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To: Rolesville Planning Board

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The Technical Review Committee (TRC) reviewed this rezoning request and concept plan. Two outstanding comments include:

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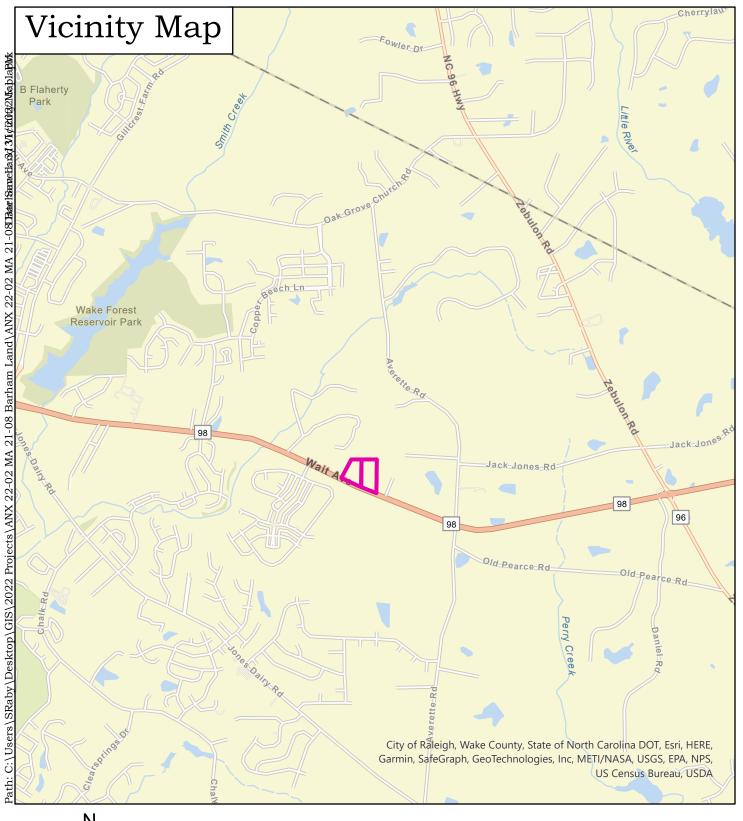
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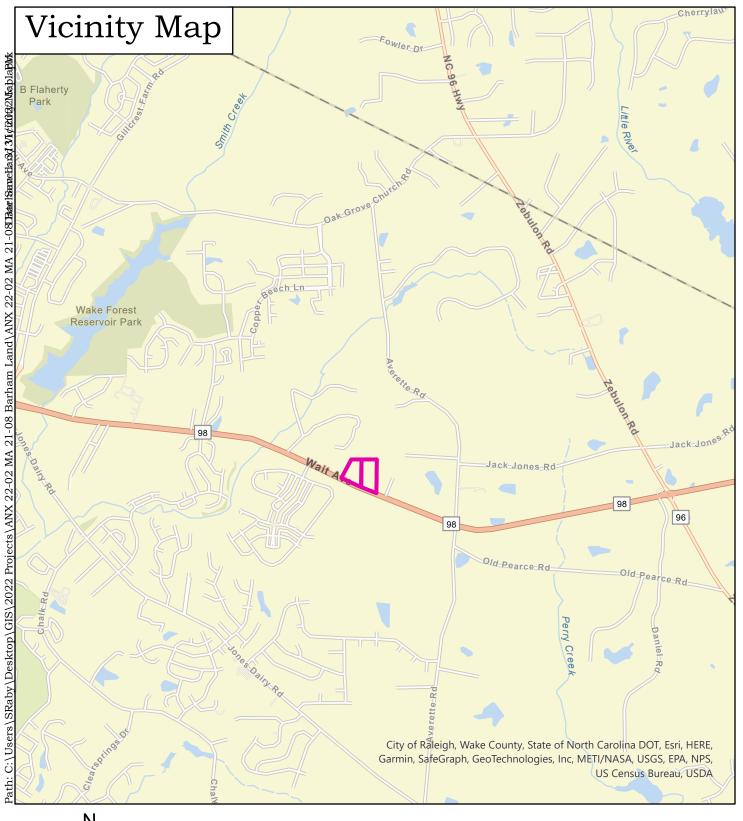


