



## COMMITTEE WORK SESSION JUNE 15, 2015

Committee Members Present:        Scott Pelot  
                                                  Dennis McGlone  
                                                  Danny Grether-Excused  
                                                  Dennis Pierson  
                                                  Paul Tousley  
                                                  Charlotte Whipkey  
                                                  Rick Rodgers

Also Present:                            Mayor Mike Zita  
                                                  Valerie Wax Carr  
                                                  Ron Messner  
                                                  Justin Markey  
                                                  Chief Dalessandro  
                                                  Karla Richards

The Committee Work Session convened on Monday, June 15, 2015 at 7:00 PM, in the Council Chambers of the Safety Administration Building. The meeting was called to order by Rick Rodgers, President of Council. Following a salute to the flag and the Pledge of Allegiance, there was a moment of silent prayer.

### **General Topics of Discussion:**

#### **School Resource Officer (S. R.O.)**

Mr. McGlone stated that he had asked Chief Dalessandro to attend to answer some of the questions Council and the public had. Mr. McGlone briefly explained the past discussion and details. Mr. McGlone stated our costs of 32% of the split or \$33,570.00 and possibly with the grants we could get it down to \$16,570.00. Mr. McGlone stated that the emails he saw from Mr. Dunn is that they are pursuing an SRO whether or not the City is on board and willing to share the costs. Mr. McGlone explained we could have the office for full time about four months when school is not in session. Chief Dalessandro explained Mr. McGlone's comments are correct and we would get a full time officer at 32% of the cost. There was discussion relating to the number of officers in the Norton Police Department and Chief Dalessandro stated our full time should be at sixteen (16) officers and he currently has only fourteen (14). Mr. Pierson discussed the past comments of an officer is required to carry a weapon in the schools and the discrepancy spoken of at an earlier meeting.

The Chief reported the Attorney General's opinion is that only an active on duty police is authorized to carry a weapon and that the School Board would have to vote to allow anyone other than a Norton Police officer as long as they have the proper weapon credentials. Mr. Pierson added as long as they had 120 hour Ohio Peace Officer's training and Chief Dalessandro stated it was actually close to 400 hours now. Mr. Pierson asked about the status of the fleet of vehicles and officers in each vehicles and Chief Dalessandro explained we have a full fleet of although there are several vehicles with over 100,000 miles and we do maintain proper maintenance. Mr. Pierson expressed concern with the school use of the city vehicles and proposed they would be leasing that from the City. Mr. Pierson discussed the school board meeting coming up on the June 22, 2015 agenda and this item was to be a topic of discussion. Mrs. Carr explained she did speak with Mr. Dunn and although there is a meeting on that date this item is not on their agenda at this point, but a Board member could add it to the agenda during Committee of Whole. Mrs. Carr stated Mr. Dunn requested Council submit any questions they may have that then could be discussed. Chief Dalessandro explained that Mr. Dunn came to him back in November with this idea and he later had a meeting with Mayor Zita and Mrs. Carr and Mr. Rodgers, Mr. Dunn and himself in February. The Chief went on to explain that everyone had input at that meeting and he believed it was at that meeting the school wanted to go with the SRO. Mr. Pierson stated that he felt the School Board should have voted on this one way or another and from what he is hearing there is some opposition to this idea. Mr. Pierson stated he had spoken to two members of the school board and got an interesting response from them; if the school is willing to do this on their own then they should move forward with it. Mrs. Carr asked the Chief, Mayor, and Mr. Rodgers to correct her if she was wrong, but that the two members present at the February meeting seemed to be leaning towards an SRO and not a Safety Director. Mr. Pierson stated that's fine, but there are five members on the Board and he wants to have the School Board here to answer the debate on this issue. Mr. Pierson commented that he still had questions on the 500 students coming into are schools has generated a reason for law enforcement. Chief Dalessandro spoke on a recent incident at the school three weeks ago with a student and Mr. Rodgers interrupted him stating that had nothing to do with SRO's and questioned if a policeman in the building would have prevented it. Ms. Whipkey asked if Chief Dalessandro did a survey of outside districts that use SRO's and their cost sharing, which Chief Dalessandro distributed (see attached) that most were covered by the Police department or 50% of the cost. Ms. Whipkey asked about New Franklin and Grill School and if there were an incident that New Franklin is the one to respond and Chief Dalessandro replied that was correct and we have been in there to teach. Chief Dalessandro explained that the school district intends to close this school once the new facility is completed. Mr. Rodgers inquired on Wadsworth and the Chief answered he had not spoken to them, but thought they did utilize an SRO. Ms. Whipkey commented about Barberton's SRO officer and their officer has now been there for fifteen years and they are pleased with the efforts according to the Barberton Herald's June 4<sup>th</sup> article. Chief Dalessandro added Barberton had one at the high school and middle school with part time officers at each elementary school. Ms. Whipkey stated she still would like to have a joint conversation with the Board. Mr. Rodgers discussed the use of the car in the duties and the costs for operating that vehicle for the eight (8) hours in the school and the Chief stated we were talking the price of fuel.

