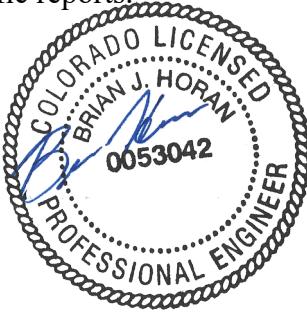


Traffic Engineer's Statement

The attached traffic report and supporting information were prepared under my responsible charge and they comport with the standard of care. So far as is consistent with the standard of care, said report was prepared in general conformance with the criteria established by the County for traffic reports.



Brian Horan, 00553042



8/20/24
Date

Developer's Statement

I, the Developer, have read and will comply with all commitments made on my behalf within this report.

Julie Shoemaker
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Date

To: Elizabeth Nijkamp
Engineer Manager, El Paso County

From: Brian Horan, PE, PTOE

Date: August 19, 2024

Re: **Vantage Homes Storage: Traffic Memorandum**
El Paso County, CO



INTRODUCTION

This traffic memorandum has been prepared in support of the Vantage Homes (the Applicant) Conditional Use Permit (CUP) application as required by El Paso County Engineering Criteria Manual (ECM). performed in support of an approximately 16.03-acre lot in the County of El Paso, Colorado. Generally, the site is located south of Woodmen Road and Adventure Way, east of Utah Lane and bisected by Nevada Lane. Specifically, the site is located on Parcels 5308000082, 5308000071, and 5308000002 and is currently vacant. The site location is shown on Figure 1.



Figure 1 – Site Location



The Applicant proposes to develop the site with a storage facility with up to 1,152 storage units available for rent. The storage unit types consist of both covered and uncovered recreational vehicle (RV)/boat units, enclosed RV/boat units, climate-controlled units, and ambient storage units. A full-sized copy of the site plan is provided as Attachment I.

EXISTING CONDITIONS

The site is currently minimally developed with a commercial landscaping use (contractor equipment yard) and a single-family residence.

Adventure Way is classified as a collector by the County of El Paso and runs east-west. It serves as a frontage road for Woodman Road along the south side. Adventure Way is a paved two-lane roadway with a posted speed limit of 35 miles per hour (mph).

Utah Lane is classified as a local private roadway by the County of El Paso and runs north-south. It is an unimproved gravel surface road. There is an assumed speed limit of 25 mph. Utah Lane intersects Adventure way and operates under STOP-control.

Nevada Lane is classified as a local private roadway by the County of El Paso and runs north-south. It is currently an unimproved gravel surface road providing private access to a single family residence. There is an assumed speed limit of 25 mph. Nevada Lane intersects Adventure way and operates under STOP-control.

PROPOSED CONDITIONS

As shown on the site plan provided as Attachment 1, the site is proposed to be accessed via one access location along Adventure Way in the location of the current Nevada Lane intersection. The proposed access is appropriately located centralized on the site's Adventure Way frontage to provide adequate spacing from the adjacent properties and their respective access points. The Applicant proposes to redevelop the site with a recreational vehicle storage and mini-storage use with up to 1,152 storage units.

The Major Transportation Corridor Plan (MTCP) was reviewed to determine if any roadway improvements were anticipated in the immediate study area. No such improvements were identified. Additionally, at the time of this writing, no improvements from area development were identified that would impact the proposed development.

TRIP GENERATION

Trip generation forecasts for the site were based on rates/equations published in the Institute of Transportation Engineers (ITE) Trip Generation Manual, 11th Edition and industry standard methodologies. The trip generation estimates of the proposed development are provided in Table 1 below. The use is expected to generate 16 AM peak hour, 13 PM peak hour, and 207 average daily trips upon completion.

