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APPLICATION TO AMEND OFFICIAL ZONING MAP OF DEKALB COUNTY, GEORGIA

Filing Fee:
Date Received: Application No.:
Applicant: <u>Loren Wimpfheimer</u> E-Mail: <u>Loren wimpfheimer @ Capkey real</u> estate.com
Applicant Mailing Address:
Applicant Phone: 404-220.7608 Fax:

Owner(s): E-Mail:
(If more than one owner, attach as Exhibit "A")
Owner's Mailing Address:
Owner(s) Phone: Fax:
Address/Location of Subject Property: 1639 Eastland Road
District(s): <u>/5</u> Land Lot(s): <u>/43</u> Block: <u>(9</u> Parcel(s: <u>151431901</u>)
Acreage: <u>18,9</u> Commission District(s): <u>District 3</u>
Present Zoning Category: <u>2-75</u> Proposed Zoning Category: <u>MR-1</u>
Present Land Use Category: <u>TN</u>
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Disclosure of Campaign Contributions

In accordance with the Conflict of Interest in Zoning Act, O.C.G.A., Chapter 36-67A, the following questions <u>must</u> be answered:

Have you the applicant made \$250 or more in campaign contributions to a local government official within two years immediately preceding the filling of this application? _____ 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. and the Board of Commissioners, DeKalb County, 1300 Commerce Drive, Decatur, Ga. 30030.

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Chief Executive Officer Michael Thurmond **DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING & SUSTAINABILITY**

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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: Kennehlool Phone: 1/451-2741 Email: Ken@pecatl. con
Property Address: 1639 Eatland Rd
Tax Parcel ID: 15-143-19-011 Comm. District(s): 3:6 Acreage: 8.912
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Supplemental Regs: Overlay District: DRI:
Rezoning: Yes No
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Land Use Plan Amendment: YesNo
Existing Land Use: Consistent Inconsistent
Special Land Use Permit: Yes No Article Number(s) 27
Special Land Use Request(s)
Major Modification:
Existing Case Number(s):
Condition(s) to be modified:



6/7/2019

Re: **Pre-Community Meeting**

1639 Eastland Road

Planners and Engineers Collaborative, Inc. Project No. 19053.00

Dear Neighbors,

Planners and Engineers Collaborative, Inc. and Capkey Real Estate Advisors would like to inform you that a Land Use application will be submitted on July 5, 2019 to the DeKalb County Planning & Sustainability. The request would rezone the property located at 1639 Eastland Road from R-75 to MR-1, which would allow for a new single-family attached townhome development. The proposed development would leave much of the property undisturbed and would preserve many of the existing trees on the site.

A neighborhood meeting will be held on Tuesday, June 25, 2019 from 6:30 to 7:30pm at Community Bible Chapel (1430 Bouldercrest Road). The purpose of the meeting is to provide neighbors and interested parties with the opportunity to meet with PEC and the Developer to ask any questions and/or voice any concerns.

We are committed to keeping the public informed during the process of this application. If you have any questions, comments, or concerns, please feel free to reach out to Loren Wimpfheimer of Capkey at 404-220-7608.

Sincerely, Planners and Engineers Collaborative, Inc.

Kenneth J. Wood, P.E, LEED AP President

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7/5/2019

DeKalb County Dept. of Planning & Sustainability 330 West Ponce de Leon Ave, Stes. 100-500 Decatur, GA 30030

Re: **Community Meeting Summary and Comments from Neighbors** 1639 Eastland Road Planners and Engineers Collaborative, Inc. Project No. 19053.00

Dear Planning and Zoning,

The community meeting was held on Tuesday, June 25, 2019 from 6:30 to 7:30pm at Community Bible Chapel (1430 Bouldercrest Road). The meeting was attended by about 8 surrounding residents. The residents showed us where they lived in the community. One person lived on the northwest side of the property, three lived across Eastland Road or down the street. Others lived along Lake drive (3) and some others just lived in the general area.

