COUNTY OF BERGEN

CHRISTIAN HEALTH CARE CENTER (CHCC) Block 443 Lots 49.03, 52.01, 51(RA-25); 301 Sicomac Avenue Amended Site Plan,

TRANSCRIPT OF HEARING

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Applicant.

Memorial Town Hall, Scott Plaza 340 Franklin Avenue Wyckoff, New Jersey Tuesday, July 10, 2018, 7:30 p.m.

BEFORE:

THE ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WYCKOFF

BOARD MEMBERS: CARL FRY, Chairman ERIK RUEBENACKER, Vice Chairman BRIAN HUBERT (Absent) SUSAN YUDIN ED KALPAGIAN RICH DELEO

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2 Public Meetings Act statement. 3 This special meeting of the Wyckoff Board 4 of Adjustment dated Tuesday, July 10th, 2018, is 5 now in session. In accordance with Section 8 of the Open 6 7 Publics Act, I wish to advise that notice of this 8 meeting has been posted in the main level of Memorial Town Hall since Thursday, June 26, 2018. 9 10 A copy of notice has been filed with the Township Clerk and copies were sent to the Ridgewood News, 11 12 Bergen Record, and the North Jersey Herald & News, 13 and all papers with general circulation throughout 14 the Township of Wyckoff. This notice establishes 15 a special meeting for the Christian Health Care 16 Center. Formal action may be taken at this 17 meetina. 18 Sue, roll call, please. 19 20 (Roll call was taken, all Commissioners

CHAIRMAN FRY: I'm going to read the Open

respond in the affirmative)

CHAIRMAN FRY: I'll start with the Pledge of Allegiance.

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ALSO PRESENT:

JEFFER, HOPKINSON & VOGEL, ESQS. BY: JEROME A. VOGEL, ESQ.
Counsel for the Applicant

DOUGLAS A. STRUYK, President and CEO of Christian Health Care Center

KENNETH H. KARLE, AIA, PE, PP, LEED, AP President of LAN Associates

(Pledge of Allegiance)

CHAIRMAN FRY: Thank you, again. This is a special meeting for the Christian Health Care Center. Just a quick reminder, if you would, either silence your phones, turn them off. Let's do what we can to try to avoid disruption throughout the meeting.

We have one board member that has been sitting in, Brian Hubert. He is not going to be in attendance tonight. So we're down one.

And then we have Brian Tanis and Mark Borst who have recused themselves from the application.

So all other board members are present.

We discussed at the end of the last testimony that we had pretty much wrapped up the traffic. We're not going to hear any traffic study, am I correct, Mr. Vogel? You do not have anybody from Stantec?

MR. VOGEL: That's correct.

CHAIRMAN FRY: Okay, So tonight we're going to move into the building and the site plans. So along the way, Mr. Ten Kate is here from Boswell Engineering. They had several points

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identified in their letter to us as well, so as we go through, we'll kind of check the boxes. 2

So we're ready when you are.

MR. VOGEL: Thank you.

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Mr. Chairman, you've accurately set the 5 table for what this evening is about. It's the 6 changes to the site plan, that is, the interior of 7 the site without the issue with respect to the 8 9 access.

It is really not a very large proposal. The building as approved was 379,556 square feet. That building has now been reduced on this proposed site plan to 377,443. And that reduction includes two additions, small additions, to existing buildings. One is actually known as Building #1, which faces Sicomac Avenue and that has an addition of 3,894 square feet and the South Gate Building, which is in the center of the campus, which has an addition 3,493 square feet.

There is also an addition of 24 parking spaces. Other than that, that's what the 21 application is all about. 22

I have two witnesses for you this evening. 23 One would be Doug Struyk, who has testified before you before who you know is the President/Executive

MR. STRUYK: Yes. 1

Doug Struyk, President/CEO of Christian 2 Health Care Center and I recognize I'm still under 3 oath. 4

Thank you for allowing me to speak this 5 evening. 6

So as Mr. Vogel mentioned, there are two existing buildings on campus where we are proposing to make minor changes to them.

The first, as was mentioned, is what we 10 call Building 1. It's the one you see when you're 11 passing by on Sicomac Avenue. Has the sign and 12 the flag in front of it. It is an administrative 13 building. It houses only administrative services. 14 There's no care rendered to any patient, resident, 15 client, or consumer in that building. It houses 16 finance, human resources, marketing, our 17 foundation, information services; all 18 administrative type functions. 19

That building was built back in the early '60s, 1962, actually. When it was first built it served a primary purpose as actually the chapel for the residents on the lower campus. The rear of the building was the chapel where all the residents and patients who occupied those lower

Director of Christian Health Care Center, who will

indicate the programmatic aspects of these

additions that we're asking for. And then Mr. Ken

Karle of LAN Associates, who will testify as to

the actual engineering changes in the drawings. 5

Unless there's a question of me, with your permission...

CHAIRMAN FRY: So the only thing I just want to clarify, we were provided with several packages of drawings. So just so we're clear and the board doesn't start spreading all sorts of drawings out, there are no proposed changes to the Vista project itself. Correct?

MR. VOGEL: Except for the downsizing of the building from 379,556 to 377,443.

CHAIRMAN FRY: Okay. So at one point we'll be accessing those drawings.

MR. VOGEL: With that, I'll call Mr. 18 Struyk. 19

The witness was previously sworn in these proceedings.

MR. COOK: You're still under oath.

MR. VOGEL: Mr. Struyk, identify yourself,

for the record, and you recognize that you 24

continue to be under oath, do you not? 25

campus buildings back at the time the building was

built in the 1960s would go for their worship and 2

some other activities. That activity actually now 3

all happens and has happened up the hill since the

late 1980s when the new auditorium was built. 5

So over time that building has morphed and evolved into many different types of

administrative services. It hasn't really had any 8

major interior changes to it at all since it was 9 built other than a minor loft being built in that 10

chapel area several years ago. So it's been time 11

to improve its efficiency. 12 It is far from being accessible to those 13

who have any type of disability or handicap. The 14 space is very inefficient. We have staff who are 15 working literally on top of each other. And so 16 both to improve the access to the building, to 17 make the flow a little bit more efficient, to 18 provide some more work area as well as common

19 area, we are regularly having families who may

need to come in and meet with some of our finance 21

staff concerning their loved one's care, we have 22

applicants for employment who are coming in for 23

recruiting or on boarding, we have professionals 24

that are coming in to work with some of our

information services or finance staff that need 1 2 common area space.

So there's no change in the number of 3 employees that are in the building. There are 4 5 about 40 employees who are permanently stationed in that building, but the proposal enables us, as 6 I said, to improve access to make it a much more 7 efficient work area and also provides some hotel 8 space for staff who are permanently stationed in 9 other buildings and need to come down every once 10 in awhile for a few hours to work with some of the staff there. 12

And that represents the changes. The more specific aspects of the structural change Mr. Karle will talk about in a moment when he gets into his presentation.

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But we've certainly designed the modifications to keep with the character of the building as far as its facade and its overall performance.

CHAIRMAN FRY: The hours of those 40 employees, there won't be any change?

MR. STRUYK: Not whatsoever.

CHAIRMAN FRY: Okay. Just to clarify, you say "hotel like" and all of a sudden people are

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CHAIRMAN FRY: Oh, very good. And you 2 signed? 3

MR. DELEO: I signed the card and looked 4 5 through the testimony.

CHAIRMAN FRY: Very good. Thank you.

Sue has that document now?

MS. McQUAID: Yes. 8

MR. STRUYK: The other changes to our 9 behavioral health building on the upper campus, 10 it's probably about as central as you can to the 11

whole campus in the upper area. It's a two-story 12 building. South Gate is a special care nursing 13

home that operates on the ground floor. Our 14

Ramapo Ridge Psychiatric Hospital operates on the 15 second floor. 16

Earlier this year the New Jersey 18 Department of Health issued a Certificate of Need Call asking for a provider to apply to offer six more beds for special care nursing facility for behavior management.

In New Jersey, there are nursing homes, 22 which is what individuals would mostly be familiar 23 with, but there's also a very unique class of 24

25 special care nursing facilities and these are

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saying, wait a minute, is anybody sleeping in that structure.

MR. STRUYK: No, no. Hotel space in the sense that there may be somebody who regularly works in an office up the hill but they may need to come down for a few hours to work in that area, so there may be a cubicle or two that are designed just for staff and other departments who need to come down to that building so they have a place to work without consuming one of the conference rooms or other areas.

Thank you for that question.

If there are no other questions on that, I 13 will go onto the South Gate Building. 14

CHAIRMAN FRY: Board members, do you have any questions?

MS. YUDIN: I have a question.

Will any parking spaces be taken to accommodate the expansion of the building? MR. STRUYK: No, the expansion of the

building is entirely being done on existing grassed area.

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MR. DELEO: If I can, Mr. Chairman?

