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Meeting: <u>Planning Board</u>

Date: November 22, 2021

Time:

7:00 PM

Location:

Memorial Hall, 3rd Floor, City Hall, 140 Main Street, Marlborough, MA 01752

This meeting of the Planning Board will be held in Memorial Hall on Monday, November 22, 2021 at 7:00 PM.

PUBLIC ATTENDANCE IS PERMITED.

Agenda Items to be Addressed:

- 1. Draft Meeting Minutes
 - A. November 8, 2021
- 2. Chair's Business (None)
- 3. Approval Not Required (None)
- 4. Public Hearings (None)
- 5. Subdivision Progress Reports
 - A. Goodale Estates ongoing discussion
 Correspondence from Kevin Gillis, Managing Director, Northborough Capital Partners, LLC
 - B. Commonwealth Heights Subdivision ongoing discussion no discussion required at this meeting
- 6. Preliminary/Open Space/Limited Development Subdivision (None)
- 7. Definitive Subdivision Submissions
 - A. 342 Sudbury Street, Marlborough, MA 01752 Definitive Subdivision Plan ongoing discussion

Owner of Land:

The 342 Sudbury Street Trust

Name of Engineer:

Robert Parente

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Correspondence from John Garside, Board of Health

Correspondence from abutter Christie Herlihy-Starr & William Starr of 98 Prendiville Way

Correspondence from Engineering

- 8. Signs (None)
- 9. Correspondence (None)
- 10. Unfinished Business (None)
- 11. Calendar Updates (None)
- 12. Public Notices of other Cities & Towns (None)

THE LISTING OF TOPICS THAT THE CHAIR REASONABLY ANTICIPATES WILL BE DISCUSSED AT THE MEETING IS NOT INTENDED AS A GUARANTEE OF THE TOPICS THAT WILL HAVE BEEN DISCUSSED. NOT ALL TOPICS LISTED MAY IN FACT BE DISCUSSED, AND OTHER TOPICS NOT LISTED MAY ALSO BE BROUGHT UP FOR DISCUSSION TO THE EXTENT PERMITTED BY LAW.

Call to Order November 8, 2021

The Meeting of the Marlborough Planning Board was called to order at 7:00 pm in Memorial Hall, 3rd Floor City Hall, 140 Main Street, Marlborough, MA. Members present: Barbara Fenby, Sean Fay, Phil Hodge, George LaVenture, Chris Russ, and William Fowler. Meeting support provided by City Engineer, Thomas DiPersio.

1. Draft Meeting Minutes

A. October 18, 2021

On a motion by Mr. Russ, seconded by Mr. Mr. LaVenture, the Board voted to accept and file with minor typo corrections, the October 18, 2021 meeting minutes. Yea: Fay, Fowler, Hodge, LaVenture, Russ, and Fenby. Nay: 0. Motion carried.

2. Chair's Business

A. Marlborough Planning Board Subdivision Rules and Regulations - ongoing discussion

Mr. LaVenture updated the Board on discussions he had with City Solicitor Jason Grossfield. Mr. Grossfield indicated there is no required time frame between the approval of the Regulations and the filing, and the Subdivision Rules and Regulations go into effect on September 13, 2021 (the date the Board voted to approve and adopt them). The Planning Board Administrator indicated the Subdivision Rules and Regulations were filed and sent to the Registry of Deeds on November 8, 2021.

3. Approval Not Required (None)

4. Public Hearings

A. City Council: Order #21-1008274C, Proposed Zoning Amendment to Chapter 650 to amend Section 61 Temporary Moratorium for Multi-Family Housing Projects

Chairperson Fenby opened the hearing. Mr. LaVenture read the public hearing legal notice into the record. Chairperson Fenby provided instructions to those in attendance. The hearing was conducted in the following stages: 1) Presentation 2) Those speaking in favor 3) Those speaking in opposition 4) Comments and questions from the Board members.

Presentation:

Mayor Arthur Vigeant explained he is asking for this extension on the moratorium because the City is still waiting to get guidelines from the Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) for their new housing proposal. DHCD is in the process of setting the ground rules. Mayor Vigeant explained he is hoping to have the guidelines by the end of calendar year and doesn't anticipate coming to the Planning Board again for an extension.

Speaking in Favor of the Amendment:

(No one spoke in favor)

Dr. Fenby closed this portion of the Public Hearing.

Speaking in Opposition to the Amendment:

City Councilor Michael Ossing, 43 Varley Road, Marlborough, MA 01752 spoke in opposition.

Mr. Ossing, provided a timeline of the history of this morartoirum:

- April The Mayor provided the letter asking for the 90-day moratorium.
- June The Planning Board endorsed the 90-day moratorium.
- July The City Council endorsed the 90-day moratorium, and it was extended to October.

- October 4th The Mayor provided a letter asking to extend the moratorium to the end of year.
- November 8th Today, five weeks later we still don't have the guidelines from the state.

Mr. Ossing explained there is not adequate time for a multi-family housing project to come to the City Council, hold a public hearing, send it to committee and decide within the three City Council meetings left this year. Based on timing, the ability of the City Council to do its job, and the uncertainly of when this guidance will become available, he encouraged the Planning Board to provide a negative recommendation on the extension. However, if the Board wishes to send a favorable recommendation, he asked the Board to recommend excluding the proposed project at the Campus. The Campus submitted their application in September with anticipation the housing moratorium would end in October. It's now in Urban Affairs for review.

City Councilor Kathleen Robey, 97 Hudson Street, Marlborough, MA 01752 spoke in opposition. Mrs. Robey backed and supported all the points Mr. Ossing addressed.

Dr. Fenby closed this portion of the Public Hearing.

Questions and Comments from the Planning Board:

Mr. Fay asked the Mayor respond to Mr. Ossing. Mayor Vigeant explained if there is not adequate time for a multifamily housing project to come into to the City before the end of the year as Mr. Ossing argued then why not approve the moratorium. He did not favor having one complex carved out of the moratorium. Mr. Vigeant reminded the board that single family homes are not included in the moratorium.

Mr. Fay asked the Mayor, is the State asking the City to extend the moratorium? Mayor Vigeant said no.

Mr. Fowler asked Mr. Ossing, is the Campus project the only project that is currently filed with the City? Mr. Ossing said yes.

Mr. LaVenture asked Mr. Ossing, what are the ramifications for the Campus project if a complete moratorium was approved? Mr. Ossing explained, he is not sure of the impact it would cause if they were to have to wait until January for submittal.

Mr. Russ asked Mr. Ossing, is the Campus project currently submitted and being reviewed? Mr. Ossing said no. Mr. Russ asked, at the next meetings can you still review and discuss the project, just not approve it? Mr. Ossing said no, the way the language is in the housing moratorium, there is no submittal of site plan documents to the City.

Mr. Fay asked, what would the timeline be if the Campus were to submit at the next meeting? Mr. Ossing explained it is hard to determine without input from the City Council. The Council still needs to approve the master plan and the development agreement, which the council is reviewing at tomorrow's Urban Affairs meeting.

Dr. Fenby closed the public hearing.

B. 342 Sudbury Street, Marlborough, MA 01752 - Definitive Subdivision Plan

Owner of Land: The 342 Sudbury Street Trust

Name of Engineer: Robert Parente

Deeds Book: 77825 Page: 110

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Presentation:

Neal Vigeant (342 Sudbury Street, Marlborough, MA 01752) explained he purchased the 342 Sudbury Street property earlier this year with intentions of making it a rental property and using the land behind it for his family farm operations, for sawmilling, harvesting the soil and a family gathering location. Mr. Vigeant explained, after renovating the property he realized that use would be a nuisance to the surrounding area. His proposed subdivision would create an additional lot. He is asking the Planning Board for waivers to prevent the construction of a public way for the one house. The waivers would allow the entrance to this house appear more of a driveway than a road. The proposed subdivision includes a large buffer zone equal to about an acre of land, which will be recorded in the deed. This buffer zone recorded in the deed would be permanent and would remain unchanged even if the property were to be sold in the future.

