

Meeting Date: May 5, 2021

**Request:** A variation from Articles 3-200 and 4-600 to allow an

accessory structure to be 18 feet in height and greater than one-story, a variation of three feet and to allow three dormers that are more than 40% of the width of one

elevation.

**Location:** 140 W. Crystal Lake Ave

**Existing Zoning:** R-2 – Single-Family Residential

**Surrounding Properties:** North: R-3A – Two-Family Residential

South: R-3A – Two-Family Residential East: R-3A – Two-Family Residential West: R-3A – Two-Family Residential

**Staff Contact**: Katie Cowlin (815.356.3798)

## **Background:**

• Existing Use: The subject property is a single-family home.

• <u>UDO Requirements</u>: A detached accessory structure can be 15 feet in height and one-story and dormers are to be less than 40% of the width of an elevation.

# **Development Analysis:**

# General:

- Request: The petitioner is requesting a variation to allow an accessory structure (detached garage) to be 18 feet in height and greater than one-story, a variation of three feet and to allow three dormers that are more than 40% of the width of one elevation.
- <u>Land Use</u>: The Comprehensive Land Use map shows the area as Urban Residential which is an appropriate land use designation.
- Zoning: The site is zoned Two-Family Residential and single-family residential is permitted in the zoning district.

# **Request Overview:**

- The petitioner is requesting a variation from the accessory structure height allowance. The petitioner submitted pictures of detached garages in the neighborhood to demonstrate the request would be compatible with the surrounding area.
- The UDO limits the width of dormers on accessory structures to deter the creation of half and second stories. The petitioner is proposing three dormers which will total 41% of the width of the elevation. The UDO allows for a 40% width.
- The architecture and siding of the garage will match the principal structure, which is a former farmhouse.
- The proposed detached garage is 900 square feet and must meet principal structure setbacks. The proposed location of the garage meets the principal structure setbacks.



# Comprehensive Land Use Plan 2030 Vision Summary Review:

The Comprehensive Plan designates the subject property as Urban Residential, which allows for existing and future single-family residential uses. The following goal is applicable to this request:

# Land Use - Residential

Goal: Encourage a diversity of high quality housing in appropriate locations throughout the city that supports a variety of lifestyles and invigorates community character.

This can be accomplished with the following supporting action:

**Supporting Action:** Preserve and enhance the character and livability of existing residential area with architectural and development guidelines. Promote safe, clean and well-maintained housing by encouraging regular repair and maintenance of housing.

# **Findings of Fact:**

### **ZONING ORDINANCE VARIATION**

The petitioner is requesting a variation from Articles 3-200 and 4-600 to allow an accessory structure to be 18 feet in height and greater than one-story, a variation of three feet and to allow three dormers that are more than 40% of the width of one elevation.

The Unified Development Ordinance lists specific standards for the review and approval of a variation. The granting of a variation rests upon the applicant proving practical difficulty or hardship caused by the Ordinance requirements as they relate to the property.

To be considered a zoning hardship, the specific zoning requirements; setbacks, lot width and lot area must create a unique situation on this property. It is the responsibility of the petitioner to prove hardship at the Planning and Zoning Commission public hearing.

#### Standards

When evidence in a specific case shows conclusively that literal enforcement of any provision of this Ordinance would result in a practical difficulty or particular hardship because:

a.	The plight of the property owner is due to unique circumstances, such as, unusual surroundings or conditions of the property involved, or by reason of exceptional narrowness, shallowness or shape of a zoning lot, or because of unique topography, or underground conditions.
	☐ Meets ☐ Does not meet
b.	Also, that the variation, if granted, will not alter the essential character of the locality.
	☐ Meets ☐ Does not meet
consider	purposes of supplementing the above standards, the Commission may take into ation the extent to which the following facts favorable to the application have been sed by the evidence presented at the public hearing:
a.	That the conditions upon which the application for variation is based would not be applicable generally to other property within the same zoning classification;
	☐ Meets ☐ Does not meet
b.	That the alleged difficulty or hardship has not been created by any person presently having interest in the property;  \[ \begin{align*} \textit{Meets} & \textit{Does not meet} \end{align*} \]
c.	That the granting of the variation will not be detrimental to the public welfare or

