CITY OF SARATOGA SPRINGS

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APPLICATION FOR:
APPEAL TO THE ZONING BOARD FOR AN INTERPRETATION, USE VARIANCE, AREA VARIANCE AND/OR VARIANCE EXTENSION

	APPLICANT(S)*	OWNER(S) *(If not applicant)*	Applicant's ATTORNEY/AGENT
Name	Samuel Brewton, Gerald & Debra Mattison, Sandra Cohen	ANW Holdings, LLC (contract vendee)	Jonathon B. Tingley, Esq. Tuczinski, Cavalier & Gilchrist, PC
Address	[redacted]	563 North Broadway	54 State Street, Suite 803
	[redacted]	Saratoga Springs, New York 12866	Albany, New York 12207
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Email	[redacted]	unknown	[redacted]

~~*An applicant must be the property owner, lessee, or one with an option to lease or purchase the property in question.~~
Applicants are persons aggrieved by the February 22, 2016 Determination of the Zoning and Building Inspector concerning the Downton Walk Project.

Applicant's interest in the premises: ~~☒ Owner~~ ~~☒ Lessee~~ ~~☒ Under option to lease or purchase~~
[x] Persons Aggrieved

PROPERTY INFORMATION

1. Property Address/Location: 27 Jumel Place Tax Parcel No.: 166 . 13 - 1 - 50.2
(*for example: 165.52 – 4 – 37*)

2. Date acquired by current owner: Contract Vendee 3. Zoning District when purchased: UR-3

4. Present use of property: Storage 5. Current Zoning District: UR-3

6. Has a previous ZBA application/appeal been filed for this property?
☒ Yes (when? February 22, 2016 (approx) For what? Area Variances)
☐ No

7. Is property located within (check all that apply)?: ☐ Historic District ☐ Architectural Review District
☒ 500' of a State Park, city boundary, or county/state highway?

8. Brief description of proposed action: Project Developer ANW Holdings, Inc. seeks to construct seven-unit condominium project. This Application appeals from the February 22, 2016 Determination of the Zoning and Building Inspector, which determined that no use variance was required.

9. Is there a written violation for this parcel that is not the subject of this application? ☐ Yes ☐ No Unknown

10. Has the work, use or occupancy to which this appeal relates already begun? ☐ Yes ☒ No

11. Identify the type of appeal you are requesting *(check all that apply)*:

☒ INTERPRETATION (p. 2) ☐ VARIANCE EXTENSION (p. 2) ☐ USE VARIANCE (pp. 3-6) ☐ AREA VARIANCE (pp. 6-7)

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☒ Interpretation	$ 400
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☐ Extensions:	$ 150

INTERPRETATION – **PLEASE ANSWER THE FOLLOWING** (add additional information as necessary):

1. Identify the section(s) of the Zoning Ordinance for which you are seeking an interpretation:

Section(s) Article 2, Table 1, Section 2.2, Table 2

2. How do you request that this section be interpreted? The UR-3 zoning district does not permit multi-family residential use. The Downton Walk seven-unit condominium project is a multi-family residential use proposed for property located in the UR-3 zoning district. A use variance is required. See attached Letter Memorandum and Exhibits.

3. If interpretation is denied, do you wish to request alternative zoning relief? ☐ Yes ☒ No

4. If the answer to #3 is "yes," what alternative relief do you request? ☐ Use Variance ☐ Area Variance

EXTENSION OF A VARIANCE – **PLEASE ANSWER THE FOLLOWING** (add additional information as necessary):

1. Date original variance was granted: _____ 2. Type of variance granted? ☐ Use ☐ Area

3. Date original variance expired: _____

5. Explain why the extension is necessary. Why wasn't the original timeframe sufficient?

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A use variance is requested to permit the following: _____

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2. That the financial hardship relating to this property is unique and does not apply to a substantial portion of the neighborhood. Difficulties shared with numerous other properties in the same neighborhood or district would not satisfy this requirement. This previously identified financial hardship is unique for the following reasons:

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4. That the alleged hardship has not been self-created. An applicant (whether the property owner or one acting on behalf of the property owner) cannot claim "unnecessary hardship" if that hardship was created by the applicant, or if the applicant acquired the property knowing (or was in a position to know) the conditions for which the applicant is seeking relief. The hardship has not been self-created for the following reasons:

AREA VARIANCE – **PLEASE ANSWER THE FOLLOWING** (add additional information as necessary):

The applicant requests relief from the following Zoning Ordinance article(s) _____

Dimensional Requirements	From	To

Other: _____

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To grant an area variance, the ZBA must balance the benefits to the applicant and the health, safety, and welfare of the neighborhood and community, taking into consideration the following:

1. Whether the benefit sought by the applicant can be achieved by other feasible means. Identify what alternatives to the variance have been explored (alternative designs, attempts to purchase land, etc.) and why they are not feasible.

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2. Whether granting the variance will produce an undesirable change in the character of the neighborhood or a detriment to nearby properties. Granting the variance will not create a detriment to nearby properties or an undesirable change in the neighborhood character for the following reasons:

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3. Whether the variance is substantial. The requested variance is not substantial for the following reasons:

4. Whether the variance will have adverse physical or environmental effects on neighborhood or district. The requested variance will not have an adverse physical or environmental effect on the neighborhood or district for the following reasons:

5. Whether the alleged difficulty was self-created (although this does not necessarily preclude the granting of an area variance). Explain whether the alleged difficulty was or was not self-created:

DISCLOSURE

Does any City officer, employee, or family member thereof have a financial interest (as defined by General Municipal Law Section 809) in this application? ☑ No ☐ Yes If "yes", a statement disclosing the name, residence and nature and extent of this interest must be filed with this application.

APPLICANT CERTIFICATION

I/we, ~~the property owner(s), or purchaser(s)/lessee(s) under contract, of~~ the persons aggreived by the February 22, 2016 Determination concerning the land in question, hereby request an appearance before the Zoning Board of Appeals.

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S/ Samuel Brewton Date: 3/18/2016
(applicant signature)

_____ Date: _____
(applicant signature)

If applicant is not the currently the owner of the property, the current owner must also sign.

Owner Signature: Not Applicable - Applicants Are Persons Aggrieved by February 22, 2016 Determination of Zoning and Building Inspector Date: _____

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S/ Debra Mattison
(applicant signature)

Date: 3/18/16

(applicant signature)

Date:

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S/ Sandra Cohen
(applicant signature)

Date: 3/18/2016

(applicant signature)

Date:

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Date:

Owner Signature:

Date:

ZONING AND BUILDING INSPECTOR DENIAL
OF APPLICATION FOR LAND USE AND/OR BUILDING

*****See Exhibit A for Zoning and Building Inspector Determination*****

APPLICANT: _____ TAX PARCEL NO.: _____.____ - _____ - _____

PROPERTY ADDRESS: _____ ZONING DISTRICT: _____

This applicant has applied to use the identified property within the City of Saratoga Springs for the following:

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_____. As such, the following relief would be required to proceed:

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Other: _____

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Note: _____

☐ Advisory Opinion required from Saratoga County Planning Board

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ZONING AND BUILDING INSPECTOR DATE

*****See Exhibit A for Zoning and Building Inspector Determination*****

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March 18, 2016

VIA HAND DELIVERY

Zoning Board of Appeals
City of Saratoga Springs
City Hall – 474 Broadway
Saratoga Springs, New York 12866

Re: Interpretation Request
Appeal from Zoning and Building Inspector Determination, February 22, 2016
Tax Parcel No. 166.13-1-50.2
Project: ANW Holdings, LLC, 27 Jumel Place

Dear Zoning Board of Appeals:

We represent Samuel Brewton, Gerald and Debra Mattison, and Sandra Cohen (hereinafter, "***Appellants***") in connection with the above-referenced matter.

Submitted herewith are the following exhibits:

Exhibit A February 22, 2016 Determination of the Zoning and Building Inspector

Exhibit B Project Application Materials for the Downton Walk Project, 27 Jumel Place, S/B/L 166.13-1-50.2

Exhibit C Relevant Excerpts of 2015 Comprehensive Plan

Exhibit D Tax Map Showing Proximity of Project Site to Appellants' Properties

The Appellants hereby appeal from the Zoning and Building Inspector Determination dated February 22, 2016 (the "***February 22, 2016 Determination***"), wherein the Zoning and Building Inspector determined that only area variances were required for the seven-unit condominium Downton Walk project (the "***Project***") proposed by ANW Holdings, LLC (the "***Developer***") for 27 Jumel Place (Tax Map Parcel No. 166.13-1-50.2) (the "***Project Site***"). See Exhibit A.

For the reasons that follow, the Project is not a permitted use in the Urban Residential-3 (UR-3) zoning district, and therefore, a use variance is required. The February 22, 2016 Determination finding that no use variance is required for the Project was erroneous and must be reversed.

1. Mr. Brewton, Mr. and Mrs. Mattison, and Ms. Cohen Have Standing to Prosecute this Appeal and To Seek the Interpretation Requested.

The Appellants each live at or own property located at [redacted] Lake Avenue are located adjacent to the Project Site. See Exhibit D. As such, Appellants are persons aggrieved by the February 22, 2016 Determination and have standing to appeal therefrom (Matter of Bonded Concrete, Inc. v. Zoning Bd. of Appeals, 268 AD2d 771, 772 [3d Dep't 2000]; Matter of Sun-Brite Car Wash v. Bd. of Zoning & Appeals, 69 NY2d 406, 413 [1987]).

2. This Appeal Seeking an Interpretation Stays All Proceedings in Furtherance of the February 22, 2016 Determination, Including any Decision on the Currently Pending Area Variance Application for the Downton Walk Project.

Please be advised that the filing of this appeal automatically stays all proceedings in furtherance of the February 22, 2016 Determination.

The City's Zoning Code purports to only stay "enforcement proceedings relating to any violation under appeal" (Zoning Ordinance, § 8.4.2 (C)). However, N.Y. General City Law § 81-a [6] stays "all proceedings in furtherance of the action appealed from". The City's Zoning Code does not purport to supersede state law in this regard, and even if it did, it would not be effective to render N.Y. General City Law § 81-a [6] inapplicable (see Kamhi v. Town of Yorktown, 74 NY2d 423, 434–35 [1989]; Cohen v. Bd. of Appeals, 100 NY2d 395 [2003]). Therefore, N.Y. General City Law § 81-a [6] applies to stay "all proceedings in furtherance of the [February 22, 2016 Determination]".

