Director's Report

Project Name: 8357 Pontiac Lake Road

Description: Rezoning Request

Date on Agenda this packet pertains to: May 2, 2024

⊠Public Hearing	□Special Land Use
⊠Initial Submittal	⊠Rezoning
☐Revised Plans	□Other:
□ Preliminary Approval	
☐Final Approval	

Contact	Consultants & Departments	Approval	Denial	Approved w/Conditions	Other	Comments
Sean O'Neil	Community Development Director				\boxtimes	Based on comments from the Staff Planner
Justin Quagliata	Staff Planner	\boxtimes				See letter dated 04/23/2024

WHITE LAKE TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION

REPORT OF THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

TO: Planning Commission

FROM: Sean O'Neil, AICP, Community Development Director

Justin Quagliata, Staff Planner

DATE: April 23, 2024

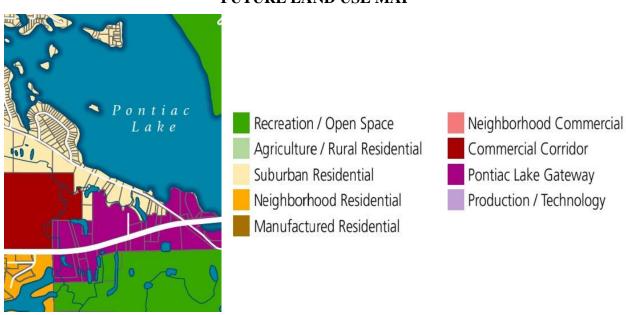
RE: 8357 Pontiac Lake Road (Parcel Number 12-13-454-002)

Rezoning - Review #1

Kathryn Chipman has requested the rezoning of approximately 0.41 acre located at 8357 Pontiac Lake Road from R1-C (Single-Family Residential) to RM-1 (Attached Single-Family). The site is located on the south side of Pontiac Lake Road, north of Highland Road (M-59) and contains approximately 51.05 feet of frontage on Pontiac Lake Road.

The Future Land Use Map from the 2024 Master Plan designates the subject site in the Suburban Residential category, which is intended to provide large lot, low density residences with open space preservation in residential subdivisions. The density of Suburban Residential areas is planned to range between 0.5 and 3.0 dwelling units per acre (du/a).

FUTURE LAND USE MAP

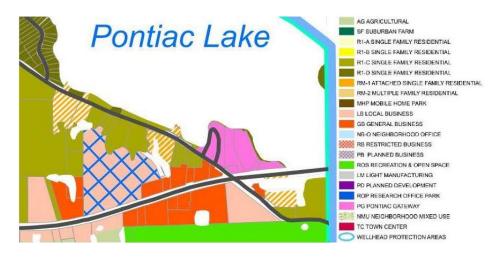


Zoning

The subject site is currently zoned R1-C, which requires a minimum of 100 feet of lot width and 16,000 square feet of lot area. The requested RM-1 zoning district requires a minimum of 100 feet of lot width and 10,000 square feet of lot area for the first unit with each additional unit requiring additional lot area (as promulgated by Section 3.1.8.E of the Zoning Ordinance). With approximately 51.05 feet of lot width on Pontiac Lake Road and 0.41 acre of lot area, the site does not comply with the lot width requirement of the existing and proposed zoning districts. However, the site meets the minimum standard for lot area of the existing and proposed zoning districts. The following table illustrates the lot width and lot area standards for the existing R1-C and proposed RM-1 zoning districts:

ZONING DISTRICT	LOT WIDTH	LOT AREA
R1-C	100 feet	16,000 square feet
RM-1	100 feet	10,000 square feet, plus additional area based on the number of units

ZONING MAP



Physical Features

A single-family house and shed occupy the center/northern portion of the parcel. Relative to topography, there is a depression of several feet in the southern portion of the property. The Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy (EGLE) Wetland Map indicates the presence of potential wetland in the southern portion of the parcel. Prior to any development in this area, a wetland delineation would be required. The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Flood Insurance Rate Map indicates floodplain is not present on the site.

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Access

The site fronts on Pontiac Lake Road, which along the subject property is a paved, public road designated a local road by the National Functional Classification System (NFCS) utilized by the Road Commission for Oakland County (RCOC). The most recent (2022) traffic count information from the Southeast Michigan Council of Governments (SEMCOG) Regional Traffic Count Database for Pontiac Lake Road, from Highland Road to Teggerdine Road, showed a total of 2,400 vehicles in a 24-hour period. It is staff's understanding Pontiac Lake Road between Kingston Steet and Margie Drive will be paved by the RCOC in 2026. It is likely paving the aforementioned portion of Pontiac Lake Road will result in increased traffic.

