

City Council Memorandum

To: Mayor Fasbender & City Councilmembers

From: Justin Fortney, City Planner

Date: July 15, 2024

Item: Resolution: Site Plan – 2024-14 – Rio Gran Trucking – 601 31st St E

Council Action Requested:

Consider the request by Richard Beskau with Rio Gran Express LLC for site plan approval and act on the attached resolution.

Approval of a site plan requires a simple majority.

Background Information:

In February, HEDRA (Hastings Economic Development and Redevelopment Authority) and Richard Beskau with Rio Gran Express LLC entered into a purchase agreement for the property sale. The use of the site is for a second location for their business at 12260 Margo Ave S, which has been operating for the past 23 years. This site will feature a building to house their semi-trucks indoors, additional indoor parking spots for rent, a designated area for light maintenance work on their own semi-trucks, outdoor parking for semi-trailers, and an office to manage operational tasks.

Please see the attached Planning Commission Staff report from July 8, 2024 for additional information.

Advisory Commission Discussion:

Planning Commissioners discussed the project briefly and voted 5-0 in favor of the proposal at their July 8, 2024 meeting.

No members of the public spoke at the meeting.

Council Committee Discussion:

None

Attachments:

- Site plan resolution
- Planning Commission Staff Report July 8, 2024
- Site plans

HASTINGS CITY COUNCIL

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HASTINGS GRANTING SITE PLAN APPROVAL FOR TRUCKING LOCATED AT 601 31ST STREET EAST

Council member		introduced the following Resolution and	
	moved its adoption:		

WHEREAS, Richard Beskau with Rio Gran Express LLC has petitioned for Site Plan approval to construct a trucking facility generally located at 601 31st St E, legally described as Lot 6, Block 2, HASTINGS INDUSTRIAL PARK NO 6 ADDITION, Dakota County, Minnesota; and

WHEREAS, on July 8, 2024, review was conducted before the Planning Commission of the City of Hastings as required by state law, city charter, and city ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission recommended approval of the site plan to the City Council, subject to the conditions contained in this resolution; and

WHEREAS, The City Council has reviewed the request and concurs with the recommendation of the Planning Commission.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HASTINGS AS FOLLOWS:

That the City Council hereby approves the special use permit as presented to the City Council subject to the conditions:

- 1) Conformance with the Planning Commission Staff Report and plans dated July 8, 2024.
- 2) All disturbed areas of the property shall be stabilized with rooting vegetative cover to eliminate erosion problems.
- 3) Any uncompleted site work must be escrowed at 125 percent of the estimated value prior to issuance of a certificate of occupancy.
- 4) The perimeter of the site must have erosion control, as approved by the City Engineering Department.

- 5) The City Engineering Department must approve any required drainage plan.
- 6) Approval is subject to a one-year Sunset Clause; if significant progress is not made towards the proposal within one year of City Council approval, the approval is null and void.
- 7) A right-of-way permit must be issued for any work in the right-of-way.
- 8) No outdoor unscreened storage is allowed.

Council member	moved a second to this resolution and upon
being put to a vote adopted by	moved a second to this resolution and upon present.
Ayes:	
Nays:	
Absent:	
ATTEST:	
Mary Fasbender Mayor	
Kelly Murtaugh City Clerk	
and adopted by the City of Hastings	re is a true and correct copy of resolution presented to s, County of Dakota, Minnesota, on the 15 th of July, 5 th the City of Hastings on file and of record in the
Kelly Murtaugh City Clerk	(SEAL)
This instrument drafted by:	(SEAL)
City of Hastings (JJF)	
101 East 4 th Street	
Hastings, Minnesota 55033	



Planning Commission Memorandum

To: Planning Commission

From: Justin Fortney, City Planner

Date: July 8, 2024

Item: Site Plan – 2024-14 – Rio Gran Trucking – 601 31st St E

Planning Commission Action Requested: The Planning Commission is asked to review the proposed site plan and make a recommendation to the City Council.

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Site Plan Review

Comprehensive Plan Classification

The 2040 Comprehensive Plan designates this area as Industrial.

Zoning Classification

The subject property is zoned I-1 Industrial.

Adjacent Zoning and Land Use

<u>Direction</u>	Existing Use	Zoning	Comp Plan
North	Light Industrial	I-1	Industrial
East	Light Industrial	I-1	Industrial
South (31st)	Residencial	R-3	Medium Density Residential
West	Light Industrial	I-1	Industrial

Existing Condition

The site is mostly flat, unimproved, grass, with a few trees in the rear.

Building Setbacks

Setbacks in the I-1 Industrial district are determined at the time of site plan review. The proposed building setbacks are adequate with the building being centered and surrounded with parking and maneuvering area.

Vehicular Access and Circulation

The site is laid out to maximize maneuvering area for semi-trailers. There are two entrances to also aid in maneuverability.

