

Staff Responses to Council Questions May 21, 2013

6. CONSENT AGENDA

The following two items have been removed from the Consent Agenda by Commissioner Olsen pursuant to Village Council rules:

6C. [MOT 00-05228](#) A motion awarding a contract for \$639,340 to Patnick Construction, Inc., Franklin Park, IL, for the water main loop annexed area

6D. [BID 00-05226](#) A bid awarding \$569,680.05 to A Lamp Concrete Contractors, Inc., Schaumburg, IL, for the 2013 new sidewalk installation program and right-of-way accessibility improvements

6E. [RES 00-05233](#) A resolution authorizing an intergovernmental agreement with the Illinois Department of Transportation for the 2012 Safe Routes to School Project - various locations

What is a pedway? Please describe the proposed pedways near El Sierra and Belle Aire.

The term refers to eight-foot wide asphalt paths, which were requested by the school district in these locations to make it easier to clear snow and to facilitate children walking and riding their bikes to school.

Exhibits showing the proposed locations of the paths at El Sierra and Belle Aire schools are attached. The exhibit for El Sierra school shows an alternate route which was recently requested by the school district and which we are reviewing with IDOT.

6F. [MOT 00-05234](#) A motion awarding a contract for \$26,860 to Total Parking Solutions, Inc., Downers Grove, IL, for two pay terminals

Why did the bid price come in so much lower than the budget?

The prices are lower than what was budgeted because staff elected to purchase two additional pay terminals instead of the three that were included in the budget. At this time two pay terminals should take care of the demand.

6G. [RES 00-05238](#) A resolution authorizing roadway license agreement with Commonwealth Edison Company (lift station roadway access)

Com Ed Lease - Where is this property located?

The lift station is located north of I-88 and west of Finley. A map of the area in question has been attached.

6H. [RES 00-05239](#) A resolution authorizing an agreement with the Illinois Public Works Mutual Aid Network

Has the Village ever participated in this program (providing or receiving services)?

No, the Village has not participated in this program in the past.

7. ACTIVE AGENDA

7A. [ORD 00-05227](#) An ordinance amending the Liquor Ordinance re: Entertainment restaurant facility/license

Would you please pull together a list of violations, and penalties, for all licensees, for the same period in which we reported on police call-outs to former North Beach site?

Staff is in the process of addressing this question.

7C. [ORD 00-05216](#) An ordinance authorizing a special use to permit an automobile laundry and repair shop at 946 Ogden Avenue

Can we ask that the applicant put in the minimum code-required parking in the rear (Highland Avenue) lot and provide the balance as green space acceptable to CD as it relates to best practices/mitigation of stormwater?

The petitioner was asked and declines a reduction in parking. The petitioner is upgrading the parking in the rear with 21 parking spaces when only 16 are required per Village code, and is adding green space where none is provided today. The petitioner believes 21 spaces are needed for business purposes on the rear property. Providing fewer than that may result in customers parking off site, resulting in parking shortages on other properties. Concerns were also raised about parking on the west side of the building which could restrict access via Ogden Avenue. The stormwater ordinance requirement is met with the new green space as provided.

8. FIRST READING

8A. [MOT 00-05235](#) A motion to accept update to bicycle & pedestrian plan

Please provide hard copies of the plan to the VC members.

Hard copies have been provided in the Council member boxes in the Manager's Office.

Please explain the recommendations to remove the center left hand turn lanes on Fairview and 55th. Will protected left turn bays still be provided?

The purpose of the plan is to provide long-term direction. It includes many suggested modifications to the roadway system, some minor, and some like modifying Fairview Avenue which would have significant traffic impacts. Items such as this would not be implemented without a large amount of staff review, Transportation and Parking Commission review and

discussion, and Village Council approval. If this suggestion were to be implemented it would likely involve removing the continuous left-turn lane except at major intersections (i.e. protected left hand turn lanes would be provided at major intersections).

The plan recommends prohibiting right turns on red at Fairview & 55th and Ogden & Main. Could staff quantify the impacts of these proposed turn restrictions (safety enhancements, vehicular traffic delays, etc.)?

