To: City of Madison Plan Commission

Madison Planning & Development Office

215 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd, Room LL100

Madison, WI 53710

Date: May 28, 2008

Re: 5555 High Crossing Boulevard

Dear Plan Commission members:

Accompanying this letter are a draft Letter of Intent and preliminary site plans and renderings for a proposed new Honda automobile dealership to be located at 5555 High Crossing Boulevard on the corner of High Crossing and Nelson Road. These materials will be discussed in an informational presentation at your June 2nd meeting.

The proposed use will require a rezoning from C-2 to C-3. Although the Nelson Neighborhood Development Plan currently designates this site as Office/Service, the applicant believes that the proposed use is consistent with the manner in which the area has developed since the neighborhood plan was first adopted in March 1992. In particular, the proposed use is consistent with the 2005 amendments to the neighborhood plan which state, in part, "[T]he neighborhood development plan was amended in 2005 to recognize automobile sales and automotive-related businesses as acceptable land uses on both sides of High Crossing Boulevard."

We look forward to receiving your comments and suggestions on June 2nd.

Thank you.

Respectfully submitted,

Wilde Family Limited Partnership

Kevin A. Delorey, Attorney

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Date: June ___, 2008

LETTER OF INTENT

This Letter of Intent accompanies the application of Wilde Family Limited Partnership for a rezoning from C-2 to C-3 for the property located at 5555 High Crossing Blvd., City of Madison, Dane County, Wisconsin (the "Project Site"). The purpose of the rezoning request is to permit the construction and operation of an automotive dealership, specifically a Honda dealership, on the Project Site. The applicant believes that the requested rezoning is consistent with the Nelson Neighborhood Plan, which, as amended, states, in part:

"The neighborhood development plan was amended in 2005 to recognize automobile sales and automotive-related businesses as acceptable land uses on both sides of High Crossing Boulevard."

The name of the project is Wilde East Towne Honda. The Project Site has been acquired, and the land and completed improvements will be owned, by Wilde Family Limited Partnership. The real estate will be leased to, and the Honda dealership owned and operated by, Hidalgo Autos, Inc., the principal owner of which will be Jorge F. Hidalgo.

The construction schedule calls for the commencement of construction in late 2008, with construction completed in late 2009.

Existing Conditions. The Project Site is located at the southeast corner of the intersection of High Crossing Boulevard and Nelson Road. It is part of a former quarry site and is triangular in shape. As of the date of this application, the Project Site is vacant. The land to the north across Nelson Road is zone PUD/GDP and is currently vacant, with the exception of a City of Madison Fire Department station across from the most easterly portion of the Project Site. The land to the east of the Project Site is vacant and zoned agricultural. The land to the south of the Project Site is made up of the remainder of the quarry and is zoned C-2 and agricultural. The land to the west of the Project Site across High Crossing Boulevard is occupied by an auto dealership.

The people/entities involved in the Project include:

Applicant/Purchaser: Wilde Family Limited Partnership

1710A Hwy. 164 Waukesha, WI 53186 Owner/Operator:

Hidalgo Autos, Inc.

Jorge F. Hidalgo

c/o Wilde Automotive Management

1710A Hwy. 164 Waukesha, WI 53186

Contractor:

To be determined

Architect:

Erik L. Madisen Madisen Architects

828 N. Broadway, Suite 206 Milwaukee, WI 53202

Landscaper:

To be determined

Surveyor:

To be determined

Project Coordinator: Patrick Donahue

Wilde Automotive Management

1710A Hwy. 164 Waukesha, WI 53186

Project Counsel:

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Uses of the building: The building will have a footprint of approximately 23,617, and will have an upper level (ground floor) and a lower level (below grade, exposed in the rear). The ground floor level uses will consist of:

Show room:

7,400 square feet

Administrative area:

2,750 square feet

Sales offices:

3,020 square feet

Customer lounge/boutique:

2,750 square feet

Service reception area:

3,960 square feet

New vehicle delivery area:

800 square feet

The lower level will contain the service department, with uses consisting of:

Service area:

14,566 square feet

Parts department:

3,776 square feet

Service support area:

1,252 square feet

Mechanical equipment area: 1,790 square feet

There will also be a 1,750 square foot car wash for use by the dealership operation, but not by the general public. There will be no body shop operation conducted at the Project Site, meaning there will be no wrecked autos and no body shop paints or chemicals located at the Project Site.

The total gross square footage of the two-level building and the car wash will be approximately 49,000 square feet. Working with the triangular shape and sloping topography of the Project Site, the applicant is proposing a two-level facility. This will allow the placement of the service department in the lower level of the facility, which will be accessed through the rear of the facility, away from either of the road frontages, thus giving the facility to a much smaller footprint than a traditional automobile dealership and giving the design team the ability to produce a facility with more appealing appearance.