injurious to other property or improvements in the neighborhood in which the property

	is located; or	
	☐ Meets	Does not meet
d.	adjacent property, adjacent property,	variation will not impair an adequate supply of light or air to will not unreasonably diminish or impair the property values of will not unreasonably increase congestion in the public streets, se the danger of fire or otherwise endanger public safety.
	Meets	Does not meet

Where the evidence is not found to justify such conditions, that fact shall be reported to the City Council with a recommendation that the variation be denied.

# **Recommended Conditions:**

If a motion to recommend approval of the petitioner's request is made, the following conditions are recommended:

- 1. Approved plans, reflecting staff and advisory board recommendations, as approved by the City Council:
  - A. Application (Currier, received 04/01/2021)
  - B. Plan Set (RB Custom Designs, dated 9/8/2020, received 4/1/2021)
- 2. The five-foot wide dormers are approved as proposed.
- 3. The 18-foot height is approved and considered one and a half stories for reference.
- 4. The petitioner shall address all of the review comments and requirements of the Community Development Department.

PIQ Map – 140 W. Crystal Lake Ave – Variation



PLN-2021-00046

# **Application for Simplified Residential Variation**

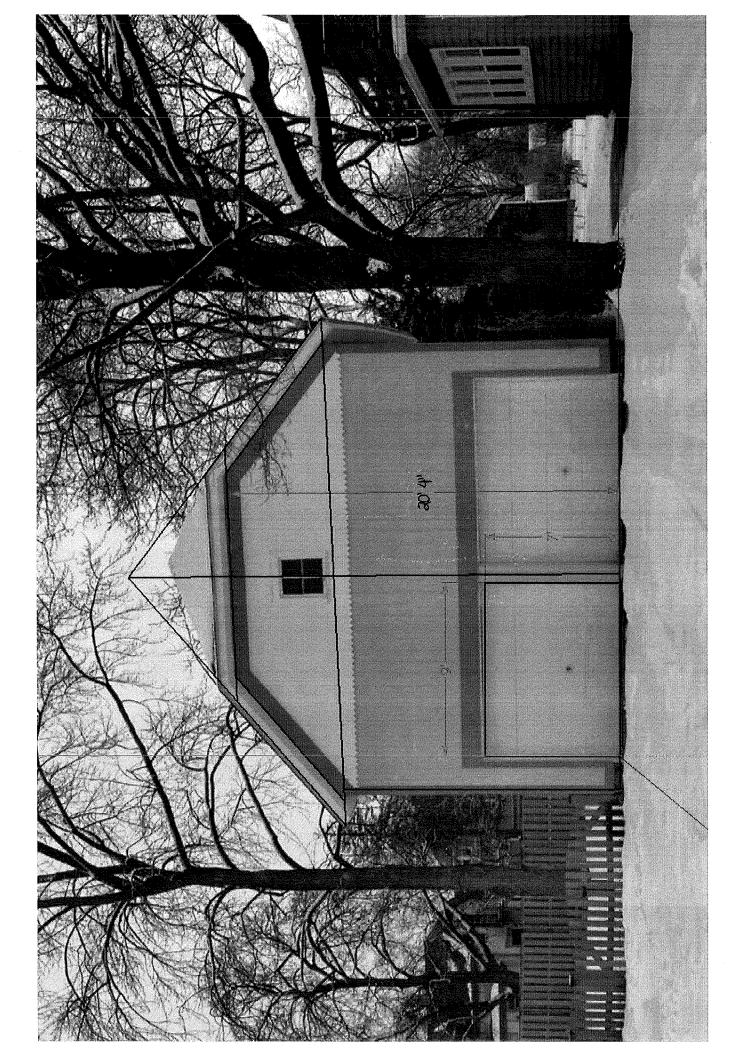
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II.	Owner of Property (if different)
Name	
Addre	Project Data
1.	a. Location/Address: 140 W Crystal Lake Ave, Crystal Lake, IL 60014
	b. PIN#: 14-32-380-021
2.	Description of proposal/Reason for request (including how the standards for variation are met, any unique circumstance of the property, or particular hardship):  DESCRIBE THE UNIQUE CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE PROPERTY:
	Existing house is set back considerably from front lot line, with no potential to build a larger detached garage along a 7 foot ade yard selback due to layout as purchased. Lot is of sufficient size to place 900sqit detached garage.
	Rear selback requirements put detached garage directly in middle of the property, alypical of a vast majority of the detached garages in the Downtown Crystal Lake Area. As detached garage will be located directly in middle of yard,
