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

### **SUBJECT:**

COMMISSION DISTRICT(S): Commission District 04 Super District 06

Application of Marvin Gavins, II to rezone property from R-75 (Residential Medium Lot-75) zoning district and Tier 2 of the Scottdale Overlay district to RSM (Small Lot Residential Mix) zoning district and Tier 1 of the Scottdale Overlay District to allow for the development of a duplex, at 447 Warren Avenue.

PETITION NO: N1-2025-1221 Z-25-1247710

PROPOSED USE: Development of a duplex.

LOCATION: 447 Warren Avenue, Scottdale, Georgia 30079

**PARCEL NO.:** 18 046 04 176

**INFO. CONTACT:** Adam Chappell, Sr. Planner, AICP

**PHONE NUMBER:** 404-371-2155

### **PURPOSE:**

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### **RECOMMENDATION:**

COMMUNITY COUNCIL: (Oct. 2025) Full-cycle deferral.

PLANNING COMMISSION: (November 6, 2025) Pending.

**PLANNING STAFF:** Approval with Conditions.

**STAFF ANALYSIS:** The subject property comprises approximately 7,500 square feet and is vacant at the time of this analysis. The property is located within a Traditional Neighborhood (TN) Character Area, per the DeKalb 2050 Unified Plan. The intent of the TN Character Area is "to preserve the style and appeal of older traditional neighborhood communities. These areas primarily consist of residential areas in older parts of the community that were typically developed prior to World War 2 (WWII). These characteristics include higher pedestrian orientation, sidewalks and more grid-like street patterns. They have on-street parking, small, regular lots, and buildings closer to the front property line..." In terms of land use compatibility, the TN Character Area permits "cottage court developments, accessory housing units, new well-designed, small-scale infill multifamily residences, and other innovative housing types to increase housing choice, income diversity, and limited neighborhood density" (DeKalb 2050 Unified Plan, page 43). The applicant, Marvin Gavins II, proposes rezoning the subject property from the R-75 (Residential Medium Lot-75) Zoning District and Tier 2 of the Scottdale Overlay District to the RSM (Small Lot Residential Mix) Zoning District and Tier 1 of the Scottdale Overlay District to allow for the development of a two-family (duplex) dwelling. Tier 2 of the Scottdale Overlay District covers the approximate area of the Overlay designated as Central Scottdale and Eskimo Heights. Tier 2 notably does not permit two-family dwellings, only permitting single-family detached dwellings at a maximum density of six (6) units per acre by-right. However, the subject property is adjacent to properties to the north and east that are located within Tier 1, covering the North Decatur Road Corridor of the Overlay; Tier 1 specifically allows for higher-density and mixed-uses, including single-family attached townhomes and multifamily dwellings at a density of up to 12 units per acre. The property designated as 3485 Creekview Place to the immediate east is

improved with a multifamily development; the properties designated as 451-460 Warren Avenue to the immediate north are vacant but could theoretically be developed with a higher density townhome or even nonresidential development, provided it met the development standards of Section 3.36.10. of the Zoning Ordinance. While the rest of Warren Avenue to the south of North Decatur Road is developed with a handful of single-family detached dwellings, the proposal to rezone the subject property for a two-family dwelling could be seen as establishing a middle transition zone between areas of lower density to the south and higher density to north – consistent with the goals of the *DeKalb 2050 Unified Plan* (Section 7.3.5. (A)). There is a precedent for such a transition across North Decatur Road at the property designated as 491 Warren Avenue, which, although undeveloped at the time of this analysis, could be developed with a similar two-family dwelling by-right. The original site plan and renderings submitted by the applicant show the proposed dwelling units side-by-side, which Staff does not believe is compatible with the existing character and orientation of other dwellings along Warren Avenue and Tier 2 of the Overlay District. A design that more closely resembles a single-family dwelling, with a second unit entrance in the rear of the structure, would, in the opinion of Staff, provide a proper and more seamless transition from multifamily and attached townhome dwellings to single-family detached dwellings. This modified duplex design, similar to what is common in adjacent municipalities such as the Cities of Atlanta and Decatur, would appear to be suitable in view of the use and development of adjacent and nearby properties (Section 7.3.5. (B)). Staff correspondence with the applicant has indicated a willingness to incorporate a modified design that is more sensitive to existing housing stock along Warren Avenue. In addition, the request to rezone the subject property to the RSM Zoning District - which could be considered "spot zoning" as both properties to the north and south have an underlying zoning of R-75 – has been eliminated. Therefore, upon review of the criteria under Section 7.3.5. of the Zoning Ordinance, the Planning and Sustainability recommends "Approval with the attached conditions".

