

# Rezoning Transportation Analysis

Petition Number: Insert Zoning Petition #2022-005

General Location Identifier: 02515103, 02515117

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### General Review Information

This petition is located adjacent to W T Harris Boulevard, a state-maintained major thoroughfare near Forest Drive, a city-maintained local road. This petition is located in the North West wedge outside of Route 4.

Active Projects Near the Site:

- N/A

*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

This petition is located adjacent to W T Harris Boulevard, a state-maintained major thoroughfare near Forest Drive, a city-maintained local road. A Traffic Impact Study (TIS) is not needed for this site. Site plan revisions are needed to meet ordinance requirements and/or the outstanding items including, but not limited to committing to installing curb and gutter and a 12-foot multi-use path along W T Harris Boulevard, reconstructing the existing site access drive to meet CLDSM or applicable NCDOT standard, and dedicating a minimum of 50-feet of ROW dimensioned from the centerline of W T Harris Boulevard. Further details are listed below.

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## Trip Generation

Scenario	Land Use	Intensity	Trip Generation (vehicle trips/day)	Source
Existing Use	Retail	14,469 SF	845	<i>Tax Record</i>
Entitlement with Current Zoning	Senior Independent Living Apartment Homes (NS, 5.065 acres)	75 Units	245	<i>RZ 2017-009</i>
Proposed Zoning	Retail (NS, 5.065 acres)	20,000 SF	1,075	<i>Date: 1/13/2022</i>

**Provide comments to the specified comments below.**

## Outstanding Issues

**~~Strikethrough~~ = Resolved**

1. **Curbline:** The proposed zoning district has a setback measured from back of the future curbline.
  - a. **W T Harris Boulevard:** Location of curb and gutter is 33' from the centerline of W T Harris Boulevard.

Label and dimension the curb and gutter from the centerline for each road on the site plan.

## 2. Traffic Study:

A Traffic Impact Study (TIS) 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 right-of-way from the road centerline. The site plan shall label and dimension the right-of-way from the road centerline. If the proposed multi-use path is located outside of the right-of way provide sidewalk utility easement located 2-feet behind the multi-use path.
4. Per coordination with NCDOT, revise site plan and conditional note(s) to commit to widen WT Harris to provide two southbound through lanes fronting the site that tie into the existing two through lanes just south of project. In leu of widening for an additional through lane, a right turn lane can be installed on WT Harris at the site access.
5. Revise site plan to show access points for each proposed area from the existing access road.
6. Revise site plan to commit to installing 8-foot planting strip and 12-foot multi-use path on WT Harris per Chapter 19. The wider sidewalk also meets the Charlottes Walks Policy and City of Charlotte BIKE Policy.
7. 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 as needed. CDOT requests rights-of-way set at 2' behind back of sidewalk where feasible.
8. Revise site plan and conditional note(s) to commit to reconstructing the site access driveway to meet standard CLDSM driveway detail 10.25E or 10.28. The site plan shall callout and dimension the driveway at the ROW line.

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9. 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 as needed. The petitioner may phase transportation improvements if said improvements and phasing are explicitly described in site plan notes.
10. Add conditional note "All public roadway improvements will be subject to the standards and criteria of CDOT and NCDOT, as applicable, to the roadway improvements within their respective road system authority. It is understood that such improvements may be undertaken by the Petitioner on its own or in conjunction with other development or roadway projects taking place within the broad northwestern Mecklenburg area, by way of a private/public partnership effort or other public sector project support."

## 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.

1. The setback for this district is measured from the back of the existing or future curbline as determined by CDOT and Planning during the permitting process.
2. 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.
3. Adequate sight triangles must be reserved at the existing/proposed street entrance(s). Two 50' x 50' 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.
4. 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.
5. All proposed commercial driveway connections to a future public street will require a driveway permit submitted to CDOT for review and approval.
6. Any fence or wall constructed along or adjacent to any sidewalk or street right-of-way requires a certificate issued by CDOT.
7. 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 City-maintained 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.
8. 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.
9. 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>