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August 16, 2013

Ms. Barbara Barhydt Development Review Services Manager Planning and Development Department City of Portland, Maine 389 Congress Street Portland, Maine 04101-3509

**Subject:** Canal Landing New Yard – Phase 1

40 West Commercial Street Applicant: New Yard, LLC Amended Site Plan Application

#### Dear Barbara:

On behalf of New Yard, LLC (New Yard), we are pleased to provide the accompanying Amended Site Plan Application and related Performance Guarantee information. New Yard LLC is proposing an amended Phasing Plan that will allow them to move forward with a limited number of activities this summer/fall under the coverage of an abbreviated Performance Guarantee posting. We understand this requires Planning Board approval. You may recall per our February 15, 2013 Condition Compliance Letter #1 we previously addressed the Portland Planning Board's Conditions of Approval #4, 6 and 8. The applicant is now moving forward with a limited amount of site activities that will enable them to partially occupy the site. As you may know, New Yard completed the property closings with Unitil and Portland Terminal in late July. New Yard is now proposing to perform a narrow scope of activities within the next 4 to 6 weeks with the intent of occupying the site on a limited basis. They do not foresee executing the full Phase 1 development plan as approved at least until the spring/summer 2014. As you know, the West Commercial Street property is currently under consideration for expansion activities related to the International Marine Terminal (IMT). For this reason, New Yard does not want to commence the full Phase 1 development program, since there are uncertainties as to what may ultimately occur within the easterly portions of the New Yard development site. However, New Yard is also interested in immediate site use. This will include limited out of water vessel placement, and boat repair activities.

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New Yard proposes to complete the following Phase 1A activities in the upcoming weeks:

- Grassing cutting and general site cleanup;
- Select brush and tree removal with observance of the tree save plan originally approved;
- Removal of a portion of the abandoned rail tracks east of the NGL driveway;
- Removal and resetting of a chain link fence along the Commercial Street frontage. The fence is intended to provide improved security around the site and will simply place a fence line closer to the street line along much of the site frontage from the NGL driveway, east to the existing shared driveway with the MaineDOT;
- Processing of salvaged concrete that will be crushed and reinforcement removed for general use as inert site fill. This quantity of material is generally less than 3,000 CY;
- Placement of a small portable temporary construction trailer with power service;
- Pile removal and/or cutting at the mud line within most of the remnant pier limits across the site waterfront. The piles will likely be stockpiled on the site for future reuse, or disposed of if unsuitable for reuse;
- Ground stabilization and restoration to the existing shorefront granite revetment west of
  the Unitil frontage. Numerous granite blocks need to be reset along the top of the wall
  and ground area behind the wall that has been eroded due to ongoing water exposure will
  be repaired. The plan includes minor subgrade preparation behind the wall and the
  placement of geotextile material followed by the restoration of granular backfill to the top
  of wall grade;
- Installation of the westerly boat ramp and floats for vessel staging and extraction. This will include CIP or precast planks and slope stabilization in the vicinity of the ramp and pile reuse or replacement; and
- Installation of a temporary tension fabric structure that can be relocated. New Yard's objective is to install the fabric building within the existing footprint of the existing concrete pad, located at the west side of the site. The concrete pad was formerly a clay storage site, thus it is hoped that the pad can be beneficially reused for these temporary conditions. New Yard does not desire to place the structure at the originally designed location until issues including Unitil's completion of VRAP cleanup and the IMT expansion are more fully resolved.

In addition, the following will continue to occur:

- New Yard will continue to use the existing shared easterly entrance off Commercial Street for site access:
- Energy East/NGL will continue to operate the existing propane distribution facility and access drive opposite Beach Street;

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- Pan Am will continue to use the tracks into the Energy East/NGL site; and
- Unitil will continue remediation activities on their lands, including box waste removal and granular fill placement.

Work not currently contemplated until more definitive direction on the IMT expansion is determined includes the following Phase 1B activities:

- No significant earthmoving activities;
- No permanent underground utilities will be installed;
- No permanent buildings including the Operations and Maintenance building or Yacht Sales building will be constructed;
- The permanent boat yard surface will not be placed until at least the summer 2014;
- The travel lift basin will not be constructed; and
- The easterly boat ramp will not be constructed.

