# Planning Commission Staff Report

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## **REQUEST**

- Change in Zoning from R-5, Single-Family Resiential to O-R, Office-Residential on 0.18 acres
- Variance from Section 5.2.2 to reduce the 3' side yard setback to 0' along the northern property line
- Waiver from Section 10.2.10 to eliminate the required 5' VUA LBA along the northern property line shared with a residential zone
- Waiver from Section 10.2.4 to allow the existing structure and parking to encroach into the 10' LBA along the southern and northern property lines and to not provide plantings along the northern property line.
- **Detailed District Development Plan** with Binding Elements

#### CASE SUMMARY/BACKGROUND

This case was continued from the March 1, 2018 meeting of the Planning Commission due to a need for clarification on the office use. Additionally the commissioners requested parking related technical revisions to the plan. - ADA spaces added, garage not dimensioned

The applicant is proposing to continue the use of a bookkeeping office with four employees and one upstairs apartment within an existing home in the Beechmont Neighborhood, just south of I-264. There will be no changes to the building area of the home but the applicant is proposing an expansion of the existing driveway in order to accommodate parking. There will be a total of five parking spaces, although the garage space shown on the development plan cannot be counted toward the required parking minimum.

Two permits were issued for this site for demolishing a rear portion of the home and for a sewer extension for conversion from single family to apartment and office, finalized 12/30/16. The first complaint was filed on 1/23/17 for work being done on site prior to zoning approval. Six more complaints were filed including further site and building modification, non-permitted use in a residential zone and gravel being added to the driveway. The last complaint for residents parking in the front yard was filed on 2/2/18. Code enforcement has inspected the site several times, issued verbal warnings and sent notice. The applicant has moved forward with the zoning in order to bring the site into compliance.

## **STAFF FINDING**

Staff finds that the proposed change in zoning is consistent with the applicable guidelines and policies of Cornerstone 2020. The proposal is re-using and preserving an existing home in a stable, historic neighborhood

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· Based on office use, not necessarily staffing office,

with an existing grid pattern of streets and sidewalks. The character of the structure will remain as there are no proposed building design changes. The office use will be adding a potentially neighborhood serving use in an area dominated by single family housing. There is a small commercial area to the north of the site across S 3<sup>rd</sup> Street and small pockets of commercially zoned properties throughout the neighborhood. The site is easily accessible by transit or car as there is a transit route along South 3<sup>rd</sup> Street, a minor arterial, and the site is just south of the Watterson Expressway ramp. The variance and waivers appear justified as the properties to the north are vacant and unlikely to be developed for residential use and the applicant has offered to install a 6' privacy fence around the rear yard for mitigation.

## TECHNICAL REVIEW

- Transportation and MSD have given preliminary approvals.
- The applicant has agreed to provide a privacy fence along the northern property line in addition to the privacy fence shown on the development plan, in order to mitigate for the landscape waivers.
- Dimensions have not been shown for the garage space shown on the development plan as requested at the March 1 Planning Commission. Regardless, the minimum parking requirement of four spaces has been met on site. The applicant has also revised the plan to include two ADA spaces.

## **INTERESTED PARTY COMMENTS**

Staff has received several emails and phone calls in opposition. The Beechmont Neighborhood Association as well as individual neighbors have complained of the use already occurring and changes being made to the site. There is also opposition to the use in general, as neighbors feel it is not in character with the surrounding neighborhood.

Staff received a copy of a letter from a non-profit to the applicant dated November 23, 2016. This letter states the intention to purchase the land to the north of the site from the state for use as an orchard and requests an easement to use the applicant's driveway for access.

#### 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 Cornerstone 2020; **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 Cornerstone 2020 which have substantially altered the basic character of the area.

# STAFF ANALYSIS FOR REZONING

Following is staff's analysis of the proposed rezoning against the Guidelines and Policies of Cornerstone 2020.

#### The site is located in the Traditional Neighborhood Form District

The Traditional Neighborhood Form District is characterized by predominantly residential uses, by a grid pattern of streets with sidewalks and often including alleys. Residential lots are predominantly narrow and often deep, but the neighborhood may contain sections of larger estate lots, and also sections of lots on which appropriately integrated higher density residential uses may be located. The higher density uses are encouraged to be located in centers or near parks and open spaces having sufficient carrying capacity. There is usually a significant range of housing opportunities, including multi-family dwellings.

