

ZONING DIVISION 200 S. Hamilton Road Gahanna, Ohio 43230 614-342-4025 zoning@gahanna.gov www.gahanna.gov

CONDITIONAL USE APPLICATION

Project/Property Address or Location:		Project Name/Business Name:								
		Crescent at Central Park								
Parcel ID No.(s):	Zoning Designation:		Total Acreage:							
025-013767	Current: SPCD, F	roposed: LMFRD +/- 17.90								
Proposed Use:										
Development of site with multi-family residential development. Conditional use variance is requested										
to increase permitted dwelling units per building and maximum density.										
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APPLICANT Name-do <u>not</u> use a business na	me:	Applicant Address:								
Larry Canini		132 Preston Road, Columbus, Ohio 43209								
Applicant E-mail:		Applicant Phone No.:								
larry@caniniassociat	es.com	614.296.3	614.296.3872							
BUSINESS Name (if applicable):										
Crescent at Central Park LLC										
ADDITIONAL CONTACTS Please List Prime Name(s):	ary Contact for Corres	Contact Information								
David Hodge, Attorney for Applic	ant	Underhill and Hodge 8000 Walton Parkway, Suite 260 New Albany, Ohio 43054								
		614.335.9320 david@uhlawfirm.com								
PROPERTY OWNER Name: (if different from		Property Owner Contact Information (phone no./email):								
Crescent at Central Park I	LC	larry@caniniassociates.com, 614.296.3872								
APPLICANT SIGNATURE BELOW CONFIRMS THE SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS HAVE BEEN COMPLETED (see page 2)										
I certify that the information on this application is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge, and that the project as described, if approved, will be completed in accordance with the conditions and terms of that										
approval.										
Applicant/Primary Contact Signature: 2001 Date: 5-29-00										
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Zoning File No. CV-0117	2000 DATE	6-9-2020	D DATE: <u>6-9-2020</u>							



AUTHORIZATION CONSENT FORM

(must sign in the presence of a notary)

If you are filling out more than one application for the same project & address, you may submit a copy of this form with additional applications.

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Notary Public Signature:

IF THE PROPERTY OWNER IS THE APPLICANT, SKIP TO NEXT SECTION

As the property owner/authorized owner's representative of the subject property listed on this application, hereby authorize

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PROPERTY O	modifying the project. I agree to be bound by all terms and agreements made by the applicant/representative. Crescent at Central Park, LLC, Andre M. Buckles, Manager															
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	By: (property owner name printed) (property owner signature)	3-9-2020 (date)														
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entative	AGREEMENT TO COMPLY AS APPROVED As the applicant/representative/owner of the subject property listed on this application, I hereby agree that the project will be completed as approved with any conditions and terms of the approval and any proposed changes to the approval shall be submitted for review and approval to City staff. AUTHORIZATION TO VISIT THE PROPERTY I hereby authorize City representatives to visit, photograph and post notice (if applicable) on the subject property as described.															
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ZONING DESCRIPTION 17.9 +/- ACRES

Situated in the State of Ohio, County of Franklin, City of Gahanna, being in Quarter Township 3, Township 1, Range 16, United States Military Lands, being part of a 61.962 acre tract conveyed to Crescent at Central Park, LLC in Instrument Number 201711280167556, all records being of the Recorder's Office, Franklin County, Ohio and being more particularly bounded and described as follows:

BEGINNING at the northwesterly corner of a RESERVE "A" as delineated in Crescent At Central Park Section 1, as recorded in Plat Book 125 page 25, also being the northeasterly corner of the remainder of said 61.962 acre tract and on the southerly limited access right-of-way line of Interstate 270, as conveyed to the State of Ohio in Deed Book 3255, Page 559;

Thence along the easterly line of the remainder of said 61.962 acre tract and the westerly line of said Reserve "A", the following two (2) courses:

South 05°51'35 East, 943.66 feet to an angle point in aforesaid line;

South 18°21'04" West, 112.00 feet to a point;

Thence across said 61.962 acre tract, the following eleven (11) courses:

South 85°29'25" West, 362.01 feet to a point;

North 32°00'14" West, 26.09 feet to a point;

South 63°17'29" West, 123.46 feet to a point;

Along a curve to the left having a radius of 521.28 feet, a delta angle of 22°56'08", an arc length of 208.67 feet, and a chord bearing and distance of North 37°49'27" West, 207.28 feet to a point;

North 49°03'10" West, 107.68 feet to a point;

Along a curve to the right having a radius of 265.00 feet, a delta angle of 44°32'36", an arc length of 206.02 feet, and a chord bearing and distance of North 26°46'53" West, 200.87 feet to a point;

