

**MOBILE TREE COMMISSION
STAFF REPORT****Date: March 24, 2015****APPLICANT NAME**

Pinebrook Investments

LOCATION4059 Airport Blvd
(South side of Airport Blvd, 400' West of Westmoreland Dr East, in the median between service road and Airport Blvd.)**REQUEST**

Remove 30" Live Oak tree for construction of a Slip Lane.

**CITY COUNCIL
DISTRICT**

District 5

PRESENT ZONING

R-1, Single-Family Residential

HEALTH OF TREE

Some health issues such as included bark and minor cankers.

**CONTRIBUTING
FACTORS**

Removal of the tree is needed for construction of a slip lane related to the redevelopment of Pinebrook Shopping Center at the intersection of Airport and McGregor.

**ENGINEERING
COMMENTS**

None

**TRAFFIC ENGINEERING
COMMENTS**

None

**URBAN FORESTRY
COMMENTS**

The 30" live oak shows some evidence of included bark, which happens when two or more branches grow at acute angles to one another, producing a wedge of bark between them. There is deadwood in the canopy, along with minor cankers seen on some of the limbs. For these reasons Urban Forestry recommends approval of the removal of this tree.

**PLANNING
COMMENTS**

Construction of the slip lane that necessitate removal of this tree is related to the redevelopment of the Pinebrook Shopping Center. Part of that redevelopment includes the installation of a new traffic signal at the main entrance to the shopping center and other traffic and circulation improvements, both on and off site. The slip

lane is part of the recommendation of a Traffic Impact Study associated with this project, and is needed to optimize traffic and the new signal.

MAWSS

None

ANALYSIS

As stated above, the purpose for the removal of the tree is to allow construction of a slip lane related to the installation of a new traffic signal on Airport Boulevard. These improvements, and others, are related to the redevelopment of the Pinebrook Shopping Center, which is located at the intersection of Airport Boulevard and McGregor Avenue.

In addition, as indicated by Urban Forestry Comments, there are health issues with the tree in question. While these issues may not result in the imminent demise of the tree, they are issues that in conjunction with the need for the slip lane, justify removal of the tree.

RECOMMENDATION

Based on the preceding, it is recommended that this application be approved subject to the following conditions:

- 1. All work is to be done by a licensed and bonded contractor;**
- 2. All work is to be done at the applicant's expense; and**
- 3. All work in the right-of-way requires a Right-of-Way Permit.**



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APPLICATION FOR PERMIT

CITY OF MOBILE
MOBILE TREE COMMISSION

Application No. _____
Date: _____

1. Applicant:

Name: Pinebrook Investment, LLC
Address: 3964 Airport Boulevard
Mobile, Alabama Zip Code: 36608
E-mail: don@rowesurveying.com
Telephone Number: (251) 666-2766

2. Owner (if different from applicant):

Name: _____
Address: _____
Zip Code: _____
E-mail: _____
Telephone Number: _____

3. Location of Tree: The tree is 300 ft West of Westmorland Drive E City Council District: _____

4. Type of Tree: Oak Trim: _____ Remove: X

5. Approximate Diameter four (4) feet from the ground: 30 in Height: 27 ft

6. Reason for Removal or Trimming as Requested: To allow the installation of a slip lane exit from Airport Boulevard requested by Traffic Engineering.

WTZ
Applicant

Owner – if different from applicant

Application Fee - None

Applicant must be present at meeting to represent request.

All supporting information must be submitted with the application (Four Copies) by filing date.

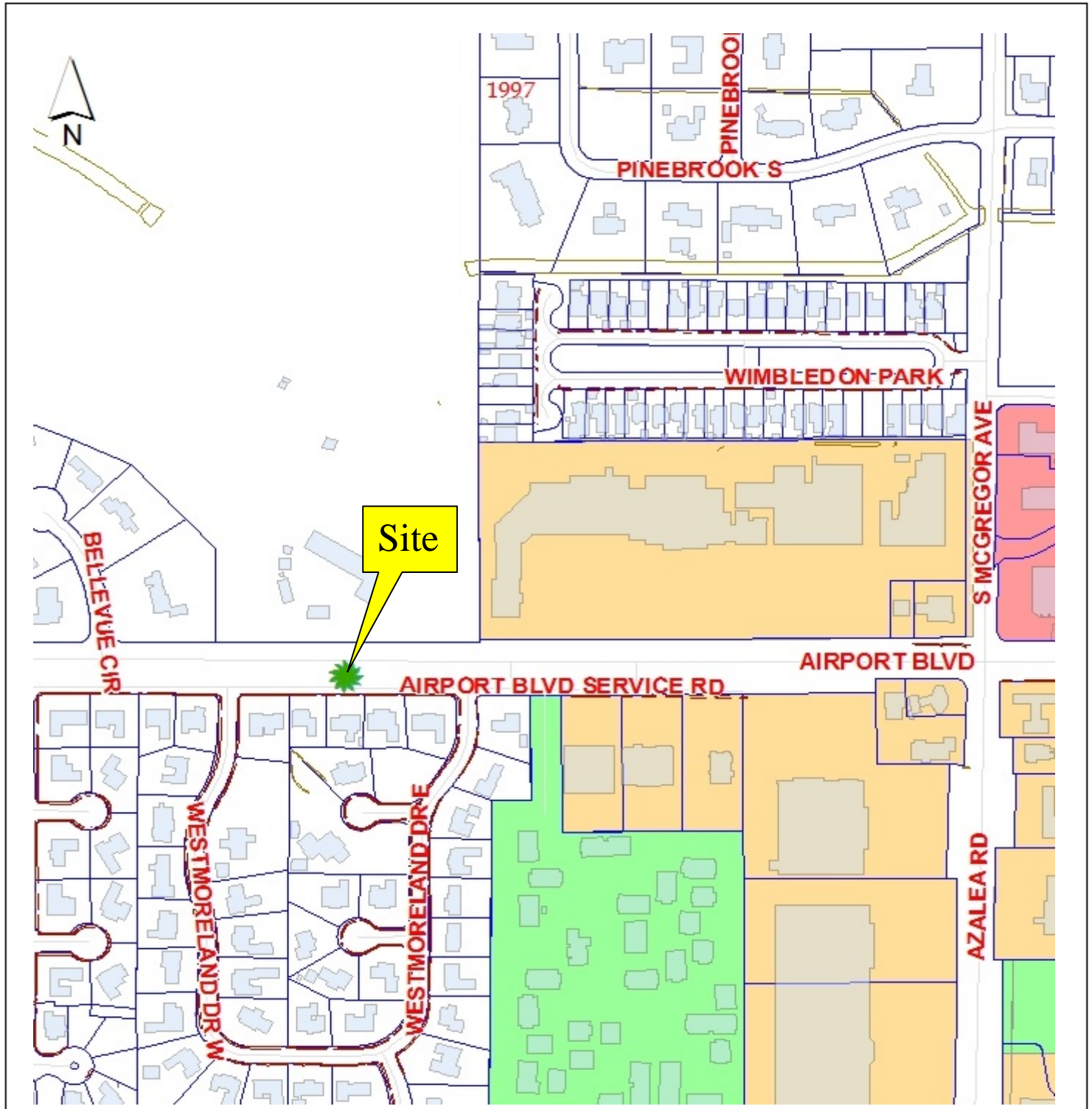
Appeals must be made in writing to the City of Mobile Planning Commission within 15 days of the meeting.

