

#### PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION MEETING

MONDAY FEBRUARY 28, 2021 6:00 P.M. https://zoom.us/j/99198672143

Call in: 312-626-6799

Meeting ID: 991 9867 2143

#### AGENDA

- 1. Roll Call
- 2. Motion to approve the minutes from the October 18, 2021 and January 17, 2022 Planning & Zoning Commission Meeting
- 3. Public Comments (5-minutes limit for items not on this agenda)
- 4. Business Items
  - a. Site Plan Pacific Drywall Huxley Industrial Park Parcel B of Lot 7
  - b. Development Concept Kamp, Woebker, Tollefson East 1st Street & Deerwood Drive
- 5. Informational Items/City Administrator Comments
  - a. Main Avenue Revitalization
- 6. Planning and Zoning Commission Comments
- 8. Adjournment

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#### Huxley Planning & Zoning Commission Minutes Monday, October 18, 2021

Chairman Roger Bierbaum called the meeting to order at 6:01 P.M.

**ROLL CALL**: Mosher, Bierbaum, Murphy, Patterson, Frantz, Ebel and Schonhorst present.

**CITY STAFF PRESENT**: Amy Kaplan – Zoning Clerk, Rita Conner- City Administrator.

CONSULTANTS PRESENT: None

**GUESTS PRESENT:** Adam Schoeppner and Larry Roden.

**MINUTES APPROVAL:** Motion – Patterson, second – Mosher to approve minutes from the September 20, 2021 meeting. 7 Aye. 0 Nay.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

#### PUBLIC HEARING: None

#### **BUSINESS ITEMS:**

**North Prairie View Plat 2-Final Plat-** Motion by Mosher, second- Schonhorst to recommend approval to City Council. Mosher, Bierbaum, Murphy, Patterson, Frantz, Schonhorst, Ebel voted yes. Motion carried 7/0.

#### Roden Plat of Survey-Boundary Adjustment-

6:10 PM Roden boundary adjustment called, applicant not present. Item tabled.

6:33PM Applicant arrived. Business item reviewed by Planning and Zoning Commission. Roden indicated his desire is to transfer the boundary line back to its original location in an effort to "clean up the boundary line." Motion by Ebel, second- Patterson to recommend approval to City Council. Mosher, Bierbaum, Murphy, Patterson, Frantz, Schonhorst, Ebel voted yes. Motion carried 7/0.

#### INFORMATIONAL ITEMS/CITY ADMINISTRATOR COMMENTS:

Water Treatment Plant Expansion Update- The project was approved by City Council. Efforts underway regarding the City's bond rating and securing funds.

**Main Avenue-** The Downtown Committee will be back in the coming weeks. A task force committee has been established and will meet after the presentation.

**FY 2022 Capital Improvement Plan (CIP)**- The working draft was sent to the Commission. City Council passed a modest CIP. A police vehicle and Fire Department equipment will be the first items to be discussed.

**Comprehensive Plan & Space Needs Analysis RFP Update-** Steinle is currently talking with other cities to see what they have done. Steinle will provide an analysis of her findings.

#### PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION COMMENTS:

- Bierbaum asked for an update on Council actions taken on items that were discussed by P&Z.
- Bierbaum requested the R1A discussion is placed back on the agenda. It is suggested that no new plats are passed with R1A zoning, instead, PUD zoning going forward. City staff would work with the City Attorney to end R1A zoning and have it written into the code.
- Murphy asked about the basic requirements for a PUD

- Murphy asked who owns the property that the new flagpole is on by the Huxley welcome sign.
- Mosher would like to see a fountain in the pond next to the new restaurant at the Landing. He thinks it would create a beautiful entry into Huxley.
- Bierbaum and Mosher will both be in Arizona for the next meeting. Will have a hybrid meeting, if possible, if not, Zoom.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion – Patterson, second-Ebel to adjourn meeting at 6:50 P.M. 7 ayes, 0 nays. MCU.

Amy Kaplan, Zoning Clerk

Mike Schonhorst, Acting Chairman

Date of Approval

#### Huxley Planning & Zoning Commission Minutes Monday, January 17, 2022

Chairman Roger Bierbaum called the Zoom meeting to order at 6:00 P.M.

**ROLL CALL**: Mosher, Bierbaum, Murphy, Frantz, Schonhorst present. Ebel and Patterson absent.

**CITY STAFF PRESENT**: Amy Kaplan – Zoning Clerk, Rita Conner- City Administrator.

CONSULTANTS PRESENT: None

GUESTS PRESENT: None.

**MINUTES APPROVAL:** Error on the agenda. The Commission did not meet in December. Will approve October 18<sup>th</sup> minutes at February meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

PUBLIC HEARING: None

#### **BUSINESS ITEMS:**

#### Stensland Partnership Final Plat (Story County 2 mile Review)

The Commission reviewed the subdivision and finds it acceptable. Motion by Frantz, second by Mosher to recommend approval to City Council. Mosher, Frantz, Murphy, Bierbaum voted yes. Schonhorst abstained.

#### Continued Discussion of R-1 A and Planned Unit Development (PUD) Zoning

Discussion topics included minimum number of acres, the need for more diverse housing products, tax implications etc. Conner will provide the Commission with examples of PUD areas and code from other cities for review. Continued discussion to be had.

#### INFORMATIONAL ITEMS/CITY ADMINISTRATOR COMMENTS:

**Council Action Update:** Conner gave a re-cap of the action taken at the City Council Meetings on topics that were discussed at Planning & Zoning.

**Comprehensive Plan**—The Comprehensive Plan will be updated as opposed to a new plan.

#### PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION COMMENTS:

- Bierbaum inquired about why Kevin Thompson was appointed to City Council. Conner indicated that Easter had moved out of the community.
- Next meeting will be February 21<sup>st</sup>. Zoom is preferred in February & March.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion – Schonhorst, second-Frantz to adjourn meeting at 6:32 P.M. 5 ayes, 0 nays. MCU.

Amy Kaplan, Zoning Clerk

## PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION COMMUNICATION

#### AGENDA HEADING:

Site Plan Pacific Drywall Huxley Industrial Park Parcel B of Lot 7

#### SYNOPSIS:

Pacific Drywall Corporation (5121 NE 3<sup>rd</sup> Street Des Moines, Iowa 50313) has been operating a drywall business at 105 Snyder Drive in the Huxley Development Park. The company's success has prompted the proposed construction of a second building to grow the company's available space for operations, equipment and materials.

The proposed project is proposed to be located on a 2.14 acre site adjacent to the existing building, and will add an estimated 20,800 square feet of warehouse space and 2800 square feet of office space.

Additional information is below and in the attachments.

#### **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:**

- Review comments were provided to the design and development team by city staff and Veenstra & Kimm, Inc. Review comments have been addressed with the exception of a final review of the lighting plan.
- The current building has no signage identifying it, and the proposed building has no proposed signage. Staff is inquiring with the design and development team on the potential for building signage to identify the company to the public.

#### **RECOMMENDATION: APPROVAL**

#### ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS:

- March 8, 2022 City Council review of site plan
- Submittal of building permit package and review of same
- Permit issuance and construction of project
- Final inspection and issuance Certificate of Occupancy



3000 Westown Parkway West Des Moines, Iowa 50266

515.225.8000 // 800.241.8000 www.v-k.net

February 25, 2022

Adam Schoeppner Nilles Associates, Inc. 1250 SW State Street Ankeny, Iowa 50023

adams@nillesinc.com (E-Mail Only)

HUXLEY, IOWA PACIFIC DRYWALL HUXLEY INDUSTRIAL PARK PARCEL B OF LOT 7 SITE PLAN REVIEW

We have reviewed Pacific Drywall's site plan for Parcel B of Lot 7 of the Huxley Industrial Park and offer the following comment:

1. Provide a photo metric lighting plan.

If you have any questions or comments, please contact us at 515-225-8000.

VEENSTRA & KIMM, INC.

Forrest S. Aldrich

FSA:rsb 45229-071

cc: Rita Conner, City of Huxley w/enclosure (e-mail)
Jeff Peterson, City of Huxley w/enclosure (e-mail)
Keith Vitzthum, City of Huxley (e-mail)
Mat Kahler, City of Huxley (e-mail)
AJ Strumpfer, City of Huxley (e-mail)
Amy Kaplan, City of Huxley (e-mail)

CIVIL ENGINEERING LAND SURVEYING LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE



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	of Huxley Conner	FROM: Adam S	Schoeppner, PLS
COMPANY:	City of Huxley, Iowa	DATE: February	18, 2022
ADDRESS:	515 N. Main Ave Huxley, Iowa 50124	NO. OF PAGES (INC	CLUDING COVER):
PHONE NO:	515-963-3550	NAI PROJECT NO:	21267
SUBJECT:	Pacific Drywall Site Plan – Second Submittal	FAX NUMBER:	
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NOTES/COM	IMENTS:		
Rita,			
Please see the	e following documents:		
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Thanks,			

Adam Schoeppner, PLS NILLES ASSOCIATES, INC.



Engineering – Planning – Landscape Architecture - Surveying

February 11, 2022

Forrest S. Aldrich Veenstra & Kimm, Inc. 3000 Westown Parkway West Des Moines, Iowa 50266-1320

#### **RE: Pacific Drywall**

Forrest:

This letter accompanies our second submittal of Pet Parents Site Plan. We have addressed your comments as follows (comments in **Red**):

#### **Comment Responses**

- 1. Provide information on the materials to be used for the hydrant lead and water service. Material information added to note 1 on sheet up-1.
- 2. Use an arch pattern water curb stop box with stainless steel rod. Information added to note 1 on sheet UP-1.
- 3. Add a "Storz" nozzle to the hydrant. Hydrant removed from plans. See response to comment 5 for more information.
- 4. Hydrant needs to be as manufactured by Waterous or Clow. Hydrant removed from plans. See response to comment 5 for more information.
- 5. The hydrant needs to be placed with the street right of way if the hydrant is to be a public hydrant. Hydrant has been deemed unnecessary and has been removed from the plans. Proposed building will be fully sprinklered and does not need to be fully covered by 200 ft hydrant radius.
- The water service cannot be tapped into the hydrant lead. Provide a separate tap into the public water main for the service. Hydrant has been removed from plans and water service tapped into public water main.
- Install tracer wire on the water service. Terminate in flush mounted tracer wire box Drainage & Water Solutions Figure No. TWAB. Use 3M Scotchplast Splice Encapsulation Kit 3832 for all tracer wire connections. Details added to note 1 on sheet UP-1.

- Provide all final as constructed plans as an electronic pdf format. Provide GIS coordinates for all as constructed utility manholes, valve boxes, curb stops, hydrants and cleanouts in AutoCad format. Electronic pdf and as-built files will be provided.
- 9. Change contact for Alliant Energy to Jacob Clark, Alliant Energy, 515-268-4412. Contact changed.
- 10. Provide a photo metric lighting plan. **Photometric lighting plan will be provided upon completion.**
- 11. Developer's/Owner's engineer will need to sign off on the project with a written statement that all construction plans and as-builts were completed to the engineer's design, and City supplemental and SUDAS standards before a final C.O. is issued. Noted.
- 12. Provide information on the uses inside the building as far as the need for oil/sand separators and grease interceptors. Building is intended to be used as office space and storage warehouse space for Pacific Drywall. No waste is expected to be created on site that would require oil/sand filters or grease interceptors.
- 13. Provide information on the future use for the north half of the lot that will remain undeveloped including information on property access and extensions of utilities. The north half of Lot 7 is under different ownership. Therefore, we are unaware of future plans for development/usage. The private drive between Lot 7 and Lots 5 and 6 will be used for access to the north half. An ingress-egress easement, sanitary sewer easement, and watermain easement are all provided along this private drive for utility extension. A 10' PUE is located along the west boundary of Lot 7 for the extension of franchise utilities to the north lot.
- 14. Label the owner of Lot 4 on sheet 2. Owner labeled.
- 15. Provide inlet protection to the existing intake located on the north side of Snyder drive east of the site. **Note added to install inlet protection.**

- 16. The stormwater management plan needs to be updated and modified to comply with the Huxley Industrial Park Stormwater Management Plan dated January 17, 2006 by Fox Engineering. The allowable release rate from this site is 1.0 cfs. **Updated.**
- 17. Pipe Material is to be pvc SDR 23.5 for 6-inch services and pvc truss pipe for services 8-inch and larger. Material requirements added to note 2.1 on sheet UP-1.
- 18. The 12" sewer ST-0 located within the street right of way needs to be concrete pipe. **Pipe updated to 15" RCP.**
- 19. Install sidewalk ramps including common square with minimum 7-inch-thick concrete. **Note updated to 7 inches.**

Please review these revisions and comment accordingly. If you have any questions, please contact me and we will work to resolve any remaining issues. Thank you.

