



Agenda Item # 1 - EXTENSION

SUB-002990-2024

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DETAILS

Location:

261 Rickarby Street

Subdivision Name:

Woodcock Place Subdivision

Applicant / Agent:

Terry Harbin, Affordable Homes Gulf Coast

Property Owners:

Affordable Homes Gulf Coast

Current Zoning:

R-1, Single-Family Residential Urban District

Future Land Use:

Institutional

Applicable Codes, Policies, and Plans:

- Unified Development Code
- Subdivision Regulations
- Map for Mobile Comprehensive Plan

Proposal:

- Subdivision approval to create twenty-two (22) legal lots of record from one (1) metes-and-bounds parcel.

Commission Considerations:

- One-year extension of previous approval.

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WOODCOCK PLACE SUBDIVISION



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SITE HISTORY

The subject site was developed with the Woodcock Elementary School in approximately 1927. The site came before the Board of Zoning Adjustment at its March 12, 2001 meeting, to allow the addition of a 72-foot tall telecommunications tower on the site.

The subject site was before the Planning Commission at its July 18, 2024 meeting for Subdivision approval of 22 lots. The Subdivision was approved with eleven (11) conditions.

The Final Plat for the Subdivision was signed on October 6, 2025, but has not yet been recorded.

STAFF COMMENTS

Engineering Comments:

No comments.

Traffic Engineering Comments:

No comments.

Urban Forestry Comments:

Property to be developed in compliance with state and local laws that pertain to tree preservation and protection on both city and private properties [Act 929 of the 1961 Regular Session of the Alabama Legislature (Acts 1961, p. 1487), as amended, and City Code Chapters 57 and 65]. Private removal of trees in the right-of-way will require approval of the Mobile Tree Commission. Removal of heritage trees from undeveloped residential sites, developed residential sites in historic districts, and all commercial sites will require a tree removal permit.

Fire Department Comments:

All projects located within the City Limits of Mobile shall comply with the provisions of the City of Mobile Fire Code Ordinance, which adopts the 2021 edition of the International Fire Code (IFC).

Fire apparatus access roads shall be provided to within 150 feet of all non-sprinklered commercial buildings and within 300 feet of all sprinklered commercial buildings, as measured along an approved route around the exterior of the facility.

An approved fire water supply capable of meeting the requirements set forth in Appendices B and C of the 2021 IFC shall be provided for all commercial buildings. Fire hydrant placement shall comply with the following minimum standards:

- Within 400 feet of non-sprinklered commercial buildings
- Within 600 feet of sprinklered commercial buildings
- Within 100 feet of fire department connections (FDCs) serving standpipe or sprinkler systems

Although the International Residential Code (IRC) functions as a stand-alone document for the construction of one- and two-family dwellings and townhouses, it does not govern the design or layout of emergency access or

community-level fire protection infrastructure. Therefore, residential developments must also comply with the applicable requirements of the International Fire Code, including, but not limited to, those listed above concerning the design, construction, regulation, and maintenance of fire apparatus access roads and fire protection water supplies.

Planning Comments:

The applicant is requesting a one-year extension of approval of the Subdivision and provides the following justification:

Subdivision is complete and all engineering documentation has been submitted to City of Mobile Engineering but in order to stay on schedule with ARPA funding expenditure guidelines, we need to begin construction of the 22 homes ASAP.

There have been no changes in conditions in the surrounding area that would affect the Subdivision as previously approved.

SUBDIVISION CONSIDERATIONS

Standards of Review:

