

## City of Surrey PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT REPORT File: 7911-0206-00

Planning Report Date: January 9, 2012

#### PROPOSAL:

Development Permit

#### • Development Variance Permit

in order to permit the expansion of a surface parking lot and the installation of a new free-standing sign on a commercial site.

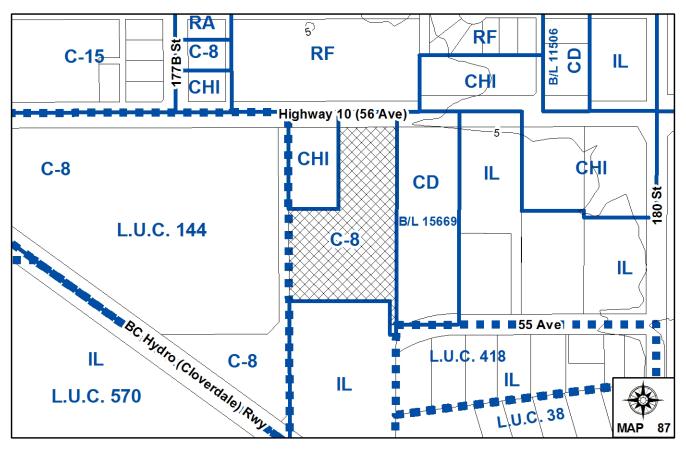
LOCATION: 17850 Highway No. 10 (56 Avenue)

**OWNER:** Energrated Holdings Ltd., Inc. No.

325809

**ZONING:** C-8

OCP DESIGNATION: Commercial/Industrial TCP DESIGNATION: Highway Commercial



#### **RECOMMENDATION SUMMARY**

- Approval to draft Development Permit.
- Approval for Development Variance Permit to proceed to Public Notification.

#### **DEVIATION FROM PLANS, POLICIES OR REGULATIONS**

• The proposed width of the free-standing sign exceeds two-thirds of the sign height.

#### **RATIONALE OF RECOMMENDATION**

- Complies with OCP Designation.
- Complies with the Cloverdale Town Centre Plan.
- Addresses the need for additional on-site parking.
- The proposed variance is supportable as it is a minor relaxation to the Sign By-law, but represents important exposure for the tenant of the building.

#### RECOMMENDATION

The Planning & Development Department recommends that:

1. Council authorize staff to draft Development Permit No. 7911-0206-00 generally in accordance with the attached drawings (Appendix II).

- 2. Council approve Development Variance Permit No. 7911-0206-00 (Appendix IV) varying the following, to proceed to Public Notification:
  - (a) to vary the Sign By-law to increase the width of the free-standing sign to exceed two-thirds of its height.
- 3. Council instruct staff to resolve the following issues prior to final approval:
  - (a) ensure that all engineering requirements and issues including restrictive covenants, dedications, and rights-of-way where necessary, are addressed to the satisfaction of the General Manager, Engineering;
  - (b) submission of a landscaping plan and landscaping cost estimate to the specifications and satisfaction of the Planning and Development Department;
  - (c) resolution of all urban design issues to the satisfaction of the Planning and Development Department;
  - (d) submission of a sign permit application for the existing fascia sign on the north face of the building; and
  - (e) approval of Development Variance Permit No. 7911-0206-00.

#### **REFERRALS**

Engineering: The Engineering Department has no objection to the project as

outlined in Appendix III.

Ministry of Transportation

The owner applied for an access permit from MOTI which was

& Infrastructure (MOTI): approved.

#### **SITE CHARACTERISTICS**

Existing Land Use: Fronting Highway No. 10 (subject area) is an undeveloped lawn area with a

driveway. At the rear of the lot is an office building occupied by Delta

Controls, a computer component manufacturer.

#### **Adjacent Area:**

Direction	Existing Use	OCP/TCP Designation	Existing Zone
North (Across Highway	Cloverdale Traditional	Commercial/School	RF
No. 10 / 56 Ave.):	School.		
East:	Fronting Highway No. 10	Commercial/Highway	CD (By-law No.
	are two highway	Commercial	15669)
	commercial buildings		
	(restaurant and retail) and		
	at the rear of the lot is an		
	industrial building,		
	occupied by Delta		
	Controls.		
South:	Material storage and metal	Industrial	IL
	fabricating yard.		
West:	Restaurants and Clover	Commercial/ Highway	CHI and L.U.C.
	Square Village Shopping	Commercial and Retail	No. 144
	Centre.	& Service Commercial	(underlying C-8
			Zone)

#### **DEVELOPMENT CONSIDERATIONS**

#### **Background**

- The subject property is located at 17850 Highway No. 10 (56 Ave.) in the Cloverdale Town Centre. It is zoned Community Commercial Zone (C-8), split-designated Commercial on the northern portion and Industrial on the southern portion in the Official Community Plan (OCP), and the northern portion is designated Highway Commercial in the Cloverdale Town Centre Plan.
- Delta Controls, a company that manufactures computer components, occupies the site.
- The building permit for the existing structure was approved in 1988. A provincial courthouse previously occupied the building.