North 04°30'35" West, 27.45 feet to a point;

Along a curve to the right having a radius of 50.00 feet, a delta angle of 44°54'02", an arc length of 39.18 feet, and a chord bearing and distance of North 17°56'26" East, 38.19 feet to a point;

Along a curve to the left having a radius of 70.00 feet, a delta angle of 104°54'02", an arc length of 128.16 feet, and a chord bearing and distance of North 12°03'34" West, 111.00 feet to a point:

North 04°30'35" West, 168.38 feet to a point;

North 85°29'25" East, 185.00 feet to a point;

North 04°30'35" West, 449.74 feet to a point being on the northerly line of said 61.962 acre tract, and the southerly limited access right-of-way of said Interstate 270;

Thence along the northerly line of said 61.962 acre tract and the southerly limited access right-of-way line of said Interstate 270, the following three (3) courses:

North 85°11'53 East, 149.92 feet to an angle point in aforesaid line;

South 76°46'04" East, 202.24 feet to an angle point in aforesaid line;

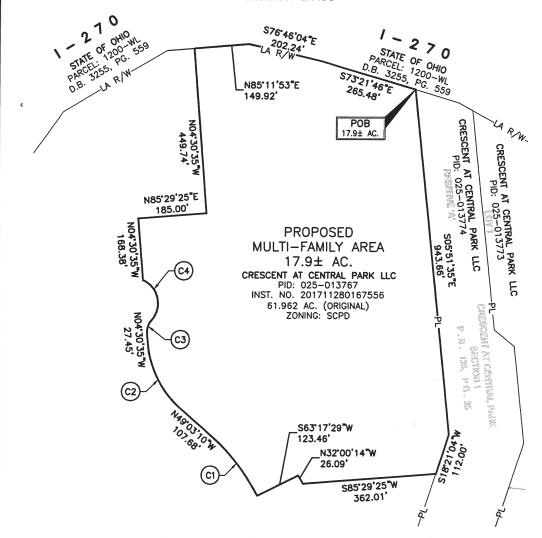
South 73°21'46" East, 265.48 feet to the **POINT OF BEGINNING**, containing 17.9 acres, more or less.

Bearings as described herein are based on are based on the bearings shown on Crescent at Central Park, Section 1 subdivision plat, of record in Plat Book 125, Page 25.

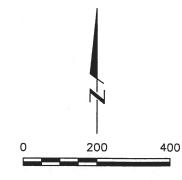
This description is based on records obtained by E.P. Ferris and Associates, Inc. in May, 2020 and is intended to be used for zoning purposes only.

17.9 ACRE ZONING BOUNDARY

STATE OF OHIO, COUNTY OF FRANKLIN, CITY OF GAHANNA, QUARTER TOWNSHIP 3, TOWNSHIP 1, RANGE 16, UNITED STATES MILITARY LANDS



CURVE TABLE								
NO.	LENGTH	RADIUS	DELTA	CHORD	CHORD BEARING			
C1	208.67	521.28'	22'56'08"	207.28'	N37°49'27"W			
C2	206.02	265.00'	44'32'36"	200.87	N26°46'53"W			
C3	39.18'	50.00'	44*54'02"	38.19'	N17*56'26"E			
C4	128.16	70.00'	104°54'02"	111.00'	N12°03'34"W			



BASIS OF BEARINGS: THE BEARINGS SHOWN HEREON ARE BASED ON THE BEARINGS SHOWN ON CRESCENT AT CENTRAL PARK, SECTION 1 SUBDIVISION PLAT, OF RECORD IN PLAT BOOK 125, PAGE 25.

E. P. FERR/S
ASSOCIATES

Consulting Civil Engineers and Surveyors

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PROPERTY OWNER:

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ATTORNEY:

Aaron L. Underhill Underhill & Hodge LLC 8000 Walton Parkway, Suite 260 New Albany, Ohio 43054

SURROUNDING PROPERTY OWNERS:

Walnut Creek Mob LLC 65 Hidden Ravine Drive, Suite 100 Powell, OH 43065

Andre Buckles 132 Preston Road Columbus, OH 43209

Columbus Regional Airport Authority (City of Columbus) 4600 International Gateway Columbus, OH 43219

MMAC HT II Gahanna OH LLC 495 E. Rincon Street, #208 Corona, CA 92879 Preston Development of Columbus LLC 2807 Delmar Drive Columbus, OH 43209

KVS Real Estate Holdings LLC 24020 W. Riverwalk Ct., #114 Plainfield, IL 60544

Douglas Wrightsel Weston Investments LLC 3220 Riverside Drive, #C-1 Columbus, OH 43221

