

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

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> AGENDA DATE: 6/14/2007

WOODALL PROPERTIES,LLC APPLICANT:

OWNER(S):

TAX ID NUMBER: 103 112.03 & 112.06

JURISDICTION: County Commission District 6

LOCATION: Southeast side of Award Winning Wy., South of Hardin Valley Rd

APPX. SIZE OF TRACT: 11.12 acres

SECTOR PLAN: Northwest County **GROWTH POLICY PLAN:** Planned Growth Area

ACCESSIBILITY: Access is via Award Winning Wy., a private joint permanent easement with a

pavement width of 25' within a 50' wide right-of-way

UTILITIES: Water Source: West Knox Utility District

> Sewer Source: West Knox Utility District

ZONING: BP (Business and Technology) / TO (Technology Overlay)

EXISTING LAND USE: Office building and vacant land

PROPOSED USE: Office park development

HISTORY OF ZONING: The southern portion of the site was zoned BP (Business & Technology

Park) in February 2007. The remainder of the site has been zoned BP for

many years

SURROUNDING LAND

USE AND ZONING:

North: Developing commercial site / PC commercial

Detached residential subdivision / RA residential South:

Developing commercial site / PC commercial & OB office East:

West: Vacant land / PR residential

NEIGHBORHOOD CONTEXT: The site is located in the developing Hardin Valley Corridor. Property in the

area is zoned PC & BP commercial, OB office and PR & RA residential.

ESTIMATED STUDENT YIELD: 0 (public and private school children, ages 5-18 years)

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

► APPROVE the request for up to 110,000 square feet of office space in 8 buildings as shown on the development plan subject to 12 conditions:

1. Meeting all applicable requirements of the Knox County Zoning Ordinance

2. All buildings meeting the required setbacks as established by the Tenn. Technology Corridor Development Authority and/or the Knox county Zoning ordinance, whichever is greater

3. Obtaining the needed variances from the Knox County Board of Zoning and Appeals regarding the number and/or size of parking spaces

4. Provision of a revised plan that shows all lighting on the site will be directed away from the adjoining residentially zoned areas

5. Provision of a Type A landscape buffer (see attached) along the southern and western boundary of the site

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- 6. A separate use on review request will be required for all signs within the project
- 7. The grade of the proposed driveway or the extension of Award Winning Way not exceeding 15%. Prior to commencing any grading on the site provide MPC staff with a profile drawing that shows compliance with this requirement
- 8. Provision of a proposed cross-section drawing that begins at the southern boundary of the site and extends through buildings 4 and 7 to the northern boundary of the site for review and approval by the MPC staff
- 9. Meeting all applicable requirements and obtaining all required permits from the Tenn. Dept. of Environment & Conservation
- 10. Obtaining the required Certificate of Appropriateness from the Tenn. Technology Corridor Development Authority prior to commencing any grading on this site
- 11. All landscaping to be installed within 6 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
- 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 applicants are proposing an office park development that will contain eight new buildings. The development will occupy 11.12 acres and contain approximately 117,000 square feet of office space. The site was recently rezoned to BP (Business & Technology Park). Since the site is located within the Tennessee Technology Corridor, TO (Technology Overlay) zoning also governs the development of this site.

Since the TO (Technology Overlay) zone governs this site, the applicants will need to obtain approval of the development plan of the office park from the Tennessee Technology Corridor Development Authority (TTCDA).

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

- 1. The proposed office park will have minimal impact on local services. All utilities are readily available to the site.
- 2. Traffic capacity exists to support this project due to the recent improvements to Hardin Valley Road
- 3. The proposed use is consistent in use and intensity with the zoning and development in the area.
- 4. Storm drainage will be directed into the existing drainage ways on this site. Stormwater detention, grading and drainage plans will be required that meet the Knox County's regulations.

