



FIREWORKS COMMITTEE  
09-17-14

MINUTES OF THE FIREWORKS COMMITTEE OF THE CITY OF GROSSE POINTE WOODS HELD ON WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2014, AT THE GROSSE POINTE WOODS COMMUNITY CENTER – LAKE ROOM, 20025 MACK, GROSSE POINTE WOODS, MICHIGAN.

Members Present: Chair Mayor Robert Novitke, Curt Bledsoe, Jennifer Boettcher, Gina Carrier, Chris Fenton, Skip Fincham, Vicki Granger, Rich Shetler

Members Absent: Tom Hauff

Also in attendance: City Clerk Hathaway

Also in attendance: Cindy Pangborn, Grosse Pointe Public Schools and resident - 19796 Holiday Rd.

The meeting was called to order at 5:37 p.m. by Mayor Novitke.

Motion by Granger, seconded by Shetler, that all items on tonight's agenda be received, placed on file, and taken in order of appearance.

Motion passed by the following vote:

Yes:	Novitke, Bledsoe, Boettcher, Carrier, Fenton, Fincham, Granger, Shetler
No:	None
Absent:	Hauff

Discussion ensued regarding 2015 Fireworks. The Mayor provided an overview of the 2014 Fireworks Event whereby a flash-mob appeared, which created an unsafe environment. The mob was determined to be comprised of non-resident youths. The Mayor then presented the history of the Grosse Pointe Woods fireworks, and stated that in 1998 the Grosse Pointe Woods Fireworks Committee was formed and took over the fireworks display. He stated the fireworks event grew to include opening Parcell's field to include entertainment, a presentation to sponsors who cover the cost of the fireworks, and food and other vendors. Over time costs have increased due to added public safety employees working the event.

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The Mayor opened discussion with the Committee regarding the future of the fireworks to obtain feedback as to whether to discontinue the fireworks, move the fireworks to Lake Front Park, or continue to hold the fireworks event at Parcell's but no longer open Parcell's Field and eliminate hosting entertainment and vendors. The Mayor then asked each Committee Member to provide their recommendations for Council consideration; they were as follows:

- Mayor Novitke – Opposed to Lake Front Park. Consider holding the fireworks at Parcell's Field and close the field with no entertainment or vendors. If Lake Front Park is the choice then cancel the Fireworks;
- Bledsoe – Move to Lake Front Park if viable, if not then cancel Fireworks;
- Carrier – Not in favor of cancelling the fireworks. St. John will continue to sponsor regardless of where they are held. In favor of moving to Lake Front Park;
- Granger – Not in favor of Lake Front Park. Cancel the Fireworks;
- Boettcher – Not in favor of moving to Lake Front Park, cancel the event;
- Fincham – Don't cancel the event. He could not provide a recommendation regarding moving to Lake Front Park-undecided; he did not know what St. Clair Shores would allow. Parcells would be a possibility if there were more discussion regarding a curfew and closure of Parcell's field, as well as establish a new contingency plan.
- Fenton – No to Lake Front Park. In favor of cancelling for one year and then try at Parcell's without entertainment or vendors with Parcell's field closed or restricted.
- Shetler - Move to Lake Front Park if viable, if not then cancel.

The City Administrator/Interim Director of Public Safety provided an overview regarding the 2014 fireworks. There were many unsupervised young people, 1,500-2,000 who showed up at dark. There were two gangs identified, one very violent, and the other newly formed. There were ninety-five support personnel working the fireworks including public safety and auxiliary, personnel from mutual aid communities, Harper Woods, Hamtramck, and the Macomb County Sheriff's Department. Vendors stated sales are down and they are not sure they would be returning. Detroit invokes a curfew for youths with some exceptions made for work and being accompanied by a parent. The City could invoke a curfew that would be advertised and enforced. If the fireworks are held at Parcells, a strict policy would need to be invoked. He contacted the Coast Guard and St. Clair Shores Police Department. The City could apply for a marine permit but would require approval from St. Clair Shores.

Motion by Granger, seconded by Shetler, to immediately certify tonight's meeting minutes.

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Motion passed by the following vote:

Yes: Novitke, Bledsoe, Boettcher, Carrier, Fenton, Fincham, Granger,  
Shetler  
No: None  
Absent: Hauff

The following individual was heard under Public Comment:

- Cindy Pangborn: Asked where people would go if Parcell's was closed. Haven't heard anyone say keep at Parcells. If something happens would it impede on the school's reputation. Hold the fireworks at the Park similar to Grosse Pointe Farms.

Motion by Granger, seconded by Shetler, to adjourn tonight's meeting at 6:37 p.m. Passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Kay Hathaway  
City Clerk

MAYOR'S MACK AVENUE BUSINESS STUDY COMMITTEE  
09-25-14

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE MAYOR'S MACK AVENUE BUSINESS STUDY COMMITTEE OF THE CITY OF GROSSE POINTE WOODS HELD ON THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 2014, IN THE COMMUNITY CENTER LAKE ROOM, 20025 MACK AVENUE, GROSSE POINTE WOODS, MICHIGAN.

PRESENT: Kevin Ketels, Chair  
MEMBERS: Robert E. Novitke, Mayor  
Peter Ahee  
Jennifer Boettcher  
William Matouk  
Richard Shetler Jr.

ABSENT: Curis, Di Clemente, Fahrner, Vitale

ALSO PRESENT: Deputy City Clerk Gerhart  
Director of Public Works Ahee  
Building Official Tutag

The meeting was called to order at 6:02 p.m. by Chair Ketels.

