

ORDINANCE NO. 2026 - 22

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER, OR HIS DESIGNEE, TO RENEW THE AGREEMENT WITH THE HAYMAKER FARMERS' MARKET FOR THE SUB-LAND LEASE OF A PARKING LOT LOCATED NORTH OF SUMMIT STREET, WEST OF FRANKLIN AVENUE, AND EAST OF AKRON BARBERTON CLUSTER RAILWAY COMPANY'S MAIN LINE TRACK, CONTAINING 0.168 ACRES, FOR THE PERIOD OF APRIL 4, 2026 THROUGH NOVEMBER 28, 2026; CONTINGENT ON THE CONTINUATION OF THE CITY'S LEASE WITH THE AKRON BARBERTON CLUSTER RAILWAY COMPANY, FOR THE AMOUNT OF \$1.00; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, the City of Kent and the Akron Barberton Cluster Railway Company entered into a lease agreement for the use of a parking lot, located north of Summit Street, west of Franklin Avenue, and east of the Akron Barberton Cluster Railway Company's main line track, containing 0.168 acres; and

WHEREAS, the City of Kent wishes to continue to sub-lease said parking lot on Saturday mornings to the Haymaker Farmers' Market; contingent on the continuation of the City's lease with the Akron Barberton Cluster Railway Company; and

WHEREAS, a Farmers' Market is a benefit to the citizens of Kent, Ohio; and

WHEREAS, time is of the essence to allow the Farmers' Market to open with good weather.


NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Kent, Portage County, Ohio:

SECTION 1. That the City Manager, or his designee, be and hereby is authorized to renew the Sub-land Lease with Haymaker Farmers' Market for a parking lot located north of Summit Street, west of Franklin Avenue, and east of the Akron Barberton Cluster Railway Company's main line tract, contingent on continuation of the City's lease with the Akron Barberton Cluster Railway Company; in substantial compliance with the terms of Exhibit "A", attached hereto.

SECTION 2. That it is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this Ordinance were adopted in an open meeting of this Council and that all deliberations of this Council, and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action, were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements of Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

SECTION 3. That this Ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, safety and welfare of the residents of this City, for which reason and other reasons manifest to this Council, this Ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure and shall take effect and be in force immediately after passage.

PASSED: March 18, 2026
Date



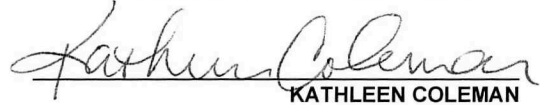
Jack Armhein
Mayor and President of Council

EFFECTIVE: March 18, 2026
Date

ATTEST: Kathleen Coleman
Kathleen Coleman
Clerk of Council

I, KATHLEEN COLEMAN, CLERK OF COUNCIL FOR THE CITY OF KENT, COUNTY OF PORTAGE, AND STATE OF OHIO, AND IN WHOSE CUSTODY THE ORIGINAL FILES AND RECORDS OF SAID COUNCIL ARE REQUIRED TO BE KEPT BY THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF OHIO, HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE FOREGOING IS A TRUE AND EXACT COPY OF ORDINANCE NO. 2026-22, ADOPTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KENT ON March 18, 2026.

(SEAL)


KATHLEEN COLEMAN
CLERK OF COUNCIL

CITY OF KENT, OHIO



SUB-LAND LEASE

THIS SUB-LEASE, made this ____ day of _____, **2026**, between **THE CITY OF KENT, OHIO**, whose address is 301 South Depeyster Street, Kent, Ohio 44240, hereinafter referred to as SUB-LESSOR, and **HAYMAKER FARMERS' MARKET**, which has its summer market operations at the intersection of Franklin Avenue and Summit Street, Kent, Ohio 44240, hereinafter referred to as SUB-LESSEE.

