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October 10, 2024

Paul J. Drury, Jr., AICP Planning and Zoning Director Anderson Township 7850 Five Mile Road Anderson Township, Ohio 45230-2356



Re: Notice of Refusal of Zoning Certificate: 4455 Mt. Carmel Road (Parcel ID 500-

0081-0032), Anderson Township, OH 45244

Dear Mr. Drury,

Evans Gravel Inc. (the "Owner") has received notice of the denial of a Zoning Certificate by the Anderson Township Board of Zoning Appeals (the "Township"), submitted by this law firm on behalf of Owner, for certain grading improvements at the property located at 4455 Mt. Carmel Road (the "Property"), as set forth in the Township's Notice of Refusal dated September 23, 2024, which is an attachment to this letter.

This letter serves as the required notice under Section 2.12.C of the Township's Zoning Resolution (the "Resolution") that Owner wishes to appeal this decision. Owner believes the requested uses, as set for in the Zoning Certificate, are not only beneficial to the Owner's use of the Property, but are consistent with currently approved uses approved for the Property. The Zoning Certificate does not propose to expand permitted mining activities at the Property. Rather, all requested activities are occurring outside of the mining areas, and will improve drainage and assist with erosion control, and enhance the future utility of the Property for potential redevelopment and use. Therefore, the Owner respectfully requests the Township reconsider its denial.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me at your convenience to discuss.

Sincerely,

By:

Kristopher T. Milner Associate

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cc: Benjamin J. Yoder, Township Special Counsel (w/ enc.) (via email)

Mr. Douglas Evans (w/ enc.) (via email)

Zachary K. Peterson, Esq., (w/enc.) (via email)

Daniel P. Utt (w/ enc.) (via email)



Anderson Township

Anderson Center 7850 Five Mile Road Anderson Township, Ohio 45230-2356

> Phone: 513.688.8400 AndersonTownship.org AndersonCenterEvents.org

NOTICE OF REFUSAL ZONING CERTIFICATE

OWNER:

Evans Gravel Inc.

APPLICANT: KMK Law

4229 Round Bottom Road Cincinnati, OH 45244

Kristopher T. Milner, Associate

One East Fourth Street, Suite 1400

Cincinnati, OH 45202

Your application of September 9, 2024 for a zoning certificate for grading activities for the improvement of drainage and erosion control, per the drawing attached, at the premises designated as 4455 Mt Carmel Road, Book 500, Page 081, Parcel 032, Zoned "ID" Industrial Development, Anderson Township, is hereby refused on this 23rd day of September, 2024, under Article 3.16, C, 1 of the Anderson Township Zoning Resolution for the reason(s) that:

> Article 3.16, C, 1 - Conditional Uses: Except as provided in Article 3.16, D, no building or premises shall be used for any of the following uses until and unless a special zoning certificate shall have been authorized and issued by the Board of Zoning Appeals in the manner provided in this Article and in Article 2.12 of this Resolution:

> 1. Extraction and Related Operations: Extracting, excavating, mining or processing of sand, rock and/or gravel.

<u>September 20, 2024</u>

Date

Planning and Zoning Director

Note: Any appeal made from this refusal must be filed with the Anderson Township Board of Zoning Appeals within twenty (20) days after the date of this refusal. For further information, contact Anderson Township Land Use Administrator at (513) 688-8400.



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September 9, 2024

Paul J. Drury, Jr., AICP Planning and Zoning Director Anderson Township 7850 Five Mile Road Anderson Township, Ohio 45230-2356

Re: Zoning Violation re: 4455 Mt. Carmel Road (Parcel ID 500-0081-0032),

Anderson Township, OH 45244

Dear Mr. Drury,

We represent Evans Gravel, Inc. (the "Owner"). In response to the Notice of Violation dated August 7, 2024, please find enclosed an Application for Anderson Township Zoning Certificate for proposed grading, drainage, and erosion control improvements at 4455 Mt. Carmel Road, submitted on behalf of the Owner.

This Application does not propose to expand permitted mining activities at Owner's Property. The grading, drainage, and erosion control work will enhance the future utility of the Property for redevelopment and use. Therefore, the Owner respectfully requests this Application for a Zoning Certificate be approved.

