

## COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

1420 Miner Street Des Plaines, IL 60016 P: 847.391.5306 desplaines.org

#### MEMORANDUM

Date: April 7, 2022

To: Planning and Zoning Board (PZB)

From: John T. Carlisle, AICP, Director of Community and Economic Development \*\*

Jonathan Stytz, Senior Planner

Subject: Proposed Mixed-Use Residential, Commercial, and Parking Development at

Graceland and Webford Avenues (622 Graceland, 1332-1368 Webford): Zoning Map Amendment, Major Variations, and Tentative Plat of Subdivision

**Issue:** To allow a proposed mixed-use development, the petitioner is requesting a Map Amendment (rezoning) under Section 12-3-7 of the Zoning Ordinance. In addition, they are seeking Major Variations under Section 12-3-6 to accommodate a row of outdoor off-street parking spaces and one loading space that would require relief in the following ways: (i) location in the required side yard (Section 12-7-3-H.5.b.), (ii) parking space curb and gutter within 3.5 feet of the lot line (Section 12-9-6.D.), (iii) a landscape strip that does not separate the parking spaces from the sidewalk (Section 12-9-6.F), and (iv) landscaping adjacent to parking that does not strictly adhere to requirements (Section 12-10-B).

In addition, to consolidate three lots of record into one, the petitioner is requesting approval of a Tentative Plat under Chapter 2 of Title 13 of the Subdivision Regulations.

Owners: Wessell Holdings, LLC (622 Graceland, 1368 Webford) and City of Des

Plaines (1332 Webford)

**Petitioner:** 622 Graceland Apartments, LLC (Compasspoint Development;

Principal: Joe Taylor)

Case Number: 21-052-MAP-TSUB-V

PINs: 09-17-306-036-0000; 09-17-306-038-0000; 09-17-306-040-0000

Ward: #3, Alderman Sean Oskerka

**Existing Zoning:** C-3 General Commercial (proposed C-5 Central Business)

**Existing and Historical** 

Land Use: The principal building at 622 Graceland is currently the headquarters of the

Journal & Topics newspaper. According to the Des Plaines History Center, it

was constructed as a Post Office in 1941 under the Works Progress Administration (WPA). A smaller accessory building is also part of the Journal & Topics property. At 1332 Webford is a 38-space surface parking lot owned by the City of Des Plaines and used for public parking, both time-limited (14 spaces) and permit-restricted (24 spaces).

**Surrounding Zoning:** North: Railroad tracks; then C-3 General Commercial District

South: C-3, General Commercial / R-1 Single-Family Residential Districts

East: C-5, Central Business District West: C-3, General Commercial District

**Surrounding Land Use:** North: Union Pacific Railroad (Metra UP-Northwest Line); then a Pharmacy

South: Commercial building (850 Graceland), United Methodist Church parking lot, single-family detached home in commercial district (1347 Webford), single-family detached homes in residential district (1333

and 1339 Webford)

East: Mixed-use residential and commercial (Bayview-Compasspoint

project under construction at 1425 Ellinwood)

West: Commercial building (1330 Webford), followed by multiple-family

dwelling (1328 Webford)

**Street Classification:** Graceland Avenue is an arterial, and Webford Avenue is a local roadway.

#### Project Summary: Overall

Petitioner 622 Graceland Apartments LLC (Joe Taylor, Compasspoint Development) proposes a full redevelopment of a just-less-than-one-acre zoning lot (43,500 square feet) at the northwest corner of Graceland Avenue and Webford Avenue. The proposed project would be a mix of residential and commercial space with indoor and outdoor parking. A proposed 82-foot-tall building would contain 131 multiple-family dwelling units – 17 studios, 103 one-bedrooms, and 11 two-bedrooms – on the third through seventh floors. Approximately 2,800 net square feet of an open-to-the-public restaurant and lounge would occupy portions of the first (ground) and second floors. Proposed resident amenities are a coworking office space, a fitness area, lounges and meeting rooms, a club room with bar, a multimedia/game lounge, a dog run and dog wash, and an outdoor swimming pool and recreation deck. The proposed building in all is approximately 187,00 square feet.

The redevelopment includes a 179-space attached indoor parking garage and a 16-space outdoor row of permeable-surface parking for a total of 195 spaces, with one proposed outdoor loading space. These 195 spaces are intended to fulfill the off-street parking minimum for the residential units and the restaurant-lounge, as well as create a supply of public parking in lieu of the current 1332 Webford lot. The 16 outdoor spaces, while proposed on private property, would be accessible via a direct turn from Webford. The segment of Webford alongside the subject property, is proposed to widen to 28 feet from curb to curb within existing public right-of-way. With the consent of the property owners, the petitioner is seeking zoning and subdivision approvals.

#### **Request Summary:**

#### **Map Amendment**

To accommodate the multiple-family dwelling use above the first floor, as well the proposed building's desired bulk and scale, the petitioner is seeking a Map Amendment (rezoning) from the C-3 General Commercial District to the C-5 Central Business District. C-5 zoning exists on the east side of Graceland but currently is not present west of Graceland. The zoning change is essential for project feasibility, so the staff review of the project is based largely on C-5 allowances and requirements. Without rezoning to C-5, much of the rest of the consideration is moot.

Table 1 compares selected use requirements, and Table 2 compares bulk requirements, each focusing on what the petitioner is proposing as well as how the districts differ in what is allowed at the subject property. The C-3 district is generally more permissive from a *use* standpoint, and the C-5 district is more permissive from a *bulk* standpoint.

Table 1. Use Regulations Comparison, Excerpt from Section 12-7-3.K

Use	C-3	C-5
Car wash	C	
Center, Childcare	C	$C^{10}$
Center, Adult Day Service	C	$C^{10}$
Commercial Outdoor Recreation	C	
Commercial Shopping Center	P	
Consumer Lender	С	
Convenience Mart Fueling Station	$C^4$	
Domestic Pet Service	$C^{11,12}$	
Dwellings, Multiple-Family		<b>P</b> <sup>3</sup>
Leasing/Rental Agents, Equipment	С	
Motor Vehicle Sales	$C^5$	
Government Facility		P
Radio Transmitting Towers, Public	С	
Broadcasting		
Restaurants (Class A and Class B)	P	P
Taverns and Lounges	P	P
Offices	P	P
Hotels	P	P

 $P = Permitted\ Use;\ C = Conditional\ Use\ required;\ -- = Not\ possible\ in\ the\ district\ at\ subject\ property$ 

#### Notes:

- 3. When above the first floor only.
- 4. On sites of 20,000 square feet or more.
- 5. On sites of 25,000 square feet or more. For proposed sites of less than 25,000 square feet but more than 22,000 square feet, the City Council may consider additional factors, including, but not limited to, traffic, economic and other conditions of the area, or proposed business and

site plan issues in considering whether to grant a conditional use for a used car business of less than 25,000 square feet but more than 22,000 square feet.

- 10. Except on Miner Street, Ellinwood Street or Lee Street.
- 11. Outdoor kennels are not allowed.
- 12. Outdoor runs are allowed.

Table 2. Bulk Regulations Comparison, Excerpt from Section 12-7-3.L

<b>Bulk Control</b>	C-3	C-5
Maximum Height	45 feet	100 feet
Minimum Front Yard <sup>1</sup>		
-Adjacent Residential:	-Setback of Adjacent	-Setback of Adjacent
	Residential district	Residential district
-Adjacent Other:	-5 feet	-Not applicable
Minimum Side Yard		
-Adjacent Residential:	-Setback of Adjacent	-Setback of Adjacent
	Residential district	Residential district
-Adjacent Other:	-5 feet if abutting street	-5 feet if abutting street
Minimum Rear Yard		
-Adjacent Residential:	-25 feet or 20% of lot	-25 feet or 20% of lot
	depth, whichever is less	depth, whichever is less
-Adjacent Other:	-5 feet if abutting street	-Not applicable

#### Notes:

1. With respect to front yard setbacks, "adjacent residential" shall mean when at least 80 percent of the opposing block frontage is residential.

The petitioner's design is based on the C-5 minimum yard requirements. The Graceland lot line is the front lot line, and the Webford lot line is a side lot line. For the 290 feet of the site's Webford frontage, much of the opposing block is a commercial district, so for this portion, the minimum required yard under C-5 is five feet. For the westernmost portion of the frontage, where the opposing block is zoned residential, the minimum required yard would be 25 feet. The definition of "yard" in Section 12-13-3 establishes that it "...extends *along* a lot line and *at right angles* to such lot line..." Under C-5 zoning, there would not be a required yard along the Graceland/front lot line, nor along the rear lot line – which borders 1330 Webford ("The Dance Building") – nor along the north/side lot line, which borders the railroad tracks. The required yards exist only from the Webford (south) lot line and are shown in an attached map.

#### Minimum Floor Area Per Dwelling

The C-5 district regulates density by minimum floor area per unit. The floor plans as part of the submittal show the smallest of the studio/efficiency units at 535 square feet, which would comply with the minimum requirement of Section 12-7-3.H. The smallest one-bedroom would be 694 square feet, which exceeds the minimum 620. With 103 units, the one-bedroom type is by far the most common in the building program, with square footages in the 700s; some are as large as 891. Ranging from 1,079 to 1,128 square feet, the two-bedroom units are well in excess of the minimum 780.

Table 3. Multiple-Family Dwelling Units in the C-5 District

Number of Bedrooms	Minimum Floor Area (Square Feet)
Efficiency dwelling unit (studio)	535
One-bedroom unit	620
Two-bedroom unit	780

#### Commercial Use: Restaurant-Lounge

At the southeast corner of the building, the petitioner is proposing a bi-level restaurant-lounge, which has access to the public street on the first/ground floor and a second floor that opens to the first. Both restaurants and lounges are permitted in C-5, but the petitioner has described this use as one combined business. Therefore, staff has reviewed based on requirements for a Class A (primarily sit-down) Restaurant. However, note that a walk-up service window is illustrated, as is outdoor seating in the right-of-way. Both of these elements are logical considering the effect of the COVID-19 pandemic on the restaurant business, as they allow for diversified service and revenue.

The floor plan indicates a kitchen and multiple bar seating areas, as well as different styles of tables and chairs, with the second-floor labeled as a "speakeasy," giving a glimpse of the envisioned concept. The first floor is demarcated to separate the proposed restaurant area from the first-floor lobby for the residential portion of the development.

## Required Off-Street Parking, Public Parking

To fulfill required off-street parking, the petitioner's submittal is designed with C-5 off-street parking requirements in mind. Generally speaking, C-5 has more permissive ratios than other districts. These reduced requirements are laid out in Sections 12-7-3.H.6. (Supplemental Parking Requirements) and reinforced by reflecting that downtown Des Plaines is the densest portion of the City, being well served by sidewalks, bike infrastructure, and public transportation (buses and rail). This leads to a reduced need for parking than in other portions of Des Plaines. The following table lists the uses subject to off-street parking requirement shows the pertinent ratios under C-5 zoning.

Table 4. Parking Requirements for the Uses Proposed Under C-5 Rules

Use	General Ratio	Required
Efficiency and one-	One space per unit	120 spaces
bedroom		
Two-bedroom	1.5 spaces per unit	(16.5,
		rounded to
		17 spaces)
Restaurant (Class A)	One space for every 100 sq. ft. of net	17 spaces
	floor area <sup>1</sup> or one space for every	
	four seats <sup>2</sup> , whichever is greater, plus	
	one space for every three employees <sup>3</sup>	
Total	-	154 spaces

Exclusive of meeting the minimum off-street parking, the project is also designed to replace the existing supply of 38 public spaces at 1332 Webford, using a mix of indoor and outdoor: 16 outdoor spaces, 18 spaces on the first floor of the garage, and four spaces on the lower level of the garage (below grade). Providing these spaces is the impetus for the outdoor spaces in the design. Although including public spaces in the project would not be specifically required by the Zoning Ordinance under C-5, the petitioner nonetheless must acquire 1332 Webford from the City to accommodate the design. As part of the terms of a sale, the petitioner would accept a requirement to provide public parking on the developer's property. The ongoing development would then be responsible for maintaining the public parking spaces. A requirement that the spaces be reserved for public use would be recorded against the property.

#### Circulation, Mobility, and Traffic

The petitioner has submitted a traffic study prepared by Eriksson Engineering Associates, Ltd. The study considers the volume/trips and circulation of individual automobiles, public transportation, and non-motorized (i.e. bike and pedestrian) transportation. The report contains data on the existing conditions – based on current traffic and pedestrian counts, consisting of on-site and secondary<sup>4</sup> data collection – and the proposed development, and assesses the capacity of the streets in the adjacent vicinity, using Year 2028 as a benchmark. (Traffic reports typically project to a couple of years after anticipated full occupancy.) Further, the study does reference and consider the anticipated traffic to be generated by the under-construction development at 1425 Ellinwood Avenue.

The report draws from the Institute of Transportation Engineers (ITE) Trip Generation Manual, 11<sup>th</sup> Edition. ITE data are viewed nationally as the urban planning and traffic engineering standard for evaluating how much automobile traffic certain types of uses will generate. The study identifies the uses intended

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The first 2,500 square feet may be deducted in the C-5 district.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Fifty-six seats are shown in the floor plan.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Nine employees working at a given time in the restaurant/lounge are used as an estimate.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> The engineer referenced Average Annual Daily Traffic (AADT) data, which is made available by the Illinois Department of Transportation. Accessible at: https://www.gettingaroundillinois.com/Traffic%20Counts/index.html.

by the petitioner: apartments, restaurant, and lounge. Based on a morning peak hour of 7:15-8:15 a.m. and an afternoon peak hour of 2:30-3:30 p.m., the study projects 45 total in-and-out automobile movements during a.m. peak and 63 during p.m. peak hour (see Page 7 of the report). While it was not identified as peak by the petitioner's traffic engineer, the Public Works and Engineering Department has inquired about data for the 4:30-5:30 p.m. hour. The Board may wish to ask the traffic engineer to explain why 2:30-3:30 was selected as peak hour. Further, the Board may wish to ask the engineer to explain the delay projections in Table 4, particularly at the Graceland-Prairie intersection. For both a.m. and p.m. peaks, the projected delay is actually less in 2028 than 2022, which considering additional development seems counter-intuitive.

Based on the proposed site access plan, which includes two driveways perpendicular to Webford that would allow in-and-out traffic from the garage, and the row of outdoor parking spaces also perpendicular to Webford, the study estimates that only five percent of inbound and five percent of outbound traffic would use the portion of Webford west of the proposed development (i.e. into the residential neighborhood to the west). The site plan is designed with perpendicular (90-degree) parking spaces and drive aisles to attempt not to direct drivers leaving the development to go west onto Webford. On the other hand, parallel (zero-degree) spaces and 45-degree angle parking could have this effect, as parked cars would be facing or oriented west. For this reason, staff views 90-degree perpendicular parking as the best alternative, although it is somewhat atypical for a local-jurisdiction street.

Further, widening Webford to 28 feet from curb to curb for the frontage of the development (approximately 290 feet) is proposed, with the existing, narrower width being retained for the area west of the property. This narrowing should provide a visual cue that does not encourage through or non-local traffic to use westbound Webford. More discussion of the proposed Webford-segment widening is contained under the discussion of the Tentative Plat of Subdivision.

An excerpt of report, excluding appendices, is an attachment to this packet<sup>5</sup>. Page 16 of the report makes the following conclusions:

- "1. The street network can accommodate the additional traffic from the proposed project and future traffic growth.
- "2. The location of the site and the availability of public transportation, walking and biking will minimize the volume of vehicular traffic generated by the site.
- "3. Access to the site from Webford Avenue will have two driveways with one inbound and one outbound lane under stop sign control, and can handle the projected traffic volumes."

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> The full study is available at https://www.desplaines.org/home/showpublisheddocument/1660/637836228361570000.

Building Design Review

The Building Design Review requirements under Section 12-3-11 of the Zoning Ordinance would apply. Although Table 1 of this section lists approved material types for residential buildings and commercial buildings, it does not address a mixed-use building or a parking garage. Therefore, staff would consider the first two floors of the building to be subject to the commercial requirements, with Floors 3 through 7 subject to the multifamily residential requirements.

Regarding the first two floors, the submitted plans show a principal entrance on the front of the building, facing Graceland (east elevation). The proposed materials palette consists of a large of amount of glazing (glass) on the Graceland elevation, framed by concrete and accented by other permissible materials such as metal panels and thin vertical courses of brick. The nongarage portion of the Webford (south) elevation – where the restaurant and lounge would be located – consists of these same elements and ample glazing. The garage portion of the Webford (south) façade is framed by concrete with scrim (screening). Both glass and screen can be considered as windows/opening to satisfy the blank wall limitations on street-facing facades, provided the openings are transparent. Renderings show decorative ivy grown onto the garage scrim. Ivy is not a prohibited wall material, but the ivy areas would inherently reduce the amount of transparency. The blank wall requirements specify that no greater than 30 percent of a total street-facing façade, and no more than a 15-foot horizontal distance, may be non-transparent. The Board may wish to ask the petitioner's architect how they could balance the transparency requirement with shielding car headlights of vehicles in the garage from view of properties on the south side of Webford.

The petitioner is not requesting relief from the Building Design Review requirements at this time. Complete Building Design Review approval, which may be granted by the Zoning Administrator per the process outlined in Section 12-3-11, must occur before issuance of a building permit.

#### **Major Variations**

**Request Summary:** 

The petitioner's site plan shows 16 outdoor, permeable-surface off-street parking spaces and one loading space that necessitates relief from the Zoning Ordinance. Having a loading space is not required per Section 12-9-9 in the C-5 district, but given the proposed restaurant kitchen, the petitioner is nonetheless proposing an adjacent loading space. Because there are more than 10 spaces, this parking area is subject to required parking lot landscaping. In general, the Zoning Ordinance is not written to envision the arrangement of outdoor off-street parking in the order proposed by the petitioner. Parking lots are often separated from the street by a parkway and sidewalk on public property (i.e. right of way), then a landscape buffer on private property before the off-street parking spaces begin. The traditional and envisioned order is usually street and street curb, then parkway/sidewalk, then a landscape strip with plantings, then parking space curb, and finally parking spaces.

By contrast, the petitioner is proposing that off-street parking spaces merge with

the street – approximately 160 linear feet of the 290 feet of Webford frontage – then parking spaces, parking space curb, sidewalk, and finally the planting area, directly at the foundation of the garage portion of the proposed building. The off-street parking would be paver style, while the street surface would be asphalt. Assuming C-5 zoning, the PZB and City Council may find this style and design is appropriate for a downtown development, concluding it would create parking in a convenient location and configuration intended to maximize the number of spaces and minimize traffic through the nearby residential neighborhood. However, permitting this design requires relief:

- Allow off-street parking in the required side yard, where off-street parking is only permitted in the rear yard in the C-5 district (Section 12-7-3-H.5.b);
- Allow parking space curb and gutter within 3.5 feet of the lot line, where a minimum setback of 3.5 feet is required (Section 12-9-6-D);
- Allow the five-foot-wide landscape strip to abut the proposed building (garage foundation) instead of the parking spaces; a landscape bed is required to buffer parking spaces from public sidewalks (Section 12-9-6.F); and
- Allow landscaping adjacent to parking that does not strictly adhere to requirements such as location (Section 12-10-8-B).

These are Major Variations, which require PZB review and recommendation but ultimately City Council approval. This staff memo serves as the Zoning Administrator's Site Plan Review. Failing to obtain variations would constrain the ability to provide the intended and desired parking.

#### **Tentative Plat of Subdivision**

#### **Request Summary:**

To allow the sale of multiple zoning lots, formally consolidating them into one lot via the subdivision process (Title 13) is required. The Tentative Plat, titled Tentative Plat of Graceland-Webford Subdivision, shows the following easements and building lines: (i) a recorded 20-foot building line near the southern property line; (ii) a five-foot public sidewalk easement near the southern property line; (iii) a new 25-foot building setback line along Webford Avenue for the portion of the property adjacent to a residential district; and (iv) a new five-foot building setback line along Webford Avenue for the portion of property adjacent to a commercial district.