I. PREMISES

SUB-LESSOR does hereby lease unto SUB-LESSEE certain unimproved land, located in the City of Kent, Portage County, Ohio, hereinafter called "the premises," as shown on the map attached hereto and hereby made a part hereof, described as follows:

Being a rectangular parcel of land located north of Summit Street, west of Franklin Avenue and east of LESSOR's main line track containing an area of 0.168 acres, more or less as shown in green, attached hereto as Exhibit "A."

SUB-LESSOR currently leases the subject premises from Akron Barberton Cluster Railway Company (the ORIGINAL LESSOR) pursuant to a land lease agreement dated October 26, 2011, No. 35-04380, as amended July 16, 2014.

II. TERMS AND CONDITIONS

In consideration of the covenants and agreements herein contained and other good and valuable consideration, and intending to be legally bound, it is agreed as follows:

1. Use. SUB-LESSEE shall use and occupy the premises solely for the purpose of a farmers' market held on Saturday morning (9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.).

2. Term and Rent. To hold the demised premises for and during the term of April 4, 2026 through November 28, 2026 (unless sooner terminated as hereinafter provided) for the rent or sum of one dollar (\$1.00) payable in advance.

3. **Expenses.** SUB-LESSOR shall be responsible for snow plowing costs, any utility costs or charges and shall maintain insurance on the premises pursuant to their lease with ORIGINAL LESSOR.

4. **Approval of Plans.** SUB-LESSEE, prior to erecting any structure on the premises, shall submit plans to, and secure approval in writing of, SUB-LESSOR and the ORIGINAL LESSOR. SUB-LESSEE shall not erect or place or allow to be erected or placed on the premises any buildings, structures, fixtures or obstructions of any kind, either temporary or permanent.

5. **Fire and Damage.** SUB-LESSEE shall cooperate with SUB-LESSOR and shall promptly comply with fire prevention measures requested by SUB-LESSOR. SUB-LESSEE shall make no electrical installation or alterations in and to the improvements or electrical circuits (whether for power, light, heat or other purposes) located on the premises except by a duly licensed electrician, and shall make no installation of natural gas, propane, kerosene or other combustion fuel heating or cooling units, except by licensed heating or cooling contractor; and no such alterations or installations shall be made without prior written approval of the ORIGINAL LESSOR.

6. **Ordinances and Regulations.**

6.1 SUB-LESSEE, at SUB-LESSEE's sole cost and expense, shall comply with all applicable ordinances, rules, regulations, requirements and laws of any governmental authority having jurisdiction over the premises or SUB-LESSEE's intended use thereof, including but not limited to zoning, health, safety, building or environmental matters. SUB-LESSEE shall supply SUB-LESSOR and ORIGINAL LESSOR with copies of letters or certificates of approval of SUB-LESSEE's use.

7. **Maintenance and Repairs.**

7.1 SUB-LESSEE will not create or permit any nuisance in, on or about the premises, and SUB-LESSEE shall maintain the premises in a neat and clean condition. Any approved structures of SUB-LESSEE shall be erected and/or maintained on the premises by SUB-LESSEE to the satisfaction of the ORIGINAL LESSOR.

7.2 SUB-LESSEE will not utilize the City of Kent trash containers or the area near the trash containers, for the disposal of produce, perishable products, boxes, crates, storage containers, bags of trash or any other form of refuse generated by vendors operating on the premises.

7.3 SUB-LESSEE will not make, or permit to be made, any improvements or alterations to the premises without the written consent of the ORIGINAL LESSOR. Approval by the ORIGINAL LESSOR of any improvements or installations made by SUB-LESSEE, or failure of the ORIGINAL LESSOR to object to any work done or material used, or the method of construction or installation, shall not be construed as an admission of

responsibility by the ORIGINAL LESSOR or SUB-LESSOR or as a waiver of any of SUB-LESSEE's obligations under this Sub-Lease.

7.4 All work performed by SUB-LESSEE, or SUB-LESSEE contractor(s), pursuant to Section 7 shall be subject to the written approval of the ORIGINAL LESSOR's Chief Engineer or his duly authorized representative.

