ZONING COMMITTEE STAFF REPORT

1. **FILE NAME:** T. V. Eklund LLC **FILE #:** 16-037-270

2. **APPLICANT**: T. V. Eklund LLC **HEARING DATE**: June 2, 2016

3. TYPE OF APPLICATION: Rezoning

4. **LOCATION:** 476 Minnehaha Ave W, SE corner at Mackubin

5. PIN & LEGAL DESCRIPTION: 36.29.23.21.0209; Lots 46-47, Block 2, Smith's Subdivision

of Stinson's Division

6. PLANNING DISTRICT: 7 EXISTING ZONING: 11

7. **ZONING CODE REFERENCE:** § 61.801(b)

8. **STAFF REPORT DATE:** May 25, 2016 **BY:** Tony Johnson

9. **DATE RECEIVED:** May 17, 2016 **60-DAY DEADLINE FOR ACTION:** July 16, 2016

A. **PURPOSE:** Rezone lots 46-47 from VP vehicular parking to I1 light industrial.

B. **PARCEL SIZE:** 41,817 SF; VP portion of parcel is 9875 SF, with 79 feet of frontage on Minnehaha, 125 feet of frontage on Mackubin, and a 13 foot wide alley at the rear

C. EXISTING LAND USE: parking lot

D. SURROUNDING LAND USE:

North: Mixed-use Industrial and Industrial and Utility (I1)

West: One and two family dwellings (R4)

South: Single Family Dwellings (R4)

East: Multi-family dwellings (RM2)

- E. **ZONING CODE CITATION:** § 61.801(b) provides for changes to the zoning of property initiated by the property owner.
- F. **HISTORY/DISCUSSION:** The subject property has had an industrial use since at least 1967. Somewhere between 1990 and 1997 the portion of the lot which is now VP was rezoned from RM2, multi-family residential to P1, parking zoning district. In 2004 when the zoning code was updated P1 parking districts were renamed to VP vehicular parking. The most recent use of the property was a machine shop and offices for a construction business. The portion of the lot which is zoned VP was used as accessory parking for the businesses. In October of 2015 the machine shop use was discontinued and the space will now be used as offices for the impound lot. The VP, vehicular parking, portion of the lot will be used for the exterior storage of vehicles for the impound lot if that portion of the lot is rezoned to the I1, light industrial.
- G. **DISTRICT COUNCIL RECOMMENDATION:** District 7

H. FINDINGS:

1. The property in question is currently split zoned I1 light industrial and VP vehicular parking. The applicant is seeking to rezone the VP vehicular parking portion of the subject parcel to I1 in order to establish a new impound lot. An impound lot is

- considered outdoor storage, which is not a permitted in use the VP vehicular parking zoning district.
- 2. The proposed zoning is consistent with the way this area has developed. The subject property has light industrial uses, and parcels to the north and east are also light industrial. The property is currently split-zoned I1 light industrial and VP vehicular parking. Rezoning the VP portion of the parcel is consistent with the industrial character of the immediate area.
- 3. The proposed zoning is consistent with the Comprehensive Plan. The Land-Use chapter of the comprehensive plan identifies the entire parcel as being industrial and within an employment district. Strategy 2 of the land-use chapter calls for providing industrial land for jobs.
- 4. The proposed zoning is compatible with the surrounding uses. The property is currently split zoned I1 light industrial and VP vehicular parking. There are industrial uses north and east of the parcel and residential uses to the south and west of the parcel. The VP portion of the parcel is screened from the adjacent residential land uses by vegetation.
- 5. Court rulings have determined that "spot zoning" is illegal in Minnesota. Minnesota courts have stated that this term "applies to zoning changes, typically limited to small plots of land, which establish a use classification inconsistent with the surrounding uses and create an island of nonconforming use within a larger zoned property." Rezoning the VP portion of the parcel to I1 would not constitute spot zoning. The rezoning would enlarge the existing I1 zoning district on the parcel and in the immediate area.
- I. **STAFF RECOMMENDATION:** Based on the above findings, staff recommends approval of the rezoning from VP vehicular parking to I1 light industrial.



