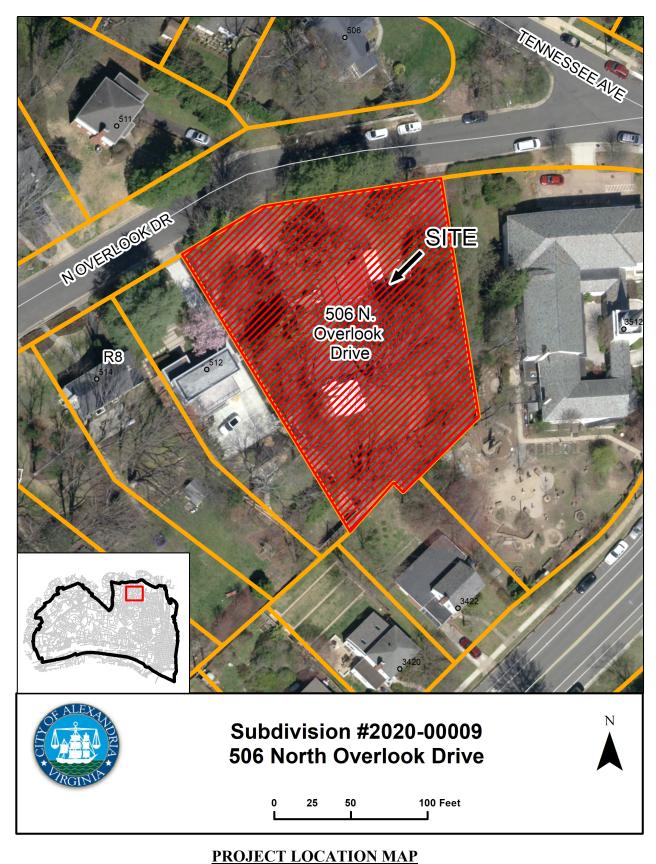
Application	General Data	
Request:	Planning Commission	April 8, 2021
Public hearing and consideration of a	Hearing:	
request for a subdivision to re-	Approved Plat must be	October 8, 2022
subdivide two existing lots.	Recorded By:	
Address: 506 North Overlook Drive	Zone:	R-8 / Single-Family Zone
Applicant: Brian Thomas,	Small Area Plan:	North Ridge / Rosemont
represented by Zachary Williams,		
attorney		

Staff Recommendation: APPROVAL subject to compliance with all applicable codes and ordinances and the recommended permit conditions found in Section III of this report.

Staff Reviewer: Sam Shelby, sam.shelby@alexandriava.gov

Ann Horowitz, ann.horowitz@alexandriava.gov



I. DISCUSSION

The applicant, Brian Thomas, represented by Zachary Williams, attorney, requests approval to resubdivide two existing lots in the R-8 zone. Staff recommends approval of the subdivision request with conditions as described in this report.

SITE DESCRIPTION

The subject property, featured in Figure 1, below, contains two irregularly shaped lots of record, addressed together as 506 North Overlook Drive. Existing Lot 13 has 8,252 square feet of area and 79.6 feet of frontage. Existing Lot Three has 16,981 square feet of area and 97.9 feet of frontage. Existing Lots 13 and 3 were never legally consolidated but essentially read as a single lot. The Beverley Hills United Methodist Church directly abuts Existing Lot Three to the west. Otherwise, the subject property's general vicinity contains single-family dwellings. A single-family dwelling constructed circa 1878 and altered over time, occupies Existing Lot Three.



Figure 1 – Subject property (outlined in blue)

SUBDIVISION BACKGROUND

Existing Lots 3 and 13 were established as part of Sections 3 and 8, respectively, of the Beverley Hills Subdivision. The existing lots remain unchanged since they were established. Staff research indicates that the Beverley Hills Subdivision was established in sections over time dating from 1926 to 1940. The area within the subdivision was annexed by the City from Arlington County in 1930. The City has approved seven subdivisions within Beverley Hills since 1958. The remainder of properties within the Beverley Hills Subdivision are largely the same as they were when originally established. This proposal was originally scheduled to be heard by Planning Commission on March 2, 2021. The previous owner, then the applicant, requested deferral of the case and has since sold the property to the current applicant.

PROPOSAL

The applicant requests approval to re-subdivide Existing Lots 13 and 3. Proposed Lot 500 would have 96 feet of frontage along North Overlook Drive and would have a total size of 13,755 square feet. Proposed Lot 501 would have 81.55 feet of frontage along North Overlook Drive and would have a lot size of 11,478 square feet. Both proposed lots would remain irregular in shape. Existing and proposed lots are shown in Figures 2 and 3, below. The applicant states that they intend to demolish the existing dwelling and construct a single-family dwelling on each new lot, subject to the R-8 zone requirements.

SUB #2020-00009 506 North Overlook Drive

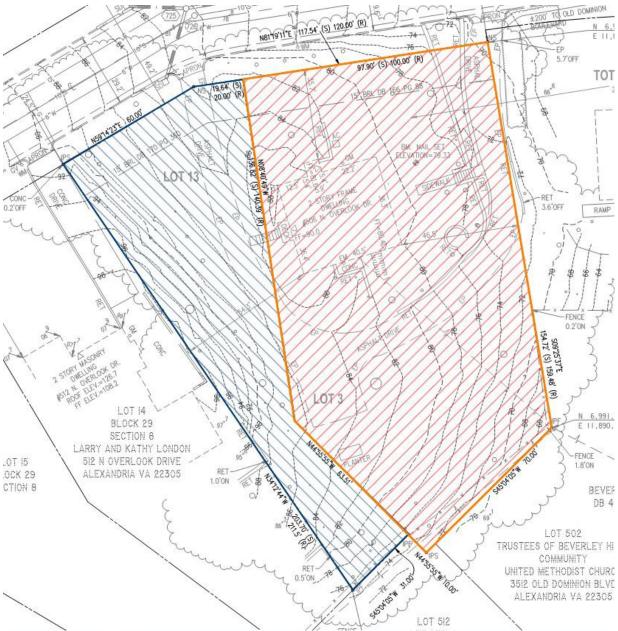


Figure 2 - Existing Lots (lot 13 in blue, lot 3 in orange)

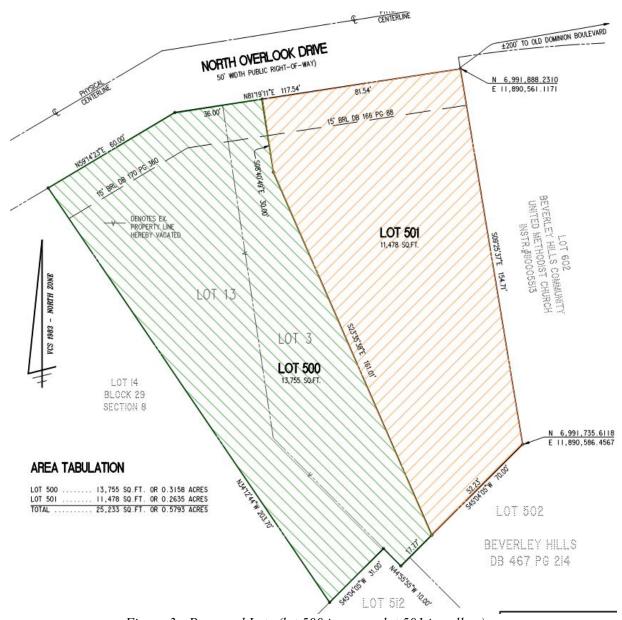


Figure 3 - Proposed Lots (lot 500 in green, lot 501 in yellow)

ZONING/ MASTER PLAN DESIGNATION

The subject property is zoned R-8/Single-Family zone and both proposed lots would comply with all lot requirements for single-family dwelling as shown in Table 1. Any future development would be required to comply with all applicable provisions of the Zoning Ordinance.

The property is located within the North Ridge/Rosemont Small Area Plan Chapter of the Alexandria Master Plan, which designates the property for low-density residential uses consistent with the R-8 zoning regulations. The proposed lots would comply with the North Ridge/Rosemont Small Area Plan as they would be suitable for low-density residential uses.

Table 1 – R-8 Zoning Requirements

	Required/	Exi	isting	Prop	osed
	Permitted	Lot 13	Lot 3	Lot 500	Lot 501
Lot Size	8,000 Sq. Ft.	8,252 Sq. Ft.	16,981 Sq. Ft.	13,755 Sq. Ft.	11,478 Sq. Ft.
Width	65 Ft.	84.0 Ft.	81.9 Ft.	82.48 Ft.	81.94 Ft.
Frontage	40 Ft.	79.6 Ft.	97.9 Ft.	96 Ft.	81.55 Ft.
Front Yard	17.0 - 57.7 Ft.		35.7 Ft.		
Side Yard	8 Ft., 1:2 ratio		4.9 Ft.		
(East)		No existing		Future developn	nent required to
Side Yard	8 Ft., 1:2 ratio	structures on	46.5 Ft.	comply with a	ll R-8 zoning
(West)		lot 13.		require	ments.
Rear Yard	8 Ft., 1:1 ratio		119.1 Ft.		
Floor Area	0.35		~0.17		

SUBDIVISION STANDARDS

Zoning Ordinance Section 11-1701 states the purpose of the subdivision regulations as follows:

The purpose of these regulations is to provide for the **orderly division of land for development** or transfer of ownership and for an accurate system of recording land division and ownership.