8. Service and Utilities. The ORIGINAL LESSOR will be under no obligation to furnish the premises with water, gas, sewage, electricity, heat or other services and supplies that may be necessary or desirable in connection with SUB-LESSEE use and occupancy of the premises. The SUB-LESSOR shall bear all costs of utilities used on the premises, including heat, electricity, hot water and sewer use charges. SUB-LESSEE shall reimburse SUB-LESSOR for any utilities SUB-LESSEE uses.

9. Adjacent Areas. Except as provided in Section 10 hereafter, SUB-LESSEE shall not use, for utility lines or otherwise, any property of the ORIGINAL LESSOR and SUB-LESSOR other than the premises herein leased without first obtaining ORIGINAL LESSOR's prior written consent and complying with all requirements of the ORIGINAL LESSOR applicable thereto.

10. Ingress and Egress. The ORIGINAL LESSOR, SUB-LESSOR and SUB-LESSEE shall have the right to use, in common with SUB-LESSOR and others authorized by SUB-LESSOR, existing driveway(s) or other property designated by SUB-LESSOR as means of Ingress to and Egress from the premises. SUB-LESSOR shall be under no obligation with respect to the condition or maintenance of said driveway(s) or other property, and SUB-LESSEE use of same shall be subject to all of the covenants, terms and conditions of this Sub-Lease.

11. Pipe and Wire Lines. The ORIGINAL LESSOR shall at all times have the right to maintain and/or construct, and to permit others to maintain and/or construct, overhead and/or underground pipe and/or wire lines now or hereafter installed upon or across the premises, and to use, repair, renew and remove the same.

12. Claim of Title.

12.1 SUB-LESSEE shall not at any time own or claim any right, title or interest in or to the premises, nor shall the exercise of this Sub-Lease for any length of time give rise to any right, title or interest in or to the premises, other than the Sub-Leasehold herein created.

12.2 SUB-LESSEE shall pay all debts incurred to, and shall satisfy all liens of contractors, subcontractors, mechanics, laborers and material suppliers in respect to any construction, alteration and/or repair in and to the demised premises, and any improvements thereof. Further, SUB-LESSEE shall have no authority to create any liens for labor or material on or against SUB-LESSOR or the ORIGINAL LESSOR's interest in the premises and shall specify in all contracts let by SUB-LESSEE for any construction, erection,

installation, alteration, maintenance or repair of any building or other improvement on the premises.

13. Termination, Notices and Removal.

13.1 This Sub-Lease may be terminated by either party at any time upon not less than thirty (30) days' notice in writing sent by registered or certified mail to the other party. However, in the event of a breach of any of the covenants, terms and conditions hereof by SUB-LESSEE, SUB-LESSOR shall have the right to terminate this Sub-Lease immediately.

13.2 Should original LESSOR terminate its lease with SUB-LESSOR, this Sub-lease between SUB-LESSOR and SUB-LESSEE shall also terminate.

13.3 Should SUB-LESSOR default on their lease terms to the ORIGINAL LESSOR, SUB-LESSEE may contact ORIGINAL LESSOR in efforts to step-in for SUB-LESSOR, correct the default of SUB-LESSOR, and take SUB-LESSOR'S role in the original land lease agreement dated October 26, 2011, No. 35-04380.

13.4 All notices and communications concerning this Sub-Lease shall be addressed to SUB-LESSOR or the SUB-LESSEE at their respective addresses hereinabove set forth or at such other, the ORIGINAL LESSOR, address as either party may designate in writing to the other party.

13.5 Upon termination of this Sub-Lease by expiration of term or any other reason, SUB-LESSEE shall remove all buildings or structures (except tracks, rail facilities and other designated property of the ORIGINAL LESSOR), within the time specified in any notice of termination or at the latest within fifteen (15) days after such termination. In effecting such removal, the premises shall be restored by SUB-LESSEE to a condition satisfactory to the ORIGINAL LESSOR, including the removal of all structures and facilities (whether on the surface or underground) to ground level, and the filing of all excavations and holes, which shall be tamped, compacted and graded uniformly. If SUB-LESSEE shall fail to make the removal in the manner and time set forth herein, after notice to do so, SUB-LESSOR or the ORIGINAL LESSOR may remove said buildings, structures, and/or facilities and make said restoration, all at the sole risk, cost and expense of SUB-LESSEE, and may also dispose of any removed items without necessity to account for the same or to give further notice to SUB-LESSEE.

