

PLANNING COMMISSION

DATE: 9/22/13

AGENDA ITEM: 4A - BUSINESS ITEM

CASE # 2014-44

ITEM: Hammes Estates Residential Subdivision – Final Plat (Phase 1)

SUBMITTED BY: Nick M. Johnson, City Planner

REVIEWED BY: Kyle Klatt, Community Development Director

Jack Griffin, City Engineer Greg Malmquist, Fire Chief

Stephen Mastey, City's Landscape Consultant

SUMMARY AND ACTION REQUESTED:

The Planning Commission is being asked to consider a Final Plat request from Hammes West, LLC for the first phase of a planned 163-unit residential development to be located on 78.1 acres of land west of Keats Avenue and within Stage 1 of the City's I-94 Corridor Planning Area. The final plat will include 57 single-family lots, all of which will be accessed off of Keats Avenue. Staff is recommending approval of the request subject to compliance with a series of conditions as listed in this report.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Applicant: Hammes West, LLC, 36 Moonlight Bay, Stillwater, MN 55082.

Property Owners: Ellie Hammes, 1187 Forest Ave., Maplewood, MN 55109, and Dorothy Lyons,

10105 10th Street North, Lake Elmo, MN 55042.

Location: Part of Section 34 in Lake Elmo, immediately west of Keats Avenue (CSAH 19),

approximately 1,300 feet south of 10th Street (CSAH 10), and immediately south

of Goose Lake. PID Number 34.029.21.13.0001.

Request: Application for final plat approval of 57 residential lots, constituting the first

phase of a subdivision to be named Hammes Estates.

Existing Land Use and Zoning: The site was previously utilized as an active mining and gravel

operation. The site has since been reclaimed. Current Zoning:

LDR - Urban Low Density Residential

Surrounding Land Use and Zoning: North -Goose Lake and Stonegate Residential Estates (RE)

subdivision; west – Stonegate RE subdivision; south – Lennar Savona Urban Low Density Residential (LDR) subdivision.

Comprehensive Plan: Urban Low Density Residential (2.5 – 4 units per acre)

History: Preliminary Plat approved on 7/1/14 (public hearing on 5/12/14).

Deadline for Action: Application Complete – 9/15/14

60 Day Deadline - 11/13/14

Extension Letter Mailed – No 120 Day Deadline – 1/12/15

Applicable Regulations: Chapter 153 – Subdivision Regulations

Article 10 - Urban Residential Districts (LDR)

§150.270 Storm Water, Erosion, and Sediment Control

REQUEST DETAILS

The City of Lake Elmo has received a request from Hammes West, LLC for final plat approval of the first phase of the Hammes Estates residential development. The final plat includes 57 single family residential lots and the infrastructure necessary to support the future homes on these lots. The City Council approved the Hammes Estates Preliminary Plat on July 1, 2013, which covered approximately 78 acres of land within the I-94 Corridor Planning Area. There are 163 single family residential lots planned within the entire subdivision, and the final plat covers only a portion of the overall total of units that will eventually be platted. Hammes West, LLC, in conjunction with Ryland Homes, is finalizing the purchase of the land. Submission of adequate title evidence to the City Attorney will be required of the applicant in advance of the City releasing the Final Plat for recording.

The final plat area represents the initial project phase of the overall Hammes Estates development. The developer intends to build homes in the subdivision moving generally from the east to the west, extending infrastructure to serve each phase with future projects. Likewise, the developer will be conducting final grading on the site in phases as well, as the majority of the site has undergone initial grading work as part of the approved reclamation plan for the site's mining permit. This grading will be necessary to establish the overall storm water management system on the site, but the plan will be revised when the individual lots are created as part of a future development phase. The applicant has submitted detailed construction plans for related to sanitary sewer, water main, storm sewer, grading, drainage, landscaping, and other details that have been reviewed by the City Engineer.

The City's subdivision ordinance establishes the procedure for obtaining final subdivision approval, in which case a final plat may only be reviewed after the City takes action on a preliminary plat. As long as the final plat is consistent with the preliminary approval, it must be approved by the City. Please note that the City's approval of the Hammes Estates Preliminary Plat did include a series of conditions that must be met by the applicant, which are addressed in the "Review and Analysis" section below. There are no public hearing requirements for a final plat.

It should also be noted that the zoning of the Hammes site was changed from Rural Development Transitional District (RT) to Urban Low Density Residential (LDR) as part of a broader zoning map update that was approved by the City Council on July 22, 2014. In order to proceed with the recording of the Final Plat, a site must have the proper zoning designation in place. The Hammes site fulfills this criterion, as LDR zoning is the appropriate zoning for the single family subdivision.

Staff has reviewed the final plat and found that it is consistent with the preliminary plat that was approved by the City. The developer has recently updated the preliminary plan submissions to comply with the conditions of approval, and the final plat application incorporates these updates as well. Please note that the final plat and construction plans now include approved street names for the subdivision.

The City Engineer has reviewed the final plat, and his comments are attached to this report.

Although there are some additional revisions and additions necessary for the final construction plans

that need to be addressed by the applicant, the majority of these revisions can be made before the City releases the final plat for recording. Staff is recommending that all revisions and modifications noted within the City Engineer's review memorandum be completed prior to the release of Final Plat for recording as a condition of approval.

REVIEW AND ANALYSIS

The preliminary plat for Hammes Estates was approved with several conditions, which are indicated below along with Staff's comments on the status of each. For those items and issues that are not directly addressed below, Staff has provided additional comments following the preliminary plat conditions list. Staff is recommending approval of the final plat, but with additional conditions intended to address the outstanding issues that will require additional review and/or documentation.

Please also note that the applicant has also provided a response to the preliminary plat conditions and their response is included as an attachment to this report (Attachment #2).

Preliminary Plat Conditions - With Staff Update Comments (updated information in bold italics):

- 1) Within six months of preliminary plat approval, the applicant shall complete the following: a) The applicant shall provide adequate title evidence satisfactory to the City Attorney; and b) The applicant shall submit a revised Preliminary Plat and plans meeting all conditions of approval. All of the above conditions shall be met prior to the City accepting an application for Final Plat and prior to the commencement of any grading activity on the site. Comment:

 a) all title work will need to be submitted and reviewed by the City Attorney before any City officials sign the final plat (Condition #2); b) revised preliminary plat and plans have been received by the City and were found to address previous comments. The City Engineer has identified to design modifications related to depth of storm sewer and the location of one segment of watermain, both in the western portion of the plat. The City Engineer has confirmed that these design modification are not impactful to the first phase of Hammes Estates. Nonetheless, the City Engineer has requested that these revisions be submitted in order to facilitate more accurate and efficient review of future phases of the Hammes Estates subdivision. The applicant has acknowledged this requirement and will address the requested modifications before the City will release the Final Plat for recording.
- 2) The City Engineer shall review and approve all revised Preliminary Plans that are submitted to the City in advance of Final Plat to satisfy Condition #1. Comments: See Condition #1 response.
- 3) The Preliminary Plat approval is conditioned upon the applicant meeting all minimum City standards and design requirements. Comments: The applicant has acknowledged that approval is conditioned upon meeting City standards and design requirements.
- 4) All required modifications to the plans as requested by the City Engineer in a review letter dated June 16, 2014 shall be incorporated into the plans prior to consideration of a Final Plat. Comments: The applicants have addressed the Engineer's review comments, but design modifications are necessary with regards to storm sewer depth and watermain alignment in the western portion of the plat. The Engineer has confirmed to staff that the requested modifications to not materially impact the 1st Phase of Hammes Estates.

- 5) Prior to the acceptance of the public improvements for the Hammes Estates plat, all wetland buffers shall be delineated and identified via staking or signage that is acceptable to the City. Comments: The final construction plans (Grading, Drainage and Erosion Control) include wetland buffer monuments to identify the locations of all wetland buffers. The applicants have met this condition. However, in order to ensure that the monuments are installed, staff recommends that this condition be carried forward as a condition of final plat approval for all subsequent phases of the Hammes Estates subdivision (Condition #14).
- 6) The landscape plan shall be updated per the recommendations of the City's landscape consultant in a review memo dated 5/7/14. Comments: The City's Landscape Consultant has reviewed the updated Preliminary Landscape Plan and found it to be in conformance with the City's landscaping ordinance. More specifically, the applicants have provided additional plant material to meet the City's requirements. Based upon the approval of the City's Landscape Consultant, this condition has been met.
- 7) The applicant shall be responsible for the construction of all improvements within the Keats Avenue (CSAH 19) right-of-way as required by Washington County and further described in the review letter received from the County dated May 6, 2014. The required improvements shall include, but not be limited to: construction of a modified median crossing, construction of a trail/sidewalk to the south side of the median, turn lanes, and other improvements as required by the County. Comments: The Final Construction Plans have been revised in response to these comments. The applicants have submitted an access permit to Washington County, which is currently being reviewed. The applicants will be responsible to incorporate any requested revisions or modifications that result from the County's review of the access to Keats Ave. into the Final Construction Plans (Condition #10)
- 8) The developer shall follow all of the rules and regulations spelled out in the Wetland Conservation Act, and shall acquire the needed permits from Valley Branch Watershed District prior to the commencement of any grading or development activity on the site. Comments: The applicant has received a permit from the Valley Branch Watershed District (Attachment #11) for the grading work proposed in the final plans. This permit includes conditions that must be met prior to the commencement of any final grading work on the site. The applicant will be required to observe all conditions of the Valley Branch Watershed District permit throughout construction (Condition #8).
- 9) Landscape islands shall be platted as part of the right-of-way and shall be maintained by the Home Owners Association. The applicant shall enter into a maintenance agreement with the City that clarifies the individuals or entities responsible for any landscaping installed in areas outside of land dedicated as public park and open space on the final plat. Comments: The applicant has indicated that there will be a homeowner's association created for this development. The City has not yet received documentation that this association has been established. A maintenance agreement and evidence that the HOA has been established should be retained as a condition of approval for the final plat (Condition #5).
- 10) With an eligible parkland dedication of 5.7 acres provided, the applicant is responsible to pay a fee in lieu of land dedication for the equal market value amount of 2.1 acres of land at the time of the Final Developers Agreement. The City will work with the developer to clarify any and all park fee payments at the time of the Final Developers Agreement. *Comments: Staff is*

recommending that the payment of fees in lieu of land dedication either be pro-rated based on the percentage of the final plat area compared to the entire Hammes Estates development, or the total required amount be collected for the entire subdivision. As a condition of approval, staff is recommending that the required parkland dedication fee be collected prior to the City releasing the Final Plat for recording (Condition #6)

- 11) No more than 100 units may be approved as part of a final plat until secondary access is provided to the subdivision via a connection to 5th Street through the Savona subdivision.

 Comments: The proposed final plat includes 57 units, which means the applicant may plat an additional 42 units before secondary access through the Savona subdivision to the south is required.
- 12) For trails proposed to be located in any wetland buffer, the applicant must present a suitable design or material that is acceptable to the City and Valley Branch Watershed District.

 Comments: The applicants have presented a boardwalk design to the watershed district and the VBWD was agreeable to a boardwalk design through a small portion of the buffer area. City staff was in attendance at the VBWD Board Meeting and offered support for the boardwalk design. The construction details of the proposed limited boardwalk section within the wetland buffer must be provided to the City as part of the Final Construction Plans for the pertinent future phase of the Hammes Estates subdivision.
- 13) The applicant must enter into a separate grading agreement with the City prior to the commencement of any grading activity in advance of final plat and plan approval. The City Engineer shall review any grading plan that is submitted in advance of a final plat, and said plan shall document extent of any proposed grading on the site. Comments: The applicants are not proposing any final grading in advance of Final Plat approval. Final grading activities require the approval of the Final Grading Plans by the City Engineer.
- 14) The applicant must incorporate a play structure into the proposed park at Goose Lake per the request of the Lake Elmo Park Commission. Furthermore, the applicant must submit an updated design of the park property that meets City approval in advance of Final Plat. Comments: Regarding the play structure, the Park Commission reviewed the proposed improvements to Goose Lake Park at the 7/21/14 meeting and determined to relocate the structure to some other location within the subdivision. The Park Commission wanted to minimize the removal of significant trees in the area and were concerned about the proximity to Keats Avenue (CSAH 19). The applicant were directed to find another location for the City to locate a play structure in the future. Greater detail of the Park commission discussion can be found in Attachment # 13. To respond to this direction, the applicants have presented two potential locations, as evidence in the Park Location Plan (Attachment #7). City Staff will continue to work with the applicants and the Park Commission to site a play structure as part of a future phase of the development.

Regarding the design of Goose Lake Park, the applicants have submitted additional details of the proposed park area as part of the Final Landscape Plan. The proposed grading addresses staff concerns regarding the location of the improvements in the context of the 100-year flood elevation of Goose Lake. However, the park property improvements must be revised to better separate the public use area and the lift station utility area. The City Engineer has provided a proposed sketch (Attachment #14) that reorients the parking to better separate these areas, allowing for better access and work space for City maintenance

staff. As a condition of approval, the park property improvements must be revised to meet the approval of the City Engineer. This design must also maintain the required 25-foot setback from the OHWL as specified in the Valley Branch Watershed District Permit. Finally, the applicant will be required to obtain the necessary watershed district permit for the improvements to Goose Lake Park (Condition #12).

- 15) The applicant shall work with the Planning Staff to name all streets in the subdivision prior to submission of a Final Plat. Comments: The applicants have updated the Final Plat and Final Construction Plans with the correct street names as directed by City staff. This condition has been met.
- 16) Lots 1-6, Block 10 and Lots 1-5 and 11-12, Block 9 shall not be platted until the southern channel of Goose Lake is closed off from the lake, or the shoreland issue around the channel is resolved in some other manner that is acceptable to the DNR. Comments: The applicants have received MN DNR approval to restore the southern shore of Goose Lake back to its original state, closing off the southern channel and Wetland G. This condition has been met, and the MN DNR permit is found in Attachment #11. The applicant shall be responsible for following all requirements and conditions of the DNR permit, including the 5-year invasive species monitoring (Condition #11).
- 17) The applicant shall work to relocate segments of the northern buffer trail further to the south of the Stonegate subdivision wherever it is feasible as long as the trail does not encroach on any required wetland buffers. Comments: The portion of the northern buffer trail to the south of Goose Lake has been moved further to the south across the restored shoreline. The trail has not been moved further south in any other locations on the updated preliminary plans, as the other segments of the trail directly abut required wetland buffers or must be located in locations to not impact stormwater management facilities or to maintain proper grade. In the judgment of staff, the applicants have reasonably met this condition.

Staff is recommending that the conditions noted above that pertain to the Final Plat and that have not yet been addressed by the applicant should be adopted with the Final Plat. The City Engineer's review letter does identify several issues that need to be addressed by the developer in order for the City to deem the final plans complete. However, the majority of these concerns are related to the construction plans and should have limited bearing on the final plat. Staff is recommending that City Officials not sign the final plat mylars until the City's construction plan review is finalized and all necessary easements are documented on the Final Plat.

In addition to the items discussed above, it should be noted that the Fire Chief is requesting verification from the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) that the remediation activities completed by the applicant have correctly addressed a previous incident of soil contamination on the site. For the purpose of documentation, the applicants have provided the soil remediation report (Attachment #15) to document that the contamination has been properly addressed. In order to ensure procedural compliance, the Fire Chief is requesting that the applicants submit this information to the Voluntary Brownfield Program at the MPCA to document compliance (Condition #13). The Fire Chief's memo is found in Attachment #9.

Based on the above Staff report and analysis, Staff is recommending approval of the Final Plat with several conditions intended to address the outstanding issues noted above and to further clarify the City's expectations in order for the developer to proceed with the recording of the Final Plat.

The recommended conditions are as follows:

Recommended Conditions of Approval:

- 1) Final grading, drainage, and erosion control plans, utility plans, sanitary and storm water management plans, and street and utility construction plans shall be reviewed and approved by the City Engineer prior to the recording of the Final Plat. All changes and modifications to the plans requested by the City Engineer in a memo dated 9/18/14 shall be incorporated into these documents before they are approved.
- 2) The developer shall provide evidence in a form satisfactory to the City Attorney that warrants it has fee interest in area included in the Hammes Estates Final Plat.
- 3) Prior to the execution of the Final Plat by City officials, the Developer shall enter into a Developer's Agreement acceptable to the City Attorney and approved by the City Council that delineates who is responsible for the design, construction, and payment of the required improvements with financial guarantees therefore.
- 4) All easements as requested by the City Engineer and Public Works Department shall be documented on the Final Plat prior to the execution of the Final Plat by City Officials.
- 5) A Common Interest Agreement concerning management of the common areas of Hammes Estates and establishing a homeowner's association shall be submitted in final form to the Community Development Director before a building permit may be issued for any structure within this subdivision. Said agreement shall comply with Minnesota Statues 515B-103, and specifically the provisions concerning the transfer of control to the future property owners. The applicant shall also enter into a maintenance agreement with the City that clarifies the individuals or entities responsible for any landscaping installed in areas outside of land dedicated as public park and open space on the Final Plat.
- 6) The applicant shall provide fees in lieu of land dedication for 2.1 acres of land to fulfill the City's parkland dedication requirements in a pro-rated amount for the Phase 1 Area or in an amount addressing the total site.
- 7) The Final Landscape Plan shall be revised per the requested modifications of the City Landscape Consultant, documented in a memo dated 9/18/14. Final Landscape Plans shall be approved prior to the release of Final Plat for recording.
- 8) The applicant shall provide evidence that all conditions attached to the Valley Branch Watershed District permit for the Final Plat and associated grading work have been met prior to the commencement of any final grading activity.
- 9) The applicant must provide written authorization to perform any work in the Electrical Transmission easement areas prior to the release of the Final Plat for recording.
- 10) The applicant shall provide evidence that Washington County has approved final construction plans for all required work within the Keats Avenue right-of-way as described in

- a letter from the County dated May 6, 2013. Final Construction Plans provided to the City shall be updated to include the improvements approved by Washington County
- 11) The applicant shall abide by all conditions of the MN DNR Public Waters Work Permit dated 8/27/14.
- 12) The applicant must revise the Goose Lake Park Plan to provide greater separation between the public use area and the lift station maintenance area. The applicant will be responsible for all necessary watershed district permitting requirements related to the Goose Lake Park improvements.
- 13) Per the recommendation of the Fire Chief, the applicant must submit all documentation related to the mitigation of the soil contamination to the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency's Voluntary Brownfield Program for review and approval.
- 14) Prior to the acceptance of the public improvements for the 1st Phase of the Hammes Estates subdivision, all wetland buffers shall be delineated and identified via staking or signage that is acceptable to the City.

