

CONCEPT PLAN REVIEW: 5500 AND 5502 OLD CHAPEL HILL ROAD (PROJECT #21-055)

SUMMARY REPORT

TOWN OF CHAPEL HILL PLANNING DEPARTMENT

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PROPERTY ADDRESS

MEETING DATE

APPLICANT

5500 and 5502 Old Chapel Hill Road

October 13, 2021

CJT, PA, on behalf of EB Capital Partners

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

That the Council adopt the resolution transmitting comments to the applicant regarding the proposed development.

PROCESS

- The Council will hear the applicant's presentation, receive comments from the Community Design Commission, Housing Advisory Board, and Stormwater Utility Management Advisory Board, hear public comments, and offer suggestions to the applicant.
- Because this review is a Concept Plan submittal, statements by individual Council members this evening do not represent an official position or commitment on the part of a Council member with respect to the position he or she may take when and if the Council considers a formal application.
- The Community Design Commission reviewed a concept plan for this site on September 28, 2021.
- The Housing Advisory Board reviewed a concept plan for this site on September 14, 2021.
- The Stormwater Utility Management Advisory Board reviewed a concept plan for this site on September 28, 2021.

DECISION POINTS

- The site is located in the North 15-501 Corridor Area of the Future Land Use Map (FLUM).
- The FLUM identifies multifamily residential as one of the primary land uses.

PROJECT OVERVIEW

This approximately 6.5-acre site is located on the north side of Old Chapel Hill Road, just to the west of Interstate 40 (I-40). The site is zoned Residential-1 (R-1). There are currently a single-family dwelling unit and several outbuildings on the property.

The applicant proposes to construct a 90-unit, four-to-five story apartment building and 126 parking spaces. The plan shows the portion of the parcel south of the stream being developed as part of this proposal. The proposal does not propose any encroachment into the stream buffer.



ATTACHMENTS

- 1. Concept Plan Report
- 2. Draft Staff Presentation
- 3. Resolution A, transmitting comments to the applicant
- 4. Advisory Board recommendations (to be attached)
- 5. Applicant Materials



LONG-RANGE PLANS EVALUATION 5500 and 5502 Old Chapel Hill Road

The following report provides an evaluation by Planning Staff of the Concept Plan site, based on long-range planning considerations.

PROPERTY ADDRESS	APPLICANT	CURRENT ZONING DISTRICT
5500 and 5502 Old Chapel Hill Road	Wendi Ramsden CJT, PA	Residential-1 (R-1)

EXISTING LAND USE Vacant / Undeveloped	PROPOSED LAND USE Multifamily Residential		
SURROUNDING PROPERTIES – EXISTING LAND USES I-40 freeway (North/East), Single-family residence (East, West, and South)			
FUTURE LAND USE MAP (FLUM) FOCUS AREA North 15-501 Corridor	FLUM SUB-AREA A		
OTHER APPLICABLE ADOPTED PLANS ☑ Mobility and Connectivity Plan			
☑ Parks Comprehensive Plan			
☑ Greenways Master Plan	$\hfill \square$ West Rosemary Street Development Guide		
⊠ Chapel Hill Bike Plan	☐ Central West Small Area Plan		
☑ Cultural Arts Plan			

SUMMARY OF PLAN CONSIDERATIONS AFFECTING SITE

Map excerpts on following pages demonstrate the Plan Considerations listed below. The location of 5500 Old Chapel Hill Road is marked with the symbol.

Future Land Use Map (FLUM)

- The project is located in the North 15-501 Corridor Sub-Area A.
- Multifamily Residential is identified as one of the appropriate Primary land uses.
- Typical Height in the Sub-Area is 4-6 stories.
- Transitional Area is on the south side of the site.

Mobility and Connectivity Plan

• NC Department of Transportation is nearing completion of a project to upgrade Old Chapel Hill Road with pedestrian and bicycle facilities.

Parks Comprehensive Plan

- The site does not fall within a Community Park or Neighborhood Park Service Area.
- No additional Neighborhood Parks or Community Parks are proposed in the vicinity of the site.