PLANNING COMMISSION VOTE: (November 6, 2025) Pending.

COMMUNITY COUNCIL VOTE/RECOMMENDATION: (October 2025) Full-cycle deferral 7-1-0.

### Z-25-1247710 (2025-1221) Recommended Conditions 447 Warren Avenue, Scottdale, GA 30079 November 2025

- 1. The subject property shall be rezoned only to Tier 1 of the Scottdale Overlay District and shall maintain its underlying zoning designation of R-75 (Residential Medium Lot-75).
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### Planning Commission Hearing Date: November 6, 2025 Board of Commissioners Hearing Date: November 20, 2025

### STAFF ANALYSIS

CASE NO.:	Z-25-1247710	File ID #: 2025-1221	
Address:	447 Warren Avenue	Commission District: 4 Super District: 6	
Address:	Scottdale, GA 30079	-	
Parcel ID(s):	18-046-04-176		
Request:	Rezone property from R-75 (Residential Medium Lot-75) Zoning District and Tier 2 of the Scottdale Overlay District to RSM (Small Lot Residential Mix) Zoning District and Tier 1 of the		
	Scottdale Overlay to allow for the development of a duplex.		
<b>Property Owner(s):</b>	Marvin Gavins, II		
Applicant/Agent:	Marvin Gavins, II		
Acreage:	0.17 acre		
<b>Existing Land Use:</b>	Vacant		
Adjacent Zoning:	North: R-75/Scottdale Tier 1 East: MR-2/Scottdale Tier 1 South: R-75/Scottdale Tier 2		
	West: R-75/Scottdale Tier 2 (across Warren Avenue)		
Character Area	Traditional Neighborhood (TN)		
<b>Comprehensive Plan:</b>	Consistent X Inconsistent _		

### STAFF RECOMMENDATION: APPROVAL WITH CONDITIONS

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### **Zoning Comments November 2025**

### Z-25-1247710 (2025-1221) 447 Warren Avenue:

Warren Avenue is classified as a local road. Please refer to the requirements in Zoning Code 5.4.3 and Land Development Code 14-190. Requires a right of way dedication of 27.5 feet from the centerline of roadway, all public infrastructure must be within right of way. Requires a 5-foot landscape strip with a 5-foot sidewalk.

### SLUP-25-1247734 (2025-1222) 2050 Lawrenceville Hwy:

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Friday, September 12, 2025

To: Mr. John Reid, Senior Planner

From: Ryan Cira, Director, Division of Environmental Health

Cc: Alan Gaines, Deputy Director, Division of Environmental Health

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 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.

### 9/12/2025

N1-2025-1221	Z-25-1247710		
447 Warren Avenue, Scottdale, GA 30079			
- See general comments			
N2-2025-1222	SLUP-25-1247734		
2050 Lawrenceville Highway, Decatur, Ga 30	0033		
- See general comments			
N3-2025-1223	SLUP-25-1247732		
4144 Memorial Drive, Decatur GA; 3416 Covington Highway, Decatur, 30032			
- See general comments			



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ſhe f	ollowing areas below may warrant comments from the Development Division. Please respond accordingly as the issues relate to the
rop	osed request and the site plan enclosed as it relates to Chapter 14. You may address applicable disciplines.
	ELOPMENT ANALYSIS:
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•	Storm Water Management
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•	Tributary Buffer

Fire Safety			
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## REZONE COMMENTS FORM:

### PUBLIC WORKS ROAD AND DRAINAGE

Case No.:		Parcel I.D. #:	
Drainage Basin:			
Upstream Drainage Area: _			
Percent of Property in 100-	Year Floodplain:		
Impact on property (flood,	erosion, sedimentation) un	der existing zoning:	
COMMENTS:			
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### COMMENTS FORM: PUBLIC WORKS TRAFFIC ENGINEERING