DRAFT FINDINGS

Staff is recommending that the Planning Commission consider the following findings with regards to the proposed Hammes Estates Final Plat:

- 1) That the Hammes Estates Final Plat is consistent with the Preliminary Plat and Plans as approved by the City of Lake Elmo on July 1, 2013 and revised on August 25, 2013.
- 2) That the Hammes Estates Final Plat is consistent with the Lake Elmo Comprehensive Plan and the Future Land Use Map for this area.
- 3) That the Hammes Estates Final Plat complies with the City's Urban Low Density Residential zoning district.
- 4) That the Hammes Estates Final Plat complies with all other applicable zoning requirements, including the City's landscaping, storm water, sediment and erosion control and other ordinances, except as noted in this report or attachment thereof.
- 5) That the Hammes Estates Final Plat complies with the City's subdivision ordinance.
- 6) That the Hammes Estates Final Plat is consistent with the City's engineering standards with the exceptions noted by the City Engineer in his review comments to the City dated September 18, 2014.

RECCOMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the Planning Commission recommend approval of the Final Plat for Hammes Estates with the 14 conditions of approval as listed in the Staff report. Suggested motion:

"Move to recommend approval of the Hammes Estates Final Plat with the 14 conditions of approval based on the findings of fact listed in the Staff Report."

ATTACHMENTS:

- 1. Application Form
- 2. Preliminary Plat Response (Westwood Engineering)
- 3. Final Plat (3 sheets)
- 4. Final Construction Plans (Sanitary Sewer, Water Main, Storm Sewer and Streets 17 sheets)
- 5. Final Construction Plans (Grading, Drainage and Erosion Control 14 sheets)
- 6. Final Landscape Plans (4 sheets)
- 7. Park Location Plan
- 8. City Engineer Review Memorandum, dated 9/18/14
- 9. Fire Chief Review Memorandum, dated 9/18/14
- 10. Landscape Consultant Review Memorandums, dated 8/25/14 and 9/18/14
- 11. Valley Branch Watershed District Permit
- 12. MN DNR Permit to Restore Southern Shore of Goose Lake
- 13. Excerpt of Park Commission Minutes from 7/21/14 Meeting.
- 14. Goose Lake Park Area Sketch
- 15. Soil Contamination Remediation Report

NOT INCLUDED BUT AVAILABLE BY REQUEST:

1. Updated Preliminary Plans

ORDER OF BUSINESS:

_	- Introduction	Planning Staff
_	- Report by Staff	Planning Staff
-	- Questions from the Commission	Chair & Commission Members
-	- Discussion by the Commission	Chair & Commission Members
-	- Action by the Commission	Chair & Commission Members

HAMMES WEST, LLC 36 MOONLIGHT BAY STILLWATER, MN 55082

September 30, 2014

Mr. Nick Johnson City of Lake Elmo njohnson@lakeelmo.org

Re: City of Lake Elmo Requirements

Dear Nick:

We are requesting that Condition No. 13 of the Planning Commission recommendation be amended to state the following:

"Per the recommendation of the Fire Chief, the applicant must submit all documentation related to the mitigation of the soil contamination to the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency's Voluntary Brownfield Program for review and approval prior to the issuance of building permits for lots affected by the soil contamination, if any."

Thank you.

Sincerely,

HAMMES WEST, LLC

Brian McGoldrick Managing Member

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AFFIRMATION OF SUFFICIENT INTEREST

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If a corporation is fee title holder, attach a copy of the resolution of the Board of Directors authorizing this action.

If a joint venture or partnership is the fee owner, attach a copy of agreement authorizing this action on behalf of the joint venture or partnership.

AFFIRMATION OF SUFFICIENT INTEREST

The following owners hereby affirm that they are the fee title owners of the below described property and authorize Hammes West, LLC to proceed with the final plat of the property.

Legal Description:

South ½ of the Northeast Quarter, Section 34, Township 29, Range 21, except the East 60 feet of the North 967 feet, and except Parcel 3 of Washington County Highway Right of Way Plat 49-19B, Washington County, Minnesota

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FEE OWNER CONSENT TO DEVELOPMENT CONTRACT

Dorothy Lyons, Leo Hammes and Margot Hammes, husband and wife, the Estate of Earl Hammes, Eleanor Hammes and Hammes West, LLC, fee owners of all or part of the subject property, the development of which is governed by the foregoing Development Contract, affirm and consent to the provisions thereof and agree to be bound by the provisions as the same may apply to that portion of the subject property owned by them.

Date:	
	Dorothy Lyons, by Linda Papillon, Conservator/Guardian
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Date: 9/16/14	Eleanor Hammes



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August 28, 2014

Nick Johnson City of Lake Elmo 3800 Laverne Avenue North Lake Elmo, MN 55042

Re: Hammes Property

Residential Subdivision, Lake Elmo, MN

Westwood No. 0002905.01

Dear Mr. Johnson:

Westwood has completed revisions to the preliminary plat set and created final plans for this project. Modifications were made to the plans per your previous review comments. Attached are full-size copies for your review. For the majority of the items, Westwood has completed the revisions and included them on the appropriate sheets.

In order to facilitate your review, we have included your previous comments below, along with explanations on how these comments were addressed within the plan set;

Conditions of Approval

- 1. Within six months of preliminary plat approval, the applicant shall complete the following;
 - a. The applicant shall provide adequate title evidence satisfactory to the city Attorney. This item would be sent to the city from the developer directly.
 - b. The applicant shall submit a revised Preliminary Plat and plans meeting all conditions of approval. All of the above conditions shall be met prior to the city accepting an application for Final Plat and prior to the commencement of any grading activity on the site. Attached are the revised preliminary plat and plans.
- The City Engineer shall review and approve all revised Preliminary plans that are submitted to
 the City in advance of Final Plat to satisfy Condition #1. Attached are the preliminary plat plans
 for the city engineer to review. In lieu of preliminary grading plans, we have completed final
 grading plans for the entire site.
- 3. The Preliminary Plat approval is conditioned upon the applicant meeting all minimum City standards and design requirements. Westwood has completed plan revisions with this in mind.
- 4. All required modifications to the plans as requested by the City Engineer in a review letter dated June 16, 2014 shall be incorporated into the plans prior to consideration of the Final Plat. See attached revised plans, and responses to the city engineer comments.

- Prior to acceptance of the public improvements for the Hammes Estates plat, all wetland buffers shall be delineated and identified via staking or signage that is acceptable to the city. Comment noted.
- 6. The Landscape plan shall be updated per the recommendations of the City landscape consultant in a review memo dated 5/7/14. The attached revised preliminary landscape plan has been revised per these comments.
- The applicant shall be responsible for the construction of all improvements within the Keats
 Avenue right-of-way as required by Washington County. *Understood*. We are coordinating with
 the county on plans for these improvements.
- 8. The developer shall follow all of the rules and regulations spelled out in the Wetland Conservation Act, and shall acquire the needed permits from Valley Branch watershed district prior to commencement of any grading or development activity on the site. Comment noted. We have received a conditional approval from the watershed earlier this month.
- 9. Landscape islands shall be platted as a part of the ROW and shall be maintained by the Home Owner's Association. The applicant shall enter into a maintenance agreement with the city. This item will require further discussion between the developer and the city. It is my understanding that a draft of the developer's agreement is being submitted. We would anticipate that this item would be included as a part of this agreement.
- 10. With an eligible parkland dedication of 5.7 acres provided, the applicant is responsible to pay a fee in lieu of land dedication for the equal market value amount of 2.1 acres of land at the time of the Final Developers Agreement. The city will work with the developer to clarify any and all park fee payments at the time of the Final Developers Agreement. Comment noted.
- 11. No more than 100 units may be approved as a part of a final plat until a secondary access is provided to the subdivision via a connection to 5th Street through the Savona subdivision. The proposed final plat has less than 100 lots as a part of the first addition. Future final plats will be prepared with this comment in mind.
- 12. For trails located in any wetland buffer, the applicant must present a suitable design or material that is acceptable to the city and valley branch watershed district. The proposed trail within a wetland buffer has been conditionally approved from the watershed as a boardwalk. We will submit these designs to the city for final approval.
- 13. The applicant must enter into a separate grading agreement with the city prior to the commencement of any grading activity in advance of the final plat and plan approval. The city engineer shall review any grading plan that is submitted in advance of the final plat, and said plan shall document extent of any proposed grading on the site. Attached is the final grading plan for the city engineer to review. Site grading has been completed onsite as a part of the reclamation work to correct for the mining activity that had taken place previously.
- 14. The applicant must incorporate a play structure into the proposed park at Goose Lake per the request of the Lake Elmo Park Commission. Furthermore, the applicant must submit an updated design of the park property that meets City approval in advance of the final plat. Per recent discussions with the city, a play structure is not currently shown on the Goose Lake park. Additional grading design has been completed within this area for review.
- 15. The applicant shall work with the Planning staff to name all the streets in the subdivision prior to submission of the final plat. Streets have now been named for the project as requested.
- 16. Lots 1-6, Block 10 and Lots 1-5, and 11-12, Block 9 shall not be platted until the southern channel of Goose Lake is closed off from the lake, or the shoreland issue around the channel is

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- 17. The applicant shall work to relocate segments of the northern buffer trail further to the south of the Stonegate subdivision wherever feasible as long as the trail does not encroach on any required wetland buffers. Some trail modifications have been made; we would encourage the city to review to determine if additional changes to the trail alignment are necessary.

City Engineering Comments Utility Plans and Easements

- A 12" watermain stub should be extended east along street 1 to the intersection and County ROW of Keats Avenue for future extension to the east site of CSAH 19. Comment noted. Upon review, this change did not make it into the submitted plans, but subsequent plan revisions will include this 12" watermain stub from the intersection to the county road.
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- 3. The sanitary sewer segment along the east side of lot 6, block 6 needs to move further to the east to maintain additional offset from the lot 6 property line. We request additional direction from the city on this item; we have dedicated a 40' easement in this area, but we have sanitary line, a trail and a storm line in this location. We can shift the sewer line to the location within this easement as desired by the city,
- 4. Additional plan information is needed to evaluate the impacts to the city's sewer, forcemain and lift station infrastructure by the proposed park improvements. Please see the final grading and utility plans to further evaluate any impacts to the city's infrastructure.
- A few additional easements are required. Now that some of the stormwater system has significantly changed, and the final plat has been prepared, I believe the previously discussed easement changes should be reviewed.

Storm Sewer

- The storm sewer or grading plans must be revised to provide the City Standard minimum pipe cover of 3.5 feet. Comment noted. Final storm sewer design has been completed for phase 1 with this in mind.
- 2. Drain tile is required as a part of the City Standard street section at all localized low points in the street. Comment noted. The majority of the site drains to the northeast, so there are not many low points on the project. Where we do have low points, draintile was added.

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Grading and Stormwater Management

Significant changes have been made to the plan in order to obtain a conditional approval from the watershed. I would request that the city review the final grading plan, and the updated stormwater management calculations to reevaluate the previous comments. We no longer have two infiltration basins at the entrance, so we believe that the plan has been improved from the previous design.

Since so much has changed, we wanted to get the plans into your hands so that review could start as soon as possible. We understand that there is a lot of information to digest, and that there still are additional items to finalize as listed above, but we request that the city initiate the final plat review process so we can attempt to start work on initial phase yet this fall.

Please review our attached materials, and give me a call with any questions you may have. I will follow up in the next week or so to schedule a meeting to review the attached submittal.

Sincerely,

WESTWOOD PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

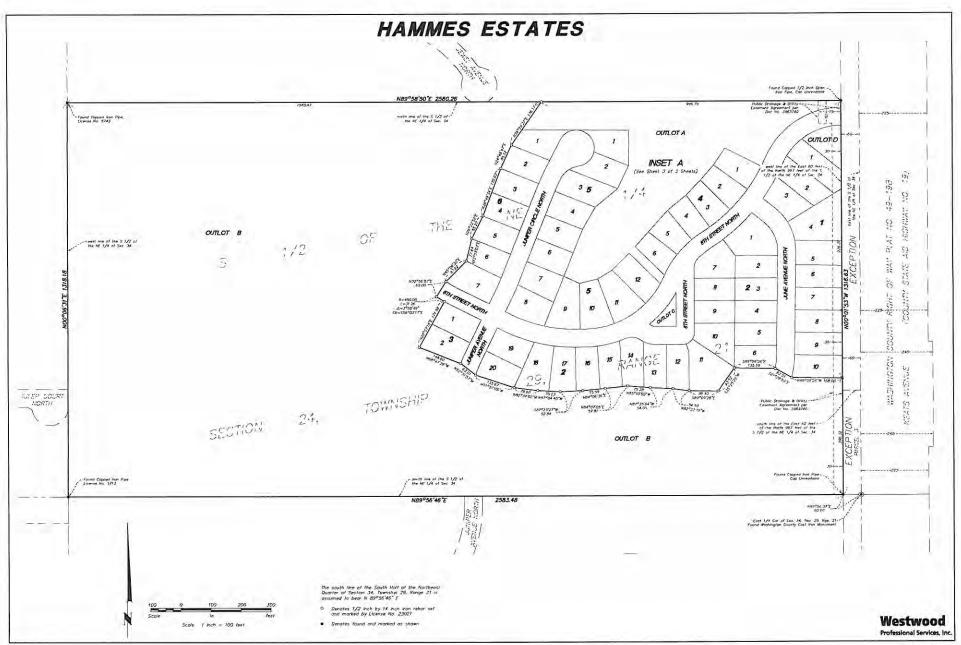
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cc. Brian McGoldrick, Hammes West LLC

