Charlotte-Mecklenburg Planning Commission

Zoning Committee Recommendation

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Rezoning Petition 2021-127

January 4, 2022

Zoning Committee

REQUEST Current Zoning: R-3 (Single Family Residential)

Proposed Zoning: O-1 (CD) (Office, Conditional)

LOCATION Approximately 5.2 acres located on Steele Creek Road between

Huntington Meadow Lane and Settlers Trail Court.

(Council District 3 - Watlington)

PETITIONER Flagship Healthcare Properties, LLC

ZONING COMMITTEE ACTION/ STATEMENT OF CONSISTENCY

The Zoning Committee voted 7-0 to recommend APPROVAL of this petition and adopt the consistency statement as follows:

This petition is found to be inconsistent with the *Steele Creek Area Plan* (2012) based on the information from the staff analysis and the public hearing, and because:

 The plan recommends residential land use at up to 4 dwelling units per acre.

However, we find this petition to be reasonable and in the public interest, based on the information from the staff analysis and the public hearing, and because:

- While inconsistent with the low-density residential development recommended for the site, the proposed office use is compatible with the surrounding development pattern along Steele Creek Road which includes institutional and office uses.
- The parcels are less compatible to be developed for lowdensity residential considering their frontage on Steele Creek Road, which is proposed to be widened to a fourlane thoroughfare by NCDOT.
- The site is separated from the single family residential neighborhood to the east by a 50-foot water quality buffer along a tributary of Walker Branch Creek. The petitioner has committed to dedicating or conveying an easement of the SWIM buffers onsite to Mecklenburg County for future greenway use.

The approval of this petition will revise the adopted future land use as specified by the *Steele Creek Area Plan*, from residential at up to 4 dwelling units per acre to office land use for the site.

Motion/Second: Blumenthal / Welton

Yeas: Blumenthal, Chirinos, Ham, Rhodes, Samuel,

Spencer and Welton

Nays: None Absent: None Recused: None

ZONING COMMITTEE DISCUSSION

Staff provided a summary of the petition and noted that it is

inconsistent with the adopted area plan.

Committee member Chirinos inquired whether there were any changes to the plan based on the opposition speaker's comments at the public hearing. Staff replied that no changes were made in

response to the speaker's comments.

There was no further discussion of this petition.

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