

BUILDING CODES COMMITTEE MEETING

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2024 | 6:00 PM

5th committee meeting

The Committee will meet in the Council Chambers at Mauldin City Hall at 5 East Butler Road

Building Codes (BDS) Committee AGENDA November 4, 2024

1. Call to Order	Chairperson Mark Steenback
2. Public Comment	Chairperson Mark Steenback
3. Reading and Approval of Minutes	Chairperson Mark Steenback
 a. Building Codes Committee Meeting: August 5, 2024 (Pages 2-3) 	
4. Reports or Communications from City Officers	Chairperson Mark Steenback
a. BDS Department Report, David Dyrhaug	
5. <u>Unfinished Business</u>	Chairperson Mark Steenback
a. None	
6. New Business	Chairperson Mark Steenback
a. An ordinance to rezone a 2-acre portion of a property located at Fowler Circle (p/o Tax Map Parcel #M007.03-01-013.00) and providing an effective date (<i>Pages 4-12</i>)	
7. Public Comment	Chairperson Mark Steenback
8. Committee Concerns	Chairperson Mark Steenback
9. Adjourn	Chairperson Mark Steenback

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Minutes Building Codes (BDS) Committee August 5, 2024 6th Committee Meeting

Committee Members present: Mark Steenback (Chair), Taft Matney, and Frank Allgood.

Others present: Business and Development Services Director David Dyrhaug

- 1. Call to Order- Chairman Mark Steenback
- 2. Public Comment- None
- 3. Reading and Approval of Minutes
 - a. Building Codes Committee Meeting: June 3, 2024

Motion: Councilman Allgood made a motion to approve the minutes with Councilman Matney seconding.

Vote: The vote was unanimous (3-0).

4. Reports or Communications from City Officers

a. BDS Department Report, David Dyrhaug

Mr. Dyrhaug reported two subdivisions have finished their build-out: Alston Chase and Baldwin Chase. Hidden Lake Estates phase 1 is finishing up.

There are several subdivisions that have been permitted and should start soon.

Oasis Animal Hospital has begun construction on its second building in Mauldin and Summer Moon Coffee is being worked on as well.

Delinquent businesses are being encouraged to renew their business licenses.

Hospitality and accommodations taxes are being collected in the BDS Department and online payments are now being accepted.

- 5. Unfinished Business- None
- 6. New Business

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a. Discussion of prospective ordinances

Committee is being asked to discuss directing staff to update specific ordinances of the City. Some of the items that the staff has identified as potential ordinances that can be reviewed and updated at the direction of the Committee are townhome standards, sidewalk standards, parking lot cross access standards, and standards for garage apartments. Mr. Duncan has heard interest in discussing overlay districts as well.

Councilman Matney said these are current issues that need to be addressed. We are currently undertaking the strategic plan and comprehensive plan. He doesn't want us to go overboard on these items while we are updating these other plans.

Councilman Allgood agreed and is on board with discussing these items. Chairman Steenback said he would like to have more discussion on these items and is particularly interested in the garage apartment question. Mr. Duncan said Council could have a workshop on zoning overlay and we will gear up for that.

- 7. Public Comment- None
- 8. Committee Concerns- None
- 9. Adjourn- Chairman Steenback adjourned the meeting at 7:49 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted, Cindy Miller Municipal Clerk • •

BUILDING CODES COMMITTEE AGENDA ITEM

MEETING DATE: November 4, 2024

DOCKET NUMBER: 6a

ITEM TYPE: Zoning Map Amendment

TO: Building Codes Committee

FROM: Business & Development Services Director, David C. Dyrhaug

SUBJECT: Rezoning of 2-acre Property along Fowler Circle

OWNER(S): Dennis Godley • Lan-Sky-River Properties, LLC

DEVELOPER(S): Parker Group Development

TAX MAP NUMBER(S): Part of M007.03-01-013.00

LOCATION: Along Fowler Circle near W. Butler Road

CURRENT ZONING: C-1, Light Commercial

REQUESTED ZONING: RM, Multi-family Residential

SIZE OF PROPERTY: Approx. 2 acres

REQUEST

The City of Mauldin has received a signed petition requesting the rezoning of a tract of land pursuant to Section 4:2 of the Mauldin Zoning Ordinance. This petition includes rezoning a 2-acre portion of a tract along Fowler Circle from the C-1 district to the RM district. The intent of the applicant is to develop this property for attached single-family homes.