Motion by Novitke, seconded by Shetler, that all items on tonight's agenda be received, placed on file, and taken in order of appearance.

Motion carried by the following vote:

YES: Ahee, Boettcher, Ketels, Matouk, Novitke, Shetler  
NO: None  
ABSENT: Curis, Di Clemente, Fahrner, Vitale

Motion by Ahee, seconded by Shetler, that the minutes of the May 22, 2014, meeting be approved as submitted.

Motion carried by the following vote:

YES: Ahee, Boettcher, Ketels, Matouk, Novitke, Shetler  
NO: None  
ABSENT: Curis, Di Clemente, Fahrner, Vitale

MAYOR'S MACK AVENUE BUSINESS STUDY COMMITTEE  
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Also in attendance at tonight's meeting were Margaret Potter; and Nadira Gibson, The Rendezvous with Tea.

Discussion ensued regarding **Mack Business Employee Parking**. Director Ahee provided an overview of the total parking spots in the city. The breakdown is as follows: 867 metered spots, 174 unmetered spots along Mack and the surrounding side streets, 138 spots in the City Hall parking, 25 spots on Branford, and 37 spots in the Jackson Parking lot. The City has various parking meters ranging from 15 minute parking maximum to a 10 hour parking maximum. The current rates are \$.50 per hour, \$.25 per half hour, \$.10 per twelve minutes, and \$.5 for six minutes. In order to change the rates on our current electronic meters, we would need to rent a machine at a cost of \$350 for a two week periods, which would cover two rate changes, each additional rate change requires a \$50 charge. In addition the cost for an additional week for the rental is \$50. Each of our current parking meters would require three rate changes, one for each denomination. In order to adjust the maximum parking times of a meter the mechanism would need to be completely removed and replaced at an even greater cost. Building Official Tutag provided an overview of how Ferndale changed their parking situation during his time with the City. Mr. Matouk raised the point that the recent parking rate increase has provided a financial burden on his employees, as the current parking could cost an employee \$1040 a year. Director Ahee then provided a breakdown of the location of all the Municipal owned lots in the City. The final recommendation from the Commission was to hold a 90 day trial period as soon as possible in order to gauge the interest in employee parking passes. These passes would be sold at a cost of \$50 per month, and would allow the holder to park in specially designated spots within their assigned lot. These parking passes could be purchased in monthly increments, with a maximum pre-purchase of three months.

The next item on the agenda was **Update: Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce**.

- Tomorrow is the North South Tailgate from 5-7 pm
- Starting to promote the Holiday Season with the Deck the Store Contest
- The "I heart Grosse Pointe" banners have arrived and will be hung shortly
- The Santa Clause Parade is looking for volunteers and sponsors
- The next street art project will be butterfly benches and will be going out in late June, currently looking for artists
- Working on bringing a slow roll bike ride to the Grosse Pointes

- The annual Grosse Pointe of Distinction is accepting nominations
- MAYOR'S MACK AVENUE BUSINESS STUDY COMMITTEE  
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Under Public comment, Margaret Potter raised the question of residential parking on side streets and her worry that the two hour parking signs would be removed. The Mayor assured her they would not be. She also raised the concern of the overnight parking in the City Hall lot, which Mr. Tutag said he would discuss with the City Administrator.

Motion by Shetler, seconded by Novitke, that these minutes be given IMMEDIATE CERTIFICATION.

Motion carried by the following vote:

YES: Ahee, Boettcher, Ketels, Matouk, Novitke, Shetler

NO: None

ABSENT: Curis, Di Clemente, Fahrner, Vitale

Motion by Boettcher, seconded by Ahee, to adjourn tonight's meeting at 7:03 p.m. PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

