

## **MEMORANDUM**

**DATE:** October 14, 2015

**TO:** Planning Commissioners

**CC:** Mayor Don Kyle; Wally Terry; Herman Marks; Tony Powell; Tom Polk; Mark Petersohn; Carl Prewitt; Planning Staff

### **PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING**

**October 20, 2015**

**Pre-meeting – 2:15 p.m. (Annex)**

**Meeting – 3:15 p.m. (Council Chambers)**

# Agenda Planning Commission

City of Decatur, AL

October 20, 2015

Time: 3:15 PM

City Council Chambers

Commissioners: **Tracy Tubbs**, *Chairman*; **Em Barran**, *Vice Chairman*; **Kent Lawrence**, *Secretary*; **Gary Borden**; **Chuck Ard**; **Frances Tate**; **Joseph Wynn**; **Nell Standridge**; **Eddie Pike**

## 1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

## 2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES- September 22, 2015

## 3. PUBLIC HEARING

PAGE/MAP

### ZONINGS AND REZONINGS

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|---|----------|
| A. Rezoning 1295-15   | 1/6,8-11 |
| (The property is the state Right of Way known as Gordon Terry Parkway and Public Right of Way known as West Moulton St. |          |
| B. Rezoning 1296-15   | 1/7-11   |
| (The property is the state Right of Way known as Gordon Terry Parkway )   |          |

## 4. OLD BUSINESS

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|-----------|--|---------|
| A. 525-15 | Residence Inn – Site Plan Review                           | 2/12-13 |
|           | (South of Courtyard Circle SW and west of Beltline Rd. SW) |         |

## 5. CONSENT AGENDA

### CERTIFICATES

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|------------|--|---------|
| A. 3287-15 | Certificate to Subdivide & Consolidate   | 2/14-15 |
|            | (North of Old Moulton Rd. SW and west side of Red Sunset Drive SW)               |         |
| B. 3288-15 | Certificate to Subdivide   | 3/16-18 |
|            | (South of Danville Rd. SW and east side of Baker Rd.)                            |         |
| C. 3289-15 | Certificate to Subdivide   | 3/19-21 |
|            | (North side of Red Bank Rd. SE and west side of Indian Hills Rd. SE)             |         |
| D. 3290-15 | Certificate to Subdivide   | 3/22-23 |
|            | (North of 11 <sup>th</sup> Street SE and east side of 4 <sup>th</sup> Avenue SE) |         |

## **SITE PLAN REVIEW**

A. 533-15	Decatur High School (North of Locust St. SE and east and west of Somerville Rd. SE)	4/24 see plat
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## **BOND REVIEW**

A. Princeton Place Subdivision (North of Deerfoot Way SW and east side of Shady Grove Lane SW)	4/25
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B. Windsor Place Subdivision (South of Gordon Terry Parkway and west of McEntire Lane SW)	4/26
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## **6. NEW BUSINESS**

### **MORATORIUM ON ANNEXATIONS**

5/27-29

**Minutes  
Zoning Committee  
October 13, 2015**

<b>PUBLIC HEARING</b>
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**ZONINGS AND REZONINGS**

**Rezoning 1295-15**

Applicant: City of Decatur  
Owner: State of AL. / City of Decatur

Zoning: M1A  
Acreage: 14.18 Acres more or less

Request: To apply a M1A zoning to a recently annexed piece of property

Location: The property is the state Right of Way known as Gordon Terry Parkway and Public Right of Way known as West Moulton St.

Recomm: The Zoning Committee recommends approval. This is reflective of the adjacent property uses and in conformance with the Comprehensive Plan.

**Rezoning 1296-15**

Applicant: City of Decatur  
Owner: State of AL.

Zoning: M1A  
Acreage: 35.75 Acres more or less

Request: To apply a M1A zoning to a recently annexed piece of property

Location: The property is the state Right of Way known as Gordon Terry Parkway

Recomm: The Zoning Committee recommends approval. This is reflective of the adjacent property uses and in conformance with the Comprehensive Plan.

<b>END PUBLIC HEARING</b>
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**Minutes  
Subdivision Committee  
October 13, 2015**

<b>OLD BUSINESS</b>
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**Site Plan Review 525-15 / Residence Inn**

Applicant: Yedla Hospitality  
Owner: Same

Zoning: M-1A  
Acreage: 2.75 acres

Request: Amend Condition No. 5 of Site Plan No. 525-15 to remove shared parking agreement with Marriott Hotel

Location: South of Courtyard Circle SW and west of Beltline Rd. SW

Recomm: The Subdivision Committee recommends removing Condition No. 5 since Residence Inn can meet the zoning district parking requirements without a shared parking agreement.

<b>CONSENT AGENDA</b>
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**CERTIFICATES**

**3287-15 Certificate to Subdivide and Consolidate**

Applicant: Marlon Waters/Wesley Schrimsher  
Owner: Waters/Schrimsher

Zoning: AG-1 and R-2  
Acreage: 17.46 acres

Request: Subdivide .09 acres from a 17.22 acre tract and consolidate with a .24 acre tract making a 17.13 acre tract and a .33 acre tract

Location: North of Old Moulton Rd. SW and west side of Red Sunset Drive SW

Conds: 

1. Payment of recording fees
2. Amend survey to provide four state plane coordinates on the NAD 83 or provide digital document for mapping

***Pt. of Info: Any relocation of utilities will be at the owner's expense.***

Recomm: Approval with stated conditions

### 3288-15 Certificate to Subdivide

Applicant: Idlewind LLC  
Owner: Same

Zoning: Outside Corp Limits  
Acreage: 20.13 acres

Request: Subdivide 20.3 acres into three tracts of 9.13 acres and two tracts of 5.00 acres each

Location: South of Danville Rd. SW and east side of Baker Rd.

- Conds:
1. Payment of recording fees
  2. Amend survey to provide four state plane coordinates on the NAD 83 or provide digital document for mapping
  3. Provide dedication block for Baker Rd.
  4. Show Danville Rd. ROW in relation to Baker Rd.
  5. Provide 30' easement (15' either side) for existing power line

***Pt. of Info: Any relocation of utilities will be at the owner's expense.***

Recomm: Approval with stated conditions

### 3289-15 Certificate to Subdivide

Applicant: Jason & Jessie Fortenberry  
Owner: Same

Zoning: R-1E  
Acreage: 10.18 acres

Request: Subdivide 10.18 acres into two tracts of 5.07 acres and 5.11 acres

Location: North side of Red Bank Rd. SE and west side of Indian Hills Rd. SE

- Conds:
1. Payment of recording fees
  2. Amend survey to provide four state plane coordinates on the NAD 83 or provide digital document for mapping

***Pt of Info: Any relocation of utilities will be at the owner's expense.***

Recomm: Approval with stated conditions.

### 3290-15 Certificate to Subdivide

Applicant: NJL Enterprises, LLC  
Owner: Same

Zoning: RD  
Acreage: .90 acres

Request: Subdivide .90 acres into two tracts of .26 acres and .64 acres

Location: North of 11<sup>th</sup> Street SE and east side of 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue SE

- Conds:
1. Amend survey to provide four state plane coordinates on the NAD 83 or provide digital document for mapping

***Pt. of Info: Any relocation of utilities will be at the owner's expense.***

Recomm: Approval with stated condition.

## SITE PLAN REVIEWS

### 533-15 Decatur High School

Applicant: City of Decatur Bd. Of Education  
Owner: Same

Zoning: ID  
Acreage:

Request: Site plan approval for the construction of Decatur High School

Location: North of Locust St. SE and east and west of Somerville Rd. SE

Conds: 1. School Board to provide approval from City for air rights regarding installation of the pedestrian bridge over Somerville Road SE

***Pts. of Info:***

- (1) No off- site improvements required per traffic study
- (2) Interior circulation will remove any on street stacking for loading and unloading

Recomm: Approval with stated condition.

## BOND REVIEWS

### Princeton Place Subdivision

Applicant: Danny Hill  
Owner: Same

Zoning: R-3  
Acreage: 15.8 acres

Request: Bond review for the completion of collector sidewalks in the Princeton Place Subdivision. (LOC Amt. \$38,000 – Expires 1/20/2016)

Location: North of Deerfoot Way SW and east side of Shady Grove Lane SW

Recomm: Extend the bond for an additional year or until sidewalks along the collector street are complete.

### Windsor Place Subdivision

Applicant: Littrell Development  
Owner: Same

Zoning: R3 & R5  
Acreage:

Request: Bond review for the completion of collector sidewalks in the Windsor Place Subdivision. (LOC Amt. \$64,000 – Expires 12/14/2015)

Location: South of Gordon Terry Parkway and west of McEntire Lane SW

Recomm: Extend the bond for an additional year or until sidewalks along the collector street are complete.