The currently pending area variance application before the Board is a proceeding "in furtherance of the [February 22, 2016 Determination]". The review and decision on the area variance application is therefore automatically stayed until this interpretation appeal is decided. No further proceedings may be taken or any decision rendered on the area variance application until this interpretation appeal has been decided.

3. The Proposed Use of the Lot is Prohibited in the UR-3 Zoning District and a Use Variance is Required.

The Project proposes a seven-unit condominium on a single lot in the UR-3 zoning district. See Exhibit B at 1, 9, 22, 23, 24.

The Zoning Code provides that the district intent of the UR-3 Zoning District is

> "[t]o conserve, maintain and encourage single family and two-family residential uses" (Zoning Ordinance, Article 2, Table 1).

Multi-family residential uses are not intended for the UR-3 zoning district, unlike other zoning districts, including the UR-4/4A zoning district, the intent of which is "[t]o accommodate a mix of single, two-family, and multi-family residential uses", and the UR-5 zoning district, the intent of which is "[t]o accommodate multi-family residential development at moderately high densities and to encourage a mix of housing types" (Zoning Ordinance, Article 2, Table 1 [emphasis added]).

The Zoning Ordinance thus draws a clear distinction between zoning districts intended to accommodate multi-family residential uses, and those intended to be limited to single family and two-family residential uses. The UR-3 zoning district is not intended for multi-family uses.

The term "use" is defined in the Zoning Ordinance as "[t]he specific use for which land or a building is designed, occupied or maintained" (Zoning Ordinance, Appendix A, at 18). A "use" is a "permitted use" where it is a "use which is or may be lawfully established in a particular district" (Zoning Ordinance, Appendix A, at 19). For the UR-3 zoning district, any use not specifically identified as "permitted" in the Table of Uses is a prohibited use (Zoning Ordinance, § 2.2(E)(1)).

For the UR-3 zoning district, the Table of Uses identifies single-family and two-family residential uses as permitted, but does not identify multi-family residential uses as permitted. The Table of Uses does provide that such multi-family uses are permitted in the UR-4/4-A, UR-5, and NCU-3 zoning districts.

Here, the specific "use" proposed by the Developer for the Project Site is a seven-family residential use. Although the Developer represents that each of the seven homes will be occupied by a single family, seven families will be using a single lot. Therefore, the Developer proposes a multi-family residential use as the "specific use for which the land . . . is designed, occupied or maintained" (Zoning Ordinance, Appendix A, at 18).

There will be seven dwelling units on the Project Site, which the Developer does not intend to subdivide into seven lots. The Developer intends to use the lot as a "condominium," which is defined as a "multi-family dwelling containing individually owned dwelling units, wherein the real property title and ownership are vested in an owner, who has an undivided interest with others in the common usage areas and facilities which serve the development" (Zoning Ordinance, Appendix A, at 7). Multi-family residential uses (condominiums or otherwise) are not permitted in the UR-3 zoning district. In fact, condominiums are only permitted in the T-4, T-5, and T-6 zoning districts (Zoning Ordinance, § 2.2(E)(1); Article 2, Table 2).

Under the 2015 Comprehensive Plan, the Project Site falls within a portion of the Core Residential Neighborhood-1 and Residential Neighborhood-2 designations. With respect to such designations, the 2015 Comprehensive Plan states:

> "***Core Residential Neighborhood-1 (CRN-1), Core Residential Neighborhood-2 (CRN-2), and Core Residential Neighborhood-3 (CRN-3)***
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> The Core Residential Neighborhood-1, -2, and -3 designations provide a transition from the Downtown Core and Complementary Core to the predominately residential neighborhood areas and represent the historic residential village. These areas are primarily residential in use, with single and two-family homes allowed in all three CRN designations, while multi-family uses are allowed only in the CRN-2 and CRN-3 areas. . . .
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> . . . .
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> ***Residential Neighborhood-1 (RN-1) and Residential Neighborhood-2 (RN-2)***
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> The Residential Neighborhood-1 and Residential Neighborhood-2 designations are characterized by single family residential uses and moderate density two-family. . . ." Exhibit C, at 6–7.

The Project at issue proposes a seven-unit multi-family residential use, and attempts to characterize it as a "single-family" use by separating each unit by a few feet. See Exhibit B at 24. The fact remains, however, that the "use" proposed for the single lot Project Site is a multi-family condominium, a use that is expressly prohibited in the UR-3 zoning district (but permitted elsewhere) and a use that is discouraged for this particular area of the City in the 2015 Comprehensive Plan.

Accordingly, the February 22, 2016 Determination was erroneous in that it failed to require the Developer to secure a use variance to permit the otherwise prohibited multi-family use of the Project Site. The February 22, 2016 Determination must be reversed, and Appellants request that the Zoning Board of Appeals issue an interpretation that the Project is a multi-family use that is prohibited in the UR-3 zoning district in the absence of a use variance.

Importantly, the requested reversal of the February 22, 2016 Determination and interpretation does not equate to disapproval of the Project. It merely enforces the current zoning for the UR-3 zoning district, effectuates the 2015 Comprehensive Plan's intent for this area, and requires the Developer to demonstrate its entitlement to a use variance to permit the Project as currently proposed, or alternatively, to secure subdivision approval to create separate lots so that the use of each lot is either a single-family permitted use or a two-family permitted use.

We thank the Board for its consideration of this appeal.

Very truly yours,

TUCZINSKI, CAVALIER & GILCHRIST, P.C.

By: _____
Jonathon B. Tingley

EXHIBIT A

ZONING AND BUILDING INSPECTOR DENIAL OF APPLICATION FOR LAND USE AND/OR BUILDING

APPLICANT: ANW HOLDINGS, INC. TAX PARCEL NO.: 166.13-1-50.2

PROPERTY ADDRESS: 27 JUMEL PLACE
ZONING DISTRICT: URBAN RESIDENTIAL-3

This applicant has applied to use the identified property within the City of Saratoga Springs for the following:

Proposed construction of a seven-unit condominium project (detached single-family residences).

This application is hereby denied upon the grounds that such use of the property would violate the City Zoning Ordinance article(s)

240-2.3 A., Table 3 and 6.4.5 A. As such, the following relief would be required to proceed:

☐ Extension of existing variance ☐ Interpretation

☐ Use Variance to permit the following: _____

☒ Area Variance seeking the following relief:

Dimensional Requirements	From	To
Max principal building coverage: 7 units combined	30%	46%
Max principal buildings on one lot:	1	7
Minimum front yard setback:	10 ft.	1 ft.
Minimum rear yard setback:	25 ft.	6 ft.
Maximum height residential fence:	6 ft.	8 ft.

☒ Advisory Opinion required from Saratoga County Planning Board

ZONING AND BUILDING INSPECTOR 2/22/16 DATE

EXHIBIT B

CITY OF SARATOGA SPRINGS

CITY HALL - 474 BROADWAY
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Name	AWW Holdings Inc.		
Address	563 North Broadway		
	Saratoga Springs NY 12866		
Tel./Fax	587-4413 / 587-0260	/	/
Email	[redacted]		

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Applicant's interest in the premises: ☐ Owner ☐ Lessee ☐ Under option to lease or purchase

PROPERTY INFORMATION

Property Address (No. & St.) 27 Jumel Place Side of St. (north, east, etc.) North

Tax Parcel No.: 166 . 13 - 50 - 2 *(for example: 165.52 – 4 – 37)* Tax District: ☒ Inside ☐ Outside

1. Date acquired by current owner: Under Contract 2. Zoning District when purchased: UR3

3. Present use of property: Multi Family - Ballet Studio 4. Current Zoning District: UR 3

5. Has a previous ZBA application/appeal been filed for this property? ☒ Yes (when? 10/31/13 for what?) ☐ No

6. Is property located within (check all that apply)?: ☐ Historic District ☐ Architectural Review District ☐ 500' of a State Park, city boundary, or county/state highway?

7. Brief description of proposed action: Tear down existing building and build seven unit single family condominium project.

8. Is there a written violation for this parcel that is not the subject of this application? ☐ Yes ☒ No

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Section(s) _____

2. How do you request that this section be interpreted? _____

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EXTENSION OF A VARIANCE – PLEASE ANSWER THE FOLLOWING (add additional information as necessary):

1. Date original variance was granted: 5/1/14 2. Type of variance granted? ☐ Use ☑ Area

3. Date original variance expired: 11/1/15 4. Length of extension requested: _____

5. Explain why the extension is necessary. Why wasn't the original timeframe sufficient?: We were unable to close on the property due to it being held up in probate for the last several months. We are anticipating to close within the next few weeks.

When requesting an extension of time for an existing variance, the applicant must prove that the circumstances upon which the original variance was granted have not changed. Specifically demonstrate that there have been no significant changes on the site, in the neighborhood, or within the circumstances upon which the original variance was granted:

Nothing has changed to this area & no new development

on or near this site.

USE VARIANCE – PLEASE ANSWER THE FOLLOWING (add additional information as necessary):

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Appraisal Assumptions: _____

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B. Has property been listed for sale with the Multiple Listing Service (MLS)? ☐ Yes ☐ No If "yes", for how long? _____

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3. That the variance, if granted, will not alter the essential character of the neighborhood. Changes that will alter the character of a neighborhood or district would be at odds with the purpose of the Zoning Ordinance. The requested variance will not alter the character of the neighborhood for the following reasons:

4. That the alleged hardship has not been self-created. An applicant (whether the property owner or one acting on behalf of the property owner) cannot claim "unnecessary hardship" if that hardship was created by the applicant, or if the applicant acquired the property knowing (or was in a position to know) the conditions for which the applicant is seeking relief. The hardship has not been self-created for the following reasons:

AREA VARIANCE – PLEASE ANSWER THE FOLLOWING (add additional information as necessary):

The applicant requests relief from the following Zoning Ordinance article(s) _____.

Dimensional Requirements	From	To	→ To
Fencing (exterior fence only)	6'	8'	
Lot Coverage	30%	(Prev. Appr.) 43.5%	46.0%
Front Yard Setback	10'	(Pre. Appr.) 5'	1'

Other: _____

To grant an area variance, the ZBA must balance the benefits to the applicant and the health, safety, and welfare of the neighborhood and community, taking into consideration the following:

1. Whether the benefit sought by the applicant can be achieved by other feasible means. Identify what alternatives to the variance have been explored (alternative designs, attempts to purchase land, etc.) and why they are not feasible.

