

### City of New Buffalo Planning Commission Special Meeting January 7, 2020

### Agenda

- 1. Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance & Roll Call
- 2. Approval of Agenda
- 3. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes
- 4. Public Comment
- 5. Public Hearing
  - a. Site Plan Review/Special Land Use Application, 1112 E. Clay
    - 11-62-8200-0203-04-4
    - 11-62-8200-0206-02-7
    - 11-62-8200-0207-04-0
    - 11-62-8200-0207-02-3
  - b. Site Plan Review/Special Use Permit, 19 N. Whittaker
    - 11-62-0340-0237-00-5
- 6. Old Business
- 7. New Business
  - a. Site Plan Review/Special Land Use Application, 1112 E. Clay
    - 11-62-8200-0203-04-4
    - 11-62-8200-0206-02-7
    - 11-62-8200-0207-04-0
    - 11-62-8200-0207-02-3
  - b. Site Plan Review/Special Use Permit, 19 N. Whittaker
    - 11-62-0340-0237-00-5
  - c. Site Plan Review, 825 S. Whittaker
    - 11-62-8200-0307-02-8
- 8. Commissioner Comments
- 9. Adjournment

The Special Meeting for December 3, 2019 for the Planning Commission was called to order by Chair Paul Billingslea at 7:06 pm in the City Council Chambers at New Buffalo City Hall, 224 W. Buffalo Street, New Buffalo, MI 49117.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Planning Commission.

### **Roll Call**

Members Present: Chair Paul Billingslea, Roxanne Lauer, Bill McCollum, Mark Joseph

Members Absent: Don Stoneburner

Staff present: City Manager Richards, City Clerk Amy Fidler

Approval of Agenda

Motion by Chair Billingslea, seconded by Commissioner McCollum to approve the agenda.

Motion Carried. 4-0

### **Public Comment**

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### **Public Hearing**

a. Special Use Approval for 704 W. Merchant Street to use existing building for state-licensed family day-care center.

A staff member from the YMCA was in attendance to answer all questions from the Planning Commission in regards to the building and daycare center. He reassured the board that the building and daycare is within the City's code.

Motion by Commissioner Joseph to approve the YMCA daycare center special use permit, seconded by Commissioner Lauer.

Motion Carried 4-0

### b. Marihuana Regulations

Commission Billingslea discussed that when the State of Michigan approved recreational marihuana, the Planning Commission choose to "opt out" until it was clear how the state was going to regulate the law. Commissioner Billingslea thinks that the state is not there yet. Commissioner Joseph added that the wording is pretty vague. Commissioner Billingslea advised that the board make no change to "opting out." Commissioner Lauer made a motion to make no change to "opting out," seconded by Commissioner Joseph.

Motion Carried 4-0

### **Old Business**

### Barbour's Barbeque

The owner of Barbour's Barbeque was asking for an extension to complete the project.

Motion by Commissioner McCollum to give a one- year extension to Barbour's Barbeque, seconded by Commissioner Joseph.

Motion Carried. 4-0

### **New Buffalo Bills Site Plan Amendment**

Motion by Commissioner McCollum to recuse himself from the Planning Commission for this item, seconded by Commissioner Lauer.

Motion Carried. 4-0

There was extensive discussion in regards to the lightening in the parking lot of Buffalo Bill's. Jim Votova, who is a neighbor discussed how the lights shine directly into his home. Bill McCollum proposed to put a shadow box on the light poles to keep the light from shining into the neighbor's home.

Motion made by Commissioner Billingslea to modify the site plan to Buffalo Bills to change the lightening specific to the zoning ordinance, amended the motion to replace the lightening within (60) sixty days, seconded by Commissioner Lauer.

Motion Carried 4-0

**Commissioner Comments** 

None

### **Adjournment**

Motion by Commissioner Billingslea to adjourn the meeting at 7:40 p.m., seconded by Commissioner Joseph.

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### STAFF REPORT

### **NB Schools STEAM Building**

Meeting Date: January 7, 2020

Project Number: 11.13.19

Project Name: NB Schools STEAM Building Site Plan Review/Special Use Permit.

Applicant: Evan LeDuc, Abonmarche Consultants, 95 W, Main Street, Benton Harbor, MI 49022.

Owner: NB Area Schools, Dr. Jeff Leslie, 1112 East Clay Street, PO Box 280, New Buffalo, MI 49117.

Property Location: Across from 1112 E. Clay Street, New Buffalo, MI 49117, #11-62-8200-0203-04-4;

11-62-8200-0206-02-7;11-628200-0207-04-0; 11-62-8200-0207-02-3.

Dimensions: Irregular lot - 744.45' to 1122.30' x 203.98' to 122.97' (121,718.38' and 69,007.33' SF).

**Proposed Use:** NB Schools is proposing to construct a Science, Technology, Engineering and Arts (STEAM) facility complete with an ancillary public recreational complex.

Zoning: The entire area is zoned R-1 Single Family Residential.

Action Requested: Site Plan Review and Special Use Permit.

### **OVERVIEW**

The purpose of this application is to consider a series of improvements to the area directly across the street from the middle/high school which is located at 1112 E. Clay Street. The eastern portion of the development will be home to a new Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Mathematics (STEAM) facility. The new building will include a robotics field, performing arts storage, work shop, metal shop and work shop areas and a garage to store equipment and the robotic trailer. The building will be supported by the construction of new sidewalks and the rehabilitation of the existing parking lot next to the proposed building. Improvements to the western parcel of the project area will focus on recreational activities. The plans call for an expansion of the existing uses on site including adding six (6) new pickle ball courts, improving the skate park and converting the existing pickle ball courts to a full basketball court. A new pavilion and restroom building are proposed near the west end of the

recreational parcel. Students are expected to park in the main school parking lot and walk to the site. Stormwater management will include a new retention area to the east. The project a series of improvements directly across the street from the middle/high school controlled by Article 6 R-1 Section 6-3 Single Family District- Uses permitted by special land use. Educational institutions, Section 14-1, Article 17- Special Land Uses Section 17-8 Item G Educational institutions of the City's Zoning Ordinance. Article 19, Section 19-2 of the City's Zoning Ordinance specify site plan review standards.