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Traditional neighborhoods often have and are encouraged to have a significant proportion of public open space such as parks or greenways, and may contain civic uses as well as appropriately located and integrated neighborhood centers with a mixture of mostly neighborhood-serving land uses such as offices, shops, restaurants and services. Although many existing traditional neighborhoods are fifty to one hundred twenty years old, it is hoped that the Traditional Neighborhood Form will be revitalized under the new Comprehensive Plan. Revitalization and reinforcement of the Traditional Neighborhood Form will require particular emphasis on (a) preservation and renovation of existing buildings in stable neighborhoods (if the building design is consistent with the predominant building design in those neighborhoods), (b) the preservation of the existing grid pattern of streets and alleys, (c) preservation of public open spaces.

This proposal is re-using an existing single family structure for mixed-use in a stable neighborhood with an existing grid pattern of streets and sidewalks. The home, which is consistent with the surrounding area's predominant building design, was built in 1925 and is being preserved with a first-floor office use and apartment above. Existing streets and sidewalks will be unaffected by this request and will aide in connections from this use to nearby non-residential and residential uses.

**STANDARD OF REVIEW AND STAFF ANALYSIS FOR VARIANCE** from Section 5.2.2 to reduce the 3' side yard setback to 0' along the northern property line.

- (a) The requested variance will not adversely affect the public health, safety or welfare.
  - STAFF: The variance will not adversely affect the public health, safety or welfare as the properties to the north of the site are vacant and owned by the state.
- (b) The requested variance will not alter the essential character of the general vicinity.
  - STAFF: The requested variance will not alter the essential character of the general vicinity as the only encroachment is the vehicle use area at on the rear half of the site and does not significantly change the view of the site from the public right-of-way.
- (c) The requested variance will not cause a hazard or nuisance to the public.
  - STAFF: The requested variance will not cause a hazard or nuisance to the public as the encroachment is along a property line shared with a vacant property owned by the state.
- (d) The requested variance will not allow an unreasonable circumvention of the zoning regulations.
  - STAFF: The requested variance will not allow an unreasonable circumvention of the zoning regulations as the vehicle use area is encroaching into the setback in order to meet the parking stall width requirement.

#### ADDITIONAL CONSIDERATIONS

- 1. The requested variance arises from special circumstances which do not generally apply to land in the general vicinity or the same zone.
  - STAFF: The requested variance does not arise from any special circumstances. The applicant is expanding into the required side yard setback with the proposed vehicle use area.
- 2. The strict application of the provisions of the regulation would deprive the applicant of the reasonable use of the land or create an unnecessary hardship on the applicant.
  - STAFF: The strict application of the provisions of the regulation would create an unnecessary hardship on the applicant as the additional parking is needed on site to accommodate the use.

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3. The circumstances are the result of actions of the applicant taken subsequent to the adoption of the zoning regulation from which relief is sought.

STAFF: The circumstances are the result of actions of the applicant taken subsequent to the adoption of the zoning regulation from which relief is sought, as the setback regulations have been in place prior to the re-zoning request.

**STANDARD OF REVIEW AND STAFF ANALYSIS FOR WAIVER** of Section 10.2.10 to eliminate the required 5' VUA LBA along the northern property line shared with a residential zone.

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

STAFF: The waiver will not adversely affect adjacent property owners as the properties to the north are vacant and state owned and therefore not likely to be developed for single family residential use.

(b) The waiver will not violate specific guidelines of Cornerstone 2020; and

STAFF: The waiver will not violate guideline 3, Compatibility, of Cornerstone 2020, which calls for the protection of roadway corridors and public areas from visual intrusions, for mitigation of parking areas so as not to negatively impact nearby residents and pedestrians, and for parking areas adjacent to streets to be screened and buffered. The waiver will not violate guideline 13, Landscape Character, which calls for the protection of roadways through standards for buffers, landscape treatment, lighting and signs. These guidelines are not violated as the applicant has agreed to provide a privacy fence along this property line in order to improving the view of the property from the right of way for pedestrians and vehicles traveling south on S. 3<sup>rd</sup> Street.

(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 this is a constrained site with few options for parking. The driveway is encroaching into the buffer in order to provide needed parking.

