



Hingham Planning Board
210 Central Street
Hingham, MA 02043

August 14, 2026

**Re: 40A Hersey Street - Application for Site Plan Approval (Minor Site Plan)
Response to Review Comments**

Dear Planning Board Members:

This letter and accompanying documents are submitted in response to comments made in a peer review letter prepared by PGB Engineering, LLC (PGB) after their review of the Application for Site Plan Approval submitted for 40A Hersey Street. Additionally, this submittal serves to address initial review comments made by Rachel Agiorgitis, Senior Planner for the Town of Hingham after her review of the SPA documents. Below are our responses to the comments. For reference, we have included the original comments made by PGB and Ms. Agiorgitis.

PPG Comments and Responses

1. The drainage calculations indicate that post-development rates and volumes of runoff will not exceed existing conditions.

No response required.

2. The Site Plan and narrative text in the Design and Performance Standards - Supplemental Information indicate that there are no protected trees on the property. However, there appear to be several trees in the Tree Yard that would be protected trees (we note that none of these trees are proposed to be removed).

The trees along the perimeter of the property within the tree yard are Norway Maple trees and are considered invasive. The trees, however, will not be removed and shall be protected to the maximum extent possible during construction.

3. The Construction Schedule on Sheet C-5 has installation of the stormwater infiltration system after installation of the foundation for the new dwelling. The Applicant should

consider installing the subsurface infiltration system prior to foundation installation because truck and machine access to the backyard will be limited once the foundation is installed.

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The Construction Schedule has been revised as recommended to install the subsurface infiltration system prior to the foundation installation.

Planning Comments and Responses

- Please show Critical Root Zones of trees in the Tree Yard.

The plans have been revised to show the Critical Root Zones of trees in the Tree Yard as requested.

- Please provide the Gross Floor Area and Living Area of each floor, as well as the garage and attic space.

The requested information is shown on the Site Plan (Sheet No. C-2).

- Please show top and bottom wall elevations for back patio retaining walls.

Top and bottom of patio retaining wall elevations have been added to the revised Grading Plan (Sheet No. C-3) as requested.

- The Applicant should consider providing photos of the site and neighborhood along with their neighborhood analysis.

Photos of the subject property and select neighboring properties have been included and are enclosed.

We hope this information addresses any remaining concerns that the Board has regarding this project. Two (2) copies of the revised plans and the neighborhood analysis are enclosed. Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Sincerely,
For SITEC Engineering & Environmental Consultants, Inc.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jeffrey A. Couture". The signature is stylized with a large, sweeping "J" and "C".

Jeffrey A. Couture, P.E.
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