Planning Commission Agenda

November 9, 2023

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The next Planning Commission meeting is on December 14, 2023

1. RZ-2023-022 PRESENTED BY: Pilgreen and Bostick Engineering

REPRESENTING: Sara Beasley

SUBJECT: Request to rezone one (1) lot located on the southwest corner of Perry Hill Road and Elmdale Road from an R-75-m (Multi-Family Residential) Zoning District to a B-2 (Commercial) Zoning District.

REMARKS: The intended use for this property is for the <u>expansion of Pickwick Antiques</u>. The adjacent property has B-2 (Commercial) to the south; B-4 (Commercial) to the east; and R-75-m (Multi-Family Residential) to the north and west.

The Envision Montgomery 2040 Comprehensive Plan recommends Flex Commercial.

Department of Planning Comment(s): The Planning Department does not object to the proposed rezoning request. The proposed rezoning request is consistent with the Envision Montgomery 2040 Comprehensive Plan for Flex Commercial for this corner location only.

This request was delayed at the October 26, 2023 meeting, by the applicant, to meet with neighbors after the public hearing was held.

CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT: 7

PLEASE NOTE:

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FLEX COMMERCIAL (FC)

The Flex Commercial classification comprises the mix of retail, service, and other commercial development along major streets and highway corridors. The classification targets existing strip centers, "Big-box" stores, drive-thru restaurants, and/or similar auto-oriented commercial uses along major thoroughfares. Flex loosens the use requirements along these corridors to encourage redevelopment or re-use of existing buildings and combat vacancy through incorporation of office and light industrial uses. The Flex classification increases permissible density and height restrictions with an emphasis on high quality design of buildings, grounds, and landscape. Flex districts seek to limit access through consolidated intersections and improve pedestrian connectivity between and across parcels.

INTENT

- Concentrate larger, more intensive uses near major thoroughfares or intersections with development "stepping-down" when approaching residential neighborhoods.
- * Reduce surface parking and encourage shared parking between complementary uses.
- Encourage new development to address the streetscape and allow for pedestrian activity along the street frontage while remaining primarily auto-oriented.
- ★ Redirect parking between the building and street towards the side or behind buildings.
- ★ Reduce access points for individual developments and encourage shared access points to improve pedestrian and vehicular safety.

SECONDARY USES

★ Multi-family Residential

★ Civic / Institutional

★ Parks and Open Space

PRIMARY USES

- ★ Commercial (small and large format)
- ★ Office
- ★ Light Industrial
- ★ Warehousing / Fulfillment







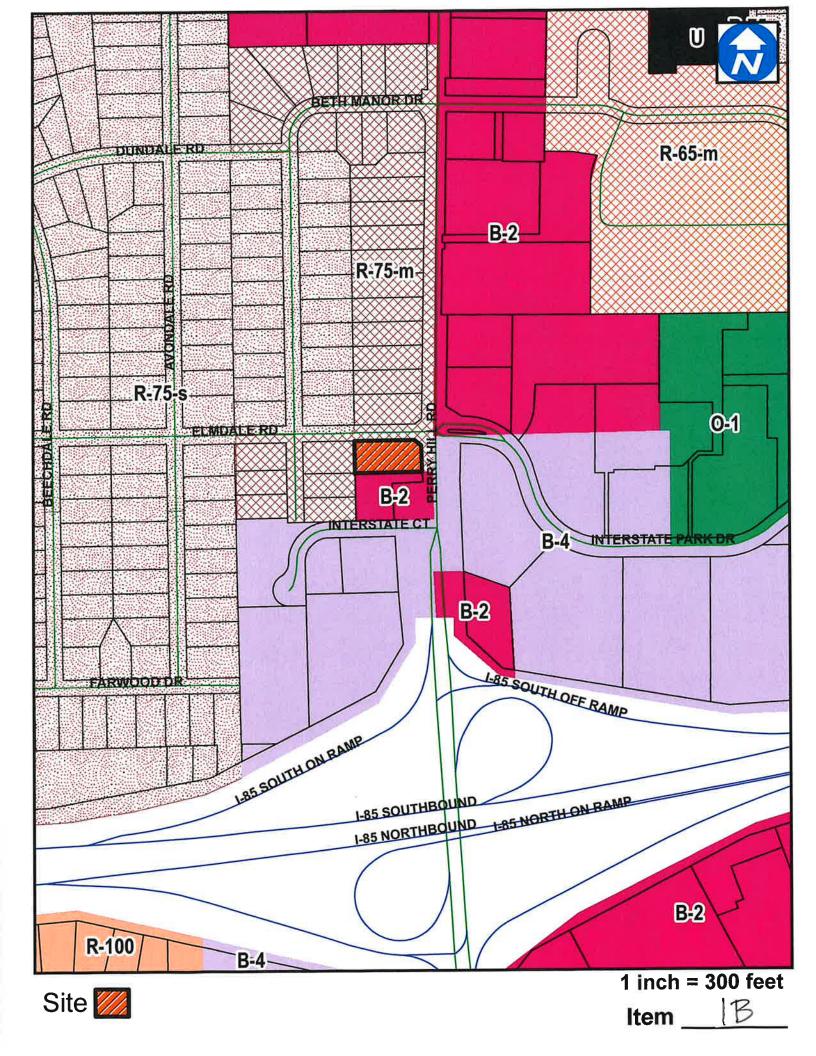




BUILDING BLOCKS

Height Range	1 - 3 stories		
Building Form	Mix of large and small footprint buildings that may be occupied by single or multiple tenants, attached or freestanding		
Building Setback	20 - 50 feet		
Streets	Along primary corridors with shared access drives connecting individual developments		

Transportation	Potential walking or biking, transit, automobile	
Parking	Shared parking areas located in off- street parking lots.	
Open Spaces	Increased landscaping and "green infrastructure" elements, plazas, parks	





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2. RZ-2023-023 PRESENTED BY: Pilgreen and Bostick Engineering

REPRESENTING: EEM, LLC

SUBJECT: Request to rezone property on the west side of Brooks Road, approximately 1,000 ft. north of Wetumpka Highway, from R-50 (Single-Family Residential), FH (Flood Hazard), and AGR-2 (General Agriculture) Zoning Districts to an M-1 (Light Industrial) Zoning District.

REMARKS: The intended use for this property is for <u>tractor trailer storage</u>. The adjacent property has M-1 (Light Industrial) and FH (Flood Hazard) to the north; R-50 (Single-Family Residential) to the east and west; and R-50 (Single-Family Residential), AGR-2 (General Agriculture) and FH (Flood Hazard) to the south.

The Envision Montgomery 2040 Comprehensive Plan recommends *Potential Open Space*.

Department of Planning Comment(s): The Planning Department objects to the proposed rezoning request. The proposed rezoning request is not consistent with the Envision Montgomery 2040 Comprehensive Plan. The majority of the subject property is in a flood zone. Also, the subject property backs up and is adjacent to existing residential homes on Sanders Lane and Hayden Drive.

