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December 7, 2023

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. 2023-787/Application No. L-5874-23C

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 2023-787 on December 7, 2023.

Pⅅ Recommendation	APPROVE			
PC Issues:	None			
PC Vote:	7-0 APPROVE			
Charles Garrison, Chair	Aye			

Lamonte Carter	Aye
Amy Yimin Fu	Absent
Julius Harden	Aye
Moné Holder	Aye
Ali Marar	Aye
Michael McGowan	Aye
Jack Meeks	Absent
Tina Meskel	Aye

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

Sincerely,

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Report of the Jacksonville Planning and Development Department

Small-Scale Future Land Use Map Amendment – December 1, 2023

Ordinance/Application No.:	2023-787 / L-5874-23C
Property Location:	8231 Messer Road, Between Johnson Terrace and Garden Street
Real Estate Number(s):	002851 0010
Property Acreage:	2.12 Acres
Planning District:	District 5, Northwest
City Council District:	Districts 12
Applicant:	Richard Wright
Current Land Use:	Agriculture (AGR)
Proposed Land Use:	Rural Residential (RR)
Development Area:	Suburban Development Area
Current Zoning:	Agriculture (AGR)
Proposed Zoning:	Residential Rural - Acre (RR-Acre)
City Council District: Applicant: Current Land Use: Proposed Land Use: Development Area: Current Zoning:	Richard Wright Agriculture (AGR) Rural Residential (RR) Suburban Development Area Agriculture (AGR)

RECOMMENDATION: Approve

APPLICANT'S JUSTIFICATION FOR THE LAND USE MAP AMENDMENT

The applicant seeks this land use amendment to split a parcel into two separate 1-acre lots.

BACKGROUND

The 2.12-acre subject site is located on the northeast corner of Messer Road and Johnson Court, between Johnson Terrace to the north and Garden Street to the south. According to the City's Functional Highways Classification Map, Messer Road and Johnson Court are unclassified roadways.

The applicant seeks an amendment to the Future Land Use Map series (FLUMs) of the Future Land Use Element (FLUE) of the 2045 Comprehensive Plan from Agriculture (AGR) to Rural Residential (RR). The maximum gross density in the AGR category is 1

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unit per 2.5 acres in all Development Areas. The parcel is entirely surrounded by land in the AGR land use category. The allowed density in the Rural Residential land use category in the Suburban Development Area, when, as in this case, the site does not have access to centralized potable water and/or wastewater is 1 unit per acre. Therefore, the applicant is requesting this land use change so the owners can split the lot and allow the construction of residences on each portion. Currently, the lot contains two single-family residences that are non-conforming under the current land use. A companion rezoning application is pending concurrently with the land use application via Ordinance 2023-788, which seeks to change the zoning district from Agriculture (AGR) to Residential Rural-Acre (RR-Acre).

Surrounding the site are a few houses and undeveloped land:

<u>North:</u> Land Use: Agriculture (AGR) Zoning: Agriculture (AGR) Property Use: Undeveloped land Single Family Residential (SFR)

<u>South:</u> Land Use: AGR Zoning: AGR Property Use: Undeveloped and SFR

- <u>East:</u> Land Use: AGR Zoning: AGR Property Use: Undeveloped and SFR
- <u>West:</u> Land Use: AGR Zoning: AGR Property Use: Undeveloped

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.

Land Use Amendment Impact Assessment

Development Analysis 2.12 Acres / 92,347.2 sq. ft.				
Development Boundary	Suburban Development Area			
Roadway Frontage Classification / State	Corner of Messer Rd. and Johnson Ct. – Both			
Road	are Local Roads			
Plans and/or Studies	Northwest Vision Plan (5)			
Site Utilization	Current: Proposed:			

