

### KNOXVILLE/KNOX COUNTY METROPOLITAN PLANNING COMMISSION USE ON REVIEW REPORT

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		AGENDA DATE: 6/8/2006			
۲	APPLICANT:	SANDERS / PACE ARCHITECTURE			
	OWNER(S):	RONALD WATKINS			
	TAX ID NUMBER:	132 N A 20-24			
	JURISDICTION:	County Commission District 5			
►	LOCATION:	Northwest side of Linksvue Dr., west of Ebenezer Rd.			
APPX. SIZE OF TRACT: 1.54 acres		1.54 acres			
	SECTOR PLAN:	Southwest County			
	GROWTH POLICY PLAN:	Planned Growth Area			
	ACCESSIBILITY:	Access is via Linksvue Dr., a local street with a pavement width of 26' within a 50' right-of-way.			
	UTILITIES:	Water Source: First Knox Utility District			
		Sewer Source: First Knox Utility District			
►	ZONING:	PR (Planned Residential)			
►	EXISTING LAND USE:	Vacant residential lots			
PROPOSED USE: Attached residential condominium development		Attached residential condominium development			
	DENSITY PROPOSED:	8.45 du/ac			
	HISTORY OF ZONING:				
	SURROUNDING LAND USE AND ZONING:	North: Single family residences / PR residential			
		South: Golf course / OS-1 open space			
		East: Neighborhood commercial / SC-1 commercial			
		West: Single family residences / PR residential			
	NEIGHBORHOOD CONTEXT:	The site is located between the commercial existing development and the single family residences within Gettysvue. The site is zoned PR residential. A portion of the golf course is located on the south side of Linksvue Dr.			

#### **STAFF RECOMMENDATION:**

#### APPROVE the request for up to 13 attached residential condominiums as shown on the development plan subject to 12 conditions

- 1. Meeting all applicable requirements of the Knox County Zoning Ordinance
- 2. Meeting all applicable requirements of the Knox County Dept. of Engineering and Public Works
- 3. Redesigning the driveway entrance grades per the requirements of the Knox County Dept. of Engineering and Public Works

4. All retaining walls being designed by a structural engineer with review and approval by the Knox County Dept. of Engineering and Public Works prior to commencing any grading on this site

5. All retaining walls having a brick or stone veneer in keeping with the architectural character of the proposed residential units

- 6. The bank behind the rear retaining wall not exceeding a 2 to 1 slope.
- 7. Meeting all requirements of Knox County's Erosion and Stormwater Control Ordinance

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8. Prior to commencing any grading on this site, submit a species specific landscaping plan that addresses the issues raised in the comments section of this report

9. All landscaping to be installed within six months of the issuance of occupancy permits for this project, or posting a bond with the Knox County Dept, of Engineering and Public Works to guarantee such installation

Connection to sanitary sewer and meeting all other relevant requirements of the Knox County Health Dept.
Provision of a street name which is consistent with the Uniform Street Naming and Addressing System in Knox County (Ord. 91-1-102)

12. A revised site plan reflecting the conditions of approval must be submitted to MPC staff for review and approval prior to commencing any grading on this site

#### COMMENTS:

The applicant has submitted and amended plan for a portion of the previously approved Gettysvue development. The original for the site in question was previously approved for five lots. The applicant is proposing to combine these five lots and construct thirteen condominiums on this 1.54 acre site. Development of this site as proposed will result in a development density of 8.45 du/ac. The current zoning of the site is 1-3 du/ac. The existing overall development density of the Gettyvue development is 1.98 du/ac. Changing these five lots to permit 13 condominiums will only result in a small fractional increase in the overall density of the total development.

The site in question is steep. Development of this site for the proposed use will require extensive grading and the use of retaining walls. The grading plan presented to staff will not work. The proposed drive way entrance grade is to steep. A revised grading plan has been discussed with the project engineer, and staff is convinced that a plan can be prepared that will satisfy our concerns. Staff will require the applicant to design and construct and construct the retaining walls as an architectural element of the project. We will require the walls be clad with either brick or stone.

In order to minimize the visual impact of the proposed dwellings, staff will require that a species specific landscaping plan be developed that will provide a dense landscape screen between this project and the single family dwelling to the west. Due to the steep slope of the area between the rear retaining wall and the adjoining lots to the north, staff will recommend the area be heavily landscaped with low maintenance vegetation that will provide a visual screen from the homes overlooking this site.

This site is located between the existing neighborhood serving commercial that has been developed as a part of Gettyvue and existing single family dwellings in the development. Staff believes the proposed condominium development will serve as a transitional use between the commercial uses and the low density housing.

EFFECT OF THE PROPOSAL ON THE SUBJECT PROPERTY, SURROUNDING PROPERTY AND THE COMMUNITY AS A WHOLE

1. The proposed condominiums will have minimal impact on local services since water and sewer utilities are in place to serve this site.

