



MINUTES
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
APRIL 5, 2022

CALL TO ORDER – Roll Call and Determination of a Quorum

The Parker City Council met in a regular meeting on the above date at Parker City Hall, 5700 E. Parker Road, Parker, Texas, 75002.

Mayor Lee Pettle called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Mayor Pro Tem Cindy Meyer and Councilmembers Diana M. Abraham, Terry Lynch, Jim Reed, and Michael Slaughter were present.

Staff Present: City Administrator Luke Olson, Asst. City Administrator/City Secretary Patti Scott Grey, Finance/Human Resources Director Grant Savage, City Attorney Trey Lansford, Public Works Director Gary Machado (arrived at 7:05 p.m.), City Engineer John Birkhoff, P.E. (arrived at 7:05 p.m.), and Police Captain Kenneth Price

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

AMERICAN PLEDGE: Rick Debus led the pledge.

TEXAS PLEDGE: Linda Nelson led the pledge.

PUBLIC COMMENTS The City Council invites any person with business before the Council to speak. No formal action may be taken on these items at this meeting. Please keep comments to 3 minutes.

Richard Williams, 5105 Englenook Drive, voiced concern regarding an April 2, 2022, email from Mayor Lee Pettle. [See **Exhibit 1 – Richard Williams' comments, dated April 5, 2022.**]

Stephen Brooks, CEO Grand Homes, spoke, stating he hoped Council would vote in favor of item #7, CONSIDERATION AND/OR ANY APPROPRIATE ACTION ON KINGS CROSSING PHASE 3 FINAL PLAT, so the City can start issuing building permits.

Lynnette Ammar, 6903 Audubon Drive, voiced concern regarding an April 2, 2022, email from Mayor Lee Pettle.

Susan Medrano, 4406 Dover Drive, future Kings Crossing Phase 3 and Parker resident, expressed concern regarding the development moving forward.

Jon Kerr, 6308 Warwick Way, spoke, regarding Lewis Lane and other Parker road conditions, as well as Kings Crossing Phase 3 drainage issues.

Patricia Harrison, 4400 Pecan Orchard, voiced concern regarding an April 2, 2022, email from Mayor Lee Pettle.

Elvis Nelson, 5802 Corinth Chapel, expressed his appreciation for the Parker Fire Department and Emergency Medical Technicians (EMTs) for saving his life January 2022 and voiced concern regarding an April 2, 2022, email from Mayor Lee Pettle. [See **Exhibit 2 – Elvis Nelson's comments, dated April 5, 2022.**]

Donna Reed, 4703 Boulder Drive, voiced concern regarding an April 2, 2022, email from Mayor Lee Pettle.

Jeff Harrison, 4400 Pecan Orchard, voiced concern regarding an April 2, 2022, email from Mayor Lee Pettle.

Ellis "Skip" Cave, 4407 Springhill Estates Drive, voiced concern regarding an April 2, 2022, email from Mayor Lee Pettle.

Jim Douglas, 5005 Hackberry Lane, voiced concern regarding an April 2, 2022, email from Mayor Lee Pettle.

Ed Standridge, 3607 Hogge Drive, expressed concern regarding an April 2, 2022, email from Mayor Lee Pettle.

Joe Cordina, 4302 Boulder Drive, voiced concern regarding an April 2, 2022, email from Mayor Lee Pettle.

Krunal Kapadia, 5801 Laila Drive, expressed concern regarding impact of FM 2551 construction on the residential lots in his neighborhood.

Jennifer Schmitt, 6000 Dumont, was unable to attend tonight's meeting and asked that her email be included. [See **Exhibit 3 – Jennifer Schmitt's comments, dated April 5, 2022.**]

EXECUTIVE SESSION - Pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 551, Texas Government Code, Vernon's Texas Codes Annotated the City Council may hold a closed meeting.

RECESS TO CLOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE AUTHORITY CONTAINED IN:

Government Code Section 551.074 Personnel—To deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee.

Government Code Section 551.071(1)—Consultation with City Attorney concerning Pending or Contemplated Litigation.

Mayor Lee Pettle recessed the regular meeting to Executive Session at 7:34 p.m.

RECONVENE REGULAR MEETING.

Mayor Lee Pettle reconvened the meeting at 8:21 p.m.

ANY APPROPRIATE DELIBERATION AND/OR ACTION ON ANY OF THE EXECUTIVE SESSION SUBJECTS LISTED ABOVE.