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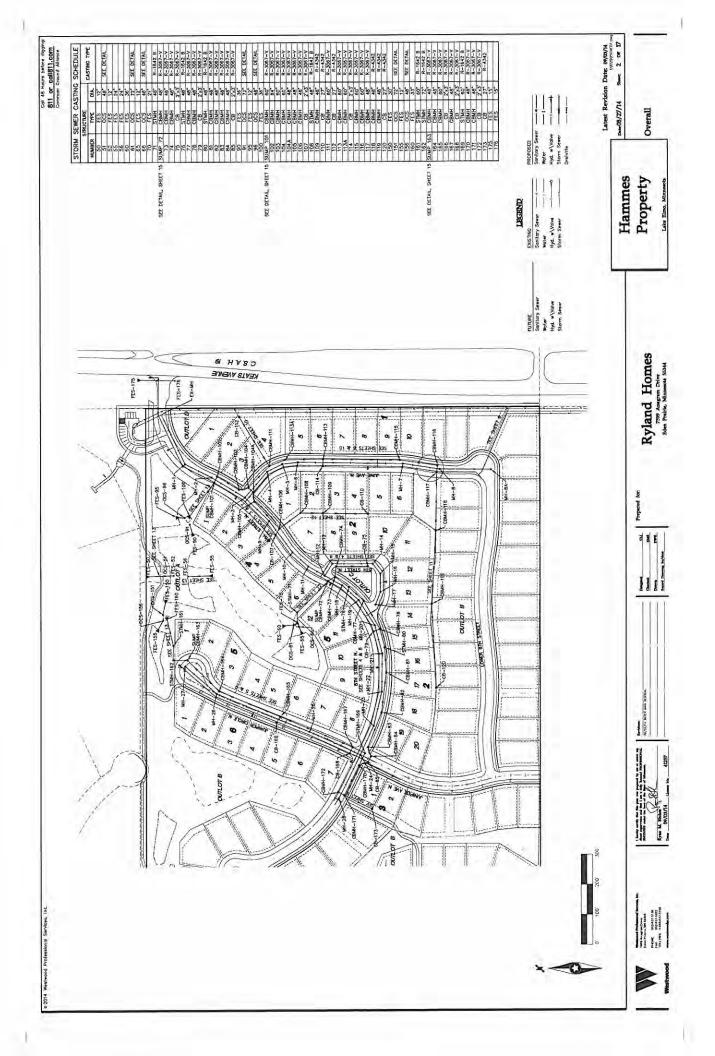
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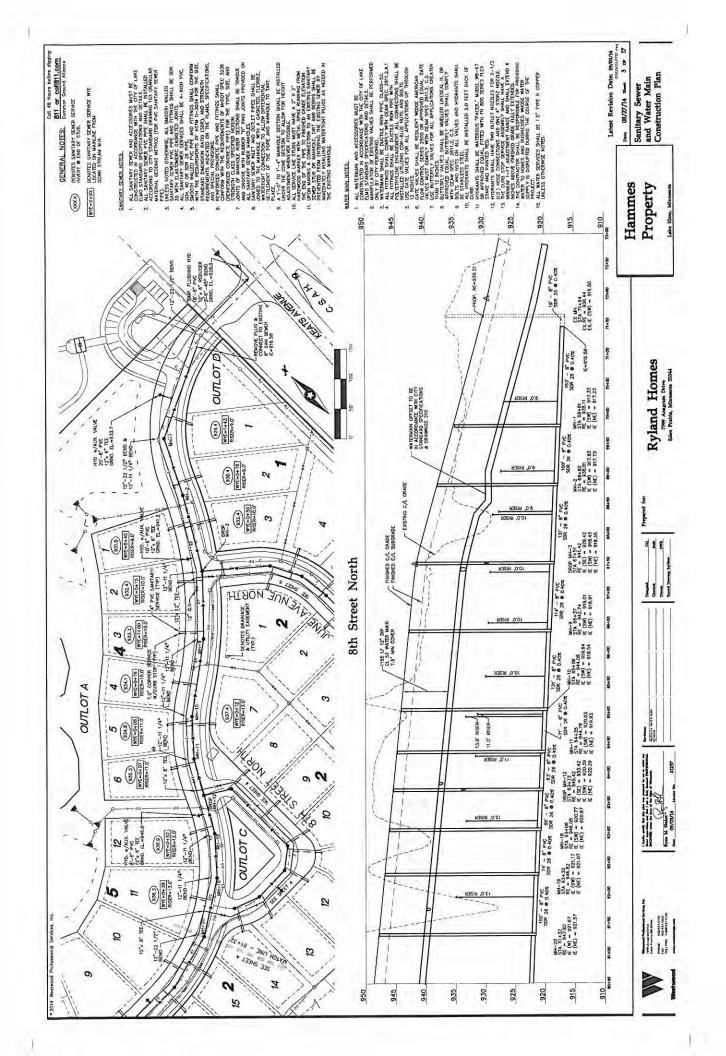
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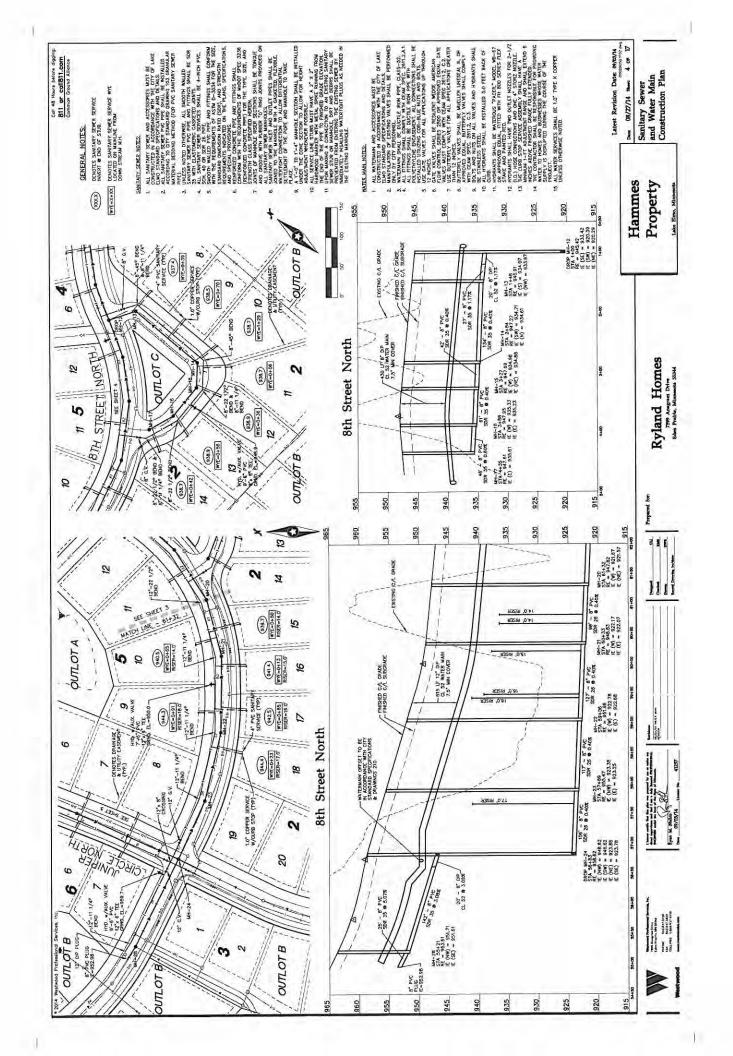
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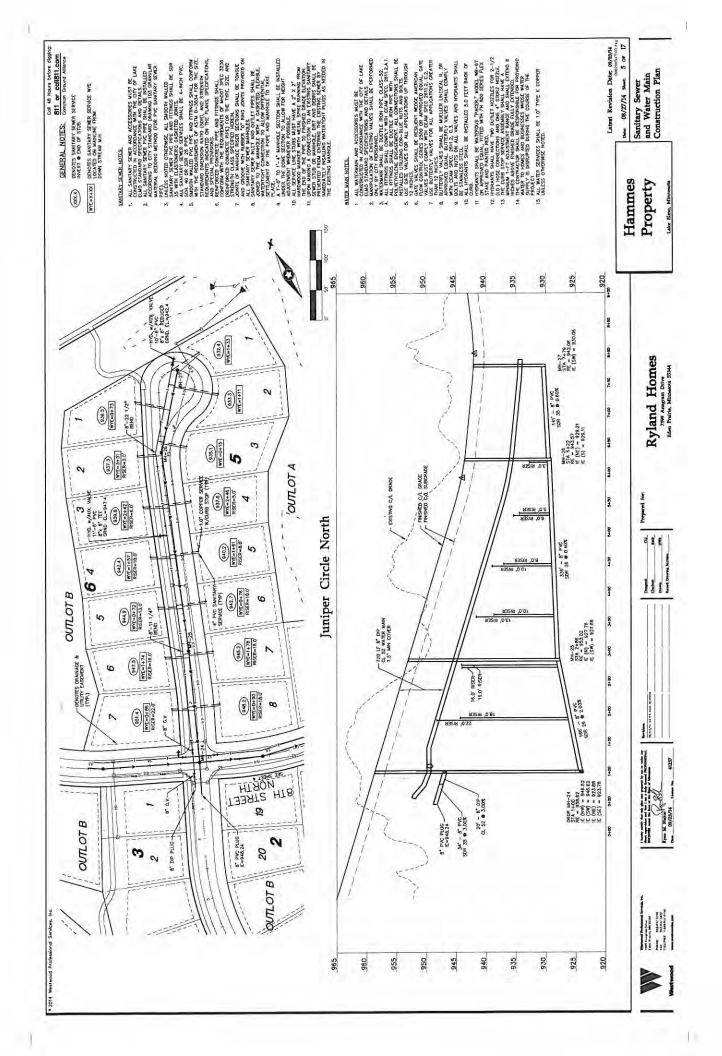
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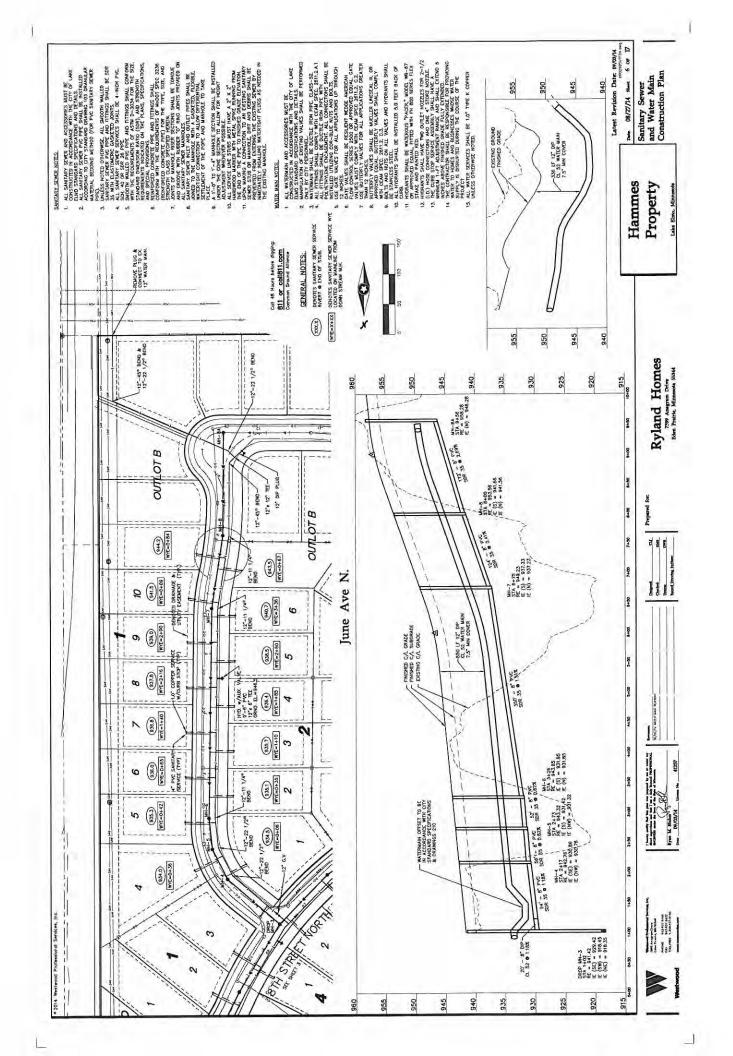
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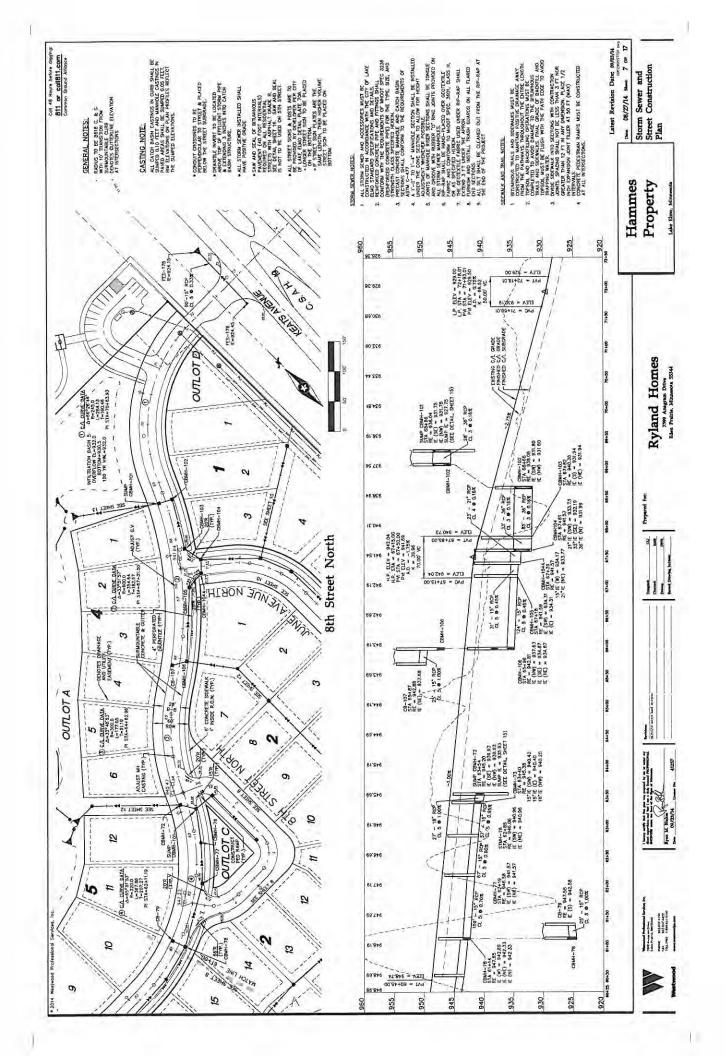


