



AGENDA

ROCKY MOUNT PLANNING BOARD MEETING

APRIL 11, 2023 AT 5:30 P.M.

GEORGE W. DUDLEY CITY COUNCIL CHAMBER, FREDERICK E. TURNAGE MUNICIPAL BUILDING

Board Membership

Rocky Mount: Bruce Berry, James Davis, Robert Davis, Robert Hudkins, Johnnie Mayo

Jr., Matthew Sperati (chair), and Monika Underhill

Edgecombe County: Vacant

Nash County: Vacant

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Approval of Agenda
- **3. Approval of Meeting Minutes:** March 14, 2023
- 4. Development Review

4.1 Hunter Hill Townhomes Major Subdivision Preliminary Plat #758

Requested Action: Preliminary Major Subdivision Plat Location: Hunter Hill Road [PIN 384113049237]

Existing Land Use: Undeveloped
Site Plan Data: ±33.96 acres
Applicable Regulations: LDC Sec. 1404.A
Owner: Betty L. Baker, et al

Applicant: Kevin Varnell; Stocks Engineering, PA

Prepared By: J. Michael Stocks, PE; Stocks Engineering, PA

Case Manager: JoSeth Bocook, Planning Administrator

Voting Representatives: City Members

4.2 Dollar General Construction Planned Building Group #759

Requested Action: Construction Planned Building Group

Location: 940 Cokey Road

Existing Land Use: Undeveloped [Brownfield]

Site Plan Data: +1.57 acres

Applicable Regulations: LDC Sec. 712. D .3
Owner: LDC Sec. 712. D .3
City of Rocky Mount

Applicant: Glandon Forest Equity, LLC

Prepared By: Brent Purdum, Bowman North Carolina Ltd.
Case Manager: JoSeth Bocook, Planning Administrator

Voting Representatives: City Members

5. Zoning Review

5.1 Rezoning Request # 14-04-23

Requested Action: Nash County R-30 to O-I2 Location: 9121 West Mount Drive

Site Data: ± 7.11 acres

Existing Land Use: Single-Family Dwelling Applicant: James D. Gailliard

Property Owner(s): James & Angela Gailliard

Case Manager: JoSeth Bocook, Planning Administrator

Voting Representatives: *City & Nash Members

5.2 Rezoning Request # 15-04-23

Requested Action: Nash County R-30 to O-I

Location: 9041 and 9053 West Mount Drive

[PINs 373920809143, 373800991544, 373800906177, 373920908350]

Site Data: +59.41 acres

Existing Land Use: Open Space, Cemetery, Single-Family Dwelling, Health

Club/Gym Spa [Private Recreation]

Applicant: James D. Gailliard; Word Tabernacle Church

Property Owner(s): Word Tabernacle Church

Case Manager: JoSeth Bocook, Planning Administrator

Voting Representatives: *City & Nash Members

5.3 Rezoning Request # 16-04-23

Requested Action: R-10 to R-6MFACD Location: 1930 Bethlehem Road

[PINs 373908986297, 373908988825U, 373908983727]

Site Data: ± 22.43 acres

Existing Land Use: Single-Family Dwelling, Undeveloped (Agricultural)
Applicant: DeLeon Parker, Jr.; Oak Level Ventures, LLC

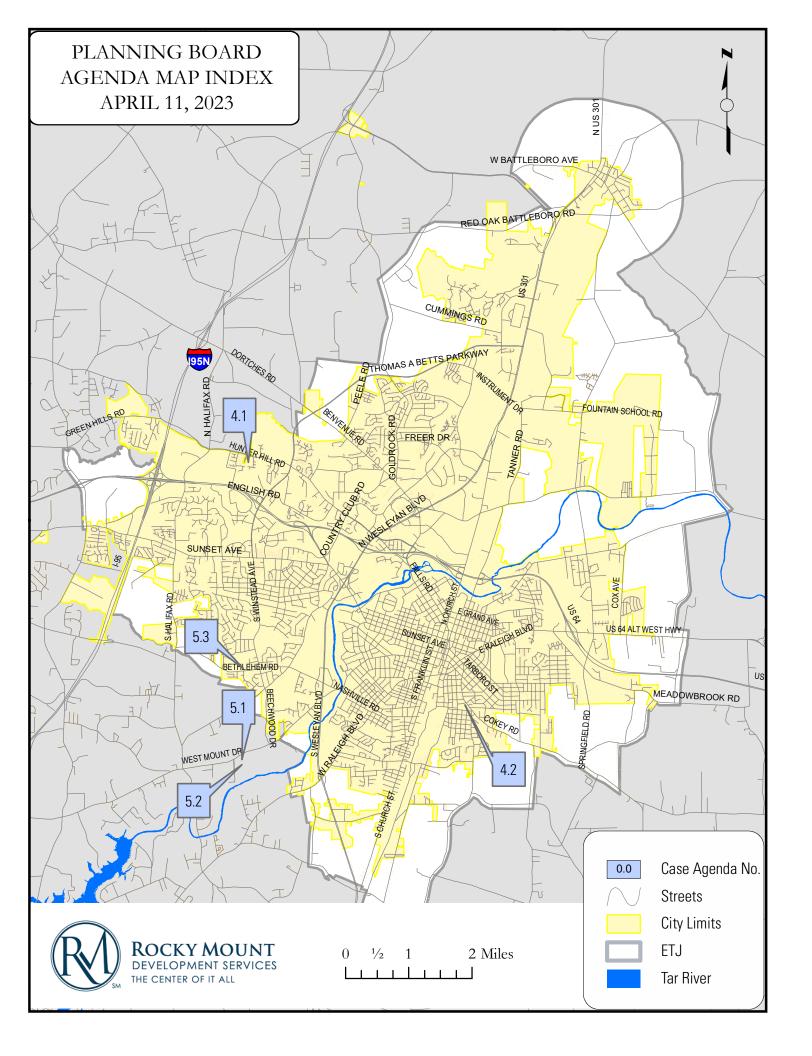
Property Owner(s): Oak Level Ventures, LLC

Case Manager: JoSeth Bocook, Planning Administrator

Voting Representatives: City Members

6. Planning Review

- 7. Other
- 8. Items from the Planning Board
- 9. Items from the Secretary
- **10. Adjournment** (Next regular meeting: May 9, 2023)



MINUTES OF THE ROCKY MOUNT PLANNING BOARD MEETING HELD MARCH 14, 2023, AT 5:30 P.M. IN THE FREDERICK E. TURNAGE MUNICIPAL BUILDING, GEORGE W. DUDLEY CITY COUNCIL CHAMBER

MEMBERS PRESENT

Bruce Berry
James Davis
Robert Hudkins
Johnnie Mayo, Jr., vice chair
Matthew Sperati, chair
Monica Underhill

MEMEBERS ABSENT

Robert Davis

STAFF PRESENT

Samantha Andelin, Administrative Assistant Gabrielle Bryson, Stormwater Engineer Will Deaton, Development Services Director Ramon Muckle, Traffic Engineer Jordan Reedy, Principal Transportation Planner

1. Call to Order

The chair called the meeting to order at 5:38 p.m.

2. Approval of the Agenda

The chair presented the agenda and staff advised there were no changes; therefore, the board approved the agenda as presented.

3. Approval of the Meeting Minutes: January 10, 2023

The chair presented the January 10, 2023, meeting minutes to the board. A motion was made by Bruce Berry seconded by James Davis and unanimously carried to approve the minutes as presented.

4. Development Review

4.1 Joyner Park Townhomes Preliminary Planned Building Group #757

At the request of the chair, Kevin Varnell, of Stocks Engineering, representative of the property owner, Sandra J. Tharrington and Mary C. Daughtridge Edwards, was available to answer any questions from the board for the preliminary planned building group located on the 1400 block of Bethlehem Road, having tax parcel identification number 374906377954, containing ±28.33 acres. Presently, the site is undeveloped. The project is for 125 townhomes with 30 visitor spaces scattered throughout.

The chair called for questions/comments from the board for the applicant. There were none.

At the request of the chair, Director of Development Services Will Deaton provided a staff recommendation for approval of the preliminary planned building group on condition the following comments are resolved: a major subdivision plat approval shall be required; note the driveway length from garage to right-of-way on typical home unit diagram; and roadway construction details shall be provided with subsequent construction plan review.

The chair called for any comments/questions from the board for city staff. There were none.

The chair called for questions/comments from the public in support or in opposition to the request; there being none, the public portion of the hearing was closed.

A motion was made by Johnnie Mayo, Jr., seconded by James Davis, and unanimously carried, to approve the preliminary planned building group project on Bethlehem Road.

5. Zoning Review

5.1 Rezoning Request #13-03-23

At the request of the Chair, Will Deaton presented the request for rezoning submitted by Matthew McClure of Butterfields Butter, LLC, property owner, for the subject site located at the northeast quadrant of the intersection of Sherrod Street and the unimproved portion of Parrish Street, having tax parcel identification number 376904442800, totaling approximately 3.07 acres from R-6MFA to I-2. Currently, this property is zoned Medium-Density Multifamily Residential District (R-6MFA) and is being utilized for parking of semi-trailers [not permitted in this district], while a portion closest to Sherrod Street remains in a wooded natural state. The properties to the north, across the railroad, and to the east and south of the subject site are zoned R-6MFA; the properties contain detached single-family dwellings and duplexes or are undeveloped. To the west and southwest of the subject site are properties zoned Heavy Industrial (I-2) and Neighborhood Commercial (B-1); these parcels contain Butterfields Butter a food production facility, and vacant commercial buildings and warehouse, storage structures. Along Cokey Road are a mix of detached single-family dwellings, and neighborhood scale commercial buildings on properties zoned R-6MFA, B-1 and B-2 (Commercial Corridor District).

Mr. Deaton advised that since the adoption of the current comprehensive plan [2003], there has been one rezoning request approved by City Council in the immediate vicinity of the subject property. The property at 1301 Pitt Street was rezoned from I-2 to B-1 in January 2023.

Mr. Deaton advised that the <u>Together Tomorrow: Tier I Smart Growth Comprehensive Plan</u> identifies the subject site as a "Planned Infill Growth" area.

Mr. Deaton advised that the subject property (approximately 3.07 acres) is located near Cokey Road, a two lane, two-way, minor arterial with a practical capacity of 16,000 vehicles per day (VPD) and an average annual daily travel (AADT) of 3,100 VPD. The parcel has access to Tar River Transit, via the Rocky Mount East Line. The subject parcel is located along Sharrod Street, a local unpaved road. Sharrod Street currently does not have sidewalks or bicycles amenities. The I-2 zoning designation allows for heavy industrial uses such as, bakery production, industrial operations, accessory use, outside storage, etc. Such development on a three-acre parcel may generate some 80 trips per day, according to the Institute of Transportation Engineers "Trip Generation Manual." Based on the existing traffic volume, and the capacity of Cokey Road, the local system should be capable of serving the anticipated increase in traffic volume.

Mr. Deaton stated that it is recommended that Sherrod Street be paved upon site development, to accommodate for heavy truck traffic.

Mr. Deaton stated that this request will not result in an increase in the zoning intensity of the immediate area. The city's Land Development Code states "the purpose of the [heavy industrial] district is intended to provide a location for manufacturing and related industries that may, by nature, create nuisances. The intent is to preserve land for such industry in locations with access to major streets as designated on the arterial plan, as well as locations generally accessible to railroad transportation and to prohibit non-industrial uses. Due to the objectionable impacts that may be created in this district, special buffer or setback areas will be required."

Mr. Deaton advised that notification of this public hearing was mailed to adjoining property owners and a notification sign was posted on the subject property. The Planning Board agenda was posted on the City's website.

Mr. Deaton advised that staff recommends that the request be forwarded to the Rocky Mount City Council recommending approval on the basis that the proposed rezoning of the subject site will have minimal to no negative impact on the area and complies with the <u>Together Tomorrow: Tier 1 Smart Growth Comprehensive Plan.</u>

The chair called for questions/comments from the Board for staff.

Bruce Berry stated that it appeared that the rezoning request is being asked because they do have the tractor trailer trucks parked on the subject site currently and are trying to stay within the zoning requirements. Mr. Deaton explained that it appears they currently drive through the business property to park on the subject site.

The chair called for questions/comments from the Board for the applicant. Matthew McClure of Butterfields Butter, LLC, was available to answer any questions.

Mr. McClure confirmed that the information provided on the reason for rezoning was accurate and was happy to answer any further questions.

