



STAFF REPORT

Planning Commission Meeting

Subject: BTP (Business Technology Park) Zoning Classification

1. **Background/History:** The Comprehensive Plan has made mention of attracting quality economic development projects to the Town of Tyrone, specifically on the northern portion of the SR-74 corridor. Subsequent Council retreats and public input sessions associated with the comprehensive plan update confirmed this desire and noted that the zoning ordinance should be modified to better accommodate this vision and desire.
2. **Findings/Current Activity:** After performing research and coordinating with entities such as the Fayette County Development Authority, staff has formulated a Business Technology Park (BTP) zoning classification intended on accommodating quality economic development projects to Tyrone in an effort to bolster the local economy and job market. The difference between this district and the M-1 or M-2 district is that it more accurately reflects citizen desires for the northern corridor of SR-74 as well as the unincorporated county's future development strategy in hopes to ease the annexation process. Many of the uses intended for this district are light assembly, manufacturing, production, and fabrication as well as industries focused on medical, technology, and research facility expansion. Ancillary support uses are allowed as well.

Uses such as outdoor storage facilities, exclusive warehousing & distribution facilities, trucking establishments, heavy manufacturing not housed within a building, heavy material dealers and mining operations are not intended for this district.

This district is meant to operate in tandem with the Town's Quality Growth Overlay district for SR-74 which helps guide architecture, landscaping, and transportation to a high standard.

3. **Actions/Options/Recommendations:** Staff recommends approval of this item.
4. **Planning Commission Recommendation:**