This request was delayed at the October 26, 2023 meeting, by the applicant, to meet with neighbors after the public hearing was held.

CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT: 2

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INSTITUTIONAL / CIVIC (IN)

Land and buildings occupied by municipal and other governmental agencies for the exercise of their functions, such as major libraries, airports, public schools and public safety facilities. Semi-public uses such as hospitals and other major institutions such as large church facilities are included. These sites often have a development pattern that is unique to each area and may differ significantly from their surroundings. Small-scale institutional uses may be incorporated into the surrounding context in residential or commercial areas.

INTENT

- Encourage integration of institutional uses with adjacent neighborhoods, urban areas, commercial corridors, and open spaces.
- Provide appropriate connectivity to nearby uses through sidewalks, paths and streets.



OPEN SPACE / RECREATION (OS)

Public and private parks, recreational open space or undeveloped natural areas that are permanently protected from development by the city, state, county, or some other authority. This classification also includes golf courses that function as open space.

INTENT

- ★ Ensure parks and public recreational amenities are available to all neighborhoods.
- ★ Conserve environmentally sensitive land.
- ★ Develop a connected open space system through trail connections between natural areas and designated parks, public or private.



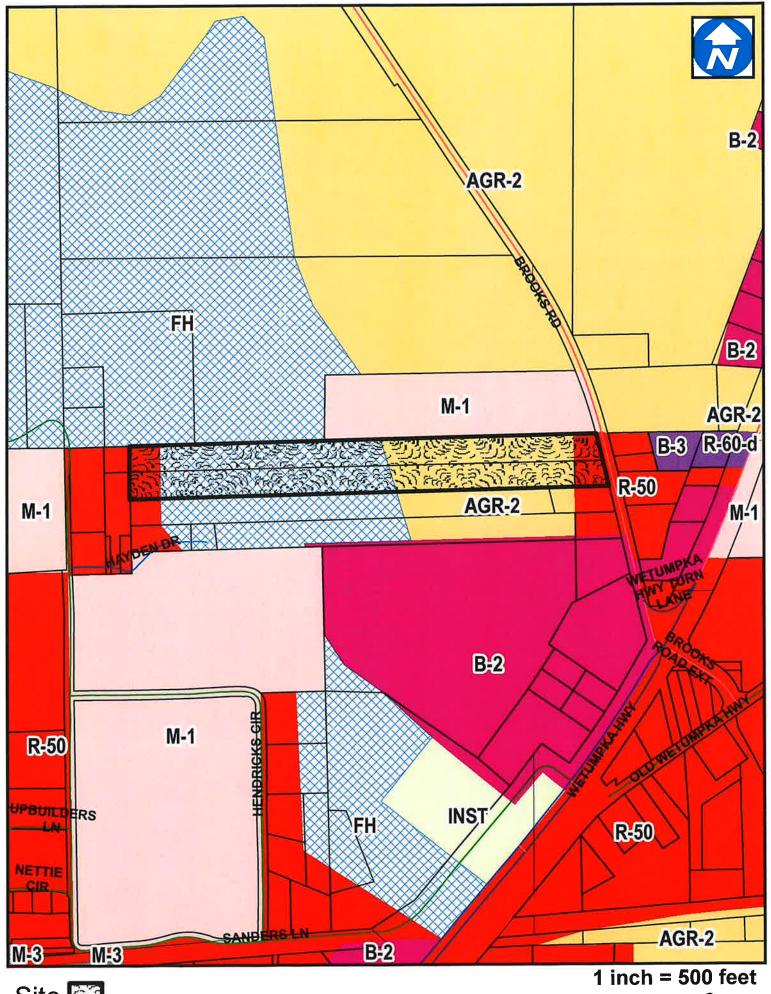
POTENTIAL OPEN SPACE (PO)

Potential Open Space is undeveloped land that is not currently preserved but should be considered for conservation. These areas often exhibit potential for flooding or are deemed inappropriate for development due to significant physical or environmental limitations. In some cases, these lands also serve as buffers to separate areas that may have the potential to become conflicting land uses.

INTENT

- ★ Consider formal conservation of environmentally sensitive land through various means.
- ★ Minimize development in designated areas based on existing natural features.
- ★ Develop a connected open space system through trail connections between natural areas and designated parks, public or private.
- Promote buffering of incompatible land uses using natural features such as greenways, waterways, and wooded areas.





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3. RZ-2023-026 PRESENTED BY: Pilgreen and Bostick Engineering

REPRESENTING: Ann R. Dees

SUBJECT: Request to rezone one (1) lot located on the west side of Ann Street, approximately 130 ft. north of Brewton Street (aka 148 Ann Street), from an O-1 (Office) Zoning District to a B-2 (Commercial) Zoning District.

REMARKS: The intended use for this property is for <u>commercial use</u>. The adjacent property has R-60-s (Single-Family Residential) zoning to the north, south and west; and INST (Institutional) zoning to the east.

The Envision Montgomery 2040 Comprehensive Plan recommends *Traditional Neighborhood*.

Department of Planning Comment(s): Under review.

CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT: 3

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TRADITIONAL NEIGHBORHOOD (TN)

Residential area featuring a mix of housing types with single-family neighborhood appearance. This category applies to established neighborhoods and new development that encapsulate many qualities of central neighborhoods including a walkable block pattern and integrated amenities such as parks, schools and neighborhood commercial. These areas include some of Montgomery's oldest neighborhoods such as Cloverdale and Garden District along with new developments like Hampstead. While predominantly single-family residential on small lots, these neighborhoods may include areas of larger lot single-family and attached or multi-family dwellings.

INTENT

- Maintain the existing neighborhood character. Allow residential infill development that is compatible in scale and design to neighboring homes.
- Continue historic preservation efforts and encourage restoration of historic properties.
- Provide code enforcement measures to address unmaintained homes and properties to stabilize declining areas.
- Continue efforts to provide resources for property and neighborhood maintenance to neighborhood associations.

PRIMARY USES

- Single-family Residential (Small-lot)
- ★ "Missing Middle" housing (i.e. Duplex, Triplex, garden, etc.)
- * Attached Town Homes