### Section 19-6, A, General Information

The application submitted is complete.

### Section 19-6, B, Site Analysis/Project Impact

The drawings as submitted satisfy the requirements of this section.

### Section 19-6, C, and 19-9, Site Plan Information and Approval Standards

The drawings as submitted satisfy the requirements of this section.

### **SECTION 17-2 STANDARDS FOR APPROVAL**

A. Basic Approval Standards. Prior to approving a special land use application, the following general standards, in addition to any specific standards required for an individual special use shall be satisfied.

The proposed use or activity shall:

- 1. Be compatible and in accordance with the City of New Buffalo Master Plan.
- 2. Be designed, constructed, operated, and maintained so as to be compatible with the existing or intended character of the general vicinity and so as not to change the essential character of the area in which it is proposed.
- 3. Be adequately served by public facilities and services such as streets, police, fire protection, drainage structures, water and sewage facilities recreation facilities, and primary and secondary schools.
- 4. Not involve uses, activities, processes, materials and equipment or conditions of operation that will be detrimental to the natural environment, public health, safety or welfare by reason of excessive production of traffic, noise, smoke, odors or other such nuisance.
- 5. Promote the public interest through provision of a service, facility, or use determined to be non-detrimental to the residents of the city.
- 6. Be in compliance with all city ordinances, and state and federal statutes, and licensing provisions as applicable.
- 7. Not create safety concerns for pedestrian or vehicular circulation.

### FINDINGS/RECOMMENDATION

After review of the application materials, confirmation of the facts reported, site inspections and evaluation of the site plan review criteria, it is recommended the Site Plan and Amended Special Use Permit application be approved for Project #11.1.3.19, referred to as NB Schools STEAM Building Site Plan Review/Special Use Permit.

Respectfully,

David Richards, City Manager





Project Name Project Number Review Fee Paid Escrow Fee Paid

### APPLICATION TO: | PLANNING COMMISSION | ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

224 W Buffalo St, New Buffalo, MI 49117

City Hall: 269-469-1500 Building Dept: 269-469-7144

Facsimile: 269-469-7917

Instructions: Fill-in all blanks and 'X' applicable boxes (1). Incomplete applications cannot be processed.

### I. Applicant and Owner Information

A) Applican	t(s) principal contact:	E	E) Property	owner(s) principal contact:
Name	Evan LeDuc, Abonmarche Consultants	١	Name	Dr. Jeff Leslie, Superintendent New Buffalo Area Schools
Address		A	∖ddress	
Telephone		7	Telephone	
B) Applican	t(s) secondary contact:	F	T) Architect	(if applicable):
Name	Seth Morrision, Abonmarche Consultants	٨	lame _	Seth Morrision, Abonmarche Consultants
Address		Δ	ddress	
Telephone		Т	elephone	
C) Agent or	Attorney (if applicable):	G	6) Engineer	(if applicable):
Name		N	ame _	Timothy Drews, Abonmarche Consultants
		Α	ddress	
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D) Is the pro	perty held in Trust*:	Н	) Applicant	is (check one):
Yes - Ans	wer below XI No - Skip below		Property of	owner
Name of Trus	st	0	Attorney	
Address		[]	Agent	
		D	Engineer	
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<sup>\*</sup> Trusts: Provide an attached statement from the trustee verifying the names of all the beneficial owners.

### II. Purpose of Application

A) This application is a request for	or the following action:
Rezoning of Property	Subdivision Approval     ★ Site Plan Approval
Rezoning Amendment	※ Variance(s) Approval  ※ Special Use Approval
□ Lot Split – Subdivision or Land	d Division   Other:
	It to make a series of improvements to the area directly across the street from the middle/high school
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	will include a robotics field, performing arts storage, work shop, metal shop and work shop areas and
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existing parking lot next to the proposed building.	These improvements will create full accessibility to the new building. Improvements to the western
parcel of the project area will focus on recreations	al activities. The proposed plans call for an expansion of the existing uses on site including adding
six (6) new pickelball courts, making improvement	s to the skate park and removing the existing pickelball courts and converting the half basketball
addresses the amendment, va Section 6-3 of Article 6 R-1 Single Family District	City Zoning Ordinance or City General Ordinances which briance, or other action which is being requested:  ct - Uses permitted by special land use - A. Educational institutions.  de Family Residential, Percentage of Coverage (35%)  G Educational institutions
Are the conditions which pro	only for applications which contain a request for a zoning variance: event the development of the property the result of action by an approperty interest in the subject property:  Yes  No
2. If the conditions were self-in	mposed (not hardship), explain why the variance should be granted:
	d we proposed to increase to 68%. The recreational nature of the existing parcel to the west
***************************************	ess in appearance. Pickelball has become so popular that it is desired to add the courts, additional
parking, restrooms and pavillon to accomodate the	e users. We would grade the site to drain into the retention area to the east so drainage should improve
	parcel although owned by the school will be for everyone's use.
The proposed combined percent of coverage for be	oth parcels = 51.54%