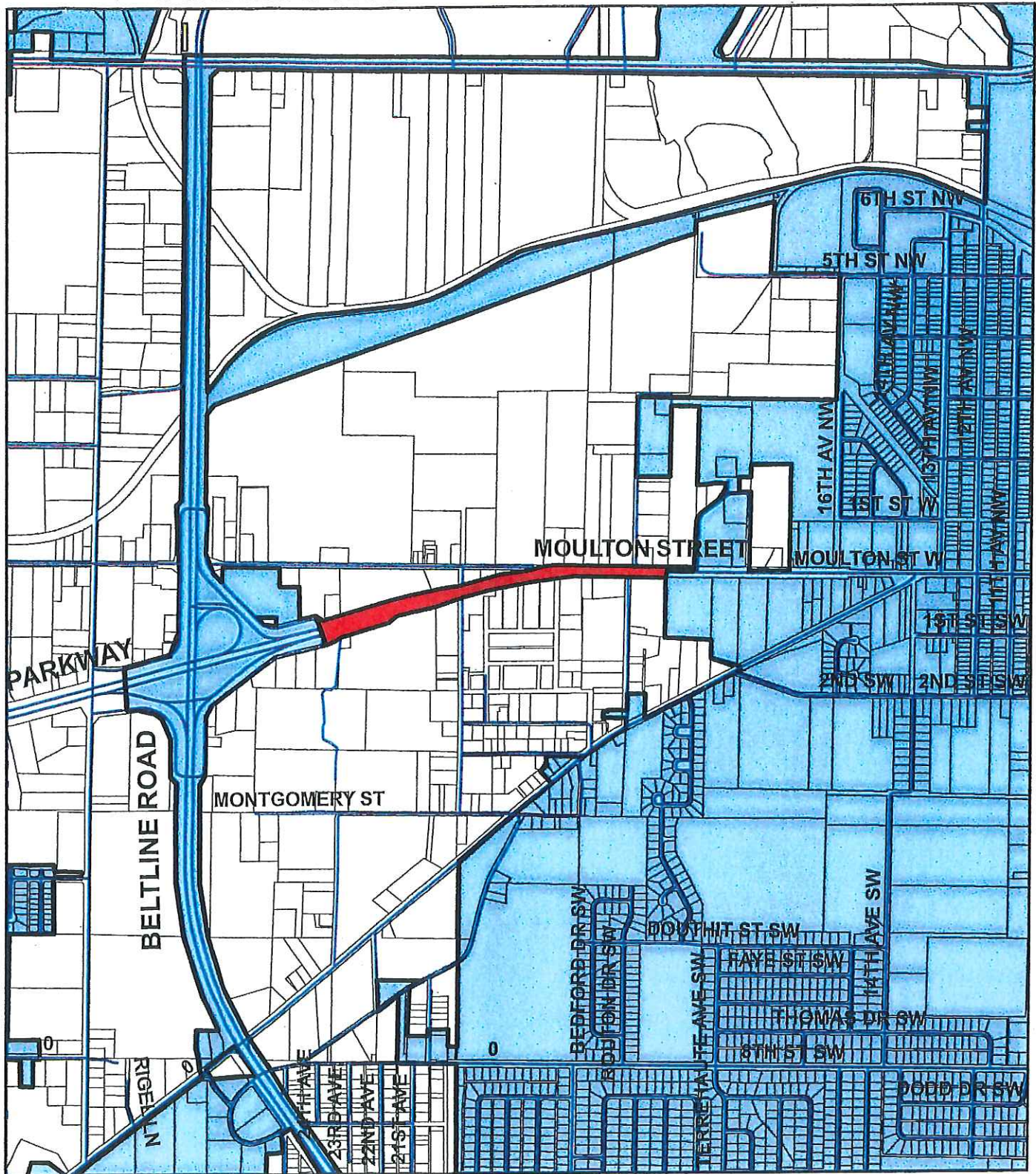
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## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **MORATORIUM ON ANNEXATIONS**



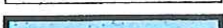
The Planning Commission asks for the City Council to put a moratorium on annexations into the City of Decatur beginning November 3, 2015, to allow for adjustments to voting district maps to be made.





### LOCATION MAP

#### Legend

-  .Streets911
-  .Ownership
-  .CorporateLimits

**APPLICANT: CITY OF DECATUR**

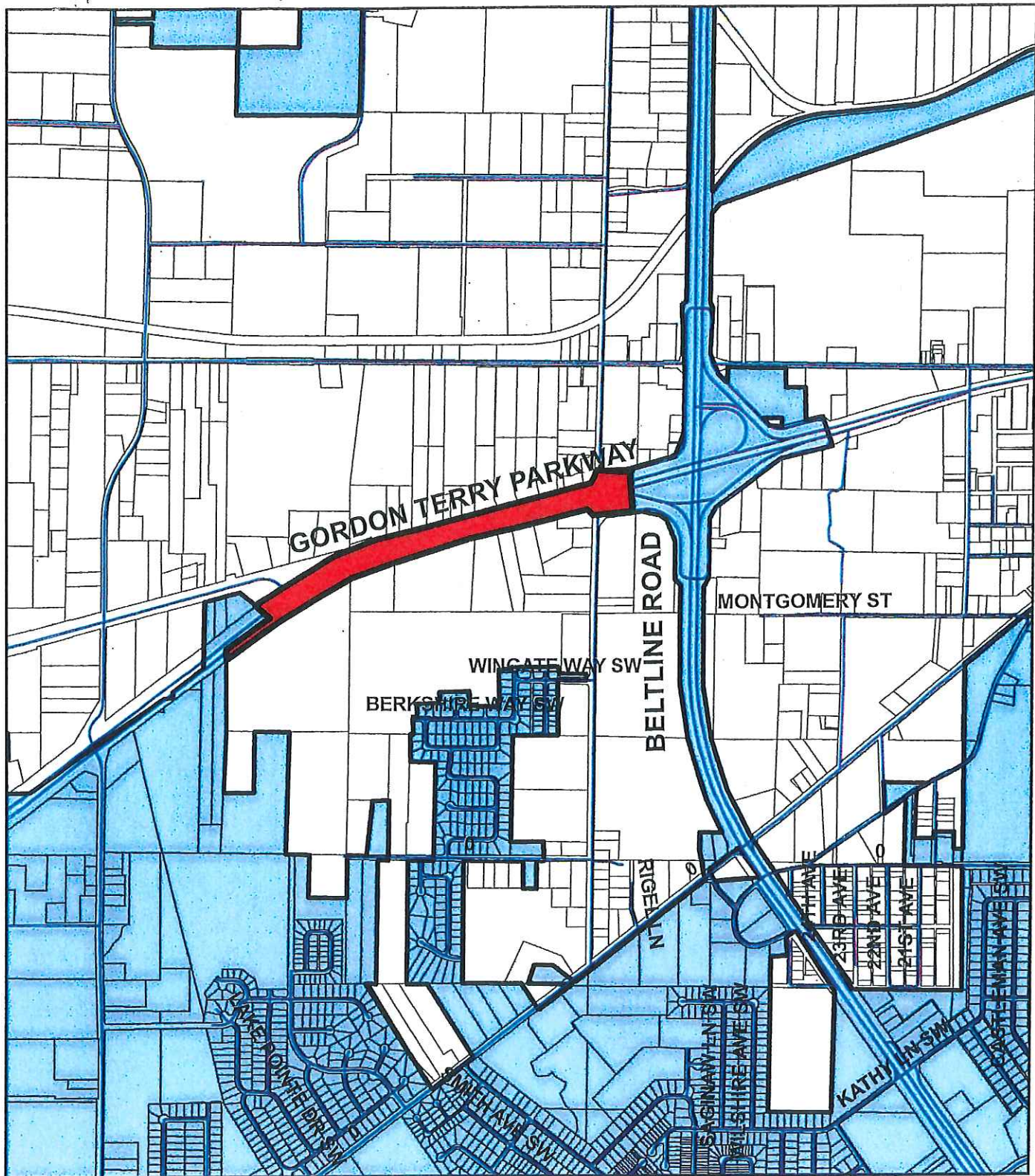
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# Exhibit B, page 2 | ANNEXATION REQUEST NO. 338-13



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**APPLICANT: CITY OF DECATUR**

### Legend

- Streets911
- Ownership
- CorporateLimits

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## Sec. 25-12. – EXPRESSWAY COMMERCIAL DISTRICT

District	USE REGULATIONS	SPACE AND HEIGHT REGULATIONS	District
<b>M-1A (Expressway Commercial District)</b>	<p>Uses permitted: On premises sale and off premises sale of alcoholic beverages; public and semi-public uses, including governmental buildings, hospitals, clinics, churches, schools, academies, and clubs; Businesses licensed under the Deferred Presentment Services Act, and/or Pawnshop Act, and/or Dealers in Gold or Precious Items Act where there is a 1,500-foot separation between the closest property boundary of the legal lot on which the said business is located and the closest property boundary of any other legal lot on which any business licensed under these Acts is located. However, the above notwithstanding there may be one (1) of each type business licensed under the Deferred Presentment Services Act, and/or Pawnshop Act, and/or Dealers in Gold or Precious Items Act located on the same legal lot duly approved by the City of</p>	<p>Minimum lot size: It is the intent of the ordinance that lots of sufficient size be used for any use to provide adequate off-street parking and off-street loading space in addition to the space required for the other normal operations of the enterprise or use. Minimum yard size: Sixty (60) foot minimum set back from and along the Beltline Road; thirty-five (35) foot minimum set back from and along all other public street rights-of-way; thirty-five (35) foot minimum rear yard; and no side yard required excepting a lot adjoining its side lot line another lot which is in a residential district there shall be a twenty-five (25) foot minimum yard size. Gasoline pump islands (uncovered) may be placed within the front yard or set back area along the Beltline Road provided they maintain a thirty-five (35) foot minimum set back from all public street rights-of-way. In the event of conflict between any of the</p>	<b>M-1A (Expressway Commercial District)</b>

District	USE REGULATIONS	SPACE AND HEIGHT REGULATIONS	District
	<p>Decatur and in conformance with the subdivision regulations as amended. Any retail or wholesale business of service not specifically restricted or prohibited; provided that special consideration is given for the development of all uses and their relationship to the adjoining service roads providing direct access, or adjoining "expressways" or other major arterial as designated by the major thoroughfare plan which may provide direct, or indirect access via a service road. The plat and plan of the proposed use and any subsequent addition thereto shall be submitted and have the approval of the planning commission before any structures or uses are authorized in these districts and before a building permit is issued for any structure or certificate of occupancy given for any use not requiring a structure.</p> <p>Uses permitted on appeal: Light industrial operations not obnoxious, offensive or</p>	<p>provisions herein, the stricter of such provisions shall apply.</p> <p>Maximum building area: 40 per cent of lot area including specified yard space providing that required off-street parking and off-street loading and unloading areas are provided.</p> <p>Maximum height: None.</p> <p>Off-street parking: See § 25-16.</p> <p>Off-street loading and unloading: Adequate space for loading and unloading of all vehicles or trucks incidental to the operation of the business or use shall be provided.</p>	

District	USE REGULATIONS	SPACE AND HEIGHT REGULATIONS	District
	<p>detrimental to neighboring property by reason of dust, smoke, vibration, noise, odor, or effluents; mobile home parks, provided such parks are laid out and utilities are made available for not less than ten trailers or mobile homes; and any use permitted in an R-4 Residential District, provided such use shall be subject to all district requirements thereof as set forth and specified in section 25-10 hereof, other than the maximum height provision set forth therein which shall not be applicable, provided however no such use permitted on appeal shall have direct access to the Beltline Road (Alabama Highway 67) unless such applicant shall present to the board of zoning adjustment a limited access plan in writing, approved by the city engineer, or other duly designated authority, which plan must meet the approval of the board, and be a condition of any grant or approval by such board. Uses prohibited: Stockyard;</p>		

District	USE REGULATIONS	SPACE AND HEIGHT REGULATIONS	District
	<p>live animals or poultry sales; coal yards; lumber mills; auto wrecking; grist or flour mills; ice plants; junk scrap paper, rag, storage or bailing; stone or monument works. Any use as determined by Building Director whose operations would be obnoxious, offensive, or detrimental to neighborhood property by reason of dust, smoke, vibration, noise, odor, effluence, or appearance.</p>		



1 October 2015

**City of Decatur, Planning Department**  
PO Box 488  
Decatur, AL 35602

**Attn: Mr. Steve Kelso**

**RE: Proposed Residence Inn – Courtyard Circle**

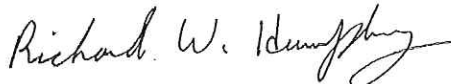
The developers of the proposed Residence Inn on Courtyard Circle (Site Plan 525-15) would like to request a modification to a portion of the conditional approval granted on May 19, 2015. They request that condition number 5 be modified to remove the requirement to provide a copy of the easement for the shared parking and drive agreement with Marriott. The planned parking is being modified to limit the paving work to the Residence Inn parcel. This will still allow for parking on site in excess of what is required by zoning.

