Public Hearing: YES ⊠ **NO** □ **Department:** Planning & Sustainability

SUBJECT:

COMMISSION DISTRICT(S): COMMISSION DISTRICT 03 SUPER DISTRICT 07

Application of Stix & Stones Homes for a major modification of zoning conditions #1 and #2 pursuant to Z-22-1245596 to increase the number of units and construct a single-family detached cottage development at 1484 & 1520 Columbia Drive.

PETITION NO: D1-2023-1142 CZ-23-1246630

PROPOSED USE: Single-family, detached cottage development.

LOCATION: 1484 & 1520 Columbia Drive, Decatur, Georgia 30032

PARCEL NO.: 15-186-04-028; 15-186-04-029

INFO. CONTACT: Adam Chappell, Planner

PHONE NUMBER: 404-371-2155

PURPOSE:

Application of Stix & Stones Homes for a major modification of zoning conditions #1 and #2 pursuant to Z-22-1245596 to increase the number of units and construct a single-family detached cottage development within the R-60 (Residential Small Lot) zoning district.

RECOMMENDATION:

COMMUNITY COUNCIL: (Feb. 13, 2024) Approval with conditions. (Oct. 4, 2024) Denial.

PLANNING COMMISSION: (March 5, 2024) Pending. (Nov. 2, 2023) Two-Cycle Deferral.

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STAFF ANALYSIS: The subject properties were rezoned from the R-75 (Residential Medium Lot-75) Zoning District to the R-60 (Residential Small Lot-60) zoning district on July 26, 2022 (Z-22-1245596). This rezoning was approved with conditions that restricted the development site to no more than 11 single-family detached dwellings (see enclosed conditions, site plan, and other approved documents). The applicant proposes a major modification to modify Conditions #1 and #2 to allow for up to 16 single-family, fee-simple, cottage dwellings at a density of approximately 5.7 units per acre. The proposed cottage development is a permitted principal use in the R-60 Zoning District, subject to design regulations in Section 5.7.9. of the Zoning Ordinance, which was added as a text amendment by the Board of Commissioners on December 12, 2023. The original site plan with the proposal, dated August 24, 2023 and titled "Columbia Cottages", showed clusters of cottage dwellings centered around several courtyards which qualify as areas of enhanced open space typical of cottage developments. This site plan, however, contained numerous zoning deficiencies, including a lack of streetscaping, lot compatibility, and compliance with cottage development standards that were in place at the time. Significant deficiencies with proposed stormwater detention facilities were noted by Land Development, Roads and Drainage, and Watershed. As a result, at its meeting on November 16, 2023, the Board of Commissioners granted this case a two-cycle deferral to give the applicant sufficient time to redesign their proposal. A revised site plan dated January 17, 2024 shows an updated design that addresses a majority of concerns raised by staff with the initial submittal. Landscaping and streetscaping has been provided that meets the requirements of Section 5.4.3. The majority of the proposed cottages are clustered around a central enhanced open space or common area; an underground stormwater detention facility is provided underneath this open space and a stormwater discharge point is provided in the extreme eastern corner of the development site. On February 15, 2024, a roundtable

discussion was held with the applicant and members of various County departments; many of the previous deficiencies were deemed to be adequately addressed with the new proposal. However, there are still some site plan issues that need to be addressed. While a better display of pedestrian connectivity has been provided compared to the original site plan, Planning Staff recommends an additional pedestrian path be provided on the eastern side of the proposed Lot 9 to connect with the proposed sidewalk improvements along Columbia Drive. The proposed Lot 16, while fronting what is noted as enhanced open space, is isolated from the other lots. The majority of Lots 1-9 do not appear to comply with Section 5.7.9. (F) of the Zoning Ordinance which requires that parking shall be provided so that each unit is no further than 200 feet from a parking area. Driveways or parking pads appear to be provided for Lots 10-15, which do not meet the intent of the cottage design guidelines for the units to be oriented toward an open space courtyard with any vehicular access from the rear of the lot. It should be noted, however, that the revised site plan was designed according to older cottage development standards and not those per the adoption of Section 5.7.9. of the Zoning Ordinance. The text amendment allows for a more flexible cottage design by abolishing lot area, lot width, setbacks, and lot coverage requirements for individual lots. While dwellings must be located no closer than five (5) feet from an enhanced open space/common area and no closer than 10 feet from each other (with some exceptions), the new development standards allow for a much more compact clustering of units. This, in turn, can allow for additional (or the relocation of currently proposed) infrastructure on-site. From a land use and density perspective, the proposed single-family cottages appear to be consistent with the following strategies and policies of the Suburban Character Area policy of the DeKalb County 2050 Unified Plan: "Permit cottage court developments, accessory housing units, new well-designed, small-scale infill multi-family residences and other innovative housing types to increase housing choice, income diversity, and limited neighborhood density" (DeKalb County 2050 Unified Plan, Traditional Neighborhood Character Area, Land Use Compatibility, page 39). An increase in density may be appropriate on this property, which fronts a minor arterial road between commercial nodes located approximately 1,800 feet to the north (Columbia Drive/Belvedere Lane) and approximately 1,900 feet to the south (Columbia Drive/Peachcrest Road). Furthermore, an appropriately designed cottage subdivision with maximum building heights of one-and-a-half stories and unit sizes not exceeding 1,200 square feet would not be expected to adversely affect the existing character of uses in the general vicinity, which are primarily single-family dwellings of similar height and size. Therefore, upon review of Section 7.3.5., the Department of Planning and Sustainability recommends "Approval with conditions.

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COMMUNITY COUNCIL VOTE/RECOMMENDATION: (Feb. 13, 2024) Approval with conditions 7-3-0 that 1) the Applicant revise the plan to provide for the maximum parking allowed by the cottage ordinance; and, 2) the Applicant to provide such parking conveniently located for each proposed cottage home. (Oct. 4, 2023) Denial. Discussion included that smaller cottage lots were not consistent with character and lot sizes of surrounding residential neighborhoods and potential lack of parking.

CZ-23-1246630 (2023-1142) Major Modification of Conditions Pursuant to Z-22-1245596 Staff Recommended Conditions 02/16/2024

1484 and 1520 Columbia Drive Decatur, GA 30032

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Planning Commission Hearing Date: Tuesday, March 5, 2024 Board of Commissioners Hearing Date: Thursday, March 28, 2024

STAFF ANALYSIS

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Applicant/Agent:	Stix and Stones Homes						
Acreage:	2.73 acres						
Existing Land Use:	Vacant	Vacant					
Surrounding Properties:	North: R-75 East: R-75 South: R-75 West: MR-2 and R-75						
Comprehensive Plan:	Suburban (SUB) Consi	istent X Inconsistent					

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SITE INFORMATION

LOCATION:

1484 COLUMBIA DR ADDRESS: DECATUR, GA LAND LOT: DISTRICT: 15TH COUNTY: DEKALB CURRENT ZONING: R - 60 PROPOSED ZONING: R - 60 SITE AREA: 121,750 SF (2.794 ACRES)

OVERALL SITE REQUIREMENTS:

MAX DWELLING UNITS PER ACRE DWELLING UNITS PROVIDED MAXIMUM LOTCOVERAGE 73,050 SF (60%) 42,612 SF (35%) LOTCOVERAGE PROVIDED

PROPOSED BUILDING SETBACKS:

FRONT YARD (COLUMBIA DRIVE): NONE FRONT YARD (ALLEY) NONE INTERIOR SIDE YARD (MIN.) NONE REAR YARD: NONE

COTTAGE SIZE

SF DETACHED - COTTAGE (MIN.): 800 SF 3,500 SF SF LOTS - CURRENTLY MAXIMUM BUILDING HEIGHT: 22' - 0''

<u>PARKING</u>

PARKING REQUIRED: 1 PER UNIT (.25 GUEST) COMMON PARKING PROVIDED: GUEST PARKING PROVIDED: TOTAL SPACES PROVIDED:

OPEN ENHANCED SPACE

OPEN SPACE REQUIRED 24,350 OPEN SPACE PROVIDED 27,316

SITE INFORMATION
1/4" = 1'-0"

STREET TREES N/F PR @ 30FT O.C N/F PROPERTY OF **BRITTNE** SFR ATL OWNER 3, L.P. ● 31"PINE N/F PROPERTY OF VALERIE ANDERSON N/F PROPERTY OF DEED BOOK 21737 / PAGE 321 CUYLER BEALL
DEED BOOK 27303 / PAGE 761 **DUMPSTER W/ ENLOSURE** LOT 16 4063 SF **ON-LOT PARKING** ENHANCED OPEN SPACE (GUEST) N/F PROPERTY OF ROSALYN SCOTT STORMWATER DISCHARGE LOCATION **MAIL PAVILLION** PARALLEL PARKING COMMON PARKING 6 7 8 6' LANDSCAPE STRIP COMMUNITY PAVILLION STREET LIGHT POLES @ 80FT O.C SECURITY GATE TURNAROUND N/F PROPERTY OF RHA 1, LLC **SECURITY GATE** DEED BOOK 24064 / PAGE 394 5' LANDSCAPE STRIP DEED BOOK 22059 / PAGE 717 995. $\vdash PRO$ N/F PROPERTY OF DEED BC **COMMUNITY FIREPIT** MONUMENTAL **NUTHMAN ENTRANCE SIGN** PROPERTIES, LLC (8'- 5" x 1'- 6") -| DEED BOOK 27607 / PAGE 569 6' HIGH FENCE A200 10' SIDEWALK STREET TREES 20' LANDSCAPE @ 50' O.C. STREET LIGHT/ POLES O.C TED 0 - Site Plan - 3500 SF LOT R-60 Zoning -1 REV 02 1" = 30'-0"

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DWELLINGS PER ACRE: DWELLING UNITS PROVIDED: **20 TOTAL (7.3 PER** LOT COVERAGE (35% * 121,750): 42, 613 SF

PROPOSED BUILDING SETBACKS:

FRONT YARD (COLUMBIA DRIVE): 20' - 0" (EXISTING) FRONT YARD (ALLEY) 7' - 0" (EXISTING) INTERIOR SIDE YARD (MIN.) 3' - 0" (7'-6" EXISTING) 10' - 0" (30' - 0" REAR YARD: existinĠ)

COTTAGE SIZE

SF DETACHED - COTTAGE (MIN.): 800 SF 3,500 SF SF LOTS - CURRENTLY 35' - 0'' BUILDING HEIGHT:

<u>PARKING</u>

PARKING REQUIRED: 2 PER UNIT (41 TOTAL) COMMON PARKING PROVIDED: ON-LOT PARKING PROVIDED: TOTAL SPACES PROVIDED:

SITE INFORMATION 1/4" = 1'-0"

COMPLIANCE WITH DISTRICT STANDARDS (SINGLE FAMILY COTTAGE):

R-60 S	STANDARD	REQUIRED/ALLOWED	PROPOSED	
MIN. LOT AREA MIN. LOT WIDTH		6000 SF	3,500 SF	
		NONE	VARIES	
MIN. LOT WIDTH – NEW CORNER LOT		NONE	VARIES	
CKS	FRONT	20 feet		
MIN. YARD SETBACKS	CORNER LOT - SIDE	20 feet	3 feet	
. YARD	INTERIOR LOT - SIDE	7.5 feet	3 feet	
Σ	REAR	30 feet	10 feet	
MAX.	HEIGHT	1.5 stories	1.5 stories	
MIN.	FLOOR AREA OF	800-1,200 SF	800-1,200 SF	
PARKI	ING	2 spaces per dwelling unit (40)	t (40) (41) Provided	
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AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 27 OF THE CODE OF DEKALB COUNTY, GEORGIA, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners is authorized to exercise zoning powers to protect and promote the County's health, safety, and general welfare; and;

WHEREAS, single-family cottage developments can encourage a stronger sense of community, promote stronger variety of housing choice and encourage affordability;

WHEREAS, the County desires to encourage the development of cottage housing by amending the regulations around cottage housing; and

WHEREAS, cottage style development can represent a valuable housing tool to promote more efficient use of existing residentially zoned land for infill development, capture contemporary innovative housing design at smaller sizes than currently permitted, and potentially reduce home construction costs.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Governing Authority of DeKalb County, Georgia, and be it hereby ordained by the Authority of same, that Chapter 27 of the Code of DeKalb County, as revised 1988, is hereby amended as follows.

PART I. ENACTMENT

By amending Section 2.2.1, Table 2.2; Section 2.11.2, Table 2.4; Section 2.18.3, Table 2.17; Section 4.1.3, Table 4.1; Section 5.7.5; Section 5.7.9; Section 6.1.4, Table 6.2; and Section 9.1.3 of Chapter 27, of the Code of DeKalb County, as revised 1988, as follows:

Sec. 2.2.1. Dimensional requirements.

Dimensional requirements, such as overall site requirements, individual lot dimensions, and setbacks for residential zoning districts are established in Table 2.2, "Residential Zoning Districts Dimensional Requirements." Residential infill development may also be subject to compatibility regulations as specified in sections 5.2.3 and 5.2.4.