Councilmember Slaughter stated, in accordance with what was deliberated, Council would like to direct staff to draft a resolution to outline the fact that all city business must be conducted by city email, all elected officials, employees of the City of Parker, etc., who have a City email must use that email for all City communication. Council agreed, 5-0.

ITEMS OF COMMUNITY INTEREST

Mayor Pettle read each of the Items of Community Interest, as follows:

- REMINDER – HOME HAZARDOUS WASTE - <http://www.parkertexas.us/416/Home-Hazardous-Waste>
- THURSDAY, APRIL 7, 2022 - LAST DAY TO REGISTER TO VOTE FOR THE MAY 7, 2022, GE
- PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION (P&R) – WEDNESDAY, APRIL 13, 2022, 4 PM
- COMPREHENSIVE PLAN (COMP) COMMITTEE - WEDNESDAY, APRIL 20, 2022, 6 PM
- CANDIDATES NIGHT – THURSDAY, APRIL 21, 2022, 7 PM – VICTORY CHURCH

Councilmember Slaughter noted the **League of Women Voters** would be handling this event.
- NATIONAL PRESCRIPTION DRUG TAKE BACK - SATURDAY, APRIL 30, 2022, 10AM-2PM
- **REMINDER – MAY 7, 2022 – GENERAL ELECTION (EV AND ED INFO)**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Apr 24	Apr 25 Early Voting 8am to 5pm	Apr 26 Early Voting 8am to 5pm	Apr 27 Early Voting 8am to 5pm	Apr 28 Early Voting 8am to 5pm	Apr. 29 Early Voting 8am to 5pm	Apr. 30 Early Voting 8am to 5pm*
May 1	May 2 Early Voting 7am to 7pm	May 3 Early Voting 7am to 7pm	May 4	May 5	May 6	May 7 Election Day 7am to 7pm

- **PRIMARY RUNOFF ELECTION – TUESDAY, MAY 24, 2022**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
15-May	16-May Early Voting 7am-7pm	17-May Early Voting 7am-7pm	18-May Early Voting 7am-7pm	19-May Early Voting 7am-7pm	20-May Early Voting 7am-7pm	21-May
22-May	23-May	24-May Election Day 7am-7pm	25-May	26-May	27-May	28-May

CONSENT AGENDA Routine Council business. Consent Agenda is approved by a single majority vote. Items may be removed for open discussion by a request from a Councilmember or member of staff.

1. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES FOR MARCH 11, 2022.

MOTION: Councilmember Lynch moved to approve item 1, the March 11, 2022, City Council meeting minutes, of the consent agenda, removing item 2 for further discussion. Councilmember Slaughter seconded with Councilmembers Abraham, Lynch, Meyer, Reed, and Slaughter voting for the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION ITEMS

Item 2 of the consent agenda was moved to Individual Consideration Items.

2. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES FOR MARCH 15, 2022.

MOTION: Councilmember Slaughter moved to approve item 2 of the consent agenda, as amended, as follows:

7. CONSIDERATION AND/OR ANY APPROPRIATE ACTION ON KINGS CROSSING PHASE 3 FINAL PLAT.

MOTION: Councilmember Lynch moved to approve Kings Crossing Phase 3 Final Plat, subject to the ~~ten~~ (10) outstanding items in City Engineer John W. Birkhoff, P.E.'s letter, dated March 3, 2022, being completed, plus correcting the acreage chart on the plat. There was no second. The motion died for lack of a second.

Councilmember Reed seconded with Councilmembers Abraham, Lynch, Meyer, Reed, and Slaughter voting for the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

3. DISCUSSION AND/OR APPROPRIATE ACTION REGARDING APPROVAL OF DONATED PARKS AND RECREATION (P&R) PRESERVE SIGNAGE.

City Administrator Olson presented the item, stating P&R Commission met March 9, 2022, and recommended the donation of the P&R Preserve signage. P&R Place 4 Commissioner Frank DaCosta and former P&R Alternate Rick Debus were in attendance in support of the signage and noted Boy Scout Logan Donaghy built the billboard replacement board for the sign.

Mayor Pettle noted the Great American Cleanup held Saturday, April 2, 2022, 9AM-11AM was a success and thanked P&R and volunteers.

MOTION: Councilmember Slaughter moved to approve the donation of the Parks and Recreation (P&R) signage. Councilmember Abraham seconded with Councilmembers Abraham, Lynch, Meyer, Reed, and Slaughter voting for the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

4. CONSIDERATION AND/OR ANY APPROPRIATE ACTION ON KINGS CROSSING PHASE 3 FINAL PLAT. [*This item was originally on the March 15, 2022, City Council agenda.*]

City Engineer Birkhoff reviewed the item updating the outstanding items.

