

**From:** Ron Baker <ronbaker293@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 10, 2023 10:19 PM  
**To:** Marlin Eckhoff  
**Subject:** Baker/702 Ashley Rd.

Mr. Eckhoff and City Council,

Friday October 6th, 2023 my wife and I received via certified mail a notice of violation/correction regarding our activity at our property at 702 Ashley Rd. I spoke with you Mr. Eckhoff on the phone around noon on the same day, communicating with you my discontent with notice given that my wife and I had already started improving the property and had intentions of building. I also made it clear that I felt the action from the City of Craig was taken in response to a complaint from another citizen. Mr. Eckhoff informed me that the intention of the notice was an effort to preserve and protect the presentation of the community. We also discussed the likelihood and ability for me to correct the situation before winter and that after snow was on the ground there would be almost no chance of moving the container on our property. In your words you stated that it may be possible for council to grant temporary use or even vacate the violation if I voiced my concerns via email to you and possibly appear at a council meeting. The following day on the 7th my wife and I spent some time observing other properties in Craig with the same zoning, and closely reviewing code. To no surprise of ours we found similar activity on multiple properties around the community.

Attached you will find multiple photographs of the examples we found. Within them are examples similar to ours of empty lots with containers on them with no visible intentions of future improvement, unsightly debris, garbage and pollution. Multiple lots with vehicles that obviously do not run under their own power. All of these are violations to title 16 of city code. Most of which have had no change or only gotten worse since my time as resident in the City of Craig. In my short time in Craig I have purchased two properties. We feel as if our rights as property owners in this community are being attacked. The photo labeled I is owned by a construction company and clearly is in storage disarray, our property has intended use as described by primary uses in city code. Photo J is a vacant lot which according to the county gis information is owned by the City of Craig to the best knowledge of my wife and I, and appears to be storing trailers. Photos U and V are of a vacant lot that over the last few months has only seemed to collect rubble and garbage and be used as commercial equipment storage. Photo L, clearly shows a metal container and looking at its location could be placed on an easement. Photo E and P depict similar activity.

As made evident by the information we are providing, violations of city code, including a violation made by the City of Craig itself are present all over in RLD zoning areas within city limits. We do not feel as if we are in violation. Our property is continuing to be improved, it's kept clean and organized. It is not vacant by definition which is either missing or difficult for us to locate within your land use code.

Please consider this a formal request to vacate and remove the violation on our property at 702 Ashley Rd., effectively change the zoning of our property, or at the least grant some sort of temporary permit for no less than a year with intent to improve the property. Again if the violation is pursued by the city we will need time next spring to make the unwarranted but requested corrections.

If there is no compromise to be had and the City of Craig stands behind their action to serve us the violation. I would immediately request that all properties in the photographs provided and any others in violation of code be under the same scrutiny and served violations in a timely manner.

Sincerely



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{l} 065931107020 corner of Bryan way between 10th and Jeremiah.jpg





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(H) 065931107019 West side of Bryan way Between 10th and Jeremiah.jpg





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(G} 1166 Legion St .jpg









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(E) 1060 lincoln .jpg

















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(J) 065931212901 City of Craig owned SW corner of 12th.jpg