   Our fencing request is new, asking for the height limit to go from 6 – 8' (exterior fence only). This creates privacy along the perimeter, a benefit to both sides of the fence. What is currently there is dilapidated and run down, hence aesthically a great improvement. Our modified request for front setback of 1' is what currently exists and consistent with surrounding homes. The 5' granted does not allow for our (2) front porches to be placed on the unit. This style entry fits with the street scape. Finally, the area coverage request of 46% is what was originally asked for, and necessary for the option of adding additional back porches on the homes; an opportunity for our clients to enjoy their backyards, since their fronts are quite limited in size. These variance alternatives are reasonable and contiguous with the urban feel of downtown.

2. Whether granting the variance will produce an undesirable change in the character of the neighborhood or a detriment to nearby properties. Granting the variance will not create a detriment to nearby properties or an undesirable change in the neighborhood character for the following reasons:

Granting the area variance will enhance the neighborhood by creating privacy, align the two front porches with the neighboring homes, and allow only 2.5% more in area coverage which was originally requested.

3. Whether the variance is substantial. The requested variance is not substantial for the following reasons:

This request is minimal and less than what currently exists on the property. The fence height increase is not substantial and benefits both the current and new homeowners.

4. Whether the variance will have adverse physical or environmental effects on neighborhood or district. The requested variance will not have an adverse physical or environmental effect on the neighborhood or district for the following reasons:

This is one lot, seven homes, a singular curb cut and permissable use of the land in lieu of its current nonconforming commercial use. Permeability exceeds the minimum, peaking at 35.10%, parking accommodations are onsite and traffic is reduced due to the applicable Urban Residential 3 zone. The lot will be properly cleaned and abated, a favorable influence both physically and environmentally on the neighborhood.

5. Whether the alleged difficulty was self-created (although this does not necessarily preclude the granting of an area variance). Explain whether the alleged difficulty was or was not self-created:

The difficulty was created by the need to change a non-conforming structure to a residential economically feasible solution. A win for all involved; neighbors, city, and a proper sustainable usage by City Standards.

In accord with Article 240-14.4A(1)(b)(6) of the Zoning Ordinance, "any request for an area variance, which shall effect a change in density, shall be applied for and considered as a use variance and decided under criteria for the same". A request that involves any of the following relief will require an application for a use variance and will be decided under the use variance criteria:

(1) Dimensional relief from minimum lot size requirements that would allow additional permitted units and/or uses
(2) Relief from on site parking requirements
(3) Reduction in land area requirements for multi-family units

DISCLOSURE

Does any City officer, employee, or family member thereof have a financial interest (as defined by General Municipal Law Section 809) in this application? ☒ No ☐ Yes If "yes", a statement disclosing the name, residence and nature and extent of this interest must be filed with this application.

APPLICANT CERTIFICATION

I/we, the property owner(s), or purchaser(s)/lessee(s) under contract, of the land in question, hereby request an appearance before the Zoning Board of Appeals.

By the signature(s) attached hereto, I/we certify that the information provided within this application and accompanying documentation is, to the best of my/our knowledge, true and accurate. I/we further understand that intentionally providing false or misleading information is grounds for immediate denial of this application.

Furthermore, I/we hereby authorize the members of the Zoning Board of Appeals and designated City staff to enter the property associated with this application for purposes of conducting any necessary site inspections relating to this appeal.

_____
(applicant signature)

_____
(applicant signature)

Sworn to before me this date:

Date: _____

_____
Notary Public

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Appendix C

State Environmental Quality Review

SHORT ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT FORM

For UNLISTED ACTIONS Only

PART I - PROJECT INFORMATION (To be completed by Applicant or Project sponsor)

1. APPLICANT/SPONSOR: ANW Holdings

2. PROJECT NAME:

3. PROJECT LOCATION: 27 Jumel Place

Municipality: Saratoga Springs, NY County: Saratoga

4. PRECISE LOCATION (Street address and road intersections, prominent landmarks, etc., or provide map):

5. PROPOSED ACTION IS: ☒ New ☐ Expansion ☐ Modification/alteration

6. DESCRIBE PROJECT BRIEFLY:

7 Individual Condominiums

7. AMOUNT OF LAND AFFECTED: Initially: _____ (acres) Ultimately: _____ (acres)

8. WILL PROPOSED ACTION COMPLY WITH EXISTING ZONING OR OTHER EXISTING LAND USE RESTRICTIONS?

☒ Yes ☐ No If No, describe briefly

9. WHAT IS PRESENT LAND USE IN VICINITY OF PROJECT?

☒ Residential ☐ Industrial ☐ Commercial ☐ Agriculture ☐ Park/Forest/Open Space ☐ Other

Describe:

10. DOES ACTION INVOLVE A PERMIT APPROVAL, OR FUNDING, NOW OR ULTIMATELY FROM ANY OTHER GOVERNMENTAL AGENCY (FEDERAL, STATE OR LOCAL)?

☒ Yes ☐ No If Yes, list agency(s) name and permit/approvals:

Bldg Dept - Saratoga Springs

11. DOES ANY ASPECT OF THE ACTION HAVE A CURRENTLY VALID PERMIT OR APPROVAL?

☐ Yes ☒ No If Yes, list agency(s) name and permit/approvals:

12. AS A RESULT OF PROPOSED ACTION WILL EXISTING PERMIT/APPROVAL REQUIRE MODIFICATION?

☐ Yes ☒ No

I CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION PROVIDED ABOVE IS TRUE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE

Applicant/sponsor name: _____ Date: _____

Signature: _____

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PART II - IMPACT ASSESSMENT (To be completed by Lead Agency)

A. DOES ACTION EXCEED ANY TYPE I THRESHOLD IN 6 NYCRR, PART 617.4? If yes, coordinate the review process and use the FULL EAF.
☐ Yes ☐ No

B. WILL ACTION RECEIVE COORDINATED REVIEW AS PROVIDED FOR UNLISTED ACTIONS IN 6 NYCRR, PART 617.6? If No, a negative declaration may be superseded by another involved agency.
☐ Yes ☐ No

C. COULD ACTION RESULT IN ANY ADVERSE EFFECTS ASSOCIATED WITH THE FOLLOWING: (Answers may be handwritten, if legible)

C1. Existing air quality, surface or groundwater quality or quantity, noise levels, existing traffic pattern, solid waste production or disposal, potential for erosion, drainage or flooding problems? Explain briefly:

C2. Aesthetic, agricultural, archaeological, historic or other natural or cultural resources; or community or neighborhood character? Explain briefly:

C3. Vegetation or fauna, fish, shellfish or wildlife species, significant habitats, or threatened or endangered species? Explain briefly:

C4. A community's existing plans or goals as officially adopted, or a change in use or intensity of use of land or other natural resources? Explain briefly:

C5. Growth, subsequent development, or related activities likely to be induced by the proposed action? Explain briefly:

C6. Long term, short term, cumulative, or other effects not identified in C1-C5? Explain briefly:

C7. Other impacts (including changes in use of either quantity or type of energy? Explain briefly:

D. WILL THE PROJECT HAVE AN IMPACT ON THE ENVIRONMENTAL CHARACTERISTICS THAT CAUSED THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A CRITICAL ENVIRONMENTAL AREA (CEA)?
☐ Yes ☐ No If Yes, explain briefly:

E. IS THERE, OR IS THERE LIKELY TO BE, CONTROVERSY RELATED TO POTENTIAL ADVERSE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS?
☐ Yes ☐ No If Yes, explain briefly:

PART III - DETERMINATION OF SIGNIFICANCE (To be completed by Agency)

INSTRUCTIONS: For each adverse effect identified above, determine whether it is substantial, large, important or otherwise significant. Each effect should be assessed in connection with its (a) setting (i.e. urban or rural); (b) probability of occurring; (c) duration; (d) irreversibility; (e) geographic scope; and (f) magnitude. If necessary, add attachments or reference supporting materials. Ensure that explanations contain sufficient detail to show that all relevant adverse impacts have been identified and adequately addressed. If question d of part II was checked yes, the determination of significance must evaluate the potential impact of the proposed action on the environmental characteristics of the CEA.

☐ Check this box if you have identified one or more potentially large or significant adverse impacts that **MAY** occur. Then proceed directly to the FULL EAF and/or prepare a positive declaration.

☐ Check this box if you have determined, based on the information and analysis above and any supporting documentation, that the proposed action **WILL NOT** result in any significant adverse environmental impacts **AND** provide, on attachments as necessary, the reasons supporting this determination.

Name of Lead Agency	Date
Print or Type Name of Responsible Officer in Lead Agency	Title of Responsible Officer
Signature of Responsible Officer in Lead Agency	Signature of Preparer (If different from responsible officer)

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IN THE MATTER OF THE APPEAL OF
ANW Holdings, Inc. of 564 Broadway
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from the Building Inspector's Denial of Application for Land Use and/or Building for the premises at 27 Jumel Place, Saratoga Springs, New York, identified as Tax Parcel No.: 166.13-1-50.2 in the inside district of the City.

The Applicant has applied for an area variance for relief from the current City Zoning Ordinance applicable to the Urban Residential - 3 zoning district to construct a seven unit condominium development seeking relief from the maximum principal buildings permitted on one lot, maximum principal building coverage, the minimum front yard setback requirements for the two units fronting on Jumel Place, and from the minimum rear yard setback requirements for the two units located at the rear of the property, and public notice having been duly given of a hearing on said application on July 9, 2013 and October 28, 2013.

In consideration of the balance between the benefit to the Applicant with the detriment to the health, safety and welfare of the community, the Board makes the following resolution that the requested area variance for the following relief or such lesser amount, as described in the submitted application, BE APPROVED:

Type of Requirement	Required	Existing	Proposed	Total Relief Requested
Maximum Principal Buildings on one lot	One (1)	One (1)	Seven (7)	6 (600)%
Maximum Building Coverage	30%	49.4%	43.5%	13.5% (45%)
Minimum Front Yard Setback for the 2 units fronting on Jumel Place	10 feet	1 foot	5 feet	5 feet (50%)
Minimum Rear Yard Setback for the 2 units located at the rear	25 feet	.7 foot	6 feet	19 feet (76%)

1. The Applicant has demonstrated that this benefit cannot be achieved by other means feasible. This Board has been asked to consider several prior applications to redevelop this property. It is currently used for mixed commercial and residential purposes with a large cement structure, formerly a manufacturing facility, located on the property. The current use is not conducive to a residential neighborhood and the noise and traffic generated by the current use has been an issue of concern for many of the neighbors. The unique nature

of this property and the prior failed attempts to arrive at a use for this property that is acceptable to neighbors, conforming with the neighborhood and economically feasible has demonstrated that the redevelopment of this property raises unusual and distinct issues. Not only has the Applicant explored alternate means to achieve the requested benefit including a smaller number of units which were evaluated and found to be economically unfeasible, but prior applicants have also attempted to use the structure for varied uses, all of which demonstrates that other alternatives have not been shown to be practical or economically feasible. The applicant has demonstrated that redeveloping this property from an unsightly cement structure used for commercial purposes into a seven unit residential condominium development is the best economically feasible use as shown on the proposed site plan for this property.

