

Town of Wallingford, Connecticut

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KEVIN J. PAGINI TOWN PLANNER

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FINAL AGENDA

The following Public Hearings will be heard at the Wallingford Planning and Zoning Commission's meeting of Monday, July 12, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. REMOTELY ONLY. The meeting can be accessed through: https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/507710629 You can also dial in using your phone. (For supported devices, tap a one-touch number below to join instantly.) United States (Toll Free): 1 877 309 2073 -One-touch: tel:+18773092073,,507710629# United States: +1 (646) 749-3129 -One-touch: tel:+6467493129,,507710629# Access Code: 507-710-629 Live Stream of the meeting will also be available on the Town of Wallingford You Tube Channel: https://www.youtube.com/c/wallingfordgovernmenttelevision Materials for this Public Hearing will be posted on the Town's website: www.town.wallingford.ct.us **Call to Order Pledge of Allegiance Roll Call**

Consideration of Minutes – June 14, 2021

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6.	Flood Plain Permit/Cavallaro/475 Williams Road	#810-21
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PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. Special Permit Revision (vehicle storage & wheel repair)/18 Duncan Street, LLC/18 Duncan St. #406-21

WALLINGFORD PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION

DATED AT WALLINGFORD June 29, 2021 PUBLICATION DATES July 1, 2021 July 8, 2021

Individuals in need of auxiliary aids for effective communication in programs and services of the Town of Wallingford are invited to make their needs and preferences known to the ADA Compliance Coordinator at 203-294-2070 five (5) days prior to meeting date.



Hello Kevin,

I have additional concerns about the Amazon project and wanted to send those along.

Micheal Dion from BL companies basically said they don't care how heavy traffic is during the 6 week holiday period. They said they don't evaluate traffic during these periods, but this neighborhood and families up here do not stop living and going about their daily lives just because the company doesn't care how bad traffic gets since it's only "6 weeks."

The applicant failed to provide many points and information the committee asked for. They are avoiding providing the information they know is important including specific detailed traffic information, and are only providing solutions that they want to make. Decreasing parking during holiday peak does nothing for us: this is still 4 out of 12 months traffic has no data collection over. It will already be unbearable, let alone allowing this applicant to just not provide any details about holiday traffic.

The applicant also mentioned this is distrubution center. This area is zoned for a warehouse. Nothing is being held in this facility, as they are stating 1,200 cars will be in and out each day. I can't fathom how this project is appropriate.

Also, they continue to mention the noise and how it won't be a concern. I can hear cars from the highway, and I can hear cars driving down research parkway. Did they take into account any echoing that these trucks will put off ? We live in a valley up here and everything echos. If I can hear one single car driving down research parkway at night or a motorcycle going by, or construction trucks or tree trucks working on my neighbors houses, there is absolutely no way when they add 1,200 cars and trucks in and out every day that we won't hear a single noise.

Thank you, Emma Mendillo Emma Golebiewski

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Dear Mr Pagini,

In regard to the noise caused by the proposed Amazon project, I want to point out that I don't think that 150 extra trees will do much to muffle the back-up noise from their trucks. The Blue Trail shooting range is almost 3 miles away from my house and, when the wind is blowing to the north, I can hear all the gunshots. There are MANY trees and homes in that 3 mile area and yet the sound is loud and clear on certain days. I believe that it would take a physical sound barrier, similar to that used by the side of highways, to truly reduce the sound from this proposed project.

Thank you,

Susan Durant

On Wed, Jun 9, 2021 at 3:37 PM S. Durant <<u>susandurant414@gmail.com</u>> wrote: Dear Mr. Pagini,

I am writing to voice my strong objection to the proposed Amazon facility at 5 Research Parkway in Wallingford. My family moved to this neighborhood 9 years ago for the peace and quiet. The thought of having a 24/7 Amazon facility half a mile from my house sickens me.

1. The noise will be unbearable, even if they do plant a few extra trees. We won't be able to sleep with our windows open at night, due to the loud back-up beeping of their trucks. When I go into my yard to garden, all I will hear is beeping. The constant 24/7 noise will be maddening. That a town with a noise ordinance would consider this proposal is beyond my understanding.

2. The traffic congestion will be horrendous (at the present time, I rarely pass a vehicle on Carpenter Lane).

3. The extra air pollution from the hundreds of trucks/vans will poison our air and make life tough for those with

respiratory issues. The health of the town's residents should be important to our leadership.

4. They say they will leave 50% of the property in its natural state. That's what they say now, but what is to prevent them from removing all the trees in the future? What impact will this have on the water runoff situation?

5. Every year, the town mails me a brochure instructing me how to protect the watershed area. This includes minimizing oil and gas spills and leaks. Someone from the town physically comes to my property to ensure that I am not polluting the watershed. How could the town consider a proposal that includes 300 vans & trucks <u>per day</u> at 5 Research Parkway? How will the town monitor the oil leakage from the employees' vehicles? The damage to the watershed, and our drinking water, will be tremendous. This will negatively impact the entire town.

6. It is my understanding that this property is zoned as a warehouse. The Amazon proposal is not a warehouse. Nothing is being housed there. It is a loading/unloading zone that operates all day and all night.

7. Home values will plummet for the entire neighborhood. Who will want to buy a home that is bombarded by noise 24/7?

This is a beautiful piece of property. Almost any use would be preferable to an Amazon facility. This property would make a lovely apartment complex, a medical facility, or a nursing home. I heard that a school wanted to go into that property when BMS moved out. A school would be far preferable to an Amazon facility.

Thank you for your time. I hope you will vote to deny this atrocity.

Susan Durant 36 Cliffside Drive Wallingford

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Date	2021-06-14 23:37	401-21	
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Hi Kevin -

My audio was competing with someone's non-muted microphone (and dog!), so in case you could not completely hear my comments, (to facilitate transcription) here is what I read. - thanks!!

REQUESTED FROM AMAZON - can we get a detail rendering of the building layout - a sideview of all four sides please?

COMMENT:

1. I want to point out that, although the Carpenter Lane entrance/exit was removed, nothing PREVENTS vehicles from making a right toward Carpenter leaving the Amazon site at the light onto Research Pkwy and driving thru the neighborhood.

2. Regarding the impact of this site (and its iINTENSITY) on the neighborhood, as a High Hill resident, <u>all</u> my local retail is located west on route 68 on route 5 (grocery stores, 24 hour Walmart, etc)...I have concerns that my 10 to 15 minute trip will likely be closer to 1/2 an hour at best...and for the holidays I will NEED to order my food and gifts from Amazon, because I will not be ABLE to leave my house :)

Jane Wronka 54 High Hill Road

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Subject5 Research ParkwayFromRobert DeMaio <rdem@comcast.net>Tokevin.pagini@wallingfordct.gov <kevin.pagini@wallingfordct.gov>Date2021-06-14 22:30PriorityNormal



Hi Kevin-

I asked the question how the large UPS like vehicles have been factored into the traffic study - they behave differently (slower to turn, slower to start from a stop and difficult for other drivers to maneuver when near them). I would have to assume this has a factor on the numbers.

There are probably 30% of the vehicles at S Cherry Street that are these larger vehicles, so what's to stop them from having that many or more at 5 Research Parkway - its seems to me this is an important factor to consider is any traffic analysis.

Is this something you can have the traffic peer reviewer look into?

Thank you, Bob DeMaio 14 Marie Lane



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Alison Kapushinski, P.E. Town Engineer

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TO: Planning & Zoning Commission

FROM: Department of Engineering

RE: PZC Application #401-21 5 Research Parkway/ Special Permit Application Traffic Summary

DATE: July 1, 2021

Dear Commissioners:

We are in receipt of the following materials for the referenced application:

- Permit Documents for Proposed Development, BL Companies, dated October 6, 2020 and last revised June 18, 2021
- Traffic Analysis Addendum #1 Full Closure of Carpenter Lane Entrance, BL Companies, dated June 2021
- Various Traffic Peer Review letters, VN Engineers
- Various Response to Comment Letters, BL Companies

We offer the following comments based on the submitted materials:

- 1) This Department has the following outstanding comments from our April 28, 2021 memo. A response to some comments was received by Jeffrey Dewey in a memo dated June 21, 2021:
 - "Additionally, if the excess parking is found to be needed during peak holiday time, the Commission could consider requiring the applicant to block parking in overflow areas during off-peak months to limit the amount of deicing agent and vehicles sitting unattended for extended periods of time, as this could contribute to oil leaks and other environmental concerns within the Watershed Protection District. Another strategy could be to use a pervious ground cover, such as reinforced turf, for the areas of "overflow" parking."
 - This comment has not yet been addressed with Engineering. The Planning & Zoning Office may have had discussions with the applicant regarding this comment.

July 1, 2021 5 Research Parkway

• "Bedrock is anticipated to be encountered during earthwork operations. The Contractor may use mechanical methods and/or blasting to remove the unwanted bedrock. Due to the proximity to a residential neighborhood, the Commission may consider conditions to abate or minimize noise and/or dust."

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- The applicant's engineer mentions pre- and post-blasting surveys to be completed to ensure no property damage occurs, however the response does not address strategies to abate or minimize noise and/or dust.
- 2) Please note that the project size (over 100,000 GFA and/or 200 parking spaces) requires a submission to the Office of State Traffic Administration (OSTA) as a Major Traffic Generator. OSTA will review the project for their traffic impact on the state highway system. In the submitted Traffic Analysis, the Applicant states OSTA will only be reviewing steady state traffic generation and will <u>not</u> be reviewing Holiday Peak traffic generation.

3) Traffic Impact Analysis Recap

The application being considered includes several layers to the submitted traffic analysis. They have studied:

- Steady-state AM/Mid-day/PM peak hours of the adjacent roadway network.
- Steady-state Generator AM/PM peak hour. The applicant has shifted their operations time in a way that avoids overlapping with the adjacent roadway's peak hours. Therefore, they have submitted an analysis for the AM and PM peak hour of the subject site's operations to analyze if the traffic generated by this development would change the adjacent roadway's peak hours.
- Holiday AM/Mid-day/PM peak hours of the adjacent roadway network.
- Holiday Generator AM/PM Peak Hour
- 4) <u>Traffic Level of Service</u>

The level of service (LOS) is a qualitative measure used to describe the operational conditions of the traffic stream along sections of roadways or at intersection. LOS is generally expressed in terms of ability to maneuver within the traffic stream, delay, driver comfort, ability to obtain desired speeds, and safety. LOS is noted with letters A through F, with A describing the best conditions and F describing the worst. LOS D corresponds to poor driver comfort and convenience. LOS E and F are typically not acceptable from a driver usability standpoint with long delays at intersections and light cycles that do not clear the queue, and can result in disruptive wave propagating upstream to the next intersection.

Under the <u>steady-state</u> operations, the traffic analysis shows no intersection movements with a LOS F. The following intersection movements are found to operate at a LOS E in the "build" condition:

- AM Roadway Peak Hour: Route 68 eastbound thru lane at I-91 Southbound Exit 15 ramps
- PM Roadway Peak Hour: I-91 Southbound Exit 15 off-ramp middle lane (which allows left and right turns).
- PM Roadway Peak Hour: I-91 Northbound Exit 15 off-ramp middle lane (which allows left onto Route 68 and straight back onto I-91).
- PM Roadway Peak Hour: Research Parkway left/thru lane at Route 68

Per letter from Montante Construction dated June 23, 2021, Amazon anticipates holiday peak traffic up to 3 months of the year. An excerpt from the <u>Holiday</u> Analysis Appendix includes the following excerpt outlining which intersection movements are projected to perform at LOS E or F:

- Route 68 at I-91 Southbound Exit 15 On/Off Ramps:
 - Route 68 Eastbound Thru (PM Build Holiday, PM Holiday Improved, and AM Holiday Improved)
 - Route 68 Westbound Left (PM Build Holiday and PM Holiday Improved)
 - Exit 15 Off-Ramp SB Left (PM Build Holiday)
 - Exit 15 Off-Ramp SB Left/Right (PM Build Holiday and PM Holiday Improved)
 - Exit 15 Off-Ramp SB Right (PM Build Holiday)
- Route 68 at I-91 Northbound Exit 15 On/Off-Ramps
 - Route 68 WB Thru (AM/PM Build Holiday)
 - Exit 15 Off-Ramp NB Thru (PM Build Improved Holiday)
 - Exit 15 Off-Ramp NB Right (PM Build Holiday)
- Route 68 at Hotel Drive and Research Parkway
 - Route 68 EB Left (PM Build Holiday and AM Peak Generator Build Holiday, and PM Holiday Improved)
 - Route 68 WB Thru (AM Build Holiday)
 - Research Parkway SB Left/Thru (PM Build Holiday and PM Holiday Improved)
- 5) The Commission may want clarification from the Applicant regarding the OSTA approval process. It appears that the South Cherry delivery station was approved by OSTA in July 2020. The project was approved by Planning & Zoning Commission with a timing adjustment to the signal at the intersection of Route 5 and John Street. To my knowledge, the timing has not been adjusted, though the site has been operational for months. Large queues on John Street are common throughout the day as vans are leaving the delivery station to start their routes. It's unclear if the timing is still being reviewed, or if it was rejected by OSTA. If proposed lane reconfigurations for the subject application are rejected by OSTA, the LOS will revert back to the Holiday peak hour LOS rather than the Holiday Improved during three

months out of the year. The Holiday Peak includes LOS E and F for all but two approach lanes at the Route 68 and I-91 Southbound Exit 15 On/Off Ramp intersection during the PM peak hour of the adjacent roadway network. Please see item 4 above regarding other LOS E and F intersection approaches.

If you have any questions or require any additional information, please let me know.

) Subject	Amazon site 401-21 XX (3)	
From	Bill Piantek billyp7@comcast.net>	
То	kevin.pagini@wallingfordct.gov <kevin.pagini@wallingfordct.gov> BECEIVED</kevin.pagini@wallingfordct.gov>	
Date	2021-06-17 09:17	
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Dear Sir:

WALLINGFORD PLANNING & ZONING

I was listening in on the hearing involving the Amazon site on the evening of June 14th. I am a resident at 79 High Hill Road, 200 feet from what I will call the "cliff". That means I can walk over and see the entire site and clear to Waterbury at the same time.

I will throw a few things out here that I am sure the commission have been thinking about and others in the area have expressed.

If this thing moves forward it will turn out to be one of the most talked about ecological problems not only for Wallingford, but for the State of Connecticut. There is zero doubt in my mind.

Water runoff from oil, gas, rubber, other automotive pollution and fluids, etc. to the reservoir should be by itself reason enough to pull the plug on this and I have a well (240 feet deep). I do not get my water from the town. A gentleman stated that 94% of the town water comes from the McKenzie Reservoir. I do not know if that is accurate, but if it is even remotely close that should be reason enough. Need no others. Scary. I was shell shocked when that was brought up. I consider that part a no brainer for my fellow Wallingford residents south of Rt. 68.

Amazon will never be able to treat that runoff. Never, and anyone who has given this 10 minutes of thought knows it, too. That is one huge aquifer. The town walks my backyard every year to look for potential problems to the aquifer. Why? If they are walking my backyard and actually considering letting this project fly, I find that stunning. But I have the sincerest hope that the commission is completely privy to this impending disaster. There is no way to handle the amount of runoff from that amount of driveway and asphalt. No matter how many pools they make. Treatment, whatever.

<u>Noise pollution.</u> I have my windows open 5 days a year because of Rt. 91 traffic noise. I go to air conditioning in early May simply because the constant noise will keep one awake or wake you up. (Worse at night and early AM). Air to heat in the fall. No choice.

