# **ABINGTON TOWNSHIP**

**MARCH 16, 2021** 



# **ZONING HEARING BOARD**

# TOWNSHIP OF ABINGTON



## ZONING HEARING BOARD

# A G E N D A March 16, 2021 7:00 PM

# Meeting Information:

Join by computer, tablet or Zoom application: https://zoom.us/j/93653279091 Join by telephone: 1-929-436-2866 Meeting ID: 936-5327-9091

# **CALL TO ORDER**

## PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

## ROLL CALL

Barbara Wertheimer, Zoning Hearing Board Chairperson Jose Casalina, Zoning Hearing Board Vice Chairperson Michael O'Connor, Zoning Hearing Board Secretary John DiPrimio, Zoning Hearing Board Member Laura Hanes, Zoning Hearing Board Member Joseph Kuhls Esq., Zoning Hearing Board Solicitor

#### **ORDER & OPINION**

- a. 21-04: Brett & Therese Moser, 2930 Woodrow Avenue, Ardsley, PA 19038
- b. **21-05: William & Lori Degen**, 1572 Arline Avenue, Roslyn, PA 19001

# CONTINUED APPLICATION

# **NEW APPLICATION**

a.

21-03: Philadelphia Presbytery Homes, Inc., c/o HumanGood East, owners of the real property located at 1515 The Fairway, Jenkintown, PA 19046 seek variances from Sections 1503.A-1, 1503.B-1, 1504.A, 1504.G, 1504.H and 2103, Use A-16.4 of the Abington Township Zoning Ordinance to construct an at-grade patio with a pergola roof within the Riparian Corridor Conservation District and to allow the pergola within the required 15 foot setback from the existing building. The property is within Abington Township's Business Center Noble District, Ward # 7.

b. **21-06:** Nicholas & Nicole Hermansader, owners of real property located at 1537 Old Welsh Road, Huntingdon Valley, PA 19006, appeal the determination of the Zoning Officer regarding Abington Township Zoning Ordinance Section 2401 {Preservation and Protection of Existing Vegetation}, imposing the condition upon a building permit issuance that 58 replacement trees must be planted in connection with construction of a new single-family dwelling. In the alternative of the above, the applicants request a variance from Section 2401.A.2(b). The property is within Abington Township's R-1 Residential District, Ward # 1.

# **ADJOURNMENT**

## **NOTE**

a.
The next scheduled meeting of the Zoning Hearing Board will be held via Zoom on Tuesday,
April 20, 2021 with a 7:00 p.m. start time.

# **BOARD POLICY ON AGENDA ITEMS**

For Information Purposes Only

## **Board President Announcements**

This item on the Board of Commissioners Agenda is reserved for the Board President to make announcements that are required under law for public disclosure, such as announcing executive sessions, or for matters of public notice.

# **Public Comment**

Public Comment on Agenda Items is taken at the beginning of regularly scheduled Public Meetings prior to any votes being cast. When recognized by the presiding Officer, the commenter will have three minutes to comment on agenda items at this first public comment period. All other public comment(s) not specific to an agenda item, if any, are to be made near the end of the public meeting prior to adjournment. Public comment on agenda items at regularly scheduled Board of Commissioner Committee meetings will be after a matter has been moved and seconded and upon call of the Chair for public comment.

#### **Presentations**

Should the Board of Commissioners have an issue or entity that requires time to present an issue to the Board, that is more than an oral description relating to an agenda item under consideration, The Board may have that matter listed under Presentations. If nothing is listed under presentations, then there is no business to conduct in that manner.

# **Consent Agenda**

Items of business and matters listed under the Consent Agenda are considered to be routine and non-controversial and will be enacted by one motion and one vote. There will be no separate discussion of these items. If discussion is desired by Board of Commissioner Members, that item is to be identified by the Board member and will be identified and removed from the Consent Agenda, and will be considered separately at the appropriate place on the Agenda.

# **Unfinished Business**

Items for consideration as unfinished business are matters that have been considered for action at a public Board Meeting and have not been tabled to a date certain or voted upon.

#### **New Business**

Items for consideration as new business are matters that have been considered for action at the Board Committee Meeting. It is Board practice to not introduce new business at Board Committee Meetings.

# **BOARD POLICY ON PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

# For Information Purposes Only

The Township shall conduct business in accordance with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Laws governing the conduct of public meetings and only establish guidelines that shall govern public participation at meetings consistent with the law.

# Each commenter shall:

- Direct their comments to the Presiding Officer;
- Speak from the podium or into a microphone designated by the presiding officer;
- State their name for the record;
- Either orally or in writing provide their address for the record;
- Have a maximum of three minutes to make their comments. Each commenter when speaking to a specific agenda item, is to keep their comments relative to that identified agenda item;
- Speak one time per agenda item;
- When commenting on non-agenda items, the commenter is to keep their comments related to matters of the Township of Abington, Montgomery County, Pennsylvania.
- State a question to the Presiding Officer after all commenters have spoken, and;
- Be seated after speaking or upon the request of the presiding officer;
- Not engage in debate, dialogue or discussion;
- Not disrupt the public meeting, and;
- Exercise restraint and sound judgement in avoiding the use of profane language, and the maligning
  of others.

# Abington Township Zoning Hearing Board Hearing Date: March 16, 2021 @ 7:00 p.m.

# HumanGood/Presby's Inspired Life 1515 The Fairway

# **Applicant's Exhibits**

- 1. Deed
- 2. Zoning Hearing Board Application
- 3. Amended Zoning Relief Letter 2/22/21
- 4. Aerial Photos
- 5. Zoning Map
- 6. Site Photos
- 7. Property Site Plan
- 8. Existing Features Plan
- 9. Proposed Patio Location Plan
- 10. Proposed Patio Improvement Plans
- 11. Patio Renderings
- 12. Resumes
  - a. Rick Stoneback
  - b. Catharine Ann Farnan



# RECORDER OF DEEDS

# MONTGOMERY COUNTY PENNSYLVANIA Jeanne Sorg

One Montgomery Plaza
Swede and Airy Streets ~ Suite 303
P.O. Box 311 ~ Norristown, PA 19404
Office: (610) 278-3289 ~ Fax (610) 278-3869

I hereby certify that the following is a true and correct copy of the original document recorded in Montgomery County, PA



Jeanne Sorg, Recorder of Deeds

# BL 177 -12-34 PART OF 3+41

Prepared By Thomas D Rees, Esquire HIGH, SWARTZ, ROBERTS & SEIDEL LLP 40 E Airy Street Norristown, PA 19401

Please return to Thomas D Rees, Esquire HIGH, SWARTZ, ROBERTS & SEIDEL LLP 40 E Airy Street Norristown, PA 19401

MONTGOMERY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS REGISTRY 30 00 66648 00 3 ABINGTON 1515 THE FAIRWAY PHILA PRESBYTERY HOMES INC 5145 DATE 11/15/04 B 177 U 034 L

# PHILADELPHIA PRESBYTERY HOMES, INC. GRANTOR

TO

# PHILADELPHIA PRESBYTERY HOMES, INC. GRANTEE

## **PREMISES**

1515 The Fairway, 1542 Susquehanna Road, Part of 1568 70 Susquehanna Road and Part of 1606 Susquehanna Road Abington Township, Montgomery County Pennsylvania

The address of the above named Grantee is Philadelphia Presbytery Homes, Inc. 2000 Joshua Road Lafayette Hill, PA 19444 2430

Please send tax bills to: Philadelphia Presbytery Homes, Inc. 2000 Joshua Road Lafayette Hill, PA 19444 2430

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# DEED

# This Indenture Made the day of September, Two Thousand and Four (2004)

Between PHILADELPHIA PRESBYTERY HOMES, INC., a Pennsylvania Non profit corporation, (hereinafter called the "GRANTOR"), of the one part,

And

PHILADELPHIA PRESBYTERY HOMES, INC., a Pennsylvania Non-profit corporation, (hereinafter called the "GRANTEE"), of the other part,

Witnesseth, that the said GRANTOR for and in consideration of the sum of ONE DOLLAR (\$1 00) lawful money of the United States of America, unto said GRANTOR well and truly paid by the said GRANTEE at and before the sealing and delivery of these presents, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, has granted, bargained, sold, aliened, enfeoffed, released and confirmed, and by these presents does grant, bargain, sell, alien, enfeoff, release and confirm unto the said GRANTEE, its Successors and Assigns forever, in fee

FOR LEGAL DESCRIPTION SEE EXHIBIT "A". (PARCEL')

BEING all of parcel nos 30 00 66648 00 3, 3<del>0-00-66648 01 2,</del> and <del>30-00-65096-00-7.</del> Being part of parcel nos <del>30 00 65100 00-3 u</del>nd <del>30 00-65103 00-9</del>

BEING the same premises that The Trustees of the Presbytery of Philadelphia, a Pennsylvania non-profit corporation, aka Trustees of the Presbytery of Philadelphia, by deed dated April 23, 1992 and recorded July 27, 1992 in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds in and for the County of Montgomery, Pennsylvania, in Deed Book 5013, page 1551&c, granted and conveyed unto PHILADELPHIA PRESBYTERY HOMES, INC., a Pennsylvania non-profit corporation, in fee

**BEING** the same premises that Katherine King Adamson, by Deed dated August 2. 1989 and recorded on August 3, 1989 in the Office for the Recorder of Deeds in and for the county of Montgomery, Pennsylvania, in Deed Book 4919, page 352&c., granted and conveyed unto **PHILADELPHIA PRESBYTERY HOMES**, **INC.**, a Pennsylvania non profit corporation, in fee

BEING part of the same premises that The Philadelphia National Bank, Executor of the last Will and Testament of Sophia E Harbison, also known as Sophia Ernst Harbison, deceased, by deed dated June 10, 1983 and recorded on June 23, 1983, in Book 4710, page 771&c, granted and conveyed unto PHILADELPHIA PRESBYTERY HOMES, INC., a Pennsylvania non profit corporation, in fee

BEING part of the same premises that Curtis P. Laupheimer and Elizabeth H Laupheimer, husband and wife, by deed dated November 1, 1983 and recorded January 17, 1984, in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds in and for the County of Montgomery, Pennsylvania, in Deed Book 4727, page 2346&c, granted and conveyed unto PHILADELPHIA PRESBYTERY HOMES, INC., a Pennsylvania non profit corporation, in fee

UNDER AND SUBJECT TO certain restrictions as now appear of record

THIS CONVEYANCE IS A TRANSFER FROM A NON PROFIT CORPORATION TO ITSELF, AND THEREFORE IS EXEMPT FROM PENNSYLVANIA REALTY TRANSFER TAX

**Together** with all and singular the buildings, improvements, ways, streets, alleys, passages, waters, water courses, rights, liberties, privileges, hereditaments and appurtenances, whatsoever thereunto belonging, or in any wise appertaining, and the reversions and remainders, rents, issues and profits thereof, and all the estate, right, title, interest, property, claim and demand whatsoever of the said GRANTOR, in law, equity, or otherwise howsoever, of, in, and to the same and every part thereof, in fee.

To have and to hold the said lot or piece of ground above described together with the buildings and improvements thereon erected, hereditaments and premises hereby granted, or mentioned and intended so to be, with the appurtenances, unto the said GRANTEE, its Successors and Assigns, to and for the only proper use and behoof of the said GRANTEE, its Successors and Assigns forever, in fee

And the said GRANTOR, for itself, its Successors and Assigns, does by these presents covenant, grant and agree, to and with the said GRANTEE, its Successors and Assigns, that it the said GRANTOR and its Successors, all and singular the hereditaments and premises herein described and granted, or mentioned and intended so to be, with the appurtenances, unto it the said GRANTEE, and its Successors and Assigns, against it the said GRANTOR, and its Successors and Assigns, and against all and every other Person and Persons whomsoever lawfully claiming or to claim the same or any part thereof, by, from or under him, her, them or any of them, Shall and Will, under and subject as aforesaid, WARRANT and forever DEFEND

In Witness Whereof the said party of the first part to these presents has caused this indenture to be executed by its Vice President and Chief Operating Officer, and Interim President/Chief Executive Officer, and its corporate seal to be affixed the day and year first above written

GRANTOR.

Signed, Sealed and Delivered In the Presence of me

PHILADELPHIA PRESBYTERY HOMES, INC

JUDEE M. BAVARIA, Vice President and Chief Operating Officer, and Interim President/Chief Executive Officer

RECEIVED, the day of the date of the within or aforegoing Indenture, of the within named Grantee the full consideration above mentioned

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA

# COUNTY OF MONTGOMERY

On this, the 9th day of September, 2004, before me, the undersigned officer, personally appeared Judee M Bavaria, who acknowledged herself to be the Vice President and Chief Operating Officer, and Interim President/Chief Executive Officer of the said PHILADELPHIA PRESBYTERY HOMES, INC., a Pennsylvania non profit corporation, and that she as such Vice President and Chief Operating Officer, and Interim President/Chief Executive Officer, being authorized to do so, executed the foregoing instruments for the purposes therein contained by signing the name of the corporation by herself as Vice President and Chief Operating Officer, and Interim President/Chief Executive Officer

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and official seal

Gatricia C. Linder

My commission expires:

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA

Notarial Seal
Patricia C Luider, Notary Public
Whitemarsh Twp, Montgomery Count My Commission Expires Oct 27, 2007



# **Zoning Hearing Board Application**

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Abington Township, PA

1176 Old York Road, Abington PA 19001, Fax: 215-884-8271, Telephone: 267-536-1000 x4

# **Check List**

- 1. Acompleted application, to include the signature of the owner, signature of the applicant, agreement of sale or the lease agreement.
- 2. The plot plan of the property prepared by a Professional Engineer or a Registered Land Surveyor. The date of the plan may not be more than (1) year old. Ten (10) physical copies to scale must be provided with the application.
- The plot plan must include the zoning district, zoning district requirements and what is proposed. The requested relief is required to be highlighted.
- 4. The plot plan is required to plot the location of existing coverage, structures and the like. All proposed improvements are required to be plotted and highlighted on the plan.
- 5. The plan is required to list all proposed coverage numbers for both the building coverage and the impervious coverage as well as plot all building setback lines and required landscaped buffers.
- 6. Any and all proposed changes to the existing grades on the site will be required to be clearly shown. If the property has existing steep slopes, that area and the percentage of disturbance must be shown.
- 7. The site plan should include a site area map (a, a 500/1 scale.
- 8. The site plan must be e-mailed via PDF to slittlefield@abingtonpa.gov in addition to submitting the required physical copies with the application.
- 9. Ten (10) copies of any additional exhibits to be presented the night of the hearing must be submitted to the Zoning Office by the first Tuesday of the month. Example: If your application is scheduled for Tuesday, January 19, 2021, all exhibits must be received by Tuesday, January 5, 2021. Electronic copies must also be e-mailed to slittlefield@abingtonpa.gov. Exhibits received after this date will not be accepted.

