# **Development Review Committee**

# Staff Report

November 17, 2021



Case No: 21-DDP-0093/21-WAIVER-0138/21-WAIVER-

0139

**Project Name:** Bosse Construction Office

Location: 11101 Plantside Dr
Owner(s): Bosse Construction Inc
Applicant: Bosse Construction Inc

Jurisdiction: Jeffersontown

Council District: 11 – Kevin Kramer

Case Manager: Jay Luckett, AICP, Planner II

#### REQUEST(S)

- Waiver 1 (21-WAIVER-0138) of Land Development Code (Jeffersontown) section 10.2.4.B.3 to allow a required Vehicle Use Area Landscape Buffer Area to overlap a utility easement by 100 percent.
- Waiver 2 (21-WAIVER-0139) of Land Development Code (Jeffersontown) section 5.9.2.A.1 to not have an entry door, facing Plantside Dr
- Detailed District Development plan with binding elements

#### CASE SUMMARY/BACKGROUND

The applicant is proposing to construct a 12,400 SF office and warehouse building on approximately 1.27 acres. The site is zoned PEC in the Suburban Workplace form district. The site is in the Holloway Industrial Park development within the City of Jeffersontown.

#### **STAFF FINDING**

The requests are adequately justified and meet the standards of review. The development is consistent with other similar development in the area. All required planting and screening will be provided on the subject site.

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#### **TECHNICAL REVIEW**

There are no outstanding technical issues concerning this request.

#### **INTERESTED PARTY COMMENTS**

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

#### STANDARD OF REVIEW AND STAFF ANALYSIS FOR WAIVER 1

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

STAFF: The waiver will not adversely affect adjacent property owners, as the applicant will still provide all required planting and screening around the subject site.

(b) The waiver will not violate specific guidelines of the Comprehensive Plan; and

STAFF: The waiver will not violate the Comprehensive Plan, as all required planting and screening will be provided around the site. The development will be in keeping with the pattern of the area, and allows for further development within an established industrial center.

(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 all planting and screening will be provided on the subject site.

#### (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 create an unnecessary hardship on the applicant, as the utility easement is an existing condition and all necessary screening and planting can still be provided in the required buffer area.

#### STANDARD OF REVIEW AND STAFF ANALYSIS FOR WAIVER 2

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

STAFF: The waiver will not adversely affect adjacent property owners, as the proposed building design is consistent with other existing light industrial buildings in the general vicinity.

(b) The waiver will not violate specific guidelines of the Comprehensive Plan; and

STAFF: Community form goal 2, policy 1 states that we should locate activity centers in appropriate areas in all Form Districts. Design and density should be compatible with desired form, adjacent uses, and existing and planned infrastructure. Economic development goal 1, policy 1 states that we should limit land uses in workplace Form Districts to compatible uses that meet the needs of the industrial subdivision or workplace district and their employees. The proposed development allows for a continuation of compatible land uses within an existing industrial park, and the building design is generally consistent with other existing structures within the development.

(c) The extent of the waiver of the regulation is the minimum necessary to afford relief to the applicant; and

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STAFF: The extent of the waiver of the regulation is the minimum necessary to afford relief to the applicant, as all other requirements of the Land Development Code will be met.

#### (d) <u>Either:</u>

- (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 create an unnecessary hardship on the applicant, as the primary entrance will face the parking lot still provide direct pedestrian access to the adjacent right-of-way.

# STANDARD OF REVIEW AND STAFF ANALYSIS FOR (R)DDDP and/or 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.
- (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 nonresidential 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**

- RECOMMEND that the City of Jeffersontown APPROVE or DENY the Waivers
- RECOMMEND that the City of Jeffersontown APPROVE or DENY the Detailed District Development Plan with Binding Elements.

