

PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING AGENDA TUESDAY OCTOBER 17, 2023

7:30 PM REGULAR MEETING

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Roll Call
- 3. Approval of Minutes:
 - a. August 29, 2023, Planning Commission Meeting Minutes.
 - b. September 19, 2023, City Council Meeting Minutes (For Information Only)
- 4. <u>PUBLIC HEARING:</u> Peter Bullemer (Applicant/Owner) is requesting the following action for the property located at 3375 Lake Haughey Road (PID No.s 08-118-24-33-0007 and 08-118-24-33-0008) in the City of Independence, MN:
 - a. A minor subdivision to allow a lot combination which would combine the two properties into one property.
- 5. (TO BE CONTINUED TO NOVEMBER PC MEETING) PUBLIC

<u>HEARING:</u> Peter Johnson (Applicant/Owner) is requesting the following actions for the property located at 6220 CSAH 11 (PID No. 02-118-24-32-0001) in the City of Independence, MN:

- a. A minor subdivision to allow a lot split which would create a new eight (8) acre parcel on the north side of the existing creek and would be accessed via Stephanie Way.
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Visitors: See Sign-In Sheet:

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Navs: None. Absent: Thompson.

Abstain: None.

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Ayes: Gardner, Dumas, Volkenant, Tearse, and Usset.

Navs: None.

Absent: Story and Thompson.

Abstain: None.

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Sept 19th council

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City of Independence

Request for a Minor Subdivision to Allow a Lot Combination for the Properties located at 3375 Lake Haughey Road

To: | Planning Commission

From: | Mark Kaltsas, City Planner

Meeting Date: October 17, 2023

Applicants: | Peter Bullemer

Owners: Peter Bullemer

Location: 3375 Lake Haughey Road

Request:

Peter Bullemer (Applicant/Owner) is requesting the following action for the property located at 3375 Lake Haughey Road (PID No.s 08-118- 24-33-0007 and 08-118-24-33-0008) in the City of Independence, MN:

a. A minor subdivision to allow a lot combination which would combine the two properties into one property.

Property/Site Information:

The subject properties are located along the west side of Lake Haughey Road near the southwest corner of Lake Haughey and just north of Hwy 12. The north property has an existing house, and the south property is vacant. The properties are heavily wooded, and both have lake frontage on Lake Haughey. The properties have the following site characteristics:

Property Information: 3375 Lake Haughey Road and PID No. 08-118- 24-33-0007

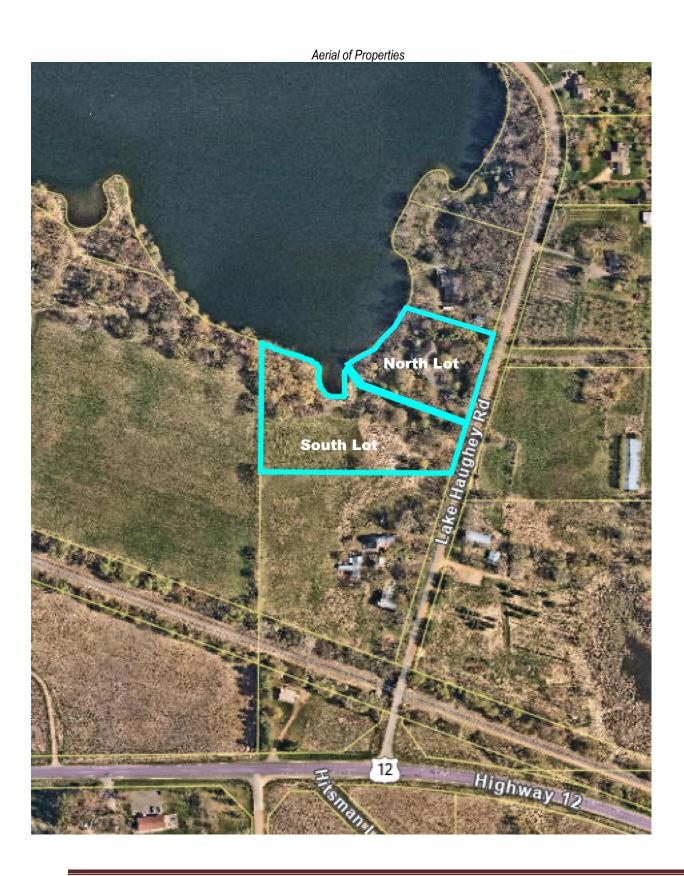
Zoning: AG-Agriculture

Comprehensive Plan: AG-Agriculture

Acreage (Before): PID No. 08-118- 24-33-0007 - 4.07 acres

PID No. 08-118- 24-33-0008 - 2.28 acres

Acreage (After): 6.35 acres



Discussion:

The applicant approached the City about the possibility of combining the two properties into one property earlier this year. The City noted that the combination of properties would be permitted and advised the applicant of the process. The applicant has prepared a survey showing the individual and combined properties.