CHAIRMAN FRY: Of course. 24

MR. DELEO: I want to add, for the record, 25

facilities who care for very unique populations.

Behavior management, which is ours, and I'll

describe that a little bit more in a moment, is

4 one.

Ventilator beds, those who have had a 5 traumatic brain injury, those who are suffering

from Huntington's Disease, those who have 7

HIV/AIDs, children who need a long-term care

setting are examples of special care nursing

10 facilities.

Behavior management is a nursing facility 11 that's intended for those who have behavioral 12 13 disturbances likely associated with some form of dementia, such as Alzheimer's Disease or perhaps 14

15 have had a traumatic brain injury. They're not

appropriate for a conventional nursing home

17 because of their potential for aggressive or

assaultive behavior, but they're not acutely 18

mentally ill. They don't use psychiatric 19

hospitals. They need a specialized setting with 20

staff who are specially trained to provide them 21

with quality care. 22

We have one of four such special care 23 facilities in New Jersey. There's one in the 24 Preakness Healthcare Center in Wayne. The other 25

two are in the southern part of the state: One in Cherry Hill and one is in Absecon, which is near 2 3 Atlantic City.

So the Department of Health asked for a 4 provider to apply to add for six beds. Six beds 5 is not really practical for a freestanding unit. 6 So I think the expectation was that one of the 7 existing providers would apply. We did; Preakness Healthcare Center did not. We are waiting for the 9 Department of Health to respond to our 10 application. It's a process that they go through 11 and do that. Looking at all the applicants that 12 they have received, we believe that we will be 13 successful in that process. 14

There's a back and forth where we have to provide some additional information. There's a nominal change that we have to make to the overall structure. We have an excellent track record with that program with the Department of Health as far as the level of quality that we provide, the experiences of our residents and patients.

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As part of our application they requested that we indicate where we were in the land use process and that application indicated that we would be applying for that particular purpose.

activities, for some of the professionals that are 1 there. So the added space that we add on the 2 second floor will just enable us to spread our 3 wings a little more and have a little bit more 4 space for those that we care for. 5

On the first floor we will be adding one 6 staff person for each, at most, one staff person 7 for each of the three shifts on there because of 8 the ratio of staff to residents that we maintain 9 there. We already maintain a very high ratio of 10 staff to residents, but we'll be adding, at most, 11 one staff position on each of the three shifts on 12 the lower floor. Again, because we're not caring 13 for more patients upstairs, there won't be any 14 15 change in staffing there.

And that represents the substance of what we're doing in that building. I'm happy to answer any questions.

CHAIRMAN FRY: So the application really, you don't have the need, so to speak, right now, this is in anticipation of getting awarded that --

MR. STRUYK: That's right, that's right. The state identified a need. They asked for applications to be submitted by April 1st. We've 24 25 been informed that our application was received

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So the space that we are adding will allow us to add four rooms, four patient rooms, for six residents, which means that two of the rooms would be semi-private rooms and two of the rooms would be private rooms. There's a requirement in nursing facilities that you have a certain mix of semi-private and private rooms. We're also adding some additional card or activity space at the same time as we're having the opportunity to make this change just to make some further improvements and

enhancements in the program. 11 Since it's a two-story building and since 12 we are expanding the footprint of the first floor, 13 the issue then came, do we have just a one story 14 bump out or did we keep the facade of the building 15 consistent and have a two story. So we're adding 16 a second story over the space that's added. That 17 will be adding more space into our psychiatric 18 hospital on the second floor. We are not 19 increasing the patient population that we are 20 caring for in the hospital. That hospital was 21 built back in the late 1980s. The care needs of those that we care for in the hospital have 23 evolved significantly since then and we can 24

certainly use more space for some patient care

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and they have just given us, we're in the process

of answering some followup questions that they 2

have for that process and it's proceeding as we

would expect, especially, because of the

transition of the new governor's administration

had some change in the Department of Health

staffing so they're getting used to how to do

things with some new staff. That's having a 8

little bit of an impact on timing as well. 9

CHAIRMAN FRY: Again, no issue with taking parking spaces?

MR. STRUYK: None whatsoever. The addition is all being done on existing grass there. And the elevations, the improvements to the building Mr. Karle will discuss in a moment.

MR. RUEBENACKER: Mr. Struyk, if you don't get the state's approval, will you still do the construction or is the construction only upon the state's approval?

MR. STRUYK: That's a good question. If for some strange reason we did not, the only other opportunity we have is that the Department of Health has what's called an Add-a-Bed Program where those who have an existing Certificate of Need every five years can add the lesser of ten 25

- percent or 10 beds to their existing complement. 1
- We might very well take advantage of that. I
- think the likelihood of that is highly remote. It
- would be my expectation that we would be approved
- and we would get them, but that's the only outside
- possibility that that could happen. But I would 6
- not expect that. 7

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- 8 MR. RUEBENACKER: Thank you.
  - CHAIRMAN FRY: Any questions?
- Okay. 10
- MR. STRUYK: Thank you. 11
- CHAIRMAN FRY: Thank you. 12
- MR. VOGEL: Mr. Karle, identify yourself, 13
- for the record, please, and indicate that you 14
- 15 continue to be under oath.
- MR. KARLE: Well, I'm Ken Karle. I'm not 16
- sure if I am continued under oath because I was 17
- 18 never sworn in except for three years ago.
- MR. VOGEL: Oh, okay. We'll re-swear you. 19
- (Whereupon, KENNETH KARLE was duly sworn 21
- by Mr. Cook) 22
- MR. COOK: Just state your name, address, 24
- and profession, for the record. 25

- date. 1
- CHAIRMAN FRY: Okay. 2
- MR. KARLE: For the record, it's the front 3
- and back copy of the overall site plan and just 4
- the building footprint. We have a few more slides 5
- than that to blow up different areas, but this 6
- 7 summarizes what we're showing.
- Just to orient you. This is a very small 8
- scale drawing. It's very difficult to read and 9
- what we'll do is we'll blow up different sections. 10
- But just to give you the overall lay of the land, 11
- 12 the red driveway is what was previously approved.
- At the top center of the drawing is the existing 13
- driveway for the campus on Sicomac Avenue and it 14
- was proposed to construct this new driveway 15
- outlined in red with all of the intersecting 16
- 17 streets to pick up the existing parking areas, the
- existing buildings, the existing cross streets, 18
- cut up through the Long View Assisted Living 19
- facility, through a slightly wooded area, and then 20
- to intercept the back Mountain Avenue entrance 21
- driveway that leads all the way back up to the 22
- Eastern Christian Children's Retreat. So the red 23
- is what was approved. The red is what is 24
- 25 approved.

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- MR. KARLE: Yeah, it's Kenneth Karle of 1
- LAN Associates, 445 Godwin Avenue, Midland Park, 2
- New Jersey. I am a registered architect and
- professional engineer and a professional planner
- in the State of New Jersey.
- MR. COOK: I recommend that the board 6
- accept his qualifications. 7
  - CHAIRMAN FRY: Agreed.
- MR. KARLE: Thank you. And as you know, 9
- I've appeared too many times before you. 10
- CHAIRMAN FRY: Yes. 11
- MR. KARLE: So referring to Mr. Ten Kate, 12
- Boswell Engineering's review letter of May 24, 13
- 2018, one item was asked was that we present an 14
- overlay or a comparison of the changes we've made 15
- and I think the easiest way to do that is to 16
- graphically put it up on the screen and I can walk 17
- you through it. 18
- Do we need the lights dimmed? You tell 19
- 20 me.
- And if I may approach the chairman, we do 21
- have very small handouts that match this. 22
- CHAIRMAN FRY: You want to mark those, 23
- 24 Jerry?
- MR. VOGEL: Let's mark it A-1 with today's 25

So what we're doing now is we're saying we

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- will not be doing the red and to make up for that,
- the blue driveway system is actually the driveway 3
- system we started with five, six, seven, eight 4
- years ago at the beginning of the hearings. So 5
- that means that once, if we can come in at the
- 7 Cedar Hill Avenue intersection, we will complete
- the loop road through the campus here which allows
- access to the whole lower campus and across to the
- 10 new facility up top. The old plans did have one
- interconnecting right there, which is highlighted 11
- slightly in red and that will still be there but 12
- we'll do it as a T-intersection instead of a 13
- swooping curve just to make it safer from a 14
- 15 traffic standpoint.
- So really this blue driveway was seen and 16 reviewed by you many years ago and we've just gone 17
- 18 back to the plan. We haven't changed anything.
- We haven't reengineered it. It's the same general 19
- configuration. 20
- 21 This allows then visitors to not only come
- up to the new Vista facility, which has a complete 22
- loop driveway around it, but it also allows them 23
- to make the first right into the lower campus so 24
- they'll really have no interest in using the old 25

driveway because this will be easier to do. It will allow them to make the second right into the 2 middle part of the campus, which is the nursing 3 facility and it just allows great access to all of 4 5 the site.