PETITION TO AMEND THE ZONING CÓDE

Department of Planning and Economic Development

Zoning Section

1400 City Hall Annex

25 West Fourth Street



Zoning Office Use Only File #: 16-037270

Fee: Tentative Hearing Date:

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APPLICANT	Property Owner T. V. EKhard LLC Address 474 W. Minne ha ha Ave. City St. Paul St. MN Zip 55703 Daytime Phone 657-774-5582
	Contact Person (if different) Troy Olson Phone 651-774-5582 Clarence Kempke
PROPERTY LOCATION	Address/Location 476 (1) Minneha ha Ave, St, Paul, M. 1.58 (4) Legal Description W 15 Ft of Lots 4 and all of Lots 46 flows 53 B/K & Current Zoning 1-1, U.P. (attach additional sheet if necessary)
TO THE HONORA	ABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL:
Pursuant to Section	on 61.800 of the Saint Paul Zoning Ordinance and to Section 462.357(5) of Minnesota Statues,
	, owner of land proposed for rezoning, hereby petitions you to
rezone the above	described property from a Vaccining zoning district to a zoning
district, for the pur	rpose of: an impound lot and any other light
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(attach additional	sheets if necessary)
Attachments as re	equired: Site Plan Consent Petition Affidavit
Subscribed and this	dd sworn to before me By: Fee owner of property

