

▶ **FILE #:** 5-C-15-RZ

**AGENDA ITEM #:** 26

**AGENDA DATE:** 5/14/2015

▶ **APPLICANT:** CHRISTOPHER D. BUSH

OWNER(S): Christopher D. Bush

TAX ID NUMBER: 47 E B 014

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JURISDICTION: County Commission District 7

STREET ADDRESS: 1707 Forrester Rd

▶ **LOCATION:** Northwest side Forrester Rd., southeast of Cunningham Rd.

▶ **APPX. SIZE OF TRACT:** 0.8 acres

SECTOR PLAN: North County

GROWTH POLICY PLAN: Planned Growth Area

ACCESSIBILITY: Access is via Forrester Rd., a local street with 12-13' of pavement width within 40' of right-of-way.

UTILITIES: Water Source: Hallsdale-Powell Utility District

Sewer Source: Hallsdale-Powell Utility District

WATERSHED: Beaver Creek

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

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

▶ **EXISTING LAND USE:** Residential

▶ **PROPOSED USE:** Residential

EXTENSION OF ZONE: Yes, extension of RA from the north

HISTORY OF ZONING: None noted

SURROUNDING LAND USE AND ZONING: North: Dwellings / RA (Low Density Residential)

South: Forrester Rd. - Dwellings and vacant land / A (Agricultural)

East: Dwelling / A (Agricultural)

West: Dwelling / A (Agricultural)

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

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION:**

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

RA zoning is consistent with the sector plan and growth plan designations for the area, and is an extension of low density residential zoning from the north.

**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 RA zoning is consistent with the North County Sector Plan proposal for the site.

2. The site is located within the Planned Growth Area on the Knoxville-Knox County-Farragut Growth Policy Plan.
3. The adjacent property to the north is developed with detached dwellings on individual lots and zoned RA. The proposal is an extension of RA zoning.

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. Approval of RA zoning will allow this site to be subdivided for development of detached dwellings on individual lots. Forrester Rd. is classified as a local street in the Major Road Plan. A right-of way dedication of 25 feet from the centerline of Forrester Rd. will be required as part of the plat approval process that will be required if the property is subdivided.
2. The proposed zoning is consistent with adopted plan designations, and there should be minimal impact to the surrounding area and no adverse effect to any other part of the County.
3. Public water and sewer utilities are available in the area, but may need to be extended to serve the site.
4. No other area of the County will be impacted by this rezoning request.

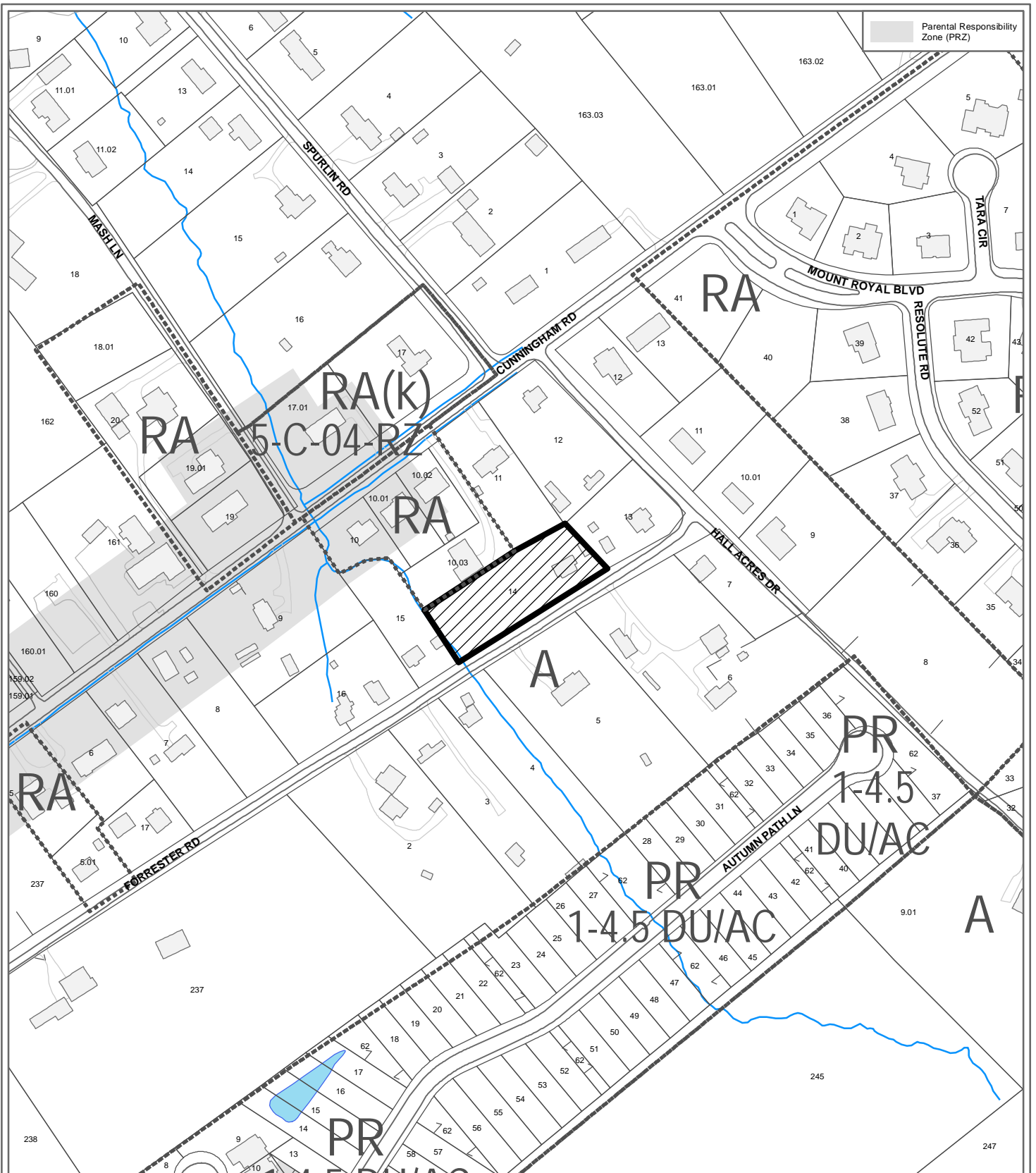
THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT SHALL BE CONSISTENT WITH AND NOT IN CONFLICT WITH THE GENERAL PLAN OF KNOXVILLE AND KNOX COUNTY, INCLUDING ANY OF ITS ELEMENTS, MAJOR ROAD PLAN, LAND USE PLAN, COMMUNITY FACILITIES PLAN, AND OTHERS:

1. The North 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 would be consistent with the sector plan designation 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 required.

ESTIMATED STUDENT YIELD: Not applicable.

If approved, this item will be forwarded to Knox County Commission for action on 6/22/2015. 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: Bush, Christopher D.

Map No: 47

Jurisdiction: County



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