MANDATORY REFERRAL REPORT NO. 00-25 CHARLOTTE-MECKLENBURG PLANNING COMMISSION

ACCEPT DONATION OF PROPERTY TO MECKLENBURG COUNTY JULY 2000

PROJECT LOCATION

This project involves a .184 acre parcel located off Wilkinson Boulevard near the Catawba River (parcel #113-341-03/see attached map.)

PROJECT PROPOSAL

A property owner desires to donate to the County a .184 acre parcel of land. The land is located adjacent to land that the Mecklenburg County Parks and Recreation Department currently owns.

PROJECT JUSTIFICATION

The donated land will provide additional property adjacent to property Mecklenburg County currently owns. This property adds to the inventory of land that could potentially be used for park land and/or open space.

PROJECT IMPACT

This site and the surrounding property is currently vacant. The proposed .184 acre parcel is currently zoned B-2. (see attached map) The Southwest District Plan calls for the property to be developed as business. The plan also calls for a park to be developed southwest of the site closer to the Catawba River. The recently adopted Westside Strategic Plan calls for a park to be developed in and around this area as well and a greenway to link parks that are proposed between I-85 and West Boulevard. A park would greatly enhance the area and have no adverse impacts.

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROJECTS

The site is located near other land owned by the Mecklenburg County Parks and Recreation Department. This land could be integrated with existing land to be used as a park or as open space.

PROJECT COST

There are no costs associated with this project.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Planning Staff supports accepting this land to be used for a park, open space or any other use consistent with adopted land use plans.

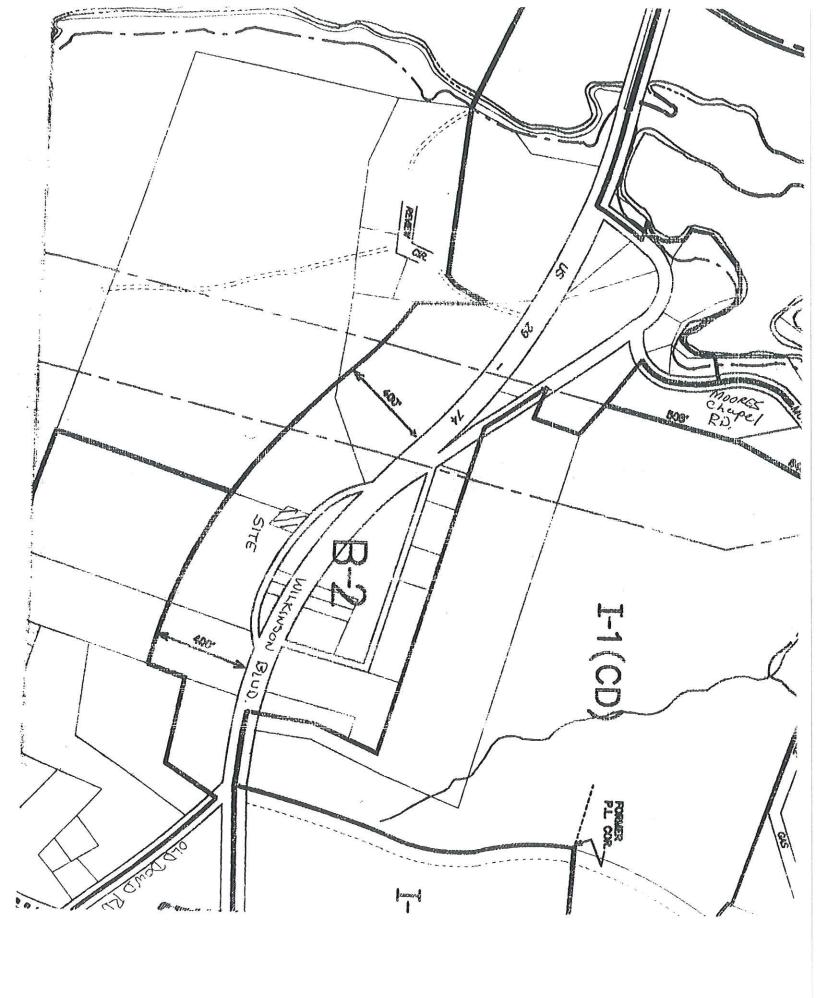
PLANNING COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

The Planning Committee voted unanimously to approve staff's recommendation.



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