

CITY OF LAKE ELMO
WASHINGTON COUNTY, MINNESOTA

RESOLUTION NO. 2004-039

A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE COUNTRY SUN FARM GREENHOUSE
CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT AND APPROVING THE SECTION 520 SITE PLAN

WHEREAS, Richard Bergman, Country Sun Farm Greenhouses, at 11211 60th Street North, has made application to amend their Conditional Use Permit to add greenhouse structures of 1,920 square feet (each) to either end (east and west) of the existing retail structure.

WHEREAS, at its April 26, 2004 meeting, the Planning Commission recommended approval of Richard Bergman's request to amend the Conditional Use Permit for the addition of two green houses at Country Sun Farm based on the following Findings:

1. Although the additional growing function at this facility may also result in additional retail function, the traffic safety concern is mitigated by the traffic light that is about to be installed at Highway 36 and Lake Elmo Avenue.
2. The planned addition to the facility will be used as a growing space, though it may have a duplicate retail use
3. The applicants are a family whose business is deeply rooted in agriculture. They are trying to pass on an agricultural business from one generation to another, and with the hope to pass it on to the next generation in the future. Their business is primarily growing and the sale of agricultural products grown on site.

WHEREAS, at its May 4, 2004 meeting, the Lake Elmo City Council reviewed the application for a Section 520 Site Plan amendment of Richard Bergmann and Country Sun Farm, plans staff dated April 22, 2004.


NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lake Elmo City Council approves the application of Richard Bergman, Country Sun Farm Greenhouses, to amend the Conditional Use Permit and Site Plan for two additions to the retail sales building of approximately 2,000 square feet each, per plans staff dated April 22, 2004, and based on the Findings recommended by the Planning Commission.

ADOPTED by the Lake Elmo City Council on the 4th day of May, 2004.



Lee Hunt, Mayor

ATTEST:



Charles E. Dillerud
Acting City Administrator