

REPORT TO CITY PLAN COMMISSION

Plan Commission Informal Hearing Meeting Date: June 25, 2019

Common Council Public Hearing Meeting Date: July 24, 2019 (Public Hearing on Rezoning)

Item: Rezoning #6-19 – Cypress Annexation (N. Haymeadow Avenue)

Case Manager: Jessica Titel

GENERAL INFORMATION

Owner/Applicant: Cypress Homes, Inc. c/o Mike Blank

Applicant: City of Appleton Plan Commission

Address/Parcel: N. Haymeadow Avenue (Tax Id #31-6-5802-00, formerly Tax Id #101039315 in the Town of Grand Chute). The subject property is located south of West Edgewood Drive and west of North Haymeadow Avenue.

Petitioner's Request: To assign a permanent zoning classification to newly annexed property, pursuant to Section 23-65(e) of the Municipal Code, from temporary AG Agricultural District to R-1B Single-Family District. The request is being made to facilitate future single-family residential development.

BACKGROUND

On June 19, 2019, Common Council adopted Ordinance 68-19, to annex the subject area from the Town of Grand Chute to the City of Appleton. The subject property was officially annexed to the City on June 25, 2019 at 12:01 a.m.

The subject property was annexed to the City with a Temporary AG Agricultural District zoning classification. During review of the Cypress Annexation, the Plan Commission initiated the process to rezone the subject property from Temporary AG Agricultural District to R-1B Single-Family District at the June 11, 2019 meeting.

STAFF ANALYSIS

Existing Site Conditions: The subject parcel is approximately 5.5180 acres in size and located south of West Edgewood Drive and west of North Haymeadow Avenue. The subject property connects to the City of Appleton at Clearfield Lane, Stratford Lane and Wentworth Lane right-of-way, which are each identified as local streets on the City's Arterial/Collector Plan. The subject property also connects via officially mapped extension of North Haymeadow Avenue. North Haymeadow Avenue is classified as a collector street on the City's Arterial/Collector Plan. Currently, the subject property consists of vacant, undeveloped land.

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Surrounding Zoning Classification and Land Uses:

North: Town of Grand Chute. The adjacent land use to the north is currently residential.

South: Town of Grand Chute. The adjacent land use to the south is currently agriculture.

East: R-1A Single Family Residential. The adjacent land use to the east is currently single-family residential.

West: Town of Grand Chute. The adjacent land use to the west is currently single-family residential.

Proposed Zoning Classification: The purpose of the R-1B Single-Family District is to provide for and maintain residential areas characterized predominately by single-family, detached dwellings on medium sized lots while protecting residential neighborhoods from the intrusion of incompatible non-residential uses. The development standards for the R-1B District are listed below:

- 1) *Minimum lot area:* 6,000 square feet.
- 2) Maximum lot coverage: 50%.
- 3) *Minimum lot width:* 50 feet.
- 4) *Minimum front yard:* 20 feet (25 feet on arterial street).
- 5) Minimum rear yard: 25 feet.
- 6) Minimum side yard: 6 feet.
- 7) Maximum building height: 35 feet.

Zoning Ordinance Review Criteria: Per Section 23-65(e) of the Municipal Code, a temporary zoning classification is assigned to newly annexed territory, with permanent zoning taking place following the annexation process. All territory annexed to the City is assigned a zoning classification as recommended by Plan Commission. The Plan Commission shall consider the following criteria in selection of an appropriate zoning district for the annexed land:

- The existing land uses within the territory to be annexed;
- The surrounding land uses that exist on adjacent properties regardless of municipal boundary lines;
- The comprehensive plan of the City.

In this case, the Plan Commission initiated a rezoning for the subject property, from temporary AG Agricultural District to a permanent zoning classification of R-1B Single-Family District. A rezoning initiated directly by Plan Commission is processed in accordance with Section 23-65(d), Zoning Map Amendments, which includes review and action by the Common Council. If approved, any future development would need to conform to the R-1B District zoning regulations listed above and other sections of the Zoning Ordinance.

Appleton Comprehensive Plan 2010-2030: The City of Appleton *Comprehensive Plan 2010-2030* identifies this area for future One and Two-Family Residential uses. The proposed R-1B Single-Family

District zoning classification is consistent with the Future Land Use Map. Listed below are related excerpts from the City's *Comprehensive Plan 2010-2030*.

Goal 1 – Community Growth

Appleton will continue to provide opportunities for residential, commercial, and industrial growth, including appropriate redevelopment sites within the downtown and existing neighborhoods, and greenfield development sites at the City's edge.