The Zoning Hearing Board of the Township of Abington holds a regularly scheduled meeting on the third Tuesday of each month. If there are any questions that you may have, please feel free to contact me at 267-536-1013 or at slittlefield@abingtonpa.gov.

All applications are reviewed by the Zoning Officer of the Township of Abington and may be returned to the applicant if the application is found to be imcomplete.

Sincerely.

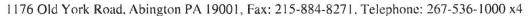
Shaun Littlefield Interim Zoning Officer



# **Zoning Hearing Board Application**

The Undersigned herein makes application for:

# Abington Township, PA





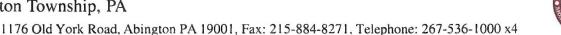
This application must be accompanied by a minimum of ten (10) copies of the plot plan of the property, prepared and signed by a registered land surveyor or professional engineer. The plan must include lot area, lot dimensions, coverge percentages, existing structures, other improvements, proposed improvements, off-street parking, buffers and all characteristics on the site. The plan may not be more than one (1) year old.

[	Χ	Request for Variance from the Zoning Ordinance.			
[		Request for a Special Exception as provided by the Zoning Ordinance.			
[		I	Appeal from the actions of the Zoning Officer.		
1.		Philade c/o Hur 2000 Jo	and address of the owner of the land: elphia Presbytery Homes, Inc. manGood East oshua Road tte Hill, PA 19444	Phone number: (610) 260-1135	
2.		William High S 40 E. A	and address of the applicant: n F. Kerr, Jr., Esquire wartz LLP Airy Street own, PA 19401	Phone number: (610) 275-0700	
3.		William High St 40 E. A	and address of the attorney:  n F. Kerr, Jr., Esquire  wartz LLP  kiry Street  pwn, PA 19401	Phone number: (610) 275-0700	
4.		If the applicant is not the owner of the property, list the applicant's interest in filing this application. Example: equitable owner, agent, lessee, etc.  Attorney for Owner			
5.	Description of the property:				
		Address/location 1515 The Fairway, Jenkintown, PA			
		Present use Medical Center accessory to Rydal Waters - Housing for Seniors			
		Proposed improvement Patio addition to include pergola, fence on existing retaining wall and landscaping, as			

indicated on attached Plans.

# **Zoning Hearing Board Application**

Abington Township, PA





6. State briefly the reasons for which the proposed improvements or use does not meet the requirements of the Zoning Ordinance, and the nature of relief you are seeking:

A portion of the proposed patio and related improvements will encroach into riparian corridor areas as indicated on attached Plans.

7. List the specific section of the Zoning Ordinance upon which the application for a variance or special exception is based:

Section 1503

Section 1504, including Sections 1504.A, 1504.G and 1504.H

8. Describe in detail the grounds for the appeal, or the reasons both in law and in fact for the granting of the variance or special exception, describing in detail the nature of the unique circumstances, and the specific hardship justifying your request for approval of the application.

Senior Housing complex and accessory medical center currently have insufficient outdoor areas for residents/patients. Proposal is reasonable given internal configuration and current improvements related to existing use.

9. List any and all prior Zoning Hearing Board action regarding the property. List the date, case number and the nature of the zoning relief granted.

None.

10. List any and all additional information, records, transcripts which may be helpful to the Zoning Hearing Board in rendering a decision: A minimum of eight (8) copies are required to be submitted.

None

William F. Kerr, Jr., Esquire	Jennifer Kappen		
Signature of Applicant	Jennifer S Kappen Signature of Owner		
Internal Validation:			
Date Received:			
Fee Paid:			
Case:	Signature of the Zoning Officer		





William F. Kerr, Jr., Esquire (610) 275-0700 Email: wkerr@highswartz.com www.highswartz.com

February 22, 2021

# Via Email slittlefield@abingtonpa.gov

Shaun Littlefield
Interim Zoning Officer
Abington Township
Engineering Department/Code Division
1176 Old York Road
Abington, PA 19001

Re: HumanGood - 1515 The Fairway ZHB Application

# Dear Shaun:

I am writing regarding the pending ZHB application filed on behalf of HumanGood for the proposed patio expansion at the Rydal Park complex at 1515 The Fairway.

Based on a follow-up review of the necessary relief for the proposed patio project, please amend the relief requested in our ZHB Application filed on December 23, 2020 to include the following:

- 1. Section 1503.A.1: To allow an accessory at-grade patio and related walkways in a Zone One Riparian Buffer;
- 2. Section 1503.B.1: To allow an accessory at-grade patio and related walkways in a Zone Two Riparian Buffer;
- 3. Section 1504.A: To allow the following structures within the Riparian Corridor Conservation District (a) accessory pergola, (b) accessory fireplace/grill and gas line, and (c) accessory railing on existing retaining wall;
- 4. Section 1504.G: To allow removal of existing trees in Riparian Corridor Conservation District:
- 5. Section 1504.H: To allow removal of existing vegetation in Riparian Corridor Conservation District:
- 6. Section 2103.A. Use A-16.4: To allow the construction of an accessory pergola within 15 feet of the existing building.

High Swartz LLP 40 East Airy Street Norristown, PA 19401 (610) 275-0700; Fax (610) 275-5290 Offices in: Doylestown Norristown





It is our understanding that this application will be heard by the Township ZHB on Tuesday March 16, 2021.

Please contact me with any questions.

Very truly yours,

William F. Kerr, Jr.

# WFKJr/stc

cc: Joseph Kuhls, Esquire (via email jckuhls@kuhlslaw.com)

Ms. Jennifer Kappen (via email Jennifer.Kappen@HumanGood.org)

Mr. Russ Mast (via email Russ.Mast@HumanGood.org)

Mr. Rick Stonebeck (via email RStoneback@ceshoemaker.com)

