

KNOXVILLE/KNOX COUNTY METROPOLITAN PLANNING COMMISSION USE ON REVIEW REPORT

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POSTPONEMENT(S): 11/10/2011-3/8/2012 **AGENDA DATE: 4/12/2012**

► APPLICANT: REV. ALAN SMITH

OWNER(S): Grace Covenant Church

TAX ID NUMBER: 118 164

JURISDICTION: City Council District 2

► LOCATION: South side of Dutchtown Rd., west of Rennboro Rd.

► APPX. SIZE OF TRACT: 7.98 acres

SECTOR PLAN: Northwest County

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

ACCESSIBILITY: Access is via Dutchtown Rd., a minor arterial street with a three lane

pavement section with a 40' pavement width and a required right-of-way of

88'.

UTILITIES: Water Source: Knoxville Utilities Board

Sewer Source: Knoxville Utilities Board

WATERSHED: Turkey Creek

ZONING: A-1 (General Agricultural)

EXISTING LAND USE: Church and school

▶ PROPOSED USE: Expansion/addition to church and school facility

HISTORY OF ZONING: None noted

SURROUNDING LAND North: Residences / BP (Business and Technology) & RA (Low Density

Residential)

South: Residences and school bus storage yard /A-1 (General Agricultural)

& A (Agricultural)

East: Residences / A (Agricultural) & RA (Low Density Residential)

West: Vacant land / C-6 (General Commercial Park)

NEIGHBORHOOD CONTEXT: The site is located in a transition area between low density residential

development to the east, north and south, and commercial development to

the west at the Pellissippi Parkway / Dutchtown Rd. interchange.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

USE AND ZONING:

► APPROVE the request for the church expansion as shown on the development plan subject to 4 conditions

- 1. Connection to sanitary sewer and meeting any other relevant requirement of the Knox County Health Department.
- 2. Meeting all applicable requirements of the City of Knoxville's Stormwater and Street Ordinance
- 3. Meeting all requirements of the Knoxville Department of Engineering.
- 4. Meeting all other applicable requirements of the Knoxville Zoning Ordinance.

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With the conditions noted, this plan meets the requirements for approval in the A-1 Zone and the other criteria for approval of a use on review.

COMMENTS:

The applicant is proposing to build an addition to an existing church located on the south side of Dutchtown Rd. east of Mabry Hood Rd. Grace Covenant Baptist Church originally received a use on review approval fron the Planning Commission on February 11, 1999. The addition of approximately 3800 square feet will be used for classrooms, office and multi-purpose space. The addition will not increase the capacity of the auditorium for the church. Parking for a church is based on the size or seating within the auditorium.

The new addition will require the relocation of some of the existing parking. The applicant was granted a variance by the Knoxville Board of Zoning Appeals on February 16, 2012 to reduce the required parking from 136 spaces to 108 spaces which are designated on the revised development plan.

The church site is located in three drainage basins which could require up to three separate detention ponds to address stormwater runoff for the proposed development. The applicant will be working with the Knoxville Department of Engineering staff on developing a stormwater management plan for the site.

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

- 1. The proposed church addition will have minimal impact on traffic in the area since the expansion is not increasing the area of the church's auditorium.
- 2. All utilities are in place to serve this site.
- 3. The use as proposed will have little or no impact on the surrounding commercial or residential uses.

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

- 1. The proposed church expansion 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 neighborhood 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,
- 2. The plan meets all requirements of the Zoning Ordinance.

