

### City of Fayetteville, Arkansas

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### Legislation Text

File #: 2024-57

RZN-2024-0018: Rezoning (SOUTHWEST OF W. TREADWELL ST. AND S. HILL AVE./SUBTEXT ACQUISITIONS, LLC. AND MODUS STUDIO, 522): Submitted by SUBTEXT ACQUISITIONS, LLC. AND MODUS STUDIO for property located at SOUTHWEST OF W. TREADWELL ST. AND S. HILL AVE in WARD 2. The property is zoned RMF-40, RESIDENTIAL MULTIFAMILY, 40 UNITS PER ACRE and contains approximately 2.9 acres. The request is to rezone the property to MSC, MAIN STREET CENTER subject to a bill of assurance.

AN ORDINANCE TO REZONE THE PROPERTY DESCRIBED IN REZONING PETITION RZN 2024-18 FOR APPROXIMATELY 2.9 ACRES LOCATED SOUTHWEST OF WEST TREADWELL STREET AND SOUTH HILL AVENUE IN WARD 2 FROM RMF-40, RESIDENTIAL MULTIFAMILY, 40 UNITS PER ACRE TO MSC, MAIN STREET CENTER, SUBJECT TO A BILL OF ASSURANCE

# BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FAYETTEVILLE, ARKANSAS:

<u>Section 1</u>: That the City Council of the City of Fayetteville, Arkansas hereby changes the zone classification of the property shown on the map (Exhibit A) and the legal description (Exhibit B) both attached to the Planning Department's Agenda Memo from RMF-40, Residential Multifamily, 40 Units per Acre to MSC, Main Street Center, subject to a bill of assurance.

<u>Section 2</u>: That the City Council of the City of Fayetteville, Arkansas hereby amends the official zoning map of the City of Fayetteville to reflect the zoning change provided in Section 1.



### **CITY COUNCIL MEMO**

2024-57

### **MEETING OF MAY 21, 2024**

**TO:** Mayor Jordan and City Council

**THRU:** Susan Norton, Chief of Staff

Jonathan Curth, Development Services Director Jessica Masters, Development Review Manager

**FROM:** Donna Wonsower, Planner

SUBJECT: RZN-2024-0018: Rezoning (SOUTHWEST OF W. TREADWELL ST. AND S. HILL

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CENTER subject to a bill of assurance.

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

City Planning staff and the Planning Commission recommend approval of a request to rezone the subject property as described and shown in the attached Exhibits 'A' and 'B', and with the associated Bill of Assurance as shown in Exhibit 'C'.

### **BACKGROUND:**

The subject area is in central Fayetteville, approximately 300 feet east of Fayetteville Public Schools' Harmon Field and 900 feet northeast of Fayetteville High School. Multiple parcels are included in the area, totaling approximately 2.9 acres and bound by W. Treadwell St. to the north, S. Hill Ave. to the east, W. Putnam St. to the south, and S. Duncan Ave. to the west. Zoning on the property is currently RMF-40, Residential Multifamily, 40 Units per Acre, with development that ranges from apartments and single-family dwellings, to a largely undeveloped parcel with off-site parking. The existing structures were built between 1931 and 1964. The property does not fall within any overlay districts or Master Plan Areas.

*Request:* The request is to rezone the property from RMF-40, Residential Multifamily, 40 Units per Acre to MSC, Main Street Center.

Public Comment: Staff has received multiple public comments. Two members of the public requested additional information, one of whom expressed general concerns about city-wide parking requirements and ensuring that any future development here is adequately parked. One member of the public sent two separate emails expressing their opposition, citing the potential destruction of affordable rental housing units with existing, long-term residents who will likely be displaced out of the city, the need for protections for existing residents and dwellings, increased housing costs for any new luxury units, out-of-state developers, potential development adjacent to the property by additional developers, the age of the existing apartments on the site, the need for the university to manage its student population and associated housing needs, and lack of mailed public notification documents to current residents of the affected property. The second email also included

Mailing address:

questions related to some of the stated goals of the 2040 Plan.

Land Use Compatibility: On the balance of considerations, staff finds the request to be compatible with the surrounding context. The property is primarily surrounded by large-size apartments with single-family dwellings located to the west adjacent to the Fayetteville High School campus. Additionally, the parcels within the subject area are currently developed with primarily multifamily dwellings. Based on a review of addresses, there are a total of 53 residential dwelling units currently within the subject area. The existing RMF-40 district would permit a maximum of 116 dwelling units on the 2.9-acre subject area with a maximum building height of five stories, while the proposed MSC district has no density limitations and a maximum building height of seven stories when located greater than 15 feet from the right-of-way. Staff finds that the existing buildings are between 60–93 years old and that no building permits aside from two HVAC renovations were found for the subject area that indicate renovations since completion. No buildings within the subject area are listed on either the Federal or Arkansas Register of Historic Places. An analysis of each parcel's current development is included in a staff exhibit.

The subject area is bordered by properties zoned DG, Downtown General to the north and east, which permits a mix of commercial and residential uses and structures up to five stories. The Atmosphere multi-family structure to the north is constructed to five stories. Eco Modern Flats to the east is constructed with three stories, though staff notes that the ground floor is located below street grade. Additional apartments to the south were constructed to a two story height. Staff finds that the greater height permitted by MSC is not likely to negatively affect the surroundings given the abutting multi-story apartments and the MSC district's limit of building height to 5 stories when within 0'-15' of the property line and 7 stories permitted further from the front property line. Further, a large block of MSC is located approximately 500 feet to the east.

While rezoning from RMF-40 to MSC will remove the current density limitation of 40 units per acre, staff finds that the request is not likely to create development that is incompatible with the surroundings given that the other city requirements such as parking lot design standards and ratios, tree preservation, and drainage. A bill of assurance has been provided with the rezone to limit potentially incompatible uses, including Use Unit 17: Transportation Trades and Services, Use Unit 34: Liquor Stores, and Use Unit 45: Small Scale Production. Staff finds that rezoning to a mixed-use district would create the possibility of compatible development and that additional commercial uses could also serve the high density of existing, nearby residents as well as students and faculty of the adjacent high school.

Land Use Plan Analysis: On the balance of considerations, staff finds that the request is consistent with adopted land use policies, the Future Land Use Map designation, and goals of City Plan 2040. Given the walkable location of the request and potential for mixed-use development, staff finds the request to be consistent with the following City Plan 2040 Goals: Goal 1: We will make appropriate infill and revitalization our highest priority; Goal 2: We will discourage suburban sprawl; Goal 3: We will make compact, complete, and connected development the standard; Goal 4: We will grow a livable transportation network; and mixed consistency for Goal 6: We will create opportunities for affordable housing.

The Fayetteville Housing Assessment completed by City staff in October 2023 discusses the preservation of affordable housing and notes that "new supply should be carefully balanced with preserving existing affordable housing – housing that can be in prime areas for redevelopment due to growing land values compared to the declining value of aging structures." While staff acknowledges that any redevelopment of the subject area and associated demolitions would remove naturally occurring affordable housing units within the subject area, staff also acknowledges that the property owners are legally able to redevelop the subject area with new multifamily dwellings by right under the existing RMF-40 zoning district and that any redevelopment including uses permitted by right is not subject to discretionary approval by either the Planning Commission or City Council provided that all applicable city ordinances and development standards are met.

The area is designated as a City Neighborhood Area, which envisions a mixture of residential nonresidential uses of varying size, variety, and intensity. As noted, the subject area is approximately 900 feet northeast of the Fayetteville High School campus and approximately ½ mile southeast of the University of Arkansas campus, which is designated as a special district by the 2040 growth map and described as "portions of the city that are historically or currently intended for more intensive commerce." The closest Tier Centers are located just over half a mile east at the historic downtown square (Tier 1) and approximately half a mile southeast at the intersection of W. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd. and S. Nelson Hackett Blvd (Tier 3).

The infill score for this parcel is high, indicating the property could likely support a wide range of uses and additional density, particularly given the proximity of both the Fayetteville High School and the University of Arkansas campus. Staff also finds that allowing additional residential in proximity to major activity centers and close to both ORT and Razorback transit stops allows potential residents to use alternative transportation, helping to mitigate or reduce potential traffic impacts. Given that denying the rezoning request would not necessarily prevent redevelopment of the property by the new owners, staff finds that approval of the rezoning to MSC may lead to results that are more compatible with city goals than could be met under the existing zoning by allowing a greater number of additional residential units to be constructed while providing potential for a mix of commercial and residential uses.

CITY PLAN 2040 INFILL MATRIX: City Plan 2040's Infill Matrix indicates a ranging score of <u>12</u> for this site. The following elements of the matrix contribute to the score:

- 4 Minute Fire Response (Station #1, 303 W. Center St.)
- Near Sewer Main (8" Sewer Mains: W. Treadwell St., W. Putman St., and S. Duncan Ave.)
- Near Water Main (8" Water Main, W. Treadwell St. | 6" Water Main, W. Putman St and S. Duncan Ave. | 4" Water Main, S. Hill Ave.)
- Near Grocery Store (Walmart Neighborhood Market)
- Near Public School (Fayetteville High School)
- Near U of A Campus
- Near City Park (Lower Ramble)
- Near Paved Trail (Oakridge Trail, Razorback Greenway)
- Near ORT Bus Stop (Hillcrest Towers)
- Near Razorback Transit Bus Stop (S. Hill Ave on subject property)
- Appropriate Future Land Use
- Sufficient Intersection Density

### **DISCUSSION:**

At the April 22, 2024, Planning Commission meeting, a vote of 8-1-0 forwarded the revised request of MSC, Main Street Center to City Council with a recommendation of approval. Commissioner Payne made the motion and Commissioner Cabe seconded. Commissioner Werner voted against the proposed rezoning, citing the removal of affordable housing units and potential displacement of residents. Commissioners voting in favor of the request cited the ability of the current property owners to redevelop the parcels by right under the existing RMF-40 zoning, proximity to campus, existing transit routes located on the property, and the provided Bill of Assurance. Several commissioners questioned what actions the city is legally able to take regarding protection for existing affordable housing units. Senior Assistant City Attorney Blake Pennington affirmed that cities in Arkansas are preempted by the state from passing ordinances regarding rent control or other tenant protections that exceed state standards. There was also discussion relating to potential improvements associated with the project, which staff confirmed would be determined with future development plans.

