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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING BEFORE THE BLAINE PLANNING COMMISSION

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Planning Commission of the City of Blaine, Minnesota, will hold a public hearing on the following application:

CASE: 19-0047

APPLICANT: William Storbeck Jr.

LOCATION: 799 101st Avenue NE

PETITION: The applicant is requesting a conditional use permit to allow for a small gunsmith business operated out of a garage in an R-1 (Single Family) zoning district. The business will involve machining components of firearms, but will not involve manufacturing or assembly of fully functional firearms.

Subject parcel is more particularly described as:

LOT 1, BLOCK 1, HORTONS FIRST ADDITION, ANOKA COUNTY, MINNESOTA

HEARING DATE AND TIME: Said hearing will take place on **Tuesday, December 10, 2019**, at the Blaine City Hall Council Chambers, located at 10801 Town Square Drive, Blaine, Minnesota, 55449 at 7PM.

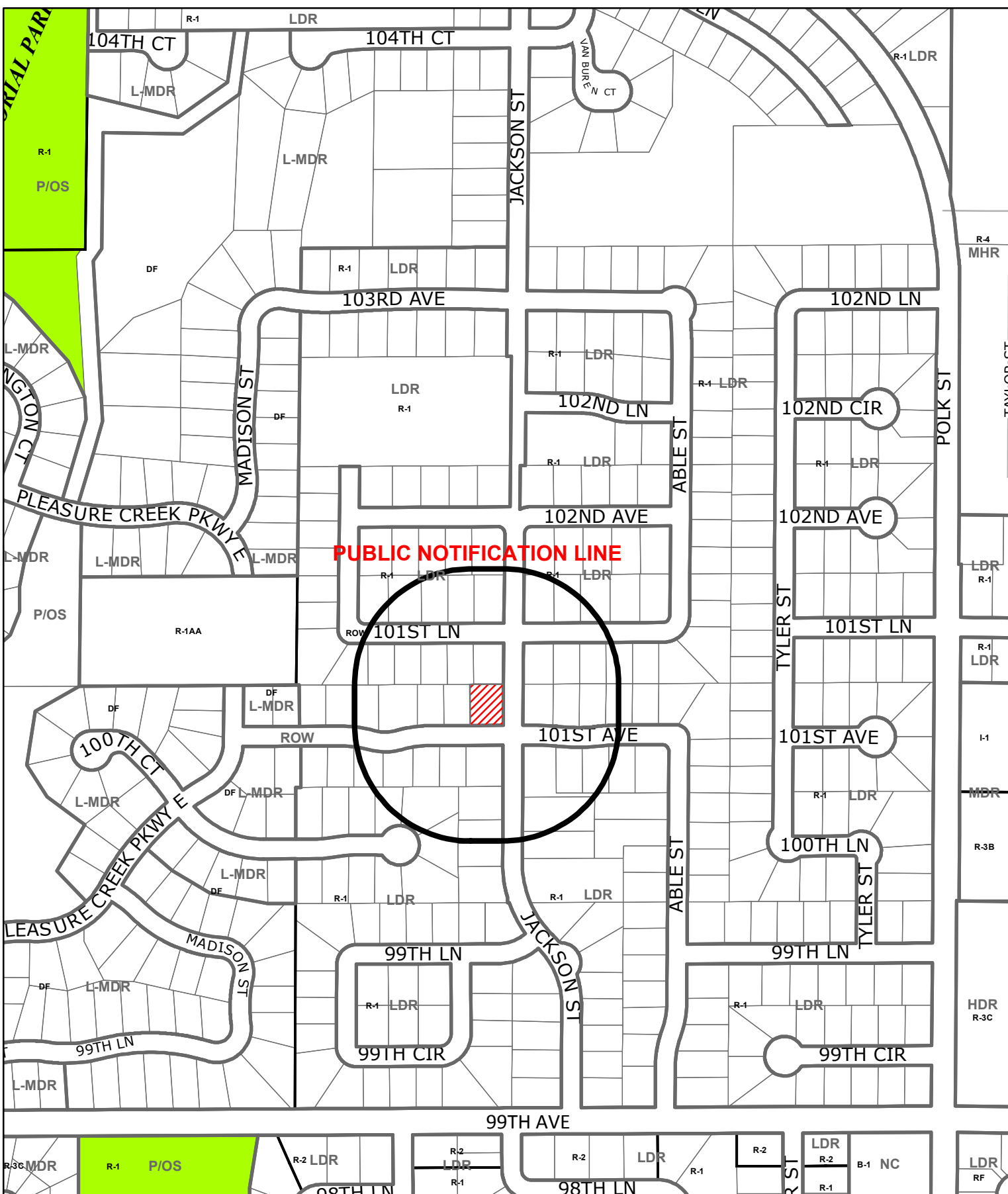
All interested persons are invited to attend and be heard. If you cannot attend, please submit your comments to the Planning Department by mail, fax (763) 717-2634, or email to Pat Robinson at probinson@blainemn.gov. Persons who have questions may call the Planning Department at (763) 785-6180. *Unsigned or anonymous comments will not be included in the public record.*

