

**Planning Commission Memorandum** 

To:	Planning Commission
From:	John Hinzman, Community Development Director
Date:	November 26, 2012
Item:	Site Plan – Hastings Bus Company Parking Lot Expansion

## REQUEST

The Hastings Bus Company seeks Site Plan approval to construct 0.7 acre parking lot expansion north of the existing Hastings Bus Company building located at 425 East  $31^{st}$  Street. The western  $1/3^{rd}$  of the expansion is proposed as a yard waste drop off site for Tennis Sanitation, while the remaining  $2/3^{rds}$  would be used for bus parking.

## **BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

#### Notification

Notification of the request was mailed to all property owners within 350 feet.

#### **Comprehensive Plan Classification**

The 2030 Comprehensive Plan designates the property as Industrial. The proposed use is consistent with the plan.

#### **Zoning Classification**

The property is currently zoned I-1- Industrial Park. The existing bus garage use and proposed yard waste drop off site both are both allowable uses within the I-1 district.

#### **Adjacent Zoning and Land Use**

Direction	<b>Property Use</b>	Zoning	Comp Plan
North	Commerce Drive		
	Manufacturing - Hafiz	I-1	Industrial
East	Vacant Industrial Land -		
	City of Hastings	I-1	Industrial
South	31 <sup>st</sup> Street		
	Single Family Residences	R-1L &	Low Density Residential
	(500 feet from sight,	R-2	
	opposite side of facility)		
West	Vacant Industrial Land -		
	Hastings Bus Company	I-1	Industrial

#### **Existing Condition**

The 4.6 acre site contains a 33,000 s.f. office\garage building. Hastings Bus Company has been operating on site since 1985.

#### **Proposed Improvements**

Construction of a 0.7 acre expansion to an existing parking lot. Addition of 16 bus parking spaces. Operation of a yard waste drop off site for Tennis Sanitation.

## SITE PLAN REVIEW

#### Authority

Hastings City Code Chapter 155.51 establishes rules and procedures for site plan review.

#### **Zoning Setbacks**

Zoning Setbacks are acceptable. Parking lots must be located at least ten feet from the property line.

#### **Vehicular Access and Circulation**

One entrance would be added to Commerce Drive to accommodate the yard waste disposal site. Adequate space is provided to allow for interior circulation of vehicles accessing the yard waste site. The existing eastern entrance to Commerce Drive would be used for bus operations and connect with the larger parking lot system of the Bus Garage site. Vehicular access and circulation is acceptable with the following change:

• The new driveway access to Commerce Drive must be at least 22 feet wide.

#### Landscape Plan

Existing landscaping meets landscape plan requirements. The extent of site improvements does not exceed the 25 percent threshold to require compliance with existing regulations. The existing 16 deciduous trees surrounding the proposed parking lot would remain. The tree removed for the new driveway would be relocated elsewhere on site.

#### Fencing

Opaque fencing is required to screen activities of the yard waste site. The applicant has proposed erect a wood fence equal in height to the surrounding chain link fence (10 feet) as follows:



Opaque fencing must be installed along the entire perimeter of the yard waste site to screen activities

#### Lighting Plan

No parking lot lighting is proposed.

#### **Yard Waste Collection Operation**

Tennis Sanitation plans to operate a residential yard waste collection site on the western portion of the expanded parking lot. Operation of the facility is acceptable with the following conditions:

• Submittal of a plan to prevent yard waste debris from washing into the neighboring ditch.

#### **Proximity to Neighboring Well**

The site is in close proximity to a City well. The underlying soils percolate quickly with limited filtration to the aquifer. Operation is acceptable subject to the following:

• The parking lot must continue to be sealed to prevent pollutants from seeping into the soil. The site is in close proximity to a city well on soils that percolate quickly to the aquifer.

#### **Grading and Utility Plans**

The Grading, Drainage, and Erosion Control Plan has been reviewed by the Public Works Department. Site Plan approval is subject to Grading, Drainage and Erosion Control Plan approval by the Public Works Director.

