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POLICY MEMORANDUM

TO: Jennifer Maghan, County Clerk
FROM: Jennifer M. Brockman, AICP, Director, Departments of Planning & Zoning
DATE: October 1, 2010
SUBJECT: Recordable Documents Requiring Approval by the Departments of Planning & Zoning

Division 20.100.A contained in *Article 20* of the Subdivision and Land Development Regulations states, "These Regulations are adopted pursuant to the authority granted by the Constitution and laws of West Virginia including, but not limited to, that contained in Chapter 8A, *Land Use Planning*, of the West Virginia Code."

All subdivision plats, site plans, lot mergers, vacating of streets, right-of-ways, and easements of access require prior review and approval by the Departments of Planning & Zoning before they can be recorded with the County Clerk. Provisions for these requirements are clearly outlined within the Subdivision and Land Development Regulations. The references are as follows:

Section 20.102.A states that all subdivision plats, site plans, lot mergers, vacating of streets, right-of-ways, and easements be reviewed and approved by the Departments of Planning & Zoning before being recorded.

Section 20.107 states that all conservation easements created for the purpose of preservation must submit a deed, with illustration of the area boundaries, to the Departments of Planning and Zoning prior to being recorded at the County Clerk.

Appendix A, Plan & Plat Standards requires signed approval by the County Engineer and County Planner. All plats require the signature of the Director of Planning & Zoning before they can be recorded.

Section 24.104 states that the applicant has 60 days after final approval to file and record a final minor subdivision plat.

Section 24.118 states that the applicant has 180 days after final approval to file and record a final major subdivision plat.

Due to the authority granted to the Departments of Planning and Zoning in the Subdivision and Land Development Regulations adopted by Jefferson County pursuant with West Virginia Code, Chapter 8A no subdivision plat, site plan, lot merger, vacating of streets, right-of-ways, easement of access or conservation easement shall be recorded at the County Clerk without prior approval by the Departments of Planning and Zoning. Proof of approval shall either be the signature of the Director, County Planner, Zoning Administrator or a stamped seal of the Departments of Planning and Zoning. For verification purposes, there is a full size stamped seal and a 9/16" seal that is used on documents that don't allow enough space for the full size stamped seal. An example of each will be provided.



Article 20 Jurisdiction and Development Types

Division 20.100 Authority and Jurisdiction

- A. **Authority.** These Regulations are adopted pursuant to the authority granted by the Constitution and laws of West Virginia including, but not limited to, that contained in Chapter 8A, *Land Use Planning*, of the West Virginia Code.
- B. **Jurisdiction.** Except as provided herein, all subdivision of land, all re-subdivision of land, all site development, and all land clearing except for agricultural purposes, within the unincorporated area of the County shall meet the standards of these Regulations and other County ordinances that control use (see Zoning Ordinance).

Sec. 20.101 Purpose

The purpose of the subdivision and land development regulations is to facilitate the County Government's review of proposals for development of land either by subdivision plat or site plan, to ensure that proposed subdivision plats or site plans meet the standards of the Jefferson County Zoning Ordinance and satisfy the legal requirements of the State and County for the subdivision and development of land, and to promote efficient and attractive development in a manner that reduces off-site impacts. These regulations are also designed to assure proposed development is, or will be, adequately supported by infrastructure including roads, road access, sewer and/or water facilities, stormwater management facilities and private and public utilities. These regulations also establish a review and approval process for subdivision plats and site plans, provide guidance for the preparation of subdivision plats and site plans and inform citizens of the standards that must be met for approval.

Sec. 20.102 Applicability

- A. **General.** All subdivisions, site plans, lot mergers, vacating of streets, right-of-ways, easements of access or for utilities or drainage shall be subject to the provisions of these Regulations. No recordation of such documents with the County Clerk shall be permitted until such documents have been reviewed and approved in accordance with these Regulations.
- B. **Approval Required.** Before development of the land is commenced, subdivision plats and site plans must be approved by the Planning Commission, recorded, and surety posted for required improvements in accordance with these Regulations and the Comprehensive Plan.

Sec. 20.103 Private Restrictions

The provisions of this Division are not intended to replace any deed restriction, covenant, easement, or any other private agreement regarding a parcel of land. All such restrictions shall be enforced by the parties to the restriction. The County shall not enforce or become involved in the enforcement of such private restrictions, and, in the review of development proposals, the County will apply only its regulations to evaluate the proposal. All subdividers shall submit the proposed private restrictions to the County with or before submitting the final plat or site plan. Covenants shall be consistent with the requirements of the County Zoning Ordinance and these Subdivision Regulations.

