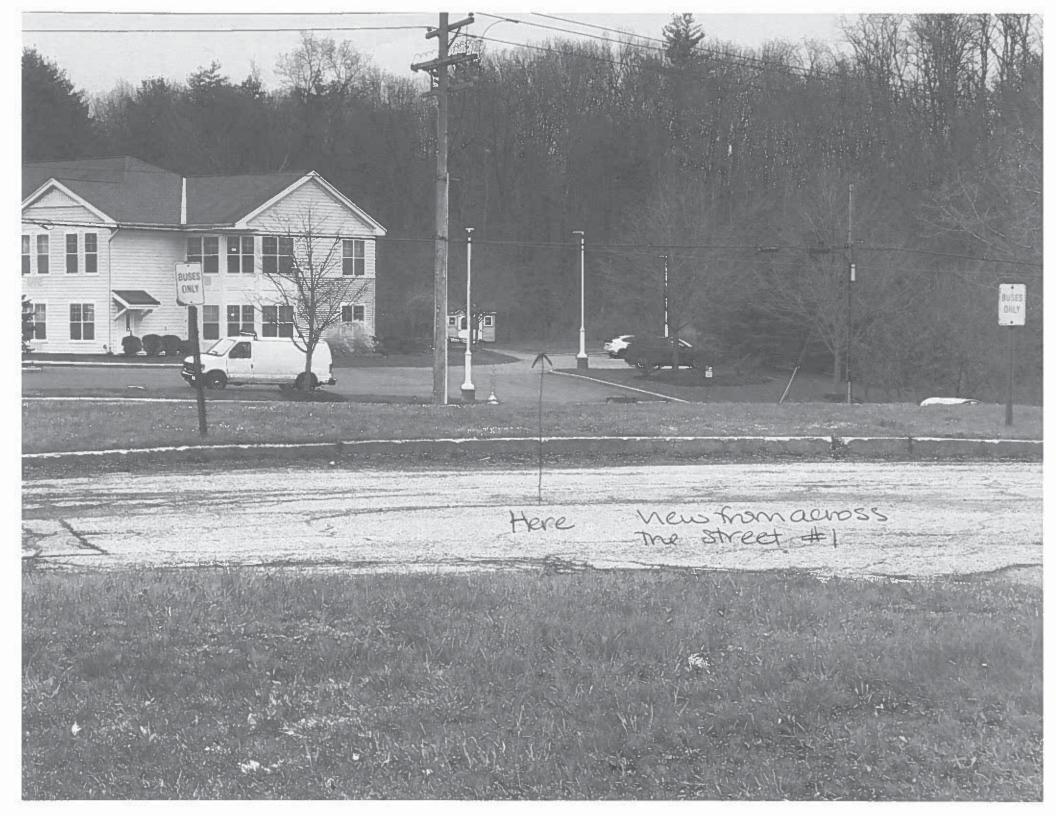














# Short Environmental Assessment Form Part 1 - Project Information

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Complete all items in Part 1. You may also provide any additional information which you believe will be needed by or useful to the lead agency; attach additional pages as necessary to supplement any item.

