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June 6, 2024

The Honorable Ronald B. Salem, Pharm. D., President The Honorable Kevin Carrico, LUZ Chair And Members of the City Council 117 West Duval Street Jacksonville, FL 32202

RE: Planning Commission Advisory Report / Ordinance No. 2024-351/Application No. L-5918-24C

Dear Honorable Council President Salem, Honorable Council Member and LUZ Chairman Carrico and Honorable Members of the City Council:

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 650.405 *Planning Commission* Advisory *Recommendation and Public Hearing*, the Planning Commission **APPROVED** Ordinance 2024-351 on June 6, 2024.

P&DD Recommendation APPROVE

PC Issues: None

PC Vote: 7-0 APPROVE

Charles Garrison, Chair Aye

Lamonte Carter Ave

Amy Yimin Fu Absent

Julius Harden Aye

Moné Holder Absent

Ali Marar Aye

Michael McGowan Aye

Jack Meeks Aye

Tina Meskel Aye

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me at your convenience.

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Sincerely,

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# Report of the Jacksonville Planning and Development Department

# Small-Scale Future Land Use Map Amendment – May 31, 2024

Ordinance/Application No.: 2024-351 / L-5918-24C

**Property Location:** 0, 3019, and 3025 Leon Road, between Beach

Boulevard (US-90) and Leahy Road

**Real Estate Number(s):** 164098-0000; 164099-0000; 164100-0000

Property Acreage: 10.91

**Planning District:** District 2, Greater Arlington/Beaches

City Council District: District 4

**Applicant:** Curtis Hart

Current Land Use: Low Density Residential (LDR)

Proposed Land Use: Business Park (BP)

**Current Zoning:** Residential Low Density-60 (RLD-60)

Proposed Zoning: Industrial Business Park (IBP)

**Development Boundary:** Suburban Area

RECOMMENDATION: APPROVE

#### APPLICANT'S JUSTIFICATION FOR THE LAND USE MAP AMENDMENT

Property abuts LI. Ther proposed land use change from LDR to BP would be compatible with the surrounding area.

# **BACKGROUND**

The 10.91 acre subject site is located along the eastern side of Leon Road between Beach Boulevard (US-90), a principal arterial road, and Leahy Road, an unclassified road. The site is currently being used as residential. The applicant is proposing a Future Land Use Map (FLUM) amendment from Low Density Residential (LDR) to Business Park (BP) to allow for business park uses. The applicant is also proposing a companion rezoning from Residential Low Density-60 (RLD-60) to Industrial Business Park (IBP). The companion rezoning application, which is pending concurrently with this application, pursuant to Ordinance 2024-352.

The adjacent land use categories, zoning districts and property uses are as follows:

North: Land Use: LDR Zoning: RLD-60

Property Use: Single-family, Church, Undeveloped

South: Land Use: Light Industrial (LI), Community/General Commercial (CGC)

Zoning: IBP, Industrial Light (IL), Commercial Community/General-1

(CCG-1), Commercial Community/General-2 (CCG-2) Property Use: Warehousing, Industrial, Commercial

<u>East:</u> Land Use: LDR, Residential Professional Institutional (RPI)

Zoning: Residential Low Density - 100A (RLD-100A), Commercial

Residential Office (CRO)

Property Use: Single-family, Undeveloped

West: Land Use: LDR

Zoning: RLD-60, Planned Unit Development (PUD)

Property Use: Residential

# **IMPACT ASSESSMENT**

Potential impacts of a proposed land use map amendment have been analyzed by comparing the Development Impact Standards for the subject site's existing vs. proposed land use categories unless maximum density/intensity is noted on the Annotated FLUM or is in a site specific policy. Development Impact Standards are detailed in FLUE Policy 1.2.16, *Development Standards for Impact Assessment*. These standards produce development potentials as shown in this section.