13.6 If SUB-LESSEE shall fail to make removal of any such property, SUB-LESSOR or the ORIGINAL LESSOR shall have the option to elect and notify SUB-LESSEE that all right, title and interest of SUB-LESSEE in certain building(s), structure(s) and/or facility(ies) shall be forfeit and may also dispose of any removed items without necessity to account for the same or to give further notice to SUB-LESSEE.

13.7 If SUB-LESSEE shall fail to make removal of any such property, the ORIGINAL LESSOR shall have the further option to elect and notify SUB-LESSEE that all

right, title and interest of SUB-LESSEE in certain building(s) and/or facility(ies) shall be forfeit and shall vest absolutely in the ORIGINAL LESSOR as of the date of notice of such election.

13.8 In the event that SUB-LESSEE prepays monthly or annual rentals in advance and this Sub-Lease is terminated by notice of either party (other than for breach or cause), SUB-LESSOR shall refund to SUB-LESSEE the proration of any prepaid base rental and taxes paid in advance, which SUB-LESSEE shall accept in full settlement, satisfaction and discharge of the remainder of the term or period.

14. Lessor. The term "the ORIGINAL LESSOR" as used in Section 14 hereof shall include any other company or companies whose property at the aforesaid location may be leased or operated by ORIGINAL LESSOR.

15. Insurance.

15.1 Prior to commencement of occupation or use of the premises/track for activities provided herein, SUB-LESSEE, at its sole cost and expense, shall procure and shall maintain during continuance of this Sub-Lease Public Liability Insurance covering liability assumed by SUB-LESSEE under this Sub-Lease with a combined single limit of not less than Two Million (\$2,000,000.00) Dollars for personal injury and property damage per occurrence. SUB-LESSEE shall furnish the ORIGINAL LESSOR's Director of Real Estate, 100 East First Street, Brewster, Ohio 44613 a certificate of insurance referring to this Sub-Lease by date, name of SUB-LESSOR, description of Sub-Lease and location covered. The certificate shall be endorsed to provide for thirty (30) days' notice to said Director of Real Estate prior to termination of or change in the coverage provided. If a higher limit of liability is required by the ORIGINAL LESSOR, the ORIGINAL LESSOR shall provide SUB-LESSEE written notice of the limit required and within thirty (30) days thereafter SUB-LESSEE shall provide revised certificate of insurance for the increased required limit. Furnishing of this insurance by SUB-LESSEE shall not limit SUB-LESSEE liability under this Sub-Lease but shall be additional security there for. SUB-LESSOR shall be named as an additional insured on said policy.

15.2 The insurance requirements herein are minimum requirements for this Agreement and in no way limit the indemnity covenants contained in this Agreement. The ORIGINAL LESSOR in no way warrants that the minimum limits contained herein are sufficient to protect SUB-LESSOR from liabilities that may arise out of the performance of the services under this Agreement by SUB-LESSOR, its agents, representatives, employees or subcontractors and SUB-LESSOR is free to purchase additional insurance as may be determined necessary.

16. Condemnation. Should the premises or any part thereof be condemned, appropriated and/or acquired for public use, then this Sub-Lease, at the option of SUB-LESSOR or the ORIGINAL LESSOR, shall terminate upon the date when the premises or part thereof shall be taken. No part of any damages or award shall belong to SUB-LESSEE, except to the extent of any specific award from the governmental authority for improvements

and/or facilities of SUB-LESSEE. SUB-LESSOR's land shall be valued as of such date (or other legal date of valuation) as vacant land, without consideration of this Sub-Lease or SUB-LESSEE improvements on said land as an enhancement or detriment to said land value. Improvements and/or facilities of SUB-LESSEE not so condemned, appropriated and/or acquired shall be removed in accordance with Section 13 hereof.

