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# MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH

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#### **REVISED** <u>PLATTING BOARD AGENDA</u> ASSEMBLY CHAMBERS 350 E DAHLIA AVENUE PALMER

1:00 P.M.

# PLATTING BOARD MEETING

August 3, 2023

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# TELEPHONIC TESTIMONY: (Audio only)

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- State your name for the record, spell your last name, and provide your testimony.

# 1. CALL TO ORDER

- A. Roll Call and Determination of Quorum (by Secretary)
- B. Pledge of Allegiance
- C. Approval of Agenda

# 2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- A. July 6, 2023
- B. July 20, 2023

# 3. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION & PRESENTATIONS

4. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

hearing)

(None)

5. RECONSIDERATIONS/APPEALS (None)

# 6. PUBLIC HEARINGS

- A. ARCADIAN HEIGHTS MASTER PLAN: The request is to create 47 lots by a three-phase master plan from Lots 1-3, Block 6 & Tract B, Valley Ridge Phase 2, Plat # 2022-115, and Tax Parcel B6, to be known as Arcadian Heights MSP, containing 85.29 acres +/-. The petitioner is requesting the elimination of a portion of the utility easement adjacent to the turnaround of W. Valley Ridge Drive. The property is located south-east of S. Clapp Street, north of S. Knik Goose Bay Road and south of W. Parks Highway (Tax ID # 17N01W17B006, 8314B06L001-L003 & 8314000T00B); within the N<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> Section 17, Township 17 North, Range 01 West, Seward Meridian, Alaska. In the City of Wasilla and in Assembly District #4. (Petitioner/Owner: Liberty Development, LLC & RS Enterprises, LLC, Staff: Matthew Goddard, Case # 2023-070/071)
- B. LEGACY HILLS ESTATES: The request is to create 12 lots from Tax Parcel D5, (Parcel #1, MSB Corrected Waiver Resolution Serial No. 75-52 PWm, recorded as 79-215W) and construct an interior road for access to all lots, to be known as Legacy Hills Estates, containing 20.09 acres +/-. Parcels are located north of S. Knik Goose Bay Road. Access is from S. Foothills Boulevard (Tax ID #17N02W14D005); lying within the SE <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> Section 14, Township 17 North, Range 02 West, Seward Meridian, Alaska. In the Meadow Lakes Community Council and in Assembly District #4. (Petitioner/Owner: Alaska Royal Holdings, LLC, Staff: Chris Curlin, Case # 2023-064)
- C. ANGUS ACRES: The request is to create four lots from Tax Parcels A26, A28 & A29 (Parcel #1 & #2, MSB Waiver 2005-10, recorded at 2005-029658-0) to be known as ANGUS ACRES, containing 39 acres +/-. Proposed Lots 1 & 3 are two side-by-side flag lots with 30' wide poles; a Public Use Easement will be granted over the pole portions. Parcels are located south of the Palmer Airport and directly west of E. Outer Springer Loop. Access is from E. Outer Springer Loop (Tax ID#s 17N02E08A026/A028/A029); lying within the NE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> Section 09, Township 17 North, Range 02 West, Seward Meridian, Alaska. In the Greater Palmer Community Council and in Assembly District #2. (Petitioner/Owner: Stefan K. & Yvonne L. Marty, Staff: Amy Otto-Buchanan, Case #2023-067)

#### 7. ITEMS OF BUSINESS & MISCELLANEOUS (None)

# 8. PLATTING STAFF & OFFICER COMMENTS

- A. Adjudicatory (*if needed*)
  - Definition: Law. To hear and settle an issue or a question regarding code.
- B. Upcoming Platting Board Agenda Items (*Staff: Fred Wagner & Clerk: Theresa Taranto*)
  - August 17, 2023 is our next Platting Board Meeting; 3 case on the agenda;
    - PUE- Schreiber
    - Sculpin Master Plan 0
    - Old Business- Riddleburg Station 0

# 9. BOARD COMMENTS

# **10. ADJOURNMENT**



The regular meeting of the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Platting Board was held on JULY 6, 2023, at the Matanuska-Susitna Borough 350 E Dahlia Ave, Palmer, Alaska. Chair Leonard called the Meeting to order at 1:01 p.m.

# 1. CALL TO ORDER

# A. ROLL CALL AND DETERMINATION OF QUORUM (by Administrative Specialist)

Platting Board members present and establishing a quorum:

Mr. Ron Johnson, District Seat #1 Mr. Eric Koan, District Seat #3 Mr. Alan Leonard, District Seat #7, Chair Ms. Amanda Salmon, Alternate A Mr. Robert Hallford, Alternate B

Platting Board members absent and excused were:

Mr. Dan Bush, District Seat #4 Ms. Michelle Traxler, District #5 Mr. Sandra Kreger, District Seat #6 Mr. Emmett Leffel, District Seat #2

Staff in attendance:

Mr. Alex Strawn, Planning and Land Use DirectorMr. Fred Wagner, Platting OfficerMs. Theresa Taranto, Platting ClerkMs. Amy Otto-Buchanan, Platting TechnicianMr. Matthew Goddard, Platting TechnicianMr. Chris Curlin, Platting Technician

# **B. THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Platting member Hallford led the pledge of allegiance.

# C. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Chair Leonard inquired if there were any changes to the agenda.

• Correction to Item #2 - Approval of the minutes, June 1, 2023 Minutes

# 2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- June 1, 2023 Minutes were approved unanimously
- **3.** AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION & PRESENTATIONS (Three minutes per person, for items not scheduled for public hearing) (There is no Audience Participation & Presentations)

#### 4. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

(None)

# 5. RECONSIDERATIONS/APPEALS

A. Request for Appeal of Platting Officer decision for RIPJENSEN, Case # 2023-050.

Borough Deputy Attorney, John Aschenbrenner asked if the appellant was online

There was no response when Chair Leonard asked those online if Mr. Burrill was online.

- 1.) Staff gave an overview of the case
- 2.) Appellant and /or Representative testimony No one present online or in the room at this time
- 3.) Entitlement Applicant, if not the appellant testimony The following person spoke:
  - Applicants representative, Mike Schechter, Real Estate Attorney
- 4.) Borough, if not the appellant testimony The following person spoke:
  - Matanuska-Susitna Borough representative, John Aschenbrenner, Deputy Borough Attorney
- 5.) Interested parties testimony Following person spoke:
  - Austin Burrill
- 6.) Appellant and/or Representative for rebuttal The following person spoke:
  - Mike Schechter, Applicants Representative stated he stands by his comments.

Platting Member, Johnson had questions for Mr. Schechter.

# MOTION: Platting Member Johnson made a motion to uphold Platting Officer, Fred Wagner's decision. Platting Member Koan seconded the motion.

VOTE: The motion passed without objection.

Borough Deputy Attorney, Mr. Aschenbrenner recommended the following next step:

- Platting Board to use staff report items #1 through #5 or items listed in written submission by Matanuska-Susitna Borough,
- MSB Law Department to draft up an order of consensus for the boards signature for consideration.

RECESSED: 1:29 P.M.

RECONVENED: 1:46 P.M.

MOTION: Platting Member Johnson moved to reconsider the decision. Platting Member Koan seconded the motion.

VOTE: The motion passed without objection.

Chair Leonard read the points as listed in the written submission by the Matanuska-Susitna Borough:

- 1) The staff report and agenda were available at the hearing, which the Appellant chose not to attend.
- 2) The agenda and staff report were also available online the day before the hearing.
- 3) RIPJENSON abbreviated plat was limited to moving interior lot lines in order to remedy a setback violation.
- 4) This platting action falls within the jurisdiction of the Platting Officer under MSB 43.15.025 which the Borough Assembly adopted.
- 5) The RIPJENSON abbreviated plat was brought by the property owner to remedy a setback violation.
- 6) The abbreviated plat application was a precursor to the Planning Commission consideration of the CUP application to bring the subdivision into compliance with setback ordinances.
- 7) The abbreviated plat did not circumvent the conditional use permit process, it was predicate to the CUP application before the Borough Planning Commission.
- 8) Appellant's argument that the abbreviated plat circumvented the CUP process before the Borough Planning Commission is without support and is hereby rejected by the Platting Board.
- 9) The Appellant does not specify how the bulk fuel storage was "improperly sited."
- 10) The abbreviated plat was advertised in the Frontiersman Newspaper and public notices were mailed to all property owners within 600 feet of the parcels involved in the application. None of these agencies lodged objections to the proposed abbreviated plat application.
- 11) A notice and request for comments on the abbreviated plat application was sent to: AK Department of Fish and Game; US Army Corp of Engineers; Community Council #2 Gateway; Fire Service Area # 130 Central Matsu; Road Service area # 9 Midway; Borough Emergency Services; Community Development Department of Public Works; Borough Assessments; Borough Developments Services; Borough Planning Department; Borough Legal; Assembly member for District #3; US Postmaster; Matanuska-Electric Association; Matanuska Telephone Association; Enstar Natural Gas; and GCI.
- 12) The contention that the abbreviated plat application circumvented other agency intervention about concerns over public drinking water has not been demonstrated, is without merit, and is hereby rejected by the Platting Board.

These 12 items and 7 findings of fact are adopted as consideration of their decision.

- MOTION: Platting Member Johnson moved to uphold the decision of the Platting Officer with 7 findings of fact. Platting Member Koan seconded the motion.
- VOTE: The motion passed without objection.

#### Discussion ensued

Mr. Aschenbrenner reiterated to the board in regards to the "Order of the Decision."

• The Clerk will draw up an "Order of the Decision" to be signed by the Chair, with the 12 items listed above, along with findings, #1 through #7 from the staff report,

Mr. Burrill addressed the board

- 2:02 P.M. Alex Strawn left the room.
- 2:02 P.M. Fred Wagner stepped into the meeting and took his seat at the dais.

#### 6. PUBLIC HEARINGS

A. <u>RIDDLE:</u> The request is to vacate approximately 22,680 SQ. FT. <u>+</u> of dedicated right-ofway and create lots from Parcel 2, M.S.B Waiver Resolution # 98-81-PWm, to be known as **Riddle**, containing 9.45 acres +/-. The property is located south and west of E. Edgerton Parks Road, and east of N. Government Creek Road(Tax ID # 19N01E32D020); within the SE ¼ Section 32, Township 19 North, Range 01 East, Seward Meridian, Alaska. In the Fishhook Community Council and in Assembly District #1. (*Petitioner/Owner: Jeremy Riddle/Randy & Daphne Deschamps, Staff: Matthew Goddard, Case# 2023-057/058*)

Chair Leonard read the statement regarding Ex-Parte & Interest on quasi-judicial action into the record; there was no objection noted by the platting board.

Theresa Taranto provided the mailing report:

• Stating that 40 public hearing notices were mailed out on June 13, 2023.

Staff gave an overview of the case:

• Staff recommends approval of the case with findings of fact and conditions of approval.

Chair Leonard invited the petitioner/petitioner's representative to give an overview.

The petitioner's representative/ petitioner was not present.

Chair Leonard opened the public hearing for public testimony.

There being no one to be heard Chair Leonard closed the public hearing and invited the petitioner and/or the petitioner's representative to give a brief overview.

The petitioner was present and chose not to speak.

The petitioner's representative, Tim Carmen stated he was online for any questions for the board.

MOTION: Platting Member Salmon made a motion to approve with 7 findings of fact and 9 conditions. Platting Member Koan seconded the motion.

Discussion ensued

VOTE: The motion passed without objection.

B. <u>KELTON'S CIRCLE:</u> The request is to create seven lots from Tax Parcel C7 (Parcel #3, MSB Waiver 76-4, recorded 79-245w) and create a 60' X 60' Public Use Easement on Tract 6, Kelton's Knob Hill, Plat No. 2006-98, to be known as Kelton's Circle, containing 15.82 acres +/-. Parcels are located east and south of N. Wasilla-Fishhook Road. Access is from N. Kelton Knob Circle, which is currently unconstructed (Tax ID#s 18N01W35C007/1384000T006); lying within the SW ¼ Section 35, Township 18 North, Range 01 West, Seward Meridian, Alaska. In the Tanaina Community Council and in Assembly District #6. (*Precision Homes LLC & Bennett J. & Rhonda A. Durgeloh, Staff: Amy Otto-Buchanan, Case # 2023-061*)

Chair Leonard read the statement regarding Ex-Parte & Interest on quasi-judicial action into the record; there was no objection noted by the platting board.

Theresa Taranto provided the mailing report:

• Stating that 101 public hearing notices were mailed out on June 13, 2023.

Staff gave an overview of the case:

• Staff recommends continuance to date uncertain.

Chair Leonard invited the petitioner/petitioner's representative to give an overview.

The petitioner's representative/ petitioner was not present.

Chair Leonard opened the public hearing for public testimony.

The following persons spoke:

• Nick Decovich

Chair left the public hearing open.

MOTION: Platting Member Johnson made a motion to continue Kelton's Circle to date uncertain. Platting Member Salmon seconded the motion.

Discussion ensued

VOTE: The motion passed without objection.

#### 7. PLATTING STAFF & OFFICER COMMENTS

- A. Adjudicatory (*if needed*)
- B. Upcoming Platting Board Agenda Items

Platting Officer, Fred Wagner informed the board of upcoming items:

- We will wait to introduce Michelle Traxler until the next meeting.
- Fred Will not be at the July 20 meeting, Alex Strawn, Planning Director will fill in for him.

- Next meeting July 20, 2023. We have 2 cases on the agenda;
  - o Legacy Hills Estate
  - o Agnes Acres

Platting Clerk, Theresa Taranto stated the "Roberts Rules for Dummies" books are for them to keep.

# **BOARD COMMENTS**.

- Platting member Salmon no comment
- Platting member Koan no comment
- Platting member Johnson Welcome back Theresa, Thanks for Roberts Rules book and hopes Fred catches fish.
- Platting member Hallford Sorry Theresa missed the one day of summer.
- Chair Leonard Thank you.

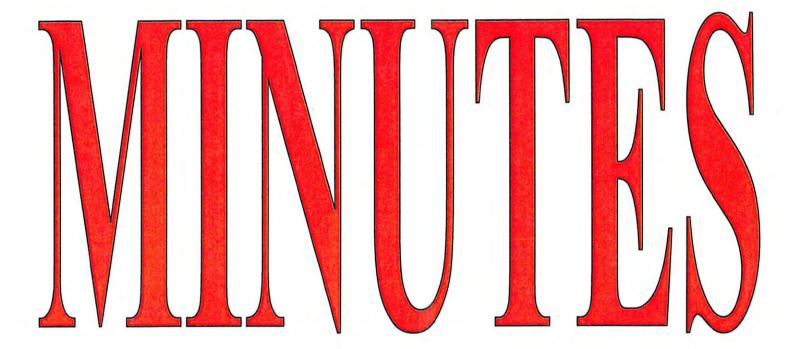
### 8. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to come before the Platting Board, Chair Leonard adjourned the meeting at **2:32** pm.

ALAN LEONARD Platting Board Chair

ATTEST:

THERESA TARANTO Platting Board Clerk



The regular meeting of the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Platting Board was held on JULY 20, 2023, at the Matanuska-Susitna Borough 350 E Dahlia Ave, Palmer, Alaska. Chair Leonard called the Meeting to order at 1:15 p.m.

# 1. CALL TO ORDER

# A. ROLL CALL AND DETERMINATION OF QUORUM (by Administrative Specialist)

Platting Board members present and establishing a quorum:

Mr. Ron Johnson, District Seat #1 Mr. Alan Leonard, District Seat #7, Chair Michelle Traxler, District #5

Platting Board members absent and excused were:

Mr. Emmett Leffel, District Seat #2 Mr. Eric Koan, District Seat #3 Mr. Dan Bush, District Seat #4 Mr. Sandra Kreger, District Seat #6 - unexcused Ms. Amanda Salmon, Alternate A Mr. Robert Hallford, Alternate B

Staff in attendance:

Mr. Alex Strawn, Planning and Land Use Director Ms. Theresa Taranto, Platting Clerk Ms. Amy Otto-Buchanan, Platting Technician Mr. Matthew Goddard, Platting Technician Mr. Chris Curlin, Platting Technician

We did not have a quorum. All items on the agenda are moved to the next meeting, August 3, 2023.

#### 7. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to come before the Platting Board, Chair Leonard adjourned the meeting at **2:17** pm.

ALAN LEONARD Platting Board Chair

ATTEST:

THERESA TARANTO Platting Board Clerk

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# STAFF REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATIONS PUBLIC HEARING AUGUST 3, 2023

PRELIMINARY PLAT:	ARCADIAN HEIGHTS MASTER PLAN	
LEGAL DESCRIPTION:	SEC 17, T17N, R01W, SEWARD MERIDIAN AK	
PETITIONERS:	LIBERTY DEVELOPMENT, LLC	
SURVEYOR/ENGINEER:	KEYSTONE SURVEYING & MAPPING	
ACRES: 85.29 <u>+</u>	PARCELS: 47	
<b>REVIEWED BY:</b>	MATTHEW GODDARD	CASE #: 2023-070/071

**<u>REQUEST</u>**: The request is to create 47 lots by a three-phase master plan from Lots 1-3, Block 6 & Tract B, Valley Ridge Phase 2, Plat # 2022-115, and Tax Parcel B6, to be known as **ARCADIAN HEIGHTS MSP**, containing 85.29 acres +/-. The petitioner is requesting the elimination of a portion of the utility easement adjacent to the turnaround of W. Valley Ridge Drive. The property is located south-east of S. Clapp Street, north of S. Knik Goose Bay Road and south of W. Parks Highway; within the N ½ Section 17, Township 17 North, Range 01 West, Seward Meridian, Alaska.

#### **EXHIBITS**

Vicinity Map and Aerial Photos	EXHIBIT A – 5 pgs
Soils Report	EXHIBIT B – 33 pgs
Average Daily Traffic Count	EXHIBIT C – 1 pg
Section Line Easement Documentation	EXHIBIT D – 8 pgs
Variance Applications	EXHIBIT E – 6 pgs
Petition for Elimination or Modification of Utility Easement COW Land Use Permit for Subdivision	EXHIBIT E – 0 pgs EXHIBIT F – 2 pgs EXHIBIT G – 1 pg
AGENCY COMMENTS MSB Department of Public Works	EXHIBIT H – 1 pg
MSB Permit Center	EXHIBIT I – 1 pg
Utilities	EXHIBIT J – 6 pgs

**DISCUSSION**: The request is to create 47 lots by a three-phase master plan. The petitioner is proposing the modification of the utility easement surrounding the existing W. Valley Ridge Drive right-of-way, the new alignment would follow the proposed interior roads (**Exhibit F**). A sketch of the utility easement elimination and replacement easement can be found at **Exhibit F-2**. Proposed Tract B-1 will be open space, Per MSB 43.20.281(E)(1)(c): Open space shall be irrevocably dedicated to the municipality or borough, or irrevocably dedicated to the subdivision owners. Open space tract b-1 will be dedicated to the City of Wasilla. Access for all lots will be from the proposed internal roads. The petitioner has submitted two

variance applications with supporting Criteria A-C answered (Exhibit E). The first variance request is from MSB 43.20.300(A) as proposed Block 4 is greater than 3,000 feet long. The second request is from MSB 43.20.300(E)(3)(a) as the flag poles on the western boundary have a utility easement running the length of the pole portion. Code requires flag pole portions encumbered with a utility easement be 75' wide, the proposed flag pole portions are 70' wide. Proposed Lots 2&3, Block 2 will need either a common access easement or a public use easement overlaying the flag pole portions (Recommendation #3). A City of Wasilla Land Use Permit for Subdivision was provided (Exhibit G).

<u>Soils Report</u>: A geotechnical report was submitted (Exhibit B), pursuant to MSB 43.20.281(A). Curt Holler, PE notes that that the soils evaluations included 14 new testholes, review of existing neighboring soils information, review of the provided topography information, review of aerial imagery and other observations at the site. The majority of the parent parcel comprises a gently rolling ridge feature with lower areas to the southeast and to the north, with a distinct cross-ridge valley and saddle feature near the west end. The steep valley drains to the northern and southern low area as well as a substantial internal low point. Substantial areas with steep slopes exceeding 25% exist and have been delineated on the attached sketch. The total elevation differential indicated from the provided topo map contours is about 104'.

The receiving soils under the topsoils were consistently dense silty sands and gravels down to 16'. Samples were taken from each hole and sieve tests were undertaken, with all results returning as SM or GM soils. A sieve analysis was provided and is shown at Exhibit **B-20** through **B-34**.

Groundwater was encountered in testholes 1, 3, 10, and 12 at highest logged depths of 4.9', 11.7', 2.6', and 1.6' respectively. Monitor tubes were installed in each of those testholes which allowed monitoring groundwater levels during the spring high water table season. An estimate of the limits of area with at least 8' to groundwater is shown on the attached map. Groundwater will be a limiting factor for some of the proposed lots, however, each lot appears to have adequate useable area, can be regraded to obtain adequate area, or can accommodate a fill pad to meet useable area requirements.

The proposed lots have a few limitations on areas defined by MSB code as useable septic area or useable building area. Useable septic areas will be limited by lotlines, easements, surface water setbacks, steep areas and related setbacks, and areas with shallow groundwater. For useable building area, lotlines, utility easements and ROW/PUE setbacks will be limiting factors. With the exception of Lot 17 Block 2, each of the proposed lots will have adequate unencumbered area meeting the code requirements. Based on available soils and water table information, topography, MSB Title 43 Code definitions, and observations at the site, the proposed new Lots 1 & 2, Block 1, Lots 1-16 & 18-19, Block 2 Lots 1-5, Block 3, and Lots 1-19, Block 4 will each contain over 10,000 square feet of contiguous useable septic area, and an additional 10,000 square feet of useable building area. The proposed Tract B-1 is designated as open space/green space and will not require useable area verification. Proposed Lot 17, Block 2 can readily be regraded to contain adequate useable septic area, and will have an additional 10,000 square feet of useable building area, and will have an additional 10,000 square feet of useable building area, and will have an additional 10,000 square feet of useable building area, and will have an additional 10,000 square feet of useable septic area, and will have an additional 10,000 square feet of useable building area; re-evaluation should be made a condition of approval. Alternately, Lot 17, Block 2, can be absorbed into an adjacent conforming lot (**Recommendation #5**).

As-built and topographic mapping are on the Agenda Plat. Based on the provided Average Daily Traffic Count (ADT), no upgrades will be required for any existing roads (Exhibit C). Section Line Easement determination is at Exhibit D.

Variance: Two variance requests were submitted (Exhibit E) per MSB 43.15.075 with the supporting criteria A-C answered by the petitioner.

Variance #1 is from MSB 43.20.300(E)(3)(a) Lot and Block Design. The proposed flag poles on the western boundary of the property are 70' wide with a utility easement running the length of them. Code requires a 75' flag pole portion when encumbered by a utility easement. The petitioner has provided the following answers to supporting criteria A-C:

A. The granting of the variance shall not be detrimental to the public health, safety or welfare, or injurious to adjacent property; and

There are 2 parcels involved. Lot 1, Block 3 and Lot 1, Block 4. Both lots are constrained by topography.

Lot 1, Block 3 is a 2 acre lot. The minimum pole width is 40' for this lot. The pole portion as designed is 70' wide. That leaves 40' outside of the utility easement. Because the MEA easement is pre-existing and is located along where the pole portion of the lot, there is no way to separate the easement from the pole portion as it would create a 30' strip of no-man's land. The actual location of the power poles within the MEA easement are approximately 17' east of the westerly subdivision boundary. This leaves 53' in which to build a driveway. Driveways are typically between 14-18' wide. There is no conflict here. There is no harm to anyone by allowing the variance.

Lot 1, Block 4 is a 4 acre lot. The minimum pole width is 60' for this lot. The pole portion as designed is 70' wide. That leaves 40 feet outside of the utility easement. Because the MEA easement is pre-existing and is located along where the pole portion of the lot there is no way to separate the easement from the pole portion as it would create a 30' strip of no-man's land. The actual location of the power poles within the MEA easement are approximately 17' east of the westerly subdivision boundary. This leaves 53' in which to build a driveway. Driveways are typically between 14-18' wide. There is no conflict here. There is no harm to anyone by allowing the variance.

B. The variance request is based upon conditions of the property that are atypical to other properties: and

Generally this type of situation is not found where the utility easement is along the exterior of a subdivision and between the subdivision boundary and close to a topographically challenging land feature. Both parcels need to be flag lots. Otherwise the lot design would be horrible with lots of usable on 2 lot and hardly any usable on 2 lots. This would not create a good situation for future lot owners.