Number of employees: The total number of employees is anticipated to be approximately 91, broken down as follows:

Administrative: 12 Sales: 29 Service/Repair 24 Clerical: 10 Other: 16

Parking and Loading Spaces: The total number of parking spaces on the Project Site will be approximately 401, broken down as follows:

Customer Parking: 28 spaces
Customer Service: 42 spaces
New Car Display: 153 spaces
Preowned Display: 95 spaces
Service Car Parking: 35 spaces
Employee Parking: 48 spaces

Hours of operation: The hours of operation will be consistent with other auto dealership operations in the City of Madison. Currently, hours of operation are expected to be:

Sales: Monday through Friday 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Saturday 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Sunday Closed

Service: Monday through Thursday 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Friday 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Saturday 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Sunday Closed

Square footage (acreage) of the site: The square footage of the Project Site is 4.49 acres in area.

Number of dwelling units: N/A

Trash removal and storage, snow removal and maintenance equipment. As shown on the plans submitted with this Letter of Intent, there will be an on-site, screened, dumpster area for collection and storage of trash. Trash removal, heavy snow removal, and maintenance will be handled by private contractor.

Respectfully submitted,
Wilde Family Limited Partnership
By:
Patrick Donahue

WILDE HONDA SS55 HIGH CROSSING BLVD. - MADISON, WI

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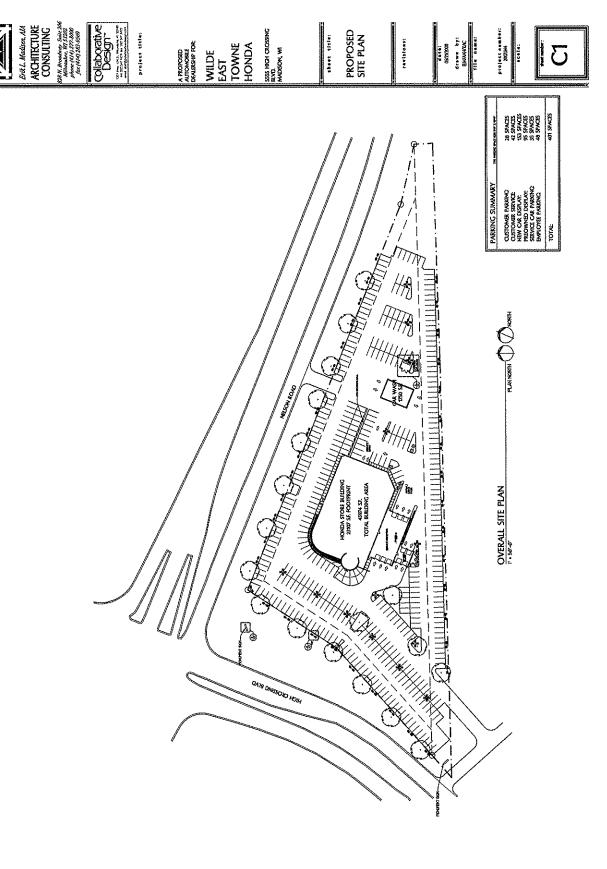
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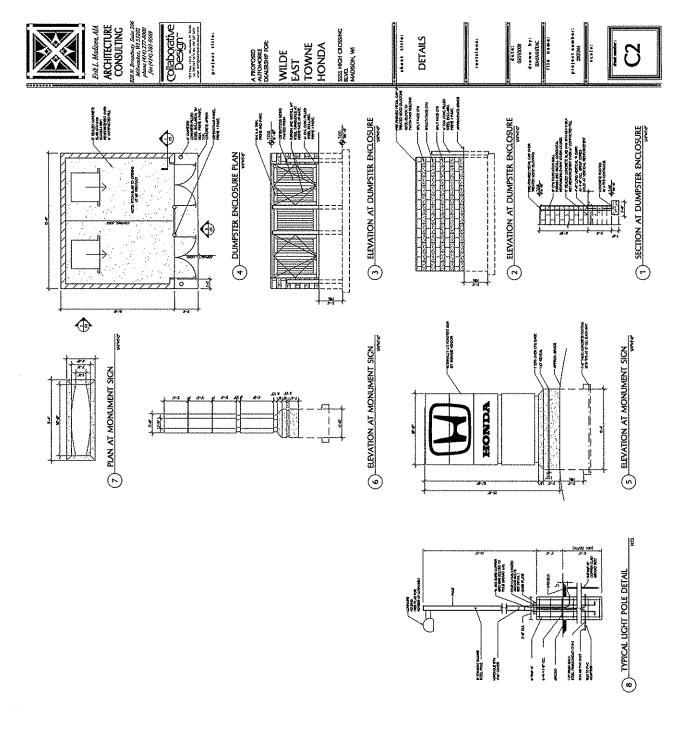
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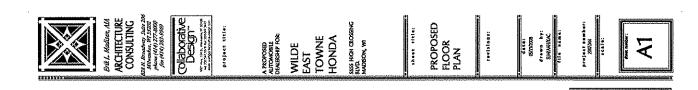
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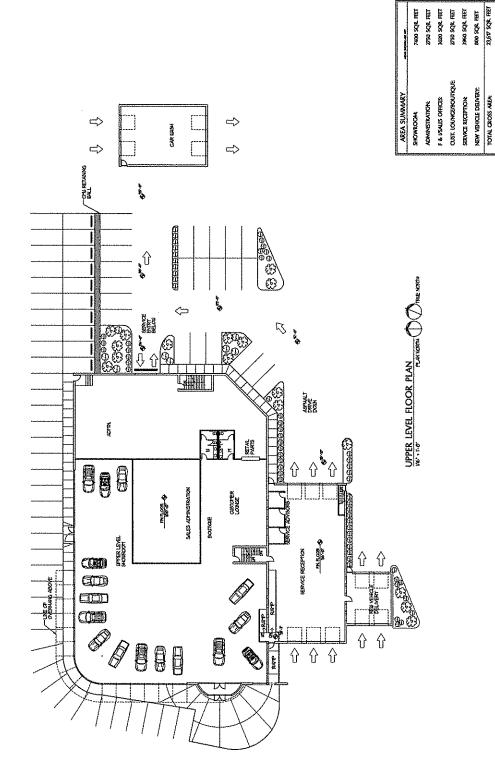
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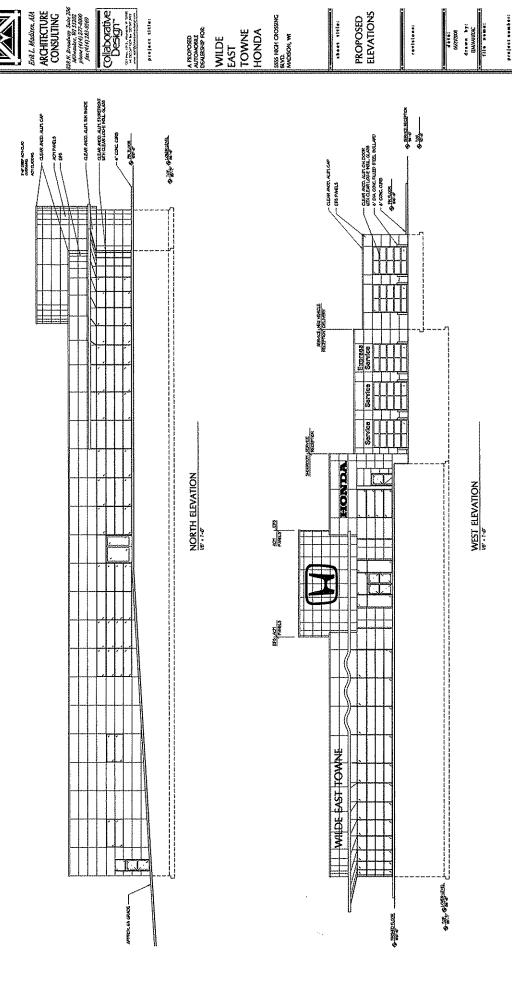
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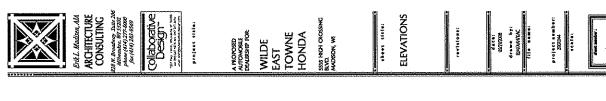


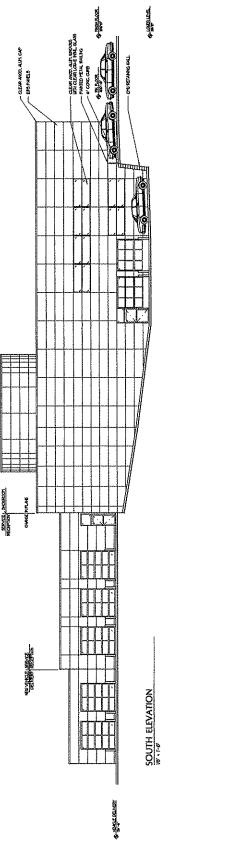
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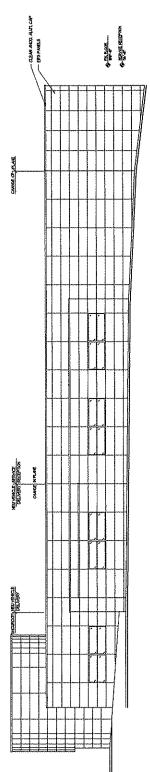
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