Utilities

The property is currently not served by public utilities; however, sanitary sewer is available to serve the site.

Staff Analysis

In considering any petition for an amendment to the zoning map, the Planning Commission and Township Board must consider the following criteria from Section 7.13 of the Zoning Ordinance in making its findings, recommendations, and decision:

- A. Consistency with the goals, policies and future land use map of the White Lake Township Master Plan, including any subarea or corridor studies. If conditions have changed since the Master Plan was adopted, the consistency with recent development trends in the area. The Future Land Use Map from the 2024 Master Plan designates the subject site in the Suburban Residential category, which does not align with the proposed RM-1 zoning district. However, the proposed rezoning is compatible with surrounding land uses (see Item K on Page 5).
- B. Compatibility of the site's physical, geological, hydrological and other environmental features with the host of uses permitted in the proposed zoning district. If the property is rezoned to RM-1, it would not directly or indirectly have a substantial adverse impact on the natural resources of the Township.
- C. Evidence the applicant cannot receive a reasonable return on investment through developing the property with one (1) of the uses permitted under the current zoning. No such evidence has been submitted.
- D. The compatibility of all the potential uses allowed in the proposed zoning district with surrounding uses and zoning in terms of land suitability, impacts on the environment, density, nature of use, traffic impacts, aesthetics, infrastructure and potential influence on property values. The permitted principal uses in the RM-1 district are compatible with the surrounding uses and the nature of the uses anticipated in the Township Master Plan. Only the Township Assessor may provide comment on property values.

- E. The capacity of Township utilities and services sufficient to accommodate the uses permitted in the requested district without compromising the "health, safety and welfare" of the Township. The site is in an area intended to be serviced by sanitary sewer. The Community Development Department defers to the Director of Public Services and Township Engineering Consultant on this matter.
- F. The capability of the street system to safely and efficiently accommodate the expected traffic generated by uses permitted in the requested zoning district. A rezoning traffic study (RTS) shall be provided as described in Section 6.3 of the Zoning Ordinance. Staff recommends the Planning Commission postpone action on the proposed rezoning request until a RTS is submitted for staff and consultant review.
- G. The apparent demand for the types of uses permitted in the requested zoning district in relation to the amount of land in the township currently zoned and available to accommodate the demand. Evidence of the demand in the Township for additional RM-1 zoned property has not been submitted. However, the location is appropriate for property zoned as such, given the traffic, residential units, and general density in the area.
- H. The boundaries of the requested rezoning district are reasonable in relationship to its surroundings, and construction on the site will be able to meet the dimensional regulations for the zoning district listed in the Schedule of Regulations. Redevelopment of the site is not proposed at this time. Factors that may impact future redevelopment of the site, such as, but not limited to, soils, topography, site layout, landscape and screening, stormwater/drainage, and utilities would be considered during site plan review.
- I. The requested zoning district is considered to be more appropriate from the township's perspective than another zoning district. The permitted principal uses allowed in the RM-1 district are appropriate for the site. Some of the special land uses allowed in the RM-1 district are appropriate for the site.
- J. If the request is for a specific use, is rezoning the land more appropriate than amending the list of permitted or special land uses in the current zoning district to allow the use? The Applicant indicated desire to utilize the property, and its access to Pontiac Lake on the north side of Pontiac Lake Road, as a launch point to shuttle children to Gale Island for their Skull Island Camp business. The Applicant would also like to use their Puppy Pirates property at 8330 Highland Road as a drop-off/pick-up point for the camp. Childcare centers require special land use approval from the Planning Commission in the RM-1 zoning district. The Puppy Pirates site plan would also need to be amended to facilitate the required site improvements on that property. It should be noted at the August 16, 2018 Planning Commission meeting (when the special land use for the Puppy Pirates commercial kennel was discussed), the Applicant stated the Puppy Pirates property would not be used for the Skull Island Camp business. At the time staff noted concern with pedestrians crossing Pontiac Lake Road. One of the special land use review criteria states particular attention shall be paid to minimizing child-vehicle interfacing, and the proposed use shall be of a nature that will make vehicular and pedestrian traffic no more hazardous than is normal for the district involved.

- K. The requested rezoning will not create an isolated and unplanned spot zone. The site is bordered by R1-C zoning to the north and east, RM-2 (Multiple-Family) zoning to the west, and GB (General Business) zoning to the south. In terms of residential development, RM-1 and RM-2 are compatible zoning districts. The proposed rezoning is within context of the surrounding neighborhood.
- L. The request has not previously been submitted within the past one (1) year, unless conditions have changed or new information has been provided. This request is a new application.
- M. An offer of conditions submitted as part of a conditional rezoning request shall bear a reasonable and rational relationship to the property for which rezoning is requested. This standard is not applicable.
- N. Other factors deemed appropriate by the Planning Commission and Township Board. The Planning Commission and Township Board could also consider other factors which may be relevant to the rezoning request.