CONFORMITY OF THE PROPOSAL TO ADOPTED MPC PLANS

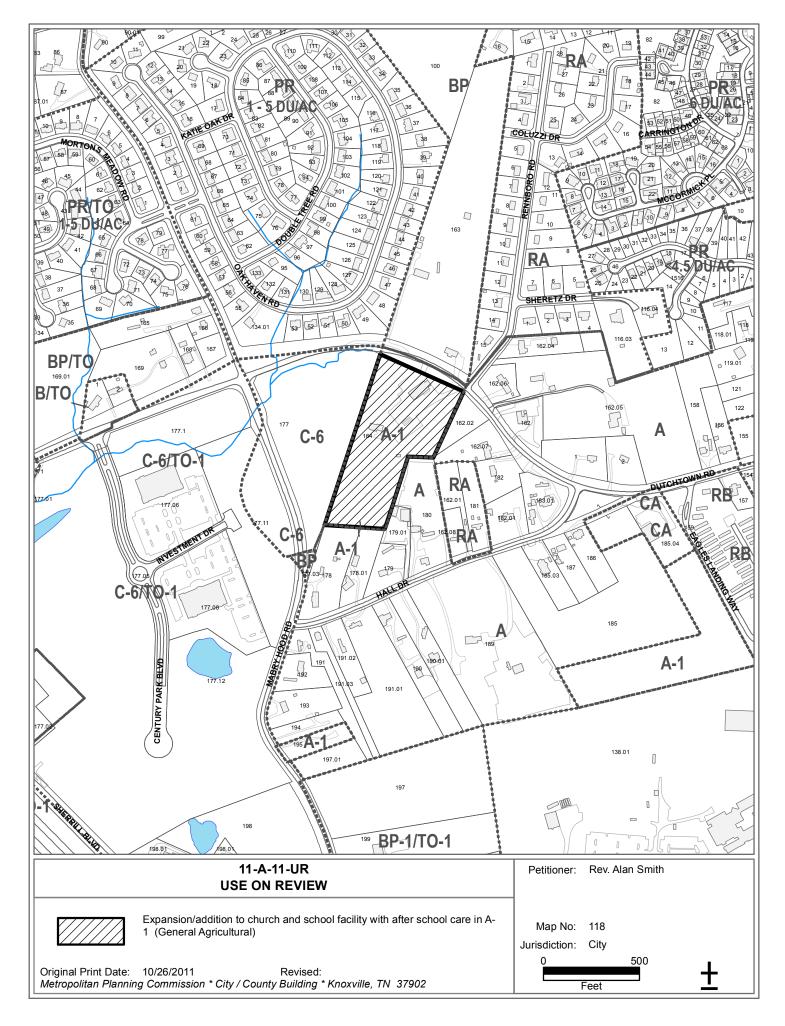
- 1. The Northwest County Sector Plan designates this property for low density residential use. The One Year Plan identifies the property for civic/institutional use which is consistent with the present and proposed use of the property.
- 2. The site is located within the Urban Growth Area (Inside the City Limits) of the Knoxville-Knox County-Farragut Growth Policy Plan.