Sec. 20.104 Exceptions

- A. **General.** There shall be no exception from these Regulations for activities that involve the creation of lots, revision of lot lines that affect other properties other than the otherwise exempted uses, the creation or abandonment of roads, the provision of access to exterior roads, the vacating of public road right-of-ways, or the creation or



pursuant to a special exception, special use permit, conditional use permit or other agreement or zoning action be terminated or ended by a certain date or within a certain number of years.

2. Any subdivision or land development plan or plat, whether recorded or not yet recorded, valid under West Virginia law and outstanding as of January 1, 2010, shall remain valid until July 1, 2012, or such later date provided for by the terms of the Planning Commission or County Commission's local ordinance or for a longer period as agreed to by the Planning Commission or County Commission. Any other plan or permit associated with the subdivision or land development plan or plat shall also be extended for the same time period. *Provided, that* the land development plan or plat has received at least preliminary approval by the Planning Commission or County Commission by March 1, 2010.

Sec. 20.106 Adjustment of Lot Boundaries

All adjustments of boundary lines shall be subject to the requirements of this section. The adjustment of boundary lines or the consolidation of lots or portions of lots for the exclusive purpose of increasing land area or adjusting shape shall be approved, provided that access is not adversely affected, provided no new lot is created, and the remaining area of the lot from which the land is taken, satisfies requirements for minimum lot size in the zone district in which it is located. Lot boundary adjustments between non-conforming lots shall be exempt from the minimum lot size criteria unless the lot from which the land is taken is rendered unbuildable. Properties so merged must clearly state in the deed the following, unless otherwise approved by the Planning Director:

“The land(s) hereby conveyed is (are) adjacent to and contiguous with that certain parcel of land which is owned by the grantees herein, having been conveyed to them by deed of record in the Clerk’s Office of said County in Deed Book _____, Page _____, and this conveyance is made for the purpose of adjusting the boundary line(s) of said presently owned land(s) of the grantees.”

A plat shall be required to be recorded with the deed and shall clearly label the proposed merged land area.

Sec. 20.107 Conservation Easements

All easements created and approved by the Jefferson County Farmland Protection Board, or any other land viewshed, wildlife, water, or historic conservation agency or group, for the purpose of preservation shall process a deed with a corresponding exhibit detailing the boundary of the conservation area through the Departments of Planning and Zoning prior to recordation. The extinguishment and retention of any development rights shall be detailed in the deed and on the exhibit.

Division 20.200 Types of Development

Unless explicitly stated within the individual sections listed in this Division, all requirements of these Regulations apply to each of the types of development listed below. Appendix A and Appendix B are included as requirements. Each development type shall comply with the requirements of the zone district in which it is located and may be limited by that zone’s restrictions. Any subdivision in the Rural District since October 5, 1988, shall designate maximum density calculations on every plat. (See *Zoning Ordinance*) Residue parcels from which development rights have been utilized prior to the effective date of these Regulations shall remain as residue parcels. Such parcels shall be limited to the number of development rights to which the parcel was entitled prior to the effective date of these Regulations.



Sec. 24.104 Minor Subdivision Plat Application– Determination

General. An applicant for a minor subdivision plat shall be subject to the procedures of this Section upon submittal of a final plat application and the corresponding fees to the Planning Commission. All minor subdivision plats shall follow the final plat standards in Appendix A, *Plan & Plat Standards*.

- A. **Application Meeting.** Within seven days after the submission of the final plat, the applicant and the staff shall meet to discuss the proposed subdivision and the criteria used to classify the proposal as minor. The applicant may choose to waive this meeting but shall do so upon submission.
- B. **Site Inspection.** The staff shall make a site inspection of the proposed subdivision.
- C. **Determination.** Within ten days after the submission of the subdivision final plat, the staff shall notify the applicant in writing that the proposed subdivision has or has not been classified as a minor subdivision.
- D. **Approval.** Within ten days after the subdivision has been classified a minor subdivision, the staff shall approve, approve with conditions, or deny the plat. If the plat has been approved with conditions, the applicant shall be notified in writing of the conditions. The plat shall not be considered approved until all conditions are met and documented by staff.
- E. **Recordation.** The applicant shall have 60 days after approval to file and record the final plat, together with any deed restrictions/covenants as may be required, in accordance with W.Va. Code §39-1-13. The approval shall become void if it is not filed within the 60 day period. The following documents shall be submitted to the Department of Planning:
 - 1. One (1) mylar copy of the Final Plat suitable for recordation and acceptable to the Clerk of Jefferson County;
 - 2. Three (3) paper copies of the Final Plat;
 - 3. One (1) digital copy of the Final Plat compatible with the Jefferson County GIS, as specified by the Jefferson County GIS requirements; and
 - 4. One (1) digital copy of any deed restrictions/covenants in a form suitable to the Department.