Prior to any permitting or development, a Final Plat of Subdivision would be required. The steps for Final Plat are articulated in Sections 13-2-4 through 13-2-8 of the Subdivision Regulations. In summary, the Final Plat submittal requires engineering plans that must be approved by the City Engineer, in particular a grading and stormwater management plan suitable not only to the City of Des Plaines but also the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District (MWRD). Under 13-3 of the Subdivision Regulations, the petitioner will be required to improve the adjacent segment of Webford Avenue, widening it to 28 feet from curb to curb, which is the minimum standard set forth in the code. Attendant resurfacing/reconstruction would be required based on the

determination of the City Engineer. The sidewalk streetscaping (e.g. paver style) would be required to match the downtown aesthetic, which is already present along the Graceland side of the site; under the proposal, this style would be extended along the Webford sidewalk. The developer would be responsible for installing new or replacing existing streetscaping. Certain underground infrastructure, such as water mains and sewers, would be required to be replaced and installed to the standards required by the Public Works and Engineering Department. Finally, any the above-mentioned public improvements would be required to be secured by a performance guaranty, which would allow the City to complete the planned and required improvements if necessary. An Engineering comment memo is attached.

#### Alignment with the 2019 Comprehensive Plan

The PZB may find the following excerpts and analysis useful in determining the extent to which the proposed project and requests align with the Comprehensive Plan.

- *Under Overarching Principles:* 
  - o "Expand Mixed-Use Development" is the first listed principle. It is a central theme of the plan.
  - o "Preserve Historic Buildings" is also a principle. The First Congregational United Church of Christ (766 Graceland), Willows Academy (1015 Rose Avenue), and the former Des Plaines National Bank / Huntington Bank (678 Lee Street) are specifically listed. However, 622 Graceland is not listed. Nonetheless, the Executive Director of the Des Plaines History Center has shared with staff there is historic value in the exterior ironwork/grates, which could be saved in demolition. He did not express interest or priorities of the Center in preserving other elements.
- *Under Land Use & Development:* 
  - o The Future Land Use Plan illustrates the property as commercial. While the proposal is not strictly commercial, the proposed zoning is a commercial district (C-5). The proposed project is certainly more pronounced in its residential footprint than its commercial. However, the decision makers may consider that supporting a desirable commercial use, like a restaurant-lounge, requires an inherent market of potential customers (i.e. residential households).
  - o Further in this chapter: "The Land Use Plan supports the development of high-quality multifamily housing located in denser areas near multi-modal facilities such as the Downtown. New multifamily housing should be encouraged as a complement to desired future commercial development in the area and incorporated as mixed-use buildings when possible" (p. 12).

#### Under Housing:

o Recommendation 4.2 calls for housing that would appeal to "young families," which could include households that have, for example, a small child: "...The City should revisit its current zone classifications and add a new zone exclusively for mixed-use development or amend existing regulations to allow for mixed uses. Focus should be placed on commercial areas zoned C-1, C-2, and C-3, for potential sites for mixed-use development" (p. 32).

#### • *Under Downtown*:

o The Vision Statement is "Downtown Des Plaines will be a vibrant destination with a variety of restaurant, entertainment, retail, and housing options...." (p. 69). Directly below that

- statement is the following: "The community desires expanded retail and dining options in Downtown Des Plaines, which can be supported by higher housing density for greater purchasing power."
- Recommendation 8.2 is to enhance the streetscape, which would be required for the proposed project along Webford Avenue, where the downtown streetscape is not currently present (p. 70).
- o Recommendation 8.11 states: "Des Plaines should continue to promote higher density development in the Downtown ... complemented by design standards and streetscaping elements that contribute to a vibrant, pedestrian-friendly environment" (p. 74).
- o Recommendation 8.12 calls for pursuing the development of new multifamily buildings, specifically apartments and townhomes: "Market analysis suggests that there is support for an increase in multifamily rental housing and owner-occupied townhomes. Access to transit, freeway connectivity, walkability, and commercial and recreational amenities are all driving market demands for additional housing in the Downtown.... Within Downtown Des Plaines there is an estimated 15.8 acres of land that is either vacant or underutilized (typically having small building footprints and large surface parking lots) that could be developed over the next 10 years.... It is estimated that these sites could accommodate between 475 and 625 new residential units if developed at densities similar to recent developments in the Downtown" (p. 74-75).
- o The same recommendation also states, however: "While the market is prime for new development, the City of Des Plaines should approach new dense housing responsibly to ensure that new developments do not lose their resale value, are not contributing to further traffic congestion, that the City's emergency services (particularly fire, ambulance, and police) have the capacity to serve them."
- *Under Appendix A4: Market Assessment*<sup>6</sup>:
  - o The study area included the subject property and specifically marked it as one of five properties identified as a "likely development site over the next 10 years" (p. 20).
  - o The projected demand of 475-625 units was in addition to any units "proposed or under construction" at the time of publication. Both "The Ellison"/Opus at 1555 Ellinwood (113 units) and Bayview-Compasspoint at 1425 Ellinwood (212 units) were under construction at this time.

### **Implications on Property Tax Revenue, Schools (Estimates)**

The existing parcels had a combined tax bill of \$67,215.76 in Tax Year 2020 (Calendar Year 2021). To estimate the potential taxes generated by the petitioner's proposed development, consider the mixed-use project by Opus ("The Ellison"), which was completed in 2019 and has now been occupied and is fully assessed. It has a comparable number of units to what is proposed at the subject property. The 1555 Ellinwood property (PIN: 09-17-421-041-0000) generated \$580,739.91 in Tax Year 2020. The difference is more than \$500,000. Although the City of Des Plaines receives only a small share (approximately 11 to 12 percent) of the tax bill, partners such as school districts stand to receive a greater amount of tax revenue if the development is approved and built. Further, based on the housing unit mix proposed – studios, one-bedroom, and two-bedroom apartments – an estimated total number of school children generated from all 131 units would be 13<sup>7</sup>. An estimated 10 of these would be preschool-to-elementary-aged students.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Downtown Des Plaines Market Assessment (2018, March 29). S.B. Friedman, Goodman Williams Group Real Estate Research. Accessible at https://www.cmap.illinois.gov/documents/10180/0/Downtown+Market+Assessment\_May+2018.pdf/92420bd0-0f5e-d684-4a71-bd91456b7e44.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> Source: Illinois School Consulting Service/Associated Municipal Consultants Inc. Accessed at https://dekalbcounty.org/wp-

#### **Findings of Fact: Map Amendment**

The request is reviewed below in terms of the Findings of Fact contained in Section 12-3-7 of the Zoning Ordinance. The Board may use comments below as its rationale for recommending Findings of Fact, or the Members may adopt their own. In addition, the Board should review petitioner's responses (attached).

## A. The proposed amendment is consistent with the goals, objectives, and policies of the comprehensive plan, as adopted and amended from time to time by the city council:

<u>Comment:</u> The Comprehensive Plan appears to be supportive of rezoning the site from C-3 to C-5. C-5 on this site is permissive of mixed-use residential-commercial development, while C-3 is not. In particular, the economic benefit of bringing additional household spending power to downtown creates additional market demand for the desired retail and restaurants—and notably a restaurant/lounge is proposed by the petitioner.

## B. The proposed amendment is compatible with current conditions and the overall character of existing development in the immediate vicinity of the subject property:

<u>Comment:</u> C-5 zoning is present directly across the street, where a building of similar scale to what is proposed is being constructed. The downtown train/bus station is a short walk away.

While R-1 zoning is also close to the proposed site, and the desirable "Silver Stocking" residential neighborhood lies to the west, note that a C-3 property would still exist at 1330 Webford, and there is an R-4 residential property at 1328 Webford. On the north side of the street, these could still serve as a transition into the primarily single-family neighborhood.

# C. The proposed amendment is appropriate considering the adequacy of public facilities and services available to this subject property:

<u>Comment:</u> Public transportation is either directly adjacent or within a short walk. In addition to Metra station access, the site has excellent access to the future Pace PULSE Arterial Rapid Transit route, which will stop at the Des Plaines Metra station and provide service to O'Hare Airport that is faster and more desirable than the current Route 250. For that reason, housing units at this property might be desirable not only to the frequent commuter but also to the frequent flier.

The Fire Prevention Bureau has reviewed the project and signaled that the required fire code access (i.e. reach of a fire engine) would comply, in particular because a new construction C-5 building will almost certainly need to be fully sprinklered. Neither Police nor Public Works have expressed concerns about an inability to serve the site, even with denser development. Its central location is beneficial for service response.

## D. The proposed amendment will have an adverse effect on the value of properties throughout the jurisdiction:

<u>Comment:</u> "Throughout the jurisdiction" is the key measurement. Adding this investment to downtown Des Plaines is likely to raise the profile of Des Plaines overall, making it a more desirable place to live and invest. The impact on immediately adjacent properties, particularly single-family, could be mixed, but it is important to note that even single-family homebuyers may place a premium on being able to walk to an additional amenity – specifically a restaurant-lounge – at the end of their street, which the C-5 zoning change would support.

content/uploads/2018/12/cd-zoning-table-population.pdf.

#### E. The proposed amendment reflects responsible standards for development and growth:

<u>Comment:</u> While certainly the scale of C-5/downtown Des Plaines would not be expanded all through the City, for this particular site – given its identification in the market assessment appendix of the Comprehensive Plan – it would be responsible in staff's view to enable it to its highest and best use.

#### **Findings of Fact: Major Variations**

The request is reviewed below in terms of the Findings of Fact contained in Section 12-3-6 of the Zoning Ordinance. The Board may use comments below as its rationale for recommending Findings of Fact, or the Members may adopt their own. In addition, the Board should review petitioner's responses (attached).

1. Hardship: No variation shall be granted pursuant to this subsection H unless the applicant shall establish that carrying out the strict letter of the provisions of this title would create a particular hardship or a practical difficulty:

Comment: Not allowing off-street parking in the required side yard and enforcing all required parking lot location and landscaping requirements would in fact impose a practical difficulty for the developer's intent to maximize parking. The subject property includes three separate parcels, one of which is owned and operated by the City as a public parking lot. The developer's proposal, including a two-story parking structure and single row of surface spaces fronting Webford Avenue, satisfies the off-street parking space requirements and replaces the existing city-owned public parking lot one-forone. However, the location of the subject property situated directly south of the train tracks and next to an existing commercial building to the west restricts where off-street parking areas can be located and accessed. The addition of off-street surface spaces directly off the south property line makes better use of available space while providing additional public parking to the site and the neighboring uses. However, parking spaces directly accessed from a street are not considered in the Zoning Ordinance and therefore are not able to meet minimum parking lot setback and landscaping requirements. Granting approval of the location and landscape variations for this parking area allows the developer to install a unique and functional area that benefits the development and the City as a whole.

2. Unique Physical Condition: The subject lot is exceptional as compared to other lots subject to the same provision by reason of a unique physical condition, including presence of an existing use, structure, or sign, whether conforming or nonconforming; irregular or substandard shape or size; exceptional topographical features; or other extraordinary physical conditions peculiar to and inherent in the subject lot that amount to more than a mere inconvenience to the owner and that relate to or arise out of the lot rather than the personal situation of the current owner of the lot:

<u>Comment:</u> There appear to be unique attributes related to the property itself and its surroundings that make it exceptional compared to other commercial properties in the area and which requires the need for variations. The subject property abuts Graceland Avenue on the east and Webford Avenue on the south. However, Graceland Avenue is a one-way street for southbound traffic, and there is no existing curb-cut off Graceland Avenue onto the subject property. The Metra UP-Northwest Line to the north does not provide additional access to the site restricting access to Webford Avenue. The proposal does include two curb-cuts off Webford Avenue for both residential and commercial parking. However, there is not available space in the rear to accommodate additional parking spaces. As such, the proposed surface parking area in the side yard offers an opportunity to accommodate the extra spaces on the subject property.

3. Not Self-Created: The aforesaid unique physical condition is not the result of any action or inaction of the owner or its predecessors in title and existed at the time of the enactment of the

provisions from which a variance is sought or was created by natural forces or was the result of governmental action, other than the adoption of this title:

<u>Comment:</u> The physical conditions, such as platting and street directions, and current development found on the subject property (all three parcels) were not the result of action or inaction by the petitioner. The existing development was constructed prior to the enactment of the provisions for which the variations are being sought.

4. Denied Substantial Rights: The carrying out of the strict letter of the provision from which a variance is sought would deprive the owner of the subject lot of substantial rights commonly enjoyed by owners of other lots subject to the same provision:

<u>Comment:</u> The enforcement of the parking location and landscaping requirements would limit the ability to utilize the property and reduce the amount of parking on the subject property proposed for this development. While the available off-street indoor garage parking area would suffice to meet the minimum requirements for the uses, the proposed surface parking area would be able to further enhance the site and better utilize the Webford Avenue frontage.

5. Not Merely Special Privilege: The alleged hardship or difficulty is neither merely the inability of the owner or occupant to enjoy some special privilege or additional right not available to owners or occupants of other lots subject to the same provision, nor merely the inability of the owner to make more money from the use of the subject lot:

<u>Comment:</u> Because the purpose of Variation is parking and loading beyond what is required by the Zoning Ordinance, the granting of variation does not seem to amount to "special privilege." The variations requested are tied with the addition of the surface parking row along Webford Avenue, which may be more beneficial to the public than it is a direct benefit to the petitioner. Moreover, the variations allow for a unique design, which repurposes a portion of the site for extra off-street parking spaces that fully replace the supply in the current commuter/public parking lot.

6. Title And Plan Purposes: The variation would not result in a use or development of the subject lot that would be not in harmony with the general and specific purposes for which this title and the provision from which a variation is sought were enacted or the general purpose and intent of the comprehensive plan:

<u>Comment:</u> The additional parking would be in line with several aspects of the Comprehensive Plan, especially regarding retail/dining development and housing density, which would both be addressed with the proposal. In fact, the Comprehensive Plan calls for the development of new multifamily buildings that are walkable with access to transit and commercial and recreational amenities. The subject property's close proximity to the Metra line and downtown Des Plaines seeks to meet this goal. The proposal answers the call for many development and sense-of-place priorities set by the Comprehensive Plan, and the granting of variations for the surface parking area will help further address these community needs addressed in that plan.

7. No Other Remedy: There is no means other than the requested variation by which the alleged hardship or difficulty can be avoided or remedied to a degree sufficient to permit a reasonable use of the subject lot.

<u>Comment:</u> Within the framework of the design and to accommodate the maximum amount of parking, there seems to be no other reasonable location for outdoor surface parking than the proposed area. There is not ample room to comply with the necessary perimeter parking lot landscaping requirements along Webford Avenue while accommodating the foundation landscaping requirements. The proposed foundation landscaping area should soften the garage wall between the public sidewalk and building,

which the Landscaping Chapter (12-10) also seeks to provide. Similarly, the space constraints prevent the curb/gutter sections of this parking lot design to meet the appropriate setback requirement (3.5 feet), as the "bookend islands" must contain curb that extends close to the lot line.

While the Zoning Ordinance does not contemplate this style of parking, staff recognizes that this design provides a solution to parking concerns in a downtown context where space for parking is limited and allows a fuller replacement of the public spaces currently at 1332 Webford.

8. Minimum Required: The requested variation is the minimum measure of relief necessary to alleviate the alleged hardship or difficulty presented by the strict application of this title.

<u>Comment:</u> The variations are the minimum measure of relief necessary for the developer to install the surface off-street parking row along Webford Avenue.

**Recommendation and Conditions:** Pursuant to Sections 12-3-7 and 12-3-6 of the Zoning Ordinance, the PZB should vote on a recommendation to City Council to approve, approve with modification, or deny the requests for Map Amendment and Variations. Given that the petitioner's design relies upon the Map Amendment to C-5, the PZB is encouraged to take a motion first on this request.

Regarding the Variations, if the PZB chooses to recommend approval/approval with modifications, staff recommends approval be subject to the following:

- 1. Prior to demolition of 622 Graceland, the property owner and/or petitioner should consult with the Des Plaines History Center and consider having removed items of historic significance so that they may be archived, repurposed, or displayed.
- 2. The outdoor parking spaces should employ a strategy suitable to the Public Works and Engineering Department to prevent bumper overhang onto the sidewalk, which must have a minimum width and clearance of five feet.
- 3. Backing into the outdoor parking spaces will be prohibited.
- 4. High-visibility crosswalks should be marked where the sidewalk along Webford intersects with the driveways that connect Webford with the proposed garage. In addition, a pedestrian warning system should be installed, per the recommendation of Public Works and Engineering.
- 5. Stop signs will be posted for traffic exiting the garage onto Webford. They must be sited in locations to provide a clear and intuitive stopping point, with clear sight lines. Parkway trees, landscaping, and planters should not interfere with any sight line.

The PZB may approve the Tentative Plat of Subdivision based on Sections 13-2-2 and 13-2-3 of the Subdivision Regulations. A Final Plat of Subdivision, to involve the review of more detailed engineering and public improvements, would be required at a later time. The PZB should also consider a separate motion to act on the Tentative Plat.

#### **Attachments**

Attachment 1: Location and Aerial Map

Attachment 2: Site Photos

Attachment 3: Project Narrative

Attachment 4: Petitioner's Responses to Standards

Attachment 5: ALTA Survey

Attachment 6: Building Elevations and Renderings

Attachment 7: Site Plan and Floor Plans

Attachment 8: Landscape Plan

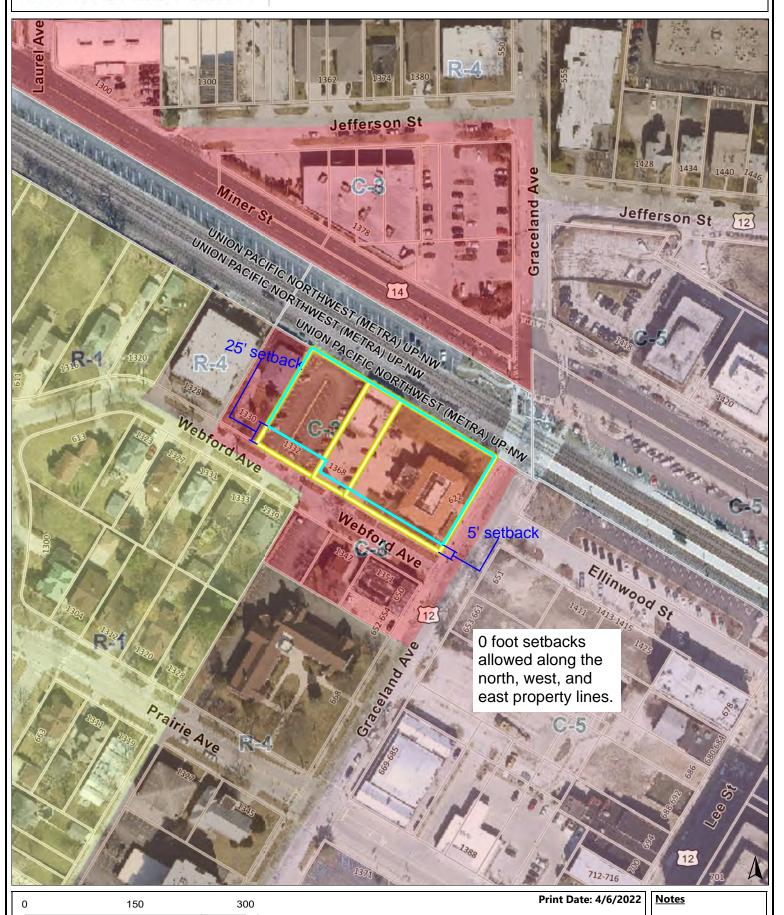
Attachment 9: Tentative Plat of Subdivision Attachment 10: Preliminary Engineering

Attachment 11: Traffic Study without Appendices

Attachment 12: Engineering Comment Memo

# **GIS**Consortium

## 622 Graceland Ave, 1332 & 1368 Webford Ave



Disclaimer: The GIS Consortium and MGP Inc. are not liable for any use, misuse, modification or disclosure of any map provided under applicable law. This map is for general information purposes only. Although the information is believed to be generally accurate, errors may exist and the user should independently confirm for accuracy. The map does not constitute a regulatory determination and is not a base for engineering design. A Registered Land Surveyor should be consulted to determine precise location boundaries on the ground.