Yes, staff would quantify the impacts of prohibiting right turns on red. This recommendation was made because of the number of bicycle and pedestrian accidents that have occurred. Staff will continue to monitor the operation of these intersections and propose improvements in the order of least impact. If staff recommends imposing turn restrictions at these intersections staff would first perform detailed studies, present the information to the Transportation and Parking Commission and then to Village Council.

8B. [ORD 00-05177](#) An ordinance providing for the issuance of general obligation bonds of the Village of Downers Grove

Why is the Council being asked to approve a parameters ordinance now?

Parameters ordinance are only valid for a specific time period. Furthermore, the parameters ordinance must be approved by the same Village Council that is seated at the time of the refunding. In order to more efficiently respond to future opportunities, the proposed ordinance has been structured to allow the Village to take advantage of any other refunding opportunities in addition to 2007 bonds that could become available before December 31, 2012.

How are the fees for bond counsel determined/calculated?

The Village conducted an RFP process for bond counsel in 2012. Ice Miller was selected to be the Village's bond counsel. The \$8,000 fee is the fee outlined in Ice Miller's proposal for a refunding with a value of \$0-\$10,000,000.

8C. [BID 00-05224](#) A bid awarding a contract for \$156,075 to Schroeder & Schroeder, Inc., Skokie, IL, for 2013 replacement sidewalk program

8D. [BID 00-05225](#) A bid authorizing a contract for \$101,050 to Safe Stemp, LLC, Hortonville, WI, for 2013 sidewalk rehabilitation project

In addition to others on the North side, it looks like this is picking up the balance of the brick sidewalk on the North side of Maple, East of Mackie and on the South side in front of the Museum, yes?

All brick sidewalks except the sidewalks in front of the Park District's museum campus on Maple Avenue will be removed and replaced with concrete. The sidewalks at the museum campus will be replaced with brick sidewalk.

Also, does this include moving the striped pedestrian crossing from the East side of Maple and Mackie to the West side of Maple and Fairmount?

No, staff is still evaluating this change.

Also, could we have some kind of central dumping spot (kind of like mulch at PW) for residents to reclaim the brick pavers?

This type of change would require an amendment to the contract terms. The contract was bid with a requirement that the contractor remove and dispose of the brick pavers.

Has the Village received feedback regarding the "new" R&R process? Are there alternatives available? How much does the Village save by using the "new" R&R process?

Staff has received both positive and negative feedback about this process. Many residents have been pleased with the number of trip hazards we are able to correct with this process, and with the fact that it doesn't require disruption, heavy equipments or utility locations. Staff has received a few complaints about the appearance of the sawed concrete. These are the only two methods available for addressing sidewalk trip hazards at this time. The saw cutting method is approximately one-third the cost of traditional removal and replacement costs. To address the same locations with removal and replacement alone this year would cost as much as an additional \$200,000.

Please explain the difference between the budgeted amounts for the two projects as shown in the CIP sheets and the way the bids were received.

The two projects were included in the CIP separately and were budgeted for amounts of \$191,500 for the sidewalk removal and replacement and saw-cutting, and \$50,000 for brick sidewalk removal and replacement for a total of \$241,500. For cost-saving and better coordination the sidewalk removal and replacement contract was combined with the brick sidewalk removal contract and the saw cutting contract was bid separately.

Is the Park District contributing to the cost of the replacement brick sidewalk in front of the Museum Campus on Maple?

No, the Park District will not contribute to the cost of the replacement brick sidewalk.