Rezoning the property from R1-C to RM-1 will render the current single-family use of the property nonconforming, as detached single-family dwellings are not permitted in the RM-1 district. Nonconforming uses of land and nonconforming structures cannot be altered, enlarged/increased, or extended. If a nonconforming structure or portion of a structure containing a nonconforming use becomes physically unsafe or unlawful due to lack of repairs and maintenance, and is declared by the Building Official to be unsafe or unlawful by reason of physical condition, it may be structurally altered as permitted by the Building Official to restore it to a safe condition provided the cost of such work does not exceed 50 percent of the State Equalized Valuation of such building or structure at the time such work is done.

Planning Commission Options / Recommendation

The Planning Commission may recommend approval or denial of the rezoning request, or it may recommend a different zoning designation than proposed by the Applicant to the Township Board. As submitted, the rezoning application is incomplete without provision of a RTS. <u>Staff recommends the Planning Commission postpone action on the proposed rezoning request until a RTS is submitted for staff and the Township's traffic engineering consultant review.</u>

Attachment:

1. Minutes of the August 16, 2018 Planning Commission meeting.

Rik Kowall, Supervisor Terry Lilley, Clerk Mike Roman, Treasurer



Trustees Scott Ruggles Michael Powell Andrea C. Voorheis Liz Fessler Smith

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WHITE LAKE TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION

7525 Highland Road White Lake, MI 48383 August 16, 2018 @ 7:00 p.m.

Mr. Anderson called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll was called: Mr. Ruggles and Mr. Noble were absent.

ROLL CALL:

Steve Anderson - Chairperson

Merrie Carlock **Debby Dehart** Mark Fine

Rhonda Grubb - Secretary Anthony Noble - Excused

Peter Meagher

Scott Ruggles, Board Liaison - Excused

Joe Seward

Also Present:

Sean O'Neil, AICP, Community Development Director

Aaron Potter, DPS Director

Lynn Hinton, Recording Secretary

Visitors:

Approval of Agenda

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Mr. Meagher moved to approve the agenda as presented. Mr. Fine supported and the MOTION CARRIED with a voice vote. (7 yes votes)

Approval of Minutes

a. July 19, 2018

Mr. Fine moved to approve the minutes of July 19, 2018 as corrected. Mr. Meagher supported and the MOTION CARRIED with a voice vote. (7 yes votes)

Call to the Public (for items not on the agenda)

Mr. Anderson opened the discussion for public comment on items not listed on the agenda.

Sandra Fitzpatrick, 9673 Bonnie Briar, White Lake, indicated that they been sharing a community lot (9510 Buckingham) with neighbors and friends since 1994. They have maintained the lot and have allowed people to come and camp overnight and they have never abused that. All of the sudden, the township has said they cannot use the lot. Their grandkids come and stay with them and now they are told they cannot have overnight visitors on the lot. She doesn't understand why. They are looking for permission to continue using it, as they have been doing since 1994.

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Mr. Anderson stated that they need to make a formal proposal and send it into the Planning Board. Mr. O'Neil indicated that the township has not changed the ordinance so his guess would be that someone may have called and complained. This group cannot give permission, but it could look at changing an ordinance. He suggested beginning the process by putting a letter together requesting that this issue be discussed and consider having the ordinance changed. The township does not grant a use variance unless it has historically done so in the past. Keep in mind that this would also change the ordinance for every other landowner too.

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Ms. Fitzpatrick stated she understands the reason for the ordinance but doesn't understand when this went into effect. They were never aware they were in violation for all these years. Mr. O'Neil asked whether this was a neighbor issue, but Ms. Fitzpatrick didn't think so. She said there are only 2 neighbors and they both use the lot too. She will put together a formal letter and submit it to the Planning Department.

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Public Hearing:

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a. File No. 18-021 Puppy Pirates Dog Camp

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Located on north side of Highland Road, just west of Pontiac Lake Road, Location:

currently zoned (GB) General Business, identified as parcel numbers 12-13-454-

021 (8330 Highland Road) and 12-13-454-020 (vacant), consisting of

approximately 1.28 acres.

