Letter of Intent

Administrative Amendment of Rural Home Occupation Special Use Approved by the Board of County Commissioners on June 22, 2021 (AL-18-024)

> Gone Trucking, LLC 21255 Calle Pacifico Point Fountain, Colorado 80817 Owner: Gary Meisman

> > Please add "PCD File No. AL-22-001" and update page footers accordingly.

March 22, 2022

I. <u>Owner/Applicant and Consultant.</u>

Gone Trucking, LLC is owned by Gary Meisman. The Owner/Applicant and Consultant contact information is as follows:

Owner/Applicant:

Gary Meisman 612 Harvard Street Colorado Springs, Colorado 80911 (719) 322-9609 garymeisman12@gmail.com

Consultant:

Debra Eiland, Esq. Law Offices of Debra Eiland, P.C. 24 S. Weber Street, Suite 300 Colorado Springs, Colorado 80903 (719) 471-1545 debra@eilandlawfirm.com There is no justification in this section. You need to include an analysis of how the current request meets the special use criteria in Sec. 5.3.2.

How is this relevant to the current request? Is this business currently existing on the property. Please include a discussion of any current activities / structures / uses on the property. I understand from this section that the trucking business use is approved, but has it been initiated yet or is the property still vacant?

II. <u>Site Location, Size and Zoning.</u>

Mr. Meisman's property is a parcel of vacant land located at 21255 Calle Pacifico Point, Fountain, Colorado. The property borders Villa Casitas subdivision to the North and West, Interstate 25 to the East, and the El Paso/Pueblo County line to the South. The property is accessible from Exit 119 off I-25 (Rancho Colorado Boulevard). The property consists of one parcel of 38.86 acres, and is listed under Assessor's Schedule Number 5735000001.¹ The property is zoned RR-5, Residential Rural. A parcel map showing the property is attached hereto.

III. <u>Request and Justification.</u>

Mr. Meisman has operated a small aggregate hauling business for the past 14 vears. The business delivers dirt and asphalt materials for road construction and maintenance projects within a 100 mile radius of the Pikes Peak region. The business is seasonal, and operates primarily during the Summer months.

Mr. Meisman purchased the 21255 Calle Pacifico Point property in December 2017. Mr. Meisman plans to build a house and shop on the property, and to operate his business there as a rural home based business.

¹The Assessor's record shows the parcel size is 40.2 acres. However, a recent land survey established the accurate measurement to be 38.86 acres. An updated Land Survey Plat was recorded in the records of the El Paso County Clerk and Recorder on June 17, 2019, at Reception Number 219900099, a copy of which is filed with this Application.

The Board of County Commissioners approved Mr. Meisman's application for the rural home occupation special use on June 22, 2021 (AL-18-024). This application is for an administrative amendment to the special use approval

IV. <u>Proposed Facilities, Structures, Roads, etc.</u>

The property consists of 38.86 acres of vacant land. Mr. Meisman will develop the land as follows:

1) Build a single family residence for the Meisman family (approximately 3,200 square feet ranch style). Regional Building approved Mr. Meisman's plans for the residence on June 23, 2020 (Plan No. R128052).

2) Simultaneously with, or after building the residence, Mr. Meisman will build a 50' \times 80' (4,000 sf) shop for his trucking business.

3) An outdoor storage area for trucks and business equipment will be located behind the shop building, which will be screened by a natural ridge on the south, west, and north sides and a 6' opaque privacy fence where visible to adjoining properties to the east.

On June 22, 2021, the El Paso County Board of County Commissioners ("BOCC") issued a special use approval to allow the rural home occupation at Mr. Meisman's property that will include the outdoor storage of heavy equipment for Mr. Meisman's business. A copy of the BOCC's resolution is attached as Exhibit A.

At the public hearing Mr. Meisman's representative and the County Planning Department presented site plans that show slightly different locations for the outdoor storage area. On the plan presented by the County, the storage area is shown in an area surrounding the proposed shop building, which would require fencing all around to screen it from adjoining properties. However, on the plan presented by Mr. Meisman's representative, the storage area is located behind the shop building and surrounded by a naturally occurring 50' ridge that will block the view of the storage area from most adjoining properties. Copies of these two plans are attached as Exhibit B and Exhibit C.

