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CITY OF NEW BEDFORD Jonathan F. Mitchell, Mayor

March 19, 2019

Mr. Richard Rheaume, P.E. Prime Engineering, Inc. 350 Bedford Street, Suite No. 2 Lakeville, Massachusetts 02347

Subject:

Waiver of Stormwater Regulation Requirements Union Street – Map 53 Lots 40, 41, 215 and 216

Dear Mr. Rheaume:

The City of New Bedford (City) Department of Public Infrastructure (DPI) has reviewed the submitted design drawings for improvements to Map 53 Lots 40, 41, 215 and 216. The existing site consists of multiple buildings and a bituminous concrete parking lot. The site is bounded by bluestone, concrete and brick sidewalks to the north, south and east and a building directly adjacent to the west. The proposed improvements to the site include demolition of the existing building and constructing a multiple story mixed use development that will encompass most of the site with the exception of a small parking area to the north. Approximately 2-percent of impervious area will be added to the project area.

The City's Stormwater Management Rules and Regulations require, for redevelopment projects, to address stormwater flows for 40-percent of the impervious area as defined in Paragraph 3.2.B.12.b. Following our discussion on March 18, 2019 and pursuant to your request received in writing on March 19, 2019 regarding options to address compliance with the City's SMRR, there appears to be no viable solutions to address, to the extent practicable, the requirements outlined in the SMRR.

Given these site restrictions, the DPI requests that the roof runoff be directed to the existing stormwater system in Union Street. The waiver request from Paragraph 3.2.B.12.b and 2.3.B.13 is granted. Should you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me at (508) 979-1556.

Sincerely,

Jamie Ponte Commissioner

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