(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: The strict application of the provisions of the regulation would deprive the applicant of the reasonable use of the land and would create an unnecessary hardship on the applicant as the needed parking could not be provided while also providing the buffer.

**STANDARD OF REVIEW AND STAFF ANALYSIS FOR WAIVER** of Section 10.2.4 to allow the existing structure and parking to encroach into the 10' LBA along the southern and northern property lines and to not provide plantings along the northern property line.

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

STAFF: The waiver will not adversely affect adjacent property owners as the home is existing and only encroaches on a portion of the buffer. The property to the north is vacant and owned by the state, therefore unlikely to ever be developed for single family residential use.

(b) The waiver will not violate specific guidelines of Cornerstone 2020; and

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STAFF: The waiver will not violate guideline 3, Compatibility, of Cornerstone 2020, which calls for the protection of roadway corridors and public areas from visual intrusions, for mitigation of parking areas so as not to negatively impact nearby residents and pedestrians, and for parking areas adjacent to streets to be screened and buffered. The waiver will not violate guideline 13, Landscape Character, which calls for the protection of roadways through standards for buffers, landscape treatment, lighting and signs. These guidelines are not violated as the applicant has agreed to provide a privacy fence around the rear of the property, screening the parking from adjacent property owners and also improving the view of the property from the right of way for pedestrians and vehicles traveling south on S. 3<sup>rd</sup> Street. Plantings will also be provided as required along the eastern and southern property lines.

(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 home is existing and the vehicle use area encroachment is necessary in order to provide much needed on site parking.

(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: The strict application of the provisions of the regulation would deprive the applicant of the reasonable use of the land and would create an unnecessary hardship on the applicant as providing the full 10' LBA would require the demolition of the existing structure along the southern property line and a much needed parking stall would have to be removed.

# 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: LOJIC has not identified any natural resources on site and the applicant will be making no changes to the site to affect tree canopy, soils or any other natural resource.

b. <u>The provisions for safe and efficient vehicular and pedestrian transportation both within the development and the community;</u>

STAFF: Provisions for safe and efficient vehicular and pedestrian transportation within and around the development and the community have been provided through the existing street network and sidewalks.

c. <u>The provision of sufficient open space (scenic and recreational) to meet the needs of the proposed development;</u>

STAFF: This development does not require open space, as it does not meet the threshold for open space or outdoor amenity 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;

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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.

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, as the character of the existing structure will remain relatively the same. The proposed parking will be screened from adjacent properties.

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: This development generally conforms to the Comprehensive Plan and Land Development Code with the waivers and variance appearing to be justified. The site plan appears to meet the intent of the regulations.

## **REQUIRED ACTIONS**

- RECOMMEND APPROVAL or DENIAL to Metro Council for the Change in Zoning from R-5 to O-R on 0.18 acres
- APPROVE or DENY the Variance from Section 5.2.2 to reduce the 3' side yard setback to 0' along the northern property line shared with a residential zone
- APPROVE or DENY the Waiver from Section 10.2.10 to eliminate the required 5' VUA LBA along the northern property line
- APPROVE or DENY the Waiver from Section 10.2.4 to allow the existing structure and parking to encroach into the 10' LBA along the southern and northern property lines and to not provide plantings along the northern property line.
- APPROVE or DENY the Detailed District Development Plan with Binding Elements

