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# JOHNSON COUNTY, IOWA

APPLICATION FOR: SUBDIVISION PLAT APPROVAL



Application is hereby made for approval o subdivision plat on property located at (s	fa: Preliminary Final Combined treet address if available or layman's description):		
1621 Utah Ave. NE			
Parcel Number(s): 0121126002 0121101	003		
Proposed Subdivision Name: Olson Place			
The subdivision contains 3.23	total acres divided into $2$ total lots as follows:		
Buildable Lots: 1	Non-buildable outlots: _1		
Total buildable acres: 1.84	Total non-buildable acres: 1.36		
Current Zoning: A Prop	osed Use of the Subdivision: Residential		
Scott Ritter			
Name of Engineer/Surveyor	Contact Email and Phone		
Jame McCarragher			
Name of Attorney	Contact Email and Phone		
affirms that the owner(s) of the property	ion provided herein is true and correct. If applicant is not the owner, applicant described on this application consent to this application being submitted, and r the office of Johnson County Planning, Development, and Sustainability to eject property.		
Audrey M. Bartlett Estate	Mitch Olson		
Name of Owner	Name of Applicant (if different)		
1621 Utah Ave. NE Solon, IA. 52333			
Applicant Street Address (including City, St	ate, Zip)		
Applicant Phone	Applicant Email		
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Applicant Signature			

See back page for Application Submittal Requirements and Checklist

<u>Applications should be emailed to planning@johnsoncountyiowa.gov and delivered to the Planning, Development and Sustainability Office (913 South Dubuque Street, Iowa City, IA 52240)</u>

The following items must be submitted for the application to be complete. Incomplete applications will be returned and will not be considered until the next submission deadline. Once submitted, county staff will review the materials and request revisions (if necessary). Once all revisions and outside reviews have been received, the application will be placed on the next available Planning and Zoning Commission or Board of Supervisors agenda, as applicable.

If working with an engineer who can provide CAD or GIS line work, electronic submissions should be accordance with the department's electronic submission guidelines (see below). Preference is that electronic submission is provided prior to hard copy submission, but will be accepted until 12:00 p.m. the day after the submittal deadline.

<u>Initial each empty box below</u> to ensure you included all necessary information in the appropriate form for an application

to be considered complete. Some items may require both electronic and physical copies.

Items Required	Electronic Copy (PDF unless otherwise noted)	Hard Copies (number specified)
Application Fee (varies based on application. Fee: \$_560)		(1)
This application form with all information completed	USK	(3)
Brief cover letter explaining the application and describing lots, road(s), provision of water, septic, etc.	ISR	(2)
The subdivision plat conforming to all standards in subsection 8:2 of the UDO (optional: additional sheets such as a Right-of-Way Acquisition Plat)	JSR	(2)
CAD line work of the plat, following the guidelines below	JSR	1 SIL
Sensitive Areas Analysis in compliance with the Sensitive Areas Ordinance, or an <u>approved</u> waiver	JSR	
CAD line work of the Sensitive Areas Exhibit, following the guidelines below	JSR	
Stormwater Management Plan (including soil erosion and sediment control) in compliance with the Stormwater Management regulations, or an approved waiver	144	AT I
Proof of application to Johnson County Public Health for a Public Health Zoning Application	JSK	
For subdivisions that propose to create a new access or upgrade an existing access to a public county road: copy of an approved ROW Permit (Access Permit) from Johnson County Secondary Roads	N/A	
<u>For Farmstead Splits</u> : a list of parcel numbers of the parent farm and the book and page(s) recorded prior to December 1, 2000	N/A	
For Final Plats: As-Built drawings for installed infrastructure, including statement/certification from the engineer affirming that the as-built infrastructure conforms to the intent and design of the prelim plat	4/4	
CAD line work of stormwater infrastructure, following the guidelines below	NIM	
For Combined and Final Plats: Unsigned, draft legal documents are due at the time of sub noted below. Additional documents may be required based on the nature of the		erwise
<ol> <li>SIGNED Auditor's Certificate approving the subdivision name</li> <li>SIGNED and notarized Resolution Affirming the Stability of the Road System</li> </ol>	JSN	(1)
<ol> <li>draft Owner's Certificate</li> <li>draft Title Opinion</li> <li>draft Treasurer's Certificate</li> <li>draft Subdivider's Agreement</li> <li>draft Fence Agreement</li> <li>Others as applicable (easement agreements, Homeowners Association docs, etc.)</li> </ol>	JM	

#### Electronic Submission Requirements for CAD line work:

- Must be in AutoCAD 2017 or older and .dwg format (.dxf is also acceptable, no .zip files will be accepted).
- Submissions must use Coordinate System: NAD\_1983\_StatePlane\_lowa\_South\_FIPS\_1402\_Feet
- If applicable, submission <u>should</u> include information for Sensitive Areas Analysis/Mapping and Stormwater/Soil Erosion Control infrastructure on the site. This includes any limits of disturbance or other impact areas.
- Submission should NOT include legends, legal descriptions, location maps, signature blocks, etc.