In reviewing subdivision requests, analysis is limited to review of proposed lots and their configuration as well as compliance with the following standards:

Sections 11-1706 and 11-1709 address technical subdivision requirements;

Section 11-1710(C) requires that the subdivision conform to the City Master Plan;

Section 11-1710(D) requires that all lots meet zone requirements;

Sections 11-1710(A) and (E) through (R) contain infrastructure requirements; and

Section 11-1710(B) states that subdivided lots "shall be of substantially the same character as to suitability for residential use and structures, lot areas, orientation, street frontage, alignment to streets and restrictions as other land in the subdivision, particularly with respect to similarly situated lots within the adjoining portions of the original subdivision." Subdivision plat documents or land in the same general location and zone with similar features may be used to determine neighborhood character.

II. STAFF ANALYSIS

Staff recommends approval of the applicant's re-subdivision request. The proposed reconfiguration of the lots would be compatible with neighborhood character in terms of lot size, frontage and width as required by Section 11-1710(B). Proposed Lots 500 and 501 would also comply with the R-8 zone requirements provided that the applicant demolishes the existing dwelling on Proposed Lot 501. Staff has included Condition 2 to require that the existing dwelling be demolished prior to final subdivision plat approval in accordance with Section 11-1710(B)(3).

Staff analysis of Section 11-1710(B) follows.

A. Neighborhood Character Analysis

Area of Comparison and Similarly Situated Lots

The subject property contains lots within both Sections 3 and 8 of the original Beverley Hills Subdivision. As such, the area of comparison includes all of Sections 3 and 8 of the original subdivision. All lots within the area of comparison are zoned R-8 and generally exhibit similar lot widths and frontages. The area of comparison is outlined in red in Figure 4, below.

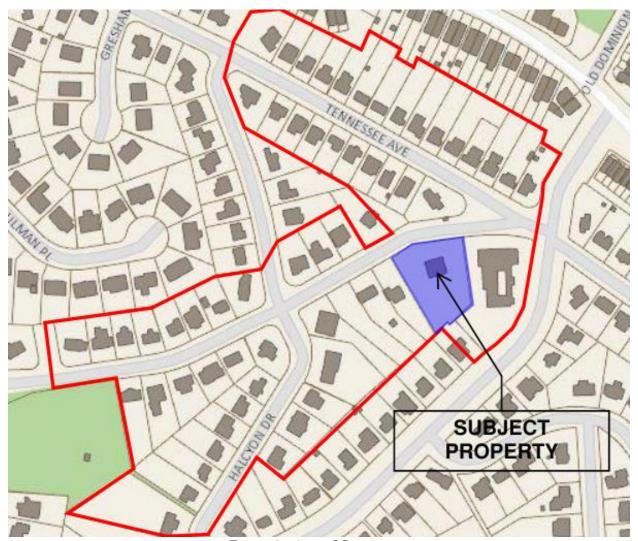


Figure 4 - Area of Comparison

The proposed lots' characteristics are consistent with similarly situated lots in terms of frontage, width and size. These similarly situated lots are like the proposed lots in that they are also interior lots and have irregular shapes and are discussed in detail under the Lot Analysis section.

Lot Analysis

The lot analysis for proposed lots 500 and 501 includes the six lots outlined in orange on Figure 5. These lots were included because they are similarly sized, within Sections 3 and 8 of the Beverley Hills Subdivision and have irregular shapes. Table 2 below shows how the proposed lots compare to similarly situated lots within the area of comparison in terms of width, frontage and size.

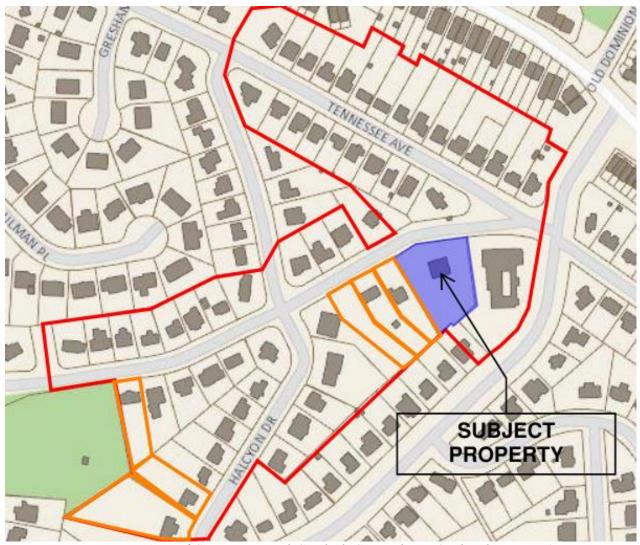


Figure 5 - Area of Comparison with Similarly Situated Lots (outlined in orange)

Table 2 – Lot Analysis

	Width	Frontage	Size
Proposed Lot 500	82.48 Ft.	96.0 Ft.	13,755 Sq. Ft.
Proposed Lot 501	81.94 Ft.	81.55 Ft.	11,478 Sq. Ft.
512 N. Overlook Dr.	60 Ft.	60 Ft.	11,844 Sq. Ft.
514 N. Overlook Dr.	60 Ft.	60 Ft.	11,855 Sq. Ft.
516 N. Overlook Dr.	60 Ft.	60 Ft.	11, 290 Sq. Ft.
610 N. Overlook Dr.	~60 Ft.	~60 Ft.	~12,240 Sq. Ft.
3402 Halcyon Dr.	80.23 Ft.	80.23 Ft.	26,271 Sq. Ft.
3404 Halcyon Dr.	~60 Ft.	~60 Ft.	~10,320 Sq. Ft.

The proposed lots would be similar in width and/or size to other similarly situated lots. As such, they would be substantially the same character as to suitability for residential use and structures as required by section 11-1710(B) and meet the subdivision neighborhood character requirement. In fact, the applicant's proposed lot configuration would create lots that would be more in character with similarly situated lots than the configuration of the existing lots. Further, the proposed lots would comply with the R-8 zone requirements. The R-8 zone's minimum lot size and width requirements ensure that properties within the zone are suitable for low-density residential uses as required by the North Ridge/Rosemont Small Area Plan Chapter of the City's Master Plan.

B. Additional Considerations

Tree Canopy Coverage

Staff from the Department of Recreation, Parks and Cultural Activities states that there are many valuable trees on the subject property. The applicant submitted a tree inventory that shows the subject property contains 68 trees, many of which are mature. Of particular value is tree number 139, a White Oak. This tree is a significant size for the species. White Oaks are some of the City's highest valued trees as they represent a species native to the area.

To protect and preserve other mature and native trees on the property, staff has included Conditions #3 through #5 which would require protection and preservation of trees outside any future limits of disturbance, with additional tree preservation efforts to be provided to protect tree number 139 and to prohibit removal of trees within the City right-of-way without approval by the City arborist. Staff will work closely with the City arborist on future grading plan submissions to ensure proper tree preservation and protection methods are addressed to maintain the maximum possible number of trees.

Encroachments in the Public Right-of-Way

Transportation and Environmental Services (T&ES) staff noted two retaining walls that extend beyond the front lot line into the public right-of-way. The City Code does not permit retaining walls within the right-of-way without encroachment approval. Staff has therefore included Condition #6 stating that the applicant must apply and receive approval from City Council for an

encroachment prior to submission of the final plat unless the retaining walls are removed from the right-of-way prior to final plat submission.

Neighborhood Comments

Staff met with the North Ridge Citizens Association (NRCA) on February 11, 22 and March 23 to discuss the case. NRCA submitted a letter and petition ahead of the March Planning Commission hearing, dated February 24, 2021 and included with this report, requesting that the Planning Commission defer consideration of the request. In its letter, NRCA expressed concerns about the demolition of the historic dwelling on the property, destruction of potential archaeological resources, inconsistency with the City's Master Plan, negative impacts to neighborhood character and property values, tree canopy coverage and the subject property's topography.

In response to NRCA concerns related to the applicant's intended demolition of the house, staff provides that subdivision reviews are limited to the "....orderly division of land for development..." as stated in the Zoning Ordinance. Consideration of anticipated development or demolition is outside the purview of a subdivision review. Further, the dwelling is not included in the list of buildings over 100 years old that have protected status under Zoning Ordinance section 10-300. As such, it is not subject to Board of Architectural Review for alterations and demolition pursuant to Zoning Ordinance sections 10-304 and 10-305, respectively.

III. CONCLUSION

In summary, proposed Lots 500 and 501 would adhere to all subdivision and R-8 zone requirements. The lots are substantially similar in character as other similarly situated lots within the original subdivision.

Subject to the conditions contained in Section II of this report, staff recommends approval of the re-subdivision request.