Developer Steve Sallman spoke in favor of approving Kings Crossing Phase 3 Final Plat.

City Attorney Lansford advised Council Kings Crossing Phase 3 Final Plat would need to be approved, approved subject to certain conditions, or denied, due to the 30-day statute clock.

Developer Preston Walhood provided Kings Crossing Phase 3 Final Plat photos. [See **Exhibit 4 – Developer Preston Walhood's photos, dated April 5, 2022.**]

MOTION: Councilmember Reed moved to approve the plat, based on *Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ)* responsibility and with the stipulations the developers, honor what they say, correcting erosion and/or any problems that arise prior to the home builder coming in or taking over. Councilmember Slaughter seconded.

The motion was restated.

MOTION: Councilmember Reed moved to have the developer abide by their TCEQ obligations to continue to maintain the drainage until released at a state

level. Mayor Pro Tem Meyer asked that the motion be more specific to state the four (4) uncompleted items on City Engineer John W. Birkhoff, P.E.'s letter, dated March 3, 2022.

Councilmember Reed withdrew the motion and/or restated it.

Councilmember Abraham asked the Builder Stephen Brooks, CEO Grand Homes, if he is ready to take responsibility. Mr. Brooks agreed for the record.

MOTION: Councilmember Reed moved to accept Kings Crossing Phase 3 Final Plat with the stipulation that the three (3) items (Items 6, 9 &10) discussed by City Engineer Birkhoff are addressed and the TCEQ responsibilities are met and under compliance until handed off to the builder. Councilmember Slaughter seconded with Councilmembers Abraham, Lynch, Meyer, Reed, and Slaughter voting for the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

ROUTINE ITEMS

5. UPDATE(S):

ANY COMMITTEE UPDATES, AS NEEDED.

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN COMMITTEE

Chair Michael Slaughter stated that Mayor Pro Tem Meyer has offered to help with his committee. Mr. Slaughter accepted the offer.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

6. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Mayor Pettle asked if there were any items to be added to the future agenda.

Hearing no requests, she encouraged everyone to email her any requests. She noted the next regularly scheduled meeting would be Tuesday, April 19, 2022.

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Government Code Section 551.071(1)—Consultation with City Attorney concerning Pending or Contemplated Litigation.

Government Code Section 551.071(2) – Consultation with Attorney on a matter in which the duty of the attorney to the governmental body under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas Clearly conflicts with this chapter (Open Meetings Act).

Mayor Lee Pettle recessed the regular meeting to Executive Session at 9:40 p.m.

RECONVENE REGULAR MEETING.

Mayor Lee Pettle reconvened the meeting at 10:23 p.m.

ANY APPROPRIATE DELIBERATION AND/OR ACTION ON ANY OF THE EXECUTIVE SESSION SUBJECTS LISTED ABOVE.

No action was taken.

ADJOURN

Mayor Lee Pettle adjourned the meeting at 10:23 p.m.

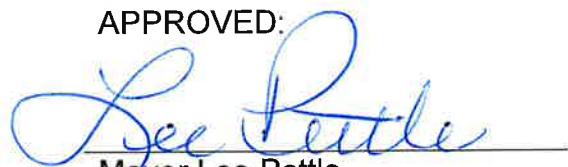


ATTESTED:



Patti Scott Grey, City Secretary

APPROVED:



Mayor Lee Pettle

Approved on the 19th day
of April, 2022.

Good evening council members. My name is Richard Williams and I live at 5105 Englenook Dr. This past Saturday I received an Email from Mayor Lee Pettle from her AOL account and as we all know she uses extensively for all her city of Parker Business. It was marked Confidential Do not Distribute. I have copies for each of you if you desire to see it. It was addressed to Candidate Edwin Smith. In this email you will see over 30 Parker Residents listed with commentary beside each name. The comments on Parker Residents included what people did, Residents Spouses, What Party they are members of how long people lived here, Accusation of who finances people, who is whose friend, And the most egregious thing, talking about People Kids and grandkids and their medical issues, Which could be a violation of the HIPPA Act. I am also concerned that the City Attorney was included since he is supposed to be Impartial in all matters and SHOULD NOT BE POLITICIZED! This is not a Republican, Democrat or Independent issue. It is a privacy issue.

I find this act of sharing residents of Parkers personal information with a specific candidate by the Mayor Reprehensible. Especially after she had reassured Council Members Lynch and Slaughter as well as many in the community that she was taking no sides. You can clearly see This is not the case. She lied to the council members but more importantly violated the trust of the Citizens of Parker.

