



Cobb County Community Development Agency Zoning Division

PC: 2-5-20 BOC: 2-18-20

Public Hearing Dates:

1150 Powder Springs St. Marietta, Georgia 30064

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Titleholder: 380 Allen Street, LLC

Property location and address: Located on the south side of Old Powder Springs Road, west of Dunn Road (1341 and 1371 Old Powder Springs

Road)

Access to Property: Old Powder Springs Road

QUICK FACTS

Commission District: 4- Cupid

Current Zoning: LI

Current use of property: Wooded

Proposed zoning: RM-8

Proposed use: Townhouses

Future Land Use Designation: Neighborhood

Activity Center

Site Acreage: 8.38 acres

District: 18

Land Lot: 34, 35

Parcel #: 18003400090, 18003400230,

18003500060

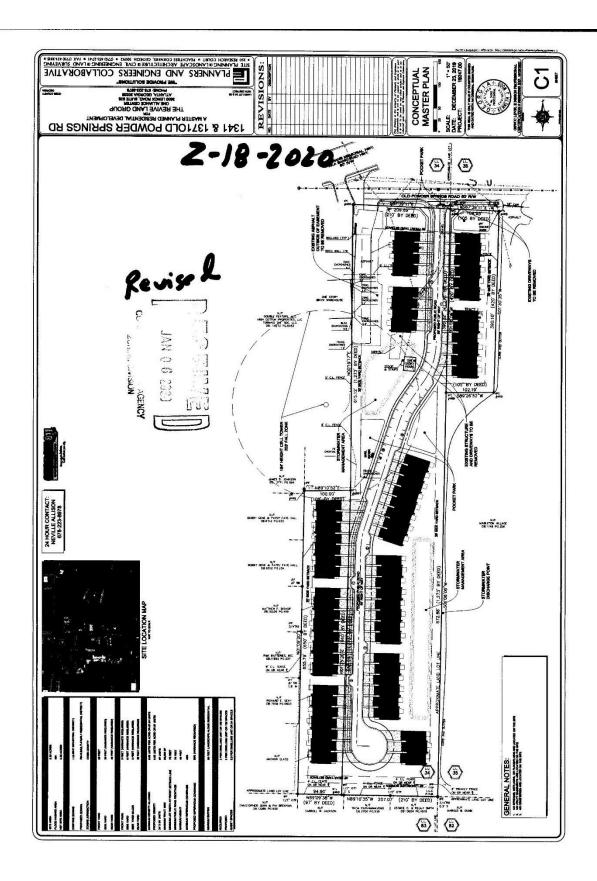
Taxes Paid: Yes

FINAL ZONING STAFF RECOMMENDATION: (Zoning staff momber: John Roderson)

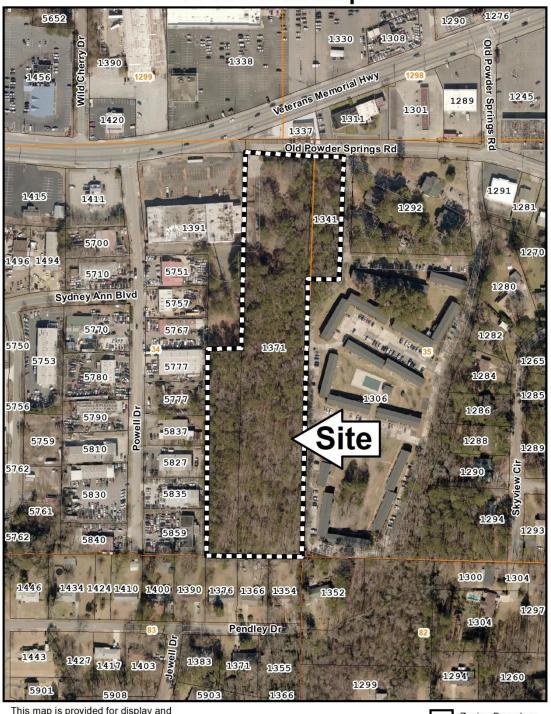
(Zoning staff member: John Pederson)

Based on the analysis of this case, Staff recommends **APPROVAL** subject to:

- 1. Site plan received January 6, 2020.
- 2. Allowance of variances as listed in the Zoning Section comments.
- 3. Fire Department comments.
- 4. Water and Sewer comments.
- 5. Stormwater Management comments.
- 6. Cobb DOT comments and recommendations.



Z-18 Aerial Map



This map is provided for display and planning purposes only. It is not meant to be a legal description.