**Impact Assessment Baseline Review** 

<b>Development Analysis</b>				
Development Boundary	Suburban Area			
Roadway Frontage Classification / State Road	Leon Road – Unclassified			
Plans and/or Studies	Greater Arlington / Beaches Vision Plan			
Site Utilization	Current:	Proposed:		
	Residential and vacant	Business Park		
Land Use / Zoning	Current: LDR / RLD-60	Proposed: BP / IBP		
Development Standards for Impact Assessment	Current:	Proposed:		
	5 DUs/ Acre	Scenario 1: 0.35 FAR		
		Scenario 2: 15 DUs/Acre		
Development Potential	Current:	Proposed:		
	54 DUs	Scenario 1: 166,333 Sq.		
		Ft.		
		Scenario 2: 163 DUs		

Net Increase or Decrease in Maximum Density	Scenario 1: Decrease	e 54 DUs		
	Scenario 2: Increase of 109 DUs			
Net Increase or Decrease in Potential Floor Area	Scenario 1: Increase of 166,333 Sq. Ft.			
	Scenario 2: not appli	cable		
Population Potential	Current: Proposed:			
	145 people	Scenario 1: Not		
		applicable		
		Scenario 2: 383 people		
Special Designation Areas				
Aquatic Preserve	No			
Evacuation Zone	No			
Airport Environment Zone	No			
Industrial Preservation Area	No			
Cultural Resources	No			
Archaeological Sensitivity	Low			
Historic District	No			
Coastal High Hazard Area	No			
Adaptation Action Area	No			
Groundwater Aquifer Recharge Area	0-4 inches			
Wellhead Protection Zone	No			
Boat Facility Siting Zone	No			
Brownfield	No			
Public Facilities				
Potential Roadway Impact		Scenario 1: 1,560 net new daily trips		
	Scenario 2: 1,028 net new daily trips			
Potential Public School Impact	40 students			
Water Provider	JEA			
Potential Water Impact	Scenario 1 : Decrease of 2,692 gallons per day			
	Scenario 2: Increase of 23,941 gallons per day			
Sewer Provider	JEA			
Potential Sewer Impact		e of 2,109 gallons per day		
	Scenario 2 : Increase of 17,956 gallons per day			
Potential Solid Waste Impact	Scenario 1 : Increase 125 tons per year			
	Scenario 2 : Increase of 283 tons per year			
Drainage Basin/Sub-basin	Intracoastal Waterway / Mill Dam Branch			
Recreation and Parks	Carol Road Park			
Mass Transit Access	JTA Routes 8 and 23	located approximately 0.25 mile		

Development Analysis	
Natural Features	
Elevations	36-48 feet
Land Cover	1100: Residential Low Density 1550: Other Light Industrial 5300: Resevoirs 6170: Mixed Wetland hardwoods
Soils	6250: Hyrdric Pine Flatwoods  22- Evergreen Wesconnett Complex  32- Leon Fine Sand  35- Lynn Haven Fine Sand  71- Urban Land
Flood Zones	5.53 acres AO Flood Zone
Wetlands	3.91 acres
Wildlife (applicable to sites greater than 50 acres)	N/A

#### **Utility Capacity**

The calculations to determine the water and sewer flows contained in this report and/or this spreadsheet have been established by the City of Jacksonville Planning and Development Department and have been adopted by JEA solely for the purpose of preparing this report and/or this spreadsheet. The method of calculating water and sewer flows in order to properly size infrastructure shall continue to be based on JEA's Water, Sewer and Reuse for New Development Projects document (latest edition).

The applicant has provided a JEA Availability Letter dated May 3, 2024. According to the letter, no water main abuts the property, and a water main extension will be required. The nearest water main is 330 feet south of the property. No sewer main abuts the property and to connect, the property will require a sewer main extension from the nearest main, which is located 125 feet south of the property.

#### Future Land Use Element

Policy 1.2.8

Require new development and redevelopment in the Central Business District (CBD), Urban Priority Area (UPA), Urban Area (UA), and Suburban Area (SA) to be served by centralized wastewater collection and potable water distribution systems when centralized service is available to the site.

Development on sites located within the UPA, UA and SA are permitted where connections to centralized potable water and/or wastewater are not available subject to compliance the following provisions:

1. Single family/non-residential (estimated flows of 600 gpd or less) where the collection system of a regional utility company is not available

through gravity service via a facility within a right-of-way or easement which abuts the property.

- 2. Non-residential (above 600 gpd) where the collection system of a regional utility company is not within 50 feet of the property.
- 3. Subdivision (non-residential and residential) where:
- a. The collection system of a regional utility company is greater than 1/4 mile from the proposed subdivision.
- b. Each lot is a minimum of  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre unsubmerged property.
- c. Installation of dryline sewer systems shall be installed when programmed improvements are identified in the Capital Improvements Element which will make connections the JEA Collection Systems available within a five (5) year period.