As shown on Exhibit B, Mr. Meisman's proposal is to locate the outdoor storage area behind the shop building where it will be screened from view of adjoining properties to the south, west, and north by the natural ridge, and by a 6' opaque privacy fence where it might otherwise be visible to adjoining properties to the east. If the outdoor storage area were placed around the proposed shop building as shown on Exhibit C, it would be more visible to adjoining properties, and would not blend into the natural topography because it would have to be surrounded by fencing.

Remove this paragraph and the site plan included as Exhibit B. The Exhibit C site plan is the one we have on file that would represent the approved site plan.

The BOCC's approval is limited to the home trucking use that was discussed at the BOCC's hearing. *No changes to that use are requested.* The sole purpose of this application for an administrative amendment is to confirm that the site plan showing the outdoor storage area located behind the shop building and screened by the surrounding 50' ridge is the correct site plan for this use.

V. <u>Waiver Requests.</u>

No waivers are requested at this time.

VI. <u>Criteria for Approval.</u>

The BOCC found that Mr. Meisman's application met the criteria contained in Section 5.3.2 of the LUC for approval of the special use. <u>See</u>, Exhibit A, BOCC Resolution No. 21-252 at p. 2.

Condition number 1 of the BOCC's Resolution states that: "Approval is limited to the home trucking use as discussed and depicted in the applicant's letter of intent and the attached site plan exhibit." <u>Id.</u> This condition refers to the letter of intent and the site plan exhibit that were presented at the BOCC hearing. Since two different versions of the site plan were presented at the hearing, one by Mr. Meisman (Exhibit B), and one by the County (Exhibit C), it is not clear to which site plan this Condition refers.

One of the criteria for approval of a special use is that the use "will be in harmony with the character of the neighborhood, and will generally be compatible with the existing and allowable land uses in the surrounding area." This criteria is positively met by locating the outdoor storage area behind the shop building where it will be screened on three sides by the natural 50' ridge.

This letter also needs to include an analysis of Land Development Code Sec. 5.2.40 Outside Storage. I have copied the Code section below. Please demonstrate compliance with this criteria in addition to the special use criteria.

5.2.40. Outside Storage

- (A) Applicability. All outside storage is subject to the requirements of this Section.
- (B) Outside Storage Standards. Outside storage shall meet the following standards.
 - (1) Materials to be Stored and Principal Use Required. Outside storage may include vehicles, raw materials, supplies, finished or semi-finished products or equipment used in conjunction with, and specifically accessory to, an allowed principal use conducted on the premises unless listed as a principal use. Outside storage of inoperable vehicles or equipment in a location other than the salvage yard is only permitted to the extent allowed in the Parking, Storage and Repair of Vehicles and Machines, Personal Section of Chapter 5 of this Code, provided the standards of that section are met. Employee or customer parking or outdoor sales and display areas shall not be considered outside storage.
 - (2) Materials Screened by Solid Fence or Vegetation. Outside storage shall be enclosed and concealed by a solid fence or wall at least 6 feet in height or any combination of berming, shrubs, trees fencing or walls which will provide at maturity a minimum of 6 feet of height and 100% opaque screening for the area utilized for outside storage.
 - (3) Outside Storage Not to Exceed Height of Screening. Outside storage or stacked materials shall not exceed the height of the screening fence except for operable vehicles, trailers, or other equipment designed to be towed or lifted as a single component.
 - (4) Storage of Equipment and Vehicles Exceeding Height of Fence. All equipment and vehicles exceeding the height of the fence shall be stored on the rear ½ of the property except when adjacent to a residential zoning district, in which case the equipment or vehicles shall be a minimum 50 feet from the residential zoning district boundary.
 - (5) Storage Adjacent to Road. Outside storage is allowed within the required setback area from a road provided that the storage area does not occupy more than 50% of the lineal frontage at the right-of-way.
 - (6) No Storage in Required Landscape Area. Outside storage shall not be allowed within any required landscaped area.
 - (7) Screening Fence Waived Between Adjacent Storage Areas. When outside storage areas abut each other and are not visible from public areas, administrative relief may be sought from the requirement for a solid fence between the outdoor storage areas.
 - (8) Salvage Yards and Solid Waste Landfills. Salvage yards and solid waste landfills are not regarded as outside storage, but salvage yards are required to meet the screening standards of this Section.
 - (9) Temporary Storage. Administrative relief from the outside storage standards may be sought in association with approved temporary uses.
- (10) Landscaping Requirements to be Met. Outside storage shall comply with the landscaping requirements in this Chapter.
- (C) Relationship to Site Development Plan. Outside storage areas shall be so identified on the site development plan prior to the establishment of the outside storage use.

