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October 24, 2022

Ryan O'Connor, Chief Planner Planning Department City of Rochester 33 Wakefield Street Rochester, NH 03867



Re: Site Plan Amendment and Conditional Use Applications for Packys Investment Properties, LLC; 17 Sterling Drive, Map 208, Lots 18.

Dear Mr. O'Connor:

On behalf of Packys Investment Properties, LLC, we hereby submit plans and applications for a proposed site plan amendments at their 17 Sterling Drive property. The parcel, Tax Map 208, Lot 18 comprising of 6.67 acres is located within the Granite Ridge Development (GRD) zoning district and Wetland Conservation Overlay, Aquifer Protection and Flood Hazard Overlay districts.

The site received Non-residential Site Plan approval from the Planning Board on January 4, 2021 for the construction of four (4) self-storage buildings with 11 solar trackers. Please refer to case 208-18-GRD-21. The site was started construction later in 2021 and was finished in May 2022. Jurisdictional wetlands on the property were delineated by Joseph Noel, CWS, in August of 2022.

The applicant would like to proceed with the installation of thirteen (13) additional solar tracker on the property. Four (4) trackers will be placed on the westerly side of the parking lot at the toe of the existing slope. The other nine (9) trackers are proposed at the northern end of the development. Three (3) trackers will be placed within the existing stormwater management system, three (3) will be installed at the edge of the existing Utility and Drainage easement, and the last three (3) will be installed within the wetlands.

In addition to the thirteen (13) trackers, the applicant will install a narrow maintenance path to these trackers to allow for the initial construction and for infrequent maintenance times. Two small culverts will be placed along path to maintain the existing hydrology of the existing drainage flows. This path will be loamed and seeded over the top of a gravel sub-base. A New England Wetlands seed mix will be applied to closely match the existing native vegetation. All utilities to these trackers will be installed underground.

Lastly, the owner is proposing to have a gate with key pad installed near the entrance to the self-storage building. This gate is being installed to limit the number of unauthorized vehicles into the facility and to provide additional information on the tenants entering and exiting the facility. At this time frame, the

owner is not proposing any security fencing, just a lever gate at the entrance. The gate will be positioned such to not impact the City of Rochester Department of Public Works ability to have access to the municipal sewer pump station located on the property.

The proposed tracker and maintenance path will have an insignificant impacts to the overall stormwater management system. The tackers have a very small impervious footprint, which is approximately 3 square feet per concrete pier. The solar tracker are made up from smaller panels which does not concentrate the stormwater runoff due to the gaps around the panels and the movement of the trackers. The maintenance paths will be loamed and seeded, thus not increasing the impervious surfaces.

With a portion of the site work and installation of the trackers located within the Conservation Overlay District and within the wetlands, a Conditional Use Permit is required. As noted above, the proposal will have insignificant impacts to the natural resources, while providing clean renewable energy. Please find the attached CUP application with the Amendment to an Approved Project application.

A NHDES Wetlands Permit will be submitted to allow for the temporary impacts during the construction of the trackers and for the permanent impacts associated with two-foot diameter concrete pier and for the 6-foot wide maintenance path.

We look forward to discussing this project with staff and the Planning Board. Thank you for your consideration Sincerely,

NORWAY PLAINS ASSOCIATES, INC.

By:

Scott A. Lawler, PE, Project Engineer

cc: Packys Investment Properties, LLC





Amendment to Approved Project

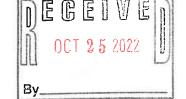
City of Rochester, New Hampshire

Case # 208-18-GRD-21 Property Address 17 Sterling Drive
Type of project: Site Plan X; Subdivision; Lot Line Adjustment; Other
Project name Proposed Self Storage
Date of original Planning Board approval January 4, 2021
Description of amendment The proposal is to install 13 additional solar trackers on the property.
Would this affect a wetland or wetland buffer or require a conditional use? Yes X No
Applicant Name: Packys Investment Properties LLC
Mailing Address: PO Box 77, Farmington, NH 03835
Phone Number: 603-765-9101 Email Address: packyc@rsarealty.com
<u>Please note</u> : There is a \$125.00 fee for amendments. They are reviewed by the Planning Board and a public hearing is held. Abutters must be renotified by the applicant. The applicant must submit any supplementary materials necessary to explain and support the amendment, such as a narrative and plans. This form, the abutter's list, the fee, and other necessary materials must be submitted by the applicable deadline date.
Name of applicant or agent filling out this form Scott Lawler, PE; Norway Plains Associates, Inc.
Please check box: Applicant Agent
Signature of person completing form: Date: 10/21/2022
Signature of property owner (if different):