Case No.: Z-25-1247710 (2025-12 Address: 447 Warren Avenue, Scotto	
	Adjacent Roadway (s):
	(classification) (classification)
Capacity (TPD)	Capacity (TPD)
Latest Count (1PD)	Latest Count (TPD)
Hourly Capacity (VPH)	Hourly Canacity (VPH)
Peak Hour. Volume (VPH)	Peak Hour. Volume (VPH)
Existing number of traffic lanes	Existing number of traffic lanes
Existing right of way width	Existing right of way width
Proposed right of way width	Proposed number of traffic lanes Proposed right of way width
average of fifteen (15) vehicle trip end (VTE) per 1, 000 above formula, the square foot place of very peak hour vehicle trip ends.  Single Family residence, on the other hand, would generate factor. Based on the above referenced formula, the units per acres, and the given fact that the project states are t	ffic Engineers (ITE) 6/7th Edition (whichever is applicable), churches generate an square feet of floor area, with an eight (8%) percent peak hour factor. Based on the worship building would generate vehicle trip ends, with approximately rate ten (10) VTE's per day per dwelling unit, with a ten (10%) percent peak hour (Single Family Residential) District designation which allows a maximum of site is approximately acres in land area, daily vehicle trip end, and h residential development of the parcel.
	Signature: lewwht



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### COMMENTS FORM: PUBLIC WORKS WATER AND SEWER

Case No.:	Parcel I.D. #:		
Address:		_	
		_	
WATER:			
Size of existing water main:		(adequate/inadequate)	
Distance from property to nearest main:	Size of line	required, if inadequate:	
SEWER:			
Outfall Servicing Project:			
Is sewer adjacent to property: Yes	No If no, distance to nearest line: _		
Water Treatment Facility:	adequate inadequa	ite	
Sewage Capacity:	(MGPD) Current Flow:	(MGPD)	
COMMENTS:			

Signature:

### **DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING & SUSTAINABILITY**

# Rezoning Application to Amend the Official Zoning Map of DeKalb County, Georgia



To whom it may concern,

I am Marvin Gavins II, and I am the owner of 447 Warren Ave., Scottdale, GA 30079. This property is a vacant land parcel that I am seeking to rezone from Scottdale Overlay District Tier 2 to Scottdale Overlay District Tier 1. I am planning to build a duplex property on this parcel and rezoning this property would allow me to take advantage of this permitted use associated with the Tier 1 Overlay. You have received this notice because the Dekalb County Ga. Rezoning Application Checklist requires that all applicants conduct a publicized pre-submittal community meeting(s) with surrounding neighborhood association(s)/community groups within one-half (1/2) mile of the subject property and adjacent and nearby property owners within five hundred (500) feet of the subject property. I am writing to you to notify you of a Pre-Submittal community meeting scheduled for 7/3/2025 at 5:15 pm. In this meeting I will discuss why I am seeking to rezone this property and hopefully answer any questions that you may have. I look forward from hearing from you and receiving any helpful feedback that you may provide. This will be a virtual Zoom Meeting and the link is below. You contact me at 404-542-9554 or email me at Gavinsengineering@gmail.com if you want to discuss the project prior to the meeting or you need me to email you the Zoom link.

https://us05web.zoom.us/j/9479788804?pwd=B7cAaN95Dorrxy3NTTAEV87Cje1l6e.1&omn=810457003

Sincerely,

Mari Dai I

### Audio file

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### Transcript

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Good afternoon. I am Marvin Gavins and the purpose for the meeting for this meeting this evening is the pre submittal community meeting. The project location is 447 Warren Ave. Scottsdale, Georgia 30079.

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And the date is July the 3th.

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The objectives that we will identify in this.

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Presentation or I will introduce myself.

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I will detail the purpose for this meeting. I will identify the project location. I will specify the building standards. I'll answer the question of why I'm designed to rezone and I open the floor to any questions.

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So this is my background. I am Marvin Gavins junior and I am a graduate of the Georgia Southern University with a Bachelors in civil engineering.

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I've worked in the public and private sector as a civil engineer since 2006.

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And I've had my professional civil engineer license in the state of Georgia since 2013.

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So the purpose for this meeting is I'm seeking to rezone.

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447 Warren Ave. which is located in Scottdale, GA, ZIP code 30079 from Scottsdale Overlay District Tier 2 to Tier 1.

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And per the de Kalb County, Georgia, rezoning application checklist, a pre submittal community meeting must be held with surrounding HOA's within half a mile of the property and adjacent and nearby property owners within 500 feet of the property.

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This is the project location.

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This is the overlay map which is found on DeKalb County's property tax website. As you can see, the pink is overlay District Tier 2 and the adjacent property is Tier 1 which is in the brown.

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This is the existing project location.

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This is a wooded lot with vegetation on it and it has been undeveloped.

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This is the project location, an existing survey.

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This is a 0.172 acre lot, approximately 7500 square feet.