The chair called for questions/comments from the public in support or in opposition to the request; there was one.

Samantha Marine approached and stated that she has investment property in the area and was asking if this was just for parking. Mr. Sperati explained the rezoning process and stated that once a property is rezoned, the property owner can use the property in any way that is allowed for that zone per the City's Land Development Code. He stated that it does appear that the property owner in this case wants it rezoned to an I-2 so that the

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trailers can be parked there, but he can use it for any use that the City allows within the heavy industrial district. Mr. Berry stated that the Planning Board only makes recommendation to the City Council for approval and that nothing would go into effect immediately. Mr. Sperati advised Mrs. Marine that if she had other questions or concerns, she could reach out to city staff and/or attend the City Council Meeting when the case is heard.

There being no further questions the public portion of the meeting was closed.

<u>Board action:</u> A motion was made by Bruce Berry seconded by James Davis and carried unanimously to recommend approval to the Rocky Mount City Council of the request to rezone the parcel located at northeast quadrant of the intersection of Sherrod Street and the unimproved portion of Parrish Street [PIN 376904442800] on the basis that the proposed rezoning of the subject site will have minimal to no negative impact on the area and finds it in conformance with the <u>Together Tomorrow: Tier 1 Smart Growth Comprehensive Plan</u>.

6. Planning Review

There were no items for review.

7. Other

There were no items for review.

8. Items from the Planning Board

All members present formally introduced themselves.

9. Items from the Secretary

There were no items for review.

10. Adjournment (Next regular meeting: April 11, 2023)

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Rocky Mount Planning board
Will Deaton, Secretary



Requested Action: Preliminary Major Subdivision Plat Location: Hunter Hill Road [PIN 384113049237]

Existing Land Use:

Site Plan Data:

Applicable Regulations:

Cowner:

Undeveloped
+33.96 acres
LDC Sec. 1404.A
Betty L. Baker, et al

Applicant: Kevin Varnell; Stocks Engineering, PA

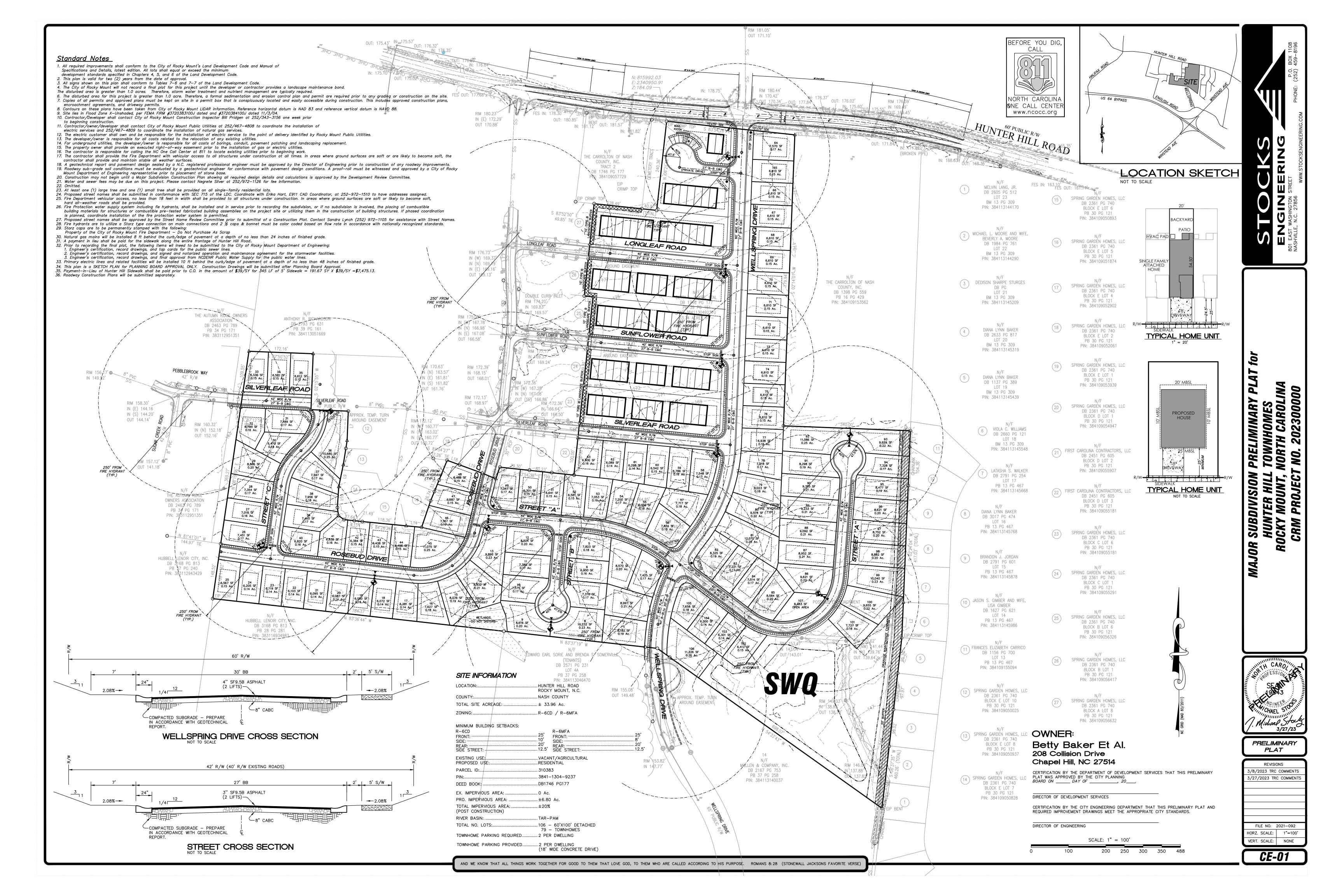
Prepared By: J. Michael Stocks, PE; Stocks Engineering, PA Case Manager: JoSeth Bocook, Planning Administrator

Voting Representatives: City Members

Recommendation:

City staff recommends approval of the amended construction planned building group on condition that the following comments are resolved:

- 1. <u>Planning</u>: Subsequent submission of a Planned Building Group site development plan will be required for the proposed townhomes.
- 2. <u>Traffic and Parking</u>: Illustrate the two left turn lanes at Hunter Hill & Wellspring/Sportsman that you all are adding in-lieu of a traffic impact analysis.
- 3. <u>Traffic and Parking</u>: Illustrate street cross-sections as graded for double-sided sidewalk with only one side actually being installed.
- 4. <u>Traffic and Parking</u>: A private street serving mail kiosk also serves nine townhomes; this along with its short block distance and perpendicular parking stalls will be allowed as long as it remains private.
- 5. <u>Traffic and Parking</u>: Roadway construction details shall be provided with subsequent construction plan review.
- 6. Fire: Install fire hydrant at Silverleaf and Wellington.



Requested Action: Construction Planned Building Group

Location: 940 Cokey Road

Existing Land Use: Undeveloped [Brownfield]

Site Plan Data: ± 1.57 acres

Applicable Regulations: LDC Sec. 712. D .3 Owner: City of Rocky Mount

Applicant: Glandon Forest Equity, LLC

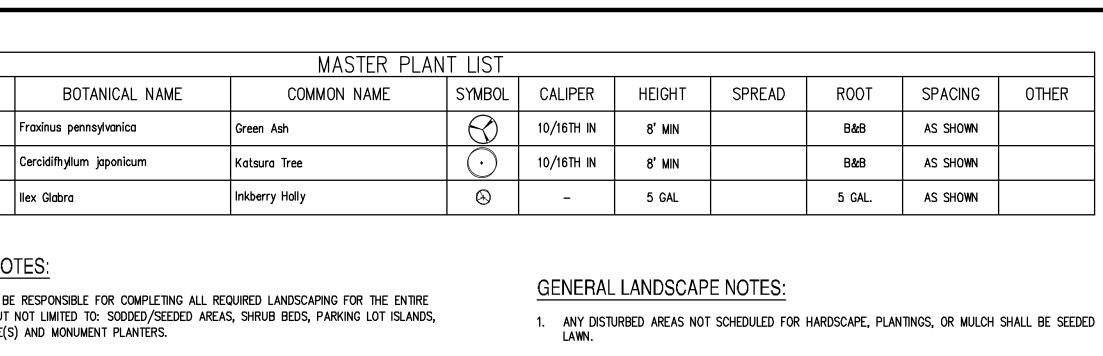
Prepared By: Brent Purdum, Bowman North Carolina Ltd. Case Manager: JoSeth Bocook, Planning Administrator

Voting Representatives: City Members

Recommendation: City staff recommends approval of the Construction Planned Building

Group. All comments from the Development Review Committee

have been resolved.



LANDSCAPING NOTES:

QUANTITY

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SYM/KEY

LARGE TREES

EVERGREEN

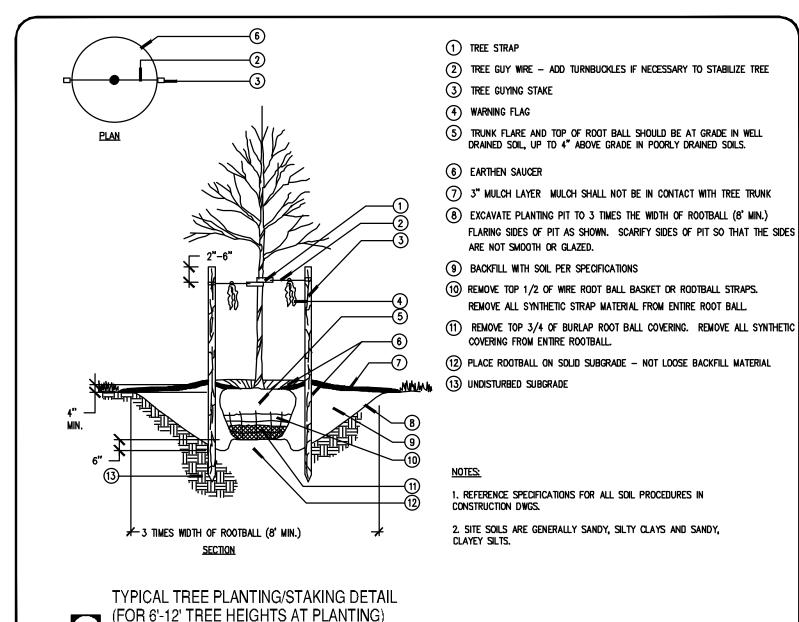
SHRUBS

- 1. CONTRACTOR SHALL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR COMPLETING ALL REQUIRED LANDSCAPING FOR THE ENTIRE SITE, TO INCLUDE BUT NOT LIMITED TO: SODDED/SEEDED AREAS, SHRUB BEDS, PARKING LOT ISLANDS, ROADSIDE SIGN BASE(S) AND MONUMENT PLANTERS.
- 2. CONTRACTOR SHALL COMPLY WITH ALL APPLICABLE CODES AND ORDINANCES REGARDING LANDSCAPING.
- 3. IT IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE CONTRACTOR TO ESTABLISH A HEALTHY STAND OF GRASS ON ALL SEEDED AREAS.
- 4. IN THE EVENT THAT PLANTING BEDS AND MULCH ARE REQUIRED, THE CONTRACTOR SHALL INSTALL BLACK FABRIC WEED BLOCK LANDSCAPE MESH UNDER THE MULCH TO PREVENT WEED GROWTH.
- 5. CONTRACTOR SHALL PROVIDE NATURAL TOPSOIL THAT IS FERTILE, FRIABLE, WITHOUT MIXTURE OF SUBSOIL MATERIALS, AND OBTAINED FROM A WELL DRAINED, AVAILABLE SITE. IT SHALL NOT CONTAIN SUBSTANCES WHICH MAY BE HARMFUL TO PLANT GROWTH. TOPSOIL SHALL BE SCREENED AND FREE FROM CLAY, LUMPS, STONES, ROOTS, PLANTS, OR SIMILAR SUBSTANCES 1" OR MORE IN DIAMETER, DEBRIS, OR OTHER OBJECTS WHICH MIGHT BE A HINDERANCE TO PLANTING OPERATIONS. TOPSOIL SHALL CONTAIN AT LEAST 4-6% ORGANIC MATTER BY WEIGHT AND HAVE A PH RANGE OF 5.5 TO 7.0.
- 6. CONTRACTOR SHALL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE WATERING AND THE MAINTENANCE OF ALL LANDSCAPED AREAS UNTIL THE LATER OF; (a) THIRTY (30) DAYS FOLLOWING THE PLANTING OF THE GRASS AND SHRUBS, OR (b) THE DATE THAT DOLLAR GENERAL OPENS FOR BUSINESS TO THE PUBLIC.

