City of Sugar Hill Planning Staff Report **AX 24-003**

TO: November 13, 2024
TO: Planning Commission
FROM: Planning Director
SUBJECT: Annexation AX 24-003

5871 Hillside Farm Rd and 545 Riverside Rd

ISSUE:

Annexation of this 20.09 acre assemblage of parcels was initiated by an application from Hillside Holdings, LLC dated October 22, 2024. Applicant is requesting General Business (BG) for a brewpub, event venue, and chapel. The applicant is requesting buffer reductions for parcels 7-339-121 and 7-339-057 for existing conditions and site access. The applicant is requesting a special use permit for an event facility.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

Recommend approval of annexation of Parcels 7-339-121 and 7-339-057.

Recommend approval of rezoning and special use permit for an event center for Parcels 7-339-121 and 7-339-057 with the following conditions:

- 1. The development shall substantially conform to the site plan (Exhibits 1-5) submitted with the application, particularly regarding its general features, placement, and alignments.
- 2. The applicant shall construct a two-way stop enhanced intersection at the intersection of the Sugar Hill Crossing internal road and Hillside Farm Road, as recommended by the traffic study submitted with the application dated September 16, 2024.
- 3. All existing structures which are not proposed to be demolished shall be brought into compliance based on their proposed occupancy in relation to the current International Building Code and other applicable codes.
- 4. Any proposed pickleball courts shall be a minimum of 500' from residential properties. If soundproofing/sound absorption products are used, courts shall be a minimum of 250' from residential properties.
- 5. Natural gas appliances shall be used where alterations or additions are made for the initiation of the commercial uses.
- 6. The zoning buffer shall be reduced to 25' from 75' for parcel 7-339-121 against parcels 7-339-094 and 7-339-093 for an existing structure. No further removal of vegetation or encroachment into the buffer is permitted. Unless as otherwise required by the conditions of the rezoning, other applicable codes, or usual and customary maintenance, exterior expansions of the existing structure are not permitted.
- 7. The zoning buffer shall be reduced to 15' from 75' for parcel 7-339-057 for an existing structure, driveway, and clearing. Use of the reduced buffer area shall be limited to the existing structure and driveway and proposed overflow parking, where no further removal of vegetation or encroachment into the buffer is permitted. Unless as otherwise required by the conditions of the rezoning, other applicable codes, or usual and customary maintenance, exterior expansion of the existing structures is not permitted.

- 8. The zoning buffer shall be reduced to 20' from 75' for parcel 7-339-057 against parcels 7-339-221 and 7-339-293 for the purpose of stormwater management only.
- 9. The zoning buffer shall be reduced to 0' from 75' for parcel 7-339-057 for an access driveway improvement, sewer connection, and stormwater detention.

DISCUSSION

- Background information: The City of Sugar Hill received an application dated June 26, 2024, for an annexation application from Hillside Holdings, LLC. This application was requested by the applicant to be withdrawn in order to revise the application; the withdrawal was approved by City Council at the September 9, 2024, meeting.
- The proposed annexation meets state requirements under the 100% method and does not create an unincorporated island. Gwinnett County Board of Commissioners and Gwinnett County Public School Board were notified of the application.
- Parcel 7-339-121 is presently zoned Agriculture Residential (RA200) in Gwinnett County. Parcel 7-339-057 is presently zoned single-family residential (R100) in Gwinnett County.
- The parcels are located between a commercial node, residential areas, and vacant land designated as greenspace. The future land use designation for the property in the County is traditional residential. Planning staff recommends a land use character designation of Commercial Node.
- The property is currently developed with several single-family detached residences. The
 property features access through the Sugar Hill Corners shopping center through a private
 easement. There is an existing deteriorated access road off of Riverside Road. The proposal
 includes utilizing four of the existing buildings. Recreational uses such as a pickleball court may
 be included.
- The proposed use of the site includes a 6,600 square foot brewpub, a 9,240 square foot event facility, and a 2,330 square foot chapel.
- Parcel 7-339-294 is presently zoned RA200 in Gwinnett County. This parcel is not part of the application to annex and rezone; however, the parcel would be utilized for stormwater management for the proposed project.
- The applicant has stated intent for a brew pub at this time. It is required that they apply for a special use permit to pursue a microbrewery in the future, and the applicant has been made aware of this requirement.
- The applicant requests a special use permit for an event facility. The main proposed event venue would be aimed at weddings and similar events. The event venue has over 300' of undisturbed buffer against the adjacent neighborhood which is significantly higher than the required 50' undisturbed buffer. City regulations limit the hours of operation to 8 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. Sunday through Thursday and 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m. Friday and Saturday.
- The requested rezoning to General Business (BG) would create a 75' buffer against the neighboring residential areas.
- The Emerald Lakes subdivision, to the south of parcel 7-339-121, is presently zoned R-100 (Gwinnett County) and RS100 (City of Sugar Hill). The applicant requests a buffer reduction for an existing residence, fence, and accessory building. According to the survey submitted by the applicant, the house sits approximately 55' from the property line, and the fence is approximately 26' from the property line. The applicant is not proposing additional

