# PLANNING COMMISSION CASE REPORT

**Case Number: 2015-075 PC Meeting Date:** 06-08-15

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<b>Applicant Request</b>		
Lift Condition Requiring a	a 3-foot High Berm at the Northwest Corne	er
Property Location:	5223 Hunter Road	
Property Owner:	Michael Tawzer	
Applicant:	Michael Tawzer	

#### **Project Description**

- Proposal: Install a landscape buffer and retaining wall for expansion of existing retail business.
- Proposed Access: Hunter Road.

#### **Site Analysis**

## **Site Description**

- Location: The 0.81-acre site is located on the west side of Hunter Road approximately 500 feet north of the Hilltop Drive intersection.
- Current Access: Hunter Road
- Current Land Uses: Single-family home adjacent to the site on the northwest side; Vacant land adjacent to the south side of the site; Vacant land across Hunter Road to the east.

### **Zoning History**

- The site is currently zoned C2 Convenience Commercial with the following conditions: 1) 140' length of a minimum 8' privacy fence, evergreens and a 3' high berm around the northwest corner; 2) Exterior lighting to be installed to eliminate or minimize undesirable light pollution to adjacent properties; 3) No dumpster and/or trash pickup before 7am or after 7pm.
- The site was rezoned from A-1 Agricultural District to C-2 Local Business Commercial District with the above conditions in 2005 when it was in the unincorporated portion of Hamilton County (Resolution 405-22B). The site maintained its commercial zoning and conditions when it was annexed into the City of Chattanooga in 2013 (Ordinance 12703).
- The property to the north and west is zoned R-1 Residential. The property to the east is zoned C-2
  Convenience Commercial with conditions. The property to the south is zoned C-2 Convenience
  Commercial.
- The site was recently approved for a rear building setback and landscape buffer variance from the Board of Zoning Appeals to permit the proposed landscape buffer (#14-BZ-00025).

#### **Plans/Policies/Regulations**

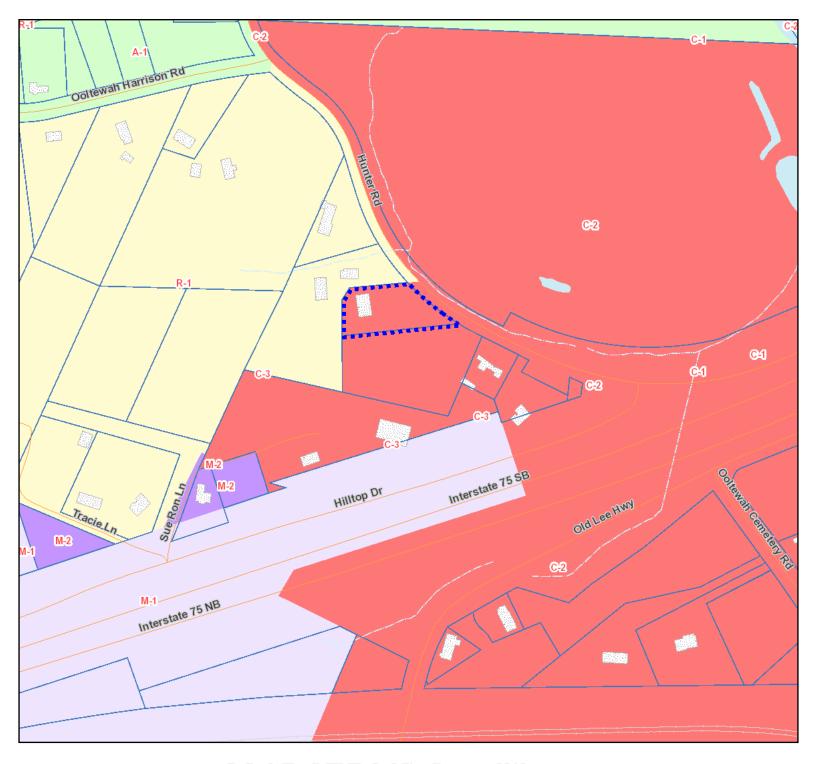
• There is no current adopted land use plan for this area.