Request:

1) Special Land Use Permit

Applicant:

Mr. Mike Standerwick 8330 Highland Road

White Lake, MI 48386

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Mr. O'Neil indicated that the request is to use an existing building (formerly San Juan Pools), for a dog daycare. Currently, commercial kennels are allowed as a Special Land Use in the General Business (GB) district however, kennels as we know them do not exist today. These types of uses today are more like dog hotels but the only classification this request can go in is "Kennels". Further, the style of care has changed dramatically over the years. The dogs cannot let themselves out. Our ordinance does not address this type of dog care. The commission is only considering the Special Land Use, the site plan will be reviewed administratively.

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Mr. O'Neil read a portion of the ordinance pertaining to Kennels. He noted that the site abutting the land is zoned R1-C and typical outdoor runs are not allowed. A distinction can be made where animals can be walked on a leash for exercise and this can also be monitored.

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Mr. Standerwick addressed the commissioners. He indicated that the backyard area is 100 ft. from the rear of the building and roughly 5,000 sq. ft. fenced in. There are two fence lines. The first fence line is 32 ft. to accommodate small dogs and the other fence line is 80 ft. deep for large dogs.

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Mr. O'Neil added that there is a line that shows vegetation and the fence is adjacent to the property line. There is a narrow area that will stay and then open back up again. The existing gravel area will be for employee parking and they will leave the paved area for customers.

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He referenced McKenna's letter of August 6, 2018. Their letter indicates this use could meet all the standards set forth with conditions and the Planning Commission is also charged with making findings. The site is large enough to accommodate this use but concerns with abutting residential needs to be addressed. Vehicular and pedestrian traffic would be no more hazardous than it is currently and traffic will be reasonable.

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Mr. O'Neil mentioned to the applicant that there is discussion that this might be a drop off point for Skull 112 113 Island, which the applicant is affiliated with. Mr. Standerwick and Ms. Chipman disagreed and said the 114 site will only support the use discussed this evening. Mr. O'Neil that this is not approximate to a dock and he would be concerned with pedestrians crossing Pontiac Lake Road.

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Also in reference to McKenna's letter of August 6, 2018, there are recommendations to replace the chain link fence with a solid one; eliminate any possible noxious use by reason of dust, noise, etc.; suggest a plan of operation and protocols of policing animals and waste removal; and connection to sewer is necessary, as per Aaron Potter, DPS Director. Any other requirements will be addressed through the site plan process administratively.

Mr. Standerwick indicated they have two buildings; the front building will be used for grooming and the rear building will be for the day care of the dogs. They have an issue with the water that they will follow up and discuss with Mr. Potter. He has talked with the groomer, who averages 7-10 dogs/day. He would like to get the grooming business up and running as soon as possible.

Mr. Standerwick continued by stating that the rear building is split into 3 rooms; the back room is 1,000 sq. ft. with a door that pulls up. They have talked about how they will operate, by having 2 to 3 people with the dogs at all times. The dogs will be let out every few hours. The hours could be 6 or 7 am until 9 or 10 pm. At this time, they have no plans for any overnight kennels. Mr. O'Neil noted for the group that overnight kennels were discussed as a possibility in the future. If the Special Land Use is passed, there has to be a time at night that dogs are in and cannot go back out. Ms. Chipman felt 10pm-6am would be reasonable. Mr. O'Neil cautioned that if they got a lot of noise complaints, they would have to come back and the Special Land Use could be revoked or partially revoked eliminating the overnight kennels. The operational plan needs to address this. Ms. Dehart asked if anyone would be there all night if the dogs stay overnight and Mr. Standerwick responded that there would not.

Mr. Potter addressed the water issue briefly and indicated the engineers are back working on the site plan for the grinder station. The dog grooming would be 3x the residential units and there is the unlikelihood of the field being able to hold up to the amount of use. He added that this site has a private well.

The other owners were present this evening as well. Michael Chipman and Katherine Chipman (sister to Mr. Standerwick).

Mr. Seward questioned the small and large fenced in areas and whether just 1 or 2 people in each area would be enough? Mr. Standerwick responded that it would depend on how the dogs get along. He has it designed to separate sizes, but he will need at least 2 people outside. Right now, the inside is one open room with two smaller rooms 18x20 ft. each. Mr. Chipman added that Camp Bow Wow has a fenced area inside the garage doors with separate exits. They personally haven't gotten that far yet into their plan. Mr. Seward asked how many dogs they anticipate and Mr. Standerwick responded 30-35, at which Mr. Seward was surprised that 2 people can handle this many dogs. Ms. Chipman noted that they, the owners will be on site in addition to the 2 employees.

Ms. Carlock asked if state agency oversees this type of use and Ms. Chipman stated there was not. Ms. Carlock asked about waste clean-up. Mr. Standerwick indicated that they would have a service take care of this.

