

6 Church Street, Gardiner, Maine 04345 Phone (207) 582-4200

# Site Plan Review Application

Project Name: Gardiner Green

Project Cost: \$3,65M

Date of Submission: February 10, 2022 Received by: Fees: \$250

A complete written description of the proposed project including all other local, state and federal permits required for the project.

#### Phase 1

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| Anticipated beginning/completion dates of construction: June 2022/September 2023   |  |  |  |  |
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| Design Professional(s)/Contractor(s): 🛛 Surveyor 🖾 Engineer 🖾 Architect Contractor |  |  |  |  |

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| Address: 2 Marlborough St, Newport. RI 02840  |  |
| Phone/Fax No 401-855-2947   |  |
| Surveyor:   |  |
| Name: Dirigo Surveying (c/o Shawn Tyler)  |  |
| Address: 165 South Road, Winthrop, Maine 04330  |  |
| Phone/Fax No: 207-923-3443  |  |
| Signature: Date: February 10, 2022  |  |
| 2. <u>Property Information</u> :  |  |
| Property Location: 150 Dresden Avenue   |  |
| Deed Ref: Book 14210         Page 170         City Tax Map(s)         32         Lot(s)         23 & 23 A |  |
| Property Size/Frontage: Acres 5.43 Sq. Ft. 236,531 Road 245' Shore N/A                                    |  |
| Zoning District(s): High Density Residential (HDR)  |  |

### 3. **Development Information**:

One or more site maps drawn to scale, prepared and sealed by a professional engineer or architect showing the following:

**a**.) The existing conditions on the property including:

- 1. The property boundaries; <u>The property boundaries are shown on the Boundary Survey by Dirigo Surveying.</u>
- 2. The zoning district and zoning district boundaries if the property is located in more than one zone; <u>The parcel is within the High Density Residential (HDR) District.</u>

- 3. The location of required setbacks, buffers and other restrictions: <u>The setbacks and buffers can be found on the Phase I Site Plan (C-1.1).</u>
- 4. The location of any easements or rights-of-way; <u>There is a right of way along the south property line that allows access to Maine General's</u> <u>Rehabilitation and Long Term Care Alzheimer's Center as shown on the Boundary Survey by Dirigo</u> <u>Surveying. A sewer easement extends from Dresden Avenue in a west-east direction for the City of</u> <u>Gardiner.</u>
- 5. The locations of existing structures and other existing improvements on the property including a description of the current use of the property; <u>The existing structures are shown on the Boundary Survey. The site was formerly used by Maine General, but has been vacant for years.</u>
- The locations of existing utilities on and adjacent to the property including sewers, water mains, stormwater facilities, gas mains, and electric and other telecommunication facilities;
   <u>All utilities can be found on the Topographic Survey Plan.</u>
- 7. The location of the nearest source of a fire protection water supply (hydrant, fire pond, etc.) <u>The nearest fire hydrant is on the west side of Dresden Avenue.</u>
- 8. The general topography of the property indicating the general slope of the land and drainage patterns. The CEO and/or Planning Board may require a topographic survey of all or a portion of the property for projects involving the construction of new or expanded structures or site modifications. A topographic survey is included with this submission.
- 9. The location, type and extent of any natural resources on the property including wetlands, vernal pools, floodplains, waterbodies, significant wildlife habitats, rare or endangered plants or animals, or similar resources; and <u>There is a stream along the north side of the property with some associated wetlands, but none of these will be impacted as a result of the project. A Firmette is included indicating that the project is not within the flood zone.</u>
- 10. The location and type of any identified historic or archeological resource on the property. <u>The majority of the site is comprised of buildings and asphalt. There will not be any construction</u> <u>outside of these areas in Phase I and therefore this section is not applicable.</u>

b.) The proposed development activity for which approval is requested including:

- The estimated demand for water supply and sewage disposal together with the proposed location and provisions for water supply and wastewater disposal including evidence of soil suitability if on-site sewage disposal is proposed;
   <u>A letter has been received from Paul Gray of the Gardiner Water District indicating that the District has sufficient water capacity for the proposed project.</u>
- 2. The direction of proposed surface water drainage across the site and from the site together with the proposed location of all stormwater facilities and evidence of their adequacy; <u>The stormwater facilities will for the most part remain unchanged. There will however be a</u> <u>reduction in impervious area of 4,665 sf for Phase I and therefore a reduction is peak hour flows for</u> <u>the project. All stormwater facilities are shown on the attached plans.</u>
- The location, dimensions, and ground floor elevations of all proposed buildings and structures including expansions or modifications to existing buildings that change the footprint of the building; <u>These elements can be found on the site plan (C-1.1).</u>
- The location, dimensions and materials to be used in the construction of drives, parking areas, sidewalks and similar facilities;
   <u>These elements can be found on the site plan (C-1.1) and site detail sheets.</u>

- 5. The proposed flow of vehicular and pedestrian traffic into and through the property; <u>Vehicles can come into the site from two different curb cuts off Dresden Avenue and with 103</u> <u>parking spaces available there is ample parking spaces to choose from.</u>
- 6. The location and details for any signs proposed to be install or altered; <u>There will be signage on the building as shown on the Rendering and a new free-standing sign</u> <u>complying with the LUO will be erected along Dresden Avenue. Details of the sign will be submitted</u> to the CEO when applying for the sign permit.
- 7. The location and details for any exterior lighting proposed to be installed or altered; <u>The proposed exterior lights are shown on Sheet L01 for the complete buildout. There are three new</u> <u>pole mounted lights (15' high) along the west side of the building to add light for the proposed</u> <u>parking lot. All lights are dark-sky and comply with the LUO in regard to foot candles at the</u> <u>property lines.</u>
- 8. Provisions for landscaping and buffering; and All Buffering is shown on the site plan (C-1.1).
- Any other information necessary to demonstrate compliance with the review criteria or other standards of the Land Use Ordinance.
   There isn't any additional information at this time.
- c.) Evidence that the applicant has or can obtain all required permits necessary for the proposal.
   <u>ES Coffin Engineering will obtain all pertinent permits needed. There do not appear to be any DEP permits required with this project.</u>

### Additional Information Required:

Building and structure drawings showing the footprint, height, front, side and rear profiles and all design features necessary to show compliance with this Ordinance;

Architectural drawings are included depicting the floor plans and building elevations.

An estimate of the peak hour and average daily traffic to be generated by the project and evidence that the additional traffic can be safely accommodated on the adjacent streets;

A traffic report has been included from Sewall Company indicating that the project will result in a reduction in peak hour trips when compared to the former use.

An erosion and sedimentation control plan; and The erosion & sedimentation control plan is shown on Sheet C-2.

A stormwater management plan demonstrating how any increased runoff from the site will be handled if the project requires a stormwater permit from the Maine Department of Environmental Protection or if the Planning Board determines that such information is necessary based on the scale of the project and the existing conditions in the vicinity of the project.

There will be a reduction in impervious area of 4,665 sf for Phase I and therefore a reduction is peak hour flows for the project. A stormwater permit is not required for this project.

Elevation drawings prepared by a professional engineer or architect showing the façade and roof of the side of all proposed structures facing the road, and the side facing the customer entrance. The drawings shall clearly illustrate the profile of the roof. All façade and roof materials shall be identified including color and texture. **Floor plans and building elevations are included in the planning board submission.** 

Photographs or similar photo representations or drawings showing the architectural design and context of the proposed structures and adjacent properties on the both sides of the road. Photographs are included in the Photo Log that show the existing building being renovated.

#### **Survey Requirements**

The Planning Board may require the applicant to submit a survey of the perimeter of the tract, giving complete descriptive data by bearing and distances, made and certified by a Registered Land Surveyor. The survey may be required for the construction of new structures or any construction proposed on a undeveloped parcel or tract of land, whenever the Planning Board finds that a survey is necessary to show compliance with the requirements of this Ordinance due to the size of the lot, location of the lot or the placement of existing or proposed structures on the lot or neighboring properties.

Boundary and topographic survey plans are included with this submission.

#### **Additional Studies**

The Planning Board may require the applicant to perform additional studies or may hire a consultant to review the application or portions thereof. The cost to perform additional studies or hire a consultant shall be borne by the applicant.

### 4. Review Criteria

An applicant shall demonstrate that the proposed use or uses meet the review criteria listed below for the type of application. The Planning Board shall approve an application unless one or the other of them makes a written finding that one or more of the following criteria have not been met.

6.5.1.1 The application is complete and the review fee has been paid. The application is complete and the Site Plan Review fee of \$250.00 has been submitted.

**6.5.1.2** The proposal conforms to all the applicable provisions of this Ordinance. **The project conforms to all applicable provisions of the LUO.** 

**6.5.1.3** The proposed activity will not result in water pollution, erosion or sedimentation to water bodies. The application contains all pertinent erosion and sediment control devices needed for the project.

6.5.1.4 The proposal will provide for the adequate disposal of all wastewater and solid waste. <u>A letter has been received from Doug Clark (Wastewater Department) indicating that there is sufficient</u> <u>capacity available for the proposed project. The site plan depicts a dumpster area to be installed during</u> <u>Phase I. A letter has been sent to Jerry Douglas, Public Works Director asking if there is sufficient capacity</u> <u>available for the project.</u>

**6.5.1.5** The proposal will not have an adverse impact upon wildlife habitat, unique natural areas, shoreline access or visual quality, scenic areas and archeological and historic resources.

The majority of the site is comprised of buildings and asphalt. There will not be any construction outside of these areas in Phase I and therefore this section is not applicable.

6.5.1.6 The proposal will not have an adverse impact upon waterbodies and wetlands.

There is a stream along the north side of the property with some associated wetlands, but none of these will be impacted as a result of the project.

6.5.1.7 The proposal will provide for adequate storm water management.

With a decrease in impervious area there cannot be an increase in stormwater runoff associated with the project. A letter is included in this submission addressing stormwater. All pertinent erosion control devices are depicted in the set of plans.

6.5.1.8 The proposal will conform to all applicable Shoreland Zoning requirements. **The project is not within Shoreland Zoning and this section is not applicable.** 

**6.5.1.9** The proposal will conform to all applicable Floodplain Management requirements. **The project is not within the 100-year flood elevation and this section is not applicable.** 

6.5.1.10 The proposal will have sufficient water available to meet the needs of the development. <u>A letter has been received from Paul Gray of the Gardiner Water District indicating that the District has</u> <u>sufficient water capacity for the proposed project.</u>

6.5.1.11 The proposal will not adversely affect groundwater quality or quantity.

The project will connect to public water and sewer. There are no other contaminants on site that will adversely affect groundwater quality or quantity.

6.5.1.12 The proposal will provide for safe and adequate vehicle and pedestrian circulation in the development. <u>There are 103 parking spaces available for Phase I and only 68 spaces required.</u> Vehicles can safely maneuver on site and sidewalks have been added for pedestrians. **6.5.1.13** The proposal will not result in a reduction of the quality of any municipal service due to an inability to serve the needs of the development.

<u>A letter has been sent to Jerry Douglass (Public Works Director) asking if the project will have a negative impact to the public works department.</u>

6.5.1.14 The applicant has the adequate financial and technical capacity to meet the provisions of this Ordinance. E.S. Coffin Engineering & Surveying has the technical ability to complete the project. The applicant has included a financial letter indicating that they have adequate financing to complete the project.