Mayor, you had no right or authority to share mine or any others information with Candidate Smith. And Mr. Smith you do not have my permission to use that in any shape way form or fashion. If you choose to do so I will take legal action against you. What is most disturbing to me is the Sharing of Minors and their medical conditions to Mr. Smith. You have absolutely no right to be doing that.

I am concerned that any information I have requested in my FOI Request will be deleted and outside of a subpoena from the DA or Texas AG to AOL those records will be lost. The council Should force the mayor at minimum to use the Parker emails and servers so that we have control of all that information on our servers instead of her and AOL and her ability to delete files without the City's knowledge. I have contacted the DAs office and AGs office in this matter and have begun turning over documents to them for investigation into the mayors' activities and possible criminal activity. I have requested via FOI communications with Mr. Smith and when received I will share them with the Council, DA, AG and the residents of Parker. We all have a right to know if the mayor is systematically targeting citizens and sharing unauthorized private and personal information for Political purposes and other possible criminal activity. What other Lists are you keeping on Parker Citizens Mayor? What other things have been going on we

do not know about? You speak of Transparency Mayor this is the Exact opposite.

Mayor Pettle, I am not interested in apologies at this point the damage is done, besides I cannot trust what you are saying. I am calling for you to resign as Mayor immediately and withdraw from the mayor's race. You have broken the publics trust. You have outright lied to Council Members. You have lied to Citizens. As Mayor you should be representing ALL Parker citizens. This email clearly demonstrates that is not the case and your actions are a reflection on you and the City of Parker.

This is squarely on your shoulders. If you love Parker, you will resign and allow the city to begin restoring the city's reputation and Trust. It will be your choice if this gets worse or we begin to heal from this violation.

Day / Date: **Tuesday, April 5, 2022**

Attention: **City Council, Mayor, and City Administrator**

Subject: **Conduct of City Leadership**

Hello everyone,

My name is Elvis J. Nelson. I reside at 5802 Corinth Chapel Road in Parker Village. I have lived in Parker since 2009, a total of 13 years.

I want to express my appreciation to the Parker Fire Department and their very capable EMT team who saved my life in January of this year with their rapid response.

As I continue to recover from Long Term Covid Pneumonia, I often reflect on my Father - - also named Elvis Nelson. He did not go past 3rd grade with his education. He said the same thing in private as he said in public. He was a man of his word. He was a man of integrity.

For public officials at all levels of government - - whether the topic is the municipal building or campaign elections or candidates - - it is a non-negotiable expectation that City Leadership would act with integrity in all their dealings which is a higher standard than simply what the law might allow. Acting with integrity includes holding the same point of view in public as in private.

I encourage City Council to review recent actions by the Mayor to determine how best to move Parker forward.

I ask that my comments be included in the Council minutes.

Best regards,



Elvis Nelson

Patti Grey

From: Michael Slaughter
Sent: Tuesday, April 5, 2022 10:12 PM
To: Patti Grey; Luke Olson; Trey Lansford
Subject: Fwd: FYI: April 5th City Council Meeting - Parker Resident Comment

Michael Slaughter
Parker City Council

Begin forwarded message:

From: Jennifer Schmitt < >
Date: April 5, 2022 at 7:01:06 PM CDT
To: Cindy Meyer <CMeyer@parkertexas.us>, Terry Lynch <tlynch@parkertexas.us>, Jim Reed <jreed@parkertexas.us>, Diana Abraham <dabraham@parkertexas.us>
Cc: Lee Pettle <LPettle@parkertexas.us>, Michael Slaughter <mslaughter@parkertexas.us>
Subject: FYI: April 5th City Council Meeting - Parker Resident Comment

Please submit my comment, below, for official record in the April 5th Parker City Council Meeting.

Thank you,

Jennifer Schmitt

From: Jennifer Schmitt
Sent: Tuesday, April 5, 2022 6:57 PM
To: mslaughter@parkertexas.us
Subject: April 5th City Council Meeting - Comment
Importance: High

Dear Michael,

It was brought to my attention that Lee Pettle utilized information about Parker residents that she obtained in her public role as mayor and then shared privately with a candidate vying for public office. I have also been made aware that if she had not accidentally copied the Parker Residents that this would not have been brought to light as she was using her personal email address to distribute this personal information. These are both questionable activities in local government.