RCS-COP II LLC c/o RCS 371 Centenniel Plaza, Suite 200 Louisville, CO 80027

City of Gahanna 200 South Hamilton Road Columbus, OH 43230

National Retail Properties LP 8111 Smiths Mill Road New Albany, OH 43054 501 Gahanna LLC 2950 E. Broad Street Columbus, OH 43209

LFT Development LLC or current occupant 560 Office Center Place Gahanna, OH 43230 Hickory's Properties LLC or current occupant 550 Office Center Place Columbus, OH 43230

Kemba Financial Credit Union, Inc. P.O. Box 307370 Columbus, OH 43230

DeMatteo Properties, Inc. or current occupant 520 Morrison Road Gahanna, OH 43230

Star Group Ltd. 251 Crossing Creek Way Columbus, OH 43230

CONDITIONAL USE STATEMENT

ADDRESS: Hamilton Road PARCEL: 025-013767 SIZE: +/- 17.90 acres

CURRENT: SCPD PROPOSED: L-MFRD

OWNER: Crescent at Central Park, LLC

APPLICANT: Crescent at Central Park, LLC c/o Larry Canini

ATTORNEY: David Hodge, Underhill & Hodge, LLC

DATE: September 4, 2020

Applicant respectfully submits this statement in support of its conditional use request.

I. Statement of the Proposed Use

The site is located southeast of the South Hamilton Road and Interstate 270 interchange and north of Tech Center Drive. The site is undeveloped property currently zoned in the Select Commercial Planned District (SCPD) classification. The Applicant proposes rezoning the property from SCPD to Limited Multi-Family Residential District (L-MFRD). The Applicant requests conditional uses pursuant to Gahanna Code of Ordinances Section 1149.02(a)(1) to permit the development of a multifamily residential development with buildings containing up to 16 dwelling units, 1149.02(a)(2) to permit more than one residential building on the same lot, Section 1149.02(a)(3) to permit an average density of 18 dwelling units per acre, and 1149.02(c) to permit accessory buildings in association with permitted dwellings. The Applicant proposes a total of 312 units on 17.90 acres for a density of 17.43 dwelling units per acre.

II. Statement of Desirability

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The Applicant proposes a project that addresses the stated needs of the community, which were adopted and incorporated into the 2019 Gahanna Land Use Plan. The requested conditional uses will allow the Applicant to develop the property in a manner which provides the needed apartments while maintaining quality development standards.

Notably, the "triangle" within the South Hamilton, Interstate 270, and Tech Center Drive is largely undeveloped. The proposed development will jumpstart further commercial development within the triangle and establish the area as a mixed-use commercial and residential node of Gahanna. Rooftops drive office and retail, without the former there is no market for the latter.

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The proposed use is a conditional use of the MFRD district, and appropriate applicable development standards are either met or warranted variances are incorporated to address unique specifics of the property, use, and surrounding circumstances. The density and height requested are appropriate in this location and given the thoughtful planning and building placement on the property.

(2) The proposed development is in accord with appropriate plans for the area.

The proposed development is appropriate for the area because the 2019 Gahanna Land Use Plan calls for mixed use within and adjacent to the Site. This is a classification which recommends retail, office, and residential at 10-30 dwelling units per acre.