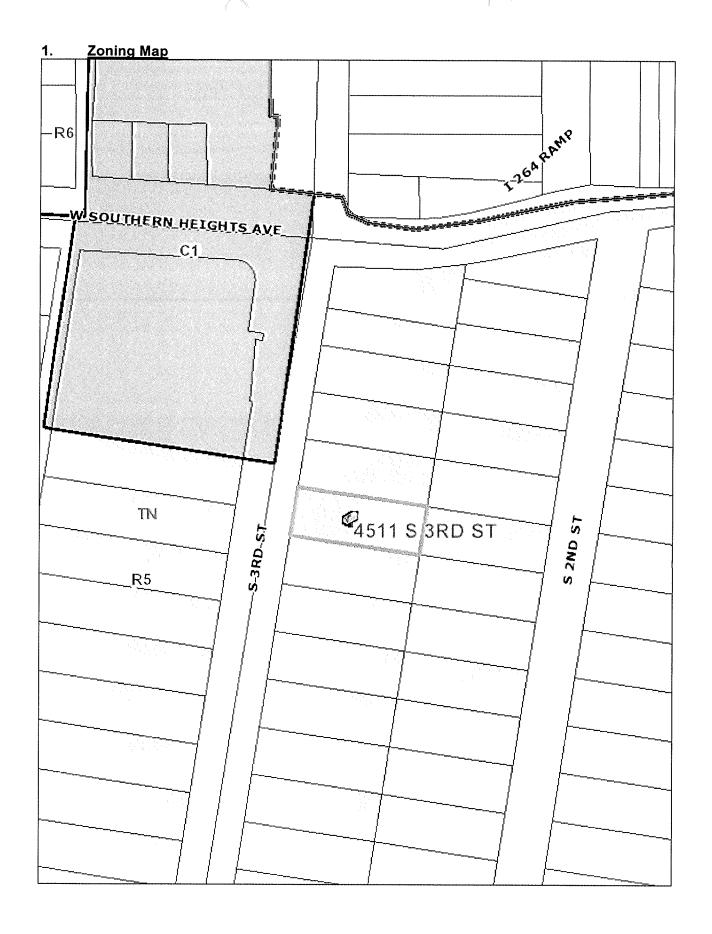
## **NOTIFICATION**

Date	Purpose of Notice	Recipients
1/10/2018	Hearing before LD&T	1 <sup>st</sup> and 2 <sup>nd</sup> tier adjoining property owners
		Subscribers of Council District 21 Notification of Development Proposals
2/12/18	Hearing before PC	1 <sup>st</sup> and 2 <sup>nd</sup> tier adjoining property owners
		Subscribers of Council District 21 Notification of Development Proposals
2/15/18	Hearing before PC	Sign Posting on property
2/16/18	Hearing before PC	Legal Advertisement in the Courier-Journal

## **ATTACHMENTS**

- 1. Zoning Map
- 2. Aerial Photograph
- 3. Proposed Binding Elements
- 4. Cornerstone 2020 Checklist

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Aerial Photograph 2. 1264 RAMP W SOUTHERN HEIGHTS AVE 4.511 S 3RD ST S 2ND SIT

## 3. 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.
- 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 Develop Louisville, 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.
- 5. 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.
- 6. 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.
- 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.

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- 3. Cornerstone 2020 Staff Checklist
- + Exceeds Guideline
- ✓ Meets Guideline
- Does Not Meet Guideline
- +/- More Information Needed
- NA Not Applicable

# Traditional Neighborhood: Non-Residential

#	Cornerstone 2020 Plan Element	Plan Element or Portion of Plan Element	Staff Finding	Staff Comments
1	Community Form/Land Use Guideline 1: Community Form	B.2: The proposal preserves the existing grid pattern of streets, sidewalks and alleys.	<b>✓</b>	There are no proposed changes to the existing street pattern.
2	Community Form/Land Use Guideline 1: Community Form	B.2: The proposal introduces an appropriately-located neighborhood center including a mix of neighborhood-serving uses such as offices, shops and restaurants.	<b>✓</b>	This proposal is not a center but is introducing an office use in a predominantly residential area with pockets of commercial uses.
3	Community Form/Land Use Guideline 1: Community Form	B.2: The proposal preserves public open spaces, and if the proposal is a higher density use, is located in close proximity to such open space, a center or other public areas.	<b>✓</b>	The Beechmont Community Center is about three blocks from the site.
4	Community Form/Land Use Guideline 1: Community Form	B.2: The proposal preserves and renovates existing buildings if the building design of these structures is consistent with the predominate neighborhood building design.	<b>✓</b>	The proposal is re-using an existing home and making no design changes that would threaten the design's consistency with the neighborhood.
5	Community Form/Land Use Guideline 2: Centers	A.1/7: The proposal, which will create a new center, is located in the Traditional Neighborhood Form District, and includes new construction or the reuse of existing buildings to provide commercial, office and/or residential use.	<b>✓</b>	The proposal is not creating a new center but is reusing an existing structure to provide residential above office.
6	Community Form/Land Use Guideline 2: Centers	A.3: The proposed retail commercial development is located in an area that has a sufficient population to support it.	<b>√</b>	The proposal is not a retail center but the surrounding neighborhood is stable with a sufficient population.
7	Community Form/Land Use Guideline 2: Centers	A.4: The proposed development is compact and results in an efficient land use pattern and cost-effective infrastructure investment.	<b>√</b>	By re-using the existing building, the proposal is an efficient use of the land.
8	Community Form/Land Use Guideline 2: Centers	A.5: The proposed center includes a mix of compatible land uses that will reduce trips, support the use of alternative forms of transportation and encourage vitality and sense of place.	<b>√</b>	The proposal is not a center but includes a residential and office use, in a connected urban neighborhood.