#### Current Proposal

- The applicant is seeking a Development Permit to add approximately 74 surface parking spaces to the north portion of the property and to erect a new double-faced free-standing sign fronting Highway No. 10. The north portion of the property is currently a lawn area, divided by a driveway to access the existing building and parking area located at the rear of the property from Highway No. 10.
- Approximately 104 surface parking spaces are currently provided on site. Based on an estimated building floor area of 3,388 square metres (36,500 sq. ft.), 102 parking spaces are required (for office use). The total proposed number of parking spaces is approximately 178, which exceeds the minimum requirements.

A site visit by staff confirmed the need for additional on-site parking. Many vehicles were
parked in the drive aisles, along the driveway and other areas that were not intended for
parking.

- The applicant provided the following reasons why additional parking is needed:
  - 1. The existing parking lot is beyond capacity.
  - 2. The average growth rate for the business, Delta Controls, for the previous five years was 20% and Delta Controls forecasts continued growth.
  - 3. Delta Controls has investigated numerous solutions to the parking issues, including corporate ride-share and carpooling programs, shift work and public transit. All of these solutions improve the parking situation but do not represent a complete solution.
  - 4. The addition of approximately 70 new parking stalls will allow Delta Controls to accommodate the current number of cars and provide for growth.
  - 5. Delta Controls hopes to continue working in the Cloverdale area.
- Delta Controls occupies the neighbouring building to the east at 17899 55 Avenue. On December 15, 2011, a building permit was approved for tenant improvements to provide office space on the second floor. Approximately 60 parking spaces are provided at this site and no additional parking is required. However, Delta Controls anticipates that any additional parking needed for this building may be provided from excess parking proposed under the subject application.
- The proposed parking spaces are 5.5 metres (18 ft.) deep by 2.75 metres (9 ft.) wide. The two-way drive aisles are a minimum of 6.7 metres (22 ft.) wide. The small car parking spaces are 2.7 metres (8.9 ft.) wide by 4.9 metres (16 ft.) deep. All dimensions of the proposed parking spaces and drive aisles comply with the Zoning By-law.
- Less than 25% of the proposed parking spaces are designated for small cars.
- A parking space for the disabled is proposed near the northeast corner of the building, near the accessible entrance.
- The applicant obtained a Provincial Public Highway Permit as required by the Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure (MOTI) to reflect the current land use and zoning.
- The proposed free-standing sign is approximately 1.5 metres (5 ft.) high and 3 metres (10 ft.) wide (see By-law Variance Section). The sign is located within the Cloverdale Special Sign Area which permits a maximum height of 4.6 metres (15.0 ft.).
- The proposed sign area is 9.3 square metres (100 sq. ft.) for the double faced sign. The Sign By-law (No. 13656) permits a maximum total sign area of 27.8 square metres (300 sq. ft.).
- The Engineering Department has no objection to the proposed location of the free-standing sign.

• A sign permit was not issued for the fascia sign on the north face of the building. The applicant is required to submit a sign permit application as a condition of final approval of the Development Permit. No other signs exist on the building.

#### **PRE-NOTIFICATION**

- In accordance with Council policy, a Development Proposal sign was erected on the property.
- Staff have not received any telephone calls or correspondence with respect to the proposal.

#### **DESIGN PROPOSAL AND REVIEW**

#### Site Layout

- Primary access to the site will continue to be provided from an existing driveway off
  Highway No. 10. Secondary access will continue to be provided from the rear panhandle
  off 55 Avenue.
- Two new pedestrian paths are proposed: one will connect the subject site to the neighbouring site to the east (17899 55 Avenue) and another will be provided along the east side of the driveway off of Highway No. 10. The existing sidewalk on the west side of the driveway will remain.