Sincerely, Adam Schoeppner NILLES ASSOCIATES, INC.

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## PACIFIC DRYWALL - HUXLEY PARCEL B OF LOT 7 HUXLEY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION PL SITE PLAN

NAI #21267



#### EXISTING UTILITY NOTE

THE CONTRACTOR SHALL NOTIFY IOWA ONE CALL NO LESS THAN 48 HRS. IN ADVANCE OF ANY DISCINCION OF EXCAVATION

WHERE PUBLIC UTILITY FIXTURES ARE SHOWN AS EXISTING ON THE PLANS OR ENCOUNTERED WITHIN THE CONSTRUCTION AREA, IT SHALL BE THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE CONTRACTOR TO NOTIFY THE OWNERS OF THOSE UTILITIES PRIOR TO THE BEGINNING OF ANY CONSTRUCTION. THE CONTRACTOR SHALL AFFORD ACCES TO THESE FACILITIES FOR NECESSARY MODIFICATION OF SERVICES. UNDERGROUND FACILITIES, STRUCTURES AND UTILITIES HAVE BEEN FOR NECESSARY MODIFICATION OF SERVICES. UNDERGROUND FACILITIES, STRUCTURES AND UTILITIES HAVE BEEN FOR THE DEGNINATION OF AND THE PORT OF THE PORT HEIR LOSTENSE MAY BEEN FOR THE PROVINATION OF SERVICES. UNDERGROUND FACILITIES, STRUCTURES AND UTILITIES FOR NECESSARI VALUES AND RECORDS, AND THEREFORE THEIR LOSTENSE MAY BEEN FOR THE PROVINATION OF SERVICES AND RECORDS, AND THE PORT OF THE FOR THE PORT OF T

#### SPECIFICATION REFERENCE

THE 2021 IOWA SUDAS STANDARD SPECIFICATIONS FOR PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS AND THE CITY OF HUXLEY SUPPLEMENTAL SPECIFICATIONS SHALL APPLY TO ALL ASPECTS OF CONSTRUCTION.

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**BENCHMARKS** 

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CUT "X" IN CENTERLINE OF EAST DRIVE, 24' +/- NORTH OF SNYDER DRIVE, 12'+/-EAST OF BACK OF CURB ON DRIVE ON EAST SIDE OF SITE. ELEVATION=1044.57

DRIVE ON EAST END OF SITE. ELEVATION=1044.39

#### GENERAL NOTES

1. ONE WEEK PRIOR TO CONSTRUCTION, THE CONTRACTOR SHALL NOTIFY PROJECT ENGINEER AND: A. CITY OF HUXLEY B. BELLA COMMERCIAL

2. ALL MATERIALS AND CONSTRUCTION RELATED TO WORK CONDUCTED AS PART OF THESE PLANS SHALL BE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE 2021 STATEWIDE URBAN DESIGN AND SPECIFICATIONS (SUDAS), AND DETAILS SHOWN ON THIS PLAN UNLESS SPECIFICALLY NOTED OTHERWISE. CONTRACTOR SHALL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE REPAIR, REMOVAL, REPLACEMENT, OR REINSTALLATION OF ANY ITEM, BOTH ON- AND OFF-SITE, ADVERSELY AFFECTED BY FAILURE TO FOLLOW SAID SPECIFICATIONS, REPORTS, AND PLANS.

3. CONTRACTOR IS RESPONSIBLE TO UNDERSTAND THE INTENT OF THE WORK TO BE COMPLETED AND TO ADDRESS ANY QUESTIONS, CONCERNS, CONFLICTS, DISCREPANCY OR OTHER ISSUES THAT MAY AFFECT CONSTRUCTION WITH OWNER AND ENGINEER AT LEAST ONE WEEK PRIOR TO COMMENCING CONSTRUCTION. OWNER AND ENGINEER SHALL RESPOND IN A TIMELY MANNER TO ALLOW CONSTRUCTION TO PROCEED.

4. CONTRACTOR SHALL NOTIFY OWNER AND ENGINEER IMMEDIATELY OF ANY ISSUE ENCOUNTERED DURING CONSTRUCTION THAT MAY AFFECT PROPOSED DESIGN. OWNER AND ENGINEER SHALL RESPOND IN A TIMELY MANNER TO ALLOW CONSTRUCTION TO PROCEED.

5. ALL WORK SHALL BE IN ACCORDANCE WITH OSHA CODES AND STANDARDS. NOTHING INDICATED ON THESE PLANS SHALL RELIEVE THE CONTRACTOR FROM COMPLYING WITH ANY APPROPRIATE SAFETY REGULATIONS.

6. THE CONTRACTOR SHALL FIELD VERIFY THE EXACT LOCATION AND ELEVATION OF, AND PROTECT ALL UTILITIES AND STRUCTURES. DAMAGE TO UTILITIES AND STRUCTURES SHALL BE REPAIRED BY THE CONTRACTOR AT THE CONTRACTOR'S EXPENSE TO THE SATISFACTION OF THE OWNER.

7. THE CONTRACTOR SHALL RECONNECT ALL FIELD TILE AND STORM DRAINS DISTURBED DURING CONSTRUCTION. RECONNECTIONS SHALL BE CONSIDERED INCIDENTAL TO PROJECT COST. NOTIFY CITY OF HUXLEY AND NILLES ASSOCIATES PRIOR TO RECONNECTION SO THAT LOCATION OF RECONNECTION CAN BE DOCUMENTED AND INCLUDED ON RECORD DRAWINGS. REPAIRS TO TILE LINES ARE TO BE VERIFIED BY CITY OF HUXLEY PERSONNEL.

8. SIGNS SHALL CONFORM TO THE CITY OF HUXLEY SIGN ORDINANCE.

9. DETAILS AND NOTES INCLUDED WITHIN THESE PLANS SHALL BE USED FOR CONSTRUCTION. FOR ITEMS WITH NO DETAILS OR NOTES INCLUDED WITHIN THIS PLANS SET, FOLLOW SUDAS DETAILS AND SPECIFICATIONS FOR MATERIALS AND CONSTRUCTION.

10. CONTRACTOR SHALL VERIFY ALL MEASUREMENTS SHOWN ON THE PLANS PRIOR TO CONSTRUCTION. IF ANY DISCREPANCY IS FOUND, NOTIFY ENGINEER IMMEDIATELY BEFORE PROCEEDING.

11. COORDINATE ALL WORK ACTIVITIES WITH ANY OTHER CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS IN THE AREA.

12. ANY DAMAGE TO PROPERTY THAT OCCURS AS A RESULT OF THE CONTRACTOR'S ACTIVITIES OR ACTIONS SHALL BE REPAIRED AND RESTORED IN KIND.

13. THE CONTRACTOR SHALL PROTECT UTILITY POLES NEAR CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITIES AS

14. FOR ALL WORK, THE CONTRACTOR SHALL PROVIDE ALL FIELD QUALITY CONTROL AND TESTING AS PER SUDAS. PROVIDE ENGINEER TESTING RESULTS.

15. THE CONTRACTOR SHALL FOLLOW THE STORM WATER POLLUTION PREVENTION PLAN PREPARED FOR THIS SITE.

16. CONTRACTORS ON-SITE SHALL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR DAILY CLEAN-UP OF SEDIMENT AND DEBRIS TRACKED OR WASHED ONTO PUBLIC RIGHTS-OF-WAY AND AREAS OUTSIDE PROJECT LIMITS.

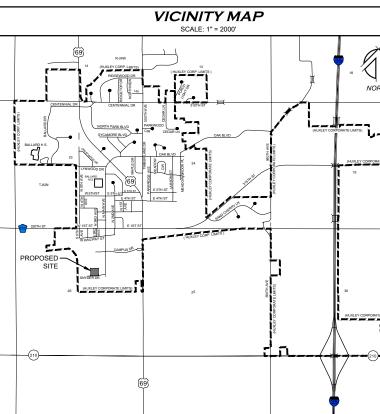
17. DURING THE PROGRESS OF THE WORK, IF SUBSURFACE OR LATENT PHYSICAL CONDITIONS ARE ENCOUNTERED AT THE SITE DIFFERING MATERIALLY FROM THOSE INDICATED ON THE PLANS OR IF UNKNOWN PHYSICAL, CULTURAL, AND/OR ENVIRONMENTAL CONDITIONS OF AN UNUSUAL NATURE ARE ENCOUNTERED AT THE SITE, THE PARTY DISCOVERING SUCH CONDITIONS SHALL PROMPTLY NOTIFY THE CITY OF HUXLEY, BELLA COMMERCIAL, AND NILLES ASSOCIATES BEFORE THE SITE IS FURTHER DISTURBED.

#### UTILITY CONTACTS

CITY OF HUXLEY WATER AND SEWER Contact Name: Keith Vitzthum Contact Phone: 515-290-7512

ALLIANT ENERGY- GAS AND ELECTRIC Contact Name: Jacob Clark Contact Phone: 515-268-4412

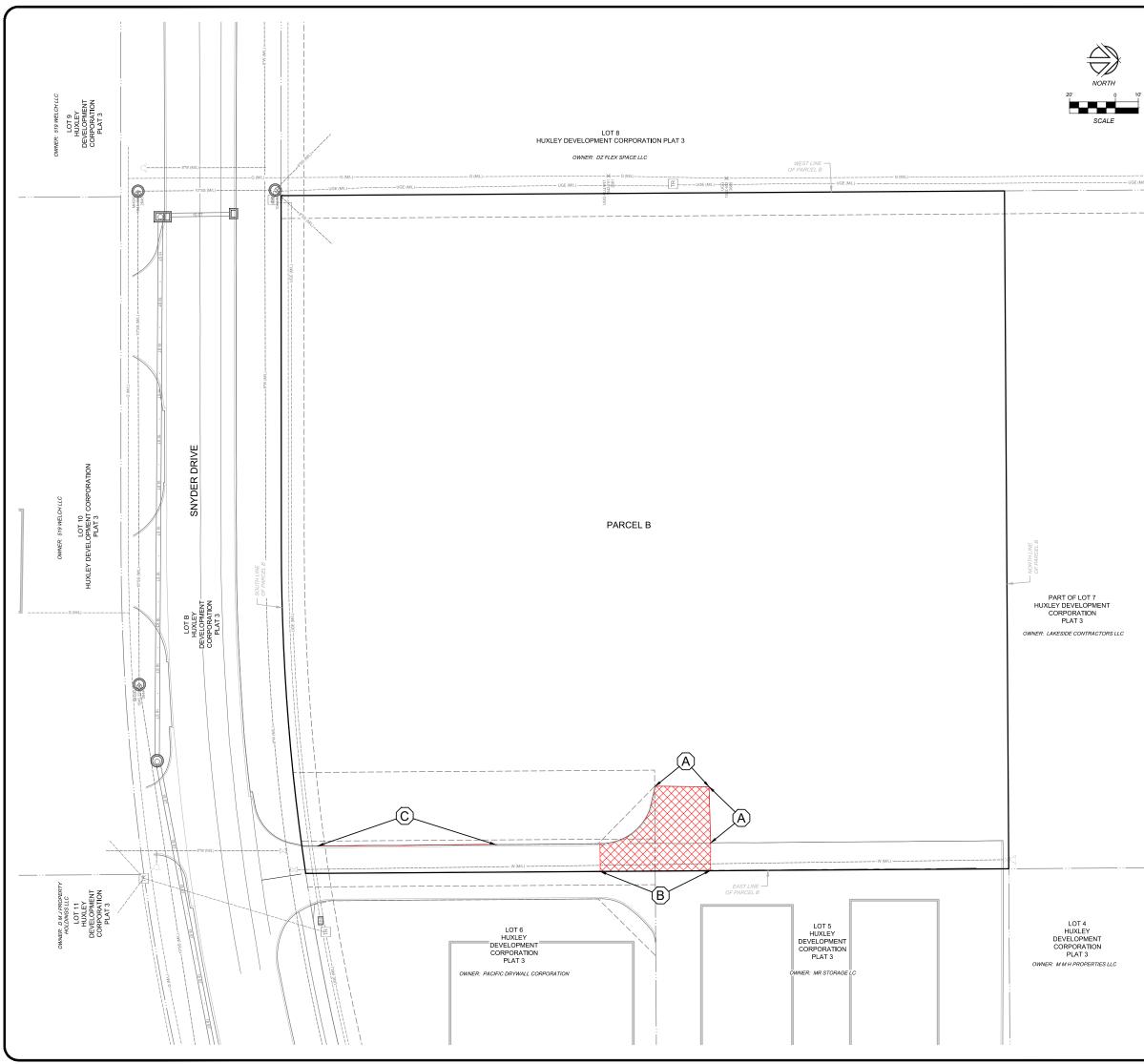
HUXLEY COMMUNICATIONS - PHONE/CABLE Contact Name: Brant Strumpfer Contact Phone: 515-203-6716



