



**CITY OF BALDWIN
PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING AGENDA
Wednesday, August 27, 2025 at 7:00 P.M.
Baldwin City Hall**

- A. **Call to Order:**
 - 1. Pledge of Allegiance
 - 2. Roll Call
 - 3. Planning Commission claim forms
- B. **Approval of the Agenda**
- C. **Approval of Minutes:**
 - 1. Planning Commission meeting of July 23, 2025.
- D. **Public Hearings:**
 - 1. Meadows of Baldwin (PID 01-00018-4102):
 - a. Preliminary plat of 17 single family lots.
- E. **New Business:**
 - 1. Jeremy Snow (PID 01-00555-0010)
 - a. Sketch plan review of Outlot A, Infinite Acres
- F. **Old Business:**
 - 1. None.
- G. **City Council Liaison Update**
- H. **Commissioner Update**
- I. **City Staff Update**
- J. **Miscellaneous Information and Communications**
- K. **Adjourn by 9:00PM**

Notes:

- 1. Five copies of the agenda and two copies of the packet materials are available for review by the public.
- 2. The meeting will be video and audio recorded for transcription purposes only.
- 3. This agenda does not claim to be complete and is subject to change.
- 4. A quorum of the City Council may be present at the Planning Commission meeting.

PUBLIC HEARING PROCEDURE

The following process will be used for each public hearing agenda item:

1. The Chair is to announce the application.
2. City staff will present the Planning Report.
3. The applicant will be given an opportunity by the Chair to describe the request, make additional statements, and state if they agree with the recommendations of City staff.
4. The Chair will open the public hearing and invite comments and questions from the audience:
 - Please state your name and address to be recorded in the meeting minutes.
 - Comments and questions are to be directed to the Chair.
 - Please limit individual comments or questions to 5 minutes or less.
 - The Chair may request that only new information be presented.
5. The Chair will ask for any additional public comments and, if hearing none, will ask for a motion to close the public hearing.
6. The Chair may ask the applicant and/or City staff to respond to comments or questions from the public hearing.
7. The Planning Commission will discuss the application and ask questions of the applicant and/or City staff.
8. The Chair will ask for a motion for a recommendation to the City Council as to the whether the application be approved or denied, including any recommended stipulations. The Planning Commission may also table consideration of an application.
9. The Chair will announce the date the application is likely to be considered by the City Council.

The City Council and Planning Commission want to ensure that all comments regarding development applications before the City are received at the proper time and place to be most effective. In order for comments regarding a Comprehensive Plan amendment, Zoning Ordinance amendment, Conditional Use Permit, Interim Use Permit, or variance to be legally considered by the City Council and Planning Commission, they must only be received in writing prior to or verbally at a properly noticed public hearing. After the Planning Commission has closed the public hearing, people will be advised by the Planning Commission Chair and/or City staff that additional comments are no longer able to be heard.



PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

JULY 23, 2025

Call to Order: Chair Clarence Mattson called the Baldwin Planning Commission meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Pledge of Allegiance: All present recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Oath of Office: On July 23, 2025, Abby Newland stood and read the oath of office and was sworn in.

Roll Call: Present: Chair Clarence Mattson, Vice Chair Richard Marshall, Commissioners Patti Miller, Teresa Barnes, Abby Newland, and Ed Stofferahn.

Absent: Commissioner Calvin Schmock

Also present: City Planner, Dan Licht and City Council Liaison, Jay Swanson.

All claim forms were filled out and returned to the Deputy Clerk.

Approval of the Agenda:

Commissioner Marshall motioned to approve the agenda as amended. Commissioner Miller seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

Approval of the Minutes:

Planning Commission meeting of June 25, 2025

Commissioner Marshall motioned to approve the minutes as written. Commissioner Stofferahn seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

Public Hearings:

AT&T Wireless (28829 104th St NW)

City Planner Licht presented the planning report. On May 15, 2023 the Town Board approved a Conditional Use Permit application for AT&T Mobility to construct a personal wireless services facility at 28829 104th Street NW. As a building permit for the proposed tower was not issued within one year from the date of approval, the original Conditional Use Permit is void. Buell Consulting has submitted an application, on behalf

of AT&T Mobility, to reissue the Conditional Use Permit and proceed with the planned tower installation.

Leonard McManman was at the meeting representing Buell Consulting. Mr. McManman stated the only question he had was a condition relating to abandoned equipment. Mr. McManman stated that all decommissioned facilities go through a process called RMA (Returned Material Assets) to collect all abandoned equipment when they close a tower. This would be completed within 120 days of closing. City Planner Licht stated condition six states the applicant has up to 12 months to collect abandoned equipment.

Chair Mattson read through the six conditions listed by city staff.

Mr. McManman asked how the plants surrounding the ground equipment would be verified. City Planner Licht stated that city staff will inspect the property to make sure all landscaping requirements are met.

Commissioner Stofferahn asked what is considered RMAs. Mr. McManman stated that there would be small equipment items like antennas, remote radio units, cables, tower mounted amplifiers, etc.

Mr. McManman stated the existing driveway will be improved with gravel.

Chair Mattson opened the public hearing at 7:17 pm. Seeing no comments, questions or concerns, Chair Mattson asked for a motion to close the public hearing.

Commissioner Marshall motioned to close the public hearing at 7:17 pm. Commissioner Stofferahn seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

Chair Mattson read through a letter received by a resident. City Planner Licht stated the applicants have provided coverage analysis demonstrating the need for a tower to provide service in the area. The tower provides facilities for other carriers to locate on this tower.

Commissioner Barnes motioned to approve the Conditional Use Permit for AT&T Wireless at 28829 104th Street, subject to the six conditions listed by city staff. Commissioner Marshall seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

City of Baldwin – Zoning ordinance; Fence Regulations

City Planner Licht presented the planning report. The Zoning Ordinance does not include performance standards or a permitting process for fences. The City Council directed the Planning Commission to consider adopting regulations for fences.

Chair Mattson opened the public hearing at 7:27 pm. Seeing no questions, comments, or concerns, Chair Mattson asked for a motion to close the public hearing.

Commissioner Barnes motioned to close the public hearing at 7:27 pm. Commissioner Miller seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

Commissioner Stofferahn asked if there was a permit needed for fences under 7 feet. City Planner Licht stated there is no building permit required, however the resident would still need an administrative permit for the fence.

Commissioner Miller asked about fences next to a property line with two properties having a fence on the same line. Commissioner Miller questioned why the requirements wouldn't be a foot or more. City Planner Licht stated the city doesn't want the resident to have to exclude property from the enclosed portion of the fence line as the resident would still need to maintain the area.

Commissioner Stofferahn asked about fencing inside the property line that doesn't require setbacks. City Planner Licht stated if the resident built a fence within the building setbacks, it would not need to be reviewed.

Commissioner Marshall motioned to approve the adoption of the proposed fence regulations. Commissioner Barnes seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

New Business: None.

Old Business: None.

City Council Liaison Update:

Mayor Swanson updated the Planning Commission on recent City Council discussions.

Commissioner Update:

Chair Mattson asked the Planning Commission about going paperless and utilizing electronic versions. The commissioners discussed their opinions about going paperless.

Commissioner Miller asked if there was a new resident packet on the website. Deputy Clerk Kayla Nielsen stated there is not.