The drainage system is not being modified from what was previously submitted and approved, and a copy of the signed drainage agreement with Marriott will be provided.

We appreciate your consideration and look forward to discussing this further with you.

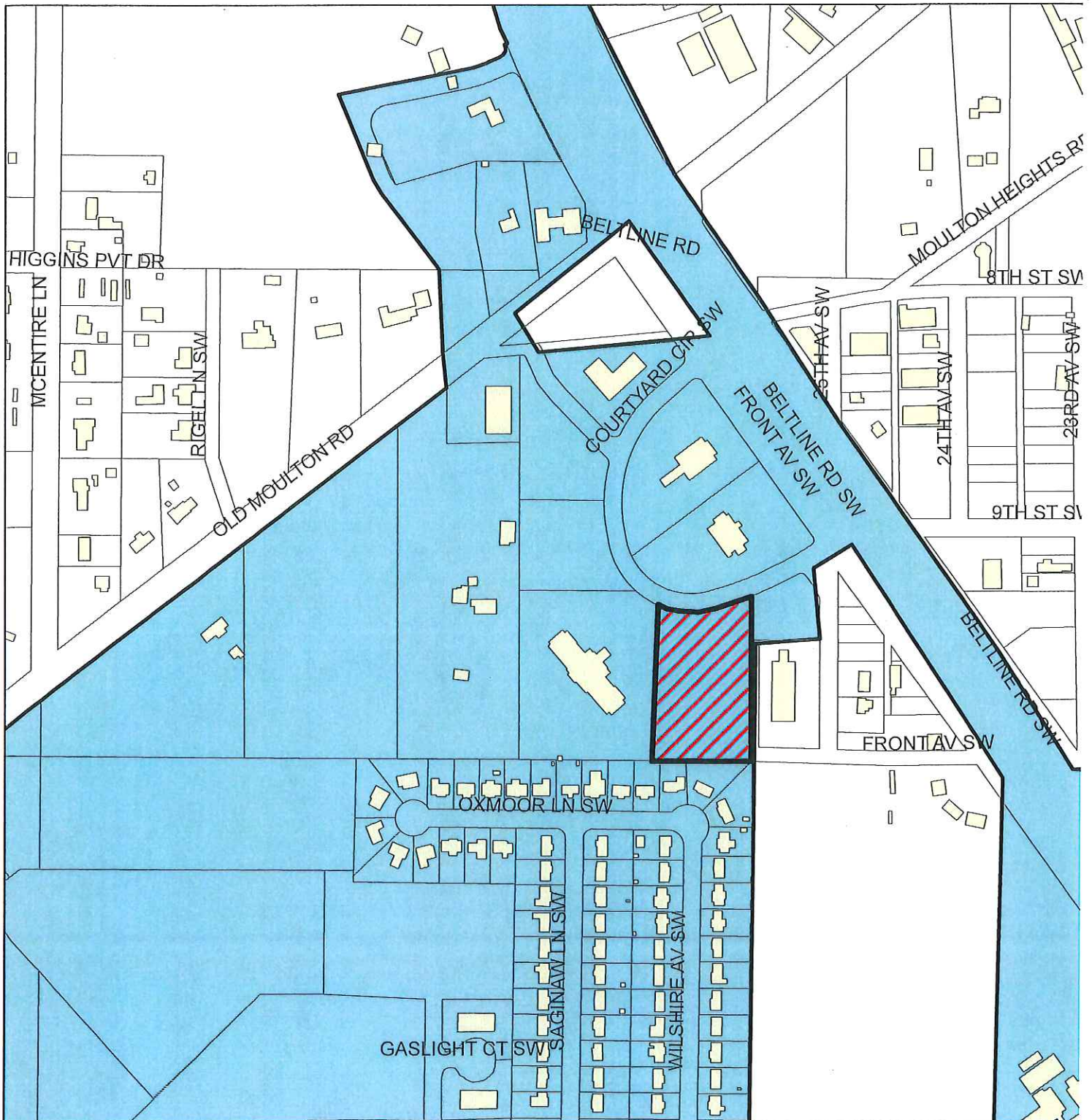
Sincerely,

PUGH WRIGHT McANALLY, INC







Richard W. Humphrey, PE/PLS,

# SITE PLAN NO. 525-15



## Legend

-  Buildings
-  Ownership
-  Corporate Limits
-  **SUBJECT PROPERTY**

## LOCATION MAP

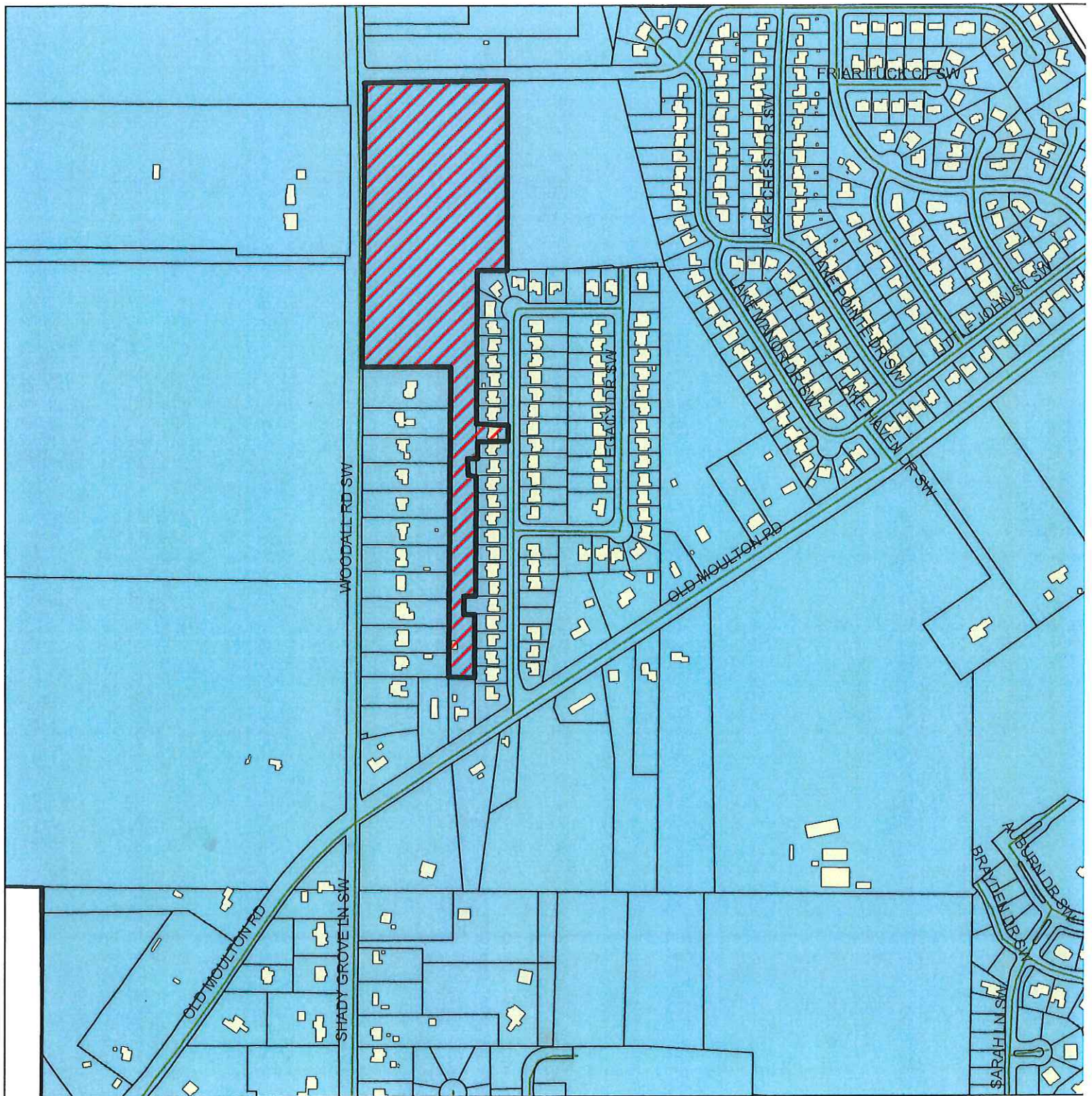
**APPLICANT: YEDLA HOSPITALITY**

**PROPERTY ZONED M-1A**





# CERTIFICATE TO SUBDIVIDE AND CONSOLIDATE NO. 