3/8/2021 Google Maps



# Google Maps

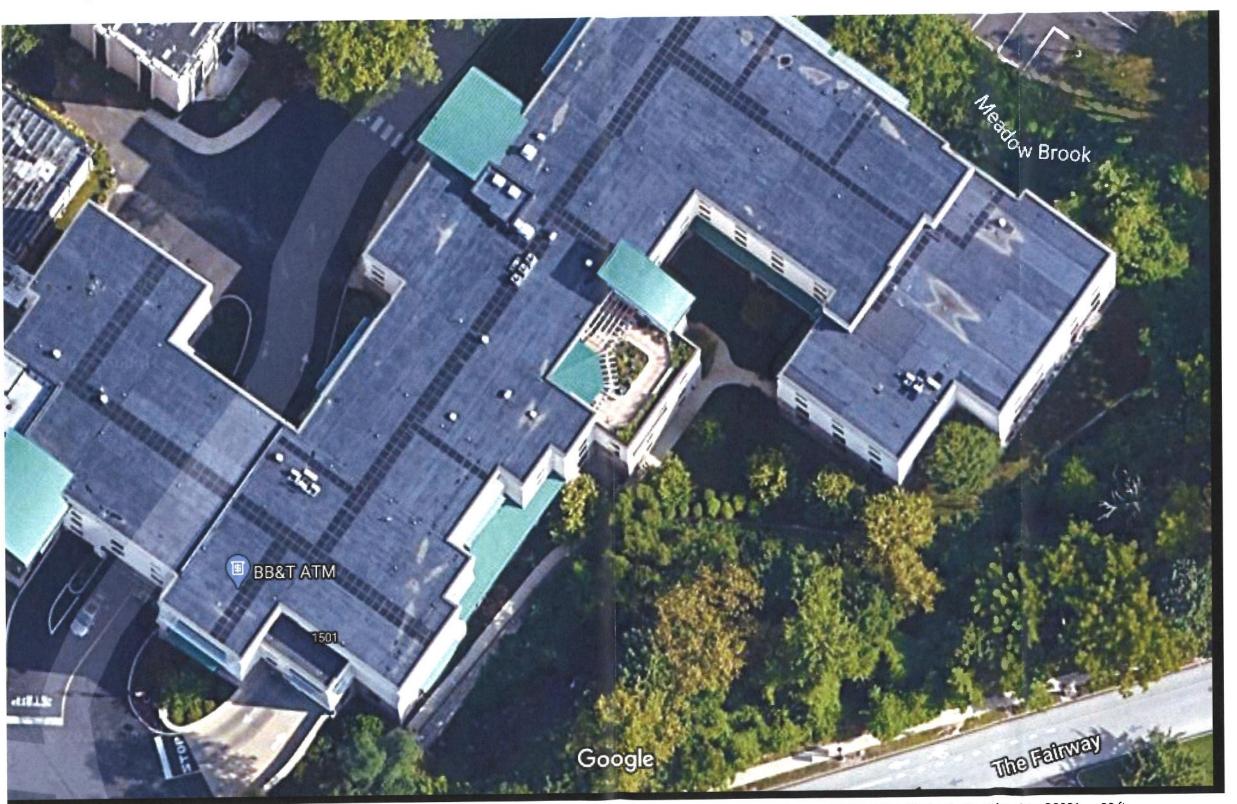


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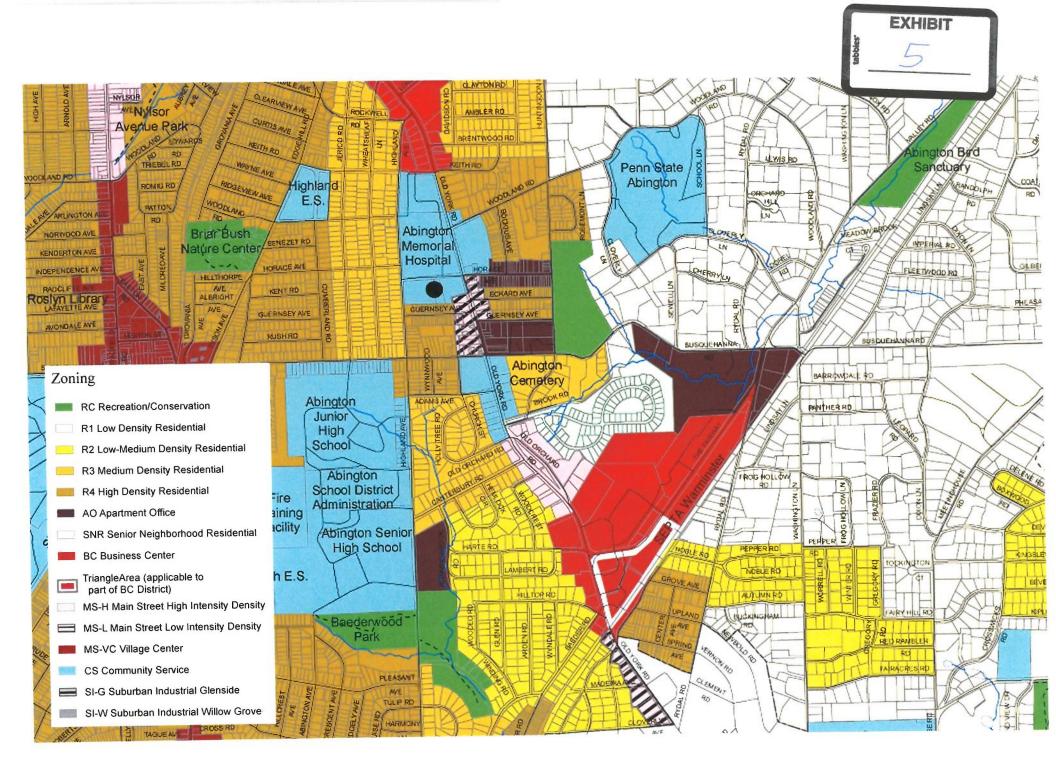
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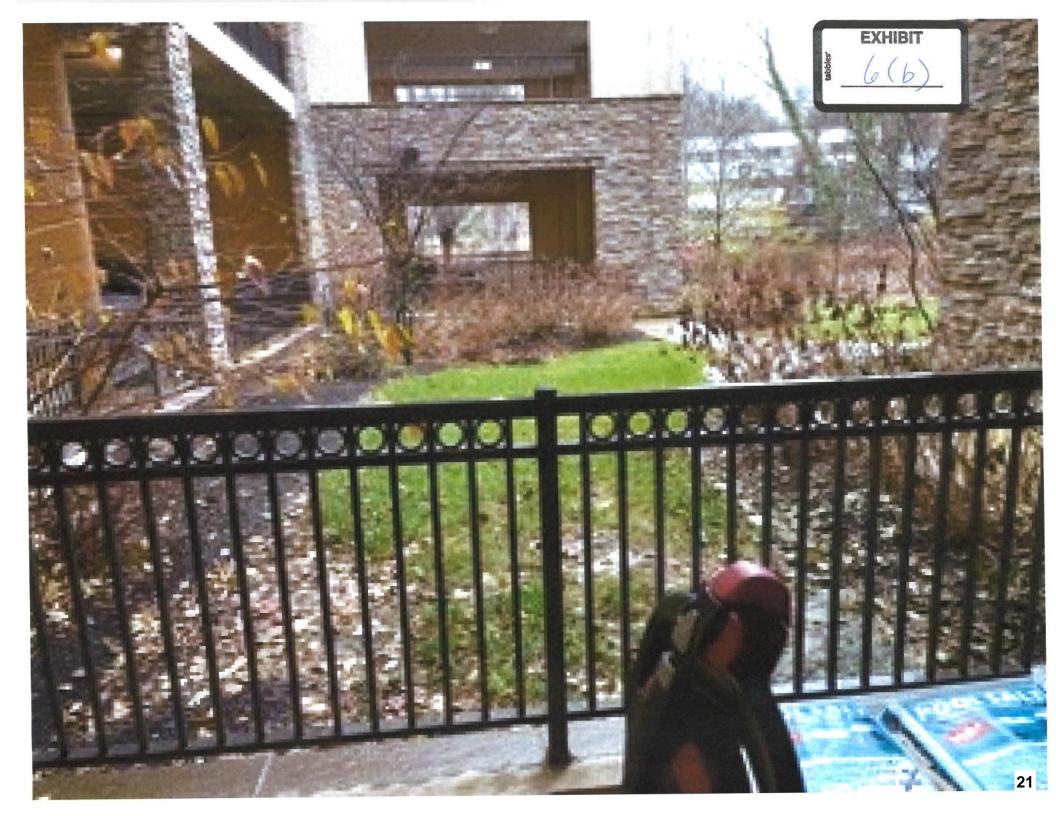
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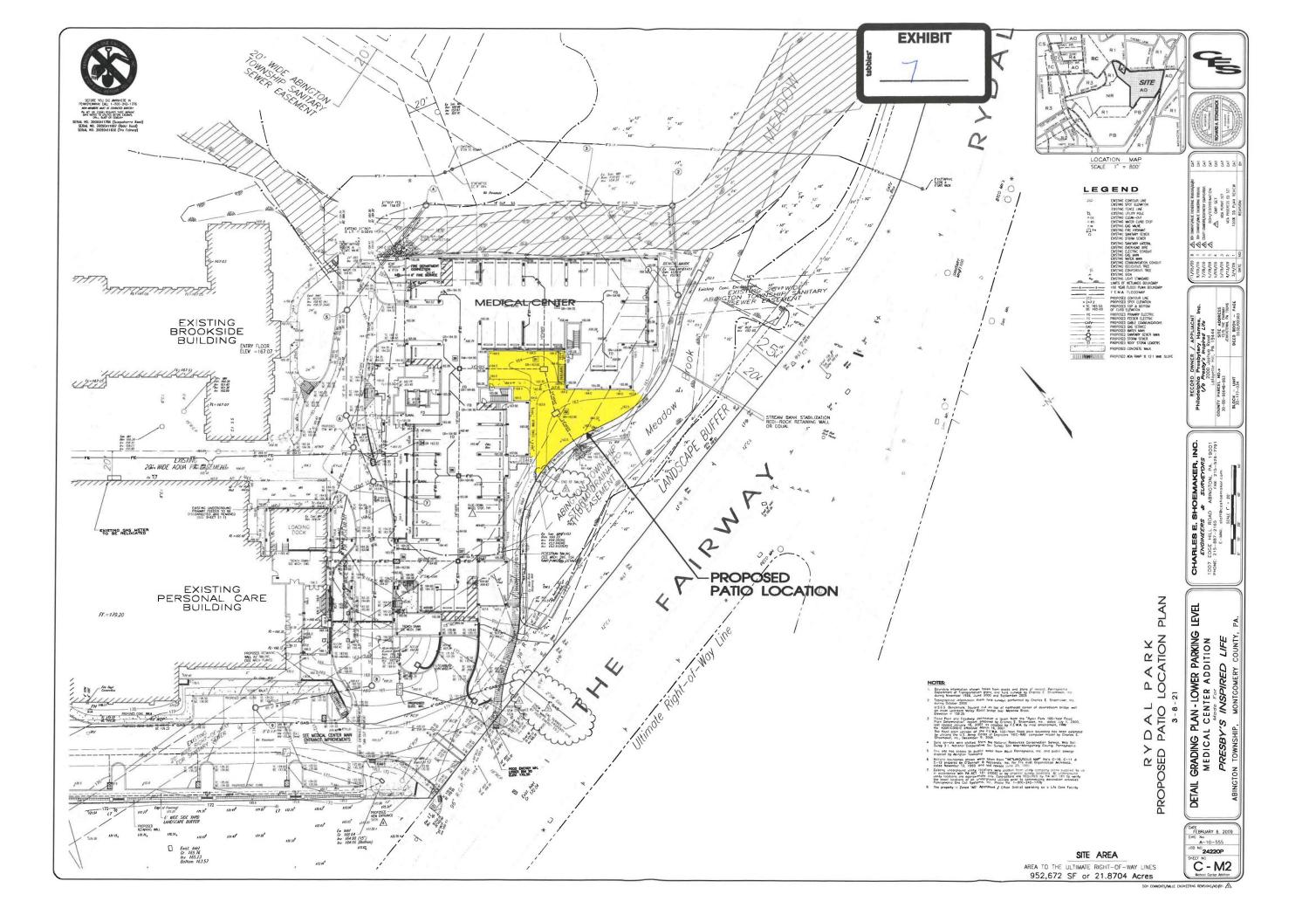
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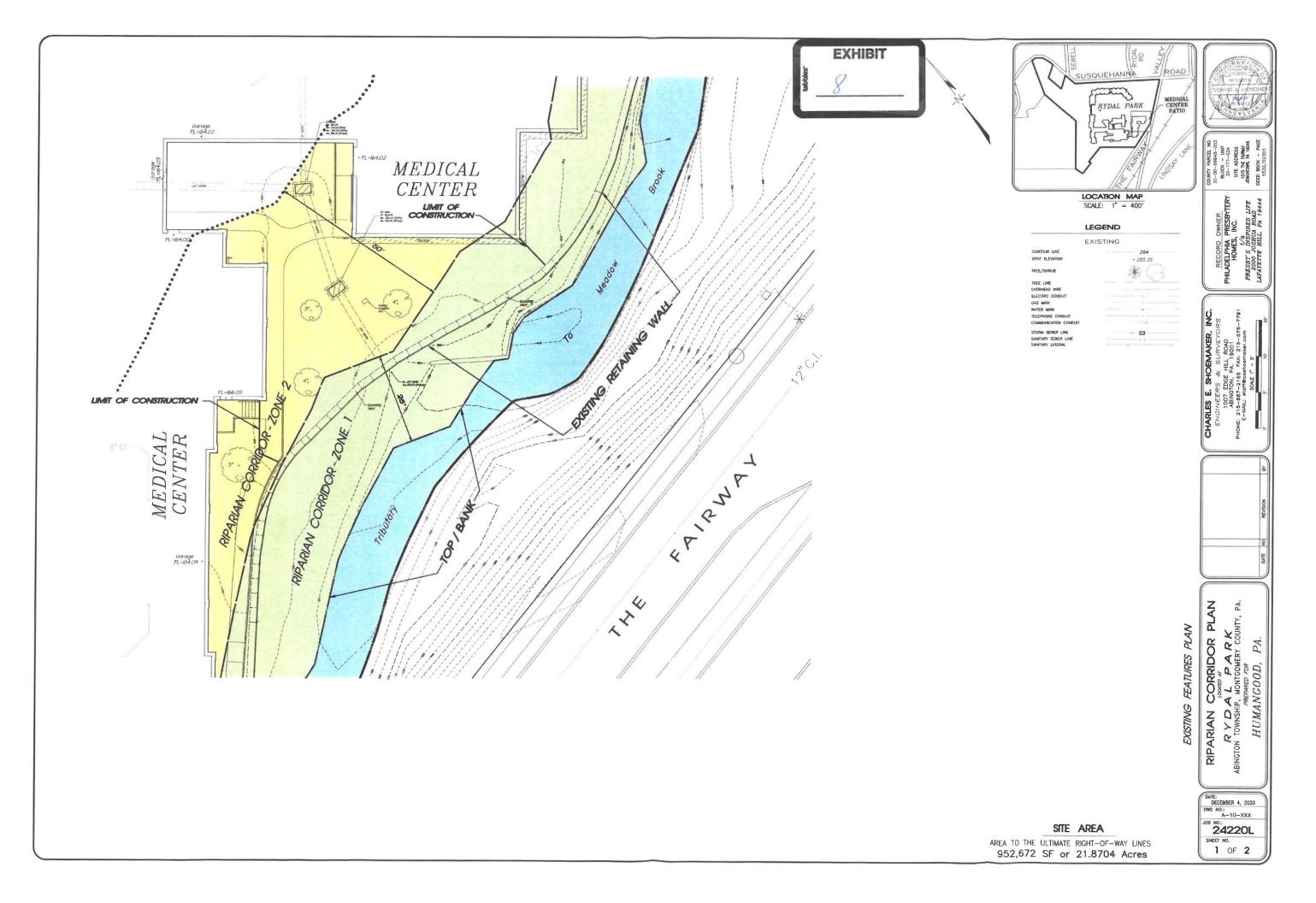


