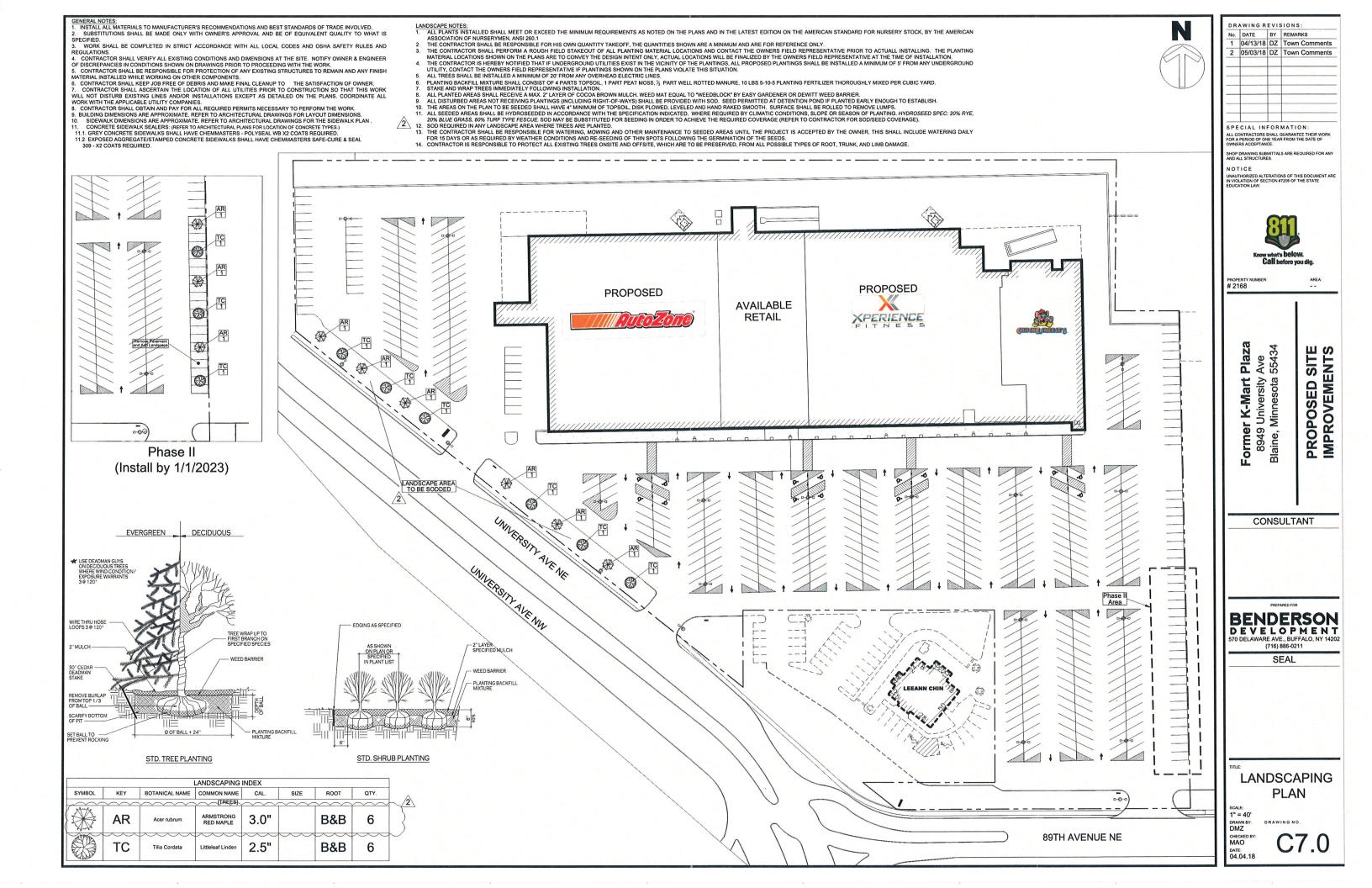
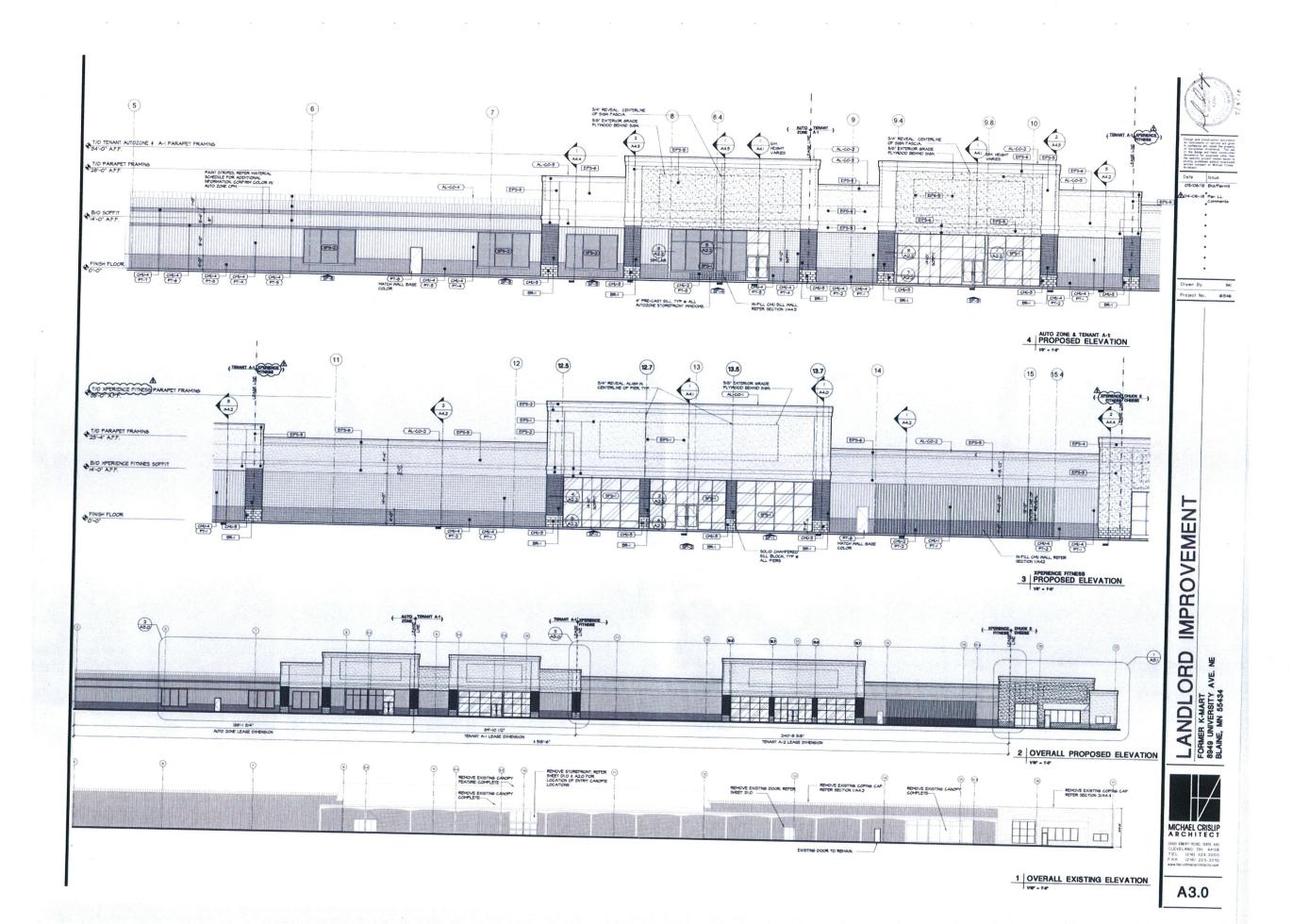