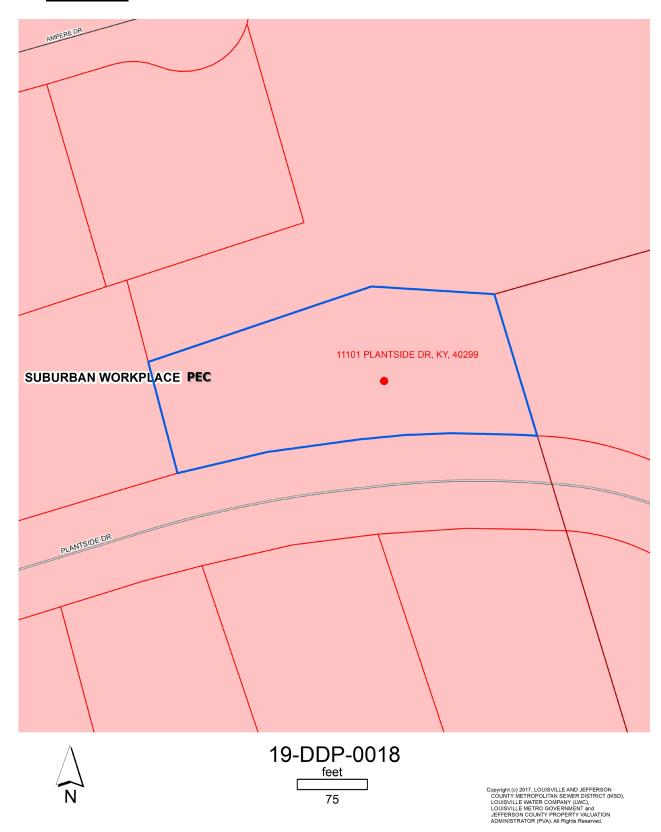
#### **NOTIFICATION**

Date	Purpose of Notice	Recipients
11-1-21	_	1 <sup>st</sup> tier adjoining property owners Speakers at Planning Commission public hearing Registered Neighborhood Groups in Council District 11

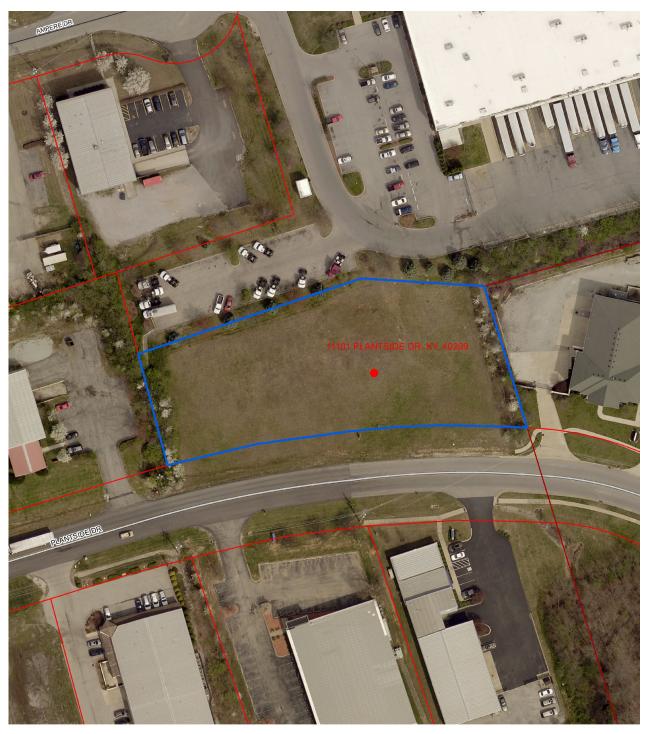
#### **ATTACHMENTS**

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

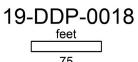
## 1. Zoning Map



### 2. Aerial Photograph







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#### 3. Proposed Binding Elements

- 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 and to the city of Jeffersontown for review and approval; any changes/additions/alterations not so referred shall not be valid.
- 2. The size and location of any proposed freestanding sign must be in compliance with the City of Jeffersontown Sign Ordinance.
- 3. Any area proposed to be used for outdoor sales, display or storage in accordance with Section 4.4.8 shall be accurately delineated on the development plan.
- 4. Outdoor lighting (for parking lot illumination and security) shall meet the requirements of Section 4.1.3 of the Land Development Code.
- 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 or alteration permit) is requested:
  - a. The development plan must receive full construction approval from the City of Jeffersontown (10416 Watterson Trail) and the Metropolitan Sewer District (700 West Liberty).
  - b. Final elevations/renderings shall be submitted for review and approval by Planning Commission staff. A copy of the approved rendering shall be available in the case file on record in the offices of the Louisville Metro Planning Commission.
- 7. Prior to a Certificate of Occupancy being requested the property owner/developer must obtain approval of a detailed plan for screening (buffering/landscaping) as described in Chapter 10. 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 two years 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 and the City of Jeffersontown.
- 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 and City of Jeffersontown.
- 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. There 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.

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11.	All off-street parking areas shall be permanently and continually maintained in good condition and free from potholes, weeds, dirt, trash and other debris.		