Goal 3 – Housing Quality, Variety, and Affordability

Appleton will provide a variety of rental and ownership housing choices in a range of prices affordable to community residents, and ensure that existing housing is adequately maintained in terms of physical quality and market viability.

5.1 OBJECTIVE: Continue efforts to ensure an adequate supply of housing affordable to all income levels in the community.

5.3 OBJECTIVE: Provide a range of housing options that meet the needs and appeal to all segments of the community and allows residents to age in place.

Standards for Zoning Map Amendments: Per Section 23-65(d)(3) of the Municipal Code, all recommendations for Official Zoning Map amendments shall be consistent with the adopted plans, goals, and policies of the City and with the intent of the Zoning Ordinance. Related excerpts are listed below.

- a. Prior to making a recommendation on a proposed rezoning, the Plan Commission shall make a finding to determine if the following conditions exist. No rezoning of land shall be approved prior to finding at least one of the following:
 - 1. The request for a zone change is in conformance with the Comprehensive Plan for the City of Appleton. *The rezoning request is in conformance with the Comprehensive Plan 2010-2030 goals and objectives stated above and the Future Land Use Map, which identifies this area for future one and two family residential land uses.*
 - 2. A study submitted by the applicant that indicates that there has been an increase in the demand for land in the requested zoning district, and as a result, the supply of land within the City mapped as such on the Official Zoning Map, is inadequate to meet the demands for such development.
 - 3. Proposed amendments cannot be accommodated by sites already zoned in the City due to lack of transportation, utilities or other development constraints, or the market to be served by the proposed use cannot be effectively served by the location of the existing zoning district(s).
 - 4. There is an error in the code text or zoning map as enacted.
- b. In addition to the findings required to be made by subsection (a), findings shall be made by the Plan Commission on each of the following matters based on the evidence presented:

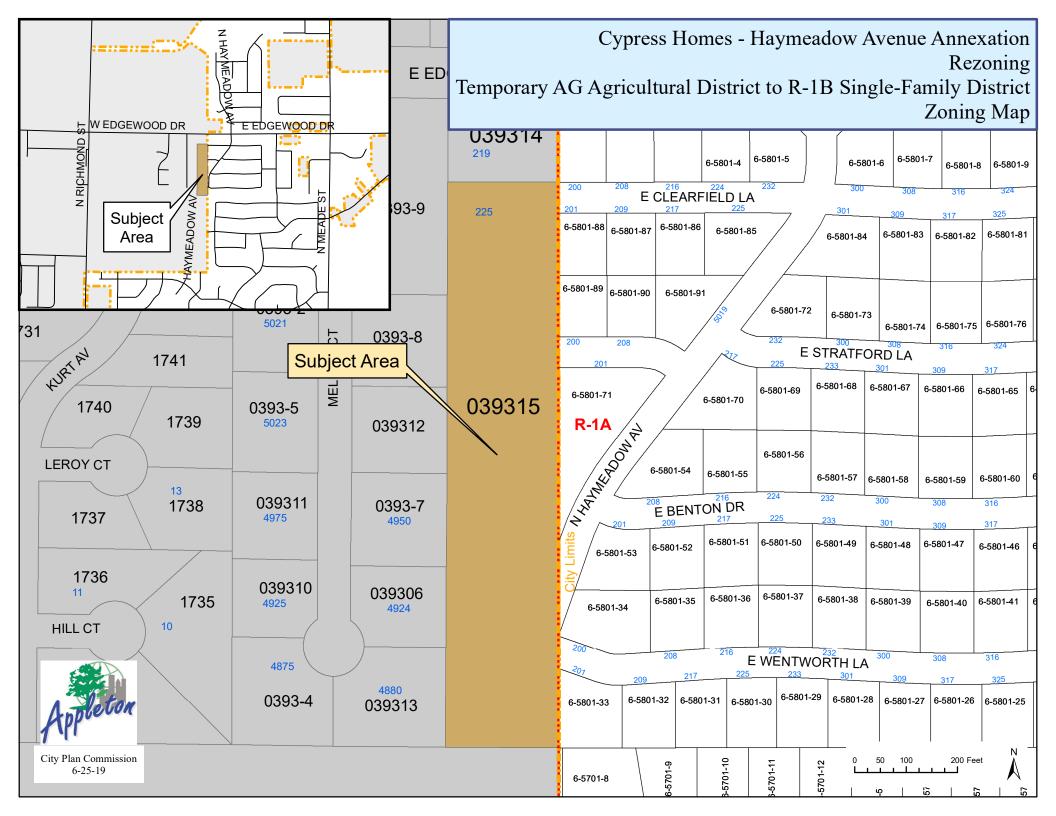
- 1. The adequacy of public facilities such as transportation, utilities and other required public services to serve the proposed site. *City sanitary sewer and water infrastructure is already installed within adjacent right-of-ways. The improvements needed to connect to City utilities will be reviewed at the time of a development proposal being submitted.*
- 2. The effect of the proposed rezoning on surrounding uses. Single-family residential uses are already located to the north, west and east of the subject site. Property to the south of the subject area primarily consists of vacant, undeveloped land. Therefore, the proposed rezoning request is unlikely to create adverse impacts in the surrounding neighborhood.

