

# Staff Report Z-67-15-2 December 23, 2015

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Desert View Village Planning Committee Meeting Date:	January 5, 2016
Planning Commission Hearing Date:	January 14, 2016
Request From:	S-1 (9.90 acres)
Request To:	R1-10 (9.90 acres)
Proposed Use:	Single Family Residential
Location:	Approximately 670 feet west of the northwest corner of 43rd Street and Lone Mountain Road.
Owner:	45 Lamar LLC
Applicant/Representative:	Towne Development LLC; Adam Baugh, Withey Morris
Staff Recommendation:	Approval, subject to stipulations

General Plan Conformity				
General Plan Land Use Designation		Residential 0-2 du/acre		
Street Map Classification	Lone Mountain Road	Major Arterial	55 foot north half street	
CELEBRATE OUR DIVERSE COMMUNITIES AND NEIGHBORHOODS CORE VALUE; CERTAINTY AND CHARACTER; DESIGN PRINCIPLE: Protect and enhance the character of each neighborhood and its various housing lifestyles through new development that is compatible in scale, design, and appearance.				
The proposed development is consistent with the scale, design, and appearance of the surrounding area. The proposal provides a high percentage of open space, integration of natural washes, and increased setback along Lone Mountain Road.				
BUILD THE SUSTAINABLE DESERT CITY CORE VALUE; RIVERS, WASHES AND WATERWAYS; CODES TOOL: Require developments adjacent to canal banks, major washes, rivers, and drainage corridors to utilize current standards and guidelines.				

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The applicant has proposed a majority of low-profile ranch style homes designed to protect the view sheds of existing adjacent properties and has configured the lot layout to protect the natural washes that currently run through the subject property.

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The proposed development is integrating natural washes into the site design. The proposal also provides an increased landscape setback along the south property line with grading and landscaping to mimic the natural desert environment.

Area Plan

North Land Use Plan designates this area as Residential 0-1.5 du/ac. The plan recognizes the importance that the rural character and lifestyle play in determining appropriate land use densities. The proposed 2.02 du/acre project exceeds the North Land Use Plan density cap of 1.5 du/acre however the proposal meets the intent of the North Land Use Plan by preserving the naturally occurring wash and reestablishing a natural desert landscape within the development constraints of the subject site.

Surrounding Land Uses/Zoning		
	Land Use	Zoning
On Site	Office and outdoor storage	S-1
North	Single Family Residential	RU-43 COUNTY
South	Single Family Residential	R1-6
East	Plant Nursery	S-1
West	Single Family Residential	S-1

R1-10 Single Family		*if variance required
<u>Standards</u>	<b>Requirements</b>	Proposed site Plan
Development Option	PRD	PRD
Gross Acreage	-	9.90 acres
Total Number of Units	-	20 units
Density	3.5, 4.5 with bonus	2.02 du/acre (not met)

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Typical Lot Size	45 minimum width, no minimum depth	80' x 130' (met)
Subject to Single Family Design Review	Yes	Yes
Open Space	Minimum 5% gross	25% (met)
Perimeter Setbacks		
Street (Front, rear or side)	15' (in addition to landscape setback)	140' (met)
Property Line (rear)	15' (1 story), 20' (2 story)	15' (1 story), 20' (2 story) (met)
Property Line (side)	10' (1 story), 15' (2 story)	10' (1 story), 15' (2 story) (met)
Lot Coverage	Primary Structure 40%, Total 50%	Not Shown

#### **Background/Issues/Analysis**

#### SUBJECT SITE

- 1. This request is to rezone a 9.90 acre site located approximately 670 feet west of the northwest corner of 43rd Street and Lone Mountain Road from S-1 (Farm Residence) to R1-10 (Single Family Residential) to allow Single Family Residential.
- 2. The subject site is currently used as a business office that existed prior to annexation and also includes individual outdoor storage and contractor yards. To the north is single family residential uses located outside of the city limits. To the west and south are single family residential uses, and to the east is an existing plant nursery use.