Chair Mattson communicated recording and streaming meetings to the new commissioners.

City Staff Update:

City Planner Licht updated the Planning Commission on future meeting agenda items.

Miscellaneous Information and Communications: None.

Adjourn:

Commissioner Marshall motioned to adjourn the July 23, 2025 Planning Commission meeting at 8:20 pm. Commissioner Miller seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

Submitted by: Kayla Nielsen
Deputy Clerk/Treasurer

Approved by: Clarence Mattson
Chair

Date

Attendees: L. Mick Manman and Gary Mason



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PLANNING REPORT

TO: Balwin Planning Commission

FROM: D. Daniel Licht

DATE: 19 August 2025

120-DAY DATE: 22 November 2025

RE: Baldwin – Meadows of Baldwin; Preliminary Plat

TPC FILE: 269.01

BACKGROUND

Meadows of Baldwin, LLC has submitted application to subdivide 58.34 acres located at the southwest quadrant of 305th Avenue and 136th Street into 17 single family lots. The proposed subdivision requires consideration of a preliminary plat in accordance with Section 910-3-3.B of the Subdivision Ordinance. Applications for preliminary plat approval are subject to review by the Planning Commission at a public hearing and final action by the City Council. A public hearing to consider the preliminary plat application has been noticed for the Planning Commission meeting on 27 August 2025 at 7:00PM.

Exhibits:

- Site Location Map
- Zoning Map
- Transportation Plan map
- Engineering review memorandum dated August 15, 2025
- Preliminary Plat dated 7/8/25
- Civil Plans dated 5/21/2025

ANALYSIS

Comprehensive Plan. The Comprehensive Plan guides the subject property for rural land uses. Subdivision of the subject property for single family lots is consistent with the Comprehensive Plan.

Zoning. The subject property is zoned R1, General Rural District. Single family lots are a permitted use within the R1 District.

Surrounding Area. The plat of Whitetail Crossing abuts the south line of the subject property. To the north of the subject property across 305th Avenue is the plat of Deer Path. West of the subject property is a separate 20 acre parcel that is under the same ownership, but not included in the preliminary plat, with additional five acre parcels to the west of that property. Across 136th Street to the east of the subject property are larger rural residential parcels. The proposed subdivision of the subject property will be compatible with the existing and potential future uses in the area.

Right-of-Way. The preliminary plat abuts 305th Avenue and 136th Street. These roadways are designated City collector streets. Section 910-10-4.B.1 of the Subdivision Ordinance requires collector streets to have 80 feet of right-of-way. The preliminary plat dedicates 40 feet of right-of-way for the south half of 305th Avenue and 54 feet of right-of-way for the west half of 136th Street.

At the south line of the preliminary plat, 138th Street terminates as a temporary cul-de-sac within the Deer Path plat. Extension of 138th Street to 305th Avenue is required by the Subdivision Ordinance to provide multiple access points to neighborhoods, distribute traffic to surrounding collector streets, and facilitate circulation within neighborhoods by residents, service delivery (US Mail, UPS/Fed Ex, school busses, garbage haulers, etc.), and emergency vehicles. The preliminary plat proposes extending 138th Street between the south plat line and 305th Avenue to align with existing 137th Street at 305th Avenue.

Section 910-10-4.A.5 of the Subdivision Ordinance requires that new subdivisions provide for the continuation of streets to provide access to adjacent unplatted properties. City staff and the developer discussed extension of a street from 138th Street to the west line of the preliminary plat. An east-west street internal to the plat would allow Lots 7 and 8, Block 1 to have driveways to a street other than 305th Avenue and would allow the 20.0 acre parcel to the west, which is under the same ownership as the subject site, to be subdivided with extension of 139th Street south of 305th Avenue. Block 1 of the proposed plat as currently drawn and the infiltration basin at the rear of lots 2-5, Block 1 would need to be revised to accommodate right-of-way for an east-west street. The Planning Commission should review this issue and provide a recommendation.

All right-of-way dedication is subject to review and approval of the City Engineer.

Streets. The preliminary plat abuts 305th Avenue and 136th Street. The City Engineer does not recommend that any improvements are required to the existing streets necessary to address non-conforming design conditions for either roadway. A right turn lane for east bound traffic on 305th Avenue will be constructed to maintain traffic capacity. Both 305th Avenue and 136th Street have the ability to accommodate traffic generated by the lots within the preliminary plat in accordance with Section 910-10-4.A.6 of the Subdivision Ordinance.

The submitted information includes a plan and profile for construction of 138th Street within the preliminary plat. The proposed section for 138th Street is a 24 foot wide asphalt surface with gravel shoulders, which is subject to approval by the City Engineer in accordance with Section 910-10-4.B.3 of the Subdivision Ordinance.

Trails. Section 910-10-4.D of the Subdivision Ordinance requires trails along major collector streets such as 305th Avenue and 136th Street. City staff does not recommend requiring a trail be constructed along 305th Avenue and 136th Street at this time as there would be no connections for these segments. The Park Committee should consider that the 80 feet of right-of-way required on 305th Avenue or 136th Street is adequate to accommodate future trail opportunities.

Access. Lots 7 and 8, Block 1 are proposed to access to 305th Avenue. Lots 1 and 2, Block 2 and Lot 1, Block 3 are to access 136th Street. Section 11-10-3.B.9.d of the Subdivision Ordinance prohibits direct lot access to roadways designated as collector streets unless no other access is feasible. There are unplatted five acre parcels to the west of the subject property accessing directly to 305th Avenue, as well as larger unplatted parcels on the east side of 136th Street directly accessing that roadway.

Lots 1-6, Block 1 and Lots 2-7, Block 3 will access the internal extension of 138th Street as shown on the preliminary plat. Access to 138th Street as a local street is allowed subject to Section 900-21-5 of the Zoning Ordinance and Section 1.08 of the Right-of-Way Ordinance.

Lot Requirements. Section 900-50-7 of the Zoning Ordinance sets forth the following minimum requirements for lots within the R1 District.

A. Lot Area:		
	Platted Lot:	2.5 acres
	Buildable Area Within Parcel or Lot:	40,000 square feet
B. Lot Width:		200 feet
C. Lot Depth		300 feet

The proposed lots range in area from 2.54 acres to 4.02 acres in area with a mean area of 3.14 acres. All of the proposed lots have more than 40,000 square feet of buildable area for construction of a single family dwelling as required by Section 900-16-2.B of the Zoning Ordinance. Each lot is more than 200 feet in width measured at the required setback from the front lot line abutting a public street and are more than 300 feet in depth. The lots within preliminary plat comply with the minimum requirements of the R1 District.

Setbacks. Section 900-50-8 of the Zoning Ordinance requires that buildings within the R1 District comply with the setback requirements outlined below. Each of the proposed lots within the preliminary plat have adequate area to allow for construction of a single family dwelling in compliance with required minimum setbacks of the R1 District.

A. Front Yard or Side Yard Abutting a Public Road:		
	City Street:	50 feet
B. Side Yard (except as allowed by Section XX-51-5.A):		20 feet
C. Rear Yard:		25 feet

Landscaping. Section 900-19-2.B.1 of the Zoning Ordinance requires planting two shade or evergreen trees per acre for each lot platted after 3 April 2023. The tree planting requirement will be satisfied as part of the building process for each lot.