Five members of the public spoke at the meeting. One individual spoke in favor of the request, citing

compatibility with the adjacent neighborhoods. One individual questioned potential traffic impacts and improvements, whether the development would be fully student housing and if the existing residents could be provided housing within the new units. Staff affirmed that potential traffic impacts would be reviewed during development plans and that the city cannot require affordable housing units or provision of residential units for the existing residents. Another individual asked if a lower intensity district would still get the developer what they need. The applicant team noted the presence of a large transmission line on the south side of the block and the need to fully park the development on site. Two additional members of the public expressed opposition to the request, citing demolition of existing affordable units and dislocation of existing residents.

### **BUDGET/STAFF IMPACT:**

NA

**ATTACHMENTS:** SRF (#3), Exhibit A (#4), Exhibit B (#5), Exhibit C (#6), Planning Commission Staff Report (#7)



### PLANNING COMMISSION MEMO

**TO:** Fayetteville Planning Commission

**THRU:** Jessie Masters, Development Review Manager

**FROM:** Donna Wonsower, Planner

**MEETING DATE:** April 22, 2024 (UPDATED WITH MEETING RESULTS)

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MAIN STREET CENTER.

### **RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends **RZN-2024-0018** be forwarded to the City Council with a recommendation for approval.

### **RECOMMENDED MOTION:**

"I move to forward RZN-2024-0018 to the City Council with a recommendation of approval."

#### **BACKGROUND:**

The subject area is in central Fayetteville approximately 300 feet east of Harmon Field and 900 feet northeast of the Fayetteville High Schol. The subject area contains multiple parcels and is bound by W. Treadwell St. to the north, S. Hill Ave. to the west, W. Putnam St. to the south, and S. Duncan Ave. to the west. The subject area contains roughly 2.9 acres and is currently zoned RMF-40, Residential Multifamily, 40 Units per Acre. The property is currently developed with a range of uses, including apartments, single-family dwellings, and a largely undeveloped parcel with off-site parking. The existing structures were built between 1931 -1964. The property does not fall within any overlay districts or Master Plan areas. Surrounding land uses and zoning is depicted in *Table 1*.

Table 1
Surrounding Land Use and Zoning

Direction	Land Use	Zoning
North	Residential Multifamily (Apartments)	RMF-40, Residential Multifamily, 40 Units per Acre DG, Downtown General
South	Residential Multifamily (Apartments) Single-Family Residential	RMF-40, Residential Multifamily, 40 Units per Acre
East	Residential Multifamily (Apartments)	DG, Downtown General
West	Single-Family Residential	RMF-40, Residential Multifamily, 40 Units per Acre

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### INFRASTRUCTURE AND ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

Streets:

The subject area has frontage along four streets. W. Treadwell St. is a partially improved Residential Link with asphalt paving, curb & gutter, sidewalk along the north side, and no curb and gutter on the south side. S. Hill Ave. is a partially improved Residential Link with asphalt paving, curb & gutter, and sidewalks. W. Putman St. is a partially improved Residential Link with asphalt paving and open ditches. S. Duncan Ave. is a partially improved Residential Link with asphalt paving, partial curb and gutter, and sidewalk along the east side. Any street or drainage improvements required in these areas would be determined at the time of development proposal.

Water:

Public water is available to the subject area. An existing 8" water main is present on the north side of W. Treadwell St. Existing 6" water mains are available on the north side of W. Putman St. and the West side of South Duncan Avenue. An existing 4" water main is present on the east side of S. Hill Ave.

Sewer:

Sanitary sewer is available to the subject area. Existing 8" sewer mains are present on the south side of W. Treadwell St., the south side of W. Putman St., and the west side of S. Duncan Ave.

Fire:

Fire apparatus access and fire protection water supplies will be reviewed for compliance with the Arkansas Fire Prevention Code at the time of development. Station 1, located at 303 W. Center St., protects this site. The property is located approximately 0.5 miles from the fire station with an anticipated drive time of approximately 2 minutes using existing streets. The anticipated response time would be approximately 4.2 minutes. Fire Department response time is calculated based on the drive time plus 1 minute for dispatch and 1.2 minutes for turn-out time. Within the City Limits, the Fayetteville Fire Department has a response time goal of 6 minutes for an engine and 8 minutes for a ladder truck.

**Police:** The Police Department expressed no concerns with this request.

**Drainage:** No portion of the property is within a FEMA floodplain, the Hillside-Hilltop Overlay

District or includes a protected stream. Additionally, no hydric soils are present.

### **Tree Preservation:**

The proposed zoning district of MSC, Main Street Center requires **10% minimum** canopy preservation. The current zoning district of RMF-40, Residential

Multifamily, 40 Units per Acre requires 20% minimum canopy preservation.

CITY PLAN 2040 FUTURE LAND USE PLAN: City Plan 2040 Future Land Use Plan designates the property within the proposed rezone as **City Neighborhood**.

**City Neighborhoods** are more densely developed than residential neighborhood areas and provide a mix of non-residential and residential uses. This designation supports the widest spectrum of uses and encourages density in all housing types, from single family to multi-family. Non-residential and commercial uses are primarily located at street intersections and along major corridors. Ideally, commercial uses would have a residential component and vary in size, variety and intensity. The street network should have a high number of intersections creating a system of small blocks with a high level of connectivity between neighborhoods. Building setbacks and landscaping are urban in form with street trees typically being located within the sidewalk zone.

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### FINDINGS OF THE STAFF

1. A determination of the degree to which the proposed zoning is consistent with land use planning objectives, principles, and policies and with land use and zoning plans.

Finding: Land Use Compatibility: On the balance of considerations, staff finds the request to be compatible with the surrounding context. The property is primarily surrounded by large-size apartments with single-family dwellings located to the west adjacent to the Fayetteville High School campus. Additionally, the parcels within the subject area are currently developed with primarily multifamily dwellings. Based on a review of addresses, there are a total of 53 residential dwelling units currently within the subject area. The existing RMF-40 district would permit a maximum of 116 dwelling units on the 2.9-acre subject area with a maximum building height of 5 stories, while the proposed DG district has no density limitations with a maximum building height of 7 stories when located greater than 15 feet from the right-of-way. Staff finds that the existing buildings are between 60-93 years old and that no building permits aside from two HVAC renovations were found for the subject area that indicate renovations since

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includes only uses permitted by right is not subject to discretionary approval by either the Planning Commission or City Council provided that all applicable city ordinances and development standards are met.

The area is designated as a City Neighborhood Area, which recommends that commercial uses would have a residential component and vary in size, variety and intensity. The subject area is approximately 500 feet east of the Fayetteville High School campus and approximately ¼ mile east of the University of Arkansas campus, which is designated as a special district by the 2040 growth map and described as "portions of the city that are historically or currently intended for more intensive commerce." The closest Tier Centers are located just over half a mile east at the historic downtown square (Tier 1) and approximately half a mile southeast at the intersection of W. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd. and S. Nelson Hackett Blvd (Tier 3).

The infill score for this parcel is high, with a weighted score of 15.5, indicating the property could likely support a wide range of uses and additional density, particularly given the close proximity of both the Fayetteville High School and University of Arkansas campus. Staff also finds that allowing additional residential in close proximity to major traffic drivers and within close proximity to both ORT and Razorback transit stops could allow for residents to use alternative transportation options such as walking, biking, or utilizing transit to these institutions, helping to mitigate or reduce potential traffic impacts. Given that denying the rezoning request would not necessarily prevent redevelopment of the property by the new owners, staff finds that approval of the rezoning to MSC may lead to results that are more compatible with city goals than could be met under the existing zoning by allowing a greater number of additional residential units to be constructed while providing potential for a mix of commercial and residential uses.

2. A determination of whether the proposed zoning is justified and/or needed at the time the rezoning is proposed.

Finding:

On the balance, staff finds the proposed zoning is justified and necessary at this time. While any redevelopment of these parcels could negatively impact existing affordable housing stock, staff notes that the property owners could legally redevelop the parcels with new multifamily dwellings by right under the existing zoning district. The proposed zoning of MSC could permit a mixed-use development with higher density allowances in an area with a weighted infill score of 15.5 where only residential uses are currently permitted by right under RMF-40.

3. A determination as to whether the proposed zoning would create or appreciably increase traffic danger and congestion.

Finding:

A rezoning from RMF-40 to MSC has the potential to increase traffic at this location when considering that MSC would allow for more dense development than the existing zoning which has a stated density limitation. The lots under consideration have direct access to public streets and staff finds that given the property's location on a transit route close to the university and the Fayetteville High School campus, many trips have the

capacity to be completed through alternative transportation such as walking, biking, or transit. Any necessary street improvements and potential traffic impacts would be determined at the time of development.

4. A determination as to whether the proposed zoning would alter the population density and thereby undesirably increase the load on public services including schools, water, and sewer facilities.

Finding:

The proposed rezoning has the potential to alter the population density since it would allow for increased residential development. However, the property is in close proximity to public streets and existing water and sewer mains. Any necessary upgrades or improvements to existing infrastructure would be determined at the time of development. Fayetteville Public Schools did not comment on this request.

- 5. If there are reasons why the proposed zoning should not be approved in view of considerations under b (1) through (4) above, a determination as to whether the proposed zoning is justified and/or necessitated by peculiar circumstances such as:
  - a. It would be impractical to use the land for any of the uses permitted under its existing zoning classifications;
  - b. There are extenuating circumstances which justify the rezoning even though there are reasons under b (1) through (4) above why the proposed zoning is not desirable.

