## UPDATED STAFF RECOMMENDATION ON PETITION FOR ZONE MAP AMENDMENT PLN-MAR-21-00016: HARRODSBURG ROAD, LLC

## STAFF RECOMMENDS: **DISAPPROVAL**, FOR THE FOLLOWING REASONS:



- 1. The requested rezoning to Highway Service Business (B-3) zone and the Planned Neighborhood Residential (R-3) are not in agreement with the 2018 Comprehensive Plan for the following reasons:
  - a. The requested zones are not recommended zones within the proposed Place-Type of the Comprehensive Plan and the applicant has not provided sufficient information as to how the zones fit the proposed Place-Type or Development Type.
  - b. The requested rezoning is not in agreement with the Goals, Objectives, and Policies of the 2018 Comprehensive Plan.
    - 1. The proposed development is not an integrated mixed-use development, it does not adaptively reuse the existing structure, nor does the proposed development seek to construct at a density or intensity that might be reflective of a major corridor in Lexington (Theme A, Goal #2, Theme A, Goal #2.a).
    - 2. The proposed development does not indicate the context and design features that they are seeking to promote; commercial opportunities actually represent a decrease in intensity and density of use compared to the neighboring commercial development (Theme A, Goal #2.b).
    - 3. The application does not indicate what forms of jobs might be created that will support and showcase local assets to create a variety of jobs (Theme C, Goal #1).
    - 4. The proposed development does not incorporate safe and integrated pedestrian facilities into the proposed development; nor is the proposed development pedestrian-oriented (Theme D, Goal #1.a).
    - 5. The proposed rezoning and associated development does not improve traffic operation strategies (Theme D, Goal 1.d).
  - c. The proposed development does not meet the intent of the Medium Density Non-Residential / Mixed Use Development Type as established on page 271 of the Comprehensive Plan.
  - d. The requested rezoning is not in agreement with the Development Criteria of the 2018 Comprehensive Plan. The following Development Criteria are not being meet with the proposed rezoning.
    - 1. A-DS4-2: New construction should be at an appropriate scale to respect the context of neighboring structures; however, along major corridors, it should set the future context in accordance with other Imagine Lexington corridor policies and Placebuilder priorities.
    - 2. A-DS5-3: Building orientation should maximize connections with the surrounding area and create a pedestrian-friendly atmosphere.
    - 3. A-DS5-4: Development should provide a pedestrian-oriented and activated ground level.
    - 4. A-DS7-1: Parking should be oriented to the interior or rear of the property for nonresidential or multi-family developments.
    - 5. A-DN3-1: Pedestrian-oriented commercial opportunities should be incorporated within residential neighborhoods.
    - 6. B-SU11-1: Green infrastructure should be implemented in new development. (E-GR3)
    - 7. C-DI1-1: Consider flexible zoning options that will allow for a wide range of jobs.
    - 8. C-LI6-1: Developments should incorporate multi-family housing and walkable commercial uses into development along arterials/corridors.
    - 9. C-LI7-1: Developments should create mixed-use neighborhoods with safe access to community facilities, greenspace, employment, businesses, shopping, and entertainment.
    - 10. C-PS10-3: Over-parking of new developments should be avoided. (B-SU5)
    - 11. D-PL9-1: Historically significant structures should be preserved.
    - 12. D-PL10-1: Activate the streetscape by designating public art easements in prominent locations.
    - 13. E-GR4-1: Developments should incorporate reuse of viable existing structures.
    - 14. E-GR9-4: Development should intensify underutilized properties and develop vacant and underutilized gaps within neighborhoods. (E-GR6)





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- 15. E-GR10-2: Developments should provide walkable service and amenity-oriented commercial spaces.
- 16. A-DS1-2: Direct pedestrian linkages to transit should be provided.
- 17. A-DS5-1: Adequate multi-modal infrastructure should be provided to ensure vehicular separation from other modes of transport.
- 18. A-DS5-2: Roadways should provide a vertical edge, such as trees and buildings.
- 19. A-DS13-1: Stub streets should be connected. (D-CO4)
- A-EQ3-2: Development on corridors should be transit-oriented (dense & intense, internally walkable, connected to adjacent neighborhoods, providing transit infrastructure & facilities). (B-SU3)
- 21. D-CO1-1: Rights-of-way and multi-modal facilities should be designed to reflect and promote the desired place-type.
- 22. D-CO2-1: Safe facilities for all users and modes of transportation should be provided.
- 23. D-CO2-2: Development should create and/or expand a safe, connected multi-modal transportation network that satisfies all users' needs, including those with disabilities.
- 24. D-CO4-2: Roadway capacity should be increased by providing multiple parallel streets, which alleviate traffic and provide multiple route options, in lieu of additional lanes.
- 2. There have been no major unanticipated changes of an economic, social or physical nature in the area of the subject property since the adoption of the 2018 Comprehensive Plan.
- 3. The applicant has not provided evidence as to why the current zoning is inappropriate and the proposed zoning is the appropriate zone for this location.





