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VIA BY EMAIL / HAND DELIVERY

Franklin Planning Board c/o Department of Public Works Building 257 Fisher Street Franklin, MA 02038 Attention: Anthony Padula, Chair

Re: Supplemental Filings for Pending Special Permits/Site Plan Application 164 Grove Street, Franklin, MA

Chair Padula,

My office represents NLCP 164 Grove Street MA LLC, a Massachusetts limited liability company ("Owner"), the property owner of the approximately 1.5 acre parcel of vacant land located at 164 Grove Street, Franklin, Massachusetts 02038 (Map 306, Lot 4) (the "Property") and PharmaCannis Massachusetts Inc., a Massachusetts corporation ("Licensee"). This letter is a follow up to our prior letters with submission materials to the Town of Franklin Planning Board (the "Board") dated June 29, 2020, August 21, 2020 and September 18, 2020 regarding certain special permits and site plan approval pertaining to the proposed co-location of the Non-Medical Marijuana Establishment and Medical Marijuana Treatment Facility at the Property, the use of a common driveway for access from Grove Street for more than 2 lots and special considerations as to impervious surface coverage due to the Property's location within the Water Resource Overlay District. The public hearing was opened on July 27, 2020 during which the Applicant provided an initial presentation, continued to August 24, 2020 at which the Applicant requested a further continuance without presentation, continued to September 14, 2020 during which the Applicant provided a substantive presentation responding to Board, staff and peer review comments, continued to September 28, 2020 during which the Applicant provided additional responses to Board, staff and peer review comments and has been continued to the Board's next meeting on October 19, 2020.

The following documents are provided in support of the Proposed Project as submitted in electronic form as well as hard copy:

- 1. Site Plans, prepared by Meridian Associates, dated May 8, 2020, as revised August 20, 2020, as revised August 28, 2020, as revised September 16, 2020, and as revised October 9, 2020, consisting of 10 sheets
 - a. 5 sets of 11" x 17" prints of site plan set



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b.

2 sets of 24" x 36" prints of site plan set (folded)

2. Response Letter to BETA prepared by Meridian Associates, dated August 20, 2020, as updated September 16, 2020, as updated October 9, 2020 - 2 color copies

For the above reasons, together with the prior letters, submission materials and testimony provided during public hearings, the Board should grant Owner and Licensee's requests for the Site Plan and the Special Permits for the Proposed Project. Please do not hesitate to reach out should you have any questions.

Sincerely

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Enclosures

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October 9, 2020

Mr. Anthony Padula, Chairman Franklin Planning Board 355 East Central Street Franklin, MA 02038

Re: 164 Grove Street Site Plan Peer Review Update

Dear Mr. Padula:

We have received the peer review letter from BETA Group, Inc. dated September 24, 2020 in regards to the revised documents for the proposed Site Plan Approval application, *"Permit Site Development Plans - 164 Grove Street, Franklin, Massachusetts"* and offer the following responses.

General Comments

- G1. Provide detail for proposed dumpster pad and enclosure (with screening). *MAI: A detail for the dumpster pad and enclosure has been added to the plan set, see Sheet C 5.1.* **BETA2: Details provided. BETA recommends that slats are provided for the chain link option, which is typically required by the Board.** *MAI2: Privacy slats have been added to the Dumpster Enclosure Detail.* **BETA3: Slats provided issue resolved.**
- G2. Confirm access rights and utility easements are being acquired from the adjacent property to the south. *MAI: Yes. We are in active discussions and negotiations with owner representative for Core Real Estate Holdings of 166 Grove Street as to mutually acceptable business terms and conditions to acquire the access rights and utility easements for the 164 Grove Street Project including the ability to address any improvements required to the access way by the Planning Board in connection with its review an consideration of the Special Permit for Shared Common Driveway. Attached are copies of the Deed into Core Real Estate Holdings as well as the existing Easement Agreement and plan between the owners of 166 Grove Street and 168 Grove Street concerning similar access and utility easements. BETA2: Information provided. BETA defers to the preference of the Board to require rights/easements as a condition of approval. <i>MAI2: MAI concurs, we are requesting that the Board require rights/easements as a condition of approval.* To date, the Applicant has reach agreement on business terms and conditions for the grant of easements for the shared common driveway and utility connections from the 166 Grove Street and 168 Grove Street property owners. **BETA3: No further comment.**
- G3. Clarify the disposition of the existing fences and gate surrounding the property. *MAI: The existing fence around the perimeter of the site, that is located within the property lines, is to be removed. Refer to Sheet C 1.0.* **BETA2: Clarification provided. It is anticipated that any fence removal outside of the property line will be coordinate with the ongoing access and easement negotiations – issue resolved.**



- G4. Recommend revising snow storage areas to maintain clear flow path within swale along the northerly property line. Consider providing additional snow storage along the southerly curb line. *MAI: The snow storage locations have been adjusted accordingly, refer to Sheet C 4.0.* **BETA2: Snow storage area revised issue resolved.**
- G5. Provide a note to indicate that tree species shall be from the Town of Franklin Best Development Practices Guidebook. Also confirm the proposed plantings meet this requirement. **BETA2: No response provided – issue remains outstanding.** *MAI: A note has been added to the landscaping plan. Additionally, the tree species have been updated and now specify trees that are listed in the Town of Franklin Best Development Practices Guidebook.* **BETA2: Note provided – issue resolved.**

Zoning

The Site is located within the Industrial (I) Zoning District and the Marijuana Use Overlay District. The proposed use of the Site is identified as Non-Medical Marijuana Retail Establishment. The proposed uses are allowed in the District via a Special Permit from the Planning Board.

Schedule of Lot, Area, Frontage, Yard and Height Requirements (§185 Attachment 9)

The project site will meet the requirements for lot area, frontage, lot depth, yards, height, and impervious coverage. The project does not meet the requirements for lot width; however, per §185-3 Lot Width C.(2) any lot shown on a recorded plan prior to May 21, 1998 is exempt from this definition. The Quitclaim Deed provided as part of the submission documents indicates the subject parcel is depicted on a plan of land recorded in the Norfolk Registry of Deeds, dated August 25, 1987 and is therefore exempt.

Parking, Loading and Driveway Requirements (§185-21)

The existing Site includes one access driveway from Grove Street to the west. The project proposes to remove this access route and construct two new paved access driveways (1 entrance, 1 exit) from the 166 Grove Street site to the south.

Section §185-21.B.(3) describes the number of parking spaces required for residential and nonresidential buildings in the Industrial Zoning District. The required parking for a retail use is one space per 200 sq. ft. of gross floor area plus one space per separate enterprise. For the proposed 4,150 sq. ft. building, the required parking is thus 21 spaces and a total of 66 spaces are proposed. With the understanding that retail marijuana uses have specific parking demands, additional commentary will be provided as part of the Traffic Review, to be provided under separate cover.

Proposed 90° parking spaces are depicted as 19' long and 9' wide. Proposed angled (60°) parking spaces are 18' long (usable stall) and 9' wide. Access route widths vary between 16 ft. and 24 ft, and all driveways are designated to be one-way. In accordance with Massachusetts Architectural Access Board (MAAB) requirements, four parking spaces have been designed to be handicap accessible, two of which are also van accessible.

In compliance with §185-21.C.(5), one tree must border the parking lot per every 10 parking spaces. A total of 31 trees, supplemented by shrubs, are proposed in the vicinity of the parking lot.



- P1. The angled parking layout conforms to industry standards; however, the usable stall length is only 18 feet. Revise the usable stall length to be 19 feet §185-21.C.(9)(a). *MAI: The length of the angled parking spaces has been revised accordingly, refer to Sheet C 2.0.* **BETA2: Stall length revised –** issue resolved.
- P2. The accessible route is located within the 24' driveway aisle and vehicles backing out of spaces will encroach into the striped walkway. Evaluate alternatives to eliminate pedestrian/vehicle conflicts. *MAI: The location of the accessible route from the parking spaces to the building was chosen as it provides the most visibility for drivers while circulating through the parking lot. Additionally, the drive aisle width in this location is twenty-four (24) feet wide thus providing a nineteen (19) foot wide aisle for vehicles in which to safely travel throughout the parking lot. BETA2: BETA notes that while the location of the accessible route is not ideal, there does not appear to be a practicable solution that does not require significant redesign of the site.*
- P3. Clarify if additional parking/site layouts have been evaluated, such as relocating the proposed building to the west end of the site and providing a continuous parking area. The current layout requires vehicles to circulate in a "figure 8" pattern with a number of vehicle conflict points. *MAI: Many layouts for the site were considered. Ultimately the layout selected was preferred to move any potential traffic congestion away from Grove Street. Parking count was maximized beyond the minimum requirements to help avoid customers waiting for parking spots, and it was preferable to avoid one large parking lot with long walks for store customers. In addition, the entrance and exits are aligned with the existing curb cuts on the southern side of the access drive. BETA2: Information provided refer to comment P4.*
- P4. Provide turning movements on Site Plan to demonstrate that passenger, delivery, and waste collection vehicles can safely maneuver throughout the site. It is anticipated that the Fire Chief will review turning movements for fire apparatus throughout the site. MAI: A turning monument sketch has been provided and is submitted as a part of this comment response letter. BETA2: Also provide a turning movement for the passenger vehicle making a right-hand turn into and around the easterly parking area to demonstrate there will be no conflicts with the other passenger vehicle movements at the entrance. BETA also recommends to evaluate if the waste collection vehicle can make turns to use the site exit instead of backing into the common driveway. MAI2: The additional passenger vehicle turning movement has been added to the Vehicle Movement Plan. It should be noted that the dumpsters use will be small roll away dumpsters and the can be moved to reduce the movement of the truck used to remove the dumpsters. BETA3: The turning movement plan indicates a conflict between vehicles and should be revised to show that the vehicles can safely move past each other. Consider increasing the radius on the northwest corner of the landscaped island at the site entrance to provide additional room for turning, if necessary. BETA notes that the waste collection vehicle will likely be required to back onto the private common driveway while exiting the site.
- MAI Response: The Vehicle Movement Plan has been revised to depict that there is no conflict between vehicles entering the site and vehicles turning right to exit the site.
- P5. Confirm the number of trees provided in the Plant Schedule (31) vs. the Landscape Table (10). *MAI: The number of trees and shrubs depicted on the plans and listed in the plant schedule are consistent.* **BETA2: The number of trees provided is adequate – issue dismissed.**



The project is located within the Industrial Zoning District and is not required to provide sidewalks along the street frontage. There are no existing sidewalks on Grove Street in proximity to the project.

