MEMORANDUM



TO: CITY OF NOVI PLANNING COMMISSION

FROM: SRI RAVALI KOMARAGIRI, PLANNER

THROUGH: BARBARA MCBETH, AICP, CITY PLANNER

SUBJECT: JSP 17-37 ARMENIAN CHURCH AND CULTURAL

CENTER: PRELIMINARY SITE PLAN EXTENSION

DATE: OCTOBER 11, 2019

The subject property is located in section 12, on the north side of Twelve Mile Road and east of Meadowbrook Road, in residential acreage (RA) zoning district. The applicant has received Preliminary Site Plan approval for a church and a cultural center with accessory uses such as multipurpose hall, café, religious educational rooms, Armenian genocide memorial and recreational facility. The applicant is proposing to construct in three phases. The project area is approximately 19.30 acres. A Special Land Use Permit is required to permit Places of Worship and a daycare in residential districts. All site work is proposed to be completed in one phase and the building will be completed in multiple phases.

Planning Commission held a public hearing and approved the Preliminary Site Plan, Special Land Use, Phasing plan, wetland permit, woodland permit and storm water management plan at the October 11, 2018 meeting. This approval is valid for two years.

The applicant has received tentative final site plan approval and has submitted final stamping sets for final site plan approval. Final signatures are on hold due to a sanitary sewer permit that is required to be approved by MDEGLE (Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy).

The applicant is requesting a one-year extension of Preliminary Site Plan approval till October 11, 2020, as they are not yet ready to commence construction on the development and the planned start is now in 2020. The Zoning Ordinance allows for three, one-year extensions of Preliminary and Final Site Plan approvals.

At this time, the Planning staff is not aware of any changes to the ordinances, or surrounding land uses, which would affect the approval of the requested extension for one year. Approval of the extension of Preliminary Site Plan and Special Land Use is **recommended**.

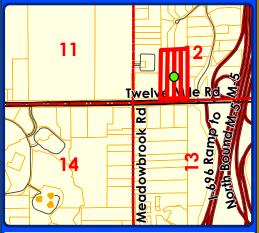
Following list of items that are attached to this memo:

- 1. Letter of request for extension dated October 11, 2019 from Raffi Ourlian, Chairman, Armenian Community Center
- 2. A copy of approved Preliminary site plan. Preliminary site plan approval included a day care use. The applicant is no longer proposing a daycare.
- 3. Action Summary from October 11, 2017 Planning Commission meeting
- 4. Minutes from October 11, 2017 Planning Commission meeting

MAPS Location Zoning Future Land Use **Natural Features**

17-37 Armenian Church and Cultural Center Location





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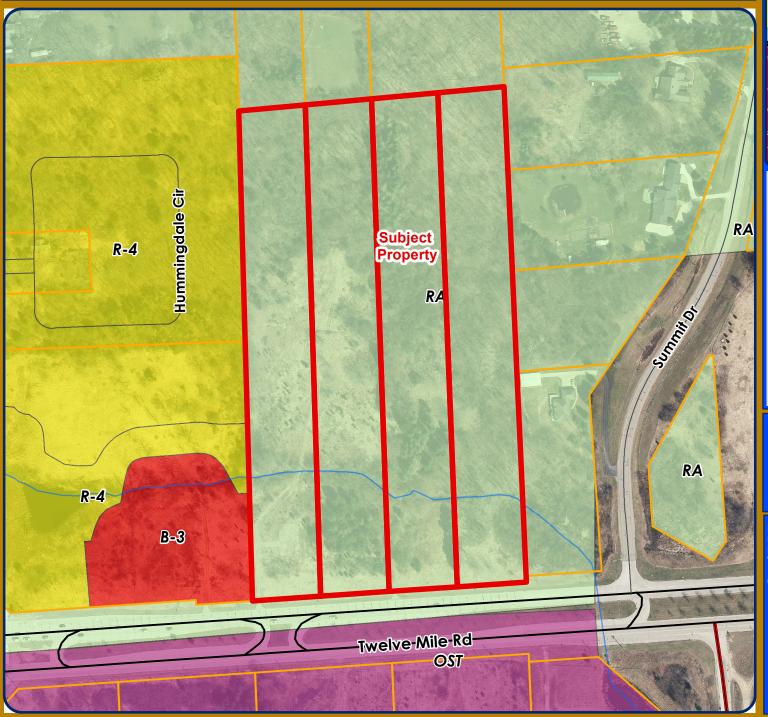


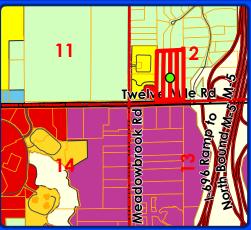
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17-37 Armenian Church and Cultural Center Zoning





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Sections

R-A: Residential Acreage

R-4: One-Family Residential District

RM-1: Low-Density Multiple Family

B-3: General Business District

OS-1: Office Service District

OST: Office Service Technology

RC: Regional Center District



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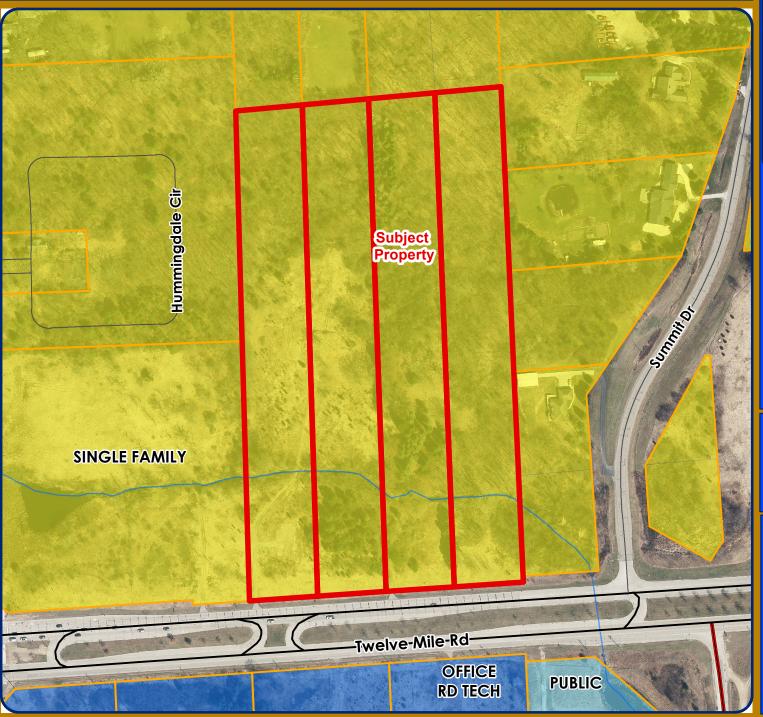


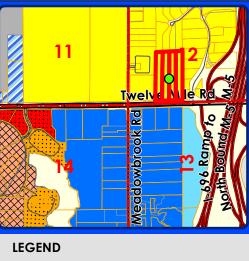
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17-37 Armenian Church and Cultural Center **Future Land Use**







FUTURE LAND USE

Single Family

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Community Office

Office RD Tech

Regional Commercial

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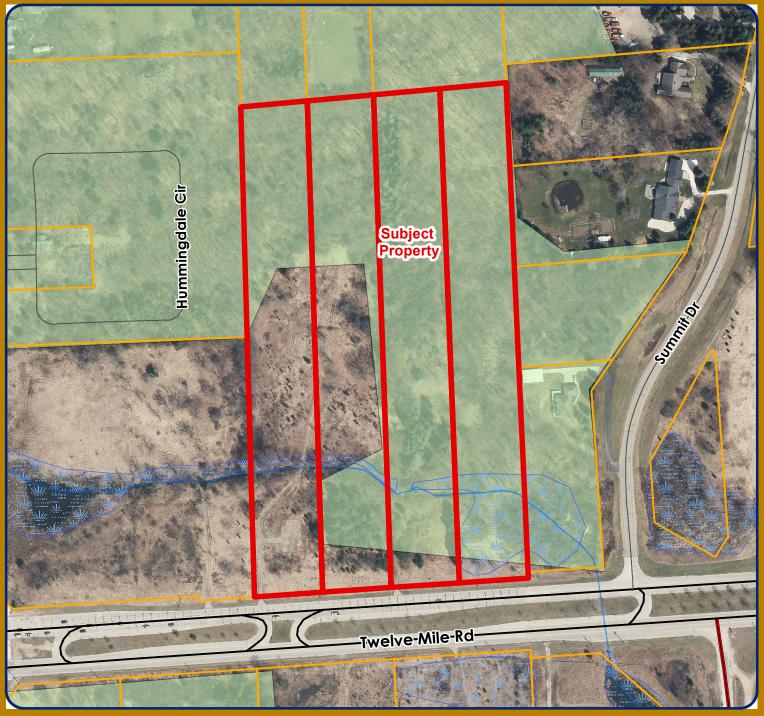
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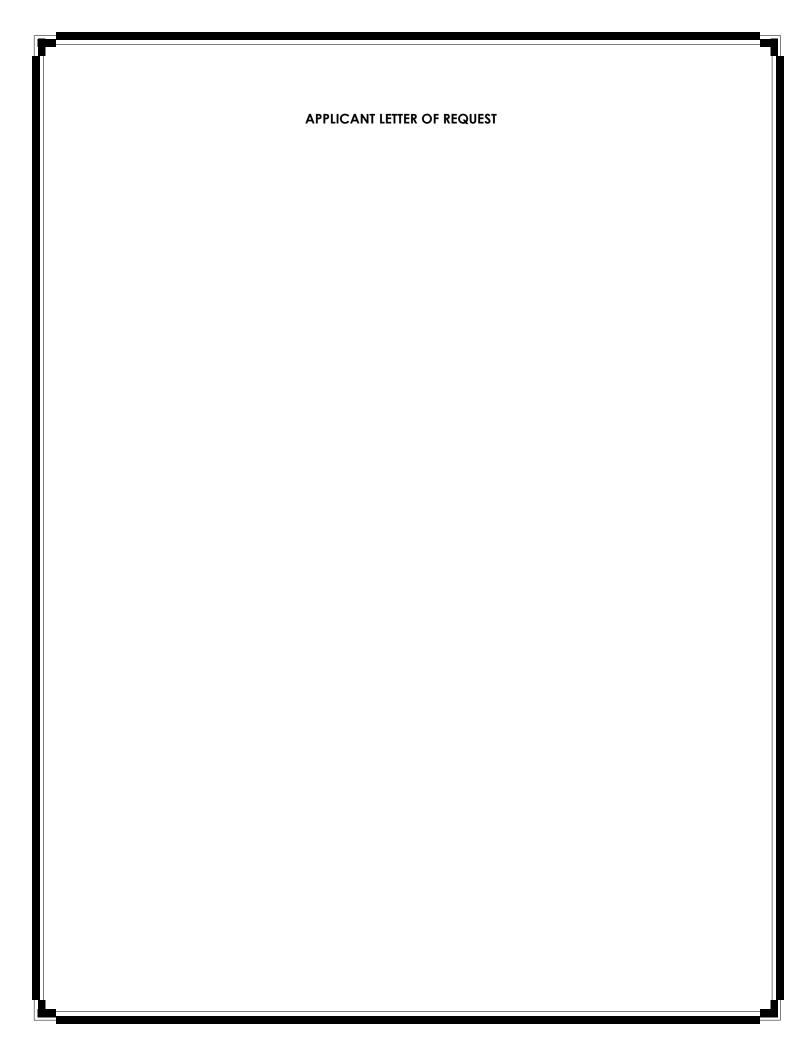
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Armenian Community Center of Greater Detroit