The comments received from the community are as follows:

- How much of the existing trees are being preserved on the site
 - o Answer: the majority of the site will remain undisturbed and most of all the trees on the western property will be preserved.
- Worried about traffic on Lake Drive, wanting to see if access to Eastland can be done.
 - Answer: We can look and talk to the county about access to Eastland Road. We told them we 0 heard the comment and will look at the second access point. We also told them that Lake was a new road being finished now and that we had felt like since it was underutilized it was the best traffic option.
- Worried about lifestyle on Lake with new traffic and not just trees
 - Answer: We told them these were home ownership and with a established HOA proposed. We 0 made the case that the amount of towns on Lake would not see a major impact to their road. We believe this is due to the property being undeveloped now and the neighbors only seeing trees on the site now.
- Stormwater How to handle:
 - Answer: we are installing several new ponds and have reduced the impervious by not having a 0 very aggressive layout on the site. Stormwater would be handled in detention ponds and water quality, which we would break up throughout the site in different places.
- Zoning: Do we need to go for MR-1 or is there another category.
 - o Answer: We told them we were already looking into RSM since we are not using as much of the lot that we could go with lower density and approach to zoning at RSM.
- Style of architecture The neighbors said they live in very modern style house, wanted to see if we could ٠ look into changing the architecture to be more modern.
 - Answer: We told them we would run some market reports and look into the architecture style to see how we can best fit.
- Sanitary Sewer does it have capacity to handle the development?
 - Answer: we told them we have received the approval for the sanitary sewer capacity for the site.
- Stream on the front of the site, would it be piped? •
 - Answer: We told them we were going to go through the EPD and corps to pipe the stream because the stream in that area is mostly piped already and it use to be a old detention pond, want to be able to help the aesthetics.

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LEGAL DESCRIPTION

ALL THAT TRACT OR PARCEL OF LAND lying and being in Land Lot 143 of the 15th District, Dekalb County, Georgia and being more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a #4 rebar set point, located at the intersection of the southerly right of way (R/W) line of Eastland Road (R/W varies public) and the westerly R/W line of Bouldercrest Road (R/W varies public) said point being the POINT OF BEGINNING; thence along said westerly R/W line of Bouldercrest Road (R/W varies public) South 01 degree 58 minutes 51 seconds East a distance of 986.95 feet to a #4 rebar set and the common intersection of land lots 114 & 143; thence along said common intersection of land lots 114 & 143; thence along said common intersection of land lots 114 & 143 North 88 degrees 34 minutes 31 seconds West a distance of 417.64 feet to a #4 rebar found; thence leaving said common intersection of land lots 114 & 143 North 0 degrees 37 minutes 3 seconds East a distance of 980.47 feet to a #4 rebar set located at the southerly R/W Eastland Road (R/W varies public); thence South 89 degrees 19 minutes 3 seconds East a distance of 372.86 feet to #4 rebar set and the TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING.

Said tract containing 8.919 acres.

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Re: **Analysis Requirements** 1639 Eastland Road Planners and Engineers Collaborative, Inc. Project No. 19053.00

Dear Planning and Zoning,

Below are responses required per the DeKalb County Application to Rezone;

Section 27-832. Standards and factors governing review of proposed amendments to official zoning maps. The following standards and factors are found to be relevant to the exercise of the County's zoning powers and shall govern the review of all proposed amendments to the official zoning maps:

A. Whether the zoning proposal is in conformity with the policy and intent of the Comprehensive Plan.

The zoning proposal is in conformity with the policy and intent of the comprehensive plan. The proposal would change the zoning designation of the property from R-75 to RSM. The future land use designation for this site, as delineated by the DeKalb county comprehensive plan is Traditional Neighborhood (TN). RSM is a permitted zoning district in this character area. The change in zoning would facilitate the development of a new townhome community that would contribute to building the residential character of the area — a key goal of the comprehensive plan. The new proposed townhomes would have an orientation towards Eastland Road with alleys behind, and would be close to the street; these are all key ideas of the TN. Additionally, if approved, the development will occur in tandem with the extension of Lake Drive, the bounding road along the site's eastern edge. The extension will enable the construction of townhomes along the eastern edge toward the southern property line, which will add to the residential character of the area, advancing the intent of the TN character area.

B. Whether the zoning proposal will permit a use that is suitable in view of the use and development of adjacent and nearby properties.