#### **PROJECT SUMMARY**

TOTAL SITE AREA:	93,249 SF, 2.14 ACRES
PROPOSED USE: BUILDING INFORMATION: TOTAL BUILDING COVERAGE: WAREHOUSE AREA: OFFICE AREA:	OFFICE / WAREHOUSE 1-STORY BUILDING 23,600 SF 20,800 SF 2,800 SF
TOTAL STALLS REQUIRED	1 SPACE / 5,000 SF GROSS FLOOR AREA = 5 SPACES
TOTAL PARKING PROVIDED	6 SPACES PLUS 1 VAN ACCESSIBLE SPACE
PRIVATE DRIVES & PARKING:	EXISTING = 4,400 SF ADDITION = 31,115 SF TOTAL = 35,515 SF
SIDEWALKS:	0.00 SF (ON-SITE) 1,360 SF (INCLUDING R.O.W)
COMBINED HARD SURFACE:	59,115 SF (63.4%) (ON-SITE) 60,475 SF (INCLUDING R.O.W)
OPEN SPACE INFORMATION:	34,134 SF (36.6%)
GREENSPACE:	34,134 SF (36.6%)
PROPERTY ZONING:	M-1
PROPERTY ADDRESS:	PARCEL B OF LOT 7 HUXLEY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION PLAT 3

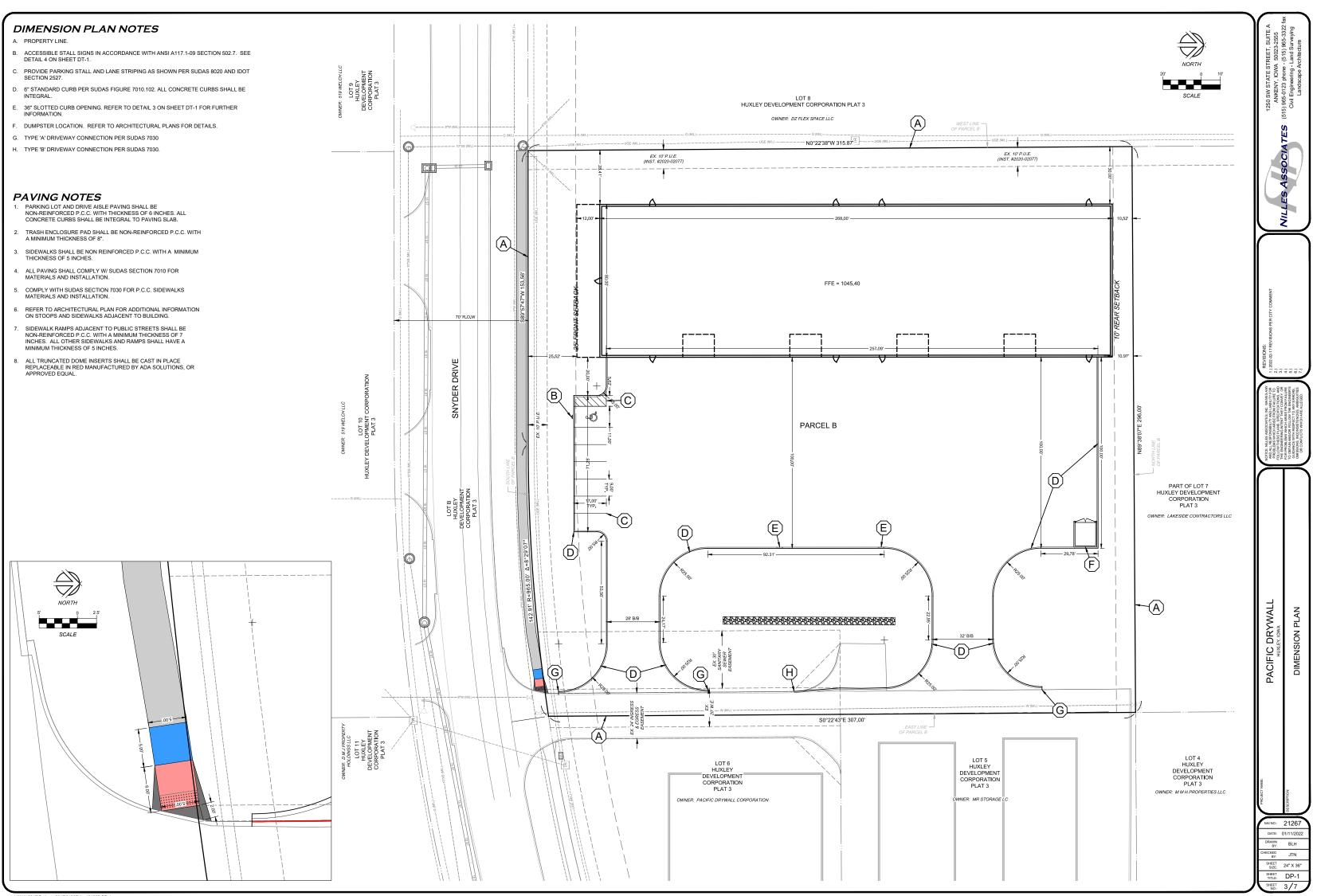
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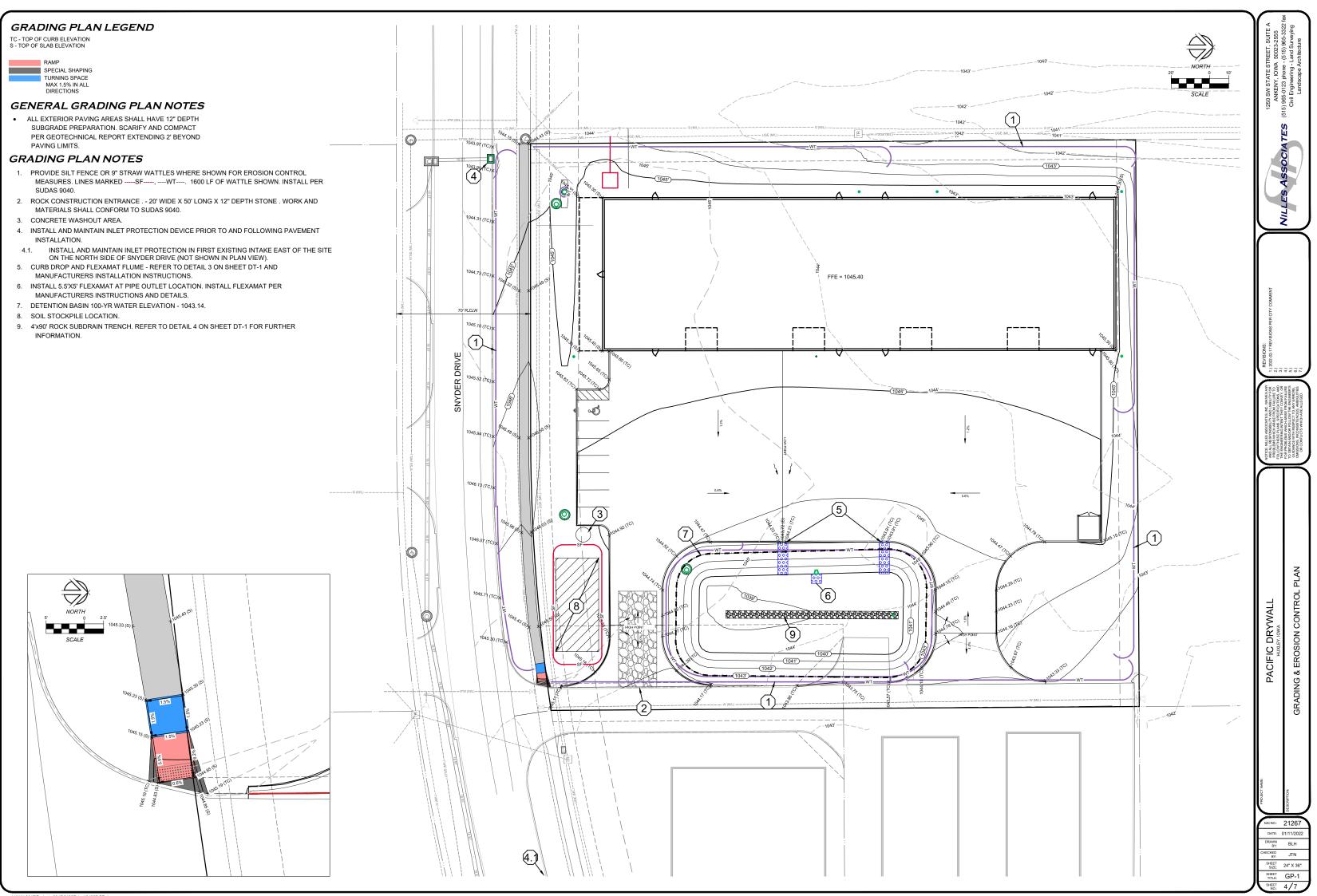
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- B. IF NECESSARY, REMOVE PANELS IN EXISTING DRIVE TO CREATE CLEAN JOINT FOR CONNECTION TO PROPOSED DRIVEWAY TIE-IN AND PLACEMENT OF CURB. REFER TO SHEET DP-1 AND GP-1 FOR MORE INFORMATION ON PROPOSED DRIVEWAY TIE-IN.
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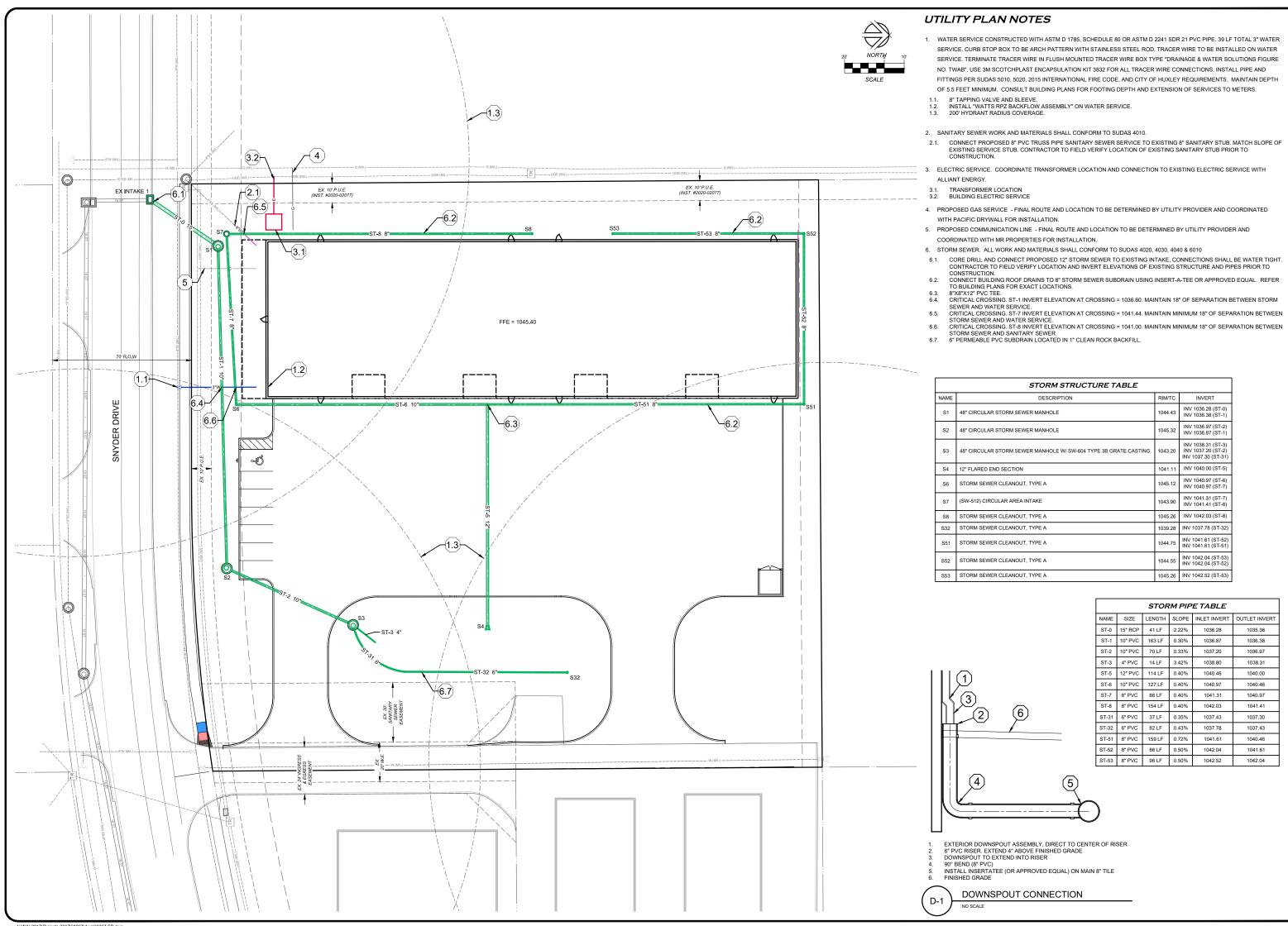
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WATER SERVICE CONSTRUCTED WITH ASTM D 1785, SCHEDULE 80 OR ASTM D 2241 SDR 21 PVC PIPE. 39 LF TOTAL 3" WATER SERVICE. CURB STOP BOX TO BE ARCH PATTERN WITH STAINLESS STEEL ROD. TRACER WIRE TO BE INSTALLED ON WATER SERVICE. TERMINATE TRACER WIRE IN FLUSH MOUNTED TRACER WIRE BOX TYPE "DRAINAGE & WATER SOLUTIONS FIGURE NO, TWAB", USE 3M SCOTCHPLAST ENCAPSULATION KIT 3832 FOR ALL TRACER WIRE CONNECTIONS, INSTALL PIPE AND FITTINGS PER SUDAS 5010, 5020, 2015 INTERNATIONAL FIRE CODE, AND CITY OF HUXLEY REQUIREMENTS. MAINTAIN DEPTH