So the blue is what we're now back to. It 6 was never approved, but it was part of the 7 original application. All of the red on the left 8 side of the drawing, the roadway system is gone. 9 We will not be doing that. We will not be making 10 those interconnections. The previous approvals of 11 this red driveway system meant we had to 12 reconfigure certain parking areas along the way. 13 Now we don't have to do all of that. That's why 14 the parking counts changed and actually got 15 better. We actually have more spaces than we used 16 to have. 17 18

So I'll go back and forth, but let me just zoom in a little bit.

19 The next slide is a blowup of the actual 20 Vista building. Now, red is the previous approved 71 footprint and the black lines are what we're 22 proposing. And you'll say, I don't see a 23 difference. And that's mostly true. They just overlap each other. Basically, the difference is

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Now, as Mr. Struyk testified, we are 2 proposing two small additions on two other 3 buildings which total about 7,477 square feet. So 4 we're using up some of that savings, but we still 5 have a net reduction of 2,113 square feet on the 6 overall floor plan and we'll show you where some 7 of those other changes are occurring. 8

And, you know, just for the record, the previously approved parking on the entire site was 1,053 spaces that's now up to 1,077 for a gain of 24 spaces. Just for facts and figures. And I was quite impressed that Mr. Vogel was able to recite 13 the square footages without notes. I couldn't do that, but he's younger than me.

CHAIRMAN FRY: Mr. Karle, the two wings, that common use triangle, I'll call it; which is on the south side that's now being eliminated, what are those two wings?

MR, KARLE: Residential wings.

CHAIRMAN FRY: What's the identification? Is that A-B or is that E?

MR. KARLE: Okay. We have identified this 23

as A, B, C, D, E, F. 24

25 CHAIRMAN FRY: So between E and F.

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along the perimeter of the building we rearranged some of the balcony structures. So where there might have been a balcony bump out in one spot, now it's flat. And where there wasn't, now there's a balcony, but it's still the same general configuration.

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We did, though, decrease the footprint by 10,000 square feet, 9,500. And we did that in the commons area right here. You can see the red used to come out a little bit further in front of this commons area and that we pulled back a few feet. So we saved some square footage there just by tightening up the design when we finished the floor plans.

And this red down here is the other big change. The previously approved plan had a bump out here for community space, part of the community center. That is no longer part of the plan.

So the new building will follow the black 20 line back. So we've eliminated this square 21 footage and then along the front and a couple of 22 inches here and there and it actually adds up to a 23 reduction of 9,590 square feet of reduced 24 footprint on the Vista building. So a little

MR. KARLE: Yes. And those are arbitrary 1 labels. If you go into the marketing office, they have new names, but for the plan purposes it's A 3 through F. 4

Just to go back, just below the building, 5 the building's at the bottom of the slide now, the old loop road used to come up on the left side of 7 the screen and intercept the back of the Mountain Avenue entrance drive and all of this work now is 9 proposed not to be done. So red is no longer part 10 of the application. The little red connector here 11 is no longer part of the application because we 12 have the new blue loop road with a T-intersection, 13 so we'll have the same effect, but those are very 14 minor changes. 15

While we're on this blowup, the behavioral management building additions are actually this little square right here in the corner and there's one right there in the corner and there's a little addition at the end. And I'll blow those up and show those. But that's where those additions are that Mr. Struyk was talking about. They're very small. They're deep in the campus. You cannot see that building without driving well into the campus. You can't see it from any neighboring

roads. It's totally hidden. It's quite far from any property lines. 2

Next slide. Now, if we go further down 3 the road back out to the Cedar Hill Avenue and 4 Sicomac intersection, of course, the blue would be 5 the new entrance road coming off the intersection. 6 It would connect to the lower campus roadway, 7 which is in the light gray in the background. The red would not be done. The red was approved and the red will not be done under this application. 10 So the road will come up. It will connect back 11 here and then it will continue up the hill and 12 connect to the mid-level complex at the bottom of 13 the screen. 14

Previously approved, all of this road rework required a new driveway connection to this parking lot, which required new parking spaces back here, which required removing a garage. All of that will just remain as is. And the fact that there's a garage back there that stays, that's all been factored into the total coverage and still have a net decrease. 22

We also had to come in and intercept and 23 go through part of this existing parking lot here by Building 4 over here. Yeah, Building 4. And

small additions to the right and the left of it 1

and I'll show you the floor plans of that. Since

it used to be a chapel, it's almost a bi-level

design inside and it's a barrier-free nightmare. 4

5 You actually can't get through the building. So

the new addition will accommodate a barrier-free 6

entry and elevator and make the building a hundred 7

percent barrier-free accessible. Where the road 8

comes through is the existing service station and 9

house that was part of the approval to be 10

demolished. It's still part of the proposal to be 11

demolished, obviously, because it's in the way. 12

And those are actually on their own lots, which 13

will be re-subdivided into the land. That's not a 14 15 change. That was always part of the previous

approval. 16

Next slide. The slide after that. 17

This is the front of the administration building, the office building, the building you see from the street as you drive by. You probably recognize the facade. They have all the Christmas lights on it at Christmastime. The existing floor 22 plan is in the lighter lines; the proposed 23

additions are in darker heavier lines. 24

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able to gain some spaces back in. We get more 3

efficient coming up there so we don't have to 4

change it. And then, of course, the roadway just,

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Previously approved were some parking additions, such as right here, which has actually been built already because it was approved. There's one over here that's been approved and it's not been built, but it's still part of the 12 application. There's some rework of the parking down in this area, which we would still propose as 14 part of the rework. There was a couple of spaces added in this area, which has already been 16 completed. And that's why if you compare the new plan with the old, we used to say existing parking 18 was X and now we say existing parking is already 19 up about 70, 80 spaces because we actually 20 constructed some of it. But this application will 21

The other small addition that Mr. Struyk mentioned was the front administration building, which is this building here. We're proposing

result in vet even more additional spaces.

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entrance off the side parking area to allow one to

get into the building, find a new elevator, and

then get throughout the building, which never was

really possible, and then filling in the space

with more cubicles and just space for office

workers with some space up above.

This is very much a gabled roof design to match the building, so the space on the second floor is actually quite minimal. It's kind of like sloped ceiling attic space, more for the architectural character of the building, which will have a new entrance on each side.

Probably no one remembers this but me, but the old approved plans actually did include a porch addition on this side of the building since we were trying to give a little more dress up to that building as part of the new entrance drive, because the new entrance drive we were proposing came up alongside this building and we were dressing this side of the building up. So part of this addition was actually approved at the last resolution, but we're expanding it slightly.

So the total additions on this building 23 total 3,984 square feet and have been included in 24 our total calculation which still results in a net 25

reduction on the site. 1

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2 That's the front building that everybody sees when they drive by. 3

Deep in the heart of the campus is the 4 5 Behavioral Management Ramapo Ridge Building, which is a two-story structure. And as I showed you on 6 the site plan, we're just proposing to fill in 7 this little corner, this little corner, and a R

little addition at this end. You can hardly even see where the additions are because they just kind of fill in space. And as Mr. Struyk testified, it's to meet a need, a Certificate of Need issue, apparently beneficial use and, again, it's totally in the heart of the campus. These back two squares are not only, not visible almost tucked in the hillside and very, very difficult to see. These are modest proposals on this building to increase the square footage by 3,493 square feet. So these two little projects we've added to the application total 7,477 square feet. But the Vista project

the net increase of an additional 24 spaces. 24 25 That's a summary of the changes. I hope

itself was reduced 9,590 square feet. So we have

the net reduction of over 2,000 square feet and

sized to support an entire structure? 1

MR. KARLE: The term we're using is life 2 safety plus, so, yes, critical systems, plus some 3 4 heat, plus some community space but not the entire

5 building. CHAIRMAN FRY: Do you have any elevation 6 7 drawings that would represent how that's going to

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MR. KARLE: It's fully detailed on the 9 site plans on the detailed sheets. 10

Let's take a quick look.

CHAIRMAN FRY: For me, really, I just want to exhaust everything. Have we screened it? Is it going to be intrusive to anybody else? Will the neighbors hear it? The neighbors may say, wait a minute, now there's a generator and yeah, if it's Sandy it could be out seven, eight, ten days. They'll be listening to a monster generator, so...

MR. KARLE: Well, first of all, the most 20 immediate neighbors are our residents. So we're 21 very concerned. Here it is in detail on

23 Construction Drawing sheet CD .04, which I think

is in your full set, but don't unfold the 24

25 drawings. They go on forever.

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1 that made it clearer. Basically, the driveway moved and a couple of tweaks to the building plans.

CHAIRMAN FRY: So a couple of other things 5 I noted. Is there a change or is there a new proposed generator?