7. GENERAL CONTRACTOR IS TO CLEAN ENTIRE SITE OF ALL CONSTRUCTION DEBRIS AND RAKE ALL GRASS

- 8. PROVIDE LANDSCAPE PLANS TO DOLLAR GENERAL AND AS REQUIRED BY LOCAL JURISDICTION TO THE BLDG. DEPT. FOR REVIEW AND APPROVAL PRIOR TO START OF WORK.
- 9. ALL LANDSCAPING, TRESS, SHRUBS, ETC. SHALL NOT INTERFERE WITH THE VISIBILITY OF DOLLAR GENERAL SIGNAGE
- 10. CONTRACTOR TO VERIFY QUANTITIES PRIOR TO COMMENCING WORK.
- 11. OPEN AREAS WITHIN PLANTING BEDS SHALL BE MULCHED.

- 2. NO PLANT SUBSTITUTIONS ARE PERMITTED WITHOUT WRITTEN APPROVAL OF THE OWNERS
- 3. ALL PLANT AND BED LINE LOCATIONS SHALL BE STAKED IN THE FIELD AND APPROVED BY THE THE OWNER'S REPRESENTATIVE PRIOR TO INSTALLATION.
- 4. ALL PLANTINGS SHALL BE INSTALLED WITH THE SPECIFIED LAYER OF MULCH. REFERENCE DETAILS AND SPECIFICATIONS FOR DEPTH AND TYPE OF MULCH. ALL TREES AND SHRUBS SHALL BE PLANTED IN MULCH BEDS AND SHALL BE SEPARATED FROM TURF GRASS AREAS.
- 5. GRASS COVERAGE TO EXTEND FROM PROPERTY LINES TO BACK OF CITY SIDEWALKS AND/OR CURBS.
- 6. MINIMUM TREE SIZE AT PLANTING IS 2" CALIPER (FOR SINGLE STEM TREES). ALL MULTI-STEM PLANTS MUST BE TREE FORM, MAXIMUM 3 TO 5 TRUNKS, AND MINIMUM 8 FEET TALL.
- 7. ALL STRAPPING AND TOP 2/3 OF WIRE BASKET MUST BE CUT AWAY AND REMOVED FROM ROOT BALL PRIOR TO BACKFILLING PLANTING PIT. REMOVE TOP 1/3 OF THE BURLAP FROM ROOT BALL.
- 8. FOR NEW PLANTING AREAS, REMOVE ALL PAVEMENT, GRAVEL SUB-BASE AND CONSTRUCTION DEBRIS; REMOVE COMPACTED SOIL AND ADD 18" NEW TOPSOIL, OR TILL AND AMEND THE TOP 18" OF EXISTING SOIL TO MEET TOPSOIL/PLANTING MIX STANDARDS FOR TREES.
- 9. LARGE MATURING TREES MAY NOT BE PLANTED WHERE THERE ARE OVERHEAD DISTRIBUTION OR TRANSMISSION LINES. IF TREES CONFLICT WITH POWER LINES OR SIGNS, CALL URBAN FORESTER TO RESOLVE BEFORE PLANTING.
- 10. ADJUST TREE PLANTING LOCATIONS TO AVOID UNDERGROUND UTILITIES. PLANT 15' FROM ALL UNDERGROUND UTILITIES (SEWER AND STORM DRAINAGE, GAS, WATER, PHONE, AND ELECTRICAL LINES.)
- 11. ATTENTION LANDSCAPER: NOTIFY OWNER OF ANY SIGN, POWER LINE, OR OTHER CONFLICTS BEFORE PLANTING NEW TREES.



- (2) TREE GUY WIRE ADD TURNBUCKLES IF NECESSARY TO STABILIZE TREE
- (4) WARNING FLAG
- 5 TRUNK FLARE AND TOP OF ROOT BALL SHOULD BE AT GRADE IN WELL DRAINED SOIL, UP TO 4" ABOVE GRADE IN POORLY DRAINED SOILS.
- 7) 3" MULCH LAYER MULCH SHALL NOT BE IN CONTACT WITH TREE TRUNK (8) EXCAVATE PLANTING PIT TO 3 TIMES THE WIDTH OF ROOTBALL (8' MIN.) FLARING SIDES OF PIT AS SHOWN. SCARIFY SIDES OF PIT SO THAT THE SIDES ARE NOT SMOOTH OR GLAZED.
- 9) BACKFILL WITH SOIL PER SPECIFICATIONS
- (10) REMOVE TOP 1/2 OF WIRE ROOT BALL BASKET OR ROOTBALL STRAPS. REMOVE ALL SYNTHETIC STRAP MATERIAL FROM ENTIRE ROOT BALL.
- COVERING FROM ENTIRE ROOTBALL. (12) PLACE ROOTBALL ON SOLID SUBGRADE - NOT LOOSE BACKFILL MATERIAL
- (13) UNDISTURBED SUBGRADE
- . REFERENCE SPECIFICATIONS FOR ALL SOIL PROCEDURES IN 2. SITE SOILS ARE GENERALLY SANDY, SILTY CLAYS AND SANDY, CLAYEY SILTS.





3/28/23 4TH SUBMISSION DATE DESCRIPTION KXO BP/ML DESIGN DRAWN CHKD SCALE H: 1" = 30' JOB No. 220158-01-001 DATE DECEMBER 16, 202 FILE No.

PLAN STATUS 2/16/22 IST SUBMISSION 24/23 2ND SUBMISSION

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3/16/23 3RD SUBMISSION

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1 inch = 30 ft. SHEET

ROCKY MOUNT PLAN CERTIFICATE

Certification by the Director of Development Services and the Director of Public Works that this planned building group construction plan conforms to the preliminary plan approved by the Development Review Committee on ______ (date) and meets the standards set forth in the Land Development Code.

Director of Development Services

Director of Public Works

/ SS MANHOLE RIM: 113.47' INV.IN(SE): 109.67' INV.OUT(NW): 109.5

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COKEY ROAD STREETSCAPE

8 TREES PROVIDED

CSX RAILROAD

(EX. 130' R/W)

1 LARGE TREE PER 30 LF = 6 TREES REQUIRED

CITY OF ROCKY MOUNT LANDSCAPING NOTE:

IF COMPLIANCE IS MET, BOND IS RETURNED IN FULL.

INV.IN(SE): 108.24'

EXISTING NATURAL GAS-

2" IRON PIPE 0.30' BG

SERVICE - CITY OF ROCKY MOUNT

DOLLAR GENERAL

1" IRON PIP

RICO DANIELS

FAMILY RECREATION

AND RESOURCE CENTER

DB 1593, PG 39

PIN: 3759-85-2452

ZONING/USE: INDUSTRIAL

1" PINCHED IRON PIPE 0.20" BG

LARGE TREE PER 250 SF=16 TREES REQUIRED

1 SHRUB PER 35 SF=111 SHRUBS REQUIRED

REQUIRED LANDSCAPE AREA: 25,820 SF(15%)=3873 SF

CITY OF ROCKY MOUNT

DB 1500, PG 807

PIN: 3759-85-0221 ZONING/USE: INDUSTRIAL, VACANT

VEHICULAR LANDSCAPE-

16 TREES PROVIDED

132 SHRUBS PROVIDED

THE DEVELOPER OR CONTRACTOR MUST PROVIDE A LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE BOND IN THE AMOUNT OF

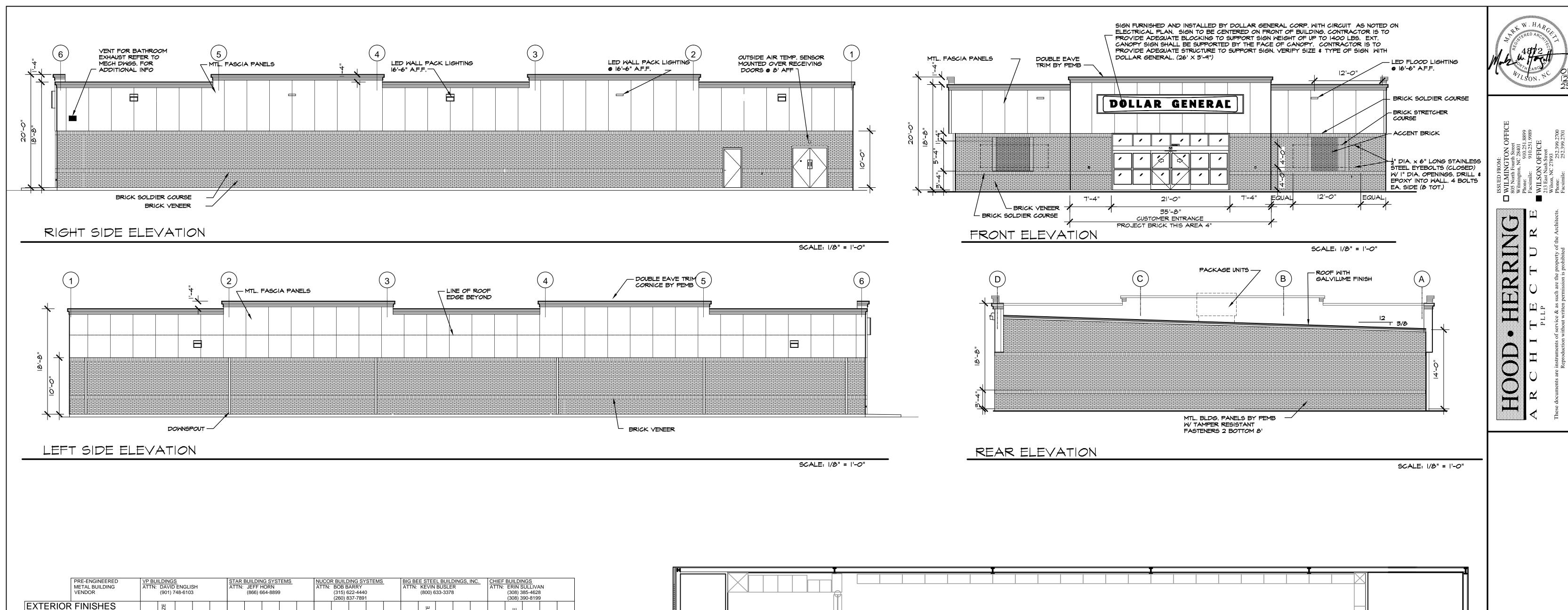
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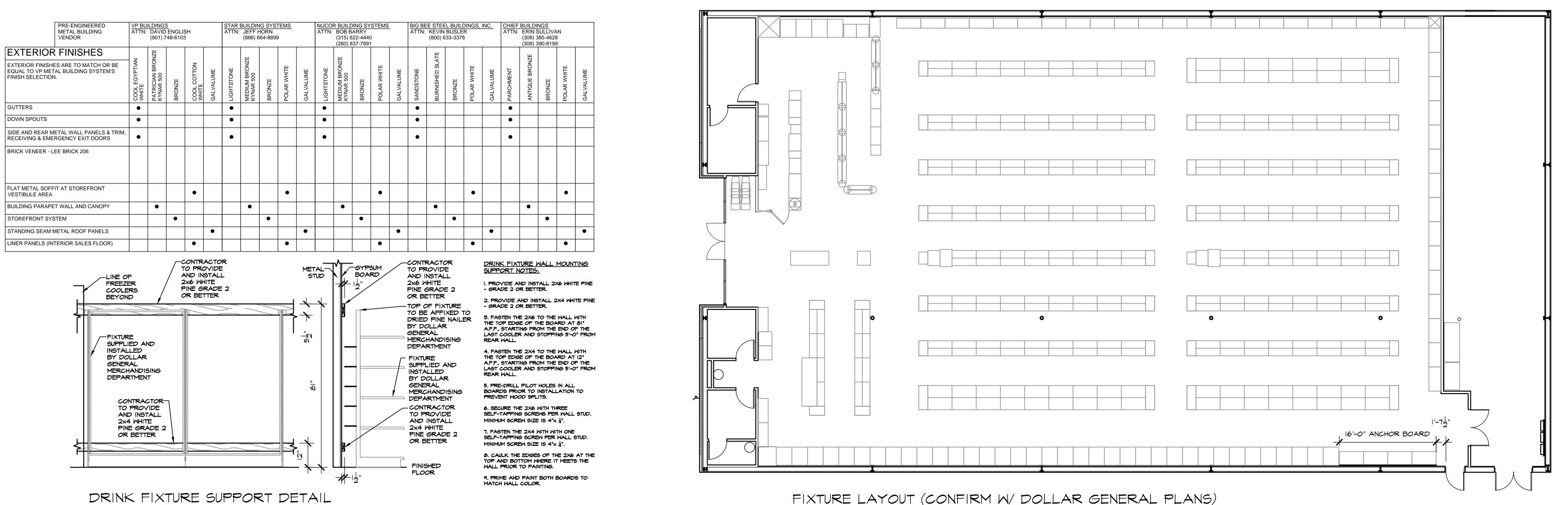
30% OF THE TOTAL COST OF REQUIRED VEGETATION FOR BUFFERS AND LANDSCAPING PRIOR TO THE

(FOR 6'-12' TREE HEIGHTS AT PLANTING)

NOT TO SCALE

GRAPHIC SCALE (IN FEET)





SCALE: 1/2" = 1'-0"

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DOLLAR STORE # 25019 COKEY ROAD

JOB NUMBER

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REVISIONS

SHEET NUMBER



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Site Data: ± 7.11 acres

Existing Land Use: Single-Family Dwelling Applicant: James D. Gailliard

Property Owner(s): James & Angela Gailliard

Case Manager: JoSeth Bocook, Planning Administrator

Voting Representatives: *City & Nash Members

ANALYSIS:

a) Land uses: Subject site and vicinity

The subject site consists of a single parcel having a deeded area of 7.11-acres located at 9121 West Mount Drive. Currently, the subject site contains a single-family detached dwelling. The property is located within Nash County's planning jurisdiction and is zoned as a Single- and Two-Family Residential District (R-30). The property owner has submitted a petition for non-contiguous annexation of the property; it is located approximately 0.6 miles west of the city's jurisdiction.

