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ZONING AND PLATTING COMMISISON SITE PLAN WAIVER REQUEST REVIEW SHEET

CASE NUMBER:	SP-2018-0092C	PC HEARING DATE: Jan. 29, 2019
PROJECT NAME:	The Greens on Cooper Lane	
ADDRESS:	7601 Cooper Lane	
COUNCIL DISTRICT #:	2	
APPLICANT:	Townbridge Homes P.O. Box 90638 Austin, TX 78709	(512) 800-4534
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PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT:

The applicant is proposing to construct 30 condominium units with drives, sidewalks, utilities, a water quality/detention pond, and other associated site improvements.

DESCRIPTION OF WAIVERS:

The applicant is requesting a waiver from § 25-2-1063, a person may not construct a structure 25 feet or less from a property in an urban family residence (SF-5) or more restrictive zoning district.

The proposed water quality/detention pond for the condominium development is encroaching into the 25' compatibility setback along the east property line. The water quality/detention pond is located 5' from the eastern property line.

SUMMARY STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends approval of the waiver request. The condominium units are not within the 25' compatibility setback. The site complies with all other compatibility standard requirements, such as lighting, screening, and building heights.

COMPATIBILITY:

Section 25-2-1051 states that Article 10 Compatibility Standards apply if a use in a SF-6 or less restrictive zoning district is located on a property across the street from or adjoining a property on which a use is permitted in a SF-5 or more restrictive zoning district is located. That section also states that Development Reserve (DR) zoning district does trigger compatibility standards.

The proposed development is subject to Compatibility standards on the north, east, and west property lines. All buildings, parking and drives meet the setback requirement; the water quality/detention pond is the only structure that triggers the waiver request. The plans call out a 6' privacy fence around the perimeter of the property for screening. The driveway setback is 3' due to the front site width [25-2-1067(H)].

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PREVIOUS ZAP ACTIONS:

Dec. 4, 2018Applicant requested postponement, consent postponementJan. 15, 2019Neighborhood requested postponement, discussion postponement

PROJECT INFORMATION:

SITE AREA	209,500 square feet	4.809 acres			
EXISTING ZONING	SF-6-CO				
WATERSHED	South Boggy Creek				
WATERSHED ORDINANCE	Comprehensive Watershed Ordinance (Suburban)				
TRAFFIC IMPACT ANALYSIS	Not required				
CAPITOL VIEW CORRIDOR	None				
PROPOSED ACCESS	Cooper Lane				
	Allowed	Proposed			
FLOOR-AREA RATIO		0.35:1			
BUILDING COVERAGE	40%	19%			
IMPERVIOUS COVERAGE	55%	52.74%			
PARKING	60 required	75			

EXISTING ZONING AND LAND USES:

	ZONING	LAND USES
Site	SF-6-CO	Condominium
North	SF-2 (front lot) and DR (back	Single Family
	lot)	
South	DR	Single Family
East	DR	Vacant
West	Cooper Lane	

ABUTTING STREETS:

Street	Right-of-Way Width	Pavement Width	Classification
Cooper Lane	60'	20'	Residential Collector

NEIGHBORHOOD ORGNIZATIONS:

Austin Independent School District Austin Neighborhoods Council Bike Austin Friends of Austin Neighborhoods Friends of Williams Elementary Go!Austin/Vamos!Austin (GAVA)-78745 Homeless Neighborhood Association Matthews Lane Neighborhood Assn. Neighborhood Empowerment Foundation Onion Creek Homeowners Assoc. Preservation Austin SEL Texas Sierra Club, Austin Regional Group South Austin Neighborhood Alliance South Boggy Creek Environmental Association South Boggy Creek Neighborhood Association South Park Neighbors



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January 8, 2019

Mr. Rodney Gonzalez, Director Development Services Department City of Austin P.O. Box 1088 Austin, Texas 78767

RE: The Greens on Cooper Lane – 7601 Cooper Lane SP-2018-0092C

Dear Mr. Gonzalez,

This firm represents the landowner and developer for the above referenced project in process with review at the City of Austin. Zoning for the property is SF-6-CO, Townhouse and Condominium Residence, which was completed with Ordinance #20151217-087 (attached) which allows for 30 units with other conditions. The site plan for the property is for a condominium development with 30 residential units and associated parking and drainage.

Topography for the site is gentle sloping conditions from west to east with a nearby offsite drainage way that will accept stormwater runoff from the pond system located at the eastern end of the property. Surrounding zoning is DR, Development Reserve, to the north, south, and east at the eastern end of the property which triggers compatibility standards. The design of the site is compliant to all applicable site development standards for setbacks other than the pond located at the eastern end of the project boundary. A waiver to the compatibility standards is required for the pond walls located on the eastern property line only. The north and south property lines are in full compliance to the compatibility standards for the pond.

The property to the east is a narrow strip of land with frontage along S. 1st Street and no house exists on that property and this is the only property for which relaxed standards are sought.

To the south of the proposed pond is a 4.708-acre property that appears to have a business operation, but the house located on the property is +/-560' from the proposed pond. The property to the north is an 8.22-

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acre tract and has an existing home located +/-490' from the proposed pond. Should that property be rezoned and developed in the future, it is highly likely that their pond would be located adjacent to the proposed pond because of the natural topographic conditions. However, the waiver is not sought for the pond wall along the southern or northern property line.

Height of the pond walls is approximately 4'-4.5' at the highest part proximate to the east property line. Dimensionally, the pond walls are located 5' along the eastern property line with drainage infrastructure (grate inlet) within 5' of the eastern property line. There is also buried reinforced concrete pipe buried along that property line as a part of the underground drainage infrastructure. On the north and south, the pond wall is 25' from the northern property line. Strict compliance to the compatibility standards is a 25' setback.

We respectfully request positive consideration for a waiver to Compatibility Standards section 25-2-1063(B) to allow for a structure within 5' of the east property line for the pond wall based on the above findings and conditions.

To be clear, there is not any request for a setback variance along the southern or northern property lines. The location of the pond walls are in compliance to the compatibility standards along the southern and northern property lines.

Should you have any questions, please contact me at my office.

Respectfully submitted,

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