C. Because of unusual physical surroundings, shape, or topographical conditions of the property for which the variance is sought, or because of the taking of a part of the property through condemnation or because of surrounding development or conditions, the strict application of MSB 43.20 shall result in undue substantial hardship to the owner of the property.

Because of the pre-existing status of the MEA easement there is no way to <u>NOT</u> have the utilities within the pole portion of these lots. Adding another 5 feet to the pole widths does not serve a purpose as there is more than ample room (53 feet) in which to build a typical driveway of 14-18 feet width. Lot 2, Block 3 and Lot 2, Block 4 are constrained by topography. The additional 5 foot width (70' to 75') causes further restrictions on the usable building area and diminishes the desirability of both lots. We try to make the best lots we can. Again, the added 5 feet would serve no purpose. A 60 foot wide flagpole would be sufficient and we are already 10 feet wider than that.

Variance #2 is from MSB 43.20.300(A) Lot and Block Design. The proposed Block 4 slightly exceeds 3,000' due to topographic constraints.

A. The granting of the variance shall not be detrimental to the public health, safety or welfare, or injurious to adjacent property; and

This variance will not be detrimental to public health, safety or welfare, or injurious to adjacent property. To the contrary, it will protect the aforementioned items. The subdivision has extreme topographical relief. W. Powder Ridge Drive parallels a bluff to the north. The bluff is approximately 50 feet high with grades exceeding 45%. Impractical to construct a MSB standard road. Trying to create a road down the bluff would serve no purpose. It would require massive amounts of earthwork – cuts and fills – that would decimate the natural environment, create drainage issues for this and adjoining property and would have to connect to the Public Use Easement that runs along the north boundary of the subdivision thereby creating another access to what is classified as a future collector road / bypass.

B. The variance request is based upon conditions of the property that are atypical to other properties: and

The length of the proposed W. Powder Ridge Drive is 3,008 feet from its intersection with W. Valley Ridge Road westward to the west boundary of the subdivision which makes the length of Block 4 eight feet longer than 3,000 feet or 0.25% past the 3,000'. The actual construction will be less than 3,000'. This situation is not typical. Normally there would be some location to place a road that is both functional AND desirable. That is not the case here. Access to Tract Z is shown as a flagpole. This was necessary to meet MSB code due to future access to Tract Z being through a phase of Valley Ridge ( a previously approved Master Plan). There is no timetable for when the future access will be created. The flagpole portion of Tract Z is not suitable or desirable for a MSB standard road. There is no other option for access to Tract Z that meets MSB code. This requested variance is to block length of Block 4. Tract Z is compliant as shown.

C. Because of unusual physical surroundings, shape, or topographical conditions of the property for which the variance is sought, or because of the taking of a part of the property through condemnation or because of surrounding development or conditions, the strict application of MSB 43.20 shall result in undue substantial hardship to the owner of the property.

As stated above, there are extreme topographical constraints, no purpose for a road right of way that is not constructable, no desire to place another intersection on a future road corridor and really no other way to make Block 4 compliant. Blocks 2 and 3 to the south of proposed W. Powder Ridge Drive are separated by proposed S. Braxton Drive. There is no need for a variance on this side of the road as S. Braxton Drive is constructable.

# Comments:

MSB Department of Public Works (Exhibit H) has no objections.

MSB Permit Center (Exhibit I) has no comment.

<u>Utilities</u>: (Exhibit F) Enstar has no comments or recommendations. GCI has no comments or objections. MTA has no comments. MEA has no objections.

At the time of staff report write-up, there were no responses to the Request for Comments from ADF&G; USACE; City of Wasilla; MSB Fire Service Area #130 Central Matsu, Emergency Services, Community Development, Assessments, or Planning; or MEA.

<u>CONCLUSION</u>: The preliminary plat of Arcadian Heights Master Plan is consistent with AS 29.40.070 Platting Regulations and MSB 43.15.016 Preliminary Plats. The variance from MSB 43.20.300(A) and

MSB 43.20.300(E)(3)(a) Lot and Block Design has been submitted in accordance with MSB 43.15.075 Variance; Standards of Approval. There were no objections from any federal or state agencies, Borough departments, or utilities. There were no objections to the plat from the public in response to the Notice of Public Hearing. Legal and physical access to the proposed lots will exist once internal road construction is complete, consistent with MSB 43.20.100 Access Required, MSB 43.20.120 Legal Access and MSB 43.20.140 Physical Access. Frontage for the subdivision will exist, pursuant to MSB 43.20.320 Frontage. A soils report was submitted pursuant to MSB 43.20.281(A). Once Lot 17, Block 2 has been regraded, all proposed lots will contain at least 10,000 square feet of usable building area and an additional 10,000 square feet of contiguous usable septic area required by code..

# FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. The plat of Arcadian Heights Master Plan Subdivision is consistent with AS 29.40.070 Platting Regulations and MSB 43.15.016 Preliminary Plats.
- 2. A soils report was submitted pursuant to MSB 43.20281(A). After Lot 17, Block 2 has been regraded, all lots will have the minimum usable building are and septic area per code.
- 3. All lots will have legal and physical access consistent with MSB 43.20.100, MSB 43.20.120 and MSB 43.20.140.
- 4. Two variance requests were submitted (**Exhibit E**) per MSB 43.15.075 with the supporting criteria A-C answered by the petitioner.

Variance #1 is from MSB 43.20.300(E)(3)(a) Lot and Block Design. The proposed flag poles on the western boundary of the property are 70' wide with a utility easement running the length of them. Code requires a 75' flag pole portion when encumbered by a utility easement. The petitioner has provided the following answers to supporting criteria A-C:

A. The granting of the variance shall not be detrimental to the public health, safety or welfare, or injurious to adjacent property; and

There are 2 parcels involved. Lot 1, Block 3 and Lot 1, Block 4. Both lots are constrained by topography.

Lot 1, Block 3 is a 2 acre lot. The minimum pole width is 40' for this lot. The pole portion as designed is 70' wide. That leaves 40' outside of the utility easement. Because the MEA easement is pre-existing and is located along where the pole portion of the lot, there is no way to separate the easement from the pole portion as it would create a 30' strip of no-man's land. The actual location of the power poles within the MEA easement are approximately 17' east of the westerly subdivision boundary. This leaves 53' in which to build a driveway. Driveways are typically between 14-18' wide. There is no conflict here. There is no harm to anyone by allowing the variance.

Lot 1, Block 4 is a 4 acre lot. The minimum pole width is 60' for this lot. The pole portion as designed is 70' wide. That leaves 40 feet outside of the utility easement. Because the MEA easement is pre-existing and is located along where the pole portion of the lot, there is no way to separate the easement from the pole portion as it would create a 30' strip of no-man's land. The actual location of the power poles within the MEA easement are approximately 17' east of the westerly subdivision boundary. This leaves 53' in which to build a driveway. Driveways are typically between 14-18' wide. There is no conflict here. There is no harm to anyone by allowing the variance.

B. The variance request is based upon conditions of the property that are atypical to other properties: and

Generally, this type of situation is not found where the utility easement is along the exterior of a subdivision and between the subdivision boundary and close to a topographically challenging

land feature. Both parcels need to be flag lots. Otherwise, the lot design would be horrible with lots of usable on 2 lot and hardly any usable on 2 lots. This would not create a good situation for future lot owners.

C. Because of unusual physical surroundings, shape, or topographical conditions of the property for which the variance is sought, or because of the taking of a part of the property through condemnation or because of surrounding development or conditions, the strict application of MSB 43.20 shall result in undue substantial hardship to the owner of the property.

Because of the pre-existing status of the MEA easement there is no way to <u>NOT</u> have the utilities within the pole portion of these lots. Adding another 5 feet to the pole widths does not serve a purpose as there is more than ample room (53 feet) in which to build a typical driveway of 14-18 feet width. Lot 2, Block 3 and Lot 2, Block 4 are constrained by topography. The additional 5 foot width (70' to 75') causes further restrictions on the usable building area and diminishes the desirability of both lots. We try to make the best lots we can. Again, the added 5 feet would serve no purpose. A 60 foot wide flagpole would be sufficient and we are already 10 feet wider than that.

Variance #2 is from MSB 43.20.300(A) Lot and Block Design. The proposed Block 4 slightly exceeds 3,000' due to topographic constraints.

A. The granting of the variance shall not be detrimental to the public health, safety or welfare, or injurious to adjacent property; and

This variance will not be detrimental to public health, safety or welfare, or injurious to adjacent property. To the contrary, it will protect the aforementioned items. The subdivision has extreme topographical relief. W. Powder Ridge Drive parallels a bluff to the north. The bluff is approximately 50 feet high with grades exceeding 45%. Impractical to construct a MSB standard road. Trying to create a road down the bluff would serve no purpose. It would require massive amounts of earthwork – cuts and fills – that would decimate the natural environment, create drainage issues for this and adjoining property and would have to connect to the Public Use Easement that runs along the north boundary of the subdivision thereby creating another access to what is classified as a future collector road / bypass.

B. The variance request is based upon conditions of the property that are atypical to other properties: and

The length of the proposed W. Powder Ridge Drive is 3,008 feet from its intersection with W. Valley Ridge Road westward to the west boundary of the subdivision which makes the length of Block 4 eight feet longer than 3,000 feet or <u>0.25%</u> past the 3,000'. The actual construction will be less than 3,000'. This situation is not typical. Normally there would be some location to place a road that is both functional AND desirable. That is not the case here. Access to Tract Z is shown as a flagpole. This was necessary to meet MSB code due to future access to Tract Z being through a phase of Valley Ridge ( a previously approved Master Plan). There is no timetable for when the future access will be created. The flagpole portion of Tract Z is not suitable or desirable for a MSB standard road. There is no other option for access to Tract Z that meets MSB code. This requested variance is to block length of Block 4. Tract Z is compliant as shown.

C. Because of unusual physical surroundings, shape, or topographical conditions of the property for which the variance is sought, or because of the taking of a part of the property through condemnation or because of surrounding development or conditions, the strict application of MSB 43.20 shall result in undue substantial hardship to the owner of the property.

As stated above, there are extreme topographical constraints, no purpose for a road right of way that is not constructable, no desire to place another intersection on a future road corridor and really no other way to make Block 4 compliant. Blocks 2 and 3 to the south of proposed W. Powder

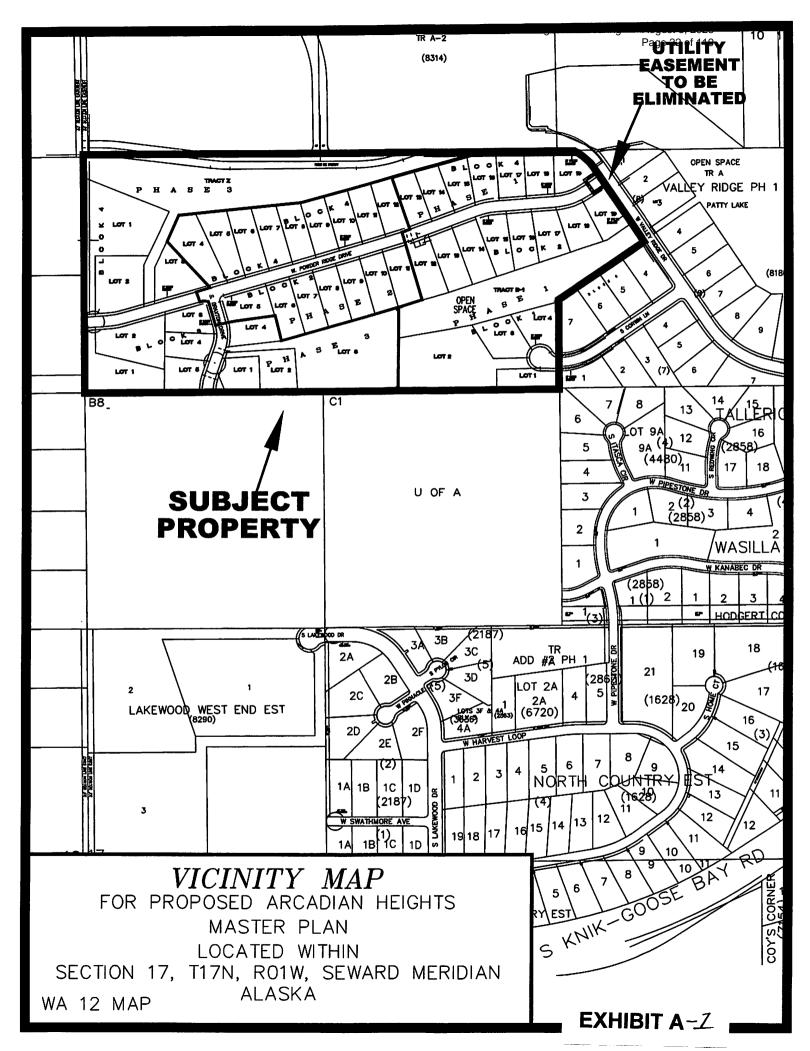
Ridge Drive are separated by proposed S. Braxton Drive. There is no need for a variance on this side of the road as S. Braxton Drive is constructable.

- 5. Each lot has the required frontage pursuant to MSB 43.20.320 and MSB 43.20.300(E).
- 6. At the time of staff report write-up, there were no responses to the Request for Comments from ADF&G; USACE; City of Wasilla; MSB Fire Service Area #130 Central Matsu, Emergency Services, Community Development, Assessments, or Planning; or MEA.
- 7. There were no objections from any federal or state agencies, or Borough departments or utilities.
- 8. There were no objections from the public in response to the Notice of Public Hearing.

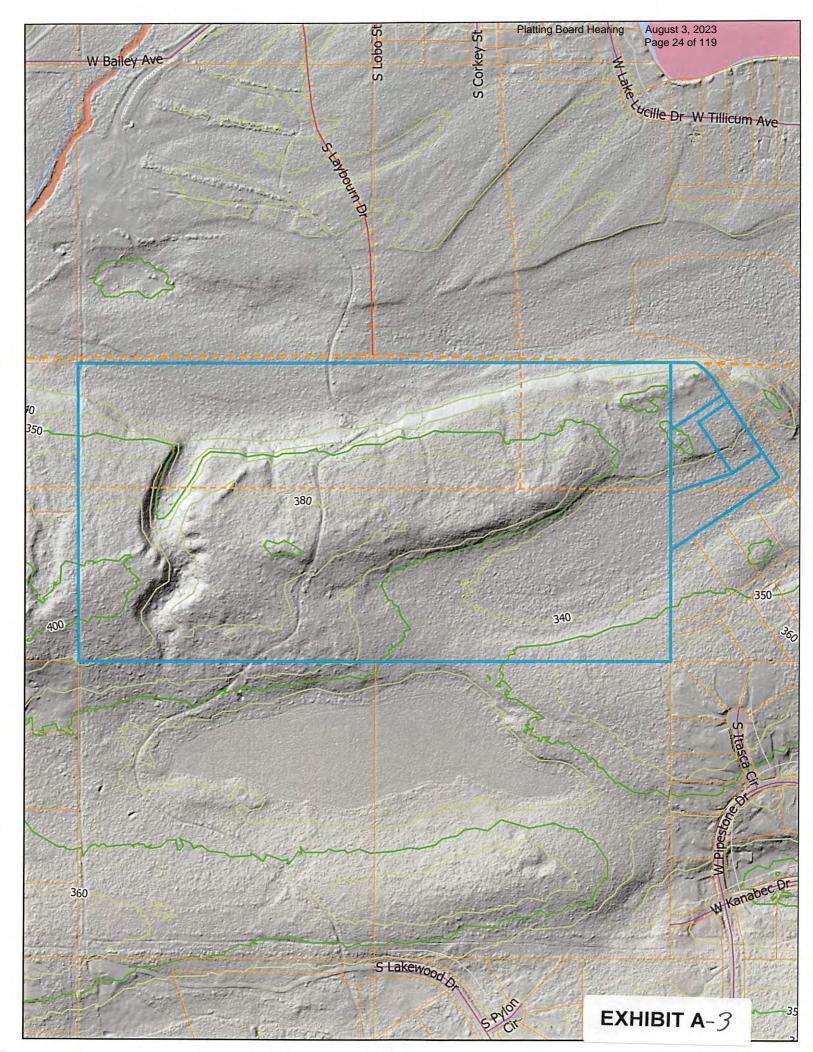
#### **RECOMMENDATIONS OF CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL**

Suggested motion: I move to approve the preliminary plat of Arcadian Heights Master Plan, the variance from MSB 43.20.300(A), and the variance request from MSB 43.20.300(E)(3)(a) Lot and Block Design Section 17, Township 17 North, Range 01 West, Seward Meridian, Alaska, contingent on staff recommendations:

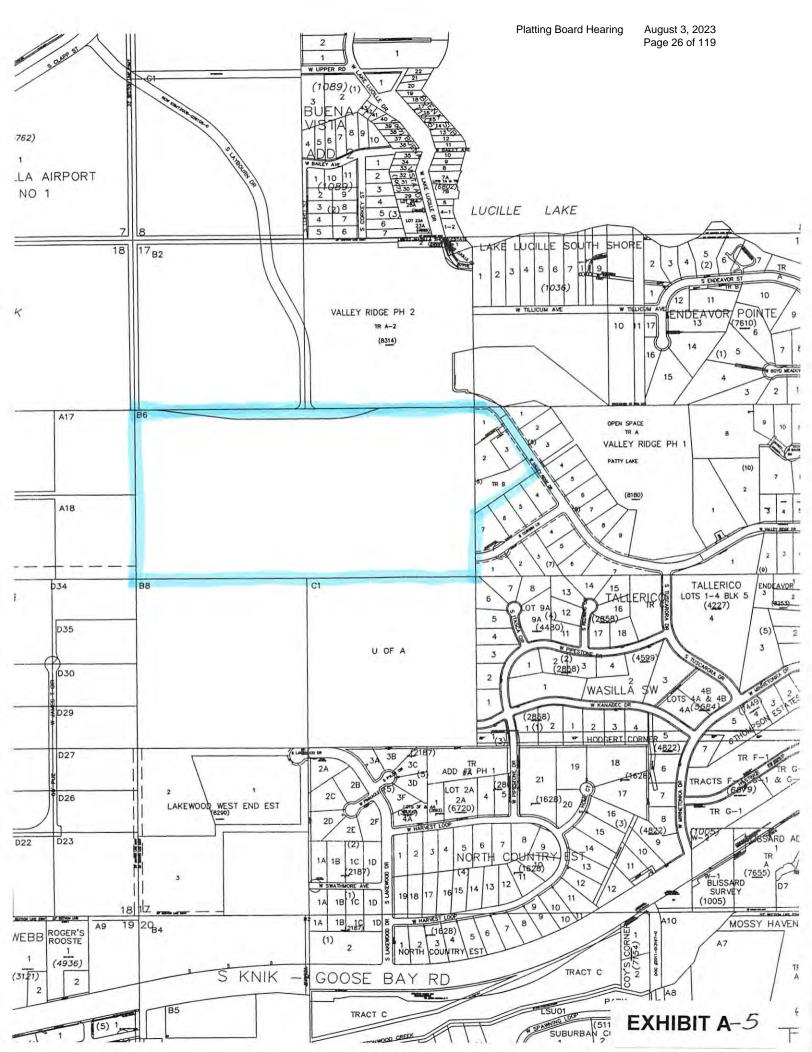
- 1. Taxes and special assessments must be paid in full for the year of recording, pursuant to MSB 43.15.053(F) and AS 40.15.020. Pay taxes and special assessments (LIDs), by CERTIFIED FUNDS OR CASH.
- 2. Provide updated Certificate to Plat executed within seven (7) days of recording of each phase plat and submit Beneficiary Affidavit for any holders of a beneficial interest.
- 3. Overlay the flag pole portions of Lot 2 & Lot 3, Block 2 with either a common access easement or a public use easement.
- 4. Provide City of Wasilla final road approval for each phase plat.
- 5. Provide an updated soils report once the regrading of Lot 17, Block 2 has been completed. Alternatively, combine Lot 17, Block 2 with an adjoining lot.
- 6. Pay postage and advertising fees.
- 7. Show all easements of record on each phase plat.
- 8. Submit recording fees for each phase, payable to Department of Natural Resources (DNR).
- 9. Submit each phase plat in full compliance with Title 43.













May 26, 2023

Fred Wagner MSB Platting Officer 350 East Dahlia Avenue Palmer, Alaska 99645

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EXHIBIT B-7

Re: Arcadian Heights; Useable Areas, Roads and Drainage. HE #22080

Dear Mr. Wagner:

At the request of the project owner, we have performed a soils review and related preliminary design work for the referenced proposed subdivision. The project will create 47 new lots and two tracts from 5 existing parcels totaling approximately 85 acres. Our soils evaluation included logging 14 new testholes on the parent parcel, review of existing neighboring soils information, review of the provided topography information, review of aerial imagery and our other observations at the site. See the attached testhole location and topography map for details.

Topography. The project site forms a near rectangle west of the existing Valley Ridge Subdivision. The majority of the parent parcel comprises a gently rolling ridge feature with lower areas to the southeast and to the north, with a distinct cross-ridge valley and saddle feature near the west end. The steep valley drains to northern and southern low area as well as a substantial internal low point. Substantial areas with steep slopes exceeding 25% exist and have been delineated on the attached sketch, including the sides of the valley and a consistent steep drop from the ridgetop to the northern lower area. The total elevation differential indicated from the provided topo map contours is about 104'.

Soils & Vegetation. The parent parcel remains mostly in its native or near native state with little to no development aside from a few footpaths/trails scattered throughout. Topography contours indicate one early road or driveway cut angling up the steep northern slope, which appears to have been abandoned many years ago. Existing native vegetation consists primarily of tall grasses interspersed between clusters of young and mature birch and cottonwood trees with some sparse willow and young spruce trees throughout. Eleven new test holes were dug on 10/12/22 on the parcel to evaluate existing soils conditions, with three additional holes dug on 3/16/23. Near surface soils typically included a thin organic mat over a layer of silty loess topsoils extending down 1'to 3'. Receiving soils under the topsoils were consistently dense silty sands and gravels down to 16'. Samples were taken from each hole and sieve tests were undertaken, with all results returning as SM or GM soils. Silt content was relatively consistent, varying from 26% to 33% in 11 of the 14 holes, with 2 others having 14% and 19%, and one outlier testhole 3 at 46%. Despite the outlying test result, our field observations and review of photos indicate TH3 was similar in silt content to the others. The sieve samples were all assessed as either non-plastic or having a relatively low plasticity index, under 6. A copy of the testhole logs, sieve reports and the location/topography map is attached.

<u>Groundwater</u>. Groundwater was encountered only in testholes labeled 1, 3, 10, and 12 at highest logged depths of 4.9', 11.7', 2.6' and 1.6' respectively. Monitor tubes were installed in each of those testholes which allowed monitoring groundwater levels during the spring high water table season. An estimate of the limits of area with at least 8' to groundwater is shown on the attached map. Groundwater will be a limiting factor for some of the proposed lots, however, each lot appears to have adequate useable area, can be regraded to obtain adequate area, or can accommodate a fill pad to meet useable area requirements. See the attached drawing for more details.

<u>Useable Areas.</u> The proposed lots have a few limitations on areas defined by MSB code as useable septic area or useable building area. Useable septic areas will be limited by lotlines, easements, surface water setbacks, steep areas and related setbacks, and areas with shallow groundwater. For useable building area, lotlines, utility easements, and ROW/PUE setbacks will be limiting factors. With the exception of Lot 17 Block 2, each of the proposed lots will have adequate unencumbered area meeting the code requirements. Based on the available soils and water table information, topography, MSB Title 43 Code definitions, and our observations at the site, the proposed new lots 1 & 2 Block 1, lots 1-16 & 18-19 block 2, lots 1-5 block 3, and lots 1-19 block 4 will each contain over 10,000 square feet of contiguous useable septic area, and an additional 10,000 square feet of useable building area. The proposed Tract B-1 is designated as open space/green space and will not require useable area verification. Proposed Tract Z will contain more than 400,000 square feet of area and does not require useable area verification. Proposed Lot 17 Block 2 can readily be regraded to contain adequate useable septic area, and will have an additional 10,000 square feet of useable building area; re-evaluation should be made a condition of approval. Alternately, Lot 17 Block 2 can be absorbed into an adjacent, conforming lot.

<u>Roads.</u> The proposed master plan project will require the construction of approximately 3,850' of new roads, including two permanent and two temporary cul-de-sac bulbs, along with a single permanent internal intersection. As shown on the drawing, an additional temporary tee turn-around may be constructed if the project construction is phased as planned. Initial design work indicates road centerline grades will have 3 steeper sections which can be kept to 6% or less, with turn-around or cul-de-sac grades kept at 4% or less. Sandy gravel materials adequate to construct the roads can be mined from existing soils within some portions of the new ROW, mined from some of the lots or tracts, or imported.

