SAYREVILLE PLANNING BOARD

MINUTES OF August 21, 2019

The regular meeting of the Sayreville Planning Board was called to order by Thomas Tighe, Chairman and opened with a salute to the flag. The meeting was being conducted in accordance with the Open Public Meeting Law P.L. 1975, c231, Public Law, 1975.

Members of the Planning Board present were: Mr. Chodkiewicz, Mr. Davis, Mr. Kelly, Ms. Lee, Ms. O'Leary, and Chairman Tighe

Absent Members: Councilman Dalina, Mr. Macagnone, Ms. Mantilla Mr. Volosin Also present were: Mr. Marc Rogoff, Attorney, Mr. Cornell, Engineer and Mr. Leoncavallo, Planner.

AT THIS TIME, THE MEETING WAS OPENED:

Chairman Tighe asked the Planning Board Secretary if the board meeting was being conducted under the Sunshine Law and if all publications were notified, the secretary had stated, yes.

MEMORIALIZATION OF RESOLUTION:

Sayreville Economic & Redevelopment Agency (SERA) Minor Subdivision for River Road Redevelopment Blk 175, Lots 9, 10, 11, 12.03 & 12.04

Blk 176, Lots 2.02 & 2.04

Atty: Mr. Michael J. Baker, Esq.

Hoagland, Longo, Moran, Dunst & Doukas, LLP 40 Paterson Street, New Brunswick, NJ 08903

Mr. Chodkiewicz made a motion to accept the resolution; seconded by Mr. Davis. ROLL CALL:

YES: Mr. Chodkiewicz, Mr. Davis, Mr. Kelly, Ms. O'Leary, Chairman Tighe NO:

ASBSTAIN:

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES:

Mr. Chodkiewicz made a motion to accept the Minutes of August 14th meeting; seconded by Mr. Kelly, motion carried.

SITE PLANS/SUBDIVISION HEARINGS:

The Place at Sayreville, LLC Blk 175, Lot 10.01

Atty: Mr. Chad Warnken, Esq.

Archer & Greiner, PC

10 Highway 35

Red Bank, NJ 07701

See Attached CSR transcription for application.

OLD BUSINESS/NEW BUSINESS/ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS:

Our next meeting is next week on September 11, 2019.

Public portion was opened and closed.

Chairman Tighe made a motion to adjourn, Mr. Chodkiewicz seconded.

Respectfully submitted,

Beth Magnani

Planning Board Secretary

BOROUGH OF SAYREVILLE PLANNING BOARD

PUBLIC HEARING RE:

APPLICATION OF THE PLACE AT SAYREVILLE, LLC, REQUEST FOR PRELIMINARY MAJOR SITE PLAN APPROVAL

Sayreville Municipal Building 167 Main Street Sayreville, New Jersey August 21, 2019 at 7:30 p.m.

BEFORE:

THOMAS TIGHE, CHAIRMAN ALLEN CHODKIEWICZ, COUNCILMAN KEVIN KELLY, COUNCILMAN DEBORAH LEE, COUNCIL WOMAN ANNA O'LEARY, COUNCIL WOMAN ROBERT DAVIS, COUNCILMAN

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Also present: 10

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11 JAY CORNELL, BOROUGH ENGINEER

12 JOHN LEONCAVALLO, BOROUGH PLANNER

BETH MAGNANI, BOARD SECRETARY 13 14

EXHIBITS 2 3 IDENT. DESCRIPTION 4 Colored rendition of the preliminary A - 1 plan for the minor subdivision 5 A-2 Sayreville River Road site plan 6 Sayreville River Road revised site plan A-3 7 Highlighted garbage truck circulation

A-6 Front elevation of a typical 24 unit building

Rear elevation of a typical 24 unit 11 A - 7 12

A-8 Typical 12 unit building 13

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A-9 Ground floor plan, first floor plan of a typical 24 unit building

15 A-10 Four elevations of the community building 16

A-11 Community Room floor plan 17

CHAIRMAN TIGHE: Thank you for coming to the August 21st planning board. Madam 2 3

secretary, are we in accordance with the Sunshine Laws?

5 MS. MAGNANI: Yes, Chairman we are. 6 CHAIRMAN TIGHE: Can we have a roll

call. MS. MAGNANI: Mr. Chodkiewicz.

MR. CHODKIEWICZ: Yes

MS. MAGNANI: Councilman Dalina.

Mr. Davis.

MR. DAVIS: Here. MS. MAGNANI: Mr. Kelly.

MR. KELLY: Here.

MS. MAGNANI: Miss Lee. MS. LEE: Here.

MS. MAGNANI: Mr. Macagnone.

Miss O'Leary. MS. O'LEARY: Here.

MS. MAGNANI: Mr. Volosin.

21 Miss Mantilla. 22 Chairman Tighe.

CHAIRMAN TIGHE: Here.

MS. MAGNANI: Mr. Rogoff. 25 MR. ROGOFF: Here.

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4 MS. MAGNANI: Mr. Cornell. 2 MR. CORNELL: Here. 3 MS. MAGNANI: Mr. Leoncavallo. 4 MR. LEONCAVALLO: Here 5 M\$. MAGNANI: We have a quorum. 6 CHAIRMAN TIGHE: Thank you. We have 7 a site plan subdivision hearing here for The Place at Sayreville, LLC, block 175, lot 10.01. 8 9 Mr. Nelson. 10 MR. WARNKEN: It's Chad Warnken. 11 Archer & Greiner. 12 CHAIRMAN TIGHE: Oh okay. Well, you didn't make the paperwork. But we'll take you 13 14 any way. 15 MR. WARNKEN: Thank you. Again, Chad Warnken of Archer & Greiner on behalf of the 16 17 applicant. 18 CHAIRMAN TIGHE: Okay. 19 MR. WARNKEN: We are here for a

preliminary site plan approval for 89 residential

housing apartments, 88 of those are affordable,

and one is going to be the superintendent's

apartment. This is for preliminary site plan

affordable housing district of the River Road

only. This is, the apartments are in the

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in May of 2018 and to resolve the Borough's Mount Laurel fair share housing obligations. 6 The applicant is the named redeveloper for the affordable housing site and has entered into agreement with the Borough on 9 that. 10 At this time we would be asking again for the board for preliminary site plan 11 12 approval only. There are some timing constraints 13 that is why we are seeking that at this point. 14 There is one issue I just wanted to 15 raise right up front. We had noticed for and 16 applied for a variance with respect to the buffer 17 between the proposed project and the residential 18 properties. Based upon comments we had received 19 in the review letters we are able to modify the plan to respect the 50 foot buffer between the 20 21 project and the residential homes on Main Street. 22 The architect and the engineer will 23 describe that in more detail but we just wanted 24 to lay that out up front. 25 CHAIRMAN TIGHE: Thank you very

development plan. The proposed development is to

implement the Borough's settlement agreement with

3 the fair share housing center that was dated back

7 1 much. 2 MR ROGOFF: Does that mean the 3 application is variance free? 4 MR. WARNKEN: No. The one area of 5 the variance is going to be modified, the variance is still going to be needed for another 7 spot. 8 MR. ROGOFF: You are just talking 9 about that one area? 10 MR. WARNKEN: That one area that 11 we'll be compliant. 12 CHAIRMAN TIGHE: I tried to get it all. I could only get that though. All right. 13 14 Go ahead. It is all yours. 15 MR. ROGOFF: I just need you to make 16 some of these reports part of the record to put 17 into evidence and ask you a few questions about 18 them. 19 The first report is prepared by Jay Cornell dated August 21, 2019 from CMA. Did you 20 21 get that? 22 MR. WARNKEN: We did. 23 MR. ROGOFF: There was a report from our planner, John Leoncavallo dated August 19, 24

8 1 MR. WARNKEN: We did. 2 MR. ROGOFF: And there are a lot of attachments to Mr. Cornell's report, including my 3 4 legal memo. 5 MR. WARNKEN: Which we have receipt 6 of. 7 MR. ROGOFF: And redeveloper agreement. You received that as well? 8 9 MR. WARNKEN: Correct. 10 MR. ROGOFF: You agree to make those 11 reports a part of the record and enter into them 12 into evidence with respect to this matter? 13 MR. WARNKEN: We do. 14 MR. ROGOFF: Are there any terms and 15 conditions in either of those reports that you 16 can't comply with, particularly the engineer's 17 report? 18 MR. WARNKEN: We can generally 19 comply with the engineer's report. I can let Mr. 20 Zelina testify to that. We have been in 21 discussions with the engineer. We believe those 22 items can be resolved by the time of final approval. There are certain items. 23 24 CHAIRMAN TIGHE: You have to speak

25 into the mic.

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4 MR. WARNKEN: There are certain items that we will address that we can not comply 2 3 with at the time --4 CHAIRMAN TIGHE: Hold on. Somebody in the back -- he is speaking into the mic, Al. 5 6 If you can't hear, come up front. 7 MEMBER OF AUDIENCE: The attorney 8 isn't speaking into the mic. MR. ROGOFF: Sorry. You are right. 9 10 How about now? 11 So anyway, I am going to assume that your client is in agreement to all of the terms 12 and conditions unless you tell me to the 13 14 contrary. 15 MR. WARNKEN: Correct. One final 16 thing I just wanted to confirm that we provided our notice package and the services appropriate. 17 18 MR. ROGOFF: I reviewed the notice and I reviewed the public notice in the newspaper 19 and we have jurisdiction to entertain this 20 21 matter. 22 MR. WARNKEN: Thank you. 23 MR. ROGOFF: Raise your right hand. MARK ZELINA, having been duly sworn, testified as follows: 25

MR. ZELINA: My name is Mark with a K, Zelina, Z-E-L-I-N-A. I am a senior associate with the firm Maser Consulting. I am the engineer of record for the plan that we are going to discuss here this evening. 6 I had appeared before this board previously and I am a licensed, my license -- I continue my license as a licensed professional engineer. 10 CHAIRMAN TIGHE: Do I have a motion 11 to accept his credential? 12 COUNCIL WOMAN LEE: Motion. 13 CHAIRMAN TIGHE: Second? 14 COUNCILMAN CHODKIEWICZ: Second. 15 CHAIRMAN TIGHE: All in favor. 16 COUNCILMAN CHODKIEWICZ: Aye. 17 COUNCILMAN KELLY: Aye. 18 COUNCIL WOMAN O'LEARY: Aye. 19 COUNCIL WOMAN LEE: Aye. 20 COUNCILMAN DAVIS: Aye. 21 CHAIRMAN TIGHE: Aye. 22 Thank you, sir. Go ahead. 23 MR. ZELINA: I'll try to keep up the 24 volume a little bit here. 25 The first exhibit I have for you

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1 this evening which I'll mark A-1. MR ROGOFF: That is a colored 2 rendition of that which is contained in the subdivision plan -- the site plans? 5 MR. ZELINA: That is correct. 6 MR. ROGOFF: A-1. 7 MR. ZELINA: And it is a colored rendition of the preliminary plan for the minor subdivision. I just brought it up first to 9 10 illustrate the property that is being discussed 11 this evening or the piece of property that is 12 being developed. The lot under consideration was 13 formerly proposed lot 10.01 but after today's 14 resolution is now lot 10.01 and on this, on the 15 exhibit it is the light pink area on the board. 16 It contains 13.745 acres and it is in the 17 affordable housing district under the redevelopment plan. 18 19 Just for the record it has frontage on Sayreville Boulevard. It has limited frontage 20 on Main Street. This small lake here, there is a 21 22 deep ravine there so that is totally inaccessible. And there is a little bit more 23

frontage a little bit further to the southeast

impacted somewhat by wetlands.

