



AGENDA
CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MERIDIAN
TOWNSHIP BOARD – REGULAR MEETING
April 23, 2019 6:00 pm

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER
2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/INTRODUCTIONS
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 - B. Fireworks Ordinance-**Final Adoption**
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13. BOARD DISCUSSION ITEMS (ORCHID)
 - A. Zoning Amendment #19030 (Township Board) Medical Marihuana
 - B. Rezoning #19020 (Township Board) Martinus Street
 - C. Mixed Use Planned Unit Development #18034 (Meridian Investment Group LLC) Red Cedar Manor
 - D. Special Use Permit #18031 (Meridian Investment Group LLC) Red Cedar Manor
 - E. Zoning Amendment #19040 (Township Board) Senior Living Communities
 - F. Local Street Improvement Program Funding
 - G. Central Park Road/Newman Road – Road Diet
 - H. 2018 International Fire Code with Township Amendments
 - I. Kansas Road Sewer SAD #52 Reapportionment
14. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC
15. OTHER MATTERS AND BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS
16. ADJOURNMENT
17. POSTSCRIPT-BRETT DREYFUS

All comments limited to 3 minutes, unless prior approval for additional time for good cause is obtained from the Supervisor.
Appointment of Supervisor Pro Tem and/ or Temporary Clerk if necessary.

Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services should contact the Meridian Township Board by contacting:
Township Manager Frank L. Walsh, 5151 Marsh Road, Okemos, MI 48864 or 517.853.4258 - Ten Day Notice is Required.
Meeting Location: 5151 Marsh Road, Okemos, MI 48864 Township Hall

**CLERK'S OFFICE BOARD
COMMUNICATIONS
April 23, 2019**

**BOARD INFORMATION
(BI)**

Riley Millard

From: STEPHEN BOYD <stephenaboyd@comcast.net>
Sent: Tuesday, April 9, 2019 1:09 PM
To: Board
Subject: Woda-Cooper will Degrade the Wardcliff Neighborhood

To Whom It May Concern:

Woda Cooper Companies has apparently received approval from the Meridian Township Planning Commission concerning their request to rezone part of the land behind the Whole Foods store at 2750 E. Grand River Ave. This action changes planned or future development of the site from from "One and Two Family Residential" to "Multiple Family--14 dwellings per acre." Woda Cooper's proposed plan is to construct a 53-unit town home development (two story) on the property (purportedly) for renters of low to moderate income. This type of high density housing is fundamentally incongruent with the Wardcliff neighborhood.

Our homes and the neighborhood they create represent the life work of its residents. I have serious concerns that the Woda-Cooper development will degrade the Wardcliff neighborhood due to increased traffic resulting from Woda Cooper's plan to connect the traffic entrances and exits of the development to Greencliff Dr. and Sirhal Dr. These are residential streets with no sidewalks. I see little kids, the elderly and others walking along side these streets all the time, and they will be less safe because of increased traffic coming from the proposed development. I live on Heather Circle and there has already been a dramatic increase in traffic on Park Lake Road since Costco opened. I am having difficulty exiting Heather Circle especially if I try to cross or turn left onto Park Lake Road. The residents in the Wardcliff neighborhood do not need an additional infusion of traffic such as the one the Woda-Cooper development would bring. A traffic flow (emanating from the proposed development) study concluded that "the engineer felt the traffic would go towards Greencliff and the signal on Park Lake and Grand River." So residents on Greencliff will be heavily affected, and the major outlet from the Wardcliff neighborhood at the corner of Park Lake and Grand River will become even more congested.

Another concern is the possibility of the development becoming student housing despite Woda Cooper's assurance this won't happen; experience teaches us that these promises are easy to make but difficult to keep. In fact, the units are **unavailable** to students ONLY if the household consists **entirely** of **full-time** students (see below). One part time student would remove this restriction, and five additional exemptions are enumerated. Students will figure out ways to occupy these dwellings.

"The Low Income Housing Tax Credit program has always had student restrictions as part of its eligibility criteria. The basic premise is that a household consisting entirely of full-time students will be ineligible for

occupancy at a tax credit property unless it meets one or more of the five exceptions to the rule, which generally make allowances for non-traditional student households."

The original zoning of this parcel was far more consistent with the nature of the neighborhood and should have been kept that way. The proposed high-density development is an obvious money grab for the developers and a tax revenue grab by the Township. The preservation of the quality of life for the existing residents of the affected Wardcliff neighborhood should be the singular criterion for making a decision regarding the future use of the parcel in question. You were elected to represent the best interests of these residents and I respectfully ask that you do so by stopping the proposed development.

Stephen Boyd

2567 Heather Circle

East Lansing, MI 48823

Riley Millard

From: Karla Hudson <hudson.kc@live.com>
Sent: Wednesday, April 10, 2019 9:43 AM
To: Township Board
Cc: Board
Subject: Transportation usage and upcoming millage

Dear Township Board,

I so often have heard from Mr. Deschane that individuals with disabilities can just “go use SpecTran.” First, as a tax payer of this community I find this very offensive that I must be put on the other service because I must be categorized as a person with a disability forget my tax paying status and that I am first and foremost a resident of this community. Let me explain how SpecTran works as Mr. Deschane does not understand, even though I have explained this many times on the Transportation Commission why an individual with a disability might want to use Redi-ride. Keep in mind as well that many individuals in this community look to me if transportation is valuable in this community and will do so when millage time comes around in August. Our family is a resource for many in the community when the topic of public transportation comes up for discussion.

If Redi-ride Worked as it once was marketed by CATA in 1999 one can obtain a ride “same day.” This as I have stated before was the attraction for voting for this new service. However, we quickly learned that the system did not meet that advertised criteria and you had to phone days in advance.

When One uses SpecTran they must call the day before not “same day.” Again, the reason our family was excited about the option was the “same day” opportunity offered by the Redi-ride system. When Mr. Deschaine suggests that persons with disabilities “ just go use SpecTran” he is saying that you person with a disability are a second class citizen and must use the service that requires you to call the day before and that you shouldn’t complain about not getting a ride because you already have a service. So other populations get to have the potential option of “same day” Redi-ride but individuals who have a disability should “just use SpecTran” and wait to meet life needs until the next day not “same day.” The person with a disability is not given any “choice” in the Deschaine model of public transportation.

Again, I hear you talk about students needing transportation from school for after school activities. Although board members have a relationship with the Okemos schools nobody would ever think to request that Okemos school consider a “late bus” as we have in East Lansing. As I remember Mr. Styka served on the Okemos school board and has the ability to be an advocate on this issue. The township refuses to communicate with the school district continuing to use tax payer resources for transporting students without ever discussing other creative options with the schools.

Each time I and others interact with you all on this issue you come across as seeming as though you know better than your residents who use the service. The approach by several board members and the township staff comes across as extremely paternal. Only Dreyfus and Sunland have tried to grasp the struggle of the users though at one time I thought Mr. Styka understood the challenges his current actions oddly enough suggest something different. As you work on the upcoming contract with CATA the approach will be scrutinized by the community especially as you bring this item forward for a millage vote. Remember you still need a millage to pass so consider all that has been discussed over the years on this issue. As I stated in public comment not listening to your community may create a result that the township and CATA do not want to face. The residents expected that this program would provide “same day” service so if the program is unable to meet that request and this is not resolved for the upcoming millage you may not get the expected outcome for this program. Be mindful that the community is still aware of the pitfalls of this transportation service and that continuing to get voter support will depend on the township requesting drastic changes from CATA. Do not think that the issues of yesteryear have dissolved just because CATA has new leadership. This is clearly stated in your last two board packets communications and the public comment made at the March 19 board meeting. The “sales pitch”

for the millage will still need to be made to the residents and if the system does not offer something very different from the last 20 years this millage may not pass. Just because you selected CATA as the vendor on the millage language does not mean they are entitled to receive support for the millage.

Regards,

Karla Hudson

Riley Millard

From: Tim Turner <mturner_90@hotmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, April 10, 2019 11:57 AM
To: Board; Derek Perry
Subject: Taxes for Roads

Dear Meridian Board,

My name is Tim Turner and I am the president of the Cider Mill Assoc. Cider Mill Sub has a private road and we are responsible for all repairs and replacement to our road. Please ensure the homeowners on private roads are not included in any taxes for roads you maintain.

Thanks
Tim Turner
2214 Cider Mill Dr
East Lansing, MI 48823
810-694-6337

Riley Millard

From: Jim Carlson <jim@carlsonmail.org>
Sent: Wednesday, April 17, 2019 9:13 PM
To: Board
Subject: Opposition To Proposed Rezoning #19010 (Woda Cooper)

Dear Meridian Township Board,

We wrote 3 emails to Peter Menser urging the planning commission to deny the Woda Cooper rezoning request because of our concerns about the increased traffic in the Wardcliff community that would be caused by extending Greencliff Drive. Those emails are included in the April 9, 2019 township board packet. Many other Wardcliff area residents also emailed and/or spoke to the planning commission, stating their reasons for opposing this rezoning request.

At the April 9 township board meeting, Clerk Dreyfus gave a very good explanation why the existing RX zoning should not be changed. He said residents of the Stratford Place senior housing are very concerned about increased traffic and noise from a high density apartment type complex. The current RX zoning provides for .5 to 3.5 dwelling units per acre, which is in accordance with the township future land use map. The proposed change to RC zoning would provide for 14 units per acre. This huge increase would not be in accordance with the future land use map. Why would the township even have a future land use plan if the township board will disregard it despite the opposition of so many existing Wardcliff area residents? The proposed high density zoning is also not compatible with the low density zoning in all the surrounding Wardcliff area.

The existing RX zoning is absolutely right for the proposed rezoning site! We urge the township board to reject the 19010 Woda Cooper rezoning request.

Jim and Karen Carlson, 2672 Rockwood Drive, East Lansing



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Brett Dreyfus
TOWNSHIP CLERK

Ms. Sally Williams, Director
Michigan Department of State
Bureau of Elections
PO Box 20126
Lansing, MI 48901-0726

March 26, 2019

Dear Ms. Williams:

People with disabilities sometimes struggle to exercise their right to vote. Various impediments, including difficulties with the Voter Assistance Terminal, affect the ability of some citizens to vote a ballot independently and with the same level of privacy that other citizens expect and receive.

A new technology-based solution can now level the playing field and provide people with disabilities the option to vote using an accessible absentee ballot – in the comfort and privacy of their home!

The technology is called a **Remote Ballot Marking System (RBMS)**. Voters with a visual impairment can especially benefit because the system is compatible with Braille or screen-reader technologies, thus providing the voter the ability to mark their ballots without assistance. The ballot can then be printed and mailed to the local Clerk's office for processing. Any voter with a disability who has difficulty visiting a polling location, marking a ballot, or using the Voter Assistance Terminal can be greatly assisted by using a RBMS. Currently, the RBMS is being used successfully in Ohio, Maryland and three other states.

As you're aware, there are two key benefits of voting via absentee ballot: a longer time period to analyze the ballot and research candidates and proposals, and the convenience of not having to vote in person at a polling location on Election Day. The RBMS helps ensure that all Michigan citizens are afforded the same absentee voting opportunities – regardless of having a disability or not.

Please let me know if there is anything I can do, as Township Clerk, to help the Michigan Bureau of Elections move forward and support the implementation of a RBMS. Would a Resolution of Support from the Meridian Township Board be useful? If so, I could potentially reach out to other Clerks and obtain support from their municipalities as well. Thank you for your consideration on this matter!

Respectfully,

Brett Dreyfus
Meridian Township Clerk

<p>PROPOSED BOARD MINUTES</p>

PROPOSED MOTION:

Move to approve and ratify the minutes of the Regular Meeting of April 9, 2019 as submitted.

ALTERNATE MOTION:

**Move to approve and ratify the minutes of the April 9, 2019 Regular Meeting with the following amendment(s):
[insert amendments]**

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MERIDIAN
TOWNSHIP BOARD REGULAR MEETING **-DRAFT-**
5151 Marsh Road, Okemos MI 48864-1198
853-4000, Township Hall Room
TUESDAY, APRIL 9, 2019 **6:00 pm.**

PRESENT: Supervisor Styka, Clerk Dreyfus, Treasurer Deschaine, Trustees Jackson, Opsommer, Wisinski

ABSENT: Trustee Sundland

STAFF: Township Manager Walsh, Public Works and Engineering Director Perry, Police Chief Plaga, Fire Chief Hamel, Information Technology Director Gebes, Community Planning and Development Director Kieselbach, Principal Planner Menser, Parks and Recreation Director Maisner, Economic Developer Director Buck

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Supervisor Styka called the meeting to order at 6:01 pm.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/INTRODUCTIONS

Supervisor Styka led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. ROLL CALL

The Recording Secretary called the roll of the Board.

4. PRESENTATIONS

A. Recognition of Parks and Recreation Director LuAnn Maisner

Trustee Opsommer presented a tribute to Director Maisner on behalf of State Rep. Brixie.

5. CITIZENS ADDRESS AGENDA ITEMS AND NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Supervisor Styka opened public remarks at 6:08 pm.

Brenda Rose, 16106 Fresno Ln., East Lansing; spoke in opposition to MUPUD #18044 (Newton Pointe LLC) Newton Park (Agenda Item 12C).

George Tesseris, 2840 E. Grand River Ave., East Lansing; spoke in support to Rezoning #19010 - Woda Cooper (Agenda Item 13D).

Mike Samuels, Arlington Heights, IL, on behalf of AnDev Group; spoke in support of Zoning Amendment #19040 (Township Board) Senior Living Communities (Agenda Item 13C).

Fred Wertz, 1212 N. Foster, Lansing; spoke about concerns of citizens when interacting with the Township Board and being labelled a "troublemaker" by some Board members.

Karla Hudson, 6009 Skyline Dr., East Lansing; spoke in opposition of the actions taken by the Board on the Redi-Ride millage.

Supervisor Styka closed public remarks at 6:26 pm.

6. TOWNSHIP MANAGER REPORT

Township Manager Walsh reported: Farmer's Market property swap with Meridian Mall, Special Meeting of Township Board to discuss roads and Camelback Bridge, CATA Redi-Ride agreement.

7. BOARD MEMBER REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Treasurer Deschaine reported:

- Attended Downtown Development Authority subcommittee meeting; discussed the TIF application process.
- Attended Brianne Randall-Gay Investigative Report press conference.
- Attended Planning Commission meeting with discussion on Medical Marijuana Ordinance.
- Attended Transportation Commission; discussed road projects and Camelback Bridge.
- Attended Lansing Chamber summit; discussed government and business affairs.

Clerk Dreyfus reported:

- Addressed Board member concerns from March 19th Board Meeting and clarified that all Public Communications were uploaded with the Public Packet the Friday before the mtg.

Trustee Jackson reported:

- Attended Tri-County Regional Planning Commission meeting; discussed collective lobbying and amendments made to Transportation Improvement Program.
- Attended Michigan Township Association conference; discussed board leadership, assessing, lobbying, and website development.

Trustee Opsommer reported:

- Attended Capital Area Transportation Authority meeting; established MSU and Ingham County as voting members.

Trustee Wisinski reported:

- Attended Michigan Department of Environmental Quality meeting; discussed medical marijuana and impacts of it.

Supervisor Styka reported:

- Attended Corridor Improvement Authority and Downtown Development Authority mtgs.
- Attended a joint meeting with East Lansing City Council; joint-jurisdiction zoning issue.
- Okemos Public School bond upcoming in May 7th 2019 Election.
- Harris Nature Center upcoming events available on Township website.

8. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Trustee Opsommer moved to approve the Agenda as presented. Seconded by Treasurer Deschaine.

VOICE VOTE: Motion carried 6-0

9. CONSENT AGENDA

Supervisor Styka reviewed the consent agenda.

Treasurer Deschaine moved to adopt the Consent Agenda as amended.

Treasurer Deschaine requested to move the Minutes from March 19, 2019 Regular Meeting (Consent Agenda Item 9.B [2]) to a new Action Item 12J.

VOICE VOTE: Motion carried 6-0

A. Communications

Treasurer Deschaine moved that the communications be received and placed on file and any communications not already assigned for disposition be referred to the Township Manager or Supervisor for follow-up.

ROLL CALL VOTE: YEAS: Treasurer Deschaine, Supervisor Styka, Clerk Dreyfus, Trustees Opsommer, Jackson, Wisinski

NAYS:
Motion carried 6-0

B. Minutes

(1) Special Meeting of March 12, 2019

Treasurer Deschaine moved to approve and ratify the minutes of the Special Meeting of March 12, 2019 as submitted.

~~(2) Regular Meeting of March 19, 2019~~ - Moved to New Agenda Item 12J

ROLL CALL VOTE: YEAS: Treasurer Deschaine, Supervisor Styka, Clerk Dreyfus, Trustees Opsommer, Jackson, Wisinski

NAYS:
Motion carried 6-0

C. Bills

Treasurer Deschaine moved to approve that the Township Board approve the Manager's Bills as follows:

Common Cash	\$	256,599.52
Public Works	\$	587,793.15
Trust & Agency	\$	8,615.69
Total Checks	\$	853,008.36

Credit Card Transactions	\$	21,717.70
Mar 14 to April 3		
	Total Purchases	\$ 874,726.06
ACH Payments	\$	<u>584,695.34</u>

ROLL CALL VOTE: YEAS: Treasurer Deschaine, Supervisor Styka, Clerk Dreyfus,
Trustees Opsommer, Jackson, Wisinski

NAYS:
Motion carried 6-0

D. Motor Pool Equipment Purchases

Treasurer Deschaine moved to authorize the purchase of a new dump truck and large width mower for Parks and Grounds and amend the 2019 Motor Pool Budget to reflect the approval of the purchases, and authorize the disposal of equipment #65 (2000 Ford dump truck), #83 (2001 Toro mower), and #86 (2003 Toro mower) by public auction, internet auction, or by sealed bid.

ROLL CALL VOTE: YEAS: Treasurer Deschaine, Supervisor Styka, Clerk Dreyfus,
Trustees Opsommer, Jackson, Wisinski

NAYS:
Motion carried 6-0

10. QUESTIONS FOR THE ATTORNEY

NONE

11. HEARINGS

A. MUPUD #18034 (Meridian Investment) Red Cedar Manor

Director Kieselbach provided an overview on the current proposed Mixed-Use Planned Unit Development (MUPUD) project and all requested waivers.

Supervisor Styka opened the hearing at 6:47 pm.

Ronald Calhoun, 2875 North Wind Dr., East Lansing; on behalf of Meridian Investment, discussed suggestions that have been adopted since last time in front of the Board. Illustrated the current site and explained the proposed development.

Supervisor Styka closed the hearing at 6:56 pm.

12. ACTION ITEMS

A. Ethics Conflict of Interest Report #1 – Complaint against Steve Vagnozzi

Manager Walsh outlined the submitted complaint and presented the findings from his report that determined no conflict of interest exists.

Ode Norkin, 3803 Sandlewood Dr., Okemos; noted his reasoning for submitting the complaint and outlined what he believed should have been disclosed by Commissioner Vagnozzi before the Transportation Commission took part in discussions about Redi-Ride.

Steve Vagnozzi, 2114 Woodfield Rd., Okemos; stated that the conflict of interest complaint was baseless and provided specific responses to all claims made against him and his wife’s position with the Okemos Public Schools.

Darlene Vagnozzi, 2144 Woodfield Rd., Okemos; wife of Steve Vagnozzi, currently retired from the Okemos Public Schools (as of April 1st, 2019) noted ethical record of family and her role in the Okemos School District.

Trustee Jackson moved to approve the Township Manager’s recommendation that the ethics complaint lodged by Mr. Ody Norkin against Commissioner Vagnozzi to be without merit. Seconded by Treasurer Deschaine.

Board discussion: public officials are in the position to get disparaged, lack of financial gain by either side, claim is baseless and should be dismissed, school children have no impact on capacity of Redi-Ride, ethical history of Commissioner Vagnozzi.

ROLL CALL VOTE: YEAS: Trustees Opsommer, Jackson Wisinski, Treasurer Deschaine, Supervisor Styka, Clerk Dreyfus

NAYS:

Motion carried 6-0

B. Ethics Conflict of Interest Report #2 – Complaint against Meridian Trustee Dan Opsommer

Manager Walsh outlined the submitted complaint and presented the findings from his report that determined no conflict of interest exists.

Ode Norkin, 3803 Sandlewood Dr., Okemos; refuted the conclusions of the Township Attorney and noted the perceived improper use of a specific Attorney General decision rather than a case-by-case determination and the impact of considering if a contract was being negotiated for CATA and Meridian Township by the same individual.

The Township Attorney explained intergovernmental cooperation between municipal councils and authority boards exists and is not the basis for conflict of interest.

Treasurer Deschaine moved to approve the Township Manager’s recommendation that the ethics complaint lodged by Mr. Ody Norkin against Trustee Opsommer to be without merit. Seconded by Trustee Wisinski.

Board discussion: Clarification on Redi-Ride rates, importance of representing specific individual roles, political issue vs confliction of interest issue, political question is if Board member places CATA interests above Township, Trustees and CATA Board Members don’t specifically sign for decisions, elected officials are not present to negotiate contracts, other municipalities on the CATA

Board, party bringing complaint operates a private busing company, determination considered general compatibility between the two boards.

ROLL CALL VOTE: YEAS: Trustees Wisinski, Opsommer, Jackson, Clerk Dreyfus, Treasurer Deschaine, Supervisor Styka

NAYS:

Motion carried 6-0

C. Mixed Use Planned Unit Development #18044 (Newton Pointe LLC) Newton Park

Trustee Opsommer moved to adopt the resolution approving Mixed Use Planned Unit Development #18044 with conditions. Seconded by Trustee Jackson.

Board discussion: Existing issues with MUPUD set-back limits, plat details, belief that history of zoning reflects poorly-planned land use and zoning, almost no commercial business at property even though commercial is underlying zoning, buffer zone issues, property to the south (Sierra Ridge) placed high number of homes in the northern section of their property, rezoning to commercial allowed MUPUD loophole which greatly increases density, current proposal at near maximum density, density ranges always result in proposals with highest density on range, appreciation of developers' adjustments to proposal due to Planning Commission comments, 2-story homes now 1-story, public spaces good, commercial space can't be forced, other projects from developer are positive and build community, additional amenities help.

ROLL CALL VOTE: YEAS: Trustees Jackson, Wisinski, Opsommer, Treasurer Deschaine, Supervisor Styka

NAYS: Clerk Dreyfus

Motion carried 5-1

D. Wetland Use Permit #18-03 (Newton Pointe LLC) Newton Park

Treasurer Deschaine moved to adopt the resolution approving Wetland Use Permit #18-03 with conditions. Seconded by Trustee Jackson.

Board discussion: could promote wetland health, increases land usability.

ROLL CALL VOTE: YEAS: Treasurer Deschaine, Supervisor Styka, Trustees Wisinski, Jackson, Opsommer

NAYS: Clerk Dreyfus

Motion carried 5-1

E. Special Use Permit #18091 (Newton Pointe LLC) Newton Park

Trustee Opsommer moved to adopt the resolution approve Special Use Permit #18091 with conditions. Seconded by Trustee Wisinski.

ROLL CALL VOTE: YEAS: Supervisor Styka, Treasurer Deschaine, Trustees Opsommer, Wisinski, Jackson

NAYS: Clerk Dreyfus

Motion carried 5-1

F. Time Limitations for Vending – **Introduction**

Trustee Opsommer moved to approve the resolution for the introduction of the amendment to Chapter 38 of the Code of Ordinances to amend Article IV, Vendors. Seconded by Treasurer Deschaine.

Board discussion: Hour limit adjustments, reasoning behind amendment, permitting process.

ROLL CALL VOTE: YEAS: Trustees Opsommer, Jackson, Wisinski, Clerk Dreyfus Supervisor Styka, Treasurer Deschaine

NAYS:

Motion carried 6-0

G. Fireworks Ordinance – **Introduction**

Trustee Jackson moved to approve the resolution for the introduction of the amendment to Chapter 26 of the Code of Ordinances to amend Article I, Fireworks. Seconded by Trustee Opsommer.

Board discussion: Compliance and consistency with State law, adjustments to times of day permitted, special event permits.

ROLL CALL VOTE: YEAS: Clerk Dreyfus, Supervisor Styka, Treasurer Deschaine, Trustees Opsommer, Jackson, Wisinski

NAYS:

Motion carried 6-0

H. Grand River Avenue Public Water Main Improvement SAD #49

Treasurer Deschaine moved to approve Grand River Avenue Public Water Main Improvement Special Assessment District #49 Resolution #5, which approves the special assessment roll; designates the project as "Grand River Avenue Public Water Main Improvement Special Assessment District #49; the assessment roll as the "Grand River Avenue Water Main Special Assessment District #49 Special Assessment Roll "; and the district as the "Grand River Avenue Public Water Main Improvement Special Assessment District #49"; adopts the amount of \$311,498.30 as the final amount for the assessment roll; and orders and directs the assessment roll to be paid and collected." Seconded by Trustee Jackson.

Board discussion: Details of service extension.

ROLL CALL VOTE: YEAS: Trustees Jackson, Wisinski, Opsommer, Clerk Dreyfus, Treasurer Deschaine, Supervisor Styka

NAYS:

Motion carried 6-0

I. Kansas Road Sewer SAD #52 Reapportionment

Trustee Opsommer moved to Move to approve Kansas Road Sanitary Sewer Main Special Assessment District #49 Reapportionment Resolution, which files the proposed re-apportionment of the final special assessment roll with the Township Clerk and sets the date for a public hearing on April 23, 2019." Seconded by Trustee Jackson.

Board discussion: Details of public hearing, pricing.

ROLL CALL VOTE: YEAS: Treasurer Deschaine, Supervisor Styka, Clerk Dreyfus, Trustees Jackson, Wisinski, Opsommer

NAYS:

Motion carried 6-0

J. Minutes – Regular Meeting of March 19, 2019

Clerk Dreyfus moved to adopt the minutes of the Regular Meeting of March 19th 2019 as submitted. Seconded by Trustee Opsommer.

Treasurer Deschaine moved to amend the minutes of the Regular Meeting of March 19th, 2019. Seconded by Trustee Opsommer.

Board discussion: minutes should be concise, Treasurer belief his proposed language reduces unnecessary statements; Clerk concerns with Treasurer continuously proposing amendments to minutes and Board always approving changes; law states Clerk responsible for production of minutes; discussion of need for balance in minutes and need to avoid bias in minutes and in any proposed amendments.

VOICE VOTE ON AMMENDMENTS: Motion carried 5-1 (Dreyfus)

ROLL CALL VOTE ON ORIGINAL MOTION: Motion carried 6-0

13. BOARD DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. MUPUD #18034 (Meridian Investment Group LLC) Red Cedar Manor

Director Kieselbach provided an overview of the proposed Mixed Use Planned Unit Development.

Board discussion: differences between flood plain and flood way, details of flood insurance, differences between detention and retention ponds, concerns of parking in flood plain, unique nature of river front property, amount of current parking, need for reduction of project size, efforts to reduce parking, mitigation of runoff, target market and renters, river trail amenity, details of set-back and parking waivers, increase in pervious land, concern with size of development, project should be reduced to help reduce parking and waivers, Township bike path project addition, increased height vs surface area coverage, appropriateness of density in this area.

Board consensus to put this item up again for discussion at a future meeting.

B. SUP #18031 (Meridian Investment Group LLC) Red Cedar Manor

Board consensus to postpone discussion until a future meeting.

Supervisor Styka called for a ten-minute recess at 9:05 pm

Supervisor Styka called the meeting back to order at 9:15 pm

C. Zoning Amendment #19040 (Township Board) Senior Living Communities

Director Kieselbach provided an overview of the proposed Zoning Amendment and gave details on the developments it would allow.

Board discussion: ten-acre minimum, comparisons to other communities, possibility of using five-acre minimum, automatic allowance of four-stories, could lead to unfavorable redevelopment throughout Township, larger ten-acre minimum would limit redevelopment and set precedent for future developments, details of set-back limits, current senior housing development zoning, 25 units per acre, brand new ordinance, lack of industry standard for zoning, density expectations, health-care services inherent in this type of development, age restrictions on health care, smaller acre minimum would allow flexibility, benefits of a Board Work Session.

Board consensus to schedule a Work Session to further discuss the topic.

D. Rezoning #19010 (Woda Cooper)

Director Kieselbach provided an overview of the proposed rezoning request and gave details on the proposed development.

Board discussion: conditions of applications, low-income housing tax-credit focus, property owner should consider possibility of micro-housing/ tiny housing community, focus needs to be on rezoning – cannot consider development proposal because zoning goes with property, current RX zoning is appropriate for Wardcliff neighborhood, different possibilities of land use, rezoning lack of compatibility with surrounding area, cut-through traffic concerns, comparisons to Stratford Place, smaller houses could lead to rentals, concerns with 400% increase in proposed density (from

3.5 dwelling units/acre to 14/acre), developers interest in not paying property taxes and pursuing PILOT instead, low-income housing should be distributed around Township and not concentrated in East Lansing section of Meridian, where several low-income projects are located.

Board consensus to put this item up for further discussion at a future meeting.

Clerk Dreyfus moved to take up Agenda Item 13.E after 10:00 pm. Seconded by Trustee Jackson

VOICE VOTE: Motion carried 6-0

E. ELMWSA Contract Amendment

Director Perry provided overview of a plan to amend the East Lansing – Meridian Water Sewer Agreement Contract.

Board discussion: Contract review process.

Clerk Dreyfus moved to suspend the rules and take action on Agenda Item 13E. Seconded by Trustee Opsommer.

VOICE VOTE: Motion carried 6-0

Clerk Dreyfus moved to approve the Resolution to approve a Capital Projects Contract with the East Lansing-Meridian Water and Sewer Authority and its associated Capital Projects Contract Seconded by Trustee Opsommer.

ROLL CALL VOTE: YEAS: Trustees Opsommer, Wisinski, Jackson, Clerk Dreyfus, Treasurer Deschaine, Supervisor Styka

NAYS:

Motion carried 6-0

14. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

Supervisor Styka Opened Public Remarks at 10:21 pm.

Mike Samuels, Arlington Heights, IL, on behalf of AnDev Group; offered assistance in answering questions on Agenda Item 13C.

Supervisor Styka Closed Public Remarks at 10:22 pm.

15. OTHER MATTERS AND BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

NONE

16. ADJOURNMENT

Clerk Dreyfus moved to adjourn. Seconded by Trustee Wisinski

VOICE VOTE: Motion carried 6-0

Supervisor Styka adjourned the meeting at 10:22 pm.

RONALD J. STYKA,
TOWNSHIP SUPERVISOR

BRETT DREYFUS,
TOWNSHIP CLERK



To: Board Members
From: Miriam Mattison, Finance Director
Date: April 23rd, 2019
Re: Board Bills

MOVED THAT THE TOWNSHIP BOARD APPROVE THE MANAGER'S
BILLS AS FOLLOWS:

COMMON CASH	\$	374,973.16
PUBLIC WORKS	\$	8,894.88
TRUST & AGENCY	\$	-
TOTAL CHECKS:	\$	383,868.04
CREDIT CARD TRANSACTIONS April 4th to April 17th	\$	6,631.48
TOTAL PURCHASES:	\$	<u>390,499.52</u>
ACH PAYMENTS	\$	<u>2,306,477.88</u>

Vendor Name	Description	Amount	Check #
1. 54-A DISTRICT COURT			
	CASH BOND - GAMBLE, MARK WILLIAM	150.00	100370
2. AIRGAS GREAT LAKES			
	STANDING PO FOR MEDICAL OXYGEN	512.85	
	STANDING PO FOR MEDICAL OXYGEN	100.47	
	TOTAL	613.32	
3. ARROW INTERNATIONAL INC			
	STANDING PO FOR IO EMS SUPPLIES/EQUIPMENT	562.50	
4. ASAP PRINTING			
	FORMS AND PAMPHLET PRINTING	33.32	
5. AT & T			
	MONTHLY SERVICER	30.22	
6. AT & T			
	MONTHLY SERVICE	140.72	
	MONTHLY SERVICE	188.98	
	MONTHLY SERVICE	305.96	
	MONTHLY SERVICE	187.74	
	MONTHLY SERVICE	541.79	
	MONTHLY SERVICE	581.79	
	TOTAL	1,946.98	
7. AUTO VALUE OF EAST LANSING			
	FLEET REPAIR PARTS 2019	8.22	
	FLEET REPAIR PARTS 2019	105.22	
	FLEET REPAIR PARTS 2019	62.19	
	FLEET REPAIR PARTS 2019	64.38	
	FLEET REPAIR PARTS 2019	15.71	
	FLEET REPAIR PARTS 2019	4.45	
	FLEET REPAIR PARTS 2019	3.09	
	FLEET REPAIR PARTS 2019	30.28	
	SHOP TOOLS	16.57	
	FLEET REPAIR PARTS 2019	335.72	
	TOTAL	645.83	
8. BANNASCH WELDING INC			
	IDLER ROLLER ASSEMBLY	322.44	
	MOUNT KIT UT FORD SD	558.00	
	RECEIVER KIT DRIVERS & PASSENGERS DOOR	294.66	
	TOTAL	1,175.10	
9. BARYAMES CLEANERS			
	STANDING PO FOR DRY CLEANING	48.00	
10. BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD OF MICHIGAN			
	HEALTH INSURANCE - MAY	2,893.75	
11. BECKS PROPANE			
	PROPANE - 3998 VAN ATTA RD	441.45	
12. BOARD OF WATER & LIGHT			
	2019 STREETLIGHT SERVICE	597.88	
13. BOBCAT OF LANSING			
	MISC HOSE PARTS	426.33	
14. BSN SPORTS			
	HATS FOR TBALL HASLETT LEAGUES	397.95	
15. CHRIS BUCK			
	REIMBURSEMENT FOR MILEAGE	127.66	
16. CATA			
	PAYM'T TO PURCHASE REDI-RIDE PASSES	600.00	100367
17. DAVID CHAPMAN AGENCY			
	LIQUOR BOND EVENT 6/29/19-CELEBRATE MERIDIAN	50.00	
18. CINTAS CORPORATION #725			
	MECHANICS UNIFORMS 2019	40.13	
	MECHANICS UNIFORMS 2019	40.13	
	MECHANICS UNIFORMS 2019	40.13	
	TOTAL	120.39	
19. CITY OF EAST LANSING			
	SHARED ASSESSOR SERVICES-MARCH	5,195.92	

Vendor Name	Description	Amount	Check #
20. COMCAST	MONTHLY SERVICE	151.85	
	MONTHLY SERVICE - MARCH/APRIL	14.92	
	TOTAL	166.77	
21. COMPLI CHECK	HVAC PROJECT ASBESTOS TESTING	570.00	
22. CONSUMERS ENERGY	CRC EMERG PM'T TO AVOID UTILITY SHUTOFF	397.54	100371
23. CONSUMERS ENERGY	MONTHLY SERVICE	8.31	
24. COURTESY FORD	FORD FLEET REPAIR PARTS 2019	85.95	
	BODY REPAIR GROUNDS TRUCK	2,840.51	
	TOTAL	2,926.46	
25. CULLIGAN WATER CONDITIONING	HNC WATER SOFTENER SALT	18.40	
26. CUMMINS BRIDGEWAY LLC	SOUTH FIRE STATION FAILED AUXILIARY BATTERY	294.76	
27. DATAWORKS PLUS	DATAWORKS PLUS MOBILE ID DATA PLONE PLAN FOR FINGE	420.00	
28. DBI	BINDER CLIPS - CLEANER - DSNFCT WIPES	18.47	
	FOOD-SPECIAL BOARD MEETING	30.53	
	TOTAL	49.00	
29. DESIGNS BY NATURE	PROGRAM PRESENTER	50.00	
30. DETTMAN LAW	ARBITRATOR COMPENSATION	475.00	
31. DOTY MECHANICAL INC	REFUND OVERPM'T PLUMBING PERMIT	5.00	
32. EATON COUNTY PARKS	PROGRAM INSTRUCTOR	430.00	
33. FAHEY SCHULTZ BURZYCH RHODES PLC	LEGAL FEES	660.00	
	LEGAL FEES	2,328.00	
	LEGAL FEES	200.00	
	LEGAL FEES	340.00	
	LEGAL FEES	360.00	
	LEGAL FEES	660.00	
	LEGAL FEES-LABOR	2,925.00	
	LEGAL FEES	17.00	
	LEGAL FEES-LABOR	60.00	
	LEGAL FEES	624.88	
	LEGAL FEES	105.63	
	LEGAL FEES	123.46	
	LEGAL FEES-LABOR	541.36	
	LEGAL FEES	1,671.62	
	LEGAL FEES	52.82	
	LEGAL FEES	1,814.22	
	LEGAL FEES	66.01	
	LEGAL FEES	2,346.00	
	LEGAL FEES	1,287.00	
	LEGAL FEES	1,582.00	
	LEGAL FEES	140.00	
	LEGAL FEES	500.00	
	LEGAL FEES	2,185.00	
	LEGAL FEES-LAND PRESERVATION	4,143.00	
	TOTAL	24,733.00	
34. FIRE SERVICE MANAGEMENT	STANDING PO FOR FIRE GEAR CERT./CLEANING	367.25	
35. FIRST ADVANTAGE LNS OCC HEALTH	MDOT RANDOM DRUG TESTING	111.18	
36. FIRST COMMUNICATIONS	MONTHLY SERVICE	919.23	

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37. FRONTLINE MEDICAL	STANDING PO - AMB COT MAINTENANCE	636.41	
38. FRONT LINE APPRAISAL INC	FAST FOOD RESTAURANT (ARBY'S) - APPRAISAL	3,500.00	
39. GOODYEAR COMMERCIAL TIRE	STATE CONTRACT LARGE TRUCK TIRES 2019	202.07	
40. GRANGER	RUBBISH AND RECYCLING DISPOSAL SERVICES ACCT#11061	111.00	
	RUBBISH AND RECYCLING DISPOSAL SERVICES ACCT#11062	128.51	
	RUBBISH AND RECYCLING DISPOSAL SERVICES ACCT#11063	70.00	
	RUBBISH AND RECYCLING DISPOSAL SERVICES ACCT #2509	76.00	
	RUBBISH AND RECYCLING DISPOSAL SERVICES ACCT#17334	87.00	
	RUBBISH AND RECYCLING DISPOSAL SERVICES ACCT#17349	17.50	
	TOTAL	490.01	
41. GRANICUS	GRANICUS GOVACCESS PLUS EDITION WEBSITE MANAGEMENT	9,371.25	
42. MARYANN GROOP	REIMBUSREMENT MILEAGE JAN-APRIL	24.22	
43. GABRIEL, ROEDER, SMITH & COMP	2018 ACTUARIAL VALUATION SERVICES	4,225.00	
	GASB STATEMENT #68 REPORT	2,075.00	
	GASB STATEMENT #74 & #75 REPORT	6,000.00	
	TOTAL	12,300.00	
44. H.C. BERGER COMPANY	COPIER LEASE	1,656.90	
45. HALT FIRE INC	PRIMER PUMP MOTOR ENG 93, ABS MODULE AERIAL	761.29	
46. HASLETT-OKEMOS ROTARY	2ND QTR MEMBERSHIP DUES - K PLAGA	140.00	
	MEMBERSHIP DUES-P DESCHaine 1ST & 2ND QTR	280.00	
	TOTAL	420.00	
47. INTERNATIONAL CONTROLS & EQUIP	ACCESS CONTROL SYSTEM FOR SMALL AND LARGE DOG PARK	6,735.00	
48. JENKS PLUMBING & HEATING INC	REFUND OVERPMT PLULMBING PERMIT APPS	15.00	
49. JOHNSON CONTROLS	2019 HVAC CONTROL MAINTENANCE	3,832.00	
50. KEYSTONE PRINTING GROUP	BUSINESS CARDS	112.10	
51. KODIAK EMERGENCY VEHICLES	BRAUN CHIEF XL TYPE III AMBULANCE PER QUOTE	180,602.45	100374
52. KENNETH OUELLETTE INVESTIGATIONS	RANDALL INVESTIGATION	4,677.04	
53. LAFONTAINE CHRYSLER DODGE	2018 DODGE RAM 12' FOLDING SIDE 1 TON DUMP TRUCK	41,117.00	
54. LANSING UNIFORM COMPANY	STANDARD POLICE UNIFORM PURCHASES	125.85	
	STANDARD POLICE UNIFORM PURCHASES	103.95	
	TOTAL	229.80	
55. ERIN LINN	REIMB FOR MILEAGE - JAN, FEB	58.00	
56. MADISON NATIONAL LIFE INS CO	EMPLOYEE LIFE INSURANCE - MAY	3,320.31	
57. MBSC	REGISTRATION - YOUTH BASEBALL TEAM	205.00	
58. MCKESSON MEDICAL-SURGICAL	GOV SOL		
	STANDING PO FOR EMS SUPPLIES/EQUIPMENT	1,744.83	
	STANDING PO FOR EMS SUPPLIES/EQUIPMENT	45.44	
	STANDING PO FOR EMS SUPPLIES/EQUIPMENT	9.95	
	TOTAL	1,800.22	
59. MERIDIAN TOWNSHIP	TRANSFER FOR FLEX CKING P/R 4/12/19	870.23	

Vendor Name	Description	Amount	Check #
60. MEI TOTAL ELEVATOR SERVICES	2019 ELEVATOR SERVICE	145.00	
61. MICHIGAN CAT	ENVIRONMENTAL CHARGES	34.52	
62. MOST DEPENDABLE FOUNTAINS	DRINK WASH COOL DUAL BASIN FOR SMALL DOG PARK	245.00	
63. MICHIGAN RECYCLING COALITION	RECYCLING EDUCATION BOOTH EXPENSES	149.00	
64. MICHIGAN TOWNSHIP ASSOCIATION	TRAINING P JACKSON/P DESCHAIINE	25.00	
65. MUSCULAR DYSTROPHY ASSOCIATION	DONATION FROM FIREFIGHTERS PANCAKE BREAKFAST	600.00	100368
66. NAPA	FLEET REPAIR PARTS 2019	243.83	
	FLEET REPAIR PARTS 2019	339.72	
	FLEET REPAIR PARTS 2019	164.67	
	TOTAL	748.22	
67. OFFICE DEPOT	ACCT#90449879 OFFICE SUPPLIES	74.89	
68. OKEMOS MARATHON	TOW F 250	160.00	
	TOW CHEV IMPALA	275.00	
	FLEET TOWING 2019	85.00	
	TOW JEEP CHEROKEE	135.00	
	FLEET TOWING 2019-F250	75.00	
	TOW FORD EXPLORER	85.00	
	TOTAL	815.00	
69. ORKIN, 551-LANSING, MI	SERVICE AT 2100 GAYLORD C SMITH CT	250.00	
70. OVERHEAD DOOR OF LANSING	SW EXIT DOOR REPAIR	250.00	
	INSTALL TIMERS FOR OVERHEAD EXIT DOORS LOCATED I	1,680.00	
	TOTAL	1,930.00	
71. PECKHAM	CUSTODIAL SERVICES 2019	6,391.99	
72. POSTMASTER	2019 PRIME MERIDIAN MAGAZINE POSTAGE	3,929.41	100373
	POSTAGE CYCLE 2 WATER BILLS	316.52	100372
	TOTAL	4,245.93	
73. POWER DMS	POLICE SOFTWARE SERVICE MAINTENANCE	3,297.28	
74. PRINT MAKERS SERVICE INC	KIP 860 PRINTER MAINTENANCE	38.71	
75. PRO-TECH MECHANICAL SERVICES	NO HEAT - HARRIS NATURE CENTER	293.48	
76. QUALITY TIRE INC	STATE CONTRACT FLEET TIRES 2019	510.00	
77. ROWERDINK AUTOMOTIVE PARATS	BATTERY	82.50	
	BATTERY	141.32	
	FLEET REPAIR PARTS 2019	39.64	
	TOTAL	263.46	
78. ANGELA RYAN	REIMB-REFRESHMENTS FOR BOARD OF REVIEW	131.70	
79. SCOUT TROOP 125	FUNDRAISER DONATION FROM PANCAKE BREAKFAST	1,300.00	100369
80. SPARROW OCCUPATIONAL	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	95.00	
81. SPENCER MANUFACTURING	PRIMER PUM MOTOR ENG 92	1,167.16	
	MICRO RELAY 12 VOLT	64.22	
	TOTAL	1,231.38	

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Vendor Name	Description	Amount	Check #
82. CURTIS SQUIRES	REIMB FOR MILEAGE - MARCH	60.32	
83. SWAGIT PRODUCTIONS, LLC	VIDEO STREAMING SERVICES-MARCH	3,462.00	
84. TRI-COUNTY REGIONAL PLANNING	GLRC STORMWATER MANAGEMENT SERVICES FOR 2019	5,917.65	
85. USA TODAY NETWORK	LEGAL NOTICES	1,535.42	
86. VANTAGEPOINT TRANSFER AGENTS	2018 HEALTH REIMB ACCT (HRA) ARRANGEMENT	4,622.41	
87. VARIPRO BENEFIT ADMINISTRATORS	FLEX ADMINISTRATION MAY	12,088.90	
88. VERIZON CONNECT	MONTHLY SERVICE	1,591.80	
89. WEST SHORE FIRE	YEARLY SCBA RECERTIFICATION	1,944.30	
TOTAL - ALL VENDORS		374,973.16	

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Vendor Name	Description	Amount	Check #
1. BLUE CROSS	BLUE SHIELD OF MICHIGAN HEALTH INSURANCE - MAY	511.19	
2. BLACKBURN MFG CO	BLUE AND GREEN WATER-BASED PAINT FOR STAKING BLUE AND GREEN FLAGS FOR STAKING	898.60 590.28	
	TOTAL	1,488.88	
3. CSX TRANSPORTATION	ANNUAL LICENSE FEE FOR WATER MAIN CROSSING	297.61	
4. DIVERSIFIED NATIONAL TITLE AGENCY	REFUND OVERPM'T FINAL #SILC-005524-0000-04	60.00	
5. FERGUSON WATERWORKS #3386	WATER SYSTEM REPAIR PARTS 2019 WATER SYSTEM REPAIR PARTS 2019	116.00 231.00	
	TOTAL	347.00	
6. CORY GAHSMAN	REFUND OVERPM'T FINAL #HIAE-003704-0000-02	15.00	
7. GA HUNT EXCAVATING	REFUND PERMIT#6071 @ 4608 OTTAWA	40.00	
8. GRANGER	MONTHLY SERVICE-MARCH	174.00	
9. MADISON NATIONAL LIFE INS CO	EMPLOYEE LIFE INSURANCE - MAY	384.60	
10. MICHIGAN MUNICIPAL LEAGUE	POLICY#5000880-18	4,009.80	27722
11. CARL SCHLEGEL INC	SAND , GRAVEL & TOPSOIL 2019	885.50	
12. TRI TITLE AGENCY LLC	REFUND OVERPM'T FINAL #FOST-006174-0000-05 REFUND OVERPM'T FINAL #GRFD-005190-0000-02 REFUND OVERPM'T FINAL #CHIP-003557-0000-02	221.55 244.75 215.00	
	TOTAL	681.30	
TOTAL - ALL VENDORS		8,894.88	

Credit Card Report 4/4 to 4/17

Posting Date	Merchant Name	Amount	Name
2019/04/12	ALRO STEEL CORP	\$43.20	ROBERT STACY
2019/04/08	AMAZON.COM*MW0C90RH1	\$6.45	MICHELLE PRINZ
2019/04/04	AMAZON.COM*MW29Y09X1	\$10.98	MICHELLE PRINZ
2019/04/08	AMAZON.COM*MW2IL6WP1 AMZN	\$157.88	MICHELLE PRINZ
2019/04/05	AMAZON.COM*MW75232U0 AMZN	\$10.19	MICHELLE PRINZ
2019/04/11	AMAZON.COM*MZ0DS9F31 AMZN	\$31.13	MICHELLE PRINZ
2019/04/15	AMAZON.COM*MZ1X61F90	\$8.40	MICHELLE PRINZ
2019/04/11	AMAZON.COM*MZ6524CY0 AMZN	\$13.19	MICHELLE PRINZ
2019/04/08	AMWAY GRAND PLAZA HOTE	\$595.82	BRETT DREYFUS
2019/04/08	AMWAY GRAND PLAZA HOTE	\$568.47	DEREK PERRY
2019/04/04	AMWAY GRAND PLZ HTL F	\$3.00	BRETT DREYFUS
2019/04/05	AMWAY GRAND PLZ HTL F	\$6.84	BRETT DREYFUS
2019/04/08	AMWAY GRAND PLZ HTL F	\$11.13	BRETT DREYFUS
2019/04/08	AMWAY GRAND PLZ HTL F	\$2.95	BRETT DREYFUS
2019/04/10	AMZN MKTP US*MW0752UT2	\$5.95	MICHELLE PRINZ
2019/04/04	AMZN MKTP US*MW5BX0DL0 AM	\$93.93	MICHELLE PRINZ
2019/04/12	AMZN MKTP US*MZ1B00OQ0	\$251.25	MICHELLE PRINZ
2019/04/17	AMZN MKTP US*MZ83E2LX2 AM	\$12.99	MICHELLE PRINZ
2019/04/12	AMZN MKTP US*MZ8Q07F10	\$9.08	MICHELLE PRINZ
2019/04/11	ARBYS #132 WATERFORD	\$15.90	RICHARD GRILLO
2019/04/10	BECKS TRAILER SUPER STORE	\$30.88	TODD FRANK
2019/04/15	BUILDERS PLUMB HEAT BRANC	\$45.94	PETER VASILION
2019/04/11	CATHEY COMPANY	\$75.30	ROBERT STACY
2019/04/15	CITY OF E LANSING PARK	\$3.00	CHRIS BUCK
2019/04/12	CLIP STRIP CORP	\$96.40	ANDREA SMILEY
2019/04/08	COMFORT SUITES	\$131.89	FRANK L WALSH
2019/04/12	COMFORT SUITES	\$263.78	FRANK L WALSH
2019/04/12	CORAL GABLES OF EAST LANS	\$30.10	FRANK L WALSH
2019/04/10	EATON FARM COOP MASON	\$184.50	MATT FOREMAN
2019/04/05	ELECTRICAL TERMINAL SERVI	\$80.87	TODD FRANK
2019/04/10	FARONICS TECHNOLOGIES USA	\$48.00	STEPHEN GEBES
2019/04/12	FERGUSON ENT, INC 934	\$12.46	PETER VASILION
2019/04/15	FERGUSON WTRWRKS #3386	\$117.94	DAVID LESTER
2019/04/17	FORESTRY SUPPLIERS INC	\$128.62	KELSEY DILLON
2019/04/08	GILLETTES INTERSTATE RV I	\$37.19	TODD FRANK
2019/04/12	GOOGLE *RIPL	\$14.99	DEBORAH GUTHRIE
2019/04/05	GRAINGER	\$22.44	TYLER KENNELL
2019/04/08	GRAINGER	\$22.44	TYLER KENNELL
2019/04/08	GRAINGER	\$89.78	TYLER KENNELL
2019/04/09	GRAINGER	(\$114.74)	TYLER KENNELL
2019/04/12	GRAINGER	\$126.81	TYLER KENNELL
2019/04/09	HASLETT TRUE VALUE HARDW	\$139.94	MATTHEW WALTERS
2019/04/17	HASLETT TRUE VALUE HARDW	\$10.72	ROBERT MACKENZIE
2019/04/17	HOBBY LOBBY #360	\$106.00	ERIN LINN
2019/04/04	HOBBY LOBBY #360	\$9.86	WILLIAM PRIESE
2019/04/08	HOLIDAY INN EXPRESS - WA	\$92.65	DENISE GREEN
2019/04/17	KROGER #793	\$4.29	MICHELLE PRINZ
2019/04/11	LEXISNEXIS RISK SOL EPIC	\$115.25	KRISTI SCHAEADING
2019/04/04	LITTLE CAESARS 0074 0007	\$24.00	MICHAEL DEVLIN
2019/04/15	LOVE S TRAVEL 00006007	\$38.00	WILLIAM PRIESE
2019/04/10	MARCOS PIZZA - 1235	\$23.83	MICHELLE PRINZ
2019/04/15	MARKS LOCK SHOP INC	\$240.00	MATT FOREMAN

2019/04/12	MEIJER INC #025 Q01	\$140.00	DARLA JACKSON
2019/04/15	MEIJER INC #025 Q01	\$53.01	CATHERINE ADAMS
2019/04/11	MICHIGAN RECREATION & PAR	\$75.00	LUANN MAISNER
2019/04/08	MOORE MEDICAL LLC	\$128.79	KRISTI SCHAEDING
2019/04/10	MPC CASHWAY LMBR-WILLIAM	\$9.87	PETER VASILION
2019/04/16	MSU PAYMENTS	\$25.00	ANDREA SMILEY
2019/04/09	MSU PAYMENTS	\$30.00	ROBERT MACKENZIE
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2019/04/16	NASSCO INC	(\$114.25)	ROBERT MACKENZIE
2019/04/08	NATIOAL ASSOCIATION OF	\$195.00	BENJAMIN MAKULSKI
2019/04/08	NATIOAL ASSOCIATION OF	\$140.00	BRANDIE YATES
2019/04/16	OCC WEB PAYMENT	\$500.00	SCOTT DAWSON
2019/04/12	OFFICEMAX/OFFICEDEPT#3379	\$9.18	KELSEY DILLON
2019/04/17	OLIVE GARDEN 00011874	\$219.53	MICHAEL HAMEL
2019/04/12	PARKING EP/PS	\$4.50	CHRIS BUCK
2019/04/05	PATCH PLAQUES USA	\$145.45	ANDREA SMILEY
2019/04/15	PENNWELL BOOKS #2	\$56.00	WILLIAM PRIESE
2019/04/05	POLLARDWATER.COM #3326	\$116.31	ROBERT MACKENZIE
2019/04/15	SOLDANS FEEDS & PET S	\$78.71	CATHERINE ADAMS
2019/04/15	SQ *KWK-CHECK	\$20.00	WILLIAM PRIESE
2019/04/10	THE HOME DEPOT #2723	\$31.96	LAWRENCE BOBB
2019/04/15	THE HOME DEPOT #2723	\$17.85	TYLER KENNEL
2019/04/17	THE HOME DEPOT #2723	\$12.22	TYLER KENNEL
2019/04/08	THE HOME DEPOT #2723	(\$5.53)	PETER VASILION
2019/04/08	THE HOME DEPOT #2723	\$12.07	PETER VASILION
2019/04/08	THE HOME DEPOT #2723	\$18.62	PETER VASILION
2019/04/12	THE HOME DEPOT #2723	\$33.36	PETER VASILION
2019/04/12	THE HOME DEPOT #2723	\$20.92	PETER VASILION
2019/04/15	THE HOME DEPOT #2723	\$18.45	PETER VASILION
2019/04/17	THE HOME DEPOT #2723	\$32.95	PETER VASILION
2019/04/12	THE HOME DEPOT #2723	\$109.01	TODD FRANK
2019/04/17	THE HOME DEPOT #2723	\$9.27	TOM OXENDER
2019/04/15	THE HOME DEPOT #2723	\$29.97	DAN PALACIOS
2019/04/17	THE HOME DEPOT #2723	\$25.96	DAN PALACIOS
2019/04/04	THE HOME DEPOT #2723	\$59.94	MATT FOREMAN
2019/04/08	THE HOME DEPOT #2723	\$23.92	MATT FOREMAN
2019/04/17	THE HOME DEPOT #2723	\$28.22	MATT FOREMAN
2019/04/15	THE HOME DEPOT 2723	\$83.73	MATT FOREMAN
2019/04/11	TOM'S FOOD	\$34.63	MIKE ELLIS
TOTAL		\$6,631.48	

ACH Transactions

Date	Payee	Amount	Purpose
04/16/19	Blue Care Network	13,278.79	Employee Health Insurance
04/08/19	Delta Dental	15,057.27	Employee Dental Insurance
04/09/19	Blue Care Network	11,732.36	Employee Health Insurance
04/10/19	Various Financial Institutions	264,131.50	Direct Deposit 4/10/19 Payroll
04/17/19	Elan	26,511.39	Credit Card Payment - March
04/10/19	ICMA	40,125.93	Payroll Deductions 4/10/19 Payroll
04/10/19	IRS	92,292.02	Payroll Taxes 4/10/19 Payroll
04/16/19	Consumers	66,342.17	Electric & Gas
04/12/19	MERS	277,006.45	Pension
04/11/19	MERS	<u>1,500,000.00</u>	Pension
	Total ACH Payments	<u>2,306,477.88</u>	



9. D.

To: Township Board Members

From: Derek N. Perry, Assistant Township Manager
Director of Public Works & Engineering

Younes Ishraidi, P.E., Chief Engineer

Date: April 18, 2019

Re: Re-appointments to the Lake Lansing Watershed Advisory Committee

The plan adopted for the Lake Lansing Watershed Management Special Assessment District created an Advisory Committee. It consists of four lakefront property owners (Tier 1), two off-lake (Tier 2) property owners, the Ingham County Drain Commissioner, Ingham County Parks, and a Township staff person.

The purpose of the committee is to implement the watershed management plan. The six property owners serve staggered 2-year terms, ending April 30, with 50% overlap. Meetings are informal and are held in the Meridian Township Municipal Building, voluntarily promulgated under the Open Meetings Act.

The following members will continue to serve until April 30, 2020:

Timothy McCarthy	6076 Columbia	Tier One
Curtis Armbruster	6411 E. Reynolds	Tier One
Steven Culling	6193 Columbia	Tier Two

The Lake Lansing Advisory Committee recommends the following persons be re-appointed to the Lake Lansing Advisory Committee until April 30, 2021. Their Applications for Public Service are attached.

Robert Hollenshead	6068 Columbia	Tier One
Ronald Rowe	6247 E. Lake Drive	Tier One
Larry Wagenknecht	6097 Partridge	Tier Two

Proposed Motion:

“Move that the following property owners be re-appointed to the Lake Lansing Watershed Advisory Committee for terms expiring April 30, 2021: Robert Hollenshead, 6068 Columbia; Ronald Rowe, 6247 E. Lake Drive; Larry Wagenknecht, 6097 Partridge”

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APPLICATION FOR PUBLIC SERVICE

I am interested in service on one or more of the following public bodies as checked below:

- | | |
|---|--|
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Economic Development Corporation | <input type="checkbox"/> Other |

(*Special conditions restrict eligibility for appointment)

Indicate areas not included above which may warrant special attention or study that are of interest to you:

Summarize your reasons for applying for this type of public service:

Describe education, experience or training which will assist you if appointed. (Attach resume if available)

Name: Robert Hollenshead
 Occupation: Retired Place of Employment: _____
 Home Address: 6068 Columbia St Haskett MI 48840
 Phone: (days) 339-3392 (evenings) 339-3392 E-mail robert.hollenshead@sbcglobal.net
 Signature: [Handwritten Signature] Date Apr 9, 2019

Other than the Downtown Development Authority Board and the Economic Development Corporation, persons appointed to Meridian Township boards and commissions must be a resident and elector (if of voting age) of the Township during the term of office. Excessive absences may be cause for review of appointment.

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The policy for appointment of candidates to the various public service positions is based on the following criteria: desire to serve, experience, expertise, availability of time to serve, and maintenance of equitable geographic representation. In most instances it will be desirable to develop further information through a personal interview. This application will be retained in township files for two years. Please return this form to the Office of the Clerk, Charter Township of Meridian.

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Registered Voter:	<u>Y/N</u>	<u>UWAC</u>	<u>2019-12</u>	
Date Appointed:				

Revised: April 24, 2017

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Summarize your reasons for applying for this type of public service:

47 YEARS LAKE LANSING RESIDENT INVOLVED IN LAKE "CLEAN-UP" DAYS & CONTINUOUS INTEREST IN HEALTH OF LAKE/WATER QUALITY

Describe education, experience or training which will assist you if appointed. (Attach resume if available)

GOOSE EGGS
RESEMP TRAINING
MULTIPLE YEARS ON
S.A.P COMMITTEE
ADVISORY

Name: RONALD W. ROWE

Occupation: RETIRED Place of Employment: -

Home Address: 6247 E LAKE DR. 03.

Phone: (days) 517-339-8429 (evenings) SAME E-mail RWR0WESKI@AOL.COM

Signature [Handwritten Signature] Date 9 APRIL 2019

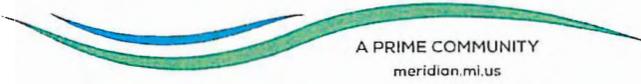
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Registered Voter:	<u>(Y/N)</u>	<u>LLWAC</u>	<u>2019-10</u>	
Date Appointed:				

Revised: April 24, 2017



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Indicate areas not included above which may warrant special attention or study that are of interest to you:

Summarize your reasons for applying for this type of public service: *I have served on the Committee for a number of years (served as previous chair). I am a Tier 3 property owner that is committed to maintaining and improving the water quality & use of Lake Lansing.*
Describe education, experience or training which will assist you if appointed. (Attach resume if available)

Name: Larry Wagenknecht
Occupation: Pharmacist Place of Employment: Michigan Pharmacists Association
Home Address: 6097 Partridge St., Haslett, MI 48840
Phone: (days) 517-377-0224 (evenings) 517-719-6167 E-mail: larry@michiganpharmacists.org
Signature: [Signature] Date: 4/9/19

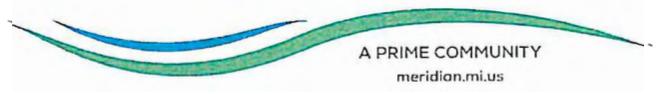
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Date Appointed:				

Revised: April 24, 2017





To: Board Members
From: Joyce A. Marx, Human Resources Director
Date: April 19, 2019
Re: Resolution Establishing Authorized Signatories for MERS

Meridian Township is a participating municipality with the Municipal Employees' Retirement System of Michigan (MERS). MERS requires employers to designate authorized representatives to execute contracts and service credit purchase approvals.

The following motion has been prepared for Board consideration:

MOVE TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING AUTHORIZED SIGNATORIES FOR MERS CONTRACTS AND SERVICE CREDIT PURCHASE APPROVALS.

Attachment:

1. Resolution Establishing Authorized Signatories for MERS

Resolution Establishing Authorized Signatories for MERS Contracts and Service Credit Purchase Approvals



1134 Municipal Way Lansing, MI 48917 | 800.767.MERS (6377) | Fax 517.703.9711

www.mersofmich.com

This Resolution is entered into under the provisions of 1996 PA 220 and the Municipal Employees' Retirement System of Michigan ("MERS") Plan Document, as each may be amended.

This resolution applies to reporting unit(s) # _____ of the participating municipality listed below.

WHEREAS, _____ ("Employer") is a participating municipality with the Municipal Employees' Retirement System of Michigan ("MERS") and has adopted one or more retirement, insurance, investment or other post-employment benefit products administered by MERS;

WHEREAS, MERS requires signatures of an authorized representative of the Employer to execute contracts with MERS, the entry of which is authorized by the governing body and permitted under the applicable MERS Plan Document(s);

WHEREAS, the Employer wishes to designate certain job position(s), the holder(s) of which may sign MERS' contracts relating to the adoption, amendment and termination of MERS' products, and defined benefit service credit purchase approvals on behalf of Employer to implement decisions and actions of the governing body;

WHEREAS, this Resolution is not intended to apply to MERS forms or any other MERS document except as specifically mentioned herein,

Therefore, the Governing Body resolves:

The holders of the following job position(s) are hereby *Authorized Officials* that can sign: (1) MERS Adoption Agreements, Resolutions, Participation Agreements, Administrative Services Agreements, Withdrawal Agreements and any other contracts between MERS and the Employer with respect to Employer's participation in any MERS-administered product and any amendments and addendums thereto, and (2) MERS Defined Benefit service credit purchase approvals:

1. _____

Optional additional job positions:

2. _____

3. _____

This Resolution may be revoked in writing or amended by the Governing Body at any time, provided that it will not be effective until such writing or amended Resolution is received by MERS. The Governing Body agrees that MERS may rely upon this Resolution as conferring signing authority upon the holders of the above job position(s) to bind Employer with respect to MERS.

Adopted at a regular/special meeting of the Governing Body on _____, 20_____.

Authorized signatory: _____

Name: _____

Title: _____



To: Township Board
From: LuAnn Maisner, Director of Parks and Recreation
Date: April 19, 2019
Re: Celebrate Meridian Liquor License Resolution

Meridian Township Parks & Recreation Department is requesting Township Board approval to apply for a one-day liquor license to sell beer and wine at the Celebrate Meridian event scheduled for Saturday, June 29, 2019. The license type is a "Special License for Consumption on the Premises" which is issued by the Michigan Liquor Control Commission (MLCC), under authority from the Michigan Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs (LARA). A certified copy of a resolution of the Township Board authorizing the license request must be included in the application to the State.

For municipalities, the license fee for the "Special License" is \$50. The license is good for one day, with sales restricted to 7 am until 2 am. The Celebrate event will run from approximately 11 am until 11 pm. The Parks & Recreation Department is prepared to provide a secure site with appropriate barriers as required by law and monitor and restrict beer/wine sales from visibly intoxicated persons and minors.

Motion for Board Consideration

MOTION TO APPROVE THE ATTACHED RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE APPLICATION OF A ONE-DAY LIQUOR LICENSE FROM THE MICHIGAN LIQUOR CONTROL COMMISSION FOR SALE OF BEER AND WINE AT THE CELEBRATE MERIDIAN FESTIVAL ON JUNE 29, 2019.

Attachment

1. Resolution to approve license application.



11.A. & 13.I.

To: Township Board Members

**From: Derek N. Perry, Assistant Township Manager
Director of Public Works & Engineering**

Younes Ishraidi, P.E., Chief Engineer

Date: April 18, 2019

**Re: Kansas Road Sanitary Sewer Main
Special Assessment District #52 – Re-apportionment**

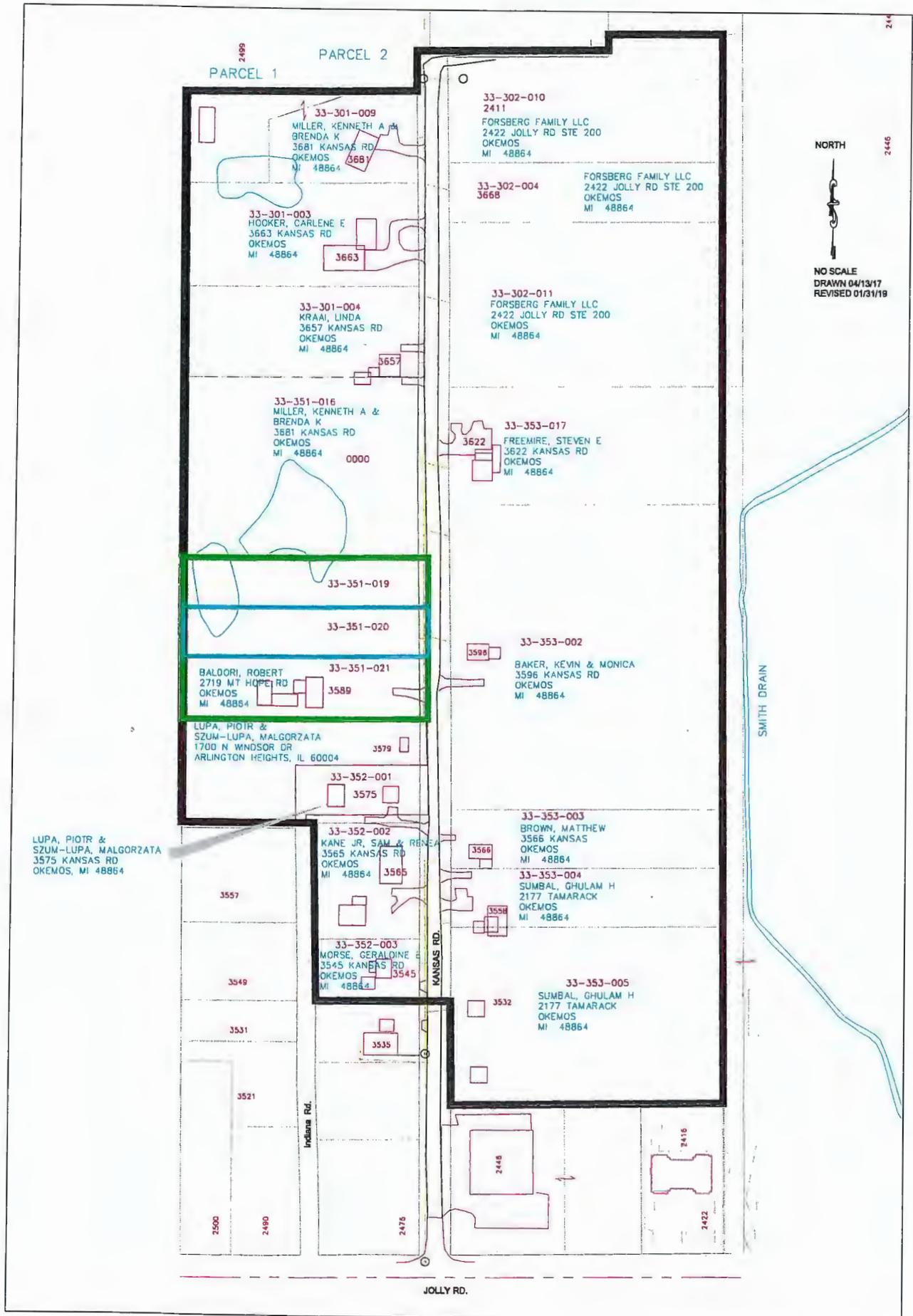
The final roll for the Kansas Road Sanitary Sewer Main Special Assessment District (SAD) #52 was approved by the Township Board on April 18, 2017. However, the assessments will need to be re-apportioned due to parcel splits in 2018 within the approved SAD. The parcel splits increased the number of parcels within the SAD from the original seventeen (17) to nineteen (19).

