Gwinnett County Planning Division Rezoning Application Last Updated 12/2015

REZONING APPLICATION

AN APPLICATION TO AMEND THE OFFICIAL ZONING MAP OF GWINNETT COUNTY, GA.

APPLICANT INFORMATION	PROPERTY OWNER INFORMATION*			
NAME: 27th Group Properties, LLC c/o Andersen, Tate & Carr, P.C.	NAME:			
ADDRESS:	ADDRESS:			
CITY: Duluth	CITY:			
STATE:ZIP:	STATE:ZIP:			
PHONE:	PHONE:			
CONTACT PERSON: Shaun R. Adams, Esq.	PHONE:			
CONTACT'S E-MAIL:				
	NT IS THE: NER CONTRACT PURCHASER			
PRESENT ZONING DISTRICTS(S):REQ	UESTED ZONING DISTRICT:			
PARCEL NUMBER(S): ACREAGE:				
ADDRESS OF PROPERTY:				
PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT:	e with fuel pumps			
RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT	NON-RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT			
No. of Lots/Dwelling Units	No. of Buildings/Lots:			
Dwelling Unit Size (Sq. Ft.):	Total Building Sq. Ft.			
Gross Density:	Density:			
Net Density:				

PLEASE ATTACH A LETTER OF INTENT EXPLAINING WHAT IS PROPOSED

Legal Description

All that tract or parcel of land lying and being in Land Lot 169 of the 6th Land District, Gwinnett County, Georgia and being more particularly described as follows:

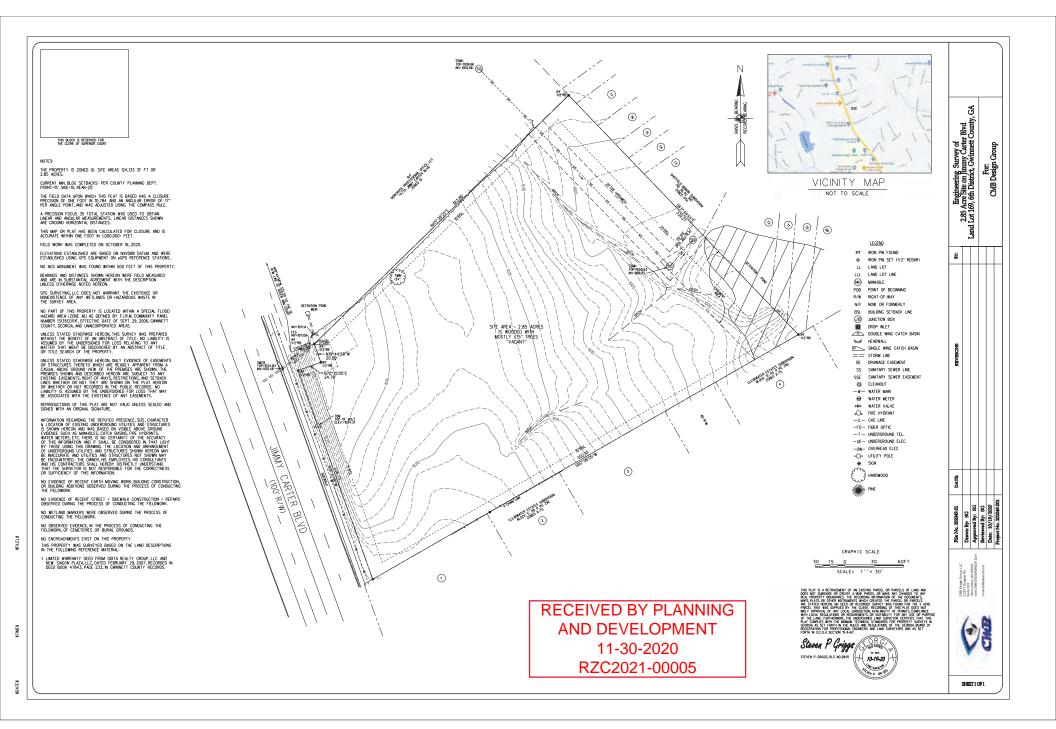
BEGINNING at the intersection of the southeasterly right-of-way line of Jimmy Carter Boulevard (100' r/w) and the southeasterly right-of-way line of Queen Anne Court (50' r/w), thence along said right-of-way line of Jimmy Carter Boulevard, S 19°44'58" E, a distance of 332.55 feet to a point, thence N 70°15'05" E, a distance of 25.00 feet to a ½" rebar found, said point being the **TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING**;