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<u>Application for Conditional Use</u> Conditional Uses and Buffer Reductions

Section 42.19 - Conservation Overlay District



City of Rochester, NH

Date: 10/21/2022

Bato.
Property information
Tax map #: 208 ; Lot #('s): 18 ; Zoning district: GRD
Property address/location: 17 Sterling Drive
Name of project (if applicable): Proposed Solar Trackers
Property owner
Name (include name of individual): Packys Investment Properties LLC; Packy Campbell
Mailing address: PO Box 77, Farmington, NH 03835
Telephone #: 603-765-9101 Fax
Applicant/developer (if different from property owner)
Name (include name of individual): Same as owner
Mailing address:
Telephone #: Fax #:
Engineer/designer
Name (include name of individual): Norway Plains Associates, Inc.; Scott Lawler, PE
Mailing address: PO Box 249, Rochester, NH 03866
Telephone #: 603-332-3948 Fax #:
Email address: slawler@norwayplains.com Professional license #: 10026
Proposed Project
Please describe the proposed project: Installation of 13 solar trackers on the parcel. Three will be located within
the wetland, three within the wetland buffer and four along the existing paved driveway. A maintenance road will be constructed partially
in the buffer and into the wetland maintain access to the tracking panels for routine annual maintenance.
Please describe the existing conditions: The site is developed as a self storage facility with multiple solar
trackers located within the buildings.

(continued <u>Conditional Use</u> application Tax Map: 208 Lot: 18						
*Please fill in one of the next two sections – for either <u>Conditional Uses</u> or <u>Buffer Reductions</u> *						
Conditional Uses						
For <u>Conditional Uses</u> only, justify the proposal in terms of each of the criteria below (ir accordance with subsection 42.19 (i) (1) (A)). All four criteria must be satisfied.						
(i) The proposed construction is essential to the productive use of land not in the COD.						
The proposed construction within the COD is essential to the productive use of the land. Of the overall parcels acreage of 6.67 acres,						
almost 50% (3.26 acres) is located within the wetlands or Conservation Overlay District. The proposed trackers is an extremely low						
impacted use that provides clean energy.						
(ii) Design and construction methods will be such as to minimize impact upon the wetlands and will include restoration of the site consistent with the permitted use.						
Construction of the solar trackers is mostly temporary, whereas most of the impacted areas are restored to existing conditions. The						
maintenance path will be constructed in a manner to avoid impervious surfaces.						
(iii) There is no feasible alternative route on land controlled by the applicant that does not cross the CO District nor has less detrimental impact on the wetlands. Nothing in this Section shall limit the applicant from exploring alternatives with abutting property owners. The solar trackers need to maintain a separation of approximately 65 feet between them to avoid shadows and reducing their effectiveness. The proposed trackers have been placed such to limit the impacts within the COD to the extent possible.						
(iv) Economic advantage is not the sole reason for the proposed location of work. The proposed solar trackers provide clean renewable energy for the facility and the owners of the property. Placing the solar trackers within the COD is increasing the ability to produce energy without impacting the natural resources.						
(Buffer Reductions on next page)						

(continued Conditional Use application	n Tax Map: ²⁰⁸	Lot: 18)

Buffer Reductions

For <u>Buffer Reductions</u> only, justify the proposal in terms of each of the criteria below (in accordance with subsection 42.19 (i) (2) (B)). All four criteria must be satisfied.

(i) The structure for which the exception is sought cannot feasibly, after consideration of all reasonable alternatives, be constructed on a portion or portions of the lot, which lie outside the CO district, <i>or</i> the application of the CO district eliminates greater than 50% or the buildable area located on the parcel <i>or</i> in the judgment of the Planning Board, the proposed site layout would result in a significantly higher quality design.
(ii) The proposed structure and use must be consistent with the purpose and intent o Section 42.19 and provisions must be made to ensure that drainage from the structure will not adversely impact any wetlands.
(iii) There shall be no impervious areas for parking within the reduced buffer for which the Conditional Use Approval is sought.
(iv) The maximum building coverage is limited to 50% of the outer half of the buffe zone, as shown in the diagram below.
(v) Best management practices must be demonstrated to the satisfaction of the Planning Board.

