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Director

June 16, 2022

Kyle J. Shreves, PE
EMH&T, Inc.
5500 New Albany Road
Columbus, Ohio 43054

RE: Stormwater Drainage Manual (SWDM) Type II Variance Request –
Bachman Site (Winchester Pike)

Mr. Shreves:

This letter is in response to the subject variance request to SWDM Section 3.1 General Criteria, Stormwater Control Practices (SCP). Specifically, a deviation from the 3.1.7 requirement for the SCP storage capacity below the Base Flood Elevation (BFE) not to be included in the total SCP storage capacity is being sought.

The SWDM Variance Type II (Non-Stream Protection) Request was submitted to the City on May 24, 2022. As part of the Variance review process, the subject Variance request was posted on the City website on June 1, 2022 to solicit public comments. No public comments were received by the published deadline.

The Variance Review Committee met and reviewed the subject Variance Request on June 8, 2022. The Variance Request was found to be in compliance with the SWDM Type II Non-Stream Protection Variance Application requirements. The applicant requested a variance from the SWDM design requirements as stated above due to substantial hardship to comply with the 3.1.7 SWDM requirement. The proposed design will provide a backflow prevention device at the outlet of the basin to prevent floodwaters from inundating the basin during floodplain activation. The basin will provide stormwater quantity and quality in full compliance with the SWDM requirements, with the exception of the requirement for which the variance is being requested.

Upon reviewing and discussing the application and submitted by the applicant, the Variance Review Committee agreed with the applicant's argument that the adherence to the SWDM Section 3.1.7 requirement for this proposed development is impractical, costly and difficult.

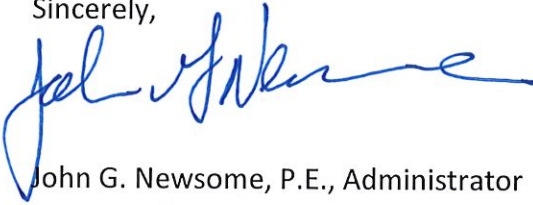


In light of the above, the subject Variance Request (Preferred Alternative) is conditionally approved contingent upon the following stipulation:

- Storm CC-Plans and Stormwater Management Report to be submitted and approved by the City

No approval contained herein relieves or absolves the applicant of any provisions of applicable state or federal laws. Please contact Plan Review/Stormwater & Regulatory Management Section Manager Greg Fedner, P.E. at gfedner@columbus.gov or by phone at 614-645-8072 with any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "John G. Newsome".

John G. Newsome, P.E., Administrator
Division of Sewerage and Drainage

pc: Variance Review Committee
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