

KNOXVILLE/KNOX COUNTY METROPOLITAN PLANNING COMMISSION USE ON REVIEW REPORT

۲	FILE #: 10-E-09-UR	AGENDA ITEM #: 42				
		AGENDA DATE: 10/8/2009				
۲	APPLICANT:	WANIS RGHEBI				
	OWNER(S):	NORTH AMERICAN ISLAMIC TRUST				
	TAX ID NUMBER:	94 L N 008 & 011				
	JURISDICTION:	City Council District 1				
►	LOCATION:	South side of Grand Ave., west side of Thirteenth St.				
•	APPX. SIZE OF TRACT:	0.9 acres				
	SECTOR PLAN:	Central City				
	GROWTH POLICY PLAN:	Urban Growth Area (Inside City Limits)				
	ACCESSIBILITY:	Access is via Grand Av., a local street with a pavement width of 22' within a 50' wide right-of-way				
	UTILITIES:	Water Source: Knoxville Utilities Board				
		Sewer Source: Knoxville Utilities Board				
	WATERSHED:	Second Creek				
►	ZONING: R-2 (General Residential)					
►	EXISTING LAND USE:	Vacant				
•	PROPOSED USE:	Overflow Parking for an existing church				
	HISTORY OF ZONING:	None noted				
	SURROUNDING LAND USE AND ZONING:	North: Norfolk Southern Railroad / I-3 Industrial				
		South: Apartments / R-2 Residential & NC-1 Neighborhood Conservation				
		East: Religious facility / C-3 Commercial				
		West: Apartments / R-2 residential				
	NEIGHBORHOOD CONTEXT:	The site is located on the northern edge of the Fort Sanders neighborhood. The area is characterized by its mixture of residential and commercial uses.				

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

APPROVE the request for an overflow 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 R-2 district and the other criteria for approval of a use on review.

COMMENTS:

The applicants are proposing to construct an overflow parking lot on the property currently owned by the Knoxville Muslim Community. Since the proposed parking lot is not needed to meet their required number of

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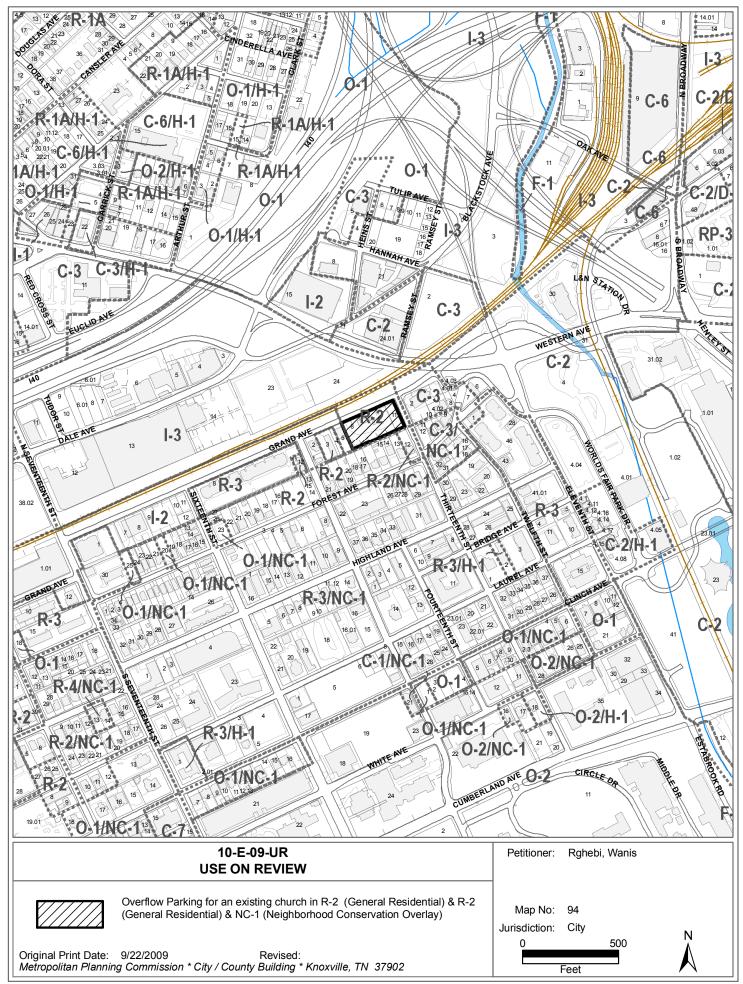
parking spaces, it has been proposed to have a gravel surface. The City of Knoxville Engineering Dept. has stated that a gravel surface can be permitted. Paving of a portion of the lot may be required in order to prevent gravel from migrating from the site onto the public right-of-way. Additionally, the applicant may need to obtain variances from the Knoxville Board of Zoning Appeals from some of the design standards for a typical parking lot design. Since this is being constructed as overflow parking, staff will not object to the variances. The site is well suited for the proposed use. Access will be provided from Grand Av and an alley.

With the conditions noted, the request meets the requirements for approval in the PR Zone and the other criteria for approval of a Use on Review.

ESTIMATED TRAFFIC IMPACT: Not calculated.

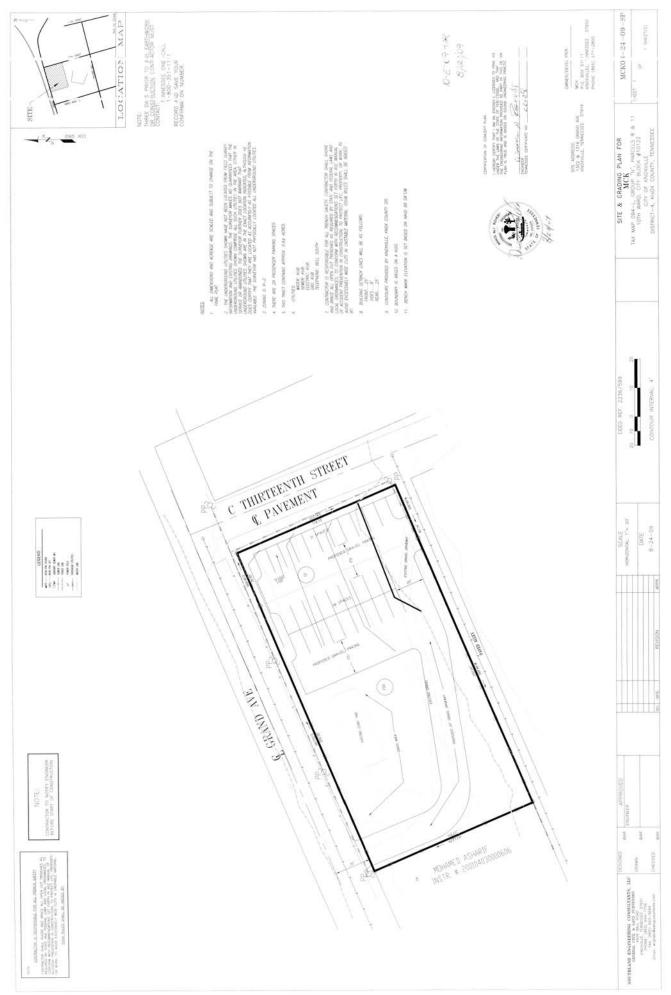
ESTIMATED STUDENT YIELD: Not applicable.

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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