

Bloomington Planning Division:

We are submitting a Development Application to install a truck port that would be attached to our building at 8711 Lyndale Ave S. The structure would be 30' X 40'.

The purpose of this structure would be to add protection for the tankers that deliver food product to us.

This structure would be built by General Steel. It would be open ended on 3 sides, with the 4th side facing and being attached to the building. This would be a steel truck port, installed 8" from our building. We would do 2 things to incorporate the structure to our building. First, we would use bent plates to bolt the steel structure to the existing building. Please refer to the structural drawings designed by VAA, LLC. Secondly, to incorporate the steel structure we would place various matching colored blocks around the steel beams. This would give the structure a more refined look and be better incorporate the structure into the existing building. Please refer to the 2nd page of the Steven Fichtel Architects, LLC attachment. For the block we would use a similar block to the Echelon block. These would be colored when we purchased them, not painted. Please see the attachment for the type of block we would use.

We approached the board about a building addition in September. This structure would be quite a bit different than that structure since it won't be an enclosed addition.

Here are some issues that were brought up in our September meeting and how those would apply to the proposed structure:

Environmental Health – this building would have a roof that would run from the current structure. Snow, rain, etc. would flow off the roof and drain into the sewer drain we have on property. The new structure wouldn't change that. If a spill were to happen from the tanker supplying food, we would use the same spill kit and clean up procedures that we currently have in place.

Building and Inspection – previously there were questions regarding the sprinkler system in the addition. Because this isn't an enclosed structure and would be made entirely out of steel and masonry block, we would not have a sprinkler system.

Traffic – Because this building is open ended, traffic is able to pass through without barriers. The parking spaces and traffic flow would be exactly as they are now. There would be a space of 25' from the structure to the end of the parking lot. The semi-tractor and tanker would enter from the Lyndale entrance. It would pull into the truck port and unload. Upon completion of unloading it would exit our property onto Harriet Ave S.

If you need further information or clarity please let me know.



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