19310 Ford Rd, Dearborn, MI 48128 Phone: 313-336-6840, e-mail: accdetroit@yahoo.com

October 11, 2019

Barbara E. McBeth City Planner City of Novi 45175 W. Ten Mile Road Novi, Michigan 48375

Re: Armenian Church and Cultural Center (City File No. JSP 17-0037)

Please accept this letter as our formal request for the referenced development for a period of one (1) year, pursuant to Section 6.1.7 of the City of Novi Zoning Ordinance. We are not yet ready to commence construction on the development and the planned start is now in 2020

Please let me know if you may require any additional information in order to consider our request for an extension to the Final Site Plan.

If you have any questions, I can be reached at 248/790-5964.

Kindest Regards,

Raffi Ourlian

Chairman, Armenian Community Center

SITE PLAN (Full plan set available for viewing at the Community Development Department.)

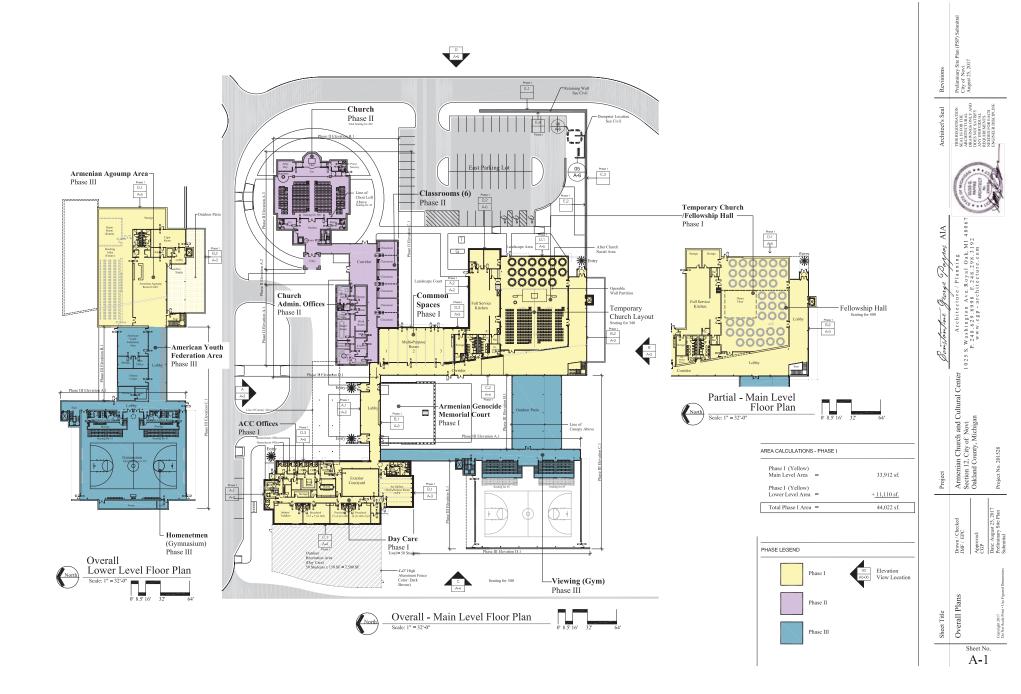
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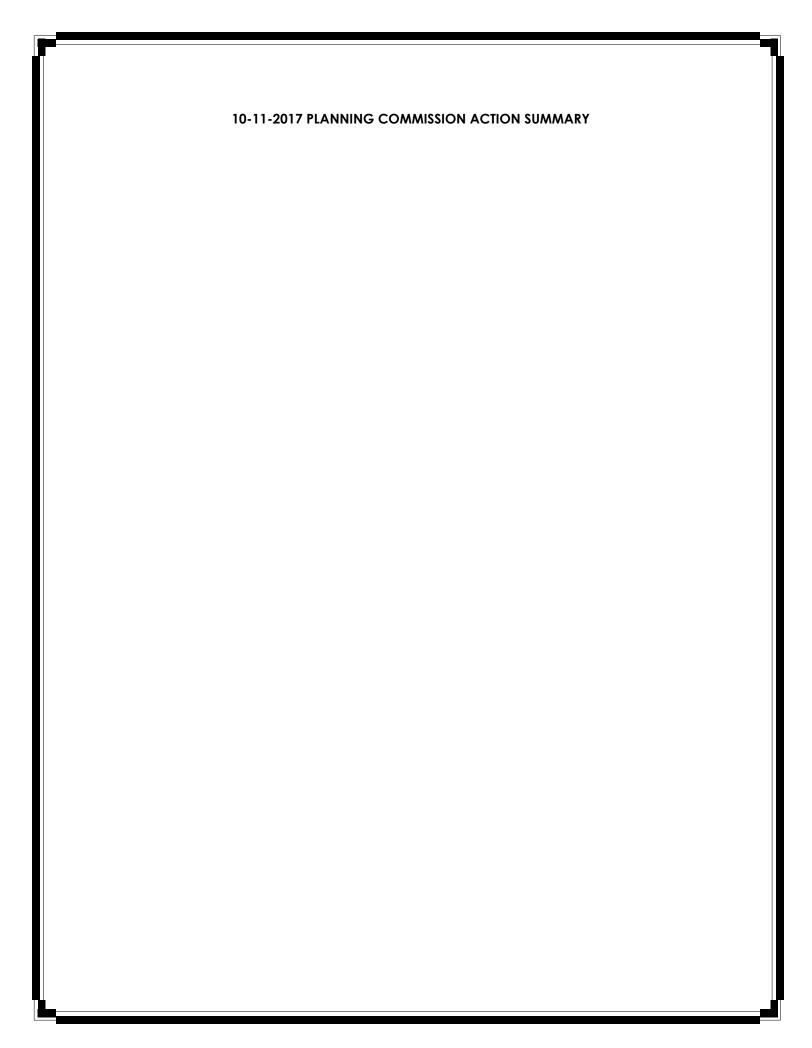
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PLANNING COMMISSION ACTION SUMMARY

CITY OF NOVI Regular Meeting

OCTOBER 11, 2017 7:00 PM

Council Chambers | Novi Civic Center 45175 W. Ten Mile (248) 347-0475

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM.

ROLL CALL

Present: Member Anthony, Member Avdoulos Member Greco, Member Lynch, Chair Pehrson

Absent: Member Zuchlewski (excused)

Also Present: Barbara McBeth, City Planner; Sri Komaragiri, Planner; Rick Meader, Landscape

Architect; Darcy Rechtien, Staff Engineer; Tom Schultz, City Attorney

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion to approve the October 11, 2017 Planning Commission Agenda. Motion carried 5-0.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. NOVI VETERINARY CLINIC EXPANSION JSP 17-42

Public hearing at the request of Novi Veterinary Clinic, JSP 17-64 for Special Land Use approval, to allow for the expansion of the existing Veterinary Clinic within the same building. The subject property is located in Section 23, at the southeast corner of Grand River Avenue and Novi Road, in the TC-1, Town Center District. The applicant is proposing to expand the existing use from approximately 2000 square feet to approximately 3488 square feet. No exterior or site changes are proposed at this time.

In the matter of Novi Veterinary Clinic, JSP 17-64, motion to approve the Special Land Use Permit based on the following findings relative to other feasible uses of the site:

- a. The proposed use will not cause any detrimental impact on existing thoroughfares (since the retail building is existing and the proposed use is not expected to generate traffic greater than previous tenants);
- b. The proposed use will not cause any detrimental impact on the capabilities of public services and facilities (the expansion is within an existing building);
- c. The proposed use is compatible with the natural features and characteristics of the land (the proposed expansion will not impact natural features or other characteristics of the existing retail building);
- d. The proposed use is compatible with adjacent uses of land (the use is existing and the surrounding uses are compatible with the current use);
- e. The proposed use is consistent with the goals, objectives and recommendations of the City's Master Plan for Land Use (fulfills the stated objective to retain and support the growth of existing businesses and attract new businesses to the City of Novi);
- f. The proposed use will promote the use of land in a socially and economically desirable manner (the expansion of the existing clinic will benefit the existing business and its customers);
- g. The proposed use is (1) listed among the provision of uses requiring special land use review as set forth in the various zoning districts of this Ordinance, and (2) is in harmony with the purposes and conforms to the applicable site design regulations of the zoning district in which it is located; and
- h. Approval of the waiver of the required Noise Impact Statement since no outside activities or

noise-making equipment is being proposed, which is hereby granted.