El Paso County Assessor's Office

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EXHIBIT A

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RESOLUTION NO. 21-252

EL PASO COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, STATE OF COLORADO

APPROVAL OF A SPECIAL USE TO ALLOW A RURAL HOME OCCUPATION THAT WILL INCLUDE OUTSIDE STORAGE OF HEAVY EQUIPMENT FOR GARY MEISMAN OF GONE TRUCKING, LLC WITHIN THE RR-5 (Residential Rural) ZONING DISTRICT (AL-18-024)

WHEREAS, GARY MEISMAN, did file an application with the El Paso County Planning and Community Development Department for approval of a rural home occupation that will include outside storage of heavy equipment within the RR-5 (Residential Rural) zoning district for property in the unincorporated area of El Paso County as described in Exhibit A, which is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing was held by the El Paso County Planning Commission on June 3, 2021, upon which date the Planning Commission did by formal resolution recommend approval of the application with conditions and notations; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing was held by this Board on June 22, 2021; and

WHEREAS, based on the evidence, testimony, exhibits, consideration of the master plan for the unincorporated area of the County, presentation and comments of the El Paso County Planning and Community Development Department and other County representatives, comments of public officials and agencies, comments from all interested persons, comments by the general public, comments by the El Paso County Planning Commission Members, and comments by the Board of County Commissioners during the hearing, this Board finds as follows:

- 1. The application was properly submitted for consideration by the Planning Commission.
- 2. Proper posting, publication and public notice was provided as required by law for the hearing before the Planning Commission.
- 3. That the hearings before the Planning Commission and Board of County Commissioners were extensive and complete, all pertinent facts, matters and issues were submitted and reviewed, and all interested persons were heard at those hearings.
- 4. All exhibits were received into evidence.

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5. The proposed land use does not permit the use of an area containing a commercial mineral deposit in a manner which would interfere with the present or future extraction of such deposit by an extractor.

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 5.3.2 of the <u>El Paso County Land Development Code</u>, as amended, in approving this special use, this Board considered one or more of the following criteria:

- 1. The special use is generally consistent with the applicable Master Plan;
- 2. The special use will generally be in harmony with the character of the neighborhood, and will generally be compatible with the existing and allowable land uses in the surrounding area;
- 3. The impact of the special use does not overburden or exceed the capacity of public facilities and services, or, in the alternative, the special use application demonstrates that it will provide adequate public facilities in a timely and efficient manner;
- 4. The special use will not create unmitigated traffic congestion or traffic hazards in the surrounding area, and has adequate, legal access;
- 5. The special use will comply with all applicable local, state, and federal laws and regulations regarding air, water, light, or noise pollution;
- 6. The special use will not otherwise be detrimental to the public health, safety and welfare of the present or future residents of El Paso County; and/or
- 7. The special use conforms or will conform to all other applicable County rules, regulations or ordinances.
- 8. That for the above-stated and other reasons, the proposed special use is in the best interest of the health, safety, morals, convenience, order, prosperity and welfare of the citizens of El Paso County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the EI Paso County Board of County Commissioners, Colorado, hereby approves the application for a special use to allow a rural home occupation that will include outside storage of heavy equipment within the RR-5 (Residential Rural) zoning district.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the following conditions and notations shall be placed upon this approval:

CONDITIONS

1. Approval is limited to the home trucking use as discussed and depicted in the applicant's letter of intent and the attached site plan exhibit.