HISTORY/BACKGROUND

This tract is a partially wooded undeveloped lot with a Goodwill donation trailer parked on part of the lot. The 2-acre portion of the lot subject to this petition is the rear portion of the lot that backs up to the Sunview Townhomes community along Fowler Circle.

PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT

The intent of the applicant is to develop this 2-acre portion of the tract for high quality townhomes. The design of this portion of the tract along with the front 2-acre commercial portion of the tract are intended to feature connectivity and walkability between the two.

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In all, the applicant is planning to develop about 30 townhomes on the 2-acre portion subject to this provision. The initial concept is that the townhomes will front pedestrian walkways and will have rearloading garages.

As of the date of this report, the applicant has not yet selected a builder for this project and nor does the applicant know at this time if these townhomes will be for sale or for rent. But the applicant does anticipate the townhomes to consist of three stories and each to have three bedrooms. The applicant also expects that the exterior finish materials for the townhomes will feature a mix of brick and Hardee plank.

NEIGHBORHOOD MEETING

In accordance with Section 4:3.3 of the Mauldin Zoning Ordinance, the applicant held a neighborhood meeting on September 23, 2024, at Mauldin Methodist Church. The meeting was advertised in accordance with City requirements. The only attendees at this meeting were the development team, the property owner, the real estate team, a City elected official, and a member of City staff. No other members of the public attended the meeting.

PUBLIC HEARING

The Planning Commission held a public hearing on October 22, 2024. There was one public comment at offered at this hearing:

• Cindy Jordan, 204 Fowler Circle (County resident), expressed her opposition to the development of this property. She shared concerns about traffic safety and speeding along Fowler Circle.

No other public comments were offered and no other members of the public attended the public hearing.

ZONING ANALYSIS

Existing Zoning Classifications

The *C-1 district* is a light commercial district intended to promote small-scale retail, service, and professional offices that provide goods and services at a neighborhood scale. This district is generally located in areas adjacent to residential districts.

The *R-M district* is established to provide for a full range of medium- to high-density multi-family housing types along with single-family detached and attached residences. Other uses include recreational, religious, and educational facilities normally required to provide an orderly and attractive residential area. This district is intended to function as a transition between single-family residential districts and commercial districts where certain land uses may not be compatible.

Surrounding Development/Zoning

These properties are surrounded by the following zoning and land uses:

Direction	Zoning District(s)	Existing Use(s)
North	C-2 (City)	Undeveloped/Goodwill donation trailer
South	R-M (City)	Sunview Townhomes
East	C-1 (City)	Undeveloped commercial property
West	R-20 (County)	Single-family home across the street

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Comprehensive Plan Analysis

In the Comprehensive Plan, the front of this property is located along a "Regional Corridor." The remainder of this property, including the portion that is the subject of this petition, is designated as "Residential Multifamily" in the future land use map of the comprehensive plan. This designation is intended to include apartment buildings, condominiums, and duplexes.

REVIEW CRITERIA

The Mauldin Zoning Ordinance does not contain any specified criteria that should be considered by the Planning Commission when reviewing requests for rezoning. However, the following criteria are typical of those used by other jurisdictions.