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1 For the record, we are not proposing any access anywhere on Main Street. You will see on the plans for the development access to the development both for utilities as well as cars and whatnot will all be to Sayreville Boulevard. That is the purpose of that exhibit. 7 MR. WARNKEN: Okay. Mark, can you bring up your next exhibit which is the site plan. We are going to mark this A-2. 9 10 MR. ROGOFF: That's fine. A-2. 11 CHAIRMAN TIGHE: A-2. 12 MR. WARNKEN: Mark, can you describe 13 what that is for the board. 14 MR. ZELINA: Yes, I can. Exhibit A-2 is entitled "Sayreville River Road site plan 15 exhibit." This is a colored rendering of the 16 site plan that has been submitted in the package 17 to the board in advance of this meeting. 18 19 It is important, I want to review 20 this a little bit because in a few minutes we are going to discuss the modified site plan. But it 21

22 is important for me to illustrate that the

23 modified site plan is very similar to the plan

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MR. ZELINA: That and some of the public in attendance at the subdivision planning meeting last week.

MR. WARNKEN: Thank you.

MR. ZELINA: First of all, the project proposes 88 affordable units plus one 10 additional unit for a superintendent's unit. 11

They will be located at five separate buildings, 12

all of which will be three stories. The five 13

14 buildings are dustered around a parking lot.

Parking is provided, adequate parking is provided 15

16 for each unit and appropriate circulation in and around the units both for car circulation as well 17

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But as I mentioned initially, access 22 is provided from Sayreville Boulevard via a

Boulevard entrance road approximately 800 feet 23

24 long to the parking court.

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3 and not only did they provide a storm water

4 collection system adjacent to this site but they

5 have also extended sanitary sewer along that side

of Sayreville Boulevard which we will be able to 6

7 tie in a gravity sewer system to an existing

8 manhole on our side of Sayreville Boulevard. 9

Potable water will also be provided from an existing line in Sayreville Boulevard. We do have to cross into the street there for

12 that service.

> At some point in the future we will do a fire hydrant test to determine the available capacity and pressure in Sayreville Boulevard and determine whether we need a connection to Main

16 Street or not. 17 18 Take notice of the layout of this 19

plan. There are four buildings, clustered in one area, then another building at the very

southeasterly corner. When this plan was 21

originally proposed we had provided, you will see 22 23 there is some parking adjacent or to the rear of

some of the residents along Main Street. The 24

driveway and then the tot lot and clubhouse which 25

additional property that is zoned for senior

development and the Boulevard has been designed

to provide access to that additional development

should it ever take place. But that is not part

of the application here today.

6 So in addition to the five residential buildings proposed by the 7

8 development, there is a clubhouse and a tot lot.

The clubhouse is 1,750 square feet. Single 9

family -- single story, one story as opposed to a 10

11 three story for the residential buildings.

12 MR. WARNKEN: And again there is no

13 connection out to Main Street, correct? 14

MR. ZELINA: None whatsoever.

The site is interesting in the fact

16 that it slopes from the south to the north. All

17 the storm water runoff runs to the north.

18 Currently, as it will in the post developed

19 state, we've provided for a storm water

20 management system. It does not appear on this

rendering because it is an entirely, completely 21

underground system. Series of underground pipes, 22

23 inlets, pipes and water pulling devices as well.

24 All the storm water runoff is gathered through

the site and tied into an existing pipe system in 25

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infringed or encroached upon a 50 foot buffer

which, a landscape buffer that is required by the

ordinance or by the redevelopment plan in this 3 4 zone.

So as we alluded to in the beginning of the presentation we had some feedback that

said maybe that is not such a good idea. So we went back to the drawing board and we moved 8

9 things around a little bit, tightened up the

layout a little bit and we created, presented a

11 new design which we have in our next exhibit 12

which alleviates the need for a variance for that buffer. So we are able to re -- to lay out this

development and respect the 50 foot landscape

buffer that is required in all those residential 15 16

properties.

MR. WARNKEN: Mark, just to clarify, the variance is needed in another area still but

19 we are deleting it with respect to those

20 residences on Main Street, correct?

MR. ZELINA: Yes, that is correct.

22 What I failed to describe is, as far as the

layout of this project site, there is a large JCP&L right of way along the border of this site

to the east, 150 foot wide and then there is some

additional right of ways and easements that border the site. And you can see it had been disturbed previously by some other activities. That borders the site immediately to the right. 4 5 The other variance that we are talking about has to do with the setback -- I am 6 sorry the landscape buffer along that eastern 7 8 most property line. The way that the redevelopment plan reads, a 50 foot landscape buffer is required between the project site and 10 any adjacent residential properties or zones. 11 12 Under the redevelopment plan the 13

adjacent lands to the east are in fact zoned for residential development as is the property to the west as well.

16 We meet the buffer along the west. You will see later on with some testimony from 17 our planner that we do not quite provide the 50 18 foot buffer required along the eastern most 19 property line. We were able to respect it along 20 the southerly property line with the residents, we still, as was the question earlier, we still will require or are requesting a variance for the 23 24 setback into the landscape buffer along the 25 eastern most project.

18 1 CHAIRMAN TIGHE: How short are you? 2 MR. ZELINA: We are 20 feet. 3 CHAIRMAN TIGHE: 20 feet. So you have 30 foot of buffer plus the 50 foot that the 4 power line has. 6 MR. ZELINA: 150. In excess of 150. 7 CHAIRMAN TIGHE: So you are 180. 8 MR. ZELINA: If you include the power line. 10 CHAIRMAN TIGHE: Okay. 11 MR. ZELINA: It is not on our property but it is adjacent land use next to us. 12 13 MR. WARNKEN: That means there is not going to be any residential uses within 180 14 feet of the property line. 15 16 MR. ZELINA: That is correct. 17 At least 150 feet because the 30 foot buffer is on our property. 18 19 MR. ROGOFF: Just to clarify, that is along, I guess that is the rear of building 20 three? I just want to be clear where that buffer 21 22 relief is being requested. 23 MR. WARNKEN: Mark, why don't we 24 bring up the new exhibit. Because that is going to be the plan we are going to be going for. 25

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1 Make it a little easier.

2 MR. ROGOFF: As long as I have the 3 actual dimensions of the location.

4 MR. ZELINA: It is behind building

one and three and five. It is the entire, outside of the parking lot areas on the east side

of the development. 7 8

MR ROGOFF: That is along that Jersey Central Power & Light easement.

10 MR. WARNKEN: Correct.

MR. ZELINA: Yes.

MR. ROGOFF: No homes impacted over

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MR. WARNKEN: None.

MR. ZELINA: That is correct,

MR. WARNKEN: So we are going to ask 16 to mark this A-B which is the modified site plan 17

which has been done in response to the board and 18 the public's comments about that buffer. 19

20 MR. ROGOFF: A-3. 21

MR. ZELINA: Exhibit A-3 is titled

"the Sayreville River Road revised site plan 22 exhibit." If you will note, the layout of the 23

project site is very close to the original plan. 24

The access road comes from Sayreville Boulevard

into a court of four buildings and then further

to the fifth building in the southeast corner.

What we were able to do is flip flop some

buildings so that what was previously a 17 unit

building is now a 12 unit building. It enabled 5

us to reduce some of the parking around that 7

building and pull out any of the disturbance into

that landscape buffer in that area. 8 9

We removed the driveway between the

10 units and were able to pull or to move the parking and clubhouse and tot lot out of the 50 11

foot buffer here as well. 12

So what we have on this plan now, an undisturbed -- well, I don't know if it would be

undisturbed at the end but it will be completely 15 landscaped 50 foot buffer between the project 16

site and the existing residential homes along 17 18

Main Street.

19 MR. ROGOFF: That revised site plan 20 with those modifications, that's been reviewed by our professional staff, is that correct?

21 22 MR. CORNELL: If I might clarify. I

was provided with an advanced copy. I had some 23 discussions with Mr. Zelina. I was provided with

the advanced copy just to see it but we have not

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1 done a detailed review. So that would be a 2 condition. If the board acts favorably we will have to review that, as we are going to have to any way before they come back to final because 4 5 there are a lot of other engineering issues. 6

MR. ROGOFF: You agree to that? 7 MR. WARNKEN: Yes.

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MR. WARNKEN: Mark, with respect to this revised plan it does not impact drainage, increase density, we still meet the parking requirements, correct?

MR. ZELINA: That is correct. We have an excess number of parking spaces. Just 15 for the record I will just enumerate them. With 16 the mix of bedrooms, some of these units have one -- are made up of one, two and three bedroom 17 18 units. For instance, there is eleven one bedroom units, 50 two bedroom units, and 28 three bedroom units.

21 Based on that unit distribution, under the residential site approval standards, 22 179 parking spaces would be required. Then if 23 you provide for one space per 300 square feet for 25 the clubhouse, we would need another -- where is the clubhouse? Right there is the clubhouse.

Another, an additional six spots up our

requirement to a total of 185 parking spaces for the entire development.

What you will see on this plan is we have proposed a total of 191 parking spaces in

and around the residential units and the

clubhouse. Not only do we have enough spaces on

our gross number, what we have taken great care

of is to make sure that we have distributed the 10

11 parking adequately around each unit so that there is appropriate parking in close proximity to each 12

13 of the units based on, you know, in accordance

with the calculated requirements. So it is 24 14

spaces required here, there is 25, and so on so 15

forth. This 24 unit building, there is enough 16

17 parking. So the parking is well distributed

around the buildings and we meet the -- we are in 18 19

excess of that that is required. 20

Going back to the utilities, that is why we felt comfortable presenting this plan this

evening, all of the utilities remain the same, 22

the water and sewer run out to Sayreville 23

Boulevard. The storm water management and the 24

25 storm water runs back out to Sayreville Boulevard

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1 through the underground system as well. So there

2 will be some modifications required for your

3 engineer to review. Nonetheless we feel that

4 this is a much improved plan. We were anxious to

present that to night to eliminate that variance

6 that we had previously requested along the buffer

along Main Street. 7

MR. WARNKEN: Can you just touch base a little bit about operations, trash?

10 MR. ZELINA: Absolutely.

There are three separate dumpster 12 enclosures, one at this corner outside this building, one in this corner and one on the

14 opposite corner.

> MR. ROGOFF: When you say this building, sir, could you just identify which building you are looking about because when I look at the transcript I don't know what you are talking about.

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MR. ZELINA: Okay. There is a dumpster enclosure located to the north of building one, to the south of building four, and outside, to the north of building five. Each of the dumpster enclosures are wide enough to

include a dumpster, a trash receptacle for

regular trash as well as recycling. So it is a

little bit wider than maybe what we are used to

3 seeing but we had to make sure it is appropriate

4 for recyclable materials as well as regular trash

5 materials.

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6 I'll just segue that into an exhibit 7 that was a part of the engineer's comments.

8 MR. WARNKEN: So we are going to

9 mark this A-4.

MR, ROGOFF: A-4.

MR. WARNKEN: Can you describe A-4.

MR. ZELINA: Of course. A-4 is a

13 highlighted garbage truck circulation exhibit.

We have prepared one of these both for fire truck 14

15 as well as trash removal or garbage truck. So

16 what you will see in red is what we created from

17 a truck turning template just to show that there is adequate turning movements that allows a 18

19 garbage truck to very freely circulate through

20 the site, approach the dumpster, remove the

trash, circulate around to the other dumpster,

22 come back out, pick up the other dumpster and

23 then back out of the site.

