



CITY OF NOVI CITY COUNCIL SEPTEMBER 30, 2024

SUBJECT: Acceptance of a Conservation Easement associated with JSP19-34: Taft Knolls III for property in Section 22, located north of Ten Mile Road, and east of Taft Road.

SUBMITTING DEPARTMENT: Community Development, Planning

KEY HIGHLIGHTS:

- The Planning Commission approved a Woodland Permit to allow the construction of a single-family subdivision on this land.
- The City Council is asked to accept of a conservation easement to protect remaining woodland trees and woodland replacement trees.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

The applicant, Trowbridge Land Development, received approval of a 13-unit single-family residential development (Site Condominium). The site plan was presented in front of Planning Commission for a Public Hearing on June 10, 2020, where approval was given for the Preliminary Site Plan with Site Condominium, Wetland Permit, Woodland Permit, and the Storm Water Management Plan.

The Woodland Permit was issued on June 26, 2024.

The applicant is offering a Conservation Easement for the purpose of protecting remaining woodland areas and woodland replacement trees. The easement states the subject area shall be perpetually preserved and maintained in its natural and undeveloped condition, unless authorized by permit from the City, and, if applicable, the Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes & Energy. The total conservation area is approximately ± 3.7 acres.

The easement has been reviewed by the City's professional staff and consultants. The easement is in a form acceptable to the City Attorney's office for acceptance by the City Council.

RECOMMENDED ACTION Acceptance of a Conservation Easement associated with JSP19-34: Taft Knolls III, for property in Section 22, located north of Ten Mile Road, and east of Taft Road.