Those backup alarms?? Oh my. What a lie. I was working in my backyard on Wednesday and am still amazed how clear the sounds of Rt. 91 by itself is. You and the commission would be surprised. <u>Air pollution.</u> I can smell automobile fumes in my backyard ANY day the wind does not blow, and EVERY day it blows from west or northwest. And that is simply from Rt. 91. Their studies can be deemed laughable. We live this life. The studies lie. Running and idling diesel. Scores of additional vehicles of any type. This is seriously life changing. No driver is coming in, dropping, hooking back up again and rolling out in the time Ms. Schumer claims. That is pure folly. We all know that. Once it's in, it's in. We'll never be able to move them out. Litigation for that would be monstrous and Wallingford will never out litigate Amazon. Ouch. That would be easy for Amazon.

<u>Traffic.</u> We all know where the traffic goes from here. It's not good now. Let's be serious about this. I am a frequent exiter of the 91 North 15 exit. 2 trucks, one car or 2 cars, one truck per light change. Common folks. No way, no how does this problem get better. Ever. Only worse and I don't care how many lanes they fool with. Seasonal, non seasonal. This is really nothing but common sense. The "study" did not incorporate the traffic coming from the east. OMG. Even now, at the end of Covid the bottom of High Hill is a disaster. And that's turning right. Forget left. No way.

And, by the way, for those that think they don't run up High Hill and run the extra mile? ("Where they didn't do the study?) Nice try. They do it both ways. Just remember this, I've been here at this residence for 31 years. I've seen it, I know it, I've lived it and I know how it has fluctuated (while Bristol Myers was there). They cut through here simply to turn right onto Research Parkway and go north.

Bottom line.... I would rather have my taxes go up a \$1000. a year than finish the remainder of my time under the circumstances this is going to create. Meaning, that the Town of Wallingford has to determine if the extra bucks they get from Amazon to add to the grand list is worth creating an ecological disaster that will run from a mile west of Rt. 91 to the Durham/Middlefield town line and possibly beyond (especially regarding the pollution). And the drinking water for people in their wells locally and down to the reservoir. This will eventually turn into a State of Connecticut eyesore where everyone will be bringing up this case moving forward. This will be a newsmaker. And I am dead serious. I have the feeling that many of the commission members know that this is what is facing them. I sincerely believe that after watching some of them and listening to their concerns as well. This ends up being brains over bucks. Below I will give you my personal information:: Call me, stop by, we can walk the area. We can talk. This is open invitation. For you or for any of the other commission members. Any time. On your time. On their time. I am hoping you all will stop by. I retired in October of 2020. 41 years in business. There were many times I gave up bucks for brains. Only hurt for a few days. Come look at my/our property up here on the hill. Please. Then we can decide if the Town of Wallingford thinks that dropping the quality of life in this area and downstream of honest hard working residents is in the best interests of our Town. Or in the best interests of those that will drink and breath the failure of this project.

I appreciate you taking the time to read this note. Please forward it along to the other members and the mayor. They are welcome to visit as well.

Sincerely,

William (Bill) Piantek 79 High Hill Road Wallingford, Ct. 06492 <u>billyp7@comcast.net</u>

203-631-7903 anytime (text or call)

Subject Fwd: RE: FW: DOB6 - 5 Research Parkway Site Plans for review

From Alison Kapushinski <a.kapushinski@wallingfordct.gov>

To Kevin Pagini <kevin.pagini@wallingfordct.gov>

Date 2021-06-21 15:50



See below from Chief Wright. Thanks

Alison Kapushinski, P.E. Town Engineer Town of Wallingford 203-294-2035

----- Original Message ------

Subject:RE: FW: DOB6 - 5 Research Parkway Site Plans for review Date:2021-06-21 15:46 From:Chief William Wright <wwright@wallingfordpd.org>

To:Alison Kapushinski <a.kapushinski@wallingfordpd.org> Cc:Deputy Chief Ventura <jventura@wallingfordpd.org> JUN 21 2021

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I believe the emergency entrance is appropriate. Should something happen that blocks the main entrance we would need a properly maintained emergency entrance.

From: Alison Kapushinski <a.kapushinski@wallingfordct.gov> Sent: Monday, June 21, 2021 3:36 PM To: Chief William Wright <wwright@wallingfordpd.org> Cc: Deputy Chief Ventura <jventura@wallingfordpd.org> Subject: Re: FW: DOB6 - 5 Research Parkway Site Plans for review

Chief,

Just spoke to Town Planner, Kevin Pagini. During the last Planning & Zoning meeting, a resident questioned whether a secondary emergency access point is necessary. The main entrance is off Research Parkway, and the resident asked if the emergency access off Carpenter is necessary. The Commission asked Kevin to follow up with Police to get your opinion. I assume the Fire Marshal will also have an opinion.

If you have a chance to respond, I'll gladly pass that along to Kevin.

Thanks,

Alison Kapushinski, P.E. Town Engineer Town of Wallingford 203-294-2035

On 2021-06-21 14:56, Chief William Wright wrote:

These are the plans for the new site at Bristol Myers. P&Z asked BL to send them here for review.

Robinson+Cole



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Via Electronic Mail

June 22, 2021

Mr. James Seichter, Chairman Wallingford Planning & Zoning Commission 45 South Main St. Wallingford, CT 06492

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WALLINGFORD PLANNING & ZONING

Re: Application #401-21 5 Research Parkway, Wallingford Second Consent to Extension of Time for Completion of Public Hearing

Dear Chairman Seichter and Members of the Planning & Zoning Commission:

As stated by the applicant during the continued public hearing on June 14, 2021, this letter is to confirm the applicant's consent to a 65-day extension of time for the completion of the public hearing on this application.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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Thomas P. Cody Robinson & Cole, LLP Attorneys for the Applicant

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Thomas Talbot, Interim Town Planner Byron DeLuke, Montante Construction

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Re:	5 Research Parkway
Date:	June 22, 2021
cc:	N/A
From:	Fire Marshal, Michael Gudelski
То:	Planning and Zoning, Kevin Pagini

Kevin,

The site plan dated May 28th, has been reviewed. FMO is requiring the FDC on SU4 be moved to the island within 10 feet of fire hydrant. The FDC must be a 5 inch 30 degree Storz. Lastly, additional hydrant in the parking lots

V/R

Mike

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PLANNING AND ZONING DEPARTMENT

INTER-OFFICE MEMORANDUM

TO:Janis Small , Corporation CounselFROM:Kevin J. Pagini, Town PlannerRE:Definition of a Warehouse - 5 Research Parkway application #401-21DATE:Wednesday, June 23, 2021

In response to the June 14, 2021 Planning and Zoning Meeting I am requesting a formal definition for a warehouse. It was mentioned by Commissioners Kohan and Matarazzo that the proposed 5 Research Parkway application does not fall under the Town's current definition of a warehouse, but can be defined as a type of delivery station. The Commission would like the Town's legal counsel to define the proposed facility.

It was then stated by the applicant that the 425 and 528 South Cherry Street (application #414-19) proposal was approved as a warehouse in March 2020. Their argument is that this current application is the same use and type of facility as that previously approved project. Therefore, this current application should also be considered a warehouse use.

I am asking that you clarify this matter for the Commission. Thank you in advance.



401-21 CCC Town of Wallingford, Connecticut

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June 29, 2021

Montante Construction LLC C/o Byron Deluke 2760 Kenmore Avenue Buffalo, NY14150

RE: Special Permit Application #401-21 **5** Research Parkway Response to comments dated 6/23/21

Dear Mr. Deluke:

This letter is in response to proposed parking related conditions of approval to be attached to the above referenced application. Specifically, in item # 3 of your letter you propose to limit the number of vans on site to no more than 400. You are also agreeing to twice annual traffic counts and to a "reassessment" of the approval by the Planning and Zoning Commission if traffic counts exceed 120% of the approved 400 vans. This office cannot agree to this set of conditions for the following reasons:

- 1. Attempting to verify the number of vans on site at any given time would be an impractically difficult task. In fact, you appear to acknowledge that very idea by asking the Town to rely on a twice a year traffic count. Van counts on two occasions annually may or may not reflect average daily van traffic.
- 2. The proposed condition that the Planning and Zoning Commission would be entitled to a reassessment only if van counts revealed 120% of the conditioned 400 vans onsite is impossible to seriously consider for two reasons. First of all generally speaking if a condition refers to a specific quantitative standard (i.e., 400 vans maximum on site) anything over 400 would be in violation of the condition. Given your proposed language, in this case you would in fact be allowing for 480 vans, not 400. Secondly the condition allowing "reassessment" by the Commission shows little insight into how zoning administration works. If the Commission were to condition that no more than 400 vans could be located on the site, any occurrence of more than 400 vans would constitute a violation of the conditions of whatever approval it might be part of. It would be incumbent upon the applicant to either comply or ask to revise the approval.

In lieu of your proposed conditions this office will be recommending the following conditions as part of any approval to this application:

- 1. A specific portion of the proposed van parking areas containing, at a minimum, 350 parking spaces to be restricted to use only during the two (not three) month holiday period from November 15th to January 15th annually as well as for a 15 day period during a summer Amazon Prime event (seven days before and seven after the day of the actual event.
- 2. These spaces should all be located in one area, preferably in parking areas closest to existing residences.

3. Plans should indicate not only these restricted parking areas but should include appropriate structural appurtenances (i.e., fencing and gates) to ensure that parking takes place in these areas only during the periods referred to above.

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These conditions, would in the view of this office, do much more to ensure the levels of van traffic that the applicant has indicated this facility will generate. This in turn should help to minimize any impact on the watershed and the Town water supply.

Please note: Any responses/correspondence, additional documents and/or revised plans <u>must</u> be received by the Planning & Zoning Department by the close of business on Wednesday, July 7, 2021 in order to be provided to the Planning & Zoning Commission prior to the Monday, July 12, 2021 meeting.

If you have <u>any</u> questions or need clarification about any of the above comments, or you wish to discuss the comments or your application further, please do not hesitate to contact the Planning Office at 203-294-2090.

Regards,

Kevin J. Pagini Town Planner

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То:	Planning and Zoning, Kevin Pagini	JUN 29 2021
From:	Fire Marshal, Michael Gudelski	WALLINGFORD PLANNING & ZONING
cc:	N/A	
Date:	June 28, 2021	
Re:	5 Research Parkway	

Kevin,

The site plan dated June 18th, has been reviewed. FMO is requiring the FDC on SU4 be moved to the island within 10 feet of fire hydrant. The FDC must be a 5 inch 30 degree Storz. Lastly, additional hydrant in the parking lots

Mike

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To the PZC

WALLINGFORD, CT

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As President of The Wallingford Community Farmers Group.

We are submitting a letter in opposition to the proposed Amazon application to build a facility on the

Former Bristol Meyer Squibb property.

We have concerns regarding, traffic, noise that will impact the adjacent neighborhood next to the property.

Our other concern is environmental impact.

I understand the pressure you will have to approve this because it's Amazon which by the way already has two major facilities one already on Research Parkway and the other on South Cherry St.

We have a better proposal even though Wallingford does not own the property.

Restore the land to its original condition before anything was built on the land.

Our proposal will generate more young families in the long run to live in Wallingford which will generate residential tax revenue for the Town.

Our Proposal is this.

Create a Wallingford Park with walking trails, a kid's activity area and running track and maybe other non-Commercial use.

Again I know the Town see's the Money but sometimes you need to think of the residents.

We live in a great town.

Sometimes we go too far with over development of land.

Now you have a choice.

You are not forced to approve a bad idea but reject it.

Remember you represent the citizens of our great community.

You alone have the power to make the right decision and just say no to this Amazon plan.

We are now organizing on Social Media as we speak against this project.

Thank you for accepting public input on this issue.

Sincerely,

Ken Lloyd 110 Washington street Wallingford, CT

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Town of Wallingford, Connecticut

ASSISTANT TOWN ATTORNEY

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CORPORATION COUNSEL JANIS M. SMALL

DEPARTMENT OF LAW WALLINGFORD TOWN HALL 45 SOUTH MAIN STREET WALLINGFORD, CT 06492 TELEPHONE (203) 294-2140 FAX (203) 294-2112 lawdept@wallingfordct.gov

MEMORANDUM

TO: Kevin J. Pagini, Town Planner

FROM: Janis M. Small, Corporation Counsel

RE: Warehousing

DATE: June 30; 2021

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The Zoning Regulations do not define warehousing. § 4.9.B.5 provides that "storage and warehousing" are permitted uses in the IX Zone. Because it is an undefined term, the

warehousing" are permitted uses in the IX Zone. Because it is an undefined term, the Commission's past practice in applying the regulations is strong evidence of its meaning. *Alvord Investment, LLC v. Zoning Board of Appeals*, 282 Conn. 393, 417-418 (2007).

In 2015, the Commission approved the Amazon facility at 29 Research Parkway in the same zone. It was described as a warehouse/distribution/sorting facility. It is my understanding that large tractor trailers bring merchandise to the facility where it is sorted and then put in smaller delivery trucks. The Commission approved this use within the warehousing category.

The facility at 425 South Cherry Street is in the Industrial Zone, § 4.8. § 4.8.B.1 incorporates uses listed in § 4.6.B which include "storage warehouses" (§ 4.6.B.5). The prior use of the property was a white goods warehouse with the last mile delivery of appliances for Home Depot. The use approved in 2020 is the current Amazon "warehouse/distribution" which also involves the receipt of goods and deliveries by smaller trucks/vans.

The Commission has treated these facilities under the umbrella of "warehousing". Having done so, it would be difficult to defend a new, restrictive definition for one particular project. If the Commission wishes to modify the definition, the proper course of action would be to amend the regulations and define the uses accordingly.

In light of the fact that the Commission has approved these types of uses as part of the category of warehousing, it is not free to simply reverse course and change it as part of the application process. The Commission would need to determine, based upon specific facts, that the proposed use is significantly distinguishable from the other uses approved under the category of "warehousing". I have not been presented any facts which would appear to justify such a determination.

Janis M. Small **Corporation Counsel**

JMS/bjc

Mr. Pagini would you please include this email in in the commissioner's packet for the July 10 2021 meeting.

We are writing to the Planning Commission to strongly urge you to reject the Amazon development at 5 Research Parkway. This area is surrounded on the east and south by large residential areas, which is unique for this proposal. These neighborhoods would be forever adversely impacted by the emissions of noise, smoke, gas odor, truck vibrations and vehicle warning horns. A computer inquiry shows residents of Edison New Jersey complaining about the negative impact of their quality of life, caused by the vehicle vibration and noise coming from the Amazon fulfillment center. Please strongly consider the rejection of this proposal based on the negative impact of this 24/7 operation on the neighbors quality of life.

James and Carol Mikulski 170 High Hill Wallingford

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- TO: MEMBERS OF WALLNGFORD PZC
- Amy Torres
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- Rocco Matarazzo, Secretary
- James Fitzsimmons
- Jeffrey Kohan

PUBLIC HEARING IN-PERSON on JULY 12th

I strongly urge that the July 12th public hearing with respect to the application #401-21 addressed to the PZC regarding the AMAZON warehouse (or delivery station) be an in-person hearing rather than a remote on-line hearing. The issue is of such significant concern to residents of Wallingford and, as to deserve a proper airing afforded by in-person attendance. I can see no reason why this format cannot be realized especially considering the governor's lifting of practically all COVID restrictions with respect to public assemblies. In any case, I ask that the PZC give due consideration to the concerns and questions stated below.

The most significant public concerns seem to focus on traffic and environmental issues which I would hope the PZC would deal with further in depth.

