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Neighborhood Partners 100, LLC 11 Dupont Circle, NW Suite 900 Washington, D.C. 20036 April 11, 2023

Re: Notification of Planning Board Action on Conceptual Site Plan CSP-13006-01 1990 Brightseat Road Property

Dear Applicant:

This is to advise you that, on **April 6, 2023**, the above-referenced Conceptual Site Plan was acted upon by the Prince George's County Planning Board pursuant to the Transitional Provisions of Section 27-1700 of the Prince George's County Zoning Ordinance and in accordance with the attached Resolution.

Pursuant to Section 27-280 of the prior Zoning Ordinance, the Planning Board's decision will become final 30 calendar days after the date of this final notice (April 11, 2023) of the Planning Board's decision, unless:

- 1. Within the 30 days, a written appeal has been filed with the District Council by the applicant or by an aggrieved person that appeared at the hearing before the Planning Board in person, by an attorney, or in writing and the review is expressly authorized in accordance with Section 25-212 of the Land Use Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland; or
- 2. Within the 30 days (or other period specified by Section 27-291 of the prior Zoning Ordinance), the District Council decides, on its own motion, to review the action of the Planning Board.

Please direct any future communication or inquiries regarding this matter to Ms. Donna J. Brown, Clerk of the County Council, at 301-952-3600.

Very truly yours, James R. Hunt, Chief Development Review Division

SSC Reviewer

Attachment: PGCPB Resolution No. 2023-39

cc: Donna J. Brown, Clerk of the County Council Persons of Record MN

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File No. CSP-13006-01

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WHEREAS, the Prince George's County Planning Board is charged with the approval of Conceptual Site Plans pursuant to Part 3, Division 9 of the Zoning Ordinance of the Prince George's County Code; and

WHEREAS, a new Zoning Ordinance, Subtitle 27, Prince George's County Code went into effect on April 1, 2022; and

WHEREAS, the subject property is within the Town Activity Center-Core (TAC-C) and Agriculture and Preservation (AG) Zones; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 27-1903(c) of the Zoning Ordinance, development applications submitted and accepted as complete before April 1, 2024, but still pending final action as of that date, may be reviewed and decided in accordance with the Zoning Ordinance in existence at the time of submission and acceptance of the application; and

WHEREAS, therefore, the Prince George's County Planning Board of The Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission reviewed this application under the Zoning Ordinance in existence prior to April 1, 2022; and

WHEREAS, in consideration of evidence presented at a public hearing on March 30, 2023, regarding Conceptual Site Plan CSP-13006-01 for 1990 Brightseat Road Property, the Planning Board finds:

1. **Request:** This conceptual site plan (CSP) approves development of 170 rear-loaded single-family attached condominium units on a single lot on the subject property.

#### 2. **Development Data Summary:**

	EXISTING	APPROVED
Zone(s)	TAC-C/AG	M-X-T/O-S
Use(s)	Vacant/parking lot	Residential, Townhouse
Gross Acreage	17.26/4.89	17.26/4.89*
Floodplain Acreage	4.06	4.06
Net Acreage	18.05	18.05
Total Gross Floor Area (GFA) (sq. ft.)	-	293,088 sq. ft.**
Of which Commercial GFA	-	0
Residential GFA	-	0
Total Townhouse Units	-	170

#### Floor Area Ratio (FAR) in the M-X-T Zone

Base Density Allowed:	0.40 FAR
Total FAR Permitted:	0.40 FAR
Total FAR Approved:	0.300 FAR***

**Notes:** \*The gross tract area on the various plans submitted is represented as 22.12 acres and 22.15 acres. A condition has been provided herein, to correct the acreage to be consistent on all plans.

\*\*The gross floor area (GFA) approved is not provided on the conceptual site plan (CSP). A condition has been provided herein, to include the GFA in the CSP general notes.

\*\*\*The floor area ratio (FAR) approved is not provided on the conceptual site plan (CSP). A condition has been provided herein, to provide a FAR table on the CSP.

- 3. **Location:** The subject property is located in the northwest quadrant of the intersection of Brightseat Road and Sheriff Road, in Planning Area 72 and Council District 5. The site is currently unimproved, with remnants of a former overflow parking lot to serve the nearby stadium. The Cattail Branch Creek runs north/south through the western end of the site, with an extension of the stream projecting further into the middle of the property.
- 4. **Surrounding Uses:** The site is bounded to the north by the Board of Education Bonnie F. Johns Educational Media Center and a parcel improved with an existing automotive dealership, both in the Town Activity Center–Core (TAC-C) Zone; to the east by Brightseat Road, with commercial uses in the TAC-C Zone beyond; to the south by Sheriff Road, with FedEx Field stadium property in the Legacy Comprehensive Design Zone beyond; and to the west by single-family detached homes in the Residential, Single-Family-Attached Zone.
- 5. Previous Approvals: The subject property, also referred to as Parcel 51, was the subject of Certification of Nonconforming Use CNU-25172-11, which sought non-conforming use certification for a permanent use and occupancy permit, to allow parking for stadium events. The Prince George's County Planning Board denied the request (PGCPB Resolution No. 12-87); however, the Prince George's County District Council approved it on February 11, 2013, allowing the existing gravel lot to continue as a temporary nonconforming use for five years. The 2009 *Approved Landover Gateway Sector Plan and Proposed Sectional Map Amendment* (sector plan) rezoned 19.57 acres, including the subject property, from the Miscellaneous Commercial Zone to the Mixed Use-Transportation Oriented (M-X-T) Zone. On June 26, 2014, the Planning Board approved Conceptual Site Plan CSP-13006 (PGCPB Resolution No. 14-60) for the development of 380 multifamily units.
- 6. **Design Features**: This CSP approved a single-use, residential community including up to 170 single-family attached dwelling units with associated recreational facilities, in compliance

with the prior Prince George's County Zoning Ordinance and applicable review criteria. The project, which is primarily located on the M-X-T-zoned portion of the property, will comply with all applicable development standards of the M-X-T Zone.

The property is approved to be developed with up to 170 rear-loaded single-family attached units in a condominium regime on a single lot. All units will be constructed with 3 stories, measuring 18 feet wide by 36 feet deep, and up to 1,704 gross square feet of interior space. Each unit is provided a one-garage parking space and at least one parking space in the driveway, with the exception of units 30–35, which is only provided with a single garage parking space. In addition to the unit parking provided, 52 on-site parking spaces are provided as either on-street parallel parking or head-in spaces. The overall parking provided results in a total of approximately 2.26 spaces per unit.

The streets within the community are private and are designed as modified sections, in accordance with the County's urban street design standards. An opportunity for an inter-parcel access has been provided for future development on adjacent properties to the north of the subject property.

The community features private on-site recreational amenities that include a pool, a pool house of up to approximately 2,000 gross square feet (and associated storage for outdoor equipment), a tot lot with play equipment for age groups 2-5 and 5-12, and open space play areas. A master plan trail is approved to extend through the site for a future trail connection to the north.

