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THE CHAIRMAN: Welcome to the Eastchester Planning Board meeting of Thursday, April 28, 2022. If everyone would rise for the

5 Pledge of Allegiance, please. 6

(Pledge of Allegiance.)

THE CHAIRMAN: I'm going to do the

roll call here. Mr. Phil Nemecek.

MR. NEMECEK: Present.

THE CHAIRMAN: Mr. Anthony Giacobbe.

MR. GIACOBBE: Present.

THE CHAIRMAN: Jim Bonanna is present.

Mr. Mark Cunningham could not be with us this

evening. Mr. Louis Campana.

MR. CAMPANA: Present.

THE CHAIRMAN: I'll just quickly go

through the agenda items. We have two new

applications. One is Haiku, 693 White Plains

Road. The second is 22-15, Amoco Station at

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20 497 New Rochelle Road. We have an application

21 which we've seen previously which is coming

22 back, and it's 21-32 95A Tuckahoe Avenue.

MS. UHLE: We have one item that was 23

24 adjourned, in case anyone --

THE CHAIRMAN: Is watching. That is

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2 Last year we did it, two years back we

3 did it, and they came and do the Inspection;

the Fire Department came by, the Building

Department came by. This year we thought of

doing it again. A lot of people like outdoor 6

7 seating, so I was thinking to apply as a

8 permanent permit.

9 MR. NEMECEK: I think I took a look at

10 the website, and it has pictures of the outdoor

11 seating. That's the seating that was permitted

by the town during the Covid crisis; right?

DANIEL: That's right.

14 MR. NEMECEK: You're looking to gain a

permanent ability to maintain the outdoor

seating?

DANIEL: Yes.

MR. NEMECEK: Okay.

THE CHAIRMAN: I guess the obvious

20 question is, the tables get moved back every

21 day or they stay out there?

DANIEL: They're moved in every day at

23 nighttime.

MS. UHLE: They're required to be

moved in. So they're either required to be 25

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           THE CHAIRMAN: Motion to approve this
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   application, 22-10, Haiku, 693 White Plains
   Road.
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           MR. NEMECEK: Second.
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           THE CHAIRMAN: All in favor.
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           THE CHAIRMAN: You're good, Thank
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           MR. NEMECEK: Thank you.
           THE CHAIRMAN: Thank you. Hope you
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   guys have a nice summer, nice spring, nice
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   summer.
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           MR. NEMECEK: Best of luck.
           MR. CAMPANA: Good luck.
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MR. VILLANI: Good evening. My name is Jonathan Villani, and I represent Annunziata Villani Design Consultants. We are the designers and consultants for our client, the

MR. GIACOBBE: Good luck.

THE CHAIRMAN: Thank you.

22 Amoco Station at 497 New Rochelle Road.23 We're proposing a canopy structure

that's fully on property, but due to the factthat the clearance has to 14 foot 6 to 15 feet

5 that the clearance has to 14 foot 6 to 15 fe DINA M. MORGAN, REPORTER

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    to the underside of the canopy, it naturally
    goes above the 15 foot allowable accessory
    structure height.
    We are trying to -- let me show you.
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I'll bring this over. So our structure is basically white trim with an asphalt shingle 7 roof that's going to match the existing. There's a similar canopy structure that's 9 further down the block that I believe is in the 10 application photos. So we're attempting to put 11 a gable to make it look more traditional 12 residential look with white columns coming 13 14 down.

This is preliminary. Obviously, we 15 16 have to get a zoning variance to come back and see you guys after that, but this is what we're 17 proposing here. Just to say, the clients are 18 19 not totally against adjusting the pitch to lower it a little bit if we have to. The pitch 20 of the roof is not set in stone, but we do want 21 22 to create an angle enough that asphalt shingles 23 could -- a four pitch so the asphalt shingles 24 could be used because below a four pitch they can't be -- they start to -- the warranty and

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1 EASTCHESTER PLANNING BOARD MEETING - 4/28/22 2 they wear out.

3 MS. UHLE: Can I make one quick 4 comment because I have an error in my meeting notes where I say for this canopy -- fire 5 6 suppression systems I said they're not permitted. That's not true. They're not 7 required any longer, and so most canopies are 8 9 not proposing them anymore for a variety of 10 reasons. I don't believe yours has a fire suppression system. 11

MR. VILLANI: No fire suppression. That was the reason it was previously approved over the property line, then we scooted it back now onto the property line.

MS. UHLE: Under any circumstances even with just a canopy, all commercial applications are reviewed by the Fire Department. I guess for a variety of reasons some of the fire suppression systems in the canopies have been a little problematic, so that's why they're no longer required.