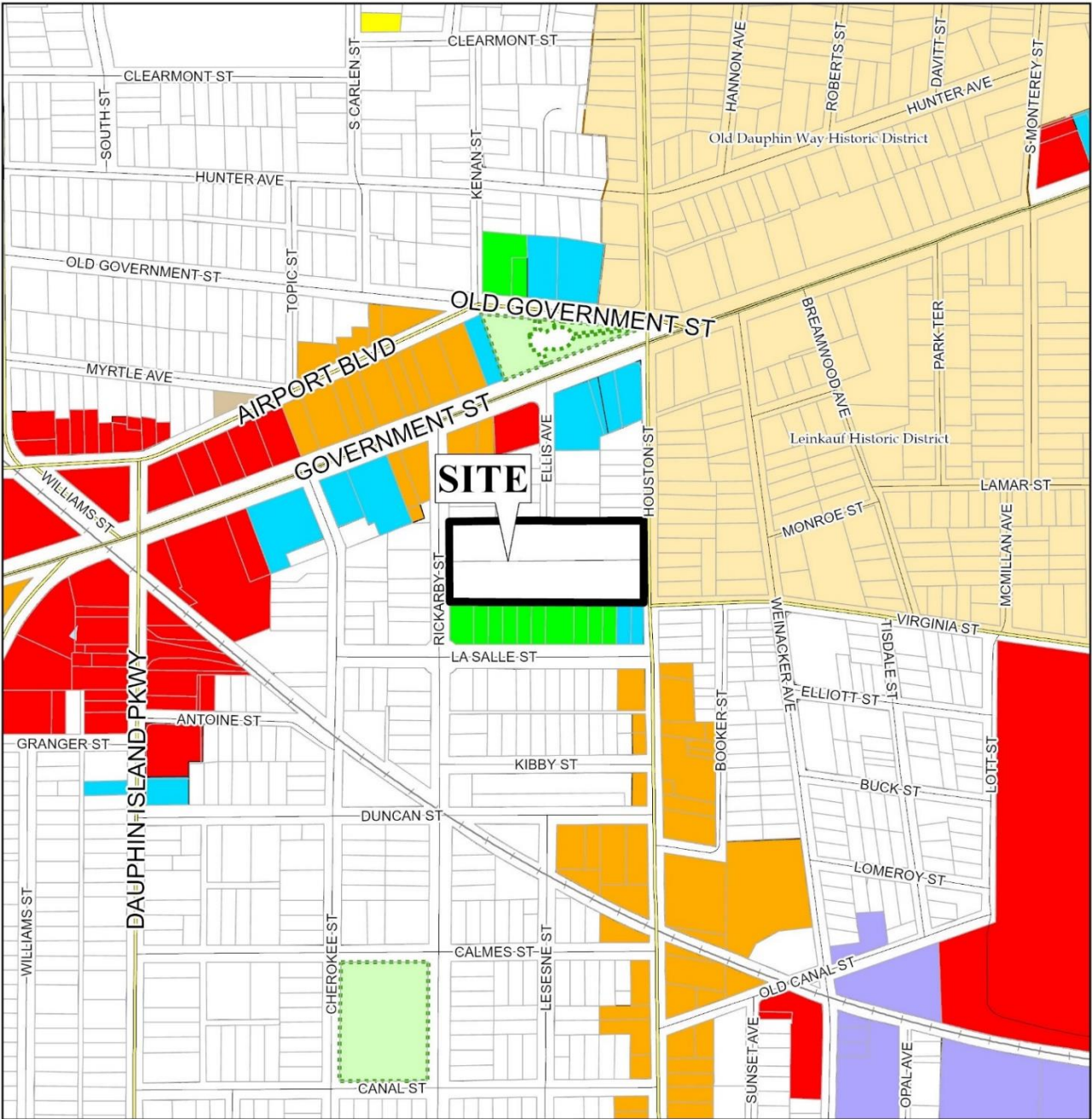
Subdivision review examines the site with regard to promoting orderly development, protecting general health, safety and welfare, and ensuring that development is correlated with adjacent developments and public utilities and services, and to ensure that the subdivision meets the minimum standards set forth in the Subdivision Regulations for lot size, road frontage, lot configuration, etc.

Considerations:

If the Planning Commission considers approving the extension request, the previous conditions of approval should still apply:

1. Retention of the rights-of-way along all street frontages on the Final Plat;
2. Revision of the Final Plat to depict a minimum five-foot (5') front yard setback or retention of the proposed 25-foot (25') front setback;
3. Retention of the lot sizes in square feet and acres on the Final Plat or provision of a table on the Final Plat with the same information;
4. Removal of all side and rear yard setbacks from the Final Plat;
5. Depiction of all easements on the Final Plat;
6. Placement of a note on the Final Plat stating that no structures are allowed to encroach into an easement without the permission of the easement holder;
7. Removal of all existing structures on the subject site, with all necessary permits, prior to the signing of the Final Plat;
8. Compliance with all Engineering comments noted in the staff report;
9. Placement of a note on the Final Plat stating the Traffic Engineering comments noted in the staff report;
10. Compliance with all Urban Forestry comments noted in the staff report; and
11. Compliance with all Fire Department comments noted in the staff report.