Development Analysis 2.12	2 Acres / 92,347.2 sq.	ft.
· · · ·	2 SF DU	2 SF DU
Land Use / Zoning	Current:	Proposed:
	AGR / AGR	RR / RR-Acre
Development Standards for Impact	Current:	Proposed:
Assessment	1 DU / 2.5 Acres	1 DU / Acre
Development Potential	Current:	Proposed:
	0 DU	2 DU
Net Increase or Decrease in Maximum	Increase of 2 DU	
Density		
Net Increase or Decrease in Potential Floor Area	None	
Population Potential	Current:	Proposed:
	0	5 People
Special Designation Areas		
Aquatic Preserve	No	
Evacuation Zone	Zone E	
Airport Environment Zone	500' for JIA and OLF	Whitehouse
Industrial Preservation Area	No	
Cultural Resources	None	
Archaeological Sensitivity	No	
Historic District	No	
Coastal High Hazard	No	
Adaptation Action Area	Yes (100%)	
Groundwater Aquifer Recharge Area	Discharge	
Wellhead Protection Zone	No	
Boat Facility Siting Zone	No	
Brownfield	No	
Public Facilities		
Potential Roadway Impact	19 net new daily trips	S
Potential Public School Impact	N/A	
Water Provider	Well	
Potential Water Impact	Increase 532 gpd	
Sewer Provider	Septic	
Potential Sewer Impact	Increase 399 gpd	
Potential Solid Waste Impact	Increase 5.20 tons p	er year
Drainage Basin/Sub-basin	Trout River / Bay Dra	ain
Recreation and Parks	Dinsmore Center & I	Park
Mass Transit Access	No	
Natural Features		
Elevations	21' - 22'	
Land Cover	1100: Residential, lo	w density - less than 2
	dwelling units/acre	-
	6300: Wetland fores	ted mixed
Soils	78: Yonges fine sand	dy loam, 0 to 2% slopes

Development Analysis 2.	2.12 Acres / 92,347.2 sq. ft.		
	86: Yulee clay, depressional, 0 to 2% slopes		
Flood Zones	AE (100%)		
Wetlands	No		
Wildlife (applicable to sites greater than	N/A		
50 acres)			

Utility Capacity

The calculations to determine the water and sewer flows contained in this report and/or this spreadsheet have been 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 established shall continue to be based on JEA's Water, Sewer and Reuse for New Development Projects document (latest edition).

According to the applicant, centralized water and sewer are not available at the subject site.

The RR land use limits residential density to 1 unit per acre when water and sewer services are not available to serve development.

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 2.12 acres and is accessible from Messer Rd, a local facility. The proposed land use amendment is located within the Suburban Development Area and Mobility Zone 5. The applicant proposes to change the existing land use from Agriculture (AGR) to Rural Residential (RR).

Comprehensive Plan Consistency:

The Trip Generation Analysis is consistent with 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 land use would result in 0 daily trips. If the land use is amended to allow for this proposed RR development, this will result in 19 daily trips.

Transportation Planning Division <u>RECOMMENDS</u> the following:

The difference in daily trips for the proposed land use amendment will result in 19 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
AGR	210	0 SF DUs	T = 9.43 (X)	0	0	0
				Existing Scenario Total		0
Proposed Land Use Scenario	ITE Land Use Code	Potential Number of Units	Estimation Method	Gross Trips	Less Pass-By Trips	Daily Trips
RR	210	2 SF DUs	T = 9.43 (X)	19	0	19
				Proposed Scenario Total	19	

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

School Impacts

While the proposed amendment includes a residential component, the site will generate 20 residential units or less. Therefore, the proposed development will have a de minimis impact on school capacity.

Evacuation Zone E

The subject site is within Evacuation Zone E. As such, the land use application was routed to the City's Emergency Preparedness Division (EPD) for review and comment. EPD was provided with the land use application and the development potential of the proposed land use amendment change. Per EPD's attached memo, it was determined that the impact of the subject small scale land use amendment on countywide evacuation timing would be negligible. EPD provided the following comment:

The proposed property in land use amendment L-5874-23C will be in close proximity to Imeson Road, indicating sufficient access to I-295 (5.72 road miles) and I-10 (9.63 road miles), primary evacuation routes.

In consideration of the surrounding evacuation zones (Zone E and Zone D), nearest evacuation routes, and the estimate of 19 additional daily trips the development of the proposed property would not create a localized impact to the traffic flow on I-295 and I-10 during an emergency evacuation scenario. The changes proposed through land use amendment application L-5874-23C would have a minimal impact on countywide evacuation clearance time within Duval County. Site design techniques that minimize disruption to existing traffic flow are encouraged. Any development should incorporate appropriate mitigation techniques to reduce flood vulnerability and minimize impacts to the floodplain.