Robert Parent went over the submitted plans. The plans display:

- 18-foot-wide paved area with a hammer-head turn around
 - o Providing the proposed Lot 2 with the required frontage
 - o This paved area would be owned by the owner of Lot 2 as it would remain private
- New sewer, water, and underground electrical lines
- The proposed Lot 1 with the existing house 1.006 acres
- The proposed Lot 2 2.0127 acres
- An estimated 3,000 sqft footprint for the new house
 - o 60 ft off the layout of the cul-de-sac
 - 120 ft off the stone wall on the Carisbrooke houses
- List of waivers:
 - Reduce road layout width to 40'
 - Reduce pavement width to 18'
 - No sidewalks
 - No curbing
 - To construct the road in accordance with the cross section shown on the profile sheet

Mr. LaVenture read the correspondence dated November 1, 2021, from the City Engineer Thomas DiPersio, Engineering Department into the record.

Mr. LaVenture read the correspondence dated October 8, 2021, from Assistant Chief Jeffrey Gogan, Marlborough Fire Department into the record.

Mr. LaVenture read the correspondence dated November 8, 2021, from Priscilla Ryder, Conservation into the record. See the attached letter.

Speaking in Favor of the Amendment:

Paul Ditullio, 86 Boivin Drive, Marlborough, MA 01752 spoke in favor.

Mr. Ditullio explained I think for one house a road is not necessary, the driveway they're asking for would be sufficient. Roads require a lot of maintenance and letting the owner deal with the maintenance for this road would be the best option.

Fred Brewitt, 299 Sudbury Street, Marlborough, MA 01752 spoke in favor.

Mr. Brewitt asked, is there was a maximum length a driveway can be? Mr. DiPersio said no. Mr. Brewitt asked, is there a required set back from the stone wall on the property line, Mr. DiPersio explained there is a 5-foot set back requirement from the property line.

Joe Verri, 128 Prendiville Way, Marlborough, MA 01752 spoke in favor.

Mr. Verri explained he is a direct abutter and the buffer zone would maintain the natural beauty of his backyard.

Mr. Verri expressed his support for the proposed driveway concept in lieu of a full roadway construction.

Dr. Fenby closed this portion of the Public Hearing.

Speaking in Opposition to the Amendment:

John Brackett, 45 Harper Circle, Marlborough, MA 01752 spoke in opposition.

Mr. Brackett read the letter he submitted into the record. See agenda packet for complete letter.

Rocco Collura, 368 Sudbury Street, Marlborough, MA 01752 spoke in opposition.

Mr. Collura explained he is not an immediate abutter and supported all the key points in Mr. Brackett's letter.

Mr. Collura's biggest concern is what could happen to the neighborhood down the road.

Michelle Feddersohn, 356 Sudbury Street, Marlborough, MA 01752 spoke during the opposition portion of the public hearing and explained she is not in total opposition of the proposed subdivision and addressed concerns on the buffer zone along her property and spoke against the concept of a full roadway construction.

Mr. Vigeant addressed her concerns, explaining he meet with owners of 356 Sudbury Street and proposed putting back in a buffer zone and selling them about 21,000 sq ft of their grass for \$5.00. So they would own it and be able to keep their yard intact. He offered to put back as much of the natural buffer as possible to try to address their concerns.

Gregory Garson, 36 Harper Circle, Marlborough, MA 01752 spoke in opposition. See the attached letter.

David Moores, 356 Sudbury Street, Marlborough, MA 01752 spoke during the opposition portion of the public hearing and explained he is not opposed to the subdivision but is opposed to a full roadway construction.

Rose Marie Boniface, 24 Harper Circle, Marlborough, MA 01752 spoke in opposition. See the attached letter.

Steve Warren, 49 Harper Circle, Marlborough, MA 01752 spoke in opposition.

Mr. Warren discussed concerns for the brook, the wildlife, and the water/flooding issue within the area.

Lisa Nilan, 368 Sudbury Street, Marlborough, MA 01752 spoke in opposition.

Mrs. Nilan addressed concerns about setting a precedent, potential wind issues because of trees being taken down, flooding and blasting with in the neighborhood.

Dr. Fenby closed this portion of the Public Hearing.

Dr. Fenby addressed questions that have been raised by the public.

- Water flow will be monitored by the Engineering Department, regularly and as part of the City's responsibly as developments occur.
- The brook is monitored by Conservation.
- The issue with the subdivision setting a precedent is something the Planning Board has already reviewed.

Questions and Comments from the Planning Board:

Mr. Russ and Mr. Fay addressed concerns on the lack of details on the list of waivers, specifically number 5 and the potential need for curbing or berms to get the water flow to the catch basins.

Mr. Russ explained the plans need more details. The cross section doesn't show underground power or communication and the driveway is undefined, other than "18-feet-wide". There are no dimensions on the hammer-head turn around, which the Fire Department needs to know in order to determine if the their trucks can turn around. Mr. Russ asked if there could be a 20-foot buffer zone on each side between the two properties. Mr. Parente explained there is a recharge area on one lot but there could be a buffer zone on the other. Mr. Russ also explained any tree over 12 inches in diameter needs to be labeled on the plans, as staying, or going and there should be drawings showing trees in the buffer zone as discussed with the 356 Sudbury neighbors.

Mr. Russ asked if the driveway can be considered the legal frontage if it is owned by the property owner. Mr. DiPersio explained if the Planning Board approves it as a "way" it can be used as legal frontage even if it is private.

Mr. Russ addressed concerns on the 3,000 sqft home not fitting in with the character of the neighborhood and asked if home sizes in the area could be provided.

Mr. Vigeant offered a site visit to address concerns.

Mr. Fowler expressed his concerns on the water flow issues, the driveway being a private way and asked if the house could be place in a spot to cause the least amount of removal of trees.

Mr. Vigeant explained the proposed house is a significant distance uphill from this brook. The re-charge basins will prevent the water from the 342 property to make it to the brook.

Mr. Fay addressed the concerns on the buffer zone from the brook really being a "no disturb" zone.

The Board had a discussion on the new rules and regulations and that the 342 Sudbury Street Definitive Plan should be held to the new standards, as the new Subdivision Rules and Regulations were approved on September 31, 2021.

Dr. Fenby closed the public hearing.

5. Subdivision Progress Reports

A. Commonwealth Heights Subdivision – ongoing discussion

Dr. Fenby informed the Board Scott Weiss would attend the December 6, 2021 Planning Board meeting.

On a motion by Mr. LaVenture, seconded by Mr. Russ the board voted to accept and file the correspondence. Yea: Fay, Fowler, Hodge, LaVenture, Russ, and Fenby. Nay: 0. Motion carried.

B. Goodale Estates – ongoing discussion

Mr. LaVenture read the correspondence from the City Engineer Thomas DiPersio, Engineering Department into the record.

On a motion by Mr. LaVenture, seconded by Mr. Russ the board voted to accept and file the correspondence. Yea: Fay, Fowler, Hodge, LaVenture, Russ, and Fenby. Nay: 0. Motion carried.

Mr. DiPersio informed the Board Kevin Gillis would have the requested information for the November 22, 2021 meeting.

