# REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Agenda Date: 5/23/2016

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Item Description: Request for approval to rezone the property at 1415 County Road B from

High Density Residential-1 District to High Density Residential-2 District

(PF16-006)

#### **APPLICATION INFORMATION**

Applicant: Evangelical Lutheran Good Samaritan Society

Location: Planning District 14 – generally south of Highway 36, west of

Lexington Avenue, north of Larpenteur Avenue, and east of Snelling Avenue. The subject parcel is located in the southwest corner of Albert Street and County Road B, directly adjacent to TCF Bank and

the Rose Mall Apartments

Property Owner: same

Open House Meeting: held on January 14, 2016

Application Submission: received on February 5, 2016; considered complete on March 28,

2016, after acceptance of final traffic study.

City Action Deadline: rezoning: May 27, 2016, per Minn. Stat. §15.99

GENERAL SITE INFORMATION				
Land Use Context				
	Existing Land Use Guiding Zoning			
Site	undeveloped	HR	HDR-1	
North Multi-family residential, attached – Rosemall Apartments		HR	HDR-1	
West Commercial – TCF Bank		СВ	СВ	
East	One-family residential, attached	LR	LDR-1	
South	One-family residential, detached	LR	LDR-1	

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- 2 Natural Characteristics: The site is generally flat and
- 3 includes some mature trees.
- 4 Planning File History: none

#### LEVEL OF CITY DISCRETION IN DECISION-MAKING

- 6 Action taken on a proposed zoning change is **legislative** in
- 7 nature; the City has broad discretion in making land use
- 8 decisions based on advancing the health, safety, and general
- 9 welfare of the community.

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#### PROPOSAL OVERVIEW

The applicant proposes to rezone the parcel from High-Density Residential-1 (HDR-1) to High-

Plan Review

Conditional Use

Subdivision Zoning/Subdivision

Comprehensive Plan

- Density Residential-2 (HDR-2) to allow construction of a 62-unit, 3-story senior living facility.
- The project narrative and conceptual site plan are included with this report as Attachment D.
- When exercising the City's legislative authority on a rezoning request, the role of the City is to
- review the proposal for its merits and to evaluate the potential impacts to the public health,
- safety, and general welfare of the community. If a rezoning request is found to be consistent with
- the Comprehensive Plan and is otherwise a desirable proposal, the City may still deny the
- rezoning request if the proposal fails to promote the public health, safety, and general welfare.

#### REZONING ANALYSIS

- The subject property is guided by the Comprehensive Plan for High-Density Residential (HR)
- land uses. This use generally allows multi-family housing types (such as apartments, lofts, flats,
- and stacked townhomes) and accommodates an overall density greater than 12 units per acre.
- 23 The proposed HDR-2 District was established to facilitate development consistent with the HR
- 24 designation by providing:

25 An environment of predominantly high-density housing types, including manufactured-

- 26 home communities, large and small multi-family buildings, and single-family attached
- 27 dwellings at an overall density exceeding 12 units per acre, along with related uses such
- as public services and utilities that serve the residents in the district. The district is
- intended to promote flexible development standards for new residential developments and
- to allow innovative development patterns, consistent with the Comprehensive Plan. City
- 31 *Code §1004.11*

The applicant's proposal to rezone to HDR-2 is predicated on a 62-unit senior housing project

- that includes a mix of one-bedroom (60%) and two-bedroom (40%) units within a roughly 35-
- foot-tall building. Under the HDR-1 classification, the 1.79 acre site supports a maximum of 43
- units (24 units/acre x 1.79 acres), while the HDR-2 classification has a minimum density of 24
- units per acre and no maximum density limit. The proposal by Good Samaritan Society proposal
- calculates at 34.5 units per acre.
- Unlike other processes that the City considers, a rezoning request cannot place a condition on the
- rezoning request that limits the future development of the parcel to that which the applicant has
- 40 indicated. In instances where a high density residential development is proposed, the City often
- studies the potential traffic to be generated, because a change in the zoning would allow Good
- Samaritan or another developer the ability to maximize the site's density potential assuming all

- requirements of the City Code can be met. In the case of the Good Samaritan proposal, SRF
  Consulting Group was hired by the Public Works Department to study two scenarios:
  - 1. The proposed 62-unit senior housing project.

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- 2. 250 units, which is deemed the maximum number of units a developer could construct on the site given City design standard limitations.
- According to the traffic study (Attachment C), overall operations at all intersections in the study area will operate under the acceptable level of service A (LOS), and no roadway network improvements are necessary for the 62-unit development. If the higher density residential scenario is developed, Ramsey County would consider adding a right-turn lane at Albert Street for west bound traffic on County Road B since this turning movement increases. A shared access to the existing Rose Mall apartments should also be considered to reduce conflict points.
- HDR-1 and HDR-2 districts were created as two exclusive zoning districts that are compatible with the HR designation in the Comprehensive Plan. Planning Division staff, therefore, finds that the proposed rezoning is consistent with the guidance of the Comprehensive Plan.
- The required open house meeting for this proposal was held by the applicant on January 14, 2016. A summary of the discussion at the meeting is included with this report in Attachment E.

#### PUBLIC COMMENT AND PLANNING COMMISSION ACTION

- On May 4, 2016, the Roseville Planning Commission held the duly noticed public hearing requested by Good Samaritan Society. At the hearing two citizens addressed the Commission indicating their support for both the rezoning and the proposed affordable senior housing project.
- Planning Commissioners asked several questions of staff pertaining to the difference of HDR-1 to HDR-2, specifically the increase in density, building height, and structure placement on the property. City Planner Paschke indicated that the HDR-2 standards required increased setback for more impactful projects and that the Code also required that the structure be placed near the intersecting streets.
- The Planning Commission voted 7-0 to recommend approval of the rezoning of 1415 County Road B PIN 10-29-23-34-0006 from HDR-1 to HDR-2 based on the comments and findings of the project report dated May 4, 2016. The minutes extract can be found on Attachment F.

#### RECOMMENDED CITY COUNCIL ACTIONS

- **a.** Adopt an Ordinance rezoning the property addressed at 1415 County Road B from High Density Residential-1 District to High Density Residential-2 District.
- **b.** Pass a motion to table the application for future action. Tabling the rezoning would require extension of the 60-day action deadline established in Minn. Stat. 15.99.
- **c. By motion, recommend denial of the request.** A recommendation to deny the application should be supported by specific findings of fact based on the Planning Commission's review of the application, applicable City Code regulations, and the public record.

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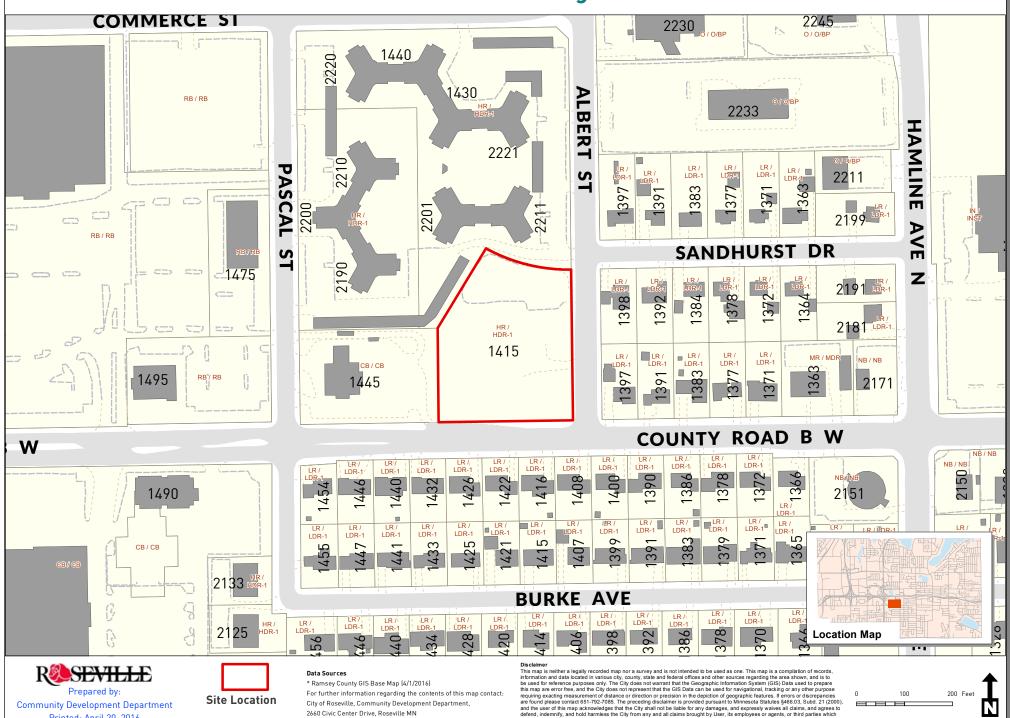
Attachments: A: Area map