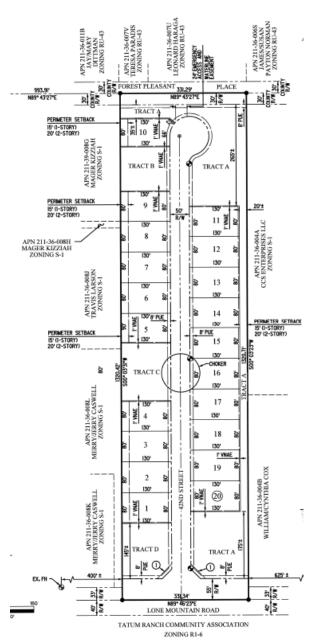
3. The General Plan Land Use Map designation is Residential 0-2 du/acre with a density cap of 1.5 du/acre. Although the proposal is not consistent with the

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> General Plan designation, an amendment is not required as the subject site is less than 10 acres. The subject site includes a half street dedication along Forest Pleasant Place as reviewed and approved by the Maricopa County Department of Transportation. The exclusion of this portion of the subject site from the proposal has reduced the gross acreage from 10.04 acres to 9.90 acres therefore increasing the proposed density from 1.99 du/acre to 2.02 du/acre. Staff acknowledges this development constraint of the subject site.

#### PROPOSAL

- 4. The site plan depicts a 20 unit subdivision with existing washes that run through the north and southeast portions of the subject parcel. The typical lot sizes are 10,400 square feet (80-foot x 130foot) with approximately 20% open space provided. Primary ingress and egress will be provided from Lone Mountain Road. Staff is recommending a stipulation of general conformance to the site plan and elevations date stamped October 28, 2015 with specific regard to lots, open space, and lot widths to ensure compatibility with the existing character of the area.
- 5. To improve safety of existing washes and proposed open space, staff is recommending a stipulation that the development utilize view fencing for homes that back and side common open space tracts. View fencing provides visual access to open spaces to allow passive enjoyment and visual monitoring in order to discourage undesirable activity.



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6. The site plan depicts a 140 foot landscape setback along the south property line adjacent to Lone Mountain Road. Staff is recommending a stipulation to ensure an average 100 foot landscape setback is to be graded and planted to mimic the natural desert landscape along the south property line.

### STREETS

- 7. The Street Transportation Department has indicated that the developer shall complete and submit the Developer Project Information Form for the MAG Transportation Improvement Program. A stipulation has been recommended to address this request.
- 8. The Street Transportation Department has indicated that the developer shall update all existing off-street improvements to current ADA guidelines. A stipulation has been recommended to address this request.

#### OTHER

 Development and use of the site is subject to all applicable codes and ordinances. Zoning approval does not negate other ordinance requirements. Other formal actions such as, but not limited to, zoning adjustments and abandonments, may be required.

# **Findings**

- 1. The proposed site plan, as stipulated, is compatible with the surrounding land use patterns in the area.
- 2. The development character respects the natural topography of the area and incorporates existing washes into the overall design.

## **Stipulations**

- 1. The development shall be in general conformance with the site plan and elevations date stamped October 28, 2015, as modified by the following stipulations and approved by the Planning and Development Department with specific regard to the following:
  - A. The development shall not exceed 20 lots.
  - B. A minimum of 20% open space shall be provided.
  - C. The minimum residential lot width shall be 80 feet.