SECONDARY USES

- ★ Small-format Commercial
- ★ Civic / Institutional
- ★ Parks and Open Space







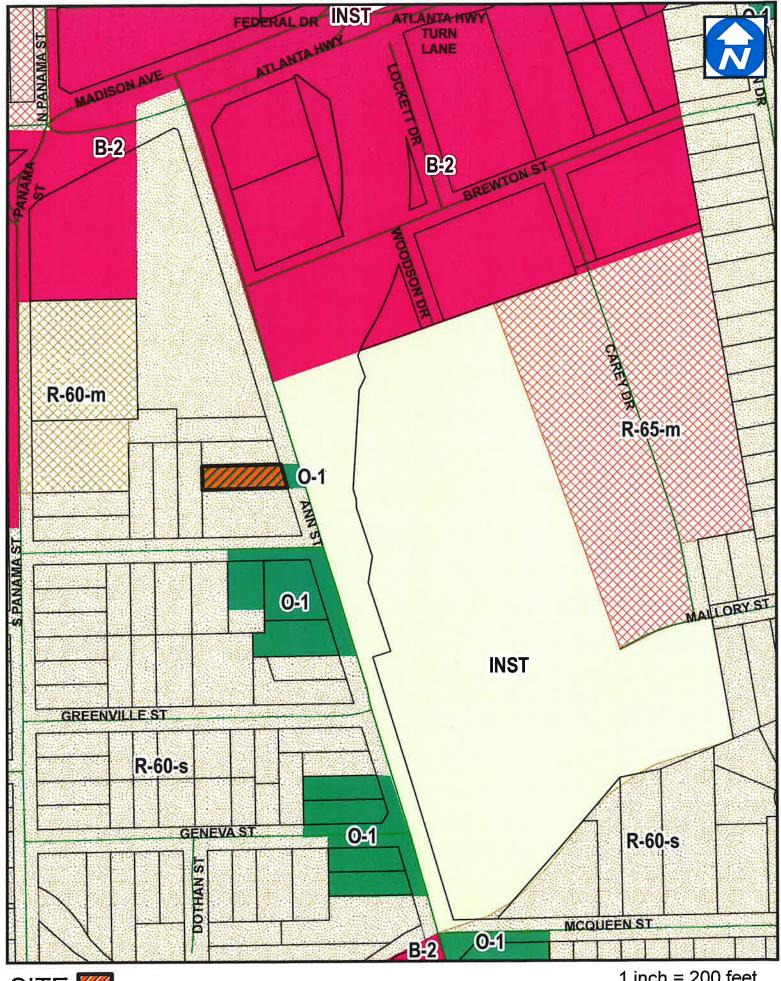




BUILDING BLOCKS

Height Range	1 - 2.5 stories		
Building Form	Variety of building types and sizes attached and freestanding		
Building Setback	10 - 30 feet (generally consistent within a block)		
Streets	Small, grid like blocks with a high degree of street connectivity		

Transportation	Walking, biking, transit, automobile		
Parking	On-street and private off-street (both alley-loaded and front-loaded driveways / garages)		
Open Spaces	Pocket parks within neighborhoods, connections to schools and community parks		



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4. RZ-2023-019 PRESENTED BY: Larry E. Speaks & Associates

REPRESENTING: RHMP Holdings LP

SUBJECT: Request to rezone property containing 11.28 acres, more or less, located on the south side of McGehee Road, approximately 1,500 ft. north of East South Boulevard, from a B-3 (Commercial) Zoning District to an M-1 (Light Industrial) Zoning District.

REMARKS: The intended use for this property is *fulfillment center & distribution center*. This property is surrounded by B-3 (Commercial) zoning.

The Envision Montgomery 2040 Comprehensive Plan recommends Regional Mixed-Use Center.

Department of Planning Comment(s): The Planning Department objects to the proposed rezoning request. The proposed rezoning request is not consistent with the Envision Montgomery 2040 Comprehensive Plan Future Use Table and Map for a Regional Mixed-Use Center. A fulfillment center and distribution center are not allowed in the Regional Mixed-Use Center designation. Fulfillment center and distribution centers are allowed in locations along the Southern Boulevard corridor that allow for the Future Land Use Designation of Flex Commercial. Fulfillment centers and distribution centers typically bring large 18-wheeler trucks as a constant movement and this would not be a good fit for the proposed location with public schools, police, fire and medical uses already there. There are other locations that should be considered for the proposed land use.

CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT: 5

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REGIONAL MIXED USE (MUC)

A major activity center that integrates places to live, work, and shop. A Regional MUC may include a variety of commercial (restaurant and retail), office, and residential uses, arranged on a site in a compact, walkable pattern. It may include vertical mixed-use buildings where residential or office uses exist above ground-floor retail or horizontal mixed use where uses exist adjacent to one another. This also includes locations for strategic redevelopment opportunity which focus on revitalizing former regional destinations such as the Mall at Capital Plaza and Eastdale Mall. These activity centers may be anchored by a large commercial use or a major office or institutional employer with a Citywide or regional-wide reach.

INTENT

- Promote redevelopment of existing or former activity centers from single-use, auto-oriented developments to walkable mixed use environments.
- Encourage pedestrian activity through design of quality streetscapes including sidewalks, open spaces, and landscaping.
- Provide connectivity to nearby uses and neighborhoods through sidewalks, paths and streets.
- Promote integration of various modes of transportation (walk, bicycle, automobile, transit) to reinforce regional influence.
- Reduce access points for individual developments and encourage shared access points to improve safety

PRIMARY USES

- Vertical Mixed-Use
- ★ Office
- * Commercial
- * Civic / Institutional
- * Multi-family Residential

SECONDARY USES

- Attached Town Homes
- "Missing Middle" housing (i.e. Duplex, Triplex, garden, etc.)
- ⋆ Parks and Open Space







