

KNOXVILLE/KNOX COUNTY METROPOLITAN PLANNING COMMISSION USE ON REVIEW REPORT

► FILE #: 3-C-16-UR	AGENDA ITEM #: 35			
	AGENDA DATE: 3/10/2016			
APPLICANT:	PARK WEST CHURCH JOE PIERCE Park West Church of God			
OWNER(S):				
TAX ID NUMBER:	106 J A 038 View map on KGIS			
JURISDICTION:	City Council District 3			
STREET ADDRESS:	7635 Middlebrook Pike			
► LOCATION:	North side of Middlebrook Pike, south side of Piney Grove Church Rd., and west side of Adell Ree Park Ln.			
APPX. SIZE OF TRACT:	15.9 acres			
SECTOR PLAN:	Northwest County			
GROWTH POLICY PLAN:	Urban Growth Area (Inside City Limits)			
ACCESSIBILITY:	Access is via Pineyh Grove Church Rd., a minor arterial street with a pavement width of 22' within a 60' wide right-of-way.			
UTILITIES:	Water Source: Knoxville Utilities Board			
	Sewer Source: Knoxville Utilities Board			
WATERSHED:	Ten Mile Creek			
ZONING:	R-1 (Low Density Residential)			
EXISTING LAND USE:	Public / Quasi Public Land			
PROPOSED USE:	Church Parking Lot			
HISTORY OF ZONING:	Church expansion, including parking lot, was approved in 2001 (11-C-01-UR)			
SURROUNDING LAND USE AND ZONING:	North: Detached houses / R-1 (Low Density Residential)			
	South: Attached houses and church / R-1 (Low Density Residential) and RP-1 (Planned Residential)			
	East: Attached and detached houses / RP-1 (Planned Residential)			
	West: Attached and detached houses / RP-1 (Planned Residential)			
NEIGHBORHOOD CONTEXT	This area of Middlebrook Pike and Piney Grove Church Rd. have been developed with residential uses, attached and detached houses, churches, and some small office and commercial uses.			

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

APPROVE the request for a church parking lot expansion in the R-1 zone, subject to 7 conditions.

- 1. Meeting all applicable requirements of the City of Knoxville Zoning Ordinance.
- 2. Meeting all applicable requirements of the City of Knoxville Department of Engineering.
- 3. Meeting all requirements of the Knox County Health Department.
- 4. Installing all landscaping, as shown on the development plan, within six month of issuance of occupancy permits for each phase of the project.
- 5. Meeting all requirements of the City of Knoxville Urban Forester.

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6. The two access points from Piney Grove Church Rd. must be gated at all times except for periods when church services are taking place.

7. Meeting all applicable requirements of the previously approved development plan for the church expansion (11-C-01-UR).

With the conditions noted above, this request meets all the requirements for approval in the R-1 zone, as well as other criteria for use on review approval.

COMMENTS:

This proposal revises the previously approved development plan from 2001 (11-C-01-UR) by modifying the proposed parking lot north of the church, referred to as the "Piney Grove site". The changes include adding approximately 80 more parking spaces and revising the management of stormwater by removing two detention basins and using pervious pavement in the parking stalls.

The overall expansion of the church and parking lot include 4 phases. The 1st phase has been completed and consisted of renovations to existing facilities, constructing a new multi-purpose building, and adding parking. This proposal is part of phase 2, which consists of renovating the existing sanctuary for new purposes, adding the proposed parking to the north lot, and constructing a new 2,000 seat sanctuary. Phases 3 & 4 include the construction of two more buildings that will include classrooms and other supportive spaces.

EFFECT OF THE PROPOSAL ON THE SUBJECT PROPERTY, SURROUNDING PROPERTIES AND THE COMMUNITY AS A WHOLE

1. To reduce cut thru traffic, the two access points from Piney Grove Church Rd. must be gated at all times except for periods when church services are taking place.

2. The plan provides a landscape buffer along the entirety of the property that abuts residential zoning, consistent with a Type "B" landscape screening (see attached).

3. The proposal is compatible with the surrounding development and will improve access to the church by providing an alternative entry point.