Mr. Rodgers rebutted that the car would still be tied up for eight hours and there should be reimbursement for that also. Mr. Rodgers stated this is a full time position and would be a posted position process, and Chief Dalessandro concurred adding he would still need to hire a full time officer. It would be a job bid process and DARE and the Ohio Resource Officer Association will have input this decision and it does not automatically go to the officer with the most seniority. Mr. Pierson took issue with the process and the issue of overtime equalization and issues with the union over seniority relating to an SRO. Chief Dalessandro stated everyone is offered the same amount of overtime and there is a seniority process and there have been no issues with unions at any departments utilizing SRO's and senior officers. The SRO while in the school is not eligible for overtime and it's not going to cost more money. Mrs. Carr stated we equalize the opportunity for overtime and that is a process we will continue to use. Mr. Pierson stated he still feels all along that the School Board should hire this as their employee as a 1099 and keep the city out of this. Mr. Tousley asked when we approved the budget last fall; it was his understanding to approve some new hires for the police department, with two (2) promotions and a part time hire and asked if that has occurred? Chief Dalessandro stated that we have done that and he is still looking to fill some of the part time positions. Mr. Tousley asked if there was still a need for more officers at this point. Chief Dalessandro yes and he has minimum staffing and union contract that he has to abide by and to go below that is paying overtime. The summertime is hard on his department with all of the vacation used and especially during this time he could use another officer; the extra officer that he could use during that 10 weeks would save in overtime. Mr. Rodgers discussed the total salary \$62,777.00 for a full time officer plus benefits at an additional \$28,000.00, plus pension and Medicare and Mrs. Carr stated we calculated using the most senior officer pay scale. Mr. McGlone stated the total given of \$104,000 covered the complete cost. Mr. Rodgers stated if we add the cost of the car these costs are only going to rise. Mrs. Carr stated if the person in this position is our officer then of course we would supply this officer with all the resources he needs. Mr. Pelot stated that if the officer is indeed our employee then there would be no more costs involved with the school reimbursement. Mrs. Carr stated that this would be something needed to be worked out within an agreement with the school; however she did not believe the 68% cost of a cruiser would be that much money. Mr. Rodgers stated he was not talking about gas and oil, but was talking about the capital cost of the cruiser. Mr. Rodgers asked when was the last time the NPD was at full strength for full time and Chief Dalessandro replied he believed it was 2009. Once again Mr. Pierson discussed the grants and the fact there is no guarantee and when calculating the costs we should not count on that reimbursement. Mr. Pierson pointed out that of the nine cities in the survey, for the most part, had a higher per capita income with the closest being Barberton and New Franklin. Chief Dalessandro stated that he is fine with whatever direction Council intends to go. Mr. Rodgers once again discussed the School Board granting raises eighteen (18) months earlier than were necessary, just to make sure it happens, which is exactly what the school board did and that kind of reckless spending should be rewarded they should not be coming to the City for help. Mr. McGlone replied that what Mr. Rodgers is saying is when we get the school board in here you'll be voting no on this and that's fine as you have your choice. Mr. Rodgers stated he is only trying to make Council think about their decisions down the road and not follow what you are told to do.

Ms. Whipkey stated she thought the School Board had some disagreement as to if they actually did that vote to get around the election in November. Mr. Rodgers replied yes, they wanted to thwart the will of the people; if some of those people would have been replaced, that might not have passed and was a statement from the President of the School Board. Ms. Whipkey asked if she hadn't stated that it wasn't actually the case and Mr. Rodgers answered he believed she was quoted in the Norton Post. Ms. Whipkey retorted by asking how many times have we sat here and said the newspaper didn't get it right? Mrs. Carr suggested if Council has any questions they could submit them to Mr. Dunn before their meeting on June 22, 2015; perhaps that should be one of the questions to clear that issue up. Ms. Whipkey agreed and added the issue for the car usage to be included. Mr. Rodgers stated he would like the President of the School Board to explain away that statement and would put it in writing for Mrs. Carr. Mrs. Carr suggested Council send all of their questions to Mrs. Richards and she would work with her and compose a letter finalizing your concerns. Mr. Pierson stated he wanted to hear the opinions from all the Board members, not Mrs. Bennett or Mr. Dunn, as he believed there was difference of opinion from the ones he has talked to and Mrs. Carr answered she had made that request and had not heard back yet. Mr. Pierson stated he wasn't voting on it until we did hear it. Ms. Nancy Jeffries, 2716 Dahl Drive, spoke to clarify the comments regarding the May 16, 2015 School Board Meeting. Ms. Jeffries, stated she is here to speak on Norton City fiscal responsibilities. Ms. Jeffries stated she knows first hand the details, and explained the details and noted that there were not pay raises as was stated at the May 26<sup>th</sup> Council meeting, the raises were frozen and contracts were awarded early. The reason, and as explained multiple times, was to have a smooth a transition to the new school and the need to have the experienced administrators readily on hand. The real question is if the funds are in place, as verified by three or four administrative board members and the treasurer, and on hand why not show confidence in these people and not risk losing them to perhaps get less qualified people. Ms. Jeffries discussed the comments made by previous School Board members, and that some of the Board members vote no often and she knows they voted no on five (5) of the contracts and gave no reason whatsoever. These two (2) Board Members also abstained from contracts voted on and again with no explanation. Ms. Jeffries stated that this is circumventing the will of the Norton voters. Ms. Jeffries touched on the history of the past School Board members at Highland School in Medina and that this Board had an agenda and they did so and nearly took the whole school system down. Many parents in Highland pulled their kids out of that school. When the school system fails, Norton fails and our property values go down. Norton School system still has maintained the highest education standards and has been for three years. This year Norton cost per pupil was the lowest in Summit County according to the school treasurer Mrs. Hagenbush. Ms. Jeffries stated we have all paid more in health care issues, pay freezes for all staff members including those in the contracts that were awarded eighteen (18) months ago. Ms. Jeffries urged Council, everyone in the room, and the Administration to attend the School Board Meetings, and do not presume that the district can assume additional burdens regarding finances. We can do some amazing things but this is something we may not be able to do. Mr. Rodgers asked Ms. Jeffries if he had read in the paper that she was chastised by the Board and she answered it was because she had used names.

Mrs. Pat Reese, 4052 Wadsworth Road, Norton, Ohio asked if anyone on Council has researched the percentage of our property tax that goes to the Norton School? Mrs. Reese explained that 59% goes to the school district, 16% goes to the county and only 13 % goes to the City of Norton. Mrs. Reese stated if the school is getting 59% of my money, they should pay for this SRO officer and they should not be coming to the City asking for that. Everyone that owns property pays this 59% and not everyone has a child in the school system. How about letting the School Board take care of its problem. Mrs. Reese stated she is concerned that we don't have decent roads, we have the city hall that needs more staffing. Mrs. Reese stated that Mrs. Carr has said she did not have a good staff and Mrs. Carr took exception to the statement as she has an excellent staff and Mrs. Reese clarified that she meant ample as in not enough to do the work. We have problems in the City and we need to take care of our own things and the Board needs to take care of theirs. Mrs. Audrey Kornacki, 3008 Dutt Road, Norton, Ohio, asked if the residents get to vote on the SRO or if Council is the only one to vote on this? Mr. Rodgers explained if the emergency vote fails the citizens have a right for a referendum. Mrs. Kornacki stated if this goes through you have one (1) SRO to take care of four (4) schools, how can this one officer cover all of that? Chief Dalessandro stated the primary coverage would be at the high school and the middle school. Mrs. Kornacki questioned who covers those facilities when the officer is at the primary school? Mrs. Kornacki stated the next thing you will see is we will be seeing more and more issues in our schools and we won't have enough officers. Mrs. Kornacki stated she knows that she pays too darn much tax dollars for the schools for them to ask for more. Mrs. Kornacki stated felt the campus idea is not teaching our kids. The school is all after that big new football field and the sports and that is not educating our kids either.

