

▶ **FILE #:** 8-D-10-RZ

AGENDA ITEM # 43

AGENDA DATE: 8/12/2010

▶ **APPLICANT:** LINDA HURD

OWNER(S): HURD ROBERT L & LINDA B & RONNIE E BRADEN

TAX ID NUMBER: 78 109

JURISDICTION: County Commission District 6

▶ **LOCATION:** Northeast end Messer Ln., northeast of Weaver Rd.

▶ **APPX. SIZE OF TRACT:** 2.2 acres

SECTOR PLAN: Northwest County

GROWTH POLICY PLAN: Planned Growth Area

ACCESSIBILITY: Access is via Messer Ln., a local street with 16-17' of pavement width within 50' of right-of-way.

UTILITIES: Water Source: West Knox Utility District
 Sewer Source: West Knox Utility District

WATERSHED: Grassy Creek

▶ **PRESENT ZONING:** A (Agricultural)

▶ **ZONING REQUESTED:** RA (Low Density Residential)

▶ **EXISTING LAND USE:** Residences

▶ **PROPOSED USE:** Residences

EXTENSION OF ZONE: Yes, extension of RA from the east

HISTORY OF ZONING: None noted

SURROUNDING LAND USE AND ZONING: North: Vacant land / A (Agricultural)

South: Vacant land / A (Agricultural)

East: Residences / RA (Low Density Residential)

West: Residences / A (Agricultural)

NEIGHBORHOOD CONTEXT: This area is developed with low density residential uses under A and RA zoning.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

▶ **RECOMMEND that County Commission APPROVE RA (Low Density Residential) zoning.**

RA zoning allows compatible uses with the surrounding development and zoning pattern and is consistent with the sector plan proposal for the site.

COMMENTS:

NEED BASED ON SUBSTANTIALLY CHANGED/CHANGING CONDITIONS IN THE AREA OR THE COUNTY GENERALLY:

1. RA zoning is compatible with the scale and intensity of the surrounding development and zoning pattern in the area.
2. There is a large area to the east and two properties to the west along Messer Ln., zoned RA. There are also numerous PR zoned subdivisions in the vicinity of the site.
3. The proposed RA zoning is consistent with the Northwest County Sector Plan proposal for the site.

CONSISTENCY WITH INTENT AND PURPOSE OF THE ZONING ORDINANCE:

1. RA zoning provides for residential areas with low population densities. These areas are intended to be defined and protected from encroachment of uses not performing a function necessary to the residential environment.
2. Based on the above description, this site is appropriate for RA zoning.
3. If connected to sewer, the RA zone allows detached residential development with a minimum lot size of 10,000 sq. ft. Without sewer, the minimum lot size is 20,000 sq. ft., subject to approval by Knox County Health Department.

THE EFFECTS OF THIS PROPOSAL

1. Public water and sewer utilities are available in the area, but may need to be extended to serve the site.
2. The impact to the street system will be minimal.
3. The proposed zoning is compatible with surrounding development and the impact should be minimal.
4. There are three houses located on this 2.2 acre property. RA zoning will allow the property to be subdivided in order to place each houses on an individual lot.

