



REQUEST Current Zoning: O-2(CD), office, conditional

Proposed Zoning: MUDD-O, mixed use development district, optional

LOCATION Approximately 3.20 acres located on the northeast corner of Barclay

Downs Drive and Morrison Boulevard across from Carnegie

Boulevard.

SUMMARY OF PETITION The petition proposes up to 300 multi-family dwelling units at 93.8

units per acre, and permitted accessory uses.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION Staff recommends approval of this petition upon resolution of outstanding issues. The petition is consistent with the *SouthPark Small Area Plan*, which recommends office or a mixture of office and residential uses. The site is located in an area identified as an Activity Center as set forth in the adopted *Centers, Corridors, Wedges Growth Framework*. The subject site meets many of the design standards recommended by the adopted area plan as follows:

- building architecture oriented to the town center, with use of brick and stone building materials;
- reduced building height abutting a nonresidential outdoor recreation use in residential zoning;
- structured parking;
- landscaping and buffers provided to transition between land uses:
- open space in the form of an improved interior courtyard and natural or landscaped open space areas.

PROPERTY OWNER
PETITIONER
AGENT/REPRESENTATIVE

Pinnacle Building, LLC Woodfield Acquisitions, LLC

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

PLANNING STAFF REVIEW

Background

The subject property was originally rezoned via petition 1994-02 as a part of 4.8 total acres, to allow 160,000 square feet of office uses and all uses permitted in the O-2 district. An administrative approval was approved in April 2001 for the 3.2 acre subject property site, which allowed a maximum of 130,866 square feet for an office building and a parking deck. The office building was permitted a maximum height of 82 feet (six stories along Barclay Downs Drive) and the parking deck was limited to 30 feet in height. This height exceeds the 40-foot height recommendation in the *South Park Small Area Plan* adopted in the 2000 for buildings abutting single family neighborhoods. Buffers provided include a 40-foot undisturbed buffer along Barclay Downs Drive, a 25-foot landscape easement along Morrison Boulevard, and a 36-foot Class B buffer abutting R-3 zoning to the north.

· Proposed Request Details

The site plan accompanying this petition contains the following provisions:

- Up to 300 multi-family dwelling units and permitted accessory uses at a density of 93.8 units per acre.
- Building height limited to eight residential stories (excluding parking deck levels). Portions of building abutting closest to abutting nonresidential outdoor recreation use in R-3 zoning to the north limited to four stories and six stories.
- Structured parking deck underneath building.
- · Maximum of two principal buildings
- Access to the site from Morrison Boulevard and Barclay Downs Drive.

- Exterior building materials consist of glass, brick, stone, precast stone, precast concrete, synthetic stone, cementitious siding or stucco. A minimum 30 percent of the exterior building exclusive of windows, doors and roofs will be constructed of brick, stone, synthetic stone, precast stone or precast concrete. Vinyl as a building material is limited to windows.
- Parking deck ventilation will not be located along the northern building elevation directly facing the Barclay Downs Swim Club.
- Solid waste and recycling areas will be located within the building and vehicular access to the areas will be limited to Morrison Boulevard.
- A 36-foot wide tree save area supplemented to meet the requirements of a Class B buffer will be provided along the northern property line.
- An eight-foot planting strip and six-foot sidewalk will be provided along property frontage on Barclay Downs Drive and Morrison Boulevard.
- Fifteen percent open space/tree save area.
- Open space areas will remain natural or may be landscaped, with the exception of a courtyard with seating and landscaping .
- Detached lighting limited to 20 feet in height.
- Providing a bus passenger waiting pad along Barclay Downs Drive.
- Optional Provisions include:
 - Allow parking and maneuvering/drop-off area between the proposed building and Morrison Boulevard.

Existing Zoning and Land Use

The subject property is currently vacant. Adjacent parcels on the east side of Barclay Downs Drive are zoned R-3, O-2(CD), O-15(CD), O-1, B-1SCD and CC and are developed with an outdoor recreation use/commercial swim and racquet club, single family dwellings, office and retail uses, an amphitheater, and a hotel. Parcels on the west side of Barclay Downs Drive are zoned R-3, O-1 and MUDD-O and occupied by single family dwellings, and office uses.

Rezoning History in Area

Recent rezonings in the area include Petition 2010-056, which allowed 495,000 square feet of commercial floor area, 591 multi-family dwelling units, and limited the amount of retail and/or restaurant uses to 15,000 square feet. The 13 acres are bounded by Carnegie Boulevard and Congress Street near Barclay Downs Drive.

Public Plans and Policies

- The SouthPark Small Area Plan (2000) recommends a mix of office and residential uses as amended by the previously approved rezoning.
- The petition is consistent with the South Park Small Area Plan.

DEPARTMENT COMMENTS (see full department reports online)

- Charlotte Area Transit System: No issues.
- Charlotte Department of Neighborhood & Business Services: No issues.
- Charlotte Department of Solid Waste Services: No issues.
- **Transportation:** The petitioner should incorporate as conditional notes the transportation improvements mutually agreed upon with the Barclay Downs HOA, with the condition that these transportation items shall be implemented and approved prior to the issuance of the first building certificate of occupancy.
 - Vehicle Trip Generation:

Current Zoning: 1,630 trips per day. Proposed Zoning: 1,940 trips per day.

- Connectivity: No issues.
- Charlotte Fire Department: No issues.
- Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools: The proposed development would generate 77 students. The net change in number of students generated from the existing zoning to the proposed zoning is 77.
- Charlotte-Mecklenburg Storm Water Services: No issues.

ENVIRONMENTALLY SENSITIVE SITE DESIGN (see full department reports online)

- **Site Design:** The following explains how the petition addresses the environmentally sensitive site design guidance in the *General Development Policies-Environment*.
 - This site meets minimum ordinance standards.

OUTSTANDING ISSUES

- The petitioner should:
 - 1. Amend Sheet RZ 1.0 to reflect a 30-foot setback on Morrison Boulevard as indicated in Notes 5b and 5c and on Sheet RZ 2.0.
 - 2. Amend Note 5a to state that a the setback along Barclay Downs Drive will be measured from the back of curb and will transition from 70 feet along the northern portion of Barclay Downs Drive to a minimum of 30 feet closer to the intersection of Morrison Boulevard.
 - 3. Indicate the setback along Barclay Downs Drive on Sheet RZ 1.0. Currently reflected as 40 feet measured from right-of-way.
 - 4. Amend Note 5a to indicate whether the setback along Barclay Downs Drive will be landscaped should the existing trees be removed.
 - 5. Remove call out for 40-foot building setback from Sheet RZ 2.0.

Attachments Online at www.rezoning.org

- Application
- Site Plan
- Charlotte Area Transit System Review
- Charlotte Department of Neighborhood & Business Services Review
- Charlotte Department of Solid Waste Services Review
- Transportation Review
- Charlotte Fire Department Review
- Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools Review
- Charlotte-Mecklenburg Storm Water Services Review

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