B: Aerial photo

C: Traffic study

- D: Concept plan and narrativeE: Open house information and public commentF: Draft PC minutes
- G: Draft ordinance

# **Attachment A for Planning File 16-006**



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# **Attachment B for Planning File 16-006**





Prepared by: Community Development Department Printed: April 28, 2016



- \* Ramsey County GIS Base Map (4/2/2016)
- \* Aerial Data: Surdex (4/2015)

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## **Memorandum**

SRF No. 0169170

**To:** Jesse Freihammer PE

City Engineer/Assistant Public Works Director

City of Roseville

**From:** Emily Gross, PE, Senior Engineer

Matt Pacyna PE, Senior Associate

**Date:** March 30, 2016

**Subject:** County Road B Traffic Study

#### Introduction

As requested, SRF has completed a traffic study for a proposed senior housing development located in the northwest quadrant of the County Road B/Albert Street intersection in the City of Roseville (see Figure 1: Project Location). This study will evaluate the trip generation and traffic impacts associated with two land use scenarios: the proposed senior housing and the maximum allowed for high-density residential. The main objectives of the study are to review existing operations, evaluate potential traffic impacts of the development scenarios, and recommend improvements to ensure safe and efficient operations. The following information provides the assumptions, analysis, and study recommendations offered for consideration.

# **Existing Conditions**

The existing conditions were reviewed to establish a baseline to compare and determine any future impacts associated with the proposed expansion/development. The evaluation of existing conditions includes peak hour intersection turning movement counts, field observations and an intersection capacity analysis.

#### **Data Collection**

Weekday a.m. and p.m. peak period intersection turning movement and pedestrian/bicyclist counts were collected at the following study intersections on Tuesday, February 23, 2016 and Wednesday, February 24, 2016.

- County Road B/Albert Street
- Albert Street/Sandhurst Drive \*
- Albert Street/Commerce Street \*

Note: 30-minute pulse counts were conducted at these locations to understand general travel patterns. Traffic volumes were adjusted to reflect peak hour conditions.





# **Project Location**

County Road B Traffic Study Roseville, MN

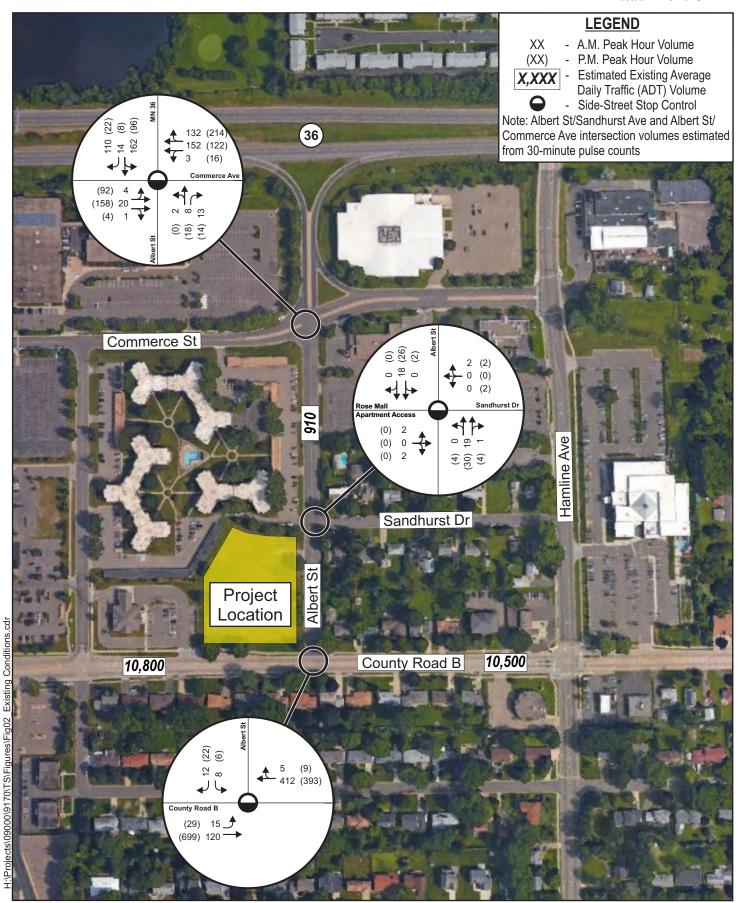
Observations were completed to identify roadway characteristics within the study area (i.e. roadway geometry, posted speed limits, and traffic controls). Currently, County Road B is a three-lane roadway with a two-way left-turn lane (TWLTL) with a posted speed limit of 35 miles per hour (mph). Albert Street is a four lane undivided roadway with a speed limit of 30 mph. Commerce Street is a two lane undivided roadway west of Albert Street and a four lane divided roadway east of Albert Street and has a speed limit of 30 mph. Sandhurst Drive is a two lane undivided roadway with a speed limit of 30 mph. All study intersections are unsignalized with side-street stop control. Existing geometrics traffic controls, and traffic volumes are shown in Figure 2.

#### **Intersection Operations Analysis**

An operations analysis was conducted to determine how traffic is currently operating at the study intersections. All intersections were analyzed using Synchro/SimTraffic and the Highway Capacity Manual (HCM). Capacity analysis results identify a Level of Service (LOS) which indicates how well an intersection is operating. Intersections are ranked from LOS A through LOS F. The LOS results are based on average delay per vehicle results from SimTraffic, which correspond to the delay threshold values shown in Table 1. LOS A indicates the best traffic operation and LOS F indicates an intersection where demand exceeds capacity. Overall intersection LOS A through D is generally considered acceptable by drivers in the Twin Cities Metropolitan Area.

Table 1. Level of Service Criteria for Signalized and Unsignalized Intersections

LOS Designation	Signalized Intersection Average Delay/Vehicle (seconds)	Unsignalized Intersection Average Delay/Vehicle (seconds)
А	≤ 10	≤ 10
В	> 10 - 20	> 10 - 15
С	> 20 - 35	> 15 - 25
D	> 35 - 55	> 25 - 35
E	> 55 - 80	> 35 - 50
F	> 80	> 50





For side-street stop controlled intersections, special emphasis is given to providing an estimate for the level of service of the side-street approach. Traffic operations at an unsignalized intersection with side-street stop control can be described in two ways. First, consideration is given to the overall intersection level of service. This takes into account the total number of vehicles entering the intersection and the capability of the intersection to support these volumes.

Second, it is important to consider the delay on the minor approach. Since the mainline does not have to stop, the majority of delay is attributed to the side-street approaches. It is typical of intersections with higher mainline traffic volumes to experience high levels of delay (poor levels of service) on the side-street approaches, but an acceptable overall intersection level of service during peak hour conditions.

Results of the existing operations analysis shown in Table 2 indicate that all study intersections currently operate at an acceptable overall LOS A during the a.m. and p.m. peak hours with the existing traffic control and geometric layout. No significant side-street delays or queuing issues were observed in the field or the traffic simulation at the study intersections. However, it should be noted that eastbound queues from the County Road B/Hamline Avenue intersection were observed to extend beyond Albert Street two times during the p.m. peak hour. This queuing was accounted for as part of the intersection capacity analysis.