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WHITE VINYL TRIM

CASTSTONE LINTEL



Building A Rear Elevation

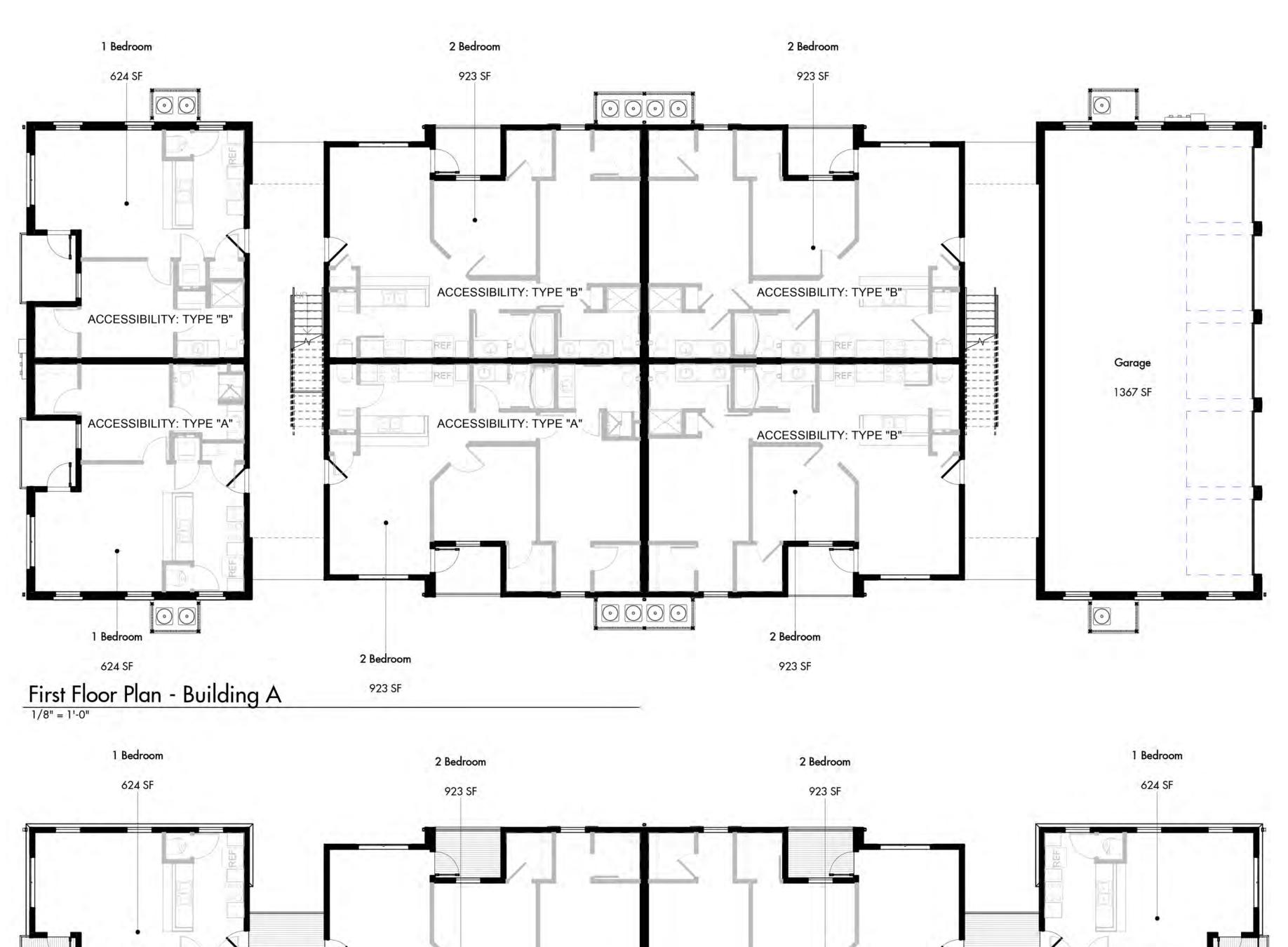


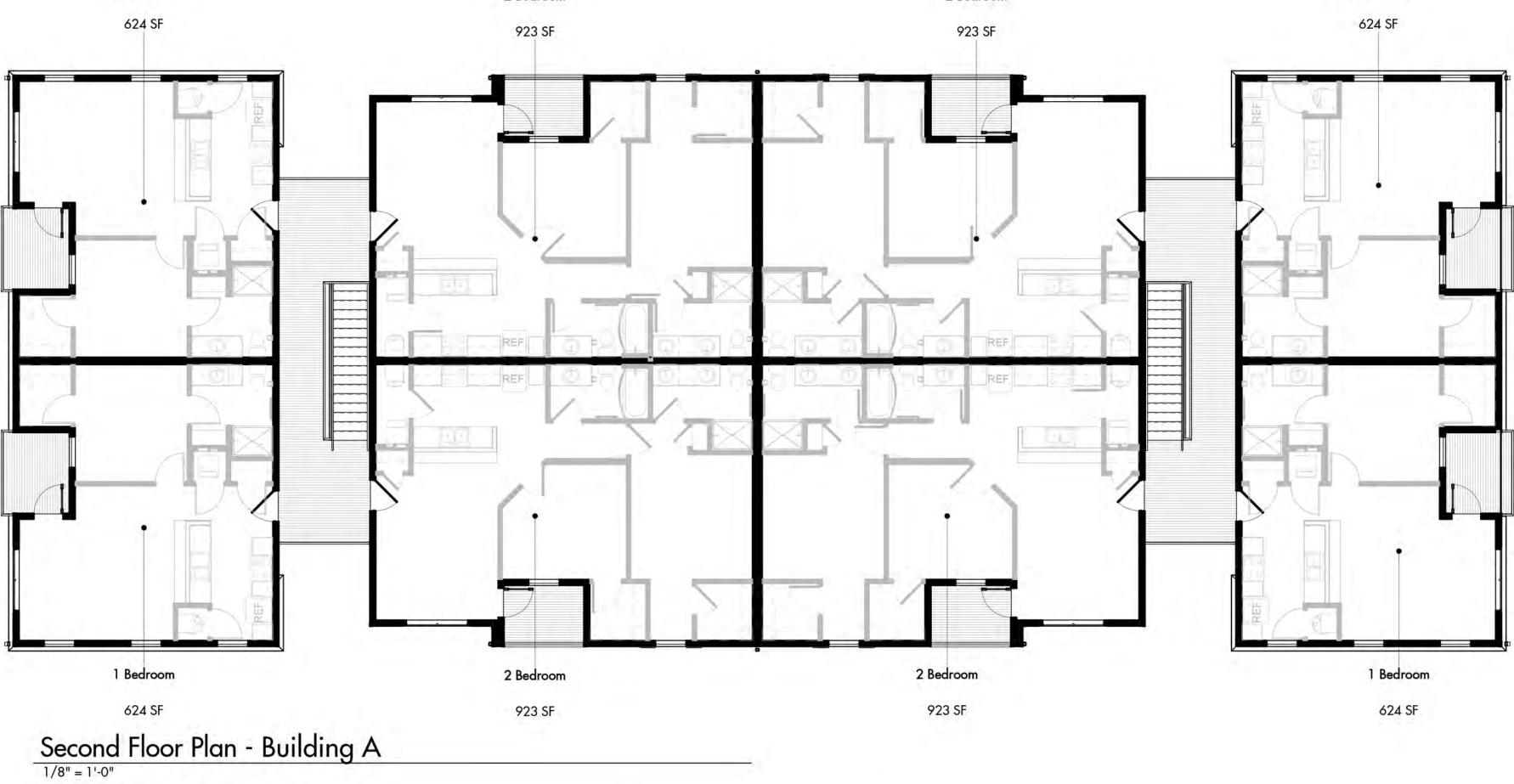
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Crescent Park

