October 24, 2022

Town of South Kingston Planning Board
Jay Parker, Principal Planner
180 High Street
Wakefield, RI 02879

RE: 551 Liberty Lane
South Kingstown, Rhode Island
Project #: 2214-008

Dear Mr. Parker:

As part of the Preliminary Application, the Applicant seeks variances/ waivers from the following Subdivision and Land Development Regulations listed below:

Subdivision & Land Development Regulations – Section IV. Special Requirements

G. Landscape – General Standards & Specifications

1. Plant Materials -Standards B)

"Minimum size for small evergreen trees or large shrubs shall be 6 to 8' in height."

Waiver Requested: Proposed small evergreen trees and large shrubs are 4 to 6' in height.

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G. Landscape – General Standards & Specifications

1. Plant Materials -Standards C)

"Minimum size for low shrubs shall be 4' in height."

Waiver Requested: Proposed low shrubs are 3 to 4' in height.

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3. Perimeter Planting – Parking and Loading Facilities

"Landscaping of the perimeter of a parking lot shall include at least 1 tree plus 3 low shrubs or groundcover for every 35 lf of perimeter."

Waiver Requested: Parking layout limits area for perimeter planting. Perimeter is 1,145 lf, 33 trees are required. Existing perimeter vegetation to remain (17 trees) and supplemented where feasible (24 new trees proposed).
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5. Building Landscaping

“There shall be a landscaped area between the parking surface and building wall of at least 3’ in width.”

Waiver Requested: Buildings 2 and 3 do not have a 3’ minimum landscaped area between the parking surface and building wall.

If in the course of the hearings it is determined that there are other local by-laws, rules and regulations that would otherwise be applicable to this development that have not been requested in this application, the Applicant reserves the right to so amend the Requested Waivers.

Please, feel free to contact me if you have any further questions regarding this matter.

Sincerely,
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