- 6. Preliminary/Open Space/Limited Development Subdivision (None)
- 7. Definitive Subdivision Submissions (None)
- 8. Signs (None)
- 9. Correspondence (None)
- 10. Unfinished Business (None)
- 11. Calendar Updates (None)

12. Public Notices of other Cities & Towns

A. Misc. surrounding Cities/Towns Planning Board - Notices of Public Hearings

On a motion by Mr. Russ, seconded by Mr. LaVenture the board voted to accept and file the correspondence under 12. Yea: Fay, Fowler, Hodge, LaVenture, Russ, and Fenby. Nay: 0. Motion carried.

4. Public Hearings (Continued)

A. City Council: Order #21-1008274C, Proposed Zoning Amendment to Chapter 650 to amend Section 61 Temporary Moratorium for Multi-Family Housing Projects

On a motion by Mr. Fay, seconded by Mr. LaVenture, the Board voted to send a favorable recommendation to the City Council on the proposed order 21-1008414 to extend the Temporary Moratorium for Multi-Family Housing Projects through to December 31, 2021.

If the City Council sees fit to approve the Zoning Amendment, the Planning Board suggests the following:

- Request that the Mayor notify the Planning Board and City Council as soon as possible if Mayor anticipates the need for additional extensions of the moratorium;
- Exclude the Campus development that was previously reviewed by the Planning Board in connection with a recommendation for a zoning change; said exclusion to be limited for review purposes only, not approval.

Yea: Fay, Fowler, Hodge, LaVenture, Russ, and Fenby. Nay: 0 Motion carried 6-0.

On a motion by Mr. Fowler, seconded by Mr. Russ, the Board voted to adjourn the meeting. Yea: Fay, Fowler, Hodge, LaVenture, Russ, and Fenby. Nay: 0. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

/kmm

George LaVenture/Clerk



City of Marlborough Conservation Commission

140 Main Street Marlborough, Massachusetts 01752 Tel. (508) 460-3768 Facsimile (508) 460-3747

Memorandum

To:

Barbara Fenby, Chairwomen

Planning Board

From: Priscilla Ryder, Conservation/Sustainability Officer

Date: November 8, 2021

RE:

342 Sudbury St., Definitive Subdivision Plan

The Conservation Commission is in receipt of and reviewed, at its November 4, 2021 meeting,

the following plan:

Definitive Subdivision Plan in Marlborough, MA

Location: 342 Sudbury St. Owner: 342 Sudbury St. Trust Dated: October 15, 2021

Prepared by Robert Parente, P.E.

Sheets: 1-3

The Commission provides the following comments:

1. Please confirm that any work relative to this project is outside the 100' buffer zone and 200' riverfront area to the adjacent stream which is between this lot and Harper Circle. Based on the GIS map it doesn't appear that there are any wetlands on this lot, just buffer zone. These should be shown on the final plans

- 2. The plans show a 60' area referenced as "Natural Buffer". The Commission agrees that this is a good way to limit impact to adjacent properties. Can this Natural buffer area be well defined on the plan as to what is intended? i.e., no clearing, except for dead or dying trees, keep the undergrowth intact, no building, no sheds, no storage - etc. Other buffers in the past have not been clearly defined and enforcement has been difficult. Clearly defining the intent of this natural buffer and adding it to the plan will make this task easier in the future.
- 3. Please ensure that erosion controls are shown on the plan to prevent mud from tracking or flowing into Sudbury St. or onto the adjacent down hill properties. The adjacent stream flows into the Desert Natural area which contains one of our few native trout brooks in this region so all efforts to keep it clean is required.

If you have any questions on the above, please let me know.

Cc:

Tom DiPersio, City Engineer

Tin Htway, Building Commissioner

Ed Clancy, Conservation Commission Chairman

TO: Members of the City of Marlborough Planning Board

DATE: November 6th, 2021

FROM: Gregory Garson & Allison Crouse (36 Harper Cir, Marlborough, MA 01752)

RE: Proposed sub-division plan for land located at 342 Sudbury Street, Marlborough, MA 01752

Dear Planning Board Members,

We are writing to you **in opposition** to the proposed sub-division and development of the land located at 342 Sudbury Street in Marlborough. This land directly abuts our property and the proposed development with be in direct view behind our house in direct opposition to the primary reason we selected this home / location in the first place – the secluded, wooded location surrounded by trees providing a natural barrier and delineation between properties in our neighborhood and adjacent neighborhoods.

Furthermore, we believe that the proposed development will have the following impacts on our neighborhood and our property directly, detailing further why we are opposed to the sub-division and subsequent development plans:

- Our property and that of the surrounding neighbors who have abutting properties to the one located at 342 Sudbury Street contains protected wetlands that encompass the vast majority of the back portion of our properties
- Traversing these wetlands is an active stream with wildlife that requires protection
- The active stream is a tributary to a larger body of water which is a protected trout stream, again, with wildlife that requires protection
- The proposed development would cause irreparable damage to this fragile wetlands
 eco-system and the downstream eco-systems that are fed and supported by our stream
 an eco-system that a lot of wildlife have come to depend upon (e.g. turkeys, deer,
 coyotes, fisher cats, squirrels, chipmunks, rabbits, owls, hawks and many, many more) –
 there has not been a proper environmental impact assessment for this proposal
- Given the elevation of the proposed development which is located on a rise above the
 wetlands and stream traversing these wetlands the waterflow would be severely
 impacted by the removal of trees, the disturbing of the land structures and the
 development of new buildings (and supporting infrastructure) on land above the
 wetlands
- Irrespective of the damage to the wetlands (which is a certainty), the location of the
 proposed development would necessitate the removal of most if not all of the old
 growth timber in the wooded areas, which would alter the canopy of the wooded area
 and change the structure of the vegetation in this natural buffer zone these trees
 could not be moved or replaced
- The removal of this old growth timber would also have two additional (and significant) impacts to our property:

- 1. The winds that come through the area sometime quite severely would have no natural buffers to prevent them from slamming into our trees that are closer to our home, significantly raising the risk of a catastrophic collapse of a 'killer tree' (one that is large enough to take out any of the homes it is near, and potentially killing us as occupants) we have seen this happen with the removal of a large area of trees by one of the neighbors on Harper Cir, causing us to have to spend significant amounts of money on tree removal
- 2. The water that flows from the elevated portion of our property, the portion that abuts the proposed sub-division and development, is contained by the trees and foliage that are in the wooded zone. The removal of these trees and foliage will cause significant amounts of water to flow down to and beyond the creek / stream that traverses the property and raises the flood risk on our property. Again, we have seen evidence of this occurring as a direct result of the removal of trees and foliage between 10 Harper Cir & 24 Harper Cir, causing significant flooding onto the land at 24 Harper Cir.
- Given the lack of proper infrastructure in place to support the new sub-division and subsequent development, and the fact that we went thru a recent 2+ year 'intrusion' to put in sewers in our development, this new home would not comply with the required infrastructure and could tax our newly implemented infrastructure unduly
- The final point I will make is around the impact of our ability to enjoy our property free from intrusion and interference from on-lookers we purchased our property because of the natural seclusion that it came with. This seclusion also came with a 'buffer zone' in the back the area that abuts the proposed sub-division and development of a wetlands area that we were told could not be developed. The proposed development would place a home in open view of our backyard, in direct opposition to the natural seclusion we sought and paid for more than 15 years ago and that our neighbors equally sought out and paid for when they purchase homes in this neighborhood.

In conclusion, we are opposed to the sub-division and development because of the environmental impacts it will cause, the intrusion on our right to enjoy our property without interference from our neighbors, and the unnecessary need for another home, without proper infrastructure, to be added to this area.

Thank you for allowing us to provide input into your decision-making and we hope you will vote to decline the request.

