

Alhambra Village Planning

Committee Hearing Date

Planning Commission Hearing Date

Request From: R-3A (4.44 acres) & R-O (1.03 acres)

Request To: R-3A (5.47 acres)

Proposed Use Multi-family Residential

Location Approximately 200 feet east of the

southeast corner of 23rd Avenue and

Northern Avenue

December 15, 2015

January 14, 2016

Owner Various Owners

Applicant's RepresentativeZoning Strategies LLC Attn: Jenifer Corey

Staff Recommendation Approval, subject to stipulations

General Plan Conformity						
General Plan Land Use Designation		Commercial				
Street Map Classification	Northern Avenue		Arterial	40-foot south half street		

CELEBRATE OUR DIVERSE COMMUNITIES AND NEIGHBORHOODS CORE VALUE; DIVERSE NEIGHBORHOODS; LAND USE PRINCIPLE: Include a mix of housing types and densities where appropriate within each village that support a broad range of lifestyles.

The proposed development will provide a new housing option for aging seniors.

CONNECT PEOPLE AND PLACES CORE VALUE; TRANSIT ORIENTED DEVELOPMENT; LAND USE PRINCIPLE: Encourage high-density housing and high intensity employment uses to locate adjacent or close to transit stations per adopted transit district plans.

This proposal is located within 2000 feet of a future light rail station, providing residents with access to an alternative mode of transportation.

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Surrounding Land Uses/Zoning				
	Land Use	Zoning		
On Site	Office / Multi-family residential / Day Care	R-O / R-3A		
North	Office / Fitness Club	C-O / C-2		
South	Single Family Residential	R-3		
East	Single Family Residential	R-3		
West	Office	C-O		

	R-3A Multi-Family	*if variance required
<u>Standards</u>	PRD Requirements	Provisions on the Proposed site Plan
Gross Acreage	-	5.47
Total Number of Units	-	143
Density	23.1; 26.4 with bonus	26.4 (met)
Lot Coverage	45%	34.2% (met)
BUILDING HEIGHT/STORIES	3 stories or 40' for 150'; 1' in 5' increase to 48', 4-story maximum	3 stories (met)
Setbacks		
Front	10 feet	10 feet (met)
PRD Perimeter Standards - Street	20 feet adjacent to a public street; this area to be in common ownership unless lots front on the perimeter public street	20 feet (met)
PRD Perimeter Standards - Interior	15 feet adjacent to property line	15 feet (met)
Open space	5% of gross area	20% (met)
Amenities	2 or more	2+ provided (met)
Parking	1.5 spaces per unit 1.5 x 143 = 216 required	70 * (not met)

Background/Issues/Analysis

- 1. City Council approved Z-124-14-5 in February 2014 to rezone 4.44 acres from C-O, R-3, and R-3 SP to R-3A to allow for a multi-family residential development. This application will extend the project boundaries to include an additional lot to the east.
- 2. This is a request to rezone 5.47 acres from R-O (1.03 acres) and R-3A (4.44 acres) to R-3A (Multi-family Residential) to allow for a multi-family residential development.

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3. The property is currently split into six separate lots. The western lot is occupied by a small office. The lot to the east of the western lot is occupied by a small multi-family development. The two lots to the east of the multi-family development are occupied by another small office and the next lot to the east is occupied by a day care. Finally the eastern most lot is occupied by a single family residence.

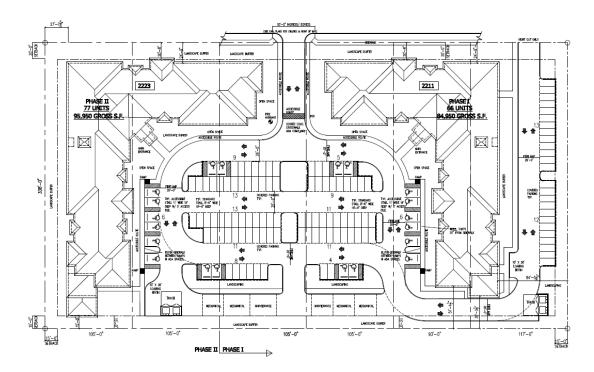


4. The General Plan designation for the parcel is Commercial. Although the proposal is not consistent with the General Plan designation, an amendment is not required as the subject parcel is less than 10 acres.

PROPOSAL

5. The property owner is proposing two, three story L-shaped multi-family residential buildings for senior housing. One building will be constructed along the west and north sides of the property, and another along the north and east sides of the property. The buildings are designed with architectural details such as brick and pitched roofs to help blend in with the surrounding neighborhood. The proposed height of both buildings decreases to one story along the south property line to be sensitive to the adjacent single family neighborhood. Vehicle access to the site is provided through a driveway between the two buildings and in the middle of the north frontage on Northern Avenue. The primary parking is provided in the interior of the site with additional parking provided along the east property line. Landscaping provides a buffer around the perimeter of the property. A stipulation has been added regarding general conformance to the site plan and elevations.

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6. Although the properties to the south of the subject property have a multi-family zoning designation, they are developed as single family residential. The applicant has agreed to match the stepback provision for a multi-family residential development adjacent to a single family zoning district for this portion of the property. A stipulation has been added to address this requirement.

STREETS

- 7. The Streets Transportation Department has indicated that the developer shall dedicate a minimum 10 foot sidewalk easement along the south half of Northern Avenue for the length of the project and provide a detached sidewalk with a 5 foot wide landscaped strip between sidewalk and back of curb. Stipulations are recommended to address these requests.
- 8. The Streets Transportation Department has indicated that the developer shall update all existing off-street improvements to current ADA guidelines. A stipulation is recommended to address this request.
- The City of Phoenix Floodplain Management division of the Street Transportation Department has determined that this parcel is not in a Special Flood Hazard Area (SFHA), but is located in a Shaded Zone X, on panel 1740 L of the Flood Insurance Rate Maps (FIRM) dated October 16, 2013.