	and have eignificant visibility to W Crystal Leke Ave due to frontage of lot it would be advantageous to neighbors and owner to have a building that fits in with the neighborhood with associated architectural features (dormers and height).
	Additionally, owner has a trailer they would rather keep inside (additional driver for height variation) as there is no "rear" yard to place them in per the current ordinance. Accordingly, a variance to height and dormer requirements is sought.
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	IS THE HARDSHIP SELF-CREATED?  No. House location and lot size/orientation was pre-existing.
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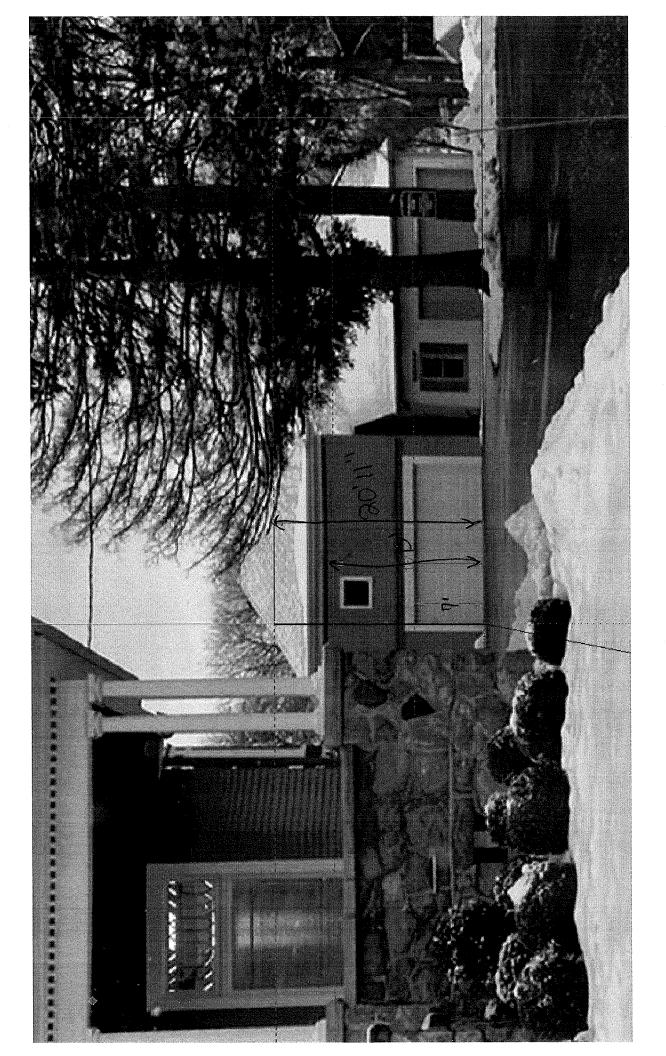
	ARE THE CONDITIONS APPLICABLE TO OTHER PROPERTIES IN THE SAME ZONING
	CLASSIFICATION?
	No. The property at 140 W Crystal Lake Ave. is unique in it's frontage to the road and house setback.
	The current situation was partially created by the prior sale of land to create the Dole Crossing Neighborhood.
	There are few to no properties within 1/4-1/2 mile of 140 W Crystal Lake Avenue that have similar conditions.
	WILL THE VARIATION ALTER THE ESSENTIAL CHARACTER OF THE LOCALITY?
	No.
	WILL THE VARIATION, IF GRANTED BE DETRIMENTAL TO PUBLIC WELFARE OR
	INJURIOUS TO OTHER PROPERTY?
	No.
	WILL THE VARIATION AS PROPOSED IMPAIR ADEQUATE SUPPLY OF LIGHT OR AIR TO
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	PUBLIC STREETS; SUSBTANTIALLY INCREASE THE DANGER OF FIRE; OT ENDANGER
	PUBLIC SAFETY? No.
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,	List any previous variations that are approved for this property: None
•	Elections provided variations that are approved for this property.
V.	Signatures
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s ov	vner of the property in question, I hereby authorize the seeking of the above requested action.
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NOTE: If the property is held in trust, the trust officer must sign this petition as owner. In addition, the trust officer must provide a letter that names all beneficiaries of the trust.



