



Agenda Item # 10

SUB-SW-003061-2024

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[Applicant Materials for Consideration](#)

DETAILS

Location:

5755 & 5761 U.S. Highway 90 West

Subdivision Name:

Theodore Veterinary Hospital Subdivision

Applicant / Agent:

TVH Properties, LLC

Property Owner:

TVH Properties, LLC

Current Zoning:

B-3, Community Business Suburban District

Future Land Use:

Mixed Commercial Corridor

Applicable Codes, Policies, and Plans:

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

Proposal:

- Waive construction of sidewalks along U.S. Highway 90 West.

Commission Considerations:

1. Sidewalk Waiver request.

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SITE HISTORY

The subject site was annexed into the City of Mobile in 2009, and was subsequently zoned B-3 by the City Council.

The site was previously before the Planning Commission on February 17, 2021 for a 1-lot Subdivision which was allowed to expire, and on August 16, 2023 for a 2-lot Subdivision which was recorded in Probate Court as Theodore Veterinary Hospital Subdivision.

The site was previously before the Board of Zoning Adjustment at its May 1, 2023 meeting, where approvals were granted for Special Exception to allow the expansion of the existing veterinary hospital with outside runs in a B-3 suburban district, and Front Landscaping Variance to allow reduced front landscape area. However, as no permits were obtained within six-months, and no extensions were requested, the approvals were allowed to expire. The applicant obtained new Special Exception and Variance approvals at the Board of Adjustment's September 9, 2024 meeting.

STAFF COMMENTS

Engineering Comments:

NORTH OF THE SOUTHERN ENTRANCE TO HWY 90:

1. The current site conditions allow for sidewalk construction within the ROW.

SOUTH OF THE SOUTHERN ENTRANCE TO HWY 90:

2. Due to the size of the existing roadside drainage ditch and then Rabbit Creek to the south, it is recommended that this request be approved.

Traffic Engineering Comments:

U.S. Highway 90 West is an ALDOT maintained roadway, any work within their Right of Way will require their approval.

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 site is currently developed; however, the applicant is planning to build a large addition to the existing structure, increasing the footprint by more than 50%, which requires full compliance with the UDC standards including the provision of sidewalks along all street frontages.

As justification for the waiver the applicant states that the close proximity to Rabbit Creek, the fact that existing developments in the area are not built to be pedestrian friendly, and a lack of ALDOT support, as reasons that the sidewalk waiver should be granted.

A detailed description of the sidewalk waiver justification is available via the link on Page 1 of this report.

SIDEWALK WAIVER CONSIDERATIONS

Standards of Review:

The Mobile City Council adopted a “Complete Streets” policy on May 31, 2011. The purpose of the Complete Streets Policy is to support the design and construction of streets to enable safe access to all users, including pedestrians, bicyclists, transit riders, motorists, commercial and emergency vehicles, and for people of all ages and abilities.

