

**Case File No. 12-0024**





July 9, 2012

Bryan Schafer  
Community Development Coordinator  
City of Blaine  
10801 Town Square Drive  
Blaine, MN 55449

**RE: Operations Modification for the Shamrock Transfer and Recycling Facility  
CUP Resolution No. 06-200**

Dear Mr. Schafer:

Shamrock Recycling and Transfer, LLC (Shamrock) is proposing to modify the operations of the existing construction and demolition (C&D) transfer station located at 3280 99<sup>th</sup> Court NE, Blaine, Minnesota. This transfer station was originally approved by the City of Blaine (City) in 2001 with an amended Conditional Use Permit (CUP) Resolution No. 06-200 approved by the City on August 3, 2006. The requested changes consist of the removal of the automated C&D equipment and the additional capacity to transfer municipal solid waste (MSW) and single stream recycling (SSR). These changes are being requested to enable Shamrock to better serve the local community and to support the ever increasing efforts to increase residential and commercial recycling.

For your reference, I have attached the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) Application for a Permit Modification of the Shamrock Transfer and Recycling Facility that was submitted to the MPCA on July 9, 2012. We are requesting a meeting with the City to discuss the necessary steps required to gain approval from the City for the above described modifications. I will contact you in the next few days to set up a time to meet, but if you have questions in the meantime please feel free to contact me via email at [billkeegan@dem-con.com](mailto:billkeegan@dem-con.com) or at 952-224-7102.

Sincerely,

William P. Keegan, P. E.  
Vice President  
Dem-Con Companies



**CITY OF BLAINE**

**RESOLUTION NO. 01-141**

**GRANTING A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT  
PER SECTION 31.14 (e) OUTSIDE STORAGE  
OF THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF BLAINE  
AND CHAPTER 10, ARTICLE VI, WASTE TRANSFER FACILITIES  
OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF BLAINE**

**WHEREAS**, an application has been filed by Shamrock Development (Richard and Becky Gersdorf) as conditional use permit Case File No. 01-15; and

**WHEREAS**, a public hearing has been held by the Blaine Planning Commission on July 10, 2001; and

**WHEREAS**, the Blaine Planning Commission recommends said conditional use permit be approved; and

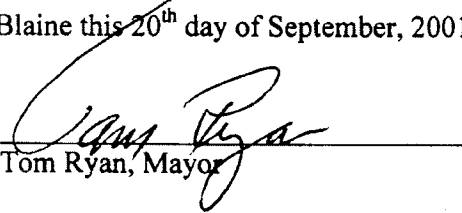
**WHEREAS**, the Blaine City Council has reviewed said case on September 20, 2001.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the City Council of the City of Blaine that a conditional use permit is hereby approved per Section 31.14 (e) of the Zoning Ordinance to allow outside storage of empty roll-off containers and two buildings on one lot; and per Chapter 10, Article VI, of the Code of Ordinances to allow operation of a waste transfer station for recycling of demolition materials at Naples Street/99<sup>th</sup> Avenue Alignment NE, based on the following conditions:

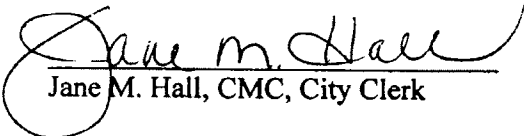
1. Site grading plan to be developed with every effort taken to preserve maximum number of existing trees at site perimeter. Site plan approval is required prior to any site activity. Construction limits to be detailed on final site plan.
2. Perimeter of outside storage to be fenced with 6-foot tall chain link fencing.
3. Outside roll-off dumpsters to be located west of the office/maintenance building and limited in area to not more than 57,000 square feet. This area is allowed to be a Class V surface. Outside overnight storage of trucks limited to no more than five.
4. Provision for onsite hydrant(s) at necessary locations as directed by the Fire Marshal as part of site plan approval.
5. All building construction to meet the I-2 (Heavy Industrial) zoning standards.
6. Applicant to provide City with copy of any written comments regarding site or operational issues received from any other regulatory agencies within five business days.

7. The solid waste transfer facility shall be operated in accordance with all applicable local, state and federal laws, rules and regulations regarding, but not limited to, groundwater pollution, water quality, air pollution, noise, odors, vibration or solid waste.
8. The solid waste transfer facility shall be operated in accordance with the attached narrative from Shamrock Disposal dated June 8, 2001.
9. Applicant shall be responsible for litter control and clean-up along roadways leading to transfer facility site including Naples Street from 95<sup>th</sup> Avenue to 101<sup>st</sup> Avenue, 101<sup>st</sup> Avenue from Naples Street to County State Aid Highway 52, and County State Aid Highway 52 from Interstate 35W to 105<sup>th</sup> Avenue.
10. Landscape plan be amended to meet the criteria outlined by Chapter 10, Article VI with 50% (based on 50/50 split between waste transfer site and typical industrial use) of the plantings increased in size to meet the over-sizing requirements. Landscape plan to address screening of container storage through selective retention of existing poplar trees and installation of climbing vines (Riverbank Grape/Virginia Creeper) attached to the required chain link fencing. Landscape plan to add an additional six overstory and six conifer trees to meet ordinance requirements.
11. Site plan be modified to show concrete curb and gutter at all parking and driveway edges.

