

PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION MEETING Tuesday, January 24, 2023 • 7:00 p.m. West Branch City Council Chambers, 110 N. Poplar St.

Council Quorum May Be Present

https://zoom.us/j/829677991 or

dial in phone number 1-312-626-6799 with Meeting ID 829 677 991

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Roll Call
- 3. Approve Agenda/Move to action.
 - a. Approve minutes from the October 25, 2022, Planning & Zoning Commission meeting.
- 4. Public Hearing/Non-Consent Agenda. /Move to action.
 - a. Nominate ______ for Chairperson for the Planning & Zoning Commission for 2023. /Move to action.
 - b. Nominate ______ for Vice Chairperson for the Planning & Zoning Commission for 2023. / Move to action.
 - c. Nominate ______ for Secretary for the Planning & Zoning Commission for 2023. / Move to action.
 - d. Review / Approve The Meadows Part 3 Subdivision Preliminary Plat. / Move to action.
 - e. Consider and approve a one-year extension regarding Parkside Hills, Lot 11 Site Plan (per Chapter 167.09 Validity of Approval) and recommend forwarding to City Council. / Move to action.
 - f. Review / Approve The Meadows Part 5 Subdivision Final Plat. / Move to action.
 - g. Review suggested Code update establishing Front Setback Coverage
 - h. Review suggested Code update defining Parking space
- 5. Old Business
 - a. Sign requirements for HCI District. (Terry Goerdt)
 - b. Building design standards
 - c. Tree standards
- 6. Discussion
 - a. Other developer requests
 - b. City Budget challenges
 - c. Capital Improvement Plan progress
 - d. City Councils Strategic Goals for 2023 and beyond
- 7. City Staff Reports
- 8. Comments from Chair and Commission Members.

9. Next regular Planning & Zoning Commission meeting Tuesday, February 28, 2023.

10. Adjourn

Mayor: Roger Laughlin · Council Members: Colton Miller, Nick Goodweiler, Jodee Stoolman, Jerry Sexton, Tom Dean City Administrator: Adam Kofoed City Clerk: Leslie Brick · Fire Chief: Kevin Stoolman · Police Chief: John Hanna · Public Works Director: Matt Goodale (These minutes are not approved until the next Commission meeting.)

City of West Branch Planning & Zoning Commission Meeting October 25, 2022 West Branch City Council Chambers, 110 North Poplar Street

Call to Order

Meeting was called to order at 7:00pm by Chairperson John Fuller

Roll Call

John Fuller, Ryan Bowers, Matt Van Scoyoc, and Jim Hoffman. Brad Bower was excused absent. Sally Peck was absent.

Staff and Council present: Zoning Administrator Terry Goerdt, City Administrator Adam Kofoed, and AV Jamie Tucker.

Developers present: Chad Keune Advantage Development

Approve Agenda/Move to action.

Motion to approve by Bowers, seconded by Hoffman. Motion passes 4-0

Public Hearing/Non-Consent Agenda. /Move to action.

Motion to approve minutes from the September 27, 2022 Planning & Zoning Commission meeting made by Van Scoyoc, seconded by Bowers. Motion p

Old Business

Design standard discussion

Motion to approve accessory rental unit ordinance made by Hoffman, seconded by Bowers. Motion passes 4-0.

Comments on parking minimum requirement flexibility. Chairperson Fuller wants to see more language on voting criteria, shared parking agreements, and developers to explain rationale for parking spot reductions.

Landscape requirements discussion. Discussions took place on tree ordinance such as two trees in the front at 2.5" trunks and one tree in the back. 10-foot spacing minimum was mentioned. Goerdt mentioned the possibility of trees being enforced through Subdivider's agreements.

City Staff Reports

Strategic planning questionnaire.

Most common items were:

School safety and sidewalks along Cedar Johnson Co. road

Update city's zoning map.

Development standards and minimum packet expectations.

Improved communications between council and zoning commission.

Support infill, low income housing developments, and finishing current development projects.

Catch up on infrastructure needs. Encourage connectivity in areas of growth. Encourage trail and sidewalks connectivity Establish a Main St. road replacement plan. Attract more commercial businesses to town. Update the comprehensive plan and consider a special census.

Next regular Planning & Zoning Commission meeting Tuesday, November 22, 2022.

