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To MARK RIFKIN From Don LIEU

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Department of Public Works  
BUREAU OF ENGINEERING

*Ronald G. Lepson, Chief*

July 30, 2001

Mr. David Myers  
15203 Oak Orchard Road  
New Windsor, Maryland 21776

Subject: Request for Public Water and Sewer Service  
Lots 4, 5, 6 and 7, Parcel 257, Tax Map 36, Block 13, Allview Estates

Dear Mr. Myers:

We are in receipt of your letter of July 6, 2001 requesting public water and sewer service to the referenced lots. Shaker Drive ends at lot 4. From a review of the information the we have available, lots 5, 6 and 7 do not appear to have frontage on a public road or right of way. Before the County may initiate a capital project for the extension of the public water or sewer system to serve lots 5, 6 and 7, the County must have evidence that you have the right of ingress and egress to these lots.

There is a 36-inch storm drain that crosses US Route 29 and outfalls onto lot 6. From the topographic maps that we have available, the flow from the 36-inch storm drain crosses lots 5, 6 and 7. Also, the topography of lot 5 appears to fall 30 feet in 60 feet, or a slope of 50%.

We visited the site on July 26, 2001. Although the lack of access and dense vegetation precluded a thorough site examination, from the information that we have available, lots 5, 6 and 7 do not appear to be buildable.

Public sewer service to lot 4 will require the construction of 700 feet of 8-inch sewer across a neighboring property and through lots 5, 6 and 7. Public water service to lot 4 will require the construction of 50 feet of water main along Shaker Drive. The total estimated cost to extend public water and sewer service to lot 4 is \$170,000.

Capital project requests for public water and sewer services are prioritized based on health or system needs. For requests received at this time, improved properties experiencing failed well or septic systems are given priority and funded in the next available fiscal year (fiscal year 2003, beginning July 1, 2002). Requests from property owners who have improved properties, who are not experiencing well or septic problems, are deferred for at least one year. Capital project requests from property owners of unimproved lots are deferred for at least 2 years and may be placed in the 5 to 10-year program based on available funding.

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Water and sewer capital projects must be approved by the Public Works Board, the Planning Board and the County Council. At each Board and Council hearing the public is given an opportunity to speak on the project. Should the capital project receive the approval of the Boards and the Council, the project will be funded in the given fiscal year. Baring any unforeseen difficulties in acquiring the necessary permits and easements, construction of the water and sewer facilities under a capital project should be completed within one 18 months after the funds become available. In this case, we will need an easement from an adjacent property owner and possibly permits for construction within a stream. The County will require that you, as the requesting property owner, provide all easements across lots 5, 6 and 7 necessary for the construction of the sewer to serve lot 4, at no cost to the County.

After the water and sewer mains are constructed under a capital project, the properties served by the utilities will be assessed front foot benefit charges for a period of 30 years.

The costs for public water and sewer services are as follows:

Sewer House Connection Charge	\$1,950.	Paid at time of application
Sewer In-Aid-of-Construction Charge	\$ 600.	Paid at time of application
Sewer Use Charge	\$ 1.36/748 gal.	Quarterly bill
Sewer front foot benefit charge	\$ 1.13/ft/yr	1 <sup>st</sup> 150 feet for 30 years
	\$ 0.85/ft/yr	2 <sup>nd</sup> 150 feet for 30 years
	\$ 0.42/ft/yr	over 300 feet for 30 years
Water House Connection Charge	\$1,705.	Paid at time of application
Water In-Aid-of-Construction Charge	\$ 600.	Paid at time of application
Water Use Charge	\$ 0.76/748 gal.	Quarterly bill (winter rate)
Water front foot benefit charge	\$ 0.81/ft/yr	1 <sup>st</sup> 150 feet for 30 years
	\$ 0.61/ft/yr	2 <sup>nd</sup> 150 feet for 30 years
	\$ 0.30/ft/yr	over 300 feet for 30 years

Enclosed for your information is a copy of a question and answer sheet addressing several frequently asked questions concerning public water and sewer service. As your property is currently unimproved, the earliest that the County will consider an extension of the public water and sewer system to serve lot 4 would be fiscal year 2005, with funds becoming available for design in July 2004.

If the County's extension programs do not meet your needs, the water and sewer mains may be extended by the property owner under the land development process. As a site developer, the property owner would be responsible for the design and construction of the water and sewer mains. For more information on extensions of the public water and sewer system under the land development process, please contact Mr. Charles Dammers, Chief, Development Engineering Division, at (410) 313-2420.

