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# WHITE LAKE TOWNSHIP DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SERVICES

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January 9, 2023

Honorable Board of Trustees Charter Township of White Lake 7525 Highland Road White Lake, MI 48383

Re: Deferral of Sanitary Sewer Ordinance 38-514

Honorable Board of Trustees,

The homeowner(s) of 836 S. Williams Lake Rd wish to connect the home to the Township sanitary system. Per sanitary ordinance 38-514 the owners would be required to extend the sewer main across their frontage to make available for future connections.

The home at 836 S. Williams Lake Rd. is a single-family residence that sits on an approx. 2-acre parcel that could be subdivided or redeveloped in the future. The surrounding White Lake parcels are already serviced by Township sewer with the exception of a stormwater basin/park owned by Autumn Glenn subdivision. On the Waterford side there is Hess-Hathaway Park which is deed restricted to remain a Township park to never be developed.

Section 38-514 provides: "Where property is to be connected to the sanitary sewer system, and the sanitary sewer system does not extend the full width of the owner's property, the property owner shall be responsible for extending the sanitary sewer system at the owner's cost across the entire width of such owner's property, so as to allow further extension of the sewer system to adjoining properties."

Since there are no adjoining properties that would utilize the extension to connect to the sanitary sewer system now or in the foreseeable future, it is my opinion that application of section 38-514 of the ordinance in this case would not be in the best interest of the Township and is inconsistent with the Master Plan for the Sanitary System. Therefore, I suggest the Township enter into a deferral agreement with this property owner requiring the extension in accordance with section 38-514 if and when the property is divided, redeveloped or in the event an adjoining property would utilize the extension to connect to the sanitary sewer system.

I request the Board of Trustees approve a deferral of Sanitary Sewer Ord. Sec. 38-514 to be drafted by the Township Attorney and executed by the Township Supervisor.

Please contact my office at 248-698-7700 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Aaron Potter

Director, Department of Public Services

Charter Township of White Lake

#### AGREEMENT FOR DEFERRAL OF SEWER EXTENTION REQUIREMENT

This Agreement is made this _	day of	·	2023, by	the Charte	er
Township of White Lake ("Township")	), a Michigan m	unicipal corporati	on, of 75	25 Highlan	d
Road, White Lake, Michigan 48383 and	l the Sandra Hag	gman Trust of 836	South W	illiams Lak	e
Road, White Lake, Michigan 48386 (col	lectively referred	d to as the "Homeo	wner'').		

#### **RECITALS**

**WHEREAS**, Homeowner holds fee simple title to an approximate 2-acre parcel of real property in the Township commonly known as 836 South Williams Lake Road, White Lake, Michigan 48386, as more particularly described on Exhibit A (the "Property"); and

**WHEREAS**, while the Property may be divided and redeveloped in the future, currently the Property has one Parcel ID and has one existing single-family residential structure that is serviced by a septic system; and

**WHEREAS**, the septic system servicing the single-family residential structure on the Property has failed and the Homeowner desires to connect the existing residential structure to the available public sanitary sewer system; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 38, Section 38-514 of the Township's Code of Ordinances provides: "where property is to be connected to the sanitary sewer system, and the sanitary sewer system does not extend the full width of the owner's property, the property owner shall be responsible for extending the sanitary sewer system at the owner's cost across the entire width of such owner's property, so as to allow further extension of the sewer system to adjoining properties."; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township's Department of Public Services ("DPS") reviewed the location of the Property, the adjoining properties, and determined that the adjoining properties are already connected to the sanitary sewer system and, as such, would not be serviced by an extension of the sanitary sewer system along the full width of the Property; and

WHEREAS, DPS determined that the extension of the sanitary sewer system along the full width of the Property is contrary to the overall design of the sanitary sewer system and is inconsistent with the Township's Sanitary System Master Plan; and

WHEREAS, DPS determined that it is in the best interest of the Township to defer the requirement of 38-514 to extend the sanitary sewer system along the full width of the Property

unless and until the parcel is divided or redeveloped, or for any other reason if the Township determines in its sole discretion that the extension is in the best interest of the Township; and

WHEREAS, Homeowner desires to connect the Property to the existing sanitary sewer system along South Williams Lake Road, without extension at this time, with the understanding that Homeowner will be required to extend the sanitary sewer system the full width of the Property and in accordance with Section 38-514 in the event the Property is divided or redeveloped, or if the Township determines in its sole discretion that the extension is in the best interest of the Township.