1. With respect to the warehouse impact on TRAFFIC, answers to very serious concerns are still outstanding:

Comment #13 of the Traffic Peer Review Comments states that: "It was confirmed with the town there were no other new developments approved or pending contributing additional traffic within the study area." How is it not less than honest when the Town Council approved sites for constructions of so-called Data Centers on June 21st public meeting as reported in the July 4th Meriden Record Journal edition. Surely, deliberation for that decision was not made just then. In any case, such a project development would certainly have a significant adverse impact on traffic volume in the study area. For example, why is the impact on traffic flow from the other 2 warehouses proposed on Northrup Rd. not considered in the Traffic study to be problematic. Northrup Rd is a narrow roadway whose signage is "NO THRU TRUCKS" (it is common that trucks of all size traverse Northrup regularly). The "NO THRU TRUCK prohibition is a joke because it is not enforced. The town cannot afford the necessary resources to do so. It really is laughable, in defiance of common sense, for the traffic study to foresee no problems considering that traffic will be increased by: 1. Well over 1000 Amazon delivery vans with both exit from and entry into the AMAZON site, 2. Nearly 500 exiting and entry employees (many who will be part time employees which translates into

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23 Hemingway Drive Wallingford, CT 0649 June 30, 2021

WALLINGFORD PLANNING & ZONING Mr. Jim Seichter Chairman – Wallingford Planning & Zoning 45 South Main St. Wallingford, CT 06492

Dear Chairman:

In reference to the application for Amazon's Plans for the former Bristol Myers property we offer only a few of our concerns about the project with the following comments and questions:

- 1. Research Parkway is already congested (mornings and late afternoons weekdays). We can only imagine what a mess will be with this much added vehicle traffic. Research Parkway is only a two lane roadway and cannot accommodate this much volume of commercial traffic.
- 2. Noise There will be constant noise of moving vehicles all day and night with annoying back-up alarms in close proximity to residential areas. This will destroy peaceful solitude of our neighborhoods.
- 3. Have your plans considered the effect on the wildlife in this area? We have many deer wandering through the area, and bobcats, coyotes, and fox also.
- 4. This project will definitely increase the cost to Wallingford in road maintenance and raise our taxes.
- 5. Highway safety _ Did the project traffic survey consider the narrow two lane roads (Northrup, Carpenter Avenue, and Route 68 East toward Durham? Did you account for the lack of shoulders on these roads? It is already dangerous to navigate these roads with oncoming 18 wheel tractor trailers, flat bed (wide load) trailers, tanker trucks, and large dump trucks exiting and entering the Tilcon property on Route 68. Often we encounter bicyclists on these narrow roads and this allows less room to maneuver presenting a big safety problem.
- 6. What revenue benefit will this project have for Wallingford?
- 7. Did the project consider the traffic congestion in September for the Durham Fair?
- 8. Will our water quality be adversely affected? We have a well and a septic system.
- 9. Will our air quality be compromised by all this vehicle traffic?

We respectfully request the Planning and Zoning Commission to deny this Amazon application.

Sincerely, Joan R. Marshall

Thomas H. & Joan R. Marshall

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Kevin J. Pagini Town Planner Planning & Zoning Department Town of Wallingford 45 South Main Street Wallingford, CT 06492

Re: Special Permit Application #401-21 **5** Research Parkway

Dear Mr. Pagini:

We are in receipt of your comments dated June 29, 2021, regarding potential conditions of approval that would be agreeable to the Applicant for the project noted above. Our responses are indicated below in *bold italic* text and are as follows:

A specific portion of the proposed van parking areas containing, at a minimum, 350 1. parking spaces to be restricted to use only during the two (not three) month holiday period from November 15th to January 15th annually as well as for a 15 day period during a summer Amazon Prime event (seven days before and seven after the day of the actual event).

Response: The applicant agrees to restrict the portion of the parking lot containing 350 van spaces as shown on the attached Exhibit 30, revised to July 7, 2021, for use during certain peak periods only ("Seasonally Permitted Parking"). The peak periods will be the three (3) months from November 1 to February 1 of each year, as well as 35 additional days during the year as selected by Amazon.

The November 1 to February 1 timeframe enables Amazon to ramp up operations and serve its customers during the holiday period, while also providing a reasonable amount of time after the holiday peak period to complete deliveries and wind down holiday operations. The 35 additional days are associated with Amazon Prime Day(s) and enable Amazon to ramp up and serve its customers during these important times of the year.

In summary, the Applicant would agree to the following condition of approval: 350 van parking spaces, located in the southern part of the site as shown on the Applicant's Exhibit 30, revised to July 7, 2021, will be gated and unavailable

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for use at all times other than from 1) November 1 to February 1 of each year, and 2) for 35 additional days during each year to be selected by the Permittee.

2. These spaces should all be located in one area, preferably in parking areas closest to existing residences.

Response: The Seasonally Permitted Parking spaces are all located in the southern most portion of the property which is closest to the existing residences. While the Seasonally Permitted Parking is in use, the distance setback to the closest residential properties is approximately 136 feet. When the Seasonally Permitted Parking is not in use, the distance setback to the closest residential properties increases to approximately 511 feet. See attached Exhibit 30 revised to July 7, 2021.

3. Plans should indicate not only these restricted parking areas but should include appropriate structural appurtenances (i.e., fencing and gates) to ensure that parking takes place in these areas only during the periods referred to above.

Response: The revised plans propose to install permanent 4' high arm gates at the drive isles. The gates will be closed and locked during the restricted dates prohibiting access to the van parking stalls.

Thank you for your input during this engineering review. We trust this answers your questions and addresses your concerns. Please feel free to contact me for additional information.

Sincerely.

Jeffrey P. Dewey, P.E.

Town of Wallingford Department of Public Utilities Water And Sewer Divisions



INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM

TO: KEVIN PAGINI, TOWN PLANNER

FROM: SCOTT SHIPMAN, P.E., JUNIOR ENGINEER, WATER AND SEWER DIVISIONS

SUBJECT: 5 RESEARCH PARKWAY - SPECIAL PERMIT APPLICATION NO. 401-21

DATE: JULY 8, 2021

CC: N. AMWAKE, P.E.; E KRUEGER; D. SULLIVAN; J. PAWLOWSKI; A. KAPUSHINSKI, P.E., TOWN ENGINEER; B. DELUKE, MONTANTE CONSTRUCTION, LLC; J. DEWEY, BL COMPANIES

The staff of the Water and Sewer Divisions has reviewed the revised documents and drawings received by the Town on June 24, 2021 for the subject application and this memo consolidates our comments and requirements.

The Water and Sewer Divisions have previously provided numerous review comments relative to the application. It is requested that all of the previous comments in the following correspondences be included herein by reference as follows:

- 1. Memo to Erin O'Hare dated November 6, 2020
- 2. Memo to Erin O'Hare dated February 19, 2021
- 3. Memo to Erin O'Hare dated March 29, 2021
- 4. Memo to Erin O'Hare dated April 7, 2021
- 5. Memo to Thomas Talbot dated April 8, 2021
- 6. Letter to Jeffrey Dewey dated June 4, 2021
- 7. Memo to Kevin Pagini dated June 11, 2021

General Discussion - Project Understanding:

Although the revised plan contains less parking than the plan that was first submitted; the total amount of vehicle parking still seems large for the proposed use. The table on Sheet SP-0 indicates that 189.33 parking spaces are required; however 1,264 spaces are being provided.

The Applicant should explain why so many parking spaces are required for the operations at this location. The reason for the Water Division's concern of the large paved area is that even with storm water treatment systems in place the run-off from parking lots will have a negative effect on water quality downstream of the site.

Requested Conditions of Approval:

The new building will be serviced by municipal water and sanitary sewer as indicated. There are multiple water and sewer utility details and storm water management system items that remain to be resolved and therefore we request that the following items be made conditions of approval to be met by the Applicant prior to the issuance of a building permit:

1. Any of the conditions already requested in the previous correspondences listed above that are relevant to the revised layout and have not yet been satisfactorily addressed.

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2. The plan currently indicates that the existing guardhouse will be removed and there is no proposed structure to replace it. In addition the "chemical building" is shown to remain. Please note that water service to the chemical building is fed through the water service that enters the existing guardhouse. In order to demolish the guardhouse the water service would need to be disconnected and there would be no water service to the chemical building until a new connection is made.

Also, the demolition plan calls for the sanitary sewer line downstream of the chemical building is to be removed.

The demolition and utility plans for the guardhouse and chemical building need to be reviewed with the Wallingford Water and Sewer Divisions and revised to show the appropriate location and method of disconnecting and reconnecting the water and sanitary sewer lines to meet the Applicant's desires and Town's requirements.

- 3. Please note the Water Division has not had adequate time to complete an exhaustive review of all the Information related to the stormwater management systems submitted with the revised plans. The stormwater treatment systems shown shall be reviewed by the Water Division and all required revisions shall be made a part of the final plans prior to the start of construction activity at the site.
 - 4. The site utility plan sheet SU-12 shows a 10-inch water line for fire service and a 4-inch water line for domestic service. The applicant shall submit final water use estimates for the domestic service and estimated needed fire flow for the fire line so that the Water Division can review and approve the size of the required water lines and all details of the required pump systems necessary to adequately service the building.

The water lines are currently shown on the drawings with less than 5 feet of separation. The water lines shall be located no less than 5-feet horizontally. measured edge to edge from all other pipes or conduits including electrical and communication conduits.

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Please read this article before making your final decision.

Thank you! Don Brennan <u>dbrennan1924@gmail.com</u> (203) 623-3648



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From: Don Brennan < dbrennan1927@gmbil.com >

Date: Fri, Jul 9, 2021 at 8:37 AM

Subject: A town let Amazon open what it thought would be a small delivery station, but now it's reportedly dealing with trucks that ignore road signs and damage to its historic cemetery To: Don Brennan <<u>dbrennan1924@gmail.com</u>>

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https://www.businessinsider.com/amazon-delivery-warehouse-hub-town-sees-truck-traffic-headaches-report-2021-7

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Truck and trailer traffic at an Amazon delivery station near Boston is causing headaches for locals. The Information reports.

One truck reportedly knocked over a fence and a tree at a cemetery, and another damaged a monument.

Amazon paid for repairs, and is working with community leaders to address local concerns.

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Amazon's quest to offer one-hour delivery to nearly all households in the US is causing major headaches for a town near Boston, <u>The Information's Paris Martineau reported on</u> <u>Thursday</u>.

Normally, the arrival of Amazon leads to <u>local perks</u> like new jobs in delivery and logistics, as well as <u>better wages for workers</u> at other companies nearby. But The Information's

report highlights how the surge of demand in recent years is straining or outweighing some of those benefits for locals in Milford, Massachusetts.

Back in 2016, the company converted an old humidifier factory in Milford into a "delivery station" to sort and dispatch packages for the Boston metro area, and expanded its operations to a second facility last year, according to the report.

But in March, one of the hundreds of trucks that serve the station knocked over a fence and a large tree at the town cemetery, and weeks later another Amazon truck damaged a grave monument, according to records and meetings viewed by The Information.

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claimed it was not at fault for the cemetery damage, but hired contractors to repair the

monument and fence and replace the tree, a town official told the publication.

The company previously said that because trucks and drivers are managed by independent contractors, it is not generally responsible for the damage or disturbances they cause. Even so, Amazon designed and paid for road signs instructing semi-trailers against driving down certain roads.

According to the town official, drivers have said that Amazon's navigation app occasionally directs them to break traffic rules, including routing the semi-trailer through the cemetery.

Even when they are following laws, The Information's report highlights that the trucks cause a significant disturbance in the previously quiet New England town. The publication observed 52 tractor-trailers at the Amazon facility between 10 p.m. and 11 p.m., and measured sounds from the trucks above 85 decibels — similar to a lawn mower.

The Information also observed a holding area for hundreds of empty Amazon-branded delivery vans that also had a bank of portable toilets for drivers. Each morning, convoys of 50 to 100 vans depart the delivery center every half hour, jamming up traffic at

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"The safety of employees, drivers and communities we serve is our top priority," an

Amazon spokesperson told The Information. "When we enter a new community we work closely with local community leaders, business owners, and policymakers to address any concerns regarding the impact of our operations. We worked with the City of Milford throughout our expanded growth and look forward to the continued community partnership."

An Amazon spokesperson was not immediately available to comment when contacted by Insider.

In its initial proposal to the town, Amazon said the delivery station would provide more than 300 well-paying jobs to the area, but one member of the town's planning board told The Information the deal has been a "net negative" for the community.

For its part, Amazon is increasing its engagement with community leaders, organizing trash cleanups, and implementing new policies about traffic flow and noise. In April last year, the company organized a task force to address communities' concerns as delivery operations expand across the US.

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July 9, 2021

Mr. Kevin Pagini **Town Planner** Room #G-40 45 South Main Street Wallingford, CT 06492

Re: Traffic Peer Review- Response to Comments **Proposed Delivery Station Building 5 Research Parkway** Wallingford, Connecticut

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Dear Mr. Pagini,

WALLINGFORD **PLANNING & ZONING**

VN Engineers, Inc. (VNE) is pleased to provide this peer review of the revised traffic analysis, site plan, and response to comments for the proposed Delivery Station Building at 5 Research Parkway in Wallingford, Connecticut. Revisions to the traffic analysis and design were provided in response to the comments provided from our previous peer review letter dated June 11, 2021.

The following information was provided to VNE for review:

- Traffic Analysis Addendum #1 - Full Closure of Carpenter Lane Entrance, prepared by BL Companies, revised June 2021.
- Response to Comments letter, prepared by BL Companies, dated June 22, 2021.
- Permit Documents for Proposed Development, 5 Research Parkway, Wallingford, Connecticut prepared by BL Companies, revised June 18, 2021.
- Eastern Sign Line Exhibit, prepared by BL Companies, dated June 18, 2021.

The comments from the previous peer review have largely been addressed. The revised study provides a representative analysis of the traffic conditions anticipated with the proposed Delivery Station Building. Based on our review of the new information and responses provided, we offer the following comments and clarifications:

Average Weekday Introduction

1. The number of parking spaces has been decreased from 1,269 spaces in the previous design to 1,264 spaces in the revised site plan. This is a reduction of five 9'X20' associate parking spaces. According to the Estimation of Net Vehicles on Site: Holiday Season graph presented in Traffic Analysis Addendum #1, the peak number of vehicles on site will be approximately 1,400 vehicles during the holiday season. On an average weekday, the peak number of vehicles on site will be approximately 700 vehicles. According to the site plan, there are approximately 17 truck loading dock spaces, 13 trailer spaces, and 240 designated van loading/queuing spaces that are located on the north and south sides of the delivery station building that are not accounted for in the above parking totals. The combination of the 1,264
3. Weekday PM Peak- 2021 Build Improved (Queue: #495)

At this location, the No-Build queues already exceed the available storage. The Build queues will exceed the No-Build queues by less than one car length and the Build Improved queues will exceed the No-Build queues by less than two car lengths.

b. Route 68 (Barnes Road) at I-91 NB Exit 15 On/Off-Ramps

- i. Exit 15 Off-Ramp NB Left (Available Storage: 180')
 - 1. Weekday AM Peak- 2021 No-Build (Queue: 155')
 - 2. Weekday AM Peak- 2021 Build Improved (Queue: 190')
 - 3. Weekday PM Peak- 2021 No-Build (Queue: 140')
 - 4. Weekday PM Peak- 2021 Build Improved (Queue: 210')

At this location, the Build Improved queues will exceed the available storage by approximately one car length.