The original assessments are proposed to be re-apportioned to reflect the new number of benefitting parcels. All original parcels will be credited approximately \$673 on their original assessments of \$6,893.60. As such, the new re-apportioned assessment per parcel will be approximately \$6,221. Original assessments that have been paid in full, will receive a refund. Remaining balances on original assessments that have not been paid yet, will be lowered accordingly. The two additional parcels will each be assessed approximately \$5,721. This amount is based on the fact that unlike the other seventeen parcels, these two new parcels do not have sanitary sewer laterals and the owners will need to install them at their own cost, when the parcels are developed.

Notices have been published and sent to property owners regarding the proposed re-apportionments and the public hearing as required by Public Act 188 of 1954.

The public hearing is to hear comments in favor and/or objections to the proposed re-apportionment of the Kansas Street Sanitary Sewer Special Assessment District # 52.

KANSAS ROAD SANITARY SEWER ASSESSMENT DISTRICT #52



NO SCALE
DRAWN 04/13/17
REVISED 01/31/18

LUPA, PIOTR & SZUM-LUPA, MALGORZATA
3575 KANSAS RD
OKEMOS, MI 48864

JOLLY RD.

FINAL ASSESSMENT ROLL
(Proposed for 2019 Re-apportionments)

	Parcel #	Address		Mailing Address						Assessment
				Primary Name	Street Address	City	ST	Zip		
1	3302-02-33-301-003	3663	Kansas Road	Carlene E. Hooker	3663 Kansas Road	Okemos	MI	48864	\$6,220.59	
2	3302-02-33-301-004	3657	Kansas Road	Linda Kraai	3657 Kansas Road	Okemos	MI	48864	\$6,220.59	
3	3302-02-33-301-009	3681	Kansas Road	Kenneth & Brenda Miller	3681 Kansas Road	Okemos	MI	48864	\$6,220.59	
4	3302-02-33-302-010	2411	Kansas Road	Forsberg Family LLC	2422 Jolly Road, Suite 200	Okemos	MI	48864	\$6,220.59	
5	3302-02-33-302-004	3668	Kansas Road	Forsberg Family LLC	2422 Jolly Road, Suite 200	Okemos	MI	48864	\$6,220.59	
6	3302-02-33-302-011	0	Kansas Road	Forsberg Family LLC	2422 Jolly Road, Suite 200	Okemos	MI	48864	\$6,220.59	
7	3302-02-33-351-016	0	Kansas Road	Kenneth & Brenda Miller	3681 Kansas Road	Okemos	MI	48864	\$6,220.59	
8	3302-02-33-351-019	0	Kansas Road	Robert Baldori	2719 Mt. Hope Road	Okemos	MI	48864	\$5,720.59	
9	3302-02-33-351-020	0	Kansas Road	Robert Baldori	2719 Mt. Hope Road	Okemos	MI	48864	\$5,720.59	
10	3302-02-33-351-021	3589	Kansas Road	Robert Baldori	2719 Mt. Hope Road	Okemos	MI	48864	\$6,220.59	
11	3302-02-33-351-018	3579	Indiana Road	Piotr Lupa & Malgorzata Szum-Lupa	3575 Kansas Road	Okemos	IL	60004	\$6,220.59	
12	3302-02-33-352-008	3575	Kansas Road	Piotr Lupa & Malgorzata Szum-Lupa	3575 Kansas Road	Okemos	MI	48864	\$6,220.59	
13	3302-02-33-352-010	3565	Kansas Road	Sam & Renea Kane Jr.	3565 Kansas Road	Okemos	MI	48864	\$6,220.59	
14	3302-02-33-352-003	3545	Kansas Road	Geraldine E. Morse	3545 Kansas Road	Okemos	MI	48864	\$6,220.59	
15	3302-02-33-353-002	3596	Kansas Road	Kevin & Monica Baker	3596 Kansas Road	Okemos	MI	48864	\$6,220.59	
16	3302-02-33-353-003	3566	Kansas Road	Matthew Brown	3566 Kansas Road	Okemos	MI	48864	\$6,220.59	
17	3302-02-33-353-004	3558	Kansas Road	Ghulam H. Sumbal	1998 Jolly Road	Okemos	MI	48864	\$6,220.59	
18	3302-02-33-353-005	3532	Kansas Road	Ghulam H. Sumbal	1998 Jolly Road	Okemos	MI	48864	\$6,220.59	
19	3302-02-33-353-017	3622	Kansas Road	Steven E. Freemire	3622 Kansas Road	Okemos	MI	48864	\$6,220.59	
									\$117,191.21	

New parcels split from original 33-351-017
Assessments for two of these parcels is \$500 less as they have no laterals

3302-02-33-302-010
3302-02-33-302-011
3302-02-33-352-010

Old parcel #3302-02-33-302-003
Old parcel #3302-02-33-302-005
Old parcel #3302-02-33-352-002



12.A

To: Township Board

From: Mark Kieselbach, Director of Community Planning and Development
Mackenzie Dean, Assistant Planner

Date: April 16, 2019

Re: Time Limitations for Vending - Final Adoption

At its regular meeting on April 9, 2019, the Township Board approved for introduction an amendment to Chapter 38, Section 38-124 of the Code of Ordinances to reduce the evening hours for vending between April 1st and October 31st from 8:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

A resolution for final adoption of the amendment to the Vendors Ordinance is attached for the Board's approval. The following motion has been provided for the Board's consideration:

Move to adopt the resolution for final adoption of Ordinance No. 2019-05 to amend Chapter 38, Article IV, Vendors of the Code of Ordinances.

Attachment

1. Resolution for Final Adoption.

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RESOLUTION TO APPROVE

**Amendment to Chapter 38, Article IV—Vendors
Licenses, Permits, and Miscellaneous Regulations
(Township Board)
FINAL ADOPTION**

RESOLUTION

At the regular meeting of the Township Board of the Charter Township of Meridian, Ingham County, Michigan, held at the Meridian Municipal Building, in said Township on the 23rd day of April, 2019, at 6:00 p.m., Local Time.

PRESENT: _____

ABSENT: _____

The following resolution was offered by _____ and supported by _____.

WHEREAS, the proposed amendment proposes to reduce the hours (9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.) for vending between April 1 to October 31; and

WHEREAS, the proposed amendment develops more reasonable hours for vending in residential areas; and

WHEREAS, the proposed amendment reduces the impact of vending on residents late in the evening; and

WHEREAS, the Township Board discussed the proposed amendment at its regular meetings on February 19, 2019 and March 5, 2019; and

WHEREAS, the Township Board introduced the proposed ordinance for publication and subsequent adoption on April 9, 2019.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MERIDIAN hereby **FINALLY ADOPTS** Ordinance No. 2019-05, entitled "Ordinance Amending the Code of the Charter Township of Meridian, Ingham County, Michigan, Chapter 38, Article IV Vendors, Division 1, Section 38-124.

ADOPTED: YEAS: _____

NAYS: _____

STATE OF MICHIGAN)
) ss
COUNTY OF INGHAM)

I, the undersigned, the duly qualified and acting Clerk of the Charter Township of Meridian, Ingham County, Michigan, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing is a true and a complete copy of a resolution adopted at a regular meeting of the Township Board on the 23rd day of April, 2019.

Brett Dreyfus
Township Clerk

ORDINANCE NO. 19-05

**ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MERIDIAN,
INGHAM COUNTY, MICHIGAN BY AMENDING CHAPTER 38, ARTICLE IV VENDORS, DIVISION 1,
SECTION 38-124**

THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MERIDIAN ORDAINS:

Section 1.

A. Amendment to Chapter 38, Article IV, Division 1, Section 38-124. Section 38-124 entitled Location and Time Limitations, of the Code of the Charter Township of Meridian, Ingham County, Michigan, is hereby amended to read as follows:

Section 38-124. Location and time limitations.

When any vendor engages in the conduct of vending using a handcart, pushcart, wagon, motor vehicle, railroad car, or other vehicle conveyance, or from a fixed place in a temporary structure or shelter, or from a fixed place not within a building, such vendor shall not occupy any site, or any other location within 1,000 feet of that site, for a period in excess of 14 days, either continuously or intermittently, during the period of a valid license. Except in a Commercial District, vending may only occur between 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., from April 1 to October 31 and 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., November 1 to March 31.

Section 38-121, Section 38-122, Section 38-123, Section 38-125 and Section 38-126 remain as written.

Section 2. Validity and Severability. The provisions of this Ordinance are severable and the invalidity of any phrase, clause or part of this Ordinance shall not affect the validity or effectiveness of the remainder of the Ordinance.

Section 3. Repealer Clause. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict therewith are hereby repealed only to the extent necessary to give this Ordinance full force and effect.

Section 4. Savings Clause. This Ordinance does not affect rights and duties matured, penalties that were incurred, and proceedings that were begun before its effective date.

Section 5. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall become effective thirty (30) days following the date of publication.

Ronald J. Styka, Township Supervisor

Brett Dreyfus, Township Clerk

William K. Fahey, Township Attorney



12.B

To: Township Board

From: Mark Kieselbach, Director of Community Development and Planning
Mackenzie Dean, Assistant Planner

Date: April 16, 2019

Re: Fireworks Ordinance – Final Adoption

At its regular meeting on April 9, 2019, the Township Board approved for introduction an amendment to Chapter 26, Article I, Fireworks.

A resolution for final adoption of the Fireworks Ordinance is attached for the Board's approval. The following motion has been provided for the Board's consideration:

Move to adopt the resolution for final adoption of Ordinance No. 2019-06 to amend Chapter 26, Article I, Fireworks of the Code of Ordinances.

Attachment

1. Resolution for Final Adoption.

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RESOLUTION TO APPROVE

**Amendment to Chapter 26, Article I—Fireworks
Fire Protection and Prevention
(Township Board)
FINAL ADOPTION**

RESOLUTION

At the regular meeting of the Township Board of the Charter Township of Meridian, Ingham County, Michigan, held at the Meridian Municipal Building, in said Township on the 23rd day of April, 2019, at 6:00 p.m., Local Time.

PRESENT: _____

ABSENT: _____

The following resolution was offered by _____ and supported by _____.

WHEREAS, Public Act 256 of 2011 Michigan Fireworks Safety Act was amended in 2018; and

WHEREAS, the proposed amendment to Chapter 26, Article I, Fireworks of the Code of Ordinances is in compliance with Michigan Fireworks Safety Act as amended; and

WHEREAS, the Township Board wishes to amend its existing fireworks safety ordinance to meet the requirements of the Michigan Fireworks Safety Act; and

WHEREAS, the Township Board believes that responsible regulation of the ignition, discharge and use of consumer fireworks by decreasing the allowable days and hours to ignite consumer fireworks is necessary for the safety and well-being of Township residents and their property; and

WHEREAS, the Township Board believes that the responsible regulation of the ignition, discharge, and use of consumer fireworks on public property, school property, church property, or the property of another person without permission is necessary for the well-being of Township residents, their property, others property; and

WHEREAS, the proposed ordinance is intended to ensure the safety of individuals using fireworks by prohibiting the use of fireworks by minors and the use of fireworks under the influence of alcohol and/or a controlled substance; and

WHEREAS, the proposed amendment will help protect the health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of Meridian Township by enforcing a no-burning restriction if environmental concerns based on the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) fire division’s criteria are elevated to “extreme” or to “very high” for 72 consecutive hours; and

WHEREAS, the Township Board discussed the proposed amendment at its regular meeting on March 19, 2019; and

WHEREAS, the Township Board introduced the proposed ordinance for publication and subsequent adoption on April 9, 2019.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MERIDIAN hereby **FINALLY ADOPTS** Ordinance No. 2019-06, entitled "Ordinance Amending the Code of the Charter Township of Meridian, Ingham County, Michigan, Chapter 26, Article I, Fireworks.

ADOPTED: YEAS: _____

NAYS: _____

STATE OF MICHIGAN)

) ss

COUNTY OF INGHAM)

I, the undersigned, the duly qualified and acting Clerk of the Charter Township of Meridian, Ingham County, Michigan, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing is a true and a complete copy of a resolution adopted at a regular meeting of the Township Board on the 23rd day of April, 2019.

Brett Dreyfus
Township Clerk

ORDINANCE NO. 19-06

**ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MERIDIAN, INGHAM COUNTY,
MICHIGAN CHAPTER 26, ARTICLE I, FIREWORKS**

THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MERIDIAN ORDAINS:

Section 1.

A. Amendment to Chapter 26, Article I, Section 26-1. Section 26-1 entitled Ignition, discharge and use of consumer fireworks, of the Code of the Charter Township of Meridian, Ingham County, Michigan, is hereby amended to change the title to Definitions and to read as follows:

**ARTICLE I
Fireworks**

Section 26-1. Definitions.

(a) The following words, terms, and phrases, when used in this article, shall have the meanings ascribed to them in this section, except where the context clearly indicates a different meaning:

The following definitions shall remain as written:

ACT 256 — The Michigan Fireworks Safety Act, Public Act 256 of 2011, MCL § 28.451 et seq., as amended.

APA STANDARD 87-1 — The 2001 APA Standard 87-1, Standard for Construction and Approval for Transportation of Fireworks, Novelties, and Theatrical Pyrotechnics, published by the American Pyrotechnics Association of Bethesda, Maryland.

CONSUMER FIREWORKS — Fireworks that are designed to produce visible or audible effects by combustion, that are required to comply with the construction, chemical composition, and labeling regulations promulgated by the United States Consumer Product Safety Commission under 16 CFR Parts 1500 and 1507, and that are listed in APA Standard 87-1, 3.1.2, 3.1.3, or 3.5. Consumer fireworks does not include low-impact fireworks.

LOW-IMPACT FIREWORKS — Ground and handheld sparkling devices, as that phrase is defined under APA Standard 87-1, 3.1, 3.1.1.1 to 3.1.1.8, and 3.5.

SKY LANTERN — A balloon-type device which is uncontrollable after launch and uses combustible or flammable material to provide heat for lift or buoyancy into the atmosphere, and which is not a consumer firework.

The following new definitions shall be added in the appropriate order:

ARTICLES PYROTECHNIC — Articles pyrotechnic means pyrotechnic devices for professional use that are similar to consumer fireworks in chemical composition and construction but not intended for consumer use, that meet the weight limits for Consumer Fireworks but are not labeled as such, and that are classified as UN0431 or UN0432 under 49 CFR 172.101.

COMMERCIAL MANUFACTURER — A person engaged in the manufacture of consumer fireworks.
DISPLAY FIREWORKS — Large fireworks devices and explosive materials intended for use in fireworks displays and designed to produce visible or audible effects by combustion, deflagration, or detonation, as provided in 27 CFR 555.11, 49 CFR 172, and APA standard 87-1, 4.1.

FIREWORK OR FIREWORKS — Any composition or device, except for a starting pistol, a flare gun, or a flare, designed for the purpose of producing a visible or audible effect by combustion, deflagration, or detonation. Fireworks consist of consumer fireworks, low-impact fireworks, articles pyrotechnic, display fireworks, homemade fireworks, and special effects.

HOLIDAYS — For the purposes of this ordinance means the following dates, beginning at 11:00 a.m. on each day:

- (1) December 31 until 1 a.m. on January 1.
- (2) The Saturday and Sunday immediately preceding Memorial Day until 11:45 p.m. on each of those days.
- (3) June 29 to July 4 until 11:45 p.m. on each of those days.
- (4) July 5, if that date is a Friday or Saturday, until 11:45 p.m.
- (5) The Saturday and Sunday immediately preceding Labor Day until 11:45 p.m. on each of those days.

HOMEMADE FIREWORKS — Any composition or device designed for the purpose of producing a visible or audible effect by combustion, deflagration, or detonation that is not produced by a commercial manufacturer and does not comply with the construction, chemical composition, and labeling regulations of the United States Consumer Product Safety Commission under 16 CFR parts 1500 and 1507.

MINOR — An individual who is less than 18 years of age.

NOVELTIES — Means that term as defined under APA standard 87-1, 3.2.2, 3.2.3, 3.2.4, 3.2.4 and 3.2.5 and all of the following:

- (1) Toy plastic or paper cups for toy pistols in sheet, strips, rolls, or individual caps containing not more than .25 of a grain of explosive content per cap, in packages labeled to indicate the maximum explosive content per cap.
- (2) Toy pistols, toy cannons, toy canes, toy trick noisemakers, and toy guns in which toy caps as described in subparagraph (1) are used, that are constructed so that the hand cannot come into contact with the cap when in place for the explosion, and that are not designed to break apart or be separated so as to form a missile by the explosion.
- (3) Flitter sparklers in paper tube not exceeding 1/8 inch in diameter.
- (4) Toy snakes not containing mercury, if packed in cardboard boxes with not more than 12 pieces per box for retail sale and if the manufacturer's name and the quantity contained in each box are printed on the box, and toy smoke devices.

PERSON — An individual, agent, association, charitable organization, company, limited liability company, corporation, labor organization, legal representative, partnership, unincorporated organization, or any other legal or commercial entity.

B. Amendment to Chapter 26, Article I, Section 26-2. Section 26-2 entitled Ignition, discharge and use of low impact fireworks, of the Code of the Charter Township of Meridian, Ingham County, Michigan, is hereby amended to read as follows:

Section 26-2. Ignition, discharge and use of low-impact and novelty fireworks.

The use of low-impact fireworks and novelty fireworks is permitted year-round between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 11:00 p.m.

C. Amendment to Chapter 26, Article I, Section 26-3. Section 26-3 entitled Ignition, discharge and use of consumer fireworks, of the Code of the Charter Township of Meridian, Ingham County, Michigan, is hereby amended to read as follows:

Section 26-3. Ignition, discharge and use of consumer fireworks.

- (a) A person shall not ignite, discharge, or use consumer fireworks, except as provided for in this ordinance.
- (b) A minor shall not possess consumer fireworks.

Section 26-4. Sky lantern. (Remains as written)

A person shall not ignite, discharge, or use a sky lantern.

D. Chapter 26, Article I, Section 26-5, Section 26-6 and Section 26-7. Section 26-5 entitled Enforcement, Section 26-6 entitled Seizure, and Section 26-7 entitled Penalties and costs, of the Code of the Charter Township of Meridian, Ingham County, Michigan, are hereby deleted.

E. Amendment to Chapter 26, Article I. Section 26-5 entitled Ignition, discharge, or use of consumer fireworks on public property, church property or the property of another person, of the Code of the Charter Township of Meridian, Ingham County, Michigan, is hereby added to read as follows:

Section 26-5. Ignition, discharge, or use of consumer fireworks on public property, school property, church property or the property of another person.

- (a) A person shall not ignite, discharge or use consumer fireworks on public property, school property, church property, or the property of another person without that organization's or person's express permission to use those fireworks on those premises.
- (b) A violation of this section is a civil infraction, punishable by a fine of not more than \$500.00.

F. Amendment to Chapter 26, Article I. Section 26-6 entitled Ignition, discharge, or use of consumer fireworks while under the influence, of the Code of the Charter Township of Meridian, Ingham County, Michigan, is hereby added to read as follows:

Section 26-6. Ignition, discharge, or use of consumer fireworks while under the influence.

- (a) A person shall not ignite, discharge, or use consumer fireworks or low-impact fireworks while under the influence of alcoholic liquor, a controlled substance, or a combination of alcoholic liquor and a controlled substance.
- (b) As used in this section, “alcoholic liquor” means that term as defined in Section 1d of the Michigan Vehicle Code, MCL 257.1d, as may be amended, and “controlled substance” mean that term as defined in Section 8b of the Michigan Vehicle Code, MCL 257.8b, as may be amended.
- (c) A violation of this section is a civil infraction, punishable by a fine of not more than \$1,000.00.

G. Amendment to Chapter 26, Article I. Section 26-7 entitled Regulations governing the use of consumer fireworks, of the Code of the Charter Township of Meridian, Ingham County, Michigan, is hereby added to read as follows:

Section 26-7. Regulations governing the use of consumer fireworks.

- (a) The requirements of this section do not apply to the use of consumer fireworks during a holiday.
- (b) Any person wishing to stage a consumer fireworks display shall, at least 60 days prior to the display, submit an application on a form furnished by the Township and secure permission to stage that display from the Township Board.
- (c) A site plan of the area where the fireworks display is to be conducted shall be submitted with the application. The site plan shall set forth all structures in the area and the discharge site fallout area, as well as the distance separating the mortars and the spectators viewing the display. All site plans must be approved by the Township Fire Department prior to Township Board approval.
- (d) Every person who ignites, discharges, or uses consumer fireworks shall follow National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) Code 1123 for fireworks display, the requirements of the Act and regulations promulgated thereunder, and/or Township requirements, whichever is the most restrictive.
- (e) Every person who is granted a permit to ignite, discharge, or use consumer fireworks shall maintain personal liability insurance/property damage liability insurance in the amount of \$2,000,000 as a minimum during each event. Additional insurance may be required based upon conditions and/or location of the display. The Township and its employees and/or officers shall be named as additional named insured on the insurance policy. The insurance policy must be submitted with the aforementioned application. The insurance policy shall also include coverage for the cleanup after the event has ended.
- (f) Any person using fireworks shall be responsible for all shells or devices being fired or burned. In the event any shell does not explode, the person shall secure the area until the unexploded shell is found and properly disposed of.
- (g) Smoking in an area where fireworks are being used is prohibited.

- (h) Nothing herein limits the liability of any individual for injury to any person or property as a result of the use of fireworks, including any fire suppression costs incurred as a result of improper, careless or negligent use of fireworks.
- (i) The applicant shall cause the site of the fireworks display to be cleaned up within 24 hours after the display has ended.

H. Amendment to Chapter 26, Article I. Section 26-8 entitled Dangerous conditions and no-burning restrictions, of the Code of the Charter Township of Meridian, Ingham County, Michigan, is hereby added to read as follows:

Section 26-8. Dangerous conditions and no-burning restrictions.

- (a) No person may ignite, discharge, or use any firework if the State Fire Marshal, the commanding officer of the Township's Fire Department, or a firefighter acting in uniform acting under the orders and directions of the commanding officer of the Township's Fire Department determines that a dangerous or emergency condition exists, except in strict compliance with any restrictions or requirements imposed by such an individual.
- (b) If environmental concerns based on the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) fire division's criteria are elevated to "extreme", or to "very high" for 72 consecutive hours, the commanding officer of the Township's Fire Department, in consultation with the DNR, may enforce a no burning restriction, including a ban on the ignition, discharge, and use of consumer fireworks within the Township. The governor, the DNR, or the State Fire Marshal may also enforce such a restriction statewide. If a no burning restriction is implemented by the commanding officer of the Township's Fire Department, the public shall be given adequate notice of that restriction. No later than 24 hours after the fire conditions are downgraded from extreme or very high conditions, the commanding officer of the Township's Fire Department shall lift the restriction on the use of consumer fireworks, and shall inform the public in the same manner the restriction was announced if the commanding officer initiated the ban.

I. Amendment to Chapter 26, Article I. Section 26-9 entitled Enforcement and seizure of fireworks and penalties, of the Code of the Charter Township of Meridian, Ingham County, Michigan, is hereby added to read as follows:

Section 26-9. Enforcement and seizure of fireworks and penalties.

- (a) This ordinance may be enforced by any sworn law enforcement officers, the fire chief, fire inspector, code enforcement officer, or any person authorized to issue appearance tickets or civil infractions.
- (b) If an enforcing official determines that a violation of this ordinance or the act has occurred, the official may seize the fireworks as evidence of such violation and store or cause those fireworks to be stored pending disposition of enforcement proceedings. Upon a finding of guilt, responsibility, or liability, the person so adjudged shall be required to pay all associated storage expenses.

- (c) Unless otherwise provided herein, any person who violates this ordinance is guilty of a municipal civil infraction which shall be punishable upon a finding of responsibility thereof by a fine not exceeding \$1000.00. Upon a finding of responsibility, \$500.00 of that fine shall be remitted to the local law enforcement agency responsible for enforcing the ordinance, if any.
- (d) Upon conviction, or finding of responsibility, for a violation of this ordinance, law enforcement officials may surrender any fireworks retained as evidence for prosecution of the violation to the Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs for destruction as provided by Public Act 5939 of 2018, Section 15(2).

Section 2. Validity and Severability. The provisions of this Ordinance are severable and the invalidity of any phrase, clause or part of this Ordinance shall not affect the validity or effectiveness of the remainder of the Ordinance.

Section 3. Repealer Clause. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict therewith are hereby repealed only to the extent necessary to give this Ordinance full force and effect.

Section 4. Savings Clause. This Ordinance does not affect rights and duties matured, penalties that were incurred, and proceedings that were begun before its effective date.

Section 5. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall become effective thirty (30) days following the date of publication.

Ronald J. Styka, Township Supervisor

Brett Dreyfus, Township Clerk

William K. Fahey, Township Attorney



12.C.

To: Township Board Members

**From: Derek N. Perry, Assistant Township Manager
Director of Public Works & Engineering**

Date: April 23, 2019

**Re: 2018 Order to Maintain Sidewalks Special Assessment District #18-
Resolution #4**

The Township Board approved the 2018 Order to Maintain Sidewalks Special Assessment District #18 - Resolution #3 on September 4, 2018, which approved the improvement to repair the sidewalks in the following areas:

Banyon Park; Briarwood #5; 2900 Hannah; Forest Hills #6; Heritage Hills #4; Hiawatha Lakes #5, #6, #7; Hiawatha Lakes #8; Northport of Meridian Condo; Okemos Pointe Office Park, Old English Estates, Old English Estates #2, Spring Lake, Spring Lake #2, Spring Lake #5, Trails at Lake Lansing #3; Whitehills Lakes, Wildflower Estates, Wildflower Estates #2; 4750 Hagadorn; 1660 Haslett; and 3681 Okemos Road.

These areas are located in the following Sections: 2, 3, 5, 8, 10, 15, 16, 20, 27, 33 and 34. Notices were sent to each property owner with a defective sidewalk.

This project has been completed, and the assessments have been calculated for each impacted parcel. The assessment for each property varies with the amount of sidewalk that was repaired. Please note that seventeen (17) parcels have been removed from the original assessment roll where the repairs were completed by the owner(s), or where the property line was clarified to exclude the adjacent parcel.

The attached 2018 Order to Maintain Sidewalk SAD #18-Resolution #4, files the proposed final special assessment roll with the Township Clerk and sets the date for a public hearing on Thursday, May 9, 2019. The public hearing is to hear comments in favor and/or objections to the proposed 2018 Order to Maintain Sidewalk Special Assessment District #18 special assessment roll.

Proposed Motion:

"Move to approve the 2018 Order to Maintain Sidewalk Special Assessment District #18 Resolution #4, which files the proposed special assessment roll with the Office of the Township Clerk and sets the date for a public hearing on Thursday, May 9, 2019."

Attachment

**2017 ORDER TO MAINTAIN SIDEWALK
SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DISTRICT #17**

RESOLUTION NO. 4

At a regular meeting of the Township Board of the Charter Township of Meridian, Ingham County, Michigan, held at the Meridian Township Municipal Building, 5151 Marsh Road, Okemos, Michigan 48864-1198, (517) 853-4000, on Tuesday, April 23, 2019, at 6:00 p.m.

PRESENT: _____

ABSENT: _____

The following resolution was offered by _____ and supported by _____.

WHEREAS, by resolution adopted September 4, 2018, the Township Board of the Charter Township of Meridian, determined to construct the more particularly hereinafter described public improvements to repair sidewalk and assess the cost thereof to the property deemed benefited by said improvements, all in accordance with Act 188, Public Acts of Michigan, 1954, as amended; and

WHEREAS, the Supervisor has prepared and reported to the Township Board a special assessment roll assessing the cost of said improvements to the property benefited thereby with the proper certificate attached thereto.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MERIDIAN, INGHAM COUNTY, MICHIGAN, as follows:

1. Said special assessment roll shall be filed with the Office of the Township Clerk and shall be available for public examination during regular working hours on regular working days.

2. The Township Board shall meet at 6:00 p.m. on Thursday, May 9, 2019, at the Meridian Township Municipal Building, 5151 Marsh Road, Okemos, Michigan, in the Charter Township of Meridian, for the purpose of reviewing and hearing objections to the special assessment roll.

**2018 Order to Maintain Sidewalk
Special Assessment District #18
Resolution No. 4
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3. The Township Clerk shall cause notice of such hearing and the filing of the assessment roll to be published twice in a newspaper of general circulation in the Township, prior to the date of the hearing. The first publication shall be at least ten (10) days before the hearing pursuant to Act 162, Public Acts of 1962. The Clerk shall also cause notice of such hearing to be mailed by first class mail to all property owners in the special assessment district shown on the current assessment rolls of the Township, at least ten (10) full days before the date of said hearing. Said notice as published and mailed shall be in substantially the following form: (SEE ATTACHED)

4. All resolutions and parts of resolutions insofar as they conflict with the provisions of this resolution are hereby rescinded.

ADOPTED:

YEAS: _____

NAYS: _____

Resolution declared adopted.

STATE OF MICHIGAN)

) s.s.

COUNTY OF INGHAM)

I, the undersigned, the duly qualified and acting Clerk of the Charter Township of Meridian, Ingham County, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY**, that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of proceedings taken by the Township Board at a regular meeting held on Tuesday, April 23, 2019.

Brett Dreyfus, Township Clerk
Charter Township of Meridian



CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MERIDIAN, INGHAM COUNTY

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

2018 ORDER TO MAINTAIN SIDEWALK

SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DISTRICT #18

TO THE RECORD OWNERS OF, OR PARTIES IN INTEREST IN, THE FOLLOWING PROPERTY CONSTITUTING THE PROPOSED SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DISTRICT:

(SEE ATTACHED LEGAL DESCRIPTIONS)

And excluding road right of way and other lands deemed not benefitted and excluding all streets and other land deemed not benefitted.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that a special assessment roll for the 2018 Order to Maintain Sidewalks (maintain by removal and replacement of sidewalk in various locations in the Township) has been prepared and is on file in the Office of the Township Clerk for public examination. Said special assessment roll has been prepared for the purpose of assessing the cost of the above described public improvements to the property benefitted therefrom.

TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the Township Board will meet Thursday, May 9, 2019, at 6:00 p.m. at the Meridian Township Municipal Building, 5151 Marsh Road, Okemos, MI 48864-1198, for the purpose of reviewing said special assessment roll and hearing any objections thereto.

An owner or party in interest, or his or her agent, may appear in person at the hearing to protest the special assessment, or shall be permitted to file his or her appearance or protest by letter with the Township Clerk before the close of this hearing, and his or her personal appearance is not required. The owner or any person having an interest in the real property who protests in person or in writing at the hearing may file a written appeal of the special assessment with the Michigan Tax Tribunal within 30 days after the confirmation of the special assessment roll.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding this notice, please contact Meridian Township Department of Public Works at 517. 853.4440, or by email at dpw@meridian.mi.us.

Your special assessment is proposed to be \$_____.

Dated: _____

Brett Dreyfus, Township Clerk
Charter Township of Meridian

2018 ORDER TO MAINTAIN SIDEWALK SAD #18

LEGAL DESCRIPTION

Resolution #4

Banyon Park, Section 16	Lots 7, 11, 37
Briarwood #5, Section 33	Lot 213
East Lansing Athletic Club and Health Service Pavilion, Section 20 – Common Element (Ingham County Condo Sub Plan No 286)	
Forest Hills #6, Section 27	Lots 394, 402, 416, 417
Heritage Hills #4, Section 8	
Lot 209, also beginning at the southwest corner of said lot 209; thence westerly 14 feet along an extension of the southerly lot line; thence northerly 96.97 feet parallel with the west line of said lot 209; thence easterly 14.11 feet along an extension of the northerly lot line to the northwest corner of said lot 209; thence southerly 95.21 feet to the point of beginning.	
Hiawatha Lakes #5, Section 33	Lots 43, 47, 64, and Birch Commons
Lot 57 excluding the northwesterly 20 in width thereof; also lot 73 (Hiawatha Lakes #6) excluding the northwesterly 20 in width thereof.	
Hiawatha Lakes #6, Section 33	Lot 68
Hiawatha Lakes #7, Section 33	Lot 89
Lot 79, also beginning at the southwest corner of said lot 79; thence S83°19'45"W 79.89 feet; thence N0°08'22"W 34.67 feet; thence N26°46'39"W 107.08 feet; thence N83°19'45"E 128.29 feet to the northwest corner of lot 79; thence S0°06'26"E 135.89 feet to the point of beginning.	
Hiawatha Lakes #8, Section 33	Lot 106
Northport of Meridian Condo, Section 3	Units 2, 3, 12, 21, 43
Okemos Pointe Office Park, Section 33 (Ingham County Condo Sub Plan No 267, thru 2nd Amendment) – Unit 1	
Old English Estates, Section 15	Lot 12
Old English Estates #2, Section 15	Lots 40, 52, 65, 84
Spring Lake, Section 34	Lots 22, 23
Spring Lake #2, Section 34	Lot 43
Spring Lake #5, Section 34	Lot 102
Trails at Lake Lansing #3, Section 2	Lot 109
Whitehills Lakes, Section 5	Lot 17 excluding the easterly 10 feet thereof.
Wildflower Estates, Section 10	Lots 11, 18
Wildflower Estates #2, Section 10	Lots 27, 28, 30, 34, 38, 41, 44
4750 Hagadorn, Section 20 – Commencing at the west ¼ corner of Section 20; thence N0°25'30"E 23.75 feet on the west section line; thence S89°59'30"E 33 feet to the point of beginning; thence N0°25'30"E 260.50 feet; thence S89°59'30"E 518.16 feet; thence S0°25'30"W 260.50 feet; thence N89°59'30"W 518.16 feet, more or less, to the point of beginning.	
1660 Haslett, Section 10 – Commencing at the center of Section 10; thence S0°22'46"E, 276.53 feet; thence N87°52'27"E 200 feet on the north right-of-way line of Haslett Road to the point of beginning; thence N02°07'33"W 60 feet; thence N28°05'37"W 211.37 feet; thence north 40 feet; thence N87°52'27"E 292.27 feet; thence S02°07'33"E 290 feet; thence S87°52'27"W 201.2 feet on the north line of Haslett Road to the point of beginning.	
3681 Okemos, Section 33 – Commencing at the south ¼ corner of Section 33; thence north on the north-south ¼ line 1,716.01 feet; thence S89°44'37"W 50 feet to the point of beginning; thence S89°44'37"W 290 feet on the north right-of-way line of Coyote Creek Drive; thence north 215 feet on the east right-of-way line of Sonoma Vista Drive; thence N89°44'37"E 290 feet; thence south 215 feet on the west right-of-way line of Okemos Road to the point of beginning.	

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SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DISTRICT NO. 18 - RESOLUTION 4

Repair Address					Mailing Address						Property Owner Cost
Parcel #	Subdivision	Lot No.	Repair Address		Primary Name	Street Address	City	ST	Zip		
1	33-02-02-33-476-009	HIAWATHA LAKES #7	79+	3573	AUTUMNWOOD	JAPA, ANITHA & KETHIREDDY, SAMPATH	3573 AUTUMNWOOD LN	OKEMOS	MI	48864	\$228.99
2	33-02-02-33-428-010	HIAWATHA LAKES #5	BIRCH COMMONS	0	AUTUMNWOOD	HIAWATHA LAKES ASSOCIATION	PO BOX 25125	LANSING	MI	48909	\$254.44
3	33-02-02-33-427-008	HIAWATHA LAKES #5	43	3700	AUTUMNWOOD	MADALA, MOHAN C & SOUMYA C TRUSTEES	3700 AUTUMNWOOD LN	OKEMOS	MI	48864	\$228.99
4	33-02-02-16-251-007	BANYON PARK SUB	37	2159	BANYON	CHEUNG, SING Y & GIN S	2159 BANYON TRL	EAST LANSING	MI	48823	\$52.18
5	33-02-02-33-428-032	HIAWATHA LAKES #8	106	2024	BELWOOD	YOUNG JR, MICHAEL D & RACHAEL A	2024 BELWOOD DR	OKEMOS	MI	48864	\$258.75
6	33-02-02-33-428-004	HIAWATHA LAKES #5	47	0	BELWOOD	GUPTA, SUBHASH & JO ANNE SORLIE	2073 BELWOOD DR	OKEMOS	MI	48864	\$254.44
7	33-02-02-34-352-004	SPRING LAKE #5	102	1952	BIRCH BLUFF	SCHAEFER, B PATRICK & GWEN	1952 BIRCH BLUFF DR	OKEMOS	MI	48864	\$297.56
8	33-02-02-33-478-007	HIAWATHA LAKES #5	64	2045	BIRCH BLUFF	PATEL, DEVAL A & ACHAL	2045 BIRCH BLUFF DR	OKEMOS	MI	48864	\$218.79
9	33-02-02-33-428-028	HIAWATHA LAKES #5 & #6	57-; 73-	2073	BIRCH BLUFF	LEVINE, MICHAEL C & MARY P	2073 BIRCH BLUFF DR	OKEMOS	MI	48864	\$152.66
10	33-02-02-27-281-010	FOREST HILLS SUB #6	402	1581	BIRCHWOOD	GUNASEKARAN, TAMILSELVAN & KATE	1581 BIRCHWOOD DR	OKEMOS	MI	48864	\$137.40
11	33-02-02-16-252-008	BANYON PARK SUB	7	2166	BURCHAM	YINGSHAN HSU & HSIN-YEN WU	2166 BURCHAM DR	EAST LANSING	MI	48823	\$137.40
12	33-02-02-16-252-012	BANYON PARK SUB	11	2180	BURCHAM	HABTEMARIAM, EPHRAIM T & ASMERET H	2180 BURCHAM DR	EAST LANSING	MI	48823	\$79.06
13	33-02-02-15-281-011	OLD ENGLISH ESTATES #2	84	5327	CHANTILLY	AMACHREE, OPUENE E & KAREN	5327 CHANTILLY LN	HASLETT	MI	48840	\$228.99
14	33-02-02-27-281-018	FOREST HILLS SUB #6	394	4261	CHERRY HILL	SOBEL, JESSE & KELLI	4261 CHERRY HILL DR	OKEMOS	MI	48864	\$788.76
15	33-02-02-34-401-006	SPRING LAKE #2	43	3788	CHIPPENDALE	CRANDELL, CHAD A & DAWN M	3788 CHIPPENDALE DR	OKEMOS	MI	48864	\$508.88
16	33-02-02-03-205-012	NORTHPORT OF MERIDIAN CONDO	12	1706	CRYSTAL COVE NORTH	TALARICO, MARY J	1706 N CRYSTAL COVE DR	HASLETT	MI	48840	\$297.56
17	33-02-02-03-205-043	NORTHPORT OF MERIDIAN CONDO	43	1717	CRYSTAL COVE NORTH	ROEBER, EDWARD D & DEBORAH S TRUSTEES	PO BOX 519	HASLETT	MI	48840	\$254.44
18	33-02-02-03-205-003	NORTHPORT OF MERIDIAN CONDO	3	1740	CRYSTAL COVE NORTH	JONES, SHERREN K	1740 N CRYSTAL COVE DR	HASLETT	MI	48840	\$279.88
19	33-02-02-03-205-002	NORTHPORT OF MERIDIAN CONDO	2	1746	CRYSTAL COVE NORTH	KUHLMANN, FREDERICK A & NANETTE M	1746 N CRYSTAL COVE DR	HASLETT	MI	48840	\$254.44
20	33-02-02-03-205-021	NORTHPORT OF MERIDIAN CONDO	21	1693	CRYSTAL COVE SOUTH	PETERMAN, BRENDA L TRUST	3712 WHIPPOORWILL BLVD	PUNTA GORDA	FL	33950	\$279.88
21	33-02-02-15-278-019	OLD ENGLISH ESTATES #2	40	1505	DOWNING	HOLCOMB, JAMES R & LISA M	1505 DOWNING ST	HASLETT	MI	48840	\$254.44
22	33-02-02-15-278-002	OLD ENGLISH ESTATES	12	1541	DOWNING	BARANTCHOUK, OLEG & DEBORAH E	1541 DOWNING ST	HASLETT	MI	48840	\$508.88

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23	33-02-02-20-152-008	N/A	N/A	4750	HAGADORN	EYDE HANNAH PLAZA LLC C/O CBRE MARTIN	1111 MICHIGAN AVE SUITE 300	EAST LANSING	MI	48823	\$508.88
24	33-02-02-20-153-100	EAST LANSING ATHLETIC CLUB AND HEALTH SERVICE PAVILION (INGHAM COUNTY CONDO SUB PLAN NO 286)	COMMON ELEMENT	2900	HANNAH	SPARROW DEVELOPMENT INC	1215 E MICHIGAN AVE	LANSING	MI	48912	\$483.43
25	33-02-02-10-403-002	N/A	N/A	1660	HASLETT	HASLETT COMMERCE CENTER LLC	2149 JOLLY RD STE 200	OKEMOS	MI	48864	\$508.88
26	33-02-02-08-104-009	HERITAGE HILLS #4	209+	5939	HIGHGATE	COMSTOCK JR, RICHARD & KAY	5939 HIGHGATE AVE	EAST LANSING	MI	48823	\$356.21
27	33-02-02-27-280-005	FOREST HILLS SUB #6	417	4291	INDIAN GLEN	MANTICA JR, PAUL F & STACY A HICKOX	4291 INDIAN GLEN DR	OKEMOS	MI	48864	\$537.05
28	33-02-02-27-280-004	FOREST HILLS SUB #6	416	4297	INDIAN GLEN	MILLS, STEVEN A	4297 INDIAN GLEN DR	OKEMOS	MI	48864	\$279.88
29	33-02-02-05-252-033	WHITEHILLS LAKES	17-	2581	MEADOW WOOD	THEIS, CHARLES L & NANCY A	2581 MEADOW WOOD DR	EAST LANSING	MI	48823	\$297.56
30	33-02-02-33-329-001	OKEMOS POINTE OFFICE PARK (INGHAM COUNTY CONDO SUB PLAN NO 267)	1	3657	OKEMOS	MICHIGAN DENTAL ASSOCIATION HQ LLC	3657 OKEMOS RD STE 200	OKEMOS	MI	48864	\$585.21
31	33-02-02-33-326-032	N/A	N/A	3681	OKEMOS	EYDE PORTFOLIO B LLC	P O BOX 4218	EAST LANSING	MI	48826	\$859.63
32	33-02-02-34-327-014	SPRING LAKE SUBDIVISION	23	1792	SPRING LAKE	HONG, HONG	1792 SPRING LAKE DR	OKEMOS	MI	48864	\$71.16
33	33-02-02-34-327-015	SPRING LAKE SUBDIVISION	22	1798	SPRING LAKE	JUNG, JIA YING TRUST	1798 SPRING LAKE DR	OKEMOS	MI	48864	\$269.68
34	33-02-02-10-353-011	WILDFLOWER EST. #2	34	5566	STAR FLOWER	ZEKA, BESIM & SEMSA	5566 STAR FLOWER DR	HASLETT	MI	48840	\$483.43
35	33-02-02-10-352-009	WILDFLOWER EST. #2	44	5579	STAR FLOWER	ABDI, NURDEAN	5579 STAR FLOWER DR	HASLETT	MI	48840	\$254.44
36	33-02-02-10-353-007	WILDFLOWER EST. #2	30	5590	STAR FLOWER	YU, LI	5590 STAR FLOWER DR	HASLETT	MI	48840	\$228.99
37	33-02-02-10-352-006	WILDFLOWER EST. #2	41	5595	STAR FLOWER	FUDALY, CAROL M TRUSTEE	5595 STAR FLOWER DR	HASLETT	MI	48840	\$254.44
38	33-02-02-10-353-005	WILDFLOWER EST. #2	28	5604	STAR FLOWER	BOLIN, STEVEN R & CAROLE A	5604 STAR FLOWER DR	HASLETT	MI	48840	\$264.50
39	33-02-02-10-353-004	WILDFLOWER EST. #2	27	5608	STAR FLOWER	REILLY, MARY JO & WILLIAM D BAUGH	5608 STAR FLOWER DR	HASLETT	MI	48840	\$228.99
40	33-02-02-10-352-003	WILDFLOWER EST. #2	38	5613	STAR FLOWER	VILLAIRE, CATHERINE C & ANDREW J	5613 STAR FLOWER DR	HASLETT	MI	48840	\$284.91
41	33-02-02-33-278-019	BRIARWOOD SUB #5	213	2060	TAMARACK	FERENCE, ROBERT A & RUTH ANN TRUSTEES	2060 TAMARACK DR	OKEMOS	MI	48864	\$534.32
42	33-02-02-15-279-008	OLD ENGLISH ESTATES #2	52	5328	THAMES	ZAND, HAMID R	5328 THAMES DR	HASLETT	MI	48840	\$254.44
43	33-02-02-15-280-026	OLD ENGLISH ESTATES #2	65	5329	THAMES	KIM, SEONG-SU & HYUNKYUNG	5329 THAMES DR	HASLETT	MI	48840	\$254.44
44	33-02-02-33-478-019	HIAWATHA LAKES #7	89	2016	TIMBERVIEW	MOORE, EDDIE A & MARILYN M	2016 TIMBERVIEW DR	OKEMOS	MI	48864	\$203.55
45	33-02-02-33-478-012	HIAWATHA LAKES #6	68	2044	TIMBERVIEW	LI, SHU GUANG & XU WU	2044 TIMBERVIEW DR	OKEMOS	MI	48864	\$254.44
46	33-02-02-02-431-019	TRAILS AT LAKE LANSING #3	109	1067	WILD GINGER	HUBBARD, BRANDON C & SARAH J	1067 WILD GINGER TRL	HASLETT	MI	48840	\$381.66
47	33-02-02-10-376-017	WILDFLOWER EST.	11	5560	WILD IRIS	BROWNBACK, DAVID W & ALISON D	5560 WILD IRIS LN	HASLETT	MI	48840	\$203.55
48	33-02-02-10-377-007	WILDFLOWER EST.	18	5569	WILD IRIS	ZHU, DAVID C & LEANNA B	5569 WILD IRIS LN	HASLETT	MI	48840	\$534.32
											\$15,334.80

**2018 ORDER TO MAINTAIN SIDEWALK
SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DISTRICT NO. 18**

-- CERTIFICATE OF SUPERVISOR --

STATE OF MICHIGAN)
) ss.
COUNTY OF INGHAM)

I, Ronald J Styka, Supervisor of the Charter Township of Meridian, Ingham County, Michigan, hereby certify that the attached 2018 Order to Maintain Sidewalk Special Assessment District #18 Special Assessment Roll was made by me pursuant to the resolution of the Township Board of said Charter Township of Meridian heretofore adopted on April 23, 2019, and that in making such assessment roll, to the best of my judgment, I conformed in all respects to the directions contained in such resolution and the Statutes of the State of Michigan.

Ronald J Styka, Supervisor

DATED:

Subscribed and sworn to before me this _____ day of _____, 2019.

Notary Public, Ingham County, MI
My Commission expires: _____
Acting in Ingham County

AFFIDAVIT OF MAILING

STATE OF MICHIGAN)
) ss.
COUNTY OF INGHAM)

I, the undersigned, the duly qualified and acting Clerk of the Charter Township of Michigan, Ingham County, Michigan, depose and say that I personally prepared for mailing and mailed by first class mail, on _____, a notice of hearing, a true copy of which is attached hereto and made a part hereof, to each property owner of or party in interest in property located within the special assessment district described in the attached notice, whose name appears upon the last local tax assessment records for ad valorem tax purposes, which has been reviewed by the local board of review as supplemented by any subsequent changes in the names or the addresses of such owners or parties listed thereon; that I personally checked each envelope against the list of such owners or parties in interest shown by said tax assessment roll and that each envelope was properly addressed to each owner or party in interest as shown on said tax assessment roll; that each such envelope had contained therein the appropriate notice of the aforesaid hearing, was securely sealed, with postage fully prepaid thereon for first-class delivery, and was properly addressed; that I personally placed all of said envelopes in a United States Post Office receptacle in Okemos, Michigan, on said date; that said notice referred to a hearing scheduled for **May 9, 2019**, before the Board of the Charter Township of Meridian.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto affixed my official signature this _____ day of _____, 2019.

Brett Dreyfus, Township Clerk
Charter Township of Meridian

Notary Public, Ingham County
My Commission Expires: _____
Acting in Ingham County, Michigan



To: Township Board

From: Mark Kieselbach, Director of Community Planning and Development
Peter Menser, Principal Planner

Date: April 16, 2019

Re: Zoning Amendment #19030 (Township Board) Medical Marihuana

The Township Board initiated the zoning amendment to establish the Commercial Medical Marihuana Facilities Overlay District at its meeting on December 11, 2018. The proposed amendment as initiated by the Board establishes six designated areas in the Township where commercial medical marihuana facilities can be located. It also identifies the zoning districts in which each of the five types of commercial medical marihuana facilities can locate. Any commercial medical marihuana facility would be subject to approval of a special use permit by the Planning Commission, as well as a State license and Township permit.

The Planning Commission held a public hearing on the proposed zoning amendment on February 11, 2019 and at its meeting on April 8, 2019 voted to recommend approval of a revised draft ordinance. The Planning Commission cited the following reasons for its decision to recommend approval:

- The four designated overlay areas identified for commercial medical marihuana facilities will minimize incompatibilities with existing surrounding land uses.
- The proposed zoning amendment is consistent with the goal established in the 2019 Community Planning and Development department plan to complete ordinances for Commercial Medical Marihuana Facilities.
- The proposed zoning amendment is consistent with Goal 3 of the 2017 Master Plan to enhance the viability of Township businesses.

After discussing the proposed zoning amendment as originally initiated by the Township Board, the Planning Commission approved a revised version of the draft ordinance, which included the following changes:

- Elimination of Overlay Area #2 (Haslett Road/Okemos Road).
- Elimination of Overlay Area #6 (Jolly Road/Okemos Road).
- Requirement that the special use permit will go on to the Township Board for a final decision after a recommendation from the Planning Commission.

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- Revision to the arrangement of zoning districts/license types as depicted below:

<i>Facility type</i>	<i>Zoning District(s) allowed</i>
Grower	I (Industrial)
Processor	I (Industrial)
Provisioning Center	C-1, C-2, C-3 (Commercial)
Safety Compliance Facility	I (Industrial) and RP (Research and Office Park)
Secure Transporter	I (Industrial) and RP (Research and Office Park)

Staff memorandums outlining the zoning amendment and minutes from the Planning Commission meetings at which the amendment was discussed are attached for the Board's review. The draft ordinance language as it was recommended for approval by the Planning Commission at its April 8, 2019 meeting is also attached.

Township Board Options

The Township Board may approve, deny, or amend the proposed zoning ordinance amendment. If the Board amends the proposed ordinance language it may refer the amendment back to the Planning Commission for a recommendation. A resolution will be provided for consideration at a future meeting.

Attachments

1. Draft ordinance language as recommended by the Planning Commission dated April 4, 2019.
2. Draft ordinance language as initiated by the Township Board dated December 6, 2018.
3. Staff memorandums dated February 5, 2019, February 22, 2019, March 8, 2019, March 22, 2019, and April 4, 2019 with attachments.
4. Planning Commission minutes dated February 11, 2019 (public hearing), February 25, 2019 (discussion), March 11, 2019 (discussion), March 25, 2019 (discussion), and April 8, 2019 (decision).
5. Resolution recommending approval dated April 8, 2019.
6. Communications.

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**DRAFT ORDINANCE
COMMERCIAL MEDICAL MARIHUANA FACILITIES OVERLAY DISTRICT
CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MERIDIAN**

**Chapter 86: Zoning
Article I: In General
Section 86-2: Definitions**

1. “Commercial Medical Marihuana Facility” or “Facility” means one of the following:
 - a. “Provisioning Center,” as that term is defined in the Medical Marihuana Facilities Licensing Act, Public Act 281 of 2016 (“MMFLA”);
 - b. “Processor,” as that term is defined in the MMFLA;
 - c. “Secure Transporter,” as that term in the MMFLA;
 - d. “Grower,” including Class A, Class B and Class C, as those terms are defined in the MMFLA;
 - e. “Safety Compliance Facility,” as that term is defined in the MMFLA.
2. “Marihuana” means that term as defined in Section 7106 of the Michigan Public Health Code, 1978 PA 368, MCL 333.7106.
3. “Medical Marihuana” means that term as defined in MCL 333.26423.
4. “Patient” means a “registered qualifying patient” or a “visiting qualifying patient” as those terms are defined by MCL 333.26421, et seq.
5. “Permit” means a current and valid permit for a Commercial Medical Marihuana Facility issued under the Charter Township of Meridian Ordinance Authorizing and Permitting Commercial Medical Marihuana Facilities, Charter Township of Meridian Ordinance No. ____, which shall be granted to a Permit Holder only for and limited to a specific Permitted Premises and a specific Permitted Property. Said Permit shall be in addition to the Special Use Permit required to be obtained under this Zoning Ordinance.
6. “Person” means a natural person, company, partnership, profit or non-profit corporation, limited liability company, or any joint venture for a common purpose.

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Chapter 86: Zoning

Article IV: District Regulations

Division 4: Other Districts

Section 86-445 Commercial Medical Marihuana Facilities Overlay District

(a) Applicability. The Commercial Medical Marihuana Facilities overlay district shall apply to all lots within the areas shown on Map (s) ____ (the "Overlay Areas"). All lots included in the overlay district shall be subject to the terms and conditions imposed in this section, in addition to the terms and conditions imposed by the zoning district where such lots may be located, any other applicable ordinance and the requirements of Section (Ordinance Authorizing and Permitting Commercial Medical Marihuana Facilities).

(b) Uses permitted by right. All uses permitted by right in the underlying zoning districts.

(c) Uses permitted by special use permit. All uses permitted by special use permit in the underlying zoning district and all types of Commercial Medical Marihuana Facilities subject to the number of available Permits allowed per Section (Ordinance Authorizing and Permitting Commercial Medical Marihuana Facilities).

(d) Uses not permitted. Any use not permitted in the underlying zoning district is not permitted in the Commercial Medical Marihuana Facilities overlay district.

(e) Permitted locations.

1. Grower Class A, Class B, or Class C in the I (Industrial) district.
2. Processor in the I (Industrial) district.
3. Provisioning Center in the C-1, C-2, or C-3 (Commercial) districts.
4. Safety Compliance Facility in the I (Industrial) district and RP (Research and Office Park) districts.
5. Secure Transporter in the I (Industrial) district and RP (Research and Office Park) districts.

(f) Application and departmental reviews

1. Application. The application for a special use permit shall be submitted to the Director of Community Planning and Development in accordance with Section 86-124.

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2. Departmental reviews. The applicant's plan shall be reviewed by the Township Department of Community Planning and Development, the Township EMS/Fire Department, the Township Police Department, the Township Public Works/Engineering Department, the county drain commissioner, and the county road department or the state department of transportation, whichever road agency has jurisdiction over roads in the immediate vicinity, in order to ensure that public utilities, road, and other infrastructure systems are or will be adequate to support the proposed development.

(g) Review process. Upon determination that the application is complete, the Director of Community Planning and Development shall initiate a review process in accordance with Section 86-125 of this chapter, subject to all hearings and other provisions set forth therein, as applicable, except the final decision on the special use permit shall be made by the Township Board.

1. Planning Commission action. The Planning commission after holding a public hearing shall make a recommendation to the Township Board. In making a recommendation the Planning Commission shall follow the review criteria in Section 86-126 and may recommend conditions in accordance with Section 86-127.
2. Township Board action. Following review of the Planning Commission's recommendation and record, the Township Board may deny, approve, or approve with conditions an application for a special use permit. Prior to making a decision on a special use permit, the Township Board may hold a public hearing on the request. Notice of the public hearing shall be given in the same manner as outlined in § 86-65 of the Code of Ordinances.

(h) Amendments. Any amendments to an approved special use permit shall be in accordance with Section 86-129.

**DRAFT ORDINANCE
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6. “Person” means a natural person, company, partnership, profit or non-profit corporation, limited liability company, or any joint venture for a common purpose.

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Chapter 86: Zoning

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Division 4: Other Districts

Section 86-445 Commercial Medical Marihuana Facilities Overlay District

(a) Applicability. The Commercial Medical Marihuana Facilities overlay district shall apply to all lots within the areas shown on Map (s) ____ (the "Overlay Areas"). All lots included in the overlay district shall be subject to the terms and conditions imposed in this section, in addition to the terms and conditions imposed by the zoning district where such lots may be located, any other applicable ordinance and the requirements of Section (Ordinance Authorizing and Permitting Commercial Medical Marihuana Facilities).

(b) Uses permitted by right. All uses permitted by right in the underlying zoning districts.

(c) Uses permitted by special use permit. All uses permitted by special use permit in the underlying zoning district and all types of Commercial Medical Marihuana Facilities subject to the number of available Permits allowed per Section (Ordinance Authorizing and Permitting Commercial Medical Marihuana Facilities).

(d) Uses not permitted. Any use not permitted in the underlying zoning district is not permitted in the Commercial Medical Marihuana Facilities overlay district.

(e) Permitted locations.

1. Grower Class A, Class B, or Class C in the I (Industrial) district.
2. Processor in the I (Industrial) district; C-1, C-2, or C-3 (Commercial) districts; and RP (Research and Office Park) district.
3. Provisioning Center in the I (Industrial) district; C-1, C-2, or C-3 (Commercial) districts; and RP (Research and Office Park) district.
4. Safety Compliance Facility in the I (Industrial) district; C-1, C-2, or C-3 (Commercial) districts; and RP (Research and Office Park) district.
5. Secure Transporter in the I (Industrial) district; C-1, C-2, or C-3 (Commercial) districts; and RP (Research and Office Park) district.

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(g) Review process. Upon determination that the application is complete, the Director of Community Planning and Development shall initiate a review process in accordance with Section 86-125 of this chapter, subject to all hearings and other provisions set forth therein, as applicable.

(h) Amendments. Any amendments to an approved special use permit shall be in accordance with Section 86-129.



To: Planning Commission

From: Peter Menser, Principal Planner

Date: February 5, 2019

Re: Zoning Amendment #19030 (Township Board), amend Section 86-2 and add Section 86-445 of the Code of Ordinances to establish the Commercial Medical Marihuana Facilities Overlay District.

At its meeting on December 11, 2018 the Township Board initiated a zoning amendment to create the Commercial Medical Marihuana Facilities Overlay District. The proposed amendment establishes six designated areas in the Township where commercial medical marihuana facilities can be located. The proposed amendment also identifies the zoning districts in which each of the five types of commercial medical marihuana facilities can locate. Any commercial medical marihuana facility would be subject to approval of a special use permit by the Planning Commission, as well as a State license and Township permit.

A separate non-zoning ordinance was approved for introduction at the February 5, 2019 Township Board meeting and is scheduled for final adoption at the Board's next meeting on February 19, 2019. The non-zoning ordinance outlines the requirement of a State license and Township permit for operation of a commercial medical marihuana facility and establishes operational standards and related requirements. The State license and Township permit are required in addition to the special use permit from the Planning Commission. The non-zoning ordinance also establishes the number of permits that are allowed for each of the five types of commercial medical marihuana licenses. The State of Michigan, through the Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs (LARA) and in accordance with the provisions of the Medical Marihuana Facilities Licensing Act (MMFLA, Public Act 281 of 2016), issues five types of commercial medical marihuana licenses, which are described below.

1. *Growers*: Under the MMFLA, a grower license authorizes its holder to grow marihuana and sell seeds and plants to another grower, or to sell plants to a processor or provisioning center. There are three classes of licenses granted to growers, based on the quantity of marihuana plants they are permitted to grow:

- Class A – 500 marihuana plants
- Class B – 1,000 marihuana plants
- Class C – 1,500 marihuana plants

To be eligible for a grower license, the applicant and each investor may not have a financial stake in a secure transporter or safety compliance facility. Importantly, the MMFLA allows growers to operate only in agricultural or industrial zones. This limitation is reflected in the zoning amendment initiated by the Board. The MMFLA does not place location restrictions on any of the other categories of licenses.

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2. *Processors*: A processor license authorizes its holder to purchase marihuana from growers, and to sell marihuana and marihuana-infused products to provisioning centers. As with growers, an applicant is eligible for a processor license only if the applicant and each investor does not have a financial stake in a secure transporter or safety compliance facility.

3. *Secure Transporters*: A secure transporter license authorizes its holder to store and transport marihuana and money associated with the purchase or sale of marihuana. All movement of marihuana or seeds between other licensees must be done by a secure transporter. To be eligible for a secure transporter license, the applicant may not have a financial interest in any of the other four kinds of licensed operations. The MMFLA treats transportation of marihuana similarly to what is common practice for operators of money-transporting armored trucks, as each vehicle must have a two-person crew with at least one person remaining with the vehicle at all times when marihuana is being transported. Secure transporters are not authorized to transport marihuana or money to or from a registered qualifying patient or registered primary caregiver, so they cannot provide marihuana delivery services to individuals.

4. *Provisioning Centers*: A provisioning center license authorizes the holder to purchase or transfer marihuana only from growers and processors and to sell or transfer marihuana only to registered qualifying patients or registered primary caregivers. Before a provisioning center may sell marihuana, it must transport the marihuana to a safety compliance facility for testing and labeling. Consumption or use of marihuana or marihuana products at a provisioning center is prohibited. Provisioning centers are also prohibited from selling or allowing the consumption or use of alcohol or tobacco products on their premises, and from allowing a physician to conduct examinations and issue medical certifications for the purpose of obtaining a registry identification card. As with both growers and processors, an applicant is eligible for a provisioning center license only if the applicant and each investor do not have a financial stake in a secure transporter or safety compliance facility.

5. *Safety Compliance Facilities*: A safety compliance facility license authorizes the holder to receive and test marihuana from a marihuana facility. The purpose of a safety compliance facility is to perform tests to (1) ensure that marihuana is free from chemicals such as fungicides and insecticides (2) ensure that marihuana does not contain dangerous levels of fungi and microbes, and (3) determine levels of certain psychoactive and non-psychoactive compounds.

The proposed zoning amendment allows Growers, regardless of class, to locate only in the Industrial zoning district by special use permit. Processors, Provisioning Centers, Safety Compliance Facilities, and Secure Transporters would be allowed to locate in the I (Industrial), C-1, C-2, C-3 (Commercial), and RP (Research and Office Park) zoning districts, also by special use permit. All commercial medical marihuana facilities would be limited to locating only in the six overlay areas depicted on the attached map.

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The following table compiles information from both the zoning and non-zoning ordinance to provide an overview of the regulations for each type of commercial medical marihuana facility:

Facility type	No. of permits	Location allowed
Grower	3	I (Industrial) Zoning District
Processor	3	I (Industrial), C-1, C-2, C-3 (Commercial), and RP (Research and Office Park)
Provisioning Center	6	I (Industrial), C-1, C-2, C-3 (Commercial), and RP (Research and Office Park)
Safety Compliance Facility	6	I (Industrial), C-1, C-2, C-3 (Commercial), and RP (Research and Office Park)
Secure Transporter	3	I (Industrial), C-1, C-2, C-3 (Commercial), and RP (Research and Office Park)

At its meeting on February 5, 2019 the Township Board discussed also limiting Secure Transporters and Processors to only locating in the I (Industrial) zoning district. The Board is also considering allowing Growers, Secure Transporters, and Processors to locate only in overlay areas 1, 3, and 5. The ordinance language that was referred to the Planning Commission does not include either provision but the Board may add those items when reviewing the proposed zoning amendment.

When discussing the proposed zoning amendment the Planning Commission may consider the following:

Overlay district areas. The six overlay districts established by the Township Board were selected based on their relative distance from the 500 foot setbacks from religious institutions, library, preschool, or child care center and the 1,000 foot setback from schools instituted in the non-zoning ordinance. The Planning Commission may concur with the six recommended overlay areas identified by the Township Board, choose to recommend amendments to the boundaries, or identify new areas.

Review process. The proposed zoning amendment allows commercial medical marihuana facilities subject to approval of a special use permit from the Planning Commission. The special use permit process would only begin once conditional approval of Township permit (complete application) is granted by the Director of Community Planning and Development. The Planning Commission may consider whether or not the special use permit process is appropriate for commercial medical marihuana facilities or if they should instead be allowed by right or by conditional use permit.

Permitted locations. The Planning Commission may concur with the Township Board with regards to the proposed permitted locations for the five types of commercial medical marihuana licenses or recommend revisions as desired.

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Planning Commission Options

The Planning Commission may recommend approval as written, recommend approval of a revised version, or recommend denial of the proposed zoning amendment. A resolution will be provided at a future meeting.

Attachments

1. Draft zoning ordinance dated December 6, 2018.
2. Non-zoning ordinance dated February 5, 2019.
3. Overlay district map dated January 24, 2019.

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**DRAFT ORDINANCE
COMMERCIAL MEDICAL MARIHUANA FACILITIES OVERLAY DISTRICT
CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MERIDIAN**

**Chapter 86: Zoning
Article I: In General
Section 86-2: Definitions**

1. “Commercial Medical Marihuana Facility” or “Facility” means one of the following:
 - a. “Provisioning Center,” as that term is defined in the Medical Marihuana Facilities Licensing Act, Public Act 281 of 2016 (“MMFLA”);
 - b. “Processor,” as that term is defined in the MMFLA;
 - c. “Secure Transporter,” as that term in the MMFLA;
 - d. “Grower,” including Class A, Class B and Class C, as those terms are defined in the MMFLA;
 - e. “Safety Compliance Facility,” as that term is defined in the MMFLA.
2. “Marihuana” means that term as defined in Section 7106 of the Michigan Public Health Code, 1978 PA 368, MCL 333.7106.
3. “Medical Marihuana” means that term as defined in MCL 333.26423.
4. “Patient” means a “registered qualifying patient” or a “visiting qualifying patient” as those terms are defined by MCL 333.26421, et seq.
5. “Permit” means a current and valid permit for a Commercial Medical Marihuana Facility issued under the Charter Township of Meridian Ordinance Authorizing and Permitting Commercial Medical Marihuana Facilities, Charter Township of Meridian Ordinance No. ____, which shall be granted to a Permit Holder only for and limited to a specific Permitted Premises and a specific Permitted Property. Said Permit shall be in addition to the Special Use Permit required to be obtained under this Zoning Ordinance.
6. “Person” means a natural person, company, partnership, profit or non-profit corporation, limited liability company, or any joint venture for a common purpose.

