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VIA Email

Lathrup Village Building Department
27400 Southfield Rd.
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February 20, 2025

RE: 27700 Southfield Road – Lathrup Village HDC Decision

Lathrup Village Building Department:

This letter will be considered the Lathrup Village Historic District Commission (HDC) certificate of approval. On February 19th, 2025, the HDC met and acted on the application received for 27700 Southfield Road – Annie Lathrup School Partial Demolition & Rehabilitation plans. Below are the motions:

Moved by Warner, seconded by Johnson to approve the 27700 Southfield Road – Annie Lathrup School partial Demolition & Rehabilitation proposal.

Yes: Johnson, Roberts, Warner, Kenez, Khamo

No: N/A

Motion Carried

Moved by Roberts, seconded by Johnson to approve the 27700 Southfield Road – Annie Lathrup School partial Demolition & Rehabilitation plan.

Commissioner Warner – While Section 40-29(e)(8) remains a concern, when only one item does not meet the ordinance requirements, it shows the developer is making an effort. This is a rare project and if the project saves the truly historical portion of the site, then it should continue to move forward.

Secretary Khamo – The ultimate concern is the building being torn down and that may be a possibility. The size (Section 40-29(e)(8)) is still a concern.

Chair Johnson – Believes the petitioners have acted in good faith and the true historical building stays intact. To achieve 9 out of 10 elements of compliance is an achievement. The HDC must stop the potential of the building being demolished.

Vice-Chair Roberts – 9 out of 10 elements appear to be met. The economics make sense, and the original school stays intact.

Commissioner Kenez – The preservation of the building was a major concern. Maintaining the integrity of the area will be needed to showcase the property. Wants to see the relationship in the Village Center district expand if this project proceeds.

Yes: Johnson, Roberts, Warner, Kenez, Khamo

No: N/A

Motion Carried

Based upon the approved motion, this letter will serve as the certificate of approval and the HDC ask the building department to file this in its usual manner and take such action as necessary to require compliance with the approved building plan.

If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Dane Johnson".

Dane Johnson
LV HDC Chairman

cc: Akiva Investments, LLC

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