The zoning proposal from R-75 to RSM would permit a new townhome development—a drastic improvement from the existing dilapidated church structure that is currently on the property. The new development would improve the condition and appearance of the parcel. A significant portion of the natural area and features of the site would be preserved (accounting for almost 60 percent of the site), but the overgrowth that makes up most of the site's frontage would be removed. The townhomes would be built along the northern and eastern property lines, which would significantly enhance the streetscapes along Lake Drive and Eastland Road with new, residential character, as called for in the comprehensive plan. This area is also very mixed in character, with much of the land being un- or underdeveloped. To the west are two residential streets developed with traditional single-family homes, with several undeveloped lots interspersed. The density of these blocks ranges from 1.7 units per acre to 3 units per acre. To the east directly across Lake Drive are four newly-built modern homes. These homes are similar in height and bulk to the proposed townhomes, and more are planned to be built upon the extension of Lake Drive. Further from the site, across Bouldercrest Road, is the Ashford East Village apartment complex with a density of approximately 10 units per acre. The addition of townhomes at this location will contribute to the mixed character, which is suitable for adjacent development and in line with the comprehensive plan.



C. Whether the property to be affected by the zoning proposal has a reasonable economic use as currently zoned.

The existing R-75 zoning would allow for the construction of approximately 38 single-family homes on 10,000 square foot lots. However, the site has many natural conditions that are impediments to development, including: a stream on the western side of the site that is subject to stream buffers, steep topography on either side of the stream, and a significant area of wetlands towards the middle of the southern half of the site. Because of these constraints, well over 50 percent of the site is unusable, and should be preserved. This leaves only about 3.7 acres of buildable land, which, under the R-75 zoning would yield approximately 16 lots. When necessary improvements such as internal alleyways, stormwater detention, and site grading are complete, the number of lots would be even lower, severely depleting any potential to redevelop this site.

D. Whether the zoning proposal will adversely affect the existing use or usability of adjacent or nearby properties.

The zoning proposal will not adversely affect the use or usability of adjacent or nearby properties. The RSM zoning district is included among those permitted under the Traditional Neighborhood future land use designation. The proposed townhomes permitted under the RSM district will add to the residential streetscape along Eastland Road, where there is currently only the small, dilapidated church building. The townhomes along Eastland will be rear-loaded, so that all of the parking/driving operations for these homes will occur in the alleyway behind them. Because of this, they will not cause additional traffic directly onto Eastland Road, burdening nearby homes.

E. Whether there are other existing or changing conditions affecting the use and development of the property which give supporting grounds for either approval or disapproval of the zoning proposal.

The property is owned by Oasis Family Life Church, and the existing structure on the 8.9-acre property is a small church. The existing structure is small, very old (built in 1938), and functionally obsolete. The costs to renovate the structure and improve its usability are very high, making reuse of the structure as a church infeasible. Being situated amidst a well-established neighborhood, and having a future land use designation of Traditional Neighborhood, the most suitable use for this site is residential. However, due to the complicated topography and the stream running through the western half of the site, over 50 percent of the site is virtually unusable. Therefore, 'traditional' neighborhood development (in the sense of continuing the pattern of small grid-like blocks) is nearly impossible to construct at this site. The site plan configuration as presented, with attached townhomes, is the optimal use of the site, while respecting the natural limitations and preserving existing wetlands and trees on the site.

F. Whether the zoning proposal will adversely affect historic buildings, sites, districts, or archaeological resources.

The zoning proposal will not affect historic buildings, sites, districts, or archaeological resources. The site is not located in a historic district, and there are no historic buildings within the immediate vicinity of the project. Based on a cursory view of the area, many of the houses on surrounding streets appear to have been built in the latter half of the 20th century. Additionally, many of the homes directly adjacent to or across the street from the site are new construction or very modern in appearance, and were built in the early 2000s.

G. Whether the zoning proposal will result in a use which will or could cause excessive or burdensome use of existing streets, transportation facilities, utilities or schools.

The proposal will not result in excess or burdensome use of existing streets, transportation facilities, utilities or schools. A significant number of lots surrounding the project site are currently vacant or unoccupied. The density proposed by the project is less than the maximum allowed in the character area. As mentioned previously, the extension of Lake Drive will expand the street frontage for building on the project site and directly across the street, as well as extend utility infrastructure improvements (water, sewer). Because of this, the infrastructure will be able to meet capacity for new buildings.