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It had it. The width is 50 feet and the depth is 150 feet. There are currently no impervious areas on the slot.

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This.

00:02:51

Shows the building standards from Chapter 27 of the de Kalb County Muni code.

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And it shows you the differences between Tier 1 and Tier 2. As far as the the size of the House, you can develop the setbacks for the parcel.

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And the maximum height allowed of the building.

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Section 3. Point 36.5, which is specific to Scottsdale overlay it. This tells you all of the permitted uses which are allowed for Tier 1. You can use office and office in the institutional.

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Office distribution, local commercial general commercial light industrial.

00:03:39

Neighborhood shopping. Local commercial.

00:03:42

Medium density residential and mixed-use.

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So why I want to rezone it will allow for me to construct a duplex utilizing the the following MR-1 permitted uses.

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It could follow in the dwelling to family a live work unit, A dwelling with single family attached. It allows for me to reduce the building setbacks. It allows for me to increase the maximum allowable lock con.

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Which?

00:04:13

It also allows me to build a taller building if need be, and it promotes the mission of DeKalb County, Georgia, which is blight removal, economic development and affordable housing development with the potential to partner with the Housing Authority of DeKalb County.

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And this is a conceptual plan that I've created and I hope this shows y'all the vision that I have for this parcel.

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I'll open the floor up to any questions and I'll leave my contact information on the background.

00:05:29

Does anyone have any questions?

00:05:48

With that being said, I appreciate everybody's time. Thank you.



August 20, 2025

DeKalb County Dept. of Planning & Sustainability

1300 Commerce Drive

Decatur, GA 30030

Dear DeKalb County Planning Staff and Commissioners:

We are submitting this application to rezone the property at 447 Warren Ave., Scottdale, GA 30079 from Scottdale Overlay District Tier 2 to Scottdale Overlay District Tier 1. Rezoning to the Tier 1 Overlay would allow me to take advantage of the permitted uses of the RSM (Single-Family Attached) zoning classification and develop a duplex residence. This rezoning request is consistent with DeKalb County's updated zoning policies, which encourage more diverse and efficient housing types, such as multi-family housing, to address the growing need for affordable and accessible housing options.

The current use of the property is a lot of vacant land. By rezoning the property to RSM (Single-Family Attached), we are responding to DeKalb County's need for more diverse housing options. The proposed duplex development will complement the adjacent existing multi-family housing, such as the apartment townhome subdivision "Creekview", which is behind the subject property and the vacant land lot at 451 Warren Ave. that is currently in the Tier 1 Overlay District. This development offers the most beneficial use of a lot of land of this size.

The following are the characteristics of the proposed use:

Number of units: 2

Building Footprint Area – 40 t. x 43 ft. – 1720 sf (Total)

Building Footprint Area – 20 ft. x 43 ft. – 860 sf (Each Unit)

Building Area – 4200 sf (Enclosed heated area – Total)

Building Area – 2100 sf (Enclosed heated are – Each Unit)

Building Height – 35 ft. (Max.)

We believe that the proposed development will provide a valuable housing option for DeKalb County and will contribute positively to the local community. I look forward to further discussions and I am willing to provide any requested information. Please contact me at 404-746-7226 or at <a href="majorins@dot.ga.gov">majorins@dot.ga.gov</a>.

Sincerely,





### **IMPACT ANALYSIS**

447 Warren Ave., Scottdale, GA 30079

### **Summary of Proposed Project**

The proposed use of the site is the new construction of a single-family attached (duplex) residence. The zoning of this location will need to be rezoned from Scottdale Overlay District Tier 2 to Scottdale Overlay District Tier 1, to take advantage of the permitted uses of the RSM Zoning.

### **Ingress and Egress**

a. Is the zoning proposal in conformity with the policy and intent of the Comprehensive Plan?

The zoning proposal is in conformity with the policy and the intent of the Comprehensive Plan in the following ways:

- 1. To preserve, protect and enhance the existing character of the Scottdale Community. This project would enhance the existing character of the Scottdale Community by converting a wooded lot into a modern new construction residence, assisting to deter the blight on the street.
- To encourage new development that is appropriate to the existing character of the Scottdale Community. This project will encourage new development on Warren Ave., encouraging other vacant landowners to construct along the road.
- 3. To encourage mixed-use developments along appropriate corridors which have sufficient access and infrastructure to support such developments. The adjacent properties are zoned as mixed-use and this will continue to encourage mixed-use development along the North Decatur corridor.