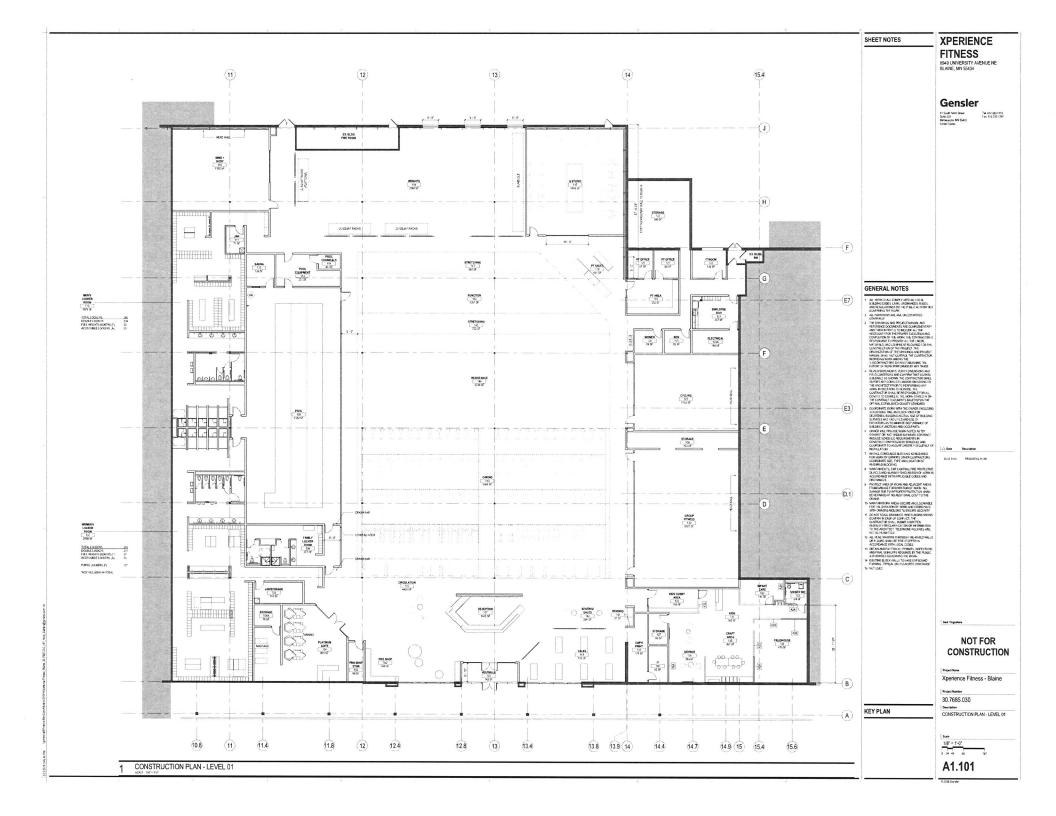