IV. RECOMMENDED CONDITIONS

Staff recommends **approval** subject to compliance with all applicable codes and ordinances and the following conditions:

- 1. The final subdivision plat shall comply with the requirements of Section 11-1700 of the Zoning Ordinance. (P&Z)
- 2. The existing dwelling shall be demolished prior to submittal of the final plat. (P&Z)
- 3. The applicant shall provide tree protection fencings for all areas outside the limits of disturbance to be provided with the grading plan submission. (P&Z)
- 4. No trees located within the City right-of-way shall be removed without approval by the City arborist. (P&Z)
- 5. A tree protection plan developed by an arborist shall be submitted with the grading plan submission to ensure preservation and protection of tree number 139. (P&Z)
- 6. The applicant shall apply for and receive City Council approval of an encroachment for the retaining walls, or these structures shall be removed from the public right-of-way, prior to submission of the final plat. (P&Z)

STAFF: Tony LaColla, AICP, Division Chief, Land Use Services Ann Horowitz, Principal Planner Sam Shelby, Urban Planner

Staff Note: This plat will expire 18 months from the date of approval (October 8, 2022) unless recorded sooner.

V. CITY DEPARTMENT COMMENTS

Legend: C - code requirement R - recommendation S - suggestion F - finding

Real Estate Assessments:

No comments.

Transportation & Environmental Services:

- F-1 DROW, Storm, Transportation Planning, and Traffic Engineering have no comments.
- F-2 Two retaining wall encroachments are depicted at NE corner of site. Boundary survey should label these and all other encroachments appropriately. (Survey)
- F-3 If this subdivision is approved prior to existing building being demolished, proposed property line will extend through middle of said building, non-conforming. (Survey)

Code Enforcement:

No comments.

Fire:

No comments or concerns.

Recreation, Parks & Cultural Activities:

F-1 There are many valuable trees on these parcels but none are significant in terms of being 'specimen' trees that enjoy special protections during development.

Police Department:

No comments received.

Archaeology:

No archaeological oversight will be necessary for this subdivision.



SUBDIVISION OF PROPERTY

S	UB #	
PROPERTY	LOCATION:	
		ZONE:
APPLICANT	:	
Address:		
PROPERTY Name:	OWNER:	
Address:	4150 Lawrence Ave., Ale	xandria, VA 22304
SUBDIVISIO	ON DESCRIPTION	
11-170 THE to the	00 of the Zoning Ordinance of the UNDERSIGNED, having obtain	ned permission from the property owner, hereby grants permission mission Members to visit, inspect, and photograph the building
to the pursua THE all sur	City of Alexandria to post placard ant to Article XI, Section 11-301 (UNDERSIGNED, also attests the	ned permission from the property owner, hereby grants permission of notice on the property for which this application is requested, (B) of the 1992 Zoning Ordinance of the City of Alexandria, Virginia at all of the information herein provided and specifically including the applicant are true, correct and accurate to the best of his/her
		Zalvillian
Print Name of Ap	oplicant or Agent	Signature
Mailing/Street Ad	Idress	Telephone # Fax #
City and State	Zip Code	Email address
		 Date

ALL APPLICANTS MUST COMPLETE THIS FORM.

The app	licant is: <i>(d</i>	check one)			
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NAICS:

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LICENSE RATE:

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OWNERSHIP AND DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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WAIVER OF RIGHT TO AUTOMATIC APPROVAL

SUBMITTED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING & ZONING CITY OF ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA

PROJECT NAME:
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PROJECT ADDRESS:
DESCRIPTION OF REQUEST:
The Applicant requests a re-subdivision of existing lots 13 and 3, into proposed lots 500 and 501, respectively.
The proposed re-subdivision will result in two buildable lots in conformance with the R-8 District.
Additionally, two single-family detached residences are proposed for the new lots.
THE UNDERSIGNED, hereby waives the right to the 45 day automatic approval provision of Section
11-1708 (B)(2) of the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, for the application stated
above.
Date:
[] Applicant
[] Applicant
[] Agent
Signature: Zowilliam_
Printed Name

506 NORTH OVERLOOK DRIVE

REVISED 3.17.2021

LOT 3, BLOCK 23, SECTION 3 & LOT 13, BLOCK 29, SECTION 8 OF BEVERLY HILLS PRELIMINARY/FINAL SUBDIVISION APPLICATION

SURVEY NOTES

- I. THE PROPERTY SHOWN HEREON IS DESIGNATED BY THE CITY OF ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA, AS MAP-BLOCK-LOT NUMBER 006.04-04-14 AND IS ZONED R8.
- 2. THE PROPERTY, BEING COMPRISED OF LOT 3, BLOCK 23, SECTION 3, BEVERLY HILLS AS RECORDED IN DEED BOOK 144 AT PAGE 107 AND IN DEED BOOK 166 AT PAGE 88, AND LOT 13, BLOCK 29, SECTION 8, BEVERLY HILLS AS RECORDED IN DEED BOOK 170 AT PAGE 360, IS NOW IN THE NAME OF J. PAUL GILMAN AND VIRGINIA GARLAND GILMAN AS RECORDED IN INSTRUMENT NUMBER 990025908, ALL AMONG THE LAND RECORDS OF THE CITY OF ALEXANDRIA. VIRGINIA.
- 3. THIS PLAT AND THE SURVEY UPON WHICH IT IS BASED SHOWS ONLY THOSE IMPROVEMENTS THAT ARE OBSERVABLE AND CAN BE LOCATED USING NORMAL SURVEY METHODS. THE UNDERGROUND UTILITIES SHOWN HAVE BEEN LOCATED FROM FIELD SURVEY INFORMATION, MISS UTILITY MARKINGS AND EXISTING RECORDS. THERE ARE NO GUARANTEES, EITHER EXPRESS OR IMPLIED, THAT THE UNDERGROUND UTILITIES SHOWN COMPRISE ALL SUCH UTILITIES IN THE AREA, EITHER IN SERVICE OR ABANDONED, OR THAT THE UNDERGROUND UTILITIES SHOWN ARE IN THE EXACT LOCATION INDICATED. THE UNDERGROUND UTILITIES HAVE NOT BEEN PHYSICALLY LOCATED. WATER AND GAS LINE SIZES ARE FROM RECORD INFORMATION.
- 4. TOTAL RECORD AREA OF THE PROPERTY IS 28,375 SQUARE FEET OR 0.6514 ACRES. TOTAL SURVEYED AREA OF THE PROPERTY IS 25,233 SQUARE FEET OR 0.5793 ACRES.
- 5. THIS PLAT IS BASED ON A FIELD SURVEY BY THIS FIRM, DATED 08/07/2020.
- 6. THE FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY'S FLOOD INSURANCE RATE MAP FOR THE CITY OF ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA, MAP NUMBER 5155190029E, REVISED DATE JUNE 16, 2011, DESIGNATES THE PROPERTY AS BEING IN ZONE X, "AREAS DETERMINED TO BE OUTSIDE THE 0.2% ANNUAL CHANCE FLOODPLAIN."
- 7. THIS SURVEY DOES NOT PURPORT TO SHOW AND/OR NOTE ALL OF THE EASEMENTS, CONDITIONS, COVENANTS, DEDICATIONS AND RESTRICTIONS THAT MAY EXIST IN THE CHAIN OF TITLE. NO TITLE REPORT WAS FURNISHED.
- 8. THE SITE SHOWN HEREON IS REFERENCED TO THE NORTH AMERICAN VERTICAL DATUM OF 1988 AS COMPUTED FROM A FIELD RUN VERTICAL CONTROL SURVEY AND IS REFERENCED TO THE VIRGINIA COORDINATE SYSTEM OF 1983. THE COMBINED FACTOR APPLIED TO THE FIELD DISTANCES TO DERIVE THE REFERENCED COORDINATES IS 0.99995809. THE FOOT DEFINITION USED IN THE PERFORMANCE OF THIS SURVEY IS THE U.S. SURVEY FOOT. CONTOUR INTERVAL IS ONE FOOT.
- 9. THIS SURVEY WAS COMPLETED UNDER THE DIRECT AND RESPONSIBLE CHARGE OF, DANNY E POTEET, L.S., FROM AN ACTUAL [X] GROUND OR [] AIRBORNE SURVEY MADE UNDER MY SUPERVISION; THAT THE IMAGERY AND/OR ORIGINAL DATA WAS OBTAINED ON AUGUST 15, 2020; AND THAT THIS PLAT, MAP, OR DIGITAL GEOSPATIAL DATA INCLUDING METADATA MEETS MINIMUM ACCURACY STANDARDS UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED.
- 10. THE PROPERTY IS SUBJECT TO COVENANTS, CONDITIONS AND RESTRICTIONS AS RECORDED IN DEED BOOK 144 AT PAGE 107, DEED BOOK 166 AT PAGE 88 AND IN DEED BOOK 170 AT PAGE 360

AREA TABULATIONS

EXISTING AREA TABULATIONS	AREA (SF)	AREA (AC)
EXISTING LOT 13	8252	0.1894
EXISTING LOT 3	16981	0.3898
TOTAL	25233	0.5793
PROPOSED AREA TABULATIONS	AREA (SF)	AREA (AC)
	AREA (SF) 13755	AREA (AC) 0.3158
PROPOSED AREA TABULATIONS PROPOSED LOT 500 PROPOSED LOT 501	· · ·	

