Planning Commission

Staff Report

August 4, 2022



Case No: 22-ZONE-0016
Project Name: Double R Trucking

Location: 15009 & 15011 Dixie Highway, Parcel ID

113700060000 & associated unnamed

alley

Owner(s): Robin & Randy Mattingly

Applicant: Robin & Randy Mattingly – Double R Trucking

Jurisdiction: Louisville Metro
Council District: 14 – Cindi Fowler

Case Manager: Dante St. Germain, AICP, Planner II

REQUESTS

Change in form district from Neighborhood to Suburban Workplace

 Change in zoning from R-4 Single Family Residential and C-2 Commercial to C-2 Commercial and M-2 Industrial

Waivers:

- from 5.5.4.B and 10.2.4 to omit required 50' buffer area, plantings, and 6' screen for industrial uses adjacent to residentially zoned property (NE property line adjacent to 15007 Dixie Highway) (22-WAIVER-0026)
- from 10.2.4 to omit required Landscape Buffer Area, plantings and screening along zoning lines internal to the site (22-WAIVER-0027)
- o from 10.2.4 to omit required 15' Landscape Buffer Area, plantings and screening (SW property line adjacent to 15101 Dixie Highway) (22-WAIVER-0027)
- Closure of Public Right of Way for unnamed, unimproved alley (22-STRCLOSURE-0006)
- **Detailed District Development Plan** with Binding Elements

CASE SUMMARY/BACKGROUND

The subject site is located on Dixie Highway near the Ohio River in the south-western corner of the county. The site is currently developed with a residential structure used partially in a commercial manner, a commercial/industrial structure and a gravel parking lot. The applicant proposes to rezone the site in order to utilize it for heavy truck parking and to continue the current residential/commercial use. The unnamed, unimproved alley proposed to be closed is located between the parcels which make up the site.

The site is near Riverport Phase 5 and the LG&E Mill Creek generating station and is generally surrounded with industrial uses and undeveloped land. One house is located two parcels from the site at 15005 Dixie Highway. The nearest residential uses other than that house are located almost a mile from the site. The site is located within the study area for the South Dixie Highway Master Plan, and is identified for its potential to be an expanded employment center.

STAFF FINDING

Staff finds that the proposed form district change meets the guidelines of the Comprehensive Plan. Staff finds that the proposed zoning change meets the guidelines of the Comprehensive Plan. The waivers are adequately justified and meet the standard of review. The site plan meets the

requirements of the Land Development Code with the exception of the requested waivers, and generally meets the guidelines of the Comprehensive Plan. The request to close the unnamed alley is adequately justified and meets the standard of review.

TECHNICAL REVIEW

MSD and Transportation Planning have provided preliminary approval of the proposal. All affected agencies have agreed to the alley closure.

INTERESTED PARTY COMMENTS

No interested party comments have been received by staff.

STANDARD OF REVIEW FOR REZONING

Criteria for granting the proposed form district change/rezoning: KRS Chapter 100.213

- 1. The proposed form district/rezoning change complies with the applicable guidelines and policies Plan 2040; **OR**
- 2. The existing form district/zoning classification is inappropriate and the proposed classification is appropriate; **OR**
- 3. There have been major changes of an economic, physical, or social nature within the area involved which were not anticipated in Plan 2040 which have substantially altered the basic character of the area.

STAFF ANALYSIS FOR CHANGE IN ZONING

The applicant requests a form district change to the Suburban Workplace Form District

A Suburban Workplace is a form characterized by predominately industrial and office uses where the buildings are set back from the street in a landscaped setting. Suburban Workplaces often contain a single large-scale use or a cluster of uses within a master planned development. New larger proposed industrial uses are encouraged to apply for a planned development district.

In order to provide adequate transportation access in suburban workplaces connected roads, public transportation and pedestrian facilities should be encouraged. Walkways to workplace-serving uses are encouraged for workplace employees. Development within Suburban Workplace Form Districts may need significant buffering from abutting uses.

Following is staff's analysis of the proposed rezoning against the Goals, Objectives and Policies of Plan 2040.

