Public Hearing: YES NO Department: Planning & Sustainability

SUBJECT:

COMMISSION DISTRICT(S): 5 & 7

Application of Joseph Cooley, Esq. to amend the Future Land Use Plan from Suburban (SUB) to Light Industrial (LIND) to allow for future light industrial and/or commercial uses, at 2346 Pine Mountain Street.

PETITION NO: N6. LP-21-1244580 2021-2113

PROPOSED USE: Future light industrial and/or commercial uses.

LOCATION: 2346 Pine Mountain Street, Lithonia, Ga.

PARCEL NO. : 16-168-01-008 INFO. CONTACT: Brian Brewer, Sr. Planner

PHONE NUMBER: 404-371-2155

PURPOSE:

Application of Joseph Cooley, Esq. to amend the Future Land Use Plan from Suburban (SUB) to Light Industrial (LIND). The property is located on the east side of Pine Mountain Street, approximately 20 feet north of Pine Mountain Road, at 2346 Pine Mountain Street, Lithonia. The property has approximately 78 feet of frontage on Pine Mountain Street and contains 1.2 acres.

<u>RECOMMENDATION:</u> COMMUNITY COUNCIL: Denial.

PLANNING COMMISSION: Denial.

PLANNING STAFF: Approval.

STAFF ANALYSIS: The intent of the Light Industrial Character Area is to identify areas appropriate for industrial type uses. The location of these areas shall preserve the appeal and appearance of residential and commercial areas from the prospective intrusion of light industrial land uses. These areas consist of areas used in low intensity manufacturing, including wholesale trade, and distribution activities that do not generate excessive noise, vibration, air pollution or other nuisance characteristics. The Light Industrial Character Area Policies are as follows: (1) Infrastructure - Provide appropriate infrastructure support for industrial development in designated industrial areas (2) Buffer - Protect surrounding areas from the negative impacts of noise and light pollutants (3) Residential Protection - Prohibit the encroachment of industrial uses into established residential areas (4) Environmental Compatibility - Direct development to industrial districts located in areas with compatible soils drainage and other environmental characteristics (5) Zoning Compatibility - Protect existing and zoned undeveloped industrial land from unnecessary intrusion by conflicting land uses (6) Re-zoning - Minimize the rezoning of light industrial properties to residential uses (7) Future Designations - Designate specific areas through the use of zoning and other land use tools for industrial development (8) Retrofit - Develop or, where possible, retrofit property planned industrial parks with adequate water, sewer, storm water, and transportation infrastructure for all component uses at build-out (9) Location of Centers - Locate industrial centers in areas with good access to highways (10) Landscaping - Incorporate landscaping and site design to soften or shield views of buildings and parking lots, loading docks, etc. (11) Regulations Compatibility - Create and implement zoning and development regulations for industrial uses (12) Truck Routes - Designate truck routes to reduce noise, pollutants and traffic congestion in residential areas (13) Access Management - Provide access controls and management standards in compliance with the DeKalb County Transportation Plan (14) Adaptable Reuse - Convert obsolete and empty industrial buildings into multifamily and/or live-work establishments. The current future land use of

Suburban is incompatible with surrounding uses. The property's current zoning is Residential Estate (RE). A large lot, single-family residential designation. It is staff's opinion that it is unlikely that this parcel will be developed for the purpose of housing in the future. In fact, the parcel is owned by the same owner as an abutting parcel currently being used for commercial vehicle parking. The application to amend the Future Land Plan Map to Light Industrial would make the parcel consistent with Light Industrial Character Area policies and surrounding uses. For these reasons, Staff recommends "<u>Approval</u>".

PLANNING COMMISSION VOTE: Denial 9-0-0. G. McCoy moved, P. Womack, Jr. seconded for Denial.

COMMUNITY COUNCIL VOTE/RECOMMENDATION: Denial 8-0-0. There was strong opposition from the community.



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Planning Commission Hearing Date: March 02, 2021, 5:30 P.M. Board of Commissioners Hearing Date: March 25, 2021, 5:30 P.M.

STAFF ANALYSIS

| Case No.: Location/Address: Parcel IDs: Request: Property Owner(s): Applicant/Agent: Acreage: Existing Land Use: Proposed Land Use: Surrounding Properties: Adjacent Zoning: (Adjacent Land Use): Comprehensive Plan: | LP-21-1244580 2346 Pine Mountain St, Lithonia, GA 16 168 01 008 Future Land Use Plan Map Amendm Mh Lithonia Holdings, LLC Joe Cooley, Esq. 1.2 Acres Suburban (SUB) Light Industrial (LIND) North: M (LIND) South: M/RE (SUB/ Northeast: M (LIND) Northwest: M | . 30058 ent ′LIND) East: M (| (LIND) Wes st: RE (SUE | n District:5 Super District:7 t: M/RE (LIND/SUB) |
|---|--|---|---------------------------|---|
| Proposed Density: N/ | A N/A units/acre | Existing Densit | : y: N/A | |
| Proposed Units/Squar | re Ft.: N/A units | Existing Units/ | Square Fee | et: N/A |

Proposed Lot Coverage: N/A

Existing Lot Coverage: N/A

Companion Application:

The applicant has filed a companion application (Z-21-1244581) to amend the Zoning of the parcel from Residential Estate (RE) to Industrial (M).

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: APPROVAL

The intent of the Light Industrial Character Area is to identify areas appropriate for industrial type uses. The location of these areas shall preserve the appeal and appearance of residential and commercial areas from the prospective intrusion of light industrial land uses. These areas consist of areas used in low intensity manufacturing, including wholesale trade, and distribution activities that do not generate excessive noise, vibration, air pollution or other nuisance characteristics.

The Light Industrial Character Area Policies are as follows:

- 1. Infrastructure Provide appropriate infrastructure support for industrial development in designated industrial areas
- 2. Buffer Protect surrounding areas from the negative impacts of noise and light pollutants
- 3. Residential Protection Prohibit the encroachment of industrial uses into established residential areas
- 4. Environmental Compatibility Direct development to industrial districts located in areas with compatible soils drainage and other environmental characteristics
- 5. Zoning Compatibility Protect existing and zoned undeveloped industrial land from unnecessary intrusion by conflicting land uses
- 6. Re-zoning Minimize the rezoning of light industrial properties to residential uses
- 7. Future Designations Designate specific areas through the use of zoning and other land use tools for industrial development
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- 14. Adaptable Reuse Convert obsolete and empty industrial buildings into multifamily and/or live-work establishments.

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Attachments:

- 1. Department and Division Comments
- 2. Application
- 3. Supplemental Analysis
- 4. Site Plan
- 5. Zoning Map
- 6. Land Use Plan Map
- 7. Aerial Photograph



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| Case No. LP-21- 1244580 Project Name: Joe Cooley, Esq. Light Industrial Intent | Existing FLU: Suburban (SUB) Proposed FLU: Light Industrial (LIND) - The intent of the Light Industrial Cha | Staff Recommendation Approval aracter Area is to identify areas appr | opriate for industrial type uses. The | | | | |
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| Light Industrial | | ure Land Use Map for Light Indus | | | | | |
| Primary Uses • Light Industrial Uses • Manufacturing • Warehouse / Distribution • Wholesale / Trade • Automotive • Accessory Commercial • Educational | Kalload St 154 | Stone crest | Turner Hitt Red | | | | |
| Commercial • Community Facilities | Pressuren St Pressuren St Pr | A Sea | BUB 168 1 Lithonia INS | | | | |
| | LP-21-12444580 Land USE LD-21-1244580 Land USE LD-21-5 LOSS 003 015 015 015 015 015 015 015 015 015 015 | | | | | | |
| Project Description | Address: 2346 Pine Mountain S Owner / Project Name: Mh Lith | | | | | | |
| | Use | Square Feet (% of total dev) | Units (if applicable) | | | | |
| | Residential | N/A | N/A | | | | |
| | Commercial | N/A | N/A | | | | |
| | Office | N/A | N/A | | | | |
| | Retail Entertainment | N/A N/A | N/A N/A | | | | |
| | Other | N/A | N/A N/A | | | | |

