# Planning Commission Staff Report

December 2, 2021



**Case No:** 21-FBH-0006

**Project Name:** 716 E Burnett Factory Built House

Location:716 E Burnett AveOwner(s):Robert WoerdichApplicant:Robert WoerdichJurisdiction:Louisville MetroCouncil District:4 – Jecorey Arthur

Case Manager: Zachary Schwager, Planner 1

## REQUEST(S)

 Approval of a factory built housing request that does not conform with one or more of the standards listed in sub-section 4.1.2.B of the Land Development Code.

### **CASE SUMMARY/BACKGROUND**

The applicant proposes to place a factory-built home on .14 acres. The subject site is zoned R-6 in the Traditional Neighborhood Form District. The subject site qualifies as infill because more than 50% of the block face is built out.

The proposed house:



Section 4.1.2.B.6 of the Land Development Code requires that the roof pitch on a factory-built house shall be within the range of the roof pitches of the two nearest houses. The two nearest houses have roof pitches of 4:12 and 5:12. The applicant is requesting a roof pitch slope of 3:12. All other requirements are met.

The Planning Commission may approve factory-built housing that does not conform with one of more of the standards listed in sub-section 4.1.2.B if the Commission finds that the proposed housing:

- Is compatible with existing housing located within a one-eighth mile radius;
- Complies with applicable standards of the form district in which it is located; and conforms to applicable provisions of the Comprehensive Plan.

## **STAFF FINDING**

Staff finds the request is adequately justified and meets the standard of review.

## **TECHNICAL REVIEW**

None required.

## **INTERESTED PARTY COMMENTS**

Staff has not received any formal comments.

## STANDARD OF REVIEW AND STAFF ANALYSIS

(a) The factory built home compatible with existing housing located within a one-eighth mile radius; and

STAFF: A one-eighth mile buffer was applied to the subject site. There are a variety of housing types and roof pitches within this area, many of which are similar in aesthetic to the proposed house. A few examples are below.

722 and 718 E Burnett Avenue:



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## 711 E Burnett Avenue:



639 E Burnett Avenue



(b) The factory built home complies with applicable standards of the form district in which it is located and conforms to applicable provisions in the Comprehensive Plan.

STAFF: Section 4.6 of Plan 2040 sets the goal to expand and ensure a diverse range of housing choices and ensure long-term affordability and livable options in all neighborhoods. Some objectives in the plan to meet these goals include flexible zoning/design regulations encourage diverse housing options, varieties of housing types and densities are promoted, infill development and adaptive reuse are promoted, redevelopment of vacant and underused properties for residential uses is encouraged, and housing types are integrated into the surrounding neighborhood through complementary design. The proposed home will not violate specific guidelines of Plan 2040 as the proposal will allow for the residential use of the site in a manner that is appropriate for the form district and surrounding area. The structure will not allow an unreasonable circumvention of the regulations or cause a hazard to the public. The structure complies with the Comprehensive Plan.

The Traditional Neighborhood Form District regulations state that the form district will contain compatible infill development whether residential or commercial and will contain inclusive housing opportunities.

Additionally, this site is located within the boundaries of the 2015 Louisville Central Rail Corridor Area-Wide Brownfield Plan. Goals of the plan include promoting the redevelopment of vacant, abandoned or underutilized Corridor properties and encouraging additional inclusive residential growth.

## **REQUIRED ACTIONS**

APPROVE or DENY the Factory Built Housing application.

## **NOTIFICATION**

• Business Session Item – None Required.

#### **ATTACHMENTS**

- 1. Zoning Map
- 2. Aerial Photograph
- 3. Site Plan

# 1. Zoning Map



# 2. Aerial Map



## 3. Site Plan