Sincerely,
Gregory Garson & Allison Crouse
36 Harper Cir, Marlborough, MA 01752
gig@zz48.com
781-267-1498

24 Harper Circle Marlborough, MA 01752 November 8, 2021

RE: Proposed Subdivision 342 Sudbury Street, Marlborough. MA 01752

Dear Planning Board Members:

We purchased our current home at 24 Harper Circle in July 1985 and were the third family to move into the Carisbrooke development in January 1986. From all of the lots that were available, we carefully chose our private wooded lot on a small cul de sac, Harper Circle. We have lived here for almost 37 years and have witnessed many events and changes in our neighborhood during this time.

As a direct abutter, there are many reasons that we oppose the proposed subdivision at 342 Sudbury Street, but we will focus on four primary concerns.

- 1. Water flowage and drainage is of utmost concern to us. Our section of the development is very wet with a high water table and wetland areas. The Carisbrooke developers designed an elaborate flowage and drainage system with underground pipes, culverts, detention ponds, and open brooks. Our backyard contains both a drainage easement and a flowage easement, and an open brook. Our land floods with heavy rains and we have seen times when the brook water has risen so high that it has met our inground pool water. Following any rain, our backyard cannot be mowed for many days because it is too wet. More recently in heavy rains, water is flowing swiftly along the foundation of our home and we are forced to use a pump to divert it from our basement.
- 2. The proposed subdivision lot is on a **significant elevation** above our lot. The construction of the proposed new home, as well as its inherent removal of trees and other vegetation, will inevitably cause **increased runoff of water** onto our property, exacerbating the wet conditions we already have.

- 3. Further, we would suspect that the proposed subdivision lot has ledge that may need to be blasted. Our lot has ledge and we had to blast to put in our inground pool. We are concerned about potential damage to our pool. Four years ago when the City's contractors blasted to install sewerage on our street, the blasting caused a crack in our pool which needed to be repaired.
- 4. Lastly, we are concerned about the **environmental and conservation impacts** of the proposed subdivision. The brook on our property flows into a protected Sudbury Valley Trustees trout stream. Runoff from the proposed construction threatens the brook and stream beyond. Removing decades old trees and other natural vegetation impacts the ecological balance in the area and increases the flood risk on our property.

No matter what buffer zones are created to "appease abutters", the approval of this subdivision will forever change the homes and properties of those of us who purchased and expected to continue to enjoy private, wooded homesites without increased water and drainage problems, preventable environmental impacts, and loss of privacy. We urge you not to approve this subdivision.

Very truly yours,

James G. Boniface)

Rose Marie Boniface

Northborough Capital Partners, LLC

4 Courthouse Lane, Suite 16 Chelmsford, MA 01824 Kevinagillis1@gmail.com 781-771-8519

November 17, 2021

Via email: kmiller@marlborough-ma.gov

Chairperson Barbara L. Fenby Marlborough Planning Board Marlborough Cit Hall 140 main Street Marlborough, MA 01752

RE: Goodale Estates

Dear Madame Chair,

I am requesting to be placed on the agenda for the planning board meeting currently scheduled for 22 November, 2021 for the following purposes;

- 1. We have completed the construction work at the above referenced subdivision in accordance with the requirements in Article V of Chapter 676, the Subdivision Regulations.
- 2. We are requesting a bond reduction to \$69,000, an amount equal to ten (10%) percent of the total cost to complete the subdivision. Attached herewith is an updated spreadsheet evidencing the requested bond amount.

This request is accompanied by:

a. evidence that the real estate taxes are current

b. a bond confirmation

c. a letter from the City's Code Enforcement Officer confirming that the site is free from blight

Sincerely,

Kevin A. Gillis Managing Director

cc: tdipersio@marlborough-ma.gov cityclerk@marlborough-ma.gov

CITY OF MARLBOROUGH, MASSACHUSETTS ESTIMATE FOR BONDING PURPOSES

SUBDIVISION: Goodale Estates		BOND NO.			MassDOT Weighted Bid Prices: INITIAL DATE OF BOND:		DATES 12/01/18		
					INITIAL	QTY.	QTY.	DATE : TOTAL COST	11/05/21 %
ITEM	DESCRIPTION	UNIT	TOTAL QTY.	UNIT	TOTAL COST	LAST EST.	THIS EST.	TO DATE	COMPLETE
11 E IVI	Earth Work		0	\$0.00	\$0.00	0			100.00%
	Clearing, grubbing Excavation	AC.	0	\$25.00	\$0.00	0		\$0.00	100.00%
	Sub-base	C.Y.	0	\$35.00	\$0.00	0		\$0.00 \$0.00	100.00% 100.00%
	Ledge excavation	C.Y.	0	\$50.00	\$0.00	U		40.00	155.55
	Water	EA.	1	\$7,250.00	\$7,250.00	0	1	\$7,250.00	100.00%
	Hydrants (incl. gate) Gates	EA.	1	\$2,300.00	\$2,300.00	0	1	\$2,300.00	100.00% 100.00%
	3/4-in. Copper service (complete)	L.F.	375	\$100.00 \$1,200.00	\$37,500.00 \$8,400.00	0	275	\$37,500.00 \$8,400.00	
	Corporation and Curb Stop 8-In, CL52 DI main	EA.	7 490	\$1,200.00	\$58,800.00	0	490	\$58,800.00	
	6-In. CL52 DI hydrant branch	L.F.	10	\$90.00	\$900.00	0	10	\$900.00	100.00%
	Sewer						230	\$29,700.00	100.00%
	6 In. Service (stub at property line)	L.F.	330 460	\$90.00 \$100.00	\$29,700.00 \$46,000.00	0	460	\$46,000.00	100.00%
	8-In. PVC main 8-In. CL52 DI main	L.F.	0	\$90.00	\$0.00	0		\$0.00	
	10-In. CL52 DI main	L.F.	0	\$115.00	\$0.00 \$17,550.00	0	3	\$0.00 \$17,550.00	
	Sewer manhole Sewer manhole - 5' inside dia.	EA.	3 0	\$5,850.00 \$5,800.00	\$0.00	0	Š	\$0.00	#DIV/0!
	Force main - 2-ln.	L.F.	ō	\$90.00	\$0.00	0		\$0.00	#DIV/0!
	Drainage							\$21,400.00	100.00%
	Catch basin	EA.	4 2	\$5,350.00 \$5,350.00	\$21,400.00 \$10,700.00	0	4 2	\$10,700.00	100.00%
	Drain manhole Drain manhole - 5' inside dia.	EA.	ō	\$4,800.00	\$0.00		1	\$0.00 \$3,200.00	
	Drop inlet	EA.	1 0	\$3,200.00 \$2,000.00	\$3,200.00 \$0.00		1	\$0.00	
	Gutter inlet Box culvert	EA. L.F.			\$0.00	0		\$0.00	
	8-In. D,I,	L.F.	0		\$0.00		61	\$0.00 \$6,100.00	
	12-In. RCP 12-In. RCP Flared end	L.F. EA.	61		\$6,100.00 \$0.00			\$0.00	#DIV/0!
	15-In. RCP	L.F.	174	\$110.00	\$19,140.00		174 1	\$19,140.00 \$1,200.00	
	15-In. RCP Flared end	EA. L.F.	40	\$1,200.00 \$115.00	\$1,200.00 \$4,600.00		40	\$4,600.00	100.00%
	18-In. RCP 18-In. RCP Flared end	EA.	40		\$0.00	0		\$0.00	
	21-In. RCP	L.F.	0		\$0.00 \$0.00			\$0.00 \$0.00	
	21-In. RCP Flared end 24-In. RCP	EA.			\$0.00			\$0.00	#DIV/0!
	24-In. RCP Flared end	EA.		\$1,500.00	\$0.00			\$0.00 \$0.00	
	30-In. RCP	L.F. EA.			\$0.00 \$0.00			\$0.00	#DIV/0!
	30-In. RCP Flared end 36-In. RCP	L.F.	1		\$0.00	0		\$0.00	
	36-In. RCP Flared end	EA.			\$0.00 \$7,700.00		11	\$0.00 \$7,700.00	
	Headwalls Detention basins	C.Y.	2250		\$90,000.00		2000	\$90,000.00	100.00%
	Water Quality Structure	EA.	(\$4,000.00	\$0.00			\$0.00 \$0.00	
	Outlet Control structure	L.S. C.Y.	110		\$0.00 \$8,250.00	51 61	110	\$8,250.0	100.00%
	Rip-Rap 6-In, Under Drain	L.F.		\$70.00	\$0.00	0		\$0.00 \$0.00	
	12-In. Under Drain Black Vinyl Clad Fence, Post & Gate	L.F.	540		\$0.00 \$32,400.00		0		
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	Roadway/Layout Gravel base	C.Y.	650		\$29,250.00		650 470		
	Bit. Conc. Pavement	Ton L.F	470 950		\$61,100.00 \$57,000.00	0	950	\$57,000.0	100.00%
	Granite curbing Bit. Conc. berm	L.F.	1	\$12.00	\$0.0	0 (c		\$0.0 \$450.0	
	Sidewalk gravel	C.Y.	70				70	\$12,250.0	0 100.00%
	Sidewalk pavement Misc. clean up	L.S.		1 \$10,000.00	\$10,000.0	0		\$10,000.0	0.00%
	Adj. Structures	E.A.		\$350.00			9	\$3,150.0 \$4,800.0	
	Granite (stone) bounds Guardrail	E.A. L.F.		\$600.00 \$35.00	\$0.0	0		\$0.0	0 #DIV/0!
	Roadside trees	E.A.	2	\$500.00	\$14,000.0	0 0	28		
	Street signs w/ breakaway posts	E.A.					1	\$3,000.0	0 100.00%
	Street lighting Elec/Tel/Cable	E.A.	76	\$50.00	\$38,000.0	0 0	760		
	Gas	L.F.	47	5 \$45.00				\$21,375.0 \$2,500.0	
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PARCEL: 0002-0100

