

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

Thursday, September 28, 2023

6:00 pm

Council Board Room

One Batavia City Centre, Batavia, NY

AGENDA

- I. Roll Call
- II. Call to order
- III. Pledge of Allegiance
- IV. Approval of August 24, 2023 minutes
- V. Statement about the role of the Zoning Board of Appeals and the procedure it follows
- VI. Variance Requests

A. Request #1 *19 Porter Avenue*
Janice Cotto (owner)

Area Variance: Place a 5' 5' accessibility lift adjacent to the southeast corner of the front entry porch. This new equipment will be located within the front yard clear space

- 1. Review application
- 2. Public hearing and discussion
- 3. Action by the board

B. Request #2 *7 Hillside Drive*
Daniel Koladzinski (owner)

Area Variance: Remove an existing 21'-wide asphalt driveway and place 36' of Portland cement in the front yard to create a new driveway

- 1. Review application
- 2. Public hearing and discussion
- 3. SEQR
- 4. Action by the board

C. Request #3 *301-305 West Main Street*
Peter Sorgi, Esq. (agent for owner)

Area Variance: Reduction in required off-street parking and an increase in the maximum height of the building (construction of a

3,140 sq.' restaurant with drive-through service)

1. Review application
2. Public hearing and discussion
3. Action by the board

VII. Setting of Next Meeting: October 26, 2023

VIII. Adjournment

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS
Draft Minutes
Thursday, August 24, 2023
6:00 pm
Council Board Room
One Batavia City Centre, Batavia, NY

Members present: *Jeff Gillard, Leslie Moma, Dave McCarthy*

Members absent: Nick Harris, Jim Russell

Others present: Meg Chilano – Recording Secretary, Doug Randall – Code Enforcement Officer

I. Roll Call

Roll call of the members was conducted. Three members were present and Chair Dave McCarthy declared a quorum.

II. Call to Order

Mr. McCarthy called the meeting to order at 6:02 pm.

III. Pledge of Allegiance

IV. Approval of Minutes

There were no corrections to the minutes. Mr. McCarthy assumed the motion and the minutes were approved by unanimous consent.

RESULT: Approval of July 27, 2023 minutes.

V. Zoning Board of Appeals statement

Mr. McCarthy explained the role of the Zoning Board of Appeals and the procedures it follows.

VI. Variance Requests

Area Variance: remove the existing wood-frame deck and stairs, and construct a new 12' x 17' pressure-treated wood-frame deck with stairs and rails on the east elevation (front yard) of the dwelling. The new deck expands the footprint into the front yard clear space

Address: *59 Vernon Avenue*
Applicant: Anthony Ray, owner

Actions: 1. Review proposal
2. Public hearing and discussion
3. Action by the board

1. Review Application

Vice Chair, Leslie Moma, read the summary of the proposal.

2. Public Hearing and Discussion

MOTION: Mr. McCarthy moved to open the public hearing; the motion was seconded by Ms. Moma, and on roll call, was approved 3-0.

RESULT: Public hearing opened at 6:06 pm.

Mr. Ray said that the stairs needed replacing, but when he started removing them, he realized that the entire porch was rotting. The project gradually grew and he knew he would need to replace everything. Now he needs the variance to finish construction.

There were no calls, letters, or email concerning the proposal, and no one present who wished to speak.

MOTION: Mr. McCarthy moved to close the public hearing; the motion was seconded by Ms. Moma, and on roll call, was approved 3-0.

RESULT: Public hearing closed at 6:08 pm.

The board agreed that this deck does not extend any farther than other decks in the neighborhood.

3. Action by the Board

Mr. McCarthy went through the list of supporting criteria for the variance:

- Undesirable change in neighborhood character: no
- Alternative cure sought: no
- Substantiality: not substantial
- Adverse effect or impact on neighborhood/community: no, it is an improvement
- Self-created: no, the deck needed replacing

MOTION: Mr. McCarthy Gillard moved to approve the proposal with 30 days to obtain the permit; the motion was seconded by Ms. Moma, and on roll call, was approved 3-0.

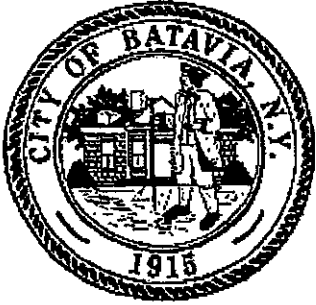
RESULT: Area Variance approved.

VII. Setting of Next Meeting: September 28, 2023

VIII. Adjournment

Mr. McCarthy adjourned the meeting at 6:10 pm.

Meg Chilano
Recording Secretary



City of Batavia
Department of Public Works
Bureau of Inspections

One Batavia City Center, Batavia, New York 14020 (585)-345-6345 (585)-345-1385 (fax)

To: Zoning Board of Appeals
From: Doug Randall, Code Enforcement Officer
Date: 9/1/23
Re: 19 Porter Ave.
Tax Parcel No. 84.040-2-33

Zoning Use District: R-3

The applicant, Janice Cotto, owner, has filed an application to place a 5' x 5' accessibility lift adjacent to the southeast corner of the front entry porch. This new equipment will be located within the front yard clear space.

Note: This is a type II action as defined by Environmental Conservation Law and is not subject to review under SEQR 6 NYCRR Part 617.5 (c) (16).

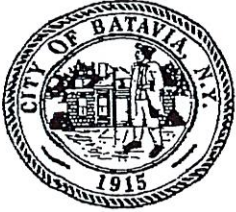
Review and Approval Procedures:

Zoning Board of Appeals- Pursuant to BMC Sec. 190-49 of the zoning ordinance, the ZBA shall review and act on required variances.

Required variances- Area

1) BMC Sec. 190-29 A. and Schedule I

	<u>Required</u>	<u>Proposed</u>	<u>Difference</u>
Front yard clear space	20'	12.54'	7.46'



CITY OF BATAVIA
APPLICATION TO THE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

PAID
AUG 18 2023
CITY OF BATAVIA
CLERK-TREASURER

Application No.: 2023-23
Hearing Date/Time: _____

APPLICANT: Janice A Cotto
Name Janice A Cotto E-Mail Address _____
Street Address 19 Parker Ave Phone 716 560-1102
City Batavia State NY Zip 14020

STATUS: Owner _____ Agent for Owner _____ Contractor _____

OWNER: Luis Cotto
Name Luis Cotto E-Mail Address _____
Street Address 19 Parker Ave Phone 716 560 0353
City Batavia State NY Zip 14020

LOCATION OF PROPERTY: City of BATAVIA

DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF REQUEST: 5x5 1.ft (wheel chair)

Applicant must be present at the hearing date. Failure to do so will result in the application being discarded. It is the responsibility of the applicant to present evidence sufficient to satisfy the Zoning Board of Appeals that the benefit of the applicant does not outweigh the health, safety, morals, aesthetics and general welfare of the community or neighborhood.

Janice A Cotto _____ 8-9-23 _____
Applicant's Signature Date

Owner's Signature Date

To be Filled out by Zoning Officer

TAX PARCEL: 84.040-2-33 ZONING DISTRICT: R-3 FLOOD PLAIN: C

TYPE OF APPEAL: Area Variance FEE: \$50 (One or Two Family Use)
 Use Variance \$100 (All other Uses)
 Interpretation
 Decision of Planning Committee

Provision(s) of the Zoning Ordinance Appealed: _____

Criteria to Support Area Variance

In making its determination, the zoning Board of Appeals shall take into consideration the benefit to the applicant if the variance is granted, as weighed against the detriment to the health, safety, moral, aesthetics and welfare of the neighborhood or community. The Zoning Board of Appeals shall consider the following test, as per §81-b of the General City Law when making its determination:

Explain how the proposal conforms to EACH of the following requirements:

1. Undesirable Change in neighborhood Character. The granting of the variance will not produce an undesirable change in the neighborhood or a detriment to nearby properties.

no

2. Alternative Cure Sought. There are no other means feasible for the applicant to pursue that would result in the difficulty being avoided or remedied, other than the granting of the area variance. None

3. Substantiality. The requested area variance is not substantial. no

4. Adverse Effect or Impact. The requested variance will not have an adverse effect or impact on the physical or environmental condition in the neighborhood or community.

none

5. Not Self-Created. The alleged difficulty existed at the time of the enactment of the provision or was created by natural force or governmental action, and was not the result of any action by the owner or the predecessors in title. no

Darwin N. Otto

Applicant's Signature

8-9-23

Date

Application Date: 8/9/23

APPLICANT NAME Janice A. Cotto PHONE 716-560-1102

APPLICANT MAILING ADDRESS 19 Porter Ave

APPLICANT EMAIL _____

Project Location and Information

Address of Project: 19 Porter Ave

Owner: Luis Cotto Phone: 716-560-2353

Owners Mailing Address: P.O. Box 489 BATAVIA NY

Project Type/Describe Work

Estimated cost of work:

Describe project: wheel chair 1.ft. need 110 w/GFI ; Cement slab 8x10

Contractor Information – Insurance certificates (liability & worker comp) required to be on file in our office before issuance of any permit. _____ Liability _____ Workers Comp

GENERAL

Name & Address: Sheidan Surgical 4513 Barky Ave

Phone: 716-836-8780

PLUMBING (City of Batavia Licensed Plumber Required)

Name & Address: _____

Phone: _____

HEATING

Name & Address: _____

Phone: _____

ELECTRICAL (Third Party Electrical Inspection Required)

Name & Address: _____

Phone: _____

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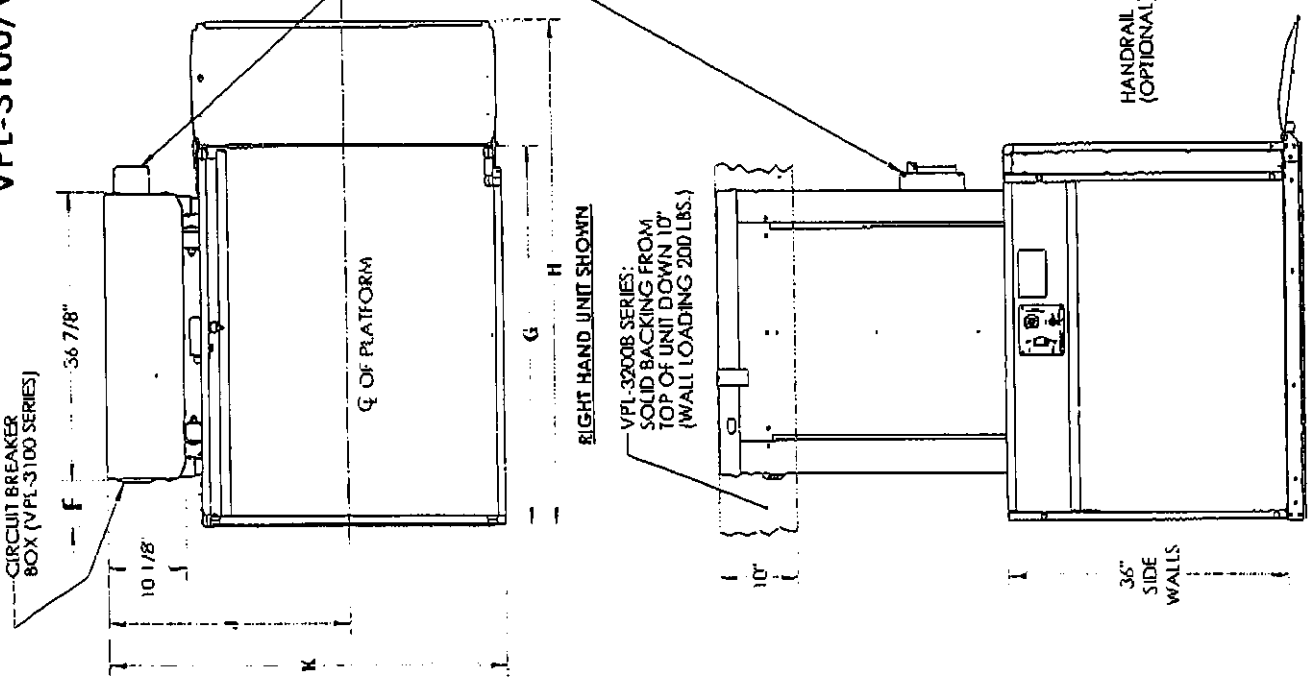
Zoning District: _____ Flood Zone: _____ Corner Lot: _____ Historic District/Landmark: _____
Zoning Review: _____ Variance Required: _____ Site Plan Review: _____ Other: _____
National Grid Sign Off (Pools): _____ Lot Size: _____

UNENCLOSED 90°/ADJACENT EXIT PLATFORM (NO PIT)(RES)

VPL-3100/VPL-3200B SERIES VERTICAL PLATFORM LIFT

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36" X 48" PLATFORM	36-1/4"	33-1/2"	5-3/4"	48-7/16"	64-5/8"	31-9/16"	51-11/16"
36" X 54" PLATFORM	36-1/4"	33-1/2"	8-3/4"	54-7/16"	70-5/8"	31-9/16"	51-11/16"
36" X 60" PLATFORM	36-1/4"	33-1/2"	11-3/4"	60-7/16"	76-5/8"	31-9/16"	51-11/16"
42" X 60" PLATFORM	42-1/4"	39-1/2"	11-3/4"	60-7/16"	76-5/8"	34-9/16"	57-11/16"

	A	B	C
VPL-3153	75-9/16"	89"	53"
VPL-3175	97-9/16"	113"	75"
VPL-32108	148-1/16"	159"	123"



NOTES: 1) ACCESS RAMP CAN BE MOUNTED ON EITHER SIDE OF THE PLATFORM
 2) SEE ILS-0093B FOR LANDING GATE DETAIL/ALIGNMENT

ILS-01558
SHEET 2 OF 5
REV. 0 (7683)(11/03/22)(TAK)