#### **Landscaping**

- Rhododendrons, Azaleas, Dwarf Oregon Grape, Red Flowering Currant, and four deciduous trees will be planted along the Highway No. 10 frontage, bordered by a new three foot high split-rail fence.
- Several trees and shrubs will be retained, including an existing Blue Spruce tree along the
  driveway, hedging along the east and west property lines and several deciduous trees near
  the north face of the building. No by-law sized trees will be removed as part of this
  application.
- One tree is provided at the end of every four to six parking spaces. This is generally
  consistent with the recommendation in the Official Community Plan (OCP) for parking
  lot landscaping.

#### **Drainage**

• A storm water management plan must be completed to the satisfaction of the Engineering Department as a condition of building permit approval.

#### Lighting

• Four new light poles are proposed for the parking lot. An existing light pole will remain near the driveway entrance.

#### **Signage**

• The cabinet of the free-standing sign will be made from aluminum and painted black to match the existing building. The sign will not be illuminated.

• The sign will sit on a 0.6 metre (2 ft.) concrete base which will be surrounded by Azaleas and Ferns.

#### **BY-LAW VARIANCE AND JUSTIFICATION**

#### (a) Requested Variance:

• To vary the Sign By-law to increase the width of the free-standing sign, to exceed two-thirds of its height.

#### Applicant's Reasons:

• There is an existing concrete base for a free-standing sign, but the base does not contain a sign. The proposed free-standing sign sits on a base that is similar in shape and size to the existing concrete base.

#### **Staff Comments:**

- The proposed sign will have a low-profile and be surrounded with new landscaping.
- Staff support the proposed variance.

#### INFORMATION ATTACHED TO THIS REPORT

The following information is attached to this Report:

Appendix I. Lot Owners and Action Summary

Appendix II. Proposed Parking Plan, Landscape Plan and Site Plan

Appendix III. Engineering Summary

Appendix IV. Development Variance Permit No. 7911-0206-00

original signed by Judith Robertson

Jean Lamontagne General Manager Planning and Development

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#### Information for City Clerk

Legal Description and Owners of all lots that form part of the application:

1. (a) Agent: Name: Thomas S. Annandale

Address: Trb Architecture Inc.

1444 Alberni Street, Unit 410

Vancouver BC V6Z 2Z4

Tel: 604-682-6881

2. Properties involved in the Application

(a) Civic Address: 17850 Highway No. 10 (56 Avenue)

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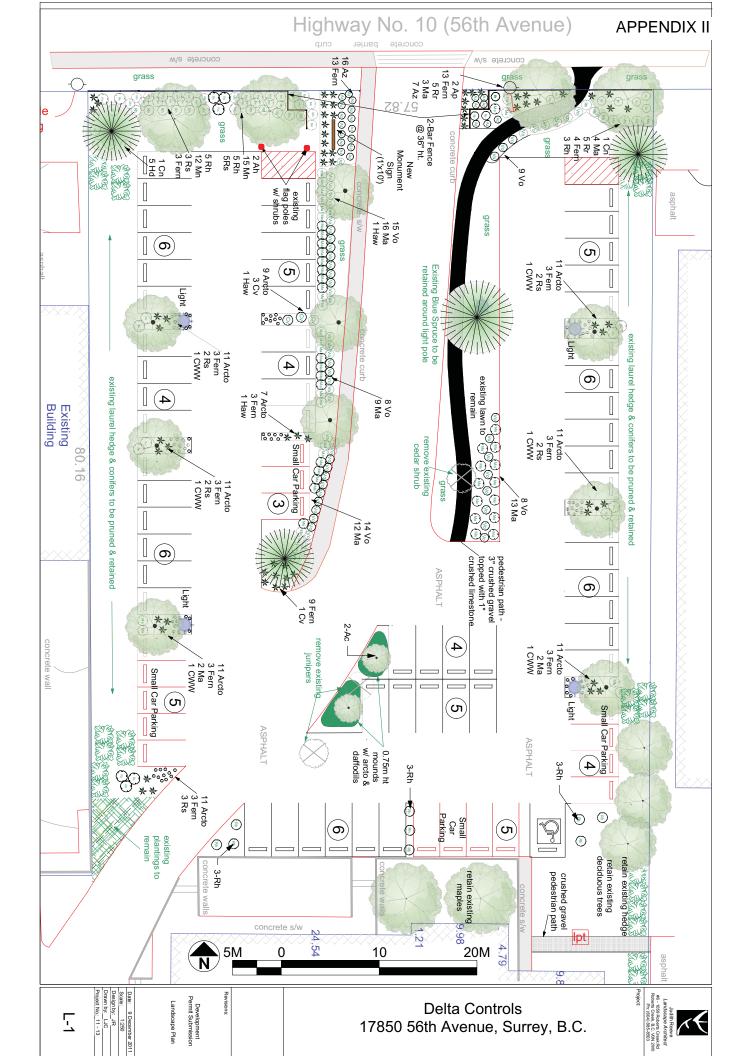
Owner: Energrated Holdings Ltd., Inc. No. 325809

