Date: June 27, 2019

To: President Johnson and City Commissioners

From: Devils Lake Planning Commission

Re: Recommendation for conditional use permit

The Devils Lake Planning Commission took action at their June 27, 2019 meeting to recommend approval of a conditional use permit to allow a machine shop and fabrication of metal products at 122 College Dr N, with all bulk materials being stored inside or within a privacy fence.
APPLICATION FOR PLANNING COMMISSION HEARING
City of Devils Lake

Name of Applicant: Lone Tree Designs, Eric Aasmundstad
Phone: 701-351-2612

Address: 110 Palmer Rd Devils LAKE

Name of Property Owner: George Durbin, Richard Durbin, POA

Property Address: 122 College Dr. North

Legal description: Lot 1 Block 2 Railroad Subdivision

Describe project (attach sketch of plan): The business would consist of a retail store front and office space combined with a packaging and Powell Coat area in the Spring - Summer adding an additional for fabrication.

Type of action requested: ✓ Conditional use permit  __ Subdivision approval  
___ Vacation of right of way  ___ Change in zoning  __ Other

Explain why you feel your request should be granted: The location would be great for our business and a great addition to College Dr. and the city of Devils LAKE.

I certify that the above information is, to the best of my knowledge, accurate and complete. I understand that any false or inaccurate statements may constitute grounds for revocation of any action taken on the basis of this information.

Applicant’s signature: [Signature]
Date: [Date]

Owner’s signature: [Signature] POA George Durbin
Date: 5-21-19

Applicant or applicant’s representative must attend public hearing.

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Date of hearing: 5-27-19  Fee Paid: 

Request: ___ approved  ___ denied  ___ tabled  ___ withdrawn  ___ other

Comments: ____________________________

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Lone Tree Designs is in the business of manufacturing and distributing metal garden art and home décor. Our processes consist of plasma cutting, welding, and powder coating metals. Along with these processes we also rust and weather many items but that is done off site at our farm as it involves muratic acid in dip vats.

While some smoke and dust is associated with these processes it is very minimal and will pose no quality of life issues for any adjoining properties. The powder coating process requires steam cleaning and will produce a visible steam discharge during cold weather venting. Powder coating also requires the storage of colored powder. These powders are non toxic and non flammable, the workers wear dust masks working in close to the items while coating. The excess powder is trapped in filters and poses no risk to the public.

Plasma cutting is electric arc and air, the metal is cut over water that traps in excess of 80% of the smoke produced. So the smoke produced is nearly undetectable when exhausted and poses no risk to the public. The vast majority of our cutting is done with a shear, saws, grinders, or a hand held plasma cutter. While very little cutting is done with acetylene torch we do have oxygen and acetylene on site as we use an acetylene torch for one of our coloring processes involving heat. At any given time we may have 2-4 bottles of oxygen and acetylene on site. We also have 2-4 bottles of argon/co2 stored on site for use with our wire welders.

We do have cause to have denatured alcohol on site used for cleaning but is in quantities less than 2 gallons.
The project we are planning for the property at 122 College Drive North will involve a couple of different stages starting as soon as possible with the remodel of the current structure. The street front of the current structure will be converted to reconfigured office space and a retail store front. The remainder of the current building will be converted to a powder coating shop with an area for packaging items for shipping. In the spring of 2018, as soon as conditions allow we will construct a new building, adjacent to the existing building that will house a state of the art fabrication shop.

We believe this will have benefit to the public as our manufactured items are extremely popular and will give Lake Region residents access to unique items not found elsewhere in the area. Furthermore this project will bring an attractive store front to College Drive along with 5-7 full time jobs. Lone Tree Designs and our families look forward to continuing as active members of the community and have no intention of slowing down our donations to community events and causes. We are excited about the opportunity to move into Devils Lake and becoming part of the Devils Lake business community.
26 June 2019

Lone Tree Designs

In reviewing and discussing the proposal by the above company the Fire department has no issues with the storage of the minimal gases used in this process. The overall operation of this business poses no issues to the area. Questions or concerns may be directed to my office at 701 662 3913 or jimm@dvind.com.

Jim Moe, Fire Chief