Submission of application

This application must be signed by the property owner, applicant/developer (if different from property owner), and/or the agent.

I(we) hereby submit this Conditional Use application to the City of Rochester Conservation Commission and Planning Board pursuant to the <u>City of Rochester Zoning Ordinance</u> and attest that to the best of my knowledge all of the information on this application form and in the accompanying application materials and documentation is true and accurate. As applicant/developer (if different from property owner)/as agent, I attest that I am duly authorized to act in this capacity.

Signature of property	owner:	Date:	10/24/2022	
Signature of applican	t/developer:			
	1.1.	Date:	10/24/2022	
Signature of agent: _	Swadauler			
		Date:	10/24/2022	

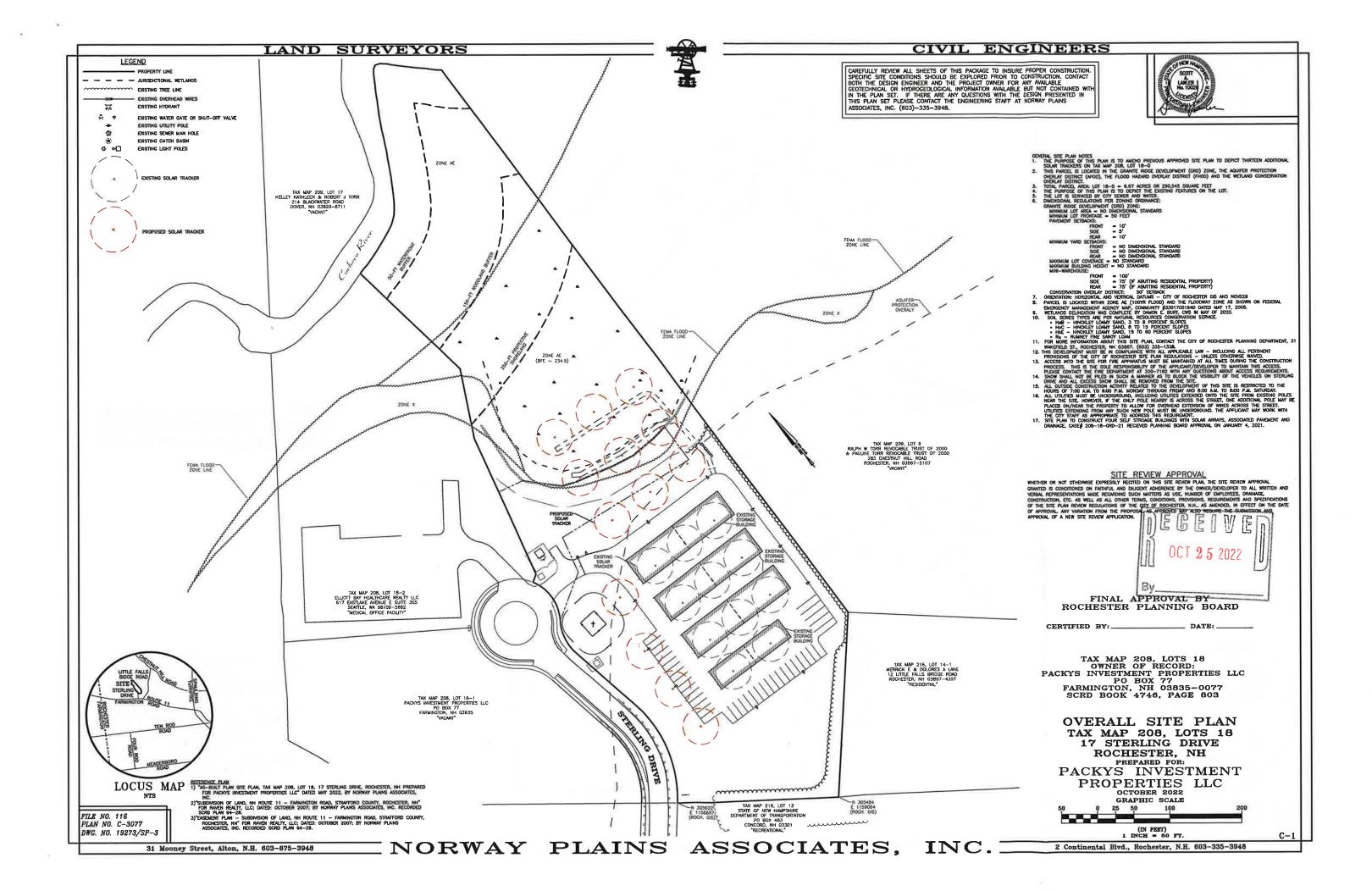
Authorization to enter subject property

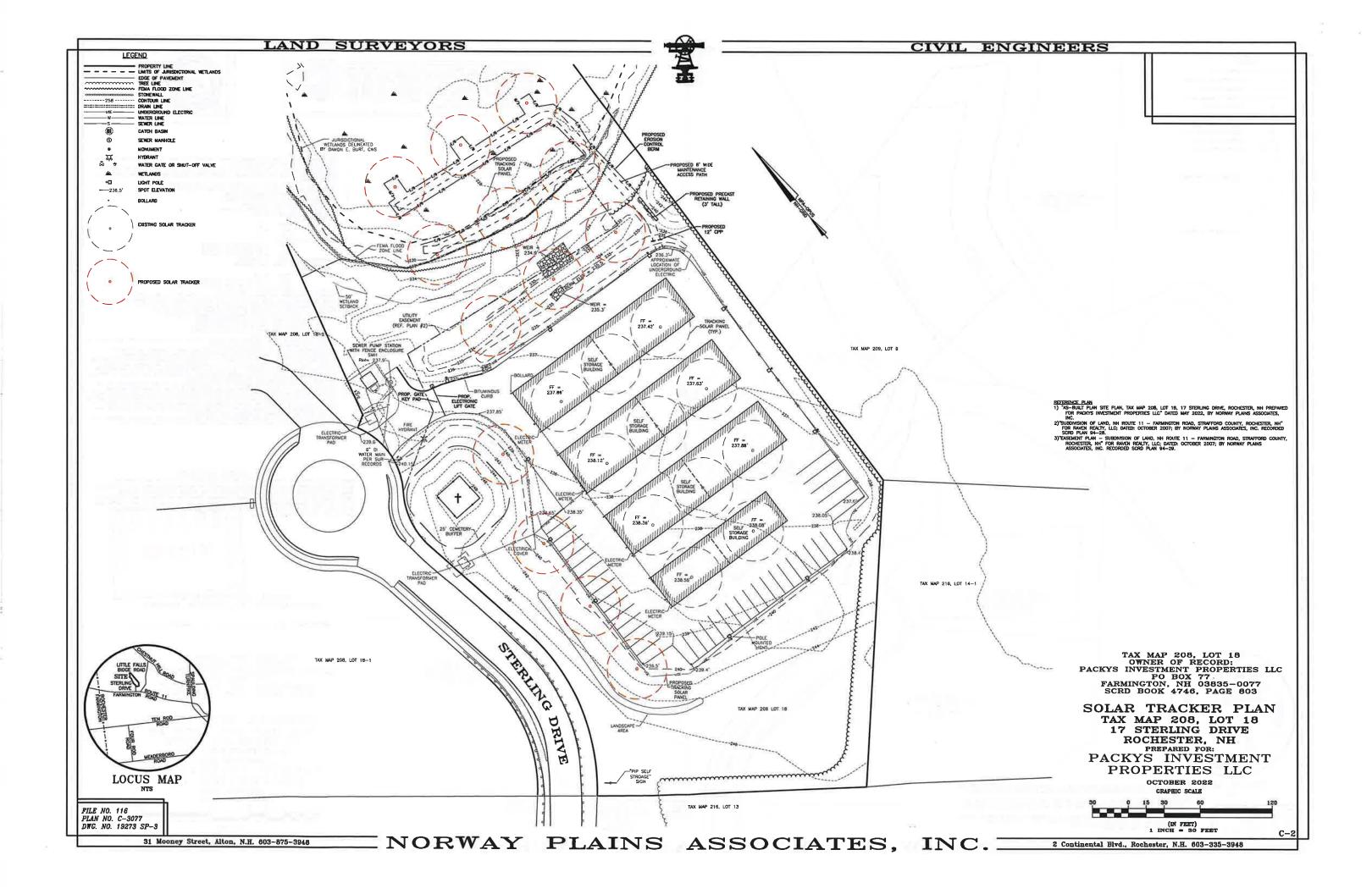
I hereby authorize members of the Rochester Conservation Commission and Planning Board, and other pertinent City departments, boards and agencies to enter my property for the purpose of evaluating this application including performing any appropriate inspections. This authorization applies specifically to those particular individuals legitimately involved in evaluating, reviewing, or inspecting this specific application/project. It is understood that these individuals must use all reasonable care, courtesy, and diligence when entering the property. (It is not necessary to sign this provision if a Planning Board application has been submitted.)

