FINDLAY CITY PLANNING COMMISSION



STAFF REPORT September 14th, 2023

CITY PLANNING COMMISSION MEMBERS

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City of Findlay City Planning Commission

City Council Chambers, 1st floor of Municipal Building September 14th, 2023 – 9:00 AM

AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

SWEARING IN

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

NEW ITEMS

- 1. APPLICATION FOR ZONING AMENDMENT #ZA-07-2023; filed by VFW Post 5645, to rezone parcel #570000221230 from R-3 Small Lot Residential to C-1 Local Commercial.
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<u>ADMINISTRATIVE APPROVALS</u> <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

City of Findlay City Planning Commission

City Council Chambers, 1st floor of Municipal Building Thursday, September 14th, 2023–9:00 a.m.

COMMENTS

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1. APPLICATION FOR ZONING AMENDMENT #ZA-07-2023; filed by VFW Post 5645, to rezone parcel #570000221230 from R-3 Small Lot Residential to C-1 Local Commercial.

CPC STAFF

General Information

This request is located on the south side of Walnut Street between Taylor Street and the north/south railroad tracts. It is zoned R-3 Single Family Small Lot. On the south side of Walnut Street, it is mostly R-3 Small Lot Residential with some C-1 Local Commercial. To the north is a mix of C-2 General Commercial and I-1 Light Industrial. It is not located within the 100-year floodplain. The City of Findlay Land Use Plan designates the area as Single Family Small Lot.

Parcel History

The site is currently vacant.

Staff Analysis

The applicant is requesting the rezone because they would like to add an accessory building to the site. To do so, they must combine the lots with the abutting parcels that contain the primary structure. They also need to have everything under the same zoning classification, C-1 Local Commercial. Staff did not have any concerns with the request.

Staff Recommendation

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ENGINEERING\

No Comment

FIRE PREVENTION

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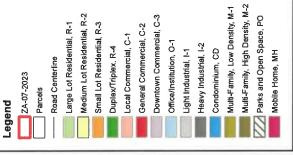
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2. APPLICATION FOR SITE PLAN REVIEW #SP-19-2023 filed by Investek Holdings LLC, for phase 3 of the Horizon Pointe apartment complex on Lot 41 of the Findlay Commerce Park 4th Addition.

CPC STAFF

General Information

This request is located at the southwest intersection of County Road 99 and Technology Drive. It is zoned M-2 Multi-Family, High Density. The land to the west is zoned C-2 General Commercial, but was reviewed as a church last month at City Planning Commission. To the south is M-2 Multi-Family, High Density. To the east, it is currently zoned a mix of C-2 General Commercial and M-2. It is not located within the 100-year flood plain.

Parcel History

This is currently the site is vacant farmland. The site was replatted in September 2021 to combine into one parcel and vacate Heartland Court. The 2nd phase of Horizon Pointe went through CPC in March 2019.

Staff Analysis

Horizon Pointe have submitted this site plan to construct their 3rd phase of multi-family in this area. The number of units provided is 85, which is well below the threshold of one unit per 3500 square feet of lot size. The lot coverage stands at 33%, which is below the max of 40%. They meet all the minimum setbacks and the minimum building separation. There is more than enough parking provided throughout the site. There are 387 total parking spaces between garage spots, driveway spots, and standard parking provided throughout the development. The required minimum is 213 spaces.

In terms of landscaping, they are meeting the requirements of the code. They have just enough shrubs, 600 total, to cover the perimeter parking lot standards and the foundation plantings. They have provided 63 trees on site, while they were only required 45.

One item that staff thought the applicant should address is along County Road 99. CR 99 is a major thoroughfare and will only get busier. Right now, there is only a grass buffer between CR 99 and the interior private drive to the ranch villas on the north side. Staff would request the applicant add five (5) canopy trees and five (5) evergreen trees per one hundred lineal feet (100') along the north side of the property.

Staff Recommendation

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Access -Site will be accessed from a new drive that will be coming off of the west side of Technology Drive. Once on the site the proposed plans are showing a network of private roadways with a connection to an existing site to the south. Along with the drive access the proposed plans show the extension of the existing sidewalk to the north property line.

Water Service -

The proposed plans show a looped water system to run throughout the site. The waterline is shown as a public waterline that is contained within an easement. For each of the building there will be a meter pit that will be placed outside of the building in non-pavement areas. The City will work with the designer to confirm final location and sizing of the service lines. Along with the services the City will work with the designer in final locations of the valves on the mainline.

Sanitary Service -

Like the waterline the plans are showing a network of sanitary sewer mainlines to run throughout the site. The sanitary is not shown in an easement so it is assumed that the sanitary sewer is a private line.

Stormwater Management -

The site plans are proposing two new detention ponds to be located in the center of the site and the detention calculations comply with City standards.