Table 2.2 Residential Zoning Districts Dimensional Requirements

Residential Single-Family Zoning Districts

KEY:

Housing Types: SF: Single-Family, TF: Two-Family, TRF: Three-Family, MF: Multi-Family Character Areas: RC: Regional Center, TC: Town Center, NC: Neighborhood Center, SUB: Suburban

Element	RE	RLG	R-100	R-85	R-75	R-60	MHP	RNC*			
Lot Dimensions (minimum)											
Lot area (square feet)	43,560 (1 acre)	20,000	15,000	12,000	10,000	6,000	Parks: 20 acres Lots: 4,000	*			
Unit Size,	heated li	ving area	(minim	um)							
Unit size (square feet)	2,000	2,000	2,000	1,800	1,600	1,200/350 cottage	N/A	*			

^{*} See division 10 of this article

Sec. 2.11.2. - Dimensional requirements.

Dimensional requirements, including overall site requirements, individual lot dimensions, setbacks, and heights for Medium and High Density Residential Zoning Districts, are provided in Table 2.4, "Medium and High Density Residential Zoning Districts Dimensional Requirements." In addition, compatibility and transitional buffers as defined and required in article 5 may apply.

Table 2.4 Medium and High-Density Residential Zoning Districts Dimensional Requirements.

Medium and High Density Residential									
KEY: Housing Types: SFD: Single-Family Detached, SF MU: Mixed-Use, U-SF: Urban Single-Family Character Areas: RC: Regional Center, TC: Town SUB: Suburban	,	, ,		•					
Elements	RSM	MR-1	MR-2	HR-1	HR-2 and HR-3				

Overall Site Requirements (minimum, unless otherwise specified)									
Dwelling units per acre (maximum base density and maximum possible with bonuses)	4-8	8—12	12—24	24—40	HR-2: 40— 60 HR-3: 60— 120				
Lot Requirements (minimum, unless otherwise	e specified)								
Single-Family Detached Conventional (SFD)**									
Lot area (square feet)	5,000	5,000	5,000	Not permitted	Not permitted				
Lot width, street frontage (feet)	50/20 detached townhome	45/20 detached townhome	40/20 detached townhome	Not permitted	Not permitted				
Unit Size, heated living area (square feet, minimum)									
Single-Family Detached (SFD)- Cottage	350	350	350	Not permitted	Not permitted				

Sec. 2.18.3. Mixed-Use dimensional requirements.

Dimensional requirements including overall site requirements, individual lot dimensions, setbacks, and heights for Mixed-Use Districts are provided in Table 2.17, "Mixed-Use Zoning Districts Dimensional Requirements." Compatibility rules and transitional buffers as defined and required in article 5 may apply.

Table 2.17 Mixed-Use Zoning Districts Dimensional Requirements.

Mixed-Use Districts										
KEY:										
Development Types: SFD: Single-Family Detached, SFA: Single-Family Attached, TTF:										
Two/Three-Family, MF: Multi-	Family, U-SF: U	rban Single-Fam	ily, MU: Mixed-	Use, CM:						
Commercial, OF: Office										
Character Areas: SUB: Suburba	n, TN: Tradition	al Neighborhood	l, NC: Neighborh	nood Center,						
TC: Town Center, RC: Regiona	l Center									
Element	MU-1	MU-2	MU-3	MU-4 and						
				MU-5						
Overall Site Requirements (m	inimum, unless	otherwise speci	fied)							
Dwelling units per acre (with	4—8	8—12	12—24	MU-4=24—						
bonus)				40;						

				MU-5=40— 60							
Individual Lot Dimensions by Residential Type (minimum, unless specified)											
Single-Family Detached (SI	FD) **										
Lot area (square feet)	3,500	3,500	3,500	Not permitted							
Lot width (feet)	35	35	35	16							
Unit Size, heated living are	Unit Size, heated living area (minimum, unless specified)										
Single-Family Detached	1,200 / 350	1,200 / 350	1,200 / 350	Not permitted							
(square feet)	cottage	cottage	cottage								

^{**} SFD Cottage type exempt; see article 5 for standards

Sec. 4.1.3. Use table.

:	P - Permitt	P - Permitted use											
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	Pa - Permit	ted as an acce	ssory use										
	RE	RLG	R-100	R-85	R-75	R-60	RSI	и	MR-1	MR-2	HR-1,2,3	МНР	RNC
IDENTIAL													
ellings													
velling, cottage home						P	P		P	P			P
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KEY:													
KEY:	SA - Specia	al administrative	permit from I	Director of Plann	ing								
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KEY:			-		c-2	OD	м	M-2	MU-1	MU-2	MU-3	MU-4,5	See Secti
	SP - Specia	I land use perm	it from BoC (S	LUP)		OD	M	M-2	MU-1	MU-2	MU-3	MU-4,5	
Use	SP - Specia	I land use perm	it from BoC (S	LUP)		OD	м	M-2	MU-1	MU-2	MU-3	MU-4,5	

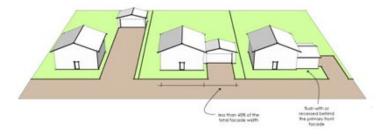
Section 27-5.7.5. – Detached houses.

- A. This section shall apply to the following housing types:
 - 1. *Conventional single-family detached.* A development with one (1) dwelling unit per lot of record with private yards on all four (4) sides.
 - 2. *Urban single-family detached*. A development with single-family detached dwelling units located on small lots. Urban single-family (Urban-SF) residential buildings share similar configurations to townhouse developments; however, they are detached and may have lot lines that coincide with the building envelope, provided that a yard area is provided in the dimensions required by the zoning district.
- B. Dimensional and use requirements. Minimum lot size, width, and setbacks shall meet the dimensional requirements set forth for the applicable base zoning district in article 2.

C. Orientation.

- 1. Lots along the perimeter of a development of single family detached residences shall be oriented so that dwellings front internal local streets instead of a thoroughfare. Lots with rear yards abutting a thoroughfare shall provide a ten-foot no access easement and: a twenty-foot landscape strip, a six-foot-high decorative fence, or a five-foot-high landscaped berm to screen the rear view of houses from the thoroughfare.
- 2. Street frontage requirements in section 14-258 of the Code shall not apply to individual lots within an urban type residential development provided the overall site complies with minimum street frontage requirements and an alley or private drive provides access directly to a public street.
- D. Each dwelling unit shall be metered for water individually.
- E. An easement for water and sewer shall be required and subject to the approval of the watershed division of the public works department.
- F. Access driveway, internal private drive and alley standards.
 - 1. Urban residences shall have vehicular access from the rear of the property from an alley or similar private drive, or may have an off-street parking area located on the side or rear of the development. Such parking area may not occupy more than thirty (30) feet of frontage and be located no more than two hundred (200) feet from the unit's entrance. The alley shall be at least twenty (20) feet in width and meet the standards of International Fire Code (IFC) 503, unless another width is approved by the director for one-way direction only.
 - 2. Single-family detached residences may share a driveway serving two (2) lots, provided that the width of the driveway at the street shall not exceed the width requirements established in chapter 14 of the Code, and that the driveway width not increase for the first ten (10) feet of drive.
- G. Urban single-family dwellings may gain access through private drives that meet the standards of section 5.6.7C.4.
- H. Driveways shall not exceed ten (10) feet between garage door and sidewalk.
- I. Conventional, single-family, detached residences shall follow the size requirements set forth in article 2.
- J. Architectural variability.
 - 1. Residential subdivisions of three (3) or more lots intended for conventional single-family detached residences shall include distinctly different front façade designs within each phase of the development. "Distinctly different" shall mean that each front façade must differ from adjacent buildings' front façades in at least four (4) of the following six (6) ways:
 - a. The use of different primary exterior materials;
 - b. Variation in the width or height of the front façade by four (4) feet or more;

- c. Variation of the type, placement or size of windows and doors on the front façades;
- d. Variations in rooflines, including the use of dormers and changes in the orientation of rooflines;
- e. Variation in the location and proportion of front porches; and
- f. Variation in the location or proportion of garages and garage doors.
- 2. No conventional single-family detached residence shall be of the same front façade design as any other conventional single-family detached residence along the same block face within eight (8) lots of the subject residence. Mirror images of the same configuration are not permitted on the same block face.
- 3. No single front façade design may be used for more than twenty-five (25) percent of the total units of any single phase of a conventional single-family detached residence subdivision.
- 4. This subsection shall not apply to single family cottage homes.
- K. Porches and stoops. Any porch shall have minimum dimensions of four (4) feet by eight (8) feet for porches, and any stop shall have minimum dimensions of and four (4) feet by four (4) feet. Porches and stoops shall be no closer than two (2) feet from a utility easement.
- L. Façades. Any conventional single-family detached residence with a front façade width of forty (40) feet or more shall incorporate wall offsets in the form of projections or recesses in the front façade plane. Wall offsets shall have a minimum depth or projection of two (2) feet so that no single wall plane exceeds twenty-five (25) feet in width.
- M. Roof and overhangs. Conventional single-family detached residences shall incorporate the following standards:
 - 1. Roofs covering the main body of the structure shall be symmetrical gables, hip-style, or mono-pitch (shed) style.
 - 2. Mono-pitch roofs shall have a minimum pitch of 4:12, and all other roofs covering the main body of a detached house shall have a minimum roof pitch of 6:12.
 - 3. Overhanging eaves shall extend at least twelve (12) inches beyond the exterior wall.
 - 4. To the maximum extent practicable, all roof vents, pipes, antennas, satellite dishes, and other roof penetrations and equipment (except chimneys) shall be located on the rear façades or configured to have a minimal visual impact as seen from an adjacent street.
- N. Garages. The following standards shall apply:
 - 1. Street-facing garage façades shall not comprise more than forty-five (45) percent of the total width of the conventional single family detached residence's front façade. Street-facing garages shall be at least two (2) feet behind the primary front façade plane of a conventional single-family detached residence.



Acceptable garage configurations

O. Clubhouse/pool amenity areas, greens, playgrounds, pocket parks, neighborhood parks, or detention facilities designed to serve as amenities shall meet dimensional requirements in the base zoning district (article 2) and the standards of article 5, division 5, open space standards.

Section 27-5.7.9. – Single-Family, Cottage Development.

- A. The purpose of single-family, cottage development design is to:
 - 1. Encourage a stronger sense of community and security among nearby neighbors, while preserving personal privacy;
 - 2. Promote a variety of housing choices to meet the needs of a population diverse in age, income, household composition and individual needs; especially small households (one to three-person households);
 - 3. Encourage affordability, innovation and variety in housing design and site development while ensuring compatibility with surrounding land uses;
 - 4. Encourage the creation of more usable open space for residents of the development through flexibility in density and lot standards;
 - 5. Maximize resident- and pedestrian-oriented outdoor spaces, and minimize impact of automobile traffic and parking.
- B. This section shall apply to this specific housing development style: cottage development (also referred to as a "single-family, cottage development"). A development with small, single-family, detached dwelling units that are one (1), one and one-half (1.5) and/or two (2) stories arranged whereby they are clustered around an enhanced open space with a mandatory homeowners' association that maintains the common shared space and other common elements.

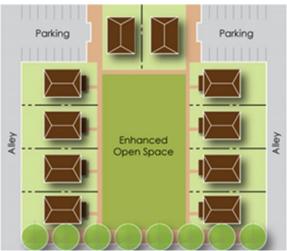


Figure 5.7.9A

- C. Use Restrictions. Cottage homes shall be owner-occupied only. Multi-family dwelling units (including duplexes, triplexes, etc.) and short-term rental services are not permissible in this living arrangement. Accessory dwelling units are not permitted.
- D. Development Standards.
 - 1. Development Arrangement shall consist of one of two forms (no mixing):
 - a. A development with each proposed dwelling unit on an individual lot; or
 - b. A development with multiple dwelling units on a single lot with a condominium ownership arrangement.
 - 2. Individual lots or building sites within the cottage development are exempt from the base zoning district standards for lot area, lot width, setbacks, and lot coverage. However, lot area, lot width, setbacks, and lot coverage apply to the overall cottage development parcel. A minimum of 20% of total site area shall be reserved for open space. Maximum lot coverage for the total cottage development shall not exceed 60%. Dwelling units oriented toward the common open space area shall provide a five-foot minimum setback from the common area. Such setback does not count toward any required common area.
 - 3. Nothing herein shall preclude the combination of multiple, contiguous lots to achieve the minimum required lot area. The minimum total lot area required for a cottage development is determined by calculating the cumulative lot area required by the base zoning district for the number of dwelling units to be constructed and reducing the result by 50%. For example, 4 cottage dwelling units under RSM zoning (minimum 5,000sf lot area) equals a minimum total lot area of 10,000sf ((4 x 5,000sf) x 0.50 = 10,000sf).
 - 4. A cottage development shall consist of a minimum of four (4) and no more than thirty (30) dwelling units. Within the aforementioned range, the maximum number of dwelling units per acre shall be determined by the future land use character area and any applicable bonus density.