MR. KARLE: It's actually, I'm not sure it's new, but there is a generator proposed in front of the Vista building in between these

wings. We designed it to be in a pit with sound 10 attenuation. We want to have emergency power. I

don't remember if the last application was pre or 12

post-Sandy, but as you know, we lost power for 13

quite some time. This year again with the 14

15 snowstorm. I actually had it worse this year than

16 I did during Sandy. But there will be an

emergency generator. These types of facilities 17

almost always have it. It's designed in the 18

hillside, in a pit, with sound attenuation 19

package. So I'm not sure if that was specifically 20

called out on the initial application. It was 21

always needed and it's not clearly shown on this 22 application. 23

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CHAIRMAN FRY: So that will provide power for just critical systems? It's not going to be

So it's buried into the ground with block

retaining walls around it, landscape block to

totally screen it off. The section view shows 3

that the walls are brought across the top, so it's 4

basically in a pit. You can access it from the 5

low side through a gate, but it's purposely put 6

7 into this pit to get it out of site, out of site

line, out of sound line and it also has the sound

attenuation cover on it. So the closest neighbor

10 is the Vista, is our residents, so we certainly

don't want to create any sort of hardship. The 11 next closest neighbor would be the Eastern

Christian Children's Retreat, quite some ways 13

away, hundreds and hundreds of feet. Residential 14

properties wouldn't start till the other side of 15

that because it's on that side of the building. 16

CHAIRMAN FRY: Right. So it's on the west side --

MR. KARLE: Yes, yes. 19

CHAIRMAN FRY: -- of the structure. 20

MR. KARLE: Yes. 21

CHAIRMAN FRY: Opposite any of the 22

neighbors on the Hawthorne side. 23

MR. KARLE: The building is between us and the Hawthorne side, which acts as a shield also, 25

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CHAIRMAN FRY: Okay. So that was one 2 thing I just wanted to clarify because I didn't 3 remember it, but then I saw that it was listed in the Boswell report. 5

MR. KARLE: Correct.

CHAIRMAN FRY: And then there's a location, and I'm not sure where it is, but it looks like one of the covered areas, covered roadway. Is one of those elevations being reduced at one of the entrances perhaps?

11 MR. KARLE: We have a covered drop off at 17 the front door. We always have. I believe your 13 ordinance requires 17 feet or 16 feet. Maximum 14 over the road height is 13 feet 6 under the federal and state standards. So I believe we're 16 proposing 15 feet or 16 feet and I think the last 17 approval, I think we're one foot lower than the 18 last approval but we're still well above the 19 interstate highway standards for the biggest 20 tractor trailers. So I think, technically, we may 21 need a revised approval on that because I think we 22 went down one foot just to make the scale a little 24 more human.

CHAIRMAN FRY: So it looks like you're

road access being approved direct off Cedar Hill. 1

2 MR. KARLE: That's correct.

CHAIRMAN FRY: So the one thing I just 3

want to be clear about is that although we heard 4

plenty of testimony on it, I wouldn't say that 5

that is a slam dunk that that's how it's going to

be. So I think we should spend a little bit of 7

time on it. I do have a couple of questions about 8

what roads do exist, only because it is a sticky 9

subject and I want to make sure that we're looking 10

at all aspects of this, looking at the roadways, 11

looking at the current use versus the proposed, 12

and also I just want to make sure that, so now 13

you've included spaces being added because now 14

you're showing a revised roadway system, where if 15

the revised roadway system does not go in then 16

it's going to, by default, go back to a reduction 17 in the amount of spaces. 18

MR. KARLE: It will revert to the approved 19 20 plans.

CHAIRMAN FRY: Right. 21

MR. KARLE: Which is the red roadway 22

23 system.

MR. VOGEL: It doesn't really revert. Our 24

application is to amend the other plan. 25

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going from 14 to 13.

MR. KARLE: That could be, that could be. 2

And that's a drop off for visitors and guests. 3

That would have nothing to do with deliveries. 4

That's "the" front door drop off. 5

CHAIRMAN FRY: And where is that on this? Right in the front?

MR. KARLE: That is right there. This is a covered drop off. It will be a timber frame, very attractive structures in some of the renderings you may have seen, and we're just trying to humanize the scale a little bit.

CHAIRMAN FRY: I was thinking emergency personnel, so if a power ladder were to come up I want to make sure we have clearance, not that we're going to make it a habit of getting that close to the structure.

MR. KARLE: Right. Interstate highway standards bridges are 13.6 to give you the clearance and we're at 13-foot, so...

CHAIRMAN FRY: Okay. I think it's far 21 more. I think it's 11 something. Okay. 22

All right. So I just want to make a couple of other comments. So it sounds like a lot of the new roadway design is anticipation of the

MR. KARLE: Right.

MR. VOGEL: If the application is 2

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CHAIRMAN FRY: It defaults back to the 4 original.

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MR. VOGEL: -- the other plans exists.

CHAIRMAN FRY: Right. 7

8 MR. RUEBENACKER: Right.

CHAIRMAN FRY: Just to touch on a few 9 things. 10

So the roadway not coming directly off Cedar Hill, but at the T, in that blue, is there an existing roadway there now?

MR. KARLE: No, the existing service station and used to have the U-Haul facility right there, that's what's there now.

16 CHAIRMAN FRY: No, I'm saying once you're 17 inside the facility. So if you come in the main drive, which is red, the existing, you go past Building A and you make a left, then it turns 20 21 blue.

MR. KARLE: That blue connector is not 22 there now. 23

CHAIRMAN FRY: So the blue ring that would 24 connect up towards the Vista is not there. 25

MR. KARLE: The blue is not there now, correct. That's the proposed change that all of the red would disappear and the blue would up here. 4

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CHAIRMAN FRY: Okay. And the parking spaces were at Building A that were disturbed? MR. KARLE: They're actually spread

throughout the entire site. There's some down in 8 this area. There's some in this area. There's

some behind this building. There's some over 10 here. There's some in here. There's some up in 11

here that have been added into the front, the main 12 parking lot over here. 13

One thing I'll also mention is previously 14 approved was a small addition right on the corner 15 here where I'm pointing and a small addition here, 16 post-acute care gym. They have been built. They 17 were also built at a slightly smaller footprint, 18

so we incorporated those changes in also. 19 CHAIRMAN FRY: Okay. All right. So why 20 don't we do this. The site roadwork may take a 21 little more time. Why don't we go to the 22 building. Why don't we maybe start with Building 23 A and see if the board has any questions and we'll

try to digest that a little bit and then move onto

And the elevation will be a gable 1

structure that projects towards you with a new 2 entry and pretty much mirrored on the other side.

3 CHAIRMAN FRY: So rough dimensions, if you 4

can put dimensions on the bump outs. Just so we 5 6

have --MR. KARLE: I don't have the actual

dimensions, but the total. 8

CHAIRMAN FRY: Mr. Vogel knows them off 9 the top of his head. 10

MR. KARLE: I know he does. Very 11 impressive. 12

The total is just under 4,000 square feet. 13 So 2,000 square feet per side, 40 by 50, you know, 14

that's not the dimensions, but that's the order of 15 magnitude.

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MR. KARLE: It may be close to the

dimensions. It's irregular, obviously. 19

CHAIRMAN FRY: Right, Okay.

Any other questions? 21

MR. RUEBENACKER: I do not. 22

CHAIRMAN FRY: Anybody? All right. Very

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25 All right. Let's move on.

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the other structural elements.

MR. KARLE: Very good. 2

CHAIRMAN FRY: Okay. So Building A, board members, it looks like it's an expansion, the two wings on either side. Is there currently an

elevator in Building A? 6

MR. KARLE: No. 7

CHAIRMAN FRY: There is not. 8

MR. KARLE: No, no. This is very much needed for accessibility in accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, which is generally something we've waited too long to do.

CHAIRMAN FRY: Right. Okay. All right. So Mr. Struyk testified about the use. Board members, do we have any questions on Building A? Mark, can you turn the lights back on, please?

MR. RUEBENACKER: Mr. Karle, can you 18 please outline what the addition is? 19

MR. KARLE: The existing building is T-shaped. The addition is this area on the left, in the darker lines.

MR. RUEBENACKER: Okay. 23

MR. KARLE: And this area on the right in 24

the darker lines.

South Gate. So South Gate is an addition

at the end of the one wing?

MR. KARLE: End of one wing and two little 3

in fills in the two corner niches that are there

now. Two stories each. 5

CHAIRMAN FRY: I'm sorry, is there an 6

elevator component to either of those? 7

MR. KARLE: No, the elevator is in the 8

building now. The elevator is here. 9

10 MR. RUEBENACKER: So are we looking at the

first floor rendering here or the second floor? 11

MR. KARLE: You're looking at the first 12

floor plan. They're just identical up and down. 13

It will be two story. 14

15 MR. RUEBENACKER: Oh, so the first floor

and the second floor will be identical? 16

MR. KARLE: Yeah.