If helpful, Doug Evans is happy to schedule a site visit with you any afternoon in the coming weeks. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me at your convenience to discuss.

Sincerely,

By:

Kristopher T. Milner
Associate

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> Benjamin J. Yoder, Township Special Counsel (w/ enc.) (via email) Mr. Douglas Evans (w/ enc.) (via email) Daniel P. Utt (w/ enc.) (via email) cc:

APPLICATION FOR ANDERSON TOWNSHIP ZONING CERTIFICATE

Property Address: 4455 Mt. Carmel Road, Cincinnati, Ohio 45244 (the "Property")

Parcel ID: 500-0081-0032-00
Property Zoning: Industrial Development

Owner Name: Evans Gravel, Inc. (the "Owner")

Owner Address: 3700 Roundbottom Road

Cincinnati, Ohio 45244

Owner Phone: (513) 831-4102

Owner Email: devans@evanslandscaping.com

Delivery Method: Email

In response to the Zoning Violation Notice dated August 7, 2024, the Owner is submitting this Application for a Zoning Certificate to allow for grading activities for the improvement of drainage and erosion control at the Property, as depicted on the attached Exhibit A.

As depicted on the attached <u>Exhibit B</u>, portions of the Property operate as a sand and gravel mining operation, pursuant to a Special Zoning Certificate issued December 12, 2018 and the mining permit issued by the Ohio Department of Natural Resources. As shown on <u>Exhibit C</u>, the grading and erosion control activities being performed are limited to the portions of the Property not included in the mining operation. Owner confirms the grading and drainage improvement activities do not constitute an enlargement of the permitted mine on the Property, and Owner is not enlarging the area utilized for the gravel mining operation. Rather, these activities permit the use of the graded areas for agricultural use and the Property's potential future uses and development.

The activities associated with this request include, but are not limited to, site grading and the installation of culverts (or similar drainage and erosion control features). The purpose of this site work is to improve drainage, stormwater retention for existing ponds at the Property, and to prevent erosion at the Property. Due to the lack of all necessary utility services to this Property at the present time, the Property is not presently ready for commercial redevelopment and use. Owner has completed grading and erosion control work at the Property to facilitate agricultural and other planting projects in the interim to provide weed, dust, erosion, and storm water runoff controls. Attached, as Exhibit D, are recent pictures reflecting the sunflowers and similar plantings in significant portions of the regraded areas.

The Owner understand that future development of the Property will require a separate Zoning Certificate before commencing any development activities. Additionally, the Owner further understands that any future parking activities at the Property shall comply with all parking, loading, and access requirements contained in Article 5.3 of Anderson Township's Zoning Resolution. The Owner understands such requirements include, but are not limited to, paving, landscaping, buffering, lighting, and drive aisles.

For the reasons set forth in this Application, the Owner respectfully requests this Application for a Zoning Certificate be approved.