The requested C-2 and M-2 zoning are appropriate for the site. The neighborhood is generally industrial in nature, with the Mill Creek generating station and Kosmos Cement Company located close by. Only one residentially-used property is located in the vicinity, with other lots nearby being undeveloped. M-2 zoning would permit the use of the property for heavy truck parking, while the requested C-2 area would permit the use of the house for commercial purposes as well as allowing it to continue to be used as a residence.

The requested form district is appropriate for the location. The site is located in a small "peninsula" of Neighborhood form in a generally industrial area surrounded on three sides by Suburban Workplace form. The uses that would be appropriate for the site are inappropriate in the Neighborhood form, but would be appropriate in the Suburban Workplace form.

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The proposed form district and zoning district are generally in compliance with the plan elements and CHASE principles of Plan 2040. All other agency comments should be addressed to demonstrate compliance with the remaining Goals, Objectives and Policies of Plan 2040.

A checklist is attached to the end of this staff report with a more detailed analysis. The Louisville Metro Planning Commission is charged with making a recommendation to the Louisville Metro Council regarding the appropriateness of this zoning map amendment. The Louisville Metro Council has zoning authority over the property in question.

STANDARD OF REVIEW AND STAFF ANALYSIS FOR STREET CLOSURES

Adequate Public Facilities – Whether and the extent to which the request would result in demand on public facilities and services (both on-site and off-site), exceeding the capacity or interfering with the function of such facilities and services, existing or programmed, including transportation, utilities, drainage, recreation, education, emergency services, and similar necessary facilities and services. No closure of any public right of way shall be approved where an identified current or future need for the facility exists. Where existing or proposed utilities are located within the right-of-way to be closed, it shall be retained as an easement or alternative locations shall be provided for the utilities; and

STAFF: Adequate public facilities are available to serve existing and future needs of the community. The proposed closure does not result in an increase in demand on public facilities or services as utility agencies have informed Planning and Design Services that no utility facilities are located in the alley proposed for closure. No property adjacent or abutting the rights-of-way to be closed will be left absent of public facilities or services, or be dispossessed of public access to their property.

 Cost for Improvement – The cost for a street or alley closing, or abandonment of any easement or land dedicated to the use of the public shall be paid by the applicant or developer of a proposed project, including cost of improvements to adjacent rights-of-way or relocation of utilities within an existing easement; and

STAFF: Any cost associated with the rights-of-way to be closed will be the responsibility of the applicant or developer.

3. Comprehensive Plan – The extent to which the proposed closure is in compliance with the Goals, Objectives and Plan Elements of the Comprehensive Plan; and

STAFF: The request to close multiple rights-of-way is in compliance the Goals, Objectives and Plan Elements of the Comprehensive Plan as Mobility Goal 2, Policy 2 states to coordinate use of rights-of-way with community design policies. Ensure accessible rights-of-way to accommodate mobility needs of all transportation network users; Mobility Goal 2, Policy 7 states that the design of all new and improved transportation facilities should be accessible and; Mobility Goal 3, Policy 1 states to provide transportation services and facilities to promote and accommodate growth and change in activity centers through improved access management. Provide walking and bicycling opportunities to enable activity centers to minimize single-occupant vehicle travel. Encourage a mix of complementary neighborhood serving businesses and services in neighborhood and village centers to encourage short trips easily made by walking or bicycling; Mobility Goal 3, Policy 2 seeks to improve mobility, and reduce vehicle miles traveled and congestion, encourage a mixture of compatible land uses that are easily accessible by bicycle, car, transit, pedestrians and people with disabilities. Housing should be encouraged near employment centers; Mobility Goal 3, Policy 3 to evaluate developments for

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their ability to promote public transit and pedestrian use. Encourage higher density mixed-use developments that reduce the need for multiple automobile trips as a means of achieving air quality standards and providing transportation and housing choices; Mobility Goal 3, Policy 5 to evaluate developments for their impact on the transportation network (including the street, pedestrian, transit, freight movement and bike facilities and services) and air quality; and Mobility Goal 3, Policy 12 states to ensure that transportation facilities of new developments are compatible with and support access to surrounding land uses, and contribute to the appropriate development of adjacent lands. Where appropriate, provide at least one continuous roadway through the development to tie all local access roads or parking areas to the arterial street system. Adequate stub streets and pedestrian connections should be provided by developments. Any cost associated with the rights-of-way to be closed will be the responsibility of the applicant or developer. Adequate public facilities are available to serve existing and future needs of the community. Transportation facilities have been provided to accommodate future access and to not dispossess property owners of public access. All adjacent lands maintain access to public infrastructure and utility services will continue to be provided to these lands.