- b. Will the zoning proposal permit a use that is suitable in view of the use and development of adjacent and nearby properties?
  - The adjacent properties are zoned as mixed-use, and this will continue to encourage mixed-use development along the North Decatur corridor.
- c. Does the property to be affected by the zoning proposal have a reasonable economic use as currently zoned?
  - Yes, as currently zoned a single-family residence can be constructed, but that would not be maximizing the potential use of this property and would not encourage mixed-use development.
- d. Will the zoning proposal adversely affect the existing use of usability of adjacent or nearby properties?
  - The zoning proposal will not adversely affect the adjacent properties. One adjacent property is a vacant land lot within Tier 1 and the property to the rear are existing apartment buildings within Tier 1 and the other adjacent property is an existing single-family residence.
- e. Are there other existing or changing conditions affecting the use and development of the property which give supporting grounds for either approval or disapproval of the zoning proposal?
  - The are no other known existing or changing conditions affecting the use and development of the property.
- f. Will the zoning proposal adversely affect historic building, sites, districts, or archaeological resources?
  - The zoning proposal will not adversely affect historic building, sites, districts, or archaeological resources.
- g. Will the zoning proposal result in a use which would or could cause excessive or burdensome use of existing streets, transportation facilities, utilities, or schools? The zoning proposal will not result in a use which would or could cause excessive or burdensome use of existing streets, transportation facilities, utilities, or schools.
- h. Will the zoning proposal adversely impact the environment or surrounding natural resources?

### **IMPACT ANALYSIS**

447 Warren Ave., Scottdale, GA 30079

The zoning proposal will not adversely impact the environment or surrounding natural resources.

### **DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING & SUSTAINABILITY**

### **AUTHORIZATION**

The property owner should complete this form or a similar signed and notarized form if the individual who will file the application with the County is not the property owner.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

I/WE: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Name of Owner(s)

being owner(s) of the subject property described below or attached hereby delegate authority to:

Name of Agent or Representative

to file an application on my/our behalf.

Owner

Notary Public

### DISCLOSURE OF CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION

In accordance with the Conflict of Interest in Zoning Act, OCGA Chapter 36-67A, the following questions must 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: *
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. and to the Board of Commissioners of DeKalb County, 1300 Commerce Drive, Decatur, GA 30030.
Notary 8/12/2025 Signature of Applicant /Date
Notary Signature of Applicant /Date

Check one: Owner \_\_\_\_\_ Agent \_\_\_\_\_

\*Notary seal not needed if answer is "No".

