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February 28, 2020

# HONORABLE CITY COUNCIL

RE: Special district review of the request of the Buildings, for proposed alterations to the former site of Ford Auditorium (RECOMMENDING CONDITIONAL APPROAVL)

# NATURE OF REQUEST

The City Planning Commission has received application and Your Honorable Body has been petitioned for Special District Review and approval of proposed alteration to the site of the demolished Ford Auditorium on East Jefferson Ave. Imagination Detroit, on behalf of Ford Motor Company, is requesting authorization to make improvements to enable the site to be used for the staging events and exhibitions, essentially expanding activities at Hart Plaza. Currently, the site is used for surface parking and event related storage without benefit of improvement since the former venue was demolished. The site also sits above the two level Ford Underground Garage.

These proposed improvements are being pursued by the petitioner in lieu of a user fee. They will not only benefit Ford Motor Company's planned exhibition during the North American International Auto Show, but any other users of the site following completion of construction. These improvements will provide a better appearance and greater utilization of the site until greater renovation and redevelopment occur here and at Hart Plaza.

The property is zoned PC (Public Center) and as such Your approval is required after receiving report and recommendation from the Planning and Development Department and the City Planning Commission.

## PROPOSAL REVIEW

The upper level of the site meets the grade of E. Jefferson Ave. and extends southward about 300 feet to an irregular edge line. This portion of the site contains the vestiges of the approach and drop-off for the old venue as well as a landscaped area along Bates Street where a few mature trees also remain. These existing features are to be demolished and replaced with a rectangular asphalt paved pad that can support parking and events. The pad will also include drainage and will be bordered by a concrete walking path and landscaped areas. Vehicular access will be retained along E. Jefferson. These improvements are depicted in attached site plan.

A secondary sidewalk currently runs parallel to and about 58 feet south of the primary sidewalk along E. Jefferson Ave. connecting to Hart Plaza. The demolition and repaving will eliminate the distinguishing characteristics of the side walk, but pedestrian movement along that path is to be

retained. The retaining wall at the western edge of this area will remain, defining the shared border with Hart Plaza.

The remainder of the site drops about 20 feet below the grade of the upper level and extends southward another 300 feet or so to Atwater Street. The remaining vestiges of the auditorium will be demolished and the site regraded adding an 18 bed of compacted crushed concrete Drainage will also be added to this portion of the site, truly making it serviceable for events. Repairs and improvements will also be made to the maintenance and emergency access road that runs along the western edge of the site abutting Hart Plaza.

# CONCLUSION AND PRELIMINARY RECOMMENDATION

The Planning and Development Department and City Planning Commission staff are finalizing our review and discussions with the petitioner. The proposed alterations will provide an improved finished grade to support events on site and at Hart Plaza while also providing better accommodation for parking when events are not being staged. This improved condition will also increase the value and utility of the site until such time that more significant renovation of the subject property and Hart Plaza can be realized.

As noted above, the pavement comprising the secondary sidewalk which runs south of and parallel to E. Jefferson will be lost to the demolition and the area is to be repaved with asphalt. Since pedestrian movement is intended to continue along that path, it might benefit from some pavement marking to communicate that intention to motorized and non-motorized users.

The plans as submitted don't convey any detail as to how the landscaped areas will be treated. Given that a number of mature trees are to be removed from the site, PDD and CPC suggest that some tree planting should be included in the landscaped area along Bates Street and possibly East Jefferson where the subsurface structure will permit.

Consistent with the above review and findings CPC staff recommends approval of the requested alterations to the former site of the Ford Auditorium with the following conditions:

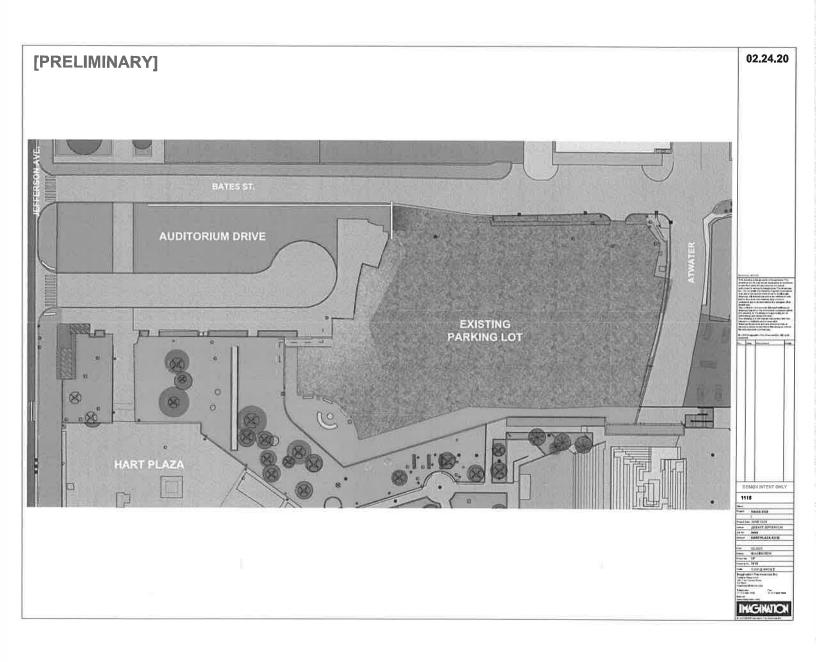
- 1. That in order to provide additional safety and convenience, pavement markings be added to the asphalt paving of the upper level to denote the path of the east/west secondary sidewalk south of E. Jefferson Ave. where it traverses the site;
- 2. That if the underlying structure will allow trees and shrubs to be placed in the area denoted for landscaping on the site plan, landscape of a type, species and spacing interval to be determined in conjunction with GSD, PDD and CPC, and
- 3. That final site plans, elevations, landscaping, lighting and signage plans be submitted to CPC staff prior to application being made for applicable permits, for review and approval for consistency with this approval.

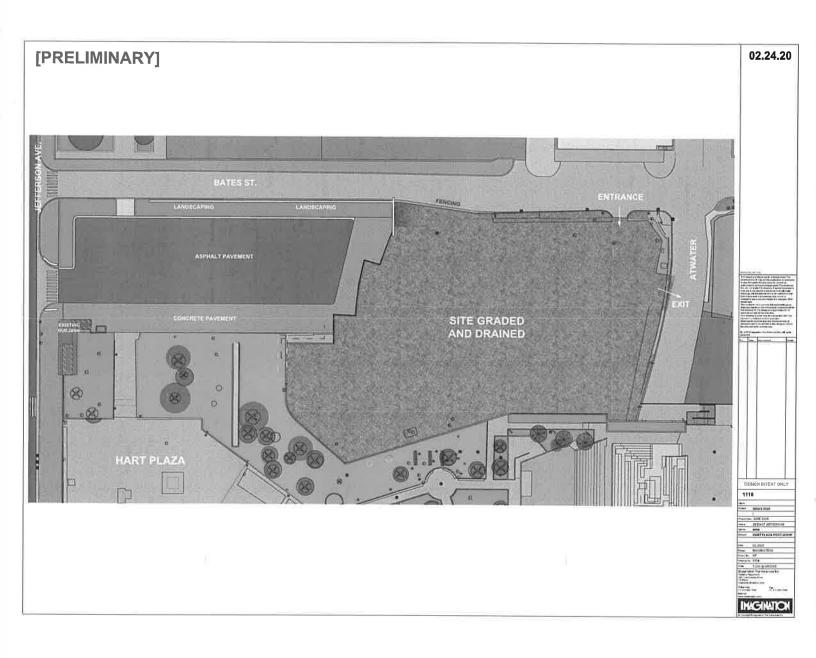
Respectfully submitted,

Marcell R. Todd, Jr. Director Jamie Murphy, City Planner

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Attachments





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February 27, 2020

RE: HONORABLE CITY COUNCIL

RE: Request of Verus Development, LLC to amend Article XVII, District Map No. 39 of

the 2019 Detroit City Code, Chapter 50, Zoning, by showing a PD Planned

Development District) zoning classification where an R1 (Single-family Residential District) zoning classification currently exists on two parcels, commonly identified as 4470 and 4444 Radnor Avenue. The proposed map amendment is being requested to allow for the establishment of Chipotle Mexican Grill, commonly known as