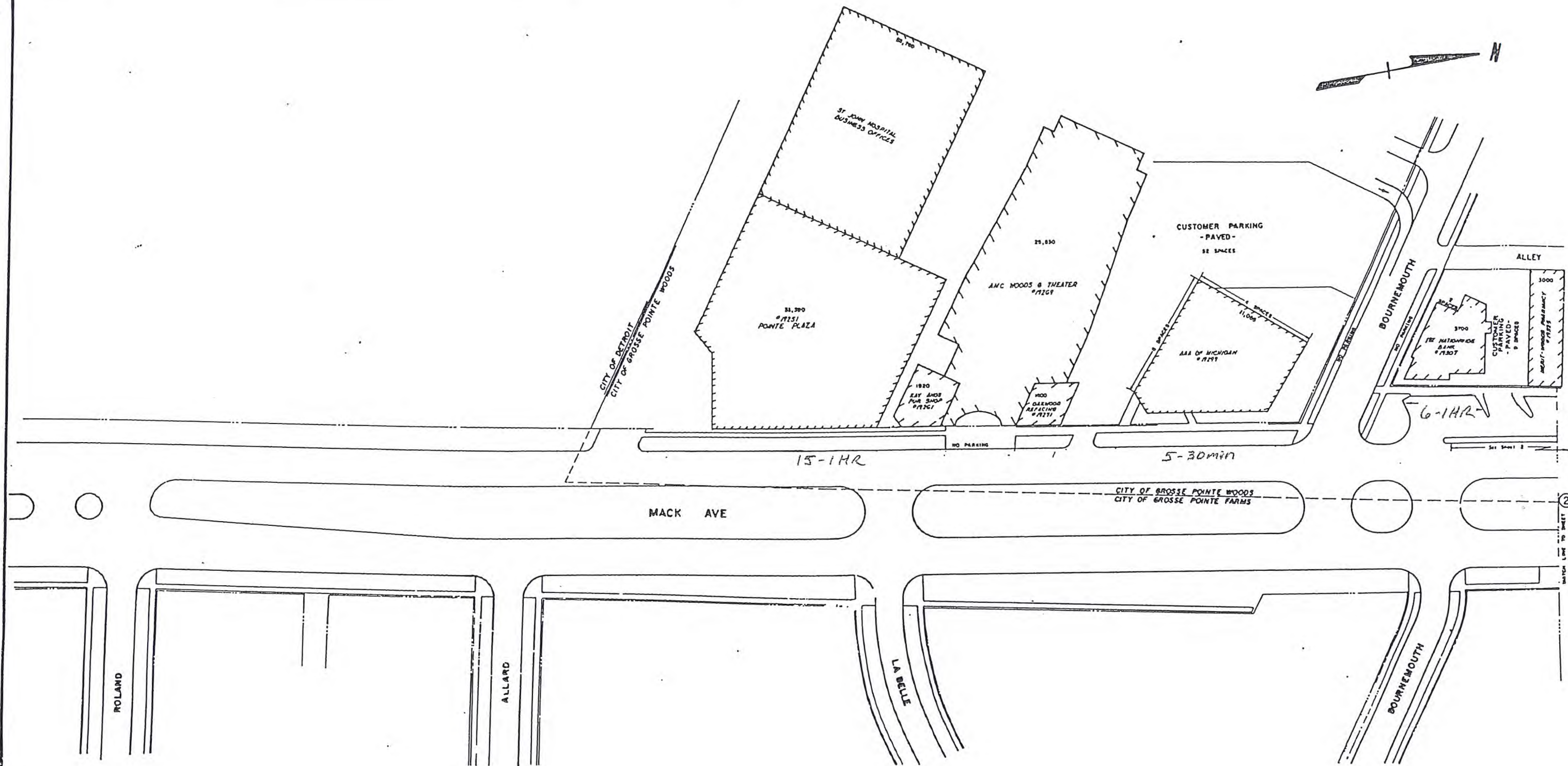
Respectfully submitted,

Steve Gerhart  
Deputy City Clerk

PARKING PLAN  
FOR THE  
CITY OF GROSSE POINTE WOODS  
2014

 MUNICIPAL PARKING LOT  
 UNRESTRICTED PARKING





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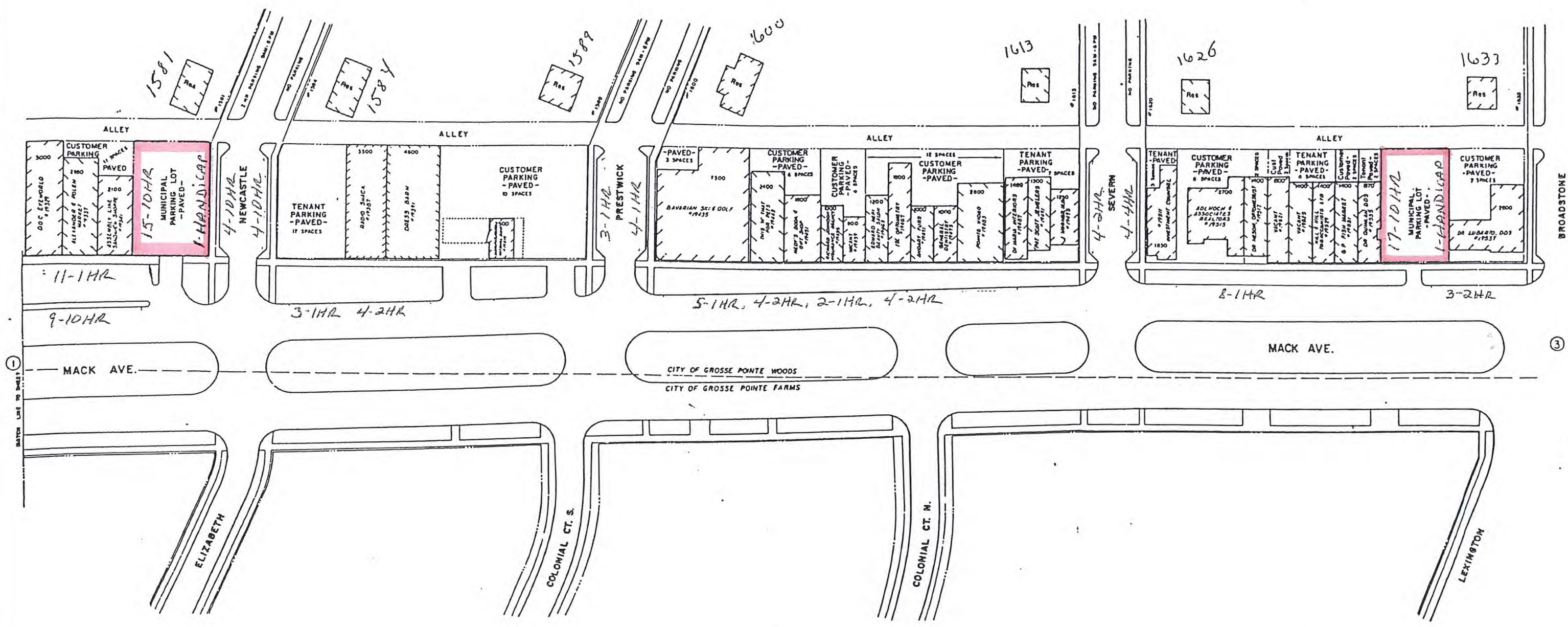
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**Mack Ave. Parking Survey**