Stormwater. The submitted plans include a grading plan, erosion control plan, and stormwater report. All stormwater management issues are subject to review and approval of the City Engineer.

Wetlands. Administration of the Wetland Conservation Act (WCA) is the jurisdiction of the City. The National Wetland Inventory does not identify any wetlands within the subject property. All wetland issues are subject to review and approval of the City Engineer.

Utilities. The lots within the preliminary plat are to be served by private Subsurface Sewage Treatment Systems (SSTS) and wells in accordance with Section 910-10-5 of the Subdivision Ordinance. The submitted plans identify a primary and secondary drainage field site within each lot for a SSTS. The location of the drain fields for Lots 3 and 4, Block 1 are within the boundaries of the stormwater infiltration basin or the drainage and utility easement overlying the area and may need to be relocated, subject to review by the City Engineer. All SSTS and well plans are to be subject to review and approval of the Building Official at the time a building permit is applied for.

Easements. Section 910-10-8 of the Subdivision Ordinance requires dedication of drainage and utility easements a minimum of 12 feet in width at the perimeter of each lot, which may be centered on lot side and rear lines for abutting lots within the preliminary plat. The preliminary plat indicates the required perimeter drainage and utility easements, as well as over stormwater basins or overland stormwater drainage areas corresponding to the proposed grading plan. All drainage and utility easements are to be subject to approval of the City Engineer.

Park Dedication. Section 910-10-10 of the Subdivision Ordinance requires developers to dedicate 10 percent of the buildable area of a parcel being subdivided to the City for park purposes. The City may also elect to receive a cash fee in lieu of land dedication to be used only for development of the City park system. The decision as to whether the developer is required to dedicate land, pay a cash fee in lieu of land, or provide for dedication of a combination of land and cash fees to satisfy park dedication requirements is to be made by the City. The preliminary plat does not propose dedication of land to the City for public park purposes meaning park dedication requirements would be satisfied by payment of a cash fee in lieu of land. Park dedication requirements for the proposed preliminary plat are subject to review and recommendation by the Park Committee.

Final Plat. Section 910-3-3.B.11 of the Subdivision Ordinance provides that application for final plat approval must be submitted within one year from the date of preliminary plat approval. The preliminary plat approval is voided if application is not made for final plat approval within one year. The calendar for submission of a final plat begins on the date of preliminary plat approval by the City Council

Development Agreement. Section 910-11-5 of the Subdivision Ordinance requires the developer to execute a development agreement at the time of final plat approval to provide for completion of all public improvements, establishment of required securities, and payment of applicable fees. The City Attorney will draft the Development Agreement. The Development Agreement is to be approved by resolution of the City Council concurrent with the final plat approval.

RECOMMENDATION

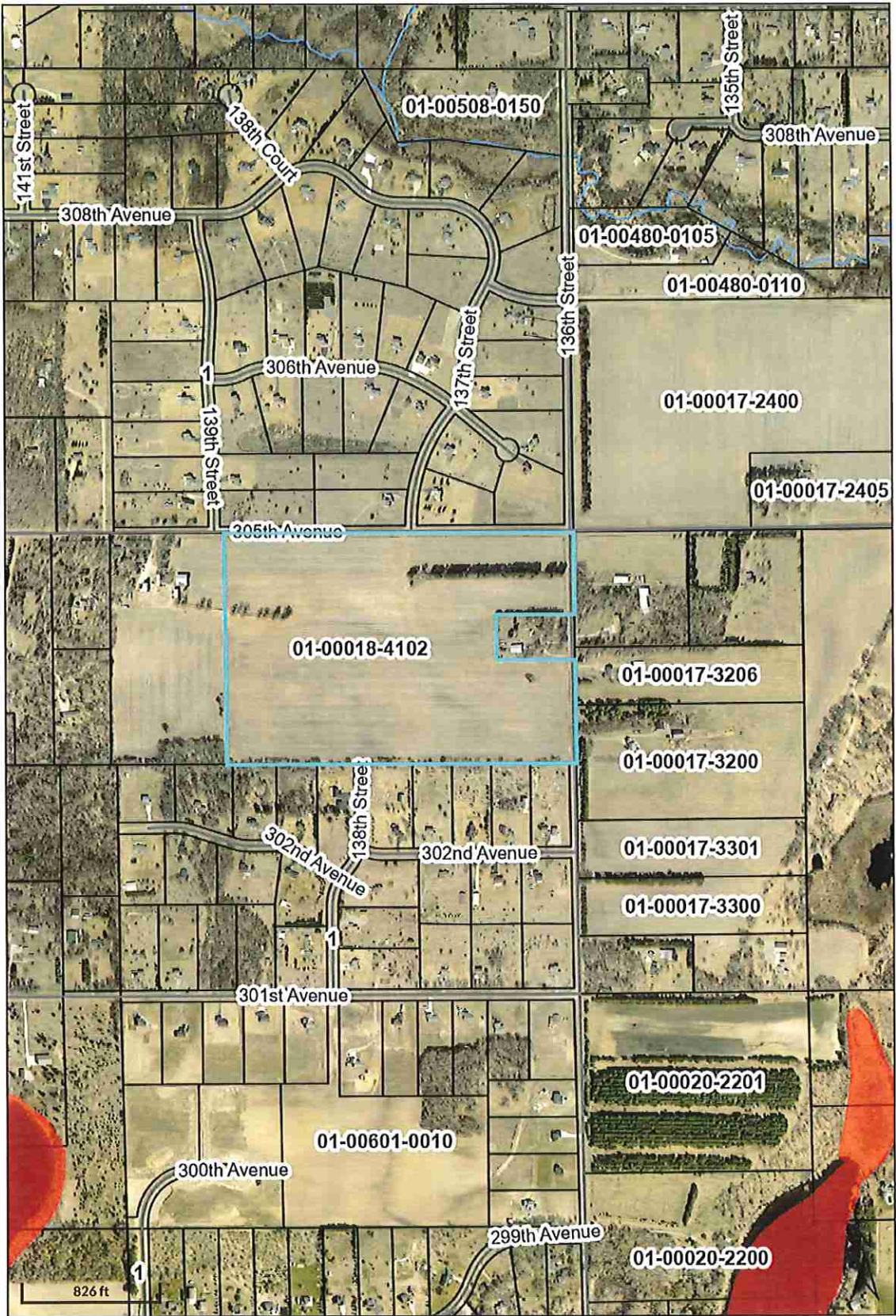
The proposed preliminary plat complies with the Subdivision Ordinance. City staff recommends approval of the application as outlined below.