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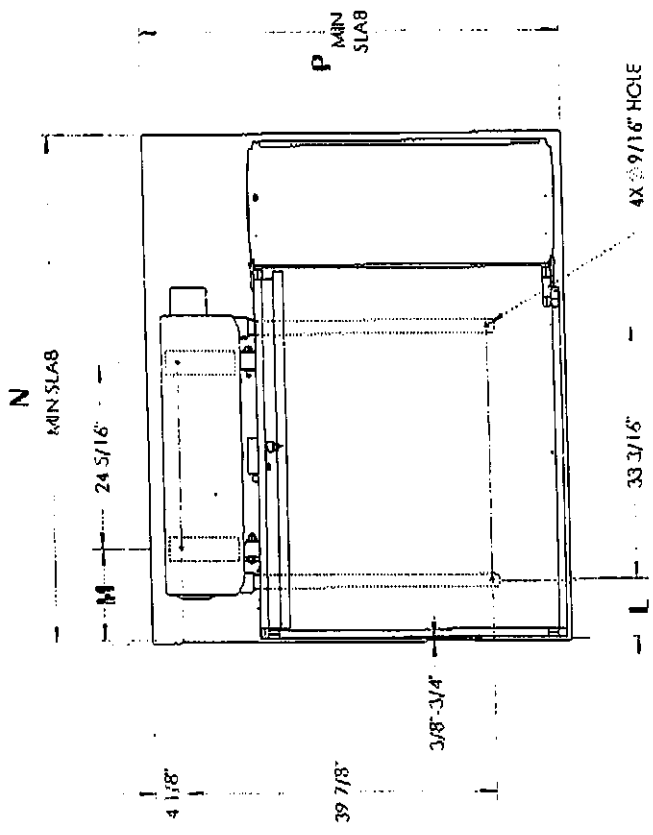
ANCHOR POINT LOCATIONS/SLAB DETAIL

TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS*

FLOOR ATTACHMENT:
 VPL MUST BE FASTENED TO CONCRETE SLAB USING FOUR (4) 1/2" (3/8" BOLT) X MINIMUM 2-1/2" LONG CONCRETE ANCHORS SUITABLE FOR THE ENVIRONMENT. FOLLOW SELECTED CONCRETE ANCHOR MANUFACTURERS GUIDELINES AND APPLICABLE CODES.

FLOOR REQUIREMENTS:
 4" THICK 3500 PSI MINIMUM COMPRESSIVE STRENGTH, REINFORCED CONCRETE SLAB.

* For complete technical specifications please see ILS-00834 "VPL-3100 Residential Vertical Platform Lift Technical Specification" ILS-00986 "VPL-32108 Residential Vertical Platform Lift Technical Specification"



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36" X 48" PLATFORM	7-5/8"	12-1/16"	66"	54"
36" X 54" PLATFORM	10-5/8"	15-1/16"	72"	54"
36" X 60" PLATFORM	13-5/8"	18-1/16"	78"	54"
42" X 60" PLATFORM	13-5/8"	18-1/16"	78"	60"

UNITS WITH 90°/ADJACENT EXIT PLATFORM

ILS-01558
SHEET 3 OF 5
 REV 0 (7683)(11/03/22)(TAK)



City of Batavia
Department of Public Works
Bureau of Inspections

One Batavia City Center, Batavia, New York 14020 (585)-345-6345 (585)-345-1385 (fax)

To: Planning and Development Committee
Zoning Board of Appeals

From: Doug Randall, Code Enforcement Officer

Date: 9/1/23

Re: 7 Hillside Dr.
Tax Parcel No. 84.012-2-48

Zoning Use District: R-1

The applicant, Daniel Koladzinski (owner), has applied for a permit to remove an existing 21' wide asphalt driveway and place 36' of Portland cement in the front yard to create a new driveway.

Note: This is a type II action as defined by Environmental Conservation Law and is not subject to review under SEQR 6 NYCRR Part 617.5 (c) (13).

Review and Approval Procedures:

City Planning and Development Committee- Pursuant to section 190-49 C. of the zoning ordinance, the Planning and Development Committee shall review and make recommendations to the ZBA for applications that include parking variances.

Zoning Board of Appeals- Pursuant to BMC Sec. 190-49 of the zoning ordinance, the ZBA shall review and act on required variances.

Required variances- Area

- 1) **BMC Sec. 190-39 E (1)** The width of driveways shall not exceed 25% of the lot frontage.

	<u>Permitted</u>	<u>Proposed</u>	<u>Difference</u>
Driveway width	25' (25%)	36' (36%)	11' (11%)



CITY OF BATAVIA
APPLICATION TO THE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

Application No.: 2023-24
 Hearing Date/Time: _____

APPLICANT: Daniel Koladzinski Dskolad04@gmail.com

Name 7 Hillside Drive E-Mail Address (585) 813-5061

Street Address Batavia, NY 14020 Phone _____ Fax _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

STATUS: Owner Agent for Owner Contractor

OWNER: Same as above

Name _____ E-Mail Address _____

Street Address _____ Phone _____ Fax _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

LOCATION OF PROPERTY: 7 Hillside Drive, Batavia, NY 14020

DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF REQUEST: _____

The original driveway needed to be replaced and was extended to add an additional space for work vehicle and son's truck while he is serving overseas in the Army National Guard.

Applicant must be present at the hearing date. Failure to do so will result in the application being discarded. It is the responsibility of the applicant to present evidence sufficient to satisfy the Zoning Board of Appeals that the benefit of the applicant does not outweigh the health, safety, morals, aesthetics and general welfare of the community or neighborhood.

[Signature]
 Applicant's Signature

08/11/23
 Date

[Signature]
 Owner's Signature

08/11/23
 Date

To be Filled out by Zoning Officer

TAX PARCEL: 84.012-2-48 ZONING DISTRICT: R-1 FLOOD PLAIN: C

TYPE OF APPEAL: Area Variance
 Use Variance
 Interpretation
 Decision of Planning Committee

FEE: \$50 (One or Two Family Use)
 \$100 (All other Uses)

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Provision(s) of the Zoning Ordinance Appealed: _____

Criteria to Support Area Variance

In making its determination, the Zoning Board of Appeals shall take into consideration the benefit to the applicant if the variance is granted, as weighed against the detriment to the health, safety, moral, aesthetics and welfare of the neighborhood or community. The Zoning Board of Appeals shall consider the following test, as per §81-b of the General City Law when making its determination:

Explain how the proposal conforms to EACH of the following requirements:

1. **Undesirable Change in Neighborhood Character.** The granting of the variance will not produce an undesirable change in the neighborhood or a detriment to nearby properties.
Spoke to neighbors immediately surrounding about the work being done and they had no issue. The original driveway was in desperate need of replacement and the new concrete is a great improvement overall and would only add value to surrounding properties.

2. **Alternative Cure Sought.** There are no other means feasible for the applicant to pursue that would result in the difficulty being avoided or remedied, other than the granting of the area variance.
This construction has already been completed.

3. **Substantiality.** The requested area variance is not substantial.
This street has low traffic as there are a small number of houses on the road. This really won't impact the area. There is still an ample amount of space between the property line.

4. **Adverse Effect or Impact.** The requested variance will not have an adverse effect or impact on the physical or environmental conditions in the neighborhood or community.
This street has low traffic as there are a small number of houses on the road. This really won't impact the area. There is still an ample amount of space between the property line.

5. **Not Self-Created.** The alleged difficulty existed at the time of the enactment of the provision or was created by natural force or governmental action, and was not the result of any action by the owner or the predecessors in title.
The driveway needed to be replaced and was done so in a way that would increase the property value and allowed the additional space needed for vehicles.



Applicant's Signature

08/11/23

Date



Permit No. _____
Date: _____

DRIVEWAY AND PARKING SPACE PERMIT
\$55 fee - Please attach Survey / Illustration

ADDRESS OF PROPERTY: 7 Hillside Drive, Batavia, NY 14020

OWNER: Daniel Koladzinski Dskolad04@gmail.com
Name E-mail Address
7 Hillside Drive (585) 813-5061
Street Address Phone
Batavia NY 14020
City State Zip

CONTRACTOR: E-Z Way Concrete LLC ezwayconcrete@gmail.com
Name E-mail Address
2631 Richley Rd (716) 292-1688
Street Address Phone
Corfu New York 14036
City State Zip

[Signature] 8/2/23
Owner/Contractor's Signature Date

DIMENSIONS OF EXISTING DRIVEWAY: Width 21' Length 37.5'

DIMENSIONS OF NEW DRIVEWAY / ADDITION: Width 36' Length 37.5'

SURFACE MATERIAL: Existing Blacktop Proposed Concrete

To be filled out by Zoning Enforcement Officer

TAX PARCEL: _____ **ZONING DISTRICT:** _____ **SURVEY:** _____

DIMENSIONS OF LOT: Lot Frontage _____ Front Yard _____

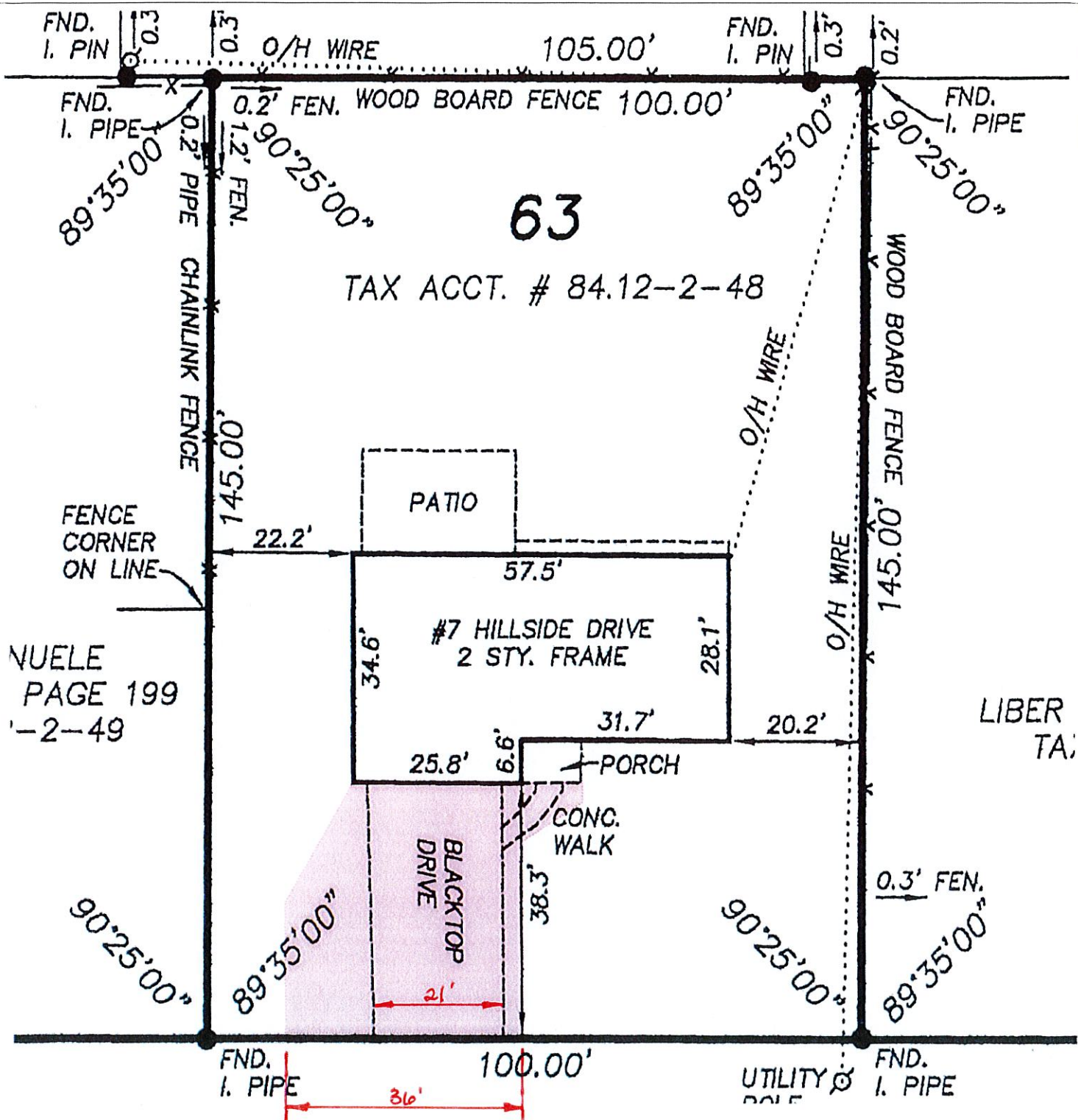
PERCENTAGE OF LOT FRONTAGE: _____ **SURFACE MATERIAL:** _____

APPROVED: _____ **AREA VARIANCE:** _____ **GRADE PLAN:** _____

ISSUING OFFICER: _____ **DATE:** _____

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TAX ACCT. # 84.12-2-48



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PATIO

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31.7'

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PORCH

CONC. WALK

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100.00'

