

Small-Scale Land Use Map Amendment 6224 SW 20th Avenue PB-20-67 LUC & Ordinance 200254

City Commission December 3, 2020

Site Location: 6224 SW 20th Avenue





Proposed Change

Change Future Land Use Map from Residential Low to Residential Medium

> Density increase from up to 15 units per acre to 8 – 30 units per acre

Related to Petition PB-20-66 ZON to change the zoning to RMF-8



Property Description

- Property Size: 8.33 acres
- Current Use: Vacant
- Annexed into Gainesville in 2017
- West of I-75 on the north side of SW 20th Avenue
- Tax Parcel Number: 06675-006-000
- Current land use category (Residential Low) allows multi-family residential
- Located in Zone D of TMPA & UF Context Area



Existing Future Land Use Map



Proposed Future Land Use Map



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Residential Medium Density

- Density from 8 30 units/acre
- Uses allowed include:
 - SF or medium intensity multi-family dwellings
 - Places of religious assembly
 - Schools
 - Libraries
 - Home occupations
 - Assisted Living facilities



Environmental Review

- Basic Review revealed no wetlands, strategic ecosystem, or regulated natural or archaeological resources
- Small area of FEMA Flood Zone A on the SW border of the property
- Soils on the site are suitable for urban development



Consistency with the Comprehensive Plan

- FLUE Policy 1.1.3: Proposed change will allow for a range of residential unit types
- FLUE Objective 4.1: Appropriate location for medium-density residential consistent with surrounding properties & in keeping with the surrounding character & environmental conditions of the site
- FLUE Objective 1.5: Infill development that discourages urban sprawl



Compatibility & surrounding land uses

- Abutting properties N, E, & W contain MF development at similar densities
- Annexed property to the W has RM designation
- Compatible infill residential development in an area with existing urban services
- Close proximity to existing service & employment activities such as Oaks Mall, Butler Plaza, & UF



- Environmental Impacts & Constraints
 - Isolated FEMA Flood Zone A area
 - No other environmental resources are known to be located on the site



Support for urban infill &/or redevelopment

- Surrounded by existing development on 3 sides
 - Development occurred from 1979-1986
- Urban services available to serve the site include:
 - Centralized potable water & wastewater
 - Transit service
 - Bike lanes
 - Existing public roads



Impacts on affordable housing

- RM allows higher density & a variety of housing types
- Increased density will allow more units on the site which may reduce the unit and land costs to help create additional housing affordability



- Impacts on the transportation system
 - Site is located on an existing roadway (SW 20th Avenue)
 - Existing bike lanes
 - Sidewalks under construction
 - Site is currently served by RTS Routes 75 & 76
 - Located in Zone D of the TMPA (will require a TMPA Agreement)
 - Located in the UF Context Area (funding of transit capital costs is required by TM Element Policy 10.1.14)



- Availability of facilities & services
 - Centralized electric, potable water, & wastewater services available
 - Site is on an existing roadway with capacity
 - Sidewalks under construction
 - Existing bike lanes
 - Existing transit service



- Need for additional acreage in the proposed future land use category
 - City staff analysis indicates RM is approximately 4.5% of City land area
 - Approximately 6.4% of the RM acreage is vacant
 - Adding the 8.33 +/- acres of the subject property increases the RM vacant acreage to about 6.8% vacant (modest increase of 0.4%)



Discouragement of urban sprawl

- Proposal increases density on an infill parcel
- No major impacts on natural resources or the environment (only a small FEMA Zone A area on the site)
- Promotes efficient provision of public infrastructure by being located on centralized utilities & existing transportation facilities
- Promotes compact development by increasing densities
- Preserves agricultural areas because there is no agricultural activity on the site



- Need for job creation, capital investment, & economic development for City's economy
 - Future development of the site will create construction jobs
 - Development on the site will increase the City's tax base
 - Residential support for existing commercial & employment centers near the site
 - Higher density will increase the development potential of the site



- Need to modify land use categories & development patterns within antiquated subdivisions
 - Not applicable. There are no antiquated subdivisions on the subject property



Summary

- Change future land use category from Residential Low to Residential Medium
- Small-scale future land use amendment
- Related to PB 20-66 ZON a rezoning to RMF-8
- Staff Recommendation: Approval
- Plan Board Recommendation: Approval

Applicant requests approval of Petition PB-20-67 LUC & Ordinance 200254