### III. Site and Surrounding Property Information

	across the s	street from New But		subject property  12 E. Clay Street New B	
				eet if necessary) on – Legal Descriptions	;
) Permar		al Estate Tax West 121,718.38	Identification East 69,007.33	Number: 1	1-62-8200-0203-04-4, 11-62-8200-0206-02-7, 1,62-8200-0207-04-0, 11-62-8200-0207-02-3
,		2.79427	1.58419	Acres	
		744.45'	1122.30'	Dimension of	lot frontage
		203.98' - 122.97'	122.97' - 0'	Dimension of	lot depth
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### IV. Description of the Proposed Development

with a retention area to the east						
The proposed use of the west pa	arcel is to add pic	kelball courts (6)	, additional pave	d parking, a pavilio	on with restrooms and	lighting and
accessible sidewalk						
3) What is the proposed	time frame	for the build	d-out of this	developme	nt: Completion in	n 2020
c) For each intended use total square footage o the number and size of	of the develo	pment, and	the require	ed number o		
Building Use	Number of Buildings	Building Area (sq ft)	Total Building (sq ft)	Required Parking Spaces	Water Connections and Sizes	Sewer Connections and Sizes
Single Family R-1	1	9,874 SFT 1,756,75 SFT	9,874 SFT 1,756,75 SFT	8 Per classroom 5 Per 1.000Sft	1- 2", 1 - 6" 1- 2"	1 - 6 inch 1 - 6 inch
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### V. Attachments

A)		Χ	Plat of Survey with legal description.
B)	_>	<u> </u>	Site plan of proposed use of project showing traffic patterns, parking locations and court, drainage patterns including detention areas, landscaping plans, exterior lighting locations and illumination pattern, building facade portrait and building size and location dimensions
C)	_>	<u></u>	Floodplain map (engineer's drawing or FEMA map showing location of subject property).
D)	_>	<	Application fee in the amount of \$ Fees Waived
E)			High Risk Dune Area Designation and/or Soil Conservation Analysis (if applicable).
F)			Application for permits (specify type): All required permits shall be
			igan DOT retained prior to construction.
	2)	Cour	nty Road Commission
	3)	Cour	nty Health Department
	4)	State	e Dept. of Public Health
	5)	Mich	igan DEQ
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G) _			Sand Dune Permit for Construction (if applicable).
			acilities have been requested by the general public and the recreational amenities will be for everyone's use.  y is needed for educational purposes to provide our area students with the same amenities that other area schools have.
Ro	botic	s progr	rams have become very popular and they require ample room and space for practice competition fields.

B) Declaratory Statement:

### VII. Signature and Declaratory Statement

A) Required attendance at public hearing(s) and/or meeting(s): The Planning Commission and Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA) have established a policy requiring the applicant or a designated representative of the applicant to be present at any meeting or public hearing at which their application is to be considered. Failure of the applicant or designee of the applicant to appear may postpone consideration of the application by the Planning Commission or ZBA.

I, \_\_\_\_\_\_, hereby certify that all information contained in this application and accompanying documentation is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and

further, I acknowledge the required attendance of the applicant as set forth in paragraph A above.

I furthermore grant permission for identified members of the City of New Buffalo's Planning Commission or Zoning Board of Appeals to visit the site(s) referenced in this application. C) Applicant Signature: 24/1/1/10 Date: 11/13/10 D) Notary Public Certification Statement: 1. CATHERINE A. WALL , Notary Public in and for the State of Michigan this day of November, 2019 the above captioned applicant appeared before me and under oath, stated that all matters contained in this application are true. My commission expires: 11-5-2025 CATHERINE A. WALL Notary Public, Berrien County, MI VIII. City Staff Review My Comm. Expires Nov. 5, 2025 A) Fire Department approval of Site and Building Plans, except for single family dwellings: This application and associated documentation must be reviewed by the Fire Chief or his designee, which can be arranged by calling the Fire Department: 269-469-4993. Review Date: Approval: Yes No Signature: Conditions: Attached Title: None B) Note to applicant: The original application must be filed in the Office of the Zoning Administrator, where the following signatures are required for verification that this is a complete and valid application to be considered by the Planning Commission or the Zoning Board of Appeals. Building Inspector: Date: Date: Zoning Administrator: Initial meeting date:

### STEAM Building & Recreation – Legal Descriptions New Buffalo Area Schools

### PARCEL A - RECREATION AREA PARCEL:

THAT PART OF BLOCKS 207 AND 208, VACATED FARMER STREET, VACATED FRANKLIN STREET, AND GRIFFITH STREET, VIRGINIA ADDITION TO THE CITY OF NEW BUFFALO, BERRIEN COUNTY, MICHIGAN, DESCRIBED AS BEGINNING AT A POINT ON THE SOUTHEAST LINE OF CLAY STREET THAT IS NORTH 61° 41' 03" EAST, 13.19 FEET FROM THE NORTHERLY MOST CORNER OF BLOCK 209, SAID VIRGINIA ADDITION; THENCE NORTH 61° 41' 03" EAST, ON THE SOUTHEAST LINE OF SAID CLAY STREET, 679.42 FEET; THENCE NORTH 61° 43' 55" EAST, ON SAID SOUTHEAST LINE, 65.03 FEET TO THE NORTHEAST LINE OF VACATED FARMER STREET; THENCE SOUTH 28° 08' 46" EAST, ON SAID NORTHEAST LINE, 122.97 FEET TO THE NORTHWEST LINE OF CSX RAILROAD; THENCE SOUTH 55° 28' 49" WEST, ON SAID NORTHWEST LINE, 749.08 FEET; THENCE NORTH 28° 08' 46" WEST, PARALLEL WITH THE SOUTHWEST LINE OF GRIFFITH STREET, 203.98 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

CONTAINING 2.79 ACRES (121,718 SQUARE FEET), MORE OR LESS.