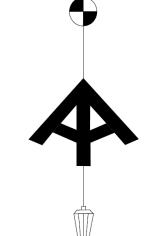
Expiration Date/ Seal

#### LAND SURVEYING - CONSULTING - COMMERCIAL - RESIDENTIAL LEGEND UNDERGROUND UTILITY DISCLAIMER DISTANCES ARE HORIZONTAL GROUND DISTANCES. SUBJECT LOT IS Information regarding the reputed presence, size, character and location of existing underground **LOT 16 BLOCK "21"** THE SURVEY DIMENSIONS ARE BASED ON THE U.S. FOOT • REBAR FOUND OR SET (RBF) (RBS) utilities and structures is shown hereon. There is no certainty of the accuracy of this information **ESKIMO HEIGHTS SUBDIVISION** (39.37 INCHES = 1 METER)as it relates to underground facilities and it shall be considered in that light by those using this CORNER CALCULATED OR SET (IPS) drawing. The location and arrangement of underground utilities and structures shown hereon **AS RECORDED IN** ∠ LIGHT POLE (LP) / POWER POLE (PP) may be inaccurate and such underground utilities and structures not shown may be encountered. **EQUIPMENT USED:** PLAT BOOK 8 PAGE 63 The Owner, his employees, his consultants and his contractors shall hereby distinctly understand THEODOLITE READING DIRECTLY TO 02 SECONDS. □ WATER METER (WM) that the surveyor is not responsible for the correctness or sufficiency of the information shown TAX ID 18 046 04 176 **ELECTRONIC DISTANCE METER READINGS DIRECTLY** hereon as it relates to underground utilities and structures. The limitations as to accuracy ○ GAS METER (GM) TO .005 FEET. contained in this paragraph shall not apply to the utilities and/or structures of any kind which are visible from the surface. All such above ground utilities and/or structures have been field located THE FIELD DATA UPON WHICH THIS PLAT IS BASED and are accurately depicted hereon. **SITE REFERENCES:** HAS A HORIZONTAL CLOSURE OF 1 FOOT IN 48,100 FEET. 1) DEED BOOK 29635 PAGE 610 THIS SURVEY HAS BEEN CALCULATED FOR CLOSURE 2) DEED BOOK 29012 PAGE 323 BY LATITUDE AND DEPARTURE AND IS FOUND TO BE =\*= PLAT CERTIFICATION NOTICE =\*= 3) PLAT BOOK 8 PAGE 63 ACCURATE WITHIN 1 FOOT IN 4.00E+22 FEET. 4) TAX MAPS AND TAX DATA AVAILABLE THIS PLAT HAS BEEN PREPARED FOR THE EXCLUSIVE USE OF THE THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN FIELD SURVEYED. ONLINE FROM THE DEKALB COUNTY PERSON, PERSONS OR ENTITY NAMED HEREON. THIS PLAT DOES NOT EXTEND TO ANY UNNAMED PERSON, PERSONS OR ENTITY WITHOUT THIS SPACE RESERVED FOR WEB SITE. EXPRESS RECERTIFICATION BY THE SURVEYOR HEREON RENAMING THE CLERK OF COURT THIS PLAT WAS PREPARED WITHOUT THE BENEFIT OF A TITLE THE PLAT TO SAID OTHER PERSON, PERSONS OR ENTITIES. **EXAMINATION AND MAY BE SUBJECT TO OTHER EASEMENTS** AND ENCUMBRANCES NOT SHOWN THAT MAY OR MAY NOT BE OF RECORD. **STATE WATERS NOTE** THIS SURVEYOR HAS MADE NO DETERMINATION OR JUDGEMENT AS TO THE EXISTENCE OF ANY STATE WATERS THAT MAY BE ON OR Sandy V ADJACENT TO THE PROPERTY SHOWN ON THIS SURVEY. PRIOR TO ANY CONSTRUCTION OR OTHER WORK THE PROPERTY OWNER AND/OR THEIR CONTRACTOR SHOULD VERIFY WITH THE LOCAL AND/OR STATE Cloudland AGENCIES AS TO THE EXISTENCE OF STATE WATERS THAT MAY IMPACT THIS PROPERTY. AN INDEPENDENT ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT MAY **LOTS** 13, 14, 15 Victoria E THOMAS H. STOSKOFP DB 14842 PG 794 ACCORDING TO THE DEKALB COUNTY RECORDS THIS DB 11061 PG 408 SITE IS ZONED R75. TAX ID 18 046 04 175 THIS LOT IN NON-CONFORMING IN WIDTH AND SIZE. NOTE THAT ANY BUILDING SETBACKS SHOWN ARE SUBJECTIVE AND HAVE BEEN INTERPROLATED FROM Dial Dr **ZONING INFORMATION OR PLATS OF RECORD. THESE BUILDING SETBACKS MAY CHANGE WHEN REVIEWED** BY THE LOCAL GOVERNING AUTHORITY. PURSUANT TO THE OFFICIAL CODE OF GEORGIA ANNOTATED SECTION 44-1-15 IT IS UNLAWFUL FOR ANY PERSON WILLFULLY LINK AND KNOWINGLY TO REMOVE, DESTROY, INJURE, OR DISPLACE FENCE SPT HOLDINGS, LLC ANY PROPERTY CORNER MONUMENT EXCEPT UNDER THE DB 29365 PG 610 **AUTHORITY OF A REGISTERED LAND SURVEYOR.** TAX ID 18 046 04 176 90d NAIL FND **⋖** N10°40'W - 2.08' BSI 4 CREEKVIEW, LLC **LOCATION MAP** \_ \_23.7' DB 29845 PG 321 TAX ID 18 045 05 005 NOT TO SCALE **SURVEYORS CERTIFICATION** This plat is a retracement of an existing parcel or parcels of land and does not subdivide or create a new parcel or make any changes to any real LAND LOT AREA property boundaries. The recording information of the documents, maps, LOT 0.172 ACRES +/plats, or other instruments which created the parcel or parcels are stated 7500 SQ.FT. +/-LOT hereon. RECORDATION OF THIS PLAT DOES NOT IMPLY MARIBEL GONZAGA APPROVAL OF ANY LOCAL JURISDICTION, AVAILABILITY OF DB 26271 PG 528 PERMITS, COMPLIANCE WITH LOCAL REGULATIONS OR REQUIREMENTS, OR SUITABILITY FOR ANY USE OR PURPOSE **IMPERVIOUS AREAS** OF THE LAND. Furthermore, the undersigned land surveyor certifies that this plat complies with the minimum technical standards for property THERE ARE NO IMPERVIOUS surveys in Georgia as set forth in the rules and regulations of the Georgia Board of Registration for Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors and **AREAS ON LOT 16** as set forth in O.C.G.A. Section 15-6-67. **OBSERVED AT TIME** OF THIS SURVEY FLOOD INSURANCE RATE MAP NUMBER 13089C0067K PANEL 67 OF 201 Graphic Scale **COVERING DEKALB COUNTY, GEORGIA DATED AUGUST 15, 2019. MATTERS OF TITLE ARE EXCEPTED** Contact 811 before you dig. (C) COPYRIGHT AARROW SURVEYING 2022 **BOUNDARY/ASBUILT SURVEY FOR:** AARIN SURIETING