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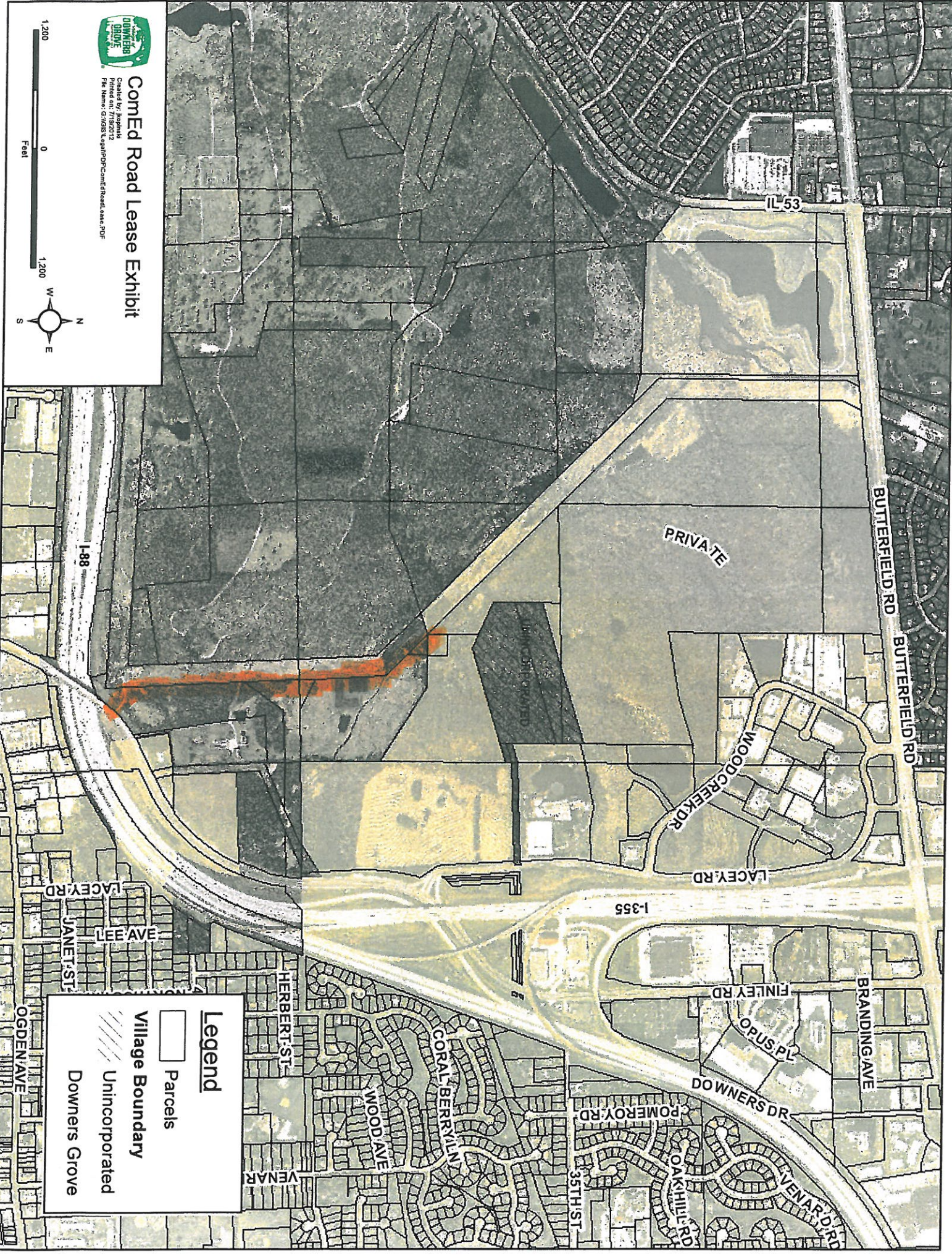
ComEd Road Lease Map