#### **COMPLIANCE WITH EVALUATION CRITERIA**

- 7. **Prince George's County Zoning Ordinance**: This application has been reviewed for compliance with the requirements of the M-X-T Zone and the site plan design guidelines of the prior Zoning Ordinance.
  - a. This application is in conformance with the requirements of Section 27-547, Uses Permitted, of the prior Zoning Ordinance, which governs uses in all mixed-use zones, as follows:
    - (1) The approved residential use is permitted in the prior M X-T Zone. Per Footnote 7 of the Table of Uses, which stipulates that the maximum number and type of dwelling units shall be determined at the time of CSP approval. Therefore, development of this property would be limited to the numbers and types, as approved with this CSP, that cannot exceed 170 single-family attached condominium units.
    - (2) Section 27-547(d) of the prior Zoning Ordinance provides standards for the required mix of uses for sites in the M X T Zone, as follows:

- (d) At least two (2) of the following three (3) categories shall be included on the Conceptual Site Plan and ultimately present in every development in the M- X-T Zone. In a Transit District Overlay Zone, a Conceptual Site Plan may include only one of the following categories, provided that, in conjunction with an existing use on abutting property in the M-X-T Zone, the requirement for two (2) out of three (3) categories is fulfilled. The Site Plan shall show the location of the existing use and the way that it will be integrated in terms of access and design with the proposed development. The amount of square footage devoted to each use shall be in sufficient quantity to serve the purposes of the zone:
  - (1) Retail businesses;
  - (2) Office, research, or industrial uses;
  - (3) Dwellings, hotel, or motel.

Only residential uses are approved with this CSP. Section 27-547(e) of the prior Zoning Ordinance provides an exception to the required mix of uses "for property placed in the M-X-T Zone by a Sectional Map Amendment approved after October 1, 2006, and recommended for mixed-use development in the general plan, and a master plan, or sector plan for which a comprehensive land use planning study was conducted by technical staff prior to initiation, a CSP submitted for any property located in the M-X-T Zone may include only one (1) of the above categories, provided that it conforms to the visions, goals, policies, and recommendations of the plan for that specific portion of the M-X-T Zone."

In an e-mail dated July 1, 2014, to the applicant's legal representative from the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission's Legal Department (Borden to Haller), it was concluded that an Urban Land Institute Technical Assistance Panel conducted between January 17 and 18, 2006, for the redevelopment of the Landover Mall and vicinity, and which included the subject property, was deemed sufficient to allow the applicant to proceed with a single use on the subject property. With the conditions provided herein, the approval conforms to the visions, goals, and policies within the sector plan.

b. Section 27-548, M-X-T Zone Regulations, of the prior Zoning Ordinance, establishes additional standards for the development in this zone. The CSP's conformance with the applicable provisions is discussed as follows:

#### (a) Maximum floor area ratio (FAR):

- (1) Without the use of the optional method of development—0.40 FAR
- (2) With the use of the optional method of development—8.0 FAR

The applicant did not propose the use of the optional method. The statement of justification (SOJ) provided 0.300 FAR approved for this site, which is within the maximum.

(b) The uses allowed in the M-X-T Zone may be located in more than one (1) building, and on more than one (1) lot.

The CSP approved more than one building on one lot, as allowed.

(c) Except as provided for in this Division, the dimensions for the location, coverage, and height of all improvements shown on an approved Detailed Site Plan shall constitute the regulations for these improvements for a specific development in the M-X-T Zone.

This requirement is not applicable to this CSP, but will be applicable to a subsequent detailed site plan (DSP) review for this site.

(d) Landscaping, screening, and buffering of development in the M-X-T Zone shall be provided pursuant to the provisions of the Landscape Manual. Additional buffering and screening may be required to satisfy the purposes of the M-X-T Zone and to protect the character of the M-X-T Zone from adjoining or interior incompatible land uses.

The development is subject to the requirements of the 2010 *Prince George's County Landscape Manual* (Landscape Manual). Compliance with the requirements of the Landscape Manual will be reviewed at the time of DSP.

(e) In addition to those areas of a building included in the computation of gross floor area (without the use of the optional method of development), the floor area of the following improvements (using the optional method of development) shall be included in computing the gross floor area of the building of which they are a part: enclosed pedestrian spaces, theaters, and residential uses. Floor area ratios shall exclude from gross floor area that area in a building or structure devoted to vehicular parking and parking access areas (notwithstanding the provisions of Section 27-107.01). The floor area ratio shall be applied to the entire property which is the subject of the Conceptual Site Plan.

This requirement will be reviewed for compliance at the time of DSP when detailed building designs are provided; however, the CSP complies with this requirement.

### (f) Private structures may be located within the air space above, or in the ground below, public rights-of-way.

This requirement will be reviewed for compliance at the time of DSP; however, the CSP does not show any private structures above or below public rights-of-way.

# (g) Each lot shall have frontage on, and direct vehicular access to, a public street, except lots for which private streets or other access rights-of-way have been authorized pursuant to Subtitle 24 of this Code.

This requirement is met, pursuant to prior Subtitle 24. The applicant will need to request a variation at the time of preliminary plan of subdivision (PPS), to provide access directly from an arterial roadway (Brightseat Road) if an internal road is not provided.

(h) Townhouses developed pursuant to a Detailed Site Plan for which an application is filed after December 30, 1996, shall be on lots at least one thousand two hundred (1,200) square feet in size, and shall have at least sixty percent (60%) of the full front facades constructed of brick, stone, or stucco. In addition, there shall be no more than eight (8) townhouses per building group, except where the applicant demonstrates to the satisfaction of the Planning Board or District Council, as applicable, that more than eight (8) dwelling units (but not more than ten (10) dwelling units) would create a more attractive living environment or would be more environmentally sensitive. In no event shall the number of building groups containing more than eight (8) dwelling units exceed twenty percent (20%) of the total number of building groups in the total development. The minimum building width in any continuous, attached group shall be eighteen (18) feet, and the minimum gross living space shall be one thousand two hundred and fifty (1,250) square feet. For the purposes of this Subsection, gross living space shall be defined as all interior building space except the garage and unfinished basement or attic area. The minimum lot size, maximum number of units per building group and percentages of such building groups, and building width requirements and restrictions shall not apply to townhouses on land any portion which lies within one-half (1/2) mile of an existing or planned mass transit rail station site operated by the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority and initially opened after January 1, 2000. In no event shall there be more than ten (10) dwelling units in a building group and no more than two (2) building groups containing ten (10) dwelling units. For purposes of this section, a building group shall be

> considered a separate building group (even though attached) when the angle formed by the front walls of two (2) adjoining rows of units is greater than forty-five degrees (45°). Except that, in the case of a Mixed-Use Planned Community, there shall be no more than eight (8) townhouses per building group, except when the applicant demonstrates to the satisfaction of the Planning Board or District Council, as applicable, that more than eight (8) dwelling units (but not more than ten (10) dwelling units) would create a more attractive living environment or would be more environmentally sensitive. In no event shall the number of building groups containing more than eight (8) dwelling units exceed twenty percent (20%) of the total number of building groups in the total development. The minimum building width in any continuous, attached group shall be eighteen (18) feet, and the minimum gross living space shall be one thousand two hundred and fifty (1,250) square feet. For the purposes of this Subsection, gross living space shall be defined as all interior building space except the garage and unfinished basement or attic area. Garages may not dominate the streetscape. Garages that are attached or incorporated into the dwelling shall be set back a minimum of four (4) feet from the front façade and there shall not be more than a single garage, not to exceed ten (10) feet wide, along the front facade of any individual unit. Garages may be incorporated into the rear of the building or freestanding in the rear vard and accessed by an alley. Sidewalks are required on both sides of all public and private streets and parking lots. At the time of Detailed Site Plan, the Planning Board or the District Council may approve a request to substitute townhouses, proposed for development as condominiums, in place of multifamily dwellings that were approved in a Conceptual Site Plan approved prior to April 1, 2004. Such substitution shall not require a revision to any previous plan approvals. Further, at the time of Detailed Site Plan for a Mixed-Use Planned Community, the Planning Board or the District Council may approve modifications to these regulations so long as the modifications conform to the applicable regulations for the particular development.