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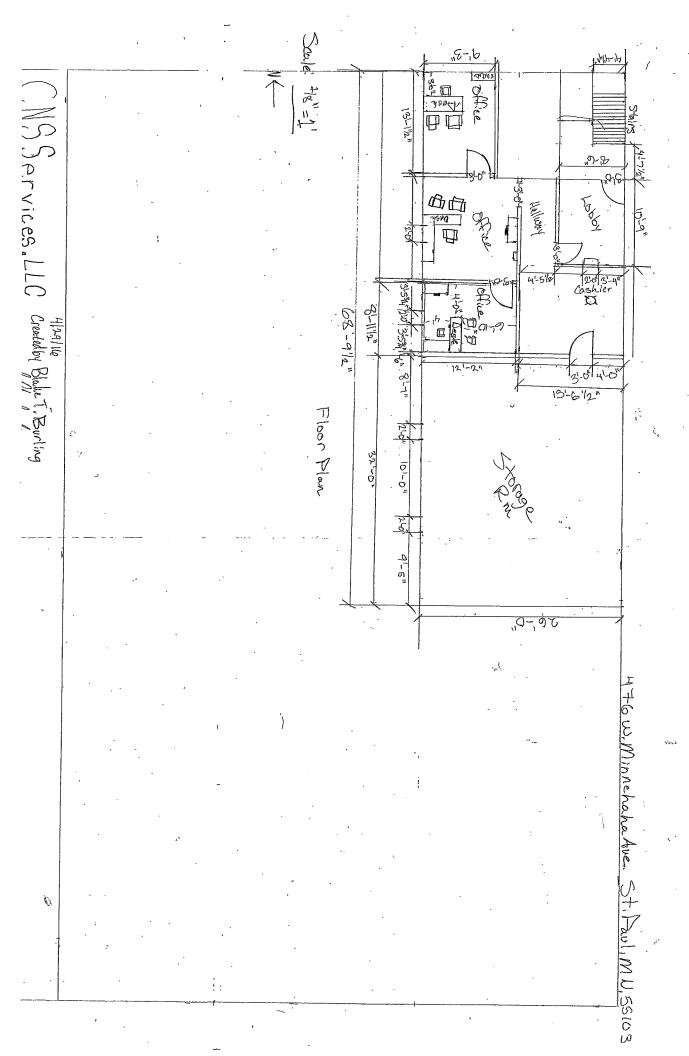
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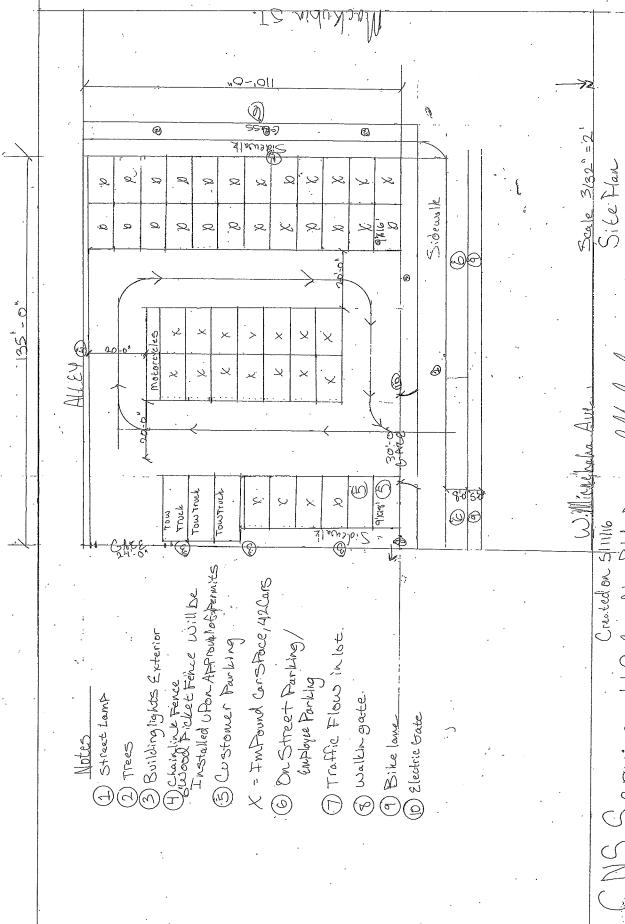
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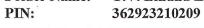
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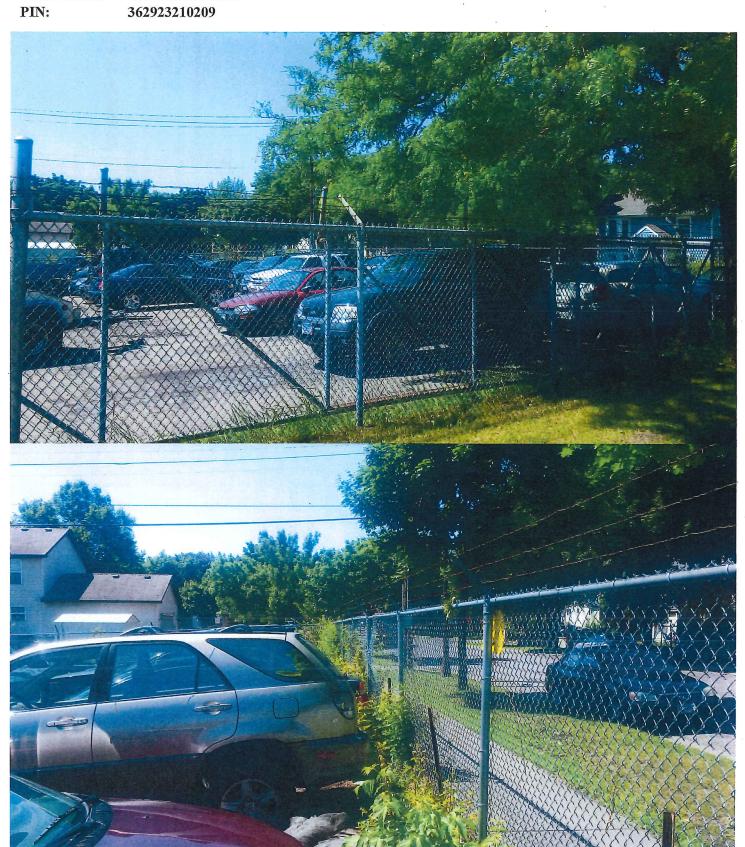