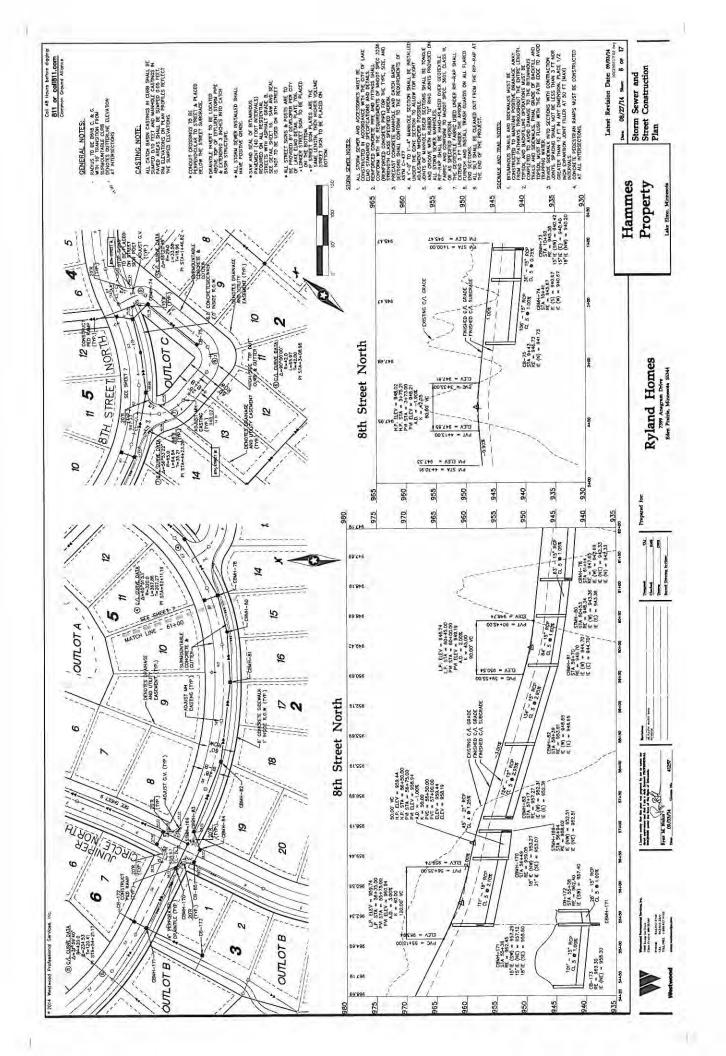


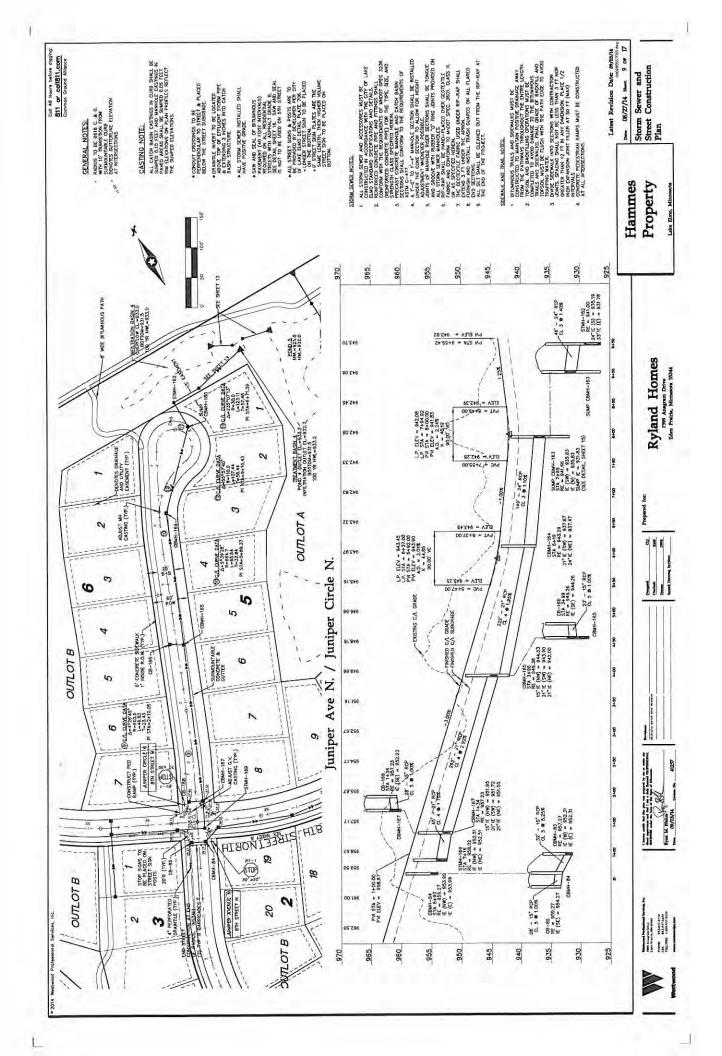


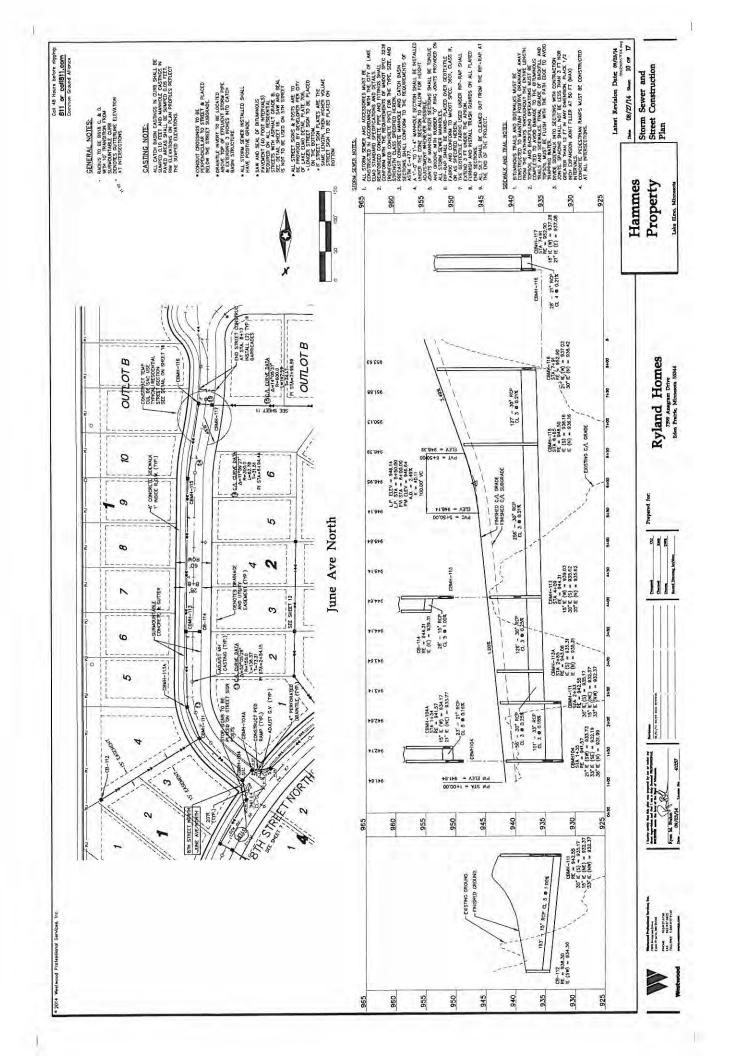


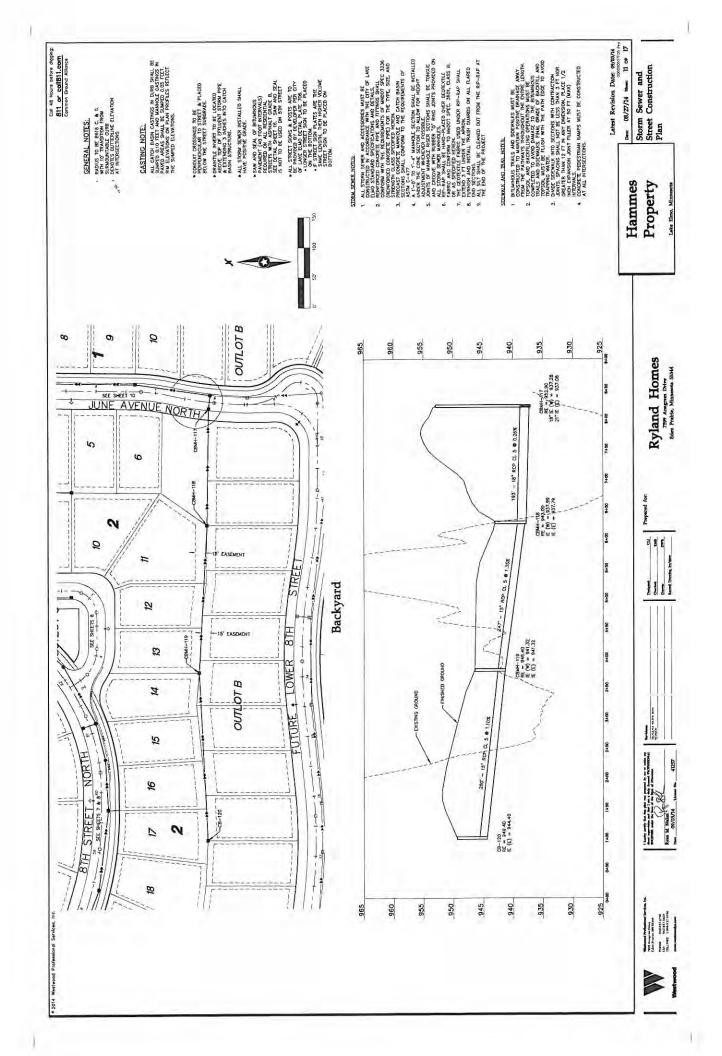


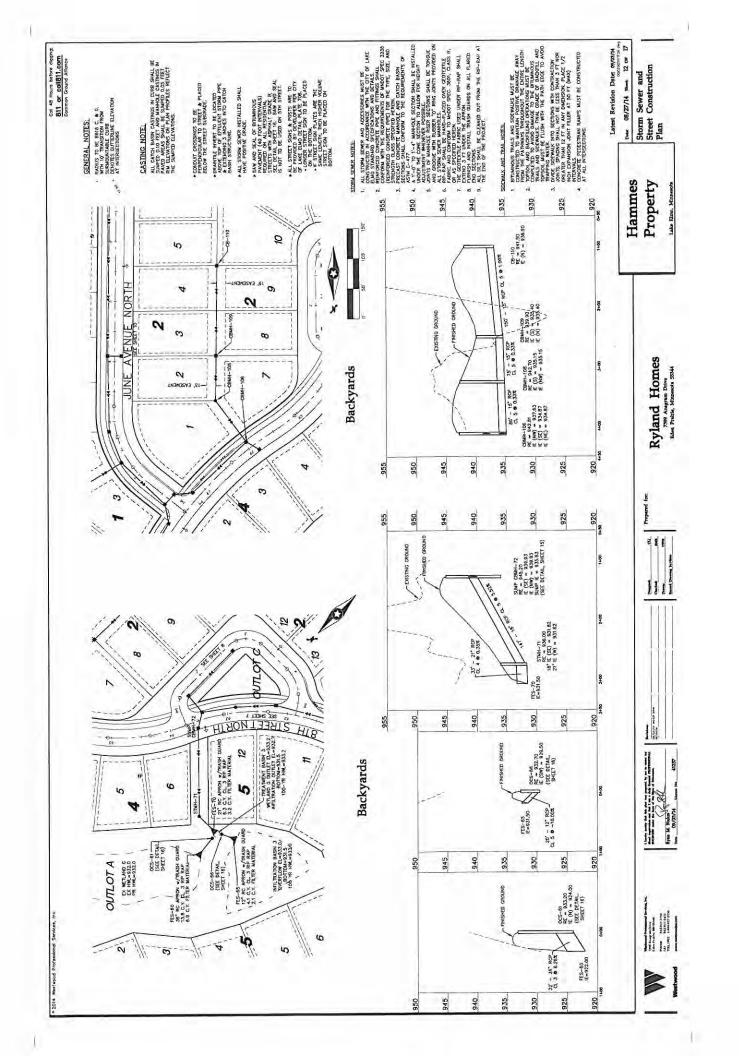


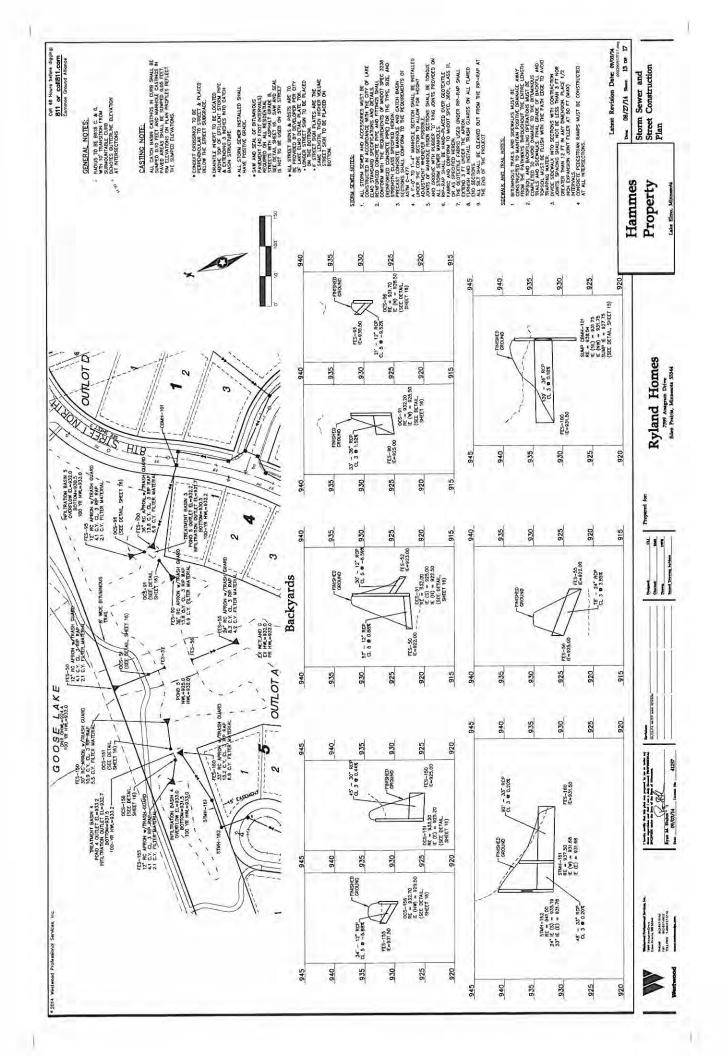


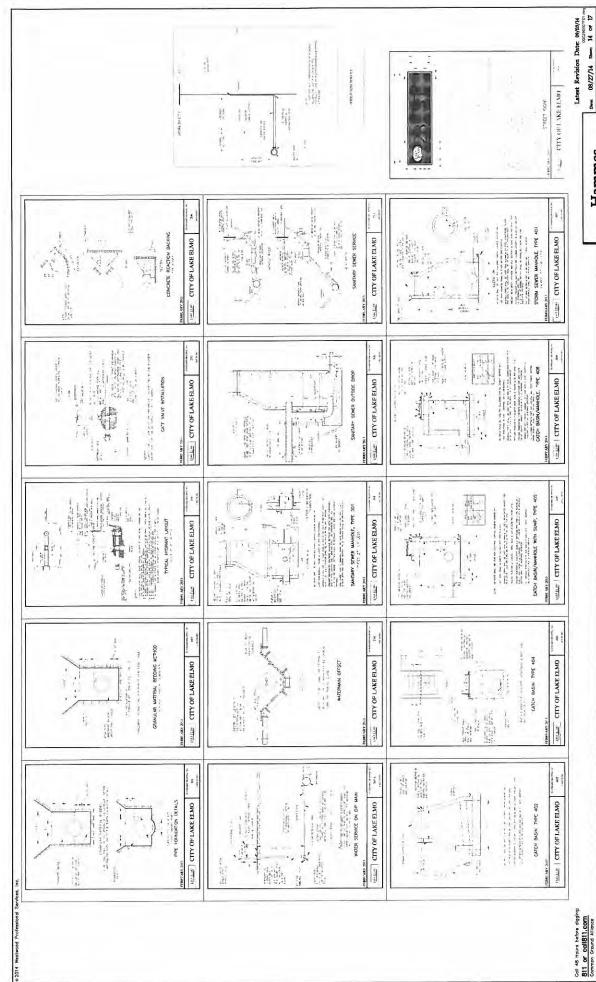
















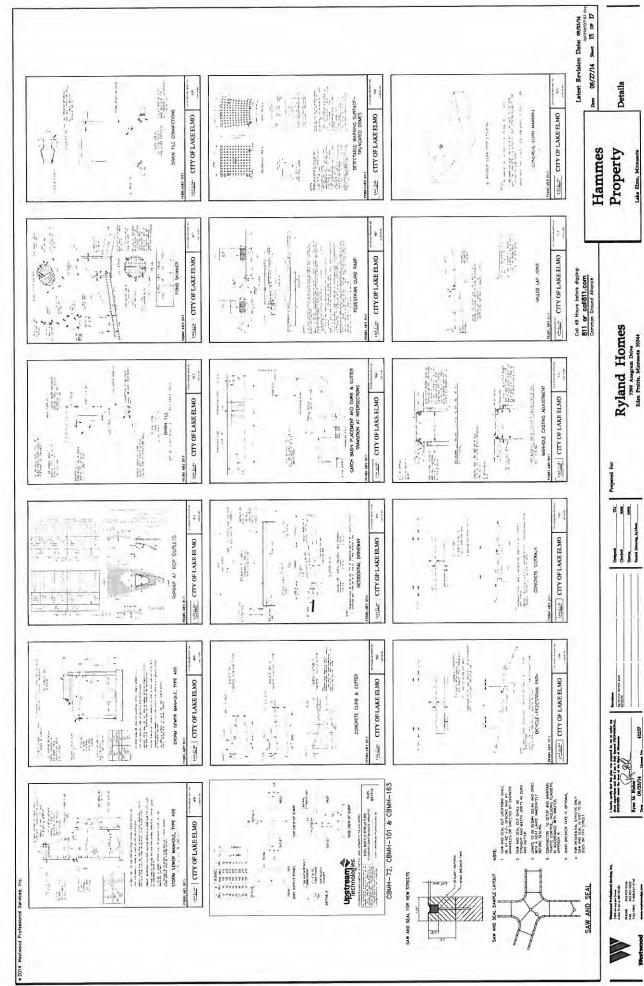


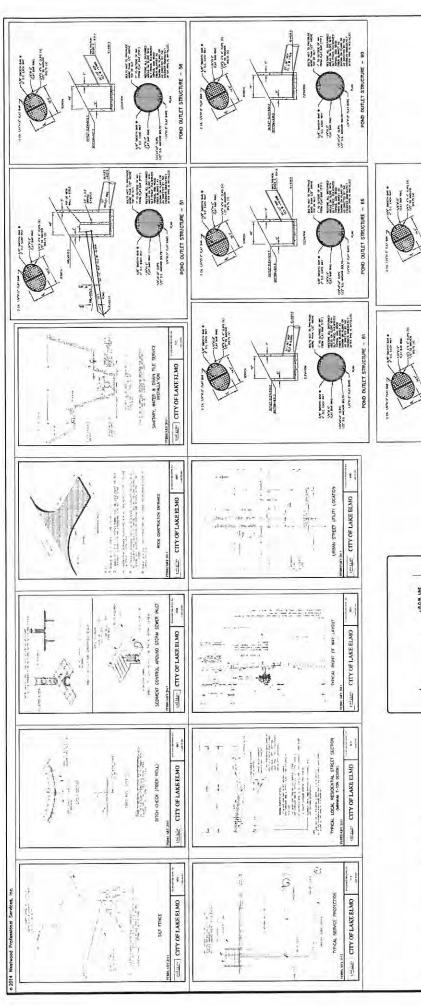


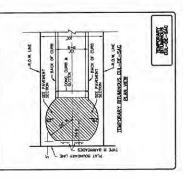
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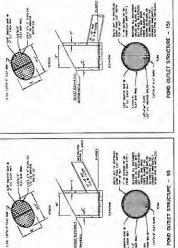




