

August 4, 2010

City of Las Vegas
Planning and Development Department
731 S. 4th Street.
Las Vegas, Nevada 89101

RE: APN: 162-01-801-022

Re: A. Site Development Review

To whom it may concern:

Fairway Chevrolet and Fairway GMC/Buick auto dealerships are located on an existing 17.01 acre site at 3100 and 3222 E. Sahara (APN 162-01-801-022). Both dealerships are existing and are housed in aging structures totaling approximately 145,000 sf. We are requesting a Site Development Review to construct new façade upgrades and an expansion to the existing GMC/Buick showroom, a new Chevrolet showroom and parts building, a new service writer's building and an addition to the service building. We feel this project will be a tremendous catalyst to help jumpstart the revitalization of the eastern end of Sahara in Las Vegas. The property is currently zoned C-2. No change to the zoning is desired or required. On site uses include Motor Vehicle Sales (New), Motor Vehicle Sales (Used), Auto Repair Garage (Major), Auto Paint and Body Repair Shop, Auto parts, Automobile Rental and Truck Rental.

Currently, this development employs 155 sales people, technicians and other support staff. The facility's hours of operation are Monday through Saturday 7am-9pm.

This project is part of the General Motors dealership improvement program and will be completed in phases so that the major operations of the dealerships can remain intact during construction. The first phase of the project is to enclose the existing covered patio of the GMC/Buick dealership to create a larger showroom and to complete façade upgrades to match the new GMC Buick/prototypical standards. This building is labeled as "Building #13" on the site plan. We are requesting that phase one of the project related to building #13 be independent of the rest of the project and not be tied to the approvals of any drainage studies, traffic studies etc.

Phases two and three of the project will include demolishing buildings 6, 8, 9 and 11 (labeled as such on the site plan and totaling approximately +/-45,000 sf) and then building an entirely new structure to house the Chevrolet Showroom, customer lounge and parts sales and then adding on to the south side of Building #10 to create additional service bays and constructing a new service writer's building. The new Chevrolet showroom, service writer's building and the service building will be connected with a new canopy to unify the view from Sahara, to create a cohesive campus and to help with way finding. Building #5 (Body Shop) will now be visible from the street and will receive only minor treatments such as paint, new signage and metal panels to match the new prototypical standards. All new mechanical units will be screened from public view. New construction totals approximately +/- 77,000 sf making the net square footage increase for onsite structures approximately +/-32,000sf.

Customer access to the site is directly off of Sahara via five existing driveways. We are requesting that all driveways remain as is and no work will be done within the right of way. Code required parking is provided in addition to the parking provided for the vehicles on display. New vehicles are delivered to the site via semi-trucks. These trucks pull onto Fairway Place and offload the vehicles from there. No vehicle unloading is done from Sahara.

On site refuse is collected and taken to a compactor behind building #8. Republic services exchanges an empty bin for the full bin on site.

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This dealership has been operating since the late 1960's and was rezoned in 1987. At that time, the site was approved with no landscape buffer on the north, east or west sides and with a 5'-0" buffer containing "Astroturf" along Sahara. Over the years, the "Astroturf" has been removed and replaced with concrete and solar light poles. We are requesting a waiver of the original 5'-0" landscape buffer so that the concrete will remain as it is. We feel this waiver is justified since there are existing power poles along the north side of Sahara that could be affected by the addition of trees and other landscaping. In addition, landscaping along Sahara would block the customer's view of the display vehicles. Therefore, we have located on site landscaping set in from the street creating a buffer between the new car display and the customer parking. In lieu of the buffer adjacent to the street we have added approximately 13,000 sf of landscaping including 19 Mexican Fan Palms and other associated shrubs and ground cover within the new car display and customer parking areas and have added enhanced landscaping at the corners of the main buildings.

General Motors is encouraging all of its dealerships to utilize and incorporate Green building strategies. For this project we will attempt to incorporate water and energy saving measures such as the utilization of skylights, occupancy sensors, drought tolerant landscaping, insulated windows, light colored paint, appropriately sized mechanical units and charging stations for electric cars.

We feel this project meets and supports existing city regulations for Site Development Plans. This development is being upgraded aesthetically to be compatible with other development in the area and it is generally consistent with Title 19 standards. Site access has been improved with the addition of the service writer's building in that all service customers will know to come to a central location.

We have made every attempt to follow City of Las Vegas Title 19. Please join us in our attempt to bring much-needed high caliber product to Las Vegas residents.

Respectfully Submitted,



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