LOCATION: JENKS LN

OWNER:

NORTHBOROUGH CAPITAL PARTNERS LLC 56 PINE ST STE 3 PROVIDENCE RI 02903

STATUS:

27,007 3,700 SQUARE FEET
LAND VALUATION
BUILDING VALUATION
EXEMPTIONS

TAXABLE VALUATION INTEREST PER DIEM 3,700 .00

LEGAL DESCRIPTION:

DEED DATE: 03/20/2020 BOOK/PAGE: 74321/452

INTEREST DATE: 11/05/2021

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BOND CONFIRMATION

This will acknowledge that <u>OLD REPUBLIC INSURANCE COMPANY</u>, the Surety, having received and agreed premium to continue in force <u>BOND #5419402</u> on behalf of <u>NORTHBOROUGH CAPITAL PARTNERS</u>, <u>LLC</u> the Principal, and in favor <u>CITY OF MARLBOROUGH</u>, <u>MASSACHUSETTS</u> subject to all its terms and limitations as set forth and expressed in said bond, effective through <u>FEBRUARY</u> <u>04, 2022</u>.

OLD REPUBLIC INSURANCE COMPANY Surety

SKILLINGS SHAW AND ASSOCIATES, INC. Agent

Date: JANUARY 13, 2021

By: Melanie A. Bonnevie, Attorney-In-Fact

Katlyn Miller

From:

John Garside

Sent:

Friday, November 19, 2021 1:59 PM

To:

Katlyn Miller

Cc:

Thomas DiPersio; Priscilla Ryder

Subject:

RE: 342 Sudbury Street

Thanks Katlyn and Tom,

Whereas the BOH's concerns were engineering related, and to a lesser extent conservation (Riverfront Area), I see no objection to the planning board issuing subdivision approval if they deem it appropriate, given both these items are addressed on the revised plans dated 11/15/21.

-John

From: Katlyn Miller kmiller@marlborough-ma.gov Sent: Thursday, November 18, 2021 3:22 PM
To: John Garside kgranger-ma.gov

Cc: Thomas DiPersio <tdipersio@marlborough-ma.gov>

Subject: RE: 342 Sudbury Street

Hi John,

Just in case, I left a line item for your comments/review on the Agenda for the Planning Boards November 22 meeting.

If you need anything else just let me know,

Thanks! Katlyn

From: Thomas DiPersio <tdipersio@marlborough-ma.gov>

Sent: Wednesday, November 17, 2021 10:15 AM
To: John Garside < <u>igarside@marlborough-ma.gov</u>>
Cc: Katlyn Miller < <u>kmiller@marlborough-ma.gov</u>>

Subject: FW: 342 Sudbury Street

Hi John,

Regarding the Planning Board subdivision application for 342 Sudbury Street, I know you were hesitant to provide comments in light of my review letter to the board. I went over my comments with the engineer and he has pretty much addressed everything with the attached revised plans. I don't really see any issues for your board with this project, since connection to the sewer is being proposed. So I think you can provide comment now, but feel free to reach out if you have any questions.

Thanks

Tom

Thomas DiPersio, Jr., PE, PLS

98 Prendiville Way Marlborough, MA 01752 November 3, 2021

Planning Board City of Marlborough 135 Neil Street Marlborough, MA 01752

Dear Planning Board members:

We write to inform you that as abutters of 342 Sudbury Street we approve of the definitive subdivision plan which owner Neil Vigeant has proposed. We have walked the property with him and feel the proposed buffer zone to be written into the deed will help maintain the beautiful woods important to screening and the value of our property.

We approve the granting of the necessary waivers for Neil to build. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Christie Herlihy Starr

William Starr

To: Members of the City of Marlborough Planning Board

Date: November 19, 2021

From: John and Ann Brackett, 45 Harper Circle, Marlborough, MA 01752

Re: 342 Sudbury Street proposed subdivision

We remain adamantly opposed to the subdivision at 342 Sudbury Street which you will consider this evening. Thank you for considering our concerns and for considering the future of our neighborhood and the City of Marlborough.

I presented before you at the public hearing on October 18, 2021. The points made in that appeal remain unchanged so we will not reiterate them in detail here. Specifics related to conservation and wetlands, drainage, road v driveway, marginal and undefined buffer zones are key factors which I hope you will not treat lightly or acquiesce to with an "our hands are tied" argument. You are stewards of what our city and neighborhoods will be like, and we urge you to make a strong statement tonight, or whenever you decide, that residential developments that significantly and irreparably change the wooded nature of existing neighborhoods will not be approved by your board.

We understand there is a revised plan based presented for your review tonight. We have not seen that plan, plus since the public hearing was closed, we couldn't comment anyway. The optics of closing the public hearing and not allowing further feedback to revised plans are not good and seem to convey a closed process. Please understand, our opposition is not to the initial plan nor to any revised plan by this developer and engineer; we are opposed to any subdivision that will clear-cut a large swath of land, removing trees that make this neighborhood what it is and what attracted all of us to the area. Approving this request sets a precedent for future requests and that is a slippery slope; one that you can stop here.

The owner is not a resident of the neighborhood, and the engineer is a resident of Southborough. This is not someone developing their dream home. I would argue that their investment and motivation is purely financial. Our motivation is about our homes and the life and fabric of our neighborhood. The owner clearly assumes this is a done-deal, given that the 1-acre parcel, which includes the existing home and outbuildings, has been on the market since August 5, 2021.