<u>Adjourn</u>

Motion to adjourn by Bowers, seconded by Hoffman. Motion passes 4-0.



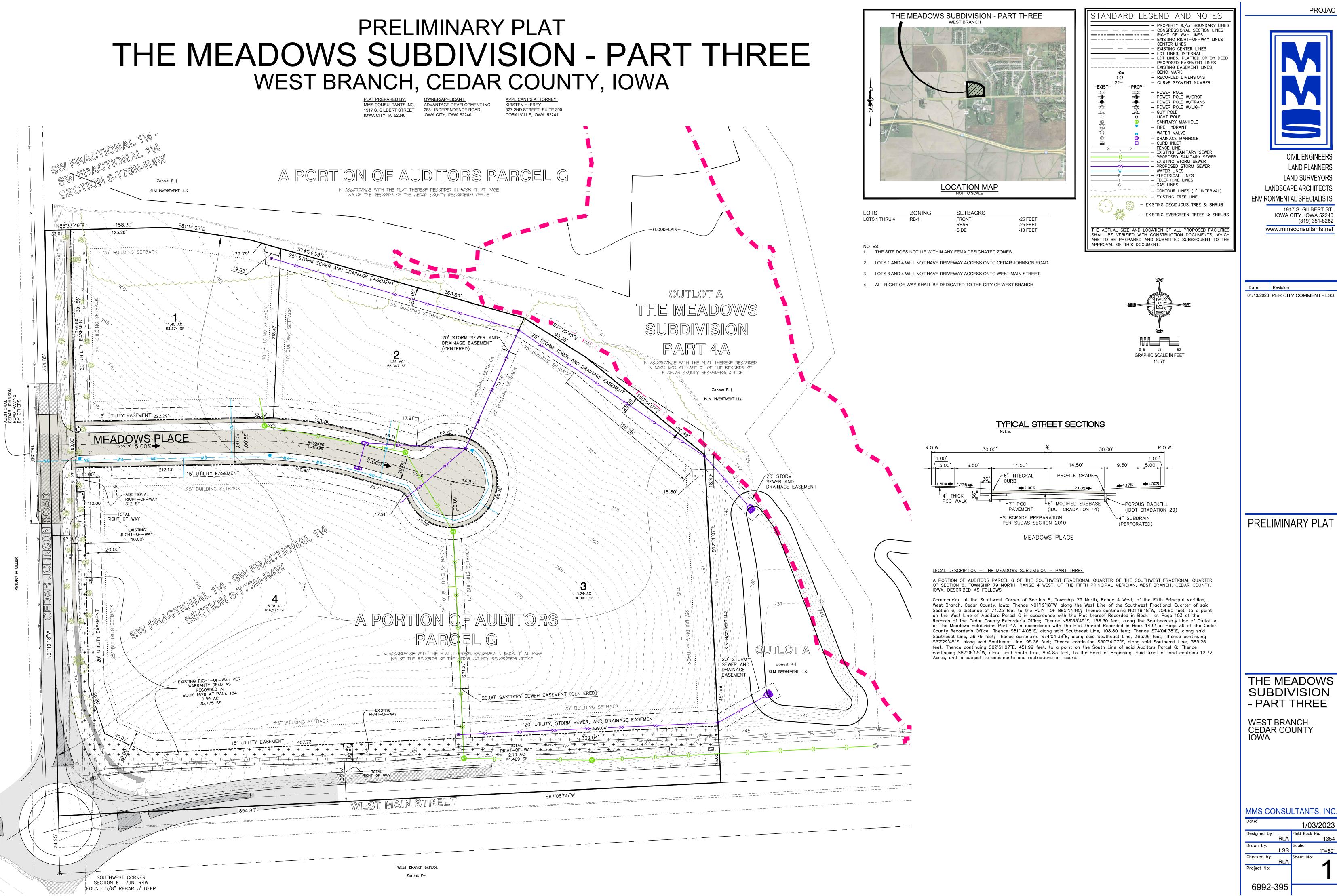
MEETING DATE:	January 24, 2023
AGENDA ITEM:	Review / Approve The Meadows Part 3 Preliminary Plat. / Move to action.
PREPARED BY:	City Clerk, Leslie Brick
DATE:	January 17, 2023