Total N/A

N/A



DeKalb County Long Range Planning Division Supplemental Land Use Report (for developments in Light Industrial)

| Light Industrial Character Area Policies | Support to Staff Recommendation | | | Justification |
|--|------------------------------------|----|-------------|---------------|
| | | NO | N/A | |
| 1. Infrastructure - Provide appropriate | | | | |
| infrastructure support for industrial development | | | \boxtimes | |
| in designated industrial areas. | | | | |
| 2. Buffer – Protect surrounding areas from the | | | \boxtimes | |
| negative impacts of noise and light pollutants. 3. Residential Protection - Prohibit the | | | | |
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| with compatible soils drainage and other | \boxtimes | | | |
| environmental characteristics. | | | | |
| 5. Zoning Compatibility - Protect existing and | | | | |
| zoned undeveloped industrial land from | \boxtimes | | | |
| unnecessary intrusion by conflicting land uses. | | | | |
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| through the use of zoning and other land use tools for industrial development. | \boxtimes | | | |
| 8. Retrofit - Develop or, where possible, retrofit | | | | |
| property planned industrial parks with adequate | | | | |
| water, sewer, storm-water, and transportation | | | \boxtimes | |
| infrastructure for all component uses at build-out. | | | | |
| 9. Location of Centers - Locate industrial centers in | | | | |
| areas with good access to highways. | \boxtimes | | | |
| 10. Landscaping - Incorporate landscaping and site | | | | |
| design to soften or shield views of buildings and | | | \boxtimes | |
| parking lots, loading docks, etc. | | | | |
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| implement zoning and development regulations | | | \boxtimes | |
| for industrial uses. | | | | |
| 12. Truck Routes - Designate truck routes to reduce noise, pollutants and traffic congestion in | | | \boxtimes | |
| residential areas. | | | | |
| 13. Access Management - Provide access controls | | | | |
| and management standards in compliance with the | | | \boxtimes | |
| DeKalb County Transportation Plan. | | | <u> </u> | |
| 14. Adaptable Reuse - Convert obsolete and empty | | | | |
| industrial buildings into multifamily and/or live- | | | \boxtimes | |
| work establishments. | | | | |
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Impact Analysis (In support of Section 27-7.3.4 of the DeKalb County Code states that the following standards and factors shall govern the review of all proposed amendments to the Official Zoning Map.)

| Qu | estions | Compliant | | nt | Comments to support zoning proposal |
|----|--|-------------|-------------|-------------|--|
| | | YES | NO | N/A | |
| Α. | Zoning proposal is in conformity with the policy and intent of the comprehensive plan: | | | \boxtimes | |
| В. | The zoning proposal will permit a use that is suitable in view of the use and development of adjacent and nearby properties: | \boxtimes | | | |
| C. | The property to be affected by the zoning proposal has a reasonable economic use as currently zoned: | | \boxtimes | | |
| D. | The zoning proposal will adversely affect the existing use or usability of adjacent or nearby property: | | \boxtimes | | |
| E. | There are other existing or changing conditions affecting the use and development of the property, which give supporting grounds for either approval or disapproval of the zoning proposal: | \boxtimes | | | |
| F. | The zoning proposal will adversely affect historic buildings, sites, districts, or archaeological resources: | | \boxtimes | | |
| G. | The zoning proposal will result in a use which will or could cause an excessive or burdensome use of existing streets, transportation facilities, utilities, or schools: | \boxtimes | | | The zoning proposal could encourage more intrusive commercial vehicle access to the adjacent residential node. |
| Н. | The zoning proposal adversely impacts the environment or surrounding natural resources. | | \boxtimes | | |

| Demographic Profile | | | | | | |
|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------|------------------|--|--|--|
| Quality of Life Elements | Project Area (census tract) | DeKalb County (2016) | Difference (+/-) | | | |
| Median Household Income | \$49,661 | \$66,037 | -\$16,376 | | | |
| Owner Occupied Housing | 57% | 57% | | | | |
| Renter Occupied Housing | 43% | 43% | | | | |
| Median Home Value | \$148,700 | \$163,600 | -\$14,900 | | | |
| Median Rental Costs (2 BR) | | \$ | | | | |
| Age Distribution (majority) | 25-44 | 25-44 | | | | |
| Source: ESRI | | | | | | |

| Economic Development Analysis (Based on the 2014 DeKalb County Economic Strategic Plan) | | | | | |
|---|----------------------------|-----------------|-------------|--|--|
| Policies | Com | Compliance with | | Additional comments that justify staff | |
| | the Strategic PlanYesNoN/A | | N/A | recommendation | |
| Target Industry and Niches | | | , | | |
| Click here if no Target Industry applies | | | | | |
| Professional and Business Services (PBS) Niche Markets: Entrepreneur-Enabled Businesses, E-commerce, Engineering, Creative Design, Consulting, Accounting, & Marketing | | | \boxtimes | | |
| Life Sciences Services, products, and activities that are broadly related to research, manufacturing and other activities focused upon or utilizing living organisms, with particular attention to activities relating to the maintenance or restoration of health. Niche Markets: Biotechnology, Bioinformatics, Proteomics, Health IT, Senior Care Services | | | X | | |
| Tourism Tourism as an industry focuses on destinations, travelers, and the businesses that accommodate those travelers. Niche Markets : Cultural Tourism, Bed & Breakfast Inns, Youth Sporting Events, Dynamic Tour Packaging | | | \boxtimes | | |
| LOGISTICS The process of planning, implementing, and controlling the efficient flow of goods and services through the supply chain from producer to consumer. Distribution includes all freight carriers (air, trucking, and intermodal) and warehousing. Niche Markets: Specialized Freight Trucking, Back Office Support Services, Truck Terminals, Warehouse Distribution. | \boxtimes | | | | |
| CONSTRUCTION AND SUPPORT TRADES (CST) Construction is the creation of improvement of man-made structures. It can include residential, commercial, and industrial building construction, or civil construction, which encompasses infrastructure and utilities. Niche Markets: Construction Materials Manufacturing, Contracting, Homebuilding | | | \boxtimes | | |
| Advanced Manufacturing - Advanced manufacturing is a category of manufacturing that utilizes innovative technologies to make better products and improve the methods to produce those products. Niche Markets: Fabricated Metals Manufacturing, Medical Equipment and Supplies, Laboratory Equipment and Supplies, Light Manufacturing and Assembly. | | | \boxtimes | | |
| Improve Business Climate | | | | | |
| Business Climate Action Plan 1. Optimize Incentives 2. Support Entrepreneurs & Small Businesses 3. Support Existing Businesses & Foster Expansion 4. Finalize Implementation of Development Services Overhaul 5. Strengthen the Economic Development Organization 6. Improve Marketing, Branding, and Communication for the County & DADC | | | \boxtimes | | |



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|--|------|-------------|--|
| Revitalize Commercial Corridors and Embrace New Employment Centers | | | |
| Employment Centers Action Plan. Subject property / project provides the following (check all that apply): | | | |
| Incentivize redevelopment and build public/private partnerships Secure appropriate zoning. Rezone required? Appropriate marketing and branding for employment centers and target industries Creation of a new employment center in DeKalb County Encourage clustering through target industry support programs | | \boxtimes | |
| Click "N/A" if the property is not within an employment center. | | \boxtimes | |
| Northern DeKalb Employment Center Location (check one): The I-85 / I-285 interchange Northlake Mall | | \boxtimes | |
| West Central DeKalb Employment Center Location (check one): Intersection of Briarcliff Road North Druid Hills Road Intersection of I-85 and Clairmont Road Intersection of N Druid Hills Road and Lavista Road | | \boxtimes | |
| Southwest DeKalb Employment Center Location (check one): I-20/ Candler Road I-20 / I-285 Interchange Memorial Drive Moreland Area | | \boxtimes | |
| East Central DeKalb Employment Center Location (check one): Stone Mountain Industrial Park Memorial Drive, I-285 Interchange | | \boxtimes | |
| Southeast DeKalb Employment Center Location (check one) I-285/Indian Creek MARTA Station I-285 / Covington Hwy | | \boxtimes | |
| Quality of Place Enhancements | | | |
| New Employment Centers and the Comprehensive Plan This project will initiate a land use amendment The project will provide connectivity for employment centers This project will create Gateways | | \boxtimes | |
| Game Changing / Catalytic Projects Consider a multi-purpose Convention Center facility Consider a multi-purpose sportsplex facility | | \boxtimes | |
| Infrastructure and Aesthetics Utilization of CIDs and TADs to fund infrastructure and beautification projects, especially along South Memorial Drive. Highway interchange improvements are packaged to accommodate logistics industry in Moreland area. | | \boxtimes | |