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Article IV: District Regulations

Division 4: Other Districts

Section 86-445 Commercial Medical Marihuana Facilities Overlay District

(a) Applicability. The Commercial Medical Marihuana Facilities overlay district shall apply to all lots within the areas shown on Map (s) ____ (the "Overlay Areas"). All lots included in the overlay district shall be subject to the terms and conditions imposed in this section, in addition to the terms and conditions imposed by the zoning district where such lots may be located, any other applicable ordinance and the requirements of Section (Ordinance Authorizing and Permitting Commercial Medical Marihuana Facilities).

(b) Uses permitted by right. All uses permitted by right in the underlying zoning districts.

(c) Uses permitted by special use permit. All uses permitted by special use permit in the underlying zoning district and all types of Commercial Medical Marihuana Facilities subject to the number of available Permits allowed per Section (Ordinance Authorizing and Permitting Commercial Medical Marihuana Facilities).

(d) Uses not permitted. Any use not permitted in the underlying zoning district is not permitted in the Commercial Medical Marihuana Facilities overlay district.

(e) Permitted locations.

1. Grower Class A, Class B, or Class C in the I (Industrial) district.
2. Processor in the I (Industrial) district; C-1, C-2, or C-3 (Commercial) districts; and RP (Research and Office Park) district.
3. Provisioning Center in the I (Industrial) district; C-1, C-2, or C-3 (Commercial) districts; and RP (Research and Office Park) district.
4. Safety Compliance Facility in the I (Industrial) district; C-1, C-2, or C-3 (Commercial) districts; and RP (Research and Office Park) district.
5. Secure Transporter in the I (Industrial) district; C-1, C-2, or C-3 (Commercial) districts; and RP (Research and Office Park) district.

(f) Application and departmental reviews

1. Application. The application for a special use permit shall be submitted to the Director of Community Planning and Development in accordance with Section 86-124.

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2. Departmental reviews. The applicant's plan shall be reviewed by the Township Department of Community Planning and Development, the Township EMS/Fire Department, the Township Police Department, the Township Public Works/Engineering Department, the county drain commissioner, and the county road department or the state department of transportation, whichever road agency has jurisdiction over roads in the immediate vicinity, in order to ensure that public utilities, road, and other infrastructure systems are or will be adequate to support the proposed development.

(g) Review process. Upon determination that the application is complete, the Director of Community Planning and Development shall initiate a review process in accordance with Section 86-125 of this chapter, subject to all hearings and other provisions set forth therein, as applicable.

(h) Amendments. Any amendments to an approved special use permit shall be in accordance with Section 86-129.

ORDINANCE NO. _____

**ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MERIDIAN,
INGHAM COUNTY, MICHIGAN BY ADDING CHAPTER 40 COMMERCIAL MEDICAL
MARIHUANA FACILITIES**

THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MERIDIAN ORDAINS:

Section 1. Amendment to the Code of Ordinances by adding Chapter 40. The code of the Charter Township of Meridian, Ingham County, Michigan, is hereby amended to add Chapter 40 entitled Commercial Medical Marihuana Facilities to read as follows:

**Chapter 40
COMMERCIAL MEDICAL MARIHUANA FACILITIES**

**ARTICLE I
In General**

Section 40-1. through 40-25. (Reserved)

**ARTICLE II
Commercial Medical Marihuana Facilities**

Section 40-26. Title.

This Chapter shall be known and cited as the "Commercial Medical Marihuana Facilities Ordinance of the Charter Township of Meridian."

Section 40-27. Definitions.

The following words, terms, and phrases, when used in this article, shall have the meanings ascribed to them in this section, except where context clearly indicates a different meaning:

APPLICATION means an Application for a Permit under this Chapter and includes all supplemental documentation attached or required to be attached thereto; the Person filing the Application shall be known as the Applicant.

DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT means the Charter Township of Meridian Director of Community Planning and Development or his/her designee.

COMMERCIAL MEDICAL MARIHUANA FACILITY or FACILITY means one of the following:

- (1) Provisioning Center, as that term is defined in the Medical Marihuana Facilities Licensing Act, Public Act 281 of 2016 (MMFLA);
- (2) Processor, as that term is defined in the MMFLA;
- (3) Secure Transporter, as that term is defined in the MMFLA;

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(4) Grower, including Class A, Class B and Class C, as those terms are defined in the MMFLA;

(5) Safety Compliance Facility, as that term is defined in the MMFLA.

DEPARTMENT means the Michigan State Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs or any authorized designated Michigan agency authorized to regulate, issue or administer a Michigan License for a Commercial Medical Marihuana Facility.

LICENSE means a current and valid License for a Commercial Medical Marihuana Facility issued by the Department.

LICENSEE means a Person holding a current and valid Michigan License for a Commercial Medical Marihuana Facility.

MARIHUANA means that term as defined in Section 7106 of the Michigan Public Health Code, 1978 PA 368, MCL 333.7106.

MEDICAL MARIHUANA means that term as defined in MCL 333.26423.

PARAPHERNALIA means drug paraphernalia as defined in section 7451 of the Michigan Public Health Code, 1978 PA 368, MCL 333.7451, that is or may be used in association with Medical Marihuana.

PATIENT means a “registered qualifying patient” or a “visiting qualifying patient” as those terms are defined by MCL 333.26421, et seq.

PERMIT means a current and valid Permit for a Commercial Medical Marihuana Facility issued under this Chapter, which shall be granted to a Permit Holder only for and limited to a specific Permitted Premises and a specific Permitted Property. Said Permit shall be in addition to the special use permit required to be obtained under the Township Zoning Ordinance.

PERMIT HOLDER means the Person that holds a current and valid Permit issued under this Chapter.

PERMITTED PREMISES means the particular building or buildings within which the Permit Holder will be authorized to conduct the Facility’s activities pursuant to the Permit.

PERMITTED PROPERTY means the real property comprised of a lot, parcel or other designated unit of real property upon which the Permitted Premises is situated.

PERSON means a natural person, company, partnership, profit or non-profit corporation, limited liability company, or any joint venture for a common purpose.

PUBLIC PLACE means any area in which the public is invited or generally permitted in the usual course of business.

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REGISTRY IDENTIFICATION CARD means the document issued to a Patient or a Primary Caregiver and defined under MCL 333.26423(i).

Section 40-28. Permit Required; Number of Permits Available; Eligibility; General Provisions.

1. The Township hereby authorizes the operation of the following types of Commercial Medical Marihuana Facilities, subject to the number of available Permits issued in this Section:
 - a. Growers, Class A
 - b. Growers, Class B
 - c. Growers, Class C
 - d. Processors
 - e. Provisioning Centers
 - f. Safety Compliance Facilities
 - g. Secure Transporters
2. The number of Commercial Medical Marihuana Facility Permits in effect at any time shall not exceed the following maximums within the Township:
 - a. Grower Permits, Class A, Class B, and Class C: **3**, regardless of type
 - b. Processor Permits: **3**
 - c. Provisioning Center Permits: 6
 - d. Safety Compliance Facility Permits: 6
 - e. Secure Transporter Permits: **3**
 - f. No more than one Provisioning Center shall be located in any single Overlay Area except that if any Overlay Area has zero Provisioning Centers granted or under renewal and zero conditionally approved at the time set for the lottery, then a second Provisioning Center may be added to another Overlay Area. No Overlay Area shall have more than two Provisioning Centers.
3. No Person shall operate a Commercial Medical Marihuana Facility at any time or any location within the Township unless a currently-effective Permit for that Person at that location has been issued under this Chapter.
4. Commercial Medical Marihuana Facilities shall operate only as allowed under this Chapter.
5. The requirements set forth in this Chapter shall be in addition to, and not in lieu of, any other licensing or permitting requirements imposed by applicable federal, state or local laws, regulations, codes or ordinances.

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6. An Applicant shall pay Application fees, annual fees, renewal fees and inspection fees for Permits to the Township to defray the costs incurred by the Township for inspection, administration and enforcement of the local regulations regarding Commercial Medical Marihuana Facilities. The Township Board shall by resolution set the fees in an amount not to exceed any limitations imposed by Michigan law.
7. A Permit and a Renewal Permit shall not confer any vested rights or reasonable expectation of subsequent renewal on the Applicant or Permit Holder, and shall remain valid for one year immediately following its approval.
8. Each year, any pending Applications for renewal or amendment of valid, unexpired Permits shall be reviewed and granted or denied before Applications for new Permits are considered.
9. It is the sole and exclusive responsibility of each Permit Holder or Person applying to be a Permit Holder at all times during the Application period and during its operation to immediately provide the Township with all material changes in any information submitted on an Application and any other changes that may materially affect any License or its Permit.
10. No Permit issued under this Chapter may be assigned or transferred to any Person unless the assignee or transferee has submitted an Application and all required fees under this Chapter and has been granted a Permit by the Director of Community Planning and Development. No Permit issued under this Chapter is transferrable to any other location except for the Permitted Premises on the Permitted Property.
11. The original Permit issued under this Chapter shall be prominently displayed at the Permitted Premises in a location where it can be easily viewed by the public, law enforcement and administrative authorities.
12. Acceptance by the Permit Holder of a Permit constitutes consent by the Permit Holder and its owners, officers, managers, agents and employees for any state, federal or local law enforcement to conduct random and unannounced examinations of the Facility and all articles of property in that Facility at any time to ensure compliance with this Chapter, any other local regulations, and with the Permit.
13. A Permit Holder may not engage in any other Commercial Medical Marihuana Facility in the Permitted Premises or on the Permitted Property, or in its name at any other location within the Township, without first obtaining a separate Permit.

Section 40-29. Other Laws and Ordinances.

In addition to the terms of this Chapter, any Commercial Medical Marihuana Facility shall comply with all Township Ordinances, including without limitation the Township Zoning Ordinance, and with all other applicable federal, state and local ordinances, laws, codes and regulations. To the extent that the terms of this Chapter are in conflict with the terms of any other applicable federal, state or local ordinances, laws, codes or regulations, the terms of the most restrictive ordinance, law, code or regulation shall control.

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Section 40-30. Application for and Renewal of Permits.

1. Application. An Application for a Permit for a Facility shall be submitted to the Director of Community Planning and Development per permitted premise, and shall contain the following information:
 - a. The name, address, phone number and e-mail address of the proposed Permit Holder and the proposed Commercial Medical Marihuana Facility.
 - b. The names, home addresses and personal phone numbers for all owners, directors, officers and managers of the Permit Holder and the Commercial Medical Marihuana Facility.
 - c. One (1) copy of all the following:
 - 1) To encourage both local industry and also well-qualified applicants, at least two of the following items:
 - i) An official statement issued by the Department indicating that the Applicant has successfully completed prequalification for a License, if any. Copies of Entity/Individual Prequalification Packets and Supplemental Applicant Prequalification Packets or investigations conducted by the Department (if available) shall be provided.
 - ii) Documentation sufficient to prove that an owner **or combination of owners** of the Permit Holder with 75% ownership interest or greater has maintained residency within the Township for at least twelve months prior to the submission of the Application, if any, satisfactory to the Township. Sufficient documentation includes, but is not limited to, lease documents, deeds, utility bills (such as water, electric, or gas bills), and being a registered elector in the Township. Majority shareholders, managing members, or managing partners must submit the same information.
 - iii) Applicant's Certification on a form provided by the Township restricting transfer of the Permit and subsequent renewed Permits, and restricting the transfer of any interest in the Permit Holder for a period of not less than 30 months after issuance of the Permit **and License**. This commitment shall be enforceable severally or jointly by the Township against the Applicant, Permit Holder, and any members or shareholders thereof.

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- 2) All documentation showing the proposed Permit Holder's valid tenancy, ownership or other legal interest in the proposed Permitted Property and Permitted Premises. If the Applicant is not the owner of the proposed Permitted Property and Permitted Premises, a notarized statement from the owner of such property authorizing the use of the property for a Commercial Medical Marihuana Facility. All documentation establishing that the Permitted Premises and Permitted Property are within an overlay area with available permits.
- 3) If the proposed Permit Holder is a corporation, non-profit organization, limited liability company or any other entity other than a natural person, it must indicate its legal status, attach a copy of all company formation documents (including amendments), proof of registration with the State of Michigan, and a certificate of good standing with the State of Michigan.
- 4) A valid, unexpired driver's license or state issued ID for all owners, directors, officers and managers of the proposed Facility.
- 5) Evidence of a valid sales tax license for the business if such a license is required by state law or local regulations.
- 6) Application for Sign Permit, if any sign is proposed.
- 7) Non-refundable Application fee.
- 8) Business and Operations Plan, showing in detail the Commercial Medical Marihuana Facility's proposed plan of operation, including without limitation, the following:
 - i. A description of the type of Facility proposed and the anticipated or actual number of employees.
 - ii. A security plan meeting the requirements of Section 40-31(3) of this Chapter, which shall include a general description of the security systems(s), current centrally alarmed and monitored security system service agreement for the proposed Permitted Premises, and confirmation that those systems will meet State requirements and be approved by the State prior to commencing operations.
 - iii. A description by category of all products to be sold.
 - iv. A list of Material Safety Data Sheets for all nutrients, pesticides, and other chemicals proposed for use in the Commercial Medical Marihuana Facility.

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- v. A description and plan of all equipment and methods that will be employed to stop any impact to adjacent uses, including enforceable assurances that no odor will be detectable from outside of the Permitted Premises.
 - vi. A plan for the disposal of Marihuana and related byproducts that will be used at the Facility.
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- 9) An identification of any business that is directly or indirectly involved in the growing, processing, testing, transporting or sale of Marihuana for the Facility.
 - 10) Whether any Applicant has ever applied for or has been granted any commercial license or certificate issued by a licensing authority in Michigan or any other jurisdiction that has been denied, restricted, suspended, revoked, or not renewed and a statement describing the facts and circumstances concerning the application, denial, restriction, suspension, revocation, or nonrenewal, including the licensing authority, the date each action was taken, and the reason for each action.
 - 11) Signed and sealed (by Michigan registered architect, surveyor or professional engineer) site plan and interior floor plan of the Permitted Premises and the Permitted Property.
 - 12) Information regarding any other Commercial Medical Marihuana Facility that the Licensee is authorized to operate in any other jurisdiction within the State, or another State, and the Applicant's involvement in each Facility.
 - 13) Applicant and all related Persons consent to a background check conducted by the Township or any agency used by the Township to complete such checks.
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- d. Any other information reasonably requested by the Township to be relevant to the processing or consideration of the Application.
 - e. If the Director of Community Planning and Development identifies or is informed of a deficiency in an Application, the Applicant shall have five (5) business days to correct the deficiency after notification by the Director of Community Planning and Development.
 - f. Information obtained from the Applicant or proposed Permit Holder is exempt from public disclosure under state law.

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2. Receipt of Applications.
 - a. The Director of Community Planning and Development shall accept Applications for new permits during normal business hours on the second Tuesday in January at the Township Hall. Notice of the day, time, and place shall be given by publication once in a newspaper of general circulation within the Township, which shall be at least 10 days before the date set to accept the Applications. The notice shall also be posted on the Township's website, if any.
 - b. Notwithstanding Section 40-30(2)(a), the Director of Community Planning and Development may accept Applications for new permits on dates, times, and places as he deems appropriate. Before accepting any Applications on a date other than permitted by Section 40-30(2)(a), notice of the day, time, and place shall be given by publication twice in a newspaper of general circulation within the Township, the first of which shall be at least 10 days before the date set to accept the Applications. The notice shall also be posted on the Township's website, if any.
3. Denial of Application.
 - a. The Director of Community Planning and Development shall reject any Application that does not meet the requirements of the MMFLA or this Chapter. The Director of Community Planning and Development shall reject any Application that contains any false, misleading, or incomplete information.
 - b. An Applicant whose Application is rejected or denied because of missing, incomplete, erroneous, false, or misleading information, or because of a lack of submission of the full amount of the fees due, does not have a right to an administrative appeal of the decision.
4. Issuance of Conditional Approval.
 - a. Complete Applications for a Commercial Medical Marihuana Facility Permit determined to be in full compliance with the requirements of this Chapter shall be issued conditional approval in accordance with the procedures specified in this Section.
 - b. The Director of Community Planning and Development shall issue a conditional approval if:
 - 1) The background checks are complete and satisfactory;
 - 2) The Applicant has submitted satisfactory proof in two of the three following categories:
 - i. Official statement issued by the Department, pursuant to Section 40-30(1)(c)(1)(i).

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ii. Proof of residency within the Township pursuant to Section 40-30(1)(c)((1)(ii).

iii. A certificate pursuant to Section 40-30(1)(c)(1)(iii).

3) All other information available to the Township verifies that the Applicant as a grower, processor, provisioning center, safety compliance facility, secure transporter has submitted a full and complete Application and is in compliance with the Township Code of Ordinances and any other applicable law, rule, or regulation.

- c. A conditional approval only means that the Applicant has submitted a valid Application for a Commercial Medical Marihuana Facility Permit and is eligible for the lottery.
 - d. Within (30) thirty days from the issuance of a conditional approval the Applicant shall submit proof to the Township that the Applicant has applied for prequalification for a state operating license or has submitted a full application for such license, unless such information was provided in the Application. If the Applicant fails to submit such proof, the conditional approval shall be void, the application denied, and any lottery position void.
 - e. A conditional approval and any lottery selection shall be void if an Applicant is denied prequalification for a state operating license or is denied a state operating license. Such denial shall be provided immediately to the Director of Community Planning and Development.
 - f. A conditional approval does not prevent the Director of Community Planning and Development from requesting additional documentation, as required or permitted under this Chapter.
5. Lottery; Order of Special Use Permit Applications.
- a. After all Applications have been either granted conditional approval or denied the Director of Community Planning and Development shall then sort the Applications by the type of facility permit requested.
 - b. Each conditionally approved application will be entered in a lottery by facility type to determine which Applications may submit special use permit applications. Each facility type shall be drawn by random lottery as follows:

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- 1) For Provisioning Centers, the applications shall be additionally sorted by their zoning overlay area. For each overlay area, the Director of Community Planning and Development shall randomly draw the name or number of each Provisioning Center Applicant until all conditionally approved applications are drawn in each overlay area. The Applicant of each first Provisioning Center drawn in each overlay area may then apply for a special use permit. If any bonus second provisioning center is available under Section 40-28(2)(f), then each overlay area with more than one conditionally approved provisioning center application shall itself be drawn by random lottery until all bonus second provisioning center overlay areas have been awarded. The Applicant of each second Provisioning Center drawn in each overlay area awarded a bonus may then apply for a special use permit.
 - 2) For each other facility type, the Director of Community Planning and Development shall randomly draw the name or number of the Applicants until all conditionally approved applications are drawn.
 - 3) The number of special use permit applications submitted may not exceed the number of available Permits under this Chapter. In each facility type, the number of Applicants drawn equal to the available Permits under this Chapter at the time of the lottery may apply for a special use permit. Applicants drawn after the number of available Permits will retain that lottery position as provided in this Chapter.
 - 4) The Director of Community Planning and Development shall maintain a record of the lottery results and order of drawing for each facility type until December 31 of the year in which the lottery occurred. Lottery positions do not confer any right to a Permit under this Chapter.
 - 5) All lottery drawings shall be conducted publicly by the Director of Community Planning and Development with the date and time published on the Township's website and all entrants provided notice.
- c. All special use permit applications must be submitted within 60 days of the lottery or notice under this sub-section. If the Applicant does not submit a special use permit application or a special use permit is denied and all appeals are exhausted, then the Director of Community Planning and Development may consult the lottery results and notify the next Applicant that they may apply for a special use permit.

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6. Renewal Application. The same requirements that apply to all new Applications for a Permit, except for special use permit and lottery requirements, shall apply to all Renewal Applications. Renewal Applications shall be submitted to and received by the Director of Community Planning and Development not less than ninety (90) days prior to the expiration of the annual Permit, except that an Application requesting a change in the location of the Permitted Premises shall be submitted and received not less than one hundred twenty (120) days prior to the expiration of the Permit. A Permit Holder whose Permit expires and for which a complete Renewal Application has not been received by the expiration date shall be deemed to have forfeited the Permit under this Chapter. The Township will not accept Renewal Applications after the expiration date of the Permit.
7. Issuance of Commercial Medical Marihuana Facilities Permit.
 - a. An inspection of the proposed Commercial Medical Marihuana Facility by the Township shall be required prior to issuance of the Permit. Such inspection shall occur after the premises are ready for operation, but prior to the stocking of the business with any medical marihuana, and prior to the opening of the business or commencement of operations. The inspection is to verify that the business facilities are constructed and can be operated in accordance with the Application submitted and the applicable requirements of this Chapter, the Special Use Permit, and any other applicable law, rule, or regulation.
 - b. After verification the facilities are constructed and can be operated in accordance with the Application submitted and the applicable requirements of this Chapter, the Special Use Permit, and any other applicable law, rule, or regulation, and the issuance of a permanent certificate of occupancy for the facility, the Director of Community Planning and Development shall issue the Permit for a term of one (1) year.
 - c. Maintaining a valid marihuana facility license issued by the State is a condition for the issuance and maintenance of the Permit issued under this Chapter and the continued operation of any marihuana facility.
 - d. An Applicant or Permit Holder has a duty to notify the Director of Community Planning and Development in writing of any pending criminal charge, and any criminal conviction of a felony or other offense involving a crime of moral turpitude by the Applicant, any owner, principal officer, director, manager, or employee within ten (10) days of the event.

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- e. An Applicant or Permit Holder has a duty to notify the Director of Community Planning and Development in writing of any pending criminal charge, and any criminal conviction, whether a felony, misdemeanor, petty offense, or any violation of a local law related to the cultivation, processing, manufacture, storage, sale, distribution, testing or consumption of any form of marihuana, the MMMA, the MMFLA, any building, fire, health or zoning statute, code or ordinance related to the cultivation, processing, manufacture, storage, sale, distribution, testing or consumption of any form of marihuana by the Applicant, any owner, principal officer, director, manager, or employee within (10) ten days of the event.
8. Applications for new Permits where no building is as yet in existence. Any Applicant for a Commercial Medical Marihuana Facility Permit whose building is not yet in existence at the time of the Township's initial approval shall have one year immediately following the date of the Township's initial approval to complete construction of the building, in accordance with applicable zoning ordinances, building codes, and any other applicable state or local laws, rules or regulations, and to commence business operations.
9. Duty to Supplement. If, at any time before or after a Permit is issued pursuant to this Chapter, any information required in the Application, the MMFLA, or any rule or regulation promulgated thereunder, changes in any way from that which is stated in the Application, the Applicant or Licensee shall supplement such information in writing within ten (10) days from the date upon which such change occurs.
10. Permit Forfeiture. In the event that a Commercial Medical Marihuana Facility does not commence operations within one year of issuance of a Township Permit, the Permit shall be deemed forfeited; the facility may not commence operations and the Permit is not eligible for renewal.

Section 40-31. Operational Requirements – Commercial Medical Marihuana Facilities.

A Commercial Medical Marihuana Facility issued a Permit under this Chapter and operating in the Township shall at all times comply with the following operational requirements, which the Township Board may review and amend from time to time as it determines reasonable.

1. *Scope of Operation.* Commercial Medical Marihuana Facilities shall comply with all respective applicable codes of the local zoning, building, fire, and health departments. The Facility must hold a valid unexpired Permit and State Commercial Medical Marihuana Facility License for the type of Commercial Medical Marihuana Facility intended to be carried out within the Permitted Premises on the Permitted Property. The Facility operator, owner, Permit Holder, or Licensee must have documentation available that local and State sales tax requirements, including holding any licenses, if applicable, are satisfied.

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2. *Required Documentation.* Each Commercial Medical Marihuana Facility shall be operated from the Permitted Premises on the Permitted Property. No Commercial Medical Marihuana Facility shall be permitted to operate from a moveable, mobile or transitory location, except for a Permitted and Licensed Secure Transporter when engaged in the lawful transport of Marihuana. No Person under the age of eighteen (18) shall be allowed to enter into the Permitted Premises without a parent or legal guardian.
3. *Security.* Permit Holders shall at all times maintain a security system that meets state law requirements, and shall also include the following:
 - a. Security surveillance cameras installed to monitor all entrances, along with the interior and exterior of the Permitted Premises.
 - b. Robbery and burglary alarm systems which are professionally monitored and operated 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.
 - c. A locking safe permanently affixed to the Permitted Premises that shall store all Marihuana and cash remaining in the Facility overnight.
 - d. All Marihuana in whatever form stored at the Permitted Premises shall be kept in a secure manner and shall not be visible from outside the Permitted Premises, nor shall it be grown, processed, exchanged, displayed or dispensed outside the Permitted Premises.
 - e. All security recordings and documentation shall be preserved for at least 48 hours by the Permit Holder and made available to any law enforcement upon request for inspection.
4. *Operating Hours.* No Provisioning Center shall operate between the hours of 8:00 p.m. and 8:00 a.m.
5. *Required Spacing.* No Commercial Medical Marihuana Facility shall be located within one-thousand (1,000) feet from any public or private K-12 school, five hundred (500) feet from any church, place of worship or other religious facility, and five hundred (500) feet from any library, preschool, or nearest child care center, with the minimum distance between uses measured horizontally between the nearest property lines.
6. *Amount of Marihuana.* The amount of Marihuana on the Permitted Property and under the control of the Permit Holder, owner or operator of the Facility shall not exceed that amount permitted by the state License or the Township's Permit.
7. *Sale of Marihuana.* The Marihuana offered for sale and distribution must be packaged and labeled in accordance with state law. The Facility is prohibited from selling, soliciting or receiving orders for Marihuana or Marihuana Products over the internet.

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8. *Sign Restrictions.* No pictures, photographs, drawings or other depictions of Marihuana or Marihuana Paraphernalia shall appear on the outside of any Permitted Premises nor be visible outside of the Permitted Premises on the Permitted Property. The words “Marihuana,” “cannabis” and any other words used or intended to convey the presence or availability of Marihuana shall not appear on the outside of the Permitted Premises nor be visible outside of the Permitted Premises on the Permitted Property.
9. *Use of Marihuana.* The sale, consumption or use of alcohol or tobacco products on the Permitted Premises is prohibited. Smoking or consumption of controlled substances, including Marihuana, on the Permitted Premises is prohibited.
10. *Indoor Operation.* All activities of Commercial Medical Marihuana Facilities, including without limitation, distribution, growth, cultivation, or the sale of Marihuana, and all other related activity permitted under the Permit Holder’s License or Permit must occur indoors. The Facility’s operation and design shall minimize any impact to adjacent uses, including the control of any odor by maintaining and operating an air filtration system so that no odor is detectable outside the Permitted Premises. Mobile facilities and drive-through operations are prohibited.
11. *Unpermitted Growing.* A Patient may not grow his or her own Marihuana at a Commercial Medical Marihuana Facility.
12. *Distribution.* No person operating a Facility shall provide or otherwise make available Marihuana to any person who is not legally authorized to receive Marihuana under state law.
13. *Permits.* All necessary building, electrical, plumbing, and mechanical permits must be obtained for any part of the Permitted Premises in which electrical, wiring, lighting or watering devices that support the cultivation, growing, harvesting or testing of Marihuana are located.
14. *Waste Disposal.* The permit holder, owner and operator of the Facility shall use lawful methods in controlling waste or by-products from any activities allowed under the License or Permit.
15. *Transportation.* Marihuana may be transported by a Secure Transporter within the Township under this Chapter, and to effectuate its purpose, only:
 - a. By Persons who are otherwise authorized by state law to possess Marihuana for medical purposes;
 - b. In a manner consistent with all applicable state laws and rules, as amended;
 - c. In a secure manner designed to prevent the loss of the Marihuana;

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- d. No vehicle used for the transportation or delivery of Marihuana under this Chapter shall have for markings the words "Marihuana," "cannabis" or any similar words; pictures or other renderings of the Marihuana plant; advertisements for Marihuana or for its sale, transfer, cultivation, delivery, transportation or manufacture, or any other word, phrase or symbol indicating or tending to indicate that the vehicle is transporting Marihuana.
 - e. No vehicle may be used for the ongoing or continuous storage of Marihuana, but may only be used incidental to, and in furtherance of, the transportation of Marihuana.
16. Additional Conditions. The Director of Community Planning and Development may impose such reasonable terms and conditions on a Commercial Medical Marihuana Facility special use as may be necessary to protect the public health, safety and welfare, and to obtain compliance with the requirements of this Chapter and applicable law.

Section 40-32. Penalties and Consequences for Violation.

In addition to any other penalties or legal consequences provided under applicable federal, state and local law, regulations, codes and ordinances:

1. Violations of the provisions of this Chapter or failure to comply with any of the requirements of this Chapter shall constitute a misdemeanor. Any Person who violates this Chapter or fails to comply with any of the requirements of this Chapter shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof, shall be fined not more than \$500.00, or imprisoned for not more than 90 days, or both, and, in addition, shall pay all costs and expenses involved. Each day the violation continues shall be considered a separate offense.
2. Violations of the provisions of this Chapter or failure to comply with any of the requirements of this Chapter shall be subject to and found responsible for a municipal civil infraction. The fine for any municipal civil infraction shall be one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) plus court costs, attorney fees and abatement costs of each violation, together with all other remedies pursuant to MCL 600.8701, et seq. Each day a violation continues shall be deemed a separate municipal civil infraction.
3. Increased civil fines shall be imposed for repeated violations of any requirement of this Chapter. As used in this subsection, the term "repeat offense" means a second (or any subsequent) municipal civil infraction violation of the same requirement or provision committed within any six-month period and found to be responsible. The increased fine for a repeat offense shall be as follows:
 - a. The fine for any offense which is a first repeat offense shall be two thousand five hundred dollars (\$2,500).
 - b. The fine for any offense which is a second repeat offense or any subsequent repeat offense shall be five thousand dollars (\$5,000).

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4. The owner of record or tenant of any building, structure or premises, or part thereof, and any architect, builder, contractor, agent or Person who commits, participates in, assists in or maintains such violation may each be found guilty or responsible of a separate offense and suffer the penalties and fines provided in subsections (1) and (2) of this section, except as excluded from responsibility by state law.
5. In addition to any other remedies, the Township may institute proceedings for injunction, mandamus, abatement or other appropriate remedies to prevent, enjoin, abate or remove any violations of this Chapter. The rights and remedies provided herein are both civil and criminal in nature. The imposition of any fine, jail sentence or forfeiture shall not exempt the violator from compliance with the provisions of this Chapter.

Section 2. Validity and Severability. The provisions of this Ordinance are severable and the invalidity of any phrase, clause or part of this Ordinance shall not affect the validity or effectiveness of the remainder of the Ordinance.

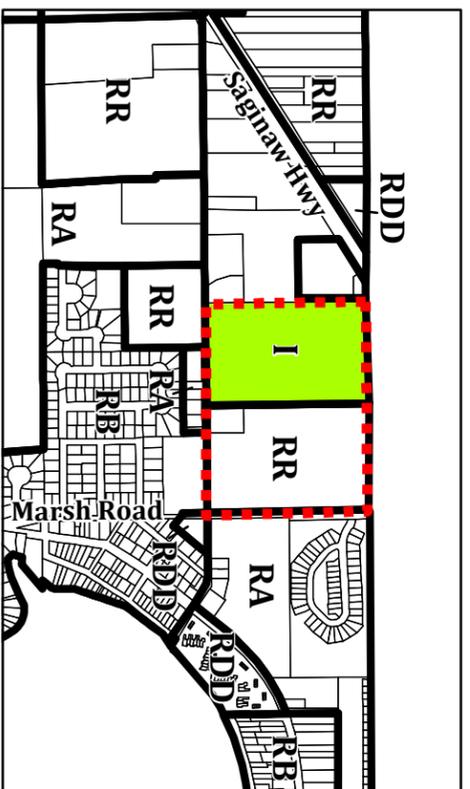
Section 3. Repealer Clause. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict therewith are hereby repealed only to the extent necessary to give this Ordinance full force and effect.

Section 4. Savings Clause. This Ordinance does not affect rights and duties matured, penalties that were incurred, and proceedings that were begun, before its effective date.

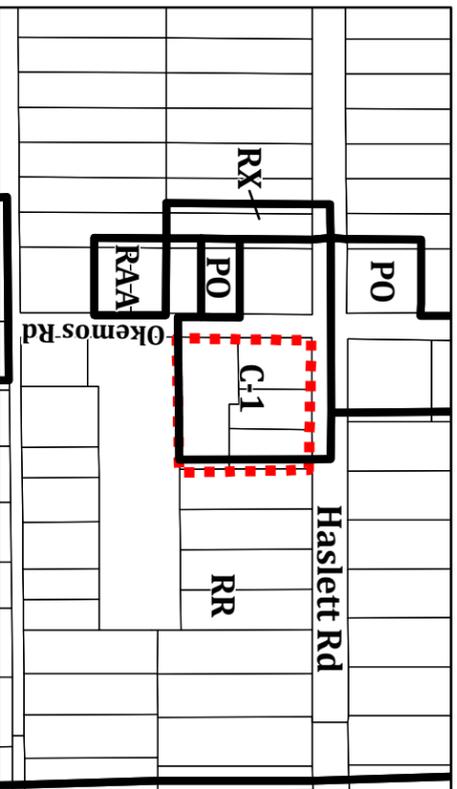
Section 5. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon its publication.

Ronald J. Styka, Township Supervisor

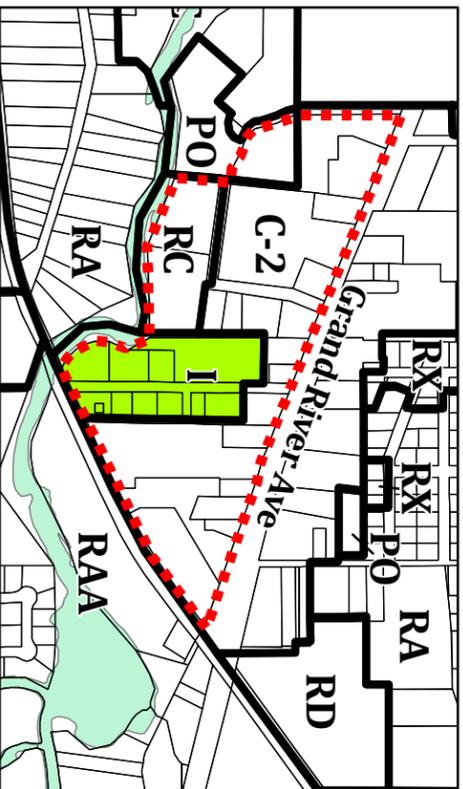
Brett Dreyfus, Township Clerk



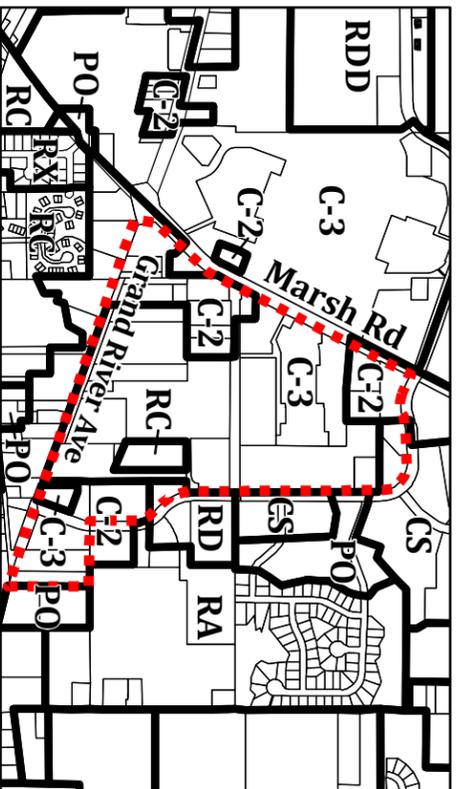
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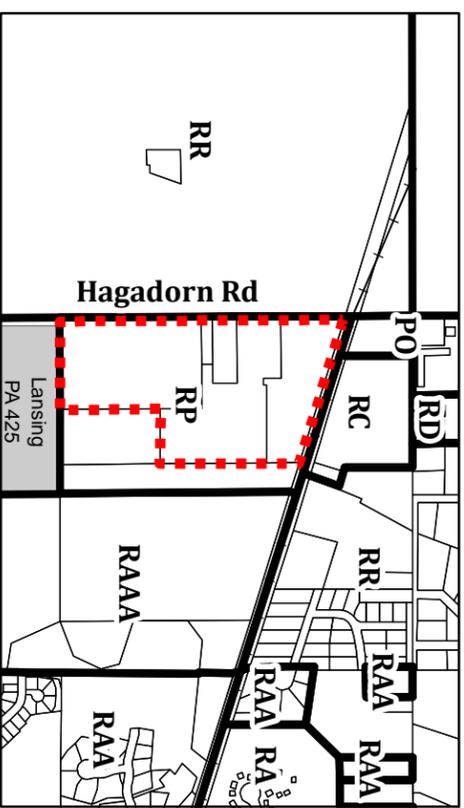
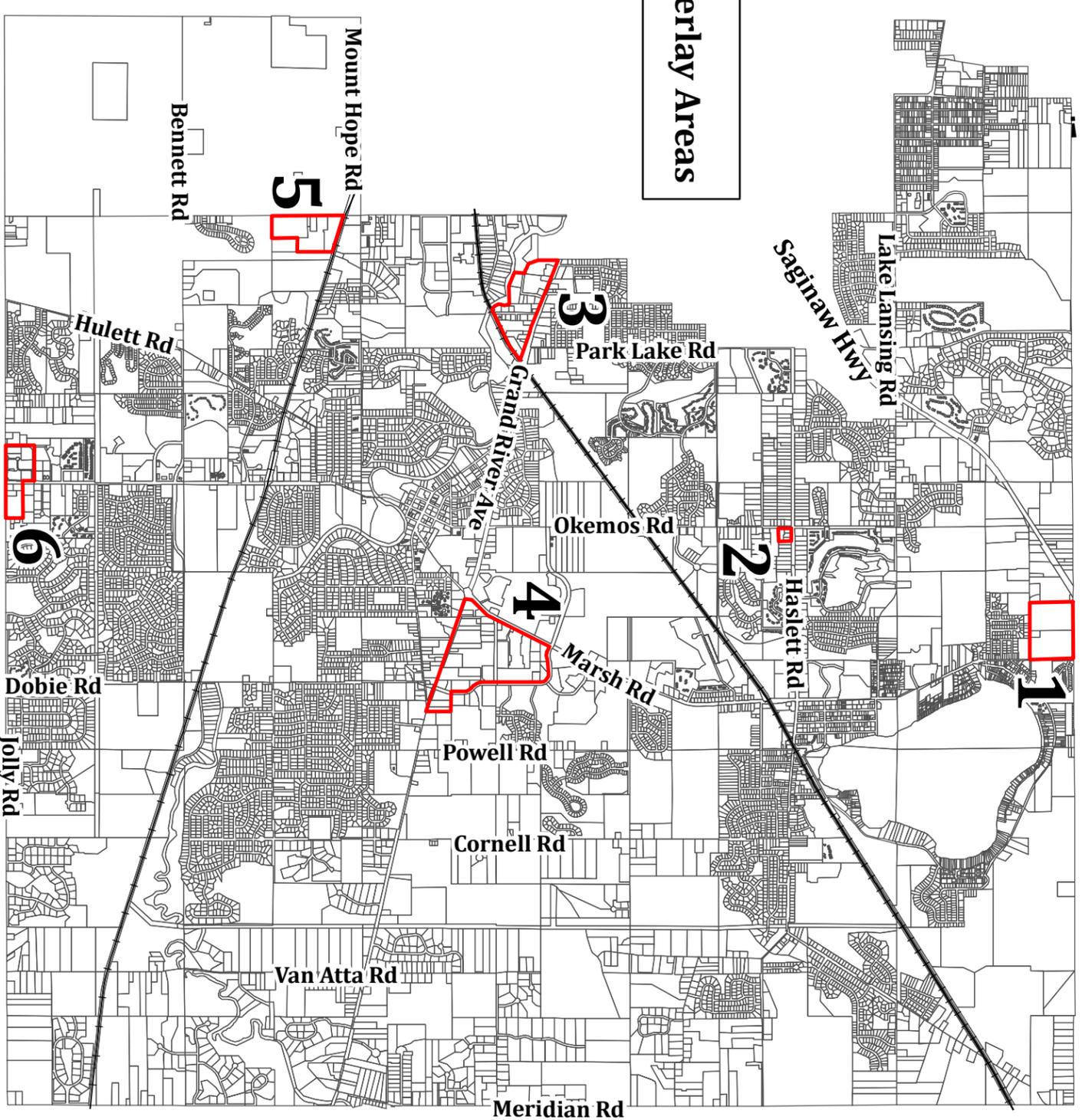


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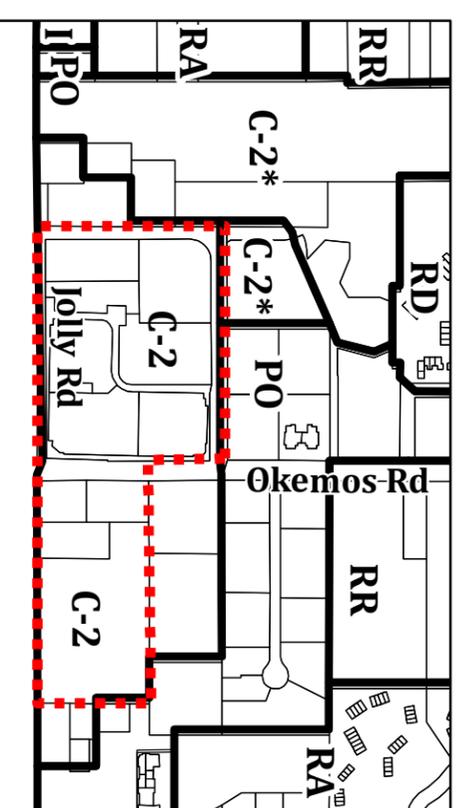


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To: Planning Commission

From: Peter Menser, Principal Planner

Date: February 22, 2019

Re: Zoning Amendment #19030 (Township Board), amend Section 86-2 and add Section 86-445 of the Code of Ordinances to establish the Commercial Medical Marihuana Facilities Overlay District.

The Planning Commission discussed Zoning Amendment #19030 at its last meeting on February 11, 2019. At the meeting the Planning Commission shared concerns related to the boundaries of the overlay areas, the permitted locations for the different types of commercial medical marihuana facilities, and the review process for considering the facilities. Additional discussion is necessary to determine what changes, if any, the Planning Commission would like to see in the proposed ordinance language.

At its last meeting on February 19, 2019 the Township Board discussed and voted to approve the non-zoning ordinance for introduction. No amendments were made to the ordinance language at the meeting. The Board may consider adding a provision to revoke a permit at its next meeting on March 5, 2109, which will require the ordinance to be re-introduced prior to final adoption. If no additional changes are made to the non-zoning ordinance the Board may consider it for final adoption at its meeting on March 19, 2019.

At the February 25, 2019 meeting staff will provide an area-by-area review of the six proposed overlay areas and what types of facilities would be allowed in each area. Attached is a review of the activities of the five different types of commercial medical marihuana facilities. The review is for illustrative purposes only; it is not intended as a definitive guide regarding every aspect of the marihuana business.

Please bring with you to the meeting on Monday your copy of the draft zoning ordinance and map of the proposed overlay district distributed in the last meeting packet.

Planning Commission Options

The Planning Commission may recommend approval as written, recommend approval of a revised version, or recommend denial of the proposed zoning amendment. A resolution will be provided at a future meeting.

Attachment

1. Medical Marihuana Facilities Overview.

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Medical Marihuana Facilities Overview

Grower

Licenses are divided into three classes, A, B and C, which may cultivate 500, 1000, and 1500 plants respectively, and may sell marihuana only to a processor or provisioning center. The marihuana sold by the grower must be transported by a secure transporter. Neither an applicant for a grower license nor any investor may have any interest in a secure transporter or a safety facility. A grower must comply with seed to sale tracking. Typically growers also trim marihuana to remove excess plant materials.

Commercial grow facilities will typically contain the following systems and equipment:

- High intensity lamps
- Heating, air conditioning, and humidity control equipment
- Ventilation fans
- Fans to circulate air around the room
- CO2 emitting equipment
- Irrigation system
- Chemicals for fertilizer and pesticides
- Fire protection system
- Security systems
- Computerized control system to monitor the environment and operate the equipment to maintain optimum conditions to maximize the crop yield.



1669 E Jolly Rd,
Lansing, MI 48910
(Grower-Class C)

Processor

May buy marihuana only from a grower, and sell it (or products made from it) only to a provisioning center. Processing businesses have the ability to process, compound, or convert marihuana or hemp into cannabinoid products, concentrates, and extracts. The limitations on growers regarding transport, cross ownership, caregiver status and experience, and seed to sale tracking also apply to processors.

Day to day: Cannabis processors are responsible for taking the raw cannabis plant and creating entirely new products from it including concentrates, topicals (for the skin), and edibles. In addition to creating these products, processors must package them in compliance with state regulations. Processors must have a security plan—a compliant way of protecting the facility from where they do business, keeping track of inventory, and transporting their finished product to the stores where they will be sold. Using traceability software will help to track marihuana as it moves from location to location. Processors must also have a clear plan for disposal of waste, product testing procedures, and the type of chemicals that will be used to process the raw marihuana.



1255 Falahee Dr, Jackson, MI 49203

Secure Transporter

May store and transport marijuana and money between facilities for a fee, but are not authorized to transport marijuana to a patient or caregiver. A transport license applicant and investor may not have an interest in any other marijuana licensee, nor be a patient or caregiver. Like all licensees, they must comply with seed to sale tracking. Every driver must have a chauffeur's license, and any employee who will have custody of marijuana or money must pass criminal background checks. Vehicles must have two person crews, enter route plans, use sealed containers, not bear markings that it is transporting marijuana, and are subject to administrative inspection. Businesses are also not clearly advertised as a secure transport facility for medical marijuana and are generally difficult to locate.



1431 Rensen St, Ste. H, Lansing, MI 48910

Provisioning Center

May buy or receive marijuana only from a grower or processor, and sell or transfer no more than the daily limit of tested and labeled marijuana only to a verified patient or caregiver. All inbound product from a separate grower or processor, and outbound transfers to a safety facility, must be by secure transport. Neither an applicant for a provisioning center license nor any investor may have any interest in a secure transporter or a safety facility. The facility may not allow alcohol or tobacco sale or use, and may not allow a physician to examine or certify patients for marijuana use.

Any product purchased cannot be consumed on the property of the provisioning center and must be consumed at a person's private property.

Day to day operations: Checking patient identification and medical card required before entering, buying product to keep product stocked, displaying products, marketing, educating customers, distributing to patients, keeping inventory of sales and products purchased.

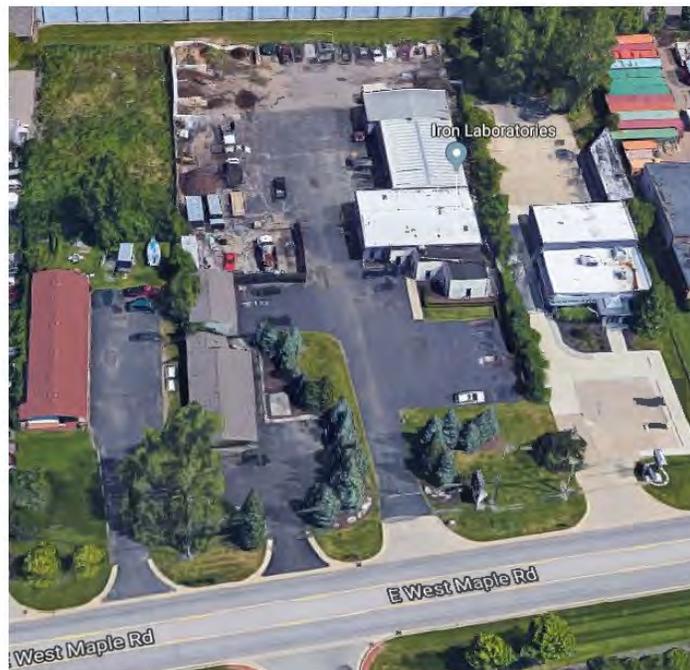
Safety Compliance Facility

May only receive from, and test for, a marihuana facility. A license applicant and investor may not own or be cross owned with any other licensee. The licensee must be accredited under criteria, have staff who meet degree requirements, and perform various tests such as testing potency of the medicine, all as detailed in the law. The facility shall comply with seed to sale tracking, and maintain laboratory space not accessible to the general public.

Day to day operations/testing variables: Much of the daily operations entail testing medical marihuana product for various substances and measures including testing for:

- Potency
- Moisture content
- Water activity
- Chemical residue/pesticides
- Heavy metals
- Residual solvents
- Microbial screening including foreign matter

Other day to day operations include ensuring employee safety, seed to sale tracking, and providing reports of substances found in the medical marihuana.



1825 E West Maple Rd, Ste. A, Walled Lake MI 48393

General Information

All medical marijuana facilities are required to have security plans in place to protect product, employees, and ensure overall safety of the business.

Nuisances:

- Offensive odors
- Potential for criminal activity

Workplace concerns:

- Pesticides
- Personal protective equipment (PPE)
- Ergonomic issues pertaining to working in awkward positions and cramped environments
- Dermal/respiratory protection
- Laboratory safety
- Emergency preparedness (robbery or other emergencies)
- Lack of industry health and safety training

Table 5.1: Common occupations and potential hazards in the marijuana industry

Job	Duties	Potential hazards
Cultivator	Planting, transplanting, physically relocating plants, watering, nutrient mixing and feeding, mixing and applying pesticides, cleaning, harvesting plants, drying plants	Mold, sensitizers/allergens CO ₂ , CO, pesticides/fungicides, ergonomics, walking/ working surfaces, lighting hazards, chemical exposures
Trimmer	Trimming, packaging, shipping, data entry, cleaning	Mold, sensitizers/allergens, CO ₂ , CO, pesticides, ergonomics, occupational injuries (cuts), chemical exposures, machinery
Extraction technician	Extracting marijuana concentrates	Machinery, IAQ, allergens, noise, ergonomics, chemical exposures, use of explosive/ flammable chemicals such as butane
Edible producer, infused product confectioner/artisan/ chef	Cooking, baking, packaging, bottling, and labeling marijuana infused products	Occupational injuries (burns), noise, chemicals
Budtender	Sales representative who sells marijuana and marijuana products to customers	Sensitizers/allergens, ergonomics, workplace violence
Laboratory technician	Operates laboratory equipment to determine cannabinoid and contaminant concentrations	Solvents, ergonomics
Cultivation owner/operator	In addition to running the business, may oversee and be involved in the functions of the grow operation	Sensitizers/allergens, mold, CO ₂ , CO, pesticides/fungicides, high pressure machinery, IAQ, noise, chemicals, workplace violence
Administrative	Responsible for day-to-day operations of the business. May include marketing roles, financial roles, HR roles, retail store management	Ergonomics, workplace violence
Transportation	May transport product or money between growing and retail facilities	Occupational injuries, workplace violence
Maintenance (non-contracted)	Facilities maintenance, equipment maintenance, HVAC	Elevated heights, electrical hazards

Source: *Guide to Worker Safety and Health in the Medical Marijuana Industry January 2017* Marijuana Occupational Health and Safety Work Group—Colorado Department of Public Health & Environment



To: Planning Commission

From: Peter Menser, Principal Planner

Date: March 8, 2019

Re: Zoning Amendment #19030 (Township Board), amend Section 86-2 and add Section 86-445 of the Code of Ordinances to establish the Commercial Medical Marihuana Facilities Overlay District.

The Planning Commission discussed Zoning Amendment #19030 at its last meeting on February 25, 2019. At the meeting the Planning Commission reviewed the six overlay areas and suggested changes, which included removing any residentially zoned property. The zoning districts where each type of commercial medical marihuana facility license could locate were also discussed. There seemed to be general consensus on the following arrangement:

Facility type	Zoning District(s) allowed
Grower	I (Industrial)
Processor	I (Industrial)
Provisioning Center	C-1, C-2, C-3 (Commercial)
Safety Compliance Facility	I (Industrial), C-1, C-2, C-3 (Commercial), and RP (Research and Office Park)
Secure Transporter	I (Industrial) and RP (Research and Office Park)

At its last meeting on March 5, 2019 the Township Board discussed the non-zoning ordinance but chose to table the vote to approve for introduction the non-zoning ordinance ahead of the joint meeting planned between the Planning Commission and Township Board to discuss the elements of both the zoning and non-zoning medical marihuana ordinances. The joint meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, March 12 at 6:00 p.m. in the Town Hall Room of the Meridian Municipal Building.

Planning Commission Options

The Planning Commission may recommend approval as written, recommend approval of a revised version, or recommend denial of the proposed zoning amendment. A resolution will be provided at a future meeting.

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To: Planning Commission

From: Peter Menser, Principal Planner

Date: March 22, 2019

Re: **Zoning Amendment #19030 (Township Board), amend Section 86-2 and add Section 86-445 of the Code of Ordinances to establish the Commercial Medical Marihuana Facilities Overlay District.**

The Planning Commission discussed Zoning Amendment #19030 at its last meeting on March 11, 2019. The joint meeting between the Planning Commission and Township Board was held on March 12, 2019. At the joint meeting there appeared to be consensus that the special use permit for commercial medical marihuana facilities would go on to the Township Board for a final decision after a recommendation from the Planning Commission. The draft ordinance language has been updated to include this additional step in the review process.

At the meeting on March 25, 2019 the plan will be to further review the six overlay areas and the zoning districts where each type of commercial medical marihuana facility license could locate.

Based on comments from the joint meeting the Township Board will not be discussing the non-zoning ordinance until the Planning Commission has provided a recommendation on the zoning ordinance.

Planning Commission Options

The Planning Commission may recommend approval as written, recommend approval of a revised version, or recommend denial of the proposed zoning amendment. A resolution will be provided at a future meeting.

Attachments

1. Revised draft ordinance dated March 12, 2019.
2. Overlay area maps

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**DRAFT ORDINANCE
COMMERCIAL MEDICAL MARIHUANA FACILITIES OVERLAY DISTRICT
CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MERIDIAN**

**Chapter 86: Zoning
Article I: In General
Section 86-2: Definitions**

1. “Commercial Medical Marihuana Facility” or “Facility” means one of the following:
 - a. “Provisioning Center,” as that term is defined in the Medical Marihuana Facilities Licensing Act, Public Act 281 of 2016 (“MMFLA”);
 - b. “Processor,” as that term is defined in the MMFLA;
 - c. “Secure Transporter,” as that term in the MMFLA;
 - d. “Grower,” including Class A, Class B and Class C, as those terms are defined in the MMFLA;
 - e. “Safety Compliance Facility,” as that term is defined in the MMFLA.
2. “Marihuana” means that term as defined in Section 7106 of the Michigan Public Health Code, 1978 PA 368, MCL 333.7106.
3. “Medical Marihuana” means that term as defined in MCL 333.26423.
4. “Patient” means a “registered qualifying patient” or a “visiting qualifying patient” as those terms are defined by MCL 333.26421, et seq.
5. “Permit” means a current and valid permit for a Commercial Medical Marihuana Facility issued under the Charter Township of Meridian Ordinance Authorizing and Permitting Commercial Medical Marihuana Facilities, Charter Township of Meridian Ordinance No. ____, which shall be granted to a Permit Holder only for and limited to a specific Permitted Premises and a specific Permitted Property. Said Permit shall be in addition to the Special Use Permit required to be obtained under this Zoning Ordinance.
6. “Person” means a natural person, company, partnership, profit or non-profit corporation, limited liability company, or any joint venture for a common purpose.

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Chapter 86: Zoning

Article IV: District Regulations

Division 4: Other Districts

Section 86-445 Commercial Medical Marihuana Facilities Overlay District

(a) Applicability. The Commercial Medical Marihuana Facilities overlay district shall apply to all lots within the areas shown on Map (s) ____ (the "Overlay Areas"). All lots included in the overlay district shall be subject to the terms and conditions imposed in this section, in addition to the terms and conditions imposed by the zoning district where such lots may be located, any other applicable ordinance and the requirements of Section (Ordinance Authorizing and Permitting Commercial Medical Marihuana Facilities).

(b) Uses permitted by right. All uses permitted by right in the underlying zoning districts.

(c) Uses permitted by special use permit. All uses permitted by special use permit in the underlying zoning district and all types of Commercial Medical Marihuana Facilities subject to the number of available Permits allowed per Section (Ordinance Authorizing and Permitting Commercial Medical Marihuana Facilities).

(d) Uses not permitted. Any use not permitted in the underlying zoning district is not permitted in the Commercial Medical Marihuana Facilities overlay district.

(e) Permitted locations.

1. Grower Class A, Class B, or Class C in the I (Industrial) district.
2. Processor in the I (Industrial) district; C-1, C-2, or C-3 (Commercial) districts; and RP (Research and Office Park) district.
3. Provisioning Center in the I (Industrial) district; C-1, C-2, or C-3 (Commercial) districts; and RP (Research and Office Park) district.
4. Safety Compliance Facility in the I (Industrial) district; C-1, C-2, or C-3 (Commercial) districts; and RP (Research and Office Park) district.
5. Secure Transporter in the I (Industrial) district; C-1, C-2, or C-3 (Commercial) districts; and RP (Research and Office Park) district.

(f) Application and departmental reviews

1. Application. The application for a special use permit shall be submitted to the Director of Community Planning and Development in accordance with Section 86-124.

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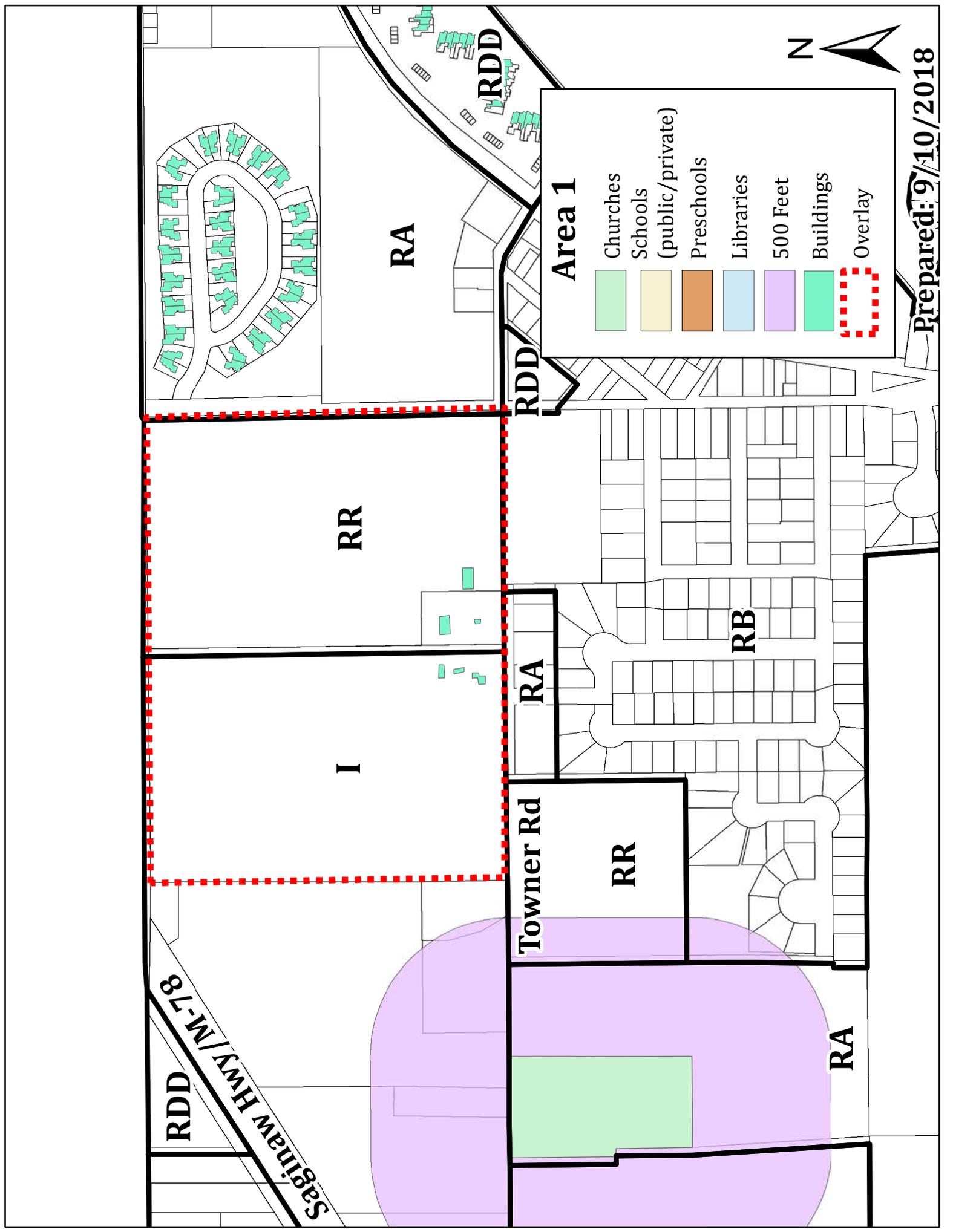
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2. Departmental reviews. The applicant's plan shall be reviewed by the Township Department of Community Planning and Development, the Township EMS/Fire Department, the Township Police Department, the Township Public Works/Engineering Department, the county drain commissioner, and the county road department or the state department of transportation, whichever road agency has jurisdiction over roads in the immediate vicinity, in order to ensure that public utilities, road, and other infrastructure systems are or will be adequate to support the proposed development.

(g) Review process. Upon determination that the application is complete, the Director of Community Planning and Development shall initiate a review process in accordance with Section 86-125 of this chapter, subject to all hearings and other provisions set forth therein, as applicable, **EXCEPT THE FINAL DECISION ON THE SPECIAL USE PERMIT SHALL BE MADE BY THE TOWNSHIP BOARD.**

1. **PLANNING COMMISSION ACTION. THE PLANNING COMMISSION AFTER HOLDING A PUBLIC HEARING SHALL MAKE A RECOMMENDATION TO THE TOWNSHIP BOARD. IN MAKING A RECOMMENDATION THE PLANNING COMMISSION SHALL FOLLOW THE REVIEW CRITERIA IN § 86-126 AND MAY RECOMMEND CONDITIONS IN ACCORDANCE WITH § 86-127.**
2. **TOWNSHIP BOARD ACTION. FOLLOWING REVIEW OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION'S RECOMMENDATION AND RECORD, THE TOWNSHIP BOARD MAY DENY, APPROVE, OR APPROVE WITH CONDITIONS AN APPLICATION FOR A SPECIAL USE PERMIT. PRIOR TO MAKING A DECISION ON A SPECIAL USE PERMIT, THE TOWNSHIP BOARD MAY HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE REQUEST. NOTICE OF THE PUBLIC HEARING SHALL BE GIVEN IN THE SAME MANNER AS OUTLINED IN § 86-65 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES.**

(h) Amendments. Any amendments to an approved special use permit shall be in accordance with Section 86-129.