1 October 2024

Mr. Josh Busard Johnson County Zoning Director

Re: Olson Place, for Mitch Olson, on behalf of the Audrey M. Bartlett Estate, a Residential Parcel Split

Dear Josh:

Attached please find the application and accompanying documents for a Residential Parcel Split application for Mitch Olson.

In the will for Audrey M. Bartlett, Mitch is to receive 3.23 acres, which the plat represents.

At this time they would like to split off this portion of their property for this existing residence and area around. This lot has access to Utah Ave. NE with water and septic established.

If you have questions or if you require further information you may contact myself, Attorney: James McCarragher or Mitch Olson.

Respectfully Submitted,

J. Scott Ritter, LLS Hart-Frederick Consultants P.C.

C: Mr. Mitch Olson Mr. James McCarragher HFCfile

# LIST OF FIGURES: 1-7

FIGURE 1:SITE + PHOTO LOCATIONS/DIRECTIONS

FIGURE 2: SITE PHOTOS

FIGURE 3: HISTORICAL PHOTOGRAPHS

FIGURE 4: ANDREAS ATLAS 1875

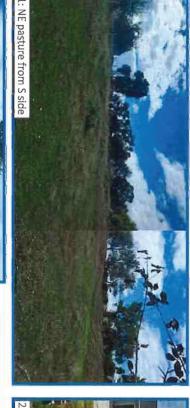
FIGURE 5: SITE SOIL MAP

FIGURE 6: SLOPE ANALYSIS

FIGURE 7: NATIONAL WETLANDS INVENTORY MAP









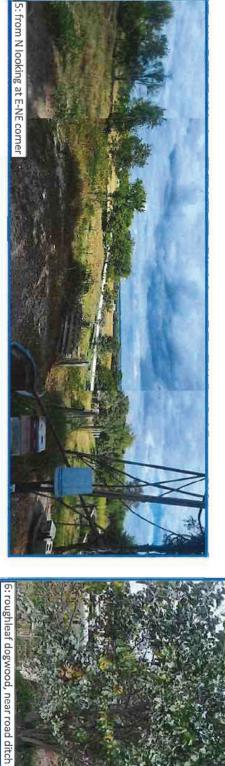
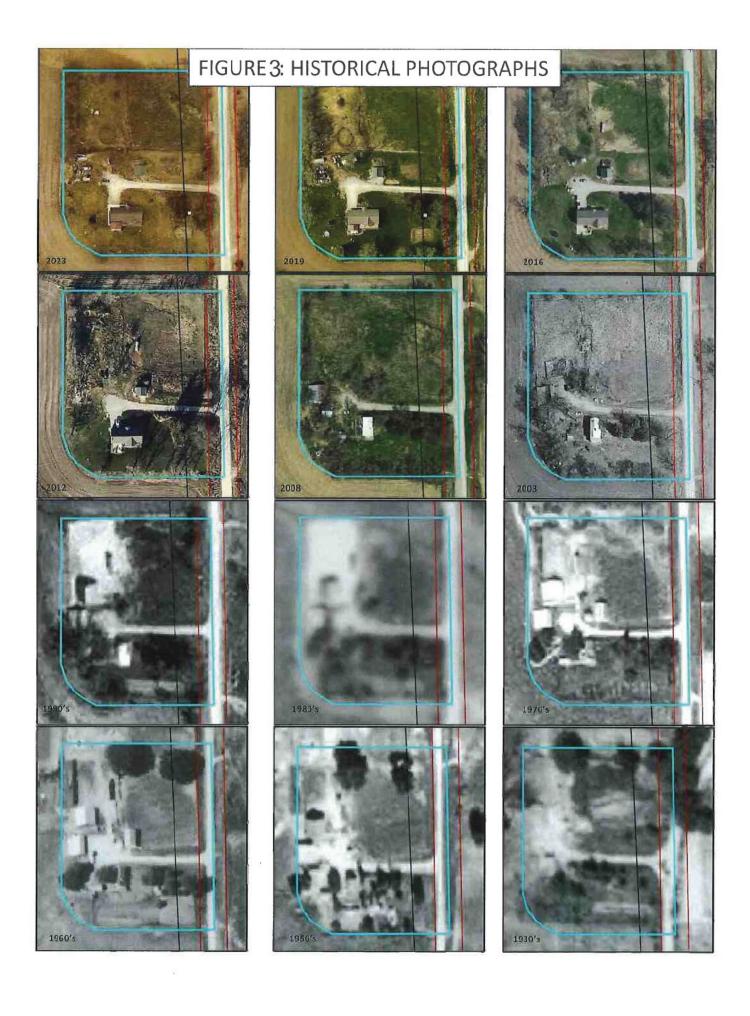
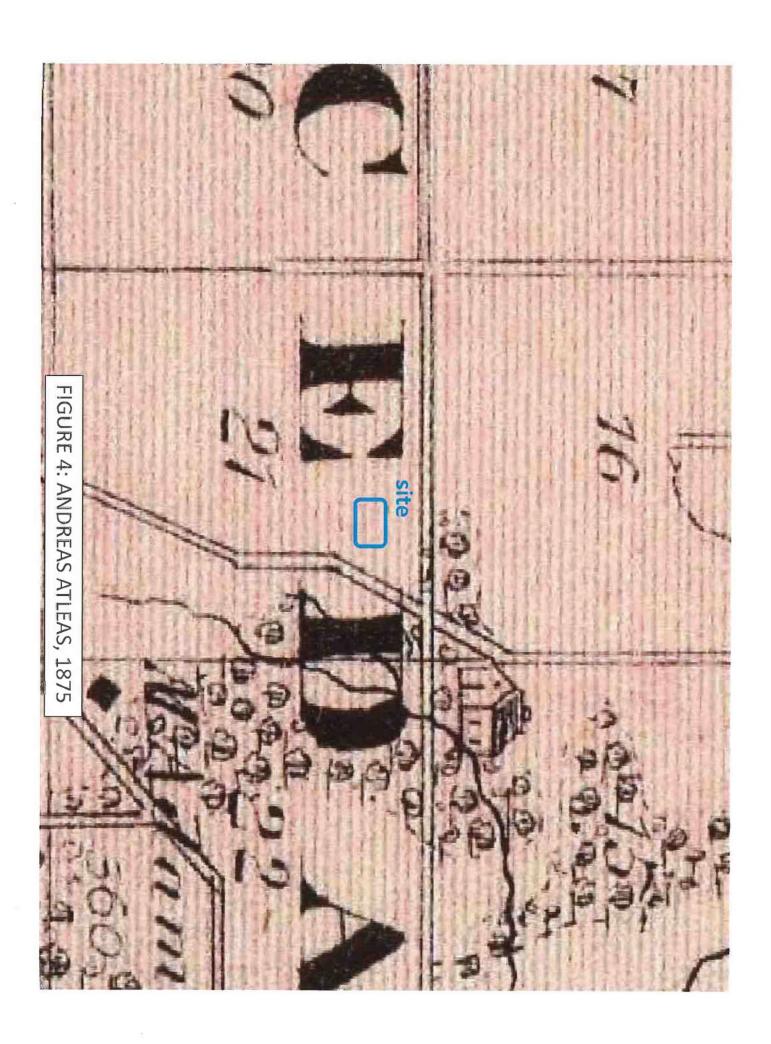
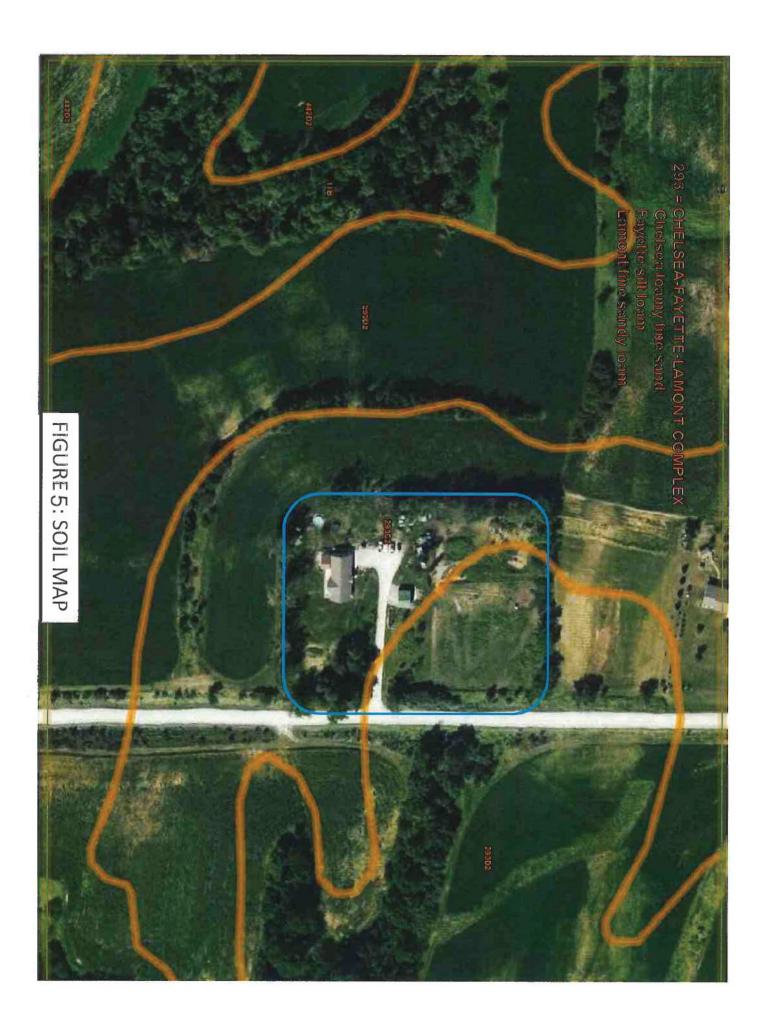