Mr. Fine is concerned with noise bothering the neighbors. Ms. Chipman indicated she has talked to the neighbors and no one is opposed. Further, jets coming from the airport are louder than the dogs would be. Mr. Fine feels the neighbors may be ok now, but if someone moves, a new resident might not be.

Mr. Anderson stated that they have a plan of what they want, but there is no structure of the application i.e., time of operation; number of employees; what time the dogs will be outside, etc. He wants to understand exactly what the game plan is.

Mr. Chipman responded that they would request a maximum number of 50 dogs at any given time; hours of operation will be 6:00 am and the dogs will start cycling through outside at 8:00 am. Camp will close at 10:00 pm. Mr. O'Neil noted that the decibel level requirement drops at 9:00 pm. Mr. Chipman stated they may have an older dog outside at 9:30 pm. Mr. O'Neil indicated that there is a nuisance ordinance and officers will not go by decibel level, they will stand outside listening for breaches of disturbance of the peace. He does not object to the 6:00 am-10:00 pm window. The spirit is to adhere to the performance standards of the zoning ordinance.

Mr. Anderson said when looking at parking regulations versus the number of dogs at 50, this might be a problem. Mr. O'Neil thinks parking will be a problem at 50 dogs and they would have to expand the parking lot. Current review from McKenna indicates that parking is adequate for up to 30 dogs.

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Ms. Dehart googled whether there was a norm for square footage per dog and it came back stating 70-100 sg. ft. per dog and 50 sg. ft. for small dogs is preferable. Since this is an indoor area she feels 70-100 sq. ft. for playing purposes is a good starting point. Having 30 dogs would equate to 2,100 sq. ft.

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Mr. Anderson asked how the dogs would be housed inside, whether they are loose or in crates. Mr. Standerwick stated they have crates along the wall and they have enough for 30 dogs. When it's time for the dogs to settle down, they will be crated. Mr. Fine googled MSU Animal Welfare, which indicates kennels should provide 9 sq. ft. average per dog.

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Mr. Meagher asked if they had experience with child day care and Ms. Chipman stated they have experience rotating kids at Skull Island on Pontiac Lake. He feels it would be a nuisance if he were sitting on his patio listening to 30 dogs out at once. Mr. Chipman said he currently sits on his deck and can't have a conservation when the jets fly over.

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Ms. Chipman stated that they are looking to open a business and there is a serious need in this direct area. She is not looking to upset people with barking dogs. They want to run a successful business.

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Ms. Dehart addressed the waste removal. If the dumpster is not emptied regularly there will be flies and odor. Mr. Standerwick noted that Waste Management picks up for Camp Bow Wow and they are checking into to this.

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Ms. Grubb is surprised there isn't regulation with a government agency. She hopes they have a good plan before they get started. Noise, waste and overcrowding are concerns. She would not like to see them have their Special Land Use revoked.

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Mr. Seward asked if there would be any breeding and Mr. Standerwick stated there would not, at least not intentionally.

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Mr. Chipman continued by stated that the grooming is their main service and the day car may be holding dogs for a few hours. A lot of them will be coming and going with grooming.

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Mr. Meagher noted that the commission is in charge of the Master Plan, he questioned whether this use fits in the Planned Neighborhood designation for the area under the Master Plan. Mr. O'Neil responded that one criterium in a Special Land Use is whether it is an appropriate use. Planned Neighborhood has a commercial element, i.e., barber, nail salon, etc. He doesn't think a dog day care is inappropriate. This will be located in the loudest part of the township wedged between the airport and along the county trunk line. This would be one of the few places where it hopefully would not be a problem.

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Mr. Anderson opened the public hearing at 8:17pm.

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Barbara Hendricks, 341 Rail Drive, GA is in favor of the request.

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With no other comments, Mr. Anderson closed the public hearing at 8:19 pm.

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Ms. Carlock stated that she is not ready to do a blanket for overnight care.

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Mr. Anderson asked the following questions and Mr. Standerwick answered:

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Hours of operation: 6am-10pm

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Maximum number of dogs at a given time: 30

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Overnight care: Future possibility, but not at the current time

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Days of operation: 7 days per week

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The site plan will be reviewed administratively and approved by staff and consultants after meeting all requirements. The pathway issue will be addressed internally in the office. Lastly, the Special Land Use attaches to the site plan and the site plan is not done yet.