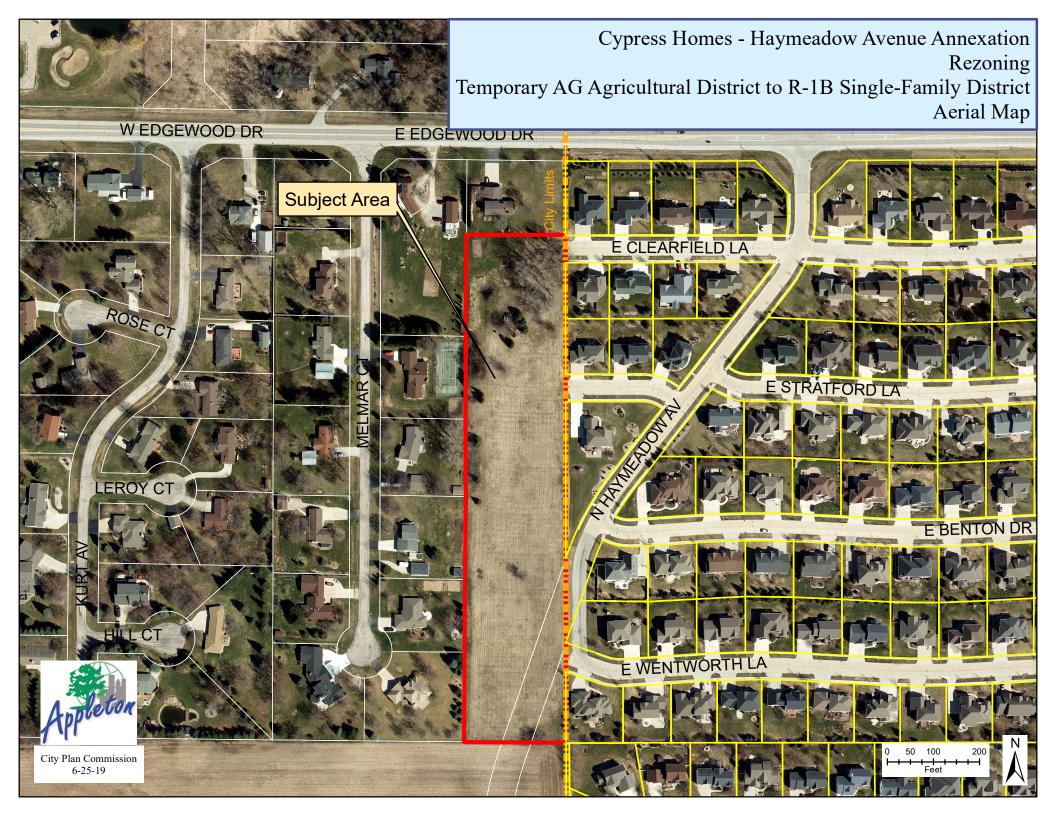
Review Criteria: Based upon the above analysis, it would appear the criteria established by Section 23-65(d)(3) Zoning Amendments has been satisfied.

Technical Review Group (TRG) Report: This item was discussed at the May 21, 2019 Technical Review Group meeting. No negative comments were received from participating departments.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends, based upon the standards for zoning map amendments as required by Section 23-65(d)(3) of the Zoning Ordinance, that Rezoning Application #6-19 to rezone the subject parcel located on N. Haymeadow Avenue (Tax Id #31-6-5802-00, formerly Tax Id #101039315 in the Town of Grand Chute) from temporary AG Agricultural District to R-1B Single-Family District, as shown on the attached map, **BE APPROVED**.





<u>CYPRESS HOMES</u> <u>Tax Id #31-6-5802-00 (formerly Tax Id #101039315 in the Town of Grand Chute)</u>

Lot 2 of Certified Survey Map No. 7013 filed in Volume 42 of Certified Survey Maps on Page 7013 as Document No. 2047169, located in and being a part of the Northeast ¼ of the Northwest ¼ of Section 11, Township 21 North, Range 17 East, City of Appleton, Outagamie County, Wisconsin.