Curbing (**§185-29)**

The project proposes the use of vertical granite curbing along paved areas.

SI1. Clarify limits of vertical granite curb as it relates to the concrete walkway. The Concrete Walkway Detail depicts monolithic concrete curb. *MAI: The limits of the types of curbing have been clarified, refer to Sheet C 2.0.* **BETA2: Clarification provided – issue resolved.**

Site Plan Review (§185-31)

The proposed development is subject to Site Plan Review and must comply with the requirements of this section.

- S1. Include abutting land uses and zoning information on the Locus Map (§185-31.C.(3)(d)). *MAI: The abutting land uses have been added to the plan set, refer to sheet CO.O.* **BETA2: Abutting land uses provided and it is understood that all abutting parcels are zoned as Industrial issue resolved.**
- S2. Provide photometric plan (§185-31.C.(3)(I)). MAI: A photometric plan has been added to the plan set, refer to sheet 6.0. BETA2: Plan provided indicating adequate illumination will be provided for safety and security. Expand limits of analysis to demonstrate there will be no nuisance or excessive light spillage onto adjacent properties in accordance with site plan and special permit review criteria. MAI2: The photometric plan has been revised to expand the limits of the analysis to demonstrate there is no nuisance or excessive light spillage onto adjacent properties. BETA3: The revised plan indicates minor spillage on the order of 0.01 to 0.02 foot-candles, the equivalent of moonlight, along portions of the northerly property line
- MAI Response: As indicated by BETA, the de minimis light spillage onto the adjacent property of 0.02 foot-candles is equivalent to that of the glow of moonlight, and is therefore does not negatively impact the adjacent property. As such modifications to the lighting plan should not be required.
- S3. Depict proposed limits of clearing on the plans, as applicable, including areas of existing vegetation to be retained (§185-31.C.(3)(u)). *MAI: The limit of clearing / limit of work is shown on the Site Plan, refer to Sheet C 2.0 of the plan set. It has also been added to Sheet C 1.0.* **BETA2: Information provided issue resolved.**

Screening (**§185-35)**

The project proposes outdoor parking for 10 or more cars, which must be screened from adjacent residential districts or uses from which they would otherwise be visible. The Site is surrounded by lots zoned as Industrial, and it does not appear that the project will be visible from any residential use; therefore, screening is likely unnecessary.



Water Resources District (§185-40)

The Site is partially located within the Water Resources District due to the presence of a Zone II Wellhead Protection Area. This portion of the Site includes the eastern parking lot and the majority of the proposed building.

- WR1. Clarify if the proposed sewer force main will connect to an off-site sewage disposal system or Town Sewer. If necessary, confirm the estimated sewage flow for the existing sewage disposal system will not exceed 110 gallons per 10,000 sq. ft. of lot area if located within the Water Resources District (§185-40.D.(1)(i)). MAI: The proposed wastewater will be directed to the Town of Franklin public sewer. Per Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection, Title V design standards, a retail store will produce approximately two hundred (200) gallons of wastewater per day. This assumes that public restrooms are available, however, at this site, the restrooms will not be available to the public so the flows should be far less. BETA2: Connection to Town sewer confirmed issue dismissed.
- WR2. Section §185-40.D.(1)(I)(ii)) requires that the proposed groundwater recharge efforts must be approved by a hydrogeologist; however, provided that the stormwater management system is revised to fully comply with the Massachusetts Stormwater Management Standards no adverse impacts to groundwater are anticipated as a result of the project. BETA defers to the preference of the Board to require approval by a hydrogeologist. *MAI*: **BETA2**: **No further comment.**
- WR3. Note that any fill placed in quantity greater than 15 yards must be certified in accordance with §185-40.E.(5). *MAI: MAI concurs with the above statement*. **BETA2: No further comment.**
- WR4. In conjunction with comment SW12, it is anticipated that minimal flow is directed from the project site to the paved area in proximity to DP2. BETA notes that to fully comply with (§185-40.E.(4)), all stormwater runoff from impervious surfaces must be recharged unless following consultation with, and approval from the Conservation Commission and the Building Inspector that recharge is determined to be infeasible. *MAI: This project will be submitted to the Conservation Commission for review and approval. Runoff from the impervious area that connects the site to the existing access road is di minimus in scale and should not have any adverse impacts to the adjacent properties. This is reflected in the stormwater calculations. Note that runoff from all of the other impervious surfaces is directed to an infiltration system that provides ground water recharge. BETA2: Information provided issue dismissed.*

Utilities

Proposed utilities include drainage, electric, sanitary sewer, and domestic water services. Detailed review of water and sewer utilities is anticipated to be provided by the DPW and Fire Chief (e.g. for fire hydrants), as applicable.

U1. Provide a note that all water and sewer utility installations shall be done in accordance with the Town of Franklin Department of Public Works Standards for Sewer and Water Materials and Installation (Town Standards). Also note that where utility installation details conflict with the Town Standards that the Town Standards shall govern. *MAI: The above requested note has been added to the plan set, refer to Sheets C 2.0 and C 3.0. Notes have been added that show where utility*



installation details conflict with the Town Standards that the Town Standards shall govern. **BETA2: Note provided – issue resolved.**

- U2. Provide size and material information for proposed sewer force main and water line(s). *MAI: The size and materials of the sewer and water lines have been added to the plan set, refer to Sheet C 3.0.* **BETA2: Information provided. In accordance with Town Specifications, revise material of water service line to copper if length is 100 feet or less (corporation stop to curb stop and curb stop to building) and HDPE otherwise.** *MAI2: The water line has been revised to be copper.* **BETA3:** Material revised issue resolved.
- U3. Indicate how water for fire protection will be supplied, if at all. *MAI: There is no Automated Fire Sprinkler system. Per applicable State* & Local Codes (IBC 2015 and CMR 780-9-903 local amendment, Automated Fire Sprinklers are not required for Group M and B occupancy under 12,000 sf and under 3 stories. Proposed building area is 3,930 sf and this is a one-story building. **BETA2: Information provided – issue dismissed.**
- U4. Confirm the proposed solar lighting is capable of providing adequate illumination for the site throughout the night during adverse conditions (e.g. multiple cloudy/rainy days). *MAI: The solar area lights have an electronic smart controller that stores energy and adjusts light output for optimal performance up to 14 days. Light levels will be maintained per IES recommendations as shown on the attached photometric plan.* **BETA2: Information provided issue resolved.**

Stormwater Management

The project proposes to direct runoff from impervious areas into a new subsurface infiltration system via catch basin connections and proprietary water quality units (Contech CDS). Overflows from the proposed infiltration system will be directed into a low-lying basin area on the eastern side of the lot.

General

- SW1. As part of the MS4 regulations, the Town is proposing revisions to Chapter 153, Stormwater Management. Once the revisions are approved (date not yet determined) they will be applicable to any project that is subject to the Bylaw and has not yet been approved. BETA recommends the designer review the proposed Bylaw revisions to evaluate if additional stormwater provisions or treatment may be required. *MAI: MAI has reviewed the proposed bylaw revisions and has made changes to the design as required.* BETA2: Information provided to demonstrate compliance with future requirements issue resolved.
- SW2. Provide a stamped Stormwater Management Checklist. *MAI: A stamped Stormwater Management Checklist has been provided in the stormwater report.* BETA2: Checklist provided. Clarify reference to project being covered by the NPDES Multi-Sector General Permit, as the proposed use is not an industrial activity. The checklist should also reference that the project is located in a watershed with a TMDL (Charles River), has soils with rapid infiltration rates, and involves runoff from land uses with higher potential pollutant loads (>1,000 trips per traffic report). *MAI2: The checklist has been revised accordingly.* BETA3: Checklist revised issue resolved.
- SW3. Revise proposed HDPE pipe to be RCP. Where cover is less than 42" provide Class V RCP (§300-11.B.(2)(a)). BETA notes that with a waiver request, the Board may consider allowing the use of the 4" HDPE overflow from the subsurface infiltration system. MAI: A waiver has been requested from (§300-11.B.(2)(a)) to allow for a HDPE pipe, refer to Sheet C 0.0. HDPE is used industry wide where



cover over the pipe is in excess of twenty-four (24) inches. BETA2: Waiver request provided; however, BETA notes that to date the Board has not granted this waiver on previous projects except for short connections directly to subsurface infiltration systems. *MAI2: We will continue to request the waiver. We note that should the waiver not be granted, then the pipe will be constructed of RCP.* BETA3: BETA recommends for the Board to discuss their preference for pipe material.

- MAI Response: Except for the 6" emergency overflow outlet from the infiltration system, all stormwater pipe has been revised to show RCP, and therefore, the waiver request has been withdrawn.
- SW4. In coordination with the Town, provide an easement for the existing outfall at the northwest end of the site. *MAI: An easement for the town at the headwall has been depicted graphically on the plan set, refer to Sheet C 2.0.* **BETA2: Easement provided. BETA defers any additional comment to the DPW.**
- SW5. Revise the diameter of the proposed catch basins to a minimum of 5 feet to accommodate the proposed double grates. *MAI: The diameter of the catch basins have been revised accordingly, refer to Sheet C 5.0.* **BETA2: Diameter revised issue resolved.**
- SW6. Consider providing periodic check dams in the northerly swale to minimize flow velocities and promote infiltration. *MAI: Check dams have been added to the plan set, refer to Sheet C 2.0.* **BETA2:** Check dams provided issue resolved.
- SW7. Clarify where the Typical Level Spreader is proposed. *MAI: The location of the level spreader has been added to the plan set, refer to Sheet 2.0.* **BETA2: Clarification provided issue resolved.**
- SW7A. Revise the infiltration system overflow size on the plan from 4" to 6" to match the current HydroCAD model.

MAI Response: The site plans were revised accordingly.

Massachusetts Stormwater Management Standards:

The proposed development will disturb greater than one acre and is subject to Chapter 153: Stormwater Management of the Town of Franklin Bylaws and MassDEP Stormwater Management Standards.

No untreated stormwater (Standard Number 1): *No new stormwater conveyances (e.g., outfalls) may discharge untreated stormwater directly to or cause erosion in wetlands or waters of the Commonwealth.*

The project does not propose any new untreated stormwater discharges to wetlands. An outfall is proposed from the subsurface infiltration system which discharges to a low-lying area. A riprap apron is proposed for erosion control.