4. Other Matters – Any other matters which the Planning Commission may deem relevant and appropriate.

STAFF: There are no other relevant matters to be considered by the Planning Commission.

STANDARD OF REVIEW AND STAFF ANALYSIS FOR WAIVER #1

(a) The waiver will not adversely affect adjacent property owners; and

STAFF: The waiver will not adversely affect adjacent property owners as the most affected property is undeveloped and likely to be developed in the future with a commercial or industrial use.

(b) The waiver will not violate specific guidelines of Plan 2040; and

STAFF: The waiver will not violate specific guidelines of Plan 2040 as Plan 2040 encourages appropriate buffering and transitions between uses that are significantly different in density or intensity. The adjacent property is undeveloped and likely to develop in the future with an industrial or commercial use.

(c) The extent of the waiver of the regulation is the minimum necessary to afford relief to the applicant; and

STAFF: The extent of the waiver of the regulation is the minimum necessary to afford relief to the applicant as the subject site is already developed with a parking lot which encroaches into the required buffer. Additionally, provision of the buffer would significantly impact the utilization of the lot.

- (d) Either:
 - (i) The applicant has incorporated other design measures that exceed the minimums of the district and compensate for non-compliance with the requirements to be waived (net beneficial effect); **OR**
 - (ii) The strict application of the provisions of the regulation would deprive the applicant of the reasonable use of the land or would create an unnecessary hardship on the applicant.

STAFF: Strict application of the provisions of the regulation would deprive the applicant of the reasonable use of the land or would create an unnecessary hardship on the applicant because provision of the required landscape buffer area would make utilization of the lot less feasible.

STANDARD OF REVIEW AND STAFF ANALYSIS FOR WAIVER #2

(a) The waiver will not adversely affect adjacent property owners; and

STAFF: The waiver will not adversely affect adjacent property owners as the required LBAs are internal to the site and would not buffer any adjoining property if provided.

(b) The waiver will not violate specific guidelines of Plan 2040; and

STAFF: The waiver will not violate specific guidelines of Plan 2040 as Plan 2040 encourages appropriate buffering and transitions between uses that are significantly different in density or intensity. The zoning lines that require the LBA are internal to the site and the property owner can buffer the differing uses informally if so desired.

(c) The extent of the waiver of the regulation is the minimum necessary to afford relief to the applicant; and

STAFF: The extent of the waiver of the regulation is the minimum necessary to afford relief to the applicant as the zoning lines requiring the LBA are internal to the site and provision of the required LBAs would not protect any other property.

- (d) Either:
 - (i) The applicant has incorporated other design measures that exceed the minimums of the district and compensate for non-compliance with the requirements to be waived (net beneficial effect); **OR**
 - (ii) The strict application of the provisions of the regulation would deprive the applicant of the reasonable use of the land or would create an unnecessary hardship on the applicant.

STAFF: Strict application of the provisions of the regulation would deprive the applicant of the reasonable use of the land or would create an unnecessary hardship on the applicant because provision of the required landscape buffer area would make utilization of the lot less feasible.

STANDARD OF REVIEW AND STAFF ANALYSIS FOR WAIVER #3

(a) The waiver will not adversely affect adjacent property owners; and

STAFF: The waiver will not adversely affect adjacent property owners as the most affected property is vacant and likely to be re-developed in the future with a commercial or industrial use.

(b) The waiver will not violate specific guidelines of Plan 2040; and

STAFF: The waiver will not violate specific guidelines of Plan 2040 as Plan 2040 encourages appropriate buffering and transitions between uses that are significantly different in density or intensity. The adjacent property is vacant and likely to redevelop in the future with an industrial or commercial use.