Finding: N/A

RECOMMENDATION: Planning staff recommends forwarding RZN-2024-0018 to City Council with a recommendation of approval.

PLANNING COMMISSION	N ACTION:	Required	YES		
Date: <u>April 22, 2024</u>	☐ Tabled	☑ Forward		□ Denied	
Motion: PAYNE		/ARD TO CITY ( MMENDATION			
Second: CABE					
Vote: 8-1-0 (BRINK OPPOS	SED)				

### **BUDGET/STAFF IMPACT:**

None

### **Attachments:**

- Unified Development Code:
  - §161.17 District RMF-40, Residential Multi-Family Forty (40) Units Per Acre
  - §161.27 Main Street/Center
- Applicant Request Letter
- Proposed Bill of Assurance
- Staff Exhibit
  - Current Development
  - Fayetteville Housing Assessment Excerpts
  - Active Transportation Plan Excerpts and Map
  - Proximity to Tier Center Exhibit
  - City Plan 2040 Excerpts
  - Climate Action Plan Presentation Excerpts
  - Traffic Accidents Exhibits
- Public Comment
- One Mile Map
- Close-up Map
- Current Land Use Map
- Future Land Use Map

### 161.17 District RMF-40, Residential Multi-Family - Forty (40) Units Per Acre

- (A) *Purpose.* The RMF-40 Multi-family Residential District is designated to protect existing high density multi-family development and to encourage additional development of this type where it is desirable.
- (B) Uses.
  - (1) Permitted Uses.

Unit 1	City-wide uses by right
Unit 8	Single-family dwellings
Unit 9	Two (2) family dwellings
Unit 10	Three (3) and four (4) family dwellings
Unit 26	Multi-family dwellings
Unit 41	Accessory dwellings
Unit 44	Cluster Housing Development
Unit 46	Short-term rentals

### (2) Conditional Uses.

Unit 2	City-wide uses by CUP
Unit 3	Public protection and utility facilities
Unit 4	Cultural and recreational facilities
Unit 5	Government facilities
Unit 11	Manufactured home park
Unit	Limited business
12a	
Unit 24	Home occupation
Unit 25	Professional offices
Unit 36	Wireless communications facilities

### (C) Density.

### (D) Bulk and Area Regulations.

### (1) Lot Width Minimum.

Manufactured home park	100 feet
Lot within a Manufactured	50 feet
home park	
Single-family	30 feet
Two (2) family	30 feet
Three (3) family or more	70 feet
Professional offices	100 feet

### (2) Lot Area Minimum.

Manufactured home park	3 acres
Lot within a mobile home	4,200 square feet
park	
Townhouses: Individual lot	2,000 square feet
Single-family	2,500 square feet
Two (2) family	3,000 square feet
Three (3) family or more	7,000 square feet
Fraternity or Sorority	1 acre

### (3) Land Area Per Dwelling Unit.

Manufactured Home	3,000 square feet
Fraternity of Sorority	500 square feet per
	resident

### (E) Setback Requirements.

Front	Side Other Uses	Side Single & Two (2) Family	Rear Other Uses	Rear Single Family
A build-to zone that is located between the front property line and a line 25 feet from the front property line.	8 feet	5 feet	20 feet	5 feet

### (F) Building Height Regulations.

Building Height Maximum	2 stories/3 stories/5
	stories*

<sup>\*</sup> A building or a portion of a building that is located between 0 and 10 feet from the front property line or any master street plan right-of-way line shall have a maximum height of two (2) stories, between 10—20 feet from the master street plan right-of-way a maximum height of three (3) stories and buildings or portions of the building set back greater than 20 feet from the master street plan right-of-way shall have a maximum height of 5 stories.

If a building exceeds the height of two (2) stories, the portion of the building that exceeds two (2) stories shall have an additional setback from any side boundary line of an adjacent single family district. The amount of additional setback for the portion of the building over two (2) stories shall be equal to the difference between the total height of that portion of the building, and two (2) stories.

(G) Building Area. The area occupied by all buildings shall not exceed 50% of the total lot area. Accessory ground mounted solar energy systems shall not be considered buildings.

(H) Minimum Buildable Street Frontage. 50% of the lot width.

(Code 1965, App. A., Art. 5(IV); Ord. No. 2320, 4-5-77; Ord. No. 2700, 2-2-81; Ord. No. 1747, 6-29-70; Code 1991, §160.034; Ord. No. 4100, §2 (Ex. A), 6-16-98; Ord. No. 4178, 8-31-99; Ord. No. 5028, 6-19-07; Ord. No. 5224, 3-3-09; Ord. No. 5262, 8-4-09; Ord. No. 5312, 4-20-10; Ord. No. 5462, 12-6-11; Ord. No. 5592, 6-18-13; Ord. No. 5664, 2-18-14; Ord. No. 5800, §1(Exh. A), 10-6-15; Ord. No. 5921, §1, 11-1-16; Ord. No. 5945, §\$5, 8, 9, 1-17-17; Ord. No. 6015, §1(Exh. A), 11-21-17; Ord. No. 6245, §2, 10-15-19; Ord. No. 6427, §§1(Exh. C), 2, 4-20-21; Ord. No. 6658, §7(Exh. F), 5-2-23)

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### 161.27 Main Street/Center

(A) Purpose. A greater range of uses is expected and encouraged in the Main Street/Center. The Center is more spatially compact and is more likely to have some attached buildings than Downtown General or Neighborhood Conservation. Multi-story buildings in the Center are well-suited to accommodate a mix of uses, such as apartments or offices above shops. Lofts, live/work units, and buildings designed for changing uses over time are appropriate for the Main Street/Center. The Center is within walking distance of the surrounding, primarily residential areas. For the purposes of Chapter 96: Noise Control, the Main Street/Center district is a commercial zone.

### (B) Uses.

### (1) Permitted uses.

Unit 1	City-wide uses by right
Unit 4	Cultural and recreational facilities
Unit 5	Government facilities
Unit 8	Single-family dwellings
Unit 9	Two-family dwellings
Unit 10	Three (3) and four (4) family dwellings
Unit 13	Eating places
Unit 14	Hotel, motel, and amusement facilities
Unit 16	Shopping goods
Unit 17	Transportation trades and services
Unit 19	Commercial recreation, small sites
Unit 24	Home occupations
Unit 25	Offices, studios, and related services
Unit 26	Multi-family dwellings
Unit 34	Liquor stores
Unit 40	Sidewalk Cafes
Unit 41	Accessory dwellings
Unit 44	Cluster Housing Development
Unit 45	Small scale production
Unit 46	Short-term rentals

Note: Any combination of above uses is permitted upon any lot within this zone. Conditional uses shall need approval when combined with pre-approved uses.

### (2) Conditional Uses.

Unit 2	City-wide uses by conditional use permit
Unit 3	Public protection and utility facilities
Unit 18	Gasoline service stations and drive-in/drive-
	through restaurants
Unit 28	Center for collecting recyclable materials
Unit 29	Dance halls
Unit 35	Outdoor music establishments
Unit 36	Wireless communication facilities
Unit 42	Clean technologies

- (C) Density. None.
- (D) Bulk and Area Regulations.
  - (1) Lot Width Minimum.

Dwolling (all unit types)	18 feet
Dwelling (all unit types)	10 1661

- (2) Lot Area Minimum. None.
- (E) Setback Regulations.

Front	A build-to zone that is located between the front property line and a line 25 feet from the front property line.
Side	None
Rear	5 feet
Rear, from center line of an alley	12 feet

- (F) Minimum Buildable Street Frontage. 75% of lot width.
- (G) Building Height Regulations.

Building Height Maximum	5 stories/7 stories*

<sup>\*</sup> A building or a portion of a building that is located between 0 and 15 feet from the front property line or any master street plan right-of-way line shall have a maximum height of five (5) stories. A building or a portion of a building that is located greater than 15 feet from the master street plan right-of-way line shall have a maximum height of seven (7) stories.

(Ord. No. 5028, 6-19-07; Ord. No. 5029, 6-19-07; Ord. No. 5042, 8-07-07; Ord. No. 5195, 11-6-08; Ord. No. 5312, 4-20-10; Ord. No. 5339, 8-3-10; Ord. No. 5462, 12-6-11; Ord. No. 5592, 6-18-13; Ord. No. 5664, 2-18-14; Ord. No. 5735, 1-20-15; Ord. No. 5800, §1(Exh. A), 10-6-15; Ord. No. 5921, §1, 11-1-16; Ord. No. 5945, §§5, 7—9, 1-17-17; Ord. No. 6015, §1(Exh. A), 11-21-17; Ord. No. 6223, §1, 9-3-19; Ord. No. 6427, §§1(Exh. C), 2, 4-20-21)

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Submission #1: March 13, 2024 Submission #2: April 3, 2024

City of Fayetteville Development Services 125 West Mountain Street Fayetteville, AR 72701

RE: VERVE Fayetteville – Rezoning Application

To whom it may concern,

We are pleased to submit our rezoning application associated with VERVE Fayetteville. The approximately 2.9-acre project site (the "Property) is generally located at W. Treadwell Street and S. Hill Avenue and includes 707 W. Treadwell Street, 191 S. Hill Avenue, and 92 and 98 S. Duncan Avenue (Figure 1 and Figure 2).



Figure 1, Location Map



Figure 2, Property

The Property is currently zoned RMF-40 (Residential Multi-family – Forty 40 Units per Acre) and is designated by the City Plan 2040 as City Neighborhood Area. The Property is subject to approximately 15-feet of grade change and a significant power transmission line easement that reduces the useable area by approximately 0.28-acres. We are proposing to rezone the Property to MSC (Main Street Center), with a Bill of Assurances, to allow for building forms and densities consistent with the Future Land Use and to further the goals of the City Plan 2040. The additional building height permitted by MSC will allow for some taller portions of the structure, located away from the edge of the right-of-way, to accommodate the needs of the project and which could not be achieved through other districts such as Downtown General.