Conservation /Coastal Management Element (CCME)

Policy 7.1.6 The City shall not amend the Future Land Use Element or the Future Land Use Map series unless; the requested change can be determined to not exceed the established hurricane evacuation times; the requested

change is for a lower density; or the requested change for increased density provides adequate remedies to reduce impacts on hurricane evacuation times which exceed the acceptable standard.

Airport Environmental Zone

The site is located within the 500-foot Height and Hazard Zone for both OLF Whitehouse and the Jacksonville International Airport. Zoning will limit development to a maximum height of 500 feet, unless approved by the Jacksonville Aviation Authority or the Federal Aviation Administration. Uses located within the Height and Hazard Zone must not create or increase the potential for such hazards as electronic interference, light glare, bird strike hazards or other potential hazards to safe navigation of aircraft as required by Section 656.1005.1(d).

Future Land Use Element

- Objective 2.6 Support and strengthen the role of Jacksonville Aviation Authority (JAA) and the United States Military in the local community, and recognize the unique requirements of the City's other airports (civilian and military) by requiring that all adjacent development be compatible with aviation-related activities in accordance with the requirements of Section 163.3177, F.S.
- Policy 2.6.16 Airport Height and Hazard zones (HH) exist around all military and civilian airports within the city limits of Jacksonville. The horizontal limits of the zones and limitations on heights of obstructions within these zones are defined for each military airport in Naval Facilities Engineering Command (NAVFAC) P-80.3 01/82, on file with the Planning and Development Department, and for each civilian airport in Title 14, Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), Part 77 guidelines, on file with the Planning and Development Department. In order to assure that Title 14, CFR, Part 77 guidelines and NAVFAC P-80.3 01/82 guidelines are not exceeded and that no structure or obstruction is permitted that would raise a minimal obstruction clearance altitude, a minimum vectoring descent altitude or a decision height, all cell towers and any structure or obstruction that would extend into an Airport (HH) requires, in writing, comment from the U.S. Navy. Although written documentation from the U.S. Navy for military HH and from the FAA or JAA for civilian HH is not required for proposed structure heights below the listed height, United States Code (USC) Title 14, CFR Part 77 still applies.

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.

Adaptation Action Area

The amendment site is within the AAA. The AAA boundary is a designation in the City's 2045 Comprehensive Plan which identifies areas that experience coastal flooding due to extreme high tides and storm surge, and that is vulnerable to the related impacts of rising sea levels for the purpose of prioritizing funding for infrastructure needs and adaptation planning. The AAA is defined as those areas within the projected limit of the Category 3 storm surge zone, those connected areas of the 100-year and 500-year Flood Zone, and additional areas determined through detailed flood analysis.

The applicant is encouraged to consider site design measures, such as clustering development away from the AAA, to protect development from the impacts of flooding.

Conservation/Coastal Management Element

- Policy 13.1.2 The City shall recognize existing regulations, programs and policies that overlap with the AAA and that are currently in place to limit public investment and address appropriate development and redevelopment practices related to flooding. These regulations, programs and policies include but are not limited to the floodplain management ordinance, CHHA policies, the Local Mitigation Strategy and the Post Disaster Redevelopment Plan and shall only be applied in cases where such regulation would otherwise apply to a development or redevelopment project.
- Policy 13.3.1 The City shall consider the implications of the AAA when reviewing changes to the use, intensity and density of land lying within the AAA.
- Policy 13.3.6 In order to guide development away from the Adaptation Action Area (AAA) towards areas that are already high, dry, and connected, the Planning and Development Department shall explore the feasibility of offering density bonuses, transfers of development rights, clustering development entitlements, or other strategies to limit new development within the AAA or environmentally sensitive or special flood hazard areas, or as an incentive for a development's use of low impact development stormwater solutions.

Flood Zone

The subject site is located within the AE 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. AE flood zones are areas within the 100-year floodplain, or SFHA, where flood insurance is mandatory. 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 November 21, 2023, the required notices of public hearing signs were posted. Ten (10) 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 November 20, 2023, for the adoption of the small-scale land use amendment. There were no members of the public present to comment on or ask questions about the land use 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 further described in each land use plan category.

