

## 09-11-2019 Town Council Meeting

### Responses to Council Questions

#### **ITEM #13: Concept Plan Review: Wegmans Food Market and SECU Street Connection**

**Council Question:**

How long would the multi-use path actually be?

**Staff Response:**

*The path is approximately 400 feet long.*

**Council Question:**

In what way is the CDC concerned about SECU stub-outs and future development?

**Staff Response:**

*The presence of stub-outs on the SECU property indicate development that does not currently exist. The CDC is concerned about approving this roadway design without knowing what SECU has planned.*

**Council Question:**

Is CDC concerned about the impact of this reconfiguration of the service road on stub-outs and future development?

**Staff Response:**

*See answer above.*

**Council Question:**

How many trees would be removed at the SECU site, under this reconfiguration of the service road?

**Staff Response:**

*Those details were not provided with the concept plan. However, the street will pass through a primarily wooded area of the SECU property.*

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**Council Question:**

What would be the feasibility of getting a 4-way crosswalk at the intersection of US 15-501 and Eastowne Drive?

**Staff Response:**

*As part of the approved SUP plans, crosswalks are being provided across Eastowne Dr. and 15-501. The new Concept Plan also shows a crosswalk across the Service Rd. This creates a 3-way crosswalk, focusing pedestrians on the north side of the 15-501 intersection. This is due in part to the sidewalk not extending to 15-501 near Pinegate Apartments.*

**Council Question:**

To what extent would the reconfiguration of a service road intersecting with 15-501 on this stretch require the involvement of the DOT?

**Staff Response:**

*NCDOT has been involved in the preliminary conversations about this concept plan, and have verbally agreed to a realignment of the Service Road. They will need to be heavily involved in the design, since the road is maintained by NCDOT.*

**Council Question:**

Under this proposed road, would a sidewalk line the entire service road?

**Staff Response:**

*With the exception of approximately 150 feet near Hardees, the Service Road would have a sidewalk along one side of the street.*

**Council Question:**

If the applicant did go forward via the SUP route, which advisory boards would make recommendations on this?

**Staff Response:**

*The Planning Commission, Community Design Commission, Transportation and Connectivity Advisory Board, and Environmental and Sustainability Advisory Board are development review boards. The Council may choose to limit the review of this proposal to specific boards.*

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**Council Question:**

How is this a change from the previous traffic calming plan that we postponed at the end of last session? Are those traffic calming measures still in place as well?

**Staff Response:**

*A revised Transportation Impact Analysis (TIA) is being prepared as part of the SUP Modification application for Wegmans to determine the impact due to the proposed Service Road realignment. The revised TIA includes collecting new counts and revised analysis of traffic conditions. Town staff will work with the Applicant and residents to finalize the traffic calming plan after completion of the revised TIA. The proposed traffic calming plan will be presented to the Council as part of the SUP Modification application.*

**Council Question:**

What are staff responses to advisory board concerns, such as traffic counts including Eastowne, traffic concerns, view of the back of the building now that elevations are done, etc.?

**Staff Response:**

*Town Staff typically does not respond to Advisory Board comments; rather, those comments are passed directly to Council. However, a revised Transportation Impact Analysis (TIA) is being prepared as part of the SUP Modification application for Wegmans to determine the impact due to the proposed Service Road realignment. The revised TIA includes collecting new counts and revised analysis of traffic conditions.*