#### **Transportation**

The subject site is 10.91 acres and is located along Leon Road, a local street north of Beach Boulevard. The proposed land use amendment is located within the Suburban Development Area and Mobility Zone 7. The applicant proposes to change the existing land use from Low Density Residential (LDR) to Business Park (BP).

# **Comprehensive Plan Consistency:**

The Trip Generation Analysis is consistent with the most recent version of the Transportation Element (TE) of the City of Jacksonville Comprehensive Plan (TE Objective 2.4 and Policies 1.2.1 and 2.4.2).

#### Transportation Element

- Policy 1.2.1 The City shall use the Institute of Transportation Engineers *Trip Generation Manual*, latest edition, to determine the number of trips to be produced or attracted to a particular land use when assessing a traffic impact.
- Objective 2.4 The City shall coordinate the mobility circulation system with the future land uses shown on the Future Land Use Map series in order to ensure that roads, road improvements and other mobility alternative improvements are provided as necessary to support development in an economically efficient and environmentally sound manner.
- Policy 2.4.2 The City shall amend the adopted Comprehensive Plan to incorporate the data and analysis generated by a periodic regional transportation model and study and facilitate the implementation of the study recommendations.

#### **Trip Generation Estimation:**

Table A provides the daily trip generation comparison between the current and proposed comprehensive plan land uses and the potential transportation impacts on the roadway network. The current LDR land use would result in 509 daily trips. If the land use is amended to allow for this proposed BP development, this will result in 2,069 and 1,537 daily trips, depending on scenario.

#### **Transportation Planning Division RECOMMENDS the following:**

The difference in daily trips for the proposed land use amendment has 1,560 and 1,028 net new daily trips when compared to the existing land use. The Transportation Planning Division recommends ongoing coordinating efforts with the City of Jacksonville Traffic Engineer to determine if a traffic operational analysis is needed.

Table A
Trip Generation Estimation Scenarios

Current Land Use-Scenario	ITE Land Use Code	Potential Number of Units	Estimation Method	Gross Trips	Less Pass-By Trips	Daily Trips
LDR	210	54 SF Dus	T= 9.43 (X)	509	0	509
				Total Trips for Existing Land Use- Scenario		509
Proposed Land Use-Scenario 1	ITE Land Use Code	Potential Number of Units	Estimation Method	Gross Trips	Less Pass-By Trips	Daily Trips
BP 770	770	166,333	T = 12.44 (X) /1000	2,069	0	2,069
				Total Trips for Proposed Land Use- Scenario 1		2,069
Proposed Land Use-Scenario 2	ITE Land Use Code	Potential Number of Units	Estimation Method	Gross Trips		Less Pass-By Trips
BP 210 163 MFDUs	163 MFDUs	T = 9.43 (X)	1,537	0	1,537	
					ips for Proposed Use- Scenario 2	1,537
		N2	Scenari	io 1 Difference in Daily Trips		1,560
			Scenario 2 Difference in Daily Trips		1,028	

Source: Trip Generation Manual, 11th Edition, Institute of Engineers

#### **School Capacity**

Based on the impact assessment standards detailed in FLUE Policy 1.2.16, the 10.91 acre proposed land use map amendment has a development potential of 163 dwelling units. The proposed development was analyzed in accordance with the adopted level of service standards (LOS) for school capacity as established in the Interlocal Agreement (ILA) and the Public Schools and Facilities Element. The ILA was entered into in coordination with the Duval County Public School System (DCPS) and the other municipalities within Duval County.

School concurrency LOS is the methodology used to analyze and to determine whether there is adequate school capacity for each school type (elementary, middle, and high school) to accommodate a proposed development. The LOS (105% of permanent capacity) is based on Concurrency Service Areas (CSAs), not the closest school in the

area for elementary, middle and high schools, as well as on other standards set forth in the City of Jacksonville School Concurrency Ordinance.