2. The Applicant has demonstrated that granting these variances will not create an undesirable change in neighborhood character or a detriment to nearby properties. Applicant had shown that removal of the current cement structure and construction of a seven unit condominium will result in a development that substantially conforms with the residential homes in the neighborhood. The Applicant has demonstrated, and several neighbors have testified in support, that this redevelopment will have a very beneficial impact on the neighborhood. The granting of these variances will result in the removal of a varied use (ballet school), unauthorized use (karate school) and prior nonconforming use (manufacturing facility) and result in a conforming use which is in keeping with the character of the neighborhood. We note that the City Planning Board issued a favorable advisory opinion identifying that "This site can adequately accommodate development of this scale, and that the overall density proposed is compatible with the surrounding neighborhood." Based on the foregoing, the granting the variances will improve the appearance of the property and will not create an undesirable change in neighborhood character or impact on nearby properties, but rather a desirable and valuable change.

3. The relief requested may be considered substantial, but is mitigated by the fact that the current existing structure is non-conforming and by the fact that the lot, at 34,765.50 square feet, would accommodate either five single-family lots or four two-family buildings for total of eight residences. The requested variance, for seven units, is one less than the permitted 8 residences. In order to develop this property in a manner that is most conducive to current needs of our citizens, creating smaller free standing condominiums is beneficial. The construction of one continuous unit would have eliminated the need for a variance for seven units, but would not have resulted in a project that meets the current needs of some members of the community. The minimum front and rear setback variances are necessary to maximize the available parking and the need for service vehicles to access the property. Due to the non-conformance of the current structure and some of the existing structures in the neighborhood, these variances will not have a substantial impact on the neighborhood and therefore mitigates the substantial nature of the variances.

4. The Applicant has demonstrated that the variance will not have a significant adverse physical or environmental effect on the neighborhood. The Applicant has demonstrated, and several neighbors have testified in support, that this redevelopment will have a significant beneficial physical impact on the neighborhood. Not only will the current commercial use with resulting traffic and noise generated by such use no longer interfere with the quiet residential neighborhood, but the physical change to the property will be a significant improvement to the appearance of the neighborhood. Additionally, the proposed construction will improve the permeability of the lot to 35.1%, in excess of the required 25%.

5. The alleged difficulty may be considered self-created in that the Applicant desires to re-develop this property in a manner that will meet the needs of residents of Saratoga Springs who are looking to down size and still create a development that conforms to the neighborhood as a residential development in an economic

manner, however, this is not necessarily fatal to the application.

Notifications/Approvals/Conditions of Approval:
Prior variances are discontinued.
Saratoga Springs City Planning Board site plan review is required – the Planning Board will address local concerns as identified by the Saratoga County Planning Board.
Saratoga County Planning Board issued a finding of no significant county side or inter community impact.

Adopted by the following vote:

AYES: 6 (B. Moore, K. Kaplan, A. McNeill, G. Hasbrouck, S. Carlson, O. Ludd)

NAYES: 0

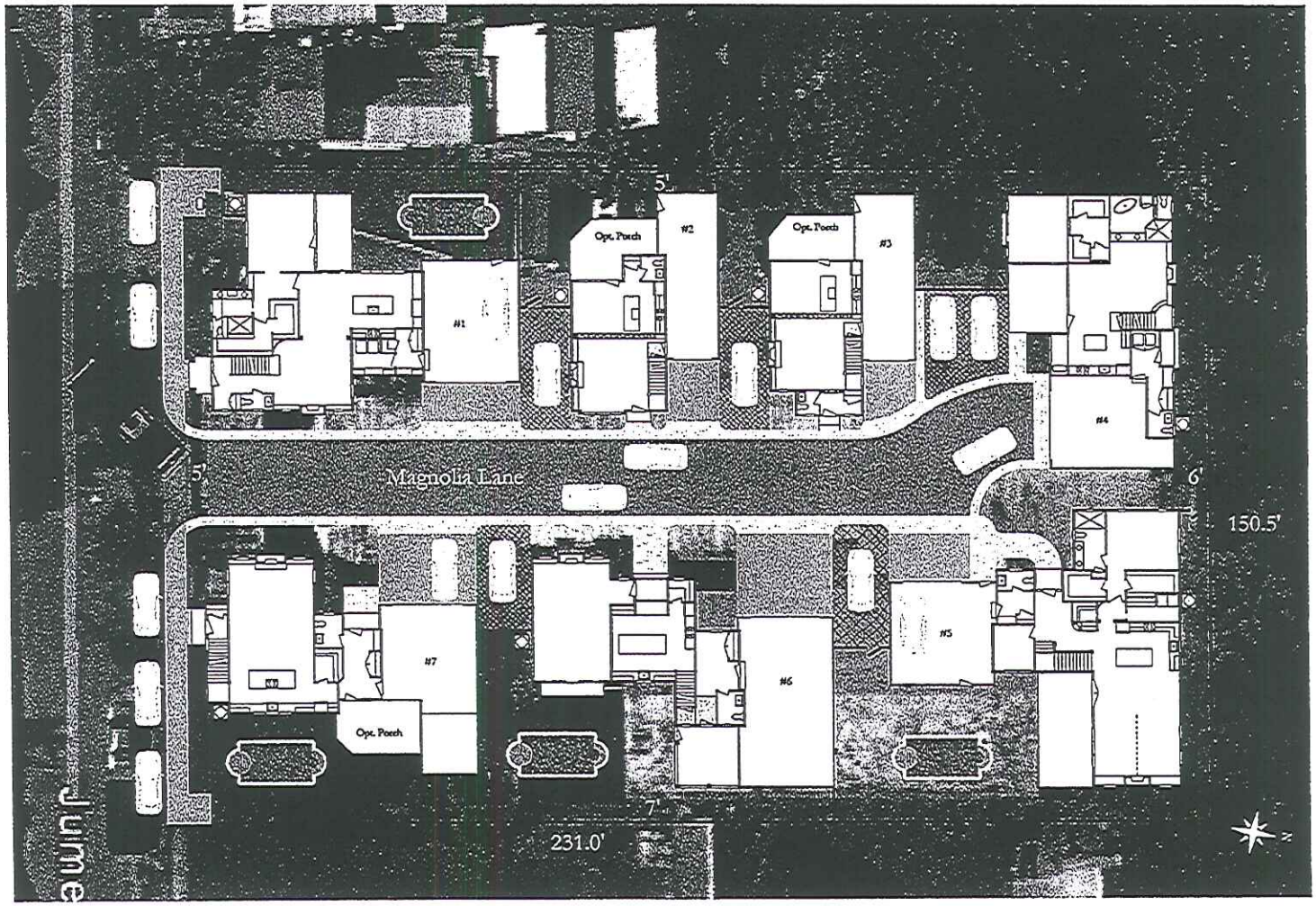
Dated: October 28, 2013

This variance shall expire 18 months following the filing date of such decision unless the necessary building permit has been issued and actual construction begun as per 240-8.5.1.

10/30/13
Date

Chair

I hereby certify the above to be a full, true and correct copy of a resolution duly adopted by the Zoning Board of Appeals of the City of Saratoga Springs on the date above mentioned, six members of the Board being present.



MAP OF
the Neighborhood of
MAGNOLIA LANE
in SARATOGA SPRINGS
Witt Construction
2018

Lot Coverage			
Residence	Footprint	Roof OH	Coverage
#1	2,449	284	2,733
#2	1,337	179	1,516
#3	1,472	160	1,632
#4	2,079	153	2,243
#5	2,719	225	2,917
#6	2,343	223	2,543
#7	2,070	220	2,290
	14,526	1,445	13,958
			34,764
			48,051

Permeable/Non Statistics	
(A) Size of Development (Sq. Ft.)	34,764

(B) Non-Permeable Areas (Sq. Ft.)		
Road	3,306	
Driveways	3,538	
Patios	1,740	
Living	5,865	
Porches	1,656	
Garages	4,175	
Total Non-Permeable	21305	61.3%

(C) Permeable Areas (Sq. Ft.)		
Turf Paved	1,588	
Landscaped	11,870	
Total Permeable	13459	38.7%

