# REAR OF 1385 WASHINGTON AVENUE STUDENT HOUSING PROJECT

City of Albany Albany County, N.Y.

# ENGINEER'S REPORT ON WATER SYSTEM

APPLICANTS: DMG Investments



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#### INTRODUCTION

Hershberg & Hershberg, Consulting Engineers and Land Surveyors, were retained by DMG Investments (hereinafter the "Applicant") as site engineer in conjunction with a proposal to build a dormitory building with a total of 319 +/- beds. This report is prepared to address the question of adequate of water service to the site.

#### **DESCRIPTION OF EXISTING SITE AND USE**

The 2.16 acres, which constitute the lot on which this project will be located, is currently vacant. There is an 0.45 +/- acre Federal wetland (Waters of the United States) on the site. It is crossed by a sewer easement occupied by a sanitary sewer of the Albany Water Board.

#### **DESCRIPTION OF INTENDED SITE DEVELOPMENT AND USE**

Applicant proposes to subdivide the property and create a new lot of 2.16 +/- acres. Applicant proposes to build a 5 story building as a dormitory under the Unified Sustained Development Ordinance. The development would consist of 184 +/- units which are a mixture of studios, 1 bedroom, 2 bedroom, 3 bedroom and 4 bedroom. There would be a total of 319 +/- beds. Below grade parking would be created beneath the 5 story building which would accommodate 92 +/- parking spaces. An additional 6 +/- spaces will be provided in surface lots.

# **WATER PRESSURE DATA**

The static pressure in the existing 8" water main within the easement over No.1395 Washington Avenue (Extended Stay America) is approximately 50 psi. A fire flow test is attached as Attachment A. The elevation of the hydrant where test was conducted is 248 +/-. The grade at the front of the proposed building is 236 +/-. A static pressure of 50 PSI may be used.

#### WATER DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM

The existing 8" DIP water main within the easement running through 1385 Washington Avenue will be extended to serve the proposed building at Rear of 1385 Washington Avenue. That main is connected to an 8" distribution main constructed in 1997. This 8" main was connected to both the 20" and 24" transmission lines. The recent addition of a Booster Station has increased available pressure. A water extension to support the installation of fire hydrants, fire protection and potable water will be made along this line.

#### WATER DEMAND

To compute the required water demand, the average water usage from two similar facilities, 1385 Washington Avenue & 1475 Washington Avenue, was utilized based upon billings provided by the City of Albany Department of Water & Water Supply. The results are shown in Fig. No. 1 below. This information was used to establish the demand from this site is shown in Fig. No. 2.

#### Computation from Similar Uses on Washington Avenue Extension 1385 Washington Avenue - 314 Beds

<u>Period</u>	Water Cost	100 Cubic F <u>Units</u>	eet Equivale Gallons		<u>Days</u>	Usage (GPD)
Computa	tion from Similar Uses 1385 Washington	•				
Period	Water Cost	100 Cubic Feet	Equivalent	D	11 (CD	0)
1/07/19 to 5/03/19	\$5,989.44	<u>Units</u> 2,260	Gallons	<u>Days</u>	Usage (GP	<u>הו</u>
5/04/19 to 9/08/19	\$5,067.36	1,912	1,692,864 1,432,246	118 118	14,346	
9/08/19 to 1/02/20	\$6,933.28	2,616	1,959,633	116	12,138 16,893	
1/02/20 to 5/04/20	\$6,143.58	2,259	1,691,743	124	13,643	
2,02,20 10 5,0 1,20	Ç0,243.30	2,233	Totals	124	57,020	
	Average Daily Usage	P	101015		14,255	
Αv	verage Daily Usage per				45	
Computa	tion from Similar Uses	on Washington A	Avenue Extension			
	1475 Washingto	n Avenue -292 Be	<u>eds</u>			
		100 Cubi- Fr A	Paritical and			
Period	Water Cost	100 Cubic Feet Units	<u>Equivalent</u> Gallons	D	D (CD)	0)
1/09/17 to 5/04/17	\$5,364.03	2,024	1,516,098	<u>Days</u> 117	Usage (GP)	TI
5/05/17 to 9/8/17	\$5,673.75	2,024	1,603,637		12,958	
9/8/17 to 1/08/18	\$6,327.90	2,388	1,788,527	125 122	12,829	
1/08/18 to 5/08/18	\$8,001.09	3,019	2,261,440	122	14,660	
5/09/18 to 9/04/18	\$7,510.71	2,834	2,122,838	121	18,536 17,544	
9/05/18 to 1/7/19	\$7,067.49	2,667	1,997,566	121	16,109	
1/07/19 to 5/03/19	\$6,318.56	2,384	1,785,887	118	15,135	
5/04/19 to 9/03/19	\$7,216.16	2,723	2,039,586	121	16,856	
9/03/19 to 1/02/20	\$8,268.80	3,120	2,337,106	121	19,315	
1/02/20 to 5/04/19	\$8,121.69	2,986	2,236,451	124	18,036	
1,02,20 (0 3,04,13	70,121.07	2,500	Totals	124	69.342	
	Average Daily Usage	<b>a</b>	Totals		17,335	
Δ.	verage Daily Usage per				<u>17,555</u> 55	
					22	
Based on rates:	\$2.72 per 100 CF	Eff 1/1/20				