Table 1 – Trip Generation

Table 1
Vantage Homes Woodmen-Utah Storage Facility
Site Trip Generation

Land Use	Land Use Code	Amount	Units	AM Peak Hour			PM Peak Hour			Average Daily Trips
				In	Out	Total	In	Out	Total	
Mini-Warehouse	151	1,152	Units	8	8	16	7	6	13	207

Note(s):

(1) Trip generation based on the Institute of Transportation Engineers' Trip Generation Manual, 11th Edition

Per the County's ECM, Appendix B, a traffic memorandum is required for developments generating daily vehicle trips less than or equal to 500 vehicles per day (VPD) or peak hour trip generation between 21 and 50 vehicles per hour (VPH). As shown in Table 1, the proposed development's trip generation would warrant a traffic memorandum.

These site trips would be distributed to the proposed single access point along Adventure Way at the existing Adventure Way/Nevada Lane intersection. This access point is most appropriate as it is an existing access point and is equidistance between the existing Utah Lane and Aspect Point access points west and east, respectively, along Adventure Way. The site trips would represent fewer than 10 vehicles in or out of the site during the peak hour. As required by the County an assessment of 20-year projections for this area would suggest minimal increase. Adventure Way terminates to the east and would limit potential area growth. It is anticipated that short- and long-range forecasts at the entrance would remain relatively consistent with existing conditions.

Based on the trip generation contained herein, the proposed development would not significantly impact the surrounding corridor. Delays associated with the proposed development are expected to be minimal. Therefore, peak hour access levels of service (LOS) are expected to achieve "D" or better.

PEDESTRIAN AND BICYCLE FACILITIES

Currently, no sidewalks or shared use paths exist along either side of Adventure Way, Utah Lane or Nevada Lane. Additionally, no on-street bicycle facilities exist along Adventure Way, Utah Lane, or Nevada Lane. There are no planned bicycle or pedestrian facility improvements planned by the County of El Paso, the City of Colorado Springs, or from area developments along the area of the project frontages.

TURN LANE WARRANTS

An assessment of turn lanes is provided as required per ECM Chapter 2 Section 2.3.7. D which provides the following:

1. Exclusive Left Turn Lane Required:
 - "A left turn lane is required for any access with a projected peak hour ingress turning volume of 25 VPH or greater"
2. Exclusive Right Turn Lane Required
 - "A right turn lane is required for any access with a projected peak hour right turning volume of 50 VPH or great. An acceleration lane is generally not required"

As shown in Table 1 ingress volume is anticipated to be 8 VPH in the AM and 7 VPH in the PM peak hours. Adventure Way dead ends to the east, so it is anticipated all site traffic would be oriented to the west. The ingress site traffic would make an eastbound right turn into the site. The forecasted peak hour volumes are well below the warrant thresholds and would not trigger a turn lane.

SIGHT DISTANCE

Adventure Way is a relatively straight, flat, two-lane roadway with a posted speed limit of 35-mph. Adventure Way has no visual obstructions on its southern side. Necessary sight distances will be provided at the proposed access point.

EXISTING ROADWAY SIGNING AND STRIPING

Existing roadway striping along Adventure Way within the project area is appropriate and adequately visible. A W1-7 Two Direction Large Arrow sign may need to be located on the north side of Adventure Way opposite the proposed access point.

CONCLUSIONS

The conclusions of this analysis are as follows:

1. The subject site is a standalone project in the County of El Paso, Colorado.
2. The proposed project is forecasted to generate 16 new AM trips, 13 new PM trips, and 207 new daily trips on average.
3. Based on the trip generation contained herein, the proposed development would not significantly impact the surrounding roadways. Short- and long-range forecasts for the access locations would remain generally consistent with existing conditions.
4. The proposed access point is most appropriate as it is an existing access point and is equidistance between the existing Utah Lane and Aspect Point access points west and east, respectively, along Adventure Way

5. Peak hour access levels of service (LOS) are expected to provide acceptable LOS of "D" or better.
6. Turn lanes would not be required at any of the proposed access locations.
7. Adequate sight distance will be provided at the proposed access point.
8. No improvements are required or recommended above and beyond what is required on site for the construction of the use.
9. Road Impact Fees will be due by the Applicant at the last land use approval consistent with the use and Impact Fee schedule.

We trust that the information contained herein satisfies the request of the County of El Paso, Colorado. If you have any questions or need further information, please contact Brian Horan at BrianHoran@GallowayUS.com or 303-770-8884.