PART OF TAX PARCELS 11-62-8200-0207-01-4 AND 11-62-8200-0207-02-3

SUBJECT TO ALL EASEMENTS AND RESTRICTIONS OF RECORD OR OTHERWISE, IF ANY EXIST. SUBJECT TO RIGHTS OF OTHERS OVER THAT PART LYING WITHIN VACATED FRANKLIN STREET AND VACATED FARMER STREET.

SUBJECT TO RIGHTS OF THE PUBLIC AND ANY GOVERNMENTAL UNIT OVER THAT PART LYING IN GRIFFITH STREET.

BEARINGS ARE RELATED TO THE MICHIGAN STATE PLANE COORDINATE SYSTEM, SOUTH ZONE, NORTH AMERICAN DATUM OF 1983.

### PARCEL B - STEAM BUILDING PARCEL

THAT PART OF BLOCKS 203, 204, 205, AND 206, VACATED VIRGINIA STREET, ONTARIO STREET, AND ROSE STREET, VIRGINIA ADDITION TO THE CITY OF NEW BUFFALO, BERRIEN COUNTY, MICHIGAN, DESCRIBED AS BEGINNING AT THE WESTERLY MOST CORNER OF SAID BLOCK 206; THENCE NORTH 61° 43′ 55″ EAST, ON THE SOUTHEAST LINE OF SAID CLAY STREET, 1122.30 FEET TO THE NORTHWEST LINE OF CSX RAILROAD; THENCE SOUTH 55° 28′ 49″ WEST, ON SAID NORTHWEST LINE, 1129.28 FEET TO THE NORTHEAST LINE OF VACATED FARMER STREET; THENCE NORTH 28° 08′ 46″ WEST, ON SAID NORTHEAST LINE, 122.97 TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

CONTAINING 1.58 ACRES (69,007 SQUARE FEET), MORE OR LESS.

PART OF TAX PARCELS 11-62-8200-0203-04-4 AND 11-62-8200-0206-02-7

SUBJECT TO ALL EASEMENTS AND RESTRICTIONS OF RECORD OR OTHERWISE, IF ANY EXIST. SUBJECT TO RIGHTS OF OTHERS OVER THAT PART LYING WITHIN VACATED VIRGINIA STREET. SUBJECT TO RIGHTS OF THE PUBLIC AND ANY GOVERNMENTAL UNIT OVER THAT PART LYING IN ROSE STREET AND ONTARIO STREET.

# National Flood Hazard Layer FIRMette



HAZARD AREAS OTHER AREAS OF FLOOD HAZARD OTHER AREAS GENERAL OTHER FEATURES MAP PANELS SPECIAL FLOOD AREA OF MINIMAL FLOOD OF NEW BUFF 500 250

## Legend

SEE FIS REPORT FOR DETAILED LEGEND AND INDEX MAP FOR FIRM PANEL LAYOUT



Regulatory Floodway

With BFE or Depth Zone AE, AO, AH, VE, AR

Without Base Flood Elevation (BFE) Zone A. V. A99



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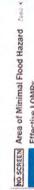
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Area with Reduced Flood Risk due to Levee, See Notes, Zage



Area with Flood Risk due to Levee Zone D



Area of Undetermined Flood Hazard Zaus Effective LOMRs

Channel, Culvert, or Storm Sewer

STRUCTURES [111111] Levee, Dike, or Floodwall

Cross Sections with 1% Annual Chance Water Surface Elevation 37.5

Base Flood Elevation Line (BFE) Coastal Transect

Limit of Study

Jurisdiction Boundary

Coastal Transect Baseline Hydrographic Feature Profile Baseline

Digital Data Available

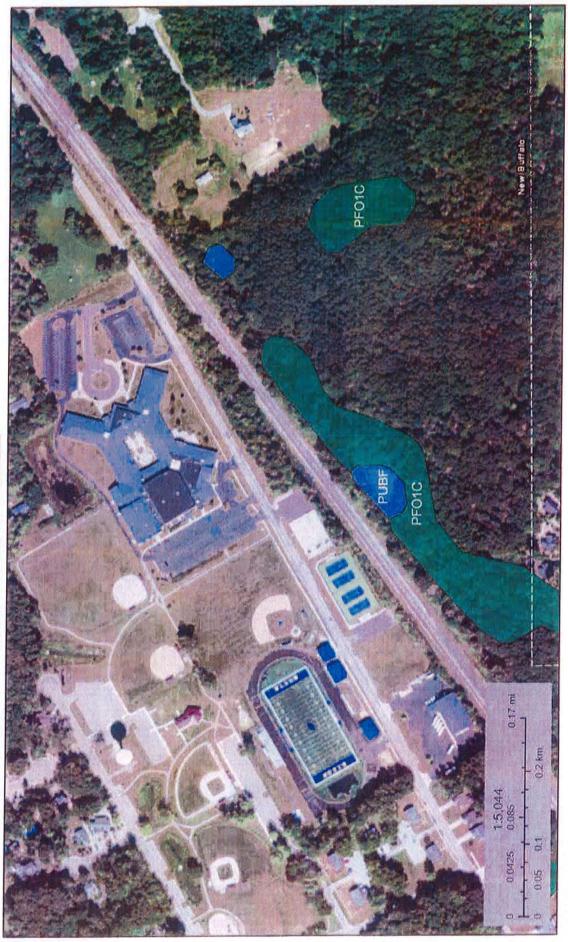
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# New Buffalo - East Clay Street



May 15, 2019

# Wetlands

Estuarine and Marine Deepwater

Estuarine and Marine Wetland

Freshwater Emergent Wetland

Freshwater Forested/Shrub Wetland

Freshwater Pond

Lake

Service is not responsible for the accuracy or currentness of the base data shown on this map. All wetlands related data should be used in accordance with the layer metadata found on the Wetlands Mapper web site.