24 I think we have very generous curb radii on the site. We have been through this

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before so we make sure that there is appropriate 1 2 areas for both the fire and emergency vehicles as 3 well as the trash vehicles to maneuver through 4 the site without any difficulty. 5 MR. WARNKEN: The schedule of the 6 project, I know there was a question about the scheduling, it is going to be in conformance with 7 the schedule in the redevelopment agreement? 8 9 MR. ZELINA: 100 percent correct. 10 MR. ROGOFF: Is that phasing? 11 MR. WARNKEN: The planner had asked 12 the question about the construction sequencing and when it is going to start, and it will be in 13 accordance with the redevelopment agreement with 14 15 the Borough. 16 MR. ROGOFF: Well, for the benefit of the public can you tell me what that is. 17 18 MR. WARNKEN: It is, I think we are planning, under the plan is to come back for 19 final by next May and then from there it will 20 21 move on from there. 22 Yes, it is Exhibit B of the

November of 2020. And we anticipate about a 15 4 month construction period. 3 MR. ROGOFF: Thank you. 4 MR. ZELINA: That is essentially an 5 overview of the engineering associate with the 6 project. So I would be happy to answer questions 7 at this time. 8 MR. ROGOFF: I just want to know, sir, before the board asks you any questions, as 9 it relates to the technical comments made by Mr. 10 Cornell, and more particularly when you are 11 12 talking about site grading, general comments. 13 MR. ZELINA: I can save you, we 14 reviewed all of those in detail. We are able to 15 comply with all of them and work with Mr. Cornell 16 through the revision of these plans prior to 17 coming back to see you with final site plan. 18 MR. ROGOFF: So you are good with 19 everything that is in there? 20 MR. ZELINA: I am. 21 CHAIRMAN TIGHE: Planner's report, 22 too? 23 MR. ZELINA: Yes, but we have a 24 planner here, let's hear his testimony, will go

MR. WARNKEN: And our planner is also our landscape architect so he will talk about landscape as well.

23 redevelopment agreement. The submit for final

building in May of 2020, submit for building

permit in July of 2020. Start of construction

CHAIRMAN TIGHE: Good. Anybody from the board have any questions of the engineer?

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COUNCILMAN KELLY: Can you show me where the property ends on the other map, there was a lighter pink. On this one where those buildings are, it looks like a forest to the north. I guess that is northwest?

MR. ZELINA: The property line runs along the right of way of Sayreville Boulevard down along the common boundary line with the JCP&L easement, out to Main Street along the rear of the residential properties and back to the proposed drive, access driveway and along the southern line of that driveway.

19 COUNCILMAN KELLY: If you go along Sayreville Boulevard along that road all the way 20 21 to where it runs out, to where the map ends, and 22 you come down, almost like a giant triangle, 23 right?

24 MR. ZELINA: Yes.

COUNCILMAN KELLY: All that foliage

1 northwest is part of this lot?

2 MR. ZELINA: It is. What I failed

into a little more, before I speak to that.

3 to mention is the lot is, I'll say, severely

impacted by wetlands and wetlands transition 4

5 areas. There was a previous LOI issued on this

6 site back in 2009. The basis -- those wetlands,

7 that was the basis for --

8 MR. ROGOFF: Tell everybody what 9 that means. That is a letter of interpretation?

10 MR. ZELINA: Yes, it is. Basically

a confirmation by DEP of the wetlands limits on 11

12 the site.

13 We've applied for an updated letter of interpretation to the DEP. We are awaiting that. One of the requirements to get that is the 16 subdivision plan. So once that -- now that we

17 have a subdivision in place we can provide that

18 to the DEP which shows the limits of the

19 boundaries which we are seeking the LOI upon.

That will happen in very short order. Hopefully

we will get a response affirming the limits of

22 the wetlands.

Mr. Liotta will get into it a little

24 bit more. But there are wetlands impacting this

site. So associated with the wetlands by the DEP

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- there are transition areas. Under the previous
- 2 letter of interpretation issued for this site,
- 3 there are 50 foot wide buffers or transition
- 4 areas required around the wetlands that are on
- 5 this site. To develop this site in this manner
- 6 we have to average some of those wetlands. The
- 7 DEP has a provision where you can reduce some of
- 8 the buffers as long as you replace that buffer
- 9 somewhere else on the site. The reason why we
- 10 included this land in this particular -- in the
- 11 lot for this subdivision is to provide us with an
- 12 area where we can utilize for our wetlands
- 13 transitioning average. We are going to reduce
- 14 some of the transition areas or buffer areas in
- 15 and around the development. We are going to have
- 16 to replace some of that transition area in some
- 17 other areas on the site. That is why the lot is
- 18 bigger than it would normally seem, or why would
- we include all that in this development? So that 19
- 20 is the reason why.
- 21 MR. WARNKEN: I think what Mr. Kelly
- 22 might be getting at too is there is no proposal
- 23 to take those trees down. Those trees are
- 24 anticipated to remain?
- 25 MR. ZELINA: No, those will end up

- 1 there is a community garden located on the
- 2 original plan that we haven't yet located on the
- other plan. But beyond the clubhouse, tot lot
- and the community garden there are no other
- 5 recreational amenities proposed.
- 6 COUNCILMAN CHODKIEWICZ: Other than
- 7 the clubhouse and tot lot, that is it?
- 8 MR. ZELINA: That's correct. As I
- had mentioned and alluded to, because of the 9
- constraints, the environmental constraints on 10
- this site we have done about the best we can to 11
- get the 88 units on this site and all the 12
- 13 associated parking, driveways and everything
- 14 around it so we don't have a lot of room for
- other amenities even with the larger than what 15
- would appear larger area because of the wetlands. 16
- 17 CHAIRMAN TIGHE: Any other
- questions? You have another witness? 18
- 19 MR. WARNKEN: Do you want to open to
- the public for this witness or do you do it at 20
- the end? 21
- 22 CHAIRMAN TIGHE: We'll open them up
- 23 at the end.
- 24 MR. WARNKEN: Okay. Great.
- 25 We are going to have our landscape

- in a conservation easement when we are through
- with all of the DEP permitting and confirmation
- 3 by the DEP.
- 4 COUNCILMAN KELLY: I appreciate what
- 5 you are saying. But my thought, what I am
- saying, you could take this development and have 6
- 7 more of it running in a row versus impacting the
- 8 people living along Main Street. But now you
- 9 have explained why you have done what you have
- 10 done.
- 11 MR. ZELINA: We'll have an exhibit
- later on to that will present, show that a little 12
- 13 bit more clearly. I won't steal our planner's
- 14 thunder.

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- CHAIRMAN TIGHE: Allen, you had a
- 16 question?
- COUNCILMAN CHODKIEWICZ: Yes. Under 17
- 18 John's report, the project description, it
- 19 mentions there ancillary recreation areas and
- 20 amenities. You mentioned the clubhouse and the
- 21 tot lot. Do you have, can you explain what the
- 22 recreation areas are, how many, where they are at
- 23 and what they will be?
- 24 MR. ZELINA: No, that is all that is
- 25 proposed. There is proposed in the original,

- architect and professional planner testify now.
- RAY LIOTTA, having been duly sworn,
- 3 testified as follows:
- 4 MR. WARNKEN: Ray, can you give your
- name to the board and your qualifications. 5
- 6 MR. LIOTTA: Yes. My name is
- 7 Raymond Liotta, L-I-O-T-T-A. I am the director
- 8 of landscape architecture at Maser Consulting,
- 9 business address is 331 Newman Springs Road, Red
- 10 Bank. I am also a licensed planner with Maser
- 11 Consulting and I am here in both capacities.
- 12 MR. WARNKEN: And have you testified
- 13 before this board before?
- 14 MR. LIOTTA: Yes, I have testified
- 15 here. I am licensed as a landscape architect
- since 1985. And I am licensed as a professional 16
- 17 planner since 1988.
 - CHAIRMAN TIGHE: Motion to accept
- his credentials? 19
- 20 COUNCIL WOMAN LEE: I make a motion.
 - CHAIRMAN TIGHE: Second?
- 22 COUNCILMAN CHODKIEWICZ: Second.
 - CHAIRMAN TIGHE: All in favor?
- 24 COUNCILMAN CHODKIEWICZ: Aye.
 - COUNCILMAN KELLY: Ave.

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-Trans COUNCIL WOMAN O'LEARY: Aye. 2 COUNCIL WOMAN LEE: Aye. COUNCILMAN DAVIS: Aye. 3 CHAIRMAN TIGHE: Aye. 4 5 Please continue. 6 MR. WARNKEN: Ray, why don't we 7 start off, we'll get to the planning testimony, Mark talked a little bit about the site design 8 9 and the layout, why don't you describe to the board and to the public what the landscape plans 10 11 for the project. 12

MR. LIOTTA: Yes, let me start with 13 the landscaping and the lighting aspects. I am going to refer back to, well I'll use Exhibit A too which is the old plan. The new exhibit that we put up will have the same components in it because we will be complying with the landscape and lighting design requirements within the ordinances.

So within the landscape components 21 of the plan we have a street scape component which is along the Boulevard aspect from 22 Sayreville Boulevard to the actual development 24 site. And that requires a street planting on 25 both sides of the road as well as a planting

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that was prepared under my direction. It is 1 entitled "lot constraints exhibit." It is dated 3 with today's date. And let me just orient you to 4

the mapping.

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The very dark solid line is the project perimeter so maybe that helps you understand a little bit more about where the property line is to this particular site.

The various colors in here, we have a blue line that has a flood patterned designation to it which kind of meanders around some of the wetland areas and through some of the water facilities or water features on the site.

There are long blue dashed lines on the eastern end or right side of the exhibit which is the JCP&L exhibit. That is 150 foot wide power line easement that is just to the northeast of the property.

There are also two parallel other JCP&L easements, one of which is an old railroad 20 siting and JCP&L easement as well as an additional 50 foot JCP&L easement next to it. Those are the red solid lines that are also on the northeast side of the property.

And we have a red dashed line that

within the median of the buffer. There is an

open space requirement that indicates any

undeveloped property within the development site 3

which is not building or pavement or those types 4 5 of improvements are to be landscaped. This plan

does significant amount of landscaping through 6

7 those other open space and pervious areas within

8 the site.

9 There is a minimum requirement of 20 percent of the site to be landscape area. This 10 11 particular plan because of all of the wetland and open space areas, that will not be disturbed, 12

13 there is approximately 71 percent of landscape

14 pervious area throughout the site.

15 We talked a little bit about the 16 buffers. I think I'd like to introduce a new 17 exhibit which may help show a little bit more of 18 what the buffer situation is.

19 MR. ROGOFF: I think we are up to

20 A-5.

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MR. WARNKEN: Correct.

22 MR. ROGOFF: A-5 into evidence.

23 MR. WARNKEN: Can you describe what

24 A-5 is, Ray.

25 MR. LIOTTA: Yes. A-5 is an exhibit

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is within the property that I am tracing right

now. That is the required 50 foot buffer line.

So as you can see it is tracing around the area

that is adjacent to other property that is either existing residential, such as the units down on

Main Street, or the residentially zoned property

which is to the northeast of us or east of the

JCP&L power line and to the west of us and south

9 of Sayreville Boulevard just to the left on the 10

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And as you can see, we are respecting the 50 foot landscape buffer at the southern end where it adjoins the residential property zone on Main Street. The location where we do require the variance is along the parking lot side of the eastern/northeastern side of the two development sites where the units are.

18 So we are encroaching into the 50 19 foot buffer at the southeast end where we have a 20

minimum of approximately 27 feet and at the north end we have approximately 42 feet. So we are 21

22 into that buffer a little bit. But we are

23 immediately adjacent to the JCP&L power line

which is at least 150 but it is more in the 24

neighborhood of up to around 200 feet before we 25

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4" would get to any area that could be developed as 2 residential.

3 Also technically the entrance Boulevard is actually within the 50 foot 4

landscape buffer as it enters the site 5

immediately adjacent to the adjacent lot which is 6 also zoned residential in its plan for some type 7

8 of residential in the future.

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9 So that is the description and 10 graphic depiction of what the buffer variance is 11 with this application.

MR. WARNKEN: Do you want to go onto the landscape design?