MR. STRUYK: We don't have added rooms.

MR. KARLE: The second floor won't have 19

bedrooms. It will just be space. As we 20

testified, the patient rooms are needed on the 21

ground floor. Instead of leaving a flat roof 22

above, we're just filling in the second floor as 23

well. 24

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MR. RUEBENACKER: That was my question. I 25

was trying to understand what was going to be on the second floor. 2

MR, KARLE: Just be two activity rooms in the corners and this space will probably be an activity space also. I mean, I don't know if the plans were finalized.

MR. STRUYK: The one larger activity area and there will be some offices for some of the professional staff.

MR. RUEBENACKER: Okay. 10

MR. KALPAGIAN: This is the building that 11 the six extra, you mentioned before for the 12 critical area. 13

MR. STRUYK: That's correct, yes. 14

MR. KALPAGIAN: Do you mind showing me 15 what rooms those will be? 16

MR. STRUYK: Two there and two there and 17 then there's an added lounge. 18

MR. KALPAGIAN: You mentioned before, you 19 got to forgive me, I'm not familiar with this, 20

patients with aggressive behavior --21

MR. STRUYK: They're elderly. The average 22

age is 70s and 80s. These are elderly. I'm 23

sorry, I should have mentioned that. 24

MR. KALPAGIAN: Yeah, I didn't know if it 25

MR. KARLE: There will be foundation

2 plannings. We don't have a landscape plan for

this, per se. There's existing foundation

plannings. Some minor lawn. No parking will be

lost. And, of course, we'll make it attractive.

There's not a lot of opportunity to do too much in

that area. 7

CHAIRMAN FRY: Really it's an interior 8

location so it isn't like people are really going 9

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MR. KARLE: Completely interior, yeah. 11

MR. STRUYK: And also the driveway that

wraps around is actually almost level with the 13

second floor. This building is --14

CHAIRMAN FRY: Somewhat recessed.

MR. STRUYK: The first floor is well 16

below grade. 17

MR. KARLE: That's correct.

CHAIRMAN FRY: No generator? 19

MR. KARLE: There's an existing 20

generator -- there's two or three existing 21

generators for the campus that will remain. 22

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CHAIRMAN FRY: They're there? 24

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MR. STRUYK: They're not 20 and 30 year 2 olds. These are elderly. The average age in the unit is between 70 and 80. Maybe they're calling out a lot, restless, aggressive. 5

MR. KALPAGIAN: And, you know, I assume some of the patients with dementia, is it set up a little different if they were to wander around or

9 MR. STRUYK: The doors are all secure. 10 It's a secure unit. 11

CHAIRMAN FRY: So what's existing is a two-story structure. What's the height of the proposed?

MR. KARLE: It's exact match. It's 15 probably not more than 25 feet. It's a flat roof. That's what they have now.

CHAIRMAN FRY: So we're not going beyond 18 19 the height restriction.

MR. KARLE: No, no. 20 21

CHAIRMAN FRY: Okay.

MR. KARLE: It's pretty minimal. 22

CHAIRMAN FRY: Have we looked at a 23

landscape plan? Is there any landscaping 24 proposed? 25

CHAIRMAN FRY: Okay.

MR. DELEO: The two front areas are rec 2

3 space, you said?

MR. STRUYK: These areas up here, yes. 4

Those are for lounges and for family meetings,

that type of activity.

CHAIRMAN FRY: Anything else? Any other 7

8 comments?

Okay. So I think we're pretty clear on 9 what you're proposing for Building A and the South 10

Gate and also you've identified where the 11

generator is going to be located. And the one

13 reduction in height to the main entrance to the 14

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So before we get into the roadway, maybe 15 if the board doesn't have any other questions 16

we'll open it up quick in case anybody from the 17

public does have a question about Building A, 18

South Gate, the generator or the entrance to the

Vista, the overhang portion only. 20

MR. RUEBENACKER: Just one more question.

CHAIRMAN FRY: Go ahead. 22

MR. RUEBENACKER: Mr. Karle, so, you know,

obviously, you've been here for the last month or

so, you've seen a lot of the testimony previously.

Do any of the building modifications that are proposed for either Building A or South Gate, are 2 3 any of those designs dependent on the roadway structure, the amended roadway structure that's 4 currently proposed? 5 MR. KARLE: No. 6 MR, RUEBENACKER: Okay. So if the current 7

application related to the roadway structure and/or the intersection is prolonged, we might want to think about or the health care center may want to think about separating the two initiatives.

MR. KARLE: We're trying to expedite it. 13 MR. RUEBENACKER: Just so one does not 14 delay the other. Something to think about. 15

MR. KARLE: We appreciate that. We were 16 hoping by combining them it would actually --17 MR. RUEBENACKER: Yes, wishful thinking. 18 19 So...

MR. DiGENNARO: Mr. Karle, you touched on 20 the reduction and the footprint of the building. 21

Under the proposed, the new roadway that's being 22

proposed, is there an overall decrease or increase

24 as a result of the --

MR. KARLE: There's a .1 decrease overall. 25

MR. TEN KATE: Can you verify your 1 testimony that there's no change in the building 2 height and the rest of the building would be --3 MR, KARLE: Absolutely no change. It's 4 5 the same building, just rearranged some balconies. CHAIRMAN FRY: Can you show an 6 7 illustration of the balconies that were not existing previously but will now? 8 MR. KARLE: No, they all existed 9 previously. It's just that you might have a 10 back-to-back bedroom layout where you reversed the 11 unit. So if the balcony was on the right side of 12 the unit and we flipped the floor plan, it may be on the left side of the unit. It's the same 14 balconies, just reversed image just to make the 15 plan better. 16 CHAIRMAN FRY: Are there any changes on 17

18 the tips, eastern most tips of those wings? MR. KARLE: Yes, they got slightly a few 19 inches further from our Hawthorne neighbors, not 20 enough to talk about, but they're slightly further 21

22 away. 23 CHAIRMAN FRY: Slightly further away.

MR. KARLE: I mean, like an inch. I mean, 24

technically, there's no change. 25

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Everything is a slight decrease, very slight.

MR. DiGENNARO: With the new proposal? 2

MR. KARLE: Yes.

MR. DiGENNARO: And were there any changes 4

to the stormwater management facilities on the 5

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MR. KARLE: No, because they were actually designed for this roadway system seven years ago, 8 whenever we started. We then downsized the application and never downsized the drainage 10 11 facilities. And we've still downsized the

application from the original 256, but we have 12

never downsized the drainage facility. So they're 13 more than ample. 14

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MR. DiGENNARO: So the drainage system is, so to speak, over designed.

MR. KARLE: Slightly.

MR. TEN KATE: Still working with them on 18 getting --19

MR. KARLE: Yeah, that's correct. Boswell 20 Engineering is doing a full review of all of our 21 drainage as they have in the past. The previous drainage design was approved and we have not 23

really altered it at all, just redirected the 24

25 water.

CHAIRMAN FRY: Okay. I want to make sure they're not any closer.

2 MR. KARLE: They're not any closer. We 3

made sure of that.

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CHAIRMAN FRY: Okay. Thank you. 5

MR. TEN KATE: One more question. There's 6 no change in critical slopes from the disturbance 7

from the last application to this? 8

MR, KARLE: Well, the new roadway effects 9 the slopes per the original application, so that 10

11 has been refiled.

MR, TEN KATE: Okay.

MR. KARLE: But the last approved 13 application, the road is in a totally different 14 place. So there is a new plan on that. But the 15 new plan is the old plan. 16

MR. TEN KATE: Right. But is there any

17 variances associated with that? 18

MR, KARLE: There are I think in Hawthorne 19 20 and maybe not in Wyckoff. I'd have to double 21 check that. Of course, we would want to be

22 subject to any need of variances for that. It's mostly a technical issue. 23

MR. TEN KATE: I don't think you applied 24

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MR, KARLE: Yes, 1

CHAIRMAN FRY: Mr. Ten Kate, you're good 2

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Mr. DiGennaro?

5 MR, DIGENNARO: Yes.

CHAIRMAN FRY: If the public has any questions on the proposed modifications for Building A or the South Gate structure or the generator. We discussed the balconies. I think that's pretty clear at this point or the reduced entry portal, so to speak, for the Vista project.

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I spoke at a previous meeting, I understand that I'm still under oath.

MR, COOK: You're just asking a question, so you don't have to be under oath.

MR. BUCHMAN: Okay. Mr. Karle, I want to ask you a question about the T-shaped blue roadway but I might not to need ask it if you can answer a preliminary question for me. Do you have a rough idea of the order of the magnitude of the number articulated cargo vehicles that arrive on a

typical business day at the campus?

same number of escapes and it should be just as 1 2 easy to escape in case of fire?