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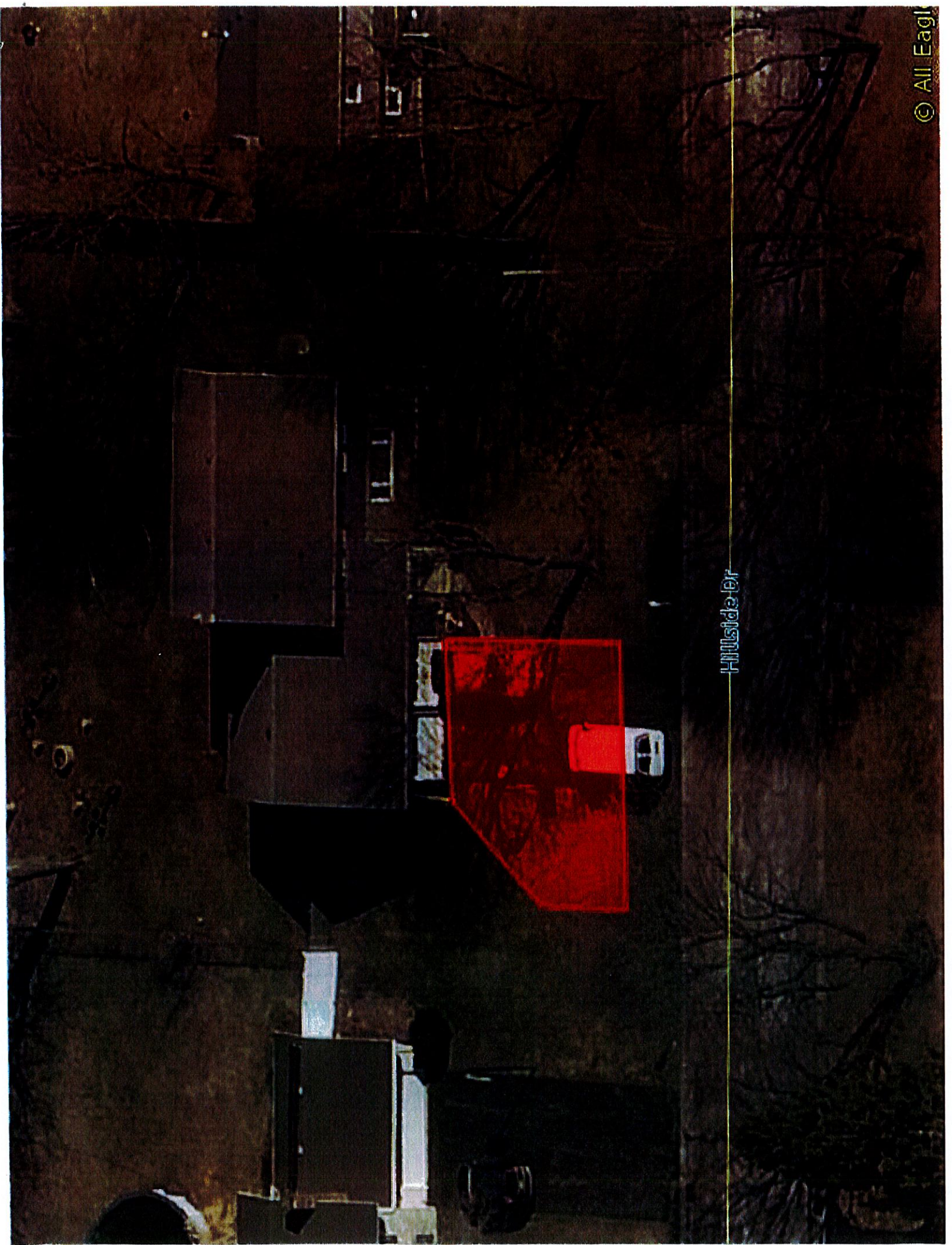
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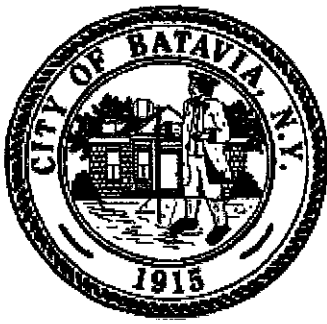
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UTILITY



Hillside Dr



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One Batavia City Center, Batavia, New York 14020 (585)-345-6345 (585)-345-1385 (fax)

To: Genesee County Planning
Planning and Development Committee
Zoning Board of Appeals

From: Doug Randall, Code Enforcement Officer

Date: 9/1/23

Re: 301-305 West Main St.
Tax Parcel No. 84.039-1-4

Zoning Use District: C-2

The applicant, Carrols LLC (contact Peter J. Sorgi, Esq.) has filed an application for area variance in anticipation of permit denial for the construction of a 3,140 sq. ft. restaurant with drive-through service. The applicant is requesting a reduction in required off street parking and an increase in the maximum height of the building.

Review and Approval Procedures:

County Planning Board- Pursuant to General Municipal Law 239 m, referral to the County Planning Board is required since the property is within 500 feet of the right of way of a state road or highway.

City Planning and Development Committee- Pursuant to section 190-49 C of the zoning ordinance, the Planning and Development Committee shall be provided the opportunity to make recommendation to the ZBA regarding variance applications involving parking.

Zoning Board of Appeals- Pursuant to BMC Sec. 190-49 of the zoning ordinance, the ZBA shall review and act on required variances.

Required variances- Area

1) BMC Sec. 190-29 A. and Schedule I

	<u>Permitted</u>	<u>Proposed</u>	<u>Difference</u>
Maximum bldg. height	18'	18'-8"	8"

2) BMC 190-39 A(3)(a) [27] leasable floor area. Off-street parking- One space is required per 100 sq. ft. of

	<u>Required</u>	<u>Proposed</u>	<u>Difference</u>
Minimum off-street parking	32 spaces	26 spaces	6 spaces

The ZBA will be the lead agency to conduct SEQR.



GENESEE COUNTY PLANNING BOARD REFERRALS NOTICE OF FINAL ACTION

GCDP Referral ID

C-06-BAT-09-23

Review Date

9/14/2023

Municipality
Board Name
Applicant's Name
Referral Type
Variance(s)
Description:

BATAVIA, C.

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

Peter Sorgi for Carrols LLC

Area Variance(s)

Area Variances to build a new drive-thru restaurant (Burger King).

Off-street Parking

Minimum required: 32 spaces

Proposed: 26 spaces

Building height

Maximum allowed: 18 ft.

Proposed: 18.66 ft.

Location
Zoning District

301- 305 W. Main St. (NYS Rt. 5), Batavia

General Commercial (C-2) District

PLANNING BOARD RECOMMENDS:

APPROVAL

EXPLANATION:

The proposed variances should pose no significant county-wide or inter-community impact.

Director

September 14, 2023

Date

If the County Planning Board disapproved the proposal, or recommends modifications, the referring agency shall NOT act contrary to the recommendations except by a vote of a majority plus one of all the members and after the adoption of a resolution setting forth the reasons for such contrary action. Within 30 days after the final action the referring agency shall file a report of final action with the County Planning Board. An action taken form is provided for this purpose and may be obtained from the Genesee County Planning Department.

SEND OR DELIVER TO:
GENESEE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING
3837 West Main Street Road
Batavia, NY 14020-9404
Phone: (585) 815-7901

DEPARTMENT USE ONLY:
GCDP Referral # _____



*** GENESEE COUNTY *
PLANNING BOARD REFERRAL**

Required According to:
GENERAL MUNICIPAL LAW ARTICLE 12B, SECTION 239 L, M, N
(Please answer ALL questions as fully as possible)

1. REFERRING BOARD(S) INFORMATION

Board(s) ZBA
Address One Batavia City Centre
City, State, Zip Batavia, NY 14020
Phone (585) 345 - 6345 Ext. _____

2. APPLICANT INFORMATION

Name Peter Sorgi for Carrols LLC
Address _____
City, State, Zip _____
Phone (716) 908 - 3289 Ext. _____ Email psorgi@hamlegal.com

MUNICIPALITY: City Town Village of Batavia

3. TYPE OF REFERRAL: (Check all applicable items)

- | | | |
|---|--|---|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Area Variance | <input type="checkbox"/> Zoning Map Change | <input type="checkbox"/> Subdivision Proposal |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Use Variance | <input type="checkbox"/> Zoning Text Amendments | <input type="checkbox"/> Preliminary |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Special Use Permit | <input type="checkbox"/> Comprehensive Plan/Update | <input type="checkbox"/> Final |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Site Plan Review | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____ | |

4. LOCATION OF THE REAL PROPERTY PERTAINING TO THIS REFERRAL:

- A. Full Address 301-305 West Main St.
B. Nearest intersecting road South Lyon St.
C. Tax Map Parcel Number 84.039-1-4
D. Total area of the property _____ Area of property to be disturbed _____
E. Present zoning district(s) C-2

5. REFERRAL CASE INFORMATION:

- A. Has this referral been previously reviewed by the Genesee County Planning Board?
 NO YES If yes, give date and action taken _____
- B. Special Use Permit and/or Variances refer to the following section(s) of the present zoning ordinance and/or law
BMC 190-29 A and Schedule 1 and BMC 190-39 A(3)(a)[27]
- C. Please describe the nature of this request Approval to reduce the number of required off-street parking space and increase the maximum permitted height of the proposed building.

6. ENCLOSURES – Please enclose copy(s) of all appropriate items in regard to this referral

- | | | |
|---|--|--|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Local application | <input type="checkbox"/> Zoning text/map amendments | <input type="checkbox"/> New or updated comprehensive plan |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Site plan | <input type="checkbox"/> Location map or tax maps | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Photos |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Subdivision plot plans | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Elevation drawings | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other: <u>Cover letter</u> |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SEQR forms | <input type="checkbox"/> Agricultural data statement | |

7. CONTACT INFORMATION of the person representing the community in filling out this form (required information)

Name Douglas Randall Title Code Enf. Officer Phone (585) 345 - 6327 Ext. _____
Address, City, State, Zip One Batavia City Centre, Batavia, NY 14020 Email drandall@batavianewyork.com



CITY OF BATAVIA
APPLICATION TO THE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

Application No.: _____

Hearing Date/Time: _____

APPLICANT: Carrols LLC dbeachel@carrols.com
Name 968 James Street E-Mail Address 315-409-8692 716 4276501
Street Address Phone Fax
City Syracuse NY State 13203 Zip

STATUS: [X] Owner [X] Agent for Owner (contract vendee) Contractor

OWNER: See attached authorization + applicable portions of redacted purchase agreement
Name E-Mail Address
Street Address Phone Fax
City State Zip

LOCATION OF PROPERTY: 301-305 W. Main St, 307 W. Main St, 4 S. Lyon St + portion of 6 S. Lyon St.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF REQUEST: See attached

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Applicant's Signature [Signature] Date 8/29/2023
Owner's Signature [Signature] Date 8/31/2023

To be Filled out by Zoning Officer

TAX PARCEL: _____ ZONING DISTRICT: _____ FLOOD PLAIN: _____

TYPE OF APPEAL: [] Area Variance [] Use Variance [] Interpretation [] Decision of Planning Committee
FEE: [] \$50 (One or Two Family Use) [] \$100 (All other Uses)

Provision(s) of the Zoning Ordinance Appealed: _____

Criteria to Support Area Variance

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Explain how the proposal conforms to EACH of the following requirements:

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See attached

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Travis J. Beecher
Applicant's Signature

8/28/2023
Date

BGW Properties, LLC
413 Garden Drive
Batavia, NY 14020
Phone/Fax 585-343-1966

August 31, 2023

To Whom This May Concern:

I authorize Carrols, LLC to make application and speak on behalf of BGW Properties, LLC to the ZBA and/or Planning Board of Batavia.

Thank you for your cooperation concerning this matter.

Sincerely,

Brian Wormley

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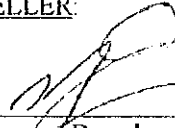
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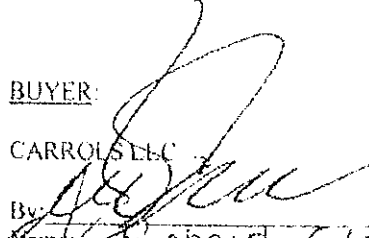
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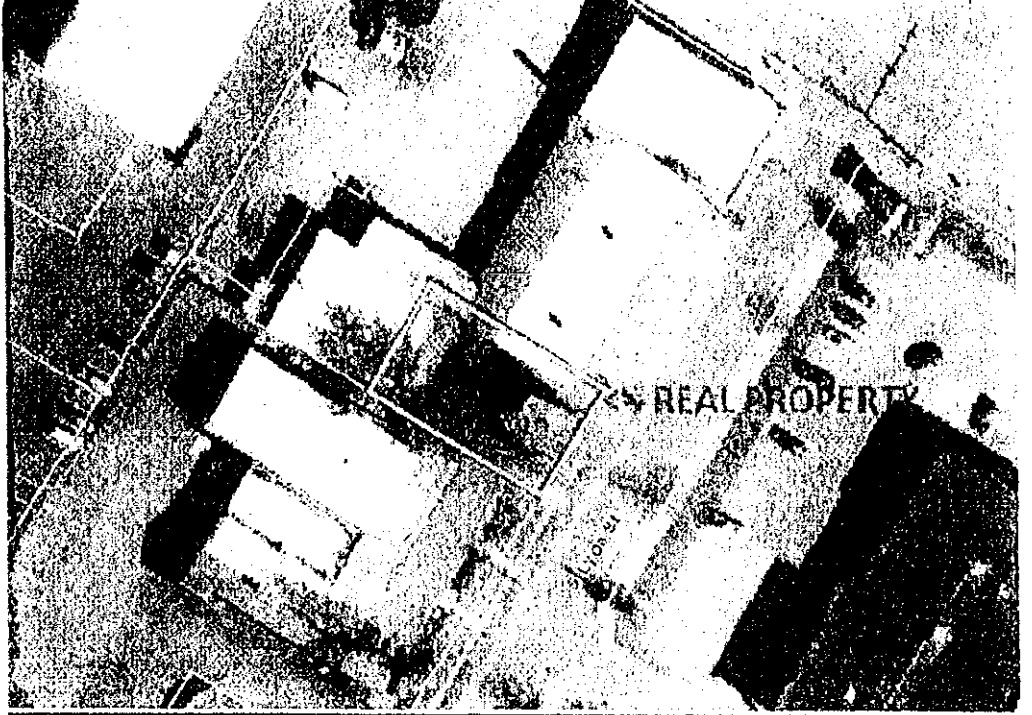
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CARROLS LLC