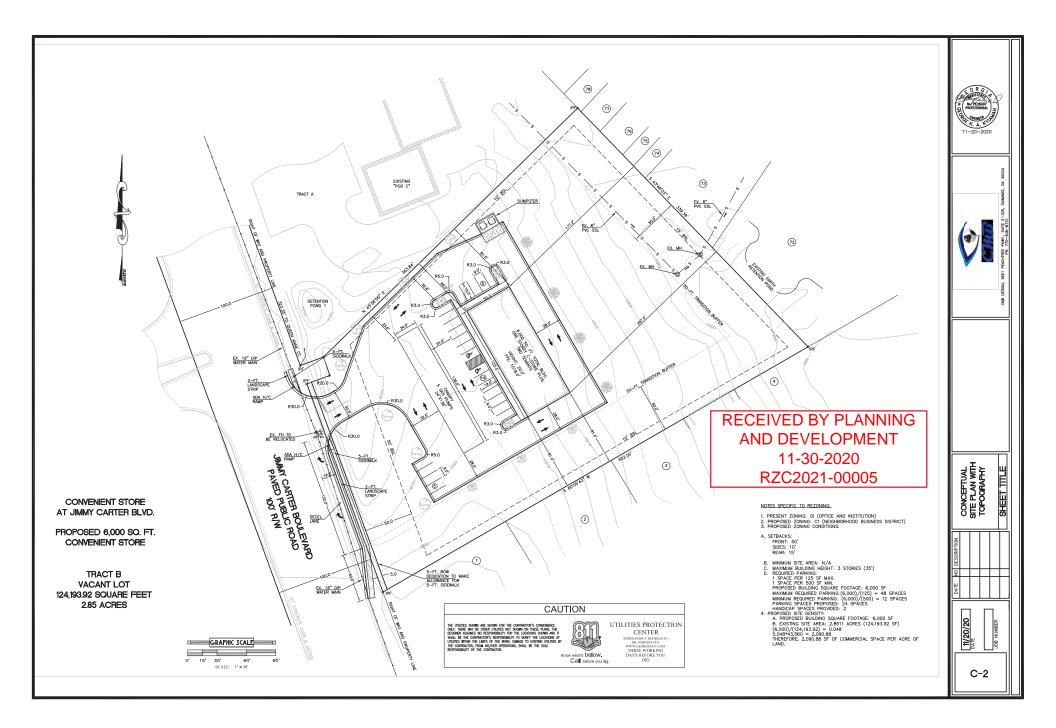
thence N 45°39'20" E, a distance of 363.86 feet to a ½" rebar found, thence S 43°49'45" E, a distance of 339.21 feet to a ½" rebar found, thence S 60°06'05" W, a distance of 502.10 feet to a point on said right-of-way line of Jimmy Carter Boulevard, thence along said right-of-way line, N 19°41'18" W, a distance of 226.73 feet to a ½" rebar found, thence N 70°15'05" E, a distance of 24.76 feet to a ½" rebar found, thence N 19°44'58" W, a distance of 20.00 feet to a point, and the **TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING**;

Said property contains 2.85 acres, more or less and more particularly shown on that drawing labeled "Engineering Survey of 2.85 Acre Site on Jimmy Carter Blvd", for CMB Design Group, prepared by SPG Surveying, LLC, dated October 19, 2020.