BACKGROUND:

Staff met with developer Chad Kuene to discuss and review the preliminary plat submission. The following comments were made:

- 1) Sidewalks are to be constructed along Cedar-Johnson Rd from Meadows Place to West Main Street where the sidewalk will cross at the entrance of the roundabout to the south side of West Main Street. Kuene will also grade for a sidewalk from Meadows Place to the north end of the property line.
- 2) Meadows Place will be a public street and street lighting will be added and shown on the final plat. Street width is 29', here will be no on-street parking. Fire truck turn exhibit is included. Fire Chief Stoolman has no concerns.
- 3) Kuene will be doing an auditor's parcel at the northeast corner of the property and giving it back to KLM Investments (aka The Meadows Development Inc.) due to drainage issues on the property. All parties are in agreement with this item.

Kuene is seeking approval of the preliminary plat so that work can commence with the roundabout project.

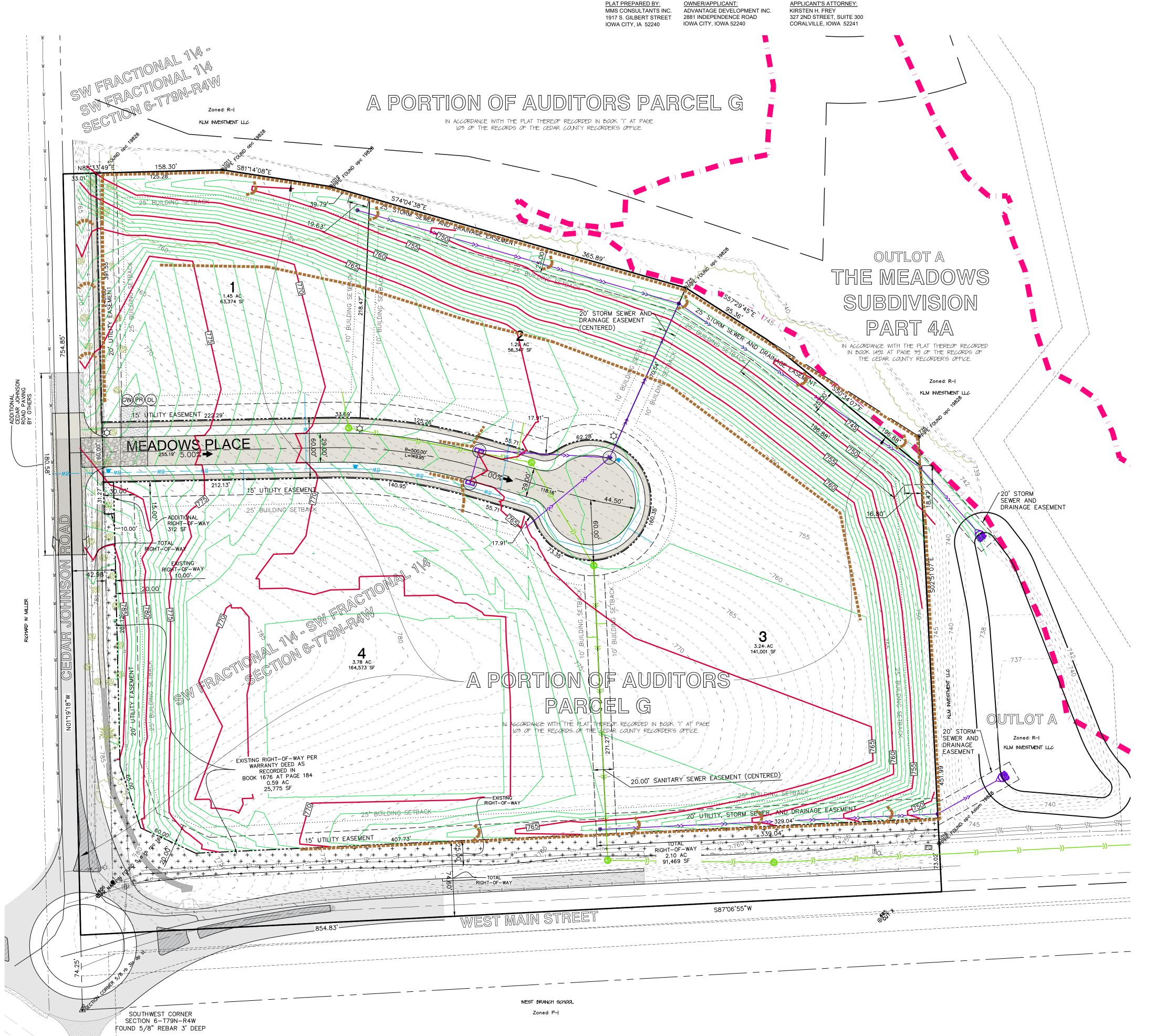


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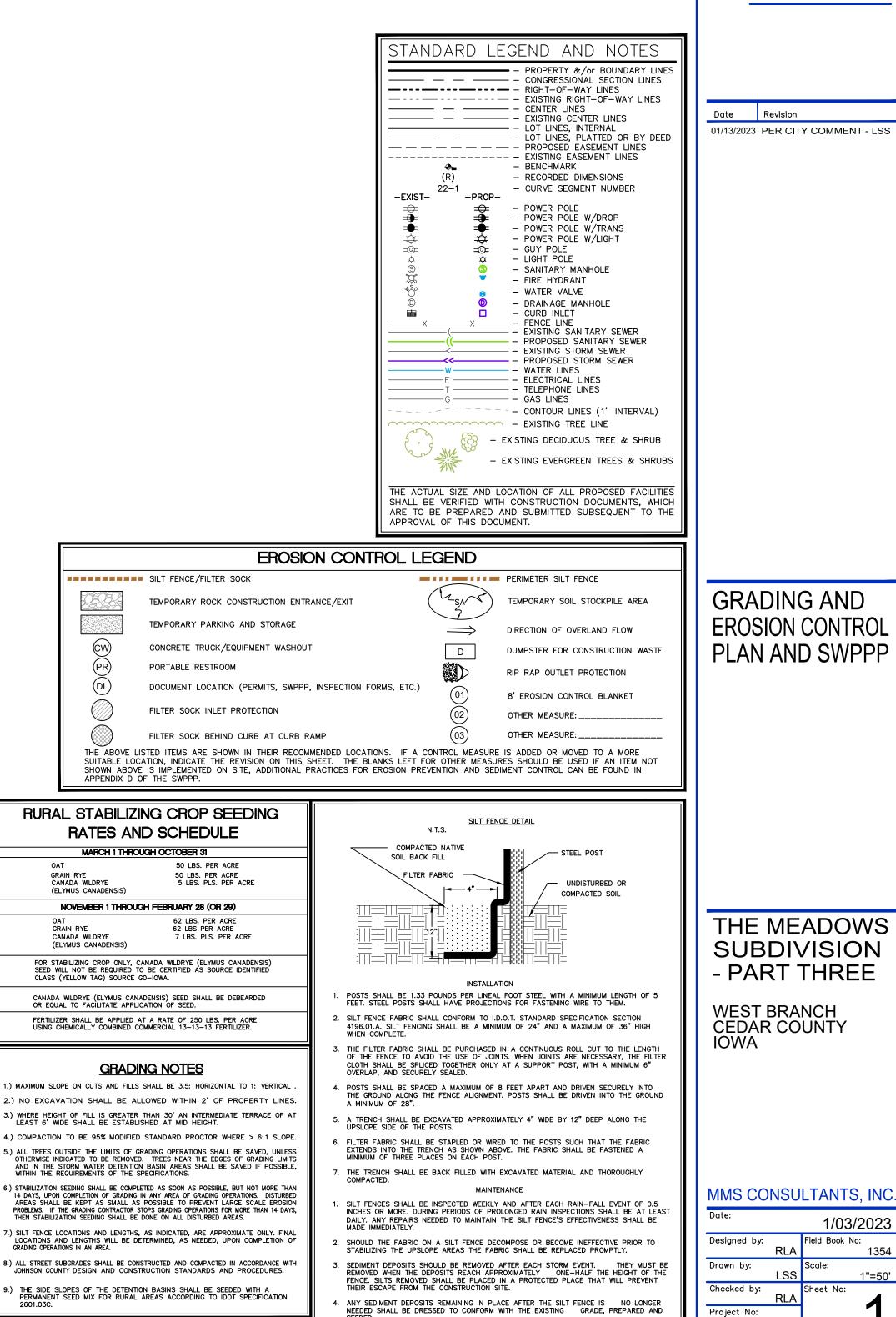
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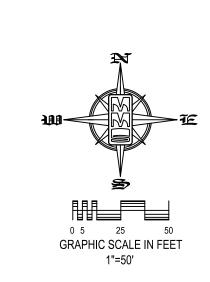


