Site Plan Amendment

Application: Site Plan Amendment

Project Name: Murphy Road Recycling Building Addition

Address: 655 Christian Lane (3-4-76A-1C and 3-2-76A-1B-1)

Zone: General Industrial (GI)

Applicant: Gerald Antonacci, Principal
Owner: Christian Lane Realty, LLC

Proposal: 36,900 S.F. building addition, truck scale house and related site

improvements

NOTE: The applicant understands that ZBA approval for a variance of building coverage is required prior to PZC approval however, has asked to be scheduled to begin the PZC site plan review process at the meeting of February 18, 2021.



PROPOSAL

Gerald Antonacci, Principal, Christian Lane Realty, LLC is seeking a site plan amendment to allow construction of a 36,900 S.F. building addition, truck scale house and related site improvements at 655 Christian Lane in the GI zone pursuant to Berlin Zoning Regulations Sections VII. and XIII.

STAFF COMMENTS/ RECOMMENDATIONS

- 1. The building coverage be resolved by issuance of a variance or a reduction in coverage for the proposal as submitted prior to a PZC decision.
- 2. Erosion Control and Site Bonding as required including specifically for relocated landscaping.
- 3. Install "Abtech Industries Ultra Urban Filters with Smart Sponge Technology" in ALL of site catch basins per Inland Wetlands comments.

- 4. The parcels be merged, as proposed in the application, to create a single 6.66-acre parcel.
- 5. Any change to signage requires applicable permits in conformance with the signage regulations.
- 6. Property dimensions and building distances to property lines be added to the site plan prior to permitting.
- 7. Signage and pavement markings be clearly updated on site to redirect traffic through the site
- 8. Any outstanding department comments be resolved to the satisfaction of the applicable department.

FOR THE COMMISSION TO CONSIDER:

9. If the existing parking remains adequate for the use per this application.

EXISTING CONDITIONS

The existing recycling facility is comprised of two parcels with access on Christian Lane. The site is improved with several existing buildings. A stormwater detention area is at the southwest corner of Lot 1C. There is an existing trailer storage area off the northwest corner of the site on Lot 1B-1. Adjacent uses are the railroad to the west, Bodycote Thermal Processing to the North, and Copart of Connecticut to the South. Murphy Road Recycling began operating from the site approximately 2007 and obtained approval for the existing canopy addition to the western outbuilding in 2009.

PROPOSED CONDITIONS

The application is to upgrade their operation with new recycling sorting equipment to be housed within the proposed addition and a new scale house. The applicant has proposed to merge the adjoining properties that are currently a unified plan for the recycling use.

Variance Required

Lot 1C is substantially improved with impervious surfaces including buildings, parking, and drives. Maximum building coverage of up to 35% will be exceeded with the building addition for proposed building coverage of 38%. A variance application is pending with the ZBA and is scheduled for their February 23, 2021 meeting.

Parking & Driveways (XIII.A.6.d)

Existing employee parking is shown at the front/east end of the site, along the southerly driveway and adjacent to the existing front building. The applicant proposes to reverse the existing truck traffic flow to enter through the existing southerly driveway and exit from the

existing northerly driveway where a new outbound truck scale will be installed along with a scale house accessory building. The scale further west on the north drive will be removed. The applicant is requesting to maintain the existing parking as no new employees are proposed to be required for the new equipment to be installed in the addition. Existing parking stalls are at the easterly end of the site, (near Christian Lane) with 18 stalls along the southerly drive, 5 in front of the main building and 6 adjacent to the front maintenance building for a total of 29 spaces. There is an existing truck storage area at the north of the site on lot 1B-1.

Utilities (XIII.A.6.f)

No changes to service are proposed from the Town system. Internal services will require proper permitting.

Stormwater Management (XIII.A.6.g) and Grading

Roof leaders are proposed to tie into the existing stormwater system. No additional impervious surface is proposed and stormwater will continue to flow into existing catch basins.

