## **LETTER OF EXCEPTION REQUEST**

Date:April 17, 2024Owner:Trinity LutheranProject:Site ImprovementsSite Address:1052 White Rock AvenueWaukesha, WI 53186

## **Site Background**

Trinity Lutheran is expanding their play area for the children attending their on-site elementary school. As part of this project, the existing parking lot along the western portion of the site (adjacent to Baxter Drive) will be reduced in size to create a large greenspace to the south. The remaining parking lot area will be milled/overlayed with new pavement, but no actual modifications to the line/grade will be made (except for the area directly adjacent to the new greenspace, as needed to grade it in). The parking lot that remains will be utilized for play by the elementary students during recess.

## **Exception Requested**

The City typically requires a parking lot to have 5% of the parking lot area contain landscaped islands. The owner is requesting an exception from this requirement for the lower low (the upper lot will be brought into compliance) due to the children's use of this lot for play. Adding these landscape islands would reduce the play area and limit the versatility of the parking lot for this function. The photo below shows how the parking lot is typically striped by the school to provide various playground activities (basketball, running, four square, etc.).