- encroachments into the 75' buffer, with the only improvements being those required to bring the existing structure to code for commercial use. This would include ADA requirements.
- The City of Sugar Hill owned parcel to the east of parcel 7-339-057 is presently zoned RS-150 but is presently vacant with a 'greenspace' future land use designation. An existing log cabin and gravel driveway are approximately 18' away from the property line. The applicant requests a 15' buffer for the property line at the log cabin only, with no proposed improvements outside of requirements for code compliance.
- To the west of the subject parcels is an existing substation for the Georgia Transmission Corporation which is zoned RA-200 in Gwinnett County. The applicant requests a buffer reduction to 20' from 75' to accommodate potential encroachment for stormwater management, including but not limited to a storm pipe or ditches.
- Parcel 7-339-025 is zoned R100 in Gwinnett County. This parcel is presently vacant. The applicant requests a reduction of the buffer against this parcel to 0' from 75' for an access drive off of Riverside Road, sewer connection, and potential additional stormwater detention. The proposed access drive would follow the existing old driveway with an existing connection to Riverside Road.
- The applicant has included a traffic study in their application. The study looked at the intersections of SR 20 at Publix Driveway 1/Hillside Farm Road, Suwanee Dam Road at Publix driveway 2, SR 20 at Emerald Parkway/Henry Bailey Road, Publix Internal Road at Hillside Farm Road, and Riverside Road at Hillside Farm Road. The study concluded that an improved intersection at the 'Publix Internal Road' at Hillside Farm Road should be constructed with a two-way stop-controlled intersection. No other mitigation improvements were recommended.

BACKGROUND

Applicant / Owner: Hillside Holdings, LLC / MS Buice LLC, Ronald Buice

Existing Zoning: Single-family residential (R100) and Agriculture/Residence (RA200)

in Gwinnett County.

Request: Annex and rezone to BG. Special Use Permit for an event facility.

Variance on buffers for both parcels.

Purpose: Brewpub, Event Facility, and Chapel

Property Size: ± 20.09 Acres

Location: 5871 Hillside Farm Road and 545 Riverside Road; Tax Parcels #7-

339-121 and 7-339-057

Public Notice: Public notice signs were posted on 10/31/24. Public notices were

mailed to adjoining property owners on 10/31/24. Legal advertisements were published in the Gwinnett Daily Post on 11/3/24, 11/10/24, 11/13/24, 11/20/24, 11/24/24, and 10/4/24.

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Public Comment None as of 11/13/24.

FINDINGS OF FACT

Surrounding Land Use and Zoning

Direction	Existing Land Use	Existing Zoning
North	Single family residences (Gwinnett County)	R-100
South	Emerald Lake subdivision (Gwinnett County/City of	R-100 / RS150
	Sugar Hill)	
East	Vacant City of Sugar Hill owned property	RS-150
West	Georgia Transmission Corporation substation (Gwinnett	RA-200 / BG
	County) / Sugar Hill Corner Shopping Center (City of	
	Sugar Hill)	

R100 – Single-Family Residence District (Gwinnett County); RA200 – Agriculture Residence (Gwinnett County); RS-150 – Single-Family Residential District (City of Sugar Hill); BG – General Business (City of Sugar Hill)

ZONING ANALYSIS

1. Will the rezoning requested permit a use that is suitable in view of the use and development of adjacent and nearby property?

Yes. The proposed development meets the intent and spirit of adjacent commercial uses and will complement nearby residential uses. The proposed uses on the site are smaller in scale and less intensive than the adjoining shopping center.

2. Will the rezoning requested adversely affect the existing use or usability of adjacent or nearby properties?

No. The proposed zoning does not impose any additional use restrictions or any unusual or undue hardship on adjoining or nearby properties.

3. Does the property for which the rezoning is requested have a reasonable economic use as currently zoned?

Yes.

4. Will the rezoning requested create an overcrowding condition with respect to the existing streets, transportation facilities, or schools?

No. The applicant will be utilizing existing driveways and access points within the shopping center and off of Riverside Road to provide access to the property. While the traffic will increase during event hours, it is not anticipated that it will have a significant impact on surrounding properties. The applicant has submitted a traffic study with their application with minimal recommended improvements. The school system will not be impacted by this commercial project.

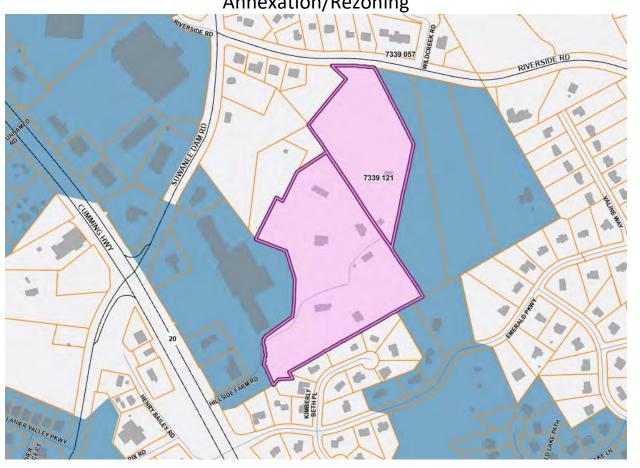
5. Does the rezoning requested conform to the Sugar Hill Land Use Plan?

Yes. The property is located at the intersection of Neighborhoods and Commercial Node lands designated by the city and Traditional Residential lands designated by the county. The requested BG zoning provides for appropriate land use commensurate with existing land uses adjacent to the property.