New Yard is also interested in the realigned placement of a building on the property. New Yard's objective is to install a tension fabric or prefabricated metal building within or near the footprint of the existing concrete pad, located at the west side of the site. The concrete pad was formerly a clay storage site, thus it is hoped that the pad can be beneficially reused for these temporary conditions. New Yard does not desire to place the structure at the originally designed location until issues including Unitil's completion of VRAP clean up and the IMT expansion are more fully resolved. We understand that this amended building alignment requires additional staff and Planning Board review and we are currently preparing a supplemental application package for these plans. We expect to submit plans and supporting materials within the next few weeks as we seek Board approval in late September or early October for the building amendment. This issue will be covered under another amendment application.

The accompanying annotated plans illustrate the scope of work currently contemplated. Items to be completed this summer/fall are identified as Phase 1A activities, while work to be performed at a later time include the remaining approved elements now identified as Phase 1B.

On the basis of these phased activities, New Yard is seeking to post a Performance Guarantee for Phase 1A activities, reflective of a limited work scope, at least until such time that more definitive plans for the IMT expansion are developed. New Yard fully expects and agrees to post a more expansive Performance Guarantee for the remaining Phase 1B work not definitively scheduled, once the IMT expansion is more fully understood. The accompanying Draft Performance Guarantee form covers those items outlined above as the initial Phase 1A activities that New Yard is proposing to complete. We recognize the original conditions of approval include several items linked to the issuance of a building permit and it is New Yard's intent to satisfy these items in advance or part of any building permit submission. We also recognize that

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the original approved development plans did not contemplate this phased approach to the work. However, this is now crucial, as New Yard needs to initiate limited site use based on their business needs and operations. Pending your review of these materials, New Yard will be initiating one or more site meetings with involved utilities, contractors and City representatives to discuss work scheduling, timelines and other construction administration over the next few weeks. We understand with this submission that the City may place this request on the Planning Board's August 27<sup>th</sup> meeting agenda. If successfully reviewed at that time, New Yard is prepared to submit the remaining Performance Guarantee materials to the Planning Authority on the next day in order to expedite commencement of project activity.

We appreciate the Planning Authority's consideration on these matters and look forward to commencement of the project. If you have any questions or require any additional information, please contact our office.

Sincerely,

FAY, SPOFFORD & THORNDIKE, LLC

Stephen Bushey, P.E., C.P.E.S.C.

Senior Engineer

SRB/smk

Enclosures: Draft Performance Guarantee forms

Amended Site Plan Depicting Phasing

c: Bill Needelman, City Planning
 Phin Sprague, New Yard LLC
 Bob Flight, New Yard LLC
 Peter Plumb, Murray, Plumb and Murray

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# Level III – Preliminary and Final Site Plans Development Review Application Portland, Maine

Planning and Urban Development Department Planning Division

Portland's Planning and Urban Development Department coordinates the development review process for site plan, subdivision and other applications under the City's Land Use Code. Attached is the application form for a Level II: Preliminary or Final Site Plan. Please note that Portland has delegated review from the State of Maine for reviews under the Site Location of Development Act, Chapter 500 Stormwater Permits, and Traffic Movement Permits.

## Level III: Site Plan Development includes:

- New structures with a total floor area of 10,000 sq. ft. or more except in Industrial Zones.
- New structures with a total floor area of 20,000 sq. ft. or more in Industrial Zones.
- New temporary or permanent parking area(s) or paving of existing unpaved parking areas for more than 75 vehicles.
- Building addition(s) with a total floor area of 10,000 sq. ft. or more (cumulatively within a 3 year period) except in Industrial Zones.
- Building addition(s) with a total floor area of 20,000 sq. ft. or more in Industrial Zones.
- A change in the use of a total floor area of 20,000 sq. ft. or more in any existing building (cumulatively within a 3 year period).
- Multiple family development (3 or more dwelling units) or the addition of any additional dwelling unit if subject to subdivision review.
- Any new major or minor auto business in the B-2 or B-5 Zone, or the construction of any new major or minor auto business greater than 10,000 sq. ft. of building area in any other permitted zone.
- Correctional prerelease facilities.
- Park improvements: New structures greater than 10,000 sq. ft. and/or facilities encompassing 20,000 sq. ft. or more (excludes rehabilitation or replacement of existing facilities); new nighttime outdoor lighting of sports, athletic or recreation facilities not previously illuminated.
- Land disturbance of 3 acres or more (includes stripping, grading, grubbing, filling or excavation).