- 5. Cottage unit size shall be no less than 350 square feet and shall not exceed twelve hundred (1,200) square feet, heated living area.
- 6. Separation distance between buildings shall be no less than ten (10) feet. However, this distance may be decreased to six (6) feet if the enhanced open space is increased by an equivalent or greater amount.
- 7. Single-family cottage lots or home sites shall be oriented toward the enhanced open space or a street. Street frontage requirements of Section 14-258 of the *Land Development Code* (*Chapter 14*) shall not apply to individual lots within a cottage development provided the overall site complies with minimum street frontage requirements and an alley or private drive provides access from parking area(s) directly to a public street.
- F. Required off-street parking may be provided on individual lots for each dwelling unit within the cottage development or in a shared parking area serving multiple dwellings on-site. Parking shall not be located between principal structures and the street, or within any common open space area. Single-family, cottages shall have vehicular access from the rear of the property from an alley or similar private drive or may have an off-street parking area located on the side or rear of the development. Such parking area may not occupy more than thirty (30) feet of frontage and be located no more than two hundred (200) feet from the unit's entrance. Use of alleys, subject to applicable fire code requirements, is encouraged.
- G. Porches. Any porch shall have minimum dimensions of four (4) feet by eight (8) feet for porches, and any stoop shall have minimum dimensions of and four (4) feet by four (4) feet. Porches and stoops shall be no closer than two (2) feet from a utility easement.
 - 1. Additional Porch Requirements on single-family, cottages:
 - a. Location. Every dwelling shall have a covered entry porch oriented toward the common open space or street. This porch shall be open on at least two sides and shall not be enclosed. Screened-in porches are acceptable. Back and side, wrap porches allowed and encouraged.
 - b. Size. The covered porch shall be greater than 70 square feet in area, with a minimum of dimension of 6 feet in depth.
 - i. Exception: Dwellings less than 700 square feet in size may have a porch greater than 50 square feet in area and 5 feet minimum dimension.
- H. Façades. Any residence with a front façade width of twenty-five (25) feet or more shall incorporate wall offsets in the form of projections or recesses in the front façade plane. Wall offsets shall have a minimum depth or projection of at least two (2) feet.
 - 1. Street-Facing Facades. All street-facing facades of dwellings shall avoid blank walls and include a porch with one or more of the following elements, features, or treatments:

- a. Windows (including bay windows) or other fenestration;
- b. Dormers;
- c. Changes in exterior material or paint color;
- d. Building modulation/articulation with a depth measuring at least one foot; or
- e. Entry enhancements (e.g., multi-panel door).

I. Central enhanced open space.

- a. Single-family, cottages shall be clustered around an enhanced open space green that is a minimum of three thousand (3,000) square feet or four hundred (400) square feet per cottage served by the enhanced open space, whichever is greater.
- b. The enhanced open space green shall have a minimum dimension of twenty (20) feet on each side.
- c. At least two (2) sides of the enhanced open space green shall have cottages along its perimeter.
- d. Accessory structures, serving all residents in the cottage development, may be included in the required area. No more than 30% of the common enhanced open space area shall be impervious.
- e. Parking areas, yard setbacks, spaces between buildings of 15 feet or less in width, private open space, and driveways do not qualify as common open space.
- f. Proximity to Enhanced Open Space. At least 75 percent of the dwelling units of a cottage development shall abut an enhanced common open space; and all of the dwelling units shall be within sixty (60) feet walking distance (measured from the nearest entrance of the dwelling along the shortest safe walking route to the nearest point of the common open space).
- g. Cottage lots or homesites shall be planted with a minimum of one (1) new 2.5" caliper canopy tree or alternatively three (3) understory trees.

J. Additional Cottage Development Elements:

- 1. Community Buildings and Elements.
 - a. Every cottage development shall contain at least two of the following elements (under common ownership):
 - i. Barbeque grill, pizza oven, or outdoor terrace;
 - ii. Picnic table(s) and/or shelter;
 - iii. Community building (built in residential form);
 - iv. Kitchen garden, flower garden, or productive urban landscape; or
 - v. Other community element as approved by Director of Planning.
- 2. Fences. Fences are not required, but if installed, then the following requirements shall apply:
 - a. Fence height requirements:
 - i. Front yard: maximum 24-inch height

- ii. Side yard: maximum 36-inch height when located from property line to face of dwelling, and maximum 72 inches (6 feet) behind the face of dwelling for open slat fences only;
- iii. Rear yard: maximum 72 inches for open slat fences only
- iv. Street Facing: maximum 36-inch height.
- b. Permitted materials include: wood, metal (excluding chain link), vinyl, or fiberglass.
- c. Hedges shall be limited to the same height requirements as subsection K2a above.
- 3. Pedestrian Network. Cottage developments shall provide a network of pedestrian pathways, including sidewalks along at least one side of streets, mid-block walkways, and shared local streets and access alleyways. Connections to the wider neighborhood shall be made where appropriate and required. All such pathways shall be accessible by the general public, except that walkways into and through the cottage development clusters may be limited to residents and their guests.
- K. Maintenance. The applicant shall demonstrate to the County, based upon review by the planning director, that there will be a suitable legally binding system in place, such as homeowner or condominium association agreements; conservation easement; deed restrictions; or an equivalent form, to ensure proper maintenance and funding of shared facilities, such as storm water facilities and detention ponds, shared parking areas, common open spaces, alleys and other improvements.
- L. Lighting. All developments shall comply with Section 5.6.1 (Outdoor lighting).
- M. For any provisions not captured in this section, then Sec. 5.7.5 shall apply.

Table 6.2: Off-street Parking Ratios

	Minimum and Maximum Parking Spaces								
	Residential								
Use	Minimum Parking Spaces Required	Maximum Parking Spaces Allowed							
Detached single- family dwelling	Two (2) spaces per dwelling unit.	Four (4) spaces per dwelling unit.							
Single-Family cottage dwellings	One (1) space per dwelling unit, plus one-quarter (0.25) space per dwelling unit to accommodate guest parking.	Two (2) spaces per dwelling unit, plus one-quarter (0.25) space per dwelling unit to accommodate guest parking.							

Sec. 9.1.3. Definitions.

Dwelling unit, single-family, cottage: a detached dwelling unit that is one (1) to two (2) stories (not to exceed twenty-two (22) feet) in height; no greater than 1,200 square feet; and arranged or clustered around a commonly shared open space.

Productive Urban Landscape: is a landscape that integrates some elements of traditional landscaping (like organized planting patterns and areas to sit, eat, and play), and creatively incorporates elements of the natural world (like biodiversity, pollinator habitats, etc.), and plants that provide us with food (like vegetables, berries, and fruit trees).

PART II. EFFECTIVE DATE

This ordinance shall become effective immediately on the date of adoption by the board of commissioners and approval by the chief executive officer.

PART III. SEVERABILITY

Should any section or provision of this ordinance be declared by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid or unconstitutional, such decision shall not affect the validity of the ordinance as a whole nor any part thereof other than the part so declared to be invalid or unconstitutional. All ordinances or resolutions, or parts thereof, in conflict with this ordinance are repealed.

ADOPTED	by	the	DeKalb	County	Board	of	Commissioners,	this	_day of
		, 2	2023.						

ROBERT J. PATRICK

Presiding Officer

Board of Commissioners DeKalb County, Georgia

APPROVED by the Chief Ex., 2023.	xecutive Officer of DeKalb County, thisday of
	MICHAEL L. THURMOND Chief Executive Officer DeKalb County, Georgia
ATTEST:	
BARBARA SANDERS-NORWOOD, C Clerk to the Board of Commissioners and Chief Executive Officer DeKalb County, Georgia	
APPROVED AS TO FORM:	APPROVED AS TO SUBSTANCE:
VIVIANE H. ERNSTES County Attorney	CEDRIC G. HUDSON Interim Planning & Sustainability Director

1 Perimeter Lot Compatibility—For a subdivision with 20 or more units, the *Zoning Code* requires that lots on the perimeter of the site must be at least 80% as wide and deep as adjacent abutting lots. Site plan does not indicate compliance.

Unit count has been reduced to (16) units.

- 2. Access Comments—Transportation Department reviewed and has the following comments: "Columbia Drive is classified as a minor arterial. Requires a 40-foot ROW dedication from centerline or such that all public infrastructure is within ROW, whichever greater. Requires a 10-foot shared path, 5- foot landscape strip between path and back of curb, and streetlights. Please note that private roads must be constructed to public road standards. They should be 24 feet wide instead of 20 feet wide. I am concerned that people will park along the road and not in the designated parking spots due to distance from spots to lots 2-9. Add no parking signs on both sides of the interior street from Columbia Drive to end of Lot 17. No parking allowed on Columbia Drive. Needs a spot for turnaround at the security gate if vehicles are not allowed to enter. They cannot back into Columbia Drive should entrance be denied."
 - A 40' ROW dedication has been provided from the centerline of Columbia drive.
 - A 10' sidewalk has been provided along Columbia Drive ROW
 - The interior private road width has been increased in width to 24.'
 - Developer will install no parking signs along interior road from security gate entrance to the end of the dumpster enclosure (NOTE: Conditions should be modified to include language restricting on-street parking in this location)
 - Developer has revised entry drive to include a turnaround for vehicles denied entry to the community.
- 3. Internal Access—Private drives must provide a 10-foot-wide easement on both sides of the private drive, but this has not been provided. A 5-foot-wide sidewalk and a 5-foot-wide landscape strip is required along both sides of private drive.
 - The Amended ordinance adopted 12/11/2023 does not require the 10' foot wide easement on both sides of the private drive.
 - A 5' wide sidewalk and a 6' wide landscape has been provided at all locations along the private drive.
- 4. Parking Lot Perimeter Landscaping 5-foot-wide perimeter parking landscape strip is required but not provided.
 - A 10-foot-wide perimeter parking landscape strip has been provided along all interior parking spaces.
- 5. A 6-foot-wide landscape strip is required along internal drives, and only a 5-foot-wide landscape strip is provided.
 - A 6' wide landscape has been provided along the interior sidewalks along all interior drive.

- 6. Show compliance with front, side, and rear building setback requirements off proposed internal drive.
 - The amended ordinance adopted 12/11/2023 Section 27-5.7.9 D 2 exempts minimum lot width, setbacks and lot coverage.
- 7. Show compliance with front building setback requirements off Columbia Drive.
 - The amended ordinance adopted 12/11/2023 Section 27-5.7.9 D 2 exempts minimum lot width, setbacks, and lot coverage.
- 8. Cottage lot orientation—Lots 16 and 17 required to front along courtyard green
 - Lots 16 and 17 have been deleted.
- 9. Clarify amount of open space provided.
 - Open Space Required (Section 27-5.7.9 D 2) is 24,350
 - Open Space Provided is 27,316
- 10. Provide light poles along Columbia Drive for every 80 feet on center
 - Light poles have been provided along Columbia at 80' OC.
- 11. A ten-foot-wide no-access e a sement and 20-foot-wide landscape strip with decorative fence required along Columbia Drive frontage.
 - A 10' no access easement and 20' foot wide landscape easement has been provided along Columbia Drive
- 12. Need continuous internal sidewalk along north side of Lots 10-15 to provide a complete pedestrian circulation from any given unit.
 - Internal 5' sidewalk has been provided along lots 10-15.

- (1) The location of the stormwater mgt facility (i.e., to address the requirements of sec.14.40, not just water quality) must be shown. Note: Stormwater mgt facility must be at least 20' from the property line.
 - In accordance with The Amended ordinance adopted 12/11/2023 Section 27-5.7.5 O an Underground Detention facility will be located below the Enhanced Open Space and designed to also serve as a green space and include neighborhood amenities.
- (2) The discharge location from the stormwater management facility must be shown. Notes: (1) discharge point must be at least 25' from the property line, (2) The stormwater mgt facility should not be discharged towards neighbors' house/backyards unless the proposed drainage system is extended through the downstream lots to an adequate outfall. Discharging the additional volume of runoff from the proposed development through downstream lots (no matter the discharge rate/how long it takes, that additional volume will be discharged), will adversely impact those downstream properties/lots. Compliance with Sec. 14-40(d)(1) ("A combination of storage and controlled release of stormwater runoff shall be required for all development and construction for the entire site which meets one (1) or more of the criteria in section 14-40(b)") must be addressed. (3) The County codes require the pre-development conditions to be modeled as wooded.
 - Stormwater will be released on lot 1520 Columbia Circle parcel 15 186 04 006 as shown on revised site plan.
- (3) Based on the current/existing topography, the site points to two receiving/study points (see screenshot below). However, on the proposed conceptual plan, there is only one location indicated as "water quality pond". If you will have one location of the stormwater mgt facility, you will need to explain/confirm: (1) that you will be changing the current drainage pattern by grading the site or designing your storm pipes network to achieve all runoff to be directed to the northeast comer so that no runoff is to be expected at the southeast comer in the post-development condition OR (2) how the stormwater management requirements will be addressed at the study point in the southeast comer considering all the proposed impervious compared to the pre-development conditions.
 - See above stormwater release point, 1520 Columbia Circle
- (4) Also, please indicate how RRv will be addressed. Runoff Reduction Volume shall be provided unless technical justification is provided regarding the unfeasibility. Strongly recommend investigating the site and identifying location where RRv can be provided, and redesigning/revising the layout to comply with the RRv requirement.
 - RRv will be addressed by the installation of Flow-Well systems to all gutters and downspouts of each unit.

Z-23-1246648 (2023-1143) – Deferral Request:

From: Cecil Francis < stixandstonesgeorgia@gmail.com>

Sent: Wednesday, October 18, 2023 11:53 AM **To:** Reid, John < <u>ireid@dekalbcountyga.gov</u>>

Subject: Re: 1484 Columbia Dr

Yes. I will request a two-cycle deferral.

From: Reid, John < <u>ireid@dekalbcountyga.gov</u>>
Sent: Wednesday, October 18, 2023 11:53 AM
To: Cecil Francis < <u>stixandstonesgeorgia@gmail.com</u>

Subject: Re: renderings for 1484 Columbia Dr

Regarding deferral request, technically this item still has to be heard by the Planning Commission and Board of Commissioners since the item has already been legally advertised in newspaper. However, if you email me a request for deferral, Planning Department can recommend to the Planning Commission that this item be deferred for two cycles (they can't defer for less time than that due to public notification requirements) and most of the time the Planning Commission and Board of Commissioners will comply with the deferral request. Were you going to request deferral? I believe planning dept is leaning toward two or three-cycle deferral.