<u>Traffic.</u> A basic traffic analysis/lot count sketch was prepared and is attached. Note that the analysis includes 34 lots from a proposed future phase of the adjacent Valley Ridge project, and that there will be 3 platted road access options provided to the west or



northwest which are not yet constructed but likely will be (S. Laybourn Drive, W. Valley Ridge Road, W. Powder Ridge Drive).

<u>Drainage</u>. A preliminary drainage plan is included in the attached sketch, and includes culverts and infiltration structures. Drainage basins may also be required. As always, the drainage plan will be subject to field modification and improvement during construction.

Please do not hesitate to call with any questions.

Sincerely,

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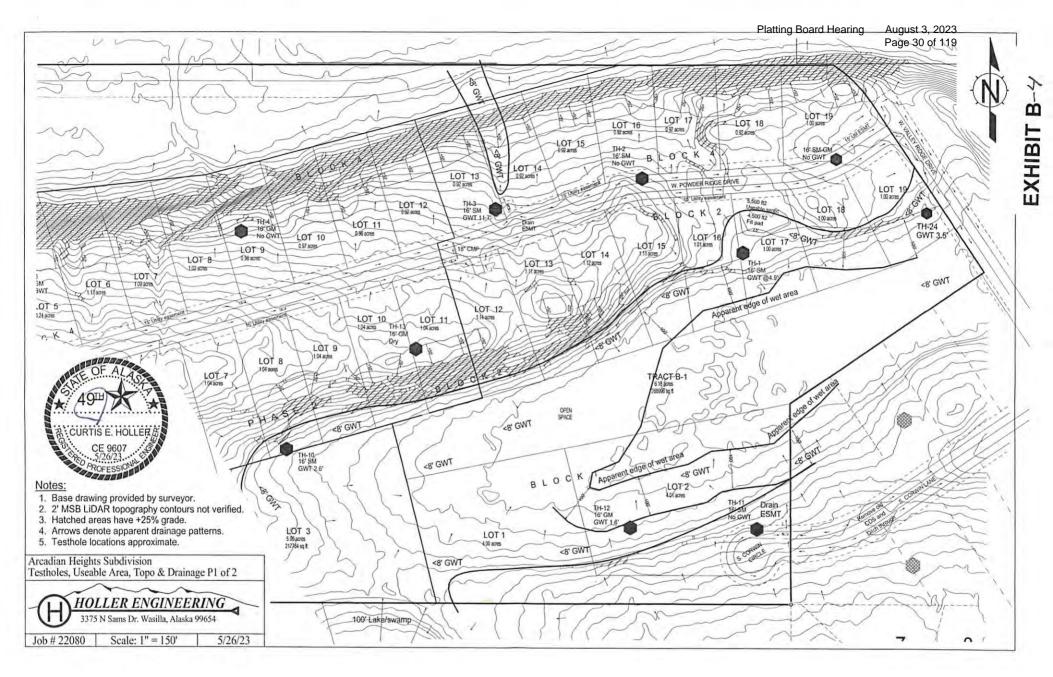
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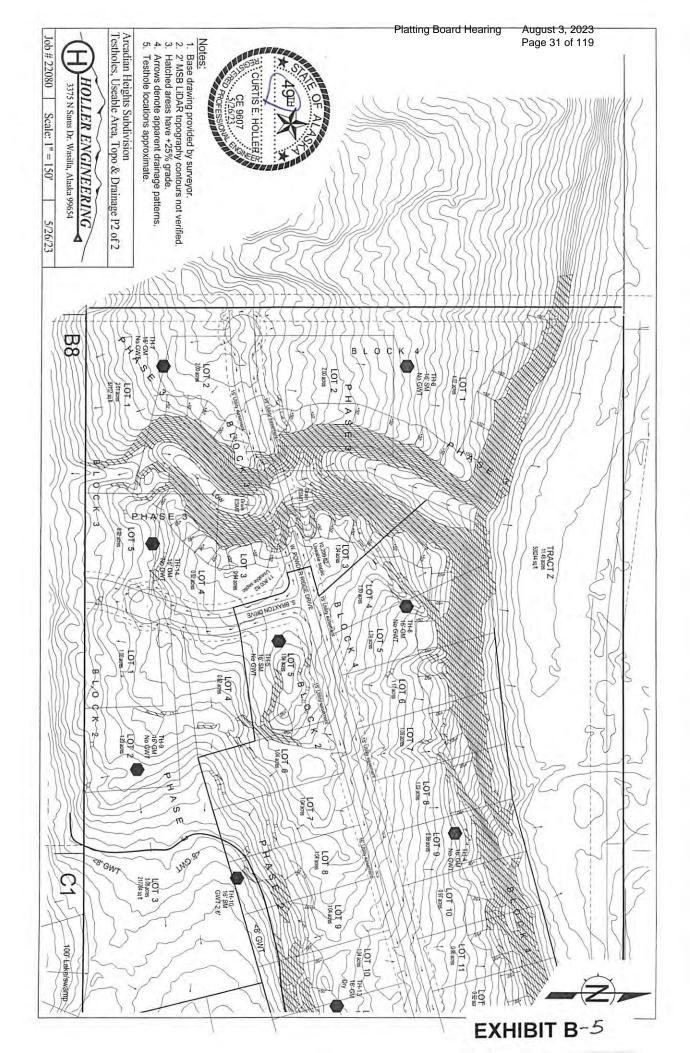
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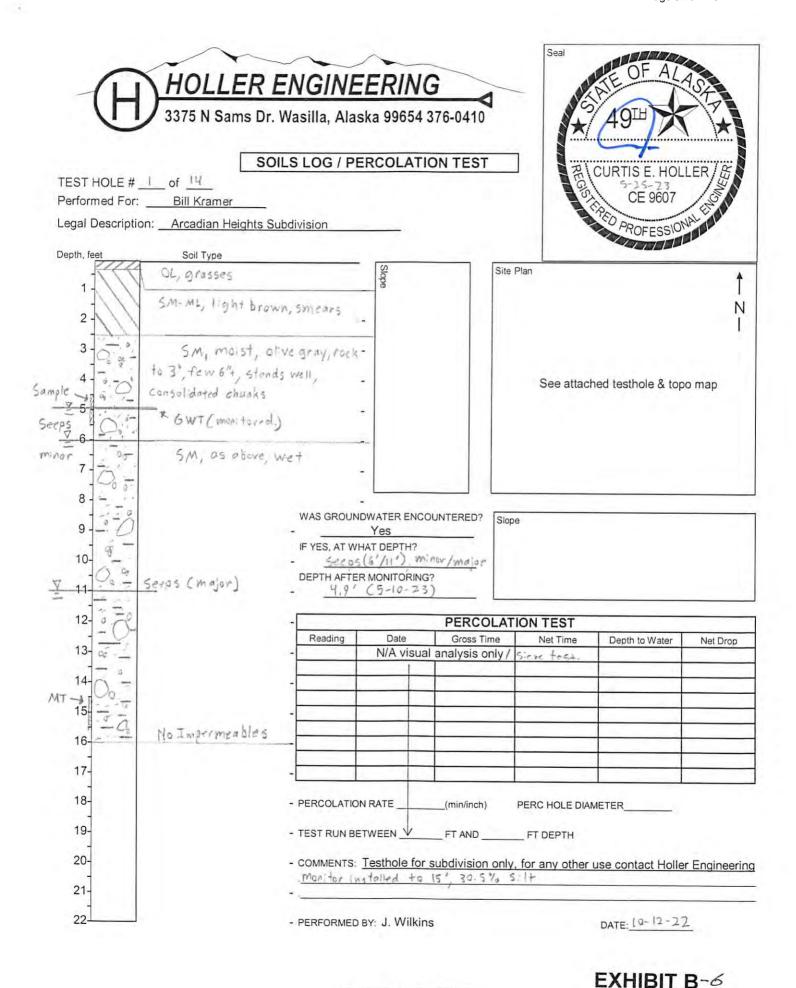


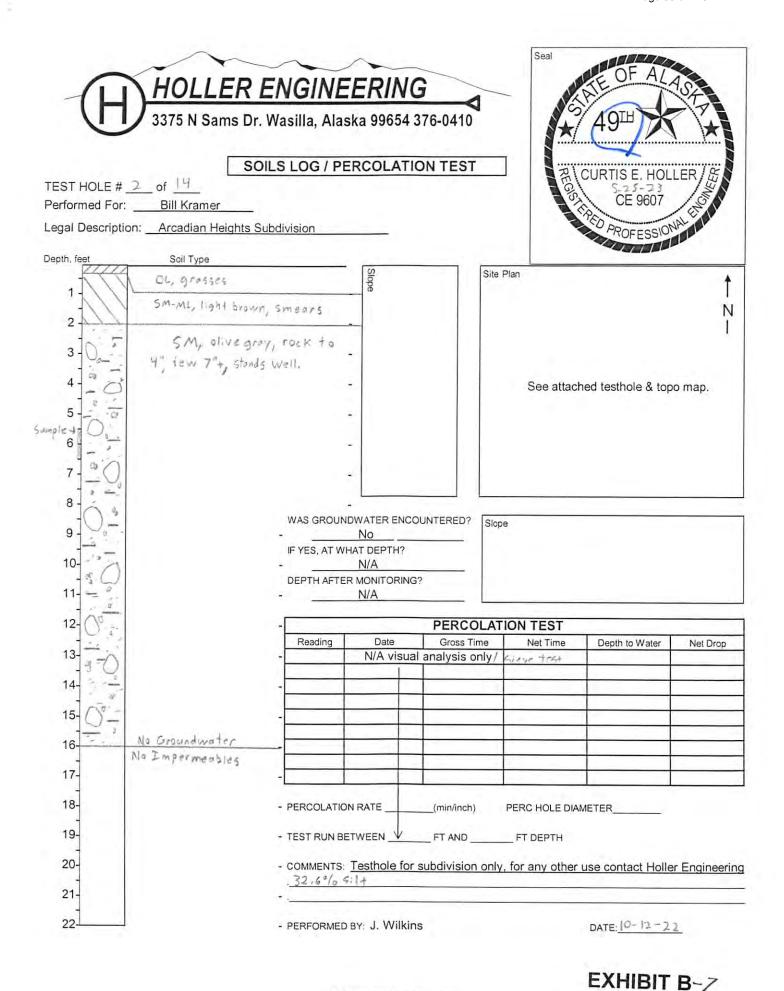
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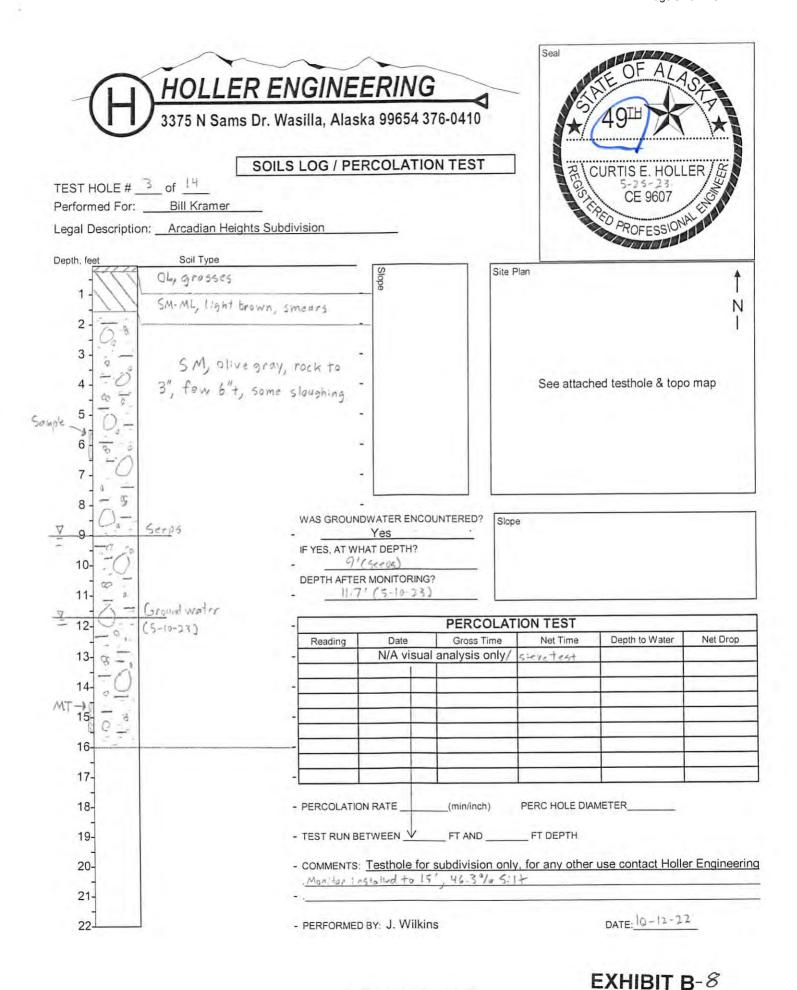
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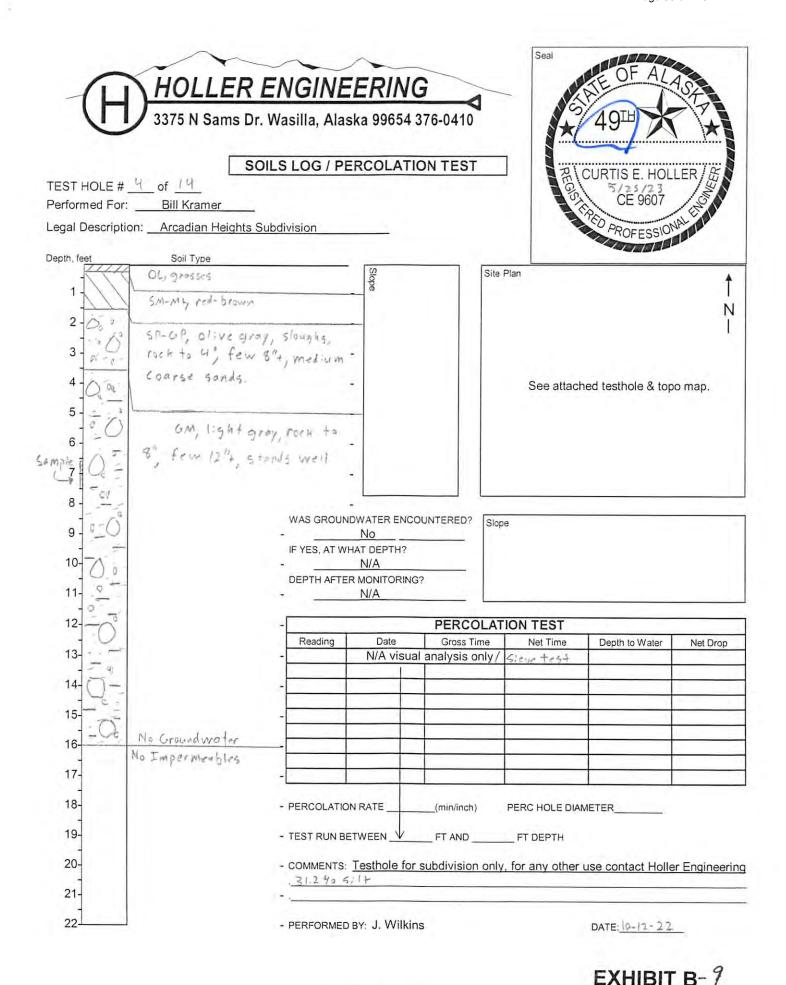