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Re: Letter of Intent

1639 Eastland Road Planners and Engineers Collaborative, Inc. Project No. 19053.00

Dear Planning and Zoning,

This rezoning application is being submitted on behalf of the developer, Capkey Real Estate Advisors. This application proposes to rezone the 8.9-acre site that is currently zoned R-75 (Residential Medium Lot) to RSM (Residential Small Lot). This rezoning would facilitate the construction of a new, 67-unit townhome development consisting of rearand front-loaded townhomes.

The site is located in the southwestern area of DeKalb County near the Atlanta city line and the border of Fulton County. The site is bounded by Eastland Road to the north, Lake Drive to the east, Glen Emerald Park to the south, and an unpaved, unused alleyway to the east.

The surrounding uses are as follows:

- East: across Lake Drive is the rear elevation of a church building, screened by significant • overgrowth. There are also several new construction single-family homes facing the site.
- West: across the overgrown, unpaved alleyway are three dead-end streets lined with single-family • homes built in the mid-20th century.
- North: across Eastland Road are eight single-family homes built in the mid-to-late 20th century. To • the northwest is a Methodist church, and to the northeast are single family homes within Atlanta city limits.
- South: immediately south of the site is a large community park called Glen Emerald park. It is • improved with tennis courts and a playground and has a large lake.

Zoning Rationale

The site is located in the Traditional Neighborhood (TN) character area as specified in the City's comprehensive plan. The Traditional Neighborhood character area envisions preserving the style and appeal of older, traditional neighborhoods with features such as a pedestrian-focused circulation, grid-like street patterns, and buildings close to the front property line. The comprehensive plan states that acceptable zoning designations within this character area include residential single-family districts (such as R-100 through R-60), medium-density residential districts (such as RSM and MR-1), and mixed-use/non-residential districts (such as MU-1, MU-2, NS, C-1, and O&I).

The rezoning proposal for a new townhome development on the subject property is consistent with the comprehensive plan's vision for walkable, human-scale, residential development to occur in this area. The proposal includes 67 townhomes that match the approximate size and scale of surrounding single-family homes. Additionally, the townhomes along the larger thoroughfare, Eastland Road, will be rear-loaded and accessed via an alleyway from behind, which is expressly encouraged by the TN character area of the comprehensive plan. The proposal for townhomes at this location contributes to the mix of residential development that characterizes this area, creating



a transition from the single-family homes that surround the site to the north and west, and the well-established apartment communities further to the south and east of the site.

The proposed project is a drastic improvement from the site's existing conditions. Currently, the site is occupied by an old, dilapidated church building that has received several code enforcement violation citations. The structure is very old (built in 1938), and is functionally obsolete. Renovating and reusing the existing structure as a church is infeasible, given the high costs of renovation and the scope of work necessary to improve it. Additionally, the church is surrounded by a significant amount of grass and tree overgrowth on all sides. The overgrowth extends for almost the entire frontage of Eastland Road, and covers the entire rest of the site perimeter. The proposed project would clear the overgrowth from the street frontages visible to neighbors and passersby. Townhomes would be built along the northern and eastern property lines, fronting the single-family homes across the street and matching them in the context of bulk and height. The townhomes would extend down the newly extended Lake Drive (construction is currently underway), creating a welcoming, pedestrian-oriented street frontage from which the Glen Emerald Park may be accessed. This development would provide more 'eyes on the street' along this road before the public access, improving public safety.

The proposal to rezone to the RSM district and the subsequent development of townhomes is the optimal use of the site. As mentioned, the property is currently improved with a small church that is in dire need of redevelopment. Being that the site is nestled amongst established single-family homes, and that the future land use designation is traditional neighborhood, it is clear that the best use of the site is residential. The existing R-75 zoning on the 8.9-acre site would theoretically allow for 38 single-family homes on 10,000 square foot lots. However, the site has a variety of issues that are impediments to the full use and development of the site: a stream on the western half of the site that is subject to stream buffers, steep topography on either side of the stream, and a significant area of wetlands towards the middle of the southern half of the site. Due to these constraints, more than 50 percent of the site area is unusable. Only about 3.7 acres of the site is buildable, and under the R-75 zoning (with a 10,000 square foot minimum lot size), the redevelopment potential is severely depleted.