Attachment 1 Page 17 of 59





22 Graceland, 1332 & 1368 Webford - Public Notice facing SW



622 Graceland, 1332 & 1368 Webford - Public Notice facing West

**Attachment 2** Page 18 of 59

## **PROJECT NARRATIVE**

622 Graceland Avenue Des Plaines, IL

Application for:

131 Luxury Apartments
New Restaurant/Lounge
Public and Private Covered Parking

Project Narrative 03/07/2022 Submission to Planning and Zoning Board (PZB) Updated 3/16/2022

#### **Project Overview**

The new apartments proposed at 622 Graceland Avenue will be a transit-oriented, mixed-use building located in the Downtown Business and Mixed-Use District of Des Plaines. With its proximity to area businesses and local transit to Chicago, Des Plaines is an ideal location to create a contemporary, high-density residential community. The project addresses the changing aspirations of people who desire to live closer to services in an urban environment, which provides for a more convenient style of living while simultaneously decreasing one's environmental footprint.

The development team, Compasspoint Development, LLC, is an experienced developer, having developed over 2,000 residential apartments around the country, and over 300 apartments in downtown Des Plaines with projects The Ellison (113 units) while at Opus Development and 1425 Ellinwood Apartments (212 units) with Compasspoint Development. Compasspoint develops best-in-class residential apartment buildings that redefine the skyline of any town/city they develop in. Compasspoint believes deeply in the Des Plaines community and has committed over \$100,000,000 to develop projects in Des Plaines and is committing an additional \$35,000,000 investment in this dynamic community.

The developer is applying for a map amendment, two major variances and plat of subdivision in order to consolidate all existing lots into a single zoning lot, and develop a 7-story mixed-use building containing 131 residential rental apartments, ground floor commercial space, and structured parking with 55 public spaces and 140 privately reserved spaces. The developer seeks a major variation approval for the development seeking to upzone the project area to C-5 from C-3 zoning. The applicant further seeks two major variations for perimeter parking lot landscaping (sec. 12-3-6, subsections 12-9-6.D and 12-9-6.F) in order to avoid establishing a five (5) foot landscape divider between the parking spaces and the public sidewalk along with allowing for a curb to be located within 3 feet of the property line. The basis for this request is to allow for establishment of the public parking spaces along Webford to be directly accessed from the street in order to provide readily available parking directed at replacing the publicly owned parking lot being sold by the City of Des Plaines to the applicant. The planning and council members will see the applicant has accounted for perimeter landscaping around the project site and associated outdoor parking stalls, but to follow the standards would cause the parking to be unusable or cause a real concern for public safety of the patrons using these spaces. It is the applicant's viewpoint that the landscaping design is better suited for allowing patrons to park and access the 5 foot sidewalk in front of the parking stalls established for access to the buildings commercial uses. The applicant is also granting a public easement for this sidewalk in perpetuity, despite it being located on private property. Directional signage and head in parking placards will be placed at all public parking stalls identifying those spaces reserved for public commercial use or licensed monthly public use. The applicant is replacing the 38 outdoor stalls owned currently by the City of Des Plaines back into the private development, of which 24 spaces are to be used by the current or future monthly license holders. A number of these replaced parking spaces will be located inside the parking garage, protecting users from the elements. The remaining 31 public spaces will be available to the public for patrons of the restaurant or lounge spaces in the building or any other public use as defined by the City.

#### **Building Description:**

The building will be 131 units and will consist of (17) Studios, (103) One Bedrooms and (11) Two Bedroom units.

The ground floor and mezzanine levels will consist of approximately 2,841 net square feet of restaurant and lounge space designated for uses permitted in Section C-5 of the zoning code. The commercial space will have dedicated covered and outdoor parking for the public and ground floor commercial customers which meet or exceed the parking required for City code. Additionally, the restaurant will have outdoor seating along Webford Ave, creating a true indoor/outdoor dining experience. The applicant intends to own the restaurant and lounge space and has a third party restaurant management company that will manage the day to day operations of the commercial spaces. These spaces are designed to bring in people from the neighborhood to enjoy good food and beverages in an approachable and affordable dining experience. Currently, the food and beverage concept has not been established, but it is the intention of the applicant to bring to market a food and beverage concept that fits well with the downtown market and seeks to elevate the type of food that people who work and live in Des Plaines will experience.

622 Graceland Ave is located directly across the street from the Metra Northwest Train platform with express access to downtown Chicago creating an opportunity for residents to leave their car at home for travel outside of the neighborhood and to commute to work.

The building will feature indoor bicycle storage, service area for loading and trash pick-ups. First floor amenities will contain a residential lobby, leasing office, café, full-service restaurant and mezzanine lounge/bar area. The second floor will house a fitness center and coworking lounge for the residents. The third floor will consist of an outdoor pool and landscaped roof deck, indoor club room, business center, and a dedicated outdoor dog run with pet grooming lounge. On level seven there will be a resident Sky Lounge with an outdoor roof deck. The outdoor roofdeck on level 3 will have dedicated green roof space, designed to eliminate a significant amount of rain water runoff.

The developer has hired OKW as the projects architect. OKW is a leading national architecture firm headquartered in Chicago with extensive residential apartment design experience not only across the United States but also the Chicago land area.

#### **Project Goals**

The redevelopment will dramatically improve the current site conditions, replacing a single story news printer and underutilized commercial buildings and surface parking with a vibrant mixed-use project. The project will have two main boundaries, with its main street edge being Graceland Avenue and secondary site boundaries of Webford Avenue. Beyond the multiple uses, the building will have a modern exterior and site design that will provide a warm and welcoming pedestrian and retail experience.

The project will have a substantial financial benefit to the City and its local business and residents in the form of a significant increase in property and retail tax revenue. The project will infuse hundreds of new residents of varying ages and income levels that will ultimately improve the urban fabric and the financial stability of the Downtown Des Plaines market.

Adding residential dwelling units at this location naturally creates a more inviting streetscape, as more people will be walking, biking and driving to and from the site, which creates an energetic, safe and people-friendly hub in place of the existing commercial and surface lot that exists today. Sidewalk conditions will be improved, thus supporting nearby sites and encouraging area residents to walk to the site for their shopping and entertainment needs.

The developer has spent a considerable amount of time of assembling this development site. As Developers, we truly believe that our success in this project will be secondary to the greater benefit to the City of Des Plaines and its residents and businesses.

#### Design guidelines

The building design consists of white, grey and a wood tone exterior that mixes fiber cement panels, full face norman brick, glass windows with first, second, third and seventh floor aluminum and floor to ceiling glass window panels and a concrete and wood frame structure. All units will feature punch windows and large sliding patio doors with inset balconies and juliet style metal railings. The developer plans on adding climbing green ivy landscaping to the south exterior parking wall facing Webford Avenue helping to partially screen the main parking structure. The parking structure will feature open segments filled with architectural metal screening to allow the natural ivy to climb and conceal the parking areas. Further, as part of the Developers agreement with the City's redevelopment agreement, we will add additional parking spaces to the exterior parking areas in front of the building on Webford Avenue, increasing the necessary public parking above what is required by zoning code. We will improve the streetscape along Graceland Ave to the corner of Webford and all of Webford Ave to the end of our building property line. Webford Avenue will also be widened by (8) eight feet, increasing the street area to a true two-way drive aisle. The developer will also create a new connection to the storm sewer system creating a separated storm connection all the way to Laurel Avenue. Additionally, the developer will resurface Webford to the end of the new buildings property line at the City's request.



**OKW ARCHITECTS** 600 W. Jackson, Suite 250 Chicago, IL 60661



**DES PLAINES MULTI-FAMILY** 

622 GRACELAND AVE

March 17, 2022 Project #: 21084

A.7a

## **PROJECT NARRATIVE (continued)**

#### **Utility Relocation**

No utility relocation is necessary, other than placing overhead utilities underground. Full civil engineering drawings will show any utility relocation necessary.

#### **Property Assemblage**

The developer has assembled a 1-acre infill development site consisting of 3 parcels. The property addresses are 622 Graceland Ave, 1362 Webford Ave, and 1332 Webford Ave. All properties are under contract with firm title commitments. Please reference the parcel PIN map located within this package. The 1332 Webford parcel is owned by the City of Des Plaines and is currently a surface parking lot, which holds 38 spaces which there are 24 month-to-month parking licenses for reverse commuters.

#### Parking Garage

Of the newly constructed 195 parking spaces the development team is licensing 24 spaces back to the current license holders for future public use. There are an additional 31 spaces that are open to the general public 24 hours a day, seven days a week. The residential parking will be located on a half sublevel below grade with 19 spaces, and 41 spaces on the first level and 84 spaces on level 2. The building management will manage loading and unloading for both Retail Deliveries, Retail and Residential Trash and the Move-in and Move-out of the building residents. The residential elevator bank will have cargo/service elevators that can be used for moving and for emergency services. There is one loading zone located just outside the garage along Webdford Avenue. Please see the architectural plan for this location.

The parking garage will include "panic button" devices that are directly connected to a POTS line allowing for an alert signal to be transferred to the City's 911 dispatch center. Other safety measures for the garage will include security cameras capable of monitoring the entirety of the public accessible areas. All private stairwells will be locked with access controls and panic bars and will include 24/7 video surveillance. These areas will only be accessible by residents and building and maintenance personnel. Audio visual vehicle alarm systems will be located at the garage entrances on Webford Ave to ensure the safety of all pedestrians. The developer will work with the City to create a parking signage plan to conform to the downtown public parking plan and will provide color coordinated stall and wall coverings to ensure clarity between the Public and Private parking areas. The developer will provide easy to read wayfinding signage for all access areas, public and private walkways and ingress and egress points. The parking structure will be well lit to meet or exceed building codes with Safety being paramount.

#### **Construction Time Line**

We anticipate closing on all parcels of the land development in February/March of 2023. Construction starting in March/April 2023 and concluding 16 months later as per the preliminary construction timeline.

#### Redevelopment Agreement

The City of Des Plaines and the development team have worked alongside each other to ensure the conformity of the recently adopted city's comprehensive and strategic plans.

The developer will construct streetscape improvements bordering the development property including without limitation the installation of new granite or brick pavers, conventional sidewalks, curbs, gutters, irrigation system, underdrains, parkway trees, bench seating, bike racks, as well as sidewalk lighting. The streetscape plan will include new streetscape improvements for Webford Ave and Graceland Ave.



**OKW ARCHITECTS** 600 W. Jackson, Suite 250 Chicago, IL 60661



**DES PLAINES MULTI-FAMILY** 

622 GRACELAND AVE

March 17, 2022 Project #: 21084

A.7b

# APPLICATION FOR ZONING AMENDMENT FOR 622 GRACELAND

The applicant is seeking a zoning map amendment for the property noted above to rezone the property from the C3 District to the C5 Zoning District in order to allow for the Property to be developed with 132 dwelling units, commercial space on the first and second floors and 195 parking spaces including 38 Public parking spaces.

The Standards for a Zoning Map Amendment are set forth in 12-3-7 and are as follows:

- 1. Whether the proposed amendment is consistent with the goals, objectives, and policies of the comprehensive plan, as adopted and amended from time to time by the city council.
  - a. The Comprehensive Plan contains two principles that the amendment addresses:
    - Provide a range of Housing Options: The Project will establish 131 multi-family dwelling units of various sizes. It specifically provides for dwelling units in a building with a great range of amenities. This type of dwelling will attract both younger residents and empty nesters to the downtown area of the City.
    - ii. Expand Mixed Use Development: The Project will provide for a restaurant and lounge use. The restaurant and lounge will provide an amenity to the residents and will draw patron from the surrounding neighborhood. They will also draw people into the near downtown area.
- 2. Whether the proposed amendment is compatible with current conditions and the overall character of existing development in the immediate vicinity of the subject property.

The Project is located near and serves as a viable expansion of the Central Downtown Area. The design of the Project and its access provisions will maintain the character of the residential neighborhood nearby.

3. Whether the proposed amendment is appropriate considering the adequacy of public facilities and services available to this subject property.

There are sufficient utilities to serve the Project. The Developer will construct such additional utilities to address existing drainage needs. The traffic study shows that the road network can easily handle the traffic from the Project. In addition the Developer will widen Webford to enhance access, parking and streetscape.

4. Whether the proposed amendment will have an adverse effect on the value of properties throughout the jurisdiction.

The property is located near the C5 Downtown district so the rezoning to C5 will have no negative effect on surrounding property values. The Project is not situated directly adjacent to lower density residential properties.

Whether the proposed amendment reflects responsible standards for development and growth.

The Amendment is in accordance with the City's Comprehensive Plan. Development of higher residential densities near the Metra Line is an important for the viability of the City's downtown area which was developed adjacent to the Metra Lines. The mixed use Project acts to expand the downtown area which is a goal of the City. Finally the Project complies with all parking requirements and includes Public Parking that will continue to address the needs of commuters to and from the City.

Standards for Parking Lot Variations:

The applicant further seeks two major variations in order to avoid establishing a five (5) foot landscape divider between the parking spaces and Webford along with allowing for a curb to be located within 3 feet of the property line. The basis for this request is to allow for establishment of the parking spaces along Webford to be directly accessed from the street in order to provide readily available public parking directed at replacing the publically owned parking lot being sold by the City of Des Plaines.

This request meets the standards for a Major Variation as noted below:

- 1. Hardship: If not granted this variation the project would not be feasible; the terms of the purchase agreement with the City require public parking in the number of spaces shown be incorporated within the Project in order to provide a substitute for the public parking lot that is being incorporated into the Project. The practical orientation of the parking spaces along Webford requires their direct access from the street right of way. This requires elimination of the perimeter landscaping and for the curb along the spaces to be within 3 ft. of the property line.
- 2. Unique Physical Condition: The depth of the parcel along with the width of Webford does not allow for public parking spaces to be incorporated into the building in the number required to meet the parking requirements of the City and the purchase agreement. The site is narrowed by its adjacency to the railroad tracks which further prevents the inclusion of these public parking spaces within the building itself. Finally there is a 20 ft. building line setback that prevents the building from being located upon the property line so these parking spaces become an exterior parking lot requiring perimeter landscaping. Further the practical layout of the public parking is to access the spaces directly from Webford. This requires the elimination of the strict requirement of perimeter landscaping. The orientation also requires a variation to allow for a curb within 3 feet of the property line.
- 3. Not Self-Created: First, the contract to purchase the public parking lot incorporates provisions required by the City to provide replacement public parking spaces within the development. Second, there is a 20 ft. building line setback that is part of the original Plat of Subdivision for this neighborhood that prevents the proposed building from being located on the property line, as would otherwise be allowed, hence requiring that these parking spaces be developed as an outdoor parking lot thereby requiring the perimeter landscaping. The curb construction within 3 ft. of the property line is required in order to allow for the direct access of the parking spaces from Webford.
- 4. Denied Substantial Rights: Without allowing for the perimeter parking lot landscaping and curb variations the Project would not be able to be developer thereby depriving the Applicant of the reasonable expectations related to his purchase of both the private parcels and the city owned parcel.
- Not Merely Special Privilege: The provisions of this code allow for an applicant to request the variations from the requirements for perimeter parking lot landscaping and to allow for the location of the curb allowing for direct parking space access in order to provide for the required public parking spaces.
- 6. Title and Plan Purpose: Since the parking spaces for which the variation is being requested are required by the City, and the Project itself meets the provisions of the Comprehensive Plan, this standard is met.
- 7. No Other Remedy: Due to the requirement to provide these parking spaces as public parking spaces their location and access needs to be as shown. The restrictive building line setback does not allow a wider building which would thereby allow for these spaces to be located within the building.

OKW ARCHITECTS
600 W. Jackson, Suite 250
Chicago, IL 60661



**DES PLAINES MULTI-FAMILY** 

622 GRACELAND AVE

March 17, 2022 Project #: 21084

GENTILE AND ASSOCIATES, INC.

PROFESSIONAL LAND SURVEYORS

PHONE : (630) 916-6262

LOTS 35, 36 AND 37 IN BLOCK 1 IN DES PLAINES MANOR. TRACT NO. 1. A SURDIVISION OF PART OF SECTIONS 17 AND 20. TOWNSHIP 41 NORTH, RANGE 12 FAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED JULY 14, 1911 AS DOCUMENT NO. 4793563, IN COOK COUNTY JULINOIS PROPERTY COMMONLY KNOWN AS: 622 GRACELAND AVE., DES PLAINES, IL. 60016 CONTAINING: 22,509.41 SQ. FT., 0.52 AC. (MORE OR LESS)

#### PARCEL 2:

PARCEL 1:

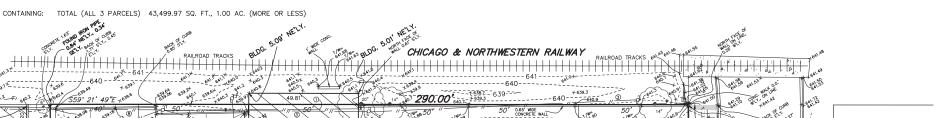
LEGAL DESCRIPTION:

Graphic Scale

LOT 34 IN BLOCK 1 IN DES PLAINES MANOR. TRACT NO. 1. A SUBDIVISION OF PART OF SECTIONS 17 AND 20. TOWNSHIP 41 NORTH, RANGE 12 EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED JULY 14, 1911 AS DOCUMENT NO. 4793563, IN COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS. PROPERTY COMMONLY KNOWN AS: 1368 WEBFORD AVE., DES PLAINES, IL. 60016 CONTAINING: 7,503.12 SQ. FT., 0.17 AC. (MORE OR LESS)

THE SOUTHEASTERLY 40 FEET OF LOT 32 AND ALL OF LOT 32 IN BLOCK 1 IN DES PLAINES MANOR TRACT NO. 1, A SUBDIVISION OF PART OF SECTIONS 17 AND 20, TOWNSHIP 41 NORTH, RANGE 12 EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED JULY 14, 1911 AS DOCUMENT 4793563,

PROPERTY COMMONLY KNOWN AS: 1332 WEBFORD AVE., DES PLAINES, IL. 60016 CONTAINING: 13.499.99 SQ. FT., 0.31 AC. (MORE OR LESS)



66.00' ----2 STORY BRICK & CONC. BLK BRICK & FRAME BLDG, NO. 1368 NO. 1330 640.34 659.92 0 838.12 838.12 0 0 BURY WITH THE 290.00'

WFRFORD A VFNUF 627.00 627.36.08 636.64.56 PER RECORD W

LEGEND ₩ WATER SERVICE SHUTOFF VALVE TO CURB INLET/CATCH BASIN © GAS VALVE S SANITARY SEWER MANHOLE WATER VALVE VAULT UTILITY POLE COMBINATION SEWER MANHOLE ☑ TRAFFIC SIGNAL CONTROL VAULT O LITHITY POLE WITH TRANSFORMER RAILROAD GATE ARM → "GUY" ANCHOR W/ WIRE XXX XX

of FLAGPOLE ── LIGHT POLE ■ ELECTRIC HANDHOLE - SIGN POST W WATER METER VALUET TIRE HYDRANT

SOIL BORING (D) CLOSED COVER DRAINAGE STRUCTURE OPEN COVER DRAINAGE STRUCTURE

WV WATER SHUTOFF VALVE WITH 8" CASING BASE SCALE: 1 INCH = \_\_20\_\_ FEET
DISTANCES ARE MARKED IN FEET AND DECIMAL PARTS THEREOF
ORDERED BY: \_\_\_\_RWG\_ENGINEERING, LLC

\_\_\_\_JFG CHECKED BY SURVEYED BY : \_\_\_\_JG\_RG\_ COMPARE ALL POINTS BEFORE BUILDING BY SAME AND AT ONCE REPORT ANY DIFFERENCE FOR BUILDING LINE AND OTHER RESTRICTIONS SHOWN HEREON REFER TO YOUR ABSTRACT DEED, CONTRACT AND ZONING 21-22439 (REV1)

**Attachment 5** 

GROUND ELEVATION SANITARY SEWER PAVEMENT FLEVATION FINISHED FLOOR ELEVATION E UNDERGROUND ELECTRIC T/FDN = TOP OF FOUNDATION ELEVATION UNDERGROUND TELEPHONE TOP OF WALL GAS MAIN TREE WITH TRUNK DIAM. SIZE WATER MAIN TRUNCATED DOME (HDCP. ACCESS) CONCRETE PAVEMENT BRICK PAVERS

ASPHALT

(X) OVERHEAD WIRES (# OF WIRES) STORM SEWER

ILLINOIS STATE PLANE COORDINATE SYSTEM, EAST ZONE CITY OF DES PLAINES BENCHMARK NO. 61. MONUMENT SET IN CONCRETE AT THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF PRAIRIE & FIRST AVENUE, 75' EAST OF THE RAILROAD TRACKS AND 12' NORTH OF THE EDGE OF PAVEMENT OF PRAIRIE

ELEVATION 640.05 (NAVD 88 DATUM), MEASURED ELEVATION 640.12

6373692

96-12 CURB & GUT

BASIS OF BEARINGS:

625.60

8" MAIN PER RECORD

#### NO. 1

NOTES:

CROSS NOTCH 2' SOUTH OF THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF LOT 34

CROSS NOTCH 2' SOUTH AND 3' EAST OF THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF LOT 37 ELEVATION 637.57 (NAVD 88 DATUM)

TITLE POLICY PROVIDED FOR PARCEL 3 MAKES NOTE OF AN EXCEPTION TO COVERAGE THAT INCLUDES AN EASEMENT FOR SEVERAL UTILITIES PER DOC. NO. LR1429065. SURVEYOR WAS NOT PROVIDED DOCUMENT BY TITLE COMPANY AND WAS NOT ABLE TO OBTAIN DOCUMENT FROM COOK COUNTY RECORDER'S OFFICE. BEFORE EXCAVATION, BUILDING OR ANY DISTURBANCE WITHIN SUBJECT PROPERTY OBTAIN DOCUMENT FOR PARTICULARS AND LOCATION OF SAID EASEMENT.

