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# PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT CASE REPORT

Case Number: CIC2023-00020

**Current Zoning:** C-2 (General Business District)

**Request:** Change in Conditions

Overlay District: Mall of Georgia

Additional Requests: Variances

Address: 720 Ridge Road
Map Number: R7065 398
Site Area: 0.99 acres
Square Feet: 7,200

**Proposed Development:** Convenience Store with Fuel Pumps and Retail Uses

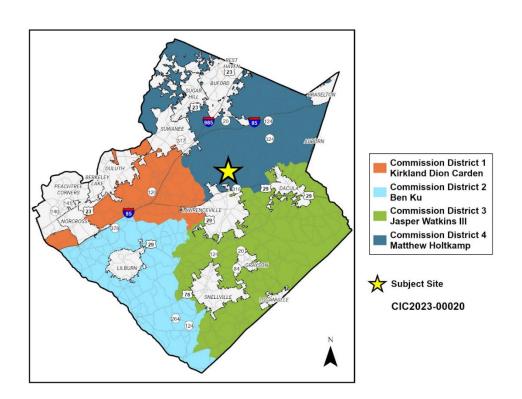
**Commission District:** District 4 – Commissioner Holtkamp

Character Area: Community Node

Staff Recommendation: DENIAL

**Planning Commission** 

Recommendation: DENIAL



**Applicant:** Teresa Curry, P.E., Owners:

Mohammad Faizahmed AXIS Infrastructure, LLC 2160 Lockett Court 70 Mansell Court, Suite 200 Duluth, GA 30097

Roswell, GA 30076

Contact: Lorraine Canada **Contact Phone:** 678.778.1617

#### **Zoning History**

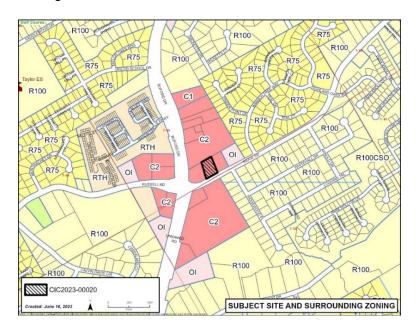
The subject property is zoned C-2 (General Business District). In 1988, the site was part of a larger 5.32acre tract that was rezoned from R-100 (Single-Family Residence District) to C-2 and O-I (Office-Institutional District) for retail and office related uses, pursuant to RZ-43-88. The site is located within the Mall of Georgia Overlay District.

#### **Existing Site Condition**

The subject property is a 0.99-acre parcel located on the north side of Ridge Road, east of its intersection with Buford Drive. The property is currently undeveloped with dense vegetation covering most of the site. The site slopes downward approximately 20 feet from northwest to southeast. There is a shared driveway with the adjacent property to the east, accessed from Ridge Road. No sidewalks exist along the property frontage. The nearest Gwinnett County Transit stop is approximately 3.1 miles from the subject property.

#### Surrounding Use and Zoning

The subject property is surrounded by commercial, institutional, and office uses. To the north of the site is a United States Postal Office facility. A pharmacy is located to the west of the site. A veterinary office is located to the east. Across Ridge Road to the south is the Russell Ridge Shopping Center, which is a grocery store-anchored, multi-tenant shopping center. Also across Ridge Road to the south is Ridgewood, a single-family detached residential subdivision. The following is a summary of surrounding uses and zoning:



Location	Land Use	Zoning	Density
Proposed	Convenience Store with Fuel Pumps	C-2	N/A
North	Commercial	C-2	N/A
East	Commercial	C-2	N/A
South	Commercial	C-2	N/A
	Single-Family Residential	R-100	1.85 units per acre
West	Commercial	C-2	N/A

#### **Project Summary**

The applicant requests a change in conditions for a 0.99-acre parcel zoned C-2 for a convenience store with fuel pumps, including:

- A change in conditions of case RZ-43-88, including the revision of the following conditions:
  - Condition 1A, "Retail and service commercial uses at a maximum density of 15,000-square feet and office and accessory uses at a maximum density of 14,000-square feet."
     The applicant is requesting to eliminate the maximum square footage per use to allow for a 7,200 square foot multi-tenant commercial building, including a convenience store with fuel pumps.
  - Condition 2A, "Provide a 50-foot natural buffer for the O-I tract and a 75-foot natural buffer for the C-2 tract, undisturbed except for approved access and utility crossings and replantings where sparsely vegetated, adjacent to the north property line." The applicant is requesting to eliminate this condition.
  - Condition 2D, "Provide a five-foot wide landscape strip along internal property lines." The applicant is requesting to eliminate this condition.
- A 7,200 square-foot, single-story multi-tenant commercial building including a convenience store with fuel pumps and three leasable tenant suites.
- A canopy with four fuel pumps located at the front portion of the site along Ridge Road.
- 12 surface parking spaces located in front of the building, and 11 parking spaces located along the site's Ridge Road frontage.
- A five-foot-wide sidewalk along the property frontage on Ridge Road.
- An internal five-foot-wide sidewalk leading from the Ridge Road sidewalk to the front of the building, along the western property boundary and adjacent to the dumpster enclosure.
- A reinforced concrete retaining wall in the northwest corner of the site, and along the sidewalk connecting the entrance of the building to Ridge Road.
- A retaining wall with a guardrail east of the convenience store, adjacent to the access driveway.
- A dumpster enclosure located in southwest corner of the front yard with a six-foot tall brick or masonry fence.
- Two vehicular access points via the internal driveway shared with the property to the east. No direct access to Ridge Road is proposed.
- A five-foot-wide landscape strip along the Ridge Road property frontage.
- A monument sign on the property frontage of Ridge Road.