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Other

Riverine



### STAFF REPORT

### Warner Vineyards

Meeting Date: January 7, 2020

Project Number: 7.11.19

Project Name: Warner Vineyards Outside Seating Site Plan Review/ Special Use Permit

Applicant: Warner Vineyards, 706 S. Kalamazoo Street, Paw Paw, MI 49079. 269-352-6237

Property Location: 19 N. Whittaker Street, New Buffalo, MI 49117, #11-62-03-40-0237-005

Owner: Deborah A. DeVos, 18773 Red Arrow Hwy, New Buffalo, MI 49117. 269-277-9795

Dimensions: 66'x132' (8,712 SF)

Proposed Use: 12'x20' outdoor seating in conjunction with wine tasting establishment

Zoning: 19 N. Whittaker Street – Central Business District (CBD)

Action Requested: Site Plan Review and Special Use Permit.

### **OVERVIEW**

The applicant requests approval of a Site Plan and a Special Use Permit to allow creation of a 12'x20' outside area for wine tasting located on the north side of the existing structure. No new structure is proposed and a detailed site plan has not been requested. However, if the Planning Commission so desires, Article 19, Section 19-2 of the City's Zoning Ordinance specifies site plan review standards. The Special Use Permit consideration is guided by Article 17, Section 17-2 and 3.

### Section 19-6, A, General Information

The application submitted is complete.

### Section 19-6, B, Site Analysis/Project Impact

The drawings as submitted satisfy the requirements of this section in every respect.

### Section 19-6, C, and 19-9, Site Plan Information and Approval Standards

The drawings as submitted satisfy the requirements of this section in every respect except an east elevation rendering of the proposed structure. No set back is required on any lot line because the project is located in the Central Business District.

### **SECTION 17-2 STANDARDS FOR APPROVAL**

A. Basic Approval Standards. Prior to approving a special land use application, the following general standards, in addition to any specific standards required for an individual special use shall be satisfied.

The proposed use or activity shall:

- 1. Be compatible and in accordance with the City of New Buffalo Master Plan.
- 2. Be designed, constructed, operated, and maintained so as to be compatible with the existing or intended character of the general vicinity and so as not to change the essential character of the area in which it is proposed.
- 3. Be adequately served by public facilities and services such as streets, police, fire protection, drainage structures, water and sewage facilities recreation facilities, and primary and secondary schools.
- 4. Not involve uses, activities, processes, materials and equipment or conditions of operation that will be detrimental to the natural environment, public health, safety or welfare by reason of excessive production of traffic, noise, smoke, odors or other such nuisance.
- 5. Promote the public interest through provision of a service, facility, or use determined to be non-detrimental to the residents of the city.
- 6. Be in compliance with all city ordinances, and state and federal statutes, and licensing provisions as applicable.
- 7. Not create safety concerns for pedestrian or vehicular circulation.

### FINDINGS/RECOMMENDATION

After review of the application materials, confirmation of the facts reported, site inspections and evaluation of the site plan review criteria, it is recommended the Site Plan and Special Use Permit application for Project #7.11.19, referred to as Warner Vineyards Outside Seating be approved as submitted.

Respectfully,

David Richards, City Manager

CITY OF NEW BUFFALO Date 07/11/2019 11:45:33 AM

Facsimile: 269-469-7917

CITY OF NEW BUFFALO

PLANNING COMMISSION/ ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS APPLICATION



Staff

224 W Buffalo St, New Buffalo, MI 49117

Project Name

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City of New Buffalo

### APPLICATION TO: PLANNING COMMISSION ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

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Telephone	Telephone
B) Applicant(s) secondary contact:  Name  Address	F) Architect (if applicable):  Name  Address
Telephone	Telephone
C) Agent or Attorney (if applicable):  Name  Address	G) Engineer (if applicable):  Name  Address
Telephone	Telephone
D) Is the property held in Trust*:  I Yes - Answer below No - Skip below Name of Trust Address	H) Applicant is (check one):  Property owner  Attorney  Agent  Engineer
Telephone	Other: Tenant

\* Trusts: Provide an attached statement from the trustee verifying the names of all the beneficial owners.

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	2. If the conditions were self-imposed (not hardship), explain why the variance should be granted

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D)	X	Application fee in the amount of \$ 500. —
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	3) Cou	nty Health Department
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### VII. Signature and Declaratory Statement