3287-15



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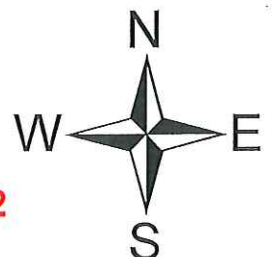
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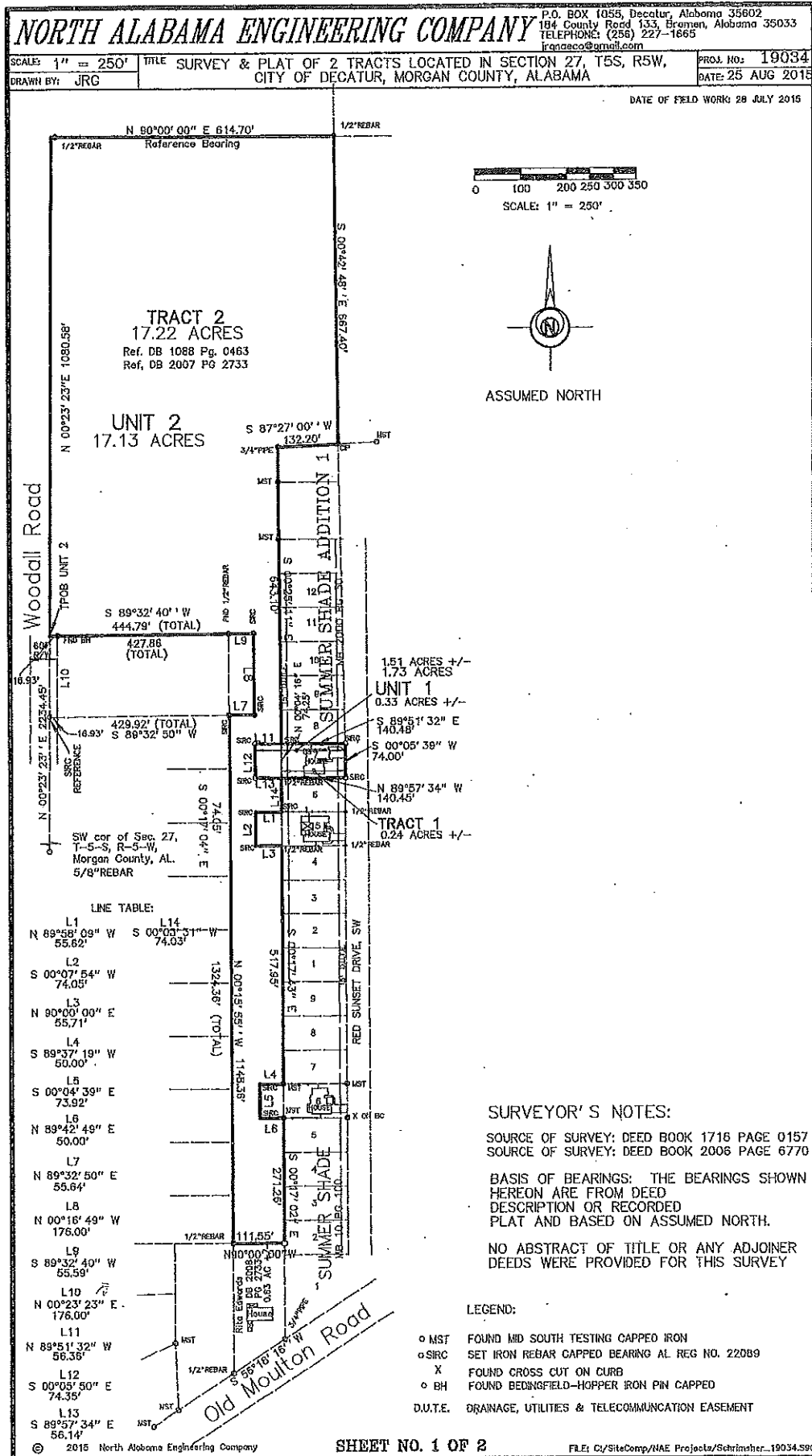
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**PROPERTY ZONED AG-1 AND R-2**



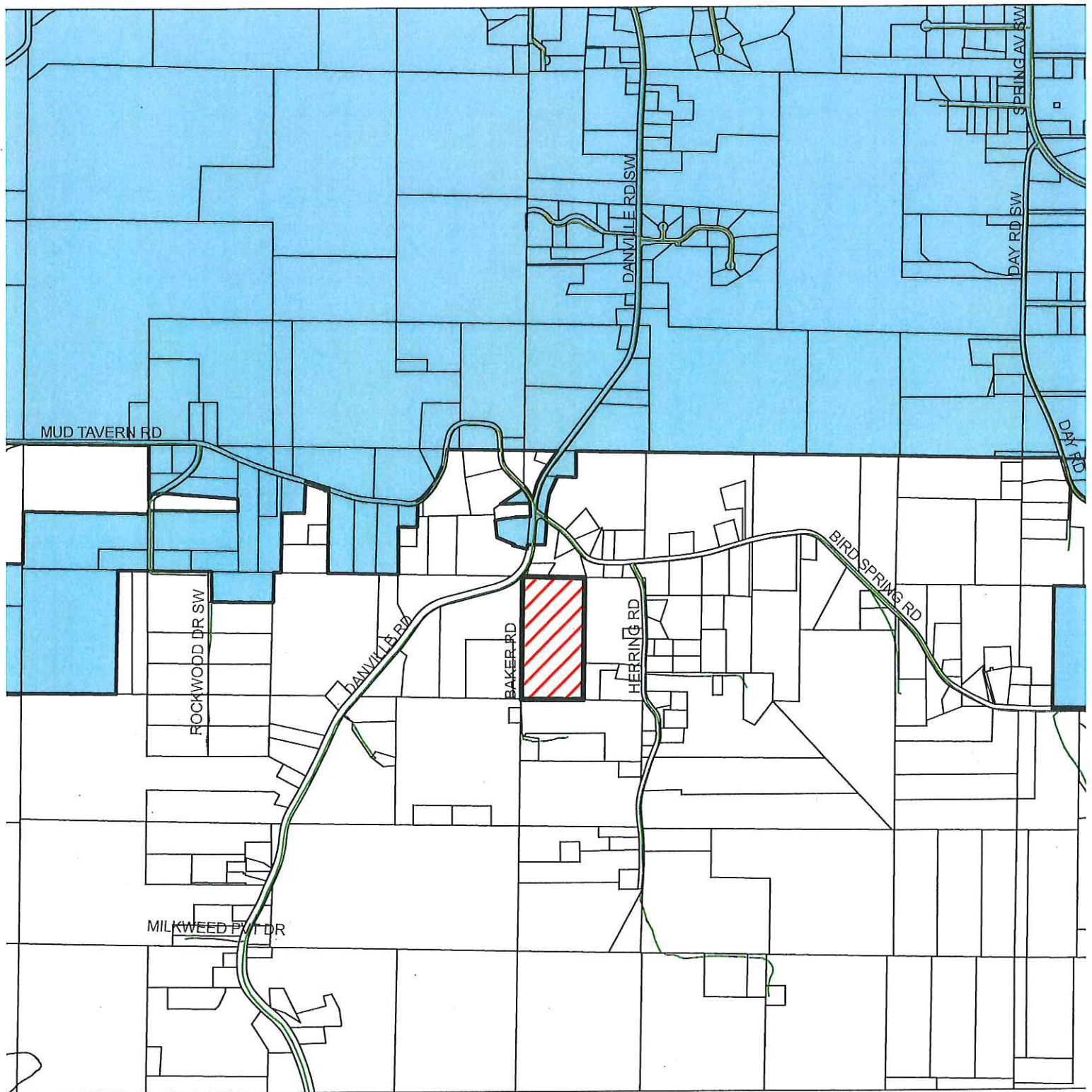
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# CERTIFICATE TO SUBDIVIDE NO. 3288-15



## LOCATION MAP

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**APPLICANT: IDLEWIND LLC**

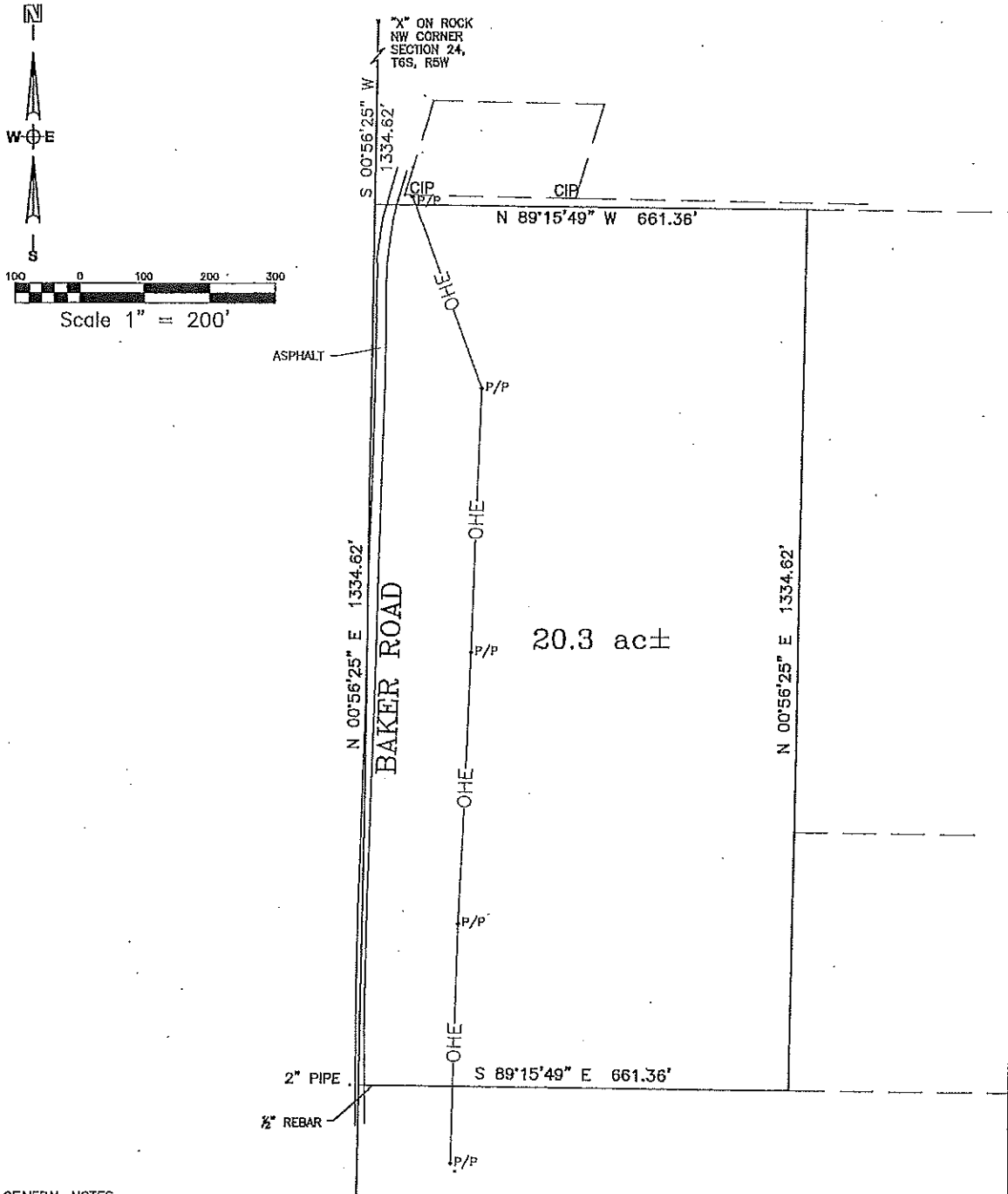
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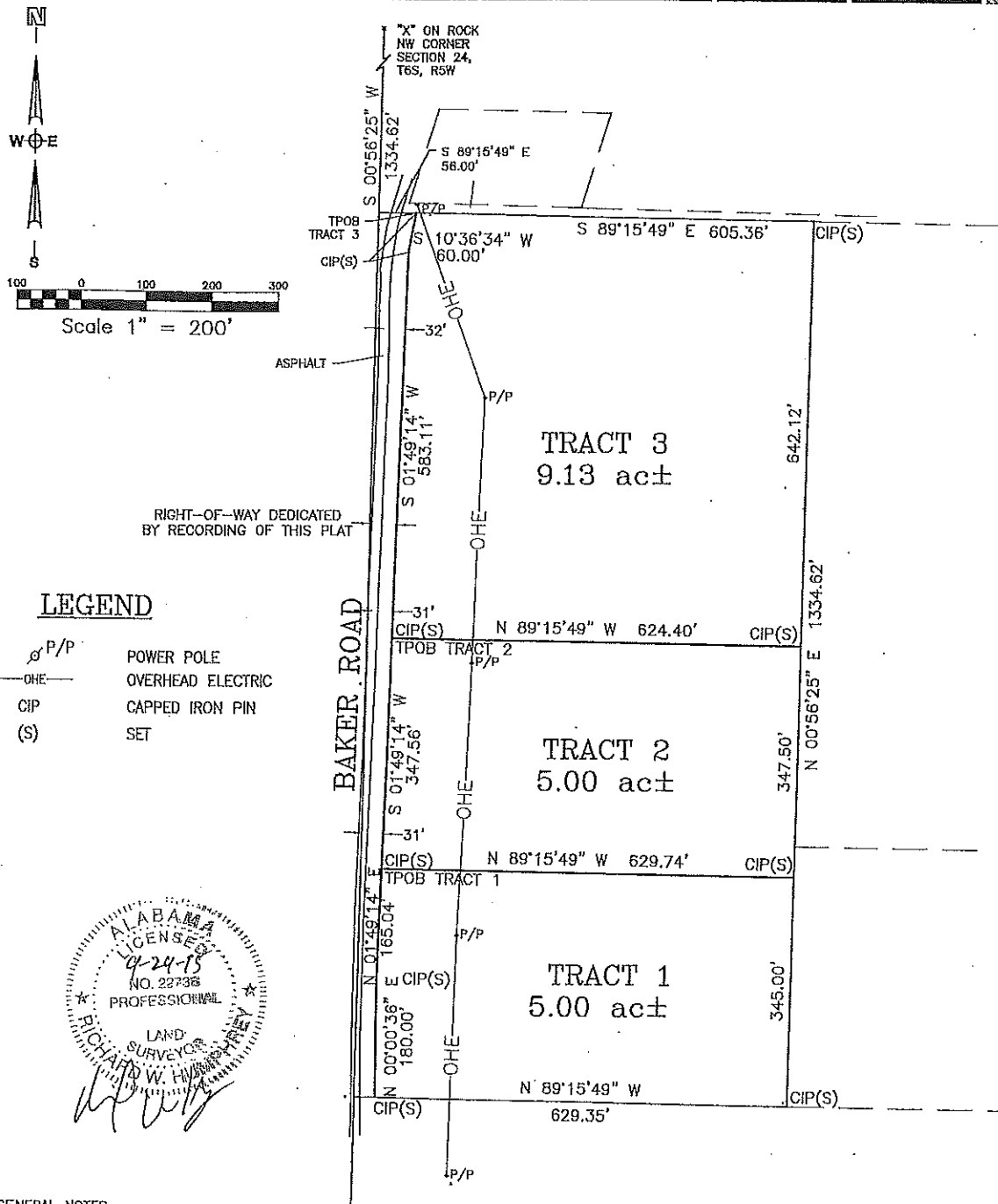