# MARVIN GAVINS

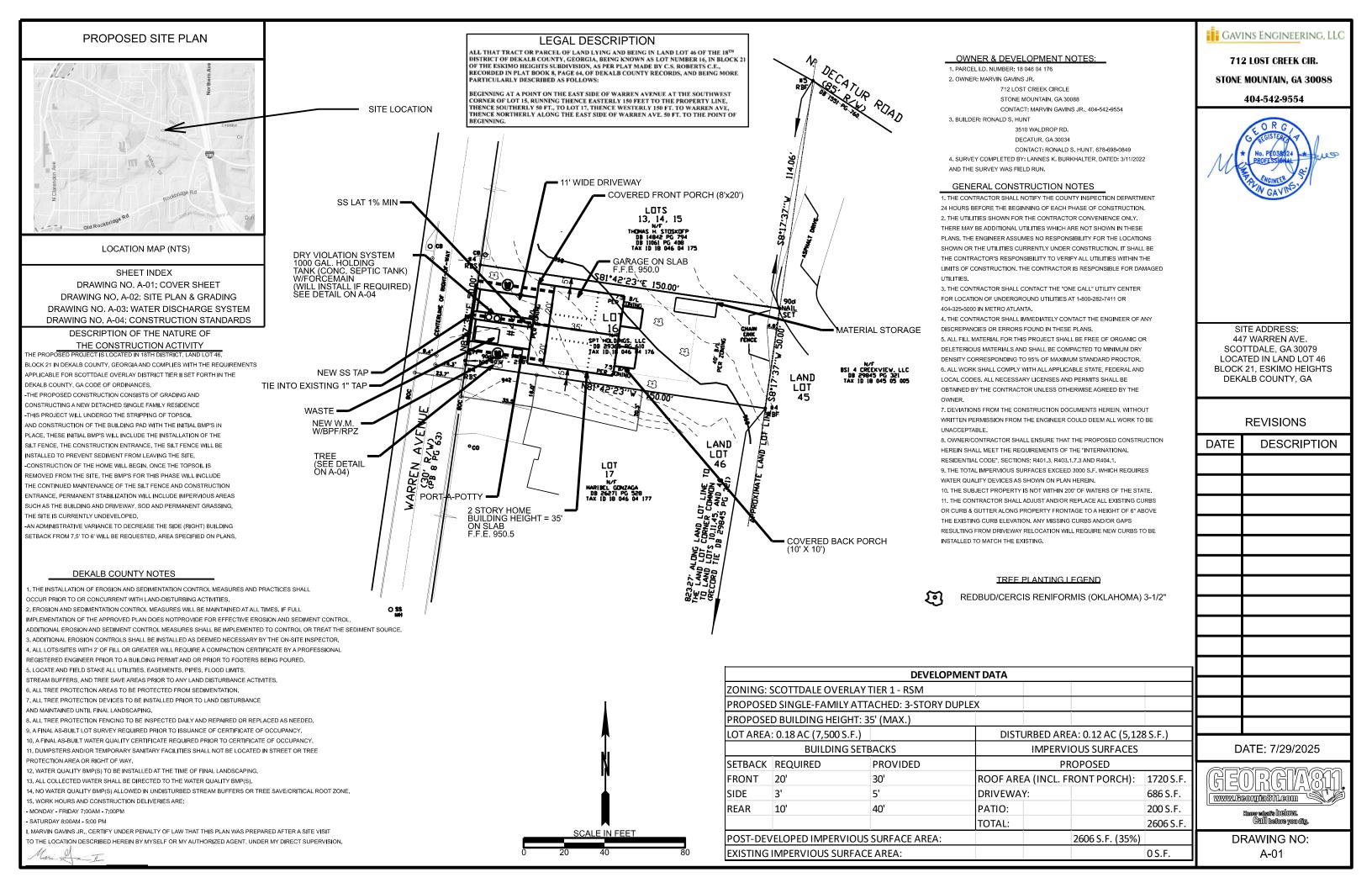
**LOCATED AT:** 

**#447 WARREN AVENUE** LAND LOT 46 OF THE 18TH DISTRICT DEKALB COUNTY, GEORGIA





2245 COUNTRY WALK SNELLVILLE, GEORGIA 30039 PH. AND FAX 770-982-9900





LEFT ELEVATION





FRONT ELEVATION



BACK ELEVATION

447 Warren Ave, Scottdale, GA 30079, USA



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Chief Executive Officer
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### **DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING & SUSTAINABILITY**

Interim Director Cedric Hudson

## 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: Marvin Gavins, Jr. Phone: 404-542-9554 Email: gavinsengineering@gmail	.com		
Property Address: 447 Warren Avenue, Scottdale 30079			
Property Address: 447 Warren Avenue, Scottdale 30079  Tax Parcel ID: 18 046 04 176 Comm. District(s): 4 & 6 Acreage: 0.17			
Existing Use: Proposed Use: Rezone-Tier 2 to Tier 1			
Supplemental Regs:Overlay District: Scottdale DRI: NA			
Rezoning: Yes X No No			
Existing Zoning: R-75/Tier 2 Proposed Zoning: R-75/Tier 1 Square Footage/Number of Units:			
Rezoning Request: Requesting to revise 447 Warren Ave. 30079 from Scottdale Overlay District Tier 2 to Tier 1 to allow duplex or office the second sec	e		
Land Use Plan Amendment: Yes No X			
Existing Land Use: TN Proposed Land Use: NA Consistent Inconsistent			
Special Land Use Permit: Yes No NA Article Number(s) 27			
Special Land Use Request(s):			
Major Modification:			
Existing Case Number(s): N/A			
Condition(s) to be modified:			



### **DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING & SUSTAINABILITY**

### WHAT TO KNOW BEFORE YOU FILE YOUR APPLICATION

Pre-submittal Community Meeting: Review Calendar Dates: _	PC: 1/8/25 BOC: 1/24/25		
Letter of Intent: $X$ Impact Analysis: $X$ Owner Authorization(s):_	Campaign Disclosure:		