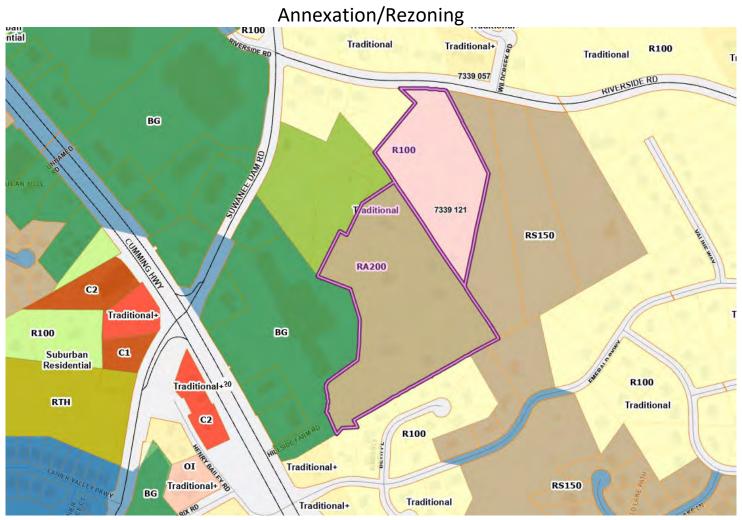
6. Are there other existing or changing conditions affecting the use and development of the property which would give support to an approval or disapproval of the rezoning request?

No.

AX-24-003 LOCATION MAP Annexation/Rezoning



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ADJACENT ZONING MAP





Master Agreement

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Phone:	Sugar Hill, GA	A 30518
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	CONTACT INFORMATION	
Name: Dave Lee	Phone:	
Fax:	Email:	
Map Reference Number(s) (Tax Parcel Identification Number or PIN #)		Acreage: 20.09
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Street Address: 5871 Hillside Farm Road & 545 Rive PRESENT ZONING DISTRICT: RA 200 & RA100(Gwinn		HETRICT. "CR" Caparal Business District
Proposed Development: MicroBrewery or BrewPub, Ev		(Annexation to Sugar Hill)
Adjacent Zonings: NORTH: RS 150 & R100 EAST: RS	150 & R100 SOUTH: BG	WEST: BG, RA200 & R100
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APPLICATION FOR ANNEXATION

IF MULTIPLE PROPERTY OWNERS FILL OUT AND SUBMIT AN APPLICATION FOR EACH APPLICANT/OWNER/ELECTOR.

SIGN APPLICABLE SECTION

100% METHOD

This Annexation Application is made pursuant to the provisions of the O	% METHOD Afficial Code of G	eorgia Annotat	ed 36.36 Article 2 "Anneyation Pursuant to
Application by one hundred percent (100%) of Landowners". Application owners, who own 100% of the property to be annexed, to have the follow or parcel of land lying and being in Land Lots(s)399 of the _71	n is hereby mad wing described l th_District(s), F	e to the City of ands annexed i Parcel Number(Sugar Hill, Georgia by the undersigned propert nto the corporate limits of the City. All that trac
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requested that a zoning classification ofGeneral Business	the annual and A	(GB) be	assigned to the property upon annexation.
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with recreation areas for pickleball courts, playground, etc.			
available).			
Owner/Applicant Name: Dave Lee	Address:	Hillside I	Holdings, LLC
Home Phone:		5879 Hil	Iside Farm Road
Work Phone:		Sugar H	ill, GA 30518
Fax: NE OA	Email:		
Signature:		Date Signed:	10/22/24
undersigned property owners and resident electors residing on the propinto the corporate limits of the City. The undersigned state that they report the resident electors residing on the property to be annexed. All that District(s), Parcel Number(s) as: (Attach or Insert Legal description) illustrating the land area to be annexed and its relationship to the existing Book Reference, if available, and the existing zoning classifications of a	oresent at least 6 tract or parcel o Gw	0% of the owner fland lying and nnett County, (clude lot numb	ers of the property by acreage and at least 60% being in Land Lots(s) of the Georgia and being more particularly described (Note: Also, attach a plat or drawing er, block number, subdivision name, and Plat
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- COPIES CAN BE MADE FOR ADDITIONAL LANDOWNER AND ELECTOR SIGNATURES, ORIGINAL SIGNATURES MUST BE SUBMITTED WITH THE APPLICATION.
- A SEPARATE SIGNTURE PAGE SHOULD BE FILED FOR EACH LANDOWNER AND EACH RESIDENT ELECTOR.

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REZONING APPLICANT'S RESPONSE

STANDARDS GOVERNING THE EXERCISE OF THE ZONING POWER

Please respond to the following standards in the space provided or use and attachment as necessary:

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es; The land is located behind existing shopping center and next to a GA Power Transmission	
of Event Center and Church are allow in RS200 zoning with SUP. The reason to rezone to BG is	s to allow for the Micobrew
Brewpub. The Brewery and Event Center require a Special Use permit also.	
B. Whether the proposed Rezoning or Special Use Permit will adversely affect the existing adjacent or nearby property:	g use or usability of
No; as mentioned, a church and event center are allow in RS200 zoning with SUP. The will be located away from the residential property and does not impose any undue hards	
C. Whether the property to be affected by a proposed Rezoning or Special Use Permit has currently zoned:	s reasonable economic use
Yes; however with it backing up to shopping center and GA Power substation and with to and rock out cropping, a single family neighborhood would mostly clear the land to maxis proposed development is trying to use the natural land for this development and minimize	mize the lots. The
D. Whether the proposed Rezoning or Special Use Permit will result in a use which will or or burdensome use of existing streets, transportation facilities, utilities, or schools:	could cause an excessive
No. The proposed uses will not have an adverse affect on the existing infrastructure.	
E. Whether the proposed Rezoning or Special Use Permit is in conformity with the policy Use Plan:	and interest of the Land
Yes we believe so. Currently front is commercial and as mentioned above, the propose current zoning with SUP. The BG zoning provides for appropriate land use. We feel the development uses conform with City land use plan.	
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VERIFICATION OF CURRENT PAID PROPERTY TAXES FOR APPLICATION