CONTEXTUAL BLOCK FACE TABULATIONS

BLOCK FACE	FRONT SETBACK (FT)	THRESHOLD (FT)
506 Tennessee Avenue	17.0	6.1
506 N Overlook Drive	38.3	-2.7
511 N Overlook Drive	34.7	5.3
512 N Overlook Drive	57.7	0.7
ZONING REQUIREMENT	17.0 - 57.7	6.1 (MAX)

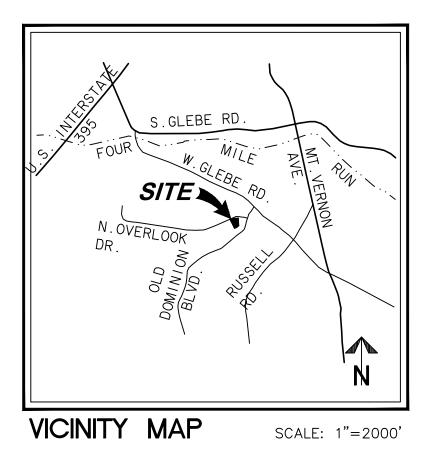
LOT 501		
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506 Tennessee Avenue	17.0	6.1
511 N Overlook Drive	34.7	5.3
512 N Overlook Drive	57.7	0.7
ZONING REQUIREMENT	17.0 - 57.7	6.1 (MAX)

ZONING/SUBDIVISION TABULATIONS

ZONING TABULATIONS				
SITE AREA (SQ. FT.)	25,233			
ZONE: R-8				
	REQUIRED	PROV	/IDED	COMMENT
		LOT 500	LOT 501	
MIN. INTERIOR LOT AREA (SF)	8000	13755	11478	
MIN. INTERIOR LOT WIDTH (FT)	65	82.48	81.94	
MIN. LOT FRONTAGE (FT)	40	96.00	81.55	
FRONT YARD (FT)	17.0 - 57.7	AS REQUIRED	AS REQUIRED	
SIDE YARD (FT)	1:2, MIN. 8	15	15	(MAX BUILDING HEIGHT)
REAR YARD (FT)	1:1, MIN. 8	30	30	(MAX BUILDING HEIGHT)
FAR	0.35	AS REQUIRED	AS REQUIRED	
HEIGHT (FT)	30	AS REQUIRED	AS REQUIRED	
MAX. THRESHOLD HEIGHT (FT)	6.1	AS REQUIRED	AS REQUIRED	

GENERAL NOTES

- 1. THIS APPLICATION IS FOR THE RE-SUBDIVISION OF TWO (2) EXISTING LOTS AND COMPRISES LESS THAN ONE (1) CITY BLOCK. THEREFORE, THE APPLICATION IS SUBJECT TO SECTION 11-1705A AND 11-1705B OF THE CITY OF ALEXANDRIA ZONING ORDINANCE AND THE PRELIMINARY SUBDIVISION PLAT AND FINAL SUBDIVISION PLAT MAY BE PROCESSED AND APPROVED CONCURRENTLY.
- 2. SUBDIVISION NAME: 506 NORTH OVERLOOK DRIVE.
- 3. THERE IS ONE (1) EXISTING BUILDING LOCATED ON THE SUBJECT PROPERTY. THE RE-SUBDIVISION WILL RESULT IN TWO (2) BUILDABLE LOTS IN CONFORMANCE WITH THE R-8 ZONING DISTRICT.
- 4. THE SITE IS LOCATED IN ZONING DISTRICT R-8.
- 5. THERE IS NO OBSERVABLE, HISTORICAL OR ARCHAEOLOGICAL EVIDENCE OF CEMETERIES OR BURIAL GROUNDS ON THIS PROPERTY.
- 6. TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE THE SITE DOES NOT LIE WITHIN 100—YEAR FLOOD PLAIN WATER SURFACE ELEVATION (WSE) PER THE DEMARCATION OF THE CURRENT FLOOD INSURANCE RATE MAP (FIRM) PUBLISHED BY FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY (FEMA).
- 7. THE SUBJECT PROPERTY DOES NOT LIE WITHIN THE CITY OF ALEXANDRIA RESOURCE PROTECTION AREA (RPA) AND THERE ARE NO MAPPED RPA'S ON THIS PROPERTY.
- 8. TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE, THERE ARE NO KNOWN AREAS THAT CAN REASONABLY BE EXPECTED TO CONTAIN SOILS OR MATERIALS CONTAMINATED WITH, BUT NOT LIMITED TO HEAVY METALS, PETROLEUM PRODUCTS, PCB's, PESTICIDES, FLYASH, OR OTHER TOXIC HAZARDOUS MATERIALS.
- 9. TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE, THERE ARE NO KNOWN UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANKS ON THE PROPERTY.
- 10. TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE, THE PROPERTY IS NOT WITHIN 1,000 FEET OF A FORMER SANITARY LANDFILL, DUMP OR DISPOSAL AREA.
- 11. TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE, THERE ARE NO KNOWN AREAS WITH THE POTENTIAL FOR GENERATING COMBUSTIBLE GASES.