The applicant has indicated that since the queues only increase by a maximum of two car lengths, it can be concluded that the site generated traffic does not have a significant impact on the traffic operations. These additional queues are expected to be accommodated within the tapers for the turn lanes.

The remaining locations were all noted to have sufficient lane storage for the calculated 95th percentile queues.

- 9. The 2021 Build Improved PM Peak Hour of Generator Synchro models previously used incorrect volumes. The Synchro model has been corrected to reflect the volumes presented in Figure A4.2 (Build 2021 Traffic Volumes). Since no improvements are proposed at the intersections where the volumes were corrected, there was no significant impact to the results.
- 10. The Peak Hour Levels of Service table for AM/PM Peak Hour Generator (Table A3.2) previously showed the EB left/right-turn movement at the intersection of Research Parkway at Marlin Software Driveway operating at LOS B during the AM Peak Hour of Generator for the Build scenario. According to the Build AM Peak Hour Generator Synchro report, this movement operates at LOS A. The table has been updated to accurate reflect this.
- 11. The phase splits in the Midday Synchro models for the intersection of Route 68 (Banes Road) with Research Parkway/Hotel Drive have been corrected to correspond with the phase splits from the time-space diagrams. These revisions did not have a significant impact to the analysis results.
- 12. The intersection of Research Parkway at Site Drive #1/Food Bank Drive currently operates in "Flash" mode for existing conditions. This signal was modeled in Synchro for all the build scenarios with the timing information from the existing signal plan. The Synchro models for all the average weekday Build scenarios have the default vehicle extension value of 3 seconds entered for all phases; however, the existing signal plan shows lower vehicle extension values of 1 or 2 seconds. The vehicle extension values should reflect the values from the existing signal plan. These changes are not expected to have a significant impact on the results reported.
- 13. The calculated clearance intervals for the intersection of Research Parkway at Site Drive #1/Food Bank Drive have been input to all the Synchro models. The AM Peak Generator Build

Average Weekday Conclusion

- 18. The clearing of the vegetation at the intersection of Research Parkway at Carpenter Lane has been recommended to improve sightlines due to the crash patterns at this intersection and field visits that observed overgrown vegetation. A plan (Sheet EXH-34: Eastern Sight Line Exhibit) has been provided in conjunction with this recommendation that displays the proposed limits of clearing to achieve adequate sight lines.
 - a. The title block of this exhibit specifies a 40 scale. However, the graphic scale and the measurements shown measure to 60 scale. The title block should be revised for clarification.
 - b. Additional coordination with the Town of Wallingford Inland Wetlands Commission may be needed with the proposed clearing/trimming due to the location of the existing wetlands.
 - c. Additional information should be provided regarding the use of a 45 mile-per-hour speed on Research Parkway within the study area. Is this based on speed counts? The limit of clearing along Research Parkway may be able to be reduced with a lower speed.
 - d. The sightlines indicated on the Exhibit exceed the minimum intersection sight distance requirements outlined in the CTDOT Highway Design Manual and are appropriate for the travel speeds on Research Parkway and Carpenter Lane.
- 19. The stop bar at the northbound approach at the intersection of Research Parkway at Site Drive #1/Food Bank Drive is proposed to be relocated further south to accommodate left-turning trucks out of the site driveway. With the stop bar located further back from its current location, the clearance intervals for this intersection have been recalculated. The variables input for yellow and all-red clearance calculations should be reevaluated. Per the CTDOT Traffic Signal Manual, the yellow time is based on the 85th percentile speed and the grade values. The movement for each phase resulting in the greatest yellow time should be utilized. The all-red time is based on a singular critical conflict point between a clearing and entering vehicle that results in the greatest all-red time per the equation for each phase. The conflict diagrams show multiple movements and the clearing and entering distances used do not always conflict. The diagrams should be reassessed to determine the critical conflict point for each phase. It should also be noted that the clearance interval calculations use a 45-mph speed limit for the Research Parkway approaches. While there is not a posted speed limit for the segment of Research Parkway between Carpenter Lane and Route 68, an assumed 45-mph speed limit seems too high considering the roadway conditions. The revised clearance intervals should be implemented for this intersection in all the build and build improved Synchro analyses. Updating the clearance times should not cause a significant impact to the results of the analysis but are necessary for safety considerations.
- 20. Sheet No. TT-3 shows the proposed modifications at the intersection of Route 68 (Barnes Road) at I-91 NB Exit 15 On/Off-Ramps along with the truck turning maneuver for a WB-67 semi-trailer. The proposed modifications eliminate the channelization for the left-turn lane at the intersection of Route 68 (Barnes Road) at Research Parkway/Hotel Drive. Cat tracks are proposed directing the center lane right-turning vehicles to the far-left exclusive left-turn lane for the intersection to the east with Research Parkway. The applicant has indicated that they will coordinate with OSTA to determine an improvement plan for this intersection that is satisfactory to the State of Connecticut. The following points of concern are still applicable to the proposed pavement marking improvements at this intersection.

holiday Synchro models for all scenarios now show a speed limit of 45 mph along Research Parkway from the previously modeled 30 mph. It should be noted that Research Parkway from Carpenter Lane to the Meriden Town Line, north of the study area, has a posted speed limit of 45 mph, however, there is not currently a posted speed limit listed on the OSTA website for Research Parkway between Carpenter Lane and Route 68.

- a. The change to a 45 mile-per-hour speed limit seems high for the segment of Research Parkway between Carpenter Lane and Barnes Road considering the roadway geometry along this segment. Based on a review of the Synchro analysis, this speed limit increase does not provide a noticeable improvement to the operations along Research Parkway. Can additional information be provided to justify the speed limit increase?
- b. Has the existing horizontal and vertical curvature along Research Parkway been assessed for the higher speed limit?
- c. Has the intersection sight distance for the existing intersecting driveways and roads along this segment been assessed to ensure it is adequate for a higher speed limit and the increased travel speeds?

Holiday Trip Distribution and Site Traffic Volumes

23. The Holiday Peak Site Generated Traffic Volume Diagram (Figure 5.3) does not have the midday volumes balanced between the intersections of Route 68 at I-91 NB Exit 15 On/Off-Ramps and I-91 SB Exit 15 On/Off-Ramps. The WB left should be 84 vehicles according to the trip distribution percentages. This will not have an impact on the analysis results.

Holiday Build Volumes

- 24. The Midday and PM traffic volumes presented in the Holiday Build 2021 Traffic Volume Diagram (Figure 6.3) were revised to properly represent the summation of the 2021 background volumes with the holiday peak site generated volumes except for the following movements:
 - a. Route 68 (Barnes Road) at I-91 SB Exit 15 On/Off-Ramps
 - i. Route 68 WB Left Turn should be 215 vph for Midday Peak.
 - b. Route 68 (Barnes Road) at I-91 NB Exit 15 On/Off-Ramps
 - i. WB Thru should be 638 vph for Midday Peak.
 - ii. WB Right should be 199 vph for Midday Peak.

These volumes should also be updated for the Holiday Midday Build and Holiday Midday Build Improved Synchro models. Since these volume differences are minor, they will not have a significant impact on the results reported.

Holiday Intersection Analysis

- 25. The storage lengths provided in the Table A5.3 Peak Hour Levels of Service (AM, Mid-Day, and PM) have been revised to accurately reflect the actual storage lengths provided in the field. These corrected storage lengths have also been applied to the Synchro models.
- 26. The 95th percentile queues exceed the available storage at the following locations/time periods:
 - a. Route 68 (Barnes Road) at I-91 SB Exit 15 On/Off-Ramps
 - iii. Route 68 EB Thru (Available Storage: 345'):
 - 1. Weekday PM Peak- 2021 No-Build (Queue: 455')

- 29. The intersection of Research Parkway at Site Drive #1/Food Bank Drive currently operates in "Flash" mode for existing conditions. This signal was modeled in Synchro for all the build scenarios with the timing information from the existing signal plan. The Synchro models for all Holiday Build and Build Improved scenarios have the default vehicle extension value of 3 seconds entered for all phases; however, the existing signal plan shows lower vehicle extension values of 1 or 2 seconds. The vehicle extension values should reflect the values from the existing signal plan. These changes are not expected to have an impact on the results reported.
- 30. The calculated clearance interval timing for the intersection of Research Parkway at Site Drive #1/Food Bank Drive have been input to all the Synchro models. The Holiday Build AM Peak Generator Synchro model has a 2 second all-red time input for phase 4. Phase 4 has a calculated all-red time of 1 second. This input should be revised in the Holiday Build AM Peak Generator Build Synchro model, but it is not expected to have a significant impact on the results reported.
- 31. Per the Office of the State Traffic Administration (OSTA) Step 2- Major Traffic Generator Pre-Certificate Application, off-site mitigation is typically required when there is a substantial reduction in LOS or when specific intersection movements that have a LOS D or less in the background condition and the control delay for that movement is increased by 15 seconds, as a result of a development's added traffic at a signalized intersection. The following movements were identified that have a LOS D in the No-Build condition with an increase in control delay by more than 15 seconds in the Build Improved scenario:
 - a. Route 68 (Barnes Road) at I-91 SB Exit 15 On/Off-Ramps
 - i. Route 68 EB Thru 41.7s delay increase during AM Peak.
 - 1. Weekday AM Peak- 2021 No-Build: LOS D / 37.0s
 - 2. Holiday AM Peak- 2021 Build Improved: LOS E / 78.7s
 - ii. Route 68 WB Left 34.9s delay increase during PM Peak.
 - 1. Weekday PM Peak- 2021 No-Build: LOS D / 49.1 s
 - 2. Holiday PM Peak- 2021 Build Improved: LOS E / 74.0s
 - b. Route 68 (Barnes Road) at I-91 NB Exit 15 On/Off-Ramps
 - i. Exit 15 Off-Ramp NB Thru 35.2s delay increase during the PM Peak.
 - 1. Weekday PM Peak- 2021 No-Build: LOS C / 34.6s
 - 2. Holiday PM Peak- 2021 Build Improved: LOS E / 69.8s
 - c. Route 68 (Barnes Road) at Research Parkway/Hotel Drive
 - i. Route 68 EB Left 24.6s delay increase during PM Peak.
 - 1. Weekday PM Peak- 2021 No-Build: LOS C / 33.1s
 - 2. Holiday PM Peak- 2021 Build Improved: LOS E / 57.7s
 - ii. Research Parkway SB Thru/Left 25.7s delay increase during PM Peak.
 - 1. Weekday PM Peak- 2021 No-Build: LOS D / 54.3s
 - 2. Holiday PM Peak- 2021 Build Improved: LOS E / 80.0s

The OSTA Step 2 requirements identify that for any movements where mitigation is triggered, but none is proposed, a detailed explanation should be provided as to why no mitigation is proposed. While OSTA does not typically require Holiday peak season analyses for developments, additional discussion should be provided regarding the improvements investigated and why no additional mitigation measures are being considered.

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PLANNING & ZONING INTER-DEPARTMENTAL REFERRAL NOTICE OF PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT

APPLICATION: #402-21

DATE OF SUBMISSION: March 4, 2021

DATE OF RECEIPT: March 8, 2021

SCHEDULED MEETING: April 12, 2021 MAR 15 2021

WALLINGFORD PLANNING & ZONING

NAME & APPLICATION OF PROPOSED DEVELOPMENTS: Special Permit /Storage Warehouse/1070 North Farms Rd LLC

LOCATION: 1117 Northrop Rd. and 2 Northrop Industrial Park Road East

REFERRED TO:

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 Cc Jim Cassidy <jcassidy@hpcengr.com>, John Orsini
 <jorsini@executiveag.com>, Kevin Solli <Kevin@sollillc.com>
- Date 2021-03-31 10:37 am

Good morning,

Yes. Please allow this email to serve as a request to postpone the public hearing until the May, 2021 P & Z meeting. This request is made based on my understanding that the Commission prefers that the public hearing not be opened until the Traffic peer Review is complete. Thank you for your consideration.

Dennis Dennis A. Ceneviva, Esq. Ceneviva Law Firm, LLC 721 Broad Street Meriden, CT 06450 203-237-8808 FAX 203-237-4240

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On Mar 31, 2021, at 9:56 AM, Kacie Hand <<u>kacie.costello@wallingfordct.gov</u>> wrote:

Thanks

Is there a request to postpone the beginning of the public hearing to May?

Kacie A. Hand, AICP Town Planner Town of Wallingford 203-294-2090 Fax: 203-294-2095 kacie.costello@wallingfordct.gov

On 2021-03-30 1:18 pm, Dennis Ceneviva wrote:

Good afternoon Tom,

It has come to my attention that the Wallingford P & Z Commission might be interested in having the Town engage a Traffic Peer Reviewer for the Special Permit application filed my client and identified as SP #402-21. Please allow this email to serve as confirmation that my client consents and/or requests that a traffic peer reviewer be engaged by the Town at Applicant's reasonable expense to complete any such peer review as it relates to my client's application. Thank you. Dennis

Dennis A. Ceneviva, Esq.

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TOWN OF WALLINGFORD DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES WATER AND SEWER DIVISIONS



ENGINEERING SECTION PHONE: 203-949-2672 FAX: 203-949-2678

INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM

- TO: THOMAS TALBOT, ACTING TOWN PLANNER - VIA FAX - 2095
- FROM: ERIK KRUEGER, SENIOR ENGINEER (AL

APPLICATION #402-21 / 1070 NORTH FARMS RD L SUBJECT: SPECIAL PERMIT FOR STORAGE WAREHOUSE APR 09 2021 #1117 NORTHROP ROAD

DATE: APRIL 8, 2021

DATE: APRIL 8, 2021 CC: N. AMWAKE, P.E.; D. SULLIVAN; J. PAWLOWSKI; R. MESKILL, MERIDEN PUBLIC UTILITIES: HOWEISSBERG, MERIDEN ENGINEERING; J. ORSINI, 1070 NORTH FARMS RD LLG; J. CASSING, MERIDEN ENGINEERING; J. ORSINI, 1070 NORTH FARMS RD LLC; J. CASSIDY, HALLISEY, PEARSON & CASSIDY

The staff of the Water and Sewer Divisions has reviewed the drawings as submitted for the subject application and this memo consolidates their comments and requirements.

This site is currently proposed to be serviced by municipal water from the City of Meriden and on-site sewage disposal systems. Please note that municipal water and sanitary sewer service from Wallingford's municipal systems are not available to service this project. The Owner shall contact the Wallingford Health Department regarding their requirements for the

The parcels of land covered under this application were once known as lots 2A, 2B, 2C and 2D of the Northrop Industrial Park subdivision. Earlier in 2020 several of the lots in the original subdivision were merged and the proposed street right of way for Northrop Industrial Road East was removed.

An existing Inter-Municipal Agreement between the City of Meriden, Town of Wallingford and 1070 North Farms Road, LLC that is recorded on land record, provides for serving the subject site with municipal water service from the City of Meriden. This agreement was previously amended three times and would once again need to be amended in order to serve the subject location to clarify the merging of the lots and the removal of Northrop Industrial

There are some water utility details that remain to be resolved and therefore we request that they be made conditions of approval to be met by the applicant prior to the issuance of a building permit:

- 1. The applicant shall meet with this office and with the City of Meriden, Engineering Bureau to review and resolve the layout and details required for the water services to the building to comply with Wallingford's and Meriden's Technical Standards.
- 2. Submission of water use and needed fire flow estimates and interior plumbing plans for the building as proposed.
- 3. The size of the domestic water service and meter will be determined by the Wallingford Water Division and the City of Meriden. The size of the required fire service line will be based on hydraulic calculations to be submitted for review and approval by the Wallingford Water Division and the City of Meriden.
- 4. Also please note, depending on the required fire sprinkler system demand and required residual pressure for the proposed warehouse, a fire pump may be necessary to provide the needed fire flow.