In evaluating the proposed residential development for school concurrency, the following results were documented:

The Student Distribution Rate is calculated for each school type by dividing the total number of public school students enrolled in that school type in Duval County (104,757) by the number of total permitted housing units (418,708) for the same year, generating a yield of 0,250. Analysis based on maximum dwelling units: 163 NOTES: 2 Student Distribution Rate Proposed Development's Concurrenty Service Area (CSA) HS-.074 MS-.051 ES-,125 Application Review Request: Proposed Name: School Type Elementary Middle High Requested By: Reviewed By: Krista Fogerty Levonne Griggs COJ PDD: School impact Analysis L-5918-24C CSA1 w 2023-24
Enrollment/CSA 4,155 2,062 7,334 **Total New Students** Current Utilization (%) 82% 73% 71% Development' New Student/ 20 40 12 ço 5-Year Utilization
(%) 56% 75% 85% CSA3 1,459 328 671 Available Seats -Adjaceut CSA 4&5 2,293 1,056 1,381

<sup>3</sup> Available CSA seats include current reservations

The available seats in the CSA and adjacent CSAs include concurrency reservations.

The analysis of the proposed residential development does not reveal any deficiency for school capacity within the CSA.

#### Public School Facilities Element

- Policy 2.3.2 The City will coordinate with DCPS to establish plan review procedures to manage the timing of Future Land Use Map amendments and other land use decisions so that these decisions coordinate with adequate school capacity.
- Policy 2.3.3 The City will take into consideration the DCPS comments and findings on the availability of adequate school capacity in the evaluation of comprehensive plan amendments, and other land use decisions as provided in Section 163.3177(6)(a), F.S. and development of regional impacts as provided in 1380.06, F.S
- Objective 3.1 Adopted Level of Service (LOS) Standards
  Through the implementation of its concurrency management systems and in coordination with the DCPS, the City shall ensure that the capacity of schools is sufficient to support new residential developments at the adopted level of service (LOS) standards within the period covered in the five-year schedule of capital improvements and the long range planning period. These standards shall be consistent with the Interlocal Agreement agreed upon by the DCPS, the City and the other municipalities. Minor deviations to the LOS standards may occur, so long as they are limited, temporary and with scheduled capacity
  - Policy 3.1.1 The LOS standards set forth herein shall be applied consistently for the purpose of implementing school concurrency, including determining whether sufficient school capacity exists to accommodate a particular development application, and determining the financial feasibility of DCPS Five-Year Capital Facilities Plan and the City's Capital Improvement Plan.

improvements, school capacity is maximized to the greatest extent

# <u>Supplemental School Information:</u>

feasible.

The following additional information regarding the capacity of the assigned neighborhood schools was provided by the Duval County School Board. This is not based on criteria utilized by the City of Jacksonville School Concurrency Ordinance. Note that the percentage occupied may not appear correct due to EE space requirements.

Analysis based on maximum dwelling units: Southside Estates #76 Southside MS #211 Application Review Request: Englewood #90 SCHOOL<sup>1</sup> Proposed Name: Requested By: Reviewed By: 163 Levonne Griggs L-5918-24C COJ PDD: Baseline Checklist Review Krista Fogarty CSA w w w STUDENTS GENERATED 12 20 40 8 (Permanent/Portables SCHOOL CAPACITY<sup>3</sup> 1864 977 647 INEINVEOLINE 1726 848 476 % OCCUPIED 87% 93% 74% 4 YEAR PROJECTION 98% 79% 69%

NOTES:

Attendance school may not be in proposed development's Concurrency Service Area (CSA).

<sup>2</sup> Student Distribution Rate

HS-.074 MS-.051 ES-.125

0.250

The Student Distribution Rate is calculated for each school type by dividing the total number of public school students enrolled in that school type in Duval County (104,757) by the number of

total permitted housing units (418,708) for the same year, generating a yield of 0.250. 3 Does not include ESE & room exclusions

#### **Archaeological Sensitivity**

According to the Duval County Archaeological Predictive Model, the subject property is located within an area of low sensitivity for the presence of archaeological resources. If archaeological resources are found during future development/redevelopment of the site, Section 654.122 of the Code of Subdivision Regulations should be followed.

#### Historic Preservation Element

- Policy 1.2.2 The City shall continue to review new development for the potential of archeologically significant sites. The City shall utilize the most current version of the Archeological Sensitivity Predictive Model to identify areas of high probability for artifact concentrations.
- Policy 1.2.5 The Planning and Development Department shall maintain and update for planning and permitting purposes, a series of GIS data layers and maps depicting recorded archaeological sites, historic districts and local landmarks.