> This CSP proposes 170 single-family attached units in a condominium regime. Conformance with these specific townhouse requirements will be reviewed at the time of PPS and DSP, when detailed lot and building information is available.

#### (i) The maximum height of multifamily buildings shall be one hundred and ten (110) feet. This height restriction shall not apply within any Transit District Overlay Zone, or a Mixed-Use Planned Community.

Multifamily buildings were not provided with this application.

c. The subject application has been reviewed for conformance with the requirements of Section 27-546(d) of the prior Zoning Ordinance, which requires additional findings for the Planning Board to approve a CSP in the prior M-X-T Zone, as follows:

### (1) The proposed development is in conformance with the purposes and other provisions of this Division:

The approved development is in conformance with the purposes of the M-X-T Zone. One purpose of the M-X-T Zone is to promote orderly development of land in the vicinity of major intersections to enhance the economic status of Prince George's County. The approved development, located in the northwest quadrant of the Sheriff Road and Brightseat Road intersection provides increased economic activities to the numerous retail, dining, and recreational opportunities in the immediate vicinity. Proximity to these amenities allows for the reduction of the number and distance of automobile trips. This CSP, in general, promotes the purposes of the M X-T Zone and contributes to the orderly implementation of the 2014 Plan Prince George's 2035 Approved General Plan (Plan 2035). Another purpose of the M-X-T Zone is to create compact, mixed-use, and walkable communities that emphasize pedestrian experience with active street fronts, encouraging a 24-hour environment. Although this development is entirely residential, accessibility to nearby commercial operations is critical and will be further evaluated with the DSP. The visual character and identity of the project will be a function of the architecture of the buildings, entrance features, and landscape plantings, which will be evaluated at the time of DSP review. Buildings shall be designed with high-quality detailing and design variation and shall be appropriate in scale with the location. The architecture, landscape treatment, signage, and other elements shall be coordinated to give the development a distinctive visual character.

(2) For property placed in the M-X-T Zone through a Sectional Map Amendment approved after October 1, 2006, the proposed development is in conformance with the design guidelines or standards intended to implement the development concept recommended by the Master Plan, Sector Plan, or Sectional Map Amendment Zoning Change;

The subject site was rezoned to the M-X-T Zone in 2009, through the sector plan. This sector plan does not contain a design concept for the subject property but does provide design guidelines and standards for evaluating conformance with a general design concept for the center and edge areas. This application was approved with the recommended conditions, and the intent of the design guidelines and sector plan are met.

#### (3) The proposed development has an outward orientation which either is physically and visually integrated with existing adjacent development or catalyzes adjacent community improvement and rejuvenation;

The details of the orientation are not fully available at the time of CSP; however, based on conceptual plans provided, the approved development is partially

> outwardly oriented with the front and side facades of the townhouse units oriented toward Brightseat Road, Sheriff Road, and the main road into this community. At the time of PPS, the applicant will be encouraged to increase the front facades along the entrance road into the community. Several residential, commercial, and industrial development projects are currently in various stages of review or construction within this area.

## (4) The proposed development is compatible with existing and proposed development in the vicinity;

This site is bounded by public roadways to the east and south, by a Board of Education property and car dealership to the north, and by the Palmer Park single-family detached subdivision to the west. The approved residential development is sensitively designed in accordance with the sector plan vision, and is compatible with existing development in the vicinity.

#### (5) The mix of uses, and the arrangement and design of buildings and other improvements, reflect a cohesive development capable of sustaining an independent environment of continuing quality and stability;

The design approved for the site will need additional refinement to adequately reflect a cohesive development of continuing quality and stability. The layout, internal circulation, and connectivity will be reviewed further at the time of PPS and DSP.

# (6) If the development is staged, each building phase is designed as a self-sufficient entity, while allowing for effective integration of subsequent phases;

The applicant has indicated in the SOJ that phasing this development is not anticipated.

## (7) The pedestrian system is convenient and is comprehensively designed to encourage pedestrian activity within the development;

This requirement will be evaluated in detail at the time of PPS and DSP. An illustrative plan submitted with the CSP shows sidewalks, adjacent to roadways, connecting to each part of the development.

(8) On the Detailed Site Plan, in areas of the development which are to be used for pedestrian activities or as gathering places for people, adequate attention has been paid to human scale, high quality urban design, and other amenities, such as the types and textures of materials, landscaping and screening, street furniture, and lighting (natural and artificial); and

This finding will be evaluated at the time of DSP.

(9) On a Conceptual Site Plan for property placed in the M-X-T Zone by a Sectional Map Amendment, transportation facilities that are existing; that are under construction; or for which one hundred percent (100%) of construction funds are allocated within the adopted County Capital Improvement Program, or the current State Consolidated Transportation Program, or will be provided by the applicant, will be adequate to carry anticipated traffic for the proposed development. The finding by the Council of adequate transportation facilities at the time of Conceptual Site Plan approval shall not prevent the Planning Board from later amending this finding during its review of subdivision plats.

This requirement is applicable to this CSP, as it was placed in the M-X-T Zone by a sectional map amendment; This property is located within Transportation Service Area 1, as defined in Plan 2035. As such, the site is evaluated according to the following standards:

**Links and Signalized Intersections:** Level-of-Service E, with signalized intersections operating at a critical lane volume (CLV) of 1,600 or better.

**Unsignalized Intersections:** For two-way stop-controlled intersections a three-part process is employed: (a) vehicle delay is computed in all movements using the Highway Capacity Manual (Transportation Research Board) procedure; (b) the maximum approach volume on the minor streets is computed if delay exceeds 50 seconds, (c) if delay exceeds 50 seconds and at least one approach volume exceeds 100, the CLV is computed.

For all-way stop-controlled intersections a two-part process is employed: (a) vehicle delay is computed in all movements using the *Highway Capacity Manual* (Transportation Research Board) procedure; (b) if delay exceeds 50 seconds, the CLV is computed.

#### **Trip Generation**

The applicant's trip generation summary considered 170 townhouse dwelling units. The table below summarizes trip generation in each peak hour that will be used in reviewing traffic and developing a trip cap for the site:

L and Usa	Use	se Matuia		AM Peak Hour			PM Peak Hour		
Land Use	Quantity Metri		In	Out	Total	In	Out	Total	
Townhouses (Prince George's County Rates)	170	Units	24	95	119	88	48	136	
Total Approved Trips			24	95	119	88	48	136	
Total New Trips (Trip Cap)					119			136	

The traffic generated by the approved CSP would impact the following intersections, and links in the transportation system:

- MD 202 (Landover Road) & SB I-495 Ramps (signalized)
- MD 202 (Landover Road) & Brightseat Road (signalized)
- MD 202 (Landover Road) & Barlowe Road (signalized)
- MD 202 (Landover Road) & 75th Avenue / Kent Town Place (signalized)
- Sheriff Road & Brightseat Road (signalized)
- Brightseat Road & Landover Crossing Shopping Center Driveway (unsignalized)

#### **Existing Traffic**

The following critical intersections, interchanges, and links identified above, when analyzed with existing traffic and existing lane configurations, operate as follows:

EXISTING TRAFFIC CONDITIONS						
Intersection	Critical Lane Volume (AM & PM)		Level-of-Service /Pass/Fail (AM & PM)			
Landover Road (MD 202) & SB I-495 Ramps	1234	1207	С	С		
Landover Road (MD 202) & Brightseat Road	835 1133		А	В		
Landover Road (MD 202) & Barlowe Road	Landover Road (MD 202) & Barlowe Road 823 1028		А	В		
Landover Road (MD 202) & 75th Avenue / Kent Town Place	rer Road (MD 202) & 75th Avenue / Kent Town Place 1123 1213		В	С		
Sheriff Road & Brightseat Road	592	671	А	А		
Brightseat Road & Landover Crossing Shopping Center (unsignalized) 33 s* 91 s* Pass Pass						
*In analyzing unsignalized intersections, average vehicle delay for various movements through the intersection is measured in seconds of vehicle delay. The numbers shown indicate the greatest average delay for any movement within the intersection. According to the Guidelines, delay exceeding 50.0 seconds indicates inadequate traffic operations. Values shown as "+999" suggest that the parameters are beyond the normal range of the procedure and shall be interpreted as a severe inadequacy.						