This motion is made because the plan is otherwise in compliance with Article 3.1.5, Article 4, Article 5, and Article 6 of the Zoning Ordinance and all other applicable provisions of the Ordinance. *Motion carried 5-0.*

2. BECK NORTH UNIT 54 JSP 16-36

Public hearing at the request of Dembs Development, Inc. for Special Land Use, Preliminary Site Plan, Woodland Permit, and Stormwater Management Plan approval. The subject parcel is located in Section 4 east of Nadlan Drive and north of West Road. It is approximately 5.02 acres and zoned I-1 (Light Industrial). The applicant is proposing to build a 67,000 square foot speculative building in the Beck North Corporate Park with associated site improvements.

In the matter of Beck North Unit 54 JSP16-36, motion to approve the <u>Special Land Use Permit</u> based on and subject to the following:

- a. The proposed use will not cause any detrimental impact on existing thoroughfares (based on Traffic Consultant review letter and updated traffic study to be provided);
- b. The proposed use will not cause any detrimental impact on the capabilities of public services and facilities (as this area was already planned for development);
- c. The proposed use is compatible with the natural features and characteristics of the land (because the plan has minor impacts on existing natural features, will provide additional evergreen plantings, and a 50 foot conservation easement along the east parcel line);
- d. The proposed use is compatible with adjacent uses of land (because the proposed use conforms to the standards of the district and requirements for light industrial);
- e. The proposed use is consistent with the goals, objectives, and recommendations of the City's Master Plan for Land Use (make sure that light industrial and residential developments are compatible when located adjacent to each other AND ensure that Novi continues to be a desirable place for business investment);
- f. The proposed use will promote the use of land in a socially and economically desirable manner (as the proposed use will be in the planned corporate park);
- g. The proposed use is (1) listed among the provision of uses requiring special land use review as set forth in the various zoning districts of this Ordinance, and (2) is in harmony with the purposes and conforms to the applicable site design regulations of the zoning district in which it is located; and
- h. Landscape waiver from Section 5.5.3.B.ii for lack of a 10-15 foot landscaped berm along the east property line adjacent to the residential district, which is hereby granted, for the following reasons:
 - i. There is a 50 foot woodland area between the proposed use and the adjacent residential areas,
 - ii. The applicant shall provide a six foot tall screen wall (as measured from the top of pavement) and a heavily screened landscape buffer along the southeast corner of the site.
 - iii. The applicant shall provide a 50 foot conservation easement along the east property line of their parcel, and
 - iv. The applicant shall provide additional evergreen plantings as determined at time of Final Site Plan by staff and consultants;
- i. Landscape waiver for use of evergreen species for greater than 25 percent of perimeter parking lot trees, which is hereby granted; and
- j. Landscape waiver from the Landscape Design Manual Section 1.d(2) for reduction in industrial subdivision landscaping as required along the industrial drive frontage (16 trees required; 9 provided), which is hereby granted.

This motion is made because the plan is otherwise in compliance with Article 3, Article 4, Article 5, and Article 6 of the Zoning Ordinance and all other applicable provisions of the Ordinance. *Motion carried 5-0.*

In the matter of Beck North Unit 54 JSP16-36, motion to approve the <u>Preliminary Site Plan</u> based on and subject to the following:

a. Applicant to revise the landscape plan and the woodland replacement counts to address the conditions set forth in the existing conservation easement agreement, which was

- approved by Council on January 28, 2010;
- Same-side, opposite-side driveway spacing waiver from Section 11-216.D of the City of Novi Code of Ordinances to permit less distance between entrances on Nadlan Drive where a minimum of 105 feet is required, which is hereby granted;
- c. A section 9 waiver for exceeding the maximum allowed amount for Concrete Masonry Units (75% maximum, 94% on east and 96% on north façade provided), which is hereby granted;
- d. Applicant shall provide Traffic Impact Assessment update with Final Site Plan submittal;
- e. Zoning Board of Appeals variance for exceeding the maximum building height: 29 feet 4 inches proposed, 25 feet permitted, as approved on October 10, 2017 Zoning Board of Appeals meeting; and
- f. The findings of compliance with Ordinance standards in the staff and consultant review letters and the conditions and the items listed in those letters being addressed on the Final Site Plan.

This motion is made because the plan is otherwise in compliance with Article 3, Article 4, and Article 5 of the Zoning Ordinance and all other applicable provisions of the Ordinance. *Motion carried 5-0.*

In the matter of Beck North Unit 54 JSP16-36, motion to approve the Woodland Permit based on and subject to the findings of compliance with Ordinance standards in the staff and consultant review letters, and the conditions and items listed in those letters being addressed on the Final Site Plan. This motion is made because the plan is otherwise in compliance with Chapter 37 of the Code of Ordinances and all other applicable provisions of the Ordinance. *Motion carried 5-0*.

In the matter of Beck North Unit 54 JSP16-36, motion to approve the Stormwater Management Plan based on and subject to the findings of compliance with Ordinance standards in the staff and consultant review letters, and the conditions and items listed in those letters being addressed on the Final Site Plan. This motion is made because the plan is otherwise in compliance with Chapter 11 of the Code of Ordinances and all other applicable provisions of the Ordinance. *Motion carried* 5-0.

3. ARMENIAN CHURCH AND CULTURAL CENTER JSP 17-37

Public hearing at the request of Armenian Cultural Center for Special Land Use, Preliminary Site Plan with Land bank Parking, Phasing Plan, Shared Parking Agreement, Wetland Permit, Woodland Permit, and Storm water Management plan approval. The subject property is located in section 12, on the north side of Twelve Mile Road and east of Meadowbrook Road, in residential acreage (RA) zoning district. The applicant is proposing a church and a cultural center with accessory uses such as day care center, multipurpose hall, café, religious educational rooms, Armenian genocide memorial and recreational facility. The applicant is proposing to construct in three phases. The project area comprising of four parcels is approximately 19.30 acres. A Special Land Use Permit is required to permit Places of Worship and a daycare in residential districts.

In the matter of Armenian Church and Cultural Center JSP17-37, motion to approve the Special Land Use Permit to allow a Place of Worship and daycare based on and subject to the following:

- a. The proposed use will not cause any detrimental impact on existing thoroughfares (based on review of the Traffic study);
- b. The proposed use will not cause any detrimental impact on the capabilities of public services and facilities (based on Engineering review);
- c. The proposed use is compatible with the natural features and characteristics of the land (because the plan has made an attempt to minimize impacts on existing natural features);
- d. The proposed use is compatible with adjacent uses of land (because the proposed use conforms to the standards of the district and the requirements of Places of Worship and a daycare);
- e. The proposed use is consistent with the goals, objectives, and recommendations of the City's Master Plan for Land Use (the project creates an aesthetically pleasing development, especially in residential areas);
- f. The proposed use will promote the use of land in a socially and economically desirable manner (as the proposed use will provide a service needed in the community);

- g. The proposed use is (1) listed among the provision of uses requiring special land use review as set forth in the various zoning districts of this Ordinance, and (2) is in harmony with the purposes and conforms to the applicable site design regulations of the zoning district in which it is located.
- h. The primary use of 'Church' or place of worship will be established prior to any other accessory uses proposed.
- k. A condition of this Special Land Use approval is that the proposed memorial structure and the proposed church will meet ordinance requirements, particularly for the height of the structure and building, otherwise the request will return to the Planning Commission for Special Land Use approval.

This motion is made because the plan is otherwise in compliance with Article 3, Article 4, Article 5, and Article 6 of the Zoning Ordinance and all other applicable provisions of the Ordinance. *Motion carried 5-0.*

In the matter of Armenian Church and Cultural Center JSP17-37, motion to approve the Preliminary Site Plan based on and subject to the following:

- a. Approval of up to 43 landbank parking (262 required, 219 provided, 43 land banked), based on the revised site plan submitted via e-mail on September 26, 2017, due to Planning Commissions finding below, which is hereby granted;
 - The applicant has demonstrated through substantial evidence that the specified occupant and building use will require less parking than what is required by the Zoning Ordinance;
 - ii. Parking will not occur on any street or driveway;
 - iii. Parking will not occur on any area not approved and developed for parking;
 - iv. Parking will not occur on that area where parking construction has been landbanked until such time as that area is constructed for such parking;
 - v. The requested parking landbanking will not create traffic or circulation problems on or off site; and
 - vi. The requested parking lankbanking will be consistent with the public health, safety and welfare of the City and the purposes of the Zoning Ordinance;
- Approval of Shared Parking agreement for the proposed church and other accessory uses proposed for all phases. It has determined that a minimum requirement of 262 spaces are required for the proposed uses, of which 20% of spaces can be land banked;
- c. Planning Commission waiver from Section 5.16 for proposing all required 10 spaces in one location, which is hereby granted;
- d. A Zoning Board of Appeals variance from Section 4.19.2.F for allowing the dumpster in the sideyard instead of the required rear yard;
- e. Landscape waiver from Section 5.5.3.B.ii for absence of required street trees along Twelve Mile frontage due to the presence of a gas line and gas line easement along the entire right-of-way frontage, which is hereby granted;
- f. Landscape waiver from Zoning Sec. 5.5.3.B.ii and iii for absence of required berm between the subject property and adjacent residential properties, if the applicant provides sufficient justification that the existing vegetation will provide sufficient screening, or addition of more screening vegetation is provided to form a dense screen in areas where the existing vegetation does not provide a sufficiently dense screen, which is hereby granted;
- g. Landscape waiver from Zoning Sec. 5.5.3.B.ii and iii for absence of berm along Twelve Mile frontage for portions of frontage with wetland, the natural hill or dense vegetation to be preserved between the road and the site, not for the 120 feet of frontage just west of the entry drive where none of those natural features exist, which is hereby granted;
- h. Landscape waiver from Section 5.5.3.C.iii footnote (5) for absence of access drives plantings within existing gas line easement, which is hereby granted;
- i. Landscape waiver from Section 5.5.3.C. (3) for exceeding the maximum 15 bay parking requirement, which is hereby granted;
- j. City Council Variance from Design and Construction Standards Manual for undetained runoff directed to Twelve Mile Road;
- k. The findings of compliance with Ordinance standards in the staff and consultant review letters and the conditions and the items listed in those letters being addressed on the Final Site Plan;

I. The genocide memorial and the church shall meet the ordinance standards, or shall return to the Planning Commission for approval.