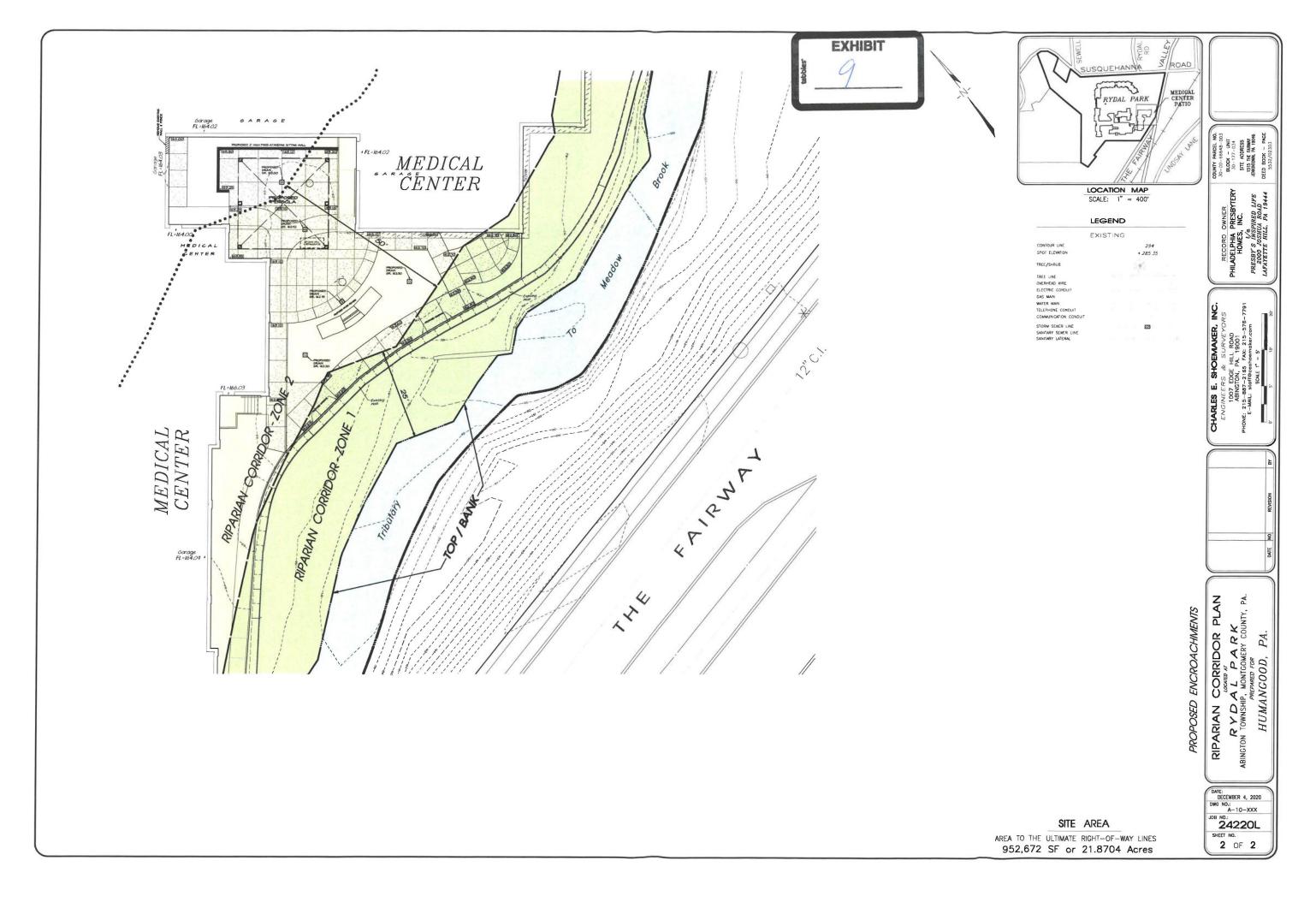




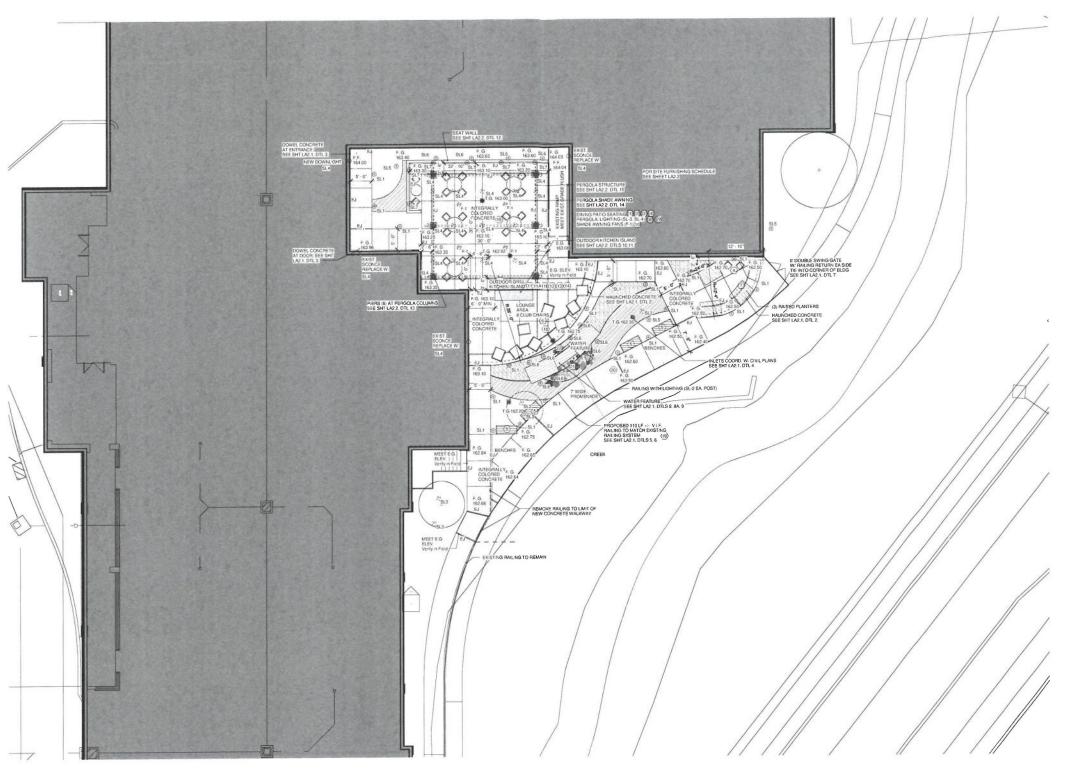












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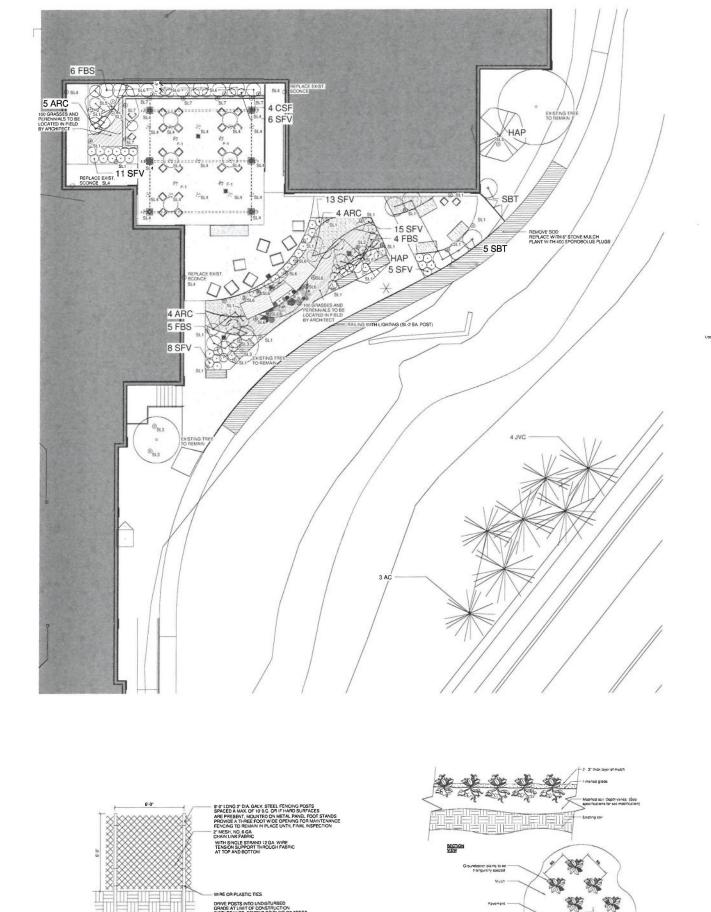
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Rydal Park Medical Center Patio Improvements FOR Presby's Inspired Life

REVISIONS
WARK DATE DESCRIPTION



GROUNDCOVER

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REINSTALL ALL DAMAGED FENCE

TREE PROTECTION FENCING DETAIL

5 SCALE NONE



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Notes
1 Trees shall be of quality prescribed in crown observations set specifications.

2 See specifications for furth requirements related to this detail

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TREE w/ BERM (EXISTING SOIL NOT MODIFIED)

EVERGREEN TREE PLANTING DETAIL

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SHRUB - UNMODIFIED SOIL

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(G) Catharine Ann Fa CONSULTANTS

1.1 12 Month Maintenance

- A Trees and Shrubs:

  1. Watering
  a. Trees and shrubs should be monitored for signs of drought stress. (willing, leaf drop, etc.)
  b. If trees and shrubs show signs of drought stress they should be watered until drought or summer conditions end (This includes watering through fall and winter drought conditions.)
  c. Trees can be hand watered or watered by "Galor" device. Shrubs should be hand watered.
  d. Hand watering should be done twice a week. The trees should be deep watered at slow rates for long periods. (5 galorisatipe inch over a 2 brun period.) This should be done with probes to trebute surface water un-old.
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- Trees and shrubs shall be tertilized with a 1:3-1 slow release fertilizer with micro-nutrients in the spring following planting an spring until substantial completion.

  b. The fertilizer shall be applied at a rate of 1 to /caliper inch up to 3 inches and at a rate of 3 lbs /caliper inch for trees over 3 inch caliper.

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  After one year from the date of planting all staking and guying malerials shall be removed.

  To Disease and Pest Control.

  a All disease and pest problems should be approached using integrated pest management and industry BMP.

- B Plant Health;

The replacement of dead plants is the responsibility of the contractor until 12 Months after substantial completion If plants are contunually dying due to cultural conditions, this should be brought to the attention of the Architect.