OF 5.5 FEET MINIMUM. CONSULT BUILDING PLANS FOR FOOTING DEPTH AND EXTENSION OF SERVICES TO METERS.

2. SANITARY SEWER WORK AND MATERIALS SHALL CONFORM TO SUDAS 4010.

2.1. CONNECT PROPOSED 8" PVC TRUSS PIPE SANITARY SEWER SERVICE TO EXISTING 8" SANITARY STUB. MATCH SLOPE OF EXISTING SERVICE STUB. CONTRACTOR TO FIELD VERIFY LOCATION OF EXISTING SANITARY STUB PRIOR TO CONSTRUCTION.

3. ELECTRIC SERVICE. COORDINATE TRANSFORMER LOCATION AND CONNECTION TO EXISTING ELECTRIC SERVICE WITH

4. PROPOSED GAS SERVICE - FINAL ROUTE AND LOCATION TO BE DETERMINED BY UTILITY PROVIDER AND COORDINATED

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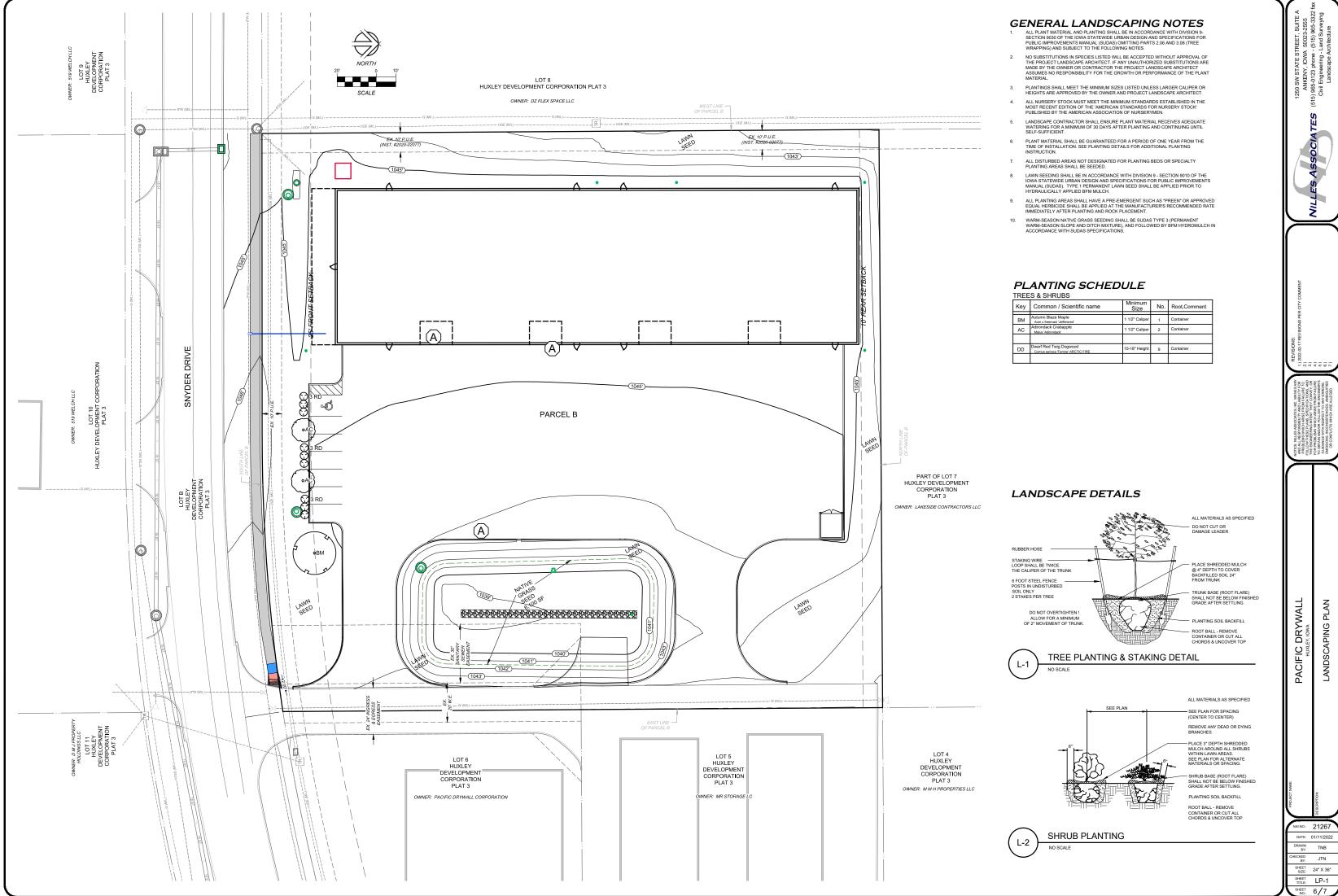
6. STORM SEWER. ALL WORK AND MATERIALS SHALL CONFORM TO SUDAS 4020, 4030, 4040 & 6010

6.1. CORE DRILL AND CONNECT PROPOSED 12" STORM SEWER TO EXISTING INTAKE. CONNECTIONS SHALL BE WATER TIGHT. CONTRACTOR TO FIELD VERIFY LOCATION AND INVERT ELEVATIONS OF EXISTING STRUCTURE AND PIPES PRIOR TO

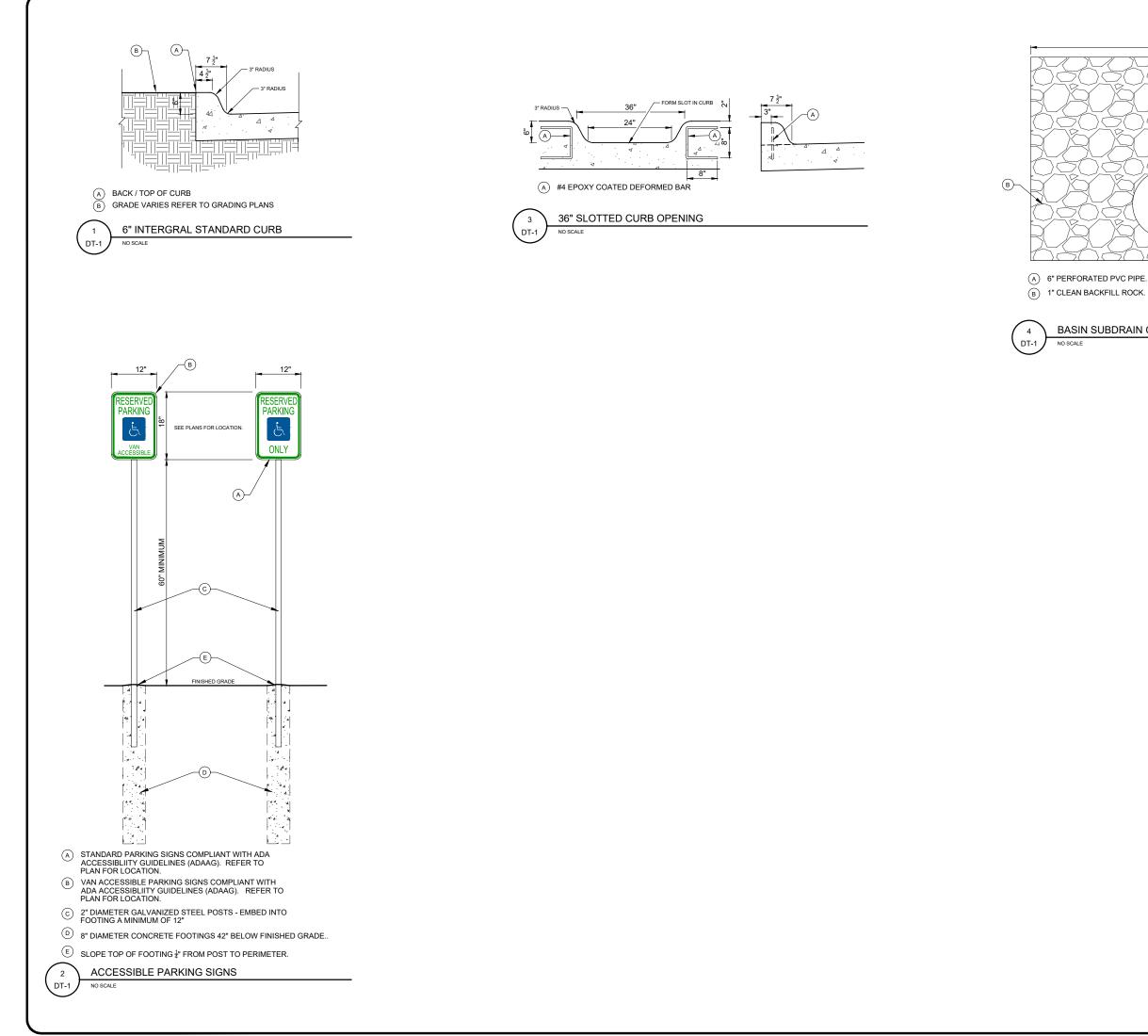
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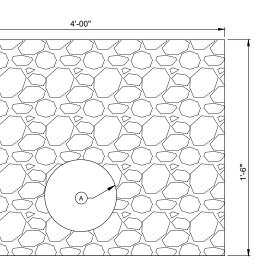
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ST-2	10" PVC	70 LF	0.33%	1037.20	1036.97	
ST-3	4" PVC	14 LF	3.42%	1038.80	1038.31	
ST-5	12" PVC	114 LF	0.40%	1040.46	1040.00	
ST-6	10" PVC	127 LF	0.40%	1040.97	1040.46	
ST-7	8" PVC	86 LF	0.40%	1041.31	1040.97	
ST-8	8" PVC	154 LF	0.40%	1042.03	1041.41	
ST-31	6" PVC	37 LF	0.35%	1037.43	1037.30	
ST-32	6" PVC	82 LF	0.43%	1037.78	1037.43	
ST-51	8" PVC	159 LF	0.72%	1041.61	1040.46	
ST-52	8" PVC	86 LF	0.50%	1042.04	1041.61	
ST-53	8" PVC	96 LF	0.50%	1042.52	1042.04	