### Compatibility with Neighboring Property.

The neighboring properties are zoned Residential Multi-Family and Downtown General, with Main Street Center and Residential Office zonings located nearby along S. University Avenue. The neighboring properties to the North and East are currently high-density multi-family communities, and the neighboring properties to the South and West are currently multi-family and single-family.

The allowed uses under MSC, as modified by the Bill of Assurances, and building forms generally align with those allowed under the adjacent DG districts (Figure 3). DG would provide all uses being sought for this project except for the allowance of the additional height, therefore this submission is purposefully providing the Bill of Assurances to tailor the compatible development with the stories allowed under MSC. The additional uses that would be permitted on the Property, such as shopping, offices, and cafes, can promote a mixed-use, live-work environment for the neighboring residential uses.

### Compatibility with City Plan 2040.

The proposed rezoning will allow for infill development promoting multi-modal transportation, utilization of existing infrastructure, and increased density near Fayetteville's employment and civic hubs. We believe that the proposed rezoning furthers the following City Plan 2040 Goals and Objectives:

**Goal 1** – We will make appropriate infill and revitalization our highest priority.

**Goal 1 Objective:** Recognize the benefits and cost savings of utility and road infrastructure that already exists in the core of the city.

The proposed rezoning will support development that utilizes, and may improve, existing utility and road infrastructure in a core location.

Goal 1 Objective: Promote the densest development around logical future transit stops.

There is currently a Razorback Transit Stop at the Property, and it is within 0.5-miles of a Fayetteville ORT stop (Hillcrest Towers). The proposed rezoning will support density located nearby and promoting alternative transit.

**Goal 1 Objective:** Encourage new development that supports and compliments the unique characteristics and economic values of employment clusters in and around downtown and the U of A.

The proposed rezoning will support additional housing in a central location, promoting walkability, alternative transit, and convenient access to the businesses and services within Fayetteville's urban core.

**Goal 2** – We will discourage suburban sprawl.

The proposed rezoning will support development that is compact and efficient, utilizes and improves existing infrastructure, and promotes walkability and the use of alternative transit methods.

Goal 3 – We will make compact, complete, and connected development the standard.

**Goal 3 Objective:** Require new growth that results in neighborhoods, districts and corridors that are compact, complete, and connected.

The proposed rezoning will support development which improves pedestrian and bicycle infrastructure and creates an active and engaging streetscape environment.

**Goal 3 Objective:** Prepare a transit-worthy community: increase density in highly walkable areas along logical future transit routes and anticipate rail, street cars and other alternative transit modes.

The proposed rezoning will support development in a location that is adjacent to alternative transit and is pedestrian to education centers, grocery stores, restaurants, shopping, parks, trails, and more.

#### Infill Assessment.

The Property has an Infill Prioritization Score of 12 (Figure 3). There are existing water and sewer mains on multiple sides of the Property. It is within 0.5-miles of a grocery store (Walmart Neighborhood Market located on MLK Jr Boulevard). It is directly adjacent to a public school (Fayetteville High School) and one block away from the University of Arkansas campus. It is within 0.5-miles of several parks and trails (Fay Jones Woods, Frisco Trail, Oak Ridge Trail, and more). There is a Razorback Transit Stop at the Property, and it is within 0.5-miles of a Fayetteville ORT stop (Hillcrest Towers).



Figure 3, Infill Assessment

### Master Street Plan.

To Property is one block away from streets designated as Neighborhood Link (Center Street) and Downtown/Urban (S. University Avenue). These typologies are intended to promote high-quality and comfortable realms for pedestrians and cyclists through low-speed zones, wider sidewalks, landscape buffer zones, and dedicated bicycle facilities.



Figure 4, Master Street Plan

### **Active Transportation Plan.**

The Active Transportation Plan proposes a future on-street bicycle facility at the Property. Future development of the Property would allow for an on-street bicycle facility to be constructed for future connection by neighboring properties or the City of Fayetteville.



Figure 5, Active Transportation Plan

Thank you in advance for your consideration and support of this compatible rezoning. We look forward to working with the City of Fayetteville to plan a quality project of which we can all be proud and further the smart growth of Fayetteville by densifying in an appropriate location adjacent to the University of Arkansas, to provide quality housing.

Sincerely,

Dylan Lambur Dylan Lambur

Development Manager

Subtext

# BILL OF ASSURANCE FOR THE CITY OF FAYETTEVILLE, ARKANSAS

In order to attempt to obtain approval of a request for a zoning reclassification, the owner, developer, or buyer of this property, (hereinafter "Petitioner") Subtext Acquisitions, LLC, hereby voluntarily offers this Bill of Assurance and enters into this binding agreement and contract with the City of Fayetteville, Arkansas.

The Petitioner expressly grants to the City of Fayetteville the right to enforce any and all of the terms of this Bill of Assurance in the Circuit Court of Washington County and agrees that if Petitioner or Petitioner's heirs, assigns, or successors violate any term of this Bill of Assurance, substantial irreparable damage justifying injunctive relief has been done to the citizens and City of Fayetteville, Arkansas. The Petitioner acknowledges that the Fayetteville Planning Commission and the Fayetteville City Council will reasonable rely upon all of the terms and conditions within this Bill of Assurance in considering whether to approve Petitioner's rezoning request.

**Petitioner hereby voluntarily offers assurances** that Petitioner and Petitioner's property shall be restricted as follows **IF** Petitioner's rezoning is approved by the Fayetteville City Council.

1.	The following	uses shall	not be	permitted:
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Unit 17, Transportation trades and services;

Unit 34, Liquor stores; and

Unit 45, Small scale production

2. Petitioner specifically agrees that all such restrictions and terms shall **run** with the land and bind all future owners unless and until specifically released by Resolution of the Fayetteville City Council. This Bill of Assurance shall be filed for record in the Washington County Circuit Clerk's Office after Petitioner's rezoning is effective and shall be noted on any Final Plat or Large Scale Development which includes some or all of Petitioner's property.

IN WITNESS WHER	EOF and in agreement with all the terms and conditions
stated above, I,	, as the owner, developer
	ily offer all such assurances and sign my name below.
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, a Notary	y of, 20, appeared before me, Public, and after being placed upon his/her oath with the terms of the above Bill of Assurance and
My Commission Expires:	NOTARY PUBLIC

# STAFF EXHIBIT CURRENT DEVELOPMENT

**PID: 765-04804-000:** Summit Terrace Apartments. Forty (40) residential units within two buildings constructed in 1964. One permit for HVAC renovation in 2023. No additional building permits found for structures.

**PID 765-04089-000:** One single-family residence constructed in 1936. Multiple code violations for health and sanitation (Two in 2016, One in 2020).

**PID 765-04808-000:** Five residential dwellings constructed in 1940. Multiple code violations for health and sanitation (Two in 2009, one in 2010, one in 2020).

**PID 765-04807-000:** No primary structures.

**PID 765-04806-000:** Two-family dwelling constructed in 1931. Four-family dwelling constructed in 1951. One permit for HVAC renovation in 2022. No additional building permits found for structures.

**PID 765-04805-000:** Single-family dwelling constructed prior to 1980 (first year building is visible on aerial). No building listed in Washington County Assessor.



# STAFF EXHIBIT HOUSING REPORT EXCERPTS

# **Policy Options for the Future**

This assessment does not propose that the solution to housing affordability is to rezone the entirety of Fayetteville to RMF–24 zoning. Similarly, zoning is not the only solution to high and growing housing costs. Policy choices can, however, focus on adding housing density in strategic places to take advantage of existing infrastructure in high intensity areas that don't currently allow for housing. When combined with existing services, infrastructure, and amenities, these housing units can provide a number of benefits, including reducing vehicle trips. Fayetteville's City Plan 2040, the comprehensive plan adopted in 2020, includes several options for additional housing density in core areas that are already high intensity and offer close access to services.

Staff in the City of Fayetteville's Long Range Planning and Sustainability divisions worked with University of Arkansas graduate students in the Master of Public Administration program in the spring semester of 2023 to analyze three scenarios for single–family housing. The students produced a report at the end of the semester that aimed to identify the most effective zoning policy to increase single family residential density in Fayetteville. The three scenarios explored were a baseline analysis of maintaining the zoning status quo; rezoning all residential single–family zones to the RSF–8 zoning district; and allowing duplex, triplex, and fourplex construction by right in all current single–family zoning districts. Based on their analysis, the students recommended the third option, writing, "Increased housing diversity has the greatest net social benefit for Fayetteville. In addition to having the greatest potential for increased housing supply, this policy is the most efficient and equitable. Overall, creating the option for multifamily unit construction by right provides the strongest policy for Fayetteville's future growth." Although the report focused on single–family zoning, the lessons learned and the main point — that creating the option for multi–unit housing by right is the strongest policy for Fayetteville's future growth — align with the planning work and master plan documents/corridor planning that Fayetteville has been engaged in for the last several years.

Prior to the onset of the COVID—19 pandemic the City of Fayetteville was engaged in writing and implementing two key plans that set a priority for both housing and a high—quality urban environment. City Plan 2040 was adopted only months prior to the pandemic—related closure of city offices and the quick adjustment to online meetings and engagement. Several plan implementation steps were paused for about two years while community health and safety were prioritized, and the city is now moving forward again to engage with the community to address the challenges that arose just prior to and during the pandemic that are the impetus to bring the implementation actions from these adopted plans back into the spotlight.

## Long Range Plan Implementation

Fayetteville's City Plan 2040 was written to support the city's six goals:

- 1. We Will Make Appropriate Infill and Revitalization Our Highest Priority.
- 2. We Will Discourage Suburban Sprawl.
- 3. We Will Make Compact, Complete, and Connected Development the Standard.
- 4. We Will Grow A Livable Transportation Network.
- 5. We Will Assemble An Enduring Green Network.
- 6. We Will Create Opportunities for Attainable Housing.