POSSIBLE MOTION

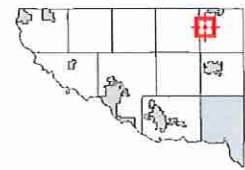
Motion to recommend the City Council approve a preliminary plat for Meadows of Baldwin subject to the following conditions:

1. The subject property shall be developed in accordance with the preliminary plat and plans submitted to the City subject to the stipulations, limitations, and conditions as approved by the City Council.
 2. All stipulations set forth herein shall be the responsibility of the property owner and Developer and all proposed improvements shall be the responsibility of the Developer.
 3. All right-of-way dedication shall be subject to review and approval of the City Engineer.
 4. The proposed design and construction plans for 138th Street shall be subject to review and approval of the City Engineer.
 5. The City Engineer will recommend if additional right-of-way is to be dedicated for 305th Avenue and 136th Street to accommodate future trail construction, subject to review by the Park Committee.
 6. Two shade or evergreen trees per acre shall be installed within each lot by the builder.
 7. All stormwater management and wetland issues are subject to review and approval of the City Engineer.
 8. Proposed primary and secondary drain field sites within Lots 3 and 4, Block 1 identified on the preliminary plat shall be subject to review and approval of the City Engineer.
 9. All drainage and utility easements are to be subject to approval of the City Engineer.
 10. Park dedication requirements for the preliminary plat are subject to the recommendations of the Park Committee and approval of the City Council
 11. The developer shall submit application for final plat approval within one year from the date of City Council approval of the preliminary plat or the preliminary plat approval shall be void.
- c. Joan Heinen, City Clerk/Treasurer
Sam Jochum, City Engineer

Property Location



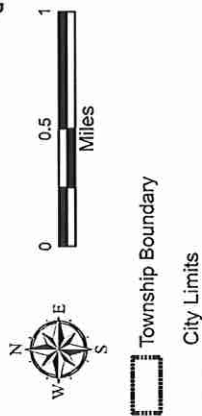
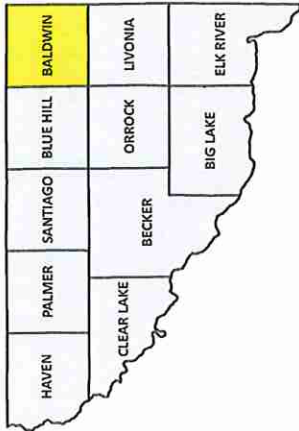
Overview



Legend

- Public Water Inventory**
- Not Classified
 - General Development
 - Natural Environment
 - Recreational Development
- Roads**
- MN Highway; US Highway
 - Municipal-State Aid Street
 - Municipal Street
 - Township Road
 - State Forest Road
 - Bureau of Fish and Wildlife Road
 - Connector (Ramp)
 - Privately Maintained Public Access Road
 - County Road
 - County-State Aid Highway
- Other**
- Parcels
 - Streams

Baldwin Township Zoning Map

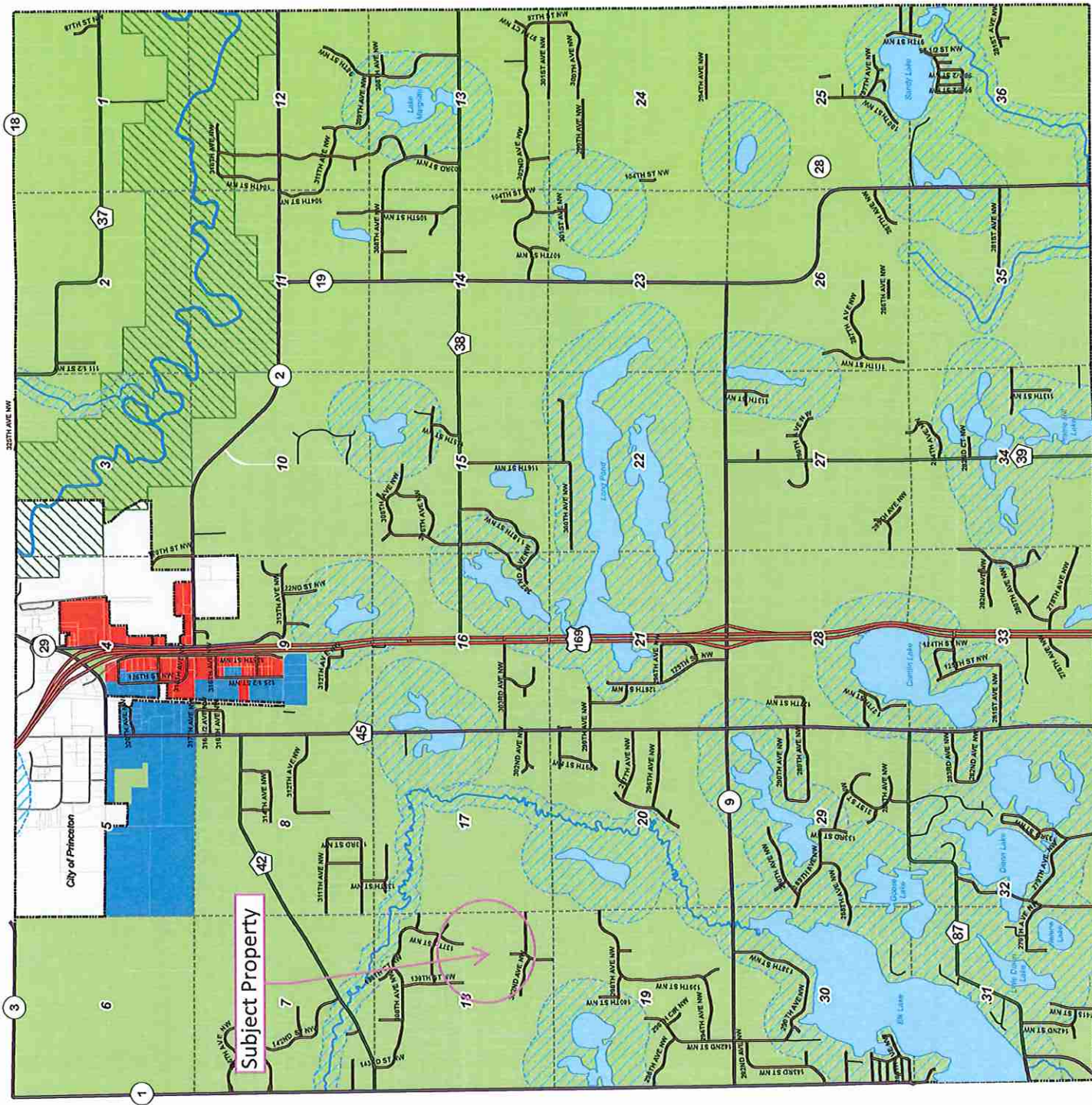


- Zoning**
- R1, General Rural - 21,558ac (97.3%)
 - C1, General Commercial - 163ac (0.8%)
 - I1, General Industrial - 426ac (1.9%)
 - S, Shoreland - 7860ac (35.5%)
 - WS, Wild and Scenic - 1339ac (6%)

- Roads**
- US Highway
 - County-State Aid Highway (CSAH)
 - County Road
 - Township Road
 - Private Road
 - City Street