Area 1

- Churches
- Schools (public/private)
- Preschools
- Libraries
- 500 Feet
- Buildings
- Overlay

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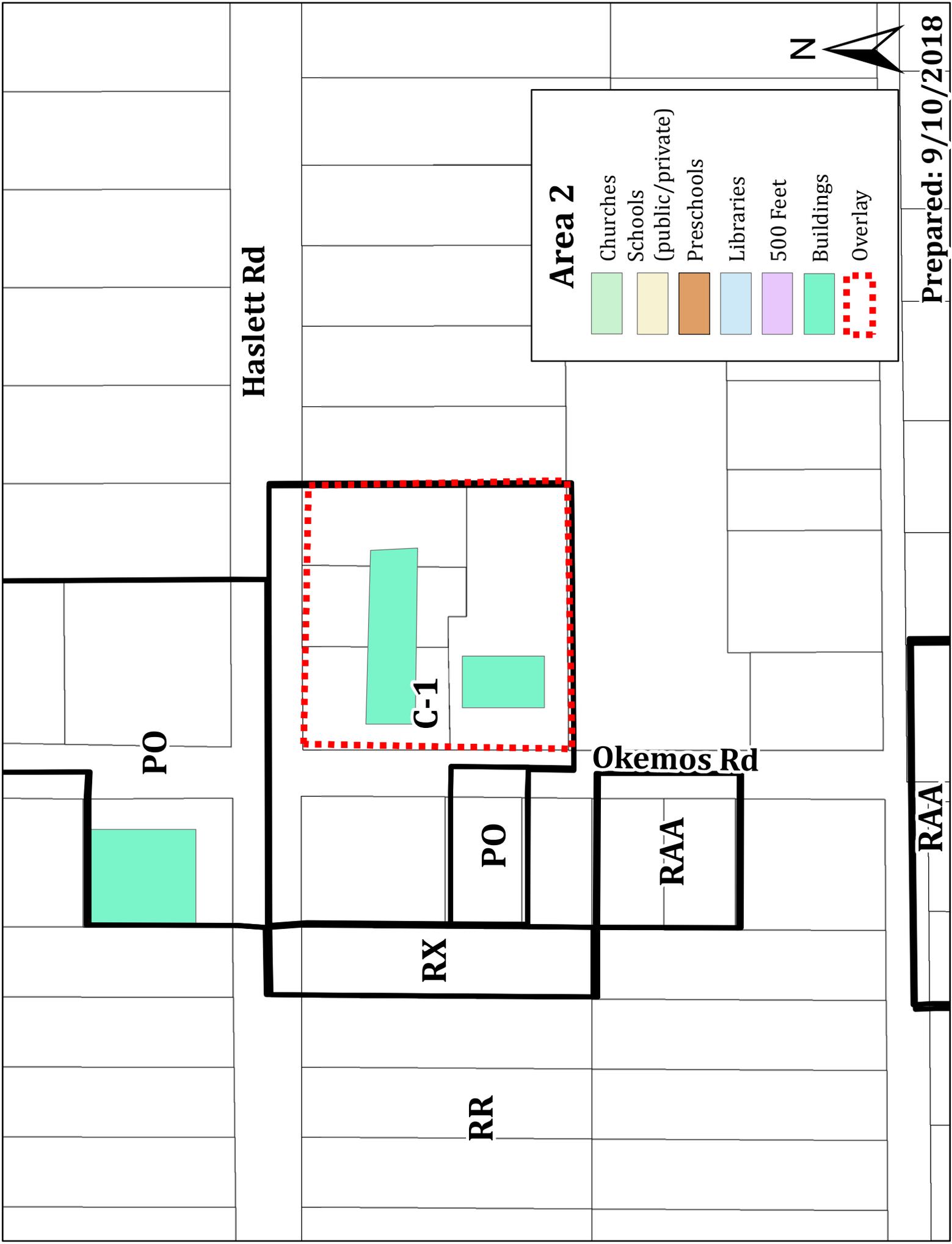
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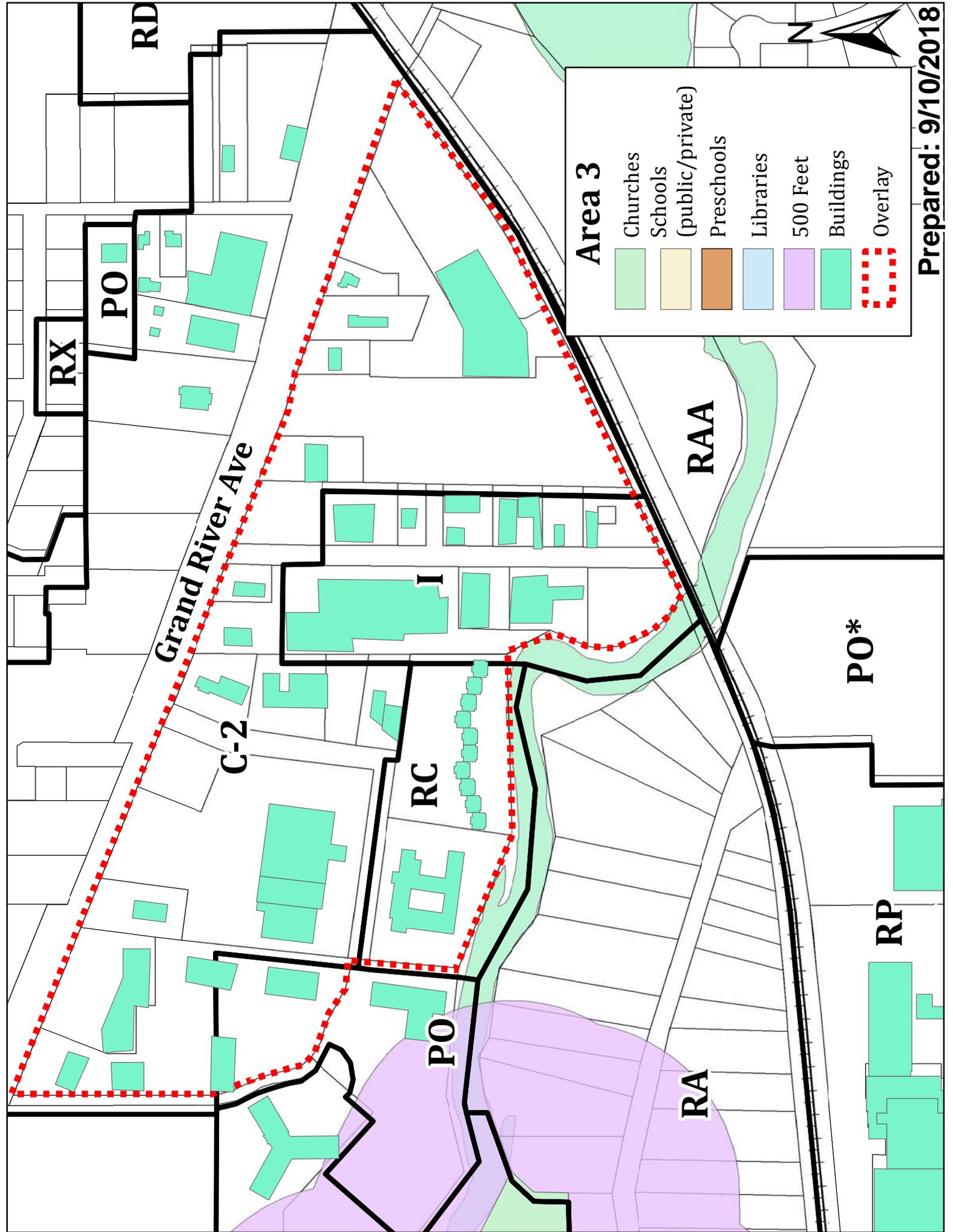
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Area 2

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-  Schools (public/private)
-  Preschools
-  Libraries
-  500 Feet
-  Buildings
-  Overlay





Area 3

- Churches
- Schools (public/private)
- Preschools
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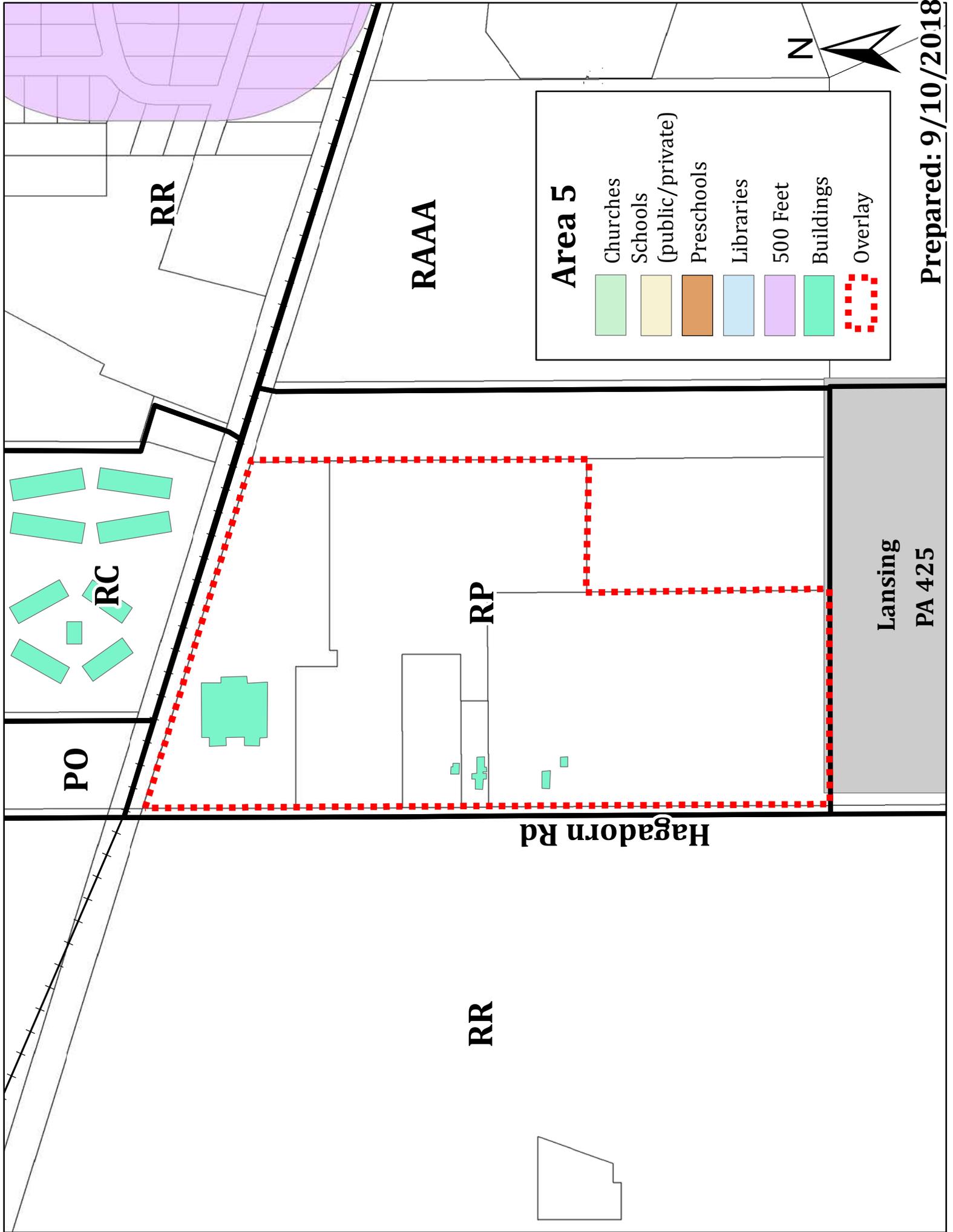
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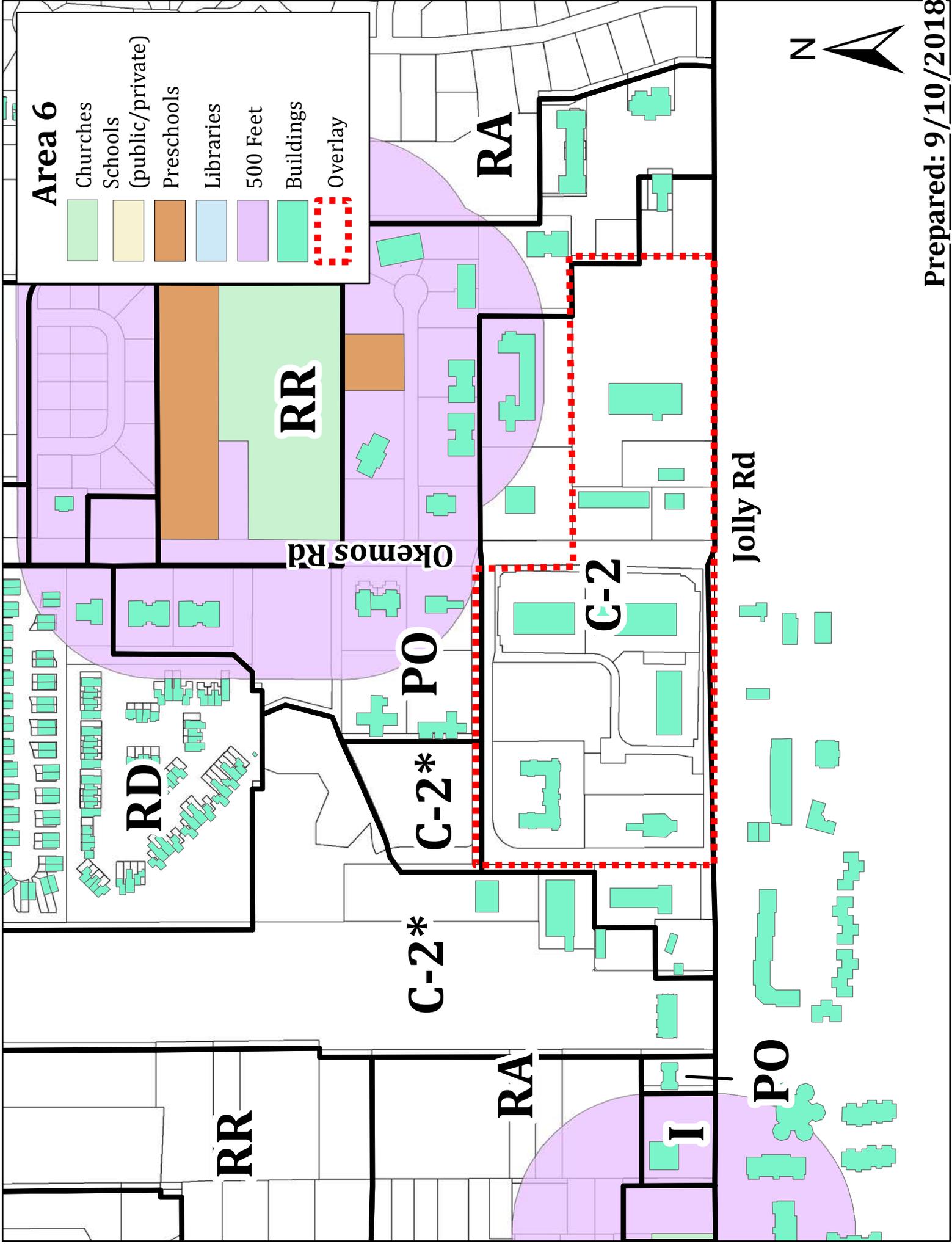


Area 5

- Churches
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- Preschools
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- 500 Feet
- Buildings
- Overlay

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Area 6

- Churches
- Schools (public/private)
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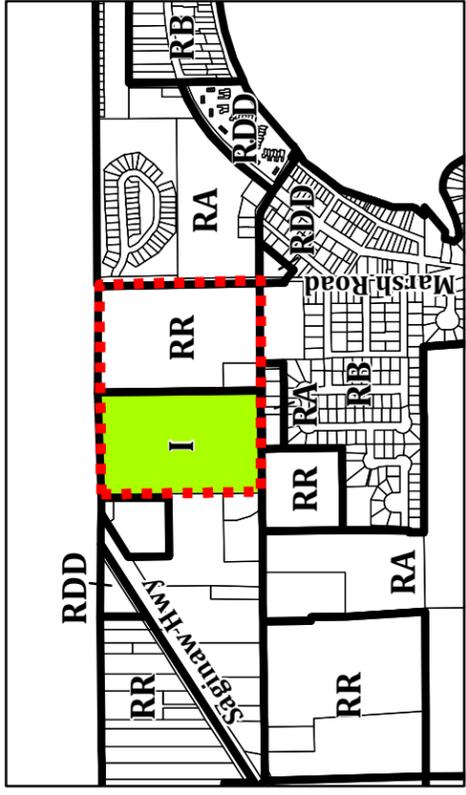
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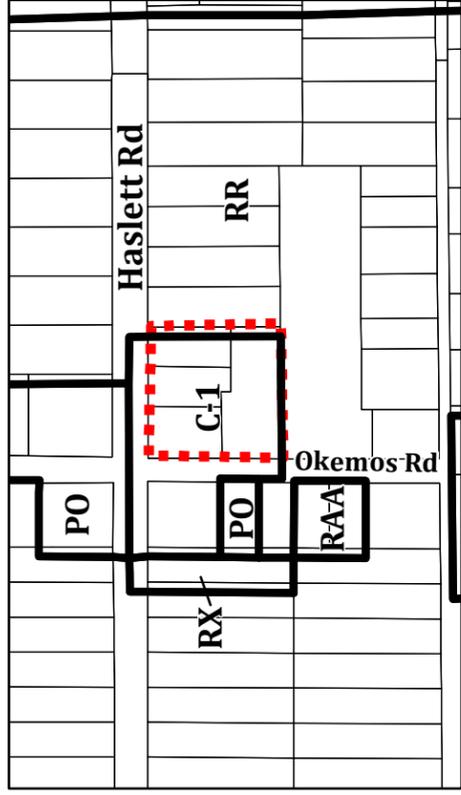
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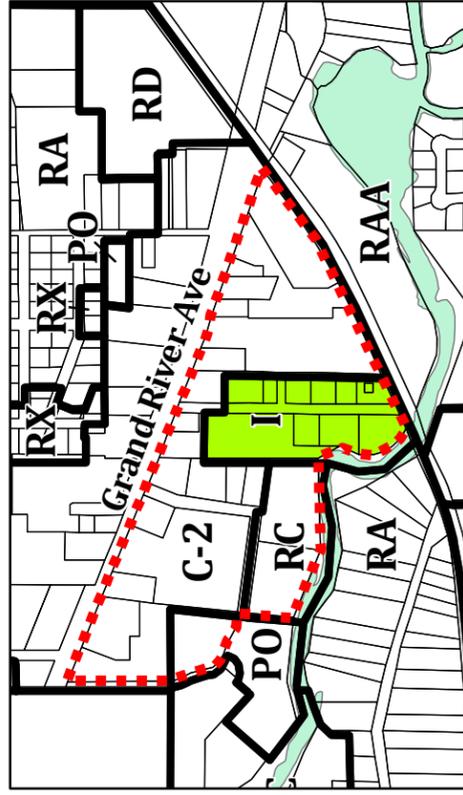




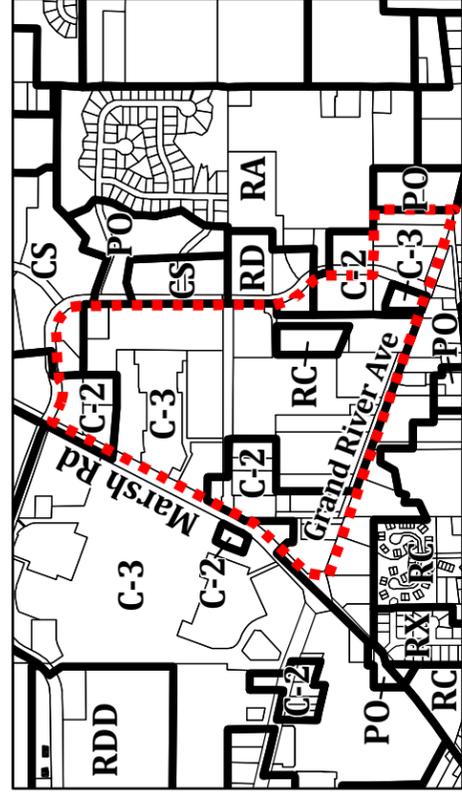
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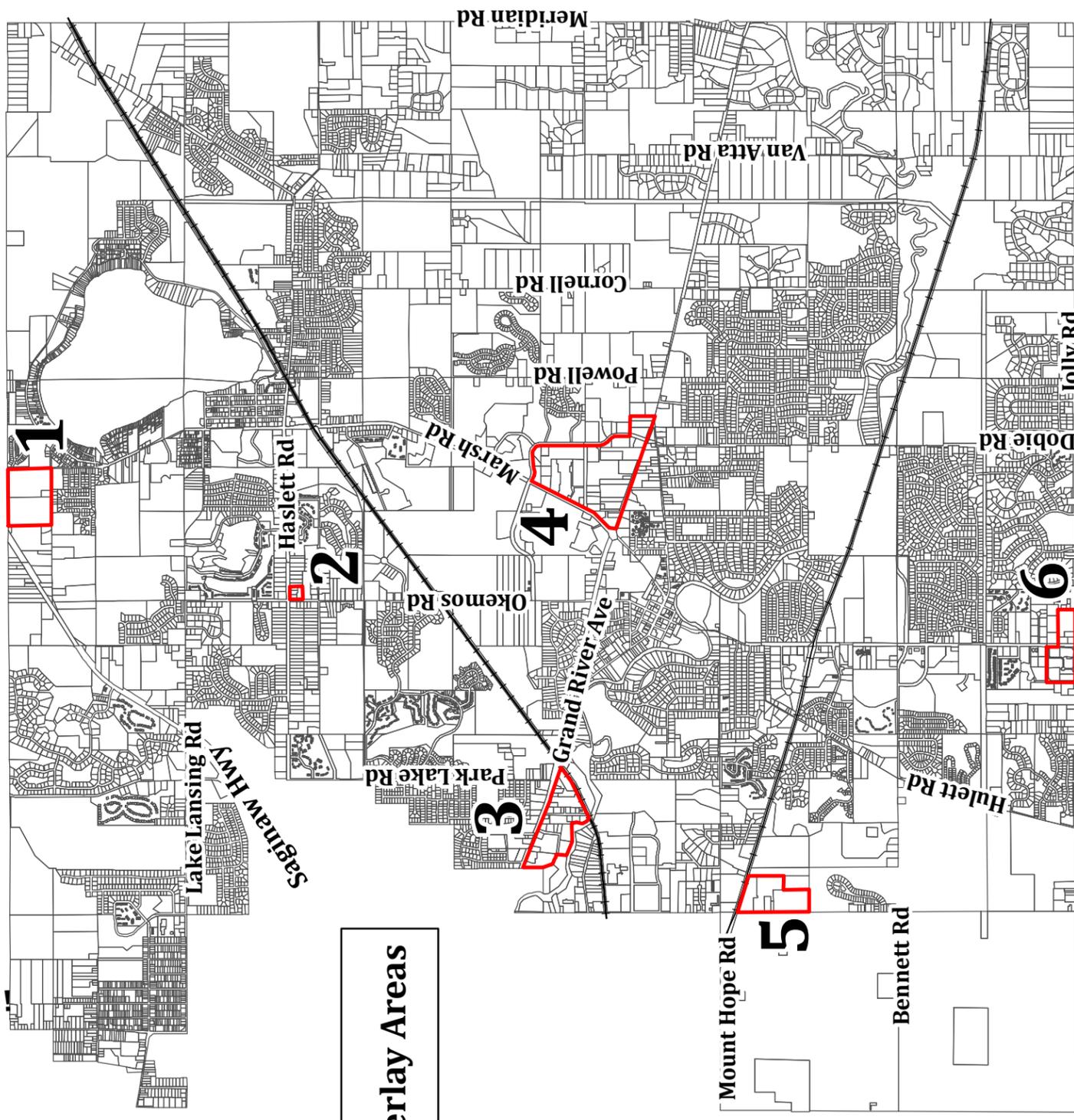
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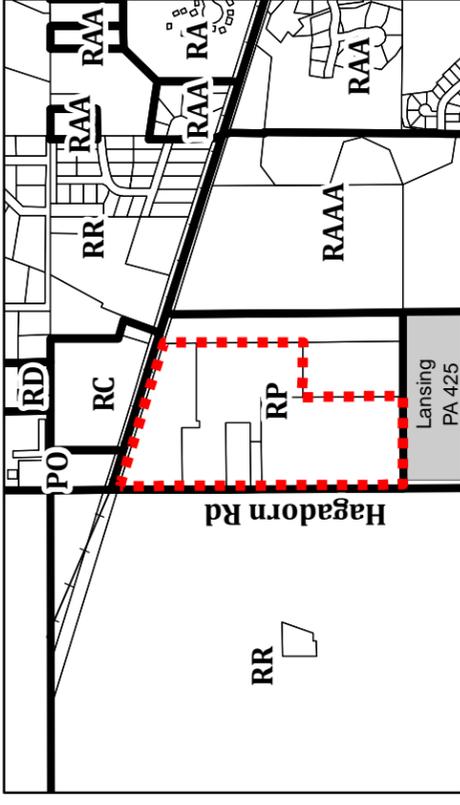


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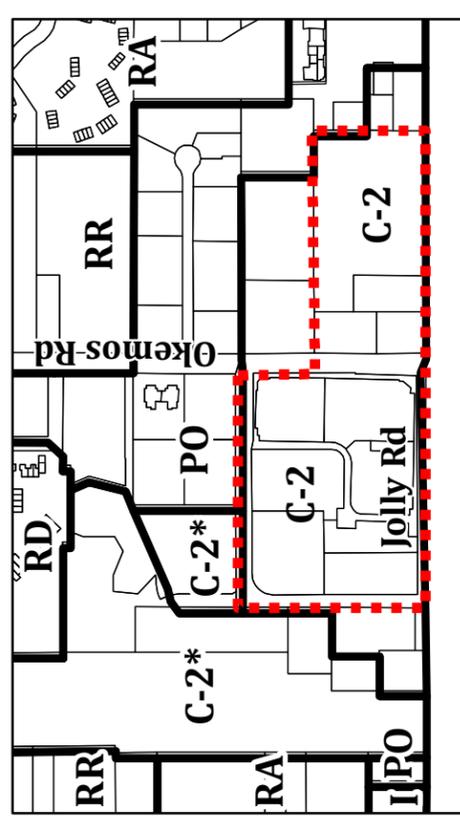


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To: Planning Commission
From: Peter Menser, Principal Planner
Date: April 4, 2019
Re: **Zoning Amendment #19030 (Township Board), amend Section 86-2 and add Section 86-445 of the Code of Ordinances to establish the Commercial Medical Marihuana Facilities Overlay District.**

The Planning Commission discussed Zoning Amendment #19030 at its last meeting on March 25, 2019. Based on a straw poll taken at the meeting there was general consensus to recommend approval of the proposed zoning amendment at the next meeting, subject to the following changes to the draft ordinance language:

- Elimination of Overlay Area #2 (Haslett Road/Okemos Road)
- Elimination of Overlay Area #6 (Jolly Road/Okemos Road)
- Revision to the arrangement of zoning districts/license types as depicted below:

<i>Facility type</i>	<i>Zoning District(s) allowed</i>
Grower	I (Industrial)
Processor	I (Industrial)
Provisioning Center	C-1, C-2, C-3 (Commercial)
Safety Compliance Facility	I (Industrial) and RP (Research and Office Park)
Secure Transporter	I (Industrial) and RP (Research and Office Park)

Planning Commission Options

The Planning Commission may recommend approval as written, recommend approval of a revised version, or recommend denial of the proposed zoning amendment. A resolution to recommend approval is provided.

- **Motion to adopt the attached resolution recommending approval of Zoning Amendment #19030 with conditions.**

Attachments

1. Resolution to recommend approval.
2. Revised draft ordinance language dated April 4, 2019

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RESOLUTION TO RECOMMEND APPROVAL

**Zoning Amendment #19030
Township Board**

RESOLUTION

At the regular meeting of the Planning Commission of the Charter Township of Meridian, Ingham County, Michigan, held at the Meridian Municipal Building, in said Township on the 8th day of April, 2019, at 7:00 p.m., Local Time.

PRESENT: _____

ABSENT: _____

The following resolution was offered by _____ and supported by _____.

WHEREAS, the Township Board, at its meeting on December 11, 2018 initiated the zoning amendment to amend Section 86-2 and add Section 86-445 of the Code of Ordinances to establish the Commercial Medical Marihuana Facilities Overlay District; and

WHEREAS, the proposed zoning amendment would establish four designated areas in the Township where commercial medical marihuana facilities can be located; and

WHEREAS, the proposed zoning amendment identifies the zoning districts in which each of the five types of commercial medical marihuana facilities can locate, which includes grower facilities in I (Industrial) zoning districts; processor facilities in I (Industrial) zoning districts; provisioning centers in C-1, C-2, and C-3 (Commercial) zoning districts; safety compliance facilities in I (Industrial) and RP (Research Park) zoning districts, and secure transporter facilities in I (Industrial) and RP (Research Park) zoning districts; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission held a public hearing on the proposed zoning amendment at its regular meeting on February 11, 2019 and reviewed staff material forwarded under cover memorandums dated February 5, 2019, February 22, 2019, March 8, 2019, and March 22, 2019; and

WHEREAS, in addition to a State license and Township permit, all types of commercial medical marihuana facilities would be subject to approval of a special use permit from the Township Board; and

WHEREAS, the four designated overlay areas identified for commercial medical marihuana facilities will minimize incompatibilities with existing surrounding land uses; and

WHEREAS, the proposed zoning amendment is consistent with the goal established in the 2019 Community Planning and Development department plan to complete ordinances for Commercial Medical Marihuana Facilities; and

WHEREAS, the proposed zoning amendment is consistent with Goal 3 of the 2017 Master Plan to enhance the viability of Township businesses.

Zoning Amendment #19030 (Township Board)

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NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THE PLANNING COMMISSION OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MERIDIAN hereby recommends approval of Zoning Amendment #19030, to amend Section 86-2 and add Section 86-445 of the Code of Ordinances to establish the Commercial Medical Marihuana Facilities Overlay District, subject to the following conditions:

1. The recommendation is in accordance with the revised draft ordinance language dated April 4, 2019.
2. Overlay Areas #2 and #6 are recommended for removal from the Commercial Medical Marihuana Facilities Overlay District Map.

ADOPTED: YEAS: _____

NAYS: _____

STATE OF MICHIGAN)

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COUNTY OF INGHAM)

I, the undersigned, the duly qualified and acting Chair of the Planning Commission of the Charter Township of Meridian, Ingham County, Michigan, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing is a true and a complete copy of a resolution adopted at a regular meeting of the Planning Commission on the 8th day of April, 2019.

John Scott-Craig
Planning Commission Chair

**DRAFT ORDINANCE
COMMERCIAL MEDICAL MARIHUANA FACILITIES OVERLAY DISTRICT
CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MERIDIAN**

**Chapter 86: Zoning
Article I: In General
Section 86-2: Definitions**

1. “Commercial Medical Marihuana Facility” or “Facility” means one of the following:
 - a. “Provisioning Center,” as that term is defined in the Medical Marihuana Facilities Licensing Act, Public Act 281 of 2016 (“MMFLA”);
 - b. “Processor,” as that term is defined in the MMFLA;
 - c. “Secure Transporter,” as that term in the MMFLA;
 - d. “Grower,” including Class A, Class B and Class C, as those terms are defined in the MMFLA;
 - e. “Safety Compliance Facility,” as that term is defined in the MMFLA.
2. “Marihuana” means that term as defined in Section 7106 of the Michigan Public Health Code, 1978 PA 368, MCL 333.7106.
3. “Medical Marihuana” means that term as defined in MCL 333.26423.
4. “Patient” means a “registered qualifying patient” or a “visiting qualifying patient” as those terms are defined by MCL 333.26421, et seq.
5. “Permit” means a current and valid permit for a Commercial Medical Marihuana Facility issued under the Charter Township of Meridian Ordinance Authorizing and Permitting Commercial Medical Marihuana Facilities, Charter Township of Meridian Ordinance No. ____, which shall be granted to a Permit Holder only for and limited to a specific Permitted Premises and a specific Permitted Property. Said Permit shall be in addition to the Special Use Permit required to be obtained under this Zoning Ordinance.
6. “Person” means a natural person, company, partnership, profit or non-profit corporation, limited liability company, or any joint venture for a common purpose.

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Chapter 86: Zoning

Article IV: District Regulations

Division 4: Other Districts

Section 86-445 Commercial Medical Marihuana Facilities Overlay District

(a) Applicability. The Commercial Medical Marihuana Facilities overlay district shall apply to all lots within the areas shown on Map (s) ____ (the "Overlay Areas"). All lots included in the overlay district shall be subject to the terms and conditions imposed in this section, in addition to the terms and conditions imposed by the zoning district where such lots may be located, any other applicable ordinance and the requirements of Section (Ordinance Authorizing and Permitting Commercial Medical Marihuana Facilities).

(b) Uses permitted by right. All uses permitted by right in the underlying zoning districts.

(c) Uses permitted by special use permit. All uses permitted by special use permit in the underlying zoning district and all types of Commercial Medical Marihuana Facilities subject to the number of available Permits allowed per Section (Ordinance Authorizing and Permitting Commercial Medical Marihuana Facilities).

(d) Uses not permitted. Any use not permitted in the underlying zoning district is not permitted in the Commercial Medical Marihuana Facilities overlay district.

(e) Permitted locations.

1. Grower Class A, Class B, or Class C in the I (Industrial) district.
2. Processor in the I (Industrial) district.
3. Provisioning Center in the C-1, C-2, or C-3 (Commercial) districts.
4. Safety Compliance Facility in the I (Industrial) district and RP (Research and Office Park) districts.
5. Secure Transporter in the I (Industrial) district and RP (Research and Office Park) districts.

(f) Application and departmental reviews

1. Application. The application for a special use permit shall be submitted to the Director of Community Planning and Development in accordance with Section 86-124.

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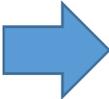
2. Departmental reviews. The applicant's plan shall be reviewed by the Township Department of Community Planning and Development, the Township EMS/Fire Department, the Township Police Department, the Township Public Works/Engineering Department, the county drain commissioner, and the county road department or the state department of transportation, whichever road agency has jurisdiction over roads in the immediate vicinity, in order to ensure that public utilities, road, and other infrastructure systems are or will be adequate to support the proposed development.

(g) Review process. Upon determination that the application is complete, the Director of Community Planning and Development shall initiate a review process in accordance with Section 86-125 of this chapter, subject to all hearings and other provisions set forth therein, as applicable, except the final decision on the special use permit shall be made by the Township Board.

1. Planning Commission action. The Planning commission after holding a public hearing shall make a recommendation to the Township Board. In making a recommendation the Planning Commission shall follow the review criteria in Section 86-126 and may recommend conditions in accordance with Section 86-127.
2. Township Board action. Following review of the Planning Commission's recommendation and record, the Township Board may deny, approve, or approve with conditions an application for a special use permit. Prior to making a decision on a special use permit, the Township Board may hold a public hearing on the request. Notice of the public hearing shall be given in the same manner as outlined in § 86-65 of the Code of Ordinances.

(h) Amendments. Any amendments to an approved special use permit shall be in accordance with Section 86-129.

6. Public Hearings

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- A. Zoning Amendment #19030 (Meridian Township), amend Section 86-2 of the Code of Ordinances and add Section 86-445 to establish the Commercial Medical Marijuana Facilities Overlay District.

Chair Scott-Craig opened the public hearing at 7:08 P.M.

Principal Planner Menser provided a brief summary of the staff report. The Township Board initiated the zoning amendment and referred it to the Planning Commission to hold a public hearing and make recommendations.

Public Comments: None

Planning Commission Discussion:

Chair Scott-Craig noted this is a complicated issue and the topics of discussion will include the overlay district area, reviewing the process and permitted locations.

Commissioner Trezise mentioned the overlay map is in conflict with the proposed ordinance as about half of Section 1 is zoned RR, but nothing is permitted in RR. He further noted that portions of sections 3 and 4 are zoned RC and no medical marijuana facilities would be allowed unless the area was rezoned. Commissioner Trezise asked why they were included in the district if they are not properly zoned.

Chair Scott-Craig noted the overlay map is in conflict also in section 5 as it is listed as a potential location for a grow facility and is zoned Research Park, not Industrial. Chair Scott-Craig further noted the Township Board is still considering changes and he suggested accepting the current boundaries at this time.

Commissioner Premoe expressed concerns with having six overlay districts as this seems excessive. He shared his concern that the Planning Commission will spend too much time dealing with complaints from residents.

Commissioner Cordill expressed concern that some overlay districts included or were adjacent to residential districts.

Commissioner Richards suggested the Commission wait to make final comments until the Township Board makes final decisions on the locations of overlay districts.

Vice-Chair Lane suggested focusing on Commercial and Industrial Districts (4 and 5) and avoiding anything close to residential areas.

Commissioner Hendrickson expressed concerns with overlay district 4.

Chair Scott-Craig stated the overall number of permits for some facilities exceed the number of permitted locations.

Chair Scott-Craig closed the public hearing at 8:02 P.M.

- B. Zoning Amendment #19040 (Meridian Township), amend Section 86-2 and Section 86-654 of the Code of Ordinances to add continuing care communities to the list of uses permitted as non-residential uses in residential zoning districts.

Chair Scott-Craig opened the public hearing at 8:03 P.M.

Principal Planner Menser provided a summary of the request. In December 2018 a concept plan was presented to the Township Board for a mix of senior independent living and skilled nursing care housing. The developer requested the Board amend the zoning ordinance to accommodate the proposed development and the Township Board voted to initiate a zoning amendment allowing senior living communities.

Senior living communities with cooking facilities (stove and oven) are considered under the multi-family residential zoning and if there are no cooking facilities the senior living communities are considered as a single-family non-residential use in a residential district.

Public Comments:

- A. Lynne Page, 3912 Raleigh Drive, spoke in opposition to Zoning Amendment #19040.
- B. David Pierson, 1305 South Washington Avenue, attorney representing The Eyde Company spoke in support of Zoning Amendment #19040.
- C. Shawn O'Brien, 16948 Pine Hollow Drive, spoke in support of Zoning Amendment #19040.

Planning Commission Discussion:

Commissioner Richards stated the concept makes sense but he has concerns with the impact to the single family residents to the east of the above mentioned site on Hannah Boulevard. Commissioner Richards also suggested imposing greater setbacks and restricting balconies on three and four story buildings, if the buildings are located adjacent to single family zoning. He also noted the minimum age of 55 seems too young for the senior living communities and should be perhaps more in the range of 70-80 years old.

Commissioner Cordill expressed concern with the proposed building height and stated a sixty foot/four story building should be located more than fifty feet from a neighboring single family home. Commissioner Cordill also commented on the proposed minimum lot size (10 acres) and wanted to know how many people might live in the proposed senior living community of this size. Principal Planner Menser replied there could be 25 units per acre based on the draft ordinance.

Commissioner Hendrickson asked if a comparison of the three independent senior living communities (Marsh Pointe, The Marquette and Meridian Stratford Place) listed in the staff report has been done regarding parcel size and standards. Principal Planner Menser replied that a comparison has not been done.

Chair Scott-Craig reminded everyone the ordinance is what is being considered and not the project in the concept plan seen by the Township Board. Additional projects will be limited if the proposed ten acre minimum lot size is kept in the ordinance.

The Planning Commission took a five minute recess at 8:10 P.M.



- D. Zoning Amendment #19030 (Meridian Township), amend Section 86-2 of the Code of Ordinances and add Section 86-445 to establish the Commercial Medical Marihuana Facilities Overlay District.

Principal Planner Menser provided an overview and mentioned the staff packet also included some examples of the five types of commercial medical marihuana facilities. He noted the Planning Commission had previously discussed considering the zoning districts where each license type can locate and the boundaries of the overlay areas.

Planning Commission Discussion:

Commissioner Premoe suggested going through each area to look at the boundaries proposed and the uses allowed in order to form a conclusion.

Commissioner Cordill expressed concern with any medical marihuana business property abutting a residential property.

Commissioner Premoe expressed concern with having six overlay districts and twenty-one facilities, noting the numbers seem excessive.

Commissioner Cordill mentioned she would not include residential districts in any of the overlay areas.

Chair Scott-Craig agreed with Commissioner Cordill's comments and added there are three spots within the six overlay districts that have residential property included within the boundary and he would like to see them all removed.

Commissioner Premoe was in agreement with Chair Scott-Craig and Commissioner Cordill's previous comments.

Commissioner Premoe noted there should only be two overlay districts and two provisioning centers in the Township in order to limit the permits since the Planning Commission would be handling the special use permit requests.

Commissioner Trezise shared his proposed amendment to the appropriate zoning district for each type of medical marihuana license type, which included Growing and Processing being located in Industrial only, Provisioning Centers being located in C-1, C-2, and C-3 only, Safety Compliance Facilities being located in C-1, C-2, C-3, RP, and Industrial zoning districts, and Secure Transport being located in Industrial and RP only.

Commissioner Hendrickson wondered if a Secure Transporter business also is a storage facility for Marihuana adding that it could be a potential security issue.

Commissioner Trezise noted it is important to think about the impact beyond the facility itself when reviewing the overlay districts.

Commissioner Lane stated provisioning centers should be limited to C-1, C-2 and C-3. They are not a good fit for a research park area due to potential traffic increases.

Commissioner Lane suggested using the restrictions that Commissioner Trezise suggested when reviewing the six proposed overlay districts and what types of facilities would be allowed in each area.

Commissioner Premoe suggested requesting a meeting with the Township Board to discuss this topic further and the other Commissioners agreed this would be beneficial.

- E. Zoning Amendment #19040 (Meridian Township), amend Section 86-2 and Section 86-654 of the Code of Ordinances to add continuing care communities to the list of uses permitted as non-residential uses in residential zoning districts.

Principal Planner Menser provided an overview of the zoning amendment.

Planning Commission Discussion:

Commissioner Trezise expressed concern with allowing a four story Senior Living Facility in a residential neighborhood because it would be an intrusion.

Commissioner Premoe suggested further setbacks for higher buildings.

Chair Scott-Craig shared his frustration regarding how to figure out how to write an ordinance for a facility the Planning Commission is not familiar with and suggested seeking expert advice.

Commissioner Shrewsbury noted the lot size requirement is an important factor to consider and we can minimize concerns by keeping restrictions in place.

A straw poll indicated the Planning Commission would be in favor of recommending Zoning Amendment #19040 (Meridian Township) to the Township Board and staff was asked to prepare a resolution recommending approval for the next meeting.

- F. Mixed Use Planned Unit Development (MUPUD) concept plan – Village of Okemos

Principal Planner Menser provided an overview and explained the concept plan is being brought before the Planning Commission for feedback before a formal plan is submitted.

Will Randall, 4409 Dobie Road, Chief Operating Officer with True North Development introduced the Village Of Okemos MUPUD Concept Plan and the other consultants working with him on the project. Mr. Randall noted he would be available for questions after the presentation being provided by Dave Magnum, a planner representing Gibbs Planning from Birmingham, Michigan.

Greg Presley with Presley Architecture of Northville, Michigan introduced himself as one of the six Architects working on the project and provided more information about the concept plan.

Gary Laundroche, 4000 West Highland Road, representing the applicant LaFontaine Automotive Group, provided an update on the project. Mr. Laundroche explained they would be creating a larger wetland to the north side of the property. He noted that when the seven foot sidewalk is added across the development the pond could pose a safety hazard due to the slope.

Public Comments: None

Planning Commission Discussion:

Commissioner Premoe asked about a timetable regarding the filling of the old pond and the mitigation of the new wetland and Mr. Laundroche told him the work would be done simultaneously.

Chair Scott-Craig noted the Environmental Commission discussed the feasible alternatives to not disturbing the wetlands for the project.

Commissioner Hendrickson suggested adding the condition of the approval by the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality for the resolution to approve.

A straw poll conducted by Chair Scott-Craig indicated the Planning Commission would like to have a resolution to approve the Wetland Use Permit #19-01 at the next meeting.

Chair Scott-Craig closed the public hearing at 7:26 P.M.

7. Unfinished Business

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- A. Zoning Amendment #19030 (Meridian Township), amend Section 86-2 of the Code of Ordinances and add Section 86-445 to establish the Commercial Medical Marihuana Facilities Overlay District.

Principal Planner Menser noted there would be a joint meeting on Tuesday, March 12, 2019 at 6:00pm with the Township Board and Planning Commission to discuss the zoning and non-zoning ordinances.

Chair Scott-Craig compiled a list of important items to tackle at the joint meeting based on the previous Planning Commission meetings, including the types of facilities, the overlay district boundaries, and the special use permit process.

Commissioner Richards expressed his concern over allowing a maximum of three growers in Meridian Township. The industrial areas noted are Saginaw/Tower, Okemos Road near the railroad tracks, Jolly Road, and Dawn Avenue off Grand River. Commissioner Richards commented three growers were too many.

Commissioner Premoe stated concerns with the number of facilities and suggested limiting the numbers to one safety compliance facility and two provisioning centers. He noted that if there are 1,000 residents in the Township who have the Medical Marihuana card it is also possible to purchase in adjacent areas such as East Lansing and Lansing.

Commissioner Hendrickson stated the list created by Chair Scott-Craig reflects the discussions from past Planning Commission meetings and that the Planning Commission may not all agree on number of licenses.

- B. Zoning Amendment #19040 (Meridian Township), amend Section 86-2 and Section 86-654 of the Code of Ordinances to add Senior Living Facilities to the list of uses permitted as non-residential uses in residential zoning districts.

Principal Planner Menser provided a summary of the staff report and the changes to the draft ordinance since it was last discussed.

Planning Commission Discussion:

Commissioner Premoe stated he would like to see a 100 foot setback for accessory buildings.

Commissioner Richards supports the 100 foot setbacks suggested by Commissioner Premoe but for a buffer regarding noise potential more so than for aesthetic reasons. Commissioner Richards suggested offering an additional requirement for accessory buildings to either have a 100 foot setback or a 60 foot setback with a double row of interlocking trees.

Motion by Commissioner Richards to recommend approval of Zoning Amendment #19040 with the additional requirement that accessory buildings meet either a 100 foot setback from a residential zoning district boundary or a 60 foot setback with a double row of interlocking trees.

Supported by Commissioner Premoe.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

YEAS: Commissioners Richards, Premoe, Trezise, Lane, Hendrickson and Scott-Craig.

NAYS: None

MOTIONED CARRIED: 6-0

- C. Rezoning #19020 (Meridian Township), rezone 1.52 acres (10 parcels) from C-1 (Commercial) to RB (Single Family-High Density) located west of Marsh Road, north of Lake Lansing Road, and east of Martinus Street.

Motion by Commissioner Hendrickson to approve Rezoning #19020.

Supported by Commissioner Trezise.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

YEAS: Commissioners Hendrickson, Trezise, Premoe, Lane, Richards and Scott-Craig.

NAYS: None

MOTIONED CARRIED: 6-0

8. Other Business

- A. 2019 PC Goals.

Chair Scott-Craig moved this item to the March 25, 2019 meeting.

6. Public Hearings - None

7. Unfinished Business



- A. Zoning Amendment #19030 (Meridian Township), amend Section 86-2 of the Code of Ordinances and add Section 86-445 to establish the Commercial Medical Marijuana Facilities Overlay District.

Principal Planner Menser provided a follow-up since the March 11, 2019 Planning Commission meeting and the joint meeting between the Township Board and the Planning Commission on March 12, 2019 to discuss the provisions of the medical marijuana zoning ordinance. Topics of discussion at the meeting included the types of facilities permitted, facility locations, and the overall process.

Planning Commission Discussion:

Chair Scott-Craig asked about the expectations for the meeting and Principal Planner Menser replied the Planning Commission will be considering a resolution to approve, modify or deny the draft ordinance amendment.

Commissioner Premoe recommended changes to the proposed districts by eliminating four of the six overlay districts and limiting the number of medical marijuana facilities to one or two. Commissioner Premoe also noted that limiting the number of facilities would not affect competitive pricing because other communities such as East Lansing and Lansing Township are located in close proximity to Meridian Township.

Commissioner Cordill stated that she thought the zoning districts should be industrial, commercial and research oriented.

Chair Scott-Craig suggested the Planning Commission discuss zoning districts first. All Commissioners agreed growing and processing facilities should only be located in Industrial zoning districts.

Commissioner Premoe suggested provisioning centers and safety compliance centers should be the only types of facilities allowed in Meridian Township.

Chair Scott-Craig suggested the safety compliance facilities should only be permitted in industrial zoning districts because the testing of the product is completed with machinery that may release organic solvents which could generate odors into the air. He further stated that not much is known about how safety compliance facilities operate.

Commissioner Shrewsbury stated she did not want to eliminate Area 5 as a potential overlay district because the district is the most isolated in the township and is zoned Research Park.

Chair Scott-Craig conducted a straw poll to approve the list as written on the screen.

Commissioner Premoe reminded everyone that of eighty communications received by residents, seventy-five opposed any type of facility and only five expressed approval.

Principal Planner Menser suggested the Planning Commission draft a separate letter to suggest the numbers of each type of facility in each district and explain the rationales behind their decisions. Planning Commission members could submit their ideas separately or as a group to the Township Board. The letter by the Planning Commissioners should not be included in the draft ordinance amendment.

- B. Wetland Use Permit #19-01 (LaFontaine Automotive Group), fill regulated wetland for development of new car dealership at 1448 Grand River Avenue.

Motion by Commissioner Lane to recommend approval of Wetland Use Permit #19-01.
Supported by Commissioner Hendrickson.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

YEAS: Commissioners Lane, Hendrickson, Shrewsbury, Cordill, Premoe and Scott-Craig.

NAYS: None

MOTIONED CARRIED: 6-0

8. Other Business

- A. 2019 PC Goals.

Chair Scott-Craig suggested keeping the 2018 Planning Commission goals for 2019 but eliminating number three, which considers policy options related to tiny housing. The Commissioners also wished to add two new goals to the existing list. Number five on the list should include revisiting Meridian 2020 Future Use Map update by going through the plans and making changes that have taken place. The other items requested included: mixed use planned unit development (MUPUD) code, signs, form based code and parking. Principal Planner Menser would like to provide introductory material at the next Planning Commission meeting.

- B. Subcommittee meetings.

Principal Planner Menser reminded the Planning Commissioners that if anyone is interested in attending classes or inviting guest speakers to inform him of their interests. He also noted the possibility of online module classes such as Citizen Planner that are self-paced and easily accessible.

9. Township Board, Planning Commission Officer, Committee Chair, and staff comments or reports -None

10. Project Updates

- A. New Applications – None
- B. Site Plans Received
 - 1. Site Plan Review #19-16-15 (Forsberg Real Estate Group LLC), construct next phase of Elevation mixed use project at 2360 Jolly Oak Road.
- C. Site Plans Approved
 - 1. Site Plan Review #19-02 (Meridian Township Engineering), construct parking lot addition at 5191 Meridian Road (North Meridian Road Park).
 - 2. Site Plan Review #19-78-11 (Delta Dental), revisions to landscape plan at 4100 Okemos Road.

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MERIDIAN
PLANNING COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

DRAFT

April 8, 2019

5151 Marsh Road, Okemos, MI 48864-1198

517-853-4560, Town Hall Room, 7:00 P.M.

PRESENT: Commissioners Lane, Scott-Craig, Hendrickson, Trezise and Richards

ABSENT: Commissioners Cordill, Premoe, and Shrewsbury

**STAFF: Director of Community Planning & Development Mark Kieselbach and
Principal Planner Peter Menser**

1. Call meeting to order

Chair Scott-Craig called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

2. Public Remarks - None

3. Approval of Agenda

Commissioner Trezise moved to approve the agenda as written.

Seconded by Commissioner Hendrickson.

VOICE VOTE: Motion approved unanimously.

4. Approval of Minutes

- A. March 25, 2019 Regular Meeting – Not available

5. Communications - None

6. Public Hearings

- A. Rezoning #19050 (Fedewa Builders), rezone approximately 1.12 acres from RR (Rural Residential) to RX (One and Two Family Residential) at 5921 and 5929 Okemos Road.

Chair Scott-Craig opened the public hearing at 7:02 P.M.

Principal Planner Menser provided a brief summary of the rezoning proposal.

There was a 5 minute recess to fix the overhead monitor at 7:10 P.M.

The applicant for Fedewa Builders, Jerry Fedewa, 5570 Okemos Road provided an overview of the proposal for the property which would include two multi-family duplexes with attached two-car garages. Mr. Fedewa noted he would be available for questions.

Public Comments:

Dennis Kelly, 5896 Okemos Road, asked a couple questions regarding Rezoning #19050. Mr. Kelly also expressed his appreciation for the work the Planning Commission does in Meridian Township.

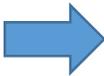
Planning Commission Discussion included the following:

- Concern about drainage and how homes to the west will be impacted.
- The character of the area, which includes single family homes and not duplexes.
- Rezoning of the property to RX would potentially allow up to 4 single family homes or 2 duplexes if the properties were divided.

A straw poll conducted by Chair Scott-Craig indicated the Planning Commission would be in favor of recommending approval of Rezoning #19050 at the next meeting.

Chair Scott-Craig closed the public hearing at 7:42 P.M.

7. Unfinished Business



- A. Zoning Amendment #19030 (Meridian Township), amend Section 86-2 of the Code of Ordinances and add Section 86-445 to establish the Commercial Medical Marijuana Facilities Overlay District.

Principal Planner Menser provided a summary of the 3 changes to the draft ordinance language since the last Planning Commission meeting on March 25, 2019.

Motion by Commissioner Hendrickson to recommend approval of Zoning Amendment #19030 with revisions.

Supported by Commissioner Lane.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

YEAS: Commissioners Hendrickson, Lane, Trezise, Richards, and Scott-Craig.

NAYS: None

MOTIONED CARRIED: 5-0

8. Other Business

- A. 2019 PC Goals.

Motion by Commissioner Trezise to adopt the 2019 Planning Commission goals.

Supported by Commissioner Richards.

VOICE VOTE: Motion approved unanimously.

- B. Content neutral sign policy.

Principal Planner Menser provided an introduction to the issue of content neutral signage. He noted sign regulations may need to be changed to reduce future legal risks based on a Supreme Court ruling in 2015.

Planning Commission Discussion included the following:

- Involvement of the Township Attorney in the ordinance review process.
- Interest in the experiences of other communities in their efforts to revise sign policies.

Principal Planner Menser said he will work with the Township Attorney to identify potential issues with size, location, and number of signs as the Township moves to address content-neutral sign regulations.

9. Township Board, Planning Commission Officer, Committee Chair, and staff comments or reports

Commissioner Richards provided an update from attending the Transportation Commission meeting on March 21, 2019 and reminded everyone there will be a special Township Board meeting on April 16, 2019 regarding the possible Road Millage and encouraged committee members to attend.

Commissioner Trezise noted his attendance at the Downtown Development Authority meeting on April 8, 2019 and provided an update.

Chair Scott-Craig announced the Michigan Association Planning Institute Spring Conference on April 25, 2019 and noted there will be many interesting topics. He encouraged any Commissioner interested in attending to contact Principal Planner Menser.

10. Project Updates

- A. New Applications – None
- B. Site Plans Received - None
- C. Site Plans Approved – None

11. Public Remarks - None

12. Adjournment

Commissioner Hendrickson moved to adjourn the meeting.

Supported by Commissioner Richards.

VOICE VOTE: Motion carried unanimously.

Chair Scott-Craig adjourned the regular meeting at 8:04 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Debbie Budzynski
Recording Secretary

RESOLUTION TO RECOMMEND APPROVAL

**Zoning Amendment #19030
Township Board**

RESOLUTION

At the regular meeting of the Planning Commission of the Charter Township of Meridian, Ingham County, Michigan, held at the Meridian Municipal Building, in said Township on the 8th day of April, 2019, at 7:00 p.m., Local Time.

PRESENT: Chair Scott-Craig, Vice-Chair Lane, Commissioners Hendrickson, Trezise, and Richards

ABSENT: Secretary Premoe, Commissioners Cordill and Shrewsbury

The following resolution was offered by Commissioner Hendrickson and supported by Commissioner Lane.

WHEREAS, the Township Board, at its meeting on December 11, 2018 initiated the zoning amendment to amend Section 86-2 and add Section 86-445 of the Code of Ordinances to establish the Commercial Medical Marihuana Facilities Overlay District; and

WHEREAS, the proposed zoning amendment would establish four designated areas in the Township where commercial medical marihuana facilities can be located; and

WHEREAS, the proposed zoning amendment identifies the zoning districts in which each of the five types of commercial medical marihuana facilities can locate, which includes grower facilities in I (Industrial) zoning districts; processor facilities in I (Industrial) zoning districts; provisioning centers in C-1, C-2, and C-3 (Commercial) zoning districts; safety compliance facilities in I (Industrial) and RP (Research Park) zoning districts, and secure transporter facilities in I (Industrial) and RP (Research Park) zoning districts; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission held a public hearing on the proposed zoning amendment at its regular meeting on February 11, 2019 and reviewed staff material forwarded under cover memorandums dated February 5, 2019, February 22, 2019, March 8, 2019, and March 22, 2019; and

WHEREAS, in addition to a State license and Township permit, all types of commercial medical marihuana facilities would be subject to approval of a special use permit from the Township Board; and

WHEREAS, the four designated overlay areas identified for commercial medical marihuana facilities will minimize incompatibilities with existing surrounding land uses; and

WHEREAS, the proposed zoning amendment is consistent with the goal established in the 2019 Community Planning and Development department plan to complete ordinances for Commercial Medical Marihuana Facilities; and

WHEREAS, the proposed zoning amendment is consistent with Goal 3 of the 2017 Master Plan to enhance the viability of Township businesses.

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NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THE PLANNING COMMISSION OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MERIDIAN hereby recommends approval of Zoning Amendment #19030, to amend Section 86-2 and add Section 86-445 of the Code of Ordinances to establish the Commercial Medical Marihuana Facilities Overlay District, subject to the following conditions:

1. The recommendation is in accordance with the revised draft ordinance language dated April 4, 2019.
2. Overlay Areas #2 and #6 are recommended for removal from the Commercial Medical Marihuana Facilities Overlay District Map.

ADOPTED: YEAS: Chair Scott-Craig, Vice-Chair Lane, Commissioners Hendrickson, Trezise, and Richards

NAYS: None

STATE OF MICHIGAN)

) ss

COUNTY OF INGHAM)

I, the undersigned, the duly qualified and acting Chair of the Planning Commission of the Charter Township of Meridian, Ingham County, Michigan, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing is a true and a complete copy of a resolution adopted at a regular meeting of the Planning Commission on the 8th day of April, 2019.

John Scott-Craig
Planning Commission Chair

Peter Menser

From: Mark Kieselbach
Sent: Wednesday, January 02, 2019 7:54 AM
To: Peter Menser
Subject: FW: For Planning Commission Meeting Packet Regarding Marijuana

Mark Kieselbach
Community Planning & Development Director kieselbach@meridian.mi.us W 517.853.4506
5151 Marsh Road | Okemos, MI 48864
meridian.mi.us

-----Original Message-----

From: Donna Rose [<mailto:wild-rose@sbcglobal.net>]
Sent: Monday, December 31, 2018 7:18 PM
To: Mark Kieselbach <Kieselbach@meridian.mi.us>
Cc: Board <Board@meridian.mi.us>
Subject: For Planning Commission Meeting Packet Regarding Marijuana

Dear Planning Commission Members,

I really feel we need to consider outcomes for all of our residents prior to allowing any marijuana operations to set up in our township. I do feel we need to have safe places for people to buy medical marijuana, but I am dismayed as to why our federal government couldn't regulate that type of purchase in a pharmacy where it belongs in order to provide safe and accurately measured distribution. Who knows the absolute right dose? People running these businesses aren't doctors. What is it about our society which prevents people from living their lives without having to always alter their consciousness? It isn't always physical pain, as we know many of us are probably eligible for a medical marijuana card and never have asked for one. And what kind of society will we be producing. I know of too many folks who do smoke marijuana who never do anything with their lives or who are absent from a lot of what they supposedly are doing. As a retired mental health therapist who worked with those with severe and persistent mental illnesses, I can attest to the fact my clients who regularly used marijuana generally struggled with their mental health recovery more than those who did not. We are supporting a lack of productivity. But I guess we will make that up in the taxes!

Just as alcohol has created a burden on our police and criminal justice system, marijuana will be no different. I have not been impressed at all with the lack of regulation of the medical marijuana process now, so I have even less confidence Michigan, or any other State, can regulate the legal form well without providing the safe guards of federal regulation. I read an article in yesterday's News or Free Press which stated in California residents are angry from the smells of fields of marijuana plants growing there. But even indoor growing is smelly. Not all of us need or want to be near this type of business. I would urge you to place these businesses away from other businesses as much as possible and don't allow the dispensaries to become cafes. Let people use their medications at home like the rest of us. You don't see people gathering to take their thyroid medication together! Medical marijuana should not be used to have a party every day. Where such operations are located, they interrupt the social atmosphere for the rest of us, and even though medical marijuana will soon be legal, it is still expensive and can cause burglaries

and break-ins. Our citizens just don't deserve these parts of the equation. I hope you are speaking with our police department to hear their take on it. By the way, I am originally from Detroit where I lived for years next door to some pretty tough characters. So I hope you will listen to my commentary here. The great tax money is only a part of the picture. I hope we can provide the right amount of help while using our capitalistic views with prudence.

Thank you for hearing my viewpoint which is shared by many.

Sincerely,
Donna Rose, LMSW-Clinical
6207 Cobblers Dr.
East Lansing 48823

Peter Menser

From: Skyline Hills Association <nitacprn@comcast.net>
Sent: Sunday, January 13, 2019 10:53 AM
To: Peter Menser
Subject: Dead Skunk Stench

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Skyline Hills Association Information on Marijuana

NYTimes.com: 'Dead Skunk' Stench From Marijuana Farms Outrages Californians

Pot is stinky!

From The New York Times:

'Dead Skunk' Stench From Marijuana Farms Outrages Californians

Nearly a year after sales of recreational cannabis began in California, residents across the state are complaining of a paralyzing stink from marijuana farms.

<https://www.nytimes.com/2018/12/19/us/california-marijuana-stink.html>

This is not an anecdotal story. This is how many communities in California are being affected and

how they are dealing with it.

The Lansing City Pulse published an article on December 12th about the actions Meridian Township has taken and upcoming Planning Commission meetings. See link below

<https://lansingcitypulse.com/article-16776-Meridian-Township-gears-up-for-medical-marijuana.html>

Members of the Meridian Township Board believe this is just a small matter...it is proving to be a BIG problem. SHA will be watchful of upcoming developments and will notify you of actions that might be needed.



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Peter Menser

From: Nita Campbell <nitacprn@comcast.net>
Sent: Sunday, January 13, 2019 3:16 PM
To: Board; Peter Menser
Subject: Articles on the problems of Marijuana Stench

Here are articles about how the stench problem has been handled.

<https://www.rollingstone.com/culture/culture-features/inside-the-high-tech-solution-for-smelly-smelly-weed-630032/>

[https://www.publichealthontario.ca/en/eRepository/Evidence Brief odours cannabis production.pdf](https://www.publichealthontario.ca/en/eRepository/Evidence%20Brief%20odours%20cannabis%20production.pdf)

<https://www.thecannabist.co/2016/04/13/marijuana-smell-denver-new-rules-grow-facilities/51862/>

These are three of many websites dealing with the odor of marijuana from growing and processing. Not only is this a problem, but also the waste removal is also a problem.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sent from my iPad

Peter Menser

From: Connie Osters <connie9080@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, January 14, 2019 6:28 PM
To: Peter Menser
Subject: Marijuana ordinance

Please DO NOT approve pot shops in our township. There are too many reasons to list!!

Meridian township is a safe welcoming community with some of the finest schools in the state. Please consider the message you are sending to our youngsters. Drive down Pennsylvania Avenue in lansing and count the little pot shops that are all dives. Why would this be acceptable in our community? I urge you to vote with a resounding NO and represent your constituents and future township residents and taxpayers.

Connie Osters

Sent from my iPhone

Peter Menser

From: Deborah Keyworth <debsarmy@aol.com>
Sent: Tuesday, January 15, 2019 5:43 PM
To: Peter Menser
Subject: Weed shops

I'd rather see a dispensary or any MJ facility in Okemos instead of the Coda apartment / townhome development . Why not put in a nice industrial hemp and smoke shop in it place ? Still no Greycliff cut thru tho ! . . Sorry I'm being a little flip . Seriously I don't see any issue with where you guys decide to put the dispensaries . Just be sure it easy access because there are many disabled people that are using it for medicinal purposes . I hope this goes thru we need to move forward with the times . Thanks

Peter Menser

From: Katie Waskiewicz <mcwaskiewicz@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, January 26, 2019 7:28 PM
To: Peter Menser
Subject: Stop Marijuana Facilities

Dear Planning Commission Members:

I was disappointed to learn that the Board of Trustees voted to authorize medical marijuana facilities in Meridian Township. I live near one of the proposed districts and am concerned this will increase crime in our neighborhoods, encourage use of this dangerous drug among our children, and increase drugged driving accidents near our homes (see this factsheet: <http://fpca.com/wp-content/uploads/2016/04/Fact-Sheet.pdf>). As a mother, I do not want to take the chance that this happens in our community.

I have asked the Board to reconsider their decision. I will be spreading the word among friends, family, and neighbors and asking them to express their opposition to the decision as well. Please do not allow this to move forward.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Katie Waskiewicz

Peter Menser

From: Missy Porterfield <mmporterfield@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, January 26, 2019 7:51 PM
To: Peter Menser
Subject: Please Do Not Allow Marijuana Facilities in My Neighborhood

Dear Planning Commission Members:

I was disappointed to learn that the Board of Trustees voted to authorize medical marijuana facilities in Meridian Township. I live near one of the proposed districts and am concerned this will increase crime in our neighborhoods, encourage use of this dangerous drug among our children, and increase drugged driving accidents near our homes (see this factsheet: <http://fpca.com/wp-content/uploads/2016/04/Fact-Sheet.pdf>). As a mother, I do not want to take the chance that this happens in our community.

I have asked the Board to reconsider their decision. I will be spreading the word among friends, family, and neighbors and asking them to express their opposition to the decision as well. Please do not allow this to move forward.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
Melisa Porterfield
6786 English Oak Drive
East Lansing

Peter Menser

From: Kenneth Burleson <keburle@icloud.com>
Sent: Saturday, January 26, 2019 8:00 PM
To: Peter Menser
Subject: Medical Marijuana Facilities in Meridian Township

Dear Planning Commission Members:

I was disappointed to learn that the Board of Trustees voted to authorize medical marijuana facilities in Meridian Township. I live near one of the proposed districts and am concerned this will increase crime in our neighborhoods, encourage use of this dangerous drug among our children, and increase drugged driving accidents near our homes (see this factsheet: <http://fpca.com/wp-content/uploads/2016/04/Fact-Sheet.pdf>).

As a father and grandfather, I do not want to take the chance that this happens in our community. I have asked the Board to reconsider their decision. I will be spreading the word among friends, family, and neighbors and asking them to express their opposition to the decision as well. Please do not allow this to move forward.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely and Respectively
Ken Burleson
The Meadows Subdivision
6543 Periwinkle Lane
East Lansing, Michigan 48823
Sent from my iPhone

MTC ENTERPRISES OF MICHIGAN INC

1135 East Alward Rd, Dewitt MI 48820

2/6/2019

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Frank Walsh
Township Manager
Meridian Charter Township
5151 Marsh Rd, Okemos MI 48864

Dear Mr. Walsh:

I previously resided in Okemos for 15 years. I was 1/3rd owner of the 17 acre parcel located at 1999 East Saginaw Hwy. We sold that property to Meridian Plumbing many years ago. Now my partners and I are interested in buying and developing the recently rezoned 5 acre parcel zoned C-2 owned by Meridian Companies, we would like to develop a retail center with a provisioning center that would front East Saginaw Hwy. The subject parcel happens to be not only adjacent to the Medial Marijuana proposed overlay district it is the only parcel that would have access to East Saginaw which for a provisioning center would be important to keep traffic on Saginaw and off Towner Rd.

I also support extending the overlay district along Towner Rd. to the west all the way to the Towner and E. Saginaw intersection. This could have a positive long-term impact in increasing demand and property values along the E. Saginaw corridor on both the north and south side of the Hwy. With the increased demand developers, the Township would gain the benefit developers helping pay for the cost of extending public utilities to the northern border as well.

In all I am firmly convinced it would help provide economic benefit to an area of Meridian Township with a lot of untapped potential and yet has been very slow to develop for the past 16-18 years since I sold the land to Meridian Plumbing.

Sincerely,



Mark Schneider

Cc: Mark Kieselbach, Community Planning and Development Director



February 8, 2019

Martin

Shawn H. O'Brien,
CCIM
Senior Vice President
Brokerage Services

Mr. Frank Walsh
Township Manager
Meridian Charter Township
5151 Marsh Road
Okemos, MI 48864

RE: Medical Marihuana District Expansion/2025 East Saginaw

Dear Mr. Walsh:

I represent Todd and Penny Setter, the owners of Barnum & Tenny Body Shop at 2025 East Saginaw. Todd and Penny are desirous of selling ±4-7.7 acres at the site.

This land could be redeveloped to create a higher and better use for the site. The property has 535' frontage on East Saginaw and over 400' frontage on Towner Road. A good portion of the south end of the property is within the 500' setback "halo" of the church located on Towner Road; however the balance of the excess property could be desirable for a developer. Several acres of frontage along East Saginaw could be rezoned to C-2, similar to what occurred at the adjacent property, at 1999 East Saginaw.

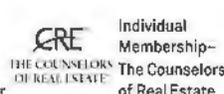
As you may be aware, as a commercial real estate professional, I am focused on selling under-utilized commercial parcels in the Township to retail users and developers, and I believe that the expansion of the Medical Marihuana Overlay District would do a lot to spur on development in this under-developed commercial corridor.

I support extending the overlay district along Towner Road west to the Towner/East Saginaw intersection so that the MM Overlay district takes advantage of the East Saginaw traffic and accessibility. I think trying to utilize Towner Road is not the best way to support expanded commercial development.

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Mr. Frank Walsh
February 8, 2019
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In my professional opinion, property values along the E. Saginaw corridor on both the north and south side of the highway would be positively impacted with the expanded overlay district. It is also likely Meridian Township would gain the benefit developers helping pay for the cost of extending public utilities to the northern border as well.

Sincerely,

MARTIN COMMERCIAL PROPERTIES

Shawn H. O'Brien, CCIM
Senior Vice President, Brokerage Services

SO/jml

cc. Todd Setter, Barnum & Tenny Body Shop
Mark Kieselbach, Community Planning and Development Director

Lynne S. Page
3912 Raleigh Drive
Okemos, MI 48864

February 11, 2019

Planning Commission
Charter Township of Meridian
5151 Marsh Road
Okemos, MI 48864

Re: Commercial Marijuana Facilities Overlay Zoning District (Opposition)

To the Planning Commission:

I am writing to express my opposition to the proposed Commercial Marijuana Overlay Zoning Districts for Meridian Township. According to the Township's website, Meridian Township is **"A destination for raising families, Meridian Township's vision is to achieve and maintain a sustainable and welcoming community with the highest quality of life for our residents."** Meridian Township has prospered because of its identity as a residential community of single-family owner-occupied homes. Unnecessarily facilitating a large number of commercial marijuana overlay zoning districts in Meridian Township will do nothing to enhance the character of our residential community or the value of our homes.

Even though Michigan has legalized certain marijuana sales, the federal government still classifies marijuana as a "Schedule 1" drug, on par with heroin. Banks that handle marijuana money can be charged with money laundering. As a result, marijuana growers, processors, and retailers must operate on a cash-only basis, which makes them targets for crime. Allowing these businesses to operate throughout our community in multiple areas raises concerns for criminal activity, public safety, and financial transparency.

