

## PLANNING BOARD

P.O. Box 1305  
Littleton, Massachusetts 01460

May 23, 2025

**APPLICATION:****SCENIC ROAD REVIEW  
Harwood Avenue Lots 1 and 2****DESCRIPTION:**

Scenic Road Review to allow removal of up to three trees and up to 16 feet of the Stone wall to allow driveway access for a 2-lot residential development.

**OWNER/APPLICANT:**

Peter DeCarolis, DECA Corp  
2 Starwood Crossing  
Andover, MA 01810

**DATES OF LEGAL NOTICE:**

Tree Warden's Tree Posting: April 29, 2025  
Town Hall Posting: May 1, 2025

**DATE OF MEETING:**

May 15, 2025

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Jeffrey Yates, Daryl Baker, Bartlett Harvey, Anna Hueston, and Mark Montanari

**REFERENCE PLANS:** Erosion and Sediment Control Plan dated April 23, 2025. Sheet 1 of 3 for Residential Development New Construction Lots 1 & 2 (Map R07, Parcel 1-0) Harwood Avenue, Littleton, MA, Prepared for DECA Corp., Prepared by Goldsmith, Prest, Ringwall, Inc.

**FINDINGS:** The Board, based on the application, and together with the materials and testimony provided at its hearing, made the following specific finding regarding the land in question and the proposed use: It appears to the Board that no significant nuisance, hazard, or congestion will be created and that there will be no substantial harm to the neighborhood or derogation from the intent of the Town bylaws.



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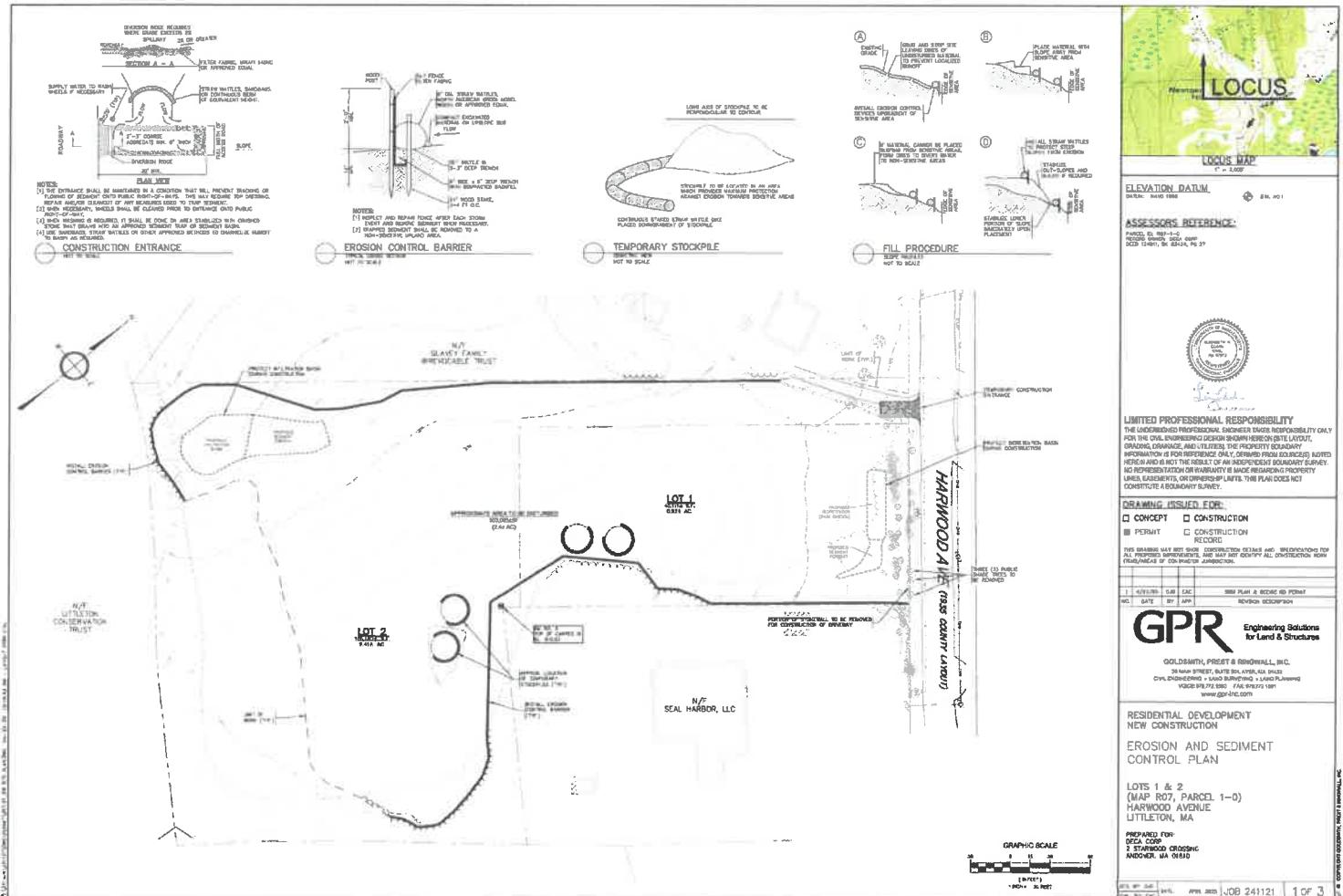
**DECISION:** At the Board meeting of *Thursday, May 15, 2025*, the Board voted 5 to 0 to grant the **Scenic Road Approval** to allow removal of up to three trees directly in front of Lot 1 as shown on the Reference Plan. Developer shall install replacement trees identified by the Tree Warden via letter to the Planning Board dated May 15, 2025, attached. The Tree Warden's recommendation is for three 2 – 2.5" caliper native trees to be placed as setback trees on the front of the property closest to the road.