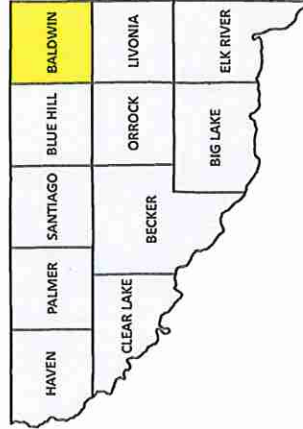


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ROADWAY CLASSIFICATION



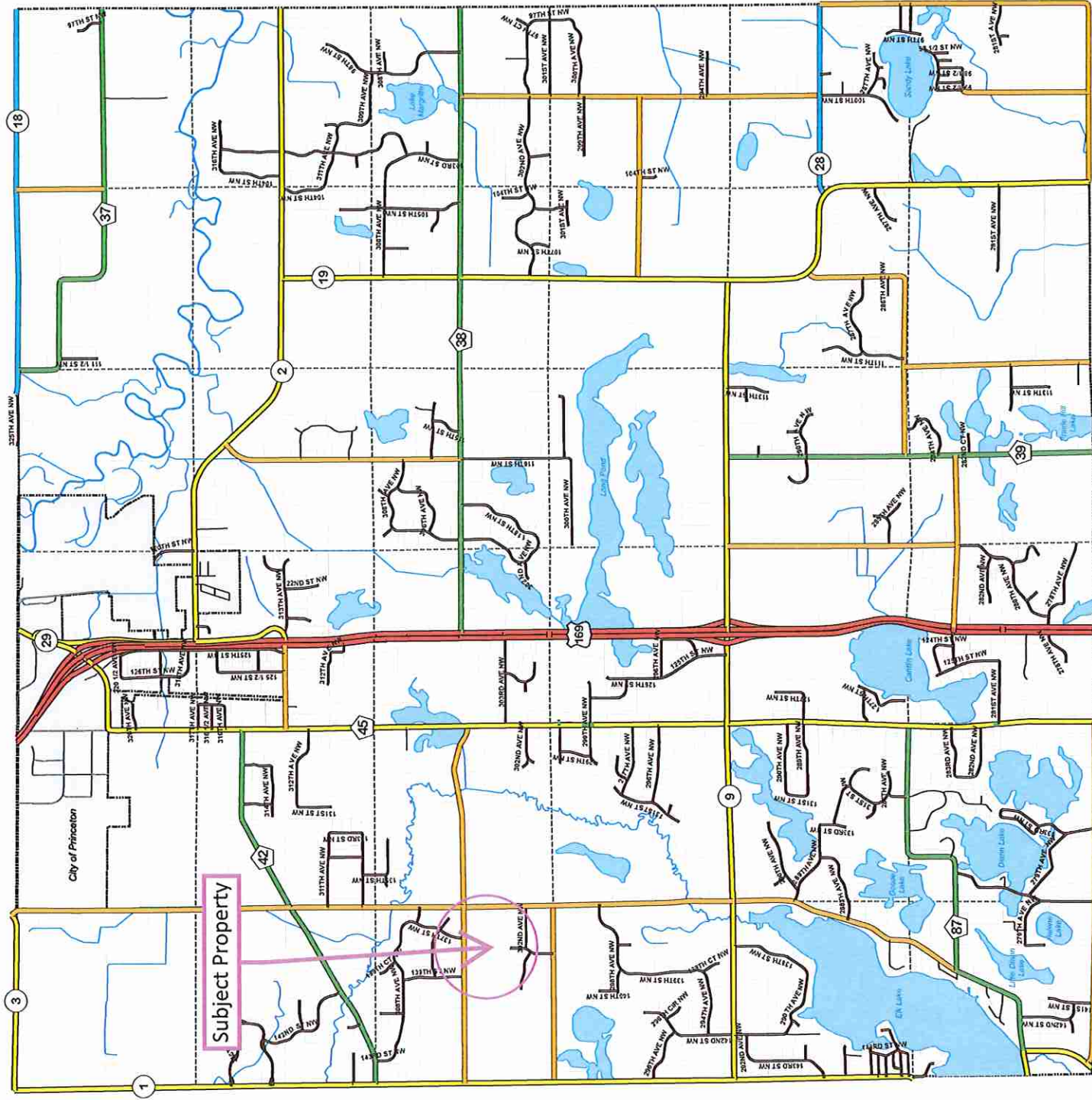
- Roads**
- DNR Public Waters
 - Township Boundary
 - Principal Arterial (Federal/State)
 - County Major Collector
 - County Minor Collector
 - County Local
 - Town Collector
 - Town Road
 - City Street
 - Private Road



Sources:
Sherrburne County 2040 Transportation Plan
Baldwin Township

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ENGINEERING REVIEW
for
City of Baldwin
by
Hakanson Anderson

Preliminary Plat
Review No. 1

Submitted to: City of Baldwin

cc: D. Daniel Licht

Reviewed by: Sam Jochum, City Engineer

Date: August 15, 2025

Proposed

Project: Meadows of Baldwin

Street Location: SW of Intersection at 305th Avenue & 136th Street

Applicant: Meadows of Baldwin, LLC

Owners of Record: Meadows of Baldwin, LLC

Jurisdictional Agencies:
(but not limited to) City of Baldwin, MPCA, Sherburne County

Permits Required:
(but not limited to) City Approval, NPDES Construction Permit

INFORMATION AVAILABLE

Preliminary Plat of Meadows of Baldwin, dated July 8, 2025, prepared by Bogart, Pederson & Associates, Inc.

Meadows of Baldwin Preliminary Construction Plans dated May 21, 2025, prepared by Bogart, Pederson & Associates, Inc.

Meadows of Baldwin Stormwater Management Report, dated July 14, 2025, prepared by Bogart, Pederson & Associates, Inc.

Soil Boring Logs, dated May 5, 2025, prepared by Jacobson Environmental, PLLC.

SITE ACCESS / STREET NETWORK

1. The Applicant is proposing the continuation of 138th Street northerly to make a street connection to 305th Avenue to provide access to the proposed lots. The continuation of the street, location of the intersection and the proposed street alignment are acceptable and are conducive to the property.
2. An eastbound right turn lane on 305th Avenue will be constructed with this plat. The right turn lane will allow the traveling public to safely access the new road connection and is supported by staff.
3. The existing driveway located on the adjacent property to the south of the plat boundaries will be impacted by the extension of the street. The final plans shall provide for removal and reconstruction details for the existing driveway and the Developer shall be solely responsible for coordinating this work with the property owner.
4. The pavement section for the proposed street shall be based on the evaluation of the subgrade soils by a Geotechnical Engineer. (Ord. 910 XX-7-2.B.11). Please provide a Geotechnical Report prepared by a licensed Geotechnical Engineer which includes an estimated Stabilometer R-Value. Please provide a minimum of 3 soil borings within the proposed road alignment to a depth of 10 feet as well as in proposed infiltration areas.

GRADING, DRAINAGE AND EROSION CONTROL

1. Please provide the proposed garage floor elevation, basement floor, and lowest allowable opening elevations for each lot (Ord. 910 XX-7-2.C.13).
2. Please call out and label the locations of all emergency overflows.
3. Please clearly depict and label a Storm Water Access Route for each infiltration basin. Route shall have a minimum width of 10 feet with a maximum longitudinal slope of 12% and a max cross slope of 4%. The route must be in a drainage and utility easement.

