

KNOXVILLE/KNOX COUNTY METROPOLITAN PLANNING COMMISSION REZONING REPORT

► FILE #: 9-C-15-RZ	AGENDA ITEM #: 35			
	AGENDA DATE: 9/10/2015			
APPLICANT:	JOHN KING			
OWNER(S):	John King			
TAX ID NUMBER:	104 20908 View map on KGIS			
JURISDICTION:	County Commission District 6			
STREET ADDRESS:				
► LOCATION:	Southeast side Bob Kirby Rd., southwest of Middlebrook Pike			
APPX. SIZE OF TRACT:	5 acres			
SECTOR PLAN:	Northwest County			
GROWTH POLICY PLAN:	Planned Growth Area			
ACCESSIBILITY:	Access is via Bob Kirby Rd., a minor collector street with 18' of pavement width within 60' of right-of-way.			
UTILITIES:	Water Source: West Knox Utility District			
	Sewer Source: West Knox Utility District			
WATERSHED:	Beaver Creek			
PRESENT ZONING:	A (Agricultural)			
ZONING REQUESTED:	PR (Planned Residential)			
EXISTING LAND USE:	Vacant land			
PROPOSED USE:	Attached residential development and personal storage units			
DENSITY PROPOSED:	10 du/ac			
EXTENSION OF ZONE:	Yes, extension of PR from the north and west			
HISTORY OF ZONING:	None noted			
SURROUNDING LAND USE AND ZONING:	North: Bob Kirby Rd Vacant land / PR (Planned Residential) @ 1-3 du/ac			
	South: Vacant land / A (Agricultural)			
	East: Vacant commercial building and commercial strip center / CA (General Business)			
	West: House and vacant land / PR (Planned Residential) @ 1-2.8 du/ac			
NEIGHBORHOOD CONTEXT:	With the exception of the commercial strip center and grocery store to the west, at its intersection with Middlebrook Pike, Bob Kirby Rd. is developed with residential uses under A, RA and PR zoning.			

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

RECOMMEND that County Commission APPROVE PR (Planned Residential) zoning at a density of up to 10 du/ac.

PR zoning at the requested density is consistent with the sector plan designation and will allow uses compatible with the surrounding land uses and zoning pattern. The site is relatively flat with few environmental constraints, so is appropriate for development at density allowed within the MDR sector plan designation. MDR uses are appropriate as a transition between commercial uses to the east and low density residential uses to the west.

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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. This site is accessed from Bob Kirby Rd., a minor collector street, and is adjacent to an established commercial node at the intersection of Bob Kirby Rd. and Middlebrook Pike.

2. The property is located in the Planned Growth Area on the Growth Policy Plan and is proposed for medium density residential uses on the sector plan, consistent with the proposal.

3. The proposed medium density residential zoning and development is compatible with the scale and intensity of the surrounding development and zoning pattern. MDR uses at this location would create an appropriate transitional use between the established commercial uses to the east and the low density residential zoning to the west.

4. The site is appropriate to be developed under PR zoning within the MDR density range. The site does not have significant slope or other environmental constraints, and has access to a minor collector street.

5. The PR zone requires use on review approval of a development plan by MPC prior to construction. This will provide the opportunity for staff to review the plan and address issues such as traffic circulation, lot layout, recreational amenities, drainage, types of units and other potential development concerns. It will also give the opportunity for public comment at the MPC meeting.

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

1. PR zoning is intended to provide optional methods of land development which encourage more imaginative solutions to environmental design problems. Residential areas thus established would be characterized by a unified building and site development program, open space for recreation and provision for commercial, religious, educational and cultural facilities which are integrated with the total project by unified architectural and open space treatment.

2. Additionally, the zoning states that each development shall be compatible with the surrounding or adjacent zones. Such compatibility shall be determined by the Planning Commission by review of development plans. Staff maintains that PR is the most appropriate zone for this 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. At the requested density of up to 10 du/ac on the 5 acres reported, up to 50 dwelling units could be proposed for the site. If developed with attached multi-dwelling residential units, this would add approximately 512 trips to the street system and about 12 children to the school system.

2. PR zoning at the recommended density is compatible with surrounding development and should have a minimal impact on adjacent properties.

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

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 medium density residential uses for this property, consistent with the requested PR zoning at up to 10 du/ac.

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 does not appear to violate policies of any other adopted plans.

Upon final approval of the rezoning, the developer will be required to submit a development plan for MPC consideration of use on review approval prior to the property's development. The plan will show the property's proposed development, landscaping and street network and will also identify the types of residential units that may be constructed. Grading and drainage plans may also be required at this stage, if deemed necessary by Knox County Engineering and MPC staff.

ESTIMATED TRAFFIC IMPACT: 512 (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: 12 (public and private school children, ages 5-18 years)

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

• 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.

If approved, this item will be forwarded to Knox County Commission for action on 10/26/2015. 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.