(c) The extent of the waiver of the regulation is the minimum necessary to afford relief to the applicant; and

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STAFF: The extent of the waiver of the regulation is the minimum necessary to afford relief to the applicant as the subject site has structures and a drive aisle that already encroach into where the required buffer would be located.

(d) Either:

- (i) The applicant has incorporated other design measures that exceed the minimums of the district and compensate for non-compliance with the requirements to be waived (net beneficial effect); **OR**
- (ii) The strict application of the provisions of the regulation would deprive the applicant of the reasonable use of the land or would create an unnecessary hardship on the applicant.

STAFF: Strict application of the provisions of the regulation would deprive the applicant of the reasonable use of the land or would create an unnecessary hardship on the applicant because provision of the required landscape buffer area would make utilization of the lot less feasible.

STANDARD OF REVIEW AND STAFF ANALYSIS FOR DDDP

- (a) The conservation of natural resources on the property proposed for development, including: trees and other living vegetation, steep slopes, water courses, flood plains, soils, air quality, scenic views, and historic sites;
 - STAFF: No natural resources are evident on the site. The site is partially developed, and partially undeveloped. The undeveloped portion of the site has no evident natural resources.
- (b) The provisions for safe and efficient vehicular and pedestrian transportation both within the development and the community;
 - STAFF: Provisions for safe and efficient vehicular and pedestrian transportation within and around the development and the community has been provided, and Metro Public Works has approved the preliminary development plan.
- (c) The provision of sufficient open space (scenic and recreational) to meet the needs of the proposed development;
 - STAFF: No open space provisions are pertinent to the request.
- (d) The provision of adequate drainage facilities on the subject site in order to prevent drainage problems from occurring on the subject site or within the community;
 - STAFF: The Metropolitan Sewer District has approved the preliminary development plan and will ensure the provision of adequate drainage facilities on the subject site in order to prevent drainage problems from occurring on the subject site or within the community.
- (e) The compatibility of the overall site design (location of buildings, parking lots, screening, landscaping) and land use or uses with the existing and projected future development of the area;
 - STAFF: The overall site design is in compliance with existing and planned future development in the area. The vicinity of the site is generally industrial in nature and likely to continue to develop industrially or commercially.

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(f) Conformance of the development plan with the Comprehensive Plan and Land Development

Code. Revised plan certain development plans shall be evaluated for conformance with the nonresidential and mixed-use intent of the form districts and comprehensive plan.

STAFF: The development plan conforms to applicable requirements of the Land Development Code and Plan 2040 with the exception of the requested waivers. The site plan generally complies with the policies and guidelines of the Comprehensive Plan.

REQUIRED ACTIONS

- RECOMMEND that Metro Council APPROVE or DENY the Change-in-Form-District from Neighborhood Form to Suburban Workplace Form
- **RECOMMEND** that Metro Council **APPROVE** or **DENY** the **Change-in-Zoning** from R-4 and C-2 to C-2 and M-2
- APPROVE or DENY the Waivers
- RECOMMEND that Metro Council APPROVE or DENY the Closure of Public Right-of-Way
- APPROVE or DENY the Detailed District Development Plan with Binding Elements

NOTIFICATION

Date	Purpose of Notice	Recipients
06/29/2022		1 st and 2 nd tier adjoining property owners & current residents Registered Neighborhood Groups in Council District 14
07/19/2022		1st and 2nd tier adjoining property owners & current residents Registered Neighborhood Groups in Council District 14
07/18/2022	Hearing before PC	Sign Posting on property
07/20/2022	Hearing before PC	Legal Advertisement in the Courier-Journal

ATTACHMENTS

- 1. Zoning Map
- 2. Aerial Photograph
- 3. Staff Plan 2040 Checklist
- 4. Proposed Binding Elements

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1. Zoning Map



2. Aerial Photograph



3. Staff Plan 2040 Checklist

- + Exceeds Guideline
- ✓ Meets Guideline
- Does Not Meet Guideline
- +/- More Information Needed
- NA Not Applicable