17. Successors and Assigns.

17.1 The terms, covenants and provisions hereof shall inure to the benefit of and be binding upon the successors and assigns of SUB-LESSOR and the ORIGINAL LESSOR and the successors and assigns of SUB-LESSEE.

17.2 However, SUB-LESSEE shall not transfer, assign, encumber or sublet this Sub-Lease or any part of the premises or any part of the premises or any rights and privileges herein granted except to a subsidiary, parent or common controlled affiliate as approved by SUB-LESSOR. This covenant shall also apply whether such sale or transfer is made voluntarily by SUB-LESSEE or involuntarily in any proceeding at law or in equity to which SUB-LESSEE may be a party whereby any of the rights, duties and obligations of SUB-LESSEE shall be sold, transferred, conveyed, encumbered, abrogated or in any manner altered, without the prior notice to and consent of the ORIGINAL LESSOR and SUB-LESSOR. In the event of any such unauthorized sale, transfer, assignment, sublease or encumbrance of this Sub-Lease, or any of the rights and privileges hereunder, the ORIGINAL LESSOR or SUB-LESSOR, at its option, may immediately terminate this Sub-Lease by giving SUB-LESSEE or any such assignee written notice of such termination and LESSOR or SUB-LESSOR may thereupon enter and retake possession of the premises.

18. Severability. It is understood and agreed that this Sub-Lease is executed by all parties under current interpretation of any and all applicable federal, state, county, municipal or other local statute, ordinance or law. Further, it is understood and agreed that each and every separate division (paragraph, clause, item, term, condition, covenant or agreement) herein contained shall have independent and severable status from each other separate division or combination thereof for the determination of legality so that if any separate division herein is determined to be unconstitutional, illegal, violative of trade or commerce, in contravention of public policy, void, voidable, invalid or unenforceable for any reason, that separate division shall be treated as a nullity but such holding or determination shall have no effect upon the validity or enforceability of each and every other separate division herein contained or any other combination thereof.

19. Breach or Waiver. If under the provisions hereof SUB-LESSOR shall institute proceedings and a compromise or settlement thereof shall be made, the same shall not constitute a permanent or general waiver of any covenant herein contained nor of any of SUB-LESSOR's rights hereunder. No waiver by SUB-LESSOR of any breach of any covenant, condition or agreement herein contained shall operate as a permanent waiver of such covenant, condition or agreement itself or of any subsequent breach thereof. No payment by SUB-LESSEE or receipt by SUB-LESSOR of a lesser amount than the monthly installments

of rent herein stipulated shall be deemed to be other than on account of the earliest stipulated rent, nor shall any endorsement or statement on any check or letter accompanying a check for payment of rent be deemed an accord and satisfaction and SUB-LESSOR may accept such check or payment without prejudice to SUB-LESSOR's right to recover the balance of such rent or to pursue any other remedy provided in this Sub-Lease. No re-entry by SUB-LESSOR after a breach shall be considered an acceptance of a surrender of the Sub-Lease.

20. Train Protection. In case of any construction work which may be performed by the SUB-LESSEE at or near the ORIGINAL LESSOR's tracks or facilities, the SUB-LESSEE agrees to notify SUB-LESSOR and the ORIGINAL LESSOR forty-eight (48) hours in advance and further agrees to pay the cost of such supervision or train protection as, in the sole discretion of the ORIGINAL LESSOR, may be necessary or proper for the safe operation of trains.

21. Snow and Ice Removal. It is hereby understood and agreed that the ORIGINAL LESSOR shall not at any time be responsible for the removal of snow and/or ice on or about the leased premises. Such snow and/or ice removal shall be at the sole risk and expense of the SUB-LESSOR and shall be performed in such a manner so as not to obstruct or interfere with any of the ORIGINAL LESSOR's operations on or about the leased premises, including the ORIGINAL LESSOR's own snow removal operations. In carrying out the foregoing, the SUB-LESSOR shall not plow, place, dump or deposit snow onto or upon the property of the ORIGINAL LESSOR, nor shall the SUB-LESSEE permit nor tolerate any of the foregoing.