#### 6.5.2 Site Plan Review Criteria

All applications for Site Plan Review shall meet the Review Criteria contained in 6.5.1 and the additional criteria contained in this section.

**6.5.2.1.** The proposal will be sensitive to the character of the site, neighborhood and the district in which it is located including conformance to any zoning district specific design standards;

This is already a site that is not at all in harmony with the neighborhood. It is contains a large amount of asphalt and 1970s Soviet-style buildings that no one would consider attractive comprising 42% of the site. There is little landscaping and almost no buffering. The goal is to beautify the site and buildings so that they become an asset to the neighborhood. The proposed use is much less intensive than what has existed on the site up until now. Under the previous hospital use last year the GFM Building alone generated 150 staff and patient visits (and 300 car trips) per day. Also on site was the Visiting Nurse Office (55 employees) the AIDS Clinic (6 employees and many patients) the Print Shop (5 employees and substantial truck traffic) and the X-Ray Clinic (8 employees).

The revamped and repurposed site will be more attractive and quieter that will result in a substantial decrease in traffic as shown in the traffic report by Sewall. There will be a reduction in impervious area of 4,665 sf.

6.5.2.2 The proposal will not have an adverse impact upon neighboring properties;

The project will not have an adverse impact on neighboring properties. This site has been a blight in the neighborhood and with the proposed landscaping it should create a much more attractive area. Dust will be controlled during construction by using water or calcium.

**6.5.2.3** The proposal contains landscaping, buffering, and screening elements which provide privacy to adjacent land uses in accordance with the appropriate performance standards;

The project is required to implement a 25' wide buffer along the side, rear and front property lines whenever the development abuts residential properties.

For this project we are proposing a total of 12 canopy trees, 46 understory trees and 82 deciduous shrubs, which will be a huge upgrade to what is available on site today.

**6.5.2.4** The building site and roadway design will harmonize with the existing topography and conserve natural surroundings and vegetation to the greatest practical extent such that filling, excavation and earth moving is kept to a minimum;

The existing building is being renovated with a new entrance off Dresden Avenue that will provide handicap access into the building. There will be some fill added in this area to comply with ADA standards.

**6.5.2.5** The proposal will reflect the natural capabilities of the site to support the development. Buildings, structures, and other features should be located in the areas of the site most suitable for development. Environmentally sensitive areas including waterbodies, steep slopes, floodplains, wetlands, significant plant and wildlife habitats, scenic areas, aquifers and archeological and historic resources shall be preserved to the maximum extent;

There is 56,000 sf of wooded land as open space being designated along the northeast side of the property. 56,000 sf of which will be left undisturbed in perpetuity with the exception of a maintained walking trail. This 56,000 sf set aside is depicted on the site plan. There will be extensive landscaping and buffering installed in Phase I that will add greenery to the site. **6.5.2.6** The proposal will provide for a system of pedestrian ways within the site appropriate to the development and the surrounding area. The system will connect building entrances/exits with the parking areas and with existing sidewalks, if they exist or are planned in the vicinity of the project;

There will be a new parking lot and sidewalk installed with access to Dresden Avenue that will greatly improve pedestrian access on site.

**6.5.2.7** In urban and built–up areas, buildings will be placed closer to the road in conformance with setback requirements and parking areas shall be located at the side or rear of the building;

There is an addition being erected onto the existing building that is being renovated, but the addition will be no closer to Dresden Avenue then the existing building.

**6.5.2.8** Proposals with multiple buildings will be designed and placed to utilize common parking areas to the greatest practical extent;

While there are multiple buildings on site only one is being utilized during Phase I. There is adequate parking available for the proposed 34 residential units.

**6.5.2.9** Building entrances will be oriented to the public road unless the layout or grouping of the buildings justifies another approach.

The main building entrance faces Dresden Avenue.

**6.5.2.10** Exterior building walls greater than 50 feet in length which can be viewed from the public road will be designed with a combination of architectural features with a variety of building materials and shall include landscaping abutting the wall for at least 50% of the length of the wall.

<u>Changes proposed to the main hospital building replace an unfortunate cast block Soviet-style façade with a series of balconies, windows and cypress wood panels with concrete framing. The result will be highly aesthetic. Reference is made to the Building Renderings submitted as part of this package.</u>

**6.5.2.11** Building materials will match the character of those commonly found in the City and surrounding area including brick, wood, native stone, tinted/textured concrete block or glass products. Materials such as smooth-faced concrete block or concrete panels and steel panels will only be used as accent features. Materials shall be of low reflectance, subtle, neutral or earth tone colors. High-intensity and bright colors shall be prohibited except when used as trim or accent. Building materials for industrial or commercial buildings located within an approved industrial park or subdivision are not be required to comply with this provision.

Building materials are depicted on the architectural drawings.

**6.5.2.12** Building entrances and points where the development intersects with the public road and sidewalk will be provided with amenities appropriate for the area such as benches, bike racks, bus stop locations and other similar landscape features.

<u>The building entrance contains sidewalks that intersect onto Dresden Avenue.</u> benches and bike racks will be provided to make the setting attractive and comfortable for residents and visitors.

**6.5.2.13** A proposal which includes drive-through service will be designed to minimize impact on the neighborhood. Drive-through lanes will be fully screened from adjacent residential properties and communication systems will not be audible on adjacent properties.

There is no drive-through service associated with the project and this section is not applicable.

Applicant shall provide information that demonstrates that the proposal will be sensitive to the character of the site, neighborhood and the district in which it is located by considering the following:

In regard to the General Performance Standards in Section 8 of the LUO;

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In regard to Environmental Performance Standards in Section 9 of the LUO:

9.1 Air Quality:

Dust will be controlled during construction will be implemented by applying calcium and water as needed.

9.5.3 Construction Debris:

With regard to organic debris from any site clearing, it will be ground up and spread on the adjacent soil. Any debris that is not organic, such as asphalt, will be loaded into a dumpster and hauled off by a licensed contractor to a licensed facility.

### 6. Waivers

### Waiver of Submission Requirements

The Planning Board may, for good cause shown and only upon the written request of an applicant specifically stating the reasons therefor, waive any of the application requirements provided such waiver will not unduly restrict the review process. The Planning Board may condition such a waiver on the applicant's compliance with alternative requirements. Good cause may include the Planning Board's finding that particular submissions are inapplicable, unnecessary, or inappropriate for a complete review. Notwithstanding the waiver of a submission requirement, the Planning Board may, at any later point in the review process, rescind such waiver if it appears that the submission previously waived is necessary for an adequate review. A request for a submission previously waived shall not affect the pending status of an application.

A waiver for stormwater quantity is being asked for with this submission. A letter has been included indicating that there can't be an increase in stormwater runoff without an increase in impervious area,



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# Final Subdivision Plan Application

Subdivision Name: Gardiner Green

Date of Submission: 2-10-22 R

Received by:

Proposal:

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## Final Subdivision Plan submission requirements

- The final plan submissions shall consist of the following:
- A final plan application form and all required attachments and maps.
- All the submission materials required for a preliminary plan.
- A performance guarantee, if applicable.
- All additional studies and/or materials required by the Planning Board, as applicable.
- If the subdivision contains any private roads, a statement as follows: the subdivision roads are designed as private roads and are not eligible for acceptance by the City of Gardiner, unless the road is improved to meet the appropriate standards for road acceptance.
- Written copies of any documents of land dedication, and written evidence that the City Manager is satisfied with the legal sufficiency of any documents accomplishing such land dedication.
- Proof that all other applicable state and federal permits have been obtained.

## The Final Subdivision Plan

- The Final Subdivision Plan (map) shall contain the following:
- All conditions and modifications approved by the Planning Board for the preliminary plan.
- Any conditions required by the Planning Board for the final plan.
- Conditions or restrictions placed on the subdivision by the Applicant. (Note: Planning Board-imposed conditions shall be listed separately from any conditions or restrictions placed on the subdivision by the applicant).
- All waivers approved by the Planning Board.
- The location and type of all permanent markers set at all lot corners.
- Any variances granted by the Board of Appeals.
- A signature block.

Hathaway Holdings, LLC 10 Water St, Box 68 Waterville, ME 04901

February 10<sup>th</sup>, 2022

Mr. James Coffin, PE E.S. Coffin Engineering & Surveying, LLC. 432 Cony Road P.O. Box 4687 Augusta, Maine 04330

Subject: <u>Agent Authorization</u> <u>Planning Board Submissions</u>

Dear Mr. Coffin

The intent of this letter is to authorize E.S. Coffin Engineering & Surveying, Inc. to act as our agent in submitting applications and answering questions regarding the City of Gardiner Planning Board application as needed. The application are for our proposed Phase I 34-unit apartment building project located at 150 Dresden Avenue in Gardiner, Maine.

Sindere Paul Boghossian

Member, Hathaway Holdings, LLC

BK14210 PGS 170 - 173 10/13/2021 02:31:54 PM INSTR#: 2021029808 ATTEST: BEVERLY BUSTIN-HATHEWAY RECEIVED KENNEBEC SS REGISTER OF DEEDS eRecorded Document

## MAINE REAL ESTATE TRANSFER TAX PAID

## **QUITCLAIM DEED** DLN:1002140166846

MaineGeneral Medical Center, a nonprofit corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Maine having a place of business in Augusta, County of Kennebec and State of Maine, for consideration paid, releases to

Hathaway Holdings, LLC, a limited liability company organized and existing under the laws of the State of Maine having a place of business in Waterville, County of Kennebec, and State of Maine, with an address of 10 Water Street, Box 68, Waterville, ME 04901

a certain lot or parcel of land, together with any buildings and improvements thereon, situated in Gardiner, County of Kennebec, State of Maine, bounded and described as follows:

(SEE EXHIBIT A ATTACHED HERETO)

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Grantor has executed this instrument, under seal, this 8<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2021.

'itness

State of Maine County of Kennebec, ss. MaineGeneral Medical Center Paul Stein

Its: Chief Operating Officer

October 8, 2021

Then personally appeared the above-named Paul Stein, Chief Operating Officer of MaineGeneral Medical Center and acknowledged the foregoing to be his free act and deed in his said Capacity and the free act and deed of MaineGeneral Medical Center.

Before me,

Inela S. Bossonreault

Name: Pamela S. Boissonneault Notary Public Commission expires: January 24, 2023

### EXHIBIT "A"

A certain lot or parcel of land with buildings thereon situated in the City of Gardiner, County of Kennebec, State of Maine, being bounded and described as follows:

Beginning on the easterly sideline Dresden Avenue at the southwesterly corner of land now or formerly of RTM Gardiner, LLC (deed reference Book 10196, Page 106). Said corner being marked by a 1" iron pipe.