- 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.
- Objective 1.1 Ensure that the type, rate, and distribution of growth in the City results in compact and compatible land use patterns, an increasingly efficient urban service delivery system and discourages proliferation of urban sprawl through implementation of regulatory programs, intergovernmental coordination mechanisms, and public/private coordination.
- 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.

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 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.

- Objective 1.6 The City shall accommodate growth in Jacksonville by encouraging and facilitating new infill development and redevelopment on vacant, bypassed and underutilized land within areas that already have infrastructure, utilities, and public facilities, while addressing the needs of City residents.
- 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 3.1 Continue to maintain adequate land designated for residential uses which can accommodate the projected population and provide safe, decent, sanitary and affordable housing opportunities for residents. Protect single-family residential neighborhoods by requiring that any other land uses within single-family areas meet all applicable requirements described in the Development Areas and the Plan Category Descriptions of the Operative Provisions of the Comprehensive Plan and Land Development Regulations.
- Policy 3.1.5 The City shall provide opportunities for development of a wide variety of housing types by area, consistent with the housing needs characteristics and socioeconomic profiles of the City's households as described in the Housing Element.

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:

1. 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.

Agriculture (AGR) is intended to provide for agricultural uses and to preserve the existing rural character of outlying areas of the City. Most AGR lands are located in the Rural Area of the City where full urban services and facilities will not be provided by the City during the planning time frame. Accordingly, the principal activities allowed in these categories are agriculture and related uses, such as farming, horticulture, forestry and logging, storage, processing and wholesale distribution of farm supplies and products, and other resource dependent uses. In order to preserve the rural character of these areas, residential uses are permitted at very low densities.

According to the Category Description within the Future Land Use Element (FLUE), Rural Residential (RR) is intended to provide rural estate residential opportunities in the suburban and rural areas of the city. Generally, single-family detached housing will be the predominant development typology in this category. In the SA, the maximum gross density is two (2) units/acre when both centralized potable water and wastewater are available to the site; the maximum gross density is one (1) unit per acre when centralized potable water and/or wastewater are not available to the site. There is no minimum density.

Much of the land on the east side of Messer Road is made up of large-lot, single-family residences, therefore the amendment to RR results in a compatible land use pattern for the area that will bring the existing use in compliance with the density limitations of the RR land use category in the SA. As it is the intent of the applicant and landowners to split the 2.12-acre lot, the land use change will allow the purchaser of the lot the owners intend to sell to remove the existing residence and rebuild a single-family residence on the property. The proposed land use will be consistent with the residential use of surrounding properties on the east side of Messer Road and will allow future residential use of the property. The site is in a generally rural area of the City that is in the process of being developed for suburban residential subdivisions along Garden Street, to the south and east. Therefore, the amendment is consistent with FLUE Goals 1 and 3, Objectives 1.1 and 3.1, and Policies 1.1.22 and 3.1.5.

The proposed small-scale amendment would essentially maintain the status quo, regarding the current use, which does not conform to the density restrictions of the AGR land use category. The land use change would allow a future purchaser to remove the existing structure and rebuild a single-family residence on the property. Thus, it would

effectively increase the amount of residentially designated land available to further meet the goal of meeting or exceeding the amount of land required to accommodate anticipated growth. The proposed amendment is consistent with FLUE Objective 1.6 and Policy 1.1.21.

According to the applicant, the subject site for the land use application will be served by well and septic. Because the site does not have centralized water and sewer it is limited to 1 unit per acre. Therefore, the application is consistent with FLUE Policy 1.2.8 and the intent of the RR land use category.

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 Northwest Jacksonville Vision Plan. The Northwest Planning District of Jacksonville embraces a variety of new growth opportunities. The plan does not identify specific recommendations for the subject site. The focus of the plan is to create centers to increase development and redevelopment within the district while protecting existing neighborhoods. Changing the land use category from AGR to RR will protect the residential character of the surrounding area and thus conforms with the intent of the Northwest Jacksonville Vision Plan.

