Proposal: Zone Change Current Zone: OST Proposed Zone: A-5

Acres: 5.01

Project location: AV-1351-C

Number of Lots: 1

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The applicant is proposing to change the zoning from the current OST to a proposed A-5. The property is located at 325 North Cougar Lane (AV-1351-C) and is 5.01 acres in size. As stated in the application the purpose for the zone change is to align the zoning of this property with neighboring parcels.

The property is currently zoned OST. Surrounding zoning is RE-1 to the north, RE-20 to the east, RE-5 to the south and Open Space Conservation (OSC) to the west. The General Plan for this property is Agricultural. The applicant is asking to change the zone from OST to A-5 which is in line with the General Plan map.

When looking at Section 2 of the General Plan, it is apparent that this zone change is in line with section 2.3 - Major Land Use Themes - as this proposal would require lots to be 5 acres in size or larger. Furthermore, in section 2.4 - Land Use Goals it is stated as a goal, "Maintain the small-town, rural feel of Apple Valley". It appears this zone change application is in line with the intent of the General as it would create larger lot sizes and help preserve the agricultural and historic heritage of Apple Valley.

Access to the property is off of 400 North. The town may want to look at roadway connectivity in this area and consider the possibility of Cougar Ln connecting to 400 North.