MR. NEMECEK: Out of curiosity, what are they replaced by?

MS. UHLE: First of all, my DINA M. MORGAN, REPORTER

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MR. VILLANI: They also have hard stops now, what they call hard stops, which are a button inside and outside the structure which shuts off the fuel to the gas tank, which then shuts off the flames.

MS. UHLE: Again, not proposing it, so somewhat irrelevant, but I wanted to clarify.

THE CHAIRMAN: I thought that's what this was for. You did bring up a good point about the ridge height. What's it across the street; does it match the ridge height?

MR. VILLANI: No. The one across the street is -- it's between a three and a four. I never measured it, but it's a lower pitch.

MS. UHLE: That's the pitch, but the clearance has to be the same; right?

MR. VILLANI: The clearance can't DINA M. MORGAN, REPORTER

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    change. The height of the underside of the
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   canopy has to be the same. We're going to need
    a variance regardless. It's just the degree of
    variance because the pitch could change or the
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    ridge height could change a little bit to lower
    it slightly.
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            MS. UHLE: Carol in my office pulled
    out so many plans to try to answer that
    question because we anticipated it. That was
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    an existing canopy previously, so in all the
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    most current approvals the height was never
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    noted on that. So I'm not quite clear what
    that height is. I assumed it was pretty
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    similar because of the clearance.
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            MR. VILLANI: To get a fuel truck
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    underneath there, it has to be 14 feet 6 to
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    15 feet.
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            THE CHAIRMAN: Right. That's the
    underside. I'm talking about the top.
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            MR. VILLANI: Oh, the top?
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            THE CHAIRMAN: Yes. So if you were to
    lower it, that ridge comes down a little bit,
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    it's a little less obvious.
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            MR. VILLANI: It's a little less
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THE CHAIRMAN: You do want a contrast? 2 3 MR. CAMPANA: There is a contrast, but I think if it's flattened more so than it is 4 currently at a five pitch, then its more 6 contrast than the gable that sits directly behind it. 7 MS. UHLE: It doesn't look as 8 consistent. 9 MR. CAMPANA: Right. Right. 10 MR. VILLANI: This pitch it more 11 12 traditional. 13 THE CHAIRMAN: I wouldn't say anything less. You know what, you do the architecture, 14 15 I'll just comment on it. 16 MR. NEMECEK: I'm okay with it. I'm okay with the pitch as is. 17 18 THE CHAIRMAN: Is there a site plan 19 with that? 20 MR. VILLANI: You mean a --THE CHAIRMAN: A plan view of the 21 22 roof. 23 MR. VILLANI: I have the plan view here. That's the original site plan. So this 24 25 is the structure here, and this canopy will go DINA M. MORGAN, REPORTER 16 EASTCHESTER PLANNING BOARD MEETING - 4/28/22 1

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    obvious. Like a said, a four pitch would
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    probably bring it down a foot or two.
            THE CHAIRMAN: A little bit less white
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    to look at all the time. I mean, you're not
    putting anything on -- what's that surface?
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            MR. VILLANI: This will be white trim,
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    and then asphalt shingle roof.
            THE CHAIRMAN: It could get lowered.
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            MS. UHLE: The only thing is, you
    don't want it to look too flat. If you have a
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    gable roof, you want it to look like a gable.
            MR. CAMPANA: Your intent was to
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    create a traditional detail.
            MR. VILLANI: Especially from an
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    aesthetic standpoint. From looking at it, I
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    could lower the pitch slightly and still keep a
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    nice traditional gable, but not too much
    because it starts to flatten out and look
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    weird.
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            THE CHAIRMAN: Yeah, I'm not going to
    be the architect.
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            MR. CAMPANA: Also, it will start to
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compete with the gable that's directly behind

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right in front of it here. This is the property line. These are the columns. 3 MS. UHLE: It's not centered over the 4 5 pumps because he's not permitted to extend within the road right-of-way. It's not 6 permitted to be over the property line. 7 8 MR. VILLANI: So we wanted to at least 9 get coverage for the people fueling their cars 10 on the pump side. 11 THE CHAIRMAN: At the least, right. 12 MR. VILLANI: Believe it or not, you would be surprised how many people drive by 13 when you don't have a canopy in the weather. 14

THE CHAIRMAN: It's a nice amenity for the customers.

MR. VILLANI: Then I would imagine I have to come back because they're probably going to put an Amoco -- you can't put an Amoco sign. We already have a sign variance. We can't put an Amoco sign on it; right?