#### **Zoning and Development Standards**

The applicant is requesting a Change in Conditions for a property zoned C-2 (General Business District). The following is a summary of applicable development standards from the Unified Development Ordinance (UDO):

Standard	Required	Proposed	Meets Standard?
Building Height	Maximum 45'	≤20′	YES
Front Yard Setback	Minimum 15'	15'	YES
Side Yard Setback	Minimum 10'	10'	YES
Rear Yard Setback	Minimum 30'	30'	YES
Off-Street Parking	Minimum 14 spaces Maximum 58 spaces	23 spaces	YES
Dumpster Location	Side or Rear Yard	Front Yard	NO*
Interior Driveway Widths	40'	37.5'	NO*
Landscape Strip	Minimum 10'	5'	NO**

<sup>\*</sup>The applicant has requested a variance to allow the dumpster enclosure in the front yard and to exceed the maximum driveway width.

In addition, the following standards apply to development in the Mall of Georgia Overlay District:

Standard	Meets Standard?
Provide interparcel vehicle access points between all contiguous commercial, office, industrial or attached residential tracts. This requirement may be waived by the Director only if it is demonstrated that an interparcel connection is not feasible due to traffic safety or topographic concerns.	NO*
Freestanding buildings or shopping center developments containing 7,500 gross square feet of space or less shall provide no more than 20 percent of parking areas in the front of building(s) and be limited to no more than one double row of parking. No more than 20 percent of off-street parking areas may be located to the sides of building, with the balance of parking located to the rear the building.	NO*

<sup>\*</sup> The applicant has requested variances to allow all parking in front of the building and to not provide interparcel access.

#### Variance Requests

In addition to the rezoning request, the applicant is seeking variances from the following provisions of Title II of the UDO:

1. Section 220-30.3.A.1 Transportation/Infrastructure

Provide interparcel vehicle access points between all contiguous commercial, office, industrial or attached residential tracts.

The applicant is proposing to not provide inter-parcel connection to the parcel west of the development.

<sup>\*\*</sup> The applicant has not requested relief from the 10-foot-wide landscape standards per Chapter 620 of the UDO. If this request is approved, the site must be developed with a 10-foot-wide landscape strip outside the Ridge Road right-of-way, which is also a condition of approval from RZ-43-88.

2. Section 220-30.3.E.3 Parking and Accessory Structures

Freestanding buildings or shopping center developments containing 7,500 gross square feet of space or less shall provide no more than 20 percent of parking areas in the front of building and be limited to no more than one double row of parking. No more than 20 percent of off-street parking areas may be located to the sides of building, with the balance of parking located to the rear the building.

The applicant is proposing to locate all of the parking in front of the proposed building.

3. Section 230-120.13.A Dumpsters

Dumpsters shall be located in the rear or side yard. Dumpsters are not allowed in front yards. Dumpsters, including the enclosure structure, shall be located a minimum of 5 feet from property lines and buffers.

The applicant is proposing to locate the dumpster in the northwest corner of the front yard of the development, along the Ridge Road frontage.

4. Section 240-70.1.E Interior Driveways

Interior driveways surrounding gasoline pumps shall be increased to 40 feet in total width (as measured from the base of the gasoline pump islands).

The applicant is proposing an interior driveway width of 37.5-feet. Interior driveways around gasoline pump islands are required to be 40-feet in width according to UDO.

#### **Internal and External Agency Review**

In addition to these Development Standards, the applicant must meet all other UDO requirements related to infrastructure improvements. Internal and External agency review comments are attached (Exhibit F). Standard site and infrastructure improvements will also be required related to stormwater, transportation, water, and sewer utilities. Recommended improvements not already required by the UDO have been added as staff recommended conditions.

#### **Staff Analysis**

<u>Change in Conditions Request Analysis</u>: According to the UDO, if a proposed amendment is for the rezoning of property and involves a change in zoning classification, or change in conditions, the Department shall evaluate the request and make a recommendation with respect to the standards governing exercise of zoning power as defined in Section 270-20.5. After this evaluation, staff makes the following findings based on the standards from the UDO:

A. Whether a proposed change in conditions will permit a use that is suitable in view of the use and development of adjacent and nearby property.

In order to accommodate the size of the building, multiple variances to the UDO are necessary. These variances will diminish the intent of the respective standards, which suggests the use is not suitable for the size of the property or its location relative to other uses. There are already

two existing gas stations just south and southwest of the site across Ridge Road on either side of Buford Drive. Although the commercial tenant suites might be appropriate at this location, a convenience store with fuel pumps that requires several variances from the UDO is not suitable.

## B. Whether a proposed change in conditions will adversely affect the existing use or usability of adjacent or nearby property.

The proposed multi-tenant commercial building with a convenience store with fuel pumps would share a driveway with the postal office to the north of the site, and a veterinary office to the east. These surrounding uses are generally low traffic generators while the proposed development would generate significantly more trips along the shared driveway and Ridge Road. In addition, the development proposes to locate the dumpster enclosure in the front of the site which would diminish the aesthetics of Ridge Road, impede traffic flow within the site, and result in a safety concern for employees. In addition, the site offers limited maneuverability for any fuel truck entering the site.

C. Whether the property to be affected by a proposed change in conditions has a reasonable economic use as currently zoned.

The property has a reasonable economic use as currently zoned.

D. Whether the proposed change in conditions will result in a use which will or could cause an excessive or burdensome use of existing streets, transportation facilities, utilities, or schools.

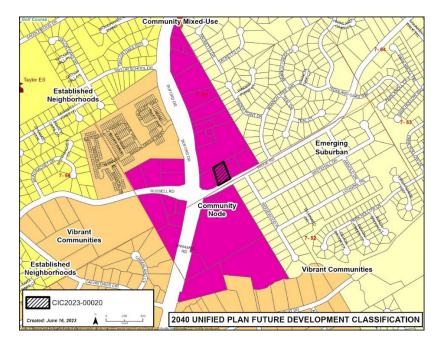
An increase in impacts on public facilities would be anticipated in the form of traffic, utility demand, and stormwater runoff; however, these impacts would be mitigated with appropriate conditions, site development requirements, and planning. No increased impact is anticipated on school enrollment. Agency review comments related to any potential improvements concerning this change in conditions request are attached (Exhibit F).

