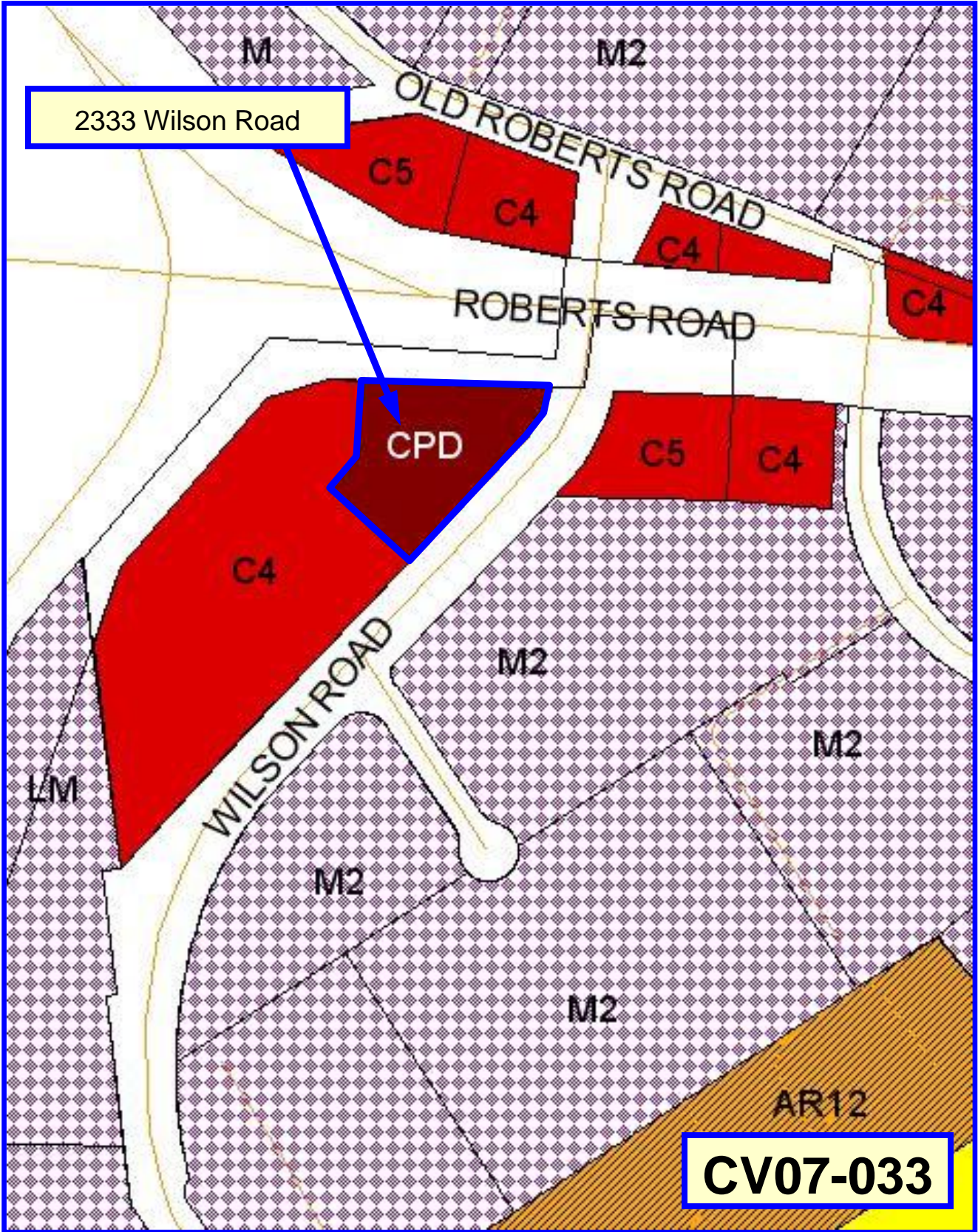


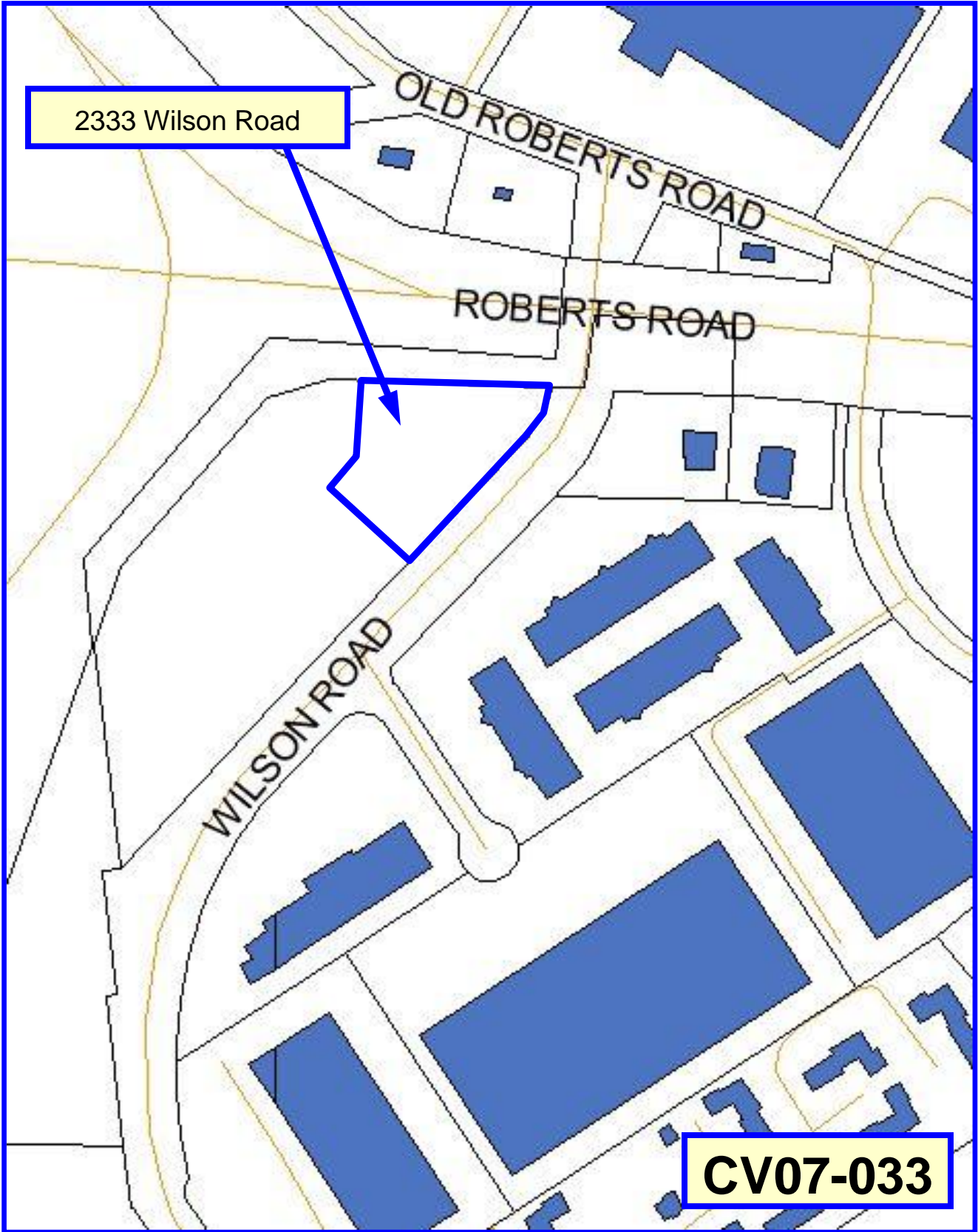
Statement of Hardship

The applicant, in accordance with a movement toward ecological sensitivity and fuel efficiency, is requesting a Council Variance to permit an above ground ethanol tank at its current gasoline sales and convenience store development on the property. Columbus City Code Section 3356.03 prohibits wholesale distribution, whereas the applicant proposes to permit limited distribution of ethanol. The benefits of ethanol are cleaner air, reduced reliance on foreign crude and support of the farming industry. The tank is a 20,000 gallon steel tank, with ethanol being delivered five times per week by company fuel delivery trucks. Ethanol is removed from the tank by the truck and blended into the transport vehicle for delivery to underground fuel tanks at other company sites in the Columbus area. The primary use of the facility will remain as it is currently, gasoline sales and convenience store. The grant of this variance will not impair an adequate supply of light and air to the adjacent property, nor unreasonably increase the congestion of public streets, nor increase the danger of fires, or endanger the public health, safety, comfort, morals or welfare of the inhabitants of the City of Columbus.