Major projects involving multiple trees may be held over to the following month's agenda due to the time required by staff to investigate.

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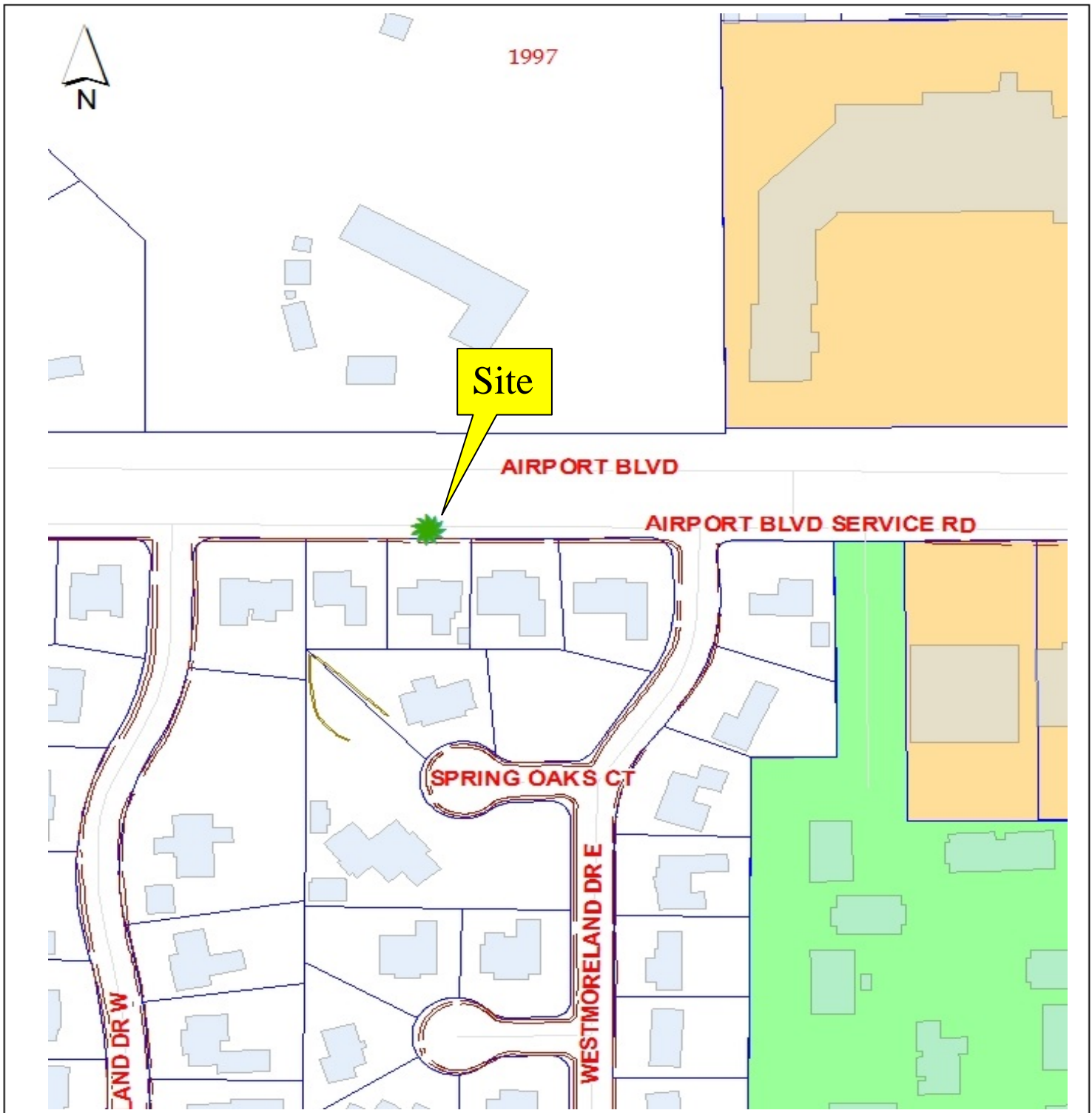
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