#### **Aquifer Recharge**

The site is located within an area identified as being in the 0 to 4 inch per year aquifer recharge area. This range is below the threshold of 12 inches or more per year which would constitute a prime recharge area as defined in the Infrastructure Element – Aquifer Recharge Sub-Element (IE-AR). Prime aquifer recharge areas are the primary focus of groundwater resource protection. However, development resulting from the proposed land use amendment will be reviewed during the site plan review and permitting process for compliance with the land development regulations that have been established to protect groundwater resources. Such regulations address issues such as drainage systems, septic systems, and landscape/irrigation regulations.

# <u>Infrastructure Element – Aquifer Recharge Sub-Element (IE-AR)</u>

- Policy 1.2.3 The City shall continue to coordinate with the SJRWMD and utilize the best available resources and information including the latest update of the Floridian Aquifer Recharge GIS grid coverage to protect the functions of the natural groundwater aquifer recharge areas and to discourage urban sprawl.
- Policy 1.2.7 Within two years of establishment by the SJRWMD and the Water Resources Management Plan of prime recharge areas for the Floridan Aquifer, the Planning and Development Department shall prepare maps of such designated areas showing the special zoning and land use consideration the City has established for such areas as designated by the latest update of the Floridan Aquifer Recharge GIS grid coverage.

#### Wetlands

Review of City data indicates the potential existence of wetlands on the subject site and as such, a wetlands survey has been provided by the City's GIS analysis that indicates

the location, size, quality and functional value of all wetlands located within the boundaries of the application site. Based on the information noted below, the proposed amendment is consistent with the Conservation/Coastal Management Element (CCME) wetlands policies.

# Wetlands Characteristics:

Approximate Size: 1.63 acres

General Location(s): The wetlands are in two areas of the eastern portion of the

application site. The smaller wetland pocket (0,42 of an acre) is a portion of a larger isolated pocket located on the southern property boundary. The larger wetland (1.21 acres) is located adjacent to the eastern property boundary and is also a portion of a larger isolated wetland area located to the north,

east and south of the application site.

Quality/Functional

Value: The wetland has a medium functional value for the smaller

wetland pocket (0.42 of an acre) and a high functional value for the larger wetland area (1.21 acres) for water filtration attenuation and flood water capacity. Both areas are in the AO Flood Zone and have an indirect impact on the City's

waterways.

Soil Types/

Characteristics: (22) Evergreen-Wesconnett complex – The Evergreen and

Wesconnett series consists of nearly level, very poorly drained, soils. The Evergreen soils formed in decomposed organic materials underlain by thick sandy marine sediments while the Wesconnett soils formed in thick sandy marine sediments. Both soils are located in depressions and are moderately permeable and moderately slowly permeable. The high water table is at or above the soil surface for very long

periods.

Wetland Category: Category III

Consistency of

Permitted Uses: Category III Wetlands: Uses permitted subject to the

limitations of CCME Policy 4.1.6 shown below – conservation

uses permitted.

**Environmental Resource** 

Permit (ERP): Not provided by the applicant and none exists according to

the St. Johns River Water Management District web site.

Wetlands Impact: None proposed at this time.

Associated Impacts: Associated with the AO Flood Zone.

Relevant Policies: CCME Policies 4.1.3 and 4.1.6

# **CCME Policy 4.1.3**

The following performance standards shall apply to all development, except public utilities and roadways, permitted within Category I, II, and III wetlands:

#### (a) Encroachment

Encroachment in Category I, II, or III wetlands is the least damaging and no practicable on-site alternative exists; and

#### (b) No net loss

Development is designed and located in such a manner that there is no net loss to the wetland functions including but not limited to:

- i the habitat of fish, wildlife and threatened or endangered species,
- ii the abundance and diversity of fish, wildlife and threatened or endangered species,
- iii the food sources of fish and wildlife including those which are threatened or endangered,
- iv the water quality of the wetland, and
- the flood storage and flood conveyance capabilities of the wetland; and

#### (c) Floodplain protection

Buildings are built at an elevation of sufficient height to meet the designated flood zone standards as set forth by the Federal Emergency Management Agency. The design must be in conformance with Chapter 652 (Floodplain Regulations) of the Ordinance Code; and

