PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT (PUD)APPLICATION FORM

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STAFF RECOMMENDATION:	 Street yard trees planted one (1) tree per 35 linear feet planted in Community Lot 42 along Cassandra Smith Road only. A sidewalk shall be required to be constructed within Community Lot 42 along Cassandra Smith Road. Along the north and east property line of the Turner Smith Farm, Tract 2, shall be planted with Leyland Cypress nine foot on center. 		
Land Use & Transportation Comments			
Planning Staff:	Applicant Request Overview		
riallilling Staff.	The applicant has submitted a request to extend the boundary of the existing Amberbrook Gardens Planned Unit Development (PUD) located at the 5600 block of Cassandra Smith Road. The original Amberbrook Gardens PUD, as approved by the Chattanooga City Council is approximately 41 acres with 102 single-family detached dwellings with a density of 2.5 dwelling units per acre.		
	The request will add an additional 15 acres and 52 new single-family detached residential dwellings with a density of 3.5 dwelling units per acre.		
	If approved, the overall revised acreage of the new PUD will be a total of 56 acres with 154 single-family detached residential dwellings with an overall density of 2.8 dwelling units per acre.		
	Site Description The overall acreage of the site is approximately 56.15 acres in size, located less than one-half a mile from the intersection of Cassandra Smith Road and Hixson Pike. The site is relatively flat with the back portion of the property having steep slopes along Big Ridge. The site is not located within the 100 year flood hazard area. The property has frontage along Cassandra Smith Road.		
	The property is currently zoned R-1 Residential. The R-1 Residential PUD permits a maximum density of five units per acre. The proposed overall density of this development is 2.8 dwelling units per acre. The density of the 15 acre portion being added to the existing PUD is 3.5 dwelling units per acre.		
	Adjoining land uses to the west and south of the site include several large-lot single-family detached dwellings located along Cassandra Smith Road. To the north of the site is a conventional single-family detached residential subdivision and to the east of the site are vacant lands along the steep slopes of Big Ridge. A little further north of the site there is an existing townhouse development, Amberbrook Townhouses. The site is located just south of the commercial		

development at the intersection of Cassandra Smith Road and Hixson Pike.

Zoning History

The original Amberbrook Gardens PUD was approved by the Chattanooga Council in 2005 through the adoption of Resolution 26062 (2005-007) with conditions. Only a portion (12.99 acres) of the original PUD boundary has actually been recorded with single-family detached dwellings being constructed on the site. The area that has been recorded is indicated by the hatched area on the PUD plan submitted with this application. The property to the rear of the hatched area has been approved as a final plat but has not been officially recorded.

The proposed site/acreage being added to the existing PUD boundary is approximately 15 acres with 52 single-family detached dwelling units with a density of 3.5 dwelling units per acre. Combining the acreage the new PUD will have an overall acreage of 56.15 acres with 154 single-family detached dwelling units with an overall density of 2.8 dwelling units per acre.

In 2005, there was a request to rezone this same site from R-1 Residential Zone to R-T/Z Residential Townhouse Zone to construct 57 single-family detached patio homes. The Chattanooga-Hamilton County Regional Planning Commission recommended approval of the request subject to use as single-family detached dwellings, a maximum of 57 lots, and a 20' landscaped buffer along the perimeter of the development where the proposed development abuts adjoining single-family detached dwellings. The Chattanooga City Council denied the request to rezone the property from R-1 Residential Zone to R-T/Z Residential Townhouse Zone.

