

Development Review Committee

Staff Report

Date: February 2, 2022



Case No:	21-DDP-0119
Project Name:	Electron Drive Office Building
Location:	Corner of Electron Drive and Blankenbaker Pwy (Parcel ID: 003910470000)
Owner(s):	NTS Plainview Office Partnership
Applicant:	Nathan Wright, Mindel Scott
Jurisdiction:	Louisville Metro
Council District:	11 – Kevin Kramer
Case Manager:	Molly Clark, Planner I

REQUEST(S)

- Revised Detailed District Development plan with proposed binding elements.

CASE SUMMARY/BACKGROUND

The applicant is proposing a 19,200 SF office with a shop that handles small tools and scaffolding. This site is zoned PEC in the Suburban Workplace Form District and is currently vacant.

STAFF FINDING

Staff finds that the proposal meets the standard of review and requirements of the Land Development Code.

TECHNICAL REVIEW

Transportation Planning and MSD have preliminarily approved the proposal.

INTERESTED PARTY COMMENTS

Staff has not received any interested party comments.

STANDARD OF REVIEW AND STAFF ANALYSIS FOR RDDDP and AMENDMENT TO BINDING ELEMENTS

- 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: There do not appear to be any environmental constraints or historic resources on the subject site. Tree canopy requirements of the Land Development Code will be provided on the subject site.

- 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: There are no open space requirements pertinent to the current proposal. Future multi-family development proposed on the subject site will be required to meet Land Development Code requirements.

- 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 and land uses are compatible with the existing and future development of the area. Appropriate landscape buffering and screening will be provided to screen adjacent properties and roadways. Buildings and parking lots will meet all required setbacks.

- 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 non-residential and mixed-use intent of the form districts and comprehensive plan.

STAFF: The development plan conforms to applicable guidelines and policies of the Comprehensive Plan and to requirements of the Land Development Code.

REQUIRED ACTIONS:

- **APPROVED or DENY the Revised Detailed District Development Plan with proposed binding elements**

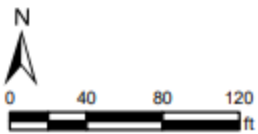
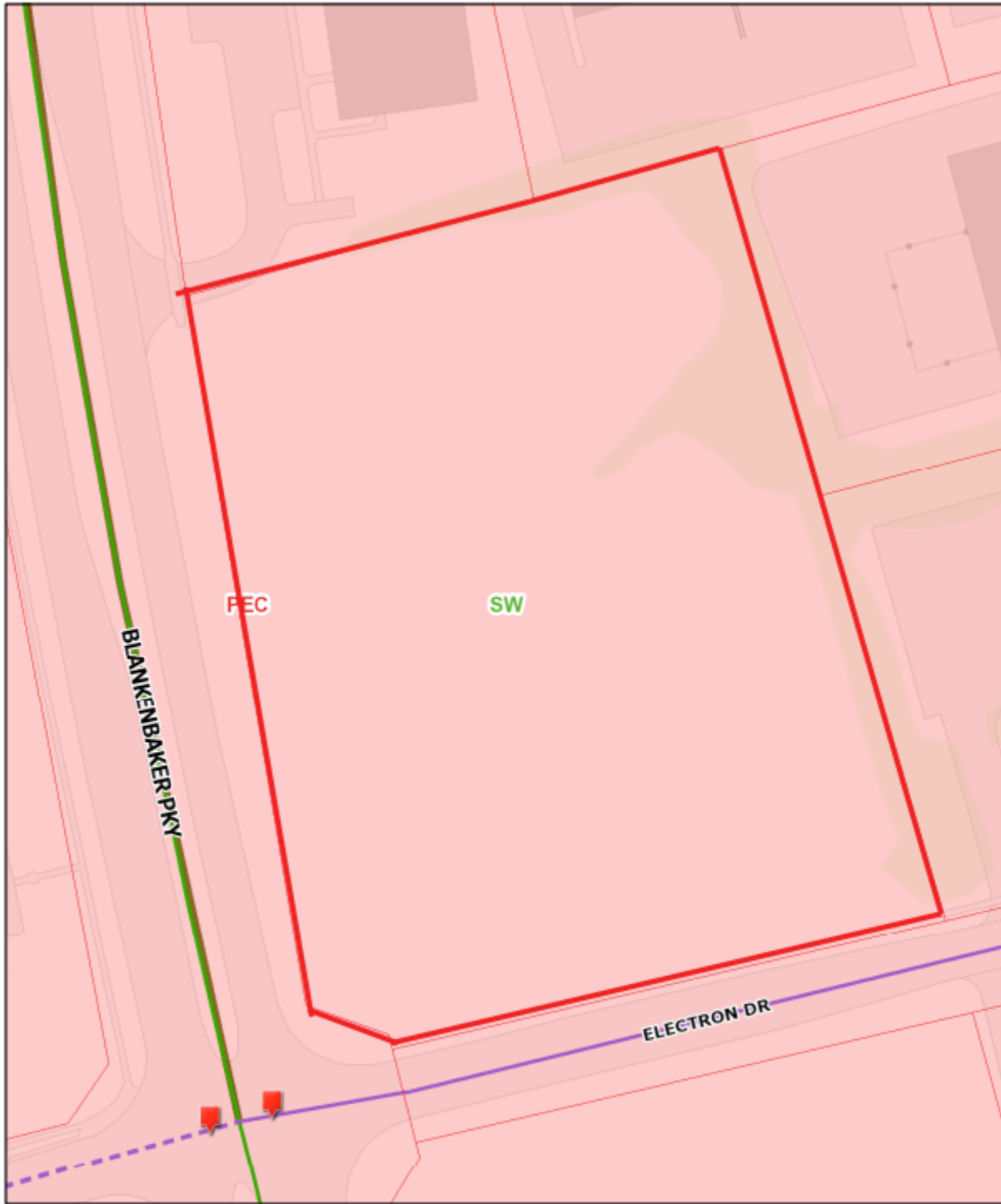
NOTIFICATION