MR. LIOTTA: We also have other 14 15 landscape design requirements are to vegetate the parking lots with a certain number of trees per 16 17 ten car spaces. We have done that. The 18 ordinance requires a certain number, the plan 19 exceeds that number. So we are meeting that 20 ordinance requirement.

Now there was and is a tree 22 inventory requirement. We did comply with submitting doing the tree inventory and submitting the tree inventory plan and 25 replacement plan.

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plan, we have done the Boulevard lighting as

required by the redevelopment plan and we've also

used similar type fixtures, they are colonial

post top fixture both on the Boulevard road as 4

5 well as the interior of the site. We are

6 essentially complying with the ordinance

requirements except that we are asking for a 7

8 waiver from the one foot candle minimum

requirement on the sidewalks. We believe that is 9

a little bit excessive for a project like this. 10

11 And we believe that we are consistent with

Illuminating Engineering Society recommendations 12

for minimum levels of enhanced security which is 13

14 a half a foot candle.

> So we are asking that the plan that we revise meet the half a foot candle standard for enhanced security on the sidewalk areas.

MR. ROGOFF: What does the ordinance

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MR. LIOTTA: The ordinance requires

one foot candle in all sidewalk areas.

CHAIRMAN TIGHE: And you are

proposing a half. 23 24

MR. LIOTTA: A minimum of a half a

25 foot candle, correct. 1 Because this is a redevelopment area

and it is an affordable housing development site

we are requesting a waiver from strict compliance 3

on complete satisfaction of all the required 4

5 number of trees that are indicated on that

6 replacement plan. There is a deficit and we are

requesting a waiver from that because of the 7

8 affordable housing component which desired to not

9 add additional costs if necessary. And we

believe that the landscape plans sufficiently 10

11 plants the developed portion of the site as well

as it's surrounded by wetlands at wetland areas 12

13 that would not be developed and are wooded.

The initial colors on the map, the

15 dark green color represents the wetlands areas.

16 And the light green color represents the wetland

17 transition areas. So as you can see the

remainder or the developable portion is the 18

19 yellow color. So we have a very irregularly

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shaped lot. We have a very constrained lot. And 21

we are basically taking the required number of

units and fitting it into essentially only the 22

developable portion of the very constrained, 23 24

environmentally constrained portion of the site.

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1 MR. WARNKEN: But we are going to 2 comply with the one foot candle at the entrance 3 driveway, correct?

MR. LIOTTA: We can comply with the one foot candle on the entrance drive. Primarily

5 it is in the area of where the lighting fixtures

7 are fairly immediate and close to the buildings

8 and the sidewalks are essentially right there, so

9 if we achieve one foot candle on the sidewalks

10 immediately adjacent to the building, that is

11 actually going to impact those units, and be 12

somewhat of a nuisance to the residents of the units because it is going to be fairly bright.

And we are proposing to have a minimum of a half a foot candle instead of one

15 16 foot candle throughout the residential portion. 17

MR. WARNKEN: And you believe that

is appropriate from a safety perspective? 18 19

MR. LIOTTA: It is appropriate from

20 a safety perspective because it meets the 21 enhanced security minimum standard of

22 Illuminating Engineering Society recommendations. 23

MR. WARNKEN: And the roadway would have the one foot candle which again is in

compliance with the ordinance because again that 25

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is not going to impact the residents in any way. 4 2 MR. LIOTTA: That is correct. And the lighting plan in any case will not have any 3 spillage off site, will not affect any adjacent 4 5 residential properties. MR. ROGOFF: Can you just be more 6 7 specific about where the half foot candles are 8 9 MR. LIOTTA: What we are asking is 10 that ---11 MR. ROGOFF: You said the sidewalks. 12 MR. LIOTTA: The sidewalks --

13 MR. WARNKEN: The sidewalks surrounding the building.

14 15 MR. LIOTTA: The ordinance says all sidewalks. So that means any sidewalks that are 16 shown within the project site itself. So there 17 is a sidewalk on the north side of the Boulevard 18 and then there are sidewalks throughout the 19 20 residential portion of the project, essentially 21 in front of the buildings and between the 22 buildings. The ordinance requires one foot 23 candle on all of those sidewalk areas.

24 MR. ROGOFF: So you want the half a 25 foot candles on the interior. How do we describe that?

2 MR. LIOTTA: Basically from the south end of the Boulevard where it contacts the first parking spaces throughout the remainder of the developed portion of where the residential units would be and that from the south end of the Boulevard to where it intersects Sayreville

8 Boulevard would be one foot candle.

MR. ROGOFF: Okav. MR. LIOTTA: Does that make sense?

11 MR. ROGOFF: Yep.

12 CHAIRMAN TIGHE: Yep. 13 MR. LIOTTA: Okay.

14 That's it for the landscape and

lighting testimony. I would like to get a little 15 bit into the planning issues if I can. I am 16

17 going to stick a little bit with this exhibit. 18

MR. ROGOFF: I am sorry, I hate to 19 interrupt you, but the tree waiver you are talking about, do you have the numbers? 20

MR. LIOTTA: We do.

MR. ROGOFF: I am going to need

23 those given to the public. 24

MR. LIOTTA: We conducted the tree

inventory per the ordinance requirements. They 25

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are based on the number of trees that are being removed and the size of the trees being removed, the ordinance would require us to replace 1,732 3 4 trees.

The plan includes 136 trees which 6 are being -- are meeting the other landscape design components of the ordinance for buffer plantings, parking lot plantings, and other requirements that require trees. So those trees count towards the replacement.

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But this site is entirely surrounded 12 by vegetated areas, heavily vegetated areas, wetland and wetland transition areas that are going to be preserved. And we've planted the site sufficiently so that we are meeting the other landscape standards so we believe we have satisfied the aesthetic requirements for landscaping in the site.

The site cannot accommodate another 1,700 trees in the project area. So we are asking for a waiver from strict compliance so that that cost does not impact the affordable housing project.

24 MR. CORNELL: Mr. Chairman, if I 25 might.

CHAIRMAN TIGHE: Go ahead.

2 MR. CORNELL: Concerned that from our standpoint we have with regard to the waivers 3

is we are not dealing with a final plan at this 4

point. We have a plan that has a number of

engineering issues. You've come in tonight with 7 the plan that is now going to shift buildings

which is going to modify your landscaping and

possibly your tree preservation plan. So I think 9

10 from our standpoint there is a concern with 11

granting waivers on something that is going to 12 change in the future.

So our suggestion would be to hold off those waivers until you come back for final.

15 MR. LIOTTA: We agree with that. I 16 just wanted to get on the record what our 17 position was with a few of those items so that

you knew where we were, particularly with this 18 tree replacement issue.

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MR. CORNELL: I think from a 21 conceptual standpoint we understand the 22 constraints on the site and more than likely we 23 will agree in the future with some of the waiver

requests. But until we can actually tell you

what the impacts are, I think we would rather

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wait until we have those final plans and then we 1 can tell you specifically X number of trees as opposed to what you are throwing out now. Which in our engineer report where we have some concern with the numbers any way. 5 6 MR. WARNKEN: We are agreeable to 7 that. MR. LIOTTA: We understand, yes. 8 9 MR. CORNELL: Thank you. 10 MR. LIOTTA: So respect to the 11 planning issues, let me just reiterate what Mr. Zelina said. We are in the River Road 12 13 redevelopment area affordable housing district, 14 so the project itself is -- it's affordable 15 housing so it is inherently beneficial use and 16 based on that we are satisfying the positive 17 criteria necessary for any variance associated 18 with the project. 19 With respect to the variances, the 20 only variance that we are requesting is the 21 variance to the buffer and the only location 22 where we are actually not providing the buffer 23 that is impacting -- that is not impacting anyone

There is also no impact to anyone for the Boulevard being in that location because it has to be in that location due to the physical wetland constraints and wetland buffer constraints. It can't go anywhere else. We can't get the permits to move the roadway out of that area. 7 8 MR. WARNKEN: And Ray, just a clarification, I think when you were talking 9 about the impact, you are saying the only spot 10 11 where it will be is along that JCP&L power line and it will not impact any residential area? 12 13 MR. LIOTTA: It will not impact 14 residential properties. And if the site to the east is ever developed under the current zoning 15 16 and redevelopment plan as residential the nearest 17 home would be approximately 180 to 200 feet from our property line. So there is essentially no 18 19 impact to us encroaching 32, 33 feet into the 20 buffer. 21 CHAIRMAN TIGHE: Could you explain 22 what you are going to do down near Main Street, 23 with the 50 foot buffer. What is that buffer 24 actually going to be? 25 MR. LIOTTA: A majority of that

1 buffer is vegetated. Now it is wooded however we 2 are going to supplement those areas with 3 additional landscape material as required in the 4 ordinance so that we enhance this existing 5 landscape area so that we have a very solid 6 buffer to allow for screening of the project site 7 to the residential units on Main Street. 8 MR. CORNELL: Mr. Chairman, a follow 9 up on that. The original plan proposed fencing along that property line. Is that still 10 11 proposed? 12 MR. LIOTTA: That is, will still be 13 in the revised plan, yes. And as Mr. Mr. Zelina indicated earlier, the project site is actually lower in elevation than the residential homes so 15

we get the advantage of some of that elevation

slope down into our site so as we put evergreen

24 is along the PSE&G easement area on the eastern

25 side of the property.

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trees and additional landscaping, essentially 18 19 along the property line we are achieving more impact with those plantings for screening 20 21 purposes because it is on the highest point or

22 highest elevation of the site and will help 23 screen the buildings even more effectively. 24 MR. ROGOFF: But along the Main

25 Street corridor you comply with the 50 foot 1 buffer?

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MR. LIOTTA: We do, yes.

3 MR. LEONCAVALLO: Mr. Chairman, I 4 have a question. Ray, to the east of the PSE&G

5 buffer, that area which might be developed

sometime in the future, may not be developed,

7 most of that, my estimation is flood plain,

8 correct?

9 MR. LIOTTA: It is a combination of 10 wetlands and flood hazard area. It may potentially be developed but it would be very 11 challenging. 12

13 MR. LEONCAVALLO: So unlikely to

14 happen.

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MR. LIOTTA: It is unlikely.

MR. LEONCAVALLO: Thank you.

MR. LIOTTA: In my opinion.

So we talked about the other water

19 items. I don't want to reiterate that but we are 20 proposing the variance issue with respect to the

21 buffer area as a hardship type variance because

22 of the physical constraints associated with the 23

property. As you can see by exhibit A-5 we have significant wetland areas and wetlands buffers

surrounding the site. We are utilizing all of

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the developable area to the best extent we can 1 and still provide the number of units we need to 2 provide based on the settlement agreement and we are not creating any detriment or impact, negative impact to the residential homes on Main 5 6 Street. 7 So I think we have done what we can 8 with respect to mitigation and we have limited any impact to adjacent residential homes. And I 9 10 believe that we have met the criteria for 11 satisfying that variance request. 12 COUNCILMAN CHODKIEWICZ: Is there 13 fencing along that JCP&L? 14 MR LIOTTA: There is not. 15 COUNCILMAN CHODKIEWICZ: So the 16 only, what I put up before about recreational and 17 you have family units that are going to be there, 18 I believe that property to the east is what the 19 kids in this town refer to as Acapulco where they

20 go back there swimming and do whatnot. So being

MR. LIOTTA: I put exhibit A-1 back

21 as you are not providing anything, I think that

22 is where a lot of the kids are going to be going.