PID: 000-464-970

Lot 57 North West Quarter Section 5 Township 8 New Westminster District Plan 59700

3. Summary of Actions for City Clerk's Office

(a) Proceed with Public Notification for Development Variance Permit No. 7911-0206-00 and bring the Development Variance Permit forward for an indication of support by Council. If supported, the Development Variance Permit will be brought forward for issuance and execution by the Mayor and City Clerk in conjunction with the final approval of the associated Development Permit.



Plant List & Notes

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#### 17850 56th Avenue, Surrey, B.C. Delta Controls

# Signage and Flagpoles:

1. Existing flagpoles will remain beside new signage per layout on plan.

Planting beds between parking spaces are to be aligned with existing mature conifers now obscured by the laurel hedges.

For continuity of urban design the new street trees at the north edge of the site will be species selected to match the existing tree groupings across the highway.

2. New low monument sign perpendicular to the highway - to be detailed.

## Pedestrian Pathways:

- Existing concrete pedestrian sidewalk to remain.
- 2. New crushed gravel pedestrian pathway connects to sidewalk at highway edge

New Parking Lot Lighting:  $1. \ \, \text{Four new lights in conformance with the City of Surrey Dark Sky policy (t.b.s.)}.$ 

All materials and workmanship to conform to the BC Landscape Standard, latest edition.

## LEGEND: (n.t.s.)

- Wooden Pole BCH, Tel & UG Outdoor Light 镦 0

  - New Monument Sign Existing Flag Poles

Crushed Gravel Path

- 0.75m ht. mound
- 2-Bar Fence w/ Posts

## Parking Tum-Around Area

#### Ground Cover (w/ Plant Symbol) Shrub (w/ Plant Symbol) Coniferous Tree Existing Hedges Deciduous Tree Fem (<del>2</del>)

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Existing Blue Spruce and all existing large trees on site to be protected and retained per City of Surrey Tree Protection Guidelines. Exceptions are the large overgrown shrub grouping around the flagpoles which will be selectively pruned and/or removed to make way for the new signage, and the large cedar shrub to the immediate south of the Blue

Existing Vegetation:

NOTES:

Heavily spring prune existing laurel hedges at east and west property lines to 1.5 meter width by 2.25 meter height. Where feasible, all reducing width to be removed from the

lawn side of the hedges.

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Spruce.

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#6 - 1059 Roberts Creek Rd Roberts Creek, B.C. V0N 2W0 Ph: (604) 885-8503

Qty B	Botanical Name	Common Name	Scheduled Size	Symbol
Trees				
2 F	2 Acer circinatum	Vine Maple	4m ht. multi-stem	Ac
2 F	2 Acer platanoides	Norway Maple	4m ht.	Арр
2 F	2 Aesculus hippocastanum	Horse Chestnut	4m ht.	Ah
3 0	3 Chamaecyparis nootkatensis	Yellow Cedar	4m ht.	Cu
9	6 Comus "White Wonder"	White Flowering Dogwood	3m ht. 6cm cal. B&B	CWW
3 (	3 Crataegus oxy. "Paul's Scarlet"	Scarlet Hawthorn	3m ht. 5cm cal WB	Haw

### Shrubs

Retain existing large deciduous tree grouping to east side of building and integrate with

small car spaces as appropriate.

