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APPLICATION FOR A VARIANCE

TO: **BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT
CITY OF ROCHESTER**

Phone No (508) 270-1400

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CASE NO. 2014-17

DATE FILED 8/21/14

K. J. J. J.
ZONING BOARD CLERK

Name of applicant **A: Cumberland Farms, Inc./ B: Paul J. Navelski**
A: 100 Crossing Boulevard, Framingham, MA 01702
Address **B: PO Box 2075, Rochester, NH 03866**

Owner of property concerned: **Same**

(If the same as applicant, write "same")

Address **Same**

(If the same as applicant, write "same")

Location **A: 79 Milton Road & B: 2 Flat Rock Bridge Road**

Map No. **210** Lot No. **A: 55 & B: 56** Zone **Highway Commercial (HC)**

Description of property **Cumberland Farms, Inc. retail motor fuel outlet & Martin's Family Restaurant**

Proposed use or existing use affected **Retail motor fuel outlet which includes a 4,650 sq. ft. convenience store and fueling dispensing area with 6 dispensers (12 fueling positions) and an overhead canopy.**

The undersigned hereby requests a variance to the terms of Article **42.29** Section **(c)(3) and (f)(6)** and asked that said terms be waived to permit **a total of four (4) signs on the building and canopy, including the one (1) sign that is already permitted on the building.**

The undersigned alleges that the following circumstances exist which prevent the proper enjoyment of his land under the strict terms of the Zoning Ordinance and thus constitute grounds for a variance.

Signed

[Signature]
(Applicant)

Attorney for Applicant

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CRITERIA FOR VARIANCE

Case # 2014-17

Date: 8/21/14

A Variance is requested by Cumberland Farms, Inc.

from Section 42.29, Subsection (c)(3) and (f)(6) of the Zoning Ordinance to permit a total of four (4) signs on the building and canopy, including the one (1) sign that is already permitted on the building

at 79 Milton Road Map No. 110 Lot No A:55 & B: 56 Zone Highway Commercial (HC)

Facts supporting this request:

- 1) The proposed use would not diminish surrounding property values because:

See attached

- 2) Granting the variance is not contrary to the public interest because:

See attached

- 3.) Denial of the variance would result in unnecessary hardship to the owner because of the following special circumstances of the property:

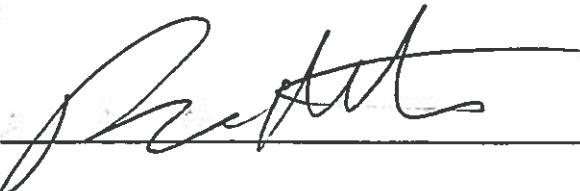
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- 4.) Granting the variance would do substantial justice because:

See attached

- 5.) The use is not contrary to the spirit of the ordinance because:

See attached

Name 

Date: 8/21/14

CUMBERLAND FARMS, INC.

79 Milton Road, Rochester, NH
Map 110, Lot 55 & 56

APPLICATION FOR VARIANCES

Introduction

The Applicant, Cumberland Farms, Inc., is the current owner of the property located at 79 Milton Road in Rochester, New Hampshire. Cumberland Farms, Inc. operates an existing convenience store/gas station on the site. The property is depicted on the City of Rochester's tax maps at Map 210, Lot 55. The property consists of an existing building which contains 2,481 square feet. The property also includes gasoline dispensers, utilized for the sale of gasoline to the general public. The property is located in the Highway Commercial (HC) District. Retail sales and gas operations are permitted as a matter of right in the HC Zone.

Paul J. Navelski is the current owner of the property located at 2 Flat Rock Bridge Road in Rochester, New Hampshire. Mr. Navelski currently operates a drive-in restaurant on the site within an existing building containing 858 square feet. The property is depicted on the City of Rochester's tax maps at Map 210, Lot 56.

Cumberland Farms, Inc. intends to purchase Lot 56 from Mr. Navelski and merge the Lot with Lot 55 to completely raze and rebuild the existing convenience store/gas station building and replace the canopy and gasoline dispensers that currently exist on Lot 55. In addition, the drive-in restaurant on Lot 56 will be removed.

Copies of plans depicting the proposed project and signage are attached hereto. The number of gas dispensers will be changed from four (4) dispensers, with eight (8) fuel pumps, to six (6) dispensers with twelve (12) fuel pumps. As a result of the improved site layout, the activity on the site will be moved further back from the frontage, thus facilitating the location of the required vegetative buffer, and increasing traffic flow within the property, resulting in a more safe environment for members of the public utilizing the business. In addition, we have enclosed copies of elevations of the proposed new building. The façade will certainly result in an increased aesthetic presentation of the property, all of which is understood to be of importance to the City, as this area represents one of the gateways to the City of Rochester.