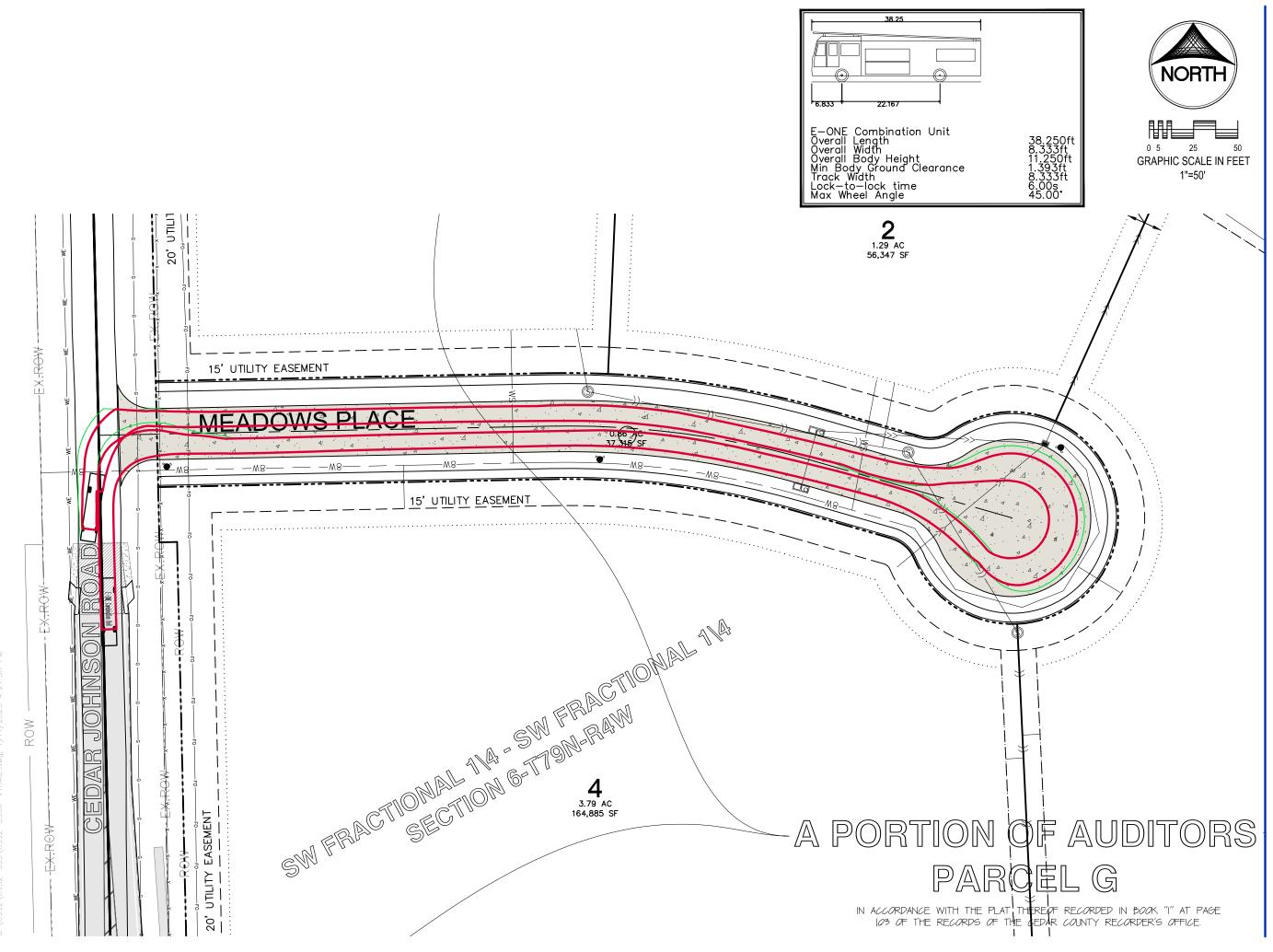
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MEETING DATE:	January 24, 2023
AGENDA ITEM:	Consider and approve a one-year extension regarding Parkside Hills, Lot 11 Site Plan (per Chapter 167.09- Validity of Approval) and recommend forwarding to the City Council. / Move to action.
PREPARED BY: DATE:	City Clerk, Leslie Brick January 17, 2023

BACKGROUND:

We reviewed our Site Plan Requirements in the Code, per Chapter 167.09 site plans are valid for one year from date of City Council approval.