William Paluch, 3740 Shellhart Road, Norton, Ohio, asked if it were better to have an outside service like Pinkerton Security in each of our schools? Has anyone come up with other alternatives. Mr. Paluch stated he is sick and tired of paying all of these taxes, like the watershed districts. We can spend a million dollars on engineering fees while our roads are crumbling.

Mr. Jack Gainer, 3920 Wadsworth Road, Norton, Ohio, stated he is in favor of the SRO and that this is a good thing. Mr. Gainer stated the kids need to be protected and we have 800-900 people just in the Norton High School every day. We may have officers all over the City, but not one where one officer could reach out to the 800-900 people as in the school. Mr. Gainer stated that having an SRO in the schools where there were shootings, the SRO would have stopped that. Mr. Gainer stated that you may not agree but an SRO would have at least been able to keep the number of shootings down. Mr. Gainer stated, in his opinion, the City is not helping the school with an officer but the school is helping the City as we would be getting a complete Norton Police Officer, cruiser included for a minimal cost. You are not talking about a capital expense, we already have the cruiser and you don't buy a car every time you hire an officer. Mr. Gainer reminded everyone the DARE car came to the City as a donation from Fred Martin Motors, so there is no cost involved. Mr. Gainer stated that the residents do not get to vote on every piece of legislation that Council votes on. Mr. Gainer stated he feels that this is not a waste of money to put an officer in the schools.

Mr. Reese 4052 Wadsworth Road, Norton, Ohio, asked if former Chief Hete showed interest in this position and noted that he also has a teaching degree to which Mr. Pierson agreed. Mr. Reese asked why the School Board does not contact someone like him for this position? Mr. Reese stated it's not about not providing a police officer in the schools; it's about the schools finances and by giving early raises eighteen (18) months ahead of time because they built the new school and questioned if no raises would have been given if there had been no new school. Mr. Pelot and Mr. Rodgers clarified that Mrs. Jeffries explained there were not raises, it was a contract extension. Mrs. Jeffries reiterated that no raises were given, only contracts extending employment.

Dave Houpt, 6112 S. Oval Drive, Clinton, Ohio, stated that his tax dollars support the Norton schools. We need to back up here and take a good look at our schools. Let's look across the country as how other schools take care of their safety issues. A lot of other schools in the county made some far reaching rule changes, and Norton certainly needs to look at that. Mr. Houpt stated they should be looking at a rental agreement for this SRO officer. Mr. Houpt stated if you do support this as a Norton officer he thanks Council as supports that because that is one tax he does not have to pay as he lives in New Franklin. Mr. Houpt stated he has seen police officers at the Norton schools and when he saw them he would slow down. Mr. Houpt cited a situation where NPD officer Sams who is also a Board Member helped with a situation of an elderly who got on a bus and Officer Sams was able to pull him off and address the situation. Mr. Houpt stated that ever since this issue has come up he no longer sees the officers in their cruiser at the schools. Chief Dalessandro stated that every day in the morning and at dismissal we do have an officer on premises to which Mr. Houpt stated it could just be his timing. Mr. Houpt discussed the March meeting of the School Board and that they did not want to give new contracts with raises to administrators and be in financial distress. Mr. Houpt discussed his issues with unions and a person coming to meetings claiming that they are a union representative, when he sees her name is not listed as one and then she says she represents the administrators. Mr. Houpt then quotes a section 1.02 of the negotiated agreement. Mr. McGlone urged Council to get your questions to Mrs. Carr and Mrs. Carr asked to please have them ready by this Thursday. Chief Dalessandro thanked Mr. Gainer for bringing up the DARE vehicle being donated by Fred Martin. Mr. Rodgers asked then the DARE vehicle would be the vehicle used for the schools and Chief Dalessandro concurred. Mr. Rodgers asked Chief Dalessandro if in his knowledge has there ever been a tragedy prevented by having an officer in the schools anywhere in this country? Chief Dalessandro stated no, but as Mr. Rodgers knew the Police & Fire are reactive to any situation; however an officer in the school is active in much more than that and would be much more than preventative and reactive. Mrs. Carr stated the point is the school came to us and asked if the City wanted to be a part of this and Mr. Rodgers knew that as he was in on that first meeting, and in fairness to the school she believed they looked at other districts in the area and how they were handling it. It is not a new concept as Barberton has done it for 16 years and no one had an agenda either way. Mr. Rodgers stated he appreciated the input and he was at the meeting and he felt that the city should not be participating in it as he believed the City could not afford it. Mr. Rodgers briefly discussed the feedback the City had received on our road analysis.

Mrs. Carr stated she has had a preliminary meeting with the consultant and Council will be pleased on how all of the data was generated. Mrs. Carr stated she and Mr. Messner are working on a plan and a chart of what can be done with what money we feel we can spend on a yearly basis and they will come back and show us what can be done for that money. Mrs. Carr provided a color coded chart (see-attached) and she commented on how many of our roads are in better shape than she expected, although she acknowledged we do have some problems. Mrs. Carr stated there would be a final presentation to Council and a more detailed report with a map and each road will be color coded and graded after Council's break. The roads in blue are in really good shape; green areas are pretty good and are roads that could have their life expanded with things like crack sealing; yellow are not so hot; pink is bad and red are the worse we have. Mrs. Carr stated it was being suggested by the engineer to have a three prong approach to the road program. The red areas are most likely total re-builds, but the pink and yellow are perhaps areas where we can put some money into that category so they could be in the green category. The suggestion is not to throw all of your money into the red areas; you need to spread that all around to save roads that can be saved and currently other cities are being looked at as to how they used their resources to do that in terms of money. Mr. Rodgers discussed the proposed figure of \$73 million and Mrs. Carr clarified that is to totally rebuild every single road properly in our City. Mrs. Carr pointed out that rebuilding all the roads was unrealistic. Mr. Rodgers stated regardless, where the City is going to get that kind of money and he didn't care if it was one half or one third that amount. When Council goes out on summer recess, we need to think about how we are going to get this done. Mr. Pelot stated as we look at some innovated ways to get to where we need, the tax credit rollback is something that we can area for the Nash Heights area roads and would be something to look at.