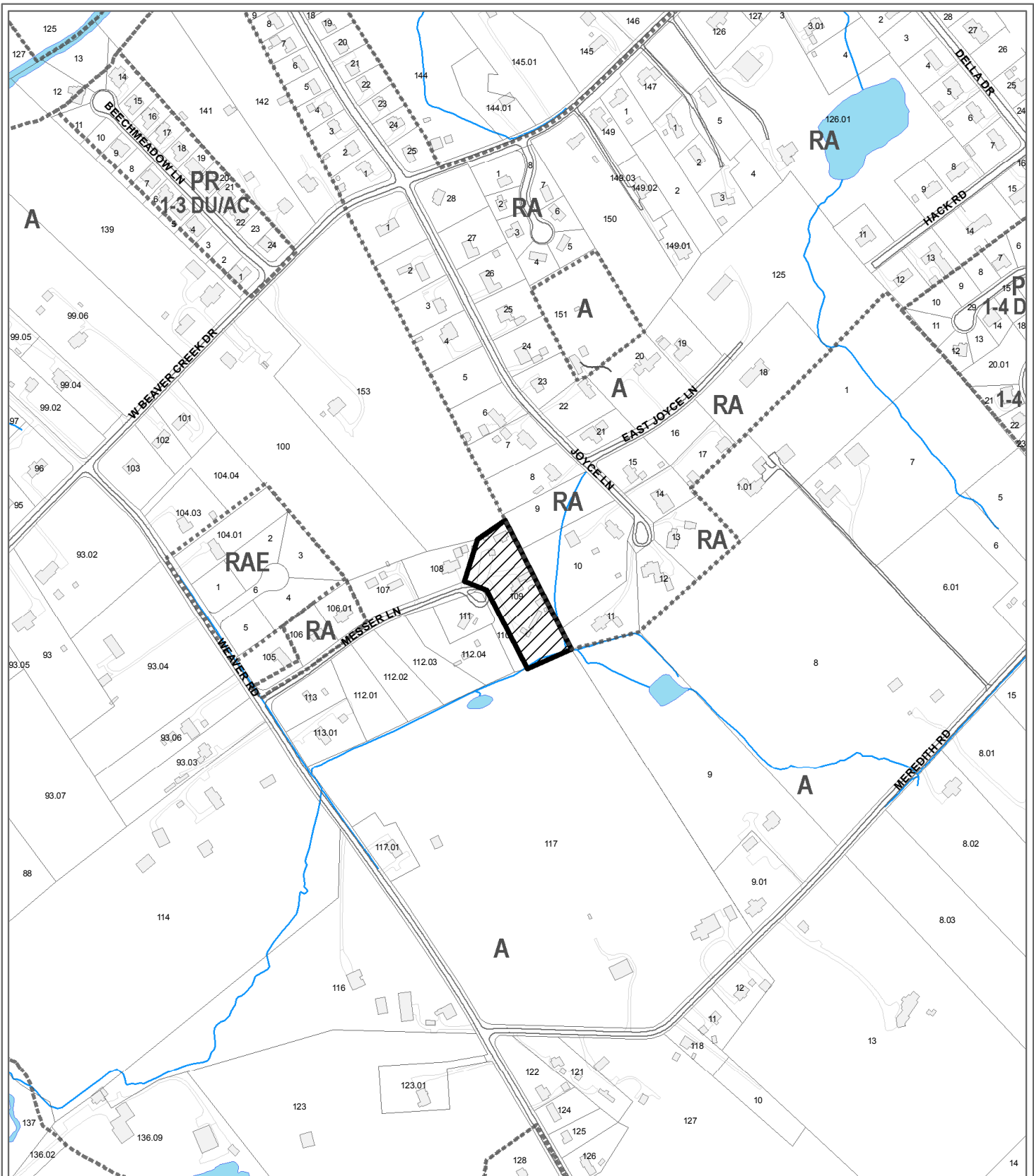
CONFORMITY OF THE PROPOSAL TO ADOPTED PLANS

1. The Northwest County Sector Plan proposes low density residential use for the site, consistent with the requested RA zoning.
2. The site is located within the Planned Growth Area on the Knoxville-Knox County-Farragut Growth Policy Plan map.
3. Approval of this request may lead to future requests for RA zoning on surrounding properties zoned Agricultural, which is consistent with the sector plan proposal for low density residential uses in the area.

ESTIMATED TRAFFIC IMPACT: Not calculated.

ESTIMATED STUDENT YIELD: Not applicable.

If approved, this item will be forwarded to Knox County Commission for action on 9/27/2010. If denied, MPC's action is final, unless the action to deny is appealed to Knox County Commission. The date of the appeal 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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REZONING**

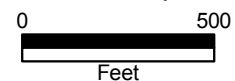
From: A (Agricultural)
To: RA (Low Density Residential)



Petitioner: Hurd, Linda

Map No: 78

Jurisdiction: County



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