Most of the properties within the vicinity of the subject site contain detached single-family dwellings on property zoned Nash County R-30. There is a church about 0.1 mile west of the subject site.

b) Zoning history

There has been one zoning map amendment request approved within the immediate area of the subject site since the adoption of the 2003 <u>Together Tomorrow: Tier I Smart Growth</u> <u>Comprehensive Plan</u>. In 2010, property at 1317 West Mount Drive was rezoned from R-10 to O-ICD; an adjacent property containing a telecommunications facility was rezoned to O-I in 1976. A property at 1622 West Mount Drive was rezoned from County R-30 to R-6MFACD in 2000; the conditions limited multifamily development to 10 dwelling units per acre.

c) Conformance with Comprehensive Plan

The <u>Together Tomorrow: Tier I Smart Growth Comprehensive Plan</u> identifies the subject site as being in a "Planned Infill Growth Area" and "Undeveloped Area."

d) Transportation

9121 West Mount Drive is located on the south side of West Mount Drive, East of Halifax Road, and West of Beechwood Drive. West Mount Drive a minor arterial, with a practical capacity of 39,000 vehicles per day (VPD) and currently generates 3,800 average daily trips (AADT). Tar River Transit does not offer any bus service to this area, and there are currently no sidewalks or bicycle amenities on West Mount Drive.

The O-I2 District is a mix-use district that allows office, residential and limited business. If the property owners of 9121 West Mount Drive were to use this land for a restaurant or wedding

venue (as mentioned in the application), some 600 new trips per day, according to the Institute of Transportation Engineers Trip Generation Manual. Based on the existing traffic volume, and the capacity of West Mount Drive, the local system should be capable of serving the anticipated increase in traffic volume.

RECOMMENDATIONS: Obtain driveway permit from NCDOT for any additional driveways onto the subject properties. A traffic impact analysis will be required if the projected traffic volume exceeds 100 additional peak hour vehicles, or 1,000 new vehicle trips per day.

e) Community impact

The O-I2 district is considered a transitional zoning district— typically acting as a buffer between residential and commercial districts while maintaining opportunity for investment. The business and office uses permitted within the O-I2 district are intended to allow and fulfill service and convenience needs of the surrounding area. The relatively expansive size of the parcel in relation to others that have been developed in the vicinity of the site coupled with required landscape buffers between differing land uses should aid in mitigating any potential negative impacts from future use of the property.

f) Notice and public response

The applicant conducted a community meeting with area stakeholders; minutes from the meeting are enclosed.

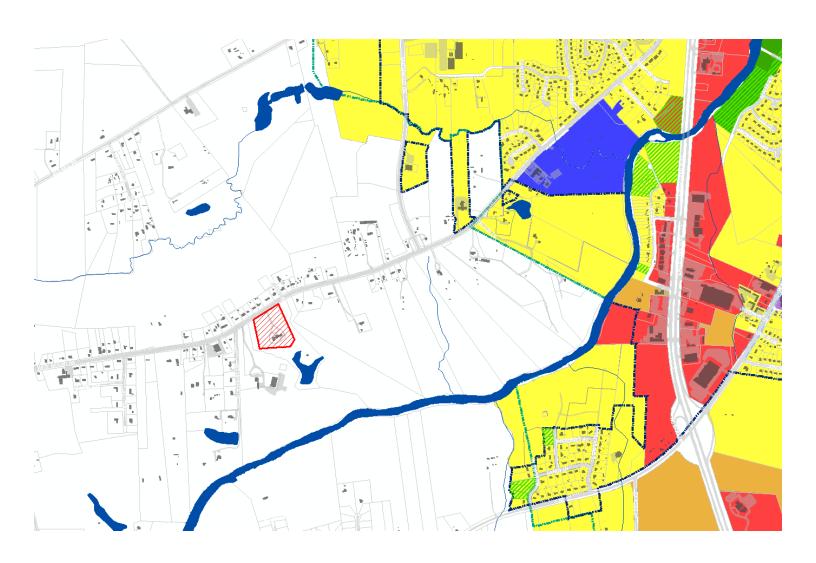
Notification of this public hearing was mailed to property owners within 250' of the subject site (see attachments). A notification sign was posted on the subject property and the Planning Board agenda is listed on the City's website.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the request be forwarded to the Rocky Mount City Council recommending approval on the basis that the proposed rezoning of the subject site will have minimal to no negative impact on the area and complies with the adopted <u>Together Tomorrow: Tier I Smart Growth Comprehensive Plan</u>.

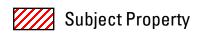
5.1 – Rezoning Request # 14-04-23Zoning Map

Nash County R-30 to O-I2 [Nash County]









5.1 – Rezoning Request # 14-04-23Aerial Image & Adjacent Owners Notice Map

Nash County R-30 to O-I2

[Nash County]









TYSON JULIAN C 9186 W MOUNT DR ROCKY MOUNT NC 27803

MELTON HOWARD GENE MARY S PO BOX 2294 ROCKY MOUNT NC 27802

COCKRELL DAVID SCOTT 9030 W MOUNT DR ROCKY MOUNT NC 27803 WORD TABERNACLE CHURCH 821 WORD PLAZA ROCKY MOUNT NC 27804-

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March 13, 2023

Subject:

Neighborhood Informational Meeting – Rezoning Request for the addition of property filed by James D. Gailliard to rezone approximately seven (7) acres located at 9121 West Mount Drive, Rocky Mount, North Carolina 27803 from R15 to O-I2.

March 23, 2023, 5:00pm

Word Tabernacle Church Chapel 821 Word Plaza Rocky Mount, NC 27804

Dear Property Owner:

We have filed the above-mentioned request to amend the zoning map with the City of Rocky Mount seeking to rezone an approximately seven (7)-acre site located at 9121 West Mount Drive – 373920904637.

In accordance with the requirements of the City of Rocky Mount's Land Development Code, we will hold an informational neighborhood meeting prior to the public hearing on this rezoning request for the purpose of discussing this proposal with nearby property owners and organizations. The City of Rocky Mount's records indicate that you are either a representative of a registered neighborhood organization or an owner of property that adjoins, is located across the street from, or is near the subject property.

Accordingly, we give you notice that representatives of the applicant will hold a community meeting regarding this rezoning petition on Thursday, March 23, 2023 at 5:00pm in the Chapel at Word Tabernacle Church, 821 Word Plaza, Rocky Mount, NC 27804. The applicant's representatives look forward to sharing this rezoning proposal with you and to answer any questions you may have with respect to this request.

In the meantime, should you have any questions or comments about this matter, please contact Sita Redding by calling 252-442-2925 x1016 or emailing sita.redding@wordtab.net.

Sincerely,

James D. Gailliard

cc: T.J. Walker, Councilman, (Ward 4)

Mayor C. Saunders Roberson

Will Deaton, Director of Development

Community Meeting Summary

The Neighborhood Information Meetings regarding the properties at 9121 West Mount Drive, and 9041 and 9053 West Mount Drive, Rocky Mount, North Carolina 27803, took place on Thursday, March 23, 2023, at 5:00pm and 5:30pm respectively. The purpose of both meetings was to discuss the rezoning of and the plans for the properties with owners and organizations, whom, according to the City of Rocky Mount, own property that adjoins, is located across the street from, or is near the subject property. These meetings were held in accordance with the requirements of the City of Rocky Mount's Land Development Code.

The 5:00pm meeting opened with a verbal review of the "Rules of Order" followed by a brief history about which the seven (7)-acre 9121 West Mount Drive property was acquired, both done by James D. Gailliard, Senior Pastor of Word Tabernacle Church. This history included that this property was acquired in 2011 which had an existing structure, followed by the intent to convert this structure into a venue for weddings, other special events and a restaurant. During the review of the 9121 West Mount property, the cemetery which was established in 2014 upon the death of his oldest son, Kyol, was discussed. This cemetery currently holds over 100 people, 80% of whom are not members of Word Tabernacle Church.

Pastor Gailliard opened the 5:30pm meeting with a review of the 9041 and 9053 West Mount Drive properties, totaling 59 acres, both of which are owned by Word Tabernacle Church, also acquired in 2011. There were two existing structures included with the purchase of these two properties about which Gailliard explained in detail the history of each building and for what each structure currently is and would be designated. Building 1, a commercial building, is an athletic facility and health center. Building 2, an unfinished 10 thousand sq. ft. home is planned to be a Retreat Center to attract missionaries, youth groups, and corporate retreats. The land is designated to becoming a baseball field; installations of volleyball, pickleball, and tennis courts; walking trails established; affordable housing built for younger citizens within the \$40 thousand dollar pay scale desiring to become homeowners with a special focus on teachers, EMT workers, and First Responders; and a Senior Living Facility for aging adults to have an affordable and safe environment.

The primary concerns, questions and comments voiced by the public were regarding noise, curfews, and alcohol as it pertained to the wedding venue and the baseball field. Some see the development of these properties as an abuse of privacy. There were concerns voiced about the presence of guns and teenagers wandering aimlessly, and how these concerns would be policed. Questions were posed about whether Section 8 housing would be established there

despite there being no mention of this during Pastor Gailliard's presentation, nor did he ever imply there would be.

The plans and vision for the properties were clearly and concisely shared. All attendees received a preliminary site plan which served as a visual tool for discussion.

Pastor Gailliard answered each question and acknowledged each comment, while maintaining order. Gailliard was challenged by one resident regarding non-profit versus for-profit, upon which he eloquently explained, "The delineation between non-profit and for-profit is that we are in the business of changing the lives of people in the Name of Jesus." When challenged about the noise and developing the land, he stated, "We have a track record in establishing stable, safe environments and we don't plan on ruining that track record. We've laid out a dream on paper and we want to do this in a way to make it more palliative for everyone. We are not holding this meeting to strong-arm the residents of this community." He continued, "We want to contribute to the neighborhood. We can be a good neighbor. We are good developers."

Of the 30 letters sent to current residents within the West Mount Community, approximately one-third attended. According to our sign-in sheets 76 people attended these Neighborhood Informational Meetings, some of whom are members of Word Tabernacle Church. The meeting was adjourned shortly after 6:15pm.

Attached are the following:

- Transcription, including the "Rules of Order"
- Attendance/Sign-In Sheets
- Preliminary Site Plan

Neighborhood Informational Meeting

Petitioners: James D. Gailliard/Word Tabernacle ChurchDate: March 23, 2023Meeting Location: Word Tabernacle Church, ChapelTime: 5:00pm/5:30pm

Rezoning Projects: R15 to O-I2/9121 West Mount Dr., Rocky Mount, NC 27803

R15 to O-I/9041 & 9053 West Mount Dr., Rocky Mount NC 27803

RULES OF ORDER

Both posted and read aloud at the start of the meeting.