OTHER

10. 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 abandonment may be required.

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Findings

- 1. As stipulated, the proposal would be appropriately buffered from the single family residential to the south.
- 2. The development would consolidate several smaller parcels along an arterial and close to light rail into a larger comprehensive redevelopment.
- 3. The increase in traffic to the property would not be excessive and diversity in housing types would be a benefit to the surrounding community.

Stipulations

- 1. The development shall be in general conformance with the site plan and elevations date stamped November 3, 2015, as modified by the following stipulations and approved by the Planning and Development Department with specific regard to the following:
 - A. The building height shall be limited to 15-feet within ten feet of the south property line, which may be increased one foot for each additional one foot of building setback to the maximum permitted height.
- 2. The developer shall dedicate a 10 foot sidewalk easement on Northern Avenue for the length of the project, as approved by the Planning and Development Department.
- 3. The sidewalk along the Northern Avenue frontage shall be detached with a minimum five foot wide landscaped strip located between the sidewalk and back of curb as approved by the Planning and Development Department.
- 4. 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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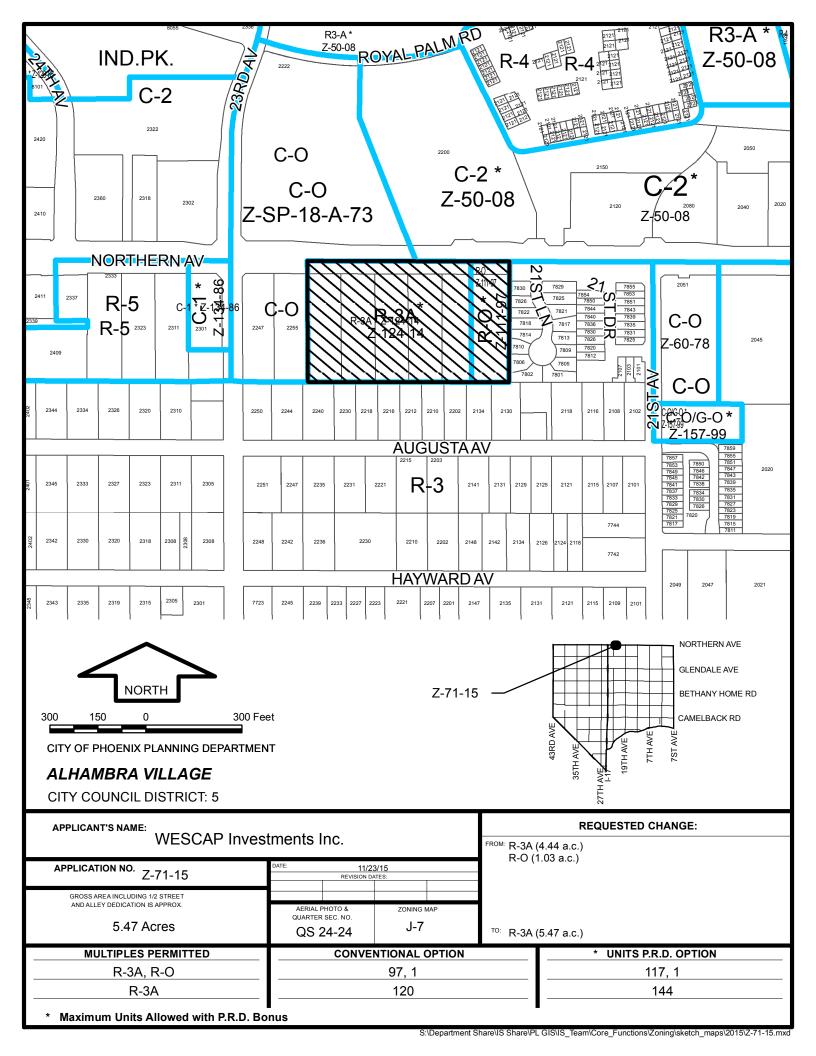
Attachments

Sketch Map

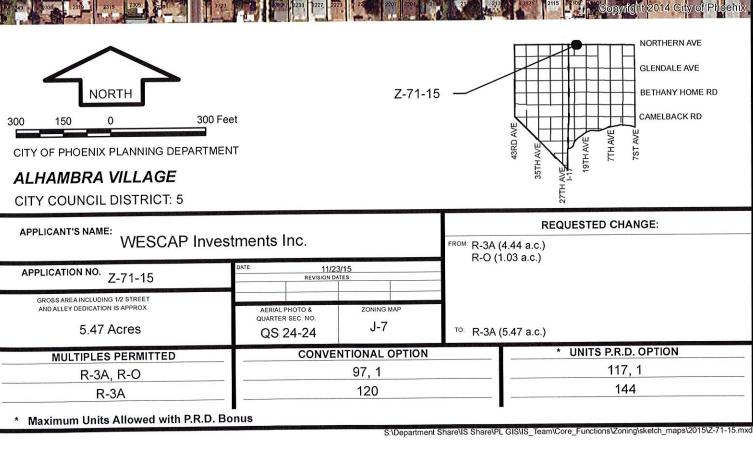
Aerial

Site Plan date stamped November 3, 2015 (1 page)

Elevations date stamped November 3, 2015 (2 pages)







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