| Transportation | | - | - | | |
|--|----------------|-------------------|-------------|---|--|
| (Based on the DeKalb County 201 Policies | Compliant with | | t with | Additional comments that justify staff | |
| | Yes | the CTP No N/A | | recommendation | |
| Functional Classification for the project site: □Freeway □Major Arterial □Minor Arterial □Collector ⊠Local | \boxtimes | | | There are signs of Commercial Vehicles using this street. They should not be. | |
| Freight ⊠Located on a truck or sanitation route □Proximity of Landfill or Transfer Station □Located on a state route | | | | Parcel could potentially be combined with another parcel that is on Turner Hill Rd. (a truck route) | |
| □Located in proximity of rail lines and / or crossings Access Management | | \boxtimes | | | |
| Complete Streets Policy County / Developer will consider installing bicycle and / or pedestrian facilities, and Transit facilities. | | | | | |
| Design: The following street design guidelines and best practices are listed on page 16 in the Appendix document of the CTP. | | | \boxtimes | | |
| Application: See page 16 in the Appendix document of the CTP | | | \square | | |
| Exemptions: Roadway corridor legally prohibits specific users (e.g. bicyclists and pedestrians on interstate) Cost of providing bicycle or pedestrian facilities is excessively disproportionate to the need or probable use Absence of current and future need is documented Roadways not owned or operated by DeKalb County. | | | | | |
| Performance Measures. Success of complete streets include: Miles of new on-street bicycle routes Miles of new or reconstructed sidewalks Percentage completion of bicycle and pedestrian networks as envisioned by the latest DeKalb County Comprehensive Transportation Plan Increase in pedestrian and bicycle volumes along key corridors | | | | | |
| Human Services Transportation | | | \boxtimes | | |
| Bicycle and Pedestrian Level of Service Goals and Connectivity□LOS B (within an activity center)□LOS C (not within an activity center)□Existing PATH Trail | | | | | |
| Priority Bicycle Network□First Tier Priority Network□Second Tier Priority Network□Existing PATH□Future PATH | | | \boxtimes | | |
| MARTA and TOD | | | \boxtimes | | |
| Bus Routes Project is on a bus route Project is near a bus route Project is not close to a bus route | | | | | |
| Transit StationsProject is on a transit station siteProject is near a transit stationProject is not close to a transit station | | | \boxtimes | | |
| Priority Projects for DeKalb County Tier 1 Tier 2 Tier 3 None | | | \boxtimes | If boxes are checked, list the specific projects here: | |



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DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING & SUSTAINABILITY

Director Andrew A. Baker, AICP

APPLICATION TO AMEND COMPREHENSIVE LAND USE PLAN OF DEKALB COUNTY, GEORGIA

DATE

ATTACHMENT "A"

Application to Amend Official Zoning Map DeKalb County, GA

Owners' Information

Owner(s): MH Lithonia Holdings LLC — Morris Habif, Managing

Partner E-Mail: mnhabif@habifproperties.com

Owner's Mailing Address: 3717 Roswell Rd. NE #100, Atlanta, GA 30342

Owner(s) Phone: (404) 522-9358 Fax:

Owner(s): <u>Neisem Properties LLC — Morris Habif, Managing</u>

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DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING & SUSTAINABILITY

LAND USE (FUTURE DEVELOPMENT) MAPAMENDMENT APPLICATION AUTHORIZATION

Completion of this form is required if the individual making the request is not the owner of the property.

DATE: 10/12/20

CHECK TYPE OF APPLICATION:

(X) LAND USE MAP AMENDMENT

(X) REZONE

() MINOR MODIFICATION

() SPECIAL LAND USE PERMIT

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

(1)/(WE), Morris Habif (mng. member of LLC)

MH Lithonia Holdings LLC & Neisem Properties LLC

being (owner)/(owners) of the property described below or attached hereby delegate authority to

Joseph Cooley, Esq. Cooley Planning and Land Use Law LLC (Name of Applicant or Agent Representing Owner)

to file and application on (my) /(our) behalf.

Notary Public

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Owner

Notary Public

Owner



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Letter of Intent Rezoning & Land Use Change

For

2346 Pine Mountain Street (#16 168 01 008) (Subject Property), DeKalb County, Georgia

Rezoning/Land Use Change of the Subject Property from RE (Residential Estate) to M (Light Industrial) and from SUB (Subdivision) to LIND (Light Industrial) was applied for on August 28, 2008. Staff recommendations were for approval of the Land Use Change and approval of the Rezoning with conditions; however, the Land Use Change application was denied by the DeKalb County Board of Commissioners, and the Rezoning Application was not heard. The required two-year timeframe prior to resubmitting Rezoning and Land Use Applications has expired.

The Subject Property consists of approximately 1.224 acres. It is located west of Turner Hill Road; directly north of the City of Lithonia; and approximately 0.15 miles south of the Stonecrest city limits. *(see attachments).* It is currently zoned RE. The parcel is mostly cleared with concrete and gravel areas which are visible in the attached aerial photograph. Past structures on the parcel included a dilapidated mobile home and shed, The mobile home has been antidotally described by neighboring land owners as a "crack house". The structures were demolished and the property has been vacant since.

The Subject Property is completely surrounded to the north, south, east and west with parcels zoned M. The surrounding future land use classification of the properties is primarily LIND.

The parcels immediately to the south, east and northeast also belong to the Owner. Those parcels consist of approximately 8.61 acres, are zoned M, and are designated LIND on the future land use map. The parcels were previously cleared, but remain undeveloped. The parcels have approximately 811 feet of frontage on Turner Hill Road, with direct access to Turner Hill Road via Turn Hill Road N. Combined with the Subject Property the total acreage is approximately 10.25 acres.

The Subject Property has no value as currently zoned Residential Estate and with a Suburban land use designation. By combining the Subject Property with the Owner's adjacent properties, which has direct access to Turner Hill Road, the Subject Property has possibilities for beneficial economic uses. This would ultimately be an economical benefit for the community and DeKalb County.

There was opposition to the application at the Board of Commissioners Land Use Change hearing over two years ago. Person speaking expressed a fear of an increase of illegal activities, such as prostitution and illegal drug sales, increased traffic that might be generated from future redevelopment, and change of character to the area. Some wanted to see a site development plan to know exactly what was to be built there.

As much as it may be desired, a site development plan cannot be realistically determined or prepared until such time that the parcels are consolidated with all having the same zoning and future land use designation. The character of the area surrounding the Subject Property is not Suburban as currently classified. Concept plans, site plans and review/approval of all future development plans will involve working with the community, the Planning and Sustainability Department, the Development Authority of DeKalb County (DADC), and other DeKalb County departments. Some issues, such as potential traffic impacts, cannot be properly addressed until such time as to a development concept is developed.

The Owner (Mr. Morris Habif and Habif Properties) have been consolidating and redeveloping properties in the Atlanta area for many years. He was a key participant in the redevelopment south of Five Points since 1968 and has been featured in the Atlanta Journal Constitution several times regarding the positive work he has been doing for the area. ("Another Chance of a Lifetime awaits South Downtown Area", Torpy, AJC, Oct. 4, 2018; attached). Mr. Habif has successfully consolidated parcels to encourage development and redevelopment throughout his career. His company has a substantial list of successful projects in the Atlanta area (see https://habifproperties.com for more detailed information).

The Applicant requests the land use designation of the "Subject Property" be changed from <u>SUB</u> (<u>Suburban</u>) to LIND (Light Industrial). This would bring the Subject Property into consistency with:

- 1) The current uses of surrounding properties and zoning all of said properties which are currently zoned M Light Industrial;
- 2) the predominate future land use map designation of surrounding properties as LIND Light Industrial;
- 3) the text and policies of the 2021 DeKalb County Comprehensive Plan Policy;
- 4) and the Owner's right and ability to develop his land to have an economically viable use.

We respectfully request that the DeKalb Board of Commissioners approve the concurrent Land Use and the Rezoning Applications.

