Petition No: 2017-037

RECOMMENDATION

We have the following comments that are critical to CMS' support of this petition:

Adequacy of existing school capacity in this area is a significant problem. We are particularly concerned about rezoning cases where school utilization exceeds 100% since the proposed development will exacerbate this situation. Approval of this petition will increase overcrowding and/or reliance upon mobile classrooms at the schools listed below.

The total estimated capital cost of providing the additional school capacity for this new development is \$375,000 calculated as follows:

Elementary School: 7x\$20,000 = \$140,000Middle School: 2x\$23,000 = \$46,000High School: 7x\$27,000 = \$189,000

CMS recommends the petitioner schedule a meeting with staff to discuss any opportunities that the petitioner/developer may propose to improve the adequacy of school capacity in the immediate area of the proposed development.

TOTAL IMPACT FROM PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT

Proposed Housing Units: The conditional district request seeks to allow up to 95 single family attached dwellings at a density of 10.4 units per acre and accessory uses under UR-2 (CD).

CMS Planning Area: 10, 11, 12, 13 Average Student Yield per Unit: 0.1734

This development will add 16 student(s) to the schools in this area.

The following data is as of 20th Day of the 2016-17 school year.

Schools Affected	Total Classroom Teachers	Building Classrooms/ Teacher Stations	20 th Day, Enrollment (non-ec)	Building Classroom/ Adjusted Capacity (Without Mobiles)	20 th Day, Building Utilization (Without Mobiles)	Additional Students As a result of this development	Utilization As of result of this development (Without Mobiles)
STARMOUNT ACADEMY	29	28	445	701	104%	7	105%
CARMEL MIDDLE	58.5	54	1071	989	108%	2	108%
SOUTH MECKLENBURG HIGH	153.0	108	3031	2082	142%	7	142%

INCREMENTAL IMPACT FROM PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT*

Existing number of housing units allowed: The subject property is currently vacant. Petition 99-27 rezoned the subject property and allows 43 single family detached dwelling units and accessory uses under R-8 (CD).

Number of students potentially generated under current zoning: 25 student(s) (10 elementary, 8 middle, 7 high)

The development allowed under the existing zoning would generate 25 student(s), while the development allowed under the proposed zoning will produce 16 student(s). Therefore, the net change in the number of students generated from existing zoning to proposed zoning is zero (0) student(s).

As requested, we are also providing information regarding the difference in the number of potential students from the existing zoning to the proposed zoning. Please note that this method of determining potential numbers of students from an area underestimates the number of students CMS may gain from the new development.