LOCATOR ZONING MAP



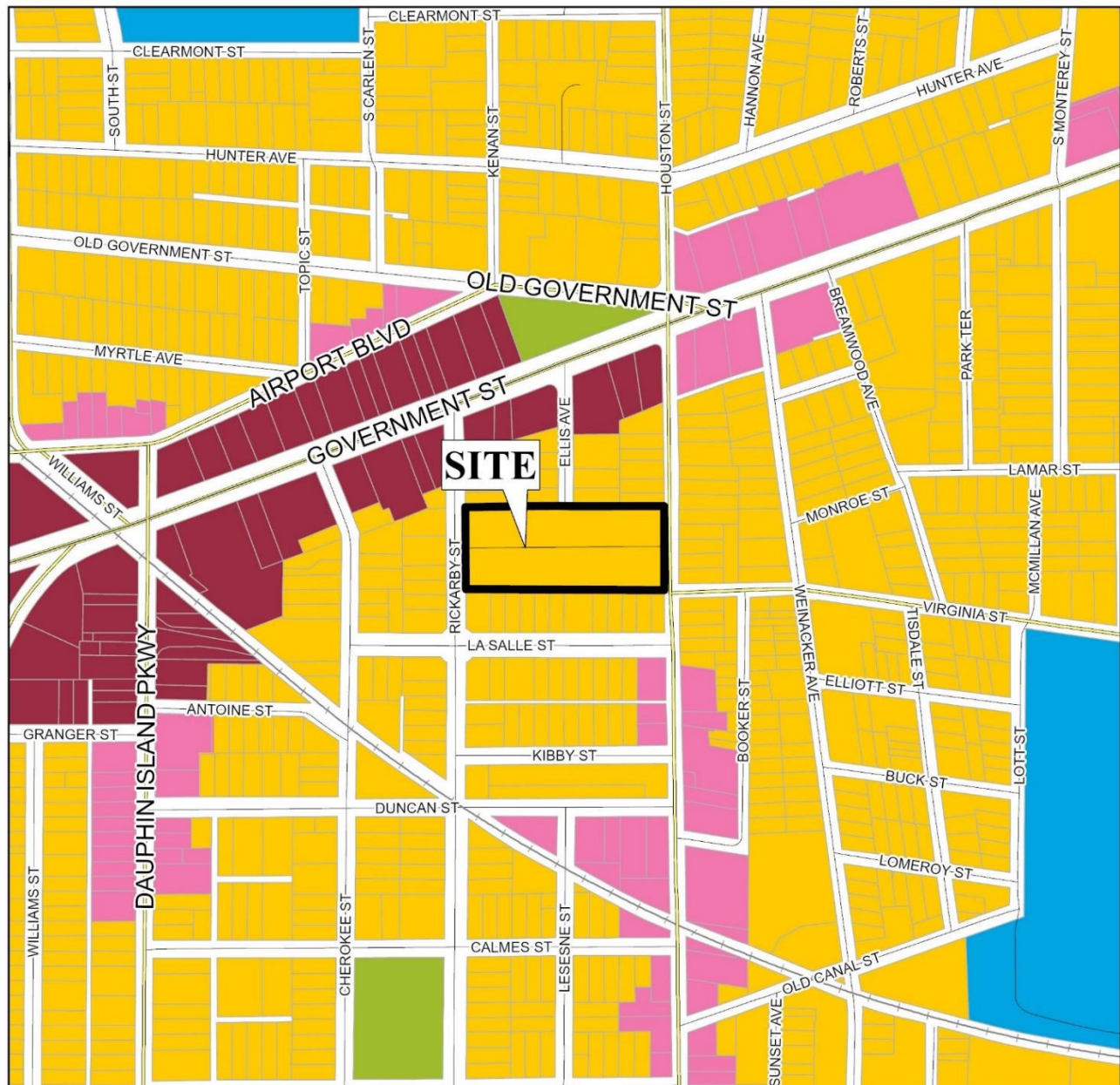
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REQUEST Subdivision