Table 2. Existing Peak Hour Capacity Analysis

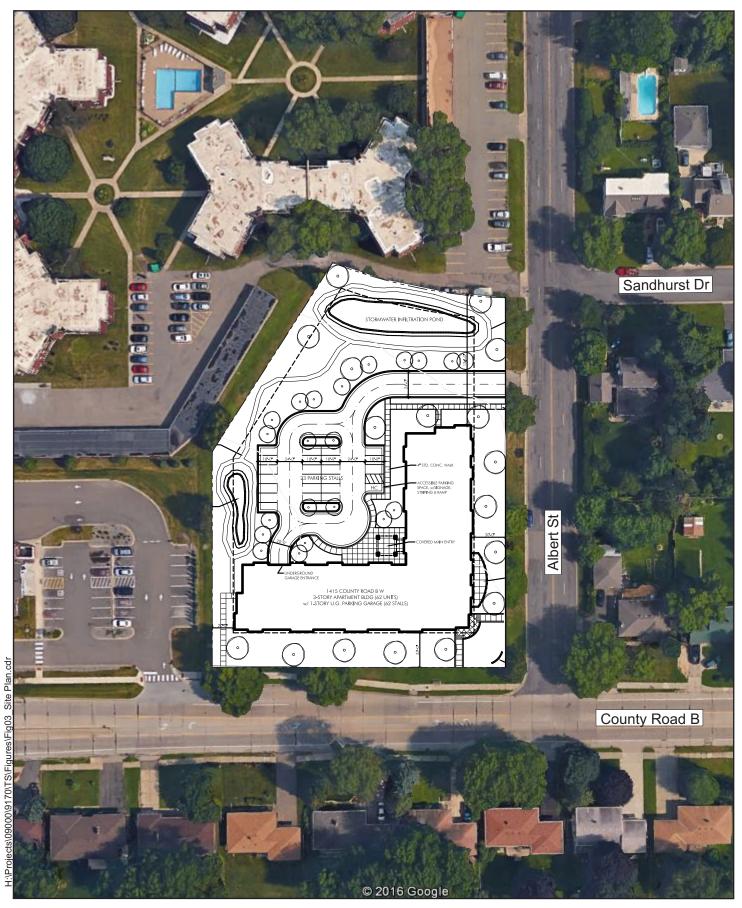
Intersection	A.M.	Peak	P.M. Peak	
Intersection	LOS	Delay	LOS	Delay
County Road B/Albert Street (1)	A/B	11 Sec.	A/B	12 Sec.
Albert Street/Sandhurst Drive (1)	A/A	9 Sec.	A/A	9 Sec.
Albert Street/Commerce Street (1)	A/B	12 Sec.	A/C	18 Sec.

<sup>(1)</sup> Indicates an unsignalized intersection with side-street stop control, where the overall LOS is shown followed by the worst approach LOS. The delay shown represents the worst side-street approach delay.

## **Proposed Development**

The proposed development is located in the northwest quadrant of the County Road B/Albert Street intersection. The project area is 1.79 acres and is planning to have direct access to Albert Street approximately 75 feet south of Sandhurst Drive, as shown in Figure 3. As currently proposed, the development includes a 62-unit senior housing apartment complex.

The site was evaluated based on two land use scenarios. Once scenario includes the proposed senior housing development, while the other scenario includes the maximum allowable size based on the high-density residential (HDR-2) zoning. Based on the City of Roseville Comprehensive Plan and discussion with City staff, the maximum number of dwelling units assumed for the property was 250 units.





#### **Traffic Forecasts**

The proposed development is expected to be constructed in the year 2017. Therefore, traffic forecasts were developed for year 2018 build conditions (one year after construction). To account for general background growth in the area, an annual growth rate of one-half percent was applied to the existing peak hour traffic volumes to develop year 2018 background traffic forecasts. This growth rate is consistent with historical traffic growth in the area.

Trip generation estimates for the weekday a.m. and p.m. peak hours and a daily basis were developed using the *ITE Trip Generation Manual, 9th Edition* for the two land use scenarios. Results of the trip generation estimates, shown in Table 3, indicate that Scenario 1 (senior housing apartment) is expected to generate 12 a.m. peak hour, 15 p.m. peak hour, and 213 daily trips. Scenario 2 (maximum high-density residential) is expected to generate 128 a.m. peak hour, 155 p.m. peak hour and 1,663 daily trips.

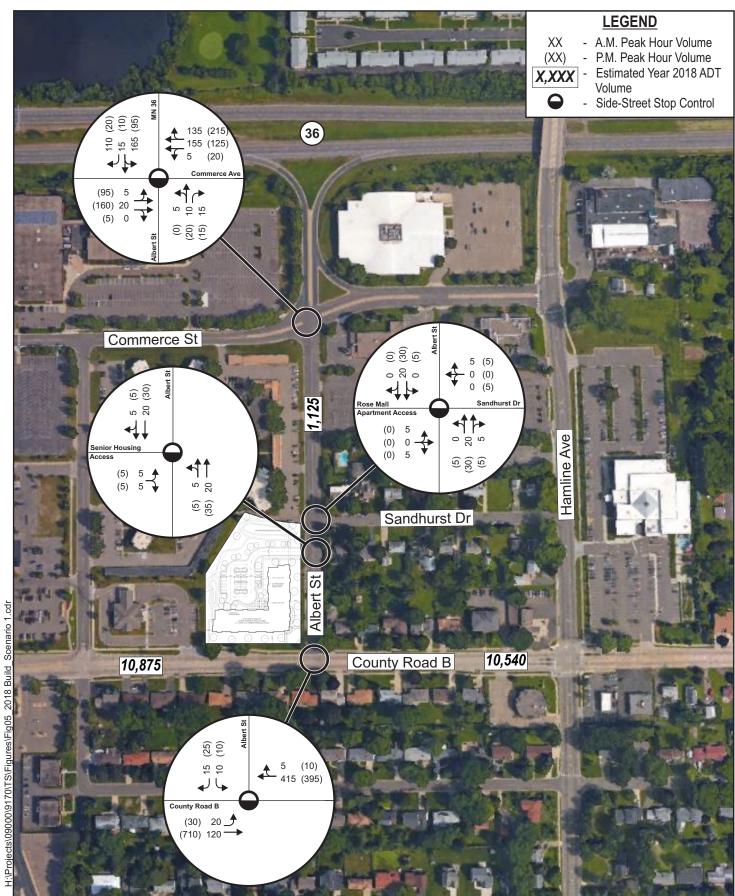
**Table 3. Trip Generation Estimates** 

Land Use Type (ITE Code)	Size	A.M. Trips		P.M. Trips		Daily
Land Ose Type (TL Code)	3126	In	Out	In	Out	Trips
Scenario 1 - Senior Housing Apartment (252)	62-units	4	8	8	7	213
Scenario 2 - High Density Residential (220)	250-units	26	102	101	54	1,663

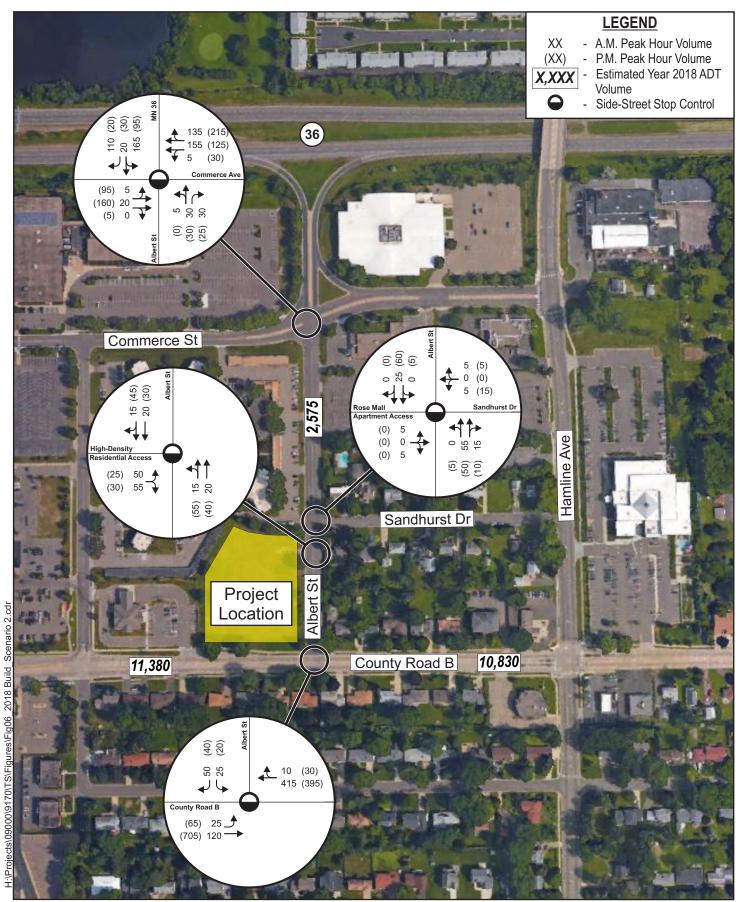
Trips for each scenario were distributed to the adjacent roadway network based on the directional distribution shown in Figure 4. The directional distribution was developed based on a review of existing travel patterns and engineering judgment. The resultant year 2018 traffic volumes for Scenario 1 (Senior Housing Apartments) and Scenario 2 (High Density Residential), which accounts for the general background growth and trips generated by each development, are shown in Figure 5 and Figure 6, respectively.