IREE	IREES & SHRUBS				
Key	Common / Scientific name	Minimum Size	No.	Root,Comment	
	Autumn Blaze Maple				
BM	Acer x freemani 'Jeffersred'	1 1/2" Caliper	1	Container	
AC	Adirondack Crabapple Malus 'Adirondack'	1 1/2" Caliper	2	Container	
DD	Dwarf Red Twig Dogwood Comus serices 'Farrow' ARCTIC FIRE	15-18" Height	9	Container	





BASIN SUBDRAIN CROSS SECTION DETAIL



## PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION COMMUNICATION

#### AGENDA HEADING:

Development Concept East 1st Street & Deerwood Drive

#### SYNOPSIS:

Michael Kamp (30361 560<sup>th</sup> Avenue Cambridge, Iowa 50046), Adam Wuebker (56122 300<sup>th</sup> Street Cambridge, Iowa 50046) and Steve Tollefson (30314 560<sup>th</sup> Avenue Cambridge, Iowa 50046) are proposing a development concept for approximately 4.65 acres of property located between 520 and 600 East 1<sup>st</sup> Street, generally at the south side of the intersection of Deerwood Drive and East 1<sup>st</sup> Street.

The development team is asking two questions before they move further forward with due diligence of developing the property:

- The property is zone M-1. A rezoning to a land use allowing for development of 6 duplexes is requested. Would rezoning be supported by the City of Huxley?
- The City's 2013 Comprehensive Plan Major Streets Plan shows Deerwood Drive as a north-south connecting street that would cross the subject property. Would development of the property and relocation or realignment of the street be supported by the City of Huxley?

#### **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:**

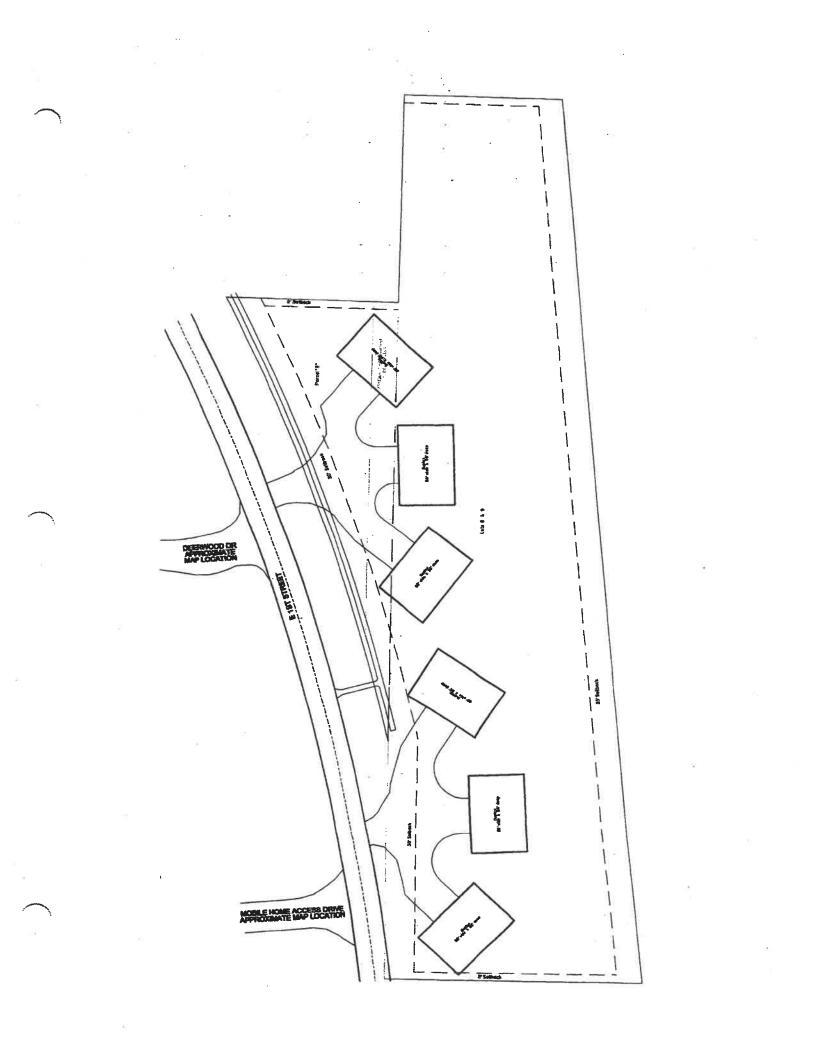
- City Council had a presentation of the general development concept January 11 and was generally supportive of the development team continuing to explore the concept.
- City staff has met with the development team to review variables of land use, zoning, utilities, transportation, access and stormwater management.
- The 2013 Major Streets Plan has been discussed and is provided to the Planning & Zoning Commission with packet information. Staff and the development team have reviewed the larger street network. Future neighborhood street connections to the south, and the existing/planned street network to the north have been generally evaluated.
- Planned modified connection to Heart of Iowa Nature Trail by Lilypad has been reviewed.

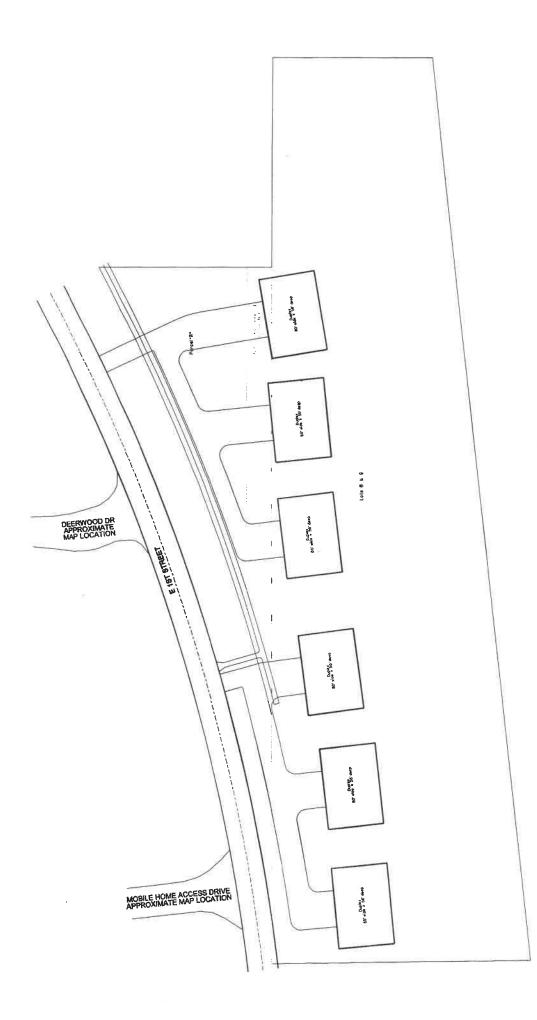
#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

- Consider compatibility with area zoning and land use (mixed use, medium density residential, mobile home, neighborhood commercial and general industrial).
- Potential for additional rezoning/redevelopment of M-1 uses to the west could be considered, with communication to owners on future interests for these properties.
- Ability to provide workable design for site access, parking and maneuvering of vehicles would need to be considered, along with the broader street network connectivity referenced above.

Meeting with th	Meeting with the Huxley City Council on 1/11/2022 at 6:00 P.M. to discuss rezoning property.	.M. to discuss rezoning property.	
<b>Proposal to rez</b> c The pro	<b>one approximately 4.5 acres known as the Ra</b> perty is located on the south side of East First stre	Proposal to rezone approximately 4.5 acres known as the Railroad Subdivision No. 1 from commercial to single family & duplex residential The property is located on the south side of East First street between the Manatts concrete plant and the Lily Pad.	single family & duplex residential Lily Pad.
Developers:	Michael Kamp 30361 560th Avenue, Cambridge, IA 50046 515-460-4250	Adam Wuebker 56122 300th Street, Cambridge, IA 50046 515-460-4454	Steve Tollefson 30314 560th Avenue, Cambridge, IA 50046 515-979-7413
<b>Project description</b> Build appro	<b>escription</b> Build approximately six duplexes to either own & operate or sell.	e or sell.	
Duplexe	Duplexes will be built with 55 plus clientele in mind but not limited to 55 plus.	lot limited to 55 plus.	
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Some d Additio	Some details regarding the units may include: Each unit of a duplex will be somewhere between 1,200 and 1,700 square feet. Garages will be larger two car. Units may be built to resemble single family homes. The units may not all be the same design. The colors may differ. Zero entry. Hallways, doors, and bathrooms to accommodate special needs. Storm shelter in each unit. Additional project details may include: Common area with a covered patio and fire pit. Access to the bike trail by bridge over the ravine. Mowing and snow removal included.	een 1,200 and 1,700 square feet. imes. ate special needs.	

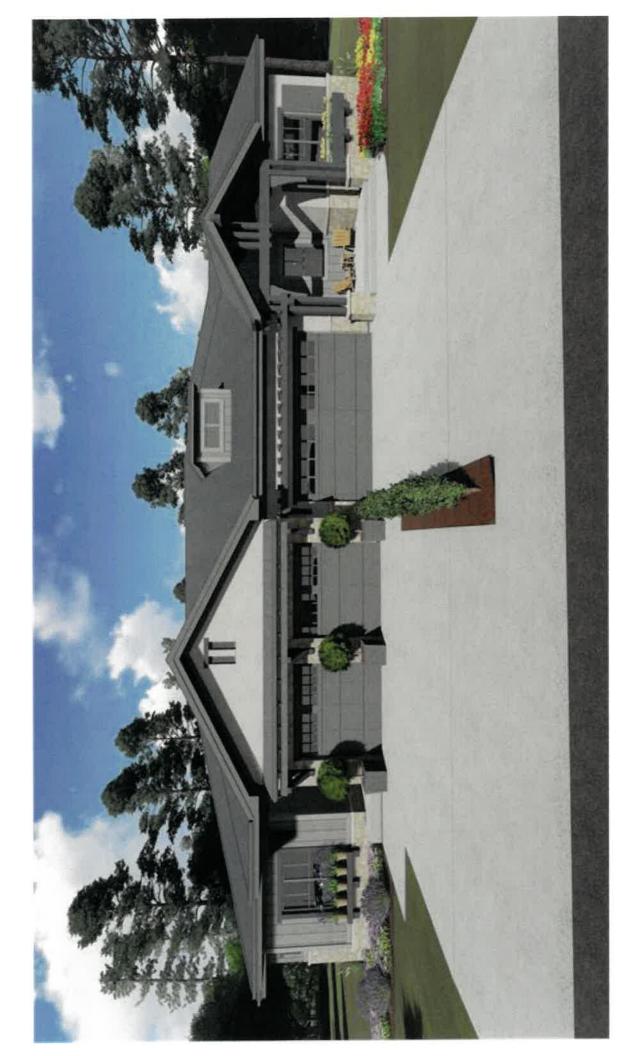
- The initial reason for pursuing residential housing was due to a need that we saw not only in our community, but in general for accessible living, also known as universally designed homes. The benefits of universally designed homes, specific to the older population is that it allows them to maintain independence and dignity for longer. It serves as a transitional space between a house and assisted living; thus eliminating the stigma & high costs associated with assisted living. The bike path and other residential homes in the area also help to connect that population to their community and remain active, which may further delay the need for assisted living services.
- The concept of universally designed homes also means that it is built for all ages, across the lifespan. The same features that make the duplex accessible to an older adult can make the duplex more functional and practical for those with small families. People choose to move to Huxley due to its location between two major lowa cities. These duplexes would be a great opportunity for the small family to live with ease, close to a daycare, bike path, and within walking distance to Huxley's core highway.
- Huxley has been making concerted efforts to prioritize and update existing buildings off the main corridors for business purposes. As businesses grow, more of a need for residential housing will grow too.