During the course of its review, Cumberland Farms, Inc. has identified that it will need to seek a variance from **Section 24.29** of the Rochester Zoning Ordinance. Specifically, Cumberland Farms, Inc. needs a variance for the total number of wall signs, as the ordinance permits one sign for lot street frontage (**Section 42.29 (c) (3)**) and only two (2) wall signs for any one business (**Section 42.29 (f) (6)**). Cumberland Farms proposes two (2) wall signs on the building and two (2) wall signs on the canopy, or a total of four (4) signs instead of the one or two permitted, as depicted on the attached drawings. Despite the need for the variance, Cumberland Farms total wall signage of 87.40 Sq. Ft. is approximately one-fifth (1/5) of the maximum allowed, which is 424.50 sq. ft. [84.9 sq. ft. x 5].

Request for Variances
Facts Supporting this Request

1. The proposed use would not diminish surrounding property values because:

It is respectfully submitted that all of the surrounding properties have a value associated with them that is premised upon the existence of the same type of structures already located upon the Applicant's property. In this instance, the location, modernization and aesthetic upgrades planned will have no negative affect upon any abutter, with respect to its property, as the use will be consistent with the existing and surrounding use. In this instance, the signage requested is far less than permitted by the Rochester Zoning Ordinance. Granting the variances will not diminish the surrounding property values.

2. Granting the variance is not contrary to the public interest because:

The Applicant respectfully submits that the proposed use and requested signage represents a reasonable use of the property in question. The requested wall signage on the canopy is in keeping with local uses and the character of the surrounding properties and is appropriately sized and designed to balance the interests of visibility while minimizing light spillage via internal illumination.

3. Denial of the variance would result in unnecessary hardship to the owners because of the following special circumstances of the property:

Some of the general purposes of the ordinance are to promote health and welfare and to encourage the most appropriate land uses in various parts of the City. For the reasons set forth above, the Applicant respectfully submits that the restrictions that cannot be met by the Applicant are not necessary to enforce in order to protect the purpose of the ordinance. Thus, there is no conflict between the general public purpose of the ordinance, and enforcing the restrictions for which the Applicant seeks the variances.

In this instance, the Applicant seeks to modernize the facility and to move the structures away from the frontage of the property. The signage proposal on the canopy is suitable given the small nature of the signage. Due to the unique triangular characteristics of the property, the number of signs requested is appropriate. Denying the 4 signs would result in dramatically less public visibility, which would be a significant impediment to utilization of the property and could impair the public's safe and proper use of the site.

The proposed use is reasonable because it will allow the facility to be upgraded. The result will be that the building containing the convenience store and canopy that will be located further away from the frontage, thus increasing the safety of the patrons of the site.

4. Granting the variances would do substantial justice because:

The grant of the variances would result in substantial justice as it would allow the Applicant's property to be utilized in a similar fashion as it is currently used. In addition, the aesthetic quality of the property would be far superior to the existing structures. Granting the variance would do substantial justice because the requested wall signage will promote safe and

efficient access to the site by the public traveling on Milton Road and help ensure that the new store is not economically disadvantaged by inferior visibility to surrounding uses. Accordingly, the benefit to the Applicant would exceed the burden to the public, thus resulting in substantial justice being done.

5. The use is not contrary to the spirit of the ordinance because:

The Applicant respectfully submits that if the variances are granted, the spirit of the ordinance would be observed as the use in question is suitable, considering the existing operation on the property. The use is not contrary to the spirit of the ordinance as, the requested wall signage is in keeping with the character, size and amount of signage for nearby and similarly situated commercial uses. Granting the variances would therefore result in an encouragement of the most appropriate use of the land. Further, given the configuration of the lot, there would be no negative affect upon abutters and/or the public's health welfare or safety.

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PROPERTY LOCATION

No	All No	Direction/Street/City
79		MILTON RD, ROCHESTER

OWNERSHIP

Owner 1:	VSH REALTY INC VO899
Owner 2:	
Owner 3:	
Street 1:	100 CROSSING BLVD #9003
Street 2:	

Town/City: FRAMINGHAM

SubProv: MA	County	Own Occ: N
Postal: 01702-5401	Type:	

PREVIOUS OWNER

Owner 1:	
Owner 2:	
Street 1:	
Town/City:	
SubProv:	County
Postal:	

NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION

This Parcel contains .85 AC of land mainly classified as RETAIL/SVC with a(n) CONVENIENCE Building Built about 1979, Having Primarily CONC BLOCK Exterior and MEMBRANE Roof Cover, with 1 Units, 0 Baths, 2 HalfBaths, 0 3/4 Baths, 0 Rooms, Total and 0 Bdrms

Code	Description/No	Amount	Com. Int
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PROPERTY FACTORS

Item	Code	Descr	%	Item	Code	Descr
Z	B2	BUSINESS	100	U	0	SEPTIC
o				t	9	CITY WATER
n				i	5	GAS
				Exempt		
				Topo	1	LEVEL
				Street	1	PAVED
				Traffic	5	HEAVY

LAND SECTION (First 7 lines only)

Use Code	Description	LUC Fact	No of Units	Price/Units	Depth /
325	RETAIL/SVC		0.85		