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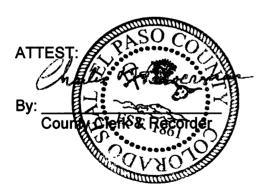
- 2. Within ninety (90) days of special use approval, the applicant shall apply for and receive approval of a commercial site development plan. The deadline for receipt of approval of the site development plan may be extended by the PCD Director, at his or her discretion, if the Director fins that the applicant has made a good faith effort to secure such approval.
- 3. Prior to approval of a site development plan for the trucking business, the proposed single-family dwelling must be constructed. The home occupation use shall not operate on the property until the proposed single-family dwelling is constructed and receives a Certificate of Occupancy from the Pikes Peak Regional Building Department.

NOTATIONS

- Special use approval includes conditions of approval and the accompanying site plan and elevation drawings. No substantial expansion, enlargement, intensification or modification shall be allowed except upon reevaluation and public hearing as specified in the <u>EI Paso County Land Development Code</u>.
- 2. The Board of County Commissioners may consider revocation and/or suspension if zoning regulations and/or special use conditions/standards are being violated, preceded by notice and public hearing.
- 3. If the special use is discontinued or abandoned for two (2) years or longer, the special use shall be deemed abandoned and of no further force and effect.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the record and recommendations of the El Paso County Planning Commission be adopted, except as modified herein.

DONE THIS 22nd day of June, 2021, at Colorado Springs, Colorado.



BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS EL PASO COUNTY, COLORADO

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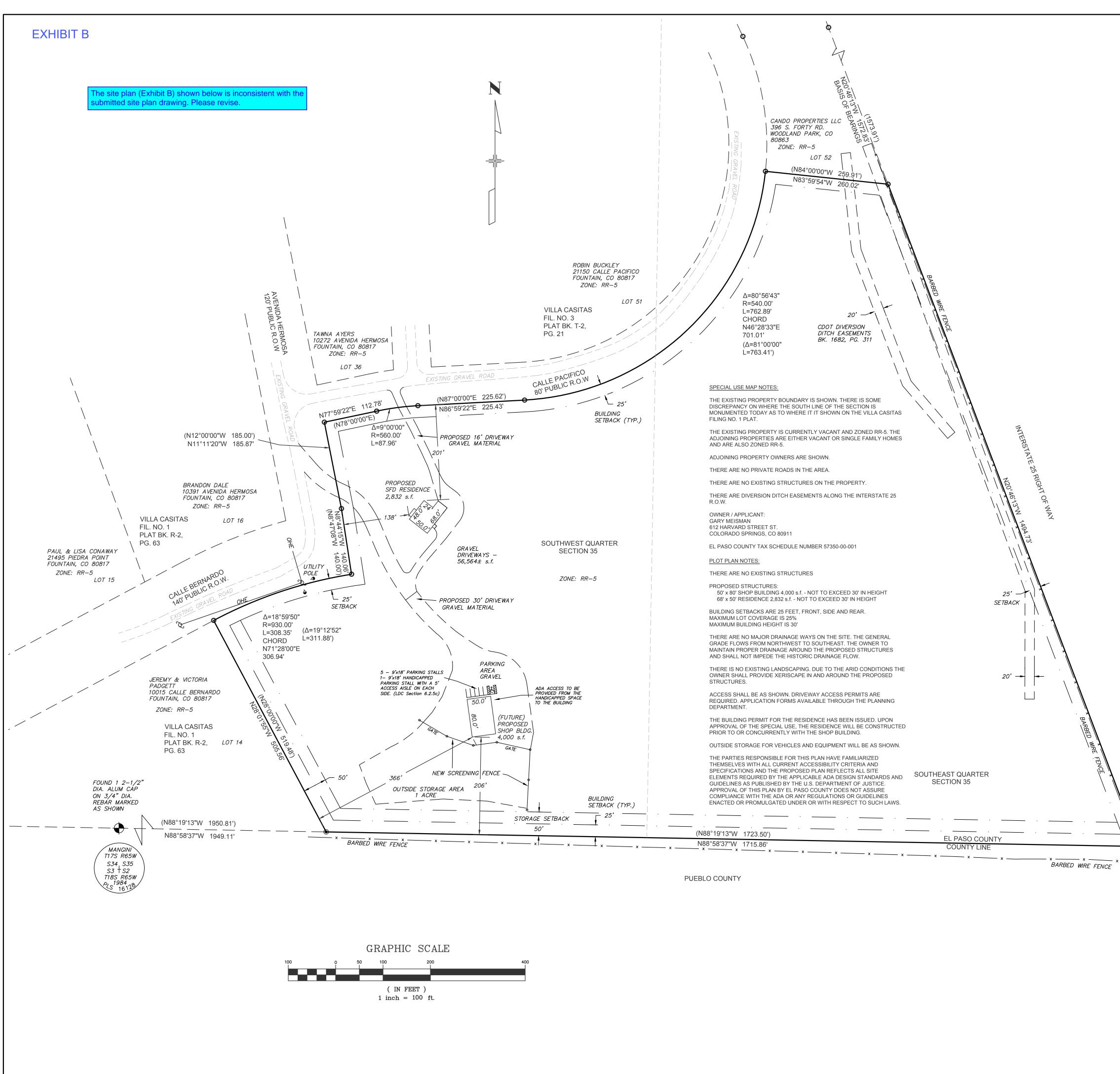