22. Fiber Optics. It is the responsibility of the SUB-LESSEE to have knowledge of, locate, and protect against damage to fiber optic cables along, across or under the Railway's property and right-of-way. Any damage to or disruption of any fiber optic cable will be the sole responsibility of SUB-LESSEE, which will indemnify and hold harmless the Railway for any expenses resulting therefrom. Before any construction may commence, the following number, where applicable, must be called: **DIG SAFE 1-800-362-2764** provided that calling such number or numbers shall not release or otherwise diminish the remaining obligations of SUB-LESSEE hereunder.

23. Environmental Compliance.

23.1 SUB-LESSEE represents that it has conducted a complete inspection of the Premises and except as noted herein, finds the Premises to be reasonably free from pollution-induced conditions. It is understood between the parties that, at the time this Sub-Lease is entered into, the condition of the premises meets all federal, state, and local laws, rules, and regulations designed to prevent or control the discharge of substances into the land, water and air.

23.2 Without limiting any other provisions of this Sub-Lease, SUB-LESSEE will at all times maintain and keep the Premises and all improvements and property now or hereafter erected or placed thereon, at its expense, including but not limited to the structures,

equipment, and operations, in compliance with all federal, state, and local laws, rules and regulations designed to prevent the discharge of substances on the land, water, or air.

23.3 Without limiting any other provision this Sub-Lease, SUB-LESSOR and ORIGINAL LESSOR shall have the right to enter and inspect the Premises in order to determine whether SUB-LESSEE is complying with such laws, rules, or regulations, but no such inspection or absence of inspection by the SUB-LESSOR or the ORIGINAL LESSOR shall be construed to relieve SUB-LESSEE of its obligations to comply with all such laws, rules or regulations.

24. Quiet Enjoyment. Nothing herein contained shall imply or import a covenant on the part of SUB-LESSOR or ORIGINAL LESSOR of quiet enjoyment.

25. Hold-Over Clause. If SUB-LESSEE, with consent of SUB-LESSOR, holds over and remains in possession of demised premises after expiration of said term, this Sub-Lease shall be considered as renewed and shall continue in effect upon the same terms and conditions as are herein contained until terminated by either party giving the other written notice of intention to terminate same in the manner herein provided and with like effect.

26. Notices. Any notice or other communication required to be given to a party hereto shall be in writing and either hand-delivered or mailed by registered or certified mail, return receipt requested, postage prepaid, addressed as set forth below. For all purposes hereunder, "receipt" shall be deemed to occur on the date of actual receipt.

As to SUB-LESSOR:

CITY OF KENT, OHIO
c/o City Manager
319 South Water Street
Kent, Ohio 44240

As to SUB-LESSEE:

HAYMAKER FARMERS' MARKET
c/o HFM Board President

(Print Mailing Address)
Kent, Ohio 44240

As to ORIGINAL LESSOR:

AKRON BARBERTON CLUSTER RAILWAY COMPANY
100 East First Street
Brewster, OH 44613

27. General Provisions.

27.1 A determination that any part of this Agreement is invalid shall not affect the validity or enforceability of any other part of this Agreement.

27.2 This Agreement shall be governed by the laws of the State of Ohio.

27.3 Section headings are inserted for convenience only and shall not affect the construction or interpretation of this Agreement.

27.4 This Agreement contains the entire agreement of the parties and supersedes any prior written or oral understandings, agreements or representations.

27.5 This Agreement may not be amended, waived or discharged except by an instrument in writing signed by the parties.

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III. EXECUTION

IN WITNESS THEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this Sub-Lease to be executed, in duplicate as of the day and year first above written.