① CATCH BASIN RIM 638.65 16 STORM MANHOLE RIM 638.82 N INV 632.22 S INV 632.22 E INV 632.27 6" VCP S INV 634.23 ② CATCH BASIN RIM 637.06 6" VCP N INV 632.46 6" VCP(+/-) S INV 632.46 ALL PIPES ARE +/-8" 10" RCP E INV 633.66

3 CATCH BASIN RIM 637.21 10" RCP W INV 634.26

(4) CATCH BASIN RIM 637.28 4" CIP NE INV 635.98 6" CIP S INV 634.73

⑤ INLET RIM 639.01 L" SW INV 635.51 6 STORM MANHOLE RIM 640.10

TOP OF 8" (+/-)PIPE S 630.63 SW INV 631.20 SE INV 630.80

7 CATCH BASIN RIM 638.58 12" RCP SE INV 636.53

(8) CATCH BASIN RIM 637.45 6" VCP NW INV 634.90 6" PVC S INV 634.20

9 INLET RIM 637.41 6" PVC N INV 635.01 (1) CATCH BASIN

RIM 637.20 6" VCP NW INV 632 70

FILLED WITH DEBRIS

CURB CATCH BASIN RIM 636.40 TOP OF PIP[E TO SOUTH 634.40

(3) CURB CATCH BASIN RIM 636.46 TOP OF PIPE TO NORTH 634.16 NW INV 632.86 CURB CATCH BASIN RIM 636.72

TOP OF 12" PIPE TO EAST 634.37 12" RCP S INV 633.47 (5) CURB CATCH BASIN RIM 636.74 TOP OF PIPE TO NORTH 634.69

(PVC INSIDE RCP)

CROSS SWLY, SE'LY.

GRAC A VEN

4

SANITARY SEWERS

SANITARY MANHOLE RIM 638.77 15" VCP E INV 632.47 10" VCP SE INV 633.12 15" VCP S INV 632.42

SANITARY MANHOLE RIM 637.57 2 15" VCP N INV 632.37 10" NE INV 632.67 15" SW INV 632.07

 $\langle 3 \rangle$ 

NIM 637.83 N INV 631.39 (RECORDS SHOW A MANHOLE IN THE STREET NEAR NORTH END OF PROPERTY, NONE WAS FOUND AND NO INDICATION OF ONE WAS FOUND) 15" VCP NE INV 632.33 24" S INV 632.35 10" SE INV 632.34 +/-24" W INV 631.43 (CONNECTING MANHOLE TO THE WEST SHOWS A 12"
INVERT TO THE EAST, NO
INFORMATION AS TO WHERE
SIZE CHANGES AVAILABLE)

COMBINATION MANHOLE RIM 637.83

10" NW INF 632.83 COMBINATION MANHOLE  $\langle 4 \rangle$ RIM 638.61 24" N INV 630.61 24" S INV 630.71

COMBINATION MANHOLE RIM 636.78 12" E INV 631.33 12" W INF 631.38 SE INV 631.60

COMBINATION MANHOLE 6 RIM 637 17 12" E INV 631.42 12" NW INV 632.87 12" W INV 631.57

3 WATER MAINS

VICINITY MAP

100

SITE

① WATER VALVE VAULT (NEW) RIM 639.28 TOP OF PIPE 632.28 PER RECORDS THE NEW MAIN GOING EAST IS 10" D.I.P. AND THE SOUTH IS D.I.P. AND IHE SOUTH IS 8"-RECORD SHOWS NO MAIN HEADING NORTH, BUT IS VISIBLE IN FIELD. RECORDS SHOW IT CONNECTING TO OLD MAIN COMING FROM VAULT NO. 2 BUT NOT VISIBLE IN FIELD

WATER VALVE VAULT RIM 638.95 TOP OF PIPE 633.45 RECORD SAY IT IS 8"

3 WATER VALVE VAULT RIM 638.55 TOP OF PIPE 633.75 THIS IS A NEW MAIN ALSO RECORDS SHOW NO VAULT HERE BUT FOUND IN FIELD

4 WATER VALVE VAULT WATER VALVE VAULT
RIM 637.46
FULL OF SILT AT ELEV.
634.76
634.76
MOST LIKELY HAVING BEEN
PART OF THE OLD MAIN
CONNECTING TO VAULT NO.
2, RECORDS SHOW NO
VAULT HERE WHERE FOUND
IN FIELD

4 WATER VALVE VAULT RIM 637.42
TOP OF PIPE 628.12
RECORDS SAY THIS IS 8"
AND GENERALLY AGREE WITH FIELD MARKINGS AND CONNECTION TO NEW MAIN IN THE EASTERLY SIDE OF THE RIGHT OF WAY

#### FLOOD ZONE INFORMATION:

PER FEMA F.I.R.M. NO. 17031C0217.J. DATED 08/19/2008 PROPERTY IS IN ZONE "X", AREAS OF MINIMAL FLOOD HAZARD.

EACH OF THE ADDITIONAL TABLE "A" ITEMS LISTED IN SURVEYOR'S CERTIFICATE (AS REQUESTED BY CLIENT) HAVE BEEN ADDRESSED. THE FOLLOWING ITEMS NO'S. HAVE NO NOTATION ON THIS PLAT AS THE REFERENCED CONDITIONS DO NOT EXIST ON, OR APPLY TO SUBJECT PROPERTY:

16, 17

STATE OF ILLINOIS) S.S.

TO: COMPASSPOINT DEVELOPMENT, LLC, AN ILLINOIS LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY CITY OF DES PLAINES, A MUNICIPAL CORPORATION OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS CHICAGO TITLE INSURANCE COMPANY ATTORNEYS' TITLE GUARANTY FUND, INC.

THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT THIS MAP OR PLAT AND THE SURVEY ON WHICH IT IS BASED WERE MADE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE 2021 MINIMUM STANDARD DETAIL REQUIREMENTS FOR ALTA/NSPS LAND TITLE SURVEYS, JOINTLY ESTABLISHED AND ADOPTED BY ALTA AND NSPS, AND INCLUDES ITEMS

1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7(a), 8, 9, 11, 14, 16, 17, 20 OF TABLE A THEREOF NOVEMBER 20, A.D. 20 21

DECEMBER 10, A.D. 2021 DATE OF PLAT:

ILLINOIS PROFESSIONAL LAND SURVEYOR NO. 2925 MY LICENSE EXPIRES NOVEMBER 30, 2022 ILLINOIS PROFESSIONAL DESIGN FIRM LICENSE NO. 184.002870

THE FIELD WORK WAS COMPLETED ON

Page 22 of 59



# **622 GRACELAND AVENUE**

MULTI-FAMILY DEVELOPMENT

ZONING SUMMARY				
PROPOSED ZONING DISTRICT: ZONING DESCRIPTION: SITE AREA:	C-5 CENTRAL BUSIN 43,505 SF	ESS		
	ORDINANCE REQUIREMENT	PROPOSED		
FAR	N/A	4.3		
BUILDING AREA, GROSS (GFA)	N/A	186,893 SF		
MAX UNITS	N/A	126		
FRONT YARD (GRACELAND AVE) Adjacent Residential Minimum:5 FT. Adjacent Other Minimum: N/A	20'	20'		
SIDE YARD				
(SOUTH - ALONG WEBFORD AVE) Adjacent Residential Minimum: Setback of adjacent residential district.	25'-0"	27'-6"		
Adjacent Other Minimum: 5ft. if abutting street or alley.	5'-0"	20'-0"		
(NORTH - ALONG RAILROAD TRACKS) Adjacent Other Minimum: 5ft. if abutting street or alley	0'-0"	0'-0"		
REAR YARD (NEXT TO R-ZONE) (PROPERTY AT 1330 WEBFORD AVE)	0'-0" 0'-0"	0'-0" 0'-0"		
Adjacent Residential Minimum: 25 ft or 20% of lot depth, whichever is less. Adjacent Other Minimum: N/A				
HEIGHT (W/ GROUND FLOOR RETAIL)	100'-0"	84'-0"		
PARKING STUDIO & 1 BEDROOM UNITS	1.0 x 120 = 120	120		
2-BR UNIT	1.5 X 11 = 16.5	17		
TOTAL RESIDENTIAL PARKING SPACES	136.5	140		
COMMERCIAL (RESTAURANT)	17	17		
PUBLIC	38	38		
TOTAL:	192 SPACES	195 SPACES		

GROSS BUI	LDI	NG AREA:	187	,529 SF			
BUILDING A	REA	<u> </u>					
	G	ROSS	NE	Т	NET	(RESIDENTIAL)	)
TOTAL:	18	37,529 SF	120	),548 SF	88,62	27 SF	
LEVEL 01:	3	35,115 SF	4	1,477 SF	0 SF		
LEVEL 02:	3	35,119 SF	4,623 SI		0 SF		
LEVEL 03:	2	23,558 SF 22		2,153 SF	15,295 SF		
LEVEL 04:	2	24,080 SF 22		2,164 SF	18,630 SF		
LEVEL 05:	2	23,653 SF 22		2,824 SF	19,143 SF		
LEVEL 06:	2	23,653 SF	22,824 SF		19,1	52 SF	
LEVEL 07:	2	22,351 SF	21	21,483 SF   16,408 SF			
PARKING SPACES							
		RESIDEN	TIAL	PUBLIC		COMMERCIAL	TOTAL
LOWER LEVEL 15			4		0	19	
LEVEL 01		41		34		17	92
LEVEL 02		84		0		0	84
TOTAL	TAL 140			38		17	195

UNIT MATRIX				
	STUDIO	1-BED	2-BED	TOTALS
LEVEL 3	6	17	1	24
LEVEL 4	3	22	2	27
LEVEL 5	3	22	3	28
LEVEL 6	3	22	3	28
LEVEL 7	2	20	2	24
TOTALS	17	103	11	131





**OKW ARCHITECTS** 600 W. Jackson, Suite 250 Chicago, IL 60661



DES PLAINES MULTI-FAMILY

622 GRACELAND AVE.

March 17, 2022 Project #: 21084







DES PLAINES MULTI-FAMILY

622 GRACELAND AVE.

March 17, 2022 Project #: 21084







DES PLAINES MULTI-FAMILY

622 GRACELAND AVE.

March 17, 2022 Project #: 21084







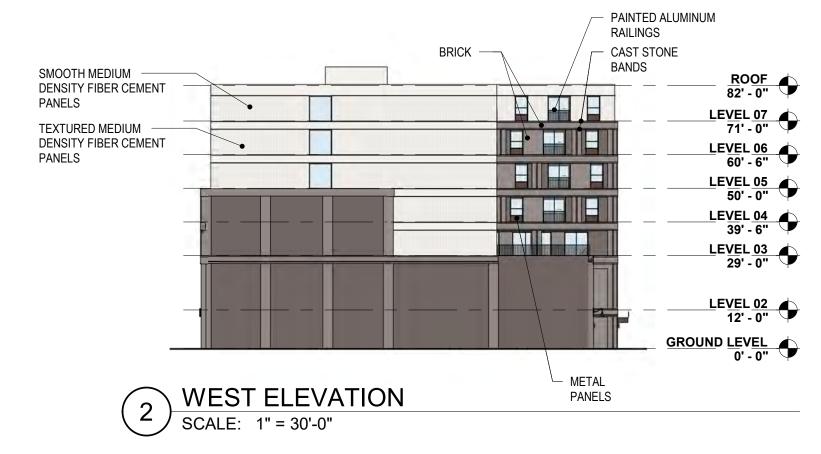
SCALE: 1" = 30' 0 7.5' 15' 30



DES PLAINES MULTI-FAMILY

622 GRACELAND AVE.

March 17, 2022 Project #: 21084







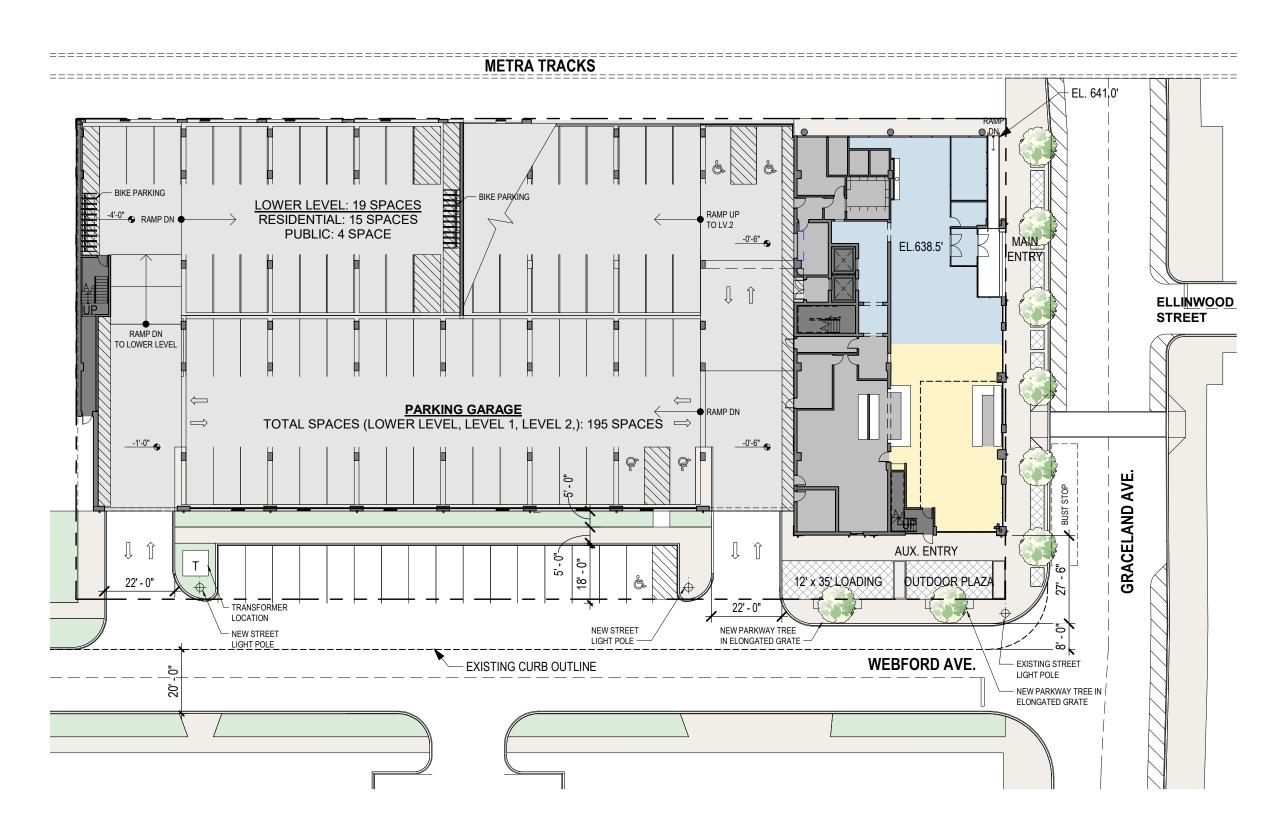
SCALE: 1" = 30' 0 7.5' 15' 30'



**DES PLAINES MULTI-FAMILY** 

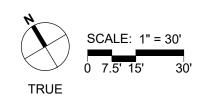
622 GRACELAND AVE.