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Mr. Seward moved in File 18-021 Puppy Pirates Dog Camp to approve the Special Land Use with the following conditions: The hours of operation are 6:00am-10:00pm but that the dogs will not be taken our only between 8:00am-9:00pm; that no more than 30 dogs at one time in the boarding area; subject to licensing required by the State of Michigan; no overnight boarding of dogs at this time; that the kennel be open 7 days per week and subject to meeting administrative requirements of the site plan; reference the August 6, 2018 letter from McKenna Associates' recommendations: and make a finding that this is an appropriate use for the property and meets the intent of the ordinance. Mr. Meagher supported and the MOTION CARRIED with a roll call vote: Anderson yes; Carlock - yes; Dehart - yes; Fine - yes; Grubb - yes; Meagher - yes; Seward - yes. (7 yes votes)

New Business:

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Review and discussion of the draft 2019-2024 Capital Improvements Plan (CIP)

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> Mr. O'Neil stated that this is the annual update to the CIP. Basically, they have gone through this and gathered information from the departments. There were not many changes. Most projects rolled ahead or were pushed back. Iron filtration is a new project that is up and running.

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Mr. O'Neil indicated there will be a public hearing on this at the September 6, 2018 meeting. Please contact him or Jason lacoangeli with any questions or comments or changes.

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Liaison's Report:

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Mr. Ruggles was not present to give a report.

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Ms. Grubb reported that the Parks & Rec set the Halloween Trunk or Treats event for Saturday, October 20 at Fisk Farm, in conjunction with their event. They are fixing the pathway at Vetter Park, there is a hole that needs repair. They are also fixing cracks in the pathway at Hawley Park. Mr. lacoangeli is getting quotes on fixing the back of the infield at Vetter Park. They are accepting bids tomorrow at 3:00 pm for the Fisk Farm pathway along Fisk Road. We allotted up to \$85k for that project which includes the pathway, fences, and driveway relocation. The township is also hoping for a grant to support acquiring Brendel campground, and we will have an answer in December. Ms. Dehart asked about the problem with horses on the trails at Bloomer Park. Ms. Carlock responded that they will bring it up at the next meeting.

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Ms. Dehart did not give a Zoning Board report.

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Director's Report:

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Mr. O'Neil stated 4 Corners is moving ahead with utilities in the ground; the Ravines on Ormond Road will be coming in at the September 20th meeting. September 6 will be the public hearing for the CIP; and a preliminary hearing and site plan for Reserve at Twin Lakes, who revised their homes, he thinks for the better.

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Communications:

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Next meeting dates:

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Regular Meeting – September 6, 2018

Regular Meeting - September 20, 2018

Adjournment

290 Mr. Meagher moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:50 p.m. Mr. Fine supported and the MOTION CARRIED with a unanimous voice vote. (7 yes votes)

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF WHITE LAKE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT 7525 Highland Road, White Lake, Michigan 48383-2900 248-698-3300, Ext. 163

APPLICATION TO REZONE PROPERTY

Date: MARCH 18, 2024
Applicant: KATHRYN CHIPMAN
Address: 8357 PONTIAC LAKE RD, WHITE LAKE 48386
Phone No.: 248-789-2223 Fax No.:
E-mail: SKULLISLANDCAMP@GMAIL.COM
Applicant's Interest in Property: OWNER
Property Owner: SAME AS ABOVE
Owner's Address:
Phone No.: Fax No.:
Location of Property: 8357 PONTIAC LAKE RD Sidwell No(s).: Y-12-13-454-002 Total area of change: 41
Required Attachments: ATTACHED 1. Legal description of the property proposed to be rezoned.
ATT 2. Location map
3. Rezoning sign location map
4. Statement indicating why change is requested
5 Review fee (check payable to the Charter Township of White Lake)