23 And I have some concerns about that.

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area that we are talking about being completely constrained. 3 COUNCILMAN CHODKIEWICZ: Put the 4 other one back up where you show the actual 5 6 MR. LIOTTA: You want to see that 1 one, okay. 8 MR. WARNKEN: Can you indicate which 9 plan it is for the record. 10 MR. LIOTTA: Yes, will do. 11 This is exhibit A-2 which shows a 12 better depiction of the water body that is just 13 to the east of the power line. 14 COUNCILMAN CHODKIEWICZ: There is a 15 lot of kids that go back there with cars and 16 motor bikes. 17 MR. LIOTTA: Yes, it has evidence of 18 dirt bikes and quads and the like being back 19 there. 20 MR. WARNKEN: The applicant is 21 willing to, at final to take a look between now 22 and final to see if there is something that we 23 can do to understand what your concerns are. 24 COUNCILMAN CHODKIEWICZ: I mean, if 25 there is fencing along there, you guys aren't

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providing any kind of recreational for the 2 families that are going to be living in these 3 units. 4

25 up and the lot east of us, this blue lot is the

MR. WARNKEN: Well, we are, the tot 5 lot, the clubhouse, and the clubhouse different services they are going to provide there. I know 7 there was some discussion about a garden. There are physical constraints on the property as to 8 9 how much they can do.

10 COUNCILMAN CHODKIEWICZ: I 11 understand.

MR. WARNKEN: So we are limited in that way. It is an affordable housing project so there is a limited ability financing that you can do with that as well.

But if we can take a look between now and the final approval to see if there is anything we can do to restrict access to that area. I can't promise anything but that is something we can take a look at.

COUNCILMAN CHODKIEWICZ: Take a look at it. See what you can do. Thank you.

23 MR. LIOTTA: That is the end of my 24 direct planning and architecture testimony unless 25 you have any questions.

1 COUNCILMAN KELLY: Two questions.

One about the trees. When you say the

3 requirement, I know we are not going to get into

it too much, the requirement being 1,700 so, do 4

5 you have to replant those trees on the lot or

6 could those trees, could you fill that quota 7 elsewhere in town?

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MR. LIOTTA: Maybe, I'll say but Mr. 9 Cornell could update me if I misspeak. I believe

10 there are various options of either planting on

site and/or planting at another Borough owned

site or contributing to a tree fund account. 12 13

MR. WARNKEN: Again, we understand 14 that the Borough wants to talk about that. We

15 can discuss it between now and final too.

16 COUNCILMAN KELLY: I wanted to get 17 clarification. The second thing is the one foot

versus half foot. Would the actual light fixture

itself be identical and simply a question of a

20 difference of brightness of bulb?

21 MR. LIOTTA: No, it is going from 22 one foot candle to a half a foot candle, we are 23 using fixtures that are not very tall. They are in that residential size and type. They are 16

foot height mounting height. So they are in a

residential scale. So to increase the light on 1 the sidewalk and to have a fairly good uniformity so we don't have significant hot spots and cold spots, we are probably going to have to add fixtures to meet that one foot candle. However, 6 if we achieve the half a foot candle on the 7 residential component we will be satisfying the minimum enhanced security standard that the Illuminating Engineering Society recommends. 9 10 COUNCILMAN KELLY: I understand that but you said it affects the residents themselves 11 but in fact it affects you with the cost of the 13 structures. MR. LIOTTA: It would. And if the 14 15 board decides that we need to provide one foot 16

candle, we will. COUNCILMAN KELLY: Right. Okay. MR. LIOTTA: What I am just saying is I believe that providing that amount of light which is essentially a commercial standard is inappropriate in this setting.

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MR. WARNKEN: You think, in your professional opinion the half a foot candle is a better design alternative?

MR. LIOTTA: I believe it is, yes.

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site. And the buffering to the residential units to the south will be substantial but through the combination of proposed plantings and the preservation of existing plantings so we are 4 protecting those residential units to the south 5 6 on Main Street through that buffer establishment. 7 And as the plan is generally 8 consistent with all of the other landscape requirements within the ordinance we believe that 9 10 the development will occur and provide a very nice visual aesthetic appearance and not create 11 12 any nuisances to the existing residential units 13 which are essentially along Main Street. And not 14 along any of the other property lines. 15 MR. WARNKEN: It won't impact the 16

zone plan of the ordinance, if you will?

MR. LIOTTA: No, that is the second aspect is doing substantial impairment to the zone plan and the zone ordinance has the master plan and the zoning ordinance. The proposed use

21 again is permitted within the affordable housing 22 redevelopment plan. In this particular zone this

is what is intended for this site. Except for 23

the one buffer variance we are talking about 24

everything else with respect to bulk standards

54 CHAIRMAN TIGHE: Any other questions 1 to the landscape architect/engineer? 3 MR. ROGOFF: I just have a little 4 auestion. 5 CHAIRMAN TIGHE: Go ahead. 6 MR. ROGOFF: With respect to the

7 negative criteria, I think you said it was 8 inherently beneficial use --9 MR. LIOTTA: Yes, I'll cover that.

10 MR. ROGOFF: I think you should. I 11 think you have to. So really you need to address whether or not the variance can be granted 12 13 without substantial detriment to the public good and will not substantially impair the intent and 14 15 purpose of the zoning ordinance.

16 MR. LIOTTA: I will cover that 17 again. I kind of covered it in the summary with some of the other discussion. But I will cover 18 19 it directly.

20 The first component of the negative 21 criteria is discerning substantial detriment to the public good. Again the plan includes a large amount of landscaping within the development site

that contributes to the well being of the 24

residents and the aesthetic value of the proposed

56 complies. So we are for all intents and purposes

compliant with the redevelopment plan. 2 3 MR. WARNKEN: That advances the

4 purpose of the zoning.

5 MR. LIOTTA: That advances the 6 purposes of the zoning, specific to this lot.

7 MR. ROGOFF: The purpose of zoning 8 that you are referring to is 4055D-2C to provide

9 adequate light near open space, is that correct?

10 MR. LIOTTA: That would be one of them, yes. 11

12 MR. ROGOFF: And that would also 13

be --14 MR. LIOTTA: We could also start

15 with --

16 MR. ROGOFF: You mentioned this, you just didn't mention the letter which is I to

promote a desirable visual environment through

creative development techniques, and specific 20

design arrangement. 21 MR. LIOTTA: That is correct.

22 MR. ROGOFF: That is your opinion? 23 MR. LIOTTA: That is and the main

24 one is A which is promoting the general welfare. We are doing that by providing a use that is

1 consistent with the redevelopment plan or essentially the master plan for this area. We 2 are specifically putting what is intended to be 3 here. So that advances the general welfare of 4 5 the municipal land use law. 6 CHAIRMAN TIGHE: Thank you for that 7 explanation. 8 MR. WARNKEN: Just the architect is 9 next. 10 CHAIRMAN TIGHE: Okay. 11 MR. ROGOFF: Sir, raise your right 12 hand. ROBERT COGAN, having been duly sworn, 13 testified as follows: 14 15 MR. WARNKEN: Mr. Cogan, can you give the board and the public the benefit of your 16 background and education. 17 18 MR. COGAN: Yes, I have 37 years of 19 professional experience, since earning a 20 Bachelor's Degree of architecture. I am a 21 principal in the firm Barton Partners Architect 22 Planners. We are out of the Norristown, PA 23 although 50 percent of our work is in New Jersey. 24 I am a registered architect in New Jersey. I 25 appeared before 35, 40 boards across the state.

58 I have not been in Sayreville yet. 2 CHAIRMAN TIGHE: Make a motion that we accept his credentials. Do I have a --3 4 COUNCIL WOMAN LEE: Second. 5 CHAIRMAN TIGHE: All in favor, 6 COUNCILMAN CHODKIEWICZ: Aye. 7 COUNCILMAN KELLY: Aye. 8 COUNCIL WOMAN O'LEARY: Aye. 9 COUNCIL WOMAN LEE: Aye. COUNCILMAN DAVIS: Aye. 10 11 CHAIRMAN TIGHE: Aye. 12 MR. COGAN: I just have a handful of 13 boards. I am going to go through some of the elevation drawings of the proposed buildings. 14 15 MR. WARNKEN: Okay. So, Mr. Cogan, these are drawings that were part of the 16 submission package to the board but these are 17 18 just color versions. 19 MR. COGAN: Exactly. They are the 20 same exact drawings, they were submitted as black and white. These are the colorized versions. 21 22 MR. WARNKEN: Why don't we mark it as an exhibit. For the record I think we are up 23 24 to A-6 now. 25 MR. ROGOFF: A-6.

59 1 MR. WARNKEN: Can you describe what 2 A-6 is? 3 MR. COGAN: Sure. In A-6 is what we are calling a front elevation of a typical 24 4 5 unit building. 6 MR. WARNKEN: Can you describe it 7 for the board? 8 MR. COGAN: Sure. Mr. Zelina had 9 testified there are three different building types, a 24, a 17 and a 12, and I will show you 10 11 those. I think that the, I'll go through some of the particular aspects but one of the things I 12 would like to discuss in the very beginning, two 13 14 major aspects. One, is it is a very traditional residential design. It is something that is 15 familiar. It has pitched roofs, there are 16 17 gables, there is horizontal siding, there is stone base, high pieces of stones. There is 18 19 shutters, single hung windows, and things like that, that we are not trying to be a very modern 20 building. Trying to be a very traditional 21 building which we think will fit in very well. 22 23 The other important thing to note is

that this, we believe this architecture is what

we call four sided architecture. There is no

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60 rear elevation where it becomes a straight wall and it is unarticulated. All four of the elevations are articulated the same. I think 3 what you will see when I go to the other building 4 types, all three of the building types are similarly articulated. 6 7 MR. WARNKEN: Great. 8 MR. COGAN: As an example in this here we have three different types of horizontal siding, three different colors. We also have one 10 11 of those three is a shake like siding for a little bit of accent. In this white area here in 12 13 these tight upper gables is a cement, fiber cement based panelized area for a little bit of 14 15 accent. We added some detailed elements up at 16 the top. Some little chocks at the raise board, stone base at the bottom and in areas where the 17 18 stone will jump up higher. 19 What is also interesting to note 20 here is that again this is not a flat building, there is a lot of articulation in and out, in 21 22 recesses and depressions. That I will show in the floor plan will kind of describe that, but since I have this drawing up here now.

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surrounds, have a white window surround or have 2 shutters. So there is no windows that are 3 unadorned.

The other interesting thing about 4 this too is our client is very adamant about 5 this, these buildings here, everybody has their 6 7 own front door. Everybody has their own front entrance. There is no one building entrance that you enter into and therefore there's a long 10 corridor. Everyone has their own front door. Any staircases that are required are inside the units, a little bit more of a sense of place and pride.

12 13 MR. WARNKEN: That's great. 14 15 MR. COGAN: And those, again I'll show you those in the floor plan, will make a 17 little more sense, but those areas are, what I am 18 referring to here in these little shaded areas that are in between. So in this area here there 19

are eight doors. You enter into this courtyard. 20 21 Courtyard you are entering through is a metal 22 roofed portico. We have some columns, kind of

23 signify where the entrance is. You pass through

that area and then you go to your entrance doors. 24

25 MR. WARNKEN: Great. So now we are going to go to A-7. What is A-7?

MR. COGAN: A-7 is also part of the typical 24 unit building. And what we are

3 showing here is what we are calling the rear 4

elevation, although I just explained the rear is 5

almost the same as the front. That is also as 6 7

you saw from the site plan with Mr. Zelina the buildings are facing parking. Parking is very

convenient located to each of the buildings. 9

Also up here in the upper corner is 10 11 a left side elevation and a right side elevation.

12 Again, this is a little bit hard to tell but you

can see with the double gable, there are ins and 13

outs in detail. We have different colored siding 14

15 than we do up on the regular portion of the 16

building, the main body and another lighter color

up at the top gable. Again we are trying to do 17 things that are, break it up, make the building 18

19 look very familiar.

20 MR. WARNKEN: Okay. And again you are trying to make it so the front and the back

22 look the same, feel the same, there is not a

23 colloquial back door?