MS4 Requirements -

The disturbed area is more than 1 acre so the applicant does need to comply with the City of Findlay's Erosion & Sediment Control Ordinance. As part of the site plans the applicant has provided a SWPPP plan for the site.

Recommendations:

Approval of the Site-

The following permits may be required prior to construction:

- Water Main Line Taps x2
- Water Service x17
 - o Meter Pits for each building.
- Sanitary Tap x1
- Storm Tap x 1
- Curb Cut Permit x 1
- Sidewalk Permit

FIRE PREVENTION

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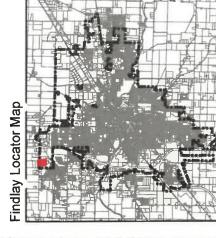
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CPC STAFF

General Information

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Parcel History

The building on the site is a multi-family dwelling.

Staff Analysis

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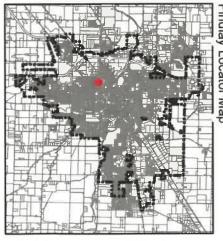
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420-422 W. Hardin Street

Road Centerline

Findlay Locator Map



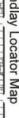
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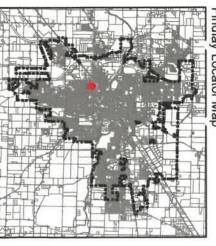


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Parks and Open Space, PO 420-422 W. Hardin Street Multi-Family, High Density, M-2 Large Lot Residential, R-1 Heavy Industrial, I-2 Downtown Commercial, C-3 General Commercial, C-2 Mobile Home, MH Multi-Family, Low Density, M-1 Condominium, CD Light Industrial, I-1 Duplex/Triplex, R-4 Small Lot Residential, R-3 Medium Lot Residential, R-2 Office/Institution, O-1 Local Commercial, C-1





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4. APPLICATION FOR PRELIMINARY PLAT #PP-02-2023 filed by Mardic Investments, Inc, for a commercial subdivision and creation of a public roadway in Pt. SW ¼ of Section 36 in Allen Township.

CPC STAFF

General Information

This request is located on the south side of County Road 99, east of Technology Drive. The area is a mix of C-2 General Commercial and M-2 Multi-Family, High Density. It is not located within the 100-year flood plain. The City of Findlay Land Use Plan designated the parcel as Regional Commercial.

Parcel History

The site is currently vacant.

Staff Analysis

The proposed plat would subdivide the area with a new lot and dedicate right-of-way. The parcel would be a 9.7 acre parcel abutting County Road 99. There would be a street extending from County Road 99 south to a future expansion of Midwest Court. The rest of the parcel would remain as a single parcel.

Two of the review items for a preliminary plat include the following:

- In the case where the subdivider wishes to subdivide a given area, but wishes to begin with only a portion of the total area, the preliminary plat shall include the proposed general layout for the entire area. The part which is proposed to be subdivided first shall be clearly superimposed upon the overall plan in order to illustrate clearly the method of development which the subdivider intends to follow. Each subsequent plat shall follow the same procedure until the entire area controlled by the subdivider is subdivided.
- Statement of proposed use of lots, giving type and number of dwelling units and type of business or industry.

At the time of the report, the Preliminary Plat does not include a proposed general layout for the entire area. It also does not indicate the proposed future uses of the lots for the entirety of the site. Without this information, staff recommends that the request be tabled.

Staff Recommendation

Staff recommends tabling of APPLICATION FOR PRELIMINARY PLAT #PP-02-2023 filed by Mardic Investments, Inc, for a commercial subdivision and creation of a public roadway in Pt. SW ¼ of Section 36 in Allen Township.

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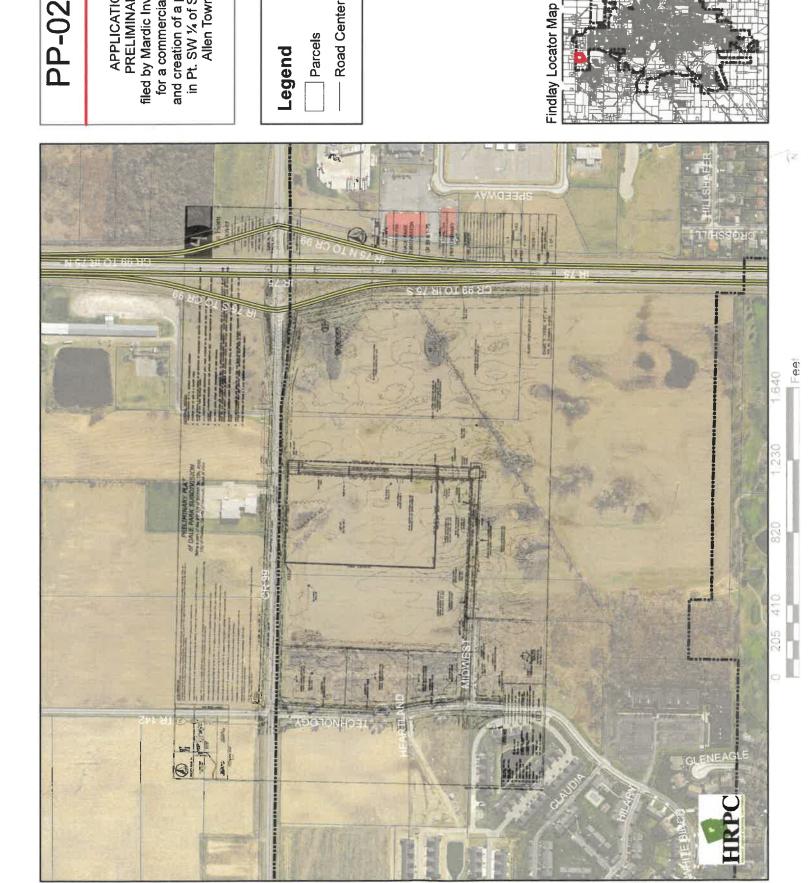
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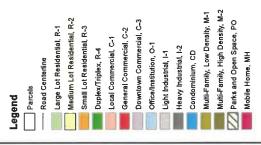
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CPC STAFF