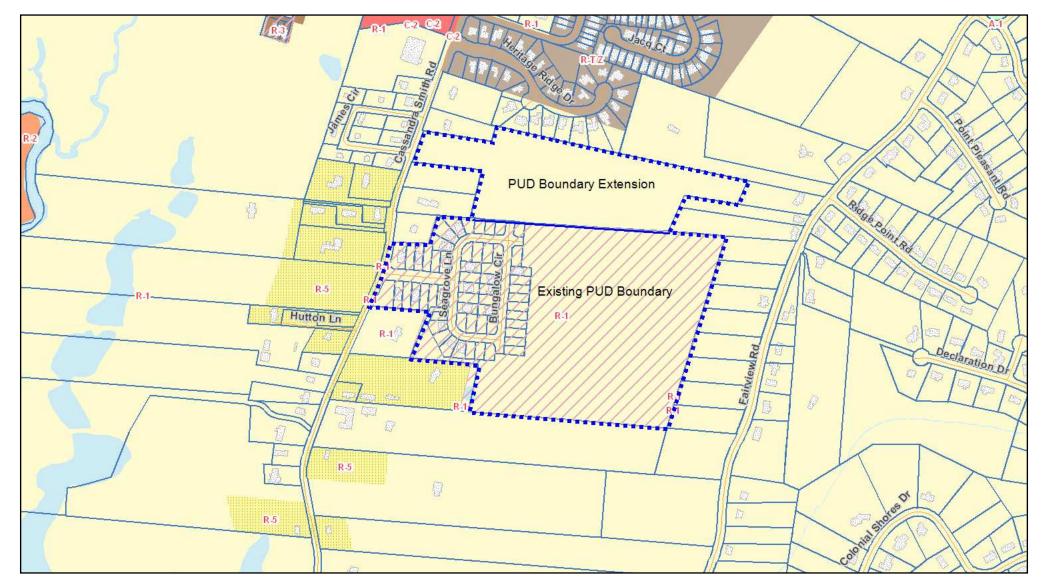
In September 2013, the applicant submitted Case 2013-109 for this same 15.25 acre parcel. The request at that time did not amend the PUD boundary. It was a request as a separate stand-alone PUD even though they were the same interconnected it was a separate stand-alone PUD request. The request in Case 2013-109 was to develop the site with 25 single-family detached dwellings, 8 condominiums, and 15 townhouses with a density of 3.15 units per acre. RPA staff recommended approval of Case 2013-109. The Chattanooga-Hamilton County Regional Planning Commission recommended approval of the request for a separate, stand-alone PUD. Prior to the City Council action on the request, it was determined that there were private deed restrictions placed on the property prohibiting the construction of townhouses. The applicant at Chattanooga City Council requested to withdraw his request for Case 2013-109.

Plans/Policies The Hixson-North River Community Plan, adopted in 2005, recommends Low Density Residential development for this site. Low Density Residential is defined to have single-family detached dwellings as the dominate use with some exceptions made for townhouses and patio homes as long as the density is compatible with adjacent uses. Infrastructure & Operational Comments All land development projects are reviewed by City Engineering & Water Quality staff, Traffic Engineering & Operations staff, and the land Development Office staff. In addition to the requirements of the City of Chattanooga Zoning Ordinance, all land development is further required to comply with current City of Chattanooga traffic regulations, building and development codes, storm water/water quality regulations, and the landscape ordinance. Additional requirements, if needed, are indicated by department below either as comments or as conditions recommended to be attached to the final ordinance. Sidewalks are required along Cassandra Smith Road for the entire right- of-way frontage that directly abuts this project's property lines. The sidewalks should have a minimum 5' width and should connect to the PUD's required internal sidewalk system. Due to the project's close proximity to nearby commercial along Hixson Pike (specifically Publis), it is strongly encouraged for the developer to construct sidewalk between the two entrances abutting 5506, 5610, and 5626 Cassandra Smith. Such an amenity would complete the PUD's sidewalk loop and enhance resident walkability to other nearby attractions. The right-of-way ranges between 40' to 50' through that area, with an average of about 10' to 15' available for sidewalk construction on that side of the road. It seems doable based on the relatively flat topography, but it will require a closer look to determine a sidewalk alignment around any roadside obstacles. In order to provide shading and cooling of pavement (heat island effect), interception, and evapotranspiration, a street yard and tre		
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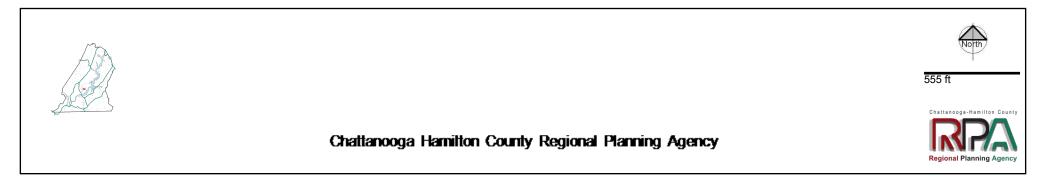
- proposed by the development is supported by the Hixson-North River Community Plan.
- The PUD plan would permit the applicant to develop this site with flexibility in lot size, setbacks and lot frontage at a lower density while providing open space within the development.
- The proposed development of single-family detached dwellings is compatible with the adjacent single-family detached dwellings on either side of the development and other residential developments found along Cassandra Smith Road.
- Internal pedestrian connectivity (sidewalks) and open space will be provided within the PUD and as required by the Planned Unit Development requirements contained in the Chattanooga Zoning Regulations.

It should be noted that the applicant could develop the site as a typical R-1 Residential Zoned conventional subdivision and, excluding the area for steep slopes, the applicant could potentially develop the site with 44 single-family detached dwellings with no requirements that open space be provided.

The use of a PUD for residential development and good site design can be an appropriate tool that accommodates new development while preserving important natural features and maintaining compatibility with existing residences.



2014-019 Residential PUD



PROPOSED USE



Single Family Residential PUD

Existing PUD 41 acres 102 residential lots 2.5 du/a New PUD Area 15 added acres 52 added residential lots 3.5 du/a Total Revised PUD 56 acres 154 residential lots 2.8 du/a

