## SIDEWALK WAIVER REQUEST STAFF REPORT Date: April 3, 2003

NAME Terminix (Goodwyn, Mills & Cawood, Agents)

**LOCATION** 1032 North University Boulevard

(East side of North University Boulevard, 315'+ North of

Zeigler Boulevard)

**PRESENT ZONING** B-3, Community Business

**ENGINEERING** 

**COMMENTS** Cross section provided indicates only five-feet of right-of-way between the back-of-curb for the service road and the property line, which would be inadequate for a sidewalk. Therefore, waiver is recommended.

**REMARKS** The applicant is requesting a waiver of the sidewalk requirements along a portion of North University Boulevard that is northeast of the proposed drive.

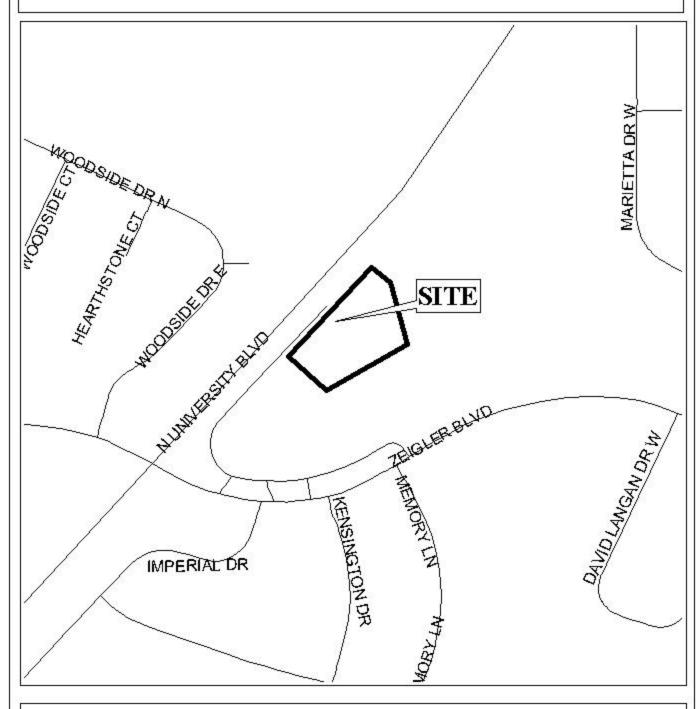
The applicant states the site is located at the end of a service road where the service road deadends. In addition, the applicant states the terrain east of the dead-end service road has a slope of approximately 8%, which is not conducive to a safe sidewalk design.

The Engineering Department has indicated that there is only five-feet of right-of-way between the back of curb for the service road and the property line. While this is not an ideal situation for a sidewalk, modifications to design may make construction of the sidewalk more viable. Service roads are not as heavily traveled as major streets, thus the sidewalk could be placed closer to the curb. The minimum sidewalk requirements are only 4-foot wide; therefore, the sidewalk could fit between the back of curb of the service road and the property line.

Furthermore, given the predominately residential character of the neighborhoods to the north, west and south, this sidewalk could be used by pedestrians and bicyclists commuting to and from the University of South Alabama and the adjacent residential neighborhoods.

**RECOMMENDATION** Based on the preceding, it is recommended that the sidewalk waiver be denied.

## LOCATOR MAP



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