EXHIBIT A PROPERTY MAP

CAGIS Map

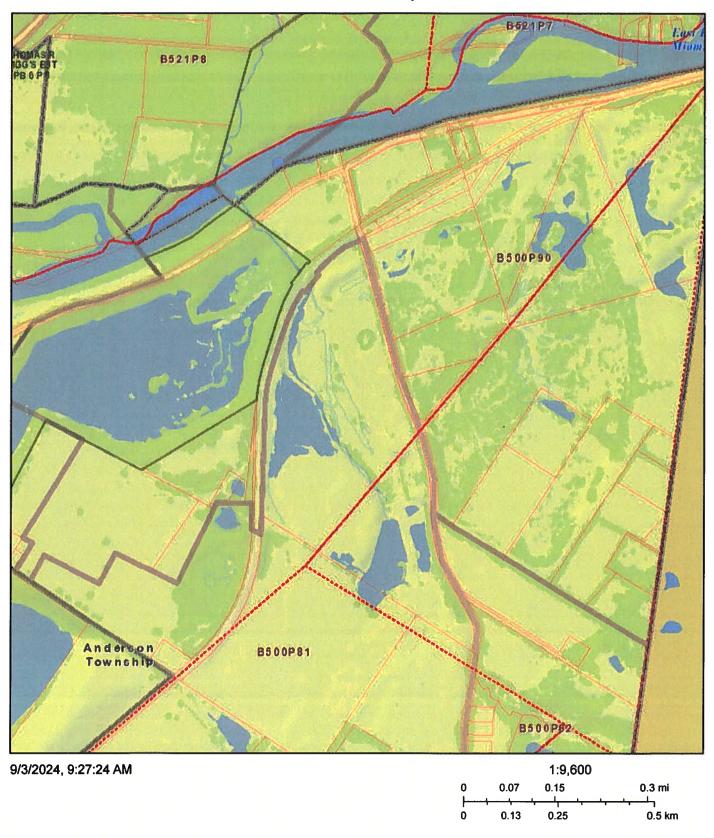
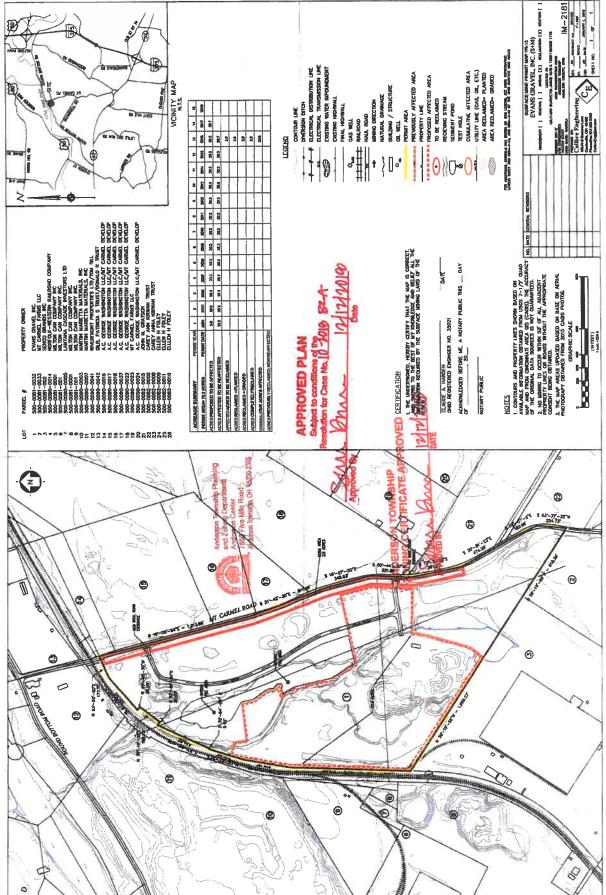


EXHIBIT B SAND AND GRAVEL MINE MAP



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EXHIBIT C GRADING AREAS MAP

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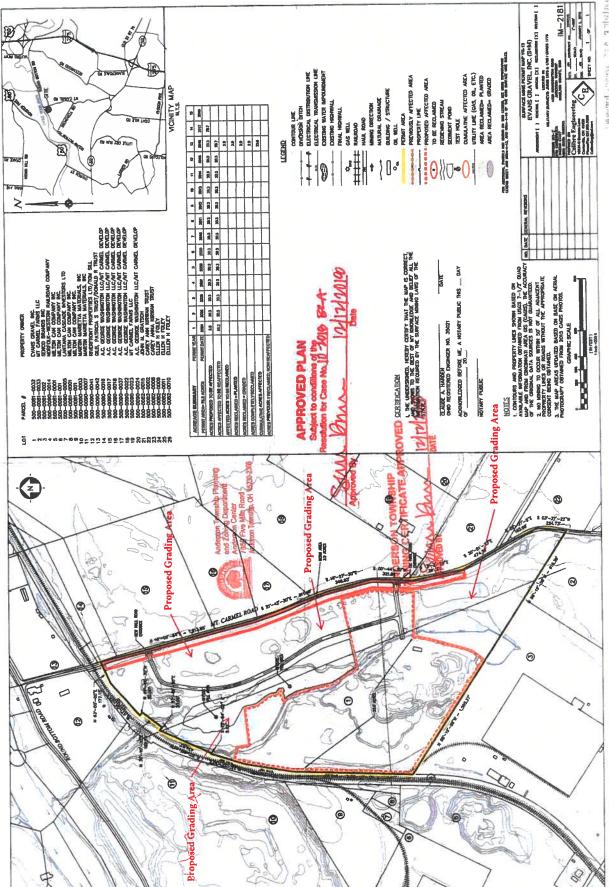
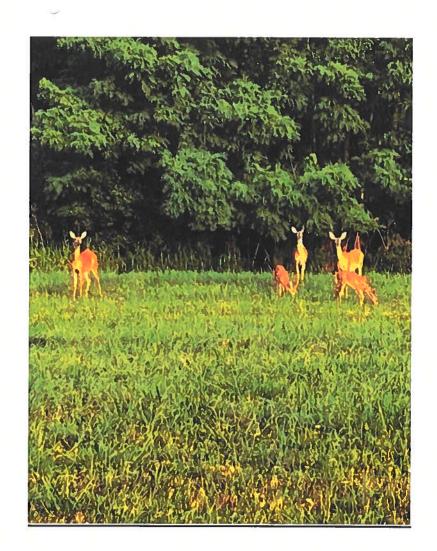