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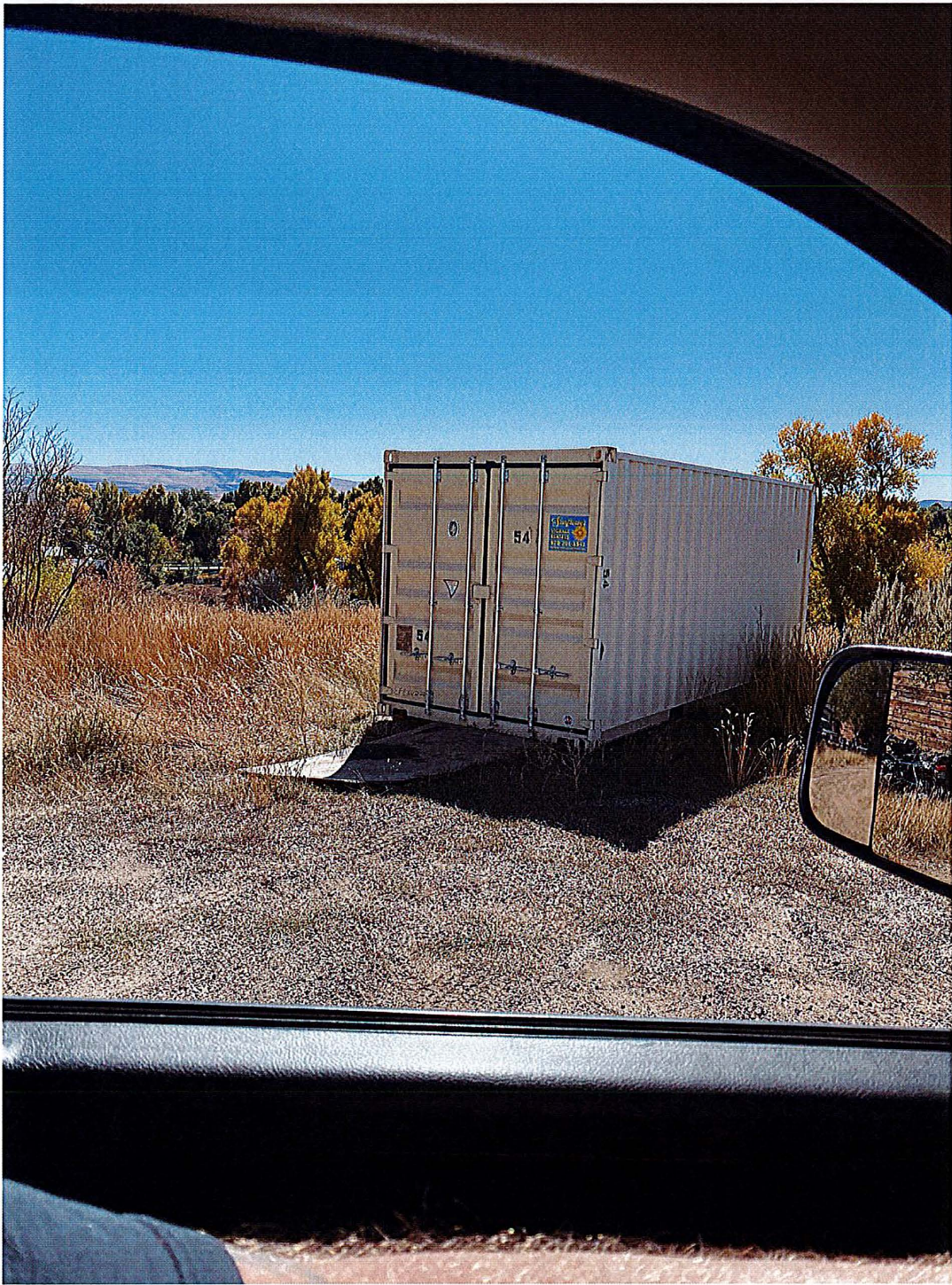
(K) 065931227017 900 block of Lincoln on west side .jpg





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(L) 065931307002 West end of eighth from Colorado (2).jpg