2.65 per 100 CF Prior to 1/1/20

## POTABLE WATER USE Rear of 1385 Washington Avenue

			Sewage Generation	Daily Sewage	
			Per Unit per day(GPD)	<u>Geneation</u>	
<u>Use</u>	<u>Unit</u>	<u>Value</u>	See Note 1	<u>(GPD)</u>	
Residential	Beds	319	55	17545	
TOTAL ESTI	17545				
	17545				
Average Daily Water Use in GPM		12.18			
Peak Water Use in GPM 48.7					
1) Source: Averages of uses for 1385 and 1475 Washington Avenue					

Fig. No. 2 – Increase in Water Demand

#### **IMPACT ON WATER SYSTEM**

The total water treated in 2019 at the Feura Bush Water Filtration Plant was 6,473,227,216 gallons. The daily water production averaged 17,734,869 gallons, with maximum daily production of 22,272,288 gallons. The capacity of this treatment plant is 32,000,000 GPD. The increase in potable water demand is 17,545 GPD represents an insignificant portion of (0.099%) of the average daily water production.

#### **FIRE PROTECTION**

The new buildings will be equipped with automatic sprinkler systems. The water service will be separated within the buildings to provide domestic water and fire protection. Backflow preventors, meters and valves will be provided as required. Fire pumps will be required.

#### **CORROSIVITY**

Due to the relatively low pH levels and moisture content in the sub-surface soils, the soil most likely would provide corrosive environment to the proposed ductile iron pipe. Therefore, all pipe will be encased in a polyethylene sleeve to prevent pipe deterioration. No quantitative tests have been performed to substantiate the corrosivity of the soil.

## **FINANCING**

All water main improvements including hydrants, connections and service line will be paid for by the Applicants.

# **CONCLUSION:**

Given the recent addition of a booster station to the system, adequate water quantity and water pressure are available for both potable water and fire protection without any negative impact on the Albany Water Board's system.

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# APPENDIX A FIRE HYDRANT TEST

ID .				20		
r				36 		
Location						
1395 Washington ave						
Date By	Represent	ing Wit	Witnessed By			
10/5/2020 G Jones	AWD	O Po	O Powell			
Purpose of Test	System Demand M	System Demand MGD				
Hershberg & Hershberg	23MGD					
Pumps In Operation						
NA AV						
Pressure Regulated Zo	ne					
Flow Hydrant Location						
1395 Washington ave HYD 5	58649					
Nozzle Size	Number of Nozzles		re Pitot Flow C	<i>FPM</i>		
2.5	1	35	1000			
Total Flow GPM						
1000						
Residual Hydrant Loc	ation					
Rear of 1395 Washington H						
Static Pressure PSI	Residual Pressure	PSI Fire Flow a	Fire Flow at 20 psi			
50	42	2042		<u>,,, ,, ,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,</u>		
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Hydrants fed off of 8" main						
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