Landscaping

Modifications are proposed to allow for construction of the scale house and scale along the northerly drive. Existing planting will be relocated to the north to accommodate and continue to screen the area.

Notification:

The City of New Britain and Town of Newington were notified of the site plan application by Certified Mail postmarked January 22, 2021.

Interdepartmental Comments

Inland Wetlands: Install "Abtech Industries Ultra Urban Filters with Smart Sponge Technology" in ALL of site catch basins.

Building Official: Proper structural plans including M.E.P's with approvals – approved third party inspections will be required.

Fire Marshal, Police Chief, Board of Police Commissioners, Berlin Water Control: indicated "No Comment".

Engineering Comments are pending



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SITE PLAN APPLICATION

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Project Name: Murphy Road Recycling Build	ling Addition		
Property Owner(s): Christian Lane Realty, LLO	C		
Project Address*:655 Christian Lane	8		
Map: 3-4 Block: 76A Lot: 1C	Zone(s): GI Lot Area	a: _5.4 ac	
3-2 76A 1B	GI	1.26 ac 6.66 ac total	
Please select all relevant items below:			
 ☑ Property is within 500 feet of a Municipal Amendment to Zoning Regulations – State Amendment to Zoning Map – Zone(s) ☑ Zoning Board of Appeals review needstand Unland Wetlands and Water Course Contact Applican 	Section(s)affecteded		
ame: Gerald Antonacci Firm Name: Christian Lane Realty, LLC.			
Street Address: 15 Mullen Road	City: Enfield ST:		
Email: jerry@usarecycle.com Phone: (860) 729-0601			
Signature: What the	Date: January 7, 2021		
Property Owner(s) Infor	mation (If Not the Applicant)		
Name: _Christian Lane Realty, LLC.	Principal: Gerald Antonacci		
Street Address: 15 Mullen Road	City: Enfield ST:	CT Zip: 06082	
Email: jerry@usarecycle.com	Phone: (860) 729-0601		
*Letter of Authorization Required			

^{*}Any town official and/or employee that the town deems necessary may enter the property to verify information submitted with this application.

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Site Plan Application Murphy Road Recycling, LLC. 655 Christian Lane, Kensington, CT

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Planning & Zoning Department STATEMENT OF USE Berlin, Connecticut

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The project site is an existing recycling facility located on the west side of Christian Lane (#655). The site contains 6.6 acres and is in the General Industrial (GI) zone. The Amtrak rail line runs along the western property line of the site. The applicant is proposing site improvements to construct a 36,900 square foot building addition and install an outbound truck scale with associated scale house. The existing impervious coverage on the site is 77% and will remain the same with the proposed improvements.

SITE ACCESS AND OFF-STREET PARKING

This parcel's site access drives will remain unchanged and no work is proposed within the Town's ROW. Internal traffic flow will be reversed to accommodate the new outbound truck scale as part of this application therefore, internal entrance and exit signage will be revised and installed to inform drivers of these on-site modifications. The proposed building addition is to be used for recycling and processing equipment and will not increase the number of employees currently at this facility so parking will remain unchanged for this project. Since our approved use within the GI zone is not specifically listed within the parking calculations for industrial uses under Sec. IX.B.5.d of the Regulations we anticipate we fall under Sec. IX.B.5.e of the Regulations and anticipate our request to not increase the current number of on-site parking spaces will require a determination by the Commission.

SITE DRAINAGE & STORMWATER MANAGEMENT

The proposed building will eliminate the need for the two 8" diameter pipe connections and these will be abandoned. The existing catch basin will remain to collect any stormwater on the pavement south of the building. The stormwater from the roof of the proposed addition will be collected and roof leaders will connect to the existing storm piped systems at the north and south of the building, in the same manner as the paved area drains.

The building addition is proposed on an area that is currently 100% paved, therefore the stormwater flows and their discharge location, will be unchanged with the addition of the building. With the addition of the building, the proposed stormwater will now fall onto a roof instead of a bituminous storage/truck loading area and this will eliminate the potential introduction of pollutants that may be encountered on the paved surface and improve the quality of stormwater runoff discharged to the existing system.