IN PROCESS APPRAISAL SUMMARY

Use Code	Building Value	Yard Items	Land Size	Land Value	Total Value	Legal Description	User Acct
325	254,300	39,300	0.850	163,500	457,100		27653
							GIS Ref
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							Insp Date

PREVIOUS ASSESSMENT

Tax Yr	Use	Cat	Bldg Value	Yrd Items	Land Size	Land Value	Total Value	Asses'd Value	Notes	Date
2013	325	FV	234,300	37900	.85	133,800	406,000	406,000	Year End Roll	9/4/2013
2012	325	FV	234,300	37900	.85	133,800	406,000	406,000	Year End Roll	9/20/2012
2011	325	FV	234,300	37900	.85	133,800	406,000	406,000	Year End Roll	9/27/2011
2010	325	FV	234,200	37900	.85	133,800	405,900	405,900	roll	8/26/2010
2009	325	FV	234,200	37900	.85	148,700	420,800	420,800	Year End Roll	9/24/2009
2008	325	FV	240,900	41600	.85	148,700	431,200	431,200		8/25/2008
2007	325	FV	240,900	41600	.85	148,700	431,200	431,200	Year End Roll	9/26/2007
2006	325	FV	240,900	41600	.85	148,700	431,200	431,200	Year End Roll	9/14/2006

SALES INFORMATION

Grantor	Legal Ref	Type	Date	Sale Code	Sale Price	V	Tst	Verif	Assoc PCL Value	Notes
TREMOR CO CORP	997-464	2	5/27/1977	Val Lnd&Bldg	36,000	No	4			

TAX-DISTRICT

PAT ACCT.

BUILDING PERMITS

Date	Number	Descr	Amount	C/O	Last Visit	Fed Code	F. Descr	Comment
10/9/2013	6368	SIGN	1,000	C	2/4/2014			
7/31/2013	5812	ADDITION	700,000	O				
7/30/2013	5784	SIGN	20,000	C	2/4/2014			
1/14/2011	11-65	SIGN	3,000	C	3/10/2011			
8/5/2005	1044	ELECTRIC	1,200	C	3/28/2006			
5/1/1996	111		80,000	C				ADDITION

ACTIVITY INFORMATION

Date	Result	By	Name
7/31/2009	OWN ADD CHG	VB	VERNA
3/28/2006	MEAS-INSPCTD	TM	TOM

Sign:

Appraised Value	Alt %	Spec %	J	Land	Code	Fact	Use Value	Notes
163,515							163,500	

Total ACMA: 0.85000	Total SF/SM: 37026.00	Parcel LUC: 325	RETAIL/SVC	Prime NB Desc: COMMERCIAL
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Disclaimer: This Information is believed to be correct but is subject to change and is not warranted Database: AssessPro

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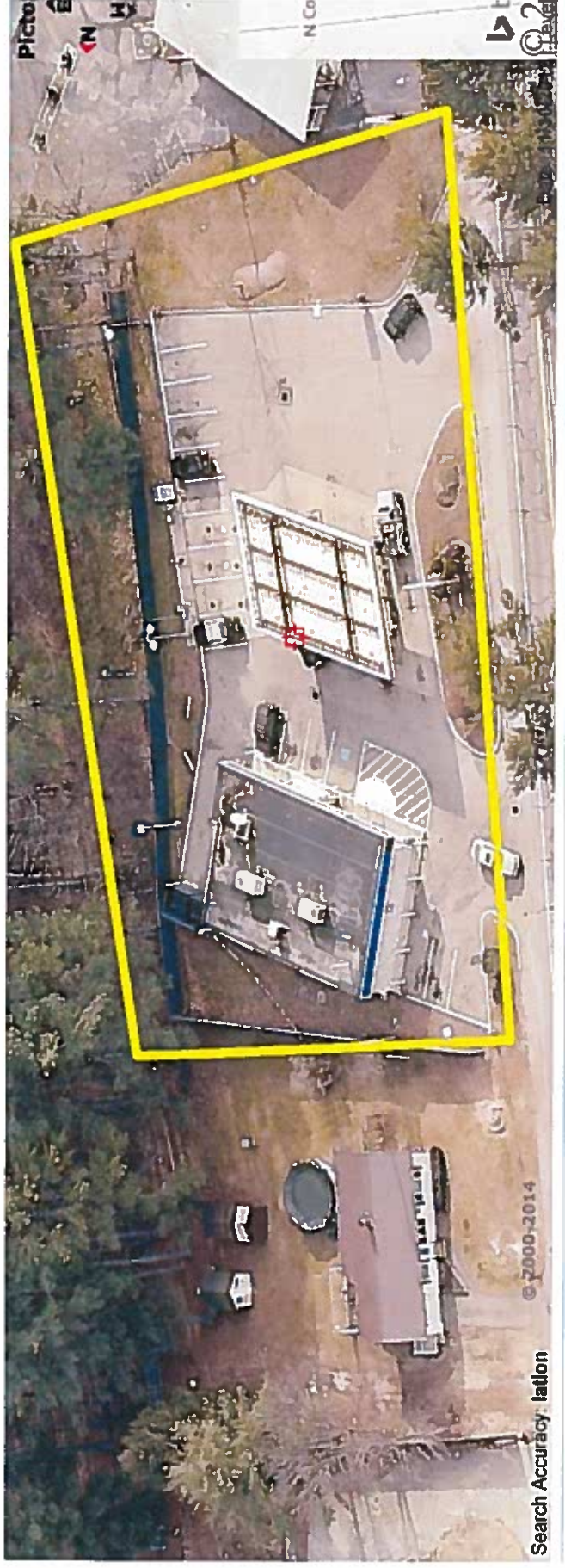
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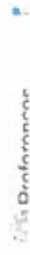
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Map Data Source Parcel