Part 1 – Project and Sponsor Information				
Ingersoll Place Assisted Living Facility				
Name of Action or Project:				
Pavilion Installation Project				
Project Location (describe, and attach a location map):				
3359 Consaul Rd. Schenectady NY 12304				
Brief Description of Proposed Action:				
Construct a 16' x 18' pavilion near the pond for the enjoyment of the residents.				
Name of Applicant or Sponsor:	Telephone: 518-370-4419	)		<u></u>
Caroline Thompson	E-Mail: caroline@ingerso	liplace com		
Address:	- SCIOMICE RIGORO	mpidoo:oo;m		
3359 Consaul Rd				
City/PO:	State:	Zip Code	;	
Schenectady (Niskayuna)	NY	12304		
1. Does the proposed action only involve the legislative adoption of a plan, loca administrative rule, or regulation?	ıl law, ordinance,	N	10	YES
If Yes, attach a narrative description of the intent of the proposed action and the	environmental resources th	at	Z	
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2. Does the proposed action require a permit, approval or funding from any oth	er government Agency?	N	10	YES
If Yes, list agency(s) name and permit or approval:			$\mathbb{Z}$	
3. a. Total acreage of the site of the proposed action?	3.992 acres	1		
b. Total acreage to be physically disturbed?	0.01 acres			
c. Total acreage (project site and any contiguous properties) owned or controlled by the applicant or project sponsor?	3.992 acres			
	YALE			
4. Check all land uses that occur on, are adjoining or near the proposed action:				
☐ Urban ☐ Rural (non-agriculture) ☐ Industrial ☑ Commerci	al 🗹 Residential (subur	ban)		
Forest Agriculture Aquatic Other(Spe	cify): Bird Sanctuary			
Parkland				

5. Is the proposed action,	NO	YES	N/A
a. A permitted use under the zoning regulations?		<b>V</b>	
b. Consistent with the adopted comprehensive plan?		V	
		NO	YES
6. Is the proposed action consistent with the predominant character of the existing built or natural landscape?			<b>V</b>
7. Is the site of the proposed action located in, or does it adjoin, a state listed Critical Environmental Area?		NO	YES
If Yes, identify:		V	
8. a. Will the proposed action result in a substantial increase in traffic above present levels?		NO V	YES
b. Are public transportation services available at or near the site of the proposed action?			
c. Are any pedestrian accommodations or bicycle routes available on or near the site of the proposed action?		V	
9. Does the proposed action meet or exceed the state energy code requirements?		NO	YES
If the proposed action will exceed requirements, describe design features and technologies:			
No energy usage.			<b>✓</b>
10. Will the proposed action connect to an existing public/private water supply?		NO	YES
If No, describe method for providing potable water:		<b>✓</b>	
11. Will the proposed action connect to existing wastewater utilities?		NO	YES
If No, describe method for providing wastewater treatment:  No wastewater treatment required.		V	
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b. Is the project site, or any portion of it, located in or adjacent to an area designated as sensitive for archaeological sites on the NY State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) archaeological site inventory?		<b>✓</b>	
13. a. Does any portion of the site of the proposed action, or lands adjoining the proposed action, contain wetlands or other waterbodies regulated by a federal, state or local agency?		NO 🗸	YES
b. Would the proposed action physically alter, or encroach into, any existing wetland or waterbody?			
If Yes, identify the wetland or waterbody and extent of alterations in square feet or acres:			

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# **TOWN OF NISKAYUNA**

#### PLANNING BOARD AND ZONING COMMISSION

### **AGENDA STATEMENT**

AGENDA ITEM NO. VIII. 4	MEETING DATE: 4/29/24
ITEM TITLE: DISCUSSION: 2530 Balltown Rd. – Chinese for site plan review for a 777 sq. ft. addition.	e Fellowship Church An application
PROJECT LEAD: TBD	
APPLICANT: TBD	
SUBMITTED BY: Laura Robertson	
REVIEWED BY:  ☐ Conservation Advisory Council (CAC) ☐ Zoning Board ☐ OTHER:	of Appeals (ZBA) $\square$ Town Board
ATTACHMENTS:  ☐ Resolution ☐ Site Plan ☐ Map ☐ Report ☐ Other:	
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#### **SUMMARY STATEMENT:**

A representative of the Chinese Fellowship Church submitted an application for site plan review for a 1-story 777 sq. ft. addition to the rear of the building at 2530 Balltown Rd.

The property lies within the R-P Residential and Professional zoning district. Places of worship, religious educational facilities, parish houses and rectories are special principal uses in the district.

This is the applicant's first meeting with the Planning Board to present and review the project.

#### **COMPREHENSIVE PLAN**

The proposed action complies with the current (2013) Comprehensive Development Plan for the Town.

