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March 13, 2006

Honorable Mark D. Boughton
Common Council
City of Danbury
155 Deer Hill Avenue
Danbury, CT 06896

Dear Mayor Boughton and Common Council Members:

Pleasant Drive/Great Plain Road
Lot No. J07049
Request to Purchase property

The February 1, 2006 letter sent to Michael McLachlan of the Mayor's office by Karen Antici of 128 Great Plain Road requesting that the City allow her to purchase the above noted property was sent to our office for a report within thirty days (reference item 26 of the March 2006 Common Council meeting minutes).

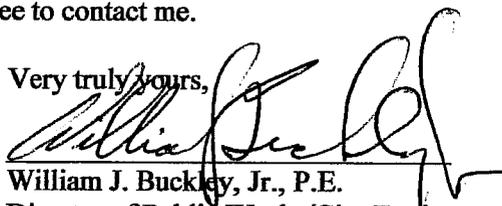
The parcel of land in question measures 0.42 acres, more or less, in area (copy of a section of the Tax Assessor's map showing the lot is enclosed for your reference). A stream runs through the property and a portion of the lot looks to be within a regulated wetlands area. The parcel of land was acquired by the City in 1982 via a tax foreclosure (copy of Certificate of Foreclosure enclosed).

The Public Works Department sees no value to the City's ownership of the parcel of land. The parcel of land does not abut any other City property and is too small to be developed for any foreseeable City use.

It is recommended that the parcel of land be declared surplus, offered to both of the abutting property owners for purchase and sold to the highest bidder.

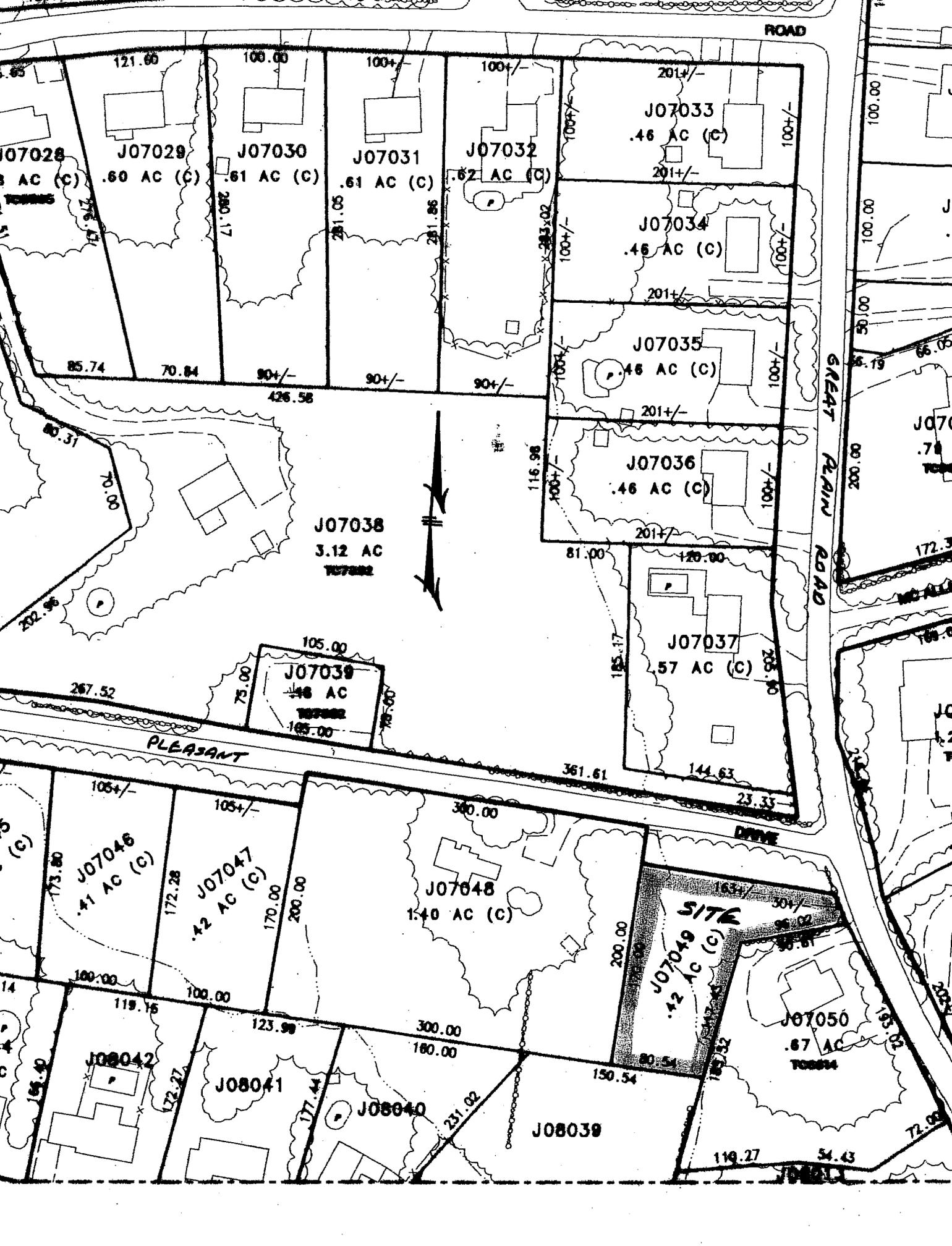
If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Very truly yours,



