



18 June 2019

P&Z Commissioners  
City of Boise Planning and Development Services  
150 N. Capitol Blvd  
Boise, ID 83702

**RE: CUP19-00033 (Habitat Veterinary Hospital Application to Exceed SP-02 Parking)**

Dear Commissioners,

The Barber Valley Neighborhood Association (BVNA) supports this application and requests two conditions of approval that we believe will benefit the community. We have corresponded with the applicant and posted the details of the application on our Neighborhood Association website. In addition, we had a robust discussion regarding this application at our monthly membership meeting on 13 June. We agree with the applicant that additional parking is reasonable for this business in this proposed location. We also want to ensure that the guidance in SP-02 is adhered to and there will be an interconnected walkway and path system that connects all parcels and buildings within Barber Station.

The first condition we propose as a condition of approval is to construct a portion of the additional parking with a permeable surface. A hardscape or 'engineered grid' surface that reduces asphalt surface area is our request and would be most appropriate in the parking adjacent to Marianne Williams park.

A second proposed condition of approval is to clearly annotate the parking that 'exceeds' the SP-02 guidance. If the conditional use application is approved for 37 parking spots where 21 are authorized, we would propose that the 16 additional parking spots most convenient to the public park facilities are annotated with "public parking" signage to make it clear that the parking is not exclusive to the Habitat Vet Hospital clientele. This general area has supported informal parking for Greenbelt and Marianne Williams pond users for years. The existing Marianne Williams public parking is 0.5 miles to the southeast (9 min walk, 2 min bicycle); the additional 16 spaces of 'public parking' would be an outstanding parking option for the public. The applicant states support for this, "we would also allow surrounding residents to park in our lot giving easy access to Marianne Williams park and the Greenbelt".

Thank you again for your consideration of our community perspective on development in Boise.

Sincerely,

John Mooney, Jr., Board President

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