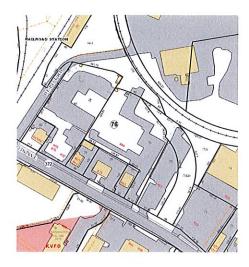
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Municipal Improvement (CGS Sec. 8-24)

Farmington Avenue and new road to train station at Newport TOD development CCD-2 Zone

Kensington Overlay Zone

CNG gas utility easement for gas lines and service



PROPOSAL

In accordance with the Connecticut General Statutes §8-24, review and recommendation to the Town Council regarding granting of an easement to provide gas lines and service to the Berlin Train Station TOD project.

STAFF COMMENTS

At their meeting of March 3, 2020, the Town Council voted to refer the granting of an easement to CNG, as attached, to the Planning and Zoning Commission for review pursuant to section 8-24 of the Connecticut General Statutes.

The gas lines will service the approved TOD project, constructed in conjunction with Newport Realty Group that includes the new road connecting through to the Berlin Train Station and approved buildings.



Town Of Berlin

240 Kensington Road Berlin, CT 06037 860-828-7036

Office of the Town Clerk

RESOLUTION

TO THE BERLIN PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION:

I hereby certify the following to be a true and exact copy of a resolution adopted by the Town Council, for the Town of Berlin, at its duly called and held meeting on March 3, 20200 at which a quorum was present and acting throughout, and that the resolution has not been modified, rescinded, or revoked and is at present in full force and effect:

Motion to "Refer the granting of an easement to CNG to provide gas lines and service to the Berlin Train Station TOD Project to the Planning and Zoning Commission for a review pursuant to section 8-24 of the Connecticut General Statutes."

MOTION PASSED 5-0

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand and affixed the municipal seal of said municipality this 4th day of March 2020.

TOWN OF BERLIN, CONNECTICUT OFFICE OF THE TOWN CLERK

Kathryn J. Wall, MMC, Town Clerk

Attachments

Agenda Item No. **Request for Town Council Action**

TO:

The Honorable Mayor and Town Council

FROM:

Arosha Jayawickrema, Town Manager

DATE:

February 24, 2020

SUBJECT:

Authorization for the Town Manager to Sign an Agreement with Connecticut Natural Gas to provide Gas Service for the TOD Project and Section 8-24 Referral to the Planning and Zoning Commission regarding an easement for

CNG to Install and Maintain Gas Lines

Summary of Agenda Item:

As part of the planning for the Berlin Train Station Transit Oriented Development Project, Newport Realty Group LLC contacted Connecticut Natural Gas (CNG) and requested that CNG provide natural gas to the project. Natural gas lines will run along the Boulevard to the Train Station with laterals serving each building. CNG has offered to install the natural gas service at no cost to Newport and the Town but the Town as property owner will need to sign the attached agreement and it will need to provide easements for the natural gas lines on land now owned by the Town. Before the Town Council can act on the granting of the easements it needs to refer the granting of these easements to CNG for a review by the Planning and Zoning Commission pursuant to section 8-24 of the Connecticut General Statutes.

