

## Charlotte Department of Transportation Memorandum

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**To:** Tom Drake & Tammie Keplinger

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**Subject:** Rezoning Petition 09-067: Located on the north side of South Tryon

Street between Moss Road and Lions Mane

Street

Consistency with Transportation Action Plan (TAP): The two goals of the TAP that most directly affected the staff's review of this petition define the integration of land use and transportation, and the provision of transportation choices.

- Goal 1 of the TAP relies on implementation of the Centers, Corridors and Wedges land
  use strategy. This project site is located in a Wedge. Such areas should include an
  interconnected network of thoroughfares and local streets. Specific comments are
  provided below to link proposed changes in land use with improved transportation
  network.
- Goal 2 of the TAP describes various connectivity and design features that are important for motorists, pedestrians and bicyclists. Specific comments are provided below to bring the petition into compliance with best practices for multimodal transportation.

## Vehicle Trip Generation

This site could generate approximately 10 trips per day as currently zoned. Under the proposed zoning the site could generate approximately 170 trips per day. This will have a minor impact on the surrounding thoroughfare system.

The following are requirements of the developer that must be satisfied prior to driveway permit approval. We offer these comments for information only.

- 1. The developer needs to provide bicycle parking, which should ideally be located near the primary entrance of the structure.
- 2. Adequate sight triangles must be reserved at the existing/proposed street entrance(s). Two 35' x 35' and two 10' x 70' sight triangles are required for the entrance(s) to meet requirements. All proposed trees, berms, walls, fences, and/or identification signs must not interfere with sight distance at the entrance(s). Such items should be identified on the site plan.

- 3. Only one (1) driveway connection to South Tryon Street will allowed. Since the proposed site will intensify the land use, most likely NCDOT will require a new driveway permit which will need to be submitted to CDOT and the North Carolina Department of Transportation for review and approval. The exact driveway location and type/width of the driveway(s) will be determined by CDOT/NCDOT during the driveway permit process. The site access will be limited to right-in/right-out movements.
- 4. Any fence or wall constructed along or adjacent to any sidewalk or street right-of-way requires a certificate issued by CDOT.
- 5. A Right-of-Way Encroachment Agreement is required for the installation of any non-standard item(s) (irrigation systems, decorative concrete pavement, brick pavers, etc.) within a proposed/existing City maintained street right-of-way by a private individual, group, business, or homeowner's/business association. An encroachment agreement must be approved by CDOT prior to the construction/installation of the non-standard item(s). Contact CDOT for additional information concerning cost, submittal, and liability insurance coverage requirements.

If we can be of further assistance, please advise.

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Rezoning File