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***By E-Mail and  
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Diane Williamson  
Director of Community Development  
Town of Bristol  
235 High Street  
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**Re: Petition of David Ramos; 670 Metacom Avenue; (A.P. 128, Lot 15);  
Application for Amendment of Planning Board Conditions of Approval**

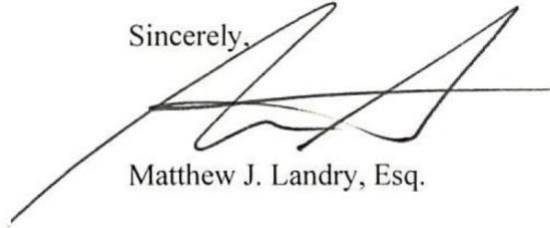
Dear Diane:

On behalf of the Applicant, David Ramos, please accept this letter as a formal petition for an amendment of the Planning Board's conditions of approval dated January 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2026. As you know, the Applicant has been working diligently to finalize submittal of the final plan materials and is expected to commence construction on the new structure this season. However, the Applicant continues to operate his business on the property as it was permitted and there has been growing uncertainty over the enforcement of the Planning Board's conditions of approval regarding the use of the site. The language of the conditions, specifically business hours of operation, applicable holidays, and storm related events has effectively prohibited certain activities on site as well as restricting employee access to the site when simply arriving for the workday.

To that end, the Applicant has been working with Planning staff to clarify the underlying intent of these conditions and provide suggested amendments to these conditions that will provide clarity and set reasonable expectations regarding enforcement for activities occurring on site. Doing so will save the Town both time and resources by eliminating enforcement action on otherwise benign activities incidental to the business operations and outside of the scope of the original conditions of approval.

We appreciate your consideration of the suggested revisions attached hereto and look forward to continuing our collaborative efforts with the Town and planning staff.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Matthew J. Landry', written over a horizontal line. The signature is stylized with loops and a long horizontal stroke.

Matthew J. Landry, Esq.

The Planning Board grants the Special Use Permit subject to the following conditions:

Operations and Extent of Activity on Lots 15 & 16

- 1) The Board makes a finding that the activity on Lot 15 is similar in nature to materials processing with the loading and unloading of trucks and the coming and going of materials. Therefore, because the Lot 15 activity is similar to materials processing, it shall be screened by an 8 foot tall wooden fence to be installed on the north and east sides of Lot 15 atop existing concrete block walls along the "limit of work line" shown on the plan for Lot 15. The fence shall be faced with 1x6 wooden planks and shall include an insulated/sound reducing barrier with a minimum of RIO foamular ngx f-250 material.  
The west side is already buffered by a vegetated berm, and the south side is shared with Lot 16. Per Bristol zoning ordinance Section 28-146(3) the Board can allow fence height to be taller than 6 feet. A wooden fence will provide a visual screen and sound barrier. The fence shall be installed prior to issuance of a Certificate of Occupancy on the building for Lot 16.
- 2) The Business Hours of Operation on both Lots 15 and Lot 16 shall be limited as follows: General Business Hours: Monday through Friday 7am - 5pm; Saturday 8am - 3pm; Closed Sundays. The Business Hours of Operation shall not prohibit or otherwise limit employees/workers from occupying the premises before or after the stated hours, including but not limited to, arriving and departing the property in vehicles or performing minor work (i.e. equipment repair, welding) on the site subject to Para. 3 below.
- 3) No materials processing or unloading/loading of trucks ("shipping and/or receiving hours") before 7am or after 5pm (Mon-Friday); before 8am or after 3pm on Saturday; and never on Sundays/holidays.
  - a. The Planning Board acknowledges the Applicant is engaged in snow plowing and salt/sanding operations during the winter months and provides said services to the State of Rhode Island and several members of the community. Condition #3 shall not apply during periods of significant snow fall or storm related events that necessitate snow plowing and/or salt/sand operations to commence from the subject property. This shall include the loading/unloading of materials in trucks to facilitate these services on this limited basis.
- 4) The parking area to the south of the proposed building on Lot 16 shall not be used for the parking or operation of heavy equipment or vehicles over 25,000 lbs. The parking area shall be striped and include wheel stops as indicated on the approved plans.
- 5) Large vehicle and equipment parking shall be only located on Lot 15. Smaller work trucks and employee vehicles shall be allowed to park on Lot 16 in marked spaces.