Signature of Applicant: David L. Hoge

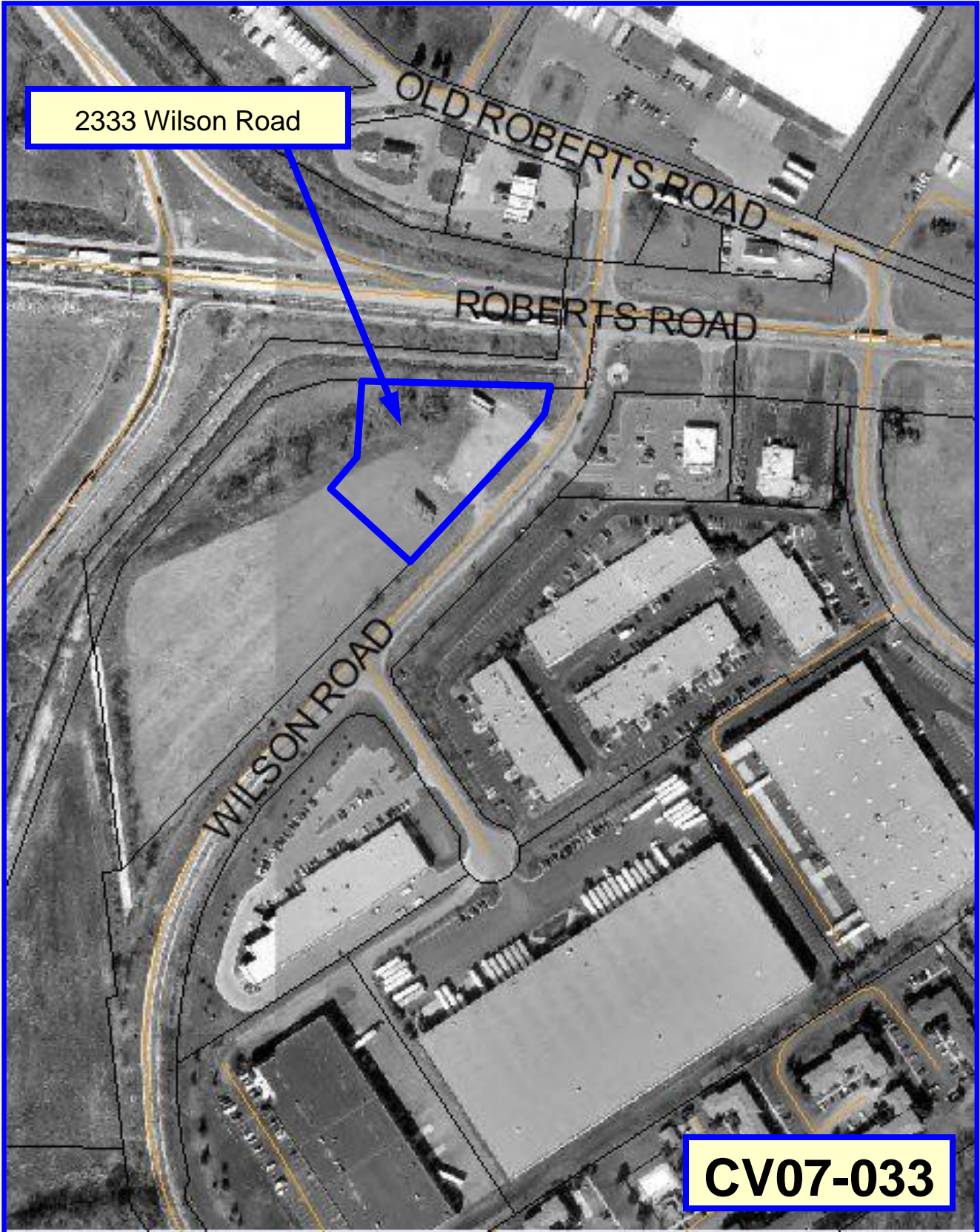
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PROJECT DISCLOSURE STATEMENT



Parties having a 5% or more interest in the project that is the subject of this application.
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Being first duly cautioned and sworn (NAME) David L. Hodge / Smith & Hale, LLC
of (COMPLETE ADDRESS) 2333 North Wilson Road
deposes and states that (he/she) is the APPLICANT, AGENT or DULY AUTHORIZED ATTORNEY FOR SAME and the following is a list of all persons, other partnerships, corporations or entities having a 5% or more interest in the project which is the subject of this application in the following format:

- Name of business or individual
- Business or individual's address
- Address of corporate headquarters
- City, State, Zip
- Number of Columbus based employees
- Contact name and number

If applicable, check here if listing additional parties on a separate page (REQUIRED)

1. Thornton's, Inc. 10101 Linn Station Rd., Suite 200 Louisville, KY 40223 64 Columbus based employees	2.
3.	4.

SIGNATURE OF AFFIANT

Subscribed to me in my presence and before me this 31st day of July, in the year 2007

SIGNATURE OF NOTARY PUBLIC

My Commission Expires:

David L. Hodge
Natalie C. Patrick
9/4/2010

This Project Disclosure Statement expires six months after date of notarization.

Notary Seal Here



NATALIE C. PATRICK
Notary Public, State of Ohio
My Commission Expires 09-04-10