General Information

This request is located on the north side of north of County Road 99, just east of I-75. To the south and east along CR 99, it is zoned C-2 General Commercial. It is not located within the 100-year flood plain. The City of Findlay Land Use Plan designated the parcel as Regional Commercial along County Road 99 and Industrial to the north.

Parcel History

The only buildings that are currently in the request are on 11732 County Road 99 and 11600 County Road 99. Flag City Furniture Too occupies 11600 CR 99, while Kan-Do's Production facility is located at 11732 CR 99. The rest of the site is currently vacant.

Staff Analysis

The applicants have requested that the entire site be zoned I-1 Light Industrial, except for 11732 County Road 99 LLC's parcel and the east 1.351 acres of 11600 County Road 99 LLC's parcel that abuts it. The west 1.315 acres of 11600 County Road 99's parcel will be split and sold to RaceTrac to provide the land for the Speedway Drive expansion north.

When considering rezoning requests, the Findlay Land Use Plan is one of the key components to consider. The Findlay Land Use Plan designates the land along CR 99 as Regional Commercial and the land north as Industrial. Given that the request is in line with the Land Use Plan, staff is supportive of the rezone request.

Staff Recommendation

Staff recommends that FCPC recommend APPLICATION FOR ZONING AMENDMENT #ZA-08-2023; filed by Dr. Lai, RaceTrac Petroleum LLC, and 11600 County Road 99 LLC, and 11732 County Road 99 LLC to provide initial zoning for 138 acres of property in Allen Township upon annexation into Findlay.

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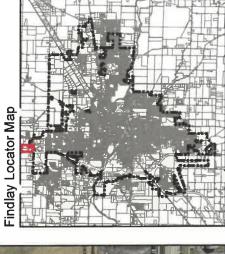
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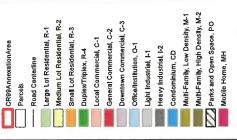




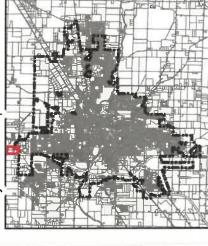
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CPC STAFF

General Information

This request is located on the north side of W. Lincoln Street between S. West Street and S. Cory Street. It is zoned R-3 Small Lot Residential. To the east of S. Cory Street, it is zoned C-3 Downtown Commercial. To the west of S. Cory Street, there is a mix of R-3 Small Lot Residential, R-4 Duplex/Triplex, and M-1 Multi-Family Low Density. It is not located within the 100-year flood plain. The City of Findlay Land Use Plan designated the parcel as Regional Commercial.

Parcel History

The site is currently home to Shelley Company and Metzger Breicheisen LLC. It has housed a number of businesses over the years since the closing of RCA. Originally the parcel was zoned Industrial for the RCA site. In 2004, it was part of a Planned Unit Development, that had a mix of commercial and industrial uses. Lots 1, 5, and 6 were listed as Business Technology zoning which allowed for a mix of commercial and industrial uses. After the PUD's were removed from the code, the parcel was given C-2 General Commercial Zoning in 2011.

Staff Analysis

The history of the site shows that the use of the site has primarily been industrial since it was originally constructed. Although it is currently zoned commercial, some light-industrial activities have always been a part of the site. Given the history of zoning and the use of the site, staff is supportive of rezoning back to I-1 Light Industrial to better reflect the use of the site.

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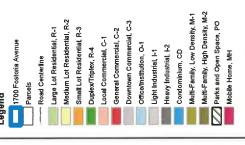
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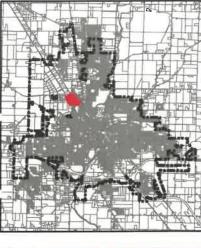
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