Scale of Feet

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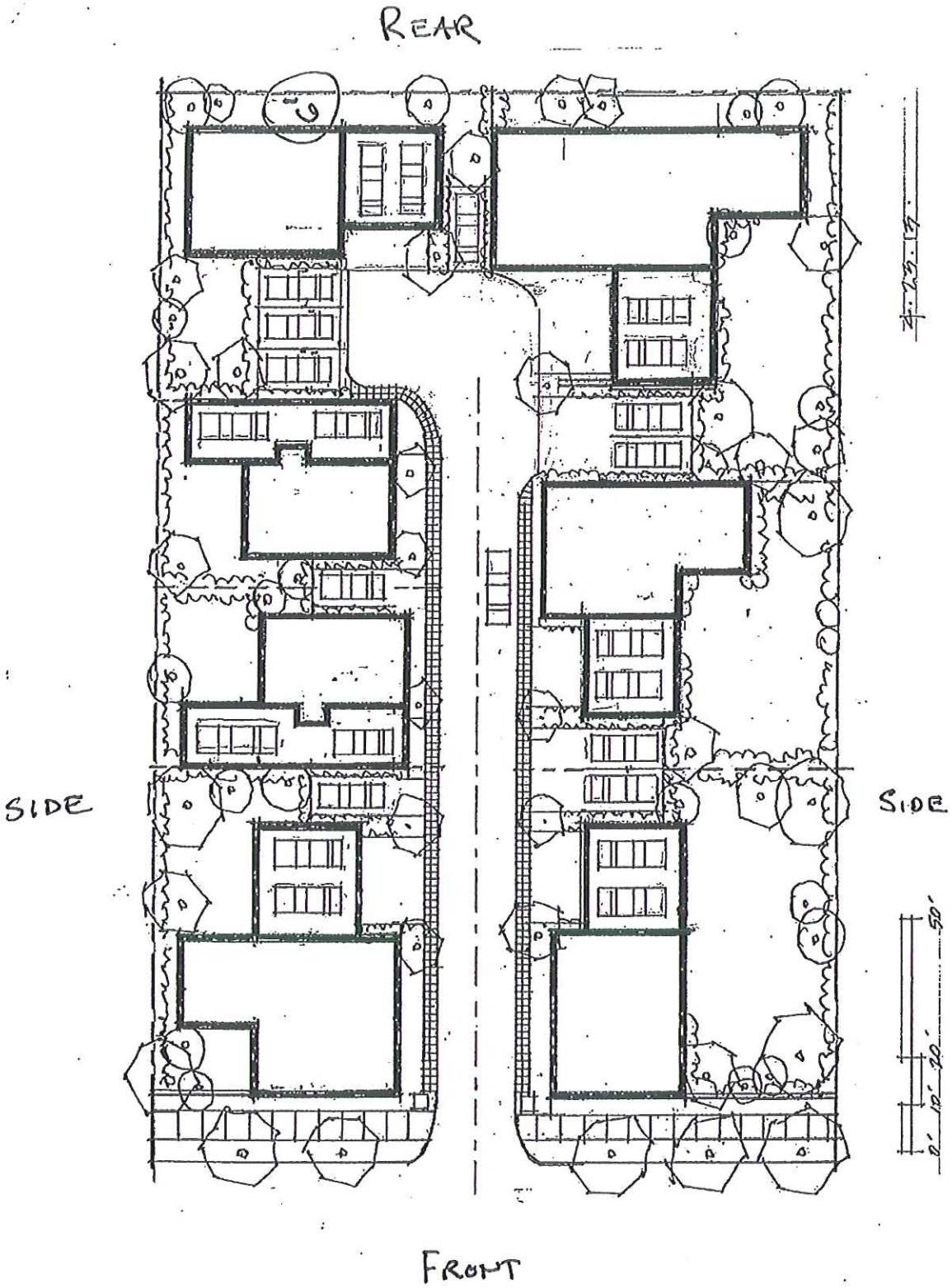
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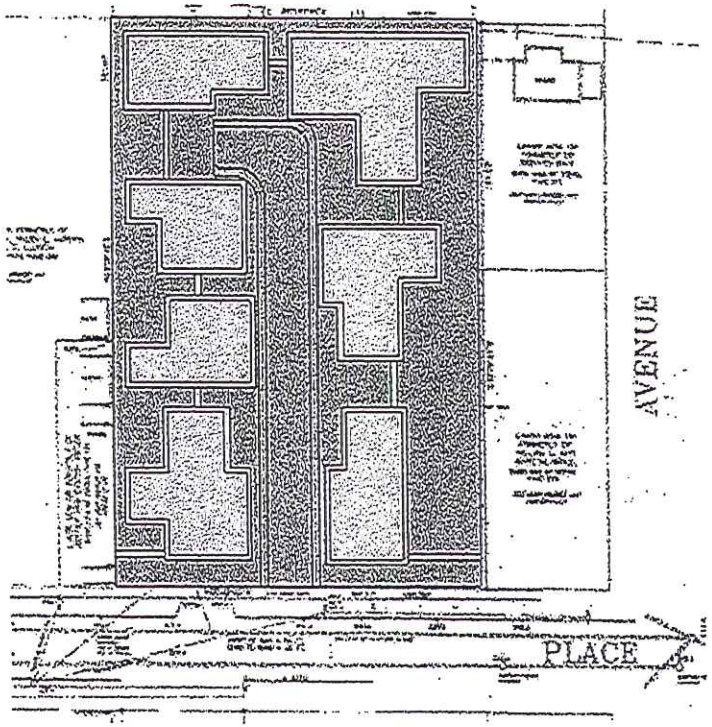

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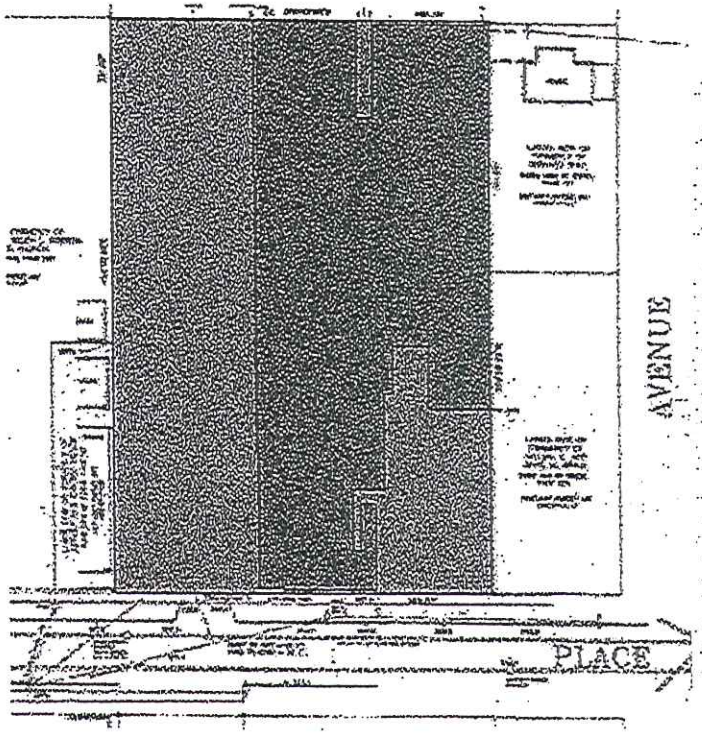


Site Plan with Existing Building

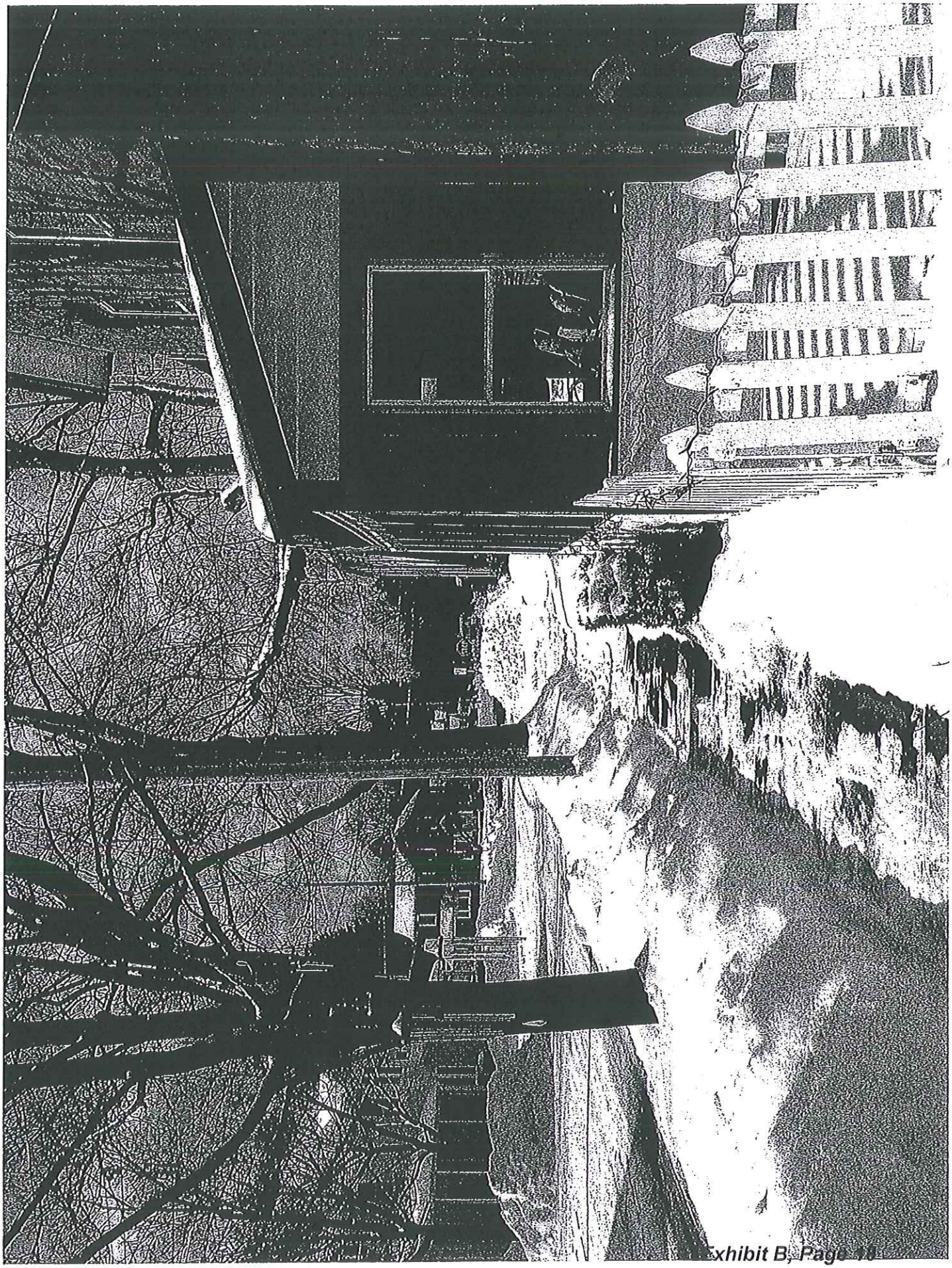
27 Jumel Place
Saratoga Springs NY

Witt Construction
3/10/2014

	Depth	Width	Area (sq. ft.)
Lot Size	231	150.5	34,765.50

Area	Existing	% of Lot	As Drawn	% of Lot
Principle Building and Overhang	17,161	49.4%	15,589	46.00%
Accessory Building	160	0.5%		
Total				46.00%
Driveways/Road	6,357	18.3%	7,157	20.60%
Permeable Areas	11,088	31.9%	12,191	35.10%