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- 5. Make provisions for a utility room, utility closet or dedicated utility area, conforming to Wallingford Water Division requirements and the City of Meriden requirements to house the domestic water meter. The proposed domestic water service must enter the structure directly into the utility/meter area with the details of the plumbing settings for the meter in conformance with the Standard Details of the Wallingford Water Division and the City of Meriden.
- 6. All details and appurtenances of the water utility installations shall conform to the Technical Standards and Detail Sheets of the Town of Wallingford, Water Division and with those of the City of Meriden.
- 7. Posting of Water Utility Performance and Maintenance Bonds to cover the required public water main extension and utility service installations in an amount to be determined based on the utility installation costs in accordance with the requirements of the Wallingford Water and Sewer Divisions.

Note: The applicant should be advised that wastewater discharges to the subsurface sewage disposal systems shall be limited to domestic sewage only and that discharges of any industrial process or "non-domestic" wastewaters are prohibited under the Connecticut Public Health Code.



Town of Wallingford Department of Engineering 45 South Main Street Wallingford, Connecticut 06492 Tel: (203) 294-2035; Fax: (203) 284-4012

Alison Kapushinski, P.E. Town Engineer

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MEMO

TO: Planning & Zoning Commission

FROM: Department of Engineering Arryk

RE: PZC Application #402-21 1117 Northrop Road/ Special Permit Application

DATE: April 28, 2021

Dear Commissioners:

We are in receipt of the following materials for the referenced application:

- Site Plan & Wetlands Application, Hallisey, Pearson & Cassidy, dated September 29, 2020 and last revised February 17, 2021
- Traffic Impact Assessment, Solli Engineering, dated March 3, 2021.
- Drainage Calculations & Stormwater Management Report by Hallisey, Pearson & Cassidy, dated October 2, 2020 and revised October 30, 2020.

We offer the following comments based on the submitted materials:

- 1) Site Distance lines to be added to the Site Layout Plan. Limits of tree clearing to be noted.
- 2) Applicant to provide truck turning movement for the trucks parking in the loading area west of the proposed building.
- 3) A pole replacement project by Eversource in the vicinity of the proposed project is on-going. I don't recall if Poles #1588 and #3627 (immediately south of the proposed building) are being replaced. Applicant to coordinate access with Eversource throughout construction.
- 4) The stormwater runoff for a portion of the western loading area bypasses water quality measures prior to entering the underground detention system and discharging to the adjacent wetlands. Pretreatment of stormwater runoff is strongly recommended in areas associated with truck loading and machinery such as the compacter.

- 5) Proposed Stormwater Quality Basin #1: It appears the top of grate elevation, 357.67, is above the emergency spillway elevation, 357.0. The basin design should be adjusted so stormwater is discharged through the outlet control structure prior to discharging at the emergency spillway to adjacent property.
- 6) Proposed Stormwater Quality Basin #2: The maximum elevation within the basin is 354.08 for a 50-year storm and 354.32 for a 100-year storm. With an emergency spillway elevation at 354.0, it appears stormwater will be discharging during the 50-and 100-year storms. It's recommended the basins are designed to contain up to and including the 100-year storm. The emergency spillway should only be used during storms exceeding the 100-year frequency.
- 7) The 1-yr post-development peak discharge at Design Point 1 (SA-A), which discharges to wetlands west of the proposed site, exceeds the pre-development by 2.15 cfs (32.49 cfs existing, 30.34 cfs proposed). The report (page 7) appears to be contradictory, stating at first there is a 0.35 cfs decrease in peak flow rate, and then addressing the increase of 2.15 cfs. It's always recommended to attenuate peak flow for all storms. Applicant to clarify the intentions, and what strategies were investigated to reduce peak flow for all storms, including the 1-year storm.
- 8) The plans label the subsurface water management systems east and west of the proposed buildings as detention basins. The report refers to them as underground infiltration systems. If they are infiltrating stormwater, was a percolation test conducted? If the systems were modeled with an infiltration rate, what rate was used?

If you have any questions or require any additional information, please let me know.



Town of Wallingford, Connecticut

JAMES SEICHTER CHARMAN PLANKING & ZOKING COMMUSSION

KEVIN J. PAGINI TOWN PLANNER

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WALLINGFORD TOWN HALL 45 SOUTH MAIN STREET WALLINGFORD, CT 06492 TELEPHONE (203) 294-2090 FAX (203) 294-2095

April 29, 2021

1070 North Farms Rd. LLC 1180 North Colony Road Wallingford, CT 06492

RE: Special Permit Application #402-21 1117 Northrop Rd and 2 Northrop Industrial Park Road East

Dear Sirs:

This office has the following preliminary comments/questions regarding the submitted application and associated plans:

- 1. The map sections should have some sort of key map on each page.
- 2. Staff is having difficulty establishing the legality of the proposed property and its existence as a lot of record.
- 3. There should be a singular deed description for the property as well as one street address.
- 4. There should be at least one sheet showing the overall plan of development on the site.
- 5. There are no loading space calculations.
- 6. Sheet A-10 shows more parking than other sheets and should be revised.
- 7. Parking requirement of 1 parking space per 1000sf gfa is based on the standard for Distribution Warehouses and Truck Terminals found in the Wallingford Zoning Regulations. This use is described in other parts of the application as a Storage and Warehousing facility which has a minimum parking requirement of 1 parking space per 1500sf gfa. Using that standard (which you must) it is possible, along with an allowed request for a 25% reduction, to show no more than 125 constructed employee parking spaces on this plan.
- 8. A more substantial narrative is required.
- 9. How much area is under easement, wetlands, or both?
- 10. What is the purpose of the truncated section of driveway adjacent to the southeast corner of the proposed building. Can it be removed?
- 11. Can tractor trailers maneuver properly both in and out of the proposed trailer storage area located on the south side of the proposed building? We would like to see an illustration of that movement.
- 12. Floor plans indicate a single story building. Windows shown in submitted building elevations seem to indicate the possibility of some second floor use.

Enclosed are comments from the Fire Marshal, Engineering Dept. and Water and Sewer Division.

Please note: Any responses/correspondence, additional documents and/or revised plans <u>must</u> be received by the Planning & Zoning Department by the close of business on **Wednesday**, **May 5**, **2021** in order to be provided to the Planning & Zoning Commission prior to the Monday, May 10, 2021 meeting. If additional information, responses or documents are necessary to address staff comments and have not been submitted by the Wednesday, May 5, 2021 cutoff, Commission policy is that the application will not be considered/discussed at the upcoming meeting since the necessary information has not been provided.

If you have <u>any</u> questions or need clarification please contact the Planning Office at 203-294-2090.

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402-21F **Health Department**

Memo

To: Thomas M. Talbot, Town Planner		
From:	Vanessa Bautista, Chief Sanitarian	
Date:	April 29, 2021	
Re:	1117 Northrop & 2 Northrop Ind. Park Rd.	

This department has reviewed and approved the subsurface sewage disposal system plan for the above referenced property. If there are any further questions regarding this manner please contact this office, 203-294-2065.

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Planning and Zoning Commissioners 45 South Main Street Wallingford, CT 06492 MAY 1 / 2021 WALLINGFORD PLANNING & ZONING

Gentlemen:

First, we wish to express our sincere appreciation for all the work you all do and the dedication you have to the overwhelming tasks you often have at hand. This was especially evident and apparent once again as you addressed the issues surrounding the 5 Research Parkway application at your meeting this past week on May 10, 2021. Thank you especially for comments regarding "appropriateness for the neighborhood"; light, noise, and air pollution; delivery station vs warehouse allowed in zone?

We had previously sent Kevin Pagini an email on May 6, 2021, with questions of concern regarding not only the 5 Research Parkway application but that of the warehouses on Northrop Rd. We were so happy to see that the commission addressed having a traffic study include the effect of traffic on Northrop and its effect subsequently on Research Parkway.

In addition, another concern we raised was that the end of Northrop Road from Rte 68 to Carpenter Lane is posted as "No Thru Trucks." As we frequently see tractor trailers use this part of the road, apparently it is rarely enforced. In fairness to trucks entering Northrop Rd from Rte 68 (Barnes Rd), with the signage posted where it is it must be difficult for truckers to see let alone allow for correction of their error if realized. The same can be said for signage if making a left turn onto Northrop Rd from Carpenter Lane. Truckers coming from the Meriden end of Northrop just seem to either miss the sign completely or blatantly ignore as they make their way to Rte. 68. Busses have stopped using this section of road and now leave the depot via Carpenter Lane to Research Parkway in part due to sight line issues. I'm sure the same can be said for truckers. Will this be addressed as part of the traffic study, or is it under the PZC purview to request owners of these warehouses address truck traffic preferred routes be North Farms Rd and Research Parkway vs using Northrop if applications are granted?

We also think it important and request the Commissioners all take a moment to drive the length of Northrop Road if they haven't already to see first-hand how narrow, winding, and dangerous due to sight lines it is not only for normal cars but how exasperating it can be when having to share that road with truck traffic. Talk about keeping the rural nature of this area...there are still operational farms on Northrop Road. Now as is happening in so many areas, the land is being industrialized. Can the PZC request the road be widened and sight lines improved should these applications for warehouses be approved if traffic cannot be otherwise diverted onto North Farms?

Again, thank you all for your time, dedication, and work. Hopefully the concerns we have raised here can also be addressed.

Sincerely, hvey Mades

James and Shirley Shadish 6 Tammy Hill Road

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2 Questions for consideration -

Currently the end of Northrop Rd at the intersection of Rte 68 as well as the intersection of Carpenter Lane is posted as "no thru truck traffic." I frequently see tractor trailer trucks using this stretch of road in violation.

My concern is that with the proposed warehouse being built at 5 Research Parkway in addition to those being proposed on Northrop there is going to be a tremendous impact on those local roads, as well as Rte 68 intersections and I-91 ramps.

1) Will there be any restrictions and enforcement of trucks using Northrop to get to Rte 68 and the I-91 ramps as well as entering Northrop from Rte 68?

2) Are traffic studies being conducted by PZC being "all-inclusive" vs just impact of just one single warehouse on Research and/or Northrop. These streets are only a block away from each other and are heavily used by the 500 residents for egress in and out of neighborhoods surrounding these streets.

Thank you.

Shirley and James Shadish 6 Tammy Hill Rd 203-265-1378

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From: Dennie Ceneviva Dennis@cenevivalaw.com & Subject: Fwd: SP #402-21; NORTHROP ROAD Date: May 6, 2021 at 10:14 AM To: Kacie Hand kacie.costello@wallingfordct.gov

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From: Dennis Ceneviva <<u>dennis@cenevivalaw.com</u>> Subject: Re: SP #402-21; NORTHROP ROAD Date: May 6, 2021 at 10:07:42 AM EDT To: <u>kacie.hand@wallingfordct.gov</u> Cc: Jim Cassidy <<u>jcassidy@hpcengr.com</u>>

Tom,

Since the traffic peer review has not been received by either the Town or my client, it is appropriate to continue the above Special Permit public hearing until the P & Z's June 14, 2021 meeting. This is my client's request and CONSENT to do so. I do ask that the P & Z open the public hearing and continue it to June without comment, as that will address the issue of Notice to abufters, which has been provided already.

Thank you.

Dennis Dennis A. Ceneviva, Esq. Ceneviva Law Firm, LLC 721 Broad Street Meriden, CT 06450 203-237-8808 FAX 203-237-4240

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Kevin,

Please allow this email to serve as written confirmation that my client, 1070 North Farms Road, LLC, requests, and consent to, a continuation of its Public Hearing scheduled by the Planning & Zoning Commission for its June 14, 2021 meeting to the July 12, 2021 meeting. Thank you.

Dennis Dennis A. Ceneviva, Esq. Ceneviva Law Firm, LLC 721 Broad Street Meriden, CT 06450 203-237-8808 FAX 203-237-4240

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May 11, 2021

Mr. Kevin Pagini Town Planner Town of Wallingford 45 South Main Street, Room 203 Wallingford, CT 06492

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Re: On-Call Peer Review Services 1117 Northrop Road and 2 Northrop Industrial Park Road Wallingford, Connecticut SLR #141.11585.00065

Dear Mr. Pagini:

Per the request of the Town of Wallingford, SLR International Corporation (SLR) has conducted a review of the *Traffic Impact Assessment* prepared by Solli Engineering for the proposed warehouse development to be located at 1117 Northrop Road/2 Northrop Industrial Park Road.

The following documents were provided to us for our review:

- Traffic Impact Assessment, Proposed Warehouse, 1117 Northrop Road, 2 Northrop Ind. Park Road, Wallingford, CT, dated March 3, 2021, prepared by Solli Engineering.
- Plan set titled "Site Plan & Wetlands Application for Proposed 250,000 Sq. Ft. Warehouse/Distribution Building," 1117 Northrop Road and 2 Northrop Ind. Park Road East, Wallingford, Connecticut, originally dated Sept. 29, 2020, and revised Feb. 17, 2021, prepared by Hallisey, Pearson & Cassidy Civil Engineers & Land Surveyors.

REVIEW COMMENTS

Please find our comments below regarding the *Traffic Impact Assessment* and associated traffic, access, and circulation aspects of the site plan for the proposed development, a one-story, 250,000 square-foot (SF) warehouse with 250 parking spaces.

Existing Conditions

1. The study area reviewed in the assessment is sufficient to analyze traffic impacts of the proposed development in Wallingford.

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Additional review comments may be provided depending on the applicant's responses to our comments above.



We hope this letter is useful in the Town of Wallingford's continued review of the proposed warehouse development. Please let us know if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

SLR International Corporation

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David G. Sullivan, PE US Manager of Traffic & Transportation Planning

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Carl Giordano, EIT, CNŬ A Project Transportation Engineer

STANDARD TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Unless specifically excluded in the Contract, these Terms and Conditions are incorporated by reference into the foregoing proposal or contract and shall be part of the Agreement under which Services are to be performed by SLR International Corporation (SLR) for the Client.

1. Method of Payment: Monthly, SLR will invoice Client for all Services rendered during the previous month. Invoices will be due upon receipt. Any unpaid invoices and charges will draw late payment fees at 1½% per month commencing 30 days after date of invoice. Client shall notify SLR in writing of any disputed amount within 10 days after date of invoice; otherwise, Client shall be deemed to have waived any objection to all invoice charges and agreed to the invoice being acceptable. Payment thereafter shall first be applied to accrued interest and then to the principal unpaid amount. Lump Sum Fee Price and Fixed Price contracts will be invoiced on a percent-complete basis as determined by SLR. Unless otherwise agreed, out-of-pocket costs for mileage, special mailing, reprographics, and similar costs will be invoiced as additional direct expenses. Subconsultant fees will be invoiced at cost plus a 10 percent markup for processing. In the event that SLR retains a collection agency or attorneys to recover any monies owed by Client to SLR, then SLR shall also be entitled to recover its reasonable cost of collection and legal costs from Client, including, but not limited to, all fees and costs incurred by SLR under mediation and litigation proceedings. SLR may suspend or terminate any and all of the Services if payment of any invoiced amount not reasonably in dispute is not received by SLR within 60 days from the date of SLR's invoice. Such suspension of services is done without waiving any other claim against Client and without incurring any liability to Client for such suspension due to Client's breach of payment terms. Termination shall not relieve Client of its obligation to pay amounts incurred up to termination.