Parkside Hills – Lot 11 (planned for 2 / 12 units)

Lot 11 Site Plan – approved by P&Z 10/12/2021 Lot 11 Site Plan – approved by City Council 11/15/2021

167.09 VALIDITY OF APPROVAL.

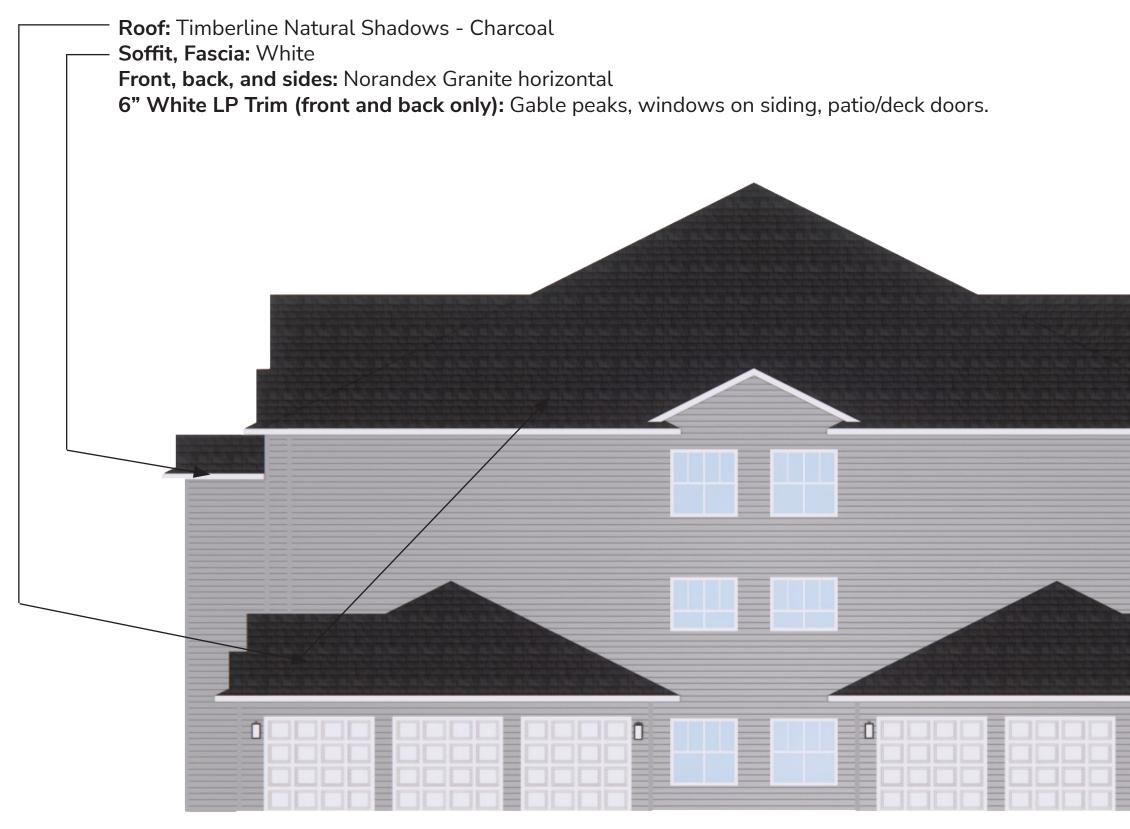
1. A site plan shall become effective upon certification of approval by the City Council. 2. The City Council approval of any site plan required by this chapter shall remain valid for one year allowing one-year extension with approval of City Council upon recommendation of the Commission after the date of approval, after which time the site plan shall be deemed null and void if the development has not been established or actual construction commenced. For the purpose of this chapter "actual construction" shall mean that the permanent placement of construction materials has started and is proceeding without undue delay. Preparation of plans, securing financial arrangements, issuance of building permits, letting of contracts, grading of property, or stockpiling of materials on the site shall not constitute actual construction.