The undersigned below is authorized to make this application. The undersigned certifies that all City Taxes/Property taxes, billed to date for the parcel listed below have been paid in full to the Tax Commissioner of Gwinnett County, Georgia. In no case shall an application or reapplication for rezoning, special use permit, and/or change in conditions be processed without such property verification. A copy of the paid tax bill can also be provided.

*NOTE: A separate verification for must be completed for each tax parcel included in the Variance request.

Tax Parcel Number:	7339-121 & 73	39-057,		
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SIGNATURE OF APPLI	CANT	DATE	TYPE OR PRINT NAME	

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PUBLIC HEARING CHECKLIST

The following is a checklist of information required for submission of an application. The Planning and Development Department reserves the right not to accept any uncompleted applications.

Application completed with all information in	needed attached rezoning fees paid.	
Other information required to be submitted with	n the application:	
3 Copies of the site Plan to scale	81/2" X 11" Reduced Copy w/topo (1)	81/2" X 11" Reduced Copy without topo (1) Above emailed to klanders@cityofsugarhill.com
11" X 17" with topo (1)	<u>×</u> 11" X 17" without topo (1)	Survey Included Recorded Plat Electronic File
Legal Description – WORD FORMAT Above emailed to klanders@cityofsugarhil	Letter of Intent (Including Variances) I.com	 Adjoining Property Owners Email Labels AVERY 5160 format to klanders@cityofsugarhill.com
Applicant/Owner Certification	Conflict of Interest/Campaign Contributions	Applicants Response
Availability of Water/Sewer Letter	Property Tax Paid Verification	Traffic Study
N/A Development of Regional Impact (DRI)	M/A within 2,000' of the Chattahoochee-River	Site Plan with all items below
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MAKE SURE THIS	CHECKLIST IS RETURNED WITH THE RE	ZONING APPLICATION.

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October 20, 2024

City of Sugar Hill Attn: Claire Weatherly 5039 West Broad Street Sugar Hill, GA 30518

RE: Letter of Intent Hillside at Sugar Hill

Dear Ms. Weatherly:

Hillside Holdings, LLC is proposing to annex and rezone approximately 20.09 acres into the City of Sugar Hill, GA using the 100% Method. These are parcels 7-339-121 and 7-339-057. Note, parcel 7-339-294 which is 4.42 acres will be part of the property but will remain in Gwinnett County and keep its current zoning of RA200. The proposed development will consist of an Event Center, Chapel and Brewpub or future Microbrewery which would require a separate SUP. The site is currently zoned RA200 and RA100 but must be rezoned to "BG" General Business District to allow for the Microbrewery/Brewpub. Note, we are only pursuing Brewpub at this time. If a microbrewery is considered in the future, we realize that a separate SUP would be required. The development intends to keep the natural layout of the land as much as possible and place proposed buildings and parking to minimize land impact. Some of the existing homes will be retained and repurposed to accommodate these plans. The proposed building heights will be limited to the zoning ordinance of 45 feet. The proposed parking will meet the minimum code required parking. The proposed development may include support resources such as pickleball courts and other recreational areas.

Rezoning to "BG" General Business District will create a 75' wide undisturbed buffer against the Emerald Lake Subdivision and City of Sugar Hill property adjacent to the site. The current property has existing encroachments which will require a variance. In addition, the Georgia Transmission Substation is zoned RA200 which will create a 75' undisturbed buffer.

The first request is along the Emerald Lake Subdivision. We will be maintaining the 75' undisturbed buffer along this property line except for the current house and fence encroachment that currently exists per the attached site plan. The variance request is to allow the existing house, accessory building and fence to remain as is. The house is about 55' from the property line and fence is about 26' from property line based on field survey. No additional improvements are proposed within the limits of this undisturbed buffer created by the rezoning.

The second request is along the City of Sugar Hill property. This area contains an existing log cabin and an asphalt and gravel driveway that are within approximately 18' of the property line. The variance request is to reduce the buffer to 15' along this portion of the property line so that we can maintain use of the gravel driveway and cabin. See site plan for limits. The 75' undisturbed buffer will be maintained past the log cabin.

The third request is along the George Transmission substation. Depending on final design of the storm and other design elements, we may have to impact the buffer in areas. We are requesting that the buffer be reduced to 20' to allow for design flexibility. We are also requesting the variance to allow for storm pipe and other storm features such as ditches encroach into the buffer as required to get to the offsite pond.

The last request is for access driveway from Riverside Road. Since this property is being rezoned to "BG" General commercial it creates a 75' buffer along the existing residential tract. If this property remained residential or commercial, the access drive is still needed and will follow the old gravel road. A buffer variance will vary in width from 75' down to 0' depending on final design. The request is to allow encroachment into buffer as required to build access drive, tie into existing sewer line and provide detention. The final plan will be submitted to City planning department for final review and approval.