Character of Neighberhood





claims not filed within three months from the date of mailing or delivery of Notice to Creditor, whichever is later, shall be barred.

PUBLIC NOTICES

Claims may be filed In the office of the Clerk of Circuit Court at the McHenry County Government Center, North seminary Avenue, Woodstock, Illinois. 60098, or with the representative, or both.

Copies of claims filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered to the representative and to his attorney within ten days after it has been filed.

> Katherine M Keefe Clerk of the Circuit Court

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#### PUBLIC NOTICE LEGAL NOTICE

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE INVITATION TO BID

City of Crystal The be accepting will sealed bids in accordance with specifications for 2021-Contracted Police Directed Towing Services. of Crystal Lake The City Procurement Services, its service provider BidSync, only authorized are the sources of bidding information. Bidding instructions are

available on the City's website at www.crystallake.org. All bids must be submitted by 3:00 p.m. on May 28, 2021. Bids will be opened at 10:00 a.m. on June 1, 2021. **Dates** 

Apr 20, 2021 Bid Number: 2104-001

Bid Title: 2021-2023

Contracted Police Directed Towing Services Bidding Starts: Apr 15,

2021 12:28:56 PM CDT Bidding Ends: May 28, 2021 3:00:00 PM CDT

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PUBLIC NOTICE

BEFORE THE PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF CRYSTAL LAKE, MCHENRY COUNTY,

ILLINOIS IN THE MATTER OF THE

APPLICATION OF Scott Currier

**LEGAL NOTICE** 

Development (UDO) of the City of Crystal

Lake, Illinois, that a public hearing will be held before the Planning and Zoning Commission application of Scott Currier, seeking variations for a detached garage located at 140 W. Crystal Lake

PUBLIC NOTICES

Notice is hereby given in

Ordinance

upon the

compliance with the Unified

Avenue, Crystal Lake, Illinois, PIN 14-32-380-021. This application is filed for

the purpose of seeking variation to allow an accessory structure to be 18 feet in height and greater than one-story, a variation of

3 feet and to allow three dormers that are more than 40% of the width of one elevation pursuant to Article 3-200 Dimensional Standards, Article 4-600 Accessory Structures and Uses and Article 9-200(C) Variations,

well as any other as variations as necessary to complete the project as proposed. Plans for this project can be viewed at the Crystal Lake Community Development Department at

City Hall. A public hearing before the Planning and Zoning Commission for this request will be held at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, May 5, 2021, at the Crystal Lake City Hall, 100 West Woodstock Street,

person determining to be heard may be present Jeff Greenman, Chairperson Planning and Zoning City of Crystal Lake