The Board noted that the applicant provided information that the County Layout for the roadway shows that the stone wall is located outside of the roadway layout. The developer shall utilize stones from the existing stone walls onsite to reinforce and reconstruct the stone wall to maintain the character and atmosphere of this scenic roadway when paired with the replacement of the trees onsite.

**Signed:**

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Karen A. Toolall".

 **Bartlett Harvey, Clerk**





## TOWN OF LITTLETON HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

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LITTLETON, MASSACHUSETTS 01460  
(978) 540-2670

DATE: 5/15/2025

TO: The Town of Littleton Planning Board

I have inspected the 3 trees that Peter DeCarolis is requesting for removal at Harwood Ave. Lot 1-2 location. 1- 12" DBH Silver Maple, 1- 10" DBH dead Red Maple, and 1- 11" DBH Norway Maple, which is on the evasive tree list. I would not object to the removal of the trees. There may be no room to replace the trees as Street Trees in that location. As I conducted the site visit, I noticed several trees tagged. If the trees are removed, I would recommend the replacement to be 3 – 2-2.5" Caliper Native trees to be placed as setback trees on the front of the property closest to the road. (EX. Red Maple, Swamp Maple, Sweetgum, or American Hophornbeam.) This property also has a stone wall that a section will be removed for a driveway. I would request that all stones be used to mend and repair the stone wall on the frontage of the property.

**For any removed tree under 6" in Caliper, replace with one shade tree no smaller than 3-3.5" Caliper from the STC approved tree list.**

**For any removed tree 6" to 12" in Caliper, replace with 2 shade trees no smaller than 3-3.5" Caliper from the STC approved tree list.**

<https://www.littletonma.org/DocumentCenter/View/5448/Tree-Guidelines---Town-of-Littleton>

**Replacement trees shall be of a size and species approved by the Tree Warden, and shall be planted on public property, along rights of way or within easements as permitted by Mass. Gen. L. Ch. 87 Section 7 and determined by the Tree Warden.**

***Steven Whitten***

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