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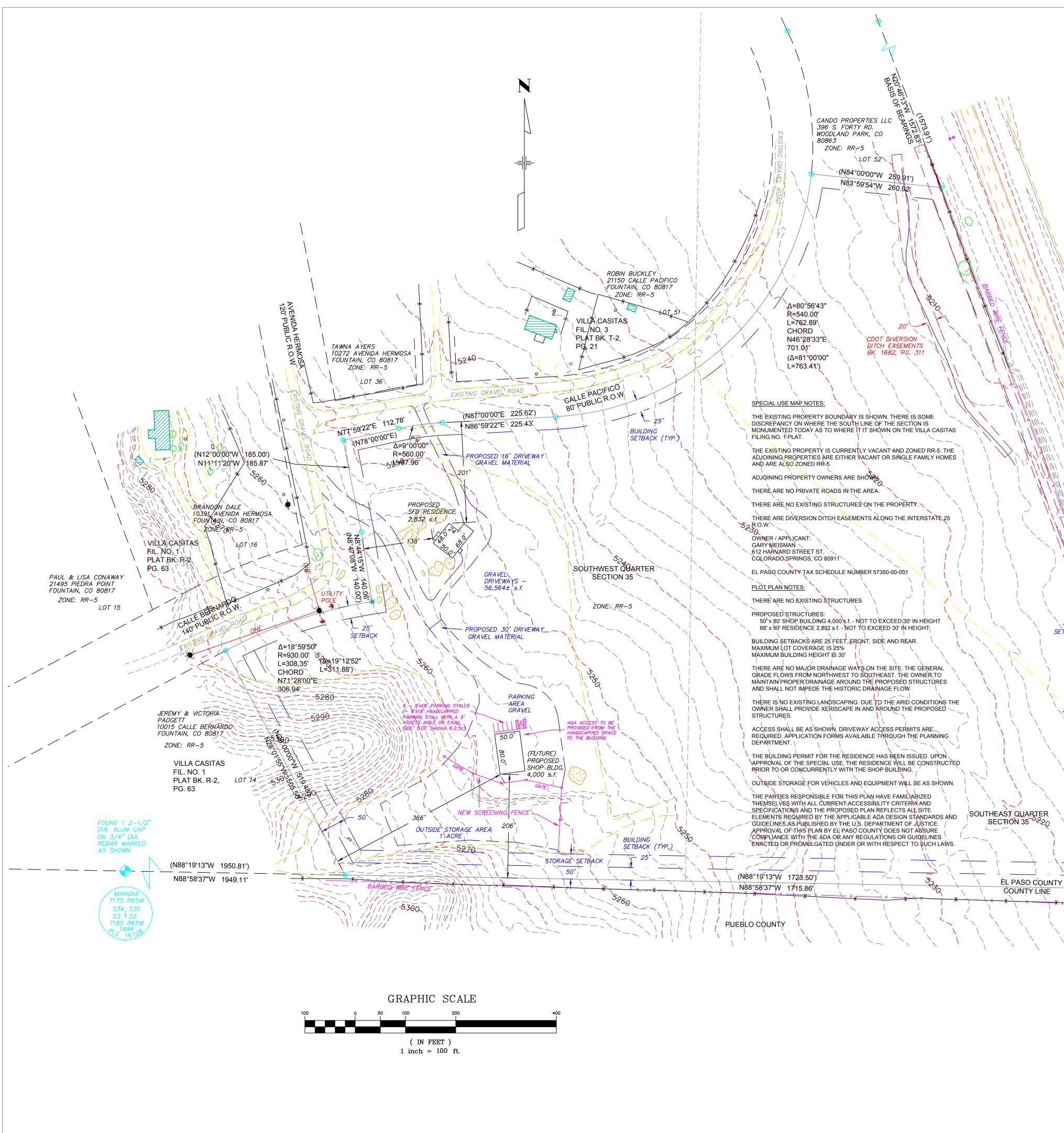
THE DESCRIBED TRACT CONTAINS 38.86 ACRES, MORE OR LESS, AS MEASURED.¹

