

## STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

## - APPROVE $O$ (Office) one year plan designation on parcels 8, 9, $10 \& 11$. Deny $O$ (Office) one year plan

 designation on parcel 7.Office use of parcels 8-11 are compatible with the scale and intensity of the surrounding land uses and adds to the office transition between commercial uses to the south and residential uses to the north. The West City One Year Plan proposes low density residential for all parcels included in this request. If parcel 7 is excluded from this request, the office designation would evenly match up to the general commercial land use designation located to the east of these properties across Rocky Hill Rd.

## - APPROVE 0-1 (Office, Medical \& Related Services) zoning on parcels 8, 9, 10 \& 11. Deny O-1 (Office Medical \& Related Services) zoning on parcel 7.

O-1 zoning is compatible with adjacent shopping center zoning as well as the office zoning and uses to the south on the same side of Rocky Hill Rd. By excluding parcel 7, the office zoning would evenly match up to the shopping center zoning located across Rocky Hill Rd. It is in staff's opinion that allowing parcel 7 to be rezonec to office, will create further intrusion into the residential character of the neighborhood.

## COMMENTS:

The applicant originally requested that parcels 8 and 9 be rezoned to $0-1$. After postponing this item, the applicant revised this request to include 3 additional parcels ( $7,10 \& 11$ ). The revised request now establishes a continuous office zoning pattern from S. Northshore Dr. whereas the original request excluded parcels 10 and 11, which would have left a pocket of R-1 zoned property.

## NEED AND JUSTIFICATION FOR THE PROPOSAL

1. These parcels are located in an area which is in transition to non-residential uses. Other residential properties to the south on the west side of Rocky Hill Rd. have been rezoned for office use.
2. The rezoning and One Year Plan amendment would allow office uses to be located directly across from the existing shopping center on Rocky Hill Rd.
3. O-1 zoning will permit the use of the existing residences as offices, which will maintain the same scale of development as found on surrounding properties.

EFFECTS OF THE PROPOSAL

1. This change of zoning would not adversely impact traffic flow on this street, which already has school, office and commercial traffic.
2. Public water and sewer are also available to the site.
3. O-1 zoning is consistent with surrounding development and zoning and will not negatively impact surrounding properties. Directly across Rocky Hill Rd. to the east is an existing shopping center. This zoning change will provide a transition between commercial development to the south and the shopping center uses to the east, from the residential uses further north on Rocky Hill Rd.
4. As the existing residences are converted into offices, the boundary between the residential and office zones should be screened with a continuous vegetative buffer found in the Type A Landscape Guidelines (see attached guidelines). This buffer will help to preserve the character of the residential neighborhood and screen any inappropriate office uses.

## CONFORMITY OF THE PROPOSAL TO ADOPTED PLANS

1. Office use of these properties continues to establish an office transition zone and is an extension of the mixed use proposal by the West City Sector Plan.
2. It is anticipated that additional requests for changes from residential to office uses will occur along this street in the future; however, it is in staff's opinion that these properties should be the last to be rezoned to 0-1.

If approved, this item will be forwarded to Knoxville City Council for action on $5 / 8 / 2007$ and $5 / 22 / 2007$. If denied, MPC's action is final, unless the action to deny is appealed to Knoxville City Council. The date of the appeal hearing will depend on when the appeal application is filed. Appellants have 15 days to appeal an MPC decision in the City.



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Mr. Ken Pruitt
City County Bldg., Suite 403
Knoxville, TN 37902
RE: 1223 Rocky Hill Road

Dear Mr. Pxuitt:
Per instructions from Mr. David Harbin we are informing you that my wife and I would like to rezone the above referenced property, from R-1 to 0-1 Mr Harbin mentioned plan Amendment 1-F07-PA and rezoning number 1-M07-R7. Please let us know if there is anything else we need to do in order to be added to the March agenda.

Regards,


David Leckie

February 20, 2007
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## Mr Ken Pruitt

City County Bldg, Suite 403
Knoxville, TN 37902
RE: 1305 Rock Hill Rd.

Dear Mr. Pruitt:
Per instructions from Mr. David Harbin we are informing you that my wife and I would like to rezone the above referenced property, from R-1 to 0-1. Mr. Harbin mentioned plan amendment 1-F07-PA and rezoning number 1-M07.R7. Please let us know if there is anything else we need to do in order to be added to the March agenda.

Kind Regards,

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Mr Ken Pruitt
City County Bldg, Suite 403
Knoxville, TN 37919
RE: 1309 Rocky Hill Rd
Parcel ID 133EB011
Dear Mr Pruitt,
Per instructions of Mr David Harbin, we are informing you that my wife and I would like to rezone the above referenced property from R-1 to O-1. Mr Harbin mentioned plan amendment $1-$ F07-PA and rezoning number 1-M07-R7. Please let us know if there is anything else we need to do in order to be added to the appropriate agenda.

Kind regards,

Billy Johnson