From: Cecil Francis < stixandstonesgeorgia@gmail.com>

Sent: Thursday, October 12, 2023 8:59 PM
To: Reid, John < <u>ireid@dekalbcountyga.gov</u>>
Subject: Re: renderings for 1484 Columbia Dr

John:

After speaking with the Belvedere Park community, we are considering requesting a deferral of our presentation to the Planning Commission. Can you explain if that is possible at this stage of the process? The neighborhood has expressed an interest in hearing our proposal again and may recommend revisions to our request. Please advise.

Thanks



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NOTE: PLEASE RETURN ALL COMMENTS VIA EMAIL TO EXPEDITE THE PROCESS TO JOHN REID ireid@dekalbcountyga.gov AND/OR LASONDRA HILL lahill@dekalbcountyga.gov

COMMENTS FORM: PUBLIC WORKS TRAFFIC ENGINEERING

Case No.: <u>CZ-23-1246630</u> Address: <u>1484 + 1520</u> Columbia	Parcel I.D. #s:	18-186	04-008
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COMMENTS: No traffic enginee	eane Con	cems at	this time.
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Board of Health

10/16/2023

To: Mr. John Reid, Senior Planner

From: Ryan Cira, Director, Division of Environmental Health Cc: Alan Gaines, Environmental Health Deputy Director

Re: Rezone Application Review

General Comments:

DeKalb County Health Regulations prohibit use of on-site sewage disposal systems for

- multiple dwellings
- food service establishments
- hotels and motels
- commercial laundries
- funeral homes
- schools
- nursing care facilities
- personal care homes with more than six (6) clients
- child or adult day care facilities with more than six (6) clients
- residential facilities containing food service establishments

If proposal will use on-site sewage disposal, please contact the Land Use Section (404) 508-7900.

Any proposal which will alter wastewater flow to an on-site sewage disposal system, must be reviewed by this office prior to construction.

This office must approve any proposed food service operation or swimming pool prior to starting construction.

Public health recommends the inclusion of sidewalks to continue a preexisting sidewalk network or begin a new sidewalk network. Sidewalks can provide safe and convenient pedestrian access to a community-oriented facility and access to adjacent facilities and neighborhoods.

For a public transportation route, there shall be a 5ft. sidewalk with a buffer between the sidewalk and the road. There shall be enough space next to the sidewalk for bus shelter's concrete pad installation.

Since DeKalb County is classified as a Zone 1 radon county, this office recommends the use of radon resistant construction.

DEKALB COUNTY

Board of Health

N1-2023-1142

CZ-23-1246630 / 15-186-04-029

1484 and 1520 Columbia Drive, Decatur, GA 30032

- See review general comments.
- Septic indicated on several surrounding properties.

N2-2023-1143

Z-23-1246648 /15-163-01-008

4822 Covington Hwy, Decatur, GA 30035

- Please review general comments.

N3-2023-1146

SLUP-23-1246650 / 18-062--03-001

1726 Church Street, Decatur, GA 30033

- Please review general comments.
- Septic indicated on surrounding properties.

N4-2023-1147

Z-23-1246652 / 16-193-04-004, 16-193-04-005

8070 and 8080 Rockbridge Road, Stone Mountain, GA 30087

- Septic 1000 gallons indicated on 8070 Rockbridge Road, installed on 03/17/1981.
- Please review general comments.



Government Services Center 178 Sams Street Decatur, GA 30030 www.dekalbcountyga.gov/planning 404-371-2155 (o); 404-371-4556 (f)

Chief Executive Officer
Michael Thurmond

DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING & SUSTAINABILITY

Interim Director Cedric Hudson

OCTOBER 2023 ZONING COMMENTS

- 1. N-1. 1484 and 1520 Columbia Drive. Columbia Drive is classified as a minor arterial. Requires a 40-foot ROW dedication from centerline or such that all public infrastructure is within ROW, whichever greater. Requires a 10-foot shared path, 5-foot landscape strip between path and back of curb, and streetlights required. Please note that private roads must be constructed to public road standards. They should be 24 feet wide instead of 20 feet wide. I am concerned that people will park along the road and not in the designated parking spots due to distance from spots to lots 2-9. Add no Parking signs on both sides of the interior street from Columbia Drive to end of Lot 17. No parking allowed on Columbia Drive. Needs a spot for turnaround at the security gate if vehicles are not allowed to enter. They cannot back into Columbia Drive should entrance be denied.
- 2. N-2 4822 Covington Hwy. Covington Hwy is SR 12. GDOT review and permits required. Covington Hwy is classified as a major arterial. ROW dedication of 50 feet from center line or such that all public infrastructure is within ROW, whichever greater. Requires a 10-foot shared path, 5-foot landscape strip between back of curb and path, streetlights required. Required to upgrade traffic signal to provide pedestrian facilities. GDOT signal permit required.
- 3. N-3. 1726 Church St. Scott Blvd is SR 8 and requires GDOT review and approval prior to permitting. Scott Blvd is classified as a major arterial. Requires: Requires a 50-foot ROW dedication from centerline or such that all public infrastructure is within ROW, whichever greater. A 10-foot shared path, 5-foot landscape strip between back of curb and path, streetlights required. No access allowed directly to Scott Blvd. Church Street is classified at a minor arterial. Requires a 40-foot ROW dedication from centerline or such that all public infrastructure is within ROW, whichever greater. A 10-foot shared path, 5-foot landscape strip between back of curb and path, streetlights required. One right in right out access only along Church Street- prefer no access. Connector street is classified as local. Requires a 27.5-foot ROW dedication from centerline or such that all public infrastructure is within ROW, whichever greater. Requires 5-foot landscape strip between back of curb and sidewalk, 6-foot sidewalk, streetlights required.
- 4. N-4 & N-5 8070 and 8080 Rockbridge Rd. Rockbridge Road is SR 124. GDOT review and permitting required. Rockbridge Rd is classified as a major arterial. Requires: Requires a 50-foot ROW dedication from centerline or such that all public infrastructure is within ROW, whichever greater. A 10-foot shared use path, 5-foot landscape strip between back of curb and path, streetlights required. Design entrance as a typical right in/right out for driver clarity. South Rockbridge Road is a minor arterial. Requires a 40-foot ROW dedication from centerline or such that all public infrastructure is within ROW, whichever greater. A 10-foot shared path, 5-foot landscape strip between back of curb and path, streetlights required.
- **5. N-6. 2179 Bouldercrest Rd.** Bouldercrest Rd is a classified as a major arterial. Requires a 50-foot ROW dedication from centerline or such that all public infrastructure is within ROW, whichever greater. Requires a 10-foot shared path, add curb and gutter, 5-foot landscape strip between back of curb and path, and streetlights. Verify that each driveway meets minimum intersection and stopping sight distance per AASHTO.
- **6.** N-7. 1716 Pleasant Hill Trails and Various Pleasant Hill Road Major Mod Pleasant Hill Trail is a local road and must be improved as part of this development's frontage. Requires a 27.5-foot ROW dedication from centerline or such that all public infrastructure is within ROW, whichever greater. From the centerline- the road must be improved to be 12 feet wide with curb and gutter, 5-foot landscape strip and a 5-foot sidewalk, streetlights required. Pleasant Hill Road is classified as a minor arterial. Requires a 40-foot ROW dedication

from centerline or such that all public infrastructure is within ROW, whichever greater. From the centerline-the road must be improved to be 12 feet wide with curb and gutter, 10-foot shared path, 5-foot landscape strip between path and back of curb, streetlights required. Both access points must meet minimum sight distance requirements per AASHTO for intersection and stopping sight distance. Pleasant Hill Road has a speed limit of 45 mph. A variance is needed for minimum number of access points per section 14-200 (5) of the land development code. For the Transportation Division to support the variance, a full intersection design with left turn lanes and right turn lanes will be required at Providence Point Dr and the new road. Consider adding traffic calming measures on interior streets to determine driveway placement. (Hard to retrofit townhome communities with traffic calming.) Assuming interior streets will be private based on plan provided. Private streets must be built to public road standards.

- 7. N-8. & N-9. 2536 Snapfinger Rd. I-20 Overlay District Tier 3. Overlay standards take precedent- where silent the zoning and then the land development standards are applied. Snapfinger Road is classified as a major arterial. ROW dedication of 50 feet from center line of Snapfinger Rd or such that all public infrastructure is within ROW, whichever greater. Follow the infrastructure requirements of the overlay district, but at a minimum: The public roads to the east and north require a right of way dedication of 27.5 feet from centerline, five-foot landscape strip from back of curb, 5-foot sidewalk and street lighting.
- **8. N-10. 2569 & 73 Dusty Lane.** Dusty Lane is classified as a local road. Required to dedicate 27.5 feet of right of way from centerline or such that all public infrastructure is within right of way, whichever greater. Requires five-foot landscape strip from back of curb to sidewalk, five-foot sidewalk and pedestrian lighting.
- **9.** N-11 & N-12. 3823 N Druid SLUP. Eliminate one curb cut on North Druid Hills Rd. North Druid Hills Rd is classified as a major arterial. ROW dedication of 50 feet from center line or such that all public infrastructure is within ROW, whichever greater. Requires a 10-foot shared path, 5-foot landscape strip between back of curb and path, streetlights required. Provide necessary driveway easements/ROW for the Birch Road at North Druid Hills Rd Intersection project. Coordinate with PW- Transportation on easement/ROW.
- **10.** N-13. 4381 Covington Hwy. Covington Hwy is SR 12. GDOT review and permits required. Covington Hwy is classified as a major arterial. ROW dedication of 50 feet from center line or such that all public infrastructure is within ROW, whichever greater. Requires a 10-foot shared path, 5-foot landscape strip between back of curb and path, streetlights required.
- 11. N-14. No Comment.

DeKalb County School District Development Review Comments

Submitted to: **DeKalb County** Case #: Z-23-12466630

Parcel #: 15-186-04-028/-029

Analysis Date:

10/3/2023

Name of Development: 1520/1484 Columbia Dr

East side of Columbia Drive, north of Columbia Circle Location:

Description: Rezoning request to allow for development of 20 cottege single-family detached cottages.

Impact of Development: When fully constructed, this development would be expected to generate 3 students: 1 at Peachcrest

Elementary School, 0 at Bethune Middle School, 0 at Towers High School, 2 at other DCSD schools,

Private

and 0 at private school. All three neighborhood schools have capacity for additional students.

	Peachcrest Elementary	Bethune Middle	J	Other DCSD	Private	
Current Condition of Schools	School	School	School	Schools	Schools	Total
Capacity	984	1,290	1,302			
Portables	0	0	0			
Enrollment (Oct. 2022)	658	704	757			
Seats Available	326	586	545			
Utilization (%)	66.9%	54.6%	58.1%			
New students from development	1	0	0	2	0	3
New Enrollment	659	704	757	1		
New Seats Available	325	586	545			
New Utilization	67.0%	54.6%	58.1%			

Attend other

DCSD

Yield Rates		School	School	School	Total
Elementary		0.0167	0.0682	0.0127	0.0977
Middle		0.0099	0.0122	0.0000	0.0221
High		0.0027	0.0202	0.0040	0.0269
Total		0.0294	0.1006	0.0167	0.1467
Student Calculations					
Proposed Units	20)			
Unit Type	SI	F			
Cluster	Towers Hiç	gh School			
		Attend	Attend other		
		Home	DCSD	Private	
Units x Yield		School	School	School	Total
Elementary		0.33	1.36	0.25	1.94
Middle		0.20	0.24	0.00	0.44
High		0.05	0.40	0.08	0.53
Total		0.58	2.00	0.33	2.91
		Attend	Attend other		
		Home	DCSD	Private	
Anticipated Students		School	School	School	Total
Peachcrest Elementary School		1	1	0	2
Bethune Middle School		0	0	0	0
Towers High School		0	1	0	1

Attend

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DEKALB COUNTY GOVERNMENT PLANNING DEPARTMENT DISTRIBUTION FORM

NOTE: PLEASE RETURN ALL COMMENTS VIA EMAIL TO EXPEDITE THE PROCESS TO JOHN REID ireid@dekalbcountyga.gov AND/OR LASONDRA HILL lahill@dekalbcountyga.gov

Recommend denial

The following areas belowmay warrant comments from the Development Division. Please respond accordingly as the issues relate to the proposed request and the site plan enclosed as it relates to Chapter 14. You may address applicable disciplines.