CONFORMITY OF THE PROPOSAL TO CRITERIA ESTABLISHED BY THE CITY OF KNOXVILLE ZONING ORDINANCE

1. The proposed church parking lot expansion is consistent with the general standards for uses permitted on review: The proposed development is consistent with the adopted plans and policies of the General Plan and One Year Plan. The use is in harmony with the general purpose and intent of the Zoning Ordinance. The use is compatible with the character of the neighborhood where it is proposed. The use will not significantly injure the value of adjacent property. The use will not draw additional traffic through residential areas.

2. The proposal meets all relevant requirements of the R-1 zoning district, as well as other criteria for approval of a use-on-review.

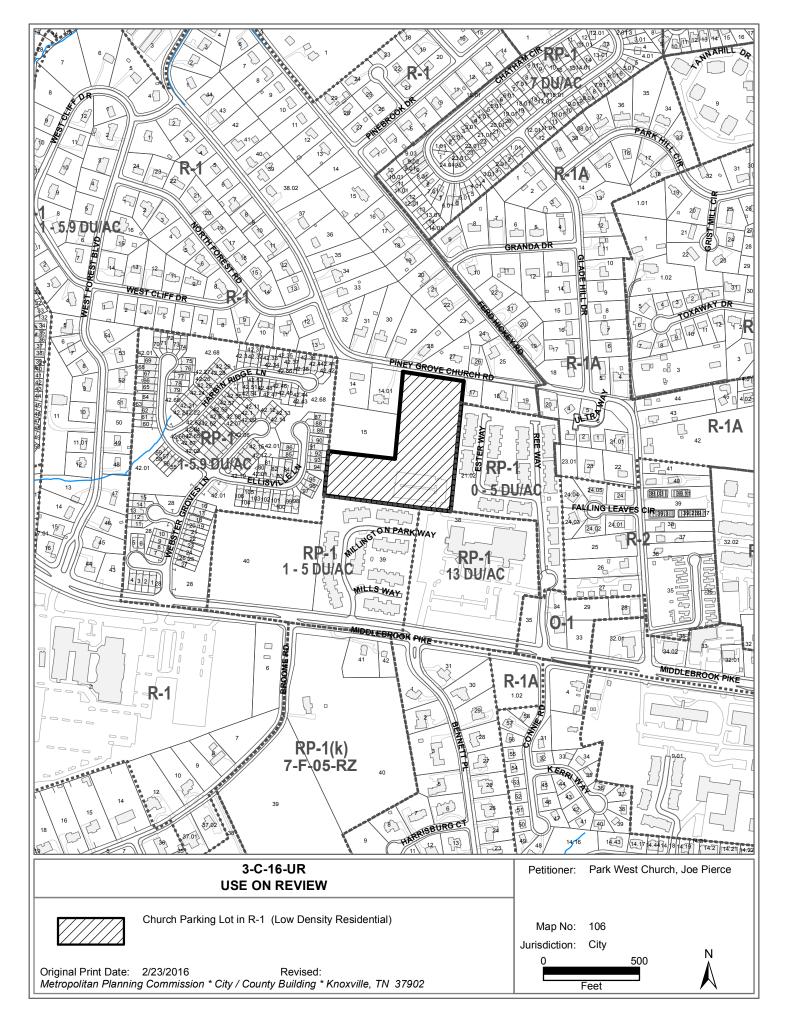
CONFORMITY OF THE PROPOSAL TO ADOPTED MPC PLANS

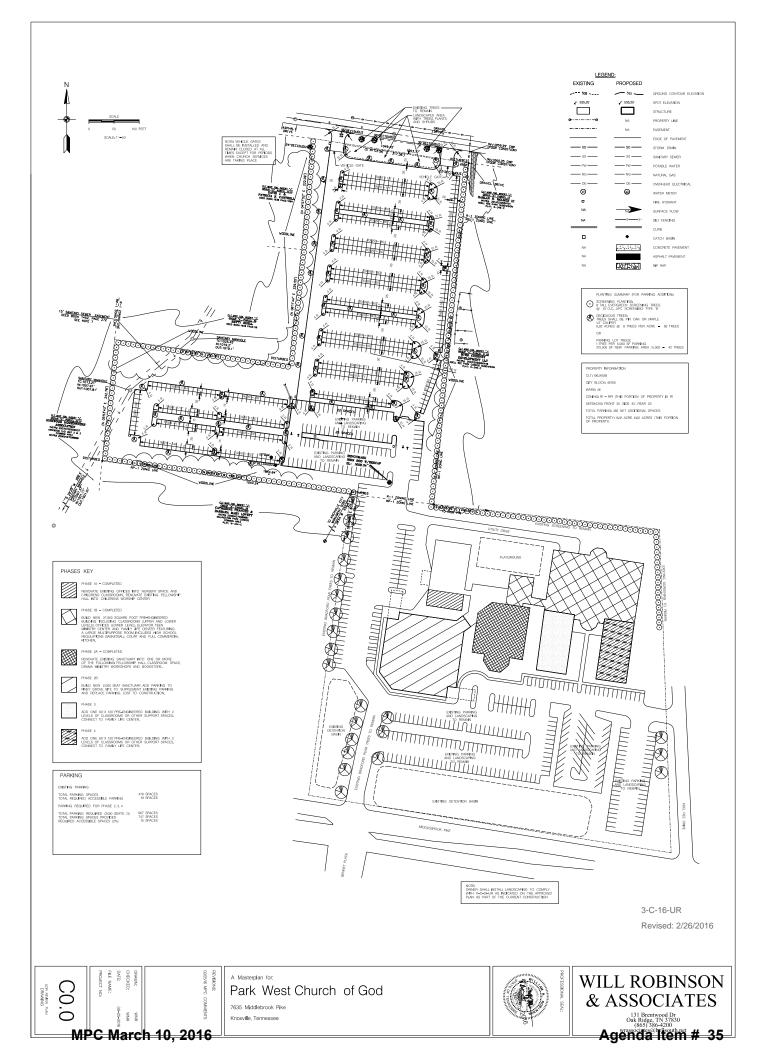
1. The use is in conformity with the One Year Plan and the Northwest County Sector Plan, which propose LDR (Low Density Residential) for the site.

ESTIMATED TRAFFIC IMPACT: Not required.

ESTIMATED STUDENT YIELD: Not applicable.

MPC's approval or denial of this request is final, unless the action is appealed to the Knoxville City Council. The date of the Knoxville City Council hearing will depend on when the appeal application is filed. Appellants have 15 days to appeal an MPC decision in the City.





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GUIDELINES LANDSCAPE SCREENING

Type "B" Screen: Continuous

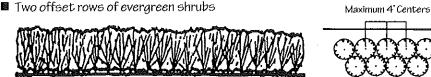
APPROPRIATE LOCATION: Screening parking and loading areas from adjoining residential and office districts