Greenways Master Plan

 The applicant should coordinate with Chapel Hill Parks & Recreation for the latest information on trail alignment, design, and construction timing.

Chapel Hill Bike Plan

 Mapping of future bike facilities in the Bike Plan is superseded by the Mobility and Connectivity Plan. The Bike Plan provides some additional detail on facility design.

Cultural Arts Plan

No opportunities for integrating public art are identified at locations that impact the site.

Stormwater Management Master Plan

The site is mostly located in the Clark Lake 1 (JL1) Basin. The applicant should coordinate with Chapel Hill's Stormwater Management Division to understand relevant stormwater considerations.

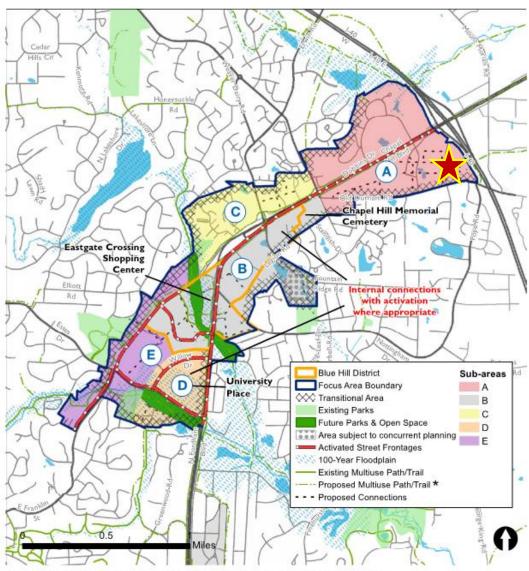
Climate Action and Response Plan (NEW)

(Note: no map excerpt provided, as the Plan is generally text-based)

- Developing the site in accordance with the Future Land Use Map and Mobility Plan would contribute to the following Plan actions:
 - Create walkable, bikeable, transit-served neighborhoods
 Increase bicycling, walking, and transit use
- Conditions for development could contribute to the other actions in the plan such as:
 - Net-zero emissions for new construction
 - Create a town-wide EV charging station network
 - Protect water quality, natural, and agricultural resources
 - Enhance green infrastructure

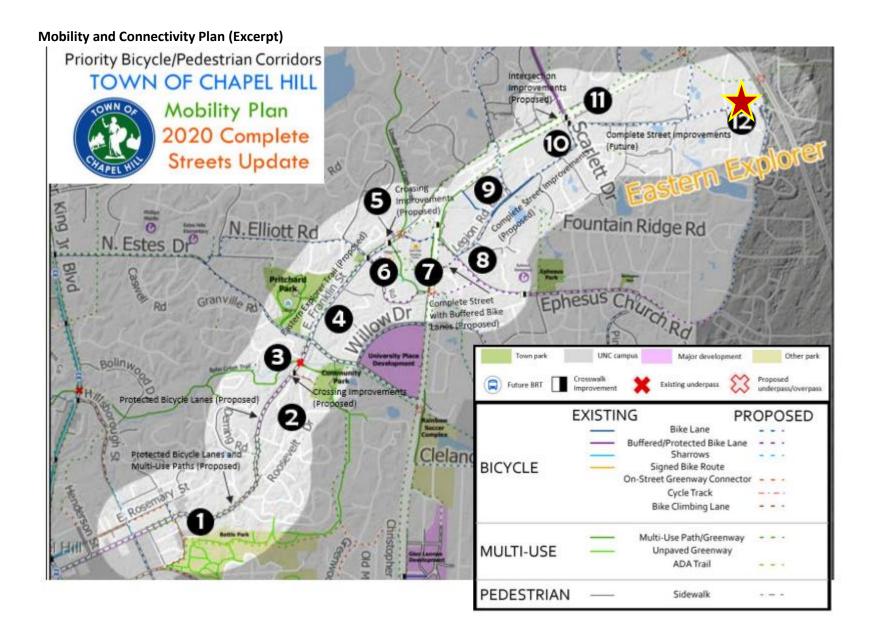
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Future Land Use Map (Excerpt)