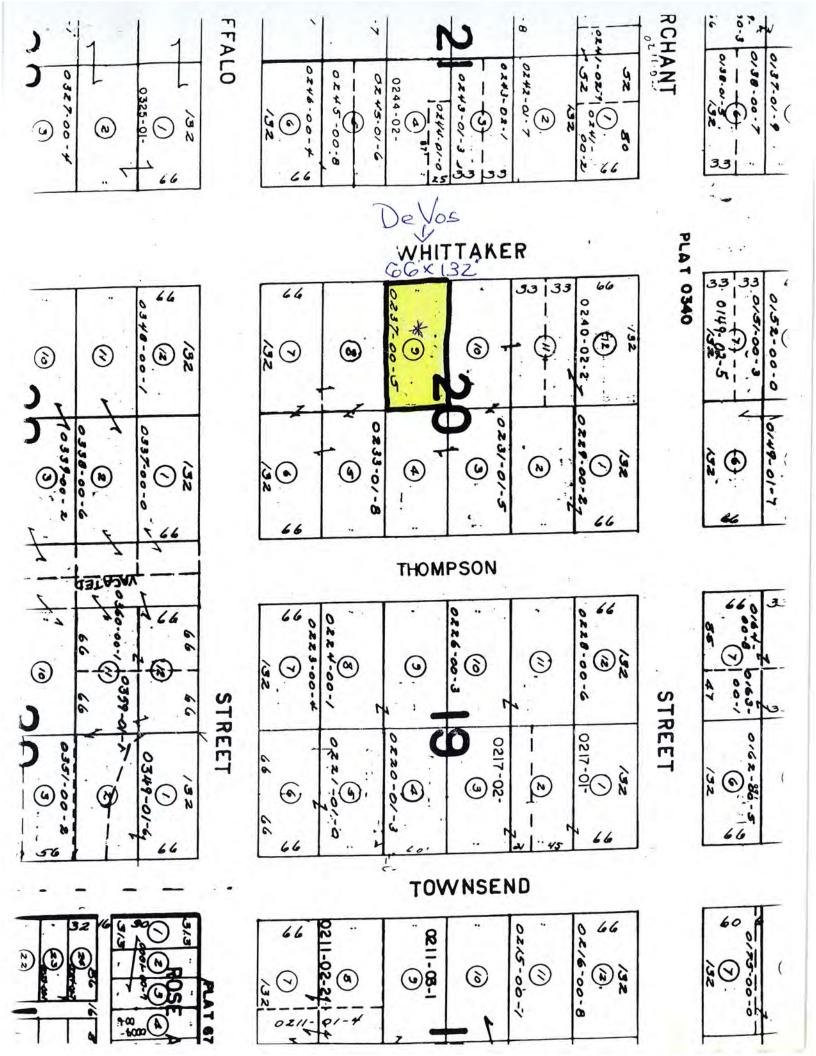
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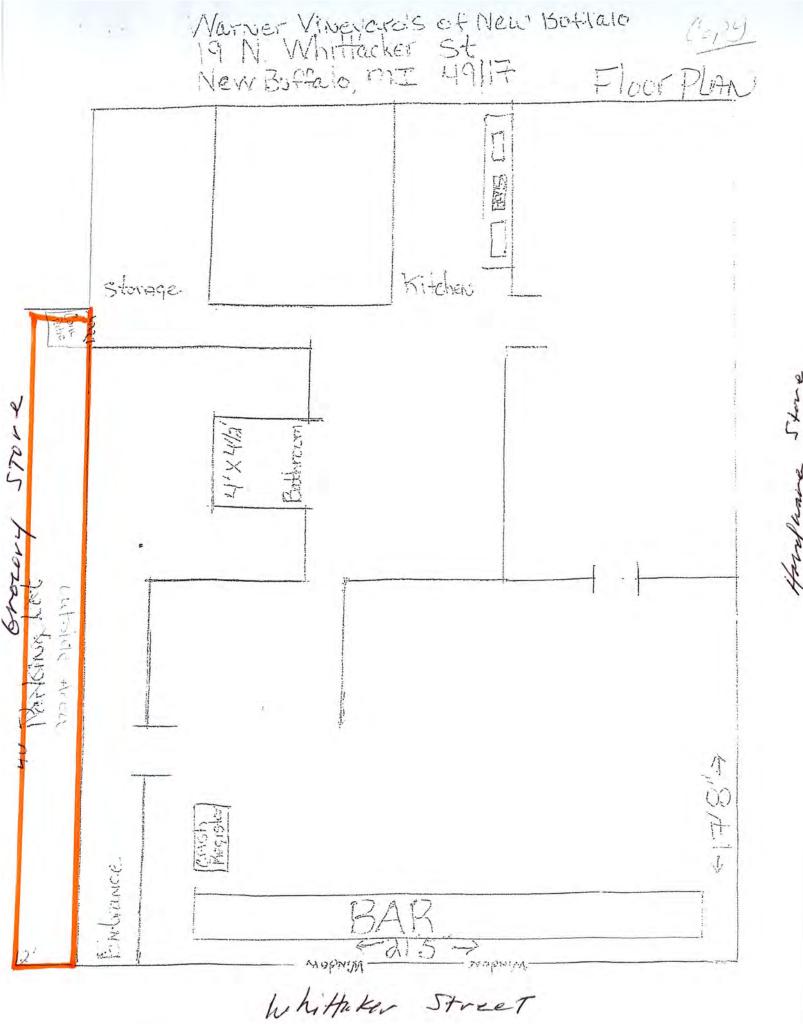
Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA) have established a policy requiring the applicant or a designated representative of the applicant to be present at any meeting or public hearing at which their application is to be considered. Failure of the applicant or designee of the applicant to appear may postpone consideration of the application by the Planning Commission or ZBA. B) Declaratory Statement: I, hereby certify that all information contained in this application and accompanying documentation is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and further, I acknowledge the required attendance of the applicant as set forth in paragraph A above. I furthermore grant permission for identified members of the City of New Buffalo's Planning Commission or Zoning Board of Appeals to visit the site(s) referenced in this application. C) Applicant Signature: D) Notary Public Certification Statement I, Jodie M. Schrepper, Notary Public in and for the State of Michigan this day of  $\sqrt{u}$ , 2019 the above captioned applicant appeared before me and under oath, stated that all matters contained in this application are true. My commission expires:  $\frac{\partial -\partial k}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial \partial k}{\partial y}$ Notary Public State of Michigan County of Kalamazoo VIII. City Staff Review My Commission Expires February 26, 2023 A) Fire Department approval of Site and Building Plans, except for single family dwellings: This application and associated documentation must be reviewed by the Fire Chief or his designee, which can be arranged by calling the Fire Department: 269-469-4993. Review Date: Approval: Yes Signature: Conditions: Attached None Title:

B) Note to applicant: The original application must be filed in the Office of the Zoning Administrator, where the following signatures are required for verification that this is a complete and valid application to be considered by the Planning Commission or the Zoning Board of Appeals.