This motion is made because the plan is otherwise in compliance with Article 3, Article 4, and Article 5 of the Zoning Ordinance and all other applicable provisions of the Ordinance. *Motion carried 5-0.*

In the matter of Armenian Church and Cultural Center JSP17-37 motion to approve the Phasing Plan based on and subject to the findings of compliance with Ordinance standards in the staff and consultant review letters, and the conditions and items listed in those letters being addressed on the Final Site Plan. This motion is made because the plan is otherwise in compliance with Article 3, Article 4 and Article 5 of the Zoning Ordinance and all other applicable provisions of the Ordinance. *Motion passes 5-0.*

In the matter of Armenian Church and Cultural Center JSP17-37, motion to approve the Wetland Permit based on and subject to the findings of compliance with Ordinance standards in the staff and consultant review letters, and the conditions and items listed in those letters being addressed on the Final Site Plan. This motion is made because the plan is otherwise in compliance with Chapter 12, Article V of the Code of Ordinances and all other applicable provisions of the Ordinance. *Motion carried 5-0*.

In the matter of Armenian Church and Cultural Center JSP17-37motion to approve the Woodland Permit based on and subject to the findings of compliance with Ordinance standards in the staff and consultant review letters, and the conditions and items listed in those letters being addressed on the Final Site Plan. This motion is made because the plan is otherwise in compliance with Chapter 37 of the Code of Ordinances and all other applicable provisions of the Ordinance. *Motion carried 5-0.*

In the matter of Armenian Church and Cultural Center JSP17-37, motion to approve the Stormwater Management Plan based on and subject to the findings of compliance with Ordinance standards in the staff and consultant review letters, and the conditions and items listed in those letters being addressed on the Final Site Plan. This motion is made because the plan is otherwise in compliance with Chapter 11 of the Code of Ordinances and all other applicable provisions of the Ordinance. *Motion carried 5-0.*

MATTERS FOR CONSIDERATION

1. PLANNING COMMISSION COMMITTEE VACANCIES

The Planning Commission assigned members to vacant positions on the Committees.

2. APPROVAL OF THE AUGUST 23, 2017 PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES

Motion to approve the August 23, 2017 Planning Commission Meeting minutes, as amended. *Motion carried 5-0.*

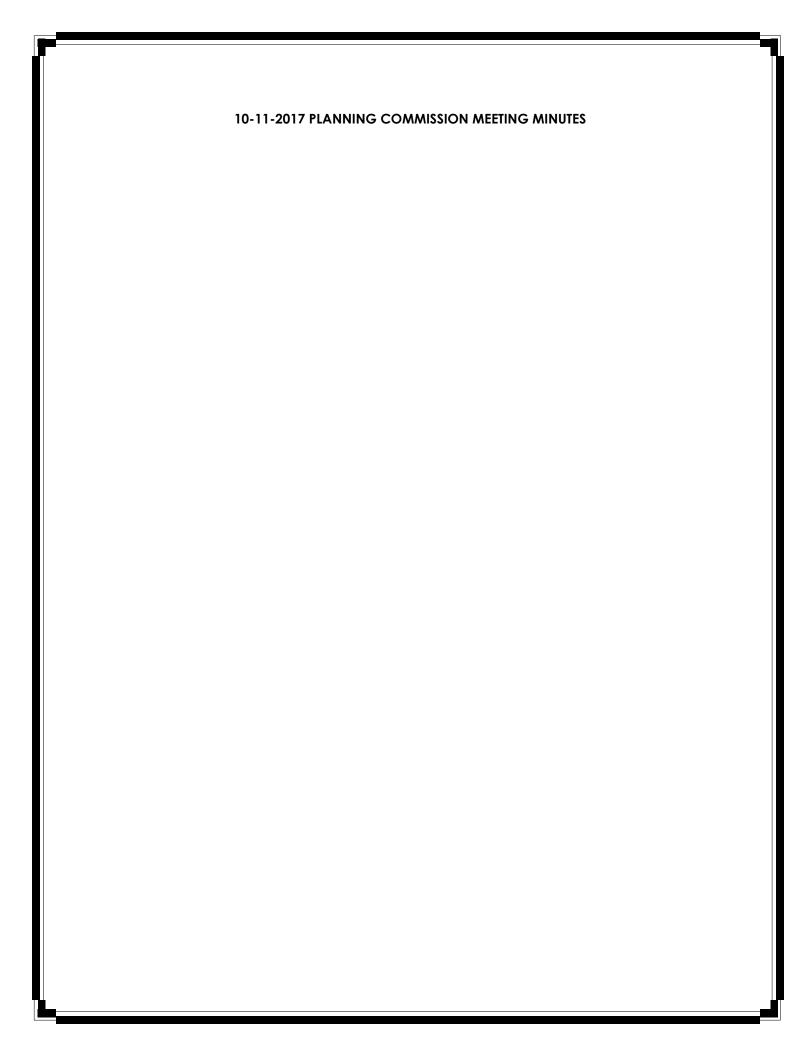
3. APPROVAL OF THE SEPTEMBER 13, 2017 PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES

Motion to approve the September 13, 2017 Planning Commission Meeting minutes. *Motion carried 5-0.*

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:55 P.M.

*Actual language of the motions subject to review.



REGULAR MEETING - PLANNING COMMISSION

CITY OF NOVI

October 11, 2017

Proceedings taken in the matter of the PLANNING COMMISSION, at City of Novi, 45175 West Ten Mile Road, Novi, Michigan, on Wednesday, October 11, 2017.

BOARD MEMBERS

Mark Pehrson, Chairperson

David Greco

Tony Anthony

John Avdoulos

Michael Lynch

ALSO PRESENT:

Barbara, McBeth, City Planner

Thomas Schultz, City Attorney

Rick Meader, Landscape Architect

Sri Komaragiri, Planner

Darcy Rechtien, Plan Review Engineer

Certified Shorthand Reporter, Diane Szach

Page 53 MR. AVDOULOS: Yes. 1 2 MS. KOMARAGIRI: Member Greco? 3 MR. GRECO: Yes. 4 MS. KOMARAGIRI: Member Lynch? 5 MR. LYNCH: Yes. 6 MS. KOMARAGIRI: Motion passes 5 to 7 0. 8 CHAIRPERSON PEHRSON: Thank you. 9 Next on the agenda is Item Number 3, the Armenian Church and Cultural Center JSP 10 11 17-37. It's a public hearing at the request of the Armenian Cultural Center for Special Land Use, 12 Preliminary Site Plan with Land Bank Parking, Phasing 13 Plan, Shared Parking Agreement, Wetland Permit, 14 Woodland Permit, and Stormwater Management plan 15 16 approval. The subject property is located in Section 12 on the north side of Twelve Mile Road and east of 17 Meadowbrook Road, in residential acreage RA zoning 18 district. The applicant is proposing a church and a 19 20 cultural center with accessory uses such as daycare 21 center, multipurpose hall, cafe, religious educational 22 rooms, Armenian genocide memorial and recreational 23 facility. The applicant is proposing to construct in

three phases. The project are comprising of four

parcels is approximately 19.30 ares. A Special Land

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Use Permit is required to permit Places of Worship and a daycare in residential districts.

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MS. KOMARAGIRI: Thank you. As mentioned, the applicant is proposing to develop the subject property to build a church and a cultural The property is located on the north side of Twelve Mile Road and east of Meadowbrook. The site is zoned Residential Acreage and is surrounded by an existing single-family development on east and north sides. It is zoned R-4 on the west and a single-family development is currently under construction in that location. Part of the property adjoining west is zoned B-3, General Business. Properties on the south are zoned Office Service and Technology and are currently vacant. All properties are indicated as similar uses as currently zoned on future land use map as well. The property has considerable regulated woodlands and wetlands on site.

The applicant is currently proposing to build the church and cultural center and some other accessory uses in three phases. The first phase includes a temporary church with 350 seats and some accessory uses such as kitchen, cafe, multipurpose halls and a daycare to serve a maximum of

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50 kids. An Armenian genocide memorial is also proposed to be built with the first phase. All parking will be built in Phase 1. A permanent church will be built in Phase 2 with 400 seats and some additional meeting rooms. Phase 3 proposes a recreational facility with 272 seats and some administrative office space.

The applicant has worked closely with staff and our traffic consultants in determining the minimum required parking for the proposed uses. Given the nature of uses, staff agreed with the applicant's findings for shared parking. determined that a total of 262 spaces would be required at minimum. The applicant proposes to land bank 45 spaces of the required 262. There was an error in the parking layout for land banking that was submitted initially. The applicant has since then provided a revised layout via email which addresses the discrepancy satisfactorily. Staff also recommended that the applicant revise the pedestrian connectivity from the site to property on south and to the public sidewalk along Twelve Mile Road. The applicant has agreed to provide the required access in areas along secondary emergency access to the south.