MR. KARLE: Yes. Just, for the record, 3

all of the provisions in the last approval 4

concerning extra stairs, extra egress, travel 5

distances, none of that has changed. That's in 6 7 the plan and that stays in the plan.

MR. GOODMAN: Thank you. 8

CHAIRMAN FRY: Good question, thank you.

Anyone else from the public?

All right. Why don't we get back into sort of the site plan in case we have any questions. Again, we're not necessarily going to discuss traffic related elements because we don't have the experts here to really answer those questions.

But, Board, I'll ask, are you comfortable 17 with what is now being proposed as Mr. Karle has 18 testified the red would be removed, the blue is 19 what would be new? That decision, that 20 determination, has not been made, so we really 21 want to look at should the proposed intersection 22 in Cedar Hill not be approved, what then is going 23 to be there. And if there are any questions about 24 25 circulation, which we did chew on extensively in

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MR. KARLE: Yes. Our traffic engineer, I believe, has already included those facts and figures in his traffic report and he'll be back in two weeks, so we can certainly give you a new answer to that if it wasn't previously answered.

MR. BUCHMAN: I didn't mean to ask a question you're not qualified to answer. It's just that the first right turn you spoke about looks to me to be less than 90 degrees and actually to me it's good news that the red lines are going to be omitted because that incentivizes tractor trailer drivers to use the new driveway that lines up with Cedar Hill Avenue instead of the old driveway.

MR. KARLE: Absolutely, absolutely. That is our goal. Thank you. They will just do it naturally. It will be the easy way to go.

MR. GOODMAN: Stanley Goodman, 691 Birchwood Drive, Wyckoff.

In the reduction of the square footage on the Vista, you no doubt remember that when you transition from non-combustible to wood construction you added a number of stairways to make it easier to get out in case of fire. So

with this reduction, is it still going to be the

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the previous application, but just in case we have

any questions. And, Mr. Ruebenacker, you kind of hit on it. That was my question. Should the main 3

intersection not go through, how does that then

impact what you have now proposed? Is there any 5

impact to any additions, which you've answered,

there would not be any impact to the additions. 7

Maybe we can just kind of talk to, what happens if the red is to remain, then what is the impact. We add spaces, what roads would be in;

10 what roads would be out. 11 MR. KARLE: Well, it would be the plan 12 that was approved by this board, which is the red 13 roads would be in. I haven't elaborated on the 14 fact, but our neighbor brought up the point that 15

the new blue road would be so convenient to use 16 coming off 208 coming up Cedar Hill Avenue that 17

there'd be no need for someone to try to find the 18

old small driveway which is at the top of the 19

drawing because they can come straight through, 20

21 they can enter, they can easily access the lower campus, they can easily access the middle campus, 22

they can easily access the upper campus. They 23

will not want to go up through this way they have 24

to now. They will not want to go down to Mountain 25

Avenue and come in the back way because it's just going to be too easy. So, I mean, to us, it

relieves the pressure on those intersections. Our

traffic engineer, of course, has testified at

length and can testify some more, but, yes, it's

just going to make everything easier.

CHAIRMAN FRY: Do any deliveries, tractor trailer wise, are they coming in off of Cedar Hill and making a right and a left into the site now?

MR. KARLE: Well, there's only two ways into the site now, either the existing driveway or Mountain Avenue. They have to use one or the other.

MR. STRUYK: I would say more than 90 percent of them come in off Sicomac Avenue.

CHAIRMAN FRY: Off Sicomac?

MR, STRUYK: Yes, Might be closer to 95.

CHAIRMAN FRY: Board members, any questions on the site layout, the interior

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MR. RUEBENACKER: Just to clarify, Mr. 21 22

Karle, just because based on your handout it looks

like the red road clips that corner of the new 23

proposed addition to Building A. I just want to

clarify that there's no impact there, so.

on the campus. So is there an impact on 1

2 structures; no. Is there an impact on the overall

campus infrastructure; yes. 3

CHAIRMAN FRY: But in the blue, in order 4 to cut that roadway, there would be a significant 5

loss of the trees anyway. Right? 6

MR. KARLE: Well, I'm going to 7

suggestively suggest that that area has been 8

disturbed in the past through the grading for the 9

existing road that's there. That is somewhat of a 10 rough hillside that has uncontrolled runoff at the 11

present time all of which will be improved by 12

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Most of the trees in these woods are 14 second growth, not in good shape, and, frankly, a 15 lot of them actually came down in Sandy and the 16 snowstorms because they're kind of spindly type 17 18 trees.

If you remember as part of our prior 19 approval, we walked the site with your Shade Tree 20

Commission, Mr. Borst, and the few trees we were 21 trying to save, he even, I won't testify for him, 22

but he basically said they're not worth saving. 23

And I think our landscape plan has been well 24

received. So even though that is a, you know,

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MR. KARLE: Well, the previously approved red road would go right up to that addition. If we had to do that, we may have to reduce that addition by a few feet.

That's a good point because we did not compare the two on that one spot. That spot is tight. That's the spot where you previously approved a porch addition because we knew that road was coming by the building and we were dressing up that side.

So your point, if we go back to this plan, it may impact that one side. You are correct. Yes.

MR. RUEBENACKER: It looked like it clipped the corner.

MR. KARLE: Yes.

CHAIRMAN FRY: No other impacts to structures?

MR. KARLE: The previous roadway system? CHAIRMAN FRY: Yes.

MR. KARLE: It did not impact structures 21 but it impacted many mature trees in the center 22 campus. It impacted utility lines. It impacted 23 parking access and it decreased one of the main 24

parking lots, one of the first ones you come up to 25

quote - forested area, it's a second growth straggly type of forest. 2

MR, VOGEL: How will it effect the runoff? 3 MR. KARLE: It will greatly improve the

runoff because there's a steep slope there now

that's wild that's never been improved. There's

gullies. You can walk back there and find

significant gullies which come down and over wash,

I guess it's Goffle Hill Road at that point. And

that all will be improved by this. It will be 10

improved. I mean, we always had it improved, but 11

this really catches the water in that area. 13

CHAIRMAN FRY: One other question for Mr. Struvk. 14

The properties that exist now, the old service station and the house, what is your anticipated date to demolish those? Have you thought about that at all? Are you going to wait until construction begins?

MR. STRUYK: That's a very good question, Mr. Chairman. Thanks for that, yes.

So under the existing approval, the resolution included a provision that we take those down. If you were to approve our application with the driveway, we would take those down. So no

matter which outcome we go with, we take the 1 buildings down. So we have actually preliminarily 2 started the application process for that. Not with the intention of doing anything. I don't by 4 any means want to be presumptuous, but since it's 5 going to come down one way or the other, we started the process so that we can begin the 7 demolition of that later this year. 8

CHAIRMAN FRY: Got you. Okay. So if there is activity out there, it isn't to be suspected that somebody is moving forward on the application without having final approval.

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MR. STRUYK: No, we have much work to go through in order to comply with the building department's requirements for that. So even if we wanted to, we have a little ways to go there.

CHAIRMAN FRY: Okay. Thank you. Board members, any major questions, concerns on what's been proposed so far on at least the Building A and the South Gate?

MR. RUEBENACKER: Just, Mr. Struyk, regarding the removal of that community area in the Vista. As we all know, the Vista was inherently beneficial based on it being a

continuing care facility, I think is what we had

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called it and what it's labeled as. However, I just want to make sure that by removing this, what 2 you called recreation area or facility, we don't 3 jeopardize that inherently beneficial. So I just 4 want to kind of, a little bit of background what 5 exactly and, again, I'm not going to open up these 6 massive plans, but what exactly was removed and 7 also why was that piece of the previous 8 application removed? 9

MR. STRUYK: It did not house anywhere 10 near all the essential activities or functions. 11 It was more of a lounge gathering area, some 12 interior or aesthetic features. It doesn't take 13 away any of the interior programming that were 14 part of the Vista whatsoever. It was really more, 15 it came out of a little bit more efficient design 16 of the space and looking at where the value would 17 best be as far as our investment concern. And 18 what was going to be derived from that gathering 19 area was we could better use those resources for 20 some of what you mentioned elsewhere on the 21 side of --22 MR. RUEBENACKER: Thank you. Thanks for

CHAIRMAN FRY: Good question. Thank you.

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2 aggressive. They're kind of filling in some voids 3 that they had and they're using some of the space. 4

5 And just to be clear, if you do not get acceptance

from the Department of Health, the addition of 6

those six rooms would not go through? 7

MR. STRUYK: We might have the opportunity through another process to potentially add them, but, no, no more than that. But the likelihood of that not happening, based on my experience and the 11 fact that no other existing provider submitted an 12 application for what the state is looking to 13 provide, the likelihood of us not being approved, 14 that and given our track record is highly remote. 15

CHAIRMAN FRY: So the board will assume it 16 is going to go through regardless. 17

MR. STRUYK: It's my expectation, yes. CHAIRMAN FRY: Okay. Thank you. Last shot, if anybody has anything major to discuss because I want to try to move forward.