Thence North seventy-three degrees two minutes East (N 73° 02' E), along the southerly line of land of said RTM Gardiner, LLC, one hundred fifty and eighty-five hundredths (150.85) feet to a 1" iron pipe marking the southeasterly corner of land of said RTM Gardiner, LLC;

Thence North fourteen degrees forty-eight minutes West (N 14° 48' W), along the easterly line of land of said RTM Gardiner, LLC, one hundred forty-four and thirteen hundredths (144.13) feet to a 1" iron pipe;

Thence continuing North fourteen degrees forty-eight minutes West (N 14° 48' W), along the easterly line of land of said RTM Gardiner, LLC one hundred three and fifty-three hundredths (103.53) feet to an iron rod on the southerly line of land now or formerly of Gordon & Helen Stevens (deed reference Book 5350, Page 155);

Thence North seventy-three degrees fifteen minutes East (N 73° 15' E), along the southerly line of land of said Stevens, three hundred seventy-eight and zero hundredths (378.00), to an iron rod;

Thence South fifteen degrees twenty-one minutes East (S 15° 21' E), along the westerly line of land of said Stevens, one hundred three and forty-nine hundredths (103.49) feet to the northwesterly corner of a parcel recently or to be conveyed to this grantee by MaineGeneral Rehabilitation & Long Term Care;

Thence South five degrees thirty-four minutes West (S 5° 34' W), along the westerly line of said parcel recently or to be conveyed to this grantee, two hundred sixty-six and forty-nine hundredths (266.49) feet to an iron rod;

Thence continuing South five degrees thirty-four minutes West (S  $5^{\circ} 34^{\circ}$  W), along the westerly line of said parcel recently or to be conveyed to this grantee, one hundred forty and zero hundredths (140.00) feet;

Thence South fifty-six degrees forty-four minutes West (S 56° 44' W), along the northwesterly line of said parcel recently or to be conveyed to this grantee, ninety-three and fourteen hundredths (93.14) feet to an iron rod on the northerly line of land now or formerly of MaineGeneral Rehabilitation & Long Term Care (deed reference Book 13346, Page 169);

Thence South seventy-five degrees forty-six minutes West (S 75° 46' W), along the northerly line of said MaineGeneral Rehabilitation & Long Term Care, three hundred and zero hundredths (300.00) feet to an iron rod on the easterly sideline of Dresden Avenue;

Thence North fourteen degrees forty-four minutes West (N 14° 44' W) along the easterly sideline of Dresden Avenue, two hundred forty-four and eighty-seven hundredths (244.87) feet to the point of beginning.

Said parcel contains 4.52 acres.

The above described parcel benefits from a right of way and utility easement recently or to be conveyed to the grantee by MaineGeneral Rehabilitation & Long Term Care;

The above described parcel is subject to a sewer easement to the City of Gardiner (deed reference Book 656, Page 128)

All bearings refer to magnetic north as shown on a plan entitled "Boundary Survey of Proposed Land Division", dated October 10, 2019 and revised on August 25, 2021, prepared by Dirigo Surveying.

The above described parcel is subject to and benefited by all utility and drainage easements of record that may exist above or below grade.

Reference is made to a Boundary Survey for MaineGeneral Medical Center, 150, 152 & 154 Dresden Avenue, Gardiner, Maine, dated September 10, 2019 and revised August 25, 2021 by Dirigo Surveying, Plan No. 716, File No. G1904K.

Meaning and intending convey a portion of the land received by deed dated March 22, 1995 as recorded at said Registry of Deeds in Book 4869, Page 103 and deed dated May 14, 1984 as recorded at said Registry of Deeds in Book 2680, Page 269.

**Deed Restriction:** Hathaway Holdings, LLC agrees, for itself, its successors and assigns, that the Premises conveyed herein shall be subject to the following permanent restriction that shall run with the land. The Premises shall not be developed, operated or used, in whole or in part, for any of the following without the prior written consent of MaineGeneral Medical Center, its successors or assigns:

1. A healthcare facility defined as a hospital, psychiatric hospital, nursing facility, kidney disease treatment center including a freestanding hemodialysis facility, rehabilitation facility, ambulatory surgical facility, independent radiological service center, independent cardiac catheterization center, medical practice, imaging facility, infusion facility, telemedicine site, medical marijuana business or cancer treatment center.

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- 2. The provision of health services defined as clinically related services that are diagnostic, treatment, rehabilitative services or nursing services provided by a nursing facility and include alcohol abuse, drug abuse and mental health services.
- 3. Office space or treatment facilities for health care practitioners defined as physicians and all others certified, registered or licensed in the healing arts, including, but not limited to, nurses, podiatrists, optometrists, chiropractors, physical therapists, dentists, psychologists, physicians' assistants, nurse practitioners, and veterinarians.

In the event that MaineGeneral Medical Center remains in occupancy of any portion of the premises after delivery of this deed, it may continue to use the premises for any of the above. The foregoing restrictions shall not prohibit "telemedicine" services that may be provided as a benefit to tenants of residential dwellings that may after the Closing exist on the Premises.

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> MAINE REAL ESTATE **TRANSFER TAX PAID**

# OUITCLAIM DEED

# DLN:1002140166847

MaineGeneral Rehabilitation & Long Term Care a nonprofit corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Maine having a place of business in Augusta, County of Kennebec and State of Maine (the "Grantor"), for consideration paid, releases to

Hathaway Holdings, LLC, a limited liability company organized and existing under the laws of the State of Maine having a place of business in Waterville, County of Kennebec and State of Maine, with an address of 10 Water Street, Box 68, Waterville, ME 04901 (the "Grantee")

a certain lot or parcel of land, together with any buildings and improvements thereon, situated in Gardiner, County of Kennebec, State of Maine, bounded and described as follows:

(SEE EXHIBIT A ATTACHED HERETO)

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Grantor has executed this instrument, under seal, this 8<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2021.

State of Maine County of Kennebec, ss. MaineGeneral Rehabilitation & Long Term Ca

Paul Stein Its: Chief Executive Officer

October 8, 2021

Then personally appeared the above-named Paul Stein, Chief Executive Officer of MaineGeneral Rehabilitation & Long Term Care and acknowledged the foregoing to be his free act and deed in his said Capacity and the free act and deed of MaineGeneral Rehabilitation & Long Term Care.

Before me.

Panela S. Boronneaute

Name: Pamela S. Boissonneault **Notary Public** Commission expires: January 24, 2023

## EXHIBIT "A"

A certain lot or parcel of land with buildings thereon situated in the City of Gardiner, County of Kennebec, State of Maine, being bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at an iron rod located North seventy-five degrees forty-six minutes East (N 75° 46' E) as measured along the northerly line of land of this Grantor (deed reference Book 13346, Page 169), three hundred and zero hundredths (300.00) feet from an iron rod on the easterly sideline of Dresden Avenue;

Thence North sixty-four degrees thirty-four minutes East (N 64° 34' E), along the northwesterly line of land to be retained by this Grantor, ninety and eight hundredths (90.08) feet to an iron rod;

Thence North fifteen degrees twenty-two minutes East (N 15° 22' E), along the westerly line of land to be retained by said Grantor, ninety-nine and sixty-eight hundredths (99.68) feet to an iron rod;

Thence North two degrees twenty-eight minutes East (N 2° 28' E), continuing along the westerly line of land to be retained by said Grantor, two hundred sixty and zero hundredths (260.00) feet to an iron rod;

Thence South eighty-three degrees twenty-one minutes East (S 83° 21' E), along the northerly line of land to be retained by said Grantor, two hundred seventy-three and two hundredths (273.02) feet to the westerly line of land now or formerly of Donald Cameron & Lisa St. Hilaire (deed reference Book 11502, Page 21);

Thence North five degrees twenty-nine minutes East (N 5° 29' E), along the westerly line of land of said Cameron & St. Hilaire, one hundred eighty and zero hundredths (180.00) feet to an iron post on the southerly line of land now or formerly of Gordon & Helen Stevens (deed reference Book 5350, Page 155);

Thence South seventy-three degrees twenty-four minutes West (S 73° 24' W), along the southerly line of land of said Stevens, three hundred two and sixty-six hundredths (302.66) feet to the southwesterly corner of land of said Stevens;

Thence South five degrees thirty-four minutes West (S 5° 34' W), along the easterly line of a parcel conveyed to this Grantee by MaineGeneral Medical Center by deed of near or even date herewith to be recorded herewith (hereinafter referred to as "Grantee's Abutting Parcel"), two hundred sixty-six and forty-nine hundredths (266.49) feet to an iron rod;

Thence continuing South five degrees thirty-four minutes West (S 5° 34' W), along the easterly line of Grantee's Abutting Parcel, one hundred forty and zero hundredths (140.00) feet;

Thence South fifty-six degrees forty-four minutes West (S 56° 44' W), along the southeasterly line of Grantee's Abutting Parcel, ninety-three and fourteen hundredths (93.14) feet to the point of beginning.

Said parcel contains 0.90 acre.

The Grantor also conveys to the Grantee an easement (the "Easement") for a new right of way intended to correct the right of way previously conveyed in a deed dated September 24, 2019 as recorded at the Kennebec County Registry of Deeds in Book 13346, Page 169. The Easement is in common with the Grantor for all purposes of a right of way to benefit the above described parcel and Grantee's Abutting Parcel, and shall include, without limitation intended, the following and the right to convey these rights to others:

(1) the right of ingress and egress by foot and by vehicle of any sort whatever;

(2) the right to construct, maintain, repair, grade, excavate, fill, pave and improve the full width of the right of way;

(3) the right to install, construct, maintain, repair and replace within the right of way, both above and below ground, utility services to include, without limitation, facilities necessary or convenient for the transmission of electricity, gas, telephone communications, cable television, computer communications, sewerage, water and such similar services which are currently available or in the future may become available.

To the extent the foregoing grant of easement does not satisfy the requirements of a public utility for the installation, construction, maintenance and repair of such utility services, the owner of the land burdened by the Easement will execute and deliver the standard form of easement required by the public utility for such purpose relating to and encumbering the land burdened by the Easement.

The Easement is not limited to any current use of the property served by the Easement but shall serve any lawful purpose to which said property may be put in the future. The parcel burdened by the Easement is described as follows:

Beginning at an iron rod on the easterly sideline of Dresden Avenue at the northwesterly corner of land now or formerly of this Grantor (deed reference Book 13346, Page 169);

Thence North seventy-five degrees forty-six minutes East (N 75° 46' E) as measured along the northerly line of land of this Grantor (deed reference Book 13346, Page 169), three hundred and zero hundredths (300.00) feet from an iron rod on the easterly sideline of Dresden Avenue;

Thence North sixty-four degrees thirty-four minutes East (N 64° 34' E), along the northwesterly line of land to be retained by this Grantor, ninety and eight hundredths (90.08) feet to an iron road;

Thence South fourteen degrees fourteen minutes East (S 14° 14' E), sixty-seven and forty-nine hundredths (67.49) feet to the northerly line of other land of MaineGeneral Rehabilitation & Long Term Care (deed reference Book 13133, Page 198);

Thence South seventy-five degrees fifty minutes West (S 75° 50' W), along the northerly line of said other land of MaineGeneral Rehabilitation & Long Term Care, ninety-four and seventeen hundredths (94.17) feet to an iron rod;

Thence South seventy-five degrees forty-six minutes West (S 75° 46' W), continuing along the northerly line of said other land of MaineGeneral Rehabilitation & Long Term Care two hundred ninety-three and seventy-five hundredths (293.75) feet to the easterly sideline of Dresden Avenue;

Thence North fourteen degrees forty-four minutes West (N 14° 44' W), along the easterly sideline of Dresden Avenue, fifty and zero hundredths (50.00) feet to the point of beginning.