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MR. VILLANI: So it increases

THE CHAIRMAN: In the weather while

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            MS. UHLE: No. Our sign law
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    explicitly prohibits signage on gas station
    canopies.
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            MR. VILLANI: I'll cut that off with
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    them.
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            THE CHAIRMAN: Okay. So we're good to
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    go here; right? So Architecture has seen this
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    or this is just --
            MS. UHLE: No. Unfortunately, because
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    it needs a variance, our zoning law requires it
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    has preliminary review from the Planning Board,
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    back to Planning.
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            THE CHAIRMAN: So no public hearing?
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            MS. UHLE: No public hearing.
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            THE CHAIRMAN: This is just good, bad.
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            MR. VILLANI: Just so I have it
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    straight, we go Zoning --
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            MS. UHLE: ARB --
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            MR. VILLANI: -- ARB, and then back
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    here for final?
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            MS. UHLE: That's correct, yes.
            THE CHAIRMAN: This is just to see if
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    we had any, oh my gosh, what did you do. Well
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MR. NEMECEK: Looks good. 4 THE CHAIRMAN: We're good. Look

forward to seeing you again.

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MS. UHLE: You're referring it to the 7 ZBA for consideration of the area variance. 8

9 MR. VILLANI: We're good? MS. UHLE: You're good. 10

MR. NEMECEK: Good luck.

12 THE CHAIRMAN: Thank you. Next 13

Application is 21-32, 95A Tuckahoe Avenue. MR. CAMPANA: Louis Campana,

architect, on behalf of the applicant, 95A Tuckahoe Avenue. We were before this board back in February, where we reviewed the house and also the site plan and storm water

18 19 management plan.

> So just as a very quick recap, the existing one story home that currently exists is being taken down to the existing foundation. We're going to be building on top of that, and also adding additions to the east side and a

small addition to the west side as well.

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2 The house will be primarily stucco veneer, and we do have a section of the house 3

which will be clad with Boral, which will be

painted in a Farrow & Ball off black.

At that meeting, there were a few comments about the site plan, and Kellard Sessions had sent a memo also with some comments that we've addressed.

10 MR. NEMECEK: Louis, one other thing. One of the illustrations, the renderings that 11 you just put up had a pool in it. I think we 12 13 established that the pool is envisioned at some 14 future point?

MR. CAMPANA: The pool pavilion is a future project, yes.

MR, NEMECEK: Yes.

MS. UHLE: The pavilion. The pool is proposed, but it's the pool pavilion that's in the future.

MR. NEMECEK: But the rendering that you have is the finished product.

MR. CAMPANA: See the pool here. Now the pool patio is here, but the pool pavilion will be situated right here in front of those

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3 MR, NEMECEK: Got it. Okay. Thank 4 you.

MR. CAMPANA: In terms of some of the 5 additions that we've added to the site plan to

address comments from Kellard Sessions, we've 7

updated the site plans showing existing and 8

9 proposed grades. We added more spot

elevations, top of wall, bottom of wall spot 10

11 elevations as well. We've located pool

12 equipment in the back corner of the property.

13 It will sit 6 feet and 6 feet off the rear and 14

the side property line.

We made one modification. We did remove one retaining wall. Previously, we had two retaining walls here on the western side, and now we only are incorporating one wall.

We are now showing all the underground and overhead utilities, which go to Tuckahoe Avenue right down through the easement and over to the front corner of the house.

We've added site details. Just bear with me for a second. The details that we've added to the drawing set, we have rail details

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- 2 for the masonry patios. We have our entrance
- gate to the rear yard. We have a site wall 3
- detail showing the footing -- the full stone
- veneer -- full stone wall, excuse me, and a
- blue stone coping. We have our planter walls,
- retaining walls, and then we have our retaining 7
- walls which have a natural stone top. This
- wall is -- this wall will be designed or signed
- off on by a structural engineer prior to the 10
- permit being issued. We also have pool fence 11
- details, driveway details, and steppingstone 12

pathway details as well. 14

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Those were all of the additional items to the architecturals.

On the drainage plan, there were a couple of comments as well. The most I think prominent comment that was given to us by Kellard Sessions was including a catch basin prior to the water entering the drainage galleries. So we've added a catch basin here, and also here at the front corner of the buildina.

Community Designs also included details for a stabilized construction entrance

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as well. I believe that was all. 2

3 MR. NEMECEK: Okav.

MS. UHLE: I think it was mentioned earlier -- I'm not sure -- did you mention Joe

Cermele's memo? You all received a memo today saving everything has been addressed to his 7

8 satisfaction.

9 MR. NEMECEK: Yes. Thank you.

THE CHAIRMAN: I think everything has been addressed and readdressed and sorted out, so we're good.

