



TREE BOARD RECOMMENDATION
KID CITY USA (P23-066-CZD)
MEETING DATE: FEBRUARY 20th, 2024

PETITION REQUEST: Rezoning: Kid City USA- Conditional Zoning District (PID-CZD)

- APPLICANT/PETITIONER: David Lee, New Leaf Sales LLC [Applicant & Owner]

TREE BOARD ACTION SUMMARY:

The developer presented to the Tree Board at their regular meeting on Tuesday February 20th, 2024. The following Tree Board members were present: Janet Thew (Chair), Becca Doll, Mary Davis, Glenn Lange

SUMMARY

There are a total of 7 trees that are 12” or greater DBH on the site. 7 of these trees and some smaller DBH existing trees are proposed to be preserved.

MOTION

Based on the Landscape Plans provided on 10/16/23, the Tree Board recommends the following conditions:

Invasive trees, shrubs and ground cover shall be removed, particularly English Ivy, throughout the site, especially from trees that will be preserved. Care shall be taken to not substantively disturb the root systems of preserved trees. Invasive trees and shrubs can be cut off at ground level and the stump treated to kill the roots. Control of English Ivy shall be confined to the recommendations found in the North Carolina Extension publication “Controlling English Ivy in Urban Landscapes” **Developer Agreed**

All preserved trees shall be protected from grading and construction activities as prescribed in the zoning code Section 15-4 regardless of use as tree credits. **Developer Agreed in part.**

The developer’s Landscape Architect noted that it would not be feasible to meet the 1’ to 1” DBH requirement for the larger trees on site, but indicated they would provide as much as feasible and generally suggested they thought that 30’ would be feasible in large part.



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The Tree Board's recommended conditions, above, are based on the following guiding city code documents: Municipal Code, Chapter 46, Article IV, Division I, Trees & Shrubs, Section 46, 116 & 117; the Zoning Code, Article XV Buffering, Screening & Landscaping Sections 15-1, A & C and 15-4 A; the Subdivision Ordinance, Purpose and Intent, Section 1.04, Part H; and the Comprehensive Plan, Vision Statement, Section 3.1 Purpose, Sections 3.2 and Section 3.3, Goal NR-1, Strategy NR 1.1 and NR 1.2 and Goal NR-2, Strategy 2.3; and the City Council's adoption (Feb., 2021) of core values and beliefs as guiding principles as they apply to the prioritization of existing tree canopy.

BOARD ACTION

Motion/Second: Lange/Doll Yeas: All Nays: None Recused: None