

KNOXVILLE/KNOX COUNTY METROPOLITAN PLANNING COMMISSION USE ON REVIEW REPORT

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AGENDA DATE: 10/8/2009

► APPLICANT: CITY OF KNOXVILLE

OWNER(S): CITY OF KNOXVILLE

TAX ID NUMBER: 95 J B 010 & 01001

JURISDICTION: City Council District 6

► LOCATION: South side of E. Hill Av., north side of Volunteer Landing Ln..

► APPX. SIZE OF TRACT: 0.25 acres

SECTOR PLAN: Central City

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

ACCESSIBILITY: Access will be via E. Hill Av., a collector street with a pavement width of 26'

within a 50' wide right-of-way

UTILITIES: Water Source: Knoxville Utilities Board

Sewer Source: Knoxville Utilities Board

WATERSHED: First Creek

► ZONING: C-2 (Central Business District)

EXISTING LAND USE: Improved open space

► PROPOSED USE: Parking lot

HISTORY OF ZONING: None noted

SURROUNDING LAND

North: James White Fort / O-2 Office & H-1 Historical Overlay

USE AND ZONING:

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South: Residential condominiums / C-2 Central Business District

East: Women's Basketball Hall of Fame / C-2 Central Business District

West: Volunteer Landing / C-2 Central business District

NEIGHBORHOOD CONTEXT: The site is located near the eastern edge of the central business district.

Development in the area consists of Volunteer Landing, James Whiter Fort

and the Women's Basketball Hall of Fame.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

APPROVE the request for a parking lot as shown on the development plan subject to 2 conditions

- 1. Meeting all applicable requirements of the Knoxville Dept. of Engineering
- 2. Meeting all applicable requirements of the Knoxville Zoning Ordinance

With the conditions noted, this plan meets the requirements for approval in the C-2 district and the other criteria for approval of a use on review.

COMMENTS:

The City of Knoxville is proposing to build a parking lot at the intersection of E. Hill Av. and Volunteer Landing Ln. This proposed parking lot is primarily intended to provide additional spaces for the Volunteer Landing

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area. Access to Volunteer Landing will be via the elevated walkway and elevator that are already in place. In addition to Volunteer Landing, this parking lot may serve the James White Fort and the Women's Basketball Hall of Fame. The site is currently used as open space with a number of trees on the property. The plan for the parking lot will save a number of these existing trees.

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

- 1. The proposed parking lot will have minimal impact on local services since all utilities are in place to serve this site.
- 2. The proposed parking lot will be located central to a number of potential users.
- 3. The proposal is compatible with the surrounding development along E. Hill Av. and Volunteer Landing Ln.

CONFORMITY OF THE PROPOSAL TO CRITERIA ESTABLISHED BY THE KNOXVILLE ZONING ORDINANCE

- 1. The proposed parking lot meets all of the requirements of the Knoxville Zoning Ordinance.
- 2. The proposed parking lot 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 neighborhoods where it is proposed. The use will not significantly injure the value of adjacent property. The use will not draw additional traffic through residential areas.

CONFORMITY OF THE PROPOSAL TO ADOPTED PLANS

1. The Central City Sector Plan and One Year Plan identifies the property for CBD (Central Business District) uses. The proposed development is consistent with these plans.

ESTIMATED TRAFFIC IMPACT: Not calculated.

ESTIMATED STUDENT YIELD: Not applicable.

MPC's approval or denial of this request is final, unless the action is appealed to the Knoxville City Council. The date of the Knoxville City Council 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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