With all of the recent discrepancies in election integrity this is very concerning. Whether her intention was nefarious or not, the appearance of wrong doing is there and should be addressed. It brings into question what other information has she shared or actions has she taken that have been unethical and biased to certain political factions or individuals? Public officials are in place to represent the citizens in their district and should be held accountable for their actions. I don't believe Lee Pettle's actions are in keeping with someone I want to represent me and would like to see her step down from the office of Mayor for the City of Parker. I am not able to be at the council meeting tonight and could not find a place on the website to share my comment for the meeting. Please share my thoughts on my behalf.

Very respectfully,

Jennifer

Jennifer Schmitt
6000 Dumont Ct.

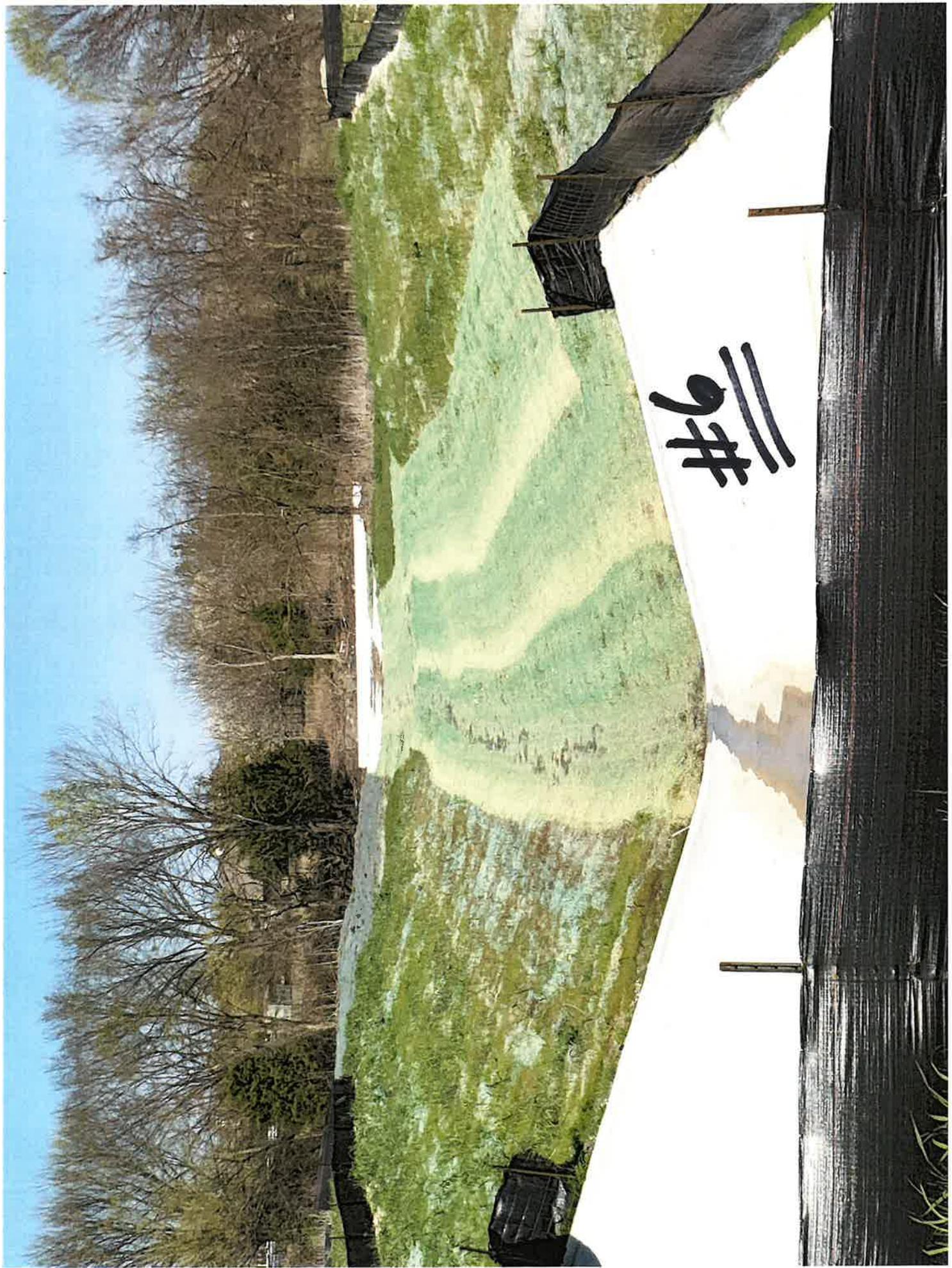
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Exhibit 4



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