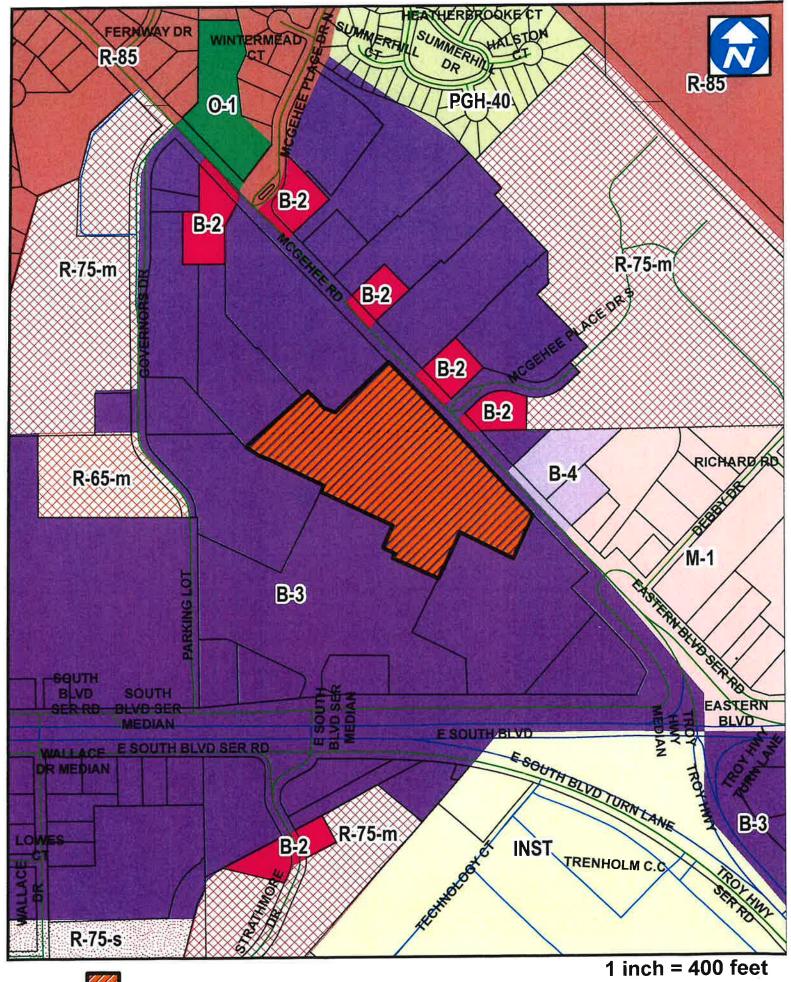




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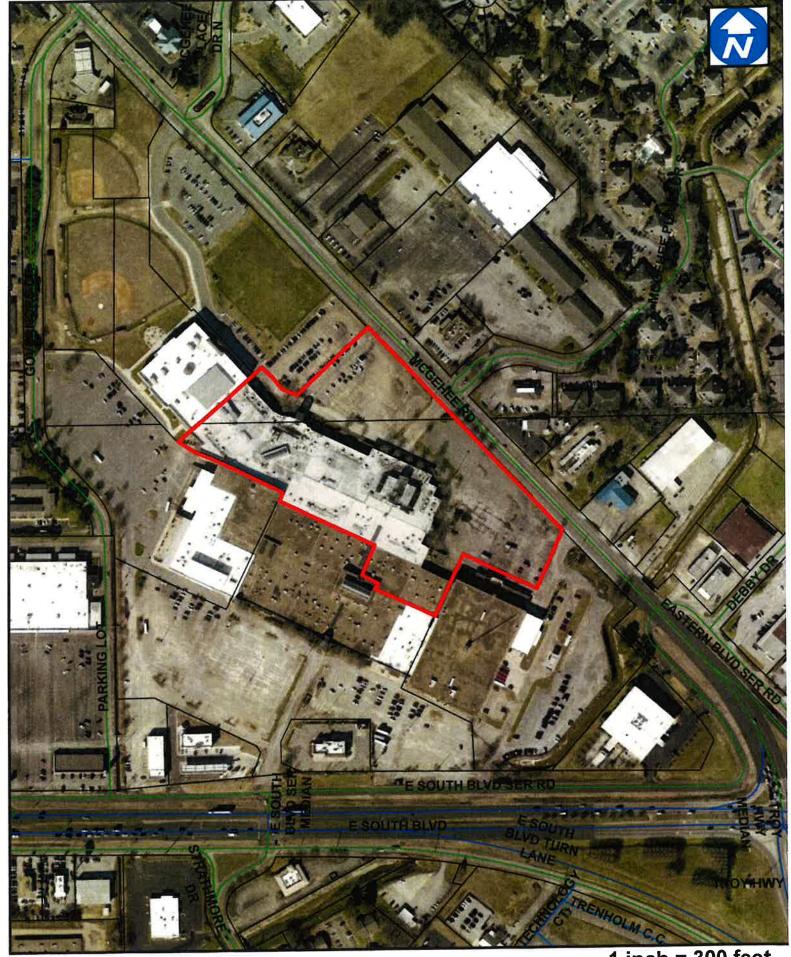
Height Range	2 - 6 stories	Transportation	Walking, biking, transit, automobile
Building Form	Mix of large footprint buildings and smaller buildings that may be occupied by a single or multiple commercial tenant(s)	Parking	Shared parking areas located in off-street parking lots. Structured parking and on-street parking may be appropriate
Building Setback	0 - 30 feet	Open Spaces	"Green Infrastructure" and landscaping on individual sites, plazas and pocket
Streets	Along primary corridors with shared access drives connecting individual		parks

developments (Grid street network)



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5. MP-2020-002 PRESENTED BY: Flowers & White Engineering

REPRESENTING:

SUBJECT: Request approval of a revised master plan for property located on the north side of Atlanta Highway, approximately 600 ft. east of Stoneybrooke Way, in a PUD (Planned Unit Development) Zoning District.

REMARKS: The master plan was approved in 2022 and the applicant is requesting the following changes:

Single-Family Residential

	Previously Approved	Proposed Changes
Lot Size:	40 ft.	30 ft.
Setbacks:		
Front:	20 ft.	5 ft.
Rear:	15 ft.	5 ft.
Sides:	5 ft.	5 ft.
Street Side:	10 ft.	5 ft.
Parking:	2 spaces	2 spaces

Multi-Family Residential

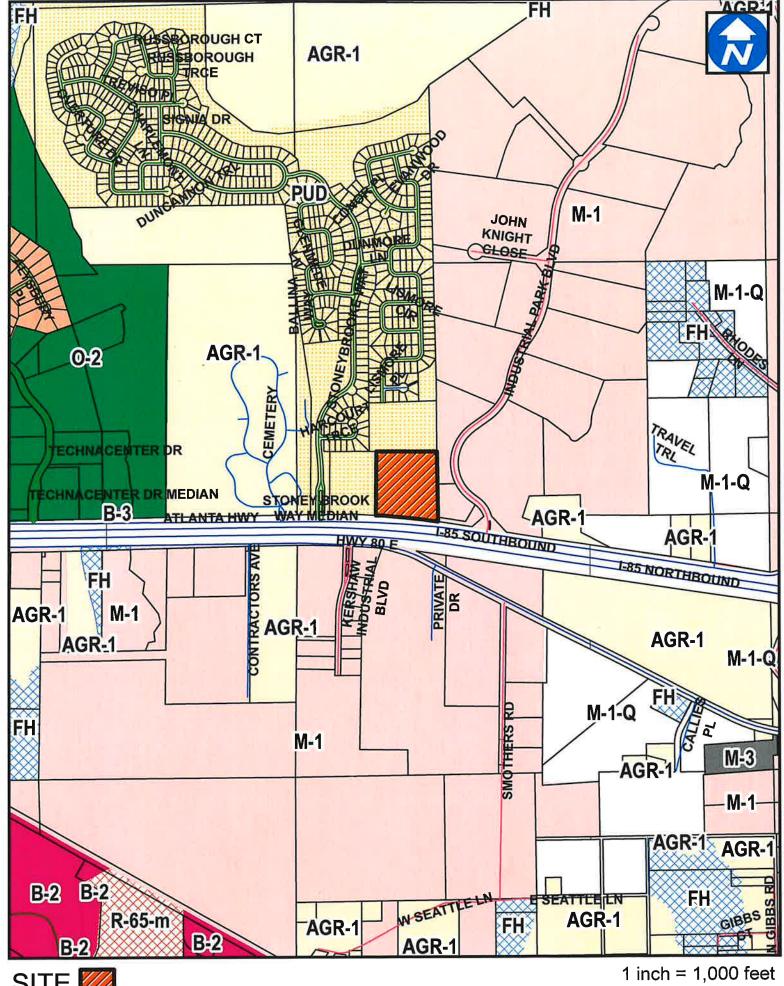
	Previously Approved	Proposed Changes
Lot Size:	Varies	Varies
Setbacks:		
Front:	15 ft.	5 ft.
Rear:	5 ft.	5 ft.
Sides:	5 ft.	5 ft.
Street Side:	5 ft.	5 ft.
Parking:	2 spaces	2 spaces

The private road is a one-way road throughout the development.

CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT: 8

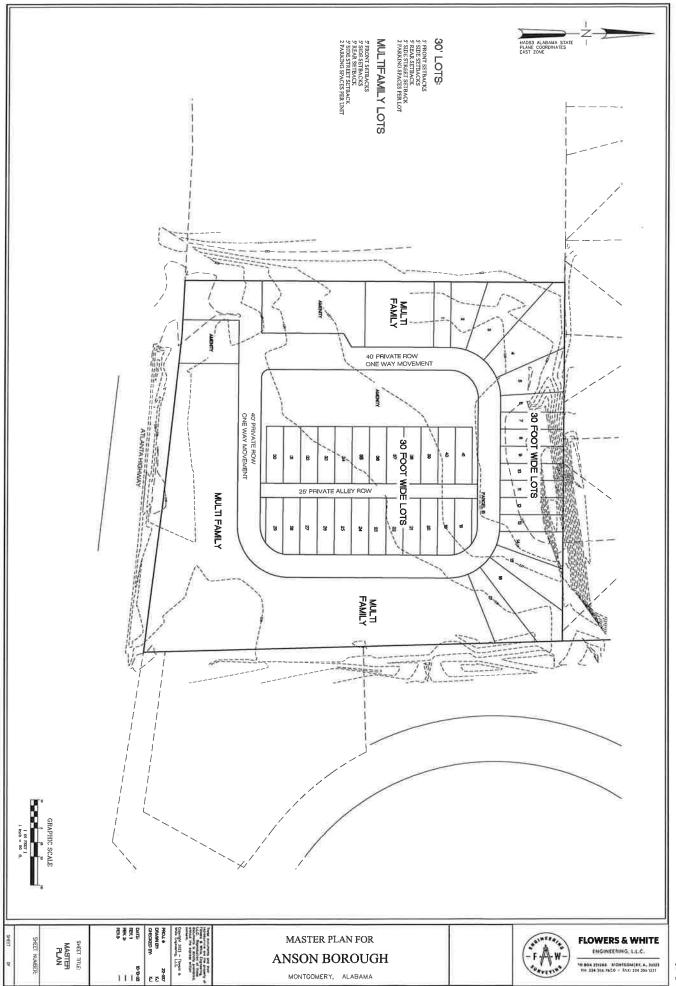
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6. 9251 **PRESENTED BY**: Goodwyn Mills Cawood

REPRESENTING: Lowder New Homes Inc.

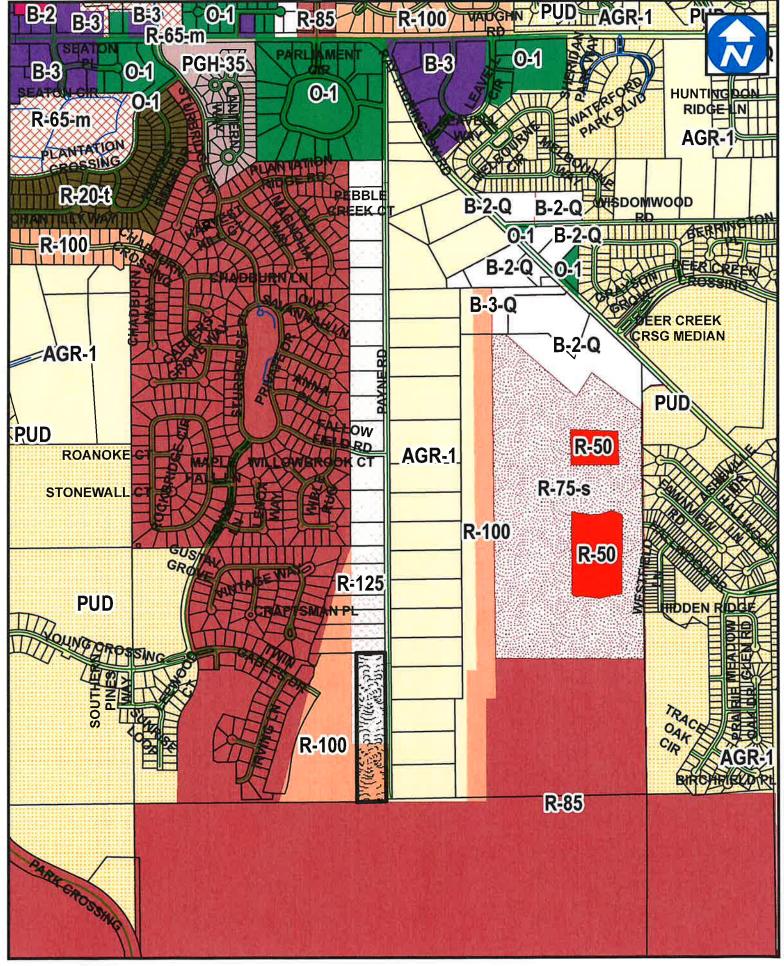
SUBJECT: Request final approval of Sturbridge Plat No. 23 located on the west side of Payne Road, approximately 2,100 ft. south of Fallow Field Road in R-100 (Single-Family Residential) and R-125 (Single-Family Residential) Zoning Districts.

REMARKS: This plat creates five (5) lots. Lot 1 (2.13 acres) has 305.17 ft. of frontage along Payne Road and a depth of 304.11 ft. Lot 2 (2.13 acres) has 304.54 ft. of frontage along Payne Road and a depth of 304.46 ft. Lot 3 (2.07 acres) has 295.79 ft. of frontage along Payne Road and a depth of 304.81 ft. Lot 4 (2.07 acres) has 295.79 ft. of frontage along Payne Road and a depth of 305.15 ft. Lot 5 (2.09 acres) has 295.79 ft. of frontage along Payne Road and a depth of 305.49 ft. This plat is in compliance with the Zoning Ordinance and Subdivision Regulations for this district.