Persons planning to attend who need an interpreter or other auxiliary assistance should contact Pat Robinson at (763) 785-6180 no later than December 5, 2019.

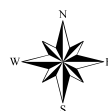
Catherine Sorensen, City Clerk

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Conditional Use Permit request for Beckmachine LLC

Owner: William Storbeck

Location: 799 101st Ave NE

Background information:

Beckmachine is small individually owned start up LLC. Anticipated annual earnings to be in range of \$5,000 to \$8,000 with the ability to grow to possibly \$20,000. With entry level earnings is it not financially possible to rent or lease industrial space at this time. As the company sales grow it is possible in the future to consider another location. Therefore, Beckmachine is asking City of Blaine to grant a CUP until sales allow consideration of a different business location.

Beckmachine has two distinct courses of activity, the First is small lot production turning. Typically, the customer provides the material needed for production. If material is purchased for the job its only enough to produce the order. No material is inventoried or stored on site. Small drop offs may be kept for future runs. The Second activity involves gunsmithing, we do the machine work to the barrel blank, fit it to the action and ship back to customer. At times receiving the action from the customer is needed to measure and produce a proper fit. This requires an FFL (Federal Firearms License) and at this time I have submitted my application to ATF (Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives). Also, we will be doing FFL firearm transfers once again the proper license is needed.

Beckmachine does not manufacture functioning firearms. We do the machining on the barrel blank only, this component is then shipped back to customer. The FFL is needed to receive actions occasionally for measurement and proper fit, again this component is shipped back to customer with the completed barrel blank. Per FFL requirements I do have a large gun safe to store the received actions until they are ready to be shipped back to customer.

To clarify a bit further: Beckmachine only does the machine work on the ends of the barrel. We need the action (part where the bolt rides in) to take measurements. The end of barrel is then turned, threaded and a chamber reamer is run into the barrel. The barrel and action are then sent back to customer for further work. At no time will Beckmachine ever produce a fully functioning firearm for sale.

As the state of Minnesota move towards Universal Background Checks (no private sales) Beckmachine also will have the ability to transfer ownership thru the FFL transfer process. I forecast no more than Two individual transfers per month for this activity. This process usually takes no more than 15 minutes per occurrence.

I understand that a small business running out of a garage could potentially impact the surrounding neighborhood and the need for the city to control this type of activity. Should the city of Blaine grant a CUP be assured that Beckmachine will not cause any issues for my neighbors. I do not have the ability to put the machines in basement at this time.

I have limited UPS traffic to drop offs only, this may take place a few times per month. Any parcels to be shipped will be transported by myself to the UPS facility, no pick-ups by carrier. Absolutely no trash, pallets, boxes or any waste other than what can be disposed of in my trash can will be generated. No storage of any materials, pallets or any other items outside of the garage. A very small amount round stock may be kept for future orders mainly drop offs. No hazardous materials will be used in production turning or gunsmithing activities.

Thank you for your consideration,

William Storbeck