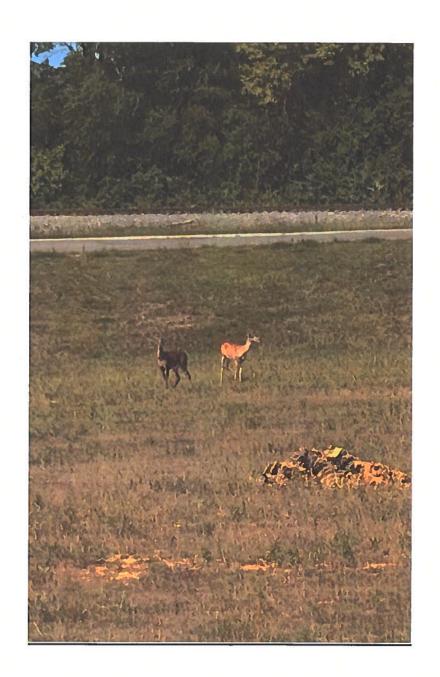
Exhibit D Crop Plantings

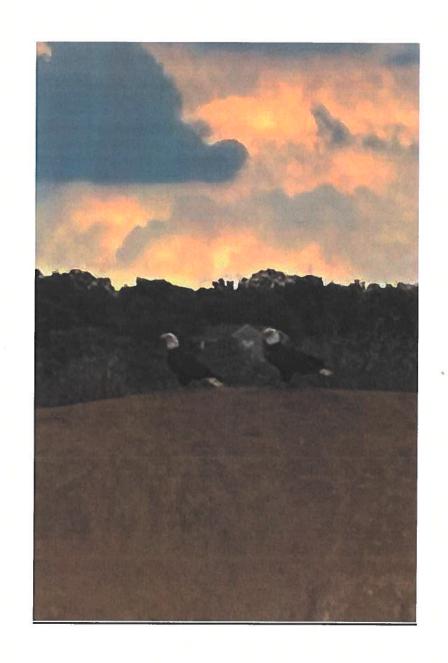














ANDERSON TOWNSHIP BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS CONSENT OF OWNER(S) TO INSPECT PREMISES

То:	Anderson Township Bo Anderson Center 7850 Five Mile Road Anderson Township, O	ard of Zoning Appeals Members and Staff hio 45230
Re:	Review of Subject Site	
Dear Members and Staff:		
As owner(s) of the property located at 4455 Mt. Carmel Road, we hereby		
grant permission to Members of the Board of Zoning Appeals and Staff of Anderson		
Township to enter the property for visual inspection of the exterior premises and to		
post a public hearing sign. The purpose of said inspection is to review the existing		
conditions of the subject site as they relate to the application filed with the Board of		
Zoning Appeals.		
10/10	0/2024	Docusigned by: Douglas L. Evans
Date		Owner Douglas L. Evans
		Owner

The names of the Anderson Township Board of Zoning Appeals Members are Paul Sian, John Halpin, Jeffrey Nye, Paul Sheckels, Scott Lawrence, and Greg Heimkreiter, First Alternate.