

## **Charlotte Department of Transportation** Memorandum

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Charlotte-Mecklenburg Planning Department

From:

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**Development Services Division** 

Rezoning Petition 13-079: Subject: Approximately 1.59 acres located on the west

side of Eastway Drive near the intersection of

Audrey Street and Eastway Drive.

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 280 trips per day as currently zoned. Under the proposed zoning the site could generate approximately 135 trips per day.

We have the following comments regarding apparent conflicts between the proposed rezoning and existing ordinances or policies:

The site plan does not depict the Zoning Ordinance required 5' sidewalk from the building to the public street.

In addition to the comments above, CDOT requests the following changes to the rezoning plan:

It appears this site plan will require a significant amount of grading, paving and curb work. Given the significant construction work, we request that the petitioner relocate the existing nonconforming non-standard sidewalk to its conforming location that will allow for the planting of large-maturing street trees. In order to accommodate the future bike lane, as well as the street trees, the new 6-foot sidewalk should be located 13 feet behind the curb. It appears this will not require any new right-of-way.

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. Adequate sight triangles must be reserved at the proposed street entrance. Two 35' x 35' and two 10' x 70' sight triangles are required for the entrance to meet requirements. All proposed trees, berms, walls, fences, and/or identification signs must not interfere with sight distance at the entrance. Such items should be identified on the site plan.

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- 2. The proposed driveway connection to Eastway Drive will require a driveway permit to be submitted to CDOT and the North Carolina Department of Transportation 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 locations of the driveway shown on the site plan are subject to change in order to align with driveway on the opposite side of the street and comply with City Driveway Regulations and the City Tree Ordinance.
- 3. All proposed commercial driveway connections to a future public street will require a driveway permit to be submitted to CDOT for review and approval.
- 4. Any fence or wall constructed along or adjacent to any sidewalk or street right-of-way requires a certificate issued by CDOT.
- 5. 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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Rezoning File