SW8. Although the existing outfall at the northwest corner of the site is not the responsibility of the project proponent, it is recommended to provide a rip rap pad at the outlet. *MAI: A rip rap pad has been added to the existing outfall pipe, refer to Sheet C 2.0.* **BETA2: Rip rap pad provided – issue resolved.**



Post-development peak discharge rates (Standard Number 2): Stormwater management systems must be designed so that post-development peak discharge rates do not exceed pre-development peak discharge rates.

The project proposes an increase in impervious area and will use subsurface infiltration systems to mitigate increases in post-development peak discharge rates and total runoff volumes.

- SW9. Provide summary table comparing pre-development and post-development runoff volumes. Runoff volumes may not increase per §300-11.A.(3) and the Best Development Practices Guidebook. MAI: A summary table comparing pre-development and post-develop runoff volumes has been added to the stormwater management report. BETA2: Table provided indicating a reduction in peak runoff volume issue resolved.
- SW10. Revise HydroCAD model to include subwatershed SC100, as depicted on the Post-Development Drainage Plan, and show the boundary between Watershed SC100 and SC200. *MAI: The HydroCAD model has been revised to exclude subwatershed SC100 and instead shows the eastern and western parking lots as subcatchment 200, which flows to the subsurface infiltration basin. Subwatershed SC101 is the runoff that is directed to Design Point #1.* **BETA2: Information provided – issue resolved.**
- SW11. Label the Post-Development subwatershed located in the south-central portion of the Site. *MAI: The Post-Development subwatershed located in the south-central portion of the site has been added on the drainage maps.* **BETA2: Information provided issue resolved.**
- SW12. Based on a review of the site there appears to be a low-lying area on the east of the site in proximity to DP2. Additional spot grades from the initial survey should be provided on the plan to clarify this topography and if the low area is confirmed it should be included in the HydroCAD model as a pond. *MAI: The above referenced low-lying area is actually an elevated mound, not a depression, therefore there was no need to modify the HydroCAD model.* **BETA2: BETA revisited the site and confirmed that the referenced mound (approx. 6" to 1' high near the abutting Planet Fitness property line refer to attached sketch) is likely to impound water and will minimize any flow directed to the adjacent site issue remains outstanding.** *MAI2: The existing earth berm near the Planet Fitness has been modeled in HydroCAD. The calculations show that this berm does retain and reduce the runoff onto Planet Fitness. In Proposed conditions, a depression is proposed to mimic the functionality of the earthen berm. With that said, the HydroCAD calculations have been revised accordingly and the calculations still show a reduction in the peak rate of runoff as well as a reduction in volume from existing conditions to proposed conditions. BETA3: Existing impoundment included in HydroCAD model issue resolved.*
- SW13. Recommend including the proposed infiltration overflow area in the HydroCAD model as an additional infiltration area. MAI: This area is likely to be used as a wetland replication area and vegetated with wetland species. It is anticipated that this area will provide infiltration, but it is not being modeled as such, therefore revisions to the HydroCAD model have not been made. BETA2: Information provided. In conjunction with comment SW12, the designer should demonstrate that the proposed overflow area provides an equivalent or greater storage volume than the existing impoundment, as the flow from the Town system is not included in the stormwater model. MAI2: The existing earth berm near the Planet Fitness has been modeled in HydroCAD. The calculations show that this berm does retain and reduce the runoff onto Planet Fitness. In Proposed conditions, a depression is proposed to mimic the functionality of the earthen berm. With that said, the



HydroCAD calculations have been revised accordingly and the calculations still show a reduction in the peak rate of runoff as well as a reduction in volume from existing conditions to proposed conditions. BETA3: BETA compared the volumes of the existing and proposed impoundments and notes that additional storage volume will be provided in the proposed conditions. Additionally, BETA compared the flow rates and volumes directed to the impoundments and found they will be reduced in the proposed conditions – issue resolved.

- SW14. Revise limits of watershed SC101. Based on the proposed grading, the majority of this area will drain to the western parking area (Design Point 2) instead of Design Point 1. *MAI: The limits of watershed SC101 have been revised accordingly.* **BETA2: Watershed limits revised issue resolved.**
- SW15. Clarify how roof runoff will be conveyed. Consider providing a direct connection from the roof leaders to the subsurface infiltration system. *MAI: Downspouts will be directed to a closed underground piping system that will connect directly to the 12" manifold at the subsurface infiltration basin.* BETA2: Direction connection provided issue resolved.
- SW15A. The new impervious area associated with the widened driveway has not been included in the HydroCAD model and the designer has asserted that this flow is directed to treatment train consisting of deep sump catch basins, sediment forebays, and detention basins, which will provide the required treatment and attenuations. BETA requests that record plans of the existing drainage system as well as photographic evidence that the existing system is maintained and functioning as designed be provided.
- MAI Response: The design plans and site photographs of the stormwater management system for 166 Grove Street, Planet Fitness, have been provided and are attached as a part of this response letter. As a condition of Planning Board approval, the Applicant agrees to incorporate into its easement agreement with the Owner of 166 Grove Street an obligation to clean out the storm water system prior to the issuance of a certificate of occupancy for the Pharmacann Project, to ensure proper treatment of any runoff created from the minor increase in pavement on the common driveway.

Recharge to groundwater (Standard Number 3): Loss of annual recharge to groundwater should be minimized through the use of infiltration measures to maximum extent practicable.

NRCS maps indicate the presence of Sudbury fine sandy loam, rated in hydrologic soil group (HSG) B, primarily at the site. A small area of Merrimac fine sandy loam (HSG A) is depicted along the west side of the site near Grove Street. The infiltration systems have been designed to provide a recharge volume in excess of that required.

- SW16. Clarify the Schematic Plan View of the Subsurface Infiltration Facility Details to indicate it is a typical layout and the dimensions are 20 rows of 11 chambers. Revise detail name, as necessary, to reflect the number of systems proposed. *MAI: The details of the Subsurface Infiltration Facility details have been revised accordingly, refer to Sheet C 5.0.* **BETA2: Details revised issue resolved.**
- SW17. The proposed bottom of the infiltration system is at elevation 250.30 and will not provide the required 2' minimum separation to groundwater based upon the soils analysis for Test Pit 2 (ESHGW @ 251.5). MAI: The bottom elevation of the infiltration basin is two (2) feet above the groundwater encountered in Test Pit #1 (248.3), which is located adjacent to the infiltration system. BETA2: Information provided which indicates the eastern side of the proposed infiltration system



has the required 2' separation to groundwater; however, the groundwater profile created by the additional test pit information cannot be discounted for the remainder of the system. Either revise the system to provide the required 2' separation throughout the system based on the groundwater profile or provide an additional test pit at the western side of the proposed system to demonstrate a consistent groundwater elevation. *MAI2: A confirmatory test pit can be dug in the western portion of the infiltration system prior to construction to confirm the groundwater elevations. If that test pit depicts a higher than anticipated groundwater elevation, modifications to the drainage system will be made at such time.* BETA3: In consideration that the entire stormwater system design is contingent on this subsurface infiltration system and that it is anticipated that additional test pit information will indicate a groundwater table within 2 feet of the infiltration system, BETA recommends for the issue to be resolved at this time.

- MAI Response: On October 9, 2020 an additional test pit was performed by a Registered Soil Evaluator and a Professional Engineer, at the western edge of the infiltration system. The test pit log and location are shown on the Record Conditions and Demolition Plan. The results show that there will be greater than a two (2) foot separation to groundwater, therefore modifications to the stormwater design are not required.
- SW18. Revise the top elevation of the stone in the infiltration system on the Cross-Section detail to be consistent with other elevations. *MAI: The top elevation of the stone in the infiltration system has been revised accordingly, refer to Sheet C 5.0.* **BETA2: Elevation revised issue resolved.**
- SW19. Provide mounding analysis for proposed infiltration systems as separation to groundwater is less than 4 feet. *MAI: Mounting calculations have been provided in the stormwater management report.* **BETA2: Analysis provided issue resolved.**
- SW20. Test pit data indicates pockets of sandy loam within the C layer of coarse sand and gravel, which are more restrictive than the design exfiltration rate of 8.27 in/hr. Provide additional clarification to justify the design exfiltration rate or lower the rate, if appropriate. *MAI: Per the Subsurface Infiltration Detail on sheet C 5.0, there is a note that states that all unsuitable materials are to be removed five (5) feet in all directions from around the proposed infiltration system, this includes the sandy loam.* **BETA2: Information provided issue resolved.**

80% TSS Removal (Standard Number 4): For new development, stormwater management systems must be designed to remove 80% of the annual load of Total Suspended Solids.

The project proposes to direct runoff from new impervious areas to a treatment train consisting of deep sump catch basins with hoods, proprietary water quality units (Contech CDS), and a subsurface infiltration system. Calculations are provided that demonstrate the required 80% TSS removal and 1" Water Quality Volume can be provided with the deep sump catch basin and infiltration basin treatment train.

Higher Potential Pollutant Loads (Standard Number 5): *Stormwater discharges from Land Uses with Higher Potential Pollutant Loads require the use of specific stormwater management BMP's.*

SW21. Provide the total number of estimated trips per day for the site. If the number exceeds 1,000 the site is considered a high-intensity-use parking area and is therefore LUHPPL. MAI: The site will generate, on average 800 - 1,000 trips per day and is therefore is not considered a LUHPPL. BETA2: The traffic report indicates the daily trips are 1,050; therefore, the site is considered a LUHPPL.



BETA notes this classification is not anticipated to require any stormwater modifications. *MAI2: MAI concurs with the above statement.* **BETA3: No further comment.**

Critical Areas (Standard Number 6): *Stormwater discharges to critical areas must utilize certain stormwater management BMP's approved for critical areas.*

The project includes discharges to a Zone II Wellhead Protection Area, a critical area, and 44% pretreatment is required prior to infiltration. The proposed treatment trains are consistent with the recommendations of MassDEP for discharges to Zone II wellhead protection areas.

- SW22. Revise narrative to correctly indicate the presence of a critical area. *MAI: The narrative has been revised accordingly.* **BETA2: Narrative revised issue resolved.**
- SW23. Provide calculation based upon MassDEP's "Standard Method to Convert Required Water Quality Volume to a Discharge Rate for Sizing Flow Based Manufactured Proprietary Stormwater Treatment Practices" to demonstrate the Contech Structures are capable of treating the calculated discharge rate and will remove a minimum of 44% TSS prior to infiltration. *MAI: MAI has reached out to Contech to obtain the documentation required that demonstrates that the Contech structures are capable of treating the calculated discharge rate and will remove a minimum of 44% TSS prior to infiltration. That documentation can be found in the Appendix of this report. BETA2: The provided information does not appear to show the DEP calculated water quality flow rate compared to the maximum treatment rate provided by the Contech unit issue remains outstanding. <i>MAI2: DEP calculated water quality flow rates compared to the maximum treatment rate provided*. BETA3: BETA calculated the required water quality flow rate per DEP guidance (0.98 cfs) and determined it is less than the provided treatment capacity of the Contech unit (1.4 cfs) issue resolved.