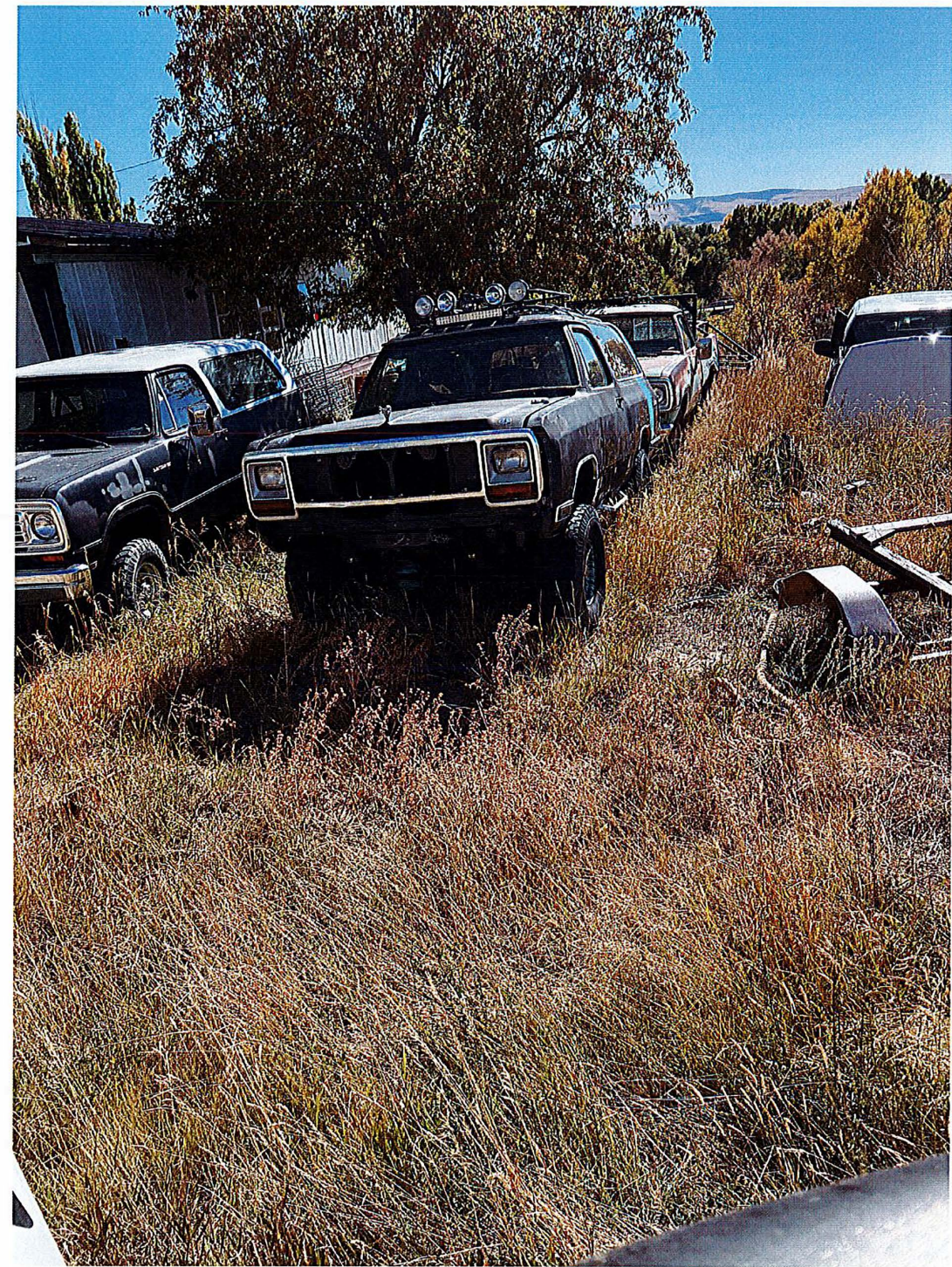


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(M) 065931307002 West end of eighth from Colorado (3).jpg