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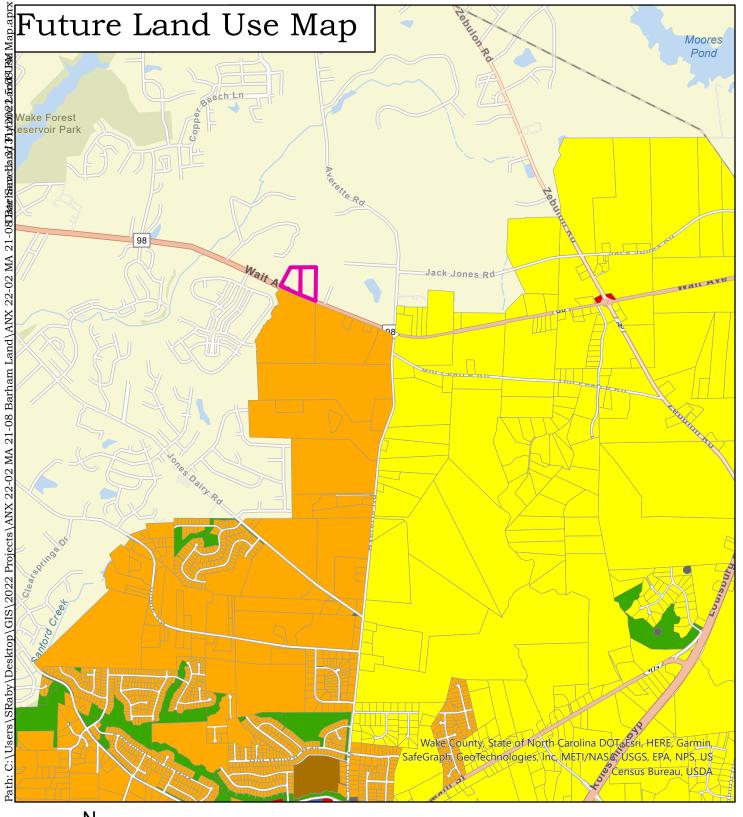


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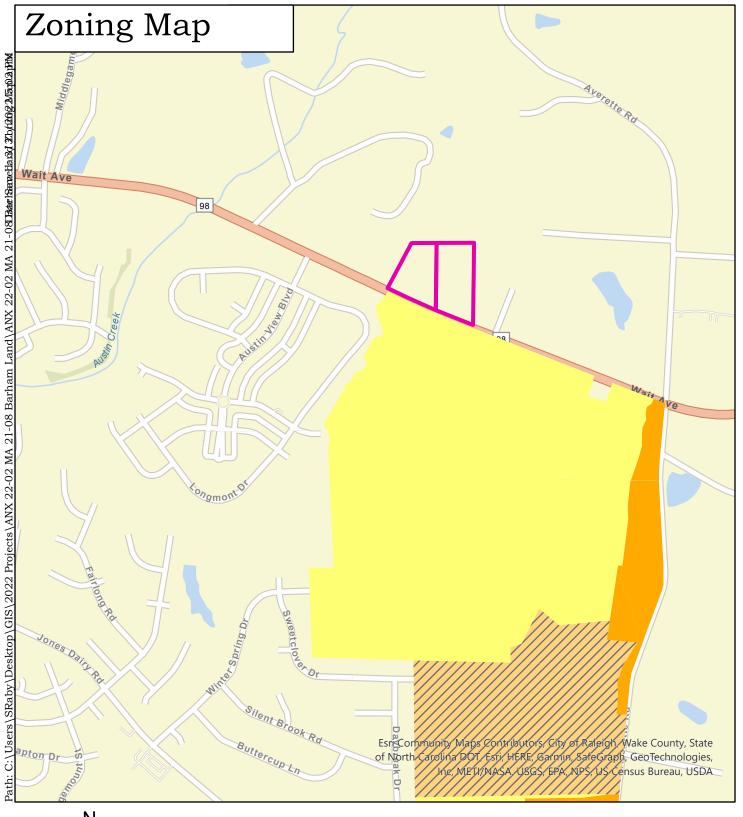


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#### Barham Lands (MA 21-08) Neighborhood Meeting Summary

On Wednesday, May 18, 2022, a neighborhood meeting was held to inform neighbors of the proposed rezoning of 2005 and 2033 Wait Avenue (Barham Lands) and to gain their feedback for consideration in in the rezoning. The notification sent to the neighbors is attached along with the list of neighbors notified. The neighbors that attended the meeting are shown on the attached attendees list. Jon Frazier, a principal with FLM Engineering, and Nil Ghosh, an attorney with Morningstar Law Group, represented the developer.

Following a brief presentation by Mr. Ghosh, the neighbors in attendance were invited to ask questions and share comments and concerns. Below is a list of the questions, comments, and concerns raised along with answers provided by Mr. Ghosh and Mr. Frazier. The questions and answers are summarized for brevity.

#### Q: Is the plan shown the latest plan?

A: Yes, the plan presented is the latest plan submitted to and reviewed by Town of Rolesville staff.