Action

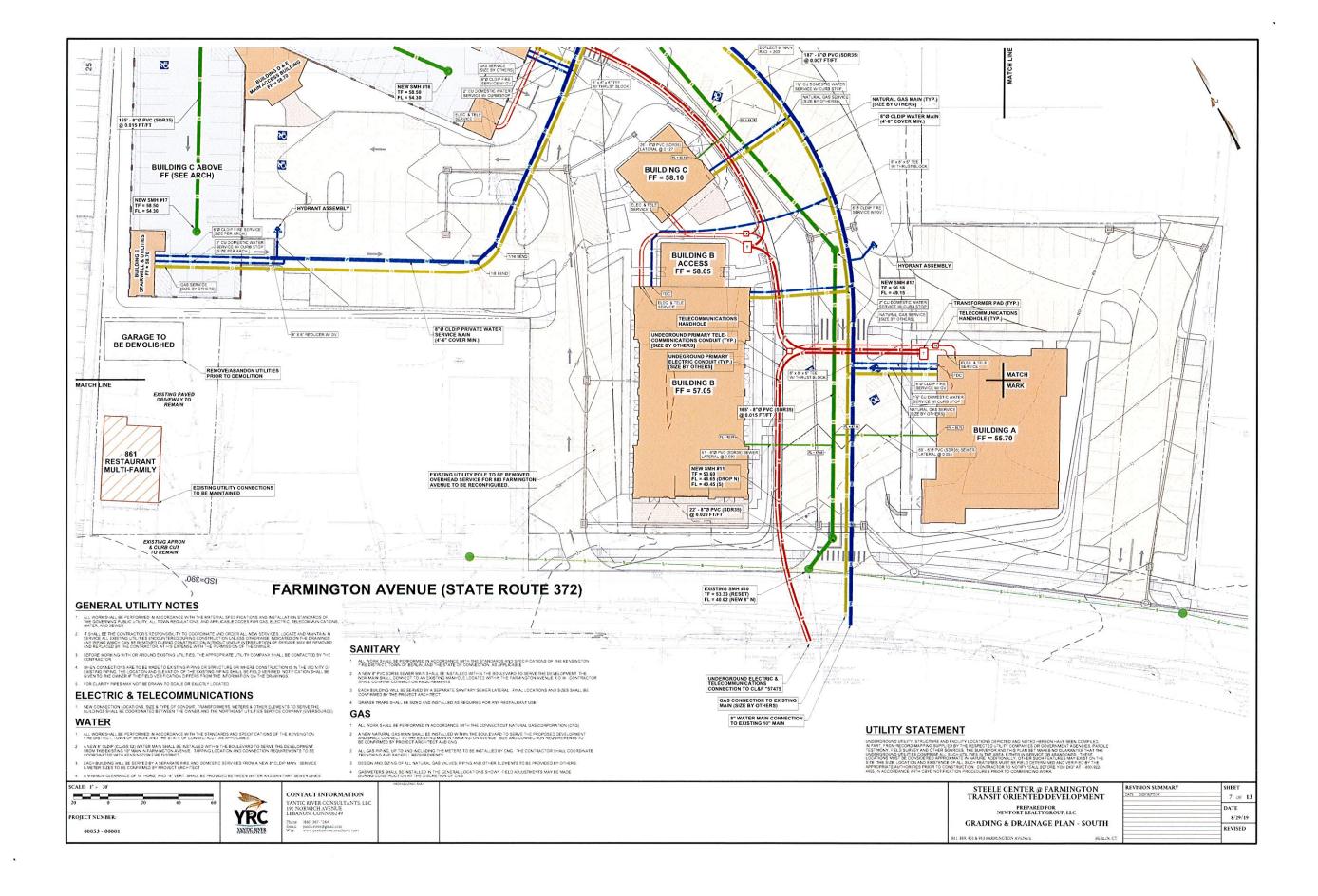
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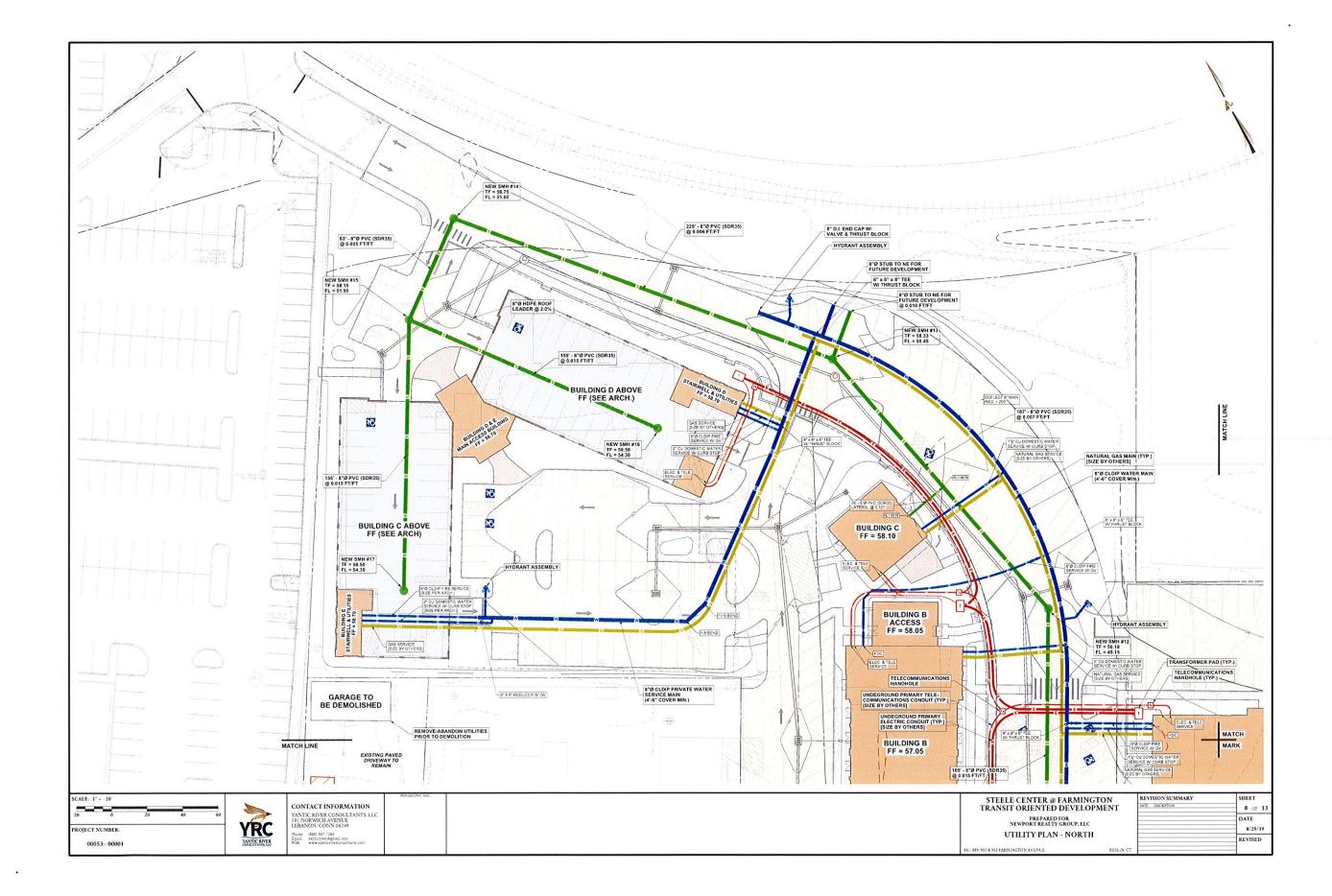
Attachments:

- 1. Map showing easement area.
- 2. CNG agreement.

Prepared By:

Chris Edge, Economic Development Director Jim Mahoney, Economic Development Coordinator







February 21, 2020

Newport Realty Group LLC 710 Main St. Suite 11 Plantsville, CT 06479

Dear Mark Lovley,

This letter and any accompanying rider(s) shall be a binding agreement between Connecticut Natural Gas (CNG) and Newport Realty Group LLC (hereinafter known as Applicant), upon execution of this letter agreement and any accompanying rider(s) by both parties and its return to CNG.

- 1. CNG agrees to provide natural gas service to Newport Realty Group LLC at the location(s) and for the use(s) in the facilities and at the estimated amounts set forth on Appendix A, subject to the terms and conditions of this letter agreement and any accompanying rider(s). Natural gas consumption shall be deemed to commence when the facilities necessary to render natural gas service at the location(s) specified in Appendix A but in no event later than three (3) months from the completion of CNG's service line(s) to the location(s) specified in Appendix A. The commencement date for natural gas consumption may be extended by mutual agreement in writing. Additionally, please note if development will be completed in phases by completing the section below:
- 2. In order to provide natural gas service at the location(s) set forth on Appendix A, Applicant agrees to pay a contribution in aid of construction (CIAC) Zero,(\$0.00), in aid of constructing certain facilities by CNG. This contribution is due upon execution of this letter and prior to commencement of each phase of development as outlined in table below (Development Phases). CIAC has been calculated based upon the construction schedule, the estimated consumption of natural gas at the location(s) and the consumption of natural gas as the only fuel for the use(s) described in Appendix A. Unless such contribution is received by CNG at the time this letter agreement is executed, CNG has no obligation to extend its facilities to serve the location(s) and use(s) described in Appendix A.

The CIAC has been calculated using the estimated annual consumption of natural gas at the location(s) and for the use(s) shown on Appendix A. Applicant will provide a load sheet to CNG with estimated usage based on appliances being installed. It is understood and agreed that if Applicant fails to inform CNG of any changes that impact upon CNG's construction costs or the estimated annual natural gas consumption by the equipment at the location(s), Applicant agrees to pay CNG upon demand a contribution in aid of construction utilizing CNG's new business





guidelines in effect on the date of this letter agreement and which are on file with Connecticut's Public Utilities Regulatory Authority (PURA).

Development Phases

| Phase | # of Buildings | Address or Lot Number (if available) | Completion Date | CIAC |
|-------|-------------------|---|-----------------|----------|
| NA | 5 | 889,903,913 Farmington Ave. Berlin, CT | 3/1/2023 | [\$0.00] |

If, in the course of construction of facilities at the location(s) set forth on Appendix A, CNG encounters contaminated soil at such location(s), Applicant shall bear the additional cost of excavating and removing the contaminated soil per Federal, State and Local laws, regulations and agency orders or directives including but not limited to signing any manifest for disposal as the generator of such contaminated soil. Unless Applicant agrees in writing to bear such additional costs, CNG shall have the right to cease its performance and terminate this agreement.

