

## KNOXVILLE/KNOX COUNTY METROPOLITAN PLANNING COMMISSION SUBDIVISION REPORT - CONCEPT

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AGENDA DATE: 10/8/2015

► SUBDIVISION: WILLOWS POINTE SUBDIVISION (FKA - TWIN WILLOWS SUBDIVISION)

► APPLICANT/DEVELOPER: TWIN WILLOWS CONSTRUCTION

OWNER(S): Twin Willows Construction, LLC

TAX IDENTIFICATION: 129 14213 AND PART OF 142 View map on KGIS

JURISDICTION: County Commission District 6

STREET ADDRESS: 0 Buttermilk Rd

► LOCATION: Southeast side of Buttermilk Rd., west of Graybeal Rd.

SECTOR PLAN: Northwest County

GROWTH POLICY PLAN: Rural Area
WATERSHED: Hickory Creek

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE: 26.92 acres

► ZONING: PR (Planned Residential)

EXISTING LAND USE: Vacant land

► PROPOSED USE: Detached residential subdivision

SURROUNDING LAND

North: Residences / PR (Planned Residential) & A (Agricultural)

USE AND ZONING: South: Residences and vacant land / PR (Planned Residential)

East: Residences and vacant land / A (agricultural) & RA (Low Density

Residential)

West: Residences and vacant land / A (Agricultural)

► NUMBER OF LOTS: 69

SURVEYOR/ENGINEER: Batson, Himes, Norvell & Poe

ACCESSIBILITY: Access is via Buttermilk Rd., a minor collector street with an 18' pavement

width within a 50' right-of-way.

**▶** SUBDIVISION VARIANCES

**REQUIRED:** 

1. Vertical curve variance on Road A at STA 1+00, from 300' to 180'.

2. Street grade variance on Road A, from STA 0+80 to STA 7+75, from

12% to 15%.

3. Horizontal curve variance on Road C at STA 3+50, from 250' to 100'.

4. Horizontal curve variance on Road C at STA 8+50, from 250' to 100'.

## STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

► APPROVE variances 1-4 because the site's topography restricts compliance with the Subdivision Regulations, and the proposed variances will not create a traffic hazard.

## **APPROVE the Concept Plan subject to 5 conditions:**

- 1. Meeting all relevant requirements of the Knox County Health Department.
- 2. Provision of street names which are consistent with the Uniform Street Naming and Addressing System within Knox County (County Ord. 91-1-102).
- 3. The surveyor providing certification on the final plat that a minimum of 300' of sight distance exists and can be maintained at the subdivision entrance onto Buttermilk Rd. in both directions along Buttermilk Rd.

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4. Placing a note on the final plat that all structures will have to be located at least 50' from the top of the sinkhole (closed contour area) identified on the plat. Building construction within the 50' setback may be permitted if a geotechnical study prepared by a registered engineer states that building within the 50' sinkhole buffer is acceptable and the study is approved by the Knox County Department of Engineering and Public Works. The geotechnical study must be completed and submitted to Knox County Department of Engineering and Public Works prior to submission of the final plat for Lots 41-44 since these lots do not have a building area outside of the 50' setback area. A 5' drainage easement extending outside of the uppermost closed contour is required. Building construction is not permitted within the hatchered contour area of the sinkhole or the drainage easement. Engineered footings may be required for any structures within the 50' sinkhole buffer. 5. Meeting all applicable requirements of the Knox County Department of Engineering and Public Works.

With the conditions noted, this plan meets the requirements for approval of a Concept Plan.

## COMMENTS:

The applicant is proposing to subdivide a 26.92 acre tract on the south side of Buttermilk Rd. into a detached residential subdivision with a total of 69 lots at a density of 2.56 du/ac. The first phase of the subdivision was approved and recorded in February 2013 for 5 lots on 5.116 acres. The overall subdivision will have 74 lots on 32.04 acres for a density 2.31 du/ac.

On July 11, 2013, the Planning Commission approved a concept plan for this proposed subdivision which expired this July. The applicant is now requesting a new approval of the concept plan with no changes to the proposed layout or total number of lots.

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The applicant will be requesting approval from the Knox County Health Department to serve the proposed lots that are half an acre or larger in size by subsurface sewage disposal systems. The five, acre size lots fronting on Buttermilk Rd. are already approved for subsurface sewage disposal systems. Proposed Lots 17 - 68 will be served by a sewer system.

A traffic impact study is not required for this subdivision.