The area burdened by the Easement contains 20,162 square feet.

The above described parcel is subject to a sewer easement to the City of Gardiner (deed reference Book 656, Page 128)

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Research indicates that the parcel described above is a portion of parcels conveyed to the Grantor by the following deeds: Book 4360, Page 155 and Book 13346, Page 169.

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## **ROAD MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT**

This Road Maintenance Agreement (the "Agreement") is entered into by and between the undersigned parties.

## WITNESSETH

WHEREAS, Hathaway Holdings, LLC is the owner of the real estate located in Gardiner, Maine described in two deeds, one from MaineGeneral Medical Center, and the other from MaineGeneral Rehabilitation & Long Term Care, both to be recorded herewith in the Kennebec County Registry of Deeds; and

WHEREAS, MaineGeneral Rehabilitation & Long Term Care ("MGRLTC") is the owner of the real estate located in Gardiner Maine described in the deed recorded in said Registry in Book 13346, Page 169; and

WHEREAS, access for each of said parcels is over an existing private road owned by MGRLTC leading from Dresden Avenue to each said parcel ("Private Road"); and more particularly described in "Exhibit A" attached hereto; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary for the parties to agree for themselves, their heirs and assigns, to share in the maintenance and repair of the Private Road.

**NOW, THEREFORE,** in consideration of the mutual covenants and agreements contained herein, the parties hereby agree as follows:

- 1. The owners of all improved lots with access rights over the Private Road, now or hereafter created, shall share equally in the cost to repair and maintain the Private Road, including, but not limited to, the cost of paving, upkeep, plowing and sanding (each a "Repair"). "Maintain" for purposes of this agreement includes, but is not limited to, snowplowing, snow removal, sanding and ice control; grading and adding gravel and surface material; installing, cleaning and replacing culverts; creating and maintaining ditches, drains and other storm water management infrastructure; creating and maintaining sight distances on curves and at intersections; and cutting brush, trees and vegetation in the right-of-way. Each parcel owner's share of costs of any Repair shall be one-half (1/2) by one party and one-half (1/2) by the other party. MGRLTC shall have no obligation to perform Private Road Repair for any parking spaces or driveways of Hathaway Holdings, LLC.
- 2. Private Road Repair will be undertaken by MGRLTC, in its sole, but reasonable, determination, and made whenever necessary to maintain the Private Road in

good operating condition and to ensure the provision of safe access by emergency vehicles. All decisions on Repair contracts in connection with the Private Road shall be made by MGRLTC.

- 3. Hathaway Holdings, LLC, by signing this Agreement, does covenant and agree to pay in full to MGRLTC, within sixty (60) days after receiving notice of an assessment for Repair made by MGRLTC. Each assessment, together with interest at an annual rate specified by MGRLTC, but not to exceed the prime rate as published in the Wall Street Journal (the "Prime Rate") at the time of assessment and together with costs of collection, shall be a lien and charge upon the parcel of Hathaway Holdings, LLC against which each such assessment is made which lien shall continue until the assessment is paid.
- 4. If MGRLTC fails to Maintain the Private Road in good repair, and such failure continues for a period of thirty (30) days following notice of such failure given by Hathaway Holdings, LLC to MGRLTC, then Hathaway Holdings, LLC may perform such maintenance and Repair as is reasonably necessary for the exercise of the easement rights granted to Hathaway Holdings, LLC in the Private Drive, and shall be entitled to reimbursement of one-half the cost of such Repair from MGRLTC. If within sixty (60) days after the date of receiving notice of an assessment for Repair made by Hathaway Holdings, LLC, the assessment remains unpaid, then the assessment, together with interest at an annual rate specified by Hathaway Holdings, LLC but not to exceed the Prime Rate at the time of assessment and together with costs of collection, shall be a lien and charge upon the parcel of MGRLTC against which each such assessment is made which lien shall continue until the assessment is paid.
- 5. This Agreement shall be binding on the successors and assigns of each party hereto and the rights and obligations hereof shall run with the land referenced herein for so long as the Private Road is maintained as a private road. The parties hereto shall include a reference to this Agreement in any deed or conveyance of the real estate referenced herein.
- 6. In the event the parties hereto are unable to amicably resolve a dispute arising out of any interpretation of any provision of this Agreement, the parties agree to participate in informal mediation with a trained mediator to resolve the dispute prior to proceeding to Court or the filing of any legal action. The mediation shall be held within thirty (30) days from the date of written notice of the existence of the dispute. The costs and expenses of mediation shall be borne one-half (1/2) by the party proposing it and one-half (1/2) by the other party.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereby execute this Agreement this  $\frac{12}{12}$  day of

October, 2021.

Witness

State of Maine County of Kennebec, ss.

Hathay/ay/Holdings, LLC ¢ Paul Bogho โลก Its: Member

October 1 2, 2021

Personally appeared the above-named Paul Boghossian, Member of Hathaway Holdings, LLC and acknowledged the foregoing instrument to be his free act and deed in his said capacity.

Before me,

Notary Public/Attorney-at-Law Commission expires:\_\_\_\_\_

Matthew J. McDonald Maine Attorney at Law

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MaineGeneral Rehabilitation & Long Term Care

Paul Stein Its: Chief Executive Officer

State of Maine County of Kennebec, ss.

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October 8, 2021

Personally appeared the above-named Paul Stein, Chief Executive Officer of MGRLTC and acknowledged the foregoing instrument to be his free act and deed in his said capacity.

Before me,

Panela S. Bossonneault Pamela S. Boissonneault, Notary Public Commission expires: January 24, 2023

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## Exhibit A Private Road Description

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Said right of way and easement area contains 20,162 square feet.

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## MEMORANDUM

| TO:   | City of Gardiner Planning Board                |
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| FROM: | Mark A. Bower, Esq.                            |
| RE:   | Gardiner Green Project; 150-152 Dresden Avenue |
| DATE: | November 16, 2021                              |

I am filing this memorandum on behalf of my client, Hathaway Holdings, LLC ("Hathaway"), which is the applicant and developer of the proposed Gardiner Green subdivision at 150-152 Dresden Avenue (the "Project"). The purpose of this memorandum is to respond to the 15-page public comment document that was signed and submitted by several individuals (the "Neighbors") on October 12, 2021, and provided to the applicant just a few hours before the Planning Board met that day. This is intended as a thoughtful response to those comments, informed by the provisions of the Gardiner Land Use Ordinance ("LUO"), with the goal of aiding the Board's overall review of the Project at the December 14, 2021 meeting.

## 1. Hathaway's plan for a phased development is not prohibited under the LUO.

Hathaway is proposing to develop Gardiner Green in three phases, which City Staff has already acknowledged is permissible under the LUO, "provided sufficient and detailed conditions are stated in a final written decision ensuring compliance with all applicable and relevant LUO standards within the scope of the condition(s) and underlying base approval." (4/9/21 Staff Memo. at 8.)

The Project's phases are as follows:

Phase 1 will create 34 apartment units in the structure labeled on the Phase 1 Site Plan as "Former Medical Building," with 7 of the units designated as affordable housing. Hathaway is applying for both site plan and subdivision approvals, due to the fact that the Former Medical Building will be developed into multiple dwelling units. *See* 30-A M.R.S. § 4401 (defining subdivision to include "the division of an existing structure or structures previously used for commercial or industrial use into 3 or more dwelling units within a 5-year period," whether by sale, lease, development, buildings or otherwise).

Phase 2 will create 4 townhouse condominium units in the former hospital's south annex building (labeled Building #5 on the Site Plan), and 2 townhouse condominium units in the former boiler room building, as shown on the Phase 2 Site Plan, for a total of 6 dwelling units.

Phase 3 will rehabilitate the former Gardiner Family Medicine building into 8 townhouse condominium units, and will create 8 townhouse condominium units in 4 new structures to be built, as shown on the Phase 3 Site Plan, for a total of 16 units.

In summary, the three phases will result in the creation of 56 total dwelling units (49 market rate units and 7 affordable housing units) in the High-Density Residential (HDR) zoning district. Contrary to the Neighbors' assertion, there is nothing in the LUO that prohibits apartment units and condominium units from being located on the same lot, provided the density requirements are met; that is, the LUO does not require separate "lots" for each apartment and condo unit, contrary to the Neighbors' apparent belief. The calculation of density for this Project, based on the lot size of 5.43 acres (236,531 square feet) is included in the subdivision and site plan applications that Hathaway has submitted. In accordance with the City Staff's guidance (4/9/21 Staff Memo. at 8), Hathaway will submit elevation drawings and materials submissions as a condition of compliance filing prior to beginning work on Phases 2 and 3 of the Project, and such condition of compliance filings will follow the normal notice and hearing process under the LUO.

# 2. The Project qualifies as an "Open Space Development," and meets the open space design criteria under LUO § 10.23.

The Project is being proposed as an "open space development" under the LUO,<sup>1</sup> and Hathaway has previously demonstrated compliance with each of the open space design criteria under LUO § 10.23.2. (*See* 4/6/21 Applicant Memo.) The Project further qualifies for a density bonus under LUO § 10.23.5.1.1: "The number of dwelling units may be increased by 20% over the number of units allowed in the district in which the development is located provided that at least one of the following conditions is met: . . . At least 10% of the dwelling units are affordable housing as defined by 30-A M.R.S.A. Section 4301." This incentive to create affordable housing provides the Project with a 9-unit increase from 47 units to 56 total units.

The Neighbors do not actually argue that the Project fails to meet any of the design requirements in LUO § 10.23.2, only that a "total site plan for structures" has not been

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> LUO § 17-23 defines an open space development as: "A land development project comprehensively planned as a self-contained, integrated, unified development which exhibits flexibility in building siting, clustering, usable open space and the preservation of significant natural features, and which meets the Open Space Design Standards of this Ordinance."

submitted under § 10.23.2.2. There is no merit to that argument. LUO § 10.23.2.2 requires an applicant to "illustrate the placement of buildings and the treatment of spaces, roads, services, and parking," which mirrors the LUO definition of the term site plan: "A plan, drawn to scale, showing uses and structures proposed for a parcel of land as required by municipal ordinance. It includes lot lines, building sites, reserved open spaces, buildings, and major landscape features, both natural and man-made." Hathaway has fulfilled this obligation, as the application includes not only an overall site plan, but also separate, detailed site plans for each of the three phases of the proposed development. The Neighbors take an unduly expansive interpretation of the term "site plan," contending that a site plan must include elevation drawings, photographs and other materials, which is inconsistent with the LUO definition of the term.

# 3. The Project site meets the minimum land area necessary for an open space design.

To begin with, it is important to note that MaineGeneral Medical Center made a single conveyance to Hathaway on October 12, 2021, of a 5.43-acre parcel that included a few pieces of land, including the 0.9-acre portion that is the source of the Neighbors' complaint. The 0.9-acre portion was included in order to facilitate the development in anticipation of setback needs and other dimensional issues. The Neighbors next contend that the Planning Board was wrong in its initial finding that the Project does not involve a "flag-shaped" or "odd-shaped" lot, under the Neighbors' mistaken belief that the 0.9-acre portion conveyed from MaineGeneral's abutting parcel meets that definition. This argument is flawed for two reasons.