Jimmy Carter Blvd Legal Description.docx





REZONING APPLICANT 27TH GROUP, INC'S RESPONSE TO STANDARDS GOVERNING THE EXERCISE OF ZONING POWER

A) WHETHER A PROPOSED REZONING WILL PERMIT A USE THAT IS SUITABLE IN VIEW OF THE USE AND DEVELOPMENT OF ADJACENT AND NEARBY PROPERTY:

Approval of the proposed rezoning will permit a use that is suitable in view of the use and development of adjacent and nearby property. The Subject Property is adjacent to additional land zoned for commercial and office including O-I, C-1, and C-2. The Subject Property is located on the north side of Jimmy Carter Blvd with convenient access to I-85.

B) WHETHER A PROPOSED REZONING WILL ADVERSELY AFFECT THE EXISTING USE OR USEABILITY OF ADJACENT OR NEARBY PROPERTY:

Approval of the proposed rezoning will not adversely affect the existing use or usability of adjacent or nearby properties. Rather the proposed development would complement surrounding land uses by providing an additional neighborhood serving business to the immediate area.

C) WHETHER THE PROPERTY TO BE AFFECTED BY A PROPOSED REZONING HAS REASONABLE ECONOMIC USE AS CURRENTLY ZONED:

The Applicant submits that due to the size, location, layout and dimensions of the Subject Property, it does not have reasonable economic use as currently zoned.

D) WHETHER THE PROPOSED REZONING WILL RESULT IN A USE WHICH WILL OR COULD CAUSE AN EXCESSIVE OR BURDENSOME USE OF EXISTING STREETS, TRANSPORTATION FACILITIES, UTILITIES, OR SCHOOLS:

Approval of the proposed rezoning will not result in an excessive or burdensome use of the existing streets, transportation facilities, utilities, or schools. Jimmy Carter Blvd is a state road running east/west through Gwinnett County with convenient access to Interstate 85. The Subject Property also has access to necessary utilities.

E) WHETHER THE PROPOSED REZONING IS IN CONFORMITY WITH THE POLICY AND INTENT OF THE LAND USE PLAN:

The proposed rezoning is in conformity with the policy and intent of the 2040 Plan. The subject property is designated as within the Community Mixed-Use Character Area on the 2040 Plan Future Development Map. Encouraged land uses for this character area specifically include commercial and retail along major corridors such as Jimmy Carter Blvd. The Subject Property is located adjacent to properties currently zoned O-I, C-1, and C-2 with similar uses.

F) WHETHER THERE ARE OTHER EXISTING OR CHANGING CONDITIONS AFFECTING THE USE AND DEVELOPMENT OF THE PROPERTY WHICH GIVE SUPPORTING GROUNDS FOR EITHER THE APPROVAL OR DISAPPROVAL OF THE ZONING PROPOSAL:

Yes. The Community Mixed-Use Character Area in the 2040 Plan encourages the development of neighborhood serving commercial and commercial uses along major corridors such as Jimmy Carter Blvd. Therefore, the proposed rezoning is entirely appropriate for the Subject Property in light of the emerging needs for Gwinnett citizens and the current land uses in the surrounding area.

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November 23, 2020

<u>VIA HAND DELIVERY</u> Gwinnett County Board of Commissioners Attn: Director of Planning and Development 446 West Crogan Street Lawrenceville, GA 30046-2440

RE: LETTER OF INTENT FOR 27TH GROUP PROPERTIES, LLC, (4773 JIMMY CARTER BLVD, NORCROSS, GA; PARCEL R6169 008A)

Dear Board of Commissioners, Planning Commission and Planning Staff:

Andersen, Tate & Carr, P.C. submits this Letter of Intent and attached Rezoning Application ("Application") on behalf of the Applicant, 27th Group Properties, LLC (the "Applicant") for the purpose of requesting a rezoning from O-I to C-1 on approximately 2.85 acres located along the north side of Jimmy Carter Blvd between Wintergreen Road and Meadowbrook Drive (the "Subject Property"). The Tax Parcel ID for the Subject Property is R6169 008A.

The Applicant intends to develop the Subject Property as a neighborhood serving convenience store with fuel pumps. The rezoning of the Subject Property will activate a dormant site and allow for a quality commercial development that will service the surrounding community in accordance with the 2040 Comprehensive Plan. The proposed development will consist of five (5) gas pumps under a single canopy and one multi-tenant building totaling approximately 6,000 square feet. One space will be reserved for the convenience store and the remaining tenant spaces will be intended for use as permitted within the C-1 zoning district.