Setbacks	To the overhangs
Front	1
Rear	6
Right Side	7
Left Side	5



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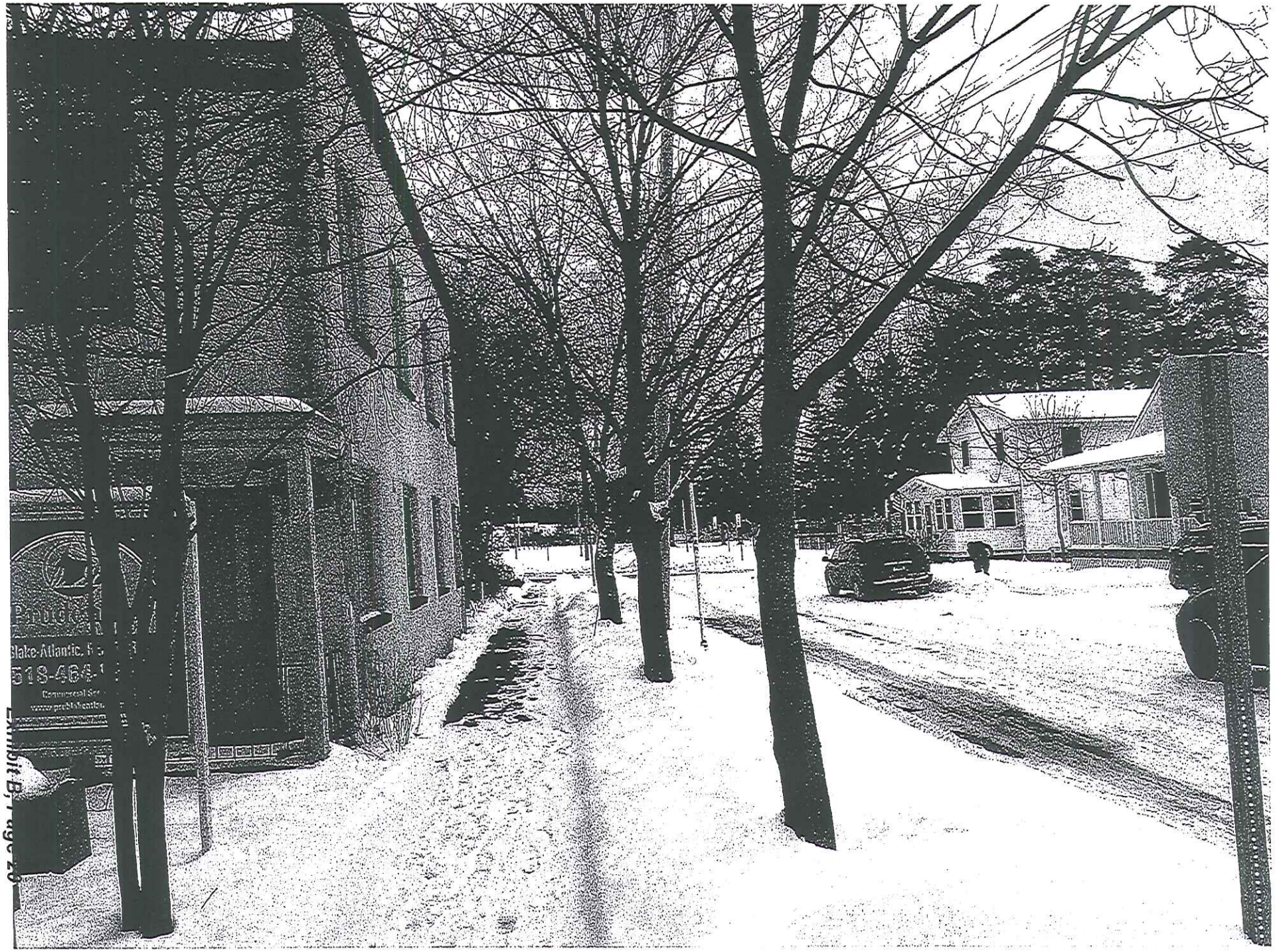

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563 N Broadway Saratoga Springs, NY 12866

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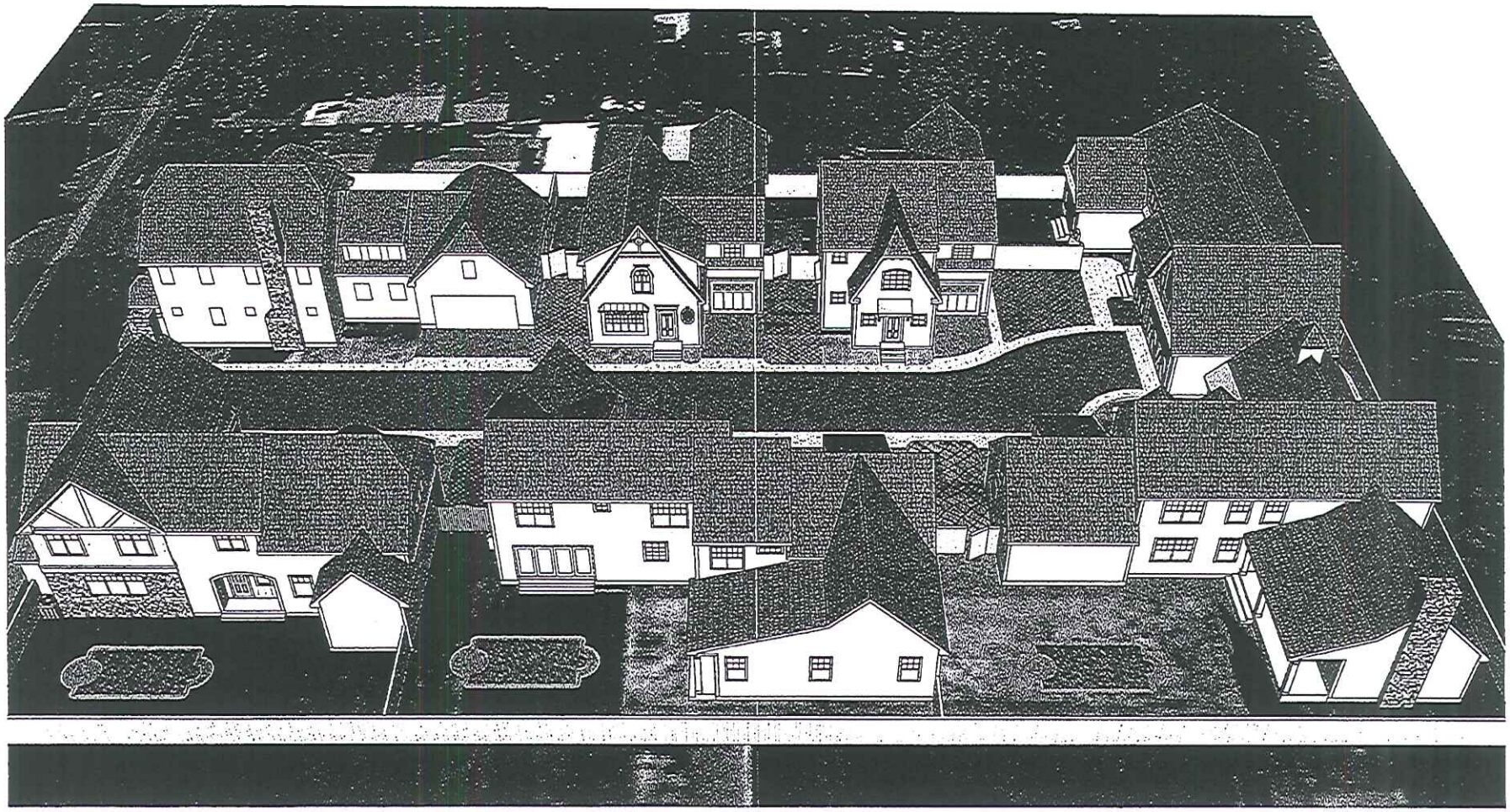
Magnolia Lane

Street Views



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Short Environmental Assessment Form
Part 1 - Project Information

Instructions for Completing

Part 1 - Project Information. The applicant or project sponsor is responsible for the completion of Part 1. Responses become part of the application for approval or funding, are subject to public review, and may be subject to further verification. Complete Part 1 based on information currently available. If additional research or investigation would be needed to fully respond to any item, please answer as thoroughly as possible based on current information.

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

Part 1 - Project and Sponsor Information

Jumel/Downton Walk - Witt Construction, Inc.

Name of Action or Project: Downton Walk	
Project Location (describe, and attach a location map): 27 Jumel Place	
Brief Description of Proposed Action: 7 Individual Family Condominiums	
Name of Applicant or Sponsor: John Witt	Telephone: 518-587-4113 E-Mail: [redacted]
Address: 563 N. Broadway	
City/PO: Saratoga Springs	State: NY Zip Code: 12866

	NO	YES
1. Does the proposed action only involve the legislative adoption of a plan, local law, ordinance, administrative rule, or regulation? If Yes, attach a narrative description of the intent of the proposed action and the environmental resources that may be affected in the municipality and proceed to Part 2. If no, continue to question 2.	☑	☐
2. Does the proposed action require a permit, approval or funding from any other governmental Agency? If Yes, list agency(s) name and permit or approval: Building Department	☐	☑

3.a. Total acreage of the site of the proposed action? .791 acres
b. Total acreage to be physically disturbed? .791 acres
c. Total acreage (project site and any contiguous properties) owned or controlled by the applicant or project sponsor? .791 acres

4. Check all land uses that occur on, adjoining and near the proposed action.

☐ Urban ☐ Rural (non-agriculture) ☐ Industrial ☐ Commercial ☑ Residential (suburban)
☐ Forest ☐ Agriculture ☐ Aquatic ☐ Other (specify): _____
☐ Parkland

	NO	YES	N/A
5. Is the proposed action,			
a. A permitted use under the zoning regulations?	☐	☑	☐
b. Consistent with the adopted comprehensive plan?	☐	☑	☐

	NO	YES
6. Is the proposed action consistent with the predominant character of the existing built or natural landscape?	☐	☑
7. Is the site of the proposed action located in, or does it adjoin, a state listed Critical Environmental Area? If Yes, identify: _____	☑	☐
8. a. Will the proposed action result in a substantial increase in traffic above present levels?	☑	☐
b. Are public transportation service(s) available at or near the site of the proposed action?	☐	☑
c. Are any pedestrian accommodations or bicycle routes available on or near site of the proposed action?	☐	☑
9. Does the proposed action meet or exceed the state energy code requirements? If the proposed action will exceed requirements, describe design features and technologies: _____	☑	☐
10. Will the proposed action connect to an existing public/private water supply? If No, describe method for providing potable water: _____ Per site plan approval we need to add a new water-main that runs from Jumel up the private drive.	☐	☑
11. Will the proposed action connect to existing wastewater utilities? If No, describe method for providing wastewater treatment: _____	☐	☑
12. a. Does the site contain a structure that is listed on either the State or National Register of Historic Places?	☑	☐
b. Is the proposed action located in an archeological sensitive area?	☑	☐
13. a. Does any portion of the site of the proposed action, or lands adjoining the proposed action, contain wetlands or other waterbodies regulated by a federal, state or local agency?	☑	☐
b. Would the proposed action physically alter, or encroach into, any existing wetland or waterbody? If Yes, identify the wetland or waterbody and extent of alterations in square feet or acres: _____	☑	☐
14. Identify the typical habitat types that occur on, or are likely to be found on the project site. Check all that apply: ☐ Shoreline ☐ Forest ☐ Agricultural/grasslands ☐ Early mid-successional ☐ Wetland ☐ Urban ☑ Suburban		
15. Does the site of the proposed action contain any species of animal, or associated habitats, listed by the State or Federal government as threatened or endangered?	☑	☐
16. Is the project site located in the 100 year flood plain?	☑	☐
17. Will the proposed action create storm water discharge, either from point or non-point sources? If Yes, a. Will storm water discharges flow to adjacent properties? ☐ NO ☐ YES	☑	☐
b. Will storm water discharges be directed to established conveyance systems (runoff and storm drains)? If Yes, briefly describe: ☐ NO ☐ YES		