Suburban Workplace: Non-Residential

#	Plan 2040 Plan Element	Land Use & Development Policy	Staff Finding	Staff Analysis
1	Community Form: Goal 1	6. Discourage non-residential expansion into existing residential areas unless applicant can demonstrate that any adverse impact on residential uses will be mitigated. Evaluation of impacts may include, but not be limited to, displacement of residents, loss of affordable housing units, traffic, parking, signs, lighting, noise, odor, and stormwater. Appropriate transitions from non-residential to residential uses should depend on the pattern of development of the Form District and may include natural vegetative buffers, landscaping or the use of higher density residential and/or non-residential.	√	The proposal would not constitute a non-residential expansion into an existing residential area. Only one residential structure is located nearby, and the vicinity of the site is generally industrial in nature.
2	Community Form: Goal 1	7. Locate higher density and intensity uses near major transportation facilities and transit corridors, employment centers, in or near activity centers and other areas where demand and adequate infrastructure exists or is planned.	√	The site is located on Dixie Highway, a major arterial at this location.
3	Community Form: Goal 1	8. Encourage industries to locate in workplace Form Districts or in areas readily served by infrastructure and transportation facilities, including transit, rather than isolated industrial sites.	√	The applicant requests a workplace form district. The site is located on Dixie Highway, a major arterial street. It is adjacent to an existing workplace form district, and a form district change is being requested.
4	Community Form: Goal 1	15. When reviewing proposals for siting hazardous uses and uses with air, noise and light emissions, ensure disadvantaged populations are not disproportionally impacted.	√	Uses with air, noise and light emissions must comply with LMCO and LDC restrictions.

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5	Community Form: Goal 1	16. Consider impacts on human health, quality of life and the environment including prevailing meteorological conditions and the potential to transport noxious odors, particulates and emissions when reviewing new developments and redevelopments. Special attention should be paid to air and water quality when residences, schools, parks or vulnerable populations will be impacted. Mitigate impacts to areas that are disproportionally affected.	√	The general vicinity of the site is mostly industrial in nature. Uses on the site are unlikely to have significant negative impacts on the residence located nearby.
6	Community Form: Goal 1	17. Mitigate adverse impacts of traffic from proposed development on nearby existing communities.	✓	The site is located on Dixie Highway, a major arterial at this location.
7	Community Form: Goal 1	18. Mitigate adverse impacts of noise from proposed development on existing communities.	√	No existing communities are located in proximity to the site. One residential structure is located close to the site. Buffering is being provided, and a binding element on the site would prevent idling of trucks within 200 feet of this residence.
8	Community Form: Goal 1	21. Require that industries which handle hazardous or flammable materials or are potentially offensive such as junkyards, landfills and quarries are sited to protect public health, safety and welfare and are located away from residential areas and population centers.	✓	The proposed zoning district would permit landfills and uses of similar intensity. The site is situated such that public health, safety and welfare would be protected, as only one residence is located near the site.
9	Community Form: Goal 2	1. Locate activity centers in appropriate areas in all Form Districts. Design and density should be compatible with desired form, adjacent uses, and existing and planned infrastructure.	√	The site is located adjacent to an existing workplace form district and the design and density will be compatible with the desired form, adjacent uses and existing and planned infrastructure. A form district change is requested.
10	Community Form: Goal 2	5. Locate retail commercial development in activity centers where it can be demonstrated that sufficient population exists or is anticipated to support it.	✓	The site is located in an existing activity and employment center.
11	Community Form: Goal 2	6. Encourage a more compact development pattern in activity centers that result in efficient land use and cost-effective infrastructure investment.	√	The proposed zoning district would permit a more compact pattern of development.
12	Community Form: Goal 2	7. Encourage activity centers to include a mixture of compatible land uses in order to reduce traffic congestion by requiring fewer trips, support and enhance alternative modes of travel, and encourage vitality and a sense of place.	✓	The proposed zoning district would permit industrial uses which would be appropriate for the neighborhood, which is mostly industrial in nature already.