"restaurant, fast-food, with drive-up or drive-through facilities" including the "sale of

beer or alcoholic liquor for consumption on the premises" (RECOMMEND

APPROVAL)

# **PROPOSAL**

Before this Honorable Body is the request of the Verus Development, LLC to rezone two parcels, commonly identified as 4470 and 4444 Radnor Avenue, generally bounded by Cornwall Avenue on the north, Canyon Street on the east, Mack Avenue on the south, and Radnor Street on the west to show a PD (Planned Development District) zoning classification where an R1 (Single-family Residential District) zoning classification currently exists (see attached map).

The petitioner is proposing to establish a Chipotle Mexican Grill restaurant. According to the Zoning Ordinance, the proposed use, while not exact, most closely resembles a "restaurant, fast-food, with drive-up or drive-through facilities." Additionally the petitioner is requesting to allow for the "sale of beer or alcoholic liquor for consumption on the premises."

The proposed fast-food restaurant would include a 340 square foot patio for outside dining, two pints of vehicular ingress/egress (one on Mack Ave and one on Radnor Street), a six foot high screen wall (abutting the residential property to the north). The proposal also includes a landscaping and screening plan for the off-street parking area. Approximately nineteen parking spaces are planned to be provided (see rendering below and attached site plan).



Rendering of proposed Chipotle restaurant

The subject site currently contains two structures that are proposed to be demolished in order to allow for the development. The two buildings that are presently on the property are a vacant single-family residence at 4470 Radnor and the vacant religious structure that was previously Mt. Olive Lutheran Church. Both of these properties were acquired by the development team for this project. The two parcel are zoned R1 (Single Family Residential) and measure approximately .48 acres in size.

# PLANNING CONSIDERATIONS

# Surrounding Zoning and Land Use

The zoning classification and land uses surrounding the subject area are as follows:

North: R1 - residential homes

South: City of Grosse Pointe - commercial retail with single-family residential beyond

East: PD and B4 – commercial service and retail

West: R1 and PD - single-family residential and retail.

# Master Plan Consistency

The subject site is located within the Finney area of Neighborhood Cluster 3 of the Detroit Master Plan of Policies. The Future Land Use map for this area shows "CN," Neighborhood Commercial for the subject property. "Neighborhood Commercial" districts generally consist of a large collection of contiguous storefronts along a street or streets. This commercial type is pedestrian-oriented with wide sidewalks and landscaping. Parking should be located on the street, in structures (with ground floor retail), at the rear of commercial establishments or in concentrated nodes at the periphery of the area." The Planning and Development Department (P&DD) has provided a Master Plan interpretation stating that this proposal is consistent with the Master Plan.

# COMMUNITY INPUT AND PUBLIC HEARING RESULTS

The development team has submitted letters of support from the Cornerstone Village Community Association, the abutting neighbor at 4480 Radnor St., Ray Laethem Motor Village, EZ Storage and the GPVG, LLC. These engagement efforts have been supported by the District 4 City Council office, in which the site lies.

A mailing was also sent to property owners within 300 feet of the property and notice posted on the site. To-date, staff has received only one call regarding this matter from a business owner on the Grosse Pointe side of Mack Avenue asking for information about what is proposed.

City Planning Commission staff also worked with the development team to set up a one-on-one call with the neighbor that is directly adjacent to the development site. The neighbor expressed general support of the project given that a masonry screening wall would be installed per conversations that were held with the development team, (also shown in site plans that would be codified in terms and conditions of the PD). CPC staff also walked some of the surrounding neighborhood and spoke with neighbors who expressed awareness and support of the project.

On February 6, 2020, a public hearing was held before the City Planning Commission on February 6<sup>th</sup>. No members of the public spoke to this matter.

#### **ANALYSIS**

While CPC staff initially believed that the B4 (General Business District) zoning classification would have typically been more fitting for the site, there are certain unique considerations that merit the site to be rezoned to the Planned Development District zoning classification, that would help to ensure that all neighboring resident, design and operational concerns are addressed. Some of the rationale for the site to be Planned Development are as follows:

- The sale of beer or alcoholic liquor for consumption on the premises: The petition requests the inclusion of "the sale and consumption of alcoholic beverage on the premises." As of now, the Zoning Ordinance is seemingly silent on the issue of alcohol being served at fast food establishments. The PD allows an opportunity for the proposed allowance for alcohol to be expressly conveyed through the public hearing process, for the public to have the opportunity to weigh in, and for the legislative body to review. Todate, staff has received no objections to the proposal of alcoholic beverage to be served on the premises. This allowance is only for alcoholic beverage to be served on-site and not for pick-up services.
- Rezoning of a residential parcel: One of the parcels included in the rezoning currently hosts a vacant single-family residence. The home that is proposed to be removed also abuts an occupied residential home. The PD zoning would allow CPC to work with the developer and adjacent resident to ensure that that screening and buffering are adequately and appropriately carried out.
- Unique use and Irregular lot size considerations: The operation of the proposed restaurant does not match either of the three restaurant definitions in the Zoning Ordinance. While it most closely resembles a fast-food establishment, this restaurant will operate more like a standard sit-down. Operations such as this point out a deficiency in current regulations and the need for updating to address changes in the restaurant industry, particularly around casual dining.

The subject site is an irregularly shaped piece of land. Section 50-14-203 Design and Layout of the Zoning Ordinance requires an <sup>1</sup>escape lane or aisle where deemed appropriate by the P&DD. The proposed Chipotle would not operate a drive through in the traditional sense with an order box, payment and pickup windows. The drive through would support a pick up window for customers and delivery services retrieving previously ordered meals. The restaurant operation would employ a 'call and order to go' service, using a phone application for orders. Patrons and services would be alerted when their order is ready through the app, and for this reason are not expected to have a wait time.

The CPC was satisfied with Chipotle's operation not providing an escape lane due to size and configuration constraints. However, there were concerns related to the need for an escape lane if another restaurant, with a more traditional stacking lane operation, were ever to purchase and operate this site. A PD zoning classification would trigger review if an alternative operation were proposed in the future that might incorporate a more intensive drive through operation with order box.

- Screening and buffering: As the proposed restaurant partially encroaches into a residential area, CPC has required a more robust means of screening and buffering to create an aesthetically pleasing buffer for surrounding homes, that is more extensive than what is otherwise required by ordinance.
- Signage The condition of the PD requires the petitioner to implement signage that has language to restrict turns on to the residential Radnor Street.

For these reasons, CPC elected to rezone to a PD zoning classification.

# APPROVAL CRITERIA

Approval criteria for Planned Developments are outlined in Sec. 50-3-96 of the Zoning Ordinance. There are eight criteria that the Zoning Ordinance sets forth for approval of a rezoning to PD.