1. The plan (plan, plat, final engineering, or final landscaping) is inconsistent with the approved preliminary plan or conditions of said approval.
 2. Failure to provide surety.
- C. **Plat Signing.** The Planning Commission President shall authorize the signing of the plat.
- D. **Effect and Vesting.** The approval of the final plat application and signing of the plat makes the document recordable.

Sec. 24.118 Major Subdivision Final Plat - Recording

The applicant shall have 180 days after approval to file and record the final plat for lots to be recorded, together with any deed restrictions as may be required, in accordance with W.Va. Code §39-1-13. The approval shall become void if it is not recorded within the 180 day period. The following documents shall be submitted to the Department of Planning:

- A. One (1) mylar copy of the Final Plat suitable for recordation and acceptable to the Clerk of Jefferson County;
- B. Three (3) paper copies of the Final Plat;
- C. One (1) digital copy of the Final Plat compatible with the Jefferson County GIS, as specified by the Jefferson County GIS Office-requirements; and
- D. One (1) digital and one (1) paper copy of any deed restrictions/covenants in a form suitable to the Department.



Appendix A – Plan & Plat Standards

Division 1.0 Plan/Plat Requirements

Sec. 1.1 Sketch Plan

The Sketch Plan submitted for review at the Pre-application Conference or Review shall be on white paper and shall show in simple form the proposed layout of lots, parking areas, recreation areas, roads, building areas and other features in relation to each other and to the tract boundary. Significant natural and topographic features such as woods, watercourses, floodplain, floodway, hillsides, prominent rock outcroppings, sinkholes and quarries shall be indicated.

The Sketch Plan shall be accompanied by a tract location map and a tentative list of restrictive covenants and conditions or a tentative statement of project objectives, rules and regulations.

Sec. 1.2 Concept Plan

For subdivisions and site development projects, the Concept Plan submitted shall be on white paper and shall show in simple form the proposed layout of lots, parking areas, recreation areas, roads, building areas and other features in relation to each other and to the tract boundary. The Concept Plan shall be at a scale acceptable to the Engineer. Contour lines as shown on the appropriate U.S.G.S. Topographic Quadrangle map should be transferred to the Concept Plan. Natural features such as woods, watercourses, hillsides, prominent rock outcroppings, sinkholes and quarries should be highlighted.

The Concept Plan shall be accompanied by a tract location map and a tentative list of restrictive covenants and conditions or a tentative statement of project objectives, rules and regulations.

Sec. 1.3 Preliminary Plat or Site Plan

A. Plat/Plan Requirements.

The Preliminary Plat and/or Site Plan shall be drawn or reproduced on paper at a scale of one inch (1") equals one hundred feet (100') or larger. The plat or plan shall be twenty-four inches (24") by thirty-six inches (36") in size. More than one sheet may be used provided all sheets are referenced by a sheet index on the cover sheet. The plat or plan shall be signed and sealed by a licensed professional engineer or surveyor in accordance with the West Virginia law. (Note: Final Plat size is 18" x 24")

The Preliminary Plat or the Site Plan is essentially the construction drawings for the subdivision or site development project. The Preliminary Plat or Site Plan shall show or be accompanied by:

1. A ½ inch border along all sides except the left side (a 24" side) which shall have a 1-3/4 inch border to allow for a binder.
2. A title block in the lower right corner to include:
 - The Official name of the subdivision or site development.
 - The names: "Jefferson County, West Virginia."
 - Tax District, Tax Map Number and Parcel Number.
 - Deed book number and page number.
 - Property Owner's name, address and telephone number.
 - Developer's name, address and telephone number.
 - Engineer and Surveyor of record's signature, seal, name, address & telephone number.