- The purpose of this Neighborhood Informational Meeting is to receive comments and questions from the public related <u>only</u> to the specific subject of this meeting.
- This is **not** a time for debate.
- This is a time to pose questions and receive responses.
- Each speaker shall be limited to three (3) minutes.
- No speaker may speak more than once.
- Speakers may not yield time to another speaker.
- We have a reporting requirement, thusly notes will be recorded and our final report will be submitted to the Planning Department.

5:00PM Meeting

RE: 9121 West Mount Drive was purchased by Word Tabernacle Church April 6, 2011.

Intent of 9121: to convert it into a venue for weddings, other special events and a restaurant.

The following are responses to questions and comments:

The primary buildings are already built on the existing property

There are plans to build out a parking lot and commercial kitchen

Satellite annexation is non-continuous because it is not a part of the City of Rocky Mount.

The cemetery holds 125 people and was started in 2014 when Kyol (Pastor Gailliard's son) passed.

If a couple wants to book the venue and get an ABC permit for liquor that may happen down the line.

Primary use will be the venue. Restaurant will be opened to the community.

Probably a 10-million-dollar investment.

Kyle: this could guarantee an increase in property value (made in his comments); he further explained that through his experience as a wedding photographer that property values increase.

Question regarding weddings: Due diligence work on his part as a business owner and owners of the properties by Word Tabernacle Church because we'd keep the same standard across the board.

A question was posed about how Gailliard would manage noise. He stated we'd be governed by the same noise ordinances.

5:30PM MEETING

RE: 9041 & 9053 West Mount Drive

DISCUSSION OF GOALS: Existing properties and buildings

Cemetery still there; Plan was to have a larger cemetery but changed to a smaller.

Building 1:

- Initially designed to be a garage; One of the finest built commercial buildings around.
- Athletic uses for our church to support athletic events, healthy lifestyles.
- The church obtained the Certificate of Occupancy one to one and a half years ago.
- It is handicap accessible.

Building 2:

- Unfinished house 10K Sq ft property
- This property would be used as a Retreat Center to attract missionaries, youth groups, corporate retreats

Land:

- Baseball field, volleyball courts, tennis courts, pickleball courts, picnic area, etc.
- Benefit to community: this would be a shared use space
- Provide West Mount Facilities for walking, playing tennis, etc. for the community

Provide affordable housing

Examples: Teachers, first responders, EMS; earners of \$40k who cannot afford homes for themselves and families but would like to become homeowners. Young families, young people

Down from cemetery: Senior Living Facility Create an environment safe & affordable

These are all LONG-RANGE STRATEGIC GOALS FOR THE COMMUNITY

Q&A/COMMENTS:

Q: Will Word (Tabernacle Church) move?

A: No; however, there is space for Amphitheater for outdoor religious event considered a possibility in the event we enter another pandemic

Q: Weddings: Are they for anyone?

A: Yes.

Q: Alcohol?

A: Yes, could be.

Q: Rowdy crowd, is that on "y'all?"

A: The adjacent property owners are Word Tabernacle residents; we have a vested interest as. G: very difficult to answer "suppose" future answer

We have a track record in stable safe, environments and we don't plan on ruining that track record.

Q: (Outlaw) Public sewer before the build out?

A: We would not be able to without a two to three-acre sewer field; cannot do any housing without fixing waste water issues but a baseball field doesn't need a sewer.

No bedrooms have been added to the house.

Planning dept will come back based on the plans.

**NOTE: Although the Rules of Order were read and acknowledged at the time of sign-in and Pastor Gailliard read them aloud at the start of the meeting, Outlaw refused to follow the guidelines by having several outbursts, rebuttals and attempts in engaging in debates.

Additional Comment: (Outlaw) stated that this is totally inconsistent with the initial residential use of the property.

Kyle: The use of land over time, the need changes over time; county land changes

over time based on the people who want to develop it.

Seems some personal vendetta issues and motives beyond simply

developing land.

Georgia: I've lived in the community (inaudible amount of years)

She sees this as abuse of privacy and livelihood'

Why don't you live in part of your house and use the rest in the other part?

Gailliard: We've owned the property since 2011 so how many times have you have

We've been a very respectful and considerate neighbor.

Georgia: Who from the West Mount community is buried in your cemetery?

You have a tendency to say one thing and do another.

Gailliard: 59 of the acres is still owned by Word (Tabernacle Church)

William Joyner: "I respectfully ask that you put a house on your seven acres."

Gailliard: I thank you for your comment.

Comment (Leah, Member of WTC): Things changes, places change. Either you have progress or

you die; young people leave and never return and this is why

This facility will serve the community.

Gailliard addresses Cemetery Q: 100 bodies are buried in the community and 80% not

members of WTC

Charlie Daniels: Lives at back of Wood Duck house behind the tract.

Some very concerning to him; lots of traffic down the road and noise; cars turning around in people's front yard.

What about curfews, lights etc.?

He did not sign up for this when he bought the home.

Gailliard: Apologized and empathized about and with the cars turning

around in peoples' driveway because he, too, experiences

this as a resident of the West Mount Community

Gailliard: We've laid out a dream on paper; wants to do it in a way to

make it more palliative for everyone.

Not holding this meeting to strong-arm the residents of the

community.

Stanley R.: Lived their 50 years and seen nothing like this and he said he

has no reason to believe that as a Senior Pastor "y'all won't get rid of him" and then it will turn into a honkytonk then

what?

Inge Joyner: Reviewed the history of the property (who built and owned

prior to) then stated "you want to change it from residential

to commercial."

Gailliard: Technically it's O-I not commercial.

Inge Joyner: Facilities will it be free to Nash and Rocky Mount

communities?

Gailliard: We are not-for-profit. Inge Joyner: Churches are non-profit.

Gailliard: The delineation between non-profit and for-profit is we are

in the business of changing the lives of people in the Name of

Jesus.

Inge Joyner: Gun shots - she can count on one hand how many times she's

heard gunshots from the hunting club; this is a rural

community and we hunt and we are not dangerous and we are not a threat; we just want a peaceful community.

You can imagine the chaos and everything you're building is going to cause in the community. It will affect those who live

near the property.

Gailliard: I don't want this to be the final meeting. I think these

concerns can coexist and we can reach a palliative resolution.

Sandy Harper: I am a member and we do not intend to get rid of the Pastor.

This is God's doing and no one is going to stop it.

Amanda Rosco: Husband is a Navy vet, PTSD, multiple anxiety disorder and

we waited a long time to find a home in a quiet community to find peace. Concern is that peace is going to be wrecked. No one is going to enjoy their peace being wrecked. I made the choice to not buy in the city. We waited a long time to

find our home.

Gailliard: We want to contribute to the neighborhood.

We can be a good neighbor.

We are good developers, we have shown that we are.

Outlaw: I am not here as a commissioner; you keep addressing me as

commissioner! I am here as Wayne Outlaw!

Gailliard: Sir, I am only showing you respect by addressing you by your

title.

Outlaw: I have the rest of my comments here and if anyone would

like them, please see me and I will email them to you!

Elderly Gent: Lived there 65 years, I'm on the way up. I am not sure this is

a good thing or a bad thing. Hate to think that we've worked

so hard that it will be destroyed.

Sara Daniels: 1 mile & 1.5 trails seem to go right up Wood Duck Lane

where they live.

Gailliard: They do not, go up to buffer line of trees

Sara Daniels: There really is not a buffer of trees.

You mentioned low income housing. No section 8 housing?

Gailliard: No, affordable housing for teachers, sheriff's deputies EMS

workers, etc. and used his son who is a sheriff's deputy as an

example.

Sara Daniels: She asked about curfew and how will teenagers be controlled

from wandering.

Gailliard: We have a vested interest in making the residents of this

community happy.

The meeting was adjourned shortly after 6:00PM.

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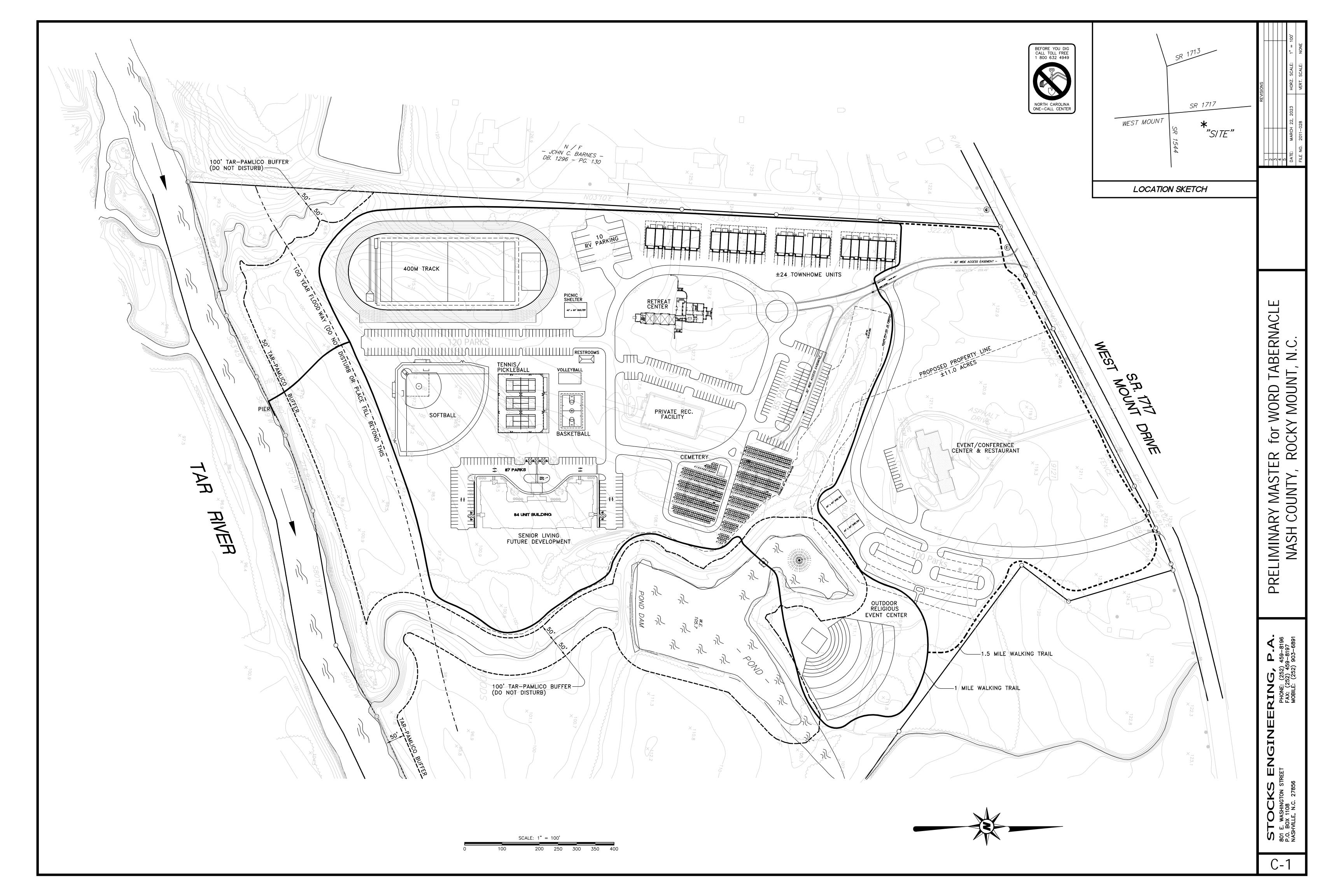
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Requested Action: Nash County R-30 to O-I

Location: 9041 and 9053 West Mount Drive

[PINs 373920809143, 373800991544, 373800906177, 373920908350]

Site Data: ± 59.41 acres

Existing Land Use: Open Space, Cemetery, Single-Family Dwelling, Health

Club/Gym Spa [Private Recreation]

Applicant: James D. Gailliard; Word Tabernacle Church

Property Owner(s): Word Tabernacle Church

Case Manager: JoSeth Bocook, Planning Administrator

Voting Representatives: *City & Nash Members

ANALYSIS:

a) Land uses: Subject site and vicinity

The subject site consists of four parcels having a deeded area of 59.41-acres addressed as 9041 and 9053 West Mount Drive. Currently, the subject site contains an unoccupied 9,042 square foot structure and private recreation club [PIN 373920809143], cemetery [PIN 373800906177], and undeveloped/open space [PIN 373800991544]. The property is located within Nash County's planning jurisdiction and is zoned as a Single- and Two-Family Residential District (R-30). FEMA Flood Insurance Rate Maps indicate the Tar River floodway and 100-year floodplain encroach on a majority of the subject site. The property owner has submitted a petition for non-contiguous annexation of the property; it is located approximately 0.6 miles west of the city's jurisdiction.