All six goals have short–term, long–term, and ongoing "benchmarks," or action items to implement the adopted plan. Page 47 of the plan lists the short–term benchmarks, or action items meant to be accomplished between 2019 and 2025. Although plan implementation has been somewhat delayed by the COVID–19 pandemic, 8 of the 25 short–term benchmarks are not yet underway but are directly related to the city's role in responding to population growth and increasing housing supply, and that the Fayetteville City Council could consider prioritizing (City Plan 2040 associated goals and current status listed in parentheses):

 Develop internal processes to align funding, development and planning of city infrastructure with the goals of City Plan 2040. (Goal 1 & 2; ongoing with streamlined permitting and new software)

- Identify existing properties that are vacant or prime for redevelopment and initiate form—based rezoning discussions with property owners. (Goal 1, 2, & 3; ready to begin with 71B rezoning)
- Evaluate development thresholds based on quantitative metrics such as building form, not building type, and the encouragement of missing middle housing. (Goal 1, 2, 3, and 6; ongoing)
- Evaluate conditional use permit vs. use-by-right for appropriate infill. (Goal 1; ongoing)
- Identify gaps in affordability throughout the city and set numerical targets for housing that is
  affordable to a variety of households, including workforce, supportive, low income, families with
  children, and senior housing. (Goal 1, 3, 4, & 6; initiated with this analysis)
- Promote long-term affordability by targeting the use of public funds for the lowest income households, including those who are homeless, at risk of homelessness, or who have other special needs. (Goal 6; ongoing with federal HOME and American Rescue Plan Act funds)
- Examine potential regulatory barriers and policies that impede the provision of household affordability, including: infrastructure costs, the costs and benefits of development ordinances on housing development, and how the City's fees and requirements impact the cost of living for households in Fayetteville. (Goal 1 & 6; development fee study underway)
- Identify opportunities for the creation of affordable housing on publicly—owned land and develop partnerships with developers to provide flexible, affordable work space and housing. (Goal 6; initial discussions and review of potential projects underway)

**Long–term benchmarks** (more than five years from plan adoption) that are directly related to housing but not yet underway are:

- Evaluate the development and implementation of a tiered impact fee system. (Goals 1 & 2; not yet begun)
- Evaluate existing street design speed, operating speed and posted speed limits, to ensure that
  each is appropriate based on the roadway design and context of the surrounding environment.
  (Goal 4; ongoing with speed limit review and traffic calming procedures in residential
  neighborhoods)
- Create a complete neighborhood or street corridor plan every other year utilizing a charrette
  process and analyze water and sewer capacity to identify opportunities or limitations for
  development. (Goal 1, 4, & 6; not yet begun)

**Ongoing benchmarks** should also be highlighted here given the pause in plan implementation, as some may need to be prioritized for action:

- Support rezoning proposals that result in increased density around logical future transit stops, rail corridors and major transportation corridors. Recommendations should generally align with the Growth Concept Map. (Goal 4)
- Support development and redevelopment opportunities along the existing rail line. (Goal 4)
- Support and implement the goals, strategies and actions of the transformational 71B Corridor plan. (Goal 1, 2, & 4)
- Implement and utilize the Growth Concept Map to strategically incentivize the development of Tier-1, Tier-2, and Tier-3 commercial and mixed-use nodes along major corridors and as neighborhood centers. (Goal 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, & 6)
- Support the creation of a "real-time" database of available affordable housing units, services, resources, and incentives to strengthen the process of connecting qualified buyers and renters with affordable housing to comprehensively lower monthly household expenses. (Goal 6)
- Promote long-term affordability by developing new goals, targets, and strategies to promote
  the distribution of affordable housing in all parts of the city, including incentives for affordable
  housing in new developments and for the preservation of existing rental units. (Goal 6)

The remaining benchmarks do not have to be approached separately, but could instead be pulled together in a complete approach to developing housing solutions, particularly in areas of the city that have been identified as best able to support dense housing along major corridors and in places that support a mix of

housing and commercial development, such as Fayetteville's downtown area. As an example of the potential for a cohesive approach to plan implementation, three of the items listed in the ongoing benchmarks are closely tied together and could be approached as a single project. Supporting zoning proposals around major transportation corridors, supporting and implementing the goals, strategies and actions of the 71B Corridor Plan, and implementing and utilizing the Growth Concept Map on pages 13–16 of the plan document could all come together with a city–initiated project to rezone property along the 71B corridor (College Avenue, Nelson Hackett Boulevard, and South School Avenue) to allow for housing on properties that have extensive existing infrastructure, are located along a major transportation corridor that is already scheduled for additional investment to support development and alternative transportation, and that have limited proximity to existing residential neighborhoods. Additionally, there are multiple tier centers along this route that could be incorporated as part of the implementation of the growth concept map, furthering plan implementation in the same project.

# **Preserve Existing Affordable Housing**

Table 3 on page 20 of this assessment showed current average monthly rents for new apartments, with average rent for a two bedroom apartment just over \$1,400 per month. Table 4 on the same page showed that affordable housing costs for the median household income in Fayetteville should not exceed \$1,325 per month, which includes utilities and insurance costs. Current rents for newly constructed housing units are above affordable costs for at least half of Fayetteville households, and building new housing units does not provide a successful solution if the new units are at the cost of losing existing affordable housing.

In 2019 the City of San Antonio, Texas, engaged the firm PlaceEconomics to assess the risks to older and existing affordable housing stock as the city experienced rapid population growth and redevelopment. The results of this assessment, published as the report *Opportunity at Risk*,<sup>13</sup> were a caution against the assumption that newly constructed housing is the best way to achieve affordable housing goals. Some of the context of the 2019 report presented in the Executive Summary would be familiar to Fayetteville today:

- One in three San Antonio households is spending more than 30 percent of their income on housing and nearly half of all renters meet this "cost burdened" threshold.
- Over the last decade, while median household income increased 1.9% per year, housing prices increased at 4.7% per year.
- While San Antonio is experiencing greater than national average growth in jobs and housing, most of the new homes are large and expensive, and much of the job growth is in lower wage jobs.
- The existing pre–1960 housing stock is providing largely unsubsidized and unprotected affordable housing.
- Single family, renter-occupied structures in fair and poor condition are the most at-risk of demolition.

The main takeaway of the report is clear and succinct: "A city cannot build itself out of a housing crisis — the retention of existing housing stock is critical." Additionally, the report claimed three demonstrable premises:

- 1. One cannot build new and rent or sell cheap without subsidy.
- Almost by definition when a unit of older housing is razed, a unit of affordable housing is lost forever.
- 3. Existing affordable housing programs as useful and successful as they may be must be realigned to address older housing stock.

The conclusion provided a caution to other rapidly growing cities facing housing affordability challenges:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> Report available at <u>sanantonio.gov/Portals/0/Files/HistoricPreservation/CurrentProjects/AffordableHousing/OpportunityAtRisk–Report.pdf</u>

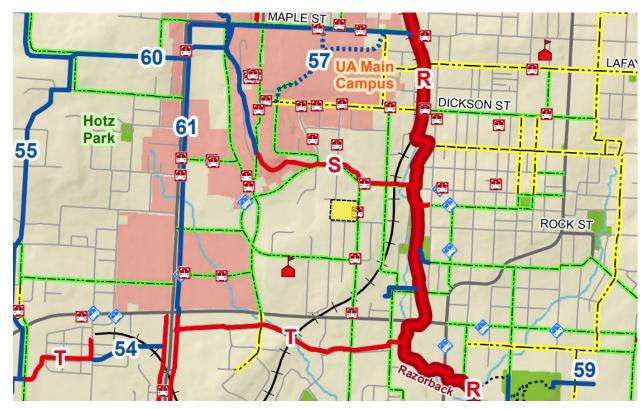
"Until the City of San Antonio can put new programs and policies into place, to reach the goal that the "average San Antonio family can afford to buy a home," the data illustrates that San Antonio is systematically razing housing that is affordable and building housing that is not." As Fayetteville looks to add housing units to supply, it is worth noting that new supply should be carefully balanced with preserving existing affordable housing — housing that can be in areas prime for redevelopment due to growing land values compared to declining value of aging structures.

Programs that provide assistance to low income households to help residents stay in their homes are a key part of preserving existing affordable housing. The City of Fayetteville's Community Resources Department completed home repair and rehabilitation projects for eighteen housing units and thirty—two residents in 2022 with funding from federal Community Development Block Grants (CDBG). The CDBG Program supports community development activities to build stronger and more resilient communities. To support community development, activities are identified through an ongoing process. Activities may address needs such as infrastructure, economic development projects, public facilities installation, community centers, housing rehabilitation, public services, clearance/acquisition, microenterprise assistance, code enforcement, homeowner assistance, etc.<sup>14</sup> The 2022 housing program projects in Fayetteville included roof repair, replacement and installation of heating and cooling equipment, repairs of holes in floors, new plumbing fixtures, new flooring, new windows, and plumbing repairs.

As of this assessment in 2023, the Community Resources Department has supported thirteen projects and eighteen residents with repair work that has included drywall repair, new roofs, new windows, new plumbing fixtures, basement remediation, and new plumbing fixtures. Total project costs for 2023 currently total \$118,365 with an average project cost of \$9,105. Participation in the CDBG program and accessing federal home repair funds will continue to be an important tool for preserving affordable housing for residents and keeping families in their homes.

<sup>14</sup> hudexchange.info/programs/cdbg/

### STAFF EXHIBIT: ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION PLAN EXCERPTS



PLAN VISION AND GOALS

PLAN VISION

any destination."

### **Active Transportation Plan**

Proposed Shared-Use Paved Trail
Proposed U of A Campus Connections
Proposed On-Street Bicycle Facility

### **Existing Trails**



On-Street Bicycle Facility

1 ENDEAVOR TO CREATE AN INCLUSIVE MULTI-MODAL TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM.
2 WORK TO BUILD A TRAIL CONNECTION WITHIN ONE HALF MILE OF EVERY RESIDENCE.
3 INCREASE THE ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION COMMUTING MODE SHARE FROM 7.5% TO 15% BY 2020.
4 IDENTIFY AND CORRECT MISSING BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN LINKAGES.