According to Meridian Township Chief of Police Ken Plaga, commercial marijuana businesses will impact law enforcement operations and increase the burden on calls for service. Chief Plaga cited specific examples of Meridian Township crimes related to marijuana traffic including a 2018 double homicide. The proposed commercial marijuana overlay zoning districts will place a huge, unnecessary burden on our infrastructure and the demand for public safety services due to their number, size and geographic scope. The registration fees charged by Meridian Township are insufficient to cover associated costs for police, fire, emergency services, and road/infrastructure maintenance related to commercial marijuana businesses.

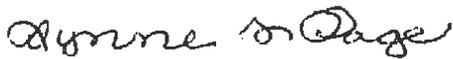
According to Michigan's Bureau of Medical Marijuana Regulation, there are 269,553 registered medical marijuana patients in Michigan, while the state's population is just over 10 million residents. Proportionally, this equates to approximately 1,068 medical marijuana patients in Meridian Township, based on current population data. Establishing 6 Commercial Medical Marijuana Overlay Zoning District within the Township is disproportional given the number of registered patients and excessive when compared to other popular, necessary, commercial and retail businesses in Meridian Township such as pharmacies, grocery stores, coffee shops, gas stations or car dealerships. Clearly, these overlay zoning districts are being created as a precursor to establishing commercial recreational marijuana businesses in Meridian Township, a potential next step already alluded to by the Township Board. There are 1,240 townships in Michigan's 83 Counties, and only 57 in the entire State of Michigan (including Meridian

Township) have opted-in to allow commercial marijuana businesses. In our tri-county area of Ingham, Clinton, and Eaton counties, the only other township to opt-in was Lansing Township, which will allow 1 testing facility and no growers, processors, transporters, or dispensaries. Meridian Township is definitely an outlier in this matter.

Considering that the contiguous communities of Lansing and East Lansing would subject marijuana businesses to income tax provides them with an economic incentive to locate in Meridian Township. It is likely that establishing 6 huge commercial marijuana overlay zoning districts within Meridian Township will trigger an avalanche of rezoning requests. Proposed Commercial Medical Marijuana Overlay Zoning Districts #5 and #6, in particular, are highly objectionable. These locations are at the gateway to Meridian Township, and their proximity to numerous schools and the I-96 expressway raises significant concerns in relation to public safety and community character.

There is no need to establish 6 Commercial Medical Marijuana Overlay Zoning Districts in Meridian Township in order to serve approximately 1,000 resident patients. Please consider the significant negative impact that these proposed commercial marijuana overlay zoning districts will have on our community and vote to limit them to a single location away from schools and the highway, and easily accessible to law enforcement.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Lynne S. Page".

Lynne S. Page

February 7, 2019

Mr. John Scott-Craig (Chair)
Meridian Township Planning Commission
5151 Marsh Road
Okemos, Michigan 48864

Re: Proposed Marihuana Overlay District

Dear Mr. Scott-Craig:

The purpose of this correspondence is to request inclusion of the property commonly known as 1999 East Saginaw Street, East Lansing, into the proposed Commercial Medical Marihuana Facilities Overlay District Area 1 of Meridian Township. The rationale behind this request varies with considerations ranging from traffic volume and site access to provision of municipal services and a handful of other influencing factors. I will attempt to underscore the validity of some as follows:

I. Existing Land Use.

A portion of the site in question was originally developed circa 1999-2000 and since that time has served the operations of the Meridian Company, a locally-owned PHVAC firm established in 1984. The balance of the parcel has essentially remained undeveloped for a variety of reasons: local and regional economic considerations, lack of municipal services (initially) and minimal adjacent commercial development.

Recently, the property owners were successful in garnering Meridian Township approvals which rezoned roughly a third of the total tract acreage from its previously-designated status of "Industrial" to one of "Commercial II" classification. This site re-configuration from a potential land use standpoint enhances its prospects as a multiple-use parcel.

II. Site Access and Traffic

This parcel currently comprises roughly 560 lineal feet of frontage along Saginaw Highway/BL-69, a four-lane divided boulevard under the jurisdiction of the Michigan Department of Transportation. The site utilizes an existing driveway on Saginaw Street itself for ingress/egress.

It should be noted here that the pair of parcels initially designated in/as Overlay District 1 terminate at the northern township boundary with Bath Township/Clinton County and do not provide for Saginaw Street access. Arguably, commercially-oriented traffic for such land usage of these parcels could only garner access/egress from either Towner Road, a narrow two/lane thoroughfare conveying primarily residential traffic OR from southbound Marsh Road near the township's boundary.

*See attachment 'A'.

III. Site Services: Municipal Sewer and Water

The referenced site is currently provided Bath Township/Clinton County sanitary sewer. This arrangement was brokered in 2011 through a joint agreement between Bath and Meridian Townships. Installation of said sewer capacity was completed of 2016 with final connections to building footprints awaiting ultimate site build-out.

In addition, plans have been submitted and approved by the engineering division of Meridian Township's Department of Public Works and Engineering for installation of municipal water to the site. Initial bids have been received by property ownership with project commencement slated for early to mid-summer of 2019. *See attachments "B" and "C"

IV. Developmental Timelines (Potential)

With site services either already provided or slated for in the near future coupled with the previously-established Saginaw Street frontage, the timeline for potential development of this site by elements of the medical marihuana industry would appear to outpace that of the other pair of properties already delineated within Overlay District 1. The pace of this potential development could translate into an accelerated licensing and/or tax revenue income stream that Meridian Township may not be realizing currently.

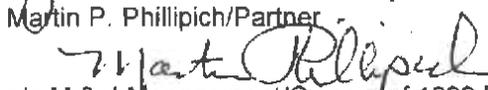
In closing, we thank the township's planning commission for providing a public forum relative to our request. In furtherance of said request we ask that a favorable recommendation be forwarded to the township board of trustees subsequent to the conclusion of the public hearing process.

Respectfully,

James E. Phillipich/Partner



Martin P. Phillipich/Partner



c/o M & J Management/Owners of 1999 East Saginaw Street, East Lansing.



Nichols Rd

Newton Rd

White

English Oak Dr

Broadview Dr

78

Trout Lake Dr

Suggested Overlay District 1

Expansion Area

E Seelinnaw St

Trout Lake Dr

Blvd 69

Center Rd

Proposed

English Oak Dr



TRAFFIC ASSESSMENT

For the Proposed

**Rezoning of 5.0 Acres
M & J Management Property**

Meridian Charter Township, Ingham County, MI

May 2018

Prepared by:

**Traffic Engineering
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PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The purpose of this study is to determine the comparison of traffic generated by the proposed rezoning of approximately 5.0 acres of property in Meridian Charter Township, Ingham County, Michigan. The proposed rezoning will be from the existing Industrial (I) District to Commercial (C-2). The project site is located on the south side of Saginaw Highway/ BL-69.

Access to the proposed development will be provided via one (1) driveway located at the existing Meridian Plumbing driveway. Saginaw Highway/ BL-69 is a divided boulevard along the frontage of the site; therefore, access to the site will be right-in, right-out only. All left turning traffic accessing the site will be required to use a nearby boulevard cross-over.

The traffic analysis will include the following items:

- Trip generation for the existing Industrial (I) District based on maximum allowable buildable area and usage.
- Trip generation for the proposed Commercial (C-2) District based on maximum allowable buildable area and usage.
- Comparison of traffic generation for the existing Industrial (I) District to the traffic generation for the proposed Commercial (C2) zoning district.
- Discussion of any potential sight distance issues





AERIAL PHOTO



ROADWAYS AND INTERSECTIONS

Saginaw Highway/ BL-69 is a four-lane divided boulevard with paved shoulders in the project area and is under the jurisdiction of the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT). The posted speed limit is 55 MPH.

LAND USE

The proposed rezoning property currently has an existing business, Meridian Plumbing, located in the northwest area of the property, and the remainder is vacant land. Surrounding zoning categories include:

- One-Family Rural Residential District (RR)
- One-Family Medium Density Residential District (RA)
- Industrial (I)
- Commercial (C-2)

EXISTING TRAFFIC VOLUMES

According to the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) website for 2015 Average Daily Traffic (ADT) volumes, the average daily traffic volume along Saginaw Highway/ BL-69 in the project area is approximately 14,300 vehicles eastbound and 14,300 vehicles westbound per day.



SITE TRAFFIC GENERATION

For the existing zoning, Industrial (I), Meridian Charter Township zoning standards allow for a building to occupy approximately forty percent (40%) of the total buildable area, which equates to 2.0 acres or 87,120 square feet of building, sometimes called the footprint of the building.

The trip generation rates for the existing and proposed zoning categories were derived from the ITE TRIP GENERATION MANUAL (10th edition). The ITE trip generation rates for General Light Industrial (Land Use Code 110) were selected as representing the 87,120 square feet of building under the existing Industrial (I) Zoning Category. The ITE description of General Light Industrial is as follows:

Light industrial facilities are free-standing facilities devoted to a single use. The facility has an emphasis on activities other than manufacturing and typically has minimal office space. Typical light industrial activities include printing, material testing and assembly of data processing equipment.

The proposed zoning, Commercial (C-2), requires a smaller allowable buildable area. Meridian Charter Township allows a one-to-five ratio (1:5) of building to buildable area (footprint), which equates to approximately 1.0 acres or 43,560 square feet of building.

The ITE trip generation rates for Supermarket (Land Use Code 850) were selected as representing the 43,560 square feet of building under the proposed Commercial (C-2) Zoning Category. The ITE description of Supermarket is as follows:

A supermarket is a free-standing retail store selling a complete assortment of food, food preparation and wrapping materials, and household cleaning items. Supermarkets may also contain the following products and services: ATM's, automobile supplies, bakeries, books and magazines, dry cleaning, floral arrangements, greeting cards, limited-service banks, photo centers, pharmacies, and video rental areas. Some facilities may be open 24 hours a day.

Significant shares of trips generated by commercial enterprises are classified as “pass-by” trips. Pass-by trips are already present in the existing traffic stream and represent trips which have other ultimate destinations which are interrupted to visit the commercial site. Pass-by trips are already “passing by” the site and therefore do not add new traffic to the adjoining street system. Pass-by trips are attracted from traffic passing the site on an adjacent street (Saginaw Highway/BL-69) that offers direct access to the generator. The pass-by trips will be subtracted from the trip generation comparison as they are already in the existing traffic on Saginaw Highway/BL-69.

According to the ITE Trip Generation Handbook, the average PM peak hour pass-by trip percentage for a “Shopping Center” is thirty-six percent (36%). The ITE Trip Generation Handbook does not provide pass-by trip percentages for the AM peak hour, or the “General Light Industrial” category.



Pass-by trips differ from primary trips. **Primary** trips are made for the specific purpose of visiting the generator. Primary trips do add new traffic to the adjoining road system.

It is projected that the existing zoning, Industrial (I), could generate 61 vehicle trips in the AM peak hour, 55 vehicle trips in the PM peak hour, and 432 vehicle trips daily.

It is anticipated that the proposed zoning, Commercial (C-2), will generate 166 vehicle trips in the AM peak hour, 410 vehicle trips in the PM peak hour of which 147 are pass-by trips, and 4,617 vehicle trips daily.

The proposed zoning (C-2) is expected to generate 105 more trips in the AM peak hour, 208 more vehicle trips in the PM peak hour, and 4,185 more vehicle trips daily when compared to the existing zoning.

The comparison of trip generation is for the 5.0 acre property is summarized in **Table 1**.



Table 1
Vehicle Trip Generation Comparison

Land Use	Size	AM Peak Hour			PM Peak Hour			Weekday
		In	Out	Total	In	Out	Total	
Existing – Industrial (I) General Light Industrial; Code 110	87,120 sq ft	54	7	61	7	48	55	432
Total Trips		54	7	61	7	48	55	432

Land Use	Size	AM Peak Hour			PM Peak Hour			Weekday
		In	Out	Total	In	Out	Total	
Proposed – Commercial (C-2) Supermarket; Code 850	43,560 sq ft	100	66	166	209	201	410	4,617
Pass-by Trips								
Land Use	Size	AM Peak Hour			PM Peak Hour			Weekday
		In	Out	Total	In	Out	Total	
Proposed – Commercial (C-2) Supermarket; Code 850	43,560 sq ft	--	--	--	75	72	147	--
Total Primary Trips		100	66	166	134	129	263	4,617

Difference in Trips	+46	+59	+105	+127	+81	+208	+4,185
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SIGHT DISTANCE

There is an existing driveway to the proposed rezoning property. A field analysis at the driveway shows that there are not expected to be problems with sight distance for vehicles either entering or exiting the driveway.

CONCLUSIONS

The findings of this study provide the following conclusions and recommendations:

- The proposed rezoning to Commercial (C-2) is anticipated to generate 105 more vehicle trips in the AM peak hour, 208 more vehicles trips in the PM peak hour and an increase of 4,185 daily (24-hour) vehicle trips.

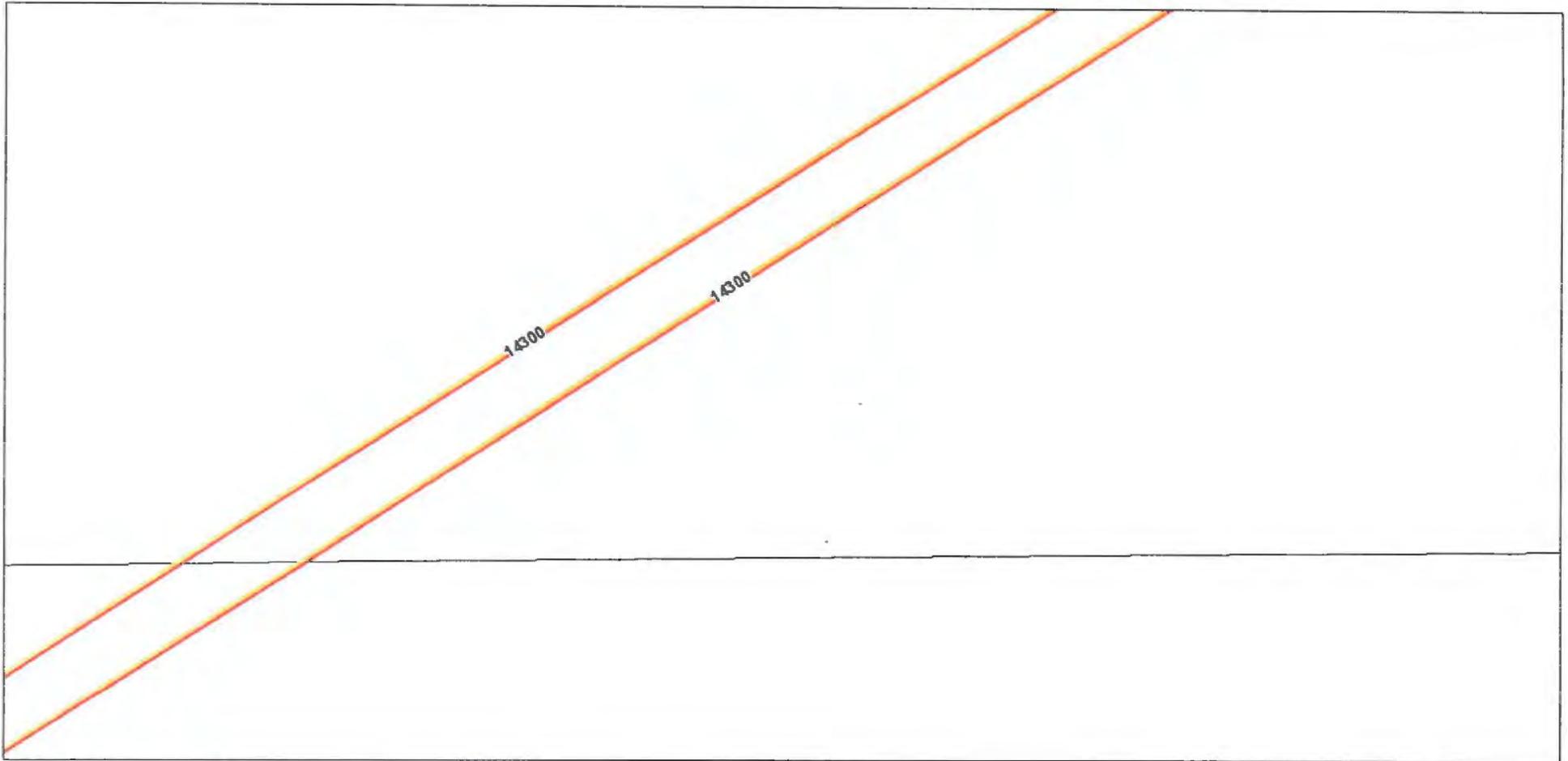


SUPPLEMENTALS

MDOT AADT Counts
Boundary Survey



NTFA



April 30, 2018

Annual Average Daily Traffic (2015)

- 0 - 2000
- 2001 - 5000
- 5001 - 10000
- 10001 - 20000
- 20001 - 50000
- 50001 - 100000

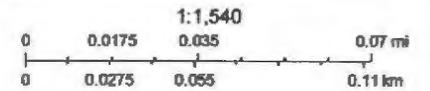
National Functional Classification

- To Be Obliterated
- Approved Future Minor Collector
- Approved Future Major Collector
- Approved Future Minor Arterial
- Approved Future Principal Arterial

- Approved Future Other Freeway
- Approved Future Interstate
- Approved Local
- Approved Minor Collector
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- Approved Other Freeway
- Approved Interstate
- NFC Local
- NFC Minor Collector
- NFC Major Collector
- NFC Minor Arterial
- NFC Other Principal Arterial

- NFC Other Freeway
- NFC Interstate
- Non Certified Road



July 19, 2011

Mr. Raymond Severy, Director
Meridian Township Public Works
5151 Marsh Road
Okemos, MI 48864-1198

Re: Meridian Plumbing Sanitary Sewer

Dear Mr. Severy:

The Bath Township Board of Trustees voted to accept Meridian Plumbing into the Township's sanitary sewer system at our regular board meeting on July 18, 2011. The Board further directed the Township Manager to work with the engineers, Meridian Township & Meridian Plumbing to draft and execute any agreements necessary to finalize this relationship.

Please feel free to contact my office if you have any questions regarding this matter.

Sincerely,

Tom Schneider, Supervisor
Bath Charter Township

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September 9, 2011

Mr. Tom Schneider, Supervisor
Bath Charter Township
P.O. Box 247
Bath, MI 48808

Re: Meridian Plumbing Sanitary Sewer

Dear Mr. Schneider:

The Meridian Township Board of Trustees adopted the enclosed resolution August 2, 2011, consenting to sanitary sewer services to Meridian Plumbing being provided by Bath Charter Township. Provision of this sewer service can proceed at any time.

Please provide Meridian Township with a copy of the plans showing the location of sanitary sewer lines on Meridian Plumbing property for our records.

Sincerely,

Raymond O. Severy, P.E.
Director of Public Works & Engineering

Enclosure

✓ Copy: Larry Stephens, P.E.

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Michigan Department of Transportation

INDIVIDUAL CONSTRUCTION PERMIT**For Operations within State Highway Right-of-Way**

Issued To:
M & J Management

1999 E. Saginaw Hwy.
East Lansing MI 48823

Contact:
Marty Phillipich
517-339-6300 Extn:303 517-204-0201(Cell)
marty@themeridianadvantage.net

Permit Number: 33043-026357-14-072816**Permit Type:** Individual Application**Permit Fee:** \$225.00**Effective Date:** Jul 28, 2016 to Jul 28, 2017**Bond Numbers:** EI 03174**Liability Insurance Expiration Date:** Feb 01, 2017**THIS PERMIT IS VALID ONLY FOR THE FOLLOWING PROPOSED OPERATIONS:****PURPOSE:**

Directional boring under B/L 69 for connection of sanitary sewer extension.

STATE ROUTE: BL-69 **TOWNSHIP OF:** Meridian **COUNTY:** Ingham County

TOWN	RANGE	SECTION
T 5 N	R 1 W	34

NEAREST INTERSECTION:	SIDE OF ROAD:	DISTANCE TO (in miles) NEAREST INTERSECTION:	DIRECTION TO NEAREST INTERSECTION:
Marsh Rd	N S	0.33	East

CONTROL SECTION:	MILE POINT FROM:	MILE POINT TO:	LOCATION:			
			LEFT	MEDIAN	RIGHT	TRANSVERSE
33043	4.920	4.920	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

REQUISITION NUMBER: **WORK ORDER NUMBER:** **MDOT JOB NUMBER:** **ORG JOB NUMBER:**



MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY
WATER BUREAU

PERMIT APPLICATION FOR WASTEWATER SYSTEMS

Construction – Alteration – Addition or Improvement as Described Herein
Required under the Authority of Part 41, Act 451, PA 1994 as amended

This application becomes a Part 41 Construction Permit only when signed and issued by authorized DEQ Staff.

INSTRUCTIONS: Complete items 1 through 32 on this form and complete the basis of design sheet after page 4 (or provide same information). Print or type all information except for signatures. Complete the Streamlined Checklist (EQP5937) for sewer projects that quality – checklist available at <http://www.michigan.gov/deg> (Water Program Wastewater Construction Page). Complete the Non Governmental Ownership Checklist (EQP-4600C) for non governmentally owned projects (checklist at end of this application). Deliver complete application, plans and specifications, and attachments to the DEQ district office having jurisdiction for the project.

REQUIRED NOTIFICATIONS: The permittee shall provide Startup Notification (just prior to excavation) including permit number and date of issuance and Completion Notification (upon completion of the project) including permit number and date of issuance to DEQ district office having jurisdiction. See form EQP-4600B at the end of the application.

PERMIT NUMBER (DEQ USE ONLY) P41000216		DATE OF ISSUANCE (DEQ USE ONLY) 19 APRIL 2016	
<p>1. Municipality or Organization, and Address which will own the wastewater facilities to be constructed. This permit is to be issued to:</p> <p>Bath Charter Township 14480 Webster Road Bath, Michigan 48808</p>	<p>Permit Stamp Area (DEQ use only)</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 10px; margin: 0 auto; width: 80%;"> <p>DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY PERMIT NUMBER <i>L.</i></p> <p><i>P41000216</i> <i>19 APRIL 2016</i></p> <p>AUTHORIZING SEWERAGE SYSTEM CONSTRUCTION IN ACCORDANCE WITH ACT 451 PA 1994, PART 41</p> </div>		
<p>2. Owner's Contact Person (provide name for questions):</p> <p>Contact: James J. Minster, PE Phone: (517) 371-1200</p>			
<p>3. Project Name (Provide phase number if project is segmented)</p> <p>M&J Properties, LLC Sanitary Sewer Service</p>	<p>4. Project Location</p> <p>Township of Bath & Meridian</p>	<p>5. County ((project location)</p> <p>Clinton</p>	

ISSUED UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

cc: Jim Minster, C2AE
CCDC
Mid-Michigan District HD

Reviewed & Issued By:
Charles M Bennett, PE, Environmental Engineer
Field Operations, Lansing District
Water Resources Division, 517-284-6659

If this box is marked see special conditions attached to this permit.

GENERAL PERMIT CONDITIONS

- a. This PERMIT only authorizes the construction, alteration, addition or improvement of the wastewater system as described herein and is issued solely under the authority of Part 41 of Act 451, PA 1994, as amended (Act)
- b. Issuance of this PERMIT does not authorize any violation of federal, state or local laws or regulations, nor does it obviate the need to obtain other permits or approvals from DEQ or other units of government as may be required by law
- c. This PERMIT expires two (2) years after the above date of issuance unless construction starts prior to the expiration date in accordance with rule 299.2939(2) of the Part 41 Rules
- d. Any portion of the herein described facilities constructed prior to the date of issuance is not authorized by this PERMIT and is a violation of the Act
- e. No sewer shall be placed into service unless and until the outlet sewer has been constructed, tested, and placed into service
- f. Failure to meet any condition of this PERMIT or any requirement of the Act constitutes a violation of the Act
- g. The applicant must provide notice of impending construction to public utilities and comply with the requirements of the Protection of Underground Facilities Act, Act 53 of the Public Acts of 1974 (MISS DIG)
All earth changing activities must be conducted in accordance with the Soil Erosion and Sedimentation Control Act, Part 91 of Act 451, PA 1994, as amended
- i. All construction activity impacting wetlands shall be conducted in accordance with the Wetland Protection Act, Part 303 of Act 451, PA 1994, as amended
- j. Intentionally providing false information in this application constitutes a violation of Section 249 of the Michigan Penal Code, 1931 Pa 328, as amended



6. **Facilities Description** In the space below provide a detailed description of the proposed project in the format shown in the examples at the bottom of this page. Applications with inadequate facilities descriptions will be returned. Use additional sheets if needed.

FACILITIES LISTING:

1. CONSTRUCTION OF 152 FEET OF 8" SANITARY SEWER DIRECTIONALLY DRILLED UNDER SAGINAW STREET (I-69 BL) NORTHEAST OF TOWNFR ROAD.
2. CONSTRUCTION OF ONE (1) SANITARY MANHOLE

THIS APPLICATION this is a resubmittal of expired permit 1007783, dated April 17, 2014. The project hasn't changed from the original design

EXAMPLES OF FACILITIES DESCRIPTIONS

Sanitary Sewers and/or Force Mains	250 feet of 10" sanitary sewer in Mark Avenue between John and Lincoln Streets. OR 250' of 10" sewer in an easement from the intersection of Mark Avenue and John Street to the north.
Pumping Stations	A (wetwell/drywell, suction lift, submersible, etc.) pumping station rated for 250 gpm at a TDH of 34' located at the northeast corner of Mark Avenue and Lincoln Street, and equipped with two pumps, backup power, pump around capability, and all other equipment as required for proper operation.
Wastewater Treatment Facilities	A 10 million gpd (avg. flow) facility located at the north end of Ronald Street including a 2.0 million gallon equalization basin, six 0.5 million gallon primary clarifiers, four 0.75 million gallon aeration basins with fine bubble aerators, four 0.8 million gallon circular secondary clarifiers, ultraviolet disinfection, and all necessary appurtenances and piping as shown on the plans and described in the specifications for the proper operation of the treatment facility to provide a discharge quality in compliance with the facility's discharge permit.



ESTIMATE

Super Construction LLC 201 Morton St Bay City, MI 48706 Phone (989) 684-8276 Luke Cell # 989-220-9315 Fax # 989-892-8891 Luke@superconst.com	DATE: 04-08-2016
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To: M & J Management 1999 E. Saginaw St East Lansing, MI 48823	Daytime Phone: 517-339-6300 Cellular Phone: Fax #	For Job Marty Phillipich Marty@TheMeridianAdvantage.net
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DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
Bid for materials and Labor Directional Drill and install 8" HDPE gravity sewer at ~ 1% Slope under Saginaw Street. Core and Seal the 8" into the existing manhole on west side of the road. Install a 48" concrete manhole on Meridian Property. Stub the 8" pipe into the manhole, with a core and seal boot. Install and a 8" pipe with a core and seal boot, leaving a couple feet of pipe for future Meridian connection	\$16,800.00
M & J Management is responsible for all permitting fees, and any Inspection fees.	
M & J Management supplies a place to dump extra dirt and mud cuttings.	
Site cleanup is as follows. We will level off the topsoil, with a rough grade. We will put a little grass seed on top, However we do not do lawn restoration and recommend M&J having a landscaper do any touch up if the grass doesn't take off, or grounds need touching up.	
TOTAL	\$16,800.00

WE PROPOSE hereby to furnish material and labor - complete in accordance with above specifications, for the sum of: 00/100 dollars (\$ _____)

All material is guaranteed to be as specified. All work to be completed in a workmanlike manner according to standard practices. Any alteration or deviation from above specifications involving extra costs will be executed only upon written orders, and will become an extra charge over and above the estimate. All agreements contingent upon strikes accidents or delays beyond our control. Owner to carry fire, tornado, and other necessary insurance. Our workers are fully covered by Workman's Compensation Insurance.

Respectively Submitted _____ Date _____

Acceptance of Proposal - The above prices, specification and conditions are satisfactory and are hereby accepted. You are authorized to do the work specified. Payment will be made as out lined above.

Signature _____
 Date of Acceptance _____ Signature _____

Super Construction
 201 Morton St
 Bay City, MI 48706

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Super Construction LLC

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December 28, 2011

Mr. Larry D. Stephens, P.E.
Stephens Consulting Services, P.C.
P.O. Box 708
Haslett, MI 48840

**Re: M & J Management LLC Property
(Meridian Plumbing Location)
Availability of Public Water Service**

Dear Mr. Stephens:

This letter is in response to your inquiry regarding the availability of public water to serve the referenced property. There is an existing 12 inch water main along the south side of Towner Road to serve all properties along and in the vicinity of Towner Road.

The Township is ready and willing to serve the M & J Management property with Township water via this existing 12 inch water main.

Sincerely,

Raymond O. Severy, P.E.
Director of Public Works & Engineering

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PERMIT APPLICATION FOR WATER SUPPLY SYSTEMS
 (CONSTRUCTION - ALTERATION - ADDITION OR IMPROVEMENT) AS DESCRIBED HEREIN
 Required under the Authority of 1976 PA 399, as amended

This application becomes an Act 399 Permit only when signed and issued by authorized Michigan Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) Staff. See instructions below for completion of this application.

<p>1. Municipality or Organization, Address and WSSN that will own or control the water facilities to be constructed. This permit is to be issued to: Meridian Charter Township 5151 Marsh Road Okemos, MI 48864-1198</p> <p>WSSN: 4260</p>	Permit Stamp Area (DEQ use only) MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY PERMIT NO. W 181065 AUG 30 2018 EXAMINED AND APPROVED FOR COMPLIANCE WITH ACT 399, P.A. 1976	
<p>2. Owner's Contact Person (provide name for questions):</p> <p>Contact: Younes Ishraidi, P.E. Title: Township Engineer Phone: (517) 853-4460</p>		
<p>3. Project Name (Provide phase number if project is segmented):</p> <p>M & J Management Watermain Extention 1999 M-78, East Lansing, MI, 48823</p>	<p>4. Project Location (City, Village, Township): Meridian Township</p>	<p>5. County (location of project): Ingham</p>

ISSUED UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

cc:

DEQ
 RESOURCE MANAGEMENT DIVISION
 JUL 31 2018
 LANSING DISTRICT

Issued by: _____

[Handwritten Signature]

Reviewed by: _____

[Handwritten Signature]

If this box is marked see attached special conditions.

Instructions: Complete items 1 through 5 above and 6 through 21 on the following pages of this application. Print or type all information except for signatures. Mail completed application, plans and specifications, and any attachments to the DEQ District Office having jurisdiction in the area of the proposed construction.

Please Note:

- This **PERMIT** only authorizes the construction, alteration, addition or improvement of the water system described herein and is issued solely under the authority of 1976 PA 399, as amended.
- The issuance of this **PERMIT** does not authorize violation of any federal, state or local laws or regulations, nor does it obviate the necessity of obtaining such permits, including any other DEQ permits, or approvals from other units of government as may be required by law.
- This **PERMIT** expires two (2) years after the date of issuance in accordance with R 325.11306, 1976 PA 399, administrative rules, unless construction has been initiated prior to expiration.
- Noncompliance with the conditions of this permit and the requirements of the Act constitutes a violation of the Act.
- Applicant must give notice to public utilities in accordance with 1974 PA 53, (MISS DIG), being Section 460.701 to 460.718 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, and comply with each of the requirements of that Act.
- All earth changing activities must be conducted in accordance with the requirements of the Soil Erosion and Sedimentation Control Act, Part 91, 1994 PA 451, as amended.
- All construction activity impacting wetlands must be conducted in accordance with the Wetland Protection Act, Part 303, 1994 PA 451, as amended.
- Intentionally providing false information in this application constitutes fraud which is punishable by fine and/or imprisonment.
- Where applicable for water withdrawals, the issuance of this permit indicates compliance with the requirements of Part 327 of Act 451, Great Lakes Preservation Act.

RECEIVED
 AUG 30 2018
 BY: _____

Permit Application for Water Systems (Continued)



Facilities Description – In the space below provide a detailed description of the proposed project. Applications without adequate facilities descriptions will be returned. SEE EXAMPLES BELOW. Use additional sheets if needed.

550 L.F. of 8" water main extension from existing 12" main along the south side of Towner Road, and along an easement north of Towner Road within a site located at 1999 M-78 (aka BL-69) ending at a fire hydrant.

EXAMPLES – EXAMPLES – EXAMPLES – EXAMPLES – EXAMPLES – EXAMPLES

Water Mains	500 feet of 8-inch water main in First Street from Main Street north to State Street. OR 250 feet of 12-inch water main in Clark Road from an existing 8-inch main in Third Avenue north to a hydrant.
Booster Stations	A booster station located at the southwest corner of Third Avenue and Main Street, and equipped with two, 15 Hp pumps each rated 150 gpm @ 200 feet TDH. Station includes backup power and all other equipment as required for proper operation.
Elevated Storage Tank	A 300,000 gallon elevated storage tank located in City Park. The proposed tank shall be spherical, all welded construction and supported on a single pedestal. The tank shall be 150 feet in height, 40 feet in diameter with a normal operating range of 130 – 145 feet. The interior coating system shall be ANSI/NSF Standard 61 approved or equivalent. The tank will be equipped with a cathodic protection system, and includes a tank level control system with telemetry.
Chemical Feed	A positive displacement chemical feed pump, rated at 24 gpd @ 110 psi to apply a chlorine solution for Well No. 1. Chlorine is 12.5% NaOCL, ANSI/NSF Standard 60 approved and will be applied at a rate of 1.0 mg/l of actual chlorine.
Water Supply Well	Well No. 3, a 200 foot deep well with 170 feet of 8-inch casing and 30 feet of 8-inch, 10 slot screen. The well will be equipped with a 20 Hp submersible pump and motor rated 200 gpm @ 225 feet TDH, set at 160 feet below land surface.
Treatment Facilities	A 5 million gpd water treatment plant located at the north end of Second Avenue. The facility will include 6 low service pumps, 2 rapid mix basins, 4 flocculation/sedimentation basins, 8 dual media filters, 3 million gallon water storage reservoir and 6 high service pumps. Also included are chemical feed pumps and related appurtenances for the addition of alum, fluoride, phosphate and chlorine.



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Okemos, MI 48864

P 517.853.4000
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July 27, 2018

Mr. Mark Joseph, P.E.
MDEQ - District Engineer
P.O. BOX 30242
Lansing, MI 48909

RE: M & J Management Water Main Extension
1999 M-78, East Lansing, MI, 48823
Sections 3, Meridian Township

Dear Mr. Joseph:

Enclosed are two sets of plans for the above referenced project. We request a permit for the following public water main improvements:

550 L.F. of 8" water main extension from existing 12" main along the south side of Towner Road, and along an easement north of Towner Road within a site located at 1999 E. Saginaw Street (aka BL-69) ending at a fire hydrant.

Should you have any questions, or wish to discuss this matter in further detail, please feel free to contact this office at 517-853-4460.

Sincerely,

Younes Ishraidi, P.E.
Chief Engineer/DPW
ishraidi@meridian.mi.us
W 517.853.4460 | F 517.853.4095
5151 Marsh Road | Okemos, MI 48864
meridian.mi.us

DEQ
RESOURCE MANAGEMENT DIVISION

JUL 31 2018

LANSING DISTRICT

Lynne S. Page
3912 Raleigh Drive
Okemos, MI 48864

February 25, 2019

Planning Commission
Charter Township of Meridian
5151 Marsh Road
Okemos, MI 48864

Re: Commercial Marijuana Facilities Overlay Zoning District (Opposition)

To the Planning Commission:

I am writing to express my opposition to the proposed Commercial Marijuana Overlay Zoning Districts for Meridian Township. According to the Township's website, Meridian Township is "**A destination for raising families, Meridian Township's vision is to achieve and maintain a sustainable and welcoming community with the highest quality of life for our residents.**" Meridian Township has prospered because of its identity as a residential community of single-family owner-occupied homes. Unnecessarily facilitating a large number of commercial marijuana overlay zoning districts in Meridian Township will do nothing to enhance the character of our residential community or the value of our homes.

- Per Michigan's Bureau of Medical Marijuana Regulation, there are 269,553 registered medical marijuana patients in Michigan. Using current population data, approximately 1,068 medical marijuana patients reside in Meridian Township. **Allowing 21 Commercial Medical Marijuana businesses within the Township is disproportional given the number of registered patients and excessive when compared to other popular, necessary, commercial and retail businesses in Meridian Township such as pharmacies, grocery stores, coffee shops, and gas stations.**
- At the February 5, 2019 meeting of the Township Board, Meridian Township Chief of Police Ken Piaga testified that commercial marijuana businesses will impact law enforcement operations and increase the burden on calls for service. Even though Michigan has legalized certain marijuana sales, it is still illegal under federal law. Banks that handle marijuana money can be charged with money laundering. As a result, marijuana growers, processors, and retailers must operate on a cash-only basis, which makes them targets for crime. **Allowing these businesses to operate throughout our community in multiple areas raises concerns for criminal activity, public safety, and financial transparency.**
- Under Michigan law, **Meridian Township cannot impose any income taxes** on its residents or businesses. The neighboring communities of **Lansing and East Lansing can** collect city income taxes from commercial marijuana facilities, so there is an economic incentive to locate in Meridian Township, where it is cheaper to do business. **It is likely that establishing 6 huge commercial marijuana overlay zoning districts within Meridian Township will trigger an avalanche of rezoning requests.**

- The adjacent City of East Lansing, whose population is 20% larger than that of Meridian Township, has established 4 small medical marijuana overlay districts. According to East Lansing's Planning and Zoning Administrator, David Haywood, most of the City's medical marijuana overlay districts cover only a few blocks, and the facilities are subject to a 1,000-foot setback from each other, and from a school, daycare, or liquor store.
- Proposed Commercial Medical Marijuana Overlay Zoning Districts #5 and #6, in particular, are highly objectionable. These locations are at the gateway to Meridian Township, and their proximity to numerous schools and the I-96 expressway raises significant concerns in relation to public safety and community character.
- Proposed Commercial Medical Marijuana Overlay Zoning Districts #2 and #3 are in close proximity to the City of East Lansing's established medical marijuana overlay district located near Costco, bounded by Park Lake, Haslett and Merritt Roads. Establishing a contiguous corridor of commercial marijuana facilities in Meridian Township and East Lansing would be detrimental to both communities.

There is no need to establish 6 huge Commercial Medical Marijuana Overlay Zoning Districts in Meridian Township in order to serve approximately 1,000 resident patients. Please consider the significant negative impact that these proposed commercial marijuana overlay zoning districts will have on our community and vote to limit them to a single location away from schools and the highway, and easily accessible to law enforcement. In addition, please establish a uniform setback of 1,000-feet from any other marijuana facility, school, religious institution/house of worship, daycare, liquor store, or residential property.

Sincerely,



Lynne S. Page

When could dispensaries open in East Lansing?

Megan Banta
 Staff Writer
 517-333-1111 ext. 304

1 1108 E. Grand River Ave. ABCD Properties, LLC
 1 1234 E. Grand River Ave. CA-East Lansing, Inc.
 1 1445 Michigan Ave. JBC, LLC
 1 1950 Merritt Rd. RJR Enterprises, LLC
 1 1318 to 2122 West Rd. Green Peak Industries, LLC

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WHEN COULD DISPENSARIES OPEN?

East Lansing's rules regarding dispensaries don't set a hard cap on the number that can operate at any one time, but do limit how close they can be to one another in four zoning areas.

Approval wouldn't mean an immediate opening, though. Most of the applications include plans for remodeling that call for at least a few months of construction.

City Councilman Eric Hayward said, "I don't know how much time for them to be opened yet in 2019."

Not all of these seven dispensaries can readily get approval to operate.

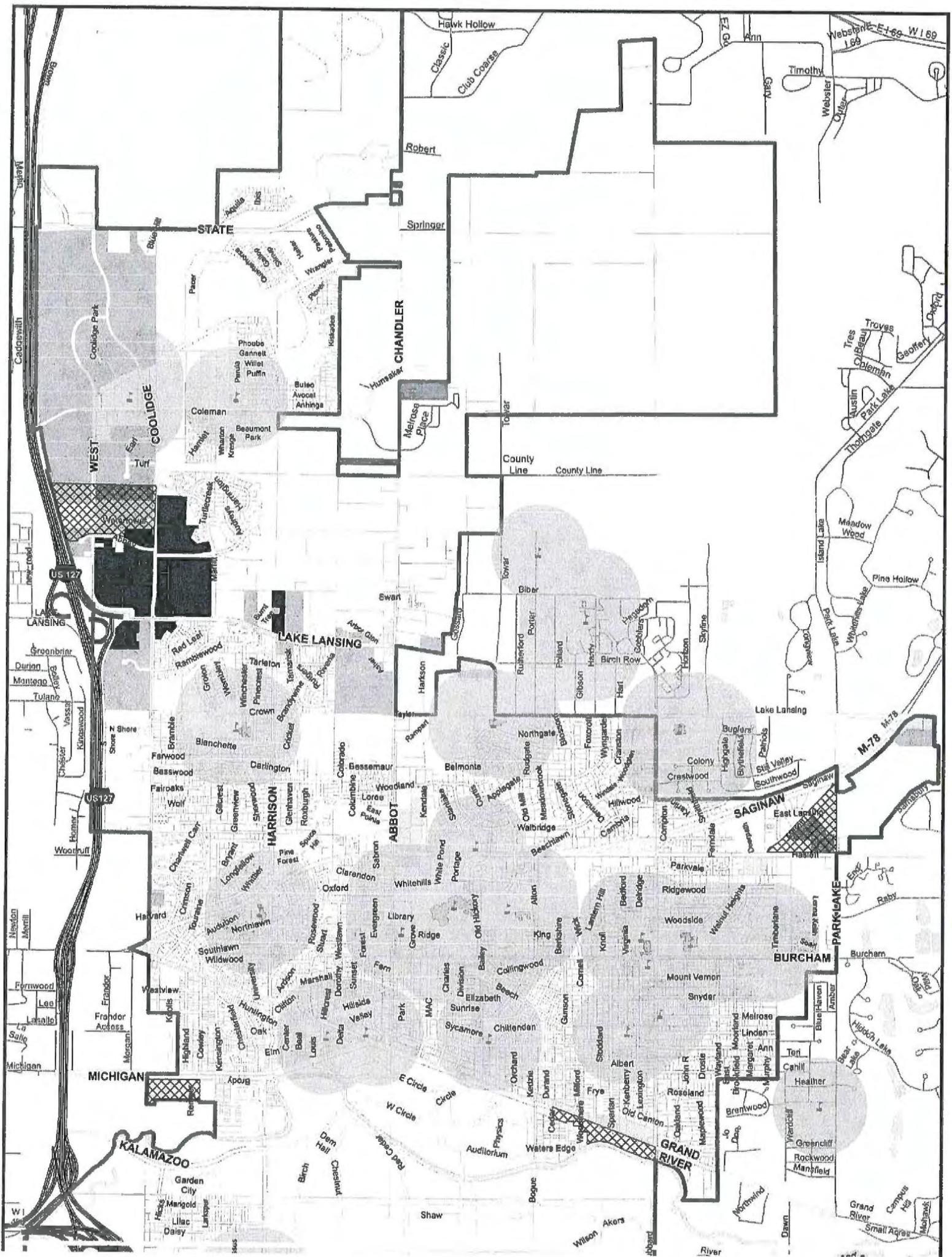
They're because the city's rules regarding dispensaries don't set a hard cap on the number that can operate at any one time, but do limit how close they can be to one another in four specially-created zoning areas known as overlay districts.

These districts include:
 1 Land zoned for "R2" retail use south of Michigan Avenue and west of Brady Road
 1 Land bounded by Abbey and Coe roads, east of U.S. 127 and south of the city office industrial park district
 1 A.A. Merritt district bounded by Hook Lake, Hartlett and Merritt Roads

1 The East Village area, including land south of Grand River Avenue between Cedar Street and Hagadorn Road
 Because the districts are small — most cover only a few blocks — and dispensaries must be at least 1,000 feet from each other and from a school, daycare or liquor store, the rules effectively limit the total number to about four.

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CITY OF EAST LANSING, MICHIGAN ZONES

Peter Menser

From: Michelle Prinz
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2019 3:13 PM
To: Mark Kieselbach; Peter Menser
Cc: Frank Walsh
Subject: FW: MEDICAL Marijuana Issues

Gloria Anderson called this afternoon and she wanted to make sure the email she sent below to the Board gets to all the Planning Commission members.

Thanks!



Michelle Prinz
Executive Assistant
prinz@meridian.mi.us
W 517.853.4258 | F 517.853.4251
5151 Marsh Road | Okemos, MI 48864
meridian.mi.us

From: gmari7 [<mailto:gmari7@comcast.net>]
Sent: Monday, February 25, 2019 10:19 PM
To: Township Board <Townshipboard@meridian.mi.us>
Subject: MEDICAL Marijuana Issues

As I sit and watch the Planning Commission meeting on February 25, 2019, many of the same questions and concerns have been raised that Township Board members have discussed but not resolved. It appears common concerns are indicative of lack of direct contact with the 3-4 actual facilities you are discussing. Before you impose this societal and cultural change on our community, you have a responsibility to know what you are asking of your taxpayers, neighbors and businesses. The blatant lack of face to face knowledge is a hinder that has gone on too long.

Ann Arbor has successfully operated Medical Marijuana facilities. These are not Pot or Head shops. There is no lingering or haven for crime. I know patients of physicians who drive to Ann Arbor for pain management as Cancer or major surgical clients. Not all doctors support this Intervention but there are many. Ann Arbor has been a desirable option versus any in the Lansing area.

The request to visit actual operating sites is in response to statements made and inaccuracies. For community members, lack of knowledge but motivation for profit is thankless, and not admirable as elected officials. You are being asked to due diligence. East Lansing and Lansing would be just as convenient. They would also be equipped to fiscally handle funds with transparency based on the Law. Townships not what we intended as voters when passing this legislation.

We'll be waiting to hear when the visitation date is scheduled.

The Planning Commission is even in more need for specificity. The Meeting surfaced many questions and the more immediate need for hands-on knowledge.

Thank you for attention.

Gloria M Attention
4565 Manitou Drive
Okemos, MI 48864

Riley Millard

From: LEV RAPHAEL <levraphael@comcast.net>
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2019 3:49 PM
To: Board
Subject: Marijuana dispensaries

To the Board:

I've been living in Okemos for over 30 years and as someone who lives with chronic pain, I support the opening of marijuana dispensaries in Meridian township.

Sincerely,

Lev Raphael

**State University of Murder
will be out April 7, 2019
"The Borgias would not be
bored at the State University
of Michigan, that snake pit
of academic politics."
New York Times Book Review**

Riley Millard

From: Kaufman, Gershen <gershk@msu.edu>
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2019 3:45 PM
To: Board
Subject: Opening Marijuana Stores

I fully support the opening of marijuana stores in Meridian Township.

Gershen Kaufman
4695 Chippewa Drive
Okemos, MI 48864

Riley Millard

From: Justin Stojsih <jstojsih722@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2019 10:53 AM
To: Board
Subject: Marijuana Provisioning Centers

Hello,

I'd like to voice my support for the approval of the proposed allowable locations for medical marijuana provisioning centers, possibly with one exception.

Location #6 is the furthest away from any police support. Since these are cash-based businesses, I worry that the distance from MTPD and ICSO, plus its quick access to the freeway make it the most likely target for robbery if such a business were put in here.

I like in the neighborhood behind this proposed location, and would otherwise support this location if there were a stronger police presence in this area.

Thanks,
Justin Stojsih
2669 Lupine Dr, Okemos

Riley Millard

From: Tze-Lan Sang <tzelan@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 5:01 AM
To: Board
Subject: Objection to marijuana in Meridian township

I object to the legalization of the growing and production of medical or recreational marijuana in Meridian township. I do not think that making the marijuana industry legal in Meridian will create a healthy environment for our children. What kind of message would we be sending to our youngsters about drug use and addiction if our township becomes a center for producing marijuana? The younger generation of today is already addicted to cell phones, video games, porn, etc. If you encourage the marijuana industry to take root in Meridian township, all our children will become the first targeted customers down the road (when medical marijuana producers apply for the license to produce recreational marijuana as well). Marijuana will become yet another addiction prevalent among our youngsters. If this happens, how will you hope to encourage students to develop a good work ethic and self-discipline? How will you hope to create productive citizens who can contribute to the economy later on in ways other than growing and selling marijuana and other drugs? This will have a long term negative impact on the economy of not only Meridian but also Michigan (and the United States). If I had known that Meridian would be in danger of becoming a center of marijuana production and of corrupting its school districts, I would not have chosen to buy a house in Okemos and pay the high property taxes. The legalization of the marijuana industry is against the long term economic interests of the majority of the families here in Meridian township. I adamantly oppose it.

Tze-lan Sang
3717 Fairhills Drive
Okemos, MI 48864

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Sent from Gmail Mobile

Riley Millard

From: Kelli Dowling <kellibd@yahoo.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 8:02 PM
To: Board
Subject: No on Pot Shops

Dear Meridian Board,

Sometimes I scratch my head when I see the things you green light (like the solar panels on that prime spot by the township hall!) but giving the okay for pot shops is a terrible idea. It wouldn't matter where you put them, I think they would be a black eye on the township. Please vote no!

Kelli Dowling

Riley Millard

From: Chengyin Yao <chengyiny@hotmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 10:21 PM
To: Board
Subject: Marijuana Stores Should Not Be Opened

To Whom It May Concern,

My name is Chelsea Yao and I live in Okemos. I work as a registered Pharmacist with two school aged children, 12 and 17 years old. Regarding the new proposal on marijuana, I strongly disagree with opening Marijuana stores in Meridian township for the following reasons:

1. It will lower the quality of our community.
2. It will make the city unsafe.

We live in a school district with a strong educational programs. The existence of marijuana stores would impose a poor impression on our community, affecting real estate prices, causing our homes values to go down. Okemos would lose attraction to the wealthy. I do not wish our community to be viewed as a cheap place.

If we allow marijuana stores to be opened, it would be difficult to control the amount of consumers purchasing products. I do not wish for drugs to have a negative effect on our community. Slowly our community would become unsafe, and people would start moving out.

Okemos is mainly a resident community for long-term living and raising children, with few big companies and businesses. We should protect the safety and health of our schools as a priority. Opening a marijuana store would impose a negative impression on our children. I'm afraid this would influence our children to inhabitant the drug.

To satisfy a small group of people with marijuana needs, we would be sacrificing our community's high reputation. On niche, okemos is ranked as the #4 best place to live in United States. I wish for the upward progress of our community.

<https://www.lansingstatejournal.com/story/life/2017/04/21/okemos-ranked-no-4-best-places-live/100750394/>

While I understand and respect the need of others in my community who seek marijuana, I believe the opening of marijuana stores in a public busy area would have a negative impact on our community as a whole and the impression on our children growing up.

I know you have worked hard to improve our community, and I believe in the future you will continue to make Meridian Township a better place to live. My family and I thank you for your efforts towards our community.

Sincerely,

Chelsea Yao

Riley Millard

From: Mei You <youmei@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 11:12 PM
To: Board
Subject: Marijuana Stores Should Not Be Opened in Meridian Township

To Whom It May Concern,
My name is Mei You. I strongly disagree with opening Marijuana stores in Meridian township for the following reasons:

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Sincerely,

Mei You

2690 Morning Glory Dr.
Okemos, MI, 48864

Riley Millard

From: Qun Liu <lq_msu@yahoo.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 11:31 PM
To: Board
Subject: Marijuana Stores Should Not Be Opened In Meridian Township

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To Whom It May Concern,

My name is Qun Liu. I strongly disagree with opening Marijuana stores in Meridian township for the following reasons:

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Sincerely,

Qun Liu

My contact information and home address:
lq_msu@yahoo.com
616-777-7388

2690 Morning Glory Dr.
Okemos, MI 48864

Riley Millard

From: Cathy Liu <cathylu9513@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2019 10:39 AM
To: Board
Subject: strong concerns about Meridian Township marijuana zoning

Dear Meridian Township Board,

I am a Professor of Sociology at Michigan State University and currently a resident in Okemos. I write to express my strong concerns about the recent Meridian Township marijuana zoning ordinances.

I've been living in Okemos for 10 years and really feel proud of our community and neighborhood. Our family choose to live in Okemos because of its high quality schools and family friendly communities. The Township's recent marijuana zoning ordinances really raised concerns for our family (and also, I believe, many other families who share our values). I understand the appeared short-term economic benefit that marijuana business is assumed to bring to the Township. However, I believe in the long-run, it will destroy our community's tradition, known for its family friendly atmosphere. It will increase our kids' exposure and access to marijuana, which is the worst thing I want to see as a mom with two young school-age sons. It may also affect the safety of our neighborhood due to the very likely increased rate of illegal marijuana use. Seriously, the marijuana business is the biggest reason now for our family to consider moving out of this area because we want our kids to be raised in a safe and friendly environment. I believe there are other families like us who share our concerns. More families with kids may move out which may hurt the housing market and economy of Okemos in a long-run.

I sincerely hope you could seriously consider our concerns. I know many families with kids have similar concerns. Please keep marijuana away from our kids and our neighborhood! Thank you for helping us make a difference in our community!

Respectfully,
Hui Liu
Home address: 1338 Spicewood Dr. Okemos

Riley Millard

From: Lin Li <lilin713@hotmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2019 11:04 AM
To: Board
Subject: Marijuana Zoning

Dear Meridian Township Board,

I am Lin Li and currently a resident of Okemos. I write to express my strong concerns regarding the recent Meridian Township marijuana zoning ordinances.

I've been living in Okemos for 4 years and really love our community and neighborhood. Our family choose to live in Okemos for its high quality schools and family friendly communities. The Township's recent marijuana zoning ordinances really raised concerns for our family (and also, I believe, many other families who share our values). I understand the appeared short-term economic benefit that marijuana business is assumed to bring to the Township. However, I believe in the long-run, it will destroy our community's tradition, known for its family friendly atmosphere. It will increase our kids' exposure and access to marijuana, which is the last thing I would like to see as a mom of two young kids. It will also affect the safety of our neighborhood due to the very likely increased rate of illegal marijuana use. Seriously, the marijuana business is the biggest reason now for our family to consider moving out of this area. Because we want our kids to be raised in a safe and friendly environment. I believe there are lots of other families share our concerns. More families with kids may move out which may hurt the housing market and economy of Okemos in a long-run.

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Respectfully,
Lin Li
Home address: 5223 Madison Ave, Apt B10, Okemos

Riley Millard

From: Xia, Qing <xiaqing@msu.edu>
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2019 11:04 AM
To: Board
Subject: Planting & selling marijuana in the community

Dear Board,

I'm writing to you to express my deep concern of planting and selling marijuana in our community. I hope the board take cautious measures to make sure that our children and families will not be affected by these activities. I'm against legalization of marijuana.

Thanks for your consideration.

Qing Xia
Home address: 5305 Thames Dr., Haslett, MI 48840

Riley Millard

From: Liao, Wei <liaow@msu.edu>
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2019 11:06 AM
To: Board
Subject: about new Marijuana store near Okemos high school

Importance: High

To Whom It May Concern:

I am Wei Liao, and a resident of Meridian township. My home address is: 1264 Sweetwood Dr. Okemos, MI 48864.

I just learned that there is a plan to open a new Marijuana store near Okemos high school. I have to let you know my strong voice against such a plan. I am the father of two daughters (one of them is in Okemos high). Passing the proposal 1 is already a very bad thing. What are we trying to do here? Spreading the drugs in our high school? I DO NOT think so. As a member of Okemos community, my response is a BIG NO to this plan.

Please consider our voice once you make the decision.

Thanks

Wei

Wei Liao, Ph.D., P.E.
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Anaerobic Digestion Research and Education Center Department of Biosystems & Agricultural Engineering Michigan
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Homepage: <http://www.egr.msu.edu/liao>
ADREC Website: <http://www.egr.msu.edu/bae/adrec/>

Riley Millard

From: Yanshuo Wang <yanshuo48108@yahoo.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2019 11:11 AM
To: Board
Subject: Marijuana Stores Should Not Be Opened In Meridian Township

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To Whom It May Concern,

My name is Yanshuo Wang. I strongly disagree with opening Marijuana stores in Meridian township for the following reasons:

It will lower the quality of our community.

It will make the city unsafe.

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Sincerely,

Yanshuo Wang
734 927 2072
3566 Hyacinth St..

Riley Millard

From: Peng, Taiquan <pengtaiq@msu.edu>
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2019 11:27 AM
To: Board
Subject: Concern about Meridian Township Marijuana Zoning Ordinance

Dear Meridian Township Board,

I am Taiquan Peng and currently a resident in Okemos. I write to express my strong concerns about the recent Meridian Township marijuana zoning ordinances.

I've been living in Okemos for 2 years and really feel proud of our community and neighborhood. Our family choose to live in Okemos because of its high quality schools and family friendly communities. The Township's recent marijuana zoning ordinances really raised concerns for our family (and also, I believe, many other families who share our values). I understand the appeared short-term economic benefit that marijuana business is assumed to bring to the Township. However, I believe in the long-run, it will destroy our community's tradition, known for its family friendly atmosphere. It will increase our kids' exposure and access to marijuana, which is the worst thing I want to see as a father with two young school-age kids. It may also affect the safety of our neighborhood due to the very likely increased rate of illegal marijuana use. Seriously, the marijuana business is the biggest reason now for our family to consider moving out of this area because we want our kids to be raised in a safe and friendly environment. I believe there are other families like us who share our concerns. More families with kids may move out which may hurt the housing market and economy of Okemos in a long-run.

I sincerely hope you could seriously consider our concerns. I know many families with kids have similar concerns. Please keep marijuana away from our kids and our neighborhood! Thank you for helping us make a difference in our community!

Respectfully,

Taiquan Peng
Home address: 1392 Silkwood Dr, Okemos

Riley Millard

From: Gang Teng <tenggang@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2019 11:33 AM
To: Board
Subject: marijuana facilities plan

Hi meridian township board members,

My name is Gang Teng, and I live in College Fields with my wife and daughter. This week we received the below plan from a friend and was told the red-circled areas are to be proposed/planned for marijuana facilities.

I'm writing this email to express our strong against towards this plan. We live right between #5 and #6 and both of them are very close to schools - Bennett Woods elementary school and Okemos High School. These are all good schools in the area and good schools not only provide great education but also offer a safe environment for the kids.

However by looking at the plan, #6 is getting into the 500 radius of the Church and just a few blocks away from Okemos high school. Bennett Woods elementary school is also not far from #5 plat neither.

With those facilities being so close to the schools, we're deeply concerned that the kids will be exposed to marijuana, before they'd be able to take independent decisions on this matter.

5&6 would have the most direct impact on our family but the others are not better. they're all either close to the residential areas or in the middle of the city. The designated 500/1000ft buffer doesn't provide any isolation/shield from important functioning facilities such as churches/libraries at all. it's literally walking distance.

With full respect to people who need access to those facilities, we, who don't like the access , shall also be considered and respected.

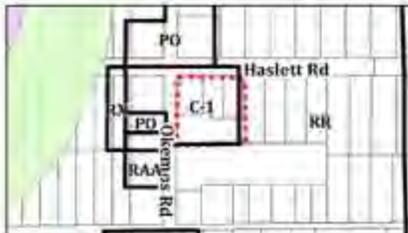
Those facilities should be planned in more rural areas with less residential exposure, certainly not within walking distance. Within a reasonable driving distance, people can still get access to them and in the meanwhile, for people who don't like it, there is still enough buffer zone and we will not be so concerned that our kids can just walk into those facilities.

We're urging the township board to consider our concerns and replan it.

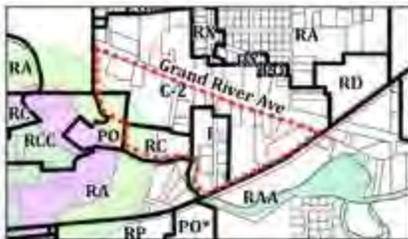
Best Regards,
Gang



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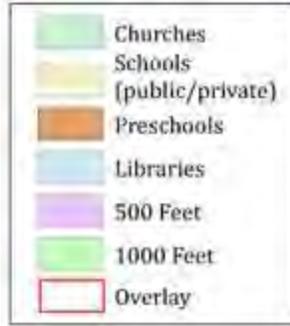
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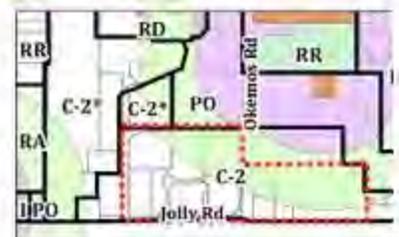
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Riley Millard

From: Li, Xiaoshi <xli@msu.edu>
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2019 11:45 AM
To: Board
Subject: Strong Concern about Marijuana Zoning Ordinances

Dear Meridian Township Board,

I am Xiaoshi Li, an associate professor of Chinese at Michigan State University. I am currently a resident in Okemos, living on 3852 Baulistrol Drive of College Fields. I am writing to express my strong concerns about the recent Meridian Township marijuana zoning ordinances.

We have lived in Okemos school district for 11 years and really feel proud of our community and neighborhood. We choose to live in Okemos because of its high quality schools and family friendly communities. The recent marijuana zoning ordinances in Meridian Township really raised our extremely strong concerns for our families and children. Although there appears to be some short-term financial benefits that marijuana business is supposed to bring, I strongly believe that long-term damage will definitely happen to the community's family-friendly tradition. It will drastically increase our kids' and residents' exposure and access to marijuana and relevant crimes. This is the worst thing I want to see as a mom of two young school-aged children. It will also affect the safety of our neighborhood due to the very likely increased rate of illegal marijuana use. Seriously, the marijuana business is the biggest reason now for our family to consider moving out of this area because we want our kids to be raised in a safe and friendly environment. I believe there are other families like us who share our concerns. More families may move out which may hurt the housing market and economy of Okemos in a long run.

I sincerely hope you could seriously consider our concerns. I know many many families with kids share similar concerns. Please keep marijuana away from our children and our neighborhood! Thank you for helping us make a difference in our community!

Respectfully,

Xiaoshi Li
Home address: 3852 Baulistrol Drive, Okemos, MI

Riley Millard

From: Tina Zhuang <Zhuangy@uadv.msu.edu>
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2019 12:15 PM
To: Board
Subject: Marijuana

Dear Meridian Township Board:

I am Yitian Zhuang, an Okemos resident of fourteen years. I write this message to express my strong concerns about the recent ordinance and vote No to the current board members in the next election if it is approved by Meridian Township this Friday.

I have served as the board member in Okemos Education Foundation and was the treasurer of Chippewa Middle School PTO. I am a High School Music Patron. I am a full time MSU staff working at MSU Alumni Association. The reason why I sacrifice my spare time to serve the community and felt blessed to have my daughter in Okemos Public School system for high quality of learning resources and safe environment. I understand the importance of marijuana usage, but the location of production and sale should not close to our school and our neighborhoods. You do not think our township needs to open marijuana stores in financial need. More families have moved to Meridian Township in the past few years and the township does not have any excuses to open marijuana stores but greedy and short-vision of your board members. During the past few years, you might be a parent, a grandparent, a uncle/aunt of an Okemos child, please image the pain when losing your loved one because of marijuana usage.

I live in 1200 Starboard Dr. in Okemos, MI. 48864. My full name is Yitian Zhuang. I look forward to hearing from you soon about the ordinance and prevent our community from crimes.

Thanks,

Yitian Zhuang

Yitian (Tina) Zhuang

Accountant

MSU Alumni

535 Chestnut, Room 300 | E. Lansing, MI 48824

Phone: 517.884.4564

zhuangy@msu.edu

Riley Millard

From: Yun Cao <micaoyun@icloud.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2019 12:25 PM
To: Board
Subject: Against Meridian Township marijuana zoning ordinances

Dear Meridian Township Board,

I am Yun Cao and currently a resident in Okemos. I write to express my strong concerns about the recent Meridian Township marijuana zoning ordinances.

We moved to Okemos almost two years. Before we moved here, we did lots of search and decided to live in Okemos. We are currently building our home in Okemos. Our family choose to live in Okemos because of its high quality schools and family friendly communities. The Township's recent marijuana zoning ordinances really raised concerns for our family (and also, I believe, many other families who share our values). I understand the appeared short-term economic benefit that marijuana business is assumed to bring to the Township. However, I believe in the long-run, it will destroy our community's tradition, known for its family friendly atmosphere. It will increase our kids' exposure and access to marijuana, which is the worst thing I want to see as a mom with two young school-age sons. It may also affect the safety of our neighborhood due to the very likely increased rate of illegal marijuana use. Seriously, the marijuana business is the biggest reason now for our family to consider moving out of this area because we want our kids to be raised in a safe and friendly environment. I believe there are other families like us who share our concerns. More families with kids may move out which may hurt the housing market and economy of Okemos in a long-run.

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Respectfully,
Yun Cao
Home address:
1445 E Pond Dr. Apt 33
Okemos, MI 48864

Riley Millard

From: Yan liu <susieyanliu@yahoo.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2019 12:29 PM
To: Board
Subject: Please keep marijuana away from our kids and our neighborhood

Dear Meridian Township Board,

I am Yan Liu and currently a resident in Okemos. I write to express my strong concerns about the recent Meridian Township marijuana zoning ordinances.

I've been living in Okemos for 12 years and really feel proud of our community and neighborhood. Our family choose to live in Okemos because of its high quality schools and family friendly communities. The Township's recent marijuana zoning ordinances really raised concerns for our family (and also, I believe, many other families who share our values). I understand the appeared short-term economic benefit that marijuana business is assumed to bring to the Township. However, I believe in the long-run, it will destroy our community's tradition, known for its family friendly atmosphere. It will increase our kids' exposure and access to marijuana, which is the worst thing I want to see as a mom with two young school-age daughters. It may also affect the safety of our neighborhood due to the very likely increased rate of illegal marijuana use. Seriously, the marijuana business is the biggest reason now for our family to consider moving out of this area because we want our kids to be raised in a safe and friendly environment. I believe there are other families like us who share our concerns. More families with kids may move out which may hurt the housing market and economy of Okemos in a long-run.

I sincerely hope you could seriously consider our concerns. I know many families with kids have similar concerns. Please keep marijuana away from our kids and our neighborhood! Thank you for helping us make a difference in our community!

Respectfully,
Yan Liu
Home address: 1264 Sweetwood Drive, Okemos, MI 48864

Sent from my iPhone

Riley Millard

From: Yunyan Shen <shenp86@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2019 12:37 PM
To: Board
Subject: object to plant Marijuana in Okemos

Dear Meridian township Board,

As a family living in Okemos, for our kids and families, we plea you to object planting marijuana in our city Okemos. Really appreciate for your act for the future of our town.

Yunyan Shen
3979 E Sunwind Dr
Okemos,MI,48864

Riley Millard

From: Wei Peng <pengweikaren@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2019 12:38 PM
To: Board
Subject: Oppose marijuana business

Dear Meridian Township board members

My name is Wei Peng and our family moved to Okemos last fall (2520 Kevern Way, Okemos, MI). The news that the township plans to expand business in marijuana is disbursing. I am all for medical Marijuana and it is important for individuals who are in need. However, is it really necessary to open 6 shops in our small township? Food delivery and grocery delivery are widely available now and I do not see why it is necessary to open that many marijuana shops so that people can conveniently walk to the shop to purchase it. The idea of future marijuana plantations or processing centers is even more disturbing. We pay high property tax in Okemos in exchange for good school and tranquility, not the hustle and bustle of Cannabis business. Please think about the residents and children when you make this decision.

Sincerely

Wei Peng

Sent from my iPhone

Riley Millard

From: Charlie Yang <charley789@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2019 12:39 PM
To: Board
Subject: Please vote NO for "opening marijuana stores in Okemos"

Dear Sir/Madam,

I come to know that the Meridian township considers opening marijuana stores in Okemos, so I want to make my voice to be heard clearly. Please vote NO to this!!!! absolutely NO marijuana stores in Okemos and its neighborhood! We have lived in this beautiful city for nearly twenty years, and love people, schools, and diverse living environment, and most importantly excellent place to raise kids. We hope that the city is kept this way or getting better. I am strongly against the marijuana stores because of the following reasons:

- 1) bad to mental health
- 2) bad to physical health
- 3) not proven to be good for people
- 4) mess up kids' growing up and lives.
- 5) there are alternatives to marijuana for people who need this or medical prescription on marijuana
- 6) people can easily get addictive to it

Thank for reading my letter and taking it for consideration!