The **Client's** obligation to pay for the Services performed under this Agreement is in no way contingent upon **Client's** ability to obtain financing, zoning, approval of governmental or regulatory agencies, favorable judgment of lawsuit, or upon **Client's** successful completion of project. Should Services be suspended for a period of ninety (90) days, **SLR** shall be entitled to additional compensation to reinitiate work. Lump sum fees, if applicable, quoted in this Contract shall remain valid for a period of twelve (12) months from the date of Contract. Thereafter, they may be adjusted in accordance with **SLR's** current rate structure. Hourly personnel rates may be adjusted on an annual basis.

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Client shall not be entitled to assert a claim against SLR based on any theory of professional negligence or violation of the standard of care unless and until Client has obtained the written opinion from a licensed, independent, and reputable engineering and/or environmental professional, as appropriate for the Services in question, that SLR has violated the standard of care applicable to SLR's performance of those Services under this Contract. Client shall promptly provide such independent opinion to SLR, and the parties shall endeavor in good faith to resolve the claim within 30 days.

3. <u>Deliverables</u>: All hard paper copies of deliverables, including, and limited to, any and all reports, drawings, plans, and specifications prepared by SLR hereunder shall be delivered to Client upon final payment for SLR's Services. Deliverables may not be used or reused by Client, its employees, agents, or subcontractors in any extension of the project or on any other project or any other use without the prior written consent of SLR. Client agrees that all deliverables furnished to the Client not paid for in full will be returned to SLR upon demand and will not be used for design, construction, permits, or licensing. All originals of such deliverables shall remain in possession of and the property of SLR. Copies of any electronic media or disks of originals of any of SLR's deliverables, such as designs, specifications, calculations, CAD documents, etc., shall not be made available unless a specific agreement is made to the contrary as part of the Scope of Services. All the drawings, plans, specifications, and deliverables prepared by SLR are instruments of SLR's service, and SLR shall be deemed the author of them and will retain all common law, statutory, and other reserved rights, including, but not limited to, the copyrights.

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for services rendered or \$250,000.00, whichever is less. SLR is solely responsible for its personnel only, and no others. SLR shall not be responsible for any special, incidental, indirect, or consequential damages (including loss of profits) incurred by Client as a result of SLR's performance or nonperformance of Services. SLR shall not be liable for extra work or other consequences due to changed conditions or for costs related to failure of the construction contractor or materialmen or service provider to install work in accordance with the plans, specifications, or applicable code, or for the actions or inactions of regulatory agencies. Any claim shall be deemed waived unless made by Client in writing and received by SLR within one (1) year after completion or termination of the Services.

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April 8, 2021

Ms. Alison Kapushinski, PE Town Engineer Town of Wallingford 45 South Main Street, Room 203 Wallingford, CT 06492

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WALLINGFORD PLANNING & ZONING

Re: On-Call Peer Review Services 1117 Northrop Road and 2 Northrop Industrial Park Road Wallingford, Connecticut SLR #141.11585.P0065

Dear Ms. Kapushinski,

We are pleased to provide you with this proposal for a technical traffic peer review of the proposed 1117 Northrop Road and 2 Northrop Industrial Park Road site development that is before your Planning and Zoning Commission. It is our understanding that the site is proposed to be redeveloped to contain a large warehouse/delivery facility.

SLR International Corporation (SLR) will provide the following services related to the above-referenced application:

SCOPE OF SERVICES

- 1.0 Traffic Impact Study Review
 - 1.1 Visit the site to familiarize ourselves with the site and environs.
 - 1.2 Review of the traffic impact study will be made to assess (i) the adequacy of its analysis per accepted industry procedures, (ii) the findings as they relate to anticipated impacts, (iii) the appropriateness of any recommendations made by the applicant to mitigate any impacts and concerns, and (iv) whether or not any impacts and mitigation were not identified in the study that should have been considered. Additionally, we will do a check of the applicant's assessment of sight lines, area crash history analysis, trip generation/distribution, background projections, analysis procedures, and interpretation of results.

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- 1.4 Attend one Planning and Zoning meeting(s)/hearing(s) as requested.

PROFESSIONAL FEES

We will perform the services noted above for a lump sum fee of \$3,000, including direct expenses (e.g., printing and mileage).

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This proposal is subject to our Standard Terms and Conditions, which are attached hereto and incorporated herein.

EXCLUSIONS/LIMITATIONS

The following work items are not included in this scope of services at this time:

- 1. Professional services other than what is listed in the scope of services
- 2. Production of plans or drawings
- 3. Parking analysis
- 4. Review of response to comments by applicant
- 5. Review of site plans and internal circulation aspects of the application
- 6. Meetings/hearings beyond the one meeting in Task 1.4

Should these or any additional services be required, they can be provided on an hourly basis or for a lump sum fee.

ACCEPTANCE

Please confirm your acceptance of the above by signing one copy in the space provided and returning it to us for our files.

April 8, 2021 Ms. Alison Kapushinski Page 3



Please feel free to contact either of the undersigned should you have questions regarding our proposal.

Sincerely,

SLR International Corporation

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David G. Sullivan, PE U.S. Manager of Traffic & Transportation Planning

Enclosure

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Neil C. Olinski, MS, PTP **Senior Transportation Planner**

The above proposal and attached Standard Terms and Conditions are understood and accepted:

By _____ Date _____

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Subject SP #402-21

From Dennis Ceneviva <Dennis@cenevivalaw.com>

- To Kacie Hand <kacie.costello@wallingfordct.gov>
- Cc Jim Cassidy <jcassidy@hpcengr.com>, John Orsini <jorsini@executiveag.com>, Kevin Solli <Kevin@sollillc.com>
- Date 2021-03-30 1:18 pm



Good afternoon Tom,

It has come to my attention that the Wallingford P & Z Commission might be interested in having the Town engage a Traffic Peer Reviewer for the Special Permit application filed my client and identified as SP #402-21. Please allow this email to serve as confirmation that my client consents and/or requests that a traffic peer reviewer be engaged by the Town at Applicant's reasonable expense to complete any such peer review as it relates to my client's application.

Thank you.

Dennis Dennis A. Ceneviva, Esq. Ceneviva Law Firm, LLC 721 Broad Street Meriden, CT 06450 203-237-8808 FAX 203-237-4240

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TO:	Alison Kapushinski, Town Engineer
FROM:	Thomas Talbot, Planner ThT
DATE:	April 16, 2021

SUBJECT: Peer Review Services for 1117 Northrop Road and 2 Northrop Industrial Park Road

Enclosed please find a copy of the letter and check received in this office by the applicant for the peer review for the above-referenced project. You may notify the Engineering firm that work may commence at any time.

Any questions, notify me in the Planning Department.

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402-21L

June 29, 2021

Mr. Kevin Pagini Town Planner Town of Wallingford 45 South Main Street, Room 203 Wallington, CT 06492

RE: Response to Peer Review Comments Traffic Impact Assessment 1117 Northrop Road 2 Northrop Ind. Park Road Wallingford, CT

JUN 30 2021

WALLINGFORD PLANNING & ZONING

Dear Mr. Pagini,

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The Traffic Impact Assessment has been revised to incorporate the traffic associated with the proposed project at 5 Research Parkway, as requested. This project was not included in the original Traffic Impact Assessment as it is not yet approved by the Town. The trips generated by this development are reflected in Figure 5b, Background Generator Trips 5 Research Parkway, and have been added into the 2023 background traffic volumes reflected on Figure 5.

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The vehicle tracking for a WB-67 trucks travelling to/from the south via Northrop Road has been included as supporting document to this letter. Northrop Road is designated as a no thru truck route therefore no trucks are anticipated to exit left out of the site or enter right into the site.

b. A crash analysis for the years 2017 through 2019 (the three years pre-COVID) and 2020 (one year during COVID conditions) should be provided for the length of Northrop Road.

A review of the most recent three years of accident data prior to COVID-19 travel restrictions throughout the study area was completed and a review of 2020 accident data, during COVID-19, which did not identify any accident patterns that would warrant mitigation. A complete breakdown of the accidents identified throughout the study area is included in the revised Traffic Impact Assessment.

Capacity Analysis

14. During the PM peak hour, at the I-91 northbound ramps intersection, the westbound through movement worsens from LOS E to LOS F (an increase in 15 to 20 seconds of delay). However, a degradation in LOS of this scale seems high with only 16 total site trips being added to the intersection during the PM peak hour. Nonetheless, alternative signal timings to improve the westbound through operations in the form of *Synchro* output sheets should be provided.

The traffic assessment has been revised to include the traffic volumes and signal improvements associated with the proposed 5 Research Parkway project. Under the 2023 background conditions during the evening peak hour, the westbound through movement is anticipated to operate at a LOS C with 33.2 seconds of delay and LOS D with 35.5 seconds of delay in the build condition, an increase of 2.3 seconds of delay, which does not warrant mitigation.

15. Based on our review of the capacity analysis, all other intersection operations would not appear to be adversely impacted by the proposed warehouse development. As stated earlier, this is based on the traditional warehouse trip generation assumed for this site. This should be reevaluated upon any revision to the applicant's background traffic (per Comment 10 above) and if a higher traffic-generating type of warehouse use (such as a High Cube Fulfillment Center Warehouse with sorting [ITE LUC 155]) is allowed under the site zoning.

The proposed tenant has not yet been identified, however, the anticipated operator is expected to operate similarly to a Warehouse facility as classified by ITE, as detailed in the response to Comment 5 above.

Site Plan Traffic Aspects

16. Truck turn diagrams should be provided for a WB-67 truck for all entering and exiting truck movements at the site driveway along Northrop Road.



The vehicle tracking for a WB-67 trucks travelling to/from the south along Northrop Road has been included as supporting document to this letter. Northrop Road is designated as a no thru truck route therefore no trucks are anticipated to exit left out of the site or right into the site.

17. A stop sign should be shown at the site egress approach. Additionally, turning arrow pavement markings should be shown in each lane of the egress approach.

A stop sign and pavement markings have been added to the site plan. See revised Zoning Improvement Location Survey-Proposed & Site Layout Plan, Sheet 5 of 31, included with this letter, for proposed layout.

Please review our response to comments and revised application material and let us know if you have any questions or require any additional information. We look forward to continuing working with you throughout this application process.

Respectfully,

Solli Engineering, LLC

Collene Byrne Project Manager

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Kevin Solli, P.E. Principal

Enclosures:

ITE Parking Demand Rate Sheet - LUC 150

Zoning Improvement Location Survey - Proposed & Site Layout Plan (Sheet 5 of 31) Sight Line Plan & Profile Along Northrop Road (Sheet 21 of 31) Turning Maneuver Plan WB-67 - Egress To Northrop Road East Bound (Sheet TM-1) Turning Maneuver Plan WB-67 - Ingress From Northrop Road West Bound (Sheet TM-2)

Revised Traffic Impact Assessment

CC: Jim Cassidy / Hallisey, Pearson & Cassidy

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Warehousing (150)				
	Weekday (Monday - Friday) General Urban/Suburban 11:00 a.m 4:00 p.m. 31			

Peak Period Parking Demand per 1000 Sq. Ft. GFA

Average Rate	Range of Rates	33rd / 85th Percentile	95% Confidence Interval	Standard Deviation (Coeff. of Variation)	
0.39	0.03 - 1.96	0.34 / 1.11	0.31 - 0.47	0.22 (56%)	

Data Plot and Equation



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March 3, 2021 Revised: June 28, 2021

Mr. James Cassidy Hallisey, Pearson & Cassidy Engineering Assoc., Inc. 630 Main Street, Suite 1A Cromwell, CT 06416

RE: Traffic Impact Assessment Proposed Warehouse 1117 Northrop Road, 2 Northrop Ind. Park Road Wallingford, CT Project Number: 2005101

Dear Mr. Cassidy,

Solli Engineering, LLC has prepared this assessment to provide an analysis of the potential traffic impacts associated with the proposed development located along Northrop Road in Wallingford, CT. The evaluation has been completed in accordance with the Town of Wallingford requirements as well as standard traffic engineering methodology. Our investigation concludes that the proposed development will not have an adverse impact on the area roadway network.

Project Description:

The property is located along Northrop Road in Wallingford, Connecticut approximately 1.1 miles north of the intersection of Barnes Road (Route 68) and Northrop Road. The site is currently undeveloped and partially wooded on the western border. The project site is bound by warehouse developments to the west, residential homes to the north, farmland to the east, and undeveloped land to the south. Refer to Figure 1, Site Location Map, for more details on the project location.

The project proposes the construction of a one-story, $250,000\pm$ sf warehouse inclusive of $7,500\pm$ sf of office area with associated parking. The parcel is located within the Industrial Expansion (IX) District. Site access is proposed via a stop controlled site driveway on Northrop Road. See the Site Index Plan for more details on the proposed site configuration.

Existing Conditions:

Northrop Road is a local road that runs north to south with a posted speed limit of 30 miles per hour in the vicinity of the project site. Northrop Road is a two-lane roadway that provides local access with a mix of commercial and residential uses along the corridor. There are no sidewalks along the property's frontage on Northrop Road.

Turning movement count was collected on September 15, 2020. As a result of the travel restrictions and social distancing practices associated with the outbreak of COVID-19, data collected was lower than historical data. Per guidance provided by the Connecticut Department of Transportation, the data was

adjusted to reflect traffic operations during normal conditions to establish 2020 existing count data. The 2020 existing traffic volumes are illustrated in Figure 2.

Proposed Conditions:

Full movement access to the site is proposed via a STOP-controlled intersection from Northrop Road. Preliminary site development plans consisted of two proposed STOP-controlled intersections, one driveway located at the western corner of the property across from the existing site-access to a private industrial development and a secondary access approximately 720 feet east. Site access has been modified to provide one primary access with two lanes of egress at the vertical crest of the roadway on Northrop Road to maximize intersection sight distance.

Intersection sight distance (ISD) at the proposed site driveway was reviewed and evaluated per guidance provided in the 2003 edition of the Connecticut Department of Transportation, Highway Design Manual. Based on the posted speed limit of 30 miles per hour, a minimum ISD of 335 feet is required for passenger cars exiting the site and a minimum ISD of 510 feet is required for tractor/semitrailers exiting the site. Based on the 85th percentile speed of 42 miles per hour observed by the ATR for vehicles traveling northbound on Northrop Road, a minimum ISD of 463 feet is required for passenger cars looking right from the site driveway and a minimum ISD of 710 feet is required for tractors/semitrailers looking to the right from the driveway. Based on the 85th percentile speed of 46 miles per hour observed by the ATR for vehicles traveling traveling southbound on Northrop Road, a minimum ISD of 507 feet is required for passenger cars and a minimum ISD of 778 feet is required for tractor/semitrailers looking left from the site driveway.

Based on review of the existing conditions in the vicinity of the proposed site driveway intersection, brush clearing along the property frontage and within right of way is required to achieve intersection sight distance. Intersection sight distance looking left from the proposed unsignalized driveway is less than the minimum required sight distance in the existing condition, however, it is anticipated that adequate intersection sight distance, based on the posted speed limit, can be achieved with brush clearing across the property frontage and within the town right of way. Additionally, it is anticipated that the intersection sight distance for passenger vehicles, based on the 85th percentile speed, can be achieved with the recommended brush clearing. The intersection sight distance is anticipated to meet the required sight distance for tractor/semitrailers traveling northbound without roadway improvements, furthermore, a vehicle traveling northbound will also have adequate stopping distance to stop before entering the site driveway intersection. The required stopping sight distance traveling northbound, based on the 85th percentile speed, is 380 feet.

