

# Rezoning Petition 2012-079 PRE-HEARING STAFF ANALYSIS September 24, 2012

**REQUEST** Current Zoning: MUDD-O, mixed use development district, optional

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

optional, site plan amendment

**LOCATION** Approximately 0.86 acres located on the north side of West Mallard

Creek Church Road between Claude Freeman Drive and David Taylor

Drive.

**SUMMARY OF PETITION** The petition proposes to rezone 0.086 acres to allow the

development of 6,000 square foot building for a retail dry cleaner

with possible drive through service.

STAFF Staff recommends approval of this petition upon resolution of

**RECOMMENDATION** outstanding issues. The petition is consistent with the *University* 

Research Park Area Plan.

PROPERTY OWNER Arbors Holdings, LLC
PETITIONER TAG Ventures, LLC

AGENT/REPRESENTATIVE Brian Upton / The Isaacs Group

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

#### **PLANNING STAFF REVIEW**

## Background

- The subject site was part of a larger 145-acre rezoning approved in 2002 for the Arbors Shopping Center under petition 2002-142, which allowed a total of 300,000 square feet overall for retail and office uses, in addition to 63 townhomes and 428 single family homes.
- The optional requests allowed for an accessory service window in association with a financial institution, allowed parking between the street and building, and entry and wall signage.
- An eight-foot planting strip and six-foot sidewalk with brick screening wall were required along Mallard Creek Church Road.

## Proposed Request Details

The site plan amendment contains the following changes:

- A proposed building allowing up to 6,000 square feet maximum.
- Four-sided elevations with proposed materials indicated.
- Eight- foot planting strip and six- foot sidewalk along Mallard Creek Church Road and the private drive.
- Three foot brick screening wall along Mallard Creek Church Road.
- Original approved notes that were changed per this rezoning will still apply.
- Optional request:
  - Allow accessory service window with a dry cleaning service.
  - Allow a dry cleaning service up to 6,000 square feet.

## Existing Zoning and Land Use

The subject property is zoned MUDD-O and is currently vacant. The surrounding properties are zoned MUDD-O and RE-2 and are developed with various commercial uses.

#### · Rezoning History in Area

Petition 2011-036 rezoned property located on the southern side of the intersection of Senator Royal and Mallard Creek Church Road from RE-1 to RE-3(O). The rezoning approved up to 320 multi-family units, a possible 200- room hotel, and 325,000 square feet for office and retail.

#### Public Plans and Policies

- The *University Research Park Area Plan* (2010) recommends office and retail for the subject property.
- This request is consistent with the *University Research Park Area Plan* (2010).

#### **DEPARTMENT COMMENTS** (see full department reports online)

- Charlotte Area Transit System: No comments received.
- Charlotte Department of Neighborhood & Business Services: No issues.
- Transportation:
  - Vehicle Trip Generation: The petition will not affect the number of vehicle trips.
  - Connectivity: No issues.
- Charlotte Fire Department: No issues.
- Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools: This site plan amendment will not impact the number of students attending local schools.
- Charlotte-Mecklenburg Storm Water Services: No issues.
- Mecklenburg County Land Use and Environmental Services Agency: No issues.
- Mecklenburg County Parks and Recreation Department: No issues.
- Urban Forestry: 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. Request an optional provision to increase the maximum square footage from 4,500 as allowed in the ordinance to 6,000 square feet.
  - 2. Remove signage shown from the elevations.

### Attachments Online at www.rezoning.org

- Application
- Site Plan
- Community Meeting Report
- Charlotte Department of Neighborhood & Business Services Review
- Transportation Review
- Charlotte Fire Department Review
- Charlotte-Mecklenburg Storm Water Services Review
- Mecklenburg County Land Use and Environmental Services Agency Review
- Mecklenburg County Parks and Recreation Review
- Urban Forestry Review

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