

# Workshop Meeting



**To:** Town Council  
**From:** Travis Morgan  
**Date:** 9/28/2020  
**Re:** **Lowes Outdoor Storage** (*Informational Item*)

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## **BACKGROUND:**

Lowes located at 10625 McMullen Creek has prior conditionally approved plan from 1990 and updated 1992 and in 2001/2002 for the front tool rental expansion (formally Sunbelt). Prior plan only allowed outdoor storage behind the building and within the garden center fencing only. The large front parking lot has steadily been used for more and more outdoor tractor-trailer storage, equipment, mulch, etc.

## **PROPOSAL:**

Travis Spicer on behalf of Lowes proposes a remedy for the outdoor storage beyond what standard zoning or the prior approved plan provides. The proposal moves the outdoor storage to the far back right of the property and screens it with evergreen hedge. The plan also makes allowance for 11 street side parking spaces to be used for sample sheds and playsets (see submitted plan).

## **STAFF SUMMARY:**

Staff welcomes the cleaning up and containment of the parking lot. The mulch and other parking lot storage has compromised the smooth flow of parking and traffic especially near the garden center entrance not to mention the general aesthetic driving along McMullen Creek Parkway. Staff recommends clarification; if approved, when exactly the improvements will be made. The property does have an ample amount of parking due to the original allowance of additional out parcel and strip shopping center square feet planned.