DEVELOPMENT TEAM INFORMATION

1. RECORD OWNER/APPLICANT:
BRIAN THOMAS
4150 LAWRENCE AVE
ALEXANDRIA, VA 22304
202-225-1847

2. CIVIL ENGINEER:
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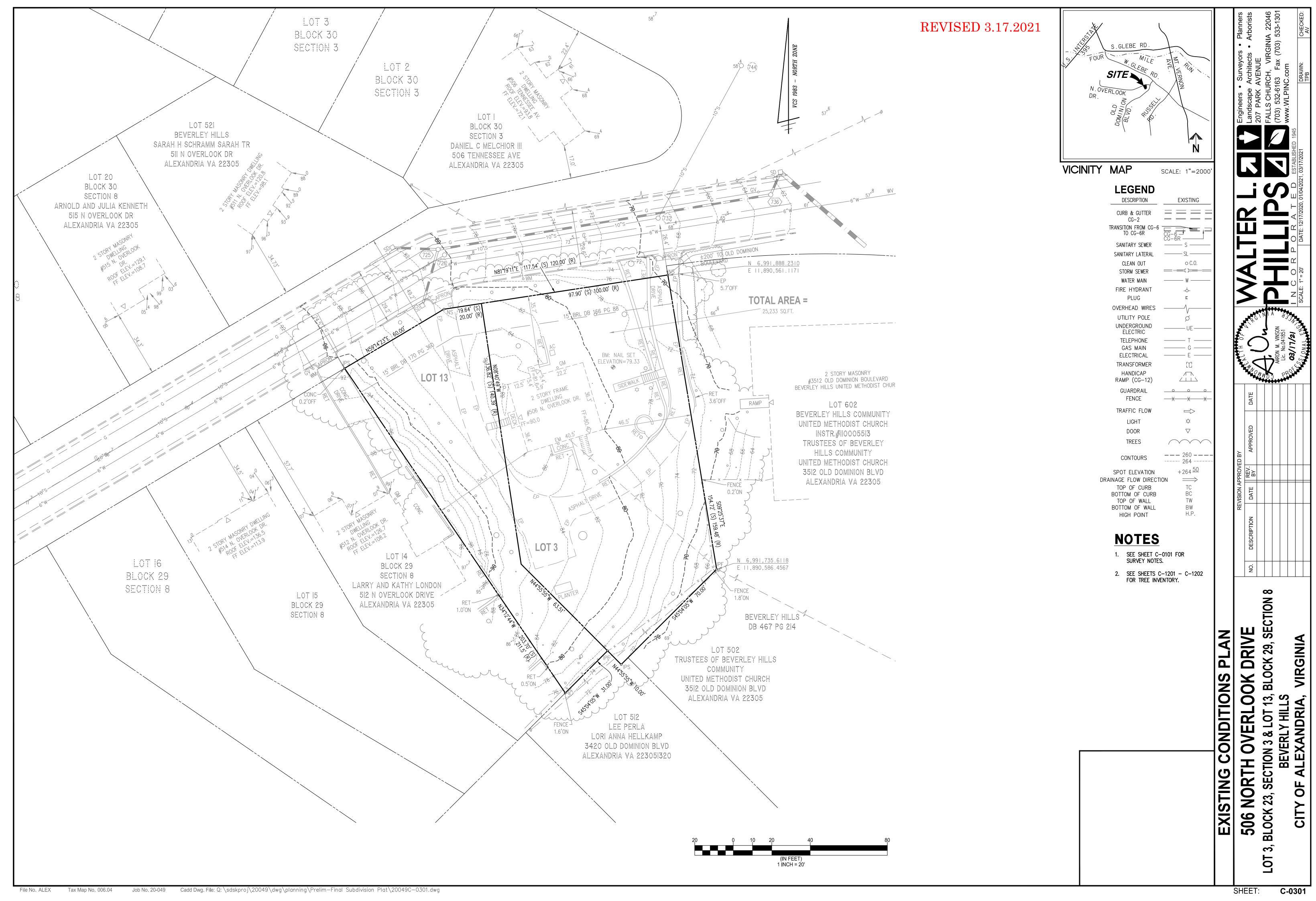
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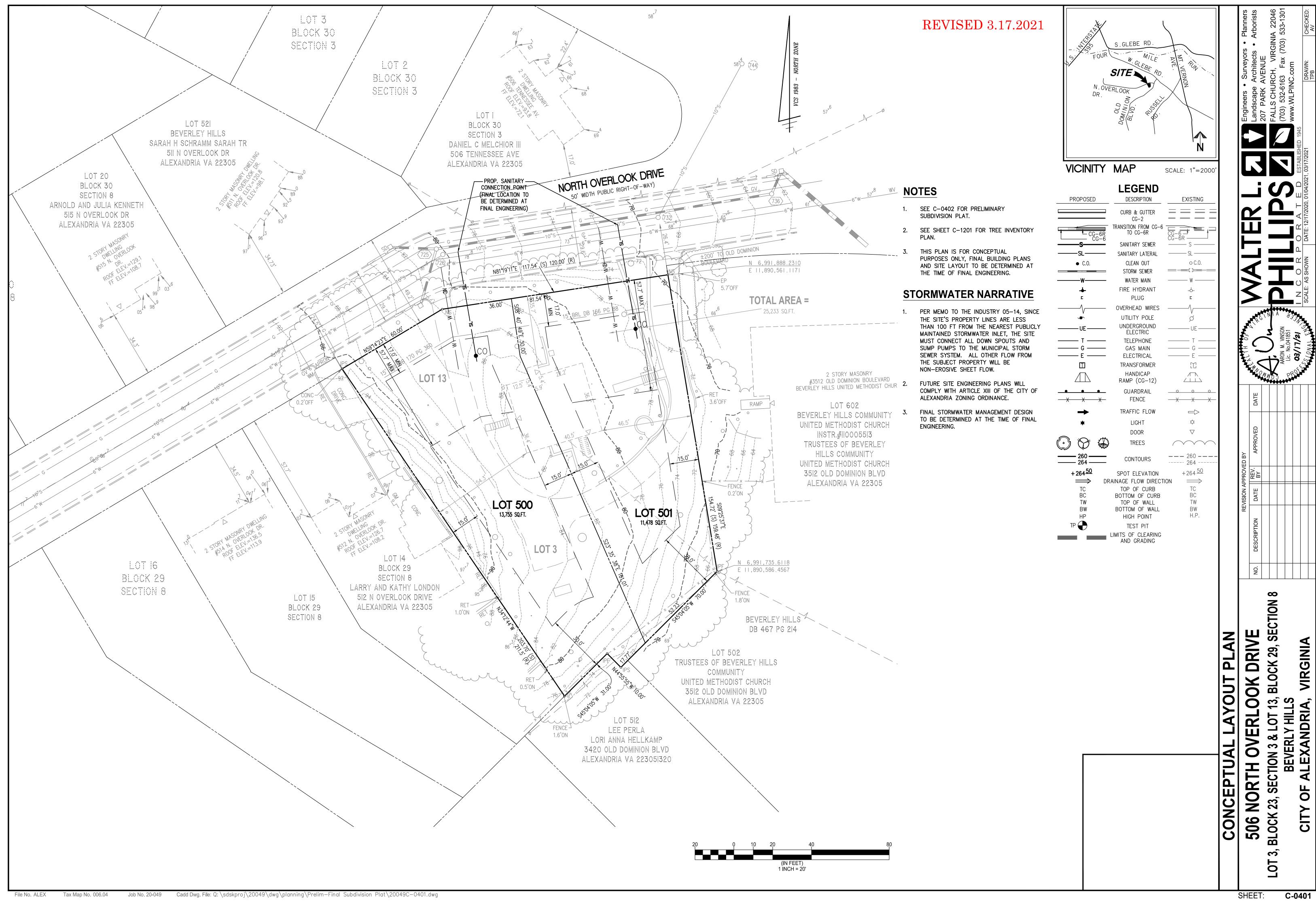
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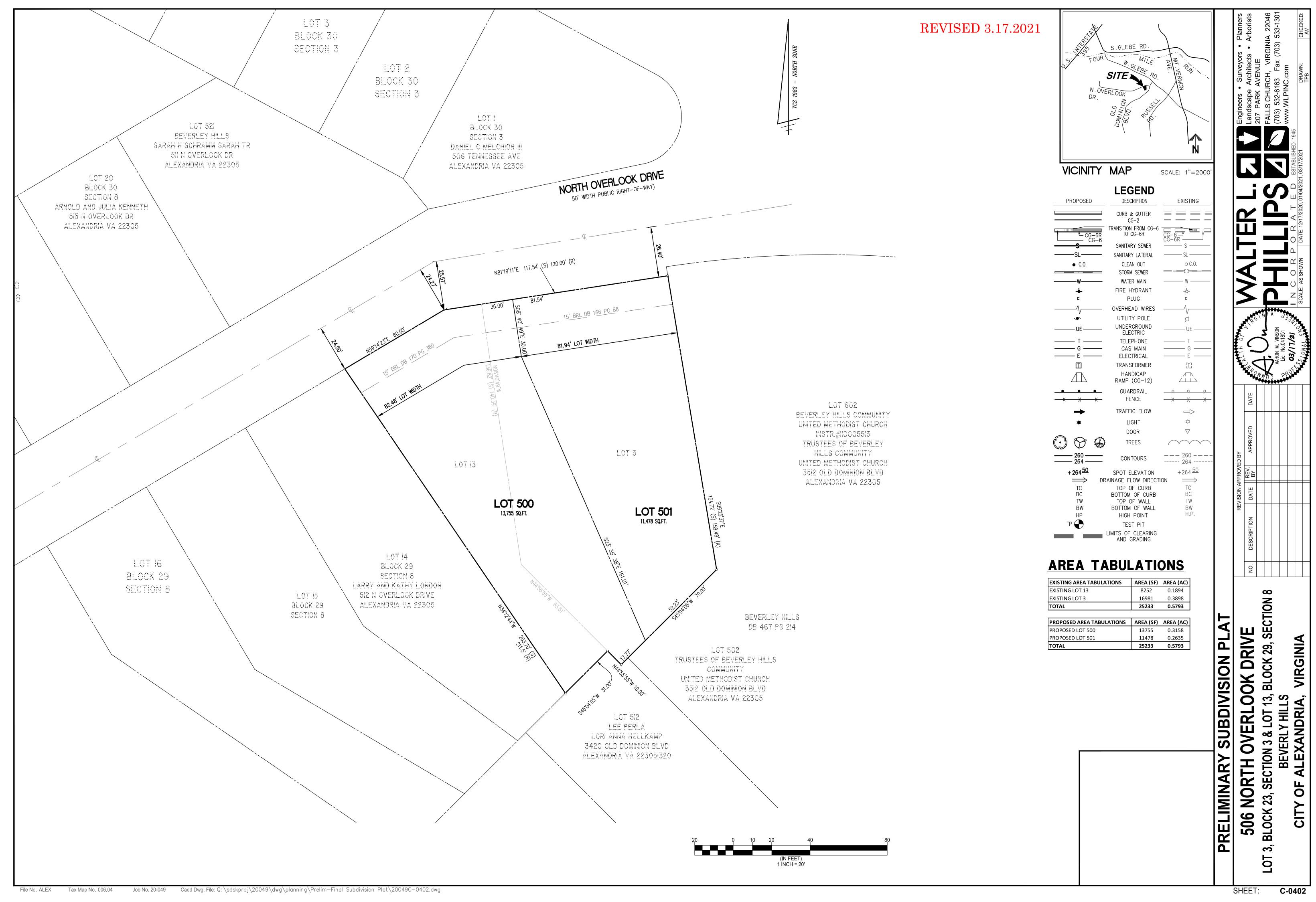
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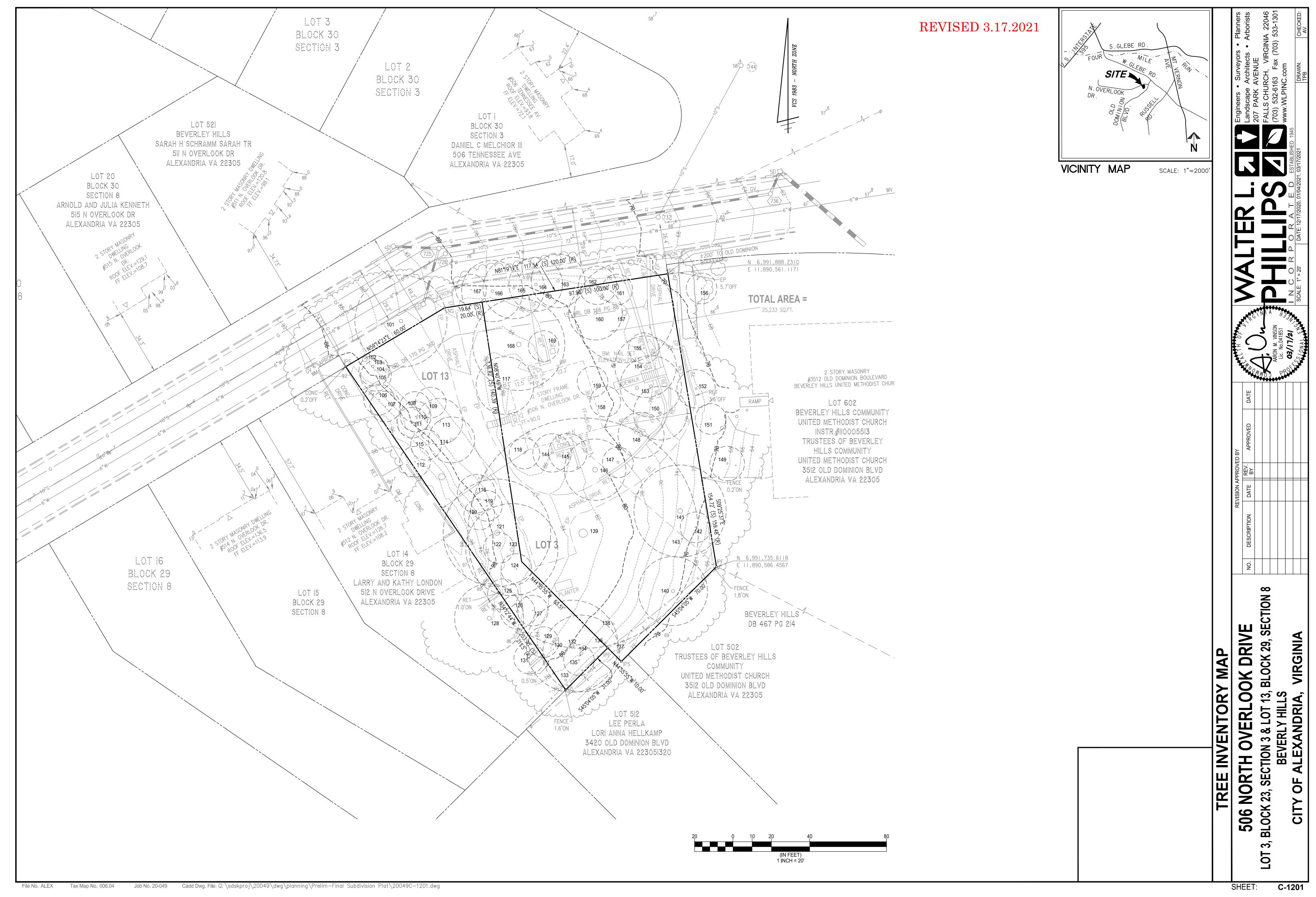
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<u>exandr</u>	ia 	Tree Inventory									Activiti	es		
Γree #	Botanical Name	Common Name	Size DBH (in)	Critical Root Zone (CRZ) Radius (ft)	Species Rating (%)	Condition (%)	CRZ Disturbed (%)	Offsite or Shared	Removal	Tree Protection Fence	Root Prune	Root Padding	Hand Removal/ Selective Removal	Notes
101	Quercus rubra	Northern red oak	24"	Schitter- I	5A # MA	4-5385A 63%	#(20-)49)	11/23/20)20 				
102	Dead	Dead	16"	0'	0%	0%								
103	Dead	Dead	12"	0'	0%	0%								
104	Quercus rubra	Northern red oak	2"	8'	75%	66%								
105 106	Carya glabra Carya glabra	Pignut hickory Pignut hickory	3"	8' 8'	75% 75%	66% 69%								
107	Carya glabra	Pignut hickory	3"	8'	75%	69%								
108	Ailanthus altissima	Tree-of-heaven	4"	8'	25%	66%								
109	Carya glabra	Pignut hickory	6"	8'	75%	63%								
110	Prunus spp.	Ornamental Cherry	5"	8'	55%	63%								
111 112	Carya glabra Carya glabra	Pignut hickory Pignut hickory	6" 3"	8' 8'	75% 75%	63% 63%								
113	Ilex opaca	American holly	12"	12'	73%	63%								
114	Ilex opaca	American holly	12"	12'	73%	63%								
115	Magnolia grandiflora	Southern magnolia	6"	8'	70%	66%								
116	Ilex opaca	American holly	10"	10'	73%	63%								
117	Thuja occidentalis	Northern white-cedar	15"	15' 	60%	66% 63%								
118	Viburnum spp. Acer saccharum	Viburnum Sugar maple	8" 6"	8' 8'	60% 75%									
120	Acer saccharum	Sugar maple	4"	8'	75%									
121	Acer saccharinum	Silver maple	28"	28'	45%	63%								
122	Prunus spp.	Ornamental Cherry	4"	8'	55%									
123	Acer saccharinum	Silver maple	24"	24'	45%									
124 125	Ilex opaca Morus alba	American holly White mulberry	2" 8"	8' 8'	73% 30%	63% 63%								
126	Morus alba	White mulberry	9"	9'	30%	63%								
127	Ailanthus altissima	Tree-of-heaven	4"	8'	25%									
128	Quercus rubra	Northern red oak	18"	18'	75%	63%								
129	Acer rubrum	Red maple	5"	8'	70%	66%								
130 131	Dead Currence unaria laulandii	Dead	4" 4"	0' 8'	0% 60%	0% 66%								
132	Cupressocyparis leylandii Ailanthus altissima	Leyland cypress Tree-of-heaven	24"	 24'	25%	63%								
133	Dead	Dead	8"	0'	0%	0%								
134	Ailanthus altissima	Tree-of-heaven	20"	20'	25%	50%								
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136	Dead	Dead	6"	0'	0%	0%								
137 138	Dead Dead	Dead	12" 9"	O'	0%	0% 0%								
139	Quercus alba	White oak	40"	60'	88%	69%								
140	Morus alba	White mulberry	18"	18'	30%	63%								
141	Morus alba	White mulberry	24"	24'	30%	63%								
142	Ulmus spp.	Elm	5"	8'	60%									
143	Dead	Dead	5"	0'	0%	0%								
144 145	Ligustrum japonicum Ligustrum japonicum	Japanese privet Japanese privet	10" 10"	10' 10'	30%	66% 66%								
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155	Cercis canadensis	Eastern redbud	6"	8'	73%	66%								
156 157	Liriodedron tulipifera Acer rubrum	NONE Red maple	5" 26"	8' 26'	NONE	66% 66%								
157	Lagerstroemia indica	Crape Myrtle	4"	8'	78%	66%								
159	Ligustrum japonicum	Japanese privet	3"	8'	30%	66%								
160	Picea abies	Norway spruce	14"	14'	55%	66%								
161	Carya glabra	Pignut hickory	2"	8'	75%	66%								
162	Fagus grandifolia	American beech	10"	10'	80%	66%								
163 164	Tsuga canadensis Tsuga canadensis	Eastern hemlock Eastern hemlock	14" 14"	14' 14'	60%	63% 63%								
165	Tsuga canadensis	Eastern hemlock	16"	16'	60%	63%								
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167	Robinia pseudoacacia	Black locust	4"	8'	55%	66%								
168	Morus alba	White mulberry	24"	24'	30%	66%								
169	Cornus florida	Flowering dogwood	4"	8'	60%	63%								