DEVELOPMENT ANALYSIS:

- Transportation/Access/Row
 - (1) The internal street(s) must be at least 24' for the travel lanes (2 x 12') and have a R/W of 55
 - (2) 12 units/lots do not have garage; therefore at least 12 x 2 = 24 parking spaces are required. Concept plan only shows 19. Also, parking spaces shall be close to units/lots. It doesn't make sense to expect onwer of lots 1 thru 9 and 19, 20 to park where the spaces in the northwest corners are

• Storm Water Management

- (1) the location of the stormwater mgt facility (i.e. to address the requirements of sec.14.40, not just water quality) must be shown. Note: Stormwater mgt facility must be at least 20' from the property line
- (2) The discharge location from the stormwater management facility must be shown. Notes: (1) discharge point must be at least 25' from the property line, (2) the stormwater mgt facility should not be discharged towards neighbors' house/backyards unless the proposed drainage system is extended through the downstream lots to an adequate outfall. Discharging the additional volume of runoff from the proposed development through downstream lots (no matter the discharge rate/how long it takes, that additional volume will be discharged), will adversely impact those downstream properties/lots. Compliance with Sec. 14-40(d)(1) ("A combination of storage and controlled release of stormwater runoff shall be required for all development and construction for the entire site which meets one (1) or more of the criteria in section 14-40(b)") must be addressed. (3) The County codes require the pre-development conditions to be modeled as wooded.
- (3) Based on the current/existing topography, the site points to two receiving/study points (see the screenshot below). However, on the proposed conceptual plan, there is only one location indicated as "water quality pond". If you will have one location of the stormwater mgt facility, you will need to explain/confirm: (1) that you will be changing the current drainage pattern by grading the site or designing your storm pipes network to achieve all runoff to be directed to the northeast corner, so that no runoff is to be expected at the southeast corner in the post-development condition OR (2) how the stormwater management requirements will be addressed at the study point in the southeast corner considering all the proposed impervious compared to the pre-development conditions.
- (4) Also, please indicate how RRv will be addressed. Runoff Reduction Volume shall be provided unless technical justification is provided regarding the unfeasibility. Strongly recommend investigating the site and identifying location where RRv can be provided, and redesigning/revising the layout to comply with the RRv requirement.

• Flood Hazard Area/Wetlands

The presence of FEMA Flood Hazard Area was not in the County G.I.S. mapping records for the site; and should be noted in the plans at the time of any land development permit application.

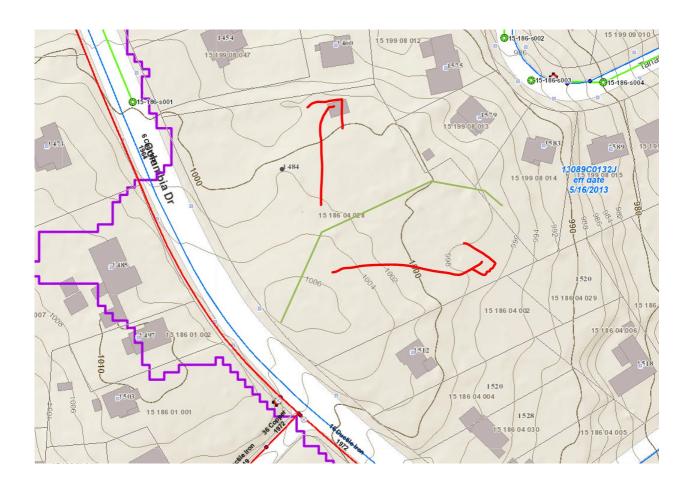
Encroachment of flood hazard areas require compliance with Article IV of Chapter 14 and FEMA floodplain regulations

• Landscaping/Tree Preservation

Landscaping and tree preservation plans for any building, or parking lot must comply with DeKalb County Code of Ordinances 14-39 as well as Chapter 27 Article 5 and are subject to approval from the County Arborist.

Tributary Buffer

State water buffer was not reflected in the G.I.S. records for the site. Typical state waters buffer have a 75' undisturbed stream buffer and land development within the undisturbed creek buffer is prohibited without a variance per DeKalb County Code of Ordinances 14-44.1.





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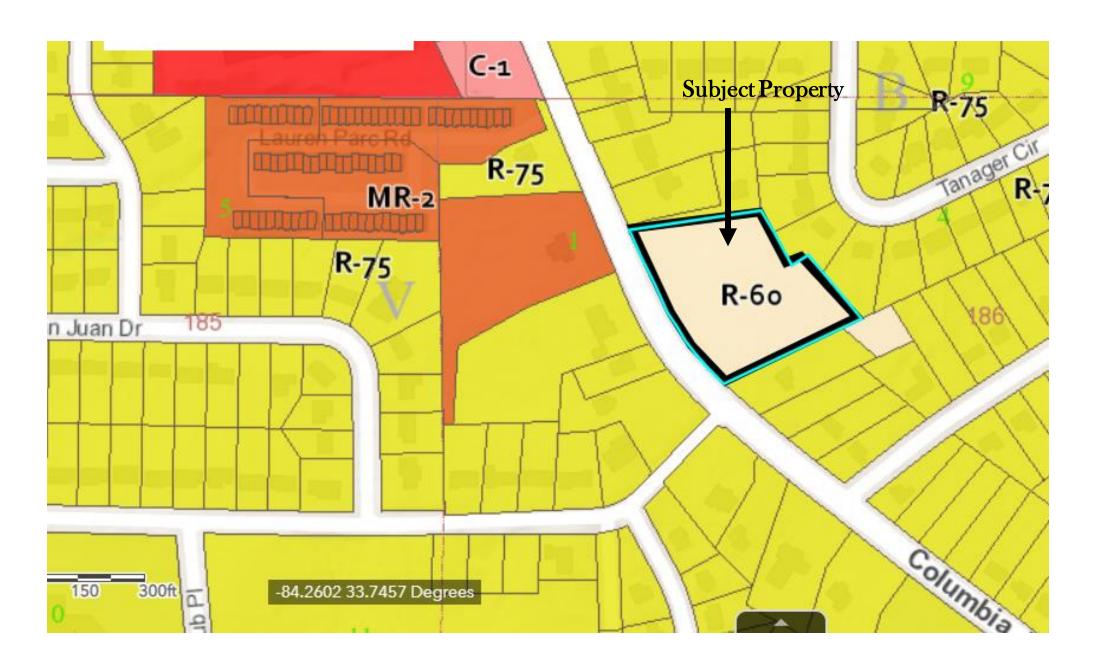
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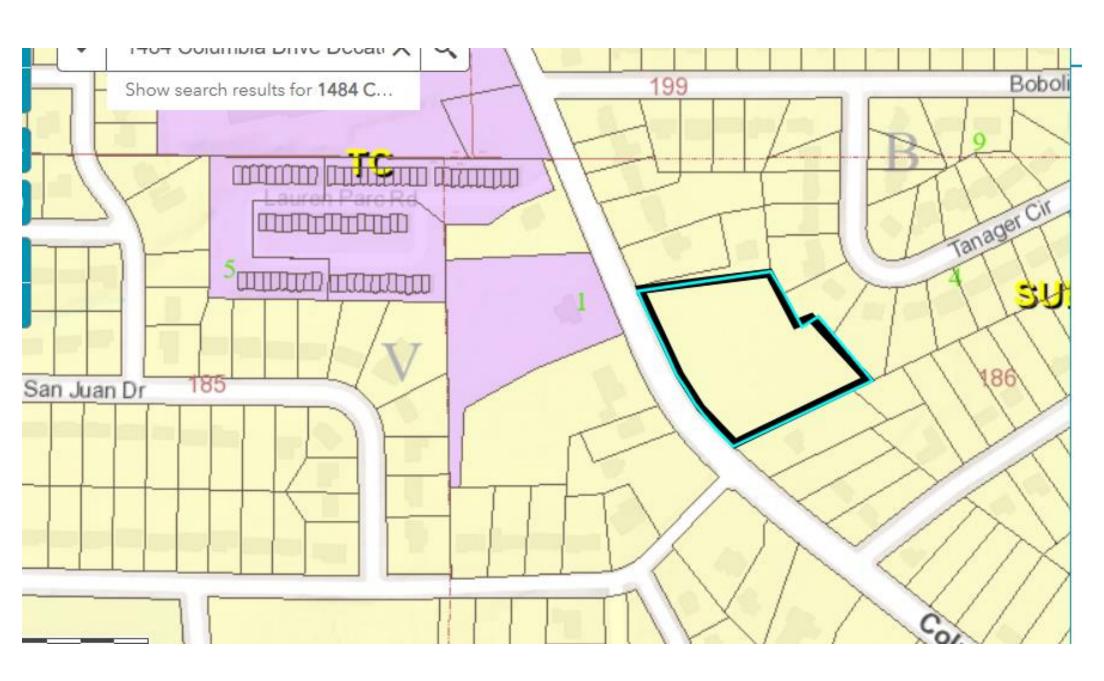
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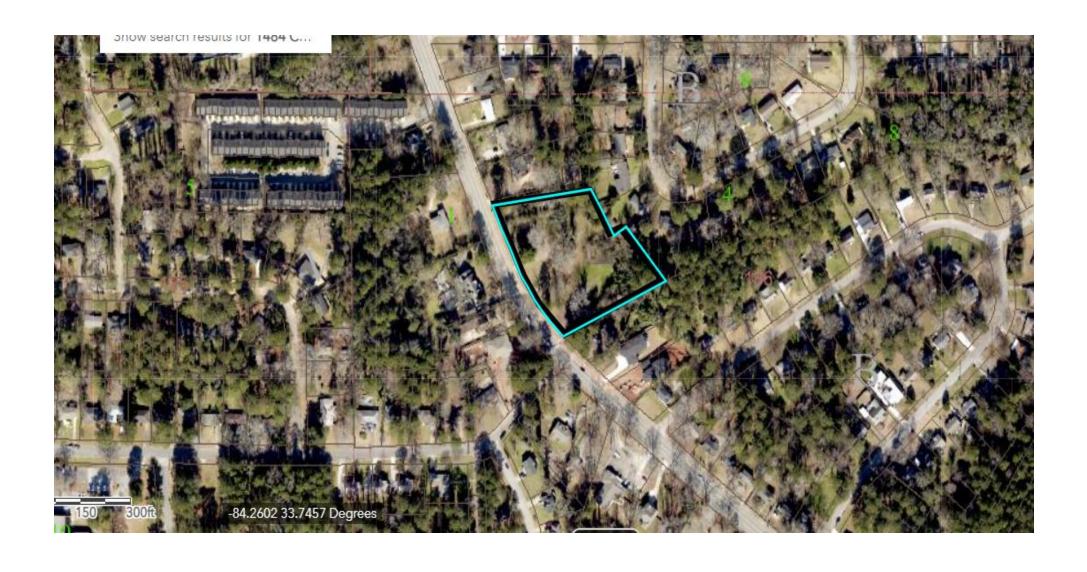
PUBLIC WORKS ROAD AND DRAINAGE

Case No.: CZ-23-1246630	Parcel I.D. #: 15-186-04-028 and 15-186-04-004
Address: 1484 & 1520 Columbia Drive, GA 30032	
Drainage Basin: Cobb Creek	
Upstream Drainage Area: N/A	
Percent of Property in 100-Year Floodplain: 0%	
expected to be minimal since it is in zone X which is o	n) under existing zoning: Flood impact on this property is outside the floodplain and otherwise referred to as Special not expected to be prevalent due to the topographic gradient
Required detention facility(s): Detention/retention per section 14-40 and other relevant code secions of	facilities would be required for stormwater management DeKalb County codes of ordinance as applicable.
COMMENTS:	
No objection to modification to the zoning conditions	s as applicant has requested. A total compliance with the
elevant sections of the County code of ordinance rela	ating to erosion, sedimentation and pollution control is
required. Also, Sec. 14-40 and 14-42 must be complied	ed with.
Signature:	<u> </u>

CZ 23 1246630 ZONING MAP



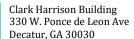






DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING & SUSTAINABILITY

MAJOR MODIFICATION APPLICATION	
Existing Conditional Zoning No.: 1245596	
APPLICANT NAME: Stix & Stones Homes, LLC	
Daytime Phone#: 404-454-6699 Fax #: 678-922-7333 E-mail: stixandstonesgeorgia@gmail.com	
Mailing Address: PO Box 4359 Atlanta GA 30302	
OWNER NAME: Kova Real Estate, LLC one owner, attach contact information for each owner) (If more that	n
Daytime Phone#: 678-598-1964 Fax #: E-mail: _contactchima@gmail.com	
Mailing Address: 3321 Mallard Lake Place Alpharetta GA 30022	
SUBJECT PROPERTY ADDRESS OR LOCATION: 1484 Columbia Drive and 1520 Columbia Drive	
Decatur GA , DeKalb County, GA, 30032	
District(s): 15 Land Lot(s): 186 Block(s): Parcel(s): 15-186-04-028 and 15-186-0	4-02
Acreage or Square Feet: 2.795 Commission District(s): 3 Existing Zoning: R60	
I hereby authorize the staff of the Planning and Development Department to inspect the property that is the subject of this application.	}
Have you, the applicant, made a campaign contribution of \$250.00 or more to a DeKalb County government official with the two year period that precedes the date on which you are filing this application? Yes X No If "yes", see page 4. (Conflict of Interest in Zoning Act, O.C.G.A., Chapter 36-67A)	in
Owner: Agent: X (Check One)	
Signature of Applicant: Cecil Francis	
Printed Name of Applicant: Stix & Stones Homes, LLC Major Modification Application	





Chief Executive Officer
Michael Thurmond

DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING & SUSTAINABILITY

Director Andrew A. Baker, AICP

PRE-APPLICATION FORM REZONE, SPECIAL LAND USE PERMIT, MODIFICATION, AND LAND USE

(Required prior to filing application: signed copy of this form must be submitted at filing)