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of Landscape Architect

Existing pyramidal conifers shrouded by laurel hedging are to be pruned and fertilized and are to have a minimum distance of four feet clear on three sides so that they are no longer screened by the laurels. As required, replace as appropriate under direction

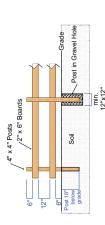
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3 Ceanothus 'Victoria'	California Lilac	#5 pot	ò
5 Holodiscus discolour	Oceanspray	#2 pot	Н
61 Mahonia aquifolium	Oregon Grape	#2 pot	Ma
27 Mahonia nervosa	Dwarf Oregon Grape	#1 pot	Mn
66 Polystichum munitum	Western Sword Fern	#2 pot	Fem
22 Rhododendron Yak.	Rhododendron	#5 pot	R
19 Ribes sanguineum	Red Flowering Currant	#2 pot	Rs
12 Rosa rugosa	Hansa Rose	#2 pot	Ŗ
54 Vaccinium ovatum	Fruiting Huckleberry	#2 pot	۸o

# Vines & Ground Cover

Arcto	
10 cm pot	
Kinnickinnick	
93 Arctostaphyllos uva-ursi	

# Additional Vines & Groundcover to be added to totals for 0.75m ht. Mounds

10 cm pot	Bulb
Kinnickinnick	Daffodil
50 Arctostaphyllos uva-ursi	200 Narcissus



2-Bar Fence Detail Scale: 3/16" = 1'

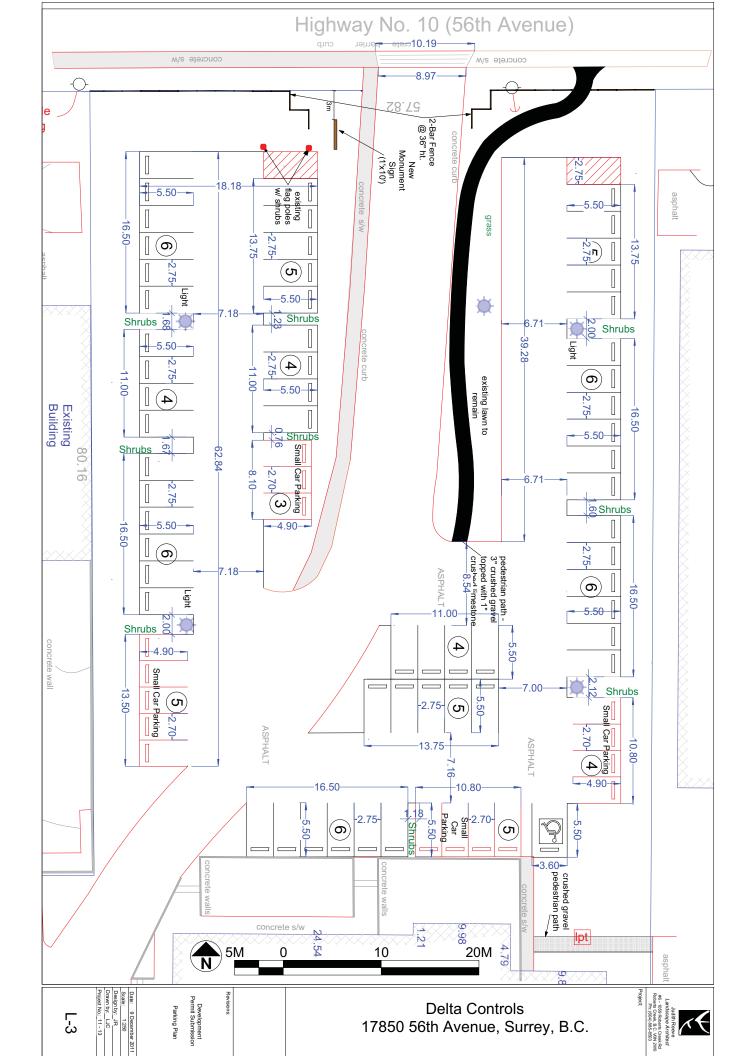
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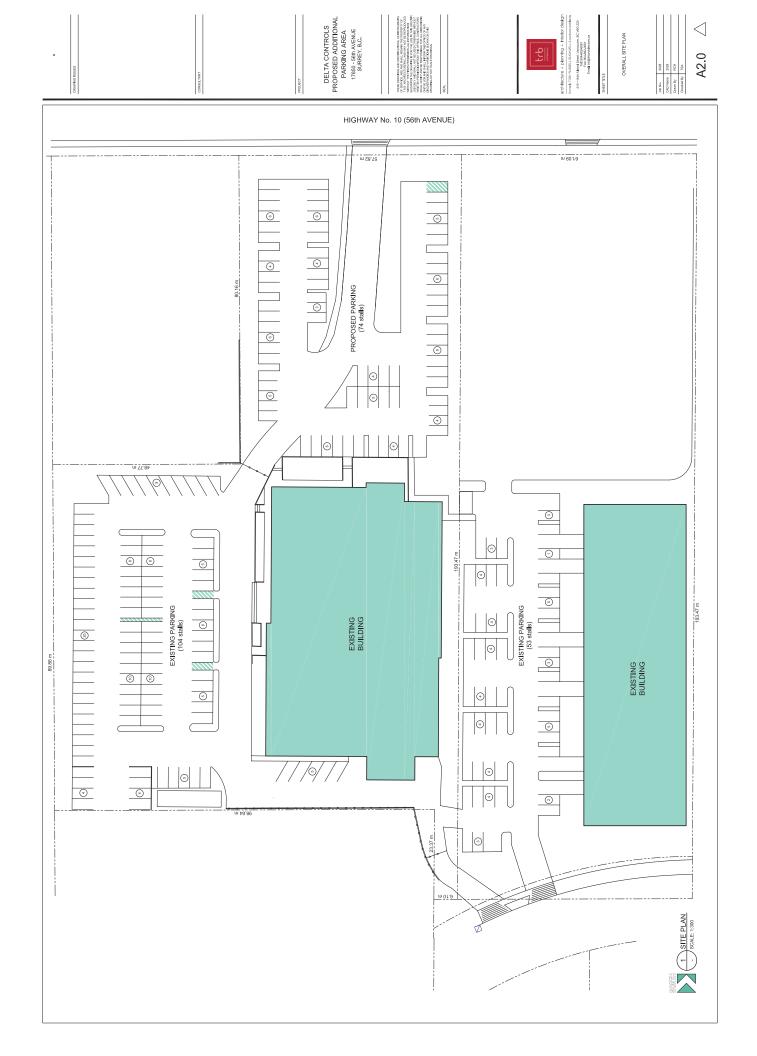
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Development Permit Submission