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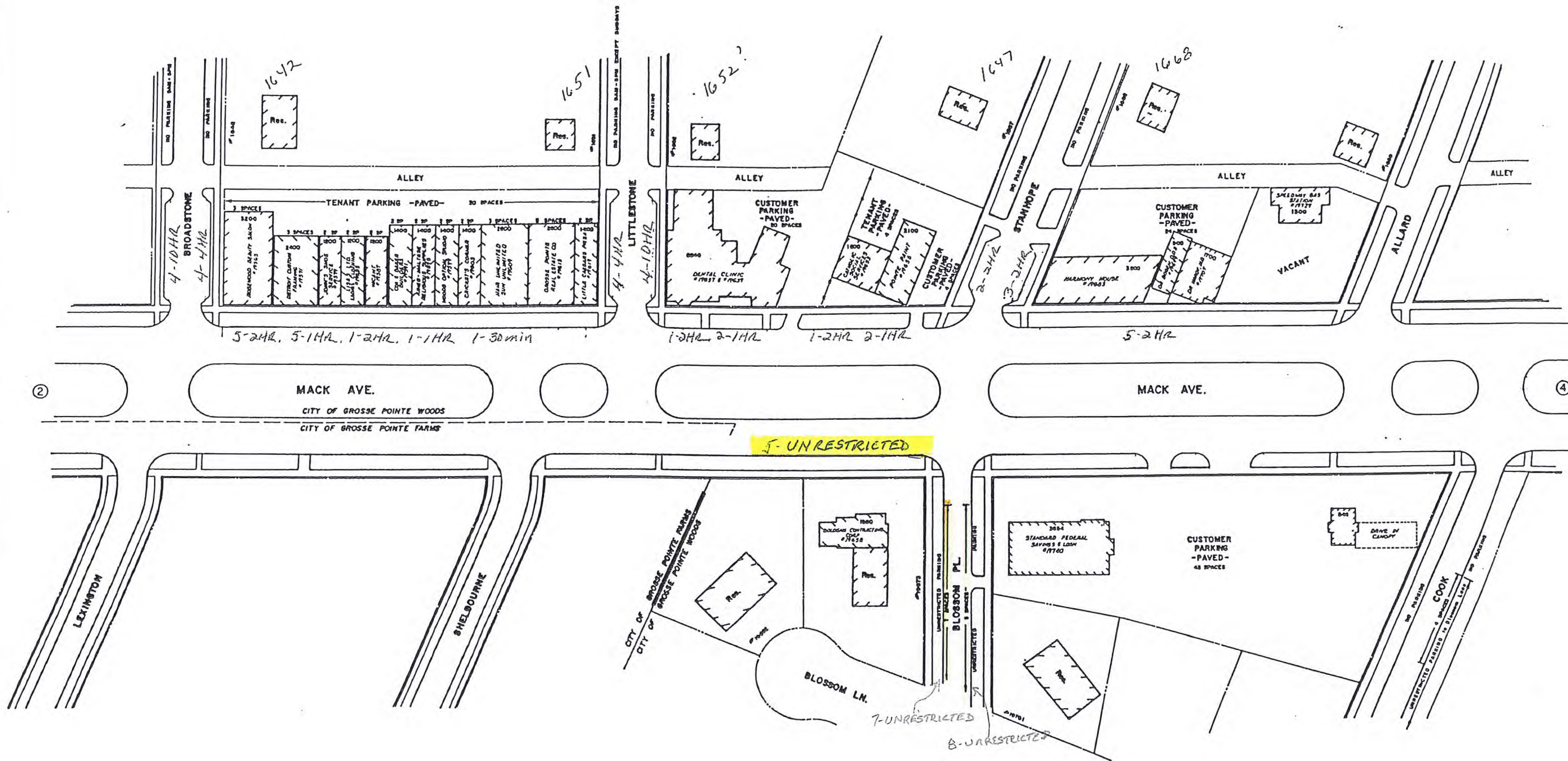