The proposed development maintains the buffer and setbacks around the property as required by the Gwinnett County Unified Development Ordinance ("UDO"), including a minimum 50-foot privacy buffer along the eastern and northern property lines. Additionally, the building is proposed to be set 177-feet from the closest corner of the building to the rear property line, allowing for ample privacy and screening from the townhome community to the rear. The proposed location is centrally located along Jimmy Carter Blvd between two major commercial nodes and surrounded by a range of other commercial properties including O-I, C-1, and C-2. The Subject Property is across the street from existing automotive uses including a gas station, auto repair and tire store with additional automotive uses in close proximity along the Jimmy Carter Corridor. Moreover, approval of the proposed development would make it the only gas station on the north side of Jimmy Carter Blvd (westbound travel lanes) in a 3.5-mile span between Lawrenceville Highway and I-85. The site has direct access onto Jimmy Carter Blvd,

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and the requested rezoning will provide ample parking and circulation, in compliance with Gwinnett County transportation requirements. The property has access to a public water supply, public sanitary sewer, and convenient direct access to collector streets, major thoroughfares and state and interstate highways.

The proposed convenience store with fuel pumps will provide a needed neighborhood serving commercial use along the westbound travel side of Jimmy Carter Blvd which connects parts of Norcross and Tucker to I-85. The rezoning will have no adverse impacts on surrounding properties, and the development is entirely suitable and even complementary to the other land uses in the area. This request is entirely appropriate and consistent with other uses on similarly situated properties along this section of Jimmy Carter Blvd. Moreover, the 2040 Comprehensive Plan places the Subject Property within the Community Mixed-Use Character Area which calls for a range of intensity in commercial uses, including shopping plazas, that integrate high quality aesthetics and site design.

This proposed location will provide a quality, retail and convenience store option to patrons in that area. The Applicant submits the Rezoning Application and supporting exhibits in further support of this rezoning request. The Applicant and its representatives welcome the opportunity to meet with County officials and Staff to answer any questions. The Applicant respectfully requests your approval of this Application.

Respectfully submitted,

ANDERSEN, TATE & CARR, P.C.

Shaun R. Adams Attorney for Applicant

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November 5, 2020

VIA HAND DELIVERY

Gwinnett County Attn: Kathy Holland, Director of Planning and Development 446 West Crogan Street Lawrenceville, Ga 30046

RE: JUSTIFICATION FOR REZONING FOR 27th GROUP, INC. (4773 JIMMY CARTER BLVD, NORCROSS, GEORGIA)

Dear Chairman and Commissioners:

This letter is written on behalf of 27TH Group, Inc. (the "Applicant"), in connection with the rezoning application for property located at 4773 Jimmy Carter Blvd, Norcross, Georgia, (the "Subject Property").

Constitutional Objections

The portions of the Gwinnett County Unified Development Ordinance, as amended, (the "UDO") which classify or may classify the Subject Property which is the subject of the rezoning application into any more or less intensive zoning classification, development and/or conditions other than as requested by the Applicant are, and would be, unconstitutional in that they would destroy the Applicant's property rights without first paying fair, adequate and just compensation for such rights, in violation of Article I, Section I, Paragraph II of the Constitution of the State of Georgia of 1983, the Due Process Clause of the Fourteenth Amendment to the Constitution of the United States.