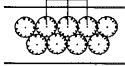
NOTE: Landscape buffer strips should be a minimum of 12 feet in width, and sown with grass or ground cover for their full width, allowing for mulch at the base of plantings.

SHRUB HEIGHT nstalled: 4 ft. Mature: 0 ft.

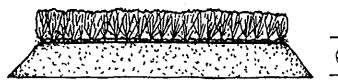
Installed: 2 ft. Mature: 3 ft.

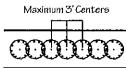
SHRUB HEIGHT





A continuous row of evergreen shrubs on a 3 ft. high earth berm

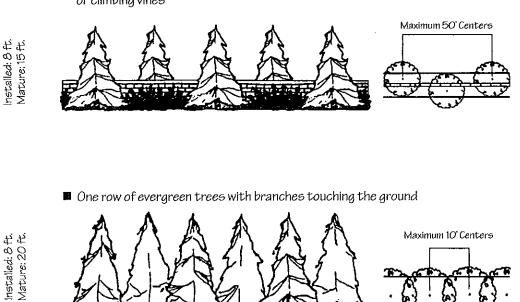




A 5 ft. high masonry wall or timber fence with evergreen trees and low shrubs or climbing vines

Installed: 8 ft. Mature: 15 ft. REE HEIGHT

FREE HEIGHT



INTRODUCTION

Landscape screening reduces the impact of intense development upon adjacent land uses by providing visual separation, reducing the transmission of glare and air pollution, and limiting access. Screening also promotes the aesthetic appeal of a neighborhood and promotes higher property values.

This series of design guidelines defines several types of landscape screen. Each type is applicable to a certain intensity of conflict between adjacent land uses. Each screen type is illustrated by several planting schemes with an equivalent height, density and opacity of landscaping.

MPC uses these guidelines to illustrate desirable levels of screening appropriate to various site planning situations. Creative alternatives which achieve a comparable effect are encouraged.

The contents of these guidelines are advisory and are intended to supplement, but not replace, the requirements of the Knoxville Zoning Ordinance and the Knox County Zoning Ordinance.

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