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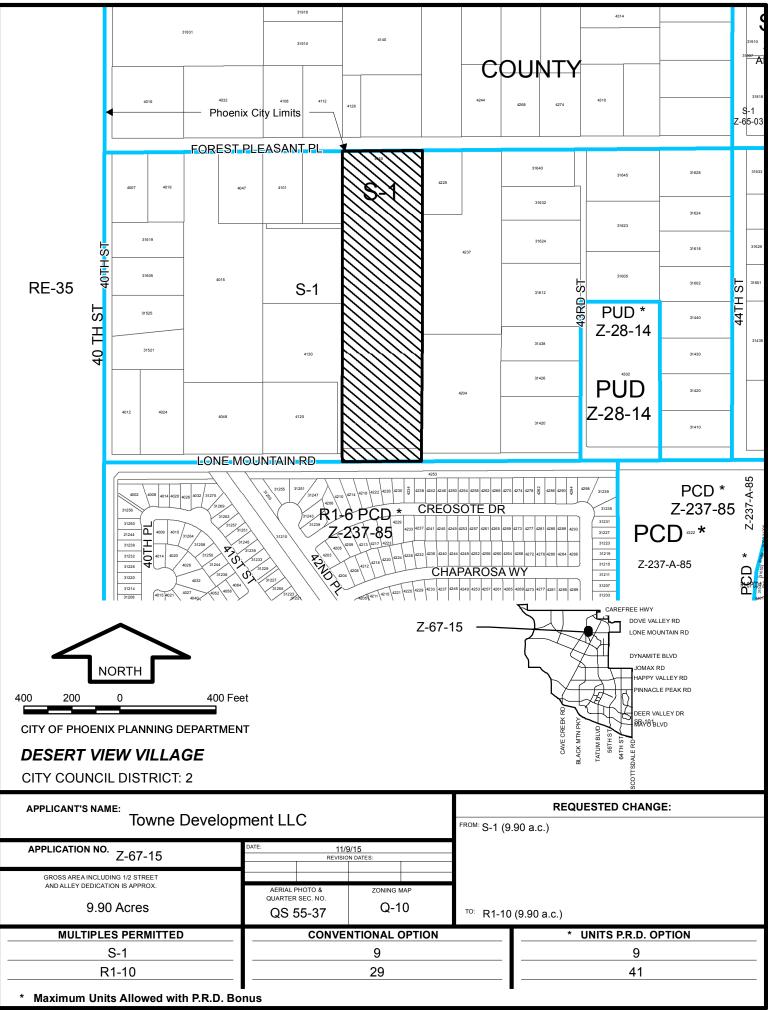
- 2. No more than 7 lots shall be two story as shown on Exhibit A, as approved by the Planning and Development Department.
- 3. An average 100-foot landscape setback shall be graded and planted to mimic natural desert landscape along the south property line, as approved by the Planning and Development Department.
- 4. The development shall utilize view fencing for the homes that side common open space tracts, as approved by the Planning and Development Department.
- 5. The applicant shall complete and submit the Developer Project Information Form for the MAG Transportation Improvement Program to Mr. Alan Hilty, (602)262-6193, with the Street Transportation Department. This form is a requirement of the EPA to meet clean air quality requirements.
- 6. The developer shall construct all streets within and adjacent to the development with paving, curb, gutter, sidewalk, curb ramps, streetlights, median islands, landscaping and other incidentals as per plans approved by the City. All improvements shall comply with all ADA accessibility standards.

