Development Review Committee Staff Report October 16, 2019



Case No: Project Name: Location: Owner(s): Applicant: Jurisdiction: Council District: Case Manager: 19WAIVER1001 Sidewalk Waiver 8600 Shepherdsville Road Ricardo Martinez Agustin Martinez Louisville Metro 24 – Madonna Flood Lacey Gabbard, AICP, Planner I

<u>REQUEST</u>

1. **Waiver** of Land Development Code section 5.8.1.B to not provide the sidewalks for a new single family home along Miles Lane

CASE SUMMARY/BACKGROUND

The applicant is proposing to construct a single family home on an existing R-4 zoned lot in the Neighborhood form district. The lot is located in Okolona, at the southwest corner of Shepherdsville Road and Miles Lane.

With a few exceptions, the subject site appears to be one of the only currently undeveloped lots on Shepherdsville Road. It appears to be the only undeveloped property on this portion of Miles Lane. The majority of the other homes in the vicinity were built in the 1950s, according to PVA. There are existing sidewalks on the west side of Shepherdsville Road and the north side of Miles Lane in this area. There are no transit stops on this portion of Shepherdsville Road or Miles Lane.

STAFF FINDING

The waiver request is adequately justified and meets the standard of review.

TECHNICAL REVIEW

There are no outstanding technical issues concerning this request.

INTERESTED PARTY COMMENTS

Staff has received no comments from interested parties concerning this case.

STANDARD OF REVIEW AND STAFF ANALYSIS FOR WAIVER OF SECTION 5.8.1.B TO NOT PROVIDE THE SIDEWALKS FOR A NEW SINGLE FAMILY HOME ALONG MILES LANE

(a) <u>The waiver will not adversely affect adjacent property owners; and</u>

STAFF: The waiver will not adversely affect adjacent property owners, as there are existing sidewalks on the west side of Shepherdsville Road and the north side of Miles Lane.

(b) <u>Granting of the waiver will result in a development in compliance with the Comprehensive Plan</u> and the overall intent of this Land Development Code; and

STAFF: Land Use & Development Goal 1, Policy 1.3 promotes sidewalks along the streets of all developments. Land Use & Development Goal 1, Policy 1 states that in order for promote healthy lifestyles and reduce congestion, new development and redevelopment should provide for the movement of pedestrians, bicyclists and transit users, where appropriate. Land Use & Development Goal 3, Policy 5 states that developments should be evaluated for their impact on the transportation network (including the street, pedestrian, transit, freight movement and bike facilities and services) and air quality.

With a few exceptions, the subject site appears to be one of the only currently undeveloped lots on Shepherdsville Road. It appears to be the only undeveloped property on this portion of Miles Lane. There are existing sidewalks on the west side of Shepherdsville Road and the north side of Miles Lane. A sidewalk on this property would not be utilized by pedestrians and does not seem appropriate since there does not appear to be the opportunity for future connectivity.

(c) <u>The applicant cannot reasonably comply with one of the listed methods of compliance (section 6.2.6.C); and</u>

STAFF: The fee in lieu option has not been offered. While there are no geographic features that would inhibit the construction of sidewalks, a sidewalk on this property would not be utilized by pedestrians and does not seem appropriate since there does not appear to be the opportunity for future connectivity.

(d) <u>Strict application of the provision of the regulation would deprive the applicant of the reasonable</u> use of the land or would create an unnecessary hardship on the applicant; and

STAFF: The strict application of the provisions of the regulation would create an unnecessary hardship on the applicant, as a sidewalk on this property would not be utilized by pedestrians and does not seem appropriate since there does not appear to be the opportunity for future connectivity.

(e) <u>There are site constraints that make sidewalk construction impractical or sidewalks do not exist</u> in the area and there is not a likelihood for sidewalks to be constructed in the future, except for areas where sidewalks are recommended within a Planning Commission or legislatively adopted plan recommending sidewalk construction.

STAFF: Sidewalks do not exist in the area and there is not a likelihood for sidewalks to be constructed in the future.

REQUIRED ACTIONS:

• **APPROVE** or **DENY** the **Waiver**

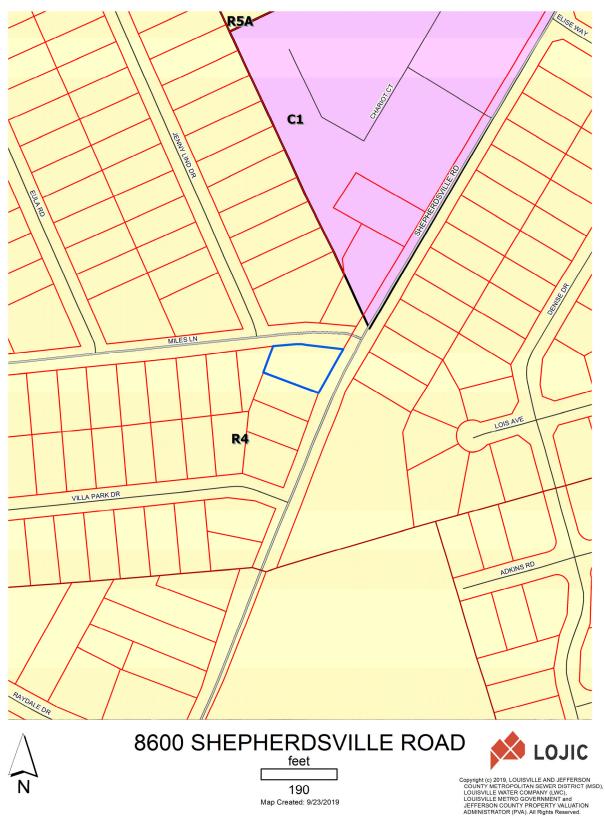
NOTIFICATION

Date	Purpose of Notice	Recipients
10-16-19	Hearing before DRC	1 st tier adjoining property owners
	_	Registered Neighborhood Groups in Council District 24

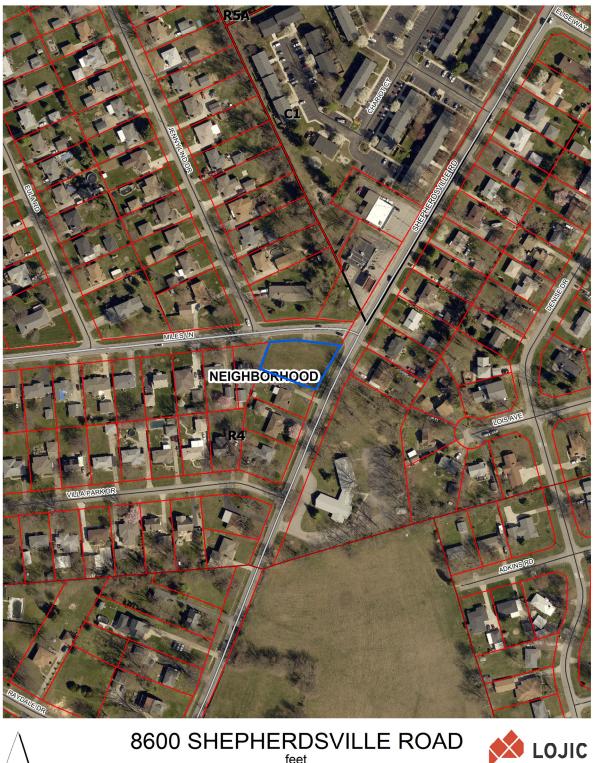
ATTACHMENTS

- 1.
- Zoning Map Aerial Photograph 2.

1. Zoning Map



Aerial Photograph 2.









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