HAYMAKER FARMERS' MARKET

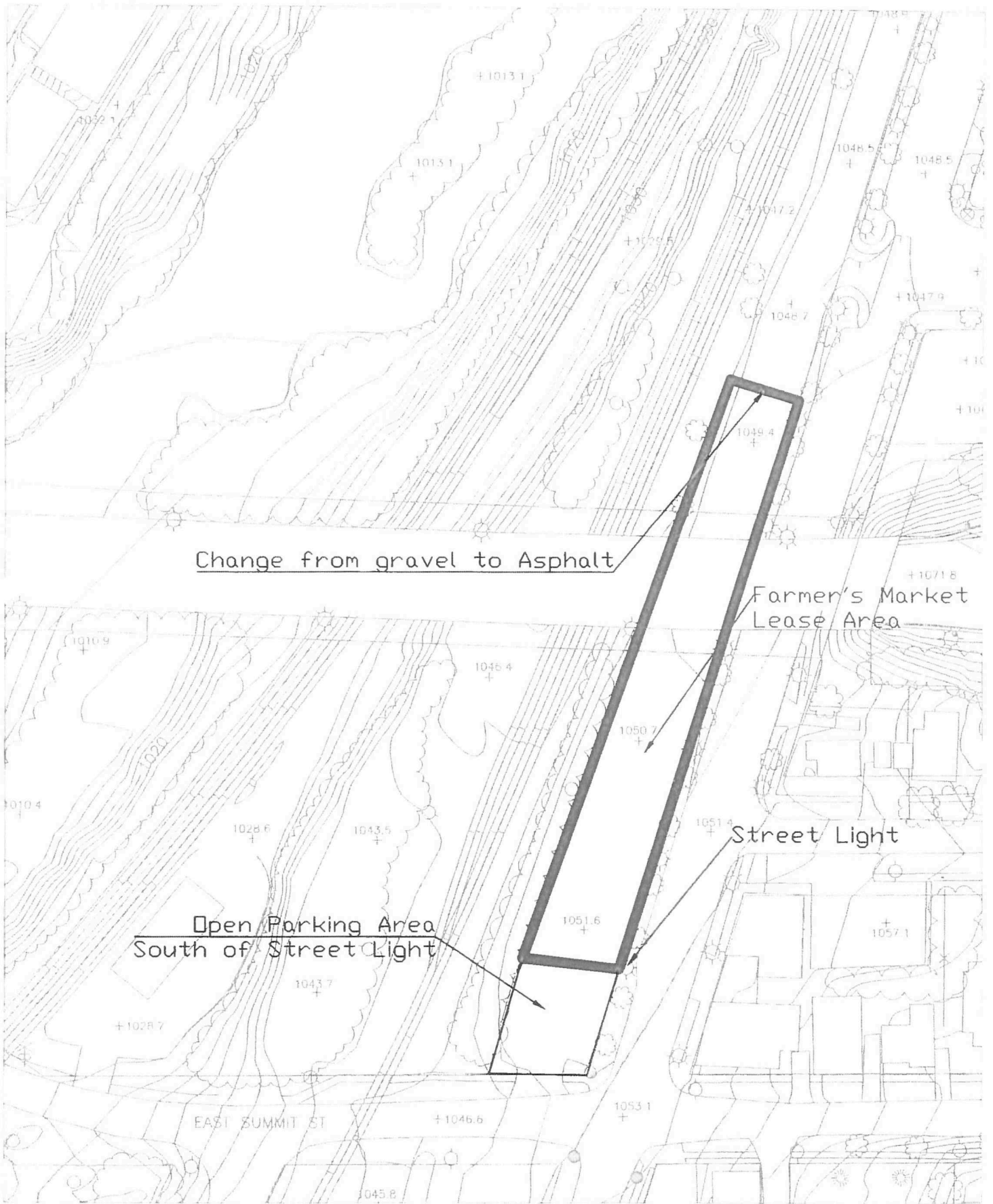
Mekal Banyasz, President
Board of Directors

CITY OF KENT, OHIO

Dave Ruller, City Manager

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Hope L. Jones, Law Director
City of Kent, Ohio



Farmers Market Exhibit "A"