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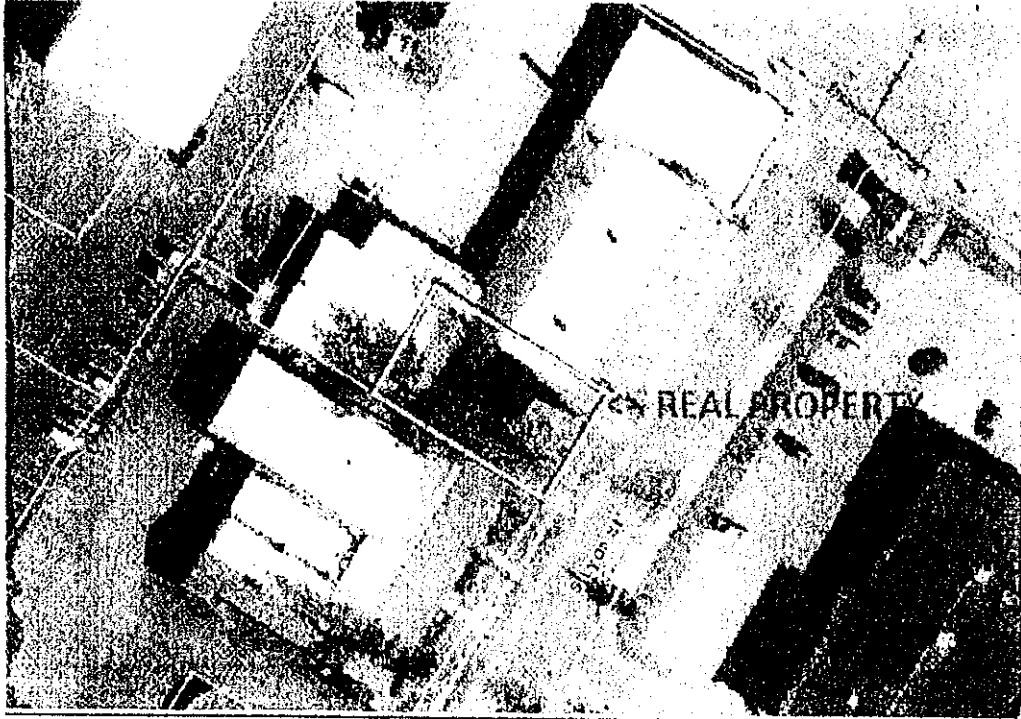
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Narrative Justifying
Granting of Area
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August 31, 2023

City of Batavia Zoning Board of Appeals
One Batavia City Center
Batavia, New York 14020

Attention: Doug Randall, City of Batavia Code Enforcement Officer

Re: Application for Area Variances – Proposed Burger King
Applicant: Carrols LLC
Properties: 301-305 West Main Street;
307 West Main Street;
4 South Lyon Street; and
Portion of 6 South Lyon Street

Dear City of Batavia Zoning Board of Appeals:

Our firm represents Carrols LLC (“Applicant”), the applicant regarding the above referenced Application for Two Area Variances. The Applicant has entered into contracts to purchase 301-305 West Main Street, 307 West Main Street, 4 South Lyon Street and a portion of 6 South Lyon Street, which combined comprise 1.11± acres (“Project Site”).

As described in more detail below, the Applicant seeks two area variances:

1. Number of Parking Spaces; and
2. Building Height.

This letter shall constitute the Applicant’s justification for approval of its Application for Two Area Variances as required by the City of Batavia Application to the Zoning Board of Appeals Form as well as City of Batavia Zoning Ordinance §190-49(F)(4) and New York General City Law §81-b(4)¹.

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Application for Two Area Variances

Applicant: Carrols LLC

Project: Burger King

**Property: 301-305 West Main Street, 307 West Main Street, 4 South Lyon Street & portion of 6 South Lyon Street
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Project Overview

The Applicant seeks to construct a new Burger King restaurant consisting of the construction of a new 3,140± square feet Burger King with a drive-thru, a mobile order lane and related site infrastructure, parking and site improvements. This project would relocate the existing Burger King located nearby at 230 West Main Street.

The Property is zoned C-2 – General Commercial District which expressly allows the proposed use. In addition to the two area variances requested, the Applicant will be applying to the City of Batavia Planning & Development Committee (“PDC”) for Site Plan Approval and a Lot Division of 6 South Lyon Street. The necessary approvals, including the two area variances, were confirmed in an E-Mail from Doug Randall, City of Batavia Code Enforcement Officer to Peter J. Sorgi, Project Attorney, on July 27, 2023.

The Applicant has availed itself of the Zoning Ordinance’s option to have pre-application, sketch plan review with the PDC and has met with the PDC at their June 2023, July 2023 and August 2023 meetings and the result of these meetings has been several modifications of the plan which is discussed in more detail below.

Enclosed please find as follows:

- Exhibit 1: Concept Site Plan with a table of the two required area variances located in the upper right corner.
- Exhibit 2: Survey.
- Exhibit 3: E-Mail from Doug Randall, City of Batavia Code Enforcement Officer to Peter J. Sorgi, Project Attorney, on July 27, 2023, confirming the necessary approvals including the two area variances.
- Exhibit 4: Short Environmental Assessment Form pursuant to the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act (“SEQR”) – please note that the granting of the two area variances constitutes an Unlisted Action pursuant to SEQR.

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Requested Area Variances

The two requested area variances are:

DESCRIPTION	CODE SECTION	REQUIRED	REQUESTED	VARIANCE
Number of Parking Spaces	190-39(A)(3)(a)(27)	32	26	6 spaces
Building Height	190-37(E)(2)(d)	18'-0"	18'-8"	8 inches

Section 190-39(A)(3)(a)(27) of the Zoning Ordinance (parking spaces) is attached as Exhibit 5. Section 190-37(E)(2)(d) of the Zoning Ordinance (parking spaces) is attached as Exhibit 6.

Legal Criteria for Granting of Area Variances

The Zoning Board of Appeals has the jurisdiction to grant area variances pursuant to City of Batavia Zoning Ordinance §190-49(F)(4) and New York General City Law §81-b(4), both of which set forth the following legal criteria for the granting of area variances:

Area variances.

(a) The zoning board of appeals shall have the power, upon an appeal from a decision or determination of the administrative official charged with the enforcement of such ordinance or local law, to grant area variances as defined herein.

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(1) whether an undesirable change will be produced in the character of the neighborhood or a detriment to nearby properties will be created by the granting of the area variance;

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(5) whether the alleged difficulty was self-created, which consideration shall be relevant to the decision of the board of appeals, but shall not necessarily preclude the granting of the area variance.

The five factors set forth above provide guidance as to the types of issues that must be considered, but no one factor is dispositive, meaning that the applicant does not need to demonstrate all five factors or even a majority of the factors to be granted an area variance. Rather, what is required by the Zoning Board of Appeals is the balancing test, after considering the five above referenced factors to determine whether “the benefit to the applicant if the variance is granted, as weighed against the detriment to the health, safety and welfare of the neighborhood or community by such grant”.

Justification for Granting of Area Variances

As stated above, the overall test for the granting of the requested area variances is “the benefit to the applicant if the variance is granted, as weighed against the detriment to the health, safety and welfare of the neighborhood or community by such grant”.

The **“benefit to the Applicant”** is that the Applicant is able to construct a new Burger King with its newest building design and a site layout that provides substantially more landscaping than the Zoning Ordinance requires, especially at the corner of West Main Street and South Lyon Street, which was strongly suggested by the PDC.

The benefit described above, must be weighed against the **“detriment to the health, safety and welfare of the neighborhood or community”** and no detriment exists. To the contrary, the Project redevelops several sites and actually reduces the number of curb cuts from four to two.

The five factors that must be considered for each area variance are set forth below with the criteria written in **black bold** and the Applicant’s justification for each criteria written regarding **the parking spaces variance written in red** and **the building height variance written in green**:

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1. “whether an undesirable change will be produced in the character of the neighborhood or a detriment to nearby properties will be created by the granting of the area variance”:

Parking Spaces Variance

The area variance for parking spaces will not produce an undesirable change to the character of the neighborhood or a detriment to nearby properties.

The plan reduces the parking spaces by 6 spaces which enabled the Applicant to increase its landscaping, especially at the corner of West Main Street and South Lyons at the strong suggestion of the PDC.

The reduction in parking spaces, which was a result of the increase in landscaping, will still provide ample parking.

Industry trends reveal a substantial increase in drive-thru or mobile ordering and a reduction of dining in the restaurant. For instance, a QSR article, entitled “How Drive-thru can Boost Sales Post-Pandemic²,” a copy of which is attached as Exhibit 7, states: “When the COVID-19 pandemic began, it sparked a major change in the restaurant industry: an increased focus on takeout options. Even as the world enters the recovery phase of the pandemic, several experts agree that this sudden shift to the emerging on-the-go lifestyle isn’t going anywhere.”

Moreover, an article by FOODTRUCKEMPIRE, entitled “47 Stunning Drive-Thru Statistics for 2020³,” a copy of which is attached as Exhibit 8, states: “Even before the COVID pandemic hit, between 60% – 70% of some certain quick serve restaurant’s sales came from drive thru lanes.”

This trend and data are consistent with Burger King’s internal data for its existing Batavia site: “Peak hours for our current Batavia, NY Burger King Restaurant are between the hours of 11 AM and 2 PM. Drive-through accounts for approximately 70% of our business during those hours. We typically have between 6 – 8 employees during that time and an average of 8-12 customers in the restaurant. We have monitored the parking lot during the lunch period over the last 30 days and have averaged 15 cars in the lot.”

² <https://www.qsr magazine.com/outside-insights/how-drive-thrus-can-boost-sales-post-pandemic>

³ <https://foodtruckempire.com/news/drive-thru-statistics/>

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Building Height Variance

The area variance for building height will not produce an undesirable change or a detriment to nearby properties. The variance is only for 8 inches and the building is not inconsistent with other buildings in the immediate area.

2. **“whether the benefit sought by the applicant can be achieved by some method, feasible for the applicant to pursue, other than an area variance”:**

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The initial plan reviewed by the PDC at its June 2023 meeting complied with the parking requirements and the landscape requirements of the Zoning Ordinance. However, after much discussion with the PDC, they requested additional landscaping which we have accommodated but which also led to the required variance. Accordingly, there is no feasible alternative to increase the landscaping without reducing the parking spaces which led to the need for the variance.

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The “benefit sought by the applicant” is to construct the Burger King with its newest building style. Unfortunately, the existence of a flood plain and the related engineering to address this led to an increase in grade and thus in building height. Accordingly, there is no feasible alternative to achieve the “benefit sought by the applicant.”

3. **“whether the requested area variance is substantial”:**

Parking Spaces Variance

The parking spaces area variance is a difference of 6 spaces which will not have a substantial impact given the data set forth above from Burger King and the industry articles.

Building Height Variance

An Eight inches building height variance is clearly not substantial.

4. **“whether the proposed variance will have an adverse effect or impact on the physical or environmental conditions in the neighborhood or district”:**

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No adverse physical or environmental impacts exist regarding the parking variance as it results in more greenspace and landscaping at the Project Site.

Building Height Variance

No adverse physical or environmental impacts exist regarding the fence variance because the variance is so minimal and is not inconsistent with the height of other buildings in the surrounding area.

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It can be argued that any variances sought by an applicant when they were aware of the Zoning Code provisions results in a self-created difficulty, however the need for the variance for parking spaces was caused in part by the PDC's strong suggestion to increase landscaping (even though the initial plan which complied with parking requirements also complied with the landscaping requirements). This suggestion by the PDC was agreed to by the Applicant and resulted in a better project.

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Accordingly, we request that the Area Variances be granted. Thank you for your consideration of our application.

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cc: City Planning & Development Committee
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Doug Randall E-Mail

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Sent: Thursday, July 27, 2023 4:55 PM
To: Peter Sorgi
Subject: RE: [City of Batavia NY] Proposed Burger King, W. Main / S. Lyon -- City of (Sent by Peter Sorgi, psorgi@hsmlegal.com)
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Peter,

I'll make sure this is placed on the August 15th agenda for sketch plan review.

After careful review of the definitions listed in the Batavia Municipal Code, the City has determined that the proposed Burger King project is not subject to the "Special Use Permit" requirements for "Drive-in Restaurants". "Restaurants and other places for serving food" is a permitted principal use within the C-2 General Commercial district. An area variance will not be required for item number 1 and 2 listed below. Variances will be needed for the building height and number of off-street parking spaces. I have attached a ZBA application for your use.

The individual parcels that comprise this development, 4 South Lyon, 301-305 West Main, and 307 West Main, will need to be merged prior to permit issuance. The PDC could approve the project with that condition. The City does not need to approve the mergers.

The subdivision of 6-8 South Lyon St. can be approved in this office as a "Lot Division". I have attached an application and information detailing the process.

Let me know if you have any questions.