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13	Community Form: Goal 2	8. Encourage residential land uses in designated centers. Encourage residential and office uses above retail and other mixed-use multi-story retail buildings.	√	The proposal to rezone a portion of the site to C-2 would permit residential uses above retail and other mixed-use multi-story retail buildings moving forward.
14	Community Form: Goal 2	9. Encourage new developments and rehabilitation of buildings that provide commercial, office and/or residential uses.	✓	The proposed zoning district would permit commercial, office or residential uses. The C-2 zoning district would permit the existing residential structure to continue to be used residentially.
15	Community Form: Goal 2	10. Encourage outlot development in underutilized parking lots of existing development to promote utilization of existing infrastructure provided specific criteria for elements such as location, scale, signs, parking, lighting, and landscaping are met. Outlot development shall encourage street-level retail with residential units above.	√	The proposal does not include underutilized parking lots.
16	Community Form: Goal 3	9. Encourage development that respects the natural features of the site through sensitive site design, avoids substantial changes to the topography, and minimizes property damage and environmental degradation resulting from disturbance of natural systems.	√	No natural features are evident on the site.
17	Community Form: Goal 3	10. Encourage development to avoid wet or highly permeable soils, severe, steep or unstable slopes where the potential for severe erosion problems exists in order to prevent property damage and public costs associated with soil slippage and foundation failure and to minimize environmental degradation.	✓	No wet or highly permeable soils, or severe, steep or unstable slopes are evident on the site.

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18	Community Form: Goal 3	11. Encourage land uses within the Ohio River Corridor that are appropriate for and related to river corridor activities and that are consistent with the goals and objectives of the Ohio River Corridor Master Plan. Reserve appropriate riverfront sites such as the Upper River Road industrial area for river-related development. Allow development of commercial leisure businesses related to the river, such as boating services and restaurants in appropriate locations. Encourage new development in the Ohio River corridor and along key greenway and street connections to provide for public access in new riverfront development and to maintain views of the river from public rights-of-way.	NA	The site is near but not within the Ohio River Corridor.
19	Community Form: Goal 3	12. When reviewing proposed developments consider changes to flood-prone areas and other features vulnerable to natural disasters such as sinkholes and landslides. Ensure appropriate measures to protect health, safety and welfare of future users of the development.	NA	The site is not located in a flood-prone area or on karst terrain.
20	Community Form: Goal 4	1. Preserve buildings, sites, districts and landscapes that are recognized as having historic or architectural value and ensure that new land uses are compatible in height, massing, scale, architecture style and placement when located within the impact area of such resources.	NA	No historic or architectural resources are evident on the site. The existing structure will be re-used.
21	Community Form: Goal 4	2. Encourage preservation of distinctive cultural features including landscapes, natural elements and built features.	NA	No distinctive cultural features are evident on the site.
22	Mobility: Goal 1	4. Encourage higher densities and intensities within or near existing marketplace corridors, existing and future activity centers, and employment centers to support transit-oriented development and an efficient public transportation system.	✓	The site is located on Dixie Highway, a major arterial street, and within an existing industrial activity and employment center.

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23	Mobility: Goal 3	2. To improve mobility, and reduce vehicle miles traveled and congestion, encourage a mixture of compatible land uses that are easily accessible by bicycle, car, transit, pedestrians and people with disabilities. Housing should be encouraged near employment centers.	NA	The proposed zoning district would permit use of the site for heavy truck parking, which would not attract customers who would need to use transit or access the site.
24	Mobility: Goal 3	3. Evaluate developments for their ability to promote public transit and pedestrian use. Encourage higher density mixeduse developments that reduce the need for multiple automobile trips as a means of achieving air quality standards and providing transportation and housing choices.	NA	The proposed zoning district would permit use of the site for heavy truck parking, which would not attract customers who would need to use transit or access the site.
	Mobility: Goal 3	4. Encourage development of walkable centers to connect different modes of travel. Siting of these multi-modal centers shall consider the effects of the following:		Transportation Planning has approved the proposal.
		4.1. nodal connections identified by Move Louisville;		
25		4.2. impact on freight routes;	✓	
		4.3. time of operation of facilities;4.4. safety;		
		4.5. appropriate linkages between neighborhoods and employment; and		
		4.6. the potential for reducing travel times and vehicle miles traveled.		
26	Mobility: Goal 3	5. Evaluate developments for their impact on the transportation network (including the street, pedestrian, transit, freight movement and bike facilities and services) and air quality.	√	Transportation Planning has approved the proposal.
27	Mobility: Goal 3	6. Ensure that those who propose new developments bear or share in rough proportionality the costs of transportation facilities and services made necessary by development.	✓	Transportation Planning has approved the proposal.