#### PLANTING MIXTURE

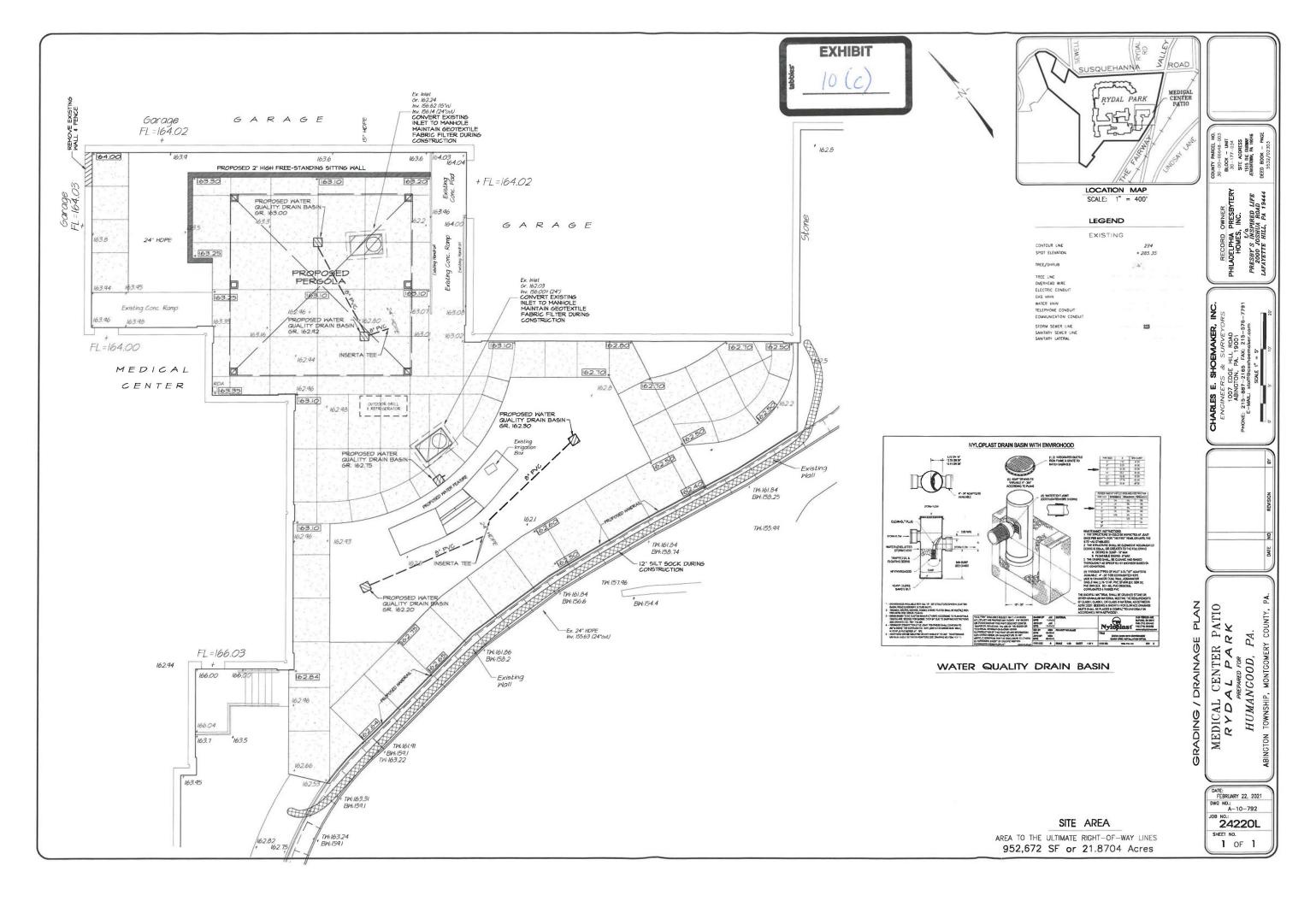
# PLANTING NOTES

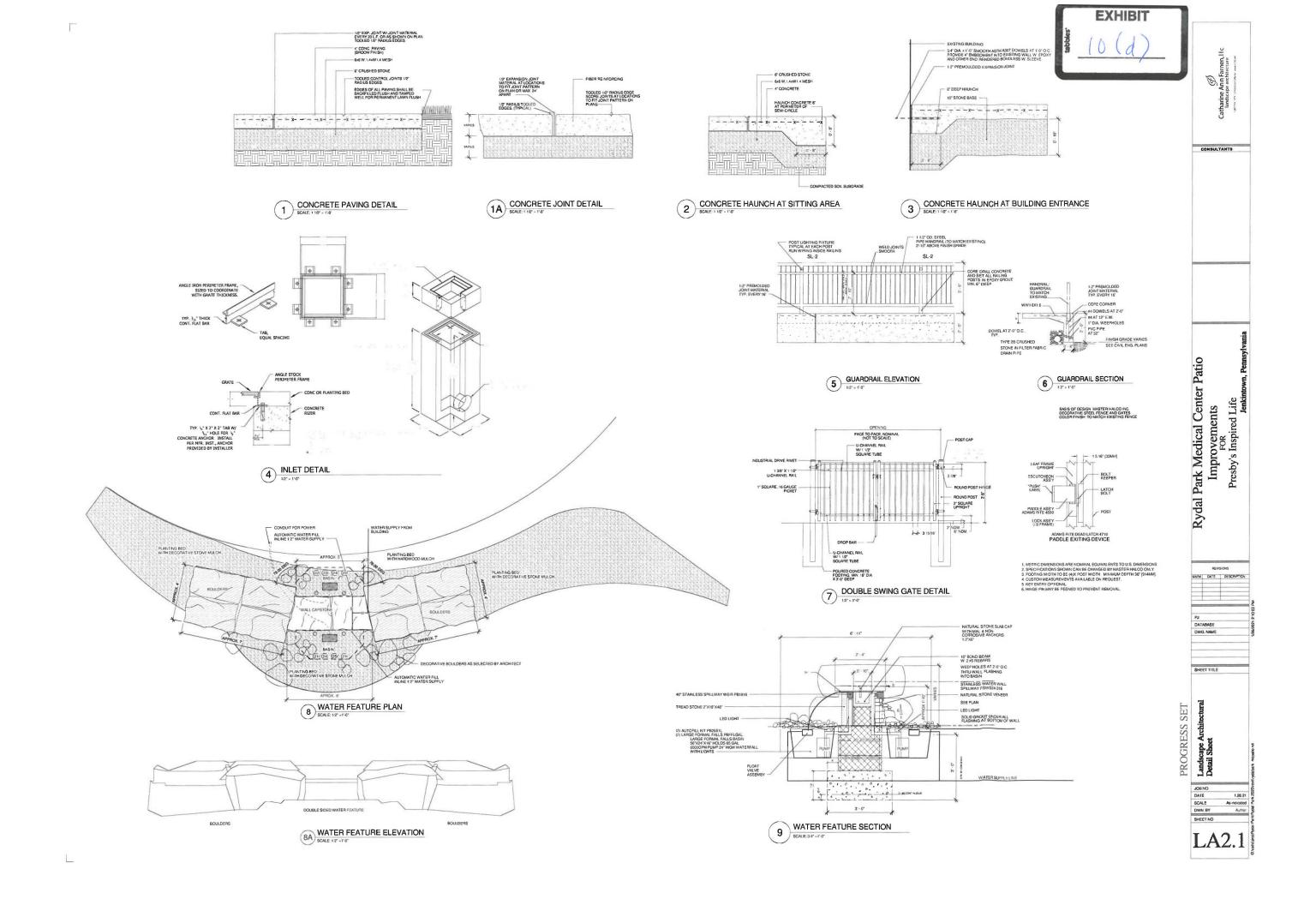
- ANY PLANT SCHEDULE MODIFICATIONS SHALL BE SUBJECT TO APROVAL BY THE TOWNSHIP REPRESENTATIVE OF PROJECT LANDSCAPE ARCHITECT PRIOR TO THE PRECONSTRUCTION MEETING REQUESTS TO BE MADE IN WHITING TO AUTHORITY.
- SIZE AND GRADING STANDARDS SHALL CONFORM TO ANSI #1. OR BETTER AND SHALL BE GUARANTEE FOR A PERCO OF TWO IZ, YEARS AFTER ACCEPTANCE BY THE OWNER AS RECURED BY ORDINANCE FALL PLANT MATERIAL NOT SURVIVING FOR A PERCOD OF TWO (2) YEARS SHALL BE REPLACED WITH THE FOUNDALENT SIZE AND SPECES.
- ALL PLANTS SHALL BE PACKED, TRANSPORTED AND HANDLED WITH THE UTMOST CARE TO INSURE ADEQUATE PROTECTION AGAINST INJURY AND DEMORATION. EACH SHIPMENT SHALL BE CERTIFIE BE FREE FROM DISEASES AND IN-PESTATION. ANY INSPECTION CERTIFICATES REQUIRED BY LAW T EFFECT SHALL ACCOMPANY BEACH SHIPMENT INVOICE OR ORDER OF STOCK ON ARRIVAL.
- SHADE AND EVERGREEN PLANTS SHALL BE FIELD ADJUSTED TO MAINTAIN A SEPARATION OF TEN (10) FEET FROM ANY SEWER MAIN OR STORM SEWER
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- ALL SEEDED AREAS THAT DO NOT SHOW A PROMPT UNIFORM GERMINATION SHALL BE RESEEDED BY THE LANDSCAPE CONTRACTOR AT INTERVALS OF 45-60 DAYS, UNTIL GOOD GROWTH IS ESTABLISHED OVER THE ENTIRE LAWN AFEA.
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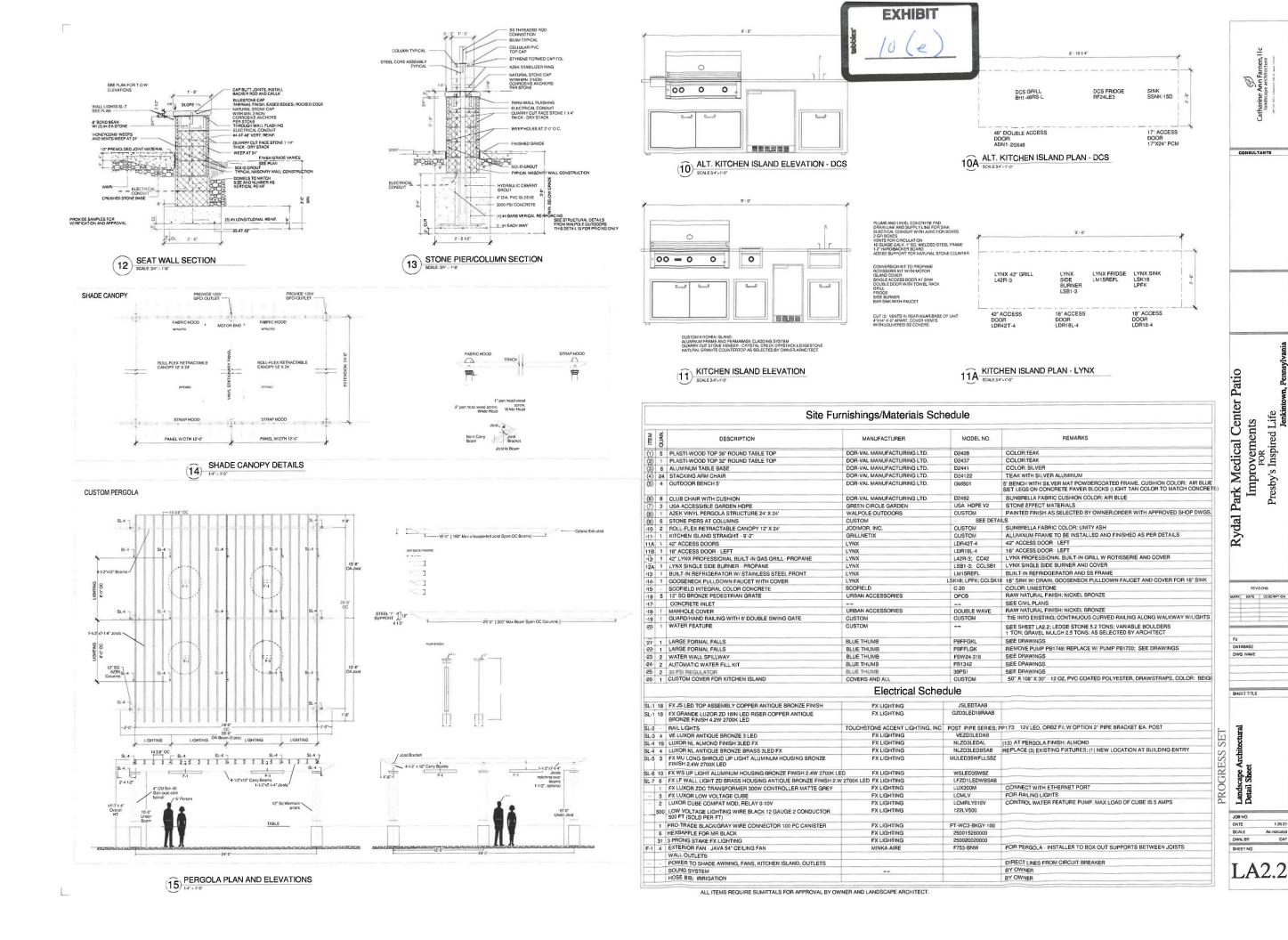
THE CONTRACTOR SHALL BECOME RESPONSIBLE FOR VERIFYING LOCATIONS OF ALL EXISTING UTILITIES THE CONTRACTOR SHALL NOTIFY ALL UTILITY CONPANIES BEFORE EXCAVATING.



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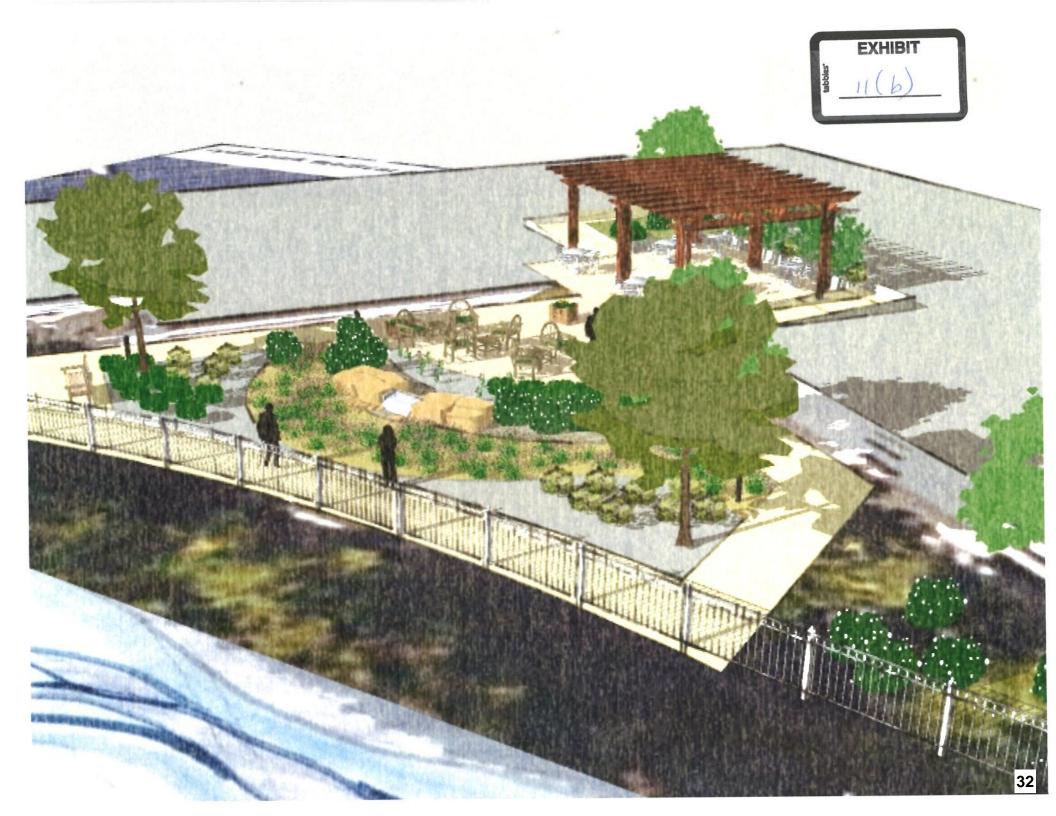






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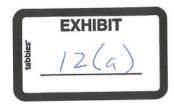




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SOUTHEAST CORNER OF EASTON & EDGE HILL ROADS 1007 EDGE HILL ROAD ABINGTON, PA 19001





## RICHARD A. STONEBACK, P.E., P.L.S. PRESIDENT

DATE OF EMPLOYMENT

September 28, 1981

#### **EXPERIENCE**

Mr. Stoneback is a graduate of Pennsylvania State University and has over 45 years of diversified civil engineering experience for both municipal and private clients. Design experience is concentrated on site engineering for residential, commercial, industrial, and institutional projects. He has designed over two million square feet of retail and office development as well as thousands of residential units. Municipal experience includes 25 years of service as Municipal Engineer for Rockledge Borough, Montgomery County, where he is responsible for the review of development proposals and the design of municipal roadway and utility projects. Prior experience includes the design and construction management of major highway, sewage, and water public works improvement projects for Pennsylvania municipalities and authorities. Experience also includes a broad spectrum of civil engineering disciplines including stormwater management, watershed hydrology, flood plain – bridge hydraulics, sanitary sewage collection – pumping stations, surveying, erosion control, water distribution, and highway engineering. Administrative experience includes supervisor of design and drafting personnel in small, medium and large size consulting firms.

He has been a Charles E. Shoemaker, Inc. corporate officer since 1986 and has been the President of the firm for the past 20 years. His professional affiliations include:

- American Society of Civil Engineers
- American Water Resources Association
- Water Pollution Control Federation
- Pennsylvania Water Pollution Control Association

He is licensed as a Professional Engineer and a Professional Land Surveyor in Pennsylvania.

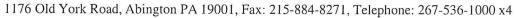
EXHIBIT 12(b)



Education	Longwood Gardens Certificate Programs	2001, 2002,
	Trees II, Perennials, Ornamental Vines	2006
	Master Gardener Program, Montgomery County	1996
	West Virginia University, Morgantown, WV Bachelor of Science in Landscape Architecture	May 1988
Experience	Catharine Ann Farnen, LLC, Owner	2006-Present
	KCBA Architects, Landscape Architect	1994-2013
	Habitat by Design, Landscape Architect	1996-2011
	Carter Van Dyke Associates, Landscape Architect	1993-1994
	F.X. Browne, Inc., Ecological Landscape Designer	1991-1993
	McCloskey & Faber P.C. , Landscape Designer	1990-1991
	Robert E. Blue Consulting Engineers, PC. <i>Landscape Designer</i>	1988-1990
Accreditation	Green Roof Professional	2009
	LEED Accredited Professional	2004
	Construction Documentation Technologist	1995
	Registered Landscape Architect – Pennsylvania	1993
Professional	American Society of Landscape Architects	
Affiliation	Borough of Hatboro Planning Commission	2000-Present
Awards	National Play Area Design Award Dockwoods Community, Montgomery County, Pennsylvania by Landscape Structures, Inc. Community Park Design Recognition Award Tanner Park Playground by Kiwanis Club, Montgomery	2000 2012 County
Career Summary	With an extensive history in project management, Catharine works	

#### Zoning Hearing Board Application

Abington Township, PA





This application must be accompanied by a minimum of ten (10) copies of the plot plan of the property, prepared and signed by a registered land surveyor or professional engineer. The plan must include lot area, lot dimensions, coverge percentages, existing structures, other improvements, proposed improvements, off-street parking, buffers and all characteristics on the site. The plan may not be more than one (1) year old.

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Th	ne U	ndersign	ned herein makes application for:		
[	Χ	]	Request for Variance from the Zoning Ordinance.		
]		]	Request for a Special Exception as provided by the Zoning Ordinance.		
[	Χ	]	Appeal from the actions of the Zoning Officer.		
1.		Name and address of the owner of the land:  Nicholas and Nicole Hermansader  1537 Old Welsh Road  Huntingdon Valley, PA 19006			
2.		Name a	and address of the applicant:	Phone number:	
3.		Craig Kaplir 910 H	and address of the attorney: R. Lewis, Esquire n Stewart larvest Drive, Suite 200 Bell, PA 19422	Phone number: 610-941-2584 rlewis@kaplaw.com	
4.		If the applicant is not the owner of the property, list the applicant's interest in filing this application. Example: equitable owner, agent, lessee, etc.			
5.		Descrip	otion of the property:		
		Address	s/location 1537 Old Welsh Road		
	Present use Undeveloped				
	Proposed improvement Single-Family Detached Dwelling				

#### Zoning Hearing Board Application

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1176 Old York Road, Abington PA 19001, Fax: 215-884-8271, Telephone: 267-536-1000 x4

6. State briefly the reasons for which the proposed improvements or use does not meet the requirements of the Zoning Ordinance, and the nature of relief you are seeking:

See attached Addendum.

