Rezoning Transportation Analysis

Petition Number: 2020-161

General Location Identifier: Tax ID 03327114

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Revision Log:

Date	Description		
12-28-2020	First Review (EL)		
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General Review Information

The petition is located adjacent to Mount Holly-Huntersville Road (State-maintained, Major thoroughfare) near Beatties Ford Road (State-maintained, Major thoroughfare). The petition is in the northwest wedge and is outside Route 4. Applicable area plans include the Westside Strategy Plan Study Area.

Active Projects Near the Site:

None

CDOT's review of this rezoning petition is intended to provide consistency with council adopted policies, plans, standards and guidelines including, but not limited to, the Transportation Action Plan (TAP), Vision Zero, Urban Street Design Guidelines (USDG), Center, Corridor and Wedges, Charlotte BIKES, Traffic Impact Study Guidelines and Charlotte WALKS. With a commitment to design complete streets, this review is to ensure that the City's transportation network supports current and future land uses and includes streets that provide safe and comfortable mobility for motorists, pedestrians, bicyclists, and transit users.

This document is primarily for communication to Planning Department staff as part of the overall City staff analysis of the rezoning petition and includes an overall summary of the case from a transportation perspective, information on trip generation, and resolved or outstanding site plan concerns. Additional advisory information about the driveway permit process is provided for information only.

Based on our review of the petition, we offer the following information for your consideration.

Transportation Summary

The site is located on a major thoroughfare road [Mount Holly-Huntersville Road]. CDOT is requesting the petitioner to clarify that additional public right of way or a sidewalk utility easement will be dedicated to accommodate a future 12-foot shared use path, in accordance with the Charlotte BIKES Policy. The site proposes access off an internal private street that currently intersects with Mount Holly-Huntersville Road.

Trip Generation

Scenario	Land Use	Intensity	Trip Generation (vehicle trips/day)	Source
Existing Use	Vacant			Tax Record
Entitlement with Current Zoning	Retail (B-1 0.35 acres)	3,500 SF	615	General Guidance from Planning
Proposed Zoning	Restaurant	1,500 SF	170	Site Plan: 09-24-20

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Provide comments to the specified comments below.

Outstanding Issues

Strikethrough = Resolved

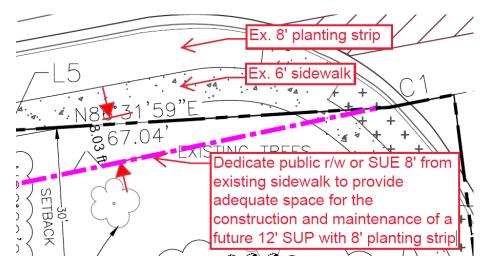
1. Curbline:

a. Mount Holly-Huntersville Road: The future location of curb and gutter is in its existing

2. Traffic Study:

A Traffic Impact Study is not necessary for the complete review of this petition due to the site generating less than 2,500 daily trips. If during the permitting process the site generates more than 2,500 daily trips, then a traffic study will be required.

- 3. Revise site plan and conditional note(s) to commit to dedicate a minimum of 50-feet of public right-of-way from the Mount Holly-Huntersville Road centerline. CDOT requests additional public right-of-way to be dedicated 2-feet behind the existing sidewalk. The site plan shall label and dimension the right-of-way from the road centerline.
- 4. Revise site plan and conditional note(s) to commit to construct bicycle facilities by installing a 12-foot shared-use path to meet the City Charlotte BIKES Policy.
- 5. A site plan note(s) specifying dedication and fee simple conveyance of all rights-of-way to the City before the site's first building certificate of occupancy is issued is needed. CDOT requests rights-of-way set at 2' behind back of sidewalk where feasible.
- 6. A site plan note specifying that all transportation improvements will be approved and constructed before the site's first building certificate of occupancy is issued is needed. The petitioner may phase transportation improvements if said improvements and phasing are explicitly described in site plan notes.
- 7. **Technical Clarification** (site plan dated 1-10-21) Revise the site plan and conditional note (Section Transportation.E.) to dedicate public right-of-way or a sidewalk utility easement at the location below.



Advisory Information

The following are requirements of the developer that must be satisfied prior to driveway permit approval. These requirements shall be reflected on the rezoning plan, as appropriate.

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- 1. CDOT has the authority to regulate/approve all private street/driveway and public street connections to the right-of-way of a street under the regulatory jurisdiction of the City of Charlotte, per the City of Charlotte's Driveway Regulations.
- 2. Adequate sight triangles must be reserved at the existing/proposed street entrance(s). Two 35' x 35' sight triangles (and two 10' x 70' sight triangles on NCDOT-maintained streets) are required for the entrance(s) to meet requirements. All proposed trees, berms, walls, fences, and/or identification signs shall not interfere with sight distance at the entrance(s) and shall be identified on the site plan.
- 3. The proposed driveway connection(s) to public streets will require a driveway permit(s) to be submitted to CDOT (and NCDOT on NCDOT-maintained streets) for review and approval. The exact driveway location(s) and type/width of the driveway(s) will be determined by CDOT during the driveway permit process. The locations of the driveway(s) shown on the site plan are subject to change in order to align with driveway(s) on the opposite side of the street and comply with City Driveway Regulations and the City Tree Ordinance.
- 4. All proposed commercial driveway connections to a future public street will require a driveway permit submitted to CDOT for review and approval.
- 5. Any fence or wall constructed along or adjacent to any sidewalk or street right-of-way requires a certificate issued by CDOT.
- 6. A Right-of-Way Encroachment Agreement is required for the installation of any non-standard item(s) (irrigation systems, decorative concrete pavement, brick pavers, etc.) within a proposed/existing Citymaintained street right-of-way by a private individual, group, business, or homeowner's/business association. An encroachment agreement must be approved by CDOT prior to construction/installation. Contact CDOT for additional information concerning cost, submittal, and liability insurance coverage requirements.
- 7. The petitioner needs to complete and submit the Right of way Abandonment Petition form to CDOT for review. The decision of this rezoning petition does not correlate with the decision of the possible abandonment, as this decision is issued within the separate Right of Way Abandonment process that is controlled by North Carolina General Statutes.
- 8. To attain a street and pedestrian lighting recommendation, the petitioner should coordinate with Anthony Mendez, CDOT. Please visit the following link: https://charlottenc.gov/Transportation/Programs/Pages/StreetLighting.aspx