Changlai Yang
1805 Yosemite Drive
Okemos.

Riley Millard

From: Henry Chen <hchen168@hotmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2019 12:44 PM
To: Board
Subject: Strongest possible opposition to opioid business in our communities.

Dear Meridian Township Board,

My name Honglei Chen and I moved to Okemos about 3 years ago to take my professorship position at MSU. I write to express my strong concerns about the recent Meridian Township marijuana zoning ordinances.

I am a public health scientist and tremendously concern about the physical, mental, financial, and societal impacts of additive behaviors, including opioid use. The presumed short-term financial benefit is nothing compared to its long-term harm. It will destroy our community and the next generations to come. It will increase our kids' exposure and access to marijuana, which is the worst thing you want to see as a parent. It may also affect the safety of our neighborhood due to the very likely increased rate of illegal marijuana use. Seriously, the marijuana business is the biggest reason now for our family to consider moving out of this area because we want our kids to be raised in a safe and friendly environment. I believe there are other families like us who share our concerns. More families with kids may move out which may hurt the housing market and economy of Okemos in a long-run.

I sincerely hope you could seriously consider our concerns. I know many families with kids have similar concerns. Please keep marijuana away from our kids and our neighborhood! Thank you for helping us make a difference in our community!

Respectfully,
Honglei Chen, Spring Lake

Riley Millard

From: jane li <jiae48108@yahoo.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2019 12:55 PM
To: Board
Subject: Marijuana stores should not be opened in okemos

Dear Meridian Township Board,

I am Jane Li and currently a resident in Okemos. I write to express my strong concerns about the recent Meridian Township marijuana zoning ordinances.

I've been living in Okemos for 8 years and really feel proud of our community and neighborhood. Our family choose to live in Okemos because of its high quality schools and family friendly communities. The Township's recent marijuana zoning ordinances really raised concerns for our family (and also, I believe, many other families who share our values). I understand the appeared short-term economic benefit that marijuana business is assumed to bring to the Township. However, I believe in the long-run, it will destroy our community's tradition, known for its family friendly atmosphere. It will increase our kids' exposure and access to marijuana, which is the worst thing I want to see as a mom with two young school-age sons. It may also affect the safety of our neighborhood due to the very likely increased rate of illegal marijuana use. Seriously, the marijuana business is the biggest reason now for our family to consider moving out of this area because we want our kids to be raised in a safe and friendly environment. I believe there are other families like us who share our concerns. More families with kids may move out which may hurt the housing market and economy of Okemos in a long-run.

I sincerely hope you could seriously consider our concerns. I know many families with kids have similar concerns. Please keep marijuana away from our kids and our neighborhood! Thank you for helping us make a difference in our community!

Respectfully,
Jane Li
Home address: 3566 hyacinth, okemos, mi 48864

[Sent from Yahoo Mail for iPhone](#)

Riley Millard

From: He, Guangming <heguangm@msu.edu>
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2019 12:57 PM
To: Board
Subject: we don't need anything related to marijuana in our community

Dear Meridian Township Board,

I am Guangming He and currently a resident in Okemos. I write to express my strong concerns about the recent Meridian Township marijuana zoning ordinances.

I've been living in Okemos for 10+ years and really feel proud of our community and neighborhood. Our family choose to live in Okemos because of its high quality schools and family friendly communities. The Township's recent marijuana zoning ordinances really raised concerns for our family (and also, I believe, many other families who share our values). I understand the appeared short-term economic benefit that marijuana business is assumed to bring to the Township. However, I believe in the long-run, it will destroy our community's tradition, known for its family friendly atmosphere. It will increase our kids' exposure and access to marijuana, which is the worst thing I want to see as a mom with two young school-age sons. It may also affect the safety of our neighborhood due to the very likely increased rate of illegal marijuana use. Seriously, the marijuana business is the biggest reason now for our family to consider moving out of this area because we want our kids to be raised in a safe and friendly environment. I believe there are other families like us who share our concerns. More families with kids may move out which may hurt the housing market and economy of Okemos in a long-run.

I sincerely hope you could seriously consider our concerns. I know many families with kids have similar concerns. Please keep marijuana away from our kids and our neighborhood! Thank you for helping us make a difference in our community!

Respectfully,

Guangming He

Home address: 2550 Lupine Ct., Okemos MI

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Riley Millard

From: Qing Zhou <qing.zhou1205@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2019 1:01 PM
To: Board
Subject: we don't need anything related to marijuana in our community

Dear Meridian Township Board,

I am Qing Zhou and currently a resident in Okemos. I write to express my strong concerns about the recent Meridian Township marijuana zoning ordinances.

I've been living in Okemos for 10+ years and really feel proud of our community and neighborhood. Our family choose to live in Okemos because of its high quality schools and family friendly communities. The Township's recent marijuana zoning ordinances really raised concerns for our family (and also, I believe, many other families who share our values). I understand the appeared short-term economic benefit that marijuana business is assumed to bring to the Township. However, I believe in the long-run, it will destroy our community's tradition, known for its family friendly atmosphere. It will increase our kids' exposure and access to marijuana, which is the worst thing I want to see as a mom with two young school-age sons. It may also affect the safety of our neighborhood due to the very likely increased rate of illegal marijuana use. Seriously, the marijuana business is the biggest reason now for our family to consider moving out of this area because we want our kids to be raised in a safe and friendly environment. I believe there are other families like us who share our concerns. More families with kids may move out which may hurt the housing market and economy of Okemos in a long-run.

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Respectfully,

Qing Zhou

Home address: 2550 Lupine Ct., Okemos MI

Riley Millard

From: linping xing <paperink13@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2019 1:02 PM
To: Board
Subject: Against marijuana zoning

Dear Meridian Township Board,

I am Ping xing and currently a resident in Okemos. I write to express my strong concerns about the recent Meridian Township marijuana zoning ordinances.

I've been living in Okemos over 20 years and really feel proud of our community and neighborhood. Our family choose to live in Okemos because of its high quality schools and family friendly communities. The Township's recent marijuana zoning ordinances really raised concerns for our family (and also, I believe, many other families who share our values). I understand the appeared short-term economic benefit that marijuana business is assumed to bring to the Township. However, I believe in the long-run, it will destroy our community's tradition, known for its family friendly atmosphere. It will increase our kids' exposure and access to marijuana, which is the worst thing I want to see as a mom, It may also affect the safety of our neighborhood due to the very likely increased rate of illegal marijuana use. Seriously, the marijuana business is the biggest reason now for our family to consider moving out of this area because we want our kids to be raised in a safe and friendly environment. I believe there are other families like us who share our concerns. More families with kids may move out which may hurt the housing market and economy of Okemos in a long-run.

I sincerely hope you could seriously consider our concerns. I know many families with kids have similar concerns. Please keep marijuana away from our kids and our neighborhood! Thank you for helping us make a difference in our community!

Respectfully,
Ping xing
Home address: 2166 longleaf trl.

Sent from my iPhone

Riley Millard

From: 13683050951 <13683050951@139.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2019 1:05 PM
To: Board
Subject: Against Marijuana!

Dear Meridian Township Board,

I am Zhinong Yan, and currently a resident in Okemos. I write to express my strong concerns about the recent Meridian Township marijuana zoning ordinances.

I've been living in Okemos for more than 10 years and really feel proud of our community and neighborhood. Our family choose to live in Okemos because of its high quality schools and family friendly communities. The Township's recent marijuana zoning ordinances really raised concerns for our family (and also, I believe, many other families who share our values). I understand the appeared short-term economic benefit that marijuana business is assumed to bring to the Township. However, I believe in the long-run, it will destroy our community's tradition, known for its family friendly atmosphere. It will increase our kids' exposure and access to marijuana, which is the worst thing I want to see as a mom with two young school-age sons. It may also affect the safety of our neighborhood due to the very likely increased rate of illegal marijuana use. Seriously, the marijuana business is the biggest reason now for our family to consider moving out of this area because we want our kids to be raised in a safe and friendly environment. I believe there are other families like us who share our concerns. More families with kids may move out which may hurt the housing market and economy of Okemos in a long-run.

I sincerely hope you could seriously consider our concerns. I know many families with kids have similar concerns. Please keep marijuana away from our kids and our neighborhood! Thank you for helping us make a difference in our community!

Respectfully,
Zhinong Yan
Home address: 1363 Sebewaing Rd, Okemos MI 48864

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Riley Millard

From: Ying Yan <yingyan217@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2019 1:08 PM
To: Board
Subject: Marijuana stores SHOULD NOT be opened

Dear Meridian Township Board,

I am Ying Yan and currently a resident in Haslett. I write to express my strong concerns about the recent Meridian Township marijuana zoning ordinances.

I've been living in Meridian Township for 10 years and really feel proud of our community and neighborhood. Our family choose to live here because of its high quality schools and family friendly communities. The Township's recent marijuana zoning ordinances really raised concerns for our family (and also, I believe, many other families who share our values). I understand the appeared short-term economic benefit that marijuana business is assumed to bring to the Township. However, I believe in the long-run, it will destroy our community's tradition, known for its family friendly atmosphere. It will increase our kids' exposure and access to marijuana, which is the worst thing I want to see as a mom with two young sons. It may also affect the safety of our neighborhood due to the very likely increased rate of illegal marijuana use. Seriously, the marijuana business is the biggest reason now for our family to consider moving out of this area because we want our kids to be raised in a safe and friendly environment. I believe there are other families like us who share our concerns. More families with kids may move out which may hurt the housing market and economy of Meridian Township in a long-run.

I sincerely hope you could seriously consider our concerns. I know many families with kids have similar concerns. Please keep marijuana away from our kids and our neighborhood! Thank you for helping us make a difference in our community!

Respectfully,
Ying Yan
Home address: 697 Emily Lane Haslett

Riley Millard

From: Jianping Hu <huyidao92122@yahoo.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2019 1:11 PM
To: Board
Subject: Serious concerns over marijuana planting and sale in Meridian Township

To whom it may concern at Meridian Township Board,

With this letter I am expressing my strong concerns over planting and selling marijuana in Meridian Township. I have been a resident of the township for nearly 16 years and proud of the high-quality schools and family friendly communities. I was shocked to hear about the Township's recent marijuana zoning ordinance and believe that it will have a negative impact on the family friendly, safe and clean atmosphere in this area. I have a high school boy and I do not want him to be exposed to this drug, which I believe is a gateway drug to more detrimental and addictive drugs.

As a parent and concerned citizen, I sincerely hope that the township board can take our requests into consideration and vote against this bill. Please keep Meridian Township a safe and clean environment for our kids!

Sincerely,

Jianping Hu

1299 Silverwood Drive, Okemos MI 48864

Riley Millard

From: Qiang Zhao <zhaq6@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2019 1:13 PM
To: Board
Subject: Against Marijuana

Dear board members:

I would strongly voice against the cultivation and sell of marijuana in Meridian township. Thank you for your kind consideration.

Qiang Zhao
1922 Atherton, Okemos

Riley Millard

From: Christine Zong <zongcq@yahoo.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2019 1:15 PM
To: Board
Subject: From Christine

Dear Meridian Township Board,

I am Christine Zong and currently a resident in Okemos. I write to express my strong concerns about the recent Meridian Township marijuana zoning ordinances.

I've been living in Okemos for 19 years and really feel proud of our community and neighborhood. Our family choose to live in Okemos because of its high quality schools and family friendly communities. The Township's recent marijuana zoning ordinances really raised concerns for our family (and also, I believe, many other families who share our values). I understand the appeared short-term economic benefit that marijuana business is assumed to bring to the Township. However, I believe in the long-run, it will destroy our community's tradition, known for its family friendly atmosphere. It will increase our kids' exposure and access to marijuana, which is the worst thing I want to see as a mom with two young school-age sons. It may also affect the safety of our neighborhood due to the very likely increased rate of illegal marijuana use. Seriously, the marijuana business is the biggest reason now for our family to consider moving out of this area because we want our kids to be raised in a safe and friendly environment. I believe there are other families like us who share our concerns. More families with kids may move out which may hurt the housing market and economy of Okemos in a long-run.

I sincerely hope you could seriously consider our concerns. I know many families with kids have similar concerns. Please keep marijuana away from our kids and our neighborhood! Thank you for helping us make a difference in our community!

Respectfully,
Christine Zong
Home address: 1783 Elk.lane, Okemos

Riley Millard

From: Gao Li <gaolikun@yahoo.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2019 1:16 PM
To: Board
Subject: Concern Meridian marijuana ordinances

Sent from my iPhoneDear Meridian Township Board,

I am Kun Li and currently a resident in Okemos. I write to express my strong concerns about the recent Meridian Township marijuana zoning ordinances.

I've been living in Okemos for 11 years and really feel proud of our community and neighborhood. Our family choose to live in Okemos because of its high quality schools and family friendly communities. The Township's recent marijuana zoning ordinances really raised concerns for our family (and also, I believe, many other families who share our values). I understand the appeared short-term economic benefit that marijuana business is assumed to bring to the Township. However, I believe in the long-run, it will destroy our community's tradition, known for its family friendly atmosphere. It will increase our kids' exposure and access to marijuana, which is the worst thing I want to see as a mom with two young school-age kids. It may also affect the safety of our neighborhood due to the very likely increased rate of illegal marijuana use. Seriously, the marijuana business is the biggest reason now for our family to consider moving out of this area because we want our kids to be raised in a safe and friendly environment. I believe there are other families like us who share our concerns. More families with kids may move out which may hurt the housing market and economy of Okemos in a long-run.

I sincerely hope you could seriously consider our concerns. I know many families with kids have similar concerns. Please keep marijuana away from our kids and our neighborhood! Thank you for helping us make a difference in our community!

Respectfully,
Kun li
Home address:2592 Dustin rd
Okemos

Riley Millard

From: Li Zhang <dlxzldhz@comcast.net>
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2019 1:18 PM
To: Board
Subject: No Marijuana in Okemos

As parents, we are against any Marijuana activity in Okemos.

Li Zhang & Lixin Dong

4162 Cornell Road, Okemos. Mi

发自我的 iPhone

Riley Millard

From: Haosu Cong <haosucong@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2019 1:24 PM
To: Board
Subject: Attitudes to marijuana zoning ordinances

Dear Meridian Township Board,

I am Haosu Cong and currently a resident in Okemos. I write to express my strong concerns about the recent Meridian Township marijuana zoning ordinances.

I've been living in Okemos for just 2 months, but really feel proud of our community and neighborhood. As a new PhD student in MSU, I chose to live in Okemos because of its high quality public security and friendly communities. The Township's recent marijuana zoning ordinances really raised concerns for myself (and also, I believe, many other families who share my values). I understand the appeared short-term economic benefit that marijuana business is assumed to bring to the Township. However, I believe in the long-run, it will destroy our community's tradition, known for its friendly atmosphere. My father is a pharmacist and thus I know that marijuana is directly related to the crime rate. And it will increase kids' and teenagers', even college students' exposure and access to marijuana, as you know, they cannot prevent them from opening that Pandora's box. Seriously, the marijuana business is the biggest reason now for me to consider moving out of this area because I am concerning about my own safety. More families with kids may move out which may hurt the housing market and economy of Okemos in a long-run. Okemos would not be my lovely Okemos! It will no longer be a friendly and safe community, but a drab town fulfilled with awful marijuana smell.

I sincerely hope you could seriously consider my concerns. I know many families with kids have similar concerns. Please keep marijuana away from our neighborhood! Thank you for helping us make a safe and aound community!

Respectfully,
Haosu Cong
Home address: 4398 Okemos Road, Apt F209, Okemos, MI 48864

Riley Millard

From: yanyan wang <yayawa@hotmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2019 1:30 PM
To: Board
Cc: yanyan wang
Subject: Marijuana issue

Dear Meridian Township Board,

I am a Professor of Accounting at Michigan State University. My family has lived in Okemos since 2013. I'm writing to express my strong opposition to the recent Meridian Township marijuana zoning ordinances.

I moved from East Lansing to Okemos in 2013 because of the high-quality education systems and cultural diversity Okemos has to offer. The Township's recent marijuana zoning ordinances worried me due to the concern that the meridian township may be trading off long-term school district ranking/reputation for the short-term gain that the marijuana business may generate. While it's the parents' job to raise their children with the right values, school children also are the most vulnerable to temptations to become users of marijuana either under the peer pressure to be the "cool kid" or due to the fact that marijuana becomes easily accessible to them. As a result, their academic performance will suffer and our school district ranking will deteriorate.

Our family is seriously discussing the possibility of moving out of the Okemos area because we want our kids to be raised in a safe and friendly environment. Many other families in our neighborhood share the same concerns. Moving is costly. There's no doubt about that. But if it has to come down to raising our kids the right way and shield them from the undue influence of drug use, we'll do it in a heartbeat. Property values will go down significantly if more families are moving out of the area.

As a concerned parent and a well-educated academic researcher, I'm asking you to please try your best to keep marijuana away from our kids and our neighborhood. You are the ones who can make a real difference for our community!

Respectfully,
Isabel Wang
Home address: 2699 Sophiea Pkwy, Okemos, MI 48864

Riley Millard

From: Yu Qiu <yuqiu01@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2019 1:39 PM
To: Board
Subject: Concerns about marijuana zoning ordinances

Dear Meridian Township Board,

I am Yu Qiu and currently a resident in Okemos. I write to express my strong concerns about the recent Meridian Township marijuana zoning ordinances.

I've been living in Okemos for 18 years and really feel proud of our community and neighborhood. Our family choose to live in Okemos because of its high quality schools and family friendly communities. The Township's recent marijuana zoning ordinances really raised concerns for our family (and also, I believe, many other families who share our values). I understand the appeared short-term economic benefit that marijuana business is assumed to bring to the Township. However, I believe in the long-run, it will destroy our community's tradition, known for its family friendly atmosphere. It will increase our kids' exposure and access to marijuana, which is the worst thing I want to see as a mom with two young school-age sons. It may also affect the safety of our neighborhood due to the very likely increased rate of illegal marijuana use. Seriously, the marijuana business is the biggest reason now for our family to consider moving out of this area because we want our kids to be raised in a safe and friendly environment. I believe there are other families like us who share our concerns. More families with kids may move out which may hurt the housing market and economy of Okemos in a long-run.

I sincerely hope you could seriously consider our concerns. I know many families with kids have similar concerns. Please keep marijuana away from our kids and our neighborhood! Thank you for helping us make a difference in our community!

Respectfully,
Yu Qiu
Home address: 1272 Starboard Drive, Okemos,MI 48864

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Riley Millard

From: Wei Zhang <weizhng@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2019 1:43 PM
To: Board
Subject: Opposition to marijuana zoning ordinances

Dear Meridian Township Board,

I am Wei Zhang and currently a resident in Okemos at 3585 Hyacinth ST. I am writing to express my strong opposition to the recent Meridian Township marijuana zoning ordinances.

I've been living in Okemos for 7 years and I strongly believe it is way too premature for Meridian Township to establish the marijuana zoning ordinances without detailed and robust impact assessment on our community and neighborhood.

Sincerely,

Wei Zhang

Riley Millard

From: Heidi Ma <heidima@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2019 1:52 PM
To: Board
Subject: Against marijuana dispensaries in Meridian Township

Hi,

My name is Huibo Ma. My address is 4573 Spicewood Dr, Okemos MI 48864.

I heard the board will vote for adding marijuana dispensaries in Meridian Township soon. I highly against establishing marijuana dispensaries in the area, especially the ones near Okemos High School and Okemos downtown.

We all know the negative effect marijuana does to people, especially young people. Have the dispensaries so close to the youth in our community is very dangerous.

I hope you would consider these and vote against it. Thanks for your consideration.

Huibo Ma

Riley Millard

From: Sunny Renli <ren.jian.usa@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2019 1:54 PM
To: Board
Subject: Strongly against the

As residents of Okemos for more than 16 years, our whole family is strongly against the Marijuana Non-Zoning/Zoning Ordinances. Please give our kid a clear and drug free environment, instead of just seeking a temporary relief. We have already witnessed too many mental problems and suicide incidences, much more than we could imagine twenty or thirty years ago. It's a responsibility for each and everyone individual to think wisely and take appropriate actions to create a healthy and clear environment. We do not want to become criminals for the future generations.

Please cast your vote with responsibility and consciousness in your mind.

Sincerely,
Jian Ren
1840 Elk Lane

Riley Millard

From: Qiaoqin Jiang <qiaoqin_jiang@yahoo.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2019 1:55 PM
To: Board
Subject: Marijuana Stores and Marijuana planting Should Not Allowed In Meridian Township

To Whom It May Concern,

My name is Qiaoqin Jiang. I strongly oppose with opening Marijuana stores and planting Marijuana in Meridian township!

Residents are proud of Okemos, prospect families choose to come to live in Okemos because Okemos is a well known safe place, and it has best school district around Lansing area.

If we were to allow Marijuana store to open, or Marijuana planting in Okemos. We are putting our Children's future in risk. By having Marijuana physically in Meridian Township, we are opening a door for people to drug. We are endorsing and encouraging people to take the first step to drug. People would have more chance to make bad decisions because of the easy access to it. Students will lose focus on academic because the worsen environment. Families who are serious about Children's future will be afraid of letting their children grown up here, and eventually they will be moving away. New families will not want to move in for the same reason.

For the sake of the future of our children and all the people in the community, please stop considering having Marijuana businesses in Meridian Township!

Sincerely,

Qiaoqin Jiang

1805
Sent from my iPhone

Riley Millard

From: Cathrine Tan <ctan0008@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2019 2:07 PM
To: Board
Subject: Voting for/against the marijuana growing and cannabis shop

Hi,
I heard that there will be a voting at 5 pm today regarding growing marijuana and cannabis shop in Meridian township.
I am concerned and would like to vote no, please don't grow marijuana and don't open cannabis shop in Meridian township.
Thank you.

Sincerely,
Cathrine Tan
2594 Lupine Dr.
Okemos, MI 48864.

Riley Millard

From: Youyu Feng <txyouyu@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2019 2:09 PM
To: Board
Subject: Concerns about opening Marijuana business in Meridian

Dear Meridian Township Board,

My name is Youyu Feng. My family moved to 2017 Timberview Dr, Okemos last summer because Okemos is one of the best places to live in the United States. It has highly educated residents, high quality schools and family friendly communities. Now I am worried that allowing marijuana businesses in our community would affect all of these.

Nearly 300 communities across Michigan have voted to prohibit marijuana businesses. 75 percent of communities in Colorado, the first state to legalize marijuana, have decided to ban the businesses. And there are reasons why others said NO to marijuana businesses.

According to an analysis from the Washington Post, wholesale marijuana prices are dropping at insane rates in states that have legalized. This means that the tax revenue generated by marijuana business will decrease sharply in a few years. On the other hand, a study by the Centennial Institute at the acclaimed Colorado Christian University found that "for every dollar gained in tax revenue, Coloradans spent approximately \$4.50 to mitigate the effects of legalization." This hasn't taken into account the costs associated with long-term health consequences.

In the long-run, marijuana business brings not Economy benefits, but a less safe, less family-friendly and less valuable community according to studies/researches:

- Marijuana use remains more prevalent in the population with less education.
- Research shows a connection between marijuana use and the use of alcohol and other substances.
- Sixty-nine percent of marijuana users say they have driven under the influence of marijuana at least once, and 27 percent admit to driving under the influence on a daily basis.
- The marijuana industry has adverse impact on the environment including CO2 emissions, electricity consumption and plastic packaging.

Many families with kids in our neighborhood and schools share the same concerns as we do. We urge the Board to consider our concerns and vote to prohibit marijuana businesses in our township.

Thank you for making our township a better place to live!

Sincerely,
Youyu Feng
2017 Timberview Dr.

Riley Millard

From: Joyce Dou <joycedd781028@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2019 2:10 PM
To: Board
Subject: about the recent Meridian Township marijuana zoning ordinances.

Dear Meridian Township Board,

I am siqi Xu and currently a resident in Okemos. I write to express my strong concerns about the recent Meridian Township marijuana zoning ordinances.

We moved here from Chicago 4 years ago. My friends highly recommend Okemos. That is why we decided to move in and bought the house. Our family chose to live in Okemos because of its high quality schools and safe, friendly communities. Lansing is known as MSU, which brings together scholars from all over the world. Should the smell of marijuana replace the smell of books? I believe marijuana will bring benefits to the city, but the troubles it brings are endless. I remember when we lived in Chicago my daughter was afraid to go out at night. As a mother, I don't want my daughter to fall back into fear again.

I sincerely hope you could seriously consider our concerns. I know many families with kids have similar concerns. Please keep marijuana away from our kids and our neighborhood! Thank you for helping us make a safe, kind community!

Respectfully,

Siqi xu

Home address: 2476 burcham dr. East Lansing, Michigan

Riley Millard

From: Tongtong Li <tongli@egr.msu.edu>
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2019 2:14 PM
To: Board
Cc: 'Tongtong Li'
Subject: About the cultivation of Marijuana in Okemos

Dear Meridian Township Board Members,

I was very surprised to hear that some people are considering the cultivation of Marijuana in Okemos. Marijuana is actually a kind of drug. Though its cultivation may bring some income for Okemos, however, what is the price we pay? We would be surrounded by crimes, Okemos will be no longer be the beautiful, peaceful, lovely little town. Our children will be facing much higher dangers of all the problems caused by the drug. People will be moving away, and our city will be ruined.

My family has been living in Okemos for 17 years, and I strongly wish the board will NOT approve the cultivation of Marijuana in Okemos. It is a very short sighted motion that will have profound, long-term and destructive impact on Okemos. Please say "NO."

Tongtong Li
19840 Elk Lane
Okemos, MI 48864

Tongtong Li
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Riley Millard

From: Song, Guo-Qing <songg@msu.edu>
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2019 2:17 PM
To: Board
Subject: Please Veto Medical Cannabis

Hello,

I am resident of Okemos (5403 Lampen Dr., East Lansing, MI 48823). I have some big concerns about the adoption of growing of and opening shops of medical cannabis in the area of Meridian township. Please **Veto** medical Cannabis in Okemos. I would not support any representative who vote for this.

Name: Guo-qing Song
Home address: 5403 Lampen Drive, East Lansing, MI 48823
Phone: 517-402-6620

Thank you,

Guo-qing

Riley Millard

From: Qiaoqin Jiang <qiaoqin_jiang@yahoo.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2019 2:17 PM
To: Board
Subject: Marijuana Stores and Marijuana planting Should Not Allowed In Meridian Township

To Whom It May Concern,

I am sorry that I forgot to include address in my previous email.

My name is Qiaoqin Jiang. I strongly oppose with opening Marijuana stores and planting Marijuana in Meridian township!

Residents are proud of Okemos, and prospect families choose to come to live in Okemos because Okemos is a well known safe place, and it has best school district around Lansing area.

If we were to allow Marijuana store to open, or Marijuana planting in Okemos, we would be putting our Children's future in risk. By having Marijuana physically in Meridian Township, we would be endorsing and encouraging people to take the first step to drug. People would have more chances to make bad decisions because of the easy access. Students would lose focus on academic because the worsen environment and their declining health. Property value would go down. Families who are serious about Children's future would be afraid of letting their children grown up here, and eventually they would have to move away. New families would not want to move in for the same reason.

For the sake of the future of our children and all the people in the community, please stop considering having Marijuana businesses in Meridian Township!

Sincerely,

Qiaoqin Jiang
1805 Yosemite Dr, Okemos, MI 48864

Riley Millard

From: Xiaobo Tan <tanxb76@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2019 2:23 PM
To: Board
Cc: Xiaobo Tan
Subject: Concern over marijuana zoning ordinances

Dear Meridian Township Board:

I am Xiaobo Tan, Professor in Electrical and Computer Engineering at Michigan State University. I am writing to express my serious concerns over the marijuana zoning ordinances in the Township.

My family just moved into Okemos last summer. The good school district and family-friendly environment were the most important reasons for us to come to Okemos. Despite the assumed, possible short-term economic benefit marijuana could bring to the community, I am very concerned about its negative impact on the surroundings, including, in particular, the easier access to marijuana by school children including my daughter and son. I am also concerned the potential negative impact on the value of our property.

I hope my voice is heard, and please keep marijuana away from our community and our kids!

Thank you,

Xiaobo Tan
2017 Timberview Dr
Okemos, MI 48864

Riley Millard

From: Yiming Jerry Deng <jerry.deng.colorado@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2019 2:25 PM
To: Board
Subject: Objection for Meridian Township Marijuana Zoning Ordinances

Dear Meridian Township Board,

I have sure you have received many objection voices from voters/residents like me. The marijuana zoning ordinances and the plan of opening marijuana business in the township is really short-sighted in my personal opinion.

I strongly against it as a voter, a father and a long-time resident in the city of Okemos. Thank you for your consideration.

Best Regards,
Yiming Deng
Home address: 2536 Kevern Way

Yiming "Jerry" Deng, Ph.D.
Associate Professor
Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering
Michigan State University
Office: 517-884-0926
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Riley Millard

From: Yiming Jerry Deng <jerry.deng.colorado@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2019 2:29 PM
To: Board
Subject: Re: Objection for Meridian Township Marijuana Zoning Ordinances

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Riley Millard

From: Yingxin Zhou <zhou0824@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2019 2:31 PM
To: Board
Subject: Medical Marijuana Facilities

Dear Board members,

I live on Sophiea Pkwy, Okemos, Michigan. I heard 6 facilities have been identified for the sale of medical marijuana. It doesn't make sense to me. The FDA has only approved it for treatment of two rare and severe forms of epilepsy, Dravet syndrome and Lennox-Gastaut syndrome. Meridian Township is a small area with small population of 39,688. Is statistics number available regarding the patients with these two diseases in our Township? Is it possible to obtain the number from local hospitals? Since they are rare and severe diseases, I don't expect the patient population to be large. Therefore in my opinion opening one store is enough. Why 6?

Also have you considered given permits to pharmacies at Walgreens, Meijer, Target, Kroger etc to sell medical marijuana? If they are given the permits, the 6 facilities already identified can be used for other purposes.

Your consideration is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

Yingxin Zhou
Equities Trader, CPA
Zhou0824@gmail.com
517-518-2638

Riley Millard

From: Liyu <liyuworkweek@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2019 2:34 PM
To: Board
Subject: Say no to Marijuana

Dear Meridian Township Board,

I am Liyu He and currently a resident in Okemos. I write to express my strong concerns about the recent Meridian Township marijuana zoning ordinances.

I've been living in Okemos for 2 years and really feel proud of our community and neighborhood. Our family choose to live in Okemos because of its high quality schools and family friendly communities. The Township's recent marijuana zoning ordinances really raised concerns for our family. I understand the appeared short-term economic benefit that marijuana business is assumed to bring to the Township. However, I believe in the long-run, it will destroy our community's tradition, known for its family friendly atmosphere. It will increase our kids' exposure and access to marijuana, which is the worst thing I get to see as a mom with my kids. It may also affect the safety of our neighborhood due to the very likely increased rate of illegal marijuana use.

I sincerely hope you could seriously consider our concerns. I know many families with kids have similar concerns. Please keep marijuana away from our kids and our neighborhood! Thank you for helping us make a difference in our community!

Respectfully,
Liyu He
Home address:
2694 Elderberry Drive
Okemos MI 48864

Riley Millard

From: Ming Yan <basca.yan@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2019 2:41 PM
To: Board
Subject: Regarding the recent marijuana zoning ordinances

Dear Meridian Township Board,

I am Ming Yan and currently a resident in Okemos. I write to express my strong concerns about the recent Meridian Township marijuana zoning ordinances.

I've been living in Okemos for 2 years and really feel proud of our community and neighborhood. Our family choose to live in Okemos because of its high quality schools and family friendly communities. The Township's recent marijuana zoning ordinances really raised concerns for our family (and also, I believe, many other families who share our values). I understand the appeared short-term economic benefit that marijuana business might bring to the Township. However, I believe in the long-run, it will destroy our community's tradition, known for its family friendly atmosphere. It will increase our kids' exposure and access to marijuana, which is the worst thing I want to see. It may also affect the safety of our neighborhood due to the very likely increased rate of illegal marijuana use. Seriously, the marijuana business is the biggest reason now for our family to consider moving out of this area because we want our kids to be raised in a safe and friendly environment. I believe there are other families like us who share our concerns. More families with kids may move out which may hurt the housing market and economy of Okemos in a long-run.

I sincerely hope you could seriously consider our concerns. I know many families with or without kids have similar concerns. Please keep marijuana away from our kids and our neighborhood! Thank you for helping us make a difference in our community!

Respectfully,
Ming Yan
Home address: 3834 Fossum Ln, Okemos, MI

Best regards,

Ming Yan

Riley Millard

From: Shuangtao Ma <shuangtaoma@yahoo.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2019 2:50 PM
To: Board
Subject: Concerns about marijuana zoning ordinances

Dear Meridian Township Board,

This is Shuangtao Ma and currently a resident living at 3885 Baulistrol Dr in Okemos. I heard about the Board is deciding marijuana zoning ordinances in Meridian Township. I am writing this letter to express my strongest objection against marijuana planting and businesses in the community.

We moved into this area two years ago since I joined MSU. After careful consideration, we purchased a house and settled down in Okemos because my wife and I recognized this is a peace, highly safe, and family-friendly community. More importantly, it is great for our 6-year-old daughter as there are wonderful schools. Even though we pay much more property taxes than people who live in nearby communities, we still think that's worth. However, I really do not want this paradise to be poisoned by marijuana.

As an Assistant Professor of Medicine, I understand that marijuana is a dangerous drug with very limited medical value or without therapeutic value. To date, the FDA has not approved a marketing application for marijuana for any indication ([FDA and Marijuana: Questions and Answers](#)). The FDA only approved a couple of medicines which contains cannabidiol for rare and severe forms of epilepsy, and the FDA is still concerning the safety of the drug. I believe marijuana has much more been abused than appropriate medical use in the United States. It is no doubt that marijuana does much more harm than benefit to the human body as it causes a lot of detrimental effects including brain damage. What's more, marijuana is a gateway drug that leads people to move on to harder and more dangerous drugs. It is a terrible thing for children to have access to marijuana and expose children to marijuana abusers. I also don't want my daughter think that marijuana plants growing in our living community and along the walkway to school is a normal thing. More dangerous drivers induced by marijuana will further damage the peace of the community.

Therefore, I believe marijuana will definitely bring much more damage than short-term economic benefits to the community. As people who want to live in a healthier community moving out and more marijuana abuser moving in, this paradise will finally and soon turn into hell.

I hope you could consider my concerns and think a long run for the beautiful kids who live in this community and the future of the community.

Best regards,
Shuangtao

FDA and Marijuana: Questions and Answers

Office of the Commissioner

Questions and answers about FDA and marijuana

Riley Millard

From: Tony Gao <tonygao15@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2019 2:54 PM
To: Board
Subject: No Marijuana

Dear Meridian Township Board,

I am Tong Gao, a professor at MSU, and a resident in Okemos. I have strong concerns about the recent Marijuana zoning ordinance, and I am strongly against it. The township should be proud of its value of high quality schools and family friendly community. Nevertheless, introduction of marijuana will change everything in the long term, with increasing crime rate and safety issues. The loss will be huge compared to the possible short-term economic benefits. I am actually surprised to see motions like this to occur in Meridian or East Lansing. Please keep marijuana away!

Sincerely,
Tong Gao
4381 Alderwood Dr. Okemos 48864

Riley Millard

From: Xiaoming Liu <xiaoming.lxm@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2019 2:57 PM
To: Board
Subject: Marijuana stores should NOT be opened

Dear Meridian Township Board,

I am Xiaoming Liu, a Professor in Michigan State University and a resident in Okemos. I write to express my strong concerns about the recent Meridian Township marijuana zoning ordinances.

I've been living in Okemos for 7 years and really feel proud of our community and neighborhood. Our family choose to live in Okemos because of its high quality schools and family friendly communities. The Township's recent marijuana zoning ordinances really raised concerns for our family (and also, I believe, many other families who share our values). I understand the appeared short-term economic benefit that marijuana business is assumed to bring to the Township. However, I believe in the long-run, it will destroy our community's tradition, known for its family friendly atmosphere. It will increase our kids' exposure and access to marijuana, which is the worst thing I want to see as a mom with two young school-age sons. It may also affect the safety of our neighborhood due to the very likely increased rate of illegal marijuana use. In fact, the marijuana business is the biggest reason now for our family to consider moving out of this area because we want our kids to be raised in a safe and friendly environment. I believe there are other families like us who share our concerns. More families with kids may move out which may hurt the housing market and economy of Okemos in a long-run.

I sincerely hope you could seriously consider our concerns. I know many families with similar education background have similar concerns. Please keep marijuana away from our kids and our neighborhood!

Respectfully,
Xiaoming Liu

Home address: 2607 Sophica Pkwy, Okemos MI 48864

Riley Millard

From: xuefei hao <yalehxf@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2019 3:05 PM
To: Board
Subject: Against planting marijuana and opening cannabis shop!

To whom it may concern,

I am Xuefei Hao, a current resident in East Lansing. I heard that you plan to plant marijuana, and open cannabis shops in Okemos and East Lansing area. This is a terrible news for my entire family and all my friends! We all think it will destroy our kids and community in near future. Human beings should control this kind of desires. For us, marijuana is "drug". Do not ruin our kids and lives! If you insist to do so, it may result in the loss of your valuable residents and tax income: we and our friends may move out from this area. **The re-election of Meridian Township board members will be started next year in 2020. we and all our friends and will not vote for you next November, if the ordinance is approved.**

Please consider this seriously!

Thanks,
Xuefei Hao
Home address: 2189 Burcham Dr. East Lansing. MI 48823

Riley Millard

From: Ming Han <hanmsym@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2019 3:11 PM
To: Board
Subject: Oppose Proposed Marijuana Dispensary in Meridian Township

Ming Han
2305 Knob Hill Dr.
Apt 12
Okemos, MI 48824

Dear Meridian Township Board,

My name is Ming Han, an Okemos resident that just moved here from Lincoln, Nebraska in early 2018. I am writing to oppose the recent movement toward allowing medical marijuana business to set up shops in Meridian township.

My concern is mostly about children. And I believe you all agree with me that their safety and well-being should be our priority. A marijuana dispensary, no matter medical or recreational, does not belong next to us. There are several significant concerns:

- 1) A marijuana dispensary could significantly increase the chances of drivers under the influence in the area near the facility.
- 2) It would give the children much easier opportunities to access marijuana.
- 3) The easy access to marijuana could also give the children a false impression of the safety of marijuana.
- 4) It could bring crime to the area.

I totally understand that marijuana can have legitimate medical benefits, but we should also be aware of the major risks that medical marijuana dispensaries might pose to children. I also understand the short-term economic benefit that could bring to the township, but in the long run, marijuana dispensaries could hurt the income of the township by losing many residents with concerns on the risks to their children.

As I am living in an apartment now and actively looking for a house, I have never thought about anywhere else other than Okemos because of its excellent schools. However, if Meridian Township allows marijuana facility nearby our kids, I would seriously consider a different place.

Thank you for your consideration.

Best regards,

Ming Han

Riley Millard

From: GS N <gracesunorris@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2019 3:15 PM
To: Board
Subject: Marijuana Stores Should Not Be Opened In Meridian Township

To Whom It May Concern,

My name is Grace Norris. I strongly disagree with opening Marijuana stores in Meridian Township for the following reasons:

It does not help the State/County/Township economy.

It is not in accordance with Pure Michigan nor in line with environment-friendly.

It will make the community unsafe.

It will lower the quality of our community.

The existence of marijuana stores would not help the economy nor tax eventually because the cost of fixing issues caused by the easy access to marijuana is bigger than the revenue according to statistics in Colorado.

it would not comply with Pure Michigan. Waters will be impacted; Air will be toxic thus the rest residents would have to breathe second-hand marijuana smoke.

When easy access Marijuana stores are open in our community, irresponsible people would try them with overdose, driving under influence, causing more traffic accidents, even stealing in occasions of lack of money and losing behavioral control. Do you want this?

We live in a school district with a strong educational program. Allowing Marijuana stores open and with the foreseeable issues, it would impose a poor impression on our community, therefore, Meridian Township would lose attraction to business investments. Eventually, our community would become economically weak area: less business and low employment. Do most people want this? I do not wish our community to be viewed as a cheap unsafe place.

If we allow marijuana stores to be opened, it would be difficult to control the number of consumers purchasing products. I do not wish for drugs to have a negative effect on our community. Slowly our community would become unsafe, and people would start moving out.

Haslett is mainly a residential community for long-term living and raising children, with some small companies and businesses. We should protect the safety and health of our schools as a priority. Opening a marijuana store would impose a negative impression on our children. I'm afraid this would influence our children to inhabitant the drug.

To satisfy a small group of people with marijuana needs, we would be sacrificing our community's high reputation. On niche, Meridian Township is coming back to a good place to live in the United States. I wish for the upward progress of our community.

While I understand and respect the need of others in my community who seek marijuana, I believe the opening of marijuana stores in a public busy area would have a negative impact on our community as a whole and the impression on our children growing up.

I also understand that you have been working hard to improve our community, and I believe in the future you will continue to make Meridian Township a better place to live. My family and I thank you for your efforts towards our community.

Sincerely,

Grace Norris

Please don't hesitate to contact me by

gracesunorris@gmail.com

425-449-2943

5574 White Ash Lane, Haslett MI 48840

Riley Millard

From: John Zheng <jhn_zheng@yahoo.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2019 3:24 PM
To: Board
Subject: Please Do Not Open Marijuana Stores

To Whom It May Concern,

My name is John Zheng and I live in Okemos. Regarding the new proposal on marijuana, I strongly disagree with opening Marijuana stores in [Meridian township](#) for the following reasons:

1. It will lower the quality of our community.
2. It will make the city unsafe.

We live in a school district with a strong educational programs. The existence of marijuana stores would impose a poor impression on our community, affecting real estate prices, causing our homes values to go down. Okemos would lose attraction to the wealthy. I do not wish our community to be viewed as a cheap place.

If we allow marijuana stores to be opened, it would be difficult to control the amount of consumers purchasing products. I do not wish for drugs to have a negative effect on our community. Slowly our community would become unsafe, and people would start moving out.

Okemos is mainly a resident community for long-term living and raising children, with few big companies and businesses. We should protect the safety and health of our schools as a priority. Opening a marijuana store would impose a negative impression on our children. I'm afraid this would influence our children to inhabitant the drug.

To satisfy a small group of people with marijuana needs, we would be sacrificing our community's high reputation. On niche, okemos is ranked as the #4 best place to live in United States. I wish for the upward progress of our community.

<https://www.lansingstatejournal.com/story/life/2017/04/21/okemos-ranked-no-4-best-places-live/100750394/>

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Sincerely,

John Zheng

(P): [\(734\)-239-3604](tel:(734)239-3604)

Riley Millard

From: t t <tiaotiao_a2@hotmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2019 3:24 PM
To: Board
Subject: STRONG CONCERNS about the recent Meridian Township marijuana zoning ordinances

Dear Meridian Township Board,

I write to express my strong concerns about the recent Meridian Township marijuana zoning ordinances. I am living in Okemos and really feel proud of our community and neighborhood. Our family chose to live in Okemos because of its safe, high quality schools and family friendly communities. Now I am worried that allowing marijuana businesses in our community would affect all of these.

In the long-run, it will destroy our community's tradition. It will increase our kids' exposure and access to marijuana. It may also affect the safety of our neighborhood due to the very likely increased rate of illegal marijuana use. Seriously, the marijuana business is the biggest reason now for our family to consider moving out of this area because we want our kids to be raised in a safe and friendly environment.

In addition, according to an analysis from the Washington Post, wholesale marijuana prices are dropping at insane rates in states that have legalized. This means that the tax revenue generated by marijuana business will decrease sharply in a few years.

Many families with kids in our neighborhood and schools share the same concerns as we do. We urge the Board to consider our concerns and vote to prohibit marijuana businesses in our township.

Thank you for making our township a better place to live!

Zhen Qiu
and
Jing Chen

Home Address:
1526 Belvedere Ave, Okemos, MI, 48864

Riley Millard

From: Selena Zhang <selena1207@hotmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2019 3:26 PM
To: Board
Subject: Resist Marijuana

To whom it may be concerned,

I am a resident of Okemos. I heard that marijuana zoning ordinances are under discussing by the Board. I want to express my object opinion on the whole planning.

My family immigrated here two years ago due to the high qualified education and good neighborhood. My son goes to middle school in Okemos now, and planned to continue to study here until high school graduate. He has excellent scores and gains a lot of confident of being a contribution person in the future here. As a parent, I put much emphasis on kid's education, and cares about the growing environment of him, which should be benefit for his growing, and in return he can contribute to this society. But recently the marijuana legalized bothers me a lot. I think it will definitely has bad influent on kids, which may cost a lot for government to educate students in the future, not mention the result of the education. It will be a threat for kids, family and community. I cannot understand why it was legalized. I think every good thing should be encouraged, and bad things should be banned by authority. If the marijuana zoning become truth, I would rather move out of here, maybe back to my coming place, from which I thought here should be a paradise for children.

Thank you for taking time to read my letter, and I hope you can consider about my feelings just like other caring and upright parents. I believe the children are not only the hope of family, but also the whole country. Think about them!

Best regards,
Shu Zhang
2266 Knob Hill Dr. Apt.3 Okemos 48864

Riley Millard

From: Songqing Jin <songqingj@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2019 3:35 PM
To: Board
Subject: Concern about Legalization of Marijuana Business in Meridian Township

Dear Meridian Township Board,

My name is Songqing Jin. My wife and I have lived in Okemos for 8 years with two young children. I write to voice my strong concern about the legalization of the growing and dispensary of medical marijuana in Meridian township. Making the marijuana business legal in Meridian will not create a healthy environment for our community, especially for our children. What kind of message would we be sending to our children about drug use and addiction if our township becomes a site for producing and selling marijuana? If you encourage the marijuana business to take root in Meridian township, all our children will become the first targeted customers down the road. If this happens, how will you hope to encourage students to develop a good work ethic and self-discipline? How will you hope to create productive citizens who can contribute to the economy later on in ways other than growing and selling marijuana and other drugs? This will have a long-term negative impact on the economy of not only Meridian but also Michigan.

Making the marijuana business legal in Meridian will also attract drug users and drug dealers to our community which will hurt the safety of community cause housing value to decline. If I had known that Meridian would be in danger of becoming a heaven for drug producers and drug users, I would not have chosen to buy a house in Okemos and pay the high property taxes. The legalization of the marijuana business in Meridian township is against the long-term economic and social interests of the majority of the families here.

I sincerely hope you could seriously consider our concerns.

Respectfully,

Songqing Jin

Home address: 1931 Atherton Way, Okemos, MI 48864

Riley Millard

From: Honglei Chen <chenhonglei2012@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2019 3:41 PM
To: Board
Subject: Marijuana Stores Should NOT Be Opened

Dear Meridian Township Board,

I am Honglei Chen, and currently a resident in Okemos.

I object to the legalization of the growing and dispensary of medical marijuana in Meridian township. Making the marijuana business legal in Meridian will not create a healthy environment for our children. Allowing multiple dispensaries to be set up in our township has a high potential of leading to abuse. It will increase public security costs and tarnish the family friendly image of Okemos. What kind of message would we be sending to our youngsters about drug use and addiction if our township becomes a site for producing and selling marijuana? The younger generation of today is already addicted to social media, video games, etc. If you encourage the marijuana business to take root in Meridian township, all our children will become the first targeted customers down the road (when medical marijuana producers lobby for the legalization of recreational marijuana as well). Marijuana will become yet another addiction prevalent among our youngsters. If this happens, how will you hope to encourage students to develop a good work ethic and self-discipline? How will you hope to create productive citizens who can contribute to the economy later on in ways other than growing and selling marijuana and other drugs? This will have a long-term negative impact on the economy of not only Meridian but also Michigan. If I had known that Meridian would be in danger of becoming a site where the marijuana business proliferates and of corrupting its school districts, I would not have chosen to buy a house in Okemos and pay the high property taxes. The legalization of the marijuana business in Meridian township is against the long-term economic interests of the majority of the families here. I adamantly oppose it. I sincerely hope you could seriously consider our concerns.

Respectfully,
Honglei Chen
Home Address: 4376 OKEMOS RD, APT C115.

Riley Millard

From: Tim O'NEILL <arrestu@comcast.net>
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2019 3:55 PM
To: Board
Subject: Marijuana zoning

Tim O'NEILL 1560 Birchwood Dr. Okemos.

I'm against zoning for marijuana. Growing and sales

Riley Millard

From: zhang yin <yinzhang99@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2019 3:58 PM
To: Board
Subject: Marijuana Zoning

Dear Meridian Township Board,

I am Yin Zhang and currently a resident in Okemos. I write to express my strong concerns about the recent Meridian Township marijuana zoning ordinances.

I've been living in Okemos for 15 years and really feel proud of our community and neighborhood. Our family choose to live in Okemos because of its high quality schools and family friendly communities. The Township's recent marijuana zoning ordinances really raised concerns for our family. I understand the appeared short-term economic benefit that marijuana business is assumed to bring to the Township. However, I believe in the long-run, it will destroy our community's tradition, known for its family friendly atmosphere. It will increase our kids' exposure and access to marijuana, which is the worst thing I want to see as a mom with three sons. It may also affect the safety of our neighborhood due to the very likely increased rate of illegal marijuana use.

I sincerely hope you could seriously consider our concerns. I know many families with kids have similar concerns. Please keep marijuana away from our kids and our neighborhood! Thank you for helping us make a difference in our community!

Respectfully,
Yin Zhang , Yimin Xiao
Home address: 4223 Mariner Lane, Okemos , MI 48864

Riley Millard

From: my1314melody@yahoo.com.tw
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2019 4:10 PM
To: Board
Subject: Okemos

Dear Meridian Township Board,

I am Tsaii and currently a resident in Okemos. I write to express my strong concerns about the recent Meridian Township marijuana zoning ordinances.

I've been living in Okemos for 10 years and really feel proud of our community and neighborhood. Our family choose to live in Okemos because of its high quality schools and family friendly communities. The Township's recent marijuana zoning ordinances really raised concerns for our family (and also, I believe, many other families who share our values). I understand the appeared short-term economic benefit that marijuana business is assumed to bring to the Township. However, I believe in the long-run, it will destroy our community's tradition, known for its family friendly atmosphere. It will increase our kids' exposure and access to marijuana, which is the worst thing I want to see as a mom with two young school-age sons. It may also affect the safety of our neighborhood due to the very likely increased rate of illegal marijuana use. Seriously, the marijuana business is the biggest reason now for our family to consider moving out of this area because we want our kids to be raised in a safe and friendly environment. I believe there are other families like us who share our concerns. More families with kids may move out which may hurt the housing market and economy of Okemos in a long-run.

I sincerely hope you could seriously consider our concerns. I know many families with kids have similar concerns. Please keep marijuana away from our kids and our neighborhood! Thank you for helping us make a difference in our community!

Respectfully,
Tsaii Liu, PE,RA
Professional Engineer (Civil)& Registered Architect PE (VA, GU, FL, MI ,WA, OR),RA (MD,GU,MI)

Home address: 4695 Kingswood Dr
Okemos 48864 MI

Riley Millard

From: Hong L. <honglin2005@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2019 4:12 PM
To: Board

Dear Board Members,

My name is Hong Lin, a resident with Okemos since 2006. I am writing this e-mail to express my frustrations of learning the plan of the potential Marijuana Facilities are being built in Okemos.

We moved to Michigan in the summer of 2005 from California. While we were renting in East Lansing, we did researches and made the decision to buy a house in Okemos and settled in this neighborhood in the Spring of 2006. Since then, we fully enjoyed the well-educated and generous neighbors, safe environments and diverse cultures Okemos has been offering to its residents. When we traveled out of the town, we were always proud to introduce ourselves to strangers we met during the trip that we were from Okemos, Michigan. And, many times, there were people responded to us with "I/we knew Okemos!" Then, all the sudden, various beautiful memories were brought up! Life-long stories about the old high school, currently Chippewa Middle school, weddings held in the historical village, famous township fair works, fine dining experiences with local restaurants, strong athletic influences, and many other inspiring events. Even, one businessman shared with us that his favorite attorney was from Okemos. They have been working together for more than two decades! All are pleasant stories about Okemos!

Do we need to damage and change the established Brand Name of Okemos to the hometown of Marijuana Facilities? True, they will bring the revenues. But the negative effects will cause more problems in the long run – in a costly way. And, as the resident, we have been paying a decent amount of Property Taxes. The average range of annual property tax of my neighbor is \$5,000 to \$10,000. Would these incomes not good enough to maintain the city we love? If there is a shortage, then raise the property tax, or find other reasonable and healthy sources to balance the book.

I truly believe that the board members will consider the whole picture and provide us the best options!

Respectfully,

Hong Lin

Home Address: 1300 Sweetwood Dr. Okemos, MI 48864

Riley Millard

From: Zhang, Jack (DTMB) <ZhangJ@michigan.gov>
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2019 4:16 PM
To: Board
Subject: Please Vote Against Marijuana in Meridian Township!!!!

Marijuana is not good for the township, the kids, the people, the school, the community. the society!! Please Vote Against Marijuana in Meridian Township!!

My name is haibiao zhang and I live in 4719 Powell Road, Okemos, MI.

Jack Zhang

IT Manager
Department of Technology, Management & Budget
zhangj@michigan.gov
Office: 517-241-2927
Cell: 517-242-4525



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Riley Millard

From: ning niou <ningniou66@yahoo.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2019 4:17 PM
To: Board
Subject: Opposition to Zoning for growing marijuana

My name is Yungning Niou, resident at 1466 Mercer Dr.

I truly don't think growing marijuana in this township will bring in any long term economic benefit at all.

Most importantly, marijuana is a drug that has many controversial medical effects on human bodies and mind. Why bother to lead, to temp our young lives into such a dangerous situation-addiction to substance- that they may do more harm than good physically and mentally?

Sent from my iPhone

Riley Millard

From: Chen, Haomin <chenhaom@msu.edu>
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2019 4:24 PM
To: Board
Subject: Strongly Against the Opening of Marijuana Stores in Meridian Township

To Whom It May Concern,

Thank you for accepting responses from the community on this important decision.

I am greatly concerned about the potential opening of marijuana stores in the Meridian Township. If the selling and planting of recreational marijuana were approved, it would no doubly cast very negative influence on the living environment for the residents, especially negatively affecting the up-bringing of our children and youth!

I am fine with medical use of marijuana. However, making it recreational and opening multiple stores in the area would almost make the drug freely accessible. This would have unmeasurable negative effects on economics, safety and the overall value of our community.

The schools have been working very hard to keep our youth from the drugs. Making marijuana easily available is not respecting all the investment the schools have put in the wellbeing of our young people. It is heartbreaking to think about all the foundation the schools have been building little by little would face disruption, because of the environment these stores would throw the kids in. Allowing these stores to open is to allow the temptation to increase dramatically in their surroundings. We already have some drug abuse problems in the schools. Opening these stores is indeed counterproductive while educators and parents are trying so hard to stay proactive in drug abuse prevention for the youth.

Would the economic benefit really be worth that much, more than the precious wellbeing and future of our next (and the next...) generation?

Meridian Township is a great place to live, study and raise families. But would people still be interested in moving here if marijuana is freely accessible here?

Using marijuanas could be just the beginning leading to other worse drugs, which would put people in greater danger of addition, long term health problems, and economic strain. Furthermore, it can be a public safety hazard! There would be more people driving under the influence of marijuana, more accidents on the road, more tax dollars spent remediating the consequences. Eventually the community has to pay for all these. The sacrifice is simply too huge to ignore.

I would like to urge the Board to consider all the concerns from the community members and vote to ban the recreational marijuana businesses in our township.

Thank you for striving to make our township a safe place to live!

Haomin Chen
517-980-2168
2374 Burcham Dr. East Lansing, MI 48823 (belongs to Meridian Township)

Riley Millard

From: David Hagan <dhsurg@icloud.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2019 4:28 PM
To: Board
Cc: Patty
Subject: Vote on marijuana businesses

I wanted to voice my opinion on the proposed marijuana businesses. I am against having them in Meridian Township. That isn't the kind of community that I want to live in. Thank you.
Patricia Hagan

Sent from my iPad

Riley Millard

From: Sue Wang <suewang_ou@hotmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2019 4:38 PM
To: Board
Subject: Please vote NO on opening Marijuana Stores in Meridian Township

Dear Members of Meridian Township Board,

My name is Suning Wang, a homeowner of Meridian Township. I'm writing to address my concerns about opening stores to sell Marijuana in Meridian Township.

The proposal of opening Marijuana business in Meridian township scared many residents in this area, including me, a mother of two young children. We pay premiums for housing and high property taxes of Meridian Township, in order to provide a safe, family friendly neighborhood for our kids.

Researches show that Marijuana use remains more prevalent in the population with less education, and over 95% of marijuana users admitted that they had driven under the influence of Marijuana at least once. We don't want to see the school kids in Meridian Township get easy access to Marijuana, and don't want to see the Marijuana business hurt the value of our communities.

We appreciate that you take into consideration of concerns and worries of Meridian residents, when you vote.

Best Regards,

Suning Wang
2176 Sacramento Way, East Lansing, MI 48823
517-505-0881

Riley Millard

From: Yangfan (Phoebe) Liu <liu.yangfan@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2019 4:42 PM
To: Board
Cc: yuying xie
Subject: NO marijuana store in Meridian, Please!

Dear Meridian Township Board,

Our names are Yangfan Liu and Yuying Xie, the homeowners of and the residents at 2165 Long Leaf Trl, Okemos, MI. We are writing to express our strong concerns about the recent Meridian Township marijuana zoning ordinances, including the harmful impacts the marijuana stores were going to have on the children, the safety in the neighborhood, and the real estate market.

On niche.com, Okemos is ranked as the #8 best place to live in the United States. Ever since we moved here in 2015, we've been proud of the excellent wonderful school district and family-friendly community. Now if there are going to be marijuana stores (up to six!) around, we are very concerned the dramatically increased chance of our two kids exposure to it. Also, the customers who need marijuana and come to shop from other places will also add to concerns to the safety in the community. We believe many families share these concerns with us. We used to think both our kids (still preschooler and elementary) will stay and graduate from Okemos High one day. Now, we are not quite sure about it because of the foreseen problems coming with marijuana stores. If more and more families stop view Okemos as a family-friendly educational town for children, I think the long-run harm on the real estate market and other economic aspects of the township will outweigh the short-term tax income from the marijuana stores.

With the faith in the board members to make the choice that in long-run benefits the township and its residents, I sincerely ask you to consider our concerns and vote "No" for marijuana stores in our lovely hometown.

Respectfully,
Yangfan Liu and Yuying Xie
Home address: 2165 Long Leaf Trl, Okemos, MI

Riley Millard

From: Amanda Zhang <zhangmanaz@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2019 4:42 PM
To: Board
Subject: Ban Marijuana

Dear Meridian Township Board,

I'm Man Zhang. I've been Okemos resident since 2014. I'm writing to express my strong concerns about the recent Meridian Township marijuana zoning ordinances.

Okemos is one of the best places to live in the United States. It has highly educated residents, high quality schools and family friendly communities. However, allowance of marijuana in this area may change it fundamentally towards severe negative way.

I have 3 school age kids expected to grow up in the peaceful well-maintained community. If allowing marijuana business in this area, it will increase our kids to be exposed to access it. In addition, it will incur security and safety concerns as illegal marijuana users can be attracted to our society. I've spoke to some of my family friends of Okemos residents. We all express our big concerns about it and will seriously consider moving out of this area if it starts in practice.

Nearly 300 communities across Michigan have voted to prohibit marijuana businesses. 75 percent of communities in Colorado, the first state to legalize marijuana, have decided to ban the businesses. And there are reasons why others said NO to marijuana businesses. When more and more american realize negative impacts of marijuana, allowing marijuana in Meridian and spread negative signals to our kids, our safe society, our future of living conditions will be unwise decision without fully consideration to my understanding.

I sincerely hope you could seriously consider my concerns, the future of the community and the future of kids.

Thank you.
Man Zhang
1268 Sebewaing Rd. Okemos, MI, 48864

Riley Millard

From: Jingjing Chang <jingjing.chang1@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2019 4:53 PM
To: Board
Subject: Strong Objection on Opening Marijuana Business in Meridian Township

Dear Meridian Township Board,

I am writing this letter to express my strong objection about the recent Meridian Township marijuana zoning ordinances.

We have been living in Okemos since 2012 and we chose this unique place to settle down because of its high quality of education within this area and its safety. The Township's recent marijuana zoning ordinances made me deeply worried about our children and future generations.

I understand the appeared short-term economic benefit that marijuana business is assumed to bring into to the State. However, I do not believe the benefits would overcome the risks and lost we will have to face if we open up the business for our township, especially in the long-run. It will destroy our community's tradition, known for its family friendly atmosphere. It will increase our kids' exposure and access to marijuana, which is the worst thing I want to see as a mom with two young school-age sons.

Haven't we had enough issues to deal with already? The roads, the healthcare, the retirement plan, the education, the environment, and the list can go on and on. I sincerely appreciate the opportunity to expense my concerns and thank you for your time and consideration.

Please keep marijuana away from our Township! Let's protect our beautiful community, as well as the youngsters for the future.

Respectfully,

Jingjing Chang
4158 Usiak cir.
Okemos, MI 48864

Riley Millard

From: Yan liu <susieyanliu@yahoo.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2019 4:57 PM
To: Board
Subject: Re: Please keep marijuana away from our kids and our neighborhood

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> Dear Meridian Township Board,
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> I am Yan Liu and currently a resident in Okemos. I write to express my strong concerns about the recent Meridian Township marijuana zoning ordinances.
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> I've been living in Okemos for 12 years and really feel proud of our community and neighborhood. Our family choose to live in Okemos because of its high quality schools and family friendly communities. The Township's recent marijuana zoning ordinances really raised concerns for our family (and also, I believe, many other families who share our values). I understand the appeared short-term economic benefit that marijuana business is assumed to bring to the Township. However, I believe in the long-run, it will destroy our community's tradition, known for its family friendly atmosphere. It will increase our kids' exposure and access to marijuana, which is the worst thing I want to see as a mom with two young school-age daughters. It may also affect the safety of our neighborhood due to the very likely increased rate of illegal marijuana use. Seriously, the marijuana business is the biggest reason now for our family to consider moving out of this area because we want our kids to be raised in a safe and friendly environment. I believe there are other families like us who share our concerns. More families with kids may move out which may hurt the housing market and economy of Okemos in a long-run.
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> I sincerely hope you could seriously consider our concerns. I know many families with kids have similar concerns. Please keep marijuana away from our kids and our neighborhood! Thank you for helping us make a difference in our community!
>
> Respectfully,
> Yan Liu
> Home address: 1264 Sweetwood Drive, Okemos, MI 48864
>
> Sent from my iPhone

Riley Millard

From: Zhenmei Zhang <zhenmeizh@yahoo.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2019 4:59 PM
To: Board
Subject: marijuana

Dear Meridian Township Board members,

I am a resident (1253 Mizzen, Okemos) in the township for 12 years and am concerned about the marijuana zoning ordinance. I am against allowing the growth of marijuana near our k-12 schools. I hope the board can consider the long-term impact of their decisions on families with children in the township.

Thanks,
Zhenmei Zhang

Riley Millard

From: Hu, Jian <hujian1@msu.edu>
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2019 5:02 PM
To: Board
Subject: Strong objection

Hi there,

My ten years old son is schooling in Okemos. I strongly object the proposal that medical marijuana planting in Okemos.

My name is Jian Hu, address 2189 Burcham Drive, East LANSING, MI 48823

Jian

Sent from my iPhone

Riley Millard

From: max hsu <hsu.maximus@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2019 5:13 PM
To: Board
Subject: I oppose marijuana in Meridian township

I object to the legalization of the growing and dispensary of medical marijuana in Meridian township. Making the marijuana business legal in our township will not create a healthy environment for our children. Allowing multiple dispensaries to be set up in Meridian has a high potential of leading to abuse. It will increase public security costs and tarnish the family friendly image of Okemos. What kind of message would we be sending to our youngsters about drug use and addiction if our township becomes a site where the marijuana business proliferates? If you encourage the marijuana business to take root in Meridian township, all our children will become the first targeted customers down the road (when medical marijuana growers lobby for the legalization of the selling and buying of recreational marijuana). Although the law may say that pot cannot be sold to children, how much police force would you have to allocate in order to enforce this law? Marijuana will become yet another addiction prevalent among our youngsters. If this happens, how will you hope to encourage students to develop a good work ethic and self-discipline? How will you hope to create productive citizens who can contribute to the economy later on in ways other than trading marijuana and other drugs? This will have a long term negative impact on the economy of not only Meridian but also Michigan. If we had known that Meridian would be in danger of letting marijuana corrupt its school districts and deflating its real estate market, we would not have chosen to buy a house in Okemos and pay the high property taxes. The legalization of the marijuana business in our township is against the long-term economic interests of the majority of the families here. I adamantly oppose it.

Max Hsu
3717 Fairhills Dr.
Okemos, MI 49964

Riley Millard

From: Na Li <joicy.li0919@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2019 10:36 PM
To: Board
Subject: Marijuana Stores Should Not Be Opened In Meridian Township

Dear Meridian Township Board,

I am Na Li and currently a resident in Okemos. I write to express my strong concerns about the recent Meridian Township marijuana zoning ordinances.

I've been living in Okemos for almost 3 years and really feel proud of our community and neighborhood. Our family choose to live in Okemos because of its high quality schools and family friendly communities. The Township's recent marijuana zoning ordinances really raised concerns for our family (and also, I believe, many other families who share our values). I understand the appeared short-term economic benefit that marijuana business is assumed to bring to the Township. However, I believe in the long-run, it will destroy our community's tradition, known for its family friendly atmosphere. It will increase our kids' exposure and access to marijuana, which is the worst thing I want to see as a mom with a young school-age son. It may also affect the safety of our neighborhood due to the very likely increased rate of illegal marijuana use. Seriously, the marijuana business is the biggest reason now for our family to consider moving out of this area because we want our kids to be raised in a safe and friendly environment. I believe there are other families like us who share our concerns. More families with kids may move out which may hurt the housing market and economy of Okemos in a long-run.

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Respectfully,

Na Li

Home address: 5231 Madison Avenue apt B 11 Okemos

Township Board-Charter Township of Meridian
Planning Commission-Charter Township of Meridian
Re: Medical Marijuana Zoning/Non-Zoning Ordinances (Opposition)
March 12, 2019

To the Township Board and Planning Commission:

I oppose the adoption of Meridian Township's proposed Commercial Medical Marijuana Non-Zoning and Zoning Ordinances for the following reasons:

- Although medical marijuana is legal in the State of Michigan, no municipality is required to opt-in per the MMFLA. The adjacent cities of Lansing and East Lansing can provide adequate access to local marijuana patients, and both municipalities can collect income taxes from commercial marijuana businesses and their employees.
- Because it is not a city, Meridian Township cannot levy or collect income or sales taxes from commercial medical marijuana businesses or their employees. For businesses in Meridian Township, these taxes are imposed by and remitted directly to the State of Michigan.
- Allowing 21 Commercial Medical Marijuana businesses within the Township is disproportional given the number of registered patients and excessive when compared to other popular, necessary, commercial and retail businesses in Meridian Township such as pharmacies, grocery stores, coffee shops, and gas stations.
- Allowing commercial marijuana businesses to operate throughout our community in multiple areas raises concerns for criminal activity, public safety, and financial transparency.
- The commercial medical marijuana permit registration fees stipulated in the ordinance are not intended to and will not cover indirect costs to Meridian Township/Ingham County for police, fire, emergency services, and road/infrastructure maintenance associated with marijuana businesses.
- Unlike the City of Lansing's ordinance, Meridian Township's proposed ordinance does not contain adequate financial safeguards for insurance and surety bond coverage necessary to indemnify the Township from risk.
- Unlike the City of East Lansing's ordinance, Meridian Township's proposed ordinance does not contain a 1,000-foot setback from residential property, schools, daycares, or other commercial marijuana facilities, which is especially necessary given the "bonus" provisions of the ordinance.
- The City of East Lansing has established a medical marijuana overlay district located near Costco, bounded by Park Lake, Haslett and Merritt Roads. Establishing a contiguous corridor of commercial marijuana facilities in Meridian Township and East Lansing would be detrimental to both communities.
- The legal implications of whether establishing commercial medical marijuana facilities may extend business privileges to commercial recreational facilities are uncertain and subject to litigation.