Safe Routes to School - Belle Aire Sidewalk

Safe Routes to School - El Sierra Sidewalk



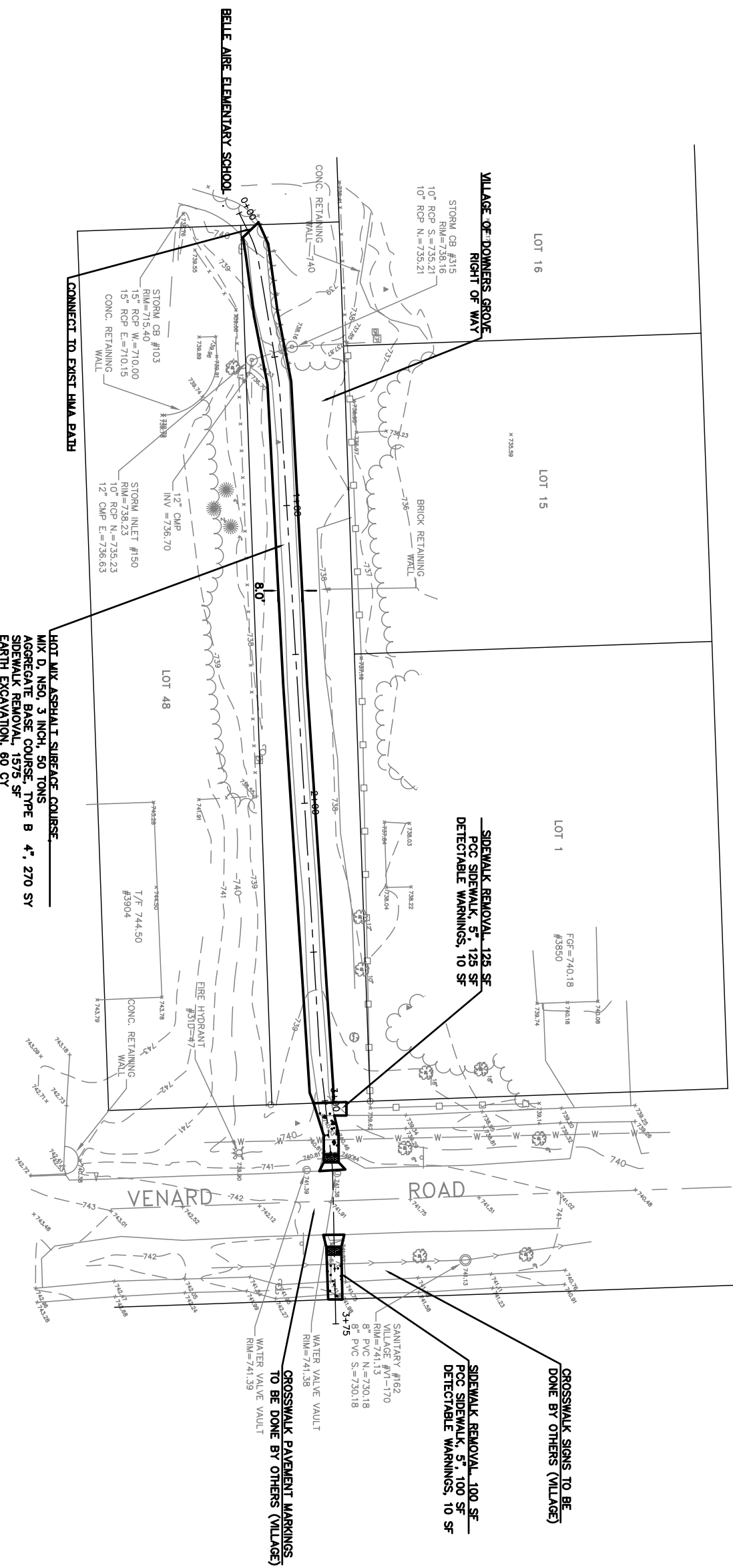
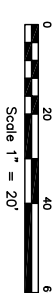
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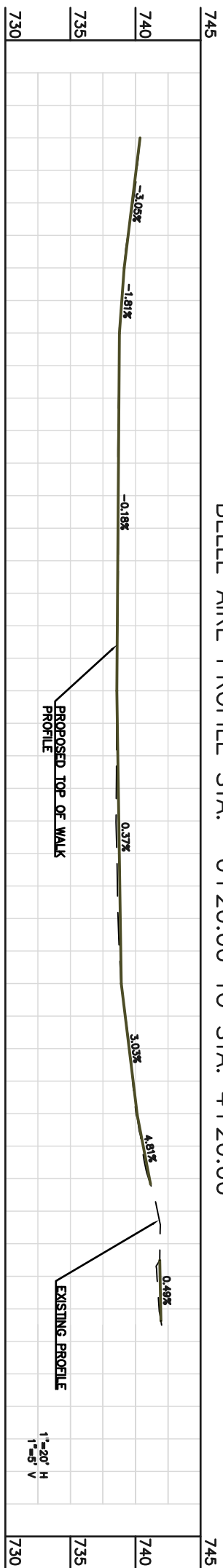
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- Village Boundary
- Unincorporated
- Downers Grove

