

KNOXVILLE/KNOX COUNTY METROPOLITAN PLANNING COMMISSION PLAN AMENDMENT/REZONING REPORT

► FILE #: 3-D-14-RZ 3-B-14-SP	AGENDA ITEM #: 37 AGENDA DATE: 3/13/2014				
APPLICANT:	CHARLES THOMPSON				
OWNER(S):	Charles Thompson				
TAX ID NUMBER:	57 109				
JURISDICTION:	Commission District 7				
STREET ADDRESS:	412 E Beaver Creek Dr				
► LOCATION:	Southeast side E. Beaver Creek Dr., southwest of Stanfort Ln.				
► TRACT INFORMATION:	1.9 acres.				
SECTOR PLAN:	North County				
GROWTH POLICY PLAN:	Urban Growth Area				
ACCESSIBILITY:	Access is via E. Beaver Creek Dr., a major collector street with 17' of pavement width within 45' of right-of-way.				
UTILITIES:	Water Source: Hallsdale-Powell Utility District				
	Sewer Source: Hallsdale-Powell Utility District				
WATERSHED:	Beaver Creek				
PRESENT PLAN DESIGNATION/ZONING:	LDR (Low Density Residential) / A (Agricultural)				
PROPOSED PLAN DESIGNATION/ZONING:	O (Office) / OB (Office, Medical, and Related Services)				
EXISTING LAND USE:	Residence				
PROPOSED USE:	Multi-dwelling residential development				
DENSITY PROPOSED:	12 du/ac				
EXTENSION OF PLAN DESIGNATION/ZONING:	Yes, extension of O plan designation and OB zoning from the west				
HISTORY OF ZONING REQUESTS:	None noted				
SURROUNDING LAND USE, PLAN DESIGNATION,	North: E. Beaver Creek Dr Condominiums / MDR / R-2 (General Residential)				
ZONING	South: Vacant land / LDR & HP / RB (General Residential)				
2011110	East: Apartments / LDR & HP / RB (General Residential)				
	West: House and vacant land, church / O / OB (Office, Medical & Related Services)				
NEIGHBORHOOD CONTEXT:	This area is developed with primarily medium density residential uses under PR, RP-1, R-2, RB and OB zoning. There are several nearby properties that are zoned CA, but there are no apparent commercial uses located on them. A church is located to the west of the subject property.				

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

ADOPT RESOLUTION #3-B-14-SP, amending the North County Sector Plan to O (Office) and recommend the Knox County Commission also approve the sector plan amendment, to make it operative. (See resolution, Exhibit A.)

Office uses at this site would be a logical extension of the plan designation from the west. Office uses would be compatible with the surrounding land use and zoning pattern.

RECOMMEND that County Commission APPROVE OB (Office, Medical & Related Services) zoning.

OB is a logical extension of zoning from the west and is compatible with the scale and intensity of the surrounding development and zoning pattern.

COMMENTS:

SECTOR PLAN REQUIREMENTS FROM GENERAL PLAN (May meet any one of these):

CHANGES OF CONDITIONS WARRANTING AMENDMENT OF THE LAND USE PLAN:

INTRODUCTION OF SIGNIFICANT NEW ROADS OR UTILITIES THAT WERE NOT ANTICIPATED IN THE PLAN AND MAKE DEVELOPMENT MORE FEASIBLE:

No known improvements have been made to E. Beaver Creek Dr. in front of this site. However, it is classified as a major collector street that is sufficient to accommodate office use of the site. Some improvements were made recently to the intersection to the southwest of E. Beaver Creek Dr. and Central Avenue Pike, which included the installation of a traffic signal and additional turning lanes. Public water and sewer utilities are available to serve the site.

AN OBVIOUS OR SIGNIFICANT ERROR OR OMISSION IN THE PLAN:

The property is currently designated for low density residential uses, consistent with its current Agricultural zoning. Office for this site is a logical extension of the sector plan designation from the west.

CHANGES IN GOVERNMENT POLICY, SUCH AS A DECISION TO CONCENTRATE DEVELOPMENT IN CERTAIN AREAS:

Previous applications have been approved to allow development of office and medium density residential uses in this general area.

TRENDS IN DEVELOPMENT, POPULATION OR TRAFFIC THAT WARRANT RECONSIDERATION OF THE ORIGINAL PLAN PROPOSAL:

Condominiums and apartments are the most common land uses in the immediate vicinity of the site, so office or medium density residential use of this site, as permitted by OB zoning, would be compatible with the surrounding development pattern.