March 17, 2022 Project #: 21084









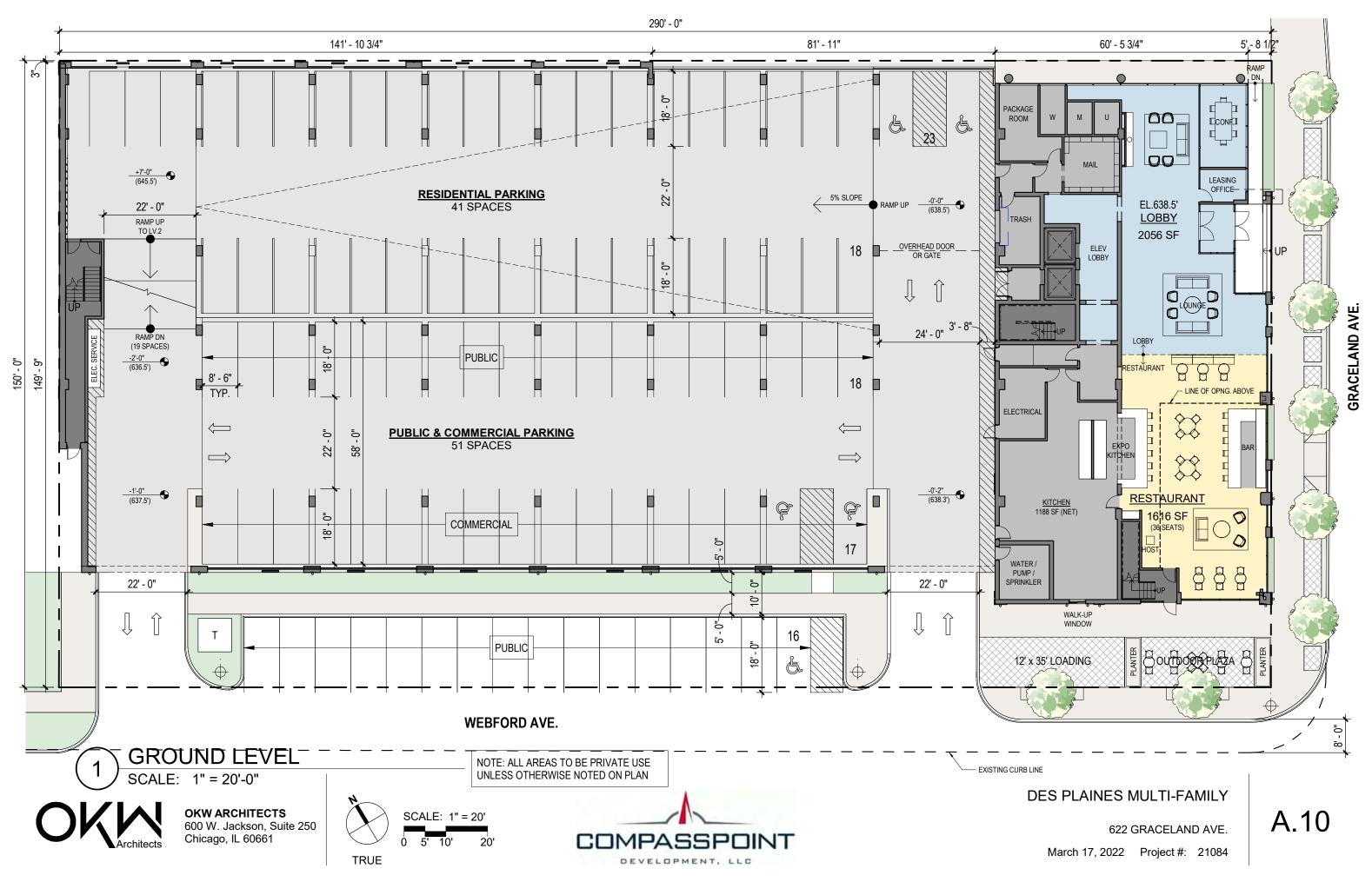


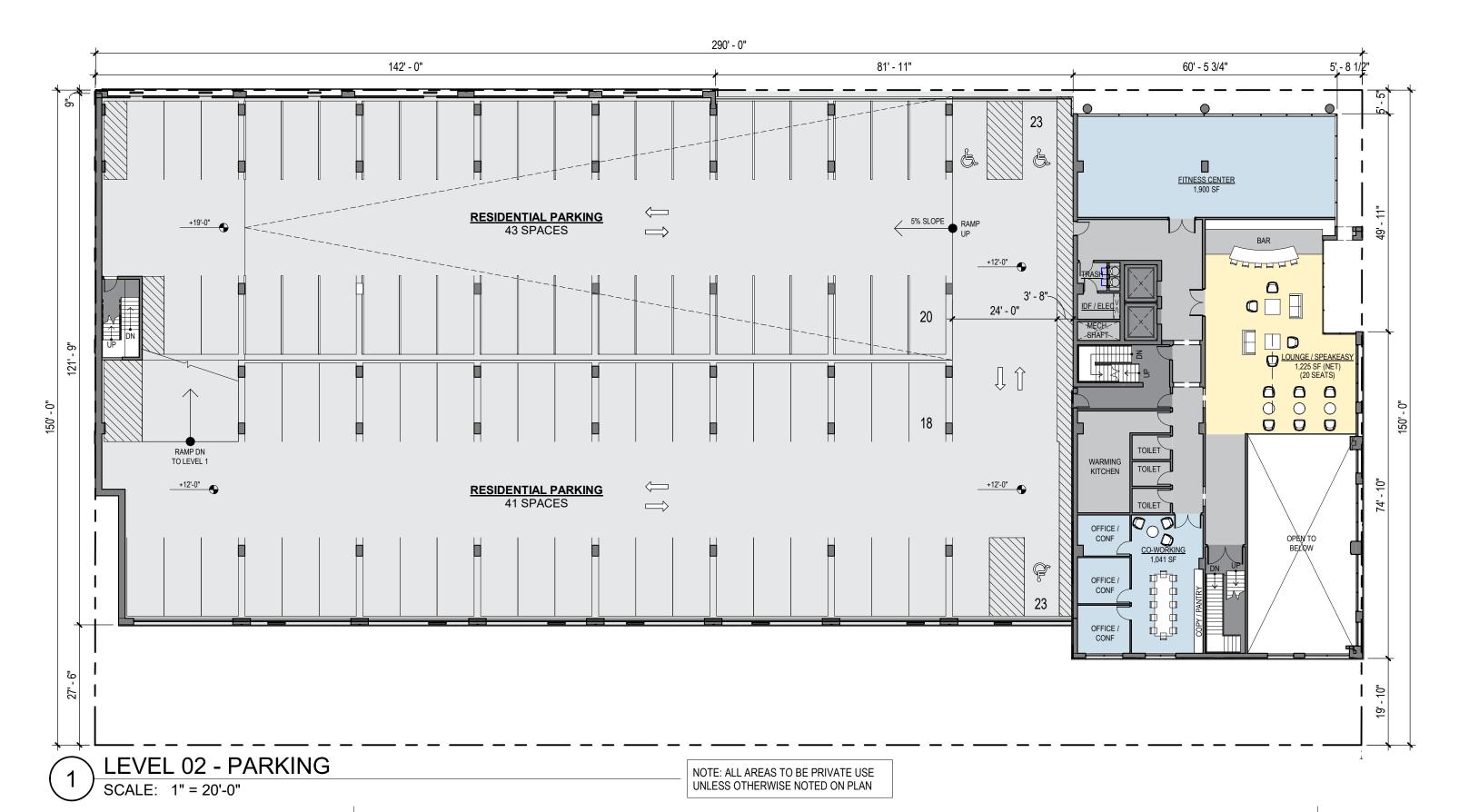
**DES PLAINES MULTI-FAMILY** 

622 GRACELAND AVE.

April 4, 2022 Project #: 21084

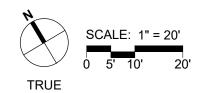
CELAND AVE. A.9





OKM

OKW ARCHITECTS 600 W. Jackson, Suite 250 Chicago, IL 60661

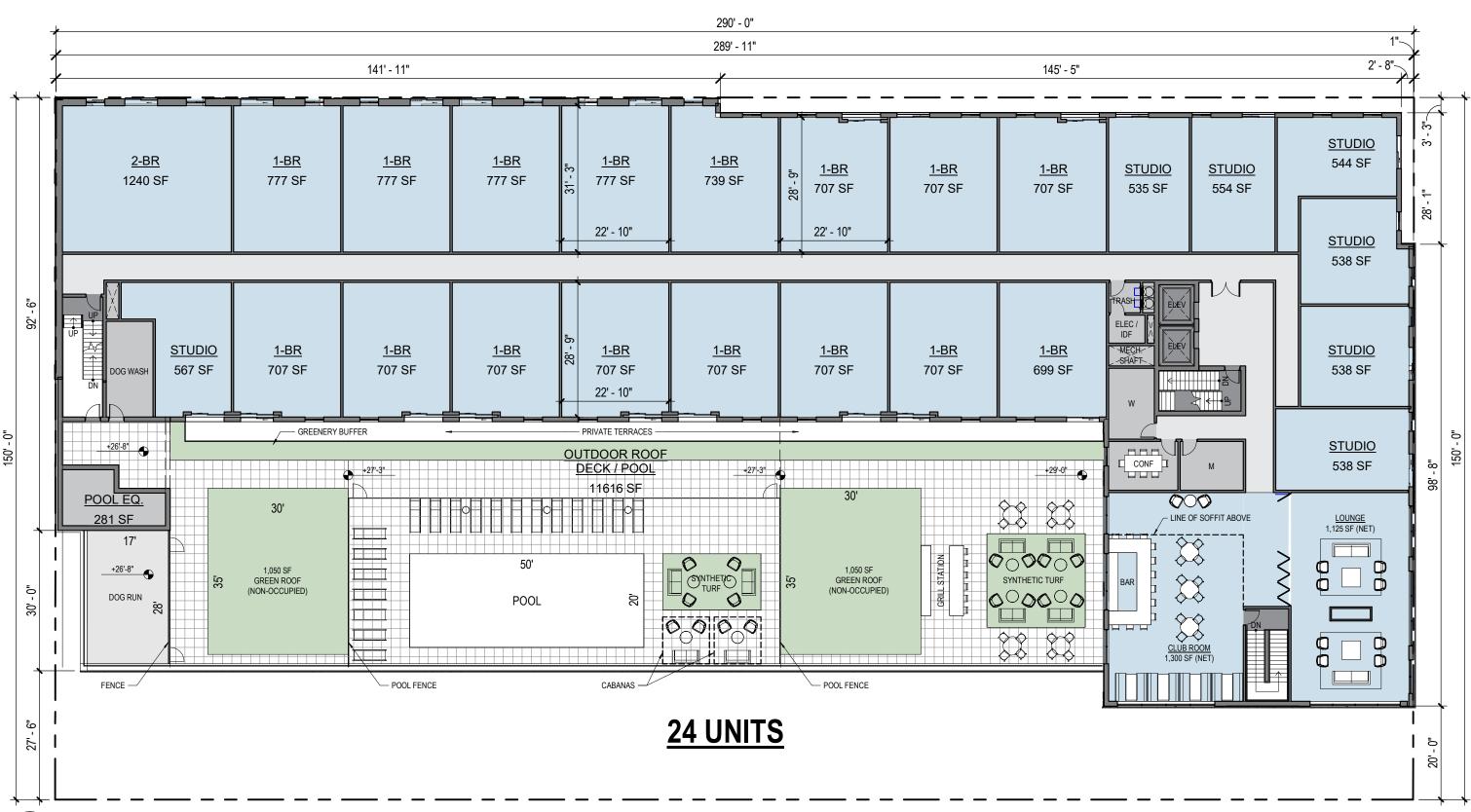




DES PLAINES MULTI-FAMILY

622 GRACELAND AVE.

March 17, 2022 Project #: 21084



LEVEL 03 AMENITY AND POOL LEVEL

SCALE: 1" = 20'-0"

NOTE: ALL AREAS TO BE PRIVATE USE UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED ON PLAN



OKW ARCHITECTS 600 W. Jackson, Suite 250 Chicago, IL 60661

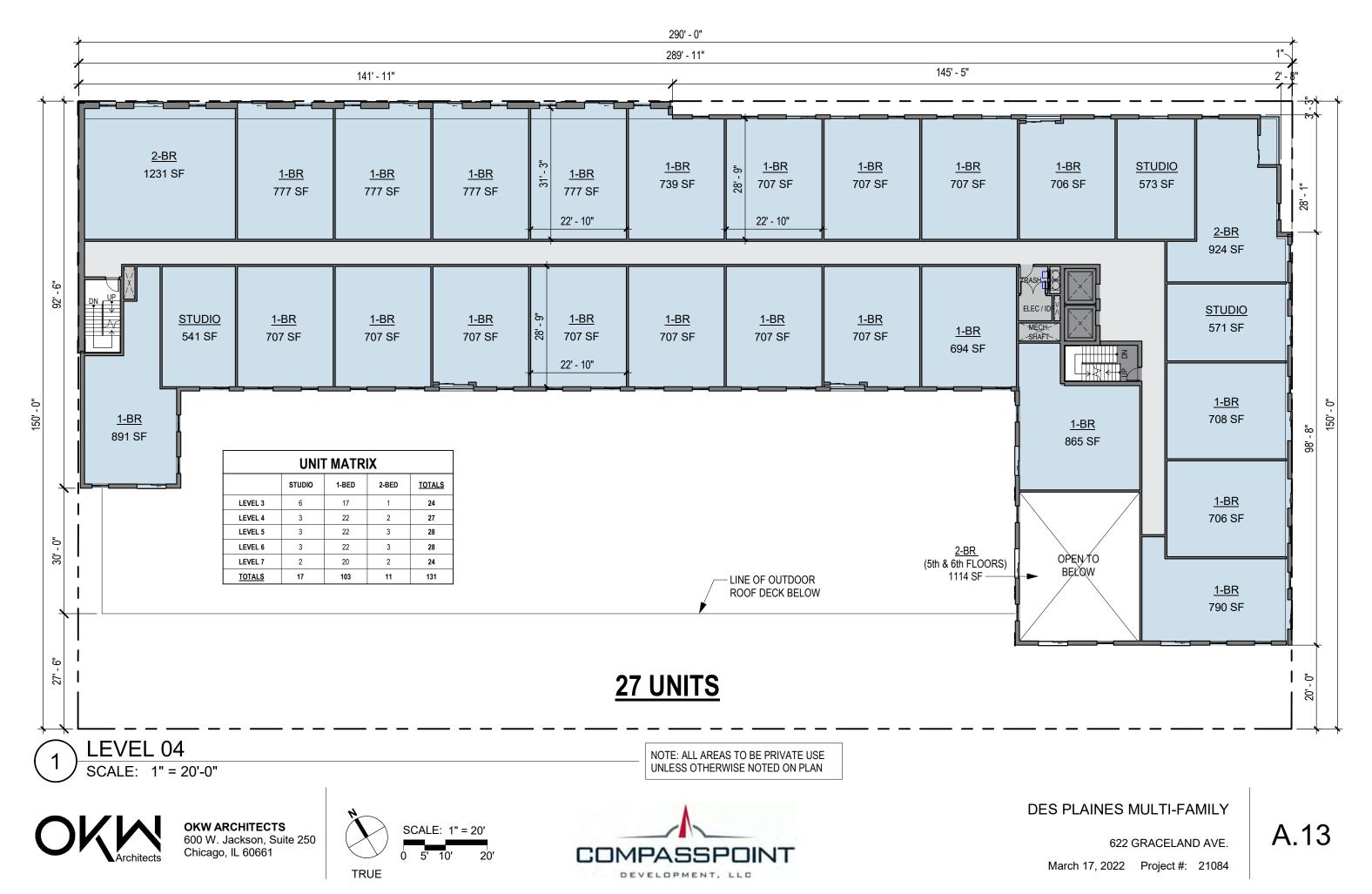




DES PLAINES MULTI-FAMILY

622 GRACELAND AVE.

March 17, 2022 Project #: 21084



Attachment 7





SCALE: 1" = 20'-0"

NOTE: ALL AREAS TO BE PRIVATE USE UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED ON PLAN



**OKW ARCHITECTS** 600 W. Jackson, Suite 250 Chicago, IL 60661





**DES PLAINES MULTI-FAMILY** 

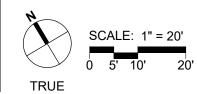
622 GRACELAND AVE.

March 17, 2022 Project #: 21084



OKW

**OKW ARCHITECTS** 600 W. Jackson, Suite 250 Chicago, IL 60661

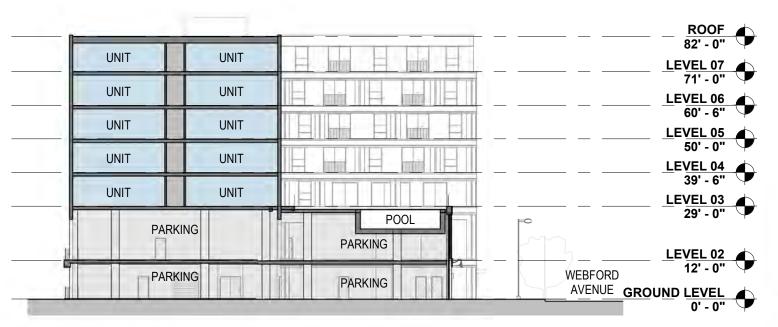




DES PLAINES MULTI-FAMILY

622 GRACELAND AVE.

March 17, 2022 Project #: 21084





SECTION - NORTH/SOUTH

SCALE: 1" = 30'-0"

SECTION - NORTH/SOUTH
SCALE: 1" = 30'-0"



SECTION - EAST/WEST

SCALE: 1" = 30'-0"



**OKW ARCHITECTS** 600 W. Jackson, Suite 250 Chicago, IL 60661

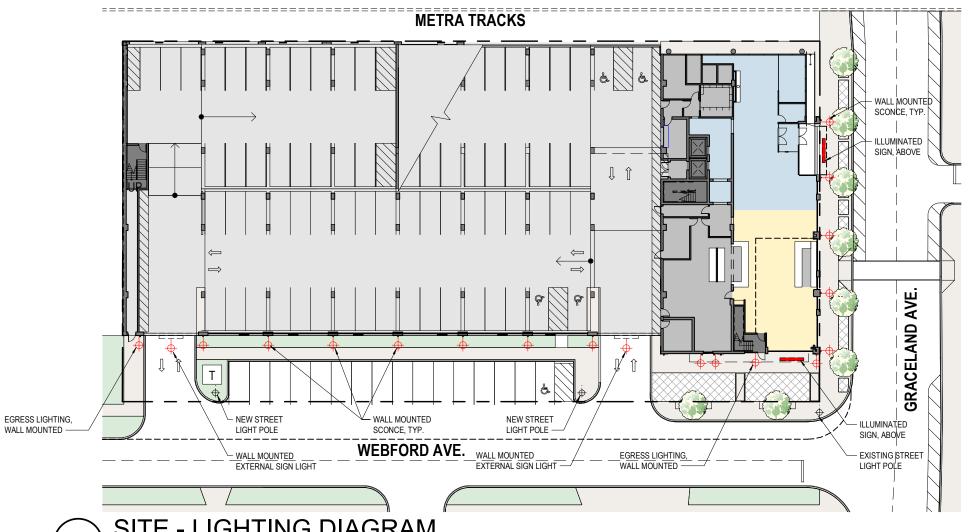
SCALE: 1" = 30' 0 7.5' 15' 30'



DES PLAINES MULTI-FAMILY

622 GRACELAND AVE.

March 17, 2022 Project #: 21084





10' 20'

TRUE

Chicago, IL 60661

SITE - LIGHTING DIAGRAM SCALE: 1" = 40'-0" ROOF LINEAR WALL WASHER, TYP. 82' - 0" LEVEL 07 71' - 0" LEVEL 06 60' - 6" LEVEL 05 50' - 0" LEVEL 04 39' - 6" LEVEL 03 29' - 0" LEVEL 02 12' - 0" GROUND LEVEL /III GARAGE GARAGE 0' - 0" ENTRANCE / EXIT ENTRANCE / EXIT WALL MOUNTED EXTERNAL SIGN LIGHT - ILLUMINATED SIGN WALL MOUNTED SCONE, TYP. DOWNLIGHTS WITHIN CANOPY **SOUTH ELEVATION** SCALE: 1" = 40'-0"

LT.1

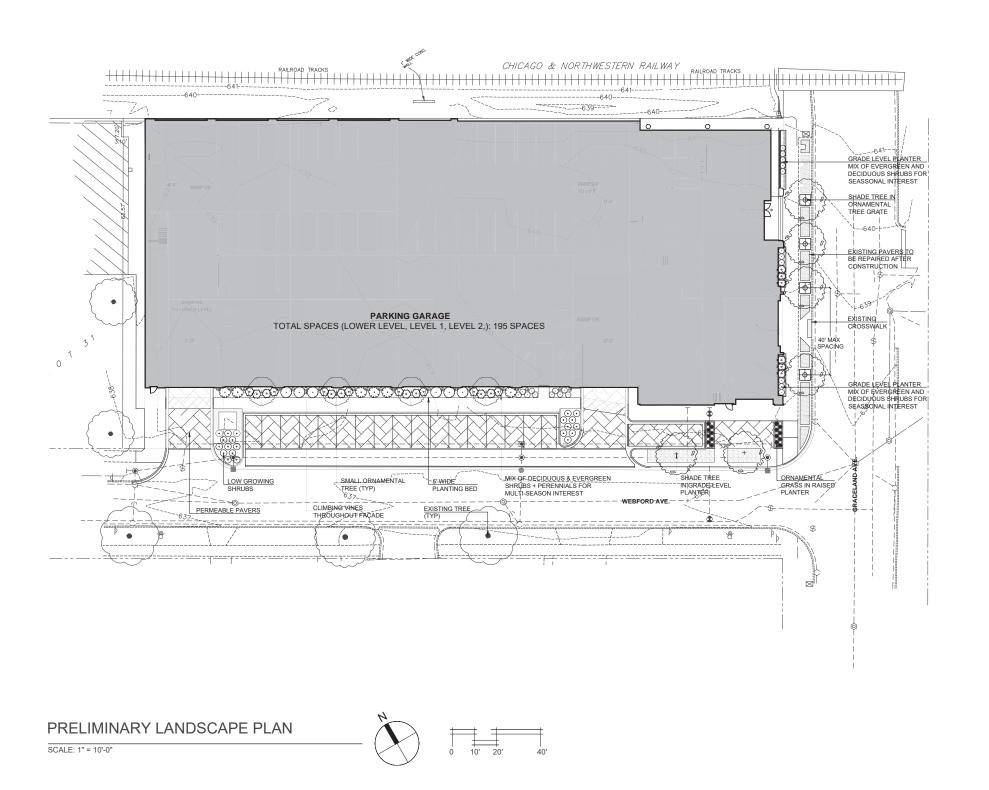
622 GRACELAND AVE.

March 17, 2022 Project #: 21084

**DES PLAINES MULTI-FAMILY** 

Page 36 of 59 Attachment 7

DEVELOPMENT, LLC



PARKING AREAS 5' LANDSCAPE BUFFER BETWEEN PARKING AREA AND PUBLIC SIDEWALK PUBLIC WALK LOCATED AS A CARRIAGE WALK TO REQUIREMENT: FRONT-LOADED PARKING SPACES ADJACENT TO THE ROW. 5' LANDSCAPE BUFFER TO BE LOCATED ALONG THE PUBLIC SIDEWALK OPPOSITE OF STALLS. NOTE: RELIEF REQUESTED FOR LOCATION OF BUFFER REQUIREMENT: 1 TREE PER 40' OF PARKING AREA LENGTH PROPOSED: 1 TREE PER 40' OF PARKING AREA LENGTH REQUIREMENT: 1 SHRUB PER 3' OF PARKING AREA LENGTH PROPOSED: 1 SHRUB PER 3' OF PARKING AREA LENGTH REQUIREMENT: LANDSCAPE AREA AROUND 35% OF FOUNDATION LANDSCAPE AREA AROUND APPROXIMATELY 50% OF FOUNDATION STREETSCAPE (GRACELAND AVENUE): REQUIREMENT: 1 PARKWAY TREE PER 40-60'
PROPOSED: 1 PARKWAY TREE PER 40' MINIMUM NOTE: CITY STREETSCAPE STANDARDS TO BE IMPLEMENTED LOADING SCREENING: REQUIREMENT: LOADING TO BE SCREENED WITH A SOLID WOOD OR MASONRY FENCE 6-8' TALL OR CONTINUOUS EVERGREEN HEDGE.