#### **Year 2018 Build Condition**

#### **Intersection Operations Analysis**

To determine if the existing roadway network can accommodate year 2018 build traffic forecasts, a detailed traffic operations analysis was completed for the two land use scenarios. The study intersections were once again analyzed using Synchro/SimTraffic.

Results of the year 2018 build operations analysis shown in Table 4 indicate that all study intersections are expected to operate at an acceptable overall LOS A during the a.m. and p.m. peak hours with the existing geometric layout and traffic control under both land use scenarios. While the eastbound queues at the County Road B/Hamline Avenue intersection identified under existing conditions are expected to continue to occur under build conditions, no significant side-street delays or queuing issues are expected at the study intersections. Given the minimal overall impact of the two land use scenarios, roadway network improvements are not anticipated to be needed based on a traffic capacity perspective as a result of newly generated traffic.

Table 4. Year 2018 Build Condition Peak Hour Capacity Analysis

Intersection	A.M. Peak		P.M. Peak	
mersection	LOS	Delay	LOS	Delay
Scenario 1 – Senior Housing Apartment				
County Road B/Albert Street (1)	A/B	11 sec.	A/B	12 sec.
Albert Street/Sandhurst Drive (1)	A/A	9 sec.	A/A	9 sec.
Albert Street/Commerce Street (1)	A/B	12 sec.	A/C	19 sec.
Albert Street/Senior Housing Apartment Access (1)	A/A	9 sec.	A/A	9 sec.
Scenario 2 - Maximum High-Density Residential				
County Road B/Albert Street (1)	A/B	12 sec.	A/B	14 sec.
Albert Street/Sandhurst Drive (1)	A/A	9 sec.	A/A	9 sec.
Albert Street/Commerce Street (1)	A/B	13 sec.	A/C	22 sec.
Albert Street/High Density Residential Access (1)	A/A	9 sec.	A/A	9 sec.

<sup>(1)</sup> Indicates an unsignalized intersection with side-street stop control, where the overall LOS is shown followed by the worst approach LOS. The delay shown represents the worst side-street approach delay.

Under Scenario 2 (maximum high-density residential), the westbound right-turn volume at the County Road B/Albert Street intersection increases to approximately 30 vehicles during the p.m. peak hour. Based on conversations with County staff, a westbound right-turn lane should be considered at this location. From a traffic capacity perspective (i.e. delays/queuing issues) a westbound right-turn lane is not needed. From a safety perspective, while this corridor is low speed, a right-turn lane could potentially reduce the likelihood for rear-end crashes.

A high-level review of the existing right-of-way and cross-section indicates that there may be opportunity to construct a short (approximately 50-foot) westbound right-turn lane within the County Road B right-of-way line. However, this would require modification to the curb line as well as the sidewalk. The single-family home located on the northwest corner of the County Road B/Albert Street intersection has two driveways (one to County Road B and one to Albert Street). If a westbound right-turn lane were constructed, it would impact the County Road B driveway to this house. Further discussion with project staff should occur to determine the feasibility of constructing a westbound right-turn lane.

It should be noted that based on expected traffic volumes on Albert Street, a two-lane or three-lane facility would provide adequate capacity. Restriping or reconstructing Albert Street, which is currently a four-lane facility, would provide opportunity to improve pedestrian/bicyclist facilities.

#### **Site and Access Review**

A review of the proposed senior housing development site plan was completed to identify any issues and recommend potential improvements with regard to site distance, traffic control and circulation. Based on field observations, there is adequate sight distance at the proposed access location on Albert Street to clearly identify approaching vehicles. Special consideration should be made to limit any sight distance impacts from future landscaping and signing. No other traffic control or circulation issues are expected.

It should be noted that the proposed development plans to provide direct access onto Albert Street at an existing approach that is approximately 275 feet north of County Road B and 90 feet south of Sandhurst Drive. Currently the Rose Mall Apartment complex has access on the west leg of the Albert Street/Sandhurst Drive intersection. In order to reduce conflict points and improve safety on Albert Street, a shared access with the existing Rose Mall apartment should be considered.

# **Summary and Conclusions**

Based on the analysis, the following conclusions and recommendations are offered for your consideration:

- Results of the existing operations analysis indicate that all study intersections currently operate at an acceptable overall LOS A during the a.m. and p.m. peak hours. No significant side-street delays or queuing issues were observed.
- The proposed development consists of a 62-unit senior housing apartment. The development is planning direct access to Albert Street.
- To evaluate the trip generation and traffic impacts, two land use scenarios were reviewed:
  - o *Scenario 1:* 62-unit senior housing apartment (proposed condition)
  - o Scenario 2. 250-unit high-density residential (maximum allowable condition)

- Results of the trip generation estimates indicate the following:
  - o Scenario 1: expected to generate 12 a.m. peak hour, 15 p.m. peak hour, and 213 daily trips
  - o Scenario 2: expected to generate 128 a.m. peak hour, 155 p.m. peak hour and 1,663 daily trips
- Results of the year 2018 build operations analysis indicate that all study intersections are expected to operate at an acceptable overall LOS A during the a.m. and p.m. peak hours.
- Given the minimal overall impact of the two land use scenarios, roadway network improvements are not anticipated to be needed based on a traffic capacity perspective as a result of newly generated traffic.
  - o Based on conversations with County staff, a westbound right-turn lane should be considered at the County Road B/Albert Street intersection under Scenario 2 (maximum high-density residential) due to the expected increase in traffic volumes for this movement.
- Special consideration should be made to limit any sight distance impacts from future landscaping and signing.
- In order to reduce conflict points and improve safety on Albert Street, a shared access with the existing Rose Mall apartment should be considered.

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Roseville Community Development 2660 Civic Center Drive Roseville, MN 55113 (651) 792-7005

Regarding: Zoning Map Change (Rezoning) Application for: 1415 County Road B W, Roseville, MN

#### PROJECT DESCRIPTION and INTENDED USE:

The intent of this narrative is to serve as a supplement to the rezoning application materials submitted by Kaas Wilson Architects on behalf of the Evangelical Lutheran Good Samaritan Society to Roseville Community Development. The proposed 3-story apartment building for the site located at 1415 County Road B W (at the intersection of County B Road W & Albert Street N) in Roseville, MN will feature 62 units of senior living residences, divided up into a mix of 60% one-bedrooms, and 40% two-bedrooms. The building will be 3-stories tall, with a height of approximately 35' from the first floor elevation to the midpoint of the sloped roof. Our proposed building was also designed to meet the intent of Section 1004.06 of the Roseville City Zoning Code for Multi-Family Design Standards through various means, which includes emphasis towards a corner-lot street-facing façade design, variety through materiality, and offsets in the façade for generating visual interest. Rezoning the site from an HDR-1 district to an HDR-2 will be a slight modification to the Comprehensive Plan for the area, but is required to allow for the proposed density. Having a building over 60 units is more cost effective for property management and staffing as well as the ability to offer more affordable units for seniors to meet the demand.

#### **DENSITY:**

The Site at 1415 County Road B W is currently zoned for High-Density Residential (HDR-1, Section 1004.11 of the Roseville Zoning Code/Ordinance, dated January of 2015. The allowable density for a site zoned as an HDR-1 district is 24 units/ acre. For an HDR-2, there is no maximum density. For the building we are proposing to construct, the proposed density, with 62 units on a 1.79 acre site, would be 34 units/acre. Because variances on density are not permissible by the City of Roseville, a rezoning of the site to a district of HDR-2 is required to align with the proposed number of units.