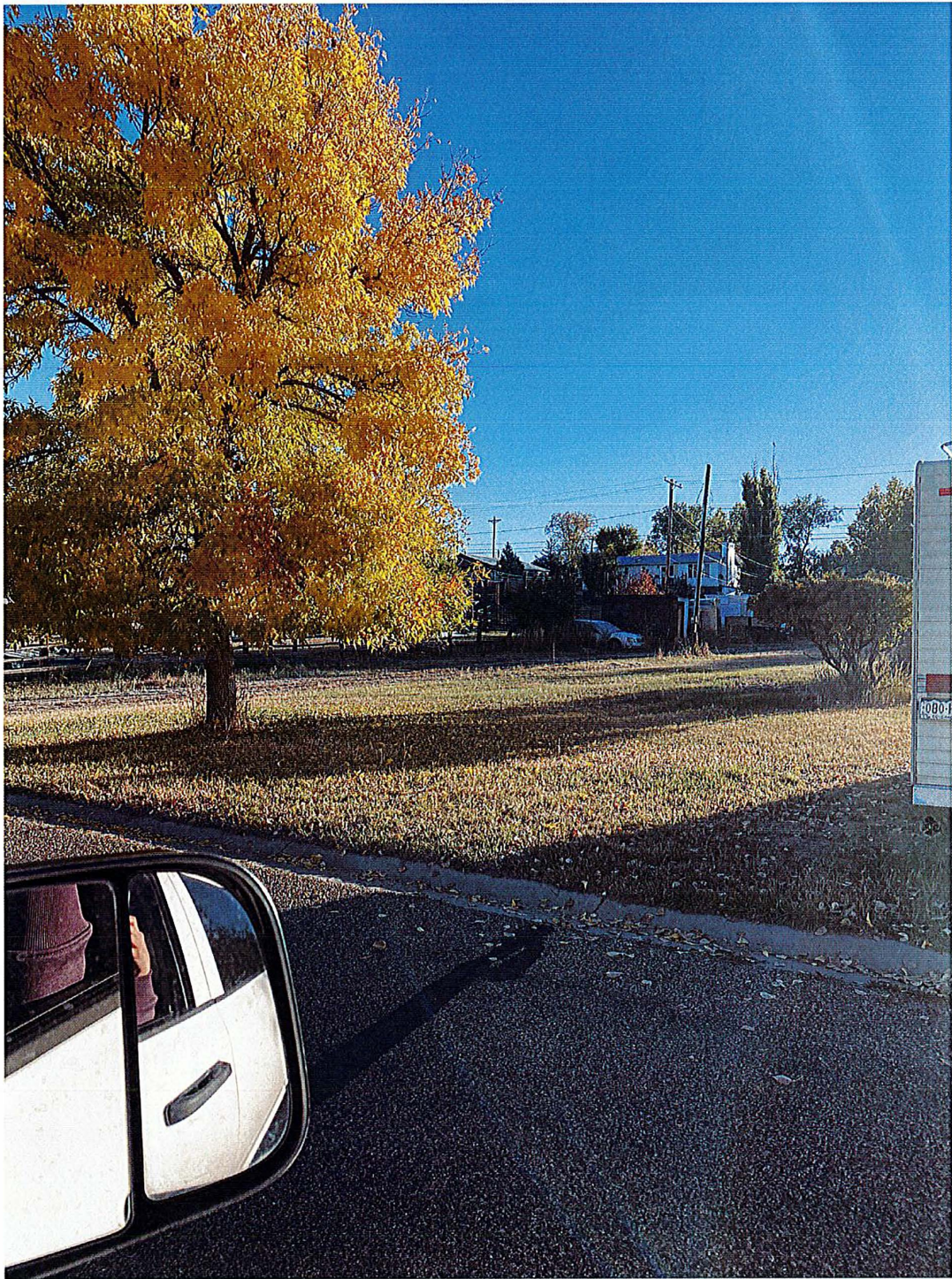






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