William J. Buckley, Jr., P.E.
Director of Public Works/City Engineer

C: Eric L. Gottschalk, Esq., with encl.
Dennis Elpern, with encl.
Michael McLachlan, with encl.
Charles J. Volpe, Jr., with encl.



VALLEY

STREAM ESTATES 00-1121

CERTIFICATE OF FORECLOSURE

TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN: This certifies that tax liens from RODRIGUE BROTHERS, INC. of the Town of Southbury, County of New Haven, and State of Connecticut, on the Lists of October 1, 1971 to October 1, 1980, inclusive, were foreclosed upon the complaint of the City of Danbury against RODRIGUE BROTHERS, INC., the owner of the equity of redemption in said liened premises, in the Superior Court for the Judicial District of Danbury at Danbury on the 15th day of March, 1982. The premises foreclosed are described as follows:

ALL that certain piece or parcel of land situated in the City of Danbury, County of Fairfield, and State of Connecticut shown as Lot No. 45 on a certain map entitled "Valley Stream Estates, a Subdivision located in Hayestown District, Danbury, Connecticut" dated August 15, 1960, certified substantially correct by John F. Green, P. E. L. S., which map is on file in the Office of the Town Clerk of the said City of Danbury as Map No. 2925.

The time limited for redemption of said judgment of foreclosure has passed, and the title to said premises became absolute in the said City of Danbury on the 20th day of April, 1982.

DATED at Danbury, Conn. this 20th day of April, 1982.

CITY OF DANBURY

Received for record April 28 1982
at 9:00 A.M.

Attest: *Michael R. Sew*
Town Clerk

By: *Theodore H. Goldstein*
Theodore H. Goldstein of
Theodore H. Goldstein, P.C.,
Its Attorney



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PLEASE REPLY TO:

March 23, 2006

Honorable Mark D. Boughton, Mayor
Honorable Members of the Common Council
City of Danbury, Connecticut

Re: March agenda item #26
Pleasant Drive/Great Plain Road
Request to purchase city owned land

Dear Mayor and Council Members:

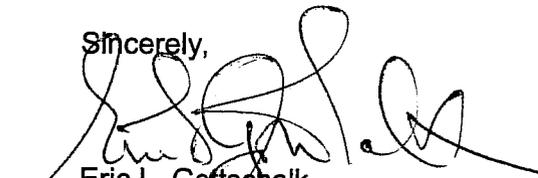
Please accept this letter in response to your request for a report concerning the matter referenced above. At the March Common Council meeting this request was referred to this office and to the Director of Public Works and the Planning Commission for review. Assuming that other reports are favorable, and assuming further that you are interested in transferring title to this property to the petitioner, you may wish to forward this matter to the Tax Assessor with a request that she report to you on the value of the property. At the same time, the Council could authorize this office to negotiate the terms of sale. If you elect to pursue such an approach it would be my intention to advise you of the results of any negotiation and present a completed proposal to you for final approval.

Alternatively, you may choose to direct the purchasing agent to offer the property for sale to the highest bidder, giving specific notice to abutting property owners.

Please bear in mind that in order to convey city property, it must first be declared surplus. In addition, any proposal to convey an interest in municipally owned property requires a two-thirds vote of all of the members of the Common Council (See §3-17 of the Danbury Municipal Charter).

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,



Eric L. Gottschalk
Deputy Corporation Counsel

cc: William J. Buckley, Jr. P.E., Dir. Of Public Works
Dennis I. Elpern, Director of Planning

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PLANNING COMMISSION
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April 24, 2006

To: Mayor Mark Boughton
Members of Common Council

From: Planning Commission

Re: 8-24 Referral/March 7th CC Agenda Item #26 – Request to Purchase City
Property on Great Plain Rd.

The Planning Commission has received a request from the Common Council for a report pursuant to CT General Statutes/Sec 8-24, regarding the above referenced item.

At the April 5, 2006 meeting, the Planning Commission made a motion to give this a positive recommendation based on the Planning Director's report.

Arnold E. Finaldi Jr.
Chairman

AEF/jr

Attachment

c: Engineering Dept.
Corporation Counsel