E. Whether the proposed change in conditions is in conformity with the policy and intent of the Unified Plan and Future Development Map; and

The subject property is located within the Community Node Character Area, which is characterized by high-density mixed-use developments, incorporating commercial, office, livework, and similar ground floor uses with high-density residential uses located at major intersections throughout the County. The Character Area intends future development and redevelopment to focus on making these nodes more pedestrian-oriented to serve surrounding residential communities and County residents by providing shopping, dining, and entertainment venues.

The proposed convenience store with fuel pumps and retail uses would not further the intent of the Community Node Character Area due its lack of a pedestrian-friendly design, and its compatibility to adjoining residential uses. Although the substantially small development includes three tenant suites, it is unlikely that businesses which include shopping, in house dining, or entertainment space would lease the approximately 1,000 square-foot spaces adjacent to a convenience store with fuel pumps. The design of the site, including the location of the pedestrian sidewalk next to the dumpster and the parking in the front along Ridge Road, is not an ideal design for developments within the Community Node Character Area. As such, the proposed change in conditions to allow a 7,200 square-foot building with a convenience store

and fuel pumps is not in conformity with the policy and intent of the Unified Plan and Future Development Map.



F. Whether there are other existing or changing conditions affecting the use and development of the property which give supporting grounds for either approval or disapproval of the proposed change in conditions.

The previous rezoning of the site limited the amount of retail and office space allowed at this location. Although the site is designated Community Node and the proposed development will include three tenant suites, a convenience store with fuel pumps will generate excessive vehicular traffic and does not introduce a service that would mostly benefit the surrounding residential area or promote appropriate future development of remaining undeveloped parcels nearby. Two convenience stores with fuel pumps are located just across Ridge Road. Another convenience store with fuel pumps would not be the best use of this site.

<u>Variance Request Analysis</u>: The standards for granting variances are outlined in Section 270-100.7 of the UDO. Staff makes the following findings related to the variance request:

The applicant requests four variances in order to facilitate the development of the multi-tenant building with a convenience store with fuel pumps. The variance specific to providing interparcel connection to the parcel to the west may be reasonable given the location of the building on the parcel and the difference in topography between the two sites. However, the request to reduce driveway width requirements for gas stations, and the request to locate the dumpster in the front yard suggests the development of a building that is too large for the overall site. The request to locate surface parking in front of the building represents an incompatibility with the pedestrian-friendly intent of the Mall of Georgia Overlay District standards. Approval of these variances would not benefit the area, and an alternative design could be proposed that aligns with UDO standards.

#### **Staff Recommendation**

Based on the staff's evaluation of the request and the standards governing the exercise of zoning power, the Department of Planning and Development recommends **DENIAL** of the change in conditions request.

In addition, staff recommends **DENIAL** of the following variances:

- 1. To not provide inter-parcel connection to the adjacent non-residential property west of the site.
- 2. To located one hundred percent of parking in the front yard of the building.
- 3. To locate a dumpster enclosure within the front yard of the site.
- 4. To construct a 37.5' wide interior driveway surrounding gasoline pumps.

#### **Staff Recommended Conditions**

NOTE: The following conditions are provided as a guide should the Board of Commissioners choose to approve this petition.

The conditions below are those from RZ-43-88 with suggested changes in bold or strikethrough.

Approval of a Change in Conditions for a convenience store with fuel pump, subject to the following conditions:

- 1. To restrict the use of the property as follows:
  - a. Retail and service commercial uses at a maximum density if 15,000 square feet and office and accessory uses including a convenience store with fuel pumps. at a maximum density of 14,000 square feet.
- 2. To satisfy the following site development considerations:
  - a. Provide a 50-foot natural buffer for the 0-I tract and a 75-foot natural buffer for the C-2 tract, undisturbed except for approved access and utility crossings and replanting where vegetated, adjacent to the north property line. Provide landscaping along the northern boundary of the parcel. Trees shall be evergreen, planted a minimum of five feet on center, and a minimum of 6-feet in height at the time of planting, subject to the review and approval of the Department of Planning and Development.
  - b. Provide a 50-foot natural buffer, undisturbed except for approved access and utility crossings and replantings where sparsely vegetated, adjacent to the east property line.
  - c. Provide a ten-foot wide landscape strip outside the new dedicated rights-of-way of Ridge Road and Georgia Highway 20.
  - d. Provide a five-foot wide landscape strip along internal property lines.
  - e. Provide interparcel access as may be required by the <del>Development Division.</del> **Department** of Planning and Development.
  - f. No billboards are permitted.
  - g. Sign regulations as required by the 1985 Zoning Resolution shall be met as minimum

- standards for this development.
- h. Dumpsters shall be screened by a fence or wall. The dumpster enclosure shall meet the screening requirements of the UDO.
- i. Garbage pick-up shall be limited to between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.
- j. Lighting shall be contained in cut-off type luminaries and shall be directed in toward the property so as not to reflect into adjacent residential properties.
- k. Buildings shall be finished with architectural treatments of brick, stone, stucco or other masonry finish. comply with Category 3 of the Gwinnett County Architectural Design Requirements.
- I. Curb cut locations subject to the review and approval of the Engineering Department.
- m. The proposed convenience store with fuel pumps shall be constructed in general conformance with Exhibit B: Site Plan dated received June 8, 2023, with revisions required by conditions of approval and the Unified Development Ordinance, as reviewed and approved by the Department of Planning and Development.
- 3. To abide by the following requirements, dedications, and improvements:
  - a. Dedicate at no cost to Gwinnett County 50 feet of right-of-way from the centerline of Ridge Road.
  - b. Dedicate at no cost to Gwinnett County right-of-way from the centerline of Georgia Highway 20 as required by the Georgia Department of Transportation.
  - c. Design required on-site storm water detention facilities such that they are not located within any required buffers.

#### **Planning Commission Recommendation**

Based on staff's evaluation of the request, information presented at the public hearing, and the Planning Commission's consideration of the standards governing the exercise of zoning power related to this application, the Planning Commission recommends **DENIAL** of the change in conditions request.