- (1) Whether the subject site:
  - a. Covers a minimum of two acres of contiguous land under the control of one owner or group of owners, except, that upon determining that an adequate development can be accomplished on a parcel of lesser size, the City Planning Commission may waive this requirement; and
  - Is capable of being planned and developed as one integral unit, except in unusual circumstances;
- (2) Whether the proposed amendment is consistent with the Master Plan (MP) and the stated purposes of this chapter;
- (3) Whether the proposed amendment will protect the health, safety, and general welfare of the public;

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> An escape lane or aisle should measure ten feet in width and is provided adjacent to the stacking lane where deemed appropriate so that vehicles may exit the stacking lane if necessary.

- (4) Whether the City and other service providers will be able to provide adequate public facilities and services to the subject property, while maintaining adequate levels of service to existing development;
- (5) Whether the proposed rezoning will have significant adverse impacts on the natural environment, including air, water, soil, wildlife, and vegetation and with respect to anticipated changes in noise and regarding stormwater management;
- (6) Whether the proposed amendment will have significant adverse impacts on other property that is in the vicinity of the subject tract;
- (7) The suitability of the subject property for the existing zoning classification and proposed zoning classification; and
- (8) Whether the proposed rezoning will create an illegal "spot zone."

The proposed map amendment transitions the Mack Avenue frontage from institutional to a business oriented site, which most of Mack Avenue is already developed as. The subject site is one of the last institutional sites along Mack Avenue. Therefore, the site can be considered to be following the development trend of this particular thoroughfare.

A rezoning to allow for this development would be aligned with the Retail and Local Services land use designation of the Master Plan. The P&DD has submitted a letter confirming that the proposed development is in conformance with the Master Plan of Policies. It is not anticipated that the proposed amendment would have significant adverse impacts on other properties in the vicinity. The developer has reached out to surrounding property owners and appears to have their support.

The subject proposal would not be considered a spot zone as it is generally in conformance with the Master Plan and also is located along a thoroughfare that is largely zoned commercial.

## CONCLUSION AND RECOMMENDATION

On February 6, 2020 the City Planning Commission voted to recommend approval of the PD rezoning request for the two parcels, commonly identified as 4470 and 4444 Radnor Avenue. The CPC voted to waive the approval criteria requirement that the proposed site cover a minimum of two acres in order to rezone to PD due to the rationale provided above the existing adjacent PD districts.

The City Planning Commission recommended approval with the following conditions:

- 1. That the developer must mitigate construction-related impacts on neighboring properties; and
- 2. That signage be installed at the Radnor driveway indicating "no right turn" onto Radnor; and
- 3. That the developer work with City Planning Commission staff and the Planning and Development Department to develop a more robust means of screening and buffering the site; and
- 4. That all final site plans, lighting, landscaping, signage, and elevations must be submitted to the City Planning Commission staff for review for consistency with approved plans prior to the developer making application for required permits.

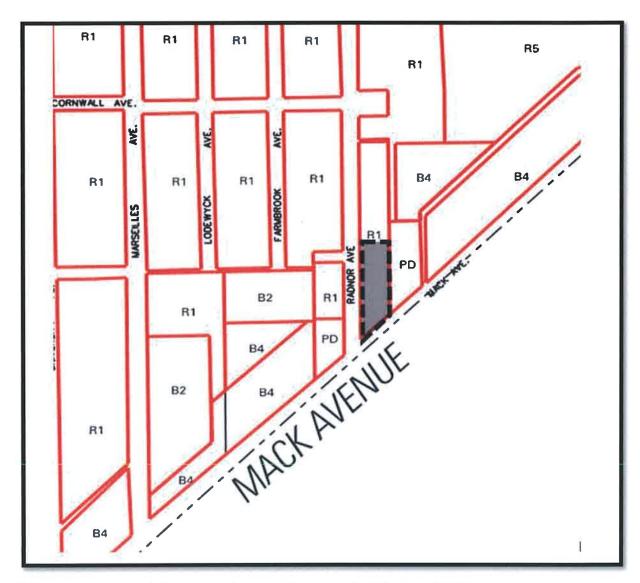
As a result of the Law Department's review and approval as to form of the draft effectuating ordinance, a fifth condition was added to address the petitioner's pursuit of authorization to allow for the sale and consumption of alcoholic beverages.

Respectfully submitted, ALTON JAMES, CHAIRPERSON

Marcell R. Todd, Jr., Director Kimani Jeffrey, City Planner

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Cc: Katy Trudeau, Deputy Director, PDD
Karen Gage, Director of Zoning Innovation, PDD
David Bell, Director, BSEED
Lawrence T. Garcia, Corp. Counsel
Arthur Jemison, Chief of Infrastructure and Services



Proposed Rezoning from R1 to PD

# SUMMARY

An ordinance to amend Chapter 50 of the 2019 Detroit City Code, *Zoning*, by amending Article XVII, Section 50-17-41 District Map No. 39 to establish a PD (Planned Development District) zoning classification where an R1 (Single-family Residential District) zoning classification currently exists on property commonly identified as 4444 and 4470 Radnor Avenue to allow for a restaurant including the sale of beer or alcoholic liquor for consumption on the premises.

# BY COUNCIL MEMBER

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AN ORDINANCE to amend Chapter 50 of the 2019 Detroit City Code, Zoning, by amending Article XVII, Section 50-17-41 District Map No. 39 to establish a PD (Planned Development District) zoning classification where an R1 (Single-family Residential District) zoning classification currently exists on property commonly identified as 4444 and 4470 Radnor Avenue to allow for a restaurant including the sale of beer or alcoholic liquor for consumption on the premises.

## IT IS HEREBY ORDAINED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE CITY OF DETROIT THAT:

2 Section 1. Chapter 50 of the 2019 Detroit City Code is amended as follows:

3 Article XVII, Section 50-17-41, District Map No. 39 is amended to establish a PD (Planned 4 Development District) zoning classification where an R1 (Single-family Residential District) 5 zoning classification currently exists on property commonly identified as 4444 and 4470 Radnor 6 Avenue and allowing a fast-food restaurant and establishment for the sale of beer or alcoholic 7 liquor for consumption on the premises consistent with approved plans for the PD (Planned 8 Development District) zoning classification on property currently shown as: 9 THE LAND SITUATED IN THE CITY OF DETROIT, COUNTY OF WAYNE, STATE OF MICHIGAN, IS DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: 10

11 PARCEL A:

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LOTS 145 THROUGH 149, INCLUDING THE VACATED ALLEY AND RADNOR 12 13 AVENUE AS ADJACENT, EXCEPT MACK AVENUE AS WIDENED, LEONARD-HILLGER LAND CO'S SUBDIVISION, OF A PART OF LOTS 16, 17 AND 18 PLAT 14 15 OF PRIVATE CLAIM 300, PREPARED FOR THE HEIRS OF OLIVER RIVARD,