The applicant has been very proactive in

gathering public input from neighbors regarding this They've held three community open houses to project. address neighbors concerns. In response to the comments received from those meetings, the applicant has submitted a traffic impact statement. Traffic is in agreement with the findings. Planning Commission's approval is required for the proposed Special Land Use request for the proposed church which is a Place of Worship, and the daycare in a residential district. And it's also required to approve the phasing plan proposed, the shared parking agreement, and the land bank parking. The applicant is also seeking a minor waiver to allow all required 10 bike racks in one location instead of multiple locations.

The landscape plan mostly conforms to the code and requires a couple of landscape waivers as listed in the motion sheet. Landscape review supports all the waivers provided the applicant makes an attempt to reduce the extent of deviations as suggested in the review letter.

Site access would be provided by a new driveway entrance off of Twelve Mile Road with secondary emergency only access off of Twelve Mile Road towards the south. Stormwater would be collected by a sigle storm sewer collection and detained in a

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new on-site detention pond. The plans may require a City Council variance for undetained run-off directed to Twelve Mile if determined by staff at the time of the final site plan review.

A total of 980 trees are surveyed on site, of which a total of 461 trees, about 47 percent, are proposed to be removed. The Woodland Impact Plan notes that 146 credits are to be provided on site and 382 credits would be paid to the City fund.

The Townline Drain is located along the southern section of the project site and flows from west to east. There are surveyed wetlands along either side of the existing drain totaling approximately 0.66 acres in size. The current proposed wetland total impact is .09 acres. In addition to the wetland impacts, the Plan proposes disturbance to .35 acres of on-site 25-foot buffer area.

The applicant is proposing a right turn taper at the driveway on Twelve Mile. Based on the trip generation estimate provided, traffic determined that the trip generation estimates do not exceed the City's threshold.

The applicant was initially

requesting three deviations from Zoning Board of Appeals, one for the height of the church, which is to be constructed in Phase 2, one for the height of the genocide memorial which is supposed to be constructed in Phase 1, and one for proposing an uplight for the memorial, and another one for proposing dumpster in the side yard. Our facade consultant reviewed the detailed elevation provided for Phase 1 and conceptual for Phase 2. Staff was in full support for the deviations requested for the memorial height and had some minor concerns about lighting. However, upon internal discussion, the applicant has deferred the height variance requested for church at the time of Phase 2 approval process, and decided not to pursue the deviations related to the memorial at this time. Revised elevations that conform to the code will be submitted at the time of final site plan review for the genocide memorial. The applicant is currently not seeking any Section 9 waivers for Phase 1 building construction.

The applicant has submitted the required community impact statement and noise impact statement. The noise impact statement states that there will be six picnics with an estimated attendance of 200 to 400 people that will be held between 1:00

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p.m. to 7:00 p.m., and a three-day festival every year with an estimated attendance of 1,000 to 1,500 people per day that will be held from noon to 11:00 p.m. There will be music played at all events. The applicant has submitted a tentative event location and noted that the noise levels shall not exceed maximum decibel levels allowed.

All reviews are recommending approval with additional comments to be addressed with final site plan.

The Planning Commission is asked tonight to approve the Special Land Use, Preliminary Site Plan with Land Bank Parking, Phasing Plan, Shared Parking Agreement, Wetland Permit, Woodland permit, and Stormwater Management Plan. It's also asked to review the site plan based on the Special Land Use considerations and make a finding with regard to the noise impact statement provided.

The applicant Rafii Ourlian is here tonight with his architects Constantine Gus Pappas and Evans Caruso, and Engineer Julian Wargo and Landscape Architect Steve Deak.

We have our consultants Sterling
Fraser from Traffic and Doug Necci for Facade, along
with the staff to answer any questions you have for

us. Thank you.

CHAIRPERSON PEHRSON: Thank you,

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Does the applicant wish to address the Commission?

Thank you,

Mr. Chairman. My name is Constantine Pappas,
Architect for the Armenian Community Center. Sri,
thank you very much for the wonderful presentation.

MR. PAPPAS:

Again, I'd just like to introduce our design team. Evans Caruso from our office and Andy Wozniak from Zeimet Wozniak Civil Engineers, Steve Deak from Deak Planning and Landscape Consultants. As mentioned, Mr. Rafii Ourlian is here. He is the chairman of the Armenian Community Center, and treasurer of the Armenian Apostolic Church of America in New York City. And Hayg Oshagan is here, and he's the chairman of the Armenian Cultural Association of America, the eastern region, and is also co-chair of this entire project. They are here and they can answer any question that you have.

So we wanted to also mention we do have members of our community here as well. We wanted to indicate that we have at last count at least 90 families that live in the City of Novi. We didn't ask

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them to all be out here today. We said let's maybe limit who is out here, but many of them are here.

Let me just go through a few little of the items Sri had mentioned that I did want to mention. We tried to limit the amount of access along Twelve Mile Road as you can see. One way in. The second drive, which is on the southern area is primarily for fire as you see.

We wanted to maintain that landscape area that was to our parcel to the immediate west, we'll call it the Shapiro parcel. And we wanted to extend what was being planned in the Shapiro parcel all along our front. So therefore the drain would stay in its position. We don't want to disrupt that. There is a small little wetland area. We didn't want to disrupt that. We wanted to enhance anything along Twelve Mile Road.

A stormwater detention area is located just a little bit north of the drain, which is in that area, and will be used as a little bit of a --well, not a little bit, but a reflecting pond that reflects the whole complex as you're looking at it.

The whole complex is considerably placed far away from Twelve Mile Road. If I remember it's close to 400 some feet away. So therefore when you're

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driving I think along Twelve Mile Road, you'll get the impact of what was created in the Shapiro parcel all along that whole front area.

The building and the parking area have been placed as close to the middle of the site as possible. That's that one big open area that is There is quite a few wetlands and tremendous amount of topography on the site. In order to get everything to fit in, there is going to be some small topography changes, but I think Andy's office has done a great job trying to get everything to level itself out per se. But we tried to place the complex in the middle to be -- to minimize the impact along the residents who are located on the east and the west of the parcel. The ones that are located to the north of the parcel are quite a bit away. All that area in the back is quite solid dense woodland areas, and the topography is such that they are considerably higher, and the high point of the site is on the west end -excuse me, on the north end, and it slopes itself all the way down essentially to the drain. So by trying to minimize the impacts of where the buildings are at, the idea is try to minimize the amount of impact on the woodlands as well as the natural features.

I did want to mention that even

before we submitted for site plan approval, we conducted three meetings with the residents. So the first meeting was on the 26th of July, and the secondary meeting on August the 3rd. Then we also had a third meeting on September 13th. That meeting was used to explain to the residents everything that was submitted. So when we came into this project, it was extremely important for us to open up our arms and to explain to everybody who this building is going to impact. Let me tell you a few of the concerns that the residents had, and we listened I think pretty well. We tried as much as possible to try to attempt every one of these issues.

I have to tell you, at all these meetings we probably had less impacts about what we were going to do, but major impacts on what was approved at the corner of Meadowbrook and Twelve Mile Road. And in fact, just about all the residents who were there turned around and said, well, listen, we really don't have that much problem with yours, but we have a lot of problems with what was approved at Twelve Mile and Meadowbrook Road. Again, not our issue, but we're here to listen.

So traffic was a problem. Although the city had their own traffic study done, we went and

hired another traffic consultant, HRC. HRC has done quite a few traffic studies in Novi. They also did the traffic study for the Shapiro property right next door. They basically came up with the same findings that the city traffic engineer came up with. So therefore we wanted to make sure to tell the residents that we're not just going to take what the city says, we're more than willing to go out and spend that extra money to have an independent consultant come in and to verify or to make sure that whatever the traffic engineer said from Novi, they're basically saying the same thing.

Screening. Another thing was both screening of the parking and the entry drives. And because of the existing wetland and the actual existing topography, we provided extensive additional landscape screening primarily along the main entry drives, all along parking areas, all along the northern area, whatever is there, there is a tremendous amount of landscaping on this site. And even though our landscape architects tell us that we actually could put more, we've put a lot. And from what I can see, I think it's well, well screened, and I think it serves very, very well for the adjoining residents.

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The height of the building as was discussed or presented by Sri, we are not seeking any variances right now in Phase 1 with the exception of one item, and that item is moving the dumpster location from the rear yard into the eastern setback. Again, it's quite screened extensively all along that eastern side with not only a screen wall, but also at the same time landscaping. We are on the agenda in November for the ZBA relative to that item.

Lastly, the question from the residents, they had a concern about people who would be on this particular property actually walking onto their particular property, and one resident had asked, well, why don't we just put a screen or a fence completely around the property. But then again when you do that, because of the grades you're probably tearing out an incredible amount of trees, not only on the north, also on the east side in order to put in the fence. So we had mentioned to the residents that that really isn't really in our ability to do, but rather than the Planning Commission to hear out if you want to do that. We would recommend against it, but that's something that we thought we would bring to you.

The phasing, Sri had done a great

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job talking about it. I wanted everybody to realize that the concept of having Phase 1, which is we call it the fellowship hall or community room, that will be used as our temporary church until we have the ability to sell the church which they're currently located in Dearborn right now. The area is changing tremendously in Dearborn. Many of our people live in Novi, and what happens is less and less people are coming down into Dearborn. And once that gets sold, the church would be built in the second phase accordingly.

We are asking for a child care center of 50 people. That again is not just for our people, that's for the whole community, and that would be located as is shown in that little yellow area which is pointed on the drawings.

The last phase is the recreation center which would be in the right-hand corner right there. That's in blue. That would be in our third area.

And then one important feature is the Armenian Genocide Memorial right at this particular point. We're looking at possibly redesigning it, because of the height variance. It's extremely important for this cultural community to understand the atrocities that happened over 100 years

ago. So while everybody can understand the Nazi and the Holocaust tragedy that took place, everyone has to understand in 1914 to 1924 there were 1.5 million Armenians killed during that time, 250,000 Greeks killed at that time. So this is something that we're not hiding, we want everybody to know about it, and it's being placed in the middle of courtyard so it's the first thing that you see as you come in, and literally walk around one side, which is the educational recreational area, and then the educational areas and the church on the left-hand side.