Most of the properties within the vicinity of the subject property contain detached single-family dwellings on property zoned Nash County R-30. There is a church about 0.1 mile west of the subject site.

b) Zoning history

There has been one zoning map amendment request approved within the immediate area of the subject site since the adoption of the 2003 <u>Together Tomorrow: Tier I Smart Growth</u> <u>Comprehensive Plan</u>. In 2010, property at 1317 West Mount Drive was rezoned from Low Density Residential District (R-10) to Conditional Office and Institutional District (O-ICD); an adjacent property containing a telecommunications facility was rezoned to O-I in 1976.

c) Conformance with Comprehensive Plan

The <u>Together Tomorrow: Tier I Smart Growth Comprehensive Plan</u> identifies the subject site as being in a "Planned Infill Growth Area" and "Undeveloped Area."

d) Transportation

The subject properties (approximately 59 acres) fall on the south side of West Mount Drive, a four lane, two-way street, with a two-way center turn lane. West Mount Drive is a minor arterial, with a practical capacity of 39,000 vehicles per day (VPD) and currently generates 3,800 average

daily trips (AADT). Tar River Transit does not offer any bus service to this area, and there are currently no sidewalks or bicycle amenities on West Mount Drive.

The O-I District is intended to provide for the conduct of general and professional office, medium or high-density housing and related activity. Such development on multiple parcels equaling 59 acres may generate some 9,500 new daily trips (according to the highest use in the Institute of Transportation Engineers Trip Generation Manual). Based on the existing traffic volume, and the capacity of West Mount Drive, the local system should be capable of serving the anticipated increase in traffic volume.

RECOMMENDATIONS: Obtain driveway permit from NCDOT for any additional driveways onto the subject property. A traffic impact analysis will be required if the projected traffic volume exceeds 100 additional peak hour vehicles, or 1,000 new vehicle trips per day.

e) Community impact

The Office and Institutional district is considered a transitional zoning district—typically acting as a buffer between residential and commercial districts while maintaining opportunity for investment. The relatively expansive size of the parcel in relation to others that have been developed in the vicinity of the site coupled with required landscape buffers between differing land uses should aid in mitigating any potential negative impacts from future use of the property. Also, the city's requirements relating to floodplain development and stormwater management should mitigate the impact of development on the surrounding environs.

f) Notice and public response

The applicant conducted a community meeting with area stakeholders; minutes from the meeting are enclosed.

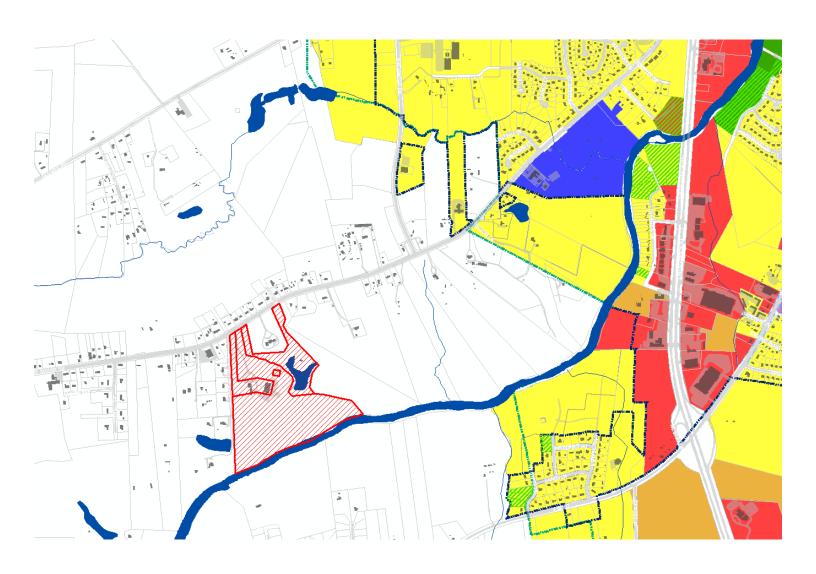
Notification of this public hearing was mailed to property owners within 250' of the subject site (see attachments). A notification sign was posted on the subject property and the Planning Board agenda is listed on the City's website.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the request be forwarded to the Rocky Mount City Council recommending approval on the basis that the proposed rezoning of the subject site will have minimal to no negative impact on the area and complies with the adopted <u>Together Tomorrow: Tier I Smart Growth Comprehensive Plan</u>.

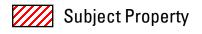
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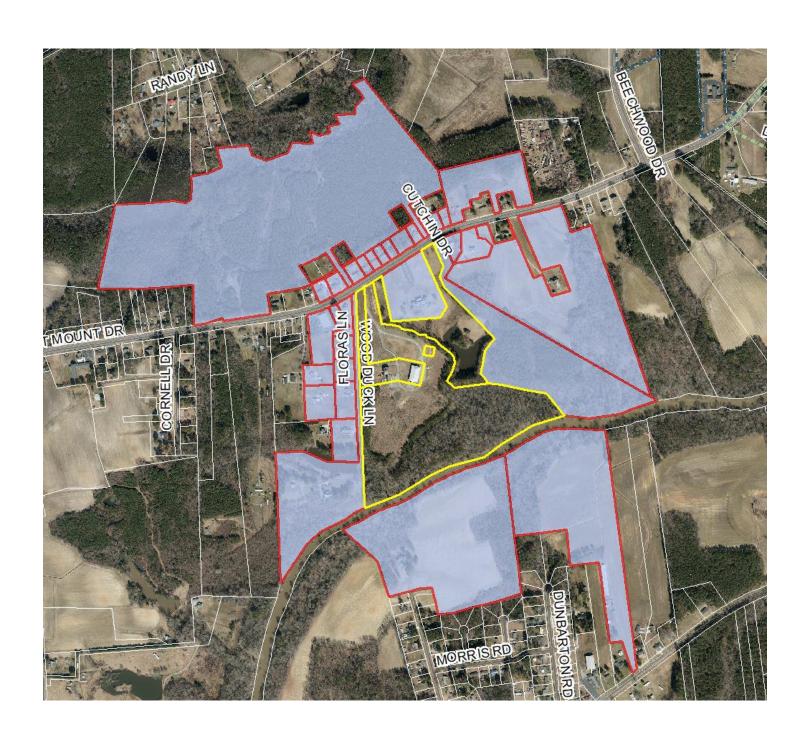


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Aerial Image & Adjacent Owners Notice Map

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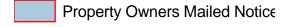
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March 13, 2023

Subject:

Neighborhood Informational Meeting – Rezoning Request for the addition of property filed by Word Tabernacle Church to rezone approximately 59 acres located at 9041 and 9053 West Mount Drive, Rocky Mount, North Carolina 27803 from R15 to O-I.

March 23, 2023, 5:30pm

Word Tabernacle Church

Chapel

821 Word Plaza

Rocky Mount, NC 27804

Dear Property Owner:

We have filed the above-mentioned request to amend the zoning map with the City of Rocky Mount seeking to rezone an approximately 59-acre site located at 9041 and 9053 West Mount Drive (PIN 3738 0099 1544); PIN 3739 2090 8350; PIN 3739 2080 9143; PIN 3738 0090 6177.

In accordance with the requirements of the City of Rocky Mount's Land Development Code, we will hold an informational neighborhood meeting prior to the public hearing on this rezoning request for the purpose of discussing this proposal with nearby property owners and organizations. The City of Rocky Mount's records indicate that you are either a representative of a registered neighborhood organization or an owner of property that adjoins, is located across the street from, or is near the subject property.

Accordingly, we give you notice that representatives of the applicant will hold a community meeting regarding this rezoning petition on Thursday, March 23, 2023 at 5:30pm in the Chapel at Word Tabernacle Church, 821 Word Plaza, Rocky Mount, NC 27804. The applicant's representatives look forward to sharing this rezoning proposal with you and to answer any questions you may have with respect to this request.

In the meantime, should you have any questions or comments about this matter, please contact Sita Redding by calling 252-442-2925 x1016 or emailing <u>sita.redding@wordtab.net</u>.

Sincerely,

James D. Gailliard

cc: T.J. Walker, Councilman (Ward 4)

Mayor C. Saunders Roberson

Will Deaton, Director of Development

Community Meeting Summary

The Neighborhood Information Meetings regarding the properties at 9121 West Mount Drive, and 9041 and 9053 West Mount Drive, Rocky Mount, North Carolina 27803, took place on Thursday, March 23, 2023, at 5:00pm and 5:30pm respectively. The purpose of both meetings was to discuss the rezoning of and the plans for the properties with owners and organizations, whom, according to the City of Rocky Mount, own property that adjoins, is located across the street from, or is near the subject property. These meetings were held in accordance with the requirements of the City of Rocky Mount's Land Development Code.

The 5:00pm meeting opened with a verbal review of the "Rules of Order" followed by a brief history about which the seven (7)-acre 9121 West Mount Drive property was acquired, both done by James D. Gailliard, Senior Pastor of Word Tabernacle Church. This history included that this property was acquired in 2011 which had an existing structure, followed by the intent to convert this structure into a venue for weddings, other special events and a restaurant. During the review of the 9121 West Mount property, the cemetery which was established in 2014 upon the death of his oldest son, Kyol, was discussed. This cemetery currently holds over 100 people, 80% of whom are not members of Word Tabernacle Church.

Pastor Gailliard opened the 5:30pm meeting with a review of the 9041 and 9053 West Mount Drive properties, totaling 59 acres, both of which are owned by Word Tabernacle Church, also acquired in 2011. There were two existing structures included with the purchase of these two properties about which Gailliard explained in detail the history of each building and for what each structure currently is and would be designated. Building 1, a commercial building, is an athletic facility and health center. Building 2, an unfinished 10 thousand sq. ft. home is planned to be a Retreat Center to attract missionaries, youth groups, and corporate retreats. The land is designated to becoming a baseball field; installations of volleyball, pickleball, and tennis courts; walking trails established; affordable housing built for younger citizens within the \$40 thousand dollar pay scale desiring to become homeowners with a special focus on teachers, EMT workers, and First Responders; and a Senior Living Facility for aging adults to have an affordable and safe environment.

The primary concerns, questions and comments voiced by the public were regarding noise, curfews, and alcohol as it pertained to the wedding venue and the baseball field. Some see the development of these properties as an abuse of privacy. There were concerns voiced about the presence of guns and teenagers wandering aimlessly, and how these concerns would be policed. Questions were posed about whether Section 8 housing would be established there

despite there being no mention of this during Pastor Gailliard's presentation, nor did he ever imply there would be.

The plans and vision for the properties were clearly and concisely shared. All attendees received a preliminary site plan which served as a visual tool for discussion.

Pastor Gailliard answered each question and acknowledged each comment, while maintaining order. Gailliard was challenged by one resident regarding non-profit versus for-profit, upon which he eloquently explained, "The delineation between non-profit and for-profit is that we are in the business of changing the lives of people in the Name of Jesus." When challenged about the noise and developing the land, he stated, "We have a track record in establishing stable, safe environments and we don't plan on ruining that track record. We've laid out a dream on paper and we want to do this in a way to make it more palliative for everyone. We are not holding this meeting to strong-arm the residents of this community." He continued, "We want to contribute to the neighborhood. We can be a good neighbor. We are good developers."

Of the 30 letters sent to current residents within the West Mount Community, approximately one-third attended. According to our sign-in sheets 76 people attended these Neighborhood Informational Meetings, some of whom are members of Word Tabernacle Church. The meeting was adjourned shortly after 6:15pm.

Attached are the following:

- Transcription, including the "Rules of Order"
- Attendance/Sign-In Sheets
- Preliminary Site Plan

Neighborhood Informational Meeting

Petitioners: James D. Gailliard/Word Tabernacle ChurchDate: March 23, 2023Meeting Location: Word Tabernacle Church, ChapelTime: 5:00pm/5:30pm

Rezoning Projects: R15 to O-I2/9121 West Mount Dr., Rocky Mount, NC 27803

R15 to O-I/9041 & 9053 West Mount Dr., Rocky Mount NC 27803

RULES OF ORDER

Both posted and read aloud at the start of the meeting.