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28	Mobility: Goal 3	9. When existing transportation facilities and services are inadequate and public funds are not available to rectify the situation, the developer may be asked to make improvements, roughly proportional to the projected impact of the proposed development, to eliminate present inadequacies if such improvements would be the only means by which the development would be considered appropriate at the proposed location.	√	Transportation Planning has approved the proposal.
29	Mobility: Goal 3	10. Ensure that necessary improvements occur in accordance with long-range transportation plans and level of mobility criteria for all modes of travel.	✓	Transportation Planning has approved the proposal.
30	Community Facilities: Goal 2	Locate development in areas served by existing utilities or capable of being served by public or private utility extensions.	✓	The relevant utilities have approved the proposal.
31	Community Facilities: Goal 2	2. Ensure that all development has an adequate supply of potable water and water for fire-fighting purposes. Locate only very low-density land uses on sites that use on-lot sewage disposal systems or on a private supply of potable water.	√	Louisville Water Company has approved the proposal.
32	Community Facilities: Goal 2	3. Ensure that all development has adequate means of sewage treatment and disposal to protect public health and to protect water quality in lakes and streams as determined by the Metropolitan Sewer District (MSD).	√	MSD has approved the proposal.
33	Economic Development: Goal 1	1. Limit land uses in workplace Form Districts to compatible uses that meet the needs of the industrial subdivision or workplace district and their employees.	✓	The proposal would permit compatible land uses which meet the needs of the existing industrial employment center and workplace district.
34	Economic Development: Goal 1	2. Encourage industries, to the extent possible, to locate in industrial subdivisions or adjacent to an existing industry to take advantage of special infrastructure needs.	✓	The site is located adjacent to existing industrial zoning and uses.

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35	Economic Development: Goal 1	3. Locate commercial uses generating high volumes of traffic on a major arterial street, at the intersection of two minor arterials, or at a location with adequate access to a major arterial and at locations where nuisances and activities of the proposed use will not adversely affect adjacent areas.	√	The site is located on a major arterial street, Dixie Highway.
36	Economic Development: Goal 1	4. Utilize industrial sites near the airport and the Ohio River to support the growth and development of uses whose infrastructure and production needs require such a location or for land uses that support airport-oriented or river-oriented industrial uses.	NA	The site is not located near the airport and is not within the Ohio River Corridor.
37	Economic Development: Goal 1	5. Require industrial developments to locate with the appropriate transportation connectivity, near an arterial street or within existing industrial subdivisions.	✓	The site is located on a major arterial street, Dixie Highway.
38	Livability: Goal 1	17. Determine site susceptibility to erosion; identify the presence of on-site carbonate conditions and features that are vulnerable to site disturbance; identify the extent of existing groundwater use and the impacts of the project on groundwater resources, flow patterns, and existing and proposed surface drainage. Then mitigate potential hazards to such systems resulting from the project.	NA	The site is not located on karst terrain.
39	Livability: Goal 1	21. Mitigate negative development impacts to the integrity of the regulatory floodplain by encouraging development patterns that minimize disturbance and consider the increased risk of more frequent flooding events.	NA	The site is not located in the regulatory floodplain.
40	Livability: Goal 1	24. Ensure, to the extent feasible, that critical facilities and those that store or use hazardous wastes are located outside the regulatory floodplain. Where essential community facilities must be located within a floodplain (e.g., pumping stations), ensure that these facilities are designed, located and operated in a manner that minimizes loss of services during flood events as well as limits, to the extent possible, floodplain disturbance.	NA	The site is not located in the regulatory floodplain.