- 6) During construction of the proposed new building on Lot 16, site inspection by the Town's peer review engineer shall be coordinated per the direction of the peer review engineer.
- 7) There shall be no landscaping materials stored, dumped, processed or located on Lot 16.
- 8) All earth and landscape materials storage on Lot 15 shall be contained/stored in spaces designated on the approved plans, such as existing concrete bins/storage areas. There shall be no uncontained storage of landscape materials.
- 9) An irrigation/sprinkler system shall be installed on Lot 15 and used to mitigate any impacts from dust or activities occurring on pervious surface areas. Said irrigation system shall be automated to operate during normal business hours at appropriate intervals.
- 10) Trucks shall be equipped with low decibel "quiet" back up alarms to muffle noise from existing equipment. All backup alarms shall conform to minimum state, federal and/or OSHA requirements where applicable.
- 11) All activities shall conform to the Noise Ordinance per Chapter 10, Article II of the Bristol Town Code for the receiving zone; specifically Section 10-39, Table I- Zoning District Noise Standards - Maximum Allowable Octave Band Sound Pressure Levels.
- 12) To ensure compliance with the terms and conditions set forth herein and to aid the Town of Bristol with enforcement of the same, the Applicant shall install and maintain a video security system and make any video recordings and/or surveillance tapes of the property, taken in the ordinary course of business, available to the Town of Bristol Zoning Enforcement Officer and/or the Town of Bristol Police Department upon reasonable notice or formal request of the same to aid in the investigation of a formal complaint with either department.
- 13) The existing loam screener on Lot 16 shall be removed from the property prior to issuance of a Certificate of Occupancy. The loam screener cannot be relocated to Lot 15.
- 14) Any retail sales on either Lot 15 or Lot 16 will require approval of a new Special Use Permit.
- 15) There shall be no clearing or disturbance of land beyond the limit of disturbance as shown on the Land Development Plans (Sheet 6 of 10).
- 16) Any expansion of operations in the area beyond the limit of disturbance will require approval of a new Special Use Permit.

### Landscaping and Buffering

- 17) A vegetated landscape buffer shall be installed along the east property line of Lot 16 between Lot 16 and the Lagarto Property (A.P. 128, Lot 82) in accordance with the Abutter Buffer and Planting Plan dated September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2025, as approved.
  - a. If the owner of Lot 82 agrees to additional screening as proposed by the applicant, the Applicant shall install additional plantings along the western boundary of the Lagarto Property in accordance with the plans presented to the planning board by Principe Company, Inc. Karen Beck Registered LA dated September 30, 2025.
- 18) Applicant shall install a vegetated landscape buffer along the eastern boundary of Lot 15, which shall consist of no less than (12) arborvitaes, at a height of at least eight feet at the time of planting, to be planted on AP 128, Lot 84 in the existing landscape easement.
  - a. If the owner of Lot 84 agrees to additional screening as proposed by the applicant, the Applicant shall install additional plantings along the western boundary of the Lot 84 with final land development plans to show this proposed planting.
- 19) All plantings required in accordance with this approval shall be warranted by the Applicant for a period of three (3) years from the date of install.

### Membrane Structure

- 20) The existing 30 x 40 membrane structure on Lot 15 shall be removed by July 1, 2026. Prior to this date, the Applicant shall comply with all requests and directives of the Building Official relating to the membrane structure, including but not limited to the following: providing a stamped and signed letter from a registered professional engineer regarding the safety of the structure; and obtaining a permit for permanent electrical service and lighting in the structure.