MR. COGAN: That is correct.

MR. WARNKEN: So this is going to be

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A-8. Which building is this? 1

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2 MR. COGAN: This is a typical 12 unit building. It is more of the same. Same 4 material, same architectural language, in terms of some of the details. It is just a shorter 5 6 version. And again here we have just one of those entry porticos where you have all the entry 7

MR. WARNKEN: And all the buildings that are being designed all have that same direct entry? None of the buildings at all have a common entrance?

MR. COGAN: That's correct. There will be 88 or 89 doors.

15 MR. WARNKEN: So we are up to A-8. Can you explain what this exhibit is. Again this 16 is a color --17

18 MR. ROGOFF: Nine. That is A-9. 19

MR. WARNKEN: A-9, okay.

MR. COGAN: A-9 is a ground floor

plan, first floor plan of a typical 24 unit 21 building. For shading here this brownish color 22

here is our three bedroom units. The orange-ish 23

here, the far left are two bedroom units. The 24

yellow is a one bedroom unit.

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saying, in this area here, where I am pointing

to, this is where you are passing through the 3

columns where you have a little roof area and you 5

can enter into doors here that are on the front or you can enter into further in the courtyard

7 where you can enter into each one of your units.

8 MR. WARNKEN: And all these

9 buildings have automatic fire suppression 10 systems?

MR. COGAN: Absolutely, correct.

MR. WARNKEN: And the washers and dryers, how do they do them?

14 MR. COGAN: Yes, all washer and 15

dryers are within the units. There is no common 16 washer dryer laundry area. Every unit gets that. 17

MR. WARNKEN: Great.

MR. COGAN: I could go and show more of the other shorter buildings are the same exact

20 diagram, they are just smaller.

21 MR. WARNKEN: I am not sure if the 22 board would like that. How about the clubhouse?

MR. COGAN: Sure.

COUNCILMAN CHODKIEWICZ: I have a

25 question on the housing units. They are all

- See stairs, there is no elevators? 2 MR. COGAN: That's correct. 3 COUNCILMAN CHODKIEWICZ: So the 4 senior housing is --5 MR. COGAN: It is not senior housing. 6 7 MR. WARNKEN: This is affordable family. 8 COUNCILMAN CHODKIEWICZ: Affordable, 9 10 sorry. 11 MR. COGAN: But to your point, by 12 state building code all the ground floor units will be adaptable towards the accessibility code. 13 14 COUNCILMAN CHODKIEWICZ: Okay. 15 MEMBER OF THE AUDIENCE: The word is 16 adapted. 17 MR. ROGOFF: We can't have any 18 questions. Ma'am, it is not your turn yet. MR. WARNKEN: Mr. Cogan, can you 19 20 explain what adaptable means? 21 MR. COGAN: Yes, adaptable means 22 that the unit is designed with all of the 23 clearances that are required for full accessibility, door swings, distances between 24

is a need then a grab bar can be put in with ease. There are some other small things that are done to make it adaptable. 6 MR. WARNKEN: And before we get to 7 the clubhouse just one question on the 8 residential buildings, they all comply with the 9 height requirements? 10 MR. COGAN: Correct, they are all 11 three stories, yes. 12 So the community building is what I 13 am showing here now, I have four elevations of 14 the community building, A-10. 15 MR. WARNKEN: A-10. 16 MR. COGAN: And of which only the 17 front elevation is color rendered. It is a 1,750 18 square foot building, 50 feet wide, 35 feet deep. The front elevation here which is shown that 19 again is the same color from the residential 20 21 buildings, the siding, including the shake siding 22 up in the upper gable. Single standing metal 23 seam roof which is shown on the other building as 24 well. The gridded windows, columns, stone base 25 and pitched roofs. 68

all things like that. And you can provide

blocking behind a bathroom wall so that if there

67 MR. WARNKEN: And the intent of the 1 design of this was to blend in and mesh with the 3 residential units for a cohesive look? 4 MR. COGAN: Absolutely correct. On 5 the front elevation it is also important to show, it is shown kind of hidden here behind a tree, is 6 a 12 foot by 32 foot side porch, open air porch. 7 8 Then I'll go to the floor plan. It 9 is a single story building. 10 MR. WARNKEN: So this is A-11. 11 MR. COGAN: A-11 is the floor plan. 12 MR. WARNKEN: Just before we go, the 13 floor plans that we have marked as exhibits they 14 have color on them but again these are the same 15 floor plans that were part of the package of 16 submission? 17 MR. COGAN: That's correct. 18 This building here is a community 19 building, maybe more so than a clubhouse that we would be typically think of in other communities. 20 21 What is inside here, the main functions of it to

22 the left-hand side of the entry foyer are offices

24 maintain the facility, the community. There is

23 which are management offices by the applicant to

janitor storage. There are rest rooms. There is

doors, distances between countertops, showers,

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a small kitchenette that will be used in small doses when there is a larger gathering. And the primary function is a community room. Community 3 4 room is about 18 feet by 34 feet deep and they have programmed activities, meetings and such in 6 this room. 7 And there on the side is the covered 8 porch. 9 MR. WARNKEN: And the covered porch 10 is just for seating people? 11 MR. COGAN: Yes, and outside 12 activities, similar. 13 MR. WARNKEN: I don't think there is 14 anything else direct for the architect unless the board has questions. 15 16 CHAIRMAN TIGHE: That building has a 17 generator? 18 MR. COGAN: The building does have a 19 generator, yes, it does. 20 CHAIRMAN TIGHE: Ancillary generator in case there is loss of power? 21 22 MR. COGAN: That's correct. It will be intended to not light up everything, but it 23

will light up the foyer, the lobby, the

management offices and some street lights which

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4 are outside nearby. 2 CHAIRMAN TIGHE: What kind of noise 3 impact is that? MR. COGAN: It is a small unit, 40 4 kilowatt. Probably going to put off the sound of 5 6 65 decibels when tested. And testing will be up to the applicant, but often times we make 7 recommendations you test it maybe once a month 9 for a couple of minutes. 10 CHAIRMAN TIGHE: Okay. Thank you. 11 Any other questions for the 12 architect? If not... 13 MR. WARNKEN: As of now that is the 14 applicant's direct case. We reserve the right to 15 respond to questions from the board and 16 supplement the testimony. 17 MR. ROGOFF: Okay. CHAIRMAN TIGHE: Any questions? 18 19 COUNCIL WOMAN LEE: Not yet. 20 CHAIRMAN TIGHE: Before I open up to 21 the public. 22 Anybody from the public like to 23 speak? Come on up. 24 State your name and your address.

70 been duly sworn, testified as follows: 2 MS. APPELL: I have a question. I have a question and concern about the storm water 3 4 that is going to be running off, basically the environment. I think the gentleman from Maser says that there is existing piping that is already on Sayreville Boulevard. They are going 7 8 to be tapping into it? CHAIRMAN TIGHE: That is what he 9 10 said. 11 MS. APPELL: That was my 12 understanding? 13 MR. ZELINA: I just want to refer to exhibit A-3. Yes, the testimony is that the 14 current pattern of storm water runoff runs from 15 the south which is along Main Street to the north 16 to the wetlands and the river further to the north. There is currently a storm water 18 19 collection system installed within Sayreville Boulevard that outlets to the wetlands that 20 21 discharge, eventually flowed towards the river and the collection system on site will direct the 22 23 water in the same manner which it is directed 24 currently.

71 detention system so that the rate of runoff from 1 2 the site will be less after development than it 3 is currently before development based on all the 4 DEP standards and requirements for storm water 5 management. 6 MS. APPELL: Because my concern is I 7 live on Quaid Avenue. 8 MR. ZELINA: That is over to the 9 east. MS. APPELL: That is over to the 10 east. I can almost walk to Acapulco, to the area. 11 When I built my house back in the early '70's, my 12 property was not in a flood zone. When they 13 redid the Fema maps within the last ten years I 14 was put in a flood zone. I did suffer from 15 16 Sandy. 17 MR. ZELINA: That is Quaid Avenue. 18 MS. APPELL: Right. Right. I don't know where the water came from. I just know I 19 had four feet in my basement. 20 21 MR. ZELINA: During Sandy, you said.

MS. APPELL: First time in 40 years.

MS. APPELL: Yes. Prior to that,

when we had a hurricane, and I forget the

MR. ZELINA: During the Sandy event?

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25 SHARON A PPELL, 16 Quaid Avenue, having

hurricane, I was asked to evacuate my house because they said the river was rising. My answer to the person that asked me to evacuate, I said before I flood we have the pits over there, they have to fill in. Now you are going to be building in the pits. We call them the pits. 6 7 So my concern is, where Is all this water going to go if I already experience a water 8 damage and behind my neighbor's house you can 9 hear water running and she is, she backs up to 10 the blue area there. 11 12 MR. ZELINA: Right. And the blue 13 area is not a part of this development. 14 MS. APPELL: I know that but right 15 now on heavy rains there is always like a little 16 bit of a brook there. It is getting bigger and 17 bigger. And I have the storm drain in front of my house and it is constantly, constantly running water. So there is runoff coming from someplace. 19 20 Now you are going to be adding more to that. 21 MR. ZELINA: No, absolutely not. 22 Absolutely not. The storm water, our site's here in pink, our storm water currently flows in the 23 north direction to the northeast to the wetlands and to the river. But with our development we

We are providing for a storm water

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1 are going to continue to direct our runoff in that direction. It will not be directed to the 2 east towards Quaid Avenue where you are located. 3 There is significant land currently, and we 5 alluded to it earlier, about the amount of wetlands, flood plains, everything else 6 7 associated on this site. So I can't speak to what the issues are there, because we didn't explore anything on that side of the site. But 9 certainly within our development area we will not 10 impact any of the drainage issues or problems on 11 Quaid Avenue. 12 13

MR. WARNKEN: You are not going to direct any of our storm water onto Quaid Avenue. 14 MR. ZELINA: That's correct. MS. APPELL: The water doesn't come 17 from Quaid Avenue, it actually came to Brookside which is the next street over. So it actually

18 came in the back. I don't know where the water 19 20 came from, I just know there was a significant 21 amount of water that came in during Sandy.

23 do is take them at their word that they are relieving the water problem on their property.

CHAIRMAN TIGHE: Sharon, all we can

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MS. APPELL: My other concern was there is only going to be one way in and out, it is going to be the Sayreville Boulevard?

MR. ZELINA: That is correct.

4 5 MS. APPELL: What happens if the river does ever overflow, that area is going to 6 7 be completely cut off?

8 MR. ZELINA: I assume you are 9 correct.

10 MS. APPELL: So there won't be any 11 emergency vehicles going to be able to get in 12

there? MR. ZELINA: Based on our review of the current flood plain and we have applied to the DEP for flood hazard determination the land upon which we are developing and our access along

Sayreville Boulevard is not in a flood plain zone 17 or flood zone.

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MS. APPELL: All right. My other question is you are saying there is going to be security there. Is that going to be paid by somebody or is that going to become the burden of

23 the police department?

24 MR. WARNKEN: I am not sure --25 MS. APPELL: In the clubhouse. Is 1 though?

2 CHAIRMAN TIGHE: Putting it back in the sewer system that will go out to the north

4 into the river and everything. If it is into the

river and comes back down Brookside Avenue, they 5 6

are not responsible for it. 7

MR. CORNELL: Mr. Chairman, if I

8 might. The Borough has design standards for new 9 construction and storm water requirements. We

had a 10 page report of technical comments, five 10

11 of those pages has to do with his design. So we

have some concerns about how it is designed. So 12 eventually before final approval is granted he 13

14 will have to demonstrate compliance, Borough

15 compliance.