Keep in mind the buffers being requested are because of the rezoning to allow the use. Our building and parking areas are not the reason for the buffer variance request but because of existing conditions and to provide access. If the site that would stay residential, it would not require any buffers and thus could be clear up to the property line. Our intent is to minimize impact to provide access to the site and for existing conditions.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely, FORESITE GROUP, LLC

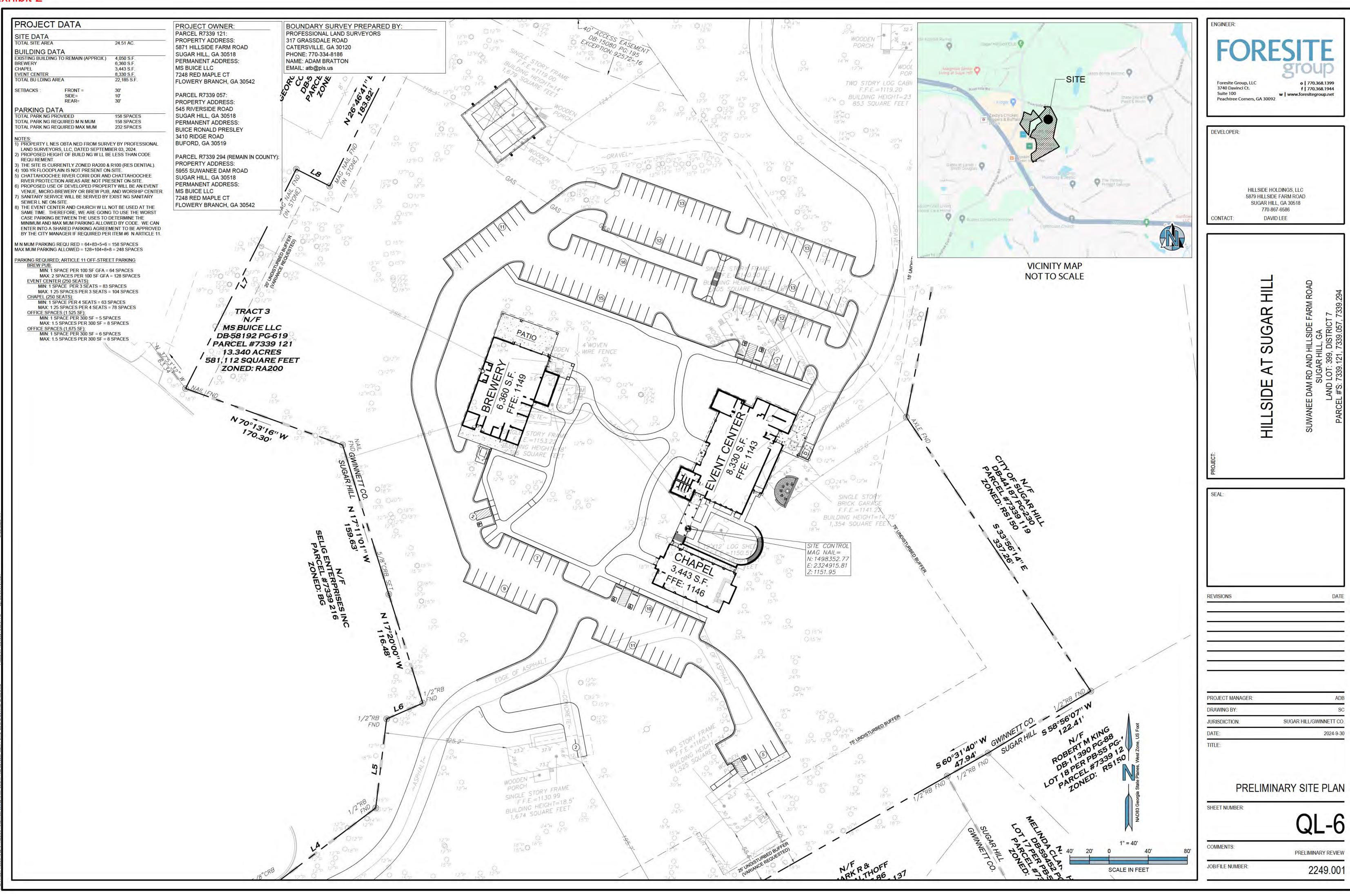
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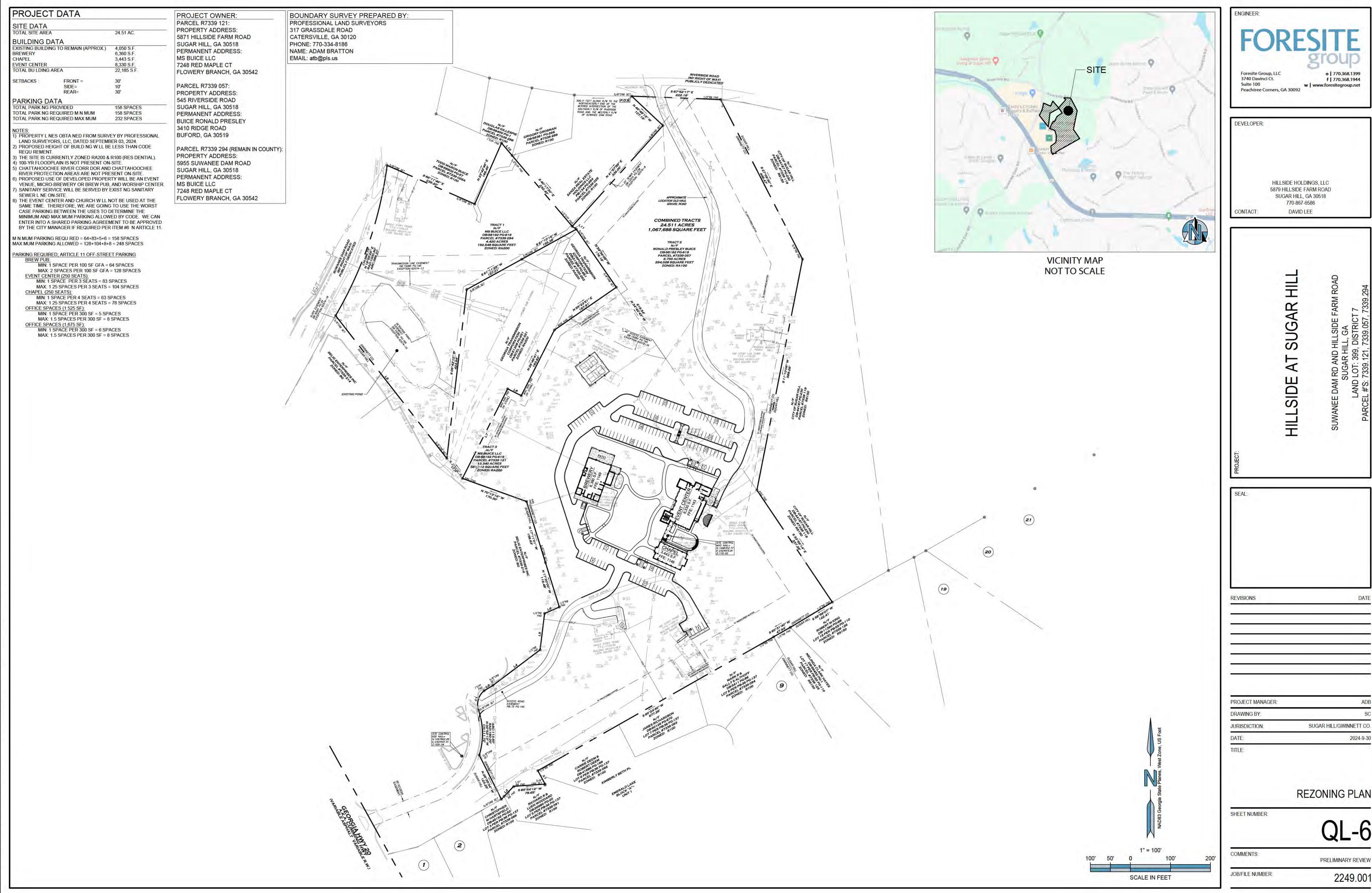