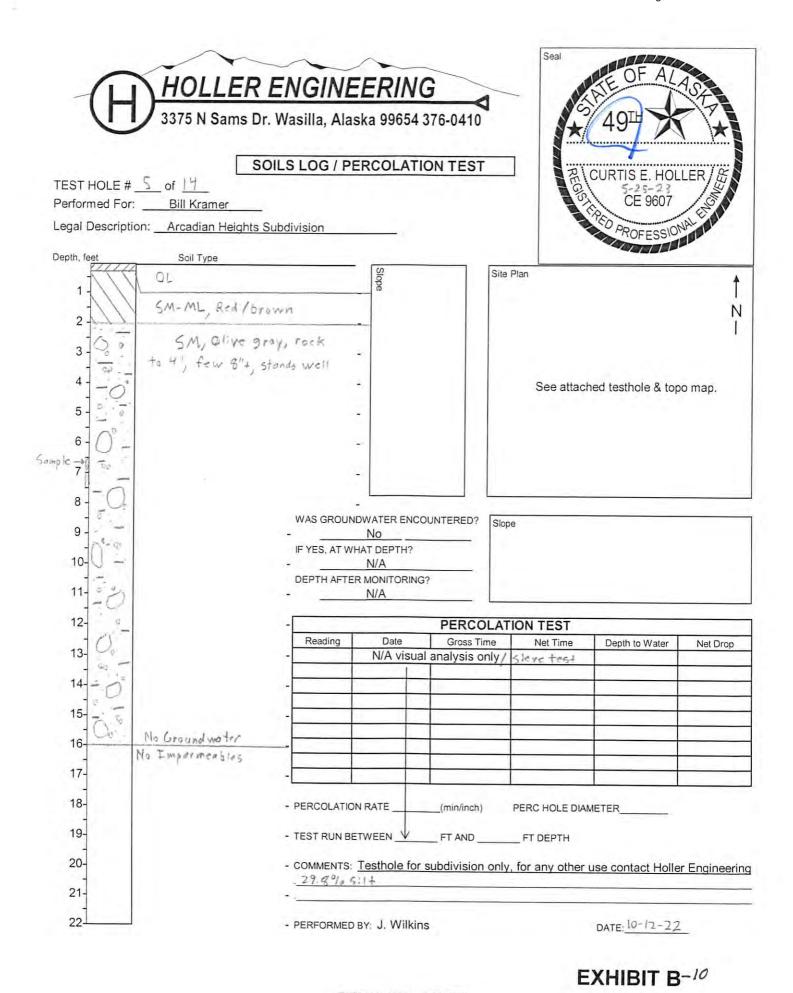


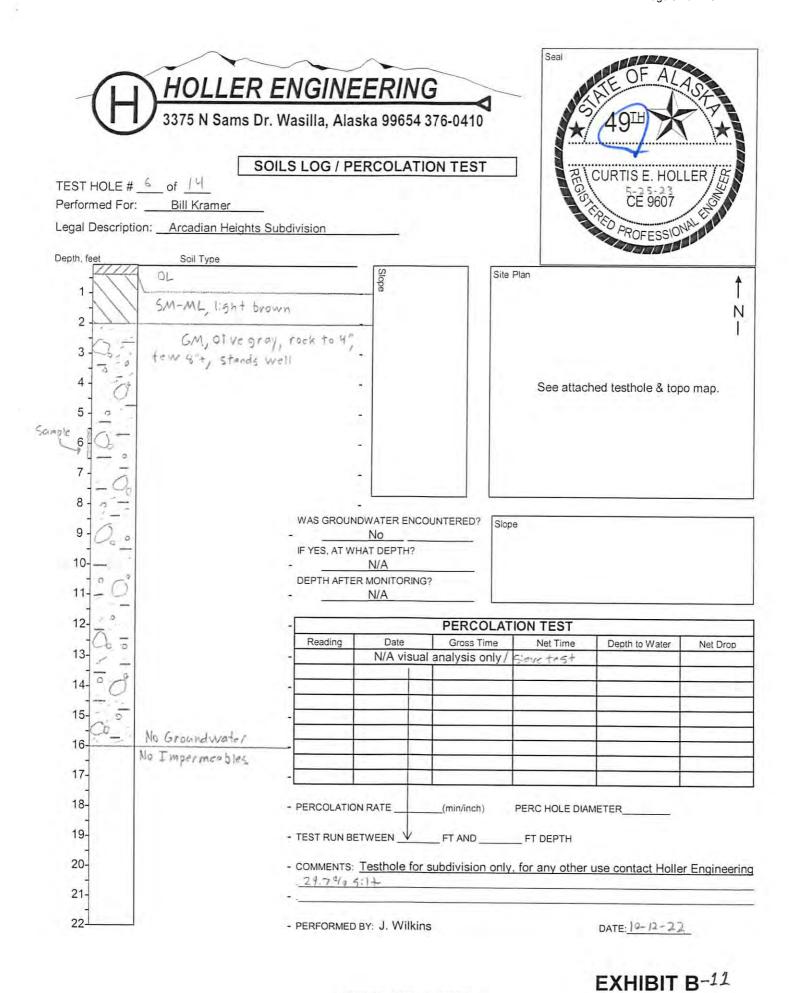


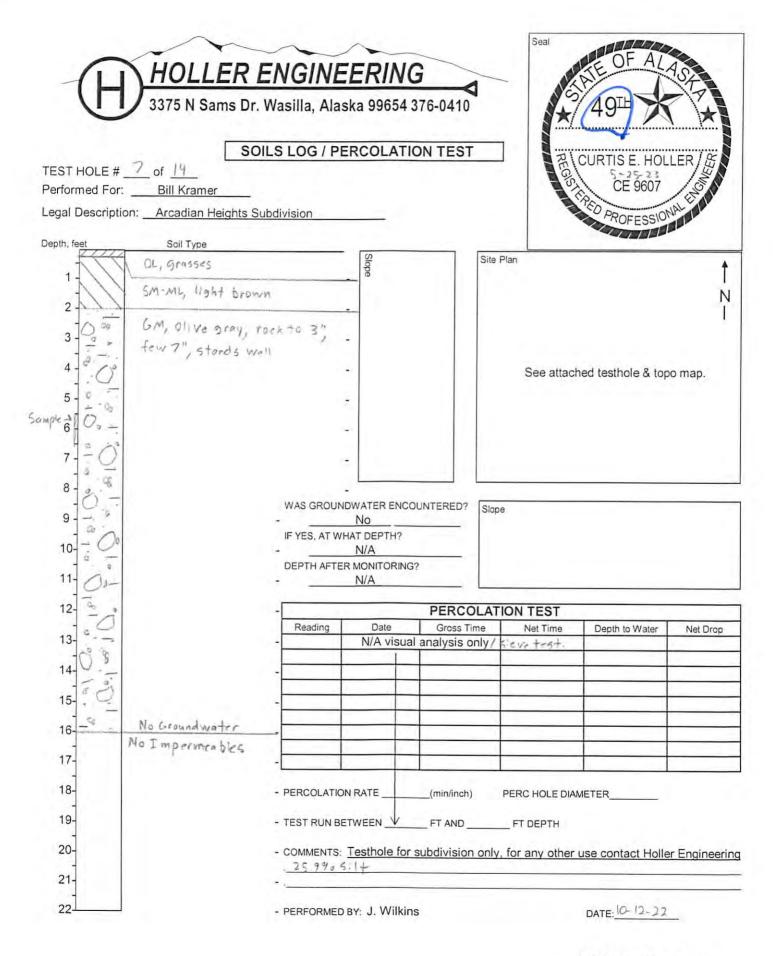


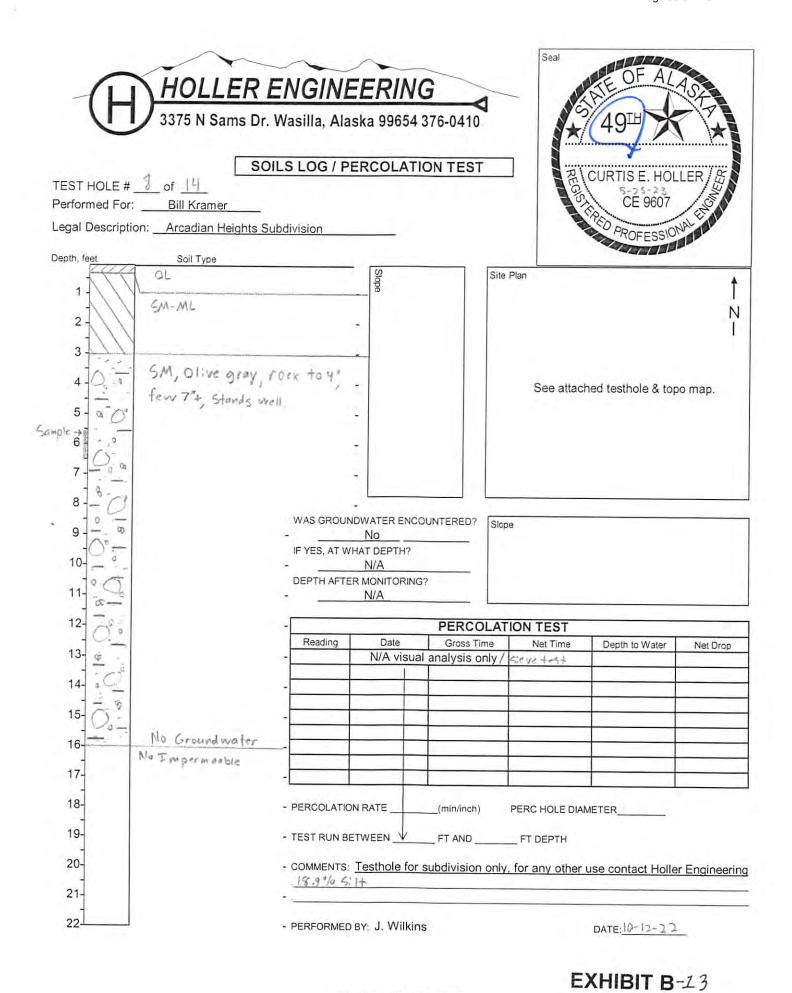




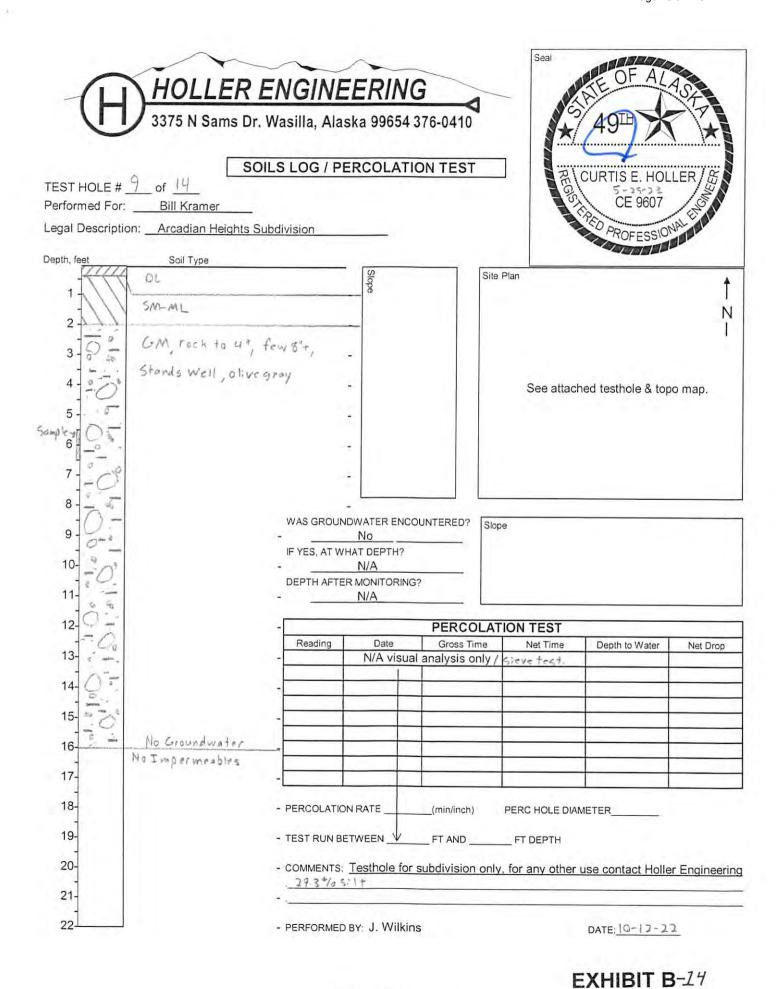


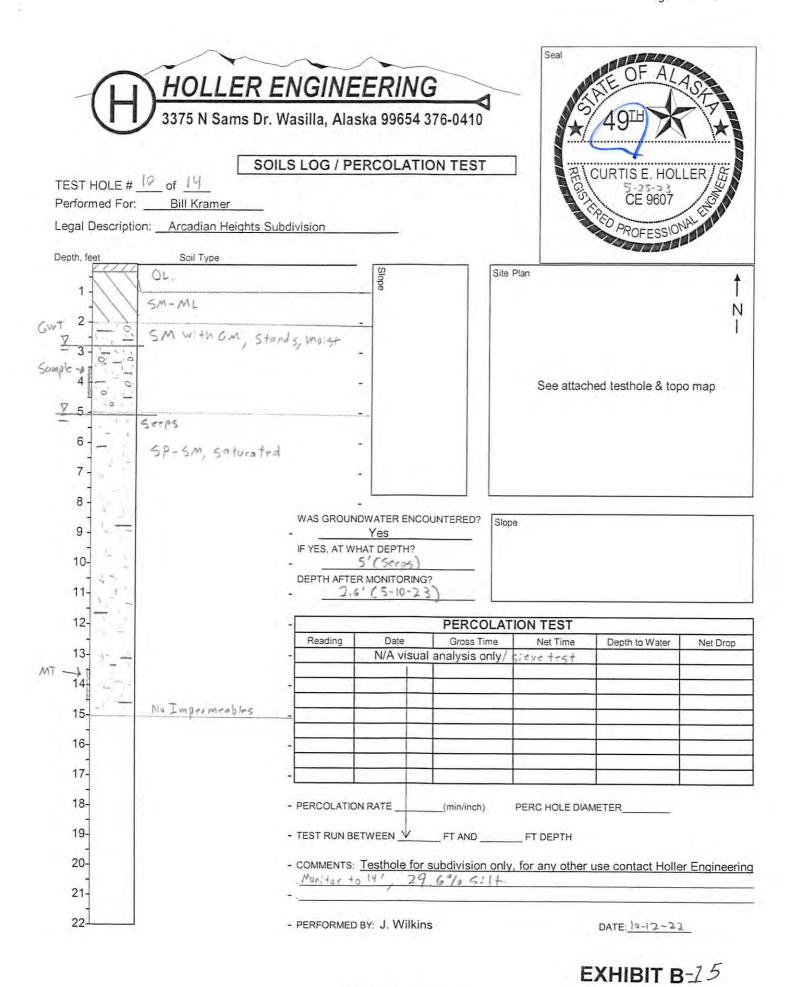


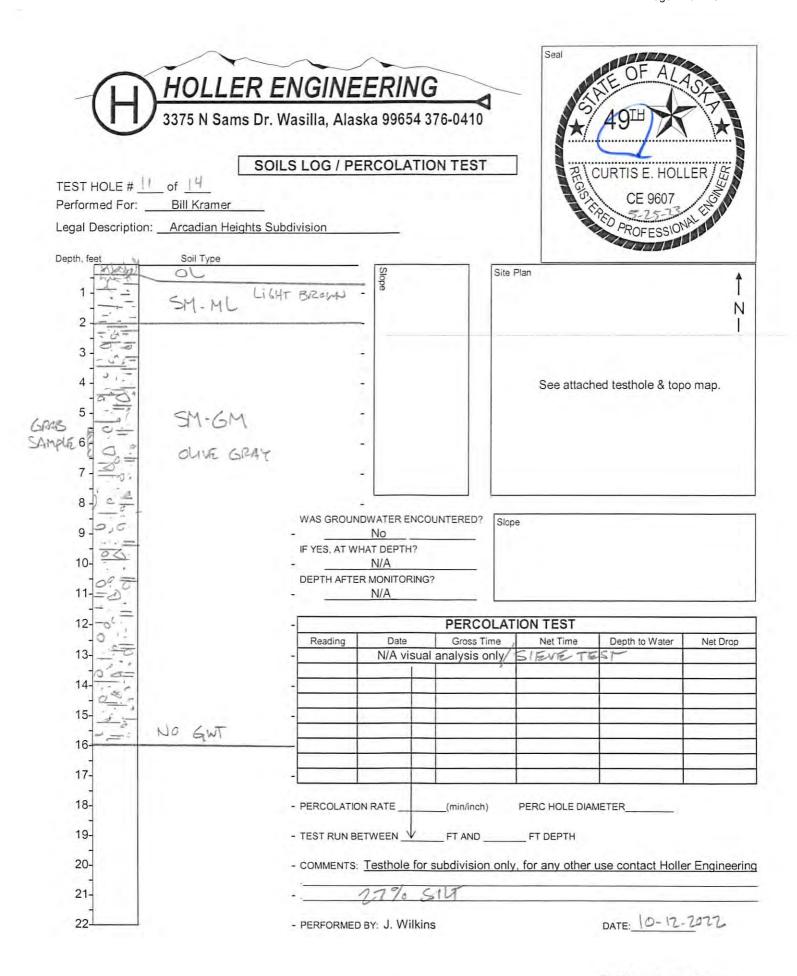




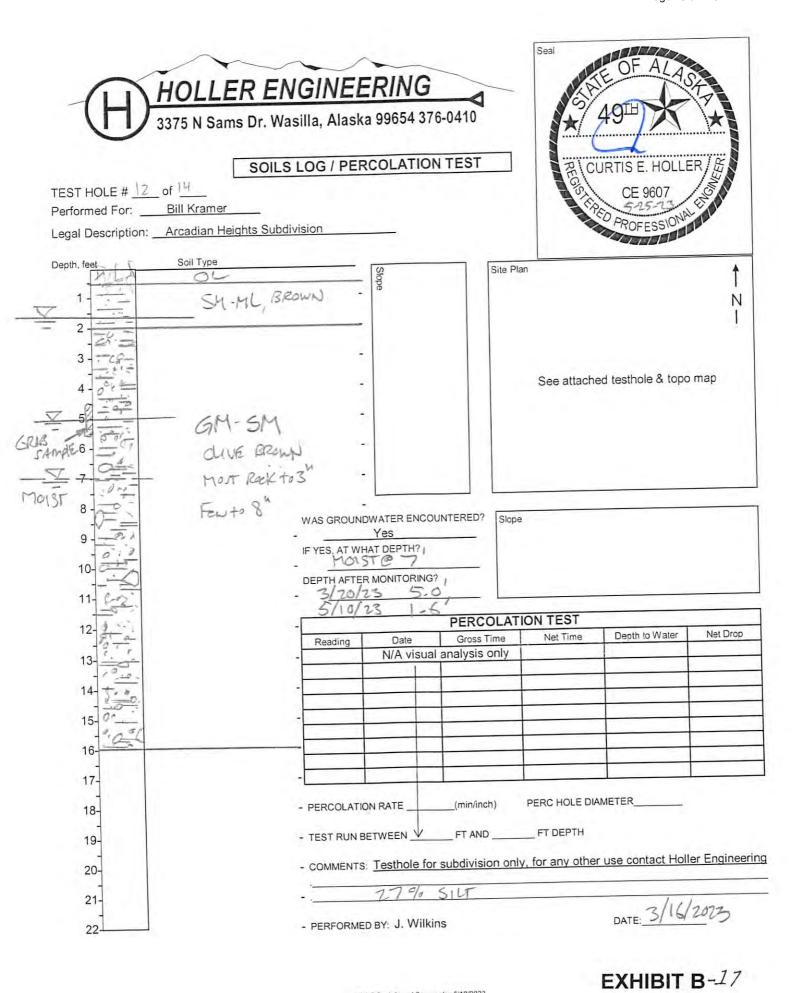
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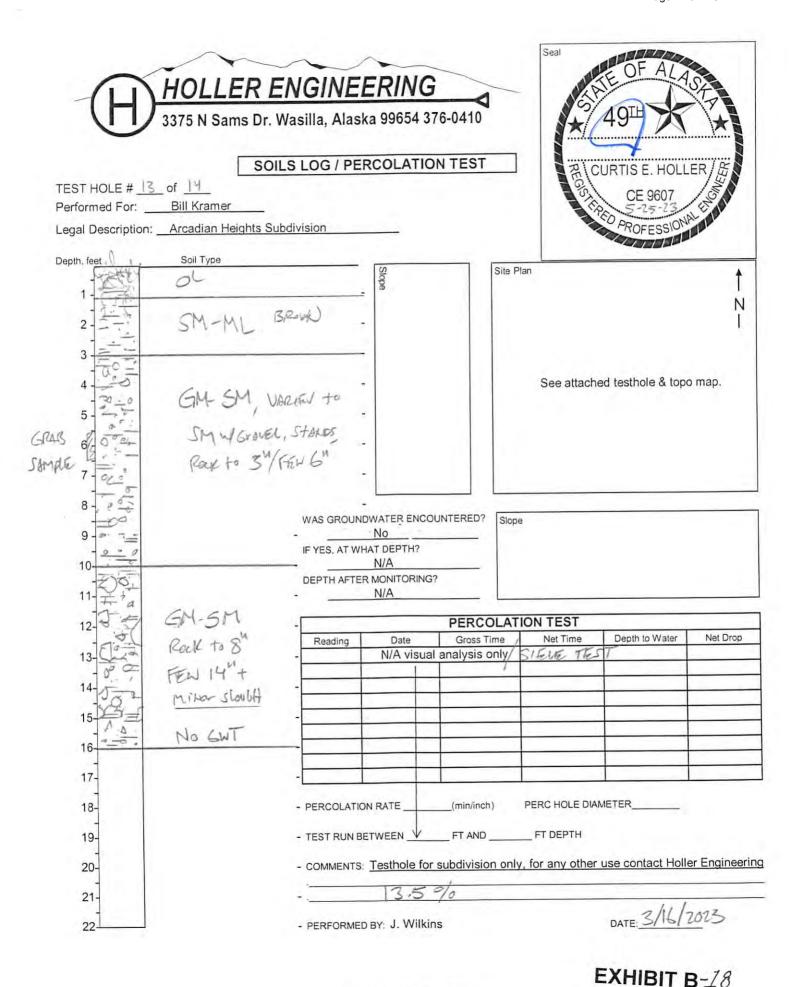
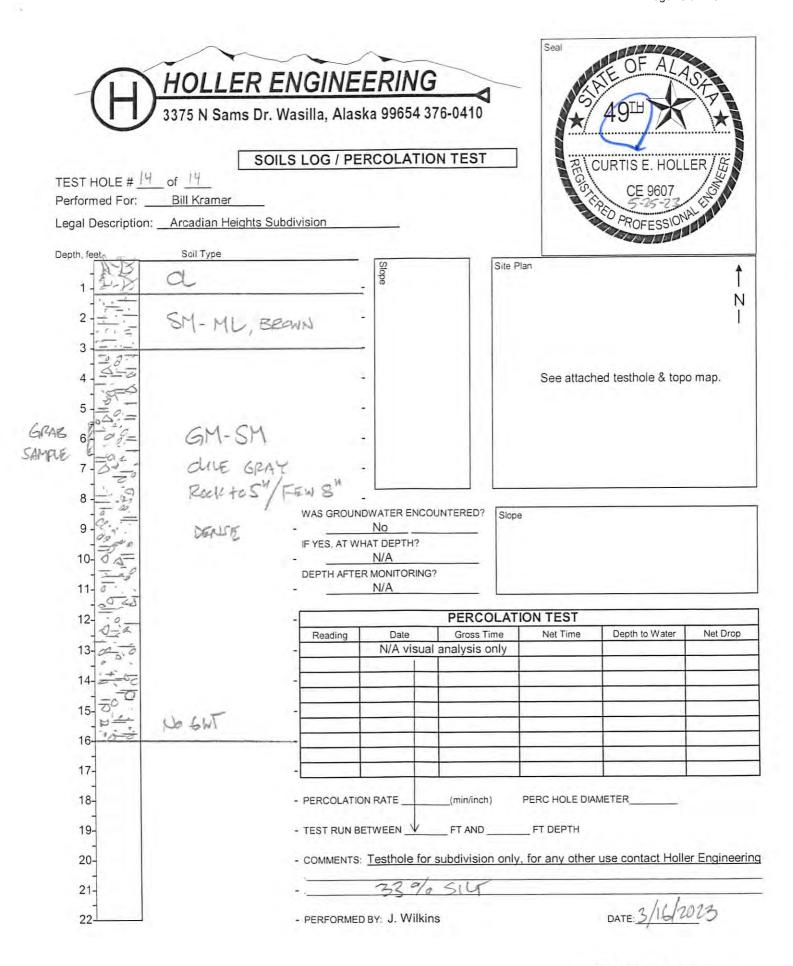
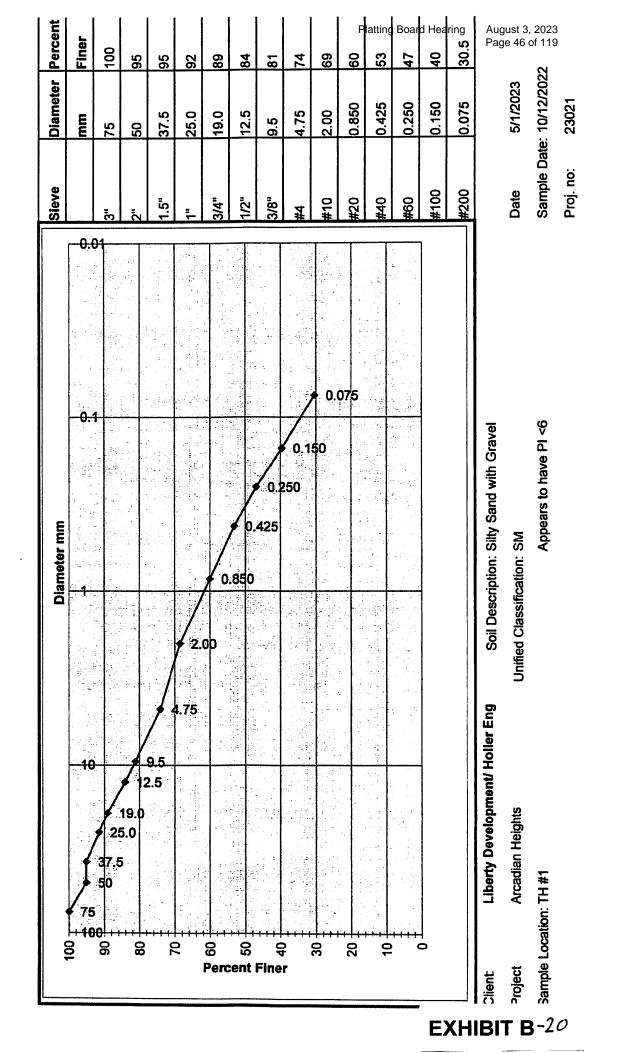


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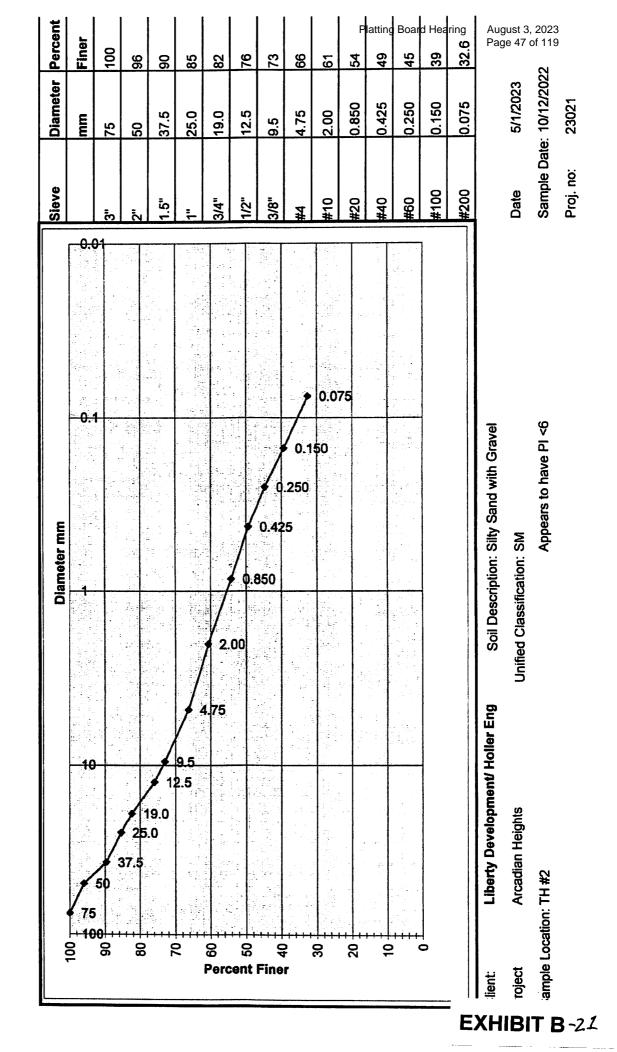


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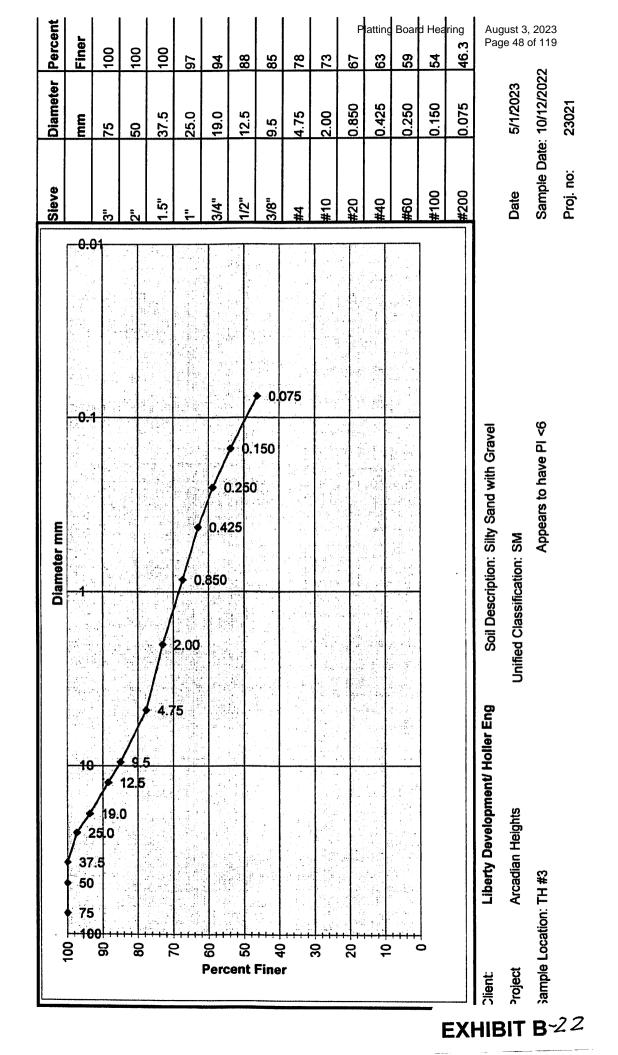
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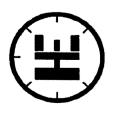