PROPOSED: LOADING AREA TO BE DISCRETELY INTEGRATED INTO THE LANDSCAPE AND FINISHED WITH PAVERS A SHADE TREE TO MATCH OTHER OUTDOOR AREAS ADJACENT TO BUILDING. NOTE: RELIEF REQUESTED FOR SCREENING METHOD MECHANICAL EQUIPMENT SCREENING:

REQUIREMENT: MECHANICAL EQUIPMENT TO BE SCREENED WITH

PROPOSED:

NOTE: RELIEF REQUESTED

MASONRY WALL ON ALL SIDES
LANDSCAPING TO BE INSTALLED IN AREA ADJACENT
TO EQUIPMENT AND THE STREET

PLANT KEY

+ D SHADE TREE

ORNAMENTAL TREE

DECIDUOUS SHRUB

EVERGREEN SHRUB

CLIMBING VINE

ORNAMENTAL GRASS

GROUNDCOVER

Kathryn Talty

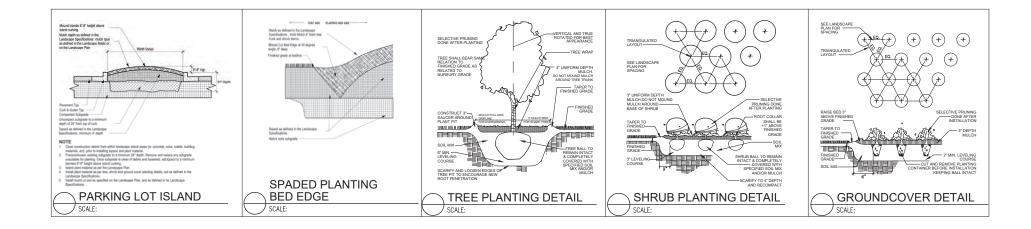
Winnetka, Illinois 60093 847.612.5154 www.kmtaltydesign.com

**Attachment 8** 

Typical Master Plant List								
vmbol	Quantity	Botanical Name	Common Name	Size	Notes			
YITIDOI	Quantity	Botanica Name	COTHER TYATE	Size	ivotes			
			Shade Trees	-				
AFR		ACER X FREEMANII 'AUTUMN BLAZE'	AUTUMN BLAZE FREEMAN MAPLE	4" BB				
GBI		GINKGO BILOBA	GINKGO	4" BB	MALE SPEC. ONLY			
GYD		GYMNOCLADUS DIOICUS	KENTUCKY COFFEETREE	4" BB				
PLA		PLATANUS x ACERIFOLIA 'MORTON CIRCLE'	EXCLAMATION LONDON PLANETREE	4" BB				
QMU		QUERCUS MUEHLENBERGII	CHINKAPIN OAK	4" BB				
TAR		TILIA AMERICANA 'REDMOND'	REDMOND AMERICAN LINDEN	4" BB				
UCU		ULMUS CULTIVAR 'ACCOLADE' 'TRIUMPH'	ACCOLADE ELM	4" BB				
		DEMOGRACIA DE TRADATA	/ COOD IDE ELIV	1 55				
			Evergreen Trees					
JUV		JUNIPERUS VIRGINIANA	EASTERN RED CEDAR	8' BB				
PAS		PICEA AIBES	NORWAY SPRUCE	8' BB				
PIN		PINUS STROBUS	WHITE PINE	8' BB				
PSU		PSEUDOSTUGA MENZIESII	DOUGLAS FIR	8' BB				
			Ornamental Trees	'	·			
AC		AMELANCHIER CANADENSIS	SHADBLOW SERVICEBERRY	6' BB				
BN		BETULA NIGRA	RIVER BIRCH	8' BB				
CK		CORNUS KOUSA	KOUSA DOGWOOD	6' BB				
HV		HAMAMELIS VIRGINIANA	COMMON WITCHHAZEL	6' BB				
MG		MAGNOLIA STELLATA	STAR MAGNOLIA	4' BB				
MS		MALUS SARGENT	SARGENT CRABAPPLE	6' BB	8', GREEN, PINK			
			Deciduous Shrubs					
AM		ARONIA MELANOCARPA 'IROQUOIS BEAUTY'	IROQUOIS BEAUTY BLACK CHOKEBERRY	24" BB				
CA		CLETHRA ALNIFOLIA 'HUMMINGBIRD'	HUMMINGBIRD CLETHRA	5 GAL				
cs		CORNUS SERICEA 'ISANTI'	ISANTI RED TWIG DOGWOOD	24" BB				
HA		HYDRANGEA ARBORESCENS	ANNABELLE HYDRANGEA	5 GAL				
HP		HYDRANGEA PANICULATA 'TARDIVA'	TARDIVA HYDRANGEA	36" BB				
RK		ROSA 'KNOCKOUT'	KNOCKOUT SHRUB ROSE	2 GAL	DOUBLE PINK			
SR		SYRINGA PATULA 'MISS KIM'	MISS KIM LILAC	36" BB				
			Groundcover					
ef		EUONYMOUS FORTUNEI 'COLORATUS'	PURPLELEAF WINTERCREEPER	3" POTS				
vm		VINCA MINOR	PERIWINKLE	3" POTS				
			Perennials					
ls		LEUCANTHEMUM X SUPERBUM 'BECKY'	SHASTA DAISY	1 GAL	24" WHITE			
nf		NEPETA X FAASSENII	FAASSEN'S CATMINT	1 GAL	12" LAVENDER			
			0					
		CALAMAGROSTIS ACUTIFLORA 'KARL FOERSTER	Grasses  FEATHER REED GRASS	3 GAL	3'			
ca		CALAIVAGROSTIS ACUTIFLORA KARL FOERSTER	TEATHER REED GRASS	3 GAL	ا ا			

#### GENERAL CONSTRUCTION NOTES

- REQUIRED LANDSCAPE MATERIAL SHALL SATISFY AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF NURSERYMEN STANDARDS AND BE STAKED, WRAPPED, WATERED AND MULCHED PER ORDINANCE.
- BEFORE ANY EXCAVATION ON THE SITE, CALL TO LOCATE ANY EXISTING UTILITIES ON THE SITE. THE CONTRACTOR SHALL
  FAMILIARIZE HIMHERSELF WITH THE LOCATIONS OF ALL BURIED UTILITIES IN THE AREAS OF WORK BEFORE STARTING
  OPERATIONS. THE CONTRACTOR SHALL BE LUBLE FOR THE COST OF REPAIRING OR REPLACING ANY BURIED CONDUITS,
  CABLES OR PIPING DAMAGED DURING THE INSTALLATION OF THIS WORK.
- 3. PLANT QUANTITIES ON PLANT LIST INTENDED TO BE A GUIDE. ALL QUANTITIES SHALL BE CHECKED AND VERIFIED ON PLANTING PLAN. ANY DISCREPANCIES SHALL BE DISCUSSED WITH THE LANDSCAPE ARCHITECT.
- 4. ANY DEVIATIONS FROM OR MODIFICATIONS TO THIS PLAN SHALL BE APPROVED BY THE LANDSCAPE ARCHITECT PRIOR TO
- CONTRACTOR TO NOTIFY LANDSCAPE ARCHITECT UPON DELIVERY OF PLANT MATERIAL TO THE SITE. LANDSCAPE ARCHITECT RESERVES THE RIGHT TO REJECT ANY PLANT MATERIAL THAT DOESN'T MEET STANDARDS OR SPECIFICATIONS OF THE PROJECT.
- 6. ALL PLANT MATERIAL TO BE INSTALLED PER THE PLANTING DETAILS PROVIDED ON THIS PLAN SET.
- 7. ALL BED EDGES TO BE WELL SHAPED, SPADE CUT, WITH LINES AND CURVES AS SHOWN ON THIS PLAN SET.
- ALL PLANTING BEDS TO BE PREPARED WITH PLANTING MIX: 50% TOPSOIL, 50% SOIL AMENDMENTS (3 PARTS PEATMOSS, 1 PART COMPOST, 1 PART SAND)
- 9. ALL PARKING LOT ISLANDS SHALL BE BACKFILLED WITH THE FOLLOWING: 2' OF BLENDED GARDEN SOIL MIX (60% TOPSOI
- 10. ALL SPECIFIED LANDSCAPE MATERIAL INDICATED ON THE CONSTRUCTION DOCUMENTS WILL BE REQUIRED TO BE MAINTAINED THROUGHOUT THE LIFE OF THE PROJECT AND MUST BE REPLACED SHOULD IT DIE OR BECOME DAMAGED.
- 11. ALL PLANT MATERIAL SHALL HAVE A ONE YEAR GUARANTEE FROM SUBSTANTIAL COMPLETION AS DETERMINED BY THE LANDSCAPE ARCHITECT, AND SHALL BE REPLACED SHOULD IT DIE WITHIN THAT PERIOD.
- 12. PROTECT STRUCTURES, SIDEWALKS, PAVEMENTS AND UTILITIES TO REMAIN FROM DAMAGE CAUSED BY SETTLEMENT, LATERAL MOVEMENT, UNDERMINING, WASHOUTS AND OTHER HAZARDS CAUSED BY SITE IMPROVEMENT OPERATIONS.
- 13. ALL LAWN AREAS TO BE SEEDED WITH STANDARD TURF GRASS SEED AND COVERED WITH EROSION CONTROL BLANKET. UNLESS OTHERWISE SPECIFIED ON THE PLAN.
- 14. CAREFULLY MAINTAIN PRESENT GRADE AT BASE OF ALL EXISTING TREES TO REMAIN. PREVENT ANY DISTURBANCE OF EXISTING TREES INCLUDING ROOT ZONES. USE TREE PROTECTION BARRICADES WHERE INDICATED. PROTECT EXISTING TREES TO REMAIN AGAINST UNINCESSARY CUTTING, BREAKING OR SKINNING POOTS, BRUISING OF BARK OR SMOTHERING OF TREES. DRIVING, PARKING, DUMPING, STOCKPILING AND/OR STORAGE OF VEHICLES, EQUIPMENT, SUPPLIES, MATERIALS OR DEBRIS ON TOP THE ROOT ZONES AND/OR WITHIN THE DRIPLINE OF EXISTING TREES OR OTHER PLANT MATERIAL TO REMAIN IS STRICTLY PROHIBITED.
- 15. THE CONTRACTOR AT ALL TIMES SHALL KEEP THE PREMISES ON WHICH WORK IS BEING DONE, CLEAR OF RUBBISH AND DEBRIS. ALL PAVEMENT AND DEBRIS REMOVED FROM THE SITE SHALL BE DISPOSED OF LEGALLY.
- 16. ALL WORK AND OPERATIONS SHALL COMPLY WITH ALL APPLICABLE FEDERAL, STATE AND LOCAL CODES AND ORDINANCES.



Kathryn Talty
Iandscape architecture
Winnetka, Illinois 60093

Winnetka, Illinois 60093 847.612.5154 www.kmtaltydesign.com

### TENTATIVE PLAT OF GRACELAND-WEBFORD SUBDIVISION

P.I.N.s 09-17-306-036-0000 09-17-306-038-0000 09-17-306-040-0000

PARCEL 1: LOTS 35, 36 AND 37 IN BLOCK 1 IN DES PLAINES MANOR, TRACT NO. 1, A SUBDIVISION OF PART OF SECTIONS 17 AND 20, TOWNSHIP 41 NORTH, RANGE 12 EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED JULY 14, 1911 AS DOCUMENT NO. 4793563, IN COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS. PROPERTY COMMONLY KNOWN AS: 622 GRACELAND AVE., DES PLAINES, IL. 60016 CONTAINING: 22,509.41 SQ. FT., 0.52 AC. (MORE OR LESS)

PARCEL 2:

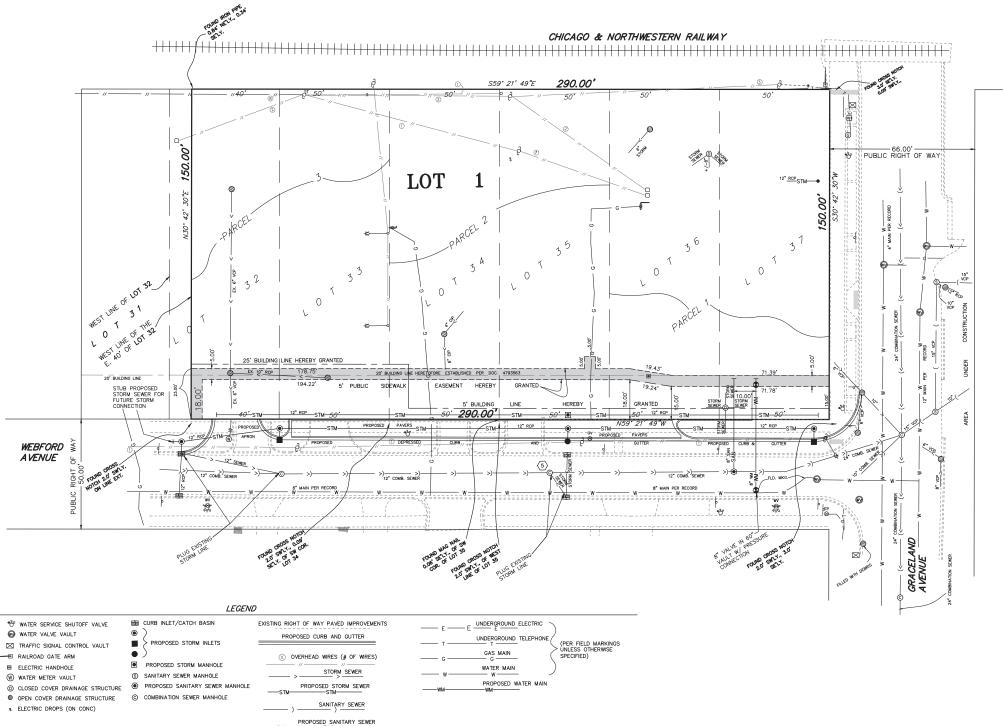
UNDERLYING PROPERTY LEGAL DESCRIPTION:

LOT 34 IN BLOCK 1 IN DES PLAINES MANOR, TRACT NO. 1, A SUBDIVISION OF PART OF SECTIONS 17 AND 20, TOWNSHIP 41 NORTH, RANGE 12 EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED JULY 14, 1911 AS DOCUMENT NO. 4793563, IN COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS. PROPERTY COMMONLY KNOWN AS: 1368 WEBFORD AVE., DES PLAINES, IL. 60016 CONTAINING: 7,503.12 SQ. FT., 0.17 AC. (MORE OR LESS)

#### PARCEL 3:

THE SOUTHEASTERLY 40 FEET OF LOT 32 AND ALL OF LOT 32 AND ALL OF LOT 33 IN BLOCK 1 IN DES PLAINES MANOR TRACT NO. 1, A SUBDIVISION OF PART OF SECTIONS 17 AND 20, TOWNSHIP 41 NORTH, RANGE 12 EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED JULY 14, 1911 AS DOCUMENT 4793563, IN COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS. PROPERTY COMMONLY KNOWN AS: 1332 WEBFORD AVE., DES PLAINES, IL. 60016 CONTAINING: 13.499.99 SQ. FT., 0.31 AC. (MORE OR LESS)

CONTAINING: TOTAL (ALL 3 PARCELS) 43,499.97 SQ. FT., 1.00 AC. (MORE OR LESS)



NOTE:

ALL OVERHEAD UTILITIES TO BE RELOCATED UNDERGROUND

#### FLOOD ZONE INFORMATION:

PER FEMA F.I.R.M. NO. 17031C0217J, DATED 08/19/2008, PROPERTY IS IN ZONE "X", AREAS OF MINIMAL FLOOD HAZARD.

#### SURVEYOR CERTIFICATE

STATE OF ILLINOIS

COUNTY OF DUPAGE S.S.

THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT I, JOSEPH GENTILE, ILLINOIS PROFESSIONAL LAND SURVEYOR NUMBER 2925, HAVE SURVEYED AND PLATTED THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED PROPERTY FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSOLIDATING PARCELS (AS SHOWN HEREON) AND THAT THIS PLAT IS A CORRECT REPRESENTATION OF SAID SURVEY AND SUBDIVISION. CORNER MONUMENTS HAVE BEEN FOUND AS SHOWN HEREON. I FURTHER CERTIFY THAT THE PROPERTY IS WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF DES PLANES WHICH HAS ADOPTED AN OFFICIAL COMPREHENSIVE PLAN, THAT THE PROPERTY IS NOT WITHIN A SPECIAL FLOOD HAZARD AREA AS IDENTIFIED BY THE FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY ON THE MOST RECENT FLOOD INSURANCE RATE MAP PANEL 217 OF 832, COMMUNITY PANEL NO. 17031C02175J, FEFECTURE 8 (19/2008)

BASIS OF BEARINGS: ILLINOIS STATE PLANE COORDINATE SYSTEM, EAST ZONE

ALL DISTANCES ARE SHOWN IN FEET AND DECIMAL PARTS THEREOF.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND SEAL THIS 6TH DAY OF APRIL, A.D. 20 22

Cough F Htile ILLINOIS PROFESSIONAL LAND SURVEYOR NO. 2925 MY LICENSE EXPIRES NOVEMBER 30, 2022

550 E. ST. CHARLES PLACE LOMBARD, ILLINOIS 60148 PHONE (630) 916-6262

SAS METER

⊗ GAS VALVE

⇔ ⊔GHT POLE

D UTILITY POLE

FIRE HYDRANT

UTILITY POLE WITH TRANSFORMER

→ "GUY" ANCHOR W/ WIRE

WV WATER SHUTOFF VALVE WITH 8" CASING

☐ ELECTRIC METER (ON BLDGS.)