Applicant Name:Cecil Francis Phone	e: _ 404-454-6699 Email:	
Property Address: 1484 Columbia Drive		
Tax Parcel ID: _15 186 04 028 & 029	Comm. District(s): _3 & 7	Acreage: 2.7 acres
Existing Use: _Vacant land		
Supplemental Regs: _NA	Overlay District:	_DRI:NA
Rezoning : Yes NoX		
Existing Zoning:R-60 with zoning condition	s per case Z-22 1245596 Proj	posed Zoning: _NA
Rezoning Request:		
Land Use Plan Amendment: Yes No _X		
Existing Land Use: _Suburban (SUB) Inconsistent	Proposed Land Use:NA	AConsistent
Special Land Use Permit: Yes No _X	Article Number(s) 27	
Major Modification:		
Existing Case Number(s):Y		
Condition(s) to be modified:		
R-60 with zoning conditions per case 1245596 from 11 to 20 units and change the land use frounits per acre		



DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING & SUSTAINABILITY

WHAT TO KNOW BEFORE YOU FILE YOUR APPLICATION
Pre-submittal Community Meeting:X Review Calendar Dates:X PC: 11/02/23*
BOC: _11/16/23** Letter of Intent: _X Impact Analysis: _X Owner Authorization(s): _X
Campaign Disclosure:X Zoning Conditions: _X Community Council Meeting: _10/04/23
Public Notice, Signs:X_(Applicant must pick up and post and/or will be done by Staff) Tree
Survey, Conservation: Land Disturbance Permit (LDP):X Sketch Plat:X
Bldg. Permits:X Fire Inspection:X Business License:X State License:
Lighting Plan: Tent Permit: Submittal Format: NO STAPLES, NO BINDERS
PLEASE
*Filing Deadline for application to be considered for November 2023 zoning cycle is September 7, 2023.
Last day to hold community meeting with 15 days notice to be considered for November 2023 cycle is
August 30, 2023. If there are more than 20 cases on November 2023 agenda cycle then case would be
heard in January 2024.
Review of Site Plan
Density:X Density Bonuses:X Mix of Uses: Open Space:X
Enhanced Open Space: _X Setbacks: frontX sidesX side corner rearX
Lot Size:X Frontage:X Street Widths:X Landscape Strips:X
Buffers: X Parking Lot Landscaping: X Parking - Auto: X Parking - Bicycle:
X Screening:X Streetscapes:X Sidewalks: _XFencing/Walls:X
Bldg. Height:X Bldg. Orientation: Bldg. Separation: Bldg. Materials: _X Roofs:
_X Fenestration:X Façade Design:X Garages:X Pedestrian Plan:X
Perimeter Landscape Strip:X
Comments: _ Applicant proposes to modify condition #1 of the zoning conditions to increase the number of

units from 11 to 20 and change from singe-family detached conventional to singe-family detached cottage at a

density of 7.3 units per acre, which requires a major modification to zoning conditions application. Applicant will need to indicate on Major Modification application if any other current zoning conditions are proposed to



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be modified. Applicant will need to demonstrate how proposed major modification is compatible with surrounding single-family area. Applicant will need to show compliance with R-60 zoning requirements including but not limited to maximum density with applicable density bonuses, required transitional buffers,					
building materials, maximum building height, etc.					
This only a p	This only a <u>preliminary review</u> and is not a complete list of zoning requirements, a final and complete				
review will b	e done upon official submission of a rezoning application a	nd concept plan.			
Planner:Jol	nn ReidDate07/11/23_				
	Filing Fees				
REZONING:	RE, RLG, R-100, R-85, R-75, R-60, MHP, RSM, MR-1 RNC, MR-2, HR-1, HR-2, HR-3, MU-1, MU-2, MU-3, MU-4, MU-5 OI, OD, OIT, NS, C1, C2, M, M2	\$500.00 \$750.00 \$750.00			
	AP AMENDMENT	\$500.00			
SPECIAL LAN	ID USE PERMIT	\$400.00			

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION LETTER



July 27, 2023

Re: petitioner Stix & Stones Homes, LLC (Cecil Francis)

Subject: Community Meeting Notice, Major Modifications to Zoning Conditions

Dear Neighbor,

You are receiving this notice because you own property within 500 feet of 1484 Columbia Drive (the "Subject Property"). The petitioner is seeking a Major Modification to Zoning Conditions for the construction of 20 cottage style homes.

You are invited to participate in a virtual Community Meeting on Monday August 14, 2023 at 6:00 PM.

Cecil Francis is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Join Zoom Meeting

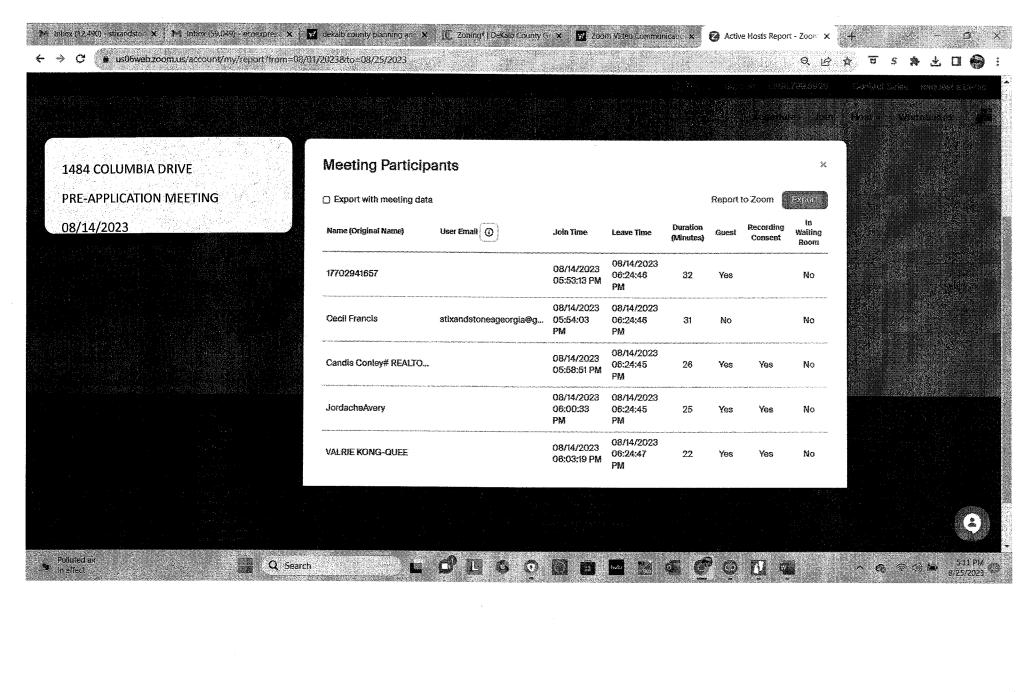
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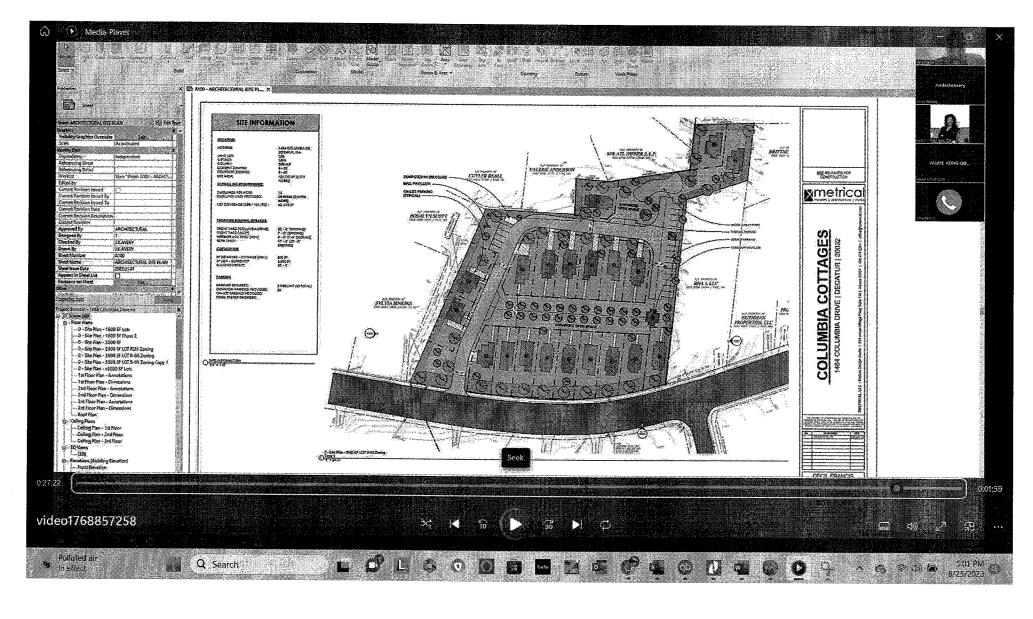
Meeting ID: 832 0215 6299

Passcode: 008137

This application will be presented at the DeKalb County Planning Commission meeting on 11/02/2023 and the Board of Commissioners meeting on November 16, 2023.

Should you have any questions regarding this application, please feel free to contact Cecil Francis at (404) 454-6699.





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3098 LAUREN PARC RD
DECATUR, GA 30032
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FARLEY ROSA M 3199 BOBOLINK DRIVE DECATUR, GA 30032

THOMAS HORACE 3142 BOBOLINK DRIVE DECATUR, GA 30032

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WATSON BETHANY M 1539 COLUMBIA CIRCLE DECATUR, GA 30032 EARL WILLIAM JR 1742 PARKHILL DRIVE DECATUR, GA 30032

BROCKTON PARTNERS LLC 315 W PONCE DE LEON AVENUE STE 700 DECATUR, GA 30030 SAMUELS ROOSEVELT 3148 BOBOLINK DRIVE DECATUR, GA 30032

TRUST JVCL 3745 PREAKNESS DRIVE DECATUR GA 30034 SCOTT ROSALYN 1460 COLUMBIA DRIVE DECATUR, GA 30032

AUGUSTE KHADEJAH 1548 COLUMBIA DRIVE DECATUR, GA 30032

BASS THOMAS 2990 LAUREN PARC ROAD DECATUR, GA 30032

JENKINS SYLVIA 3112 BRIANS CREEK DRIVE SE CONYERS GA 30013

MCCOY STEPHANIE R 1560 COLUMBIA DRIVE DECATUR, GA 30032

SCOTT LAUREN P 3144 SANTA MONICA DRIVE DECATUR GA 30032

HESS RETAIL STORES LLC 539 S MAIN STREET FINDLAY OH 45840

STEPHENSON ALEXANDRIA R 1545 COLUMBIA DRIVE DECATUR, GA 30032

KHA THANH HONG THI 5319 GALLEON XING DECATUR, GA 30035

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AUTHORIZATION

The property owner should complete this form or who will file the application with the County is not page 17/23	a similar signed and notarized form the property owner.	if the individual
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EXHIBIT "A"

ALL THAT TRACT OR PARCEL OF LAND LYING AND BEING IN LAND LOT 186, 15TH DISTRICT, DEKALB COUNTY, GEORGIA, AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: TO FIND THE TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING, BEGIN AT THE INTERSECTION OF THE ORIGINAL EASTERLY RIGHT-OF-WAY OF COLUMBIA DRIVE AND THE SOUTHERLY RIGHT-OF-WAY OF BOBOLINK DRIVE, AND RUNNING THENCE SOUTHERLY ALONG SAID ORIGINAL EASTERLY RIGHT-OF-WAY OF COLUMBIA DRIVE A DISTANCE OF 452.5 FEET TO A POINT; RUNNING THENCE NORTH 79 DEGREES 52 MINUTES 54 SECONDS EAST A DISTANCE OF 1.81 FEET TO A REBAR FOUND ON THE EASTERLY RIGHT-OF-WAY OF COLUMBIA DRIVE (RIGHT-OF-WAY VARIES), BEING THE TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING: FROM SAID TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING RUNNING THENCE NORTH 79 DEGREES 52 MINUTES 54 SECONDS EAST A DISTANCE OF 293.14 FEET TO AN OPEN TOP PIPE FOUND; RUNNING THENCE SOUTH 30 DEGREES 25 MINUTES 39 SECONDS EAST A DISTANCE OF 140.74 FEET TO AN OPEN TOP PIPE FOUND: RUNNING THENCE NORTH 58 DEGREES 44 MINUTES 43 SECONDS EAST A DISTANCE OF 56.17 FEET TO A REBAR FOUND; RUNNING THENCE SOUTH 28 DEGREES 05 MINUTES 20 SECONDS EAST A DISTANCE OF 51.10 FEET TO AN IRON PIN PLACED; RUNNING THENCE SOUTH 41 DEGREES 26 MINUTES 15 SECONDS EAST A DISTANCE OF 130.00 FEET TO A REBAR FOUND; RUNNING THENCE SOUTH 63 DEGREES 18 MINUTES 28 SECONDS WEST A DISTANCE OF 337.27 FEET A REBAR FOUND ON SAID EASTERLY RIGHT-OF-WAY OF COLUMBIA DRIVE: RUNNING THENCE NORTHERLY ALONG SAID RIGHT-OF-WAY ALONG A CURVE TO THE RIGHT AN ARC DISTANCE OF 49.30 FEET (SAID ARC BEING SUBTENDED BY A 49.29 FOOT CHORD BEARING NORTH 46 DEGREES 57 MINUTES 00 SECONDS WEST, WITH A RADIUS OF 1206.73 FEET TO A POINT; RUNNING THENCE NORTHERLY ALONG SAID RIGHT-OF-WAY ALONG A CURVE TO THE RIGHT AN ARC DISTANCE OF 148.93 FEET (SAID ARC BEING SUBTENDED BY A 148.40 FOOT CHORD BEARING NORTH 37 DEGREES 23 MINUTES 37 SECONDS WEST, WITH A RADIUS OF 508.77 FEET) TO A REBAR FOUND; RUNNING THENCE NORTH 29 DEGREES 00 MINUTES 27 SECONDS WEST ALONG SAID RIGHT-OF-WAY A DISTANCE OF 40.49 FEET TO A POINT; RUNNING THENCE NORTHERLY ALONG SAID RIGHT-OF-WAY ALONG A CURVE TO THE RIGHT AN ARC DISTANCE OF 107.17 FEET (SAID ARC BEING SUBTENDED BY A 107.13 FOOT CHORD BEARING NORTH 26 DEGREES 29 MINUTES 22 SECONDS WEST, WITH A RADIUS OF 1219.19 FEET) TO A POINT; RUNNING THENCE NORTH 23 DEGREES 58 MINUTES 16 SECONDS WEST ALONG SAID RIGHT-OF-WAY A DISTANCE OF 56.80 FEET TO A REBAR FOUND, BEING THE TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING: SAID PARCEL BEING SHOWN AS TRACT 'A' AND TRACT 'B' ON, AND CONTAINING A TOTAL OF 2.56 ACRES ACCORDING TO, PLAT OF SURVEY FOR THE CHRISTIAN JUBILEE FULL WORD BAPTIST CHURCH INC., DATED 08/03/09, BY SOLAR LAND SURVEYING COMPANY, JOHN W. STANZILIS, JR., G.R.L.S. NO. 2109 (JOB # 09-02090).