16 In addition to that, there are 17 outside agency approvals, namely the DEP. He has

to get permits from the DEP to be able to develop 18

19 this property. So there is a lot of work they 20 still have to do to demonstrate that they are

21 meeting both the Borough and state requirements

22 for storm water that is associated with this new

23 development. That is going to have to be

24 addressed before final approval can be granted

25 and they can do any construction on the property.

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there going to be security in there for the

2 clubhouse?

3 MR. WARNKEN: I don't think there 4

was any testimony with respect to security in the 5 clubhouse. They are going to have, the clubhouse

is going to be staffed during the day. 6

7 MS. APPELL: In the complex, is

8 there going to be a security guard or anything in 9 there?

10 MR. WARNKEN: There is going to be 11

an office staff and there is going to be a

superintendent on site. 12 13

MS. APPELL: Okay. All right. And as far as the lighting goes, they were talking 14

about the one candle or whatever versus a half a 15

16 candle. I know myself, again living on Quaid

17 Avenue, it is a very dark street, they put a very

bright light. I love it because I feel very 18

safe. I would rather see more lighting than less 19

lighting. If there is a problem, I am just 20

looking for on security basis. 21 22

And with regard to the trees, you

23 are going from 1,732 trees to 170 something I believe it was. 24

MR. WARNKEN: And I guess we agreed

1 we don't know the exact number right now because 2 it is going to be determined between now and final and we adreed to work with the Borough 3 between now and final and have a more definitive answer when we come back with the final application.

5 6 7 CHAIRMAN TIGHE: Sharon, after negotiation they will have to come up with a 8 number of what they are going to pay for, what 9 10 they are going to plant, where they are going to 11 put them. Of if they are going to put, the town 12 has what they call a tree bank. Then they would 13 have to make a monetary contribution to the tree bank. So those trees are not going away, even 14 15 though they are going away, they are accounted for and they have to be accounted for later on. 16 17 We took that waiver off because the 18 engineer gave me the indication that we want to 19 talk specifics when that happens. So we want, 20 when they come back for final, they are going to

21 have to tell us exactly what they are going to, 22 how they are going to do it and how they are 23 going to comply with the Borough ordinances. 24 MS. APPELL: Is there going to be a 25 meeting when they come back for final?

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2 MR. ROGOFF: Comment by who, you? 3 MR. WARNKEN: No by the public. 4 MR. ROGOFF: This is the public

portion. They are going to make their comments, 5 6 ask questions.

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every unit.

MR. WARNKEN: That's fine. Just 8 making sure.

9 CHAIRMAN TIGHE: Who are you? PAUL DE SARNO, having been duly sworn, 10 11 testified as follows:

MR. DE SARNO: So I am from 451 Main Street. Which is that one lot that juts out a little more than the rest of them. I know there were other people across the street from me who couldn't make it tonight. You may know him, he is a former marine, never a former marine but he is a marine, flies the flag, he was very upset about the whole thing.

However, I noted, let's see a couple of things, number one, which really came in last to me, but you have no accessibility for handicap people to have affordable houses there. You say it is adaptable or something. I saw stairs on

78 CHAIRMAN TIGHE: Oh yes. Yes. This is only the preliminary. The reason we are doing 3 this is because they have some constraints to get all their money tied up before September. We granted them this with all of this up in the air 6 in good faith. But if they come back here and 7 they don't produce everything that they said they 8 were going to do, then we have a problem. 9 MS. APPELL: Okay. All right. Well like I said my concern was water because I have 10 11 been there, lived through it. 12 CHAIRMAN TIGHE: Unfortunately it is 13 not going to get any better either. 14 MS. APPELL: Thank you. 15 CHAIRMAN TIGHE: Anybody else from 16 the public? 17 Mr. DeSarno. 18 MR. WARNKEN: And just for 19 clarification, for the record purposes, these are questions and there is comments afterwards just 20 21 so we have the procedure correct? 22 MR. ROGOFF: What do you mean?

80 1 MR. WARNKEN: Not the first floor. 2 MR. DE SARNO: So the first floor

the public. Is this for questions and then a

section for comments afterwards because typically

MR. WARNKEN: It has been open to

3 you can roll right in with no ramping, no 4

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5 MR. WARNKEN: I'll let the architect address that.

7 MR. COGAN: That is correct. 30 of the units are ground level -- 30 of the units are 9 accessible directly flush right from the parking.

MR. DE SARNO: Of those 30 units how 11 many are one bedroom, two bedroom, three bedroom?

12 MR. COGAN: I don't have that number 13 right off the top. I can give it to you in a few

14 minutes.

MR. DE SARNO: But there is a mix.

MR. COGAN: Yes, there is.

17 MR. DE SARNO: But inside you have 18 to do adaptable things, you have to add rails,

19 showers?

20 MR. COGAN: Showers. Primarily it 21

is about spacial requirements. 22 MR. DE SARNO: I noticed on the, I 23

forget which one it was but one of your plans has 24 the yellow markings where you can build and the

25 green where you can't build. Can you put that

one back up for me for a second. No. 2 Looks like you have some options to move a couple of things around if you wanted to. 3 4 I am not sure that you do. MR. ROGOFF: Do you know which 5 6 exhibit it is, sir? Exhibit A-5. 7 MR. DE SARNO: So on exhibit A-5 we are looking at and I am thinking about the people 8 9 on Main Street, me being one of them hopefully soon, we have crowded down in that area the 10 public accessible things, the tot lot, your 11 clubhouse or meeting house, whatever it is 12 called, which side of that has that outdoor 13 component to it? 14 15 MR. ZELINA: The outdoor porch, on 16 the side? 17 MR. DE SARNO: Yes. Is that on that 18 side? 19 MR. ZELINA: Yes. 20 MR. DE SARNO: So that would be --21 MR. ZELINA: The west side. 22 MR. DE SARNO: And then there is a tot lot which I haven't heard any real 23 description of that. Is that just an open field 24

what is that? 2 MR. ZELINA: No, there will be 3 equipment for children to play on. It hasn't been designed yet. That will be part of our A. 5 final. R MR. DE SARNO: And that is directly 7 adjacent to the families on Main Street now, 8 correct, with the buffer? MR. ZELINA: With the buffer and 9 approximately 12 foot change in grade. When we 10 graded the initial plan this, it was a retaining 11 12 wall, a good slope from the existing properties 13 there. So we feel that the enhanced buffer, or the full width buffer, the change in grade, the 14 slope, whatnot, and the fence, the privacy fence 15 being placed along the property line, there will 16 17 be adequate buffering and screening. 18 MR. DE SARNO: And you think that is the safest place to put that tot lot? 19 20 MR. ZELINA: We have had to accommodate a lot of things in the site, severely 21 environmentally constrained site. So we came up 22 23 with what we think is a pretty good design, it

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MR. ZELINA: We definitely do. One of the requirements would be to be in close proximity to the community center or community house there so it does belong there.

where you can throw the kids in a fenced area or

6 MR. DE SARNO: This area that is at 7 the entranceway, you've chose not to put anything there, any reason for that, some of the other 8 things that can go there? The third item would 9 10 be the dumpster that is right on the corner at the bottom of the property, the southwest corner. 11

MR. ZELINA: That's correct.

MR. DE SARNO: Have you thought

about any other place you could put that as opposed to being nearest to the people who are already there on Main Street?

MR. ZELINA: We most certainly have. Again it is masonry dumpster enclosure, screened enclosure in excess of 75 feet from the property

line and at a significant grade below it. The 20 21 impact, I don't think it will in any way impact

22 any of the residents that are fronting on Main 23 Street.

24 MR. DE SARNO: All right. To add my voice to the young lady that spoke ahead of me, I

think that more lighting is better especially in

MR. WARNKEN: You meet the buffers

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this kind of environment. I like the fact you

don't have any common hallways, that is a nice 3

4 touch. I like the fact that you gave back the

buffer that you were asking for a variance on for 5

6 us. I don't think anybody is going to mind a buffer of, a reduced buffer along the high 7

tension wires but the attractive nuisance in the 8

9 area is little Acapulco and you are going to have

10 issues with regard to that I think ultimately.

The other thing this, was all just open space, there was vegetation, there was dirt,

13 it was various things there. And before your

development, the ground was absorbing a lot more 14

water than after. Now it is going to be runoff. 15

16 It is going to run off from paved areas where

cars are parked. And it is low income housing, 17 18

there may be some cars totally not up to snuff, 19 maybe some leaking oil. So you are going to

have, even with the best parking lot you are

21 going to have dirty water running off that

22 development, right? 23

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MR. ZELINA: You could say that.

You can assume that, for instance. However, part 25 of our storm water management system includes

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storm water treatment devices and we also have a 1 storm water management plan where the collection 2 system and devices have to be maintained. So

4 there are three filters being provided to clean

5 the water before it is discharged to the

6 collection system off site and there is a

7 maintenance plan that has to be maintained by the

owner of this property and what is unique or what

is good about this property it is being operated 9

10 by a single owner. It is not a condominium

association which may have difficulty being 11

maintained where in this instance we have a very 12 13

responsible owner, owns the property and I would

believe would maintain the storm water collection 14

system as well as the storm water filters so we 15 won't have any issue with any unclean storm water 16

discharging from the site. 17

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MR. DE SARNO: Good to know. Thank you very much. That is all I have.

20 CHAIRMAN TIGHE: Chester. Mr. Zach,

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23 CHESTER | PRZYBILKO, having been

24 duly sworn testified as follows: 25

MR. PRZYBILKO: Chester Przybilko.

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MR. WARNKEN: There is a

superintendent on site who can help coordinate

3 that.

MR. ZELINA: Absolutely.

5 MR. PRZYBILKO: Are there any laws

or ordinances on when garbage pick up can be

picked up? You don't know?

CHAIRMAN TIGHE: No. But when we get down to the final we can ask to make it like 11:00 or not before 10:00. So you are not, your concern is somebody coming at 6:30 in the morning

and waking you up.

MR. PRZYBILKO: 3:00 in the morning,

14 yes.

MR. ZELINA: Keep in mind this is a residential development. It is not commercial development where that could be more common. There will be residents living here that have

19 concerns.

> MR. WARNKEN: Mark, isn't it typical that they will do commercial sites first and then

22 come to the residential sites? 23

MR. ZELINA: That has been my experience. Obviously it is important for the

commercial. We don't have to get into it. But, 25

503 Main Street.

I just have a couple comments. I

3 want to thank the board and the developers for

1 extending that 50 foot buffer. I thought that

5 was very important. I also have a little bit of

a concern with the dumpster on the south side.

As far as when is that going to be picked up and 7

how big are they? We don't want a lot of over

flow and waste and then are they going to be 9 picked up mid-morning or during the normal 10

working hours? Because those dumpsters can make 11

12 a lot of noise being picked up. That would

13 impact some of the close residents there.

14 MR. ZELINA: First of all, it will

15 be a private carting service so it can be 16

scheduled appropriately. Let's say it starts 17 out, until it is fully occupied maybe pick up

18 might be twice a week. But then it will be based

on the need. They can schedule with a private 19

carter on a schedule that is needed based on the 20

21 amount of trash or recyclables that are placed

22 there. It is premature to say what the schedule

23 would be at this time. That is something that

certainly can be worked out or tested at a later 24

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yeah, we understand your concern. It is a

residential development where the residents would

3 have the same issues you do. So I think you will

4 be accommodated as this thing moves forward. 5

MR. DE SARNO: Next question is about the fence. What type of fence would be in

7 that buffer zone and who is going to maintain it 8

in ten years?

MR. ZELINA: The owner of this property will be responsible for maintaining the

11 fence. Right now it would be a solid fence. I

don't believe we settled on the material at this point in time. The idea is to provide a solid 13

14 screening fence so as to help alleviate any of

15 the noise from the dumpster or any visual impacts

16 from the lighting or things like that.

CHAIRMAN TIGHE: I think on your

18 plan it says six foot vinyl board on board. 19 MR. ZELINA: That was the intent,

20 the six foot solid.