FLUM LOCATOR MAP



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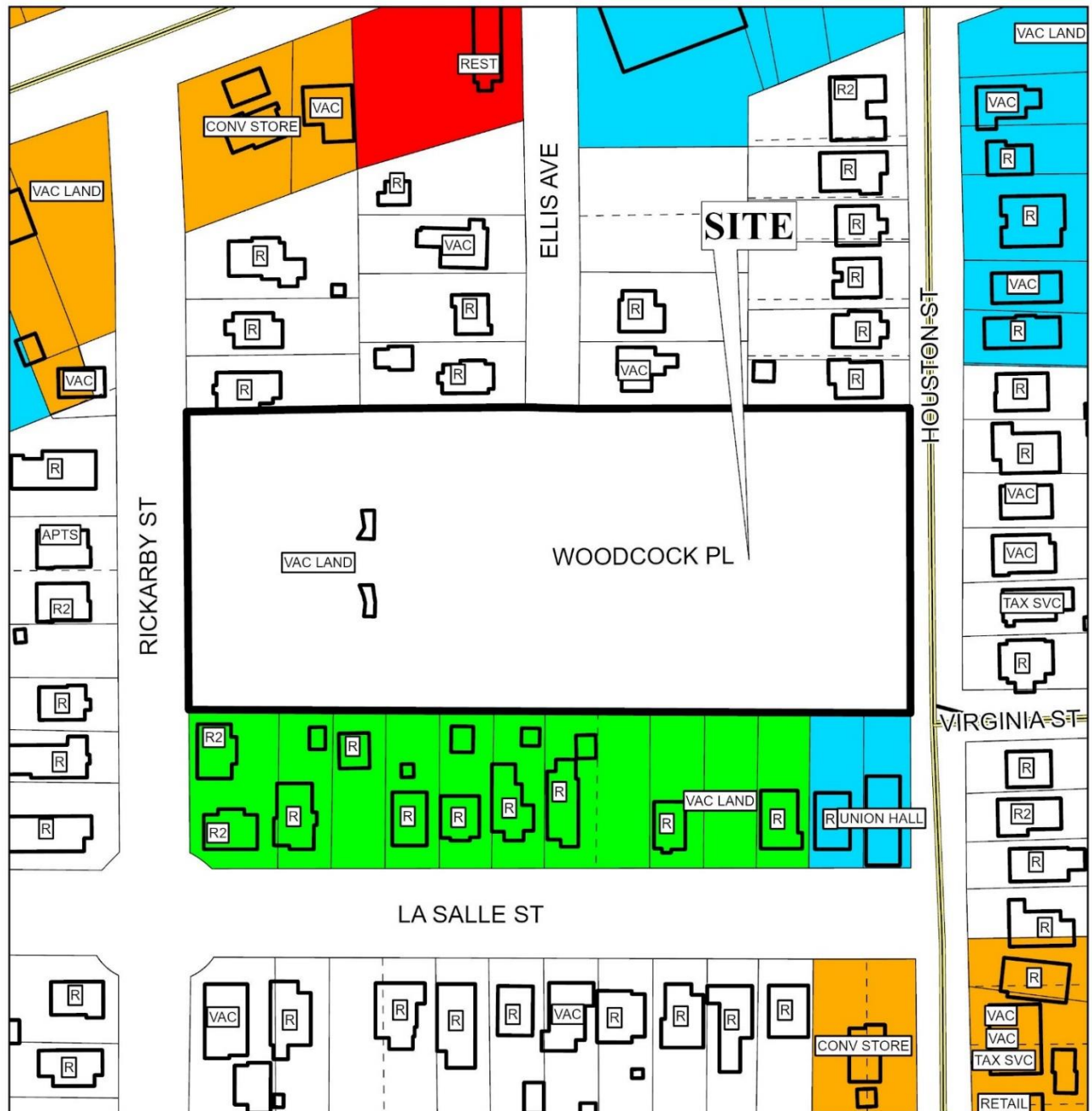
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| ■ Low Density Residential | ■ Neighborhood Center - Traditional | ■ Light Industry | ■ Water Dependent |
| ■ Mixed Density Residential | ■ Neighborhood Center - Suburban | ■ Heavy Industry | |
| ■ Downtown | ■ Traditional Corridor | ■ Institutional | |
| ■ District Center | ■ Mixed Commercial Corridor | ■ Parks, Open Space | |