### **Sewer Pump Station Discussion**

Mr. Pierson stated that Mr. Docherty is from AirVac and has a presentation to share and Mr. Demboski-Municipal Engineer also had a hand out (see attached). Mr. Demboski stated he would present 2 of the 4 options and Mr. Docherty will also present 2 options. Mr. Demboski stated they all are for a vacuum station, but they all have different layouts, costs, and pros and cons. Mr. Demboski explained that on the first page the building size is 25 x 32 feet where the vacuum pumps would be to the left on the first floor level with the 2,000 gallon tank would be in the basement with an open area as the roof would come off to remove and replace the tank. The tanks can be made out of carbon steel, fiberglass or stainless steel with the cost going up from the carbon steel. Mr. Demboski noted that the tanks we had seen at the other facilities were the carbon steel tanks with various connections. The sewage pumps are on the lower level and after the vacuum pumps create a vacuum in the tank so to pull all the sewage through the system and into the tank, then the sewage pumps kick on to pump up to the gravity sewers and they take it on to the waste water plant. So in the first situation there would be ventilation, a stairway to the basement and one person could go in and do the maintenance on the facility. Part of the building would be on a slab and the basement would be sized at 25 x 25 so the mechanic working on the pumps would have enough room to maneuver and have equipment as needed.

Mr. Demboski explained the second option was a cellar type with the sewage pumps and tanks in the basement and the vacuum pumps in the upper level but the problem with that is if you need to replace the tanks you would have to remove the pumps and floor. Mr. Demboski discussed some layouts have an overhead crane installed when built to assist any replacements or repairs. Mr. Demboski stated he had quoted construction costs of \$125.00 per square foot and the total would be \$175-\$200,000.00 for the AirVac equipment package and all stations would require a backup generator and bio filter for an additional \$100,000.00. The building cost, depending on the size, would be around \$75,000.00 to \$100,000.00 with those costs we are around \$400,000.00 to \$500,000.00 for these first two samples. Mrs. Carr asked which is the sample closest to the one Randolph had and Mr. Demboski replied the first one. Mr. Demboski stated that Randolph had built theirs at a very deep level. The one in Mahoning County did not have a first floor and everything was in the basement with only a landing at the entrance. Mr. Demboski stated when you are in a lower level you will have a lot of condensation and the pumps themselves create heat which is why sump pumps are required. Ms. Whipkey asked if she is wrong that we were quoted higher prices of about \$750,000.00 and Mr. Demboski replied yes, but he would rather err on the higher side to cover any extra costs for excavation costs. Ms. Whipkey asked if those excavation costs are included in this \$400,000.00 to \$500,000.00 and Mr. Demboski concurred. Ms. Whipkey asked if these costs would be close to the same if we are talking gravity and Mr. Demboski replied yes with a submersible, you would still need a stand by generator and it needs to be at least 30 ft deep as opposed to 13 ft deep, and will have to stay clear of the dampest section of land in that area. Mr. Demboski stated with the submersible station, we would fence all around the site with possibly 8ft solid fencing and are considered site costs. Mr. Demboski stated that because we have changed sites, he has not consulted with a structural engineer at this point and some of these calculations may change as it does not have the dewatering and the footers for the precast walls used for the basement. Mr. Pierson asked once the stations are cast, what is the exterior to look like and Mr. Demboski replied it could be split faced block and Mayor Zita stated that is similar to the look at the new Fire Station. Mr. Docherty explained his conceptual drawings of a pump station that pulls the equipment together so you have a smaller building and on one floor. Mr. Docherty explained his second alternative is a compact station above ground with the tank being completely underground separate from the building. You would have to interconnect all of the electrical connections to the site and the building can be constructed off site like a pre-fab building with the vacuum pumps, control panel, ventilator fan, lights and wiring in the building done in the shop, which minimizes field labor, the building size, and cost. Mr. Docherty explained the differences of overall costs between the proposed stations and a compact station. Mr. Docherty stated this compact design is not new and is the result of our company being purchased from a German company he used to work for called Roediger. Mr. Docherty stated there are several existing vacuum systems with compact stations and buried tanks; Stock Island, Florida; Albuquerque, New Mexico; Waverly, West Virginia; Brockway, Pennsylvania; and Plantation Key, Florida. Mr. Docherty stated this compact design will lower construction and lower operational costs and the factors with a buried tank you will not have the added costs for de-watering the plant. Mr. Tousley asked while looking at all of the alternatives would the sound be contained indoors and Mr. Docherty replied yes.