#### (d) Stormwater quality

In the design and review of developments which will discharge stormwater into the Category I, II, or III wetlands the following performance standards shall be used to protect water quality:

- i Issuance of a Management and Storage of Surface Waters permit pursuant to Chapter 40C-4 or 40C-40, F.A.C. or a stormwater permit issued pursuant to Chapter 40C-42, F.A.C., provides assurances necessary for compliance with subsections (i) (iv) above provided the stormwater management system is constructed in accordance with the permit; and
- ii Regular monitoring and maintenance program on an annual basis for the performance of stormwater treatment systems

(e) Septic tanks

Septic tanks, drainfields and/or greywater systems are located outside the Category I, II, or III wetland area and not within 75 feet of the mean high water line of tidal bodies or within 75 feet of any wetland unless the Duval County Health Department grants a variance for a hardship case pursuant to the provisions of Section 381.0065, F.S. Where public utilities are available, development is required to connect to these facilities; and

(f) Hydrology

The design of the fill shall include measures to maintain the wetlands hydrology of the site.

#### **CCME Policy 4.1.6**

The permitted uses within Category III wetlands shall be limited to the following land uses and associated standards, provided such use is consistent with the Future Land Use Map series (FLUMs)

- (1) Any use not otherwise listed below, provided all of the basic requirements outlined in Policy 4.1.3 above are met:
  - (a) Silvicultural uses, provided the following standards are met:

Best Management Practices: Silviculture

Such activities are conducted in compliance with the provisions of the "Silvicultural Best Management Practices Manual", as may be amended, published by the Florida Division of Forestry, Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services.

(b) Agricultural uses, provided the following standards are met:

Best Management Practices: Agriculture

Such activities are to be in compliance with Chapter 40C-44, F.A.C.

(2) Any use that can be shown to be clearly in the public interest, subject to the requirements of (a), (b), (d) and (f) as noted in the performance standards outlined in Policy 4.1.3 above.

#### Flood Zones

The eastern half (approximately 5.71 acres) of the subject site is located within the AO Flood Zone. Flood zone designations are assigned by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA). FEMA defines the various flooding characteristics of different lands based on a 100-year storm. The 100-year storm or Special Flood Hazard Area (SFHA) refers to a flood occurring from a storm event that happens an average of

every 100 years. This does not mean that a storm of this type will happen every 100 years. There is a 1-percent chance that a storm of this magnitude will occur in any given year.

The AO Flood Zone are areas of relatively shallow flooding within the 100-year floodplain or SFHA. Flood insurance is mandatory within the AO flood zone. Any development within the floodplain will be required to comply with Chapter 652, the Floodplain Management Ordinance.

# Conservation / Coastal Management Element (CCME)

- Policy 2.6.1 The City shall continue to define the surface hydrology of the area to determine flood plain vulnerability and sensitivity and will determine appropriate protection measures.
- Policy 2.6.3 The City shall protect appropriate floodplain areas for the public benefit and restore degraded floodplain areas by:
  - A. Land acquisition or conservation easement acquisition.
  - B. Regulation, including setbacks, buffer zones, designated wildlife corridors, low density zoning, performance standards and open space requirements; and
  - C. Incentives, including tax benefits and transfer of development rights.
- Policy 13.7.10 The City has adopted and shall maintain a floodplain management ordinance that establishes engineering requirements to safeguard the public health, safety, and general welfare and minimizes public and private losses due to flooding through regulation and development of flood hazard areas. The ordinance shall include development and redevelopment regulations that:
  - A. Minimize unnecessary disruption of commerce, access and public service during times of flooding;
  - B. Require the use of construction practices that will prevent or minimize future flood damage;
  - C. Manage filling, grading, dredging, mining, paving, excavation, drilling operations, storage of equipment or materials, and other development which may increase flood damage or erosion potential;
  - D. Manage the alteration of flood hazard areas, watercourses, and shorelines to minimize the impact of development on the natural and beneficial functions of the floodplain;
  - E. Minimize damage to public and private facilities and utilities;
  - F. Help maintain a stable tax base by providing for the sound use and development of flood hazard areas;
  - G. Minimize the need for future expenditure of public funds for flood control projects and response to and recovery from flood events: and

H. Meet the requirements of the National Flood Insurance Program for community participation as set forth in the Title 44 Code of Federal Regulations, Section 59.22.