Condition Ratings provided as percentages based on methods outlined in the 9th edition of the Guide for Plant Appraisal, published by the LS.A.

TREE INVENTORY

506 NORTH OVERLOOK DRIVE

3, BLOCK 23, SECTION 3 & LOT 13, BLOCK 29, SECTION 8

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LOT 3,

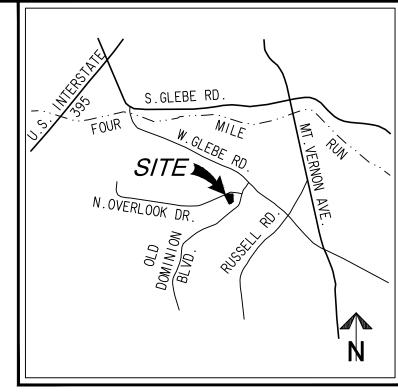
±200' TO OLD DOMINION BOULEVARD NORTH OVERLOOK DRIVE 50' WIDTH PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAY) N 6,991,888.2310 N81°19'11"E 117.54' E 11,890,561.1171 36.00 . S08°40'49"E BEVERLEY HILLS COMMUNITY BETHODIST CHURCH HISTR#110005513 30.00 PROPERTY LINE **LOT 501** HEREBY VACATED 11,478 SQ.FT. LOT 13 NORTH LOT 3 161.01 **LOT 500** 13,755 SQ.FT. LOT 14 BLOCK 29 SECTION 8 N 6,991,735.6118 E 11,890,586.4567 **AREA TABULATION** LOT 500 13,755 SQ.FT. OR 0.3158 ACRES LOT 501 II,478 SQ.FT. OR 0.2635 ACRES TOTAL 25.233 SQ.FT. OR 0.5793 ACRES 101 502 BEVERLEY HELS DB 467 PG 2I4 LOT SIZ APPROVED OWNER'S CERTIFICATE OWNER INFORMATION

BRIAN THOMAS

4150 LAWRENCE AVE.

ALEXANDRIA, VA 22304

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VICINITY MAP

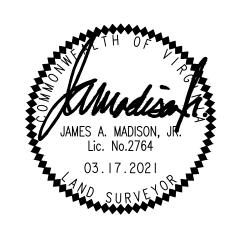
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NOTES:

- I. THE PROPERTY SHOWN HEREON IS DESIGNATED BY THE CITY OF ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA. AS MAP-BLOCK-LOT NUMBER 006.04-04-14 AND IS ZONED R8.
- 2. THIS PROPERTY IS SUBJECT TO ALL DEDICATIONS, EASEMENTS, AGREEMENTS, COVENANTS AND RESTRICTIONS EXISTING IN THE CHAIN OF TITLE UNLESS OTHERWISE SHOWN HEREON.
- 3. THIS PLAT IS BASED ON THE BOUNDARY SURVEY PERFORMED BY THIS FIRM IN AUGUST, 2020.
- 4. THE SITE SHOWN HEREON IS REFERENCED TO THE VIRGINIA COORDINATE SYSTEM OF 1983. THE COMBINED FACTOR APPLIED TO THE FIELD DISTANCES TO DERIVE THE REFERENCED COORDINATES IS 0.99995809. THE FOOT DEFINITION USED IN THE PERFORMANCE OF THIS SURVEY IS THE U.S. SURVEY FOOT.
- 5. THERE ARE NO RESOURCE PROTECTION AREAS OR FLOODPLAINS LOCATED ON THESE PROPERTIES.
- 6. THE FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY'S FLOOD INSURANCE RATE MAP FOR THE CITY OF ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA, MAP NUMBER 5155190029E, REVISED DATE JUNE 16, 2011, DESIGNATES THE PROPERTY AS BEING IN ZONE X, "AREAS DETERMINED TO BE OUTSIDE THE 0.2% ANNUAL CHANCE FLOODPLAIN."