3. Tic Marks/SPCS WV North NAD83
4. North arrow, graphic scale and date.
5. A small scale inset map showing the location of the subdivision or site development in the County. The map shall be at 1" = 2000' scale, or other scale approved by the County Engineer.
6. If applicable, a small scale inset map showing the location of the subdivision section relative to other sections of the same subdivision.
7. For Preliminary Plats the subdivision perimeter boundary described by bearings and distances. The perimeter boundary shall be established by a network of traverse control having a relative error of closure of 1:7500 or better.

For Site Plans, the lot boundary shall be described by bearings and distances. The source of said boundary description shall be noted on the site plan and either a copy of the recorded plat that created the lot, or a certification by a licensed surveyor that a traverse meeting error of closure of 1:7500 or better is provided.

If the survey is based on global positioning system measurements, the relative positional accuracy of the survey measurements shall not be less than that which is specified.

8. Lot boundary lines drawn to scale and dimensioned.
9. A number to identify each lot and numbered in logical order.
10. A key to all symbols. (Identify monuments and markers according to type and whether "found", "set", or "to be set").
11. Existing easements and right-of-ways accurately identified, located, dimensioned and drawn to scale.
12. Proposed easements and right-of-ways (roads, sidewalks, drainage, utilities, etc.) identified, located, dimensioned and drawn to scale. Roads shall be named. Road names shall be approved by the Jefferson County Addressing Office.

Where the adjoining State Road has a right-of-way of less than 50 feet wide, either a fee simple dedication or a road improvement easement will be provided which is a minimum of 25 feet wide measured from the existing centerline of the State road right-of-way.

13. Future easements and right-of-ways that may serve at a future date to connect with adjoining properties.
14. Identification of all current adjoining properties by ownership, tax district, tax map number, and parcel number, deed book reference, zoning district, and use. Departure lines for adjoining properties shall be shown on the plat or plan.
15. Contour lines with minimum vertical intervals of two feet (2') shall be required. Source of contour line information shall be stated on the plat or plan. Greater contour intervals may be acceptable by the County Engineer, if compatible with surface topography. (Interpolation of U.S.G.S. contour information is not acceptable.)
16. The location and elevation of benchmarks used in the survey, if applicable.
17. Show existing physical features including: woods, watercourses, prominent rock



outcroppings, sink holes, quarries, culverts, bridges, drains, buildings, sewer lines, water mains, fire hydrants, power lines, and telephone lines. Show locations and associated topography of any off-site man-made structure which is located up to 200 feet downstream from any drainage pipe or stormwater management facility outfall. Where access to off-site property is not allowed, then show the general location of any man-made structure on the plan. Show the limits of the 100-year floodplain and any delineated wetlands.

18. Show adjoining roads including the right-of-way widths, road pavement widths, road names and route numbers.
19. A tentative list of restrictive covenants. (This is not needed for site plans.)
20. Reservations of land for public or semi-public use.
21. Surface drainage plan and erosion control methods, including flow computations, direction of flow, culverts, bulkheads, inlets, and other related improvements to be installed. Materials and dimensions of all improvements and description of vegetative or other stabilizing materials intended for all exposed areas.
22. Complete design and construction plans, profiles and engineering specifications for proposed water treatment and distribution facilities and proposed sewage collection and treatment facilities to be installed.
23. Note on the plat or plan, the West Virginia Division of Highways entrance permit number and provide a copy of the entrance permit.
24. Note on the plat or plan, the West Virginia Bureau of Health and/or Jefferson County Health Department permit numbers for water/well and septic/sanitary sewer systems; and provide a copy of the approved plans and permits.
25. Demonstrate that appropriate agreements between the Jefferson County Public Service District and the developer are in place, if applicable.
26. Note on the plat or plan, the West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) permit numbers for all DEP approvals required for the project.
27. Evidence that the West Virginia Public Service Commission has been notified in writing of intentions to construct and operate water/sewer systems, if applicable.
28. Complete design and construction plans, profiles, cross-sections and engineering specifications for roads, sidewalks, curbs and gutters to be installed.
29. Description of soils and subsurface geology and hydrology.
30. Show building setback lines and note the minimum building setbacks on the plat or plan.
31. In the Rural District, all plats and plans shall provide a density calculation and a notation that contains one of the following statements:

“This subdivision, together with past subdivision of this property, has utilized all development potential or lots to which the _____ acre parent parcel is entitled under the terms of the Jefferson County Subdivision Regulations. No additional lots will be permitted subsequent to the approval of this plat of subdivision unless or until such time as the



property may be rezoned or amendments to the County development regulations may permit additional subdivision.”