Skull Island Camp 2400 Gale Rd White Lake, MI 48386 249-789-2223

March 18, 2024

To Whom It May Concern,

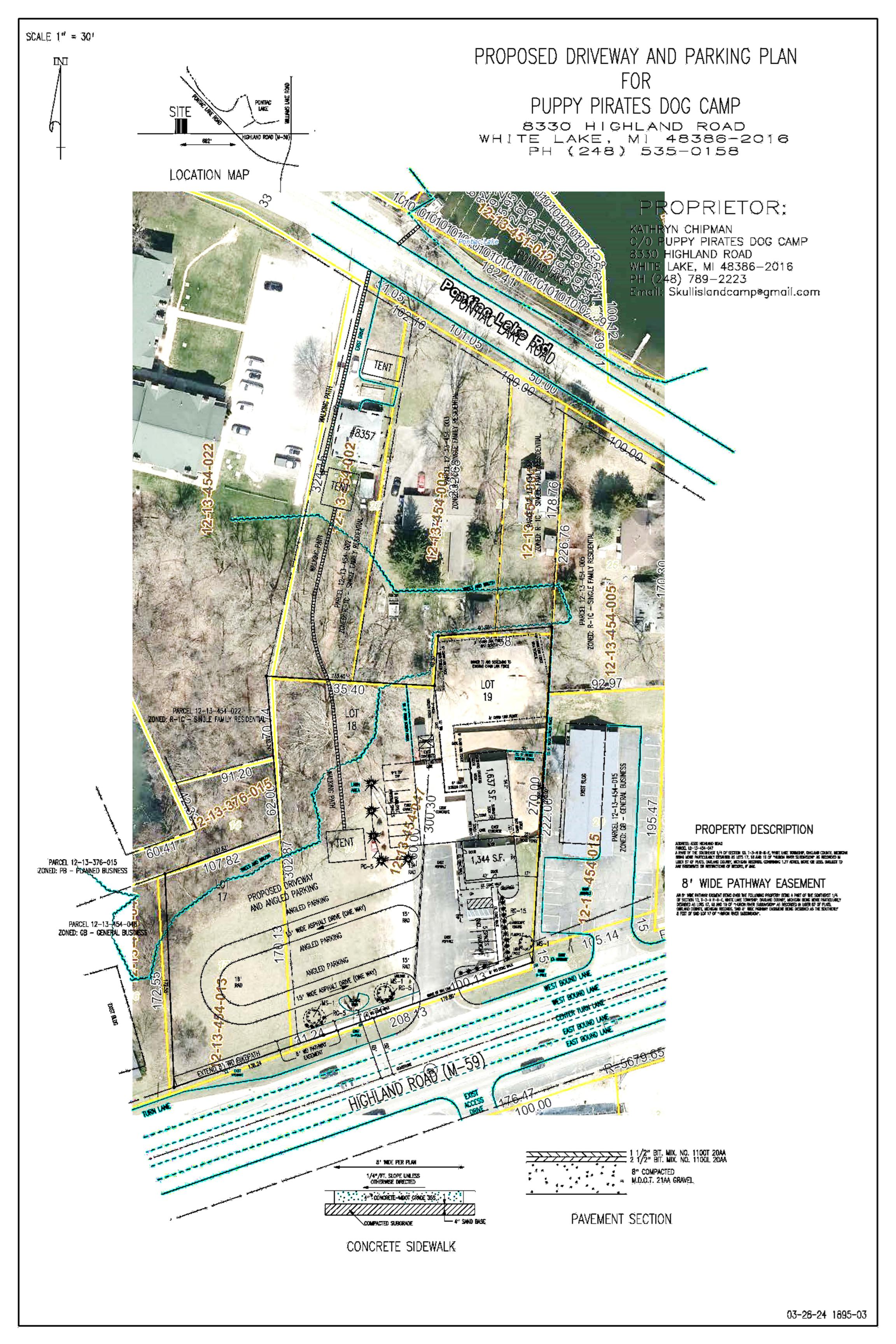
We are applying an application to rezone our property located at 8357 Pontiac Lake Rd, White Lake, MI 48386 from 'Residential' to the 'Pontiac Lake Gateway District".