Building A Side Elev 2















Building B Front Elevation

WHITE VINYL TRIM



Building B Rear Elevation

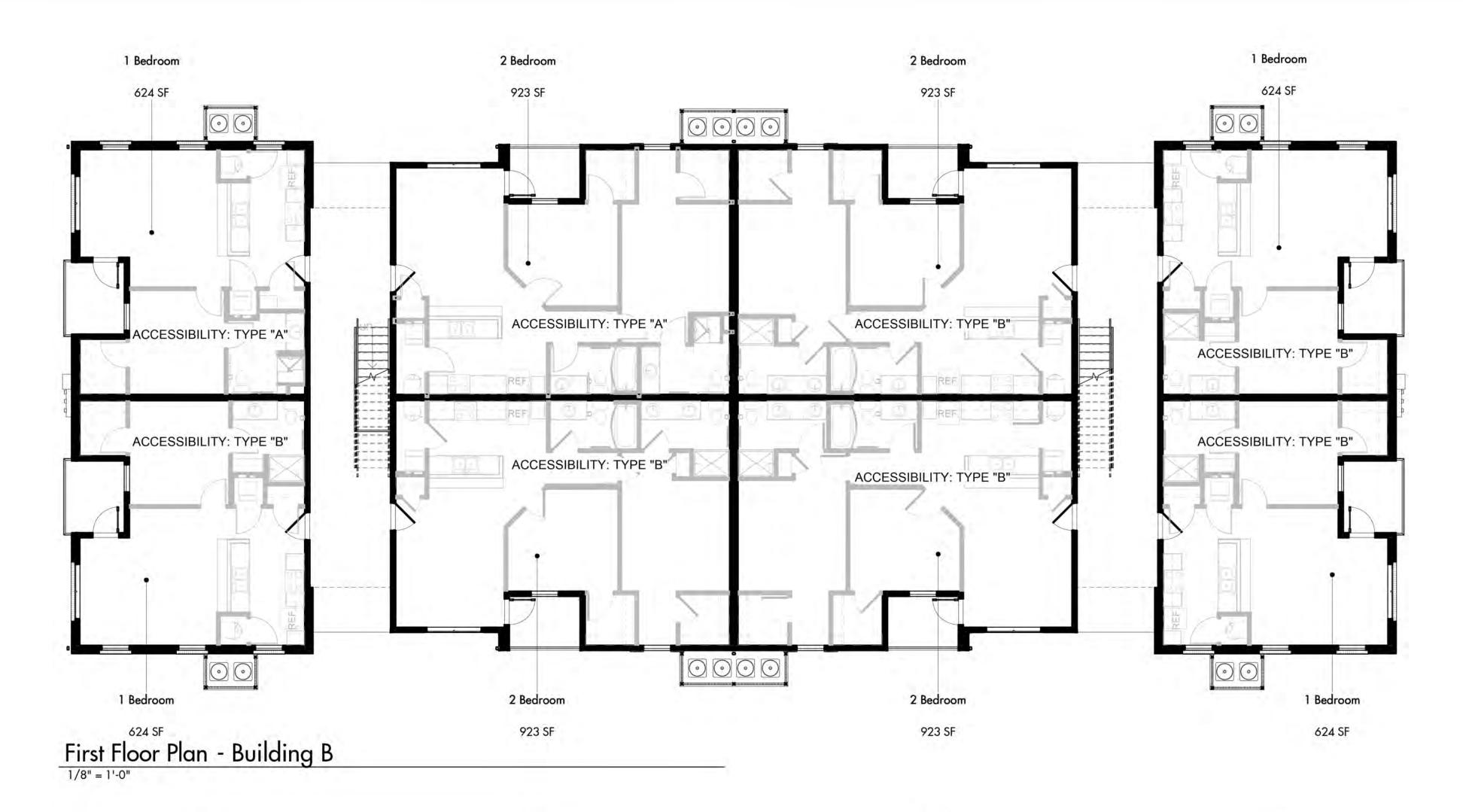


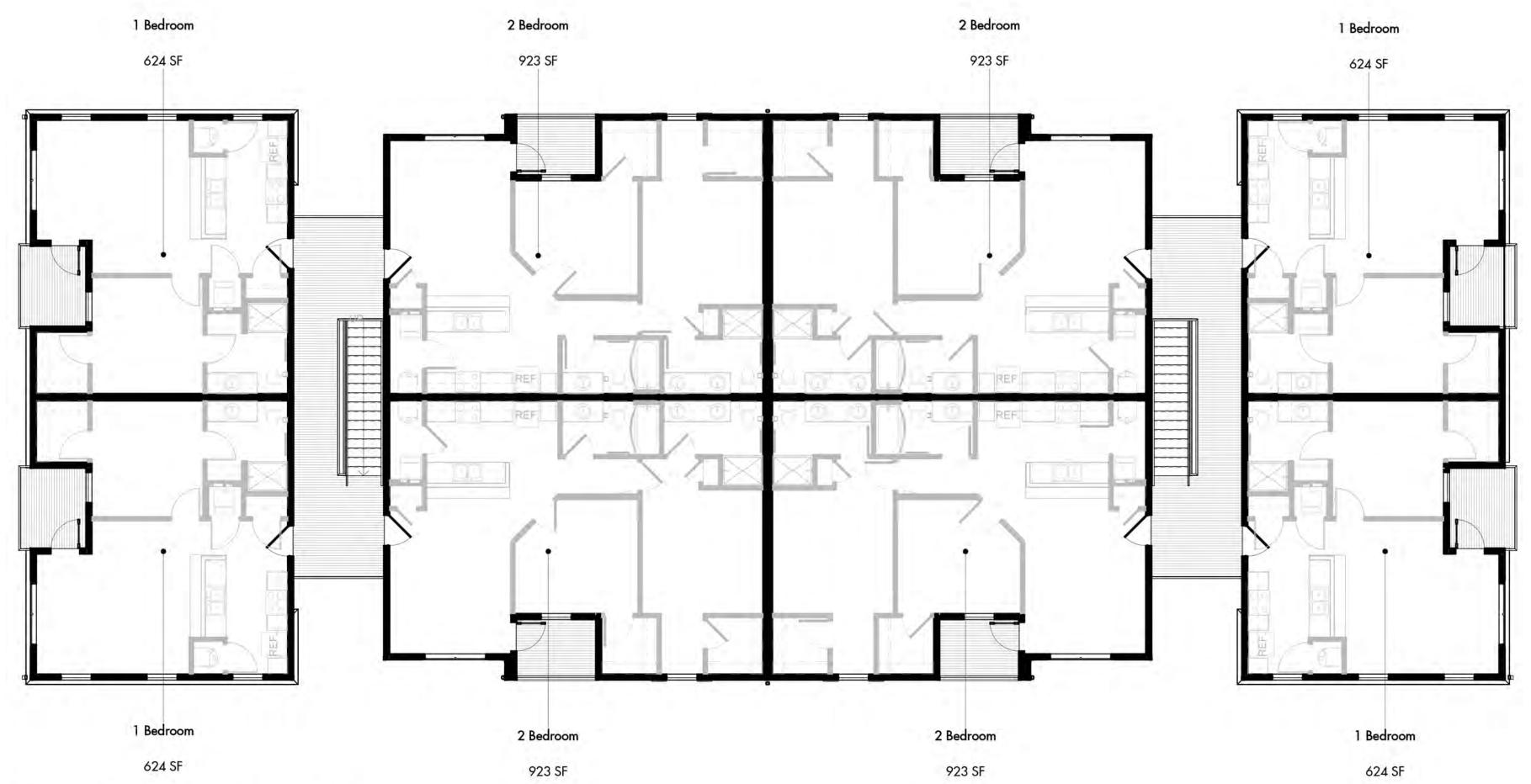
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Crescent Park