- The purpose of this Neighborhood Informational Meeting is to receive comments and questions from the public related <u>only</u> to the specific subject of this meeting.
- This is **not** a time for debate.
- This is a time to pose questions and receive responses.
- Each speaker shall be limited to three (3) minutes.
- No speaker may speak more than once.
- Speakers may not yield time to another speaker.
- We have a reporting requirement, thusly notes will be recorded and our final report will be submitted to the Planning Department.

5:00PM Meeting

RE: 9121 West Mount Drive was purchased by Word Tabernacle Church April 6, 2011.

Intent of 9121: to convert it into a venue for weddings, other special events and a restaurant.

The following are responses to questions and comments:

The primary buildings are already built on the existing property

There are plans to build out a parking lot and commercial kitchen

Satellite annexation is non-continuous because it is not a part of the City of Rocky Mount.

The cemetery holds 125 people and was started in 2014 when Kyol (Pastor Gailliard's son) passed.

If a couple wants to book the venue and get an ABC permit for liquor that may happen down the line.

Primary use will be the venue. Restaurant will be opened to the community.

Probably a 10-million-dollar investment.

Kyle: this could guarantee an increase in property value (made in his comments); he further explained that through his experience as a wedding photographer that property values increase.

Question regarding weddings: Due diligence work on his part as a business owner and owners of the properties by Word Tabernacle Church because we'd keep the same standard across the board.

A question was posed about how Gailliard would manage noise. He stated we'd be governed by the same noise ordinances.

5:30PM MEETING

RE: 9041 & 9053 West Mount Drive

DISCUSSION OF GOALS: Existing properties and buildings

Cemetery still there; Plan was to have a larger cemetery but changed to a smaller.

Building 1:

- Initially designed to be a garage; One of the finest built commercial buildings around.
- Athletic uses for our church to support athletic events, healthy lifestyles.
- The church obtained the Certificate of Occupancy one to one and a half years ago.
- It is handicap accessible.

Building 2:

- Unfinished house 10K Sq ft property
- This property would be used as a Retreat Center to attract missionaries, youth groups, corporate retreats

Land:

- Baseball field, volleyball courts, tennis courts, pickleball courts, picnic area, etc.
- Benefit to community: this would be a shared use space
- Provide West Mount Facilities for walking, playing tennis, etc. for the community

Provide affordable housing

Examples: Teachers, first responders, EMS; earners of \$40k who cannot afford homes for themselves and families but would like to become homeowners. Young families, young people

Down from cemetery: Senior Living Facility Create an environment safe & affordable

These are all LONG-RANGE STRATEGIC GOALS FOR THE COMMUNITY

Q&A/COMMENTS:

Q: Will Word (Tabernacle Church) move?

A: No; however, there is space for Amphitheater for outdoor religious event considered a possibility in the event we enter another pandemic

Q: Weddings: Are they for anyone?

A: Yes.

Q: Alcohol?

A: Yes, could be.

Q: Rowdy crowd, is that on "y'all?"

A: The adjacent property owners are Word Tabernacle residents; we have a vested interest as. G: very difficult to answer "suppose" future answer

We have a track record in stable safe, environments and we don't plan on ruining that track record.

Q: (Outlaw) Public sewer before the build out?

A: We would not be able to without a two to three-acre sewer field; cannot do any housing without fixing waste water issues but a baseball field doesn't need a sewer.

No bedrooms have been added to the house.

Planning dept will come back based on the plans.

**NOTE: Although the Rules of Order were read and acknowledged at the time of sign-in and Pastor Gailliard read them aloud at the start of the meeting, Outlaw refused to follow the guidelines by having several outbursts, rebuttals and attempts in engaging in debates.

Additional Comment: (Outlaw) stated that this is totally inconsistent with the initial residential use of the property.

Kyle: The use of land over time, the need changes over time; county land changes

over time based on the people who want to develop it.

Seems some personal vendetta issues and motives beyond simply

developing land.

Georgia: I've lived in the community (inaudible amount of years)

She sees this as abuse of privacy and livelihood'

Why don't you live in part of your house and use the rest in the other part?

Gailliard: We've owned the property since 2011 so how many times have you have

We've been a very respectful and considerate neighbor.

Georgia: Who from the West Mount community is buried in your cemetery?

You have a tendency to say one thing and do another.

Gailliard: 59 of the acres is still owned by Word (Tabernacle Church)

William Joyner: "I respectfully ask that you put a house on your seven acres."

Gailliard: I thank you for your comment.

Comment (Leah, Member of WTC): Things changes, places change. Either you have progress or

you die; young people leave and never return and this is why

This facility will serve the community.

Gailliard addresses Cemetery Q: 100 bodies are buried in the community and 80% not

members of WTC

Charlie Daniels: Lives at back of Wood Duck house behind the tract.

Some very concerning to him; lots of traffic down the road and noise; cars turning around in people's front yard.

What about curfews, lights etc.?

He did not sign up for this when he bought the home.

Gailliard: Apologized and empathized about and with the cars turning

around in peoples' driveway because he, too, experiences

this as a resident of the West Mount Community

Gailliard: We've laid out a dream on paper; wants to do it in a way to

make it more palliative for everyone.

Not holding this meeting to strong-arm the residents of the

community.

Stanley R.: Lived their 50 years and seen nothing like this and he said he

has no reason to believe that as a Senior Pastor "y'all won't get rid of him" and then it will turn into a honkytonk then

what?

Inge Joyner: Reviewed the history of the property (who built and owned

prior to) then stated "you want to change it from residential

to commercial."

Gailliard: Technically it's O-I not commercial.

Inge Joyner: Facilities will it be free to Nash and Rocky Mount

communities?

Gailliard: We are not-for-profit. Inge Joyner: Churches are non-profit.

Gailliard: The delineation between non-profit and for-profit is we are

in the business of changing the lives of people in the Name of

Jesus.

Inge Joyner: Gun shots - she can count on one hand how many times she's

heard gunshots from the hunting club; this is a rural

community and we hunt and we are not dangerous and we are not a threat; we just want a peaceful community.

You can imagine the chaos and everything you're building is going to cause in the community. It will affect those who live

near the property.

Gailliard: I don't want this to be the final meeting. I think these

concerns can coexist and we can reach a palliative resolution.

Sandy Harper: I am a member and we do not intend to get rid of the Pastor.

This is God's doing and no one is going to stop it.

Amanda Rosco: Husband is a Navy vet, PTSD, multiple anxiety disorder and

we waited a long time to find a home in a quiet community to find peace. Concern is that peace is going to be wrecked. No one is going to enjoy their peace being wrecked. I made the choice to not buy in the city. We waited a long time to

find our home.

Gailliard: We want to contribute to the neighborhood.

We can be a good neighbor.

We are good developers, we have shown that we are.

Outlaw: I am not here as a commissioner; you keep addressing me as

commissioner! I am here as Wayne Outlaw!

Gailliard: Sir, I am only showing you respect by addressing you by your

title.

Outlaw: I have the rest of my comments here and if anyone would

like them, please see me and I will email them to you!

Elderly Gent: Lived there 65 years, I'm on the way up. I am not sure this is

a good thing or a bad thing. Hate to think that we've worked

so hard that it will be destroyed.

Sara Daniels: 1 mile & 1.5 trails seem to go right up Wood Duck Lane

where they live.

Gailliard: They do not, go up to buffer line of trees

Sara Daniels: There really is not a buffer of trees.

You mentioned low income housing. No section 8 housing?

Gailliard: No, affordable housing for teachers, sheriff's deputies EMS

workers, etc. and used his son who is a sheriff's deputy as an

example.

Sara Daniels: She asked about curfew and how will teenagers be controlled

from wandering.

Gailliard: We have a vested interest in making the residents of this

community happy.

The meeting was adjourned shortly after 6:00PM.

Neighborhood Informational Meeting Sign-In Sheet

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Requested Action: R-10 to R-6MFACD Location: 1930 Bethlehem Road

[PINs 373908986297, 373908988825U, 373908983727]

Site Data: ± 22.43 acres

Existing Land Use: Single-Family Dwelling, Undeveloped (Agricultural)
Applicant: DeLeon Parker, Jr.; Oak Level Ventures, LLC

Property Owner(s): Oak Level Ventures, LLC

Case Manager: JoSeth Bocook, Planning Administrator

Voting Representatives: City Members

CONDITIONS:

The following uses shall be permitted as proposed by the applicant:

- Accessory dwelling
- Accessory structure
- Accessory use
- Childcare home occupation
- Dwelling, single-family attached
- Dwelling, single-family detached
- Family care home
- Group home for developmentally disabled adults
- Health club/gym spa
- Home occupation
- Open/passive space
- Private recreation club or swimming club (s/BOA)
- Public recreation, such as community center building, parks, museum, playgrounds, and similar facilities operated on a nonprofit basis
- Residential Cluster Development
- Temporary use
- Yard sale

ANALYSIS:

a) Land uses: Subject site and vicinity

The subject site consists of three parcels having a deeded area of 22.43-acres located at 1930 Bethlehem Road. Currently, one parcel contains a single-family detached dwelling, while the two larger parcels are undeveloped and used for agriculture; the site is zoned Low Density Single-family Residential District (R-10). FEMA Flood Insurance Rate Maps indicate the Maple Creek floodway and 100-year floodplain encroach on roughly half of the subject site. Also, the National Wetlands Inventory maintained by the US Fish & Wildlife Service denotes that the northernmost portion of the subject site is a seasonally flooded broad-leaved deciduous forested nontidal wetland dominated by trees, shrubs, persistent emergents, emergent mosses or lichens.

Adjacent to west, are single-family detached dwellings [Maplewood Subdivision] zoned R-10. To the north, across Maple Creek, are single-family detach dwellings [Nob Hill Subdivision] zoned Very Low-Density Residential District (R-15). To the east, along Bethlehem Road are single-family detached dwellings and large undeveloped parcels zoned R-10. Across Bethlehem Road is the Spring Forest Subdivision containing single-family detached dwellings zoned R-10 and the Beth Eden Subdivision, zoned Conditional Medium-Density Multifamily Residential District (R-6MFACD) containing single-family detached dwellings.

b) Zoning history

There have not been any zoning map amendment requests approved within the immediate area of the subject site since the adoption of the 2003 <u>Together Tomorrow: Tier I Smart Growth Comprehensive Plan</u>.

The most recent request was approved in April 1999, where the Beth Eden Subdivision property was rezoned from R-10 to R-6MFACD with conditions limiting the permitted uses to two-family attached dwellings, and single-family dwellings. Historically, the residential subdivisions in the vicinity of the subject site were rezoned from Agricultural Residential (A-1) to their current designation in the 1980s and '90s.

c) Conformance with Comprehensive Plan

The <u>Together Tomorrow: Tier I Smart Growth Comprehensive Plan</u> identifies the subject site as being in a "Planned Infill Growth Area" and "Critical & Sensitive Area."

d) Transportation

The subject site (approximately 22.5 acres) is along Bethlehem Road, a two lane, two-way, minor arterial with a practical capacity of 11,500 vehicles per day (VPD) and an average annual daily travel (AADT) of 4,800 VPD. The subject property has access to Tar River Transit, via the NCC/Little Easonburg route (#8). Bethlehem Road currently does not have sidewalks or bicycles amenities.

The R-6MFA zoning district allows for medium density multifamily residential development. Rezoning these properties may result in the development of single-family homes, accessory dwellings, childcare home occupation, group homes, private recreation clubs, etc. Such development on a 22.5-acre site may generate some 650 new trips per day, according to the Institute of Transportation Engineers "Trip Generation Manual". Based on the existing traffic volume, and the capacity of Bethlehem Road, the local system should be capable of serving the anticipated increase in traffic volume.

RECOMMENDATIONS: Obtain driveway permit from NCDOT for any additional driveways onto the subject properties. A traffic impact analysis will be required if the projected traffic volume exceeds 100 additional peak hour vehicles, or 1000 new vehicle trips per day.

e) Community impact

This rezoning request will not result in an increase in zoning intensity of the immediate area. The R-6MFA district is intended to provide for urban residential development, which is designed to provide for medium density areas with related recreational facilities protected from intrusion of commercial and industrial activity. The conditions proposed by the applicant prohibit development of the more intensive land uses (e.g., multifamily dwellings). Also, the city's requirements relating to floodplain development, stormwater, and landscape buffers will mitigate the impact of development on the surrounding environs.

f) Notice and public response

The applicant conducted a community meeting with area stakeholders; minutes from the meeting are enclosed.