### **BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

The following documents were provided with the application.

- 1. A 1-page site drawing entitled "Chinese Fellowship Bible Church, 2530 Balltown Road, Niskayuna, NY 12309" by Keith A. Cramer, Architect dated 4/15/24 with no subsequent revisions.
- 2. A Short Form EAF

3. A 5-page drawing set entitled "Chinese Fellowship Bible Church, 2530 Balltown Road, Niskayuna, NY 12309" by Keith A. Cramer, Architect dated 4/15/24 with no subsequent revisions including elevation renderings, an interior floorplan and pictures of the existing building where the additional will be constructed.

The site plan application form notes that the proposed addition will include a kitchen.

The site plan drawing includes the following information for pre and post construction conditions.

No.	Description	Pre-construction	Addition	Post-construction	% of Total Lot
1	Building Area	13,808 SF	777 SF	14,585 SF	8.4
2	Paved Area	31,090 SF	330 SF	31,402 SF	18.2
3	Parking Spaces	64/59?	0	64/59?	NC

Chapter 220-4 Definitions, defines "Floor Area, Gross" as "The sum of horizontal areas of a building, excluding unenclosed or unheated porches, unenclosed decks, unfinished basement areas or garages, measured from the exterior face of the exterior walls."

Schedule I-C Column 6 Minimum Off-Street Parking Spaces requires "1 space for each 200 sq. ft. of floor area but not less than 1 space for each 4 seats where provided." The site plan drawing provided with the application states that 64 parking spaces exist on the property although the Planning Office could only identify 59.

Design	Floor	Spaces	Actual Spaces	Surplus / Deficit
	Area	Req'd.		
Current	13,808	69	64/59	5/10
Addition	777	4	NA	NA
As Proposed	14,585	73	64/59	9/14

The applicant is appearing before the Planning Board this evening to present the project and answer any questions that arise.

#### **TOWN OF NISKAYUNA**

Application for Site Plan Review

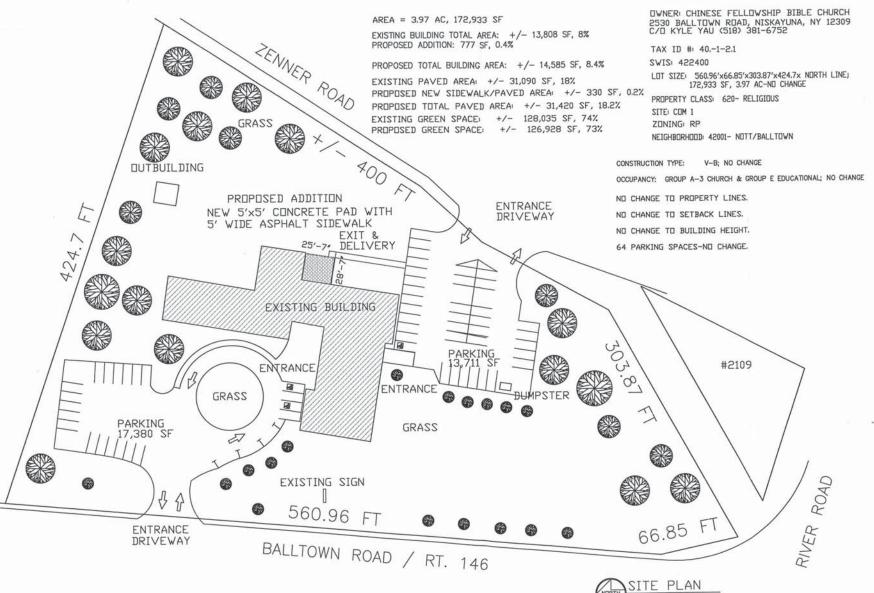
<u>Applicant (Owner or Agent)</u> :	Location:
Name CHINESE FELLOWSHIP BIBLE CHURCH	Number & Street 2530 BALLTOWN RD.
Address 2530 BALLTOWN RD	Section-Block-Lot <u>40,-1-2.1</u>
NISKAYUNA, NY 12209	
Telephone 518.381.6752 <sub>Fax</sub> SAME	Zoning District RP
Proposal Description: 777 SF ADDITION, 1-STORY, KITCHEN, ON REAR SI	DE OF BUILDING.