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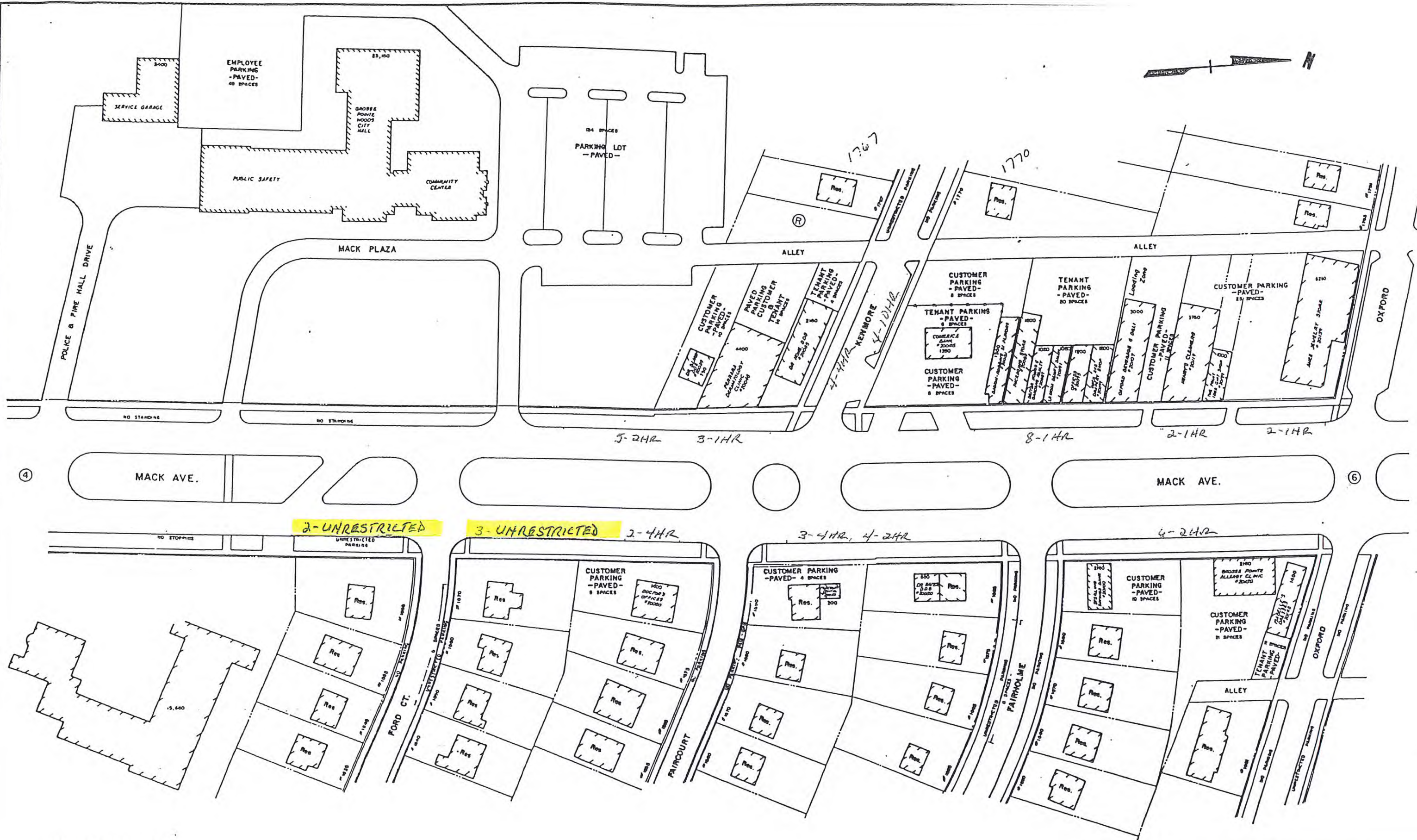
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