I don't have anything else at this particular point. I'm here to answer any questions along with our design team. Thank you very much.

CHAIRPERSON PEHRSON: Thank you,

sir.

This is a public hearing. If there's anyone in the audience that wishes to address the Planning Commission at this time, please step forward.

MS. BODA: Martina Boda,
28375 Summit Drive. My three primary concerns are the
height of the church roof, the height of the memorial.
My position is that those would be more aesthetic than

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necessary for memorializing or worshipping, so I would like it to be kept to ordinance heights. The traffic continues to be a concern. We recognize we have all the specialists in looking at it, but that continues to be something that is very worrisome coming off of Summit Drive. It's busy now, it's busy during the holidays. With everything else, the other activities that are being built at Meadowbrook and Twelve Mile aren't going to be helping, and then to have a large congregation that we'll be seeing next door, especially during events again becomes worrisome for those of us who come and go with one way in, one way out off of Summit Drive.

And the third is a ground water concern. We are -- on Summit Court and Summit Drive we are on well water. We have lost about 20 acres of ground water seepage from the Meadowbrook and Twelve Mile. We'll be losing about 20 acres of ground water seepage with the new one. And so this again, not that it's the church's concern, but the city's concern around what is the impact potentially around that ground water. We recognize that there will be ground -- their ground water will go into drainage which will not make it into the ground water that ends up in our wells. So that would be a concern as well.

Page 69 1 Thank you. 2 CHAIRPERSON PEHRSON: Thank you. 3 Anyone else? 4 Seeing no one, we'll close that 5 part of the public hearing. I understand we have some 6 other correspondence? 7 MR. LYNCH: Yes, we do. The first 8 one was an objection. I believe you just listened to 9 Martina. I'm not going to detail it, you did a much better job, although it is a well-written letter. 10 11 And then there's probably about 12 30 supporters, and I'm just going to read the names and the addresses, and if you want to go into the 13 14 record, you can read the detail. 15 The first support was Madhavi 16 Gandham, 44995 Lightsway Drive, Novi. 17 Gary Vartanian, 22196 Antler Drive. 18 Sylvia, I can't read the last name, 19 40952 Kingsley Lane, Novi. 20 I'm not even going to attempt to 21 read the next name. It's 29307 Douglas Drive, Novi. 22 I can't read this one either, 23 32665 Summit Lane, Novi. These are all in support by 24 the way. Richa Pandy, 44567 Guinnett Loop, 25

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1	Novi. Thank you.
2	Susan Mardoyan, 22665 Summer Lane.
3	Sabina Ahmed, 22689 Summer Lane.
4	Adriana Mardigian, 22665 Summer
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б	Sousa Palandjian, 23340 Mystic
7	Forest.
8	Steve Thallman, 25337 Mystic
9	Forest.
10	Sandra, I can't read the last name,
11	22520 Summer.
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13	it's Novi, it starts with an I. I can't read it.
14	23340 Mystic Forest, Novi.
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16	Rudolph Spain, 23364 Mystic Forest.
17	23340 Mystic Forest.
18	Wei, 22641 Summer Lane.
19	Timothy Singel, 45559 Irvine Drive.
20	Konstantina Phillips, 45455 Irvine
21	Court.
22	Carla Thomas, 22774 Summer Lane.
23	Fran Guttman, 28765 Summit Drive.
24	Nayiri Misirliyan, 22385 Worcester
25	Drive.

Page 71 This is too light, Roy Misirliyan, 1 2 22355 -- oh, it's the same. It must be the spouse. 3 Ani Kasparian, 24180 Wintergreen. Same thing, duplicate. 4 Edward Guttman, 28765 Summit Drive. 5 6 Fran Guttman, 28765 Summit Drive. 7 That's it. 8 CHAIRPERSON PEHRSON: Thank you. 9 With that we'll close the public hearing on this matter and turn it over to the Planning Commission for 10 their consideration. Who would like to start? 11 Member Avdoulos. 12 13 MR. AVDOULOS: Thank you, Chair 14 Pehrson. 15 Well, this is an exciting project. 16 It's exciting to be able to have the Armenian community reside in the City of Novi, create an access 17 to compliment all the diverse demographics that exist 18 in Novi. These religious and social community 19 20 centers, they typically undergo the special land use 21 process and are typically located in residential areas, so that's why when we look at our package, we 2.2 23 have waivers that are requested, but that's because

it's set up that way so that we can work with the

community and with the neighborhood and with the city

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to make sure that all the processes are followed.

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This site is a high-profile area, and therefore there needs to be some exercise to design the facility correctly, and to also take into account concerns as Ms. Boda has presented to us, traffic and water concerns and other things that everybody takes into account when they live in and around a facility that may be a little bit more active than a typical residential facility is. The scale of the facility will also need to compliment the surrounding area in the neighborhood.

I think the applicant Gus Pappas and his team and also the community have done a nice job in that they engaged the neighbors to look at their concerns and assure that questions are answered and things are looked at with a little bit more sensitivity. So that's very much appreciated.

The architect, Gus Pappas, that the Armenian community has selected is actually a perfect fit for this type of project. I know Gus and Evans and the work that they do, and they are very sensitive not only to what the building is going to look like but how it's going to work, how it's going to fit in, where it's going to sit on the site. We can see that it's pulled off of Twelve Mile so that it's not

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fronting the street and not creating a billboard per se. It's set back nicely. I think the scale of the project and the way it's broken up is done appropriately.

Many ethnic communities deal with these type of projects in phases, and particularly as Gus indicated the first phase is usually a fellowship hall. This one will have a kitchen. And it's no different than I think some of the Greek communities that I know where you have a fellowship hall, and maybe when you are ready to build the church and get the funding and realize the actual size of your community, then you proceed with Phase 2. So I personally don't have an issue with the phasing part of it. I think that's something that is appropriate, and I think it was a question that was asked here by the city.

The other question that was brought up was related to the festivals and the type of events that would go on there. I appreciate having a layout that showed how it may be set up, so that's helpful. The big thing with that is, and I don't know if the community has thought about it, and that will be when the time comes, is the big thing for that is the three-day event typically and where parking is going

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to be an issue or if the community is going to work with somebody close by that has an area where people can park and then you shuttle people back and forth so you can mitigate some of the potential problems along Twelve Mile, and especially where it's located it might be a little bit congested for that. But that's something that can be ironed out, but at least it's being addressed right now so that the city has an understanding of what is going to be going on.

The one question I had, and I think Gus had indicated that the memorial is going to be looked at again. So Gus or Evans, just if you could explain, you know, what is going to be looked at. I don't know if it's a redesign or just --

MR. PAPPAS: It's the main tower.

It's the main tower, and you have some like amazingly -- you have an amazingly stringent ordinance, and you have an equally stringent Zoning Board of Appeals. So we were looking at it do we think that the tower is appropriate for the complex? Absolutely. Do we think, you know, does it need to be 60, well maybe it's not 60, it's 55. Does it need the lighting? The only thing we had, I think we had something in our packet that had very, you know, small little lights that go through the middle. If

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everybody can remember when 911 happened, you remember there were two lights that kind of went up. It's something that is subtle. We would love to see it in there. But now that we look and we say to ourselves, well, what is the exact reason from a Zoning Board of Appeals standpoint. And that's pretty tough for us to come up with other than saying it's part of what the memorial is. We think it's important, but we need time to come up with the reasons.

So I think at this point we just wanted to yank it off the table at this point. We may go back to relook at the whole thing, do something different. Or if we think that we can come up with some appropriate reasons. I know we've talked to planning. We know how planning feels about it and we know your -- how Doug feels about it. It's a really cool item relative to the whole thing. We wish it could go in, but I think we just need a little time to see how it's going to get in there.

MR. AVDOULOS: And again I have no issue with a memorial and what it is. I think you could work with the city and the community to decide what that is going to be.

MR. PAPPAS: Exactly.

MR. AVDOULOS: And then also have

Page 76 1 sensitivity to the neighbors. 2 MR. PAPPAS: Exactly. 3 MR. AVDOULOS: And its location and 4 figuring out what is appropriate. But I thought the 5 concept I like. It's just, yes, how it fits in. 6 MR. PAPPAS: Exactly. 7 MR. AVDOULOS: Okay. Again, I 8 appreciate the work that you and the community have 9 done with the city and working with the residents. 10 MR. PAPPAS: Thank you. 11 MR. AVDOULOS: And bringing in a 12 community in an area that I think is going to benefit from a center like this. It's not just going to be 13 14 one building, it's going to be a community. And then 15 also having the daycare center there and available for 16 everybody to use, that's another positive asset for 17 the city. So those are my comments. 18 CHAIRPERSON PEHRSON: Thank you, 19 sir. 20 Member Anthony. 21 MR. ANTHONY: I also think -- I 22 look forward to the community coming in and the

concerns that were expressed. When I look at the

structure height, I'm very glad to hear that you're

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open to it. I believe there's another church that we recently were able to accommodate when they came for a variance on their height.

MR. PAPPAS: We worked on that one, too.

MR. ANTHONY: The traffic flow. We have a study. What I liked about this is the entrance onto Summit is closest to Twelve Mile Road. seems like a very appropriate location from what you're proposing. The concern about ground water for the ground water wells, I just did a quick look at the surface water drainage of the area, and your site for shallow aguifers would be considered hydraulically down gradient, so it wouldn't have an effect on shallow wells. And if the wells are deeper, then definitely there would be no hydraulic communication. So this particular site is not one that would threaten or cause any harm to that ground water concern. happens to be my professional expertise. So that one is fine.

And what I really love about this is here is an example of how Novi as we build out and we follow the plans that we put together work, because I can see myself who lives in the neighborhood where the majority of the residents celebrate Diwali I think

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is the right word, that when you have your three-day festival, that my wife and I will be walking along our nonmotorized path up to the church to partake in the festival. That's what we're trying to create in Novi, and I think this is a nice piece that fits that feeling.