0 100 200 Feet Zoning Boundary
City Boundary

North

Zoning: PSC/ Hair salon

Future Land Use: Neighborhood Activity Center

WEST

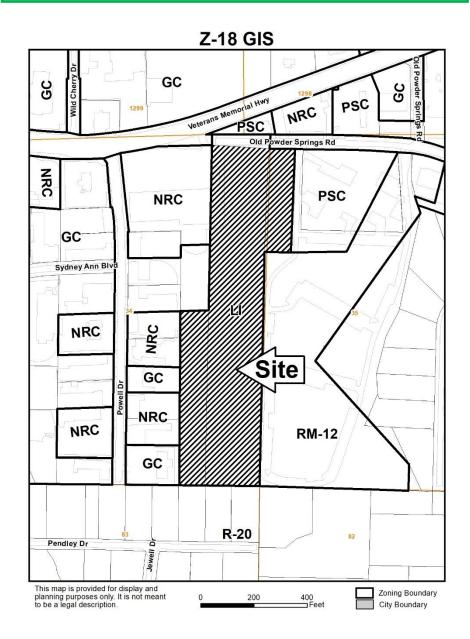
Zoning:

NRC/Dollar General; NRC & GC/ Automotive

Future Land Use:

repair.

Neighborhood Activity Center



EAST

Zoning: PSC & RM-12/ Mableton

Village

Apartment

Homes.

Future Land

Use:

Neighborhood Activity Center & High Density Residential

SOUTH

Zoning: R-20/ Hank Floyd subdivision

Future Land Use: Low Density Residential

DEPARTMENT COMMENTS- Zoning Division

Current zoning district for the property

The LI district is established to provide locations for light industrial uses such as low intensity automobile repair and service, animal care facilities, commercial greenhouses, livestock, poultry, business distribution centers, warehousing and storage, and transportation terminals, which are on properties delineated within or on the perimeter of an industrial compatible and industrial category as defined and shown on the Cobb County Comprehensive Land Use Plan: A Policy Guide, adopted November 27, 1990. When located on the perimeter of an industrial node, the LI district should provide for uses that are low in intensity and scale such as to ensure compatibility with surrounding properties.

Requested zoning district for the property

The RM-8 district is established to provide locations for multifamily residential uses or residentially compatible institutional and recreational uses which are within properties delineated for medium and high density residential and regional activity center categories as defined and shown on the Cobb County Comprehensive Plan: A Policy Guide, adopted November 27, 1990. When residentially compatible institutional and recreational uses are developed within the RM-8 district, they should be designed and built to ensure intensity and density compatibility with adjacent multifamily detached dwellings and otherwise to implement the stated purpose and intent of this chapter.

Summary of the applicant's proposal

The applicant is requesting the RM-8 zoning district to develop fee-simple townhouses. The units would range in size from 1,600 square-feet to 2,100 square-feet and would be traditional and craftsman in style. Each unit would have an attached two-car garage, and the exterior materials would consist of combinations of brick, stone, siding, shake, and board & batten. The applicant is showing 21 guest parking spaces along the road and four areas for pocket parks on the property. The proposed road will be public. The applicant has designed the project so no units are within the fall zone of the cell tower on the adjoining commercially zoned and used property. The property had previously been zoned in 2007 (Z-10) to LI for 56,900 square-feet of self-service storage.

Residential criteria

Allowable units as zoned: None.

Proposed # of units: 67

Net density: 7.99 units per acre.

Increase of units: 67

Acres of floodplain/wetlands: None.

Impervious surface shown: 50% (Code is a maximum of 45%).

DEPARTMENT COMMENTS- Zoning Division (continued)

Are there any zoning variances? Yes.

- 1. Reduce the rear setback from 40' to 20'.
- 2. Reduce the front setback from 50' to 15'.
- 3. Increase the maximum impervious surface from 45% to 50%.

(Note: The variances appear to be caused by the lack of width of the property and due to the fall zone of the cell tower on the adjoining property).

DEPARTMENT COMMENTS- Fire Department

Guest Parking

Occupant parking shall be installed as required by zoning and additional guest parking shall be required as follows:

- Where driveways to two car garages exceed 50 feet in length, no additional guest parking is required.
- Where driveways to two car garages are at least 22 feet long and 20 feet wide, additional parking shall be required at .5 spaces per dwelling unit.
- Where driveways to two car garages are less than 22 feet long and 20 feet wide, additional parking shall be required at 1 space per dwelling unit.
- Where only single car garages are provided, additional parking shall be required at 2 spaces per dwelling unit.
- Guest parking spaces must be evenly distributed throughout the project. (Cobb County Development Standards 401.8.2)

Fire Hydrants

The maximum distance of a hydrant to the most remote portion of a structure shall be 500 feet. Distance shall be measured around the structure and from the fire apparatus access road. (Cobb County Development Standards 410.5.2)

DEPARTMENT COMMENTS- Site Plan Review (County Arborist)

Landscape buffers must be fully vegetated across their entire widths, and be maintained as such in perpetuity. Structures which are built directly contiguous to a buffer are subject to maintenance, security, and life safety issues. A 10' minimum setback is recommended between buffers and structures.