The anticipated number of trips that will be generated by proposed development was estimated using data from the Institute of Transportation Engineers (ITE) Trip Generation Manual, 10th Edition. The trip generation was calculated for the weekday AM and weekday PM peak hours based on the proposed land use. The trip generation rate sheets are provided as a supporting document to this assessment. Table 1 below illustrates the anticipated trips to be generated by the proposed project during the weekday AM and weekday PM peak hours, as these are the peak hours which have the greatest potential for impact on the adjacent roadway based on the proposed land use. A detailed breakdown of the proposed trip generation calculations are provided as a supporting document to this assessment.

TABLE 1 TRIP GENERATION SUMMARY						
LAND USE	AM	PEAK H	OUR	UR PM PEAK HOUR		OUR
LINE ODE	ENTER	EXIT	TOTAL	ENTER	EXIT	TOTAL
Warehousing (LUC 150) 250,000±sf	. 33	10	43	13	35	48
Total New Trips	33	10	43	13	35	48







The anticipated distribution of new traffic entering and exiting the site was developed based on area populations, existing traffic patterns, and layout of the adjacent roadway network. The following distributions were applied to the new site generated trips:

- 10% to/from the west via Northrop Road
- 90% to/from the east via Northrop Road

The anticipated percent distribution of the new site generated trips is illustrated in Figure 3. The new site generated trips were assigned to the site driveway intersection based on the anticipated percent distributions illustrated in Figure 3 and the resulting trip assignment is illustrated in Figure 4.

As the proposed development is anticipated to be opened in 2023, background traffic growth is estimated to account for the traffic increase as a result of regional population growth. Based on previous ADT data provided by the Connecticut Department of Transportation (CTDOT), there has been a minor increase in overall traffic volumes in the study area in recent years. The ADT reported for Barnes Road (Route 68) between the Interstate 91 northbound and southbound ramps in 2013 was 20,500 vehicles while the reported ADT in 2017 increased to 21,200 vehicles. The ADT data provided by the CTDOT is reflective of an annual growth rate of 0.85 percent. The existing traffic volumes on Northrop Road were projected to the 2023 design year using a conservative 1.00 percent per year growth rate. Confirmation of this background growth rate was also provided by CTDOT.

A 158,333 \pm sf warehouse facility with an additional 5,000 \pm sf of office located at 850 Murdock Avenue was recently approved by the City of Meriden. The nearby project is located north of the proposed development and includes shared access via the existing Flexo Convertors Driveway on Northrop Road. The vehicle trips associated with this recently approved, but not yet constructed, development have been included in the traffic impact analysis as a background generator and are included in the 2023 background traffic volumes. The specific traffic volumes generated by the proposed development are illustrated in Figure 5a. Additionally, a proposed redevelopment of the property at 5 Research Parkway has been included as a background generator to this study. The redevelopment of 5 Research Parkway includes a proposed delivery station consisting of 219,000 \pm sf warehouse building and 1,269 parking spaces. Vehicle trips associated with the redevelopment are illustrated in Figure 5b and are included in the 2023 background traffic volumes illustrated in Figure 5.

The trip assignment volumes illustrated in Figure 4 were combined with the 2023 background volumes illustrated in Figure 5 to develop the build traffic volumes. Figure 6 illustrates the 2023 build traffic volumes.

The Connecticut Department of Transportation and Town of Wallingford were contacted to identify any ongoing or proposed projects within the study area which may impact the analysis. No further projects were identified which would impact the analysis.

Safety Analysis:

Accident data was obtained from the Connecticut Crash Data Repository for the three most recent years of available data prior to COVID from May 2017 to May 2020 for the study area intersections and along Northrop Road. There was a total of 41 accidents identified along the corridor in the area of study. There were a total of five (5) crashes identified along Northrop Road consisting of one (1) angle and four (4) unclassified accidents over the three year period, four of which occurred when the road surface conditions were impaired. There were a total of sixteen (16) crashes identified at the intersection of Barnes Road (Route 68) & Miles Drive/Northrop Road over the three year period, consisting of nine (9) rear end, one (1) angle, one (1) sideswipe in the opposite direction, three (3) sideswipe in the same direction, and one (1) other accident. A total of ten (10) crashes were identified at the intersection of Barnes Road (Route 68) &



Interstate 91 Southbound, consisting of two (2) rear end, three (3) angle, and five (5) sideswipe in the same direction. A total of fifteen (15) crashes were identified at the intersection of Barnes Road (Route 68) & Interstate 91 Northbound Ramp, consisting of seven (7) rear end, four (4) angle, two (2) sideswipe in the same direction, and two (2) other accidents. During the three-year period throughout the study area, three (3) of the reported accidents occurred in work zones when traffic patterns were not reflective of normal operating conditions.

In addition to the evaluation of three years of accident data prior to COVID-19 travel restrictions, an additional year of accident data from May 2020 to May 2021 was analyzed. During this time period, six (6) accidents were observed at the intersection of Barnes Road (Route 68) & Miles Drive/Northrop Road, one (1) accident was observed at Barnes Road (Route 68) & Interstate 91 Southbound, and three (3) accidents were observed at the intersection of Barnes Road (Route 68) & Interstate 91 Northbound. Overall, the safety assessment showed that there are no accident patterns or geometric deficiencies identified that would warrant mitigation. Based on the review of the accident data, the main cause of the accidents was from operator error. A summary of the accident data for the two study periods is provided as a supporting document to this assessment.

Roadway Audit:

Solli Engineering conducted a Road Audit on Tuesday, September 15, 2020. The audit was held along Northrop Road in Wallingford, CT. Members of the audit team discussed safety issues, conducted a site visit, and determined countermeasures during the audit on the infrastructure and operating conditions of Northrop Road.

Northrop Road has a road width that varies from 20 feet to 30 feet throughout the study area. During the audit it was noted that the roadway width was restricted by mature trees in multiple locations. Northrop Road is approximately 24 feet in width from the intersection of Barnes Road to the northern most site driveway to the Marriott Courtyard Hotel. The road narrows north of the Marriott Courtyard Hotel to a width between 20 feet and 22 feet and then widens to 30 feet from the site driveway to Flexo Converters to the intersection of North Farms Road. As a result of the narrow pavement width, no shoulder is provided along the roadway and curbing exists intermittently throughout the roadway. There are double yellow lines along the length of Northrop Road, marking the center of roadway and separating direction of travel. The Connecticut Department of Transportation has designated a portion of Northrop Road between Carpenter Land and Barnes Road (Route 68) as a No Thru Trucks section. There is signage at either end of this section which states NO THRU TRUCKS. Solli Engineering noted during a field investigation that WB-67 trucks were traveling from the industrial developments at the northern portion of Northrop Road to the intersection of Northrop Road and Barnes Road. It was noted that the roadway was heavily traveled by school busses with the Durham School Services bus depot located at the intersection of Northrop Road and Carpenter Lane. Overhead utility lines run along the side the northbound travel lane of Northrop Road with overhead crossings to provide power to the residences located on the western side of the road. Speed limit signs along the road state that the speed limit is 30 miles per hour in both directions.

Northrop Road varies in width between 20 feet and 22 feet across the property frontage. The proposed development includes the widening of Northrop Road within the existing right of way in the vicinity of the project site to provide 30 feet of pavement to accommodate delivery vehicles. This improvement along with vertical curve improvements along this section of Northrop Road will increase driver visibility. It is recommended that the Town of Wallingford review the roadway section of Northrop Road north of the Marriott Courtyard Hotel for additional widening within the right of way to provide additional shoulder width. This work is outside of the scope of this project but would address geometric deficiencies of the existing roadway in this area. No accident trends were identified along Northrop Road which would indicate the need for additional geometric improvements to the existing roadway.



Capacity Analysis:

To determine the operating conditions of the study area intersections after the development has been constructed, the intersection was analyzed using the Synchro 10 capacity analysis software for the existing, background, and build peak hour conditions during the weekday AM and weekday PM peak hours, as these are the periods which have the greatest potential for impact by the proposed development.

The results of the Synchro analysis describe the traffic impact in terms of Level of Service (LOS). LOS describes the operational condition of the signalized intersection in terms of delay (in seconds per vehicle) and is expressed on a scale of A through F with LOS A being the best and LOS F being the worst. LOS A reflects intersection operations with little to no vehicle delay (less than 10 seconds per vehicle) and LOS F reflects intersection conditions that are over capacity and experience long delays (more than 80 seconds of delay per vehicle at signalized intersections and more than 50 seconds of delay per vehicle at unsignalized intersections, only the delay on the STOP-controlled approach is reported. Table 2 below summarized the results of the analysis for the existing, background and build scenarios.

TABLE 2 PEAK HOUR LEVEL OF SERVICE SUMMARY (AM/PM)					
INTERSECTION	2020 Existing	2023 Background	2023 Build		
Northrop Road & Site Driveway*	-	-	A/A		
Barnes Road (Route 68) & Northrop Road/Miles Drive	B/B	B/C	B/C		
Eastbound (Barnes Road, Route 68)	B/B	B/B	B/C		
Westbound (Barnes Road, Route 68)	A/B	B/B	B/C		
Northbound (Miles Drive)	B/B	B/B	B/B		
Southbound (Northrop Road)	D/C	D/D	D/D		
Barnes Road (Route 68) & Interstate 91 Southbound	C/C	C/C	C/C		
Eastbound (Barnes Road, Route 68)	C/B	C/C	C/B		
Westbound (Barnes Road, Route 68)	B/B	B/B	B/B		
Southbound (Interstate 91 Southbound)	C/E	D/E	D/E		
Barnes Road (Route 68) & Interstate 91 Northbound	C/D	C/C	C/D		
Eastbound (Barnes Road, Route 68)	B/B	B/C	B/C		
Westbound (Barnes Road, Route 68)	C/E	B/C	B/D		
Northbound (Interstate 91 Northbound)	D/D	D/D	D/D		

*Unsignalized Intersection

Under the 2023 build condition, the proposed site driveway intersection with Northrop Road will operate at a LOS A with 9.0 seconds of delay during the weekday AM peak hour and a LOS A with 8.9 seconds of delay during weekday PM peak hour. Under the 2023 background condition, the signalized intersection of Barnes Road (Route 68) & Interstate 91 Northbound operates at a LOS C with 33.2 seconds of delay during the weekday PM peak hour. Under the 2023 build condition, the signalized intersection of Barnes Road (Route 68) & Interstate 91 Northbound operates at a LOS D with 35.5 seconds of delay during the weekday PM peak hour. Under the 2023 build condition the eastbound 95th percentile queuing at the intersection of Barnes Road (Route 68) & Interstate 91 Southbound is anticipated to be 192 feet and 280 feet during the weekday AM and weekday PM peak hours, respectively. The anticipated queues at the eastbound approach are not anticipated to extend through the intersection of Barnes Road (Route 68) & Interstate 91 Southbound and will be metered by the upstream signal. The queue lengths reported by the Synchro analysis accounts for the percentage of heavy vehicles which are anticipated to be utilizing the roadway. The traffic impact analysis indicates that the anticipated minor increase in traffic volume associated with the proposed development can be accommodated without adverse impact on the operating conditions of the adjacent roadway network. Copies of the Synchro analysis reports are provided as a supporting document to this assessment.

Conclusion:



A traffic impact analysis of the site driveway intersection was conducted and indicates that the proposed project can be accommodated without adverse impact on the operating conditions of the study area roadway network. The proposed project includes the construction of a one-story, 250,000± square foot warehouse with associated parking, loading, drainage and utilities. This project proposes access via a proposed full movement STOP-controlled intersection with Northrop Road.

Based on the analysis, a total of 43 new trips (33 enter, 110 exit) are generated during the weekday AM peak hour, 48 new trips (13 enter, 35 exit) are generated during the weekday PM peak hour. Under the build condition in the year 2023, the site driveway is expected to operate at level of service A during the weekday AM and weekday PM peak hours.

It is the professional opinion of Solli Engineering that the traffic anticipated to be generated by the proposed development can be accommodated by the surrounding roadway network. There is no indication that the proposed development will have an adverse impact on the roadway network.

If you have any questions or require any additional information, please call at your convenience.

Sincerely, Solli Engineering, LLC

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Project Manager

Kevin Solli, P.E. Principal

Supporting Documents:

Site Location Map	(Figure 1)
2020 Existing Traffic Volumes	(Figure 2)
Trip Distribution	(Figure 3)
Trip Assignment	(Figure 4)
2023 Background Traffic Volumes	(Figure 5)
Background Generator Traffic Volumes: 850 Murdock	(Figure 5a)
Background Generator Traffic Volumes: 5 Research Parkway	(Figure 5b)
2023 Build Traffic Volumes	(Figure 6)
Automatic Traffic Recorder Location Map	(Figure 7)
Site Index Plan	(i iguic /)
Trip Generation Summary	
ITE Trip Generation Rate Sheets	
Study Area Accident Summary - May 2017 through May 2020	
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Growth Rate Guidance from CT DOT	
Synchro Capacity Analysis Worksheets	

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June 28, 2021

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Town of Wallingford Planning & Zoning Department 45 South Main Street Wallingford, CT 06492 JUN 30 2021

WALLINGFORD PLANNING & ZONING

RE: Response to Thomas Talbot Town Planner dated April 29, 2021 Regarding Special Permit Application #402-21, 1117 Northrop Road &

Response to Town of Wallingford Department of Engineering dated April 28, 2021 PZC Application #402-21/Special Permit Application, 1117 Northrop Road

Dear Mr. Talbot & Engineering:

This letter is in response to your comments that were provided to us on April 28 and 29, 2021, for the above project. Our response follows each comment in **bold and italicized** letters.

- The map section should have some sort of key map on each page.
 A Sheet Index has been added for each sheet showing the limits of what pages cover which part of the property.
- 2) Staff is having difficulty establishing the legality of the proposed property and its existence as a lot of record.

A map entitled "Property History Map" has been added to the plan set. This map shows the history of this property and is summarized as follows:

- being a portion of a large tract, prior to being subdivided in 2002,
- then being subdivided into #1117 & #1121 Northrop Road and #2 & #6 Northrop industrial Road on June 10, 2002,
- then being consolidated into #1117 Northrop Industrial Park Road on May 4, 2020, and
- As part of the approval of this application, these (2) properties will be combined into one parcel. The final address is to be provided by the Town.
- 3) There should be a singular deed description for the property as well as one street address.

As noted in #2 above, a singular deed description will be prepared upon approval of the project and the street address will be provided by the Town.

- 4) There should be at least one sheet showing the overall plan of development on the site. *Sheet #1 shows the overall plan of development on the site.*
- 5) There are no loading space calculations. Loading space calculations have been added to Sheet #5 and Sheet #7 of the plan set.
- 6) Sheet A-10 shows more parking than other sheets and should be revised. The parking on this plan was shown based on a preliminary plan. We have removed the excess parking on this plan where possible. This plan is intended for the interior layout of the building only. The site plans shall prevail for the approved parking configuration.
- 7) Parking requirement of 1 parking space per 1000 sf gfa is based on the standard for Distribution Warehouses and Truck Terminals found in the Wallingford Zoning Regulations. This use is described in other parts of the application as a Storage and Warehousing facility which has a minimum parking requirement of 1 parking space per 1500 sf gfa. Using that standard (which you must) it is possible, along with an allowed request for a 25% reduction, to show no more than 125 constructed employee parking spaces on this plan.

The plans have been updated so that the deferred parking spaces are not shown. Although we can reduce parking to as low as 125 employee spaces, our client feels they will need more parking spaces for the use. We are presently showing 209 parking spaces. Before the 25% reduction, we would be required to have 167 spaces.