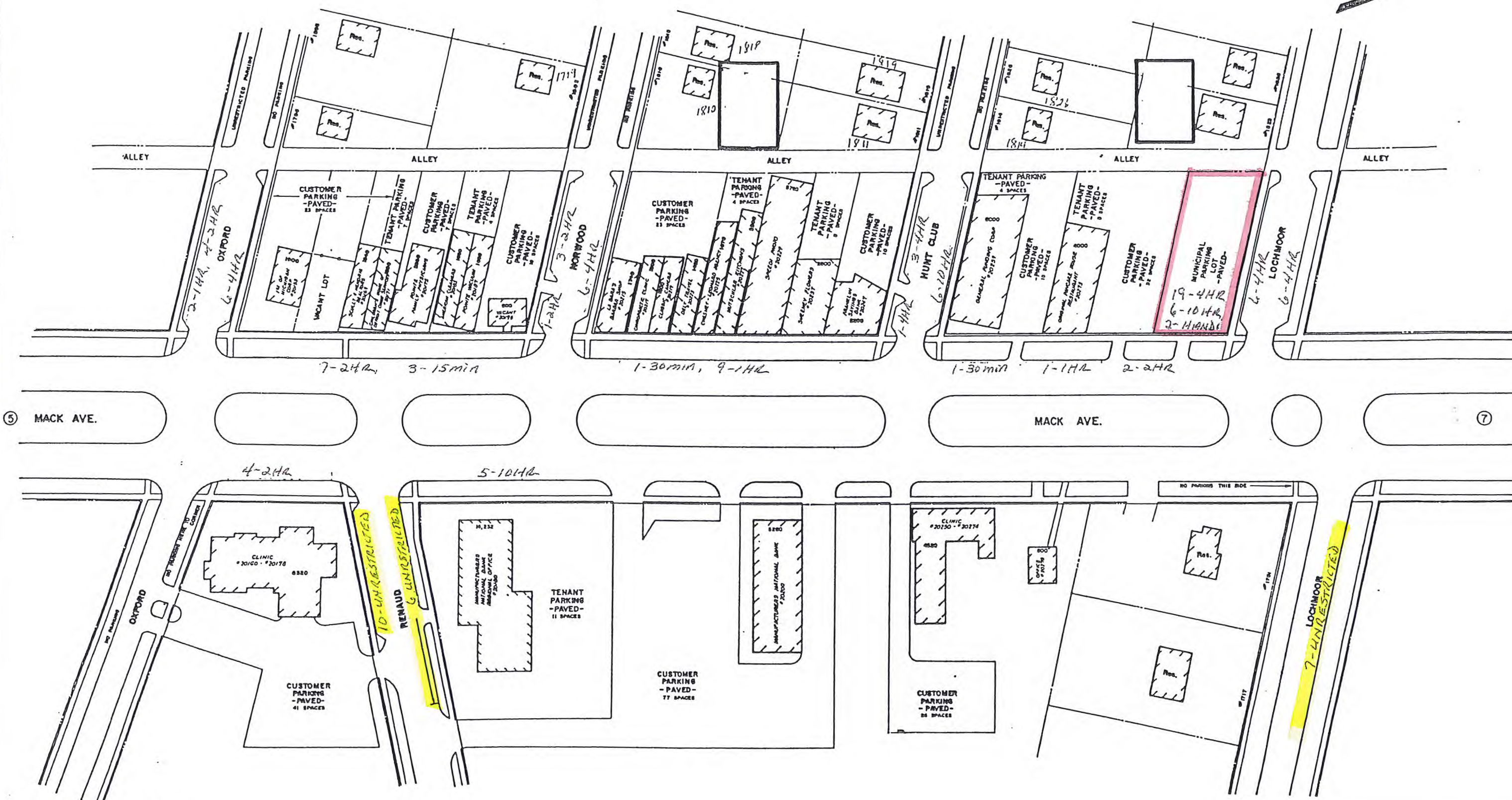
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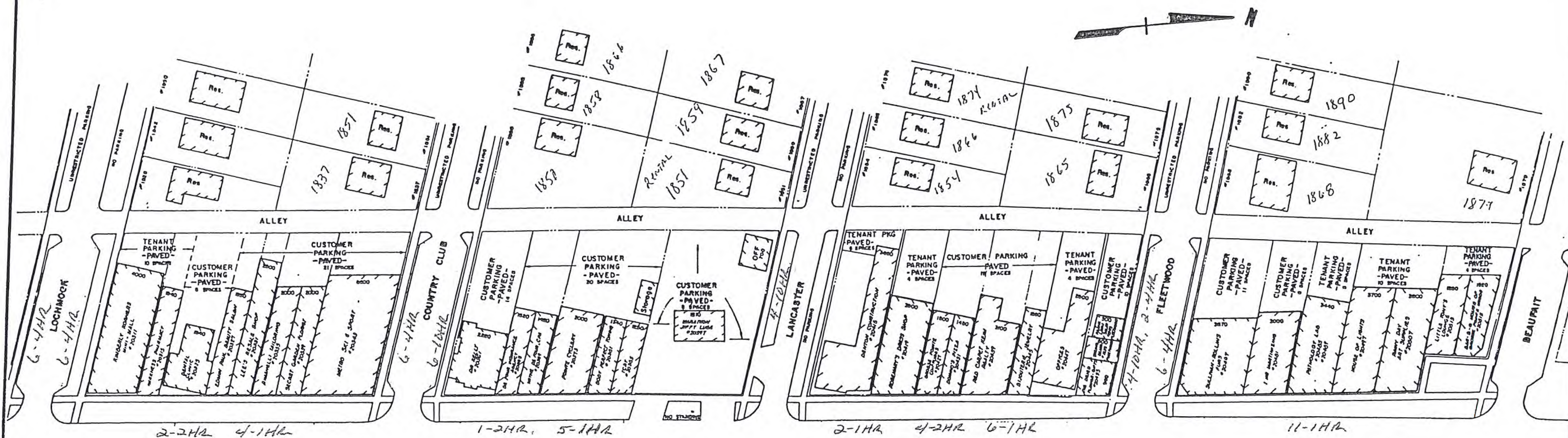