DECEASED AND RECORDED IN LIBER 221, PAGE 332 OF DEEDS, ACCORDING

1		TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN LIBER 41, PAGE 77 OF PLATS,						
2		WAYNE COUNTY RECORDS.						
3		PARCEL B:						
4		LOT 144, LEONARD-HILLGER LAND CO'S SUBDIVISION, OF A PART OF LOTS						
5		16, 17 AND 18 OF PLAT OF PRIVATE CLAIM 300, PREPARED FOR THE HEIRS						
6		OF OLIVER RIVARD, DECEASED, AND RECORDED IN LIBER 221, PAGE 332 OF						
7		DEEDS, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN LIBER 41,						
8		PAGE 77 OF PLATS, WAYNE COUNTY RECORDS.						
9	All de	velopment within the PD (Planned Development District) zoning classification for the land						
10	descrit	cribed herein shall be in accordance with the site plans, elevations, and other components of						
11	the dev	evelopment proposal for Verus Development Group, LLC in the drawings dated January 29,						
12	2020 a	020 and prepared by Serra-Marko & Associates., subject to the following conditions:						
13	1.	That the developer must mitigate construction-related impacts on neighboring properties;						
14		<u>and</u>						
15	2.	That signage be installed at the Radnor driveway indicating "no right turn" onto Radnor;						
16		and						
17	3.	That the developer work with City Planning Commission staff and the Planning and						
18		Development Department to develop a more robust means of screening and buffering the						
19		site; and						
20	4.	That all final site plans, lighting, landscaping, signage, and elevations must be submitted						
21		to the City Planning Commission staff for review for consistency with approved plans						
22		prior to the developer making application for required permits;						
23	5.	Any conditions imposed by City Council for the operation of a regulated use at the						
24		premises.						

Section 2. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with this ordinance are repealed. 1 Section 3. This ordinance is declared necessary for the preservation of the public peace, 2 health, safety and welfare of the people of the City of Detroit. 3 Section 4. This ordinance shall become effective on the eighth (8th) day after publication 4 in accordance with Section 401(6) of Public Act 110 of 2006, as amended, M.C.L. 125.3401(6), 5 and Section 4-118, paragraph 3 of the 2012 Detroit City Charter. 6 7 8 Approved as to form: 9 Famence J. Barcia 10 11 Lawrence T. García, 12 Corporation Counsel



PROPOSED RESTAURANT

WITH DRIVE-THRU

444 RADNOR STREET PARCEL ID: 21078210

CITY OF DETROIT

# VERUS DEVELOPMENT PLAN SET CLASSIFICATION

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STONEFIELD & design

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WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN

# **ZONING MAP**

PROPOSED RESTAURANT WITH DRIVE-THRU FACILITIES

SITE DEVELOPMENT PLANS

**VERUS DEVELOPMENT** 

SCALE I"= 100'±



PLANS PREPARED BY:

**AERIAL MAP** SCALE: 1" = 100'± Detroit, Mi • New York, NY • Boston, MA Plinceton, NJ • Tampa, FL • Rutherford, NJ

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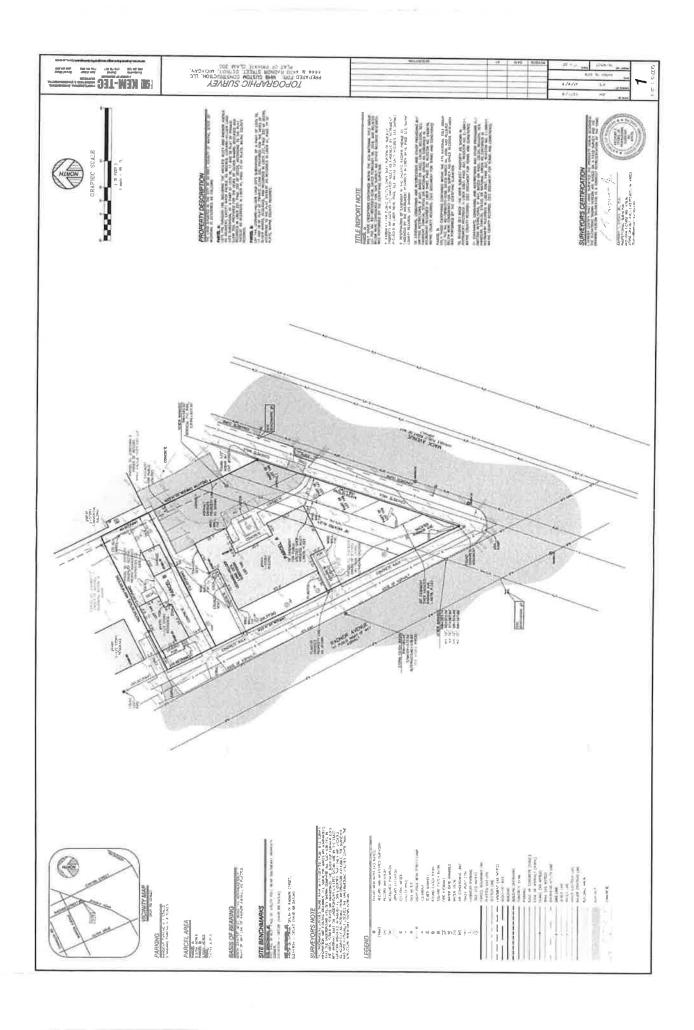
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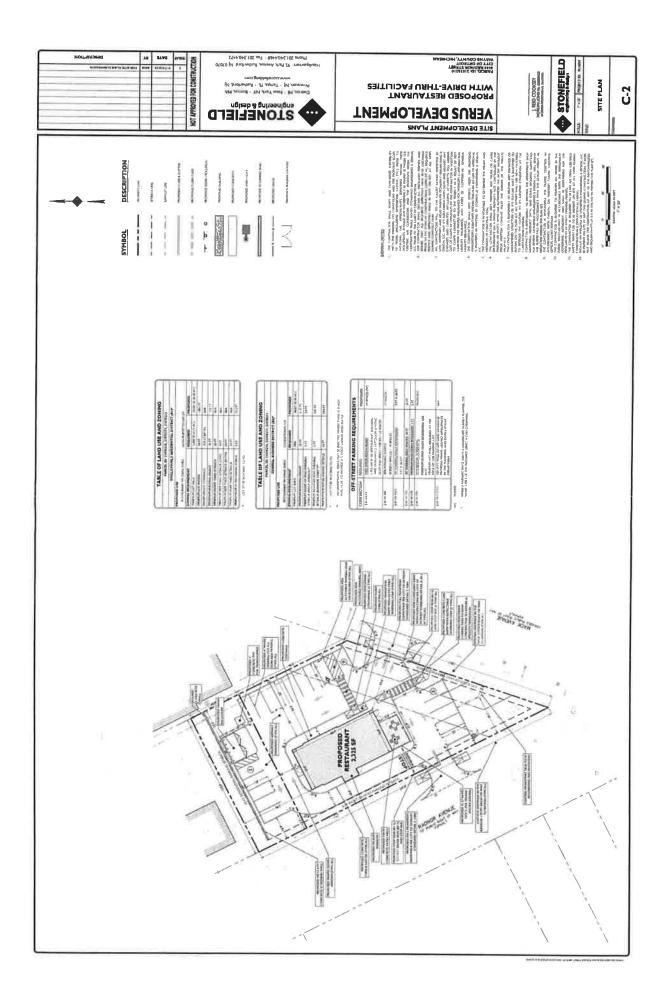
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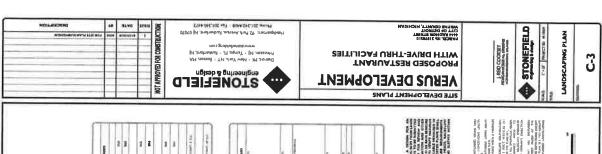
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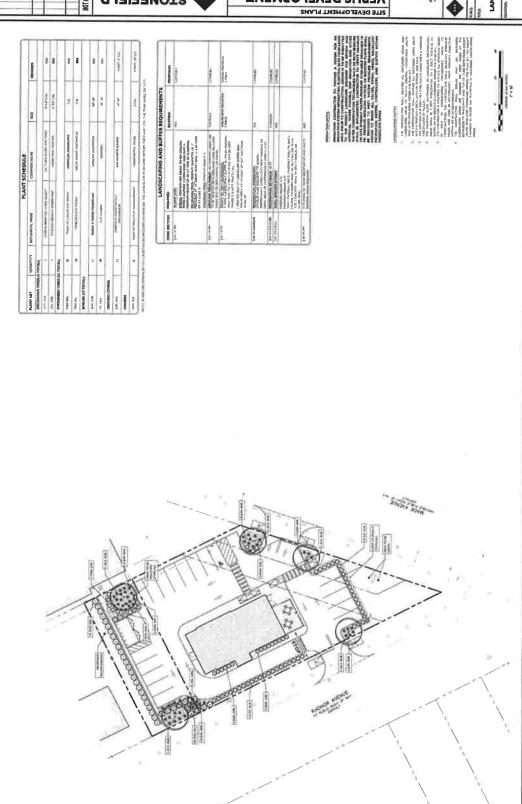
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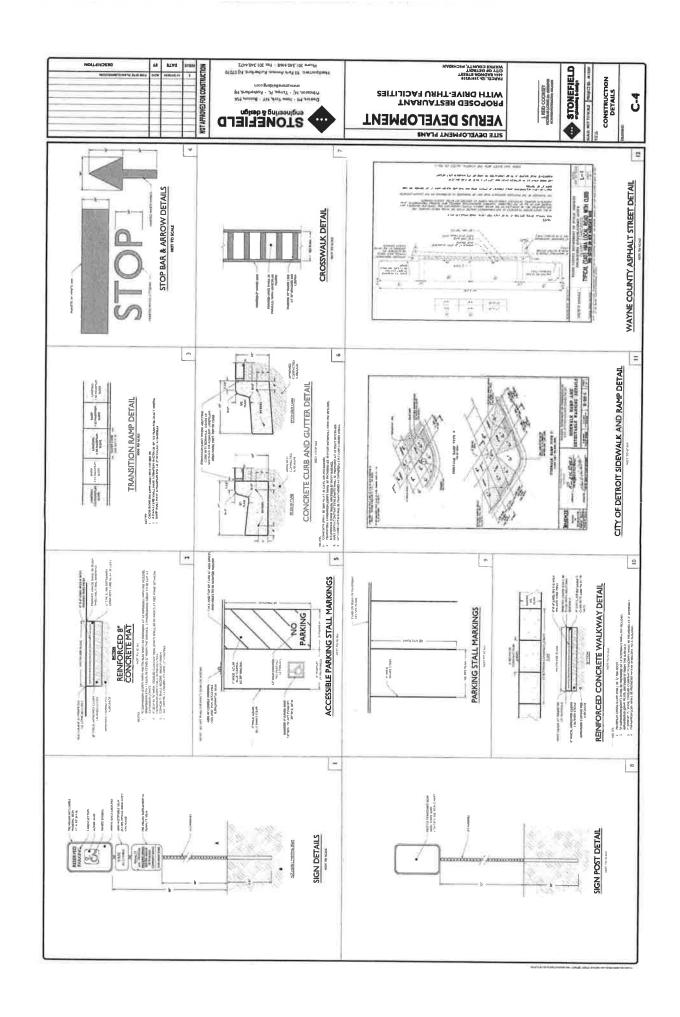
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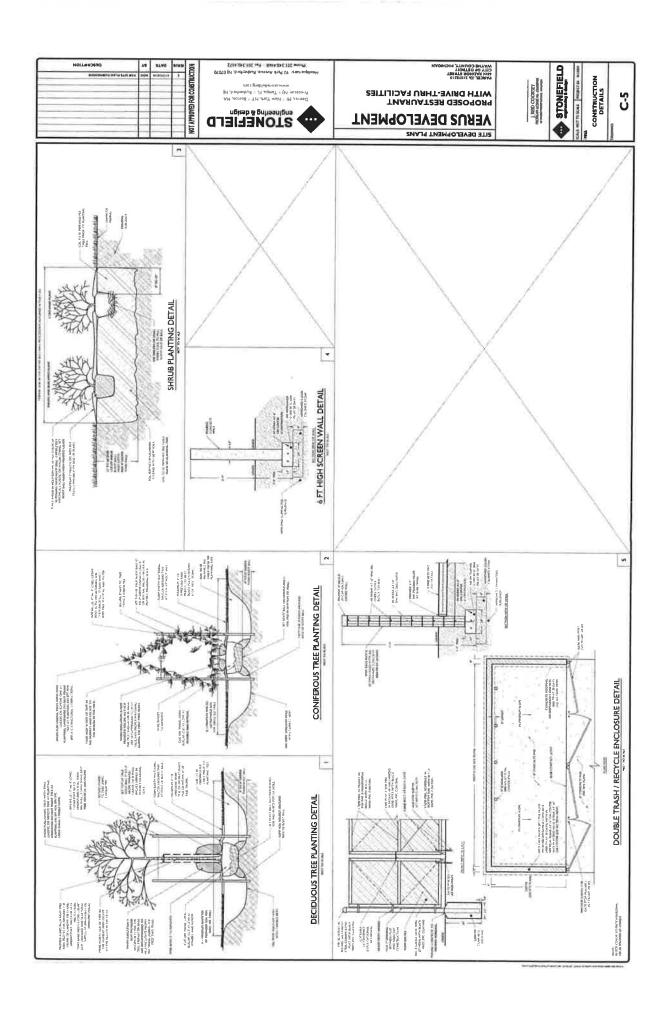