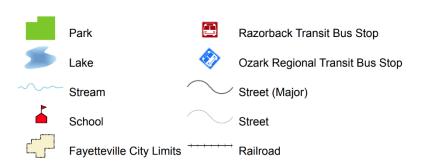
The Active Transportation Plan (ATP) has been developed through numerous planning and visioning exercises both locally and region wide. The ATP proposes to consolidate and summarize all of the various alternative transportation planning processes, policies and programs with the

following vision statement: "Fayetteville endeavors to develop and promote an interconnected and universally accessible network of sidewalks, trails and on-street bicycle facilities that encourage citizens to use active/non-motorized modes of transportation to safely and efficiently reach

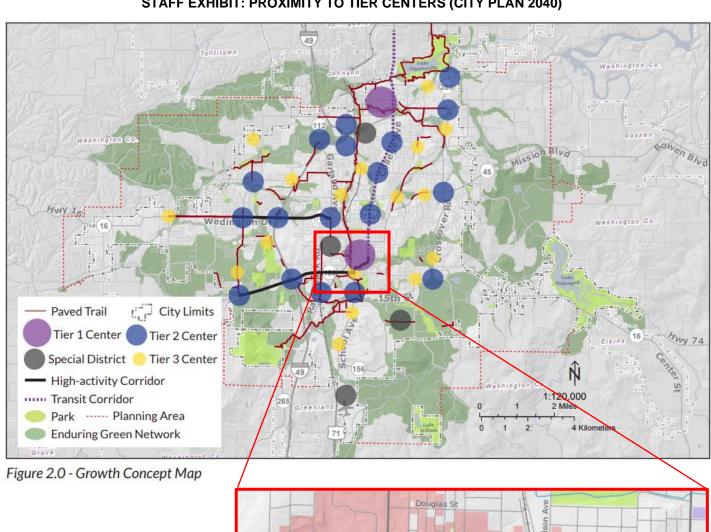
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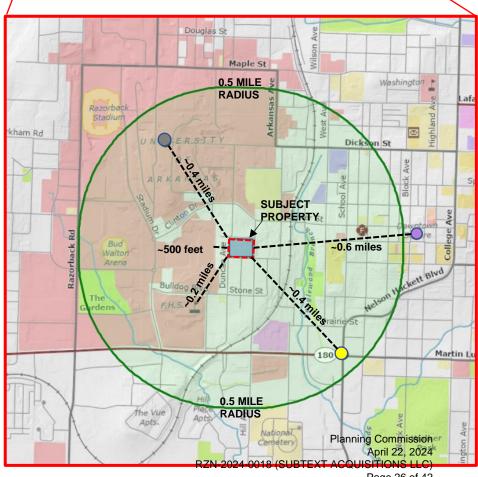
partner with advocates to address bicycle and pedestrian needs.

Earn bicycle friendly community designation of silver by 2017.



### STAFF EXHIBIT: PROXIMITY TO TIER CENTERS (CITY PLAN 2040)





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For transit to be utilized and cost effective requires density; density of residences, jobs, commercial areas and other destinations. The University of Arkansas Razorback Transit is well used in areas of the city close to campus where many students live and study. On the other hand, Ozark Regional Transit serves areas of Northwest Arkansas that may not be particularly dense or have high employment numbers. The lack of density challenges the cost effectiveness of transit and the real or perceived convenience of utilizing transit for commuting and day-to-day transportation needs for residents. One of the things that the City can do is to encourage redevelopment of College Avenue to increase residential density and commercial intensity. The 71B College Avenue Corridor Plan envisions this arterial roadway to transform incrementally over time into a mixed-use urban thoroughfare that would provide transit operators with more "capture", thereby becoming more cost effective and increasing customer convenience with more frequent buses. Logical transit stops city-wide should be planned and developed in accordance with the tiered activity centers identified on the Growth Concept Map. Ultimately, transit can make housing more affordable for Fayetteville residents by freeing up money typically encumbered by transportation expenses in household budgets.

#### 3.1.5 Reinvest in parks, streets, and civic buildings within the heart of the city.

The tree-lined streets, parks, and historic civic buildings found in Fayetteville's older neighborhoods greatly contribute to the unique community character and high quality of life that residents treasure. Preservation of our tree-lined streets and parks and adaptive reuse of our historic civic buildings will maintain the community cultural identity. The City should continue to utilize the Enduring Green Network map to identify and preserve high-value open spaces that help to create an interconnected green network throughout the community.

#### 3.1.6 Encourage historic preservation and adaptive re-use of buildings.

Historic preservation is crucial in retaining a community's character, identity, and evolutions. Preservation and restoration can be an effective tool for economic development and revitalization, achieving urban sustainability through reducing waste and emissions, and maintaining property values. Recent calculations indicate that it takes 35 to 50 years for a new energy efficient building to save the amount of energy lost in demolishing an existing building (National Trust for Historic Preservation).



Photo 3.4 - Walker-Stone Hous



Photo 3.5 - Former Public library



Photo 3.6 - Historic County Courthouse and Center Street



#### 3.1.8 Encourage new development that supports and compliments the unique characteristics and economic values of employment clusters in and around downtown, the U of A, the north end, the rail corridor, Drake Field and the Industrial Park.

There are two emerging central places in Fayetteville that contain a mixture of residential and commercial land uses, alternative transportation linkages, and employment centers in proximity to each other. At a neighborhood scale, this mixture of uses is often described as a "complete. compact and connected" place. The downtown/university area of the central city is rapidly redeveloping with residential and commercial activities and the uptown area is filling-in with medium-density residential to complement some of the existing commercial and office uses. Both districts have street network needs that should be addressed to encourage the efficient use of land and transportation improvements for each are described as recommendations in the Fayetteville Mobility Plan.

The Infill Assessment Map tool that staff developed as part of this plan update

provides a general locational framework for identifying parcels and areas that have proximity to existing utilities, infrastructure and services. Undeveloped or underutilized lands that score highly on the Infill Assessment Map should be considered prime candidates for future development with uses and building forms that are complementary to the existing neighborhood.

The Growth Concept Map is also useful for encouraging the development of mixed-use and neighborhood-scaled central places that provide nearby residents with some of their daily needs in proximity.

#### Determine feasibility of a tiered impact fee system.

A tiered impact fee system requires new development to pay its proportionate share of the costs to the municipality associated with providing necessary public services to the development based on its location. Tiered impact fees are based on the general acknowledgement that parcels and locations that are near the core of the city would have less impact, and areas on the urban fringe have more impact. Development on the fringe of the city will cost the City more over time to provide street infrastructure, water and sewer, and life-safety services. Therefore, development on the fringe should pay a higher impact fee upfront for these utilities, infrastructure and services. Phoenix, Arizona, Bellevue, Washington, Kansas City, Missouri and Conway, Arkansas have all implemented an impact fee system where the fee varies depending on where the development is proposed.



Photo 3.8 - Construction in Downtown Fayetteville



# 3.3 Goal 3 - We will make compact, complete, and connected development the standard

Historically, a traditional town form is the concept of creating compact, complete, and connected neighborhoods at a human scale, as opposed to an automotive scale. Much of Fayetteville developed post-World War II is created for the convenience of automobiles. Over the last decade, citizens of Fayetteville clearly indicated through public planning processes that they desire development patterns that place a high priority on human scale development patterns. This means pedestrian-oriented buildings, streets and multi-modal transportation options. This has been reflected in new form-based zoning codes where buildings address the street, construction of multi-use trails and an on-street bicycle network, and public investment in new sidewalk and pedestrian improvements along major corridors. Traditional town form alludes to development patterns prior to World War II that placed an equal priority on humans and automobiles. As a result, this pattern can achieve a much higher level of neighborhood cohesion and land use diversity compared with an auto-oriented development pattern where land uses are rigidly separated. Components that are common to a compact, complete, and connected built environment include: interconnected street networks, build-

"[Infill] makes spaces more walkable. It's frustrating to have to drive through a large, empty parking lot to get to a storefront. It makes one feel exposed as a pedestrian as well. I love the new infill developments because it seems like a better use of space." - Survey Respondent



Figure 3.8 - Dover-Kohl Corridor Development



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### **Goal 3 Objectives**

- 3.3.1 Require new growth that results in neighborhoods, districts and corridors that are:
  - <u>Compact</u> via denser housing; meaningful open spaces and preserves; small blocks
  - <u>Complete</u> via housing; mixed uses; civic uses; jobs-housing mix in the neighborhoods
  - <u>Connected</u> via street-oriented buildings; interconnected streets; interconnected greenways and trails
- 3.3.2 Prepare a transit-worthy community: increase density in highly walkable areas along logical future transit routes, and anticipate rail, street cars and other alternative transit modes.

The 71B College Avenue Corridor Plan provides a framework for incrementally redeveloping this major thoroughfare into a series of inter-connected and livable mixed-use districts. The City can provide redevelopment catalyst by making capital investments in increased street, sidewalk and trail connectivity.

# 3.3.3 Increase the viability of businesses by leveraging the economic performance of appealing environments that are mixed-use, walkable, and integrated with green space.

The Razorback Regional Greenway illustrates the ability of the City to leverage capital investments in trail infrastructure to drive economic development. The City created the Fayetteville Alternative Transportation and Trail Plan in 2003 and began building the Scull Creek Trail with \$2.1 million in funding provided by a bond issue passage. Additional yearly Capital Improvement Project funding of \$1.3 million annually was used to build-out the remainder of the trail. The economic development catalyst that the trail provided is evidenced by the residential and commercial development occurring in nodes along the trail spine in south Fayetteville, throughout downtown/Dickson Street, in mid-town around Poplar Street, and throughout the uptown district along Mud Creek.