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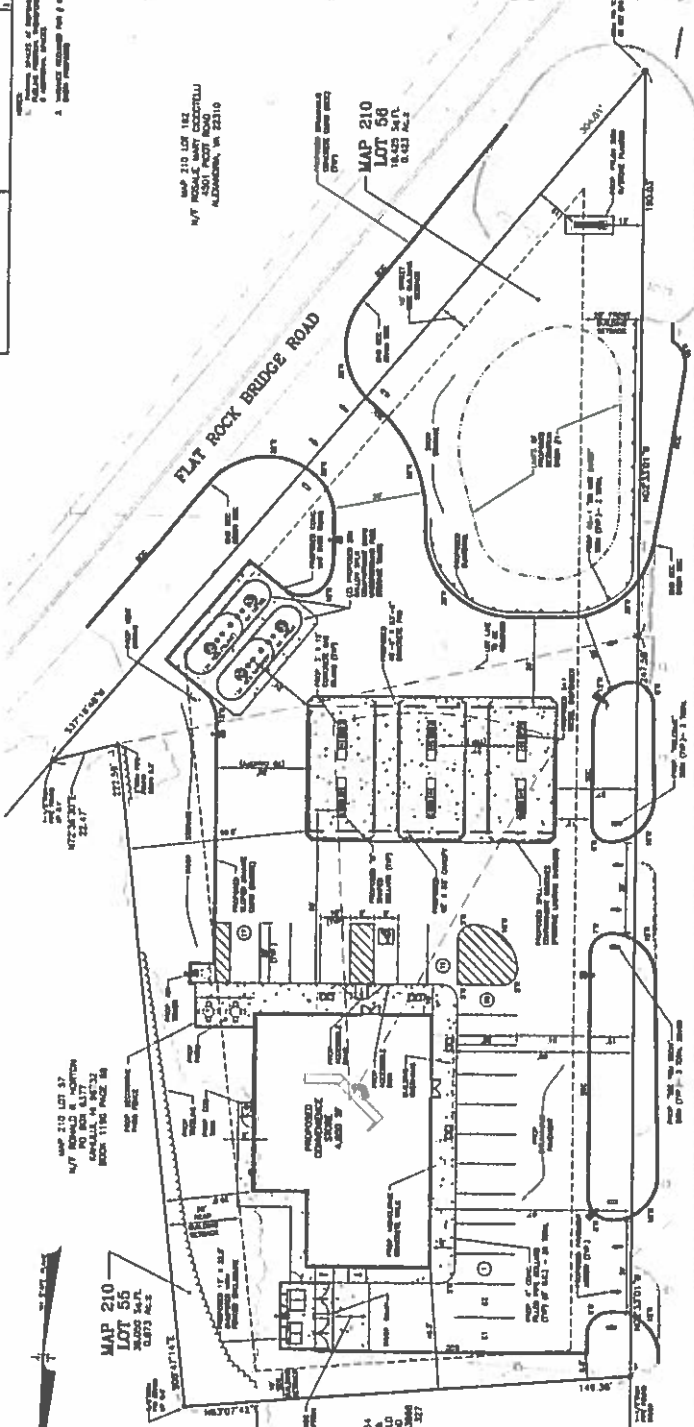


Date: 11/30/2012

TABLE OF ZONING REGULATIONS - ROCHESTER, NH			
ZONE: RESIDENT COMMERCIAL			
DESCRIPTION	PERMITTED	PROHIBITED	
1. SINGLE-FAMILY DWELLINGS	YES	NO	
2. TWO-FAMILY DWELLINGS	YES	NO	
3. MULTIFAMILY DWELLINGS	YES	NO	
4. HOTELS, MOTELS, AND TRANSIENT LODGING	YES	NO	
5. RESTAURANTS, DINING ROOMS, AND DRINKING PLACES	YES	NO	
6. RETAIL STORES	YES	NO	
7. SERVICE STATIONS	YES	NO	
8. OFFICES	YES	NO	
9. PROFESSIONAL OFFICES	YES	NO	
10. BANKS	YES	NO	
11. THEATERS, MOVIE HOUSES, AND AMUSEMENT PLACES	YES	NO	
12. GYMNASIUMS, YACHT CLUBS, AND OTHER RECREATION PLACES	YES	NO	
13. PUBLIC BUILDINGS	YES	NO	
14. CHURCHES	YES	NO	
15. SCHOOLS	YES	NO	
16. HOSPITALS	YES	NO	
17. LABORATORIES	YES	NO	
18. MANUFACTURING PLACES	YES	NO	
19. WAREHOUSES	YES	NO	
20. PUBLIC UTILITIES	YES	NO	
21. FUEL YARDS	YES	NO	
22. RAILROADS	YES	NO	
23. AIRPORTS	YES	NO	
24. MARINAS	YES	NO	
25. PIERAGE	YES	NO	
26. FISHING BOATS	YES	NO	
27. BOAT LIFTING	YES	NO	
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WILTON ROAD (NH ROUTE 125)