4. Please extend the swale from Infiltration Basin P-2 to provide positive drainage from Lot 7, Block 3 (as labeled on the preliminary grading plan). Please provide the swale as near as possible to the rear lot line (Ord. 910 XX-7-2.C.13).
5. Please provide a swale along the side lot line shared between Lots 1 and 2, Block 1 to direct a portion of the new impervious surface from Lot 1 to the proposed infiltration area (Ord. 910 XX-7-2.C.13).
6. The swales from the road culverts appear to utilize 3:1 side slopes with a V-bottom, which is a maintenance concern. The side slopes will be difficult to mow/maintain, and V-ditches are more prone to blockage as compared to flat bottom ditches. Please revise to 4:1 side slopes with a 4 foot (min) ditch bottom.
7. Please revise the ditch along 305th Avenue to provide a 4 foot (min) ditch bottom.
8. Please provide proposed drainage arrows on the final plans.
9. Please provide a note stating that infiltration basins are to be constructed after contributing area has been stabilized or infiltration basins shall be protected from sediment until contributing area has been stabilized.
10. There is a hatch on the Erosion Control Plan which appears to depict seeding areas. Please include the hatch in the legend.
11. This project will disturb more than 1 acre of land and therefore will require a NPDES Construction Permit.

STORM WATER MANAGEMENT PLAN AND MODELING

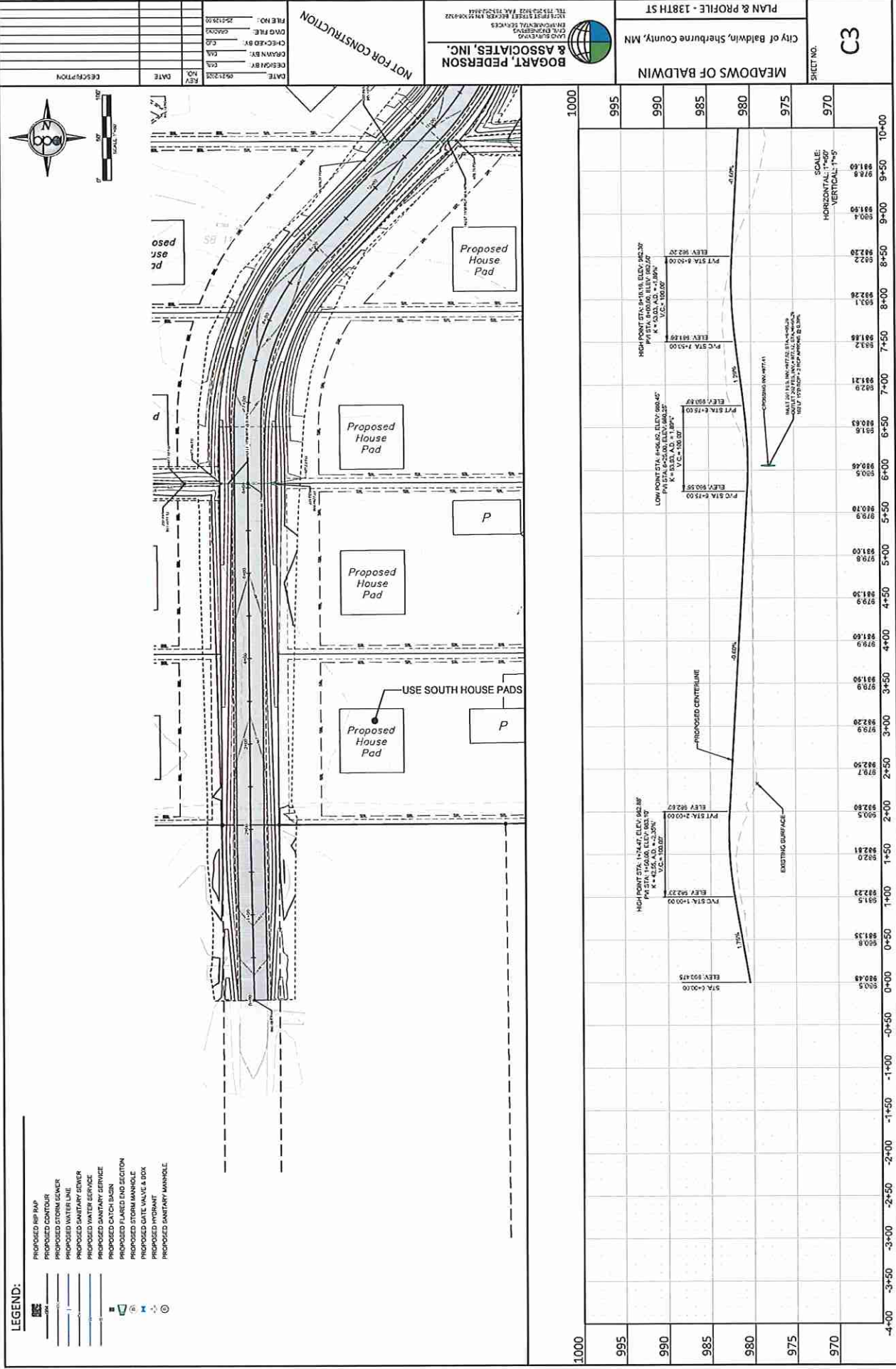
1. Please review and revise the existing condition Curve Numbers utilized in the modeling. In review of aerial photos, it appears that the existing condition would mostly correlate to grassland or non-grazed meadow in fair or good condition.
2. It appears that both proposed infiltration basins are landlocked. Please calculate the back-to-back 100 year elevation and the 10-year snowmelt elevation for purposes of determining the High Water Level.
3. The Water Quality Volume shall be calculated including all new impervious areas for the entire site, regardless of whether or not the stormwater is routed to the infiltration basins. It appears that the current calculations are only considering the impervious surfaces that is routed to the infiltration basins, and not the entire new impervious surface. Please revise as necessary.
4. Reevaluate the time of concentration for the proposed EX-6 sub-basin. The time of concentration for the proposed condition nearly triples as compared to the existing EX-6 sub-basin with little to no proposed grading shown. Please review and revise.
5. Please submit a maintenance plan for the proposed storm water management features (Ord. 910 XX-10-6).

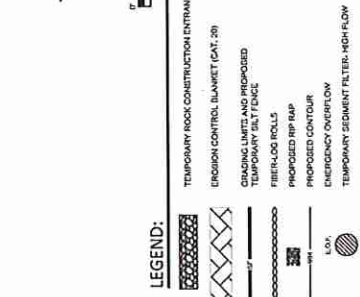
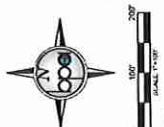
PRELIMINARY PLAT

1. Please provide drainage and utility easement from Lot 7, Block 3 as discussed in Grading comment #4 to the infiltration basin. (note, the same lot is labeled Lot 3 on the Preliminary Plat)
2. Please ensure that stormwater maintenance routes, once defined and labeled on the plans, are within a drainage and utility easement.
3. Please provide a statement clarifying the environmental condition of the site including the presence of any hazardous substances as defined in Minnesota statutes 115b.02, subdivision 10 (Ord 910 XX-7-2.B.10).
4. The lot numbering for Block 3 does not agree with the preliminary construction plans. Please ensure that the lot numbering agrees between the preliminary plat and preliminary plans to avoid confusion.

RECOMMENDATIONS

We recommend approval of the Preliminary Plat contingent upon the Applicant addressing the comments herein.