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April 20, 2021) **ASSUMED NAME** 

at which time and place any

Commission

Northwest

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# PUBLIC NOTICE

ASSUMED NAME **PUBLICATION NOTICE** 

Public Notice is hereby given that on APRIL 8, 2021 a certificate was filed in the Office of the County Clerk of McHenry County, IL

known as CORNWALL

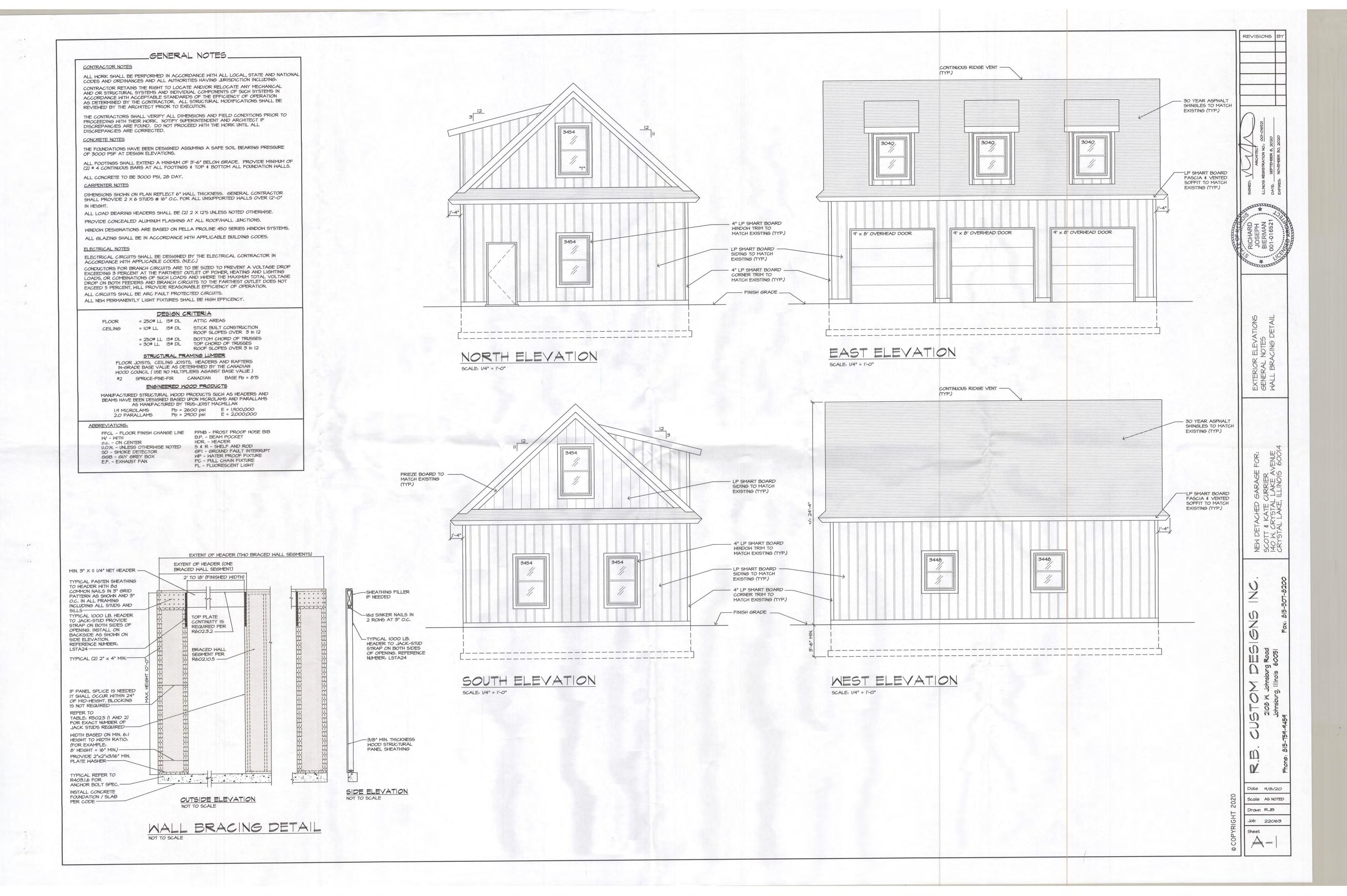
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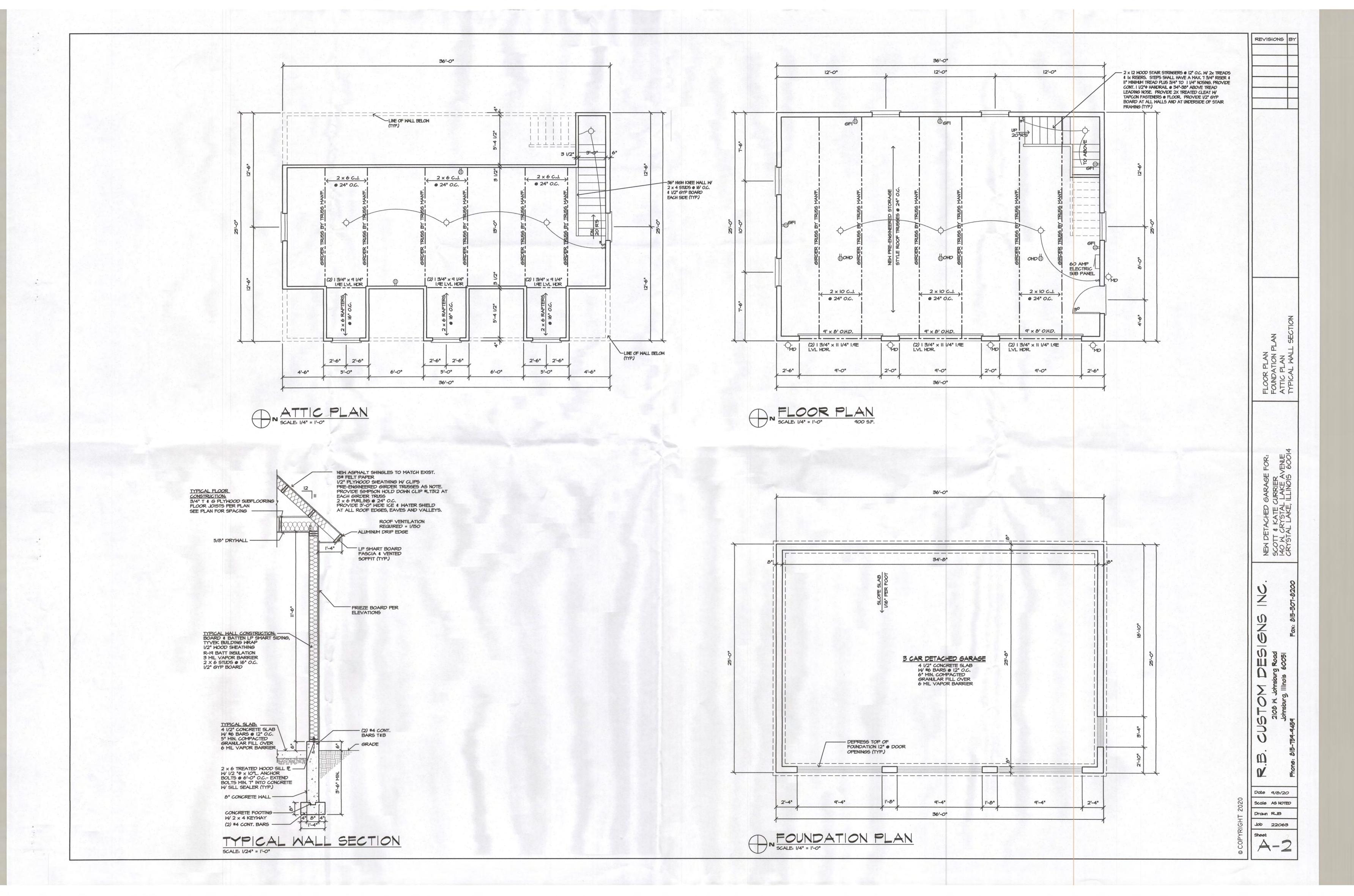
MUSIC SERVICES located at 1819 SUNSET AVENUE.