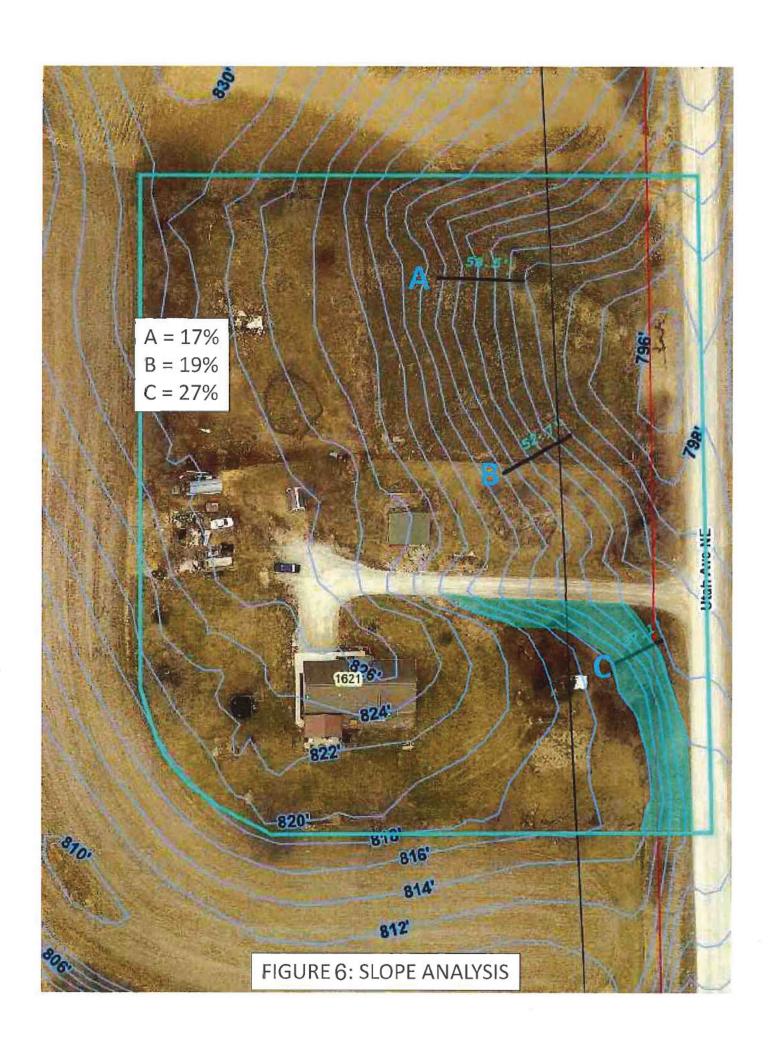


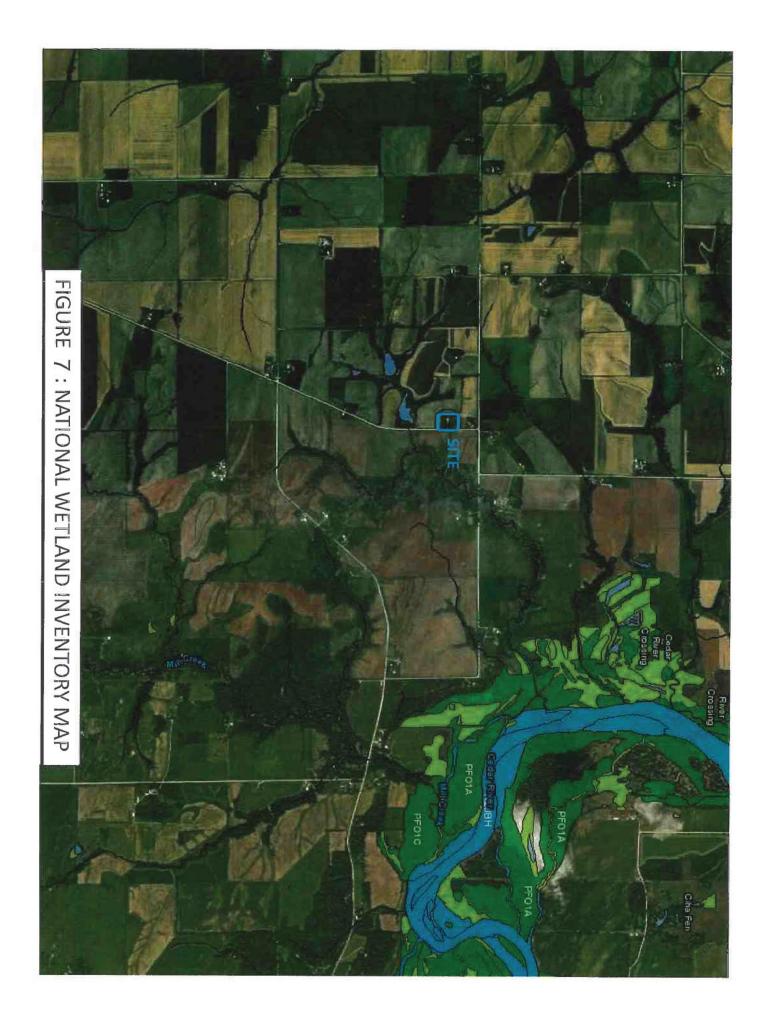
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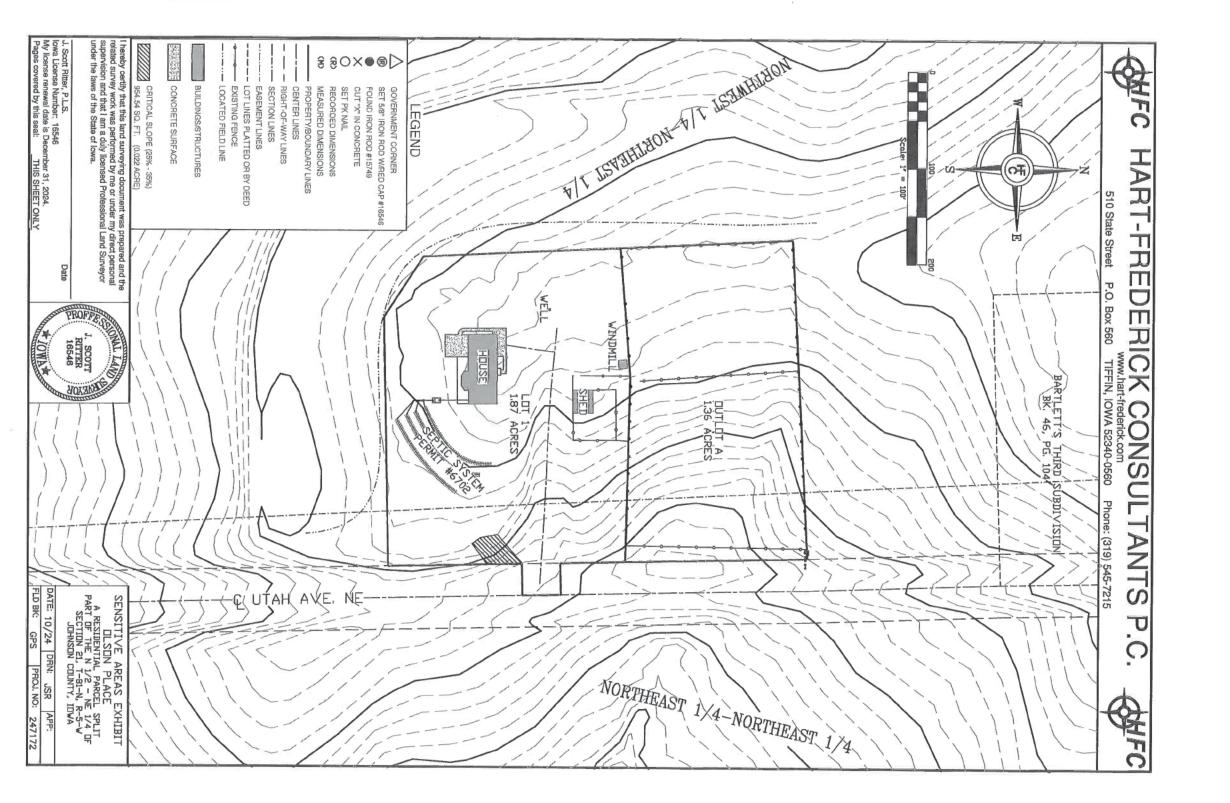












Sensitive Areas Review for:

Residential Subdivision

Parcel Number:

0121126002

Cedar Township



Prepared for:

Mitch Olson

and

Johnson County Planning, Development & Sustainability

Prepared by:

Charles D. Schmidt

Hart-Frederick Consultants

October, 2024

Charles D. Schmidt

Applicant

date

PDS Director

date

# Sensitive Areas Report:

Waivers had been requested for all sensitive areas except Significant Slopes. The waivers have been approved for those sensitive areas requested with the exception of Prairie/Prairie Remnants and Wetlands.

As directed by the Johnson County Environmental Coordinator, this report addresses the following potential sensitive areas:

- 1 Significant Slopes
- 2 Prairie and Prairie Remnants
- 3 Wetlands

As a result of this assessment, it has been determined that there are sensitive areas present on the site. These sensitive areas are: Significant slopes. This subdivision is exempt from Historic Properties requirements.

Site photos are in Figure 2; their approximate locations & directions are shown on Figure 1.

# Site Analysis

Our analysis of the site consisted of the following features:

- 1. Description of the area of interest.
- Offsite analysis.
  - a. NRCS Web soil survey.
  - b. Slope analysis.
  - c. Topographic map (blueline streams).
  - d. If the site is contiguous to other sensitive areas.
  - e. Past uses of the area: Historical photography.
- Onsite analysis.
  - a. Current use of the area.
  - b. Assessment of onsite soils.
  - c. An evaluation of the presence, quality, and diversity of native plant species (wetland & prairie).
  - d. An examination of surface or subsurface water on the site.

# Background Sensitive Areas Ordinance

The intent of the Sensitive Areas Ordinance is to ensure that the development of land protects and preserves areas defined as "sensitive".