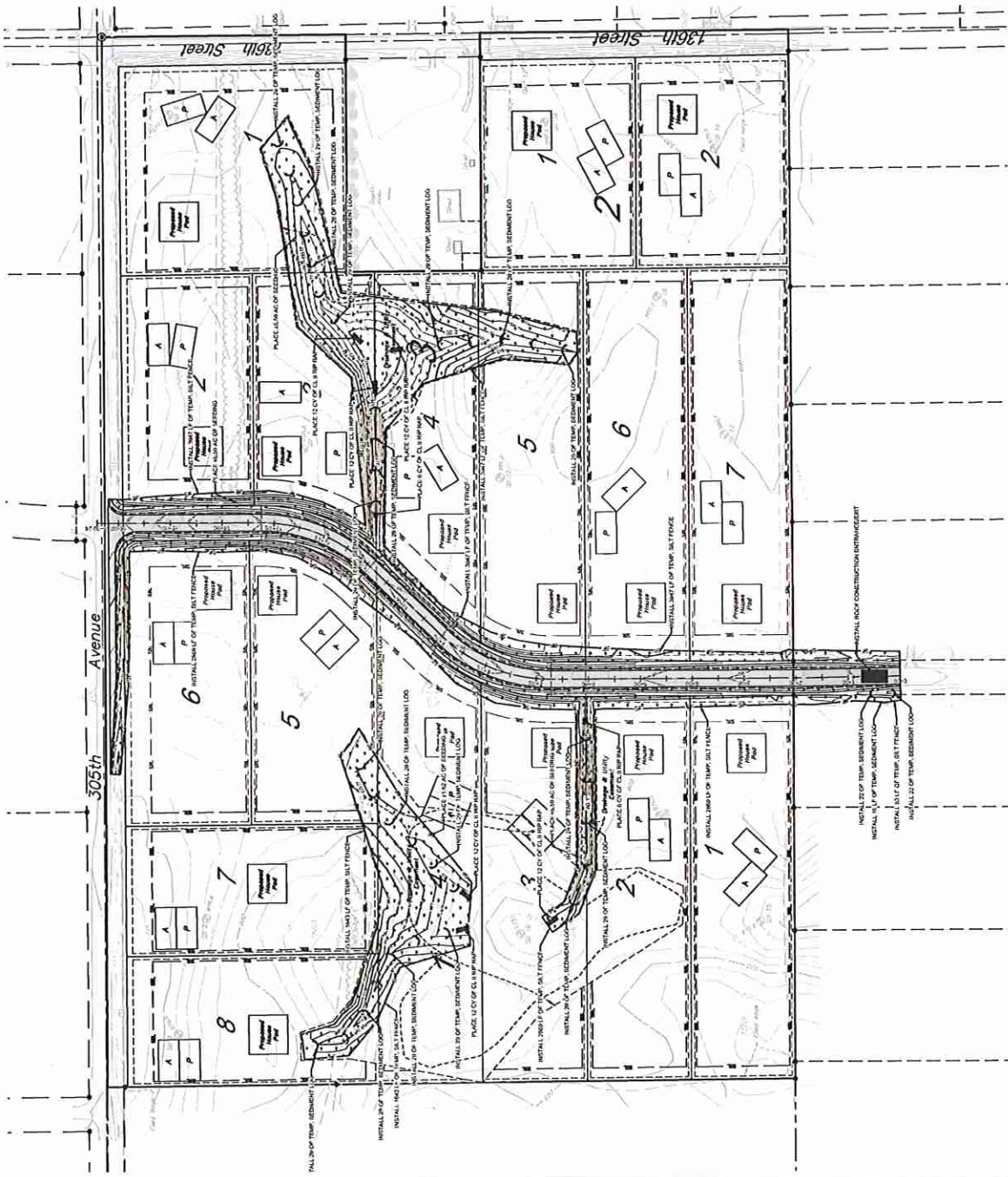


EROSION CONTROL NOTES:

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APPROXIMATE EROSION CONTROL DEVICES

- * SILT FENCE: 01613 LF
- * BIOLOG: 1,000 LF
- * ROCK CONSTRUCTION: 1 EACH
- * EROSION CONTROL BLANKET (CAT. 20): X S.V.
- * RIP RAP (CLASS 2): 04 C.Y.





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MEMORANDUM

TO: Baldwin Planning Commission

FROM: D. Daniel Licht

DATE: 19 August 2025

RE: Baldwin – Infinite Acres; Outlot A

TPC FILE: 260.02

BACKGROUND

Jeremey and Casey Snow own Outlot A, Infinite Acres located at the terminus end of 302nd Street. The Infinite Acres plat is located at the northwest quadrant of 136th Street and 301st Avenue. The property owners are proposing to build a house upon the parcel, which requires it to be platted prior to issuance of a building permit. As proposed by the property owners, platting the property would require several variances from the requirements of the Subdivision Ordinance.

City staff recommended that the property owners provide a sketch plan of their proposal for review and comment by the Planning Commission prior to preparing plans for a preliminary and final plat and applying for variances. Sketch plan applications are an informal review of a potential request so that the subdivider can obtain feedback on their proposal. Comments by City staff and/or the Planning Commission are not binding upon a subsequent application and do not entitle the property owner to future approval. The Planning Commission will consider the sketch plan at their meeting on 25 August 2025 at 7:00 PM

Exhibits:

- Site Location Map
- Outlot A Sketch Plan dated 6-25-25

ANALYSIS

The subject property exists as an outlot. Section 900-16-2.G of the Zoning Ordinance prohibits issuance of a building permit to construct a structure upon an outlot. In order to build upon the property, the subject property must be platted as a lot and block. The property owner has submitted a sketch plan showing the subject property to be platted as one lot to allow for construction of a single family dwelling within the north portion of the lot.

Approval of a preliminary and final plat to establish the subject property as a lot is block is subject to compliance with the provisions of the Zoning Ordinance and Subdivision Ordinance, including:

- Section 900-51-8.A of the Zoning Ordinance requires lots have a minimum width of 200ft, which is measured at the 50ft. setback from the front lot line abutting a public street.
- Section 910-10-3.B.1 of the Subdivision Ordinance requires that platting any lot must comply with the minimum dimensions established by the Zoning Ordinance.
- Section 900-21-5.A of the Zoning Ordinance and Section 910-10-B.9 of the Subdivision Ordinance requires lots to have access to an improved public street.
- Section 910-10-4.A.5 of the Subdivision Ordinance requires extension of abutting existing streets through a proposed plat to provide for access to adjacent undeveloped parcels.
- Section 910-10-4.C.2 of the Subdivision Ordinance allows permanent cul-de-sacs only when a through street is not physically possible.
- Section 910-10-4.C.2 of the Subdivision Ordinance limits the length of a permanent cul-de-sac to not more than 1,400 ft. measured from the centerline of the nearest intersection to the center cul-de-sac turnaround; the distance from the centerline of 302nd Avenue between 138th Street and its current terminus is approximately 1,350ft.

A 66 foot wide right-of-way for 302nd Avenue terminates at the east line of the subject property. The street section for 302nd Avenue terminates approximately 160ft. east of the east line of the subject property. The property owners are not proposing to dedicate right-of-way or extend 302nd Street through the subject property to the west plat line. As a result, the proposed subdivision does not comply with the requirements outlined above.