2. The proposed condominium development is consistent in use and density with the zoning designation.

3. Any school age children living in this development are presently zoned to attend A.L. Lotts Elementary, West Valley Middle, and Bearden High Schools.

# CONFORMITY OF THE PROPOSAL TO CRITERIA ESTABLISHED BY THE KNOX COUNTY ZONING ORDINANCE

1. With the stated conditions, the proposed condominium development meets the standards for development within the PR (Planned Residential) zoning district and all other requirements of the Knox County Zoning Ordinance.

2. The proposed development is consistent with the general standards for uses permitted on review: The proposed development is consistent with the adopted plans and policies of the General Plan and Sector Plan. The use is in harmony with the general purpose and intent of the Zoning Ordinance. The use is compatible with the character of the neighborhood where it is proposed. The use will not significantly injure the value of adjacent property. The use will not draw additional traffic through residential area since the subdivision has direct access to a major arterial street.

CONFORMITY OF THE PROPOSAL TO ADOPTED PLANS

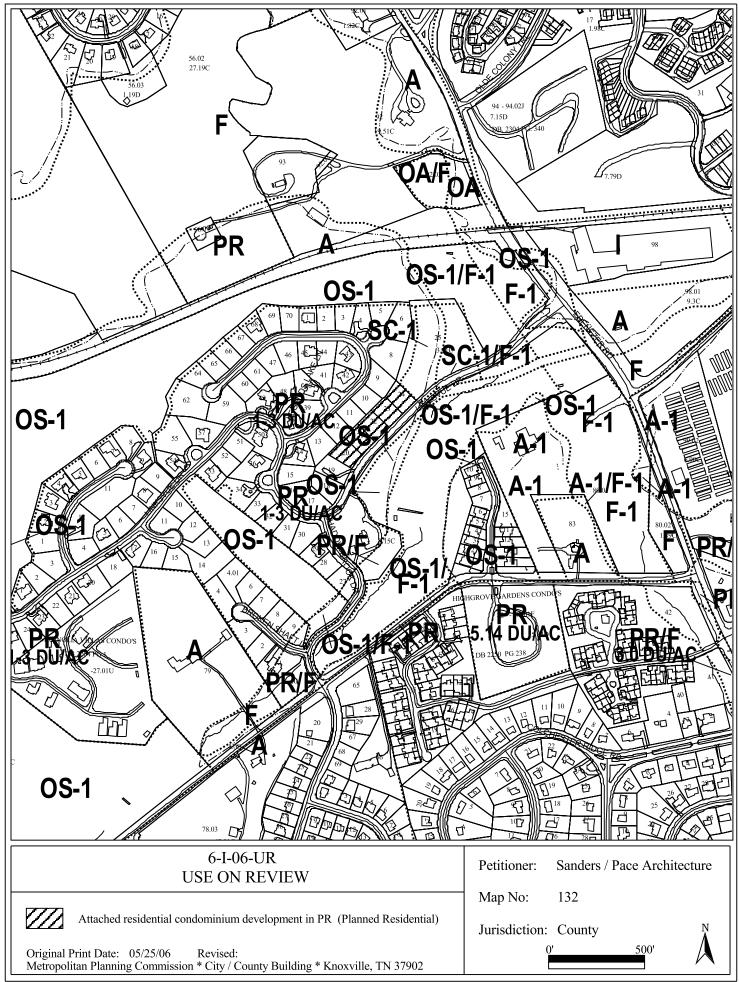
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1. The Southwest County Sector Plan identifies this property for low density residential use and slope protection. The PR zoning approved for this site will allow a density up to 1-3 du/ac. The development density for all of the previously approved development in this subdivision is 1.98 du/ac. The change of this site from 5 single family lots to 13 attached condominiums will only raise the overall development density fractionally. The proposed density of 8.45 du/ac for the proposed condominiums.

