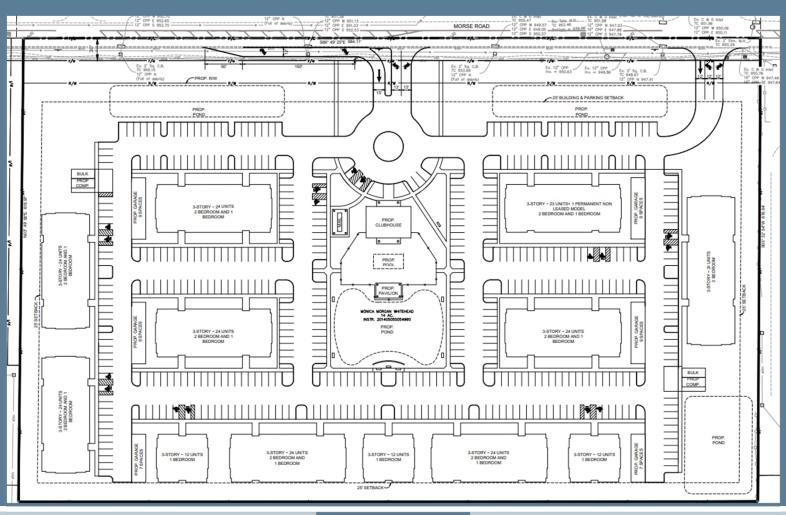


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- Requesting approval of Final Development Plan, Design Review, and Variances for a new apartment complex on Morse Rd
  - Zoned MFRD Multifamily Residential
- Rezoning, Conditional Uses and Variances approved in 2022
  - Rezoned from ER-1 (Estate Residential) to MFRD
  - The Conditional Uses allow for increased density and building height, accessory buildings, and a flexible arrangement of buildings
  - The Variances allow for reduced lot width, reduced parking setback from residential buildings, and an extension of the CU expiration

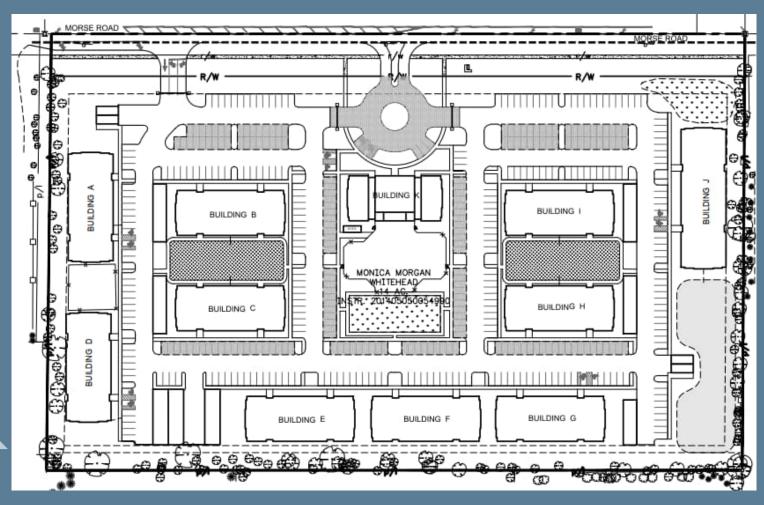
- 251 units on 13.96 acres or 18 du/acre
  - Permitted due to approved CU
- Includes model unit, clubhouse with ancillary amenity space, and freestanding garages
  - 7 garages and 11 residential structures, including clubhouse
- 505 proposed parking spaces
  - 444 uncovered spaces and 61 garage spaces
- 512 caliper inches of proposed trees; 280 required
  - Achieved with combination of existing and new trees
  - Site currently covered with mature vegetation

### Rezoning Site Plan



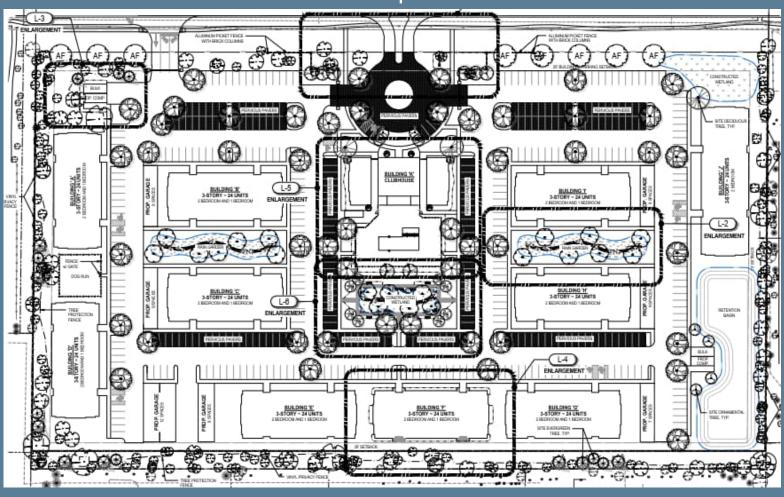
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#### Site Plan



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#### Landscape Plan



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#### Front Elevations



Buildings B, C, H, I

**Building J** 



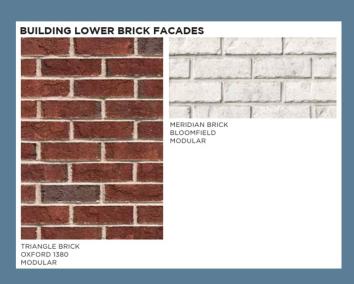


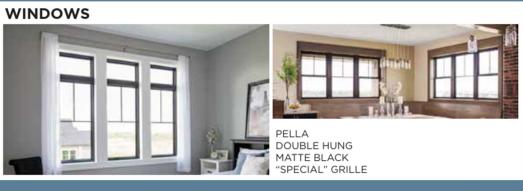
Building K

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#### **Proposed Materials**









- Requested Variances
  - 1167.18(c)(1) Screening of Trash Containers or Receptacles
    - Code requires that all trash containers be located to the rear of a primary structure
    - Trash container meets all other requirements including screening
    - Many variances to this provision have been approved in the past
  - 1163.08(h) Interior Landscaping Requirements
    - Code requires a 10-foot-wide island with screening for every two rows of parking
    - The layout and density of the site makes it difficult to meet this standard
    - Many variances to this provision have been approved in the past

#### Variance Criteria

- There are special circumstances or conditions applying to the land, building or use referred to in the application.
- The granting of the variance is necessary for the preservation and enjoyment of substantial property rights.
- The granting of the application will not be materially detrimental to the public welfare or injurious to property or improvements in such neighborhood.

#### Design Review Criteria

- Compatibility with existing structures
- Contributes to the improvement of the design of the district
- Contributes to the economic and community vitality of the district
- Maintain, protect, and enhance physical surroundings

#### Final Development Plan Criteria

- Plan meets applicable development standards
- Is in accord with appropriate plans for the area
- Would not have undesirable effects on area
- Consistent with land use character and development of the area

- Staff recommends approval of the Variances
  - Both variances are common requests that have been approved multiple times in the past
  - Variances are necessary to develop the site at this density
  - They will not have any adverse effects on the surrounding area

- Staff recommends approval of the Design Review
  - Landscaping and materials meet DR requirements
    - Brick, cement siding, board and batten, cement board
  - Code recommends "natural, historic, earthtones or similar colors"
    - Under purview of Planning Commission
- Staff recommends approval of the Final Development Plan
  - Exceeds minimum parking requirements
  - All landscaping and screening requirements are met
  - Lighting requirements are met