Redevelopment (Standard Number 7): *Redevelopment of previously developed sites must meet the Stormwater Management Standards to the maximum extent practicable.*

The project does not qualify as redevelopment – not applicable.

SW24. Revise narrative to remove references to "70 Frank Mossberg Drive" and that the project qualifies as a redevelopment. *MAI: The narrative has been revised accordingly.* **BETA2: Narrative revised – issue resolved.**

Construction Period Erosion and Sediment Controls (Standard Number 8): *Erosion and sediment controls must be implemented to prevent impacts during construction or land disturbance activities.*

The project as currently depicted will disturb greater than one acre of land; therefore, a Notice of Intent with EPA and a Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP) is required. The project plans indicate the use of a stabilized construction entrance, silt sacks, and perimeter erosion controls (Filtermitt).

- SW25. Provide perimeter controls along the southwestern border of the Site (e.g. where existing flows are directed to DP1). *MAI: Perimeter erosion controls have been added to the plan set, refer to Sheets C* 1.0 and C 2.0. **BETA2: Perimeter controls provided issue resolved.**
- SW26. Revise Temporary Stabilized Construction Entrance Detail to be a continuous width of 20 feet as depicted on the Layout, Grading, and Erosion Control Plan. *MAI: The temporary Stabilized*



Construction Entrance Detail has been revised to be a continuous width of 20 feet. **BETA2: Detail revised – issue resolved.**

Operations/maintenance plan (Standard Number 9): A Long-Term Operation and Maintenance Plan shall be developed and implemented to ensure that stormwater management systems function as designed.

A Long-Term Operation and Maintenance (O&M) Plan has been provided.

- SW27. Provide long-term maintenance measures for catch basins and Contech water quality units. *MAI: The Operation and Maintenance Plan has been revised accordingly.* **BETA2: Information provided –** *issue resolved.*
- SW28. Provide a plan that shows the location of all stormwater BMP's as part of the O&M Plan. *MAI: A plan that depicts the stormwater BMP's has been added to the O&M Plan.* **BETA2: Plan provided issue resolved.**
- SW29. Provide an estimated O&M budget. *MAI: An estimated O&M Budget will be provided prior to construction.* **BETA2: To avoid a condition of approval that would require this information to be provided in the future, it is recommended to estimate the O&M budget at this time with the understanding that it can be modified prior to construction, if necessary.** *MAI2: An estimated annual budget of \$90,000 \$95,000 has been added to the O&M.* **BETA3: Information provided issue resolved.**

Illicit Discharges (Standard Number 10): All illicit discharges to the stormwater management systems are prohibited.

The Stormwater Management Report indicates that no illicit discharges are proposed, and a signed Illicit Discharge Compliance Statement will be provided prior to construction.

SW30. Provide a signature on the Illicit Discharge Compliance Statement. *MAI: A signature has been added to the Illicit Discharge Compliance Statement.* **BETA2: Signature provided – issue resolved.**

Please feel free to call with any questions.

Sincerely,

MERIDIAN ASSOCIATES, INC.

David S. Kelley, P.E.

Senior Project Manager

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PERMIT SITE DEVELOPMENT PLANS

(TO ACCOMPANY A SITE PLAN REVIEW APPLICATION, ZONING APPROVAL APPLICATION & NOTICE OF INTENT)

FRANKLIN, MASSACHUSETTS DATE: MAY 18, 2020 REVISED: AUGUST 20, 2020 REVISED: AUGUST 28, 2020 REVISED: SEPTEMBER 16, 2020

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OWNER/APPLICANT: NLCP 164 GROVE STREET MA, LLC C/O NEWLAKE CAPITAL

549 W. RANDOLPH, SUITE 200 CHICAGO, IL 60661

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NEW CONSTRUCTION OF **RETAIL CANNABIS** DISPENSARY

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	(SEE NOTE 6)	



Plant Species (Latin Name)	Spacing	Size	Quantity
Carex Iurida	1-2' O.C., Clustered	2" plug	144
Scirpus cyperinus	1-2' O.C., Clustered	2" plug	144
Schoenophlechus pungens	1-2' O.C., Clustered	2" plug	144
Eupatorium maculatum/purpureum	1-2' O.C., Clustered	2" plug	144
Aster novae-angliae	1-2' O.C., Clustered	2" plug	144
Juncus Effusus	1-2' O.C., Clustered	2" plug	144
Lobelia siphilitica	1-2' O.C., Clustered	2" plug	144
Lobelia cardinalis	1-2' O.C., Clustered	2" plug	144
		Total	1,152

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10	AC	Amelanchier canadensis	Shadblow Serviceberry	6'-8' Ht. B&B	BR N ST White Birds Showy Edible Fruit Fall Color April-May		
4	СС	Crataegus crus-galli var. inermis	Thornless Cockspur Hawthorn	3"-3.5" Cal. B&B	DT ST Thornless Variety White Flowers Red Fruit		
3	JV	Juniperus virginiana	Eastern Red Cedar	6'-8' Ht. B&B	BR DR DT N ST Blueish/Black Fruit Wildlife Evergreen		
1	PG	Picea glauca	White Spruce	6'-8' Ht. B&B	DR DT N ST Wildlife Evergreen		
2	PP	Picea pungens	Colorado Blue Spruce	6'-8' Ht. B&B	DR DT ST Blueish Showy Evergreen		
6	PV	Prunus virginiana	Chokecherry	2"-3" Cal. B&B	DT N ST Showy Red Fruit Color Wildlife		
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12	LB	Lindera benzoin	Northern Spicebush	24"-30" Ht. B&B	BR DR DT N ST 36" OC Yellow Birds Fall Color		
25	IG	Ilex glabra 'Shamrock'	Shamrock inkberry	24"-30" Ht. B&B	BR DR DT N ST 36" OC Greenish-White Birds Evergreen May-June		
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Motion sensing capabilities optimize performance based on usage

Easy-to-use interface via iOS smartphone app Configure and control lighting profiles Adjust dusk and dawn thresholds Motion sensing capabilities optimize performance based on usage

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Contact FLT for help choosing the right lighting profile
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SITE DETAILS





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October 14, 2020

Mr. Anthony Padula, Chairman Franklin Planning Board 355 East Central Street Franklin, MA 02038

Re: 164 Grove Street Site Plan Peer Review Update

Dear Mr. Padula:

BETA Group, Inc. has reviewed revised documents for the proposed Site Plan Approval application, *"Permit Site Development Plans - 164 Grove Street, Franklin, Massachusetts."* This letter is provided to update findings, comments, and recommendations.

BASIS OF REVIEW

BETA received the following items:

- Site Plan & Special Permit Application, including the following:
 - Cover Letter
 - Application for Approval of a Site Plan and Special Permits
 - Exhibit 5: Special Permit Findings
 - o Form P
 - Certificate of Ownership
 - Filing Fees
- Plans (10 Sheets) entitled *Permit Site Development Plans* dated May 5, 2020, revised October 9, 2020 and prepared by Meridian Associates of Beverly, MA.
- **Stormwater Analysis and Calculations**, dated May 8, 2020, revised September 16, 2020, and prepared by Meridian Associates of Beverly, MA.

Review by BETA will include the above items along with the following, as applicable:

- Site Visit
- Zoning Chapter 185 From the Code of the Town of Franklin, current through October 2019
- Zoning Map of the Town of Franklin, Massachusetts, attested to April 30, 2019
- Stormwater Management Chapter 153 From the Code of the Town of Franklin, Adopted May 2, 2007
- Subdivision Regulations Chapter 300 From the Code of the Town of Franklin, current through January 1, 2016
- Wetlands Protection Chapter 181 From the Code of the Town of Franklin, dated August 20, 1997
- Town of Franklin Best Development Practices Guidebook, dated September 2016

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INTRODUCTION

The project site consists of 164 Grove Street, a vacant lot developed with a small cleared area and gravel driveway (the "Site"). The parcel contains an area of 1.5 Acres and is located along the eastern side of Grove Street. The Town of Franklin Assessor's Office identifies the parcel as Map 306 Lot 4. The Site and all surrounding properties are located within the Industrial Zoning District.

The existing Site includes a gravel driveway connecting to Grove Street which extends into the center of the Site. This central area is an undeveloped area surrounded by small trees. A bar gate located along the driveway restricts access into the Site. A chain link fence connects to this gate and surrounds the perimeter of the Site. Topography at the Site is generally sloped towards the east, and grades are typically 4% or flatter with the exception of several steeper areas (10% +/-) on the western side of the Site.

The Applicant proposes to remove the existing fence, driveway, and vegetation and construct a new 4,150 sq. ft. Non-Medical Marijuana Retail Establishment. Associated site developments will include two new paved parking lots, two driveway aprons connecting to the existing driveway to the south, grading, utilities (water, sewer, underground electric), lighting, and landscaping. Stormwater management is proposed through deep sump catch basins, water quality units, and a subsurface infiltration system.

A portion of the project is located within an approved wellhead protection area (Zone II) and therefore the Water Resource District. No wetland resource areas are depicted within the project limits; however, the northeastern portion of the site is shown to be within the 100-foot buffer zone. The project is not located within a FEMA mapped 100-year flood zone or a NHESP mapped estimated habitat area of rare or endangered species. NRCS maps primarily indicate the presence of Sudbury fine sandy loam, rated in hydrologic soil group (HSG) B, at the site. A small area of Merrimac fine sandy loam (HSG A) is depicted along the west side of the site near Grove Street.