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. This site, which is northeast of the recently improved intersection of Central Avenue Pike and E. Beaver Creek Dr., is an appropriate location for office and/or medium density residential development, as permitted under the requested OB zoning.

2. OB zoning will allow uses compatible with surrounding development and zoning.

3. OB 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 requested OB zoning district is intended to provide areas for professional and business offices and related activities that require separate buildings and building groups surrounded by landscaped yards and oper areas. The OB zoning district also allows residential development as permitted by the RB zoning district.

2. Based on the above description and intent of OB zoning, this property is appropriate to be rezoned to OB, as requested.

3. OB zoning allows office uses and medium density residential development up to a density of 12 du/ac as permitted uses. MPC would review a development plan for residential uses if the proposed density exceeds 12

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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. Public water and sanitary sewer are available to serve the site.

2. The impact to the streets and school system will depend on the type of development proposed. E. Beaver Creek Dr. is classified as a major collector street that is sufficient to handle additional traffic that would be generated by uses permitted in the OB zoning district.

3. This proposed amendment of the zoning map will not adversely affect any other part of the County.

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. With the recommended amendment to the North County Sector Plan, OB zoning will be consistent with the plan.

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

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

State law regarding amendments of the general plan (which include Sector Plan amendments) was changed with passage of Public Chapter 1150 by the Tennessee Legislature in 2008. The law now provides for two methods to amend the plan at TCA 13-3-304:

1. The Planning Commission may initiate an amendment by adopting a resolution and certifying the amendment to the Legislative Body. Once approved by majority vote of the Legislative Body, the amendment is operative.

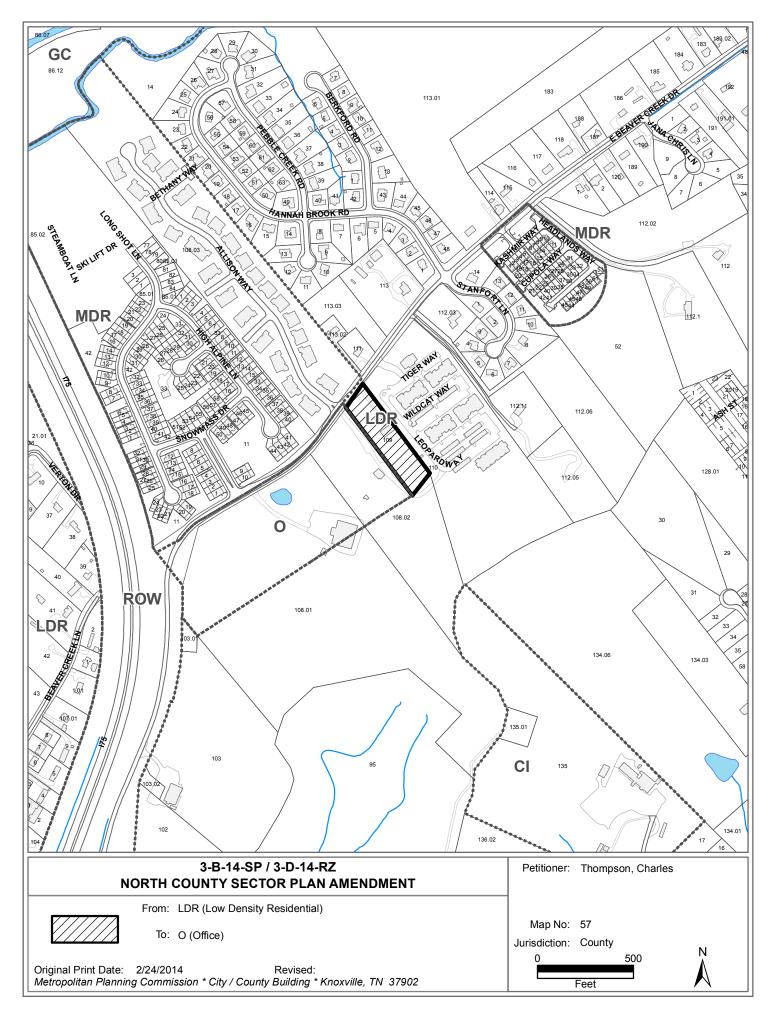
2. The Legislative Body may also initiate an amendment and transmit the amendment to the Planning Commission. Once the Planning Commission has considered the proposed amendment and approved, not approved, or taken no action, the Legislative Body may approve the amendment by majority vote and the amendment is operative.