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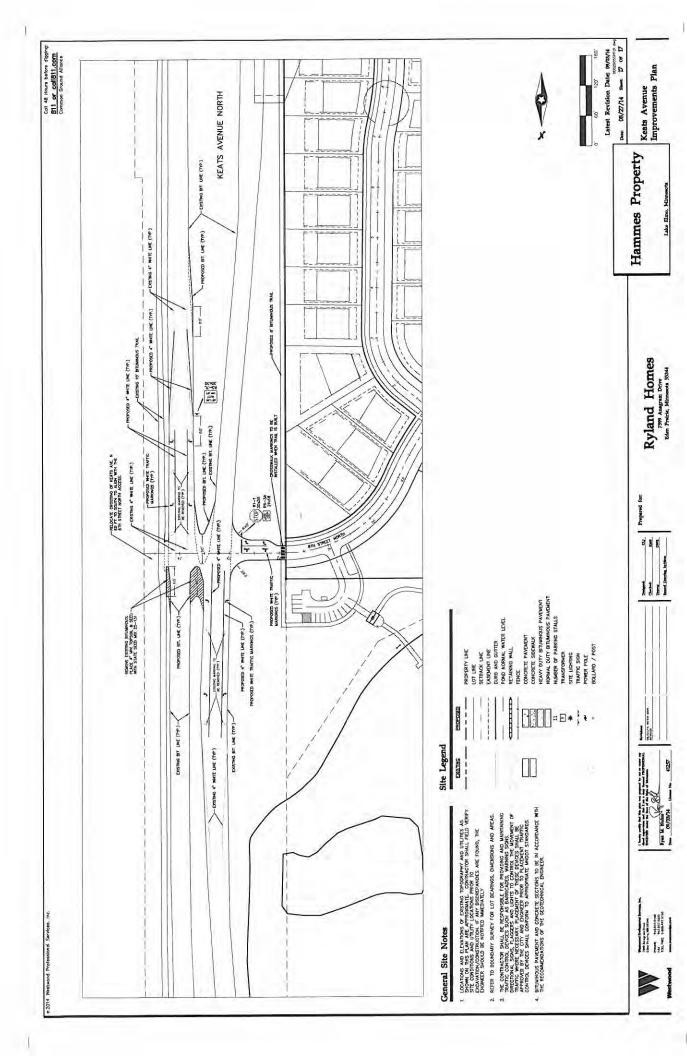
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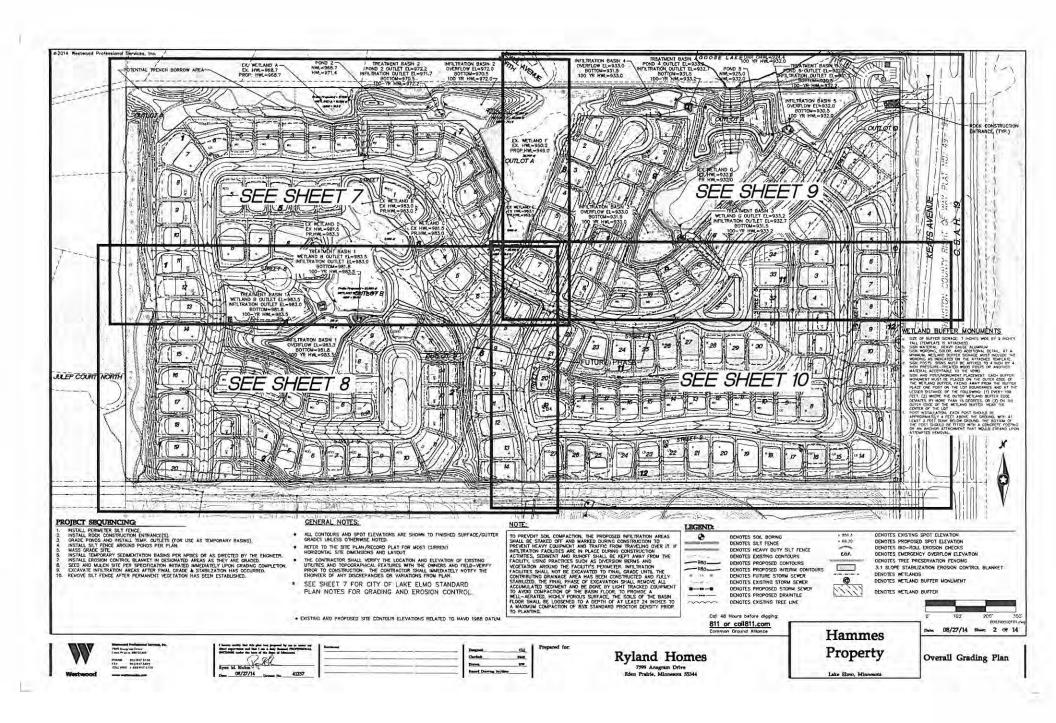
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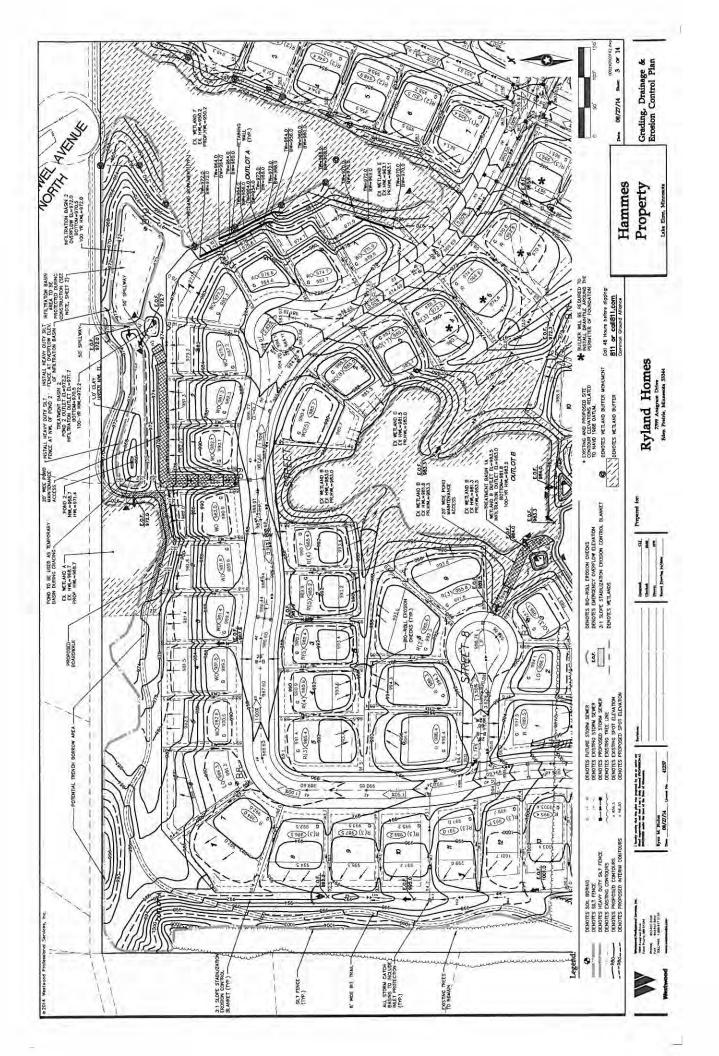
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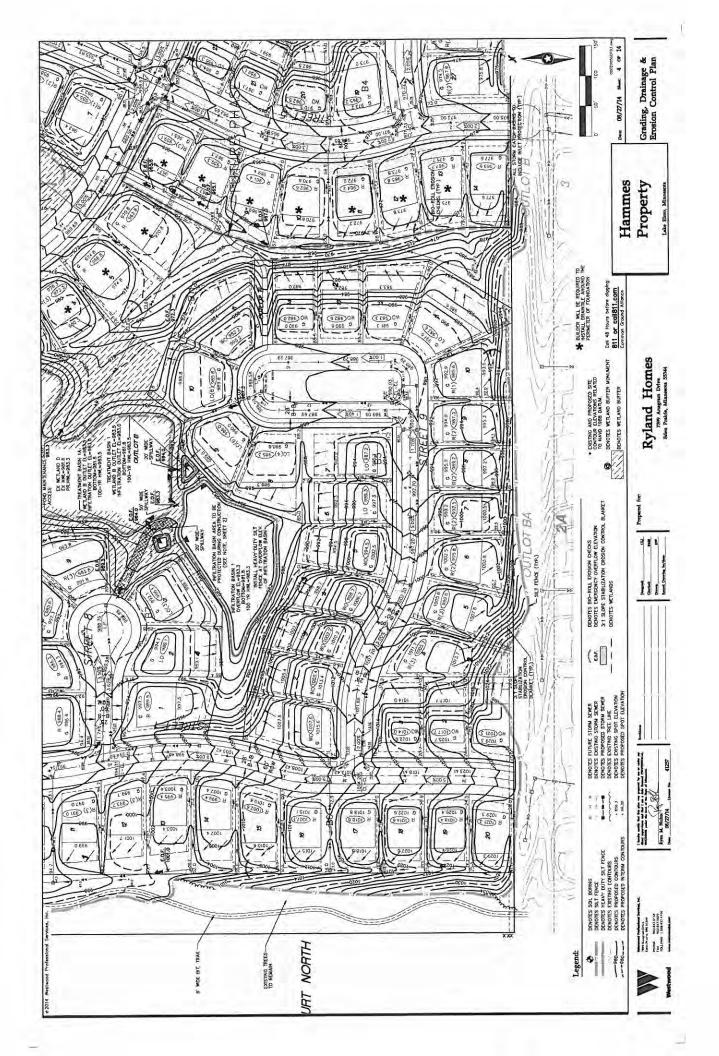
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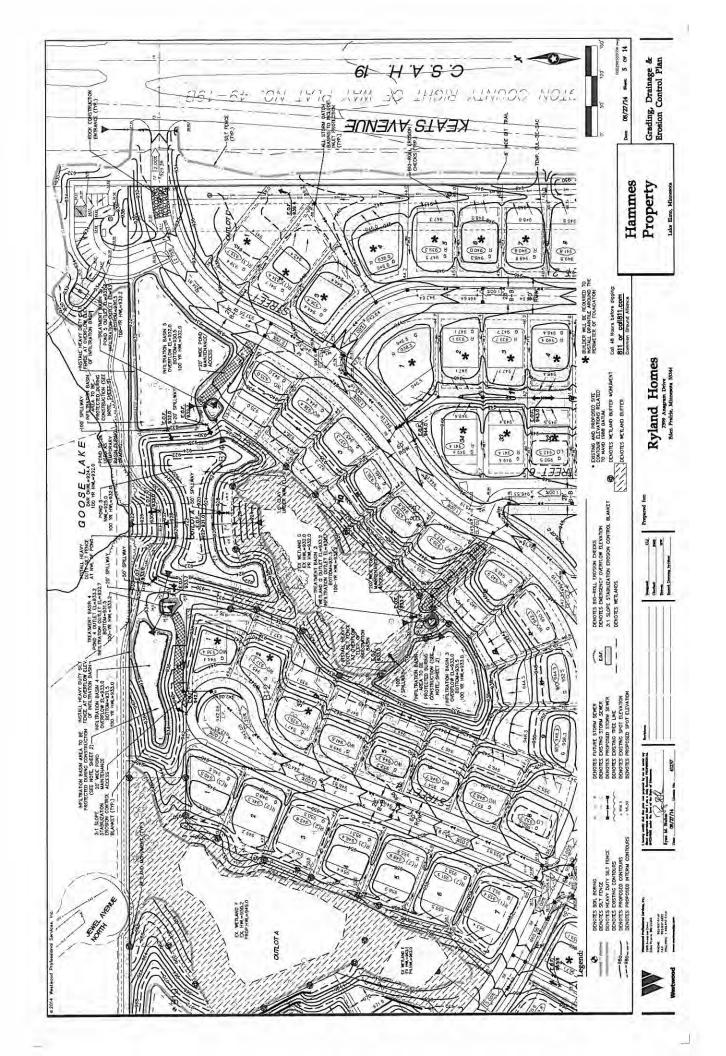
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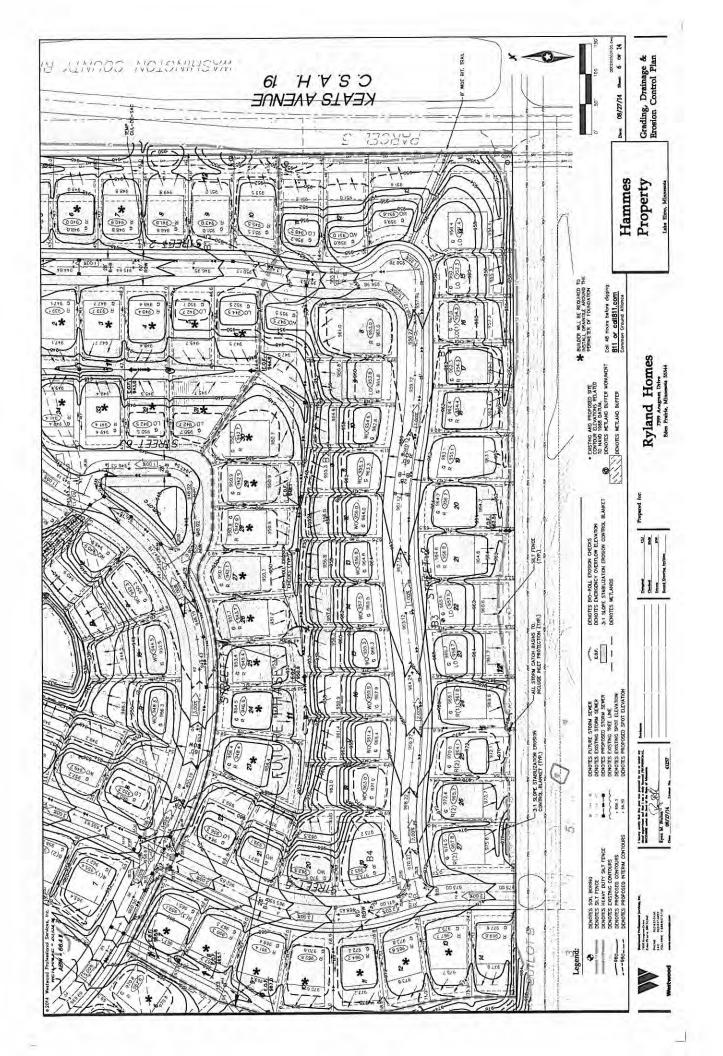
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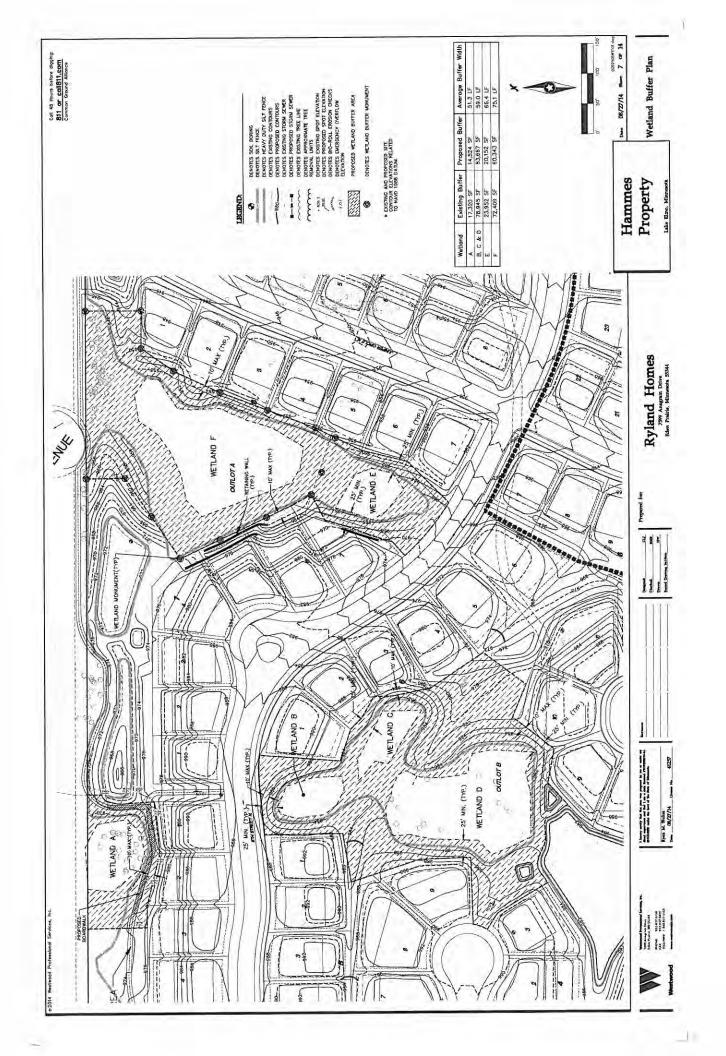