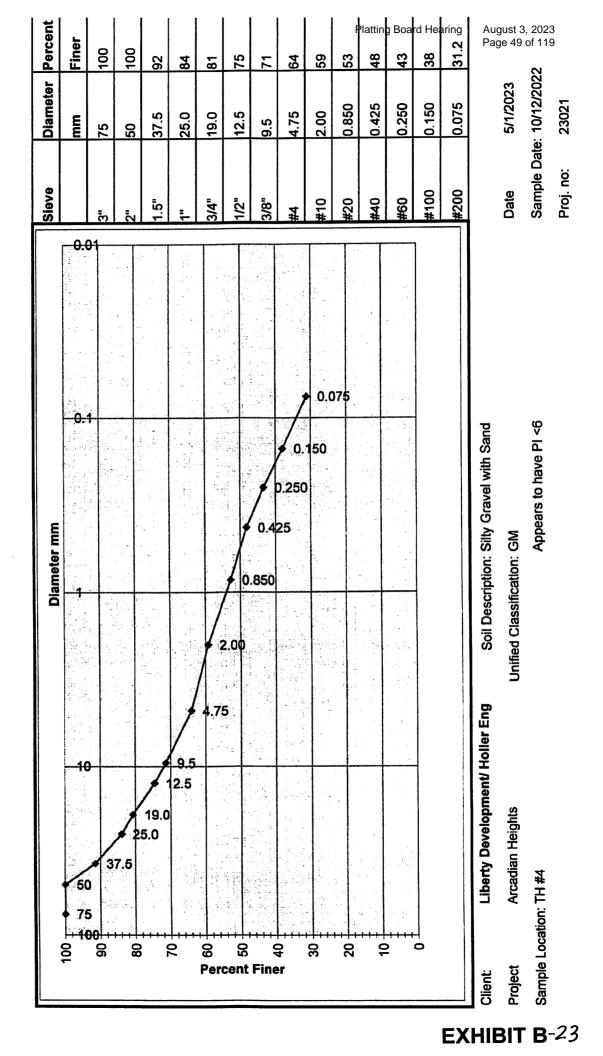
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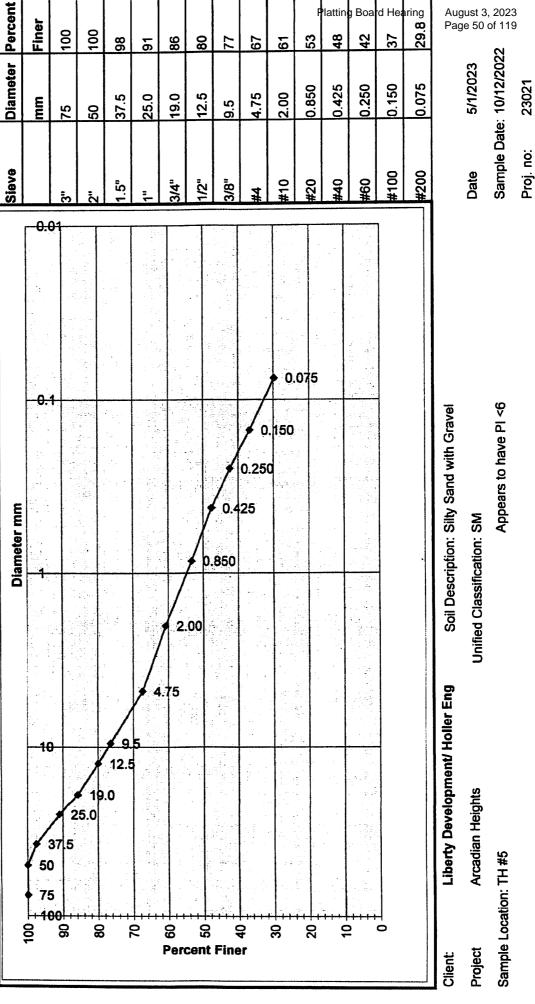
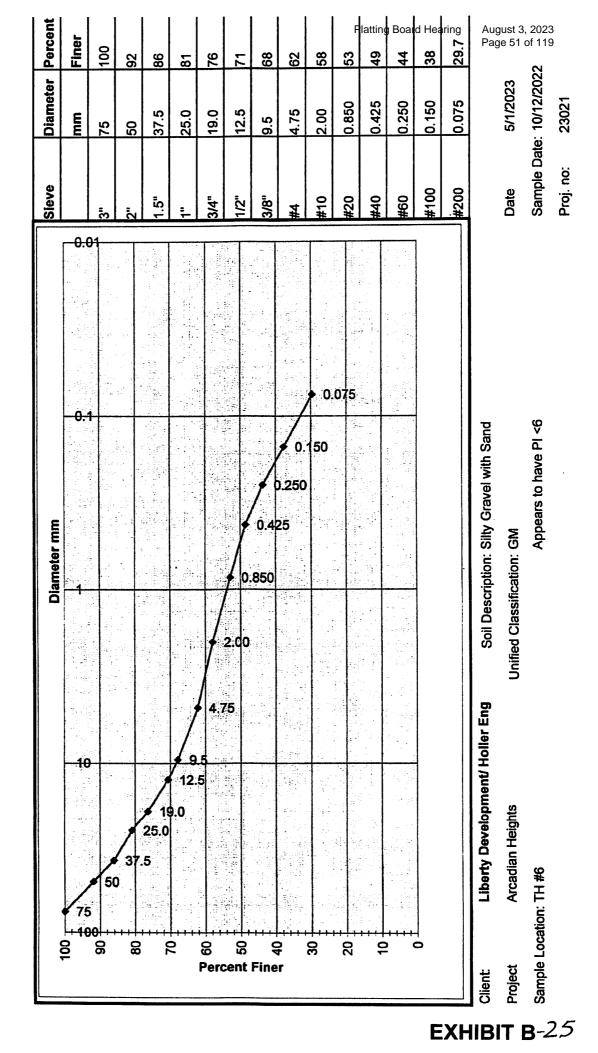


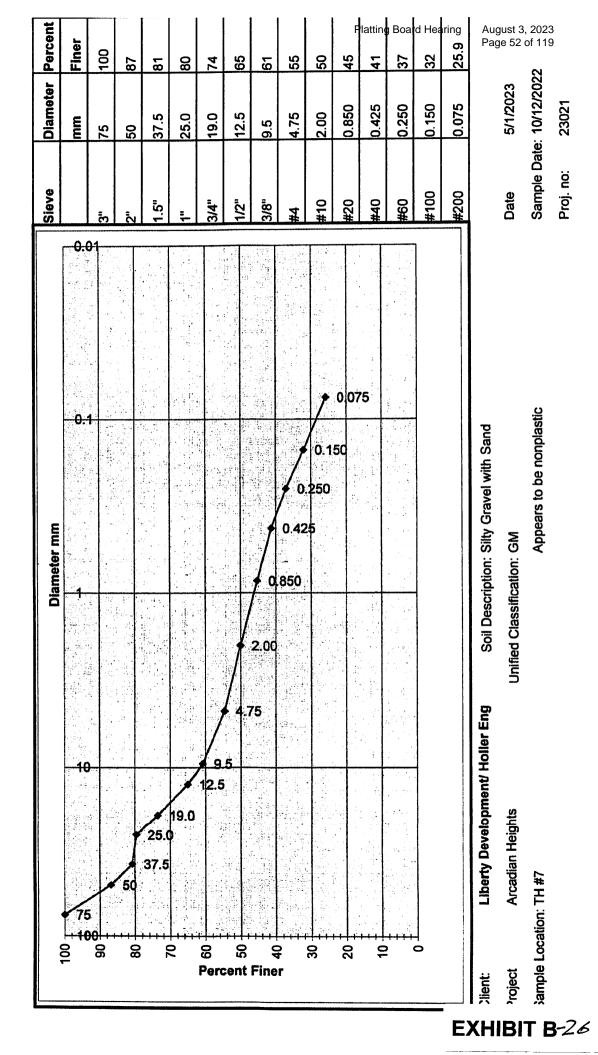
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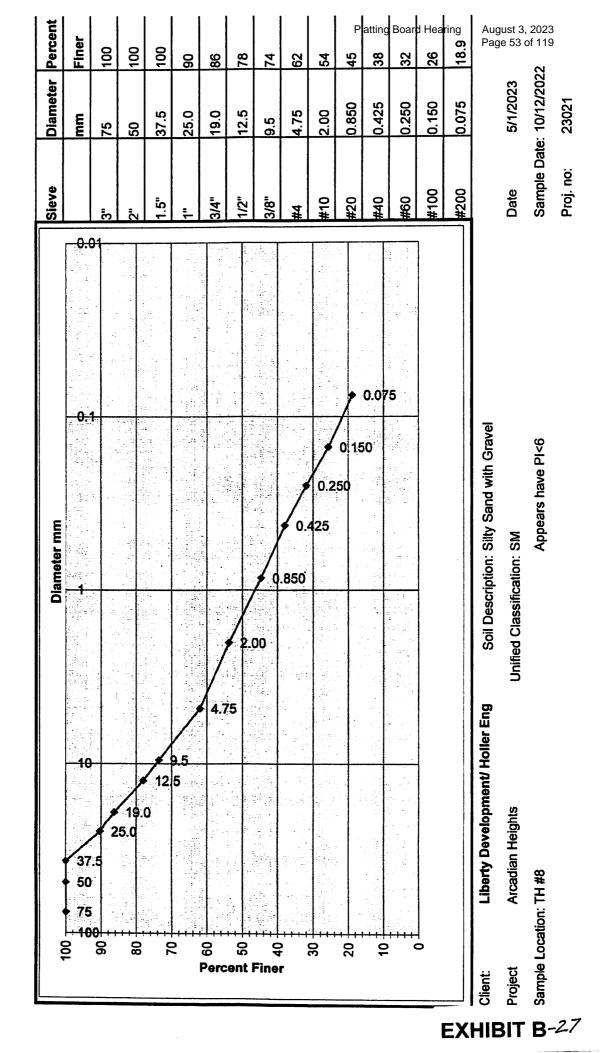


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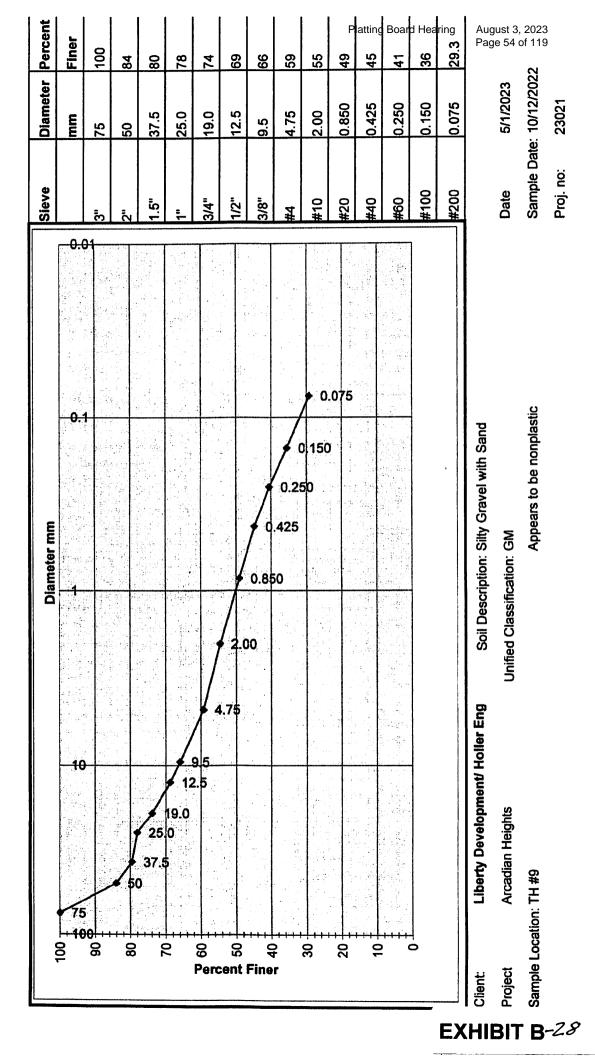


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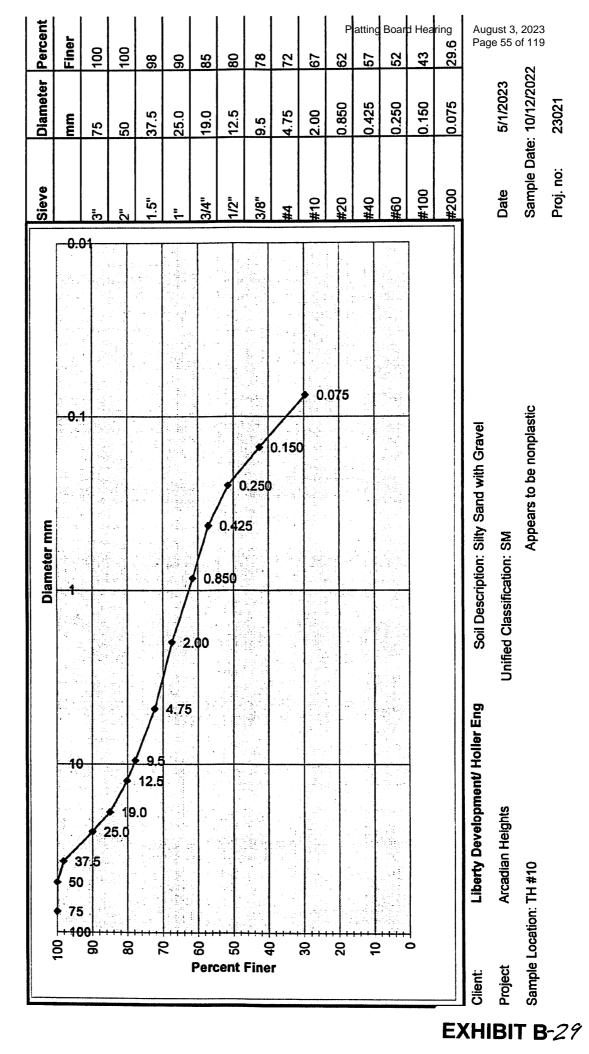


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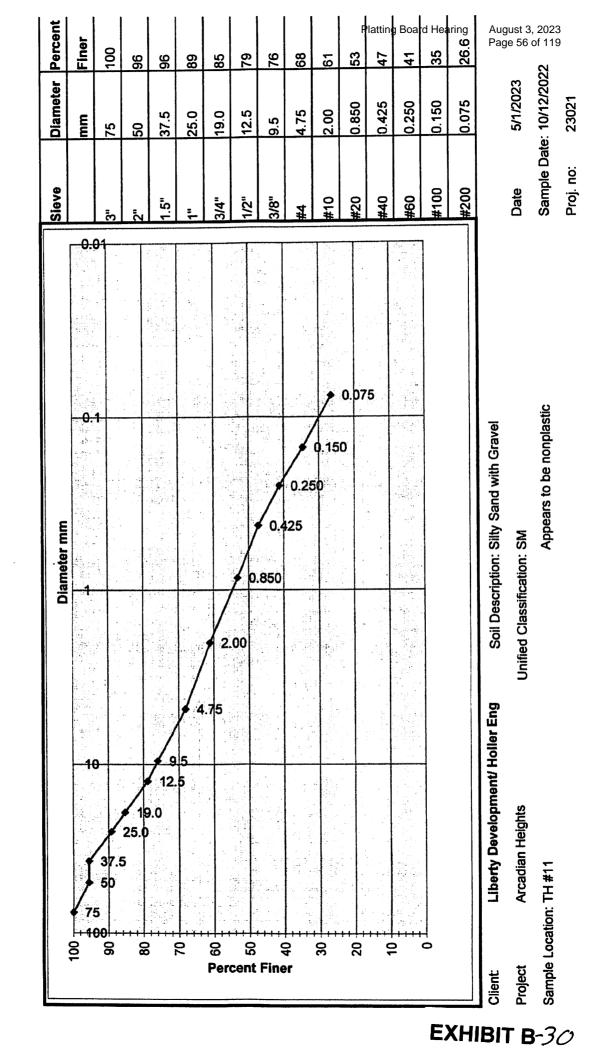


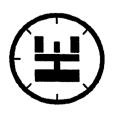
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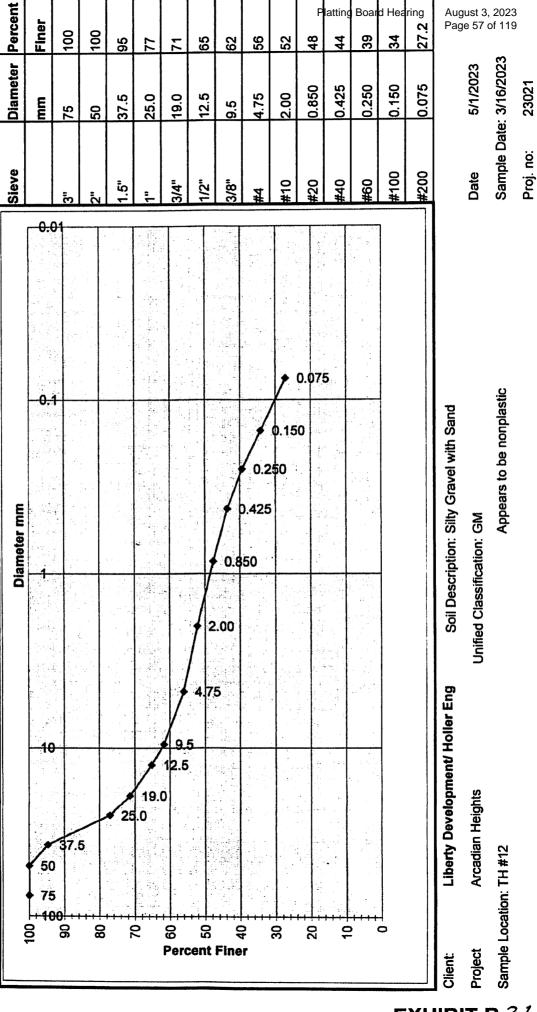


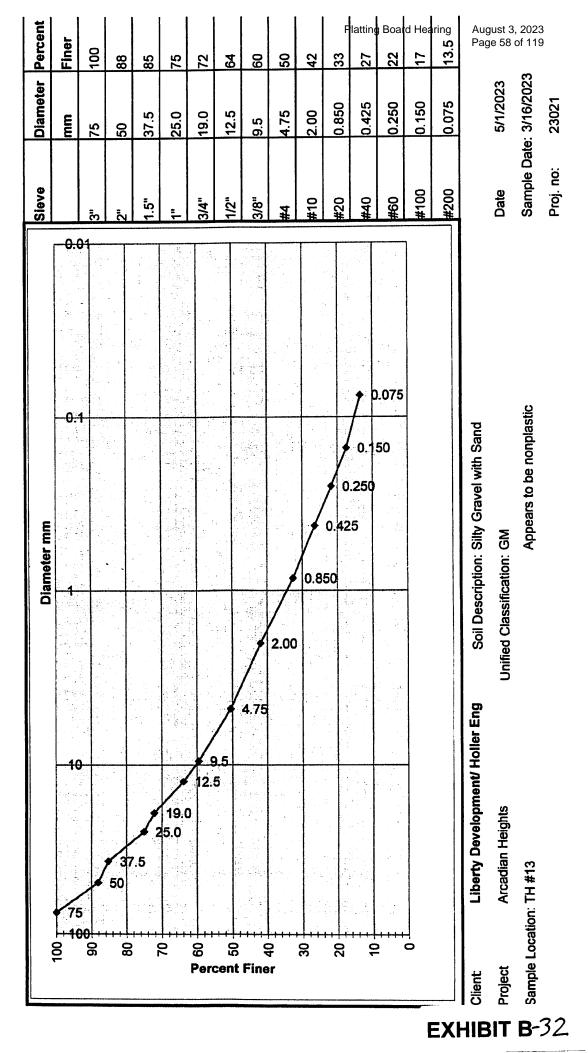
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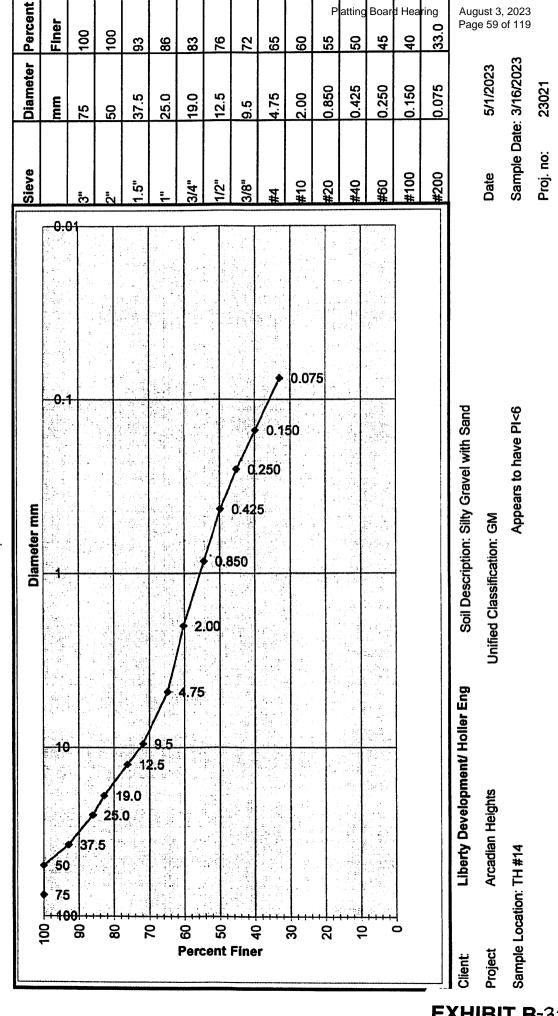


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## SECTION LINE EASEMENT RESEARCH <u>ARCADIAN HEIGHTS</u> TOWNSHIP 17 NORTH, RANGE 01 WEST PORTIONS OF SECTIONS 17 AND 18

The section line between Sections 17 and 18, Township 17 North, Range 01 West was surveyed and the survey approved by the U.S. Surveyor General's Office on February 19, 1915.

The subject parcel in Section 17 and the land directly to the south in Section 17, was patented to Everett Calder by Federal Patent # 1226177. Entry date was on November 18, 1957. There is a 33' Section Line easement on this parcel.

To the southwest of the subject parcel in Section 18, the land was patented to Russell Roy Mack by Federal Patent # 1126688. Entry date was on October 29, 1947. There is a 33' Section Line easement on this parcel.

To the west of the subject parcel in Section 18, the land was patented to Ralph C. Crothers by Federal Patent # 1130859. Entry date was on March 30, 1949. There is a 33' Section Line easement on this parcel.

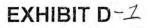
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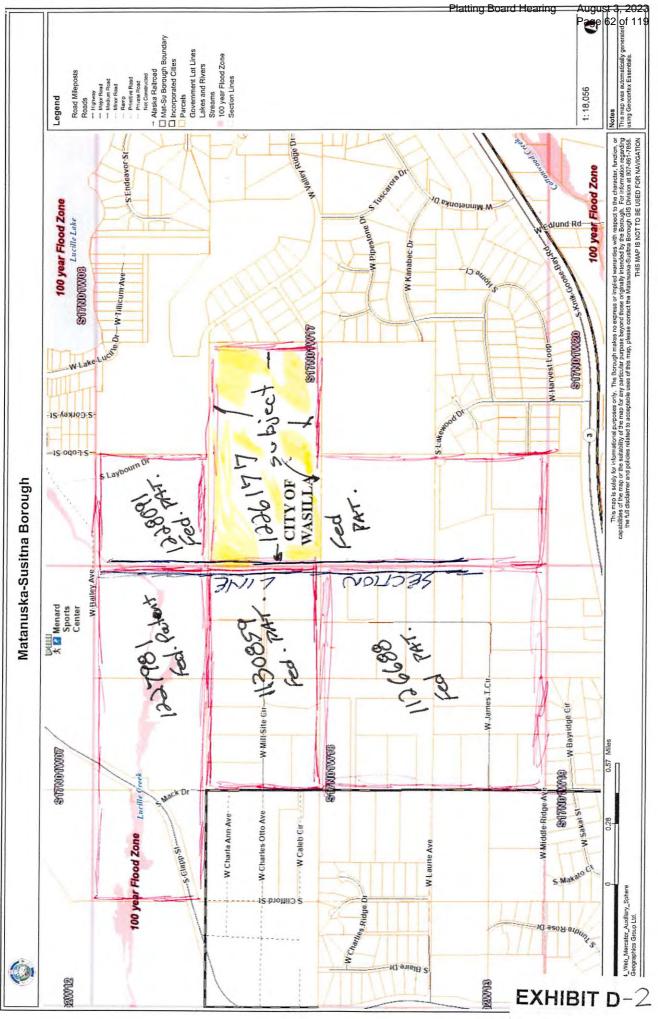
To the north of the subject parcel in Section 17, the land was patented to Ethel M. Mills by Federal Patent # 1228091. Entry date was on December 30, 1957. There is a 33' Section Line easement on this parcel.

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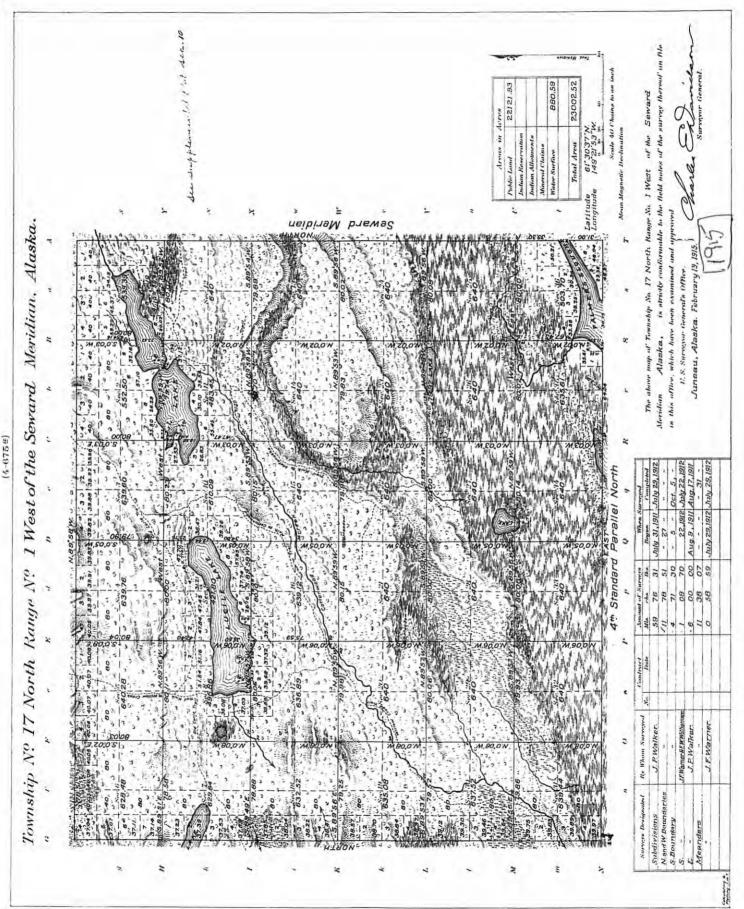


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# VARIANCE APPLICATION

This application is to the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Platting Board for a variance from the Subdivision Ordinance, Title 43. The application must include all of the information listed below. Incomplete applications will not be processed.