BEING IMPROVED PROPERTY MORE COMMONLY KNOWN AS 1484 COLUMBIA DRIVE, DECATUR, GA 30032; AND BEING THE SAME PROPERTY CONVEYED VIA DEED RECORDED IN DEED BOOK 21733 PAGE 441 DEKALB COUNTY RECORDS

TAX ID: 15-186-04-028

As to 1520R Columbia Circle

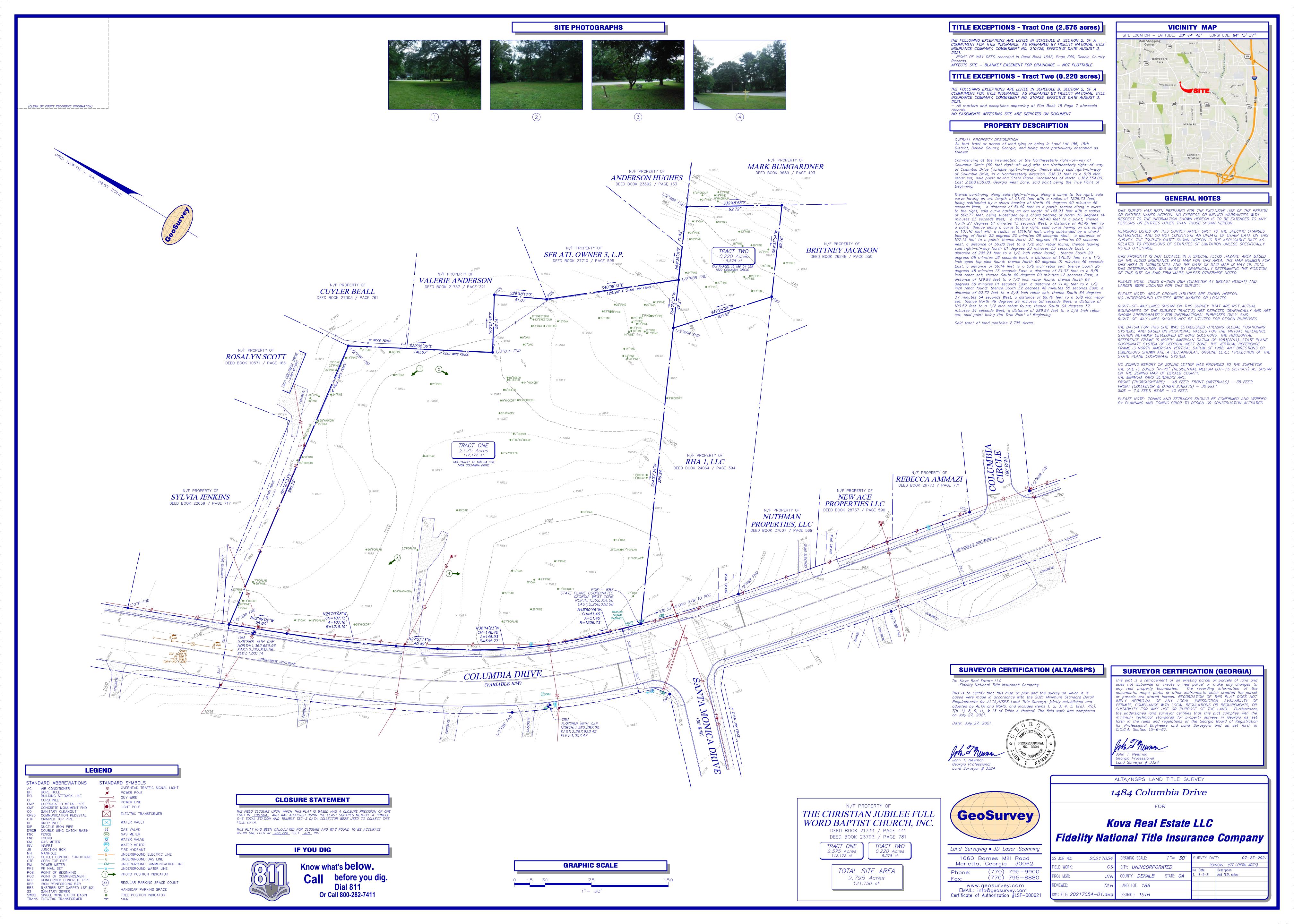
All that tract or parcel of land lying and being in Land Lot 186 of the 15th District of DeKalb County, Georgia, being Lot 4, Block A, Columbia Drive Subdivision Unit No. 2, according to the plat of record at Plat Book 18, Page 7, DeKalb County records, and being more particularly described as follows: BEGINNING at an iron pin on the northwesterly side of North Columbia Circle, 246 feet northeasterly, as measured along the northwesterly side of North Columbia Circle, from its intersection with the northeasterly side of Columbia Drive; running thence northeasterly along the northwesterly side of North Columbia Circle 67 feet to an iron pin; running thence northwesterly 251.7 feet to an iron pin; running thence southwesterly 118.7 feet to an iron pin; running thence southeasterly 100 feet to an iron pin; running thence southeasterly 188.2 feet to the iron pin on the northwesterly side of North Columbia Circle and the point of beginning. LESS AND EXCEPT:

Clerk of Superior Court

All that tract or parcel of land lying and being in Land Lot 186 of the 15th **Detrials County County** Georgia, being part of Lot 4, Block A, Columbia Drive Subdivision Unit No. 2, according to the plat of record at Plat Book 18, Page 7, DeKalb County records, and being more particularly described as follows: BEGINNING at an iron pin on the northwesterly side of North Columbia Circle, 246 feet northeasterly, as measured along the northwesterly side of North Columbia Circle, from its intersection with the northeasterly side of Columbia Drive; running thence northeasterly along the northwesterly side of North Columbia Circle 67 feet to an iron pin; running thence northwesterly 157.51 feet to an iron pin; running thence southwesterly and forming an interior angle of 96 degrees 58 minutes 35 seconds with the last described course, 134.45 feet to an iron pin; running thence southeasterly 188.2 feet to the iron pin on the northwesterly side of North Columbia Circle and the point of beginning. Said less and except being the same property conveyed to Billy R. Oliver by Deed dated 12/7/73 and recorded in Deed Book 3114, Page 514, DeKalb County, Georgia Records

Being improved property more commonly known as 1520 R Columbia Circle Decatur, GA 30032 and being the same property conveyed via deed recorded in Deed Book 23793 Page 784 Dekalb County Records,

Tax ID 15-186-04-029



2022-1477

SUBSTITUTE

RECOMMENDED ZONING CONDITIONS

07-26-2022 (as amended by the BOC)

- 1. The development shall have a maximum of eleven (11), detached, single-family homes. General compliance with the site plan received May 3, 2022, shall be required. The community must establish a homeowners' or property owners' association (HOA or POA) per the *Zoning Ordinance* and *Land Development Code*. The HOA/POA shall limit the number of rental units to 10% of the total homes constructed.
- 2. All home designs shall be consistent with the enclosed color rendering entitled "2021-12-20_11-19-43," including the following building materials: cementitious hardie plank, vinyl glass windows, shingle roofing, metal roofs over porches, stained cedar plank for post beams and gable crosses, and vinyl garage doors, and must comply with the applicable provisions of Article 5 of the *Zoning Ordinance* related to building form and design.
- 3. The developer shall construct at least one, stacked stone, monument, subdivision sign on community property along Columbia Drive (as enclosed). Signage shall comply with applicable sections of the *Sign Ordinance*.
- 4. Signs shall be posted inside the community and at the curb cut on Columbia Drive to indicate that the southernmost driveway is one-way only into the property.
- 5. The approval of this rezoning application by the Board of Commissioners has no bearing on other approvals by the Zoning Board of Appeals or other authority, whose decision should be based on the merits of the application before said authority.

LETTER OF APPLICATION

This application seeks to modify rezoning conditions established for application Z-22-1245496.

The Subject Property was approved for the development of eleven (11), detached single family homes.

The Applicant hopes to redevelop the site with (20) single family cottage-style single family homes on fee simple lots. The development is modeled on the Cottages at Vaughn (www.microlifeinstitute.org) an award winning micro-cottage development in Dekalb County and the City of Clarkston providing small homes arranged around a common areas and green space, the cottages at Vaughn contains 8 micro-units on ½ acre (16 units per-acre). The units' range in size from +/- 260-500 square feet. They are one to one and aa half stories in height and clustered around a central green. They also share a common parking lot.

Stix and Stones Homes, LLC plans to emulate the concept while providing larger single family cottage homes ranging in size from 1100 – 1200 SF. The development proposed will contain 20 cottage-style homes on 2.795 acres (7.3 units per-acre (the "Proposed Development"). Similar to the Cottages at Vaughn, the units will be one to one- and one-half stories in height, clustered around central green space and shared parking lots. A total of (8) units will have driveways that allow off-street parking while the remaining (12) units will have shared parking spaces situated

to the East and West of the site. The design provides connectivity to the shared green space

and community pavilion through sidewalks situated throughout the development.

A Site Plan has been filed with the application, along with other required materials. To the

applicant's knowledge, no other major modification application has been filed concerning the

Subject Property. The subject Property is zoned R60 and designated as "Suburban" on the

County's Future Land Use Map and is convenient to a commercial corridor known as the

Belvedere Shopping District.

Cecil Francis

Respectfully submitted,

Cecil Francis Stix & Stones Homes, LLC PO Box 4359 Atlanta GA 30302 404-454-6699

IMPACT ANALYSIS

A. WHETHER THE ZONING PROPOSAL IS IN CONFORMITY WITH THE POLICY AND INTENT OF THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN.

Dekalb County has adopted the 2035 Comprehensive Plan (the "Plan), which consists of text a text and series of maps. The Future Land Use Map designation for the Subject Property is "Suburban", which is fully consistent and commensurate with the proposed use and fosters a number of general policies and strategies of the County's Comprehensive Plan for the Suburban character area, including:

Traditional Neighborhood Principles – I appropriate locations encourage residential development to conform with traditional principles including a higher mix of uses.

Residential Protection – Protect stable neighborhoods from incompatible development that could alter established single-family residential development patterns and density. Protect single family stable neighborhoods adjacent Activity Centers from incompatible development that could alter established residential development patterns and density.

Infill Development – Enforce residential infill development regulations in efforts to preserve and stabilize existing neighborhoods.

Density – Promote moderate density, traditional neighborhood development style residential subdivisions, which may utilize alley ways and rear vehicular access, as well as automobile dependency.

Street Design – Promote Street design that fosters calming including narrower residential streets, on street parking, and the addition of bicycle and pedestrian facilities.

Nodes – Create neighborhood focal points through the use of existing pocket parks and squares for community activities.

Architecture – Encourage compatible architecture styles that maintain regional and neighborhood character.

In summary, the proposed development serves to implement specific goals, objectives, and policies of the City's Comprehensive Plan. The project at issue represents a consistent use commensurate with other existing uses on adjacent and nearby properties. The proposed use therefore is suitable vis-à-vis the policies of the Comprehensive Plan.

B. WHETHER THE ZONING PROPOSAL WILL PERMIT A USE THAT IS SUITABLE IN VIEW OF THE USE AND DEVELOPMENTOF ADJACENT AND NEARBY PROPERTY OR PROPERTIES.

Yes. The Subject Property sits in transition between (2) single family homes (1512 Columbia Drive and 1460 Columbia Drive). Except for 1473 Columbia Drive, located directly to the north of the Subject Property zoned MR-2, the remaining single-family homes are zoned R75. The existing R60 zoning is consistent with the majority of the R75 zoned parcels that allow for single-family detached housing options. "The Proposed Development offers a housing option that is consistent with the existing homes in size and scope of construction.