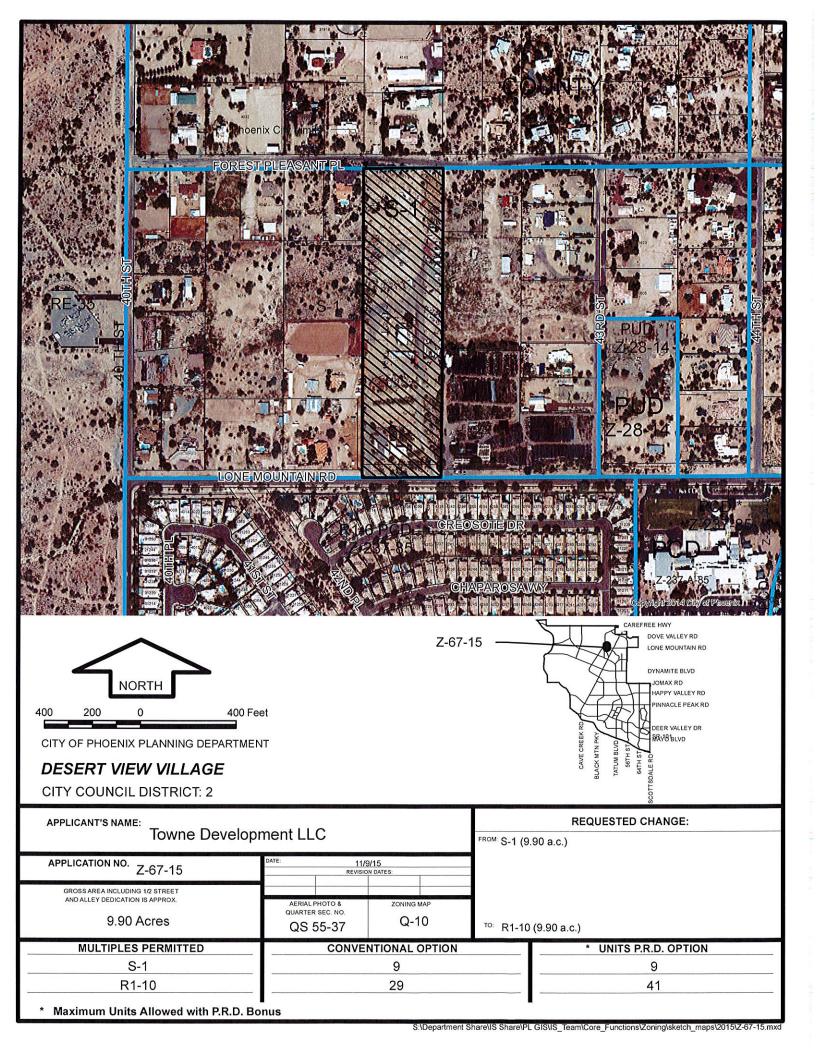
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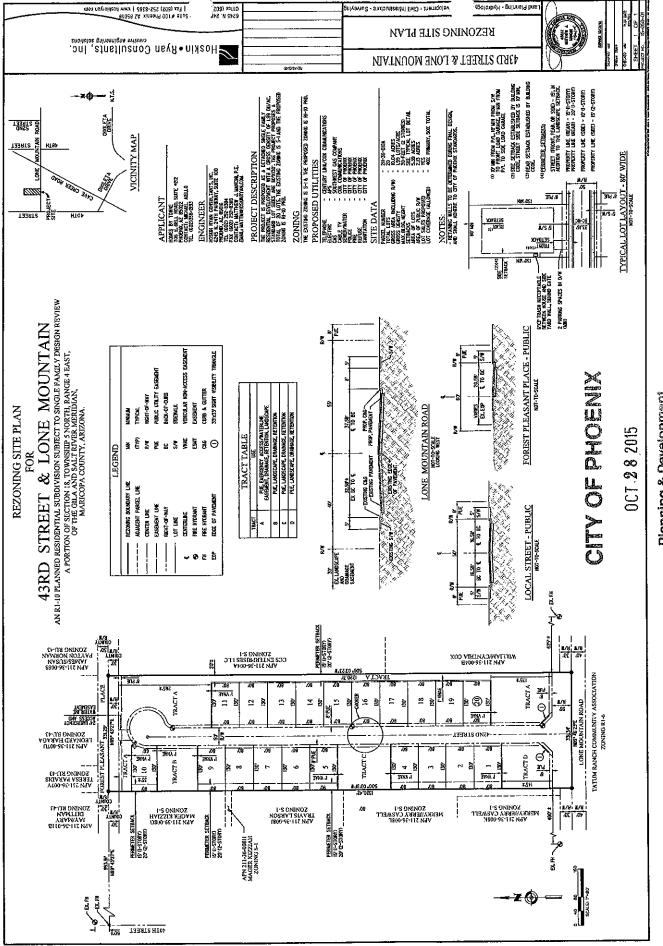
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#### **Attachments**

Zoning sketch Aerial Site plan dated October 28, 2015 (1 pages) Elevations dated October 28, 2015 (6 pages) Exhibit A (1 page)