MAP 210 LOT 6
M/T COUNTRY MARTIN ALCOHOLS PARTNERSHIP
25 SELTON ROAD
ROO-ESTON, NE4 6JH

MAP 210 LOT 3
13 CASSIDY LANE
WEST WINDSOR, N.J. 07093

OWNERS OF RECORD:

OWNERS OF RECORD.

MAP 216 LOT 4A	MAP 216 LOT 4A
STOVERLAND FARMS INC.	PAUL E. HATFIELD
80 CROSSING BOWLAVEN	P.O. BOX 2075
FRAMINGHAM, MA 01742	ROCHESTER, NY 14606
ROOM 287 PACE 444	ROOM 1751 PACE 700

FINAL APPROVAL BY ROCHESTER PLANNING BOARD

DATE: _____
CERTIFIED BY: _____

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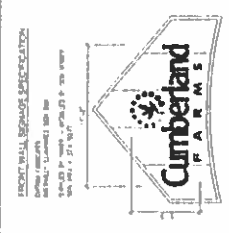
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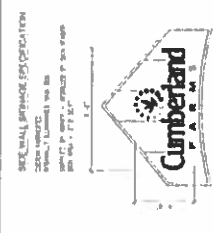
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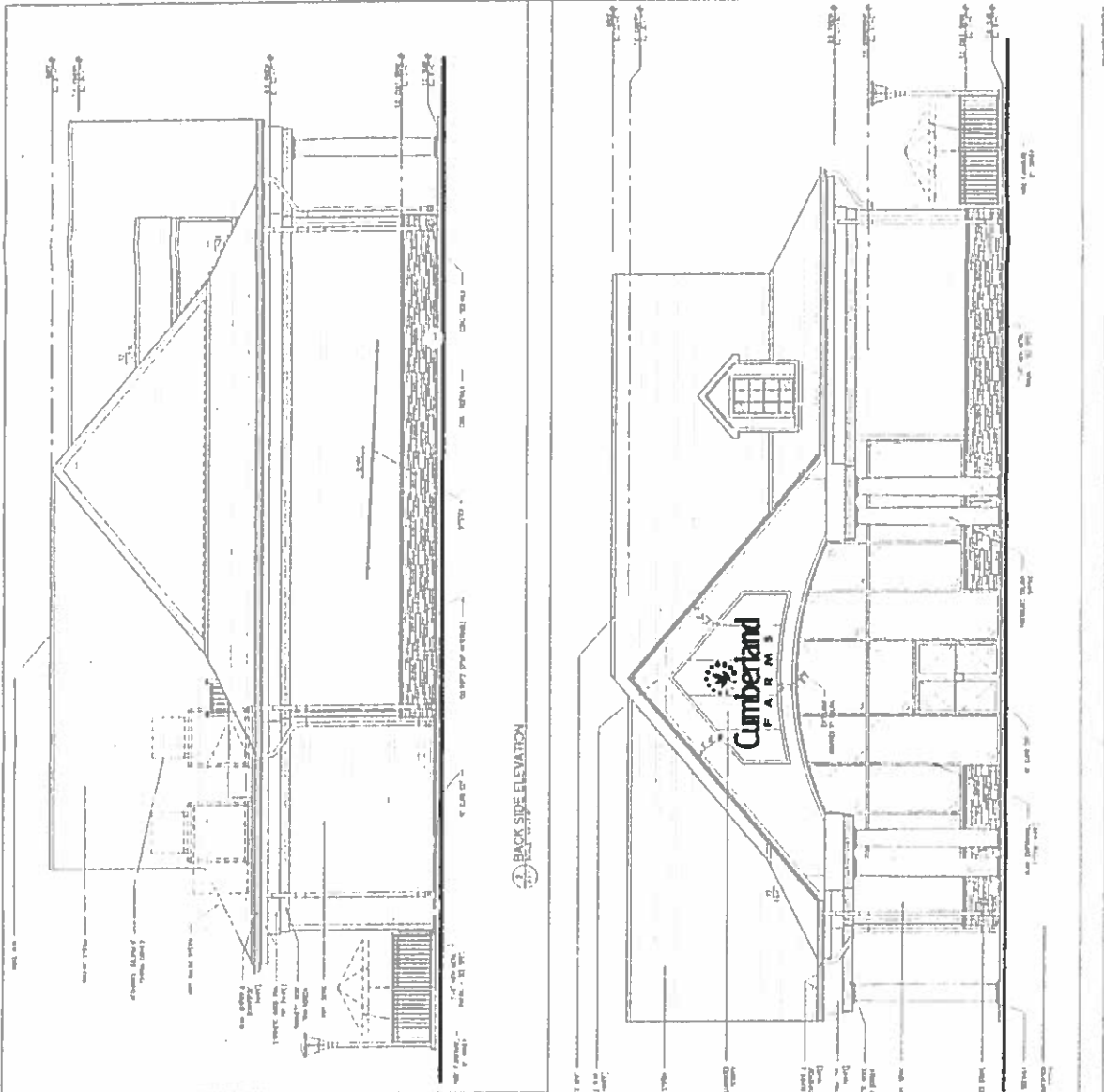
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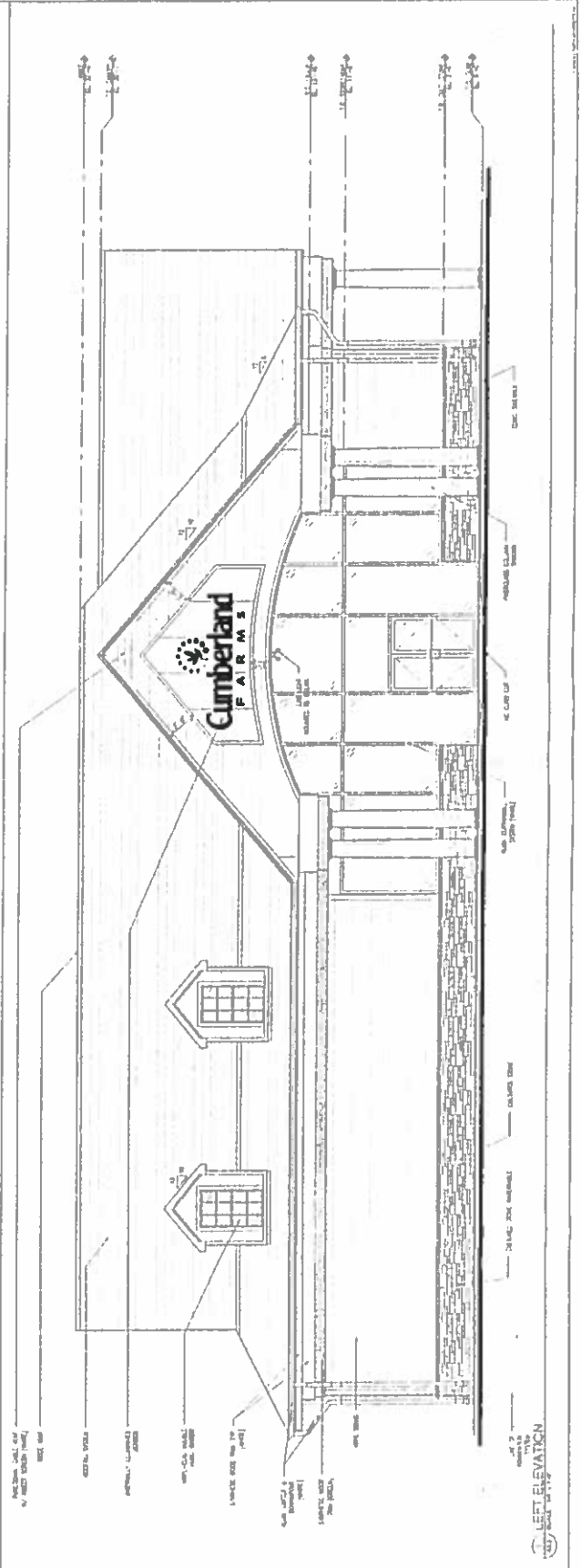
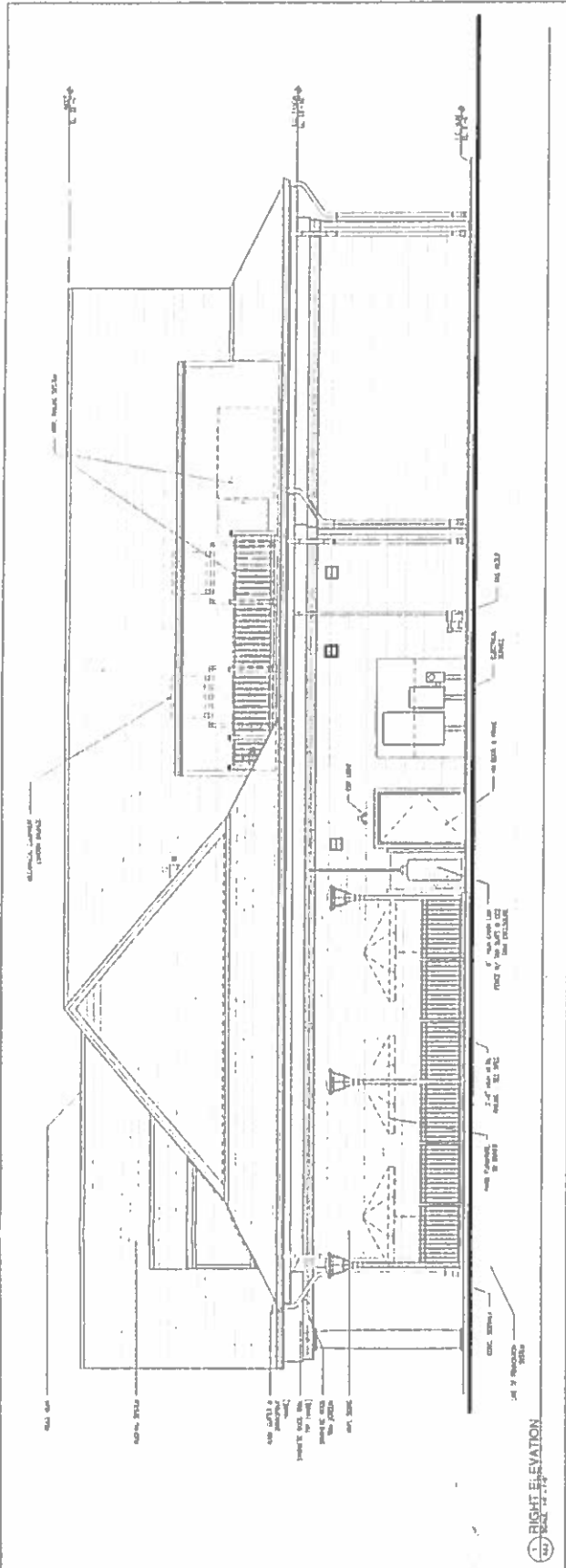