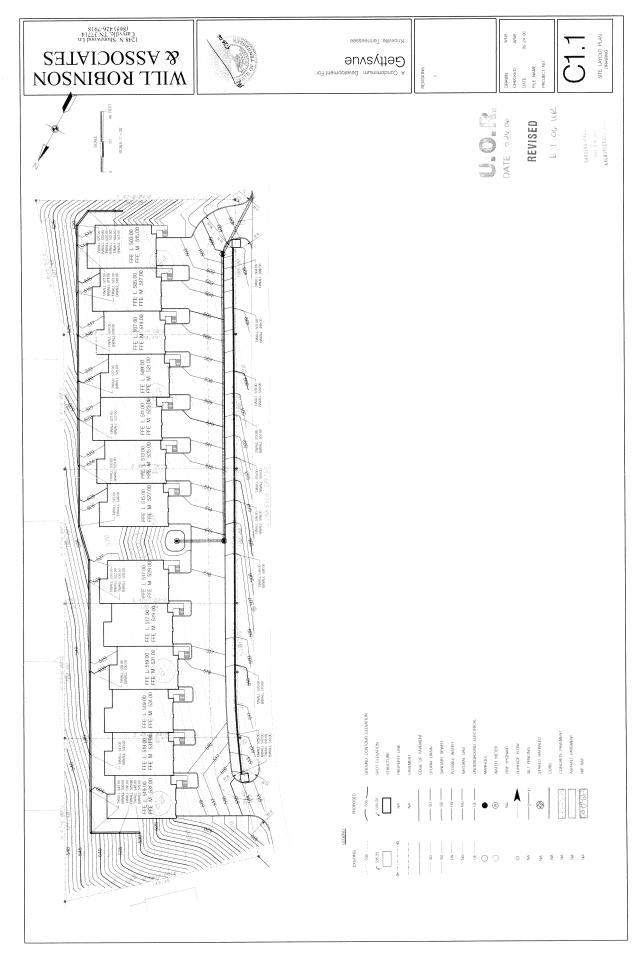
2. The site is located within the Planned Growth Area on the Knoxville-Knox County-Farragut Growth Policy Plan map.

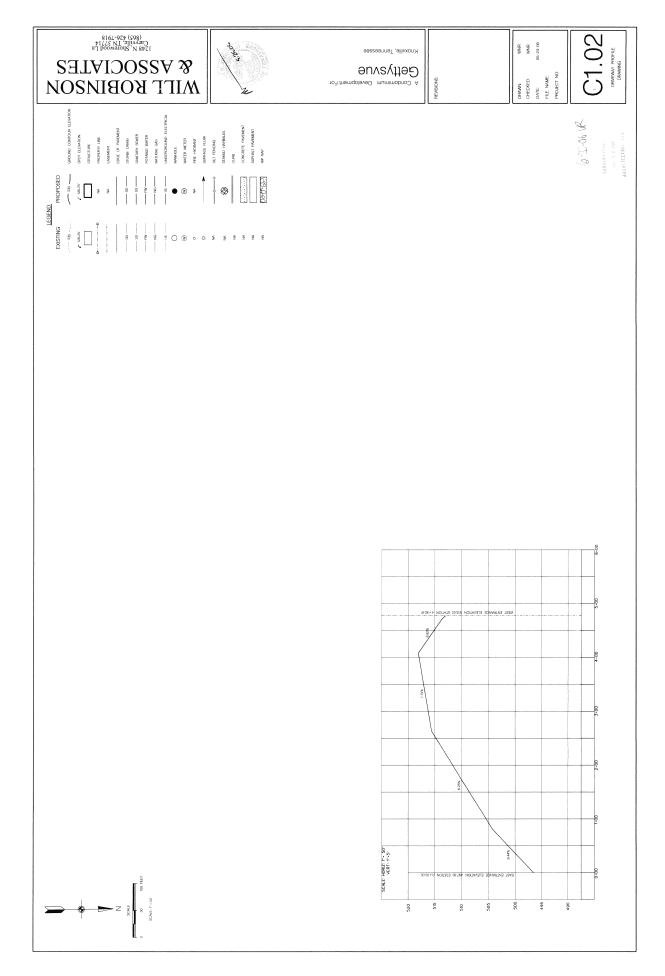
MPC's approval or denial of this request is final, unless the action is appealed to the Knox County Board of Zoning Appeals. The date of the Knox County Board of Zoning Appeals hearing will depend on when the appeal application is filed. Appellants have 30 days to appeal an MPC decision in the County.