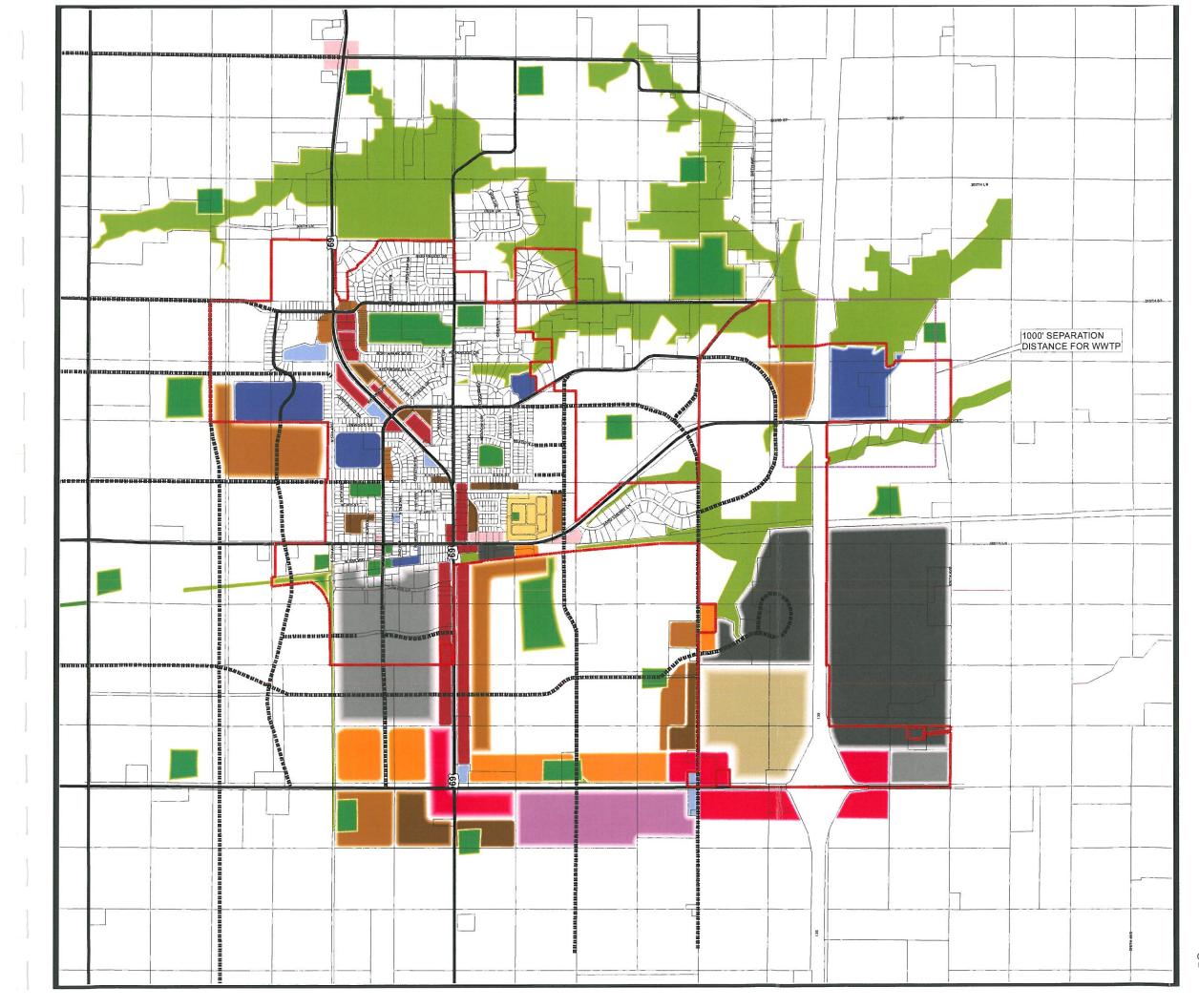
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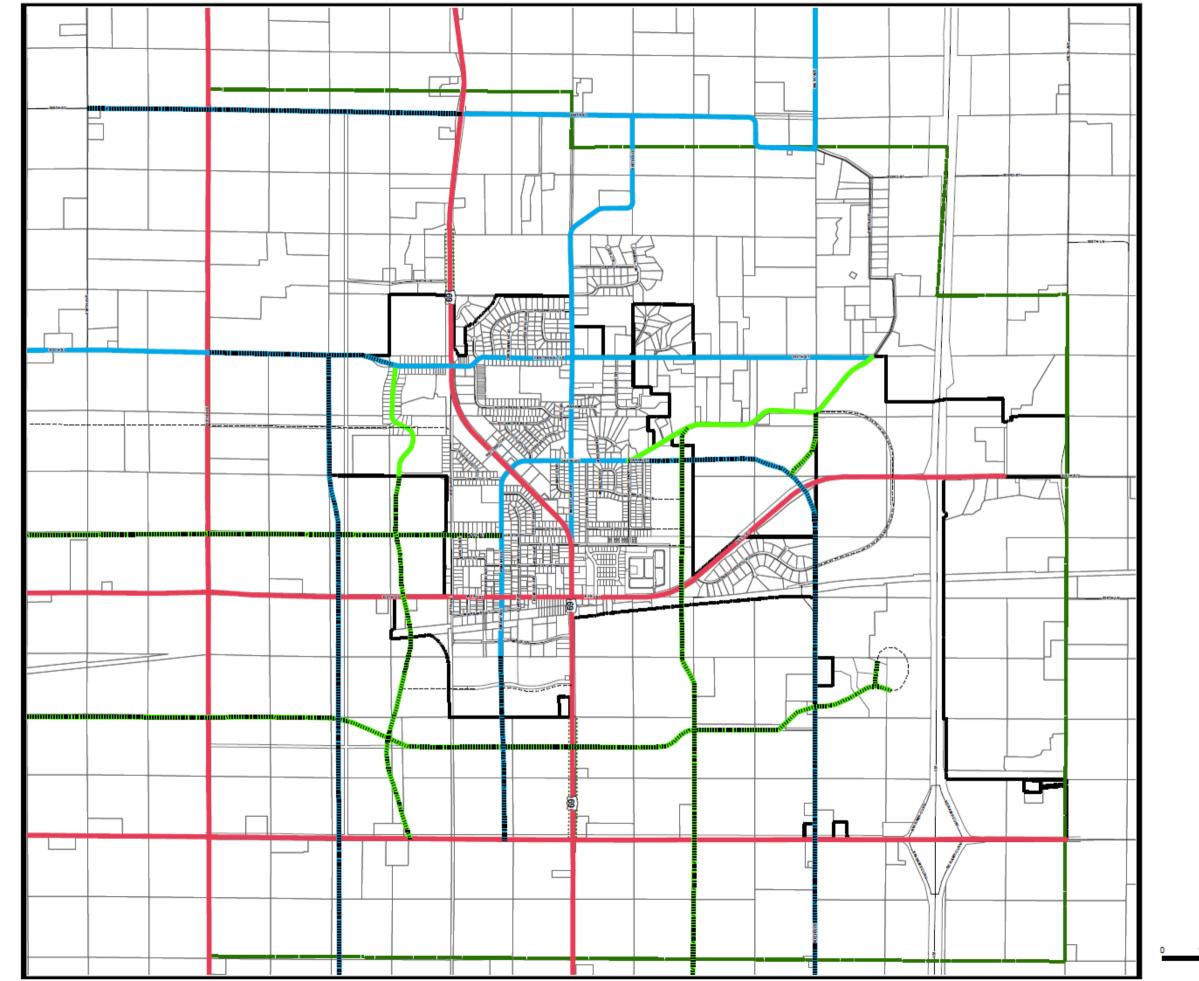
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	Mixed Use
	Mobile Home
	Highway Commercial
	Neighborhood Commercial
	Retail/Office
	Office Park
	General/Heavy Industrial
	Light Industrial
	Light Industrial/Agribusiness
	Civic Government/Schools
	Civic Religious
	Parks
	Open Space/Golf Course
	Major Street - Future
	Major Street - Existing
-	Corporate Boundary

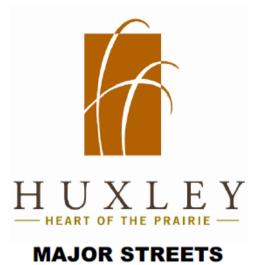
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	Local Street - Future
	Planning Boundary
	Corporate Boundary

#### 2013 Comprehensive Plan Update Figure 7-5



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#### **ASSESSMENT TEAM**

The Iowa Economic Development Authority's Assessment Team included three downtown development professionals:



**JIM THOMPSON** CMSM, HREDFP, serves as a Downtown Economic Development Specialist covering development for downtown districts for the Iowa Economic Development Authority. He served at the local level in all aspects including program director, board member and volunteer. Jim received certification as a Historic Real Estate Development Finance Professional from the National Development Council. He earned his Certified Main Street Managers credentials through the National Main Street Center. He engages communities in market analysis including data analysis, business retention, recruitment, and implementation strategies. He has also led efforts in tax increment finance, urban revitalization, housing & real estate development,

branding and one-on-one business technical assistance for Iowa's communities. Jim serves on the Iowa Rural Development Council Executive Board and leads the Empower Rural Iowa Leadership Taskforce. Jim is the grant administrator for the Community Catalyst Building Remediation grant program. He has over 25 years' experience in community development, retail management and served on a City Council for 10 years. Jim has also served as a consultant for the National Main Street Center, worked in several states and presented multiple times at the National Main Streets Conference.



**LIESL SEABERT** is a Florida native who moved to Iowa in 2016. She is a licensed attorney and has a background in community development, placemaking, and consensus building. Currently Liesl works as the Rural Community Revitalization Program Manager within the new Center for Rural Revitalization in the Iowa Economic Development Authority. In this role, Liesl is responsible for managing the Governor's Empower Rural Iowa Initiative, focused on developing policy recommendations addressing rural Iowa concerns through three task forces as well as implementing outcomes. Liesl serves as an ex-officio executive member of the Iowa Rural Development Council, is a member of the Main Street Iowa Advisory Council, is the

2022 Vice President of the APA Iowa Chapter, is a member of the Florida Bar and Georgia Bar, holds a BA from the College of William and Mary, JD from Florida State Law School, and MSP from Florida State University College of Urban and Regional Planning.



**DENNIS REYNOLDS** delivers award winning master planning, urban design, site design and public art with his unique combination of innovative design; presentation and listening skills; quick hand drawings; and pro-active facilitation of the design process. Prior to creating his own consulting practice, Reynolds Urban Design, he provided senior level design services and leadership at HOK (Kansas City), Sasaki (Boston) and NBBJ (Columbus). He founded and led the innovative HOK S+V+E "Design Studio", facilitating cutting edge multi-disciplined design concepts. His major projects include Ho Chi Minh City's Thu Thiem Peninsula Master Plan, Nanjing Olympic Sports Park (that hosted the 2005 China Games and the 2008 Summer Olympics), The Great American

Ballpark for the Cincinnati Reds and the Dubai Autodrome Formula One Racing Community. As Director of Design for a major Midwest real estate development company from 2005 to 2011, Dennis was responsible for groundbreaking projects including the "New Urbanist" Village of Ponderosa and "Shimmer" lakeside terrace. Recent projects include urban design, site design and public art for the



emerging downtown Des Moines Bridge District, the North Kansas City Vision Plan, East Village's City Square, Bondurant's Swings and Fireflies, Overland Park Medical Center's "Heritage" public art trail and Edina Grandview Urban Design Concepts. Dennis has a Bachelor of Arts from Wheaton College with concentrations in Fine Arts, Economics and Group Dynamics and a Masters of Landscape Architecture from Kansas State University. He has served on both the Urban Design Review Board for the City of Des Moines and the Iowa Urban Land Institute Board, volunteers for multiple Dog Rescue groups and provides therapy dog visits with Mister Cotton.