Mr. Docherty explained with either gravity or vacuum you will still have submersible pumps that may need to be replaced. Ms. Whipkey asked about the underground tanks and the manufactures and Mr. Docherty stated we have three from AirVac located in; Stock Island, Florida, Albuquerque New Mexico, and Waverly, West Virginia. The other locations were built by Roediger Company from Germany. Mr. Pierson asked with a compact building with an outside tank, how much space are we saving and Mr. Docherty replied that just by looking at the drawings, a whole floor would be eliminated so that's a significant reduction in size. Mr. Demboski stated he is working with an AirVac Engineer on the size of the pump, and we are looking at a 2,000 gallon tank and the either pump can handle this; it's just the impeller size and speed of the motor that would be different. Ms. Whipkey asked if the compact station is sufficient to address all of Nash Heights and questioned about future expansions? Mr. Rodgers asked if this would suffice the mandate by the EPA? Mr. Demboski replied yes. Ms. Whipkey asked again about the size of this pump station and Mrs. Carr stated she felt that the question of Council was something she still needs addressed. Does Council only want the pump station to cover Nash Heights or for future development, not to say entirely citywide. Mr. Demboski stated this design can definitely handle all of the fringe property owners along the Nash Heights project. Ms. Whipkey stated she wants to be sure we do this correctly now because she does not want to do this now and then in 5-10 years have to redo the whole pump station because of new connections needed. Mr. Demboski stated he needs to know your direction because Council recently decided to scale this back to only the EPA mandate order. Mr. Pierson asked if the tanks are outside and the building can you just increase the pumps inside the tank? Mr. Docherty stated you have to define the increase in size; is it 3%, 5% larger or more. Mr. Demboski stated you have to be sure the motors can accommodate the increase in size. Mrs. Carr asked for clarification from Council; Is the pump station only to be sized to service Nash Heights? Mr. Rodgers stated he thought the number was for 100+ more future tie-ins and the system designed now can handle that and Mr. Demboski explained that is what is designed at this point. Mr. Demboski stated that he and the AirVac Engineer agreed that a 2,000 gallon tank would be sufficient. Mr. Rodgers stated he wanted both Engineers to get together on that and we want to do that the most cost effective way. Mr. Markey stated that the confusion came about when future development was asked about needing a second pump station if going farther out to Golf Course Drive and west of Hudson Run. Mr. Rodgers asked about a vacuum station and Mr. Demboski stated that is not a problem, its gravity that is going to cause a problem in that area. Mr. Demboski stated it was always going to be a gravity system but now that vacuum has come into play and would really work better in that area of elevation. There was discussion of originally there being a separate pump station farther west of Golf Course drive for development. Mrs. Carr clarified the design is to follow the original size and all of Council agreed. Mrs. Kornacki asked about the tanks being sufficient and the pumps also needing to be bigger for the future use. Mr. Demboski stated Council will need to make a decision on which of the four (4) designs proposed you want to see so he can work with AirVac, his structural engineer, electrical engineer, and surveyors to get the site plan drawings that will lay all of this out. He needs the type as there is a difference in costs. We will then have the cost estimates and are not to be confused with the bids. Mrs. Carr clarified her question as to which option between a compact station, a buried tank, or a two level station.

Mr. Tousley asked Mr. Docherty to provide Council with copies of his power point presentation (see attached). Mr. Rodgers suggested we ask the Engineers to show us the best sewer system built at the best cost to the residents. If that means the buried tank and factory built station is the best deal to do the job then go with that. Mr. Demboski replied that even with that compact station if something goes bad with the buried tank, there would be costs associated with those repairs as the fiberglass tank would need to be dug up. Mr. Rodgers questioned that a gravity would need to be dug up also and Mr. Demboski responded no as it is in a concrete wet well. Mrs. Carr suggested that what should be done is since AirVac is the experts in vacuum; you need to let them prepare a proposal on their best solution and let Mr. Demboski prepare his best version for the gravity. Ms. Whipkey asked have we ever gotten the projected maintenance costs done? Mrs. Carr stated she believes Mr. Demboski has prepared this and provided it to AirVac and Barberton and we are waiting for both of their responses. Mrs. Carr asked if he had an idea on when we would have some feedback on that and it was stated about a week or so. Mrs. Carr replied that we intend to have all three parties on board at a future meeting at the same time to answer any questions that might come up. Mr. Docherty stated he would rather not comment on the maintenance costs because we have the four (4) different proposals out there now. Ms. Whipkey stated that it appears getting those maintenance costs in the next few weeks is out the window? Mr. Demboski stated that yes, until you decide which model to go with we cannot finalize the maintenance costs until you select the design as it would be too expensive to have a structural engineer figure it on four systems. Mrs. Carr reminded everyone that the bids will be going out for both the vacuum and gravity system. Mr. Rodgers asked Mr. Markey for legal direction, if a motion is appropriate or do we need legislation. Mr. Markey felt that a formal motion is necessary, you are not making a decision you are just asking for recommendations from both Engineers. Mr. Pelot stated that all incidental costs to the resident must be taken into account when calculating the maintenance cost. Mrs. Carr discussed the project boundary areas of Little Blvd., because everything else is spelled out in the legislation. Mrs. Carr stated the work to be non-preformed will be taken out of the plans. Mrs. Carr stated that she and Mr. Markey would be talking with the property owner this week and she would update Council on all of that. Mrs. Carr stated there are still some issues with the loan documents as to whose name they are to be in if we do not have a maintenance agreement with Barberton in place at the time we apply. We need an alternative revenue source for the project as well without the Barberton agreement. Mrs. Carr asked again about the road repair process when the project is completed and what Council wanted to do. Mr. Demboski stated that it will either be mill and fill or 1 ½ inch surface course. Mr. Rodgers stated his concern was that it is done right. Mrs. Carr clarified now the resurfacing is built into the costs of the project and there would not be any patching done. Mr. Tousley stated he feels we should not be assessing the residents for the road resurfacing as if his road gets resurfaced he does not get assessed for that. It just does not seem fair to the residents. Mr. Demboski stated that it's not like the cost is added onto their assessment as the assessment has been modified and came out of the surcharge monies, it's part of the total project cost and makes the final project look a whole lot better. Mr. Demboski reminded everyone that when the loan applications are due you will have to decide on your funding source.

Mr. Rodgers stated that next week we can have a Finance Committee Meeting prior to the Council meeting to discuss that issue and decide before summer recess. Mr. Demboski stated that he needs to have the loan documents ready for the December bidding process which means he must have everything completed by no later than the middle of November to get the loan award. We then have to decide if we re-nominate the project if we miss the 2015 deadline. Mr. Pelot asked to have all of the reports from the road study that relate to the roads in Nash Heights by then also so that we know what we are looking at. Mrs. Carr recapped the meeting from last Wednesday with the fringe property owners. Mrs. Carr stated the response has been pretty good, and we have eighteen (18) returned forms with either yes or no or they received it. So far we have five (5) that said yes and three (3) that said they do not want to be part of the project. Mrs. Carr explained that statement in the letter that if we did not hear back from you that would be considered as a no and she felt in discussing this with Mr. Markey as it may be a legal issue. It might be better if we don't hear anything; we should still allow them to be added. Mrs. Carr stated one resident attending that meeting had questioned why he needed to decide now if the new sewer line may not be right in front of his home for another ten (10) years; so why should he be assessed now? Mrs. Carr stated that is a valid question and may not have to decide now unless he wants to be assessed at the \$5,000.00 or \$8,000.00 figures because she cannot determine what that assessment fee would be ten (10) years from now. Mr. Markey stated the benefit to opt in now is to have that assessment on your taxes for over twenty years at that \$5,000.00 or \$8,000.00 rate because it would not be that figure ten (10) years from now. Mr. Rodgers asked what makes it possible to place that on their taxes? Mr. Markey stated as part of the assessment law process there will be a final assessing ordinance at the end of the project's final completion. That comes from a vote of Council and if you don't include the property in the original Resolution of Necessity you cannot include them later on. Mr. Rodgers asked what would prohibit us from doing another Resolution of Necessity five (5) years from now and assessing ordinance? Mr. Markey stated you cannot do that after the fact, you have to do the Resolution of Necessity before you award the bid contract and once that contract has been awarded you are locked out; you cannot go back and assess someone for a project that is already done and completed. There was discussion of the exhibits and the legal property owner description verses listing the street names. Mr. Jack Gainer clarified that the vacuum compact tank is to be buried underground and the gravity tank is very heavy and in a building on the lower level and questioned if a hoist could pick up the tank from the lower level. This would be easier than removing the roof to take the tank out.