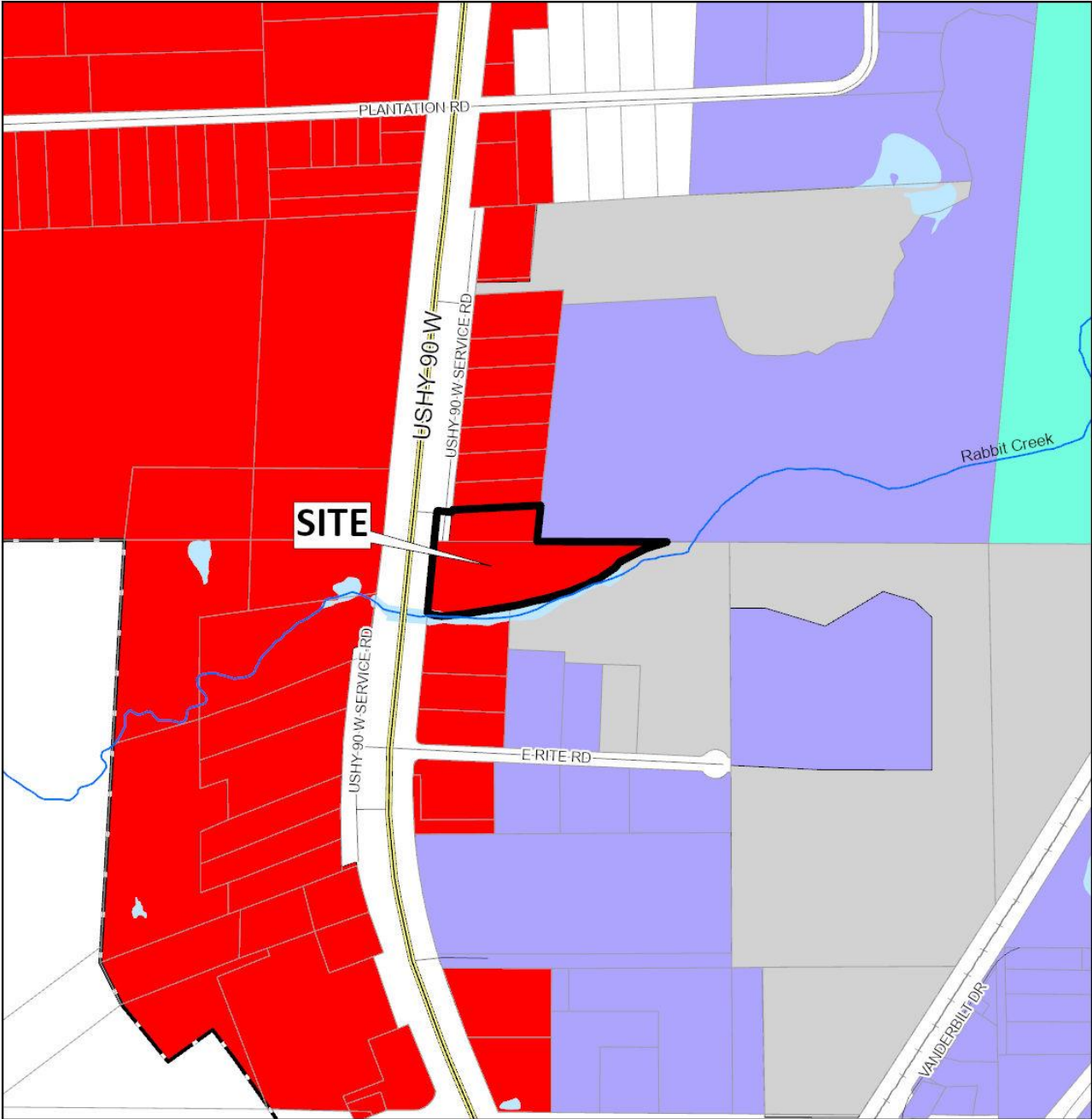
Sidewalks are typically encouraged, even in industrial developments, although the appropriateness of sidewalks should also take into account the existing infrastructure in the area, i.e., does the construction of the existing roadway safely allow for a sidewalk to be utilized.

Considerations:

In rendering a decision, the Planning Commission should evaluate the following factors:

1. The City of Mobile Complete Streets Policy which supports the design and construction of streets for all users, including pedestrians;
2. The existing infrastructure in the area, such as adequate room for construction of a sidewalk, as well as connectivity to existing sidewalks and future sidewalks; and
3. Engineering comments, which indicate that there is sufficient room within the ROW, or within the property, for the construction of sidewalks South of the Southern entrance to U.S. Highway 90 West that could be permitted through the Land Disturbance/ROW Permit process.

