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KNOXVILLE/KNOX COUNTY METROPOLITAN PLANNING COMMISSION REZONING REPORT

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AGENDA DATE: 2/14/2013 APPLICANT: LINDA G. WELCH Linda G. Welch OWNER(S): TAX ID NUMBER: 107 C E 02001&02002 JURISDICTION: City Council District 6 LOCATION: Northwest side Papermill Dr., northeast of Hollywood Rd. APPX. SIZE OF TRACT: 21250 square feet SECTOR PLAN: Northwest City **GROWTH POLICY PLAN:** Urban Growth Area (Inside City Limits) ACCESSIBILITY: Access is via Papermill Dr., a major collector street with 26' of pavement width within 65' of right-of-way. UTILITIES: Water Source: **Knoxville Utilities Board** Sewer Source: Knoxville Utilities Board WATERSHED: Third Creek PRESENT ZONING: C-1 (Neighborhood Commercial) ZONING REQUESTED: C-3 (General Commercial) EXISTING LAND USE: Office and vacant land PROPOSED USE: Office or small business EXTENSION OF ZONE: Yes, extension of C-3 zoning from the west HISTORY OF ZONING: None noted SURROUNDING LAND North: Residences / R-1 (Low Density Residential) USE AND ZONING: South: Papermill Dr. - Manufacturing, warehouse / I-4 (Heavy Industrial) East: Warehouses / C-6 (General Commercial Park) Vacant lot / C-3 (General Commercial) West: **NEIGHBORHOOD CONTEXT:** This section of Papermill Dr. is developed with a mix of non-residential uses under various zones, including C-3, C-4, C-6, I-2 and O-1.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

RECOMMEND that City Council APPROVE C-3 (General Commercial) zoning.

C-3 zoning is consistent with both the One Year Plan and sector plan proposals for the property and is an extension of C-3 zoning from the west.

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:

1. The proposed C-3 zoning is compatible with the scale and intensity of the surrounding development and zoning pattern.

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2. The location of the property along a major collector street is appropriate for C-3 uses.

3. The proposal is consistent with the one year and sector plan proposals for the site, and C-3 is a logical extension of zoning from the west.

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

1. The C-3 zone, as described in the zoning ordinance, is for personal and business services and general retail businesses. This zoning category is intended to include areas where commercial development has displaced or is displacing residential development, or is moving in on vacant land. Further, the regulations are designed to guide future change so as to discourage formation of future commercial slums, to preserve the carrying capacity of the streets, and to provide for off-street parking and loading. It is not the intent of this district to encourage the extension of existing strip commercial areas, but rather to provide concentrations of general commercial activities.

2. Based on the above general intent, this site is appropriate for C-3 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. The proposal would have no impact on schools. The impact on the street system would depend on the type of commercial development proposed. Water and sewer utilities are in place to serve the site.

2. The proposal is compatible with surrounding development and zoning, so the impact on adjacent properties should be minimal. Commercial or light industrial zoning and uses are located on three sides of the subject property.

3. The area is developed primarily with commercial and light industrial businesses which will not be negatively impacted by commercial development of this site. No other area of the County will be impacted by this rezoning request.

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 City Sector Plan proposes commercial uses for this site, consistent with the proposed C-3 zoning.

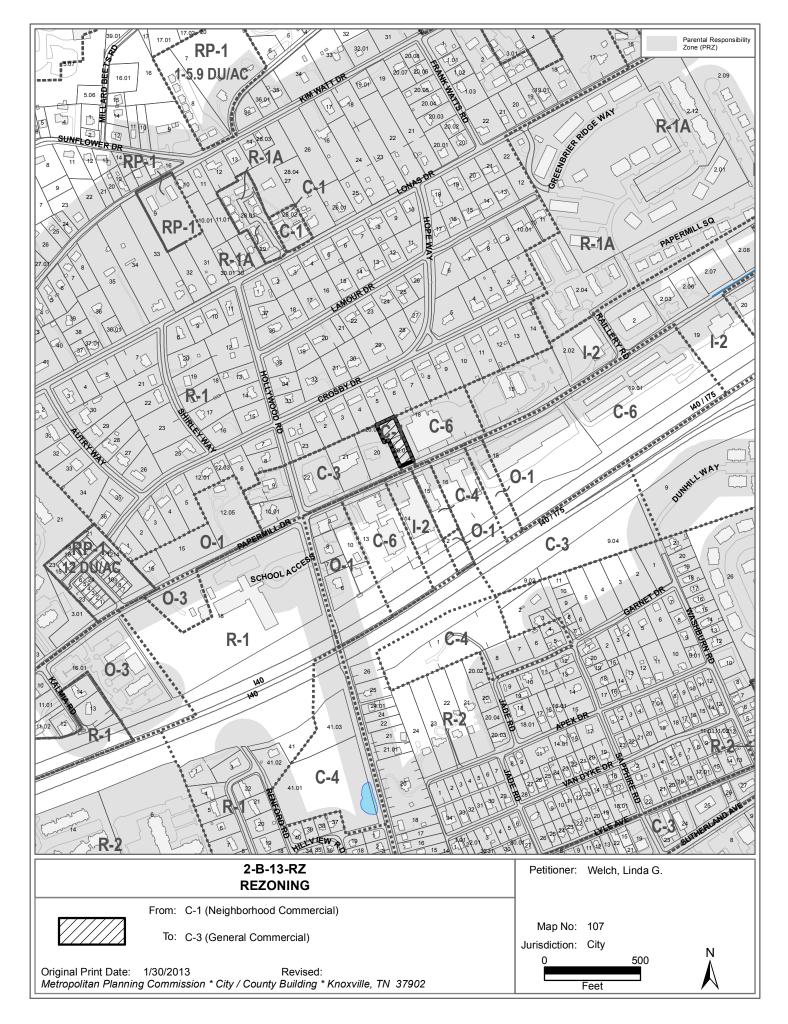
2. The site is located within the City of Knoxville on the Knoxville-Knox County-Farragut Growth Policy Plan map.

3. The proposal does not present any apparent conflicts with any other adopted plans.

ESTIMATED TRAFFIC IMPACT: Not calculated.

ESTIMATED STUDENT YIELD: Not applicable.

If approved, this item will be forwarded to Knoxville City Council for action on 3/19/2013 and 4/2/2013. 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.



MPC February 14, 2013

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