

## Charlotte Department of Transportation Memorandum

**Date:** January 23, 2015

**To:** Tammie Keplinger

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From:

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**Development Services Division** 

**Subject:** Rezoning Petition 15-027: Approximately 3.031 acres located on the

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southeast corner at the intersection of Cherry Street and East 1st Street

CDOT has completed a review of the subject petition in order to ensure consistency with the Transportation Action Plan (TAP). The TAP seeks to ensure that Charlotte's transportation network supports current and future land uses and includes streets that provide safe and comfortable mobility for motorists, pedestrians, bicyclists, and transit users. Based on our review of the petition, we offer the following comments.

## Vehicle Trip Generation

This site could generate approximately 520 trips per day as currently zoned. Under the proposed zoning the site could generate approximately 1,340 trips per day.

## CDOT requests the following changes to the rezoning plan:

- 1. We request the petitioner construct an 8-foot planting strip and 6-foot sidewalk along Cherry Street from East 1<sup>st</sup> Street to Luther Street. This will involve constructing sidewalk along the street frontage for Parcel #125-224-28.
- 2. We request the petitioner provide a minimum 5-foot sidewalk along the proposed driveway that connects the multifamily units to the proposed 6-foot sidewalk along Cherry Street.

The following are requirements of the developer that must be satisfied prior to driveway permit approval. We recommend that the petitioner reflect these on the rezoning plan as-appropriate.

1. According to the City of Charlotte's Driveway Regulations, CDOT has the authority to regulate/approve all private street/driveway and public street connections to the right-of-way of a street under the regulatory jurisdiction of the City of Charlotte.

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- 2. Adequate sight triangles must be reserved at the existing/proposed street entrance(s). 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. The proposed driveway connection Cherry Street will require a driveway permit to be submitted to CDOT for review and approval. The exact driveway location and type/width of the driveway will be determined by CDOT during the driveway permit process. The location of the driveway shown on the site plan is subject to change in order to align with driveway(s) on the opposite side of the street and comply with City Driveway Regulations and the City Tree Ordinance.
- 4. All proposed commercial driveway connections to a future public street will require a driveway permit to be submitted to CDOT for review and approval.
- 5. Any fence or wall constructed along or adjacent to any sidewalk or street right-of-way requires a certificate issued by CDOT.
- 6. 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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cc: S. Correll Rezoning File