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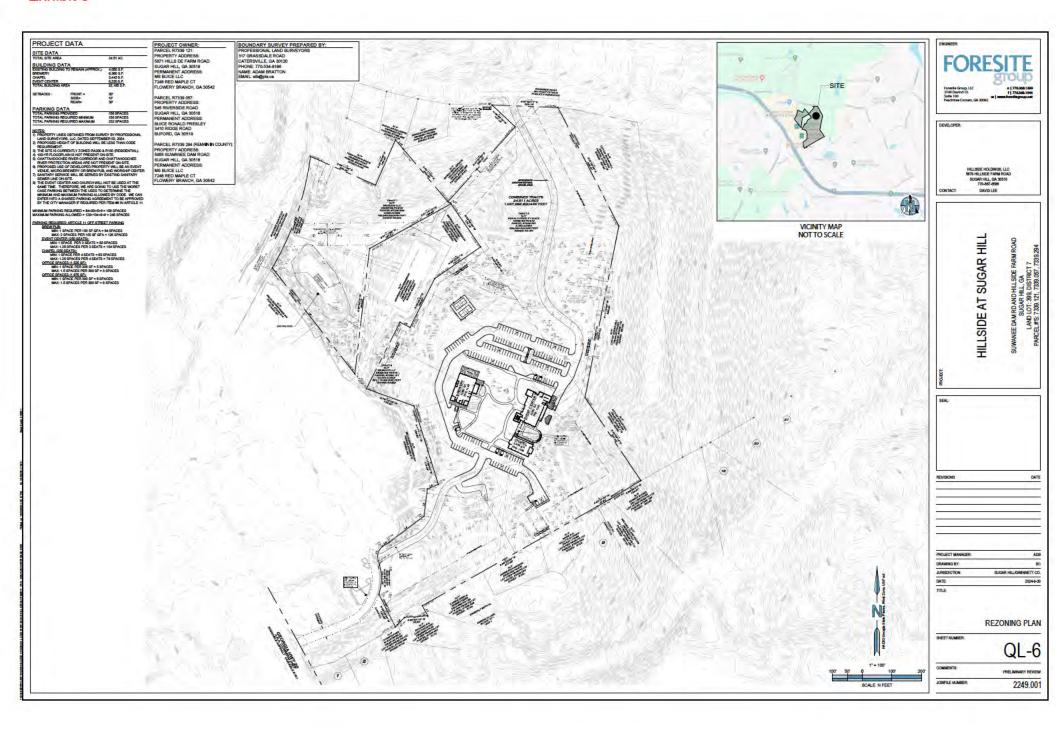