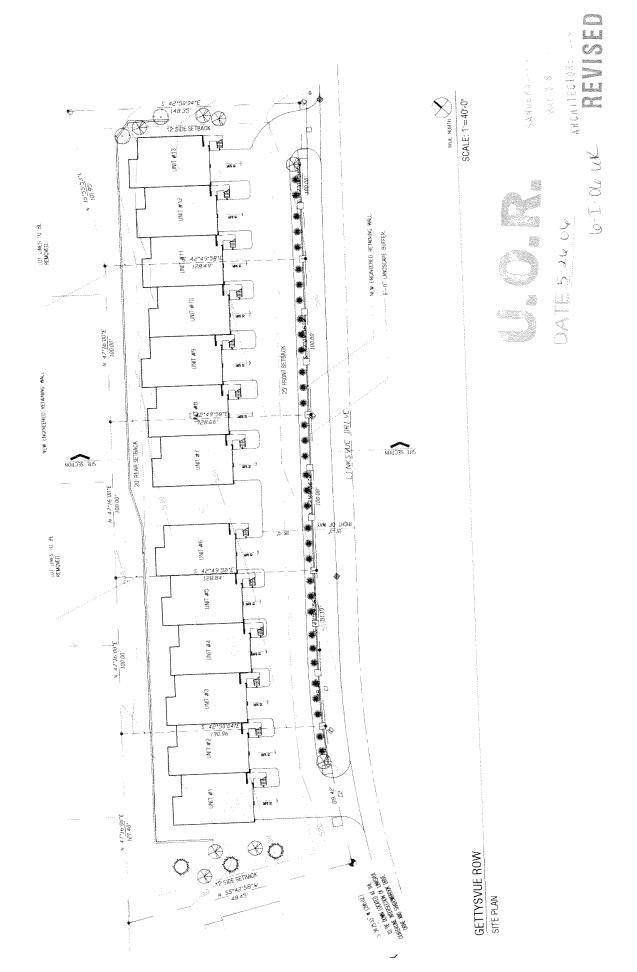
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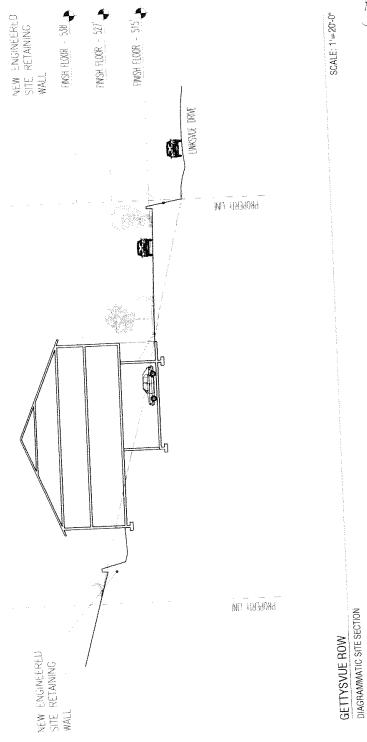




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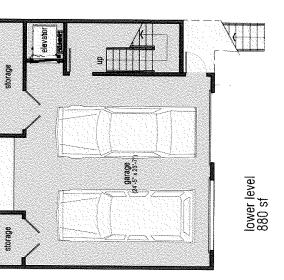


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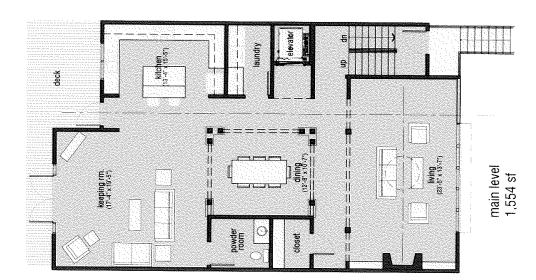


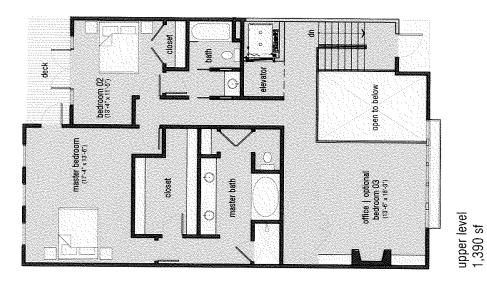


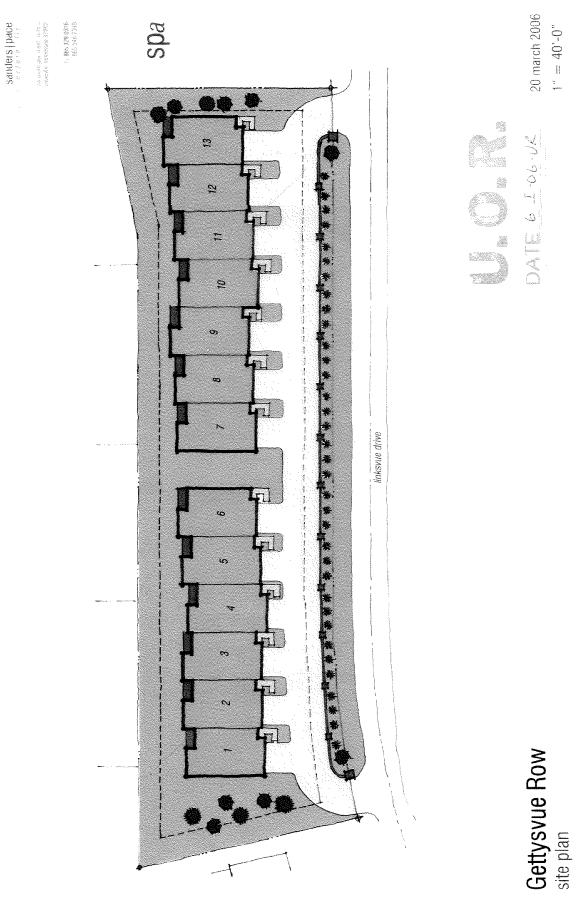




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