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9	Community Form/Land Use Guideline 2: Centers	A.6: The proposal incorporates residential and office uses above retail and/or includes other mixed-use, multi-story retail buildings.	<b>✓</b>	The proposal is for a first floor office with residential above.
10	Community Form/Land Use Guideline 2: Centers	A.12: If the proposal is a large development in a center, it is designed to be compact and multi-purpose, and is oriented around a central feature such as a public square or plaza or landscape element.	NA	The proposal is not a large development in a center.
11	Community Form/Land Use Guideline 2: Centers	A.13/15: The proposal shares entrance and parking facilities with adjacent uses to reduce curb cuts and surface parking, and locates parking to balance safety, traffic, transit, pedestrian, environmental and aesthetic concerns.	<b>✓</b>	The proposal has its own driveway, but sharing entrances and parking is not appropriate within this context, as it is surrounded by single family homes.
12	Community Form/Land Use Guideline 2: Centers	A.14: The proposal is designed to share utility hookups and service entrances with adjacent developments, and utility lines are placed underground in common easements.	✓	All utilities are existing.
13	Community Form/Land Use Guideline 2: Centers	A.16: The proposal is designed to support easy access by bicycle, car and transit and by pedestrians and persons with disabilities.	<b>✓</b>	There is a bus stop just north of the proposal and a well-established sidewalk network in the neighborhood. The proximity to S 3 <sup>rd</sup> Street makes this development easily accessible by pedestrians, bicyclists and transit users.
14	Community Form/Land Use Guideline 3: Compatibility	A.2: The proposed building materials increase the new development's compatibility.	<b>✓</b>	The building materials will remain the same.
15	Community Form/Land Use Guideline 3: Compatibility	A.4/5/6/7: The proposal does not constitute a non-residential expansion into an existing residential area, or demonstrates that despite such an expansion, impacts on existing residences (including traffic, parking, signs, lighting, noise, odor and stormwater) are appropriately mitigated.	<b>√</b>	The lower intensity of this office use and the proximity to I-264 and nearby commercial pockets mitigates for the expansion into a residential neighborhood.
16	Community Form/Land Use Guideline 3: Compatibility	A.5: The proposal mitigates any potential odor or emissions associated with the development.	<b>✓</b>	This proposal does not appear to be a cause of increased odor or emissions.
17	Community Form/Land Use Guideline 3: Compatibility	A.6: The proposal mitigates any adverse impacts of its associated traffic on nearby existing communities.	✓	This proposal does not constitute a significant increase in traffic.
18	Community Form/Land Use Guideline 3: Compatibility	A.8: The proposal mitigates adverse impacts of its lighting on nearby properties, and on the night sky.	✓	No additional lighting will be added.