Signature of property owner:

Date: 10/24/2022

Conservation Commission Recommendation	:	[office use only
Name of project	Case #	
Recommendation:		
□ Approval		
□ Approval with conditions		
□ Denial		
Comments/recommended conditions:		
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Conservation Commission	date	
Planning Department	- date	

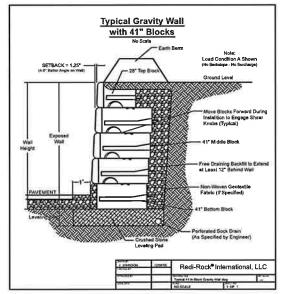






ELECTRIC LIFT GATE

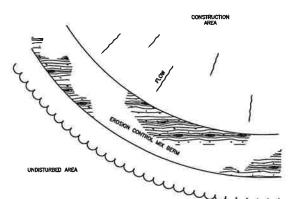
OPERATION KEYPAD AND MOTOR SHALL BE INSTALLED IN ACCORDANCE WITH



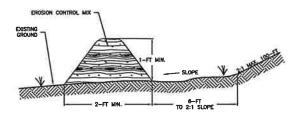
TYPICAL BLOCK RETAINING WALL DETAIL

NOT TO SCALE

- DESIGN OF RETAINING WALLS TO BE PROMDED BY MANUFACTURE AND INSTALLED PER TH MANUFACTURES REQUIREMENTS. SHOP DRAWNINGS SHALL BE SUBMITTED PRIOR TO ORDERING AND APPROVED BY NORWAY PLANS ASSOCIATES, INC.
- PENCE SHALL BE INSTALLED ON TOP OF WALL WHERE THE VERTICAL DROP IS 14M 2 FEET OR AS REQUIRED BY CODES.



EROSION CONTROL MIX BERM **CROSS-SECTION**



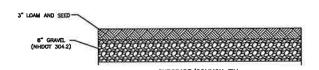
EROSION CONTROL MIX BERM CROSS-SECTION

- - C. PARTICLES PASSING BY WEIGHT:

- E. THE ORGANIC PORTION NEEDS TO BE FIBROUS AND ELONGATES
- F. THE MIX SHOULD CONTAIN NO SILTS, CLAYS OR FINE SANDS.

EROSION CONTROL MIX BERM DETAIL

NOT TO SCALE



MAINTENACNE PATH CROSS-SECTIONS

NOT TO SCALE

NOTES:

1. REMOVE TOP SOIL AND SUBSOIL TO 1-FOOT BELOW EXISTING GRADE.

2. PLACE GRAVEL IN MAXIMUM 4 INCH LIFTS. COMPACT TO 95% MAXIMUM PROCTOR DENSITY.

3. PLACE 3" LOAM AND SEED OVER GROUND.

4. SEED SHALL BE NEW ENGLAND WETLAND SEED MIXTURE.

5. ALL ELECTRICAL CONDUIT SHALL BE PLACED UNDER MAINTENANCE PATH.

TAX MAP 208, LOT 18
OWNER OF RECORD:
PACKYS INVESTMENT PROPERTIES LLC
PO BOX 77
FARMINGTON, NH 03835-0077
SCRD BOOK 4748, PAGE 803

CONSTRUCTION DETAILS TAX MAP 208, LOT 18 17 STERLING DRIVE ROCHESTER, NH PREPARED FOR: PACKYS INVESTMENT PROPERTIES LLC

OCTOBER 2022

FILE NO. 116 PLAN NO. C-3077 DWG. NO. 19273 SP-3