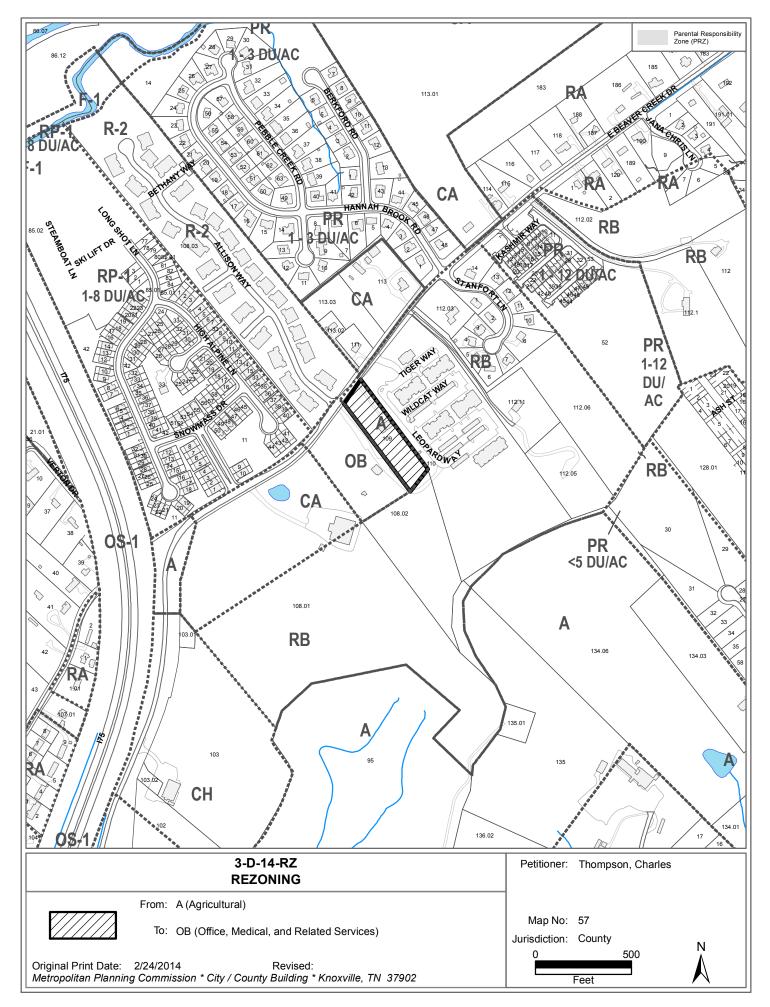
ESTIMATED TRAFFIC IMPACT: Not required.

ESTIMATED STUDENT YIELD: Not applicable.

If approved, this item will be forwarded to Knox County Commission for action on 4/28/2014. 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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KNOXVILLE-KNOX COUNTY METROPOLITAN PLANNING COMMISSION A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE NORTH COUNTY SECTOR PLAN

WHEREAS, the Knoxville-Knox County Metropolitan Planning Commission, a regional planning commission established pursuant to state statute, has the duty to make, adopt and amend plans for the physical development of Knoxville and Knox County; and

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Planning Commission pursuant to state statute has prepared and adopted the Knoxville-Knox County General Plan 2033, as the official comprehensive plan for Knoxville and Knox County; and

WHEREAS, the Council of the City of Knoxville and the Commission of Knox County have adopted the Knoxville Knox County General Plan 2033, as the official comprehensive plan for Knoxville and Knox County; and

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Planning Commission has prepared the Knox County Future Land Use Map, a portion of which is contained within the North County Sector Plan, consistent with the requirements of the General Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Knoxville-Knox County General Plan 2033, provides criteria for periodic updates and amendments of the land use maps contained within sector plans initiated by the Planning Commission or in response to applications from property owners; and

WHEREAS, Charles Thompson has submitted an application to amend the Sector Plan from Low Density Residential to Office for property described in the application; and

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Planning Commission staff recommends approval of a revised amendment to the North County Sector Plan, consistent with General Plan requirements that such amendment represents either a logical extension of a development pattern, or is warranted because of changing conditions in the sector as enumerated in the Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Planning Commission, at its regularly scheduled public hearing on March 13, 2014, after consideration of the staff recommendation and testimony from those persons in support and opposed to the sector plan amendment, approved the amendment for the subject property, as requested, and/or amended.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE KNOXVILLE-KNOX COUNTY METROPOLITAN PLANNING COMMISSION:

SECTION 1: The Planning Commission hereby adopts the revised amendment to the North County Sector Plan, with its accompanying, staff report and map, file #3-B-14-SP.

SECTION 2: This Resolution shall take effect upon its approval.

SECTION 3: The Planning Commission further recommends that The Knox County Commission likewise consider this revised amendment to the General Plan 2033.

Date

Chairman

Secretary