Sincerely,

Joseph L. Cooley, Esq. Cooley Planning & Land Use Law, LLC Attorney for the Owner



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DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING & SUSTAINABILITY

As per Section 27-829 of the Zoning Ordinance of DeKalb County, each applicant seeking an amendment to the official Comprehensive Plan land use maps shall provided a complete written response to each of the following standards and factors for evaluation applications for amendments to the Comprehensive Plan land use maps:

Whether the proposed land use change will permit uses that are suitable in view of the use and development of adjacent and nearby property;

Yes. All adjacent properties (except one) are designated as LIND – Light Industrial Use. The one exception (parcel #16 167 08 011; 0.26 ac) is designated as SUB – Suburban, but is zoned M (manufacturing) which is consistent with other surrounding zoning. The parcel is a legal non-conforming lot and non-conforming use due to the fact that it is zoned M which does not allow residential uses. As such the small residence on the property cannot be rebuilt or expanded. All of the surrounding properties (North, East, South, and West) are currently zoned M (manufacturing).

Changing the Subject Property's land use designation to LIND would be consistent with current uses and other future land use designations of property in the area. The current land use designation of SUB is not suitable for the Subject Parcel and not consistent with other land uses in the area. The SUB designation and the current zoning of RE have made the property effectively unusable.

2. <u>Whether the proposed land use change will adversely affect the existing use or usability of adjacent or nearby property;</u>

No, the Subject Property is the only parcel which is not zoned M of all the properties south of Turner Hill Road North, east of Pine Mountain Street, and west of Turner Hill Road. All are zoned M, except for the Subject Property. Also, all property in the block directly west of Pine Mountain Street and the Subject Property is primarily zoned M, with four lots zoned C-1 along Rock Chapel Road, and one individual lot zoned RE. The Owner also owns the 8.5 acre tract adjacent to and south and east of the Subject Property. This application if approved would make the Subject Property's zoning and future land use designation consistent with those on his adjacent parcel and other adjacent parcels.

3. <u>Whether the proposed land use change will result in uses which will or could cause excessive or</u> <u>burdensome use of existing streets</u>, transportation facilities, utilities, or schools;

No. The Owner's adjacent property has direct access to Rock Chapel Road, which directly connects to Turner Hill Road North. That would provide access for the Subject Property. As such, there would be no excess or burdensome impact on existing streets generated by the 1.22 ac parcel. Neither schools or utilities would be negatively affected.

4. Whether the amendment is consistent with the written policies in Comprehensive Plan Text;

Yes. The amendment would make the Subject Property consistent with the written policies in the Comprehensive Plan. The Subject Property currently has a future land use designation of SUB (suburban). The current zoning of the Subject Property is RE (residential estate) requiring a minimum of one acre per lot.

The property's current land use of SUB and the zoning of RE are inconsistent with and contrary to the text of the Comprehensive Plan for all the surrounding properties. In order to have any legal use of the lot, the future land use designation and zoning classification must be changed.

The change in Comprehensive Plan designation and zoning as requested will make the Subject Property consistent with both.

5. Whether there are environmental impacts or consequences resulting from the proposed change;

No. The changes in Land Use and Zoning for the Subject Property would have no negative environmental impacts.

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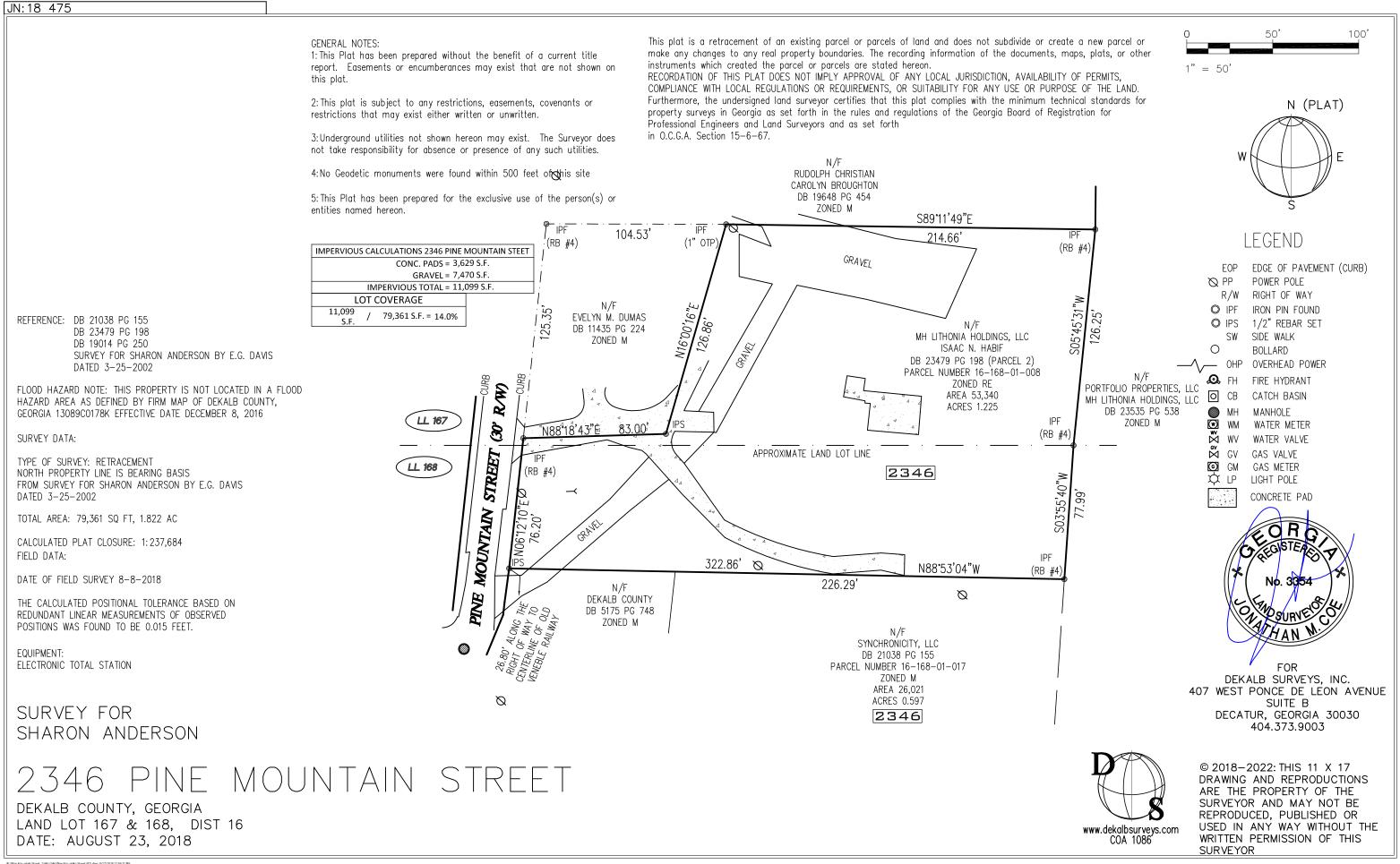
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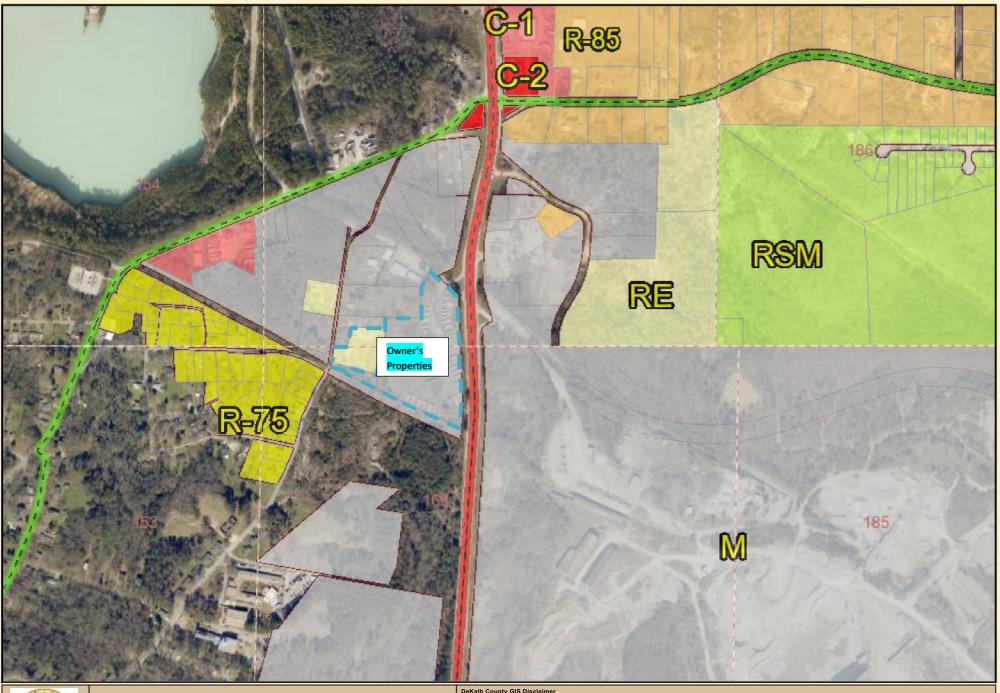
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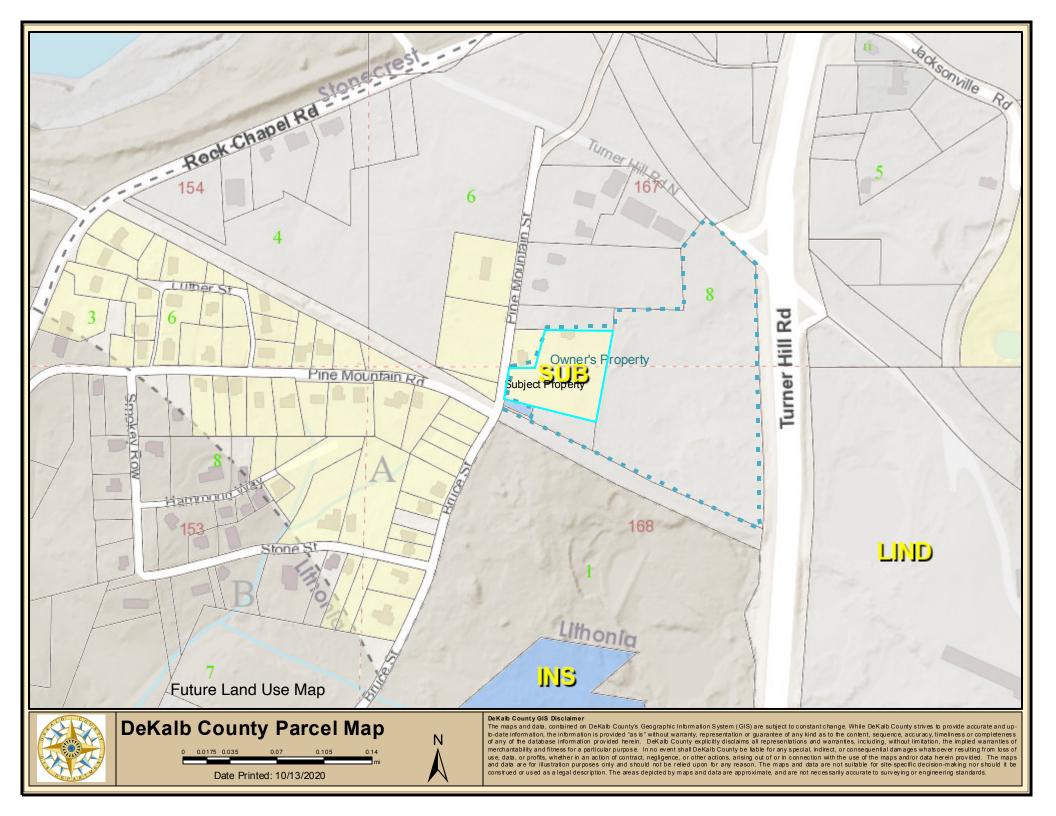
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PUBLIC NOTICE