#### OVERVIEW

The following report summarizes the observations and recommendations resulting from an Iowa Downtown Resource Center Walk Around conducted in Huxley, Iowa on September 8-9, 2021.In preparation of this report, the Assessment Team learned about Huxley's development history and plans for future development.

This Downtown Walk Around report and recommendations for Huxley are based on the Team's downtown development experience. Their beliefs are grounded by the philosophy that for Downtown to re-establish itself as the social and commercial center of the community—the physical heart and soul of the city—Downtown must become more valuable physically, economically, socially, and politically.

#### INTRODUCTION

**HUXLEY**, (pop 4,244) the Heart of the Prairie, is a welcoming community in Story County. Huxley's location between Ames and Ankeny/Des Moines has led to steady growth, but the community has maintained its small-town atmosphere. Each year the community gets together for the annual Prairie Festival. The community and Ballard Community School District support each other. Some call Huxley "a bedroom community" which this team considers a real compliment because your residents choose to live in Huxley. In reality, 1,691 residents drive out of town to work, but 1,081 out of towners drive to Huxley to work.

Downtown Huxley has seen disinvestment through the years, largely due to traffic routes to the east and the development that comes with it. The downtown is off the beaten path. The

downtown has few buildings and businesses and most of the buildings that still stand are in dire need of attention. A new business like Fenceline Beer Lab gives people a reason to turn west into the downtown area. Almost all Huxley residents would welcome efforts to bring back the downtown. This was evident on this two-day visit. People showed up and expressed concern. Some would keep it simple and focus on cleaning the downtown up. Others would like to see more aggressive actions to create a place where people can go to do business, walk, have a cup of coffee, and enjoy events. Few people want to abandon it. Downtown is a symbol of:

- Economic Health
- Public & Private partnership
- Local quality of life

DON'T GIVE UP ON THIS!

- Local pride
- Community history





## **CAPACITY BUILDING**

The establishment of a structure of leaders, volunteers, organizations, cooperation, ideas, and funds is essential for a community to reach its vision and consistently complete positive projects. It is extremely important for Huxley to identify leaders. Look around the table. Who isn't here that should be? Consider demographics, talents, occupations, etc.

Being a welcoming community to residents and businesses that actively seeks their involvement is CRITICAL to a community's success. Find out what people are passionate about and respond by getting them involved in projects that match their interests.

#### **RESOURCES & IDEAS FOR LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT & CAPACITY**

#### Action Steps:

- Get involved with Empower Rural Iowa which offers the following grant programs in which we feel are perfect for Huxley:
  - <u>Rural Leadership Bootcamp Grant</u>: This grant provides training, mentorship and funding to rural communities and regions initiating a leadership program.
  - <u>Rural Leadership Exchange</u>: This annual event is an opportunity for you to network and hear best practices in the area of leadership development from organizations across the state
- Consider a <u>Power of Connections Grant</u> through the Iowa Rural Development Council (IRDC) and ITC Midwest. This economic development program is designed to pair rural communities seeking assistance with IRDC resource teams. Those teams drive both community conversations and solution development for problems and projects. Grants up to \$5,000 may be awarded for capacity building, strategic planning, studies, or assessment. Contact IRDC Executive Director Bill Menner for more information at <u>director@iowardc.org</u>
  - <u>Rural Child Care Market Study Grant</u>: Planning for the success of your community is bigger than just comprehensive plans or leadership programming, understanding the needs of your workers and residents is a huge part of community viability. Childcare is a challenge across rural communities in Iowa and across the nation. However, the solutions are often more complicated than the construction of a new facility. The Rural Child Care Market Study Grant program seeks to support the use of data and analysis by rural communities to determine the specific needs and solutions for their area. \$10,000 grant award.
  - <u>Rural Innovation Grant</u>: This Empower Rural Iowa Program seeks to support creative, nontraditional ideas that focus on current issues and challenges faced by rural communities associated with the themes of community investment, growth, and connection. Up to \$20,000 grant award.

#### **ATTRACTION & RETENTION**

#### Action Steps:

- Look at and consider incentives to attract and engage people. For example:
  - <u>Clinton, Iowa,</u> a Home Base city, offers incentives to veterans to relocate to Clinton. Incentives like reimbursements for interview travel expenses, home purchase closing costs reimbursements, and a Clinton County Business License fee waiver for veterans opening a business.



- The Dubuque Community Foundation is developing an incentive program (funded in part by the Rural Innovation Grant) to place teachers in rural communities and engage them in local activities.
- Johnson City, Tennessee developed the <u>Johnson City Remote program</u> which gives new residents up to \$5,000 when they work remotely from Johnson City, including a gift certificate towards the purchase of a bike or kayak to promote local recreational assets.
- The <u>Rural Return Grant Program</u>, offered through the Center for Rural Revitalization, seeks to support creative programming that attracts new residents to move and/or work in rural communities.



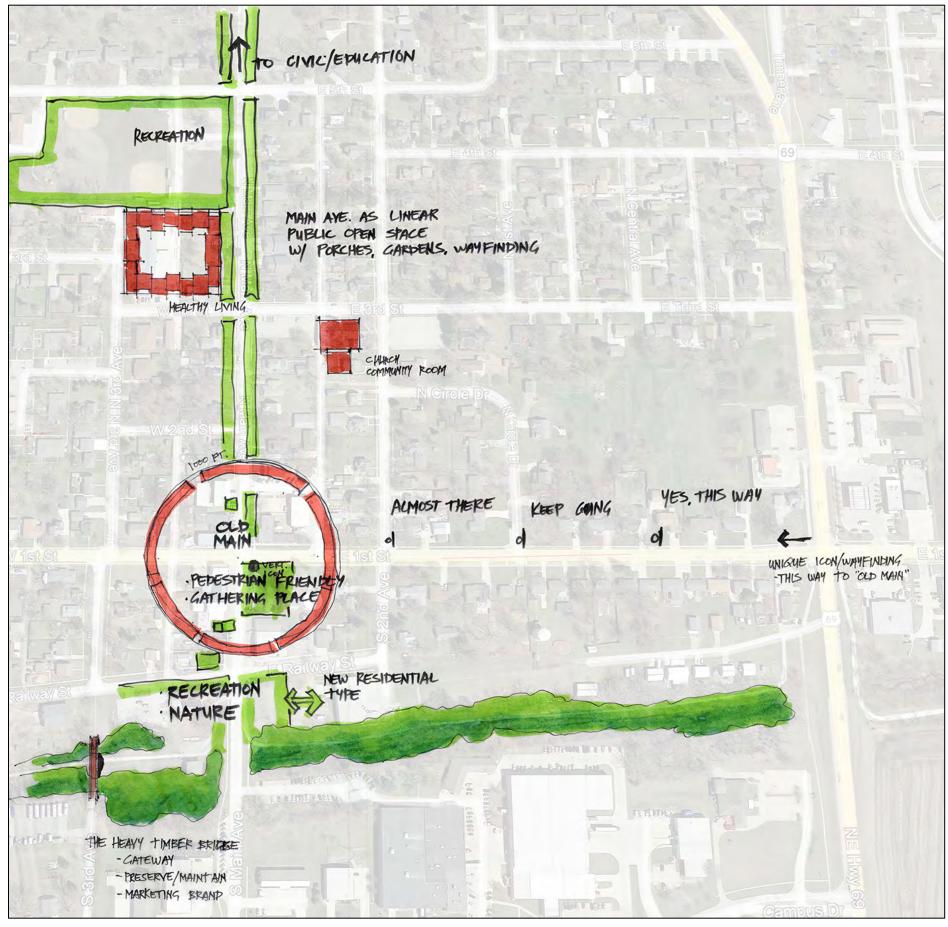
#### VISION & REDEVELOPMENT

Every community/downtown needs a plan. This includes community driven ideas, rehabilitation and new sites, development of ready sites and connections to recreation. Downtown Huxley is perhaps more of a blank slate than your typical downtown because of the lack of density, vacant lots, and vacant buildings. Downtown is a place to come together as a community, a place that is 1) safe; 2) comfortable; and 3) interesting. The following recommendations address those three things and how Huxley can get there one step at a time.

#### Action Steps:

- Downtown Huxley...what is it known by? Old Main? Help establish identity. Name it.
- Use unique icon/signage/art on the corner of Hwy 69 and 1<sup>st</sup> Street. Indicate "Old Main is this way!" Place recurring "Burma Shave" signs on that route (all the way to the downtown) with messages like, "Almost there!"
- The vegetation on the south edge of the downtown provides a beautiful backdrop to the amphitheater and district. The heavy timber bridge is great. Maintain this feature. Make sure it is linked to the trail system.
- A good rule of thumb for a compact downtown core is 1,000 feet. This is a doable focus area for downtown Huxley. Think of downtown as a "linear park"....a place to interact.









- · SAFETY ANT ICON BOLLARDS @ 20'06 × 12' HT
- · PROTECT PEDESTRIANS AND DUILDINGS
- · PROVIDE COLOR, INTEREST ... TELL A STORY THEY ART
- · CALL FOR ARTISTS/HIGH SCHOOL ART & THEATRE CLASS

- · RESTORE ORIGINAL FACADES
- · + ZO' DEEP LINER RETAIL
- · FLEXIBLE SPACE @ Z BAYS: 25'X20' EA.
- . TRANSOM SIGNAGE
- . INSET ENTRIES

- · MARKET COURTYARD

- · ART WALL
- ·SHORT TERM LEASES/SEASONAL/EVENTS



· SMALL SHOPS 7'X12' @ 4 (POP-UP PODS) · STICK BUILT OR RE-PURPOSED SHIPPING CONTAINERS

#### Action Steps:

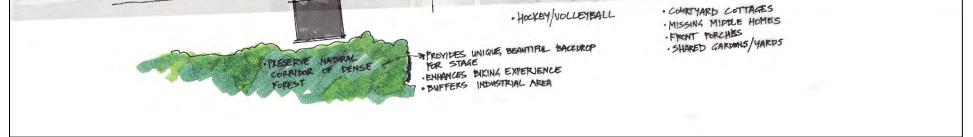
• The rehabilitation of the International Building would be a transformational project for downtown Huxley and potentially create development ready business space. Consider the Community Catalyst Building Remediation grant. Restore original facades with first 20 feet for two commercial spaces. Feature transom signage and recessed entries.



- Install aluminum art bollards to the south of the building to protect pedestrians. Make a call to artists.
- Develop a market courtyard by adding an art wall and four popup buildings north of the International Building for retail incubator space or a crowd building business such as popcorn stand. Execute short-term leases. Add a trailhead shelter (Norwegian influenced) to serve as another place to meet and enhance the first impression some users of the downtown see. Include trail maps, water, bike maintenance, and features that tell Huxley's story.
- Add interactive public art by the exercise equipment park along the trail to beautify and strengthen the link between the park and downtown district. Examples include musical sculptures, engaging murals, or functional art pieces such as benches, trash bins, and bike racks.
- Long-term goal: Single family homes/cottages (in block across street from park) with front porches, shared gardens, and yards. This would also serve as a great location for ice rinks, volleyball, and hockey to bring people downtown.
- Add Norwegian influenced trailhead shelter to serve as another place to meet and enhance the first impression some users of the downtown see. Include trail maps, water, bike maintenance, and features that tell Huxley's story.













#### Action Steps:

- One block north of amphitheater park, strengthen connection to the park with an outdoor market and indoor market in building where apartment unit is currently being done. Create a respite spot in the space north of this building with a bench and tree.
- Build a new stick-built 2-story building to create density in the middle of this block (in vacant lot), ideally for food & beverage on first floor and 2<sup>nd</sup> floor residential. Add parking in alleys and install video art on blank wall by garden.
- Add color and detail to Fenceline Beer Lab and all of your downtown buildings.