At the recent COP26 climate summit, 100 world leaders promised to end and reverse deforestation. They understand that felling trees contributes to climate change. While that is at the global level, allowing clear-cutting of residential property for the financial gain of a few, in a small and local way, acts in opposition to this important message sent by the actions at the climate summit.

We are not anti-development. In fact, we applaud the efforts of the City Council and Planning Board with much of the industrial and commercial development that has been approved and that has propped up the tax base. We are, however, opposed to this development and its disregard for our neighborhood and our tranquility.

Thank you for your on-going consideration of our concerns and for being good stewards for the City of Marlborough and its citizens.

Katlyn Miller

From: Rose Marie Boniface <rmboniface4@aol.com>

Sent: Friday, November 19, 2021 12:55 PM

To: Katlyn Miller

Subject: Photos 11/12/21 Rainstorm

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Hello Katlyn,

The photos I just sent were taken on 11/12/21 between 3:20 and 3:50pm during a 2-3 hour heavy rainstorm. Our yard gets flooded from the driveway runoff of 142 Prendiville, the ponding water between 10 Harper and our yard where the detention drainage area was filled in, and runoff at the rear where the proposed subdivision lot is. The convergence of all of these sources of water on our property cause rapid flooding. This was not an issue when the house was built, as you can see our air conditioning unit is there on a concrete pad as is our pool pump, motor and filter, all there since 1986 on dry land. The recent addition of the generator was placed at the highest spot. This recent short duration storm shows where the water flows. In a multi-day rain event, such as we had several times this past summer, the water flowing beside our rear foundation becomes a raging stream. The impact of the tree cutting, loss of vegetation and building of a large house where it is proposed will only exacerbate the problem.

I hope you will be able to pass this on to the Planning Board and City Engineer.

Thank you so very much for your assistance.

James and Rose Marie Boniface

Sent from my iPad

Katlyn Miller

From: Rose Marie Boniface <rmboniface4@aol.com>

Sent: Friday, November 19, 2021 12:37 PM

To: Katlyn Miller

Subject: 11/12/21 Rainstorm 24 Harper Circle RE: 342 Sudbury

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Hello Katlyn Will send follow up explanation Rose Marie Boniface











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City of Marlborough **Department of Public Works**

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MARLBOROUGH, MASSACHUSETTS 01752

TEL. 508-624-6910

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SEAN M. DIVOLL, P.E. COMMISSIONER

November 19, 2021

Marlborough Planning Board

RE:

Definitive Subdivision Plan

342 Sudbury Street

Chair Fenby and Board Members,

The Engineering Division is in receipt of revised Definitive Subdivision Plans for 342 Sudbury Street. The revised plans are dated (revised): November 15, 2021 and were prepared by Robert Parente, PE, PLS. I have reviewed the revised plans and found that they have addressed the comments listed in my review letter to the board dated November 1, 2021. I understand the applicant plans to attend your next meeting and I am happy to continue discussions with the board in their consideration of the application, the waivers requested, the issue of private ownership of the roadway, and the other concerns expressed to date.

Should you have any question regarding the above, please do not hesitate to contact me at (508) 624-6910.