Larry Perkins, 3844 Neitz Drive, Norton, Ohio, asked about the number of workers required for either design. Mr. Demboski stated if we have a vault system then more than one (1) employee would be needed.

#### Norton Post Office-Certified Mail Issues

Mr. Rodgers stated that he was recently made aware that Norton residents have to go to the Barberton post office to get any certified letters instead of the Norton branch. Mr. Rodgers moved to place this drafted Resolution on Councils next agenda for a first reading, seconded by Ms. Whipkey. Mr. McGlone asked if this is a recent change, and Mr. Pelot stated that was changed when they made cuts in services in the last few years.

Roll Call: Yeas: Rodgers, Whipkey, Pelot, McGlone, Pierson, Tousley  
Nays: None

Motion passed 6-0.

**Unfinished Business:**

Mr. Tousley stated several weeks ago he had asked for an Executive Session to discuss the non-bargaining employees. Mrs. Carr stated that is up to Council; however we have not negotiated the other two (2) unions. Mrs. Carr stated that she was recently told by one of the union representatives that they were told to ask to open the negotiations early and she was not sure there that came from. Mrs. Carr stated she was anticipating opening the negotiations around September. There was discussion to have this Executive Session on the July 13<sup>th</sup> agenda when it appears that all Council members will be present. Mrs. Carr noted she wanted all of Council to read her cover memo regarding the Insite Development report she is distributing later tonight.

**New Business:**

Ms. Whipkey stated that she and Mr. Tousley both had received complaints from residents about some loud noise that came from some Dominion work around the NES mines. Ms. Whipkey asked Mr. Markey if the city could get more notification before the work is done so the residents are more prepared. Mrs. Carr explained the situation in detail and that the Joint Dispatch center was advised about this work being done about fifteen (15) minutes prior in case they received calls from the residents. Mrs. Carr stated that unfortunately the Council was not advised of that and she will see this is addressed if any future issues arise. Mrs. Carr explained there was a need for some repairs that did not occur during normal daytime hours and there was some blow back noise that was a result of the work.

**Topics for the next Work Session:**

There were none.

**Public Comment-Agenda and Non Agenda Items:**

There were none.

**Public Updates:**

There were none.

**Adjourn**

There being no other business to come before the Committee Work Session, the meeting was adjourned at 9:40 PM.

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Rick Rodgers, President of Council

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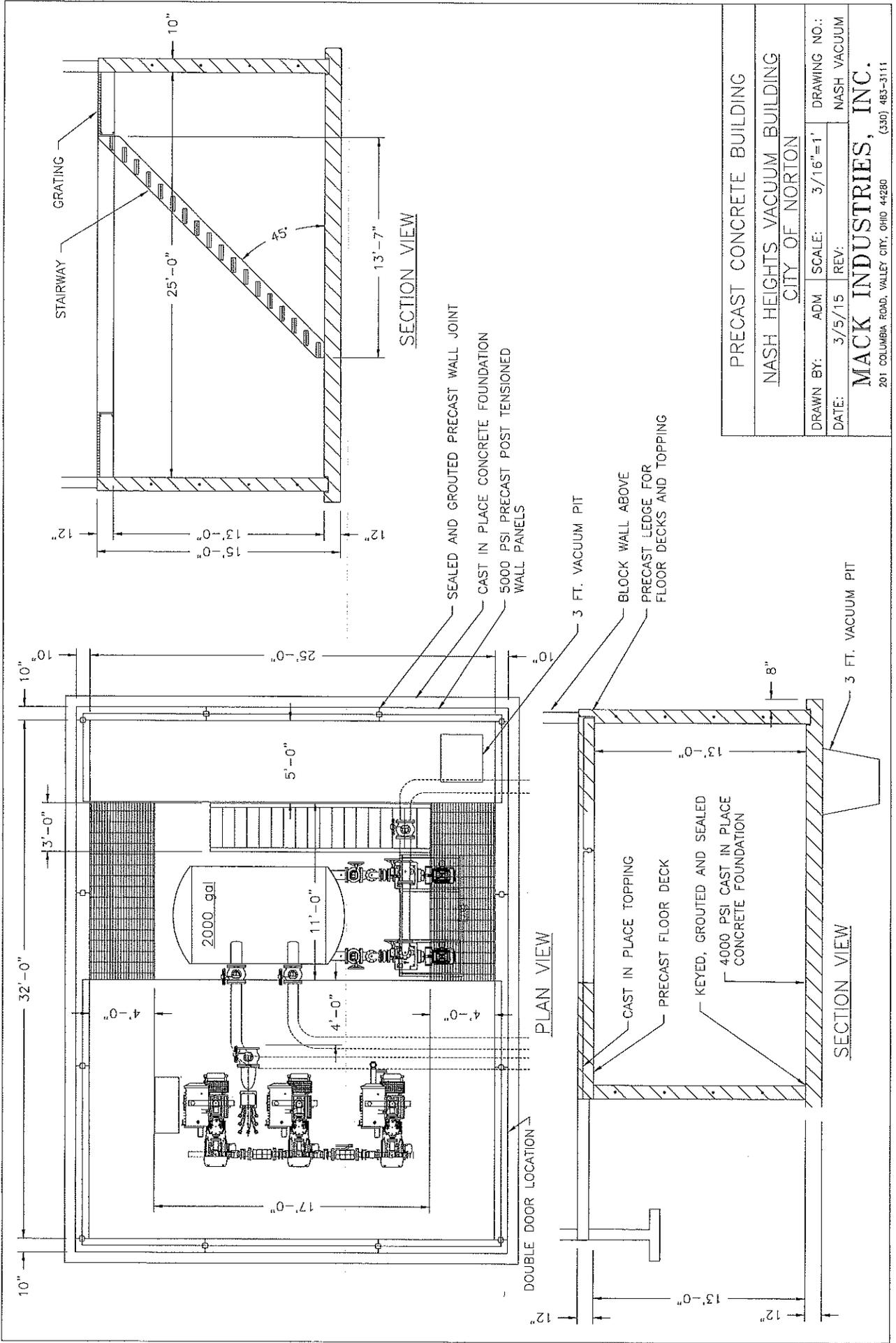
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### HOW SAFETY RESOURCE OFFICER IS PAID