## Each site plan application shall be accompanied by:

- 1. Twelve (12) site plan maps prepared by a licensed engineer, architect or surveyor.
  - a. The site plan shall include the following: the title of the drawing, including the name(s), address(es), phone and fax numbers of the applicant and the name address, phone and fax number of the person, firm or organization preparing the map.
  - b. The North point, date and scale.
  - c. Boundaries of the property.
  - d. Existing watercourses and direction of existing and proposed drainage flow.
  - e. The location of all proposed site improvements; proposed water and utility facilities; a description of the method of sewage disposal and location of such facilities; the location of all proposed signs; and location of proposed areas of vegetation.
- 2. A lighting plan showing the lighting distribution of existing or proposed lights, specifications, photometric data, and catalog cuts of the proposed fixture(s) which meet the requirements of Article VIIIB of the Zoning Ordinance of the Town of Niskayuna entitled "Guidelines for Lighting of Outdoor Areas under Site Plan Review".
- 3. Six (6) copies of the short or long Environmental Assessment Form (EAF), as required by 6NYCRR Part 617, "State Environmental Quality Review", and Chapter 95, "Environmental Quality Review", of the Code of the Town of Niskayuna.

- 4. If the application is being made by someone other than the current property owner, the applicant or the agent for the applicant must provide proof that they are authorized to pursue this site plan approval. Such proof may be in the form of a contract for sale or letter by the current owner that the applicant/agent is authorized to proceed with this application.
- 5. Administration Fees: An application for site plan approval shall be submitted to the Planning Board at least ten (10) business days prior to a regular meeting of the Planning Board. Each petition shall be accompanied by a minimum fee of *two hundred dollars* (\$200.00) plus an additional fee based on the square footage of new building construction. Fees are payable to the Town of Niskayuna.
- 6. Consulting Fees: The cost incurred by the Town for the review of an application by the Town Engineer, consulting engineering firm or other consulting fees, in connection with a Board's review of a proposed application shall be charged to the applicant. The Board to whom the application is made shall obtain an estimate from any designated consultant of the amount sufficient to defray the cost of such services and shall collect from the applicant the estimated charges. Any portion of the estimated charges so collected, which are not expended by the Town, shall be returned to the applicant. Any such costs incurred by the Town beyond the estimated charges initially collected from the applicant, shall be collected from the applicant prior to final action upon the application.

Signature of applicant: Mall Jun	Date: APRIL 17, 2024
Signature of owner (if different from applicant):	0020
Date: 4/17/24	



FELLOWSHIP BIBLE CHURCH

CHINESE FELLOW 2530 BALLTOWN NISKAYUNA, NY

12309

KEITH A. CRAMER, ARCHITECT 95 HURST AVE, ALBANY, NY 12208 (518) 438–8352 cramerkeith@msn.com

DATE: APRIL 15, 2024 REVISED:

SCALE: 1'=50'

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# Short Environmental Assessment Form Part 1 - Project Information