# Purpose of the Sensitive Areas Ordnance.

In seeking to achieve the goals defined in the Johnson County Land Use Plan the purpose of the SAO is to:

- 1. Protect and preserve areas of environmental concern (sensitive areas) while accommodating development and existing agricultural uses.
- 2. Implement the environmental goals of the Land Use Plan.
- 3. Encourage and recognize innovations that demonstrate good land stewardship.
- 4. Manage and conserve areas of unique or locally significant resources.
- 5. Prevent injury and damage from natural hazards (floods, erosion).
- 6. Prevent and minimize degradation of surface and groundwater.
- 7. Encourage higher density or clustering on non-sensitive areas of property to promote development that provides for open space.
- 8. Encourage incentives such as conservation easements with waivers on taxes for that portion of the property protected as sensitive areas or created as open space through the use of higher density conservation designs.
- 9. Provide a mechanism for on-site or off-site mitigation when it is not possible or feasible to avoid disturbance of a sensitive area during development.

#### Measurement of area to be considered

The Johnson County PIV website shows 37.53ac for the entire site. The proposed property split is 3.23ac less the r.o.w. (see Figure 1).

#### Current Use of site:

The north section of the proposed split property is separated by an east-west fence and is pasture. Currently, there are three grazing animals occupying this pasture. All greenspaces which surround the house and the other outbuildings are mowed (Figure 1). None of the proposed split property is under cultivation at this time. Sparse trees on the north and west boundary of the split parcel serve as windbreaks.

There are also trees east of the house. None of the tree groups on the proposed parcel are large enough to constitute. a woodland.

#### Past Use of site:

The historic photos (Figure 3) show that the north section of the parcel was pasture from 2008 till today. From the 1960's till the early 2000's, there were several more buildings on the site west & north of the house. Many of these buildings have since been removed. A few random trees were growing in the southeast swale prior to the site becoming a home & building site. The Andreas Atlas of 1875 (Figure 4) show the site was likely grassland. Use as pasture and a building site since the 1930's has altered the native vegetation and character of the property.

#### Soils at site

The online Web Soil Survey (Figure 5) shows that the soils at the site are Chelsea-Fayette-Lamont complex (Chelsea loamy fine sand, Fayette silt loam, Lamont fine sandy loam). Two of the three of these soils have a significant amount of sand below a few inches of depth. Native vegetation of the soil complex (C-F-L) is Sandy Upland Woodland, Loess Upland Woodland, and Sandy Upland Woodland respectively. None of the three he C-F-L complex soils are hydric.

# Site contiguousness to other sensitive areas

Agricultural (cultivated) land surrounds the property boundaries. No sensitive areas (as defined by Section 8:3.4 of Chapter 8.3 of the Sensitive Areas Ordnance) are adjacent or contiguous to the property (Figure 1).

# Potential Sensitive Areas

#### Significant slopes

Significant Slopes contain slopes that are at high risk to erode, slide, or collapse. This includes protected slopes (>35%) and critical slopes (25-35%).

The parcel contains slopes (Figure 6) south of the driveway which are steep enough to be considered significant. Stabilization best practices must be utilized on any impacted significant slopes. There are no protected slopes on the property, only critical slopes.

Summary: There are significant (critical) but no protected slopes on the site.

<u>Buffering</u>: not required for critical slopes.

# Prairie and prairie remnants

As defined by the Johnson County Sensitive Areas Ordinance (SAO), a prairie or prairie remnant is a natural, undisturbed association of native grasses, sedges, and broadleaf plants. Prairie includes areas of at least 0.3 acres in size that have at least 4 prairie grass species and 10 broadleaf plant species (with a coefficient of conservatism of 5 or greater in either Illinois or Missouri) such as those listed in The Tallgrass Restoration Handbook by Packard and Mutel, 1997, (Table A.3, pp. 356-397). The pasture section on the north is approximately 1.6ac.

A remnant is defined as an original, native natural community (e.g., prairie or forest) that has survived on a site to the present day (e.g., a prairie that has never been plowed), but was once part of a larger, original landscape.

Remnant prairie is true native prairie. Unlike restored or reconstructed prairies, which have been reestablished or returned to prairie, prairie remnants are fragments of the original, pre-settlement prairie landscape.

At minimum, remnant prairies are home to approximately 100 species of prairie plants — some with roots known to reach depths of 20 feet. High quality prairie remnants can contain in excess of 300 species of prairie plants. In contrast, a reconstructed prairie can have between 20–100 plant species. Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) plantings are not considered prairie.

The pasture north of the east-west fence line is approximately 1.6ac in size and consists mostly of invasive weeds; weeds livestock won't eat. Table 1 values show an FQI of less than 1.0, indicating the majority of plants in the north pasture are invasive, non-native species.