7. List the specific section of the Zoning Ordinance upon which the application for a variance or special exception is based:

Section 2401.A.2(b)

8. Describe in detail the grounds for the appeal, or the reasons both in law and in fact for the granting of the variance or special exception, describing in detail the nature of the unique circumstances, and the specific hardship justifying your request for approval of the application.

See attached Addendum.

9. List any and all prior Zoning Hearing Board action regarding the property. List the date, case number and the nature of the zoning relief granted.

N/A

10. List any and all additional information, records, transcripts which may be helpful to the Zoning Hearing Board in rendering a decision: A minimum of eight (8) copies are required to be submitted.

See attached Addendum and Exhibits.

Signature of Applicant

Signature of Owner

Internal Validation:

Date Received:

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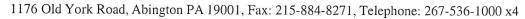
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#### Zoning Hearing Board Application

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#### **Check List**

- 1. A completed application, to include the signature of the owner, signature of the applicant, agreement of sale or the lease agreement.
- 2. The plot plan of the property prepared by a Professional Engineer or a Registered Land Surveyor. The date of the plan may not be more than (1) year old. Ten (10) physical copies to scale must be provided with the application.
- 3. The plot plan must include the zoning district, zoning district requirements and what is proposed. The requested relief is required to be highlighted.
- 4. The plot plan is required to plot the location of existing coverage, structures and the like. All proposed improvements are required to be plotted and highlighted on the plan.
- 5. The plan is required to list all proposed coverage numbers for both the building coverage and the impervious coverage as well as plot all building setback lines and required landscaped buffers.
- 6. Any and all proposed changes to the existing grades on the site will be required to be clearly shown. If the property has existing steep slopes, that area and the percentage of disturbance must be shown.
- 7. The site plan should include a site area map @ a 500/1 scale.
- 8. The site plan must be e-mailed via PDF to slittlefield@abingtonpa.gov in addition to submitting the required physical copies with the application.
- 9. Ten (10) copies of any additional exhibits to be presented the night of the hearing **must** be submitted to the Zoning Office by the first Tuesday of the month. Example: If your application is scheduled for Tuesday, January 19, 2021, all exhibits must be received by Tuesday, January 5, 2021. Electronic copies must also be e-mailed to slittlefield@abingtonpa.gov. Exhibits received after this date will not be accepted.

The Zoning Hearing Board of the Township of Abington holds a regularly scheduled meeting on the third Tuesday of each month. If there are any questions that you may have, please feel free to contact me at 267-536-1013 or at slittlefield@abingtonpa.gov.

All applications are reviewed by the Zoning Officer of the Township of Abington and may be returned to the applicant if the application is found to be imcomplete.

Sincerely,

Shaun Littlefield Interim Zoning Officer Craig R. Lewis, Esquire
Kaplin Stewart Meloff Reiter & Stein, PC
Union Meeting Corporate Center
910 Harvest Drive
Post Office Box 3037
Blue Bell, PA 19422
(610) 941-2584
rlewis@kaplaw.com

**Attorneys for Applicants** 

# BEFORE THE ZONING HEARING BOARD OF ABINGTON TOWNSHIP MONTGOMERY COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

In the Matter of:

Nicholas and Nicole Hermansader 1537 Old Welsh Road Parcel ID No. 30-00-48352-00-2

#### ADDENDUM TO ZONING HEARING BOARD APPLICATION

Nicholas and Nicole Hermansader, by and through their attorney, Craig R. Lewis, Esquire, hereby file this addendum to their Appeal to the Abington Township Zoning Hearing Board or, in the alternative, their application requesting a variance from Section 2401.A.2(b) of the Abington Township Zoning Ordinance ("Zoning Ordinance"), and in support thereof state as follows:

- 1. <u>Name and Address of Applicant</u>. The Appellants are Nicholas and Nicole Hermansader (collectively herein "Hermansaders"), legal owners of the parcel identified as Montgomery County tax parcel number 30-00-48352-00-2, otherwise generally identified as 1537 Old Welsh Road, Huntingdon Valley, PA ("Property"). A copy of the Deed to the Property is attached hereto as Exhibit "A".
- 2. <u>Description of Property</u>. The Property is an approximately 2.22 acre/96,904 s.f. (+/-) undeveloped parcel created as part of a subdivision approved by the Abington Township

Board of Supervisors on February 10, 2005<sup>1</sup>. In accordance with the Zoning Ordinance and Abington Township Zoning Map the Property is located in the R-1 Zoning District. The Property has never been developed, is heavily wooded with significant topography resulting in dramatic slopes falling from south to north. The Property is a flag lot requiring a driveway of more than 500' to access Old Welsh Road.

- 3. **Zoning**. Pursuant to the Abington Township Zoning Map, the Property is located in the R-1 Residential Zoning District ("**R-1District**").
- 4. **Proposed Improvements.** The Hermansaders purchased the Property with the intention to construct their residence, a modest two-story, single family detached dwelling ("**Residence**"). The Residence is served by public water and public sewer. In or about June, 2020, Hermansaders, through their builder, Prime Custom Builders, submitted an application to Abington Township seeking a building permit for the Residence ("**Application**"). The Application was supported by plans prepared by ProTract Engineering, entitled "Permit Plan prepared for Tax Block 9 unit 28", dated June 19, 2020, last revised 10/30/20, consisting of 4 sheets ("**Permit Plans**"), a copy of which are attached hereto as Exhibit "B".

After four (4) months of reviews by the Township's Code and Engineering Department<sup>2</sup>, on October 19, 2020 the Abington Township Interim Zoning Officer issued a letter stating that the requested building permit would not be issued unless either the Permit Plans be revised to provide 58 replacement trees or the Hermansaders obtain a variance from the Zoning Hearing Board. A copy of the October 19, 2020 letter is attached hereto as Exhibit "C". First, the

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The 2/10/15 Subdivision approval was a lot line adjustment. The Property itself was created many years prior but had never been sold by the then owner Dr. George Green.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> In accordance with the Municipalities Planning Code ("MPC"), the construction of one single-family residence does not constitute land development. Thus, all that is supposed to be required is review and approval of a building permit and earth disturbance permit.

October 19, 2020 letter improperly denied the Application by failing to cite a provision of the Building Code as the basis to refuse the requested Permit as required by the Building Code. Second, the October 19, 2020 letter improperly demanded the planting of 58 trees contrary to the provisions of the Zoning Ordinance by failing to provide notice that the Zoning Ordinance specifically provides an exemption from tree replacement where 25% or less of the tree canopy will be disturbed.

On November 16, 2020, Hermansaders' builder submitted a revised set of Permit Plans modifying and reducing the tree canopy disturbance associated with construction of the Residence to less than the Zoning Ordinance prescribed 25% allowance. A copy of sheet 2 of the revised Permit Plans is included as part of Exhibit "B".

Zoning Determination. By e-mail dated December 9, 2020, the interim Zoning Officer of Abington Township, informed the Hermansaders that in his opinion the revised Permit Plans do not comply with "Section December Review is attached hereto as Exhibit "D". The section of the Zoning Ordinance cited in the December Review was never previously cited by the Zoning Officer. Indeed, when he issued his letter dated October 19, 2020, the Zoning Officer alleged that the Permit Plans required a variance from Section 2401.A-2.d(1)(b); but otherwise complied with the Zoning Ordinance. As with the October 19, 2020 review, the December 9, 2020 refusal was improper as it failed to cite to any provision of the Building Code.

In response to the December Review, Hermansaders were compelled to further revise their Permit Plans to provide fifty-eight (58) replacement trees. These revised Permit Plans were submitted on December 17, 2020. On January 19, 2021, thirty-three (33) days after submission

of the last revised Permit Plans, Abington Township issued a building permit for the construction of the Residence ("Building Permit").<sup>3</sup>

#### 6. Analysis of Zoning Ordinance

Section 2401 of the Zoning Ordinance is entitled Preservation and Protection of Existing Vegetation and Subsection A.2 is entitled Private Trees. In his letter dated October 19, 2020, the Zoning Officer stated that the Permit Plans required relief from subsection (d)(1)(b) of the Zoning Ordinance. Section 2401.A.2(d) is entitled Subdivision, land Development and Site Disturbance, subsection (1) is entitled Tree Replacement and subsection (b) provides:

New Lots. Where site disturbance activity on new lots proposes removal of more than 25% of the tree canopy, if the trees removed contain a tree with a 6-inch caliper or greater, trees shall be preserved wherever possible. and those removed that meet the criteria above shall be replaced two-to-one on site by trees 3-to-3.5" or larger in caliper measured 6" above grade.

The referenced "criteria above" is subsection (d)(1)(a) which provides:

Existing Lots. Tree replacement shall occur when new impervious coverage exceeds 500 s.f. and a tree with a minimum caliper of six inches (6") is removed. In such cases, two new trees, each a minimum of 3-to-3.5 " caliper measured 6" above grade, shall be planted for each tree with a minimum of 6" or greater that is removed.

The Zoning Ordinance does not define "New Lot" or "Existing Lot", but clearly the Zoning Officer determined that the Property, being wholly undeveloped, constitutes a "New Lot". As such, Subsection (d)(1)(b) controls. This subsection is clear, where site disturbance proposes removal of 25% or less of the tree canopy on a new lot, NO replacement trees are required. The Zoning Ordinance grants a one-time allowance for site disturbance to permit a

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Although the typewritten portion of the building permit is dated January 14, 2021, the signature by the Township Code Official is dated January 15, 2021 and the Township refused to issue the permit to Hermansaders until January 19, 2021; 33 days after the revised Permit Plans were submitted.

property owner, such as the Hermansaders, the opportunity to make a reasonable use of their Property.

In response to the October 19, 2020, letter from the Zoning Officer, Hermansaders revised their Permit Plans to reduce the tree canopy disturbance to less than 25% to comply with the allowance prescribed by Section 2401.A.2(d)(1)(b); the only remaining comment in review of the Application. Nonetheless, more than 3 weeks after submitting the revised Permit Plans, the Zoning Officer issued the December Review, which is wholly inconsistent with his prior review.

On December 9, 2020, the Zoning Officer opined that now the revised Permit Plans violated Section 2401.A.2(b) which provides:

Replacement after Impervious Coverage Increase. If impervious coverage is increased by at least 500 square feet, and such an increase requires tree removal, each removed tree with a caliper greater than or equal to 6 inches must be replaced with two trees – each with a caliper greater than or equal to 2.5".

This wholly new citation is inconsistent with the October 19 review and contradicts the prescribed allowance for "New Lots" set forth in Section 2401.A.2(d)(1)(b).

The Zoning Officer clearly concluded that the Property is a New Lot. As such, the Property is subject to Section 2401.A.2(d)(1)(b) and a property owner is permitted to engage in site disturbance resulting in removal of up to 25% of the tree canopy without being required to provide replacement trees. The Permit Plans submitted on November 16, 2020 complied with this requirement. Application of Section 2401.A.2(b) wholly denies the allowance specifically prescribed by Section 2401.A.2(d)(1)(b) and is thus inconsistent and contradictory.

It is well settled in Pennsylvania and stated clearly in Section 603.1 of the MPC, that where there is any ambiguity in a Zoning Ordinance the words, and phrases must be construed as broadly as possible to give the landowner the benefit of the least restrictive use; any doubt must

be resolved in favor of the landowner. 53 P.S. 10603.1. See also, Shvekh v. Zoning Hearing

Board of Stroud Township, 152 A.2d 406 (Pa.Cmwlth 2017).

Hermansaders revised their Permit Plans to comply with the improper application of the Zoning Ordinance and such revised Permit Plans were finally approved by the Township on January 19, 2021.

Alternative Request for Variance. As set forth above, the Property is heavily wooded. The Property is also a flag lot which means the Residence will not be visible from Old Welsh Road. The removal of existing trees as depicted on the Permit Plans will have no negative impact on the adjacent properties. In accordance with the Zoning Determination and the permit issued in accordance with such improper application of the Zoning Ordinance, Hermansaders must provide 58 replacement trees. While planting 58 replacement trees is possible on the Property, it will (1) impose a significant financial burden and (2) deny the Hermansaders the reasonable use of their property by nearly eliminating the opportunity to have open space for their private use. Fundamentally, a variance from Section 2401.A.2(b) is appropriate where, as here it is wholly inconsistent with the stated intent of the Zoning Ordinance which is to provide a property owner the one-time opportunity to remove up to 25% of existing tree canopy to make a reasonable use of their property.

WHEREFORE, Hermansaders request that the Zoning Hearing Board reverse the Zoning Officer's determination, conclude that the Permit Plans submitted on November 16, 2020 complied with Section 2401 of the Abington Township Zoning Ordinance and direct the Zoning Officer to issue a new Building Permit consistent with a proper application of the Zoning Ordinance. In the alternative, Hermansaders request that the Zoning Hearing Board grant a

variance from Section 2401.A.2(b) to permit removal of the tree canopy as depicted on the Permit Plans without the obligation to plant replacement trees.