FINDINGS, COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

GENERAL COMMENTS

- G1. Provide detail for proposed dumpster pad and enclosure (with screening). *MAI: A detail for the dumpster pad and enclosure has been added to the plan set, see Sheet C 5.1.* **BETA2: Details provided. BETA recommends that slats are provided for the chain link option, which is typically required by the Board.** *MAI2: Privacy slats have been added to the Dumpster Enclosure Detail.* **BETA3: Slats provided issue resolved.**
- G2. Confirm access rights and utility easements are being acquired from the adjacent property to the south. *MAI: Yes. We are in active discussions and negotiations with owner representative for Core Real Estate Holdings of 166 Grove Street as to mutually acceptable business terms and conditions to acquire the access rights and utility easements for the 164 Grove Street Project including the ability to address any improvements required to the access way by the Planning Board in connection with its review an consideration of the Special Permit for Shared Common Driveway. Attached are copies of the Deed into Core Real Estate Holdings as well as the existing Easement Agreement and plan between the owners of 166 Grove Street and 168 Grove Street concerning similar access and utility easements. BETA2: Information provided. BETA defers to the preference of the Board to require rights/easements as a condition of approval. <i>MAI2: MAI concurs, we are requesting that the Board require rights/easements as a condition of approval.*



date, the Applicant has reach agreement on business terms and conditions for the grant of easements for the shared common driveway and utility connections from the 166 Grove Street and 168 Grove Street property owners. **BETA3: No further comment.**

- G3. Clarify the disposition of the existing fences and gate surrounding the property. *MAI: The existing fence around the perimeter of the site, that is located within the property lines, is to be removed. Refer to Sheet C 1.0.* **BETA2: Clarification provided. It is anticipated that any fence removal outside of the property line will be coordinate with the ongoing access and easement negotiations – issue resolved.**
- G4. Recommend revising snow storage areas to maintain clear flow path within swale along the northerly property line. Consider providing additional snow storage along the southerly curb line. *MAI: The snow storage locations have been adjusted accordingly, refer to Sheet C 4.0.* **BETA2:** Snow storage area revised issue resolved.
- G5. Provide a note to indicate that tree species shall be from the Town of Franklin Best Development Practices Guidebook. Also confirm the proposed plantings meet this requirement. **BETA2: No response provided – issue remains outstanding.** *MAI: A note has been added to the landscaping plan. Additionally, the tree species have been updated and now specify trees that are listed in the Town of Franklin Best Development Practices Guidebook.* **BETA2: Note provided – issue resolved.**

ZONING

The Site is located within the Industrial (I) Zoning District and the Marijuana Use Overlay District. The proposed use of the Site is identified as Non-Medical Marijuana Retail Establishment. The proposed uses are allowed in the District via a Special Permit from the Planning Board.

SCHEDULE OF LOT, AREA, FRONTAGE, YARD AND HEIGHT REQUIREMENTS (§185 ATTACHMENT 9)

The project site will meet the requirements for lot area, frontage, lot depth, yards, height, and impervious coverage. The project does not meet the requirements for lot width; however, per §185-3 Lot Width C.(2) any lot shown on a recorded plan prior to May 21, 1998 is exempt from this definition. The Quitclaim Deed provided as part of the submission documents indicates the subject parcel is depicted on a plan of land recorded in the Norfolk Registry of Deeds, dated August 25, 1987 and is therefore exempt.

PARKING, LOADING AND DRIVEWAY REQUIREMENTS (§185-21)

The existing Site includes one access driveway from Grove Street to the west. The project proposes to remove this access route and construct two new paved access driveways (1 entrance, 1 exit) from the 166 Grove Street site to the south.

Section §185-21.B.(3) describes the number of parking spaces required for residential and nonresidential buildings in the Industrial Zoning District. The required parking for a retail use is one space per 200 sq. ft. of gross floor area plus one space per separate enterprise. For the proposed 4,150 sq. ft. building, the required parking is thus 21 spaces and a total of 66 spaces are proposed. With the understanding that retail marijuana uses have specific parking demands, additional commentary will be provided as part of the Traffic Review, to be provided under separate cover.

Proposed 90° parking spaces are depicted as 19' long and 9' wide. Proposed angled (60°) parking spaces are 18' long (usable stall) and 9' wide. Access route widths vary between 16 ft. and 24 ft, and all driveways are designated to be one-way. In accordance with Massachusetts Architectural Access Board (MAAB)



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requirements, four parking spaces have been designed to be handicap accessible, two of which are also van accessible.

In compliance with §185-21.C.(5), one tree must border the parking lot per every 10 parking spaces. A total of 31 trees, supplemented by shrubs, are proposed in the vicinity of the parking lot.

- P1. The angled parking layout conforms to industry standards; however, the usable stall length is only 18 feet. Revise the usable stall length to be 19 feet §185-21.C.(9)(a). *MAI: The length of the angled parking spaces has been revised accordingly, refer to Sheet C 2.0.* **BETA2: Stall length revised issue resolved.**
- P2. The accessible route is located within the 24' driveway aisle and vehicles backing out of spaces will encroach into the striped walkway. Evaluate alternatives to eliminate pedestrian/vehicle conflicts. MAI: The location of the accessible route from the parking spaces to the building was chosen as it provides the most visibility for drivers while circulating through the parking lot. Additionally, the drive aisle width in this location is twenty-four (24) feet wide thus providing a nineteen (19) foot wide aisle for vehicles in which to safely travel throughout the parking lot. BETA2: BETA notes that while the location of the accessible route is not ideal, there does not appear to be a practicable solution that does not require significant redesign of the site.
- P3. Clarify if additional parking/site layouts have been evaluated, such as relocating the proposed building to the west end of the site and providing a continuous parking area. The current layout requires vehicles to circulate in a "figure 8" pattern with a number of vehicle conflict points. *MAI: Many layouts for the site were considered. Ultimately the layout selected was preferred to move any potential traffic congestion away from Grove Street. Parking count was maximized beyond the minimum requirements to help avoid customers waiting for parking spots, and it was preferable to avoid one large parking lot with long walks for store customers. In addition, the entrance and exits are aligned with the existing curb cuts on the southern side of the access drive.* **BETA2: Information provided refer to comment P4.**
- P4. Provide turning movements on Site Plan to demonstrate that passenger, delivery, and waste collection vehicles can safely maneuver throughout the site. It is anticipated that the Fire Chief will review turning movements for fire apparatus throughout the site. MAI: A turning monument sketch has been provided and is submitted as a part of this comment response letter. BETA2: Also provide a turning movement for the passenger vehicle making a right-hand turn into and around the easterly parking area to demonstrate there will be no conflicts with the other passenger vehicle movements at the entrance. BETA also recommends to evaluate if the waste collection vehicle can make turns to use the site exit instead of backing into the common driveway. MAI2: The additional passenger vehicle turning movement has been added to the Vehicle Movement Plan. It should be noted that the dumpsters use will be small roll away dumpsters and the can be moved to reduce the movement of the truck used to remove the dumpsters. BETA3: The turning movement plan indicates a conflict between vehicles and should be revised to show that the vehicles can safely move past each other. Consider increasing the radius on the northwest corner of the landscaped island at the site entrance to provide additional room for turning, if necessary. BETA notes that the waste collection vehicle will likely be required to back onto the private common driveway while exiting the site. MAI3: The Vehicle Movement Pln has been revised to depict that there is no conflict between vehicles entering the site and vehicles turning right to exit the site. BETA4: Plan revised to confirm there are no conflicts with passenger vehicles circulating the site - issue resolved.



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P5. Confirm the number of trees provided in the Plant Schedule (31) vs. the Landscape Table (10). *MAI: The number of trees and shrubs depicted on the plans and listed in the plant schedule are consistent.* **BETA2: The number of trees provided is adequate – issue dismissed.**

SIDEWALKS (§185-28)

The project is located within the Industrial Zoning District and is not required to provide sidewalks along the street frontage. There are no existing sidewalks on Grove Street in proximity to the project.

CURBING (§185-29)

The project proposes the use of vertical granite curbing along paved areas.

SI1. Clarify limits of vertical granite curb as it relates to the concrete walkway. The Concrete Walkway Detail depicts monolithic concrete curb. *MAI: The limits of the types of curbing have been clarified, refer to Sheet C 2.0.* **BETA2: Clarification provided – issue resolved.**

SITE PLAN REVIEW (§185-31)

The proposed development is subject to Site Plan Review and must comply with the requirements of this section.

- S1. Include abutting land uses and zoning information on the Locus Map (§185-31.C.(3)(d)). *MAI: The abutting land uses have been added to the plan set, refer to sheet CO.O.* **BETA2: Abutting land uses provided and it is understood that all abutting parcels are zoned as Industrial issue resolved.**
- S2. Provide photometric plan (§185-31.C.(3)(I)). MAI: A photometric plan has been added to the plan set, refer to sheet 6.0. BETA2: Plan provided indicating adequate illumination will be provided for safety and security. Expand limits of analysis to demonstrate there will be no nuisance or excessive light spillage onto adjacent properties in accordance with site plan and special permit review criteria. MAI2: The photometric plan has been revised to expand the limits of the analysis to demonstrate there is no nuisance or excessive light spillage onto adjacent properties. BETA3: The revised plan indicates minor spillage on the order of 0.01 to 0.02 footcandles, the equivalent of moonlight, along portions of the northerly property line. MAI3: As indicated by BETA, the de minimis light spillage onto the adjacent property of 0.02 foot-candles is equivalent to that of the glow of moonlight, and is therefore does not negatively impact the adjacent property. As such modifications to the lighting plan should not be required. BETA4: No further comment.
- S3. Depict proposed limits of clearing on the plans, as applicable, including areas of existing vegetation to be retained (§185-31.C.(3)(u)). *MAI: The limit of clearing / limit of work is shown on the Site Plan, refer to Sheet C 2.0 of the plan set. It has also been added to Sheet C 1.0.* **BETA2:** Information provided issue resolved.

SCREENING (§185-35)

The project proposes outdoor parking for 10 or more cars, which must be screened from adjacent residential districts or uses from which they would otherwise be visible. The Site is surrounded by lots zoned as Industrial, and it does not appear that the project will be visible from any residential use; therefore, screening is likely unnecessary.



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WATER RESOURCES DISTRICT (§185-40)

The Site is partially located within the Water Resources District due to the presence of a Zone II Wellhead Protection Area. This portion of the Site includes the eastern parking lot and the majority of the proposed building.