to

Request for Rezoning of Property

Filed by : Joseph Cooley, Cooley Planning & Land Use Law LLC (agent) for

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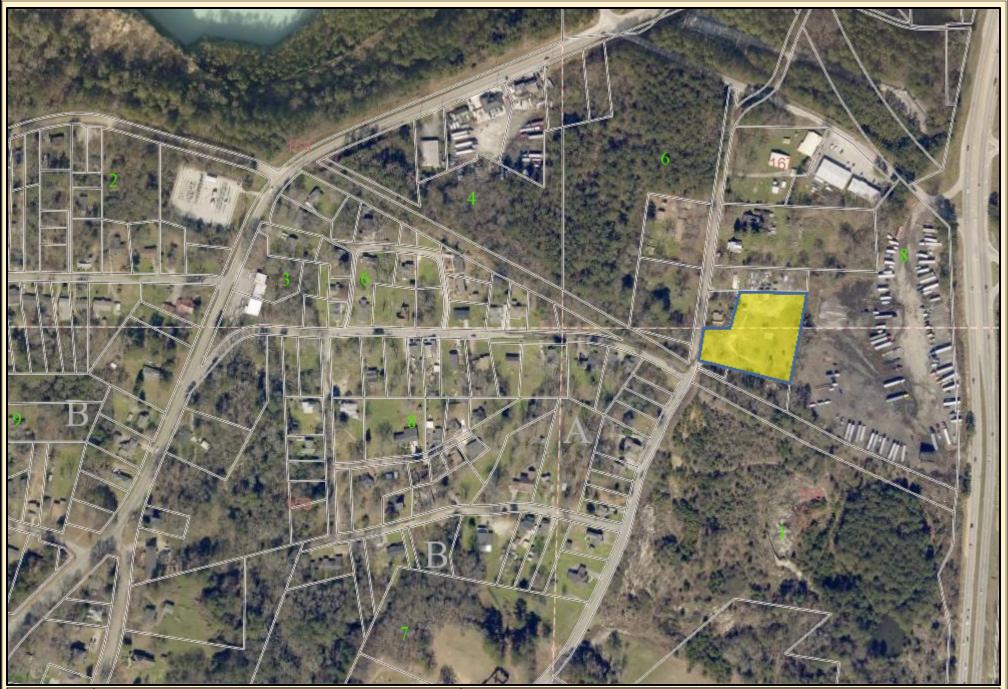
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Current Use: Undeveloped

Proposed Use: Consolidation of parcels to same zoning district as all surrounding properties. Parcels currently owned by the "Owner" will be consolidated for future development and marketing. (not know at this time)

PRE-SUBMITTAL COMMUNITY MEETING TO TAKE PLACE VIA ZOOM:

Date: Wednesday, Feb. 3, 2021 Zoom Mtg #273 3121 2577

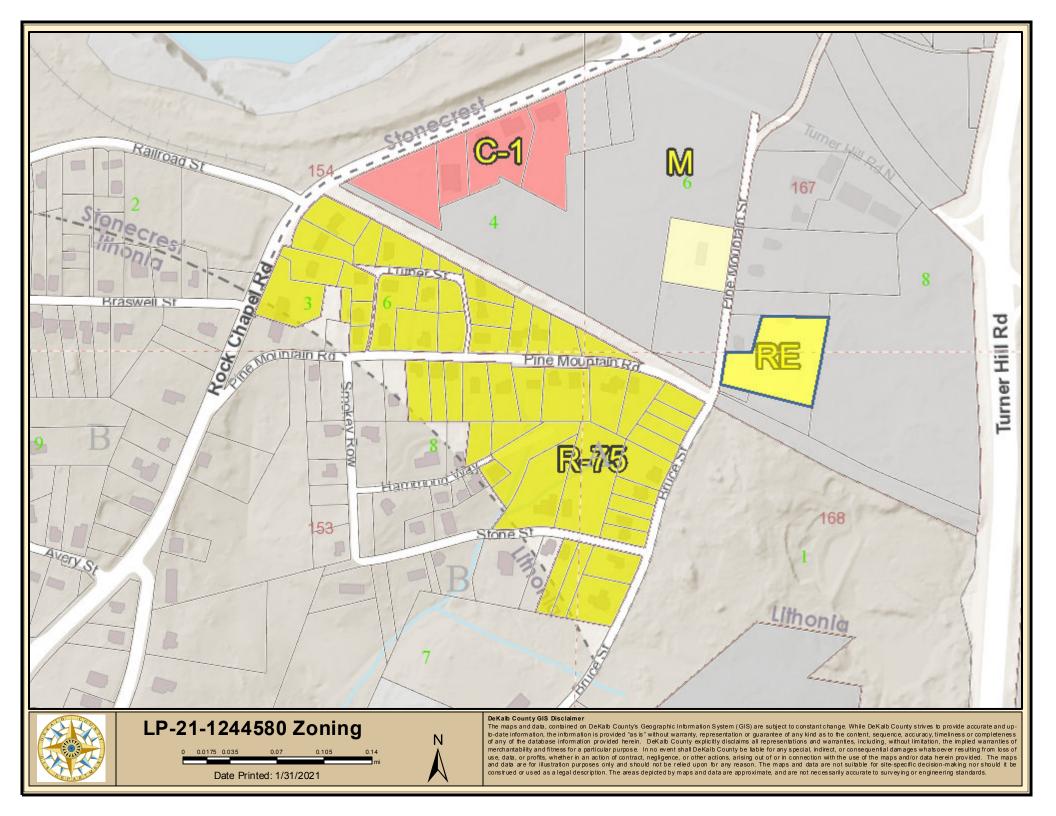


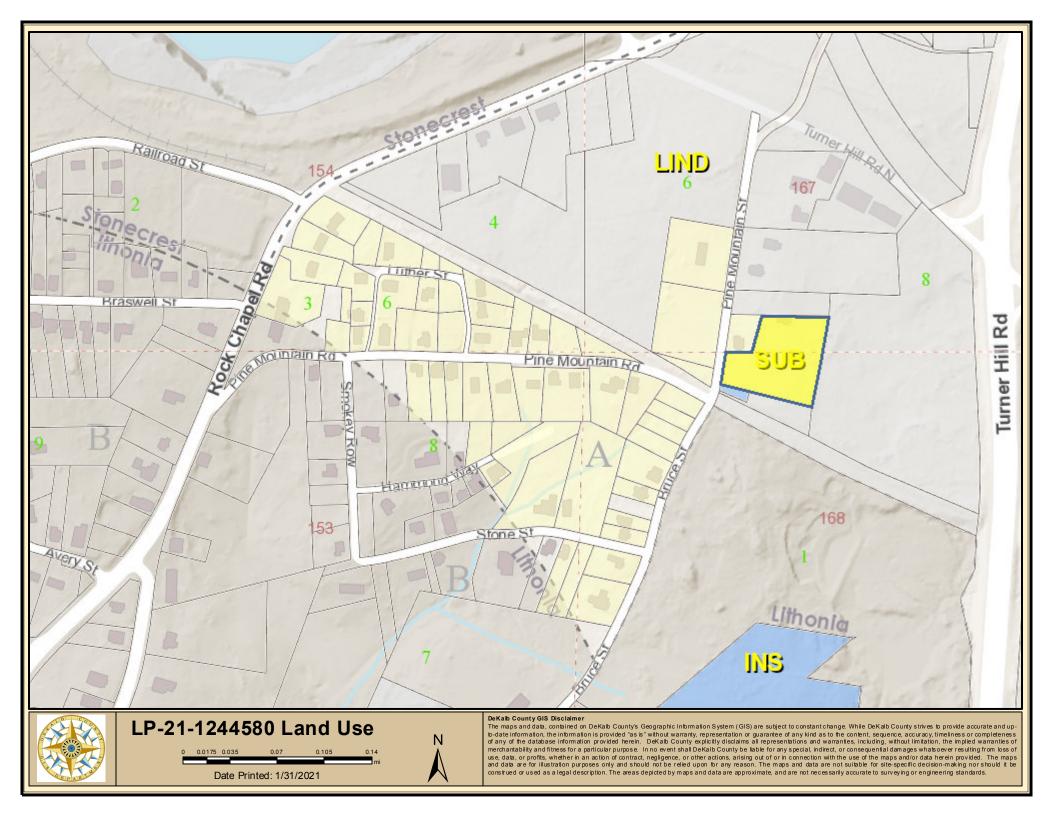


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Land Use Map Amendment Application

For

2346 Pine Mountain Street Unincorporated DeKalb County

Application # LU-21-1244580



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DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING & SUSTAINABILITY

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APPLICATION TO AMEND COMPREHENSIVE LAND USE PLAN OF DEKALB COUNTY, GEORGIA

| Application No.: Date Received: |
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| Applicant's Name: Joseph Cooley, Esq.(agent for owner)E-Mail: Cooleylandlaw@gmail.com |
| Applicant's Mailing Address: 243 Highland Rose Way, Sugar Hill, GA 30518 |
| Applicant's Daytime Phone #: <u>770-778-4776</u> Fax:_ |
| (If more than one owner, attach information for each owner as Exhibit "A") |
| Owner's Name: MH Lithonia Holdings LLC E-Mail mnhabif@habifproperties.com |
| Owner's Mailing Address 3717 Roswell Rd NE #100 Atlanta, GA 30342 |
| Owner's Daytime Phone # (404) 522-9342 Fax: |
| Address/Location of Subject Property: |
| District(s): <u>16</u> Land Lot(s): <u>167, 168</u> Block(s): <u>01</u> Parcel: <u>008</u> |
| Acreage: 1.224 Commission District(s): District 5 & Super District 7 |
| Current Land Use Designation: SUB Proposed Land Use Designation: LIND |
| Current Zoning Classification(s): <u>RE</u> |
| PLEASE READ THE FOLLOWING BEFORE SIGNING |
| I. This application form must be completed in its entirety. In addition, any application that lacks any of the required attachments or payment of the filing fee shall be determined to be incomplete and shall not be accepted. |
| II. <u>Disclosure of Campaign Contributions:</u> In accordance with the Conflict of Interest in Zoning Act, O.C.G.A., Chapter 36-67A, the following questions must be answered: Have you, the applicant, made \$250 or more in campaign contributions to a local government official within two years immediately preceding the filling of this application? YesX No |
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DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING & SUSTAINABILITY

LAND USE (FUTURE DEVELOPMENT) MAPAMENDMENT APPLICATION AUTHORIZATION

Completion of this form is required if the individual making the request is not the owner of the property.

DATE: 10/12/20

CHECK TYPE OF APPLICATION:

(X) LAND USE MAP AMENDMENT

(X) REZONE

() MINOR MODIFICATION

() SPECIAL LAND USE PERMIT

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

(1)/(WE), Morris Habif (mng. member of LLC)

MH Lithonia Holdings LLC & Neisem Properties LLC

being (owner)/(owners) of the property described below or attached hereby delegate authority to

Joseph Cooley, Esq. Cooley Planning and Land Use Law LLC (Name of Applicant or Agent Representing Owner)

to file and application on (my) /(our) behalf.

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ATTACHMENT "A"

Application to Amend Official Zoning Map DeKalb County, GA

Owners' Information

Owner(s): MH Lithonia Holdings LLC — Morris Habif, Managing

Partner E-Mail: mnhabif@habifproperties.com

Owner's Mailing Address: 3717 Roswell Rd. NE #100, Atlanta, GA 30342

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Letter of Intent Rezoning & Land Use Change

For

2346 Pine Mountain Street (#16 168 01 008) (Subject Property), DeKalb County, Georgia

Rezoning/Land Use Change of the Subject Property from RE (Residential Estate) to M (Light Industrial) and from SUB (Subdivision) to LIND (Light Industrial) was applied for on August 28, 2008. Staff recommendations were for approval of the Land Use Change and approval of the Rezoning with conditions; however, the Land Use Change application was denied by the DeKalb County Board of Commissioners, and the Rezoning Application was not heard. The required two-year timeframe prior to resubmitting Rezoning and Land Use Applications has expired.

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The Subject Property is completely surrounded to the north, south, east and west with parcels zoned M (see attachments). The surrounding future land use classification of the properties is primarily LIND.

The parcels immediately to the south, east and northeast also belong to the Owner. Those parcels consist of approximately 8.61 acres, are zoned M, and are designated LIND on the future land use map. The parcels were previously cleared, but remain undeveloped. The parcels have approximately 811 feet of frontage on Turner Hill Road, with direct access to Turner Hill Road via Turn Hill Road N. Combined with the Subject Property the total acreage is approximately 10.25 acres.

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There was opposition to the application at the Board of Commissioners Land Use Change hearing over two years ago. Person speaking expressed a fear of an increase of illegal activities, such as prostitution and illegal drug sales, increased traffic that might be generated from future redevelopment, and change of character to the area. Some wanted to see a site development plan to know exactly what was to be built there. At a recent community meeting, when asked what they at the community wanted to see for the entire area in which the Subject property is located, they overwhelmingly said it should all be residential housing. This is contrary to the Comprehensive Plan and current zonings.

The character of the area surrounding the Subject Property is not Suburban as currently classified. Concept plans, site plans and review/approval of all development plans will involve working with the community, the Planning and Sustainability Department, the Development Authority of DeKalb County (DADC), and other DeKalb County departments.