Building Inspector: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Initial meeting date:

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### STAFF REPORT

### Ozinga Energy

Meeting Date: January 7, 2020

Project Number: 11.27.19

Project Name: Ozinga Energy CNG Facility Site Plan Review

Applicant: Jason Van Den Brink, Ozinga Energy, 19001 Old LaGrange Road, Mokena, IL 60448. 708-326-3600

Property Location: 825 S. Whittaker Street, New Buffalo, MI 49117, #11-62-8200-0307-02-8

Owner: Same as above

Dimensions: 278'x264' (92,975 SF)

Proposed Use: Construction of a compressed natural gas fueling station for private and public use

Zoning: 825 S. Whittaker Street – General Industry (I-1)

Action Requested: Site Plan Review.

### **OVERVIEW**

The applicant requests approval of a Site Plan to allow construction and use of a compressed natural gas facility for fueling of Ozinga trucks and public use. An above ground pump is planned for Ozinga's S. Whittaker Street truck entrance with substantial landscaping improvements as indicated in the site plan. Commercial gasoline fueling stations are permitted by right in Section 13-2. and the Zoning Administrator is allowed the discretion to approve similar uses. Section 19-2 of the City's Zoning Ordinance specifies site plan review standards.

### Section 19-6, A, General Information

The application submitted is complete.

### Section 19-6, B, Site Analysis/Project Impact

The drawings as submitted satisfy the requirements of this section.

Section 19-6, C, and 19-9, Site Plan Information and Approval Standards

The drawings as submitted satisfy the requirements of this section and have been reviewed by a third party.

### FINDINGS/RECOMMENDATION

- An electric charging station is included in future phases of the project.
- In previous discussions a sound barrier was discussed but is not include in the plan.
- The site plan is not signed and sealed and the engineers license expired in November of 2019.
- The City's attorney is investigating the need to combine the parcels involved in the project.
- Both the Police and Fire Chief are reviewing the site plan for any concerns.

After review of the application materials, confirmation of the facts reported, site inspections and evaluation of the site plan review criteria, it is recommended the Site Plan application for Project #11.27.19, referred to as Ozinga Energy CNG Facility be approved.

Respectfully,

David Richards, City Manager

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CITY OF NEW BUFFALO

PLANNING COMMISSION/ ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS APPLICATION



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224 W Buffalo St, New Buffalo, MI 49117 City Hall: 269-469-1500 Building Dept: 269-469-7144 Facsimile: 269-469-7917

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### I. Applicant and Owner Information

A) Applicant(s) principal contact:	E) Property owner(s) principal contact:	
Name Jason Van Den Brink, Ozinga Energy Address	Name Jason Van Den Brink, Ozinga E Address	Energ
Telephone	Telephone	
B) Applicant(s) secondary contact:	F) Architect (if applicable):	
Name	Name	
Address	Address	
Telephone	Telephone	
C) Agent or Attorney (if applicable):	G) Engineer (if applicable):	
Name	Name Bryan Rieger, V3 Companies, L	td.
Address	Address	
Telephone	Telephone	
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Yes - Answer below       No - Skip below	* Property owner	
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A) Please describe the proposed use of the land and/or building assuming approval of the request:
The proposed compressed natural gas fueling station would have a single pump and related underground
equipment. The two existing driveways would be repaved and connected with a loop and the lot will
be landscaped. The existing fence and gates to the Ozinga property would also be reconfigured to allow
public access to the fueling area, while maintaining security to the concrete plant. The single family
residence will be demolished.

- B) What is the proposed time frame for the build-out of this development: December 2019 March 2020
- C) For each intended use please fill-in the number of buildings, square footage of each building, the total square footage of the development, and the required number of parking spaces; as well as the number and size of the water and the sewer connections:

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Peak traffic flow count for the proposed development:	N/A
How many lineal feet of roadway is proposed to be developed:	N/A
4) How many cul-de-sacs will be constructed as part of this project:	N/A
5) How many curb cuts to City, County or State roads are proposed: _	N/A
E) Does the request contemplated in this application concern any hazardou No I Yes – describe the type and quantity of materials (attach e	us materials: xtra pages if necessary):