#### Legal description of property:

An application for a variance from a requirement of Title 43 shall contain:

- 1. The preliminary plat to which the variance pertains or, if presented separately, a graphic representation of what the future platting project would entail;
- 2. A description of the variance requested including the code section reference;
- 3. Explain the special circumstances for the variance *on separate pages*, addressing criteria A, B, & C as required in MSB 43.15.075.
  - A. The granting of the variance shall not be detrimental to the public health, safety or welfare, or injurious to adjacent property; and
  - B. The variance request is based upon conditions of the property that are atypical to other properties; and
  - C. Because of unusual physical surroundings, shape, or topographical conditions of the property for which the variance is sought, or because of the taking of a part of the property through condemnation or because of surrounding development or conditions, the strict application of MSB 43.20 shall result in undue substantial hardship to the owner of the property.

I, <u>Bill Kramer</u> the owner (or owner's representative) of the above described property apply for a variance from Section 43.20.300 (3)(a) of the Borough Code in order to allow: <u>Utilities within the flag pole.</u>

(Variances from Road Design Standards are variances from MSB 43.20.140, described within the Subdivision Construction Manual).

 APPLICANT Name: LIBERTY DEVELOPMENT, LLC
 OR Mailing Address: P.O. BOX 99652, BIG LAKE, ALASKA 99652 &
 OWNER RS ENTERPRISES, LLC- 16675 NW 130<sup>TH</sup> ST., PLATTE CITY, MO 64079 Contact Person: <u>BILL KRAMER – (907) 440-5000</u>

SURVEYOR Name (FIRM): <u>KEYSTONE SURVEYING & MAPPING</u> Mailing Address: <u>P.O. BOX 2216, PALMER, ALASKA Zip: 99645</u> Contact Person: <u>GARY LoRUSSO</u> Phone: <u>376-7811</u>

# EXHIBIT E-1

# VARIANCE SUBMITTAL

# **ARCADIAN HEIGHTS**

This is a request for variance to MSB 43.20.300(3)(a) –utilities within the flag pole.

This variance will not be detrimental to public health, safety or welfare, or injurious to adjacent property.

There are 2 parcels involved. Lot 1, Block 3 and Lot 1, Block 4. Both lots are constrained by topography.

Lot 1, Block 3 is a 2 acre lot. The minimum pole with is 40' for this lot. The pole portion as designed is 70' wide. That leaves 40 feet outside of the utility easement. Because the MEA easement is pre-existing and is located along where the pole portion of the lot there is no way to separate the easement from the pole portion as it would create a 30' strip of no-man's land. The actual location of the power poles within the MEA easement are approximately 17' east of the westerly subdivision boundary. This leaves 53' in which to build a driveway. Driveways are typically between 14-18' wide. There is no conflict here. There is no harm to anyone by allowing the variance.

Lot 1, Block 4 is a 4 acre lot. The minimum pole with is 60' for this lot. The pole portion as designed is 70' wide. That leaves 40 feet outside of the utility easement. Because the MEA easement is pre-existing and is located along where the pole portion of the lot there is no way to separate the easement from the pole portion as it would create a 30' strip of no-man's land. The actual location of the power poles within the MEA easement are approximately 17' east of the westerly subdivision boundary. This leaves 53' in which to build a driveway. Driveways are typically between 14-18' wide. There is no conflict here. There is no harm to anyone by allowing the variance.

Generally this type of situation is not found where the utility easement is along the exterior of a subdivision and between the subdivision boundary and close to a topographically challenging land feature. Both parcels need to be flag lots. Otherwise the lot design would be horrible with lots of usable on 2 lots and hardly any usable on 2 lots. This would not create a good situation for future lot owners.

Because of the pre-existing status of the MEA easement there is no way to <u>NOT</u> have the utilities within the pole portion of these lots. Adding another 5 feet to the pole widths does not serve a purpose as there is more than ample room (53 feet) in which to build a typical driveway of 14-18 feet width. Lot 2, Block 3 and Lot 2, Block 4 are constrained by topography. The additional 5 foot width (70' to 75') causes further restrictions on the usable building area and diminishes the desirability of both lots. We try to make the best lots we can. Again, the added 5 feet would serve no purpose. A 60 foot wide flagpole would be sufficient and we are already 10 feet wider than that. Matanuska-Susitna Borough Telephone (907) 861-7874 Platting Board Hearing August 3, 2023 Page 72 of 119 350 East Dahlia Avenue Palmer, Alaska 99645-6488

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  - B. The variance request is based upon conditions of the property that are atypical to other properties; and
  - C. Because of unusual physical surroundings, shape, or topographical conditions of the property for which the variance is sought, or because of the taking of a part of the property through condemnation or because of surrounding development or conditions, the strict application of MSB 43.20 shall result in undue substantial hardship to the owner of the property.

I, <u>Bill Kramer</u> the owner (or owner's representative) of the above described property apply for a variance from Section 43.20.300 (A) of the Borough Code in order to allow: Block 4 to be slightly longer than 3000'

(Variances from Road Design Standards are variances from MSB 43.20.140, described within the Subdivision Construction Manual).

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# VARIANCE SUBMITTAL

## **ARCADIAN HEIGHTS**

This is a request for variance to MSB 43.20.300 – Block length as Block 4 slightly exceeds 3000' due to topographic constraints.

This variance will not be detrimental to public health, safety or welfare, or injurious to adjacent property. To the contrary, it will protect the aforementioned items. This subdivision has extreme topographical relief. W. Powder Ridge Drive parallels a bluff to the north. The bluff is approximately 50 feet high with grades exceeding 45%. Impracticable to construct a MSB standard road. Trying to create a road down the bluff would serve no purpose. It would require massive amounts of earthwork – cuts and fills- that would decimate the natural environment, create drainage issues for this and adjoining property and would have to connect to the Public Use Easement that runs along the north boundary of this subdivision thereby creating another access to what is classified as a future collector road / bypass.

The length of the proposed W. Powder Ridge Drive is 3008 feet from its intersection with W. Valley ridge Road westward to the west boundary of the subdivision which makes the length of Block 4 eight feet longer than 3000 feet or <u>0.25%</u> past the 3000'. The actual construction will be less than 3000'. This situation is not typical. Normally there would be some location to place a road that is both functional AND desirable. That is not the case here. Access to Tract Z is shown as a flagpole. This was necessary to meet MSB code due to future access to Tract Z being through a phase of Valley Ridge ( a previously approved Master Plan). There is no timetable for when the future access will be created. The flagpole portion of Tract Z is not suitable or desirable for a MSB standard road. There is no other option for access to Tract Z that meets MSB code. This requested variance is to Block length of Block 4. Tract Z is compliant as shown.

As stated above there are extreme topographical constraints, no purpose for a road right of way that is not constructable, no desire to place another intersection on a future road corridor and really no other way to make Block 4 compliant. Blocks 2 and 3 to the south of proposed W. Powder Ridge Drive are separated by proposed S. Braxton Drive. There is no need for a variance on this side of the road as S. Braxton Drive is constructable.



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#### PETITION FOR ELIMINATION OR MODIFICATION OF UTILITY, DRAINAGE, SANITATION, AND SCREENING EASEMENTS

Comes now the undersigned, <u>LIBERTY DEVELOPMENT, LLC</u>, and petitions the Matanuska-Susitna Borough to eliminate or modify the *utility, slope, snow storage, drainage, sanitation, buffers or screening easement(s)* lying within the following described property, to-wit: LOTS 1,2 AND 3, BLOCK 6, VALLEY RIDGE PHASE 2, PLAT # 2022-113 CCCI//CD

Said easement(s) being more fully described as: <u>SEE ATTACHED -</u>

NOTE: Utility easement eliminations may require non-objection letters from the service area utility companies as a condition of approval, see MSB 43.15.032.

Submitted herewith are the following:

- 1. A copy of the as-built showing the easement(s) to be vacated/modified (if due to encroachment)
- 2. \$300.00 Public Hearing Fee (no fee if submitted with Regular Plat)

The action sought by this petition is for the following reasons: (ATTACH PAGES, IF NEEDED)

We are creating a public right of way dedication. This will eliminate the MSB utility easement where the road dedication will be placed. We are granting utility easements along both sides of the new road dedication

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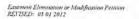
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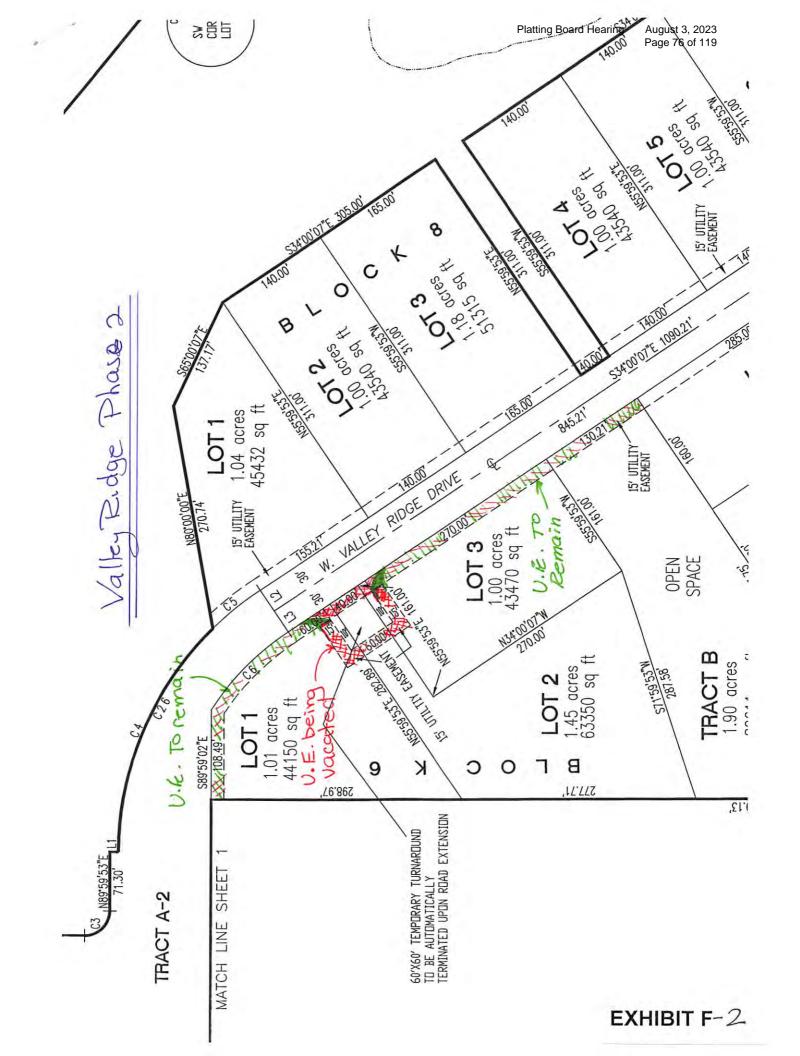
THE APPLICATION HAS BEEN REVIEWED AND FOUND TO MEET SUBMITTAL STANDARDS AS NOTED ABOVE.

Matthew Julion PLATTING DIVISION REPRESENTATIVE une 8, 2023

SCHEDULED FOR PUBLIC HEARING ON: August 3, 2023







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<ul> <li>Completion of Matanu</li> <li>No clearing permitted</li> <li>All clearing must com</li> <li>Temp turnaround will</li> <li>As other phases surfaced</li> </ul>	Completion of Matanuska-Borough platting process prior to any clearing or construction, except as permitted in Condition #1. No clearing permitted until land use permit approved for proposed use/structure, except as permitted in Condition #1. All clearing must comply with WMC 16.33.050 and Condition #1. Temp turnaround will be needed between Lot 102 & 106, no road name or I would have used it to describe.	August 3, Page 77 o
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**EXHIBIT G** 

#### **Matthew Goddard**

From: Sent: To: Cc: Subject: Daniel Dahms Thursday, June 29, 2023 1:42 PM Matthew Goddard Tammy Simmons; Brad Sworts; Jamie Taylor RE: RFC Arcadian Heights (MG)

Matthew,

No comments from PD&E.

Daniel Dahms, PE Department of Public Works Pre-Design and Engineering Division

From: Matthew Goddard <Matthew.Goddard@matsugov.us>

Sent: Friday, June 9, 2023 3:05 PM

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Hello,

The following link is a request for comments for the proposed Arcadian Heights Master Plan. Please ensure all comments have been submitted by June 30, 2023 so they can be incorporated in the staff report that will be presented to the Platting Board.

Arcadian Heights MSP

Feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Matthew Goddard Platting Technician 907-861-7881 <u>Matthew.Goddard@matsugov.us</u>

EXHIBIT H

#### Matthew Goddard

From: Sent: To: Subject: Permit Center Friday, June 9, 2023 3:08 PM Matthew Goddard RE: RFC Arcadian Heights (MG)

No comments.

Thank you,

Jennifer Monnin, CFM Permit Technician 350 E Dahlia Ave Palmer, AK 99645 Jennifer.monnin@matsugov.us 907-861-7822

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Sent: Friday, June 9, 2023 3:05 PM

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#### Arcadian Heights MSP

Feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Matthew Goddard Platting Technician 907-861-7881 <u>Matthew.Goddard@matsugov.us</u>

## EXHIBIT I



ENSTAR Natural Gas Company, LLC Engineering Department, Right of Way Section 401 E. International Airport Road P. O. Box 190288 Anchorage, Alaska 99519-0288 (907) 277-5551 FAX (907) 334-7798

June 13, 2023

Matanuska-Susitna Borough, Platting Division 350 East Dahlia Avenue Palmer, AK 99645-6488

To whom it may concern:

ENSTAR Natural Gas Company has reviewed the following preliminary plat and has no comments or recommendations.

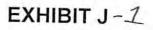
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If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 334-7944 or by email at james.christopher@enstarnaturalgas.com.

Sincerely,

James Christopher

James Christopher Right of Way & Compliance Technician ENSTAR Natural Gas Company, LLC



#### **Matthew Goddard**

From:	OSP Design Group <ospdesign@gci.com></ospdesign@gci.com>
Sent:	Wednesday, June 28, 2023 2:51 PM
To:	Matthew Goddard
Cc:	OSP Design Group
Subject:	RE: RFC Arcadian Heights (MG)
Attachments:	RFC Packet.pdf; Agenda Plat.pdf

[EXTERNAL EMAIL - CAUTION: Do not open unexpected attachments or links.] Matthew,

In review GCI has no comments or objections to the plat, attached is the signed plat for your records.

Thanks, MIREYA ARMESTO GCI | Technician II, GIS Mapping m: 907-744-5166 | w: <u>www.gci.com</u>

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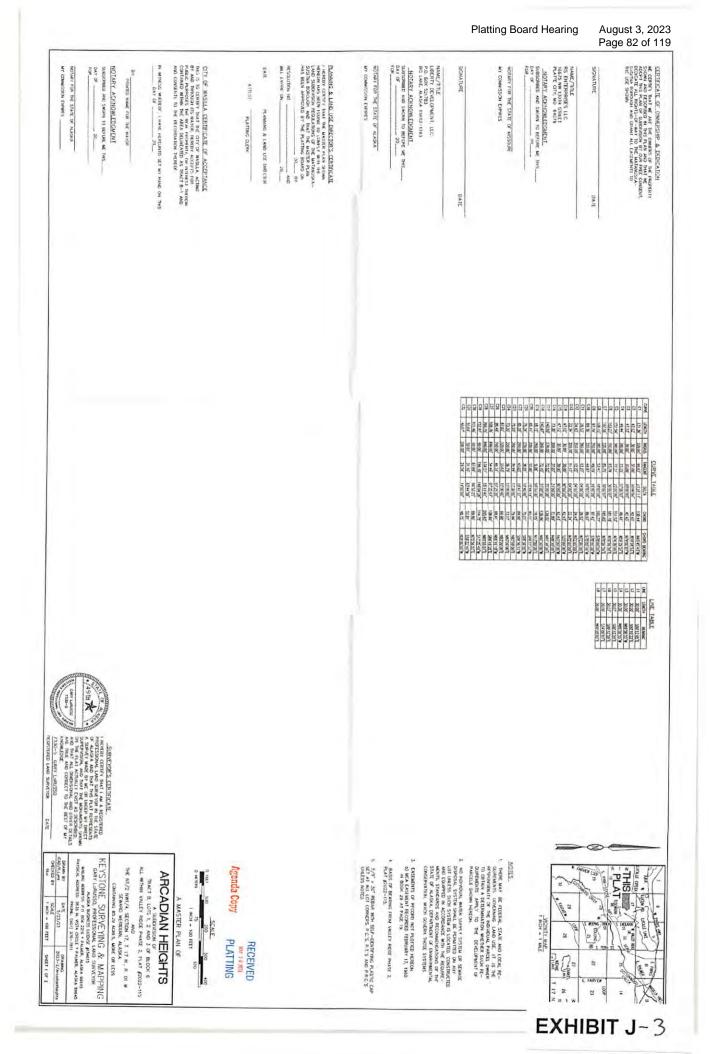
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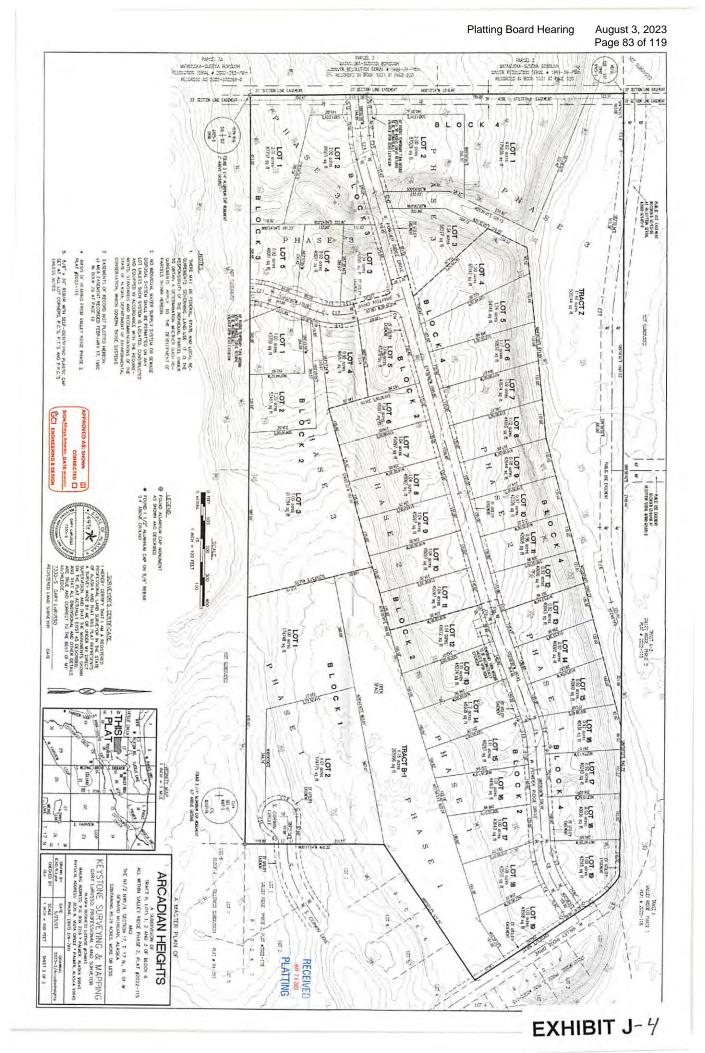
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#### MATANUSKA ELECTRIC ASSOCIATION, INC. LETTER OF NON-OBJECTION

Date: July 17, 2023

Matanuska Susitna Borough Platting Division Matthew Goddard 350 East Dahlia Avenue Palmer, Alaska 99645

Re: Letter of Non-objection Lots 1, 2 & 3, Valley Ridge Phase 2 Plat 2022-115

Dear Mr. Goddard,

MEA has no objection to the vacation of 15 feet wide Utility Easement within Lots 1, 2 & 3, Valley Ridge Phase 2, Subdivision, Plat Number 2022-115, within Section 17, T17N, R1W, S.M., as shown in the drawing dated May 15<sup>th</sup>, 2023,on page 2. Said easement established to accommodate a temporary Turnaround is no longer needed since the Turnaround is being terminated.

Sinceren

Manny Lopez, SR/WA MEA Land Service Manageo P.O. Box 2929 Palmer, Alaska 99645

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#### Matthew Goddard

From: Sent: To: Subject: Cayla Ronken <cronken@mtasolutions.com> Tuesday, June 13, 2023 3:53 PM Matthew Goddard RE: RFC Arcadian Heights (MG)

[EXTERNAL EMAIL - CAUTION: Do not open unexpected attachments or links.] Hi Matthew,

Thank you for reaching out. MTA has no comments to add.

Thank you,

#### Cayla Ronken, Right of Way Agent

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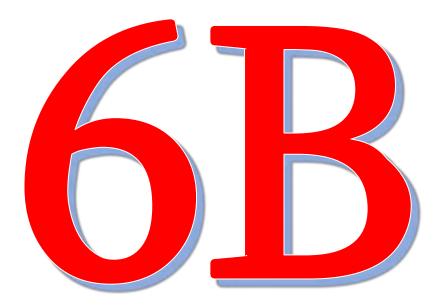
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## STAFF REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATIONS PUBLIC HEARING August 3, 2023

PRELIMINARY PLAT:	LECACY HILLS ESTATES	
LEGAL DESCRIPTION:	SEC 14, T17N, R02W, SEWARD MERII	DIAN AK
PETITIONERS:	LINDA HENDRICKSON, MICHELLE C	CLAPP, MARK VAN BUSKIRK
SURVEYOR/ENGINEER:	BULL MOOSE SURVEYING, LLC / HO	OLLER ENGINEERING
ACRES: 20.09 <u>+</u>	PARCELS: 12	
<b>REVIEWED BY:</b>	CHRIS CURLIN	CASE #: 2023-064

**REQUEST**: The request is to create 12 lots from Tax Parcel D5 (Parcel 1, MSB Waiver 75-52, recorded as 79-215w), to be known as **LEGACY HILLS ESTATES**, containing 20.09 acres +/-. The property is located directly west of S. Foothills Boulevard, east of S. Vine Road, and north of S. Knik-Goose Bay Road. (Tax ID # 17N02W14D005); within the SE 1/4 Section 14, Township 17 North, Range 02 West, Seward Meridian, Alaska. In the Meadow Lakes Community Council and in Assembly District #4.

#### **EXHIBITS**

Vicinity Map and Aerial Photos	EXHIBIT A – 4 pgs
Geotechnical Report	EXHIBIT B – 11 pgs
Road Design and Profile	EXHIBIT C – 1 pg
Topo and As-Built	<b>EXHIBIT D</b> – 1 pg
AGENCY COMMENTS	
Department of Public Works	<b>EXHIBIT E</b> – 1 pg
Meadow Lakes Community Council	<b>EXHIBIT F</b> – 1 pg
Utilities	EXHIBIT G – 4 pgs
Public	EXHIBIT H – 1 pg

**DISCUSSION**: The proposed subdivision is creating 12 lots from Tax Parcel D5, ranging in size from 1.27 acres to 2.55 acres. Access for the proposed lots will be from a proposed road ending in a temporary culde-sac. The proposed road will be named W. Hendrickson Lane. The petitioner will be dedicating and constructing the road to MSB residential street standard (see *Recommendation #5*), to serve as access for Lots 1-12 from S. Foothills Boulevard.

<u>Access</u>: Legal and physical access to the proposed lots is required pursuant to MSB 43.20.100 Access Required, MSB 43.20.120 Legal Access and MSB 43.20.140 Physical Access. Access requirements will be met once interior street and cul-de-sac are constructed. **Soils Report**: A geotechnical report was submitted (Exhibit B), pursuant to MSB 43.20.281(A). Curtis Holler, PE, notes that five test holes were dug to a minimum depth of 16'. The test holes are shown on the Test Hole Location map as seen at (Exhibit B). No water or impervious layer was present in the Test Holes. Two sieve tests were performed on Test Holes 3 and 5, with soils classified as GM and fines content of 20% and 27%. Existing soils information (test hole #1 dated 2016) along with neighboring soils information, aerial imagery, topography and site observation were also reviewed. Topography is such to allow for 10,000 square feet of continuous usable septic area and 10,000 square feet of usable building area for each of the proposed lots per MSB 43.20.281 and MSB 43.05.005 respectively. Road Design and Profile (Exhibit C) and Topographic map and as-built and were also provided. (Exhibit D)

#### Comments:

Department of Public Works (Exhibit E) Applicant should work with platting to resolve easement overlap issues within newly dedicated 50' road ROW for foothills Blvd. Work with MSB Permitting for issuance of permits for existing utilities within the road ROW. *Staff notes the issue has been resolved with platting staff with a minor alteration to width of S. Foothills Boulevard ROW dedication. Petitioner is dedicating the 33' wide section line easement instead of 50'.* 

Meadow Lakes Community Council: (Exhibit F) has no objections to this proposed subdivision.