Like I said, we're not going to get into 22 the traffic testimony tonight. But I do want to 23 make sure that any questions are flushed out at 24

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this meeting for the structural components because

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we probably will not revisit them.

MS. YUDIN: I was just wondering if 2 Boswell's letter of, Boswell Engineering's letter 3 of May 24th there was some things that they were 4

going to go over, like the environmental impact

statement and some other things and I was 6

wondering if we were going to hear testimony from 7

them as to some of these questions? 8

MR. TEN KATE: I can just go over some of 9 those questions. 10

Can you just present testimony if there's 11 any change to the environmental impact --12

MR. KARLE: No.

MR. TEN KATE: Basically, I'm trying to clean up the new application from the previous testimony.

MS. YUDIN: Right.

MR. KARLE: There's no change.

MR. TEN KATE: Did the soil removing did 19 change, the amount of soil being removed? 20

MR. KARLE: We'll submit a new application 21 22 for soil removing, yes.

MR. TEN KATE: Okay. The quantities will 23 24 change?

MR. KARLE: For the Vista itself the

quantities have not changed; for the roadway, obviously, they'll be quantities for the roadway. 2 3 MR. TEN KATE: Okay. I have a question on the design of the roadway itself, the new entrance 4 road. Does that grade, it's a pretty steep grade 5 going down. 6 MR. KARLE: Right. 7 MR. TEN KATE: When it hits the 8 intersection, it meets all the design criteria --9 MR, KARLE: Yes, yes. 10 MR. TEN KATE: -- to an intersection? 11 MR. KARLE: Yes, I believe it goes down to 12 13

two percent at the intersection in accordance with all county requirements and, obviously, it has to 14 comply with all county requirements. 15

MR. TEN KATE: We covered the critical 16 17 slopes.

CHAIRMAN FRY: I'll kind of jump in in between.

What's proposed in blue, should that be 20 approved, will we see a significant increase in 21 soil or any element that's existing being removed 22 from the site? 23

24 MR. KARLE: No, no.

CHAIRMAN FRY: So no increased trucking or 25

access and the campus and only a small portion is

in Hawthorne, they would defer their action until

they saw whatever action this board would take on

the application. 4

5 MS. YUDIN: Number 64, the lighting. You were going to review the lighting plan? 6

MR. TEN KATE: Yes. We'll review it the 7 next meeting. 8

MS. YUDIN: Okay.

CHAIRMAN FRY: That will be reviewed for 10 the next meeting. 11

Mr. Ten Kate, is there anything else 12 specific to the buildings that you want to bring 13 up so we can at least get that on record tonight? 14 MR. TEN KATE: I think they answered my 15

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CHAIRMAN FRY: Is there, on the topic of 17 site lighting, is there any new lighting proposed, 18 wall pack lights, anything on those structures? 19

MR. KARLE: No. Only code required egress 20 lighting. We usually use hidden lamp source, 21

night sky component. 22

CHAIRMAN FRY: Okay.

MS. YUDIN: Can you point out the location

of the fire hydrants? 25

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any bringing material in or out?

MR. KARLE: No, we're still trying to hold 2 almost a balance cut and fill. It's just pure 3

economics. It's good for us. You'll see a 4

significant decrease in uncontrolled water runoff 5

as I've testified in the past.

CHAIRMAN FRY: Okay. 7

MR. TEN KATE: I didn't see any other 8

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MS. YUDIN: You had some questions about 10 the water and Hawthorne. 11

MR. TEN KATE: Can you give us an update on 12 the water supply? 13

MR. KARLE: I believe verbally Hawthorne 14 Water is in agreement with supplying, but I don't 15 think it's been memorialized yet. 16

MR. TEN KATE: You still have to go before 17 the Hawthorne Planning Board? 18

MR. KARLE: We still have to go before the 19 Hawthorne Planning Board for these changes, yes. 20 That was scheduled and they're just waiting for 21

the outcome of this hearing. 22 23

MR. VOGEL: I filed both applications simultaneously. Hawthorne indicated that since

the part of the application is in Wyckoff, the

MR. KARLE: Can I point them out?

MS. YUDIN: Will you? 2

MR. KARLE: Well, there's a complete loop 3

around the building. I don't know if I can point

them out. They're generally about every 300 to

400 feet. No change from the approved plan. 6

There's an eight-inch main looping the building 7

with fire hydrants throughout. That hasn't

changed. They were all on the previously approved plan and that has not changed. 10

We'll see if we can find them.

CHAIRMAN FRY: There's no change from the original?

MR. KARLE: No change, but they're there. 14 They're actually there. 15

CHAIRMAN FRY: I see them all. 16

MR. KARLE: They're on drawing SP.41,

which should be in your packet. 18

CHAIRMAN FRY: We did some extensive 19 review on that. 20

MR. KARLE: Yes.

CHAIRMAN FRY: Okay. No changes to 22 sprinklers. 23

> No changes to anything else, life safety. Mr. Goodman asked a question, you're

reducing the stairs, you said no, egress will 1 2 still be the same.

The balconies you testified Hawthorne will 3 get a slight beef of about an inch. 4

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CHAIRMAN FRY: Positive, I suppose.

MR. KARLE: Basically, it's no change but 7 we had to slide a few things here and there an 8 inch. 9

CHAIRMAN FRY: Okay. 10

MS. YUDIN: I was wondering if the Shade Tree Commission is going to review, since we've had so many storms over the years since we made the approval, if they could re-review the landscape plan against the existing situation now? MR. KARLE: Well, if I could respond out

16 of order. 17

Basically, there's all new landscaping around the building. We did walk the site with Mr. Borst to try to salvage some trees and he actually said salvaging the trees was not advisable. They were leggy. So the plan was all new landscaping. It was well received. Very nice comments actually, some of the review comments.

MS. YUDIN: So none of that is going to

does, yes. 1

CHAIRMAN FRY: Was that in here? 2 3

MR. KARLE: Yes. Let's see if we have it.

CHAIRMAN FRY: I didn't look at the fine 4

details to see if any new trees were added, to be 5 6

honest.

MR. KARLE: They wanted a no disturb zone 7 up and down. But we also agreed to spot some

trees. I believe the final resolution was they

10 would be spotted with their Shade Tree Commission

at the time of planting in the no disturb zone. 11

So they actually had to give us a variance to 12

disturb their no disturb zones to make the trees 13

better. And that was all worked out and I think 14

they were pleased with it. 15

CHAIRMAN FRY: Oh, I'm glad it worked out. 16

MR. KARLE: Did I summarize that right? 17

MR. VOGEL: Yes. Their buffer required 18 that it remain natural and be no intruding but 19

they wanted trees added and my answer was we can 20

certainly add the trees that you want but you got 21

to give us permission to go into that zone. So 22

what you see is what was added closest to the 23

homes and left the buffer in its natural state 24

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MR. KARLE: No, because it's all going to 2 be new. It's all going to be new. 3

MS. YUDIN: Is it going to change from the 4 original landscape plan? 5

MR. KARLE: No, no.

MS. YUDIN: And where you were going to build the road before, you're not building it so how is that going to be? There's got to be some changes there.

MR. KARLE: Where we're not building the road there'll be no change because that's already there with mature trees. Where we are building the road we're actually reverting to the original landscape plan which had some planting. Hawthorne also asked us to add trees at the last hearing several years ago, which we did, to increase their buffer and also to not disturb their buffer. And none of that has changed.

CHAIRMAN FRY: Do they have a completely different site landscaping plan?

MR. KARLE: No, they have the same plans. 22 CHAIRMAN FRY: And it reflects the trees 23 that they added. 24

MR. KARLE: I believe at this point it

CHAIRMAN FRY: Okay. All right. Mr. Ten

Kate, unless you have any other questions or if

anybody else on the board has any other questions,

I'll leave it open. If the public has any last 4

questions. We're going to try to wrap up

testimony on the structures so we that can move 6

the application forward to the next meeting. 7

Board, last call.