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## APPENDIX III INTER-OFFICE MEMO

TO:

Manager, Area Planning & Development

- North Surrey Division

**Planning and Development Department** 

FROM:

**Development Project Engineer, Engineering Department** 

DATE:

December 22, 2011

Revised January 4, 2011

PROJECT FILE:

7811-0206-00

RE:

**Engineering Requirements (Commercial/Industrial)** 

Location: 17850 No 10 (56 Ave) Hwy

#### DEVELOPMENT PERMIT/DEVELOPMENT VARIANCE PERMIT/

There are no engineering requirements relative to issuance of the Development Permit/ Development Variance Permit.

#### **BUILDING PERMIT**

The following issues are to be addressed as a condition of issuance of the subsequent Building Permit:

- Provide water quality/sediment control chamber for the proposed parking lot;
- Provide storm water analysis to confirm capacity of the downstream system.

Bob Ambardar, P.Eng.

**Development Project Engineer** 

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#### **CITY OF SURREY**

(the "City")

#### **DEVELOPMENT VARIANCE PERMIT**

NO.: 7911-0206-00

Issued To: ENERGRATED HOLDINGS LTD., INC. NO. 325809

("the Owner")

Address of Owner: Suite 301 - 6935 - 120 Street

Delta, BC V<sub>4</sub>E <sub>2</sub>A8

- 1. This development variance permit is issued subject to compliance by the Owner with all statutes, by-laws, orders, regulations or agreements, except as specifically varied by this development variance permit.
- 2. This development variance permit applies to that real property including land with or without improvements located within the City of Surrey, with the legal description and civic address as follows:

Parcel Identifier: 000-464-970 Lot 57 North West Quarter Section 5 Township 8 New Westminster District Plan 59700

17850 No 10 Highway (56 Avenue)

(the "Land")

- 3. Surrey Sign By-law, 1999, No. 13656, as amended is varied as follows:
  - (a) Part 5 Section 27(1)(h) is varied to increase the width of the free-standing to sign, to exceed two-thirds of its height.
- 4. The Land shall be developed strictly in accordance with the terms and conditions and provisions of this development variance permit.
- 5. This development variance permit shall lapse if the Owner does not substantially start any construction within two (2) years after Development Permit No. 7911-0206-00 is issued.
- 6. The terms of this development variance permit or any amendment to it, are binding on all persons who acquire an interest in the Land.

7.	This development variance permit is not a building permit.				
	ORIZING RESOLUTION PASSED BY T D THIS DAY OF , 20 .	HE COUNCIL, THE	DAY OF , 20 .		
		Mayor – Dianne	L. Watts		
		City Clerk – Jane	e Sullivan		

