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

IN RE: PLN-MAR-16-00003: TAYLORMADE REAL ESTATE, LLC (AMD) – amended petition for a zone map amendment from an Agricultural Urban (A-U) zone to a Neighborhood Business (B-1) zone, for 5.79 net (7.88 gross) acres; Agricultural Urban (A-U) zone to a Townhouse Residential (R-1T) zone, for 2.38 net and gross acres; Agricultural Urban (A-U) zone to a Single Family Residential (R-1D) zone, for 6.72 net and gross acres; Townhouse Residential (R-1T) zone to a Single Family Residential (R-1D) zone, for 1.49 net (1.88 gross) acres; Townhouse Residential (R-1T) zone with conditional zoning restrictions to a Townhouse Residential (R-1T) zone without conditional zoning restrictions, for 1.49 net (1.93 gross) acres; and Single Family Residential (R-1D) zone to a Townhouse Residential (R-1T) zone, for 0.26 net and gross acres, for property located at 4145 and 4235 Harrodsburg Road. (Council District 10)

Having considered the above matter on October 27, 2016, at a Public Hearing, and having voted 10-0 that this Recommendation be submitted to the Lexington-Fayette Urban County Council, the Urban County Planning Commission does hereby recommend APPROVAL of this matter for the following reasons:

- 1. The proposed combination of Neighborhood Business (B-1) zoning, Townhouse Residential (R-1T) zoning and Single Family Residential (R-1D) zoning is in agreement with the 2013 Comprehensive Plan, for the following reasons:
  - a. The Goals and Objectives of the Plan encourage an expansion of housing choices and housing near employment/commercial areas (Theme A, Goal #1); support infill and redevelopment as a strategic component of growth (Theme A, Goal #2); maintain the urban forest (Theme A, Goal #3.d.); and provide compact, contiguous and/or mixed-use sustainable development to accommodate future growth needs (Theme E, Goal #1.b.).
  - b. The applicant proposes a mixed-use development, with pedestrian connectivity throughout and to the adjoining Palomar neighborhood to the northwest and northeast of the subject site. The development also provides a variety of housing types that are located near existing and proposed employment/commercial areas.
  - c. The applicant is proposing a residential density of 3.92 dwelling unit per acre, which within the range recommended for the site by previous Comprehensive Plans, in addition to neighborhood commercial opportunities.
  - d. The applicant intends to preserve many significant trees on the subject properties in order to maintain the minimum tree canopy requirements for this development.
- 2. The proposed development generally meets the Complete Streets concept (with the exception of the Almond Way termination), which includes the design and use of the right-of-way for vehicles, bicycles and pedestrians, as recommended by Theme D, Goal #1.a. of the 2013 Comprehensive Plan. The connection of local and collector streets with the subject properties is of vital importance to ensure the proposed development functions as a part of the neighborhood it is proposed to serve. Without these vital connections, the development cannot

meet the goals established in "Chapter 6: Improving a Desirable Community" for reduced traffic congestion and connectivity of adjoining land uses for a complete street network.

3. This recommendation is made subject to approval and certification of <u>PLN-MJDP-16-00008</u>: Ethington & <u>Ethington Property</u>, 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 14<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2016.

Secretary, Jim Duncan

WILLIAM WILSON

**CHAIR** 

<u>Note</u>: The corollary development plan, <u>PLN-MJDP-16-00008</u>: <u>ETHINGTON & ETHINGTON PROPERTY</u> was approved by the Planning Commission on October 27, 2016 and certified on November 10, 2016.

K.R.S. 100.211(7) requires that the Council take action on this request by January 25, 2017.

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

## **OBJECTORS**

- Joe Clabes, 4033 Palomar Boulevard, was present on behalf of the Palomar Hills
- Association Board
- Prescott Hill, Mangrove Drive

## **OBJECTIONS**

- Increased traffic and speeding in the area.
- Increased cut-thru traffic and congestion; tree preservation is sufficient.

## **VOTES WERE AS FOLLOWS:**

AYES:

(10) Berkley, Cravens, Drake, Mundy, Owens, Penn, Plumlee, Richardson, Smith, and

Wilson

NAYS:

(0)

ABSENT:

(1) Brewer

ABSTAINED:

(0)

DISQUALIFIED: (0)

Motion for APPROVAL of PLN-MAR-16-00003 carried.

Enclosures:

Application Plat Staff Report

Applicable excerpts of minutes of above meeting