

May 15, 2017

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CHARLOTTE-MECKLENBURG
PLANNING

REQUEST Current Zoning: R-4 and R-5 (single-family residential)

Proposed Zoning: UR-2(CD) (urban residential, conditional)

LOCATION Approximately 0.86 acres located at the northeast intersection of Park

Road and Reece Road. (Council District 6 - Smith)

SUMMARY OF PETITION The petition proposes to allow the development of six attached

townhomes and one single family detached home at a density of eight

dwelling units per acre on a parcel adjacent to the Park Road

Shopping Center.

PROPERTY OWNER PETITIONER

AGENT/REPRESENTATIVE

Lois H. Huffstetler Revocable Trust

Hopper Communities, Inc.

John Carmichael, Robinson, Bradshaw & Hinson, P.A.

COMMUNITY MEETING Meeting is required and has been held. Report available online.

Number of people attending the Community Meeting: 6

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends approval of this petition upon resolution of outstanding issues related to site and building design.

Plan Consistency

The petition is consistent with the *Park Woodlawn Area Plan* recommendation for moderate density residential development up to 12 dwelling units per acre.

Rationale for Recommendation

- The proposed development is across the street from the Park Road/Woodlawn Road Activity Center.
- The increased density proposed for the subject site will result in more residents living within walking distance of the Activity Center.
- The proposed development will also provide a transition between the more intensely developed Activity Center and the established single family residential development located north and east of the site.
- The development has been designed to be compatible with the adjacent single family residential by limiting the maximum building height of the attached dwelling units to 40 feet, which is the height allowed for the single family homes.
- The proposed development also includes an eight-foot planting strip and six-foot sidewalk which will improve both safety and the pedestrian experience for this site.

PLANNING STAFF REVIEW

Proposed Request Details

The site plan accompanying this petition contains the following provisions:

- Allows up to six single family attached and one detached dwelling units at a maximum density
 of eight dwelling units per acre.
- Dedication of 40 feet of right-of-way measured from the centerline of Park Road.
- Thirteen foot-planting strip and eight-foot sidewalk will be installed along Park Road.
- Eight foot-planting strip and six-foot sidewalk will be installed along Reece Road.
- Single family attached will be limited to three stories and 40 feet with optional rooftop terraces.
- Single family detached unit will be limited to three stories in height.
- Single family detached home will have a 30-foot setback from the future back of curb along Park Road.
- Attached units will be rear loaded and accessed from Reece Road.
- Building elevations of the proposed structures are shown.
- Provides the following architectural treatments:
 - Building materials will be a combination of portions of the following: brick, stone, precast

stone, precast concrete, synthetic stone, cementitious fiber board, stucco. Vinyl, EIFS, or aluminum may only be used on windows, garage doors, soffits, trim and handrails/railings.

- Single family detached structure will face Park Road.
- Single family attached units will face Reece Road.
- Minimum two-car garage for the single family attached units.
- Freestanding lighting will be limited to 16 feet in height.

Existing Zoning and Land Use

- The site is currently developed with four single family residential structures.
- The property to the north and east is zoned R-4 (single family residential) and R-5 (single family residential), and is developed with residential structures.
- The property to the south is zoned R-22MF (multi-family residential) and B-2(CD) (general business, conditional) and is developed with a multi-family residential building and commercial building as part of the Park Road Shopping Center area.
- The properties to the west are zoned R-4 (single family residential), R-22MF (multi-family residential), and O-2 (office), and are developed with a religious institutional use (Park Road Baptist Church) and commercial office uses.
- See "Rezoning Map" for existing zoning in the area.

Rezoning History in Area

 Petition 2015-093 southwest of the site along Drexel Place is currently seeking a rezoning from R-4 (single-family) and UR-2(CD) (urban residential, conditional) to allow the possible development of 265 residential units.

Public Plans and Policies

• The Park Woodlawn Area Plan (2013) recommends residential uses up to 12 dwelling units per acre.

• TRANSPORTATION CONSIDERATIONS

- The site is at the unsignalized intersection of a major thoroughfare and a local street. The current site plan preserves space for a future bike lane along the Park Road frontage and does not substantially change the existing condition of residential driveways on the site. CDOT continues to request right-of-way or easement to back of sidewalk.
- See Outstanding Issues, Note 6.

Vehicle Trip Generation:

- Current Zoning:
 - Existing Use: 70 trips per day (based on five dwelling units).
 - Entitlement: 70 trips per day (based on five dwelling units).
- Proposed Zoning: 70 trips per day (based on seven dwelling units).

DEPARTMENT COMMENTS (see full department reports online)

- Charlotte Area Transit System: No issues.
- Charlotte Department of Neighborhood & Business Services: No issues.
- Charlotte Fire Department: No on street parking along roads that are less than 26 feet clear width.
- Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools: The development allowed under the existing zoning would generate three students, while the development allowed under the proposed zoning will produce one student. Therefore, the net increase in the number of students generated from existing zoning to proposed zoning is zero students.
 - The proposed development is not projected to increase the school utilization (without mobile classroom units), and utilization will remain as follows:
 - Selwyn Elementary at 181%;
 - Alexander Graham Middle at 112%; and
 - Myers Park High at 114%.
- Charlotte Water: Charlotte Water has water system availability for the rezoning boundary via an existing eight-inch water distribution main located along Park Road and an existing six-inch water main located along Reece Road and sewer system availability via an existing eight-inch gravity sewer main located along Park Road.

Engineering and Property Management:

Arborist: No trees can be removed from or planted in the right-of-way of Park Road and Reece Road without permission of the City Arborist's office. The petitioner also must submit a tree survey for all trees two inches or larger located in the rights of way. In addition, the survey shall include all trees eight inches or larger in the setback.

- Erosion Control: No issues.
 Land Development: No issues.
 Storm Water Services: No issues.
- Urban Forestry: No issues.
- Mecklenburg County Land Use and Environmental Services Agency: No issues.
- Mecklenburg County Parks and Recreation Department: No issues.

OUTSTANDING ISSUES

Site and Building Design

- 1. Provide 30-foot setback from the back of the future curb for the attached unit along Park Road.
- 2. Label future back of curb setback on the proposed site plan.
- 3. Limit height of proposed attached structures to 40 feet including the proposed head houses (stairwell with ac units) and rooftop access.
- 4. Remove note number "4" under D Architectural Standards.
- 5. Label proposed height of detached single family structure.
- 6. Add a note and provide screening shrubs to screen driveway for the attached units from Park Road.
- 7. Adjust corner unit at the intersection of Park Road and Reece Road to meet a 30 foot setback.
- 8. Annotate proposed building elevations with the proposed building materials.

Transportation

9. The petitioner should revise the site plan to add a note specifying dedication and fee simple conveyance of all rights of way to the City before the site's first building certificate of occupancy is issued. CDOT requests right of way set at back of sidewalk.

Attachments Online at www.rezoning.org

- Application
- Site Plan
- Locator Map
- Community Meeting Report
- Department Comments
 - Charlotte Area Transit System Review
 - Charlotte Department of Neighborhood & Business Services Review
 - Charlotte Fire Department Review
 - Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools Review
 - Charlotte Water Review
 - Engineering and Property Management Review
 - City Arborist Review
 - Erosion Control
 - Land Development
 - Storm Water
 - Urban Forestry
 - Mecklenburg County Land Use and Environmental Services Agency Review
 - Mecklenburg County Parks and Recreation Review
 - Transportation Review

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