# AHEARN EQUIPMENT

# SITE PLAN APPLICATION #06-21 STAFF REPORT

June 9, 2021

**SITE:** 10 West Road; Map 105 Lot 001-000

**ZONING:** Industrial (I)

**PURPOSE OF PLANS:** Change the use of the property from Industrial to Industrial with a retail component to allow sales of construction equipment.

### **PLANS UNDER REVIEW:**

Change of Use Site Plan – Ahearn Equipment, Inc.; prepared by Keach-Nordstrom Associates, Inc., 10 Commerce Park North, Suite 3B, Bedford, NH 03110; prepared for Owner of Record – ZJBV Properties, LLC, 300 Gay Street, Manchester, NH 03103 and Applicant – Ahearn Equipment, Inc., 460 Main Street, Spencer, MA 01562; consisting of 1 sheet with notes 1-20; dated May 15, 2021.

#### **ATTACHMENTS:**

- A. Department Comments
- B. Previously Approved Site Plan "Master Plan Jay-Mor Enterprises, Inc."
- C. Previously Approved Landscape Plan

### **APPLICATION TRACKING:**

- May 18, 2021 Application received.
- June 9, 2021 Public hearing scheduled.

### COMMENTS & RECOMMENDATIONS:

### BACKGROUND

A 5,750-SF industrial building currently occupies the northern part of the lot, which is accompanied by a paved driveway and parking lot. There is also a second driveway, paved and connected to an open gravel area. The site was previously approved for industrial use in a 2013 site plan, which also allowed for a 9,000-SF building and additional site improvement that have not been built to date (**Attachment B**)

There are designated wetland and a PSNH power easement to the rear of the property, as well as an existing stormwater pond toward the south. The upland portion of the property is largely graveled, except for the developed areas and vegetation buffers along the southern and northern lot lines.

The applicant proposes to modify the use of the lot, —retaining the existing industrial use while adding the ancillary use retail and display of construction equipment. The submitted change of use plan.

### STAFF COMMENTS

- 1. **Dimensional Requirements (§ 334-27):** The existing lot and submitted site plan conform to all dimensional requirements.
- 2. **Open Space Requirement [§ 276-11.1:B.24(b)]:** The submitted site plan provides 47.7% of the lot as open space, meeting the required 40%. Note #13 incorrectly states the open space requirement as 35%. This lower requirement applies to lots located within the area bounded by the corridor or right-of-way of the Nashua-Hudson Circumferential Highway and the Merrimack River. Staff recommends the applicant amend the note.
- 3. **Off-Street Parking (§ 275-6:D):** 
  - a. **Parking Calculation** [§ 275-8:C(2)]: Note #12 on the site plan states 10 spaces are required and 15 spaces are provided (includes 1 handicap space). Given that this use has characteristics fo both industrial and retail uses, staff recommends Board deliberation and discussion with the applicant concerning their amount of parking required to operate safely and efficiently.
    - The previously approved (and vested) plan includes a 9,000 sf building that has yet to be built. In the event the property owner wishes to build this second building, this current application may present challeneges to the future parking condition. This may requires building additional spaces in what was previously approved as "outdoor contractor's yard". A note should be added to this plan and the notice of decision that provides a solution to this potential challenge.
  - b. Parking Lot Landscaping Requirements [§ 275-8:C(7)]. Landscaping generally: The approved landscape plan on this site (in its 2013 approval) has not been completed. Further, two of the display areas conflict with the previoulskly approved landscape plan. Staff recommends that the Applicant and/or Owner offer a plan for the site's landscape and/or if it is to be phased. (Attachment C)
- **4. Required Green Area [276-11.1:B(22)]:** The proposed display area along West Road and between the two driveways intrudes upon the 35-ft green area. While the applicant has confirmed in an email to the Town Engineer that no increase of impervious area is proposed, staff suggests the Planning Board consider whether the proposed display area should be set back behind the 35-ft green area or if a waiver is appropriate.
- **5. Zoning Administrator Comment:** The Zoning Administrator has requested that dimensions be shown for the display area for compliance enforcement. Dimensions and/or a note should be added to the plan.

## **DRAFT MOTIONS**

## **ACCEPT** the site plan application:

I move to a 001-000.	accept the site plan application for Ahearn Eo	quipment at 10 West Road; Map 105 Lot		
Motion by	:Second:	Carried/Failed:		
<b>CONTINUE</b> the public hearing to a date certain:				
	continue the public hearing for the site plan a l; Map 105 Lot 001-000 to date certain,			
Motion by	:Second:	Carried/Failed:		
<u>APPRO'</u>	$\overline{ m VE}$ the site plan application:			
Keach-Nor prepared for and Application sheet with stipulation 1. 2. 3. 4.	approve the Site Plan, Change of Use Site Plandstrom Associates, Inc., 10 Commerce Park or Owner of Record –ZJBV Properties, LLC, cant – Ahearn Equipment, Inc., 460 Main Strates 1-20; dated May 15, 2021; subject to, as:  All stipulations of approval shall be incorposhall be recorded at the HCRD, together with All improvements shown on the Plan, including their entirety and at the expense of the application of Planning Board endorsement of administrative review by Town Planner and Construction activities involving the subject 7:00 A.M. and 7:00 P.M. No exterior constructions of refuse removal shall be exclusive to P.M., Monday through Friday only.  A bond in an amount approved by the Townstruction and amount approved by the Townstructions.	North, Suite 3B, Bedford, NH 03110; , 300 Gay Street, Manchester, NH 03103 eet, Spencer, MA 01562; consisting of 1 and revised per, the following  orated into the Notice of Decision which the Plan. ding notes 1-30, shall be completed in cant or the applicant's assigns. the Plan, it shall be subject to final Town Engineer. t lot shall be limited to the hours between ruction activities shall be allowed on to the hours between 7:00 A.M. and 7:00		
	owner for the completion of the approved la Certificate of Occupancy.	ndscape plan prior to issueance of a		
Motion by	:Second:	Carried/Failed:		