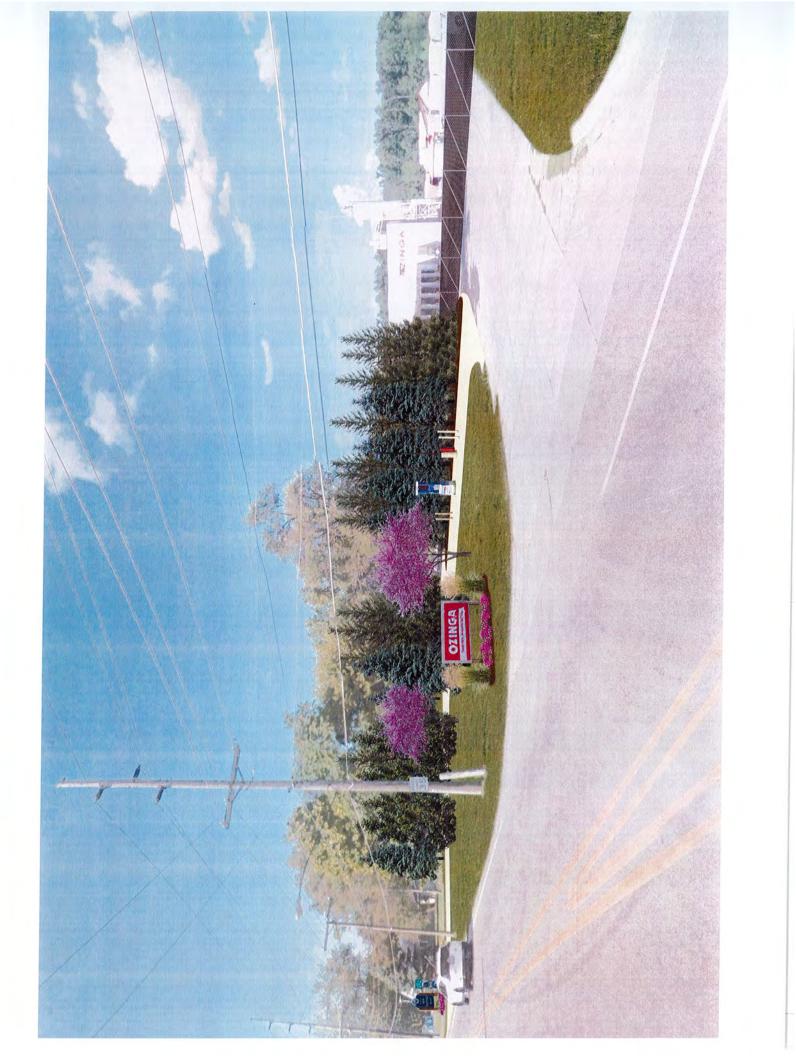
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C) Applicant Signature:	Date: 11/13/19
D) Notary Public Certification Statement:	
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My commission expires: 7-04-2020  VIII. City Staff Revie  A) Fire Department approval of Site and Building Plans, exce application and associated documentation must be review which can be arranged by calling the Fire Department: 26	ept for single family dwellings: This ved by the Fire Chief or his designee,
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Conditions:   Attached   None Title:	
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Building Inspector:	Date:
Zoning Administrator:	Date:
Initial meeting date:	





### **Dave Richards**

From:

Rich Killips

Sent:

Friday, December 13, 2019 9:05 AM

To:

Tony McGhee; Fire Department; Fire Department (newbuffalocityfire@hotmail.com)

Cc:

Dave Richards

Subject:

Re: Final CNG Memo

### Good morning,

Chris Huston and I reviewed the plans from a public safety viewpoint and had no major issues. Chris had two requests for this project.

- Would like to see a rendering of the actual locations of the NG main and the nearest shutoff outside of the ones on the plans which are both inside of the "hot zones" for the fueling station.
- A knox box be placed somewhere onsite that will allow firefighters access to the NG shutoff inside of the secured fence area.

If you have any questions please let us know

### Rich Killips Chief of Police

New Buffalo City Police Department 224 W. Buffalo St. New Buffalo Mi. 49117 269-469-1593 Office 269-469-2110 Fax



From: Tony McGhee <tmcghee@abonmarche.com>

**Sent:** Friday, December 13, 2019 8:08 AM **To:** Nick Curcio <ncurcio@curciofirm.com>

Cc: Dave Richards <manager@cityofnewbuffalo.org>; Rich Killips <rkillips@cityofnewbuffalo.org>

Subject: Re: Final CNG Memo

thank you Nick.

Sent from my iPhone

### Tony,

In answer to your question for me below, there's no need for a formal lot combination. The zoning ordinance defines the term "lot" to mean "A parcel of land, or contiguous parcels of land under one ownership described within fixed boundaries, of sufficient size and configuration to meet the site development requirements of this ordinance and having access to a public road or approved private road."

-Nick

From: Tony McGhee <tmcghee@abonmarche.com>
Date: Tuesday, December 10, 2019 at 11:46 AM
To: David Richards <manager@cityofnewbuffalo.org>

Cc: 'Rich Killips' <rkillips@cityofnewbuffalo.org>, Nick Curcio <ncurcio@curciofirm.com>

Subject: Final CNG Memo

Dave,

We have reviewed the site plans submitted for the proposed CNG facility and provided feedback in the attached memo. I have copied Chief and Nick as there are a couple things they would be good to weigh in on for the City below. For you, there are a few things you've asked about that are in the memo but I want to point out here as well.

- They do have an electric charging station in the project but it is not until a future undefined phase which means it may or may not get added down the road
- When you met with them they talked about how they build a block wall around the pumping station itself in Indiana for asthetics and a sound barrier. They said they would do one here but does not appear to be shown on the plans
- The plans are not signed and sealed and based on the signature box the engineer who prepared the plans license expired in November 2019. It may have been renewed by now but they should be signed and sealed by a licensed professional per the zoning ordinance.

### Nick,

There are four (4) different parcels with common ownership being used for the proposed site plan. Each of the independent parcels for the purpose of the proposed improvements cannot stand alone as the improvements shown require flow through drives etc that utilize all of the parcels. Are you ok with the four separate parcels being used collectively for the purposes of meeting the City's zoning requirements or if they have to be combined into one parcel for consideration of the proposed CNG facility being placed on the Ozinga facility?

### Chief,

In terms of traffic maintenance, I was not sure if you wanted in/out signs on the drives and if you wanted to limit which drives could do what (this is item #18 on page 5 of the memo)

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