# PROCEDURAL COMPLIANCE

Upon site inspection by the Planning and Development Department on May 16, 2024, the required notices of public hearing signs were posted. Twenty-seven (27) notices were mailed out to adjoining property owners informing them of the proposed land use change and pertinent public hearing and meeting dates.

The Citizen Information Meeting was held on May 20, 2024. No members of the public attended to speak on the proposed amendment.

# **CONSISTENCY EVALUATION**

Consistency with 2045 Comprehensive Plan Goals, Objectives and Policies

Future Land Use Element (FLUE)

#### Development Area

Suburban Area (SA): The SA is the third tier Development Area and generally corresponds with the urbanizing portions of the City in areas that have usually been developed after consolidation. Development should generally continue at low densities with medium density development at major corridor intersections and transit stations. Development at these locations should promote a compact and interconnected land development form and is therefore encouraged to employ urban development characteristics as defined in this Plan.

Goal 1

To ensure that the character and location of land uses optimize the combined potentials for economic benefit, enjoyment, wellness and protection of natural resources, while minimizing the threat to health, safety and welfare posed by hazards, nuisances, incompatible land uses and environmental degradation.

Policy 1.1.21

Rezonings and amendments to the Future Land Use Map series (FLUMs) shall include consideration of their potential to further the goal of meeting or exceeding the amount of land required to accommodate anticipated growth and the projected population and to allow for the operation of real estate markets to provide adequate choices for permanent and seasonal residents and business with the intent that this balance of uses shall:

- A. Foster vibrant, viable communities and economic development opportunities;
- B. Address outdated development patterns; and/or

C. Provide sufficient land for future uses that allow for the operation of real estate markets to provide adequate choices for permanent and seasonal residents and businesses and is not limited solely by the projected population.

The projected growth needs and population projections must be based on relevant and appropriate data which is collected pursuant to a professionally acceptable methodology. In considering the growth needs and the allocation of land, the City shall also evaluate land use need based on the characteristics and land development pattern of localized areas. Land use need identifiers include but may not be limited to, proximity to compatible uses, development scale, site limitations, and the likelihood of furthering growth management and mobility goals.

- Policy 1.1.22
- Future development orders, development permits and plan amendments shall maintain compact and compatible land use patterns, maintain an increasingly efficient urban service delivery system and discourage urban sprawl as described in the Development Areas and the Plan Category Descriptions of the Operative Provisions.
- Policy 1.2.8

Require new development and redevelopment in the Central Business District (CBD), Urban Priority Area (UPA), Urban Area (UA), and Suburban Area (SA) to be served by centralized wastewater collection and potable water distribution systems when centralized service is available to the site.

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- 1. Single family/non-residential (estimated flows of 600 gpd or less) where the collection system of a regional utility company is not available through gravity service via a facility within a right-of-way or easement which abuts the property.
- 2. Non-residential (above 600 gpd) where the collection system of a regional utility company is not within 50 feet of the property.
- 3. Subdivision (non-residential and residential) where:
- a. The collection system of a regional utility company is greater than 1/4 mile from the proposed subdivision.
- b. Each lot is a minimum of ½ acre unsubmerged property.

c. Installation of dryline sewer systems shall be installed when programmed improvements are identified in the Capital Improvements Element which will make connections the JEA Collection Systems available within a five (5) year period.

#### Goal 3

To achieve a well-balanced and organized combination of residential, non-residential, recreational and public uses served by a convenient and efficient transportation network, while protecting and preserving the fabric and character of the City's neighborhoods and enhancing the viability of non-residential areas.

#### Objective 3.2

Promote and sustain the viability of existing and emerging commercial and industrial areas in order to achieve an integrated land use fabric which will offer a full range of employment, shopping, and leisure opportunities to support the City's residential areas.

Policy 3.2.1

The City shall encourage development of commercial and light/service industrial uses in the form of nodes, corridor development, centers or parks.

#### Property Rights Element (PRE)

Goal 1

The City will recognize and respect judicially acknowledged and constitutionally protected private property rights in accordance with the Community Planning Act established in Chapter 163, Florida Statues.