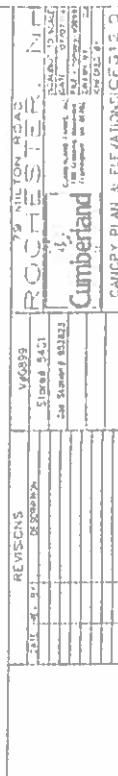
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SIDE WALL SIGNAGE DESIGN







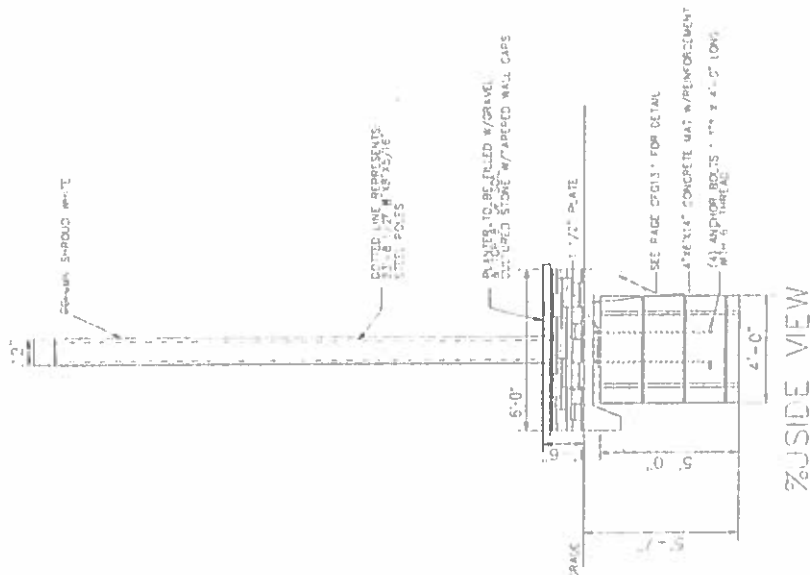
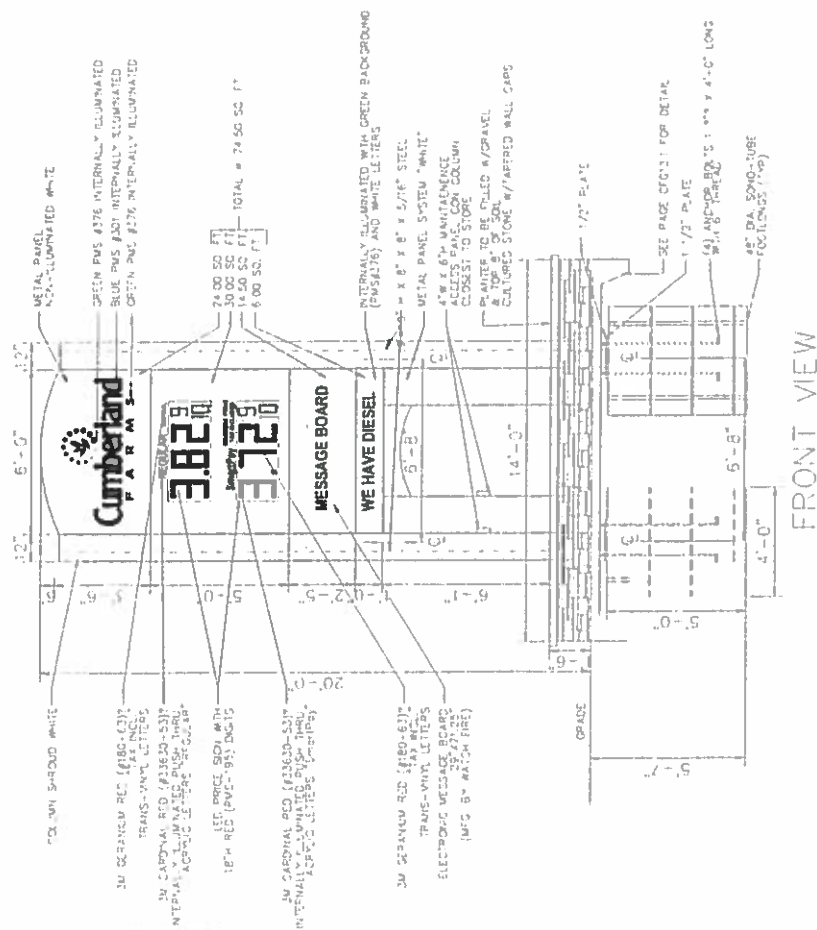
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EXHIBIT "B"
AUTHORITY LETTER