Parking

The main purpose of the building is for parking of semi-trucks. The project proponents indicate that passenger vehicles would likely be driven to the site and switched with the semi-trucks in the building. There are only four passenger vehicle spaces delineated on the site. Parking standards for this sized building would require about 22 spaces if it were used for something other than parking. A proof of parking plan shows how the full parking requirements can be met if the use were to change and semi-trailer parking was changed to passenger vehicles.

Architectural Standards

Architectural standards require 65% class 1&2 materials, with at least 25% being class 1 for elevations visible from the street. Class 1 includes (brick, stone, glass, etc.) and class 2 including materials meant to mimic class 1 materials and composite products. The proposed building façade facing the street includes a lot of glass and some brick, which are class I materials. The class II materials used including burnished CMU block and Nichiha fiber cement Panels. Many of these materials wrap around to the west side of the building.

The site plan shows an overheard door on the east side of the building but is not shown on the elevation drawings.

Landscaping

Based on the site size and amount of pavement, the zoning ordinance requires the following number of plantings, as proposed. A tree inventory was provided showing the only large trees were Siberian Elm, which are invasive.

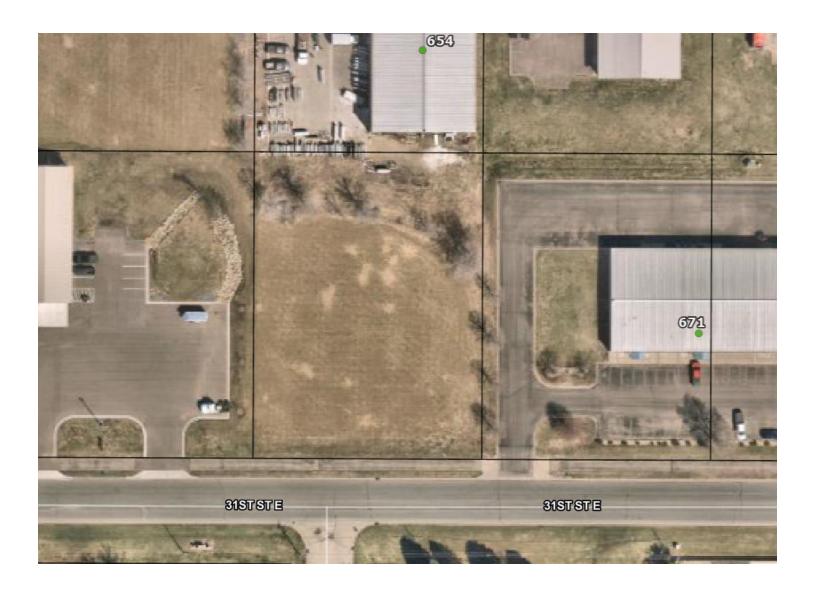
Type	Required	Proposed
Trees	27	27
Shrubs	22	22

Lighting

The proposed photometric plan shows light levels at the property lines to be below the limit of one foot-candle.

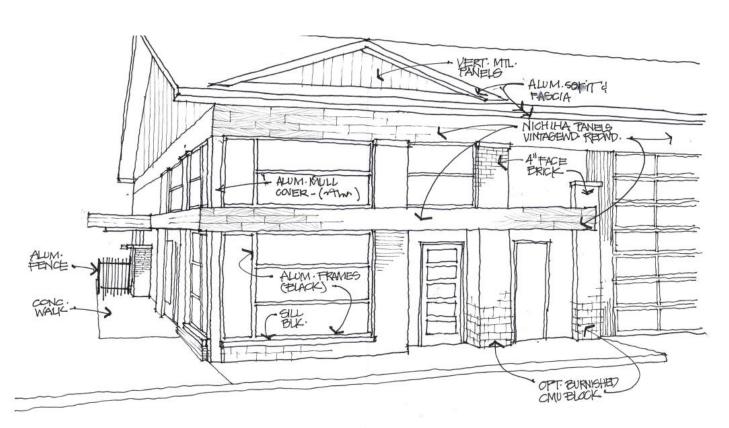
Attachments:

- Aerial Photograph
- Elevation Drawings
- Site Plans

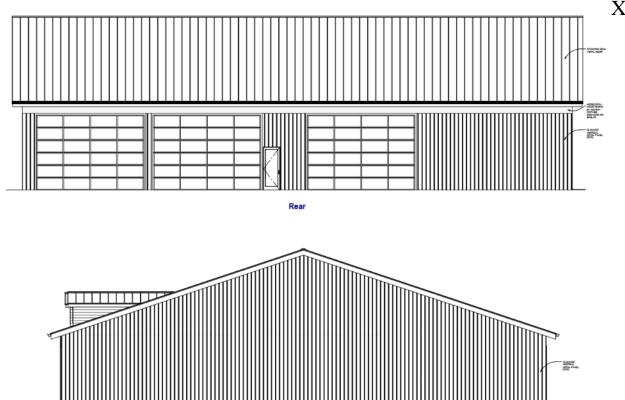








THE SHOP ON 31St



Note: a garage door is proposed on this east elevation