The Owner (Mr. Morris Habif and Habif Properties) have been consolidating and redeveloping properties in the Atlanta area for many years. He was a key participant in the redevelopment south of Five Points since 1968 and has been featured in the Atlanta Journal Constitution several times regarding the positive work he has been doing for the area. ("Another Chance of a Lifetime awaits South Downtown Area", Torpy, AJC, Oct. 4, 2018; attached). Mr. Habif has successfully consolidated parcels to encourage development and redevelopment throughout his career. His company has a substantial list of successful projects in the Atlanta area (see https://habifproperties.com for more detailed information).

The Applicant requests the land use designation of the "Subject Property" be changed from <u>SUB</u> (Suburban) to LIND (Light Industrial). This would bring the Subject Property into consistency with:

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- 3) the text and policies of the 2021 DeKalb County Comprehensive Plan Policy;
- 4) and the Owner's right and ability to develop his land to have an economically viable use.

We respectfully request that the DeKalb Board of Commissioners approve the concurrent Land Use and the Rezoning Applications.

Sincerely, Joseph L. Cooley, Esq. Cooley Planning & Land Use Law, LLC Attorney for Habif Properties (Owner)



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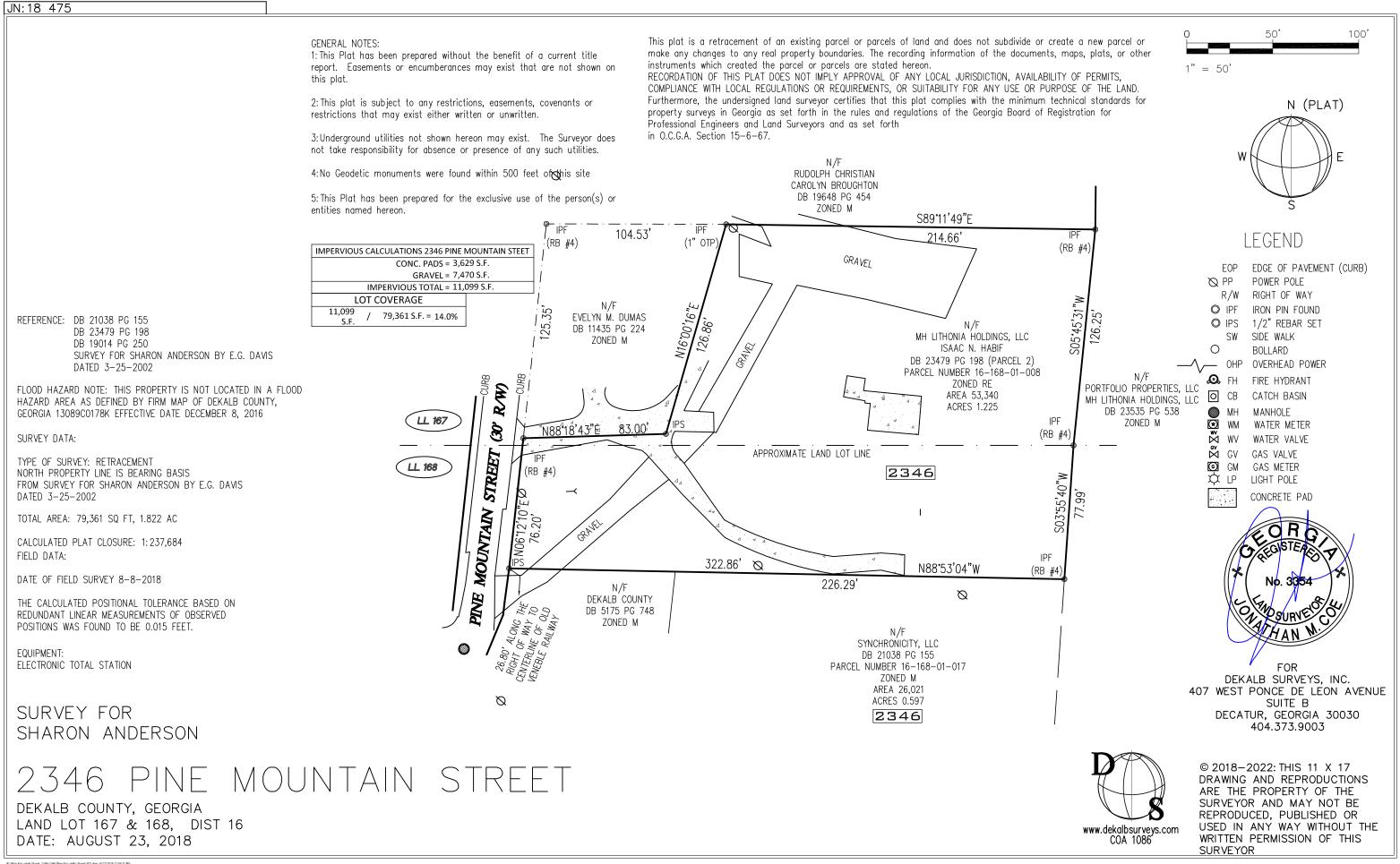
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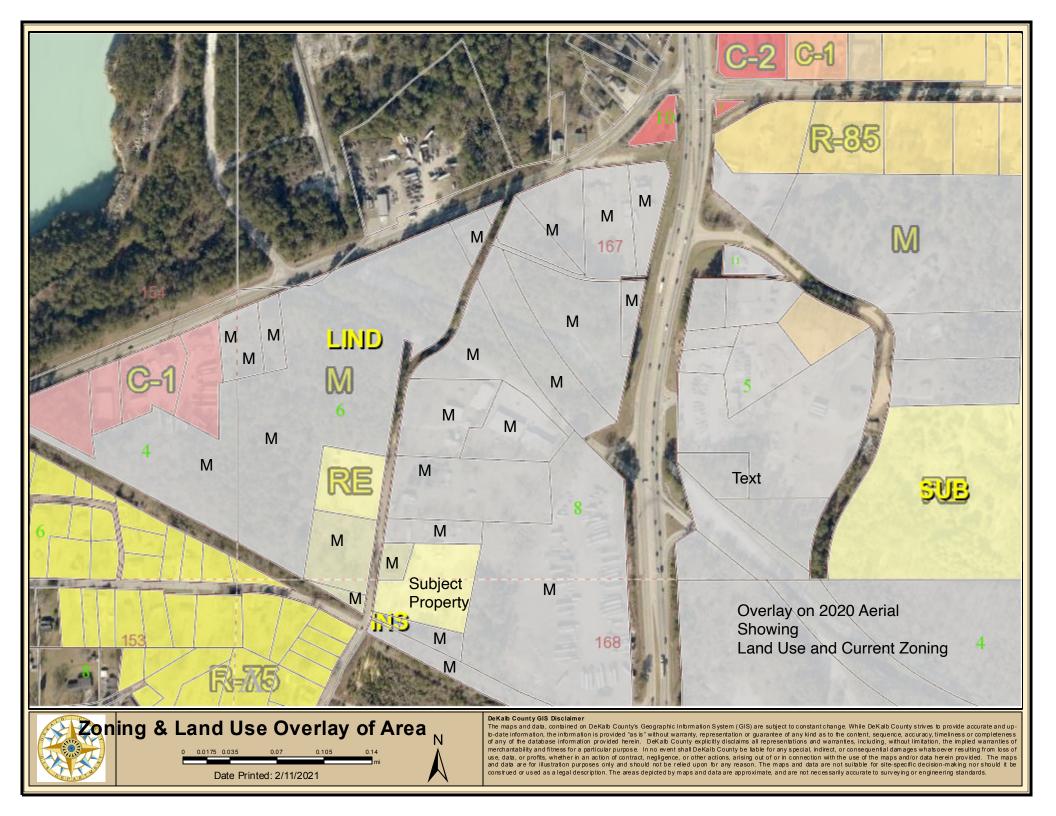
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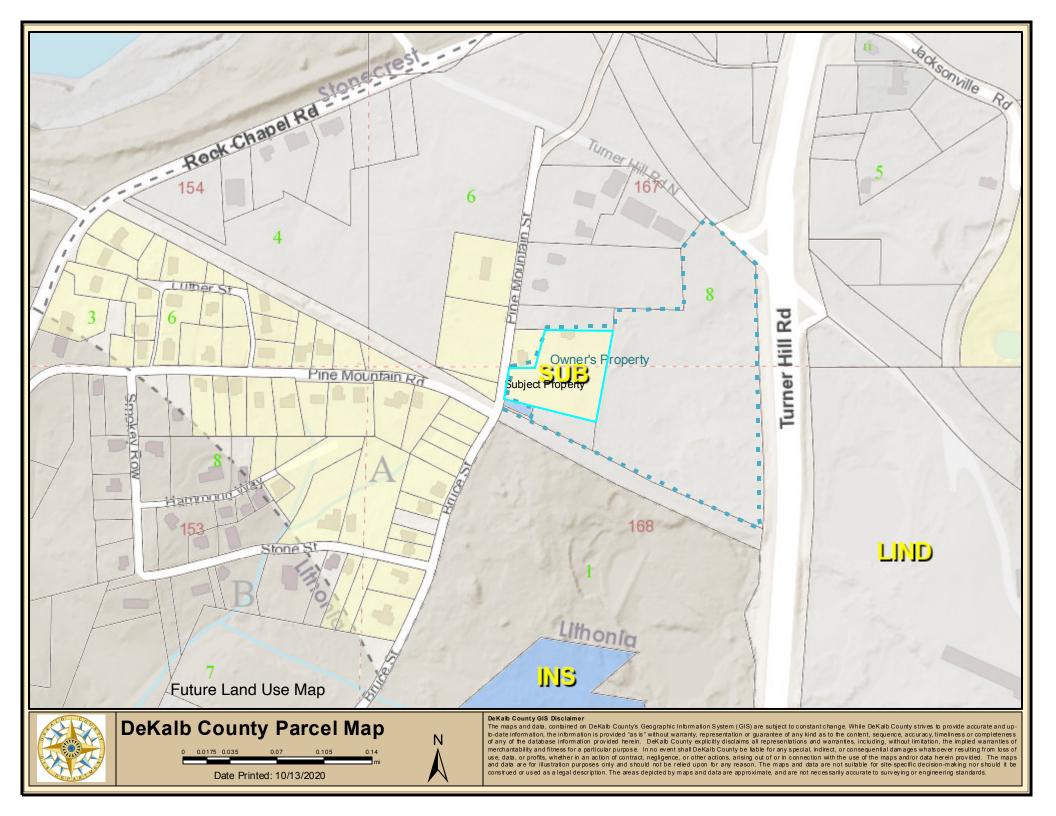
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| Owner | Property Number | Property Street | City | ZIP | Mailing Add | | | - | | Notice Statu |
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| Evelyn Dumas | 2338 | Pine Mountain Street | Lithonia | | | Indian Forest Road | Stone Mountain | GA | | delivered |
| Christian Rudolph | 2328 | Pine Mountain Street | Lithonia | 30058 | | Pine Mountain Street | Lithonia | GA | | delivered |
| Jose Jimenez | 2356 | Pine Mountain Street | Lithonia | | and the second se | C Street | Elmont | NY | | delivered |
| Synchronicity LLC | 2346 | Pine Mountain Street | Lithonia | | PO Box 8087 | | Convers | GA | | delivered |
| Lori Mccart | 2312 | Pine Mountain Street | Lithonia | | A CONTRACTOR OF | Pine Mountain Street | Lithonia | GA | | delivered |
| Julia Binion Poynter | 2294 | Pine Mountain Street | Lithonia | 30058 | 2294 | Pine Mountain Street | Lithonia | GA | - A COLORADOR CONTRACTOR | delivered |
| ARS Mechanical LLC | 7195 | Pine Mountain Street | Lithonia | 30058 | 1941 | Gees Mill Road | Conyers | GA | | delivered |
| Doris Williams | 2313 | Pine Mountain Street | Lithonia | | a service and a se | Pine Mountain Street | Lithonia | GA | | delivered |
| Sara Lynn Anderson | 2337 | Pine Mountain Street | Lithonia | 30058 | 2337 | Pine Mountain Street | Lithonia | GA | | returned |
| Thomas Spratling | 2357 | Bruce Steet | Lithonia | 30058 | 2357 | Bruce Steet | Lithonia | GA | and the second sec | delivered |
| Tomika Nichols | 2361 | Bruce Steet | Lithonia | 30058 | 2361 | Bruce Steet | Lithonia | GA | | returned |
| Arthur Scott | 2365 | Bruce Steet | Lithonia | 30058 | 2365 | Bruce Steet | Lithonia | GA | | delivered |
| Willie Johnson | 2369 | Bruce Steet | Lithonia | 30058 | 2369 | Bruce Steet | Lithonia | GA | | returned |
| Gil Haim Varon | 2375 | Bruce Steet | Lithonia | 30058 | 2375 | Bruce Steet | Lithonia | GA | | delivered |
| GSGS Atlanta LLC | 2381 | Bruce Steet | Lithonia | 30058 | 922 | Presserve Bluff Dr. | Buford | GA | | delivered |
| Juan Carlos Garcia | 2389 | Bruce Steet | Lithonia | 30058 | 2389 | Bruce Steet | Lithonia | GA | | returned |
| Jerome Franklin | 7098 | Stone Street | Lithonia | 30058 | 7098 | Stone Street | Lithonia | GA | | delivered |
| Woodie Frankllin | 7086 | Stone Street | Lithonia | 30058 | 7086 | Stone Street | Lithonia | GA | | delivered |
| Robert Scott | 7123 | Pine Mountain Road | Lithonia | 30058 | 7123 | Pine Mountain Road | Lithonia | GA | _ | delivered |
| Robin Elaine Fretwen | 7155 | Pine Mountain Road | Lithonia | 30058 | 7155 | Pine Mountain Road | Lithonia | GA | | delivered |
| Claudine Anderson | 7101 | Pine Mountain Road | Lithonia | 30058 | 7101 | Pine Mountain Road | Lithonia | GA | | delivered |
| Davidson Mineral Prop. Inc | 2388 | Rock Chapel Road | Lithonia | 30058 | 3520 | Piedmont Rd. Suite 410 | Atlanta | GA | 30305 | delivered |
| Properties owned by Mit | I Lithonia Holdings LLC or Del | Kelb County are not included on the r | mailing list. | | | | | | | |
| Highlighted in Yellow: | Persons living at properties | who came to the Pre-App Community I | Meeting | | | Belleville and a second | | | | a China |