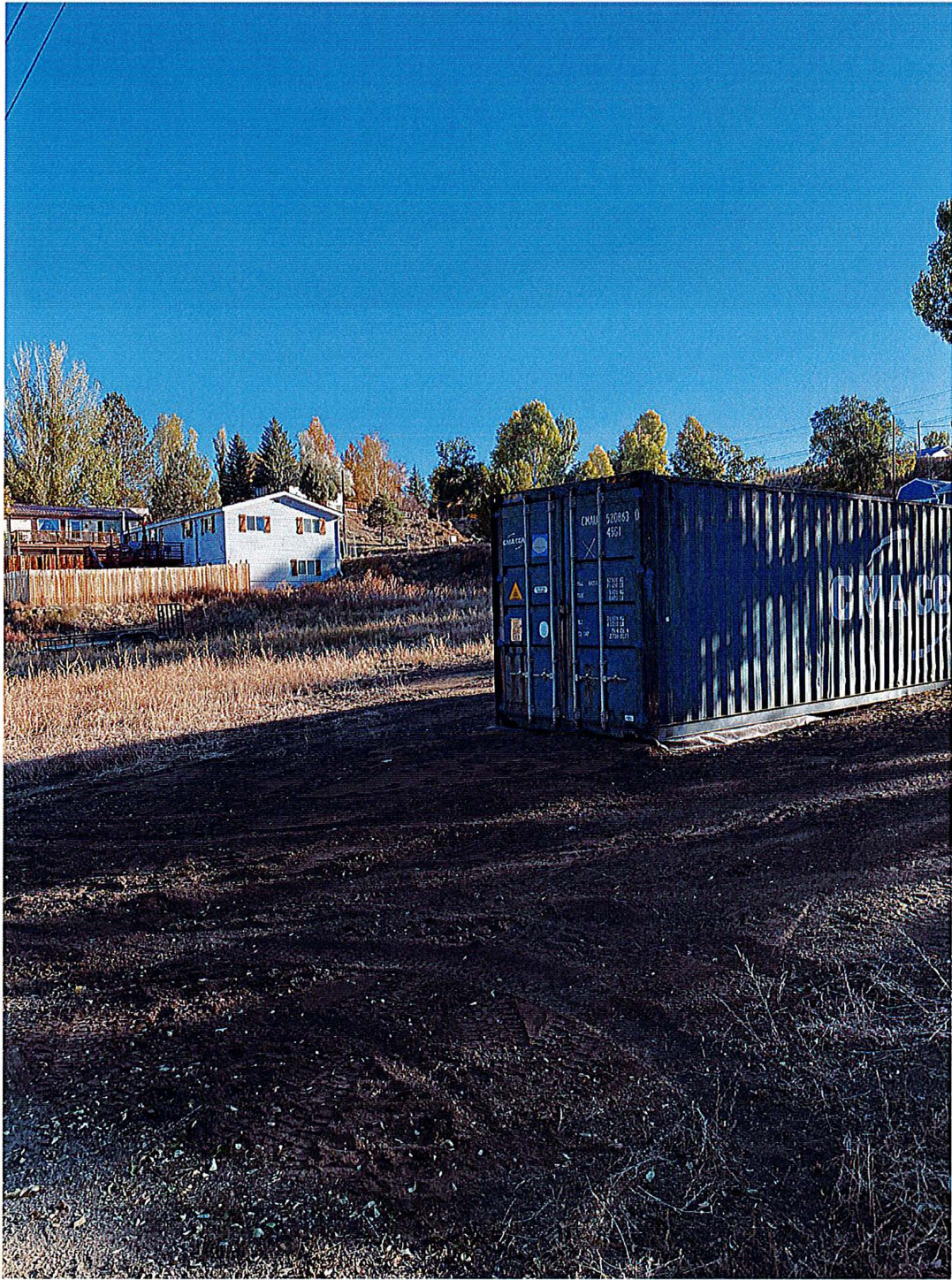
(0) Lot between 1255 and 1295 Washington St.jpg



