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Mr. Kent Marsh City of Grand Junction Community Development 250 North 5th Street Grand Junction, Colorado 81501

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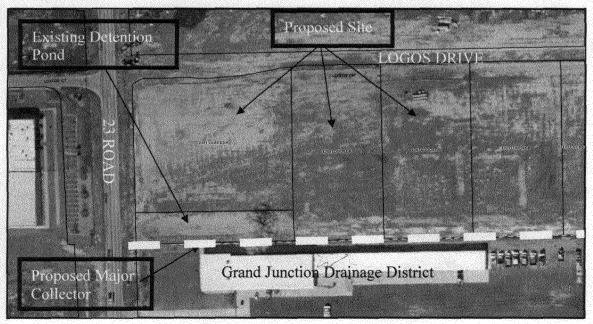
Re: Request for TEDS Exemption - 2301 Logos Drive

Dear Mr. Marsh:

The purpose of this letter is to request an exemption from City of Grand Junction's Transportation Engineering Design Standards (TEDS) Section 4.1.1 Spacing for the site located at 2301 Logos Drive in Grand Junction, Colorado.

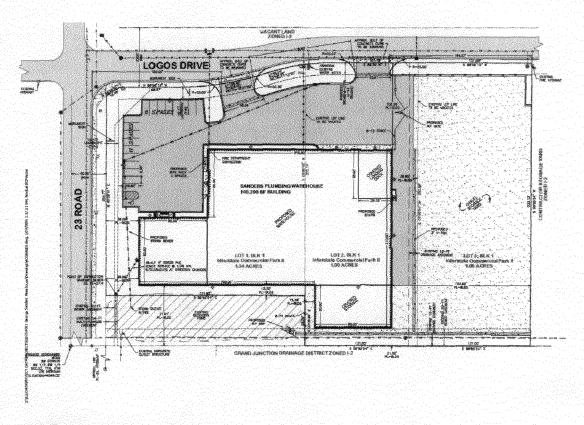
Existing Site Conditions

The existing site is vacant property that has approximately 235 feet of frontage along 23 Road, which is classified as a Minor Arterial Street according to the Grand Valley Circulation Plan, and approximately 500 feet along Logos Drive, which is classified as a Local Industrial Street. According to the Grand Valley Circulation Plan, a Major Collector roadway is proposed at the south side of the subject property and adjoining properties. As discussed at the preapplication plan review meeting, this proposed alignment is not practical due to an existing storm water detention pond and existing development in the subdivision. The most logical solution is to shift the proposed alignment north to align with Logos Drive which causes Logos Drive to become a Major Collector street.



Proposed Site Improvements

McCauley Constructors, Inc. is proposing to construct a 45,200 square foot warehouse facility on the site. There are two proposed access locations to the site which will originate off Logos Drive. The westerly access, located 150-ft west of 23 Road, will be dedicated for passenger cars and small delivery trucks. The easterly access, located approximately 310-ft east of 23 Road, is designed for semi-truck and larger delivery vehicles and access to the storage yard along the eastern portion of the project site.



TEDS Requirements

TEDS Section 4.1.1, Spacing, requires a minimum of 50 feet between driveways on local commercial and industrial streets and a minimum of 150 feet on collector streets.

Logos Drive was designed and constructed as an industrial street section. If the Grand Valley Circulation Plan is amended to change Logos Drive to a Major Collector, all driveways spaced on this roadway are be spaced a minimum of 150-ft feet apart.

The applicant is requesting an exemption from the 150-ft spacing between driveways. The design the applicant has proposed provides 126.51-ft between the two site access locations.

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Alternative Options

Alternative one would keep Logos Drive as an industrial street classification and dedicate 30-ft of ½-ROW at the south end of the site for the future major collector street. This alternative is not very practical because it would eliminate the stormwater detention pond that was established for all of the lots within the subdivision. This option also would significantly impact the Grand Junction Drainage District's shop and office area.

Alternative two would be to adjust the location of the eastern most site access point to provide 150-ft of separation. This adjustment would require the access to shift approximately 23.5-ft to the east, which will impact an existing single inlet storm sewer drain. In addition to impacting the existing storm inlet, this option makes access to the semi-truck loading dock area more difficult.