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Part 1 – Project and Sponsor Information					
CHINESE FELLOWSHIP BIBLE CHURCH					
Name of Action or Project:					
NEW ADDITION FOR KITCHEN					
Project Location (describe, and attach a location map):					
2530 BALLTOWN ROAD, NISKAYUNA, NY 12309					
Brief Description of Proposed Action:					
777 SQ FT ADDITION TO EXISTING BUILDING, 1-STORY, SLAB-ON-GRADE, STEEL ST	UD CONSTRUCTION.				
Name of Applicant or Sponsor:	Talambana, 518 381 675	າ			
ame of Applicant or Sponsor:  Telephone: 518. 381.6752					
	E-Mail: KYLEYAU@ICLO	OUD.COM			
Address:					
2530 BALLTOWN ROAD					
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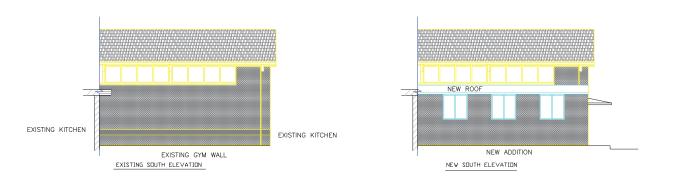
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	If No, describe method for providing potable water:			
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18. Does the proposed action include construction or other activities that would result in the impoundment of water	NO	YES
or other liquids (e.g., retention pond, waste lagoon, dam)?		
If Yes, explain the purpose and size of the impoundment:	<b>✓</b>	
19. Has the site of the proposed action or an adjoining property been the location of an active or closed solid waste	NO	YES
management facility?  If Yes, describe:		
	$\checkmark$	
20. Has the site of the proposed action or an adjoining property been the subject of remediation (ongoing or completed) for hazardous waste?	NO	YES
If Yes, describe:		
	$\checkmark$	Ш
I CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION PROVIDED ABOVE IS TRUE AND ACCURATE TO THE BE	ST OF	
MY KNOWLEDGE	or or	
Applicant/sponsor/name: KYLE LAU FOR CFBC Date: april 17, 2024		
Signature: KYLE YAUTitle: PASTOR		



EXISTING KITCHEN

EXISTING REAR ELEVATION



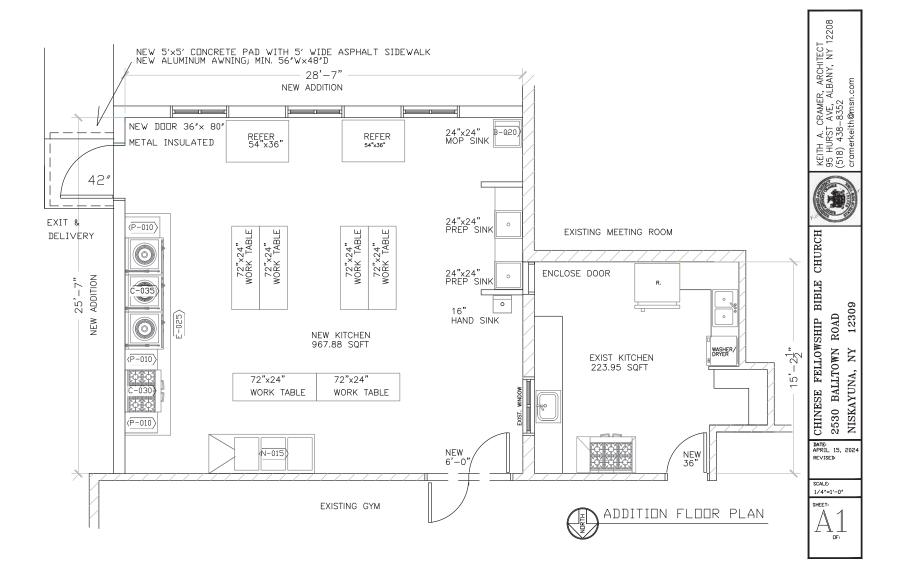
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CHINESE FELLOWSHIP BIBLE CHURCH 2530 BALLTOWN ROAD NISKAYUNA, NY 12309

DATE: APRIL 15, 2024 REVISED:

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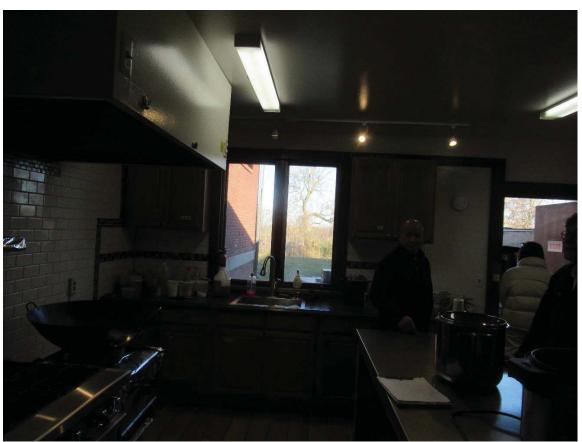
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#### SCHEDULE I-C

Part 1 R-2 District

#### Schedule of Supplementary Regulations

Town of Niskayuna
[Amended 9-8-1987 by Res. No. 276; 12-19-1989 by Res. No. 89-322; 4-2-1991 by Res. No. 91-101; 10-27-1992 by L.L. No. 8-1992; 6-7-1994 by L.L. No. 5-1994; 4-20-1999 by L.L. No. 5-1999; 6-6-2000 by L.L. No. 2-2000]

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Zoning	Permitted	Minis	mum Lot	Size Depth	Percentage of Coverage by Building and		s	ide		Minimum Required Off-Street Parking Space(s)	Permitted Signs (Also see	Additional Use Regulations, Prohibitions, Notes, Other Provisions and Requirements
District	Uses	Area	(feet)	(feet)	Structures	Front	1	Both	Rear	(Also see § 220-19.)	§ 220-22.)	(Also see §§ 220-16 and 220-21.)
	Single-family dwelling	9,000 sq. ft.	80	100	30	30	15	30	20	Same as R-R and R-1 Di	stricts unless otherwise noted	All residences: Same as R-R and R-I Districts, except quartering of horses shall be prohibited.
	Private college facilities	25 acres	500	600	20	100	100	200	100	I space for each 4 seats where athletic events involving paid admissions are conducted plus I space for each 10 students otherwise	In addition to the R-R District regulations, any number of directional signs each not to exceed 4 square feet in area and not higher than 8 feet above the average grade at their locations.	
	Places of worship, religious education facilities, parish houses and rectories	2 acres	150	150	25	50	25	50	50	I space for each 200 square feet of floor area but not less than I space for each 4 seats where provided		
R-2 Medium- Density Residential	Hospitals	5 acres	400	400	25	75	75	150	75	1 space for each 2 beds plus 1 space for each 2 employees plus 1 space for each staff doctor	In addition to the R-R District regulations, signs not to exceed 6 square feet in area for the purpose of giving direction to emergency facilities	Such use shall front and access only to a major arterial highway.
	Nursery schools	1 acre	150	150	25	25	25	50	25	1 space per teacher and staff member		
	Care homes and nursing homes	5 acres	100	150	20	50	-50	100	25	See § 220-31G	See § 220-22A(10) for nonresidential signs in residential area	See § 220-31
	Mobile home parks 1				See § 220-27.							
	Adult day-care centers in independent buildings	9,000 square feet	80	100	30	30	15	30	20	1 space for each employee, plus 0.15 space for each client	I permanent sign attached to the building (no freestanding), not to exceed 2 square feet in area, which may be illuminated by low-intensity lamp(s) only	See § 220-32.1.
	Child day-care centers									1 space for each employee, plus 0.15 space for each child	I permanent sign attached to the building, not to exceed 2 square feet, which may be illuminated by low- intensity lamp(s) only	Sec § 220-32.2.
	Schools of private instruction	5 acres	250	500	10	100	50	100	100	I space for each 10 students plus I space for each staff member		Such use shall front and access only to a major or minor aterial highway.     There shall be a maximum FAR (floor area ratio) of 0.15.
												For all nonresidential uses: There shall be a minimum 25% of the total land area of the site reserved as landscaped open space. At the discretion of the Planning Board, a portion of this open space shall be used to provide landscaping internal to required off-street parking areas

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