ALEXANDRIA ZONING ORDINANCE: SECTION 11-1714

... AN APPROVED COPY OF THE PLAT SHALL BE RECORDED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE CITY WITHIN 18 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF APPROVAL ... " THIS PLAT SHALL BE NULL AND VOID IF NOT RECORDED PRIOR TO



SURVEYOR'S CERTIFICATE

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT: I HAVE CAREFULLY SURVEYED THE PROPERTY DELINEATED ON THIS PLAT AND THAT IT IS CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF; THAT THIS IS A SUBDIVISION OF THE LAND CONVEYED TO BRIAN THOMAS AS RECORDED IN INSTRUMENT NUMBER 210005249; AND THAT ALL REQUIRED MONUMENTS HAVE BEEN INSTALLED WHERE INDICATED, EXCEPT THOSE THAT WILL BE INSTALLED AT A LATER DATE BUT BEFORE THE COMPLETION OF THE PROJECT

I FURTHER CERTIFY THAT THE BEARINGS SHOWN REFER TO VIRGINIA STATE GRID NORTH: VCS 1983 - NORTH ZONE.

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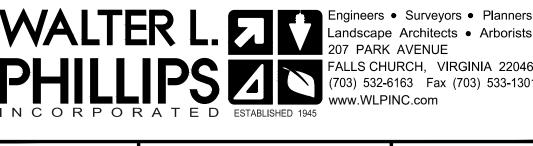
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BRIAN THOMAS' BEVERLY HILLS BEING THE RESUBDIVISION OF

LOT3. BLOCK 23. SECTION 3. BEVERLY HILLS DEED BOOK 144 PAGE 107; DEED BOOK 166 PAGE 88

AND LOT 13, BLOCK 29, SECTION 8, BEVERLY HILLS DEED BOOK 170 PAGE 360

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VIRGINIA LAND SURVEYOR.

BY: BRIAN THOMAS

NAME:

THE PLATTING OR DEDICATION OF THE PROPERTY SHOWN ON THIS PLAT IS WITH THE FREE CONSENT

IF ANY. IT IS FURTHER AGREED THAT IRON PIPE WILL BE SET AT ALL PROPERTY CORNERS AS

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AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE DESIRE OF THE UNDERSIGNED OWNERS, PROPRIETORS, AND TRUSTEES,

DATE

SPECIAL USE PERMIT NO.

DIRECTOR

DIRECTOR

CHAIRMAN, PLANNING COMMISSION

SITE PLAN No. __

DATE RECORDED

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION & ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

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[EXTERNAL] proposal to divide 506 N Overlook

David Shewchuk <dmshewchuk@gmail.com>

Mon 2/22/2021 3:02 PM

To: PlanComm < PlanComm@alexandriava.gov>

Good afternoon -

I live at 609 N Overlook Drive, and write to you regarding Docket Item #11 on your March 2 Planning Commission calendar, regarding the proposed subdivision of 506 N Overlook Dr.

I SUPPORT the property owner's request. The lots would be consistent with the character of our neighborhood, and I generally favor a property owner's ability to do as they wish with their property.

I am aware of a petition currently circulating asking the Commission to delay, deny, or otherwise frustrate the owner's request in the interest of preserving a link to city history. This seems to me a poor reason to use the force of bureaucracy to interfere with an individual's property. If the signers were concerned with the fate of the parcel, there are plenty of free and fair solutions (such as forming a collective trust to acquire the lot) available to them - instead, they seek to use the power of government to advance their personal interests at the expense of the property owner, which I cannot support.

Consistent with your staff's recommendation, please vote in favor of the owner's request.

Thank you,

David Shewchuk 609 N Overlook Dr Alexandria, VA 22305

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RE: 506 N Overlook subdivision

Williams, Zachary G. <ZGWilliams@Venable.com>

Wed 2/24/2021 4:09 PM

To: Sam Shelby <sam.shelby@alexandriava.gov>

Cc: Patrick Silva <Patrick.Silva@alexandriava.gov>; Ikharo, Maura L. <MLIkharo@Venable.com>

Sam and Patrick:

We would like to defer the public hearing on our application scheduled for next week. Please let me know our options for deferral. I appreciate your assistance with this.

Thank you,

Zach

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[EXTERNAL]North Ridge Citizens' Association comments on Proposed Subdivision #2020-00009

Charles Kent <chuckent@comcast.net>

Wed 2/24/2021 10:06 PM

To: Karl Moritz < Karl. Moritz@alexandriava.gov>

Cc: Sam Shelby <sam.shelby@alexandriava.gov>; Ann Horowitz <ann.horowitz@alexandriava.gov>; Justin Wilson <justin.wilson@alexandriava.gov>; Elizabeth Bennett-Parker <elizabeth.bennettparker@alexandriava.gov>; John Chapman <john.taylor.chapman@alexandriava.gov>; Garrett Fesler <Garrett.Fesler@alexandriava.gov>; Gretchen Bulova

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<PlanComm@alexandriava.gov>



NRCA letter to Karl Moritz on 506 N Overlook - 23 Feb FINAL.pdf; Appendix to NRCA Letter.docx; Petition - 506 N Overlook Dr 02242021.pdf;

Dear Mr. Moritz,

We have just learned that the applicant for Subdivision #2020-00009 at 506 N. Overlook Drive has requested a deferral. We hope that this delay will allow for a constructive conversation between the owner and the community. We are reaching out to him for that purpose.

We are transmitting this letter expressing our concerns, realizing that though some elements of the proposal may change, the historical information we have found and the points that we raise are relevant going forward.

Thank you and your staff for your attention to this matter.

Best regards,

Chuck Kent President, NRCA

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February 24, 2021

Karl Moritz, Director Office of Planning and Zoning City of Alexandria, Virginia

Subject: Proposed Subdivision #2020-00009 at 506 North Overlook Drive

Dear Mr. Moritz:

The North Ridge Citizens' Association (NRCA) has been looking into the history of the property at 506 North Overlook Drive and the proposal to resubdivide the lots. For the reasons provided below, we believe Planning and Zoning should reconsider its conclusion that historical oversight is not needed and its recommendation that the Planning Commission approve the subdivision.

The property at 506 North Overlook Drive has historical significance

The historical record of 506 North Overlook should be fully investigated before the property is disturbed. The existing house, known in the North Ridge community as "The Civil War House," has long been celebrated as a unique and important symbol of the neighborhood's history. It has been featured as a historic property on the NRCA website for many years. It is also featured in both the 1981 and 2000 editions of "North Ridge Lore," a publication documenting the history and the best-known narratives about our neighborhood.

Your report states that, "No archaeological oversight will be necessary for this subdivision." We challenge that interpretation. While there are conflicting records as to the precise date this house was built—property records say 1850, others say 1840, 1878 and 1894—the owner and his family are listed in our neighborhood in the U.S. Census of 1870 and 1880. Thus, the house appears to be well over 100 years old. Moreover, the property is listed in the 1992 Small Area Plan for Historic Preservation in North Ridge as the first of 37 properties designated as being a "Documented Historic Site." This designation alone should trigger further investigation into the history of the house.

The 1992 document shows 506 N. Overlook Drive (1878) under the name of H. Fractious estate (1894). That refers to Hampshire Fractious, a free African-American man who owned this and other properties in Alexandria shortly after the Civil War and who appears to have been one the highest African-American taxpayers in the City. In an appendix to this letter, we offer a host of supporting documentation that should invoke further research and evaluation by the City's historic preservation experts.

As the 1992 Small Area Plan for Historic Preservation states, "The unique identity of any locality derives from its geographical setting, its early development pattern, its familiar architecture and settings and its people, all

of which combine to provide a city with its special sense of place. The preservation and conservation of early buildings, streetscapes, vistas, landscapes and neighborhoods serves to maintain and enhance the unique character of a city...." We fear that, project by project, the unique character of Alexandria is being lost.

This is not just a subdivision request.