Alternative three would be to grant the exemption and allow the driveways to be separated by 126.51-ft. Granting this request does not present any additional safety concerns. The proposed site plan provides 150-ft spacing separation from 23 Road and the primary site access point for most of the vehicles that enter and exit the facility. From a safety standpoint, the separation between 23 Road and the first site access point is the most critical because this spacing is necessary to provide space for vehicles to stack at the 23 Road intersection. The eastern most access point will be used primarily by large semi-trucks which is a better location because the trucks will need to swing into the oncoming traffic lane in order to make the turn into the site because the access width cannot be wider than 40-ft. Shifting the access an additional 23-ft to the east will not provide any additional degree of safety and does not cause any problems with adjacent site access points because there are no adjacent site accesses. This project reduces the number of potential accesses on Logos drive by combining three lots and reduces access to two locations.

We believe alternative three, granting a 23.5-ft exemption to Section 4.1.1 of the TEDS, is the best compromise for both the City and the applicant. The 23.5-ft exemption does not create any additional safety issues from an access standpoint and minimizes the impacts to the existing stormwater infrastructure. If you have any additional questions or concerns, please give me a call at 242-7540.

Sincerely,

Austin Civil Cyoup, Inc.

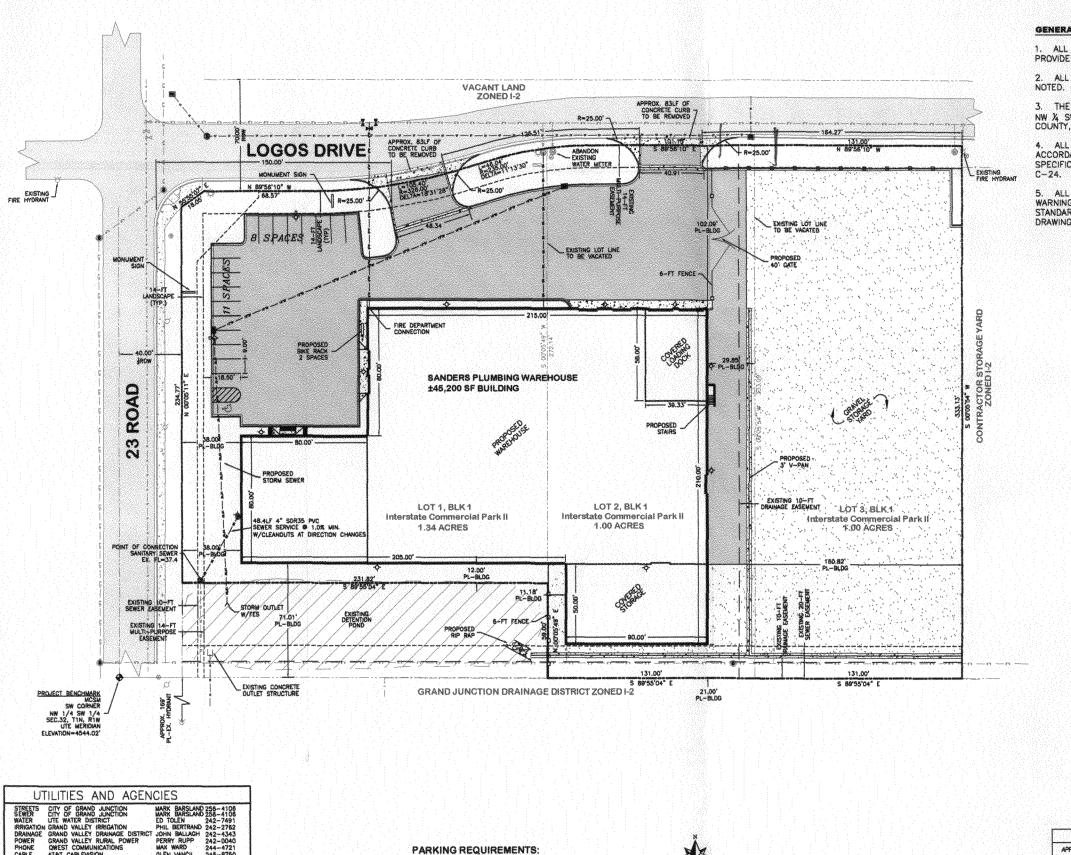
Mark Austin, P.E.