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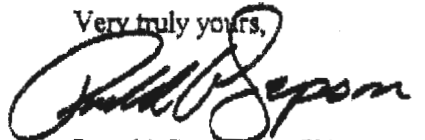
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After reviewing the cost and timing of the options available to you for the extension of the public water and sewer system, if you wish the County to consider the extension of the public water and sewer system under a capital project to serve lot 4, please contact me in writing to reconfirm your desires for a capital project.

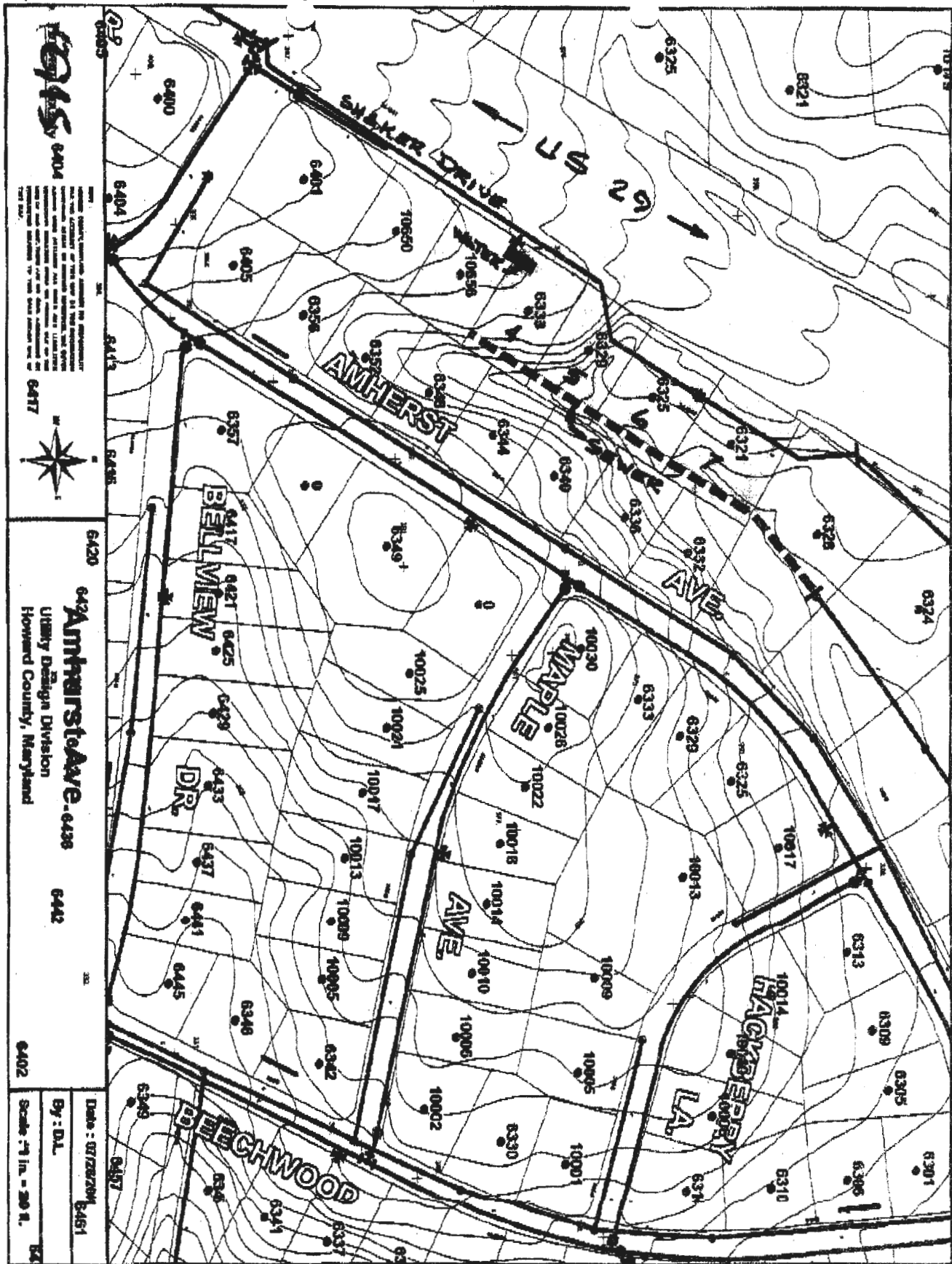
Should you have any questions regarding the information provided, please contact Mr. Don Lieu, Chief Utility Design Division at (410) 313-6121.