Doug

Exhibit 4

Short Environmental Assessment Form

Short Environmental Assessment Form

Part 1 - Project Information

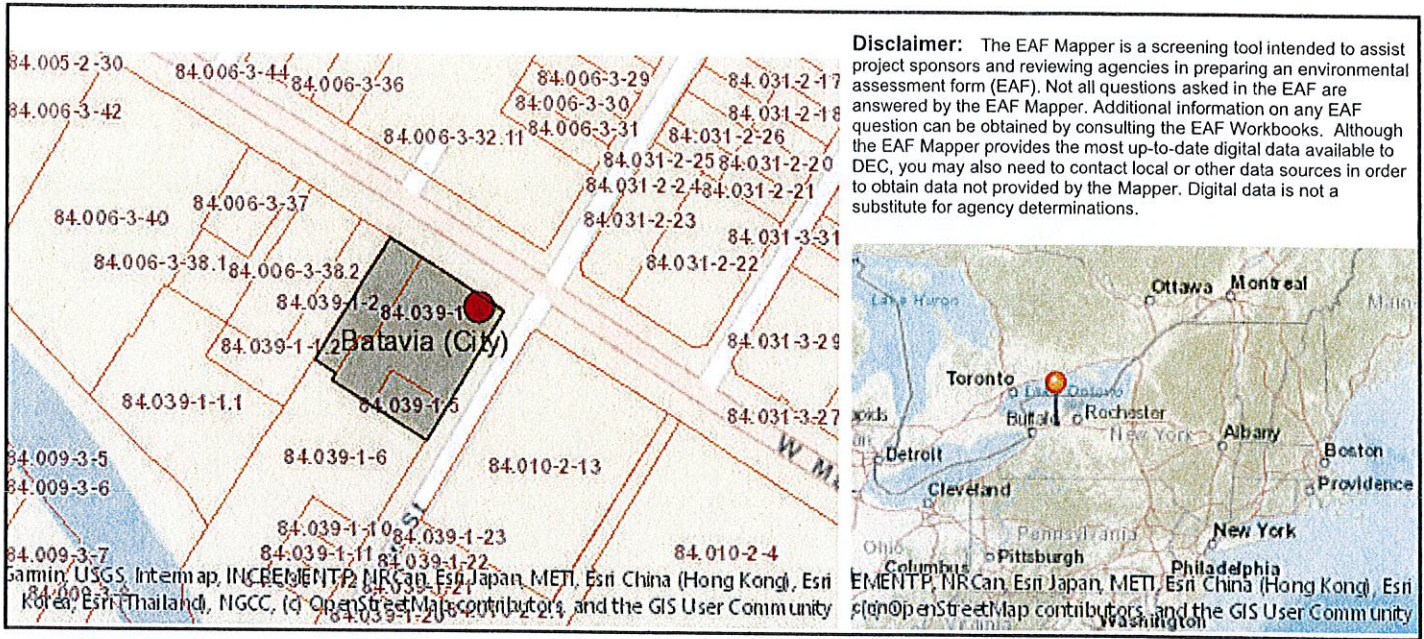
Instructions for Completing

Part 1 – Project Information. The applicant or project sponsor is responsible for the completion of Part 1. Responses become part of the application for approval or funding, are subject to public review, and may be subject to further verification. Complete Part 1 based on information currently available. If additional research or investigation would be needed to fully respond to any item, please answer as thoroughly as possible based on current information.

Complete all items in Part 1. You may also provide any additional information which you believe will be needed by or useful to the lead agency; attach additional pages as necessary to supplement any item.

Part 1 – Project and Sponsor Information				
Name of Action or Project: Burger King, City of Batavia				
Project Location (describe, and attach a location map): 301-305 West Main Street, 307 West Main Street, 4 South Lyon Steet and Portion of 6 South Lyon Street, City of Batavia, NY				
Brief Description of Proposed Action: The Applicant seeks to construct a new Burger King restaurant consisting of the construction of a new 3,140± square feet Burger King with a drive-thru, a mobile order land and related site infrastructure, parking and site improvements. This project would relocate the existing Burger King located nearby at 230 West Main Street.				
Name of Applicant or Sponsor: Carrols LLC		Telephone: (315) 409-8692 E-Mail: dbeachel@carrols.com		
Address: 968 James Street				
City/PO: Syracuse	State: NY	Zip Code: 13203		
1. Does the proposed action only involve the legislative adoption of a plan, local law, ordinance, administrative rule, or regulation? If Yes, attach a narrative description of the intent of the proposed action and the environmental resources that may be affected in the municipality and proceed to Part 2. If no, continue to question 2.			NO <input type="checkbox"/>	YES <input type="checkbox"/>
2. Does the proposed action require a permit, approval or funding from any other government Agency? If Yes, list agency(s) name and permit or approval: NYSDOT (curb cut), NYSDEC (SPDES permit), Genesee County Health Department, City Planning (Site Plan), City Building (Subdivision)			NO <input type="checkbox"/>	YES <input type="checkbox"/>
3. a. Total acreage of the site of the proposed action? _____ 1.11 acres b. Total acreage to be physically disturbed? _____ 1.11 acres c. Total acreage (project site and any contiguous properties) owned or controlled by the applicant or project sponsor? _____ 1.11 acres				
4. Check all land uses that occur on, are adjoining or near the proposed action: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Urban <input type="checkbox"/> Rural (non-agriculture) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Industrial <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Commercial <input type="checkbox"/> Residential (suburban) <input type="checkbox"/> Forest <input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Aquatic <input type="checkbox"/> Other(Specify): <input type="checkbox"/> Parkland				

		NO	YES	N/A
5. Is the proposed action,	a. A permitted use under the zoning regulations?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	b. Consistent with the adopted comprehensive plan?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6. Is the proposed action consistent with the predominant character of the existing built or natural landscape?		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	NO YES
7. Is the site of the proposed action located in, or does it adjoin, a state listed Critical Environmental Area? If Yes, identify: _____		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	NO YES
8. a. Will the proposed action result in a substantial increase in traffic above present levels? b. Are public transportation services available at or near the site of the proposed action? c. Are any pedestrian accommodations or bicycle routes available on or near the site of the proposed action?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	NO YES
		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
9. Does the proposed action meet or exceed the state energy code requirements? If the proposed action will exceed requirements, describe design features and technologies: _____ _____		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	NO YES
10. Will the proposed action connect to an existing public/private water supply? If No, describe method for providing potable water: _____ _____		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	NO YES
11. Will the proposed action connect to existing wastewater utilities? If No, describe method for providing wastewater treatment: _____ _____		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	NO YES
12. a. Does the project site contain, or is it substantially contiguous to, a building, archaeological site, or district which is listed on the National or State Register of Historic Places, or that has been determined by the Commissioner of the NYS Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation to be eligible for listing on the State Register of Historic Places? b. Is the project site, or any portion of it, located in or adjacent to an area designated as sensitive for archaeological sites on the NY State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) archaeological site inventory?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	NO YES
		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
13. a. Does any portion of the site of the proposed action, or lands adjoining the proposed action, contain wetlands or other waterbodies regulated by a federal, state or local agency? b. Would the proposed action physically alter, or encroach into, any existing wetland or waterbody? If Yes, identify the wetland or waterbody and extent of alterations in square feet or acres: _____ _____ _____		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	NO YES
		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	



B.i.i [Coastal or Waterfront Area]	No
B.i.ii [Local Waterfront Revitalization Area]	No
C.2.b. [Special Planning District]	Digital mapping data are not available or are incomplete. Refer to EAF Workbook.
E.1.h [DEC Spills or Remediation Site - Potential Contamination History]	Digital mapping data are not available or are incomplete. Refer to EAF Workbook.
E.1.h.i [DEC Spills or Remediation Site - Listed]	Digital mapping data are not available or are incomplete. Refer to EAF Workbook.
E.1.h.i [DEC Spills or Remediation Site - Environmental Site Remediation Database]	Digital mapping data are not available or are incomplete. Refer to EAF Workbook.
E.1.h.iii [Within 2,000' of DEC Remediation Site]	No
E.2.g [Unique Geologic Features]	No
E.2.h.i [Surface Water Features]	No
E.2.h.ii [Surface Water Features]	Yes
E.2.h.iii [Surface Water Features]	Yes - Digital mapping information on local and federal wetlands and waterbodies is known to be incomplete. Refer to EAF Workbook.
E.2.h.v [Impaired Water Bodies]	No
E.2.i. [Floodway]	Digital mapping data are not available or are incomplete. Refer to EAF Workbook.
E.2.j. [100 Year Floodplain]	Digital mapping data are not available or are incomplete. Refer to EAF Workbook.
E.2.k. [500 Year Floodplain]	Digital mapping data are not available or are incomplete. Refer to EAF Workbook.
E.2.l. [Aquifers]	Yes
E.2.l. [Aquifer Names]	Principal Aquifer, Primary Aquifer
E.2.n. [Natural Communities]	No

E.2.o. [Endangered or Threatened Species]	No
E.2.p. [Rare Plants or Animals]	No
E.3.a. [Agricultural District]	No
E.3.c. [National Natural Landmark]	No
E.3.d [Critical Environmental Area]	No
E.3.e. [National or State Register of Historic Places or State Eligible Sites]	Digital mapping data are not available or are incomplete. Refer to EAF Workbook.
E.3.f. [Archeological Sites]	Yes
E.3.i. [Designated River Corridor]	No

Exhibit 5

Section 190-
39(A)(3)(a)(27) of the
Zoning Ordinance

- H. Industrial sewage wastes. It shall be unlawful for any person, firm or corporation to permit the discharge of industrial wastes of any nature, into an open stream, until it is treated according to the regulations set by the New York State Departments of Health and Environmental Conservation. Any wastes discharged into a public sewer shall be treated in accordance with the regulations established in Chapter 147 of the Code of the City of Batavia.
- I. Radioactive materials. It shall be unlawful for any person, firm or corporation to permit the emission of such quantities of radioactive materials, in any nature whatever, such as to be unsafe as established by the United States Bureau of Standards.
- J. Electrical interference. It shall be unlawful for any use, activity or process to be conducted which produces electromagnetic interference with radio or television reception in neighboring residential or commercial districts.
- K. Outside storage. All materials which might cause fumes or dust or which constitute a fire hazard or which may be edible by or otherwise be attractive to rodents or insects shall be stored outdoors only in closed containers.
- L. Noncompliance.
 - (1) If it has been adequately demonstrated to the Board of Appeals that compliance with the terms of this chapter cannot be effectively and immediately made, the Code Enforcement Officer shall have the authority to grant a temporary permit for the continued operation of such noncomplying equipment, but only in the event that the party has taken all necessary steps to secure compliance with this chapter.
 - (2) Such temporary permit shall be issued for no longer a period than three months, at the expiration of which period of time the party holding such permit shall be deemed in violation of this chapter.

§ 190-39. Parking requirements. [Amended 2-22-1982; 8-14-2000]

For every building or structure erected, altered, or extended after the enactment of this chapter there shall be provided parking facilities of vehicle storage as set forth below. As defined in this chapter an off-street parking space shall measure no less than eight feet in width and 19 feet in depth and include sufficient space for aisles and maneuverability.

A. Off-street parking.

- (1) Purpose: The City finds that large and highly visible parking areas represent one of the most objectionable aspects of commercial development. Such parking lots may damage the historic layout and architectural fabric of historic areas, harm the natural environment and visual character of the community, interfere with pedestrian safety and accessibility and reduce the quality of life in developed areas, as measured by the City's Visual Preference Survey™. However, the City also recognizes that inadequate parking can diminish quality of life by creating traffic congestion, safety hazards and inconvenience. The City therefore seeks to balance the need for adequate parking with the need to minimize harm resulting from the provision of parking and to avoid the negative impacts of excessive parking requirements.
- (2) Residential and related uses. Minimum parking spaces required for residential and related uses:
 - (a) For single family or two-family dwelling: two spaces per dwelling unit.
 - (b) For multifamily dwellings, large-scale multifamily and high-rise apartments: 1 1/2 spaces per dwelling unit.

- (c) Home occupation in a dwelling: one space for each 400 square feet devoted to such home occupation, plus the required spaces per dwelling unit.
 - (d) These requirements may be reduced for dwelling units with less than 1,000 square feet of floor space, senior citizen housing, mixed-use development or other appropriate circumstances if the Planning and Development Committee determines that such reductions are warranted.
- (3) Nonresidential uses. The number and layout of parking spaces for nonresidential uses shall be based on the need to protect public safety and convenience while minimizing harm to the character of the community and to environmental, historic and scenic resources. Since businesses vary widely in their need for off-street parking, it is most appropriate to establish parking requirements based on the specific operational characteristics of the proposed uses. The provisional parking standards in Subsection A(3)(a) below may be varied by the Planning and Development Committee according to the criteria in subsection A(3)(b).
- (a) Provisional parking standards.
 - [1] Art gallery or museum: one space per 400 square feet of floor area plus one space per two employees.
 - [2] Auditorium, movie theater or other places of public assembly: one space for each two employees and five seats.
 - [3] Auto rental: one space per 250 square feet of sales floor area plus one space per company vehicle.
 - [4] Auto repair: one space per 200 square feet of sales floor area plus one space per 600 square feet of service floor area, plus one space per company vehicle.
 - [5] Auto sales: one space per 200 square feet of enclosed sales floor area, plus one space per 600 square feet of service floor area, plus one space per company vehicle.
 - [6] Bakery: one space per 200 square feet of sales plus one space per two employees.
 - [7] Bank (with drive-in and walk-in facilities): one space for each 100 square feet of floor area for customers plus one space for each 250 square feet devoted to office use.
 - [8] Barbershop/beauty parlor: one space per 200 square feet plus one space per two employees.
 - [9] Boardinghouse or rooming house: one space for each roomer owning and/or keeping a motor vehicle. **[Amended 7-13-2015 by L.L. No. 2-2015]**
 - [10] Bowling alley: five spaces for each lane of the bowling alley.
 - [11] Car wash: one space per bay plus one space per two employees
 - [12] Church, synagogue or other place of worship: one space per eight seats.
 - [13] Clubs and lodges: one space per four seats plus one space per two employees.
 - [14] Convalescent center or nursing home: one space per two beds plus one space per two employees.
 - [15] Convenience store: one space per 200 square feet of sales floor area, plus one space per two employees.
 - [16] Day-care center: two spaces plus one space for each employee.