#### **HEIGHT:**

The maximum building height for a site zoned as HDR-1 is currently 65'. For an HDR-2, the maximum allowable building height increases to 95'. The proposed height of our building will be approximately 35' from the elevation of the first floor to the midpoint of the sloped roof, and includes three stories of wood frame housing, with floor-to-ceiling heights of 8'. The proposed building height is well below the restrictions set by the current HDR-1 zoning, as well as the proposed HDR-2, and is not a part of our request to rezone this site.

#### **SETBACKS:**

The minimum setbacks for a site zoned under HDR- 1 are as follows:

Front (Street)	Side Yard (interior)	Side Yard (corner)	Rear Yard
30 ft	20 ft (when adjacent to an LDR-1 or LDR-2); 10 ft (when adjacent to all other uses)	20 ft	30 ft

For an HDR-2, the required setbacks are as follows:

Front (Street)	Side Yard (interior)	Side Yard (corner)	Rear Yard
10 fi	20% of height of the bldg (35' x .20) = <b>7 ft</b>	20% of height of the bldg (35' x .20) = <b>7 ft</b>	50% of height of the building (35' x .20) = 17.5 ft

The setbacks of our proposed building are as follows:

Front (facing County Road B)	Side Yard (interior)	Side Yard (facing Albert Street)	Rear Yard
33 ft	20 ft	30 ft	124 ft

The proposed setbacks are well within the minimums as defined by the current HDR-1 zoning, as well as the proposed HDR-2, and is not a part of our request to rezone this site.

#### **IMPROVEMENT AREAS:**

Under the current Roseville Zoning Code, the maximum improvement area allowed throughout the entire site under an HDR-1 is equal to 75% impervious vs. 25% pervious. For an HDR-2, that ratio is adjusted to be 85% impervious vs. 15% pervious. The proposed improvement area is approximately equal to 51%, and includes all impervious surfaces such as driveways, sidewalks, curbs, resident patios, and building footprint. Proposed pervious surfaces, such as sodded areas with grass, trees, and plantings, stormwater infiltration ponds, and crushed gravel walking paths, would encompass about 49% of the site. The proposed improvement area is well below the restrictions set by the current HDR-1 zoning, as well as the proposed HDR-2, and is not a part of our request to rezone this site.

#### IN SUMMARY:

We view the proposed senior living residential property at 1415 County Road B W as an exciting opportunity to create a quality establishment that future residents and the neighborhood can be proud of. This project will be one of the first local collaborations between the Evangelical Lutheran Good Samaritan Society, Kaas Wilson Architects, and Benson Orth, which, individually, combines a wealth of experience in providing high-quality multifamily and senior living projects. We encourage those who are interested in previous examples to review our project listed on our respective websites, and to contact us for setting up visits and/or tours.

If you have any questions feel free to call our office at 612-879-6000.

Sincerest Regards,

Enrico Williams

Kaas Wilson Architects

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Mary Stewart, Good Samaritan Society Aaron Bakker, Good Samaritan Society Stephanie Hawkinson, Landon Group Link Wilson, AIA, Kaas Wilson Architects

**Attachment D** 

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Roseville - Senior Living Apts. 1415 County Road B W Roseville, MN 55113

Good Samaritan Society

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Project Number	1524
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Arch. Site Plan



**GOOD SAMARITAN SOCIETY - NORTHWEST VIEW** COUNTY ROAD B & ALBERT STREET - ROSEVILLE, MN

Cover Sheet



1 Ext. Elevation - South 1 (facing Cty Rd B)



2 Ext. Elevation - East 1 (facing Albert St) 1/16" = 1'-0"



Project Number:

Issue Date: 1

1524 Revision Number: 11/24/2015 Revision Date:

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Exterior Elevations



Ext. Elevation - North 1 (view from lot interior)



Ext. Elevation - West 1 (view from lot interior)

1/16" = 1'-0"

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Project Number:

1524 Revision Number:
11/24/2015 Revision Date:

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Exterior Elevations



# Jou're invited!



# **Open House Meeting**

Thursday, Jan. 14 • 6–9 p.m. Ramsey County Public Library 2180 N. Hamline Ave. • Roseville, MN

Join us to discuss a proposed three story, 62-unit, senior affordable housing project in your neighborhood. The proposed site is on the vacant land at Albert Street and County Road B. This open house meeting will gather important feedback from nearby property owners and is a required step in the process of seeking city approval for the proposed rezoning. A summary of the comments and questions raised at the open house meeting will be submitted to the city as part of the formal application. We value your input.

## To learn more, contact:

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# Roseville Good Samaritan Affordable Senior Housing Project Located at 1415 County Road B West, Roseville, MN

#### Summary of Open House Held Thursday, January 14, 2016

An open house was held on Thursday, January 14, 2016 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at the Ramsey County Public Library within walking distance of the subject property. Invitations were mailed to the list (99 residents) provided by the city. The invitation was mailed or posted to Roseville City Hall, Ramsey County Public Library, Fairview Community and Senior Center, various churches and coffee shops in the neighborhood. In addition an invitation ad was placed in the Roseville Review 12/22/15 edition.

Good Samaritan Society was represented from their development team: Mary Stewart and Aaron Bakker, and Lauren Pahnke locally from Good Samaritan Heritage Place of Roseville. In addition, Good Samaritan's local financing consultant Stephanie Hawkinson and architect Enrico Williams from Kaas Wilson attended the open house.

There were 18 that attended from the neighborhood. General comments were supportive of the project. There were questions on design, accessibility, income levels, timing of project, and traffic. The most concerns that were expressed were related to the impact on traffic in the following areas:

- Increased traffic on County Road B
- Street parking impact
- Pedestrian crossing on County Road B and bus stop
- Increased traffic on the intersection of Albert and Commerce

A traffic study was suggested and we reviewed an intersection with a stoplight just west of the property that was an option for bus riders to cross County Road B. There were a couple of residents that live on County Road B that were opposed to the project due to anticipated increase of traffic. They have difficulty getting on to County Road B from their homes especially during the rush hour time period. They would prefer the site to be a park. One person did not like the design, thought the rents were not affordable, and it was too close to the street.

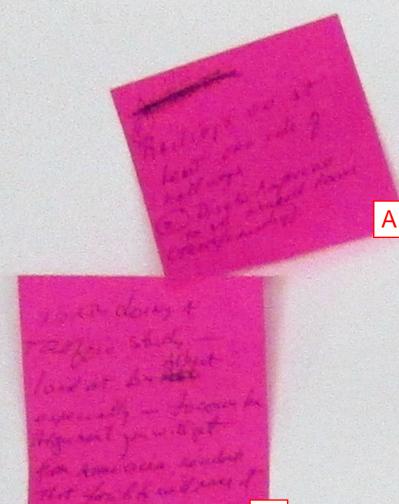
There were 3 phone inquiries that were generated from the mailing. One resident attended the open house. General information was provided and no objections or concerns were expressed by those that called.