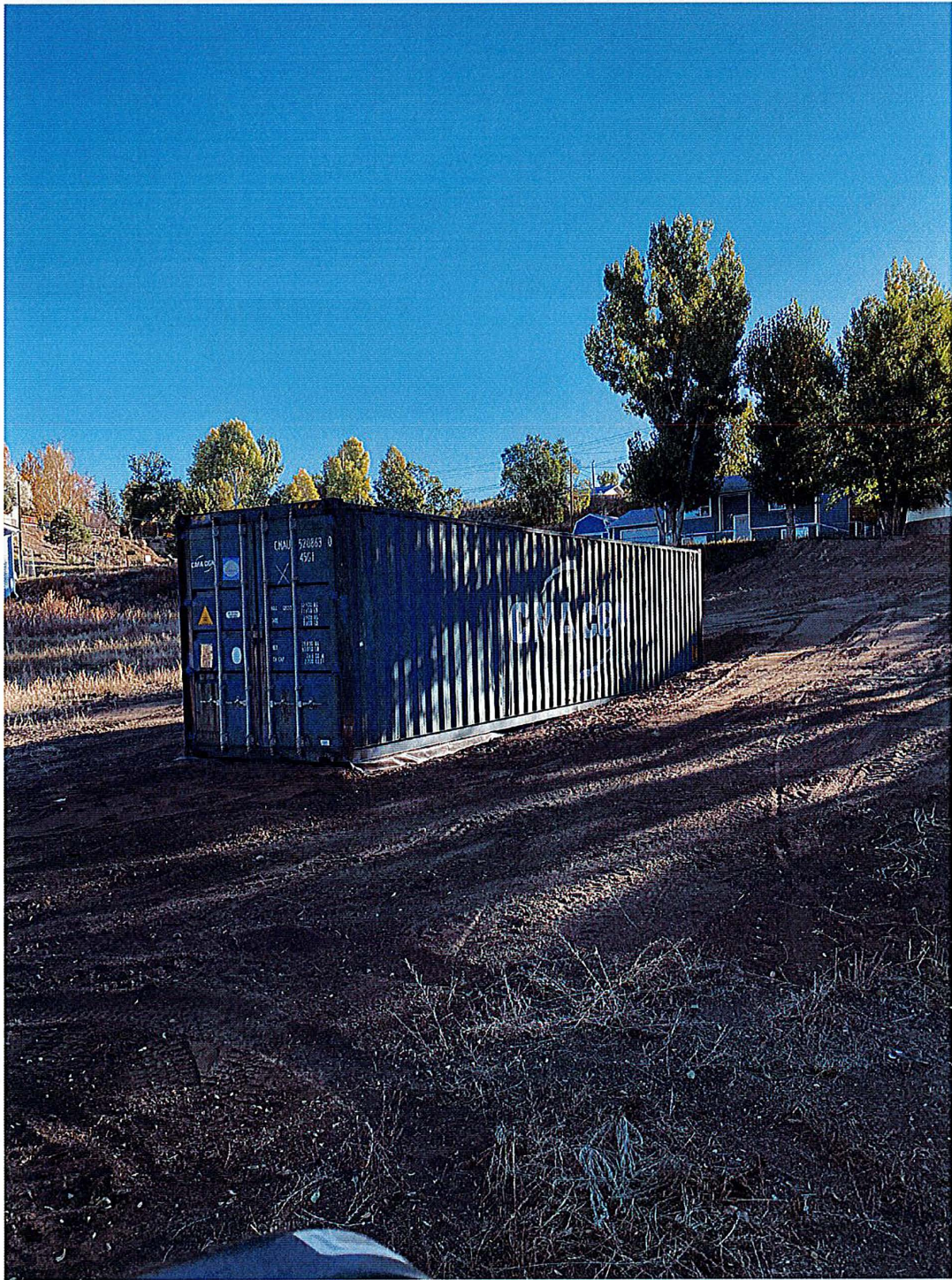


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(P) Lot south of 1052 Colorado (2).jpg



