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# **Applicant Materials for Consideration**

## DETAILS

Location: 3100 Old Shell Road

Subdivision Name: Old Shell Road Subdivision

Applicant / Agent: Sylvester James

**Property Owner:** Sylvester James

**Current Zoning:** R-1, Single-Family Residential Urban District

Future Land Use: Traditional Mixed-Use Corridor

#### Applicable Codes, Policies, and Plans:

- Unified Development Code
- Subdivision Regulations
- Map for Mobile Comprehensive Plan

#### Proposal:

• Subdivision approval to create one (1) legal lot of record from two (2) metes-and-bounds parcels.

#### **Commission Considerations:**

1. Subdivision proposal with eight (8) conditions.

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# **SITE HISTORY**

The site was originally part of the W.A. Schriner Subdivision, the plat for which was recorded in 1904. Since that time, development of the area has resulted in the shifting of lot lines without approval from the Planning Commission, such that the designs of many of the lots are no longer compatible with the recorded subdivision plat. This includes the subject site, which now has a metes-and-bounds legal description. The applicant plans to redevelop a portion of the property with a new single-family dwelling, thus requiring full compliance with current regulations, including the Subdivision Regulations.

There are no Planning Commission or Board of Zoning Adjustment cases associated with the site.

# **STAFF COMMENTS**

### **Engineering Comments:**

FINAL PLAT COMMENTS (should be addressed prior to submitting the FINAL PLAT for review):

- A. Provide all of the required information on the SUBDIVISION PLAT (i.e. signature blocks, signatures, certification statements, written legal description, required notes, legend, scale, bearings and distances) that is required by the current Alabama State Board of Licensure for Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors.
- B. Provide reference, on the map and the description, to a monumented corner.
- C. Provide a written description for the proposed subdivision boundary.
- D. List the amount of dedicated ROW in SF and in AC.
- E. Add a note to the SUBDIVISION PLAT stating that as shown on the 1984 aerial photo LOT 1 will receive 3,000 sf historical credit of existing (1984) impervious area towards stormwater detention requirement per Mobile City Code, Chapter 17, Storm Water Management and Flood Control).
- F. Add a note that a Land Disturbance permit will be required for any land disturbing activity in accordance with Mobile City Code, Chapter 17, Storm Water Management and Flood Control); the City of Mobile, Alabama Flood Plain Management Plan (1984); and, the Rules For Erosion and Sedimentation Control and Storm Water Runoff Control.
- G. Add a note that the approval of all applicable federal, state, and local agencies (including all storm water runoff, wetland and floodplain requirements) will be required prior to the issuance of a Land Disturbance permit.
- H. Add a note that sidewalk is required to be constructed, and/or repaired, along the frontage of each lot, or parcel, at time of new development or construction, unless a sidewalk waiver is approved.
- I. Add a note that all existing and proposed detention facilities, common areas, and wetlands shall be the responsibility of the Property Owner(s), and not the responsibility of the City of Mobile.
- J. Add a note that all easements shall remain in effect until vacated through the proper Vacation process.
- K. Email a pdf copy of the FINAL SUBDIVISION PLAT and LETTER OF DECISION to the Permitting Engineering Dept. for review at land.disturbance@cityofmobile.org prior to obtaining any signatures. No signatures are required on the drawing.

## **Traffic Engineering Comments:**

Driveway number, size, location, and design to be approved by Traffic Engineering and conform to AASHTO standards.

## **Urban Forestry Comments:**

Property to be developed in compliance with state and local laws that pertain to tree preservation and protection on both city and private properties [Act 929 of the 1961 Regular Session of the Alabama Legislature (Acts 1961, p. 1487), as amended, and City Code Chapters 57 and 65]. Private removal of trees in the right-of-way will require approval of the Mobile Tree Commission. Removal of heritage trees from undeveloped residential sites, developed residential sites in historic districts, and all commercial sites will require a tree removal permit.

## **Fire Department Comments:**

All projects within the City Limits of Mobile shall comply with the requirements of the City of Mobile Fire Code Ordinance (2021 International Fire Code). Fire apparatus access is required to be within 150' of all non-sprinklered commercial buildings and within 300' of all sprinklered commercial buildings. Fire water supply for all commercial buildings will be required to meet the guidance of Appendices B and C of the 2021 International Fire Code. The minimum requirement for fire hydrants is to be within 400' of non-sprinkled commercial buildings, within 600' of sprinkled commercial buildings, and within 100' of fire department connections (FDC) for both standpipes and sprinkler systems.

