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Subject: Request for revisions/considerations for final design (Epic wetland/waterway permit application)
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Good morning Jim, Tyler, Zach, and team,

Thanks so much for the time we spent earlier this week checking in on the public comments and following up with the proposed plans as we are now in the last stretch of the permit review process! I really appreciate that many of us stayed on much longer than planned so we can get through the topics and themes brought up from the comment period. I'll provide an outline below of the various themes and concerns discussed and include a "next steps" so it's clear what details/revisions are needed to be provided to move forward with the process.

We discussed the concerns that the community raised that fell outside of state authority for wetland and waterway jurisdictions. In good faith, my response to public comments indicated I would make sure all of the concerns would at least be brought to your attention even those concerns/comments not within this permit process authority. Thank you for the time to discuss those topics and the assurances you provided that Epic is actively involved with the City regarding mass transit improvements and expenses.

Below is an outline of the specific topics under the state's authority and the relevant "next steps" requests for final designs and revisions:

1. Additional Wetland Impact Minimization – the proposed plans in the application were designed as a maximum extent for identified wetland impacts. Now that we are further along in the process with some more detail refinement, the application will need to include an updated plan and identify where there are others of further wetland impact minimization.
 - a. Please make sure all side slopes of fill proposed within wetlands is no steeper than 2:1. This is a very standard and successful minimization practice and still provides a stable safe slope.
 - i. **Next steps:** If there are slopes that are adjusted to meet the 2:1 slope requirement, please provide updated plans and point out which slopes are adjusted and the new reduced overall wetland impact total.
 - b. Please update the PAA narrative to provide further explanation and revision where practicable regarding the 4-legged intersection east of the bridge crossing. If there are rationales for public and traffic safety why the intersection is designed and located as proposed, please provide that background information. It will be helpful to also identify which roads are going to become public roads and which roads are going to remain private under Epic's ownership. While capturing current plans that are in development for expansion is absolutely reasonable,

needs and purpose for the business expansion while being mindful and protective of the natural resources in the area. Thank you!

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