

Memorandum

To: Montgomery Township Zoning Board
From: Richard Bartolone
Date: October 10, 2023
Subject: The Malvern School Properties, LP
Block 28010, Lots 57 & 58
Case# BA-07-23
Landscape Review

This office has reviewed the Landscape Plan prepared by Dynamic Engineering, dated 8/17/2023, for the above reference application. The following comments are submitted for your consideration.

1. The two American Hornbeam trees specified to be installed within the eastern end of the parking lot island are located directly over the site utility lines. This is a serious conflict and either the trees or the utility lines must be relocated.
2. Several deciduous trees do not appear to be labeled. Please identify the species of the 4 trees within the parking lot island opposite the building entrance, the first shade tree along Brecknell Way (from Route 518), the two ornamental trees specified to be installed on the west side of the building and the 2 small ornamental trees/large shrubs located on either side of the front of the building.
3. The proposed planting representation in the detention area may be potentially confusing to the installing contractor. Suggest encircling the mass planting of one species with a heavier line or add lines to connect the group of a species.
4. A proposed Honeylocust tree has been specified 12' Away from the existing 26" caliper evergreen tree specified to remain. The proposed Honeylocust should be relocated to provide adequate space for both trees.
5. The small tree specified on the right (east) side of the front of the building is located directly over the building utility lines. Either the tree or the utility lines must be relocated to avoid this conflict.
6. Pin Oaks do not do well in Montgomery Township due to significant disease issues. An alternate species shall be substituted for the specified 'Green Pillar' Pin Oak trees.
7. Maiden Grass (*Miscanthus sinensis* 'Gracillimus) and Compact Japanese Holly (*Ilex crenata* 'compacta') an invasive species. Please select alternate non-invasive species.
8. Considerations for deer browsing should be given, several species are highly prized by the resident population.