- [17] Funeral home: one space per four seats, plus one space per two employees, plus one reserved space for each hearse or company vehicle.
 - [18] Furniture store: one space per 400 square feet of sales floor area.
 - [19] Gas station: five spaces per facility or, if the station's floor area is primarily devoted to convenience store items, then one space per 200 square feet of floor area.
 - [20] Hospital: one space per two beds plus one space per two employees.
 - [21] Hotel, motel or bed-and-breakfast: one parking space per guest room plus one parking space per four employees.
 - [22] Library: one space per 300 square feet of floor area.
 - [23] Manufacturing/industrial: one space per two employees, plus one space per company vehicle.
 - [24] Night club: one space per four seats.
 - [25] Office (not including medical or dental offices): one space per 300 square feet of professional office floor area.
 - [26] Office, medical/dental: one space per 200 square feet of building area.
 - [27] Restaurant: one space per 100 square feet of leasable area.
 - [28] Retail store: one space per 300 square feet of sales floor area plus one space per two employees.
 - [29] School, elementary: one space per employee plus two spaces per classroom.
 - [30] School, high school: five spaces for each classroom.
 - [31] Shopping center: one space per 250 square feet of gross leasable area
 - [32] Supermarket: one space per 300 square feet of sales floor area plus one space per two employees.
- (b) Criteria for applying provisional standards. In applying or modifying the provisional parking standards for any proposed use, the Planning and Development Committee shall consider:
- [1] The maximum number of persons who would be driving to the use at times of peak usage. Parking spaces shall be sufficient to satisfy 85% of the anticipated peak demand. The likelihood of people walking or bicycling to the proposed use shall also be taken into consideration.
 - [2] The size of the structure(s) and site.
 - [3] The environmental, scenic or historic sensitivity of the site (including applicable limitations on impermeable surfaces). In cases where sufficient area for parking cannot be created on the site without disturbance to these resource values, the Planning and Development Committee or Code Enforcement Officer may require a reduction in the size of the structure so that the available parking will be sufficient.
 - [4] The availability of safely usable on-street parking.
 - [5] The availability of off-site, off-street parking within 400 feet that is open to the public, owned or controlled by the applicant, or available on a shared-use basis, provided that the applicant demonstrates a legal right to shared use. Availability of available satellite parking shall also

Exhibit 6

Section 190-37(E)(2)(d)
of the Zoning
Ordinance

- (7) Not more than 40% of the lot area shall be covered by building area.
 - (8) Each building shall be provided with at least one passenger elevator and one service/passenger elevator.
 - (9) One project identification sign shall be permitted which shall not exceed 25 square feet in area and shall be situated not less than 10 feet within the property lines. The sign may include only the name of the project, the street address, and the presence or lack of vacancies.
- D. Cleaning establishments. Cleaning establishments may be permitted by special use permit in the C-2 General Commercial and Industrial Districts, provided that:
- (1) It shall be determined that the proposed use is compatible in the adjoining land uses.
 - (2) The proposed use will not adversely affect the general health, safety and welfare of the public.
 - (3) The applicant shall indicate precautions taken to protect the general health, safety and welfare of the public.
- E. Automobile service stations; garages; drive-in restaurants. Automobile service stations and/or garages for the storage, adjustment or repair of motor vehicles, drive-in restaurants and other similar uses where specific attention and consideration must be given to traffic generation and the disruption of traffic flow as well as the danger to the general public due to hazards by fire and explosion may be permitted by special use permit in C-2, I-1 and I-2 Districts, provided that: **[Amended 11-9-2020 by Ord. No. 2-2020]**
- (1) A site plan shall be prepared to show the location of buildings, parking areas, and driveways. In addition, the site plan shall show the number and location of fuel tanks to be installed; the dimensions and capacity of each storage tank; the depth the tanks will be placed below the ground; the number and location of pumps to be installed; the type of structure and accessory buildings to be constructed; the location, height, and lighting power of proposed lighting standards; and the manner in which buffering is to be provided.
 - (2) Automobile service stations and drive-in restaurants shall have the following yard restrictions:
 - (a) A minimum lot size of 15,000 square feet with a minimum width of 125 feet.
 - (b) Minimum front and side yard areas of 25 feet with a minimum rear yard of 35 feet.
 - (c) Maximum lot coverage of 20%.
 - (d) Maximum building height of one story or 18 feet.
 - (3) Driveways at service stations, drive-in restaurants and other uses providing drive-in service shall not be less than 20 feet nor more than 24 feet in width at any point. Driveways must be at least 20 feet from any side lot line and 50 feet from the intersection of street lines. No more than two driveways shall be permitted for each 125 feet of street frontage.
 - (4) The entire area of the site traveled by motor vehicles shall be hard surfaced.
 - (5) Any repair of motor vehicles shall be performed in a fully enclosed building, and no motor vehicle shall be offered for sale on the site. No motor vehicle parts or partially dismantled motor vehicles shall be stored outside an enclosed building.
 - (6) Accessory goods for sale may be displayed on the pump island and the building island only. The outdoor display of oil cans and/or antifreeze and similar products may be displayed on the respective island if provided for in a suitable stand or rack.
 - (7) All fuel pumps shall be located at least 20 feet from any street or property line and pumps shall have automatic shutoffs as approved by the Fire Department.

Exhibit 7

QSR Article, entitled
“How Drive-thru can
Boost Sales Post-
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Last year, PJ Coffee's drive-thru locations averaged 53.4 percent more revenue than locations without a drive-thru.

When the COVID-19 pandemic began, it sparked a major change in the restaurant industry: an increased focus on takeout options. Even as the world enters the recovery phase of the pandemic, several experts agree that this sudden shift to the emerging on-the-go lifestyle isn't going anywhere.

Ahead of National Drive-Thru Day on July 24, we're taking a closer look at the positive impact drive-thrus can have for quick-service restaurant concepts.

PJ's Coffee, the New Orleans-based, direct trade coffee roaster, experienced firsthand how having a drive-thru at their locations impacted sales. Last year, their drive-thru locations averaged 53.4 percent more revenue than locations without a drive-thru. Furthermore, drive-thru purchases make up 65 percent of their total sales overall at drive-thru enabled locations.

They embraced this increase in drive-thru traffic by launching innovative concepts, such as drive-thru only locations. So what does this mean for quick-service restaurant brands as a whole, and what can they do to make the most of this ongoing trend?

To-go is for good. With options like in-store pickup, curbside pickup, delivery and- of course- drive thrus, there are endless possibilities when it comes to targeting "on-the-go" customers. Drive-thrus, in particular, are an excellent way to address this increased demand.

Unlike other to-go options, drive-thrus do not charge customers an additional service fee to use. They are also the perfect pit stop for drivers on the way to work, school, the gym, or wherever their destination may be. For years, it has been apparent that one of the factors that customers value the most is convenience. Drive-thrus allow quick-service restaurant concepts to fulfill this need and maintain a competitive edge.

It's time to get creative. Just as PJ's Coffee did, getting creative with how your locations are set up is just one way to maximize your profits. This can best be demonstrated by the PJ's Coffee drive-thru only model, which is beneficial to the brand as a whole and to their individual franchisees. Given

the smaller space, this model requires less investment to open, but can be just as busy- if not busier- than traditional locations. At PJ's, it can save franchisees as much as \$100,000 on their investment.

This unique model also offers franchisees the benefit of simple operations. The smaller space means they will have more awareness of everything that is going on at a given time and it allows them to manage their location more efficiently versus having to pace back and forth between the dining area and drive-thru.

The rollout of this model was accelerated by the pandemic, which forced quick-service restaurant establishments to close their dining rooms. PJ's was quick to notice that some of their stores were doing just as well having only their drive-thrus up and running, and they adapted accordingly. Many of these drive-thru locations are in high-traffic areas, such as right off a freeway or in the midst of a busy intersection.

Signage works wonders. For traditional establishments, drive-thrus themselves serve as an additional revenue stream. What if there was a way to enhance this revenue stream even further? One way to reap the benefits of a strong drive-thru model is by increasing signage. Whether it be signs letting customers know that your drive-thru is nearby or exterior signage at your location promoting LTOs or other promotions, generating awareness is a great place to start when it comes to driving traffic and sales.

Integration is key. Of course, with the abundance of to-go options, it's important to be able to manage your takeout platform effectively. The PJ's Coffee mobile app offers a convenient way for customers to order and pay ahead of time, as well as a quick way for them to find a PJ's to make a pit stop at when they're out and about. In terms of the drive-thru, this also means making sure everything is set up efficiently on the back end. Ensuring your processes are running smoothly will set you up for success and allow you to take advantage of all the perks that drive-thrus allow their operators.

Overall, drive-thrus are an excellent way to fulfill the needs of busy customers and offer a lower investment option to franchisees, all while increasing your revenue. PJ's Coffee is even celebrating the success they have seen with drive-thrus with their "Drive-Thru SurPRIZE" contest on National Drive-Thru Day, where select locations will be offering an array of prizes and PJ's swag to customers who steer their way into the drive-thru lane.

Keeping up with the trends is one way to manifest success, but staying ahead of them with innovative thinking is a way to ensure it- just take it from PJ's Coffee.

*Since 2010, **Ryan Stansbury** has served as the Vice President of Franchise Development for Ballard Brands. With over 20 years of franchise development experience, Mr. Stansbury's primary responsibility is to facilitate domestic and international growth of a portfolio of retail brands. Mr. Stansbury is also a Certified Franchise Executive (CFE), a designation issued by the International Franchising Association in February of 2007 for his work and study in the franchise.*

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Exhibit 8

QSR Article, entitled
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Statistics for 2020



47 Stunning Drive-Thru Industry Statistics for 2020

By [Patrick Limdico](#) | May 29th, 2020 | [Industry News](#) | [Comments Off](#)

Since their inception in the 1960s, the drive-thru has been a growing channel of fast food industry sales. But in 2020 as the global pandemic has hit, the drive-thru became a mission critical sales channel for preserving store revenue.

Even before the COVID pandemic hit, between 60% – 70% of some certain quick serve restaurant's sales came from drive thru lanes. In the current environment Wendy's reported generating 90% of all business from drive thru. Those are staggering numbers even given the current environment.

But it's not just traditional fast food that have taken note of this channel. The coffee industry, particularly Starbucks **accelerated their strategy** add more drive-thru's and less mall locations.



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Based on the data, you can expect many more restaurants and coffee shops to add drive-thru options over the next decade. Let's examine some of the industry statistics and data-backed predictions for this sales channel organized by category.

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Drive-Thru Fast Facts



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Coffee chains like Starbucks are adding more drive-thru service locations over the next 18 months.

Drive thru sales represent 70% of fast food sales which generates billions of dollars for the industry each month.

(The New York Times)

According to the NPD Group, a leading market research company, 57% of hamburger fast food customers use the drive-thru lane, 40% with Mexican QSRs, and 38% of chicken fast food customers went straight to drive through lanes.



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\$8.3 billion just this last March, an increase of \$300 million compared to the same period in 2019. (The New York Times)

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In a survey made in 2015 on customers favorite drive-thru restaurants yielded McDonald's at the top, followed by Burger King and Wendy's.

Back in 2009, Wendy's was the fastest serving drive thru with an 134 second average service time, while Chick-fil-A got a high grade for accuracy of orders served with a whopping 96%.

Drive thru and Climate Change



- According to a study made by the U.S. Govern having your engine idle longer than 10 second consumes more fuel and generates more emis than restarting your engine. The government s that an idle engine in a drive-thru is both bad fi

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laws banning the creation of new drive thru in fast food restaurants with Minneapolis recently joining the group of states. (World Economic Forum)

Drive-Through Coffee Statistics

- Recognizing higher profits, Starbucks announced last year that they would include a drive-thru on 60% of new coffee shops to be built (pre-pandemic figures).
(Nextep Systems)
- In the drive-thru industry, Starbucks still lags behind major competitors such as McDonald's and Dunkin'.
(Bloomberg)
- An espresso drive-thru can sell an average of 250 cups of coffee drinks and espresso in any given day.
(Nextep Systems)
- An order of tea, coffee, and a peanut butter cookie takes around 6 minutes on a typical Thursday in Chicago. During that time, 6 cars lined up showing customer eagerness to wait despite the long wait. (Bloomberg)

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- According to restaurant consultant, Tom Cook of King-Casey, 70% of customers go for drive thru in Starbucks with car service while only a small percentage stayed inside. (Bloomberg)

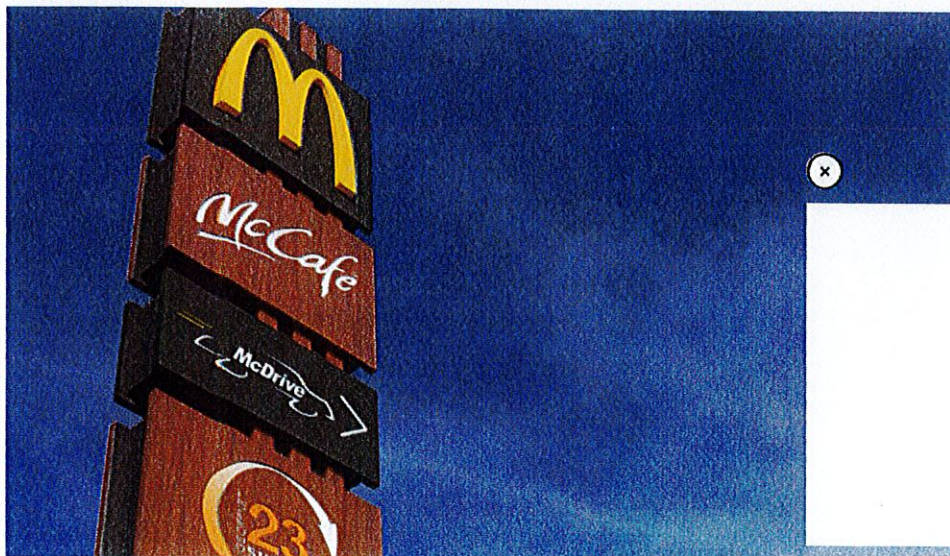
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Last year, customers waited an average of 255 seconds in a drive-thru lane, 20 seconds more compared to 2018. (Forbes)

McDonald's came last in a SeeLevel HX study made last 2018, with 273.29 seconds. ([QSRMagazine.com](#))

In a study made last year, Dunkin' came in as the fastest serving fast food drive thru with 217 seconds, while Chick-fil-A came in last with 323 seconds or about 5 minutes and 20 seconds from speaker box to window. (Today)

Despite setting the benchmark in 2011, Wendy's record of 116 seconds serving time 2003 hasn't been beat yet. Wendy's in 2011 posted an industry-best average time of only 145 seconds, followed by Taco Bell with 146 The slowest average time was held by McDonald's with 184 seconds that same yea



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In a QSR survey done in 2013, the former fastest serving fast food chain (Wendy's) clocked in at 133 seconds. Ten years prior, Wendy's went for a record-setting time of 116 seconds of serving time. (Today)

Last year, Wendy's and Burger King were 2nd and 3rd in the ranking, each posting a serving time of 210 and 213 seconds respectively. (Statista)

The acceptable time limit with customers is between 3 to 4 minutes. Anything beyond that is unsatisfactory according to experts.