## GENERAL NOTES

1. NORTH REFERENCE IS ALABAMA STATE PLANE GRID, WEST ZONE (NAD83) AS SHOWN HEREON.
2. ALL MEASUREMENTS SHOWN ARE TO U.S. STANDARDS AND ARE FIELD MEASUREMENTS UNLESS OTHERWISE SHOWN
3. SOURCE OF INFORMATION USED FOR SURVEY: D.B. 2004, PG 9112
4. PROPERTY ADDRESS IS BAKER ROAD, DECATUR, AL
5. NO ENCROACHMENTS WERE FOUND ABOVE GROUND EXCEPT AS SHOWN
6. NO SEARCH OF PUBLIC RECORDS HAS BEEN PERFORMED BY THIS FIRM TO DETERMINE IF ANY DEFECTS AND/OR AMBIGUITIES EXIST IN THE TITLE.
7. THERE WAS NO FIELD LOCATION ATTEMPTED TO DETERMINE THE EXTENT OF SUBSURFACE STRUCTURES
8. UNLESS STATED OTHERWISE, GOVERNMENTAL JURISDICTIONAL AREAS OR NEGATIVE EASEMENT, IF ANY, WHICH MIGHT AFFECT THE USE OF THIS PROPERTY WERE NOT LOCATED. THE UNDERSIGNED ASSUMES NO LIABILITY FOR ANY LOSS RESULTING FROM THE EXERCISE OF ANY GOVERNMENTAL JURISDICTION AFFECTING THE USE OF THIS PROPERTY.
9. FIELD WORK WAS COMPLETED SEPTEMBER, 2015.

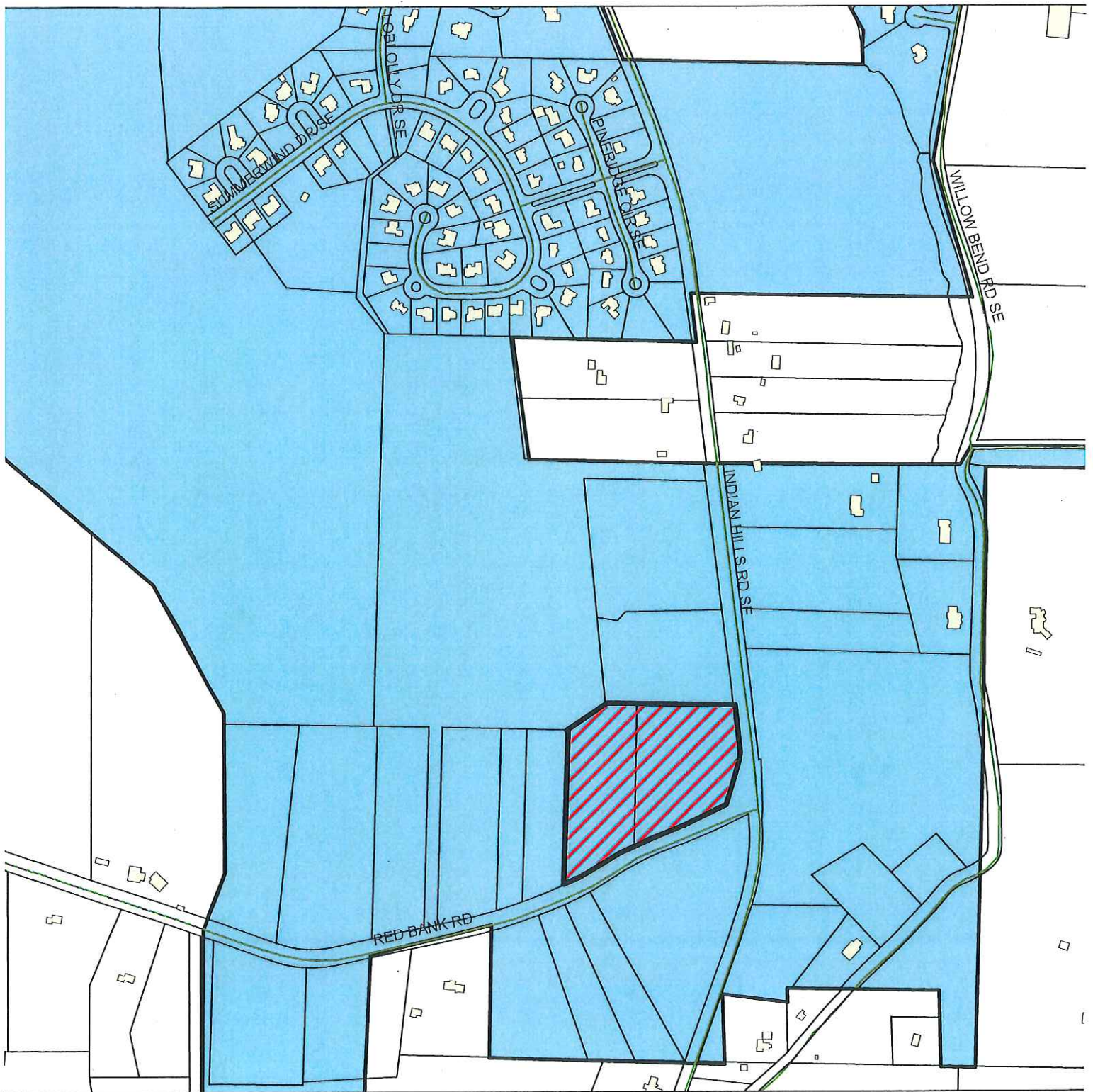
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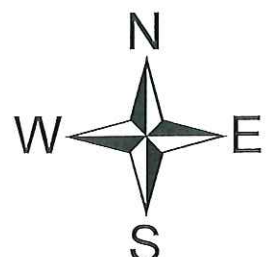
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 **SUBJECT PROPERTY**