	City	School
Hudson Police Department	Pays All	
Munroe Falls Police Department	Half	Half
Cuyahoga Falls Police Department	Pays All	
New Franklin Police Department	Pays All	
Stow Police Department	Pays All	\$10,000.00 Reimbursed
Sagamore Hills Police Department	Pays All	
Canal Fulton	Pays Half	Pays Half
Barberton Police Department	Pays Half	Pays Half
Bath Police Department	Pays a Third	Revere Pays Third Richfield Pays Third
Wadsworth Police Department	Pays Half	Pays Half



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CITY OF NORTON	
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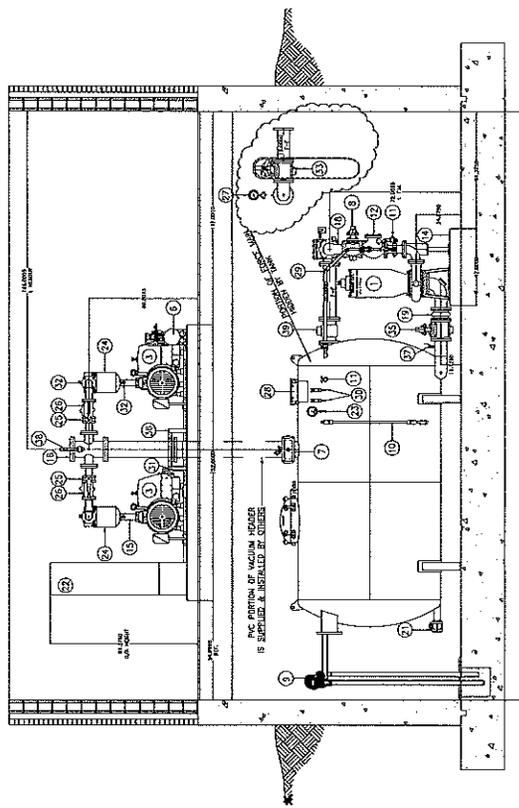
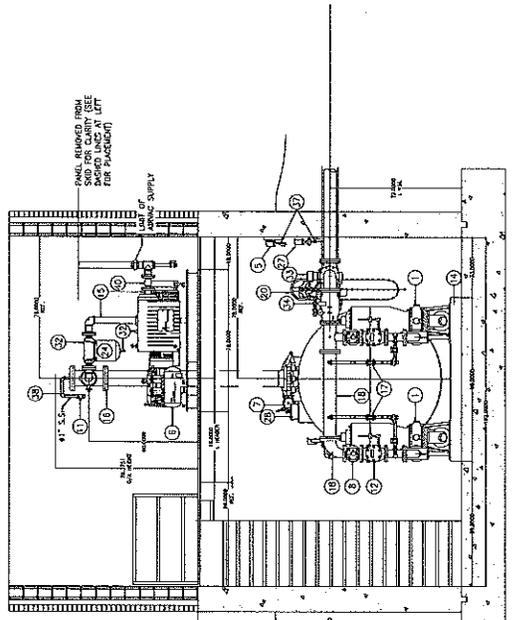
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Pump Station Plan



#	DESCRIPTION	QTY	MFG/SUPPLIER
22	AIRVAC ELECTRIC CONTROL PANEL (see electrical drawings)	1	AIRVAC/HOFFMAN
23	0-30" HG. VACUUM GAUGE FOR USE ON COLLECTION TANK	1	ASHCROFT
24	3" NPT MOISTURE SEPARATOR (for vacuum pump inlet)	2	SOLBERG
25	3" BUTTERFLY VALVE, LEVER OPERATED (vacuum inlet piping)	2	BRAY
26	3" FLANGED RESILIENT COATED SWING CHECK VALVE (vacuum inlet piping)	2	GA INDUSTRIES
27	0-30" / 100 PSI COMPOUND GAUGE	1	ASHCROFT
28	ELECTRICAL JUNCTION BOX (see electrical drawings)	1	AIRVAC/HOFFMAN
29	1" S.S. EQUALIZING ASSEMBLY	2	AIRVAC
30	0-30" HG. VACUUM SWITCH #B3B-G50A (see electrical drawings)	2	ALLEN BRADLEY
31	1/2" BRASS BALL VALVE (for vacuum pump oil drain)	2	LEGEND
32	1/2" CHROME PLATED BRASS BALL VALVE (air inlet & fluid outlet on solberg filter)	4	PRECISION
33	6" FLANGED FULL PORT RESILIENT COATED PLUG VALVE W/ GEAR OPERATOR & CHAIN WHEEL	1	GA INDUSTRIES
34	6" FLANGED CHECK VALVE WITH OUTSIDE WEIGHT AND LEVER	1	GA INDUSTRIES
35	6" FLANGED FULL PORT RESILIENT COATED PLUG VALVE W/ SQUARE NUT & WRENCH	2	GA INDUSTRIES
36	VACUUM HEADER SUPPORT ASSEMBLY (2"x2"x1/4" angle steel)	1	AIRVAC
37	1/2" S.S. BALL VALVE (for service cocks & anti-evacuation nipple)	6	NIBCO
38	41" S.S. AIR ADMISSION ASSEMBLY (for air inlet at top of header)	1	AIRVAC
39	6" FLOW METER (see electrical drawings)	1	SIEMENS
40	3" WATER TYPE CHECK VALVE (vacuum exhaust)	2	US VALVE