#### RECOMMENDATION

Approval of the Site Plan is recommended subject to the following conditions:

- 1. Conformance with the Planning Commission Staff Report and plans dated November 26<sup>th</sup> 2012.
- 2. Adherence to the approved Plans including Site Plan, Landscape Plan, Grading, Drainage, Erosion Control, and Stormwater Plans.
- 3. Any uncompleted site work (including landscaping) must be escrowed at 125 percent of the estimated value prior to issuance of a certificate of occupancy.
- 4.
- 5. All disturbed areas shall be stabilized with rooting vegetative cover to minimize erosion.
- 6. Disturbed areas shall adhere to the City's property maintenance ordinance.
- 7. Final approval of the Grading, Drainage, and Erosion Control Plan by the Public Works Director.
- 8. Approval is subject to a one year Sunset Clause; if significant progress is not made construction of the proposal within one year of City Council approval, the approval is null and void.
- 9. The new driveway access to Commerce Drive must be at least 22 feet wide.

- 10. Opaque fencing must be installed along the entire perimeter of the yard waste site to screen activities
- 11. Submittal of a plan to prevent yard waste debris from washing into the neighboring ditch.
- 12. The parking lot must continue to be sealed to prevent pollutants from seeping into the soil. The site is in close proximity to a city well on soils that percolate quickly to the aquifer.

#### ATTACHMENTS

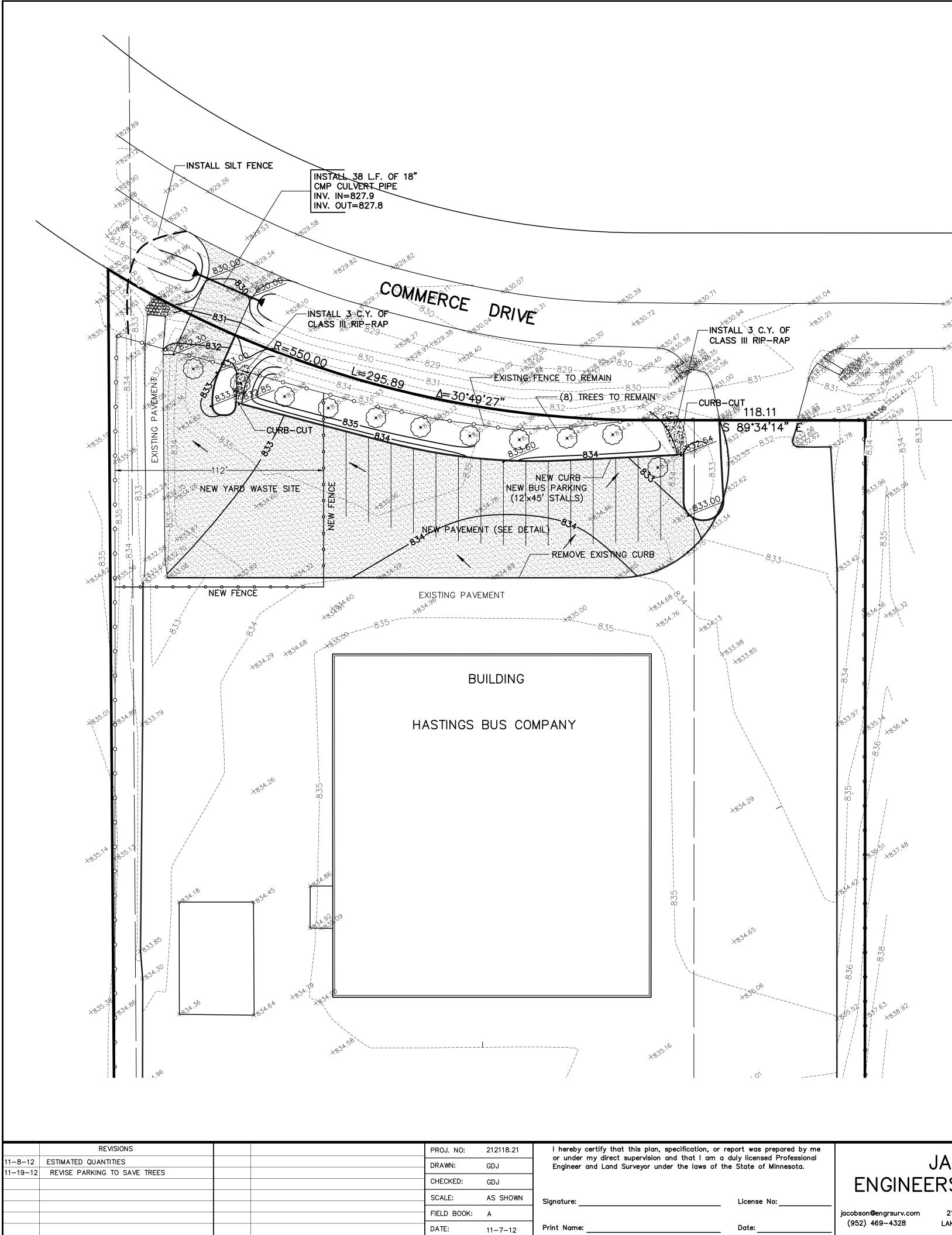
- Location Map
- Site Pictures
- Site Plan
- Application