<u>Utilities</u>: (Exhibit G) Enstar has no comments or recommendations. GCI has no comments or objections. MTA has no comments. MEA did not respond.

<u>Public</u>: (Exhibit H) Sharon Groomer, owner of Tax Parcel D2, to the north, has concerns about the wells and septic systems and if the boundary line between her parcel and the subdivision will be re-established as portions of it are not clear of vegetation.

At the time of staff report write-up, there were no responses to the Request for Comments from DNR Division of Mining/Land/Water; ADF&G; US Army Corps of Engineers; Fire Service Area #132 Central Matsu; Road Service Area #17 Knik; MSB Emergency Services, Community Development, Assessments or Planning; or MEA.

<u>CONCLUSION</u>: The preliminary plat of LEGACY HILLS ESTATES is consistent with AS 29.40.070 Platting Regulations and MSB 43.15.016 Preliminary Plats. There were no objections from any federal or state agencies, Borough departments, or utilities. There were no objections to the plat from the public in response to the Notice of Public Hearing. Legal and physical access will exist to the proposed lots, consistent with MSB 43.20.100 Access Required, MSB 43.20.120 Legal Access and MSB 43.20.140 Physical Access. Frontage for the subdivision will exist, pursuant to MSB 43.20.320 Frontage. A soils report was submitted, pursuant to MSB 43.20.218(A)(1).

#### FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. The plat of Legacy Hills Estates is consistent with AS 29.40.070 Platting Regulations and MSB 43.15.016 Preliminary Plats.
- 2. A soils report was submitted, pursuant to MSB 43.20.281(A)(1).
- 3. All lots will have the required legal and physical access pursuant to MSB 43.20.100 Access Required, MSB 43.20.120 Legal Access and MSB 43.20.140 Physical Access.

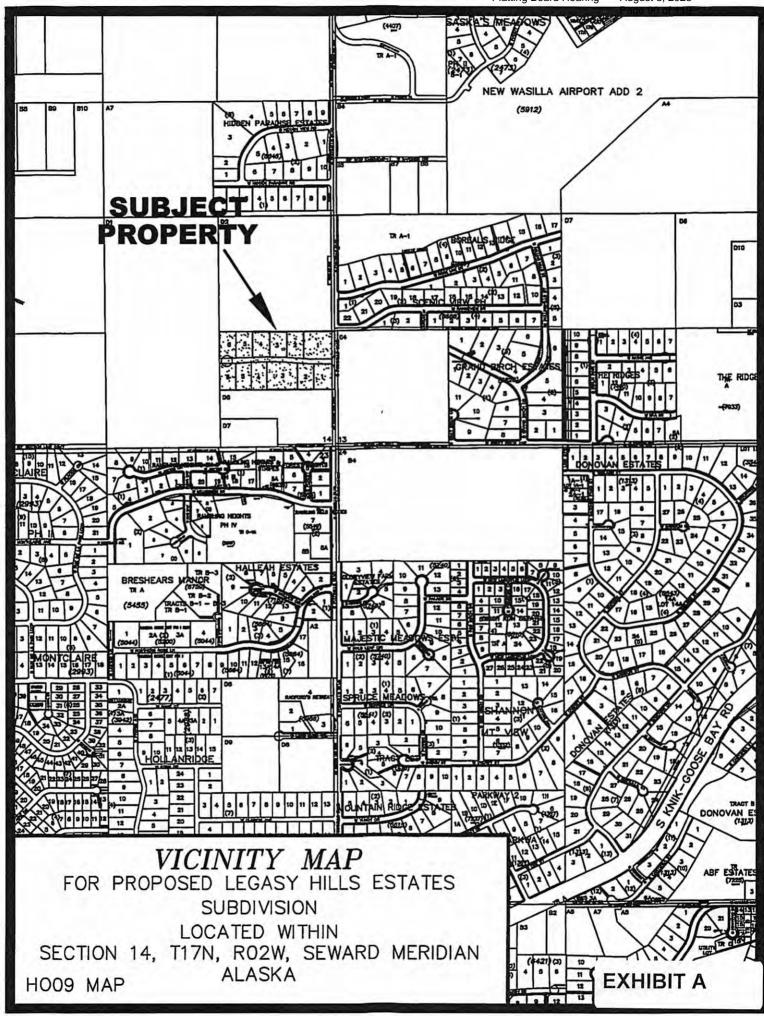
- 4. All lots will have the required frontage once construction of the internal road has been completed, pursuant to MSB 43.20.320 Frontage.
- 5. At the time of staff report write-up, there were no responses to the Request for Comments from DNR Division of Mining/Land/Water; US Army Corps of Engineers; Fire Service Area #130 Central Mat-Su; Road Service Area #17 Knik; MSB Emergency Services, Community Development, Assessments or Planning; or MEA.
- 6. There were no objections from any federal or state agencies, Borough departments, or utilities.
- 7. There were no objections from the public in response to the Notice of Public Hearing.

#### **RECOMMENDATIONS OF CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL**

Suggested motion: I move to approve the preliminary plat of Legacy Hills Estates, Section 14, Township 17 North, Range 02 West, Seward Meridian, Alaska, contingent on staff recommendations

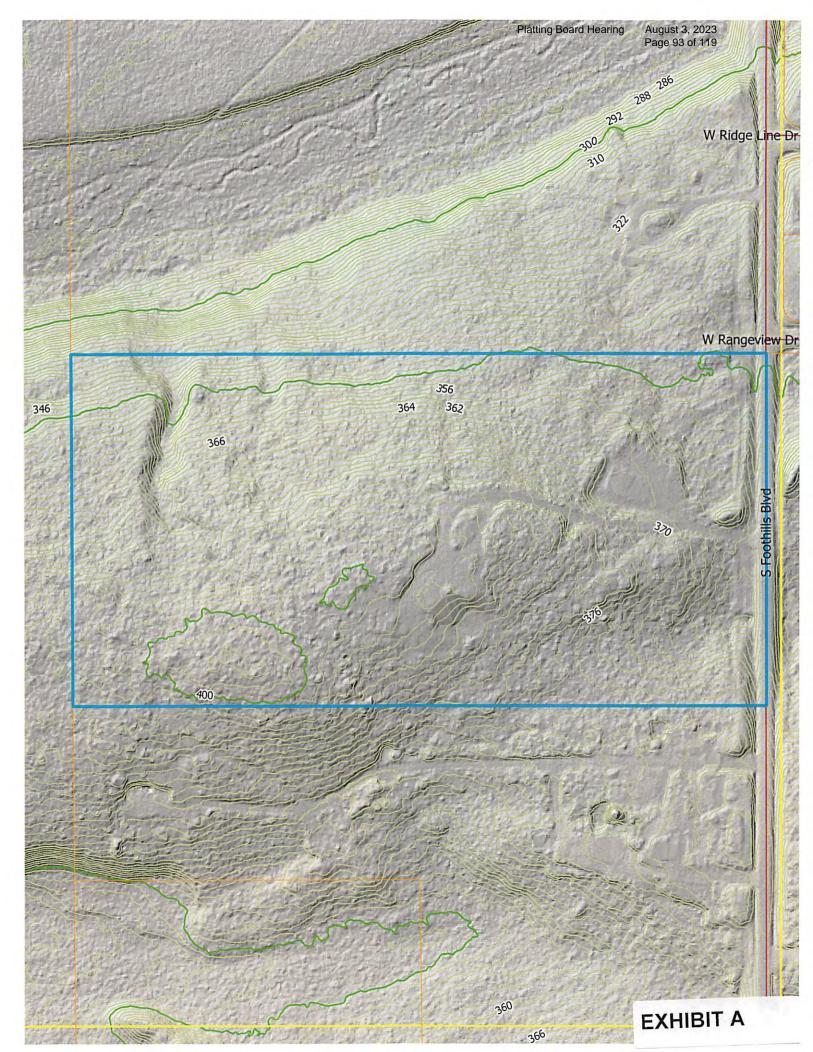
- 1. Taxes and special assessments must be paid in full for the year of recording, pursuant to MSB 43.15.053(F) and AS 40.15.020. Pay taxes and special assessments (LIDs), by CERTIFIED FUNDS OR CASH.
- 2. Provide updated Certificate to Plat executed within seven (7) days of recording of plat and submit Beneficiary Affidavit for any holders of a beneficial interest.
- 3. Pay postage and advertising fees.
- 4. Provide Platting Staff copies of permits/application for all existing accesses.
- 5. Construct interior street and cul-de-sac to Residential Street standard according to the 2022 Subdivision Construction Manual (SCM):
  - a) Submit drainage report and other construction plans to Department of Public Works (DPW) per SCM F01.2;
  - b) Arrange preconstruction conference with DPW per SCM F01.3, sign Subdivision Construction Plan, pay inspection fee, and obtain Notice to Proceed from Platting staff;
  - c) Arrange Pre-Final and Final Inspections with DPW per SCM F01.6 and F01.7 and submit Final Report to Platting per F01.8;
  - d) Obtain Certificate of Construction Acceptance from DPW per F01.9.
  - e) Submit as-built of streets and drainage improvements to Platting staff once construction is complete.
  - f) Obtain approval of street names from Platting Assistant.
- 6. Show all easements of record on final plat.
- 7. Submit recording fees, payable to Department of Natural Resources (DNR).
- 8. Submit plat in full compliance with Title 43.













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May 8, 2023

RECEIVED MAY 1 7 2023 PLATTING

EXHIBIT B

Fred Wagner MSB Platting Officer 350 East Dahlia Avenue Palmer, Alaska 99645

Re: Legacy Hills Subdivision; Useable Areas, Topography, and Drainage HE #22028

Dear Mr. Wagner:

At the request of the project owner Alaska Royal Holdings, LLC, we have performed a soils review and related preliminary design work for the referenced proposed subdivision. The project will create 12 new lots from one existing parent parcel totaling 20 acres. Most lots are around 1.3 acres, with 2 larger lots. Our soils evaluation included logging 5 new testholes on the parent parcel, review of our existing soils information on the site, review of neighboring soils information, review of the provided topography information, review of aerial imagery, and our other observations at the site. See the attached testhole location and topography map for details.

<u>Topography.</u> The project site forms a rectangle shape west of and bordering S Foothills Blvd. A gentle ridge feature runs roughly from west to east, with the remainder of he area having a moderate slope to the north or south/southeast. One natural small gully runs from the ridge to the north near the west end. Minor regions containing steep slopes exceeding 25% were found on the parcel and have been delineated on the attached map; most are located in the northwest corner of the project. The total elevation differential indicated on the provided topographical map is approximately 78'.

<u>Soils & Vegetation.</u> The parent parcel contains an existing driveway for access to a residential building, and an apparent shop/garage with related outbuildings. The remaining native vegetation on the parent parcel primarily consists of second growth or mature growth trees of varying kinds. Most foliage consists of moderately spaced mature growth birch, spruce and cottonwood trees, with plenty of fallen beetle killed spruce. Lesser vegetation consisted of shrubs, mosses and grasses. Five new testholes were dug on the site on 4-13-23 to evaluate soil conditions; one existing testhole was previously logged on April 27, 2016. Near surface soils found in the testholes included a silty topsoil layer extending down to 3'. Receiving soils below the silts were typically either silty sands and gravels, or sands and gravels with a minor silt content; in general soils improved with depth. Holes were dug to depths of 16' to 19'. A percolation test was

performed in the 2016 hole, with results of 2.6 min/inch. Two sieve tests were performed on testholes 3 and 5, with soils classified as GM and fines contents of 20 and 27%. A copy of the testhole/percolation logs and the relevant location/topography map is attached.

<u>Groundwater</u>. Groundwater or staining was not encountered in any of the logged testholes. Groundwater is not expected to be a limiting factor for development of the proposed lots.

<u>Useable Areas.</u> The proposed lots have a few limitations on areas defined by MSB code as *useable septic area* or *useable building area*. Useable septic areas will be limited by setbacks to existing water wells, steep areas and related setbacks, lotlines and easements. For useable building area, lotlines, utility easements, and ROW/PUE setbacks will be limiting factors. For each of the proposed lots, adequate unencumbered area exists to meet the code requirements. Based on the available soils and water table information, topography, MSB Title 43 Code definitions, and our observations at the site, *each of the proposed lots will contain over 10,000 square feet of contiguous useable septic area*, *and an additional 10,000 square feet of useable building area*.

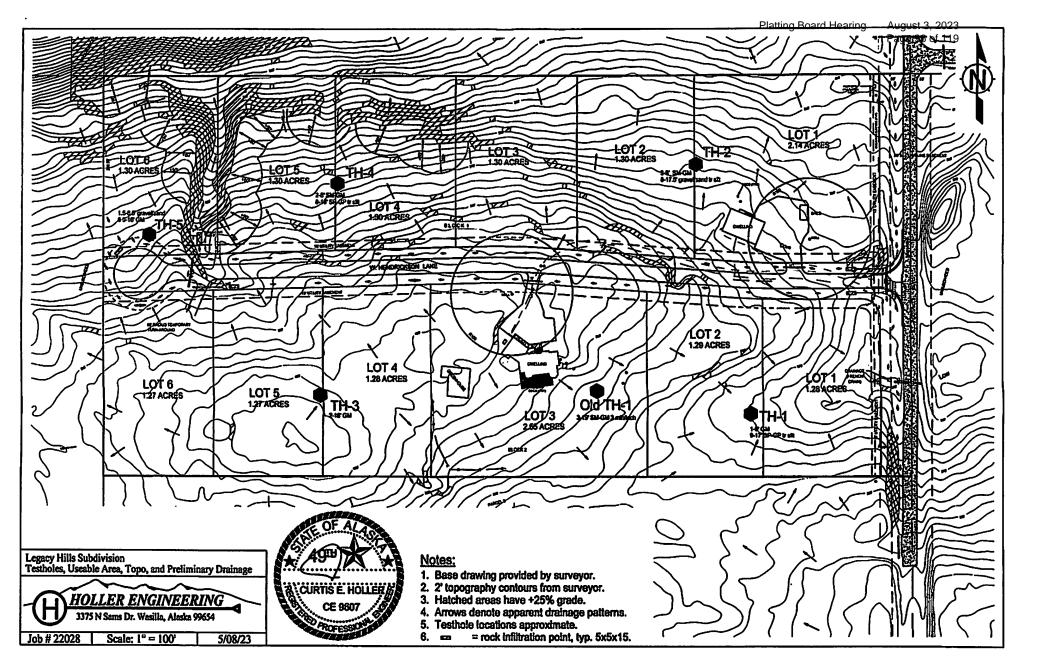
<u>Roads and Drainage</u>. Access for the proposed new lots will require the construction of approximately 1,300' of new road. Preliminary road designing indicates the maximum grade will be at or just over 6%. Soils may be mined on site, or imported. A preliminary drainage plan is attached, and general existing drainage patterns have also been indicated on the attached map.

Please do not hesitate to call with any other questions you may have.

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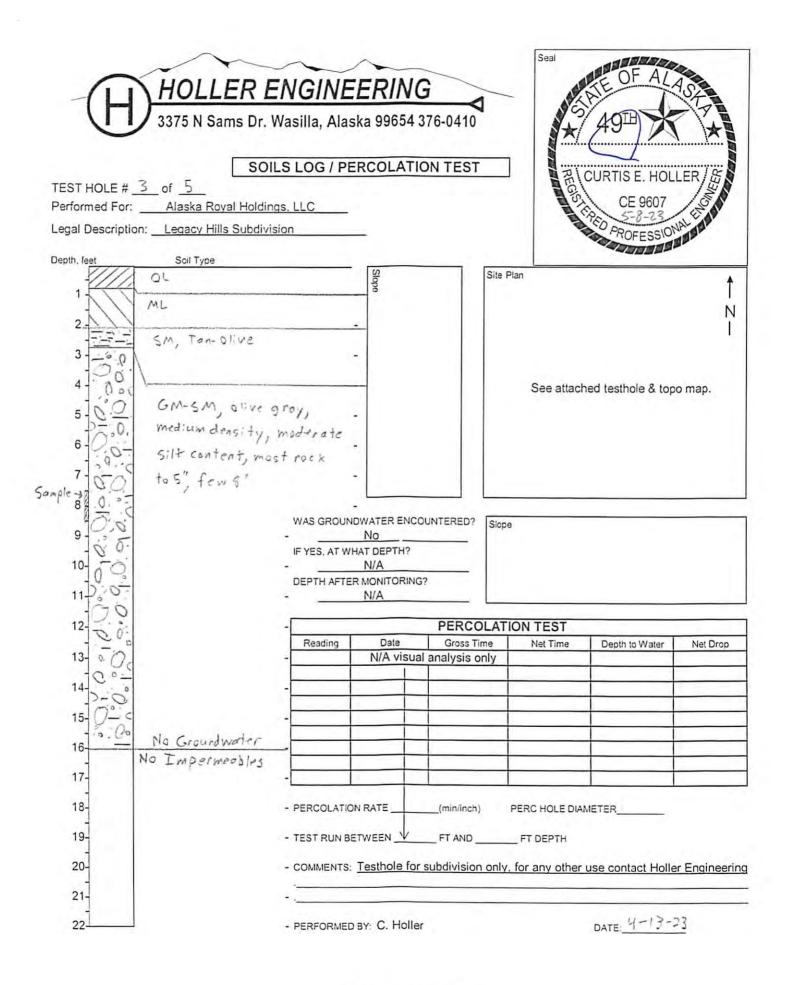
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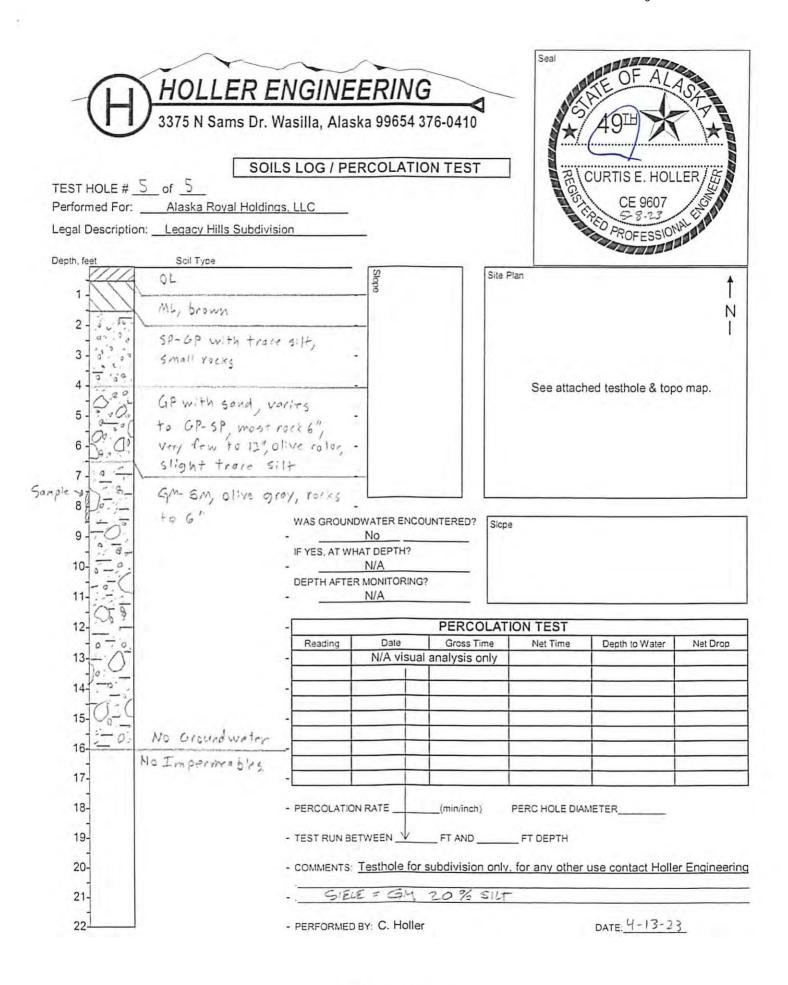
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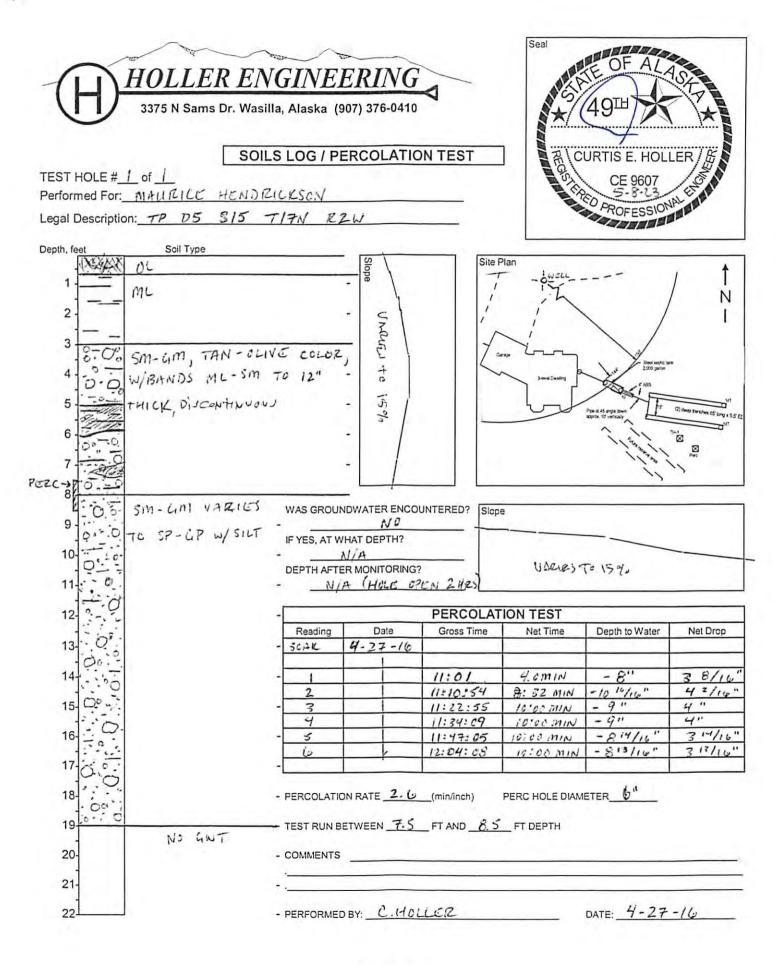
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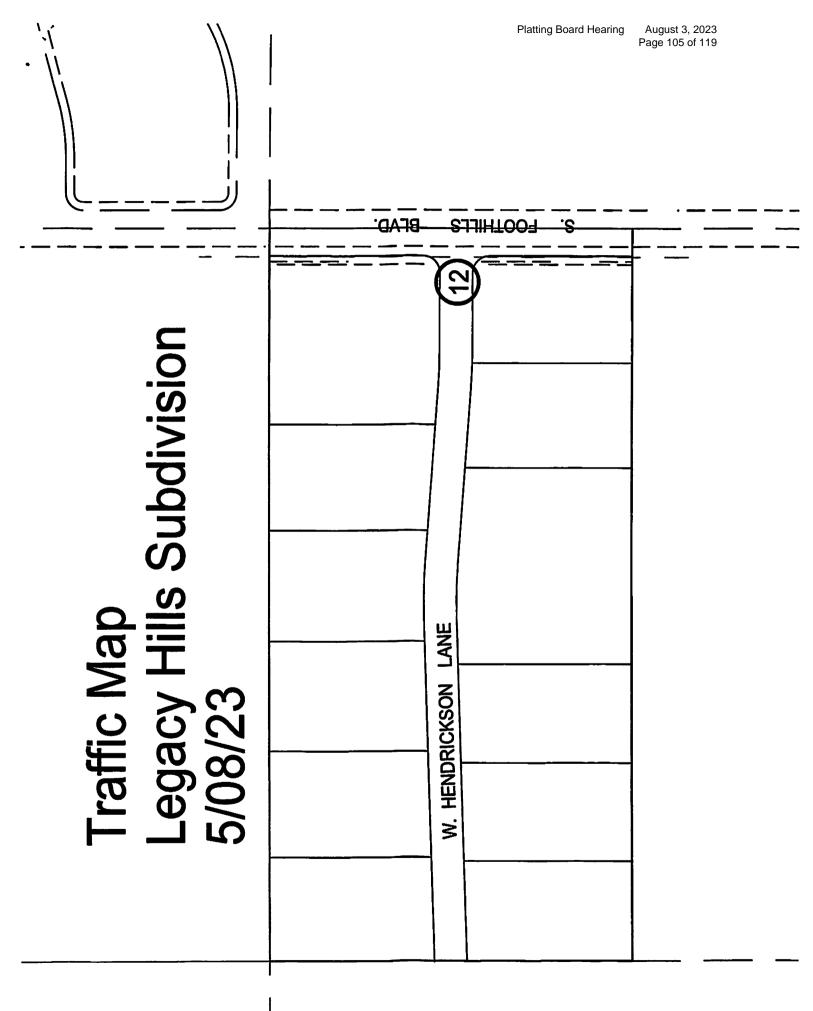
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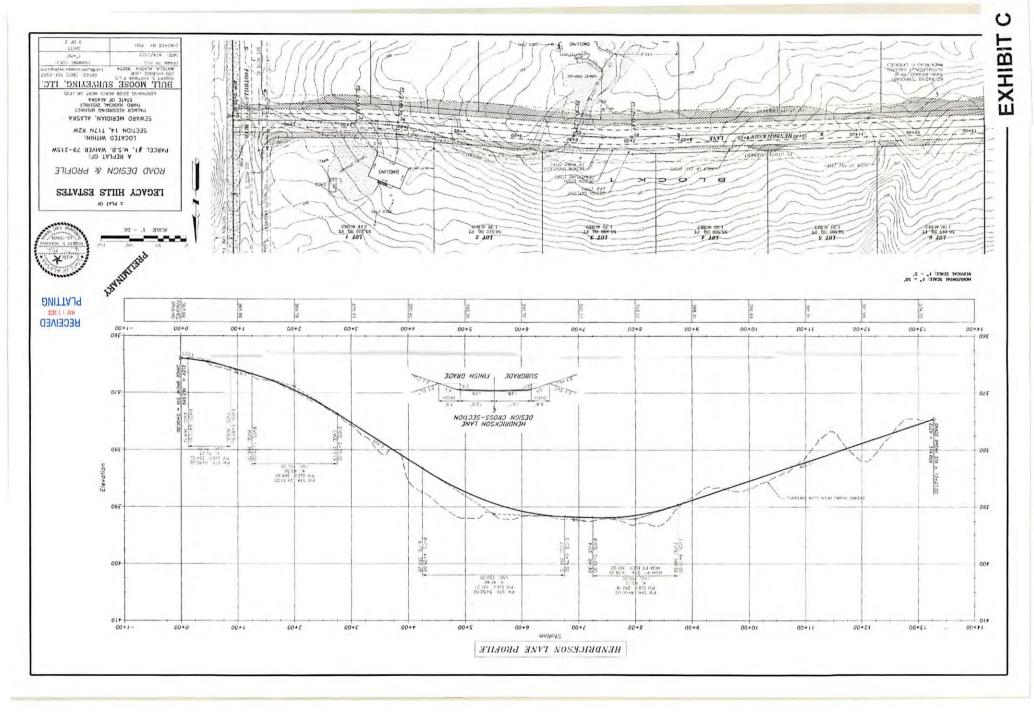
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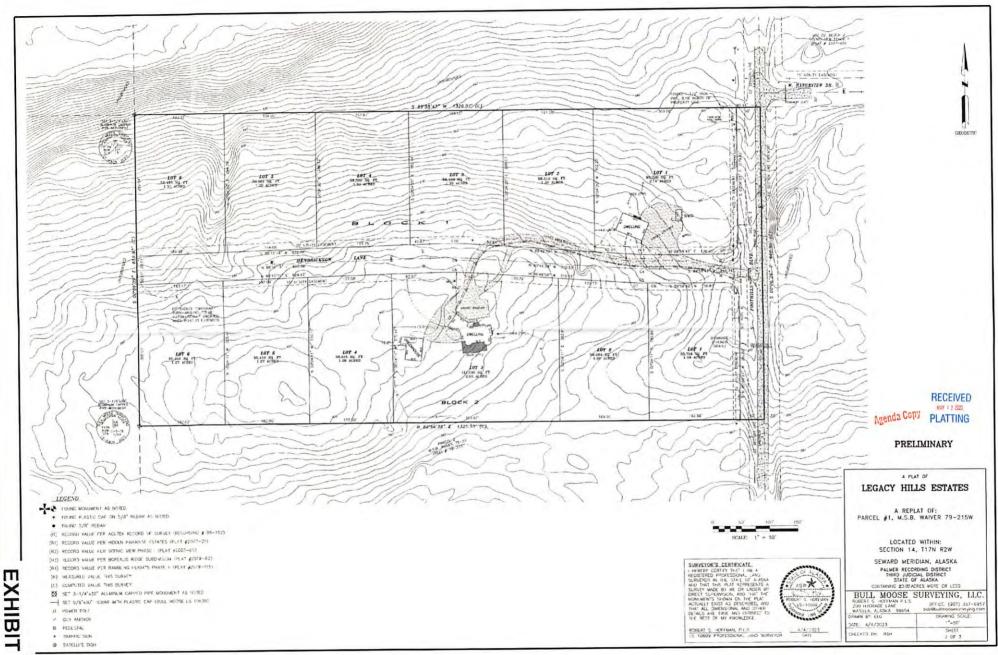