Permitting 21 Commercial Medical marijuana facilities in Meridian Township in order to serve approximately 1,000 resident patients is excessive. Premature adoption of a deficient ordinance that does not adequately protect our Township and its residents is unnecessary. If the Board feels it is imperative to provide access to commercial medical marijuana, vote to permit a single provisioning center located away from schools and the highway, and easily accessible to law enforcement. In addition, please establish a uniform setback of 1,000-feet from any other marijuana facility, school, religious institution/house of worship, daycare, liquor store, or residential property.

Lynne S. Page
3912 Raleigh Drive
Okemos, MI 48864

When could dispensaries open in East Lansing?

Megan Senta
Lansing State Journal
USA TODAY NETWORK - MICHIGAN

EAST LANSING — A medical marijuana dispensary could open in East Lansing by the end of the year.

The East Lansing City Council passed local rules allowing for dispensaries in November.

But between the application process and construction timelines, many of the companies vying to open one inside the city limits likely would not be able to until late this summer or fall.

As of Monday afternoon, the city's planning department had seven pending applications for the special use permits that will allow dispensaries to operate in East Lansing, according to city Planning and Zoning Administrator David Haywood.

Seven companies have asked to open dispensaries at locations across the city:

- 1054 E Grand River Ave.: EL Grand Inc.
- 1100 E Grand River Ave.: DNVK I, LLC

• 1108 E Grand River Ave.: ABCD Properties, LLC

• 1234 E Grand River Ave.: CA-East Lansing, Inc.

• 1415 Michigan Ave.: JBC, LLC

• 1950 Merritt Rd.: RJB Enterprises, LLC

• 3318 to 3332 West Rd.: Green Peak Industries, LLC

The city's planning commission recommended city council approve three of those, he said — the locations on Michigan Avenue and Merritt Road and at 1100 E Grand River Ave.

Those three applications are set for introduction to the city council on Feb. 12 and a public hearing on March 26, Haywood said. The council could take action on any of them as soon as the night of the public hearing.

The rest, with the exception of 1234 E. Grand River Ave., are up for discussion at the planning commission on Feb. 13 and could also make it to the council's March 26 agenda, he said. The application from CA-East Lansing at 1234 E. Grand River is too new to make it onto an agenda yet, he said.

REGULATIONS

East Lansing's rules regulating dispensaries don't set a hard cap on the number that can operate citywide but do limit how close they can be to one another in four zoning areas.

When?

Approval wouldn't mean an immediate opening, though.

Most of the applications include plans for remodeling that call for at least a few months of construction.

The bottom line, Haywood said, is that "there's enough time for them to be opened yet in 2019."

How many and where?

Not all of those seven dispensaries can realistically get approval to operate.

That's because the city's rules regulating dispensaries don't set a hard cap on the number that can operate citywide but do limit how close they can be to one another in four specially-created zoning areas known as overlay districts.

Those districts include:

• Land zoned for "B2" retail use south of Michigan Avenue and west of Brody Road.

• Land bounded by Abbey and Coolidge roads, east of U.S. 127 and south of the city's Office Industrial Park district.

• An area near Costco, bounded by Park Lake, Huslett and Merritt Roads.

• The East Village area, including land south of Grand River Avenue between Cedar Street and Hagadorn Road.

Because the districts are small — most cover only a few blocks — and dispensaries must be located at least 1,000 feet from each other and from a school, daycare or liquor store, the rules effectively limit the total number to about four to six, Haywood said.

Only two areas — the one including Coolidge Road and the East Village — have enough room for two to locate in the same district, he said.



Man sentenced for 17 home invasions across Clinton County

Kara Berg
Lansing State Journal
USA TODAY NETWORK - MICHIGAN

ST. JOHNS — A Lansing man who committed 17 home invasions while he was free on bond for a bank robbery has been sentenced to prison.

Gregory Schulz, 31, will spend a minimum of 15 years in prison for crimes committed in Eaton and Clinton counties.

Schulz was sentenced Monday in Clinton County on the home invasions, which took place from July to September throughout the county. He apologized to all of the victims, several of whom were in court Monday for his sentencing.

"I know I have to pay for what I've done," Schulz said. "I don't have another chance, I know it."

Ronald Zawacki, Schulz's attorney, said once Schulz started using heroin,

things went downhill for him and he began breaking into houses.

He was out of jail on bond in Eaton County when he committed the home invasions, and was wearing an electronic tether.

"It's clear you made a choice in the past not to take the opportunity to change your conduct," Clinton County Circuit Court Judge Randy Tahvanen said. "The likelihood of lasting change is debatable."

Schulz invaded the homes of 17 people, "the one place where you should be able to feel safe and secure," Tahvanen said. That can change someone's whole way of looking at the world, he said.

Rochelle Baron-Wong, who spoke Monday at Schulz's sentencing, said Schulz broke down her front door and stole virtually every piece of jewelry she



Gregory Schulz

owned.

"He's had plenty of time in jail to turn his life around, but he has not," Baron-Wong said Monday.

Holly Philney, who also spoke Monday at the sentencing, said she had come home late after sitting at a hospital as her husband had surgery. She realized someone had broken in and took some of her jewelry.

Once police came, she found out Schulz had hit just about every township in Clinton County. It made her nervous, knowing someone had been in her home.

"As for feeling safe in the house, I don't anymore," Philney said.

The sentence

In Eaton County, Schulz was sen-

tenced to 10 to 20 years for bank robbery and unarmed robbery in November.

In Clinton County, for 17 home invasions, he was sentenced to:

• 5 to 15 years for one count, served after his Eaton County sentence is finalized

• 0 to 15 years for four counts, at the same time as the Eaton County sentence

• 10 to 20 years for one count, at the same time as the Eaton County sentence

• 12 to 20 years for 11 counts, at the same time as the Eaton County sentence

In all, Schulz will serve 15 to 35 years in prison for the Eaton and Clinton county crimes.

Contact Kara Berg at 517-377-1113 or kberg@lsj.com.

Obituaries

Lilian Isabel Laverty Toomey

LANSING - Lilian Isabel Laverty Toomey - Born to Thomas R. and Lilian J. Laverty in Toledo, Ohio in 1945, peacefully passed away February 10th, 2019 at her home in Lansing, MI. Lilian will forever be remembered for the unconditional love and compassion that she gave to her family and friends.



Her three sons Simon, Adam and David were able to build happy and successful lives due to her endless encouragement, patience, wisdom, gentleness and stability as they grew and found their paths in life. She was the embodiment of maternal love and will always be in the hearts of those who were blessed to know her.

Lil is survived by her beloved sons Simon, Adam (Sarah), and David, as well as two cherished grandchildren, Oliver and Mae. She is also survived by her siblings Betty Lou (Dr. Timothy) Hickey, Thomas L., William W. (Donna), and Robert A (Gloria). She is preceded in death by her sister Barbara, her parents and nephew Matthew Hickey.

A service will be held to honor her life on Saturday, February 16th at Tiffany Funeral Home at 2 pm. The service will be preceded with a visitation at 1 pm.



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13 (25) AS IT RELATES TO A MEDICAL MARIHUANA GROWER FACILITY, THE
14 FOLLOWING ADDITIONAL ITEMS SHALL BE REQUIRED:
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16 (I) A CULTIVATION PLAN THAT INCLUDES, AT A MINIMUM, A
17 DESCRIPTION OF THE CULTIVATION METHODS TO BE USED, INCLUDING
18 PLANS FOR THE GROWING MEDIUMS, TREATMENTS, AND / OR ADDITIVES;
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20 (II) A PRODUCTION TESTING PLAN THAT INCLUDES, AT A MINIMUM, A
21 DESCRIPTION OF HOW AND WHEN SAMPLES FOR LABORATORY TESTING
22 BY AN INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION FOR STANDARDIZATION
23 ACCREDITED TESTING FACILITY WILL BE SELECTED, WHAT TYPE OF
24 TESTING WILL BE REQUESTED, AND HOW THE TEST RESULTS WILL BE
25 USED;
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27 (III) AN AFFIDAVIT THAT ALL OPERATIONS WILL BE CONDUCTED IN
28 CONFORMANCE WITH THE MMMA, THE MMFLA, MTA AND OTHER
29 APPLICABLE STATE LAW;
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31 (IV) A CHEMICAL AND PESTICIDE STORAGE PLAN THAT STATES THE
32 NAMES OF THE PESTICIDES TO BE USED IN CULTIVATION AND WHERE AND
33 HOW PESTICIDES AND CHEMICALS WILL BE STORED IN THE
34 ESTABLISHMENT, ALONG WITH A PLAN FOR THE DISPOSAL OF UNUSED
35 PESTICIDES;
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37 (V) ALL CULTIVATION MUST BE PERFORMED IN A BUILDING. THE
38 APPLICANT SHALL SPECIFICALLY ACKNOWLEDGE THIS PROVISION.
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40 (26) PROOF OF AN INSURANCE POLICY COVERING THE ESTABLISHMENT
41 AND NAMING THE CITY, ITS ELECTED AND APPOINTED OFFICIALS,
42 EMPLOYEES, AND AGENTS, AS ADDITIONAL INSURED PARTIES,
43 AVAILABLE FOR THE PAYMENT OF ANY DAMAGES ARISING OUT OF AN
44 ACT OR OMISSION OF THE APPLICANT OR ITS STAKEHOLDERS, AGENTS,
45 EMPLOYEES, OR SUBCONTRACTORS, IN THE AMOUNT OF (A) AT LEAST
46 ONE MILLION DOLLARS FOR PROPERTY DAMAGE; (B) AT LEAST ONE

1 MILLION DOLLARS FOR INJURY TO ONE PERSON; AND (C) AT LEAST TWO
2 MILLION DOLLARS FOR INJURY TO TWO OR MORE PERSON RESULTING
3 FROM THE SAME OCCURRENCE. THE INSURANCE POLICY UNDERWRITER
4 MUST HAVE A MINIMUM A.M. BEST COMPANY INSURANCE RANKING OF
5 B+, CONSISTENT WITH STATE LAW. THE POLICY SHALL PROVIDE THAT
6 THE CITY SHALL BE NOTIFIED BY THE INSURANCE CARRIER THIRTY (30)
7 DAYS IN ADVANCE OF ANY CANCELLATION.

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9 (27) (A) PROOF OF A SURETY BOND IN THE AMOUNT OF \$50,000 WITH
10 THE CITY OF LANSING LISTED AS THE OBLIGEE TO GUARANTEE
11 PERFORMANCE BY APPLICANT OF THE TERMS, CONDITIONS AND
12 OBLIGATIONS OF THIS CHAPTER IN A MANNER AND SURETY APPROVED
13 BY THE CITY ATTORNEY; OR, IN THE ALTERNATIVE,

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15 (B) CREATION OF AN ESCROW ACCOUNT AS FOLLOWS;

16 (1) THE ACCOUNT MUST BE PROVIDED BY A STATE OR FEDERALLY
17 REGULATED FINANCIAL INSTITUTION OR OTHER FINANCIAL
18 INSTITUTION APPROVED BY THE CITY ATTORNEY BASED UPON AN
19 OBJECTIVE ASSESSMENT OF THE INSTITUTION'S FINANCIAL
20 STABILITY; AND

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22 (2) THE ACCOUNT MUST BE FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE CITY TO
23 GUARANTEE PERFORMANCE BY LICENSEE IN COMPLIANCE WITH
24 THIS CHAPTER AND APPLICABLE LAW; AND

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26 (3) THE ACCOUNT MUST BE IN THE AMOUNT OF TWENTY THOUSAND
27 (\$20,000) DOLLARS AND IN A FORM PRESCRIBED BY THE CITY
28 ATTORNEY.

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30 (28) ANY OTHER INFORMATION WHICH MAY BE REQUIRED BY
31 COMMISSION RULE OR CITY COUNCIL ORDINANCE FROM TIME TO TIME.

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33 (C) ALL APPLICATIONS SHALL BE ACCOMPANIED BY A LICENSE APPLICATION
34 FEE IN AN AMOUNT OF \$5,000. SHOULD THE APPLICANT NOT RECEIVE A
35 LICENSE, ONE-HALF OF THE APPLICATION FEE SHALL BE RETURNED.

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37 (D) UPON RECEIPT OF A COMPLETED APPLICATION MEETING THE
38 REQUIREMENTS OF THIS SECTION AND THE APPROPRIATE LICENSE APPLICATION
39 FEE, THE CITY CLERK SHALL REFER A COPY OF THE APPLICATION TO EACH OF
40 THE FOLLOWING FOR THEIR APPROVAL: THE FIRE DEPARTMENT, THE BUILDING
41 SAFETY OFFICE, THE POLICE DEPARTMENT, THE ZONING ADMINISTRATOR, AND
42 THE CITY TREASURER.

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44 (E) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SECTION 1300.18 NO APPLICATION SHALL BE
45 APPROVED UNLESS:



13.B

To: Township Board

From: Mark Kieselbach, Director of Community Planning and Development
Justin Quagliata, Assistant Planner

Date: April 17, 2019

Re: Rezoning #19020 (Township Board)

At its meeting on December 4, 2018 the Township Board initiated the rezoning of ten parcels identified as 5975, 5981, 5997, and 5999 Marsh Road, 5978, 5986, 5988, 5990, and 5994 Martinus Street, and an undeveloped lot identified by Parcel I.D. #10-205-007, from C-1 (Commercial) to RB (Single Family-High Density). The total lot area of the ten parcels combined is 1.52 acres.

The Planning Commission held the public hearing on the rezoning request at its February 25, 2019 meeting and voted to recommend approval at the March 11, 2019 meeting, citing the following reasons for its decision:

- The proposed rezoning to RB (Single Family-High Density) is consistent with the 2017 Future Land Use Map designation of R3-Residential 1.25 – 3.5 dwelling units per acre.
- The subject site is located adjacent to properties zoned RB (Single Family-High Density) to the west.
- The properties proposed for rezoning to RB (Single Family-High Density) are developed with single family residences.
- The current zoning of C-1 (Commercial) poses nonconforming status on the existing single family houses, making variances from the Zoning Board of Appeals generally necessary to make improvements to the properties.
- The proposed rezoning to RB (Single Family-High Density) will allow homeowners to maintain the existing use of the properties in conformance with the ordinance.

Staff memorandums outlining the rezoning and minutes from the Planning Commission meetings at which the rezoning was discussed are attached for the Board's review.

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Township Board Options

The Township Board may approve or deny the proposed rezoning from C-1 (Commercial) to RB (Single Family-High Density). If the Board amends the proposal, the request may be referred back to the Planning Commission for a recommendation. A resolution will be provided at a future meeting.

Attachments

1. Staff memorandums dated February 20, 2019 and March 6, 2019 with attachments.
2. Resolution recommending approval dated March 11, 2019.
3. Planning Commission minutes dated February 25, 2019 (public hearing) and March 11, 2019 (decision).
4. Communications.

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To: Planning Commission

From: Peter Menser, Principal Planner

Justin Quagliata, Assistant Planner

Date: February 20, 2019

Re: Rezoning #19020 (Township Board), request to rezone ten parcels located west of Marsh Road, east of Martinus Street, and north of Lake Lansing Road from C-1 (Commercial) to RB (Single Family-High Density).

At its meeting on December 4, 2018 the Township Board initiated the rezoning of ten parcels identified as 5975, 5981, 5997, and 5999 Marsh Road, 5978, 5986, 5988, 5990, and 5994 Martinus Street, and an undeveloped lot identified by Parcel I.D. #10-205-007, from C-1 (Commercial) to RB (Single Family-High Density). The total lot area of the ten parcels combined is 1.52 acres.

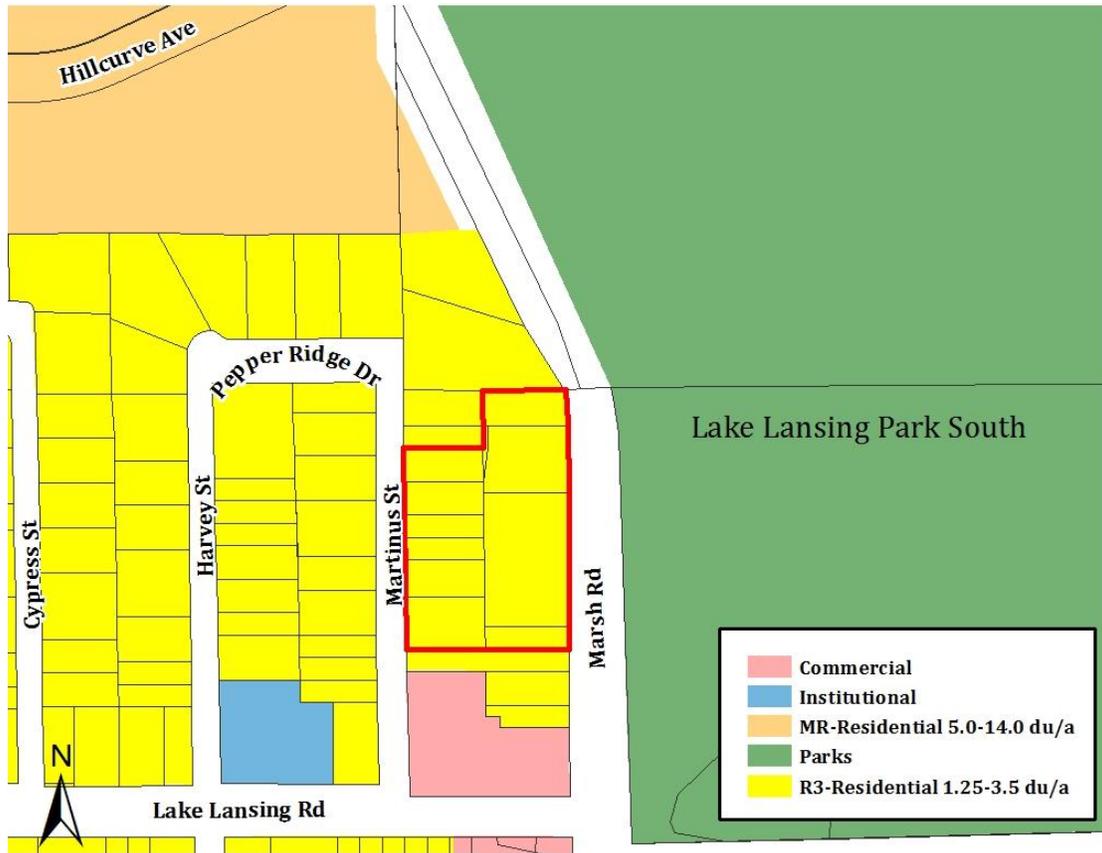
The properties proposed for rezoning are located on the east side of Martinus Street, west of Marsh Road, and north of Lake Lansing Road. Those parcels are currently zoned C-1 (Commercial), and with the exception of the property occupied by the Watershed Tavern & Grill, are used for single family residential purposes. The owner of the Watershed Tavern & Grill also owns three parcels to the north of the restaurant property, on which he has indicated a parking expansion may be proposed in the future. Those properties owned by the Watershed Tavern & Grill have been excluded from the proposed rezoning.

EXISTING LAND USE MAP



2017 FUTURE LAND USE MAP

The Future Land Use Map from the 2017 Master Plan designates the properties in the R3 Residential 1.25 – 3.5 dwelling units per acre (du/a) category.

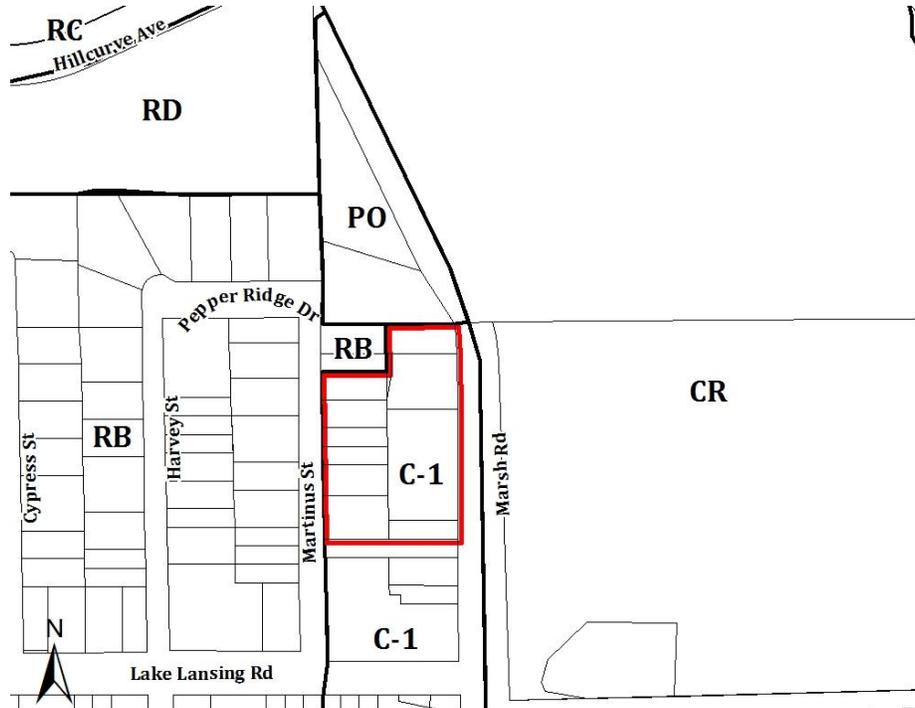


Zoning

The lots are located in the C-1 (Commercial) zoning district, which requires a minimum of 50 feet of lot width and 4,000 square feet of lot area. The requested RB zoning district requires a minimum 65 feet of lot width and 8,000 square feet of lot area. The following table illustrates the lot width and lot area standards for the existing C-1 and proposed RB zoning districts:

ZONING DISTRICT	MINIMUM LOT AREA	MINIMUM LOT WIDTH
C-1	4,000 sq. ft.	50 ft.
RB	8,000 sq. ft.	65 ft.

ZONING MAP



The following chart provides information on each subject property proposed for rezoning:

Address	Year Built	Acreage	Lot Area (sq. ft.)	Lot Width (feet)	Building Size (sq. ft.)
5975 Marsh Rd.	1930	.076	3,300	30	886
5981 Marsh Rd.	1921	.455	19,800	180	680
5997 Marsh Rd.	1921	.227	9,900	90	987
5999 Marsh Rd.	1950	.114	4,950	45	738
5978 Martinus St.	1931	.169	7,350	70	644
Parcel I.D. #10-205-007 (Martinus St.)	N/A	.121	5,250	50	N/A
5986 Martinus St.	1931	.072	3,150	30	1,114
5988 Martinus St.	1931	.072	3,150	30	630
5990 Martinus St.	1931	.108	4,725	45	640
5994 Martinus St.	1931	.108	4,725	45	900

Physical Features

With the exception of the undeveloped lot, all of the properties are developed with single family residences. The Township Wetland Map and the Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM) for Meridian Township indicate neither wetlands nor floodplain are present on or near the site. The site has no special designation on the Township Greenspace Plan.

Streets and Traffic

The subject properties front on Marsh Road and Martinus Street. Marsh Road is a four lane road with curb and gutter classified as a Principal Arterial on the Street Setbacks and Service Drives Map in the zoning ordinance. A seven foot wide pathway is located along both sides of Marsh Road. Martinus Street is a two lane Local road without curb and gutter or sidewalks.

The most recent (2008) traffic count information from the Ingham County Road Department (ICRD) for Marsh Road, between Lake Lansing Road and Pike Street, showed a total of 6,927 northbound vehicle trips and 6,793 southbound vehicle trips in a 24 hour period. The ICRD does not have traffic information for Martinus Street.

As the subject properties with the exception of the undeveloped lot are currently developed with single family residences, the only increase in traffic as a result of the proposed rezoning would be from the construction of a single family house on the undeveloped lot.

Utilities

Municipal water and sanitary sewer serve the subject properties.

Staff Analysis

The block of parcels located north of Lake Lansing Road, south of Pepper Ridge Drive, east of Martinus Street, and west of Marsh Road have been zoned commercial since the early 1960s. In 2007 the Planning Commission initiated the rezoning of this block of parcels (REZ #07090), with the exception of the parcel identified as 5965 Marsh Road (occupied by The Watershed restaurant), from C-1 to RB. At the public hearing the Planning Commission received information indicating property owners with frontage on Marsh Road did not want their properties rezoned. After discussing the merits of the rezoning, the consensus of the Planning Commission was to leave the zoning as C-1.

Until 2005 the Future Land Use Map designated this area in the Commercial category. Development of commercial uses with services for people visiting Lake Lansing Park South, and adjoining residential neighborhoods, were anticipated. In 2005, the designation was changed to Residential 1.25 – 3.5 du/a. The Future Land Use Map from the 2017 Master Plan is consistent with the 2005 Future Land Use Map residential designation for the area.

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Setbacks

Rezoning from C-1 to RB will impact the PO-zoned office use to the north and the C-1 zoned Watershed Tavern & Grill property at the northwest corner of Lake Lansing Road/Marsh Road by establishing greater setbacks than are currently required, therefore making these properties potentially nonconforming. The office building in the PO zoned property to the north would be subject to a 50 foot setback from the RB residential zoning district boundary. The C-1 zoned Watershed Tavern & Grill property would be subject to 50 foot setback for any building, parking, access drive, or other structure, which could be reduced to 35 feet with appropriate screening.

Nonconforming structures may be altered, expanded, or modernized provided structural alterations or extensions do not increase the extent of the structure; however any renovation that increases the area, height, bulk, use, or extent of a structure would require approval from the Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA). The following chart outlines the differences in lot area, lot width, and building setbacks between the C-1 and RB zoning districts:

	C-1	RB
Side/Rear Setback:	15 feet	7 feet/30-40 feet
Setback when adjacent to Residential district:	50 feet (35 feet with double row of interlocking trees)	N/A
Lot Area:	4,000 square feet	8,000 square feet
Lot Width:	50 feet	65 feet
Maximum Impervious Surface/Lot Coverage:	70 percent	35 percent
Building Height:	35 feet	35 feet

Planning Commission Options

The Planning Commission may recommend approval or denial of the request, or it may recommend a different zoning designation to the Township Board. A resolution will be provided at a future meeting.

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To: Planning Commission

From: Peter Menser, Principal Planner
Justin Quagliata, Assistant Planner

Date: March 6, 2019

Re: Rezoning #19020 (Township Board), rezone ten parcels located west of Marsh Road, east of Martinus Street, and north of Lake Lansing Road from C-1 (Commercial) to RB (Single Family-High Density).

The public hearing for Rezoning #19020 was held at the February 25, 2019 regular meeting. At the meeting the Planning Commission agreed to consider a resolution to recommend approval of the rezoning request at its next meeting.

Planning Commission Options

The Planning Commission may recommend approval or denial of the rezoning as requested by the applicant or recommend a different zoning category. A resolution to recommend approval to RB (Single Family-High Density) is attached.

- **Motion to adopt the attached resolution to recommend approval of Rezoning #19020.**

Attachment

1. Resolution to recommend approval.

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RESOLUTION TO APPROVE RB

**Rezoning #19020
Township Board
5975, 5981, 5997, and 5999 Marsh Road,
5978, 5986, 5988, 5990, and 5994 Martinus Street,
and Parcel I.D. #10-205-007**

RESOLUTION

At a regular meeting of the Planning Commission of the Charter Township of Meridian, Ingham County, Michigan, held at the Meridian Municipal Building, in said Township on the 11th day of March, 2019, at 7:00 p.m., Local Time.

PRESENT: _____

ABSENT: _____

The following resolution was offered by _____ and supported by _____.

WHEREAS, the Township Board initiated the rezoning of ten parcels (approximately 1.52 acres in total size) identified as 5975, 5981, 5997, and 5999 Marsh Road, 5978, 5986, 5988, 5990, and 5994 Martinus Street, and an undeveloped lot identified by Parcel I.D. #10-205-007 from C-1 (Commercial) to RB (Single Family-High Density); and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission held a public hearing and discussed the rezoning at its meeting on February 25, 2019; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission reviewed and discussed the staff material provided under a cover memorandum dated February 29, 2019; and

WHEREAS, the proposed rezoning to RB (Single Family-High Density) is consistent with the 2017 Future Land Use Map designation of R3-Residential 1.25 – 3.5 dwelling units per acre; and

WHEREAS, the subject site is located adjacent to properties zoned RB (Single Family-High Density) to the west; and

WHEREAS, public water and sanitary sewer services serve the subject properties; and

WHEREAS, the properties proposed for rezoning to RB (Single Family-High Density) are developed with single family residences; and

WHEREAS, the current zoning of C-1 (Commercial) poses nonconforming status on the existing single family houses, making variances from the Zoning Board of Appeals generally necessary to make improvements to the properties; and

WHEREAS, the proposed rezoning to RB (Single Family-High Density) will allow homeowners to maintain the existing use of the properties in conformance with the ordinance.

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NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THE PLANNING COMMISSION OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MERIDIAN hereby recommends approval of Rezoning #19020 to rezone ten parcels (approximately 1.52 acres in total size) identified as 5975, 5981, 5997, and 5999 Marsh Road, 5978, 5986, 5988, 5990, and 5994 Martinus Street, and an undeveloped lot identified by Parcel I.D. #10-205-007 from C-1 (Commercial) to RB (Single Family-High Density).

ADOPTED: YEAS: _____

NAYS: _____

STATE OF MICHIGAN)

) ss

COUNTY OF INGHAM)

I, the undersigned, the duly qualified and acting Chair of the Planning Commission of the Charter Township of Meridian, Ingham County, Michigan, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing is a true and a complete copy of a resolution adopted at a regular meeting of the Planning Commission on the 11th day of March, 2019.

John Scott-Craig
Planning Commission Chair

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE RB

**Rezoning #19020
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RESOLUTION

At a regular meeting of the Planning Commission of the Charter Township of Meridian, Ingham County, Michigan, held at the Meridian Municipal Building, in said Township on the 11th day of March, 2019, at 7:00 p.m., Local Time.

PRESENT: Chair Scott-Craig, Vice-Chair Lane, Commissioners Trezise, Premoe, Hendrickson, Richards

ABSENT: Commissioners Cordill and Shrewsbury

The following resolution was offered by Commissioner Hendrickson and supported by Commissioner Trezise.

WHEREAS, the Township Board initiated the rezoning of ten parcels (approximately 1.52 acres in total size) identified as 5975, 5981, 5997, and 5999 Marsh Road, 5978, 5986, 5988, 5990, and 5994 Martinus Street, and an undeveloped lot identified by Parcel I.D. #10-205-007 from C-1 (Commercial) to RB (Single Family-High Density); and

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WHEREAS, the proposed rezoning to RB (Single Family-High Density) will allow homeowners to maintain the existing use of the properties in conformance with the ordinance.

5. Communications

Principal Planner Menser noted additional communications were received after the Planning Commission meeting packets were assembled and that hard copies of those communications were distributed to the Planning Commission at their places on the dais prior to tonight's meeting and would be included in the packet for the March 11, 2019 Planning Commission meeting.

6. Public Hearings

- A. Special Use Permit #19021 (Agnew Sign Co.), install electronic changing message sign at 2040 Grand River Avenue.

This item was withdrawn from the Regular Meeting tonight.

- B. Rezoning #19020 (Meridian Township), rezone 1.52 acres (10 parcels) from C-1 (Commercial) to RB (Single Family-High Density) located west of Marsh Road, north of Lake Lansing Road, and east of Martinus Street.

Chair Scott-Craig opened the public hearing at 7:19 P.M.

Principal Planner Menser provided a summary of the request.

Public Comments: None

Planning Commission Discussion:

Commissioner Trezise noted the lots would not qualify in terms of lot width or minimum lot area in the zoning district being proposed and would result in changing from one non-conforming zoning to another non-conforming zoning.

Principal Planner Menser stated future changes to the parcels involved would probably require a variance to be approved by the Zoning Board of Appeals.

Commissioner Cordill commented on the irregular lot sizes located in the area being discussed and noted the established residents would benefit from the proposed rezoning if they wanted to invest in their properties.

Chair Scott-Craig mentioned in 2007 a similar rezoning was proposed but was withdrawn from consideration due to opposition by the property owners in the area. In 2018 a resident on Martinus Street demolished a house and wanted to build a new home on their two parcels but couldn't do so with the current C-1 zoning so they asked to have their property rezoned to RB in order to build and the Township approved the request.

Chair Scott-Craig noted most lots are owner occupied currently and the Planning Commission would like to hear more feedback from the residents regarding the proposal if possible.

A straw poll indicated the Planning Commission would be in favor of recommending approval of Rezoning #19020 to the Township Board and staff was asked to prepare a resolution recommending approval for the March 11, 2019 Planning Commission meeting.

Chair Scott-Craig closed the public hearing at 7:41 P.M.

7. Unfinished Business

- A. Rezoning #19010 (Woda Cooper Companies, Inc.), rezone approximately 4.6 acres of a 5.9 acre parcel identified by Parcel I.D. #17-377-031 located north of Grand River Avenue, east of Sirhal Drive, and west of Wardcliff Drive from RX (One and Two Family Residential) to RC (Multiple Family-14 dwelling units per acre).

Principal Planner Menser emphasized the fact that the Planning Commission is only addressing the rezoning of the property with conditions offered by the developer at this time.

Chair Scott-Craig recognized the traffic concerns expressed by residents and was told by Principal Planner Menser a detailed traffic assessment will be conducted during the future Special Use Permit application process.

Chair Scott-Craig expressed concerns on behalf of residents regarding the proposed development accommodating student housing and as a resident himself in the area for more than forty years there have been previous attempts to use the property for student housing. The applicant provided information that MSHDA programs do not provide student housing so he asked the applicant to address this concern.

Frank Fugate, 5000 South Front Street, Columbus, Ohio, applicant for the project, introduced himself and confirmed that affordable housing development programs do not allow for student housing.

Motion by Commissioner Trezise to approve Rezoning #19010.

Supported by Commissioner Lane.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

YEAS: Commissioners Trezise, Lane, Cordill, Hendrickson, Shrewsbury and Scott-Craig.

NAYS: Commissioner Premoe.

MOTION CARRIED: 6-1

- B. Mixed Use Planned Unit Development #18034 (Meridian Investment Group, LLC), construct 70,213 square foot mixed use building at 2875 Northwind Drive.
- C. Special Use Permit #18031 (Meridian Investment Group, LLC), construct group of buildings greater than 25,000 square feet in size at 2875 Northwind Drive.

Principal Planner Menser provided a brief re-cap of the previous Planning Commission meeting.

Motion by Commissioner Lane to adopt the resolution recommending denial of Mixed Use Planned Unit Development #18034 and Special Use Permit #18031 (Meridian Investment Group, LLC).

Supported by Commissioner Cordill.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

YEAS: Commissioners Trezise, Cordill, Lane, Shrewsbury, Hendrickson and Scott-Craig.

NAYS: Commissioner Premoe

MOTION CARRIED: 6-1

Commissioner Hendrickson stated the list created by Chair Scott-Craig reflects the discussions from past Planning Commission meetings and that the Planning Commission may not all agree on number of licenses.

- B. Zoning Amendment #19040 (Meridian Township), amend Section 86-2 and Section 86-654 of the Code of Ordinances to add Senior Living Facilities to the list of uses permitted as non-residential uses in residential zoning districts.

Principal Planner Menser provided a summary of the staff report and the changes to the draft ordinance since it was last discussed.

Planning Commission Discussion:

Commissioner Premoe stated he would like to see a 100 foot setback for accessory buildings.

Commissioner Richards supports the 100 foot setbacks suggested by Commissioner Premoe but for a buffer regarding noise potential more so than for aesthetic reasons. Commissioner Richards suggested offering an additional requirement for accessory buildings to either have a 100 foot setback or a 60 foot setback with a double row of interlocking trees.

Motion by Commissioner Richards to recommend approval of Zoning Amendment #19040 with the additional requirement that accessory buildings meet either a 100 foot setback from a residential zoning district boundary or a 60 foot setback with a double row of interlocking trees.

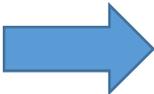
Supported by Commissioner Premoe.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

YEAS: Commissioners Richards, Premoe, Trezise, Lane, Hendrickson and Scott-Craig.

NAYS: None

MOTIONED CARRIED: 6-0

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- C. Rezoning #19020 (Meridian Township), rezone 1.52 acres (10 parcels) from C-1 (Commercial) to RB (Single Family-High Density) located west of Marsh Road, north of Lake Lansing Road, and east of Martinus Street.

Motion by Commissioner Hendrickson to approve Rezoning #19020.

Supported by Commissioner Trezise.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

YEAS: Commissioners Hendrickson, Trezise, Premoe, Lane, Richards and Scott-Craig.

NAYS: None

MOTIONED CARRIED: 6-0

8. Other Business

- A. 2019 PC Goals.

Chair Scott-Craig moved this item to the March 25, 2019 meeting.

Peter Menser

From: Joseph McSweeney <joseph@jfmars.com>
Sent: Wednesday, February 20, 2019 2:49 PM
To: Peter Menser
Subject: RE: RESPONSE TO PROPOSED REZONING #19020

Peter,

Thank you for your reply and explaining the reasoning behind the proposed rezoning. I do however feel that the rationale is rather weak at best. I not know if you or the existing planning commission are aware that the planning commission attempted to do the exact same thing close to a decade ago. I successfully opposed the change at that time along with a management company representing a family trust that owned many of the properties in this section. Considering what has actually occurred over this last decade I am very thankful that I stood in strong opposition to the rezoning at that time. As for the present proposal I feel even stronger against a rezoning.

I notated in my first communication to you that I had multiple reasons for opposing the current rezoning. I much appreciate that you are willing to forward my opinions to the planning commission so that they have the opportunity to make a good decision.

In the early 1990s I began my home business out of this property. I do music teaching and digital recording. I know that I would not have done that without the confidence of the knowledge that the property was also commercial. So the fact that it is commercial and residential has always been a value to me. I view a change to being purely residential as a devaluing of my property and not only to myself but also my son as I have recently added his name to the deed. Change and options for change are a valuable component of freedom. Why would any property owner want less of that?

It seems to me that the Township had good reason for making these properties commercial/residential in the first place. In the 40 years I have been here I have seen steady if at times slow improvements. I know that these improvements were begun before I arrived in Oak Grove Park which has a history that goes back to the end of the 19th century. I have found a lot of really old horseshoes from real horses on my property. If the Township had rezoned these properties as residential a decade ago that progress would have halted. The rentals would probably still be managed by some out-of-state entity and continue renting to low income folks that simply love the yards to let their dogs bark in.

The long-standing parking dilemma in the neighborhood would never have had a solution which it presently seems to have resolved entirely on its own by facilitating the sale of several rundown residential homes to be repurposed for parking. This never could've occurred if these properties were not also commercial/residential. My gardening passion loves all the new sunshine because of all the neglected weed trees have been removed. I do regret the loss of one swamp white oak tree that was well over 300 years old. I suppose it was sold to help cover the expense of teardown and preparation for the parking lot.

On that subject, I think it might be a really good thing for the planning commission to consider some real protection for our truly old trees. This neighborhood and these properties in particular have quite a few of those and in the 40 years I have been here I've seen a lot of them lost for no good reason. I even take the blame for some of that loss of trees when I was younger more energetic and foolish.

There are no more than three or four residences that remain along Marsh Road itself. I don't think anybody truly wants to live with a marsh Road entrance and exit to their home. In a walkable community I think these properties might eventually be converted to homegrown businesses similar to my own. They just need somebody with the ambition, opportunity and a little bit of money. I encourage the planning commission to keep these properties as they are currently zoned. Don't take away the potential for good positive changes to occur. By the way I do like the residential character of the neighborhood and so do my clients students and friends. At present I have no desire to run more than an appointment only business but I would like to think that I could put an advertising shingle outside if I felt like it.

Peter,

Thanks for the assurance that the planning commission will be given the opportunity to read my comments as I cannot yet be sure that I will be able to attend the meeting on February 25th at 7pm.

Joseph McSweeney your source for Musical Knowledge
517-339-2789 [please leave a text or voicemail]
joseph@jfmars.com

From: Peter Menser [mailto:menter@meridian.mi.us]
Sent: Tuesday, February 19, 2019 11:30 AM
To: Joseph McSweeney <joseph@jfmars.com>
Subject: RE: RESPONSE TO PROPOSED REZONING #19020

Joseph,

The Township Board initiated the rezoning of the properties there along Martinus and Marsh. It seemed like they were looking at that area because it is mostly residential and unlikely to develop into commercial in the future. I know they were concerned about the commercial designation making it more challenging for owners to make improvements to the houses there as well.

If you have further comments on the rezoning just let me know and I will forward them on to the Planning Commission for the public hearing.

-Peter



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From: Joseph McSweeney [mailto:joseph@jfmars.com]
Sent: Monday, February 18, 2019 10:34 AM
To: Peter Menser
Subject: RESPONSE TO PROPOSED REZONING #19020

Peter Menser,

I am writing to you because I received a notice from Meridian Township about a proposed rezoning to my property at 5978 Martinus. I hope to be at the planning commission meeting on Monday, February 25, 2019 at 7 PM but I felt that I had better write out my opinion in advance as there is the possibility I will not be able to be there.

I have owned and occupied this property since 1978 and I do consider it my home so I feel that it is important to make sure that my opinion is heard. To my best knowledge the property has always been zoned commercial/residential in the 40 years I have occupied it. For multiple reasons I have no desire to see that fact change. I do stand firmly against the proposed change to purely residential.

Being a curious person I would like to know why the planning commission proposes the change and perhaps you can be of assistance in explaining what ever rationale may be behind the proposal. Realizing that I have yet to present any justifications for my opinion at this point I have also learned to not waste my time communicating without some response. So I will hope for some reply from you soon as you are listed as the principal planner and have given your name as a contact for the Township.

Joseph McSweeney your source for Musical Knowledge
517-339-2789 [please leave a text or voicemail]



13.C

To: Township Board

From: Mark Kieselbach, Director of Community Planning and Development
Peter Menser, Principal Planner

Date: April 16, 2019

Re: Mixed Use Planned Unit Development #18034 (Meridian Investment Group, LLC) Red Cedar Manor

The Township Board held the public hearing for MUPUD #18034 at its meeting on April 9, 2019. At the meeting the Board expressed concern with the proposed parking in the floodplain and suggested the applicant consider reducing the number of units in the project. The applicant requested to be on the April 23, 2019 agenda for further discussion of the proposal.

Township Board Options

The Township Board may approve or deny the proposed mixed use planned unit development project. If the Board amends the proposal the request may be referred back to the Planning Commission for a recommendation. The Board has 30 days from the date of the public hearing to make a determination on the request, unless an extension is granted by the applicant. The 30 day review period ends May 9, 2019. A resolution will be provided at a future meeting.

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13.D

To: Township Board

From: Mark Kieselbach, Director of Community Planning and Development
Peter Menser, Principal Planner

Date: April 16, 2019

Re: Special Use Permit #18031 (Meridian Investment Group, LLC) Red Cedar Manor

The Township Board discussed SUP #18031 at its meeting on April 9, 2019. The request was not discussed in detail due to the concerns expressed by the Township Board for the associated MUPUD #18034. The applicant requested to be on the April 23, 2019 agenda for further discussion of the proposal.

Township Board Options

The Township Board may approve or deny the special use permit. If the Board amends the proposal, the request may be referred back to the Planning Commission for a recommendation. A resolution will be provided at a future meeting.

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13.E

To: Township Board

From: Mark Kieselbach, Director of Community Planning and Development
Peter Menser, Principal Planner

Date: April 17, 2019

Re: Zoning Amendment #19040 (Township Board), Senior Living Communities

The Township Board discussed Zoning Amendment #19040 at its last meeting on April 9, 2019. At the meeting the Board voiced general support for the amendment but had questions about the sources used to develop the draft ordinance.

Planning staff consulted a variety of information when researching the general topic of senior housing that influenced the draft ordinance, including ordinances from other communities, senior housing providers, guidance from organizations like the American Planning Association and American Association of Retired Persons (AARP), scholarly articles, news features, and state law. The Township Attorney has reviewed the draft ordinance several times, providing comments that further shaped the proposal. Also influencing the draft ordinance was the concept plan proposed by the Andev Group for a property on Hannah Boulevard. While the draft ordinance is intended to serve the entire Township, it was also designed to accommodate the proposal from Andev Group, since that proposal led to the Board initiating the zoning amendment.

Communities around the country and state differ greatly in their policy approach to regulating senior living communities. The primary reason is the variety of senior housing products in the marketplace. The draft ordinance created by staff was intended to provide flexibility with regards to the composition of a development while also minimizing impacts or conflicts with adjacent residential neighborhoods. The Board may amend the provisions of the draft ordinance if desired.

Township Board Options

The Township Board may approve, deny, or amend the proposed zoning ordinance amendment. If the Board amends the proposed ordinance language it may refer the amendment back to the Planning Commission for a recommendation. A resolution will be provided for consideration at a future meeting.

Attachments

1. Draft ordinance language as recommended by the Planning Commission dated March 11, 2019.
2. Letter from Michael Samuels dated April 16, 2019.

Section 86-2 **Definitions.**

ASSISTED LIVING – PROVIDING BASIC SERVICES AS WELL AS LIMITED NURSING CARE, LIMITED SUPERVISION, MEDICATION MANAGEMENT, SUPPORTIVE SERVICES, AND OTHER ACTIVITIES OF DAILY LIVING TO PATIENTS OR RESIDENTS.

INDEPENDENT LIVING – PROVISION OF SOME BASIC SERVICES SUCH AS MEALS, HOUSEKEEPING, GROUNDS MAINTENANCE, SECURITY, AND COMMON AREAS AND COMMON FACILITIES FOR EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES FOR PATIENTS OR RESIDENTS.

MEMORY CARE – SPECIALIZED SKILLED NURSING AND SETTINGS OFFERING STEPPED-UP SERVICES FOR PATIENTS OR RESIDENTS WITH ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE OR OTHER TYPES OF DEMENTIA.

SENIOR LIVING COMMUNITY – A FACILITY COMPRISED OF A BUILDING OR GROUP OF BUILDINGS PROVIDING A CONTINUITY OF RESIDENTIAL OCCUPANCY AND HEALTH CARE FOR ELDERLY PERSONS. THIS TYPE OF FACILITY INCLUDES DWELLING UNITS FOR INDEPENDENT LIVING, ASSISTED LIVING, AND MEMORY CARE OR OTHER LICENSED PROFESSIONAL CARE FOR RESIDENTS; IT MAY INCLUDE ANCILLARY FACILITIES FOR THE FURTHER SERVICE OR CARE OF THE RESIDENTS. THE FACILITY IS RESTRICTED TO PERSONS 55 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER OR MARRIED COUPLES OR DOMESTIC PARTNERS WHERE EITHER SPOUSE OR PARTNER IS 55 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER.

LICENSED PROFESSIONAL CARE – SPECIALIZED HEALTH CARE AVAILABLE 24 HOURS PER DAY GIVEN UNDER THE SUPERVISION OF PROFESSIONALS OR TECHNICAL PERSONNEL INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO MEMORY CARE, REHABILITATION, PHYSICAL THERAPY, OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY, SOCIAL SERVICES, TUBE FEEDINGS, COMPLEX WOUND DRESSINGS, OR RAPIDLY CHANGING HEALTH STATUS.

Section 86-654 **Nonresidential structures and uses in residential districts.**

- (a) Purpose. In recognition of the many institutional types of nonresidential functions that have been found to be reasonably harmonious and compatible with residential functions, and in recognition that some nonresidential uses may be useful to the occupants of residential areas and of the community, and in recognition of the peculiar functional requirements of certain types of uses necessary for the efficient provision of utility services, provision is made in this section for the establishment of certain nonresidential structures and uses in residential districts.
- (b) Authorization. The Township Planning Commission may authorize the construction, maintenance, and operation in any residential district of certain nonresidential structures and uses, to be specified in this section, by the issuance of a special use permit when all the procedures and applicable requirements stated in Article II, Division 4 of this chapter, together with the additional requirements to be stated in this section, can be complied with.
- (c) Nonresidential uses that may be permitted. Only the following land and structure uses may be permitted in any residential district, provided the applicable stipulated conditions can be complied with.

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- (1) Institutions for human care:
 - Clinics
 - Homes for the aged
 - Hospitals
 - Nursing or convalescent homes
 - Philanthropic and eleemosynary institutions
 - Sanitariums for the treatment of human ailments

SENIOR LIVING COMMUNITIES
- (2) Religious institutions:
 - Churches or similar places of worship
 - Convents
 - Other housing for clergy
 - Parsonages and parish houses
- (3) Educational and social institutions:
 - Adult care centers, provided structures and sites meet all current building, residential, fire and maintenance codes as adopted by the Township.
 - Auditoriums and other places of public assembly
 - Centers for social activities
 - Child care centers
 - Fraternity and sorority
 - Public and private elementary schools, high schools, and institutions of higher education
- (4) Special open-space uses:
 - Private resorts and recreational camps
 - Public beaches, bath houses, and boat liveries operated for profit
- (5) Public buildings and public service installations:
 - Gas regulator stations
 - Publicly owned and operated buildings
 - Public utility buildings and structures
 - Telephone exchange buildings
 - Transformer stations and substations
- (6) Other:
 - Group adult care homes, provided structures and sites meet all current building, residential, fire and property maintenance codes as adopted by the Township
 - Group child care homes
 - Offices used exclusively by philanthropic, eleemosynary, religious, fraternal, or educational institutions which are accessory to any of the enumerated uses of Subsection (c) of this section

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- (d) Nonresidential uses specifically prohibited. The following uses, but not limited to those enumerated, shall not be permitted in the residential districts:
- (1) Correctional institutions.
 - (2) Music and dancing instruction schools or studios.
- (e) Site location standards. The following standards shall be utilized to evaluate the proposed location of any nonresidential use. These standards are alterable, depending upon the characteristics of each situation involved, and they shall be applied conscientiously by officials responsible for the administration and enforcement of this chapter.
- (1) Any permitted nonresidential structure or use should preferably be located at the edge of a residential district, abutting a business or industrial district, or a public open space.
 - (2) All means shall be utilized to face any permitted nonresidential use on a major street.
 - (3) Motor vehicle entrance and exit should be made on a major street or as immediately accessible from a major street as to avoid the impact of traffic generated by the nonresidential use upon the residential area.
 - (4) Site locations should be preferred that offer natural or manmade barriers that would lessen the effect of the intrusion of the nonresidential use into a residential area.
 - (5) Any proposed nonresidential use will not require costly or uneconomic extensions of utility service.
- (f) Nonresidential uses in residential districts site development standards. A special use permit shall not be issued for the occupancy of a structure or parcel of land or for the erection, reconstruction, or alteration of a structure unless complying with the following site development requirements. These requirements are not alterable except by variance as provided for under Article II, Division 7 of this chapter.
- (1) For all uses that may be permitted, except clinics, public utility transformer stations and substations, telephone exchange buildings, gas-regulator stations, group adult care homes, group child care homes, ~~and~~ housing for religious personnel attached to a church or school function, **AND SENIOR LIVING COMMUNITIES**.
 - a. Area requirements. None of the land or structure uses permitted shall be authorized for construction and/or occupancy that will occupy a parcel of land less than two acres in area nor for erection or occupancy of any building housing such uses any part or portion of which will be any closer than 50 feet to any property or street line, except that all buildings and structures shall be located in accordance with the setback requirements of § 86-367 for the type of street upon which any yard abuts.

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- b. Lot coverage. No more than 25% of the gross site shall be covered by buildings.
 - c. Maximum building height. No building shall be erected to a height greater than that permitted in the residential district in which it is located unless the building is set back from each required yard line at least one foot for each foot of additional height above the district height limitation.
 - d. Appearance. All buildings permitted shall be of an appearance that shall be harmonious and unified as a group of buildings and shall blend appropriately with the surrounding residential area.
 - e. Signs. All signs shall be in accordance with the schedule outlined in Article VII of this chapter.
 - f. Off-street parking. Space shall be provided in accordance with the requirements of Article VIII of this chapter.
 - g. Adult care centers. Adult care centers, provided structures and sites meet all current building, residential, fire and property maintenance codes as adopted by the Township.
- (2) For clinics, group adult care homes, group child care homes, and housing for religious personnel.
- a. Area requirements. Lot area and width shall be not less than that specified for the district in which the proposed use is to be located.
 - b. Maximum building height. No building shall be erected to a height greater than that permitted in the district in which the proposed use is to be located.
 - c. Appearance. All buildings shall be harmonious in appearance with the surrounding residential area and shall be similar in design and appearance to any other buildings on the same lot. Exposed equipment shall be screened.
 - d. Off-street parking. Parking spaces shall be provided in accordance with the requirements of Article VIII of this chapter.
 - e. Group adult care homes. Group adult care homes, provided structures and sites meet all current building, residential, fire and property maintenance codes as adopted by the Township.
- (3) For child care centers in converted residential structures.
- a. All those requirements stipulated in Subsection (f)(1) of this section shall be met.

- b. No structure built for residential use shall be converted to a child care center if it is located closer than 500 feet to an existing residence.
 - c. The maximum number of children permitted in child care centers in residential structures which have been converted to that use shall be 30.
- (4) For public buildings and public service installations, greater than 50 square feet in area, including publicly owned and operated buildings, public utility buildings and structures, telephone exchange buildings, transformer stations and substations, gas regulator stations.
- a. Location. Public buildings and public service installations greater than 50 square feet in area shall be located on a lot on which the utility installation shall be considered the principal use, and no additional principal uses shall exist or be established on the lot.
 - b. Area requirements. Lot area and width shall not be less than that specified for the district in which the proposed use would be located.
 - c. Maximum building height. No building or structure shall be erected to a height greater than that permitted in the district in which the proposed use is to be located.
 - d. Appearance. All buildings shall be harmonious in appearance with the surrounding residential area and shall be similar in design and appearance to any other buildings on the same lot. Exposed equipment shall be screened.
 - e. Off-street parking. Parking spaces shall be provided in accordance with the requirements of Article VIII of this chapter.
- (5) **FOR SENIOR LIVING COMMUNITIES.**
- A. SENIOR LIVING COMMUNITIES SHALL BE FOR PERSONS FIFTY-FIVE (55) YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER OR MARRIED COUPLES OR DOMESTIC PARTNERS WHERE EITHER SPOUSE OR PARTNER IS FIFTY-FIVE (55) YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER.**
 - B. LOCATIONS. SENIOR LIVING COMMUNITIES SHALL BE PERMITTED WHERE PUBLIC WATER AND SEWER ARE AVAILABLE.**
 - C. MINIMUM LOT AREA. 10 ACRES.**
 - D. MINIMUM LOT WIDTH. 100 FEET.**

- E. MAXIMUM DENSITY. 25 UNITS PER ACRE. FOR THE PURPOSES OF CALCULATING MAXIMUM DENSITY THE TOTAL OF INDEPENDENT LIVING UNITS AND LICENSED PROFESSIONAL CARE UNITS ON THE PROPERTY SHALL BE COUNTED.**
- F. MAXIMUM LOT COVERAGE. ALL BUILDINGS INCLUDING ACCESSORY BUILDINGS SHALL NOT OCCUPY MORE THAN 35% OF THE NET AREA OF LAND INCLUDED WITHIN THE LIMITS OF THE PROPOSED PROJECT OR ANY STAGE IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE PROPOSED PROJECT WHICH MAY RECEIVE APPROVAL UNDER THIS CHAPTER.**
- G. MINIMUM YARD DIMENSIONS.**

 - 1. FRONT YARD. IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE SETBACK REQUIREMENTS OF SECTION 86-367 FOR THE TYPE OF STREET UPON WHICH THE LOT FRONTS.**
 - 2. SIDE AND REAR YARD SETBACK ADJACENT TO A NONRESIDENTIAL ZONING DISTRICT. NO BUILDING, PARKING, ACCESS DRIVE, OR OTHER STRUCTURE SHALL BE LESS THAN 25 FEET FROM A NONRESIDENTIAL ZONING DISTRICT LINE.**
 - 3. DISTANCE FROM A RESIDENTIAL ZONING DISTRICT BOUNDARY. FOR BUILDINGS UP TO TWO STORIES IN HEIGHT THE MINIMUM DISTANCE FROM A RESIDENTIAL ZONING DISTRICT BOUNDARY SHALL BE 50 FEET, WITH AN ADDITIONAL 50 FEET REQUIRED FOR EACH ADDITIONAL STORY OF THE BUILDING OVER TWO STORIES IN HEIGHT. BALCONIES, DECKS, PATIOS, AND PORCHES SHALL NOT ENCROACH INTO THE SETBACK FROM A RESIDENTIAL ZONING DISTRICT BOUNDARY.**
- H. ACCESSORY BUILDING SETBACK. NO ACCESSORY BUILDING SHALL BE LOCATED CLOSER THAN 100 FEET TO ANY RESIDENTIAL ZONING DISTRICT BOUNDARY, EXCEPT A 60 FOOT SETBACK SHALL BE REQUIRED IF SCREENING THAT INCORPORATES A DOUBLE ROW OF INTERLOCKING TREES, PRIMARILY EVERGREENS, OR THE EQUIVALENT IS PROVIDED IN ADDITION TO GENERAL SCREENING STANDARDS.**
- I. MAXIMUM BUILDING HEIGHT. MAXIMUM BUILDING HEIGHT SHALL NOT EXCEED FOUR STORIES UP TO 60 FEET ABOVE THE FINISHED GRADE.**
- J. MAXIMUM INDEPENDENT LIVING UNIT TO LICENSED PROFESSIONAL CARE UNIT RATIO. A MAXIMUM OF TWO INDEPENDENT LIVING UNITS MAY BE PROVIDED PER ONE LICENSED PROFESSIONAL CARE UNIT.**

- K. OFF-STREET PARKING. ONE (1) SPACE FOR EACH DWELLING UNIT OF INDEPENDENT LIVING PLUS ONE (1) SPACE FOR EVERY FOUR (4) UNITS OF LICENSED PROFESSIONAL CARE PLUS ONE (1) SPACE FOR EACH EMPLOYEE WORKING ON THE LARGEST SHIFT.**
- L. MINIMUM DISTANCE BETWEEN BUILDINGS. IN NO CASE SHALL ANY BUILDING BE LOCATED CLOSER THAN 50 FEET TO ANY OTHER BUILDING.**
- M. SENIOR LIVING COMMUNITY ACCESSORY USES. ANY ANCILLARY USE NECESSARY FOR THE OPERATION OF THE FACILITY OR FOR THE BENEFIT OR CONVENIENCE OF THE RESIDENTS AND THEIR GUESTS, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, PLACES OF WORSHIP, INDOOR AND OUTDOOR RECREATION, RETAIL AND BANKING FACILITIES, DINING FACILITIES, BEAUTY SALONS AND BARBERSHOPS, GIFT SHOPS, SECURITY FACILITIES, COMMON AREAS, MEDICAL OFFICES, POSTAL CENTER, AND PHARMACIES, PROVIDED THAT THE ACCESSORY USE IS ANCILLARY TO THE PRIMARY USE OF THE PROPERTY AS A SENIOR LIVING COMMUNITY AND NOT ADVERTISED FOR PUBLIC USE.**

(56) For all nonresidential uses in residential districts, the maximum percentage of impervious surface permitted on a site shall be 75%. Impervious surfaces shall include all land covered with paving, buildings, and other nonporous surfaces. The impervious surface ratio is calculated by dividing the total impervious surface by the gross area of the site. The following shall be counted as pervious surfaces:

- a. Required perimeter landscaped buffers.
- b. Fifty percent of on-site storm water detention or retention basins, if designed as an integral part of the site landscaping.
- c. Parking lot islands and medians that are 20 feet or greater in each dimension.



April 16, 2019

Mr. Ronald J. Styka, Supervisor, and
Members of the Meridian Township Board of Trustees
c/o Mr. Mark Kieselbach, Community Planning and Development Director Kieselbach@meridian.mi.us

Ladies and Gentlemen,

Andev Group, LLC is the contract purchaser of the approximately 10-acre parcel located at the western end of Hannah Blvd. We have been in communication the township's staff regarding the factors that govern our potential to construct a multi-million dollar campus for senior independent and assisted living residents on that site.

I attended the Township Board meeting of April 9, 2019 in which the Board reviewed and discussed the matter of a proposed zoning amendment to create a new special use category to enable development of Senior Living Communities as a specific type of multifamily housing within other institutional or residential districts with higher density than is allowed under existing ordinances.

We at Andev, wish to offer and confirm our support for the current proposed ordinance under review that would establish a new special or conditional use for facilities such as our proposed one.

We would like to offer some guidance to the Board regarding some of the questions that were raised in the April 9th meeting. We noted questions about the following:

1. Minimum lot size of 10 acres.
2. Density of up to 25 units per acre.
3. Ratio of independent living apartments to assisted living/memory care units.
4. Determining appropriate setback requirements from adjacent residential developments.

I will address each briefly.

1. Insofar as the minimum lot size is concerned, we endorsed the 10-acre minimum (along with a 55 and older age restriction) because we were made aware that there are other existing and/or potential developments that have been restricted from having full kitchens within independent living buildings because of concerns that such buildings would be convertible to non-senior uses such as student housing or unrestricted market-rate housing that would otherwise result in too-dense zoning. We also believe from our market research that in order to have a successful campus of independent and assisted living units, there are strong reasons to have the two categories of units housed in separate buildings. Doing so on less than five acres is impractical in anyplace other than a very dense urban environment; and in those cases, the zoning typically allows a much higher density even without creating a special use such as the one contemplated here. Our suggestion is that the combination of the lot size requirement and the age restriction



would serve to ensure that no such repurposing would be possible. Neither of these conditions is something Andev Group would require for its proposed development, but we acknowledge that they are reasonable provisions. If the Board believes that a lesser area requirement should be established or that there be no need for age restriction, that is certainly not objectionable.

2. When evaluating the 25 unit-per-acre density, we would point out that the “units” in developments such as this are a mixture of simple apartments in the independent living building (which can be no more than two-thirds of the total, and which have full kitchens, as would any other market-rate apartments) and small assisted living apartments with kitchenettes (no oven, only a two-burner cooktop), along with memory care units, which are comparable to single-room hotel rooms with no cooking and only a private bath completing the “suite”. This is very much in contrast to having a simple 25 per acre residential density.
3. Regarding building height, we agree with the four-story and 60-foot height limitation. Because these provisions are part of a special use, we believe that each potential development contemplated under the ordinance would need to establish the reasonableness of their respective development plans for each unique location. In our particular situation, when we submit our request for approval of a special use, we will take care that the tallest building on the site is set back the furthest from the adjacent residentially zoned properties.
4. The linkage of building height to setback requirements is common and consistent with other aspects of the ordinance, and we believe doing so is reasonable. What seems incongruous to us is the Plan Commission’s suggestion that a special setback provision should apply to this conditional use that would not be consistent with the manner in which height-to-setback adjustments are done in other similar, analogous situations involving multi-family developments that are located adjacent to single family or lower-density zoning districts. We agree that the way the Township deals with the linkage of building heights to required setbacks in its other residential zones is both rational and sufficient to deal with the issue in this ordinance. That is, to add one foot of additional setback to an adjacent lower-density residential zone for every foot of height by which a building exceeds that district’s maximum height (typically 35 ft. in single-family districts). It works everywhere else, and we can see no reason why it would not work equally well in this one.

An additional question noted at the Board meeting asked whether the (medical) care that is available to residents of the assisted living and memory care units is open to the public. The simple answer is no. These are not public clinics where care is given to walk-ins or other members of the general public. They are specifically for the use, convenience, and benefit of the residents of the community. Of course, the community itself is open to the general public that meets the age restrictions for residence.

I am available to answer questions or provide further clarification if necessary,

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Michael D. Samuels", is written over a horizontal line.

Michael D. Samuels, authorized agent for
Andev Group, LLC



To: Township Board Members
From: Derek N. Perry, Assistant Township Manager
Director of Public Works & Engineering
Date: April 23, 2019
Re: Local Street Improvement Program Funding

On April 16, 2019 the Township Board was presented with three (3) options to fund the local street improvement program. The options included: status quo, bonding for \$35 million, and special assessments.

Based on the discussion from the April 16, 2019 meeting, bonding for \$35 million for a 10-year period was the preferred option by the majority of the Township Board. This option would provide the \$3.5 million per year that is necessary to provide a consistent and level source of funding that would bring all 147 miles of local streets within the Township to a "good" rating (PASER 8).

One of the questions you will likely receive regarding the proposal, is in regards to the individual financial impact to a property owner. Attached is a spreadsheet that provides the annual and monthly costs for a home having a market value of \$200,000, \$300,000 and \$400,000 going from the current street tax rate of 0.2479 to the proposed 1.95 rate to cover the costs of the \$35 million bond.

Last Tuesday, our Financial Advisor, Mr. Warren Creamer, of Robert Baird & Co. presented information on how the bond process and proceeds would be implemented if approved by the Township Board and ultimately the voters of the Township. Included for your review is the spreadsheet and supporting documents that provide details for each of the three bond issues (year 2019, 2022 and 2025) including the principal, interest rates, interest costs and total debt service for each issuance.

Also included for your continued discussion is a proposed resolution that would authorize a ballot proposal for street improvement bonds at a special election on August 6, 2019.