The Developer, Chad Kuene is requesting a one- year extension as construction is expected to begin in 2023. Based on availability of certain materials, colors will be slightly different than the original proposed concept. (samples are attached.)

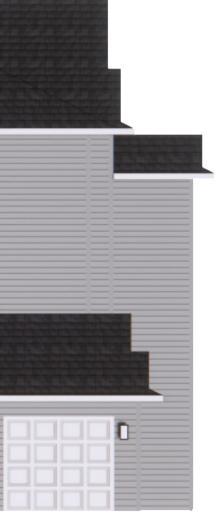


Front and Back elevations





Side elevations







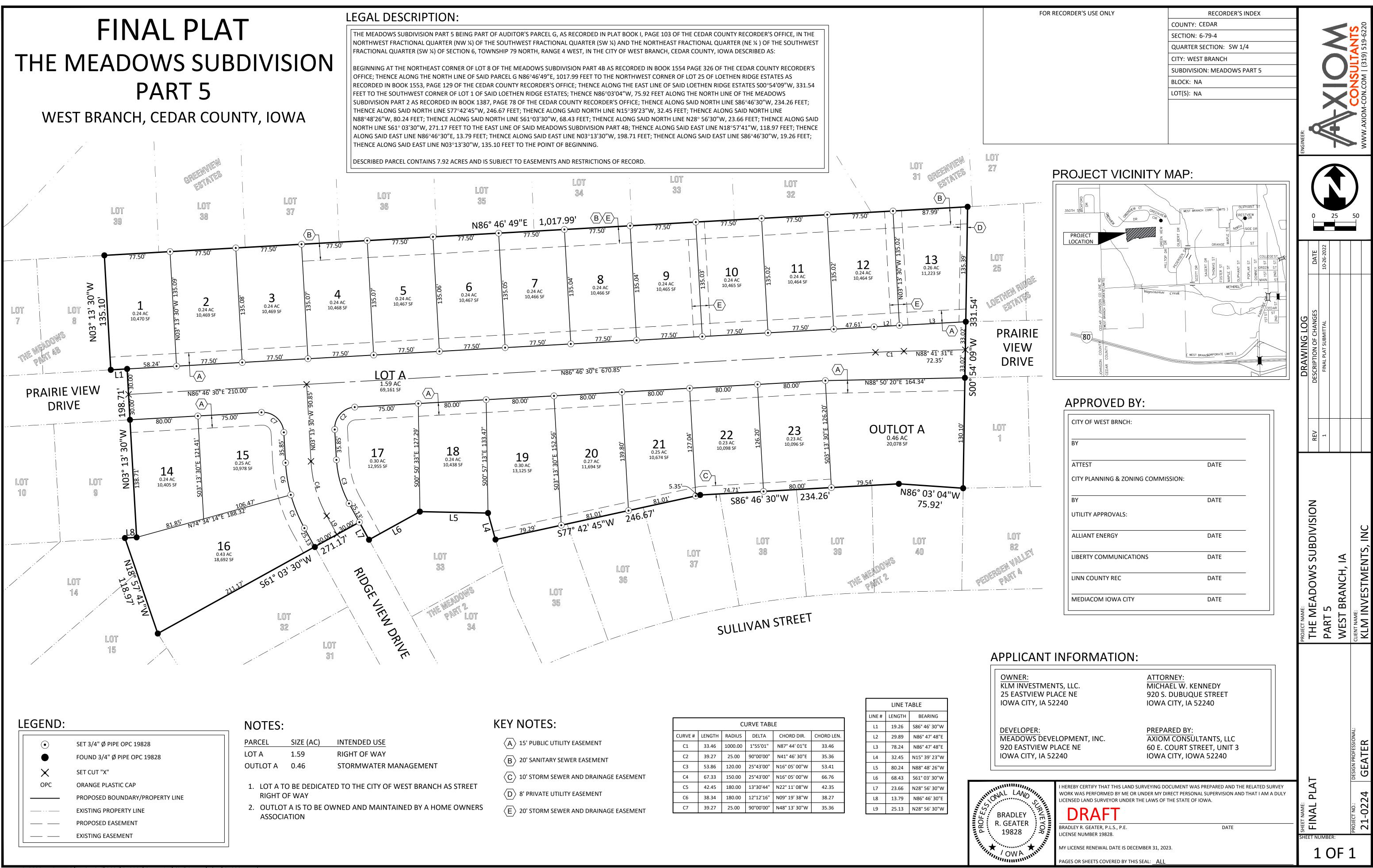
MEETING DATE:	January 24, 2023
AGENDA ITEM:	Review / Approve The Meadows Part 5 Final Plat. / Move to action.
PREPARED BY:	City Clerk, Leslie Brick
DATE:	January 17, 2023