**PLACEMAKING FEATURES** – The simplest definition is "placemaking is the process of creating quality places that people want to live, work, play and learn in." To accomplish this goal in downtown Huxley, consider the mix of uses, recreational elements, safety/accessibility, feeling of connectedness, aesthetics, and branding. Huxley claims a rich culture and history, tied to its heritage. This culture can help develop a strong sense of place in the downtown.

#### Action Steps:

- Consider ways to activate underused spaces with art, seating areas, and lighting.
- Ensure there are places for people to gather, both casually on a daily basis and for larger events or activities. There are multiple parks that currently serve the large event needs. How are these spaces connected to the downtown?
- Consider community projects to beautify areas, such as a yarn bomb, public interactive mural project, or community garden space (in containers or an underutilized green space within downtown).
- Add charm, functionality, and heritage to streetscape design through lighting, signage, trash bins, banners, bike racks, benches, planters, etc. Consider how all the pieces of the streetscape interact and complement each other.

#### **COMMUNITY ACTION**

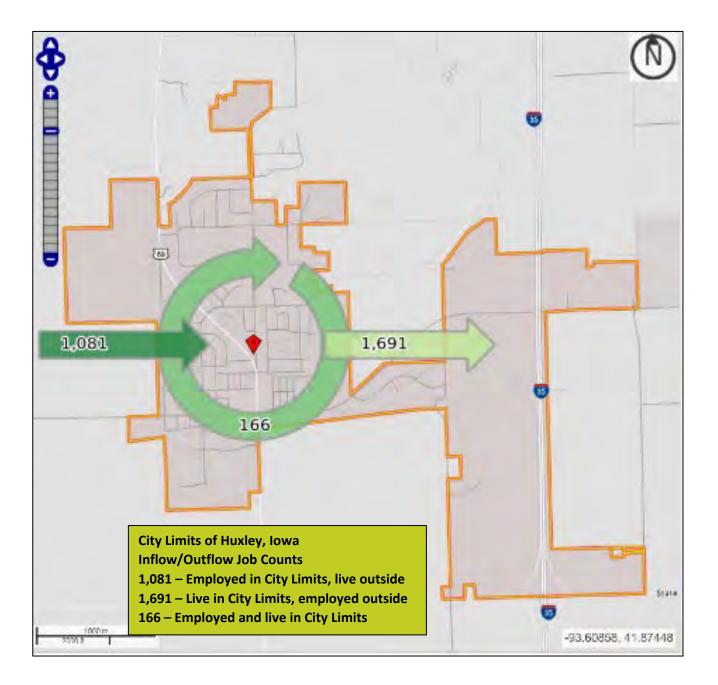
This report lays out ideas for Huxley to build capacity to be in a better position to influence change in the downtown and many recommendations to liven up public spaces, rehabilitate or build new structures, connect the business community with recreation and bolster potential business offerings. But community leaders must also consider policies and projects that spur this kind of development to happen.

Buildings, vacant lots, and other challenges have existed in downtown Huxley for so long...... residents may not be able to envision downtown's future potential or think that it could ever be a place they would someday frequent......investors also may not be able to see the possibilities. Changing perspectives of your residents and building investor confidence is not easy, it doesn't just HAPPEN. In order to set the stage for the future success of downtown, a group of committed leaders must come forth to establish priorities and benchmarks that drive incremental improvements. Here are additional recommendations.



#### Action Steps:

- More than 1,081 people that do not LIVE in Huxley WORK in Huxley. If housing were readily available, would they consider living in Huxley? 50% of occupied homes in Huxley are occupied by one person. Would these owners be interested in safer, lower maintenance situations, thus opening housing opportunities for others? There appears to be ample opportunity for active adult or age in place housing in Huxley. This must start with identifying the vacant homes, coupled with the opportunity to create a more appropriate local housing inventory.
- Nothing says community pride more than the condition of its downtown buildings. Buildings are what
  makes a downtown unique. To have a successful downtown that attracts residents and visitors, you
  simply must look GOOD. This isn't simply an aesthetics challenge. Business growth and activity are
  much more likely to happen if investors have CONFIDENCE in the district. They must be able to
  SEE the possibilities. Demolition by neglect is alive and well in Huxley. Some of the downtown
  buildings have seen such limited maintenance that they are far from being business ready.





- The cost of a vacant, commercial building to a community is staggering. (see below)
- Develop both incentives and ordinances so this will not happen in the future.
- Inventory every building in the downtown district.
  - A great place to start is with the Beacon report on each address.
  - Current ownership and use should be the priority.
  - Start a dialog with building owners
- Leverage local incentives to maximize state and federal programs. Pick a couple of these opportunities and match them up with Huxley buildings. For example, the Community Catalyst Building Remediation program has potential in downtown Huxley.

<b>\$220,000</b> Cost to the Community				
Building Owner	\$8,400 in rents \$5,040 in property value			
Local Government	\$100 in property tax \$5,000 in sales tax			
State Government	\$15,000 in sales tax			
Utility Companies	\$4,700 for utilities, telephone and internet			
Banks	\$39,500 in loan demand \$2,200 in bank fees and interest \$17,000 in deposits			
Suppliers	\$1,300 in maintenance and repairs \$500 in printing and copying \$900 in supplies			
Professional Services	\$2,700 in insurance premiums \$900 in legal and accounting fees \$500 in property management fees			
Media	\$6,200 in advertising, marketing and PR expenditures			
Workers	\$56,800 as employees of that business \$31,500 in business owner's compensation and profit \$24,100 workers elsewhere in the community			
	SOURCE: Estimates of the cost of an empty building were based, in part, on RMA® Annual Statement Studies			



#### STATE INCENTIVES:

Downtown Revitalization Fund CDBG Community Facilities & Services Community Catalyst Building Remediation Nuisance Property & Abandoned Building Remediation CDBG Housing Rehabilitation Workforce Housing Tax Credit Redevelopment Tax Credits <u>Historic Tax Credits</u> <u>Historic Preservation Tax Credit</u> <u>Federal Tax Credit</u> <u>Property Tax Exemption</u> <u>ADA Federal Tax Credit</u> <u>Empower Rural Iowa</u> <u>Rural Housing Assessment Grant Program</u> <u>Rural Innovation Grant Program</u>

#### Action Steps:

- Develop mini grants for projects like signs, paint, awnings, slipcover removal, windows, etc.
- Huxley has a first-floor housing ordinance. Enforce this. Nothing stops a downtown from realizing its development goals, business needs and pedestrian traffic more than commercial space housing.
- Investigate options for new ordinances.
  - <u>Minimum Maintenance Ordinance</u>. This ordinance requirement is intended to preserve the structural integrity of the building and property values while assuring a clean and attractive community.
  - <u>Vacant Building Ordinance</u>. This ordinance addresses current or future vacant commercial and industrial buildings which are dilapidated, unsafe, or inadequately maintained creating or contributing to blight. The city seeks to assure the property maintenance of vacant buildings for the purpose of preserving and promoting public health and safety and preventing public and private nuisances and potential fire hazards.
  - Vacant Building Registry. Owners have 30 days from the date the building becomes vacant to file this form. The cost to register is free for the initial filing and the first 6-month period. If after the six-month period the building continues to remain vacant, an inspection of the building will be made, and a fee will be charged. Each subsequent one-year period of vacancy will trigger a re-inspection and fee. Owner is responsible for all exterior and interior as well as lot maintenance. Failure to properly maintain the vacant building could result in increased renewal fees.
- Become more familiar with historic property redevelopment and become more proactive in rehabilitating downtown properties. Visit other communities that have made an impact in their downtown with building rehabilitation initiatives. Talk to them about their challenges, the designs of the buildings, financing, etc. The Iowa Downtown Resource Center can help you identify communities that have had success. Examples would include Jefferson and State Center, Iowa. These communities have done amazing things with downtown buildings that many residents would have considered ready for the wrecking ball.
- Organize a downtown walking tour with city officials, business owners and residents after Huxley receives the Downtown Assessment report. Ask tour takers to jot down red flags, opportunities, and ideas. Meet after the tour and get these things on paper. Prioritize ideas from the walking tour.
- Share the results of the Assessment report. Talk to local partners. Prioritize the recommendations and look for some quick, easy wins.
- Develop a task force to carry out the prioritized projects. Give quarterly updates to the community.



 Typically, when assessing a downtown, time is spent on generating leads for business recruitment, developing new events, etc. In Huxley's case EARLIER attention needs to go into improving aesthetics and functionality of buildings and spaces BEFORE more people are brought downtown. However, some modest efforts can be made to start promoting downtown Huxley as a place to invest like this simple sign that shows a downtown space just yearning to be turned into a business.



#### SUMMARY

We thank Huxley for inviting us to evaluate your downtown. Huxley has opportunities to improve what the downtown has to offer. And half of the battle is almost always finding leaders that care about the downtown and want to see something happen. Huxley has that. The condition of the downtown buildings, improvement of public spaces and connections are priorities. We hope our recommendations can help community leaders and volunteers develop plans for even more successful projects. We encourage you to get together and talk to determine what your priorities are and assign which organizations can begin addressing them. Now may be a good time to survey residents to gain their insight on local issues and to help identify priorities to address moving forward. Don't become another suburb. Do what you can to include your history, culture, and unique characteristics including your Norwegian heritage, train stop history and location on the regional bike path. Get involved. Come to the lowa Downtown Conference. Subscribe to our newsletter. Stay connected!

#### **RESOURCES:**

#### 10 Great Examples for Huxley:

- <u>Characteristics of a Successful Downtown</u>
- <u>A Checklist for Rehabilitating Historic</u> <u>Buildings</u>
- <u>4- to 3-Lane Conversion</u>
- Better Block
- Tactical Urbanist's Guide

- Project for Public Spaces
- <u>8 80 Cities</u>
- Sustainable Development Code
- <u>Creative Placemaking & the Arts Resource</u> <u>Guide</u>
- <u>Creative Placemaking Manual</u>

**Design Renderings** – click <u>here</u> to download the design renderings developed for Huxley, lowa by the lowa Economic Development Authority.

**Online Resources** – The Iowa Downtown Resource Center (IDRC) has gathered a wide variety of community resource examples to help further your local revitalization initiatives. Click <u>here</u> to review examples ranging from promotional activities, fundraising, market analysis, downtown housing, public spaces, etc.





# MAIN AVENDE REVITALIZATION

Committee meeting rebruary 24, 2022

- Last meeting: overview of September 2021 stakeholder session
- Downtown Walk Around Report from IEDA Downtown Group
- Reviewed preliminary drawings and concepts from report
- Highlights and goals: small businesses, historic preservation, parks/ open space
  - > Pedestrian friendly scale, design standards, alley parking, indoor/outdoor markets
  - > Bike parking, Heart of Iowa Nature Trail connection, event expansion/amphitheater
  - > Activate with street level commercial services, murals, signage, benches, planters
  - > Second story housing (employees, business owners, new residents), community gardens
  - > Activate space for all-families, seniors, students, healthy living,
  - Next steps.....

RECAP



DOWNTOWN WALK AROUND REPORT

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- 1. Establish Why -- Reaffirm why we're embarking on this journey for the community
- 2. Highlight Reality -- Acknowledge potential obstacles, challenges, and roadblocks
- 3. Clarify Vision -- Describe how we envision the district will look, feel, and function in the future once its reached its full potential and achieved the desired transformations

- Breakout group suggestions
  - Marketing & Branding
    - Murals, signage, messaging, owner's association, events, park & trail connections
  - Streetscape and Design Standards
    - Additional design work to advance vision, review of other city old towns, Norwegian history, scale of new buildings
  - Real Estate and Property
    - Condition evaluations, meeting with owners, facilitating connections, build partners

# NEXT STEPS















# CITY OF HUXLEY

- City Council priority and involvement
  - Mayor Kevin Deaton
  - Mayor Pro Tem David Kuhn
  - Councilmember Tracey Roberts
  - Councilmember Rory Echer
  - Councilmember Niko Pilcher
  - Councilmember Kevin Thompson
  - Former Mayor, Police Chief and Huxley Historian Nels Nord
- Staff support and technical advisement
- Investigation of financing sources, grants, etc. and informing committee
- Support subcommittees
   and full committee