The applicant asserts that this request is solely to re-subdivide two existing lots into two lots of more equal size, proposed as Lots 500 and 501. According to the application, "The demolition of the existing dwelling is not the subject of this subdivision request." Yet, at the same time, the applicant acknowledges his intent "to demolish the existing dwelling and construct a single-family dwelling on each new lot."

The proposed subdivision is inconsistent with the requirements of Section 11-411 of the zoning code pertaining to Historic and Archaeological Preservation which provides that "A preliminary site plan which includes land designated as a potential resource area on the City of Alexandria Archaeological Resource Map must require, as part of preliminary site plan, reasonable archaeological evaluation reports and resource management plans." This section applies to all applications for preliminary or combined site plan or other development approval (emphasis added) subject to 11-411.

If the City allows the subdivision and demolition, any required evaluation reports and resource management plans that are part of a site plan will be too late to save this historic structure. At a minimum, the proposed demolition is a "ground-disturbing activity" that qualifies for an archaeological evaluation report prior to any action by the owner/applicant.

In addition, we respectfully disagree with conclusions in the Lot Analysis (Staff Report pp. 9-10). First, the Lot Analysis incorrectly states the requirements of Section 11-1710(B). While the Analysis states that that Section requires that subdivided lots "shall be of substantially the same character as to suitability for residential use and structures, lot areas, orientation, street frontage, alignment to streets and restrictions as other land in the subdivision, particularly with respect to similarly situated lots within the adjoining portions of the original subdivision," that is only part of the relevant test. The critical omitted language requires more—it requires that "No lot shall be resubdivided in such a manner as to detract from the value of adjacent property." The Lot Analysis fails to address this requirement; as a result, the Staff Report and recommendations therein are fatally flawed.

The Lot Analysis ignores the fact the subject property and the existing historical structure thereon are a significant part of the existing character of neighboring properties. The planned subdivision and demolition would change the character of the neighborhood permanently. Section 11-1710 (C) requires that "The plat shall conform as near as possible to the master plan and its amendments, a copy of which is on file in the office of the director." We refer you again to the 1992 Master Plan for Historic Preservation which lists this property as a Documented Historic Site.

Finally, we note that the topography, including the step gradient downhill towards the adjoining preschool property, are not addressed in the Staff Report. These and other safety concerns need to be evaluated under Section 11-1710(B) as part of the "suitability for residential use," and under Section 11-1708(A)(2), which requires that "The subdivision will not adversely affect the public health, safety and welfare."

The tree canopy is also significant

In addition to the historic significance of the property to North Ridge, we would reinforce the points in your report about the importance of these lots to the tree canopy of North Ridge. The loss of mature trees on this

property due to demolition and construction would be measurable. Just as approval of the subdivision would be a death knell for the historic house, it also would largely destroy the trees since two houses would be constructed on the property leaving little likelihood of saving them. This request should be reviewed by the City Arborist.

Petition from the adjacent neighbors

One hundred and four (104) neighbors on the streets surrounding 506 N. Overlook Drive have signed a petition to the Planning Commission requesting deferral of the subdivision request and asking for further research and evaluation on the history of this property and its significance to Alexandria's heritage before the house or property is disturbed. That petition is submitted as an attachment to this letter.

Requested actions

For the reasons cited above, which are supported by the factual evidence presented in the appendix to this letter, we request the following actions:

- The Office of Planning and Zoning should modify the staff report to recognize the unique historical attributes of this house and recommend a full historical and archeological assessment of the property, as well as a review by the City Arborist;
- The applicant should be required to enter into discussions with the Office of Historic Alexandria to arrange for the appropriate evaluation reports and resource management plans;
- The Planning Commission should defer any action on the applicant's request, including subdivision, until the historical significance of this property has been properly assessed and the community is afforded an opportunity to explore more appropriate uses for this important part of Alexandria's heritage.

Sincerely

Chuck Kent

President, NRCA

Cc: Alexandria Planning Commission

Mayor Justin Wilson

Vice Mayor Elizabeth Bennett-Parker

Councilman John Chapman

Garrett Fesler, City Archeologist

Gretchen Bulova, Office of Historic Alexandria

Ann Horowitz, Office of Planning and Zoning

Sam Shelby, Office of Planning and Zoning

Zachary Williams, Attorney

Appendix

Appendix to NRCA Letter of February 23, 2021

available for viewing in a shared Dropbox Folder at the following link: https://www.dropbox.com/sh/u0k1l3ohwnz0un6/AAB8Y693s0xFjT_7lUsdk3TWa?dl=0

1. Petitions

- a. Original petition signed by 104 Neighbors of 506 N. Overlook Drive (with original signatures and addresses)
- b. Online petition to Planning Commission and Mayor (with 820 signatures as of 6:30 pm Feb 24)
 - i. List of signatures on the online petition to further study the history of the building
 - ii. Comments submitted to the online petition
- 2. Information on the History of 506 N. Overlook Drive
 - a. Pictures of the house in 2021
 - i. East Side
 - ii. West Side
 - b. Picture of the house in 1999 (as used on the NRCA website history page)
 - c. Historical maps of the area from 1878 to 1945
 - d. The 1900 map of Alexandria County for Virginia Title Co. redrawn for the 1981 North Ridge Lore on page 37 shows Hampshire Fractious owning a parcel of land in the approximate vicinity of the location of 506 N. Overlook.
 - e. House listed as number 1 of 37 "Documented Historic Site(s)" on Page 61 of the North Ridge Small Area Plan for Historic Preservation of 1992. It shows 506 Overlook Drive (1878) under the name of H. Fractious Est. (1894), https://www.alexandriava.gov/uploadedFiles/planning/info/masterplan_historic_preservation.pdf
 - f. Archaeology Preservation Code section 3413 (in 1989 amendments to Section 5-5-1 of City Code) on page 29 shows the house as having been owned by Hampshire Fractious, a free African-American
 - g. A 1962 article, "The Map of Arlington in 1878- Places and People" by C. B. Rose, Jr. also shows the name "H. Fractious" in a location approximate to the location of 506 N. Overlook Dr. The map in question is the 1878 "Map of Alexandria (Arlington) County VA, reproduced from the "Atlas of Fifteen Miles Around Washington Including the Counties of Fairfax and Alexandria, Virginia."
 - h. What makes Alexandria Alexandria? Language from the Master Plan for Historic Preservation of 1992.
 - i. Excerpts on 506 N. Overlook Drive from "North Ridge Lore," by North Ridge Citizens' Association, 1981

- j. Excerpts on 506 N. Overlook Drive from "North Ridge Lore Revisited," by North Ridge Citizens' Association, 2000.
- 3. Information on Hampshire Fractious, owner from 1876-1894?
 - a. <u>Taxes</u>: He paid \$2,100 in real estate taxes on a house he owned on Queen St. in 1865. (Source: Website of The Friends of Freemen's Cemetery, "*Alexandria Real and Personal Property Taxes Paid by African Americans, 1865*".) This amount is the second highest amount listed in this record of 37 pages of names.
 - b. <u>Caring for an Invalid Mother</u>: In 1867 a list of blind Freedmen the Alexandria Superintendent of the Freedmen's Bureau, included Page Fractious, a 90-year-old blind woman who lived at corner of West and Cameron St, whose condition was "very feeble" and "helpless" and "under charge and support of son, whose name is Hampshire Fractious".
 - c. <u>Legal</u>: In 1868 there was court ruling reported in the Alexandria Gazette of September 17th in which "Dr. Davis, colored, for swindling a colored man named Hampshire Fractious, out of a watch, was discharged, his identity with the swindler not being established."
 - d. <u>Census</u>: Hampshire Fractious and family in US Census from 1870, Year: 1870;
 Census Place: Jefferson, Alexandria (Independent City), Virginia; Roll:
 M593_1632; Page: 206A; Family History Library Film: 553131
 - e. <u>Taxes</u>: In 1872 there was a public listing in the June 6th Alexandria Gazette of the auction/sale of numerous properties for the non-payment of taxes. On that list was Hampshire Fractious, and the property for sale was at the corner of West and Cameron.
 - f. Purchase of Property: Deed recorded June 18, 1878 regarding sale at auction of 12 acres of land previously part of Roach's Mill, sold for \$22/acre totaling \$264 paid by Hampshire Fractious to S. Ferguson Beach, commissioner of sale. There is no mention of a structure on the property in this deed. (Reference to a Plat and Survey by Thomas N. Carter done April, 26, 1869.)
 - g. <u>Map of Arlington</u> in 1878 taken from the *Atlas of Fifteen Miles Around Washington Including the Counties of Fairfax and Alexandria, Virginia*, compiled by G.M. Hopkins, published in Philadelphia, 1879 Hampshire Fractious and his daughter Sylvia are mentioned on page 28 in the article "The Map of Arlington in 1878- Places and People" by C. B. Rose, Jr.
 - h. <u>Census</u>: Hampshire Fractious and family in US Census from 1880, Year: 1880; Census Place: Jefferson, Alexandria (Independent City), Virginia; Roll: 1351; Page: 438C; Enumeration District: 007.
 - i. The Black History Museum of the Office of Historic Alexandria may have additional information on Mr. Fractious given the above history that might contribute to the historical importance of the property/structure at 506 N. Overlook Dr.

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