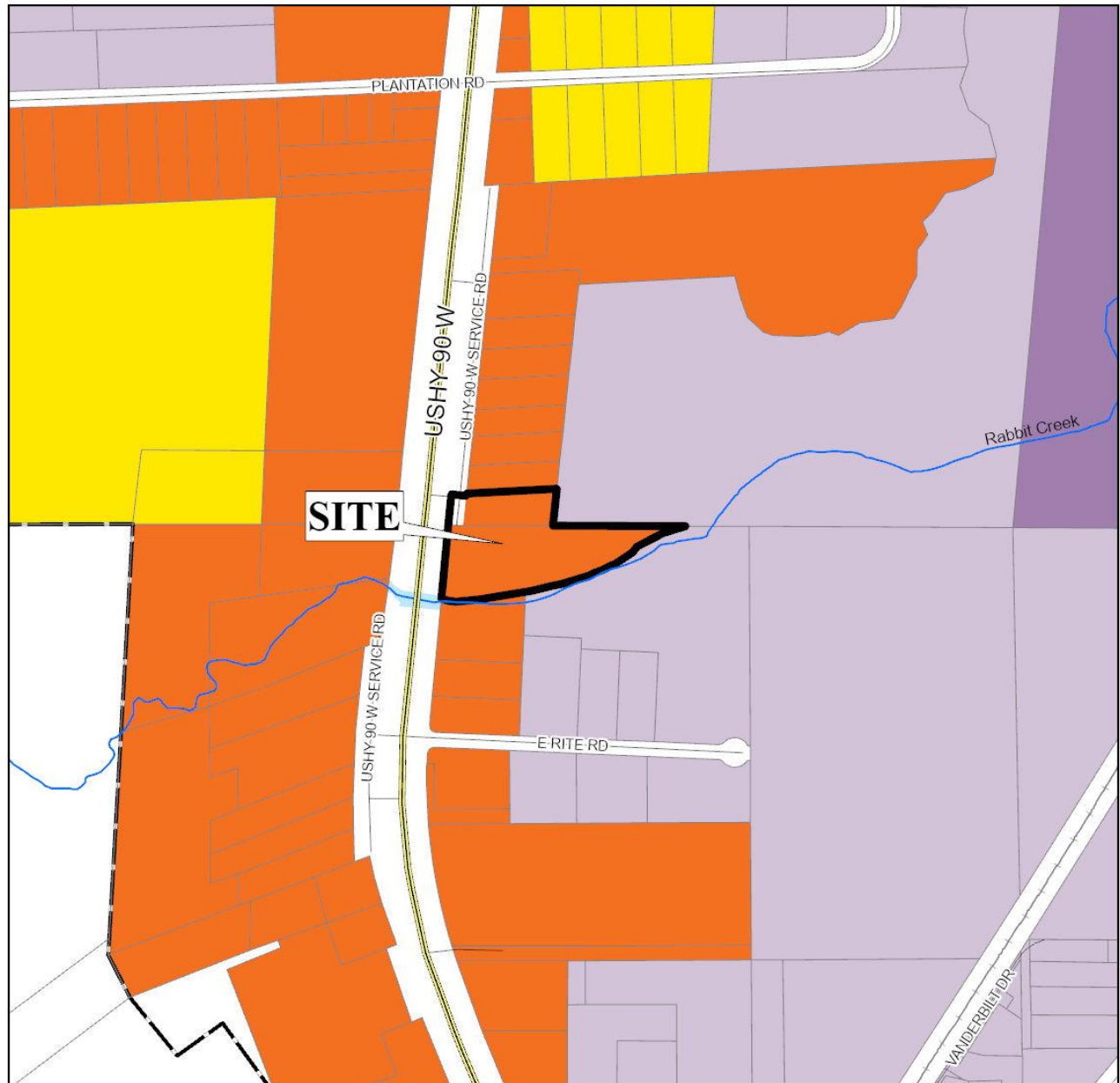
LOCATOR ZONING MAP



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FLUM LOCATOR MAP



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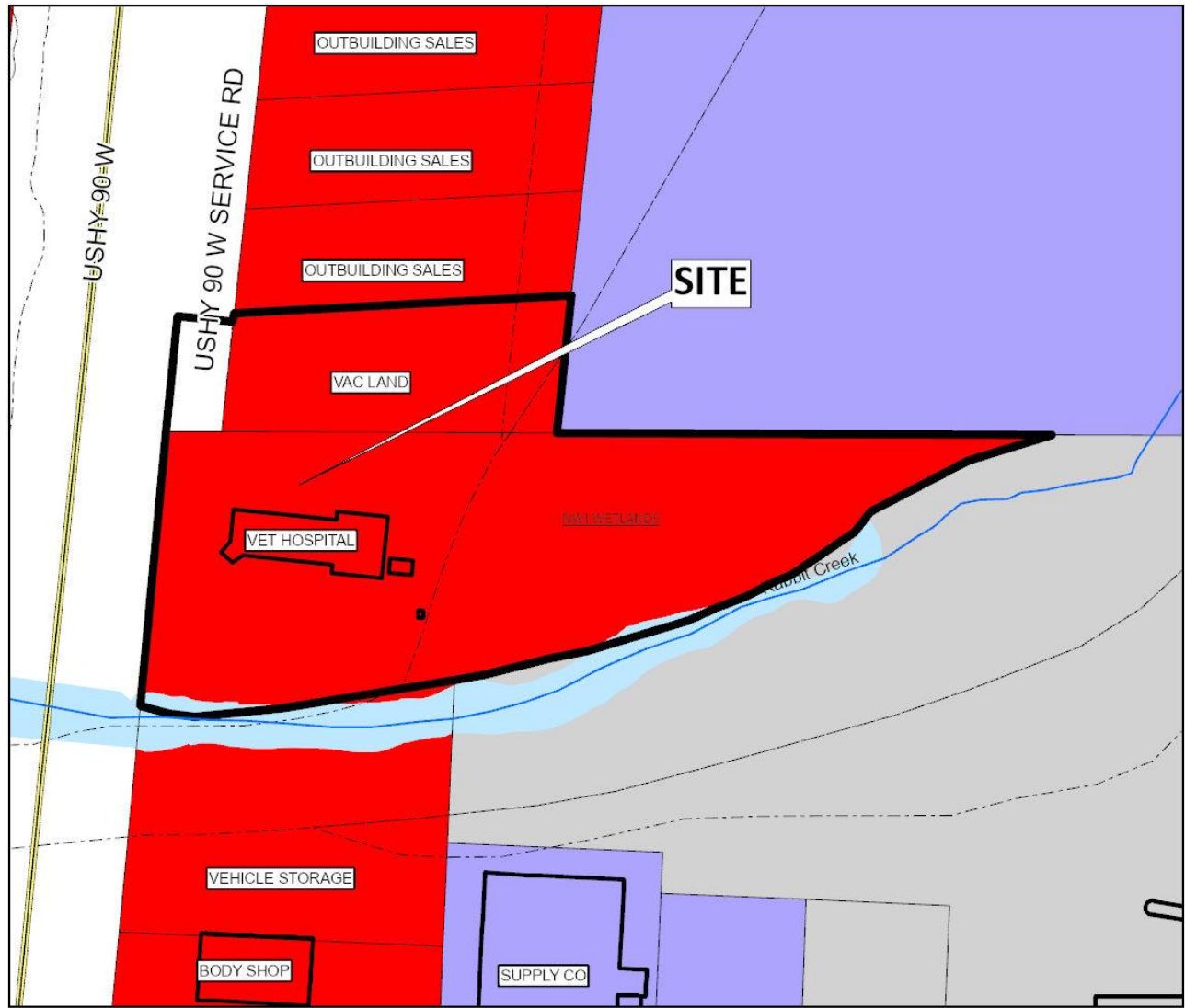
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| ■ Low Density Residential | ■ Neighborhood Center - Traditional | ■ Downtown Waterfront | ■ Parks & Open Space |
| ■ Mixed Density Residential | ■ Neighborhood Center - Suburban | ■ Light Industry | ■ Water Dependent |
| ■ Downtown | ■ Traditional Corridor | ■ Heavy Industry | |
| ■ District Center | ■ Mixed Commercial Corridor | ■ Institutional | |