DEPARTMENT COMMENTS- Cemetery Preservation

There is no significant impact on the cemetery site listed in the Cobb County Cemetery Preservation Commission's Inventory Listing which is located in this, or adjacent land lot.

DEPARTMENT COMMENTS- School System

Approval of this petition will cause concern for CCSD, as it will result in an impact on the enrollment for schools already over capacity.

School	Student Capacity	Student Enrollment	Capacity Status
Mableton ES	962	1033	71 over capacity
Garrett MS	975	962	13 under capacity
Pebblebrook HS	1812	2437	625 over capacity

DEPARTMENT COMMENTS- Stormwater Management

Flood hazard zone: No
 Drainage Basin: Pine Creek

3. Wetlands: No

4. Streambank buffer zone: No

- 5. Stormwater discharges must be controlled not to exceed the existing capacity of the downstream storm drainage system.
- 6. Substantially mitigate any effects of concentrated stormwater discharges onto adjacent properties.
- 7. Developer must secure drainage easement(s) to receive concentrated discharges where none naturally exist.
- 8. Project engineer must evaluate the impact of increased volume of runoff generated by the proposed project on existing downstream drainage system(s).
- 9. A drainage easement will likely be required to provide adequate conveyance of site runoff through the adjacent downstream Mableton Village Apartment Complex.
- 10. All drainage infrastructure for this development will be privately owned and maintained.

DEPARTMENT COMMENTS- Planning Division

neighborhood residents and businesses. Typical land uses for these areas include small offices, limited retail, and grocery stores. Consistent | Inconsistent **Comprehensive Plan Designation:** House Bill 489 Intergovernmental Agreement Zoning Amendment Notification Is the proposal within one-half mile of a city boundary? Yes \times No Was the city notified? Yes No \bowtie N/A \bowtie No **Specific Area Policy Guidelines:** Yes \times Yes Masterplan/ Corridor Study South Cobb Implementation No Strategy Design guidelines area? Yes \times No \times N/A Does the proposal plan comply with the design requirements? Yes No Yes \times No Is the property within an Opportunity Zone? (The Opportunity Zone is an incentive that provides \$3,500 tax credit per job in eligible areas if two or more jobs are being created. This incentive is for new or existing businesses) X Yes No Is the property within an Enterprise Zone? (The South Cobb Enterprise Zone is an incentive that provides tax abatements and other economic incentives for qualifying businesses locating or expanding within designated areas for new jobs and capital investment) Is the property eligible for the Facade Improvement \bowtie No Yes Program? (The Facade Improvement Program is an incentive for owners and tenants to enhance the appearance of buildings. The CDBG program provides the funding. Properties must be either on the current inventory of redevelopment sites or in a corridor study area, and be in a census tract with at least 51% low and moderate income. The program serves to improve the economic viability of these areas.)

Cobb 2040 Comprehensive Plan: The parcel is within the Neighborhood Activity Center (NAC) future land use category. The purpose of the NAC category is to provide for areas that serve

DEPARTMENT COMMENTS- Planning Division (continued)					
Is the property eligible for incentives through the Commercial and Industrial Property Rehabilitation Program? (The Commercial and Industrial Property Rehabilitation Program Is an incentive that provides a reduction in ad valorem property taxes for qualifying redevelopment in eligible areas)	⊠ Yes	□ No			
Note: For more information on incentives, please call the Community Development Division at 770-528-2018 or find information online at					
Special District Is this property within the Cumberland Special District #1 (hotel/motel fee)?	Yes	⊠ No			
Is this property within the Cumberland Special District #2 (ad valorem tax)?	Yes	⊠ No			
Is this property within the Six Flags Special Service District?	Yes	⊠ No			
Dobbins Air Reserve Base Zones Is the property within the Dobbins Airfield Safety Zone?	Yes	⊠ No			
Is the property within the Clear Zone (CZ)?	Yes	⊠ No			
Is the property within the Accident Potential Zone (APZ I)?	Yes	⊠ No			
Is the property within the Accident Potential Zone II (APZ II)?	Yes	⊠ No			
Is the property within the Noise Zone?	Yes	⊠ No			
Is the property within the Bird/Wildlife Air Strike Hazard Area (BASH)?	Yes	⊠ No			

Historic Preservation

After consulting various county historic resources surveys, historic maps, archaeology surveys and Civil War trench location maps, staff finds that no known significant historic resources appear to be affected by this application.

