Public Hearing



To: Town Council

From: Travis Morgan

Date: 4/11/2023

Re: Vogue Tower/Sportsplex Conditional Plan Amendment (Public Hearing/Action Item)

BACKGROUND:

(UPDATE) Approximately 446'-5" of sidewalks have now been included along Dorman Road. See packet attachement #5 C-2.1 and C-2.2.

The property at 13333 Dorman Road has previous received site-specific approval for the Carolina soccer sportsplex from May 8th 2012. Initial applicant request was for a 120 foot tower in the front yard that was not permitted by section 6.5.12 Zoning Ordinance requirements. Tower heigh was increased sixty feet due to back location being that amount lower in elevation: 630 vs 570 elevation.

PROPOSAL:

Applicant Pat Troxell-Tant of Vogue Towers seeks your consideration for a new 180-foot monopole cell tower and associated 25' x 65' fenced equipment area. Communication towers in the RMX zoning district require conditional approval and meet section 6.5.12 (communication facilities and towers) of the Zoning Ordinance. (See following development summary)

DEVELOPMENT SUMMARY:

Location: 13333 Dorman Road (Carolina Sportsplex rear yard area)

Request: 180 foot monopole cell tower within a 25'x65' fenced leased area

Zoning: Existing: RMX (CD)

Proposed: RMX (CD) (amended)

Parcel Size: 56.48 acres
Parcel 13501 Dorman Size: 1.82 acres
Parcel Size: 58.3 acres total

STAFF COMMENT:

Plan is recommended with the addition of the sidewalks as shown. There does seem to be a need for the tower and is located approximately 1,600 feet from Dorman Road and at least 1,200 feet from nearest residences all outside of any fall zone or zoning buffer. Staff recommends any street sidewalk along Dorman Road not within the road right of way to have Town/Public easements. Staff recommends the incorporation of the 13501 Dorman property into the conditional plan. Any future changes to this property to meet all zoning requirements or come back before Town Council for conditional plan amendment. Proposal is found to be reasonable and consistent with adopted plans including the walkability goals and Comprehensive Plan.

Procedure:

This a public hearing to hear any public comment. If there are no additional questions or clarifications, you as council may close the public hearing and vote on the proposal following regular legislative process.