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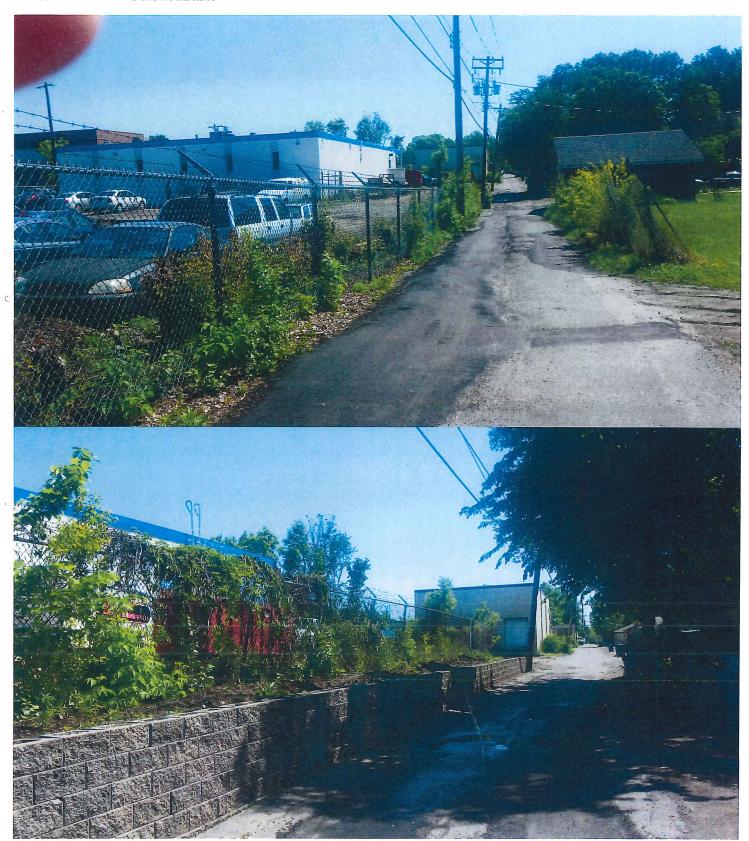


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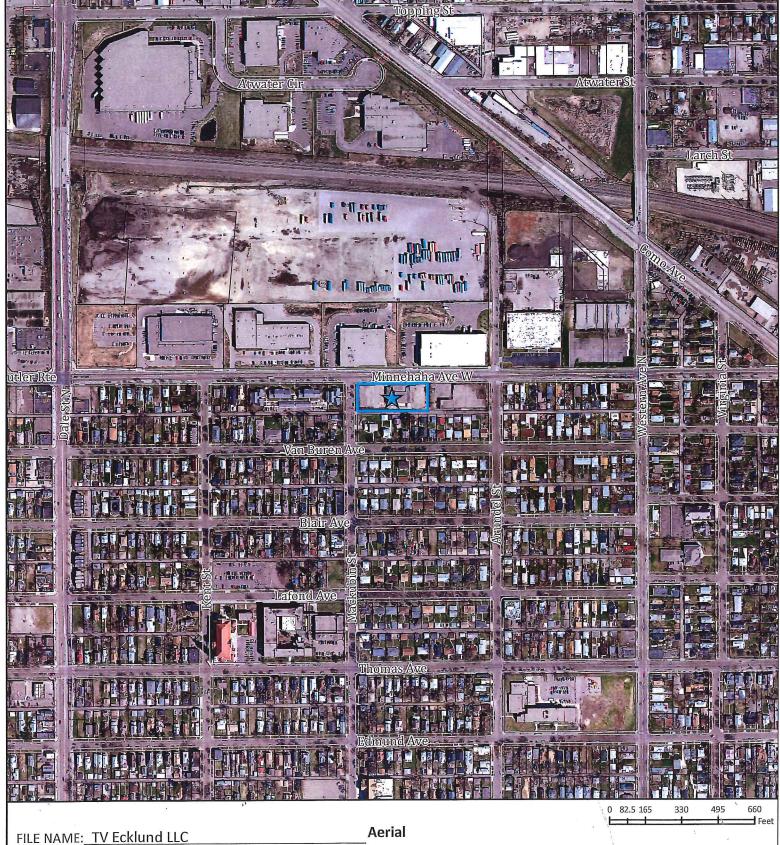
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Subject Parcels

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PLANNING DISTRICT: 7

ZONING PANEL: 9

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