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May 10, 2018

VIA EMAIL (<u>bschafer@ci.blaine.mn.us</u>) and OVERNIGHT UPS City of Blaine Planning Department c/o Bryan Schafer 10801 Town Square Drive Blaine, Minnesota 55449

RE: CUP Application for XPERIENCE FITNESS

Dear Mr. Schafer:

Enclosed is a Conditional Use Permit application for XPERIENCE FITNESS, a prospective tenant of a portion of the now closed KMART box at University Ave and 89<sup>th</sup> Avenue NE. XPERIENCE FITNESS is a membership based gym that provides group exercise, short term daycare and other services in a gym / fitness setting.

XPERIENCE FITNESS is a seasoned operator with multiple gyms located throughout Minnesota and Wisconsin. They are a perfect fit for the existing center. More specifically:

- 1. XPERIENCE FITNESS will not create any burden on parks, schools, streets or other public facilities or utilities. The utility demand and transportation impacts are similar to any similar shopping center based tenant / user, including the most recent uses of the site.
- 2. The use is compatible with adjacent land uses, especially given that it is backfilling vacant shopping center space and, by doing so will help to drive occupancy and reinvestment capital into the property, helping to revitalize surrounding properties.
- 3. The center is receiving a significant facelift in connection with the proposed retenanting and thereby will not have an adverse effect upon adjacent properties.
- 4. In this case, the user believes there is a strong local community demand for a gym similar to the services offered by XPERIENCE FITNESS.
- 5. The use is consistent with the existing zoning and existing use of the property, including the Comprehensive Plan future land use designations and recommendations.
- 6. The transportation impacts are similar to any similar shopping center based tenant / user, including the most recent uses of the site. No adverse impacts are anticipated.

7. The user is going into a partially occupied, built center and with adequate utilities, access roads, drainage and other necessary facilities. Specifically concerning parking, given the existing parking field and prospective tenant mix (AutoZone, Chuck E. Cheese's, LeeAnn Chin, and others), we're confident there will be sufficient parking for what will otherwise be an indoor, contained gym operation with very limited loading and deliveries.

We are hopeful the City can support this request and continue to move the center in a positive direction. Should you need any additional information or have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me at 941-360-7266 or <u>ToddMathes@Benderson.com</u>. If you desire a meeting in person to discuss this matter in person please let me know.

Very truly yours,

Todd M. Mathes

**Director of Development** 

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