“To date, this subdivision, together with all past subdivisions of this property, has utilized _____ development rights to which the _____ acre parent parcel is entitled to _____ under the terms of the Jefferson County Subdivision Regulations. _____ additional lots will be permitted subsequent to the approval of this plat of subdivision unless or until such time as the property may be rezoned or amendments to the County development regulations may permit additional subdivision.”

- 32. Provide a Signature Block on the cover sheet for the County Engineer and the County Planner approvals. The signature block shall read as follows:

Jefferson County, West Virginia	
<input type="checkbox"/> PRELIMINARY PLAT APPROVAL	
<input type="checkbox"/> SITE PLAN APPROVAL	
BY _____	_____
County Engineer	Date
BY _____	_____
County Planner	Date

- 33. General Construction Notes

In addition to the general construction notes provided by the engineer of record, the following table of construction notes and milestone inspections shall be placed on the plat or plan cover sheet:



Jefferson County
CONSTRUCTION NOTES

(Table 1.2-1)

1.	Erosion & Sediment Control Measures shall be in place and inspected prior to performing any significant earth disturbing activities and site grading.
2.	<p>Earth Work shall be compacted to the percentages of maximum dry density in accordance with AASHTO T99C, as shown below:</p> <p>a. Roadways..... 98%</p> <p>b. Parking Lots for heavy trucks..... 98%</p> <p>c. Parking Lots for passenger vehicles..... 95%</p> <p>d. Utility line trenches..... 98%</p> <p>e. Building Pads.....100%</p> <p>The above compaction requirements shall be certified by a professional engineer or a soils technician under the direction of a professional engineer, and acceptable to the County Engineer.</p>
3.	Changes and revisions to the construction plans and specifications shall not be made unless first submitted in writing and approved by the County Engineer and any other agencies, as deemed appropriate.
4.	Work zone temporary traffic control along a public road shall be in accordance with West Virginia Division of Highway requirements and approval.
5.	Seventy-two (72) hours prior to excavation in public right-of-ways or in areas served by underground utilities, call MISS UTILITY 1-800-245-4848.

Jefferson County
SITE WORK
MILESTONE INSPECTIONS

The developer shall request County Engineer inspections minimum of 48 hours in advance (Call 304-728-3228). Inspections shall be requested according to the Table of Milestones shown below:

1.	Installation of Sediment & Erosion Control Devices prior to beginning site grading.
2.	Roadway and/or parking lot subgrade proof roll prior to placing stone base.
3.	Roadway and/or parking lot stone base depth check prior to placing asphalt or concrete pavement.
4.	Water system and Sanitary sewer system inspection and approval by the public service district/utility prior to backfilling of trenches.
5.	Final inspection including but not limited to: seeding & mulching, roadway & parking lot paving, sidewalks, storm drainage and stormwater management systems, traffic control signs & pavement markings, landscaping, etc.

Note: The County Engineer may accept "third-party" inspection and certification reports in place of inspections performed by the Jefferson County Engineering Department, upon prior approval. Third-party inspection reports shall be submitted in the format specified by the County Engineer.



34. The following table listing waivers approved by the Jefferson County Planning Commission and variances approved by the Jefferson County Board of Zoning Appeals shall be placed on the Preliminary Plat, Site Plan or Final Plat cover sheet, as applicable. If no waivers or variances are granted, then a statement of “None granted,” shall be placed in the table:

Jefferson County – Complete List of Waivers/Variations (Table 1.2-2)			
Ordinance	Section of Ordinance	Description of Waiver or Variance	Date Granted

35. The Preliminary Plat and/or Site Plan shall be sealed, signed and dated by the Engineer of Record and the Surveyor of Record, as may be applicable, in accordance with state law.

B. Plat/Plan Changes.

In the event conditions are encountered during construction which make the approved Preliminary Plat and/or Site Plan impractical or excessively costly, field changes may be proposed in writing, by the developer through the developer’s design consultant, to the County Engineer. The County Engineer will review the proposed changes to determine whether or not the change is major and subject to Planning Commission action. In either case, the Engineer and staff will determine the technical acceptability of the proposed changes. Where said changes are minor, technically acceptable and in accord with the Ordinances the Engineer and staff may grant a field change. Modified plans, with changes shown as “redline revisions,” shall be signed and sealed by the engineer or surveyor of record, as applicable, and filed with the Planning Commission office.

