

Development Review Committee
Staff Report
May 4th, 2016



Case No:	16DEVPLAN1053
Request:	Detailed District Development Plan
Project Name:	Meredith Machinery
Location:	2640 Technology Drive
Owner:	Dave Meredith, Meredith Realty, LLC
Applicant:	Stan Lichtefeld, Litchefeld Incorporated
Representative:	Alex Rosenberg, AL Engineering, Inc
Jurisdiction:	Jeffersontown
Council District:	11 – Kevin Kramer
Case Manager:	Laura Mattingly-Humphrey, Planner I

REQUEST

- Detailed District Development Plan

CASE SUMMARY/BACKGROUND/SITE CONTEXT

The applicant is proposing a 12,000 square foot office/warehouse on a vacant parcel with associated parking. Primary access will be from Technology Drive. Although it is not required within the Suburban Workplace form district, the proposal includes a vehicular connection with the manufacturing property to the east.

LAND USE/ZONING DISTRICT/FORM DISTRICT TABLE

	Land Use	Zoning	Form District
<i>Subject Property</i>			
Existing	Vacant	PEC	SW
Proposed	Office/Warehouse	PEC	SW
<i>Surrounding Properties</i>			
North	Office/Warehouse	PEC	SW
South	Warehouse	PEC	SW
East	Manufacturing	PEC	SW
West	Warehouse	PEC	SW

PREVIOUS CASES ON SITE

9-7-96: Rezoning from R-4 to PEC for the Blankenbaker Commerce Center.

INTERESTED PARTY COMMENTS

None received.

APPLICABLE PLANS AND POLICIES

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: This site currently has 52.4% tree coverage. The proposal is preserving 18,700 SF of tree coverage and planting another 5,040 SF. The site also has steep slopes on the northern half of the property, where there is a green space, sewer & drainage easement.

- 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 with access from Technology Drive and a vehicular connection with the property to the east.

- 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 with the current proposal.

- 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 provisions of adequate drainage facilities on the subject site in order to prevent drainage problems from occurring on the subject site or within the community. The proposal also includes an onsite detention basin within the drainage easement.

- 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 land use and building design, being a warehouse and conforming to all non-residential building design standards, are compatible with the existing and future development of the area which is the intent of the PEC zoning classification.

- 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 meets or exceeds all requirements of the Land Development Code and therefore is compliant with the Comprehensive Plan.

TECHNICAL REVIEW

- The proposed development plan is in order and has received preliminary approvals from Transportation Planning Review and the Metropolitan Sewer District.
- A geotechnical report and karst survey, as required under Sections 4.7.4 & 4.9.3, have been submitted and are available within the PDS case file.
- This property is under minor plat review to shift the eastern property line (16MINORPLAT1024).

STAFF CONCLUSIONS

The Detailed District Development Plan meets the standard of review based on staff analysis in the staff report.

Based upon the information in the staff report, the testimony and evidence provided at the public hearing, the Development Review Committee must determine if the proposal meets the standards for recommendation of approval of the DDDP to the city of Jeffersontown established in the Land Development Code.

NOTIFICATION

Date	Purpose of Notice	Recipients
4/19/2016	Public Hearing - DRC	Neighborhood notification recipients
4/21/2016	Public Hearing - DRC	1 st tier adjoining property owners