Zoning Conditions: Community Council Meeting: 6/17/25	Public Notice, Signs:		
Tree Survey, Conservation: Land Disturbance Permit (LDP): _	Sketch Plat:		
Bldg. Permits: Fire Inspection: Business License:	State License:		
Lighting Plan: Tent Permit: Submittal Format: NO STA	APLES, NO BINDERS PLEASE		
Review of Site Plan			
Density: X Density Bonuses: Mix of Uses:	Open Space: X		
Enhanced Open Space: Setbacks: front sides	side corner rear		
Lot Size: Frontage: Street Widths: Lan	dscape Strips:		
Buffers: Parking Lot Landscaping: Parking - Auto:	Parking - Bicycle:		
Screening: X Streetscapes: X Sidewalks: X Fencie	ng/Walls:		
Bldg. Height: X Bldg. Orientation: Bldg. Separation: E			
Roofs: Fenestration: Façade Design: Garages:	Pedestrian Plan:		
Perimeter Landscape Strip:			
Possible Variances: due to narrow lot width variances may be	e required.		
Comments: applicant will need to decide which land use is desired (duplex or office) prior to su	bmission of their rezoning application		
last day for community meeting with 15 days notice to make july agenda cycle is 4/14/25. Filing deadline is April 21, 2025. Please verify you			
have filed rezone application with John Reid and confirm he has recieved your	application by filing deadlines.		
Planner: John Reid, Sr. Planner Date: 02/11/2024			
FILING FEES			
<b>REZONING:</b> RE, RLG, R-100, R-85, R-75, R-60, MHP, RSM, MR-1	\$500.00		
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	\$750.00		
LAND USE MAP AMENDMENT	\$500.00		
SPECIAL LAND USE PERMIT	\$400.00		



Marvin Gavins <gavinsengineering@gmail.com>

### completed pre app form see attached 447 Warren AVenue

**Reid**, **John** jreid@dekalbcountyga.gov>
To: Marvin Gavins gavinsengineering@gmail.com>

Thu, Feb 20, 2025 at 11:49 AM



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