President

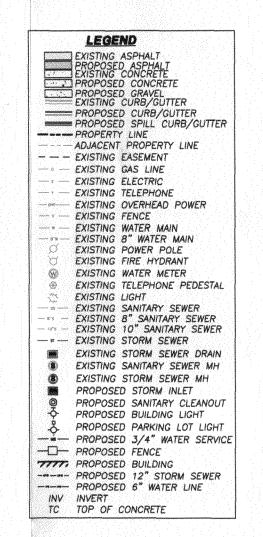
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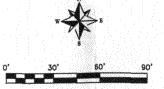
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LAND USE SUMMARY

2,300 SF Public Area @ 1SP/500 SF = 5 Spaces 8 Employees @ 1.1SP/Employee= 9 Spaces Total Spaces Required = 14 Spaces Total Spaces Provided = 19 Spaces



CITY OF GRAND JUNCTION COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT APPROVED FOR CONSTRUCTION FOR ONE YEAR FROM THIS DATE.

CITY OF GRAND JUNCTION ENGINEERING APPROVED FOR CONSTRUCTION FOR ONE YEAR FROM THIS DATE. ACCEPTED AS CONSTRUCTE

"All details, construction, inspections, and testing shall conto the City of Grand Junction Standard Contract Document for Capital Improvements Construction. Contractor shall have copy of the accepted plans and current City of Grand Junction Standard Documents for Capital Improvements Construction on site and available at all times."



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January 27, 2006

Austin Civil Group, Inc. Mark Austin 336 Main Street, Suite 203 Grand Junction, CO 81501

Re: Design Exception #DE04-06- Driveway Spacing for 2301 Logos Drive

Dear Mr. Austin:

Please find attached the committee's decision for the above referenced request. This design exception has been denied.

If you have any questions concerning this decision, please feel free to contact the Development Engineer in charge of your project or Tim Moore, Public Works Manager at (970) 244-1557.

Sincerely,

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Sr. Administrative Assistant

Xc: Kent Marsh, Development Engineer (244-1451)



DESIGN EXCEPTION #4-06

To: Mark Relph, Director of Public Works & Utilities

Bob Blanchard, Director of Community Development

Rick Beaty, Fire Chief

From: Tim Moore, Public Works Manager

Copy to: Kent Marsh

Date: January 24, 2006

RE: Driveway spacing for 2301 Logos Drive

DESCRIPTION OF THE SITUATION

Mark Austin, Austin Consulting Group has submitted aTEDS Exception on behalf of his client McCauley Constructors, Inc. "McCauley Constructors, Inc. is proposing to construct a 45,200 square foot warehouse facility on the site (2301 Logos Drive). There are two proposed access locations to the site which will originate off Logos Drive. The westerly access, located 150-ft west of 23 Road, will be dedicated for passenger cars and small delivery trucks The easterly access, located approximately 310-ft east of 23 Road, is designed for semi-truck and larger delivery vehicles and access to the storage yard along the eastern portion of the project site."

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The alignment shown on the G.V.C.P. creates numerous double frontage lots as well. Therefore, the G.V.C.P. will be revised to show the new collector roadway along the Logos Drive alignment.

EXCEPTION CONSIDERATIONS

1. Will the exception compromise safety?

Staff does not believe the proposed exception will create a safety issue as long as driveways on the opposite side of the roadway align with the new driveways into this site (aligning driveways will help prevent conflicts between left turning vehicles in the center turn lane when it's constructed in the future).

2. Have other alternatives been considered that would meet the standard?

Yes, the applicant has considered shifting the access east 23.5-ft. Shifting the access east will impact an existing single inlet and the applicant indicates that location makes access to the semi-truck loading dock area more difficult.

3. Has the proposed design been used in other areas?

There are many instances within the City of Grand Junction where existing driveways do not meet the spacing and offset requirements contained within the TEDS manual.

4. Will the exception require CDOT or FHWA coordination?

No

5. Is this a one-time exception or a manual revision?

This would be a one-time exception.

Staff Recommendation

Staff recommends denial of the request. The TEDS standard for spacing can be met by shifting the eastern driveway approximately 23.5 feet to the east. Additionally Staff recommends the east driveway be constructed on the eastern property line and the applicant execute a cross access easement with the undeveloped lot to the east (Lot 3) and plan to share this access point with Lot 3.

Recommended by:
Approved as Requested:
Approved as Modified:
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Dated: 125/06
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