Building B Side Elev 2







Second Floor Plan - Building B

Crescent Park

















June 19, 2020

Crescent AT Central Park LLC 132 Preston Rd Columbus, OH 43209

RE: Project Crescent at Central Park Conditional Use Comment Letter

Parcel: 025013767

Dear Crescent AT Central Park LLC:

The following comments were generated from the review of the submitted plans and documents for the referenced project.

Parks

1. No Comment Per Julie Prederi.

Building

2. The project will be required to comply with all building codes.

Engineering

3. No comments at this time.

Community Development

4. Informational Comment - No objections to either conditional use. The proposed density is consistent with the recommendations of the land use plan and the mixed use FLUM.

Fire District

5. No Comment Received.

If you have any comments or questions, please contact me at kelly.wicker@gahanna.gov or (614) 342-4025.

Sincerely,

Kelly Wicker Administrative Assistant



PLANNING STAFF REPORT

Summary

A rezoning from Select Commercial Planned District (SCPD) to Limited Multiple Family Residential (L-MFRD) has been requested in order to develop the site with multifamily. The property is 17.5 acres but is only a portion of the property owned by the Buckles family and known and marketed as the Crescent at Central Park. Other portions of the property, approximately 46 acres, are being marketed for office and commercial uses. If approved, the rezoning would allow up to 312 apartments or a density of 17.43 acres per acre.

An overlay text has been provided that provides for uses, conceptual site layout, and building elevations. These elements are further refined through the final development plan (FDP) and design review (DR) process. However, if there are concerns with the proposed building elevations, materials, color, layout, these elements can be discussed and modified as part of the rezoning.

Companion applications, variance and conditional use, have also been filed. These applications are necessary at this time to permit the requested density and to generally permit the site layout.

Land Use Plan

The Comprehensive Land Use Plan designates the property as mixed use. Other portions of the property owned but not subject to this development proposal are Parkland and Professional Office. Density is recommended between 10-30 units per acre and building height at a maximum of 70 feet. Multifamily is a permitted use. Mixed use does not require a vertical mix of uses, meaning buildings may have a single use.

The property is also located with the South Gateway Focus Area. A development principle within this focus area is that the mixed use properties shall be limited to 20% of the development area. 43% of the mixed use portion of the site is proposed for residential.

The Land Use Plan makes recommendations. It does not mandate a specific use or intensity. The applicant has provided that additional land area for residential is necessary in order to keep building heights to no more than two stories. This is being done to mitigate aircraft noise.

Airport Feedback

The property is located just east of the John Glenn Columbus International Airport. The airport has identified this property as being within the 65 decibel noise contour. The airport recommends that no new noise sensitive land uses be allowed. In this context, residential is a noise sensitive land use. As with the land use plan, this is a recommendation and not a requirement.

If desired, Planning Commission could consider adding sound mitigation elements related to construction to the overlay text.

Rezoning

Planning Commission shall consider the following elements, among other criteria, when deciding the proposed change:

- 1. Consistency with the goals, policies and comprehensive land use plan of the City of Gahanna, including any corridor plans, or subarea plans.
 - The proposed rezoning to MFRD is consistent with the recommendations of the Land Use Plan of Mixed Use. The proposed density of 17.43 dwelling units is consistent with the land use plan. However, the acreage devoted to residential is over twice as large as the plan recommends.
- 2. Compatibility of the site's physical, geological, hydrological, and other environmental features with the potential uses allowed in the proposed zoning district.
- 3. Evidence the applicant cannot receive a reasonable return in investment through developing the property with one of the uses permitted under the current zoning.
- 4. Availability of sites elsewhere in the City that are already zoned for the proposed use.
 - Staff is not aware of many, if any, properties that are zoned MFRD and available for development. The Land Use Plan identified that 55.6% of all city properties are used for residential purposes and of those properties approximately 10% of those properties are multifamily. The land use plan also identified that housing trends in the region are shifting from traditional large lot single family to smaller lots and multifamily.
- 5. The compatibility of all the potential uses allowed in the proposed zoning district with the surrounding uses and zoning in terms of land suitability, impacts on the environment, density, nature of use, traffic impacts, aesthetics, infrastructure, and potential influence in the value of existing abutting lands or approved developments.
- 6. The capacity of City infrastructure and services to accommodate the uses permitted in the requested district without compromising the "health, safety, and welfare" of its citizens.
- 7. The apparent demand for the type of uses permitted in the requested zoning district in the City in relation to the amount of land in the City currently zoned to accommodate the demand.