The Land Use Code (including Article V), the Technical Manual, and the Design Manual are available on the City's web site at <a href="http://www.portlandmaine.gov/planning/default.asp">http://www.portlandmaine.gov/planning/default.asp</a>

Planning Division
Fourth Floor, City Hall
389 Congress Street
(207) 874-8721 or 874-8719

Office Hours Monday thru Friday 8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

**PROJECT NAME:** Canal Landing New Yard Boat Maintenance Facility

#### **PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT ADDRESS:**

40 West Commercial Street, Portland, Maine 04101

#### **PROJECT DESCRIPTION:**

Phased redevelopment of former industrial site into a boat and ship repair and maintenance facility

and related mix-use activities. Current submission is for amended project phasing.

59-A - 5,6,9,10

**CHART/BLOCK/LOT**: <u>59</u>-A-2

59-A-2 59-A-1, 3, 4, 7, 8, 11, 12

PRELIMINARY PLAN

July 2012 (date) (date)

**FINAL PLAN** 

#### **CONTACT INFORMATION:**

Applicant – must be owner, Lessee or Buyer	Applicant Contact Information		
Name: New Yard, LLC	Work # 207-774-1067		
Business Name, if applicable:	Home#		
Address: 58 Fore Street	Cell # Fax# 207-774-7035		
City/State: Portland, ME Zip Code: 04101	e-mail: www.portlandyacht.com		
Owner – (if different from Applicant)	Owner Contact Information		
Northern Utilities, Inc. d/b/a Unitil and New Yard, LLC	Work# 603-773-6459		
Address: 6 Liberty Lane West/58 Fore Street	Home#		
City/State: Portland, ME Zip Code: 04101	Cell # Fax#		
	e-mail:		
Agent/ Representative	Agent/Representative Contact information		
Name: Stephen R. Bushey, P.E./FST, LLC	Work # 207-775-1121		
Address: 778 Main Street, Suite 8	Cell # 207-756-9359		
City/State: Portland, ME Zip Code: 04106	e-mail: sbushey@fstinc.com		
Billing Information	Billing Information		
Name: c/o Portland Yacht Services	Work # 207-774-1067		
Address: 58 Fore Street	Cell # Fax# 207-774-7035		
City/State: Portland, ME Zip Code: 04101	e-mail:		

Engineer	Engineer Contact Information			
Name: FST, LLC	Work # 207-775-1121			
Address: 778 Main Street, Suite 8	Cell # 207-756-9359 Fax# 207-879-0896			
City/State :So. Portland, ME Zip Code: 04106	e-mail: sbushey@fstinc.com			
Surveyor	Surveyor Contact Information			
Name: Owen Haskell Inc.	Work# 207-774-0424			
Address: 390 US Route 1, Unit 10	Cell # Fax# 207-774-0511			
City/State : Falmouth, ME Zip Code: 04105	e-mail: jswan@owenhaskell.com			
Architect	Architect Contact Information			
Name: TFH Architects	Work # 207-775-6141			
Address: 80 Middle Street	Cell # Fax# 207-773-0194			
City/State : Portland, ME Zip Code: 04101	e-mail:			
Attorney	Attorney Contact Information			
Murray, Plumb and Murray  Name: Peter Plumb, Esq.	Work# 207-773-5651			
Address: 75 Pearl Street, Suite 300	Cell # Fax# 207-773-8023			
City/State: Portland, ME Zip Code: 04101	e-mail: pplumb@mpmlaw.com			

# **APPLICATION FEES:**

Check all reviews that apply. (Payment may be made by Cash or Check payable to the City of Portland.)