In addition, the Planning Commission recommends **DENIAL** of the following variance requests:

- 1. To not provide inter-parcel connection to the adjacent non-residential property west of the site.
- 2. To located one hundred percent of parking in the front yard of the building.
- 3. To locate a dumpster enclosure within the front yard of the site.
- 4. To construct a 37.5' wide interior driveway surrounding gasoline pumps.

#### **Exhibits:**

- A. Site Visit Photos
- B. Site Plan
- C. Letter of Intent and Applicant's Response to Standards
  D. Previously Approved Resolution (RZ-43-88)
  E. Application and Disclosure of Campaign Contributions
  F. Internal and External Agency Review Comments

- G. Maps

**Exhibit A: Site Visit Photos** 



View of Site Street Frontage Along Ridge Road



**View of Site Street Frontage Along Ridge Road Towards the Southwestern Corner** 



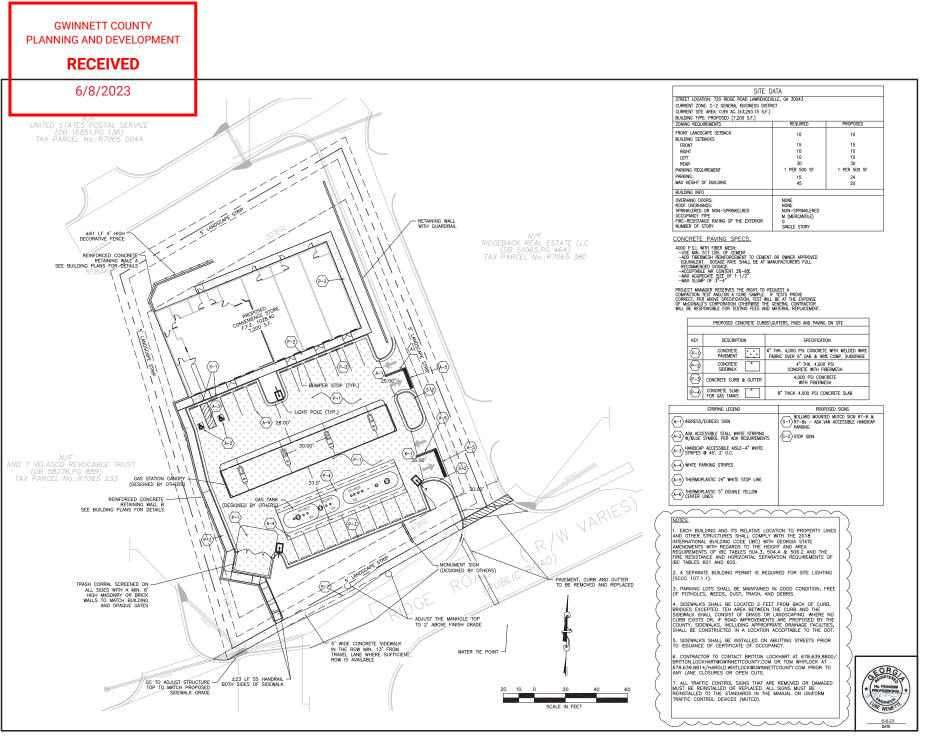
View of Internal Driveway East of Site



View of Topgraphic Shift in Land Between the Site and Adajcent Parcel to the West

#### **Exhibit B: Site Plan**

[attached]



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# Exhibit C: Letter of Intent and Applicant's Response to Standards [attached]



June 8, 2023

GWINNETT COUNTY
Department of Planning and Development
446 West Crogan Street, Suite 300
Lawrenceville, GA 30046

RE: 720 Ridge Road

Lawrenceville, GA

PARCEL ID: R7065-398

CHANGE IN CONDITIONS

#### TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Please accept this Letter of Intent for A Change in Conditions for the above referenced parcel which is currently zoned C2, for a convenience store/gas station at 720 Ridge Road, Lawrenceville. The changes include:

- Increase in allowable building square footage from 4,343 sf to 7,200 sf. (RZ-043-1988)
- Allow dumpster in front yard (UDO 230-120.14A)
- Allow 100% of parking in front of building (UDO 220-30.E.3)
- Allow a reduction in drive aisle width surrounding gas pumps (UDO 240-70.1.E)
- Allow removal of Condition 2A of RZ-43-88
- Allow a variance to not provide interparcel access to all adjacent commercial, office, industrial parcels (UDO 220-30.3.A.1)
- Allow a removal of Condition 2D of RZ-43-88. The site provides 5' setback on all sides except the east where there is an existing shared road that cannot be removed.

#### A copy of RZ-043-1988 is attached which states:

Retail and service commercial uses at a maximum density of 15,000 sf and office and accessory
uses at a maximum density of 14,000 sf. Currently, the total square footage of the existing Tract
C (zoned C2) is 10,538 sf and Tract C (zoned O&I) is 9,710 sf.

#### Currently, the UDO states:

- 230-120.14A: Dumpsters are to be located in the rear or side yard. They are not allowed in front yards and to be a minimum of 5' from property lines.
- 220-30.E.3: Freestanding buildings or shopping center developments containing 7,500 gross square feet of space or less shall provide no more than 20 percent of parking areas in the front

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• 240-70.1.E: Interior driveways surrounding gasoline pumps shall be increased to 40 feet in total width (as measured from the base of the gasoline pump islands).

#### RZ-043-1988

In order for the project to be viable financially, the site needs to yield 7,200 SF. Code would support a building of this size; however, there is an old zoning condition from 1988 that limits the SF of this overall commercial parcel to 15,0000 SF of which CVS has used 10,500.

#### 230-120.14A

There is no space in the rear or side yard to place the dumpster because of the retaining wall placement due to topographic conditions. The proposed dumpster is more than 5' from the property lines. The constraints are due to the topographical condition since it is related to the general grading of the site. We would like to move the dumpster to the front yard because the existing topography requires the dumpster to be the front. Granting this variance will not affect the neighboring properties, and it will be screened with minimal visibility. In fact our layout will be very similar to the Chevron across the street that has their screened dumpster in the front yard. The requested variance will not cause harm to health, safety, morals, convenience, order, prosperity, or the general welfare of the present and future inhabitants of Gwinnett County.