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UTILITY IMPACT NARRATIVE

The proposed improvements will be utilizing existing utilities which are located within Christian Lane and currently service the subject property.

Water Service

Water service will remain connected to an existing water main located on Christian Lane. Based upon the water service location depicted on the plan there is no off-site disturbance anticipated within the Town's R.O.W. as part of this project and any modifications to the existing service will be minor in nature and addressed at the time of building permit application.

Sanitary Sewer Service

Sanitary Sewer service will remain connected to an existing sewer main located on Christian Lane. Based upon the sewer service location depicted on the plan there is no off-site disturbance anticipated within the Town's R.O.W. as part of this project. No increasing to sewer flow are anticipated from the site based upon the proposed building addition.

Electric Service

Electric service improvements and upgrades that will be required for the proposed building addition, truck scale and scale house will be connected to existing on site services. No off-site disturbance is anticipated within the Town's R.O.W. as part of this service connection.

LANDSCAPING BUFFERS & SCREENING

Site landscaping will be adjusted along the north side of the property where existing arborvitaes serve as a landscaping buffer along the northern access. Several of these trees will need to be relocated for the proposed scale house and will be relocated or replaced in kind to assure the same coverage and aesthetics as the existing landscape buffer. No other modifications to the existing vegetation are proposed at this time.

EROSION & SEDIMENT CONTROL PLAN

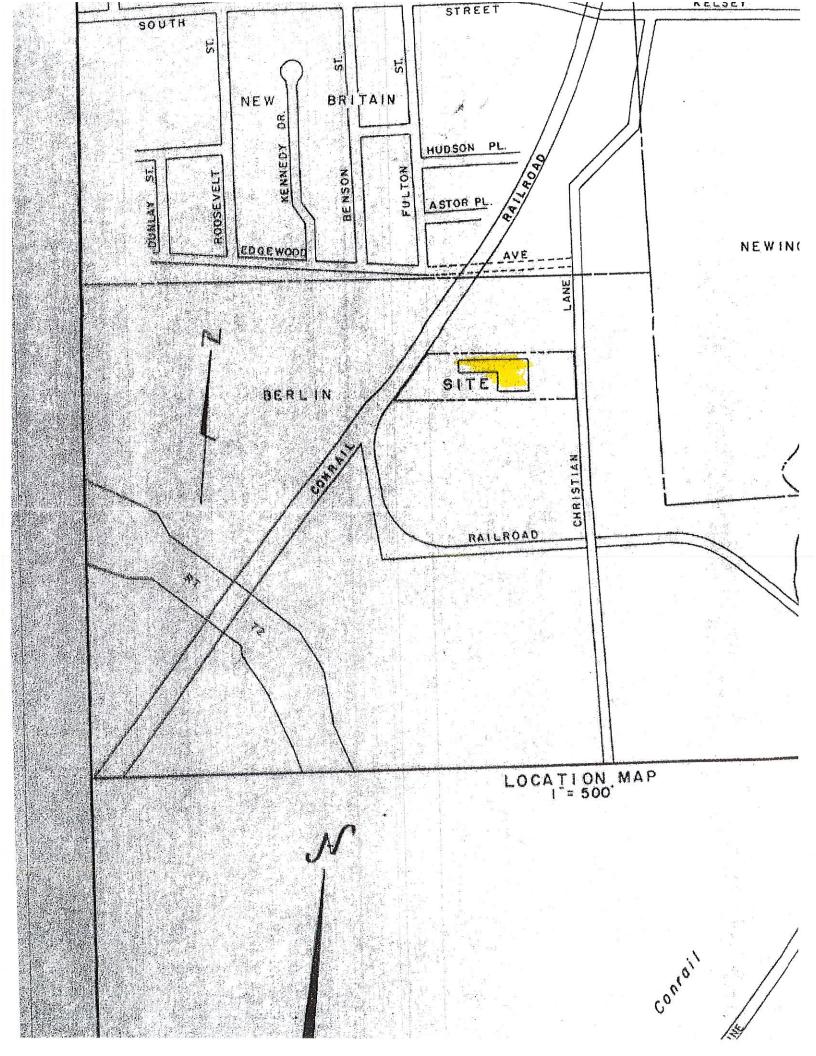
The potential impact of the project on the surrounding areas is related to the temporary transport of soils and sediments associated with the future construction phases of the project. The impact of the project on the surrounding areas will be controlled as follows:

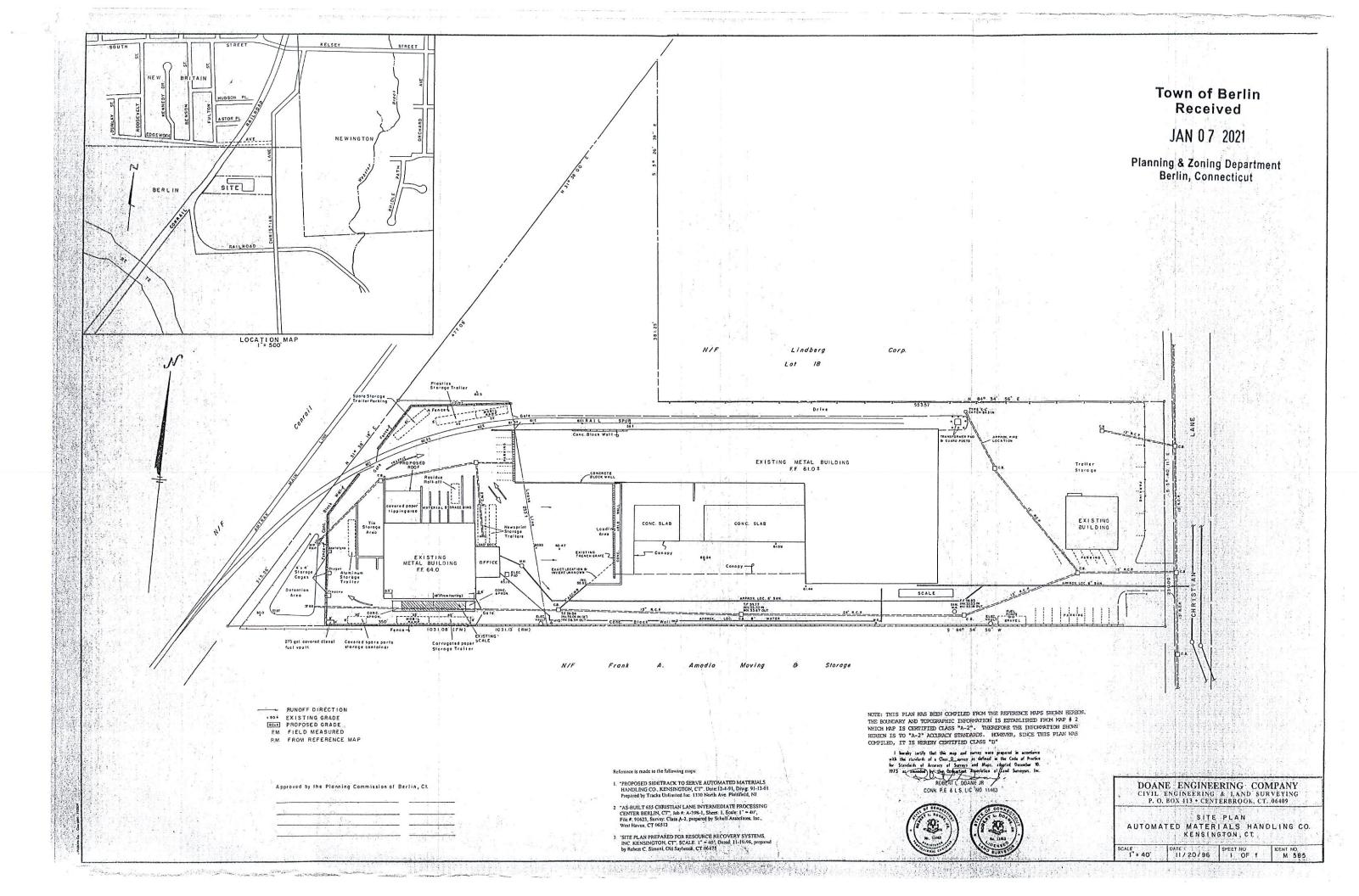
- 1. Erosion and sediment control measures shall be installed at the project site prior to construction.
- 2. Since the site is entirely paved and the improvements are anticipated to yield minimal site disturbance related only to foundation excavation, an Anti-Tracking Apron is not proposed at this time. If the transport of sediments off the construction site by truck and construction equipment traffic become troublesome, a tracking pad will be installed at the entrance to the construction site to prevent such transport.