- WR1. Clarify if the proposed sewer force main will connect to an off-site sewage disposal system or Town Sewer. If necessary, confirm the estimated sewage flow for the existing sewage disposal system will not exceed 110 gallons per 10,000 sq. ft. of lot area if located within the Water Resources District (§185-40.D.(1)(i)). MAI: The proposed wastewater will be directed to the Town of Franklin public sewer. Per Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection, Title V design standards, a retail store will produce approximately two hundred (200) gallons of wastewater per day. This assumes that public restrooms are available, however, at this site, the restrooms will not be available to the public so the flows should be far less. BETA2: Connection to Town sewer confirmed – issue dismissed.
- WR2. Section §185-40.D.(1)(I)(ii)) requires that the proposed groundwater recharge efforts must be approved by a hydrogeologist; however, provided that the stormwater management system is revised to fully comply with the Massachusetts Stormwater Management Standards no adverse impacts to groundwater are anticipated as a result of the project. BETA defers to the preference of the Board to require approval by a hydrogeologist. *MAI*: **BETA2: No further comment.**
- WR3. Note that any fill placed in quantity greater than 15 yards must be certified in accordance with §185-40.E.(5). *MAI: MAI concurs with the above statement.* **BETA2: No further comment.**
- WR4. In conjunction with comment SW12, it is anticipated that minimal flow is directed from the project site to the paved area in proximity to DP2. BETA notes that to fully comply with (§185-40.E.(4)), all stormwater runoff from impervious surfaces must be recharged unless following consultation with, and approval from the Conservation Commission and the Building Inspector that recharge is determined to be infeasible. *MAI: This project will be submitted to the Conservation Commission for review and approval. Runoff from the impervious area that connects the site to the existing access road is di minimus in scale and should not have any adverse impacts to the adjacent properties. This is reflected in the stormwater calculations. Note that runoff from all of the other impervious surfaces is directed to an infiltration system that provides ground water recharge. BETA2: Information provided issue dismissed.*

UTILITIES

Proposed utilities include drainage, electric, sanitary sewer, and domestic water services. Detailed review of water and sewer utilities is anticipated to be provided by the DPW and Fire Chief (e.g. for fire hydrants), as applicable.

U1. Provide a note that all water and sewer utility installations shall be done in accordance with the Town of Franklin Department of Public Works Standards for Sewer and Water Materials and Installation (Town Standards). Also note that where utility installation details conflict with the Town Standards that the Town Standards shall govern. *MAI: The above requested note has been added to the plan set, refer to Sheets C 2.0 and C 3.0. Notes have been added that show where utility installation details conflict with the Town Standards that the Town Standards that be Town Standards that the Town Standards that BETA2: Note provided – issue resolved.*



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- U2. Provide size and material information for proposed sewer force main and water line(s). *MAI: The* size and materials of the sewer and water lines have been added to the plan set, refer to Sheet C 3.0. BETA2: Information provided. In accordance with Town Specifications, revise material of water service line to copper if length is 100 feet or less (corporation stop to curb stop and curb stop to building) and HDPE otherwise. *MAI2: The water line has been revised to be copper*. BETA3: Material revised issue resolved.
- U3. Indicate how water for fire protection will be supplied, if at all. *MAI: There is no Automated Fire Sprinkler system. Per applicable State & Local Codes (IBC 2015 and CMR 780-9-903 local amendment, Automated Fire Sprinklers are not required for Group M and B occupancy under 12,000 sf and under 3 stories. Proposed building area is 3,930 sf and this is a one-story building.* **BETA2: Information provided – issue dismissed.**
- U4. Confirm the proposed solar lighting is capable of providing adequate illumination for the site throughout the night during adverse conditions (e.g. multiple cloudy/rainy days). *MAI: The solar area lights have an electronic smart controller that stores energy and adjusts light output for optimal performance up to 14 days. Light levels will be maintained per IES recommendations as shown on the attached photometric plan.* **BETA2: Information provided issue resolved.**

STORMWATER MANAGEMENT

The project proposes to direct runoff from impervious areas into a new subsurface infiltration system via catch basin connections and proprietary water quality units (Contech CDS). Overflows from the proposed infiltration system will be directed into a low-lying basin area on the eastern side of the lot.

GENERAL

- SW1. As part of the MS4 regulations, the Town is proposing revisions to Chapter 153, Stormwater Management. Once the revisions are approved (date not yet determined) they will be applicable to any project that is subject to the Bylaw and has not yet been approved. BETA recommends the designer review the proposed Bylaw revisions to evaluate if additional stormwater provisions or treatment may be required. *MAI: MAI has reviewed the proposed bylaw revisions and has made changes to the design as required.* BETA2: Information provided to demonstrate compliance with future requirements issue resolved.
- SW2. Provide a stamped Stormwater Management Checklist. *MAI: A stamped Stormwater Management Checklist has been provided in the stormwater report.* **BETA2: Checklist provided. Clarify reference to project being covered by the NPDES Multi-Sector General Permit, as the proposed use is not an industrial activity.** The checklist should also reference that the project is located in a watershed with a TMDL (Charles River), has soils with rapid infiltration rates, and involves runoff from land uses with higher potential pollutant loads (>1,000 trips per traffic report). *MAI2: The checklist has been revised accordingly.* **BETA3: Checklist revised issue resolved.**
- SW3. Revise proposed HDPE pipe to be RCP. Where cover is less than 42" provide Class V RCP (§300-11.B.(2)(a)). BETA notes that with a waiver request, the Board may consider allowing the use of the 4" HDPE overflow from the subsurface infiltration system. MAI: A waiver has been requested from (§300-11.B.(2)(a)) to allow for a HDPE pipe, refer to Sheet C 0.0. HDPE is used industry wide where cover over the pipe is in excess of twenty-four (24) inches. BETA2: Waiver request provide;



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> however, BETA notes that to date the Board has not granted this waiver on previous projects except for short connections directly to subsurface infiltration systems. *MAI2:* We will continue to request the waiver. We note that should the waiver not be granted, then the pipe will be constructed of RCP. BETA3: BETA recommends for the Board to discuss their preference for pipe material. *MAI3:* Except for the 6" emergency overflow outlet from the infiltration system, all stormwater pipe has been revised to show RCP, and therefore, the waiver request has been withdrawn. BETA4: With the exception of the emergency overflow, pipe revised to RCP. As proposed pipe covers are less than 42", Class V will be required and should be indicated on the plans prior to endorsement. The waiver request on the cover sheet should also be revised to indicate that the use of HDPE is strictly for the use at the subsurface infiltration system overflow.

- SW4. In coordination with the Town, provide an easement for the existing outfall at the northwest end of the site. *MAI: An easement for the town at the headwall has been depicted graphically on the plan set, refer to Sheet C 2.0.* **BETA2: Easement provided. BETA defers any additional comment to the DPW.**
- SW5. Revise the diameter of the proposed catch basins to a minimum of 5 feet to accommodate the proposed double grates. *MAI: The diameter of the catch basins have been revised accordingly, refer to Sheet C 5.0.* **BETA2: Diameter revised issue resolved.**
- SW6. Consider providing periodic check dams in the northerly swale to minimize flow velocities and promote infiltration. *MAI: Check dams have been added to the plan set, refer to Sheet C 2.0.* BETA2: Check dams provided – issue resolved.
- SW7. Clarify where the Typical Level Spreader is proposed. *MAI: The location of the level spreader has been added to the plan set, refer to Sheet 2.0.* **BETA2: Clarification provided issue resolved.**
- SW7A. Revise the infiltration system overflow size on the plan from 4" to 6" to match the current HydroCAD model. *MAI3: The site plans were revised accordingly.* BETA4: Plan revised issue resolved.

MASSACHUSETTS STORMWATER MANAGEMENT STANDARDS:

The proposed development will disturb greater than one acre and is subject to Chapter 153: Stormwater Management of the Town of Franklin Bylaws and MassDEP Stormwater Management Standards.

No untreated stormwater (Standard Number 1): *No new stormwater conveyances (e.g., outfalls) may discharge untreated stormwater directly to or cause erosion in wetlands or waters of the Commonwealth.*

The project does not propose any new untreated stormwater discharges to wetlands. An outfall is proposed from the subsurface infiltration system which discharges to a low-lying area. A riprap apron is proposed for erosion control.

SW8. Although the existing outfall at the northwest corner of the site is not the responsibility of the project proponent, it is recommended to provide a rip rap pad at the outlet. *MAI: A rip rap pad has been added to the existing outfall pipe, refer to Sheet C 2.0.* **BETA2: Rip rap pad provided – issue resolved.**

Post-development peak discharge rates (Standard Number 2): Stormwater management systems must be designed so that post-development peak discharge rates do not exceed pre-development peak discharge rates.



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The project proposes an increase in impervious area and will use subsurface infiltration systems to mitigate increases in post-development peak discharge rates and total runoff volumes.

- SW9. Provide summary table comparing pre-development and post-development runoff volumes. Runoff volumes may not increase per §300-11.A.(3) and the Best Development Practices Guidebook. *MAI: A summary table comparing pre-development and post-develop runoff volumes has been added to the stormwater management report.* **BETA2: Table provided indicating a reduction in peak runoff volume – issue resolved.**
- SW10. Revise HydroCAD model to include subwatershed SC100, as depicted on the Post-Development Drainage Plan, and show the boundary between Watershed SC100 and SC200. *MAI: The HydroCAD model has been revised to exclude subwatershed SC100 and instead shows the eastern and western parking lots as subcatchment 200, which flows to the subsurface infiltration basin. Subwatershed SC101 is the runoff that is directed to Design Point #1.* **BETA2: Information provided – issue resolved.**
- SW11. Label the Post-Development subwatershed located in the south-central portion of the Site. *MAI: The Post-Development subwatershed located in the south-central portion of the site has been added on the drainage maps.* **BETA2: Information provided – issue resolved.**
- SW12. Based on a review of the site there appears to be a low-lying area on the east of the site in proximity to DP2. Additional spot grades from the initial survey should be provided on the plan to clarify this topography and if the low area is confirmed it should be included in the HydroCAD model as a pond. *MAI: The above referenced low-lying area is actually an elevated mound, not a depression, therefore there was no need to modify the HydroCAD model.* **BETA2: BETA revisted the site and confirmed that the referenced mound (approx. 6" to 1' high near the abutting Planet Fitness property line refer to attached sketch) is likely to impound water and will minimize any flow directed to the adjacent site issue remains outstanding.** *MAI2: The existing earth berm near the Planet Fitness has been modeled in HydroCAD. The calculations show that this berm does retain and reduce the runoff onto Planet Fitness. In Proposed conditions, a depression is proposed to mimic the functionality of the eaterhn berm. With that said, the HydroCAD calculations have been revised accordingly and the calculations still show a reduction in the peak rate of runoff as well as a reduction in volume from existing conditions to proposed conditions. BETA3: Existing impoundment included in HydroCAD model issue resolved.*
- SW13. Recommend including the proposed infiltration overflow area in the HydroCAD model as an additional infiltration area. *MAI: This area is likely to be used as a wetland replication area and vegetated with wetland species. It is anticipated that this area will provide infiltration, but it is not being modeled as such, therefore revisions to the HydroCAD model have not been made.* **BETA2:** Information provided. In conjunction with comment SW12, the designer should demonstrate that the proposed overflow area provides an equivalent or greater storage volume than the existing impoundment, as the flow from the Town system is not included in the stormwater model. *MAI2: The existing earth berm near the Planet Fitness has been modeled in HydroCAD. The calculations show that this berm does retain and reduce the runoff onto Planet Fitness. In Proposed conditions, a depression is proposed to mimic the functionality of the eaterhn berm. With that said, the HydroCAD calculations have been revised accordingly and the calculations still show a reduction in the peak rate of runoff as well as a reduction in volume from existing and proposed impoundments and notes that additional storage volume will be provided in the proposed*



conditions. Additionaly, BETA compared the flow rates and volumes directed to the impoundments and found they will be reduced in the proposed conditions – issue resolved.