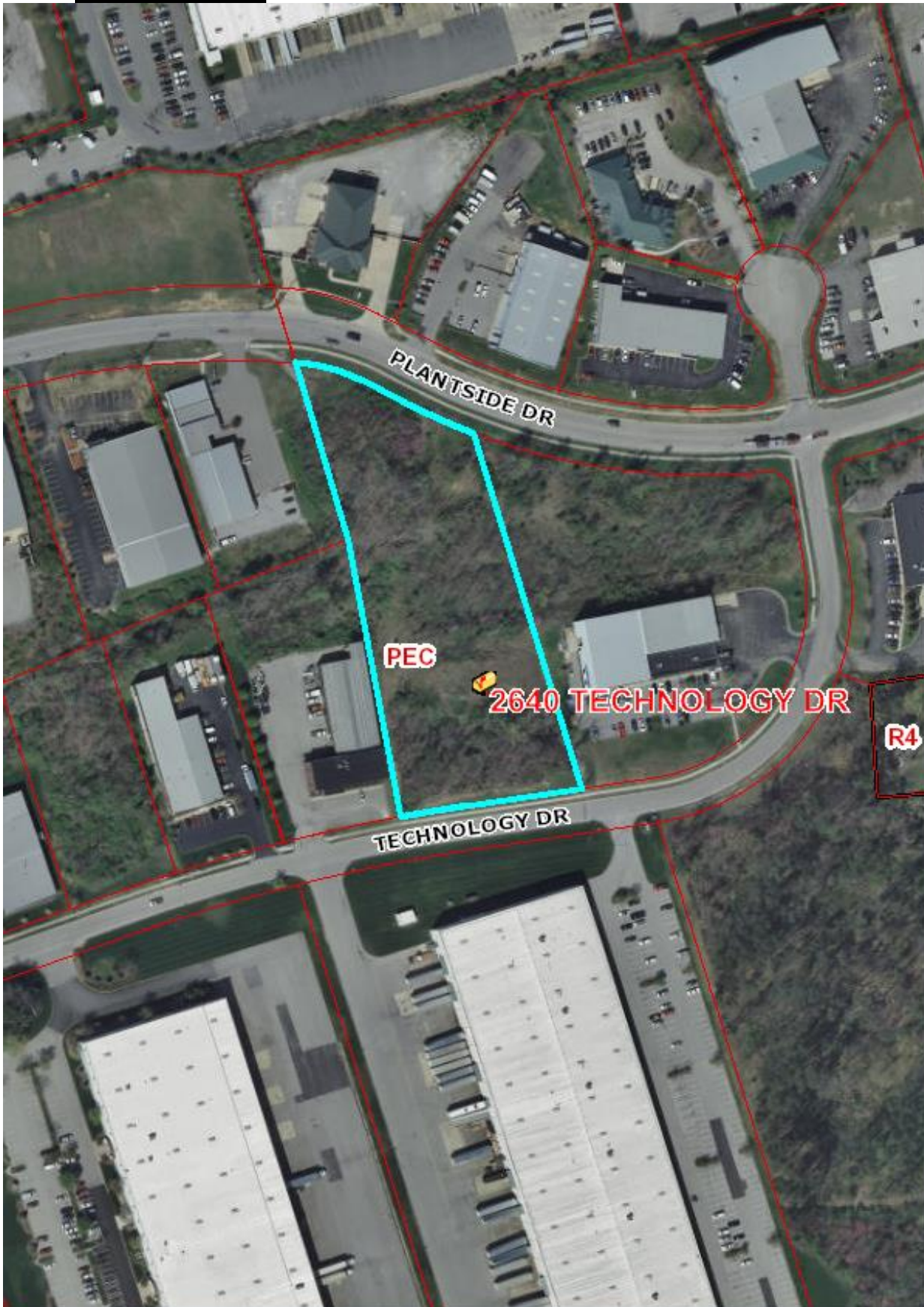
ATTACHMENTS

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

1. **Zoning Map**



2. Aerial Photograph



3. Proposed Binding Elements

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 (and to the city of Jeffersontown) for review and approval; any changes/additions/alterations not so referred shall not be valid.
2. The development shall not exceed 12,000 square feet of gross floor area.
3. Signs shall be in accordance with Chapter 8 of the Land Development Code.
4. No outdoor advertising signs, small freestanding signs, pennants, balloons, or banners shall be permitted on the site.
5. 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.
6. 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 Louisville Metro Department of Codes and Regulations Construction Permits and Transportation Planning Review and the Metropolitan Sewer District.
 - b. A minor subdivision plat shall be recorded creating the lot lines as shown on the development plan. A copy of the recorded instrument shall be submitted to the Division of Planning and Design Services; transmittal of approved plans to the office responsible for permit issuance will occur only after receipt of said instrument.
 - e. 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.
 - h. A reciprocal access and crossover easement agreement in a form acceptable to the Planning Commission legal counsel shall be created between the adjoining property owners and recorded. A copy of the recorded instrument shall be submitted to the Division of Planning and Design Services; transmittal of approved plans to the office responsible for permit issuance will occur only after receipt of said instrument.
 - j. A Tree Preservation Plan in accordance with Chapter 10 of the LDC shall be reviewed and approved prior to obtaining approval for site disturbance.
7. Prior to any site disturbance permit being issued and prior to any clearing, grading or issuance of a site disturbance permit , a site inspection shall be conducted by PDS staff to ensure

proper placement of required tree protection fencing in accordance with the approved Tree Preservation Plan.

8. If a building permit is not issued within one two years of the date of approval of the plan or rezoning, whichever is later, 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. 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.
10. 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.