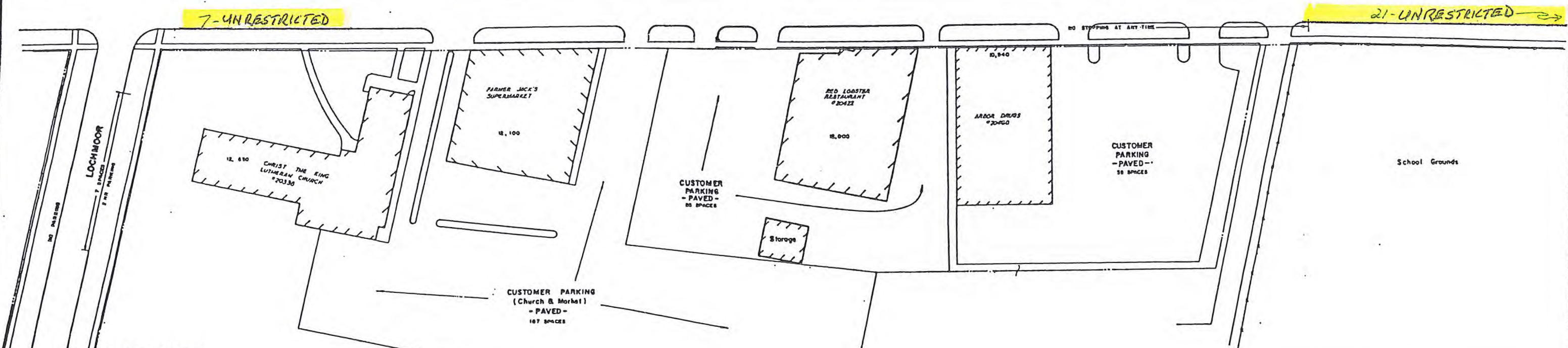
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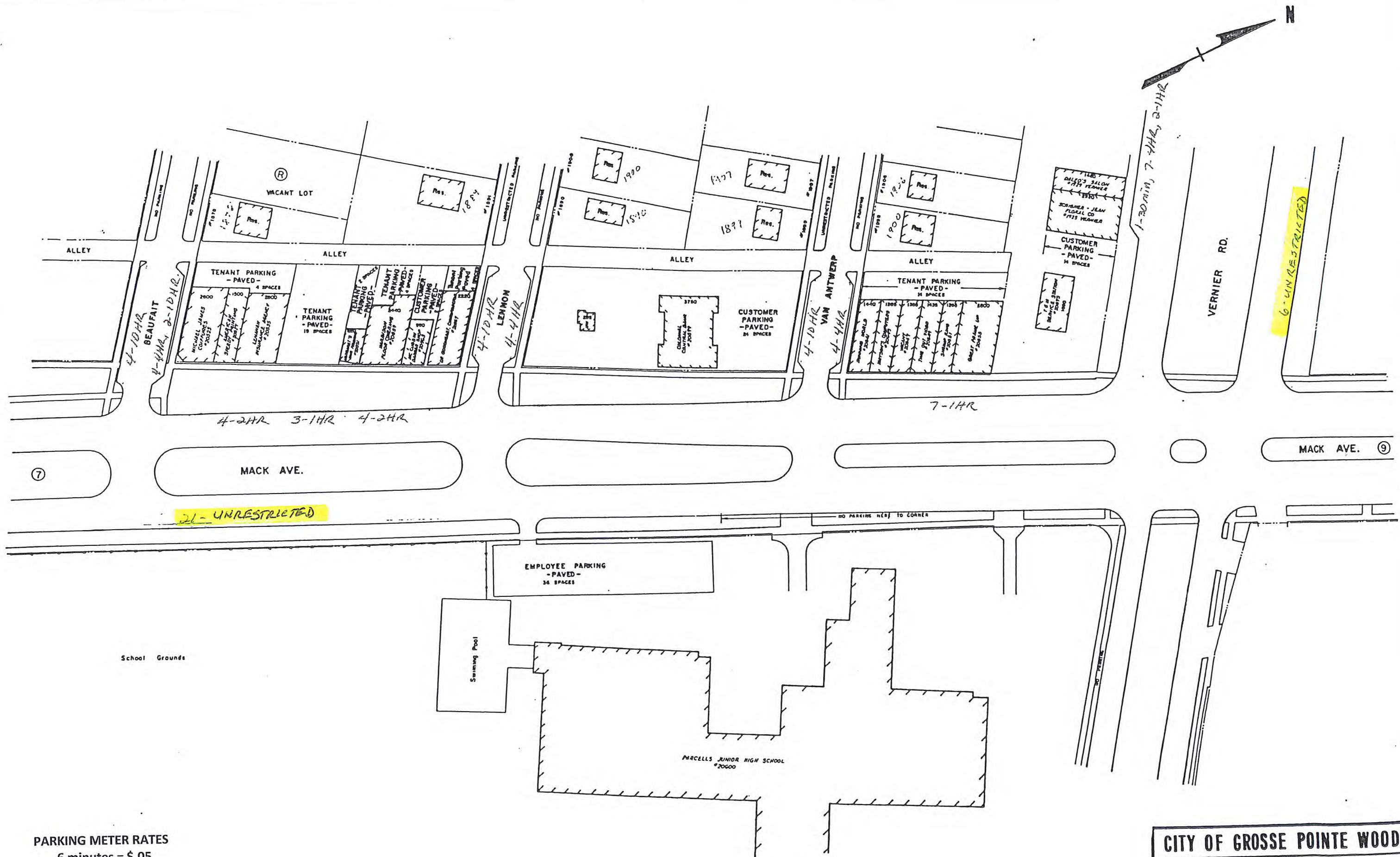
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