There are several items that should be noted by the City during consideration of the application:

- 1. Both properties have mature tree coverage and lake frontage on Lake Haughey.
- 2. There is an existing home located on the north lot. The existing home meets all applicable setback requirements in the before and after conditions. The proposed lot combination does create any non-conformities.
- 3. Based on the current zoning standards for AG Agriculture properties, this property could not be subdivided again following the combination. The minimum lot size in the AG-Agriculture zoning district required in order for subdivision to be considered is 40 acres.
- 4. The applicant will be required to dedicate the requisite 10' drainage and utility easements and execute all applicable documents.
- 5. There are a variety of lot sizes on Lake Haughey Road and the proposed larger lot realized as a result of the combination does not appear to change, alter or be out of context with the surrounding area.

The proposed subdivision to allow a lot combination appears to meet all applicable standards of the City's zoning and subdivision ordinance. The combined lot will fit into the surrounding area and should have minimal impacts on the surrounding properties.

Neighbor Comments:

The City has not received any written comments regarding the proposed subdivision.

Recommendation:

Staff is seeking a recommendation from the Planning Commission for the requested minor subdivision with the following findings:

1. The proposed minor subdivision to allow a lot combination meets all applicable criteria and conditions stated in Chapter V, Section 500, Planning and Land Use Regulations of the City of Independence Zoning Ordinance.

- 2. The Applicant shall pay for all costs associated with the City's review of the requested minor subdivision.
- 3. The Applicant shall record the subdivision and City Council Resolution with the county within six (6) months of approval.
- 4. The Applicant shall execute and record the requisite drainage and utility easements with the county within six (6) months of approval.

Attachments:

- 1. Application
- 2. Survey with Before and After



Applicant Information Owner Information

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Name: Peter Thomas Bullemer Name: Peter Thomas Bullemer

Address: 3375 Lake Haughey Road Address: 3375 Lake Haughey Road

Independence, Minnesota Independence, Minnesota

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Primary Phone: 7632265884 Primary Phone: 7632265884

Secondary Phone: 7632265884 Secondary Phone: 7632265884

Email: pfbullemer@gmail.com Email: pfbullemer@gmail.com

Property Address:

PID:

Planning Application Type: Subdivision

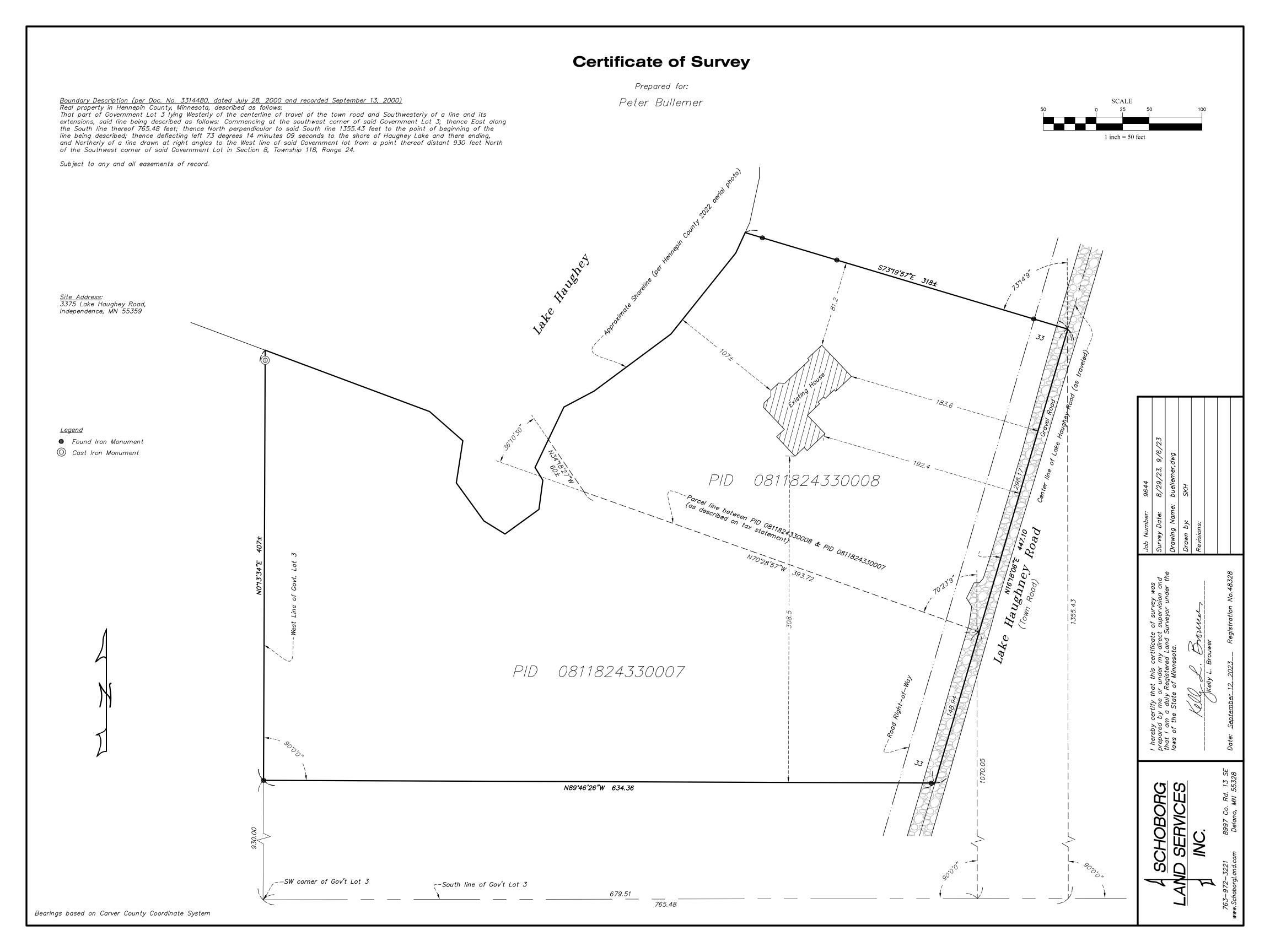
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Subdivision Type: Lot Line Rearrangement