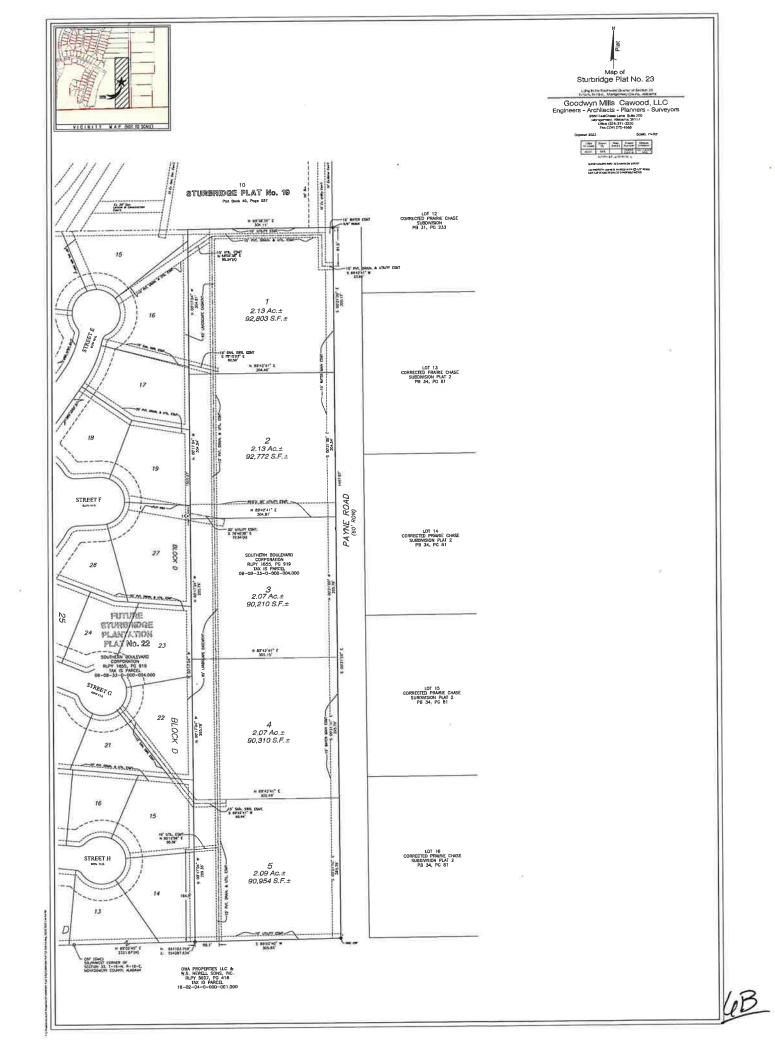
CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT: 8

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7. 9252 PRESENTED BY: Gonzalez Strength & Associates, Inc.

REPRESENTING: RaceTrac, Inc.

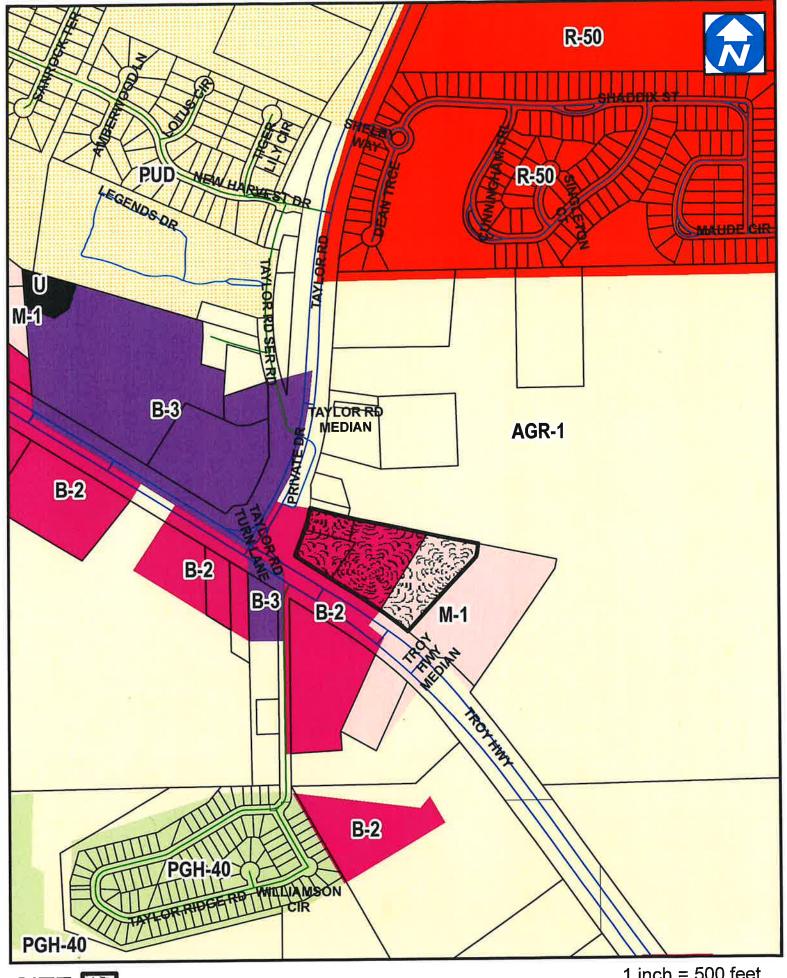
SUBJECT: Request final approval of RaceTrac Inc. Plat No. 2 located on the northeast corner of Troy Highway and Taylor Road in B-2 (Commercial) and M-1 (Light Industrial) Zoning Districts.

REMARKS: This plat replats one (1) lot and previously unplatted property into one (1) lot. Lot 1 (7.21 acres) has 641.80 ft. of frontage along Taylor Road and 699.97 ft. of frontage along Troy Highway. This plat is in compliance with the Zoning Ordinance and Subdivision Regulations for this district.

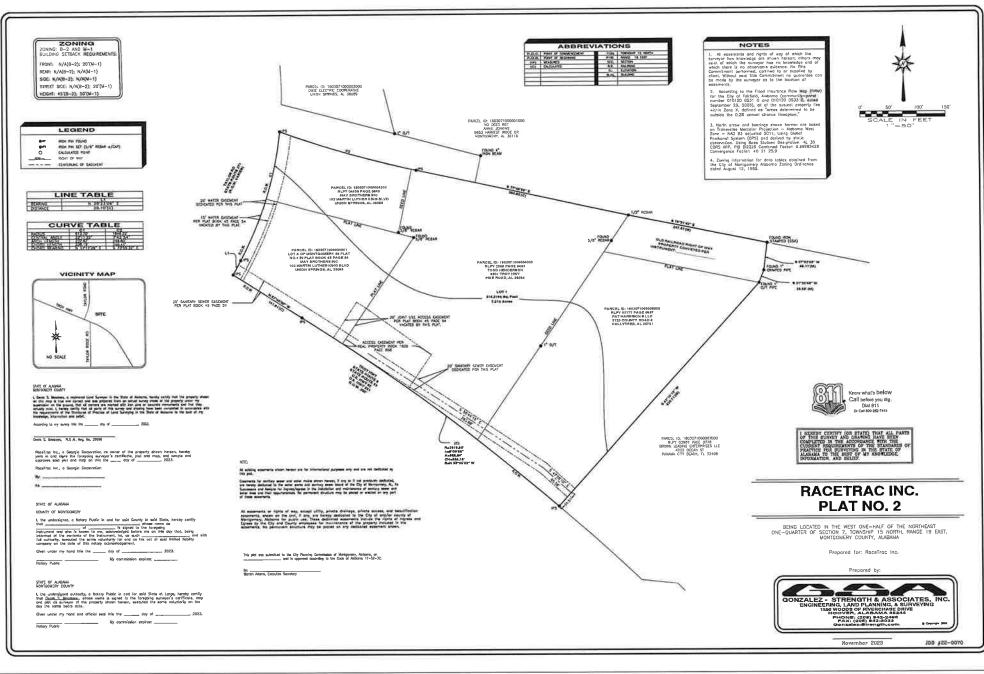
CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT: 8

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8. RZ-2023-027 PRESENTED BY: Norman Bennett

REPRESENTING: Same

SUBJECT: Request to rezone one (1) parcel of land containing 0.24 acres located approximately 150 ft. south of Williams Drive and 750 ft. west of Cobb Lane (aka 283 Williams Drive) from an R-50 (Single-Family Residential) Zoning District to an R-99-s (Mobile Home Subdivision) Zoning District.