Very truly yours,



Ronald G. Lepson, Chief  
Bureau of Engineering

cc: Don Lieu



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THE ENGINEER HAS CONDUCTED THE NECESSARY SURVEYING AND FIELD WORK FOR THE PURPOSE OF PREPARING THIS PLAN. THE ENGINEER HAS NOT CONDUCTED A VISUAL INSPECTION OF THE PROPOSED WORK AND HAS NOT BEEN ADVISED OF ANY CHANGES TO THE PROPOSED WORK SINCE THE DATE OF THE SURVEYING AND FIELD WORK.

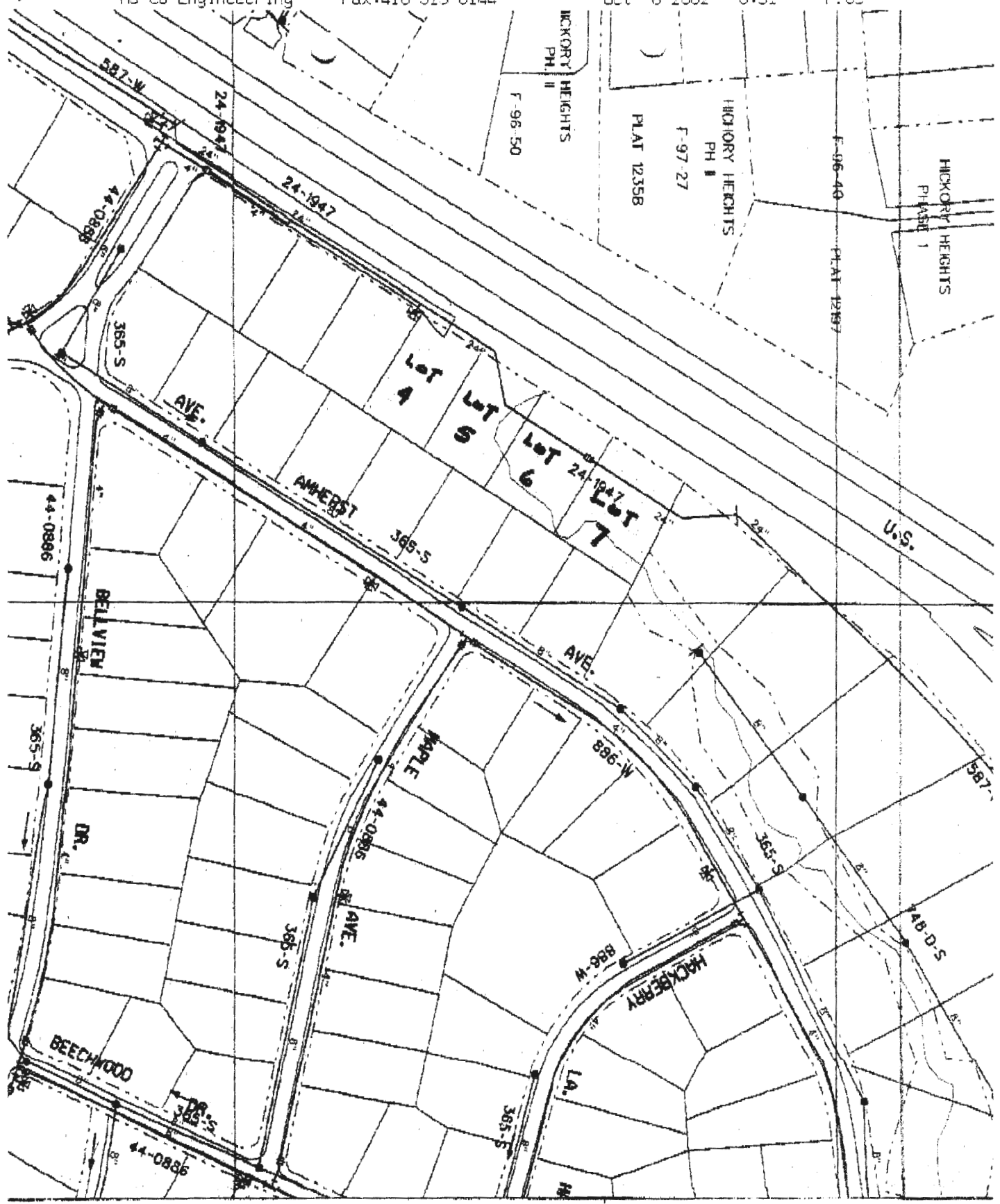
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**Amharst Ave. 6408**

Utility Design Division  
Howard County, Maryland

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PLAT 1

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PH I

HICKORY HEIGHTS  
PH II

PLAT 12358

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PLAT 12357

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LOT 4

LOT 5

LOT 6

LOT 7

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