#### **Background Traffic:**

The traffic impact study identified one background development whose impact would affect study intersections. In addition, annual growths of one percent over six years were applied to the existing traffic volumes. The analysis revealed the following results:

BACKGROUND TRAFFIC CONDITIONS						
Intersection	Critical Lane Volume (AM & PM)		Level-of-Service /Pass/Fail (AM & PM)			
Landover Road (MD 202) & SB I-495 Ramps	1318	1298	D	С		
Landover Road (MD 202) & Brightseat Road	Landover Road (MD 202) & Brightseat Road 902 1241		А	С		
Landover Road (MD 202) & Barlowe Road 871		1089	А	В		
Landover Road (MD 202) & 75th Avenue / Kent Town Place		1298	С	С		
Sheriff Road & Brightseat Road		722	А	Α		
Brightseat Road & Landover Crossing Shopping Center (unsignalized) 46 s* 887 s* Pass Fail						
*In analyzing unsignalized intersections, average vehicle delay for various movements through the intersection is measured in seconds of vehicle delay. The numbers shown indicate the greatest average delay for any movement within the intersection. According to the Guidelines, delay exceeding 50.0 seconds indicates inadequate traffic operations. Values shown as "+999" suggest that the parameters are beyond the normal range of the procedure and shall be interpreted as a severe inadequacy.						

#### **Total Traffic**

In developed future condition, the number of northbound Brightseat Road left turn lanes at site access, and southbound Brightseat Road left turn lanes at Sheriff Road, are both planned to be reduced from two to one. The study intersections, when analyzed with total developed future traffic, operate as follows:

TOTAL TRAFFIC CONDITIONS						
Intersection	Critical Lar (AM &		Level-of-Service /Pass/Fail (AM & PM)			
Landover Road (MD 202) & SB I-495 Ramps	1323	1316	D	D		
Landover Road (MD 202) & Brightseat Road	922	1268	А	D		
Landover Road (MD 202) & Barlowe Road	880	1097	А	В		
Landover Road (MD 202) & 75th Avenue / Kent Town Place		1303	С	D		
Sheriff Road & Brightseat Road		731	А	А		
Brightseat Road & Site Access / Landover Crossing Shopping Center	93 s*	+999 s*	Fail	Fail		
(unsignalized)	481	708	А	А		
*In analyzing unsignalized intersections, average vehicle delay for various movements through the intersection is measured in seconds of vehicle delay. The numbers shown indicate the greatest average delay for any movement within the intersection. According to the Guidelines, delay exceeding 50.0 seconds indicates inadequate traffic operations. Values shown as "+999" suggest that the parameters are beyond the normal range of the procedure and shall be interpreted as a severe inadequacy.						

#### **Total Traffic with Improvements**

To reduce the delay time, Brightseat Road & Site Access/Landover Crossing Shopping Center intersection is approved to be converted to a signalized intersection. The traffic signal warrant analysis included in the traffic impact study demonstrates that a traffic signal is warranted. In fact, at the time this referral was prepared, traffic signals have been installed at the intersection, but have not been operational yet. The study intersections, when analyzed with total developed future traffic with the approved signalized intersection, operate as follows:

TOTAL TRAFFIC CONDITIONS WITH IMPROVEMENT CONDITIONS						
Intersection	Critical Lane Volume (AM & PM)		Level-of-Service /Pass/Fail (AM & PM)			
Landover Road (MD 202) & SB I-495 Ramps	1323	1316	D	D		
Landover Road (MD 202) & Brightseat Road	957	1309	А	D		
Landover Road (MD 202) & Barlowe Road	880	1097	А	В		
Landover Road (MD 202) & 75th Avenue / Kent Town Place	1202	1303	С	D		
Sheriff Road & Brightseat Road	695	779	А	А		
Brightseat Road & Site Access / Landover Crossing Shopping Center (signalized)	481	708	А	А		

Based on the findings and conclusions of the traffic impact study, the Planning Board concluded that existing transportation facilities, with additional improvements and analyses provided by the applicant, are sufficient to support the approved development and meets the requirements of Section 27-546(d)(9) of the prior Zoning Ordinance.

(10) On the Detailed Site Plan, if more than six (6) years have elapsed since a finding of adequacy was made at the time of rezoning through a Zoning Map Amendment, Conceptual Site Plan approval, or preliminary plat approval, whichever occurred last, the development will be adequately served within a reasonable period of time with existing or programmed public facilities shown in the adopted County Capital Improvement Program, within the current State Consolidated Transportation Program, or to be approved by the applicant.

This finding is not applicable because this application is a CSP; however, the finding will be evaluated at the time of DSP.

(11) On a property or parcel zoned E-I-A or M-X-T and containing a minimum of two hundred fifty (250) acres, a Mixed-Use Planned Community including a combination of residential, employment, commercial and institutional uses may be approved in accordance with the provisions set forth in this Section and Section 548.

The subject site contains only 22.15 acres and therefore does not meet the above acreage requirement. Furthermore, this CSP does not propose development of a mixed-use planned community. Therefore, this requirement is not applicable.

- d. The CSP is in conformance with the applicable site design guidelines contained in Section 27-274 of the prior Zoning Ordinance. The approved development concept provided townhouses and community amenities designed to front on roadways. A connected circulation system for vehicles and pedestrians is approved. Detailed designs of all buildings, site infrastructure, features, and streetscape amenities such as light fixtures, benches, trash receptacles, bicycle racks, and other street furniture will be further reviewed at the time of DSP.
- e. In accordance with Section 27-574 of the prior Zoning Ordinance, the number of parking spaces required in the M-X-T Zone is to be calculated by the applicant and submitted for Planning Board approval at the time of DSP. Detailed information regarding the methodology and procedures to be used in determining the parking ratio is outlined in Section 27 574(b) of the prior Zoning Ordinance. At the time of DSP review, demonstration of adequacy of the approved parking, including visitor parking and loading configurations, will be required for development. A condition is provided herein, that prior to acceptance of a DSP, the applicant shall submit a parking analysis to determine the parking rate for the approved development, which will examine the uses, in accordance with Section 27-574.
- 8. **Prince George's County Woodland and Wildlife Habitat Conservation Ordinance**: This site is subject to the provisions of the 2010 Prince George's County Woodland and Wildlife Habitat Conservation Ordinance (WCO) because the property is greater than 40,000 square feet in size and it contains more than 10,000 square feet of existing woodland. This application is also subject to the requirements of the Environmental Technical Manual (ETM). Type 1 Tree Conservation Plan TCP1-001-14-01 was submitted with this application and requires minor revisions to be found in conformance with the WCO.