A SeeLevel HX study made between June 1 to July 30 in 2018 of 10 fast food chain's speed of service, Burger King came out on top with 193.31 seconds or about 3 m and 22 seconds. (QSRMagazine)

Deterioration in the speed of service times has caused food stats to decline in recent years. Despite maintaining a range of 2 to 3 minutes serving time, the fast food industry should not disregard this to sustain consumer satisfaction

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A QSR Magazine study revealed that Chick-fil-A has the longest drive-through lines in the marketplace of the time, an average of 6 or more vehicles lined up in their drive-thru lanes, a number greater than any of their competitors. (Statista)

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Back in 2013, QSR Magazine reported that 65% of McDonald's sales in the U.S. came from drive-thru customers.

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In 2018, Dunkin' introduced its dual-lane drive through system. Chipotle unveiled the "Chipotlanes" in 2019, its own version of the said drive through. (CNBC)

Complex items, as well as higher volume orders, were seen as factors affecting slower serving time in drive throughs across the fast food industry, according to a survey. (Today)

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CHICK-FIL-A had the best order accuracy rate according to a 2019 study made by industry publisher, QSR. (Statista)

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60% of Chick-fil-A's drive throughs have employees taking orders outside the queue. (Forbes)

Depending on how you tally them, but there is an estimated 200,000 drive-thru operations across the United States. (Altrends)

Convenience, menu variety, and price are how customers rate their favorite drive-thru restaurants according to a survey made in 2015. (AYTM)

34% of customers eat on-site at quick-service Mexican restaurants with drive-thru, while 26% do takeouts. It's a different story with chicken fast food chains with 25% dining in while 36% order to-go.

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COVID-19 has closed dine-in service.



Starbucks, Taco Bell, and Chick-fil-A are just some of the fast food chains pushing for their patrons to get their food via takeout. The 3 companies are making full use of drive through lanes to disburse their food while maintaining distancing among customers. (CNBC)

Curbside pick up in fast food chains is gaining popularity. It offers the best option to distribute their food. It's fresher and hotter, convenient, and it eliminates the need for a delivery person. Claiming food from curbside pick

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Being a pioneer in the fast food industry, McDonald's is seen as the one who could weather through this pandemic among all of its rivals. McDonald's has invested largely on its drive throughs by putting up digital menu boards that entice customers to order bigger, more premium items. (The New York Times)

Our world is heading towards the "new normal", a society with less to no-touch/contact, triggering certain industries to innovate with ways to deliver their product. Some fast food chains are now turning to curbside pick up to limit customer-staff contact. It also provides a better control process as well as maintaining food quality from kitchen to consumer. Curbside pick up is seen as a more safe and sanitary way of handling food than 3rd party delivery services. (QSR Web)

The current health emergency will make every restaurant consider adding drive thru service. This includes separate take-out/curbside pick up lanes and a new kitchen ^(x) dedicated for off-premises dining. This move is expected to be the new standard moving forward. (QSR Web)

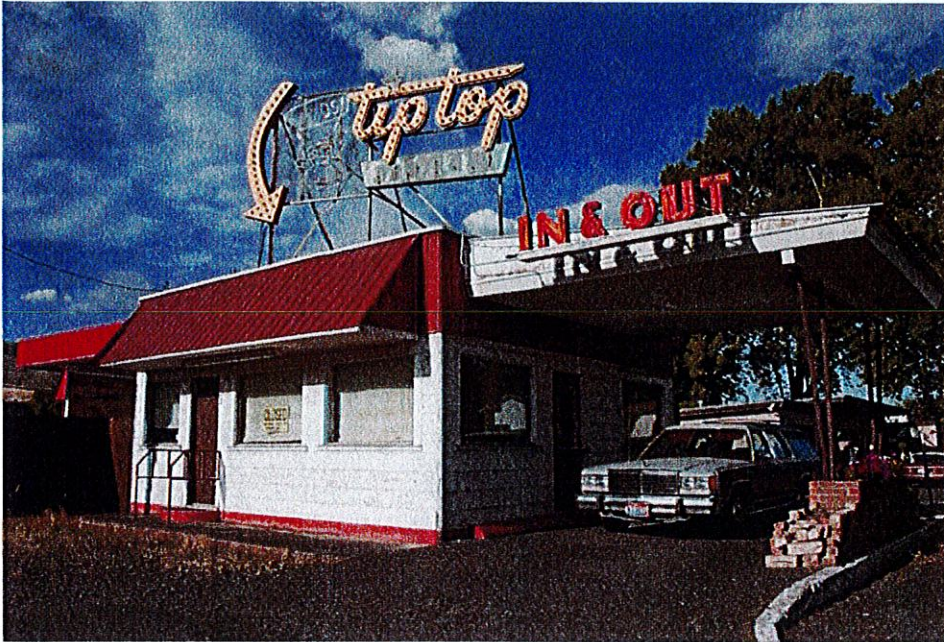
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Vintage drive-thru restaurant from the 1960s.

Chipotle is planning to add “Chipotlanes” in 60 locations by the end of 2019, this includes putting up drive through lanes in more than half of the new locations in 2020 (pre-pandemic figures). ([Business Insider](#))

McDonald’s bought a company last year for \$300 million to enhance its menu boards.



McDonald’s acquisition of tech startup companies with on-the-side retooling shows a promising sign for drive-thru renaissance. ([Business Insider](#))

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San Diego based Jack in the Box chose to streamline their plans of remodeling their old chains by concentrating on drive thru. These upgrades include adding more canopies, LED lighting, and improved digital menu boards.

(Restaurant Business)

Chipotle isn't alone in looking at a more high-tech drive thru. Dunkin' and Starbucks shops are already in the testing stage of drive thru pick up lanes utilizing mobile orders. (Business Insider)

Chipotlanes exhibit the fusion of efficiency with tailor-made technology. Using their app or ordering through their website, customers can effortlessly pick up their food from these windows quickly. Chipotle shows the way for other fast food chains to follow by adapting to available technology. (Restaurant Business)

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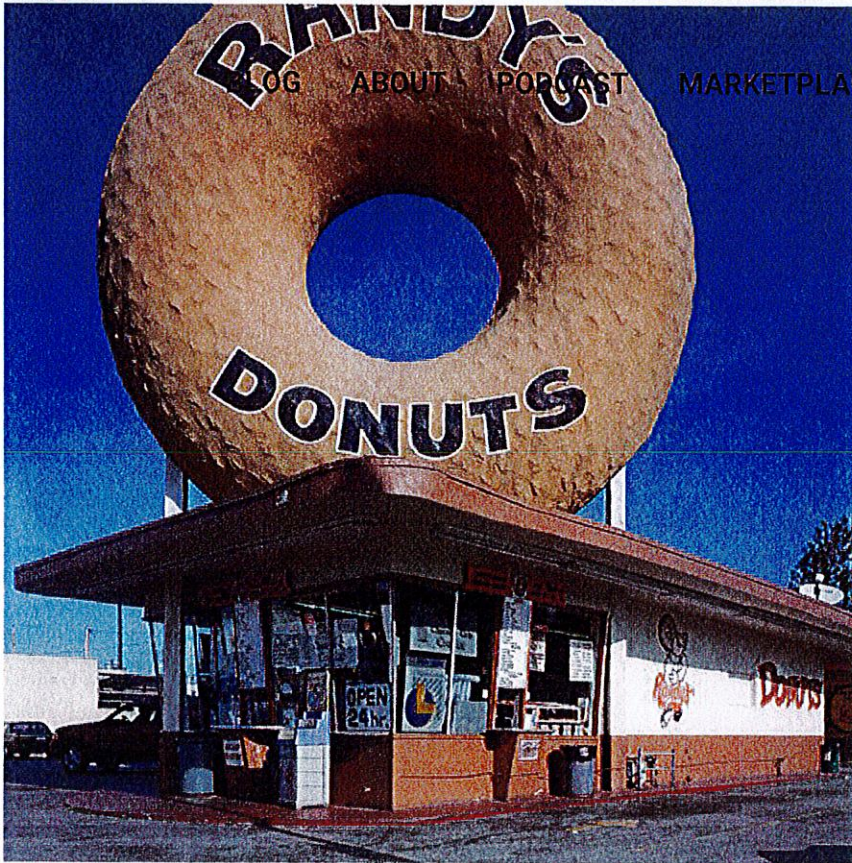


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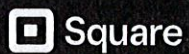
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What's next for the drive-thru and take out industry?



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Since a large portion of fast food sales comes from sales channel, fast-food chains are expected to we through the current global health crisis better than

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meal is complete, an employee will hand deliver the food through the car door window.

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The drive thru is viewed as a lifeline for most fast food chains which are just some of the industries expected to take a big hit with this current global pandemic.

Despite the grim outlook, the food industry is adapting to the “new normal” by introducing innovative ways to distribute their food to their customers. With McDonald’s and Chipotle leading the way, other fast food chains are sure to follow their lead in an effort to survive the current crisis.

Unfortunately according to studies, drive through lanes remain piled up with an average waiting time of 255 seconds or around 4.25 minutes from the speaker box to the window. This can be attributed to complex menus to unexpected volume orders among other factors that delay the serving of the so-called “fast food”.

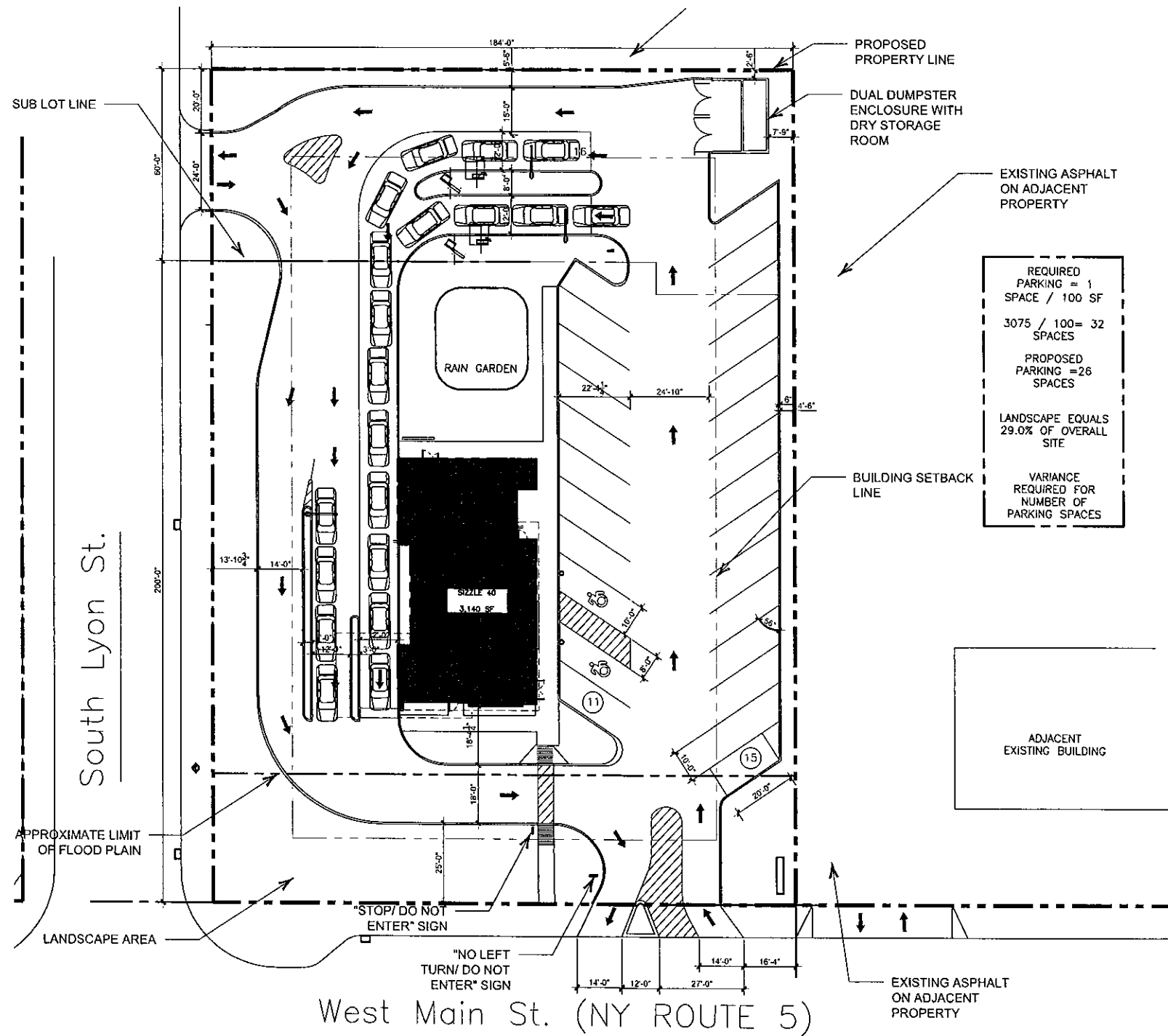


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 3075 / 100 = 32 SPACES
 PROPOSED PARKING = 26 SPACES
 LANDSCAPE EQUALS 29.0% OF OVERALL SITE
 VARIANCE REQUIRED FOR NUMBER OF PARKING SPACES