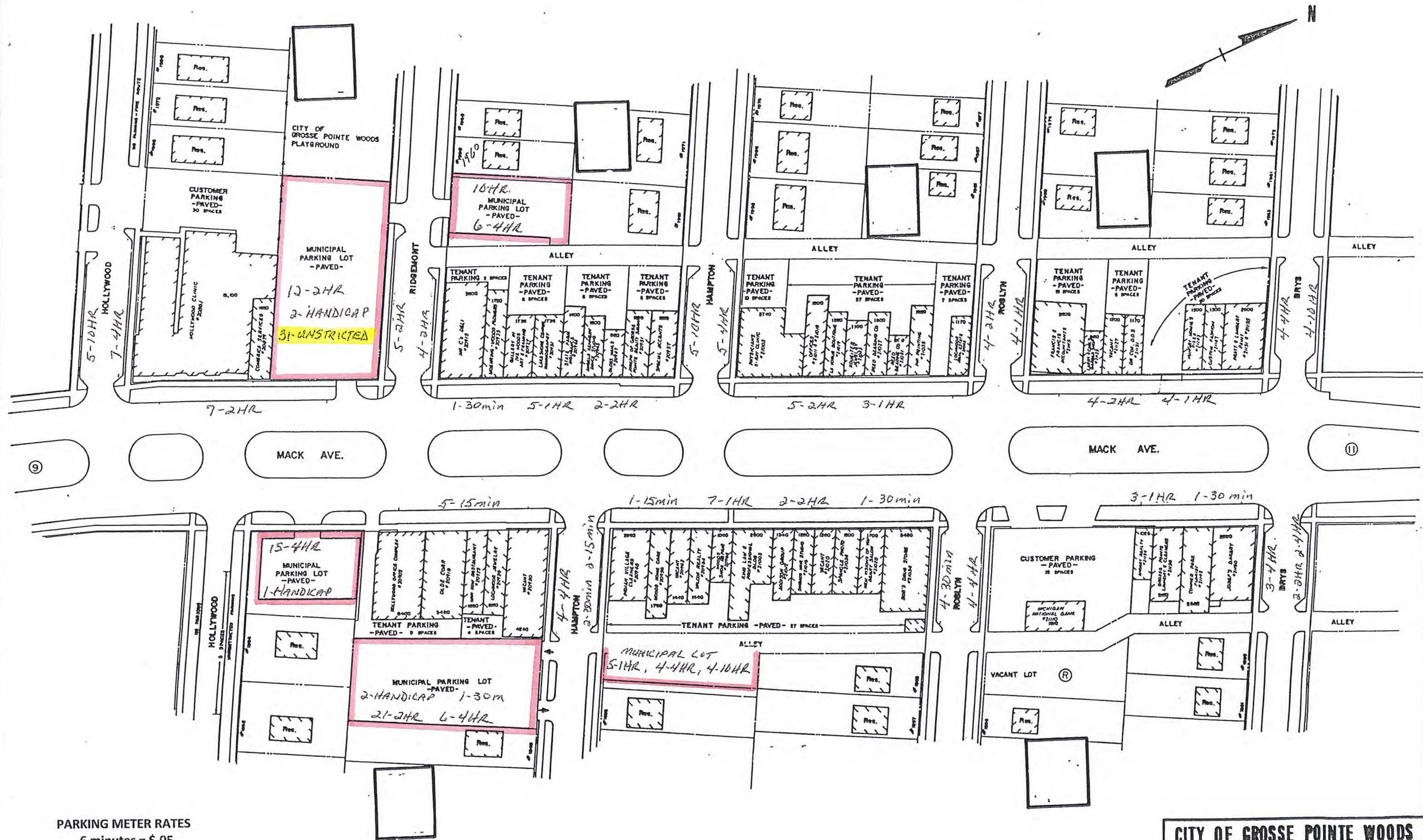
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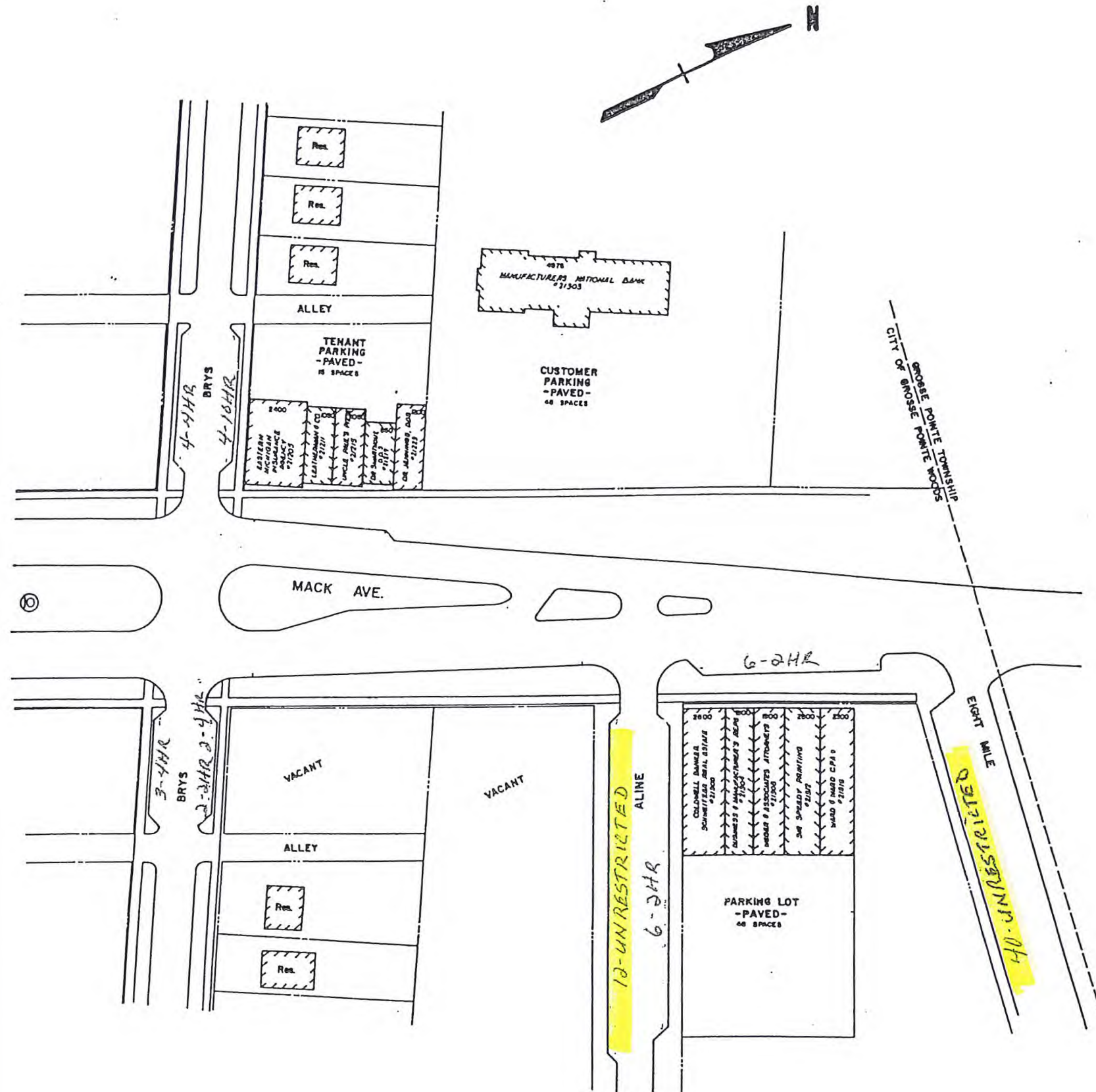






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