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

- 1. With the recommended conditions, the proposed office park development meets the standards for development within the BP (Business & Technology Park) zone and all other requirements of the Zoning Ordinance.
- 2. The proposed development is consistent with the general standards for uses permitted on review:
- A. The proposed development is consistent with the adopted plans and policies of the General Plan and Sector Plan. The Northwest County Sector Plan as amended proposes commercial uses for this site.
- B. The use is in harmony with the general purpose and intent of the Zoning Ordinance. The proposed development complies with all the height, bulk and area requirements of the Knox County Zoning Ordinance.
- C. The use is compatible with the character of the neighborhood where it is proposed.
- D. The use will not significantly injure the value of adjacent property.
- E. The use will not draw additional non-residential traffic through residential areas. Hardin Valley Rd. is classified as a minor arterial street. With that classification, it is expected to move traffic to and through the area.

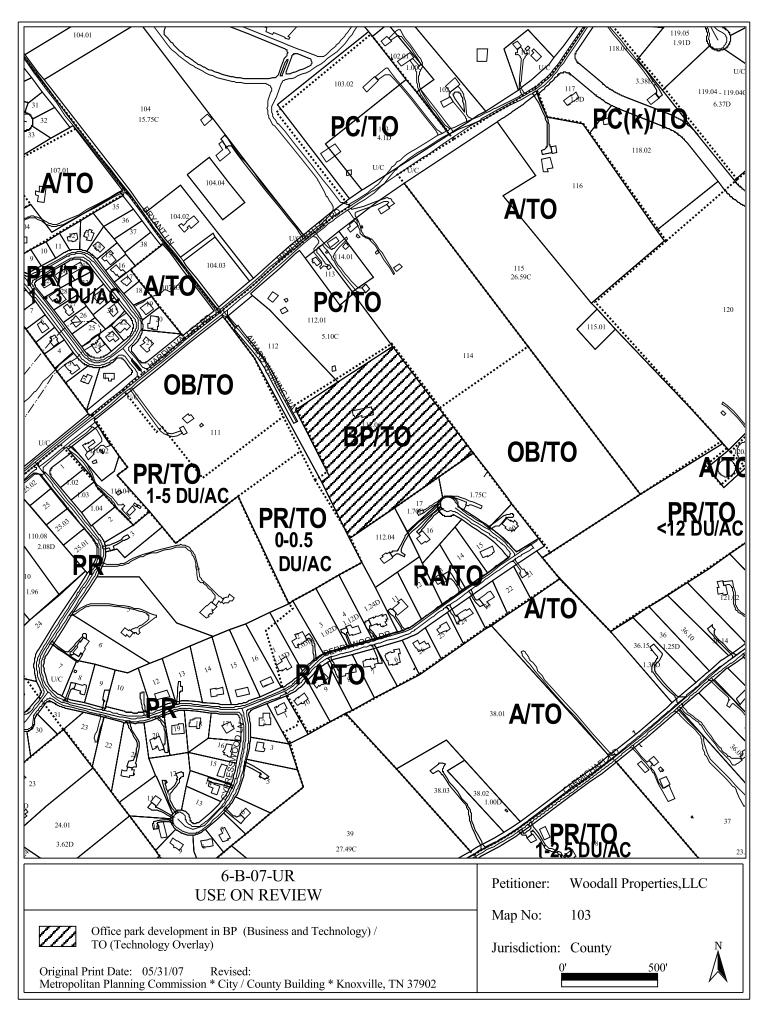
CONFORMITY OF THE PROPOSAL TO ADOPTED PLANS