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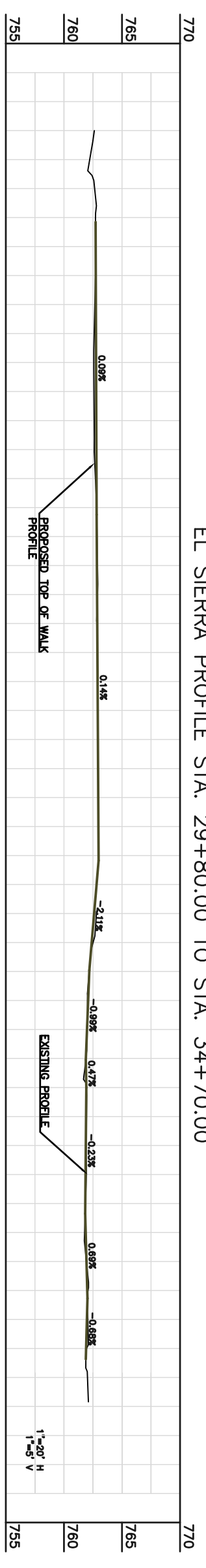
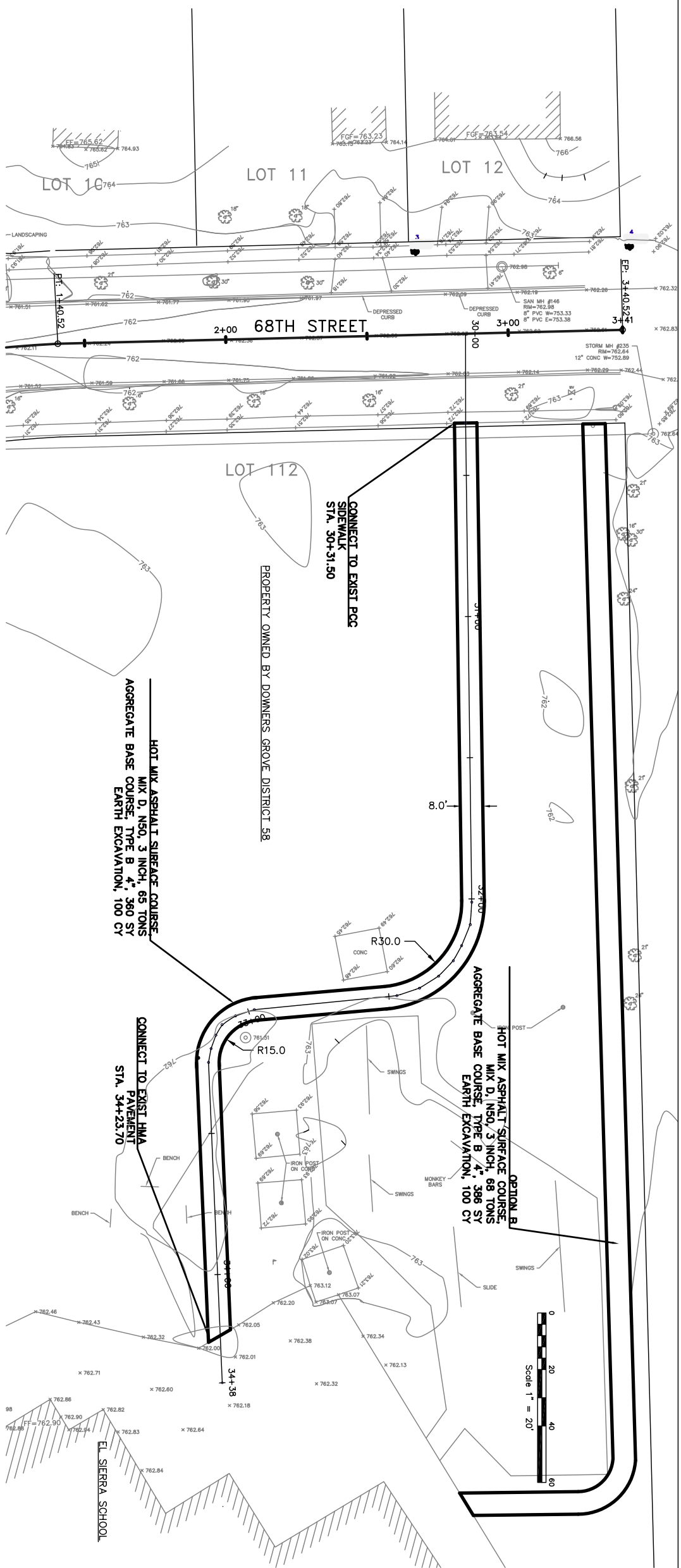


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