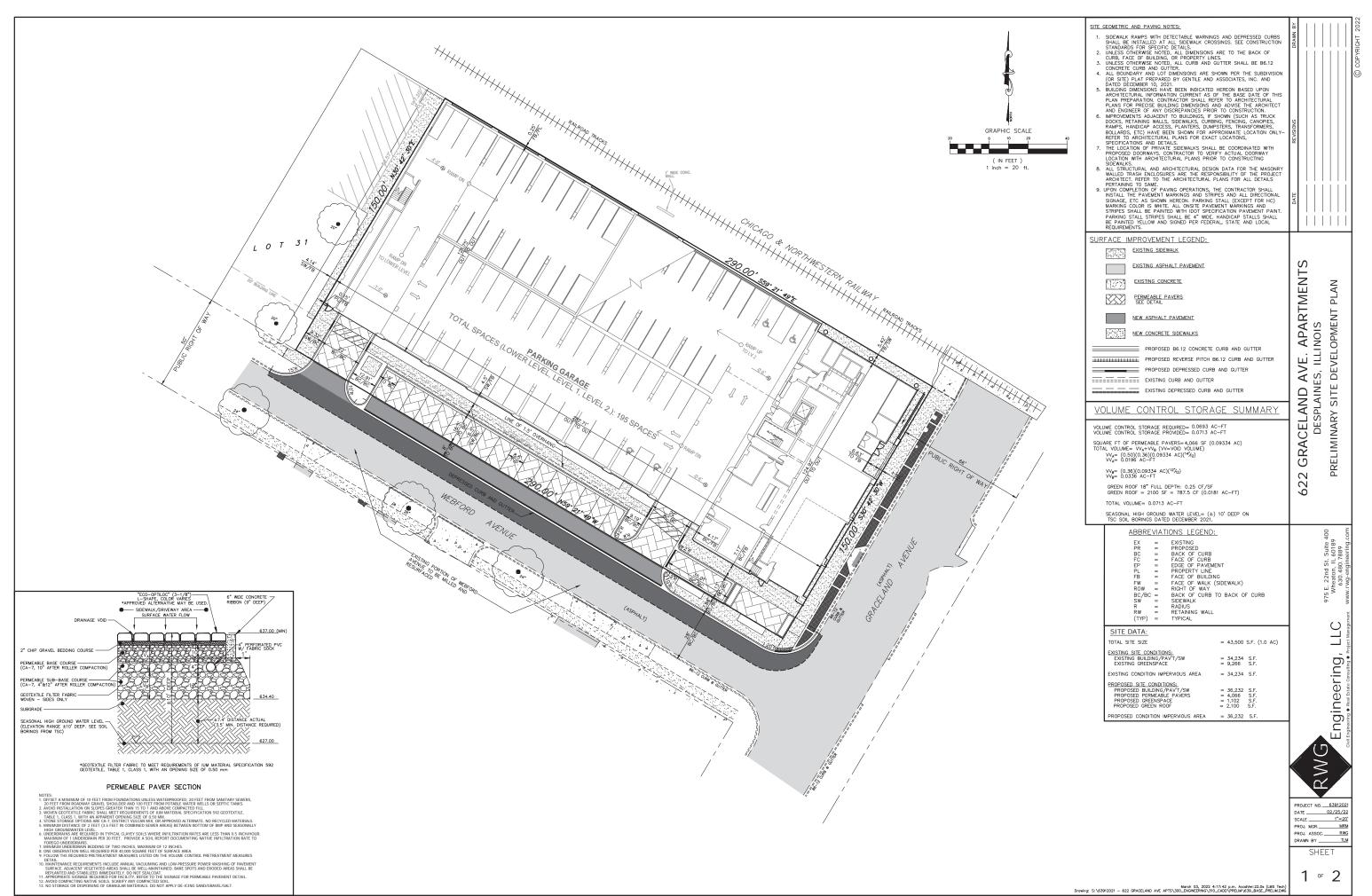
PROFESSIONAL LAND SURVEYORS

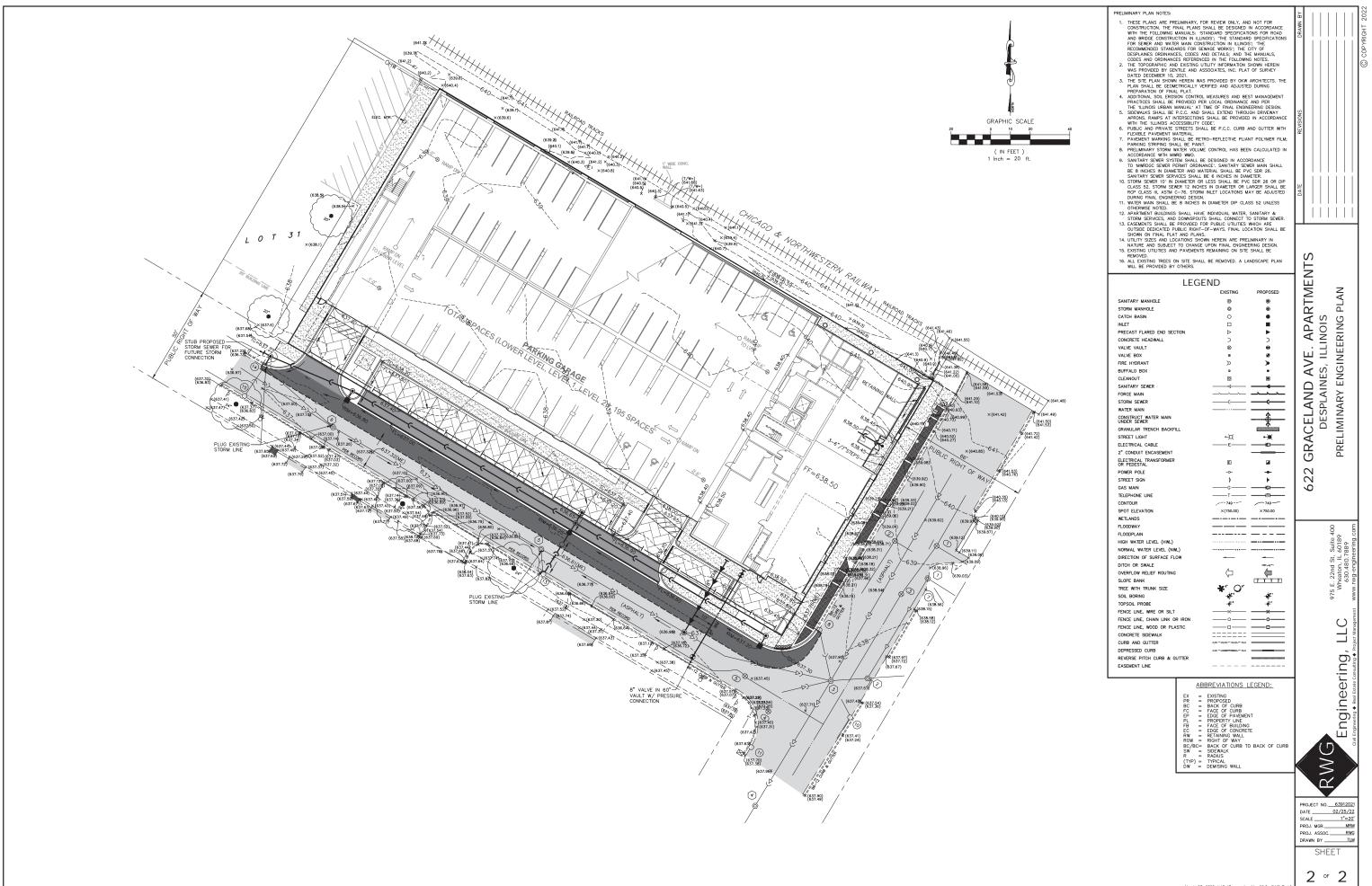
DRAWN BY: VAF

ORDER NO.: 22439-22 SUBD.(TENT.)

ILLINOIS PROFESSIONAL DESIGN FIRM LICENSE NO. 184.002870

GENTILE & ASSOCIATES, INC. NO. DATE REVISION DESCRIPTION BY OWNER: COMPASSPOINT DEVELOPMENT LLC 202 S., COOK ST. SUITE 210 BARRINGTON, IL 60010 CONTACT: JOE TAYLOR III 773.706.4301





Murch 0.3, 2022 4:15:43 p.m. Accolum:22.06 (IUS Tech)
Drowling: S:\63919291 - 622 GRACELAND ANE APTS\300\_BIOMERPHIN\310\_CADD(\phyRellan\639\_EAKE\_PREIM.DM)

Attachment 10

# 622 Graceland Avenue

# Traffic Impact Study

# Des Plaines, Illinois



### **Prepared For:**

622 Graceland Apartments LLC

### Prepared by:

Eriksson Engineering Associates, Ltd.



145 Commerce Drive, Grayslake, Illinois 60030847.223.4804

Attachment 11 Page 42 of 59

### 1 – INTRODUCTION AND EXISTING CONDITIONS

This report summarizes the results of a transportation analysis for the proposed mixed-use development in Downtown Des Plaines, Illinois. The building site is located at 622 Graceland Avenue and consists of three lots occupied by a public parking lot and two commercial buildings. **Figure 1** illustrates the site location and area roadways.

The purpose of this study was to identify the transportation system serving the proposed development, to determine its transportation characteristics, and to evaluate the need for improvements to support the proposed building program.

#### **Site Location**

The development site is located in the northwestern area of Downtown Des Plaines, Illinois. It is bordered by Union Pacific/Metra train tracks to the north, Graceland Avenue to the east, Webford Avenue to the south, and a commercial building to the west. It is occupied by a public parking lot and two commercial buildings.

#### **Roadway Characteristics**

A description of the area roadways providing access to the site is illustrated in Figure 2 and provided below:

Graceland Avenue (U.S. Route 12-45 Southbound) is a one-way southbound other principal arterial that provides two through lanes and extends between Rand Road and Mannheim Road. At its signalized intersection with Miner Street, Graceland Avenue provides a combined through/left-turn lane, a through lane, and an exclusive right-turn lane. At its unsignalized intersection with Ellinwood Street, Graceland Avenue provides a combined through/left-turn lane and a through lane. At its signalized intersection with Prairie Avenue, Graceland Avenue provides a combined through/left-turn lane and a combined through/right-turn lane. The UP-NW Metra Rail Line has an at-grade crossing on Graceland Avenue approximately 60 feet north of Ellinwood Street and 75 feet south of Miner Street. On-street parking is permitted on the east side of Graceland Avenue south of Ellinwood Street. Graceland Avenue is under the jurisdiction of IDOT, has a posted speed limit of 30 mph, and carries an Annual Average Daily Traffic (ADT) volume of 18,800 (IDOT 2018) vehicles.

Miner Street (U.S. Route 14) is an east-west minor arterial that in the vicinity of the site provides two through lanes in each direction. At its signalized intersection with Graceland Avenue, Miner Street provides a through lane and a combined through/right-turn lane on the eastbound approach and a through lane and combined through/left-turn lane on the westbound approach. On-street parking is permitted on the north side of the street between Graceland Avenue and Pearson Street, while a Metra parking lot is provided on the south side of the street between Perry Street and Lee Street. Immediately east of Lee Street, Miner Street provides a pick-up/drop-off lane for the Des Plaines Metra Station separated by a concrete barrier. Miner Street is under the jurisdiction of IDOT, has a posted speed limit of 25 mph in the vicinity of the site, and carries an Annual Average Daily Traffic (AADT) volume of 16,200 (IDOT 2019) vehicles.

**Ellinwood Street** is an east-west local roadway that in the vicinity of the site provides one through lane in each direction and extends from Graceland Avenue east to River Road. At its unsignalized intersection with Graceland Avenue, Ellinwood Street provides a left-turn only lane under stop sign control. Ellinwood Street generally provides diagonal on-street parking spaces on both sides of the street that are limited to 90-minute parking between 6:00 A.M. and 6:00 P.M. every day. Ellinwood Street is under the jurisdiction of the City of Des Plaines.

**Prairie Avenue** is a generally an east-west local roadway that in the vicinity of the site provides one through lane in each direction. At its signalized intersection with Graceland Avenue, Prairie Avenue provides a shared through/right-turn lane on the eastbound approach and an exclusive left turn lane and a through lane on the westbound approach. Prairie Avenue provides on-street parking on the south side of the roadway that is generally restricted to 90 minutes. Prairie Avenue is under the jurisdiction of the City of Des Plaines, has a posted speed

622 Graceland Avenue Traffic Study

February 22, 2022

Attachment 11 Page 43 of 59

#### ERIKSSON ENGINEERING ASSOCIATES, LTD.

limit of 25 miles per hour, and carries an Annual Average Daily Traffic (AADT) volume of 1,850 (IDOT 2018) vehicles.

**Webford Avenue** is an east-west local roadway that in the vicinity of the site provides one through lane in each direction and extends from Graceland Avenue west to Prairie Avenue. At its unsignalized intersection with Graceland Avenue, Webford Avenue provides a right-turn only lane under stop sign control.

#### **Public Transportation**

The site is located near of the Des Plaines Metra station for the UP-NW Metra Rail Line which offers daily service between Harvard/McHenry and Chicago. The site is near several PACE bus routes as described below:

- Route 208 (Golf Road) Davis Street Metra/CTA stations to Northwest Transportation Center (Schaumburg) via Church Street.
- Route 209 (Busse Highway) CTA Blue Line Harlem Station to Downtown Des Plaines
- Route 226 (Oakton Street) Jefferson Park CTA Blue Line station and Oakton Street and Hamilton Street in southern Mt. Prospect (including Des Plaines Metra station) via Oakton Street and Niles Center Road.
- Route 230 (South Des Plaines) Rosemont CTA Blue Line station to the Des Plaines Metra station via River Road.
- Route 234 (Wheeling Des Plaines) Weekday service from Des Plaines to Wheeling. Rush hour service operates between the Des Plaines Metra station and Pace Buffalo Grove Terminal. Mid-day trips end at Strong/Milwaukee (Wheeling). Serves the following major destinations: Holy Family Hospital, Metra UP Northwest Line stations (Des Plaines, Cumberland and Mt. Prospect), Randhurst Mall, Wheeling High School, Metra North Central Line station (Wheeling), Wheeling Municipal Complex, and Wheeling Tower.

Sidewalks are provided on the entire surrounding roadway network and crosswalks are provided at all intersections. In addition, high visibility crosswalks are provided on the north, east, and south legs of Graceland Avenue with Miner Street; the west and south legs of Graceland Avenue with Prairie Avenue; and all legs of Lee Street with Miner Street and Lee Street with Prairie Avenue. Pedestrian walk signals with countdown timers are provided at all signalized intersections within the study area.

#### **Bicycle Routes**

The City of Des Plaines identifies Miner Street, Prairie Avenue, and Graceland Avenue north of Miner Street as locations for future bike routes.

#### Existing Vehicular, Pedestrian, and Bicycle Volumes

Weekday morning (7:00 to 9:00 AM) and afternoon (4:00 to 6:00 PM) manual counts of pedestrians and vehicles were conducted in January 2022 on Graceland Avenue at Miner Street, Webford Avenue, and Prairie Avenue and at the existing site driveways (four)

These counts showed the peak-hours of traffic occurring from 7:45 to 8:45 AM and 4:00 to 5:00 PM on a weekday. However, these counts were conducted during the current pandemic and do not represent prepandemic conditions. A comparison was made with the 2018 pre-pandemic traffic counts conducted for the Ellinwood Apartment traffic study which found the 2018 volumes to be higher than the 2022 traffic counts and slightly different peak-hour of traffic (7:15-8:15 PM and 4:30-5:30 PM). To be conservative, the 2018 traffic counts were used as the base existing traffic volumes for this study and increased by 4% to represent the Year 2022.

**Figures 3** and **4** illustrates the existing vehicular and pedestrian volumes respectively. Copies of the counts can be found in the **Appendix**.

622 Graceland Avenue Traffic Study

February 22, 2022

Attachment 11 Page 44 of 59

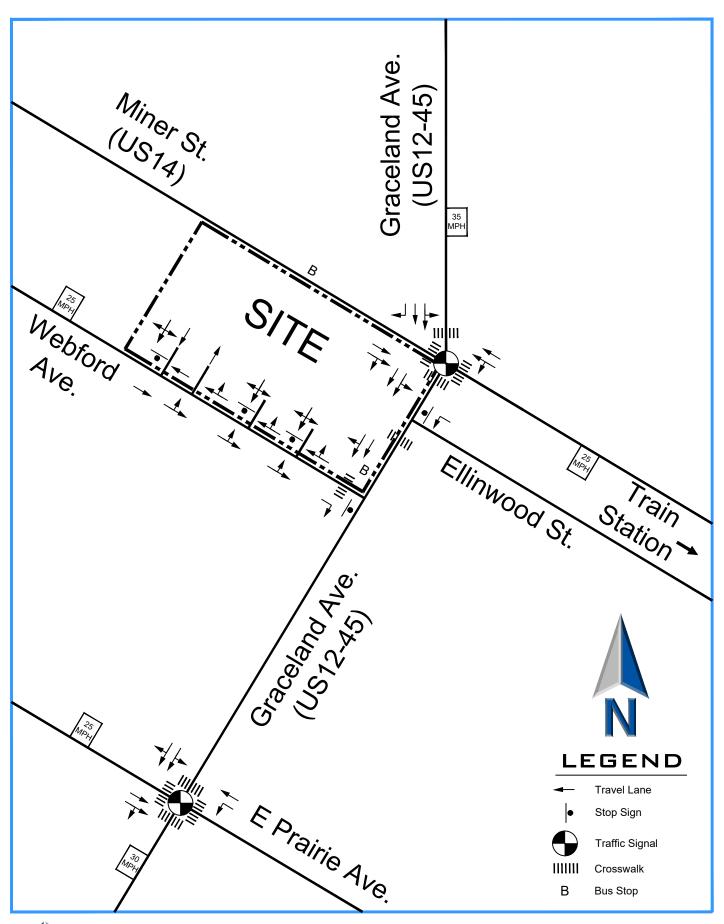




## Site Location and Area Roadways

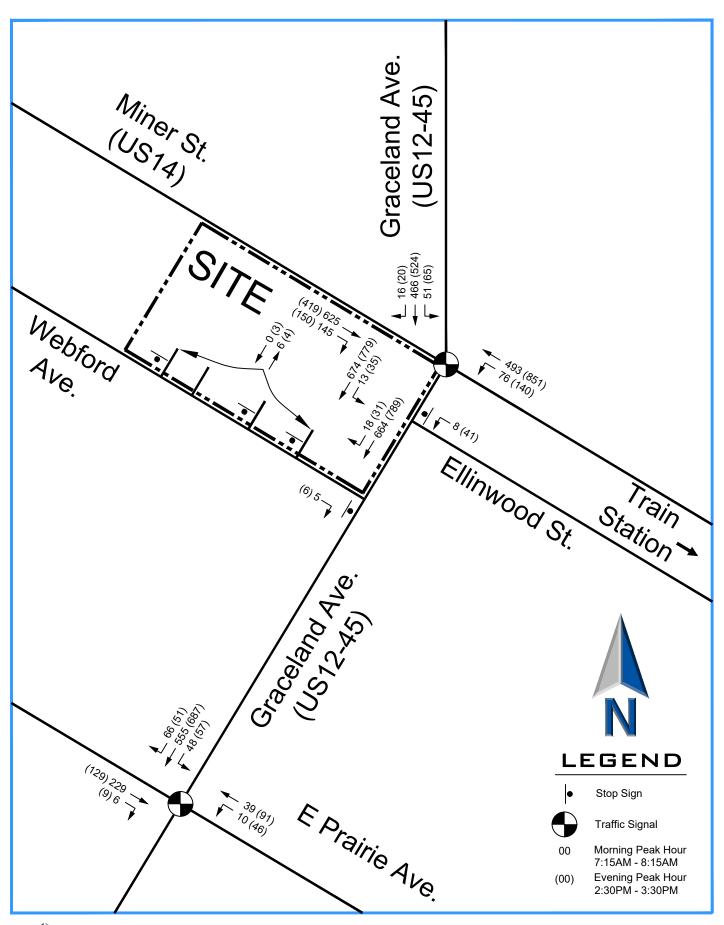
Figure 1

Attachment 11 Page 45 of 59



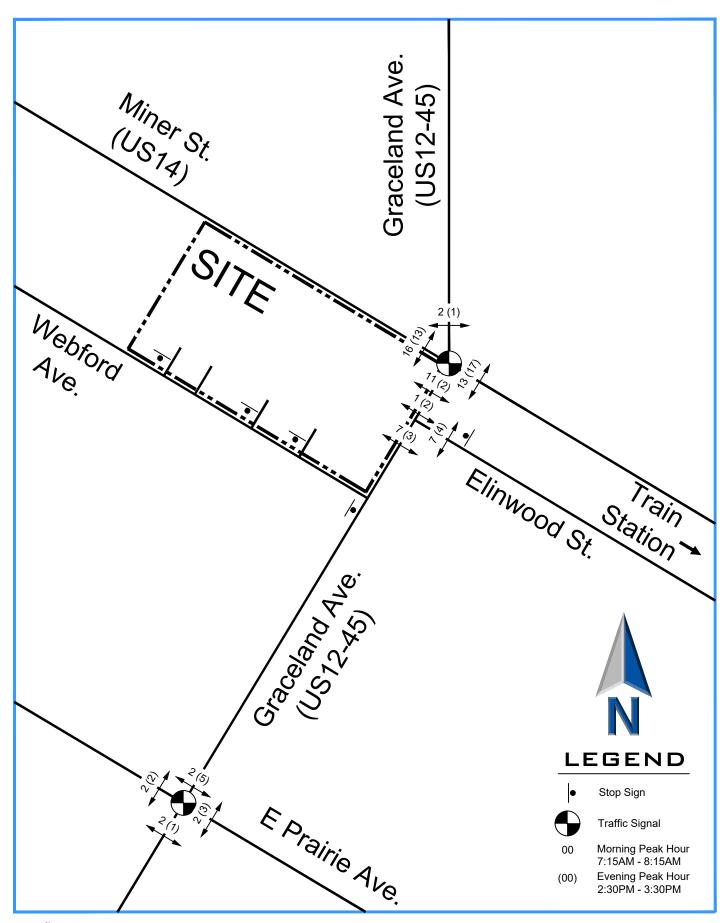


## **Existing Lane Geometrics**





2022 Existing Traffic Volumes





## 2018 Pedestrian Volumes

### 2 - DEVELOPMENT CHARACTERISTICS

#### **Existing and Proposed Site Use**

The project site is currently occupied by two-commercial buildings and a public parking lot. The parking lot has two driveways (inbound and outbound) and the two buildings each have a full access drive.