**APPLICANT: Jason & Jessie Fortenberry**

**PROPERTY ZONED - R-1E**



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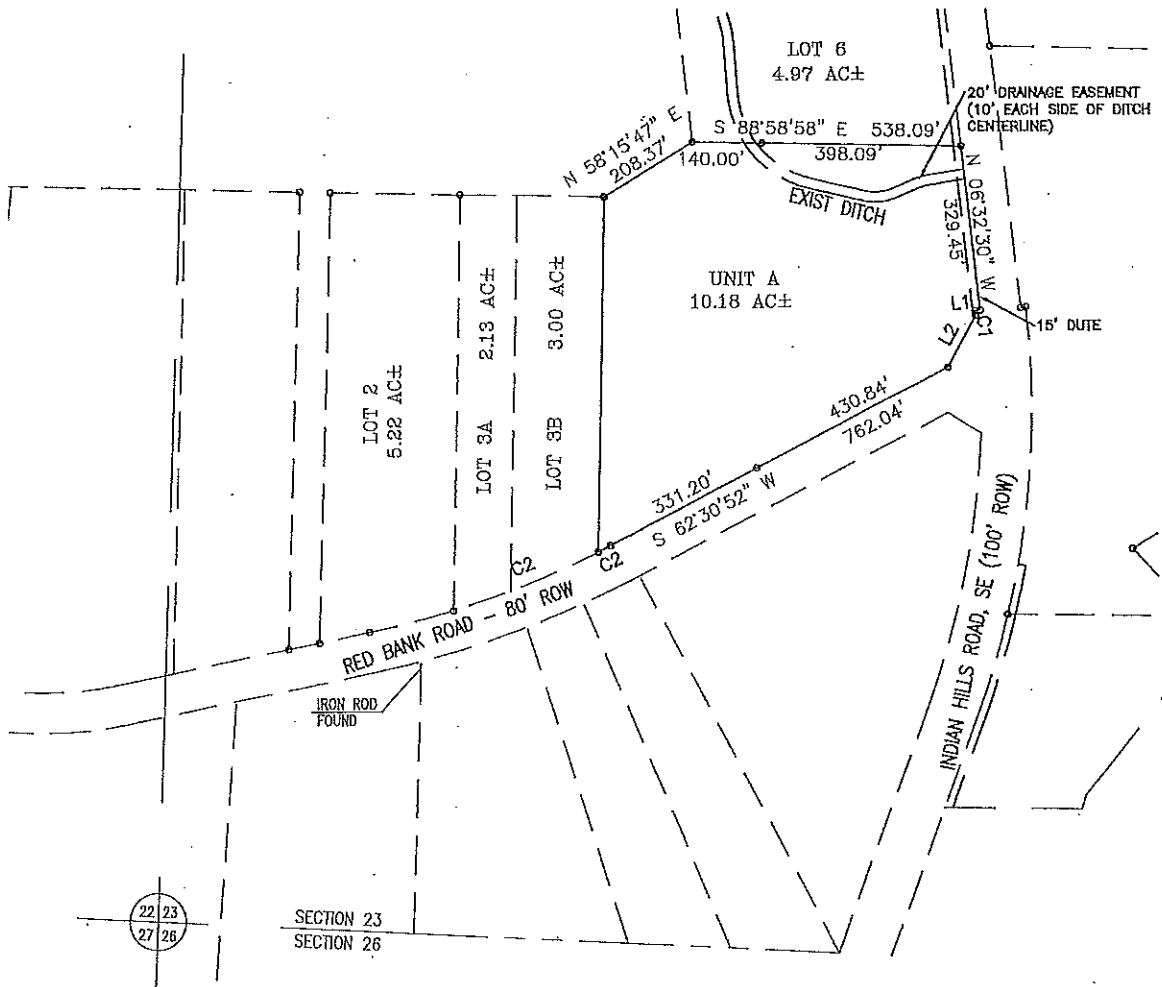
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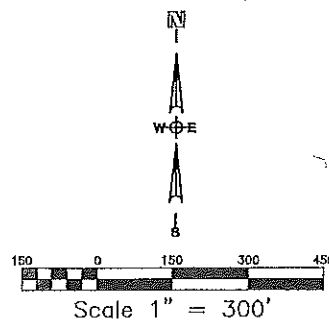
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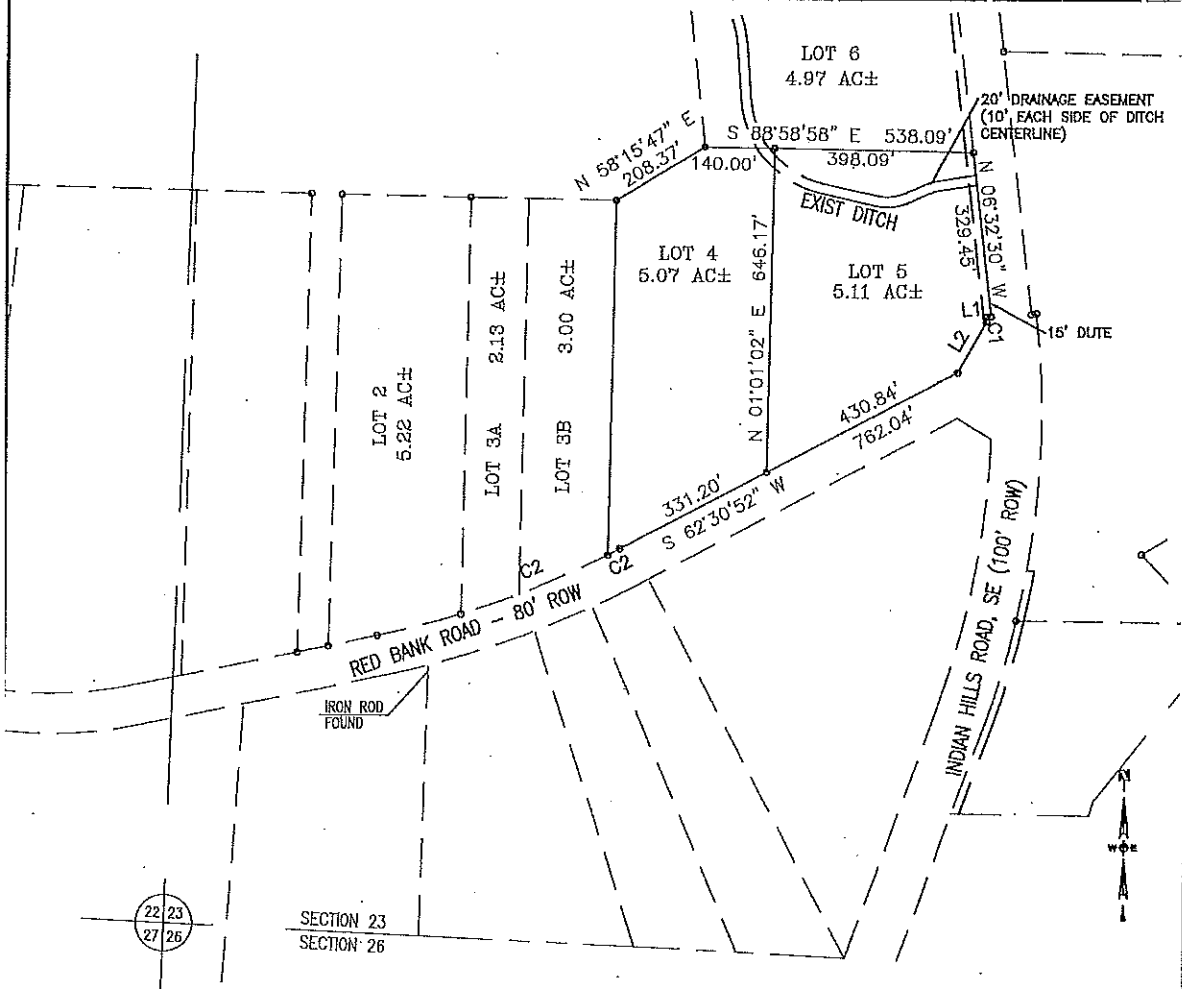


LINE	BEARING	DISTANCE	CURVE	ARC LENGTH	RADIUS	DELTA ANGLE	CHORD BEARING	CHORD LENGTH
L1	N 83°27'30" E	10.00'	C1	9.74'	1688.32'	0°19'50"	N 06°22'36" W	9.74'
L2	N 28°44'45" E	116.38'	C2	27.41'	1869.87'	0°50'24"	N 62°56'05" E	27.41'



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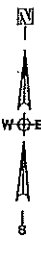
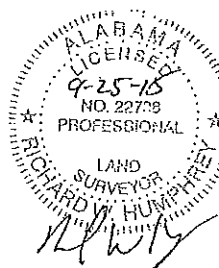
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## GENERAL NOTES

1. NORTH REFERENCE IS PLAT BEARING FROM BURNINGTREE VALLEY SUBDIVISION ADDITION No. 5 AS SHOWN HEREON.
2. ALL MEASUREMENTS SHOWN ARE TO U.S. STANDARDS AND ARE FIELD MEASUREMENTS UNLESS OTHERWISE SHOWN
3. SOURCE OF INFORMATION USED FOR SURVEY: M.B. 2014 PG 8
4. PROPERTY IS LOCATED ON THE NORTH SIDE OF RED BANK ROAD SE, AND WEST SIDE OF INDIAN HILLS ROAD SE, DECATUR, AL 35601
5. NO ENCROACHMENTS WERE FOUND ABOVE GROUND EXCEPT AS SHOWN
6. NO SEARCH OF PUBLIC RECORDS HAS BEEN PERFORMED BY THIS FIRM TO DETERMINE IF ANY DEFECTS AND/OR AMBIGUITIES EXIST IN THE TITLE.
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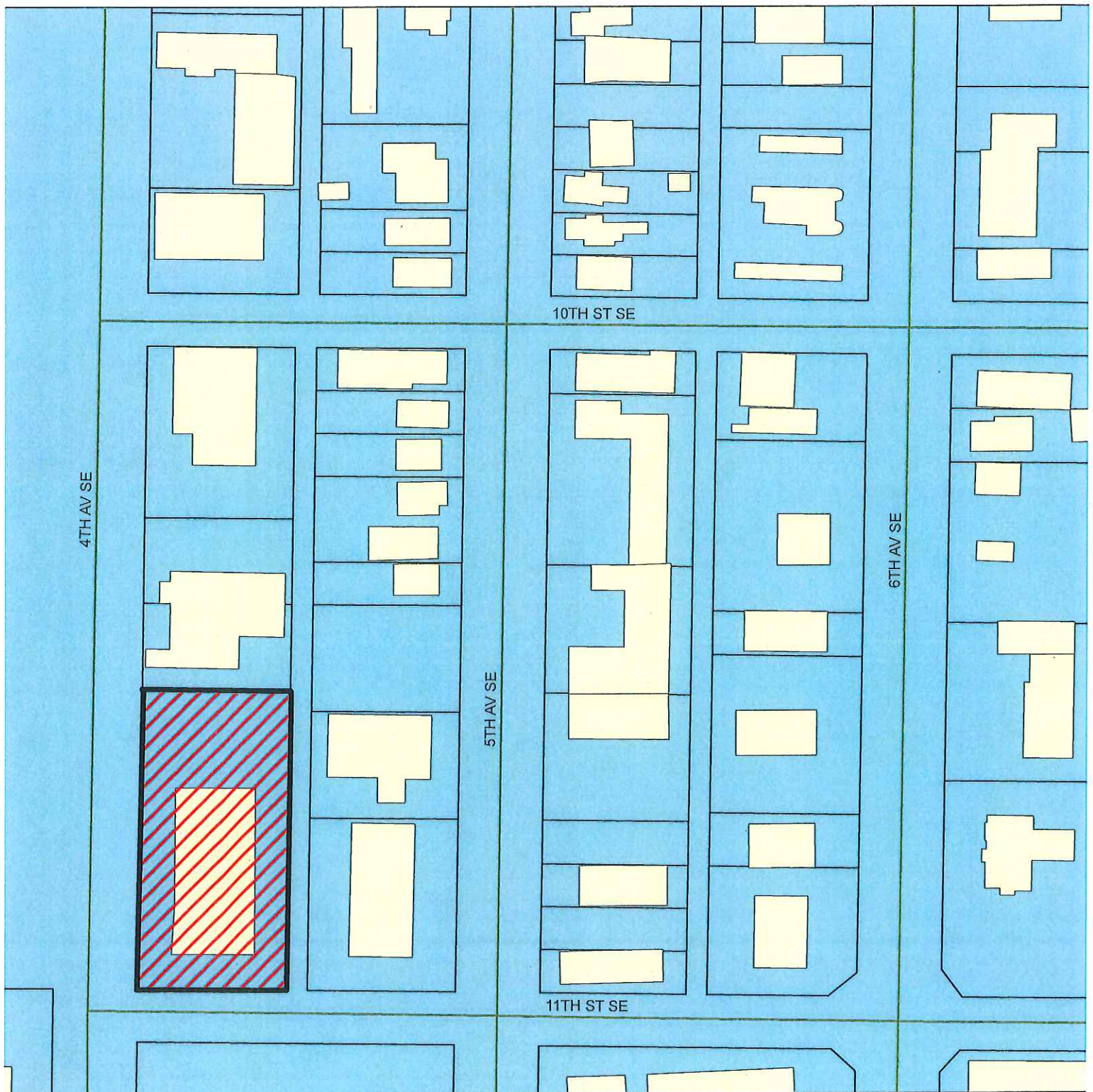
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Scale 1" = 300'