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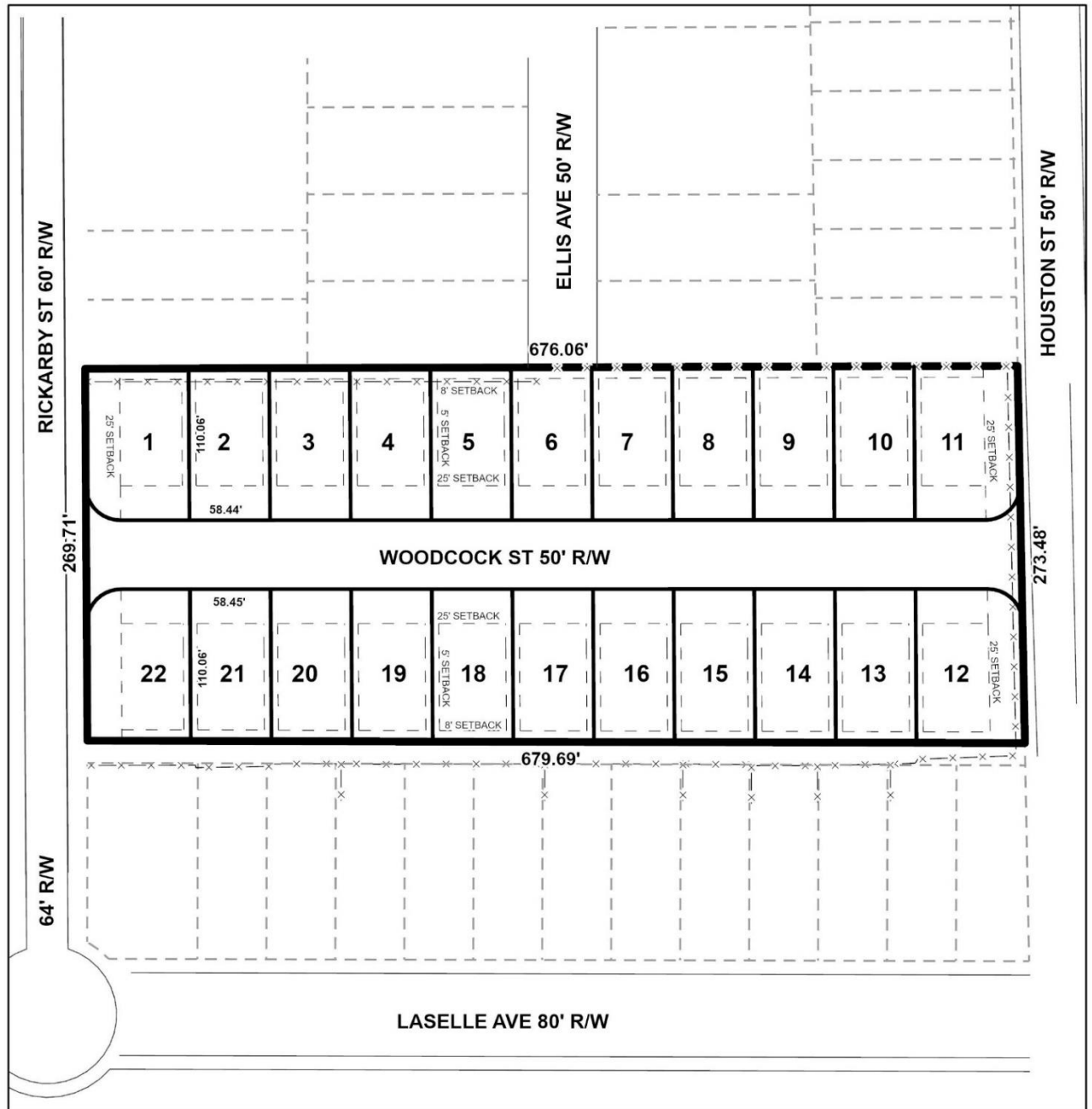
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DETAIL SITE PLAN



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The designation of an area with a FLUM land use category does not mean that the most intense zoning district consistent with that category is “automatically” assigned to a property. Instead, an area retains its existing zoning category until it is changed through a landowner-initiated rezoning application, or a rezoning that follows an area plan. This is because the FLUM is a long-term designation, while a change in zoning considers current conditions – such as market demands, availability of infrastructure, or impacts on the immediate neighborhood.

Zoning correspondence matrix

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INSTITUTIONAL LAND USE (INS)

This designation includes land and buildings occupied by municipal and other governmental agencies for the exercise of their functions, to serve the public or provide a civic use or amenity. These include major libraries, airports, public schools and public safety facilities. Semi-public uses such as schools, colleges and universities, hospitals, and other major institutions that serve the public and/or operate in a public function are included.

Development Features

- ▶ The specific location and design of these complementary uses is subject to zoning. In some cases, depending on ownership, these areas may not be subject to City zoning.
- ▶ Small-scale properties (less than 2 acres) accommodating subsidiary public and semi-public facilities, such as branch libraries, substations, satellite clinics, etc., may not be specifically called out in the FLUM under this land use designation, but may instead be considered part of the array of integrated complementary uses typically found in a residential neighborhood or a mixed-use center or corridor.

Character Example



PARKS AND OPEN SPACE (POS)

This designation applies to land maintained in a natural, semi-natural state, or developed with facilities and set aside for human enjoyment and recreation or for the protection of wildlife or natural habitats. This designation includes existing parks, squares, playgrounds, playfields, gardens, greens, cemeteries, greenways and blueways, and other recreational areas and facilities that are accessible to the public. These areas are generally owned by a public entity but may include some privately owned areas that have been designated as open space. This designation is not intended to identify public land acquisition or to prohibit the development potential of individual privately-owned properties.

Character Example