REMARKS: The intended use for this property is for <u>one (1) mobile home</u>. This is in the Flatwood Community where there was extensive tornado damage and this is replacing the home that was destroyed. The adjacent property has R-50 (Single-Family Residential) zoning to the north and east; R-99-s (Mobile Home Subdivision) zoning to the south; and AGR-1 (Residential Agriculture) to the west.

The Envision Montgomery 2040 Comprehensive Plan recommends <u>Rural Edge / Conservation</u> Residential.

Department of Planning Comment(s): Under review.

CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT: Planning Jurisdiction

COUNTY COMMISSION DISTRICT: 4

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RURAL EDGE / CONSERVATION (RE)

Land at the edge of the City or in unincorporated areas that is primarily undeveloped or in agricultural use. These areas may include rural edge development that is mostly single-family residential with some small commercial or civic uses. Sites may also contain natural features such as wooded areas or floodplain that are suitable for preservation. Buildings are generally set far back from the roadway on large lots (over five acres) and not served by city utilities like water, storm and sanitary sewer, etc.

INTENT

- ★ Encourage preservation of natural features as open space amenities for the community and visitors to the region.
- Promote trail connection for conservation areas and open spaces to create an established, connected greenway system.
- ★ Support low intensity development in designated areas that integrate into the natural landscape.











PRIMARY USES

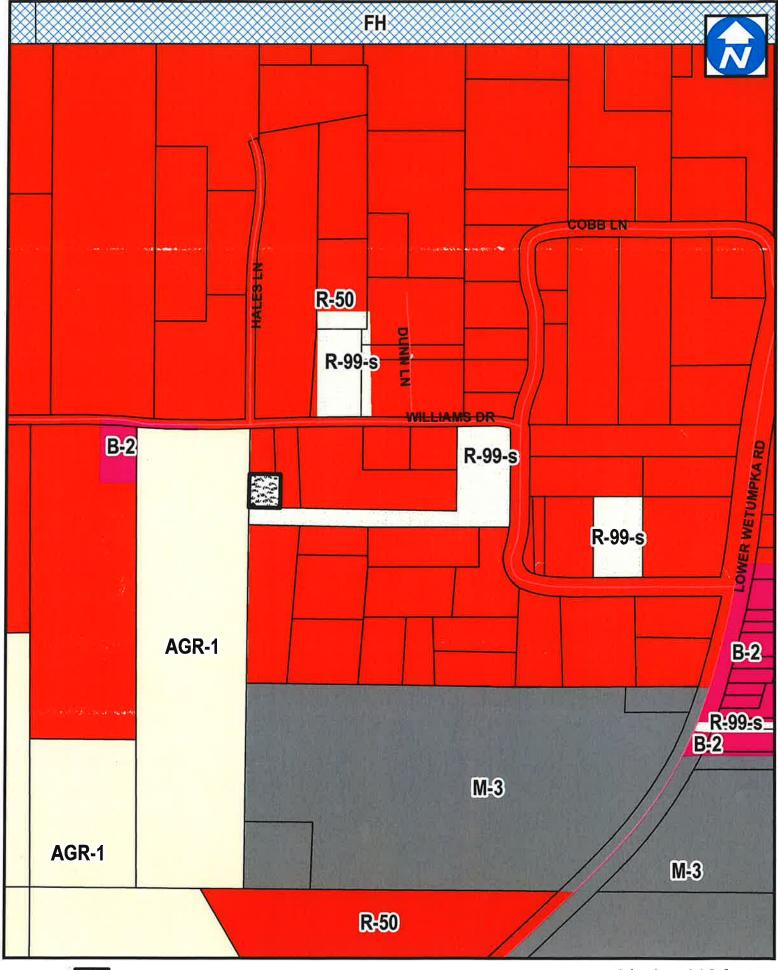
- ★ Single-family Residential (Large-lot)
- * Agriculture

SECONDARY USES

- ★ Parks and Open Space
- ★ Renewable generation (solar)

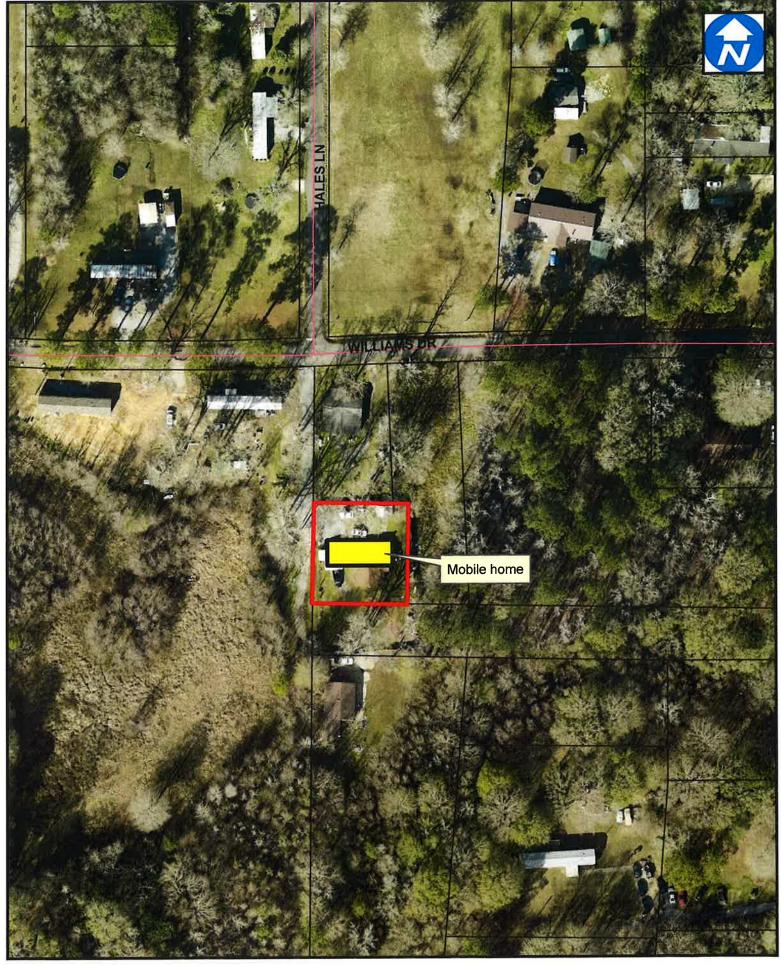
BUILDING BLOCKS

Height Range	1 - 2 stories	Transportation	Automobile, potential for biking
Building Form	Individual residential structures and accessory buildings	Parking	Private off-street (driveways and garages)
Building Setback	Varies	Open Spaces	Regional natural parks and private open spaces
Streets	Rural roadways with minimal connectivity		open opaces



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9. RZ-2023-028 PRESENTED BY: Marcus Boyd

REPRESENTING: Frankie Mae Wright

SUBJECT: Request to rezone one (1) parcel of land containing 0.26 acres located on the south side of Williams Drive, across from Hales Lane (aka 277 Williams Drive), from an R-50 (Single-Family Residential) Zoning District to an R-99-s (Mobile Home Subdivision) Zoning District.