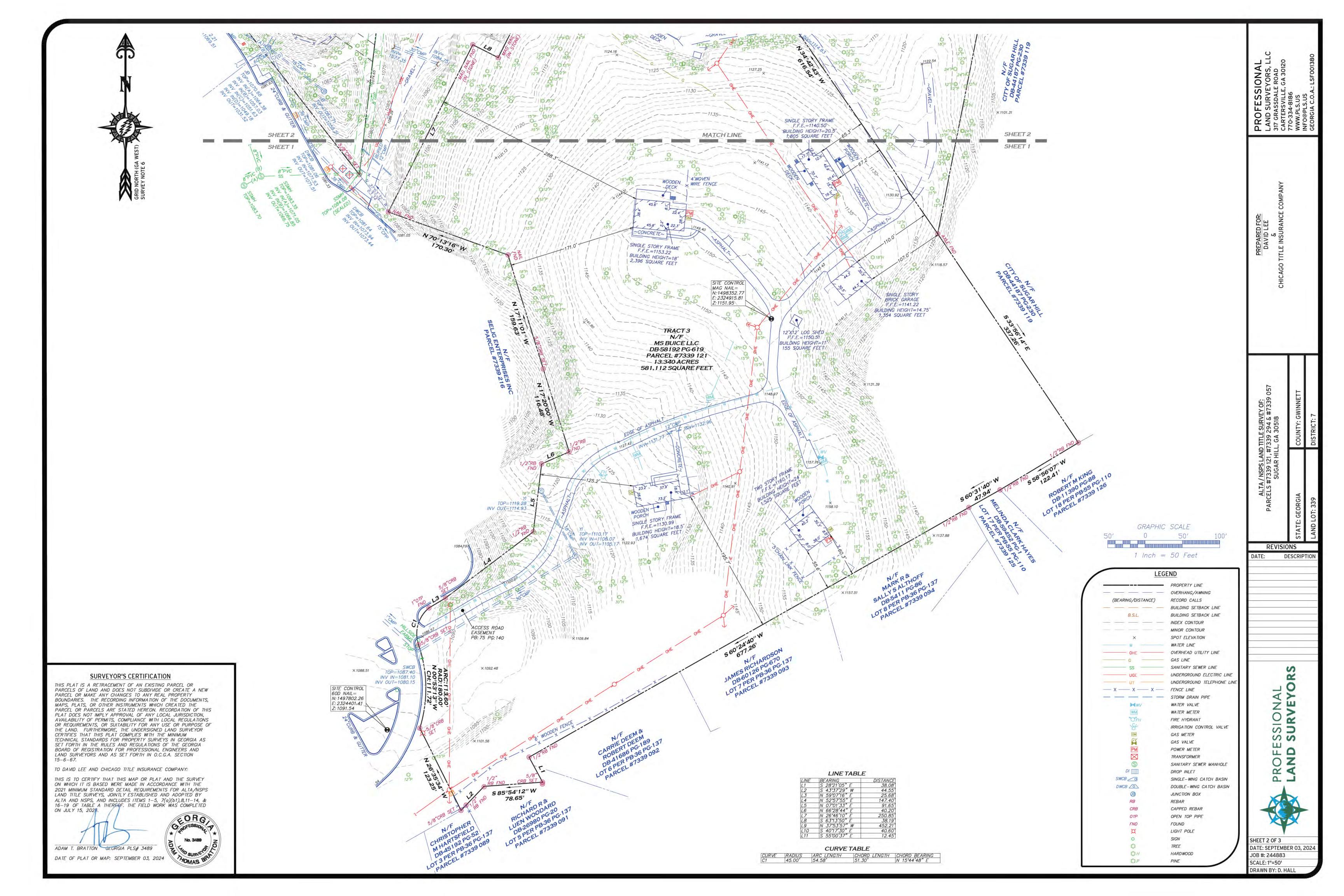
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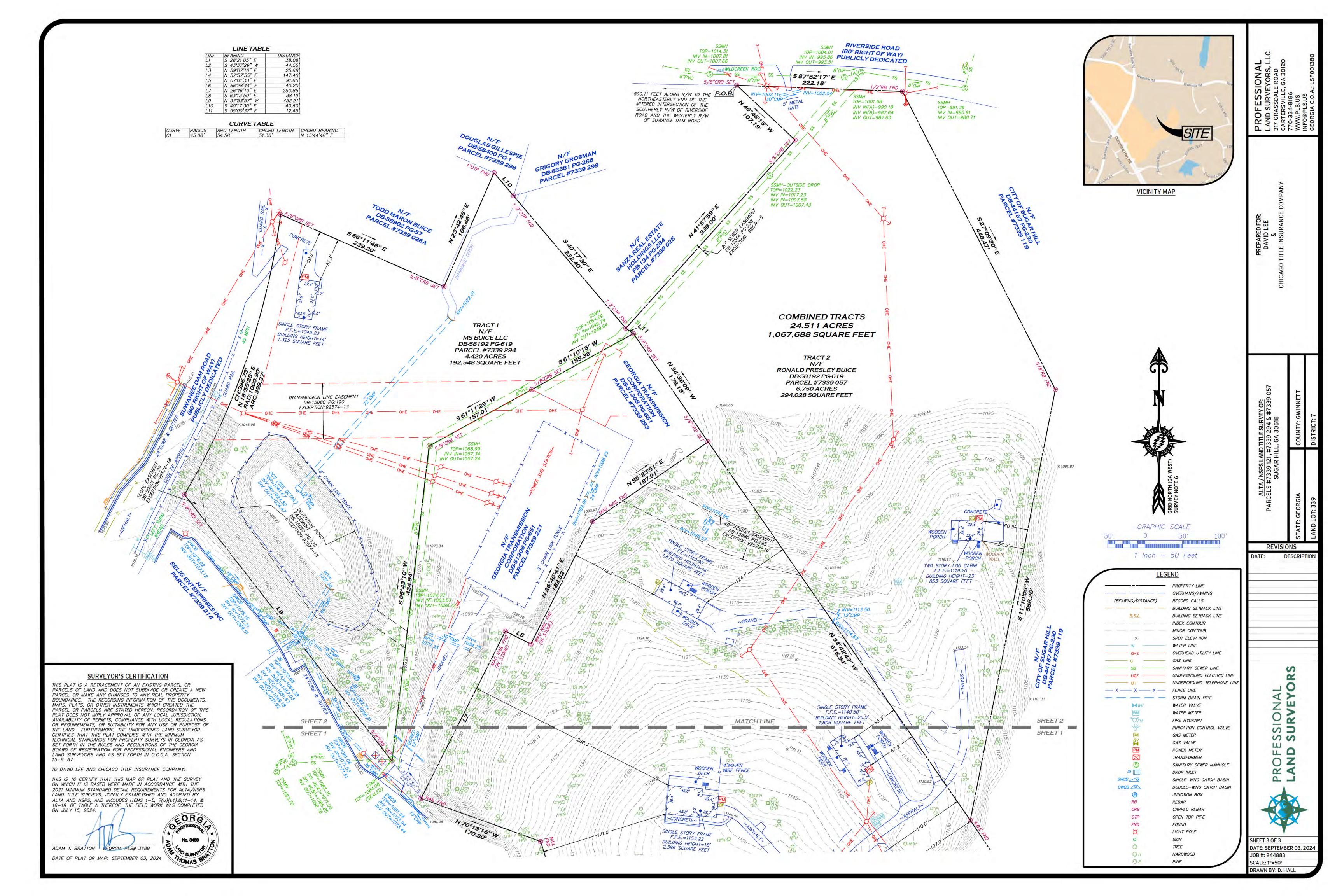
REZONING PLAN