Sincerely,

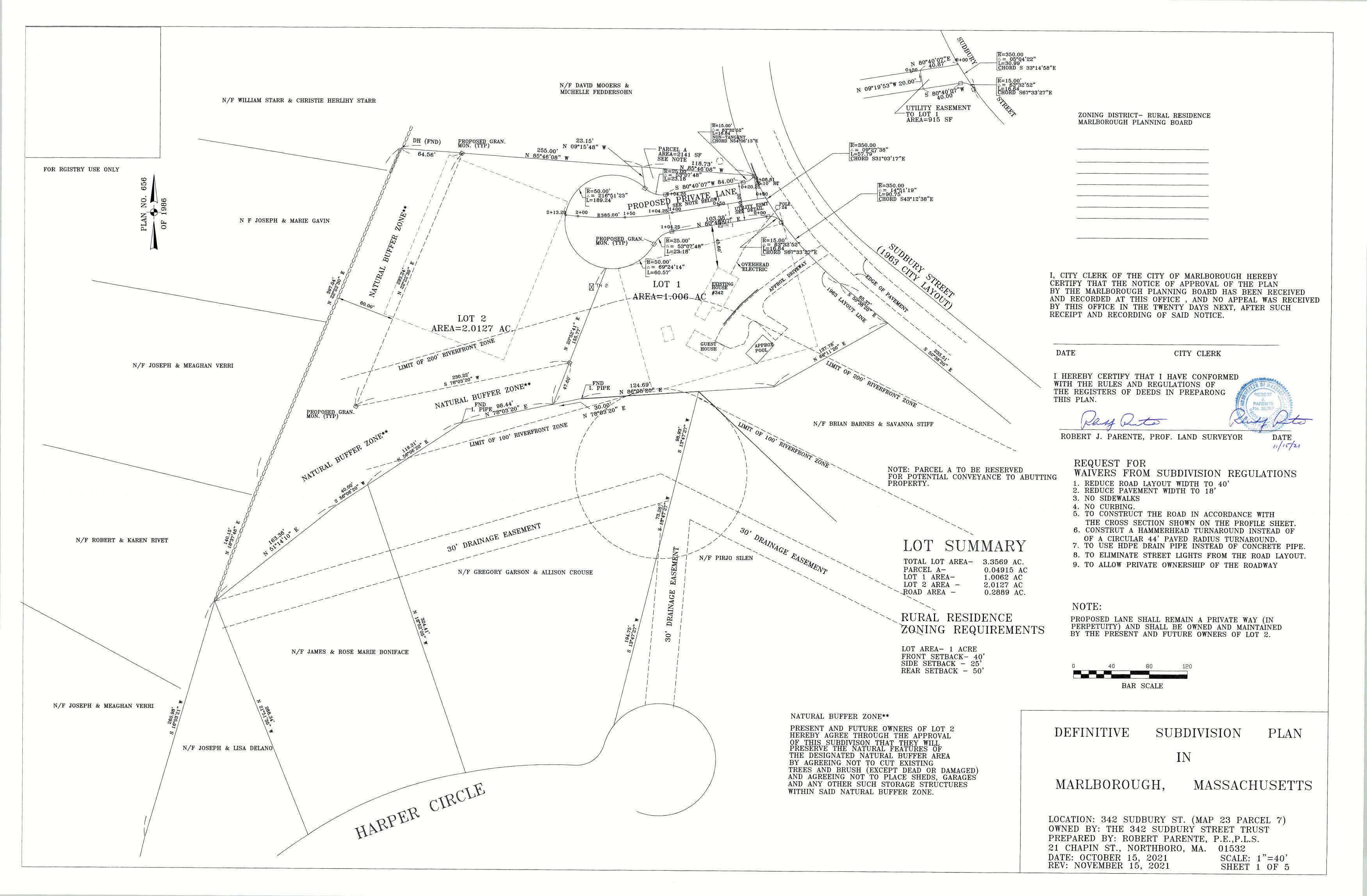
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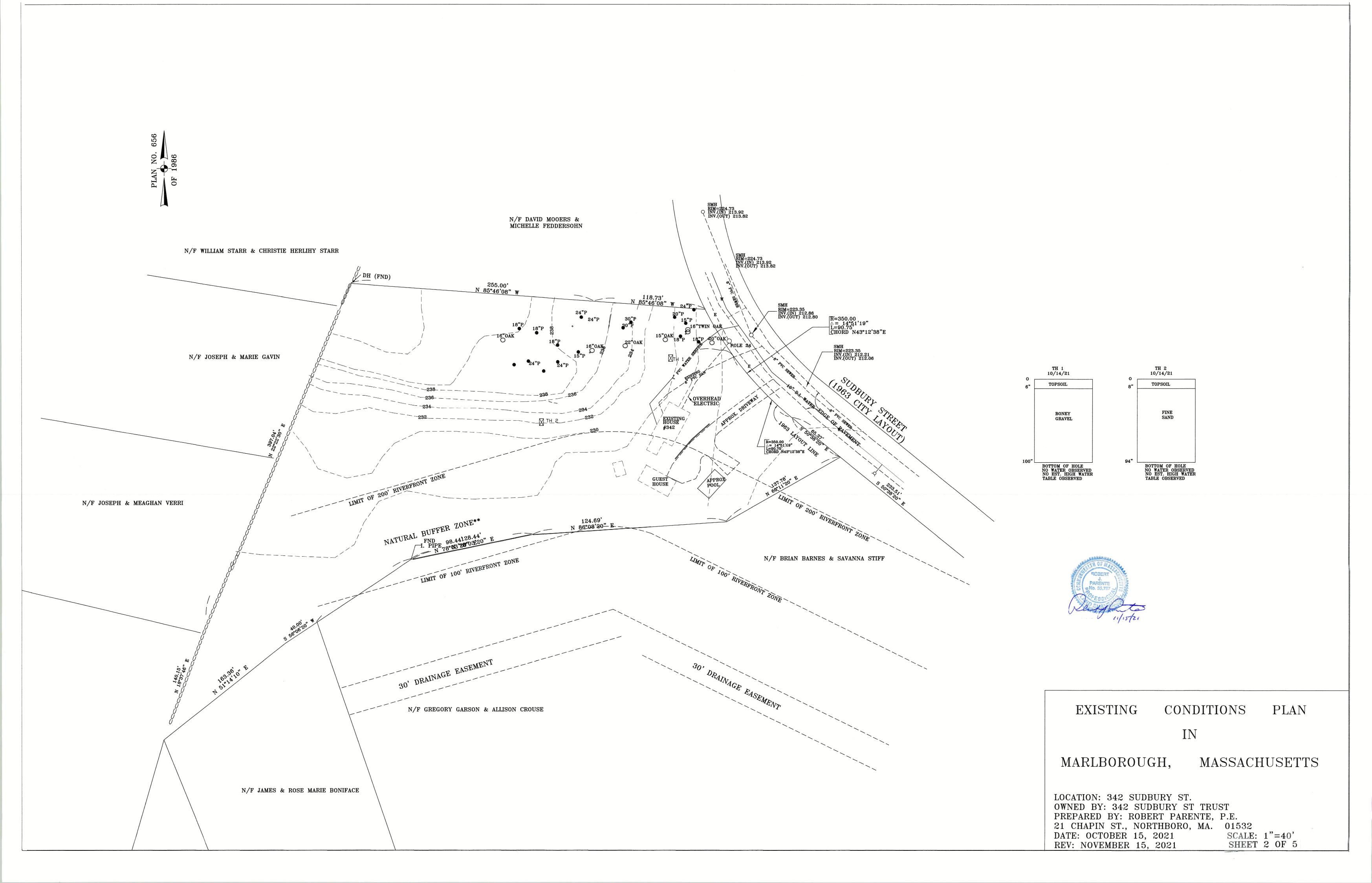
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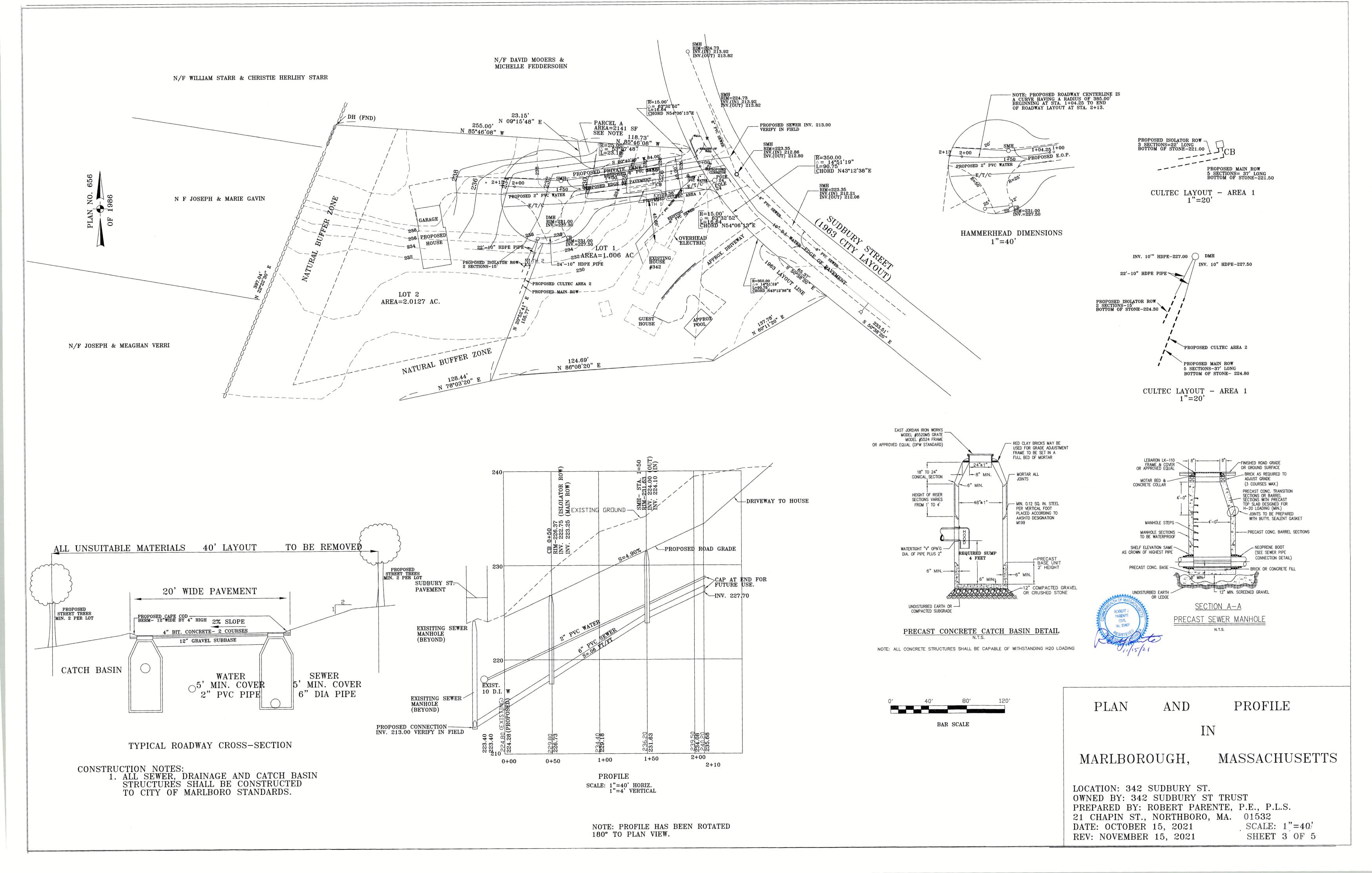
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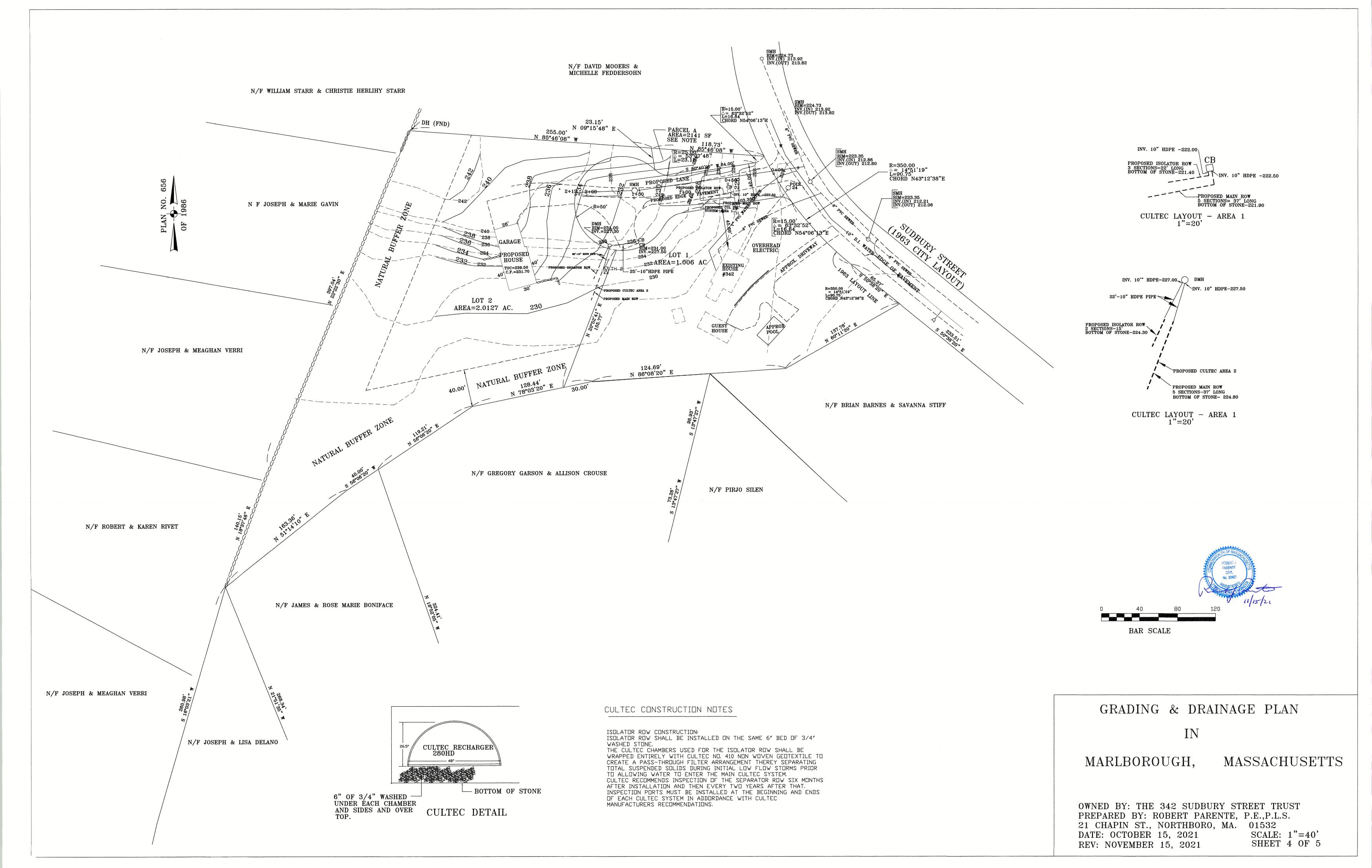