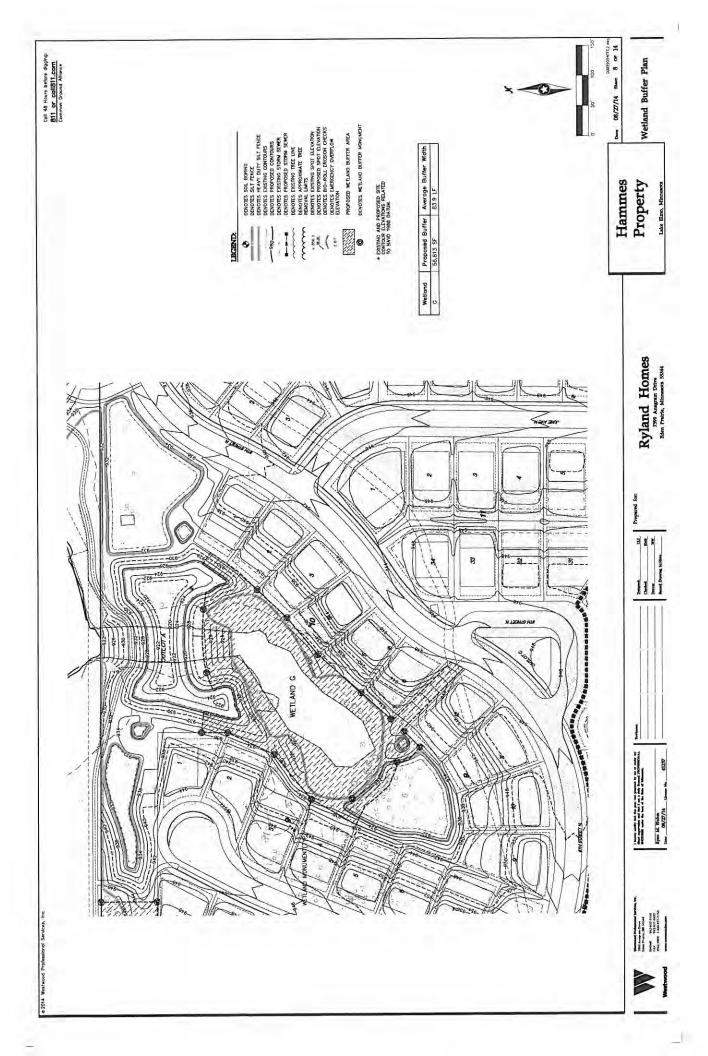


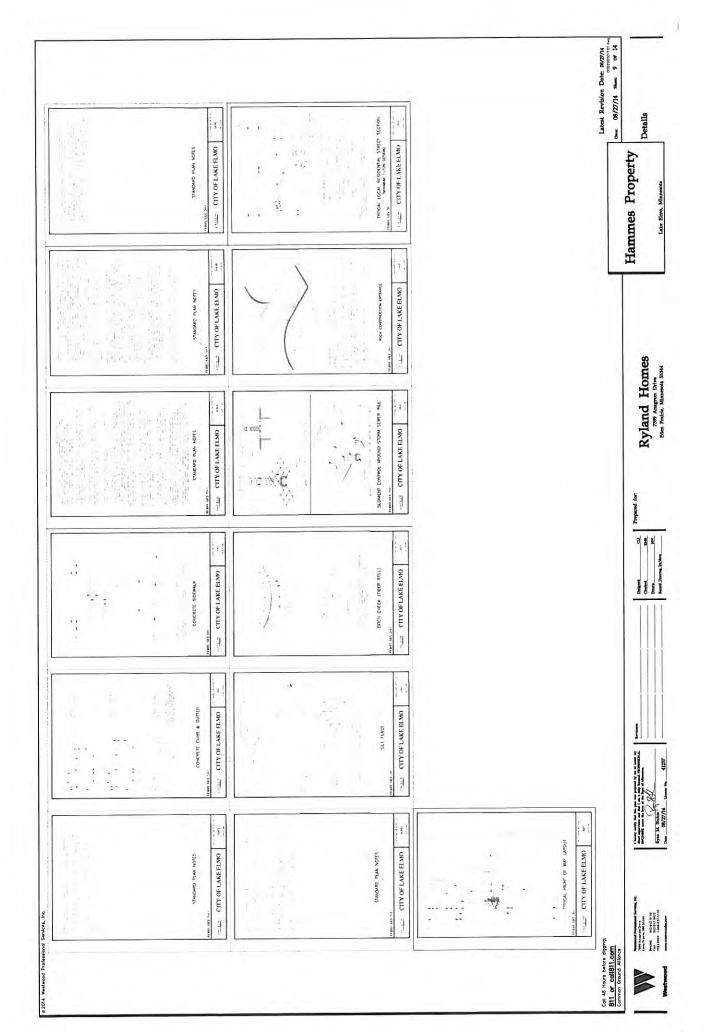


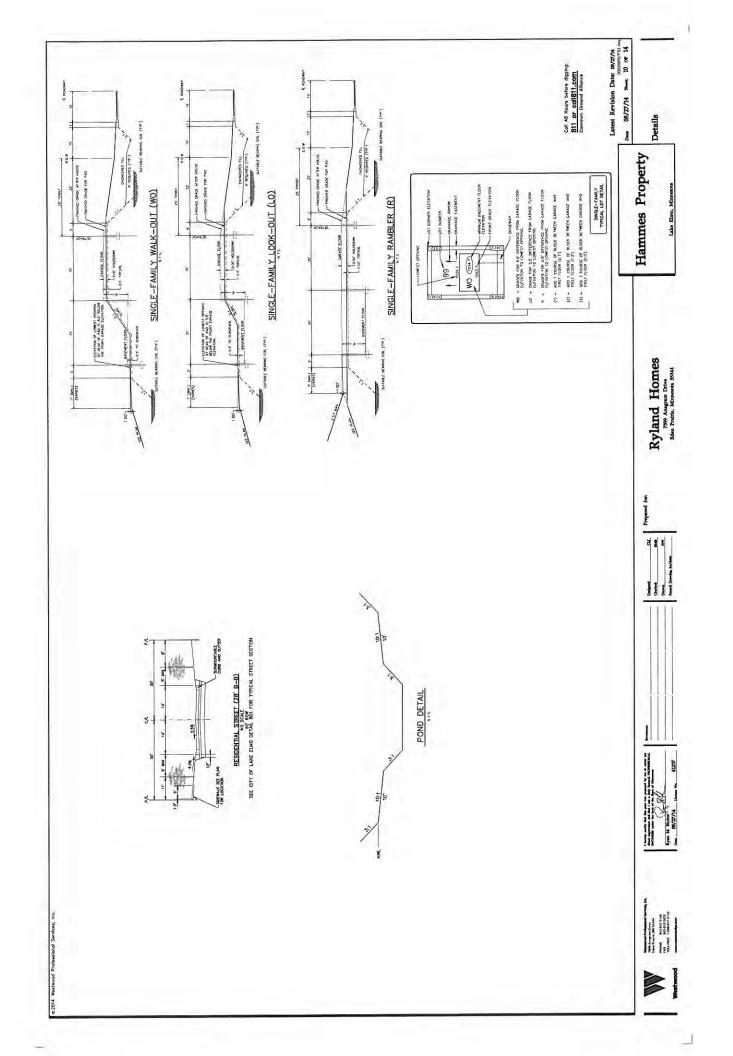


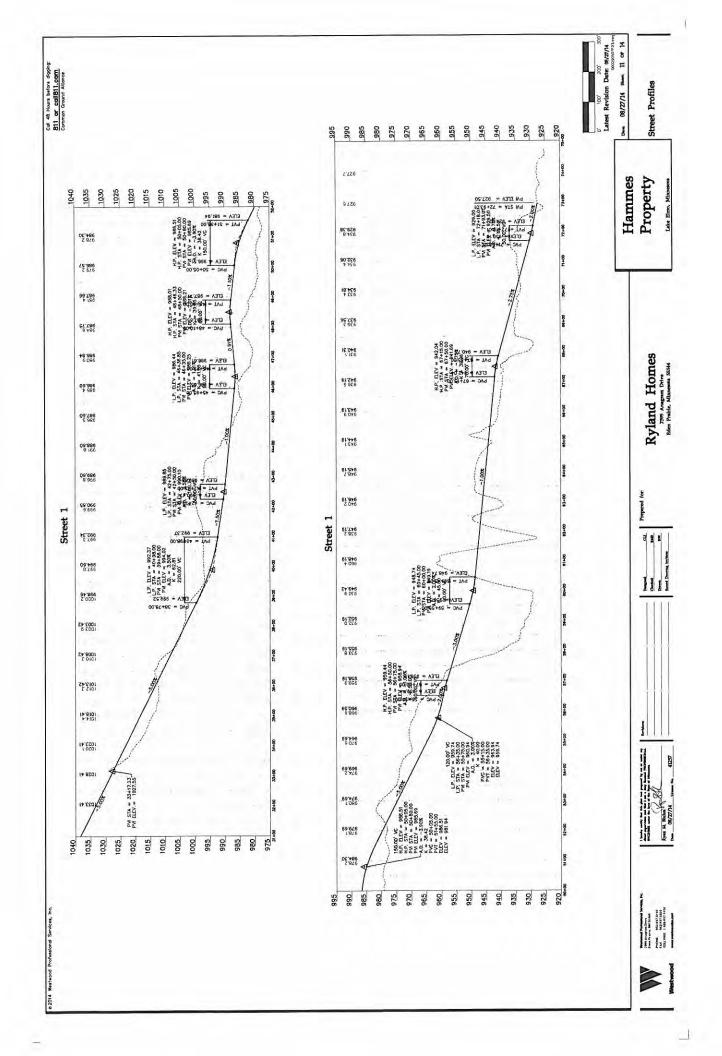


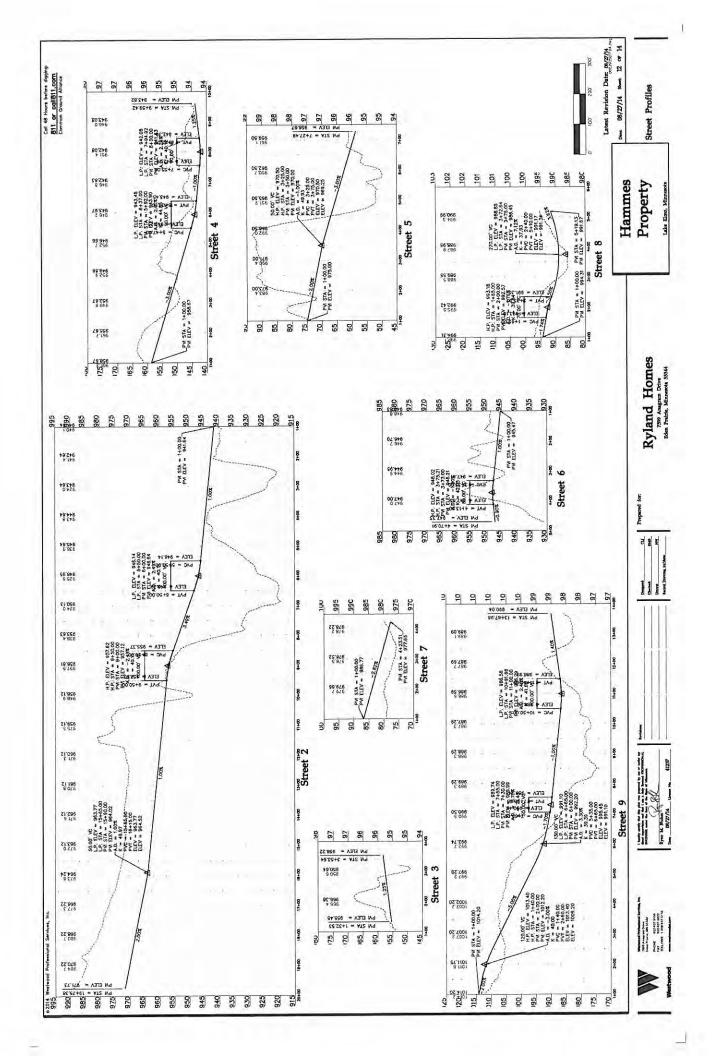


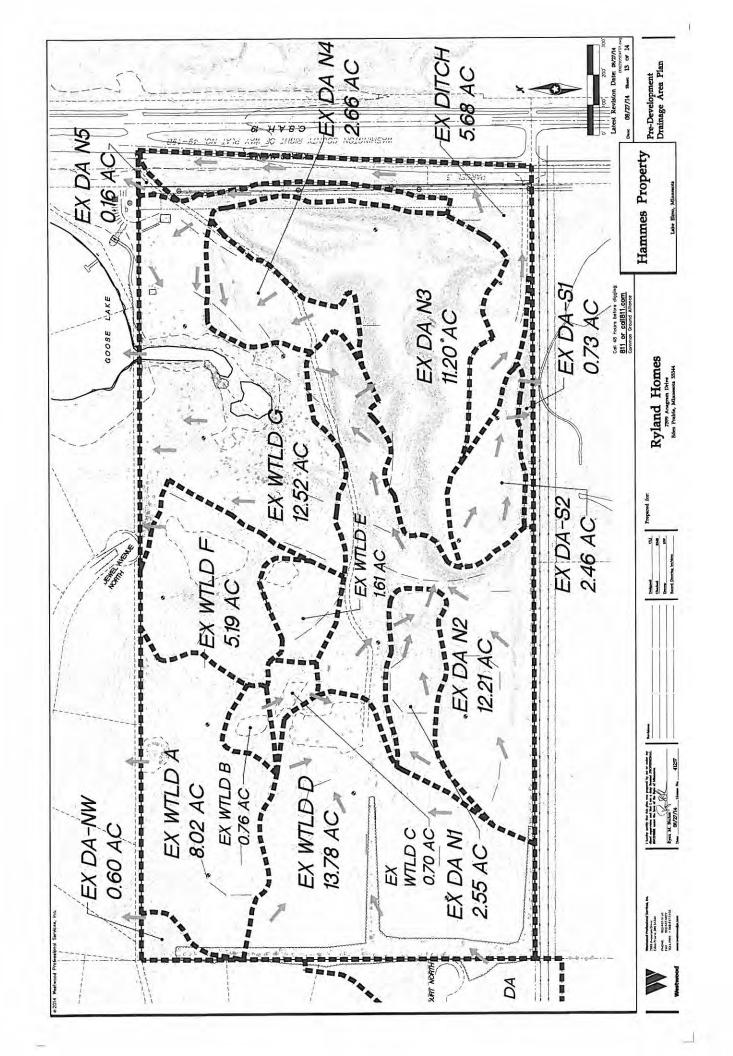


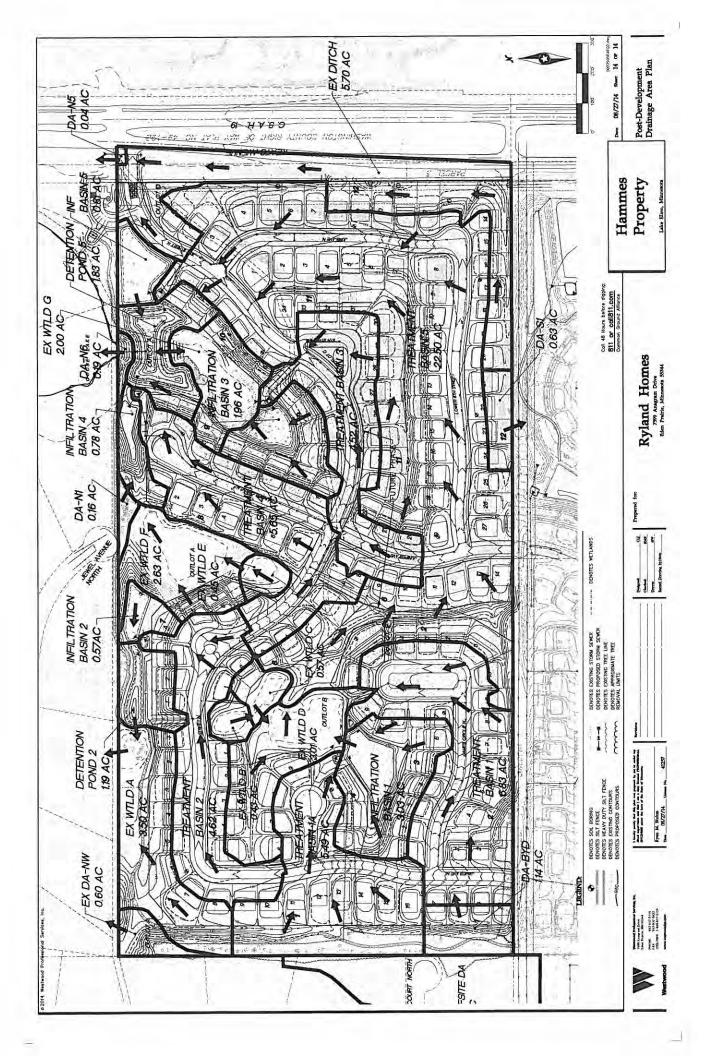


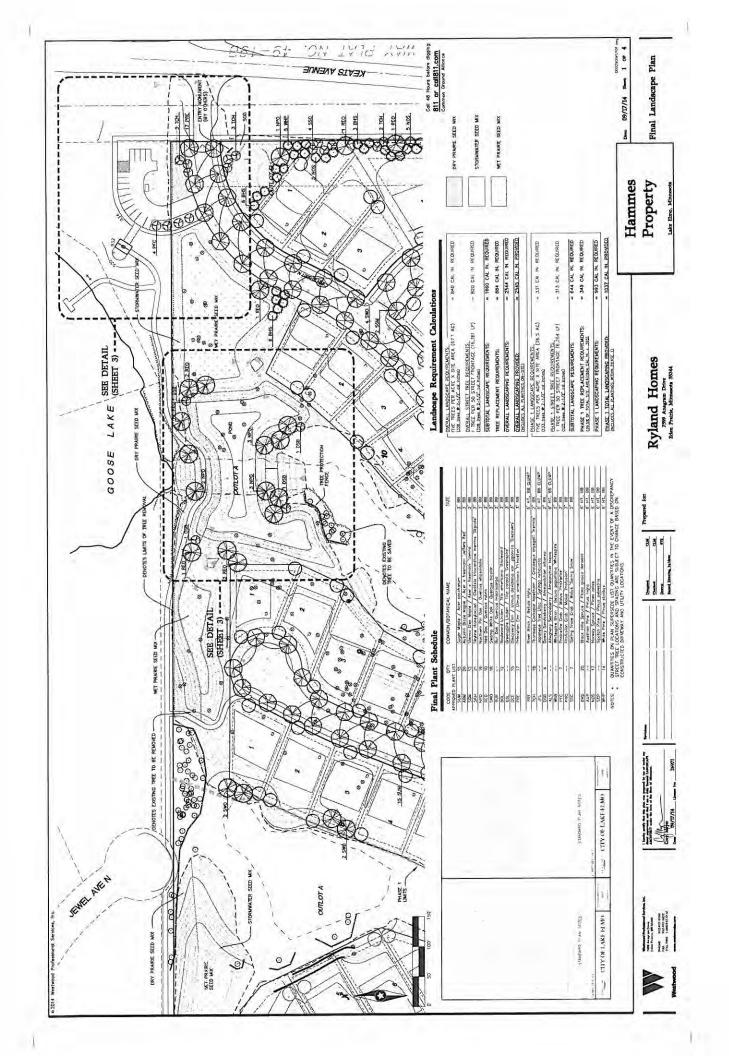


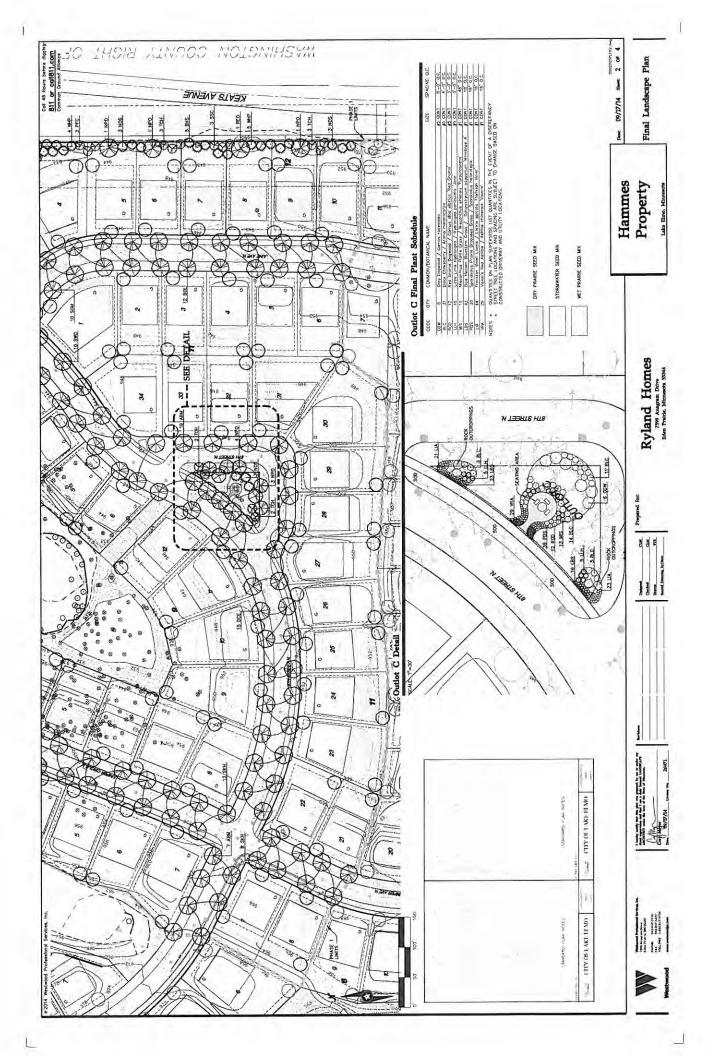


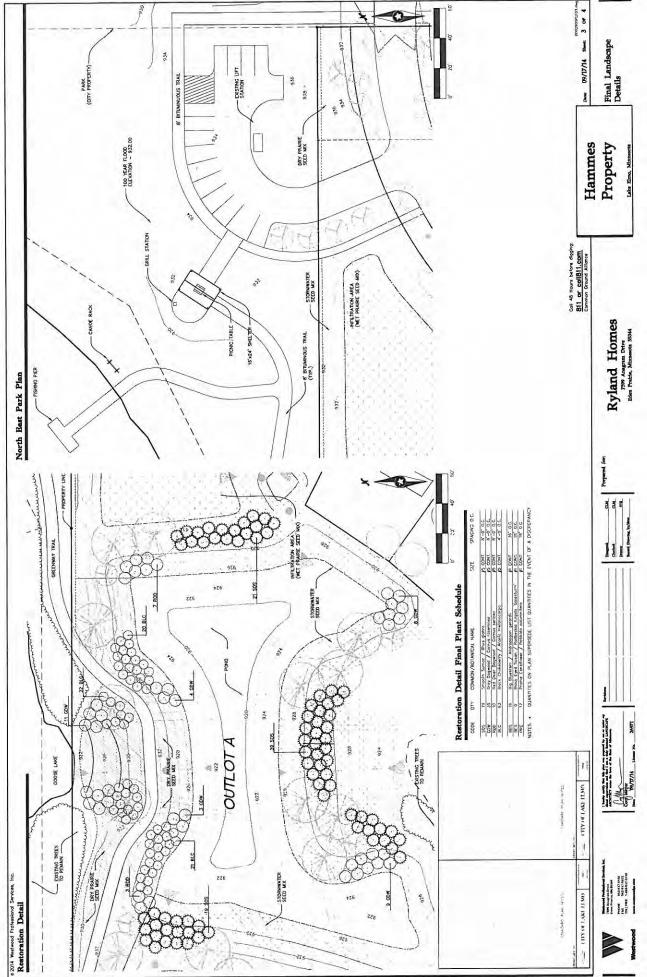


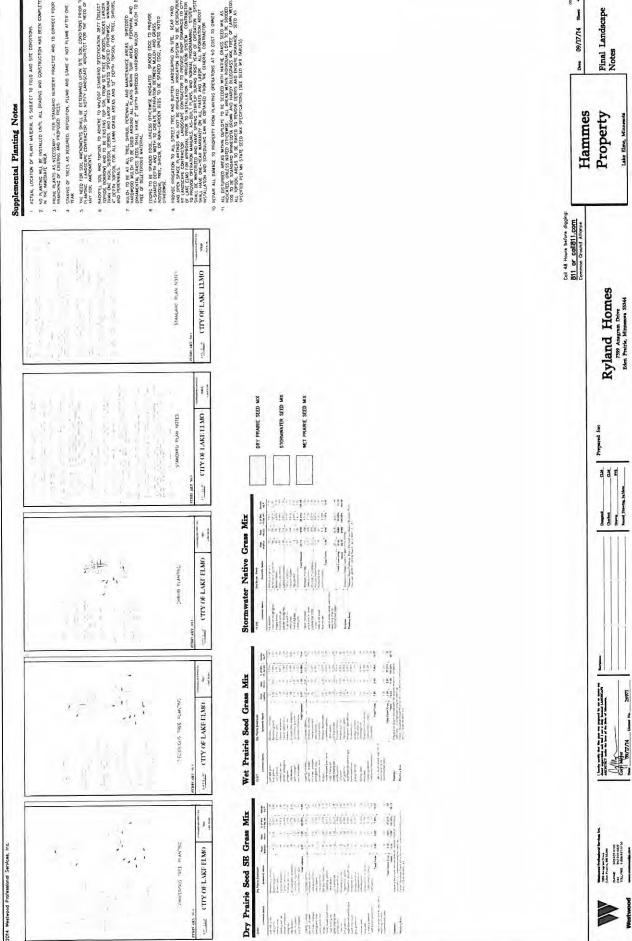












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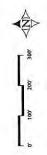
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Final Landscape Notes

PARK LOCATION PLAN











MEMORANDUM

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Date: September 18, 2014

To:

Nick Johnson, City Planner

Cc: Kyle Klatt, Planning Director From: Jack Griffin, P.E., City Engineer Re: Hammes Estates

Final Plat Review

An engineering review has been completed for the Hammes Estates development. Revised Preliminary Plans and Construction Plans were received on September 4, 2014. The submittal consisted of the following documentation prepared by Westwood Professional Services, Inc.:

- Preliminary Plan set (Plat Plan, Utility Plan, and Landscape Plans) dated 08.25.2014.
- Construction Grading, Drainage & Erosion Control Plans dated 08.27.2014.
- Construction Sanitary Sewer, Water Main, Storm Sewer and Streets dated 09.03.2014.
- Project Specification Manual dated May 2014.
- Preliminary Storm Water Runoff Narrative dated 08.07.2014.
- Plan revision response letter dated 08.28.2014.