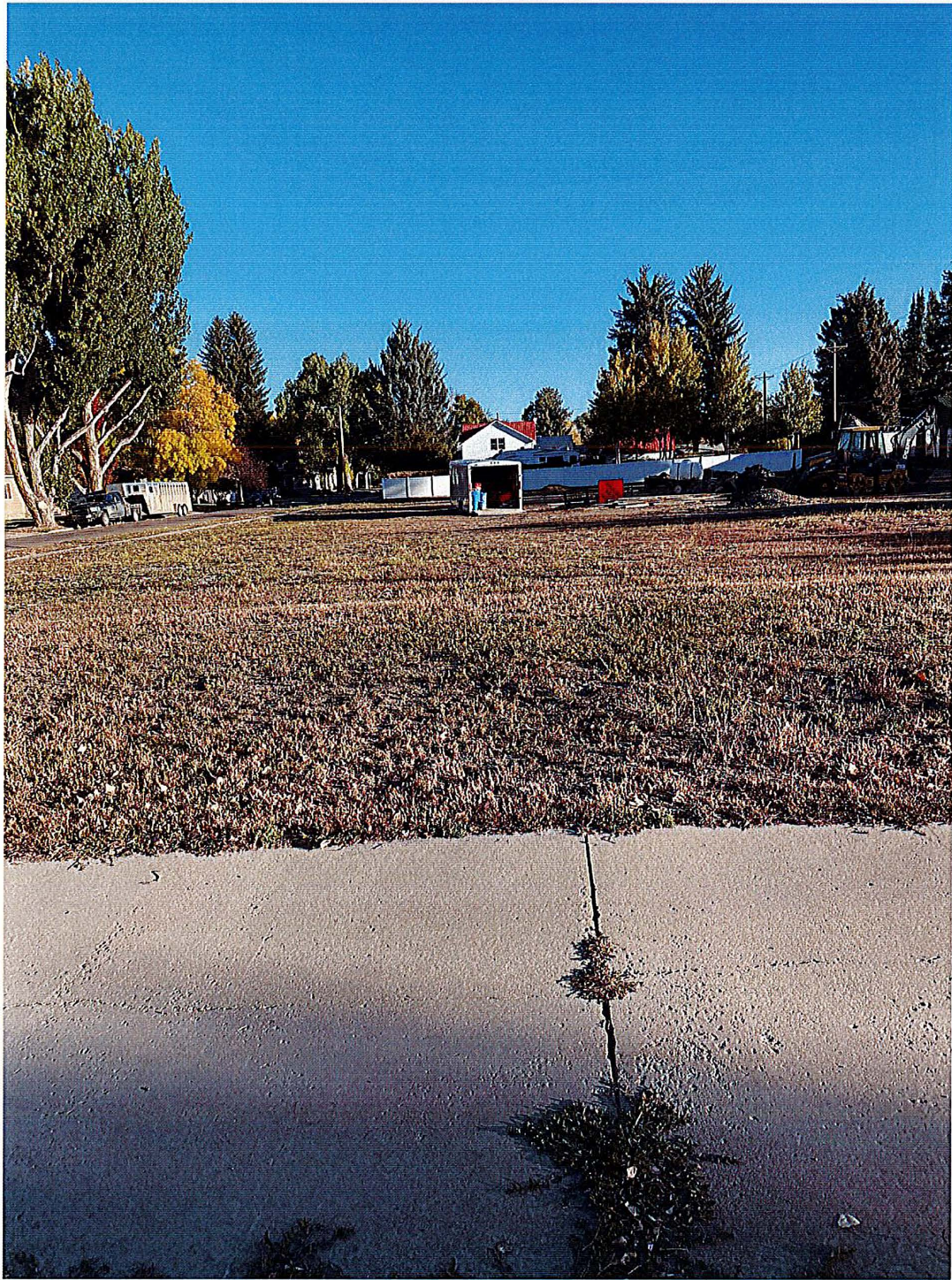






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(R) NE corner of 7th - Breeze.jpg





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(T) SW corner 10th- Lincoln.jpg