Figure 3.10 - Example Development Layout



Figure 3.11 - Example Development Layout



# **Climate Action Plan**

## 1 Overall Goals

62% GHG reduction by 2030

Net zero emissions by 2050

### Aligns with Science Based Target Network

- Based on IPCC goal of 50% global GHG reduction by 2030, equitably adjusted for U.S. development and climate contributions
- Used by cities across the country

# Aligns with Paris Climate Accord & Science Based Target Network

 Recognizes necessity of reducing all greenhouse gases, not just carbon dioxide



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### **Climate Action Plan: Emissions Reduction Sector Goals**

### TRANSPORTATION:

- Reduce per capita transportation emissions year over year
- Create an equitable and sustainable multimodal transportation system for all ages and abilities
- Reduce city government fleet emissions year over year

### WATER:

- Prepare, plan, and develop community response strategies and contingencies for extreme weather events such as, heatwaves, droughts, and floods.
- Achieve per capita water consumption reductions year over year.
- Identify and prioritize the repair and installation of water system infrastructure to alleviate water leakage and accommodate growing system demands.

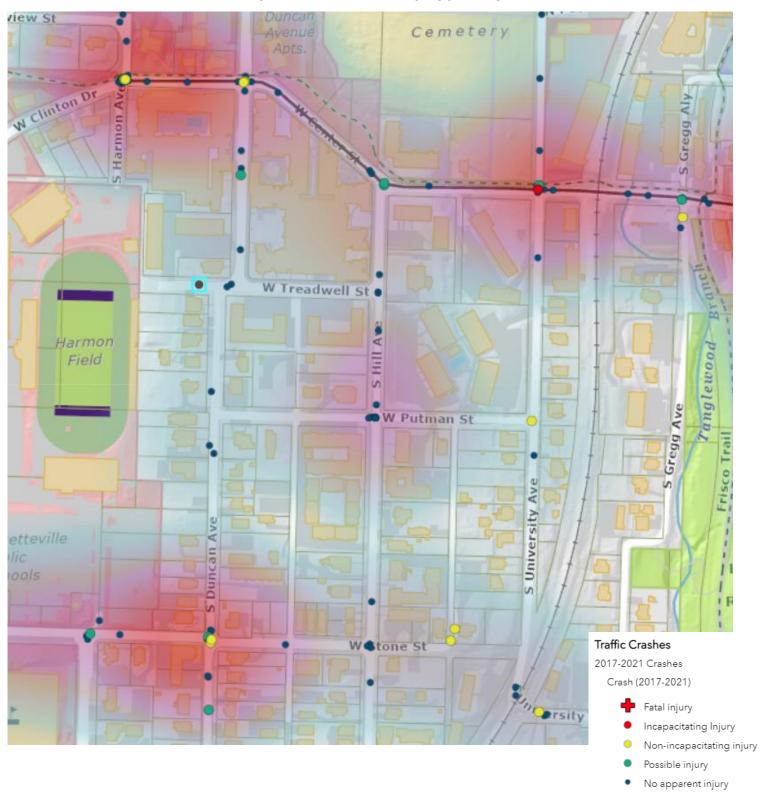








# STAFF EXHIBIT: ENERGY ACTION PLAN EXCERPTS STAFF EXHIBIT: TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS



Crash Density (2017-2021)



### Wonsower, Donna

From: Sent: To: Cc: Subject:	Scott and Jasmine 104 Duncan <hoghouse104@gmail.com> Monday, April 8, 2024 8:45 AM Planning Shared Wonsower, Donna Re: project inquiries for my neighborhood</hoghouse104@gmail.com>
CAUTION: This email original the sender and know the	ginated from outside of the City of Fayetteville. Do not click links or open attachments unless you recognize e content is safe.
Thank you so much	for the information!
On Mon, Apr 8, 202	4 at 8:23 AM Planning Shared < <u>planning@fayetteville-ar.gov</u> > wrote:
RZN-2024-0002 Was	s denied at the 3/11/2024 Planning Commission Meeting
RZN-2024-0018 Is s	cheduled for the 4/22/2024 Planning Commission Meeting.
	nformation we currently have. If you have any further questions, the planner assigned to RZN- Wonsower, should be able to answer them.
Thank you	
Mirinda Hopkins	
Development Coordi	nator
Planning Division	
City of Fayetteville	
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From: Scott and Jasmine 104 Duncan < hoghouse 104@gmail.com >

Sent: Friday, April 5, 2024 5:02 PM

**To:** Planning Shared <<u>planning@fayetteville-ar.gov</u>> **Subject:** project inquiries for my neighborhood

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Hi! I own the property at <u>104 S. Duncan Ave</u>. and was hoping to find out more information about the plans for the following rezoning projects in my neighborhood:

- RZN-2024-0002 (740 W Stone St.)
- RZN-2024-0018 (Treadwell Putman 3.10 acre block)

I plan to attend the hearings if I can, but I was hoping to find out some information before then. Do you know what type of development they are considering? My major concerns have to do with traffic congestion, parking issues in this area, and property values.

Thank you for taking the time to respond to my inquiry.

Jasmine Nile

### Wonsower, Donna

From: Wonsower, Donna

Sent: Wednesday, April 10, 2024 2:18 PM

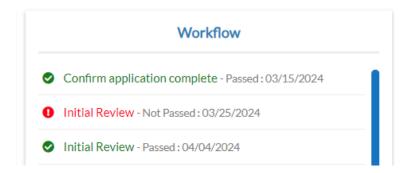
**To:** kat.a.cook3@gmail.com

**Cc:** Planning Shared

**Subject:** RE: S Duncan Rezoning

### Good Afternoon,

The proposed rezoning (RZN-2024-0018) has <u>not</u> been approved yet. If you are looking on the Citizen Self Service portal and see a "passed" as shown below, that indicates only that staff has approved the submittal documents and that no additional revisions are required for the document to be heard at planning commission.



This rezoning is not scheduled to be heard until the April 22 Planning Commission meeting, which begins on the second floor of City Hall at 5:30. As the public notice letters were delivered to the post office late last week, it is likely that those letters are still in transit through the post office and will be arriving shortly. All property owners and residents within 200 feet must be notified per city ordinances, and staff confirmed that all required parties were included in the applicant's certificate of mailing.

The Planning Commission meeting on April 22 is open to the public, and any member of the public who wishes to speak will have up to three minutes to speak at that meeting. If the Planning Commission does forward the request to City Council, there is also opportunity to speak at that meeting as the City Council makes the final determination on any proposed rezoning. Both meetings also have an option to attend virtually.

Staff is currently working on the staff report for this item, which should be posted to the city's website around the end of next week. Any public comments we receive by next Thursday, April 18 will be incorporated into the packet for the Planning Commission's consideration. Anyone may also provide an email to the planning department for inclusion within the Planning Commission packet, and I will make sure to include this email when compiling the document. I can also incorporate verbal comments given over the phone or in-person. Any verbal comments received are summarized in the public comment section of the report, while written comments are included in the packet as a whole. If anyone submits a comment after the packet is finalized, staff will forward the email to the commissioners and update the presentation to account for the additional comment.

I'm happy to discuss further if you have any additional questions.

Best Regards, Donna Wonsower (she/her) Planner, Development Services

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From: Planning Shared <planning@fayetteville-ar.gov>

Sent: Wednesday, April 10, 2024 1:52 PM

To: Wonsower, Donna <dwonsower@fayetteville-ar.gov>; kat.a.cook3@gmail.com

Subject: FW: S Duncan Rezoning

Kathryn,

Donna Wonsower is the planner assigned to this project.

Donna, please read below.

Thank you

Mirinda Hopkins Development Coordinator Planning Division City of Fayetteville 479-575-8267

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From: Kathryn Cook <<u>kat.a.cook3@gmail.com</u>>
Sent: Wednesday, April 10, 2024 11:41 AM

To: Planning Shared <planning@fayetteville-ar.gov>

Subject: Fwd: S Duncan Rezoning

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I am forwarding an email I just sent to my City Council representative about the rezoning of my neighborhood for more large scale housing "luxury" apartments, or student housing. None of us were aware of this, of course, and now we have no way of fighting. Please read these concerns. I've spoken to many who live in this neighborhood and I currently live at 98 S Duncan and have for 12 years. I implore you to rethink this decision that will put an entire block of affordable housing renters onto the streets of Fayetteville.

Thank you for your time, Kathryn Cook

----- Forwarded message ------

From: Kathryn Cook < kat.a.cook3@gmail.com >

Date: Wed, Apr 10, 2024, 11:35 AM

Subject: S Duncan Rezoning

To: <<u>sarah.bunch@fayetteville-ar.gov</u>>

### Good morning,

I'm reaching out because I live at 98 S Duncan Ave and have for 12 years. We recently just found out that our apartment is being sold for a large development, possible student housing. I just looked online and apparently the rezoning went through, even though none of us knew it was happening and could not speak up.

I'm trying to understand our options. This development is going to destroy an entire block of affordable rental housing. No one in this neighborhood wants this. Furthermore, we will all be left homeless because there is no rent in this town that's as affordable as ours and we're still fighting to make ends meet.

I'm an Architect and I love where I live, the community, the neighborhood, and the affordability. Do we as residents have any say in more of our housing being destroyed for overpriced student housing and "luxury" apartments? My neighbors across the street bought the house next door to prevent more of this egregious development that has constantly been destroying our neighborhoods, our town, and the ability for the people who actually work here to enjoy it. It's absolutely disgusting.

I was kicked out of my last apartment, with one months notice for student housing and now it's happening again. How can this rezone be allowed and this destruction of our actual affordable housing? Especially when it's outside developers coming in. I had to beg my landlord to let us know what was possibly going on but we're still in the dark.

Absolutely no one that actually lives in this area wants this. Does the city plan on helping all of these people find new housing that's affordable and also safe? Most of these people don't have cars and live in this location for the walk ability, as well. If I, an architect with a second job can't even afford to live in a leaky basement apartment, how can we expect others to who actually work in hospitality and keep this city running?