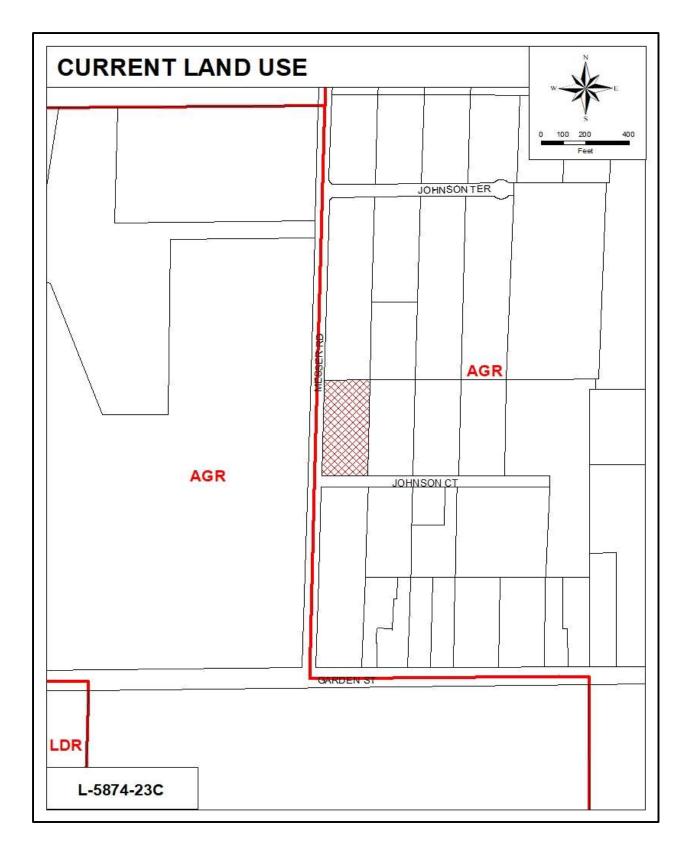
Strategic Regional Policy Plan

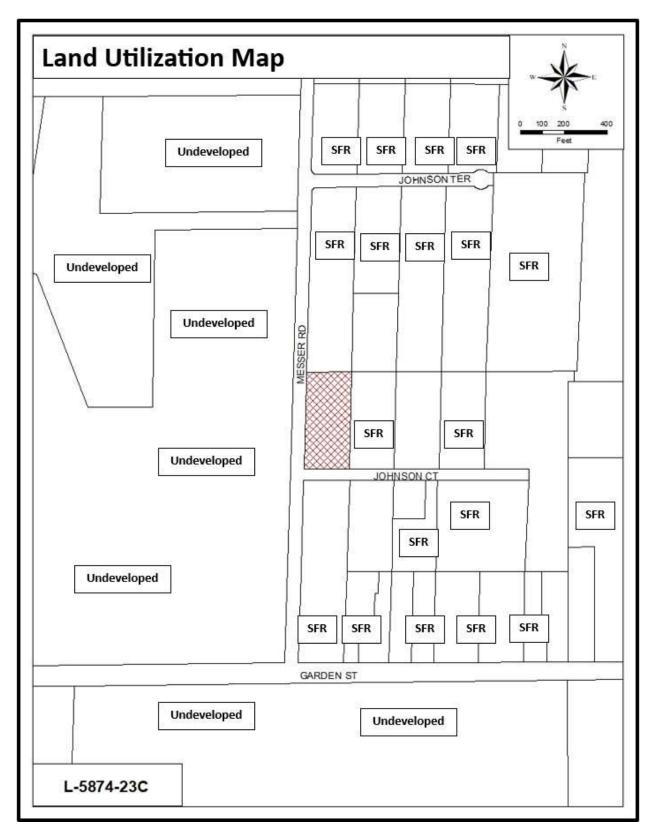
The proposed amendment is consistent with the following Objective and Policy of the Strategic Regional Policy Plan, Regional Health Subject Area:

- Objective: Housing Options That Provide Choices to All of Our Residents and Promote Demographic and Economic Diversity as One Way to Ensure that Our Communities are Viable and Interesting Places for the Long Term.
- Policy 21: The Region supports diverse and sufficient housing stock to provide choices for all households, from single persons to extended families with children.

The proposed land use amendment would provide an increased opportunity for residential development. Therefore, the proposed amendment is consistent with the Strategic Regional Policy Plan.

CURRENT LAND USE MAP





LAND UTILIZATION MAP