	NO	YES
18. Does the proposed action include construction or other activities that result in the impoundment of water or other liquids (e.g. retention pond, waste lagoon, dam)? If Yes, explain purpose and size:	✓	
19. Has the site of the proposed action or an adjoining property been the location of an active or closed solid waste management facility? If Yes, describe:	✓	
20. Has the site of the proposed action or an adjoining property been the subject of remediation (ongoing or completed) for hazardous waste? If Yes, describe: There as been asbestos found on location. We have an asbestos report and working with Cristo Demolition who is licensed and experienced in moving this hazardous waste properly.		✓

I AFFIRM THAT THE INFORMATION PROVIDED ABOVE IS TRUE AND ACCURATE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE

Applicant/sponsor name: _____ Date: _____

Signature: _____

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The Applicant has applied for modification to Appeal # 2714, a variance granted October 23, 2013, seeking modification of the relief from the maximum principal building coverage and the minimum front yard setback requirements for the two units fronting on Jumel Place, and for additional relief from maximum height of a residential fence, all as provided in the current City Zoning Ordinance applicable to the Urban Residential - 3 zoning district, and public notice having been duly given of a hearing on said application on April 21, 2014 and April 28, 2014.

In consideration of the balance between the benefit to the Applicant with the detriment to the health, safety and welfare of the community, the Board makes the following resolution that the requested area variance for the following relief or such lesser amount, as described in the submitted application, BE APPROVED:

Type of Requirement	Required/ Permitted	Previously Approved	Proposed	Total Relief Requested
Maximum Building Coverage	30%	43.5%	46%	16% (53%)
Minimum Front Yard Setback for the 2 units fronting on Jumel Place	10 feet	5 foot	1 feet	9 feet (90%)
Maximum Height residential fence	6 feet	N/A	8 feet	2 feet (33%)

1. The Applicant has demonstrated that this benefit cannot be achieved by other means feasible. This Board has previously determined in Appeal #2714 that the Applicant has demonstrated that redeveloping this property from an unsightly cement structure used for commercial purposes into a seven unit residential condominium development is the best economically feasible use as shown on the proposed site plan for this property. The modifications to the maximum principal building coverage and the minimum front yard setback requested by Applicant, subject to the conditions provided below, do not change the Board's prior determinations. The request to increase the maximum height of the residential fence is requested to ensure added privacy for the units and for adjacent neighbors. Providing this privacy cannot be achieved by other means due to the limited size of the property.

2. The Applicant has demonstrated that granting the modification to these variances will not create an undesirable change in neighborhood character or a detriment to nearby properties. In granting variance #2714, the Board concluded the granting the variances will improve the appearance of the property and will not create an undesirable change in

neighborhood character or impact on nearby properties, but rather a desirable and valuable change. The modifications do not change this conclusion. Additionally, granting the variance for an increased height in the fence will enhance the character of the neighborhood.

3. The modifications to the relief requested may be considered substantial. However, due to the proximity of the proposed developed structures to the neighbors and to one another, the Board finds the benefit of privacy fencing to offset the adverse impact.

4. The Applicant has demonstrated that the modification of the variances will not have a significant adverse physical or environmental effect on the neighborhood. In the prior Appeal, the Applicant demonstrated and several neighbors testified in support, that this redevelopment will have a significant beneficial physical impact on the neighborhood. The modifications requested in this application do not alter the conclusions reached by this Board in Appeal #2714. Additionally, the request for an increase in the height of the fence does not have an adverse physical or environmental effect on the neighborhood.

5. The alleged difficulty may be considered self-created, however, this is not necessarily fatal to the application.

Notifications/Approvals/Conditions of Approval:
The minimum front yard setback of 5 feet previously approved in Appeal #2714 is modified only to permit front stoops or stairways within the 5 foot setback to the 1 foot setback.

No eight (8) foot fence shall be permitted to be constructed along Jumel Place or extending beyond the front foundation line along Jumel Place.

County Planning Board issued a decision of "No Significant County Impact" on April 17, 2014.

Adopted by the following vote:

AYES: 7 (B. Moore, K. Kaplan, A. McNeill, G. Hasbrouck, S. Carlson O. Ludd and J. Helicke)

NAYES: 0

Dated: April 28, 2014

This variance shall expire 18 months following the filing date of such decision unless the necessary building permit has been issued and actual construction begun as per 240-8.5.1.

5-1-14
Date

Chair

I hereby certify the above to be a full, true and correct copy of a resolution duly adopted by the Zoning Board of Appeals of the City of Saratoga Springs on the date above mentioned, seven members of the Board being present.

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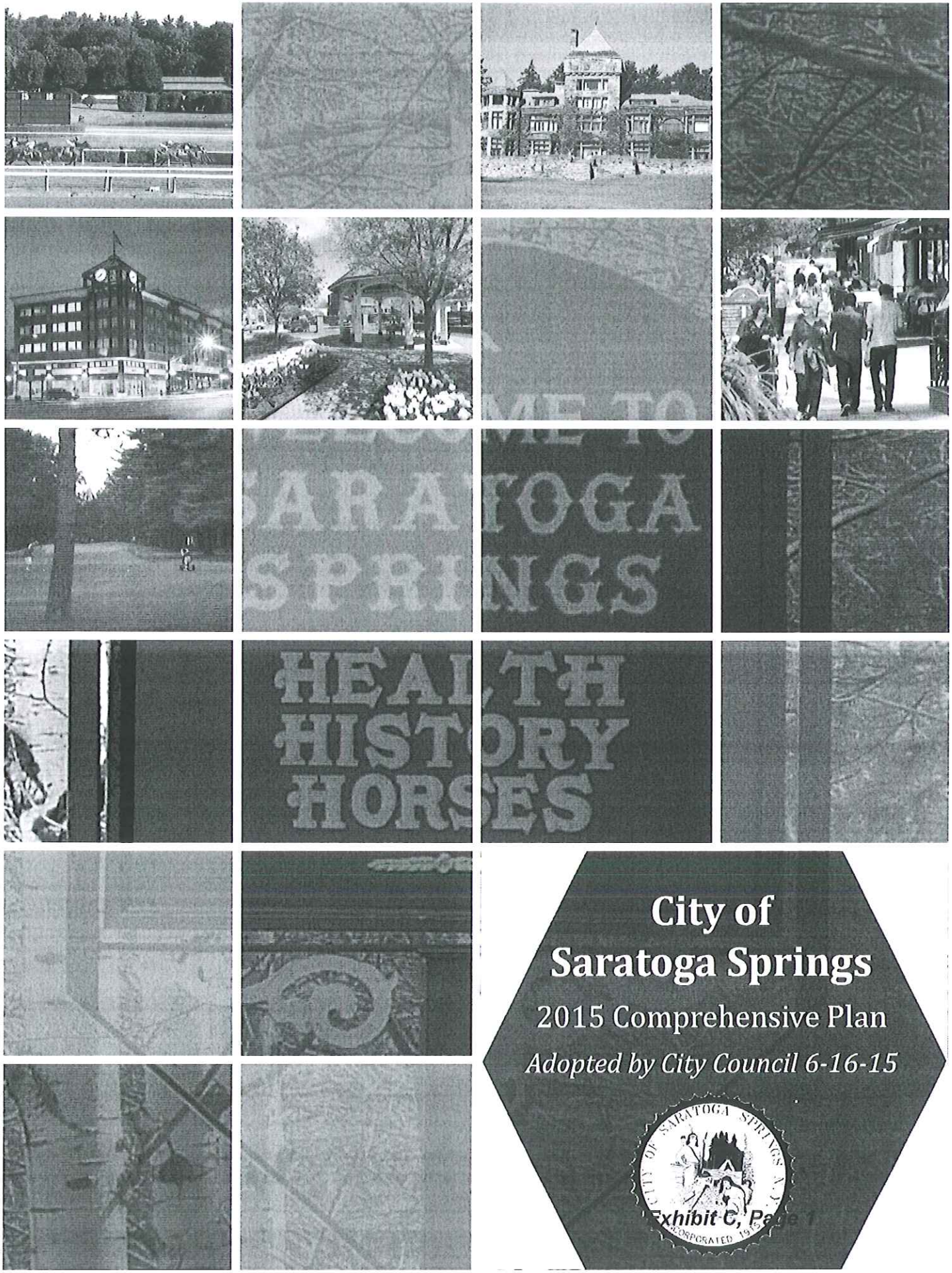

City of Saratoga Springs

2015 Comprehensive Plan

Adopted by City Council 6-16-15

In May 2013, the City Council initiated an update to the City's Comprehensive Plan and associated maps.

On December 18, 2014, following 19 months of much dialogue and discussion including 19 public meetings, four public workshops, a 2-day open house and numerous focus groups, the Saratoga Springs Comprehensive Plan Committee voted to send to the City Council its "final work product" consisting of the November 2014 version of the Draft Comprehensive Plan and a list of 53 possible amendments to this draft.

The City Council discussed this work product and the list of possible amendments over the course of four City Council workshops, occurring on February 24, March 24, March 31, and April 14, 2015. At its last workshop, the City Council confirmed consensus on the desired language to be included in this Plan.

On June 16, 2015, following a SEQRA Negative Declaration of Environmental Significance, the City Council voted 5-0 to adopt this 2015 Comprehensive Plan update.

Acknowledgements

Saratoga Springs City Council
(Finalized and approved 2015 Comprehensive Plan Update)

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- Anthony "Skip" Scirocco, Commissioner of Public Works

- Former Mayor Scott Johnson

Comprehensive Plan Committee
(Produced committee "Final Work Product" and provided to City Council.)

- Geoff Bornemann, Chair (1/14-12/14)
- Clifford Van Wagner, Chair (5/13-1/14)
- Jamin Totino, Vice Chair
- Sonny Bonacio
- Theresa Capozzola
- Devin Dalpos
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- Oksana Ludd (Zoning Board of Appeals)
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FUTURE LAND USE 4.0

If the City is to be successful in preparing for the future, it must have increased flexibility to accommodate the rapidly changing needs of business, commerce, and our residents. In addition, the City must have increased accountability to ensure and enhance the physical, cultural, and social amenities that make Saratoga Springs an attractive and vibrant locale.