## **Planning Comments:**

The purpose of this request is to create one (1) legal lot of record from two (2) metes-and-bounds parcels. The site is served by public water and sanitary sewer services.

The site has frontage along McBride Street, a minor street with curb and gutter and an existing right-of-way of 40 feet. Section 6.B.9 of the Subdivision Regulations requires a minimum right-of-way width of 50 feet, and the preliminary plat illustrates dedication sufficient to provide 25-feet from the center line of McBride Street, and if approved, should be retained on the Final Plat. The preliminary plat illustrates Old Shell Road, a minor arterial street on the Major Street Plan which does not require right-of-way beyond the existing 50-feet.

The proposed Lot is a corner lot requiring at least a 25-foot corner radius where Old Shell Road and McBride Street intersect, per Section 6.C.6. of the Subdivision Regulations. The preliminary plat illustrates dedication sufficient to provide a compliant corner radius after dedication, and should be retained on the Final Plat.

The lot, as proposed, exceeds the minimum size requirement for lots served by public water and sanitary sewer in an R-1, Single-Family Residential Urban District. Additionally, the lot size is labeled in both square feet and acres on the preliminary plat, as required by Section 5.A.2(e)(4) of the Subdivision Regulations. If approved, the lot size should be retained in both square feet and acres, or provision of a table on the Final Plat with the same information will suffice; after dedication.

A 25-foot front yard setback is illustrated along all frontages on the preliminary plat, in compliance with Section 64-2-5.E. of the Unified Development Code (UDC) for lots in an R-1 suburban district; however, the lot is within an urban sub-district and only requires a 5-foot front yard setback. As such, the plat should be revised to illustrate a compliant 5-foot front setback along McBride Street and Old Shell Road, if approved, from the required right of way dedication along McBride Street.

The preliminary plat illustrates two (2) existing structures on site. One structure labeled as "Building to be demolished" and the other as "Building (Shed)". According to imagery of the site, the building proposed to be demolished appears to be a single-family dwelling while the structure labeled as "Building (Shed)" is currently a garage. It should be noted that per Section 64-2-24 of the UDC, accessory structures are not permitted to be located on property without a principal structure. As such, if approved, the applicant should be aware that any demo permit

issued for the principal structure may be contingent upon removal of the accessory structure as well. If it is the owner's intent to keep the accessory structure then the building permit for the new single-family residence must be submitted concurrently with demo permits for the existing single-family residence.

# SUBDIVISION CONSIDERATIONS

### Standards of Review:

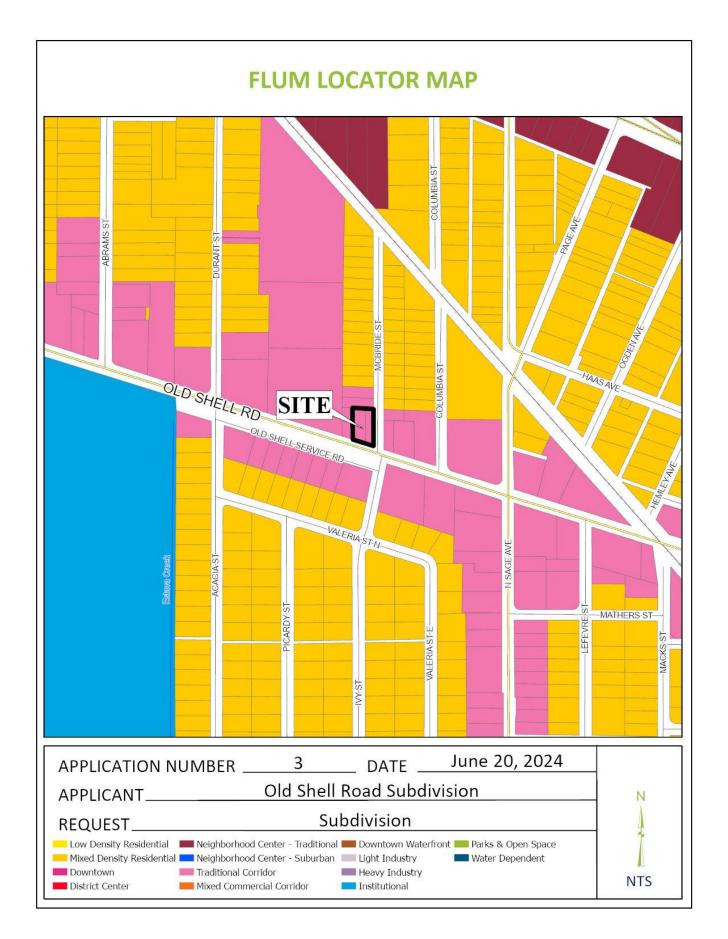
Subdivision review examines the site with regard to promoting orderly development, protecting general health, safety and welfare, and ensuring that development is correlated with adjacent developments and public utilities and services, and to ensure that the subdivision meets the minimum standards set forth in the Subdivision Regulations for lot size, road frontage, lot configuration, etc.