Description:

Supporting Documents: Site Survey (Existing Conditions)

Signature:



City of Independence

Request for a Minor Subdivision to Allow a Lot Combination for Properties Located at 1985 and 1989 County Road 90

To: | Planning Commission

From: | Mark Kaltsas, City Planner

Meeting Date: October 17, 2023

Applicant: | Sam's Landscape, Inc.

Owner: 1985 Co Rd 90 LLC

Location: 1985 and 1989 County Road 90

Request:

Sam Vandeputte (Applicant) and 1985 Co Rd 90 Llc (Owner) is requesting the following action for the properties located at 1985 and 1989 County Road 90 (PID No.s 22-118-24-41-0005 and 22-118-24-41-0001) in the City of Independence, MN:

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Property/Site Information:

The properties are located on the west side of CSAH 90 just north of the intersection of County Road 90 and Highway 12. The properties are currently vacant. There are two wetlands on the properties and existing trees located on the north side of both properties. The property has the following characteristics:

Property Information: 1985 and 1989 County Road 90

Zoning: CLI - Commercial Light Industrial

Comprehensive Plan: Commercial Light Industrial

Acreage: 7.56 acres



Discussion:

In 2018, the City approved a site plan allowing for the commercial development of this property. During the City's review of the site plan, it was noted that there were two properties that would have to be combined and a condition was added to the approval. The owner has begun the site development and is now in a position to combine the two lots.

The combination of the two properties is in keeping with previously approved site plan. It will also allow the requisite drainage and utility easements to be recorded in accordance with the conditions for approval. The City did not find any potential issues relating to the proposed combination. The combination is required in order to allow the proposed development of the property.

Neighbor Comments:

The City has not received any written or verbal comments regarding the proposed site plan review and conditional use permit.

Recommendation:

Staff is seeking a recommendation from the Planning Commission for the requested minor subdivision to allow a lot combination. Should the Planning Commission recommend approval to the City Council, the following findings and conditions should be considered:

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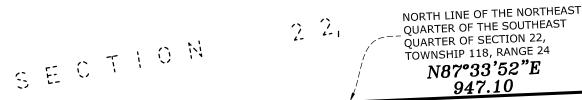
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PARCEL SKETCH AND DESCRIPTION

~for~ 1985 COUNTY ROAD 90, LLC ~of~ 1985 COUNTY ROAD NO. 90,

INDEPENDENCE, MINNESOTA



NORTH

1 INCH = 100FEET

EXISTING PARCEL DESCRIPTIONS

(Per Hennepin County Tax Records)

Parcel 1: (PID: 22-118-24-41-0005)

That part of the Northeast 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 22, Township 118, Range 24, Hennepin County, Minnesota, lying Northeasterly of a line drawn from a point on the East line thereof, distant 696.47 feet South from the Northeast corner thereof, to a point on the North line thereof, distant 947.10 feet West from said Northeast corner, EXCEPT the East 112.00 feet of the North 416.00 feet thereof.

Parcel 2: (PID: 22-118-24-41-0001)

The East 112.00 feet of the North 416.00 feet of the Southeast Quarter of Section 22, Township 118, Range 24, Hennepin County, Minnesota.

PROPOSED PARCEL DESCRIPTION

That part of the Northeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of Section 22, Township 118, Range 24, Hennepin County, Minnesota, lying Northeasterly of a line drawn from a point on the East line of said Northeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter, distant 696.47 feet South from the Northeast corner of said Northeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter, to a point on the North line of said Northeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter, distant 947.10 feet West from said Northeast corner.

I hereby certify that this survey, plan or report was prepared by me or under my direct supervision and that I am a duly Registered Land Surveyor under the laws of the State of Minnesota.

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I COUNTY ROAD NO. 90 SOUTHEAST OUARTER 8, 1 OWNSHI SOUTH LINE OF THE NORTH 416.00 FEET OF THE SOUTHEAST-QUARTER OF SECTION 22, TOWNSHIP 118, RANGE 24 **NOTES** For the purposes of this exhibit, no field work has been performed by E.G. Rud and Sons. Bearings shown are on Hennepin County 33 50 Coordinate System. RANGE GRAPHIC SCALE 200 . RUD & SONS. **Professional Land Surveyors**

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