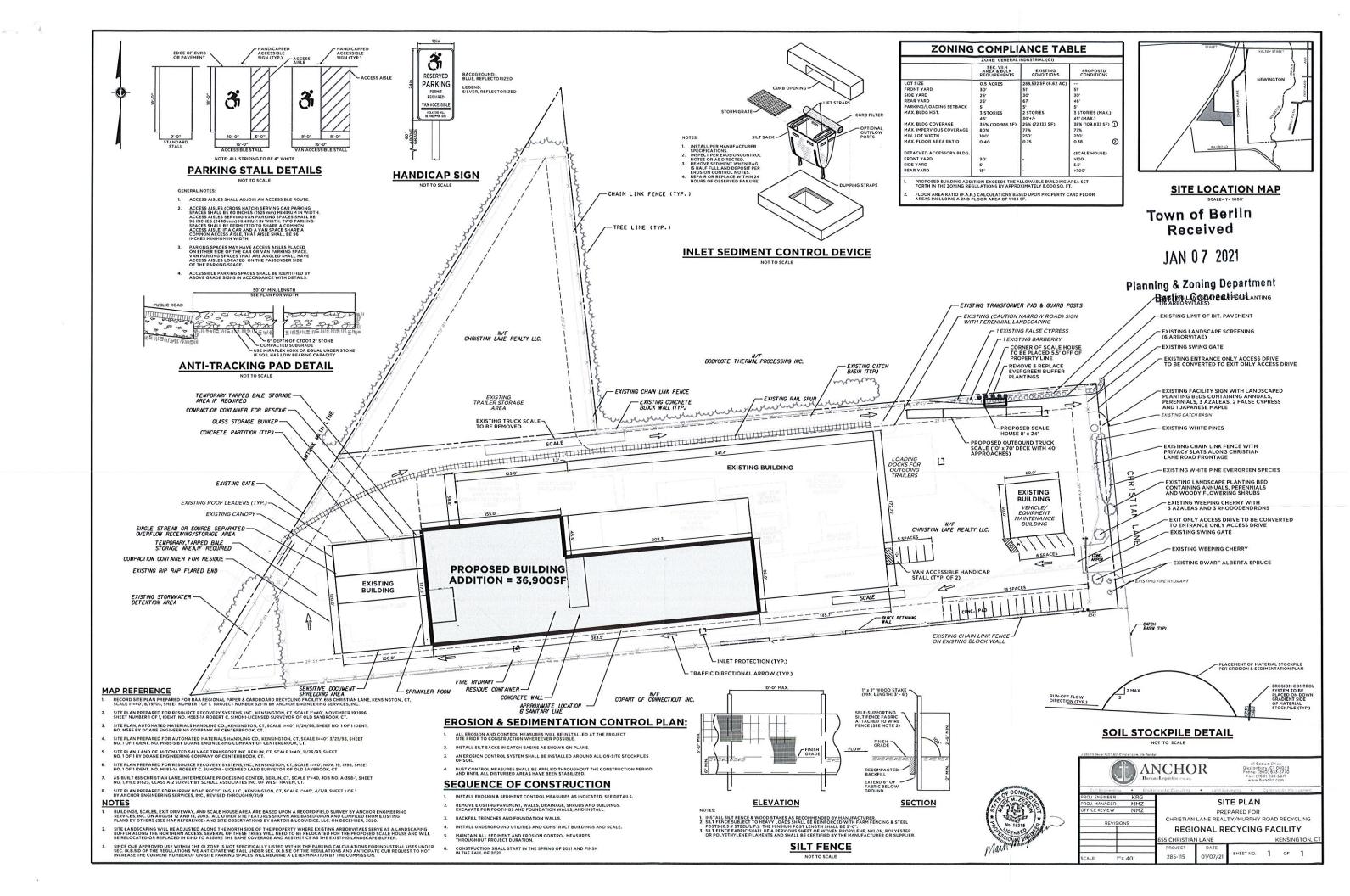
- 3. Existing and proposed catch basins within the project area will be protected with silt sacks throughout the construction period. These controls shall remain in place until the areas disturbed during the construction phase are stabilized.
- 4. An erosion control system shall be installed around all on-site stockpiles of soil.
- 5. Dust control measures shall be applied throughout the construction period and until all disturbed areas have been stabilized.