- A. Consistency with the Comprehensive Plan or, if conditions have changed since the Comprehensive Plan was adopted, consistency with the overall intent of the Plan, recent development trends, and the general character of the area;
- B. Suitability of the site's physical, geological, hydrological and other environmental features to support the breadth and intensity of uses that could be developed in the proposed zoning district;
- C. Compatibility of all the potential uses allowed in the proposed zoning district with surrounding uses and zoning districts in terms of suitability of location, impacts on the environment, noise, density, nature of use, traffic impacts, aesthetics, ability to develop adjacent properties under existing zoning, and potential influence on property values;
- D. Capacity of public infrastructure and services to sufficiently accommodate all potential uses allowed in the proposed district without compromising public health, safety or welfare; and
- E. Public need for the potential uses permitted in the requested zoning district.

STAFF FINDINGS

Based on the above criteria, staff provides the following findings for consideration of the proposed request.

- A. *Comprehensive plan consistency*. The portion of this tract that is being petitioned to be rezoned is designated for apartment buildings, condominiums, and duplexes in the Comprehensive Plan. This rezoning is entirely consistent with the Comprehensive Plan.
- B. *Suitability of the site*. There are not any apparent floodplains, wetlands, or steep topography on this site. The site appears suitable for development.
- C. Compatibility of the development. The intent to develop this property for townhomes is directly compatible with the adjacent Sunview Townhomes and the adjoining Parkside Villas community. This proposed development will provide a positive transition between these existing townhome communities and the allowed commercial development on the remainder of this property.
- D. Infrastructure capacity. All utilities, including water and sewer, are available for the site.
- E. *Public need.* As forecasted in the Comprehensive Plan, the City continues to see demand for low-maintenance and "missing middle" housing including townhomes. Missing middle housing includes a diverse range of housing options that are compatible in scale and form with detached single-family homes and are designed to create a walkable community. Typical middle housing types include multi-unit structures such as townhomes, duplexes, triplexes, fourplexes, and cottage courts.

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Traffic discussion. During the Planning Commission meeting, the discussion centered around traffic. Below are some of staff's findings regarding traffic as it relates to the rezoning and development of this site.

- Using traffic generation rates published by the Institute of Transportation Engineers (ITE), a rental townhome community consisting of 30 units would generate about 21 peak hour trips. A "for-sale" townhome community consisting of 30 units would generate about 13-15 peak hour trips. For townhome development projects, a traffic impact study is only required if the project is projected to generate at least 100 peak hour trips. This project is far below that threshold.
- For comparison, below is the peak hour trip generation of some common commercial development types that are allowed by the current zoning of this property.

Business Type	Typical Size	AM Peak Hour Trips	PM Peak Hour Trips
Bank	2,500 sq. ft.	30 vehicle trips	60 vehicle trips
Pharmacy	10,000 sq. ft.	34 vehicle trips	99 vehicle trips
Coffee Shop	2,000 sq. ft.	201 vehicle trips	85 vehicle trips
Fast Food Restaurant	3,000 sq. ft.	136 vehicle trips	97 vehicle trips
	N/A (based on		
Office Park	acreage of site)	115 vehicle trips	127 vehicle trips
Daycare	12,000 sq. ft.	146 vehicle trips	148 vehicle trips
Grocery Store	40,000 sq. ft.	136 vehicle trips	379 vehicle trips

The development of a 30-unit townhome community will generate much less traffic than a typical commercial development project allowed by the current zoning of this property.

- Fowler Circle is listed as a "Tier 3" roadway safety and congestion relief project in the one percent sales tax referendum currently on the ballot for Greenville County. If approved by vote of Greenville County residents, this sales tax will fund a widening project along Fowler Circle.
- Fowler Circle is not a project identified in the 2030 long-range transportation plan or the transportation improvement program for the Greenville-Pickens Area Transportation Study (GPATS). Note: GPATS is the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the Greenville Urbanized Area. They are charged with allocating federal funding for transportation projects in our area.

TIMELINE

On September 24, 2024, the applicant made application to the City of Mauldin for this rezoning.