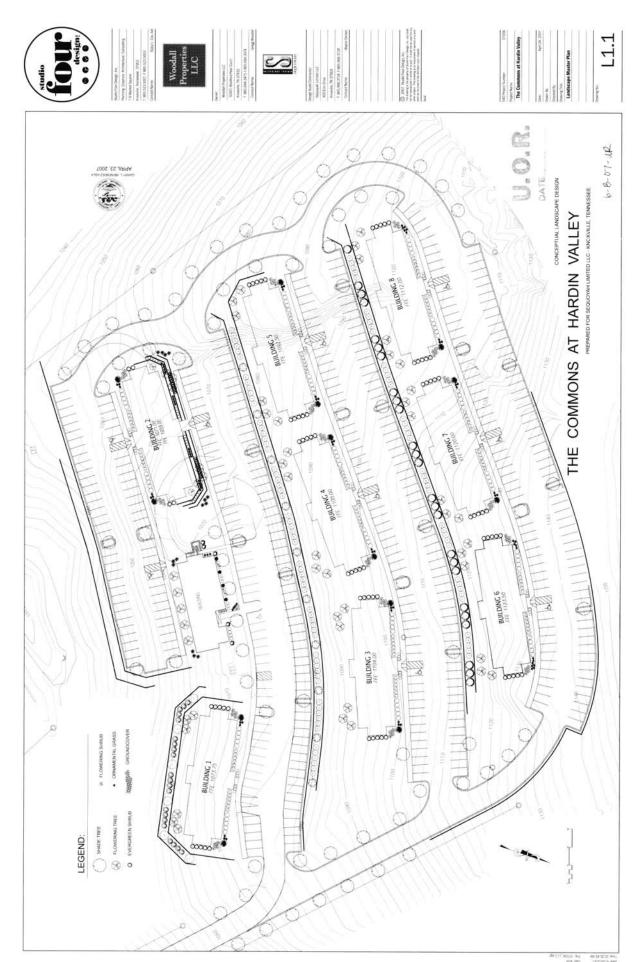
- 1. The Northwest County Sector Plan identifies this property for Commercial use.
- 2. The site is identified as being within the Planned Growth area on the Knoxville-Knox County-Farragut Growth Policy Plan

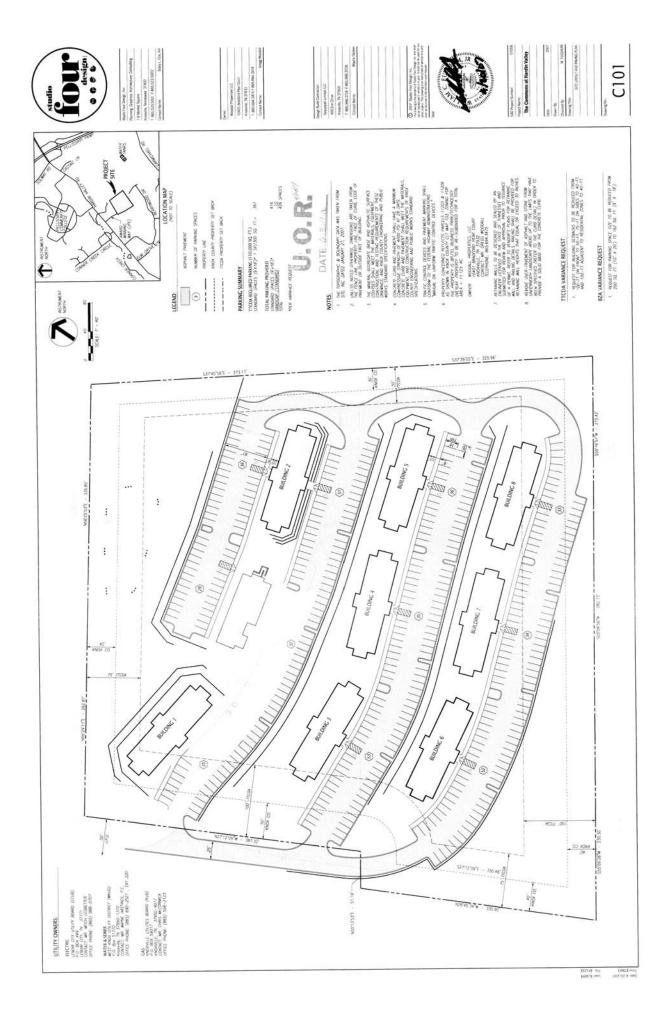
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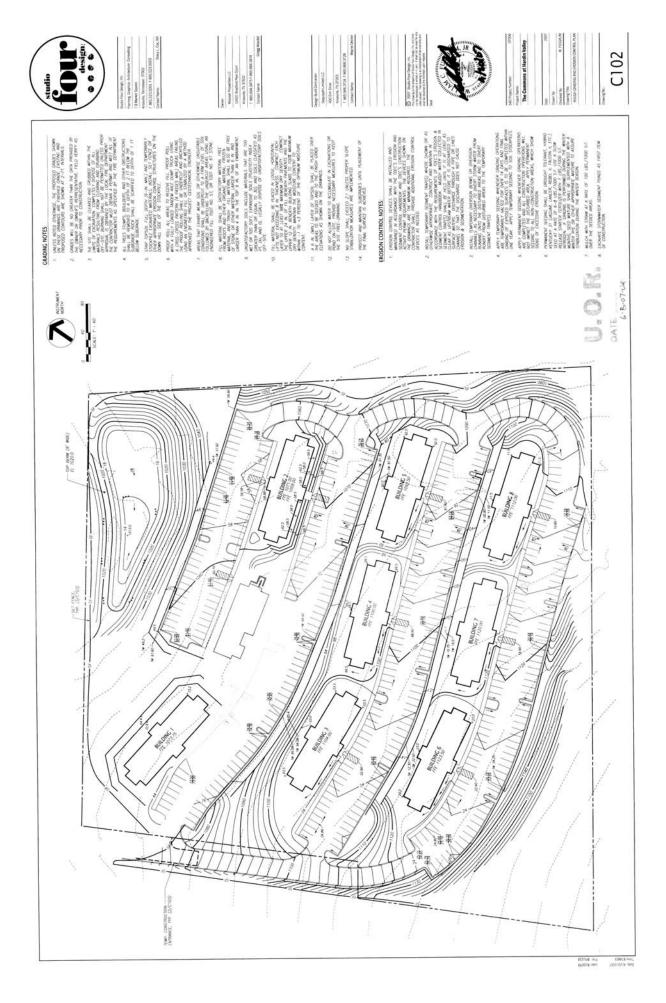
MPC's approval or denial of this request is final, unless the action is appealed to the Knox County Board of Zoning Appeals. The date of the Knox County Board of Zoning Appeals hearing will depend on when the appeal application is filed. Appellants have 30 days to appeal an MPC decision in the County.