The development plan is for a multi-story apartment building with 132 units with a restaurant (1,477 sq. ft.) and a lounge (1,255 square feet). A parking garage will have two full access drives on either end of the site.

#### **Site Trip Generation**

Vehicle traffic volumes generated by the residential and commercial uses were estimated from the Institute of Transportation Engineer's <u>Trip Generation Manual</u>, 11<sup>th</sup> Edition. **Table 1** summarizes the estimated traffic volumes.

Table 1
Site Trip Generation Estimates

Use	ITE Size		AM Peak Hour			PM Peak Hour		
USE	LUC	Size	ln	Out	Total	In	Out	Total
Apartments	221	132 units	24	18	42	16	22	38
Restaurant	931	1,477 sq. ft.	0	1	1	7	4	11
Lounge	975	1,255 sq. ft.	1	1	2	9	5	14
	25	20	45	32	31	63		

#### **Directional Distribution**

The trip distribution for the development is based on a combination of the existing traffic volumes, the existing road system, traffic congestion, and the proposed site access. The trip distribution for the site is shown on **Table 2** and **Figure 5**.

Table 2
Directional Distribution

Direction	Inbound	Outbound	
West Miner Street	20%	-	
North Graceland Avenue	25%	-	
East Miner Avenue	30%	-	
East Ellinwood Street	20%	-	
East Prairie Avenue	-	55%	
South Graceland Avenue	-	40%	
West Webford Avenue	5%	5%	
Total	100%	100%	

622 Graceland Avenue Traffic Study

February 22, 2022

Attachment 11 Page 49 of 59

#### ERIKSSON ENGINEERING ASSOCIATES, LTD.

#### **Site Traffic Assignment**

Based on trip generation and directional distribution estimates, the site generated traffic was assigned to the proposed access drive and area roadways for each phase. **Figure 6** shows the resulting traffic assignments.

#### **Total Traffic Volumes**

The Ellinwood Apartment project to the east of the site is under construction with two driveways on Graceland Avenue. The site traffic volumes to be generated by that project were taken from its traffic study and are shown on **Figure 7.** 

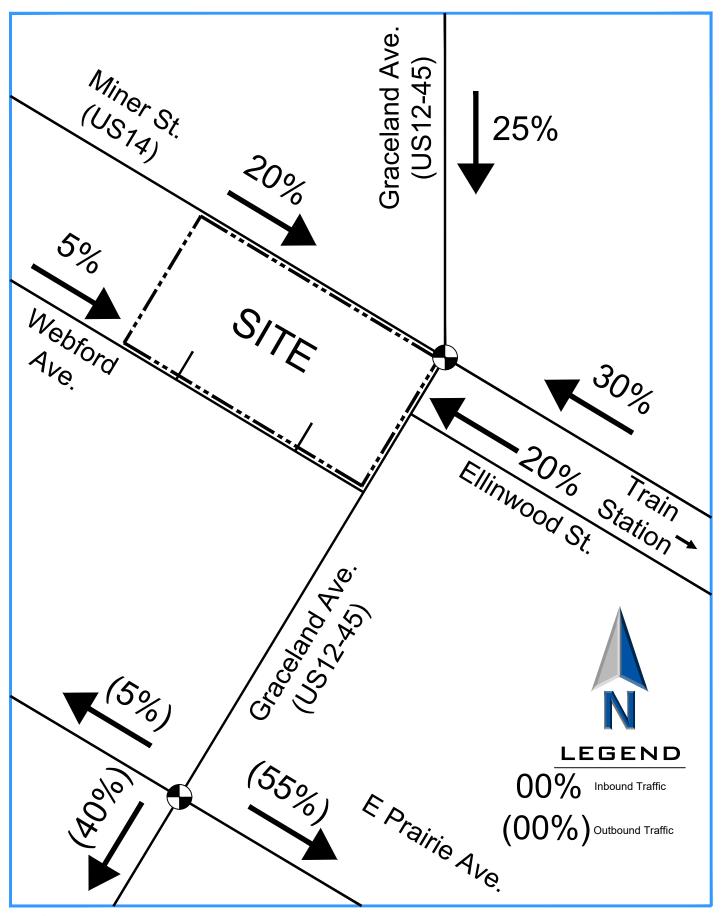
The existing adjusted traffic volumes and annual growth in these volumes were combined to estimate the amount of traffic in the future without the development. The existing traffic volumes were increased by 0.5% a year to account for traffic growth in the area. A five-year time frame was used (Year 2028). **Figure 8** shows the projected traffic volumes in the study area without the development.

The total traffic volumes with the development were calculated by combining the volumes in Figures 6, 7, and 8. The projected traffic volumes are shown in **Figure 9**.

622 Graceland Avenue Traffic Study

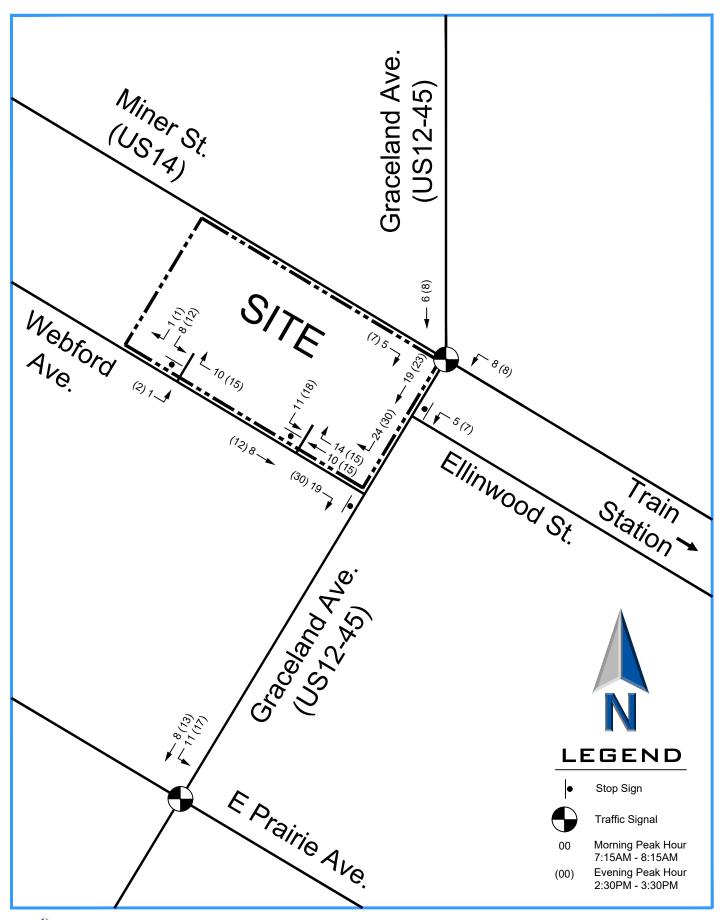
February 22, 2022

Attachment 11 Page 50 of 59



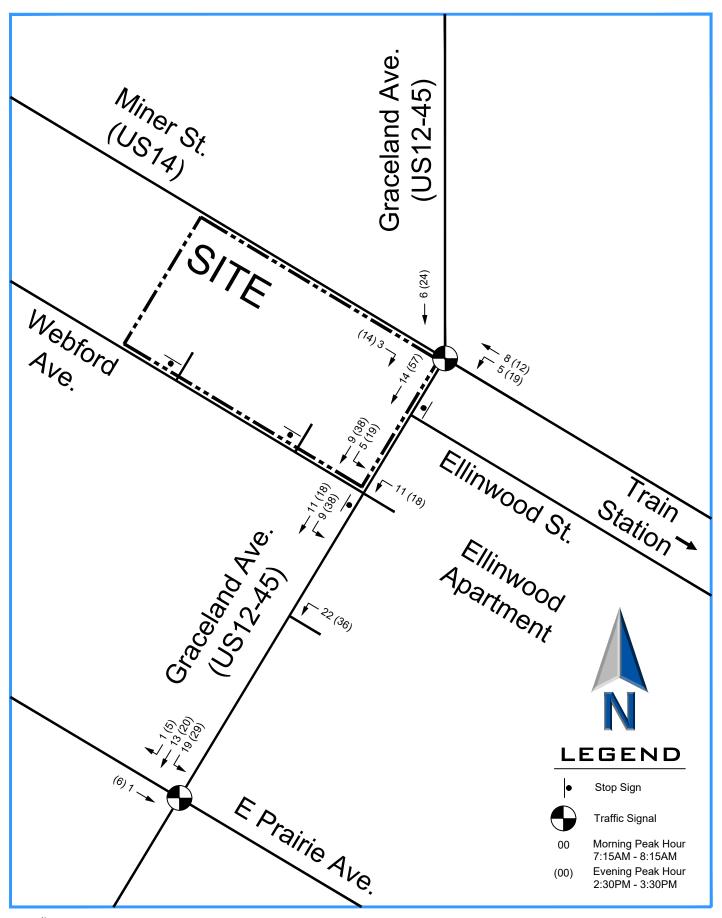


## **Directional Distribution**



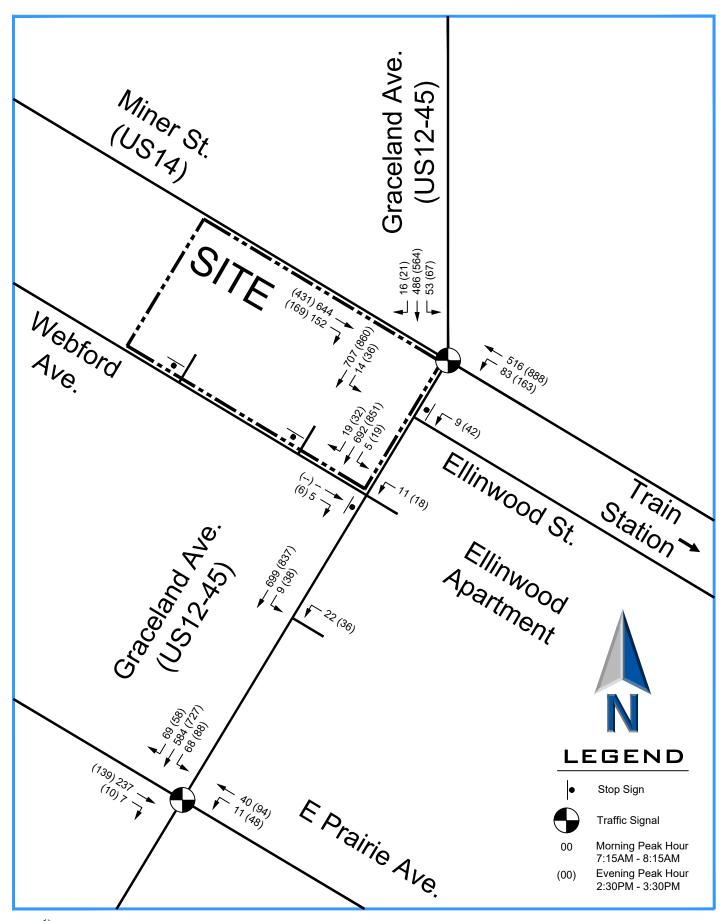


## **Site Traffic Volumes**



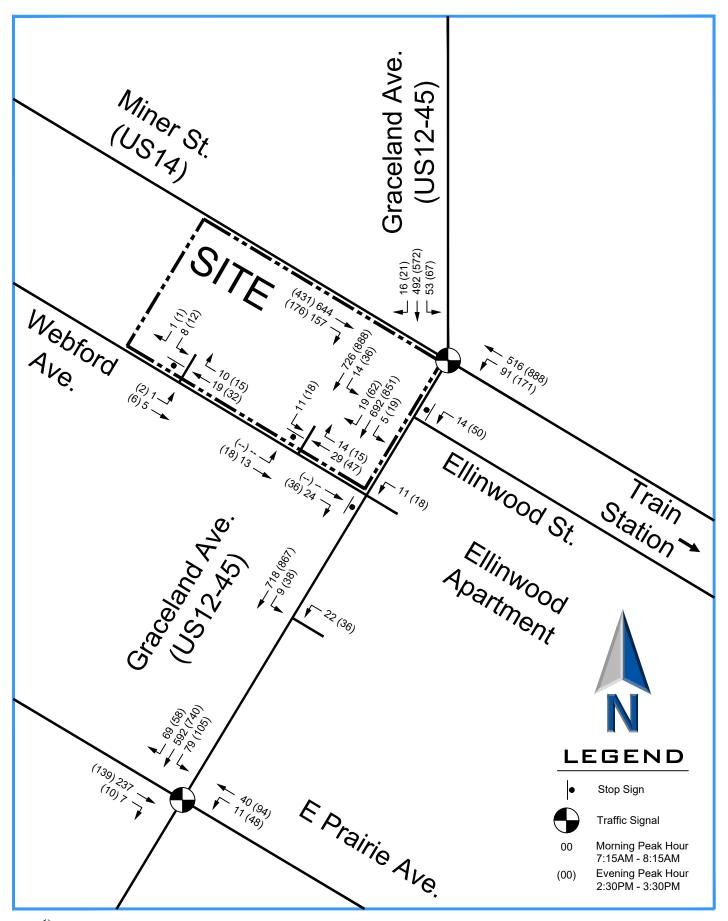


## **Ellinwood Apartment Traffic Volumes**





**2028 Base Traffic Volumes** 





## **2028 Total Traffic Volumes**

Figure 9

**Attachment 11** 

### 3 - ANALYSES

#### **Intersection Capacity Analyses**

In order to determine the operation of the study area intersections and access drives, intersection capacity analyses were conducted for the existing and projected traffic volumes. An intersection's ability to accommodate traffic flow is based on the average control delay experienced by vehicles passing through the intersection. The intersection and individual traffic movements are assigned a level of service (LOS), ranging from A to F based on the control delay created by a traffic signal or stop sign. Control delay consists of the initial deceleration delay, queue move-up time, stopped delay, and final acceleration delay. LOS A has the best traffic flow and least delay. LOS E represents saturated or at capacity conditions. LOS F experiences oversaturated conditions and extensive delays. The <u>Highway Capacity Manual</u> definitions for levels of service and the corresponding control delay for both signalized and unsignalized intersections are shown in **Table 3**.

Table 3
Level of Service Criteria for Intersections

Level of	Description	Control Delay (seconds/vehicle)		
Service		Signals	Stop Signs	
Α	Minimal delay and few stops	<10	<10	
В	Low delay with more stops	>10-20	>10-15	
С	Light congestion	>20-35	>15-25	
D	Congestion is more noticeable with longer delays	>35-55	>25-35	
Е	High delays and number of stops	>55-80	>35-50	
F	Unacceptable delays and over capacity	>80	>50	

Source: Highway Capacity Manual

Capacity analyses were conducted for each intersection area using the SYCHRO computer program to determine the existing and future operations of the access system. These analyses were performed for the weekday peakhours. Copies of the capacity analysis summaries are included in the **Appendix**.

**Table 4** shows the existing and future level of service and delay results for the signalized intersections in the study area. In general, all the signalized intersections work well now and in the future. **Table 5** shows the existing and future level of service and delay results for the signalized intersections in the study area.

#### **Graceland Avenue and Miner Street**

The signalized intersection of Graceland and Prairie Avenues is currently operating at a good level of service and will continue to operate that way in the future. No additional improvements are required due to the low volume of site generated traffic.

#### **Graceland Avenue and Ellinwood Street**

The stop controlled left-turn only onto Graceland Avenue will operate well with minimal delays.

#### Graceland Avenue and Webford Avenue/North Ellinwood Apartment Access

The stop controlled eastbound right-turn only and westbound right-turn only onto Graceland Avenue will operate well with minimal delays.

622 Graceland Avenue Traffic Study

February 22, 2022

Attachment 11 Page 56 of 59

Table 4
Signalized Intersection Level of Service and Total Delay

Intersection	Mornin	ng Peak	Evening Peak		
mersection	2022	2028	2022	2028	
Graceland Avenue at Miner Street	C-20.1	C-20.6	C-25.9	C-24.6	
Graceland Avenue at Prairie Avenue	B-19.3	B-17.6	B-18.0	B-15.8	

Table 5
Unsignalized Intersection Level of Service and Total Delay

Intersection	Annroach	Mornir	ng Peak	Evening Peak	
miersection	Approach	2022	2028	2022	2028
Graceland Avenue	Wb Left	B-11.8	B-12.2	B-13.6	B-14.9
At Ellinwood Street	Sb Left	A-7.3	A-7.3	A-7.3	A-7.3
Graceland Avenue At Webford Avenue	Eb Right	B-10.9	B-11.4	B-11.6	B-12.8
And N. Ellinwood Apt.	Wb Left		B-12.1		B-14.3
Graceland Avenue At S. Ellinwood Apt.	Wb Left		B-11.6		B-13.5
Webford Avenue	EB Left		A-0.0		A-0.0
At East Site Drive	Sb Left/Right		A-8.8		A-9.0
Webford Avenue	EB Left		A-7.4		A-8.8
At West Site Drive	Sb Left/Right		A-8.7		A-7.3

#### **Site Access Drives on Webford Avenue**

Two access drives are proposed at each end of the parking garage. They are located 115 and 300 feet west of Graceland Avenue (center to center) and each will have one inbound and one outbound lane under stop sign control. Both driveways will work well in the future due to the low volume of traffic entering and exiting the site and on Webford Avenue.

#### **Ellinwood Apartment Drives on Graceland Avenue**

Two driveways for the Ellinwood Apartment project are to be located on the east side of Graceland Avenue near Webford Avenue and to the south. Both drives were included in the analyses and found to adverse impact from the proposed project.

#### **Graceland Avenue and Prairie Avenue**

The signalized intersection of Graceland and Prairie Avenues is currently operating at a good level of service and will continue to operate that way in the future. No additional improvements are required due to the low volume of site generated traffic.

622 Graceland Avenue Traffic Study

February 22, 2022

Attachment 11 Page 57 of 59

#### ERIKSSON ENGINEERING ASSOCIATES, LTD.

#### **Conclusions**

With the additional traffic generated by the project along with other area traffic growth, the following conclusions and recommendations were developed:

- 1. The street network can accommodate the additional traffic from the proposed project and future traffic growth.
- 2. The location of the site and the availability of public transportation, walking and biking will minimize the volume of vehicular traffic generated by the site.
- 3. Access to the site from Webford Avenue will have two driveways with one inbound and one outbound lane under stop sign control and can handle the projected traffic volumes.

622 Graceland Avenue Traffic Study

February 22, 2022

Attachment 11 Page 58 of 59



# PUBLIC WORKS AND ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT

1420 Miner Street Des Plaines, IL 60016 P: 847.391.5390 desplaines.org

#### **MEMORANDUM**

Date: April 8, 2022

To: John Carlisle, Director of Community and Economic Development

From: John La Berg, P.E., Civil Engineer

Cc: Jon Duddles, P.E., Assistant Director of Public Works and Engineering

Subject: 622 Graceland Av. Proposed Apartments

Per your request, Public Works and Engineering has no objection to the above development for the Planning and Zoning Board with a few exceptions. As a side note, there has been no formal submittal of engineering plans, so there will be further comment.

- For the demolition, all the existing driveway aprons, depressed curbs, water and sanitary services shall be removed. The depressed curb shall be replaced with B6-12 curb and gutter, and the city water main pipe replaced where the water services were connected. All buildings and their foundations are to be removed and overhead utilities are to be relocated underground.
- For the new construction, engineering plans will be required. They should include the complete reconstruction of Webford Av. across the project frontage, with a minimum width of 28' back of curb to back of curb, drainage, sidewalk, and street lighting. The storm drainage from this development shall be piped and extended /connected to the storm sewer in Laurel Avenue with additional catch basins. The cost for this work will be paid by the developer. An MWRD permit will be required.
- There shall be a pedestrian warning system installed for both ramps on Webford Avenue.

Attachment 12 Page 59 of 59

JL/jl