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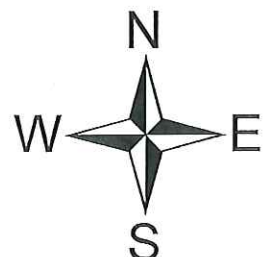
## LOCATION MAP

### Legend

-  Buildings
-  Corporate Limits
-  **SUBJECT PROPERTY**

**APPLICANT: NJL ENTERPRISES, LLC**

**PROPERTY ZONED - RD**

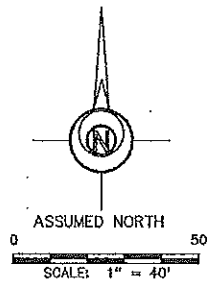


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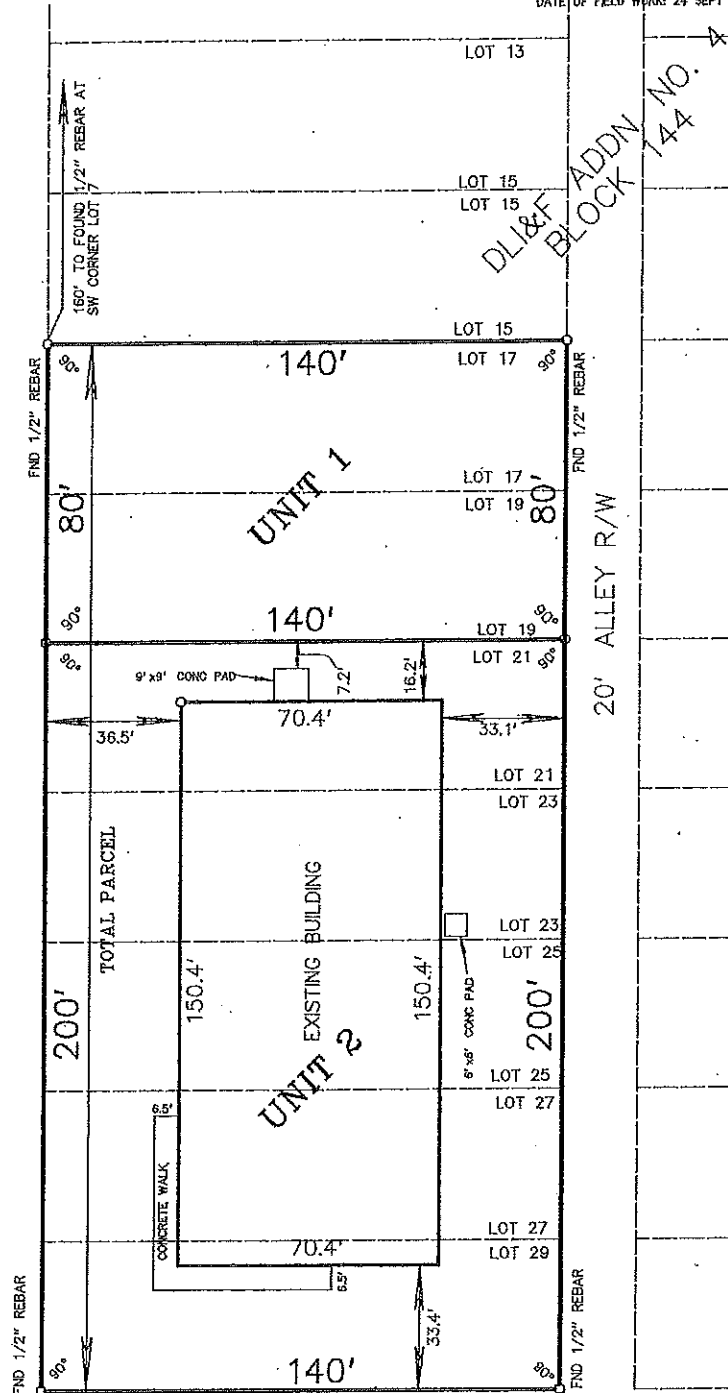
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**NORTH ALABAMA ENGINEERING COMPANY** P.O. BOX 1055, DECATUR, ALABAMA 35602  
184 COUNTY ROAD 133, BREMEN, ALABAMA 35033  
TELEPHONE: (256) 227-1865  
EMAIL: jrg@nae.com

SCALE: 1" = 40' TITLE: SURVEY AND PLAT OF PART OF BLOCK 144, OF ADDITION NO. 4, DECATUR LAND IMPROVEMENT AND FURNACE COMPANY TO DECATUR, AL  
DRAWN BY: JRG PROJ. NO.: 18786 DATE: 9/24/15  
DATE OF FIELD WORK: 24 SEPT 15



4TH AVENUE, SE  
(80' R/W)



**SURVEYOR'S NOTES:**

SOURCE OF SURVEY: DEED BOOK 1804, PAGE 333  
BASIS OF NORTH: ASSUMED  
NO ABSTRACT OF TITLE OR ANY ADJOINER  
DEEDS WERE PROVIDED FOR THIS SURVEY

11TH STREET, SE  
(50' R/W)

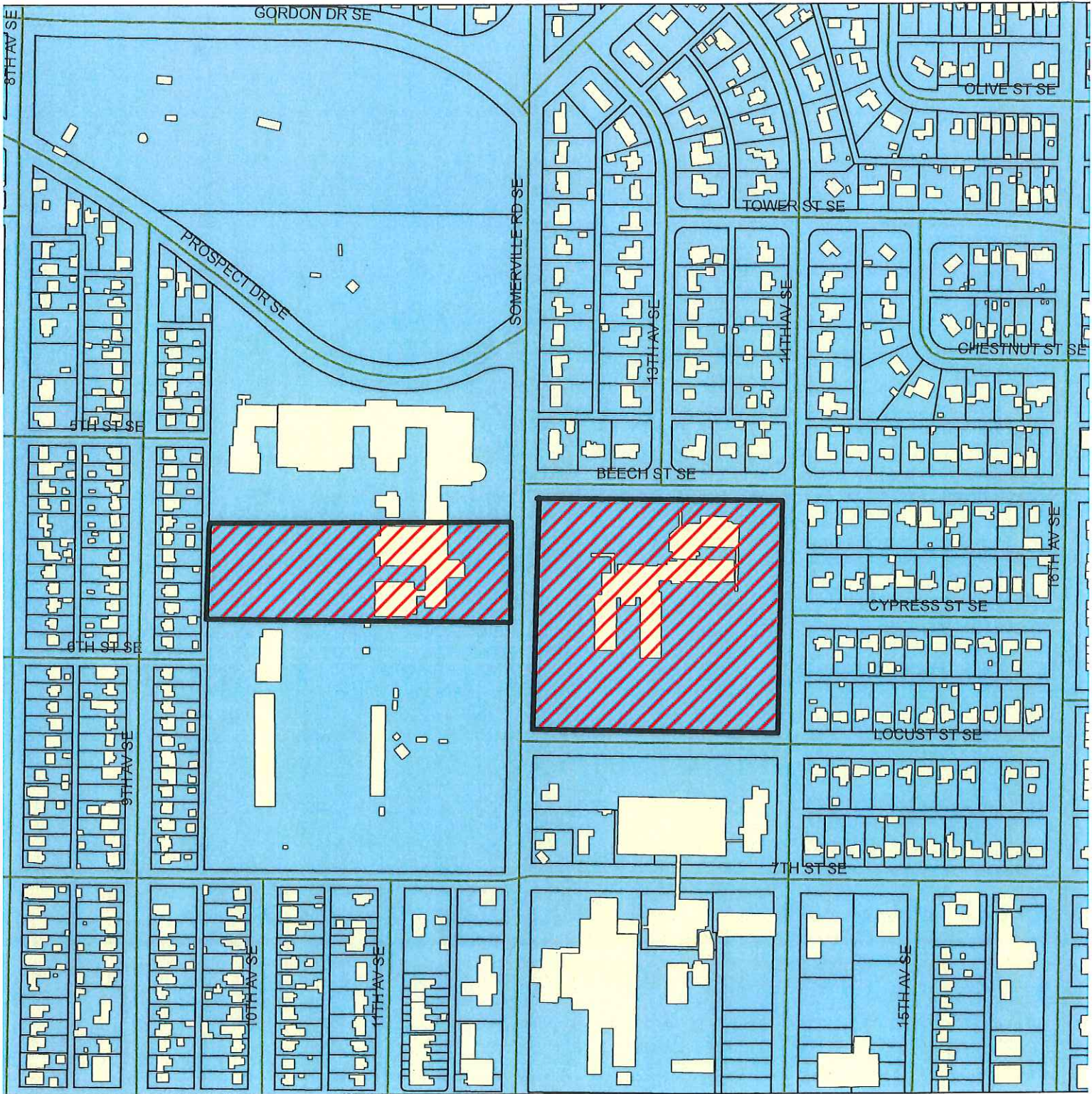
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SHEET NO. 1 OF 2