ESTIMATED TRAFFIC IMPACT: 737 (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: 37 (public and private school children, ages 5-18 years)

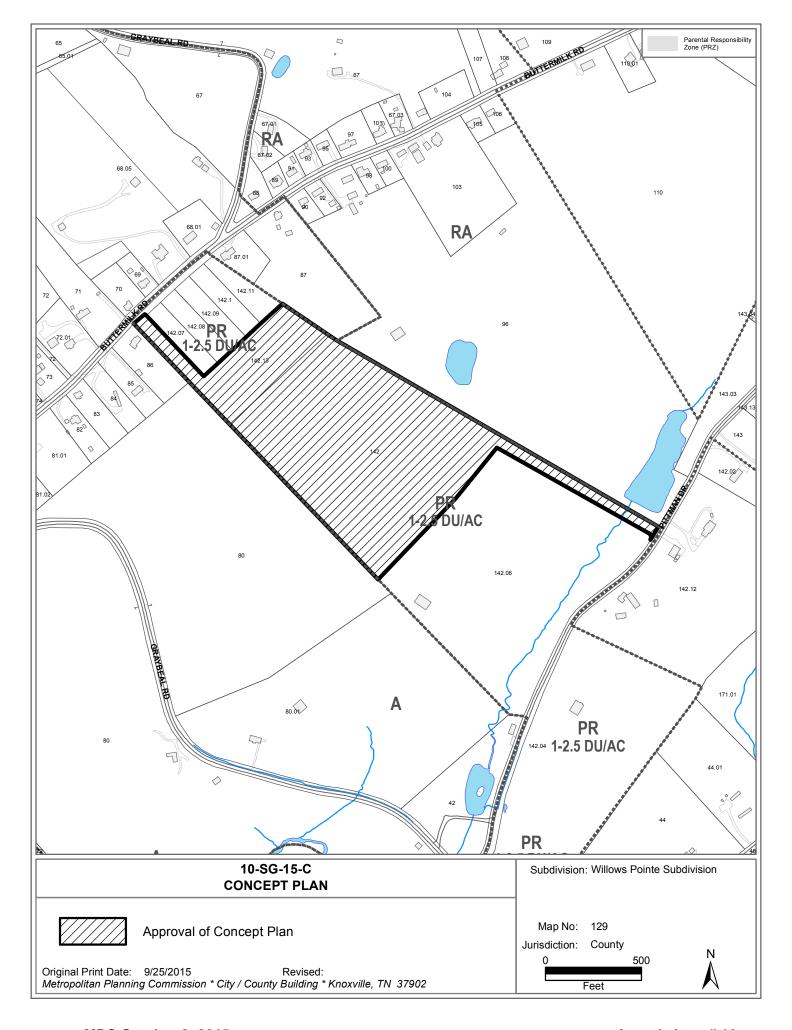
Schools affected by this proposal: Hardin Valley Elementary, Karns Middle, and Hardin Valley Academy.

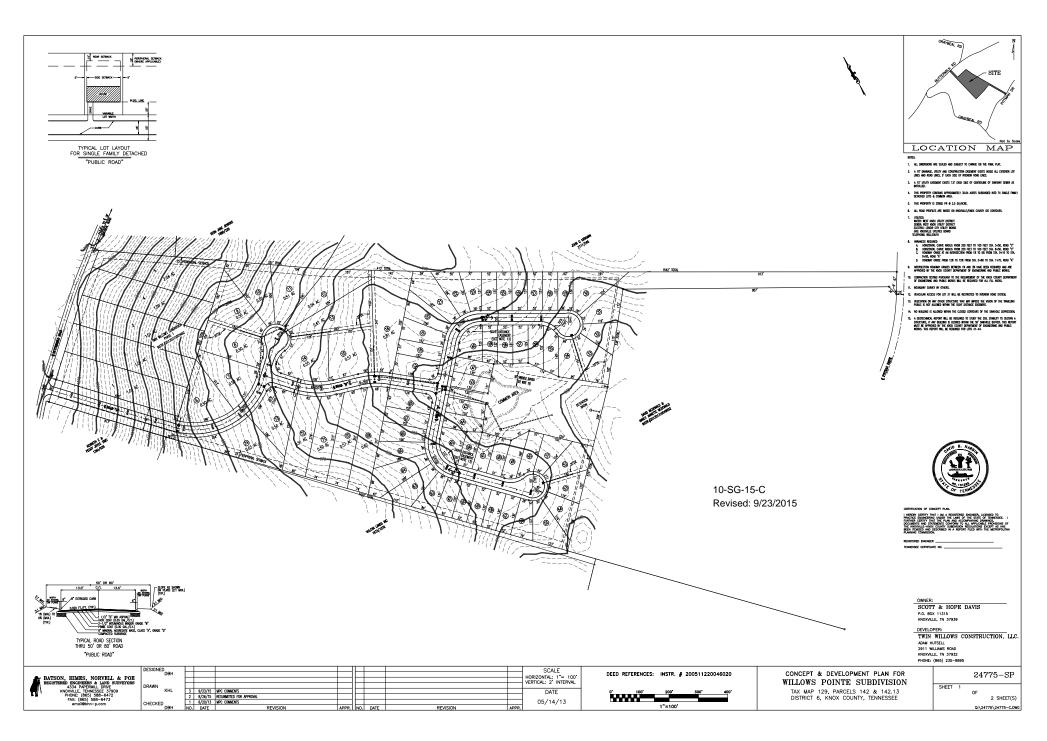
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- School-age population (ages 5–18) is estimated by MPC using data from a variety of sources.
- While most children will attend public schools, the estimate includes population that may be home-schooled, attend private schools at various stages of 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.

MPC's approval or denial of this request is final, unless the action is appealed to Knox County Chancery Court. The date of the Knox County Chancery Court appeal hearing will depend on when the appeal application is filed.

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