#### 220-30.E.3

100 percent of the parking space is being proposed in the front of the building since the gas station canopy is to be placed in front of the building with parking spaces surrounding the gas station canopy for customers to provide a safer environment and better accessibility. Granting this variance will not affect the neighboring properties and the requested variance will not cause harm to health, safety, morals, convenience, order, prosperity, or the general welfare of the present and future inhabitants of Gwinnett County. In fact all of the surrounding parcels have their parking in the front of their establishments.

#### 240-70.1.E

The 40' wide driveway surrounding the gas pumps requirement cannot be met due to the small size of the property. However, we're meeting the minimum driveway requirements for fire trucks and providing truck turns for fuel trucks. Granting this variance will not affect the neighboring properties and the requested variance will not cause harm to health, safety, morals, convenience, order, prosperity, or the general welfare of the present and future inhabitants of Gwinnett County.

Thanks,

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Teresa Curry, P.E.

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**Gwinnett County Planning Division** Change in Conditions Application Last Updated 10/2021

#### **CHANGE IN CONDITIONS APPLICANT'S RESPONSE**

STANDARDS GOVERNING THE EXERCISE OF THE ZONING POWER

PURSUANT TO REQUIREMENTS OF THE UNIFIED DEVELOPMENT ORDINANCE, THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS FINDS THAT THE FOLLOWING STANDARDS ARE RELEVANT IN BALANCING THE INTEREST IN PROMOTING THE PUBLIC HEALTH, SAFETY, MORALITY OR GENERAL WELFARE AGAINST THE RIGHT TO THE UNRESTRICTED USE OF PROPERTY AND SHALL GOVERN THE EXERCISE OF THE ZONING POWER.

PLEASE RESPOND TO THE FOLLOWING STANDARDS IN THE SPACE PROVIDED OR USE AN ATTACHMENT AS NECESSARY:

- (A) WHETHER A PROPOSED CHANGE IN CONDITIONS WILL PERMIT A USE THAT IS SUITABLE IN VIEW OF THE USE AND DEVELOPMENT OF ADJACENT AND NEARBY PROPERTY: The proposed change in conditions will permit a use that is suitable in view of the use and development of adjacent and nearby properties.
- (B) WHETHER A PROPOSED CHANGE IN CONDITIONS WILL ADVERSELY AFFECT THE EXISTING USE OR USABILITY OF ADJACENT OR NEARBY PROPERTY: The proposed change in conditions will not adversely affect the existing use or usability of adjacent or nearby property.
- (C) WHETHER THE PROPERTY TO BE AFFECTED BY A PROPOSED CHANGE IN CONDITIONS HAS REASONABLE ECONOMIC USE AS CURRENTLY ZONED:

The property affected by a change in conditions has reasonable economic use as currently zoned.

- (D) WHETHER THE PROPOSED CHANGE IN CONDITIONS WILL RESULT IN A USE WHICH WILL OR COULD CAUSE AN EXCESSIVE OR BURDENSOME USE OF EXISTING STREETS, TRANSPORTATION FACILITIES, UTILITIES, OR SCHOOLS: The proposed change in conditions will not cause an excessive or burdensome use of existing streets, transportation facilities, utilities, or schools.
- WHETHER THE PROPOSED CHANGE IN CONDITIONS IS IN CONFORMITY WITH THE POLICY AND INTENT OF THE LAND USE PLAN: The property affected by a change in conditions is in conformity with the policy and intent of the land use plan.
- WHETHER THERE ARE OTHER EXISTING OR CHANGING CONDITIONS AFFECTING THE USE AND DEVELOPMENT OF THE PROPERTY WHICH GIVE SUPPORTING GROUNDS FOR EITHER APPROVAL OR DISAPPROVAL OF THE PROPOSED CHANGE IN CONDITIONS:

None known.

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### **Exhibit D: Previously Approved Resolution (RZ-43-88)**

[attached]

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VOTE

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

GWINNETT COUNTY

LAWRENCEVILLE, GEORGIA

RESOLUTION

#### READING AND ADOPTION:

At the regular meeting of the Gwinnett County Board of Commissioners held in the Berkmar High School Cafeteria, 405 Pleasant Hill Road, Lilburn, Georgia.

Lillian Webb, Chairman

Ken Suffridge, District 1

Scott Ferguson, District 2

Mike Berg, District 3

Don Loggins, District 4

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On motion of  $\underline{\text{COMM. LOGGINS}}$  , which carried  $\underline{\text{3-2}}$  , the following resolution was adopted:

A RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE OFFICIAL ZONING MAP

WHEREAS, the Municipal-Gwinnett County Planning Commission has held a duly advertised public hearing and has filed a formal recommendation with the Gwinnett County Board of Commissioners upon an Application to Amend the Official Zoning Map from R-100 to C-2 AND C-1 (AMENDED TO C-2 AND O-1)

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by CONSOLIDATED EQUITIES GROUP, INC.	for the
proposed use of <u>SHOPPING CENTER AND RETAIL USES (A</u>	MENDED TO
RETAIL AND OFFICE USES) on a tract of land describ	ed by the
attached legal description, which is incorporated he	rein and made
a part hereof by reference; and	

WHEREAS, notice to the public regarding said Amendment to the Official Zoning Map has been duly published in THE GWINNETT DAILY NEWS, the Official News Organ of Gwinnett County; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing was held by the Gwinnett

County Board of Commissioners on MAY 24, 1988

and objections were filed;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Gwinnett County Board of Commissioners this the <u>24TH</u> day of <u>MAY</u>, 1988 that the aforesaid application to amend the Official Zoning Map from <u>R-100</u> to <u>C-1 AND C-2 (AMENDED TO C-2 AND O-I)</u> is hereby APPROVED as O-I for Tract C and C-2 for Tract B, subject to the following enumerated conditions:

- 1. To restrict the use of the property as follows:
  - A. Retail and service commercial uses at a maximum density of 15,000 square feet and office and accessory uses at a maximum density of 14,000 square feet.
- 2. To satisfy the following site development considerations:
  - A. Provide a 50-foot natural buffer for the O-I tract and a 75-foot natural buffer for the C-2 tract, undisturbed except for approved access and utility crossings and replantings where sparsely vegetated, adjacent to the north property line.