The application of the UDO, as applied to the Subject Property, which restricts its use to the present zoning classification, is unconstitutional, illegal, null and void, constituting a taking of the Applicant's property in violation of the Just Compensation Clause of the Fifth Amendment and the Due Process Clause of the Fourteenth Amendment to the Constitution of the United States, Article I, Section I, Paragraphs I and II of the Constitution of the State of Georgia of 1983, and the Equal Protection Clause of the Fourteenth Amendment to the Constitution of the United States denying the Applicant any economically viable use of the Subject Property while not substantially advancing legitimate state interests. Under *Lathrop v. Deal*, the application of the UDO in a way that constitutes a taking shall be deemed a waiver of sovereign immunity.¹

The Subject Property is presently suitable for development under the C-1 classification as requested by the Applicant and is not economically suitable for development under its present O-

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¹ Lathrop v. Deal, 301 Ga 408, 880-881 S.E. 2d 867 (2017)

I zoning classification of Gwinnett County. A denial of the requested rezoning would constitute an arbitrary and capricious act by the Gwinnett County Board of Commissioners without any rational basis therefore, constituting an abuse of discretion in violation of Article I, Section I, Paragraphs I and II of the Constitution of the State of Georgia of 1983 and the Due Process Clause of the Fourteenth Amendment to the Constitution of the United States.

A refusal by the Gwinnett County Board of Commissioners to rezone the Subject Property to C-1 zoning classification, with only such additional conditions as agreed to by the Applicant, so as to permit the only feasible economic use of the Subject Property, would be unconstitutional and discriminate in an arbitrary, capricious and unreasonable manner between the Applicant and owners of similarly situated property in violation of Article I, Section I, Paragraph II of the Constitution of the State of Georgia of 1983 and the Equal Protection Clause of the Fourteenth Amendment to the Constitution.

Any rezoning of the Subject Property to the C-1 classification, subject to conditions which are different from the requested conditions by which the Applicant may amend its application, to the extent such different conditions would have the effect of further restricting the Applicant's utilization of the Subject Property, would also constitute an arbitrary, capricious and discriminatory act in zoning the Subject Property to an unconstitutional classification and would likewise violate each of the provisions of the State and Federal Constitutions as set forth hereinabove.

Accordingly, the Applicant respectfully requests that the rezoning application submitted by the Applicant relative to the Subject Property be granted and that the Subject Property be rezoned to the zoning classification as shown on the respective application.

Respectfully,

ANDERSEN, TATE & CARR, P.C.

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Shaun R. Adams

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REZONING APPLICANT'S CERTIFICATION

THE UNDERSIGNED BELOW IS AUTHORIZED TO MAKE THIS APPLICATION. THE UNDERSIGNED IS AWARE THAT NO APPLICATION OR REAPPLICATION AFFECTING THE SAME LAND SHALL BE ACTED UPON WITHIN I2 MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF LAST ACTION BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS UNLESS WAIVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS. IN NO CASE SHALL AN APPLICATION OR REAPPLICATION BE ACTED UPON IN LESS THAN SIX (6) MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF LAST ACTION BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS.

11/2/2020 Signature of Applicant Date

Anil Damani, President

Type or Print Name and Title

ALAMIN SAYANI NOTARY PUBLIC GWINNETT COUNTY State of Georgia My Comm. Expires AUGUST 18, 2024 02/202 Signature of Notary Public Date Notary Seal personally known

REZONING PROPERTY OWNER'S CERTIFICATION

THE UNDERSIGNED BELOW, OR AS ATTACHED, IS THE OWNER OF THE PROPERTY CONSIDERED IN THIS APPLICATION. THE UNDERSIGNED IS AWARE THAT NO APPLICATION OR REAPPLICATION AFFECTING THE SAME LAND SHALL BE ACTED UPON WITHIN 12 MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF LAST ACTION BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS UNLESS WAIVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS. IN NO CASE SHALL AN APPLICATION OR REAPPLICATION BE ACTED UPON IN LESS THAN SIX (6) MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF LAST ACTION BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS.

Signature of Property Owner

11/2/2020 Date

Type or Print Name and Title

Carlo .	11/02/2020	ALAMIN SAYANI NOTARY PUBLIC
Signature of Morary Public	Date	My Comm. Expires AUGUST 18, 2024
10# : GA DL 052913.127		
Exp#: 02/08/2021		

CONFLICT OF INTEREST CERTIFICATION FOR REZONING

The undersigned below, making application for a Rezoning, has complied with the Official Code of Georgia Section 36-67A-1, et. seq, <u>Conflict of Interest in Zoning Actions</u>, and has submitted or attached the required information on the forms provided.