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Drainage Summary Report

Berlin, Connecticut
Christian Lane Realty/Murphy Road Recycling – Proposed Building Addition

655 Christian Lane, Kensington, CT

January 6, 2021

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EXISTING CONDITIONS

The area of the site where the building addition is proposed is currently paved with bituminous concrete, or existing canopy or portion of the existing buildings that will be demolished and removed. This area currently includes a truck loading area, material storage areas and residue containers and compactor. The proposed addition will allow these activities to be in an enclosed building rather than in an open outdoor area.

This paved area currently drains overland to an existing catch basin on the south side of the property which is piped to the west and outlets into the existing detention area. There are also two 8" diameter pipes that collect stormwater from this area and they also outlet to the detention area.

PROPOSED CONDITIONS

The proposed building will eliminate the need for the two 8" diameter pipe connections and these will be abandoned. The existing catch basin will remain to collect any stormwater on the pavement south of the building. The stormwater from the roof of the proposed addition will be collected and roof leaders will connect to the existing storm piped systems at the north and south of the building, in the same manner as the paved area drains.

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The area of the proposed building roof (and the existing bituminous pavement) = 36,900 SF. The 10

Year Peak Flow is:

Area = 0.847 acres;

C = 0.9;

TC=5 min.;

I10 (NOAA) = 7.50

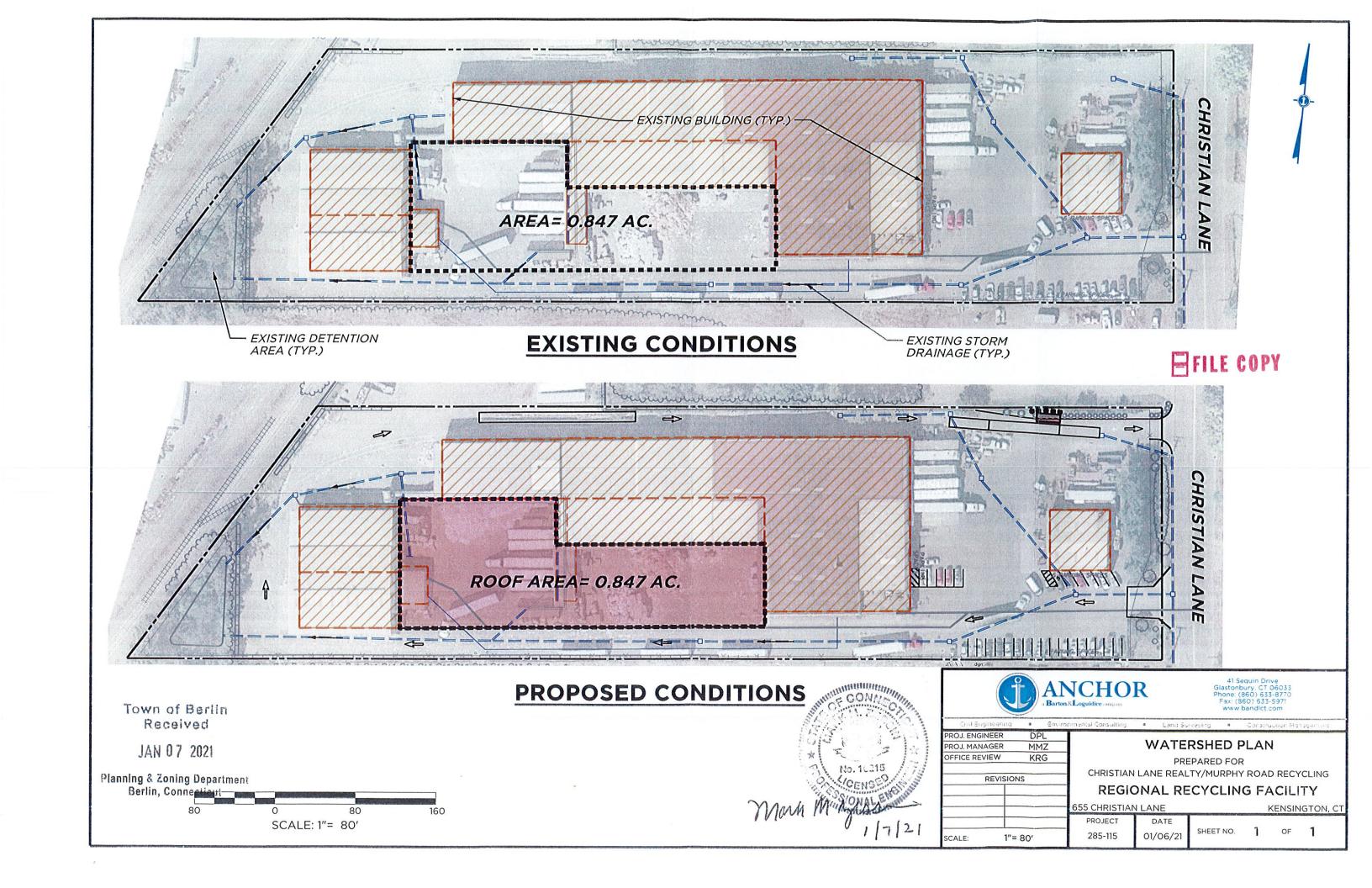
 $Q10 = 0.847 \times 0.90 \times 7.50 = 5.7 \text{ CFS}$

The existing storm drainage pipes on the site currently carry this flow and are adequate.

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February 3, 2021 Updated February 4, 2021 (Fire Marshal) **Updated February 9, 2021 (Health District)**

TOWN OF BERLIN PLANNING & ZONING DEPARTMENT - STAFF COMMENTS

APPLICATION:

Site Plan Amendment

APPLICANT:

Murphy Road Recycling

LOCATION:

655 Christian Lane

AGENDA:

February 18, 2021

To the Applicant:

• These are the comments received to date, additional comments may be forthcoming. Please submit any written response to Maureen Giusti, Acting Town Planner/Zoning Enforcement Officer at mgiusti@town.berlin.ct.us or revised plans directly to the Planning & Zoning Department in Room 121. We will forward your comments or distribute materials to the relevant department.

Inland Wetlands

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Board of Police Commissioners

No comment

Police Chief

No comment

Building Official

• Proper structural plans including M.E.P's with approvals – approved third party inspections will be required.

Berlin Water Control

No comment

Fire Marshal

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Health District

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E-mailed to Applicant:

February 9, 2021