The meeting was held via Zoom and lasted approximately 1 hr. 10 min.

Attached is the two notices of the Zoom meeting (second containing additional information), list of property owners notified and letters that were returned.

- Property currently Zoned RE Residential Estate and is identified future land use map as SUB Suburban.
- It was rezoned with conditions to Residential Estate in 1988
- Mostly cleared with concrete and gravel areas.
- Many years ago, it had a trailer on the property- identified by neighbors as a crack house
- Subject Property: parcel consists of 1.22 acre zoned RE Residential Estate Owner owns a total of 10.45 total acres in the block formed by:
 - Turner Hill Road North to the north
 - o Turner Hill Road to the east
 - Abandoned RR ROW and Lithonia City Limits to the south
 - Pine Mountain Street to the west.
- There are 11 parcels within that block:
 - 9 currently zoned M Light Manufacturing
 - 1 (subject property) is zoned RE residential estate.
 - o 0.05 ac parcel at the corner of PM Street and the RR ROW zoned I Institutional vacant
- On both sides of Pine Mountain Street there are only 2 properties zoned RE:
 - Subject Property &
 - The property at 2313 Pine Mountain Street (approx. 1 ac) (further north down on the west side) with a single family detached home with 3 other buildings.
 - All the other property on both sides of the street are currently zoned M light manufacturing. (except for 0.05 ac Dekalb County parcel)
- It is not developable as Residential Estate and should not be shown as being Suburban under the Land Use policies and character area characteristics of the 2036 land use plan update.
- The property has no economic value as currently zoned.

I met with members of the neighboring area on Wednesday February 3.

- They were opposed to rezoning.
- I discussed many types of uses allowed in Light Industrial zoning
- We discussed what they wanted to see and the answer was "We want to see the entire area as residential."
- I explained the comprehensive planning process and I suggested if that is the way the feel they may about the whole area they may want to contact the BOC and the Planning & Sustainability Department to see if there would be interest in trying to have a Small Area Plan done to relook at the long range uses.
- No one would agree.

I told them I would discuss it with my Client the next day, which I did.

• He informed me that they are planning to develop the property for warehouse use and the plans will be submitted with the final application for public hearings.

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