On October 22, 2024, the Planning Commission conducted a public hearing. At this meeting, the Planning Commission voted 4-1 to recommend approval of this rezoning, with Mr. Dan Chism dissenting.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

This project is entirely consistent with the Comprehensive Plan. Additionally, the proposed development of these two acres will provide a positive transition between the existing Sunview Townhomes and the allowed commercial development on the remnant of this tract. Finally, the intent of the applicant to develop an interconnected, pedestrian-oriented design in concert with the commercial development expected along the front of this tract supports the City's vision for development. Based on these findings, staff supports the approval of this rezoning.

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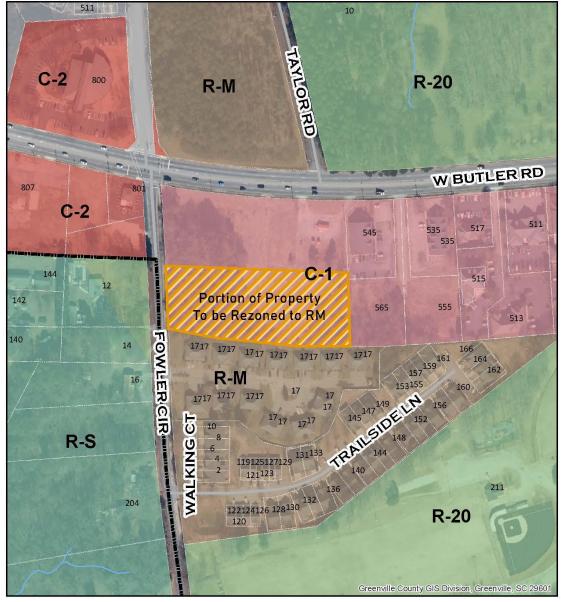
PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION

On October 22, 2024, the Planning Commission voted 4-1 to recommend approval of the rezoning, with Mr. Dan Chism dissenting. As part of their recommendation, the members of the Planning Commission commented that they are interested in seeing improvements made to the intersection of W. Butler Road and Fowler Circle, specifically to include a dedicated left turn lane on Fowler Circle.

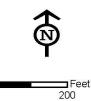
ATTACHMENTS

Property Map Conceptual layout Proposed Ordinance (map and boundary survey included therein) • • •

Parker Group Property on Fowler Circle REZONING MAP







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FOWLER CIRCLE TOWNHOMES

REZONING APPLICATION C-1 TO RM-1

MAULDIN, SC

ORDINANCE #

AN ORDINANCE TO REZONE A 2-ACRE PORTION OF A PROPERTY LOCATED AT FOWLER CIRCLE (P/O TAX MAP PARCEL #M007.03-01-013.00) AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE

WHEREAS, Lan-Sky-River Properties, LLC, has petitioned the City of Mauldin to rezone \pm 2 acres of their property from the C-1 District to the RM District; and

WHEREAS, a rezoning of the parcel is in keeping with the City of Mauldin 2014 Comprehensive Plan Update; and

WHEREAS, the site is suitable for the types of uses that could be developed under the new zoning district; and

WHEREAS, the potential uses permitted in the new zoning district meet a public need and are not detrimental to the public health, safety, and welfare; and

WHEREAS, the Mauldin Planning Commission has given favorable recommendation to the zoning application; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED by the mayor and City Council of the City of Mauldin, South Carolina, in council assembled and by the authority thereof

<u>Section 1.</u> That the property described in zoning docket PC-2024-11-RZ and part of Greenville County Tax Map Parcel M007.03-01-013.00 be rezoned from C-1 to RM, Multi-family Residential. The portion of the property to be rezoned is further identified on the attached exhibit, Exhibit 1, that is hereby incorporated into this ordinance.

Section 2. This ordinance shall become effective upon and after its final passage.

Passed on First Reading	
Passed on Second Reading	
	CITY OF MAULDIN, SOUTH CAROLINA
ATTEST:	BY:
	Terry Merritt, Mayor
Cindy Miller, Municipal Clerk	
APPROVED AS TO FORM:	
Daniel Hughes, City Attorney	