Respectfully Submitted,

CRAIG R. LEWIS, ESQUIRE

Attorney for Applicants

Date: January 22, 2020

David Copy

#### Prepared by and Return to:

First Service Abstract, Inc. 6464 Old York Road, Suite B New Hope, PA 18938

File No. 94192FSA

UPI#30-00-48352-00-2

This Indenture, made the day of day of day of the date of delivery to the Grantees

Between

TATYAN MILA CLARKE

(hereinafter called the Grantor), of the one part, and

## NICHOLAS HERMANSADER AND NICOLE M. HERMANSADER, HUSBAND AND WIFE

(hereinafter called the Grantees), of the other part,

Witnesseth, that the said Grantor for and in consideration of the sum of Three Hundred Twenty Thousand And 00/100 Dollars (\$320,000.00) lawful money of the United States of America, unto him well and truly paid by the said Grantees, at or before the sealing and delivery hereof, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, has granted, bargained and sold, released and confirmed, and by these presents does grant, bargain and sell, release and confirm unto the said Grantees, as tenants by the entirety

#### PREMISES "A"

ALL THAT CERTAIN lot or tract of land Situate in the Township of Abington, County of Montgomery and Commonwealth of Pennsylvania bounded and described according to a Minor Subdivision Plan made for Dr. George R. and Gertrude M. Green, dated 12/3/2004 by Charles E. Shoemaker, Inc., Engineers and Surveyors of Abington, Pennsylvania in Plan Book 25 Page 137 as follows:

BEGINNING at a point on the Northeasterly PennDOT legal right-of-way line of Old Welsh Road (S R 0063) (33 feet wide), said point being a corner of lands now or formerly of Patrick E. and Kathleen A. Pellecchia; thence extending along said PennDOT legal right-of-way line, on the arc of a circle curving to the left with a radius of 548.92 feet, the arc distance of 16.15 feet to a point, a corner of lands now or formerly of George R. and Gertrude M. Green, Block 009 Unit 006; thence along said lands North 09 degrees 07 minutes 14 seconds East 393.66 feet to a point; thence through lands now or formerly of George R. and Gertrude M. Green, Block 009 Unit 028, the four following courses and distances 1) North 58 degrees 22 minutes 03 seconds East 80.00 feet; 2) North 42 degrees 00 minutes 25 seconds East 55.00 feet, 3) North 04 degrees 00 minutes 56 seconds East 30.05 feet; 4) North 44 degrees 59 minutes 36 seconds West 133.47 feet to

Together with all and singular the buildings and improvements, ways, streets, alleys, driveways, passages, waters, water-courses, rights, liberties, privileges, hereditaments and appurtenances, whatsoever unto the hereby granted premises belonging, or in anywise appertaining, and the reversions and remainders, rents, issues, and profits thereof; and all the estate, right, title, interest, property, claim and demand whatsoever of him, the said grantor, as well at law as in equity, of, in and to the same.

To have and to hold the said lot or piece of ground described above, with the buildings and improvements thereon erected, hereditaments and premises hereby granted, or mentioned and intended so to be, with the appurtenances, unto the said Grantees, their heirs and assigns, to and for the only proper use and behoof of the said Grantees, their heirs and assigns, forever.

And the said Grantor, for himself and his heirs, executors and administrators, does, by these presents, covenant, grant and agree, to and with the said Grantees, their heirs and assigns, that he, the said Grantor, and his heirs, all and singular the hereditaments and premises herein described and granted, or mentioned and intended so to be, with the appurtenances, unto the said Grantees, their heirs and assigns, against him, the said Grantor, and his heirs, and against all and every person and persons whomsoever lawfully claiming or to claim the same or any part thereof, by, from or under the said Grantor, his/her/their heirs or its successors, or any of them, subject as aforesaid,

Tatyan/Mila Clarke

SPECIALLY WARRANT and forever DEFEND.

In Witness Whereof, the party of the first part has hereunto set his hand and seal

Sealed and Delivered IN THE PRESENCE OF US:

a point; thence partly through lands now or formerly of George R. and Gertrude M. Green, Block 009 Unit 028 and partly through lands now or formerly of George R. and Gertrude M. Green, Block 009 Unit 006, North 62 degrees 37 minutes 37 seconds West 210.32 feet to a point on line of lands now or formerly of Huntingdon Valley Country Club; thence along said lands, the two following courses and distances 1) North 58 degrees 39 minutes 27 seconds East 75.00 feet, 2) North 58 degrees 33 minutes 32 seconds East 270.54 feet to a point on line of other lands now or formerly of Huntingdon Valley Country Club, said line also being the municipal line dividing the Township of Upper Moreland from the Township of Abington; thence along said lands and said municipal dividing line, South 44 degrees 46 minutes 19 seconds East 229.97 feet to a point, a corner of lands now or formerly of Mary A. Stein; thence along said land, South 32 degrees 54 minutes 29 seconds West 414.72 feet to a point, a corner of lands now or formerly of Patrick E. and Kathleen A. Pellecchia; thence said lands, the two following courses and distances 1) South 73 degrees 24 minutes 47 seconds West 51.09 feet, 2) South 09 degrees 07 minutes 14 seconds West 359.53 feet to the first mentioned point and place of beginning.

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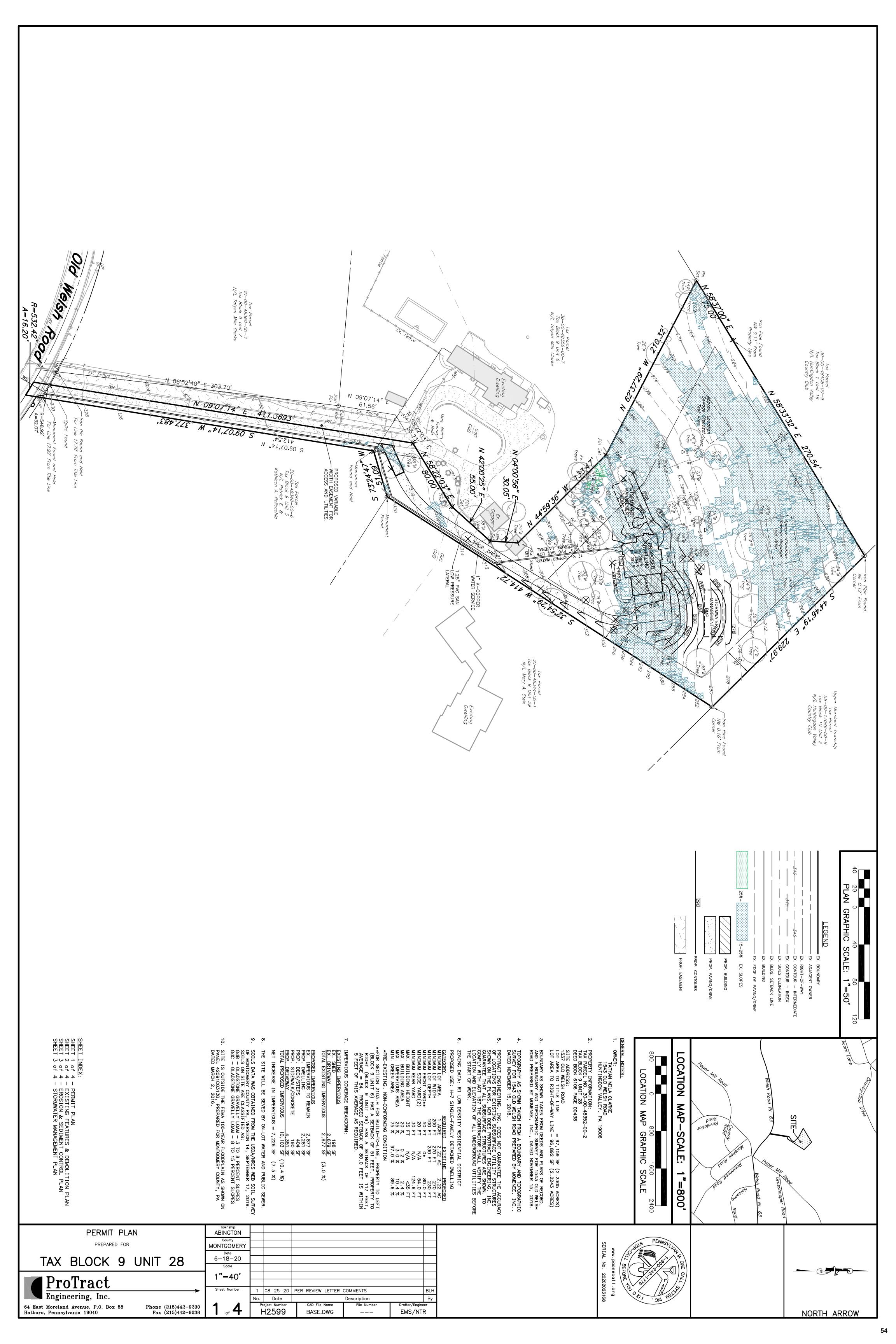
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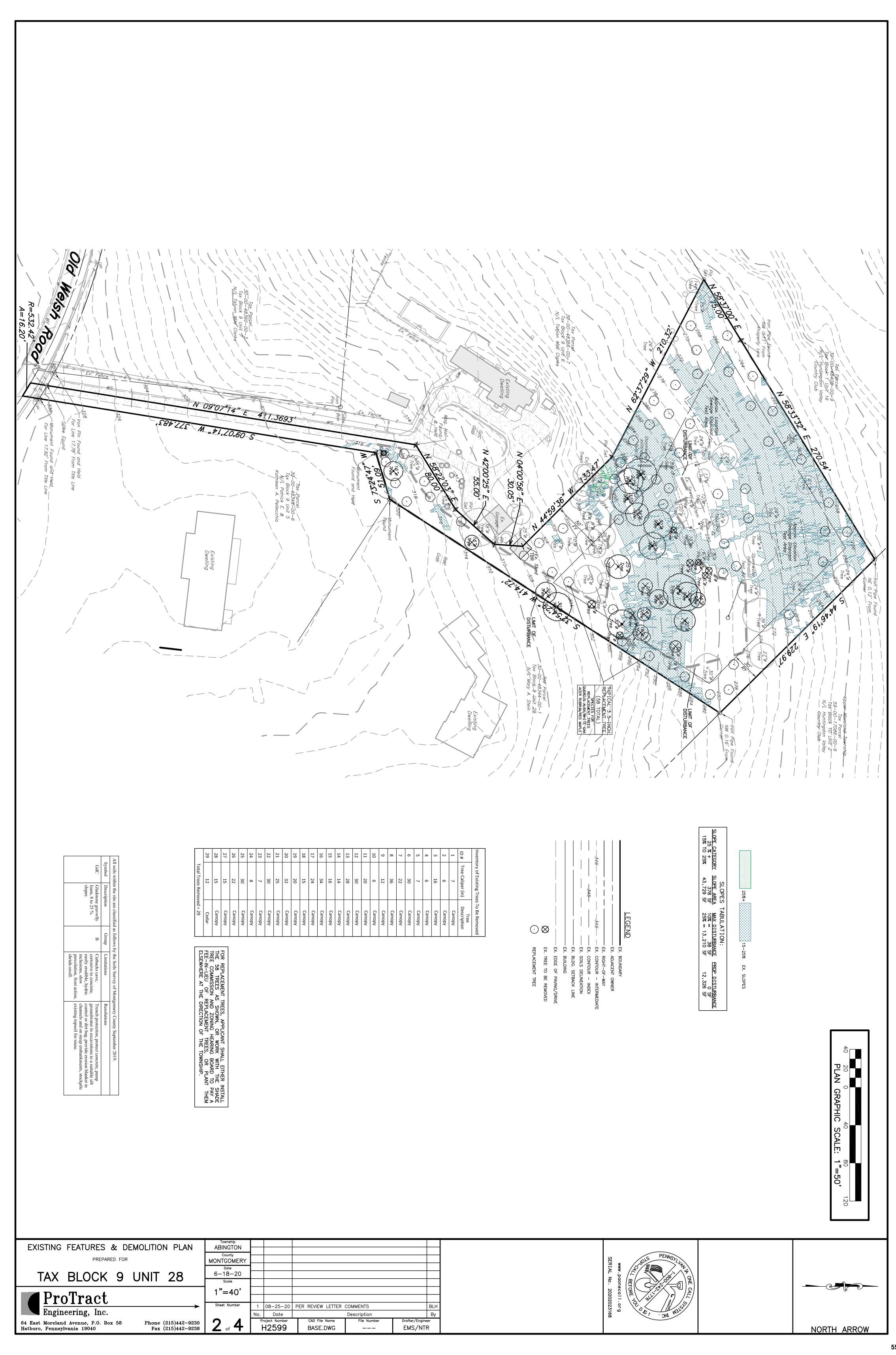
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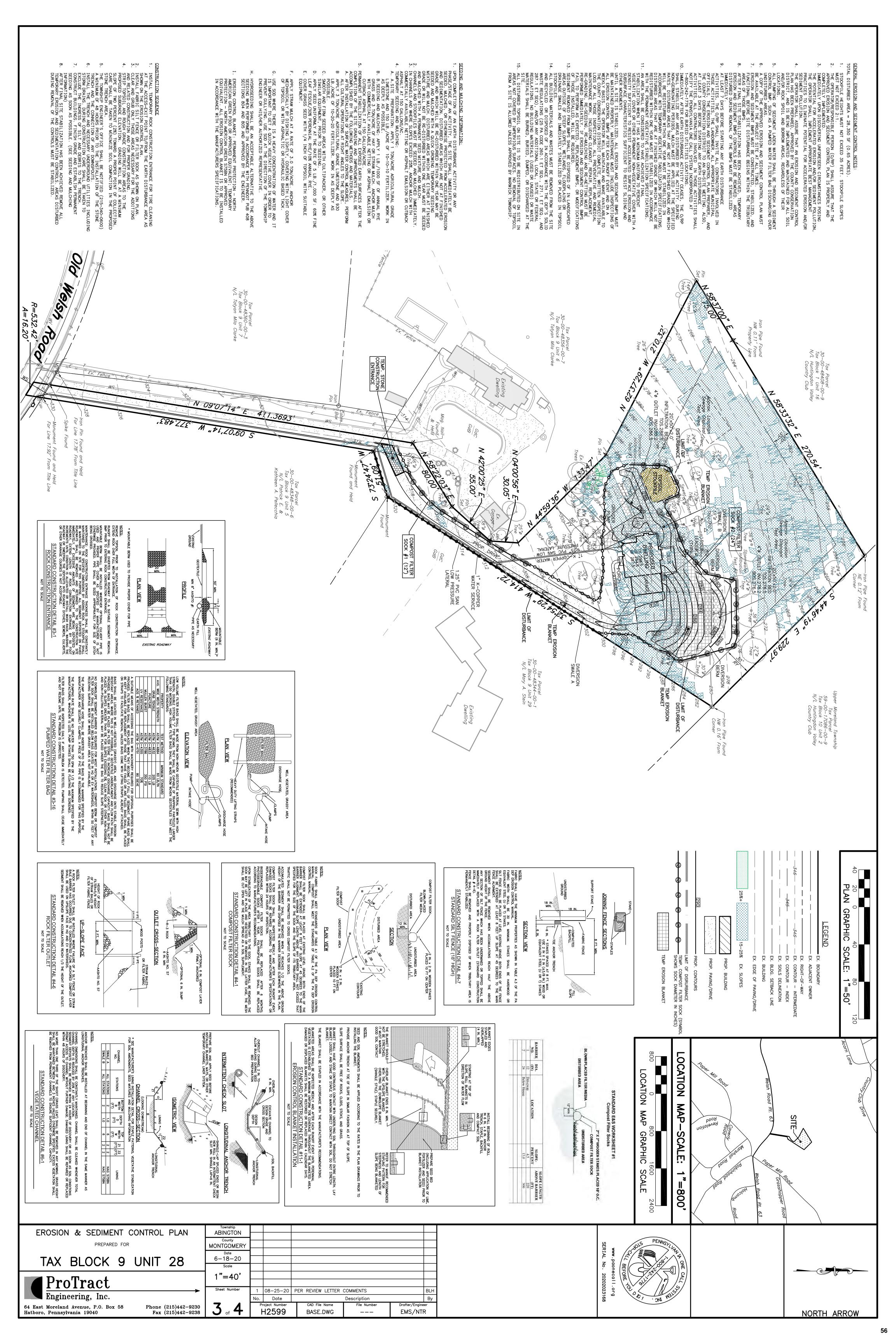
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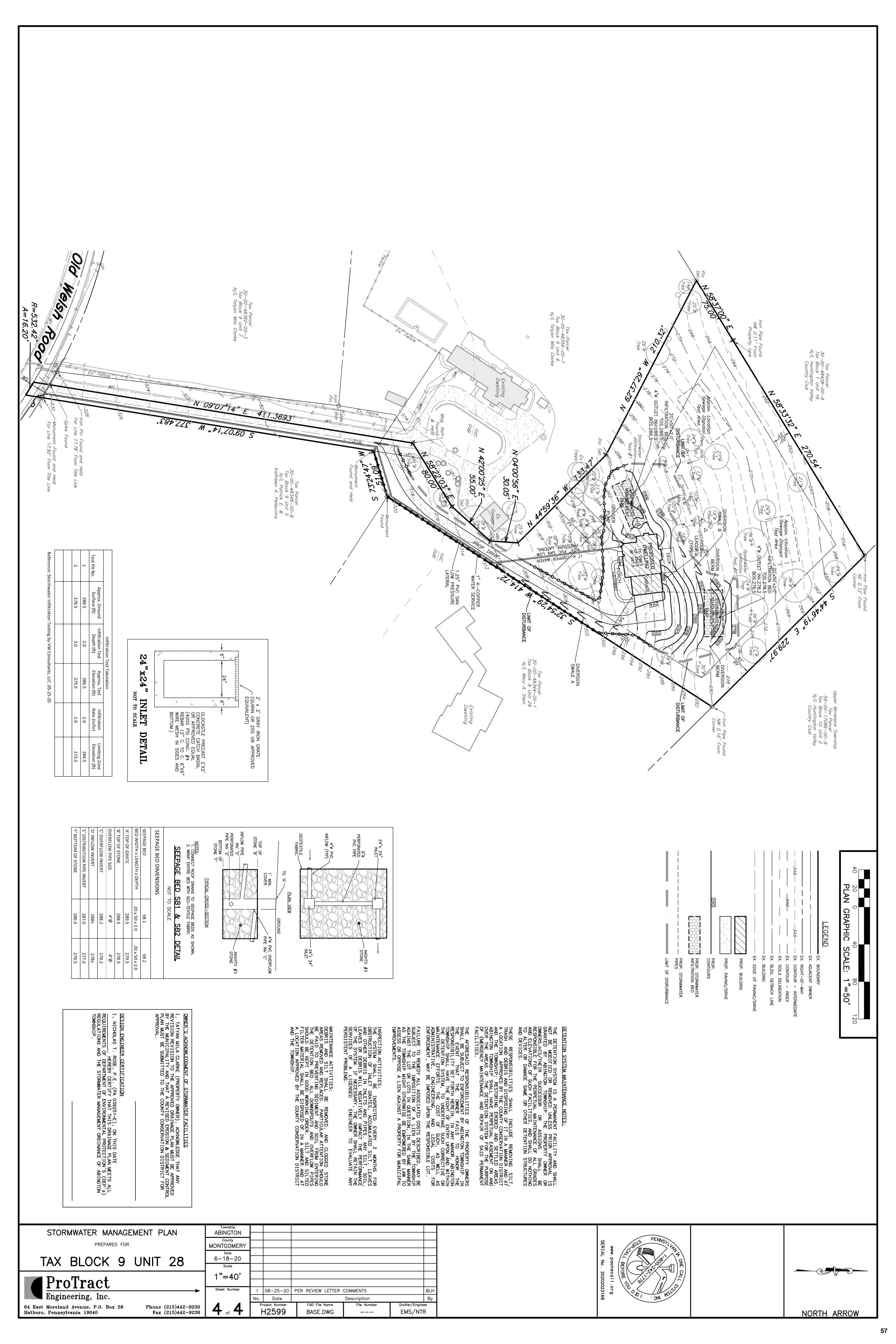
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Commonwealth of Pennsylvania - Notary Seal KATIE MCCABE, Notary Public Bucks County My Commission Expires January 30, 2022 Commission Number 1324401	Notary Public My commission expires
I hereby certify the precise residence address of the above-named Grantee Old Welsh Rd Huntingdon Valley, PA 19006 On behalf of the Grantees	and the complete post office es is:  2x DUTY PT  aughorne PD 19047