- SW14. Revise limits of watershed SC101. Based on the proposed grading, the majority of this area will drain to the western parking area (Design Point 2) instead of Design Point 1. *MAI: The limits of watershed SC101 have been revised accordingly.* **BETA2: Watershed limits revised issue resolved.**
- SW15. Clarify how roof runoff will be conveyed. Consider providing a direct connection from the roof leaders to the subsurface infiltration system. *MAI: Downspouts will be directed to a closed underground piping system that will connect directly to the 12" manifold at the subsurface infiltration basin.* **BETA2: Direction connection provided issue resolved.**
- SW15A. The new impervious area associated with the widened driveway has not been included in the HydroCAD model and the designer has asserted that this flow is directed to treatment train consisting of deep sump catch basins, sediment forebays, and detention basins, which will provide the required treatment and attenuations. BETA requests that record plans of the existing drainage system as well as photographic evidence that the existing system is maintained and functioning as designed be provided. MAI Response: The design plans and site photographs of the stormwater management system for 166 Grove Street, Planet Fitness, have been provided and are attached as part of this response letter. As a condition of Planning Board approval, the Applicant agrees to incorporate into its easement agreement with the Owner of 166 Grove Stree an obligation to clean out the storm water system prior to the issuance of a certificate of occupancy for the Pharmacann Project, to ensure proper treatment of any runoff created from the minor increase in payment on the common driveway. BETA4: BETA recommends for the Board to include the suggested condition to require cleaning and maintenance of the existing stormwater management system on the Planet Fitness property, which will receive flow from the proposed widened site driveway.

Recharge to groundwater (Standard Number 3): Loss of annual recharge to groundwater should be minimized through the use of infiltration measures to maximum extent practicable.

NRCS maps indicate the presence of Sudbury fine sandy loam, rated in hydrologic soil group (HSG) B, primarily at the site. A small area of Merrimac fine sandy loam (HSG A) is depicted along the west side of the site near Grove Street. The infiltration systems have been designed to provide a recharge volume in excess of that required.

- SW16. Clarify the Schematic Plan View of the Subsurface Infiltration Facility Details to indicate it is a typical layout and the dimensions are 20 rows of 11 chambers. Revise detail name, as necessary, to reflect the number of systems proposed. *MAI: The details of the Subsurface Infiltration Facility details have been revised accordingly, refer to Sheet C 5.0.* **BETA2: Details revised issue resolved.**
- SW17. The proposed bottom of the infiltration system is at elevation 250.30 and will not provide the required 2' minimum separation to groundwater based upon the soils analysis for Test Pit 2 (ESHGW @ 251.5). MAI: The bottom elevation of the infiltration basin is two (2) feet above the groundwater encountered in Test Pit #1 (248.3), which is located adjacent to the infiltration system. BETA2: Information provided which indicates the eastern side of the proposed infiltration system has the required 2' separation to groundwater; however, the groundwater profile created by the additional test pit information cannot be discounted for the remainder of the system. Either revise the system to provide the required 2' separation throughout the



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> system based on the groundwater profile or provide an additional test pit at the western side of the proposed system to demonstrate a consistent groundwater elevation. MAI2: A confirmatory test pit can be dug in the western portion of the infiltration system prior to construction to confirm the groundwater elevations. If that test pit depicts a higher than anticipated groundwater elevation, modifications to the drainage system will be made at such time. BETA3: In consideration that the entire stormwater system design is contingent on this subsurface infiltration system and that it is anticipated that additional test pit information will indicate a groundwater table within 2 feet of the infiltration system, BETA recommends for the issue to be resolved at this time. MAI3: On October 9, 2020 an additional test pit was performed by a Registered Soil Evaluator and a Professional Engineer, at the western edge of the infiltration system. The test pit log and location are shown on the Record Conditions and Demolition Plan. The results show that there will be greater than a (2) foot separation to groundwater, therefore modifications to the stormwater design are not required. **BETA4: As no mottles or weeping were** observed in the test pit an accurate estimate of seasonal high groundwater elevation cannot be determined at this time. Performing additional test pits in the near future may also not yield conclusive results; therefore, BETA recommends that groundwater elevations are reevaluated during construction.

- SW18. Revise the top elevation of the stone in the infiltration system on the Cross Section detail to be consistent with other elevations. *MAI: The top elevation of the stone in the infiltration system has been revised accordingly, refer to Sheet C 5.0.* **BETA2: Elevation revised issue resolved.**
- SW19. Provide mounding analysis for proposed infiltration systems as separation to groundwater is less than 4 feet. *MAI: Mounting calculations have been provided in the stormwater management report.* **BETA2: Analysis provided issue resolved.**
- SW20. Test pit data indicates pockets of sandy loam within the C layer of coarse sand and gravel, which are more restrictive than the design exfiltration rate of 8.27 in/hr. Provide additional clarification to justify the design exfiltration rate or lower the rate, if appropriate. *MAI: Per the Subsurface Infiltration Detail on sheet C 5.0, there is a note that states that all unsuitable materials are to be removed five (5) feet in all directions from around the proposed infiltration system, this includes the sandy loam.* **BETA2: Information provided issue resolved.**

80% TSS Removal (Standard Number 4): For new development, stormwater management systems must be designed to remove 80% of the annual load of Total Suspended Solids.

The project proposes to direct runoff from new impervious areas to a treatment train consisting of deep sump catch basins with hoods, proprietary water quality units (Contech CDS), and a subsurface infiltration system. Calculations are provided that demonstrate the required 80% TSS removal and 1" Water Quality Volume can be provided with the deep sump catch basin and infiltration basin treatment train.

Higher Potential Pollutant Loads (Standard Number 5): *Stormwater discharges from Land Uses with Higher Potential Pollutant Loads require the use of specific stormwater management BMPs.*

SW21. Provide the total number of estimated trips per day for the site. If the number exceeds 1,000 the site is considered a high-intensity-use parking area and is therefore LUHPPL. MAI: The site will generate, on average 800 - 1,000 trips per day and is therefore is not considered a LUHPPL. BETA2: The traffic report indicates the daily trips are 1,050; therefore, the site is considered a LUHPPL. BETA notes this classification is not anticipated to require any stormwater modifications. MAI2: MAI concurs with the above statement. BETA3: No further comment.



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Critical Areas (Standard Number 6): Stormwater discharges to critical areas must utilize certain stormwater management BMPs approved for critical areas.

The project includes discharges to a Zone II Wellhead Protection Area, a critical area, and 44% pretreatment is required prior to infiltration. The proposed treatment trains are consistent with the recommendations of MassDEP for discharges to Zone II wellhead protection areas.

- SW22. Revise narrative to correctly indicate the presence of a critical area. *MAI: The narrative has been revised accordingly.* **BETA2: Narrative revised issue resolved.**
- SW23. Provide calculation based upon MassDEP's "Standard Method to Convert Required Water Quality Volume to a Discharge Rate for Sizing Flow Based Manufactured Proprietary Stormwater Treatment Practices" to demonstrate the Contech Structures are capable of treating the calculated discharge rate and will remove a minimum of 44% TSS prior to infiltration. *MAI: MAI has reached out to Contech to obtain the documentation required that demonstrates that the Contech structures are capable of treating the calculated discharge rate and will remove a minimum of 44% TSS prior to infiltration. That documentation can be found in the Appendix of this report.* BETA2: The provided information does not appear to show the DEP calculated water quality flow rate compared to the maximum treatment rate provided by the Contech unit issue remains outstanding. *MAI2: DEP calculated water quality flow rates compared to the maximum treatment rate provided.* BETA3: BETA calculated the required water quality flow rate quality flow rates compared to the maximum treatment rate provided. BETA3: BETA calculated the required water quality flow rate quality flow rates compared to the maximum treatment rate provided.

Redevelopment (Standard Number 7): *Redevelopment of previously developed sites must meet the Stormwater Management Standards to the maximum extent practicable.*

The project does not qualify as redevelopment – not applicable.

SW24. Revise narrative to remove references to "70 Frank Mossberg Drive" and that the project qualifies as a redevelopment. *MAI: The narrative has been revised accordingly.* **BETA2: Narrative revised – issue resolved.**

Construction Period Erosion and Sediment Controls (Standard Number 8): *Erosion and sediment controls must be implemented to prevent impacts during construction or land disturbance activities.*

The project as currently depicted will disturb greater than one acre of land; therefore, a Notice of Intent with EPA and a Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP) is required. The project plans indicate the use of a stabilized construction entrance, silt sacks, and perimeter erosion controls (Filtermitt).

- SW25. Provide perimeter controls along the southwestern border of the Site (e.g. where existing flows are directed to DP1). *MAI: Perimeter erosion controls have been added to the plan set, refer to Sheets C 1.0 and C 2.0.* **BETA2: Perimeter controls provided issue resolved.**
- SW26. Revise Temporary Stabilized Construction Entrance Detail to be a continuous width of 20 feet as depicted on the Layout, Grading, and Erosion Control Plan. *MAI: The temporary Stabilized Construction Entrance Detail has been revised to be a continuous width of 20 feet.* **BETA2: Detail revised issue resolved.**

Operations/maintenance plan (Standard Number 9): A Long-Term Operation and Maintenance Plan shall be developed and implemented to ensure that stormwater management systems function as designed.

A Long-Term Operation and Maintenance (O&M) Plan has been provided.