DEPARTMENT COMMENTS- Water and Sewer

Water comments:					
Available at development:	XES YES	NO			
Fire flow test required:	XES YES	NO			
Size and location of existing water main(s): 8" i	n Old Powde	er Springs Ro	oad		
Additional water comments: Development S	Standards re	equire seco	ndary water feed for		
developments of more than 40 residential units					
Note: These comments only reflect what facilities were in exist install/upgrade water mains based on fire flow test results or Fir process.			· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		
Sewer comments:					
In the drainage basin:	X YES	Пио			
At development:	YES	⊠ ⊠ NO	0		
Approximate distance to nearest sewer: +/- 325' E w/easement					
Estimated wastewater generation (in G.P.D.): Av			20 GPD		
Peak flow = 26,800 GPD					
Treatment plant: South Cobb WRF					
Plant capacity:	X Yes	NO			
Line capacity:		 ∏ NO			
Projected plant availability:	□ 0-5 years □ 5-10 years □ over 10 years				
Dry sewers required:	YES	NO			
Off-site easement required:	─ ☐ YES*	 ∏ NO	*If off-site easements are required, the		
Flow test required:	YES	— ⊠ NO	developer/owner must submit easements to the CCWS for review and approval as to form		
Letter of allocation issued:	YES	— ⊠ NO	and stipulations prior to the execution of easements by the property owners. All		
Septic tank recommended by this department:	YES	⊠ NO	easement acquisitions are the responsibility of the developer/owner.		
Subject to Health Department approval:	YES	 ⊠ NO			

Note: The developer/owner will be responsible for connecting to the existing county water and sewer systems, installing and/or upgrading all outfalls & water mains, obtaining onsite and/or offsite easements, and dedication of onsite and/or offsite water and sewer to Cobb County as may be required. Rezoning does not guarantee water/sewer availability or capacity unless so stated in writing by the Cobb County Water System.

Additional sewer comments:

DEPARTMENT COMMENTS- Transportation

Roadway	Roadway Speed limit classification (MPH)		Jurisdictiona I control	Min. R.O.W. requirements	
Old Powder Springs Road	Local	25	Cobb County	50′	

Roadway	Location	Average daily trips	Level of service
Old Powder Springs Road	NA	NA	NA

Observations and comments

Old Powder Springs Road is classified as a local roadway and according to the available information the existing right-of-way does meet the minimum requirements for this classification.

Recommendations

- 1. Recommend applicant be required to meet all Cobb County Development Standards and Ordinances related to project improvements.
- 2. Recommend curb and gutter along both sides and sidewalk along one side of proposed development roadway.
- 3. Recommend private streets, lighting, and utilities be constructed to the Cobb County Standard Specifications.
- 4. If roads are to meet public roadway specifications, recommend driveway length be a minimum of 20' from the edge of right-of-way.

Per section 134-122 of the Official Code of Cobb County, below is a written zoning analysis relating to the following (question in bold; the answer is not bold):

A. Whether the zoning proposal will permit a use that is suitable in view of the use and development of adjacent and nearby property;

It is Staff's opinion the applicant's proposal is suitable in view of the use and development of adjacent and nearby properties. The area has a mixture of low & high density residential uses and commercial uses.

B. Whether the zoning proposal will adversely affect the existing use or usability of adjacent or nearby property;

It is Staff's opinion that the applicant's proposal will not adversely affect the existing use or usability of adjacent or nearby property. The applicant's property is situated in between apartments built in 1968 at 12.31 units per acre to the east, and many automotive uses on Powell Drive to the west. The proposal could provide a reasonable transition in zoning between the uses.

C. Whether the zoning proposal will result in a use which will or could cause an excessive burdensome use of existing streets, transportation facilities, utilities, or schools;

It is Staff's opinion the applicant's proposal will not result in a use which will or could cause an excessive burdensome use of existing streets, transportation facilities, utilities, or schools. This opinion is supported by the departmental comments contained in the analysis.

D. Whether the zoning proposal is in conformity with the policies and intent of the comprehensive plan;

It is Staff's opinion that the applicant's proposal is in conformity with the Comprehensive Plan, which does allow higher density residential uses to serve as transition uses between higher and lower intensity uses. The only existing single-family residential properties are on the south end of the proposed development which has the smallest amount of shared property line.

E. Whether there are other existing or changing conditions affecting the use and development of the property which give supporting grounds for either approval or disapproval of the zoning proposal;

It is Staff's opinion that there are existing or changing conditions affecting the use and development of the property which give supporting grounds for approval of the zoning proposal. The character of the area is mixed due to the fact there are single-family houses, apartments and commercial uses. Staff believes the applicant's proposal would be complimentary and consistent with other adjacent and nearby uses.

The staff analysis and recommendation made by the Planning and Zoning Staff are only the opinions of the Planning and Zoning Staff and are by no means the final decision. The Cobb County Board of Commissioners makes the final decisions on all Rezoning and Land Use Permits at an advertised public hearing.

Planning Commission Decision

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