Attachments to this summary:
Invitation that was mailed to the residents
List of attendees
Comments from those that attended

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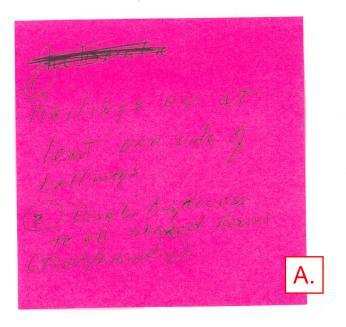
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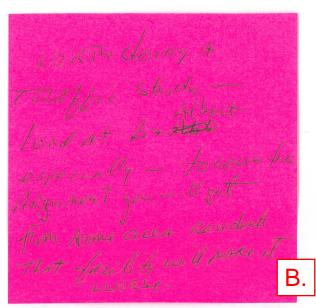
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Site Plan

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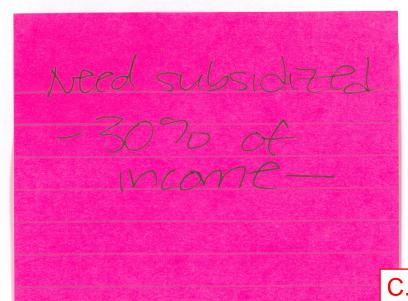
Railings on at least one side of hallways. Disability access to all shared rooms (trash/laundry)



Worth doing a traffic study- look at B & Albert especially -to counter argument you will get from some area residents that facility will make it worse ·Not that affordable

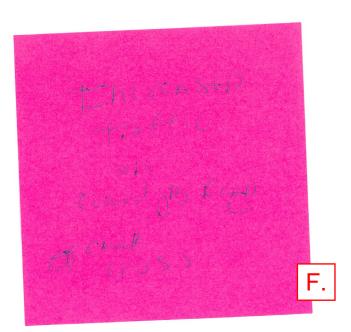
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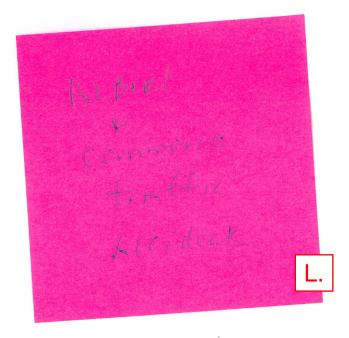


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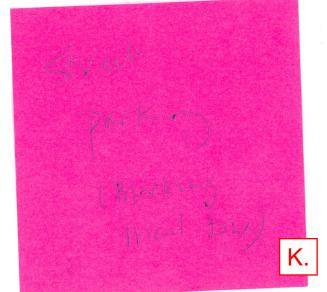
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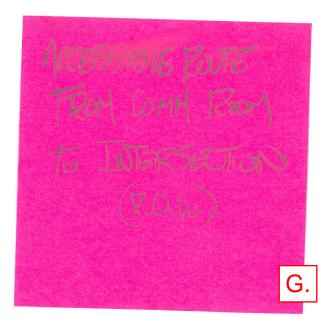


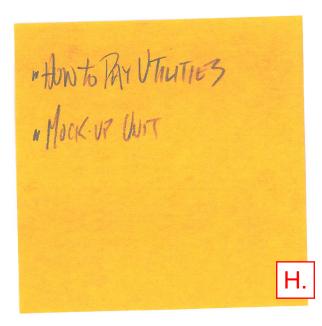
Albert and Commerce traffic accidents



Street parking (blocking mail boxes)

Accessible route from community room to intersection (R.O.W.)





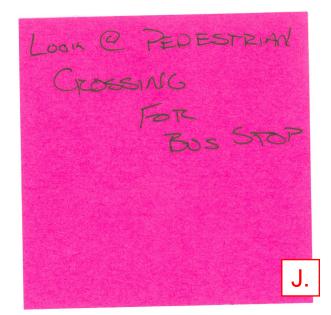
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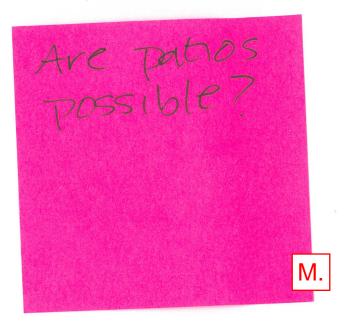
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Exterior Elevations



Are patios possible?



Railings in the hallways

# Extract of the May 4, 2016, Roseville Planning Commission Meeting Minutes

#### c. PLANNING FILE 16-006

Request by Evangelical Lutheran Good Samaritan Society to REZONE 1415 County Road B from High Density Residential-1 District to High Density Residential-2 District to afford more flexible design and an increase in unit density

- 1 Chair Boguszewski opened the public hearing for PLANNING FILE 16-006 at 7:42 p.m.
- 2 City Planner Thomas Paschke reviewed the request as detailed in the staff report and
- attachments dated May 4, 2016 and rationale for suggested changes.
- 4 Mr. Paschke reported that staff had not accepted the initial application for this project
- 5 pending a traffic study, now available and included in meeting packet materials. Mr. Paschke
- 6 noted that the study indicated that this proposed project density for the site and development
- 7 project, as well as maximizing the site for other potential HDR-2 uses that may create a
- 8 greater number of units per acre within code requirements were all possible without creating
- 9 any major impacts to the road network system. From that standpoint, Mr. Paschke advised
- that staff could therefore support the project and recommended its approval, even if a
- development proposal came forward at greater density allowed by code for HDR-2 if and
- when the zoning change is approved. Mr. Paschke advised that if there had been any major
- impacts or concerns as a result of the traffic study or from Ramsey County, staff may have
- changed their recommendation for approval, since once a parcel was rezoned it was difficult
- to undo. Mr. Paschke noted that the requested zoning change was consistent with the
- comprehensive plan for the parcel designated for high density, with the city only having two
- divisions for higher or lower density and different design standards applying to each
- 18 accordingly.
- 19 With Chair Boguszewski noting there was no upper limit on HDR-2, Mr. Paschke clarified
- that those limits would be through the design standards and maximum height allowances
- built into zoning code and thereby limiting how many units based on design standards and lot
- amenities. Mr. Paschke noted that the traffic study considered a maximum scenario of 250
- units, but when other design elements and standards in code are applied, that high of a
- 24 density would be difficult for any project to achieve.
- 25 Chair Boguszewski opined that underlying zoning isn't necessarily tied to this proposed
- project, but if a future or alternate project came forward, with zoning staying with the land,
- there was the potential for a much larger and denser development.
- Mr. Paschke reiterated that there could be more units, but from his perspective, it would be
- 29 difficult to achieve anywhere near 250 units; and clarified that the current project prompting
- this rezoning request was proposed for 62 units.
- Discussion ensued as to the physical location of the proposed project; and zoning and density
- allowances of other multi-family complexes in the immediate area (e.g. Rose Mall
- 33 Apartments).

- Chair Boguszewski asked staff to display an illustrative view of the hypothesized elevation
- of the proposed project for public viewing of the massing that could occur with just 62 units
- as proposed.
- 37 Mr. Paschke noted that the proposed project site plan was predicated on and incorporated
- zoning for placement of the building under the city's urban design and green space code
- requirements seeking a greater separation from adjacent residential uses and moving the
- 40 building footprint closer to a busy road. Mr. Paschke noted that the elevations as displayed
- were for a three-story structure with underground parking.
- 42 Member Murphy pointed out, as recognized by Chair Boguszewski, that the zoning request
- was separate and distinct from this project.
- However, Chair Boguszewski noted that this zoning change would allow this mass to
- develop, as well as theoretically an even denser mass than this proposal, with Mr. Paschke
- agreeing with that statement.
- 47 Member Daire clarified, with staff's concurrence, that directly across the street from this site,
- with single-family uses, it would be similar to the past conversation for the project at
- Cleveland Avenue and County Road B, where that request had been for HDR with MDR
- preferred as a transition between those land uses.
- 51 Mr. Paschke agreed that in that situation, the request had been for up-zoning to a level far
- greater than it was currently zoned; while this one was already zoned HDR, and simply
- sought rezoning to slightly increase the density from HDR-1 to HDR-2, opining that didn't
- create as distinct of a difference as the previous example.