Based on the TCP1 submitted with this CSP application, the site contains a total of 4.70 acres of woodlands and 3.42 acres of wooded floodplain for a total of 8.12 acres of existing woodlands. The site has a woodland conservation threshold of 17.11 percent, or 3.09 acres. The TCP1 proposed to clear 2.01 acres of woodland resulting in a total woodland conservation requirement of 3.88 acres. The woodland conservation requirement will be met with 2.92 acres of on-site preservation, 0.59-acre of reforestation, and a fee-in-lieu for 0.37 acre. There is a discrepancy between the existing woodland shown on the natural resources inventory (NRI) plan and the TCP1. The NRI plan shall be revised to identify the same existing woodland total as the TCP1. Technical revisions are required to the TCP1 prior to certification of the CSP in conformance with the conditions provided herein.

- 9. **Other site-related regulations**: Additional regulations are applicable to site plan review that usually require detailed information, which can only be provided at the time of DSP. The discussion provided below is for information only.
  - a. **2010 Prince George's County Landscape Manual**: Per Section 27-548, landscaping, screening, and buffering within the M-X-T Zone shall be provided pursuant to the provisions of the Landscape Manual. Specifically, the site is subject to the following sections of the Landscape Manual: Section 4.1, Residential Requirements; Section 4.2, Requirements for Landscape Strips along Streets; Section 4.4, Screening Requirements; Section 4.6, Buffering Development from Streets; Section 4.7, Buffering Incompatible Uses; Section 4.9, Sustainable Landscaping Requirements, and Section 4.10, Street Trees Along Private Roads.
  - b. **Prince George's County Tree Canopy Coverage Ordinance**: Subtitle 25, Division 3, the Tree Canopy Coverage Ordinance, requires a minimum percentage of tree canopy coverage (TCC) on projects that require a grading permit. Properties that are zoned M-X-T are required to provide a minimum of ten percent of the gross tract area in tree canopy. The subject property is 22.15 acres in size, resulting in a TCC requirement of 2.2 acres. Compliance with this requirement will be evaluated at the time of DSP.
- 10. **Referral Comments**: The subject application was referred to the concerned agencies and divisions. The referral comments are adopted herein by reference and main points are summarized, as follows:
  - a. **Historic Preservation**—The Planning Board has reviewed and adopts the memorandum dated November 16, 2022 (Stabler to Burke), and incorporated herein by reference, which concluded that the probability of archeological sites within this property is low and that a Phase I archeology survey was not recommended. Further, the memorandum indicates that this property does not contain, and is not adjacent to any Prince George's County historic sites or resources.
  - b. **Community Planning**—The Planning Board has reviewed and adopts the memorandum dated January 12, 2023 (Bellina to Burke), and incorporated herein by reference, which indicated that the application is in conformance with both the sector plan and Plan 2035. This application is also in conformance with the sector plan's land use recommendations. The following design principals were identified to be evaluated with the DSP:
    - (1) Design buildings to form a consistent street wall along the build-to line with all building entrances leading directly to the sidewalk.
    - (2) Include wide sidewalks and distinctive, visually appealing streetscape elements.
    - (3) Ensure buildings are not set back to provide a continuous street wall for pedestrians.

- (4) Use street grid patterns to create compact blocks of development.
- (5) Create a pedestrian-oriented environment that encourages walking and biking rather than driving, including providing direct access to all buildings from the public sidewalk.
- (6) Develop well-placed open space throughout the district to serve for formal and informal gatherings.
- c. **Subdivision**—The Planning Board has reviewed and adopts the memorandum dated January 6, 2023 (Vatandoost to Burke), and incorporated herein by reference, which provided an analysis of this application with the following comments:
  - (1) The property is located adjacent to A-31 (Brightseat Road), a master-planned arterial roadway. A Phase I noise study will be required with the PPS to demonstrate that any planned outdoor recreation areas and the residential dwelling units are not impacted by noise. While the CSP depicts the layout of dwelling units and location of on-site recreational facilities, these will be finalized at the time of DSP, at which time Phase II noise studies will be required. Mitigation will be required for all exterior noise-sensitive areas exposed to traffic noise levels above 65 dBA Ldn, to ensure traffic noise is reduced to not higher than that level. All dwellings exposed to noise levels above 65 dBA Ldn must achieve an interior noise level no higher than 45 dBA Ldn.
  - (2) The CSP proposes direct access to Brightseat Road, a master-planned arterial roadway. A variation from Section 24-121(a)(3) of the prior Prince George's County Subdivision Regulations will be required with the PPS to approve access to an arterial road.
  - (3) Pursuant to Section 24-121(a)(4) of the prior Subdivision Regulations, all residential lots and parcels adjacent to existing or planned arterial roadways shall be platted with a minimum depth of 150 feet. Otherwise, a variation from Section 24-121(a)(4) will be required at the time of PPS.
  - (4) The CSP identifies locations for the on-site recreational facilities. The adequacy of any on-site recreational facilities to satisfy Section 24-134 of the prior Subdivision Regulations, mandatory dedication of parkland requirement will be evaluated at the time of PPS and DSP. Recreational facilities shall include a mix of active and passive recreation, indoor and outdoor, for all seasons and age groups.
  - (5) The CSP approves two parcels for 170 single-family attached condominium dwelling units. The development is to be served by a network of private streets and alleys. The lotting and circulation pattern, and any required right-of-way dedication, will be reviewed further with the PPS application. Right-of-way

> widths for any private streets internal to the development will also be determined at the time of the PPS. General Note 18 on the CSP states that variable public utility easements (PUEs) are provided along all rights-of-way. The location of required PUEs along all public and private streets will be determined with the PPS and shall be in accordance with Sections 24-122(a) and 24-128(b)(12) of the prior Subdivision Regulations.

d. **Transportation Planning**—The Planning Board has reviewed and adopts the memorandum dated March 8, 2023 (Yang to Burke), and incorporated herein by reference, which provided an evaluation of the previous conditions of approval and conformance to the 2009 *Approved Countywide Master Plan of Transportation* (MPOT) and the sector plan, summarized herein:

The MPOT recommends the following facilities:

- Bike lanes: Sheriff Road and Brightseat Road
- Shared-use path: between Sheriff Road and Brightseat Road intersection and the northern boundary of the subject property

The MPOT provides policy guidance regarding multimodal transportation and the Complete Streets element of the MPOT recommends how to accommodate infrastructure for people walking and bicycling.

Policy 1: Provide standard sidewalks along both sides of all new road construction within the Developed and Developing Tiers.

Policy 2: All road frontage improvements and road capital improvement projects within the Developed and Developing Tiers shall be designed to accommodate all modes of transportation. Continuous sidewalks and on-road bicycle facilities should be included to the extent feasible and practical.

Policy 3: Small area plans within the Developed and Developing Tiers should identify sidewalk retrofit opportunities in order to provide safe routes to school, pedestrian access to mass transit, and more walkable communities.

Policy 4: Develop bicycle-friendly roadways in conformance with the latest standards and guidelines, including the 1999 AASHTO Guide for the Development of Bicycle Facilities.

Policy 5: Evaluate new development proposals in the Developed and Developing Tiers for conformance with the complete streets principles.