Level III Development (check applicable reviews)	Other Reviews (check applicable reviews)
Less than 50,000 sq. ft. (\$500.00)	
50,000 - 100,000 sq. ft. (\$1,000)	Traffic Movement (\$1,000)
100,000 – 200,000 sq. ft. (\$2,000)	Stormwater Quality (\$250)
200,000 – 300,000 sq. ft. (\$3,000)	Subdivisions (\$500 + \$25/lot)
over \$300,00 sq. ft. (\$5,000)	# of Lots x \$25/lot =
Parking lots over 11 spaces (\$1,000)	Site Location (\$3,000, except for
After-the-fact Review (\$1,000.00 plus	residential projects which shall be
applicable application fee)	\$200/lot)
	# of Lots x \$200/lot =
Plan Amendments (check applicable reviews)	Other
Planning Staff Review (\$250)	Change of Use
X Planning Board Review (\$500)	Flood Plain
	Shoreland
The City invoices separately for the following:	Design Review
Notices (\$.75 each)	Housing Replacement
<ul> <li>Legal Ad (% of total Ad)</li> </ul>	Historic Preservation
<ul> <li>Planning Review (\$40.00 hour)</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Legal Review (\$75.00 hour)</li> </ul>	
Third party review fees are assessed separately. Any outside	
reviews or analysis requested from the Applicant as part of the	
development review, are the responsibility of the Applicant and	
are separate from any application or invoice fees.	

#### **APPLICATION SUBMISSION:**

- All site plans and written application materials must be submitted electronically on a CD or DVD with each plan submitted as separate files, with individual file names (see submittal requirements document attached).
- 2. In addition, one (1) paper set of the plans (full size), one (1) paper set of plans (11 x 17), paper copy of written materials, and the application fee must be submitted to the Planning Division Office to start the review process.

The application must be complete, including but not limited to the contact information, project data, application checklists, wastewater capacity, plan for fire department review, and applicant signature. The submissions shall include one (1) paper packet with folded plans containing the following materials:

- 1. One (1) full size site plans that must be folded.
- 2. One (1) copy of all written materials or as follows, unless otherwise noted:
  - a. Application form that is completed and signed.
  - b. Cover letter stating the nature of the project.
  - c. All Written Submittals (Sec. 14-525 2. (c), including evidence of right, title and interest.
- 3. A stamped standard boundary survey prepared by a registered land surveyor at a scale not less than one inch to 50 feet
- 4. Plans and maps based upon the boundary survey and containing the information found in the attached sample plan checklist.
- 5. One (1) set of plans reduced to 11 x 17.

#### Refer to the application checklist for a detailed list of submission requirements.

Portland's development review process and requirements are outlined in the Land Use Code (Chapter 14), which includes the Subdivision Ordinance (Section 14-491) and the Site Plan Ordinance (Section 14-521). Portland's Land Use Code is on the City's web site <a href="http://www.portlandmaine.gov/citycode/chapter014.pdf">http://www.portlandmaine.gov/citycode/chapter014.pdf</a>

#### **APPLICANT SIGNATURE:**

I hereby certify that I am the Owner of record of the named property, or that the owner of record authorizes the proposed work and that I have been authorized by the owner to make this application as his/her authorized agent. I agree to conform to all applicable laws of this jurisdiction. In addition, if a permit for work described in this application is issued, I certify that the Planning Authority and Code Enforcement's authorized representative shall have the authority to enter all areas covered by this permit at any reasonable hour to enforce the provisions of the codes applicable to this permit.

This application is for a Level II Site Plan review. It is not a permit to begin construction. An approved site plan, a Performance Guarantee, Inspection Fee, Building Permit, and associated fees will be required prior to construction. Other Federal, State or local permits may be required prior to construction, which are the responsibility of the applicant to obtain.

Signatur	Date:
Style Sister	August 16, 2013

# **PROJECT DATA**

The following information is required where applicable, in order to complete the application.