PRELIMINARY REVIEW

Exhibit 5







6. Conclusions and Recommendations

This report contains the results from a traffic impact analysis performed for a proposed mixed-use development in the City of Sugar Hill, Georgia. Due to the nature of the proposed development, construction will be completed in a single phase. Buildout will take place over approximately two years. The development plans for the site include a 2,330-SF chapel, 9,240-SF event center building and a 6,600-SF brewery. The land uses on the property are intended to work in partnership to host special events. The chapel and the event center building are planned to be approximately 250-person maximum occupancy. The property currently connects with the Publix shopping center internally via Hillside Farm Road and shares access to Cumming Hwy/SR 20 and Suwanee Dam Road via the shopping center's driveways. The development will also plan to have additional access to the north via Riverside Road.

The conclusions and recommendations for the impacts to the surrounding transportation network are described below:

General Comments

- These land uses are intended to work in partnership to host special events.
- This site will generate very little daily trips that would impact typical AM and PM peak hour traffic in the area.
- The event peaks would expect to take place typically on Friday evenings or on the weekends.

SR 20/Cumming Hwy at Publix Driveway 1

- The WB stop-controlled side-street approach continues to operate at LOS C during the AM, PM and Friday evening peak periods in the build conditions.
- There are no mitigation improvements to this intersection recommended as part of this project.

Suwanee Dam Road at Publix Driveway 2

- The side-street stop-controlled approaches continue to operate at LOS B in the AM peak period in the build conditions.
- The WB approach from Publix operates at LOS F in the PM peak period and degrades to LOS F in the Friday Evening peak period, in the build conditions.
- There are no mitigation improvements to this intersection recommended as part of this project.



SR 20/Cumming Hwy at Emerald Pkwy/Henry Bailey Road

- The side-street stop-controlled from the WB Emerald Pkwy approach continues to operate at LOS F in the AM, PM and Friday Evening peak periods in the build conditions.
- The EB approach from Henry Bailey Rd continues to operate at LOS F in the Friday Evening peak period.
- There are no mitigation improvements to this intersection recommended as part of this project.

Publix Internal Road at Hillside Farm Road

- The approaches at this intersection operate at LOS A during all peak periods in the build conditions.
- This intersection should have stop signs and stop bars for the Hillside Farm Road approach and the parking aisle approach. The main Publix internal road should be allowed to be uncontrolled, making this a two-way stop-controlled intersection. This will make the intersection operation clearer to drivers at this location.

Riverside Road at Hillside Farm Road

- The northbound side-street stop-controlled approach operates at LOS B in both the PM peak and Friday/Event peak period in the build conditions.
- Turn lanes are not warranted on this local road dure to lower speeds (posted 35 mph) and relatively low ADT volumes (4,834 vpd).
- Drivers will often seek the path of least resistance (least traffic volumes and delays), so
 it's likely that this new access connection being provided on Riverside Road will become
 the main entrance entering and exiting this facility
- This access being provided on Riverside Road will help to alleviate the traffic impacts demonstrated at the other intersections in this analysis.

