OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS

BOARD OF DIRECTORS COMMUNICATION APRIL 16, 2019 AGENDA

Subject:	Action Required:	Approved By:
An ordinance establishing a Planned Zoning District titled Morgan Addition Lot 2 Short-Form POD, located at the northwest corner of Highway 10 and Morgan Cemetery Road. (Z-7948-D)	√ Ordinance Resolution	
Submitted By:		
Planning & Development Department		Bruce T. Moore City Manager
SYNOPSIS	The applicant is requesting approval of a POD, Planned Office Development, to allow for the development of a one (1)-story, 3,600 square-foot office building. The property is located outside of the City Limits, in the Extraterritorial Zoning Jurisdiction.	
FISCAL IMPACT	None.	
RECOMMENDATION	Staff recommends approval of the requested POD. The Planning Commission voted 10 ayes, 0 nays, and 1 absent to recommend approval of the request.	
BACKGROUND	The applicant is requesting approval of a POD, Planned Office Development, to allow for the development of this vacant 2.2-acre lot. The lot is part of a two (2)-lot subdivision that was preliminary-platted in November 2005. The lot adjacent to the west (Lot 1) has been final-platted; however, this lot has not yet been final-platted.	

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The proposed development is to consist of a one (1)-story, 3,600 square-foot office building. The applicant indicates the building will be divided into two (2) equal-sized suites with office space in the front and garage space at the rear. A fifteen (15) space parking lot is proposed to be located behind the building with access off of Morgan Cemetery Road. The approved plat included a shared driveway off of Highway 10. For this lot to use the shared driveway would require bridging a drainage way so the applicant chose to use the side street for access.

The proposed building will have a height of 22'8" to the roof ridge. The building setbacks exceed the minimum under the Highway 10 Design Overlay District (DOD). The perimeter landscape areas also exceed the minimums of the DOD. Signage will consist of wall signage on the south and east facades of the building and a single ground-mounted sign not to exceed eight (8) feet in height and sixty-four (64) squarefeet in area. A small dumpster is proposed to be located behind the building. It will be screened to comply with code. The days and hours of operation are proposed as 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM, six (6) days a week. Each business suite is anticipated to have three (3) – four (4) employees. Lighting will consist of wall packs on the building and low-level directional pole lighting in the parking lot. No fencing is proposed.

The applicant has indicated right-of-way dedication as required by the Master Street Plan. Health Department approval for a septic system will be provided.

The site is wooded and the applicant indicates preserving much of the natural vegetation on the west, south and north perimeters. A fifty (50)-foot undisturbed buffer is being provided on the north perimeter.

The Planning Commission approved a variance from the Boundary Street Ordinance for Morgan Cemetery Road. The applicant will widen and repave the road to twenty (20) feet in width from Highway 10 to the north perimeter of the property. The proposed development complies with the standards of the Highway 10 DOD.

The Planning Commission reviewed this item at its March 14, 2019, meeting and there were no objectors present. Notice had been sent to all owners of properties located within 200 feet of the site and the Duquesne

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Place and Citizens of West Pulaski County Neighborhood Associations. There is no contact registered with the City for the Bronte Court or West Little Rock Neighborhood Associations. Please see the Planning Commission agenda write-up and minutes for the full Staff Analysis.