**PASSED** by the City Council of the City of Blaine this 20<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2001.

  
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Tom Ryan, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
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Jane M. Hall, CMC, City Clerk

**CITY OF BLAINE**

**RESOLUTION NO. 06-200**

**GRANTING A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT AMENDMENT  
PER SECTION 31.14 (E) AND (V) OF THE ZONING ORDINANCE  
OF THE CITY OF BLAINE  
SHAMROCK DISPOSAL  
3280 99<sup>TH</sup> COURT NE**

**WHEREAS**, an application has been filed by Shamrock Disposal as conditional use permit Case File No. 06-14; and

**WHEREAS**, a public hearing has been held by the Blaine Planning Commission on July 11, 2006; and

**WHEREAS**, the Blaine Planning Commission recommends said conditional use permit be approved; and

**WHEREAS**, the Blaine City Council has reviewed said case on August 3, 2006.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the City Council of the City of Blaine that a conditional use permit amendment is hereby approved per Section 31.14 (e) and (v) of the zoning ordinance to allow for citizen drop-off of yard waste material at the existing construction recycling facility, for outside storage and chipping of the recycled wood material, short term outside storage of yard waste material, and three buildings on one lot based on the following conditions:

1. All conditions of Resolution 01-141 remain in effect, with the exception of conditions 3 and 10.
2. Construction must be consistent with all materials submitted for this conditional use permit amendment.
3. The office trailer currently located adjacent to the existing building must be removed from the site.
4. All parking stalls shown on the site plan must be striped.
5. All passenger vehicles to be parked on a hard surface at all times. In other words, no vehicle parking is allowed on the gravel surface shown on the site plan.
6. The roll-off dumpsters on site must be stored in the area shown on the attached site plan. This area can be surfaced with gravel. These dumpsters cannot be stored in any other location on site.

7. Yard waste material storage will be limited to no more than 50 cubic yards. The material must be stored in the compost bin as shown on the attached site plan, and the material must be hauled off site on a daily basis to avoid odors emitting from the area on a regular basis. Cleaning of the storage bin is required as needed to eliminate odors.
8. The applicant must construct a building around the wood grinder that has at least two sides and a roof. The building should also generally be constructed with the same materials as the other two buildings on site.
9. The 15-foot fence to be installed must be constructed in such a manner as to provide 100% opaqueness, with staff approving the final fence detail.
10. The following landscaping is required on the entire site to meet ordinance requirements:

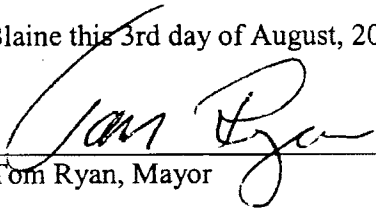
Overstory Trees:	22 (3 ½ caliper)
Conifer Trees:	17 (15-feet in height)
Ornamental Trees:	17 (3-inch caliper)
Shrubs:	105 (3-feet in height)

The landscape plan that has been provided does not indicate that these requirements, with regard to number and size, will be met over the entire site. (Please note that the existing landscaping was taken into account when determining if the correct number of trees had been provided, and the landscaping requirements were still not met.) The applicant will need to provide a plan that meets these requirements when the site is submitted for site plan approval and building permits. It should be clarified that all new plantings must meet the size requirements set forth above.

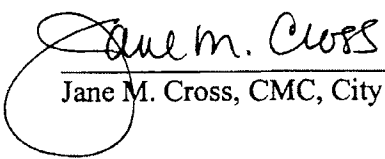
11. All lighting on site must meet the requirements of the Zoning Ordinance, be downlit and shielded, and pole mounted lighting is limited to 20-feet in height.
12. Developer shall submit a copy of the MPCA National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Phase II Construction Activity Permit Application to the City prior to construction. A building permit will not be issued until a copy of the permit application and SWPPP are submitted to the City.
13. Applicant to receive Rice Creek Watershed District (RCWD) approval prior to any site work.
14. Site plan approval required prior to site work and building permits.
15. Separate fire lines and domestic water services are required from the water lateral lines to each structure.

16. Water and sewer availability charges (WAC and SAC) become due with each building permit.

**PASSED** by the City Council of the City of Blaine this 3rd day of August, 2006.

  
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Tom Ryan, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
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Jane M. Cross, CMC, City Clerk