Fortunately, Saratoga Springs is currently in a good position to capitalize on its collective strengths and enthusiasm at a time when many other communities cannot. To maintain and improve upon the City's current position, a close look was given to the City's future land uses and the Comprehensive Plan Future Land Use Map (Map). The Map sets the direction for future land uses within the City. It illustrates the City's vision by identifying broad categories of land use. The Map is not a zoning map. However, the zoning map must follow the direction set forth in the Comprehensive Plan in accordance with General City Law §28-a. The zoning ordinance is typically the regulatory document that addresses densities, area, bulk, and specific permitted uses.

A key factor in revising the Map for this update is to ensure it reflects the City's vision. The vision for the City remains relatively unchanged from the 2001 Comprehensive Plan and, therefore, the Map will appear very similar. That vision includes the most intense uses and greatest mix of uses at the City's Core (Broadway). The intensity of uses becomes less as one travels away from the Core. The concept of the greenbelt, which was represented by the Conservation Development District (CDD) in the 2001 Comprehensive Plan, is reinforced in this updated Map.

The various land use categories shown on the map represent the intended uses and densities desired or anticipated for the community in the future. There are a number of important points to note about these land use categories:

- The land use categories in the Map are not zoning districts. The land use categories are broader and more general than zoning districts.
- The boundaries for each of the land use categories are intentionally non-precise and are meant to be fluid. The boundaries of the zoning districts are far more specific and detailed.
- The land use categories are general guides to future zoning or other regulations. State law mandates that zoning must be in conformance with the policies of the Comprehensive Plan. This means that the

density within the zoning for a particular area must be equal or less than that what is described within this document. When areas are to be rezoned, the uses and densities permitted within the zoning district must be compatible with the ranges presented in the land use category.

- The land use categories reflect a vision for the City in the future. It may take many years for the proposed changes to occur. The vision is something to aim for and work towards. Since zoning is the primary tool to implement this plan, the zoning for an area may be changed or upgraded several times in an effort to reflect community input.

The following descriptions are offered for the proposed land use category designations. The descriptions are intended to include the purpose or intent of the category, an overview of general uses and a description of the character for each land use category.

Downtown Core (DC)

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The Downtown Core designation represents the heart of the City of Saratoga Springs. It includes areas of the highest density commercial, office, civic, and residential uses that support a highly compact and walkable core, as well as multi-modal transportation options. While the Downtown Core serves local uses, it also attracts people regionally and globally as a vibrant commercial center, employment center, entertainment center, and historic and cultural center.

The Downtown Core is characterized by mixed use buildings with architecturally-interesting facades, streetscape design with ample room for street trees, sidewalks, benches, and other amenities that make the streets pedestrian-friendly. The designation also provides for mid to high-rise residential projects and mixed use projects incorporating housing above non-residential uses.

Looking forward, the Downtown Core will continue to be highly urban in character, with a mix of commercial and residential uses, and a balance between dense infill through development and redevelopment and the creation of attractive public spaces such as plazas and pocket parks.

Complementary Core (CC)

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The Complementary Core designation consists of areas of commercial uses of moderate to high intensity interspersed with higher density residential uses. This area is intended to be pedestrian-oriented with multi-modal transportation options and is a complementary, yet slightly less dense, extension of the Downtown Core. These areas represent a mix of freestanding offices, commercial uses, or clusters of businesses meeting the day-to-day needs of residents. The character of the Complementary Core areas is reflective of an urban environment with buildings near the street, parking to the rear or side, and streetscape elements such as sidewalks, and ample room for street trees.

The Complementary Core designation offers opportunities for infill and new development that continues to support the Downtown Core. Freestanding commercial structures as well as mixed-use, multi-story buildings with residential uses above the commercial uses would both be appropriate in this designation.

Community Mixed Use (CMU)

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The Community Mixed Use designation includes areas of moderate density residential and community-supported commercial uses. These areas are characterized by mixed use neighborhoods that are walkable and connected to adjacent residential neighborhoods. Each area includes a variety of neighborhood-scale businesses and services that meets the needs of the surrounding community.

While the character of each Community Mixed Use areas may vary, all areas are intended to be pedestrian-oriented with an attractive streetscape, along with amenities such as small parks and plazas. In some areas, identity is already well established through architecture and streetscape while in others, identity will be shaped by future planning decisions.

Core Residential Neighborhood-1 (CRN-1), Core Residential Neighborhood-2 (CRN-2), and Core Residential Neighborhood-3 (CRN-3)

Core Residential Neighborhood-1 (CRN-1)

Core Residential Neighborhood-2 (CRN-2)

Core Residential Neighborhood-3 (CRN-3)

The Core Residential Neighborhood-1, -2, and -3 designations provide a transition from the Downtown Core and Complementary Core to the predominantly residential neighborhood areas and represent the historic residential village. These areas are primarily residential in use, with single and two-family homes allowed in all three CRN designations, while multi-family uses are allowed only in the CRN-2 and CRN-3 areas. The Core neighborhoods reflect Saratoga's quintessential residential character and charm through unique architecture, historic elements, front porches, sidewalks, and tree-lined streets.

This area is highly walkable, and should be accessible by transit and a range of multi-modal options.

Although the Core Neighborhood is primarily residential in character, existing neighborhood-scale commercial uses may currently exist to complement residential uses.

CRN-1 Note: The maximum density is 10.0 Units/Acre.

CRN-2 Note: The maximum density is 15.0 Units/Acre.

CRN-3 Note: The maximum density is 30.0 Units/Acre.

Residential Neighborhood -1 (RN-1)

Residential Neighborhood- 2 (RN-2)

Residential Neighborhood -1 (RN-1) and Residential Neighborhood- 2 (RN-2)

The Residential Neighborhood-1 and Residential Neighborhood-2 designations are characterized by single family residential uses with moderate density two-family. While a mix of housing types is present, these areas retain the basic character of single-family neighborhoods, such as front and rear yards, driveways, and garages. Small, neighborhood-scale commercial uses may currently exist to complement the residential uses.

RN-1 Note: The maximum density is 3.5 Units/Acre.

RN-2 Note: The maximum density is 7 Units/Acre.

Conservation Development District (CDD)

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The Conservation Development District designation reflects the "Country" of the City in the Country. This designation allows for low density residential, outdoor recreation, agricultural, and other rural uses utilizing land conservation methods such as clustering. Areas typically include single-family lots and subdivisions, existing planned developments, farms, estates, and natural areas. Commercial activities should be limited to those that support rural and recreational uses and which protect valuable open space, protect natural resources and maintain natural systems. This designation reflects a rural or agrarian character that works to preserve contiguous open spaces, protect natural resources and restore and maintain natural systems, which will all become increasingly important and valuable community resources.

Development in this area shall require a "conservation analysis" and utilize land conservation methods to protect environmentally sensitive areas and features, minimize the development's edge effects and conserve significant open space.

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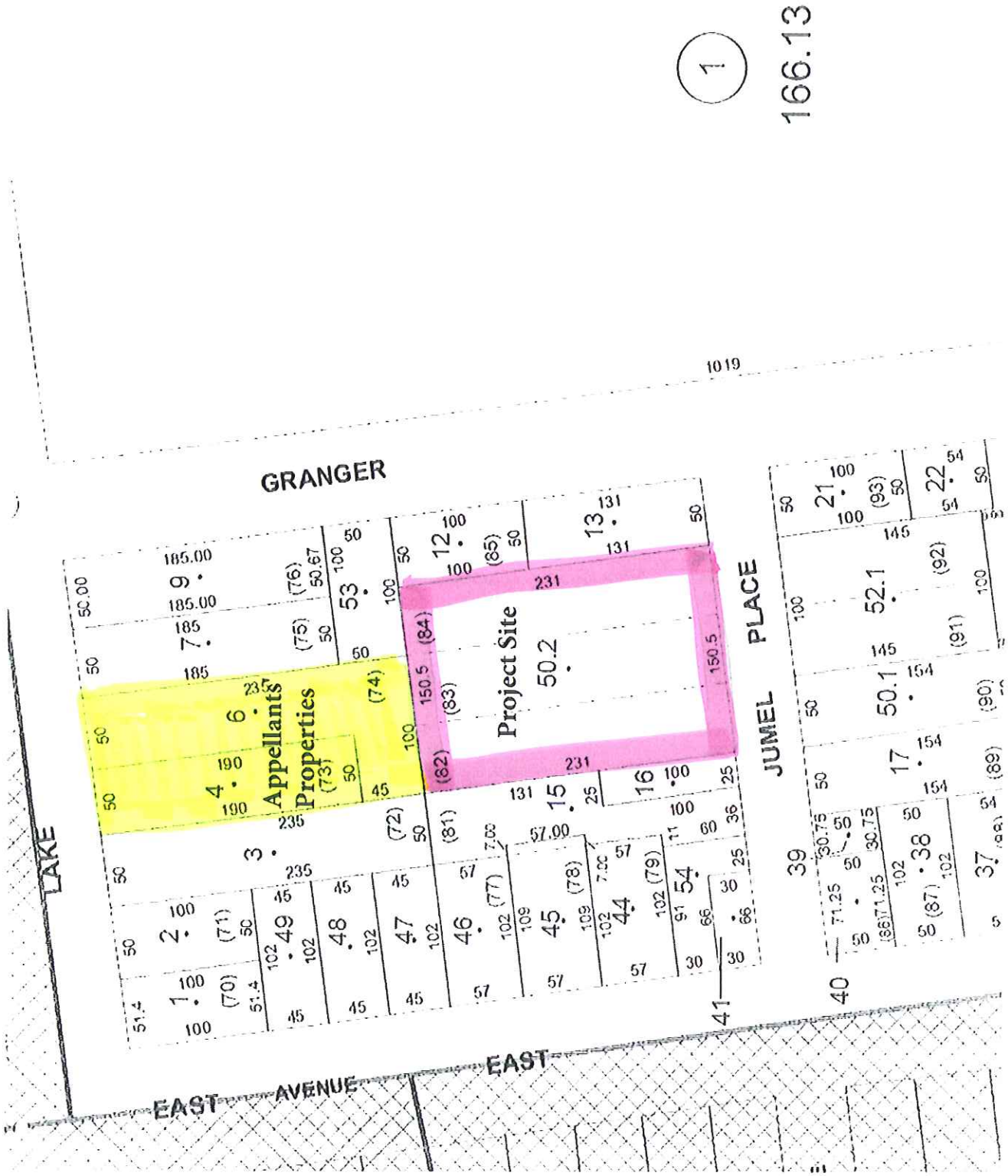
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