

KNOXVILLE/KNOX COUNTY METROPOLITAN PLANNING COMMISSION **REZONING REPORT**

FILE #: 7-D-08-RZ **AGENDA ITEM #:** 48

> **AGENDA DATE:** 7/10/2008

APPLICANT: STEPHEN T. BLANKENSHIP

OWNER(S): CADDELL LESTER L & MARY MILDRED

107 K E 011 TAX ID NUMBER:

JURISDICTION: City Council District 2

LOCATION: South side Chambliss Ave., west side Lebanon St.

► APPX. SIZE OF TRACT: 17710 square feet

SECTOR PLAN: West City

GROWTH POLICY PLAN: Urban Growth Area (Inside City Limits)

ACCESSIBILITY: Access is via Chambliss Ave., a local street with 20' of pavement width

within 45' of right of way, or Lebanon St., a local street with 17' of pavement

width within 40' of right of way.

Water Source: Knoxville Utilities Board **UTILITIES:**

> Sewer Source: **Knoxville Utilities Board**

Third Creek WATERSHED:

PRESENT ZONING: R-2 (General Residential)

ZONING REQUESTED: O-1 (Office, Medical, and Related Services)

EXISTING LAND USE: Residence

PROPOSED USE: Office

EXTENSION OF ZONE: Yes, extension of O-1 from north, south and west.

HISTORY OF ZONING: None noted

SURROUNDING LAND Chambliss Ave. - House and office / R-2 (General Residential) and North: **USE AND ZONING:**

O-1 (Office, Medical & Related Services)

South: Duplex / O-1 (Office, Medical & Related Services)

East: Lebanon St. - Apartments / R-2 (General Residential)

West: Office / O-1 (Office, Medical & Related Services)

NEIGHBORHOOD CONTEXT: This area was originally developed with residential uses under R-1 and R-2

zoning. In recent years, many properties have transitioned into office and

multi-family residential uses, under O-1 and R-2 zoning.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

APPROVE 0-1 (Office, Medical & Related Services) zoning.

O-1 zoning for this parcel continues the transition of this neighborhood to office zoning and uses, consistent with the One Year Plan.

COMMENTS:

NEED AND JUSTIFICATION FOR THE PROPOSAL

- 1. The proposal is compatible with the scale and intensity of the surrounding land uses and zoning pattern.
- 2. Other properties in the immediate area have been rezoned from R-1 and R-2 to O-1 in the past to use existing houses for offices.
- 3. O-1 is a logical extension of zoning from the south, north and west, and this proposal continues the trend of

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THE EFFECTS OF THE PROPOSAL

- 1. Public water and sewer utilities are in place to serve the site.
- 2. The proposal will have a minimal impact on streets and schools.
- 3. The proposal is compatible with surrounding development and will have a minimal impact on adjacent properties.

CONFORMITY OF THE PROPOSAL TO ADOPTED PLANS

- 1. The City of Knoxville One Year Plan proposes mixed uses, limited to office, medium density residential and low density residential uses for this parcel, consistent with this proposal.
- 2. The West City Sector Plan proposes mixed uses for this parcel, consistent with this proposal.
- 3. This site is within the study area of the Bearden Village Opportunities Plan in an area designated for medium density residential (MDR) uses on the proposed land use plan. However, many properties within the MDR area have been rezoned for office, consistent with the mixed use designation of the One Year Plan. Office uses are generally considered similar in intensity to MDR uses.
- 4. Staff would anticipate receiving similar zoning requests in the future in this neighborhood, continuing the transition to office uses.

ESTIMATED TRAFFIC IMPACT: Not calculated.

ESTIMATED STUDENT YIELD: Not applicable.

If approved, this item will be forwarded to Knoxville City Council for action on 8/12/2008 and 8/26/2008. 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.