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41	Housing: Goal 1	2. Promote housing options and environments that support aging in place. Encourage housing for older adults and people with disabilities to be located close to shopping and transit routes and, when possible, medical and other supportive facilities.	√	The proposed C-2 zoning district would permit the continued use of the residence for residential uses, permitting the applicant to continue to live on site while running the business.
42	Housing: Goal 2	1. Encourage inter-generational, mixed-income and mixed-use development that is connected to the neighborhood and surrounding area.	✓	The proposed C-2 zoning district would permit inter-generational mixed-income and mixed-use development.
43	Housing: Goal 2	2. Locate housing within proximity to multi-modal transportation corridors providing safe and convenient access to employment opportunities, as well as within proximity to amenities providing neighborhood goods and services. Higher density, accessible residential uses should be located along transit corridors and in or near activity centers.	√	The site is located on Dixie Highway and near an existing employment center.
44	Housing: Goal 3	2. As neighborhoods evolve, discourage displacement of existing residents from their community.	✓	No existing residents would be displaced by the proposal.
45	Housing: Goal 3	3. Encourage the use of innovative methods such as clustering, mixed-use developments, co-housing, and accessory apartments to increase the production of fair and affordable housing.	✓	The proposed C-2 zoning district would permit innovative methods of housing.

4. Proposed Binding Elements

- The development shall be in accordance with the approved district development plan, all
 applicable sections of the Land Development Code (LDC) and agreed upon binding elements
 unless amended pursuant to the Land Development Code. Any changes/additions/alterations of
 any binding element(s) shall be submitted to the Planning Commission or the Planning
 Commission's designee for review and approval; any changes/additions/alterations not so
 referred shall not be valid.
- 2. No outdoor advertising signs, small freestanding signs, pennants, balloons, or banners shall be permitted on the site. The existing large sign on the property may be retained, but it shall not be expanded or enlarged and shall only be used for on-premises signage.
- 3. Construction fencing shall be erected when off-site trees or tree canopy exists within 3' of a common property line. Fencing shall be in place prior to any grading or construction to protect the existing root systems from compaction. The fencing shall enclose the entire area beneath the tree canopy and shall remain in place until all construction is completed. No parking, material storage or construction activities are permitted within the protected area.

- 4. Before any permit (including but not limited to building, parking lot, change of use, site disturbance, alteration permit or demolition permit) is requested:
 - a. The development plan must receive full construction approval from Construction Review, Louisville Metro Public Works and the Metropolitan Sewer District.
 - b. Encroachment permits must be obtained from the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet for any work in the Dixie Highway right-of-way.
 - c. A minor plat or legal instrument shall be recorded consolidating the property into one lot. A copy of the recorded instrument shall be submitted to the Division of Planning and Design Services; transmittal of the approved plans to the office responsible for permit issuance will occur only after receipt of said instrument.
 - d. The property owner/developer must obtain approval of a detailed plan for screening (buffering/landscaping) as described in Chapter 10 prior to requesting a certificate of occupancy. Such plan shall be implemented prior to occupancy of the site and shall be maintained thereafter.
 - e. A Tree Preservation Plan in accordance with Chapter 10 of the LDC shall be reviewed and approved prior to obtaining approval for site disturbance.
 - f. A road closure approval for the unnamed alley shall be approved prior to requesting any permit.
- 5. A certificate of occupancy must be received from the appropriate code enforcement department prior to occupancy of the structure or land for the proposed use. All binding elements requiring action and approval must be implemented prior to requesting issuance of the certificate of occupancy, unless specifically waived by the Planning Commission.
- 6. No idling of trucks shall take place within 200 feet of residential structures other than the structure on the site.
- 7. There shall be no outdoor music (live, piped, radio or amplified) or outdoor entertainment or outdoor PA system audible beyond the property line.
- 8. The applicant, developer, or property owner shall provide copies of these binding elements to tenants, purchasers, contractors, subcontractors and other parties engaged in development of this site and shall advise them of the content of these binding elements. These binding elements shall run with the land and the owner of the property and occupant of the property shall at all times be responsible for compliance with these binding elements. At all times during development of the site, the applicant and developer, their heirs, successors; and assignees, contractors, subcontractors, and other parties engaged in development of the site, shall be responsible for compliance with these binding elements.
- 9. Trucks required by USDOT regulations to display hazardous materials placards shall not be parked on site.

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