MR, NEMECEK: Thank you for -- I know you could have come back last month and you would have been the only item on the agenda, so we do thank you for considering us and coming back. With the benefit of that extra time, it looks like you've gotten all the kinks out, as minor as they may have been. Looks good.

We have an open public hearing?

THE CHAIRMAN: I think so.

MS. UHLE: Yes.

THE CHAIRMAN: There is no public, so 23 we'll just close it.

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MS. UHLE: I think you should still DINA M. MORGAN, REPORTER

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3 MR. NEMECEK: Might be someone hiding beneath a chair. 4

MS. UHLE: Just in case someone wants 5 6 to come running in. I would reopen it, and then make a motion to --7

8 MR. TUDISCO: It's still open, right, 9 so he just would have to make a motion --10

MS. UHLE: To re-open it again or ask if there are any public comments, I think.

MR. NEMECEK: Just ask for public 12 comments and then we close, isn't that what we 13 14 do?

THE CHAIRMAN: No, I have to open it 15 is what I heard. I make a motion to open the 16 public hearing on Application 21-32, 95A 17 18 Tuckahoe Avenue.

MR. NEMECEK: Second.

THE CHAIRMAN: All in favor.

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22 THE CHAIRMAN: Motion to close the open public hearing on Application 21-32, 95A 23 24 Tuckahoe Avenue.

MR. NEMECEK: Second.

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THE CHAIRMAN: All in favor.

us and to the community too.

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THE CHAIRMAN: Looks good. Looks 4 great. It's beautiful. I can't throw this out, it's so beautiful. My wife said, oh my 7 God, that's gorgeous, as are the renderings you 8 showed us here. Thank you for presenting it to

I make a motion to approve this application, 21-32, 95A Tuckahoe Avenue.

MS. UHLE: Subject to one condition with regard to the landscape architect will provide a signed and sealed letter certifying that the landscape plan was implemented in accordance with the approved plans, and any changes he or she has to document in the letter.

MR. CAMPANA: And also a structural engineer has to certify the retaining wall.

MS. UHLE: In all honesty, that would be our Building Department. They could make 22 that a Planning Board approval as well. 23

24 THE CHAIRMAN: So those two conditions

25 as noted.

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2	MR. NEMECEK: So subject to those two	3	CERTIFICATION
3	conditions, I second the motion to approve the		
4	application.	4	STATE OF NEW YORK)
5	THE CHAIRMAN: Great. All in favor.) SS.
6	(AYE)	5	COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER)
7	THE CHAIRMAN: Congratulations. It	6 7	I, DINA M. MORGAN, Court Reporter and
8	looks good.	8	Notary Public within and for the County of
9	MR. CAMPANA: Thank you, gentlemen.	9	Westchester, State of New York, do hereby
10	MR. NEMECEK: Fantastic, it's not even	10	certify:
11	7:30.	11	That the above transcript was taken from
12	THE CHAIRMAN: We don't have any	12	a video of the actual hearing. I was not
13	minutes to approve?	13 14	present for such hearing. The video was taken and transcribed by me to the best of my
14	MS. UHLE: You do, the February 24th,	15	ability.
15	2022 minutes.	16	And, I further certify that I am not
1		17	related to any of the parties to this action by
16	THE CHAIRMAN: Okay.	18	blood or marriage, and that I am in no way
17	MS. UHLE: Jim, that's what this is	19 20	interested in the outcome of this matter. IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set
18	for.	21	my hand this 15TH day of MAY, 2022.
19	MR. NEMECEK: Wow, Margaret is getting		,,,,
20	a little sassy here.	22	\sim
21	MS. UHLE: I spend all this time.		$\left(\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$
22	THE CHAIRMAN: Hang on. Minutes. I	23	Nina M Morgan
23	was supposed to do it at the beginning too?	24	DINA M. MORGAN
24	MS. UHLE: Yes.		Court Reporter
25	THE CHAIRMAN: Got it. So what I was	25	
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4	February 24th, 2022 Planning Board meeting,		4
5	except for Mark, who is not here.		5
6	MR. NEMECEK: Subject to the few	1	6 PAGE CORRECTION
7	revisions that I've provided, I second.		7
8	THE CHAIRMAN: All in favor.		8
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10	THE CHAIRMAN: Great. So then I can		10 11
11	make a motion to close the town of Eastchester	l	12
12	Planning Board meeting of Thursday, April 28,		13
13	2022.		14
14	MR. NEMECEK: Second.		15
15	THE CHAIRMAN: All in favor.		16
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