

▶ **FILE #:** 6-B-13-RZ

AGENDA ITEM #: 26

AGENDA DATE: 6/13/2013

▶ **APPLICANT:** ALVIN AUSTIN

OWNER(S): Alvin Austin

TAX ID NUMBER: 91 043

JURISDICTION: County Commission District 6

▶ **LOCATION:** Southwest side Zion Ln., northwest of Ball Rd.

▶ **APPX. SIZE OF TRACT:** 1.8 acres

SECTOR PLAN: Northwest County

GROWTH POLICY PLAN: Planned Growth Area

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

UTILITIES: Water Source: Knoxville Utilities Board
 Sewer Source: Knoxville Utilities Board

WATERSHED: Grassy Creek

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

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

▶ **EXISTING LAND USE:** Two dwellings

▶ **PROPOSED USE:** Subdivide property

EXTENSION OF ZONE: Not an extension of RA, but there is RB zoning to the north and west.

HISTORY OF ZONING: None noted

SURROUNDING LAND USE AND ZONING: North: Vacant land / RB (General Residential)

South: House / A (Agricultural)

East: Zion Ln. - House / A (Agricultural)

West: Vacant land / A (Agricultural) and RB (General Residential)

NEIGHBORHOOD CONTEXT: This area is primarily developed with rural to low density residential uses under A, RA, RB and PR zoning.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

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

RA zoning is consistent with the sector plan designation and will allow uses compatible with the surrounding land uses and zoning pattern. There are three other RA-zoned tracts along Zion Ln., as well as a PR-zoned subdivision to the south across Ball Rd.

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. RA zoning is compatible with the scale and intensity of the surrounding development and zoning pattern in

the area.

2. The proposed RA zoning is consistent with the Northwest County Sector Plan proposal for the site.
3. Three tracts of RA zoning are already in place to the southeast along Zion Ln.

THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT SHALL BE CONSISTENT WITH THE INTENT AND PURPOSE OF THE APPLICABLE 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 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 applicant intends to establish an additional residence at this site. The site is not large enough to be subdivided under the current A zoning, which requires a minimum lot size of one acre. RA zoning will allow this 1.8 acre site to be split into two or more lots.
2. The impact to the street system will be minimal. If a plat is submitted to subdivide the property, a right-of-way dedication may be required. In this section of Zion Ln., this dedication will be 25 feet from the right-of-way centerline.
3. The proposed zoning is compatible with surrounding development, and there should be minimal impact to the surrounding area and no adverse affect to any other part of the County.
4. Public water and sewer utilities are available in the area, but may need to be extended to serve the site.
5. No other area of the County will be impacted by this rezoning request.

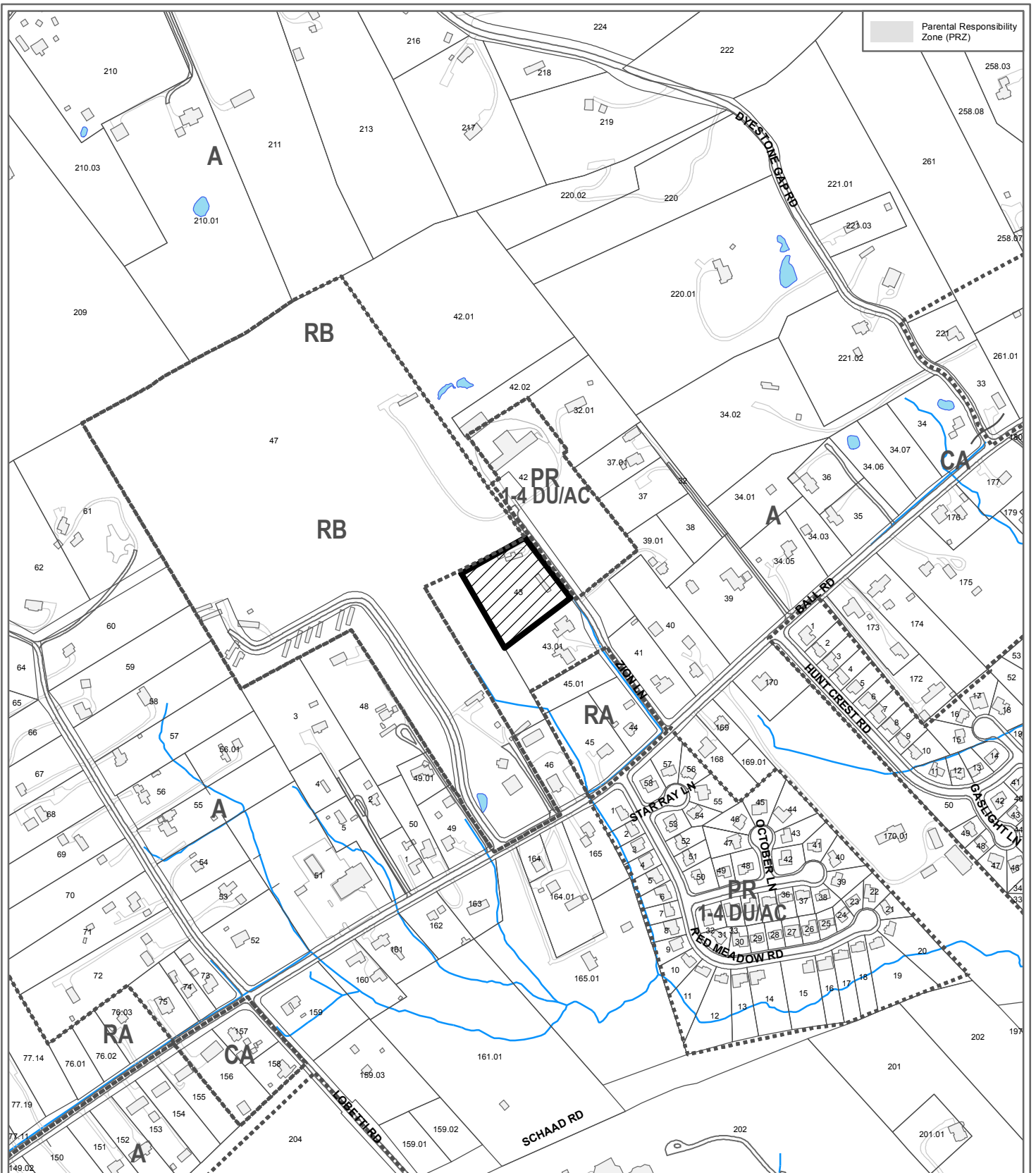
THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT SHALL BE CONSISTENT WITH AND NOT IN CONFLICT WITH THE GENERAL PLAN OF KNOXVILLE AND KNOX COUNTY, INCLUDING ANY OF ITS ELEMENTS, MAJOR ROAD PLAN, LAND USE PLAN, COMMUNITY FACILITIES PLAN, AND OTHERS:

1. The Northwest 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.
4. 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 Knox County Commission for action on 7/22/2013. 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**

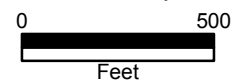
From: A (Agricultural)
To: RA (Low Density Residential)



Petitioner: Austin, Alvin

Map No: 91

Jurisdiction: County



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