First, there is nothing in the LUO that indicates that odd-shaped lots are "not suitable for development," as the Neighbors allege. Under LUO § 10.23.2.5, the "area suitable for development shall be calculated by subtracting the following: wetlands, rivers, streams, brooks, stormwater drainage features, resource protection district areas, areas within the 100-year floodplain and areas within roads and other rights-of-way."<sup>2</sup> Therefore, the only portions of a parcel that the LUO deems "unsuitable" for development are those highlighted in the quoted passage, which notably does not include "flag lots." The 5.43-acre parcel obtained from MaineGeneral is undoubtedly suitable for development.

Second, the Neighbors' argument shows a misunderstanding of the intent underlying the "flag lot" provision. LUO § 8.1.4 provides: "Flag lots and other odd-shaped lots in which narrow strips are joined to other parcels to meet minimum lot-size requirements are prohibited except for rear lots meeting the requirements of 8.3." Contrary to what the Neighbors appear to believe, the proper analysis is whether the <u>resulting</u> lot is flag-shaped, and is such a shape only to

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> In the developable land calculations, Hathaway properly subtracted 1,230 square feet of land needed for the stormwater improvement, in accordance with LUO § 10.23.2.5.

meet minimum lot size requirements. That is not the case here. As is typical in real estate developments, Hathaway acquired additional acreage from a willing seller (MaineGeneral) to merge with the existing parcel to allow for its development. The resulting lot where Hathaway will develop the Project is neither flag-shaped nor odd-shaped. Therefore, the Neighbors have failed to identify any violation of the LUO.

# 4. The portion of the Project site to be dedicated as open space is suitable for that purpose under the LUO.

To meet ordinance requirements, Hathaway will dedicate 56,000 square feet of the parcel—located in the currently wooded section of the lot—as a continuous tract of open space in accordance with LUO § 10.23. Notably, the LUO specifically lists "existing undeveloped forest areas" and "significant wildlife and plant habitat areas" as land areas that are eligible for open space designation. LUO § 10.23.3.1. Hathaway will designate this common open space area upon approval of the project, under LUO § 10.23.4.1.

The Neighbors have not established that any of the proposed open space area would be "unsuitable for development" under the LUO. Even if it were, however, "[t]he open space land may utilize or feature areas designated as unsuitable for development...." LUO § 10.23.3.3. Moreover, contrary to the Neighbors' assertion, there is nothing in the LUO to support their claim that dedicated open space areas must be handicap-accessible in order to comply with the Federal Fair Housing Act. Indeed, it would be surprising if any other development in the City of Gardiner has been required to meet such a stringent standard, particularly when undeveloped wooded areas are regularly used to meet open space requirements.

The Neighbors also point to the LUO's requirement that open space must consist of a "yard, garden or playground area." LUO § 10.16.3.9. However, the term "yard" is defined in the LUO simply as "the area of land on a lot not occupied by the principal building." LUO § 17.2.1. The wooded areas to be designated as open space meet that definition. Therefore, the Project will satisfy the 1,000 square-foot-per-unit requirement for open space dedication. It is important to keep in mind that, generally speaking, the purpose of an ordinance's open space requirement is to make sure that the overall development in a particular region of the City does not become too dense. By setting aside more than an acre of land (20% of the lot) as open space that cannot be developed, the Project accomplishes that goal.

# 5. The Project meets the affordable housing requirement that determines eligibility for the density bonus under LUO § 10.23.5.

As mentioned previously, the Project qualifies for a density bonus under LUO § 10.23.5, which allows for an increase in the number of dwelling units by 20% over the number of units

allowed in the district if a qualifying feature is met—here, "at least 10% of the dwelling units are affordable housing as defined by 30-A M.R.S.A. Section 4301." That section of the LUO does not dictate whether the dwelling units must be rental units or ownership units.

The Neighbors have argued, unpersuasively, that the Planning Board should require Hathaway to designate <u>both</u> rental units and ownership units (*i.e.*, condominium units) as affordable, but they fail to point to any provision under the LUO that requires both types of units to be designated affordable in order to obtain the density bonus. The definition of "affordable housing" that the Neighbors cite, from LUO § 17.2.1, merely takes into account the fact that affordable housing could be rental units, could be ownership units, or could be both types. The Planning Board should not accept the Neighbors' invitation to unilaterally amend the LUO by rewriting the affordable housing requirement. If the Neighbors believe there is merit to their position, they can channel their efforts in a proposed amendment to the LUO directed to the City's legislative body.

In addition, the Neighbors contend that the Project's proposal to offer affordable rental units does not comply with the objectives of the City of Gardiner Comprehensive Plan ("Comp Plan"). However, the Comp Plan notes that, while home prices were stable, rental prices had increased significantly, which "led to an increase in the percentage of rental households who are unable to afford the average rent." (Comp Plan at 178-79.) The Project's addition of 7 affordable rental units directly addresses that concern as expressed in the Comp Plan.<sup>3</sup> Moreover, because the affordable rental units will be provided in Phase 1 of the Project (the rehab of the Former Medical Building into 34 apartment units), all 7 of the affordable units will be available much sooner than if the townhouse condo units—from later phases of the Project—were designated as affordable, as the Neighbors would like. We assume that the City would prefer to have affordable dwelling units available sooner rather than later.

As for the duration of the affordability covenant, we reiterate prior discussions concerning this question and oppose the idea of an indefinite term, proposing instead a requirement that the affordability covenant remain in effect for a period of 25 years. Such a term is consistent with that seen in other covenants by state and local permitting entities in Maine, and strikes a balance between encouraging the creation of affordable housing and limiting the restriction on future transfers of property.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Note that only 6 affordable units are required in order to get the density bonus, but the Project includes an additional affordable unit above the LUO's minimum requirement.

## 6. The Project is consistent with the Comp Plan.

The Neighbors next allege that the Project is inconsistent with the Comp Plan. Under LUO  $\S$  14.4.9, a proposed subdivision must conform to "all the applicable standards and requirements of this Ordinance, the Comprehensive Plan, and other local ordinances." The Project is consistent with various provisions of the Comp Plan:

- Objective 1.9 (Expand the opportunities for infill housing in established residential neighborhoods): "The City's current housing stock offers a limited range of housing options. Much of the current housing stock is either owner-occupied, single-family homes or rental apartments in older, multifamily buildings or larger apartment complexes for specific population groups. To broaden the appeal of Gardiner to a wide range of household types, the City should assure that its development regulations allow a wider range of housing in the developed residential neighborhoods while at the same time maintaining the livability of these neighborhoods. These types of uses have the potential for expanding the tax base without increasing the demand for public services." (Comp Plan at 70.)
- Objective 1.11 (Facilitate the construction of good-quality residential development): "Over the past decade, the City has experienced limited residential development. While residential development may increase the City's service costs over the long-term, there are opportunities to create a framework that may entice the private development community to undertake residential projects in Gardiner." (Comp Plan at 73.)
- State Goal #8 (Housing): "To encourage and promote affordable, decent housing opportunities for all Maine citizens." (Comp Plan at 86.)
- Action 1.10-4 (Provide opportunities for the creative reuse of large older buildings): "There are a number of existing large buildings within the City's residential neighborhoods that are no longer being used for the designed purpose. Finding appropriate uses for these buildings that are both economically viable and suitable for the neighborhood can be problematic. The City should revise its zoning to create a mechanism to allow the creative reuse of these buildings on a caseby-case basis as long as they maintain the character of the neighborhood. This could be done through the creation of an overlay district or the use of contract zoning that would allow the specifics of each redevelopment proposal to be carefully reviewed and negotiated. Where the building is historic, the City should work with the property owner to explore designating the property as a historic resource and using historic rehabilitation tax credits in the renovation of the property." (Comp Plan at 72.)

By providing both rental units (affordable and market-rate) and ownership units, the Project exemplifies the above goals and actions from the Comp Plan by adding dwelling units, improving affordability, and redeveloping existing large buildings within residential neighborhoods. The Neighbors' chief complaint appears to be a belief that certain provisions of the LUO are inconsistent with the Comp Plan. However, to the extent that the Neighbors dislike some of those provisions of the LUO, their remedy is to propose ordinance amendments, not to deny this project, which <u>does</u> comply with both the Comp Plan and the applicable LUO requirements.

# 7. The Project meets all site plan review criteria, including the "character of the neighborhood" requirement cited by the Neighbors.

LUO § 6.5.2.1 is a site plan review standard that requires the applicant to show that the "proposal will be sensitive to the character of the site, neighborhood and the district in which it is located including conformance to any zoning district specific design standards."

To begin with, the Project complies with this review standard. As an entirely residential development located within the High-Density Residential (HDR) zoning district of the City, the Project will integrate with the surrounding residential neighborhood, will include vegetative buffers from abutting properties, will significantly improve upon the poor aesthetics of the existing buildings on the Property, and will be a far less intense use than the prior healthcare use of the Property. Moreover, this review standard should not be applied in a vacuum, as the Neighbors would like. The Planning Board must consider the fact that the Project involves the renovation of <u>existing</u> structures, which will greatly enhance their appearance and function, and that the proposed residential use will be far more compatible with the neighborhood than the prior intensive healthcare use.<sup>4</sup>

Although the Project does comply with LUO § 6.5.2.1, we do have concerns about the constitutionality of this ordinance provision due to the vagueness of the language. The Maine Law Court has repeatedly invalidated ordinance standards that fail to provide cognizable, quantitative standards, holding that, "in order to withstand attack as an impermissible legislative delegation of authority, ordinances that establish criteria for acceptance of a conditional use must specify sufficient reasons why such a use may be denied." *Gorham v. Town of Cape Elizabeth*, 625 A.2d 898, 900 (Me. 1993). This is because "[d]evelopers are entitled to know with reasonable clarity what they must do under state or local land use control laws to obtain the permits or approvals they seek." *Kosalka v. Town of Georgetown*, 2000 ME 106, ¶ 12, 752 A.2d 183; *see also Cope v. Town of Brunswick*, 464 A.2d 223, 227 (Me. 1983) (invalidating a provision that "the use requested will not tend to devaluate or alter the essential characteristics of the surrounding

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> We would note that the Property could simply be developed into 23 single-family house lots based on the 10,000-square-foot lot minimum in the LUO. However, that approach would likely be far more disruptive and intensive than the current proposal, and would not achieve the same policy goals of creating dwelling units and encouraging the development of affordable housing.

property"). A good illustration of this rule is *Wakelin v. Town of Yarmouth*, 523 A.2d 575 (Me. 1987), where the local board denied the applicant's request for a special exception permit for a multi-family dwelling, finding that the proposed use was "not in keeping with the neighborhood." One of the town's review criteria was whether the proposed use is "compatible with existing uses in the neighborhood, with respect to physical size, visual impact, intensity of use, proximity to other structures and density of development." On appeal, the Law Court invalidated that ordinance provision on constitutional grounds because the provision lacked quantitative standards to produce "specific criteria objectively usable by both the Board and the applicant in gauging the compatibility of a proposed use with existing uses in the surrounding area." Simply put, the provision left both the developer and the local board guessing, and "[s]uch uncertainty is impermissible."