- 3. The rate applicable to service at the location(s) and for the use(s) specified in Appendix A is CNG's RFH, as amended from time to time by order of PURA. This letter agreement is subject to CNG's Rules and Regulations in force and on file with PURA, as amended from time to time, and to all applicable laws, governmental regulations and governmental orders, including those of the PURA.
- 4. Applicant agrees that, if the natural gas service to be provided under this letter agreement involves the relocation of existing services, meters and connections at the location(s) specified on Appendix A, the cost of replacing all facilities beyond CNG's meter shall be the responsibility of Applicant.
- 5. All mains, services, meters and connections shall remain the property of CNG. In the event any easement(s) is required for the installation of CNG's mains, services, meters and connections, Applicant shall grant CNG such easement(s) in a form satisfactory to CNG before CNG commences constructing and installing its facilities necessary to render natural gas service at the location(s) specified in Appendix A.

| 5. | CNG will provide trenching and backfill for Main & Stub |
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| | Applicant will provide trench and backfill for Second Half Services |

| Initial: | Date: |
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- 7. If Applicant is not the owner of the premises at the location(s) specified in Appendix A, this letter agreement shall not be binding on CNG unless and until both Applicant and the owner of the premises agree to all of the terms and conditions set forth herein as evidenced by the signatures of Applicant and the owner on this letter agreement.
- 8. Applicant will complete and execute an initial New/Replacement Service Installation Agreement form prior to the installation of natural gas service to property. For subsequent homes, you hereby grant CNG a Limited Power of Attorney to execute each subsequent installation agreement on your behalf upon your oral authorization to do so at the time such installation agreement is prepared.
- 9. If Applicant defaults on any payments required under this letter agreement, including payments due for natural gas consumed, Applicant agrees to pay all costs of collection including reasonable attorney fees.
- 10. This letter agreement shall not be assigned nor otherwise transferred by Applicant without the written consent of CNG.
- 11. This letter agreement supersedes any and all agreements, either oral or written, between Applicant and CNG. This letter agreement may be amended, modified or terminated only by written agreement executed by CNG and Applicant.
 - 12. This agreement is valid for a period of 12 months from the completion date of Phase II outlined in the table above (Development Phases).
- 13. Any communications and notices with respect to this letter agreement shall be forwarded to:
 - Connecticut Natural Gas
 76 Meadow St, 2nd Floor
 East Hartford, CT 06108
 Attention: Sales Manager
 - b. Newport Realty Group LLC 710 Main St. Suite 11 Plantsville, CT 06479

or to such address as either party may provide in writing to the other from time to time. Absent notice of a change of address, the address shown above shall be the address for any notice under this letter agreement and notice shall be deemed effective three (3) days after mailing of such notice duly addressed and with postage prepaid.





This letter agreement shall be governed by the laws of the State of Connecticut. If any provision(s) of this letter agreement is found to be unlawful and otherwise null and void, Applicant and CNG agree that the remaining provisions of this letter agreement shall remain in full force and effect.

The offer to provide natural gas service to Applicant by CNG on the terms and conditions set forth herein will expire unless a fully executed copy of this letter agreement and any accompanying rider(s) is received by CNG on or before March 21, 2020.

Very truly yours,
CONNECTICUT NATURAL GAS

| Ву | |
|-------------------|--|
| Michael Borea | |
| CNG Sales Manager | |

Any questions concerning this agreement may be directed to Tony Sherman, (203) 499-3324 or asherman@ctgcorp.com.

NOTE:

TO AVOID DELAY IN PROCESSING YOUR REQUEST FOR GAS SERVICE, PLEASE BE SURE TO SIGN BELOW AND THE APPENDIX A ATTACHED WITH THIS LETTER.

| ACCEPTED: | | |
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| Signature | | |
| Print Name | | |
| Γitle | | |
| Date | | |





APPENDIX A NATURAL GAS CONSUMPTION

OPPORTUNITY ID NUMBER:

a0E1S00001X5IS2UAJ

APPLICANT: Newport Realty Group LLC

CONTACT: Mark Lovley

LOCATION: 889,903,913 Farmington Ave.

TOWN:

Berlin, CT

DATE OF PLANS/INFORMATION SUPPLIED:

NUMBER OF UNITS: 76

| A STATE OF THE PERSON NAMED IN COLUMN 2 IN | Total CFH 1 | Quantity | Appliance |
|--|-------------|----------|-----------|
| 10,640 | 4,270 | 76 | Furnace |
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NUMBER OF METERS REQUIRED:

76

TARIFF RATE (circle correct rate):

RFH

NUMBER OF UNITS: 2

| Appliance | Quantity | Total CFH | Total CCF |
|------------|----------|-----------|------------------|
| Furnace/WH | 2 | 1,470 | 5,586 |
| | | 2, | 5,550 |
| | | | |

NUMBER OF METERS REQUIRED:

2

TARIFF RATE (circle correct rate):

SGSF





NUMBER OF UNITS: 2

| Appliance | Quantity | Total CFH | Total CCF |
|---------------|----------|-----------|-----------|
| Furnace/WH/CK | 1 | 2,690 | 7,235 |
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| NUMBER | OF METERS | REQUIRED: |
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TARIFF RATE (circle correct rate):

MGSF

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| APPLICANT (PRINT): | |
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| APPLICANT SIGNATURE: | DATE: |