Table 1: partial List of plants in northeast pasture

Common name	scientific name	$CC^1$	Pr List <sup>2</sup>	<sup>3</sup> ind. Status
Smooth ground cherry	Physalis subglabrata	NL	Ν	NL
Common dandelion	Taraxacum officinale	NL	N	FACU
Canada goldenrod	Solidago canadensis	1	У	FACU
Orchard grass	Dactylis glomerata	NL	N	FACU
Curly doc	Rumex crispus	NL	N	FAC
American pokeweed	Phytolacca Americana	1	N	FACU
Canada Thistle	Cirsium arvense	0	N	FACU
Common milkweed	Asclepias syriaca	1	У	FACU
Queen Anne's lace	Daucus carota	0	Ν	UPL
Great ragweed	Ambrosia trifida	NL	Ν	FAC
Common Mullein	Verbascum Thapsus	1	N	UPL
Oxeye daisy	Leucanthemum vulgare	NL	N	UPL
Common Plantain	Plantago major	NL	N	FAC
Velvet leaf	Abutilon theophrasti	NL	N	FACU
Rough-leaf Dogwood	Cornus drummondii	2	N	FAC
Siberian Elm	Ulmus pumila	NL	N	UPL
White Mulberry	Morus alba	NL	N	FAC

FQI = <1.0

# Summary- Prairie or Prairie remnant

- 1. The section north of the fence has been pasture for a number of years.
- 2. There are no prairie grasses or forbs on site.
- 3. There is no prairie or prairie remnant on site.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Coefficient of Conservation for Missouri Prairie, <sup>2</sup>Prairie plants, Johnson County, Iowa, <sup>3</sup>https://pubs.er.usgs.gov/search?q=midwest+wetland+plant+list

#### Wetlands

**Definition**: An area that is inundated or saturated by surface or ground water at a frequency and duration sufficient to support, and that under normal circumstances does support, a prevalence of vegetation typically adapted for life in saturated soil conditions. The diagnostic characteristics of wetlands are vegetation, hydric soils and hydrology.

According to the Web Soil Survey (Figure 5), there are no hydric soils on the property. The National Wetlands Inventory map (Figure 7) shows no wetlands on the site. The swale on the northeast side has no characteristics of wetland vegetation, or hydrology (Figure 2). No standing or ground water was noted within the swale. The elevation change from the top of the swale to the bottom is 10.5%; too steep for water to collect. As shown in Table 1, none of the plants in or near the swale were wetland plants.

Summary: There are no wetlands on the site.

#### References:

- 1. Johnson County Unified Development Ordnance https://www.johnsoncountyiowa.gov/dept\_zoning.aspx?id=5121
- 2. Soil Survey of Johnson County, Iowa. United States Department of Agriculture, Natural Resources Conservation Service.

https://www.nrcs.usda.gov/Internet/FSE\_DOCUMENTS/nrcseprd1316619.html

- 4. Prairie plants of Iowa. http://uipress.lib.uiowa.edu/ppi/counties.php?record=64 https://www.legis.iowa.gov/docs/ACO/rule/571.77.2.pdf
- 5. NRCS hydric soils by county: <a href="https://www.nrcs.usda.gov/publications/query-by-ssa.html">https://www.nrcs.usda.gov/publications/query-by-ssa.html</a>. FIELD OFFICE TECHNICAL GUIDE Sec. II
- 6. U.S Fish & Wildlife Service. National Wetlands Inventory https://fwsprimary.wim.usgs.gov/wetlands/apps/wetlands-mapper/
- 7. United States Department of Agriculture, Natural Resources Conservation Service. State Soil Data Access (SDA) Hydric Soils List.

https://www.nrcs.usda.gov/Internet/FSE\_DOCUMENTS/nrcseprd1316619.html

- 8. Johnson County Property Information Viewer https://gis.johnsoncountyiowa.gov/piv/
- 9. Iowa Geographic Map Server: Andreas Atlas, 1875

https://ortho.gis.iastate.edu/client.cgi?zoom=700&x0=480039&y0=4652942&layer=naip\_2017\_nc&action=layerdrg24&pwidth=800&pheight=625

10. La Petite Gemme, Linden's and Pleasant Run Creek Prairies

Missouri Prairie Foundation, Institute of Botanical Training, LLC. February 8, 2016 Institute of Botanical Training, LLC

- 11. Floristic Quality Assessment (FQA) <a href="https://universalfqa.org/view\_assessments">https://universalfqa.org/view\_assessments</a>
- 12. FQA Iowa: http://iowaplants.com/flora/fqa.html

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REQUEST FOR WAIVER: Sensitive Areas Ordinance

Residential	Parcel Solit	Š tx	
Type of Development Application: Residential	Tarcer opin		
Street Address or Layman's Description: 1621 L	I AH AVE N	IE, SOLON, IA	
Parcel Number(s): 0121126002			
Please check all sensitive areas for which waiver is b	eing requested:		
Critical Wildlife Habitat Historic Properties	Prairie & Prairie Remnant	Savanna & Savanna Remnant	Significant Slopes
Stream Corridors, Watercourses, Floodplain and Surface Water Bodies & Floodway	Wetlands	Woodlands	
Justification for granting this waiver request	should be attache	ed hereto. See back of th	nis page.
The undersigned hereby requests waiver from the Ser County Unified Development Ordinance in connection provided herein is true and correct. If applicant is not property described on this application consent to this their consent for the office of Johnson County Plannin visit and photograph the subject property.	with this project, the owner, applica waiver being subm	and affirms that the info nt affirms that the owne nitted, and said owners h	ormation er(s) of the nereby give
MITCH OLSON			
Name of Applicant	Applicant Email A	Address	
Applicant Phone			
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Name of Owner (if different)	Owner Email Ada	ress	
1621 UTAH AVE NE, SOLON, IA	52333		
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<sup>\*\*</sup>See accompanying letter for explanation for specific requirements.

