Empty lot at Lafayette St. Park eyed for parking

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CAPE MAY — Following the latest remediation action by Viasant of the former coal-gasification operations at Lafayette Street and Franklin Street, an empty lot has been left behind that could eventually be part of the expansion of Lafayette Street Park. According to JCP&L, it has achieved its objectives for this phase of environmental remediation on the site located north of Lafayette and St. John streets. On behalf of JCP&L, Attorney Craig Hurless said the remediation of the site containing a small temporary water treatment plant, which was “a limited presence on the original site plan.” Hurless said the remediation has been completed, according to JCP&L. The treatment system has been removed from the site and Viasant has completed spring restoration planting in upland and marsh areas. A temporary water treatment plant has been demobilized and support noise aggregate has been moved on an approved work plan. Hurless said the approved work plan has been completed, according to JCP&L.

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Beach Shack gets final approval for expansion design

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CAPE MAY — The Cape Coachman Realty LLC received final approval from the Planning Board for the Beach Shack Hotel. The board previously granted preliminary site plan approval to increase the hotel from 66 to 77 rooms.

The building height needs to be stabilized, according to architect Craig Hurless, who said the site plan has been revised in accordance with the approval. Hurless said the building height needs to be stabilized, and the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) permitting has been approved, according to Hurless. Hurless said the building height needs to be stabilized, and the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) permitting has been approved, according to Hurless.

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Sunny with a chance of smiles

Air near a week of rainy days in southern New Jersey, the sun finally made an appearance Sunday, May 20, in Cape May, where bicycles again became a viable means of transportation.

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