# SITE PLAN NO. 533-15



## LOCATION MAP

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-  Corporate Limits
-  SUBJECT PROPERTY

APPLICANT: CITY OF DECATUR BOARD OF EDUCATION

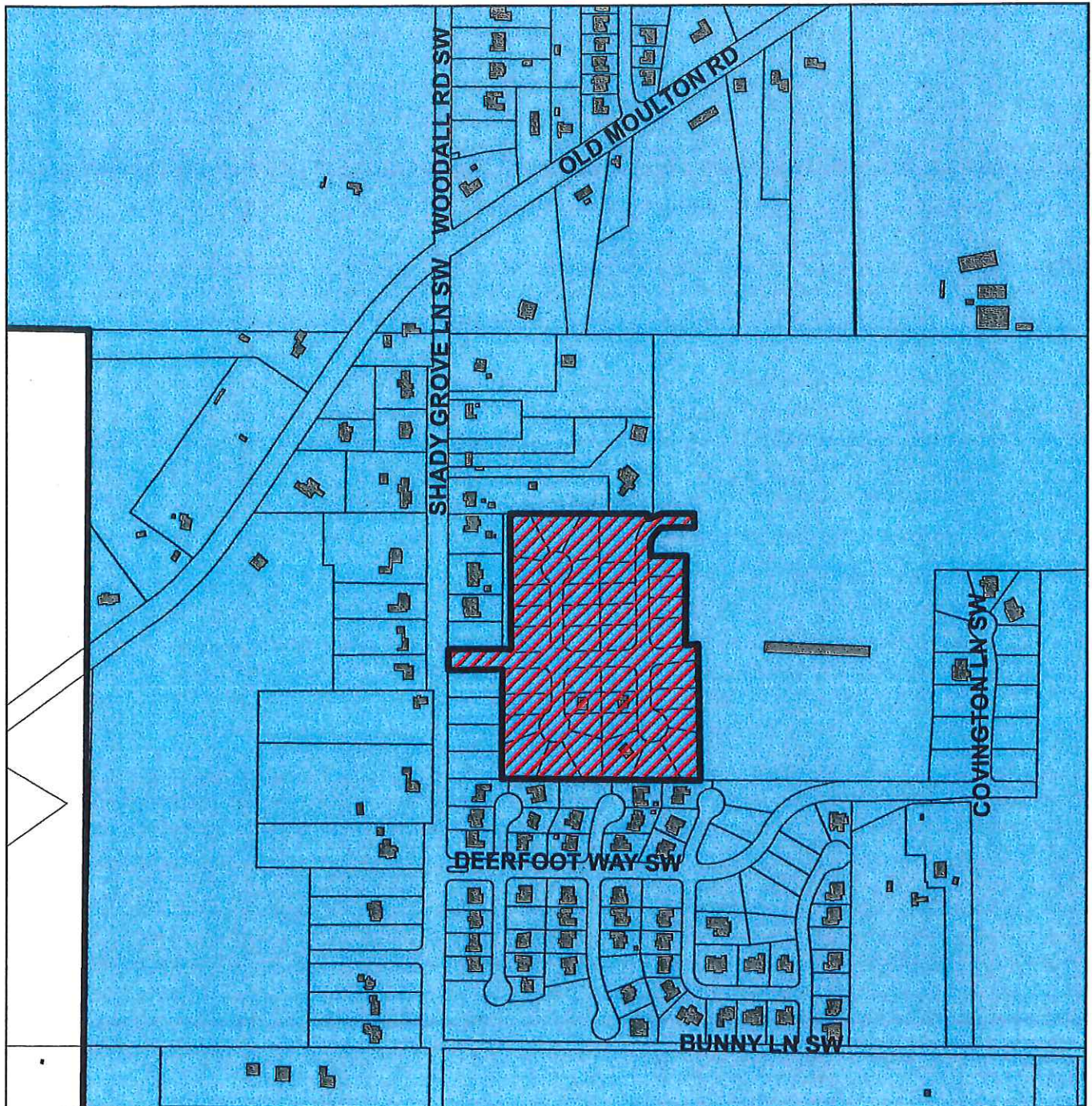
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# BOND REVIEW PRINCETON PLACE SUBDIVISION



## Legend



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## LOCATION MAP

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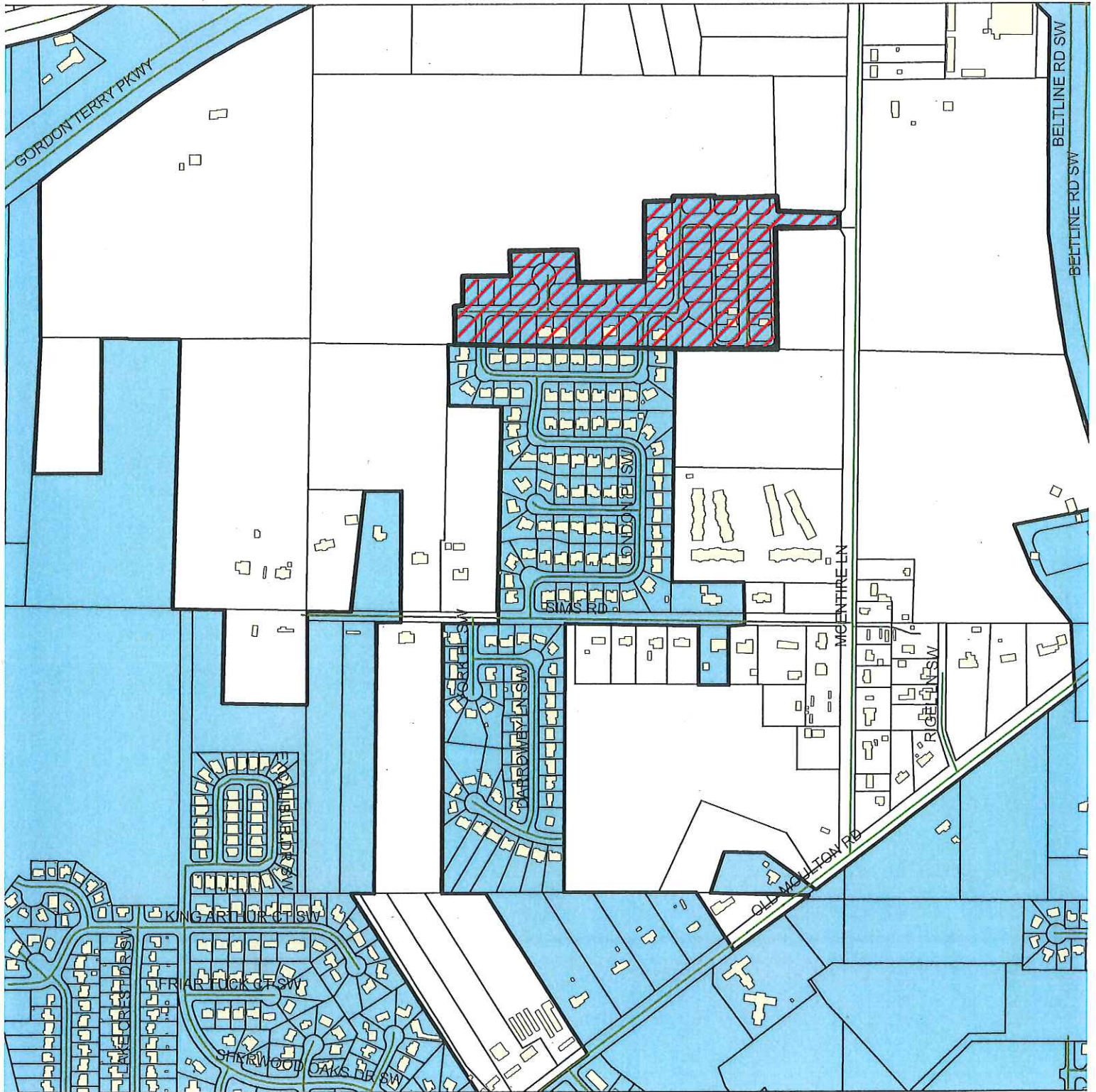
**APPLICANT: DANNY HILL**

**ZONED R-3**

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# BOND REVIEW - WINDSOR PLACE






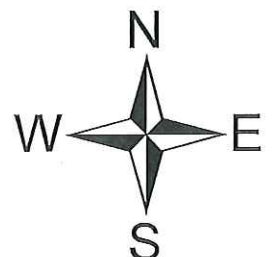
## LOCATION MAP

APPLICANT: LITRELL DEVELOPMENT, INC.

PROPERTY ZONED - R3 & R5

### Legend

-  Buildings
-  Corporate Limits
-  SUBJECT PROPERTY



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*A Grand City* on a CHARMING SCALE

**Planning Department**

October 14, 2015

Honorable Mayor and City Council  
City of Decatur  
P.O. Box 488  
Decatur, AL 35602

RE: Annexation Moratorium – 2016 Election Voting District Map Update

Gentlemen:

We will need to make some adjustments to our maps based on annexations since the last election. Changes in our districts and precincts also impact Morgan County and the Board of Registrars. It is best for the electorate if we minimize the changes and cause the least possible amount of changes to voting places. In order to do this and provide the information to the County we need to provide them the information on the new districts and precincts by November 3, 2015 so that they can change their maps and precincts to reflect our changes. They will then notify the voters impacted by the changes.

These changes must be adopted by the city in an ordinance at a later date. We will provide this information for adoption before the end of the year.

WE ASK THAT A MORATORIUM ON ANNEXATIONS INTO DECATUR BEGIN November 3, 2015 in order to meet that schedule. I have attached the requested moratorium resolution.

Sincerely,

Karen J. Smith

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CC: Herman Marks, City Attorney  
Stacy Gilley, City Clerk  
Dr. Ed Nichols, Superintendent, Decatur City Schools

RESOLUTION \_\_\_\_\_

**WHEREAS, in order for the City of Decatur** to ready itself for its local general election in August of 2016, and any subsequent election runoff in September (if needed); and

**WHEREAS, in order for the Morgan County Board of Registrars** to ready itself for the Presidential Primary and state wide election in March of 2016, and any subsequent primary runoff in April, 2016; and

**WHEREAS, the official Decatur Voting Precinct and District Map** must be updated to show current voting places, and all changes in precinct and district boundaries due to adjustment made to reflect annexations since the 2012 election;

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the City Council of the City of Decatur, Alabama that it does hereby declare a moratorium on annexations or any further changes to its municipal corporate limits until after the November 8, 2016 general election.

Adopted this the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2015