

KNOXVILLE/KNOX COUNTY METROPOLITAN PLANNING COMMISSION REZONING REPORT

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AGENDA DATE: 6/14/2012

► APPLICANT: TARAGON VAN DE WERKEN

OWNER(S): Taragon Van De Werken

TAX ID NUMBER: 106 011&01101

JURISDICTION: City Council District 3

► LOCATION: North side Robinson Rd., east of Bakertown Rd.

► APPX. SIZE OF TRACT: 5.6 acres

SECTOR PLAN: Northwest County

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

ACCESSIBILITY: Access is via Robinson Rd., a minor collector street with 20' of pavement

width within 60' of right-of-way.

UTILITIES: Water Source: Knoxville Utilities Board

Sewer Source: Knoxville Utilities Board

WATERSHED: Ten Mile Creek

PRESENT ZONING: R-1A (Low Density Residential)

ZONING REQUESTED: RP-1 (Planned Residential)

► EXISTING LAND USE: Dwellings

PROPOSED USE: Residential development

DENSITY PROPOSED: 5.9 du/ac

EXTENSION OF ZONE: Yes, extension of RP-1 from the south

HISTORY OF ZONING: None noted

SURROUNDING LAND

North: Residence and vacant land / R-1A (Low Density Residential)

USE AND ZONING:

South: Robinson Rd. - Condominiums / RP-1 (Planned Residential)

East: Residence / R-1A (Low Density Residential)

West: Vacant land / R-1A (Low Density Residential)

NEIGHBORHOOD CONTEXT: This area is developed with low to medium density, attached and detached

residential development under R-1, R-1A, A, A-1 and RP-1 zoning.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

RECOMMEND that City Council APPROVE RP-1 (Planned Residential) zoning at a density of up to 5.9 du/ac.

RP-1 zoning at the requested density is consistent with the sector plan designation and will allow uses compatible with the surrounding land uses and zoning pattern.

COMMENTS:

REZONING REQUIREMENTS FROM ZONING ORDINANCES (must meet all of these):

THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT SHALL BE NECESSARY BECAUSE OF SUBSTANTIALLY CHANGED OR CHANGING CONDITIONS IN THE AREA AND DISTRICTS AFFECTED, OR IN THE CITY/COUNTY GENERALLY:

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- 1. This site, which is accessed from Robinson Rd., is in the vicinity of other properties that are zoned RP-1 at similar densities, as well as R-1A zoned sites.
- 2. The property is located in the City Limits of Knoxville on the Growth Policy Plan and is proposed for low density residential uses on the sector plan, consistent with the proposal.
- 3. The proposed low density residential zoning and development is compatible with the scale and intensity of the surrounding development and zoning pattern, which includes attached residential development to the south, also zoned RP-1.
- 4. The site is appropriate to be developed under RP-1 zoning at the maximum permissible density in the LDR category. The site does not have significant slope or other environmental constraints.
- 5. The RP-1 zone requires use on review approval of a development plan by MPC prior to construction. This will provide the opportunity for staff to review the plan and address issues such as traffic circulation, lot layout, recreational amenities, drainage, types of units and other potential development concerns. It will also give the opportunity for public comment at the MPC meeting.

THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT SHALL BE CONSISTENT WITH THE INTENT AND PURPOSE OF THE APPLICABLE ZONING ORDINANCE:

- 1. RP-1 zoning is intended to provide optional methods of land development which encourage more imaginative solutions to environmental design problems. Residential areas thus established would be characterized by a unified building and site development program, open space for recreation and provision for commercial, religious, educational and cultural facilities which are integrated with the total project by unified architectural and open space treatment.
- 2. Additionally, the zoning states that each development shall be compatible with the surrounding or adjacent zones. Such compatibility shall be determined by the Planning Commission by review of development plans. Staff maintains that RP-1 is the most appropriate zone for this development.

THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT SHALL NOT ADVERSELY AFFECT ANY OTHER PART OF THE COUNTY, NOR SHALL ANY DIRECT OR INDIRECT ADVERSE EFFECTS RESULT FROM SUCH AMENDMENT:

- 1. At the requested density of up to 5.9 du/ac on the 5.6 acres reported, up to 33 dwelling units could be proposed for the site. Developed with attached residential units, this would add approximately 352 trips to the street system and about 6 children to the school system.
- 2. RP-1 zoning at the requested density is compatible with surrounding development and should have a minimal impact on adjacent properties.
- 3. The approval of this request will allow the applicant to submit a development plan with up to 33 dwelling units for MPC's consideration.
- 4. Public water and sewer utilities are available to serve the site, and the proposal is consistent with other zoning and density in the immediate area.

THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT SHALL BE CONSISTENT WITH AND NOT IN CONFLICT WITH THE GENERAL PLAN OF KNOXVILLE AND KNOX COUNTY, INCLUDING ANY OF ITS ELEMENTS, MAJOR ROAD PLAN, LAND USE PLAN, COMMUNITY FACILITIES PLAN, AND OTHERS:

- 1. The Northwest County Sector Plan proposes low density residential uses for this property, consistent with the proposed RP-1 zoning at up to 5.9 du/ac.
- 2. The site is located within the City Limits of Knoxville on the Knoxville-Knox County-Farragut Growth Policy Plan map.
- 3. This proposal does not present any apparent conflicts with any other adopted plans.

Upon final approval of the rezoning, the developer will be required to submit a development plan for MPC consideration of use on review approval prior to the property's development. The plan will show the property's proposed development, landscaping and street network and will also identify the types of residential units that may be constructed. Grading and drainage plans may also be required at this stage, if deemed necessary by Knoxville Engineering and MPC staff.

ESTIMATED TRAFFIC IMPACT 352 (average daily vehicle trips)

Average Daily Vehicle Trips are computed using national average trip rates reported in the latest edition of "Trip Generation," published by the Institute of Transportation Engineers. Average Daily Vehicle Trips represent the total number of trips that a particular land use can be expected to generate during a 24-hour day (Monday through Friday), with a "trip" counted each time a vehicle enters or exits a proposed development.

ESTIMATED STUDENT YIELD: 6 (public and private school children, ages 5-18 years)

Schools affected by this proposal: Karns Elementary, Karns Middle, and Karns High.

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- School-age population (ages 5–18) is estimated by MPC using data from a variety of sources.
- While most children will attend public schools, the estimate includes population that may be home-schooled, attend private schools at various stages of enrollment, or drop out of the public system.
- Students are assigned to schools based on current attendance zones as determined by Knox County Schools. Zone boundaries are subject to change.
- Estimates presume full build-out of the proposed development. Build-out is subject to market forces, and timing varies widely from proposal to proposal.
- Student yields from new development do not reflect a net addition of children in schools. Additions occur incrementally over the build-out period. New students may replace current population that ages through the system or moves from the attendance zone.
- School capacities are subject to change by Knox County Schools through building additions, curriculum or scheduling changes, or amendments to attendance zone boundaries.

If approved, this item will be forwarded to Knoxville City Council for action on 7/10/2012 and 7/24/2012. 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.

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