Sec. 1.4 Final Plat

The Final Plat shall be drawn or reproduced on mylar for recordation. The plat shall be drawn at a scale of one inch (1") equals one hundred feet (100') or larger and shall be eighteen inches (18") by twenty-four (24") in size. More than one sheet may be used provided all sheets are indexed on the cover sheet.

The Final Plat is the plat for recordation of the lots created by the subdivision. The Final Plat shall show or be accompanied by:

1. A ½ inch border along all sides except the left side (an 18" side) which shall have a 1-3/4 inch border for binding.
2. A title block in the lower right corner to include:
 The Official name of the subdivision by which it is to be recorded.
 The names: “Jefferson County, West Virginia.”
 Tax District, Tax Map Number and Parcel Number.
 Deed book number and page number.



Property Owner's name, address and telephone number.

Developer's name, address and telephone number.

Engineer and Surveyor of record's name, address and telephone number.

3. Tic Marks/SPCS WV North NAD83
4. North arrow, graphic scale and date.
5. A small scale inset map showing the location of the subdivision in the County. The map shall be 1" = 2,000' scale, or other scale approved by the County Engineer.
6. If applicable, a small scale inset map showing the general location of the subdivision section relative to other sections of the same subdivision.
7. For the Final Plat, the subdivision perimeter boundary described by bearings and distances. The perimeter boundary shall be established by a network of traverse control having a relative error of closure of 1:7500 or better. All perimeter corners shall be permanently marked and in place.

If the survey is based on global positioning system measurements, the relative positional accuracy of the survey measurements shall not be less than that which is specified above.
8. Lot boundary lines drawn to scale and dimensioned.
9. Lot boundary lines described by bearings and distances. Lot boundaries shall be established by a network of traverse control having a relative error of closure of 1:7500 or better.
10. Show the location and description lot markers and permanent concrete control monuments. The lot markers and permanent concrete control monuments shall be in accordance with state law. Where possible, permanent concrete monuments should be intervisible; at least 750 feet apart; away from future roadwork; and at least 2 per section or block.
11. Show building setback lines and note the building setbacks on the plat.
12. A number to identify each lot and numbered in logical order.
13. A key to all symbols. (Identify monuments and markers according to type and whether "found", "set", or "to be set").
14. Existing easements and right-of-ways accurately identified, located, dimensioned and drawn to scale.
15. Proposed easements and right-of-ways (roads, sidewalks, drainage, utilities, etc.) identified, located, dimensioned and drawn to scale. Roads shall be named. Road names shall be approved by the Jefferson County Addressing Office.
16. Future easements and right-of-ways that may serve at a future date to connect with adjoining properties.
17. Identification of all current adjoining properties by ownership, tax district, tax map number, parcel number, and deed book and page reference. Departure lines for adjoining properties shall be shown on the plat.
18. Show and identify reservations of land for public or semi-public use.



19. Show existing adjoining roads including the right-of-ways widths, road names and route numbers.
20. Delineate the approximate 100-Year Floodplain and show any delineated wetlands that are located on or adjacent to the subdivision.
21. Area of each lot to the nearest 0.01 acre or to the nearest 100 square feet.
22. Curve data—radius, delta, arc, tangent, chord and chord bearing.
23. A computation of the total tract area and a computation of the land area included in the right-of-ways.
24. Descriptive lines inside the tract boundary:
 - Tract boundary - heavy dashed and two dotted lines
 - Lot boundaries - medium solid lines
 - Right-of-ways - heavy solid lines
 - Restriction lines - medium dashed lines
 - Easements and other reserved areas - medium dotted lines
25. Descriptive lines outside the tract boundary:
 - Property lines of adjacent tracts - medium dashed and two dotted lines
 - Lot boundaries - light solid lines
 - Right-of-ways - medium solid lines
 - Restriction lines -light dashed lines
 - Easements and other reserved areas - light dotted lines

(NOTE: Descriptive lines outside the tract boundary are useful for purposes of tract location and orientation. However, such outside lines are not within the scope of the subdivision being platted and should not be given dimensions which might confuse existing descriptions on record).
26. A notation that states:
 - “The Seller of any lot within this subdivision shall provide the Buyer with a reasonable opportunity, before settlement, to determine that the lot is suitable for the construction of a septic disposal system. If, before settlement, the Buyer is denied a septic system construction permit by the Jefferson County Health Department, the Buyer may refuse to purchase the lot without penalty.”
27. For major subdivisions, a Statement of Acceptance placed on the plat cover sheet, signed and dated by the developer/subdivider. The Statement shall read:
 - “The developer, in signing this plat, agrees to abide by all conditions, terms and specifications provided hereon; and to complete all the improvements required by the preliminary plat.”