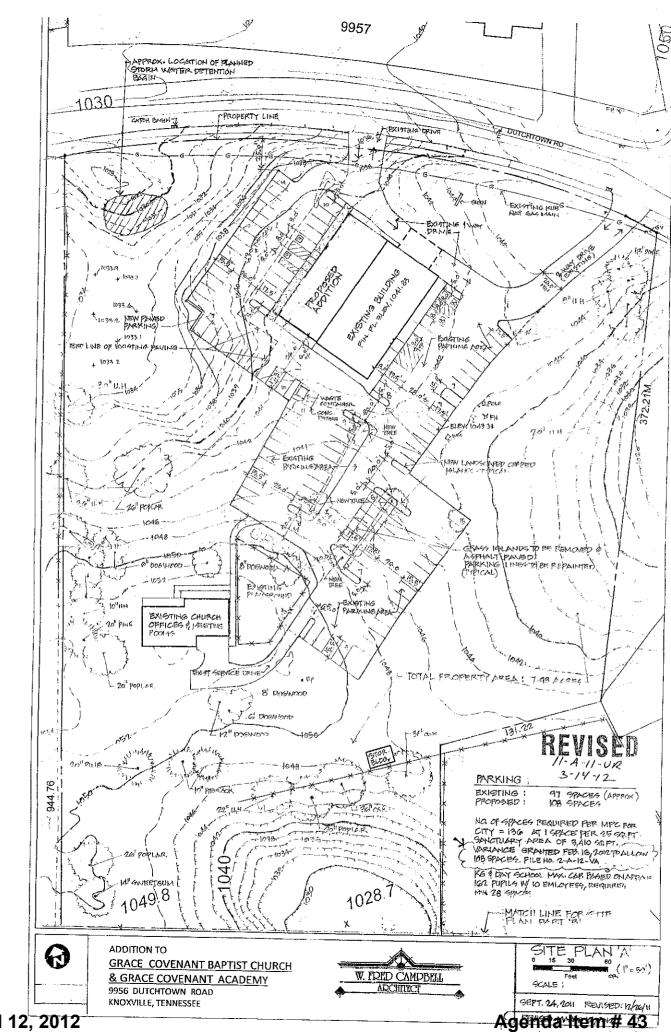
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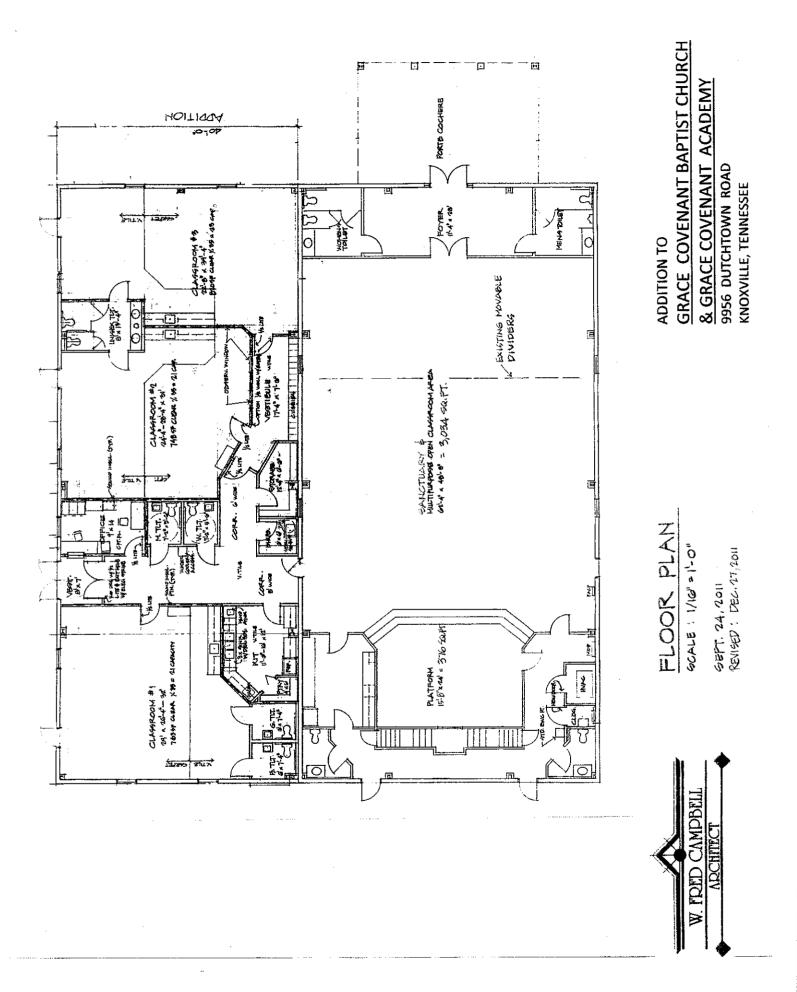
ESTIMATED STUDENT YIELD: Not applicable.

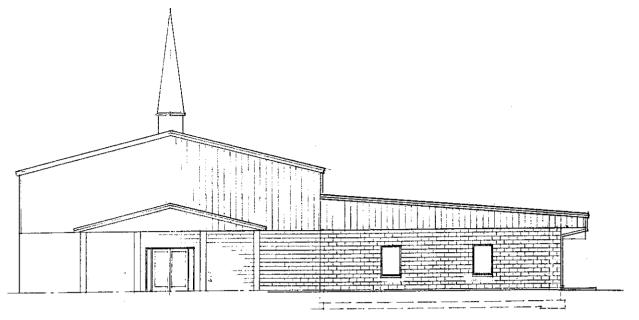
MPC's approval or denial of this request is final, unless the action is appealed to the Knoxville City Council. The date of the Knoxville City Council hearing will depend on when the appeal application is filed. Appellants have 15 days to appeal an MPC decision in the City.

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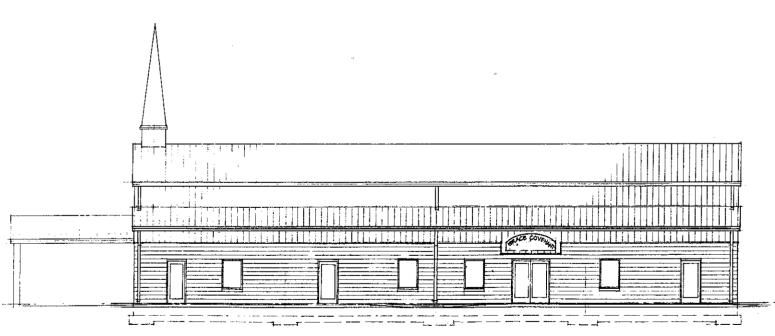








NE FRONT ELEVATION



HW GIDE ELEVATION



ADDITION TO

GRACE COVENANT BAPTIST CHURCH

& GRACE COVENANT ACADEMY

9956 DUTCHTOWN ROAD

KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE

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