The final appearance of this development will include appropriate attention to scale, buffering, setbacks and landscaping so that this development will blend harmoniously with its surroundings. The maximum height of 1.5 stories will prevent the project from overwhelming adjoining homes in scale. The proposed homes will provide an elegant and attractive design that will offer much needed upscale housing stock, at an affordable price, in a community that has experienced rapid home price inflation. Therefore, the requested zoning district is therefore entirely consistent with and suitable in light of the current and future development plans and patterns,

C. WHETHER THE PROPERTY TO BE AFFECTED BY THE ZONING PROPOSAL HAS A REASONABLE ECONOMIC USE AS CURRENTLY ZONED

Yes. The subject property is zoned R60.

D. WHETHER THE ZONING PROPOSAL WILL ADVERSELY AFFECT THE EXISTING USE OR USABILITY OF ADJACENT OR NEARBY PROPERTY PR PROPERTIES.

No. The primary goal of land use planning is to eliminate or minimize the potential adverse effect of the dissimilar uses of adjacent tracts of land by establishing a harmonious transition

between them. The traditional method of achieving this goal is through both "off-site" and "on-site" transition. Off-site transition consists of avoiding the placement of dissimilar uses next to each other by placing uses of intermediate density between them. On-site transition, which might either supplement or replace off-site transition, consist of measures imposed on or adjacent to the more intensive use to protect neighborhoods from adverse effects. Thus, this method of land use planning includes measures such as maintenance of buffers; walls, fences or berms; lighting control; noise control; aesthetic control; limitations on building location and orientation; location of or restrictions upon accessory uses; and prohibition of certain uses or hours of use normally permitted for that district. Many of these devices have been or will be utilized in this application.

Located between attached single family homes and detached homes, the Proposed Development will pay careful attention to scale, buffering, setbacks and landscaping so that it will blend and complement the adjacent developments. Accordingly, approving our request for a modification will not adversely affect the nearby existing uses and will enhance the adjacent properties.

E. WHETHER THERE ARE OTHER EXISTING OR CHANGING CONDITION AFFECTING THE USE AND DEVELOPMENT OF THE PROPERTY WILL GIVE SUPPORTING GROUNDS FOR EITHER APPROVAL OR DISAPPROVAL OF THE ZONING PROPOSAL.

No. The proposal is merely a request to modify the density of homes from (11) single family units to (20) single family cottage units.

F. WHETHER THE ZONING PROPOSAL WILL ADVERSELY AFFECT HISTORIC BUILDINGS, SITES, DISTRICTS OR ARCHAEOLOGICAL RESOURCES.

The Applicant is not aware of any historic buildings, sites, districts, or archeological resources either on the Subject property or located in the immediate vicinity that would suffer adverse impacts from the rezoning requested.

G. WHETHER THE REQUESTED REZONING WILL NOT RESULT IN A USE WHICH WILL OR CLOULD CAUSE EXCESSIVE OR BURDENSOME USE OF EXISTING STREETS, TRANSPORTATION FACILITIES, UTILITIES OR SCHOOLS.

No The proposed development will not overly burden existing streets or transportation facilities. The ITE Trip generation Manual does not have data on this type of cottage-style, urban single family community, which has more single-person occupancy and fewer car counts than a traditional single-family detached neighborhood. Therefore, traditional ITE data is likely overstated. With that said, the ITE data states that sixteen (16) single family detached homes

(ITE category 210) will generate 12.32 trips during the AM peak hour and 16.32 trips during the PM peak hour. As for utilities, the Subject Properties have access to water and sewer. Finally, the proposed development will not create excessive or burdensome use of the community's schools. This type of development is not marketed towards families. Nonetheless, the Subject Property is served by Peachcrest Elementary School, Towers High School and Mary Mcleod Bethune Middle School, all of which are listed at, significantly, below capacity according to the enrollment and capacity data provided on the Dekalb County Schools Operations website.

H. WHETHER THE ONING PROPOSAL ADVERSELY IMPACTS THE ENVIRONMENT OR SURROUNDING NATURAL RESOURCES.

The Applicant will comply with all federal, state and city regulations relating to environmental protection to ensure that the proposed development will not adversely affect the environment.

CONCLUSION

For the foregoing reasons, the Applicant respectfully request that the Rezoning Application at issue be approved. The Applicant also invites and welcomes any comments from Staff or other officials of the County so that recommendations or input might be incorporated as conditions of approval of the Application.

This 24th day of August 2023

Respectfully submitted,

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DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING & SUSTAINABILITY

DISCLOSURE OF CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION

In accordance with the Conflict of Interest in Zoning Act, OCGA Chapter 36-67A, the following questions <u>mus</u> be answered.
Have you, the applicant, made \$250.00 or more in campaign contribution to a local government official within two years immediately preceding the filling of this application?
Yes No*
If the answer is yes, you must file a disclosure report with the governing authority of DeKalb County showing:
1. The name and official position of the local government official to whom the campaign contribution was made.
2. The dollar amount and description of each campaign contribution made during the two years immediately preceding the filing of this application and the date of each such contribution.
The disclosure must be filed within 10 days after the application is first filed and must be submitted to the C.E.O. <u>and</u> to the Board of Commissioners of DeKalb County, 1300 Commerce Drive, Decatur, GA 30030.
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Notary Signature of Applicant / Date
WESLEY BROWNE, JR NOTARY PUBLIC CLAYTON COUNTY, GA State of Georgia State of Georgia Comm. Expires MARCH 3, 2024
Expiration Date/ Seal

^{*}Notary seal not needed if answer is "no".

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AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE DEKALB COUNTY ZONING MAP

AN ORDINANCE TO REZONE PROPERTY FROM R-75 (RESIDENTIAL MEDIUM LOT-75) ZONING DISTRICT TO R-60 (RESIDENTIAL MEDIUM LOT-60) ZONING DISTRICT TO ALLOW AN 11-LOT SUBDIVISION FOR SINGLE-FAMILY DETACHED HOMES. THE PROPERTY IS LOCATED ON THE EAST SIDE OF COLUMBIA DRIVE, APPROXIMATELY 337 FEET NORTH OF COLUMBIA CIRCLE, AT 1484 COLUMBIA DRIVE (A.K.A. 1500 COLUMBIA DRIVE), AND 1520 COLUMBIA CIRCLE, DECATUR, GEORGIA. THE PROPERTY HAS APPROXIMATELY 406 FEET OF FRONTAGE ON COLUMBIA DRIVE (1484 COLUMBIA DRIVE) AN NO FRONTAGE (1520 COLUMBIA CIRCLE) AND CONTAINS 2.73 ACRES.

APPLICANT: Kova Real Estate, LLC

OWNER: Griffin & Davis Consulting, LLC

COMMISSION DISTRICTS: 3 & 7

WHEREAS, Kova Real Estate, LLC has filed an application to amend the DeKalb County Zoning Ordinance to rezone property located at 1484 Columbia Drive (a.k.a. 1500 Columbia Drive), and more particularly described as follows:

All that tract or parcel of land and being in **District 15, Land Lot 186, Block 04, Parcels 028 & 029** of DeKalb County, Georgia, containing 2.73 acres, and

WHEREAS, it appears to the Board of Commissioners that the application meets all of the criteria set forth in the DeKalb County Code, Chapter 27, Article VII, Division 3, Section 27-7.3 for amending the DeKalb County Zoning Ordinance for the subject property from R-75 zoning district to R-60 zoning district.

THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF DEKALB COUNTY, GEORGIA, HEREBY ORDAINS:

Part 1: Pursuant to the authority of the DeKalb County Board of Commissioners to exercise powers of zoning, set forth in Section 27, Article 1.1 and 7.3 of the DeKalb County Zoning Ordinance, an amendment to rezone property from R-75 (Residential Medium Lot-75) zoning district to R-60 (Residential Medium Lot-60) zoning district to allow an 11-lot subdivision for single-family detached homes. The property is located on the east side of Columbia Drive, approximately 337 feet north of Columbia Circle, at 1484 Columbia Drive (a.k.a. 1500 Columbia Drive), and 1520 Columbia Circle, Decatur, Georgia. The property has approximately 406 feet of frontage on Columbia Drive (1484 Columbia Drive) an no frontage (1520 Columbia Circle). The property contains 2.73 acres and is hereby approved, (with conditions).

Part 2: That this amendment is approved conditionally, and under the provisions of Section 27-7.3.9 of the DeKalb County Zoning Ordinance, as identified by the use of the term "Conditional" after the district designation in Part 1 above, the development and use of the above-described property shall be permitted only in compliance with the conditions and/or site plan as attached to this ordinance.

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Part 3: That all ordinances or	parts of ordinances in	n conflict with this ordinanc	e are hereby repealed.
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Part 4: This ordinance, hereby approved, does not authorize the violation of any Zoning District Regulations. District regulation variances can be approved in accordance with Chapter 27, Article VII, Division 5.

ADOPTED by the DeKalb County Board of Commissioners thi	s day of
2022.	
	Robert J. Patrick Presiding Officer Board of Commissioners
	DeKalb County, Georgia
ATTEST:	
Barbara Sanders-Norwood, CCC	
Clerk to the Board of Commissioners and	
Chief Executive Officer	

Z-22-1245596 2022-1477

REQUESTED BY APPLICANT:

Application of Kova Real Estate, LLC to rezone property from R-75 (Residential Medium Lot-75) to R-60 (Residential Medium Lot-60) to allow an 11-lot subdivision for single-family detached homes.

PLANNING AND SUSTAINABILITY DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATION:

Approval with Conditions (updated 7/26/2022).

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- 5. The approval of this rezoning application by the Board of Commissioners has no bearing on other approvals by the Zoning Board of Appeals or other authority, whose decision should be based on the merits of the application before said authority.

PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION:

Full Cycle Deferral 6-0-0. Vivian Moore moved, LaSonya Osler seconded for a Full Cycle Deferral to the July 2022 zoning agenda because the applicant presented a revised site plan at the meeting that has not yet seen by the community.

BOARD of COMMISSIONERS FINAL ACTION:

July 26, 2022, Approved with Staff's recommended five (5) conditions, dated 7/26/2022.

2022-1477

SUBSTITUTE

RECOMMENDED ZONING CONDITIONS

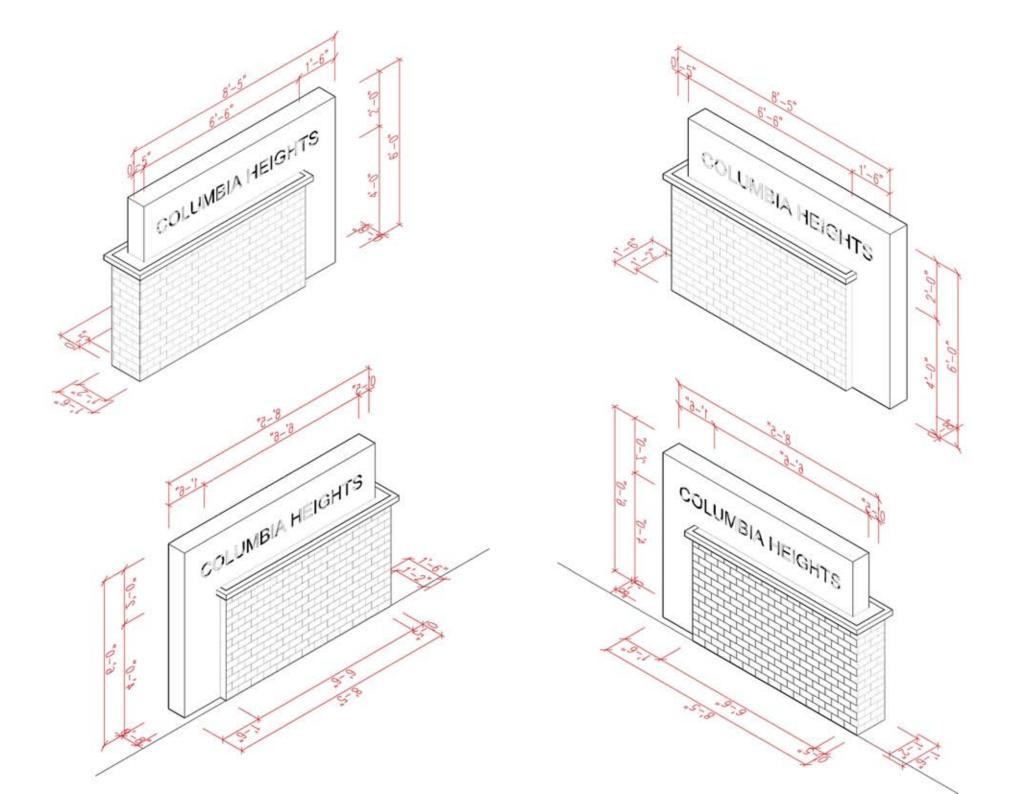
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ents Disabled

- Overall siding will be Cementitious Hardie plank panels and trims
- Vinyl glass windows
- Mostly shingle roofing with metal roof over few porches
- Stained Cedar plank for post beams and gable crosses
- Vinyl garage doors





CONDITIONS

Z-22-1245596

R-75 (Residential Medium Lot-75) to R-60 (Residential Small Lot-60)

- 1. The development shall have a maximum of eleven single-family homes.
- 2. The main driveway shall be redesigned and to force vehicular movements in a right-turn in, right-turn out manner. Striping and signs shall be provided to direct drivers accordingly.

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