Date	Purpose of Notice	Recipients
1-14-22	Hearing before 2-2-22	1 st tier property owners and current residents Speakers at Planning Commission public hearing Registered Neighborhood Groups in Council District 11

ATTACHMENTS

1. Zoning Map
2. Aerial Photograph
3. Existing Binding Elements
4. Proposed Binding Elements

1. Zoning Map



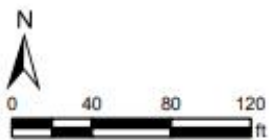
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2. Aerial Photograph



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3. Existing Binding Elements

All binding elements from the approved General Development Plan are applicable to this site, in addition to the following:

1. The development shall be in accordance with the approved district development plan and agreed upon binding elements unless amended pursuant to the Zoning District Regulations. Any changes, additions, or alterations of any binding element(s) shall be submitted to the Planning Commission for review and approval; any changes/additions/alterations not so referred shall not be valid.
2. The development shall not exceed 55,000 square feet of gross floor area.
3. The only permitted freestanding sign shall be a monument style sign, located as shown on the approved development plan/sign plan. No portion of the sign, including the leading edge of the sign frame, shall be closer than 30 feet to front property lines. The sign shall not exceed 60 square feet in area per side and 6 feet in height. No sign shall have more than two sides.
4. No outdoor advertising signs, small free-standing signs, pennants, balloons, or banners shall be permitted on site.
5. There shall be no outdoor storage, display or sales permitted on the site.
6. Outdoor lighting (for parking lot illumination and security) shall be directed down and away from surrounding residential properties. Lighting fixtures shall have a 90 degree cutoff and height of the light standard shall be set so that no light source is visible off-site. (light levels due to lighting on the subject site shall not exceed 0.5 foot candles measured at the property line. The applicant shall obtain certification by a qualified expert in measurement of lighting levels prior to requesting a certificate of occupancy such certification shall be maintained on site at all times thereafter).
7. Before any permit (including but not limited to building, parking lot, change of use or alteration permit) is requested:
 - a. The development plan must receive full construction approval from the Jefferson County Department of Public Works and Transportation (400 Fiscal Court Building) and the Metropolitan Sewer District (700 West Liberty).
 - b. The property owner/developer must obtain approval of a detailed plan for screening (buffering/landscaping) as described in Article 12 (and in conformance with the Parkway Policy) prior to requesting a building permit. Such plan shall be implemented prior to occupancy of the site and shall be maintained thereafter.
8. If a building permit is not issued within one year of the date of approval of the plan, the property shall not be used in any manner unless a revised district development plan is approved or an extension is granted by the Planning Commission.
9. 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.
10. The applicant, developer, or property owner shall provide copies of these binding elements to tenants, purchaser, 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.

11. If work is required within the easements causing removal or damage of landscape materials, the property owner shall be responsible for replacement of materials according to the approved landscape plan.
12. The dumpster shall not be emptied between the hours of 10 p.m. and 7 a.m.
13. The materials and design of the proposed structures shall be substantially the same as depicted in the rendering as presented at the February 14, 2002 LD&T.
14. No idling of trucks shall take place within 200 feet of single-family residences. No overnight idling of trucks shall be permitted on-site.

4. Proposed Binding Elements

All binding elements from the approved General Development Plan are applicable to this site, in addition to the following:

1. 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.
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. The property owner/developer must obtain approval of a detailed plan for screening (buffering/landscaping) as described in Chapter 10 prior to requesting a building permit. Such plan shall be implemented prior to occupancy of the site and shall be maintained thereafter.
 - c. The materials and design of proposed structures shall be substantially the same as depicted in the rendering as presented at the February 2nd, 2022 DRC meeting. A copy of the approved rendering is available in the case file on record in the offices of the Louisville Metro Planning Commission.
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. There shall be no outdoor music (live, piped, radio or amplified) or outdoor entertainment or outdoor PA system audible beyond the property line or permitted on the site).
7. 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.
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