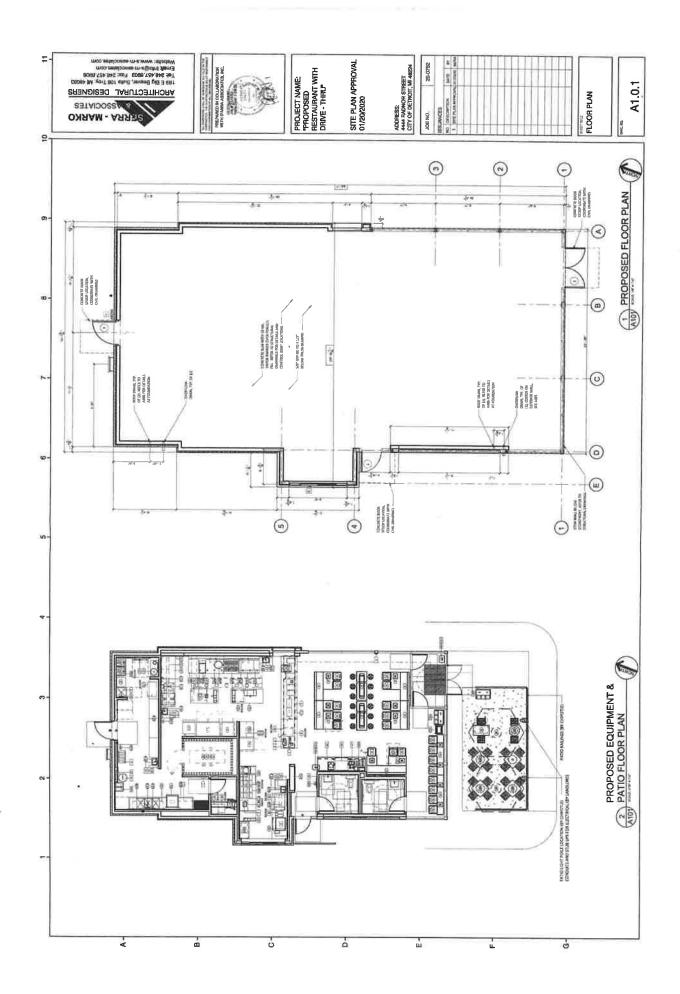


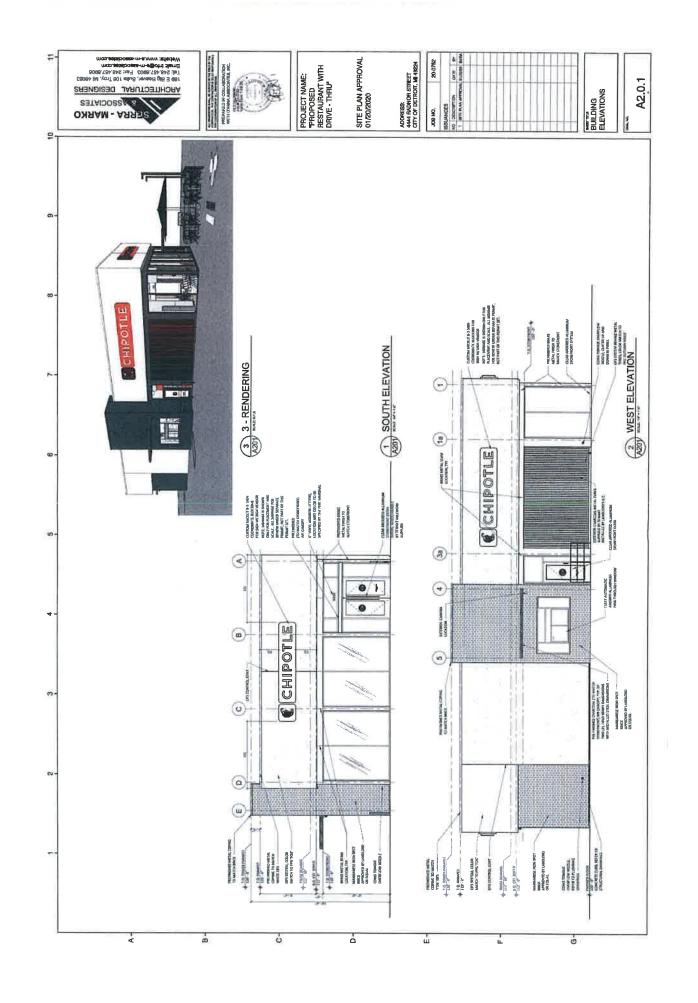


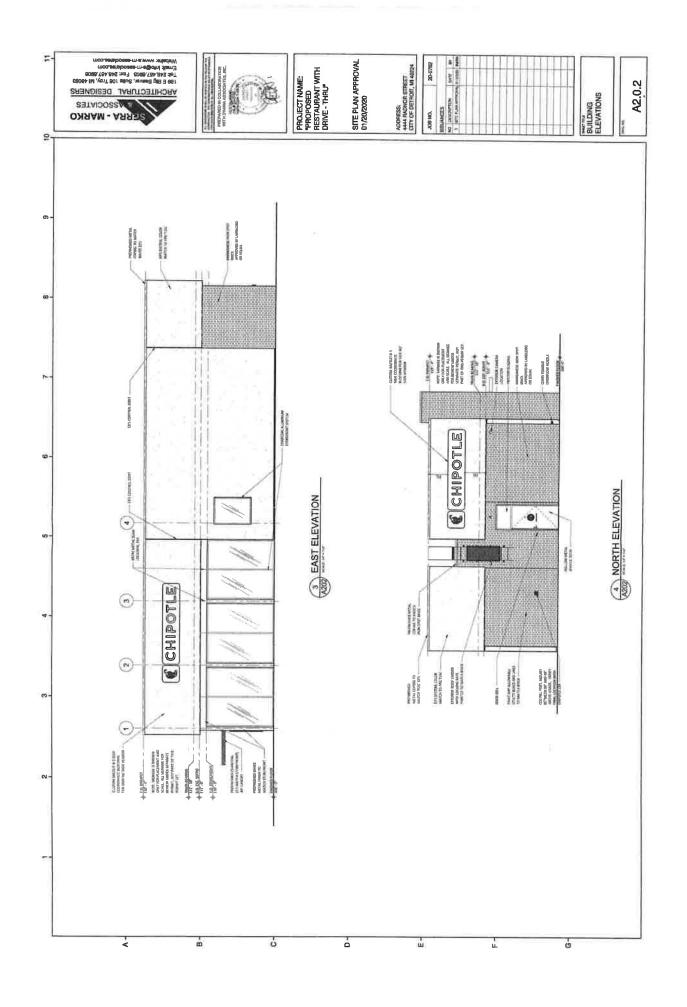
















P.O. Box 36696 Detroit, MI. 48236-0696

**Christopher Jackson** 

January 20, 2020

To: Mr. Jackson

Thank you for including Cornerstone Village as a stakeholder in the proposed Chipotle Restaurant at Mack Ave. and Radnor Rd., in Detroit.

The presentation was thorough and all questions and concerns were addressed with satisfaction.

The members of Cornerstone Village in attendance at the recent monthly meeting were enthusiastic of the Chipotle Restaurant plans.

Cornerstone Village welcomes the prospects of Chipotle Restaurant in our community.

Regards,

James Grenwick

President,

**Cornerstone Village Community Association, Inc.** 

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# EZ STORAGE 18145 Mack Ave Detroit, MI 48224

January 31,2020

To: City of Detroit City Council
City of Detroit Planning Commission

From: EZ Storage Mack Ave

As Stakeholders in the Mack Avenue Corridor we strongly support the proposed Chipotle restaurant proposed for Mack Avenue and Radnor. This represents yet another positive addition to the new commercial development along Mack Avenue.

We are proud to be a part of this exciting business and residential corridor and continue our investment in the area with our new development at 4849 Canyon and planned future mixed-use development at 18155 Mack Avenue.

Respectfully Submitted,

Stephen M. Nolan

EZ Storage Mack Ave

To whom it may concern,

We are the homeowners of 4480 Radnor St. We fully support the Chipotle establishment being built by our home. Right now the vacant home and church next to my home has been vacant for many years and we would love to see a change next to our home and for the neighborhood. I'm sure the community will also be very happy to have a Chipotle close by. We have talked with the investors of the property and they are open and willing to accommodate us to have the best outcome so everyone is happy.

Thank you,

Julian and Margie Goodman



January 24, 2020

Detroit City Planning Commission:

# LETTER IN SUPPORT OF VERUS DEVELOPMENT GROUP PROPOSED CHIPOTLE RESTAURANT

As an area resident/business, I respectfully request that you APPROVE the request from Verus Development Group to rezone the two proposed properties from R-1 to PD for the proposed Chipotle Development.

We have met with the developers and they have been responsive to our questions and concerns. We appreciate Chipotle's commitment to locate a restaurant in Detroit. The current properties are vacant buildings.

We support having another viable, taxpaying business locate along the Mack Avenue corridor. The Chipotle will encourage other development and create employment opportunities for the community.