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DESIGN

GUIDELINES LANDSCAPE SCREENING

Type "A" Screen: Dense

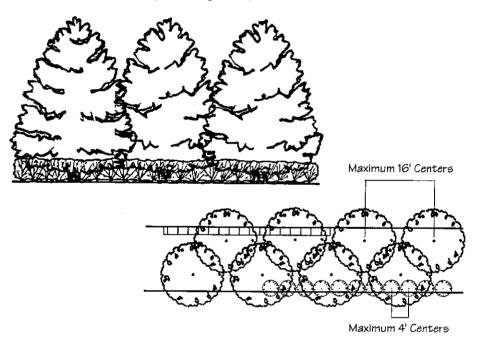
APPROPRIATE LOCATION: Boundaries of commercial and industrial developments adjoining residential areas

NOTE: Landscape buffer strips should be a minimum of 15 feet in width, and sown with grass or ground cover for their full width, allowing for mulch at the base of plantings.

Two offset rows of deciduous or evergreen canopy trees with a 6 ft. high continuous dense evergreen hedge, fence, wall or earth berm.

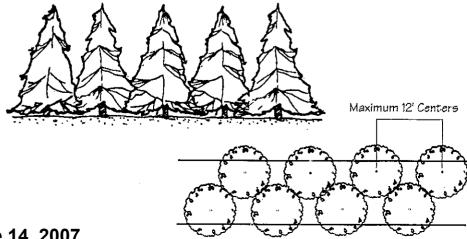
TREE HEIGHT Installed: 8 ft. Mature: 40 ft.

SHRUB HEIGHT Installed: 4 ft. Mature: 6 ft.



■ Two offset rows of evergreen trees with branches touching the ground

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INTRODUCTION Landscape screening reduces the impact of intense development upon adjacent land uses by providing visual separation, reducing the transmission of glare and air pollution, and limiting access. Screening also promotes the aesthetic appeal of a neighborhood and promotes higher property values.

This series of design guidelines defines several types of landscape screen. Each type is applicable to a certain intensity of conflict between adjacent land uses. Each screen type is illustrated by several planting schemes with an equivalent height, density and opacity of landscaping.

MPC uses these guidelines to illustrate desirable levels of screening appropriate to various site planning situations. Creative alternatives which achieve a comparable effect are encouraged

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The contents of these guidelines are advisory and are intended to supplement, but not replace, the requirements of the Knoxville Zoning Ordinance and the Knox County Zoning Ordinance

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