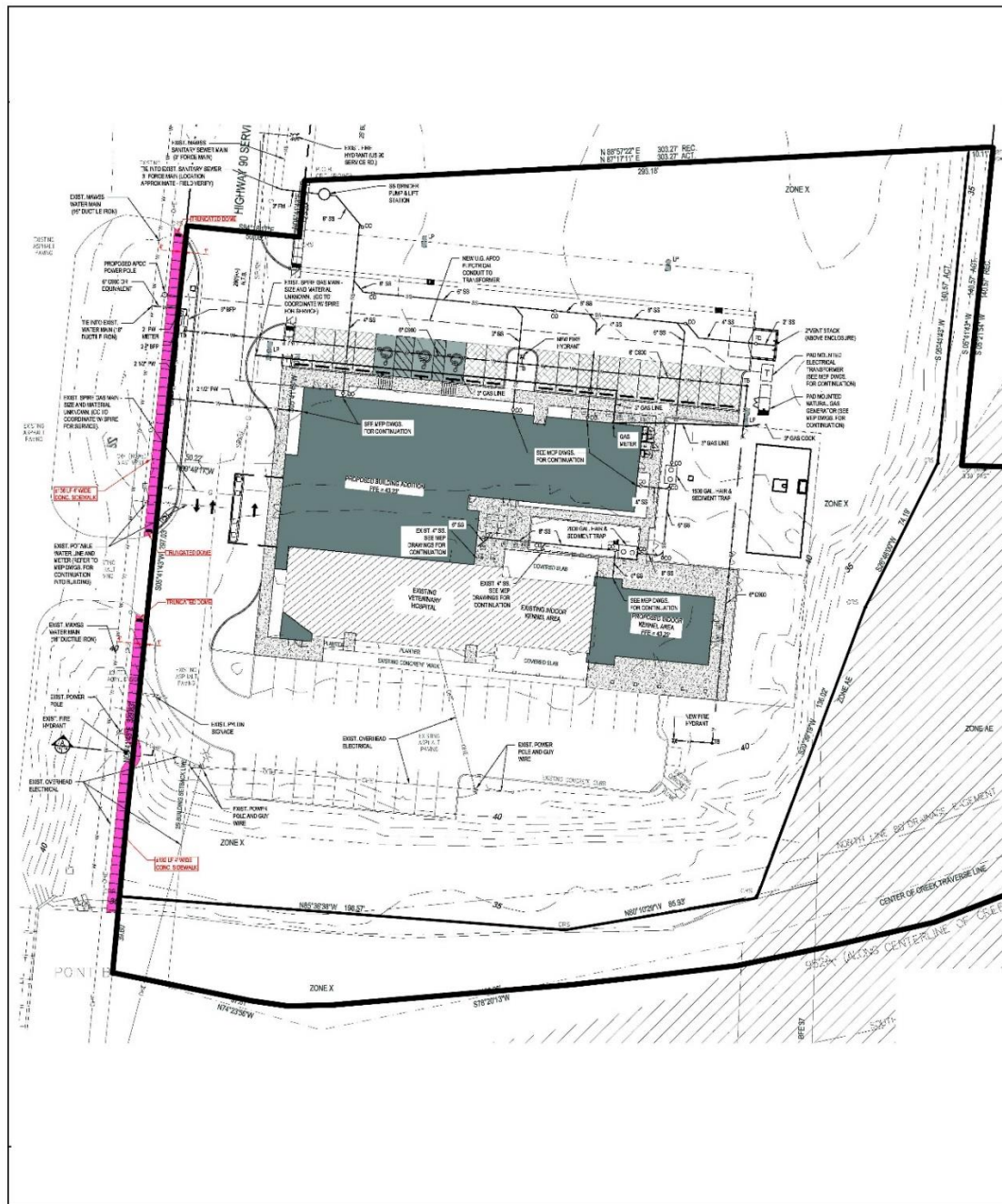
PLANNING COMMISSION VICINITY MAP - EXISTING ZONING



The site is surrounded by commercial and industrial units.

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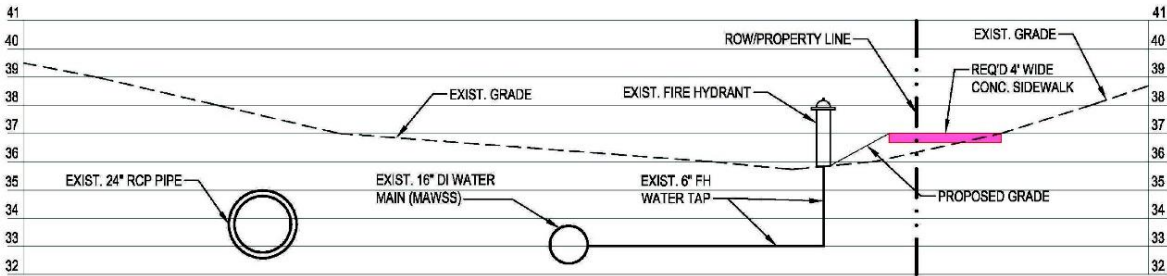
SITE PLAN



The site plan illustrates the existing building, proposed building additions, parking, and sidewalk waiver request locations.

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DETAIL SITE PLAN



A
SECTION: R.O.W. SIDEWALK
C-2.0 SCALE: 3/8"=1'-0"

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ZONING DISTRICT CORRESPONDENCE MATRIX		LOW DENSITY RESIDENTIAL (LDR)	MIXED DENSITY RESIDENTIAL (MXDR)	DOWNTOWN (DT)	DISTRICT CENTER (DC)	NEIGHBORHOOD CENTER - TRADITIONAL (NC-T)	NEIGHBORHOOD CENTER - SUBURBAN (NC-S)	TRADITIONAL CORRIDOR (TC)	MIXED COMMERCIAL CORRIDOR (MCC)	LIGHT INDUSTRIAL (LI)	HEAVY INDUSTRY (HI)	INSTITUTIONAL LAND USE (INS)	PARKS & OPEN SPACE (POS)	DOWNTOWN WATERFRONT (DW)	WATER DEPENDENT USES (WDWURU)
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MULTIPLE-FAMILY	R-3	○	■			■	■						□	○	
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TRANSITIONAL-BUSINESS	T-B		○		■	■	■	■					□		
HISTORIC BUSINESS	H-B			■		■		■					□		
VILLAGE CENTER	TCD					■	■						□		
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LIMITED BUSINESS	LB-2		○			□	■	■	■				□	○	
COMMUNITY BUSINESS	B-3				■				■			○	□	○	
GEN. BUSINESS	B-4			■					■			○	□	○	
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)



MIXED COMMERCIAL CORRIDOR (MCC)

This land use designation mostly applies to transportation corridors west of I-65 serving primarily the low-density (suburban) residential neighborhoods. MCC includes a wide variety of retail, services and entertainment uses.

This designation acknowledges existing commercial development that is spread along Mobile's transportation corridors in a conventional strip pattern or concentrated into shorter segments of a corridor.

Over time, new development and redevelopment in Mixed Commercial Corridors is encouraged to raise design quality, improve connectivity to surrounding neighborhoods; improved streetscapes; and improve mobility and accessibility for all users of the corridor.