## **Key Findings**

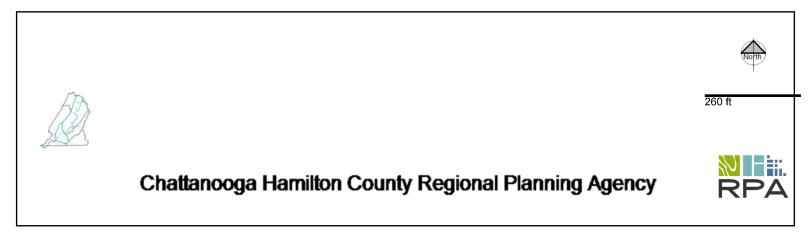
- The request does not create any significant off-site impacts relative to the original conditions.
- The initial set of conditions imposed by Resolution 405-22B were negotiated and agreed upon by the applicant and the adjacent property owner. The original proposal was to construct a car wash and the three foot high berm was intended to reduce noise impacts. The current development is a retail goods store which does not have the same potential impact. The applicant is only requesting removal of the berm, but will still be required to install an eight foot privacy fence.
- Additional Note: RPA received a letter from the adjacent property owner that supports lifting the condition. This is mentioned as the initial set of conditions were agreed upon between the applicant and this property owner.

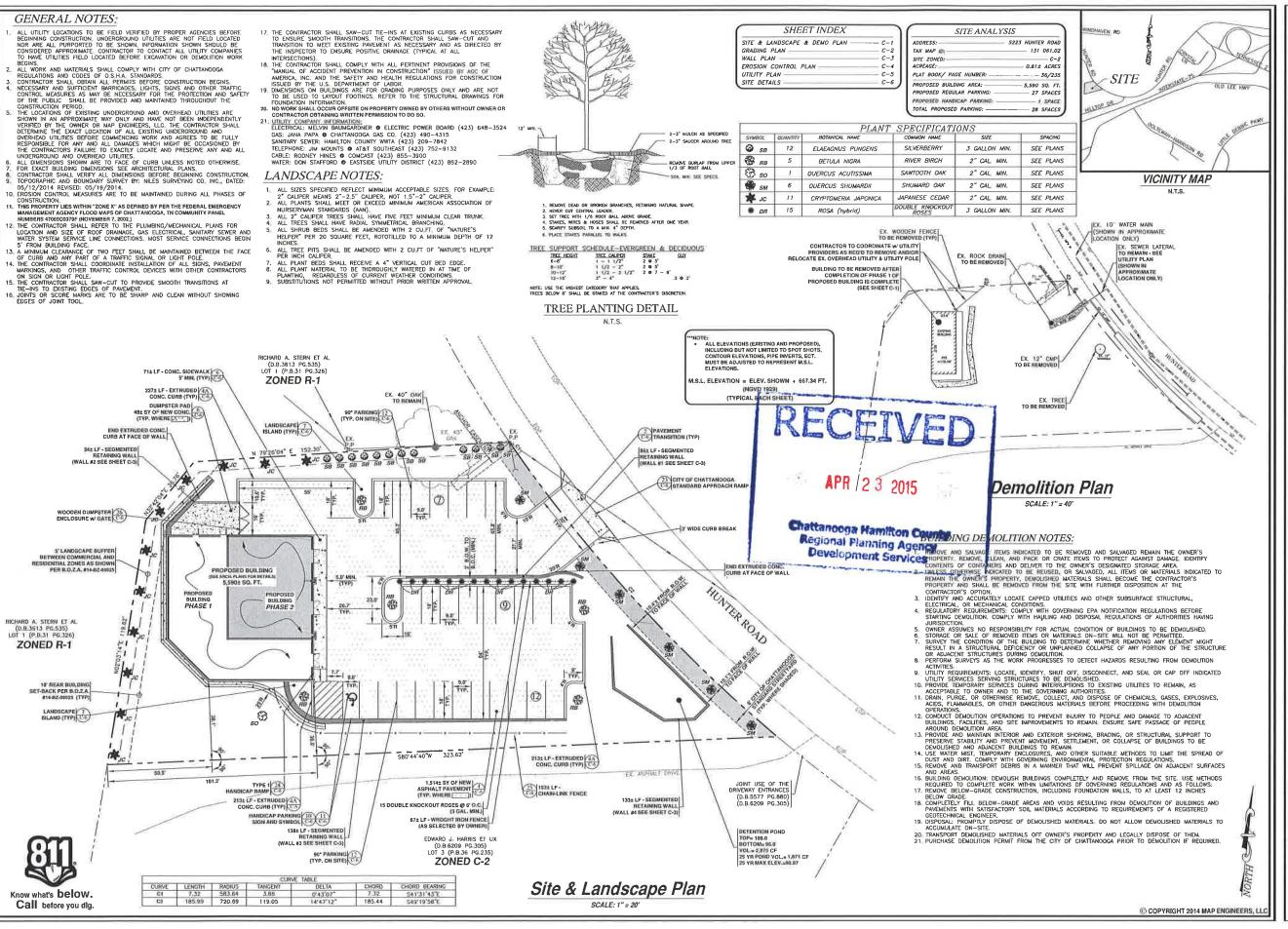
## **Staff Recommendation**

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# 2015-075 Lift Conditions





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