<u>Initial or check each item below</u> to confirm that you are aware of the submittal requirements for a waiver request application to be considered complete. A waiver request fee of \$50 due at time of submittal. A written narrative explaining the request. Supporting documentation to justify waiver approval for each sensitive area for which waiver is being requested (see below). Examples of supporting information for each of the sensitive areas is listed below, Information additional to this may be necessary to sufficiently illustrate the absence of sensitive areas. If provided information does not confirm the absence of the sensitive area(s), the waiver request will be denied. The list below is meant to illustrate potential supporting information, and should not be construed as a complete list, or that including the provided items will guarantee waiver approval. Please initial or check each sensitive area for which material has been provided in support of the waiver request. Critical Wildlife Habitat: documentation, such as aerial photographs, showing absence of potential habitat for Threatened and Endangered species. Floodplain and Floodway: FEMA map showing absence of floodplain and floodway. Historic Properties: letter from the Office of the State Archaeologist indicating that survey is not warranted. Residential subdivisions which propose no more than one buildable lot and no more than three outlots are exempt from Historic Properties requirements. Prairie and Prairie Remnant: aerial photographs showing history of row crops. Savanna and Savanna Remnant: aerial photographs showing absence of open-grown trees. Significant Slopes: soil survey map showing absence of soils characterized by excessive slopes and/or contour map showing slopes less than 25%. Stream Corridors, Watercourses, and Surface Water Bodies: U.S. Geological Survey Quadrangle Map showing absence of a blue line river, stream, or drainageway, and aerials showing the absence of watercourses and surface water bodies.

Wetlands: National Wetlands Inventory (NWI) map showing absence of wetlands, soil survey map showing absence of hydric soils, and contour map showing absence of a geomorphic setting supportive of wetlands (e.g. depression, drainageway, surface water body, etc.).

Woodlands: aerial photographs showing absence or sparse distribution of trees.

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REQUEST FOR WAIVER: Storm-water Management Requirements

Type of Development Application: Residential Parcel Split
Street Address or Layman's Description: 1621 UTAH AVE NE, SOLON, IA
Parcel Number(s): 0121126002
A written narrative explaining justification for granting this waiver request should be attached hereto. The undersigned hereby requests waiver from the Stormwater Management Ordinance requirements of the Johnson County Unified Development Ordinance in connection with this project, and affirms that the information provided herein is true and correct. If applicant is not the owner, applicant affirms that the owner(s) of the property described on this application consent to this waiver being submitted, and said owners hereby give their consent for the office of Johnson County Planning, Development, and Sustainability to conduct a site visit and photograph the subject property.
MITCH OLSON
Name of Applicant Applicant Email Address
Applicant Phone
Name of Owner (if different)  Owner Email Address
1621 UTAH AVE NE, SOLON, IA 52333
Owner Mailing Address (include City, State, Zip)  Putty Applicant Signature  Owner Mailing Address (include City, State, Zip)  9/13/24  Date
ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER'S DECISION:  APPROVE WITH BUILDING PERMIT**  DENY
9/17/2024  ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER DATE
**Sedment and Erosion control, and Stormwater Management compliance will not be required with this development application, but will be required with any future building permits on this site.
<u>Initial each item below</u> to confirm that you are aware of the submittal requirements for a waiver request application to be considered complete.
A waiver request fee of \$50 due at time of submittal.
A written narrative explaining the request.



# PLANNING, DEVELOPMENT AND **SUSTAINABILITY**

JOSH BUSARD AICP, LEED-AP, CFM DIRECTOR

NATHAN MUELLER, AICP, CFM ASSISTANT DIRECTOR

#### PLANNING DIVISION

#### WAIVER RESPONSE

Date: September 17, 2024

To:

Hart-Frederick Consultants; Attn. Scott Ritter

From: Kasey Hutchinson, Environmental Regulations Coordinator

Re:

Waiver Request for 1621 Utah Avenue NE (PPN 0121126002)

Recently, your firm submitted a request to waive the Stormwater Management and Sensitive Areas requirements for a subdivision located at 1621 Utah Avenue NE (PPN 0121126002). After review, the PDS Administrative Officer has issued the following decision on the request:

#### Request to waive Stormwater Management: With Building Permit

Stormwater management planning will be required with any future building permit,

# Request to waive Sensitive Areas: Partial Approval

- Waiver has been requested for all sensitive areas with the exception of Significant Slopes. Waiver has been approved for those sensitive areas requested with the exception of Prairie and Prairie Remnants and Wetlands.
  - Desktop assessment is insufficient to rule out the presence of wetland in the swale present on the northern portion of the subject property that drains to the road ditch.
  - o Desktop assessment is insufficient to rule out the presence of prairie and prairie remnants in the northeast section of the subject property, as aerial photographs do not show a history of disturbance or row-cropping.
  - o The results of this assessment should be provided with the subdivision application.
- This project is exempt from the Historic Properties requirements.

Please contact me at khutchinson@johnsoncountyjowa.gov if you have any questions.

Respectfully,

Kasey Hutchinson

**Environmental Regulations Coordinator** 

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