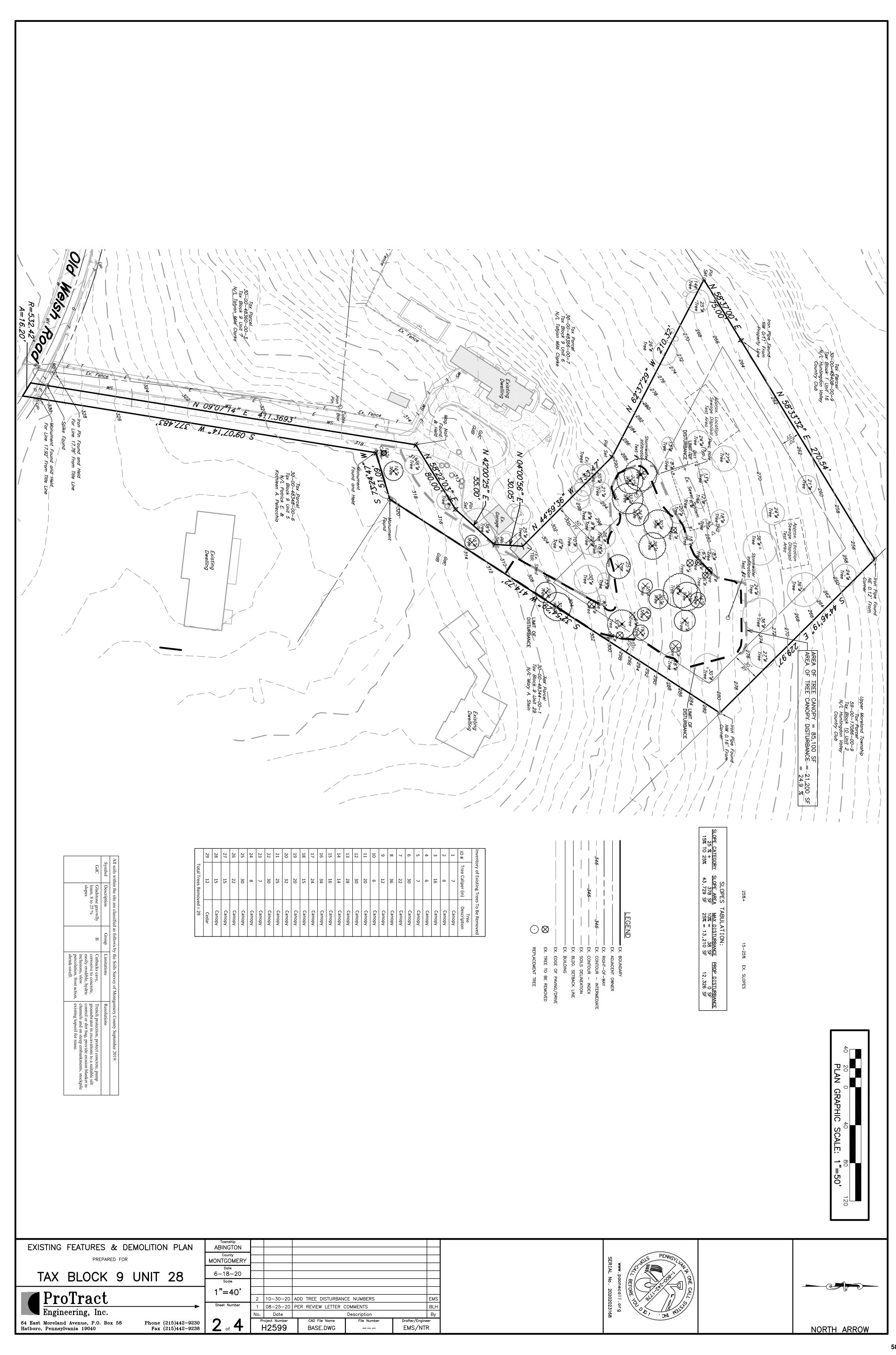
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### Township of Abington

Engineering & Code Department

John L. Spiegelman, President Thomas Hecker, Vice President

Richard J. Manfredi, Manager Amy R. Montgomery, P.E., Director

October 19, 2020

Prime Custom Builders, LLC 350 S. Main St. Suite 307 Doylestown, PA 18901

Re: Single Family Dwelling Submission @ 1537 Old Welsh Rd., Huntingdon Valley, Abington Township

Dear Ms. Hess,

This letter is sent regarding the permit review on-going for 1537 Old Welsh Road, Huntingdon Valley, PA. Specifically, this is in regard to the 29 trees proposed to be removed as part of the construction of the new single-family dwelling.

While I realize that the most recent plans have a note that either 58 trees will be planted, or that the owners will apply for a variance from the Zoning Ordinance, I cannot issue a building permit without having clear direction. If I issue a permit and the lot is clear cut, I am put in the position of having to wait to see which option the owners and developer will go with. In the meantime, this leaves me with 29 trees clear cut from the property.

Furthermore, discussions with Nick Rose, P.E. of ProTract Engineering, Inc., have indicated that he believes it would be very difficult to plant the required 29 trees due to the shade provided by the remaining tree canopy.

Therefore, I am requiring a plan signed and sealed by either a Landscape Architect or a certified arborist attesting that the required trees can be planted, prior to the issuance of any building permits. The other option is to seek a variance from Section 2401.A-2.d-(1).(b) of the Zoning Ordinance and submit an application to the Zoning Hearing Board with an alternative tree replacement plan.



### Township of Abington

Engineering & Code Department

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If you have any questions regarding this letter, you may contact me via phone at 267-536-1013 or via e-mail at <a href="mailto:slittlefield@abingtonpa.gov">slittlefield@abingtonpa.gov</a>.

Sincerely,

Shaun Littlefield

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From: Shaun Littlefield <slittlefield@AbingtonPA.gov>

Sent: Wednesday, December 9, 2020 9:59 AM

To: Stephanie Hess <stephanie@primecustombuilders.com>

Cc: Michele Jonas <mjonas@AbingtonPA.gov>; Scott Marlin <smarlin@AbingtonPA.gov>

Subject: RE: 1537 Old Welsh Road

#### Stephanie,

After reviewing the matter with Staff and the Solicitor's Office, it has been determined that the project will need to comply with Section 2401.A-2.b of the Zoning Ordinance. As the project will increase the amount of impervious coverage by at least 500 square feet, and such increase requires tree removal, this will then require any trees of 6" caliper of greater removed to be replaced at a 2:1 ratio with trees of 2.5" or greater caliper.

If you insist on sticking with the current tree replacement plan previously submitted to the Township, I will require that a review of the plan by either a certified arborist or landscape architect to ensure that the planting of the trees will hold. A report will need to be forwarded to this office with their findings and opinion.

Otherwise, you may have one of the above licensed professionals submit an alternative landscaping plan and go to the Zoning Hearing Board for relief from the aforementioned Section of the ZO. In either instance, I would like to have the landscaping plan reviewed by the Township's Shade Tree Commission. This would certainly be recommended if the owner elects to go to the ZHB, as the ZHB would take STC's opinion into consideration when deciding to grant Zoning relief.

#### Regards,

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