#### 55 **Applicant Representative(s)**

- Aaron Bakker, Good Samaritan Society, Sioux Falls, SD, Construction Design
- 57 Consultant; Nathan Kraft, Good Samaritan Society, Construction Consultant; and
- 58 Enrico Williams, Kaas Wilson Architects, Bloomington, MN

#### 59 **Aaron Bakker**

- In addition to those questions already raised, Mr. Bakker expressed the team's willingness to
- answer any questions related to the project.
- Regarding the concern raise regarding the proposed project developing into a denser project,
- Mr. Bakker stated the history of Good Samaritan Society in not overdeveloping their project
- sites. Having maintained some of their properties for 40-50 years, Mr. Bakker stated that he
- didn't see any higher density on this site than that proposed, with the development team
- interested in providing more green space. Mr. Bakker noted this resulted in proposing
- of underground parking versus above ground parking; with the intent to make this site a
- friendly, walkable site, including a walkway across the parcel.
- At the request of Member Gitzen, Mr. Bakker confirmed that Good Samaritan owned the
- property when it was previously a nursing home prior to demolition.
- At the request of Member Kimble, Mr. Bakker confirmed that tax credits were part of the
- financing for the project's development, anticipating application for credits for the fall 2016
- 73 round.
- At the request of Member Daire, Mr. Bakker advised that, while unsure of the property's
- long-term history, he was aware that Good Samaritan had owned the property when the

- former nursing home use had been demolished; and throughout the seven-year vacant period following to-date.
- Member Daire asked if the changing market for housing had made this particular development seem attractive at this time.
- Mr. Bakker responded that it had, and following a recent market study that indicated senior
- 81 housing was needed in Roseville, this seemed to be a good location since it was already
- owned by the applicant, and provided nearby and walkable amenities. Mr. Bakker noted that
- the adjacent bus line also made this site attractive for affordable housing as well. At the
- request of Member Daire, Mr. Bakker confirmed that the building would be all independent
- living units, with no assisted living units included.
- At the request of Chair Boguszewski as to what "affordable" indicated, Mr. Bakker
- 87 responded that it made some funding through tax credits possible, with the guidelines for
- those applicable for affordable housing based on low income, total assets and other resources
- 89 of those applying.
- While not knowing all aspects of this property, Chair Boguszewski noted his initial reaction
- 91 to the projected elevations for the property caused him to be concerned with the massing
- shown in provisional drawings, especially to the south and east, and abutting single-family
- homes. Chair Boguszewski asked if there were alternatives to flip the footprint, or if this was
- 94 the only workable placement.
- Mr. Bakker responded that current city zoning code required the frontage of a building closer
- to the street corner versus farther back with more green space up front.
- 97 At the request of Chair Boguszewski, Mr. Paschke stated that the applicant could apply for a
- variance to move the building footprint that would not meet current design standards to
- 99 determine its merit for such a variable.
- 100 Chair Boguszewski asked, if this application moves forward, that the development team
- continue working with the neighborhood to address their concerns.
- Recognizing that the process in applying for tax credits could take multiple years, Member
- Kimble noted that if rezoning to a greater density was approved and the value of the land
- increased, what guarantees were there that would prevent this developer from flipping the
- property and selling to another developer intending a higher density, should this developer
- tire of waiting to confirm financing for this project.
- Mr. Bakker noted Good Samaritan had been sitting on this property for some time, and
- avoiding interested firms from acquiring it, therefore proving their strong commitment to
- developer the site.
- 110 If the Planning Commission and/or City Council ultimately denies the requested zoning
- change, Chair Boguszewski asked the developer what was their Plan B: a lower unit count or
- no project.
- Mr. Bakker responded that, in analyzing operational costs, a 60-unit facility was the
- minimum that can be developed on this site to make it financially feasible. If this rezoning
- application is denied, Mr. Bakker advised that they would need to postpone the proposed
- project to review other possible options, but at this point, he was unable to answer that or
- define what that would mean.

- In terms of the city's commitment to affordable housing credits, Chair Boguszewski asked city staff if the City of Roseville was in line with, ahead of or behind Metropolitan Council and/or other agency guidelines; and whether or not this project would help the city achieve their housing goals.
- Interim Community Development Director Collins noted the recent presentation provided by former Community Development Director Paul Bilotta several months ago related to this data, and from her recollection, the City of Roseville was currently in a satisfactory position for affordable housing options, reminding all that those guidelines that these were recommendations, not requirements. Ms. Collins stated she would get this additional
- information to the Commission.
- Member Daire asked staff to provide a worst case scenario from a density standpoint for this site if rezoned to HDR-2 as requested; and if negative economic or market issues repeated before this project could develop. In other words, Member Daire asked what could be developed (e.g. height of building(s) and maximum number of units) and what that might look like on this site.
- 133 First prefacing his response on his belief that this site could not feasibly support 250 units on this site based on current city code, Mr. Paschke advised that a maximum worst case scenario 134 could be for a roughly 9-story, 95' building with a maximum of 250 units could be built, 135 even though he could not accurately determine the maximum density, but this was 136 presupposed on current city code. Mr. Paschke also noted that the actual number of stories at 137 138 that maximum height of 95' would be dependent on the project itself and height of floors. However, Mr. Paschke questioned the actual market for a nine-story building in Roseville, 139 even in a booming economy, or a market for tall buildings throughout the metropolitan area. 140
- 141 If so, Mr. Paschke suggested the community would have multiple high-rise buildings.

  However, Mr. Paschke stated he was unable to predict what may happen if and when this parcel is rezoned; but opined he found it highly unlikely that a nine-story building would be

constructed on this or any other site in Roseville.

- Member Daire clarified that the rationale for his question was based on a maximum 95'
  height limit and discussion of parking and the traffic study for a 250 maximum unit
  development and traffic generation accordingly. While this is fairly hypothetical on one
  hand, Member Daire stated he was attempting to get a handle on what the site could possible
  look like; and what his perception may be if he lived across the street from this development
  and concerns he may have with horror stories for possible height and density development
  that could occur.
- Member Kimble asked if the tax credits were the only funding gap for the capital project, or if others were being considered.
- Mr. Bakker responded that the developer was applying for tax credit funding, as well as other sources depending on if and when the application deadlines would impact the project itself, some of which had already been eliminated due to timing. While unable to identify all funding sources under consideration at this point, Mr. Bakker confirmed that they were considering additional funding beyond tax credit funding.
- Member Kimble stated the reason for her question was as it related to feasibility and readiness for this specific development proposal.

161 **Public Comment** Amanda Kappes, 10761 Smetana Road, Apt. #111, Minnetonka, MN; Metro Interfaith 162 **Council on Affordable Housing (MICAH)** 163 Ms. Kappes advised that their organization, MICAH, had been in discussion with the Good 164 Samaritan Society and their proposal for senior housing gin Roseville for approximately nine 165 166 months now. Ms. Kappes noted that initially they had been asked to get involved with the community engagement process and what the community would most like to see. Ms. 167 Kappes noted that MICAH's first response had been whether or not Good Samaritan had 168 spoken to community members themselves, which prompted working on an open house with 169 MICAH staff available to help answer questions. 170 One of the questions at the open house, as well as brought forward tonight was whether there 171 was a market demand for senior housing at this time. Ms. Kappes stated there was a huge 172 focus on that option, and was asked for much more often than indicated by the Governor's 173 request and currently pending legislative action by the house and senate. Ms. Kappes noted 174 that, at this time in MN, the state's senior population is the fastest growing homeless 175 population; and as well as looking at affordable units, across the state there were 25,000 176 units, with an additional 150,000 senior households who could qualify for those affordable 177 units. Ms. Kappes clarified what "affordable" housing actually indicated, not housing units 178 for the lowest income residents, but based on 60% of the area median, identified for a 179 household with typically only 1-2 persons/unit, an annual income of roughly \$24,000 to 180 \$30,000 annually. Ms. Kappes noted that this income usually applied to retirement and/or 181 disability benefits; with 54% of renters in MN over 55 years old, and currently paying over 182 30% of their household income. Ms. Kappes reiterated the great need for affordable senior 183 housing that would continue to grow. 184 Ms. Kappes referenced the City of Roseville's comprehensive plan numbers and 185 Metropolitan Council guidelines at or below 30% of area income at 72 units; and when 186 looking at 31% to 50% of median income, Roseville could add an additional 50 units; and if 187 looking at 51% to 80% of median income, Roseville could add an additional 20 units; for a 188 189 total of 142 units. In looking at the 60% median income level, Ms. Kappes opined that 62 units would go a long way in reaching that total number of units. 190 Given the fact the Metropolitan Council supports this effort, and the state may help fund it, 191 Chair Boguszewski asked if this was the right site for this project. 192 Ms. Kappes responded that, based on the traffic study indicating the project would only add a 193 delay of a matter of seconds during peak times, and given the previous nursing home use 194 with more traffic than this development would indicate given those previous employees and 195 shift change traffic, Ms. Kappes opined that there should be no noticeable impact from the 196 proposed development. Ms. Kappes opined that as an affordable housing advocacy group 197 working in the region since 1986, MICAH strongly supported this project. 198 Gary Kwong, 1700 Fry Street, Falcon Heights, MN 199 Mr. Kwong reviewed his residencies near the Midway Park area for some time, and his 200 father's history of nursing home living on this site, noting the changes he'd observed in 201 Roseville over the years. Mr. Kwong noted the changes in the schools, more diversity in the 202 population, and new transportation available soon along Snelling Avenue, as well as the 203 204 proximity of this proposed development close to the Ramsey County Library – Roseville

Branch. Ms. Kwong opined that there were a lot of amenities for potential residents, with the proximity to shopping, and other walkable areas for seniors in the community, and allowing them to remain Roseville residents to retain their sense of community versus relocating elsewhere. At this time, Mr. Kwong noted the limited housing available from independent to full assisted living, with this development providing a good option to maintain that independent living as an alternative housing option for those unable to afford a more expensive location or housing options. Mr. Kwong spoke in support of this requested rezoning and the proposed project; opining it allowed the City to meet Metropolitan Council suggested guidelines, while allowing residents to retain their sense of community, and was far beyond meeting legal requirements. 