21 CHAIRMAN TIGHE: And that is what we are asking everybody to do in town to do any way, 22

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24 product.

MR. PRZYBILKO: Last point that I

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1 don't know the gentleman's name brought up, but in regards to the applicant for waivers of approvals, variances, exceptions, and to be 3 brought up again later so nobody gets a blank 4 check, I think that is perfect. This way we know 5 6 what is going on with everybody. 7 CHAIRMAN TIGHE: That's right. 8 MR. ROGOFF: We will be addressing

9 the buffer variances tonight. 10

MR. PRZYBILKO: Thank you. 11 CHAIRMAN TIGHE: Mr. Zach. 12 MR. ZACH: My name is Alvin Zach. I

am here in response to a letter I received at 465 13 14 Main Street concerning this development. 15

16 ALVIN ZACH, having been duly affirmed, 17 testified as follows:

18 MR. ZACH: I heard some talk about 19 revised drawings. Are these the same drawings 20 that were downstairs in the planning board for 21 the July 14th meeting?

22 MR. ZELINA: The plan that was submitted and was downstairs was part of our 23 24 presentation. It is illustrated in exhibit A-2.

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MR. ZACH: I understand that. My 2 problem that I have with that is, if your notice 3 said revised drawings the public could have gone 4 to look at the revised drawings and show up 5 tonight being more informed on what is being 6 discussed and presented.

MR. WARNKEN: What we are saying is 8 these revised drawings were not submitted into 9 the planning board. They were brought here this 10 evening to address a comment from the planning 11 board. We have briefly discussed it with the 12 board engineer so we could take a look at it prior to that. But the applicant has the right to address the comments made from the board and to the board's professionals at the hearing which is what we are doing.

MR. ZACH: I think the public has the right to see those before the hearing.

MR. ZELINA: If you will, right now we here only for preliminary approval. We have to appear back before this board for final approval. At which time we will provide not only the revisions, the engineering of this particular plan but also response to all of the comments

that have been raised by the planning engineer.

version of that plan.

2 MR. ZACH: My concern is the notifications that I received didn't say anything 3 about revised drawings.

5 MR. ZELINA: That is absolutely 6 correct. What happened is we were --

7 MR. WARNKEN: In response to

8 comments we received from the planning board with respect to review letters we looked at the plan 9

10 to see if we could modify it to respect the required buffer between this project and the 11

12 residents along Main Street. 13

We have brought this revised plan with us this evening to show you how we can do that. We would be, as a condition of approval, we would submit in these revised sets for the board professionals to confirm what we are telling them is the case.

We presented, brought it here this evening so when we were explaining what we could do in response to the board's comments graphically depict what we were proposing to do

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it and we thought it would be beneficial to have 25

it with us.

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1 MR. ZACH: I just think there is a 2 fault in the notification process.

3 MR. ROGOFF: Sir, if I can have just 4 a moment of your time.

MR. ZACH: I am sorry?

6 MR. ROGOFF: If I could just address 7 your concerns about the notice you raised. It is 8 not unusual for applicants to come in with plan A

9 and based upon comments either by the board or

the public make modifications the very evening of 10

11 the meeting where you don't even get a chance to

look at a revised plan. 12

13 In this case the revision that is 14 before you is true it was not on file ten days 15 before the meeting. However, is to address

16 specific concerns that were made in the

17 professional reports that raised the issue of the buffer along Main Street that we are here to 18

19 address tonight. This is a preliminary approval.

There will be another opportunity for you to see 20 21 those plans at the final. So I don't think there

22 is any legal problem with the manner in which

this is being presented. It is not a major 23

provision. It is confined to that area over on

Main Street. So I am confident that the public

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notice requirements that the applicant has made in this case and the effort they are making 3 tonight to explain the issues that were raised is 4 adequate. 5 MR. ZACH: Okay. A couple other questions. Can you bring up the plan. 6 MR. ZELINA: I am not sure what plan 7 8 you are speaking to. 9 MR. ZACH: Is this the drainage pitch from Main Street? 10 11 MR. ZELINA: Yes, it is. 12 MR. ZACH: Is the plan to pipe that 13 or not pipe that? 14 MR. ZELINA: No, it will continue as an open ditch to the wetlands that you see in the 15 16 dark green area. We are not touching that. MR. ZACH: Wouldn't it better serve 17 18 the Borough if that was piped to the back of the property line on Main Street. Question. 19 20 CHAIRMAN TIGHE: We'll have our 21 engineer look at it.

wetlands, I would suggest the board consider 16 creating conservation easements and wetlands 17 easements across those properties so they can't 18 be used later. We all know eventually they are 19 going to be dry wetlands and then somebody is 20 going to come in and say "well that is all dried 21 up, we are going to build on here." So my suggestion to the board is that you consider that 23 on a more permanent basis, with a conservation

partial wetlands, right, this area, partial

MR. CORNELL: Right, but it is

MR. ZACH: You are only piping it

CHAIRMAN TIGHE: We understand.

The area up here, area over here,

considered a wetland area. There may be

difficulties with the state allowing permits to

right to there, to the depth of the property.

be granted to that to have it piped to the back.

You end up protecting the two properties that are

there, the abutting property owners. They are

not my properties, all right. I understand that.

MR. ZACH: Just point of

that. That is certainly a point of discussion as we move forward with final. That we have no 3 objection. 4

MR. CORNELL: There might be issues

MR. ZACH: Right now it is an open

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MR. ZACH: Lastly with relationship to the variances and what is being considered deminimus changes, I find it very striking that

Borough council spent two or three years 7

developing these plans, planning board looked at

them I presume at some point and approved them

and now you have a developer coming in and 10

already looking to get variances. I respect his 11

right to apply for a variance, law provides for 12

13 that. But it would seem to me that with all of

the effort that the Borough council and the board 14

15 and everyone else put into this to be granting

variances at this point really makes no sense 16

17 whatsoever to me. This is not a not for profit

developer. This is a developer who is going to 18

make a profit on this project. And you know if

you are trying to be kind to him and save them 20

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money, I don't think that is in the Borough's

22 best interest. I think you are going to set

23 yourselves a precedent if you make those changes

24 now. Everybody is going to come in and say I

want the same thing. I don't want one foot

candle, I want a half a foot candle. You gave it

to him, give it to me. I think those are issues

you as board members need to consider when you

deliberate on this matter. Thank you.

easement and a wetland easement.

CHAIRMAN TIGHE: Thank you.

6 Anybody else from the public like to

7 speak?

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speak? If not I will make a motion to close the 10

public portion.

COUNCIL WOMAN LEE: I'll make that

MR. ZELINA: We have no objection to

12 motion.

COUNCILMAN CHODKIEWICZ: Second.

CHAIRMAN TIGHE: All in favor?

COUNCILMAN CHODKIEWICZ: Aye.

COUNCILMAN KELLY: Aye.

COUNCIL WOMAN O'LEARY: Aye.

COUNCIL WOMAN LEE: Ave.

COUNCILMAN DAVIS: Ave.

CHAIRMAN TIGHE: Ave.

Any other questions?

MR. CORNELL: Mr. Chairman, just one

comment. I had a discussion with the engineer

just procedurally if the board is going to act

favorably on the application, the redevelopers 25

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agreement requires SERA's concurrence when plans are submitted. The plans that were initially

submitted went through the SERA process phase.

4 Signed off on it. SERA did not review the

revised plans with regard to the 50 foot buffer.

6 I am sure they are not going to have an issue

with it. I think it should be a condition that

they get SERA's approval before they come back

9 for final.

MR. WARNKEN: No problem what so

11 ever.

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MR. ROGOFF: Do you agree with that

13 condition?

14 MR. WARNKEN: Yes we do. 15

MR. ROGOFF: Just to highlight one

16 other thing, that is that it is referred to not

only my memo but Mr. Cornell's August 21, 2019 17

review memo that the applicant's going to, as a 18

condition of approval, the boundaries of the 19

20 affordable housing zone as contained in the

21 redevelopment plan are not consistent with the

22 newly created block 175, lot 10.01, now includes

23 property zoned for both affordable housing

residential uses. This issue was reviewed by me

and I prepared that memo dated August 2. And you

agreed to comply with that. 2 3

MR. WARNKEN: Correct.

CHAIRMAN TIGHE: Mr. Cornell, could

4 you summarize all the engineering aspects of

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MR. CORNELL: I have a lengthy

7 report. In there were some recommended

8 conditions. I'll just run through those quickly

9 for you.

10 The first would be perfection of the

approval for the minor subdivision that was 11

granted by SERA. They still have to go through 12

13 and file deed so a condition of this application

would be that SERA perfects that previously 14

15 granted subdivision.

Also as I just mentioned SERA would

have to go through and approve the revised plans 17

18 that show the alternate layout for the 50 foot

buffer. As Mr. Rogoff just indicated River Road 19

development plan would have to be amended so the 20

boundaries of the affordable housing zone 21

correspond with the boundaries of the property 22

23 based on the recent subdivision. You are only

going to be granting preliminary major site plan 24

25 approval. No construction will be allowed.

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Applicant will have to come back and get final 1

approval at that time. Any waivers or further

variances can be discussed by the board. 3

4 You will be required to comply with the conditions that were contained in the 5

technical review and our report dated August 21, 6

7 as well as the items contained in Mr.

Leoncavallo's August 19th report. 8

And also the affordable housing zone

has a specific requirement for the types of 10

units. It is 50 percent low income, 13 percent 11

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of which are supposed to be very low income, and 13

50 percent moderate income. I believe the applicant comply with that requirement but that 14

would be a condition they would have to comply 15

with those requirements for the type of housing 16 17

to be constructed on the property.

MR. WARNKEN: Yes, we do.

MR. CORNELL: That is it, Mr.

20 Chairman.

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CHAIRMAN TIGHE: You've heard the

summarization of the tonight's proceedings. What 22

23 is your pleasure, Board?

COUNCILMAN CHODKIEWICZ: I'll make

25 that motion that we grant preliminary site approval in accordance with the conditions that

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2 Jay outlined and that SERA approval also.

3 COUNCIL WOMAN LEE: Second.

4 CHAIRMAN TIGHE: Roll call.

MS. MAGNANI: Mr. Chodkiewicz.

MR. CHODKIEWICZ: Yes.

7 MS. MAGNANI: Mr. Davis.

MR. DAVIS: Yes.

9 MS. MAGNANI: Mr. Kelly.

10 MR. KELLY: Yes.

11 MS. MAGNANI: Miss Lee.

12 MS. LEE: Yes.

MS. MAGNANI: Miss O'Leary.

14 MS. O'LEARY: Yes.

MS. MAGNANI: Chairman Tighe.

CHAIRMAN TIGHE: Yes.

MS. MAGNANI: Application granted.

MR. WARNKEN: Thank you very much.

CHAIRMAN TIGHE: Public portion.

MR. ROGOFF: Counselor, I want to

make sure that the court reporter gets the

22 transcript to the secretary. If it is

electronic, just e-mail it to me directly. 23

MS. APPELL: Sharon Appell, 16 Quaid

Avenue. With this application, is this going to 25

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	10	CH	AIRMAN TIGHE: All in favor.
	11	CO	UNCILMAN CHODKIEWICZ: Aye.
	12		UNCILMAN DAVIS: Aye.
	13	CO	UNCILMAN KELLY: Aye.
-	14		UNCIL WOMAN LEE: Aye.
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CERTIFICATE.

3 I, BETH J. SPINNER, a Certified 4 Shorthand Reporter, Registered Professional 5 Reporter, and Notary Public of the State of New 6 Jersey do hereby certify that prior to the 7 commencement of the examination the witness 8 and/or witnesses were sworn to testify the truth, 9 the whole truth, and nothing but the truth. 10

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