Chad Kahana is my neighbor and suggested I reach out because we're all at such a loss. On top of it, our apartment building is about 100 years old and most likely the oldest original apartment building in our city. Families live in this neighborhood. People stay here because it's beautiful, affordable, and a wonderful location. We don't deserve to be pushed out of Fayetteville because some college can't control its student population and created a space for greedy developers from out of state to come in and tear apart our lives.

I appreciate any and all help we can get and any information. We've all been in a constant state of anxiety, depression, and stress over this. I'm going to have to either get a third job, or completely leave my company of ten years to move away because of this. We are humans and these are our homes. We should not be punished and left on the streets.

Thank you for your time, Kathryn Cook 479-567-9355 Architect Two term Historic District Commission

### Wonsower, Donna

From: Kathryn Cook <kat.a.cook3@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, April 17, 2024 1:18 PM

**To:** Bunch, Sarah; Bostick, Britin; Wonsower, Donna

**Subject:** Plan Number: RZN-2024-0018 **Attachments:** Picsart\_24-04-17\_13-16-37-314.jpg

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### Good morning,

Is like to include this in the packet for the Planning Commission meeting on Monday, April 22.

I wanted to email a little more input and information on this possible destructive precedent that's about to be set for viable neighborhoods in Fayetteville. I hope you will each take the time to drive this area before voting through and allowing its demise.

We have a viable neighborhood full of multiple types of housing and people. We have renters, we owners. We have families, college students, young professionals, and elders. Some of our residents have lived here for decades and some just a few years. Myself, I've lived at 98 S Duncan for over 12 years. It's home. All of our tenants, except one, have been in our building over five years.

Everyone loves this neighborhood, the trees, the wildlife, the walkablility, and most importantly the community. We sit on our stoop and porches and talk. We stand in each other's front yards and talk about how beautiful the lawn is. We take care of one another's pets, we help with groceries, we check on those who don't have family and community outside of our neighborhood.

This is a fully residential neighborhood that also still offers places to live that are actually affordable. If this rezone is allowed, our apartment will be sold and torn down (our homes) a long with everyone else who will lose their home. We have one of the oldest, if not the oldest, apartment building in Fayetteville. These are all healthy, viable places to live however, once we lose these, most of us will have to relocate out of Fayetteville (along with having to find new jobs elsewhere).

Tearing down this neighborhood does not bring community, does not bring better quality of life, it only brings overpriced student housing and overpriced apartments (about \$1,200/month for a micro studio) and it does not bring money to Fayetteville. It does not help the citizens.

This proposal does not adhere to the existing neighborhood context, it absolutely destroys it, just like The Cardinal and Atmosphere have done. Not one person that lives there wants this yet we have absolutely no say anymore.

Rezoning this sets the rest of the city up for more out of state developers to come in, kick everyone out of there housing that's actually still affordable, completely demolish everything in it's path, and building MORE student housing and luxury apartments. It only helps stuff the pockets of a just a few a hurts

everyone else. We should not continue to be punished because the University took the cap off of it's yearly acceptance.

Along with this, another developer is buying all of the houses on the opposite side of the street of Duncan (Putnam to the Cardinal) and is planning on tearing everything out along there for additional student housing. My neighbors across the street bought the house next to them to try to prevent any of this and yet it's happening. Their arms are being twisted and they will most likely sell because they don't think they're healthy can handle all of this construction. Along with this, these developers show up once a week harassing people about buying their homes.

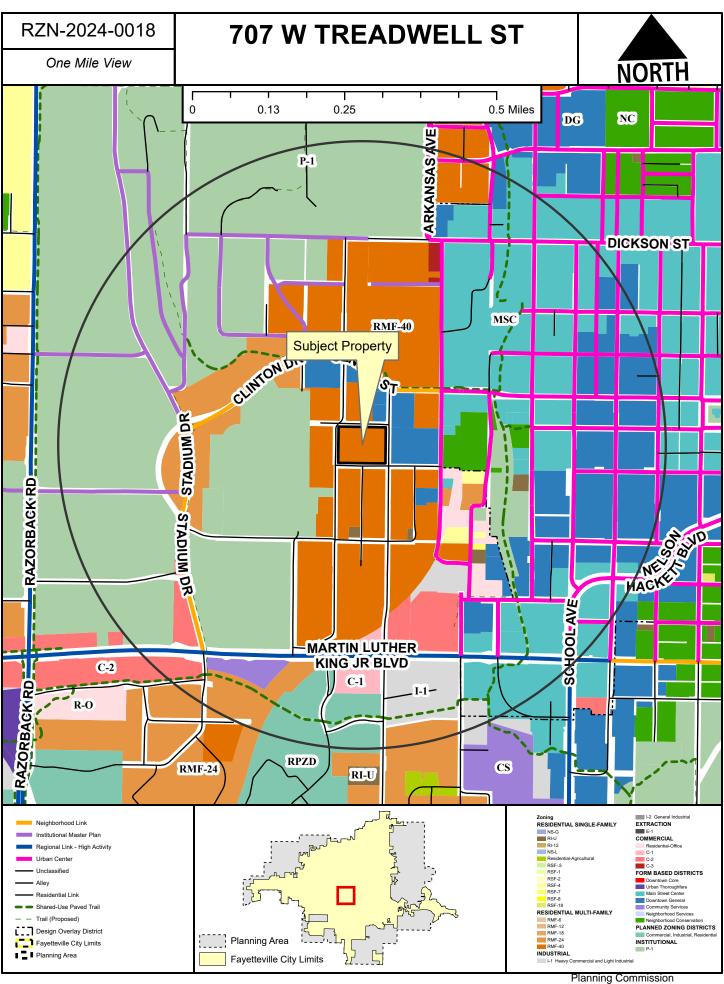
If any of this is allowed, this neighborhood and community will be a thing of the past, yet again. It's truly the ideal Fayetteville neighborhood and should be kept and protected.

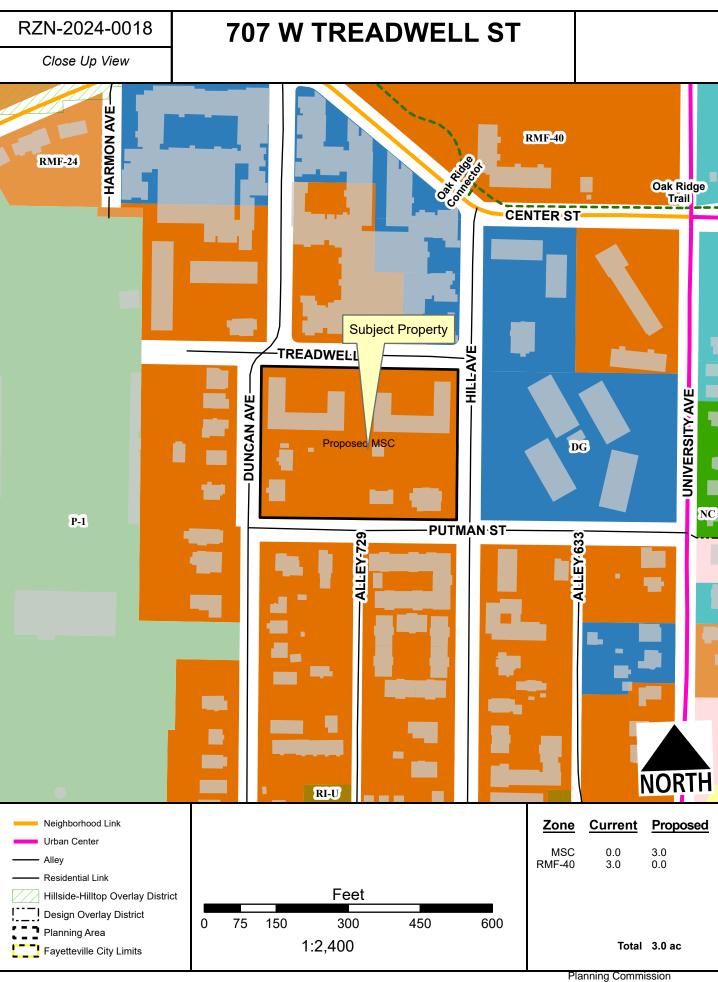
We need zoning that prevents viable housing from being destroyed and NEIGHBOR PROTECTION ACTS. We care about where we live and the people that love there. These are our Homes. We work day and night to make ends meet yet it's not enough. There are plenty of lots that have sat empty for years, and decades in this neighborhood that could actually be used for REAL INFILL. The argument that this is a way for them to create appropriate infill for this area (by tearing everything down) is just not correct. That is not infill. There is still land to make use and this does none of the things that were stated in the "Goals" of this project.

I'm also still confused about the city promoting "employment clusters" and "promoting economic values of employment clusters". This sounds like a way to drive out low income citizens from the actual city and confide us into an area that never sees tax money or better infrastructure. It sounds pretty disgusting, honestly. Especially when it's being used to take out housing that works so the rich can build luxury housing for their friends.

Along with this, my apartment building and another on our street, were conveniently left off of the mailing list for the information for any of this. I only found out because I spoke with a surveyor. Please truly consider what precedent you're setting and how much destruction, homeless, and forced existing of the community this will cause. See the whole picture.

I appreciate your time, Kathryn Cook AIA Architect





RZN-2024-0018 707 W TREADWELL ST Current Land Use NORTH **GUNTON DR** Multi-Family Residential **CENTER ST** Subject Property Single-Family Residential / Institutional Multi-Family Residential Mixed-Density Residential **BULLDOG BLVD** BUCHANAN Institutional Neighborhood Link **FEMA Flood Hazard Data** Institutional Master Plan Urban Center 100-Year Floodplain Unclassified Feet 💋 Floodway Residential Link 112.5 225 450 675 900 Planning Area Fayetteville City Limits 1:3,600 Design Overlay District