#	DESCRIPTION	QTY	MFG/SUPPLIER
1.	MODEL-4123 DRY PIT SUBMERSIBLE SEWAGE PUMP 20hp / 270gpm / 100'wh	2	YEOMANS
2.	68-8" / 3000 GALLON C.S. COLLECTION TANK W/HINGED MANWAY	1	MILLWRIGHT R.
3.	VACUUM PUMP, MODEL R063D / 28HP / 445 CFM	2	BUSCH, INC.
4.	LEVEL SENSING PROBES (see electrical drawings)	7	WARRICK
5.	1/2" VACUUM GAUGE ASSEMBLY ON WALL MOUNTED PANEL	2	ASHCROFT
6.	1HP 6.3 GALLON OIL-FREE AIR COMPRESSOR MODEL 6310	1	CMC
7.	8" AUTOMATICALLY CONTROLLED ISOLATION VALVE	1	BRAY
8.	4" FLANGED FULL PORT RESILIENT COATED PLUG VALVE W/ SQUARE NUT & WRENCH	2	GA INDUSTRIES
9.	2" AIRVAC VACUUM & CHECK VALVE (station sump)	2	AIRVAC
10.	1" CLEAR PVC SIGHT TUBE ASSEMBLY	1	AIRVAC
11.	1" PVC FULL PORT BALL VALVE	13	SPEARS
12.	4" FLANGED CHECK VALVE WITH OUTSIDE WEIGHT AND LEVER	2	GA INDUSTRIES
13.	2" FULL PORT BALL VALVE (station sump)	2	BANJO
14.	STRUCTURAL STEEL SKID DECKS (see separate drawing)	2	AIRVAC
15.	3"x3" S.S. VACUUM PUMP INLET & EXHAUST PIPING ASSEMBLIES	2	AIRVAC
16.	48" D.I. VACUUM HEADER ASSEMBLY	1	AIRVAC
17.	1" FLOW INDICATOR/SIGHT GLASS	2	PLAST-O-MATIC
18.	4"x6" CEMENT LINED D.I. SEWAGE PUMP DISCHARGE ASSEMBLY	1	AIRVAC
19.	8" RUBBER VIBRATION ISOLATION BOOT	2	MERCER
20.	8" FLANGED FULL PORT RESILIENT COATED PLUG VALVE W/ GEAR OPERATOR & CHAIN WHEEL	2	GA INDUSTRIES
21.	3" FULL PORT BALL VALVE (tank drain)	1	BANJO



'STACK' VACUUM COLLECTION STATION ELEVATION VIEWS  
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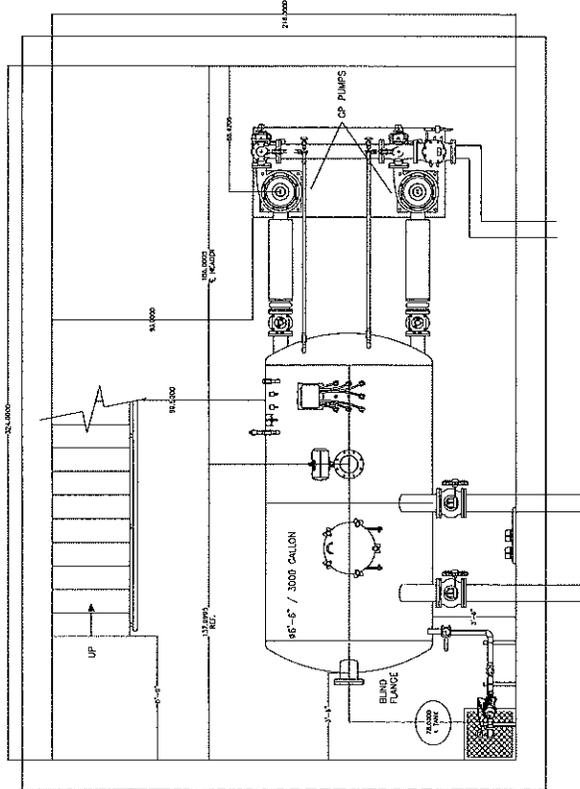
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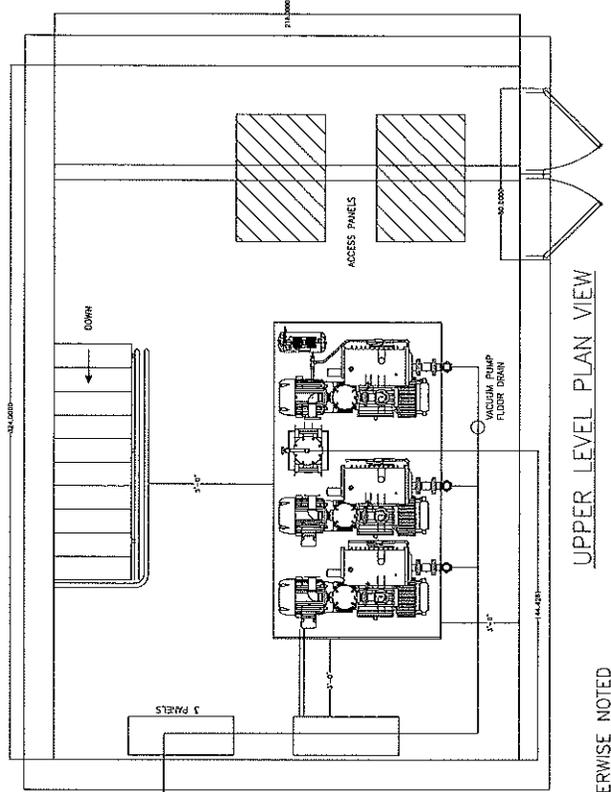
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- NOTES:
- ITEMS IN DASHED LINES ARE SUPPLIED & INSTALLED BY OTHERS.
  - AIRVAC RECOMMENDS CORE BURRING ALL WALL PENETRATIONS.
  - VACUUM PUMP EXHAUST PIPING TO BE ROUTED EXTERIOR OF BUILDING INDIVIDUALLY.
  - DO NOT USE PVC OR ANY OTHER PLASTIC PIPING FOR VACUUM PUMP EXHAUST.



LOWER LEVEL PLAN VIEW



UPPER LEVEL PLAN VIEW

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