MR. PAPPAS: Thank you.

CHAIRPERSON PEHRSON: Thank you.

Member Lynch or Member Greco.

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MR. GRECO: With that --

MR. SCHULTZ: Mr. Chair. So just a couple of things that I want to sort of ask you to take into consideration. One is a request. The other is just sort of a suggestion. Both have to do with the fact that the first motion you're looking to make is the Special Land Use approval, which is your greatest time to exercise discretion and make any conditions.

So the first one is pretty easy.

Mr. Greco, if you see Item A under site plan, the second motion, where it says primary use of church will be established prior to any other accessory use. That really should be, the more that I think about it now, in your first motion, your Special Land Use motion, because it's a condition. And just to

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explain, the cultural center, the memorial and all that stuff, those are accessory to the main issue or, you know, the main use of the church or the place of worship. So, Mr. Greco, if you could add after church or place of worship. So that's the first one, just to make sure we're getting a church as the primary use and the rest is accessory.

And the second thing is just really I guess just occurring to me listening to the proponent comments that they may want to come back -you know, right now they're proposing buildings that meet height and a memorial that meets height requirements. If they come back to the city, you know, if you move on from this and you grant a Special Land Use and Site Plan approval, the board they're going to be in front of may just be the Zoning Board of Appeals, maybe you for site plan. Again, focusing back on Special Land Use, your ability to say, okay, we want to look at this, you might want to consider a condition in the Special Land Use approval that says the memorial and the building heights will be as shown on the plans, which means if they want to come back, they would come back to you for a Special Land Use amendment and to the Zoning Board of Appeals for height variance or whatever. It's a consideration,

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it's not something you have to do. I'm just throwing it out there. If it's a 100 foot memorial you might think, wow, why did we do a Special Land Use approval. Just a thought, not a requirement.

MR. GRECO: Okay. Thank you,

Counselor. Just a little discussion of that before I

make a motion. My understanding -- I understand the

point made by our attorney as far as putting the

primary use as a church or place of worship into our

Special Land Use permit, but I would like to present

for discussion the idea that counsel has presented

with respect to putting the memorial and building

heights as a condition in the Special Land Use permit

motion. Just to reclarify, what he indicated is he

indicated if we approve it as is without any condition

there, it may very well be that it just goes to the

ZBA and we don't see it again, right?

MR. SCHULTZ: Yes.

MR. GRECO: So if the height that is going to be revisited by the applicant is something that we want to look at as well, it is something that we can put as a condition in the motion. I just want to see what everyone thinks.

MR. AVDOULOS: I would like to see that. I would like to see it come back to the

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Planning Commission. I think having these projects start the way they're starting and then being able to see them through whatever phase, I think it's important that it comes in here and maintains, you know, it's history. And then if something has to go to ZBA, that's fine, but I would like that.

MR. GRECO: And I think I tend to agree given that we are the ones that are the board that specifically look at the Special Land Use with respect to places of worship in residential areas, so I think it makes sense.

CHAIRPERSON PEHRSON: I would agree, I concur. And Mr. Schultz, the idea of what is on the plan right now --

MR. SCHULTZ: That the buildings and memorial be as shown on the plans currently, and amendments come back to the Planning Commission.

CHAIRPERSON PEHRSON: Does the memorial right now and the church dome height, does it meet our standard?

MS. KOMARAGIRI: The plan as submitted right now, the memorial is indicated as 65, and the church is shown as 55 feet, but they have requested after submittal that they would like to defer the height variance for the church to Phase 2

Page 82 review and not seek the variance for the memorial at 1 this time. 2 3 MR. SCHULTZ: So based on that, so at a 4 minimum you want to say the memorial will meet ordinance requirements. 5 6 MR. GRECO: Exactly, that's what I 7 was driving to, right. 8 MR. SCHULTZ: As to the building 9 height, the church height, I guess you can do the same thing, and then that would come back as well. 10 11 MR. GRECO: Okay. All right. Fair 12 enough. 13 CHAIRPERSON PEHRSON: That would be 14 my preference. 15 MR. GRECO: That makes sense. 16 MR. ANTHONY: I feel that way to 17 the tower, I just -- and I guess we could pick it up 18 when it comes back, but there are cultural traditions 19 and reasons why the church has a particular shape or 20 architect. 21 CHAIRPERSON PEHRSON: But if it's 22 coming back to us in the second phase, then we have 23 the ability to discuss it at that time. MR. GRECO: Right. Because I think 24 that is what the applicant is saying that he wants to 25

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pull it back and they want to come up with or discuss with us a little more fully why they're doing it. We welcome that of course.

MR. PAPPAS: We need time to fully design it and when we discuss it, it may be less than what it is. We're okay with all of those.

CHAIRPERSON PEHRSON: So we'll watch our words as we go forward.

MR. GRECO: I'm ready. I'd like to make a motion in the matter of Armenian Church and Cultural Center, JSP 17-37. Motion to approve the Special Land Use permit to allow a place of worship and daycare based on and subject to the items listed in A through G on the motion sheet with the addition of the site or the project being -- the primary use being a church or place of worship be established prior to any other accessories proposed, and adding the condition that the memorial and building heights either meet ordinance standards or be constructed as shown in the plans.

MR. SCHULTZ: Not as shown, just meet.

MR. GRECO: Meet the ordinance standards, and because the plan is otherwise in compliance with Article 3, Article 5 and

Page 84 Article 6 of the Zoning Ordinance and all other 1 applicable provisions of the Ordinance. 2 3 MR. AVDOULOS: Second. 4 CHAIRPERSON PEHRSON: Motion by Member Greco, second by Member Avdoulos. 5 6 Sri, please. 7 MS. KOMARAGIRI: Chair Pehrson? 8 CHAIRPERSON PEHRSON: Yes. 9 MS. KOMARAGIRI: Member Anthony? MR. ANTHONY: Yes. 10 11 MS. KOMARAGIRI: Member Avdoulos? 12 MR. AVDOULOS: Yes. 13 MS. KOMARAGIRI: Member Greco? 14 MR. GRECO: Yes. 15 MS. KOMARAGIRI: Member Lynch? 16 MR. LYNCH: Yes. 17 MS. KOMARAGIRI: Motion passes 5 to 18 0. MR. GRECO: I would like to make 19 20 another motion in the matter of Armenian Church and Cultural Center JSP 17-37, motion to approve the 21 Preliminary SITE Plan based on and subject to the 2.2 items listed in the motion sheet B through L, and 23 because the plan is otherwise in compliance with 24 Article 3, Article 4, and Article 5 of the Zoning 25

Page 85 Ordinance and all other applicable provisions of the 1 2 Ordinance. 3 MR. AVDOULOS: Second. 4 CHAIRPERSON PEHRSON: Motion by 5 Member Greco, second by Member Avdoulos. 6 Any other comments? 7 Sri, please. 8 MS. KOMARAGIRI: Member Anthony? 9 MR. ANTHONY: Yes. MS. KOMARAGIRI: Member Avdoulos? 10 11 MR. AVDOULOS: Yes. 12 MS. KOMARAGIRI: Member Greco? 13 MR. GRECO: Yes. 14 MS. KOMARAGIRI: Member Lynch? 15 MR. LYNCH: Yes. 16 MS. KOMARAGIRI: Chair Pehrson? 17 CHAIRPERSON PEHRSON: Yes. 18 MS. KOMARAGIRI: Motion passes 5 to 0. 19 20 MR. GRECO: Next, in the matter of 21 Armenian Church and Cultural Center JSP 17-37, motion to approve the phasing plan based on and subject to 2.2 the findings of compliance with Ordinance standards in 23 the staff and consultant review letters, and the 24 conditions and items listed in those letters being 25

Page 86 addressed on the final site plan, and because the plan 1 is otherwise in compliance with Article 3, Article 4, 2 3 and Article 5 of the Zoning Ordinance and all other 4 applicable provisions of the Ordinance. 5 MR. AVDOULOS: Second. 6 CHAIRPERSON PEHRSON: Motion by 7 Member Greco, second by Member Avdoulos. 8 Any other comments? 9 Sri, please. 10 MS. KOMARAGIRI: Member Lynch? 11 MR. LYNCH: Yes. 12 Chair Pehrson? MS. KOMARAGIRI: 13 CHAIRPERSON PEHRSON: 14 MS. KOMARAGIRI: Member Anthony? 15 MR. ANTHONY: Yes. 16 MS. KOMARAGIRI: Member Avdoulos? 17 MR. AVDOULOS: Yes. MS. KOMARAGIRI: Member Greco? 18 19 MR. GRECO: Yes. 20 MS. KOMARAGIRI: Motion passes 5 to 21 0. 22 MR. GRECO: Next motion, in the matter of Armenian Church and Cultural Center JSP 23 17-37, motion to approve the wetland permit based on 24 and subject to the finding of compliance with 25

Page 87 ordinance standards in the staff and consultant review 1 letters, and the conditions and items listed in those 2 3 letters being addressed on the final site plan, and because the plan is otherwise in compliance with 4 5 Chapter 12, Article V of the Code of Ordinances and 6 all other applicable provisions of the Ordinance. 7 MR. AVDOULOS: Second. 8 CHAIRPERSON PEHRSON: Motion by 9 Member Greco, second by Mr. Avdoulos. 10 Any other comments? 11 Sri, please. 12 MS. KOMARAGIRI: Member Anthony? 13 MR. ANTHONY: Yes. 14 MS. KOMARAGIRI: Member Avdoulos? 15 MR. AVDOULOS: Yes. 16 MS. KOMARAGIRI: Member Greco? MR. GRECO: Yes. 17 18 MS. KOMARAGIRI: Member Lynch? 19 MR. LYNCH: Yes. 20 MS. KOMARAGIRI: Chair Pehrson? 21 CHAIRPERSON PEHRSON: Yes. 22 MS. KOMARAGIRI: Motion passes 5 to 23 0. MR. GRECO: For the next motion, in 24 the matter of Armenian Church and Cultural Center JSP 25

