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## RECOMMENDATION OF THE URBAN COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION OF LEXINGTON AND FAYETTE COUNTY, KENTUCKY

IN RE: PLN-MAR-24-00005: JENNY TALBOTT – a petition for a zone map amendment from a Professional Office (P-1) to Planned Neighborhood Residential (R-3) zone for 0.404 net (0.522 gross) acres for property located at 592 Eureka Springs Drive. (Council District 5)

Having considered the above matter on <u>March 28, 2024</u>, at a Public Hearing, and having voted <u>9-0</u> that this Recommendation be submitted to the Lexington-Fayette Urban County Council, the Urban County Planning Commission does hereby recommend <u>APPROVAL</u> of this matter for the following reasons:

- 1. The requested Planned Neighborhood Residential (R-3) zone is in agreement with the 2045 Comprehensive Plan's Goals and Objectives, for the following reasons:
  - a. The proposal will expand housing choices (Theme A, Goal #1) and will allow for a greater mixture of housing types by introducing new single-family attached residential units within the immediate area (Theme A, Objective #1.b).
  - b. The request will more effectively use an underutilized parcel within the urban service area (Theme E, Goal #1.e).
  - c. By reusing an existing structure, the request ensures that the development will remain at a compatible scale with the surrounding neighborhood (Theme A, Goal #2.b).
- 2. The requested Planned Neighborhood Residential (R-3) zone is in agreement with the 2045 Comprehensive Plan's Policies, for the following reasons:
  - a. The proposal creates a people first design by providing bicycle facilities, maintaining the existing pedestrian networks, and providing close connections to transit (Theme A, Design Policy #1).
  - b. The proposal is in agreement with the applicable Multi-family Design Standards, emphasizing the continuation of the structure's current design and scale, the continuation of the existing pedestrian network, as well as the increase in open space (Theme A, Design Policy #2).
  - c. The proposal provides additional variety to the housing stock in this area (Theme A, Design Policy #8).
- 3. The justification and corollary development plan are in agreement with the policies and development criteria of the 2045 Comprehensive Plan.
  - a. The proposed rezoning meets the criteria for Land Use, as the request increases the residential density on-site (A-DN-2-1), and introduces an appropriately scaled multi-family residential use into an area characterized by single-family detached and duplex uses (E-GR9-3).
  - b. The proposed rezoning meets the criteria for Transportation, Connectivity, and Walkability as it retains the existing sidewalk network that serves the site (A-DS4-1), and provides for a pedestrian connection to the transit stop at Yellowstone Parkway (A-DS1-2).
  - c. These proposed rezoning addresses the Environmental Sustainability and Resiliency development criteria, as the site does not impact any environmentally sensitive areas (B-PR2-1), reduces the amount of vehicular use area on-site (B-SU4-1), and increases the tree canopy present (B-PR7-1; B-RE1-1).
  - d. The proposal addresses the criteria for Site Design, as the request avoids overparking (C-PS10-2), creates a programmed picnic area in the open space (D-PL4-1), and provides sidewalk connections to the surrounding neighborhood (C-LI8-1).

- e. The proposed rezoning meets the criteria for Building Form by adaptively re-utilizing the existing structure into a more dense residential use (E-GR4-1) and by meeting the applicable Multi-family Design Standards (A-DS3-1).
- 4. This recommendation is made subject to approval and certification of PLN-MJDP-24-00012: East Hills Subdivision Unit 5-D (AMD) prior to forwarding a recommendation to the Urban County Council. This certification must be accomplished within two weeks of the Planning Commission's approval.

ATTEST: This 12th day of April, 2024.

LARRY FORESTER

CHAIR

K.R.S. 100.211(7) requires that the Council take action on this request by June 26, 2024

Note: The corollary development plan, PLN-MJDP-24-00012: East Hills Subdivision Unit 5-D (AMD) was approved by the Planning Commission on March 28, 2024 and certified on April 11th, 2024.

At the Public Hearing before the Urban County Planning Commission, this petitioner was represented by Christopher Clendenen, attorney.

## **OBJECTORS**

None.

## **VOTES WERE AS FOLLOWS:**

**AYES:** 

(9)

Nicol, Meyer, Barksdale, Pohl, Worth, Zach Davis, Wilson, Michler,

Owens

NAYS:

(0)

ABSENT:

(2)

Forester and Johnathon Davis

ABSTAINED:

(0)

DISQUALIFIED: (0)

Motion for **APPROVAL** of **PLN-MAR-24-00005** carried.

Enclosures:

Application Justification Legal Description

Plat

Development Snapshot

Staff Reports

Applicable excerpts of minutes of above meeting