In summary, the Law Court has instructed that planning boards are not free to express legislative-type opinions about what is appropriate for the community, which is exactly what LUO § 6.5.2.1 allows for. It is impossible for a potential developer to know what constitutes being "sensitive to the character of the . . . neighborhood," or what "sensitive" actually means, and therefore the language is unconstitutionally vague. To apply this provision as the Neighbors propose produces the same result as in *Wakelin*—the lack of specific standards that creates a state of uncertainty depriving Hathaway of the use of its property.

If the Planning Board were to agree with the Neighbors' suggestion that the Project must be "consistent with the predominant pattern in the neighborhood"<sup>5</sup>—in other words, establishing an aesthetic requirement, the only apparent option for Hathaway would be to tear down all of the existing structures and rebuild them from scratch, which would render the Property substantially useless and strip it of all practical value—in other words, a regulatory taking of land. *See MC Associates v. Town of Cape Elizabeth*, 2001 ME 89, ¶ 11, 773 A.2d 439. We urge the Planning Board to avoid that result.

# 8. Hathaway has demonstrated sufficient financial capacity to carry out the project, as required under LUO § 14.6.7.

Lastly, the Neighbors contend that Hathaway has not shown financial capacity by providing a "letter from a financial institution such as a bank or other lending institution that states that the applicant has the necessary funds available or a loan commitment from this institution to complete the proposed development within the time period specified by the applicant." LUO § 14.6.7.1.3.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> The Neighbors' submission of photos of houses on Dresden Avenue suggests that they would like the Planning Board to require the Project's structures to match that aesthetic.

Hathaway intends to fund the Project's development through bank financing, not cash on hand, and therefore submitted a letter from John Butera at Skowhegan Savings Bank, who expressed the bank's enthusiasm in working with Hathaway to finance the Project.<sup>6</sup> As the City Staff has aptly pointed out, "obtaining committed financing generally requires an applicant to first obtain all necessary permits, licenses, and governmental approvals." (4/9/21 Staff Memo. at 8.) In other words, it is a "chicken and egg" dilemma – you need the approval before you can get the loan commitment from a reputable financial institution. Therefore, we request the Board to follow the City Staff's guidance on this question, and condition its approval of the application upon Hathaway's submission of a more detailed financing letter to the satisfaction of City Staff prior to obtaining any building permits or commencing work in any phase of the Project. To require more than this would be imposing a higher standard for this application than other projects reviewed by this Board, which would not withstand a legal challenge.

### **Conclusion**

In summary, the above discussion demonstrates that none of the public comments advanced by the Neighbors would justify denying an approval of the Project's application. The Property is zoned for this use and the application meets all of the review standards set forth in the LUO for site plan and subdivision approvals. Hathaway looks forward to partnering with the City in revitalizing the Property, which will be a win for the City by producing high-quality housing units to meet the City's goals, and restoring the productive use of the Property.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Hathaway also submitted a prior letter of reference, dated January 8, 2021, from Jim Delamater, who can attest to Hathaway's "professionalism and overall ability to perform relative to overall goals and objectives."



Skowhegan, ME 04976

June 25, 2021

To Whom it May Concern:

Skowhegan Savings Bank has begun working with Paul Boghossian regarding financing his project to redevelop property in Gardiner. He has provided us preliminary information and we are reviewing both the scope of the project and the financial aspects.

We look forward to receiving more detailed information from Paul and are interested in potentially financing this project. While the Bank is not able to guarantee funding, we are very interested in exploring this opportunity and can hopefully initiate the underwriting process at some point in the future. Bank financing is subject to satisfactory review of all terms, structure, conditions, and Board approval.

We are pleased to be involved with this important project and look forward to working with Paul. I've had a long association with Paul, particularly in my role as an economic developer throughout Maine and am very familiar with his other projects.

Regards.

John Butera Vice President, Commercial Loan Officer

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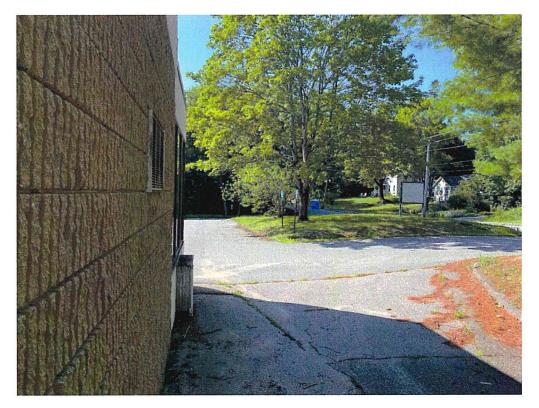
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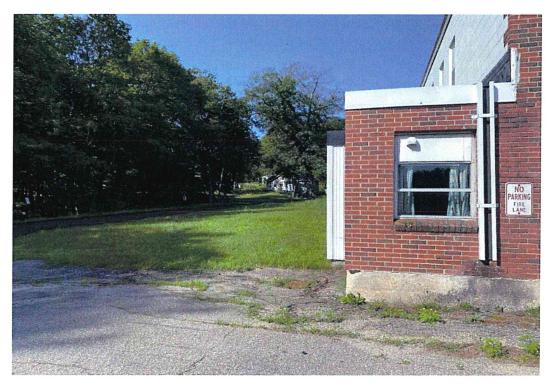
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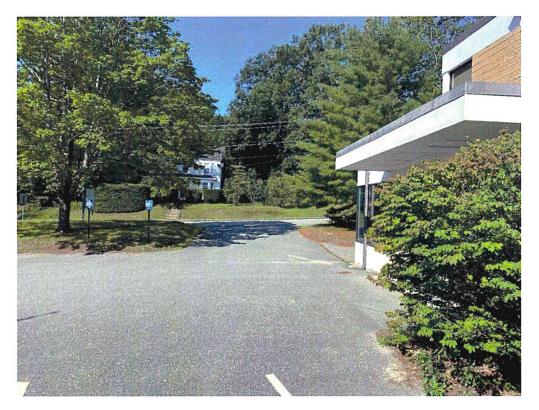
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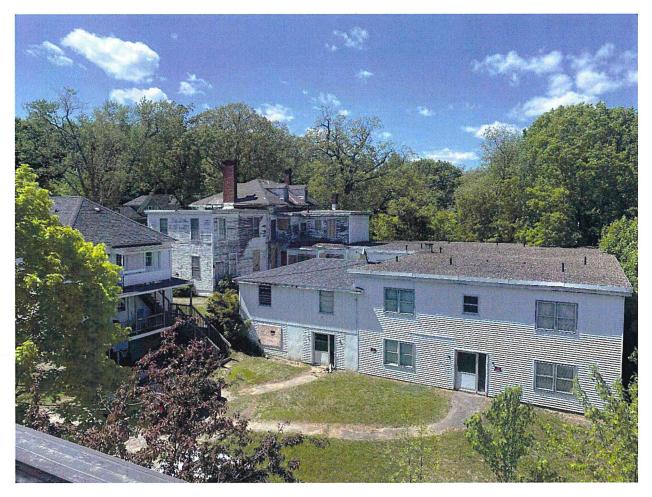
From the south of Building 6 looking west up the driveway to Dresden Ave.



From the property looking north on Dresden Ave.

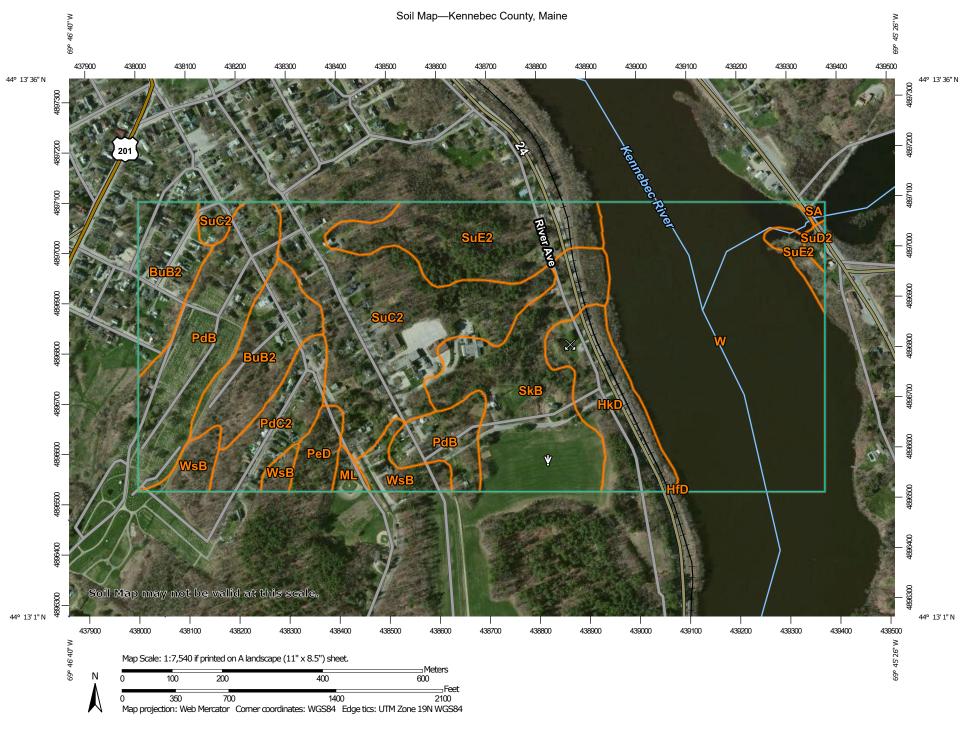


From the north of Building 6 looking west up the driveway. The abandoned Merrill Manor is to the right



From the roof of Building 6 looking northwest at the abandoned Merrill Manor





USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service Web Soil Survey National Cooperative Soil Survey