Anil Damani, President			
TYPE OR PRINT NAME AND TITLE			
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ALAMIN SAYANI NOTARY PUBLIC GWINNETT COUNTY State of Georgia My CommNECTICA RAUGEAT 18, 2024			

Have you, within the two years immediately preceding the filing of this application, made campaign contributions aggregating \$250.00 or more to a member of the Board of Commissioners or a member of the Gwinnett County Planning Commission?

YES

X

NO 27th Group Properties, LLC

YOUR NAME

If the answer is yes, please complete the following section:

NAME AND OFFICAL POSITION OF GOVERNMENT OFFICIAL	CONTRIBUTIONS (List all which aggregate to \$250 or More)	DATE CONTRIBUTION WAS MADE (Within last two years)		

Attach additional sheets if necessary to disclose or describe all contributions.

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DATE

SIGNATURE OF APPLY AND Owner DATE

TYPE OR PRINT NAME AND TITLE

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT'S ATTORNEY OR REPRESENTATIVE

ellof 11/06/2020 OF NOTARY PUBLIC

TYPE OR PRINT NAME AND TITLE

MARY REEVES NOTARY PUBLIC Gwinnett County, Georgia My Commission Expires 6/5/2024 NOTARY SEAL

DISCLOSURE OF CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTIONS

Have you, within the two years immediately preceding the filing of this application, made campaign contributions aggregating \$250.00 or more to a member of the Board of Commissioners or a member of the Gwinnett County Planning Commission?

YES

New Saigon Plaza, LLC

YOUR NAME

If the answer is yes, please complete the following section:

NAME AND OFFICAL	CONTRIBUTIONS	DATE CONTRIBUTION		
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SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT	DATE	TYPE OR PRINT NAME AND TITLE
SIL	11/5/2020	Shaun R. Adams, Attorney for Applicant
SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT'S	DATE	PRINT NAME AND TITLE
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YES

NO

Andersen, Tate & Carr, P.C.

YOUR NAME

If the answer is yes, please complete the following section:

GOVERNMENT OFFICIAL	ist all which aggregate to \$250 or More)	DATE CONTRIBUTION WAS MADE (Within last two years)			
Nicole Love Hendricksor -	\$1,000	9/30/2020			
Commissioner Elect					

Attach additional sheets if necessary to disclose or describe all contributions.

VERIFICATION OF CURRENT PAID PROPERTY TAXES FOR REZONING

THE UNDERSIGNED BELOW IS AUTHORIZED TO MAKE THIS APPLICATION. THE UNDERSIGNED CERTIFIES THAT ALL GWINNETT COUNTY PROPERTY TAXES BILLED TO DATE FOR THE PARCEL LISTED BELOW HAVE BEEN PAID IN FULL TO THE TAX COMMISSIONER OF GWINNETT COUNTY, GEORGIA. IN NO CASE SHALL AN APPLICATION OR REAPPLICATION FOR REZONING BE PROCESSED WITHOUT SUCH PROPERTY VERIFICATION.

*<u>Note</u>: A SEPARATE VERIFICATION FORM MUST BE COMPLETED FOR EACH TAX PARCEL INCLUDED IN THE REZONING REQUEST.

PARCEL I.D. NUMBER:	R6	-	169	-	A800	
(Map Reference Number)	District		Land Lot		Parcel	
* F			11/3	2/20	20	
Signature of Applicant					Date	
Anil Damani, President	an a					
Type or Print Name and Title						

PLEASE TAKE THIS FORM TO THE TAX COMMISSIONERS OFFICE AT THE GWINNETT JUSTICE AND ADMINISTRATION CENTER, 75 LANGLEY DRIVE, FOR THEIR APPROVAL BELOW.

TAX COMMISSIONERS USE ONLY

(PAYMENT OF ALL PROPERTY TAXES BILLED TO DATE FOR THE ABOVE REFERENCED PARCEL HAVE BEEN VERIFIED AS PAID CURRENT AND CONFIRMED BY THE SIGNATURE BELOW)

TITLE NAME are no deling 2020 property DATE 12/01/2020