Policy 6: Work with the State Highway Administration and the Prince George's County Department of Public Works and Transportation to develop a complete streets policy to better accommodate the needs of all users within the right-of-way.

The sector plan also recommends wide sidewalks, improved lighting, on-road bicycle lanes, and pedestrian crosswalks at all intersecting streets on Brightseat Road. The policies related are:

Policy 1: Provide opportunities for residents to make some trips by walking or bicycling.

Policy 2: Incorporate appropriate pedestrian, bicycle, and transit-oriented design and transit-supporting design features in all new development within centers and corridor nodes.

Policy 3: Provide adequate pedestrian and bicycle linkages to schools, parks, recreation areas, commercial areas, and employment centers.

The latest CSP includes the master plan shared-use path, but does not show master plan bike lanes. The Planning Board requires that, prior to acceptance of a DSP, the applicant shall show the pedestrian circulation or approved sidewalk locations on the plan and provide bike lanes along the sections that abut the subject property, unless modified by the operating agency with written correspondence.

e. **Environmental Planning**—The Planning Board has reviewed and adopts the memorandum dated January 12, 2023 (Rea to Burke), and incorporated herein by reference, which provided an analysis of the application's conformance with the WCO, incorporated into Finding 9 above, along with the following summarized comments:

#### **Specimen Trees**

Section 25-122(b)(1)(G) of the Prince George's County Code requires that "Specimen trees, champion trees, and trees that are part of a historic site or are associated with a historic structure shall be preserved and the design shall either preserve the critical root zone of each tree in its entirety or preserve an appropriate percentage of the critical root zone in keeping with the tree's condition and the species' ability to survive construction as provided in the Technical Manual." The code, however, is not inflexible.

The authorizing legislation of the WCO is the Maryland Forest Conservation Act, which is codified under Title 5, subtitle 16 of the Natural Resources Article of the Maryland Code. Section 5-1611 of the Natural Resources Article requires the local jurisdiction to provide procedures for granting variances to the local forest conservation program. The variance criteria in the WCO are set forth in Section 25-119(d) of the County Code. Section 25-119(d)(4) of the County Code clarifies that variances granted under Subtitle 25 are not considered zoning variances.

The approved NRI identified a total of 25 specimen trees. The applicant hired an arborist after the submission of plans for this case to re-evaluate the specimen trees that would be impacted or removed by this development. The arborist determined that Specimen Tree 350 did not meet the definition of a specimen tree. The NRI plan shall be revised with the updated specimen tree information prior to certification of the TCP1. The following analysis is the review of the request to remove one specimen tree located on-site.

A Subtitle 25 variance was submitted for review with this application. The TCP1 shows the removal of Specimen Tree 349, which condition has been ranked as poor to fair.

#### SPECIMEN TREE SCHEDULE SUMMARY FOR ONE TREE APPROVED FOR REMOVAL ON TCP1-001-14-01

Specimen Tree #	Species	Condition	DBH (inches)	Reason for Removal	Applicant's Disposition
349	American Beech	Poor/Fair	36	Stormdrain Outfall	Remove

The removal of the one specimen tree requested is supported based on the findings below.

#### Evaluation

Section 25-119(d) contains six required findings [text in **bold** below] to be made before a variance to the WCO can be granted. An evaluation of this variance request, with respect to the required findings, is provided below.

## (A) Special conditions peculiar to the property have caused the unwarranted hardship.

In relation to other properties in the area, special conditions peculiar to the subject property causes an unwarranted hardship, if the applicant were required to retain the one specimen tree. The one tree requested for removal is in fair to poor condition. The majority of specimen trees on-site are considered fair to good. Those "special conditions" relate to the specimen trees themselves, such as their size, condition, species, and on-site location.

The property is 22.15 acres, and the TCP1 shows approximately 7.39 acres of primary management area (PMA) comprised of streams, floodplain, wetlands, and associated buffers. This represents approximately one third of the overall site area. The application is preserving the site's PMA, to the fullest extent practicable, and contains woodland conservation and afforestation to further protect the PMA.

> This site contains steep slopes which further restricts the development potential. The specimen trees have grown to size across the property as a whole. Complete retention of this tree limits the developable area of the site.

The approved use, as residential development, is a reasonable use for the mixed-use zoned site and it cannot be accomplished elsewhere on the site without additional variances. Development cannot occur on the portions of the site containing regulated environmental features and PMA, which limit the site area available for development. The one specimen tree approved for removal is identified as an American Beech, which has poor construction tolerance and is in poor to fair condition. If this tree was retained, the tree could become hazardous due to the stresses imposed by construction. Requiring the applicant to retain the one specimen tree on the site by designing the development to avoid impacts to the critical root zones would further limit the area of the site available for development to the extent that it would cause the applicant an unwarranted hardship.

### (B) Enforcement of these rules will deprive the applicant of rights commonly enjoyed by others in similar areas.

Enforcement of the requirement that all specimen trees be preserved, along with an appropriate percentage of their critical root zones, deprives the applicant of rights commonly enjoyed by others in similar areas. All variance applications for the removal of specimen trees are evaluated in accordance with the requirements of Subtitle 25 and the ETM for site specific conditions. Specimen trees grow to such a large size because they have been left undisturbed on a site for sufficient time to grow; however, the species, size, construction tolerance, and location on a site are all somewhat unique for each site.

Based on the location and species of the specimen tree approved for removal, retaining the tree and avoiding disturbance to the critical root zone would have a considerable impact on the development potential of the property. If similar trees were encountered on other sites, they would be evaluated under the same criteria. The approved residential development is a use that aligns with the uses permitted in the M-X-T Zone. The specimen tree to be removed is located within the proximity of a stormdrain outfall as needed infrastructure for the development of this site.

## (C) Granting the variance will not confer on the applicant a special privilege that would be denied to other applicants.

Not granting the variance prevents the project from being developed in a functional and efficient manner. This is not a special privilege that would be denied to other applicants. If other similar developments featured regulated environmental features and specimen trees in similar conditions and locations, it

would be given the same considerations during the review of the required variance application.

## (D) The request is not based on conditions or circumstances, which are the result of actions by the applicant.

The existing site conditions or circumstances, including the location of the specimen trees, are not the result of actions by the applicant. Removal of the one specimen tree is the result of the installation of a stormdrain outfall, infrastructure required for the development. The specimen tree approved for removal is an American Beech, which has poor construction tolerances. Retaining this tree during development could result in hazardous situations. Removal of the tree is solely based on the tree's location on the site, the species, and its condition.

## (E) The request does not arise from a condition relating to land or building use, either permitted or nonconforming, on a neighboring property.

There are no existing conditions relating to land or building uses on the site, or on neighboring properties, which have any impact on the location or size of the specimen trees. The trees have grown to specimen tree size based on natural conditions and have not been impacted by any neighboring land or building uses.

#### (F) Granting of the variance will not adversely affect water quality.

Granting this variance request does not violate state water quality standards nor cause measurable degradation in water quality. Requirements regarding stormwater management (SWM) will be reviewed and approved by the Prince George's County Department of Permitting, Inspections, and Enforcement (DPIE). Erosion and sediment control requirements are reviewed and approved by the Prince George's Soil Conservation District. Both SWM and sediment and erosion control requirements are to be met in conformance with state and local laws, to ensure that the quality of water leaving the site meets the state's standards. State standards are set to ensure that no degradation occurs.

#### Conclusion

The required findings of Section 25-119(d) have been adequately addressed for the removal of one specimen tree, identified as Specimen Tree 349.