# LOCATION MAP



# SITE PICTURES



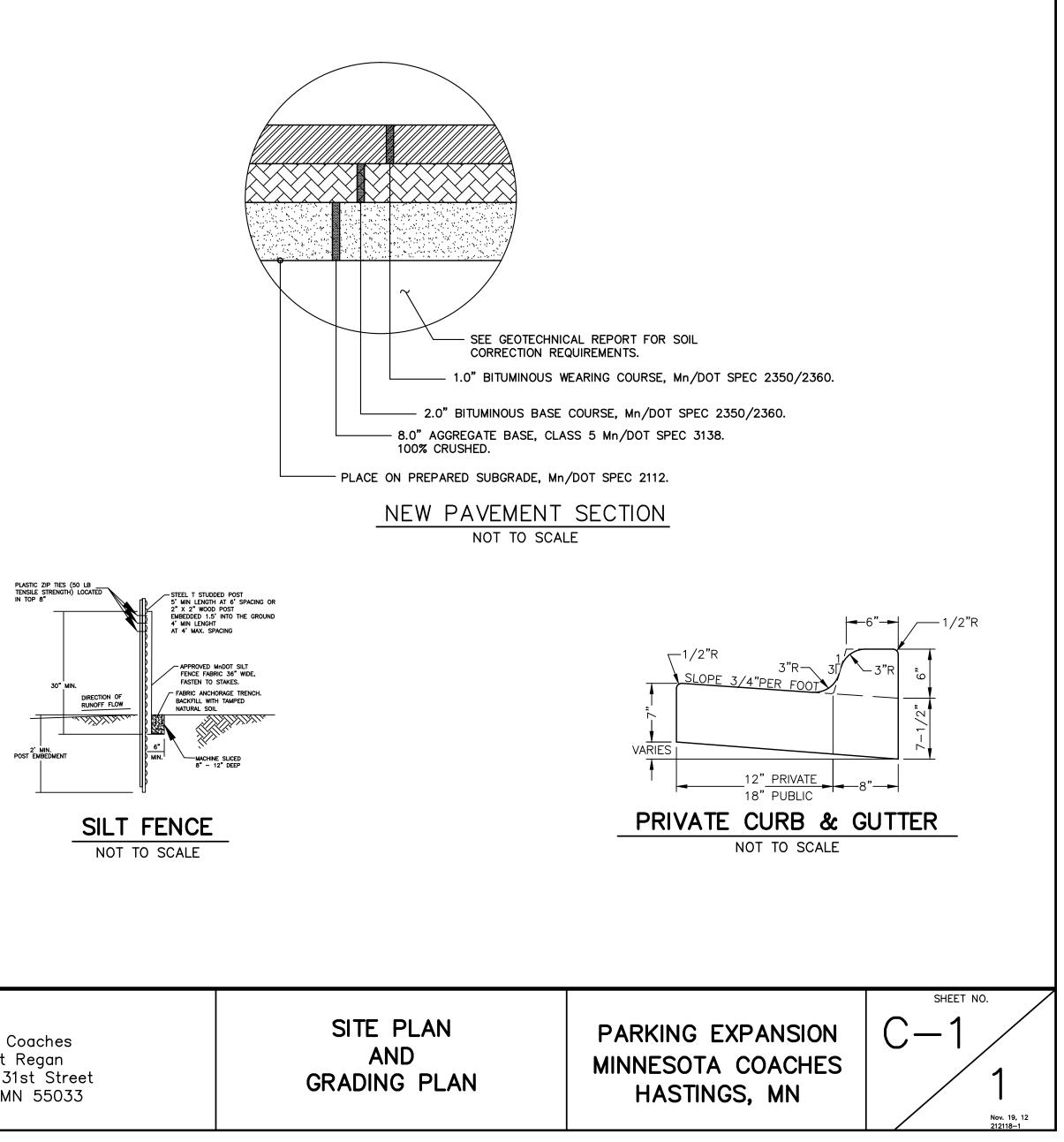


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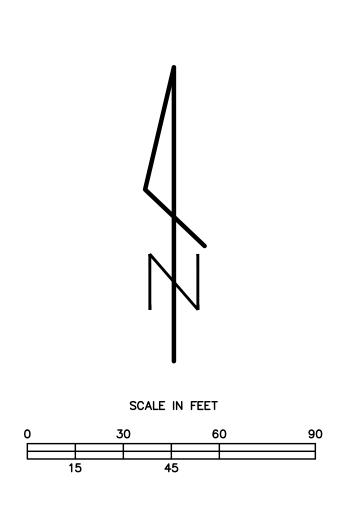
- 1) UTILITIES SHOWN ARE APPROXIMATE LOCATION, CALL GOPHER STATE ONE CALL AT 811 FOR ALL UTILITY, GAS LINE, AND ELECTRICAL LINE LOCATIONS PRIOR TO EXCAVATION.
- 2) BENCHMARK TOP NUT HYDRANT ON SOUTH SIDE OF SITE ELEV. = 837.56
- 3) ALL CONSTRUCTION SHALL BE DONE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE "CITY OF HASTINGS UTILITY AND STREET CONSTRUCTION STANDARD SPECIFICATIONS".
- 4) RE-VEGETATE SITE WITHIN 48 HOURS OF FINAL GRADING.
- 5) CONSTRUCT SILT FENCE AT LOCATIONS SHOWN.

## ESTIMATED QUANTITIES

LENGTH OF NEW CURB B612 = 402 L.F. LENGTH OF NEW FENCE = 215 L.F. AGGREGATE BASE (8") = 1,017 TONS BITUMINOUS BASE (2") = 273 TONS BITUMINOUS WEAR (1") = 136 TONS CURB REMOVAL = 355 L.F.



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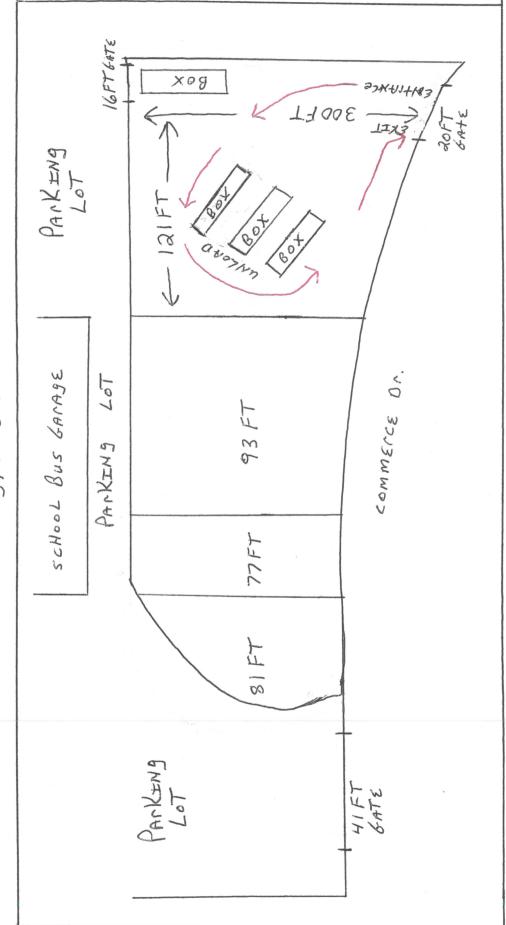


November 19<sup>th</sup>, 2012

Detail on the fencing height, material, and type:



Design will be similar to the above without the middle horizontal piece. The height will remain the same as is currently on site. Material will be cedar.



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If requesting site plan review of multi-family units (three or more attached), are the units intended to be for sale or rental units?

Check Applicable Line(s) Please Note: All Fees and Escrows are due at time of application.

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	Rezone	\$500	Minor Subdivision	\$500
	Final Plat	\$600	Special Use Permit	\$500
	Variance	\$250	Comp Plan Amend.	\$500
	Vacation	\$400	Lot Split/Lot Line Adj.	\$50
	House Move	\$500	Annexation	\$500 plus legal expenses
	Prelim Plat	\$500 + escrow	EAW	\$500 + \$1,000 escrow
N	Site Plan	\$500 + escrow		

Total Amount Due: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Make checks payable to City of Hastings. Credit cards also accepted.

**Land Use Application** 

Please ensure that all copies of required documents are attached.

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