STATUS/FINDINGS: Engineering review comments are provided below as they may be related to the application for Final Plat or represent more significant design and constructability issues. Upon completion of these issues and granting of Final Plat, staff will resume a more detailed Construction Plan review.

PRELIMINARY AND FINAL PLAT COMMENTS

- Additional easements are required for the Preliminary and Final Plat as outlined within this memorandum.
- The Final Plat and Construction Plans should both be updated to include the Outlot ownership information. The Preliminary Plat indicated all Outlots to be dedicated to the City.
- Note: City utilities will be constructed within Outlot B as part of the first addition. Drainage and utility
 easements must be dedicated to the City of Lake Elmo as part of the First Addition Final Plat, including the
 drainage and utility easements over Outlot B.
- The development agreement should incorporate provisions to require the developer to oversee and address the 5 year invasive species monitoring requirements of the DNR Permit.
- Written permission must be provided from adjacent property owners for grading to extend beyond property lines.
- Written permission must be provided from the Savona development to allow an increase in peak discharge rate from the Hammes Site as proposed in the Stormwater Management Plan.
- Written approval to work within the Electrical Transmission Easement area must be provided prior to construction work.
- Final Grading Plans and Final Street and Utility Construction Plans must be completed and approved by the City Engineer prior to the start of construction. All construction plans must be in accordance with the Lake Elmo engineering design standards and plan format. Any changes proposed in the Lake Elmo

engineering design standards, standard details, plan notes, or specifications must be clearly identified in a "change request" letter by the developer's engineer and submitted for consideration.

UTILITY PLANS AND EASEMENTS

- In coordination with the City, a pressure reducing valve(s) must be constructed as part of the watermain improvements and located on an Outlot dedicated to the City.
- A 12-inch watermain stub must be extended east along Street 1 (8th Street North) to the intersection and County R/W of Keats Avenue for future extension to the east side of CSAH 19.
 - > This 12-inch stub has been provided in the Final Construction Plan set for Phase 1, however it has not been corrected on the Preliminary Utility Plan dated 08.25. This correction must be included in the revised Preliminary Plans.
 - > The future connection location for this 12-inch stub must be placed outside of the paved surface area of the new street.
- The 8-inch watermain line from the Street 8 cul-de-sac to the Street 9 cul-de-sac passes directly under infiltration basin 1 and does not maintain the state required 10-foot offset from storm sewer pipe. An alternate alignment or alternate loop connection must be determined as part of the revised Preliminary Plans. Additional easement must be provided on the Final Plat to accommodate this watermain location as it passes between lots.
- The sanitary sewer segment along the east side of Lot 6, Block 6 needs to move further east to maintain additional offset from the Lot 6 property line. This will result in a changed location for MH28 in the Final Construction Plans.
- Additional easement or pipe alignment adjustments are required at the northeast corner of Lot 1, Block 10 and along the rear yard of Lot 17, Block 11. Corrections are needed on both the revised Preliminary Plans and Final Construction Plans.
- Grading modifications are proposed above the City's existing sanitary sewer gravity and forcemain pipes
 along Keats Avenue. Show the proposed profile over these utilities and include the record drawing
 information provided in the Section 34 Water & Sewer Utility Extension Improvements. The existing
 conditions utilities must be revised on all plan sheets to correctly indicate their location.
- Show existing hydrant, 6-inch gate valve and box, and 12-inch x 6-inch reducer at the southern property line. Construction notes must be updated accordingly.

STORM SEWER SYSTEM

 The Preliminary storm sewer system plan did not comply with the City standard design requirements (minimum pipe cover significantly less than 3.5 feet). Preliminary storm sewer system plans must be revised to comply with City design standards.

CSAH 19 (KEATS AVENUE) IMRPOVEMENTS

 Written documentation is required to demonstrate Washington County approval for the proposed access to Keats Avenue together with any County requirements.

WETLANDS AND WETLAND BUFFERS

- The VBWD does not allow impervious surfaces to be placed on wetlands or wetland buffers. The Plans
 must be revised so that the proposed Boardwalk Trail is constructed along the entire length of the trail
 that is located within the wetland buffer. Boardwalk construction details must be provided in the Final
 Construction Plans.
- The wetland buffer for Wetland G encroaches over the proposed storm water maintenance access road between Lot 6, Block 10 and Lot 12, Block 9. This buffer must be relocated to an area more acceptable to the preservation of buffer areas.

GRADING AND STORM WATER MANGEMENT

VBWD PERMIT: The project has received conditional permit approval through the VBWD. The applicant
must revise and resubmit plans to the City as plan changes are made and resubmitted to the VBWD to

meet all conditions of the VBWD permit approval. The applicant must also submit to the City written documentation from the VBWD that the permit conditions have been satisfied prior to any construction work on the site.

- A VBWD permit must be obtained for the improvements at Goose Lake. Approval for these improvements have not been included in the Subdivision permit.
- A VBWD permit must be obtained for all Lots on Block 8 (Preliminary Plat) or Block 6 (Final Plat). Approval
 for these Lots have not yet been granted.
- Storm water facilities proposed as part of the site plan to meet VBWD permitting requirements must be constructed in accordance with the City Engineering Design Standards Manual.
- Flood protection measures must be incorporated for Lots 4, 5 and 6, Block 8 due to the Wetland E
 perched HWL. These lots are not yet permitted by the VBWD.
- Additional information is still needed to complete a review of the proposed storm water management plan and to verify the proposed grading.
 - > Wetland A area: The existing HWL for Wetland A appears to extend north over the entire existing adjacent property. More information is needed to describe and verify the existing conditions in this area including the existing elevation of the adjacent home.
 - > The Wetland A delineation must be shown on the plans.
 - > Wetland A / Pond 2, Treatment Basin and Infiltration Basin 2 area: Place spot elevations at the high point enclosing Infiltration Basin 2 to ensure that the basin overflow routes west per the intended design.
- Storm water pond, infiltration basin, and wetland HWLs must be fully contained within Outlots. The 100year HWL for Wetland G encroaches proposed Lots 4, 5 and 6, Block 10, and Lot 3, Block 9.
- The grade along the east side of Infiltration basin 5 must be raised along the park entrance road.
- The Park property improvements must be revised to better separate the public use area and the lift station utility area. See attached sketch for possible concept plan.
- The Park property trail from the Goose Lake berm to the picnic area is located below the 100-year HWL and in some locations appears to be below the DNR OHWL.

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September 18, 2014

After review of the HAMMES ESTATES FINAL PLAT - HAMMES WEST LLC, I have two areas of concern:

I have yet to receive final documentation showing that the previous soil contamination reported earlier this year has been mitigated. I recommend that the City not release the Final Plat for recording until the City has received the proper documentation related to the mitigation of the contamination.

Hydrant spacing seems to be well within our guidelines which I was very pleased to see. I would like to see the hydrant located in front of Lots 3 and 4, Block 6 on the west side of the Juniper Circle No. cul-de-sac be more equally spaced between the end of the road and the intersection at 8th St. No.

Reviewed by

Greg Malmquist, Fire Chief

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September 19, 2014

Review of the HAMMES ESTATES FINAL PLAT - HAMMES WEST LLC

This is a follow up to the review letter dated September 18, 2014. Let me start by thanking all parties involved for supplying all the requested documentation related to the soil clean up as requested and in such a timely manner. After reviewing the provided documentation, I followed up with the MPCA for assistance and guidance in deciphering the documentation and ensuring, for everyone's benefit, that all required procedures and processes had been followed in the mitigation of this site. In conversation with the MPCA I discovered that the specifics of this site would cause it to fall under their Brownfield Program.

At this time I am requiring that all documentation related to the mitigation of this site be sent to the MPCA Brownfield Program by the property owners or their representative for review. After review, a letter from the MPCA ensuring that the site has been properly mitigated will need to be provided to the city.

Sincerely,

Greg Malmquist, Fire Chief



<u>HAMMES PROPERTY – DESIGN REVIEW REPORT</u> LAKE ELMO, MN

LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURAL DESIGN REVIEW DATED SEPTEMBER 10TH, 2014

REVIEWED PLAN SET DATED AUGUST 25TH, 2014

Required Action Items by Hammes Project Team

- 1. The plan is in compliance with the landscape requirements. Since this preliminary plan doesn't call out each plant per location on plan, we are excited to look at the next generation of plan development which will have that level of specification for our review.
- 2. Where Colorado Green Spruce is specified: please replace with Norway Spruce.
- Where possible, we would encourage planted islands in the cul-de-sacs within the development to reduce impervious surfaces and create a safer streetscape environment.
- 4. Please provide more information on the walls specified on the plans. Our preference is natural materials such as locally quarried stone or stone derived from the site construction process if appropriate in scale and geology.
- 5. Project Landscape Architect to provide landscape irrigation plans for all commonly held HOA & City R.O.W. areas.

SINCERELY,

LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE, INC.

STEPHEN MASTEY, ASLA, CLARB, LEED AP BD+C DIRECTOR OF DESIGN



HAMMES PROPERTY - DESIGN REVIEW REPORT LAKE ELMO, MN

LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURAL DESIGN REVIEW DATED SEPTEMBER 18TH, 2014

REVIEWED PLAN SET DATED SEPTEMBER 17TH, 2014

Required Action Items by Hammes Project Team

- 1. The plan is in compliance with the landscape requirements.
- 2. Where Red Gnome Dogwood is specified: please replace with another shrub selection that is a hardier choice.
- 3. Please provide more detailed landscape information for North East Park.
- 4. Please provide more detailed information on entry monuments & signage proposed.
- 5. Please provide more detail on the hardscape materials and site furnishings proposed in Outlot C.
- 6. Provide landscape irrigation plans for all commonly held HOA & City R.O.W. areas.

SINCERELY,

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VALLEY BRANCH WATERSHED DISTRICT PERMIT APPLICATION

Return application to John Hanson Barr Engineering Company Engineers for the Valley Branch Watershed District 4700 West 77th Street Edina, MN 55435-4803



A permit fee shall accompany this permit, unless waived by the Board of Managers. (Governmental Bodies are not required to pay a fee.)

Project Information	Applicant Information
Name of Project: Hammes Property	Name: rlammes wast LLC
Purpose of Project:	BRIAN WCGOldeck
Single-Family subdivison to create 165 lots	Address: 36 moonlight BAT
Project Location (street address, if known; otherwise, major intersection): Westside of Keats Avenue, south of Goose Lake	City, State, Zip: STILLNATER, MM 55652
City or Township: Lake Elmo	S Illiwarted 3363C
Legal Description (proof of ownership required): PID: See attached survey Section: 34 Township: 29 Range: 21	Phone: 451 - 387 - 1000 Fax:
Project Timeline: Start Date: 4/15/2014 Completion Date: 10/31/2016	Email: brian j m'Goldente et boilmus
Authorized Agent Information	Owner Information (if different than Applicant)
Name: Ryan Bluhm	Name: Ellie HAMMES
Business Name: Westwood Professional Services Address: 7699 Anagram Drive	Address: FROST AVANGE
	City, State, Zip:
City, State, Zip: Eden Prairie, MN 55344	MAPPENSON MU 55001
Phone: 952-906-7432	Phone: 657-436-8656
Fax: 952-937-5822	Fax: N/H
Email: ryan.bluhm@westwoodps.com	Email: WA

Once a Valley Branch Watershed District permit has been approved, the permit conditions will attached to the back of this form.

By signing this permit application, the permit applicant, his/her agent, and owner (hereinafter "Permittee") shall abide by all the conditions set by the Valley Branch Watershed District (VBWD). All work which violates the terms of the permit by reason of presenting a serious threat of soil erosion, sedimentation, or an adverse effect upon water quality or quantity, or violating any rule of the VBWD may result in the VBWD issuing a Stop Work Order which shall immediately cause the work on the project related to the permit to cease and desist. All work on the project shall cease until the permit conditions are met and approved by the VBWD representatives. In the event Permittee contests the Stop Work Order issued by the VBWD, Permittee shall attend a VBWD Board of Managers meeting and discuss the project. Any attorney fees, costs, or other expenses incurred on behalf of the VBWD in enforcing the terms of the permit shall be the sole expense of the permit applicant. Costs shall be payable from the permit applicant's permit fee. If said fees exceed the permit amount, the Permittee shall have ten (10) days from the date of receipt of the invoice from the VBWD to pay for the cost incurred in enforcing the permit, by which to pay the VBWD for said costs. If costs are not paid within the ten (10) days, the VBWD will draw on the permit applicant's surety. The Permittee agrees to be bound by the terms of the final permit and conditions required by the VBWD for approval of the permit. The permit applicant further acknowledges that he/she has the authority to bind the owner of the property and/or any entity performing the work on the property pursuant to the terms of the VBWD permit, and shall be responsible for complying with the terms of the VBWD permit.

Signatures (Required):

Mannesurs LC Man J. W. Wildick 3/7/14 Applicant/Date

Owner (if different than Applicant)/Date

Owner's Authorized Agent/Date





August 25, 2014

Brian McGoldrick Hammes West, LLC 36 Moonlight Bay Stillwater, MN 55082

Re: Hammes Property: Lake Elmo, Minnesota VBWD Permit #2014-07

Dear Mr. McGoldrick:

Enclosed is the Valley Branch Watershed District (VBWD) permit for your project. Please note the following conditions imposed by the Managers, which are also listed on the back of the permit.

- This permit is not valid until the permit applicant submits documentation from the owner of the Savona development that he/she will allow an increase in the peak discharge rate from the Hammes site.
- This permit is not valid until a maintenance agreement in the general format of Appendix B of the VBWD Rules is submitted to and approved by the VBWD Attorney and fully executed.
- 3. This permit does not allow any impervious surface (other than the outlet pipe and riprap of Pond 5) to be constructed within 25 feet of Elevation 924.4 of Goose Lake. This permit does not allow for the construction of the proposed parking lot and structure at the southeast corner of Goose Lake. The proposed boardwalk must conform to all applicable standards.
- Wetland buffer signage must be installed as required by the VBWD Rules and Regulations.
 Specifications for the proposed signs shall be submitted and approved by the VBWD prior to installation.
- 5. Plans must be revised to include draintile around the perimeters of the proposed homes on Lots 1-3 of Block 9. This permit does not allow any homes to be constructed on Block 8. To ensure any homes constructed on Block 8 are protected from groundwater, at least 3 soil borings down to Elevation 924 must be constructed between Wetland F and the proposed building pads. Soil boring logs that include the Unified Soil Classification and any encountered water levels must be submitted.
- The required fee and surety shall be submitted prior to construction. This permit is not valid until the permit fee and surety are submitted.



- Prior to any construction, a construction sequencing plan shall be submitted, approved, and followed.
 The construction sequencing plan shall ensure that the project conforms to all VBWD Rules and
 Regulations throughout construction.
- 8. This permit is not transferable.
- 9. This permit is subject to obtaining all other permits required by governmental agencies having jurisdiction (including a NPDES permit).
- 10. The VBWD Engineer and Inspector shall be notified at least 3 days prior to commencement of work.
- 11. Erosion controls shall be installed prior to the commencement of grading operations and must be maintained throughout the construction period until turf is established. Additional erosion controls may be required, as directed by the VBWD Inspector or VBWD Engineer.
- 12. The following additional erosion controls shall be implemented on the site:
 - All proposed slopes 3 feet horizontal to 1 foot vertical (3H:1V) should be covered with erosioncontrol blanket.
 - b. Silt fence should follow existing contours as closely as feasible to limit the potential for gully erosion along the edges.
 - Any sediment that collects in storm sewers, ponds, or other water management features shall be removed.
 - d. If erosion occurs at the outlets of the storm sewer pipes, the applicant will be responsible for correcting the problem to the satisfaction of the VBWD.
- 13. To prevent soil compaction, the proposed infiltration area shall be staked off and marked during construction to prevent heavy equipment and traffic from traveling over it. If the infiltration facility is in place during construction activities, sediment and runoff shall be kept away from the facility, using practices such as diversion berms and vegetation around the facility's perimeter. The infiltration facility shall not be excavated to final grade until the contributing drainage area has been constructed and fully stabilized. The final phase of excavation shall remove all accumulated sediment and be done by light, tracked equipment to avoid compaction of the basin floor. To provide a well-aerated, highly porous surface, the soils of the basin floor shall be loosened to a depth of at least 24 inches to a maximum compaction of 85% standard proctor density prior to planting.
- 14. All disturbed areas shall be vegetated within 14 days of final grading.
- 15. The applicant is responsible for removal of all temporary erosion-control measures, including silt fence, upon establishment of permanent vegetation at the project site, as determined by the VBWD Engineer and/or Inspector.
- 16. Valley Branch Watershed District shall be granted drainage easements, which cover: (a) land adjacent to stormwater management facilities, wetlands, and lowlands up to their 100-year flood elevations and (b) all ditches, storm sewers, and maintenance access to the stormwater management facilities.

- 17. The minimum floor elevations for all buildable lots in the development shall be recorded in a Declaration of Covenants and Restrictions or on the final plat.
- 18. The required drainage easements and access easements shall be recorded with the Washington County Recorder's Office.
- 19. Return or allowed expiration of any remaining surety and permit close out is dependent on the permit holder providing proof that all required documents have been recorded (including but not limited to easements) and providing as-built drawings that show that the project was constructed as approved by the Managers and in conformance with the VBWD rules and regulations.

Thank you for your cooperation with the District's permit program.

Sincerely,

David J. Bucheck, President

Valley Branch Watershed District

DJB/ymh Enclosure

c: Ray Marshall, VBWD Attorney

Ray Roemmich, VBWD Inspector

Molly Shodeen, MDNR

Kyle Klatt, City Planning Director-City of Lake Elmo

Jack Griffin, City Engineer, FOCUS Engineering—City of Lake Elmo

Building Inspector—City of Lake Elmo

Ryan Bluhm, Westwood Professional Services-Authorized Agent

Ellie Hammes—Owner

Nathan Campbell, Corps of Engineers

Brad Johnson, MDNR

Jed Chesnut, Washington Conservation District

Brooke Haworth MDNR

Ben Meyer, Minnesota Board of Water and Soil Resources

Karen Wold, Barr Engineering Company

Yvonne Huffman, Barr Engineering Company



MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

Permit Number 2015-0193

Public Waters Work Permit

Expiration Date: 08/27/2016

Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 103G, and on the basis of statements and information contained in the permit application, letters, maps, and plans submitted by the applicant and other supporting data, all of which are made part hereof by reference, **PERMISSION IS HEREBY GRANTED** to the applicant to perform actions as authorized below.