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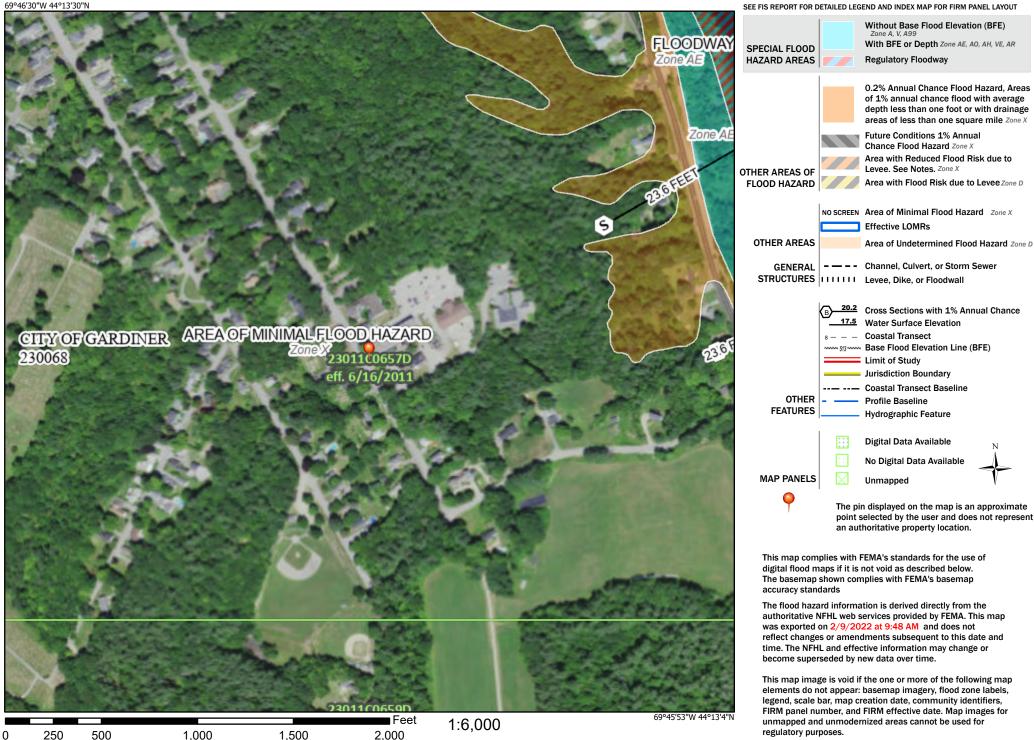
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| HfD                         | Hartland very fine sandy loam,<br>15 to 25 percent slopes                  | 0.0          | 0.0%           |
| HkD                         | Hinckley gravelly sandy loam,<br>15 to 30 percent slopes                   | 11.2         | 5.7%           |
| ML                          | Made land  | 1.0          | 0.5%           |
| PdB                         | Paxton-Charlton fine sandy<br>loams, 3 to 8 percent slopes                 | 22.3         | 11.4%          |
| PdC2                        | Paxton-Charlton fine sandy<br>loams, 8 to 15 percent<br>slopes, eroded     | 7.7          | 3.9%           |
| PeD                         | Paxton-Charlton very stony<br>fine sandy loams, 15 to 30<br>percent slopes | 3.1          | 1.6%           |
| SA                          | Saco soils   | 0.4          | 0.2%           |
| SkB                         | Scio very fine sandy loam, 3 to<br>8 percent slopes                        | 22.8         | 11.6%          |
| SuC2                        | Suffield silt loam, 8 to 15 percent slopes, eroded                         | 31.0         | 15.8%          |
| SuD2                        | Suffield silt loam, 15 to 25 percent slopes, eroded                        | 0.7          | 0.4%           |
| SuE2                        | Suffield silt loam, 25 to 45 percent slopes, eroded                        | 17.4         | 8.9%           |
| W                           | Water bodies   | 53.7         | 27.4%          |
| WsB                         | Woodbridge very stony fine<br>sandy loam, 3 to 8 percent<br>slopes         | 6.6          | 3.4%           |
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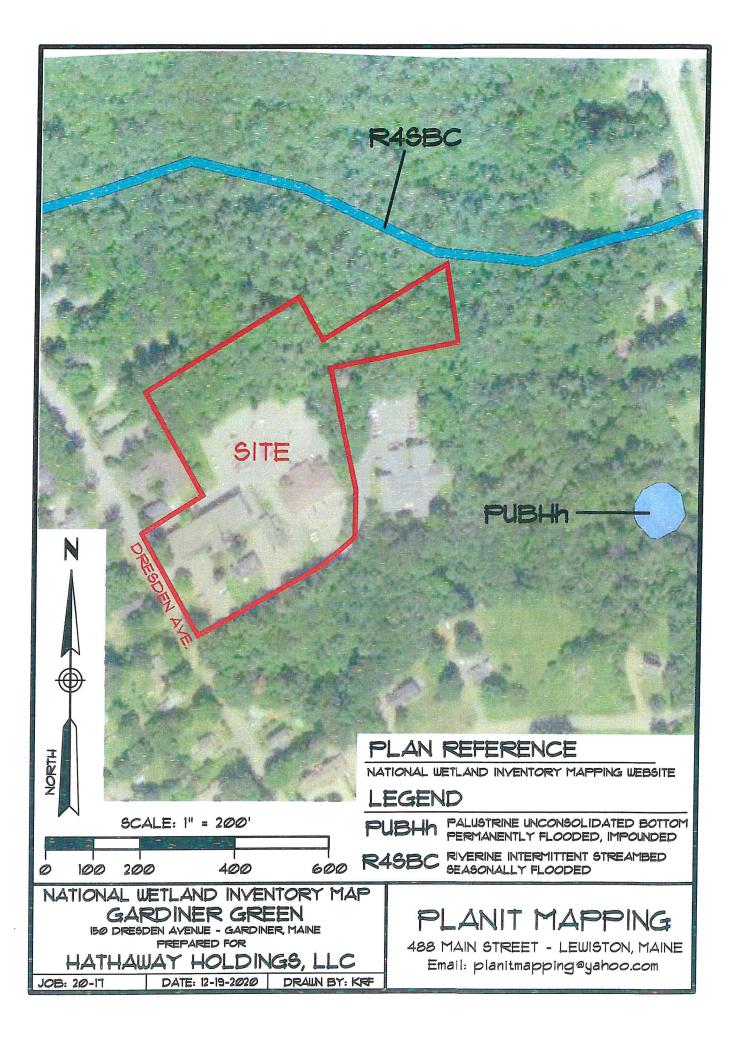
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July 12, 2020

Mr. Paul Boghossian Hathaway Holdings LLC Hathaway Center 10 Water Street, Box 68 Waterville, ME 04901

# RE: TRAFFIC IMPACT ASSESSMENT FOR PROPOSED RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT IN GARDINER, MAIME

#### INTRODUCTION

This memorandum summarizes trip generation and safety analyses for local City of Gardiner approval of a proposed residential development. The proposed residential development is to be located on the site of the former MaineGeneral Hospital on Dresden Avenue. The development will provide for 68 dwelling units as outlined below:

- Phase 1 Rehab of the original hospital building to provide 34 apartment units
- Phase 2 Rehab of the south annex and boiler buildings to provide 6 condominium units
- Phase 3 Rehab of the medical office building into 11 condominium units

and 17 new construction condominium units

The former MaineGeneral hospital buildings were most recently occupied by these uses:

- Visiting nurses
- X-ray
- Home health care
- Horizon treatment
- Scanning
- Recordkeeping
- Bone density
- Mammography
- Printing
- Doctor's offices

It understood that the hospital building and Gardiner Family Practice building both were generally utilized as medical office buildings in recent years. Based upon information provided by MaineGeneral, the

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former hospital is approximately 34,000 square feet (S.F.) in size and was totally utilized for medical office purposes. The Gardiner Family Practice building provided for 9,200 S.F. of medical offices with 4,300 of storage.

Access to the residential development will be provided by the three existing curb cuts to Dresden Avenue. However, one of the current two-way drives will be restricted to one-way out, reducing allowed driveway movements from twelve to ten, thus improving access management.

#### TRIP GENERATIC 4 ANALYSIS

The number of trips to be generated by the proposed residences was determined utilizing the Institute of Transportation Engineers (ITE) "Trip Generation" manual. The most recent 10<sup>th</sup> edition was used for the calculations since it is derived from the largest database and is considered the most current and best information. Land use code 220 – Multi-Family Housing Low-Rise was utilized on the basis of the 68 proposed dwelling units. The results are summarized in the following table:

| <u>Time Period</u>             | Trip Generation – New Residences<br>One-Way Trips |
|--------------------------------|---|
| Daily                          | 498   |
| AM Peak Hour – Adjacent Street | 32  |
| Entering                       | 7   |
| Exiting                        | 25  |
| AM Peak Hour – Generator       | 38  |
| Entering                       | 10  |
| Exiting                        | 28  |
| PM Peak Hour – Adjacent Street | 38  |
| Entering                       | 24  |
| Exiting                        | 14  |
| PM Peak Hour – Generator       | 46  |
| Entering                       | 27  |
| Exiting                        | 19  |

As seen above, the new residences are expected to generate from 32 to 46 one-way trips during peak hours. This level of traffic would not be expected to have a significant impact off-site on traffic operations beyond the site drives. Generally, a project won't have a significant impact on traffic operations unless it generates in excess of 35 lane hour trips. This project will generate a maximum of 28 lane hour trips.

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The traffic that was recently generated by the two buildings as medical offices was also calculated utilizing the ITE report. Land use codes 720 – medical-dental office building was utilized on the basis of 43,200 S.F. Land use code 150 - Warehousing was utilized for the 4,300 S.F. of storage space at Gardiner Family Practice. The results are summarized below:

| <u>Time Period</u>             | Trip Generation | – Former Medica | l Offices    |
|--------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|--------------|
|                                | Med. Offices    | <u>Storage</u>  | <u>Total</u> |
| Daily                          | 1,500           | 8               | 1,508        |
| AM Peak Hour – Adjacent Street | 120             | 1               | 121          |
| Entering                       | 94              | 1               | 95           |
| Exiting                        | 26              | 0               | 26           |
| AM Peak Hour – Generator       | 152             | 1               | 153          |
| Entering                       | 94              | 1               | 95           |
| Exiting                        | 58              | 0               | 58           |
| PM Peak Hour – Adjacent Street | 149             | 1               | 150          |
| Entering                       | 42              | 0               | 42           |
| Exiting                        | 107             | 1               | 108          |
| PM Peak Hour – Generator       | 177             | 1               | 178          |
| Entering                       | 69              | 0               | 69           |
| Exiting                        | 108             | 1               | 109          |

A comparison of the proposed trips versus the previous medical office trips follows:

| Time Period                    | T<br>Proposed<br>Residences | rip Generation Con<br>Former<br>Medical Offices |               |
|--------------------------------|-----------------------------|---|---------------|
| Time Period                    | nesidences                  | Medical Offices                                 | <u>Change</u> |
| Daily                          | 498                         | 1,508   | -1,010        |
| AM Peak Hour – Adjacent Street | 32                          | 121   | -89           |
| Entering                       | 7                           | 95  | -88           |
| Exiting                        | 25                          | 26  | -1            |
| AM Peak Hour – Generator       | 38                          | 153   | -115          |
| Entering                       | 10                          | 95  | -85           |
| Exiting                        | 28                          | 58  | -30           |

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| Time Period                    | Proposed<br><u>Residences</u> | Former<br>Medical Offices | <u>Change</u> |
|--------------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------------|---------------|
| PM Peak Hour – Adjacent Street | 38                            | 150                       | -112          |
| Entering                       | 24                            | 42                        | -18           |
| Exiting                        | 14                            | 108                       | -94           |
| PM Peak Hour – Generator       | 46                            | 178                       | -132          |
| Entering                       | 27                            | 69                        | -42           |
| Exiting                        | 19                            | 109                       | -90           |

As seen in the preceding table, the proposed residential development will generate significantly fewer trips than the former medical offices in all peak hour periods as well as on a daily basis. Given this significant reduction in trips there is no need for capacity analysis and the remainder of this impact assessment will focus upon safety.

#### SAFETY ANALYSE:

#### ACCIDENT REVIE

The Maine Department of Transportation uses two criteria to determine high crash locations (HCLs). The first is the critical rate factor (CRF), which is a measure of the accident rate. A CRF greater than one indicates a location which has a higher than expected accident rate. The expected rate is calculated as a statewide average of similar facilities.

The second criterion, which must also be met, is based upon the number of accidents that occur at a particular location. Eight or more accidents must also occur over the three-year study period for the location to be considered a high crash location.