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- SW27. Provide long-term maintenance measures for catch basins and Contech water quality units. *MAI: The Operation and Maintenance Plan has been revised accordingly.* **BETA2: Information provided** – issue resolved.
- SW28. Provide a plan that shows the location of all stormwater BMPs as part of the O&M Plan. *MAI: A* plan that depicts the stormwater BMP's has been added to the O&M Plan. **BETA2: Plan provided** issue resolved.
- SW29. Provide an estimated O&M budget. *MAI: An estimated O&M Budget will be provided prior to construction.* **BETA2: To avoid a condition of approval that would require this information to be provided in the future, it is recommended to estimate the O&M budget at this time with the understanding that it can be modified prior to construction, if necessary.** *MAI2: An estimated annual budget of \$90,000 \$95,000 has been added to the O&M.* **BETA3: Information provided issue resolved.**

Illicit Discharges (Standard Number 10): All illicit discharges to the stormwater management systems are prohibited.

The Stormwater Management Report indicates that no illicit discharges are proposed, and a signed Illicit Discharge Compliance Statement will be provided prior to construction.

SW30. Provide a signature on the Illicit Discharge Compliance Statement. *MAI: A signature has been added to the Illicit Discharge Compliance Statement.* **BETA2: Signature provided – issue resolved.**

If we can be of any further assistance regarding this matter, please contact us at our office.

Very truly yours, BETA Group, Inc.

Matthew J. Crowley, PE Project Manager

cc: Amy Love, Planner Jen Delmore, Conservation Agent

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TOWN OF FRANKLIN DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS Franklin Municipal Building 257 Fisher Street Franklin, MA 02038-3026

October 14, 2020

Mr. Anthony Padula, Chairman Members of the Franklin Planning Board 355 East Central Street Franklin, MA 02038

RE: Special Permit & Site Plan – 164 Grove St, Dispensary

Dear Mr. Chairman and Members:

We have reviewed the revised materials for the subject project and note the following:

1. Under the revised stormwater model, the peak elevation for the 100 yr storm exceeds the top of the stone for the infiltration bed. Consideration should be given to enlarging the system to keep the peak water elevation within the stone envelope.

Should you have any questions or require additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

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Michael Maglio, P.E. Town Engineer

FRANKLIN PLANNING & COMMUNITY



DEVELOPMENT 355 East Central Street, Room 120 Franklin, Ma 02038-1352 Telephone: 508-520-4907

MEMORANDUM

DATE: October 15, 2020

TO: Franklin Planning Board

FROM: Department of Planning and Community Development

RE: 164 Grove Street – PharmaCann Special Permit & Site Plan

The DPCD has reviewed the above referenced Special Permit & Site Plan Modification application for the Monday, October 19, 2020 Planning Board meeting and offers the following commentary:

General:

- 1. The site is approximately 1.5 acres and is located at 164 Grove Street in the Industrial Zoning and Marijuana Overlay District; Assessor's Map 306 Lot 004.
- 2. The Applicant is proposing to construct a 4,150 square feet building with 70 parking spaces. The main use of the building is for retail Marijuana. There will be no product manufacturing, testing or research operations at the Facility.
- 3. Applicant has filed the following Special Permits:
 - To allow Non-medical retail marijuana facility under 185 Attachment 3, Part II Section 2.23.
 - To allow Medical retail marijuana facility under 185-49 Attachment 4, Section 4.2 (a)
 - Common Driveway for 2 plus lots under 185-21(F).

Comments from the September 28, 2020 Meeting:

- 1. Is there a turn around area on the access driveway should a customer miss the entrance? *Issue still not addressed*
- 2. Applicant has indicated it will operate as Appointment only for the first 30 days, and requests that the Planning Board review this after the 30 days of opening.
- 3. Hours of operation will be 9:00am 9:00pm seven days a week.

Waiver Requests:

1. To allow for HDPE storm drain pipe in lieu of class V RCP

Suggested Special Conditions:

- 1. The proposed facility will operate as a Reserve Ahead-only dispensary, which would require customers and patients to place an order in advance and select a scheduled pick up time to retrieve the product. Applicant may request this be reviewed after 30 days of opening.
- 2. The Traffic Impact Assessment, response letter September 17, 2020, submitted by the applicant, shall be included with the Certificate of Vote.
- 3. There is to be no cars queuing on Grove Street and the access driveway to the site.
- 4. Design Review color recommendations shall be included in the endorsed set of plans.

Records on File:

- 1. Application for Site Plan and Special Permit
- 2. Certificate of Ownership
- 3. Special Permit Criteria
- 4. Abutters certified mailing
- 5. Overview of Proposed project and Special Permit Findings
- 6. Site Plans
- 7. Stormwater Management Plans

ROLE CALL VOTE:

This determination shall be in addition to the following specific findings:

If you vote NO on any of the following, please state reason why you are voting NO:

- Special Permits (3): To allow Non-medical marijuana facility under 185 Attachment 3, Part II Section 2.23, To allow Medical Marijuana under 185-49, Attachment 4 Section 4.2(a) and Common Driveway for 2+ lots under 185-21(F)
- (a) Proposed project addresses or is consistent with neighborhood or Town need.

Anthony Padula	YES	NO	Joseph Halligan	YES	NO
Rick Power	YES	NO	Gregory Rondeau	YES	NO
William David	YES	NO			

(b) Vehicular traffic flow, access and parking and pedestrian safety are properly addressed.

Anthony Padula	YES	NO	Joseph Halligan	YES	NO
Rick Power	YES	NO	Gregory Rondeau	YES	NO
William David	YES	NO			

(c) Public roadways, drainage, utilities and other infrastructure are adequate or will be upgraded to accommodate development.

Anthony Padula	YES	NO	Joseph Halligan	YES	NO
Rick Power	YES	NO	Gregory Rondeau	YES	NO
William David	YES	NO			

(d) Neighborhood character and social structure will not be negatively impacted.

Anthony Padula	YES	NO	Joseph Halligan	YES	NO
Rick Power	YES	NO	Gregory Rondeau	YES	NO
William David	YES	NO			

(e) Project will not destroy or cause substantial damage to any environmentally-significant natural resource, habitat, or feature or, if it will, proposed mitigation, remediation, replication or compensatory measures are adequate.

Anthony Padula	YES	NO	Joseph Halligan	YES	NO
Rick Power	YES	NO	Gregory Rondeau	YES	NO
William David	YES	NO			

(f) Number, height, bulk, location and siting of building(s) and structure(s) will not result in abutting properties being deprived of light or fresh air circulation or being exposed to flooding or subjected to excessive noise, odor, light, vibrations, or airborne particulates.

Anthony Padula	YES	NO	Joseph Halligan	YES	NO
Rick Power	YES	NO	Gregory Rondeau	YES	NO
William David	YES	NO			

(g) Water consumption and sewer use, taking into consideration current and projected future local water supply and demand and wastewater treatment capacity, will not be excessive.

Anthony Padula	YES	NO	Joseph Halligan	YES	NO
Rick Power	YES	NO	Gregory Rondeau	YES	NO
William David	YES	NO			

The proposed use will not have adverse effects which overbalance its beneficial effects on either the neighborhood or the Town, in view of the particular characteristics of the site and of the proposal in relation to that site.

Anthony Padula	YES	NO	Joseph Halligan	YES	NO
Rick Power	YES	NO	Gregory Rondeau	YES	NO
William David	YES	NO			

STANDARD CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL

- 1. This Special Permit shall not be construed to run with the land and shall run with the Site Plan as endorsed by the Planning Board. A new Special Permit shall be required from the Planning Board if any major change of use or major change to the site plan is proposed.
- 2. This Special Permit shall lapse if a substantial use or construction has not begun, except for good cause, within twenty four (24) months of approval, unless the Board grants an extension. No final Certificate of Occupancy shall be issued until all requirements of the Special Permit have been completed to the satisfaction of the Board unless the applicant has submitted a Partial Certificate of Completion for the remainder of the required improvements and received approval by the Planning Board. The applicant's engineer or surveyor, upon completion of all required improvements, shall submit a Certificate of Completion. The Board or its agent(s) shall complete a final inspection of the site upon filing of the Certificate of Completion by the applicant. Said inspection is further outlined in condition #4.
- 3. Construction or operations under this Special Permit shall conform to any subsequent amendment of the Town of Franklin Zoning Bylaw (§185) unless the use or construction is commenced within a period of six (6) months after the issuance of this Special Permit and, in cases involving construction, unless such construction is continued through to completion as continuously and expeditiously as is reasonable.
- 4. **The Planning Board will use outside consultant services to complete construction inspections upon the commencement of construction.** The Franklin Department of Public Works Director, directly and through employees of the Department of Public Works and outside consultant services shall act as the Planning Board's inspector to assist the Board with inspections necessary to ensure compliance with all relevant laws, regulations and Planning Board approved plan specifications. Such consultants shall be selected and retained upon a majority vote of the Board.
- 5. Actual and reasonable costs of inspection consulting services shall be paid by the owner/applicant before or at the time of the pre-construction meeting. Should additional inspections be required beyond the original scope of work, the owner/applicant shall be required to submit fees prior to the issuance of a Final Certificate of Completion by the Planning Board (Form H). Said inspection is further outlined in condition #4.
- 6. No alteration of the Special Permit and the plans associated with it shall be made or affected other that by an affirmative vote of the members of the Board at a duly posted meeting and upon the issuance of a written amended decision.
- 7. All applicable laws, by-laws, rules, regulations, and codes shall be complied with, and all necessary licenses, permits and approvals shall be obtained by the owner/applicant.
- 8. Prior to the endorsement of the site plan, the following shall be done:
 - The owner/applicant shall make a notation on the site plan that references the Special Permit and the conditions and dates of this Certificate of Vote.

- A notation shall be made on the plans that all erosion mitigation measures shall be in place prior to major construction or soil disturbance commencing on the site.
- All outstanding invoices for services rendered by the Town's Engineers and other reviewing Departments of the Town relative to their review of the owner/applicant's application and plans shall have been paid in full.
- The owner/applicant shall submit a minimum of six copies of the approved version of the plan.
- 9. Prior to any work commencing on the subject property, the owner/applicant shall provide plans to limit construction debris and materials on the site. In the event that debris is carried onto any public way, the owner/applicant and his assigns shall be responsible for all cleanup of the roadway. All cleanups shall occur within twenty-four (24) hours after first written notification to the owner/applicant by the Board or its designee. Failure to complete such cleanup may result in suspension of construction of the site until such public way is clear of debris.
- 10. The owner/applicant shall install erosion control devices as necessary and as directed by the Town's Construction Inspector.
- 11. Prior to construction activities, there shall be a pre-construction meeting with the owner/applicant, and his contractor(s), the Department of Public Works and the Planning Board's Inspector.
- 12. Any signage requires the Applicant to file with the Design Review Commission.
- 13. Prior to the endorsement, the Certificate of Vote and Order of Conditions shall be added to the Site Plans.