- Objective 1.1 Local decision making shall be implemented and applied with sensitivity for private property rights and shall not be unduly restrictive.
- Policy 1.1.1 The City will ensure that private property rights are considered in local decision making.
- Policy 1.1.2 The following rights shall be considered in local decision making:
  - The right of a property owner to physically possess and control his or her interests in the property, including easements, leases, or mineral rights.
  - 2. The right of a property owner to use, maintain, develop, and improve his or her property for personal use or for the use of any other person, subject to state law and local ordinances.
  - 3. The right of the property owner to privacy and to exclude others from the property to protect the owner's possessions and property.
  - 4. The right of a property owner to dispose of his or her property through sale or gift.

According to the Future Land Use Element (FLUE), Low Density Residential (LDR) is a category intended to provide for low density residential development. Generally, single-family detached housing should be the predominant development typology in this category.

Business Park (BP) is a category primarily intended to accommodate business offices and low intensity light industrial uses. Uses, with the exception of ancillary and accessory outside storage uses, shall be conducted within an enclosed building. Business offices should comprise the majority of the category land area, while service, major institutional and light industrial uses constitute the remaining land area. Limited commercial retail and service establishments, hotels, and motels may also be permitted. Residential uses are also permitted in appropriate locations as identified under the Development Area Uses and densities. The maximum gross density in Suburban Area shall be 20 units/acre and there shall be no minimum density.

The applicant is proposing a change from LDR and BP to allow for business park uses. The northern portion of the subject site abuts LDR designated land with single family residential uses. The site is surrounded by LDR designated land to the northeast, north and west, while the land southwest, south, and southeast is designated as a mix of CGC and IL uses. Therefore, the amendment to BP would allow for a logical transition of densities and intensities of uses between the neighboring LI and LDR designated areas, consistent with FLUE Goal 1 and Policies 1.1.21 and 1.1.22.

Additionally, the proposed change to BP would maintain compatibility with the surrounding area, including the LI designated land to south and the LDR designated land to the north, while providing additional industrial land to serve the future growth needs of the City, consistent with FLUE Goal 3, Objective 3.2, and Policies 1.1.21, 1.1.22, and 3.2.1.

The applicant has a JEA Availability Letter dated May 3, 2024. According to the letter, no water main abuts the property, and a water main extension will be required. The nearest water main is 330 feet south of the property. No sewer main abuts the property and to connect, the property will require a sewer main extension from the nearest main, which is located 125 feet south of the property. The proposed development will be required to connect to water and sewer in accordance with FLUE Policy 1.2.8.

The proposed small-scale amendment would increase the amount of industrial designated land available to further meet the goal of meeting or exceeding the amount of land required to accommodate anticipated growth. Additionally, the property is underutilized land and is considered infill redevelopment. Thus, the proposed amendment is consistent with FLUE Policy 1.1.21.

The proposed amendment does not hinder the private property rights of the owner of record; has no impact on the right of the property owner to possess or control his or her interest in the property; maintains the owner's ability to use, maintain, develop and improve the property; protects the owner's right to privacy and security; and maintains the

ability of the property owner to dispose of the property at their discretion. Therefore, the amendment is consistent with PRE Goal 1, Objective 1.1 and Policies 1.1.1 and 1.1.2.

#### Vision Plan

The subject property is located within the boundaries of the Greater Arlington/Beaches Vision Plan. Guiding Principle 2.1 states, "Promote greater density/diversity of land uses in appropriate locations". The proposed amendment to BP would allow for an increase in the diversity of uses in the area, while providing a gradual transition of uses in the area between the LI and LDR land uses abutting the site. Therefore, the proposed amendment is consistent with Guiding Principle 2.1 of the Greater Arlington/Beaches Vision Plan.

#### **Strategic Regional Policy Plan**

The proposed amendment is consistent with the following Objective and Policy of the Strategic Regional Policy Plan, Regional Transportation Subject Area:

Objective: Integrated planning: The link between land use, resources, and mobility

Policy 4: The Region supports strategies identified by the Regional Community Institute as they worked on First Coast Vision, including:

- Maintenance of a diversity of land use in the Region.
- Infill and redevelopment.

The proposed land use amendment would increase opportunities for industrial development, helping to maintain a diversity of land use in the area. Therefore, the proposed amendment is consistent with the Strategic Regional Policy Plan.

# LAND USE AMENDMENT FIELD / LOCATION / CURRENT LAND USE MAP