The proposed project would work with the topographic and natural constraints, not against them. The goals of the TN future land use designation encourage small, grid-like blocks. Ideally, this would mean extending the existing Diamond and Emerald Avenues eastward across the site and proposing homes on either side. However, due to the complicated topography described above, this is virtually impossible. Therefore, given the obstacles imposed by the natural features coupled with the limiting dimensional requirements of the existing R-75 zoning, the site plan configuration as presented is the optimal use of the site. In addition to continuing the streetscape, visually improving the neighborhood, and adding new homes in an appropriate size and scale, this proposal will also preserve the wetlands, trees, and stream buffers that occupy over 50 percent of the site.

Constitutional Objections

The portions of the Code of Ordinances and Zoning Ordinance for DeKalb County (the "Zoning Ordinance") which classifies or conditions the Property into any more or less intensive zoning classification and/or zoning conditions other than as requested by the Applicant and property owner are unconstitutional, in that they would destroy the Applicant's and property owner's property rights without first paying fair, adequate and just compensation for such rights, in violation of Article I, Section I, Paragraph II of the Constitution of the State of Georgia of 1983, the Due Process Clause of the Fourteenth Amendment to the Constitution of the United States.

The application of the Zoning Ordinance which presently restricts the Property's use to the present zoning classification, uses, regulations, requirements, and conditions is unconstitutional, illegal, null and void, and constitutes a taking of the Applicant's and the property owner's property rights in violation of the Just Compensation Clause of the Fifth Amendment and the Due Process Clause of the Fourteenth Amendment to the Constitution of the United States, Article I, Section I, Paragraphs I and II of the Constitution of the State of Georgia of 1983, and in violation of the Equal Protection Clause of the Fourteenth Amendment to the Constitution of the United States by denying economic and viable use of the Property while not substantially advancing legitimate state interests.



The Property is presently suitable for RSM as proposed in the requested rezoning, as amended by the Applicant, and is not economically suitable for uses restricted under its present zoning and development classification, conditions, regulations, and restrictions due to its location, shape, size, surrounding development, and other factors. A denial of the requested rezoning and related variances would constitute an arbitrary and capricious act by DeKalb County, and the Board of Commissioners without any rational basis therefore, constituting an abuse of discretion in violation of Article I, Section I, Paragraphs I and II of the Constitution of the State of Georgia of 1983 and the Due Process Clause of the Fourteenth Amendment. A refusal by DeKalb County, and the Board of Commissioners to approve this requested rezoning, with only such additional conditions as agreed to by the Applicant and/or owner, so as to permit the only feasible economic use of the Property, would be unconstitutional between the Applicant, owner, and similarly situated property owners, in violation of Article I, Section I, Paragraph II of the State by discriminating of Georgia of 1983 and the Equal Protection Clause of the Fourteenth Amendment.

Conclusion

The Applicant and Owner respectfully request the approval and support of DeKalb County's Board of Commissioners, and Planning Staff of the Applicant's rezoning request to change the project site's zoning from R-75 (Residential Medium Lot) to RSM (Residential Small Lot). Applicant and owner believe that this rezoning would ensure the optimal use of the site—a new, 67-unit single-family attached townhome development.

The Applicant respectfully submits this proposal as the most appropriate use of the site. In addition to maintaining the intent of the character area, it provides new single-family housing that is consistent with existing context and will improve the existing streetscape and neighborhood.

The Applicant, owner, and their representatives welcome the opportunity to meet with all interested parties and representatives.

Sincerely, Planners and Engineers Collaborative, Inc.

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Chief Executive Officer Michael Thurmond

DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING & SUSTAINABILITY

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REZONE APPLICATION AUTHORIZATION

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

20/9 29 DATE:

CHECK TYPE OF APPLICATION:

() LAND USE PLAN

(M REZONE

() MINOR MODIFICATION

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

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

Kenneth WooD - Planners and Engineers Collaborative (Name of Applicant or Agent Representing Owner)

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

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Notary Public

Owner



Owner



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 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?

No 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 seal not needed if answer is "no".

Signature of Applicant /Date

Check one: Owner Agent