## **SITE PLAN APPLICATION**

Date of Application: May 12, 2021	Tax Map #:105 Lot #:1			
Site Address: 10 West Road, Hudson, New Hampshire				
Name of Project: Ahearn Equipment Change of Use				
Zoning District: Industrial	General SP#:			
	(For Town Use Only)			
Z.B.A. Action:				
PROPERTY OWNER:	<u>DEVELOPER:</u>			
Name: ZJBV Properties, LLC	Ahearn Equipment, Inc.			
Address: 300 Gay Street, Manchester, NH	460 Main Street, Spencer, MA 01562			
Address:				
Telephone # 603-641-8608	508-885-7085			
Email:	jjahearn@ahearnequipment.com			
PROJECT ENGINEER:	SURVEYOR:			
Name: Keach-Nordstrom Associates, Inc.	Keach-Nordstrom Associates, Inc.			
Address: 10 Commerce Park North, Suite 3	10 Commerce Park North, Suite 3			
Address: Bedford, NH 03110	Bedford, NH 03110			
Telephone # 603-627-2881	603-627-2881			
Email: pchisholm@keachnordstrom.com	pchisholm@keachnordstrom.com			
PURPOSE OF PLAN:				
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(For Town Use Only)				
Routing Date: Deadline Date:	Meeting Date:			
I have no comments I have comments (attach to form)				
Title:	Date:			
(Initials)				
Department:				
Zoning: Engineering: Assessor: Police: Fire: DPW: Consultant:				

## **SITE DATA SHEET**

PLAN NAME: Change of Use Site	e Plan - Ahearn Equipment	
PLAN TYPE: <u>SITE PLAN</u>		
LEGAL DESCRIPTION: MAP_	105 LOT_1	
DATE: May 12, 2021		
Location by Street:	10 West Road	
Zoning:	Industrial	
Proposed Land Use:	Industrial + Retail	
Existing Use:	Industrial (Contractor Building + Yard)	
Surrounding Land Use(s):	Industrial, Commercial	
Number of Lots Occupied:	One	
Existing Area Covered by Building:	5,750-sf	
Existing Buildings to be removed:	None	
Proposed Area Covered by Building:	5,750-sf (Unchanged)	
Open Space Proposed:	47.7% (Existing/Unchanged)	
Open Space Required:	35%	
Total Area:	S.F.: 263,188 Acres: 6.041	
Area in Wetland:	1,221-sf Area Steep Slopes: 7,414-sf	
Required Lot Size:	43,560-sf	
Existing Frontage:	438.64-ft	
Required Frontage:	150-ft	
Building Setbacks:	Required* Proposed	
Front: Side: Rear:	50-ft     125.96-ft       15-ft     16.03-ft       15-ft     289.79-ft	

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Date: \_\_\_\_\_

	(Continued)
Flood Zone Reference:	Map 33011C0508D, Panel 508 of 701 (Not in Flood Plain
Width of Driveways:	+/-33-ft
Number of Curb Cuts:	One
Proposed Parking Spaces:	15
Required Parking Spaces:	10
Basis of Required Parking (Use):	Building Size (see Plan for calculation)
Dates/Case #/Description/Stipulations of ZBA, Conservation Commission, NH Wetlands Board Actions: (Attach stipulations on separate sheet)	SP 04-13 (Approved August 14, 2013)
Waiver Requests	
Town Code Reference: Reg	gulation Description:
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**SITE DATA SHEET** 

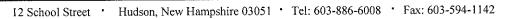
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Data Sheets Checked By: \_\_\_\_\_



# TOWN OF HUDSON

# Land Use Division



Zoning Review/Comments 74 5-27-71

May 21, 2021

Re:

Map 105 Lot 001

Address: 10 West Rd

Zoning district: (I) Industrial Site Plan review for change of use

Submitted plan: Sheet 1 of 1 dated May 15, 2021

For future Code Enforcement compliance, would it be possible to either dimension locations of the proposed Display Areas, or mention the amount in sq ft.

Sincerely,

Bruce Buttrick,

Zoning Administrator/Code Enforcement Officer

cc:

B. Groth - Town Planner

**DATE:** MAY 13, 2013

PROJECT NO: 12-1126-1

**SCALE:** 1" = 60'

SHEET 1 OF 14

OF PLANT SPECIES THAT OCCUR IN WETLANDS: NEW HAMPSHIRE, PUBLISHED BY THE UNITED STATES FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE, MAY

OF APPROVAL