Total Area of Site	22.5 ac. <del>sq. ft.</del>				
Proposed Total Disturbed Area of the Site	Phase 1A - 100,000 sq. ft.				
If the proposed disturbance is greater than one acre, then the appli	icant shall apply for a Maine Construction General Permit				
(MCGP) with DEP and a Stormwater Management Permit, Chapter	500, with the City of Portland				
Impervious Surface Area					
Impervious Area (Total Existing)	287,704 sq. ft.				
Impervious Area (Total Proposed)	255,598 sq. ft.				
Building Ground Floor Area and Total Floor Area					
Building Footprint (Total Existing)	0 sq. ft.				
Building Footprint (Total Existing)  Building Footprint (Total Proposed)	41,617 sq. ft.				
Building Floor Area (Total Existing)	0 sq. ft.				
Building Floor Area (Total Existing)  Building Floor Area (Total Proposed)					
building Floor Area (Total Proposed)	41,617 sq. ft.				
Zoning					
Existing	WPDZ				
Proposed, if applicable	Same				
Land Use					
Existing	LP Gas Distribution (to remain)				
Proposed	Boat Maintenance Facility				
-10-2-2-	Boat Walltonarios Facility				
Residential, If applicable	N/A				
# of Residential Units (Total Existing)					
# of Residential Units (Total Proposed)					
# of Lots (Total Proposed)					
# of Affordable Housing Units (Total Proposed)					
Proposed Bedroom Mix	N/A				
# of Efficiency Units (Total Proposed)					
# of One-Bedroom Units (Total Proposed)					
# of Two-Bedroom Units (Total Proposed)					
# of Three-Bedroom Units (Total Proposed)					
	0				
Parking Spaces	Unspecified parking for up to 50 outside				
# of Parking Spaces (Total Existing)	employees				
# of Parking Spaces (Total Proposed)					
# of Handicapped Spaces (Total Proposed)					
Bicycle Parking Spaces					
# of Bicycle Spaces (Total Existing)	0				
# of Bicycle Spaces (Total Existing)  # of Bicycle Spaces (Total Proposed)	Waiver Requested				
	Trail of Requested				
Estimated Cost of Project	\$1 - 2 Million				

# SUBDIVISION/SITE DEVELOPMENT Cost Estimate of Improvements to be covered by Performance Guarantee

Date: 08-12-13

Name of Project:	Canal Landing New Yard				
Address/Location:	40 West Commercial Street				
Application ID #:	#2012-575				
Developer:	New Yard, LLC				
Form of Performance Guarantee:					
Type of Development:	Subdivision Site Plan (Level I, II or III) _Level III				

## TO BE FILLED OUT BY THE APPLICANT:

			PUBLIC			PRIVATE	
<u>Item</u>		Quantity	<u>Unit Cost</u>	Subtotal	Quantity	<u>Unit Cost</u>	Subtotal
1.	STREET/SIDEWALK Road/Parking Areas Curbing Sidewalks Esplanades Monuments Street Lighting Street Opening Repairs Other - Boat Ramp/Floats				1 	LS	\$30,000   \$165,000
2.	EARTH WORK Cut Fill				3,000 CY	\$15/CY	\$6,000
3.	SANITARY SEWER Manholes Piping Connections Main Line Piping House Sewer Service Piping Pump Stations Other						
4.	WATER MAINS						
5.	STORM DRAINAGE Manholes Catchbasins Piping Detention Basin Stormwater Quality Units Other						

6.	SITE LIGHTING					
7.	EROSION CONTROL Silt Fence Check Dams Pipe Inlet/Outlet Protection	on		1,000 LF 	\$3/LF	\$3,000
	Level Lip Spreader Slope Stabilization Geotextile Hay Bale Barriers Catch Basin Inlet Protect	ion			\$50/CY	\$27,500
8.	RECREATION AND OPEN SPACE AMENIT	IES				
9.	LANDSCAPING (Attach breakdown of pla materials, quantities, and costs)					
10.	MISCELLANEOUS			1	LS	\$20,000
	TOTAL:			\$251,500		
	GRAND TOTAL:					
INS	SPECTION FEE (to be fi	lled out by the City)	PRIVATE	то	TAL	
	A: 2.0% of totals:	I OBLIC	IRIVATE	10	IAL	
	or					
I	B: Alternative Assessment:					
	Assessed by:	(name)	(name)			