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- B. Provide a 50-foot natural buffer, undisturbed except for approved access and utility crossings and replantings where sparsely vegetated, adjacent to the east property line.
- C. Provide a ten-foot wide landscape strip outside the new dedicated rights-of-way of Ridge Road and Georgia Highway 20.
- D. Provide a five-foot wide landscape strip along internal property lines.
- E. Provide interparcel access as may be required by the Development Division.
- F. No billboards are permitted.
- G. Sign regulations as required by the 1985 Zoning Resolution shall be met as minimum standards for this development.
- H. Dumpsters shall be screened by a fence or wall.
- I. Garbage pick-up shall be limited to between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.
- J. Lighting shall be contained in cut-off type luminaries and shall be directed in toward the property so as not to reflect into adjacent residential properties.
- K. Buildings shall be finished with architectural treatments of brick, stone, stucco or other masonry finish.
- L. Curb cut locations subject to the review and approval of the Engineering Department.
- 3. To abide by the following requirements, dedications and improvements:
  - A. Dedicate at no cost to Gwinnett County 50 feet of right-of-way from the centerline of Ridge Road.
  - B. Dedicate at no cost to Gwinnett County right-of-way from the centerline of Georgia Highway 20 as required by the Georgia Department of Transportation.
  - C. Design required on-site storm water detention facilities such that they are not located within any required buffers.

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By: <u>Cellan Webb, Chairman</u>

ATTEST:

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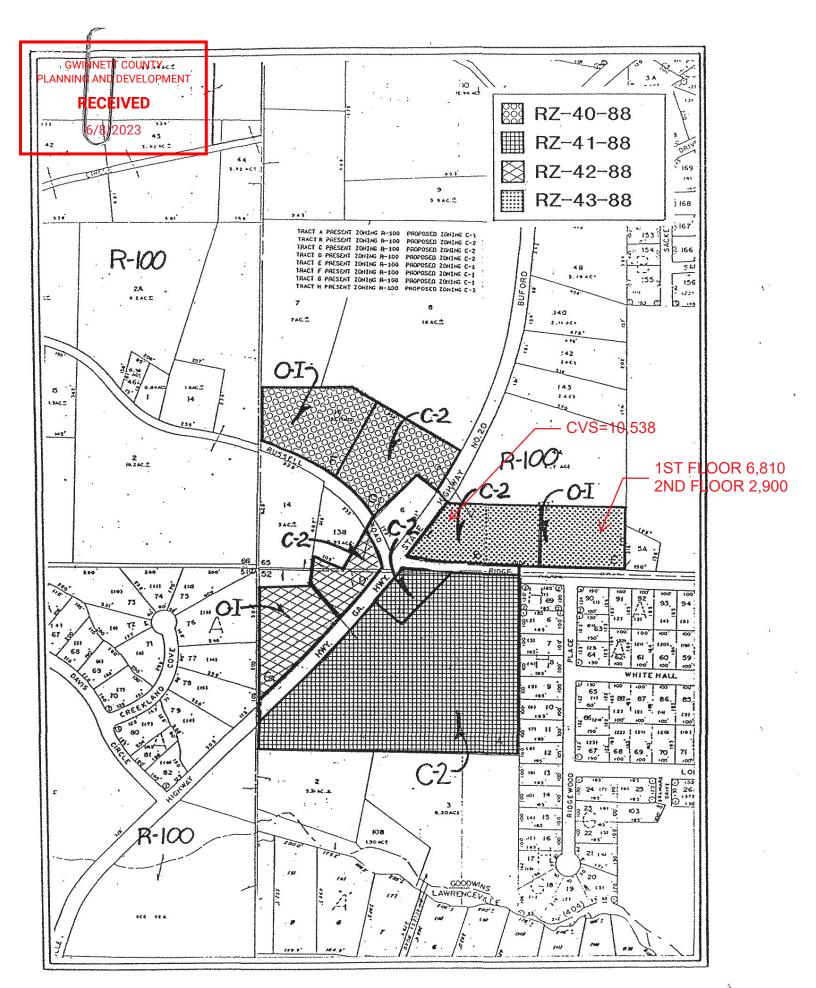
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#### TRACT "B"

JOHN D. ROESER, U.S., PE - GRANT SHEPHERD, U.S. - GREGORY I. DELANRY, PE

All that tract or parcel of land lying and being in land lot 65 of the 7th District of Gwinnett County, Georgia and being more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at the northeast intersection of Georgia Highway 20 (60' R/W) and Ridge Road (80' R/W) and thence continuing along the east right-of-way line of Georgia Highway 20 N 03° 21' 26" E, a distance of 64.08 feet to a point; thence continuing N 02° 19' 56" E, a distance of 185.23 feet to a point; thence leaving said right-of-way N 60° 13' 16" E, a distance of 457.40 feet to a point; thence S 29° 46' 44" E, a distance of 258.32 feet to a point, said point being on the north right-of-way line of Ridge Road; thence continuing along said right-of-way line S 62° 20' 00" W, a distance of 91.67 feet to a point; thence continuing S 60° 09' 00" W, a distance of 91.43 feet to a point; thence continuing along the arc of a curve to the right 411.10 feet, said curve having a radius of 1869.86 feet to the TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING. Containing 3.00 acres.