To Whom It May Concern:

Paul J. Navelski (the "Owner") is the owner of the property located at 2 Flat Rock Bridge Road, Rochester, New Hampshire 03866 (the "Property"). The Owner hereby authorizes Cumberland Farms, Inc. and/or its agents, including, but not limited to, Hinckley, Allen & Snyder, LLP and any engineering, surveying or architecture firm that the above may designate, to execute, submit and prosecute applications and any applicable materials to the City of Rochester boards, commissions, agencies and the like (including, without limitation, zoning boards, planning boards and the Rochester Board of Selectmen) on behalf of the Owner, for the purpose of obtaining municipal permits and approvals and property rezonings for the development of the Property.

OWNER:

3-5-2014
Date

By:

Paul J. Navelski
Paul J. Navelski

State of NEW HAMPSHIRE
County of MERRIMACK

Personally appeared the above-named Paul J. Navelski before me this 5 day of March 2014, known to be the person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument and acknowledged that he/she executed the same for the purposes therein contained.

Notary Public/Justice of the Peace
My Commission Expires:



**ABUTTER LIST
FOR
CUMBERLAND FARMS, INC.
Map 210, Lots 55 & 56
79 Milton Road, Rochester, NH
2 Flat Rock Bridge Road, Rochester, NH**

August 21, 2014

MAP/LOT	NAME/ADDRESS
<u>OWNER/APPLICANT:</u>	
Map 210/Lot 55	CUMBERLAND FARMS, INC. 100 CROSSING BLVD. FRAMINGHAM, MA 01702
MAP 210/LOT 56	PAUL J. NAVELSKI P.O. BOX 2075 ROCHESTER, NH 03866-2075
<u>ABUTTERS:</u>	
MAP 210/LOT 4	DANA S. COPP, TRUSTEE DANA S. COPP 1985 TRUST SHIRLEY L. COPP, TRUSTEE SHIRLEY L. COPP 1985 TRUST 635 SALMON FALLS ROAD ROCHESTER, NH 03868
MAP 210/LOT 5	MARCIA L. NESLOT 13 CASSILY LANE DOVER, NH 03820
MAP 210/LOT 6	O'KEEFE MARTIN AUCTIONS 85 MILTON RD ROCHESTER, NH 03867
MAP 210/LOT 54	ALAN D. AND JUDY L. MAXFIELD 81 MILTON RD ROCHESTER, NH 03867
MAP 210/LOT 57	RONALD R. HORTON c/o PURCELL MANAGEMENT P.O. BOX 1813 DOVER, NH 03821-1813
MAP 210/LOT 162	ROSALIE MARY CICCOTELLI 4501 PICOT RD ALEXANDRIA, VA 22310-2049

**ABUTTER LIST
FOR
CUMBERLAND FARMS, INC.
Map 210, Lots 55 & 56
79 Milton Road, Rochester, NH
2 Flat Rock Bridge Road, Rochester, NH**

August 21, 2014

**PROFESSIONALS:
ATTORNEY**

FRANCIS X. BRUTON, III, ESQUIRE
BRUTON & BERUBE, PLLC
798 CENTRAL AVENUE
DOVER, NH 03820

SURVEYOR

CHRISTOPHER M. FRANCHER, L.L.S.
MHF DESIGN CONSULTANTS, INC.
44 STILES ROAD, SUITE ONE
SALEM, NH 03079

ENGINEER

FRANK C. MONTEIRO, P.E.
MHF DESIGN CONSULTANTS, INC.
44 STILES ROAD, SUITE ONE
SALEM, NH 03079