SIDEWALK WAIVER REQUEST STAFF REPORT Date: July 24, 2003

NAME Franklin Primary Health Center Inc.

LOCATION 1303 Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Avenue

(Southwest corner of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Avenue and Cuba Street, extending to the North side of Lyons

Street, 180'+ West of Cuba Street)

PRESENT ZONING B-1, Buffer Business

ENGINEERING

COMMENTS No waiver recommended, sidewalks can be constructed and there is much evidence of foot traffic in the area.

<u>Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Avenue</u>, The approximately 40-feet of sidewalk that requires replacement is located in the northwest portion of the site and is associated with a driveway that will also be replaced. Replacement should not adversely impact any tree roots.

<u>Cuba Street</u>, The sidewalk can be constructed immediately behind the back of the curb. This placement does not allow the normal 2-foot clear zone but this is a one-way street with on-street parking on the side of the street in question. This sidewalk, when constructed, will meet an existing sidewalk to the south.

Lyons Street, Sidewalk can be constructed.

URBAN FORESTRY

COMMENTSUrban Forestry has procedures in place for protection of both city and private property trees so sidewalks can be installed and replaced doing minimal harm.

REMARKSThe applicant is requesting a waiver of the sidewalk requirements along Cuba Street, Lyons Street and to relieve the applicant from replacing an existing sidewalk on Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Avenue that was broken prior to construction of the Franklin Primary Health Center building. The applicant states that the demolition and replacement of sidewalk along Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Avenue poses the potential to damage the root system of the existing heritage oaks in the area. The applicant adds that Lyons Street does not have sidewalks along either adjacent property and the construction of the sidewalks will put an unanticipated financial burden on the owners.

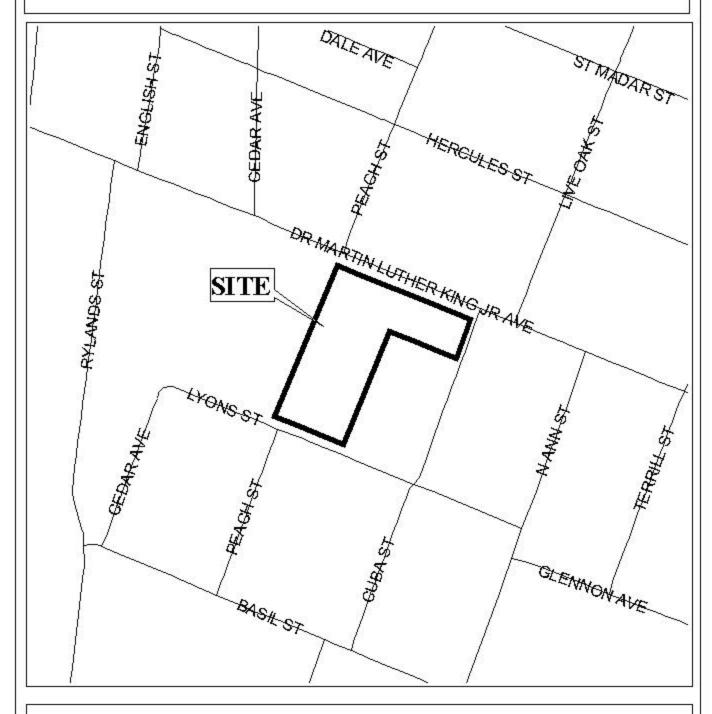
However, as illustrated in the Engineering Comments, the sidewalks can be constructed to city standards. Also, only approximately 40-feet of sidewalk along Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Avenue requires replacement and is associated with a driveway that will also be replaced.

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Upon submission of site plans for permitting sidewalks were illustrated to be constructed on the site plan.

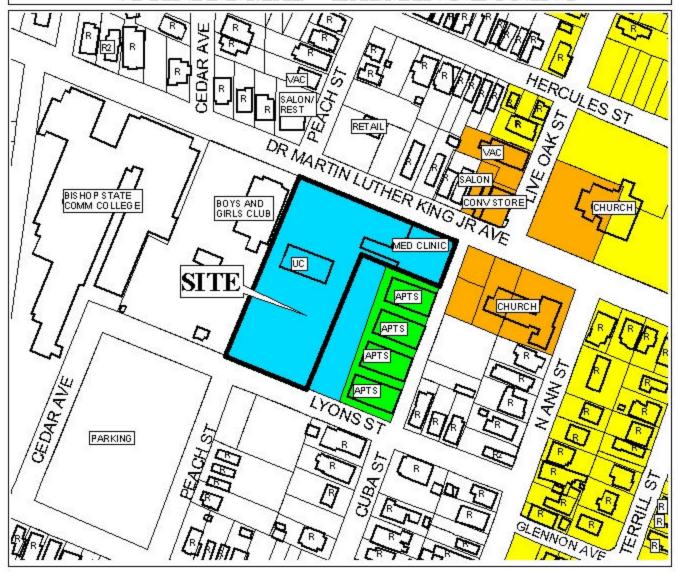
RECOMMENDATIONBased upon the preceding, it is recommended that the waiver be denied.

LOCATOR MAP



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PLANNING COMMISSION VICINITY MAP - EXISTING ZONING



The site is surrounded by single-family residential units and churches. Apartments are located to the south of the site.