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19	Community Form/Land Use Guideline 3: Compatibility	A.11: If the proposal is a higher density or intensity use, it is located along a transit corridor AND in or near an activity center.	~	This proposal is located on a transit corridor, a minor arterial.
20	Community Form/Land Use Guideline 3: Compatibility	A.21: The proposal provides appropriate transitions between uses that are substantially different in scale and intensity or density of development such as landscaped buffer yards, vegetative berms, compatible building design and materials, height restrictions, or setback requirements.	<b>✓</b>	The proposal does not meet all buffer requirements but has mitigated by providing plantings and privacy fencing for screening.
21	Community Form/Land Use Guideline 3: Compatibility	A.22: The proposal mitigates the impacts caused when incompatible developments unavoidably occur adjacent to one another by using buffers that are of varying designs such as landscaping, vegetative berms and/or walls, and that address those aspects of the development that have the potential to adversely impact existing area developments.	<b>✓</b>	Privacy fencing and plantings appear to mitigate for the office use location in a residential area.
22	Community Form/Land Use Guideline 3: Compatibility	A.23: Setbacks, lot dimensions and building heights are compatible with those of nearby developments that meet form district standards.	<b>✓</b>	The pavement for parking does require a variance but does not appear to impact the compatibility of the site with surrounding single family uses.
23	Community Form/Land Use Guideline 3: Compatibility	A.24: Parking, loading and delivery areas located adjacent to residential areas are designed to minimize adverse impacts of lighting, noise and other potential impacts, and that these areas are located to avoid negatively impacting motorists, residents and pedestrians.	<b>✓</b>	The applicant has agreed to provide a 6' privacy fence along the parking area at the rear of the site on the northern property line.
24	Community Form/Land Use Guideline 3: Compatibility	A.24: The proposal includes screening and buffering of parking and circulation areas adjacent to the street, and uses design features or landscaping to fill gaps created by surface parking lots. Parking areas and garage doors are oriented to the side or back of buildings rather than to the street.	<b>√</b>	The parking will be located in the rear and side of the office, away from the single family use to the south.
25	Community Form/Land Use Guideline 3: Compatibility	A.25: Parking garages are integrated into their surroundings and provide an active, inviting street-level appearance.	NA	There is no parking garage proposed.
26	Community Form/Land Use Guideline 3: Compatibility	A.28: Signs are compatible with the form district pattern and contribute to the visual quality of their surroundings.	<b>√</b>	Any proposed signage will comply with Form district standards.

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27	Community Form/Land Use Guideline 4: Open Space	A.2/3/7: The proposal provides open space that helps meet the needs of the community as a component of the development and provides for the continued maintenance of that open space.	NA	Open space is not required with this proposal.
28	Community Form/Land Use Guideline 4: Open Space	A.4: Open space design is consistent with the pattern of development in the Neighborhood Form District.	NA	Open space is not required with this proposal.
29	Community Form/Land Use Guideline 4: Open Space	A.5: The proposal integrates natural features into the pattern of development.	✓	All trees on site appear to be preserved.
30	Community Form/Land Use Guideline 5: Natural Areas and Scenic and Historic Resources	A.1: The proposal 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.	<b>✓</b>	All trees on site appear to be preserved.
31	Community Form/Land Use Guideline 5: Natural Areas and Scenic and Historic Resources	A.2/4: The proposal includes the preservation, use or adaptive reuse of buildings, sites, districts and landscapes that are recognized as having historical or architectural value, and, if located within the impact area of these resources, is compatible in height, bulk, scale, architecture and placement.	<b>✓</b>	The proposal is re-using an existing single family home and is proposing very few changes to the site.
32	Community Form/Land Use Guideline 5: Natural Areas and Scenic and Historic Resources	A.6: Encourage development to avoid wet or highly permeable soils, severe, steep or unstable slopes with the potential for severe erosion.	✓	LOJIC shows no hydric soil or steeps slopes.
33	Marketplace Guideline 6: Economic Growth and Sustainability	A.2: Ensure adequate access between employment centers and population centers.	<b>√</b>	This site is located in well-connected area with an established sidewalk network, nearby bus stop and an established street network.
34	Marketplace Guideline 6: Economic Growth and Sustainability	A.3: Encourage redevelopment, reinvestment and rehabilitation in the downtown where it is consistent with the form district pattern.	NA	This proposal is not located downtown.
35	Marketplace Guideline 6: Economic Growth and Sustainability	A.4: Encourage industries to locate in industrial subdivisions or adjacent to existing industry to take advantage of special infrastructure needs.	NA	This is not an industrial proposal.