Jeffery R. Laethem, President Ray Laethem Motor Village GPVG, LLC

18051 Mack Ave

Detroit, MI

January 31, 2020

Detroit City Planning Commission:

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As a neighbor to the referenced development we respectfully request that you APPROVE the request from Verus Development Group to rezone the two proposed properties from R-1 to PD for the proposed Chipotle Development. We appreciate Chipotle's commitment to locate a restaurant in Detroit. The current properties are vacant buildings. We support having another viable business located along the Mack Avenue corridor. The Chipotle will encourage other development and create employment opportunities for the community.

Frank Arcori,



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TO:

Mr. Marcell Todd, Legislative Policy Division

FROM:

Karen Gage, Planning and Development

RE:

Master Plan Interpretation for Rezoning

DATE:

February 3, 2020

CC:

Katharine Trudeau, Deputy Director, Planning and Development (PDD)

Esther Yang, Director, Urban Research/Outreach

Greg Moots, PDD Zoning and Innovation

RE: Mast

Dear Mr. Todd:

Master Plan of Policies review of request to rezone property at 4444 and 4470 Radnor

Pursuant to the City of Detroit's City Charter (Sections 6-202 and 6-204), the Planning and Development Department's (P&DD) Planning Division submits the following review of the proposed Rezoning.

The proposed map amendment is at the request of Verus Development to rezone two properties from R1 (Single Family Residential) to either the PD (Planned Development) or B4 (General Commercial) zoning classification to allow for the construction of a fast food restaurant with drive-through.

#### Location

The property is located at the northeast corner of Radnor Street and Mack Avenue.

#### **Existing Site Information**

The site presently contains a church on 4444 Radnor and a single-family home on 4470 Radnor. Both would be removed under the proposed development.

# **Surrounding Site Information**

Property to the west along Mack Avenue is zoned PD and is developed with a fast food restaurant with a drive-thru. North of the restaurant, across from the subject site, is zoned R1 and developed with single-family homes. To the east is zoned PD and is developed with a self-storage building. To the north is also zoned R1 and developed with single-family homes. Across Mack Avenue is the City of Grosse Point.

#### **Project Proposal**

The existing buildings are proposed to be demolished and replaced with a single-story fast food restaurant with drive-thru. A new curb-cut is proposed on Radnor Street, in addition to the existing one on Mack Avenue.

# Interpretation

#### Impact on Surrounding Land Use

There are commercial developments to the east and west. The use would likely impact the home to the north more than the current religious use does.



# Impact on Transportation

2 DDoT routes serve the site via Mack Avenue, which is designated as a "Major Street" in the Master Plan. The new curb cut is roughly across from the one on the west side of the street.

# **Master Plan Interpretation**

The Future General Land Use designation of the site is "CN" (Neighborhood Commercial). These districts generally consist of a large collection of contiguous storefronts along a street or streets. This commercial type is pedestrian-oriented with wide sidewalks and landscaping. Parking should be located on the street, in structures (with ground floor retail), at the rear of commercial establishments or in concentrated nodes at the periphery of the area.

The replacement of the existing church with a commercial use is not anticipated to significantly change the overall character of the commercially-designated area. There are commercial uses on each side of the subject site. The Mack Avenue frontage is designated as CN for several blocks in each direction. The rezoning would also include one parcel designated as "Low Density Residential" in the Master Plan. This small expansion of the commercial uses at the edge of the larger residential area again is not anticipated to significantly change the overall character of the area. The proposed rezoning conforms to the Future General Land Use designation of the area.

Respectfully Submitted,

**Gregory Moots** 

Planning and Development Department

# **Attachments**

Future General Land Use Map: Map 3-4A, Neighborhood Cluster 3, Finney neighborhood.



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February 28, 2020

**Detroit City Council** Coleman A. Young Municipal Center 2 Woodward Ave., Suite 1340 Detroit, MI 48226

Request to Transfer Obsolete Property Rehabilitation Certificate 3-11-0034 on behalf of Re: SB 487 Prentis, LLC in the area of 487 Prentis Street, Detroit, Michigan, in accordance with Public Act 146 of 2000 (Related to Petition #1095).

Honorable City Council:

The Housing and Revitalization Department and Finance Departments have reviewed the application of SB 487 Prentis, LLC and find that it satisfies the criteria set forth by P.A. 146 of 2000 and would be consistent with development and economic goals of the Master Plan.

Public Act 146 of 2000 states that the legislative body of the qualified local governmental unit, may transfer and assign the holder of the certificate to a new owner of the rehabilitated facility. We request that a City Council approve the transfer application for SB 487 Prentis, LLC. Attached for your consideration, please find a resolution approving said transfer.

Respectfully submitted,

Donald Rencher

Director

DR/vf

cc:

S. Washington, Mayor's Office

K. Trudeau, P&DD

D. Rencher, HRD

V. Farley, HRD

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WHEREAS, pursuant to Public Act No. 146 of 2000 ("the Act") this City Council may adopt resolution approving the transfer application of an Obsolete Property Rehabilitation Exemption Certificate by new owner of a rehabilitate facility within the boundaries of the City of Detroit; and

WHEREAS, Brentwood Detroit, LLC was the original owner of the property located at 487 Prentis, Detroit, MI; and

WHEREAS, this City Council approved the application of Brentwood Detroit, LLC for an Obsolete Property Rehabilitation Exemption Certificate (Certificate no. 3-11-0034); and

WHEREAS, the new owner of the rehabilitated facility is SB 487 Prentis, LLC.

## NOW THEREFORE BE IT

**RESOLVED**, That it is hereby found and determined that the Applicant has complied with the requirements of the Act; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the application of SB 487 Prentis, LLC for the transfer of an Obsolete Property Rehabilitation Exemption Certificate (Certificate no. 3-11-0034), is hereby approved with the certificate expiring December 30, 2024, in accordance with the provisions of the Act; and be it finally

**RESOLVED,** That the City Clerk shall forward said application to the Michigan State Tax Commission as provided by the Act.

# City of Detroit

Jamice M. Winfrey City Clerk

OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

Andre P. Gilbert II Deputy City Clerk

# DEPARTMENTAL REFERENCE COMMUNICATION

Friday, February 14, 2020

To:

The Department or Commission Listed Below

From:

Janice M. Winfrey, Detroit City Clerk

# **AMENDMENT**

Herewith, the following referral is a copy of Petition 1095

HOUSING AND REVITALIZATION LAW DEPARTMENT LEGISLATIVE POLICY DIVISION PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

sb 487 Prentis, LLC, request for Transfer of Obsolete Property Certificate No. 3-11-0034 for property located at 487 Prentis Street.

NOTE:

Attached please find additional documentation for the above mentioned petition.

PETITIONER IS AMENDING PETITION DUE TO:

Change of Petitioner Name. See attached.

Please provide the City Council with a report relative to this petition within four (4) weeks. Thanking you in advance.

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# February 14, 2020

City of Detroit – Office of the City Clerk Janice M. Winfrey, City Clerk Coleman A. Young Municipal Center 2 Woodward Ave, Suite 200 Detroit, MI 48226

Re: Transfer Request for Obsolete Property Rehabilitation Exemption Certificate SB 487 Prentis, LLC
For Real property Located at 487 Prentis

Dear Ms. Winfrey:

SB 487 Prentis, LLC is requesting the transfer of Obsolete Property Certificate No. 3-11-0034 for the real property located at 487 Prentis, City of Detroit, Wayne County, State of Michigan and purchased by SB 487 Prentis, LLC.