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From: Sent: To: Cc: Subject:

Daniel Dahms Wednesday, May 31, 2023 11:43 AM Jesse Curlin Tammy Simmons; Brad Sworts; Jamie Taylor RE: RFC Legacy Hills Estates #2023-064

Chris,

Applicant will need to submit a soils report for DPW PD&E review. - Forwarded  $\frac{10/23}{10/23}$ Applicant should work with platting to resolve easement overlap issues within the newly dedicated 50' road ROW for Foothills Blvd. Work with MSB Permitting for issuance of permits for existing utilities within the road ROW.

Daniel Dahms, PE Department of Public Works Pre-Design and Engineering Division

From: Jesse Curlin < Jesse.Curlin@matsugov.us>

Sent: Tuesday, May 30, 2023 3:23 PM

To: Alex Strawn <Alex.Strawn@matsugov.us>; Andy Dean <Andy.Dean@matsugov.us>; Brad Sworts <Brad.Sworts@matsugov.us>; Charlyn Spannagel <Charlyn.Spannagel@matsugov.us>; Collections <Collections@matsugov.us>; Daniel Dahms <Daniel.Dahms@matsugov.us>; Elaine Flagg <Elaine.Flagg@matsugov.us>; Eric Phillips <Eric.Phillips@matsugov.us>; Fire Code <Fire.Code@matsugov.us>; Fred Wagner <Frederic.Wagner@matsugov.us>; Jamie Taylor <Jamie.Taylor@matsugov.us>; John Aschenbrenner <John.Aschenbrenner@matsugov.us>; Katrina Kline <katrina.kline@matsugov.us>; Marcia vonEhr <Marcia.vonEhr@matsugov.us>; Margie Cobb <Margie.Cobb@matsugov.us>; Planning <MSB.Planning@matsugov.us>; Tammy Simmons <Tammy.Simmons@matsugov.us>; Theresa Taranto <Theresa.Taranto@matsugov.us>; Tom Adams <Tom.Adams@matsugov.us>; andrew.fraiser@enstarnaturalgas.com; james.christopher@enstarnaturalgas.com; row@enstarnaturalgas.com; ospdesign@gci.com; mearow@mea.coop; row@mtasolutions.com; robyundtmsb@gmail.com; dglsaviatn@aol.com; tim.swezey@mlccak.org; psfisher@gci.net; information@mlccak.org; president@mlccak.org; camden.yehle@gmail.com; davemtp@mtaonline.net Subject: RFC Legacy Hills Estates #2023-064

The following link contains a Request for Comments to subdivide 217N02W14D005. Comments are due by <mark>June 9,</mark> 2023. Please let me know if you have any questions.

Legacy Hills Estates

Sincerely,

Jesse C. "Chris" Curlin Platting Technician Matanuska-Susitna Borough (907) 861-7873

# EXHIBIT E

From:	Camden Yehle <camdenyehle@gmail.com></camdenyehle@gmail.com>
Sent:	Wednesday, June 14, 2023 8:53 PM
To:	Jesse Curlin
Cc:	Stephen Edwards
Subject:	Re: RFC Legacy Hills Estates #2023-064

#### [EXTERNAL EMAIL - CAUTION: Do not open unexpected attachments or links.]

Hi Jesse - I know the comment deadline is past but the Meadow Lakes Community Council meeting was today. We did not have a quorum and cannot send official comments from the membership, but the board did not have objections to this proposed subdivision. Thank you for the opportunity to comment.

Camden Yehle Meadow Lakes Community Council, President 907-346-0506 <u>camdenyehle@gmail.com</u>

On Tue, May 30, 2023 at 3:23 PM Jesse Curlin < Jesse. Curlin@matsugov.us > wrote:

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Legacy Hills Estates

Sincerely,

Jesse C. "Chris" Curlin

Platting Technician

Matanuska-Susitna Borough

(907) 861-7873

## EXHIBIT F

From: Sent: To: Subject: Cayla Ronken <cronken@mtasolutions.com> Wednesday, May 31, 2023 9:54 AM Jesse Curlin RE: RFC Legacy Hills Estates #2023-064

[EXTERNAL EMAIL - CAUTION: Do not open unexpected attachments or links.] Morning Jesse,

Thank you for reaching out. MTA has no comments to add.

#### Cayla Ronken, Right of Way Agent

1740 S. Chugach St., Palmer, Alaska 99645 Office: (907) 761-2465 | www.mtasolutions.com



From: Jesse Curlin <Jesse.Curlin@matsugov.us>
Sent: Tuesday, May 30, 2023 3:23 PM
To: Alex Strawn <Alex.Strawn@matsugov.us>; Andy Dean <Andy.Dean@matsugov.us>; Brad Sworts
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Legacy Hills Estates

Sincerely,



From:	OSP Design Group <ospdesign@gci.com></ospdesign@gci.com>
Sent:	Monday, June 5, 2023 6:55 PM
То:	Jesse Curlin
Cc:	OSP Design Group
Subject:	RE: RFC Legacy Hills Estates #2023-064
Attachments:	Page 2 of 3 As-built and topo.pdf; RFC Packet.pdf

# [EXTERNAL EMAIL - CAUTION: Do not open unexpected attachments or links.] Jesse,

In review GCI has no comments or objections to the plat, attached is the signed plat for your records.

Thanks, MIREYA ARMESTO GCI | Technician II, GIS Mapping m: 907-744-5166 | w: www.gci.com

#### From: Jesse Curlin < Jesse.Curlin@matsugov.us>

Sent: Tuesday, May 30, 2023 3:23 PM

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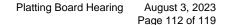
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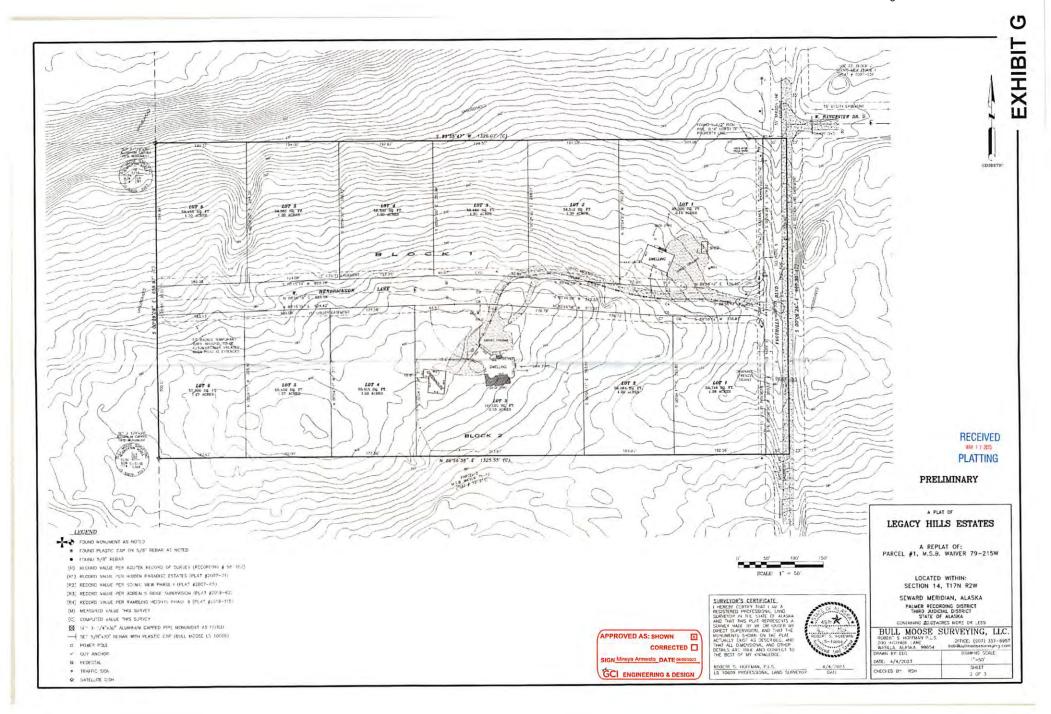
#### Legacy Hills Estates

Sincerely,

Jesse C. "Chris" Curlin Platting Technician Matanuska-Susitna Borough

# EXHIBIT G







ENSTAR Natural Gas Company, LLC Engineering Department, Right of Way Section 401 E. International Airport Road P. O. Box 190288 Anchorage, Alaska 99519-0288 (907) 277-5551 FAX (907) 334-7798

May 31, 2023

Matanuska-Susitna Borough, Platting Division 350 East Dahlia Avenue Palmer, AK 99645-6488

To whom it may concern:

ENSTAR Natural Gas Company has reviewed the following preliminary plat and has no comments or recommendations.

#### • LEGACY HILLS ESTATES (MSB Case# 2023-064)

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 334-7944 or by email at james.christopher@enstarnaturalgas.com.

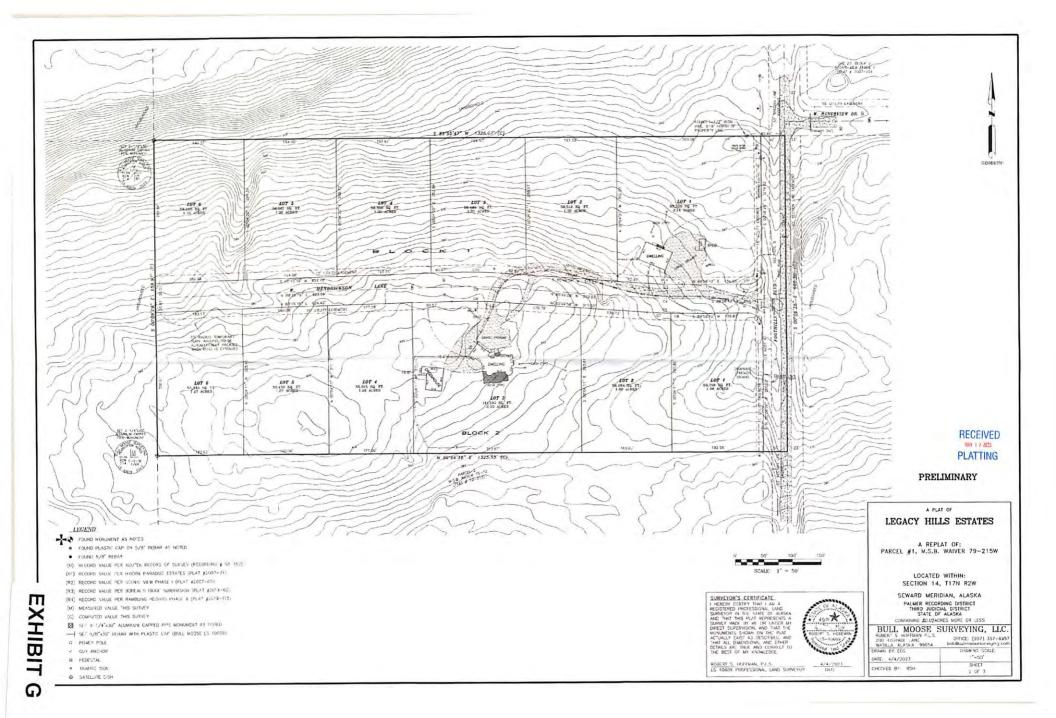
Sincerely,

James Christopher

James Christopher Right of Way & Compliance Technician ENSTAR Natural Gas Company, LLC

## **EXHIBIT G**

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#### MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH PLATTING DIVISION 350 EAST DAHLIA AVENUE

PALMER, ALASKA 99645

17N02W14D002 24 GROOMER WAYNE TR SORBUS TR PO BOX 874045 WASILLA AK 99687-4045

#### NOTIFICATION OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Matanuska-Susitna Borough Platting Board will consider the following:

#### PETITIONER/OWNER: ALASKA ROYAL HOLDINGS, LLC

**REQUEST:** The request is to create 12 lots from Tax Parcel D5, (Parcel #1, MSB Corrected Waiver Resolution Serial No. 75-52 PWm, recorded as 79-215W) and construct an interior road for access to all lots, to be known as **LEGACY HILLS ESTATES**, containing 20.09 acres +/-. Parcels are located north of S. Knik Goose Bay Road. Access is from S. Foothills Boulevard (Tax ID #17N02W14D005); lying within the SE <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> Section 14, Township 17 North, Range 02 West, Seward Meridian, Alaska. In the Meadow Lakes Community Council and in Assembly District #4.

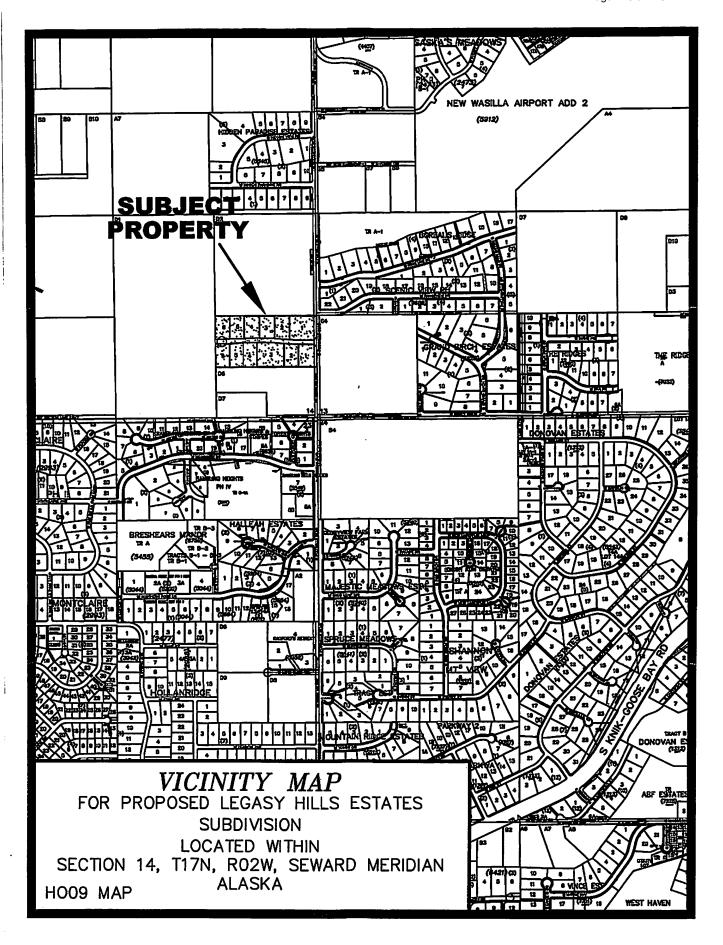
The Matanuska-Susitna Borough <u>Platting Board</u> will hold a public hearing at the <u>Assembly Chambers</u> at the <u>Dorothy</u> <u>Swanda Jones Building</u>, 350 E. Dahlia Avenue, Palmer, Alaska, on the proposed <u>Subdivision</u>. The public hearing is scheduled for <u>July 20, 2023</u>, starting at 1:00 p.m. We are sending you this notice as required by State Law and Borough Ordinances.

For comments regarding the proposed action, this form may be used for your convenience by filling in the information below and mail this notice to the MSB Platting Division, 350 E. Dahlia Avenue, Palmer, Alaska 99645 or e-mail: <u>platting@matsugov.us</u>. Comments received from the public after the platting board packet has been written and sent to the Board will be given to the Platting Board in a "Hand-Out" the day of the meeting. Please do not send comments or questions directly to Platting Board members. Board members may not receive or engage in ex-parte contact with the applicant, other parties interested in the application, or members of the public concerning the application or issues presented in the application. <u>All public comments are due one (1) day prior, by 12:00 p.m</u> To request additional information please contact the Platting Technician, <u>Chris Curlin</u> at (907) 861-7873. To view the agenda or meeting packet please go to the following link: <u>www.matsugov.us/boards/platting</u>.

[ ] No Objection [ ] Object	er (Sorbus Thust) er (Sorbus Address: 1970 S. Foothills Blud / P.O. Box 874045
Name: Sharon Groom	er (Sorbus Address: 1970 S. Foothills Blud / P.D. Box 874045
Comments: I have	concerns about wells and septic, systems,
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## STAFF REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATIONS PUBLIC HEARING AUGUST 3, 2023

PRELIMINARY PLAT:	ANGUS ACRES	
LEGAL DESCRIPTION:	SEC 09, T17N, R02E, SEWARD MERID	IAN AK
PETITIONERS:	STEFAN K. & YVONNE L. MARTY	
SURVEYOR:	HANSON LAND SOLUTIONS	
ACRES: 39 <u>+</u>	PARCELS: 4	
<b>REVIEWED BY:</b>	AMY OTTO-BUCHANAN	CASE #: 2023-067

**<u>REQUEST</u>**: The request is to create four lots from Tax Parcels A26, A28 & A29 (Parcel #1 & #2, MSB Waiver 2005-10, recorded at 2005-029658-0) to be known as **ANGUS ACRES**, containing 39 acres +/-. Proposed Lots 1 & 3 are two side-by-side flag lots with 30' wide poles; a Public Use Easement will be granted over the pole portions. Parcels are located south of the Palmer Airport and directly west of E. Outer Springer Loop. Access is from E. Outer Springer Loop; lying within the NE ¼ Section 09, Township 17 North, Range 02 West, Seward Meridian, Alaska.

#### **EXHIBITS**

Request for a Continuance to a date uncertain

**EXHIBIT** A - 1 pg

Petitioner has requested a continuance to a date uncertain to allow for a minor redesign of the request.

#### **RECOMMENDATIONS OF CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL**

Suggested motion: I move to approve the continuance to a date uncertain for the preliminary plat of Angus Acres, Section 09, Township 17 North, Range 02 East, Seward Meridian, Alaska.

#### Amy Otto-Buchanan

From:	Craig Hanson <ceh@hlsalaska.com></ceh@hlsalaska.com>	
Sent:	Thursday, July 20, 2023 11:50 AM	
To:	Amy Otto-Buchanan	
Subject:	RE: Staff Report - Angus Acres	

#### [EXTERNAL EMAIL - CAUTION: Do not open unexpected attachments or links.]

Amy,

Mr. Marty would like to postpone the hearing for this project to allow for a minor redesign. I will be sending you the revised plat.

Respectfully, Craig Hanson, RLS Hanson Land Solutions, LLC 305 E. Fireweed Ave. Palmer, AK 99645 (907)746-7738

---- On Wed, 05 Jul 2023 14:39:31 -0800 Amy Otto-Buchanan < Amy.Otto-Buchanan@matsugov.us> wrote ---

See attached. Thanks, A.

From: Craig Hanson <<u>ceh@hlsalaska.com</u>> Sent: Wednesday, July 5, 2023 2:18 PM To: Amy Otto-Buchanan <<u>Amy.Otto-Buchanan@matsugov.us</u>> Subject: Re: Staff Report - Angus Acres

#### [EXTERNAL EMAIL - CAUTION: Do not open unexpected attachments or links.]

I don't see any mention of the variance request we provided for the building in the NE corner (it's labeled as a Connex on the AB but it is actually an campground office in an Atco building.

Respectfully, Craig Hanson, RLS Hanson Land Solutions, LLC 305 E. Fireweed Ave. Palmer, AK 99645 (907)746-7738

---- On Wed, 05 Jul 2023 14:10:17 -0800 Amy Otto-Buchanan <<u>Amy.Otto-Buchanan@matsugov.us</u>> wrote ---

Craig: There is nothing in the staff report re driveways – ADOT&PF commented at the preapp level that no new access will be granted with the exception of the PUE, so I saw no need to address this. Thanks, A.