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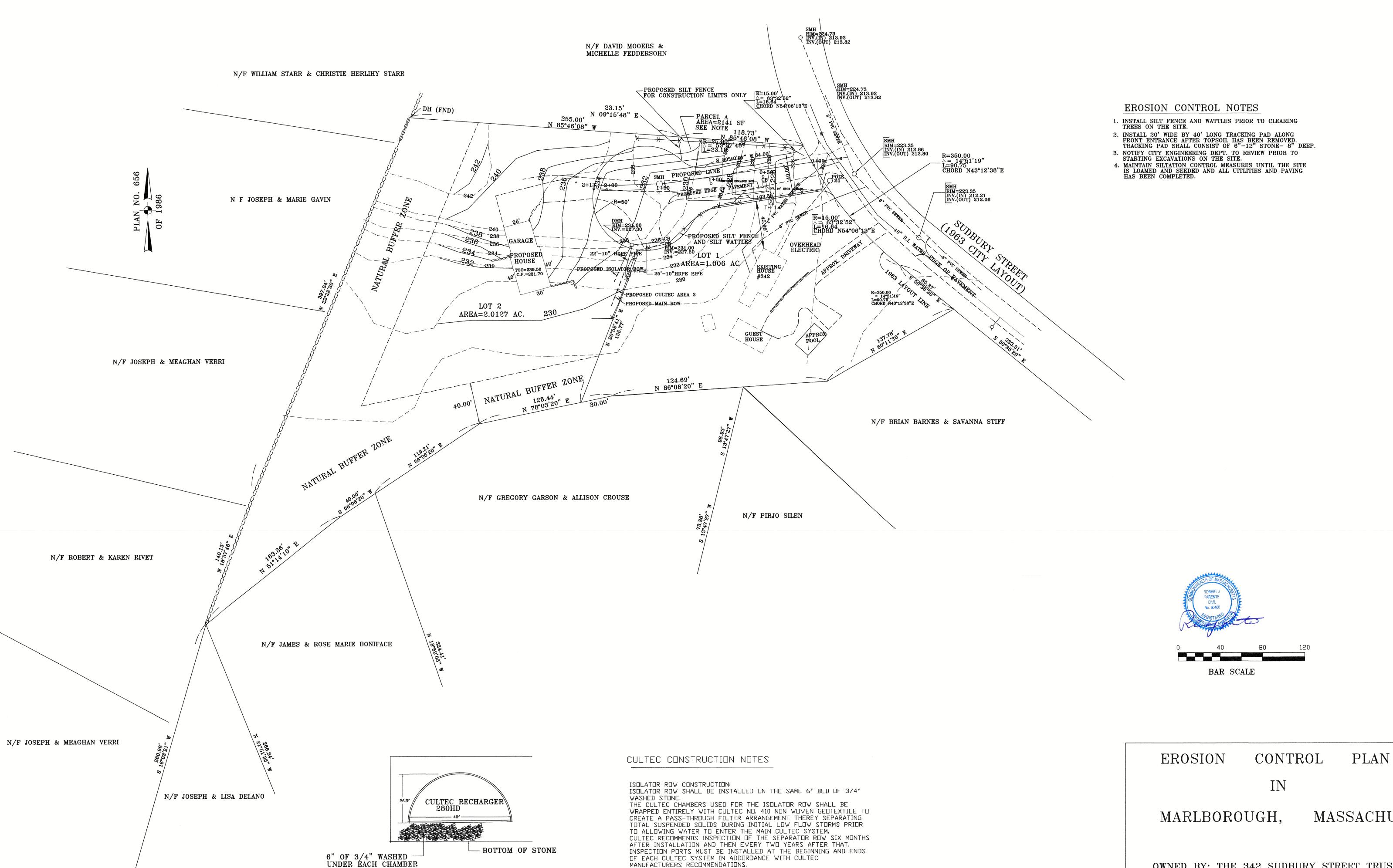
Applicant and representative











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OWNED BY: THE 342 SUDBURY STREET TRUST PREPARED BY: ROBERT PARENTE, P.E., P.L.S. 21 CHAPIN ST., NORTHBORO, MA. 01532 SCALE: 1"=40' SHEET 5 OF 5 DATE: OCTOBER 15, 2021 REV: NOVEMBER 15, 2021