Project Name:	County:	Watershed:	Res	source:
Goose Lake shoreland berm	Washington	Lower St. Croix Ri	Pit; Dito We	d/Gravel Pit: Sand/Gravel h: Ditch; dand: Goose (South) 011302)
Purpose of Permit:		Authorized Act	tion:	
Harbor/Slip/Channel/Ditch Fill		Place approximately 3,000 cubic yards of clean inorganic fill to create ditch block at the south end of Goose Lake to restore the shoreline to disconnect previously excavated gravel pit section from the lake; in accordance with plans received with the permit application 07-29-2014 and 08-06-2014.		
Permittee:		Authorized Agents (2):		
HAMMES WEST LLC CONTACT: HAMMES, MR. 36 MOONLIGHT BAY STILLWATER, MN 55082 (651) 436-8656		KELLY BOPRAY N7831 920TH STREET RIVER FALLS, WI 54022 (715) 307-4577 kjbopray@yahoo.com JAMES GASPERINI 3121 ST. CROIX TRAIL SOUTH AFTON, MN 55001 (651) 436-8656 alo@aftonlaw.net		
Property Description (Ia	and owned or leased or	where work will be co	nducted):	
UTM zone 15N, 507429m ea SENE of Section 34, T29N, F		id),		
Authorized Issuer:	Title:	Issued Date:	Effective Date:	Expiration Date:
Molly Shodeen	Area Hydrologist	08/27/2014	08/27/2014	08/27/2016

This permit is granted subject to the following CONDITIONS:

APPLICABLE FEDERAL, STATE, OR LOCAL REGULATIONS: The permittee is not released from any rules, regulations, requirements, or standards of any applicable federal, state, or local agencies; including, but not limited to, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Board of Water and Soil Resources, MN Pollution Control Agency, watershed districts, water management organizations, county, city and township zoning.

NOT ASSIGNABLE: This permit is not assignable by the permittee except with the written consent of the Commissioner of Natural Resources.

NO CHANGES: The permittee shall make no changes, without written permission or amendment previously obtained from the Commissioner of Natural Resources, in the dimensions, capacity or location of any items of work authorized hereunder.

CONDITIONS (Continued from previous page)

SITE ACCESS: The permittee shall grant access to the site at all reasonable times during and after construction to authorized representatives of the Commissioner of Natural Resources for inspection of the work authorized hereunder.

TERMINATION: This permit may be terminated by the Commissioner of Natural Resources at any time deemed necessary for the conservation of water resources of the state, or in the interest of public health and welfare, or for violation of any of the conditions or applicable laws, unless otherwise provided in the permit.

COMPLETION DATE: Construction work authorized under this permit shall be completed on or before the date specified above. The permittee may request an extension of the time to complete the project by submitting a written request, stating the reason thereof, to the Commissioner of Natural Resources.

WRITTEN CONSENT: In all cases where the permittee by performing the work authorized by this permit shall involve the taking, using, or damaging of any property rights or interests of any other person or persons, or of any publicly owned lands or improvements thereon or interests therein, the permittee, before proceeding, shall obtain the written consent of all persons, agencies, or authorities concerned, and shall acquire all property, rights, and interests needed for the work.

PERMISSIVE ONLY / NO LIABILITY: This permit is permissive only. No liability shall be imposed by the State of Minnesota or any of its officers, agents or employees, officially or personally, on account of the granting hereof or on account of any damage to any person or property resulting from any act or omission of the permittee or any of its agents, employees, or contractors. This permit shall not be construed as estopping or limiting any legal claims or right of action of any person other than the state against the permittee, its agents, employees, or contractors, for any damage or injury resulting from any such act or omission, or as estopping or limiting any legal claim or right of action of the state against the permittee, its agents, employees, or contractors for violation of or failure to comply with the permit or applicable conditions.

EXTENSION OF PUBLIC WATERS: Any extension of the surface of public waters from work authorized by this permit shall become public waters and left open and unobstructed for use by the public.

WETLAND CONSERVATION ACT: Where the work authorized by this permit involves the draining or filling of wetlands not subject to DNR regulations, the permittee shall not initiate any work under this permit until the permittee has obtained official approval from the responsible local government unit as required by the Minnesota Wetland Conservation Act.

CONTRACTOR RESPONSIBILITY: The permittee shall ensure the contractor has received and thoroughly understands all conditions of this permit. Contractors must obtain a signed statement from the property owner stating that permits required for work have been obtained or that a permit is not required, and mail a copy of the statement to the regional DNR Enforcement office where the proposed work is located. The Landowner Statement and Contractor Responsibility Form can be found at: http://www.bwsr.state.mn.us/wetlands/wca/index.html#general.

INVASIVE SPECIES - EQUIPMENT DECONTAMINATION: All equipment intended for use at a project site must be free of prohibited invasive species and aquatic plants prior to being transported into or within the state and placed into state waters. All equipment used in designated infested waters, shall be inspected by the Permittee or their authorized agent and adequately decontaminated prior to being transported from the worksite. The DNR is available to train inspectors and/or assist in these inspections. For more information refer to the "Best Practices for Preventing the Spread of Aquatic Invasive Species" at http://files.dnr.state.mn.us/publications/ewr/invasives/ais/best_practices_for_prevention_ais.pdf. Contact your regional Invasive Species Specialist for assistance at www.mndnr.gov/invasives/contacts.html. A list of designated infested waters is available at http://files.dnr.state.mn.us/eco/invasives/infested_waters.pdf. A list of prohibited invasive species is available at www.mndnr.gov/eco/invasives/laws.html#prohibited.

EROSION AND SEDIMENT CONTROL: In all cases, methods that have been determined to be the most effective and practical means of preventing or reducing sediment from leaving the worksite shall be installed in areas that slope to the water and on worksite areas that have the potential for direct discharge due to pumping or draining of areas from within the worksite (e.g., coffer dams, temporary ponds, stormwater inlets). These methods, such as mulches, erosion control blankets, temporary coverings, silt fence, silt curtains or barriers, vegetation preservation, redundant methods, isolation of flow, or other engineering practices, shall be installed concurrently or within 24 hours after the start of the project, and will be maintained for the duration of the project in order to prevent sediment from leaving the worksite. DNR requirements may be waived in writing by the authorized DNR staff based on site conditions, expected weather conditions, or project completion timelines.

FISHERY PROTECTION - EXCLUSION DATES: No activity affecting the bed of the protected water may be conducted between March 15 and June 30, to minimize impacts on fish spawning and migration. If work during this time is essential,

CONDITIONS (Continued from previous page)

it shall be done only upon written approval of the Area Fisheries Manager. See contact list at: http://files.dnr.state.mn.us/fisheries/management/dnr_fisheries_managers.pdf. Should work begin elsewhere in the project area within these dates, all exposed soils that are within 200 feet of Public Waters and drain to those waters must complete erosion control measures within 24 hours of its disturbance to prevent sediment from entering Public Waters.

MAINTENANCE: Maintenance of this project to originally authorized conditions may be authorized by amendment to this permit.

MONITORING: The filled area shall be monitored for invasive species for a period of 5 years while the native vegetation is established. Planted area shall be monitored for species survival and replanted as necessary to maintain a robust planting.

FLOATING SILT CURTAIN: A floating silt curtain shall be placed in Goose Lake and maintained until the berm is stabilized with appropriate native vegetation.

cc: Scott Arntzen, Conservation Officers, Forest Lake Jed Chesnut, SWCD Brooke Haworth, DNR Regional Environmental Assessment Ecologist, Region 3 Tim Marion, DNR Wildlife, North Metro TJ DeBates, DNR Fisheries, East Metro Area Michael Welling, County, Washington John Hanson, Watershed District, VALLEY BRANCH WD Tom Hingsberger, Corps of Engineers, Washington Jay Riggs, SWCD, Washington Conservation District Dean Zuleger, City, Lake Elmo

MINUTES

City of Lake Elmo Park Commission Monday, July 21, 2014

Members Present: Hartley, Nelson, Ames, Weis, Zeno, Silvernale, Hietpas (6:34 pm)

Members Absent: Steele, Frick

Others Present: Planning Commissioner Larson, Taxpayer Relations & Communications Coordinator MacLeod, PWS Bouthilet, Park Maintainer Colemer, Councilmember Reeves, City Administrator Zuleger,

Planning Intern Catherine Riley

The meeting was called to order by Chair Weis at 6:30 PM.

Approval of Agenda

Ames asked to add an item after VI.c - Sunfish Lake Park task force to discuss maintenance and entrance issues in park areas 2 & 3.

M/S/P: Hartley/Ames: Approved as amended 6-0

Approval of June 16, 2014 Minutes

Ames asked to change the word "toilet" to "toilets" on page three under item b.

M/S/P: Ames/Hartley: Approved as amended 6-0

Presentations

a. 2014 Trail Audit - Riley

Riley presented a trail audit packet that she has worked on. The plan discussed benefits of trails in a community, and emphasized the importance that the city trail system tie into regional trail systems. The audit was conducted on existing and future trails and detailed quality and material of the trails, rated on the PASER system.

Ames stated that he thought Riley did a great job, and felt it was a helpful update and provides insight that hadn't been addressed before. Ames asked if it would be appropriate to consider the trail system within the park reserve. Riley responded that there would likely be a lot of red tape to navigate around, but thought that it would be worth opening up that discussion. Ames referenced the existing trail system and felt that it was not an actual system, but more a series of groupings. He expressed that they need to be mindful going forward to make sure that they trails are connecting. Ames suggested that incoming developers are told up front about the philosophy to connect trails outside for each neighborhood.

Zuleger commented that the new 5th Street plan would include a connecting trail and felt that the key was to continue to work on the Lake Elmo Regional trail system.

Ames thought it might be worth approaching HOAs to see if they would like the City to take over maintenance of their private trails, as there is a high cost to maintain them. Riley responded that the planning department has approached HOAs about trail ownership and have received a mixed response, some negative. Zuleger stated that if the city were to take over maintenance on the trails, it is assumed that they would become public trails, and some HOAs are against that; would like to keep their trails private

Zeno added that he didn't think acquisition of HOA trails needed to be an all or nothing thing. That some of the HOA trails wouldn't necessarily contribute to the regional trail plan. Zeno also commented that if HOAs refused to make their trails public he advises that the City would build the trail system around those neighborhoods.

a. Park Sign Update (MacLeod)

MacLeod shared that two signs were finished (Reid and Pebble) and picked up earlier that day. The rest of the signs are anticipated to be completed by the first week of August, with Sunfish Lake Park being the next in line for completion. An amenity panel for one of the signs was in the council chambers for the commission to view.

b. LERT Update (Weis)

Weis stated that city planner Johnson has continued to talk to Washington County and that they are working on the west side access plan. Zuleger added that the LERT is currently on hold but the city has been talking with the county about being incorporated into the master plan to be considered by the Met Council. Zuleger added that Met Council Park and Open Space Chair, former Mayor Johnston, recently dropped off a copy of the master plan, which has been serving as a guide for next steps.

Hietpas referenced the search corridor and stated that the LERT was not currently part of that plan. She commented that regionally, there are a lot of trails going on in other areas, but hardly anything in Washington County and she would like to see more priority placed on Lake Elmo trails at a county level. Weis commented on other communities coming forward and that trail plan requests are becoming more prevalent in the county.

Ames asked what the next steps are. Zuleger responded that the city has been requesting that the search corridor be included as a key corridor in the county's trail plan between Oakdale and Stillwater, connecting to a regional park. The City is continuing to have conversations with the county about the best way to access the Lake Elmo Park Reserve. Weis has offered to present the LERT presentation to the County to keep the ball rolling. He emphasized that it is important to get included in the plan because it will open up a lot of funding opportunities.

c. Hammes Park Space (Zuleger)

Zuleger stated that there was an item not on the agenda that needed to be addressed: The Hammes subdivision park space. To recap, Zuleger shared that per previous discussion and in response to the commission's request, the Hammes developers had placed the park in the northwest corner of the development near Keats Avenue and Goose Lake. The proposed park space includes a fishing pier, shelter, grill, parking lot and is also where the lift station is located. Currently the plan does not include a play structure, which was initially requested by the park commission as a condition of approval. The Hammes developers are seeking input from the commission as to what type of play structure to include, and if they could receive credit for parkland dedication if the structure was included. Zuleger continued to point out additional green/meeting spaces within the development and the 100' buffer perimeter per the comp plan (including a trail).

Ames thought he remembered a small park internally in the neighborhood that would have a play structure. He is not sure that a play structure near a 55 mph roadway is a good place for a play structure. Ames also questioned where neighborhood children would play, as lot sizes looked small to consider private play sets.

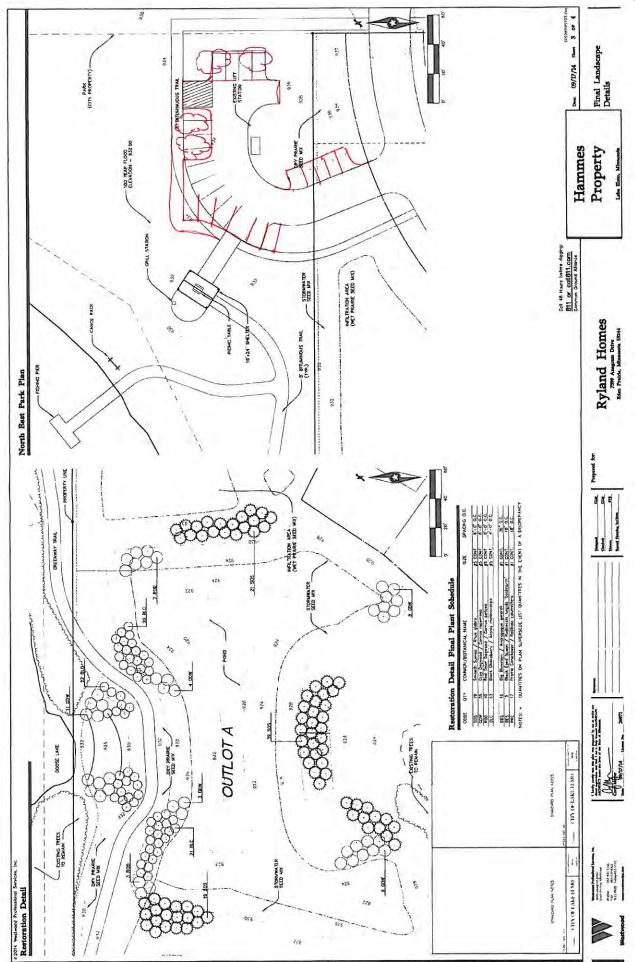
Zuleger pointed out that the Lake Elmo Park Reserve was located a mile north of the development, with a phenomenal play set. Ames stated that he didn't feel current playgrounds were within reasonable walking distance for residents. Hietpas shared that she didn't feel that the green spaces included throughout the development were large enough for community meeting spaces.

Zuleger pointed out the location of neighboring parks in Stonegate and Lennar neighborhoods.

The commission requested that a location central in the neighborhood be considered for play structure placement. Zuleger said that he would forward their comments to the developers.

Meeting adjourned at 9:54 PM

Respectfully Submitted, Alyssa MacLeod, Recording Secretary



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Element Materials Technology 662 Cromwell Avenue St Paul, MN 55114-1720 USA P 651 645 3601 F 651 659 7348 T 888 786 7555 info.stpaul@element.com element.com

Hammes Estates Development Located West Of Keats Avenue North Lake Elmo, Minnesota 55042 Element Materials Technology St. Paul Inc. Project No. ESP015780P

FIELD OBSERVATION

On 5/6/14 approximately 90 yds³ of soil was excavated below a former wash conveyor line located at Latitude = 44° 57.501′, Longitude = -90° 54.348′, Elevation 938′. The recent discovery of petroleum impacted soil was promptly reported to the Minnesota Duty Officer under Duty Officer report #141426. Consistent with the standards and practices set forth by the MPCA, the soil was excavated then placed under and atop non-permeable polypropylene sheeting pending offsite landfill approval. Additional soil was then incorporated from another recent onsite contractor diesel fuel spill located at UTM coordinates 507425.87 meters easting, 4978168.15 meters northing. Both of these removal excavations were administered under the direction of an environmental professional using a Photoionization Detector (PID) to screen the soils. Whereas the areas were excavated until the native soil background levels in the base & sidewalls were free of any detectible PID levels. These recent spill episodes were excavated from the site in a timely manner such that no measureable levels of contamination remain onsite under and around these spill areas. Confirmation lab work of the stockpiled soil was then collected prior to the permitting of said soil for proper offsite disposal. On 8/6/14 & 8/7/14, 161 yds³ of petroleum soil was transported to the SKB landfill in Rosemount, MN for proper disposal.

CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

The recent onsite cleanup measures were successful in the **complete excavation** of petroleum impacted soils. In-so-far as the base and sidewalls under the "knee deep" excavations exhibited no detectible levels of petroleum vapors.

The earthwork contractor was hereby advised to fuel their equipment over areas equipped with a non-permeable poly "spill shield" or similar containment as to eliminate the risk of adverse environmental impacts to the soils. Our frequent onsite inspections have not seen any repeated spillages at the site.

At the time of this field observation, no additional investigation or cleanup measures have been required in association with this recent reported spill. Since both of the "post excavation" base and sidewall test samples were below the 10 parts per million PID values set forth by MPCA guidance 3-01, no additional investigation or cleanup measures is anticipated or required.

STANDARD OF CARE

Services performed for this project have been conducted in a manner consistent with the level of care and skill ordinarily exercised by members of the profession currently practicing in this area under similar budget and time constraints. No warranties, expressed or implied, are made. The material contained in this report is to be considered confidential. Distribution, sale or publication of this report or any part thereof without the expressed written consent of Element Materials Technology St. Paul, Inc. is prohibited. Additional copies of this report and their associated reliance letters may be obtained by contacting Element Materials Technology St. Paul Inc.

ELEMENT MATERIALS TECHNOLOGY ST. PAUL INC.

Report Prepared By:

Mike Malinowski, CES

Certified Environmental Specialist

MALT

A/QC Reviewed by

Mark Straight, PE

Senior Project Engineer MN Reg. No. 41658

Attachments: Spill Location Diagram; Proof of Disposal/ Landfill Manifests; Site Photographs & Coordinates and Stockpile Labwork

KEATS AVENUE