¹ The Assessor's reported area is generated from historic mapping sources when an area is not provided in a deed. The survey plat prepared by LWA Land Surveying, Inc. shows the correct area. LWA Land Surveying is filing a Land Survey Plat in the County records showing the found survey monumentation and the area of the property as field measured, and will petition the Assessor to amend the area in their records.

EXHIBIT B



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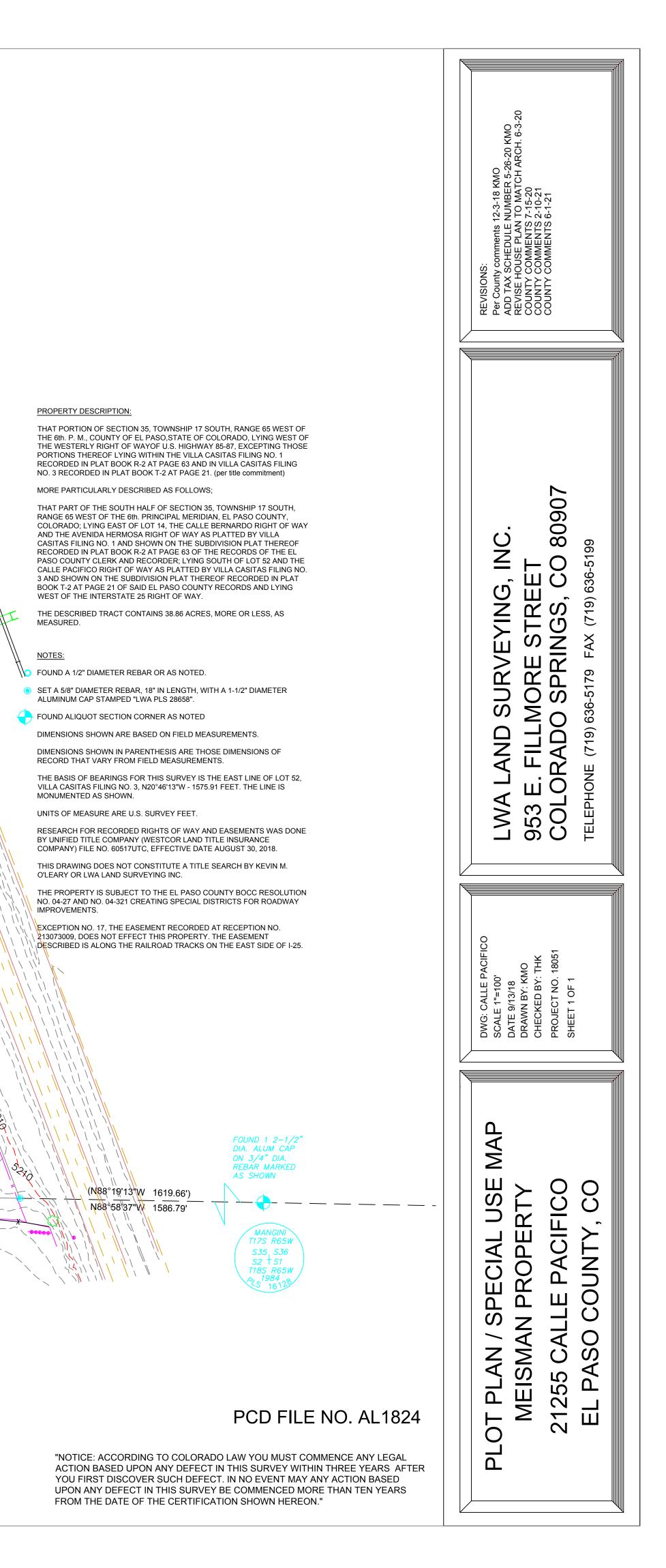
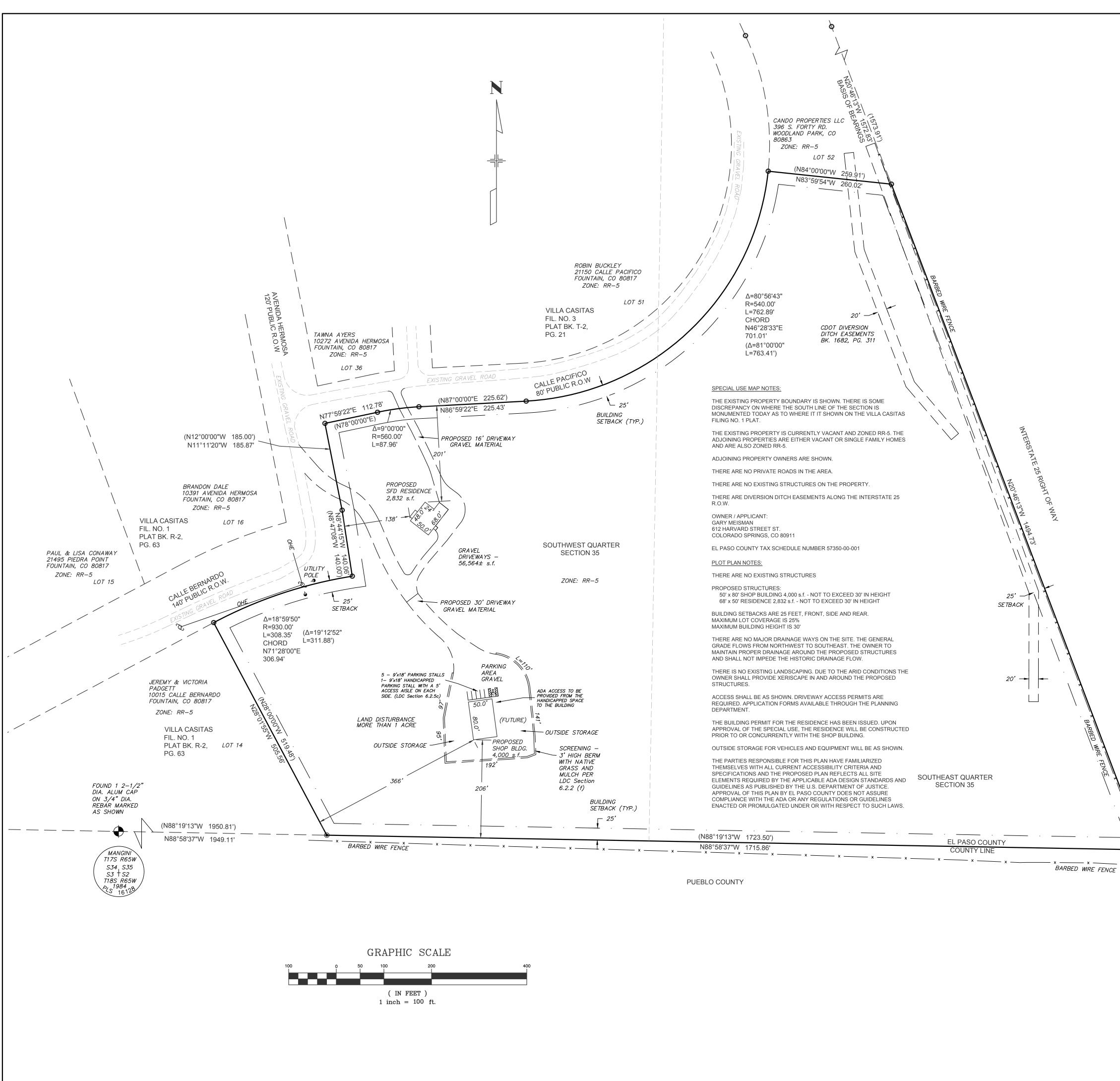


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