The Planning Board approved the requested variance for the removal of one specimen tree for construction of a residential development.

#### Preservation of Regulated Environmental Features/Primary Management Area

The site contains regulated environmental features, including streams, stream buffers, wetlands, wetland buffers, and steep slopes, which comprise the PMA.

Section 27-273(e)(15) of the prior Zoning Ordinance requires that CSP applications include "A statement of justification describing how the proposed design preserves and restores the regulated environmental features to the fullest extent possible."

Section 27-276(b)(4) of the prior Zoning Ordinance states that for all CSP applications "The plan shall demonstrate the preservation and/or restoration of the regulated environmental features in a natural state to the fullest extent possible in accordance with the requirement of Subtitle 24-130(b)(5)."

Section 24-130(b)(5) of the prior Subdivision Regulations states "Where a property is located outside the Chesapeake Bay Critical Areas Overlay Zones the preliminary plan and all plans associated with the subject application shall demonstrate the preservation and/or restoration of regulated environmental features in a natural state to the fullest extent possible consistent with the guidance provided by the Environmental Technical Manual established by Subtitle 25. Any lot with an impact shall demonstrate sufficient net lot area where a net lot area is required pursuant to Subtitle 27, for the reasonable development of the lot outside the regulated feature. All regulated environmental features shall be placed in a conservation easement and depicted on the final plat."

Impacts to the regulated environmental features shall be limited to those that are necessary for the development of the property. Necessary impacts are those that are directly attributable to infrastructure required for the reasonable use, and orderly and efficient development of the subject property, or are those that are required by the County Code for reasons of health, safety, or welfare. Necessary impacts include, but are not limited to, adequate sanitary sewerage lines and water lines, road crossings for required street connections, and outfalls for SWM facilities. Road crossings of streams and/or wetlands may be appropriate if placed at the location of an existing crossing or at the point of least impact to the regulated environmental features. SWM outfalls may also be considered necessary impacts if the site has been designed to place the outfall at a point of least impact. The types of impacts that can be avoided include those for site grading, building placement, parking, SWM facilities (not including outfalls), and road crossings where reasonable alternatives exist. The cumulative impacts for the development of a property shall be the fewest necessary and sufficient to reasonably develop the site in conformance with the County Code. Impacts to regulated environmental features must first be avoided and then minimized.

A letter of justification (LOJ) and exhibits for PMA impacts were provided with the SDRC submittal of this application. A revised LOJ was submitted January 6, 2023. This LOJ identifies seven impacts. The seven approved impacts are for construction of two stormdrain outfalls, two for slope stabilization efforts, one for a sanitary outfall connection, one for soil stabilization efforts, and one for non-woody buffer establishment. The approved on-site impacts total approximately 0.79 acre. A detailed summary of each impact is below.

#### **Stormdrain Outfalls Impacts**

Two areas of impact are proposed for an approximate total of 13,594 square feet (0.31 acre) of permanent impacts for the installation of two stormdrain outfalls. These impacts cannot be avoided because they are required by other provisions of the County and state codes.

These impacts are supported, as proposed.

#### **Slope Stabilization Impacts**

Two areas of impact are approved, for an approximate total of 10,032 square feet (0.23 acre) of temporary impacts. One impact, located in the northwestern portion of the property, is for mitigation of an eroded condition caused by the existing gravel surface parking lot. The second impact, located in the southwestern portion of the property, is for the mitigation to remove an existing drainage pipe to allow the installation of a 100-year attenuation facility. The applicant proposes to replant these areas upon completion of the work.

These impacts were supported.

#### **Sanitary Outfall Impacts**

This one permanent impact is for installation of a sanitary outfall to the manhole in Sheriff Road, east of the intersection with Brightseat Road, which results in approximately 2,156 square feet (0.05 acre) of PMA impact.

This impact was supported.

#### **Soil Stabilization Impacts**

This one impact proposes approximately 341 square feet (0.01acre) of impacts to implement soil stability measures. The scope of work is limited to the crest of the slope on the west side of the man-made swale along Brightseat Road and is based on the recommendations of a global stability analysis, which calls for limited undercutting and placement of a stone buttress.

This impact was supported.

#### Non-Woody Buffer Establishment Impacts

These impacts, which are in two areas and shown in exhibits 4 and 7, are for the establishment of a required non-woody buffer to the 100-year attenuation pond for a disturbance of approximately 8,125 square feet (0.19 acre). These impacts can be avoided, if the pond is repositioned.

This impact was not supported because the grading for the non-woody buffer can be designed to avoid impacts to the PMA by shifting the location of the pond.

#### Soils

The predominant soils found to occur according to the United States Department of Agriculture Natural Resource Conservation Service Web Soil Survey include the Christiana-Downer-Urban land complex, Croom-Urban land complex, Russett-Christiana-Urban land complex, Urban land-Collington-Wist complex, and Zekiah and Issue soils, frequently flooded. According to available mapping information, unsafe soils containing Marlboro clay do not occur on this property. However, Christiana clay, which is considered an unsafe soil, is present on-site. This information is provided for the applicant's benefit.

A geotechnical report and slope stability analysis was submitted with this application and reviewed by the Commission's Geotechnical expert. The 1.5 factor safety line is correctly shown on the TCP1; however, the 25-foot setback line is not being shown on the plan. Prior to certification of the CSP, the TCP1 shall be revised to show the 25-foot setback line from the 1.5 Safety Factor Line.

#### **Stormwater Management**

An unapproved Site Development Concept Plan, 46784-2021, was submitted with the current application. Submittal of an approved site development concept letter and plan will be required for subsequent development review applications. No further information pertaining to stormwater management was required.

- f. **Prince George's County Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR)**—The Planning Board has reviewed and adopts the memorandum dated January 9, 2023 (Thompson to Burke), and incorporated herein by reference, which provided an evaluation of the mandatory dedication of parkland by providing on-site recreation, including master plan trails. An exhibit was also provided and included in the backup for this application.
- g. **Prince George's County Department of Permitting, Inspections and Enforcement** (**DPIE**)—The Planning Board has reviewed and adopts the memorandum dated December 14, 2022, and incorporated herein by reference, which offered a review of roadway, trail, and bike lane requirements for this site.
- h. **Prince George's County Fire/EMS Department**—The Fire Department did not offer comments on this application.
- i. **Prince George's County Police Department** The Police Department did not offer comments on this application.
- j. **Prince George's County Health Department**—The Planning Boad has reviewed and adopts the memorandum dated November 30, 2022, and incorporated herein by reference, which provided comments relating to public health and wellbeing.
- 11. As required by Section 27-276(b)(1) of the prior Zoning Ordinance, if revised as conditioned provided herein, the CSP represents a reasonable alternative for satisfying the site design

guidelines without requiring unreasonable costs and without detracting substantially from the utility of the development for its intended use.

