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Subject: **34th Street Townhouses – Majdi S. Omar
211-235 West 34th Street
DSRFY2023-0009
Tax Parcels R2734531120 & R2734531110
Land Area = 0375 Acres**

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On behalf of Garden City, as the city engineer, we have completed a review of the application for the subject project. This project is a single four-plex residential development.

Any approval of the project should be conditioned upon successfully addressing items presented in this review.

Land Subdivision?

Is the project a new subdivision of land? We usually see townhouse/townhome projects as subdivisions. It appears in this case the project is a four-plex rental project. If this is the case, this review will suffice. If a new land subdivision is proposed, this review will not be adequate.

Ada County Highway District

Approval of the project by the Ada County Highway District will be required.

Fire District Approval

Approval of the project by the North Ada County Fire and Rescue District will be required. Should fire flow requirements exceed those available, the land use, improvement of off-site city water lines or other efforts may be necessary to obtain approval of plans. We note that a “will serve” letter has apparently not been provided for this project. **Project approval should not occur until the “will serve” letter has been completed.** We expect water flows from the city water distribution system in the area of this project will be minimal and could impact if the project would be constructed or require notable upgrades to the water distribution system.

The review by the District will need to include review of locations of fire hydrants.

Water and Sewer Connections

New water and sewer services must be reviewed and approved by the city’s Public Works Department.

The applicant is responsible to verify that adequate water system supply is available to provide any fire suppression water needs.

The applicant is responsible to confirm/verify that adequate sewer capacity is available and that the existing system depth is adequate to serve the site.

Water lines need to be at least 25 feet from storm water seepage beds.

Site Grading and Drainage Plan

A site grading and drainage plan will be required. Said plan must be reviewed and approved by the city.

A storm water design report and a drainage system operation and maintenance manual for handling of storm water prepared by an Idaho licensed design professional will be required. Compliance with the storm water ordinance and policies of the city will be required. Drainage must be maintained on-site.

A site geotechnical report will be required for the design of the on-site storm water system prepared by a qualified license professional. Said report must identify the depth to seasonal high groundwater, provide a profile of encountered soils and their infiltration rates. The report also must provide a design infiltration rate recommendation for the storm water system. The storm water design must provide for at least three feet of vertical separation between the bottom of the storm water facility and the seasonal high groundwater.

Reviewing the amount of ground to be covered by this project, we suggest careful consideration of site storm water. Groundwater depths are relatively shallow in Garden City. Handling storm water in compliance with the storm water design manual usually requires notable storm water system footprints and separation from structures.

Storm Water Operation and Management Agreement

The landowner must enter into an agreement with the city that will be recorded addressing mandatory maintenance of the site's storm water system. The agreement must be fully executed, have conditionally approved plans attached and be recorded by the city with final plan approval.

FEMA Flood Maps

The applicant should review the original FEMA work maps (not the current adopted maps) as the city has been placed in seclusion. The current maps (June 2020) do not display the possible future risk of the flooding potential of the Boise River. If the lowest floor building elevation is below the draft map BFE, a Flood Risk Acknowledgement form may be required from the landowner/developer.

We have no other comments regarding this request at this time.