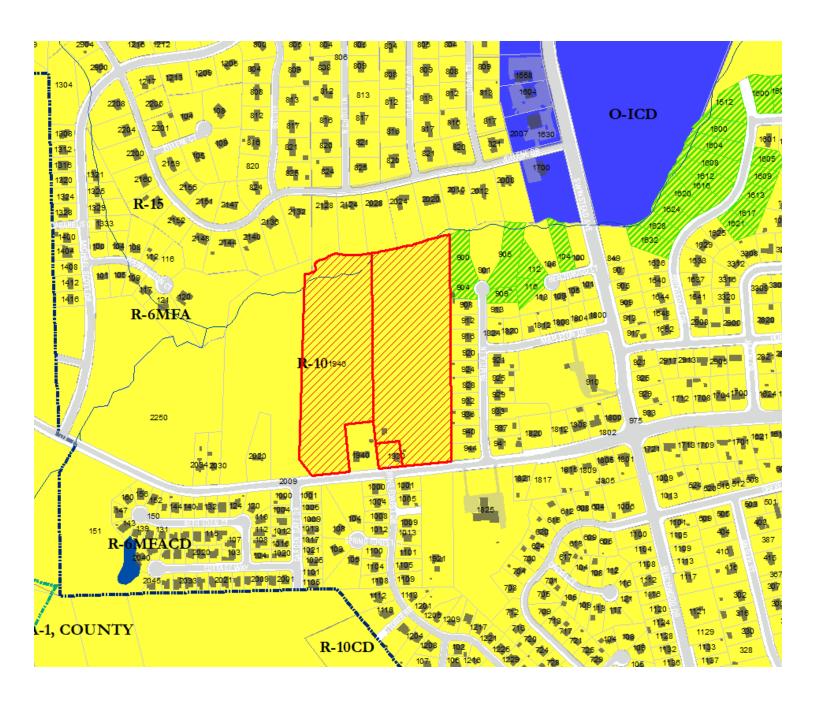
Notification of this public hearing was mailed to property owners within 250' of the subject site (see attachments). A notification sign was posted on the subject property and the Planning Board agenda is listed on the City's website.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the request be forwarded to the Rocky Mount City Council recommending approval on the basis that the proposed rezoning of the subject site will have minimal to no negative impact on the area and complies with the adopted <u>Together Tomorrow: Tier I Smart Growth Comprehensive Plan</u>.

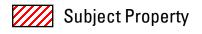
5.3 – Rezoning Request # 16-04-23 Zoning Map

R-10 to R-6MFACD [Ward 6]









5.3 – Rezoning Request # 16-04-23

Aerial Image & Adjacent Owners Notice Map

R-10 to R-6MFACD [Ward 6]









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Neighborhood Informational Meeting Report Petitioner: Oak Level Ventures, LLC

22.85 Acres at 1930 Bethelehem Road, Rocky Mount, NC 27803

This neighborhood informational meeting report is being filed with the Department of Development Services pursuant to the provisions of the City of Rocky Mount Land Development Code.

PERSONS AND ORGANIZATIONS CONTACTED WITH DATE AND EXPLANATION OF HOW CONTACTED:

A representative of the Petitioner mailed a written notice of the date, time, and location of the neighborhood informational meeting to the individuals and organizations set out on Exhibit A attached hereto by depositing such notice in the U.S. mail on March 20, 2023. A copy of the written notice is attached hereto as Exhibit B.

DATE, TIME AND LOCATION OF MEETING:

The neighborhood informational meeting was held on March 30, 2023 at 6:00 PM at 8277 West Mount Drive, Rocky Mount, NC 27803 (West Mount Ruritan Club).

PERSONS IN ATTENDANCE AT MEETING (see attached copy of sign-in sheet):

The neighborhood informational meeting was attended by those individuals identified on the sign-in sheet attached hereto as <u>Exhibit C.</u> The Petitioner was represented at the neighborhood informational meeting by DeLeon Parker, Jr., Attorney and J. Marvin Shearin, Manager of Oak Level Ventures, LLC.

SUMMARY OF PRESENTATION/DISCUSSION:

Minutes: The Petitioner's agent, DeLeon Parker, Jr., welcomed the attendees and introduced the Petitioner's team. Mr. Parker indicated that the Petitioner proposed to rezone an approximately 22.85 site (the "Site") at 1930 Bethlehem Road from the R-10 to R-6MFA. Mr. Parker explained the rezoning process in general and stated that the purpose of the meeting was to discuss the rezoning and the conditional site plan and respond to questions and concerns from nearby residents and property owners.

Mr. Parker and Mr. Shearin provided background information about the Petitioner's experience and general information about the proposed development upon rezoning. He then presented a preliminary site plan and discussed the proposed homes that would be constructed. Mr. Shearin showed proposed renderings of similar Town Homes that provided the desired look and aesthetic that he would like to achieve for the development. Mr. Parker and Mr. Shearin used the preliminary site plan and the rendering to discuss the proposed development and homesites.

General comments and questions from the public are attached hereto as Exhibit D.

Respectfully submitted, this 6th day of April, 2023.

DeLeon Parker, Jr., Attorney for Applicant

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Community Meeting - Owners to Notice - Exhibit A

JONES HANNAH V	120 WARRINGTON CT	ROCKY MOUNT NC 27803	
STROUD STEWART E	920 PAMELA LN	ROCKY MOUNT NC 27803	
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WONG PATRICIA & TAMMY L SIMMONS	1004 GARDEN GATE DR	ROCKY MOUNT NC 27803	
SLACK FAMILY TRUST 8/11/2020	404 ELLIOT LN	PITTSBURGH PA 15229	
STOKES ELTON BERNICE	2655 SUN VALLEY DR	WALDORF MD 20603	
ADKINS MICHELLE DENISE	1000 SPRING FOREST DR	ROCKY MOUNT NC 27804	
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ELEY MALISHA	120 BETH EDEN CT	ROCKY MOUNT NC 27803	
Tom Harris, Ward 6	801 Joshua Clay Dr	Rocky mount NC 27804	
C. Saunders Roberson, Jr., Mayor	130 S Franklin St	Rocky mount NC 27804	
Will Deaton, Director of DEvelopment	331 S Franklin St	ROCKY MOUNT NC 27804	

Oak Level Ventures, LLC c/o The Parker Law Office, PLLC 120 N. Franklin St, Suite E Rocky Mount, NC 27804

March 20, 2023

Subject: Neighborhood Informational Meeting – Rezoning Request for Oak Level Ventures, LLC

filed by The Parker Law Office, PLLC to rezone approximately 22.85 acres located at

1930 Bethlehem Road from R-10 to R-6 MFA.

Thursday March 30, 2023 at 6:00 PM

Meeting Location: West Mount Ruritan Club 8277 West Mount Drive, Rocky Mount, NC 27803

Dear Property Owner:

We have filed the above-mentioned request to amend the zoning map with the City of Rocky Mount seeking to rezone an approximately 22.85 acre site located at 1930 Bethlehem Road having Parcel Numbers 3739-0898-6297, 3739-0898-8825U, 3739-0898-3727.

In accordance with the requirements of the City of Rocky Mount's Land Development Code, we will hold an informational neighborhood meeting prior to the public hearing on this rezoning request for the purpose of discussing this proposal with nearby property owners and organizations. The City of Rocky Mount's records indicate that you are either a representative of a registered neighborhood organization or an owner of property that adjoins, is located across the street from, or is near the subject property.

Accordingly, we give you notice that representatives of the applicant will hold a community meeting regarding this rezoning petition on March 30, 2023 at 6:00 PM at West Mount Ruritan Club, 8277 West Mount Drive, Rocky Mount, NC 27803. The applicant's representatives look forward to sharing this rezoning proposal with you and to answer any questions you may have with respect to this request.

In the meantime, should you have any questions or comments about this matter, please contact DeLeon Parker, Jr. by calling 252-937-2255 ext. 202 or emailing parkerd@parkerlawpllc.com.

Sincerely,

DeLeon Parker, Jr. Attorney for Oak Level Ventures

cc: Tom Harris – Ward 6

Mayor C. Saunders Roberson

Will Deaton, Director of Development

Bethlehem Road Rezoning Community Meeting Attendance

ExhibitC

Letter Y/N	Printed Name	Address	Signature
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Bethlehem Road Rezoning Community Meeting Attendance

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Exhibit D Community Meeting Comments

Hirschberg asked if the road would need to be widened to accommodate turn lanes.

Slack asked if the homes would be for sale for owner occupied or rentals. Developer indicated it would likely be some of both, but lots would be sold.

Scott asked about the uses that are available in R-6MFA and what categories were removed in the application. Mr. Parker explained that the uses were limited to residential to allow either single family homes, or townhomes. No apartments are planned.

Matthews asked if there would be covenants. Developer indicated that there would be covenants.

Michaud asked how many entrances there would be to Bethlehem. Mr. Parker and Developer indicated that the preliminary sketch shows one which would likely be it unless required otherwise during development by planning or DOT. Also asked about whether they would get notices to meetings or future community meetings.

Michaud asked about fencing and whether privacy fencing would be required. Developer indicated uncertainty as to current planning requirements for fences between adjoining residential developments.

Scott asked about whether DOT would be widening the roads. He also asked if all homes would be brick as shown on the proposed renderings. Developer indicated they would likely do some brick or some non-brick, but those plans are not fully developed at this time.

Hirschberg asked about schedule. Mr. Parker explained about the time frame for rezoning. Mr. Shearin explained a potential timeline for development after zoning approval.

A question was asked about whether the HOA would cut the grass or owners. Developer indicated that HOA grass cutting was a possibility, but uncertain at this time.

Hodge lives on Pamela Lane and discusses the current traffic problem on Bethlehem Road. Speeding in the curves is an issue, as well as up and down Bethlehem Road.

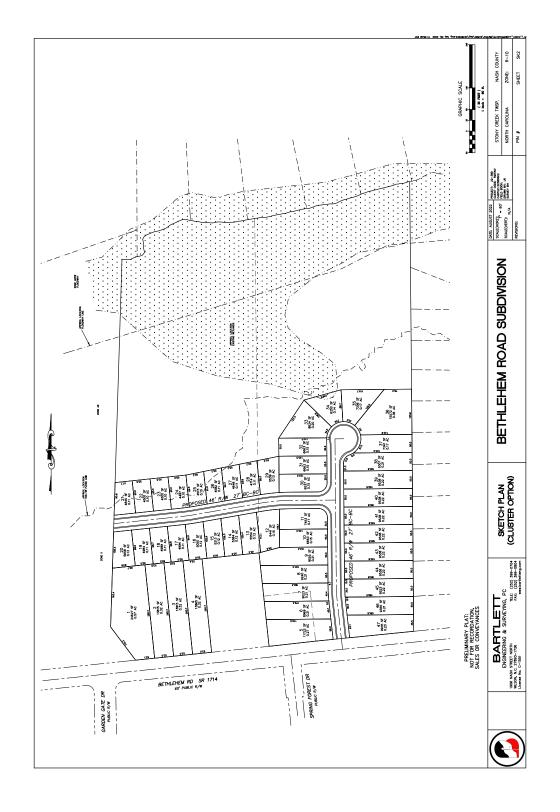
Several other members of the community voiced concerns about the speed of traffic on Bethlehem Road. The believed something should be done to slow traffic down on the road, and that the speed limit likely needed to be lowered. There was also concern about added traffic from the development and that in progress behind Beth Eden which they indicated would be feeding into Bethlehem.

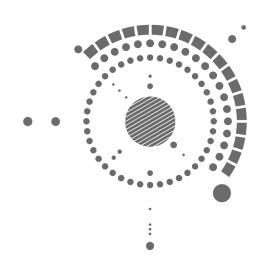
A general discussion was had about clustering at Beth Eden and whether homes would be clustered at this site.

Michaud asked about setback requirements and how far homes would be from the Pamela Lane properties.

Several members expressed that they preferred to see the existing trees and field. The developer discussed that the back portion of the property is in wetlands and would likely remain undisturbed. Development would be on the front portion as generally shown on the preliminary site plan.

Hines asked if these would be single family. Also asked about potential DOT road widening.





ATTENTION:

The next regular meeting of the City of Rocky Mount Planning Board is scheduled for Tuesday, May 9, 2023 at 5:30 p.m.