Attachment I

Site Plan



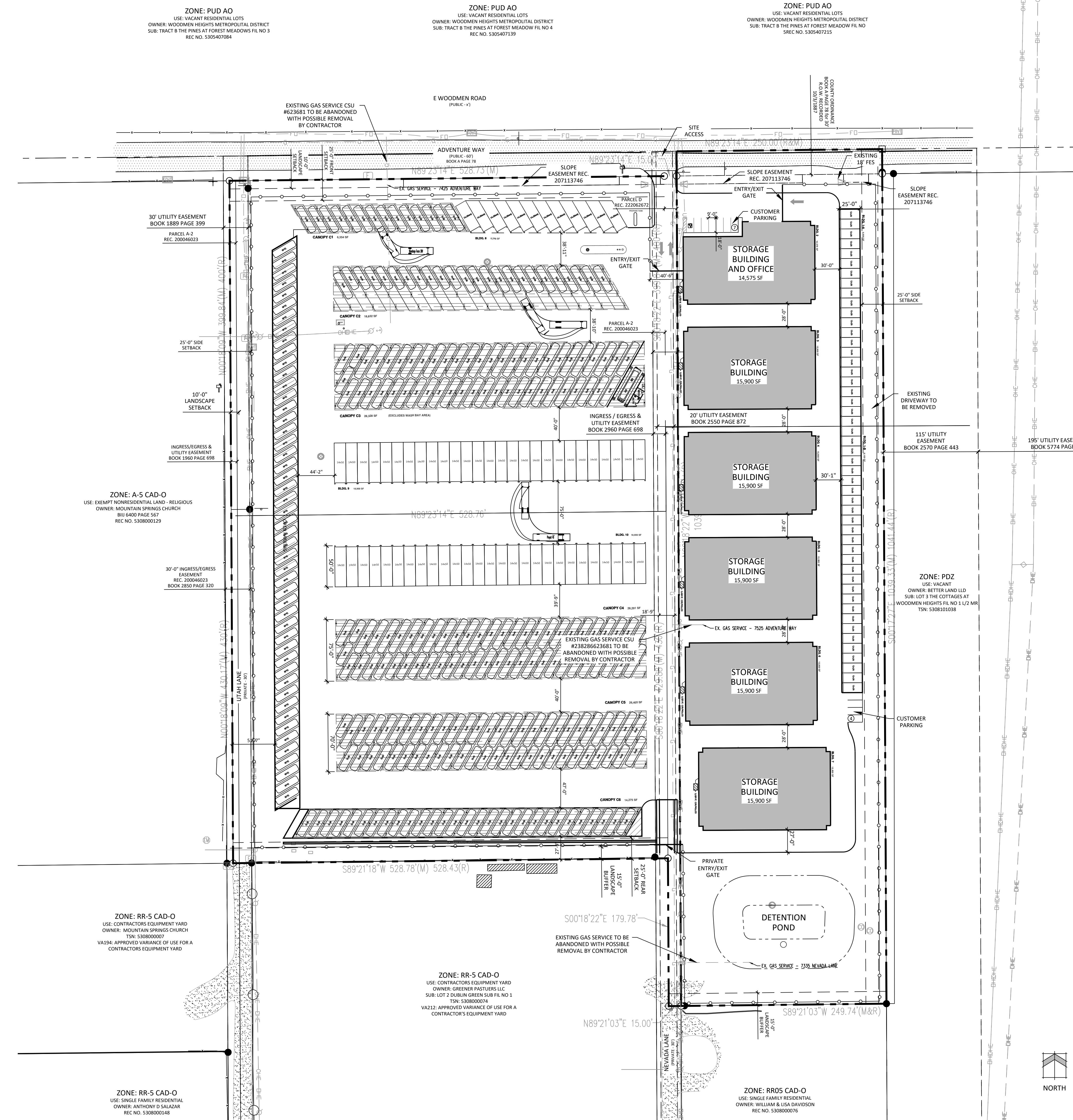
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