Crash data for the vicinity of the site (Dresden Avenue, Brunswick Avenue and Cottage Street) was obtained from MaineDOT for the most recent three-year period, 2017 – 2019, and is attached. The CRF and number of accidents are summarized by location in the following table:

| Location Description   | <u># of Acc.</u> | CRF  |
|--|------------------|------|
| Intersection of Brunswick Avenue, Central & Plummer Streets    | 1                | 0.21 |
| Brunswick Avenue between Central Street and Chestnut Street    | 1                | 0.36 |
| Intersection of Brunswick Avenue, Lincoln & Washington Avenues | 1                | 0.21 |
| Brunswick Avenue between Filmore Place and Church Street       | 4                | 1.60 |
| Intersection of Brunswick Avenue & Church Street               | 2                | 0.39 |

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| Location Description                                     | <u># of Acc.</u> | <u>CRF</u> |  |
|--|------------------|------------|--|
| Brunswick Avenue between Church and Neal Street          | 1                | 0.20       |  |
| Intersection of Brunswick Avenue & Mechanic Street       | 1                | 0.21       |  |
| Intersection of Brunswick Avenue, Water & Bridge Streets | 15               | 0.73       |  |
| Dresden Avenue between School Street and Church Street   | 1                | 0.63       |  |
| Dresden Avenue between Danforth and Cottage Street       | 1                | 0.30       |  |
| Intersection of River Avenue and Cottage Street          | 1                | 0.75       |  |

As seen in the above accident table, there are no high crash locations within the vicinity of the proposed residential development. As a result, no further accident review or evaluation is necessary.

#### DRIVEWAY SIGHT DISTANCE

One of the most important safety factors to consider for a project is sight distance from the exit drives. This sight distance is measured ten feet back from the edge of travel way at a driver's eye height of 3.5 feet to an object height of 4.25 feet.

The proposed site access provides for three exits to Dresden Avenue in existing locations. The speed limit is unposted on Dresden Avenue but is assumed to be 25 mph as it is on Brunswick Avenue and in the remaining Gardiner urban area. Sewall recommends a minimum of 10 feet of sight distance for every posted mile per hour of speed limit or 250'. The City of Gardiner Land Use Ordinance requires this same 10' per mph. Sight distance was measured in the field from the three existing drives with the following results:

| Driveway Description | <u>To Right</u> | Existing Driveway Sigh<br>Adequate | t Distances<br><u>To Left</u> | Adequate |
|----------------------|-----------------|------------------------------------|-------------------------------|----------|
| Northerly Drive      | 400′+           | Yes                                | 400'+                         | Yes      |
| Middle Drive         | 400'+           | Yes                                | 300'                          | Yes      |
| Southerly Drive      | 400'+*          | Yes                                | 230'                          | No       |

\*Sight distance to the right is partially restricted by the existing "Alzheimer's Care Center" sign. This sign should be relocated out of the driveway sight triangle.

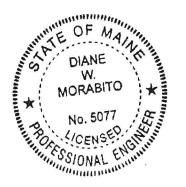


As seen in the preceding table, sight distance in both directions from the two most northerly drives exceeds the standard. Sight distance from the southerly drive towards the right is partially restricted by the existing Alzheimer's Center sign. This sign should be relocated out of the driveway sight triangle. Sight distance to the left is approximately 230'. It is restricted by brush growing along the Dresden Avenue right-of-way and then by the crest of the hill. It is expected that with tree limbing and clearing along the roadside this sight distance can be increased to 250'. It is important to note that no additional signage or landscaping should be located in the exit drive sight triangles which could obscure or restrict the sight distances in the future.

#### SUMMARY

To summarize, the 68 proposed residential dwelling units will generate from 32 to 46 one-way trips in peak hours. The former medical offices generated between 121 and 178 peak hour trips based upon the ITE data are. Hence, the proposed residences will result in a significant decrease in traffic to the site. As a result, no capacity or traffic anlaysis is required. In terms of safety, there are no high crash locations in the vicinity of the site. Sight distance from the two most northerly drives is adequate. Sight distance from the southerly drive can be improved by some brush clearing/tree limbing and by the relocation of the Alzheimer's Center sign. With these improvements sight distance will be adequate to meet standards.

As always, please do not hesitate to contact Sewall if you or the City of Gardiner have any questions or concerns regarding this analysis, findings or recommendations.



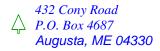
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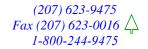
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February 9<sup>th</sup>, 2022

Kris McNeill Code Enforcement Officer City of Gardiner 6 Church Street Gardiner, Maine 04345

Subject: <u>Hathaway Holdings, LLC.</u> <u>150 Dresden Avenue</u> <u>Stormwater Report</u>

Dear Kris,

We have been retained by Paul Boghossian of Hathaway Holdings, LLC, who has purchased the (now 5.46 acre) parcel from MaineGeneral shown on the attached Boundary Survey dated September 10<sup>th</sup>, 2019 by Dirigo Surveying. The applicant is proposing to convert the large building that is located along Dresden Avenue into 34 apartment units. This portion of the project will be Phase I and will result in a decrease in impervious area of 4,665 sf for the parcel.

Stormwater is addressed in Section 9 (Environmental Performance Standards) in the City's Land Use Ordinance. Since this project will be considered a subdivision we must comply with Section 9.10.2 (Additional Standards) and these three applicable sections:

**9.10.2.1** A storm water control plan shall be designed by a professional engineer. All storm water features shall be designed in conformance with Stormwater Management for Maine: Best Management Practices" Manual, Volumes 1 and 3, published by the Maine Department of Environmental Protection, January, 2006. A storm water control plan that is developed according to the requirements of the Department of Environmental Protection Regulations, Chapter 500, Stormwater Management and Chapter 502 Direct Watersheds of Waterbodies Most at Risk from New Development, shall be deemed to be a suitable equivalent to these standards with the approval of the Code Enforcement Officer.

Stormwater structures and pipes are all in place and are depicted on the subdivision plan, which is included with the planning board submission. There is a section of pavement that has failed, which is located in the northeast corner of the large parking lot. The pavement in this area has been undercut by runoff and there is an erosion issue that needs to be addressed. We are proposing to install riprap in this area all the way down to the ditch. This ditch has recently been armored with riprap and stone check dams. Concrete barriers will be implemented on the asphalt to prevent vehicles from going down the embankment. **9.10.2.2** All components of the storm water management system shall be designed to limit peak discharge to predevelopment levels for every storm between the 2-year and 25-year, 24-hour duration frequencies based on rainfall data for Augusta, Maine.

Since there will be a reduction of 4,665 sf in impervious area this section is not applicable as the pre-development flows will be greater than the post-development flows.

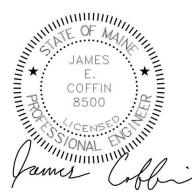
**9.10.2.3** The storm water system shall be designed to accommodate upstream drainage, taking into account existing conditions and approved or planned developments not yet built and shall include a surplus design capacity factor of 25% for potential increases in upstream runoff. The parcel is situated such that there is ditching along the north side and the site falls off along the south side to another ditch/stream. The drainage on site flows in a west-east direction and all ends up in a stream along the east side of the parcel that eventually flows to the Kennebec River. There would be no reason to upsize any on-site drainage structures because they are currently handling all of the drainage that they ever could because of the site topography.

We do not believe that any additional stormwater measures are needed, other than what is mentioned above. If you have any questions about any of this information, please contact me.

Sincerely,

James Coffin

James E. Coffin, P.E.





### CITY OF GARDINER FIRE & RESCUE DEPARTMENT



Chief Alfred R. Nelson Jr.

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City of Gardiner Planning Board

July 2, 2020

After speaking with Paul Boghossian and reviewing the project description for the proposed development at 150 - 152 Dresden Avenue in Gardiner, Maine (Kennebec County Maine). The City of Gardiner Fire and Rescue will be available to respond to any emergency both fire and/or medical in nature at this location. The project is not anticipated to result in reductions of any Fire Department services. Please feel free to contact me with any further needs or questions.

Thank you, Al Nelson Fire/Rescue Chief Church Street, Gardiner, Maine 04345 207-582-3211 Fax 207-582-1079 E-mail Police@gardinermaine.com



GARDINER POLICE DEPARTMENT POLICE \* COMMUNICATIONS



Chief James M. Toman

July 6, 2020

Hathaway Holdings, LLC/Paul Boghossian Hathaway Center 10 Water St. Bx 68 Waterville, Maine 04901

Per review criteria 6.5.1.13, I have reviewed the project description for the proposed development of "Gardiner Green" located at 150 and 152 Dresden Ave, Gardiner, Maine, 04345 (Kennebec County). This location is the site of the former Maine General buildings. Based upon my review, I believe that the Gardiner Police Department will have the ability to respond safely to any emergency or criminal activity that may occur at this re-developed location. The development project with the 68 dwelling units may result in additional calls for police services, however, it is not anticipated that the additional calls will have an impact on the overall services that the Gardiner Police Department delivers.

If you have any further questions or concerns, please let me know.

Sincerely,

Chief James M. Toman Gardiner Police Department City of Gardiner

Cc; Code Enforcement Gardiner Planning Board Office of Economic and Community Development



### Office of Code Enforcement

| 6 Church Street       | Phone: | 207 582-6892 |
|-----------------------|--------|--------------|
| Gardiner, Maine 04345 | Fax:   | 207 582-6895 |

December 15, 2021

### 150 Dresden Ave Planning Board Application

This letter is to state that the Code Enforcement Office does not have any issues with the applicant's proposal to renovate the old hospital into residential units going before the Planning Board. I do not feel that the proposed activity will negatively impact municipal services in any way. If you have any further questions, feel free to contact me at 207-620-4853.

Kris McNeill Code Enforcement Officer City of Gardiner Maine



## Comparent Comparente (Destructure)

June 24, 2020

Paul Boghossian Hathaway Center 10 Water St, Box 68 Waterville Me. 04901

Dear Mr. Boghossian,

The Gardiner Water District has the capacity to serve your proposed 68-unit housing development on Dresden Avenue in Gardiner. This area is served by a 10<sup>°</sup> ductile iron main which runs from River Rd, up Cottage St, and ends at the old Gardiner Hospital. Please contact me if I can be of further assistance.

Sincerely. in t

Paul Gray

superintendent

Gardiner Water District



july 13, 2020

Paul Boghossian

RE: 150-152 Dresden Ave

Hi Paul,

Based on the info you gave me it looks like there will be a total population in the proposed housing units of 179 persons. There are many different models for calculating water usage depending on areas of the country and other factors but locally here in Maine I find that generally about 75 gallons per person per day is an accurate number.

Therefore, we would be looking at an additional daily flow of 179 X 75 or 13,425 gallans of typical residential wastewater flow which the City of Gardiner wastewater transport and treatment system has the capacity to handle.

As your design progresses please keep in touch with me so I can work with you as to where you will be able to make the sewer connections. The gravity line you would be using actually collects flow from Dresden Ave, then turns and runs down through the middle of the site past the last building in the rear then down through the woods to a collection interceptor on State Rt. 24. It is currently still marked out from a previous Digsafe ticket.

Thank you,

**Douglas** Clark

Wastewater Director

City of Gardiner Maine