ZONING COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION May 30, 2007

Rezoning Petition No. 2007 - 59

Property Owner: Carlton Development, LLC

Petitioner: John R. Poore

Location: Northwest quadrant of the E. Independence

Boulevard/Briar Creek Road interchange

Center, Corridor

or Wedge: Corridor

Request: MUDD-O, Mixed-Use Development District, Optional, to

UR-2(CD), Urban Residential, Conditional

Action: The Zoning Committee voted 6-0 to recommend

APPROVAL of this petition.

Vote: Yeas: Carter, Chiu, Loflin, Randolph, Ratcliffe, and Simmons

Nays: None

Absent: Sheild

Summary of Petition

This petition proposes to rezone approximately 1.30 acres located on the northwest quadrant of the E. Independence Boulevard/Briar Creek Road interchange in order to allow the construction of 28 townhomes with garages. This subject property is located within the Southeast Transit Corridor. The nearest transit station proposed in the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) is located on Independence Boulevard near Coliseum Drive. The subject property is within a ½ mile radius of the proposed station location, as well as within the 10-minute walk area. The Transit Station Area Principles (2001) would therefore be applicable.

The proposed residential use is inconsistent with the *Central District Plan* as amended through rezoning petition #2003-91. However, the use is consistent with the *Transit Station Area Principles* which support higher density residential uses within ½ mile of transit stations.

Zoning Committee Discussion/Rationale

Mr. Keith MacVean reviewed the petition with the Zoning Committee and noted all site plan issues had been resolved. There was no discussion pertaining to the proposal.

Statement of Consistency

Upon a motion by Commissioner Carter , seconded by Commissioner Loflin , the Zoning Committee voted unanimously to find that this petition was inconsistent with the Central District Plan but reasonable and in the public interest.

Vote

Upon a motion made by Commissioner Carter and seconded by Commissioner Randolph, the Zoning Committee voted 6-0 to recommend approval of this petition.

Staff Opinion

Staff agrees with the recommendation of the Zoning Committee.