MR. RUEBENACKER: If the blue is approved, 9 10 the new roadway, will that go in first before the construction begins? 11

MR. KARLE: The construction manager would 12 like to do that first because he wants to access 13 the site right off 208 the most he can. So, yes. 14

15 MR. VOGEL: Our plan, and not to get into the light again, our plan was to put the road in

17 first so all the construction, all the

construction movement would come through that 18

roadway, the intersection. And the county has 19

agreed that they would put the temporary light in 20 if it's approved immediately so that the truck

21 traffic on construction would be regulated by the 22

light as well. 23 CHAIRMAN FRY: And should the light not 24

get approved, what's the plan for construction

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MR. KARLE: Our plan is to still come in 2 and out the same way on a temporary basis, but it

will certainly be much preferable to have a

temporary light there. 5

CHAIRMAN FRY: So it would make sense 6 you're going to look to cut a road in straight 7

down to Cedar Hill regardless. 8

MR. KARLE: I think that's how the 9 construction manager is planning it at this point, 10 ves. 11

CHAIRMAN FRY: Okay, All right. Public? 12 We'll hear some comments from the public 13 and then we're going to look to close the meeting. 14

MS. LAIOSA: Rayna, R-a-y-n-a, Laiosa,

L-a-i-o-s-a, from Hawthorne. 16

CHAIRMAN FRY: What's your address? 17 MS. LAIOSA: 89 Minerva, M-i-n-e-r-v-a, 18

Avenue, Hawthorne. 19

And I'm on the Hawthorne Environmental 20 Commission and Green Team Chair. 21

So my --22

CHAIRMAN FRY: These are just questions to 23

the testimony you heard this evening, right? 24

MS. LAIOSA: I can testify too, if you 25

I'm going to zoom in.

So there's the retention basin.

3 MS. LAIOSA: Right.

MR. KARLE: There's emergency spillways 4

5 indicated by these dark spaces and the natural

outlet goes out where it overflows currently now. 6

So that overflow, that washout that occurs will be 7

controlled by this structure. This structure is

cutting to the hill. So this side is natural

grade. The roadside is natural grade. But 10

there's technically a dam, if you will, embankment 11

on the lower side. So this road will not have any 12

impact on that. 13

And I know you brought this up at the 14 Hawthorne hearings. 15

MS. LAIOSA: Yes. 16

MR. KARLE: And we have had 17

pre-application meetings with the Dam Safety 18

Division of New Jersey and we're doing some 19

modeling for them and we'll have that application 20

21 in shortly.

MS. LAIOSA: Okay. 22

MR. KARLE: And I'm sure you'll want to

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MS. LAIOSA: Well, yes, because we had a 25

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MR. COOK: No, no, this part of the 2

hearing is just limited to questions. 3 4

MS. LAIOSA: Okay. The question is, the

roadway with the blue. 5

Can you put that back up, please?

CHAIRMAN FRY: I'm sorry, who did you say 7

you're with? Hawthorne... 8

MS. LAIOSA: Hawthorne Environmental

Commission. 10

CHAIRMAN FRY: Environmental Commission. 11

Thank you. 12

MS. LAIOSA: I'm the chair.

So the blue road, my question is, you have 14

a retention basin right along that roadway. 15

MR. KARLE: Right.

MS. LAIOSA: You're cutting in. That is a 17

dam classified by the Stormwater of New Jersey. 18

How close is that road to the dam?

Because the dam is high to low. There's not much

distance from the roadway. So, like, how wide is 21

that road and then you've got the dam where all 22

the water's going in and going out in case of an 23

emergency. 24

MR. KARLE: Yes, good question.

difference of opinion of the classification of the

dam. There are four levels of dam classifications

and my -- I should give you my background.

I have a bachelor of science in

environmental science from Stockton College of New 5

Jersey. And I have a master's in environmental 6

engineering from Stevens. So I got the best of 7

both worlds; science and engineering. And I've

been doing environmental work for the last 20

years, compliance and policy. 10

So based on where the location of this dam 11

and with the housing and the condos across the 12

street, there's concerns about catastrophe, if 13

14 something happens.

MR. COOK: This is not the appropriate 15

part of the hearing. 16

MS. LAIOSA: So I think Ken answered the 17

question. So is it going to be level like the 18

roadway? You're not cutting into the dam? 19

MR. KARLE: Not at that location, no, it

won't effect the retention basin. 21

MS. LAIOSA: So when the trucks come,

you're going to have a guard rail or something? 23 MR. KARLE: There will be guard railing in

spots. The roadway will not endanger the 25

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MS. LAIOSA: That was the main concern. 2

MR. KARLE: Yes, yes. The basin's on the 3 uphill side. The side on the uphill side. It's 4

not on the dam side. 5

MS. LAIOSA: Okay. So it's on the upper? 6

MR. KARLE: Yes, side and upper. Yes.

MS. LAIOSA: Okay. 8

MR. KARLE: And it curves away from where 9 the embankment is. 10

MR. VOGEL: And maybe, Ken, you can point 11 where the dam is and where the roadway is and 12 where the Hawthorne/Wyckoff line is. 13

MR, KARLE: This is the embankment. These 14 are the spillways here and here. This is the 15 bottom of it with the riffraff on the bottom. The 16 municipal boundary is here with Wyckoff on this 17 side and Hawthorne on this side. New roadway 18 comes up alongside of it and this well above it, 19 so the embankment is here. 20

We had a difference at the last hearing on the classification. We believe it is going to be classified as Class 2 dam, which is what you had said, I believe. And we are making that application and we will certainly share that with

putting in the roadway and that will be 1 2

integrating --

MR. KARLE: Yeah, and they'll be putting 3 the retention basin in is one of the first things. 4

5 MS. LAIOSA: Okay. Thank you.

That's it.

CHAIRMAN FRY: Thank you, That's a lot of 7

dam classifications. 8

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So, just so we're clear, should the 9 proposed blue not go through, the retention, 10 everything over there is designed for all the 11 capabilities as previously approved? 12

MR. KARLE: It's approved right now. 13

Nothing has changed. 14

> CHAIRMAN FRY: You're answering all my questions.

Anyone else from the public? 17 MR. BUCHMAN: Timothy Buchman, 18

B-u-c-h-m-a-n. 19

Mr. Karle, 15 or 20 minutes ago you were 20 asked a guestion about what would happen if the 21 blue road wasn't built. I want to stipulate that 22

in general I support the current application, but 23

six years ago I only heard one piece of testimony 24

before this board that was absolutely shocking to

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MS. LAIOSA: Okay. Great.

MR. KARLE: Because I know if we don't share it with you tonight, you're going to ask me in three weeks when we get to Hawthorne.

MS. LAIOSA: It's more of the, you're cutting the road and water's coming up and the slopes, it looks like there's steep slopes, kind of --

MR. KARLE: There are steep slopes. They're manmade steep slopes in this area when they constructed this road. They're actually eroding and this is actually going to clean that up and stabilize it.

MS. LAIOSA: See, the steep slopes are like way in here where you're building.

MR, KARLE: That area is actually not steep sloped. It's up more above. This area is sloped, but it's not steep sloped. The steep slopes are up along this road.

MS. LAIOSA: Okay.

MR. KARLE: Where, you know, 15, 20 years 22 ago they pushed this dirt off the edge there and 23 there is some erosion there. 24

MS, LAIOSA: But you're going to be

me, and that was the Hawthorne homeowners'

allegations about poor maintenance of steep

slopes. I'd like to confirm that tonight you

stated that there exists steep slopes in poor condition on the campus.

MR. KARLE: Well, the natural area, the 6 natural wooded area has natural runoff and I think that's one of the things we testified for probably

a year that there is uncontrolled runoff from that 9

area at the present time including the 10

non-disturbed zone in Hawthorne as uncontrolled

runoff. So we're going to actually capture some of that for the first time and improve it. 13

CHAIRMAN FRY: Does that answer your 14 question? 15

MR. BUCHMAN: Thank you, yes.

CHAIRMAN FRY: You're welcome. 17

Anvone else? 18

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MS. LONSKI: Maryann Lonski, Birchwood 19 Drive, 679. 20

Without going through the whole light 21 thing that we've been through for the past couple 22 of months, I'm still very concerned about the 23 impact on Mountain and Sicomac and also the fact 24 that Cedar Hill intersection is working quite

 My question is, has any consideration ever been given about putting a light where the existing entrance to Christian Health Care is now? I've seen some very creative traffic lighting in difficult challenging areas and is it possible that that should be considered before a decision is made?

CHAIRMAN FRY: So I don't know if we have anyone here that can provide any facts to support whether it could or could not or should or should not. We can certainly raise it at the next meeting.

You're planning on having Stantec at the meeting?

MR. VOGEL: I'll make a note to have Stantec be prepared.

CHAIRMAN FRY: Very good.

So they'll be prepared to discuss it at the next meeting.

It's a good question. Thank you.

MS. LONSKI: Thank you.

CHAIRMAN FRY: Anyone else?

Okay. Seeing nobody else, we're going to wrap it up for tonight.

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Sue, the date for the next meeting is the 24th. We're going to carry the application to July 24th.

MS. McQUAID: At 7:30.

CHAIRMAN FRY: Mr. Cook, okay with that?

MR. COOK: I'm fine with that.

CHAIRMAN FRY: With that being said, that concludes tonight's testimony.

Thank you very much.

Motion to adjourn.

All in favor.

(Whereupon, the proceedings concluded at 9:00 p.m.)

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