Most inquiries that planning staff receives for development opportunities are for multifamily. These inquiries typically don't result in a development application as the City has few opportunities for development. It is staff's opinion that demand is high for multifamily and the availability of land is low.

Conditional Use

Several conditional uses are required to permit the application as presented. All of the conditional uses are related to multifamily uses. The MFRD code is written differently than most of the zoning code in that density, number of buildings, building height, accessory buildings, and number of units per building are all regulated by conditional use.

- Chapter 1149.02(a)(1) Buildings containing more than eight dwelling units
- Chapter 1149.02(a)(2) Two or more residential buildings on the same lot
- Chapter 1149.02(a)(3) Additional density averaging six units per acre up to an average density of 18 units per acre
- Chapter 1149.02(c) Accessory buildings and uses

Requests for a conditional use shall be approved if the following four conditions are met:

- 1. The proposed use is a conditional use of the zoning district and the applicable development standards established in this zoning ordinance are met.
- 2. The proposed development is in accord with the appropriate plans for the area.
- 3. The proposed development will not have undesirable effects on the surrounding area.
- 4. The proposed development will be in keeping with the existing land use character and physical development potential of the area.

Variance

The applicant has requested the following variances in order to permit the development. It should be noted that the variance to Chapter 1109.08 requires City Council approval. Therefore, Planning Commission would provide a recommendation on that variance request.

- Chapter 1109.08 Public areas
 - The code requires that multifamily projects donate land for recreation as part of the rezoning process. This requirement is in addition to requirements to pay a \$500 park fee and set aside land for open space. The applicant proposes to donate 34 acres of land to the City in lieu of the onsite dedication requirement. T
 - Staff and the applicant have had numerous conversations regarding this unique provision. Staff prefers the offsite dedication of 34 acres to onsite recreation.
- Chapter 1149.03(e) Rear yard setback
 - MFRD requires a minimum rear yard setback of not less than 25'. The applicant proposes 10'.
 - Staff does not object to this variance. The rear of the property, as defined by the zoning code, would be the east property line. The east property line abuts a preserve that is a separate parcel but is owned and maintained by the applicant. This gives the appearance of a rear yard much greater than 25'.
- Chapter 1149.03(b)(1) Lot width
 - MFRD requires lot width based on the number of units. 3,185' of lot width is required and 777' of lot width is provided.
 - Staff does not object to this variance as the correlation between multifamily density and frontage is highly unusual to be addressed in a zoning code. Lot width is typically associated with single family development in order to ensure properties are large enough to support a residential unit while providing appropriate setbacks. Multifamily developments typically don't have a specific lot frontage requirement. It should be

noted that other development parameters such as setbacks and open space are required in order to ensure compatibility.

- Chapter 1149.03(1)(5) Parking location
 - Parking shall not be closer than 25' to the front or rear of a main building. 8' is proposed.

Planning Commission shall not grant a variance unless it finds that all of the following conditions apply:

- a) There are special circumstances or conditions applying to the land, building or use referred to in the application.
- b) The granting of the variance is necessary for the preservation and enjoyment of substantial property rights.
- c) The granting of the application will not materially affect adversely the health or safety of persons residing or working in the neighborhood of the proposed use and will not be materially detrimental to the public welfare or injurious to property or improvements in such neighborhood.

Recommendation

Staff is generally in favor of residential, however, staff believes that the number of units and/or the acreage devoted to residential is inconsistent with the recommendations of the land use plan.

This particular property received more discussion than any other property in the City as it related to land use. The core question was to permit residential or not. Eventually it was decided that residential is integral to promoting a healthy job center but that the land area devoted to residential should be restricted to no more than 20%. This was determined to be the appropriate balance between residential and non-residential uses in the largest undeveloped property within the City.

Staff does not have objections to the conditional use or variance requests.

Location/Zoning Map



Respectfully Submitted By:
Michael Blackford, AICP
City Planner/Zoning Administrator