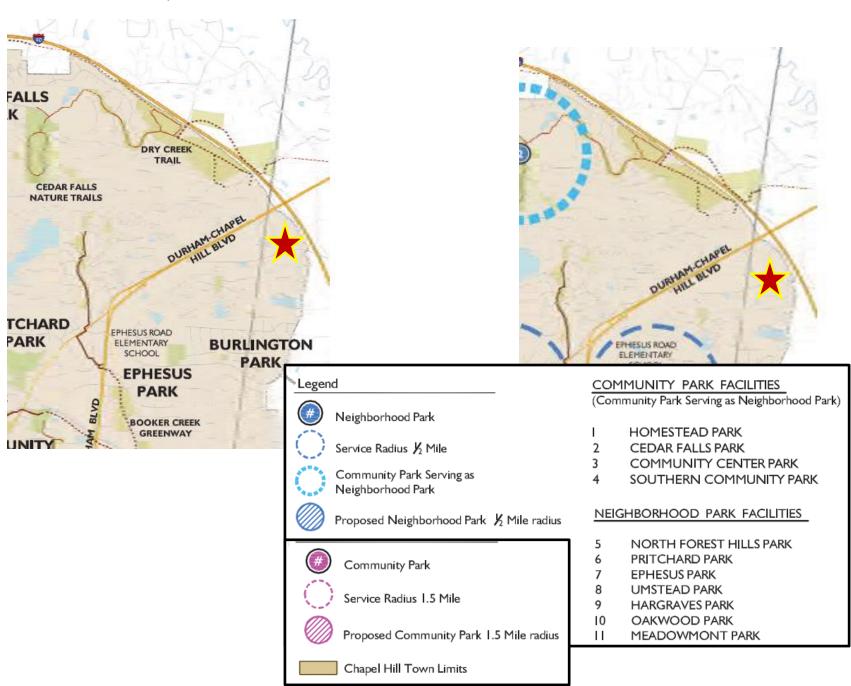


^{*} See Mobility Plan for more information about proposed multi-modal improvements

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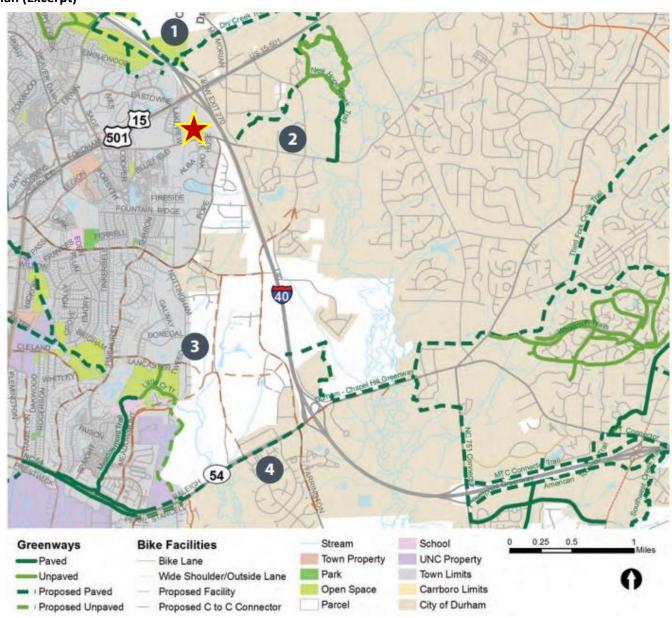


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Greenways Master Plan (Excerpt)

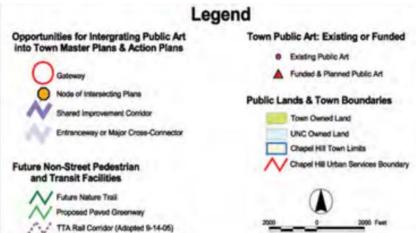


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Cultural Arts Plan (Excerpt)





Stormwater Management Master Plan (Excerpt)