# Exhibit E: Application and Disclosure of Campaign Contributions [attached]

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#### **CHANGE IN CONDITIONS APPLICATION**

AN APPLICATION TO AMEND THE OFFICIAL ZONING MAP OF GWINNETT COUNTY, GEORGIA

APPLICANT INFORMATION	PROPERTY OWNER INFORMATION*		
NAME: Teresa Curry, P.E., AXIS Infrastructure, LLC	NAME: Mohammad Faizahmed		
ADDRESS: 70 Mansell Ct. Suite 200	ADDRESS: 2160 Lockett Court		
CITY: Roswell	CITY: Duluth		
STATE: Georgia ZIP: 30076	STATE: Georgia ZIP: 30097		
PHONE: 678-778-1617	PHONE: 678-778-1617		
EMAIL: lorrainecanada@axiscompanies.com	EMAIL: lorrainecanada@axiscompanies.com		
CONTACT PERSON: Lorraine Canada PI	HONE:678-778-1617		
CONTACT'S E-MAIL: lorrainecanada@axiscompanio	es.com		
APPLICANT IS THE:  X OWNER'S AGENT PROPERTY OWNER CONTRACT PURCHASER			
ZONING DISTRICTS(S): PRIOR ZONING CASE: RZ-043-1988			
PARCEL NUMBER(S): R7065-398	ACREAGE: 0.99		
ADDRESS OF PROPERTY: 720 Ridge Road, Lawrenceville, GA 30043			
PROPOSED CHANGE IN CONDITIONS:  1. Increase allowable building square footage from 4,343 sf to 7,200 sf. 2. Allow dumpster in front yard 3. Allow 100% of parking in front of the building. 4. Allow a reduction in drive aisle width surrounding gas pumps. 5. Allow a removal of Condition 2A of RZ-43-88. 6. Allow a variance to not provide interparcel access to all adjacent commercial, office, industrial parcels (UDO 220-30.3.A.1) 7. Allow a removal of Condition 2D of RZ-43-88. The site provides 5' setback on all sides			
except the east where there is an existing shared road that cannot be removed.  RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT:  NON-RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT:			
NO. OF LOTS/DWELLING UNITS:	NO. OF BUILDINGS/LOTS: 1 bldg/1 lot		
DWELLING UNIT SIZE (Sq. Ft.):	TOTAL GROSS SQUARE FEET: 7,200 sf		
GROSS DENSITY:	DENSITY:		
NET DENSITY:			

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#### CHANGE IN CONDITIONS APPLICANT'S CERTIFICATION

THE UNDERSIGNED BELOW IS AUTHORIZED TO MAKE THIS APPLICATION. THE UNDERSIGNED IS AWARE THAT NO APPLICATION OR REAPPLICATION AFFECTING THE SAME LAND SHALL BE ACTED UPON WITHIN 12 MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF LAST ACTION BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS UNLESS WAIVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS. IN NO CASE SHALL AN APPLICATION OR REAPPLICATION BE ACTED UPON IN LESS THAN SIX (6) MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF LAST ACTION BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS.

They 5-25-23

Signature of Applicant Date

Teresa Curry, Partner - Axis Infrastructure, LLC

Type or Print Name and Title

5-25-23

gnature of Notary Public Date

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#### CHANGE IN CONDITIONS PROPERTY OWNER'S CERTIFICATION

THE UNDERSIGNED BELOW, OR AS ATTACHED, IS THE OWNER OF THE PROPERTY CONSIDERED IN THIS APPLICATION. THE UNDERSIGNED IS AWARE THAT NO APPLICATION OR REAPPLICATION AFFECTING THE SAME LAND SHALL BE ACTED UPON WITHIN 12 MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF LAST ACTION BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS UNLESS WAIVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS. IN NO CASE SHALL AN APPLICATION OR REAPPLICATION BE ACTED UPON IN LESS THAN SIX (6) MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF LAST ACTION BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS.

Signature of Property Owner

5-25-23

Date

Mohammad Faizahmed, Owner

Type or Print Name and Title

5-25-23

Date

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#### CONFLICT OF INTEREST CERTIFICATION FOR CHANGE IN CONDITIONS

the Official Code of Georgia S	ection 36-67A-1, et	ange in conditions, has complied with seq, Conflict of Interest in Zoning information on the forms provided.
Not what	5-25-23	Mohammad Faizahmed, Owner
Signature of Property Owner	Date	Type of Print Name and Title
Miley	5-25-23	Teresa Curry, Partner Axis Infrastructure, LLC
Signature of Applicant's Attorney or Representative	Date	Type or Print Name and Title
Lonaie Om	5-25-23	LORRAINE WYNN NOTARY PUBLIC FULTON COUNTY STATE OF GEORGIA Commission # W-00531960 My Comm. Expires Nov. 16, 2025
Signature of Notary Public	Date	Notary Seal

#### DISCLOSURE OF CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTIONS

Have you, within the two years immediately preceding the filing of this application, made campaign contributions aggregating \$250.00 or more to a member of the Board of Commissioners or a member of the Gwinnett County Planning Commission?

YES	X NO	Mohammad Faizahmed, Owner
		Your Name

If the answer is yes, please complete the following section:

NAME AND OFFICAL	CONTRIBUTIONS	DATE CONTRIBUTION WAS
POSITION OF	(List all which aggregate	MADE
GOVERNMENT OFFICIAL	to \$250 or More)	(Within last two years)

Attach additional sheets if necessary to disclose or describe all contributions.

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## VERIFICATION OF CURRENT PAID PROPERTY TAXES FOR CHANGE IN CONDITIONS

THE UNDERSIGNED CERTIFIES THAT ALL GWINNETT COUNTY PROPERTY TAXES BILLED TO DATE FOR THE PARCEL LISTED BELOW HAVE BEEN PAID IN FULL TO THE TAX COMMISSIONER OF GWINNETT COUNTY, GEORGIA. IN NO CASE SHALL AN APPLICATION OR REAPPLICATION FOR REZONING BE PROCESSED WITHOUT SUCH PROPERTY VERIFICATION.

\* <u>NOTE</u>: A SEPARATE VERIFICATION FORM MUST BE COMPLETED FOR EACH TAX PARCEL INCLUDED IN THE REZONING REQUEST.