Please find enclosed the following:

- 1. Departmental Reference Communication for Petition Number 1095
- 2. Application for Obsolete Property Rehabilitation Exemption Certificate
- 3. Application Attachment Responses for SB 487 Prentis, LLC
- 4. Application Legal Description
- 5. Purchase Agreement for 487 Prentis Street and all amendments thereto
- 6. Assignment Agreement

Please do not hesitate to contact per my information below with any questions. We appreciate your assistance in this matter. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Joshua T. Shillair, Esq., (P72674) Vice President Tax Appeal | Detroit

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September 17, 2019

City of Detroit – Office of the City Clerk Janice M. Winfrey, City Clerk Coleman A. Young Municipal Center 2 Woodward Ave, Suite 200 Detroit, MI 48226

Re: Transfer Request for Obsolete Property Rehabilitation Exemption Certificate No. 3-11-0034

Dear Ms. Winfrey:

My client, Sturgeon Bay Holding Company, LLC, is purchasing real estate in the City of Detroit with the following legal description (hereinafter the Subject Property):

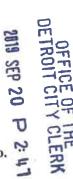
Land in the City of Detroit, County of Wayne, State of Michigan, more particularly described as:

The West 33 feet of Lot 10, all of Lot 11, and the East 16 feet of Lot 12, Block 99 – Cass Farm Subdivision, as recorded in Liber 1, Page 272, Wayne County Records.

Commonly known as: 487 Prentis Street Tax ID Number: Ward 02; Item 000907-8

The Subject Property is covered by the Obsolete Property Rehabilitation Exemption Certificate No. 3-11-0034. Please find attached a copy of this certificate and the related Obsolete Property Rehabilitation Exemption Certificate Agreement. The seller, Brentwood Detroit, LLC, is transferring the rights and obligation of this certificate to my client pursuant to MCL 125.2792 and Paragraph 13 of the Obsolete Property Rehabilitation Exemption Certificate Agreement for this certificate.

The Subject Property is a 38 unit multi-family apartment building that is currently 95% occupied by residential tenants. At the time of transfer of the Subject Property, 37 of the 38 units will be leased. Sturgeon Bay Holding Company, LLC intends to maintain the current tenancy following purchase. If any tenants leave the Subject Property, Sturgeon Bay Holding Company, LLC intends to re-lease those units to new residential tenants. Sturgeon Bay Holding Company, LLC intends to improve the Subject Property by upgrading the unit bathrooms.





Please assign a petition number and begin the transfer process in your usual course. Please do not hesitate to contact per my information below with any questions. We appreciate your assistance in this matter. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Joshua T. Shillair, Esq., (P72674) Vice President Tax Appeal | Detroit

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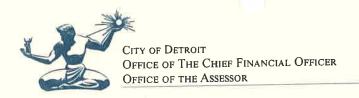
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1095 Petition of Sturgeon Bay Holding Company, LLC, request for Transfer of Obsolete Property Certificate No. 3-11-0034 for property located at 487 Prentis Street.

REFERRED TO THE FOLLOWING DEPARTMENT(S)

HOUSING AND REVITALIZATION LAW DEPARTMENT LEGISLATIVE POLICY DIVISION PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT



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February 20, 2020

Katharine G. Trudeau, Deputy Director Planning & Development Department Coleman A. Young Municipal Center 2 Woodward Ave, Suite 808 Detroit, MI 48226

RE: Obsolete Property Rehabilitation Certificate 3-11-0034 Transfer Request - SB 487 Prentis LLC

Property Address: 487 Prentis

Parcel Numbers: 02000910., 23031100.34F, 23031100.34N

Dear Ms. Trudeau:

The Office of the Chief Financial Officer, Office of the Assessor, has reviewed the request to transfer Obsolete Property Rehabilitation Certificate 3-11-0034 expiring on 12/30/2023 from **Brentwood Detroit LLC** to **SB 487 Prentis LLC** for the property located at **487 Prentis.** 

A certificate may be transferred and assigned by the holder of the certificate to a new owner of the rehabilitated facility if the qualified local governmental unit approves the transfer after application by the new owner.

A review of the request for the transfer of the Obsolete Property Rehabilitation Certificate to **SB 487 Prentis LLC** indicates that the project located at **487 Prentis** is eligible as it pertains to the Obsolete Property Rehabilitation Act, PA 146 of 2000, as amended.

Sincerely,

Charles Ericson, MMAO Assessor, Board of Assessors

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# STATE OF MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY LANSING

RICK SNYDER GOVERNOR ANDY DILLON STATE TREASURER

February 15, 2012

Marc Berger Brentwood Detroit, LLC 5454 Russell St. Detroit, MI 48211

Dear Sir or Madam:

The State Tax Commission at their December 20, 2011 meeting considered and approved your application for an obsolete property rehabilitation project, in accordance with Public Act 146 of 2000, as amended. Enclosed is certificate number 3-11-0034, issued to Brentwood Detroit, LLC for the project located at 487 Prentis, City of Detroit, Wayne County.

If you have any questions regarding this exemption please contact the Property Services Division at (517) 373-2408.

Sincerely,

Kelli Sobel, Executive Secretary

State Tax Commission

Enclosure
By Certified Mail

cc: Linda M. Bade, Assessor, City of Detroit

Clerk, City of Detroit



# Obsolete Property Rehabilitation Exemption Certificate

Certificate No. 3-11-0034

Pursuant to the provisions of Public Act 146 of 2000, as amended, the State Tax Commission hereby issues an Obsolete Property Rehabilitation Exemption Certificate for the commercial property, as described in the approved application, owned by **Brentwood Detroit**, **LLC**, and located at **487 Prentis**, **City of Detroit**, County of Wayne, Michigan.

This certificate provides the authority for the assessor to exempt the commercial property for which this Obsolete Property Rehabilitation Exemption Certificate is in effect, but not the land on which the rehabilitated facility is located or the personal property, from ad valorem taxation. This certificate further provides the authority to levy a specific tax known as the Obsolete Properties tax.

This certificate, unless revoked as provided by Public Act 146 of 2000, as amended, shall remain in force for a period of 12 year(s);

Beginning December 31, 2011, and ending December 30, 2024.

The real property investment amount for this obsolete facility is \$1,200,000.

The frozen taxable value of the real property related to this certificate is \$86,908.

The State Treasurer has excluded from the specific tax one-half of the mills levied for local school operating purposes and one-half of the state education tax to be levied for this certificate for a period of six years, beginning December 31, 2011 and ending December 30, 2017.

This Obsolete Property Rehabilitation Exemption Certificate is issued on .

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Douglas B. Roberts, Chairperson State Tax Commission

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A TRUE COPY ATTEST:

Heather Cole Michigan Department of Treasury





MARY SHEFFIELD
COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE
DISTRICT 5

# M EMORANDUM

TO: David Whitaker, Director, Legislative Policy Division

FROM: Council President Pro Tempore Mary Sheffield, Chair, Neighborhoods and

Community Services Committee

THRU: James Tate, Chair, Planning and Economic Development Committee

**DATE:** February 28, 2020

**RE:** CDBG Section 3 Demolition Compliance

Please answer the following questions regarding CDBG Section 3 Compliance:

- For contractors using CDBG funding for demolitions, how is Section 3 compliance being monitored? Please list all contractors using Section 3 funds.
- How many contractors have hit the Section 3 hiring threshold?
- Please implement a point or ranking system for Section 3 contractors who have achieved certain hiring thresholds?
- Please ensure that all future Teeter reports include contractor Section 3 hiring compliance records.

Please contact Ari Ruttenberg at 313-224-4505 if you have any questions.

Cc: Honorable Colleagues
Hon. Janice Winfrey, City Clerk