Variances Required

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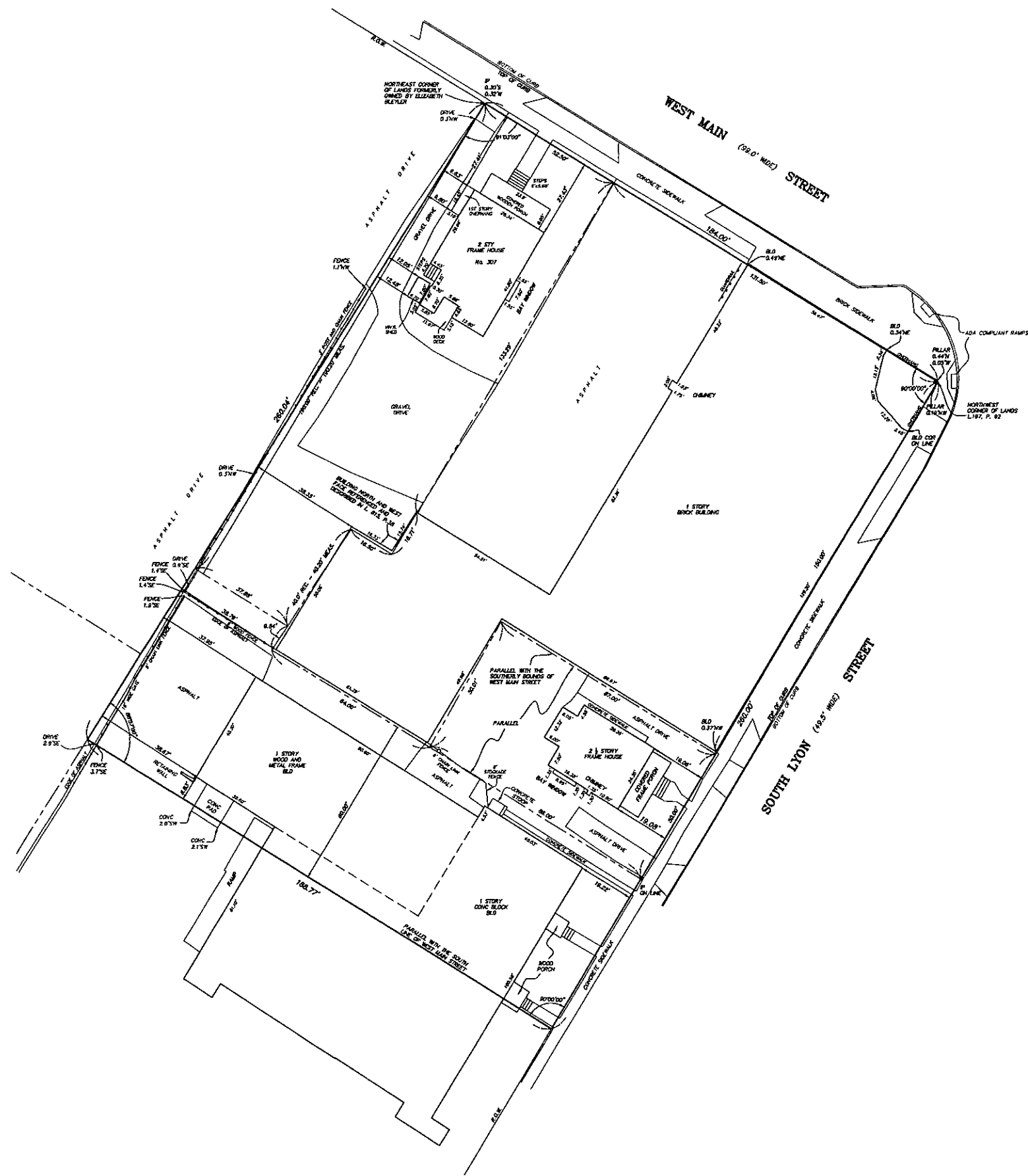
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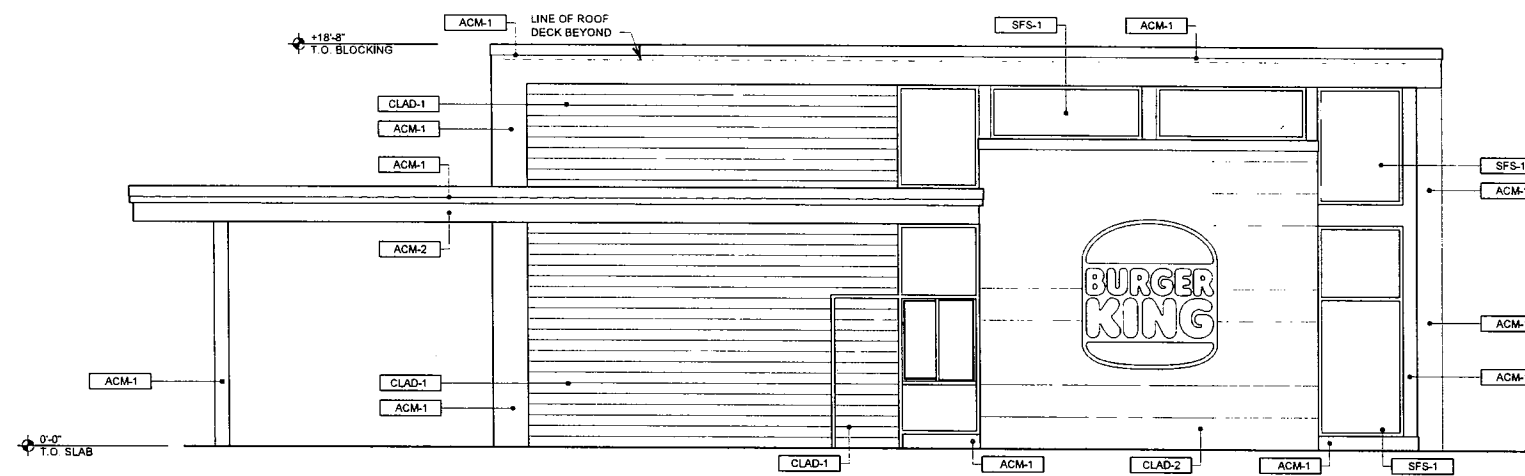
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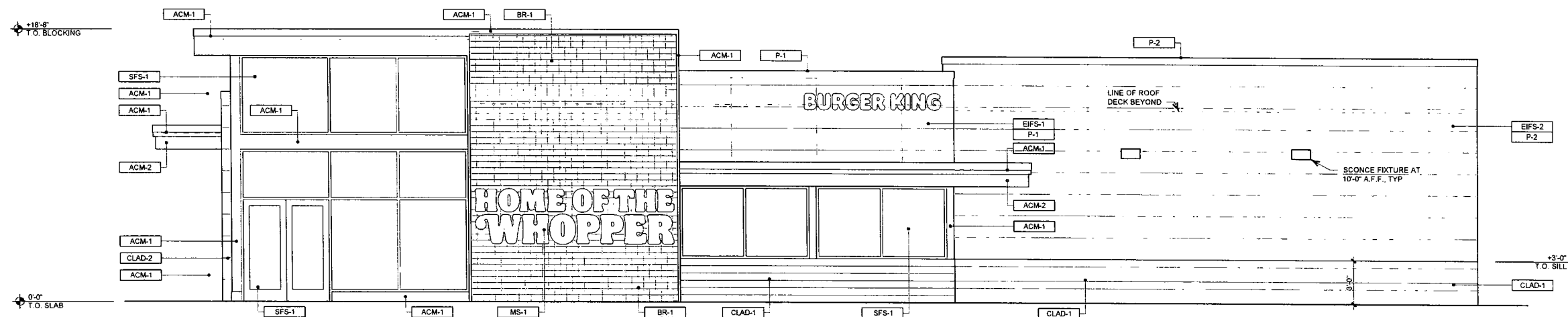
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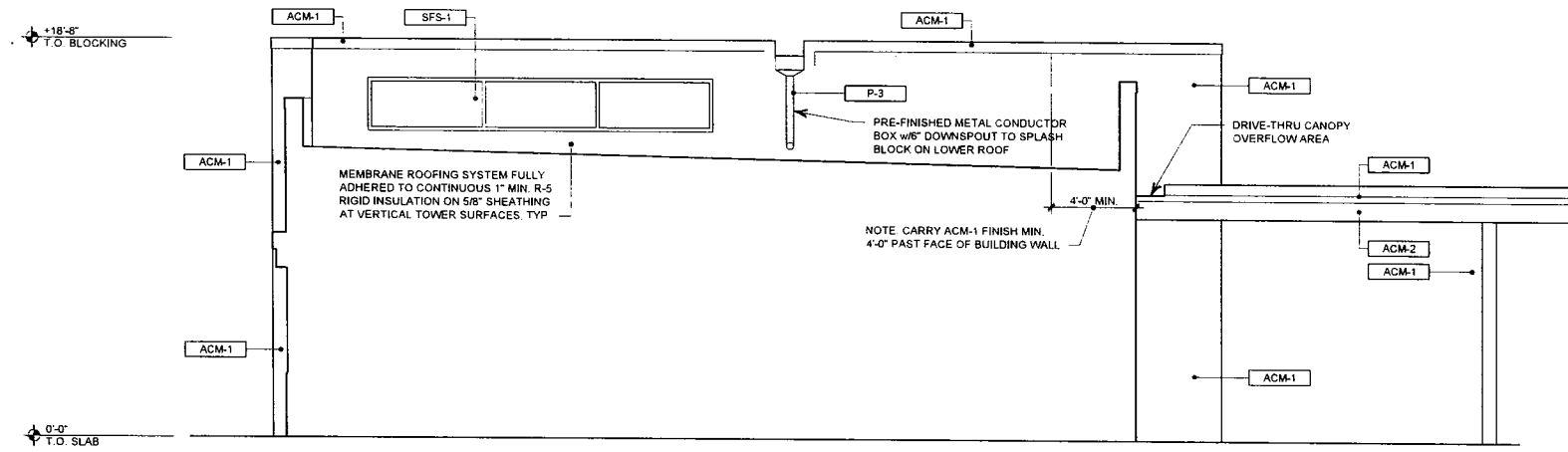
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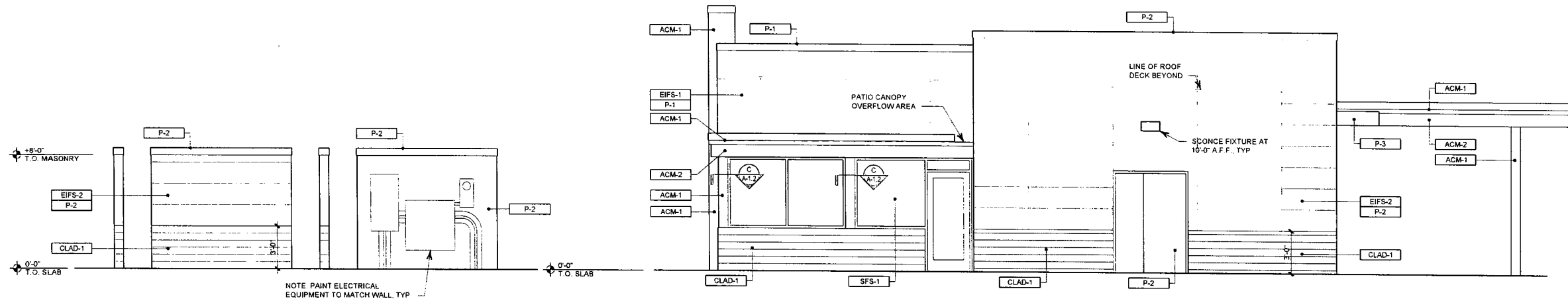
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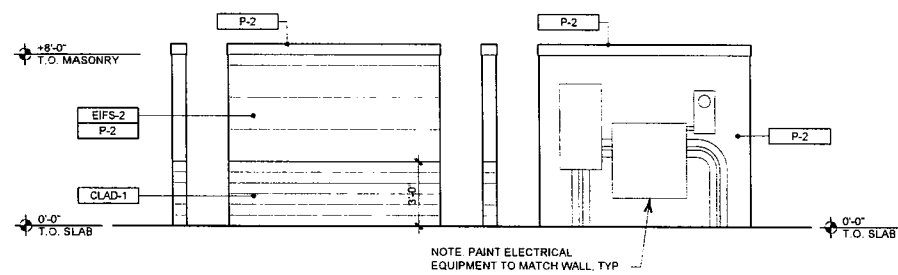
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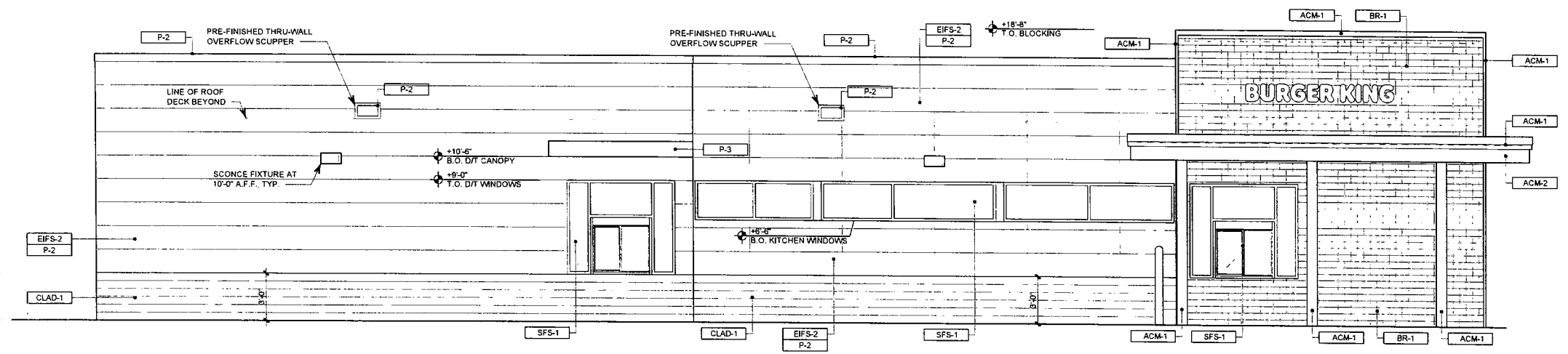
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