For minor subdivisions, a Statement of Acceptance placed on the plat cover sheet, signed and dated by the developer/subdivider. The Statement shall read:

 - “The developer, in signing this plat, agrees to abide by all conditions, terms



and specifications provided hereon.”

28. Certification of the Surveyor of Record as to the preparation and accuracy of the plat, along with the Surveyor of Record’s professional seal and signature.
29. Note on the plat, the West Virginia Division of Highways entrance permit number and provide a copy of the entrance permit.
30. Note on the plat, the West Virginia Bureau of Health and/or Jefferson County Health Department permit numbers for water/well and septic/sanitary sewer systems; and provide a copy of the approved plans and permits.
31. Such other conditions, certificates, affidavits, endorsements, dedications or agreements as may be deemed necessary by the Planning Commission.
32. A final list of restrictive covenants and/or the declaration in accordance with the West Virginia Uniform Common Interest Ownership Act shall be submitted with the Final Plat. However, they shall not become part of the Final Plat.
33. Signature block placed on the plat cover sheet for the signature of the Director of Planning and Zoning and the affixing of the Planning Commission’s seal.
34. Provide a list of waivers on the Final Plat cover sheet in accordance with Appendix A, Section 1.2.A. 34.
35. In the Rural District, all plats shall provide a density calculation and a notation that states one of the following statements:

“This subdivision, together with past subdivision of this property, has utilized all development potential or lots to which the _____ acre parent parcel is entitled under the terms of the Jefferson County Subdivision Regulations. No additional lots will be permitted subsequent to the approval of this plat of subdivision unless or until such time as the property may be rezoned or amendments to the County development regulations may permit additional subdivision.”

“To date, this subdivision, together with all past subdivisions of this property, has utilized _____ development rights to which the _____ acre parent parcel is entitled to _____ under the terms of the Jefferson County Subdivision Regulations. _____ additional lots will be permitted subsequent to the approval of this plat of subdivision unless or until such time as the property may be rezoned or amendments to the County development regulations may permit additional subdivision.”

36. Proposed easements and right-of-ways (roads, sidewalks, drainage, utilities, etc.) identified, located, dimensioned and drawn to scale. Roads shall be named. Road names shall be approved by the Jefferson County Addressing Office.

Where the adjoining State Road has a right-of-way of less than 50 feet wide, either a fee simple dedication or a road improvement easement will be provided which is a minimum of 25 feet wide measured from the existing centerline of the State road right-of-way.



Sec. 1.5 Recordation of Final Plats for Major Subdivisions

The applicant shall have 180 days after approval to file and record the Final Plat in accordance with W.Va. Code § 39-1-13. The approval shall become void if it is not filed within the 180-day period. The following documents shall be submitted to the Department of Planning:

1. One (1) mylar copy of the Final Plat suitable for recordation and acceptable to the Clerk of Jefferson County;
2. Three (3) paper copies of the Final Plat;
3. One (1) digital copy of the Final Plat compatible with the Jefferson County GIS, as specified by the Jefferson County GIS Office requirements; and
4. One (1) digital and one (1) paper copy of any deed restrictions/covenants in a form suitable to the Department.

(For recordation requirements for Minor Subdivision Final Plats, see Section 24.104(E), *Recordation*.)

Sec. 1.6 Bonding

All bonding and securities for such bonding (bonding shall be a minimum amount of 115% of the cost of all improvements) shall be submitted and approved during this time period. Satisfactory bonding and surety shall be submitted, approved and in place prior to recordation of the final plat. Bonding shall be provided in accordance with the County Commission of Jefferson County's bonding policy.

The developer/subdivider shall submit an itemized estimate of the costs for completing all improvements shown on the Preliminary Plat/Plan and/or Site Plan. The estimate shall be prepared by the engineer of record. The estimate shall be in a format specified by the Chief County Engineer.

For additional site work required due to plat or plan changes approved under Appendix A, Section 1.2.B, *Plat/Plan Changes*, additional bonding shall be provided as determined by the County Engineer.