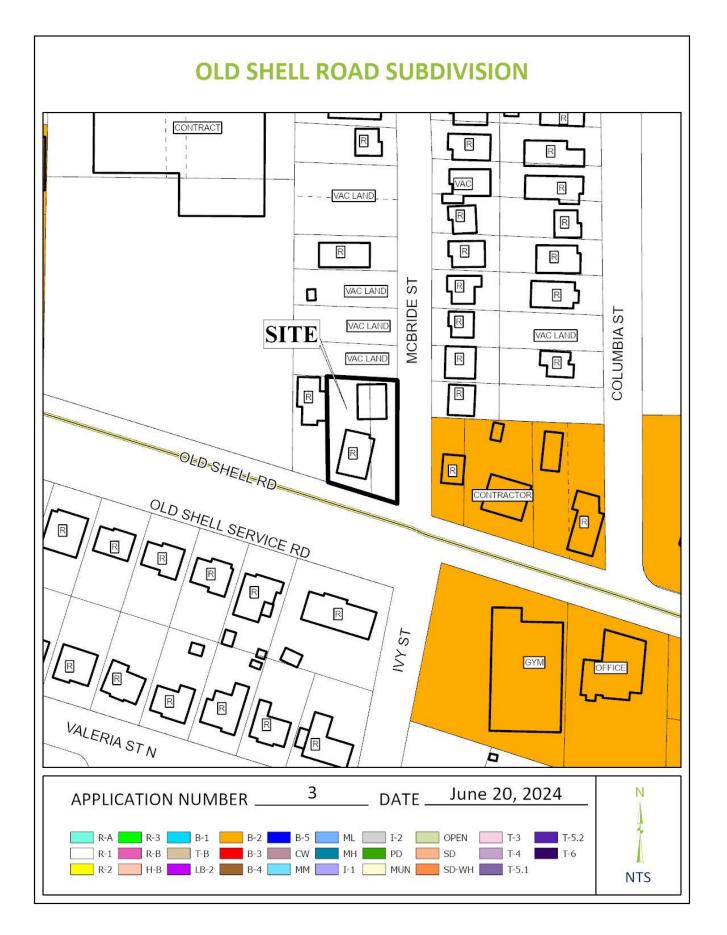
#### **Considerations:**

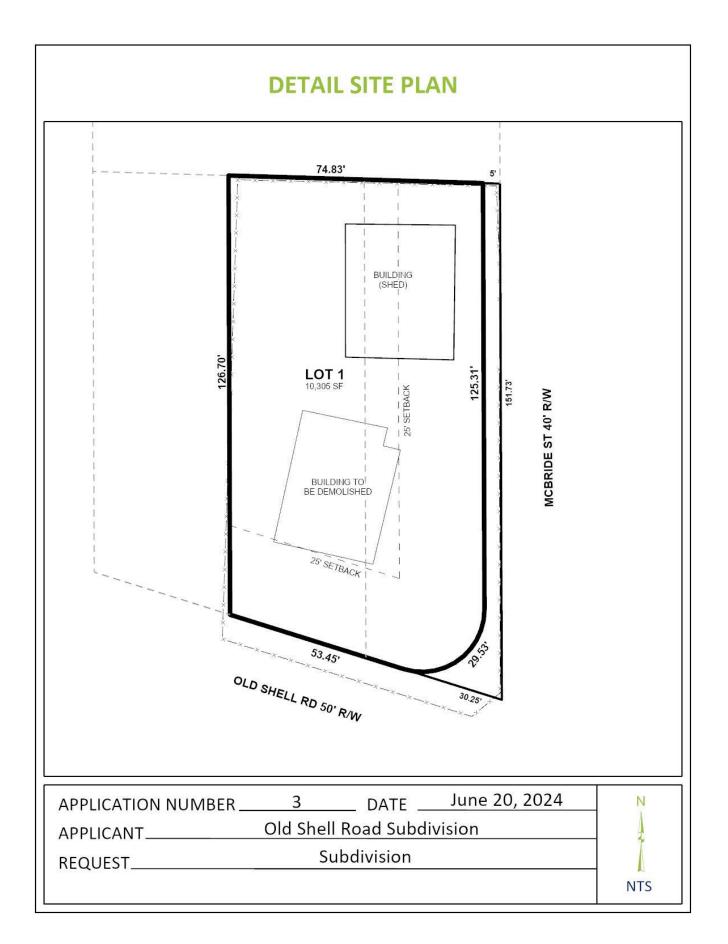
Based on the preceding, if the Subdivision request is considered for approval, the following conditions should apply:

- 1. Retention of McBride Street right-of-way and corner radius dedication as illustrated in the preliminary plat;
- 2. Retention of the lot sizes in both square feet and acres, or provision of a table on the Final Plat providing the same information, after required dedications;
- 3. Retention of the labels illustrating 25-feet from the centerline of both Old Shell Road and McBride Street;
- 4. Revision of the Final Plat to illustrate a compliant 5-foot front setback along all frontages, subject to right of way dedication, in compliance with Article 2 Section 64-2-5.E. of the Unified Development Code for lots zoned R-1 in the Urban sub-district;
- 5. Compliance with all Engineering comments noted in this staff report;
- 6. Placement of a note on the Final Plat stating all Traffic Engineering comments noted in this staff report;
- 7. Compliance with all Urban Forestry comments noted in this staff report; and,
- 8. Compliance with all Fire Department comments noted in this staff report.









ZONING DISTRICT CORRESPONDENCE MATRIX															
		OW DENSITY RESIDENTIAL (LDR)	MIXED DENSITY RESIDENTIAL (MXDR)	DOWNTOWN (DT)	DISTRICT CENTER (DC)	VEIGHBORHOOD CENTER - TRADITIONAL (NC-T)	VEIGHBORHOOD CENTER - SUBURBAN (NC-S)	TRADITIONAL CORRIDOR (TC)	MIXED COMMERCIAL CORRIDOR (MCC)	LIGHT INDUSTRIAL (LI)	HEAVY INDUSTRY (HI)	NSTITUTIONAL LAND USE (INS)	PARKS & OPEN SPACE (POS)	DOWNTOWN WATERFRONT (DW)	WATER DEPENDENT USES (WDWRU)
RESIDENTIAL - AG	R-A		2			Z	Z		2		т	4			5
ONE-FAMILY RESIDENCE	R-1														
TWO-FAMILY RESIDENCE	R-2													0	
MULTIPLE-FAMILY	R-3	0												0	
RESIDENTIAL-BUSINESS	R-B		0											0	
TRANSITIONAL-BUSINESS	T-B		0												
HISTORIC BUSINESS	H-B														
VILLAGE CENTER	TCD														
NEIGH. CENTER	TCD														
NEIGH. GENERAL	TCD														
DOWNTOWN DEV. DDD	T-6														
DOWNTOWN DEV. DDD	T-5.1														
DOWNTOWN DEV. DDD	T-5.2														
DOWNTOWN DEV. DDD	T-4														
DOWNTOWN DEV. DDD	T-3														
DOWNTOWN DEV. DDD	SD-WH									0	0				
DOWNTOWN DEV. DD	SD	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		0	0				
BUFFER BUSINESS	B-1													0	
NEIGH. BUSINESS	B-2		0											0	
LIMITED BUSINESS	LB-2		0											0	
COMMUNITY BUSINESS	B-3											0		0	
GEN. BUSINESS	B-4											0		0	
OFFICE-DISTRIBUTION	B-5														
LIGHT INDUSTRY	I-1														
HEAVY INDUSTRY	I-2														

#### **Zoning District Correspondence Matrix**

- Directly Related
- Elements of the zoning category are related to the future LU category, but with qualifications (such as a development plan with conditions)
- Land use category is appropriate, but the district does not directly implement the category (e.g., open space in an industrial district)

# TRADITIONAL CORRIDOR (TC)

This land use designation generally applies to transportation corridors east of I-65, which serve as the primary commercial and mixed-use gateway to Downtown and the City's traditional neighborhoods (equivalent to Map for Mobile's Traditional Neighborhoods).

Depending on their location (and as allowed by specific zoning), TC designations incorporate a range of moderately scaled single-use commercial buildings holding retail or services; buildings that combine housing units with retail and/or office; a mix of housing types including low- or mid-rise multifamily structures ranging in density from 4 to 10 du/ac; and attractive streetscapes and roadway designs that safely accommodate all types of transportation - transit, bicycling, walking, and driving. In these areas, special emphasis is placed on the retention of existing historic structures, compatible infill development, and appropriate access management.