Page 88 17-37, motion to approve the woodland permit based on 1 2 and subject to the findings of compliance with 3 Ordinance standards in the staff and consultant review letters, and the conditions and items listed in those 4 5 letters being addressed on the final site plan, and 6 because the plan is otherwise in compliance with 7 Chapter 37 of the Code of Ordinances and all other 8 applicable provisions of the Ordinance. 9 MR. AVDOULOS: Second. 10 CHAIRPERSON PEHRSON: Motion by 11 Member Greco, second by Mr. Avdoulos. 12 Any other comments? 13 Sri, please. Chair Pehrson? 14 MS. KOMARAGIRI: 15 CHAIRPERSON PEHRSON: Yes. 16 MS. KOMARAGIRI: Member Anthony? 17 MR. ANTHONY: Yes. 18 MS. KOMARAGIRI: Member Avdoulos. MR. AVDOULOS: Yes. 19 20 MS. KOMARAGIRI: Member Greco? 21 MR. GRECO: Yes. 22 MS. KOMARAGIRI: Member Lynch? 23 MR. LYNCH: Yes. 24 MS. KOMARAGIRI: Motion passes 5 to 0. 25

Page 89 MR. GRECO: Finally, in the matter 1 2 of Armenian Church and Cultural Center JSP 17-37, 3 motion to approve the Stormwater Management plan based on and subject to the findings of compliance with 4 Ordinance standards in the staff and consultant review 5 6 letters, and the conditions and items listed in those 7 letters being addressed on the final site plan, and 8 because the plan is otherwise in compliance with 9 Chapter 11 of the Code of Ordinances and all other applicable provisions of the Ordinance. 10 11 MR. AVDOULOS: Second. 12 CHAIRPERSON PEHRSON: Motion by Member Greco, second by Mr. Avdoulos. 13 14 Any other comments? Sri, please. 15 16 MS. KOMARAGIRI: Member Lynch? 17 MR. LYNCH: Yes. 18 MS. KOMARAGIRI: Chair Pehrson? 19 CHAIRPERSON PEHRSON: Yes. 20 MS. KOMARAGIRI: Member Anthony? MR. ANTHONY: Yes. 21 22 MS. KOMARAGIRI: Member Greco? 23 MR. GRECO: Yes. MS. KOMARAGIRI: Member Lynch? 24

MR. LYNCH:

Yes, yes.

Page 90 MS. KOMARAGIRI: Member Avdoulos? 1 2 MR. AVDOULOS: Yes. 3 MS. KOMARAGIRI: Motion passes 5 to 0. 4 5 CHAIRPERSON PEHRSON: You're all 6 Thank you. set. 7 MR. PAPPAS: Mr. Chairman, just 8 I just wanted to let everybody know, this is quickly. 9 a great day for the Armenian Community especially coming to your city. First and foremost we want to 10 11 thank very much the residents. I know there is a number of them here. Had we not had them, we know 12 this project would have been difficult. They helped 13 out tremendously. We will still be in contact with 14 15 them all the time and they are our members. We want 16 to make sure everybody knows that. 17 Lastly, your whole department from 18 Barbara to Sri to Rick and Darcy to Doug, they're 19 incredible. We would never have been able to get 20 through your Ordinance without them, I can tell you 21 that for a fact. So thank you very, very much. 22 really appreciate it. 23 CHAIRPERSON PEHRSON: Welcome to 24 the Community. Thank you. 25 Next is matters for consideration.

Page 91 Planning Commission Committee vacancies. 1 2 MS. McBETH: As you recall, one of 3 our members of the Planning Commission, Rob Giacopetti, recently resigned, and there are two 4 5 committees that he served on that we will probably 6 need assistance on in the coming months, the 7 Environmental/Walkable Novi Committee, and the Master Plan and Zoning Committee, and also potentially the 8 9 CIP and Budget Committee as the alternate member. 10 So I've given the spread sheet 11 again, and if you'd like to reassign or assign 12 yourselves to those three positions, that would be helpful to the staff. 13 MR. ANTHONY: I'll take the 14 15 Walkable Community. 16 CHAIRPERSON PEHRSON: I'll take 17 Master Plan. 18 MR. AVDOULOS: Does anyone want 19 CTP? 20 MR. GRECO: I can do it. 21 CHAIRPERSON PEHRSON: Greco CIP? 22 MR. GRECO: Yes. 23 MS. McBETH: So Member Greco on CIP, Member Pehrson on Master Plan and Zoning, and 24

Member Anthony on Environmental. Thank you.

Page 92 CHAIRPERSON PEHRSON: Do we need to 1 2 vote on that or just --3 MS. McBETH: No, I think that's fine. 4 5 CHAIRPERSON PEHRSON: Thumbs up. 6 MS. McBETH: I'll send you a new 7 spread sheet tomorrow, and if I make any mistakes, let 8 me know. 9 CHAIRPERSON PEHRSON: Next is the approval of the August 23, 2017 Planning Commission 10 11 Minutes. Any modifications, changes or approval? 12 MS. McBETH: Mr. Chair, we did get an email this evening from somebody who read the 13 minutes and requested one minor change to the 14 15 August 23rd meeting, Page 25, Line 9, changing the 16 reference that was made in the commentary from 17 Mr. Adams to Mr. Bell. 18 CHAIRPERSON PEHRSON: That's the 19 one I picked up on, too. So with that, we can make 20 the motion to approve. 21 MR. AVDOULOS: Motion to approve. 22 MR. ANTHONY: Second. 23 CHAIRPERSON PEHRSON: Sri, can you call roll, please. 24 25 MS. KOMARAGIRI: Chair Pehrson?

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1	CHAIRPERSON PEHRSON: Yes.
2	MS. KOMARAGIRI: Member Anthony?
3	MR. ANTHONY: Yes.
4	MS. KOMARAGIRI: Member Avdoulos?
5	MR. AVDOULOS: Yes.
6	MS. KOMARAGIRI: Member Greco?
7	MR. GRECO: Yes.
8	MS. KOMARAGIRI: Member Lynch?
9	MR. LYNCH: Yes.
10	MS. KOMARAGIRI: Motion passes 5 to
11	0.
12	CHAIRPERSON PEHRSON: Third is the
13	approval of the September 13, 2017 Planning Commission
14	Minutes. Motion to approve or modify?
15	MR. LYNCH: Motion to approve.
16	CHAIRPERSON PEHRSON: We have a
17	motion.
18	MR. ANTHONY: Second.
19	CHAIRPERSON PEHRSON: Sri, can you
20	call the roll, please.
21	MS. KOMARAGIRI: Member Avdoulos.
22	MR. AVDOULOS: Yes.
23	MS. KOMARAGIRI: Member Greco?
24	MR. GRECO: Yes.
25	MS. KOMARAGIRI: Member Lynch?

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1	MR. LYNCH: Yes.
2	MS. KOMARAGIRI: Chair Pehrson?
3	CHAIRPERSON PEHRSON: Yes.
4	MS. KOMARAGIRI: Member Anthony?
5	MR. ANTHONY: Yes.
6	MS. KOMARAGIRI: Motion passes 5 to
7	0.
8	CHAIRPERSON PEHRSON: Any matters
9	for discussion?
10	Supplemental issues?
11	Last chance for audience
12	participation. If there's anyone in the audience who
13	wishes to address the Planning Commission, please step
14	forward now.
15	MR. AVDOULOS: Quick question. On
16	the meeting dates, is there a Planning Commission
17	meeting 10/26?
18	MS. McBETH: There is one on the
19	calendar, and we will be in touch shortly to let you
20	know whether that meeting will be scheduled or not.
21	MR. AVDOULOS: If it is, I have a
22	conflict.
23	MR. ANTHONY: Did you say
24	October 26th which is a Thursday?
25	MR. AVDOULOS: 10/25 Is Tuesday,

Page 95 10/26 would be a Wednesday. 1 Why is my calendar 2 MR. ANTHONY: 3 off. 4 MR. AVDOULOS: I'm just going by 5 the dates here so. 6 MR. GRECO: 10/25 is a Wednesday. 7 MS. KOMARAGIRI: That must be a 8 typo. 9 MR. GRECO: Because I saw the 10 Zoning Board of Appeals on the 25th. 11 MS. McBETH: So, yes, we do have 12 one for that Wednesday. I apologize it didn't make it on this calendar, but we'll be in touch shortly. 13 CHAIRPERSON PEHRSON: 14 So we'll close the audience participation -- I didn't see 15 16 anybody, so we'll close the last audience 17 participation. 18 Motion to adjourn? MR. LYNCH: 19 CHAIRPERSON PEHRSON: Sure, go 20 right ahead. 21 MR. LYNCH: Thank you. 22 CHAIRPERSON PEHRSON: Do we have a 23 second? 24 MR. AVDOULOS: Second. 25 CHAIRPERSON PEHRSON: All those in

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1	favor.	
2	THE BOARD: Aye.	
3	CHAIRPERSON PEHRSON: Anyone	
4	opposed?	
5	Thanks everyone.	
6	(The meeting was adjourned at 8:56 p.m.)	
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Page 97 CERTIFICATE 1 2 I, Diane L. Szach, do hereby certify that I 3 4 have recorded stenographically the proceedings had and testimony taken in the above-entitled matter at 5 the time and place hereinbefore set forth, and I do 6 7 further certify that the foregoing transcript, consisting of (97) pages, is a true and correct 8 9 transcript of my said stenograph notes. 10 11 - Diane R. Szach 12 13 Diane L. Szach, CSR-3170 Oakland County, Michigan 14 My Commission Expires: 3/9/18 November 9, 2017. 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25