BACKGROUND:

Developer, The Meadows Development Inc., along with their engineer Axiom Consultants have submitted the final plat for The Meadow's Part 5. This subdivision lies between Loethen Ridge Estates and The Meadows Part 4B and completes the connection of Prairie View Drive and connects Ridge View Drive at its northerly point.

The preliminary plat for The Meadows Part 5 was previously approved by the City Council on May 16, 2022.

Public improvements are currently being finished up. City Engineer will inspect all public improvements and escrow monies will be collected if needed before forwarding to City Council for their approval and recording of final plat documents.



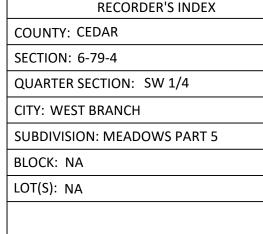
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C3	53.86	120.00	25°43'00"	N16° 05' 00"W	53.41
C4	67.33	150.00	25°43'00"	N16° 05' 00"W	66.76
C5	42.45	180.00	13°30'44"	N22° 11' 08"W	42.35
C6	38.34	180.00	12°12'16"	N09° 19' 38"W	38.27
C7	39.27	25.00	90°00'00"	N48° 13' 30"W	35.36

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LINE #	LENGTH	BEARING
L1	19.26	S86° 46' 30"W
L2	29.89	N86° 47' 48"E
L3	78.24	N86° 47' 48"E
L4	32.45	N15° 39' 23"W
L5	80.24	N88° 48' 26"W
L6	68.43	S61° 03' 30"W
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L9	25.13	N28° 56' 30"W

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MEETING DATE:	January 24, 2023
AGENDA ITEM:	Review suggested Code update – establishing Front Setback Coverage
PREPARED BY:	City Clerk, Leslie Brick on behalf of Terry Goerdt
DATE:	January 17, 2023

BACKGROUND:

Zoning Administrator provided language from the Iowa City Code of Ordinances regarding front yard paving.

Proposed language could be added to our Code of Ordinance as follows:

Front Setback Coverage:

1. Purpose: The front setback coverage standard ensures that a certain portion of the front setback area remains free of impervious surface, which helps to maintain a consistent and pleasant environment along neighborhood streets. These standards increase public safety by preventing excessive front yard paving and vehicular storage that may obscure the principal dwelling and the main entrance from view of the street. In addition, this standard helps to prevent neighborhood streets that are dominated by front yard pavement, particularly along frontages with narrow residential lots.

2. Standard: The maximum front setback coverage standard for the single-family residential zones is 50% of the required front yard. This is the maximum percentage of the required front setback that may be covered by impervious surface, including driveways, walkways, patios, decks, and other paved areas.



MEETING DATE:	January 24, 2023
AGENDA ITEM:	Review suggested Code update – defining Parking Space
PREPARED BY:	City Clerk, Leslie Brick on behalf of Terry Goerdt
DATE:	January 17, 2023

BACKGROUND:

Zoning Administrator provided language from the Iowa City Code of Ordinances regarding front yard paving.

Proposed language could be added to our Code of Ordinance as follows:

39. "Parking space" means an off-street space accessible and available for the parking of one motor vehicle and having an area of not less than 180 square feet, together with a driveway connecting the parking space with a street, road, or alley and permitting ingress and egress of an automobile. All parking and stacking spaces, drives and aisles must be constructed of asphaltic cement concrete, portland cement concrete or manufactured paving materials.