Approval of a preliminary and final plat that does not comply with the requirements of the Zoning Ordinance and Subdivision Ordinance is contingent on the City also approving variances from said requirements. Consideration of variances is to be based upon, but not limited to, each of the criteria outlined in Section 900-6- of the Zoning Ordinance:

- A. *That the variance would be consistent with the comprehensive plan.*
- B. *That the variance would be in harmony with the general purposes and intent of this ordinance.*
- C. *That the plight of the landowner is due to circumstances unique to the property not created by the landowner.*
- D. *That the purpose of the variance is not exclusively economic considerations.*
- E. *That the granting of the variance will not alter the essential character of the neighborhood in which the parcel of land is located.*
- F. *That the requested variance is the minimum action required to remedy the practical difficulty.*

- G. *The potential for the variance to impact natural resources such as surface water, groundwater, or wetlands; sites identified for rare biological species habitat; ecologically sensitive areas; or historically significant areas.*
- H. *No variance shall be granted that would allow for a lesser degree of flood protection than required by this ordinance.*

Variances are to be approved by the City only when there is a practical difficulty caused by unique physical conditions of the property that prevent a reasonable use. The proposal to not extend 302nd Avenue with platting of the subject property is not in any way related to physical conditions unique to this property but is solely due to the cost of constructing the street. Not requiring dedication of right-of-way and construction of the street as required by the Zoning Ordinance and Subdivision Ordinance would be treating this subdivision different than others within the City thereby establishing a precedence that should be avoided.

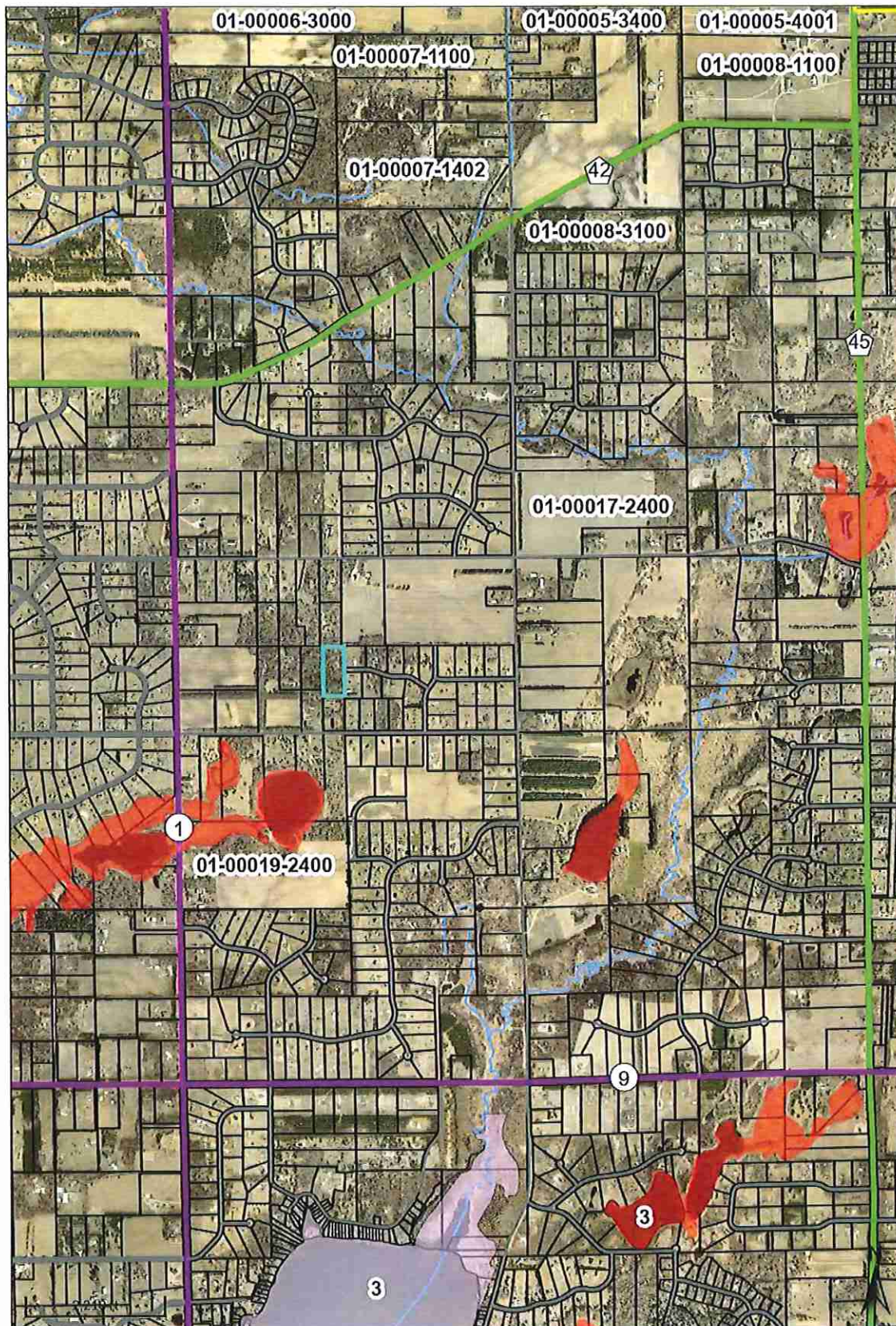
CONCLUSION

City staff does not support approval of a preliminary and final plat for Outlot A, Infinite Acres that does not include dedication of right-of-way and extension of 302nd Avenue as required to comply with the Zoning Ordinance. The Planning Commission is asked to review the proposed sketch plan and explanation of the property owners as to the basis to approve variances allowing the preliminary and final plat to be approved. The Planning Commission should provide the property owners direction as to the acceptability of their proposal so that they can decide whether to proceed with applications.

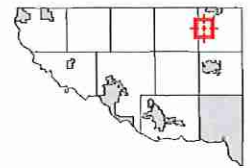
- c. Joan Heinen, City Clerk/Treasurer

Property Location

Snow Simple Pat



Overview



Legend

Public Water Inventory

- Not Classified
- General Development
- Natural Environment
- Recreational Development

Roads

- MN Highway; US Highway
- Municipal-State Aid Street
- Municipal Street
- Township Road
- State Forest Road
- Bureau of Fish and Wildlife Road
- Connector (Ramp)
- Privately Maintained Public Access Road
- County Road
- County-State Aid Highway
- Parcels
- Streams

Proposed Zoning:	General Rural (R-1)
Proposed Single Family Lots:	1 Units

PROPOSED ZONING STANDARDS

Single Family Lot	
Standard Lot Size	200'
Width:	300'
Depth:	2.5 Acres
Area:	
Minimum	
Front: Township Road	50'
Side Setback:	10'
Rear Setback:	25'

Client wishes not to build a through road as a part of this plot. Client wishes to have driveway to existing cul-de-sac and build a road in a manner which allows for future development. Client would like to have a portion of the property and a potential through road or driveway to the south portion of the property.

This is a conceptual sketch only. Actual location of property boundary lines shall be verified. It is the responsibility of the owner or contractor to conform with all building code, fire code and governing ordinances.

Let word need variance for road frontage.

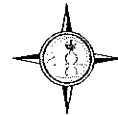
LEGEND:

_____	Demerol right of way
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~~~~~	Demerol proposed building setback line

heraby certify that this survey, plan, or report was prepared by me or under my direct supervision and that I am a duly Licensed Land Surveyor under the laws of the State of Minnesota.

DRAFT

Signed: Richard M. Thompson  
Date: U.C. No. 62953



SCALE: 1" = 100'