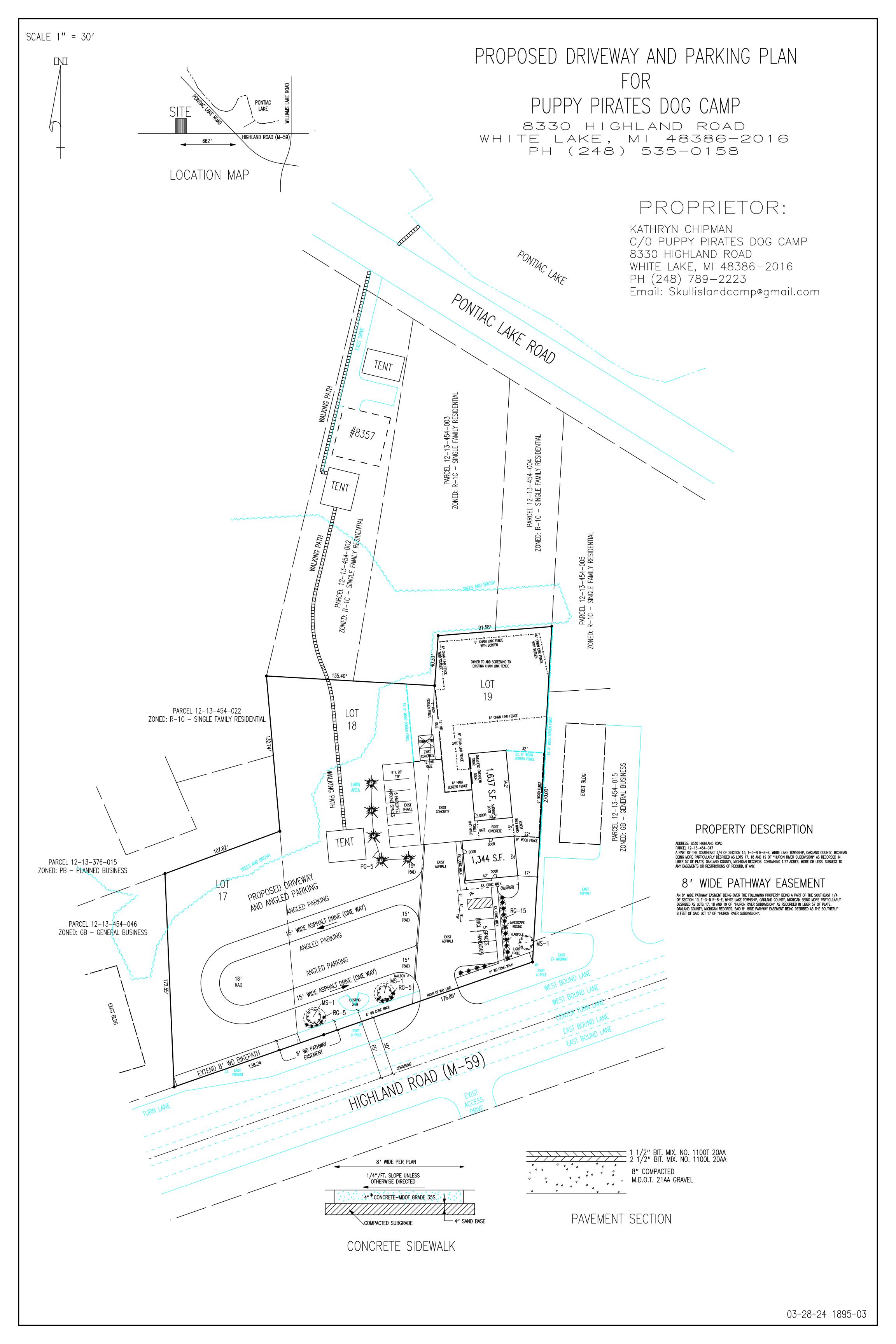
We would like to develop our above property and our adjoining property behind it located at 8330 and 8335 Highland Rd. We are simply looking for temporary parking for parents from 7:30 to 9:30 in the morning from June 10 to Aug 30 and in the afternoons from 3 to 6pm. Understand that this is just to act as a drop off and pick up area for the children.

In utilizing this area it will allow us 2 emergency drop zones 8357 Pontiac Lake and 8330 Highland Rd to get the children safely off the island to shelter if needed in the case of developing dangerous weather.

Reason below.

On March 2, 2024 Walts Point decided that they were no longer interested in doing business with us unless they increased our fee to \$150,000 paid in full by May 1, 2024. Please see attached letter. We scrambled and have a pending lease with Mike Zeer who owns the 8300 Pontiac Lake (old trailer park). This lease is to simply use the open land for the 12 weeks for \$45,000. Upon further discovery we have realized that in the case of tornado like weather there is no safe place for the children to be housed for their parents. This option is only a bandaid and has the elements of possibly putting children in harms way. We would like to petition the city to rather than lease another 45k away but to develop the property we have and put the money back into further development of the Gateway Project.





WHITE LAKE TOWNSHIP NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given the Planning Commission of the Charter Township of White Lake will hold a public hearing on **Thursday, May 2, 2024**, at **6:30 P.M.** at the Township Annex, 7527 Highland Road, White Lake, Michigan 48383, to consider the following changes to the zoning map:

Property identified as Parcel Number 12-13-454-002 (8357 Pontiac Lake Road), located on the south side of Pontiac Lake Road, north of Highland Road, consisting of approximately 0.41 acres.

Applicant requests to rezone the parcel from R1-C (Single Family Residential) to RM-1 (Attached Single-Family) or any other appropriate zoning district.

Persons interested are requested to be present. Pertinent information relative to this rezoning request is on file at the Community Development Department and may be examined at any time during the Township's regular business hours; Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. through 5:00 p.m. Persons interested may visit the Community Development Department, contact the Community Development Department by telephone at 248-698-3300, ext. 5, or attend the Public Hearing on the date specified. Written comments are also welcome at 7525 Highland Road, White Lake, MI 48383. Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services should contact the Clerk's Office at least 5 days before the hearing.

Sean O'Neil, AICP Community Development Director