Member Daire asked staff how this proposed project would compare in character to Rose Pointe as an example.

Mr. Paschke advised he could not address the type of housing units involved in Rose Pointe as far as market rate or subsidized; but design-wise, was not sure they were much different in their massing, with 3-4 stories. Mr. Paschke noted that most senior projects were at least 3 stories, partly due to economics and making them work based on a certain number of units. Regarding how the building itself was situated, Mr. Paschke noted that topography between the parcels notwithstanding, a number of past projects were also built under a different city code and ordinances, with different design standards than those applicable today, including setback requirements and proximity to other uses. Mr. Paschke advised that, if staff felt it was appropriate when this particular development came forward in the application process, staff and/or the developer could suggest increasing the setback on Albert Street or County Road B if appropriate to the project. However, Mr. Paschke questioned whether or not their proposal, when presented, would actually suggested that, since today's code had built-ins for protecting adjacent lower density uses.

Member Kimble noted the unknowns and risks in acting on rezoning without looking at an actual project, especially when a proposed project such as this one isn't fully funded and that funding could be months away. Member Kimble opined that ideally, action would be taken on rezoning when there was a better comfort level for a project fully funded and ready to go.

Mr. Paschke recognized the risks involved; however, he noted that part of a development's ability to proceed was predicated on having things in place (e.g. rezoning) to help them get through that financial process with lenders looking to ensure proper zoning was in place for a proposed development seeking funding, and impacting their project's funding score. From staff's perspective, Mr. Paschke stated that the intent was to be somewhat accommodating to this proposal, thus staff's recommendation to the Commission and City Council for their determination based on staff's analysis to-date. Mr. Paschke recognized the concerns expressed by Member Kimble and other commissioners, but clarified that zoning drives funding as well and was part of the process. While it wasn't the city's task to help that funding along, Mr. Paschke advised it was part of staff's analysis to accept the proposal before them and, in consideration of the traffic study completed, to base their decision on the information currently before them. Under that scenario, Mr. Paschke stated that staff believed that the proposed development was an appropriate use of this site and the requested zoning from HDR-1 to HDR-2 was consistent with the comprehensive plan's guidance for future use of the site.

- Recognizing the need to separate the project from the rezoning request, and the desire to
- increase this type of housing in Roseville, Chair Boguszewski opined that his impression was
- 251 that not many parcels within the community could support this type of development.
- Mr. Paschke noted there were a few, but they were limited for multi-family or affordable
- units of any sort, with some of them perhaps in better locations than others; but opined that
- 254 this is a nice location for this type of project.
- 255 Chair Boguszewski closed the public hearing at 8:24 p.m., with no additional comment.

#### **Commission Deliberation**

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- Member Kimble stated her support of the project, opining it made sense in this location based on the walking distance to amenities and bus transportation. Member Kimble reiterated the difficulty in separating the zoning request from the proposed use, and difficulty in that distinction when both are included in the same packet. Member Kimble expressed her hope that this develop would have the staying power needed to see this project through to actual development, even if funding proves challenging.
- 263 With the city's goal to avoid or mitigate development adjacent to existing neighborhoods, based on prior document and comments from those attending tonight and giving public 264 testimony, Chair Boguszewski noted that, if no overwhelming support heard from the 265 neighborhood, there also appeared to be no perception that neighbors would find the rezoning 266 to be detrimental to them or their property values. Chair Boguszewski noted the goal of 267 affordable housing is good for Roseville and allows current residents to remain, he agreed 268 269 with Member Kimble in the separation of the zoning decision and proposed project and difficulties in differentiating the two. Chair Boguszewski suggested it may be easier to 270 support the project through the city accepting the risk to achieve its goals in retaining 271 residents because that's the right thing to do versus any guidance from the Metropolitan 272 Council. 273
- Member Gitzen expressed agreement with the comments of Chair Boguszewski and Member Kimble. Member Gitzen expressed his appreciation for the site and its suitability for this type of development, with proximity to the library, Har Mar Mall, bus lines and other amenities, creating lots of pluses for it. Member Gitzen opined that affordable senior housing was another plus for the city.
- Member Murphy agreed with the comments of his colleagues.
- Member Cunningham noted her strong belief in separating the project from zoning; but in this case, admitted she loved the proposed project, opining it was fantastic; even though on many occasions she would say the opposite. In this case, Member Cunningham stated she would be comfortable even with a larger development on the site, opining she would still support that higher density. Member Cunningham noted there was not a lot of outpouring from the community about any objections; and expressed her support of the rezoning request, and her excitement about the proposed project at this location.
- As the city continues to look at its code and areas of it that cause areas of consternation in decision-making, Member Bull noted this was one example when proposed projects and zoning decisions came before the body at the same time, whether informally or formally. If there was some way to tie those decisions, Member Bull noted it would make everyone's job easier, and to know the standards of a project and hoe it would fit on a particular property

292 under that particular zoning designation versus looking at "what ifs" or worst case scenarios 293 of the highest allowable density. In this case, knowing the traffic study supported the higher zoning designation, Member Bull stated he found helpful. However, with LDR across the 294 295 street and the potential of looking at a massive wall potentially 95' high starting back at me, Member Bull questioned if he'd even want that across a 4-lane road. For him, Member Bull 296 noted his options were to take a leap of faith that zoning for a project like this would come in 297 and move forward accordingly; or the more cautionary option of not knowing what project 298 might develop under this zoning designation, but not supporting up to 250 units. Member 299 Bull opined he felt he was on the side of taking a leap of faith form this investment company 300 based on the research they'd put into the proposed project, and their architectural renderings. 301 Therefore, Member Bull spoke in support of the rezoning request. 302

Member Murphy spoke in support of the rezoning, noting minimal traffic indicated form the proposed project even under the worst case scenario. Member Murphy also noted the walking distance to area amenities; as well as the good reputation of Good Samaritan Society for this type of development. Member Murphy stated he was willing to accept the risk that another project may occur on the site, but under design standards as per city code.

#### MOTION

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- Member Murphy moved, seconded by Member Cunningham to recommend to the City Council, APPROVAL of the proposed REZONING of Ramsey County PIN 10-29-23-34-0006 from HDR-1 to HDR-2, based on the comments and findings of the staff report dated May 4, 2016.
- Chair Boguszewski encouraged the development team, with the support of city staff, to continue their community engagement efforts to hear any ideas that neighbors have a preference for in citing the building footprint on the parcel; including any necessary variance processes if appropriate.
- 317 **Ayes: 7** 318 **Nays: 0**
- 319 Motion carried

### ORDINANCE NO. \_\_\_\_

# AN ORDNANCE AMENDING TITLE 10 OF THE CITY CODE, CHANGING THE ZONING DESIGNATION OF CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY

The City Council of the City of Roseville does ordain:

**Section I. Real Property Rezoned.** Pursuant to §1009.06 (Zoning Changes) of the Zoning Code of the City of Roseville, and after the City Council consideration of Planning File 16-006, the following parcel is rezoned from High-Density Residential-1 (HDR-1) District to High-Density Residential-2 (HDR-2) District:

PIN: 10-29-23-34-0006

**Section 2. Effective Date.** This ordinance amendment to the City Code and Zoning Map shall take effect upon the passage and publication of this ordinance.

Passed this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of May, 2016.