REMARKS: The intended use for this property is for <u>one (1) mobile home</u>. This is in the Flatwood Community where there was extensive tornado damage and this is replacing the home that was destroyed. The adjacent property has R-50 (Single-Family Residential) zoning to the north, east and south; and AGR-1 (Residential Agriculture) to the west.

The Envision Montgomery 2040 Comprehensive Plan recommends <u>Rural Edge / Conservation</u> <u>Residential.</u>

Department of Planning Comment(s): Under review.

CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT: Planning Jurisdiction

COUNTY COMMISSION DISTRICT: 4

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INTENT

- Encourage preservation of natural features as open space amenities for the community and visitors to the region.
- Promote trail connection for conservation areas and open spaces to create an established, connected greenway system.
- * Support low intensity development in designated areas that integrate into the natural landscape.











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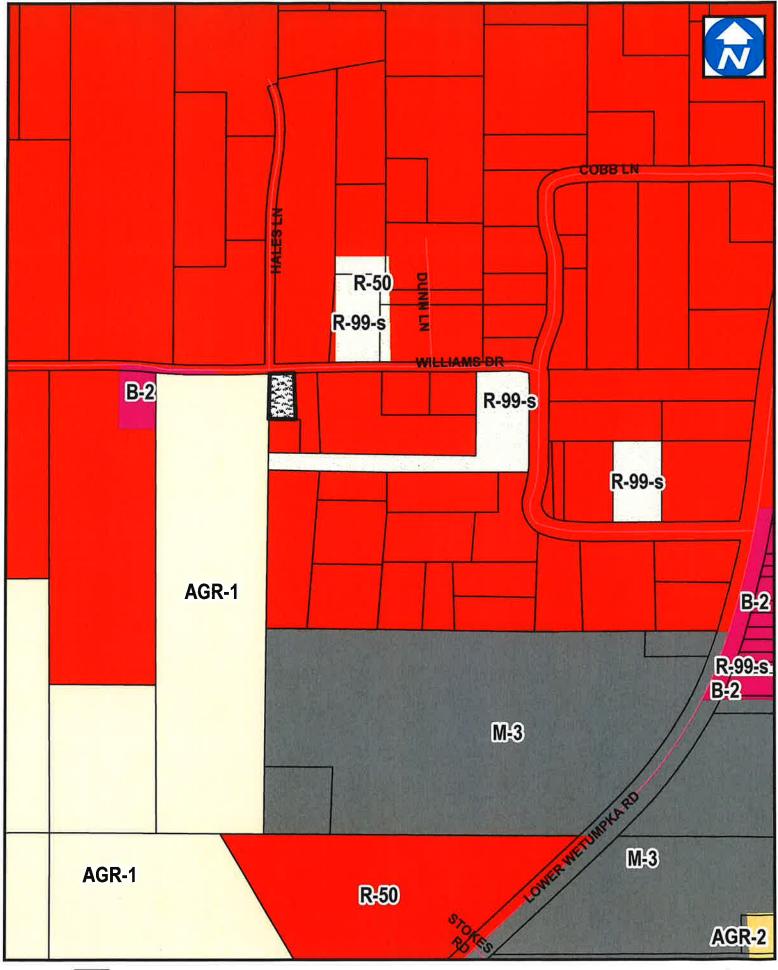
- Single-family Residential (Large-lot)
- ★ Agriculture

SECONDARY USES

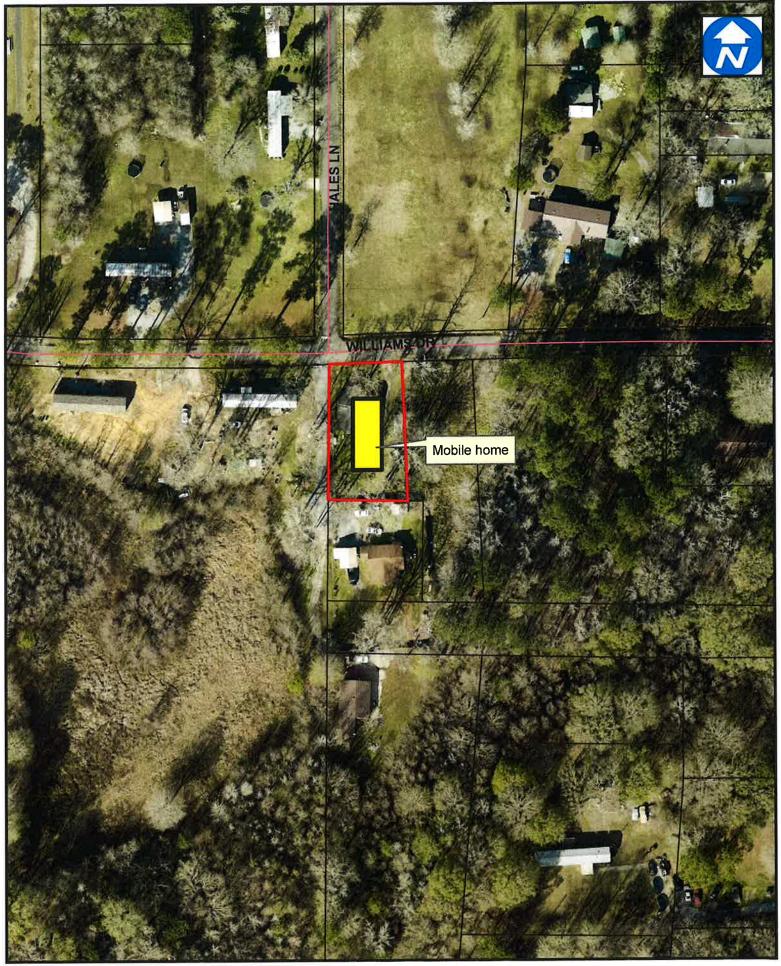
- ★ Parks and Open Space
- * Renewable generation (solar)

BUILDING BLOCKS

Height Range	1 - 2 stories	Transportation	Automobile, potential for biking
Building Form	Individual residential structures and accessory buildings	Parking	Private off-street (driveways and garages)
Building Setback	Varies	Open Spaces	Regional natural parks and private open spaces
Streets	Rural roadways with minimal connectivity	-	орен зрассэ



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