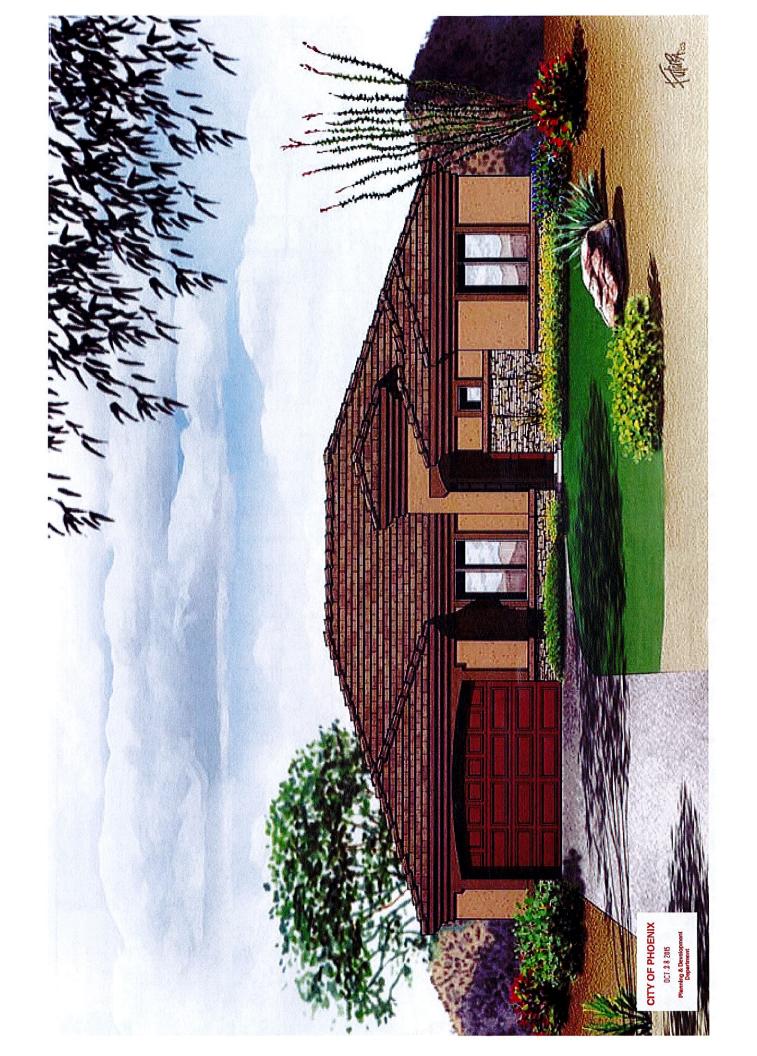




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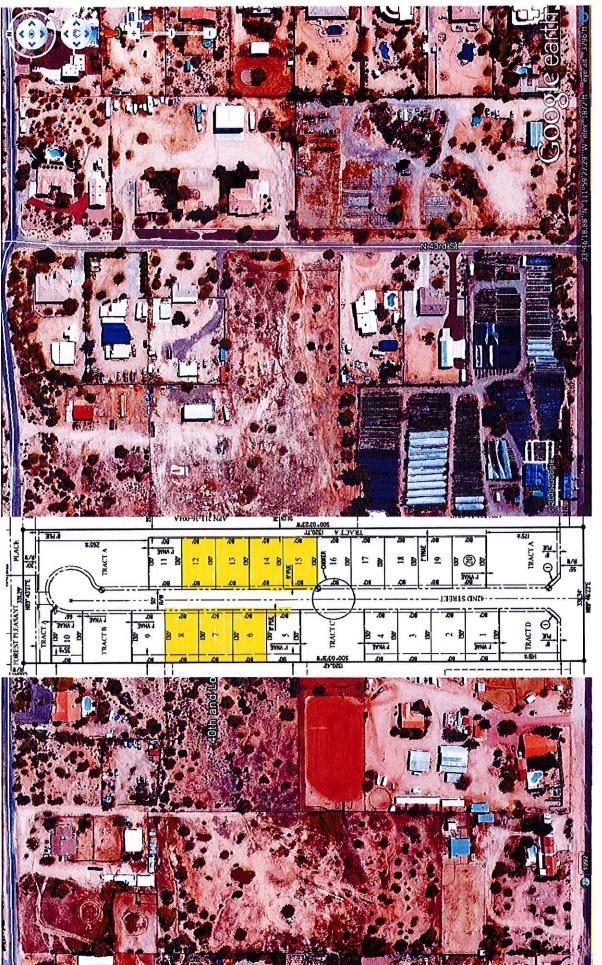


EXHIBIT "A"