TAROLL INCLUDED IN THE R	LZOMINO NEQUE	<b>51.</b>		
PARCEL I.D. NUMBER:	7 -	65 _	398	
(Map Reference Number)	District	Land Lot	Parcel	
Mhley			5-25-23	
Signature of Applicant			Date	
Teresa Curry, Partner Axis Infras	structure, LLC			
Type or Print Name and Title				
JUSTICE AND ADMINISTRA BELOW.***	TAX COMMISSIO		E, FOR THEIR APP	
(PAYMENT OF ALL PROPERTY TAXES BILLED TO DATE FOR THE ABOVE REFERENCED PARCEL HAVE BEEN VERIFIED AS PAID CURRENT AND CONFIRMED BY THE SIGNATURE BELOW)				
Lucy Broadnax		Tax Service	s Associate II	
NAME			TITLE	
05/25/2023		_		
DATE		_		

# Exhibit F: Internal and External Agency Review Comments

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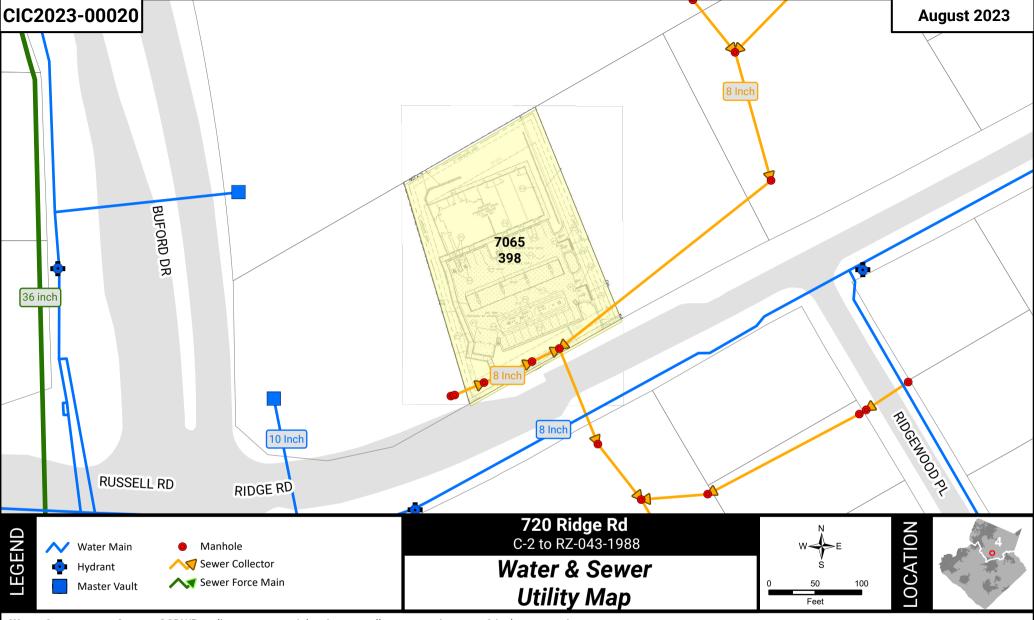
# Department of Planning and Development TECHNICAL REVIEW COMMITTEE

	Meeting Date:	07.05.2023		
Department/Agency Name:		Transportation		
Revie	ewer Name:	Brent Hodges		
Revie	ewer Title:	Construction Mana	ager 1	
Revie	ewer Email Address:	Brent.Hodges@gw	innettcounty.com	
Case	Number:	CIC2023-00020		
Case	Address:	720 Ridge Road, La	awrenceville, 30043	
	Comments:	X YES	NO	
1	Ridge Road is a major collector. ADT	= 6,046.		
	3.1 miles to the nearest transit facility Way.	r (#2454819) Collin	s Hill Road and Collins Industrial	
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	Recommended Zoning Conditions:	YES	X NO	
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# Department of Planning and Development TECHNICAL REVIEW COMMITTEE

TRC	Meeting Date:			
Department/Agency Name:		DWR		
Revie	wer Name:	Mike Pappas		
Revie	wer Title:	GIS Planning Manager		
Revie	wer Email Address:	Michael.pappas@gwinnettcounty.com		
Case	Number:	CIC2023-00020		
Case	Address:	720 Ridge Rd		
	Comments:	X YES NO		
1	Water: Contact GCDWR to discuss a potentia	l variance to allow connection to an 8-inch water main.		
2		3-107-05) has been approved for 3,200 square feet of retail nect to an existing 8-inch gravity sewer main located on the		
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	Recommended Zoning Conditions:	YES X NO		
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Water Comments: Contact GCDWR to discuss a potential variance to allow connection to an 8-inch water main.

Sewer Comments: A Sewer Capacity Certification (C2023-107-05) has been approved for 3,200 square feet of retail and 8 gas pumps. The development may connect to an existing 8-inch gravity sewer main located on the subject parcel.

Water Availability: Water demands imposed by the proposed development may require upsizing or extensions of existing water mains in order to meet Gwinnett County Standards and fire flow demands. Any cost associated with such required improvements will be the responsibility of the development. Current Gwinnett County Standards require a minimum of 12" pipe size for commercial developments and a minimum of 8" pipe size for residential developments. Additionally, connection to a minimum of 12" and 8" mains are required for commercial and residential developments, respectively. It is the responsibility of the developer's engineer to confirm pressure and volumes are available for the development.

Sewer Availability: A Sewer Capacity Certification must be obtained from Gwinnett County to confirm the existing system can serve the development. Sewer demands imposed by the proposed development may require upsizing and/or extensions of existing sewer mains, and/or installation of a new pump station. Any cost associated with such required improvements will be the responsibility of the development. The developer shall provide easements for future sewer connection to all locations designated by Gwinnett County during plan review.

Water and Sewer Design and Construction Requirements: Extensions of the water and/or sanitary Sewer Systems within the subject development must conform to this department's policies, Gwinnett County's ordinances, and the Water Main and Sanitary Sewer Design and Construction Standards and Specifications, dated April 5th, 2016. Subsequent to design, construction, inspection, and final acceptance of the required utilities, service would then become available under the applicable utility permit rate schedules.

Private Road Developments: Any developments with private roads must comply with the Standard Policy Requirement for the Installation of Water and Sanitary Sewer Mains within Private Developments: This policy stipulates minimum easement requirements and location of public mains and appurtenances, among other requirements.

### **Exhibit G: Maps**

[attached]