12. Section 27-276(b)(4) requires that, for approval of a CSP, the regulated environmental features on-site have been preserved and/or restored in a natural state, to the fullest extent possible, in accordance with the requirements of Section 24 130(b)(5). The Planning Board has reviewed and adopts the Environmental Planning Section memorandum (Rea to Burke, January 12, 2023), in which it found the impacts are for construction of stormdrain outfalls, to stabilize slopes, install a sanitary outfall, stabilize soil on-site, and to provide a non-woody buffer to a SWM facility. All the impacts, except for the non-woody buffer impacts, which are part of Impacts 4 and 7, were supported.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that pursuant to Subtitle 27 of the Prince George's County Code, the Prince George's County Planning Board of The Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission adopted the findings contained herein and APPROVED Type 1 Tree Conservation Plan TCP1-001-14-01 and APPROVED a Variance to Section 25-122(b)(1)(G), and further APPROVED Conceptual Site Plan CSP-13006-01 for the above-described land, subject to the following conditions:

- 1. Prior to certification of approval of the conceptual site plan (CSP), the following revisions shall be made, or information shall be provided:
  - a. Correct the acreage of the site to be consistent on all plans.
  - b. Provide the gross floor area in the general notes.
  - c. Provide a floor area ratio table on the CSP.
  - d. Revise the natural resources inventory to correct the Site Statistics Table and the specimen tree information.
  - e. Revise the Type 1 tree conservation plan (TCP1) as follows:
    - (1) Show the 25-foot setback line from the 1.5 Safety Factor Line.
    - (2) Revise the information on the TCP1 Site Statistic Table with the data on the revised natural resources inventory plan.
    - (3) Add the standard Subtitle 25 variance note under the Specimen Tree Table or Woodland Conservation Worksheet, identifying with specificity the variance decision consistent with the decision of the Prince George's County Planning Board:

"NOTE: This plan is in accordance with the following variance(s) from the strict requirements of Section 25-122(b)(1)(G) as approved by the

Planning Board on (ADD DATE) with CSP-13006-01 for the removal of the following specimen tree: 349."

- (4) Revise the CSP and TCP1 to remove the primary management area impacts for the stormwater management pond non-woody buffer.
- (5) Enhance the Limit of Disturbance line, so it is easier to read.
- 2. At the time of detailed site plan (DSP):
  - a. The following design criteria shall be addressed:
    - (1) The applicant shall use full cut-off light fixtures to prevent light trespass and direct the pattern of light pooling on-site.
    - (2) The applicant shall consider setting aside space for a community garden.
    - (3) Parking lots shall generally be provided to the rear or sides of structures, to the extent feasible.
    - (4) The development shall be designed and organized to create cohesively designed building groups along the interior roads extending from Brightseat Road and connecting to Parcel 56 to the north. The buildings shall have a strong relationship with each other, as well as the internal road. The buildings shall also be organized to provide quality public spaces, with pedestrian connections that will provide a pleasant outdoor setting for the residents.
    - (5) Streetscape details, crosswalks, lighting, curb ramps, splitter island locations, pedestrian safety symbols, and pedestrian safety signage shall be delineated on the DSP, as applicable.
    - (6) Well-articulated architectural façades, including appropriate massing, quality building materials, and pedestrian-scaled detailing shall be included for all residential and recreational buildings in the DSP.
    - (7) All architectural elevations that are visible from Brightseat Road and Sheriff Road shall have enhanced architectural design to include, but not be limited to, high-quality materials such as brick, stone, and stucco, or other masonry materials of equivalent quality, ornamentation, varying roof lines, and balanced fenestration.
    - (8) Front elevations of residential units shall be oriented toward the internal road extending from the main entrance to the site, Brightseat Road, and Sheriff Road to the extent feasible. Side elevations of the highly visible units from the internal road extending from the main entrance to the site, Brightseat Road, or Sheriff

Road shall be designed with the same attention to detail as the front elevation by providing enhanced architectural design such as ornamentation, varying rooflines, balanced fenestration, and siding consisting of a combination of brick, stone, stucco, or other masonry materials of equivalent quality.

- (9) A cohesive relationship shall be created between the residential and recreational components by using similar architectural, signage, landscape, and paving elements throughout the development.
- b. Submit a parking analysis to determine the parking rate for the development, which examines the uses, in accordance with Section 27-574 of the prior Prince George's County Zoning Ordinance.
- c. Submit a bicycle and pedestrian plan which displays the details, locations, and extent of the following facilities:
  - (1) Marked bicycle lanes along the subject property's frontage of Brightseat Road and Sheriff Road, unless modified by the operating agency with written correspondence.
  - (2) Pedestrian circulation or the sidewalk locations on the plans.
  - (3) A shared-use path that meets the 2012 American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials (AASHTO) Guide for the Development of Bicycle Facilities and the operating agencies' requirements.
- d. The following issues, regarding the on-site recreational facilities, shall be addressed:
  - (1) The applicant and the applicant's heirs, successors, and/or assignees, shall provide on-site private recreational facilities in accordance with the standards outlined in the Park and Recreation Facilities Guidelines. The recreational facility submission shall provide information evaluating the feasibility of providing pedestrian and bicycle connections to the existing Prince George's Sports and Learning Complex. The private recreational facilities shall be reviewed by the Urban Design Section of the Development Review Division of the Prince George's County Planning Department, for adequacy and property siting, prior to approval of the DSP by the Prince George's County Planning Board.
  - (2) The applicant shall demonstrate to the Prince George's County Planning Board that the on-site private recreational facilities will be properly developed and maintained to the benefit of future residents through covenants, a recreational facilities agreement, or other appropriate means and that such instrument is legally binding upon the applicant and the applicant's heirs, successors, and/or assignees.

- (3) The applicant shall submit three (3) original executed private recreational facilities agreements (RFAs), for the private recreational facilities on-site, to the Development Review Division (DRD) of the Prince George's County Planning Department, for their approval three weeks prior to a submission of a final plat. Upon approval by DRD, the RFA shall be recorded among the land records of Prince George's County.
- (4) The applicant shall submit to the Development Review Division (DRD) of the Prince George's County Planning Department a performance bond, letter of credit, or other suitable financial guarantee in an amount to be determined by DRD, within at least two weeks prior to applying for building permits. The applicant and the applicant's heirs, successors, and/or assignees shall demonstrate to the satisfaction of the Prince George's County Planning Board that there are adequate provisions to assure retention and future maintenance of the recreational facilities.
- 3. Prior to issuance of permits for this subdivision:
  - a. A Type 2 tree conservation plan shall be approved.
  - b. The applicant shall submit an approved stormwater management concept plan and approval letter.
  - c. The following transportation improvements shall (a) have full financial assurances, (b) have been permitted for construction through the operating agency's access permit process, and (c) have an agreed-upon timetable for construction with the appropriate operating agency.
    - (1) Install or verify that traffic signals are operational at Brightseat Road and Site Access/Landover Crossing Shopping Center intersection, unless modified by the operating agency with written correspondence.
- 4. Prior to issuance of any permits, which impact wetlands, wetland buffers, streams, or waters of the United States, the applicant shall submit copies of all federal and state wetland permits, evidence that approval conditions have been complied with, and associated mitigation plans.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appeal of the Planning Board's action must be filed with the District Council of Prince George's County within thirty (30) days following the final notice of the Planning Board's decision.

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This is to certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the action taken by the Prince George's County Planning Board of The Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission on the motion of Commissioner Washington, seconded by Commissioner Geraldo, with Commissioners Washington, Geraldo, and Shapiro voting in favor of the motion, and with Commissioners Bailey and Doerner absent at its regular meeting held on Thursday, March 30, 2023, in Upper Marlboro, Maryland.

Adopted by the Prince George's County Planning Board this 6th day of April 2023.

Peter A. Shapiro Chairman

Jessica Jones Jessica Jones

By

Planning Board Administrator

PAS:JJ:TB:jah

APPROVED AS TO LEGAL SUFFICIENCY



David S. Warner M-NCPPC Legal Department Date: April 5, 2023