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36	Marketplace Guideline 6: Economic Growth and Sustainability	A.6: Locate retail commercial development in activity centers. Locate uses generating large amounts of traffic on a major arterial, at the intersection of two minor arterials or at locations with good access to a major arterial and where the proposed use will not adversely affect adjacent areas.	✓	The proposal is not retail and it is not anticipated to generate large amounts of traffic.
37	Marketplace Guideline 6: Economic Growth and Sustainability	A.8: Require industrial development with more than 100 employees to locate on or near an arterial street, preferably in close proximity to an expressway interchange. Require industrial development with less than 100 employees to locate on or near an arterial street.	NA	This proposal is not industrial.
38	Mobility/Transportation Guideline 7: Circulation	A.1/2: The proposal will contribute its proportional share of the cost of roadway improvements and other services and public facilities made necessary by the development through physical improvements to these facilities, contribution of money, or other means.	<b>✓</b>	Transportation did not require any right of way improvement and pedestrian and vehicular facilities are adequate in this area.
39	Mobility/Transportation Guideline 7: Circulation	A.3/4: The proposal promotes mass transit, bicycle and pedestrian use and provides amenities to support these modes of transportation.	✓	The proposal includes the required bike facilities.
40	Mobility/Transportation Guideline 7: Circulation	A.6: The proposal's transportation facilities are compatible with and support access to surrounding land uses, and contribute to the appropriate development of adjacent lands. The proposal includes at least one continuous roadway through the development, adequate street stubs, and relies on cul-de-sacs only as short side streets or where natural features limit development of "through" roads.	<b>✓</b>	This site is located in well-connected area with an established sidewalk network, nearby bus stop and an established street network.
41	Mobility/Transportation Guideline 7: Circulation	A.9: The proposal includes the dedication of rights-of-way for street, transit corridors, bikeway and walkway facilities within or abutting the development.	<b>√</b>	As this site is existing within an established neighborhood with a fluid sidewalk network, this does not apply.
42	Mobility/Transportation Guideline 7: Circulation	A.10: The proposal includes adequate parking spaces to support the use.	✓	The proposal meets the parking requirements in the LDC.
43	Mobility/Transportation Guideline 7: Circulation	A.13/16: The proposal provides for joint and cross access through the development and to connect to adjacent development sites.	<b>√</b>	Joint/Crossover access is not appropriate in this case.

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44	Mobility/Transportation Guideline 8: Transportation Facility Design	A.8: Adequate stub streets are provided for future roadway connections that support and contribute to appropriate development of adjacent land.	<b>✓</b>	This site is located in an urban area with an existing grid network of streets.
45	Mobility/Transportation Guideline 8: Transportation Facility Design	A.9: Avoid access to development through areas of significantly lower intensity or density if such access would create a significant nuisance.	<b>√</b>	The proposal will be using the existing access from S. 3 <sup>rd</sup> Street Road, a minor arterial.
46	Mobility/Transportation Guideline 8: Transportation Facility Design	A.11: The development provides for an appropriate functional hierarchy of streets and appropriate linkages between activity areas in and adjacent to the development site.	<b>✓</b>	The existing street network will be unaffected.
47	Mobility/Transportation Guideline 9: Bicycle, Pedestrian and Transit	A.1/2: The proposal provides, where appropriate, for the movement of pedestrians, bicyclists and transit users around and through the development, provides bicycle and pedestrian connections to adjacent developments and to transit stops, and is appropriately located for its density and intensity.	<b>√</b>	This site is located in well-connected area with an established sidewalk network, nearby bus stop and an established street network.
48	Livability/Environment Guideline 10: Flooding and Stormwater	The proposal's drainage plans have been approved by MSD, and the proposal mitigates negative impacts to the floodplain and minimizes impervious area. Solid blueline streams are protected through a vegetative buffer, and drainage designs are capable of accommodating upstream runoff assuming a fully-developed watershed. If streambank restoration or preservation is necessary, the proposal uses best management practices.	✓	MSD has given preliminary approvals.
49	Livability/Environment Guideline 12: Air Quality	The proposal has been reviewed by APCD and found to not have a negative impact on air quality.	<b>✓</b>	APCD has reviewed the proposal and has no issues.
50	Livability/Environment Guideline 13: Landscape Character	A.3: The proposal includes additions and connections to a system of natural corridors that can provide habitat areas and allow for migration.	<b>✓</b>	This proposal is within a developed urban area.
51	Community Facilities Guideline 14: Infrastructure	A.2: The proposal is located in an area served by existing utilities or planned for utilities.	✓	The existing utilities will be used.
52	Community Facilities Guideline 14: Infrastructure	A.3: The proposal has access to an adequate supply of potable water and water for fire-fighting purposes.	<b>✓</b>	The existing water lines will be used.

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53	Community Facilities Guideline 14: Infrastructure	A.4: The proposal has adequate means of sewage treatment and disposal to protect public health and to protect water quality in lakes and streams.	<b>✓</b>	The existing sewer facilities will be used.

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