<u>Home Market Value</u>	<u>Home Taxable Value</u>	Current Street Millage 0.2479 ANNUAL Cost	Current Street Millage 0.2479 MONTHLY Cost	Proposed Bond Millage 1.9500 ANNUAL Cost	Proposed Bond Millage 1.9500 MONTHLY Cost	<u>Increase per MONTH</u>
\$ 200,000.00	\$ 100,000.00	\$ 24.79	\$ 2.07	\$ 195.00	\$ 16.25	\$ 14.18
\$ 300,000.00	\$ 150,000.00	\$ 37.19	\$ 3.10	\$ 292.50	\$ 24.38	\$ 21.28
\$ 400,000.00	\$ 200,000.00	\$ 49.58	\$ 4.13	\$ 390.00	\$ 32.50	\$ 28.37

Charter Township of Meridian, Michigan
 Unlimited Tax General Obligation Bonds, Series 2019, Series 2022 and Series 2025
 Scenario 1 :: Aggregate Level Millage Impact (1.95 Mills Total | 1% Taxable Value Growth)

Tax Levy	Fiscal Year		2019 Bond Issue				2022 Bond Issue				2025 Bond Issue				Total Aggregate Debt Service	2018 Total Taxable Value	ESTIMATED Millage Impact	Revenues at 1.95 Mills
	December 1	Ending December 31	Principal	Interest Rate	Interest	Total Debt Service	Principal	Interest Rate	Interest	Total Debt Service	Principal	Interest Rate	Interest	Total Debt Service				
2019	2020	\$ 3,305,000	1.92%	\$ 235,171.81	\$ 3,540,172									\$ 3,540,172	\$ 1,823,448,000	\$ 1.9415	\$ 3,555,723.60	
2020	2021	\$ 3,415,000	1.93%	\$ 161,708.50	\$ 3,576,709									\$ 3,576,709	\$ 1,841,682,480	\$ 1.9421	\$ 3,591,280.84	
2021	2022	\$ 3,515,000	1.94%	\$ 95,799.00	\$ 3,610,799									\$ 3,610,799	\$ 1,860,099,305	\$ 1.9412	\$ 3,627,193.64	
2022	2023	\$ -	1.97%	\$ 27,608.00	\$ 27,608	\$ 3,325,000	2.42%	\$ 297,027.47	\$ 3,622,027					\$ 3,649,635	\$ 1,878,700,298	\$ 1.9426	\$ 3,663,465.58	
2023	2024	\$ 1,360,000	2.03%	\$ 27,608.00	\$ 1,387,608	\$ 2,095,000	2.43%	\$ 203,923.00	\$ 2,298,923					\$ 3,686,531	\$ 1,897,487,301	\$ 1.9428	\$ 3,700,100.24	
2024	2025	\$ -	2.32%	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,570,000	2.44%	\$ 153,014.50	\$ 3,723,015					\$ 3,723,015	\$ 1,916,462,174	\$ 1.9426	\$ 3,737,101.24	
2025	2026	\$ -	2.39%	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	2.47%	\$ 65,906.50	\$ 65,907	\$ 3,335,000	2.92%	\$ 356,432.86	\$ 3,691,433	\$ 3,757,339	\$ 1,935,626,796	\$ 1.9411	\$ 3,774,472.25	
2026	2027	\$ -	2.48%	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,605,000	2.53%	\$ 65,906.50	\$ 2,670,907	\$ 885,000	2.93%	\$ 243,883.50	\$ 1,128,884	\$ 3,799,790	\$ 1,954,983,064	\$ 1.9436	\$ 3,812,216.97	
2027	2028	\$ -	2.57%	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	2.82%	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,615,000	2.94%	\$ 217,953.00	\$ 3,832,953	\$ 3,832,953	\$ 1,974,532,894	\$ 1.9412	\$ 3,850,339.14	
2028	2029	\$ -	2.68%	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	2.89%	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,760,000	2.97%	\$ 111,672.00	\$ 3,871,672	\$ 3,871,672	\$ 1,994,278,223	\$ 1.9414	\$ 3,888,842.54	
		<u>\$ 11,595,000</u>		<u>\$ 547,895</u>	<u>\$ 12,142,895</u>	<u>\$ 11,595,000</u>		<u>\$ 785,778</u>	<u>\$ 12,380,778</u>	<u>\$ 11,595,000</u>		<u>\$ 929,941</u>	<u>\$ 12,524,941</u>	<u>\$ 37,048,615</u>				

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	Dated Date Delivery Date	11/15/2019 11/15/2019	11/15/2022 11/15/2022	11/15/2025 11/15/2025	
Sources:		Series 2019	Series 2022	Series 2025	Total
Bond Proceeds:					
Par Amount		11,595,000.00	11,595,000.00	11,595,000.00	34,785,000.00
		11,595,000.00	11,595,000.00	11,595,000.00	34,785,000.00
Uses:		Series 2019	Series 2022	Series 2025	Total
Project Fund Deposits:					
Deposit to the Project Fund		11,400,000.00	11,400,000.00	11,400,000.00	34,200,000.00
Cost of Issuance:					
Bond Counsel (Estimate)		50,000.00	50,000.00	50,000.00	150,000.00
Rating Agency (S&P)		20,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00	60,000.00
Official Statement		4,000.00	4,000.00	4,000.00	12,000.00
Auditor's Consent		1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	4,500.00
Paying Agent		500.00	500.00	500.00	1,500.00
Treasury, Publications and Miscellaneous		3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	9,000.00
		79,000.00	79,000.00	79,000.00	237,000.00
Delivery Date Expenses:					
Underwriter's Discount		115,950.00	115,950.00	115,950.00	347,850.00
Other Uses of Funds:					
Rounding Amount		50.00	50.00	50.00	150.00
		11,595,000.00	11,595,000.00	11,595,000.00	34,785,000.00

Notes:

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BOND PRICING

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Bond Component	Maturity Date	Amount	Rate	Yield	Price
Serial Bonds Through 2029, 11/15/2019:					
	12/01/2020	3,305,000	1.920%	1.920%	100.000
	12/01/2021	3,415,000	1.930%	1.930%	100.000
	12/01/2022	3,515,000	1.940%	1.940%	100.000
	12/01/2024	1,360,000	2.030%	2.030%	100.000
		<u>11,595,000</u>			
Serial Bonds Through 2029, 11/15/2022:					
	12/01/2023	3,325,000	2.420%	2.420%	100.000
	12/01/2024	2,095,000	2.430%	2.430%	100.000
	12/01/2025	3,570,000	2.440%	2.440%	100.000
	12/01/2027	2,605,000	2.530%	2.530%	100.000
		<u>11,595,000</u>			
Serial Bonds Through 2029, 11/15/2025:					
	12/01/2026	3,335,000	2.920%	2.920%	100.000
	12/01/2027	885,000	2.930%	2.930%	100.000
	12/01/2028	3,615,000	2.940%	2.940%	100.000
	12/01/2029	3,760,000	2.970%	2.970%	100.000
		<u>11,595,000</u>			
		<u>34,785,000</u>			

Dated Date	11/15/2019	
Delivery Date	11/15/2019	
Par Amount	34,785,000.00	
Original Issue Discount		
Production	34,785,000.00	100.000000%
Underwriter's Discount	<u>-347,850.00</u>	<u>-1.000000%</u>
Purchase Price	34,437,150.00	99.000000%
Accrued Interest		
Net Proceeds	<u>34,437,150.00</u>	



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Earliest Dated Date	11/15/2019
Earliest Delivery Date	11/15/2019
Last Maturity	12/01/2029
Arbitrage Yield	2.455264%
True Interest Cost (TIC)	2.854401%
Net Interest Cost (NIC)	1.334961%
NIC w/Interest only	1.157143%
NIC w/Interest & OID	1.157143%
NIC w/Interest, OID & Und. Discount	1.334961%
All-In TIC	3.129929%
Average Coupon	1.157143%
Average Life (years)	5.624
Par Amount	34,785,000.00
Bond Proceeds	34,785,000.00
Total Interest	2,263,614.64
Net Interest	2,611,464.64
Total Debt Service	37,048,614.64
Maximum Annual Debt Service	3,871,672.00
Average Annual Debt Service	3,688,468.27

Bond Component	Par Value	Price	Average Coupon	Average Life	PV of 1 bp change
Serial Bonds Through 2029	34,785,000.00	100.000	2.480%	2.624	8,717.80
	34,785,000.00			2.624	8,717.80

	TIC	All-In TIC	Arbitrage Yield
Par Value	34,785,000.00	34,785,000.00	34,785,000.00
+ Accrued Interest			
+ Premium (Discount)			
- Underwriter's Discount	-347,850.00	-347,850.00	
- Cost of Issuance Expense		-237,000.00	
- Other Amounts			
Target Value	34,437,150.00	34,200,150.00	34,785,000.00
Target Date	Multiple	Multiple	Multiple
Yield	2.854401%	3.129929%	2.455264%

BOND DEBT SERVICE

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Period Ending	Principal	Coupon	Interest	Debt Service	Annual Debt Service
06/01/2020			122,589.56	122,589.56	
12/01/2020	3,305,000	1.920%	112,582.25	3,417,582.25	
12/31/2020					3,540,171.81
06/01/2021			80,854.25	80,854.25	
12/01/2021	3,415,000	1.930%	80,854.25	3,495,854.25	
12/31/2021					3,576,708.50
06/01/2022			47,899.50	47,899.50	
12/01/2022	3,515,000	1.940%	47,899.50	3,562,899.50	
12/31/2022					3,610,799.00
06/01/2023			168,637.47	168,637.47	
12/01/2023	3,325,000	2.420%	155,998.00	3,480,998.00	
12/31/2023					3,649,635.47
06/01/2024			115,765.50	115,765.50	
12/01/2024	3,455,000	** %	115,765.50	3,570,765.50	
12/31/2024					3,686,531.00
06/01/2025			76,507.25	76,507.25	
12/01/2025	3,570,000	2.440%	76,507.25	3,646,507.25	
12/31/2025					3,723,014.50
06/01/2026			218,753.36	218,753.36	
12/01/2026	3,335,000	2.920%	203,586.00	3,538,586.00	
12/31/2026					3,757,339.36
06/01/2027			154,895.00	154,895.00	
12/01/2027	3,490,000	** %	154,895.00	3,644,895.00	
12/31/2027					3,799,790.00
06/01/2028			108,976.50	108,976.50	
12/01/2028	3,615,000	2.940%	108,976.50	3,723,976.50	
12/31/2028					3,832,953.00
06/01/2029			55,836.00	55,836.00	
12/01/2029	3,760,000	2.970%	55,836.00	3,815,836.00	
12/31/2029					3,871,672.00
	34,785,000		2,263,614.64	37,048,614.64	37,048,614.64

AGGREGATE DEBT SERVICE

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Period Ending	Series 2019	Series 2022	Series 2025	Aggregate Debt Service
12/31/2020	3,540,171.81			3,540,171.81
12/31/2021	3,576,708.50			3,576,708.50
12/31/2022	3,610,799.00			3,610,799.00
12/31/2023	27,608.00	3,622,027.47		3,649,635.47
12/31/2024	1,387,608.00	2,298,923.00		3,686,531.00
12/31/2025		3,723,014.50		3,723,014.50
12/31/2026		65,906.50	3,691,432.86	3,757,339.36
12/31/2027		2,670,906.50	1,128,883.50	3,799,790.00
12/31/2028			3,832,953.00	3,832,953.00
12/31/2029			3,871,672.00	3,871,672.00
	12,142,895.31	12,380,777.97	12,524,941.36	37,048,614.64

BOND PRICING

Charter Township of Meridian, Michigan
Series 2019

Bond Component	Maturity Date	Amount	Rate	Yield	Price
Serial Bonds Through 2029:					
	12/01/2020	3,305,000	1.920%	1.920%	100.000
	12/01/2021	3,415,000	1.930%	1.930%	100.000
	12/01/2022	3,515,000	1.940%	1.940%	100.000
	12/01/2024	1,360,000	2.030%	2.030%	100.000
		11,595,000			

Dated Date	11/15/2019	
Delivery Date	11/15/2019	
First Coupon	06/01/2020	
Par Amount	11,595,000.00	
Original Issue Discount		
Production	11,595,000.00	100.000000%
Underwriter's Discount	-115,950.00	-1.000000%
Purchase Price	11,479,050.00	99.000000%
Accrued Interest		
Net Proceeds	11,479,050.00	

BOND SUMMARY STATISTICS

Charter Township of Meridian, Michigan
Series 2019

Dated Date	11/15/2019
Delivery Date	11/15/2019
Last Maturity	12/01/2024
Arbitrage Yield	2.455264%
True Interest Cost (TIC)	2.388039%
Net Interest Cost (NIC)	2.371271%
NIC w/Interest only	1.957095%
NIC w/Interest & OID	1.957095%
NIC w/Interest, OID & Und. Discount	2.371271%
All-In TIC	2.685837%
Average Coupon	1.957095%
Average Life (years)	2.414
Duration of Issue (years)	2.351
Par Amount	11,595,000.00
Bond Proceeds	11,595,000.00
Total Interest	547,895.31
Net Interest	663,845.31
Total Debt Service	12,142,895.31
Maximum Annual Debt Service	3,610,799.00
Average Annual Debt Service	2,407,181.89

Bond Component	Par Value	Price	Average Coupon	Average Life	PV of 1 bp change
Serial Bonds Through 2029	11,595,000.00	100.000	1.957%	2.414	2,685.65
	11,595,000.00			2.414	2,685.65

	TIC	All-In TIC	Arbitrage Yield
Par Value	11,595,000.00	11,595,000.00	11,595,000.00
+ Accrued Interest			
+ Premium (Discount)			
- Underwriter's Discount	-115,950.00	-115,950.00	
- Cost of Issuance Expense		-79,000.00	
- Other Amounts			
Target Value	11,479,050.00	11,400,050.00	11,595,000.00
Target Date	11/15/2019	11/15/2019	11/15/2019
Yield	2.388039%	2.685837%	2.455264%

BOND DEBT SERVICE

Charter Township of Meridian, Michigan
Series 2019

Dated Date 11/15/2019
Delivery Date 11/15/2019

Period Ending	Principal	Coupon	Interest	Debt Service	Annual Debt Service
06/01/2020			122,589.56	122,589.56	
12/01/2020	3,305,000	1.920%	112,582.25	3,417,582.25	
12/31/2020					3,540,171.81
06/01/2021			80,854.25	80,854.25	
12/01/2021	3,415,000	1.930%	80,854.25	3,495,854.25	
12/31/2021					3,576,708.50
06/01/2022			47,899.50	47,899.50	
12/01/2022	3,515,000	1.940%	47,899.50	3,562,899.50	
12/31/2022					3,610,799.00
06/01/2023			13,804.00	13,804.00	
12/01/2023			13,804.00	13,804.00	
12/31/2023					27,608.00
06/01/2024			13,804.00	13,804.00	
12/01/2024	1,360,000	2.030%	13,804.00	1,373,804.00	
12/31/2024					1,387,608.00
	11,595,000		547,895.31	12,142,895.31	12,142,895.31

BOND PRICING

Charter Township of Meridian, Michigan
Series 2022

Bond Component	Maturity Date	Amount	Rate	Yield	Price
Serial Bonds Through 2029:					
	12/01/2023	3,325,000	2.420%	2.420%	100.000
	12/01/2024	2,095,000	2.430%	2.430%	100.000
	12/01/2025	3,570,000	2.440%	2.440%	100.000
	12/01/2027	2,605,000	2.530%	2.530%	100.000
		11,595,000			

Dated Date	11/15/2022	
Delivery Date	11/15/2022	
First Coupon	06/01/2023	
Par Amount	11,595,000.00	
Original Issue Discount		
Production	11,595,000.00	100.000000%
Underwriter's Discount	-115,950.00	-1.000000%
Purchase Price	11,479,050.00	99.000000%
Accrued Interest		
Net Proceeds	11,479,050.00	

BOND SUMMARY STATISTICS

Charter Township of Meridian, Michigan
Series 2022

Earliest Dated Date	11/15/2022
Earliest Delivery Date	11/15/2022
Last Maturity	12/01/2027
Arbitrage Yield	2.455264%
True Interest Cost (TIC)	2.858663%
Net Interest Cost (NIC)	2.838717%
NIC w/Interest only	2.473697%
NIC w/Interest & OID	2.473697%
NIC w/Interest, OID & Und. Discount	2.838717%
All-In TIC	3.125017%
Average Coupon	2.473697%
Average Life (years)	2.740
Par Amount	11,595,000.00
Bond Proceeds	11,595,000.00
Total Interest	785,777.97
Net Interest	901,727.97
Total Debt Service	12,380,777.97
Maximum Annual Debt Service	3,723,014.50
Average Annual Debt Service	2,454,339.25

Bond Component	Par Value	Price	Average Coupon	Average Life	PV of 1 bp change
Serial Bonds Through 2029	11,595,000.00	100.000	2.474%	2.740	3,011.15
	11,595,000.00			2.740	3,011.15

	TIC	All-In TIC	Arbitrage Yield
Par Value	11,595,000.00	11,595,000.00	11,595,000.00
+ Accrued Interest			
+ Premium (Discount)			
- Underwriter's Discount	-115,950.00	-115,950.00	
- Cost of Issuance Expense		-79,000.00	
- Other Amounts			
Target Value	11,479,050.00	11,400,050.00	11,595,000.00
Target Date	Multiple	Multiple	Multiple
Yield	2.858663%	3.125017%	2.455264%



BOND DEBT SERVICE

Charter Township of Meridian, Michigan
Series 2022

Dated Date 11/15/2022
Delivery Date 11/15/2022

Period Ending	Principal	Coupon	Interest	Debt Service	Annual Debt Service
06/01/2023			154,833.47	154,833.47	
12/01/2023	3,325,000	2.420%	142,194.00	3,467,194.00	
12/31/2023					3,622,027.47
06/01/2024			101,961.50	101,961.50	
12/01/2024	2,095,000	2.430%	101,961.50	2,196,961.50	
12/31/2024					2,298,923.00
06/01/2025			76,507.25	76,507.25	
12/01/2025	3,570,000	2.440%	76,507.25	3,646,507.25	
12/31/2025					3,723,014.50
06/01/2026			32,953.25	32,953.25	
12/01/2026			32,953.25	32,953.25	
12/31/2026					65,906.50
06/01/2027			32,953.25	32,953.25	
12/01/2027	2,605,000	2.530%	32,953.25	2,637,953.25	
12/31/2027					2,670,906.50
	11,595,000		785,777.97	12,380,777.97	12,380,777.97



BOND PRICING

Charter Township of Meridian, Michigan
Series 2025

Bond Component	Maturity Date	Amount	Rate	Yield	Price
Serial Bonds Through 2029:					
	12/01/2026	3,335,000	2.920%	2.920%	100.000
	12/01/2027	885,000	2.930%	2.930%	100.000
	12/01/2028	3,615,000	2.940%	2.940%	100.000
	12/01/2029	3,760,000	2.970%	2.970%	100.000
		11,595,000			

Dated Date	11/15/2025	
Delivery Date	11/15/2025	
First Coupon	06/01/2026	
Par Amount	11,595,000.00	
Original Issue Discount		
Production	11,595,000.00	100.000000%
Underwriter's Discount	-115,950.00	-1.000000%
Purchase Price	11,479,050.00	99.000000%
Accrued Interest		
Net Proceeds	11,479,050.00	



BOND SUMMARY STATISTICS

Charter Township of Meridian, Michigan
Series 2025

Earliest Dated Date	11/15/2025
Earliest Delivery Date	11/15/2025
Last Maturity	12/01/2029
Arbitrage Yield	2.455264%
True Interest Cost (TIC)	3.342331%
Net Interest Cost (NIC)	3.319728%
NIC w/Interest only	2.951695%
NIC w/Interest & OID	2.951695%
NIC w/Interest, OID & Und. Discount	3.319728%
All-In TIC	3.612132%
Average Coupon	2.951695%
Average Life (years)	2.717
Par Amount	11,595,000.00
Bond Proceeds	11,595,000.00
Total Interest	929,941.36
Net Interest	1,045,891.36
Total Debt Service	12,524,941.36
Maximum Annual Debt Service	3,871,672.00
Average Annual Debt Service	3,096,826.16

Bond Component	Par Value	Price	Average Coupon	Average Life	PV of 1 bp change
Serial Bonds Through 2029	11,595,000.00	100.000	2.952%	2.717	3,021.00
	11,595,000.00			2.717	3,021.00

	TIC	All-In TIC	Arbitrage Yield
Par Value	11,595,000.00	11,595,000.00	11,595,000.00
+ Accrued Interest			
+ Premium (Discount)			
- Underwriter's Discount	-115,950.00	-115,950.00	
- Cost of Issuance Expense		-79,000.00	
- Other Amounts			
Target Value	11,479,050.00	11,400,050.00	11,595,000.00
Target Date	Multiple	Multiple	Multiple
Yield	3.342331%	3.612132%	2.455264%

BOND DEBT SERVICE

Charter Township of Meridian, Michigan
Series 2025

Dated Date 11/15/2025
Delivery Date 11/15/2025

Period Ending	Principal	Coupon	Interest	Debt Service	Annual Debt Service
06/01/2026			185,800.11	185,800.11	
12/01/2026	3,335,000	2.920%	170,632.75	3,505,632.75	
12/31/2026					3,691,432.86
06/01/2027			121,941.75	121,941.75	
12/01/2027	885,000	2.930%	121,941.75	1,006,941.75	
12/31/2027					1,128,883.50
06/01/2028			108,976.50	108,976.50	
12/01/2028	3,615,000	2.940%	108,976.50	3,723,976.50	
12/31/2028					3,832,953.00
06/01/2029			55,836.00	55,836.00	
12/01/2029	3,760,000	2.970%	55,836.00	3,815,836.00	
12/31/2029					3,871,672.00
	11,595,000		929,941.36	12,524,941.36	12,524,941.36

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Preliminary, Estimated Interest Rates as of April 9, 2019

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**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MERIDIAN
(Ingham County, Michigan)**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING BALLOT PROPOSAL
FOR STREET IMPROVEMENT BONDS**

A _____ meeting of the Township Board of the Charter Township of Meridian (the “Township”) was held in the Township Hall, 5151 Marsh Road, Okemos, Michigan, on _____, 2019, at _____ p.m. local time.

PRESENT: _____

ABSENT: _____

The following preamble and resolution were offered by Member _____ and supported by Member _____:

WHEREAS, the Township Board has determined that it is in the best interest of the Township to submit a question to the electors of the Township regarding street improvement projects for the Township and related expenses and improvements; and

WHEREAS, the Township Board has determined that it would be necessary to borrow money and issue its bonds to finance the acquisition and construction of the street improvement projects; and

WHEREAS, the Township Board wishes to submit the question to the voters at an election to be held on August 6, 2019.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that:

1. The following proposition shall be submitted to the electors of the Township at the August 6, 2019, election:

STREET IMPROVEMENT BOND PROPOSAL

Shall the Charter Township of Meridian, Ingham County, Michigan (the “Township”), borrow the principal amount of not to exceed \$35,250,000 and issue its general obligation unlimited tax bonds for all or a portion of that amount in one or more series payable over not to exceed 6 years from the date of issue of each series to pay the cost of designing, acquiring, constructing, maintaining and improving streets and related improvements within the Township?

The estimated millage to be levied in the first year of levy is 1.9428 mills (\$1.9428) for each \$1,000 of taxable value) and the estimated simple average annual millage rate required to retire the bonds over approximately 10 years is 1.9429 mills (\$1.9429 for each \$1,000 of taxable value).

YES

NO

2. A special Township election is called to be held on August 6, 2019.
3. The Township Clerk is authorized and direct to certify the proposition to the County Clerk.
4. The Township Clerk is hereby further authorized and directed to cause Notice of the Last Day of Registration and Notice of Election to be posted and also to be published in such a manner and at such times as required by law.
5. The Township Clerk, Township Attorney and all other Township officials are authorized and directed to take any and all actions necessary to have the proposal placed on the ballot for a special Township election to be held on August 6, 2019.
6. All existing or previous resolutions and parts of resolutions, insofar as they may conflict with the provisions of this resolution, are hereby rescinded to the extent necessary to avoid such conflict.

YEAS: _____

NAYS: _____

ABSTAIN: _____

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED.

Brett Dreyfus, Clerk

CERTIFICATION

The undersigned, duly qualified and acting Clerk of the Charter Township of Meridian, Ingham County, Michigan, hereby certifies that the foregoing constitutes a true and complete copy of a resolution adopted by said Township Board at a _____ meeting held on _____, 2019, the original of which is part of the Township Board's minutes. The undersigned further certifies that notice of the meeting was given to the public pursuant to the provisions of the Act 267, Public Acts of Michigan, 1976, as amended.

Dated: _____, 2019

Brett Dreyfus, Clerk



To: Township Board

From: Mark Kieselbach, Director of Community Planning and Development

Date: April 17, 2019

Re: Central Park Drive/Newman Road – Road Diet

The Transportation Commission at the request of the Ingham County Road Department (ICRD) held a public hearing on March 21, 2019 regarding reducing the number of lanes on Central Park Drive and Newman Road from 4 to 3. The proposed “Road Diet” is part of a resurfacing project for Central Park Drive from Okemos Road to Grand River Avenue and Newman Road from Marsh Road to Central Park Drive in 2019. The project will convert the existing 4 lanes with two through lanes in each direction to 3 lanes with one through lane in each direction and a center left turn lane. The remaining pavement width between the vehicle lane and the paved shoulder can be used for non-motorized travel.

The cost to identify the paved shoulder as a bike lane through pavement markings and or signage is the Township’s responsibility. Director Perry will be working with the ICRD to determine the cost. An email from the Managing Director at the ICRD, Bill Conklin, explaining the project is attached. There is no expected impact to traffic capacity or change in intersection capacity.

At the hearing the Transportation Commission also discussed reducing the number of lanes on Hamilton Road east of Dobie Road from 4 lanes to 3 lanes. Director Conklin thought it was a good idea and will include the road diet when the road is resurfaced. The Transportation Commission voted unanimously to recommend a road diet for Central Park Drive, Newman Road and Hamilton Road. The following motion for the Board’s consideration has been provided.

Move to support a road diet for Central Park Drive from Okemos Road to Grand River Avenue, Newman Road from Marsh Road to Central Park Drive and Hamilton Road from Dobie Road to Grand River Avenue.

Attachments

- 1. Email from Bill Conklin dated March 14, 2019.
- 2. Road Plans.

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Mark Kieselbach

From: Conklin, William <WConklin@ingham.org>
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2019 6:28 PM
To: Mark Kieselbach
Cc: Jones, Kelly
Subject: RE: Central Park Drive
Attachments: SHEET_18_CONST_Plan_Central_Park_STA 100+23 To 118+00.pdf; SHEET_19_CONST_Plan_Central_Park_STA 118+00 To 136+00.pdf; SHEET_20_CONST_Plan_Central_Park_STA 136+00 To 153+00.pdf; SHEET_21_CONST_Plan_Central_Park_STA 153+00 To 171+00.pdf; SHEET_22_CONST_Plan_Central_Park_STA 171+00 To 184+29.pdf; SHEET_23_CONST_Plan_Newman_STA 10+63 To 26+00.pdf; SHEET_24_CONST_Plan_Newman_STA 26+00 To 29+19.pdf

The attached plans and this email should be submitted to Meridian Township's Transportation Commission for consideration of the proposed "Road Diet" (conversion of existing 4 lanes to 3 lanes) on Central Park Drive between Okemos Road and Grand River Ave. (M-43) and on Newman Road between Marsh Road and Central Park as part of planned asphalt resurfacing of these roads in 2019.

As with the prior Road Diet on Lake Lansing Road, Okemos to Marsh Roads, and that also planned with resurfacing in 2019 on Lake Lansing Road, Hagadorn Road to Saginaw Highway (BL 69) and previously approved by the Township, a road diet typically involves converting a 4 lane road having 2 through/turn lanes in each direction to 3 lanes with a two-way center left turn lane, and one through/right turn lane in each direction. The remaining pavement width is allocated for use as paved shoulder on both sides, delineated by a solid white lane line between the vehicle lane and the paved shoulder, which may be used for non-motorized travel.

Central Park carries an average of under 8,000 vehicles per day, which varies somewhat with location. Newman Road carries an average of less than 5,000 vehicles per day. Federal guidance for considering road diets advises that single through/turn lanes having minimal turn locations, such as along Central Park, have a typical traffic capacity of approximately 15,000 vehicles per day. Thus the road diet configuration is expected to have more than sufficient capacity.

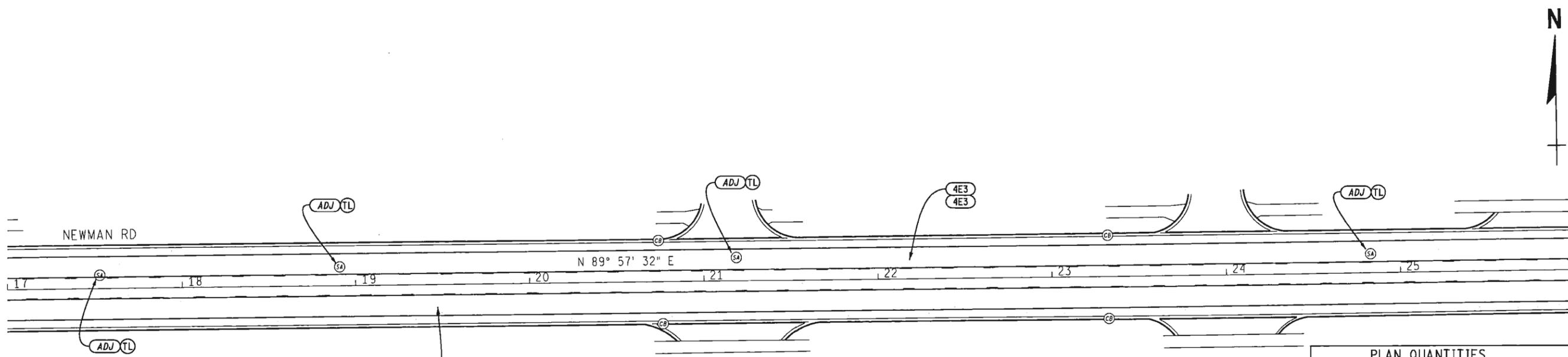
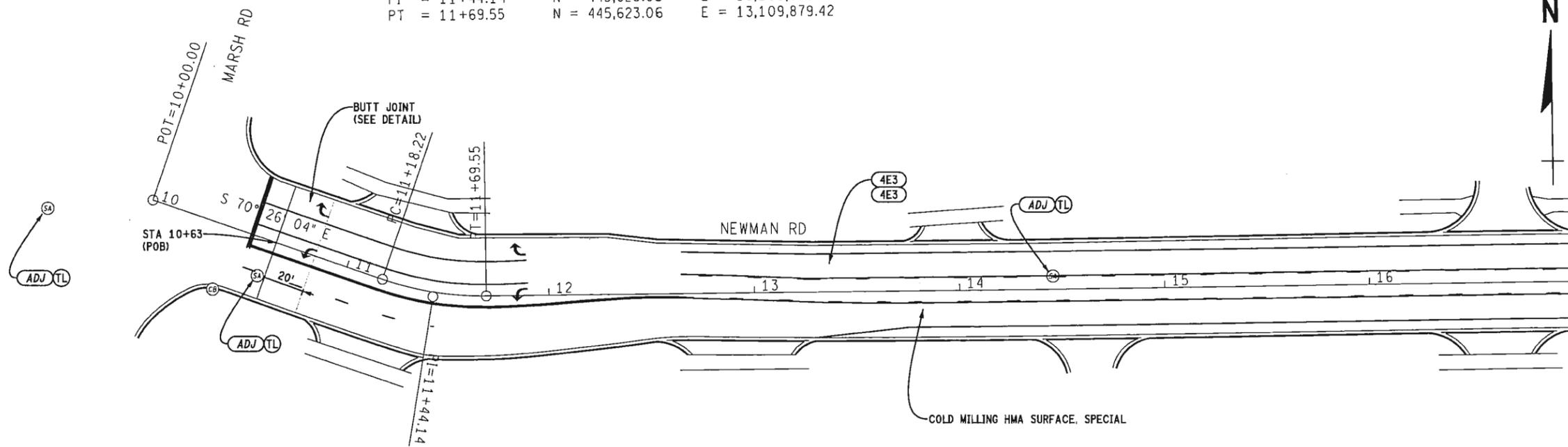
The configurations of the main intersections on Central Park at Okemos, at Marsh, and at Grand River will not change except the current outer through/right turn lanes on Central Park at Marsh will become right turn only. This should not change the capacity of the intersection as the outer lanes on Central Park at Marsh are used significantly for right turns, and again the inner through lane will have sufficient capacity for through traffic.

Similarly at Central Park and Newman, the current 2 approaching lanes (not including 2 departing) on each leg (inner through/left turn and outer through/right turn) will be replaced by the center left turn lane and one through/right turn lane. Given existing relatively low turn movement volumes, and more than sufficient through capacity as described above, this will have little or no net change in intersection capacity.

For the above reasons, no formal traffic study has been performed on the proposed Central Park/Newman road diets. In summary, with existing traffic flow well below single lane typical capacity and only minor changes to the intersections, no net change in traffic flow is expected with the proposed road diets.

ICRD staff will attend the March 21 Transportation Commission meeting to answer any further questions on the subject projects.

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 PT = 11+69.55 N = 445,623.06 E = 13,109,879.42



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1760 Ton	HMA, 4E3
2871 Ft	Pavt Mrkg, Waterborne, 4 inch, White
1096 Ft	Pavt Mrkg, Waterborne, 4 inch, Yellow
36 Ft	Pavt Mrkg, Ovly Cold Plastic, 24 inch, Stop Bar
2 Ea	Pavt Mrkg, Ovly Cold Plastic, Rt Turn Arrow Sym
2 Ea	Pavt Mrkg, Ovly Cold Plastic, Lt Turn Arrow Sym
6 Ea	Dr Structure, Temp Lowering
6 Ea	Sanitary Structure Cover, Adj, Case 1
8 Ea	Erosion Control, Inlet Protection, Fabric Bag

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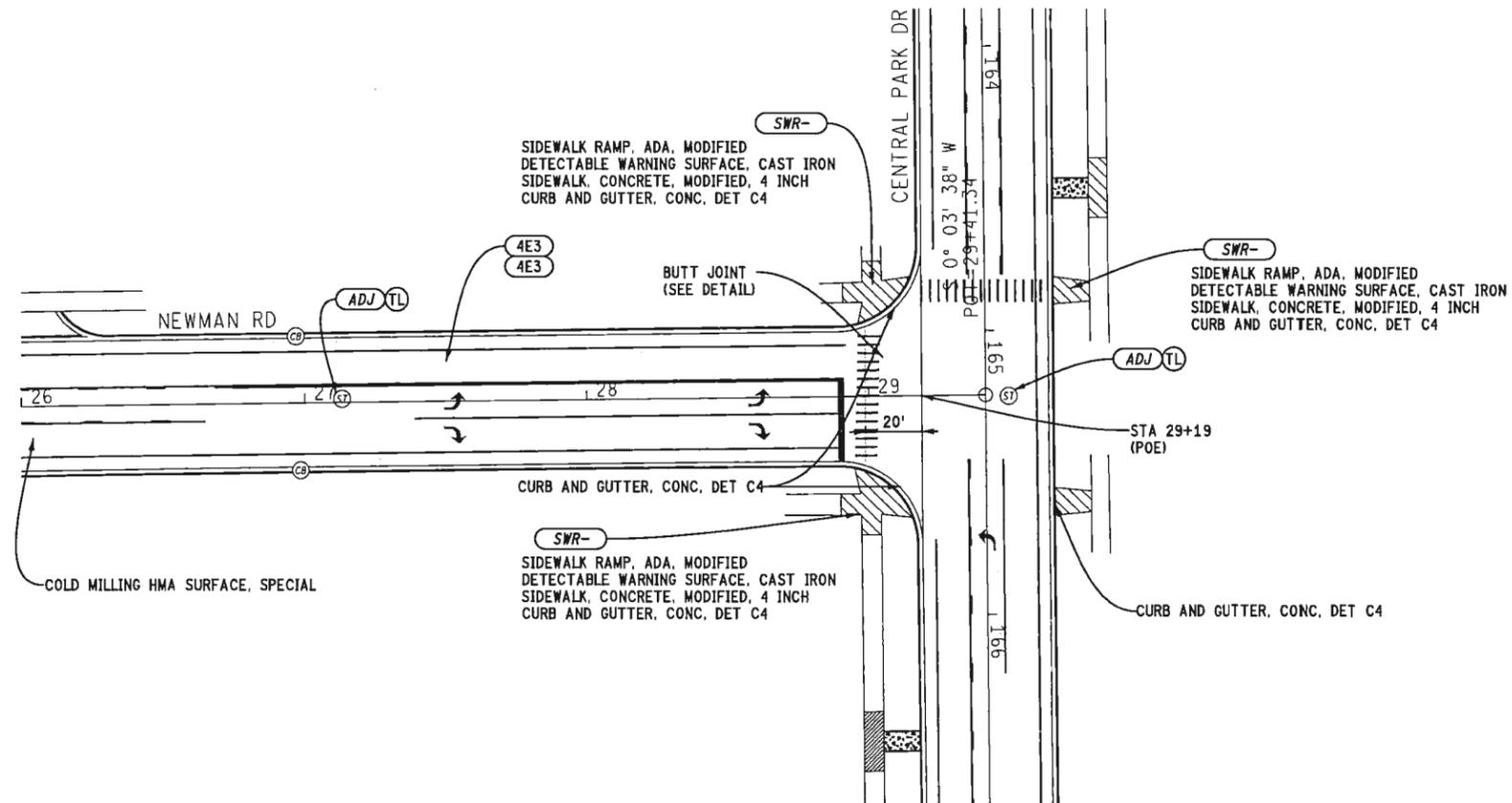


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PLAN
 NEWMAN RD
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DRAWING SHEET
 PLAN 23



PLAN QUANTITIES

1609 Syd	Cold Milling HMA Surface, Special
354 Ton	HMA, 4E3
22 Syd	HMA Surface, Rem
10 Ton	Hand Patching
112 Ft	Curb and Gutter, Rem
112 Ft	Curb and Gutter, Conc, Det C4
724 Ft	Pavt Mrkg, Waterborne, 4 inch, White
472 Ft	Pavt Mrkg, Waterborne, 4 inch, Yellow
1 Ea	Dr Structure, Temp Lowering
1 Ea	Dr Structure Cover, Adj, Case 1
2 Ea	Erosion Control, Inlet Protection, Fabric Bag
42 Sft	Detectable Warning Surface, Cast Iron
320 Sft	Sidewalk Ramp, ADA Modified

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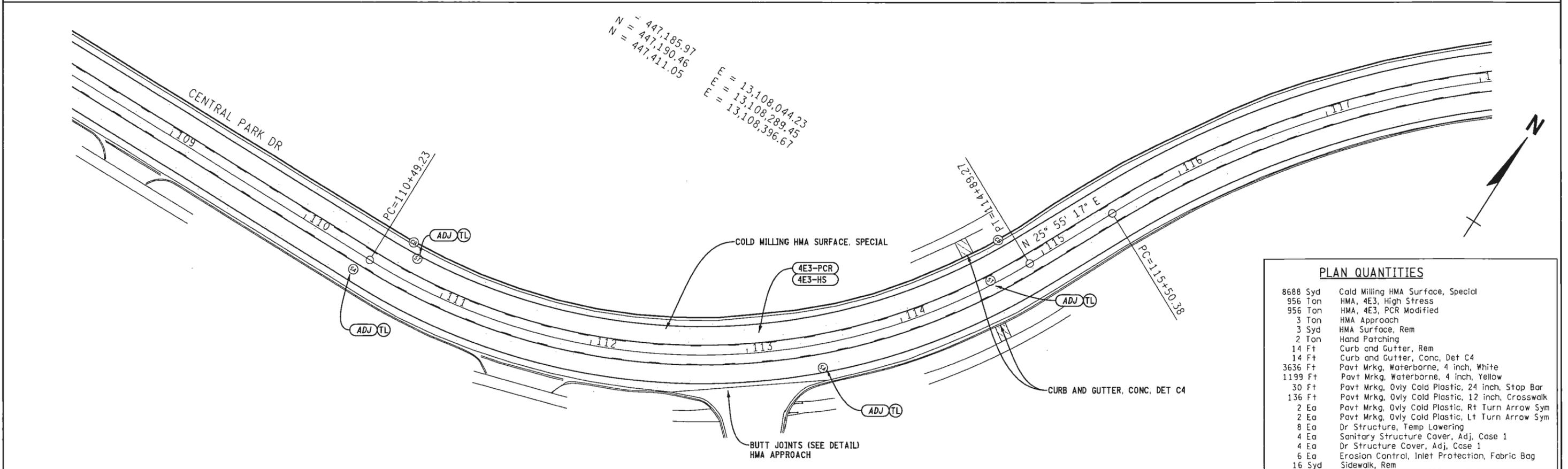
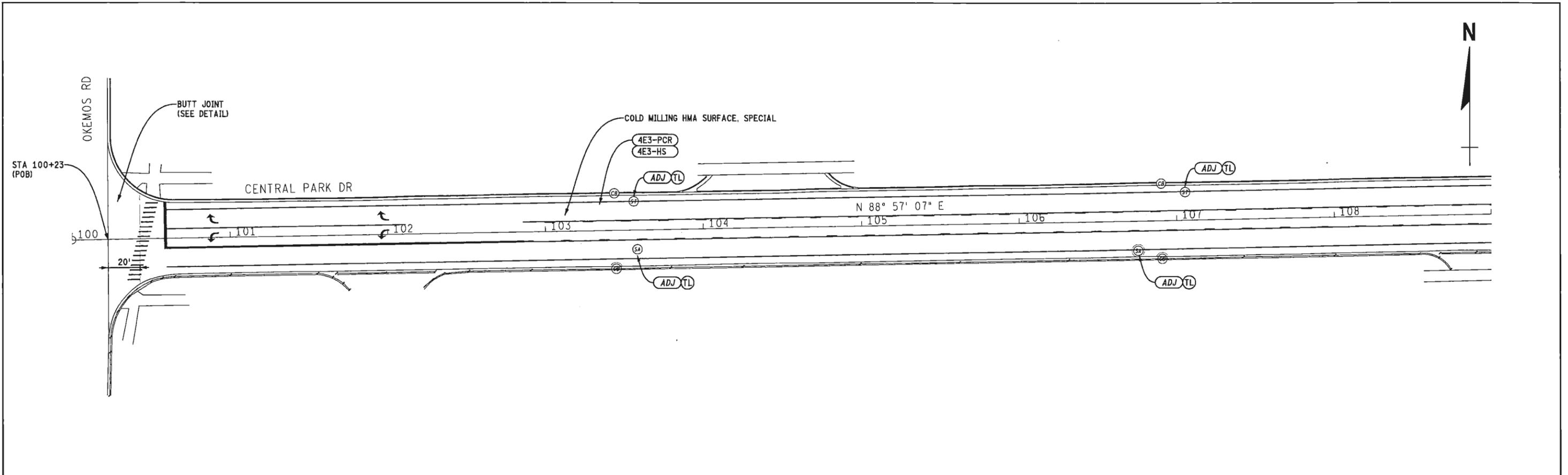


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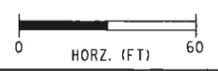


PLAN QUANTITIES	
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956 Ton	HMA, 4E3, High Stress
956 Ton	HMA, 4E3, PCR Modified
3 Ton	HMA Approach
3 Syd	HMA Surface, Rem
2 Ton	Hand Patching
14 Ft	Curb and Gutter, Rem
14 Ft	Curb and Gutter, Conc, Det C4
3636 Ft	Pavt Mrkg, Waterborne, 4 inch, White
1199 Ft	Pavt Mrkg, Waterborne, 4 inch, Yellow
30 Ft	Pavt Mrkg, Ovly Cold Plastic, 24 inch, Stop Bar
136 Ft	Pavt Mrkg, Ovly Cold Plastic, 12 inch, Crosswalk
2 Ea	Pavt Mrkg, Ovly Cold Plastic, Rt Turn Arrow Sym
2 Ea	Pavt Mrkg, Ovly Cold Plastic, Lt Turn Arrow Sym
8 Ea	Dr Structure, Temp Lowering
4 Ea	Sanitary Structure Cover, Adj, Case 1
4 Ea	Dr Structure Cover, Adj, Case 1
6 Ea	Erosion Control, Inlet Protection, Fabric Bag
16 Syd	Sidewalk, Rem

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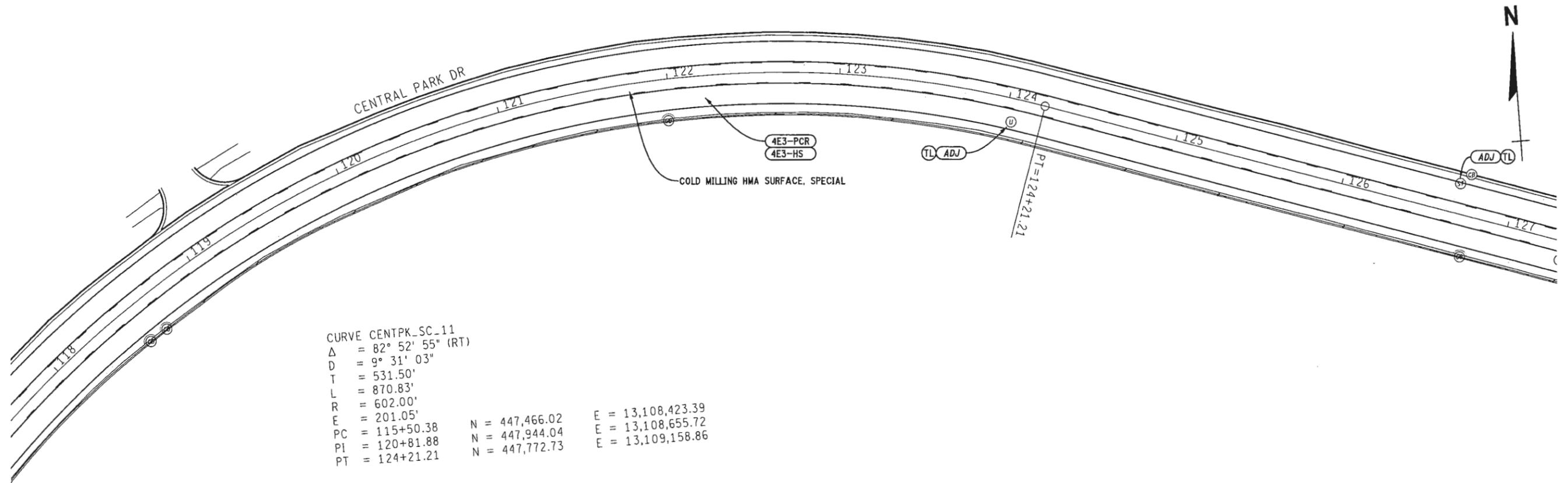


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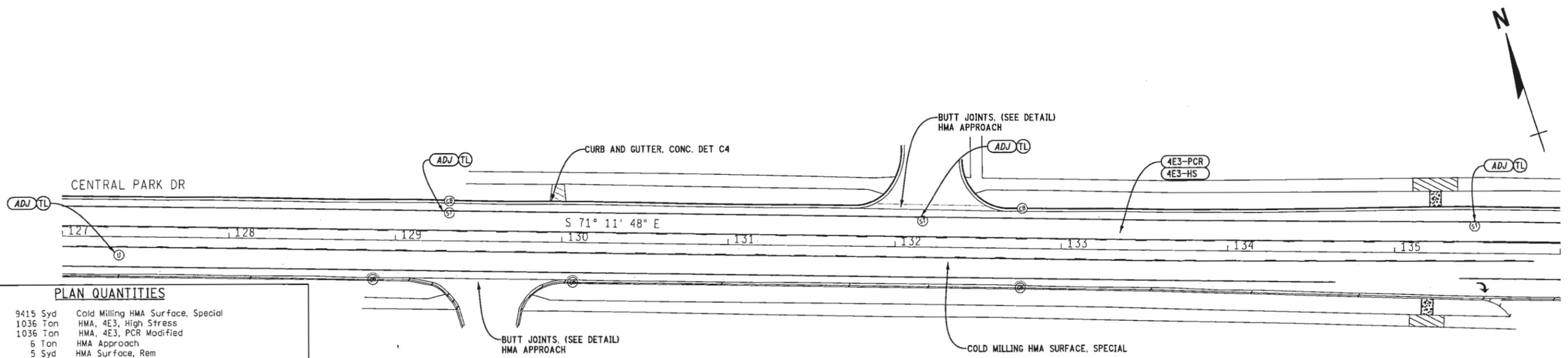


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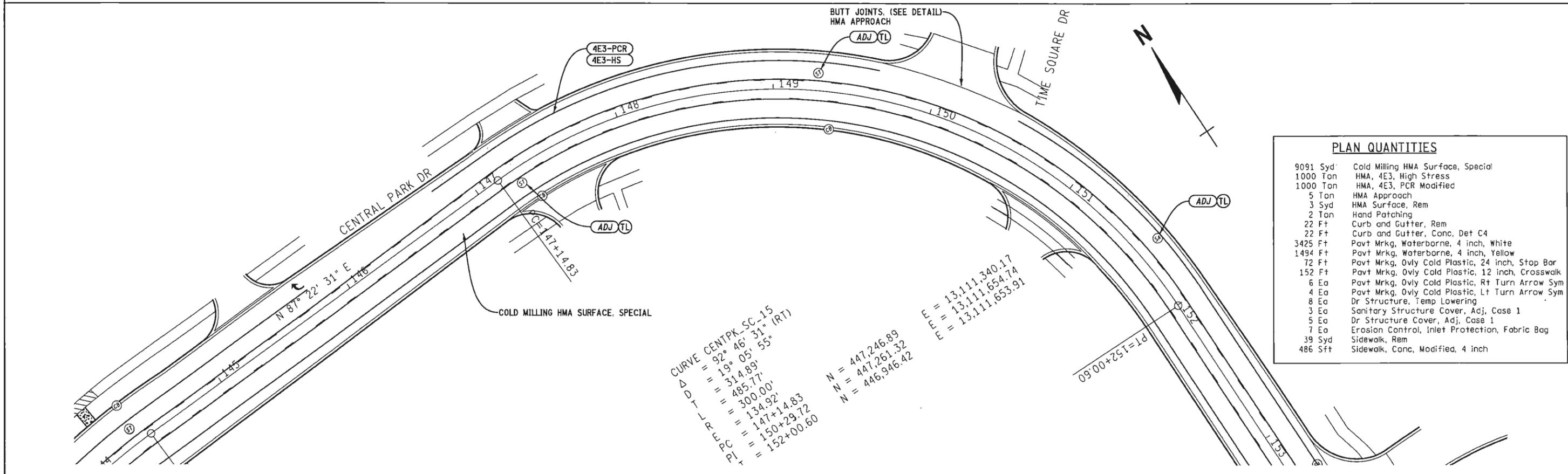
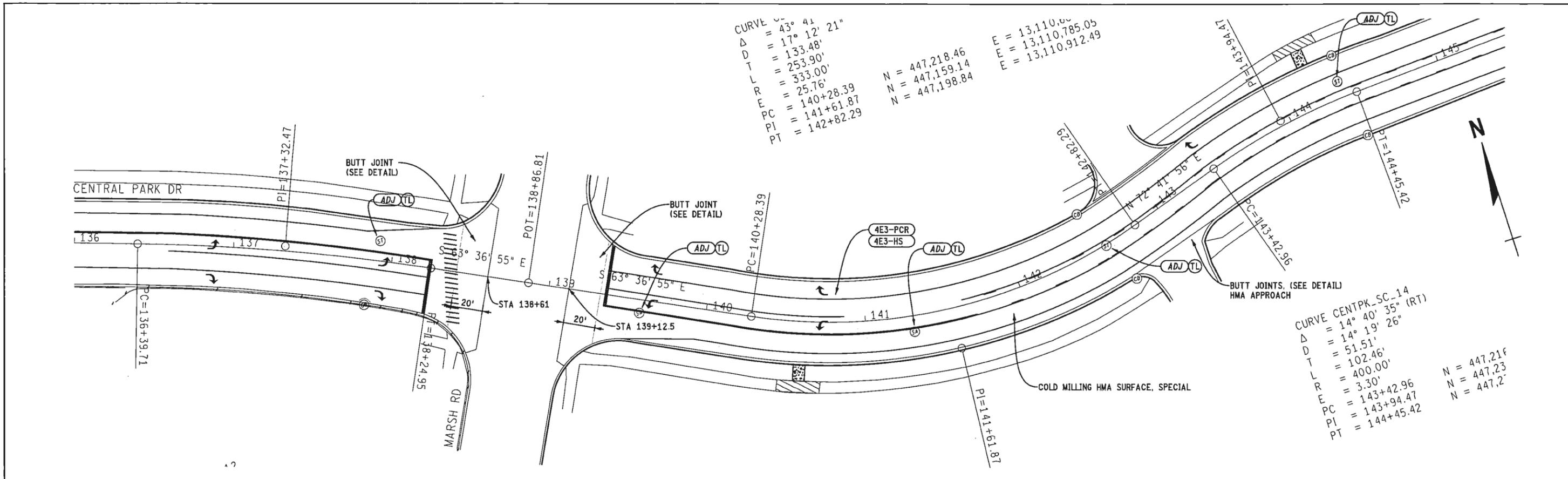


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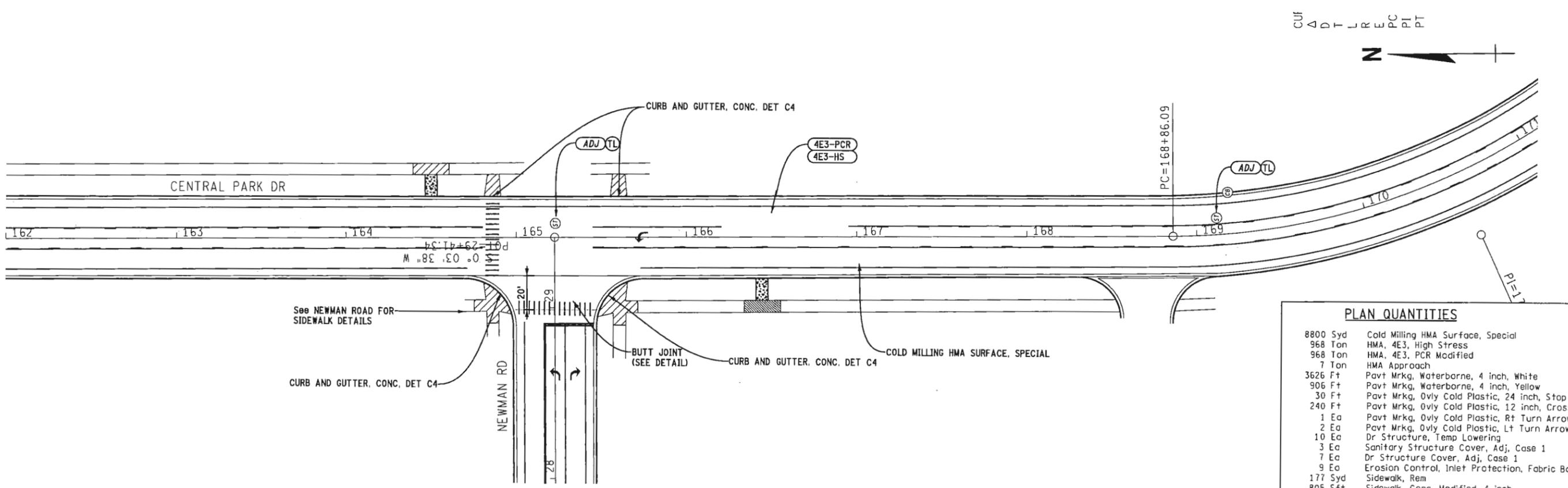
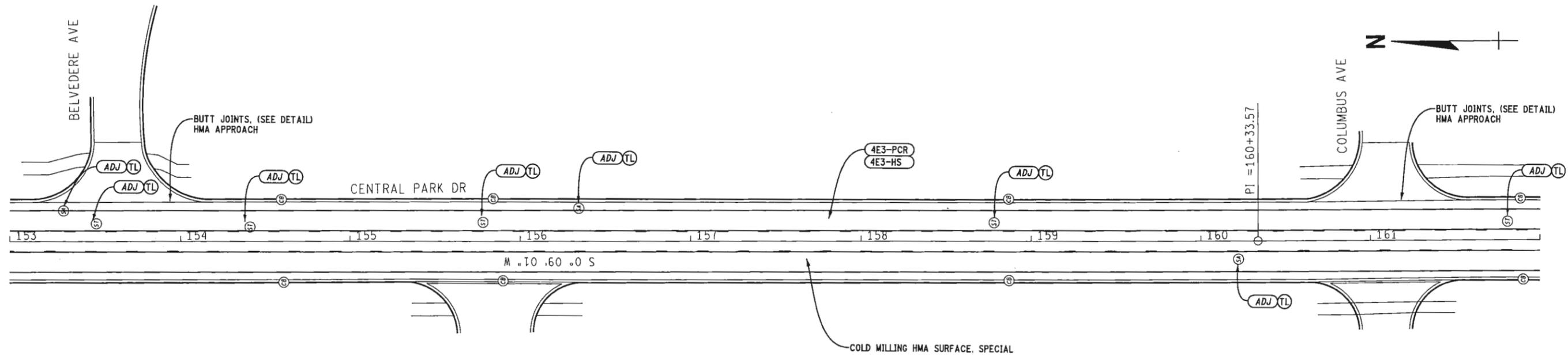


PLAN QUANTITIES

9415 Syd	Cold Milling HMA Surface, Special
1036 Ton	HMA, 4E3, High Stress
1036 Ton	HMA, 4E3, PCR Modified
6 Ton	HMA Approach
5 Syd	HMA Surface, Rem
3 Ton	Hand Patching
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24 Ft	Curb and Gutter, Conc, Det C4
3604 Ft	Pavt Mrkg, Waterborne, 4 inch, White
987 Ft	Pavt Mrkg, Waterborne, 4 inch, Yellow
1 Ea	Pavt Mrkg, Ovly Cold Plastic, Rt Turn Arrow Sym
6 Ea	Dr Structure, Temp Lowering
2 Ea	Sanitary Structure Cover, Adj, Case 1
4 Ea	Dr Structure Cover, Adj, Case 1
10 Ea	Erosion Control, Inlet Protection, Fabric Bag
50 Syd	Sidewalk, Rem
495 Sft	Sidewalk, Conc, Modified, 4 inch



PLAN QUANTITIES	
9091 Syd	Cold Milling HMA Surface, Special
1000 Ton	HMA, 4E3, High Stress
1000 Ton	HMA, 4E3, PCR Modified
5 Ton	HMA Approach
3 Syd	HMA Surface, Rem
2 Ton	Hand Patching
22 Ft	Curb and Gutter, Rem
22 Ft	Curb and Gutter, Conc, Det C4
3425 Ft	Pavt Mrkg, Waterborne, 4 inch, White
1494 Ft	Pavt Mrkg, Waterborne, 4 inch, Yellow
72 Ft	Pavt Mrkg, Ovly Cold Plastic, 24 inch, Stop Bar
152 Ft	Pavt Mrkg, Ovly Cold Plastic, 12 inch, Crosswalk
6 Ea	Pavt Mrkg, Ovly Cold Plastic, Rt Turn Arrow Sym
4 Ea	Pavt Mrkg, Ovly Cold Plastic, Lt Turn Arrow Sym
8 Ea	Dr Structure, Temp Lowering
3 Ea	Sanitary Structure Cover, Adj, Case 1
5 Ea	Dr Structure Cover, Adj, Case 1
7 Ea	Erosion Control, Inlet Protection, Fabric Bag
39 Syd	Sidewalk, Rem
486 Sft	Sidewalk, Conc, Modified, 4 inch

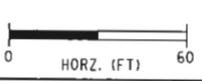


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968 Ton	HMA, 4E3, PCR Modified
7 Ton	HMA Approach
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906 Ft	Pavt Mrkg, Waterborne, 4 inch, Yellow
30 Ft	Pavt Mrkg, Ovl Cold Plastic, 24 inch, Stop Bar
240 Ft	Pavt Mrkg, Ovl Cold Plastic, 12 inch, Crosswalk
1 Ea	Pavt Mrkg, Ovl Cold Plastic, Rt Turn Arrow Sym
2 Ea	Pavt Mrkg, Ovl Cold Plastic, Lt Turn Arrow Sym
10 Ea	Dr Structure, Temp Lowering
3 Ea	Sanitary Structure Cover, Adj, Case 1
7 Ea	Dr Structure Cover, Adj, Case 1
9 Ea	Erosion Control, Inlet Protection, Fabric Bag
177 Syd	Sidewalk, Rem
805 Sft	Sidewalk, Conc, Modified, 4 inch

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 PLAN 21



To: Board Members
From: Michael Hamel, Fire Chief
Date: April 18, 2019
Re: 2018 International Fire Code with Township Amendments

The 2018 International Fire Code is the most recent edition of the fire code as published by the International Code Council. It is a companion code to the International Building Code, of which the Michigan Building Code is built off from, and enacted by state statute. In an effort to remain current with rapidly changing State and Local laws regarding food trucks and marijuana facilities, I am requesting the Township Board formally adopt the 2018 International Fire Code by ordinance.

**ORDINANCE NO. 2019-07
CHAPTER 26
TOWNSHIP BOARD
SECTIONS 26-26 & 26-27
FINAL ADOPTION**

RESOLUTION

At a meeting of the Township Board of the Charter Township of Meridian, Ingham County, Michigan, held at the Meridian Municipal building in said township on the 9th day of May 2019 at 6:00 p.m. local time.

PRESENT: _____

ABSENT: _____

The following resolution was offered by _____ and supported by _____.

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 23 of the Charter Township Act, being MCL 42.23, the Charter Township of Meridian may adopt any provision of state law or detailed technical regulation as a township ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the Township Board has previously adopted a Uniform Fire Code being Article II of Chapter 26 of the Township's Code of Ordinances; and

WHEREAS, the Township Uniform Fire Code Article II of Chapter 26 incorporates by reference the 2015 International Fire Code, as published by the International Conference of Building Officials; and

WHEREAS, the International Conference of Building Officials updated the International Fire Code and has now published the 2018 International Fire Code; and

WHEREAS, the Township Board introduced the ordinance for publication and subsequent adoption on April 23rd, 2019; and

WHEREAS, the Township Board deems it in the best interest of the public health, safety, and welfare of the citizenry of the Charter Township of Meridian to adopt and incorporate by reference the 2018 International Fire Code, with Meridian Amendments.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MERIDIAN, INGHAM COUNTY, MICHIGAN, that the Township Board hereby FINALLY ADOPTS Ordinance No. 2019-07, entitled "Ordinance Amending the Code of the Charter Township of Meridian, Chapter 26, Article II, Sections 26-26 and 26-27, to Adopt and Incorporate by Reference the 2018 International Fire Code with Meridian Amendments."

ORDINANCE NO. 2019-07
ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF
MERIDIAN, MICHIGAN, CHAPTER 26, ARTICLE II, SECTIONS 26-26 & 26-27
TO ADOPT AND INCORPORATE BY REFERENCE THE 2018 INTERNATIONAL
FIRE CODE WITH MERIDIAN AMENDMENTS

THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MERIDIAN ORDAINS:

Section 1. Amendment to Chapter 26, Article II, Sections 26-26 and 26-27. Section 26-26 entitled Adoption and Section 26-27 entitled Revisions; limitations; amendments of the Code of the Charter Township of Meridian, Michigan, are amended to read as follows:

26-26 Adoption.

That a certain document, a copy of which is on file in the office of the Township Clerk, being marked and designated as the International Fire Code, 2018 edition, including Appendix Chapters B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, and J (International Fire Code Section 101.2.1, 2015 edition), as published by the International Code Council, is hereby adopted, and incorporated by reference into the Township Code of Ordinances, with Meridian Amendments, as the Fire Code of the Charter Township of Meridian, in the State of Michigan, to regulate and govern the safeguarding of life and property from fire and explosion hazards arising from the storage, handling and use of hazardous substances, materials and devices, and from conditions hazardous to life or property in the occupancy of buildings and premises in the Township and to provide for the issuance of permits and collection of fees. Such adoption and incorporation shall include all amendments to the 2015 International Fire Code effective as of the date this ordinance is adopted, and including all amendments thereafter made to the 2015 International Fire Code. Amendments made to the 2015 International Fire Code, as adopted by reference herein, become effective the same date they become effective in the 2015 International Fire Code. The penalties and procedures prescribed pursuant to the 2015 International Fire Code are applicable to violations occurring in the Township.

26-27 Revisions; limitations; amendments.

(a) The following sections of the 2018 International Fire Code, as amended, are hereby revised as follows:

Section 101.1: Title. These regulations shall be known as the *Fire Code* of **THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MERIDIAN**, hereinafter referred to after as “this code.”

Section 110.4: Violation Penalties. Persons who shall violate provisions of this code or shall fail to comply with any of the requirements thereof or who shall erect, install, alter, repair or do work in violation of the *approved construction documents* or directive of the *fire code official*, or of a permit or certificate used under provisions of this code, shall be guilty of a **MISDEMEANOR**, punishable by a fine of not more than **\$500.00** dollars or by imprisonment not exceeding **NINETY (90) DAYS**, or both such fine and imprisonment. Each day that a violation continues after due notice has been served shall be deemed as a separate offense.

Section 112.4: Failure to comply. Any person who shall continue any work after having been served with a stop work order, except such work as that person is directed to perform to remove a violation or unsafe condition, shall be liable to a fine not less than **\$500.00** dollars or more than **\$500.00** dollars.

Section 507.5.1: Where Required. Where a portion of the facility or building hereinafter constructed or moved into or within the jurisdiction is more than ~~400~~ **150** feet (46 m) from a hydrant on a fire apparatus access road, as measured by an *approved* route around the exterior of the facility or building, on-site fire hydrants and mains shall be provided where required by the *fire code official*.

Exceptions:

1. For Group R-3 and Group U occupancies, the distance requirement shall be ~~600~~ **250** feet (76 m).
2. For buildings equipped throughout with an *approved automatic sprinkler system* installed in accordance with Section 903.1.1 or 903.3.1.2, the distance requirement shall be ~~600~~ **250** feet (76 m).

Section 507.5.1.1: Hydrant for ~~standpipe~~ **FIRE PROTECTION** systems. Buildings equipped with a ~~standpipe~~ **FIRE PROTECTION** system installed in accordance with ~~Section 905~~ **CHAPTER 9** shall have a fire hydrant within 100 feet (30 m) of the fire department connections.

Section 1103.5.3 Group I-2 Condition 2: In addition to the requirements of Section 1103.5.2, existing buildings of Group I-2, Condition 2 occupancy shall be equipped throughout with an *approved automatic sprinkler system* in accordance with Section 903.3.1.1. The *automatic sprinkler system* shall be installed as established by the ~~adopting ordinance~~ **limits set forth by the Michigan Bureau of Fire Services rules for each respective facility**.

(b) The Geographic limits referred to in certain sections of the 2018 International Fire Code, as amended, are hereby established as follows:

Section 5704.2.9.6.1: Locations where above ground tanks are prohibited. Storage of Class I and II liquids in above-ground tanks outside of buildings is

prohibited **UNLESS THE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS ARE MET:** ~~within the limits established by law as the limits of districts in which such storage is prohibited~~ ~~[JURISDICTION TO SPECIFY]~~.

- (A) **MEETS ALL REQUIREMENTS AND STANDARDS OF THE INTERNATIONAL FIRE CODE, AS DETERMINED BY THE FIRE CHIEF, OR DESIGNEE; AND**
- (B) **HAS BEEN GRANTED A SPECIAL USE PERMIT FOR SUCH USE UNDER THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MERIDIAN.**

Section 5706.2.4.4: Locations where above ground tanks are prohibited. The Storage of Class I and II liquids in above-ground tanks is prohibited **UNLESS THE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS ARE MET:** ~~within the limits established by law as the limits of districts in which such storage is prohibited~~ ~~[JURISDICTION TO SPECIFY]~~.

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Section 5806.2: Limitations. Storage of flammable *cryogenic fluids* in stationary containers outside of buildings is prohibited **UNLESS THE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS ARE MET:** ~~within the limits established by law as the limits of districts in which such storage is prohibited~~ ~~[JURISDICTION TO SPECIFY]~~.

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Section 6104.2: Maximum capacity within established limits. Within the limits established by law restricting the storage of liquefied petroleum gas for the protection of heavily populated or congested areas, the aggregate capacity of any one installation shall not exceed a water capacity of 2000 gallons (7570 L) **UNLESS THE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS ARE MET:** ~~[JURISDICTION TO SPECIFY]~~.

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Exception: In particular installations, this capacity limit shall be determined by the *fire code official*, after consideration of special features such as topographical conditions, nature of occupancy, and proximity to buildings, capacity of proposed LP-gas containers, degree of fire protection to be provided and capabilities of the local fire department.

Section 2. Validity and Severability. The provisions of this Ordinance are severable and the invalidity of any phrase, clause or part of this Ordinance shall not affect the validity or effectiveness of the remainder of the Ordinance.

Section 3. Repealer Clause. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed only to the extent necessary to give this Ordinance full force and effect.

Section 4. Savings Clause. This Ordinance does not affect rights and duties matured, penalties that were incurred, and proceedings that were begun, before its effective date.

Section 5. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall be effective thirty (30) days after its publication.

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