#### Q: Has a cluster development been considered for this property?

A: No, in our experience, cluster developments are typical utilized where there are significant natural, undevelopable features, such as flood plains, stream buffers, etc. This site does not contain any of those features.

#### Q: Preservation of open space is a concern.

A: The plan meets the town's requirements for preserving open space.

#### Q: What type of commercial development has been considered for the site?

A: Under the existing Wake County HD zoning, several commercial uses are allowed including neighborhood convenience with gas sales, self-storage, and office.

## Q: When will the tree survey be performed? The neighbors would prefer a natural buffer to a planted buffer.

A: The tree survey will be performed prior to site plan development. Existing vegetation will be preserved in buffer areas to the extent practical.

#### Q: One-story homes are more appropriate for seniors.

A: The homes contemplated for this development will have a first-floor master bedroom.

#### Q: Will this project be age restricted?

A: No, this project is age targeted meaning there are certain amenities targeted toward seniors such as first-floor master bedrooms, complete exterior maintenance, etc., but there are no planned restrictions on the age of the home purchasers.

- Q: Will these homes be rentals?
- A: No, the homes are planned for sale.
- Q: Can restrictions against renting be added to the covenants?
- A: There are no plans to do so at this time.
- Q: The neighbors would prefer the proposed fence to be placed on the 25' buffer line and not the property boundary.
- A: We will discuss this with the development team and town staff.
- Q: What is the proposed fence material?
- A: The fence is proposed to be a composite material.
- Q: Mr. Steelman (PIN 1850867665) reiterated that a fence on the property line would interfere with existing Leyland Cypress along the property boundary and expressed a preference for the fence to be set back off of the property line.
- A: We will discuss this with the development team and town staff.
- Q: Mr. Steelman asked about the street stub to his property and expressed a desire for the stub to end before his property line.
- A: The stub is required for future connectivity and required to be extended to the property line so that it can be extended from there in the future. However, a condition (#4) is included as part of the rezoning giving the Board of Commissioners the option to allow the stub to be stopped short of the property line.
- Q: Is a rendering of the proposed home product available to share?
- A: We will follow up with a rendering if one is available to share.
- Q: What is the proposed square footage of the units?
- A: The unit footprint is approximately 28' x 65', which equates to 1,820 SF, so at two stories, the units would be over 2,000 SF.
- Q: Can the developers prepare a traffic study even is one is not required?
- A: The adjacent PUD project had to perform a traffic study that includes improvements to the road network.
- Q: Can you provide the TIE data plot and version of the ITE Trip Generation Manual used to calculate the required trips?
- A: Yes, we will follow up with that information.

- Q: When would the proposed Wait Avenue road widening occur?
- A: The road widening would happen concurrently with the project construction.
- Q: Is the plan compliant with the LDO?
- A: The plan included with the rezoning is a sketch plan, and town staff has confirmed it meets the requirements necessary for the proposed rezoning. If the rezoning is approved, an LDO-compliant site plan will be submitted to the town for review.
- Q: Neighbors would expect single-family homes on this site given the adjacent properties' uses.
- A: The adjacent properties are within Wake County's jurisdiction and on well and septic. With a connection to public utilities and development within the town, higher density should be expected.
- Q: What is the remaining process?
- A: The case will be heard by the Planning Commission on May 23<sup>rd</sup> and then heard by the Board of Commissioners on July 6<sup>th</sup>. If the rezoning is approved, the next step would be submittal of site plans to the town.
- Q: The plan does not appear to deviate from the previous plan.
- A: The concept plan shows a significant compromise from the previous layout. The new concept proposes 30% fewer homes. The duplex arrangement now proposed is more similar in massing to surrounding homes in the County than the previous layout which had five or more townhomes grouped in each building. Finally, the switch to an age-targeted product type with bedrooms, bathrooms, kitchen, and laundry on the main floor is a major change in recognition of the need for housing for this growing demographic. The current plan differs significantly from the previously proposed project.
- Q: The neighbors expressed concern with the dog park adjacent to the project perimeter.
- A: Our intent was to provide open space adjacent to the perimeter as opposed to additional units.
- Q: If single-family homes were proposed, the neighbors would support the project.
- A: Thank you for letting us know.
- Q: The neighbors expressed a concern with HVAC units behind the homes and the associated noise.
- A: At this time, we do not know exactly where the HVAC units will be placed, but there is a strong possibility that the HVAC units will be located on the sides of the units. They will be screened per town requirements.

- Q: How far apart are the units?
- A: The units are proposed to be 30 feet apart.
- Q: Who was notified of the meeting?
- A: Neighbors within 200' of the property were notified.
- Q: What does "CZ" mean with regard to the zoning?
- A: CZ indicates Conditional District Zoning, which means we have provided a sketch plan and conditions with the rezoning request.