the

MCHENRY, IL 60050

Owner Name & Address:





SCALE: 1" = 20'

# PLAT OF SURVEY

LOTS 25, 26, AND 27 IN DOLE CROSSING, BEING A SUBDIVISION OF PART OF THE SOUTHEAST 14 OF THE SOUTHWEST 14 AND ALSO A PART OF THE SOUTHWEST 14 OF THE SOUTHEAST % OF SECTION 32, TOWNSHIP 44 NORTH, RANGE 8 EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED FEBRUARY 28, 2000 AS DOCUMENT NUMBER 2000R0010119, AND CERTIFICATE OF CORRECTION RECORDED JUNE 16. 2000 AS DOCUMENT NUMBER 2000R0032642, IN MCHENRY COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

COMMONLY KNOWN AS: 140 W. CRYSTAL LAKE AVE., CRYSTAL LAKE, ILLINOIS. PERMANENT INDEX NOs: 14-32-380-017-0000

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14-32-380-019-0000 LOT 14

FD. IRON PIPE LOT CORNER.

LOT 13

**LEGEND** 

= BIT. PAVT = CONC. PAVT - WOODCHIP PARKING AREA = STORM SEWER INLET = UTILITY PEDESTAL = UTILITY POLE = OVERHEAD UTILITY LINES

= NEIGHBOR'S WD. FENCE

LOT 15 LOT 16 GAR. 7.43' S. S. FACE NEIGHBOR'S FENCE FFD. IRON PIPE & LOT CORNER CORNER POST 0.2' N. NEIGHBOR'S WD. PRIVACY FENCE-65.28 S 89'45'00" F 65.00 N 84\*58'34" 67.88 5' PUBLIC UTILITY ESMT .-GAR. 5.52' S. FD. IRON ROD . LOT CORNER-25.74 NEIGHBOR'S DRIVE 1.0' W. SEASON 20' BUILDING SETBACK LINE-BUILDING LINE TILITY OUTLOT "A" NEIGHBOR'S WOODCHIPS 13.2' E S00.15'( DRIVE (DETENTION) MUNICIPAL NEIGHBOR'S WOODCHIP PARKING AREA 2 STORY PR. RES O BLT LOT 26 ō TO1 27 20, LOT 25 26.53 LOT 24 0 EXISTING GRADE CONC. STOOP! DRIVE TO REMAIN H -30'1 BUILDING LINE CURB 47.2 FD. IRON PIPE 1,44' E. & FD. IRON PIPE LOT CORNER-0.07' N. OF LOT CORNER - 20' MUNICIPAL UTILITY ESMT. 65.00' 65.00 5.00 N89'45'00"W 195.00 PUBLIC WALK -CONC. CURB & GUTTER CRYSTAL LAKE **AVENUE** 

PROJECT NO .: 16-189

ACCURATE SURVEY SERVICE, INC. 28 W. 123 INDUSTRIAL AVE. BARRINGTON, IL 60010 PHONE: (847) 381-8735



STATE OF ILLINOIS)
COUNTY OF LAKE) SS

I, WILLIAM C. DOLAND II. DO HEREBY CERTIFY THAT I HAVE SURVEYED THE ABOVE DESCRIBED PROPERTY AND SHAT THE PLAT HEREON DRAWN IS A CORRECT REPRESENTATION OF SAID SURVEY. THIS PROFESSIONAL SERVICE CONFORMS TO SHE CURRENT ILLINOIS MINIMUM STANDARDS FOR A BOUNDARY SURVEY. DATED AT BARRINGTON, ILLINOIS THIS 26th DAY OF MAY, 2018.

ILL. L.S. # 35-2732