#### **AGREEMENT**

**NOW, THEREFORE**, for good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the parties agree as follows:

- 1. Homeowner shall immediately connect the single-family structure on the Property to the available public sewer system along South Williams Lake Road at Homeowner's sole cost and expense. Homeowner is required to pay all fees, costs and charges for connection to and use of the public sewer system suppling sewer services to the Property, and for any charges for plumbing or other related appurtenances, in accordance with all applicable Township Ordinances.
- 2. Homeowner is not required to extend the sanitary sewer system across the entire width of the Property unless and until the Property is divided or redeveloped, or if the Township determines in its sole discretion that the extension is in the best interest of the Township.
- 3. Homeowner acknowledges and agrees that Homeowner has had the opportunity to consult with legal counsel regarding this Agreement. Accordingly, the terms of this Agreement shall not be construed against the Township because the Township drafted the Agreement or construed in favor of the Homeowner because the Homeowner failed to understand the legal effect of the provisions of this Agreement.
- 4. Homeowner has executed this Agreement as a free and voluntary act without duress, coercion or undue influence exerted by or on behalf of the Township.
- 5. This Agreement shall apply to and bind the heirs, personal representatives, administrators, successors and assigns of the parties.
- 6. The recitals set forth in this Agreement are integral and shall be considered part of this Agreement as if fully set forth as numbered paragraphs in this Agreement.
- 7. The failure to exercise, or delay in exercising, any power or right under this Agreement shall not operate as a waiver, nor shall any single or partial exercise of any such right or power preclude any other or further exercise thereof or the exercise of remedies otherwise available in equity or law.
- 8. This Agreement shall not be construed for or against either of the parties and the parties agree that it shall be deemed to have been drafted by both parties.

- 9. This Agreement shall be recorded at the office of the Oakland County Register of Deeds.
- 10. This represents the entire agreement between the parties and cannot be modified or amended except in writing signed by the parties.
- 11. This Agreement is enforceable in the Oakland County Circuit Court. The validity, construction, interpretation, and administration of this Agreement are governed by the laws of the State of Michigan.

			HOMEOWNER	
Dated:, 20			By:	
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STATE OF MICHIGAN	)			
COUNTY OF	) ss )			
personally appeared the above-resouth Williams Lake Road, Whit foregoing Agreement and acknow	e Lake, N	/lichiga	n 48386 and made oa	oth that they have read the
				, Notary Public
			County of	, State of Michigan
			My commission ex	pires:
			Acting in	County
			Charter Township	of White Lake
Dated:, 20_		By: Its:	Rik Kowall Supervisor	
STATE OF MICHIGAN	)			
COUNTY OF	) ss )			

On this day of 20, b personally appeared Rik Kowall, on behalf of		
the Agreement and acknowledged that he has		
White Lake in his capacity as its Supervisor.		
		, Notary Public
	County of	, State of Michigan
	My commission ex	xpires:
	Acting in	County

### EXHIBIT A

[Insert Legal Description]

Parcel ID 12-36-200-003

## 836 S. Williams Lake Rd



December 28, 2022

#### polygonLayer



Override 1

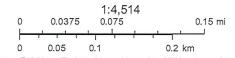


Water Well House

Water Booster Station



RoosterStation



Source: Esri, Maxar, Earthstar Geographics, and the GIS User Community