8) A more substantial narrative is required. *Please see attached.*

- 9) How much area is under easement, wetlands or both?
 Area of wetlands = 609,131 sf or 13.9837 acres
 Area under easement = 192,080 sf or 4.4096 acres
 Area of wetlands & under easement = 735,454 sf or 16.8837 acres
- 10) What is the purpose of the truncated section of driveway adjacent to the southeast corner of the proposed building? Can it be removed?
 In the short term, this area is proposed to be used as a truck turnaround. In the long term, it could be used as an access drive to future development of the remainder of the property.
- 11) Can tractor trailers maneuver properly both in and out of the proposed trailer storage area located on the south side of the proposed building? We would like to see an illustration of that movement.

Sheets TM1-TM4 have been added to the plan set showing turning maneuvers for a tractor trailer truck through the entirety of the property.

12) Floor plans indicate a single story building. Windows shown in submitted building elevations seem to indicate the possibility of some second floor use. *The windows in the upper portion of the building are to allow natural light into the building. These window are located up high to prevent obstruction from racking and shelfing inside the building.*

ENGINEERING COMMENTS

1.) Site distance lines to be added to the Site Layout Plan. Limits of tree clearing to be noted.

A separate Sight Line Plan has been added to the plan set illustrating the plan and profile view of the Sight Lines from the access drive of the property. Clearing limits have been added to the plans.

- 2.) Applicant to provide truck turning movement for the trucks parking in the loading area west of the proposed building. TM1-TM4 Sheets have been added to the plan set illustrating truck maneuvers through the entirety of the proposed site.
- 3.) A pole replacement project by Eversource in the vicinity of the proposed project is ongoing. I don't recall if Poles #1588 and #3627 (immediately south of the proposed building) are being replaced. Applicant to coordinate access with Eversource throughout construction. *Noted.*
- 4.) The stormwater runoff for a portion of the western loading area bypasses water quality measures prior to entering the underground detention system and discharging to the adjacent wetlands. Pretreatment of stormwater runoff is strongly recommended in areas associated with truck loading and machinery such as the compacter. *The entirety of the parking/loading area drains to the underground infiltration systems prior to being discharged to the adjacent wetlands.*
- 5.) Proposed Stormwater Quality Basin #1: It appears the top of grate elevation, 357.67, is above the emergency spillway elevation, 357.0. The basin design should be adjusted so stormwater is discharged through the outlet control structure prior to discharging at the emergency spillway to adjacent property.

Top of grate and spillway elevations have been adjusted as requested. The top of grate elevation of the outlet control structure is also an emergency overflow. Water will be collected via the weir and weep hole prior to exiting through the emergency overflow.

6.) Proposed Stormwater Quality Basin #2: The maximum elevation within the basin is 354.08 for a 50-year storm and 354.32 for a 100-year storm. With an emergency spillway elevation at 354.0, it spears stormwater will be discharging during the 50- and 100-year storms. It's recommended the basins are designed to contain up to and including the 100-year storm. The emergency spillway should only be used during storms exceeding the 100-year frequency.

The elevation of the emergency spillway has been adjusted to 354.5 so that water will not flow through for anything under a 100-year storm.

7.) The 1-yr post-development peak discharge at Design Point 1 (SA-A), which discharges to wetlands west of the proposed site, exceeds the pre-development by 2.15 cfs (32.49 cfs existing, 30.34 cfs proposed). The report (page 7) appears to be contradictory stating at first there is a 0.35 cfs decrease in peak flow rate, and then addressing the increase of 2.15 cfs. Its always recommended to attenuate peak flow for all storms. Applicant to clarify the intentions, and what strategies were investigated to reduce peak flow for all storms, including the 1-year storm.

The Stormwater Management Report has been updated to reflect the correct changes from pre-development conditions. We are showing a 2.15 cfs increase for a 1-year storm event. Based on the accuracy of the computer modeling, this is a minimal increase.

8.) The plans label the subsurface water management systems east and west of the proposed buildings as detention basins. The report refers to them as underground infiltration systems. If they are infiltration stormwater, was a percolation test conducted? If the systems were modeled with an infiltration rate, what rate was used? *Percolation tests were conducted in the area of the underground systems and the results are attached to the end of this letter. An exfiltration rate of 0.08 in/hr was used in the modeling.*

I trust that the above satisfies all of the concerns listed therein. Kindly contact me should you require further information. Thank you.

Sincerely,

James P. Cassidy, P.E.

James P. Cassidy, P.E.

SPECIAL PERMIT APPLICATION #402-21 RESPONSE TO THOMAS TALBOT d. April 29, 2021 SHORT NARRATIVE

#8. Paragraph 4.9F(2) of the Wallingford Zoning Regulations requires a description of the proposed operations in sufficient detail for a determination of whether or not they are permitted in the district. The Applicant proposes to build a 250,000 s.f. one (1) story building with high ceilings and loading docks. While the Owner does not have a tenant for this building at this point, it is contemplated that the site and the building will be leased by a tenant or multiple tenants for the use of storage and warehousing with related office use. The Owner believes that the current market will support this development and that it will become an integral part of Northrop Industrial Park developed by John Orsini and his 1070 North Farms Road, LLC.





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November 24, 2020

via email

HALLISEY, PEARSON & CASSIDY ENGINEERING ASSOCIATES, INC. 630 Main Street Suite A Cromwell, Connecticut 06416

Attention: James P. Cassidy, P.E. Project Engineer

Regarding: FALLING HEAD INFILTRATION TESTING 1117 NORTHRUP ROAD WALLINGFORD, NEW HAVEN COUNTY, CONNECTICUT WHITESTONE PROJECT NO.: LM1715208.000

Dear Mr. Cassidy:

Whitestone Associates, Inc. (Whitestone) is pleased to submit this letter regarding the falling head infiltration testing for the above-referenced site. At the client's request, Whitestone performed falling head infiltration testing using two soil samples (East & West) delivered to our materials testing laboratory in Rocky Hill, Connecticut on October 22, 2020 in general conformance with Connecticut Department of Energy & Environmental Protection procedures. The results of the laboratory testing are summarized in the following table:

Falling Head Satur: Test, K	ated Hydraulic _{SAT} (inches/hou	
Sample Designation	East	West
Permeability	0.034	0.084

Laboratory gradations for each sample are attached. Whitestone appreciates the opportunity to be of continued service to Hallisey, Pearson & Cassidy Engineering Associates, Inc. Please do not hesitate to contact us with any questions regarding this letter.

Sincerely,

WHITESTONE ASSOCIATES, INC.

Jason R. Landry Project Manager Ryan R. Roy, P.E. Principal, New England Region

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With regard to Orsini's Northrop Ave Special Permit application #402-21 and the 4A Research Parkway Site Plan application #210-2, based on our conversations, both clients are requesting and have CONSENTED to a continuance to the August 9, 2021 meeting.

I will be proceeding with the 18 Duncan Street revision on Monday.

Thank you.

Dennis Dennis A. Ceneviva, Esq. Ceneviva Law Firm, LLC 721 Broad Street Meriden, CT 06450 203-237-8808 FAX 203-237-4240

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On Jul 9, 2021, at 10:48 AM, kevin.pagini@wallingfordct.gov wrote:

Hi Dennis,

Can you give me an update as to what is proceeding for Monday night?

Thank you,

Kevin J. Pagini Town Planner Town of Wallingford

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210-21A

PLANNING & ZONING INTER-DEPARTMENTAL REFERRAL NOTICE OF PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT

April 8, 2021	RECEIVED
April 12, 2021	APR 15 2021
May 10, 2021	WALLINGFORD PLANNING & ZONING
OPOSED DEVELOPMENTS: Site Plan (auto	omotive storage facility)/6 Research,
Parkway	
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WALLINGFORD TOWN HALL 45 SOUTH MAIN STREET WALLINGFORD, CT 06492 TELEPHONE (203) 294-2090 FAX (203) 294-2095

April 23, 2021

Six Research LLC 14 North Branford Road Wallingford, CT 06492

RE: Site Plan Application- 4A Research Parkway- #210-21,

Dear Sirs:

This office has the following preliminary comments regarding your application and associated plans:

- 1. Application does not include storm water management plan.
- 2. Application does not include any narrative confirming that this use is permitted in an IX District.
- 3. There should be a five ft. landscaped area in front of the proposed building.
- 4. Plan should show at least one tree along each 50ft of the front yard.
- 5. There are no utility lines to the new building shown on the plan.
- 6. Stormwater measures lack sufficient detail (e.g., sand table elevations,(outfall rip rap etc.).
- 7. How are you proposing to pave this lot?
- 8. Staff recommends a site sedimentation and erosion control bond of \$10,000.

Enclosed are comments from the Fire Marshal..

Should you wish to discuss these comments or the application further, please call the Planning Office at 203-294-2090.

Regards,

Thomas Talbot Planner Enclosure

Please note: Any responses/correspondence, additional documents and/or revised plans <u>must</u> be received by the Planning & Zoning Department by the close of business on **Wednesday, April 28, 2021** in order to be provided to the Planning & Zoning Commission prior to the Monday, May 10, 2021 meeting. If additional information, responses or documents are necessary to address staff comments and have not been submitted by the cutoff date, Commission policy is that the application will not be considered/discussed at the upcoming meeting since the necessary information has not been provided in timely fashion.



Town of Wallingford Department of Engineering 45 South Main Street Wallingford, Connecticut 06492 Tel: (203) 294-2035; Fax: (203) 284-4012

210-21C

MEMO

- **TO:** Planning & Zoning Commission
- FROM: Department of Engineering Amk

RE: PZC Application #210-21 4A Research Parkway/ Site Plan Application

RECEIVED WALLINGFORD PLANNING & ZONING

DATE: April 28, 2021

Dear Commissioners:

We are in receipt of the following materials for the referenced application:

• East Side Auto Transport Automotive Storage Facility Permit Drawings by Winterbourne Land Services and Summer Hill Civil Engineers & Land Surveyors, P.C., dated April 2021.

We offer the following comments based on the submitted materials:

- 1) Applicant to provide calculations showing attenuation of stormwater peak discharge for up to and including a 100-year storm.
- 2) Applicant to provide pipe sizing calculations for pipes sized for a minimum 10-year storm.
- 3) Proposed ground cover to be noted on plans.
- 4) Limit of disturbance to be shown on plans.
- 5) Inlet protection to be installed in down-gradient inlets.
- 6) Proposed slopes from southeast corner of the proposed building appears to be very flat at $\pm 0.35\%$. To ensure positive drainage and avoid ponding within the parking area, a minimum slope of 1% is suggested.
- 7) It appears the majority of the proposed parking area is directed to the proposed catch basin and pipe system which is subsequently treated by the proposed oil/grit separator and sand filter. Can the applicant confirm stormwater runoff north of the proposed

building, that does not flow to the proposed catch basins, is treated by existing stormwater quality systems?

- 8) This Department recommends an emergency spillway set at an elevation above the top of pond elevation for a 100-year storm. This gives an outlet for the stormwater overtopping the basin in a controlled manner with rip-rap to prevent erosion and scour, rather than allowing the excess stormwater to bubble over the entire basin. The top of the basin is typically set at an elevation that allows one-foot of freeboard above the top of pond elevation in a 100-year storm.
- 9) The top of grate elevation of the outlet control structure to be added to plans and/or detail.

If you have any questions or require any additional information, please let me know.

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TOWN OF WALLINGFORD **DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES** WATER AND SEWER DIVISIONS



ENGINEERING SECTION PHONE: 203-949-2672 Fax: 203-949-2678

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TO: **KEVIN PAGINI, TOWN PLANNER**

WALLINGFORD **PLANNING & ZONING**

FROM: SCOTT SHIPMAN, ENGINEER - WATER AND SEWER DIVISIONS

SUBJECT: APPLICATION #210-21 SITE PLAN – VEHICLE STORAGE FACILITY SIX RESEARCH, LLC **4A RESEARCH PARKWAY** APRIL 29, 2021

DATE:

CC: N. AMWAKE, PE; E KRUEGER; D. SULLIVAN; J. PAWLOWSK; K QUARTUCCIO, 6 RESEARCH, LLC; M. OTT, SUMMER HILL CIVIL ENGINEERS & LAND SURVEYORS, P.C.

The staff of the Water and Sewer Divisions has reviewed the drawings dated April 1, 2021 as submitted for the subject application and this memo consolidates their comments and requirements.

The entire site is within the watershed for MacKenzie Reservoir and is designated as a Watershed Protection District (WPD) by the Planning and Zoning Commission. Watershed protection regulations for the WPD are enumerated in section 4.13 of the Wallingford Zoning Regulations.

The proposed development as shown on the drawings includes a paved parking area and a vehicle storage building. Municipal water and sanitary sewer services are available at the site, but no water, sanitary sewer, or fire line services are proposed for the subject project per discussions with the owner.

It is requested that the following items be made conditions of approval to be addressed prior to issuing a building permit:

- Per discussions with the Applicant it is our understanding that no vehicle 1. maintenance or washing will be performed at the site. Please be advised that if such activities were proposed the discharge of vehicle maintenance and/or vehicle washing wastewater to a surface water (either directly or via a storm drain) or to the ground water (via a septic tank, leaching field, or drywell) or to the ground surface (paved or unpaved) would not be allowed.
- As mentioned above, the entire site for this development is in the Watershed 2. Therefore all activities on the site during and after Protection District. construction shall be carried out in accordance with the Water Protection District regulations in section 4.13 of the Zoning Regulations of the Town of Wallingford.
 - a. As such, a storm water treatment system will be required for treating the run-off from all parking lots and travel ways in the development. The details of the storm water treatment system, including hydraulic calculations and a hydraulic profile, must be reviewed and approved by the Wallingford Water Division. The storm water treatment system details submitted with the current plans are not sufficient for final approval.

- b. Runoff from unpaved, non-traffic areas such as lawns, wooded or natural areas and building roofs should be diverted away from the storm water treatment system.
- c. The storm water treatment system shall consist of an oil-water-grit separator followed by a sand filter which shall have a volume equal to the initial ½-inch to 1-inch of runoff for the tributary area with a minimum of 1-foot of freeboard above the maximum water elevation.
- d. It appears that the parking area tributary to the oil-water-grit separator is greater than 1 acre but less than 1-1/2 acres. Therefore, the oil-water-grit separator must have a nominal capacity of at least 1,500 gallons. The unit shown on the plans is only 1,250 gallons and is too small for the proposed tributary area.
- e. The sand filter basin requires a minimum 24-inch bed of sand. The 18inch sand bed shown is insufficient.
- f. If storage containers are proposed on the site they shall conform to the requirements of section 4.13.C of the Zoning regulations.
- g. No sodium chloride shall be used for ice control on the site.
- h. Upon conclusion of site work, the existing oil-water-grit separator (located on the 6 Research Parkway lot near the proposed construction entrance) should be cleaned out to remove any debris that may have accumulated during construction.
- 3. Erosion Controls:
 - a. Erosion controls and sediment barriers are critical for the protection of the public drinking water supply downstream of the site. Extreme care shall be used in the installation and maintenance of the erosion control systems for the duration of the project.
 - b. All erosion controls will be subject to the Water Division water quality inspectors review and approval prior to the start of site grading.
- 4. Site Operations and Maintenance Plan:
 - a. A site operations and maintenance plan shall be submitted for review and approval by the Wallingford Water Division.
 - b. The Water Division shall retain the right to sample the effluent of the storm water management system and have such samples analyzed by a State certified laboratory to determine if the runoff is in compliance with the cited water quality standards. Cost of such sampling and analysis shall be paid by the Owner for up to four samples at each treatment system per year.

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