Date: January 3, 2013

# PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT & PLANNING APPROVAL STAFF REPORT

**NAME** Our Savior Parish

**LOCATION** 1801 Cody Road South

(East side of Cody Road South, 155'± North of the East

terminus of Bradbury Place)

**CITY COUNCIL** 

**DISTRICT** District 6

**PRESENT ZONING** R-1, Single-Family Residence District

**AREA OF PROPERTY** 1 Lot  $/33.8 \pm Acres$ 

**CONTEMPLATED USE** Planned Unit Development Approval to allow multiple

buildings on a single building site and Planning Approval to allow expansion of an existing church in an R-1, Single-

Family Residential District.

TIME SCHEDULE

**FOR DEVELOPMENT** Upon approvals

### **ENGINEERING**

COMMENTS

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### **TRAFFIC ENGINEERING**

<u>COMMENTS</u> Driveway number, size, location, and design to be approved by Traffic Engineering and ALDOT and conform to AASHTO standards.

#### **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 (State Act 61-929 and City Code Chapters 57 and 64).

#### FIRE DEPARTMENT

<u>COMMENTS</u> All projects within the City of Mobile Fire Jurisdiction must comply with the requirements of the 2009 International Fire Code, as adopted by the City of Mobile.

**REMARKS** The applicant is requesting Planned Unit Development Approval to allow multiple buildings on a single building site and Planning Approval to allow expansion of an existing church in an R-1, Single-Family Residential District. Planning Approval is required for churches in R-1 districts.

The review required for Planning Approval examines the applicant's location and site plan with regard to transportation, parking and access, public utilities and facilities, traffic congestion and hazard, and to determine if the proposal is in harmony with the orderly and appropriate development of the district.

Planned Unit Development review examines the site with regard to its location to ensure that it is generally compatible with neighboring uses; that adequate access is provided without generating excess traffic along minor residential streets in residential districts outside the PUD; and that natural features of the site are taken into consideration. PUD review also examines the design of the development to provide for adequate circulation within the development; to ensure adequate access for emergency vehicles; and to consider and provide for protection from adverse effects of adjacent properties as well as provide protection of adjacent properties from adverse effects from the PUD. PUD approval is site plan specific, thus if any new construction is anticipated that will change an approved site plan, an application to amend an existing, approved PUD must be made prior to any construction activities.

<u>It is very important to note that the Planning Approval and PUD review are site plan specific;</u> therefore <u>any</u> future changes to the overall site plan must be submitted to the Planning Commission for PUD and Planning Approval review.

The applicant proposes to construct a 1,176 square-feet, porte cochere and a driveway to an existing 4,160 square foot church. The applicant is making these improvement to allow elderly and handicapped parishioners an easier method to enter the sanctuary on inclement days. In addition, a new dumpster pad is proposed, the location and required screening must comply with Section 64-4.D.9. of the Zoning Ordinance, as well as with all other applicable regulations, including a connection to sanitary sewer.

The sanctuary has seating for 658 people. One-hundred sixty six parking spaces are provided, which complies with the parking requirements of the Ordinance of one parking space per four seats parking ratio. Parking bumpers shall be provided for all parking spaces fronting landscape areas that will not have curbing.

The site is primarily surrounded by residential development. The site plan does not depict a buffer compliant with Section 64-4.D.1. of the Zoning Ordinance, i.e. a 6-foot high wooden privacy fence (except within the required front yard setback, where it shall not exceed 3 feet), or an evergreen vegetative buffer, ten feet wide, six feet tall at time of planting. As such, a buffer should be provided between the site and the adjacent residences on the portion of the site that will be affected by the addition.

As the parking area has more than 10 spaces, and it is likely that the church and the parking area are used at night, lighting is required. Lighting of the site and the parking area must comply with Section 64-4.A.2. and Section 64-6.A.3.c. of the Zoning Ordinance. The use of full-cutoff fixtures is strongly encouraged (including any proposed wallpack fixtures), and the site plan should be revised to include a statement that lighting of the site will comply with the previously mentioned sections. Any existing lights that do not comply with the requirements of the Zoning Ordinance should be removed and made compliant.

Finally, the geographic area defined by the city of Mobile and its planning jurisdiction, including this site, may contain Federally-listed threatened or endangered species as well as protected nongame species. Development of the site must be undertaken in compliance with all local, state and Federal regulations regarding endangered, threatened or otherwise protected species.

**RECOMMENDATION** Planned Unit Development: Based upon the preceding, the application is recommended for Approval, subject to the following conditions:

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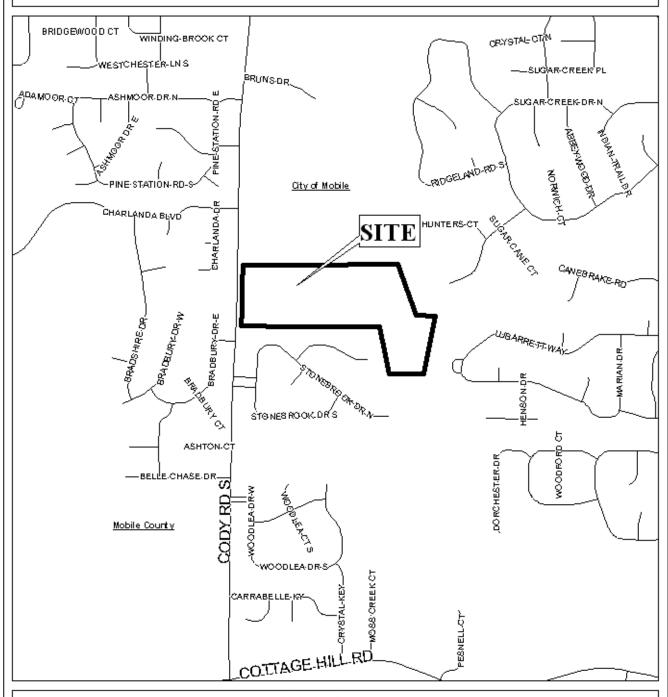
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- 7) placement of a note on the site plan stating that any changes to the site plan will require new applications for Planning Approval and Planned Unit Development approval prior to the issuance of any permits;
- 8) revision of the site plan to clearly depict a fence or protection buffer strip along the perimeters of the site to be developed, in accordance with Section 64-4.D.1. of the Zoning Ordinance;
- 9) removal of all existing exterior light fixtures that do not comply with the requirements of the Zoning Ordinance, and placement of a note on the site plan stating that the site and parking area will be illuminated in accordance with the requirements of Section 64-4.A.2. and Section 64-6.A.3.c. of the Zoning Ordinance;
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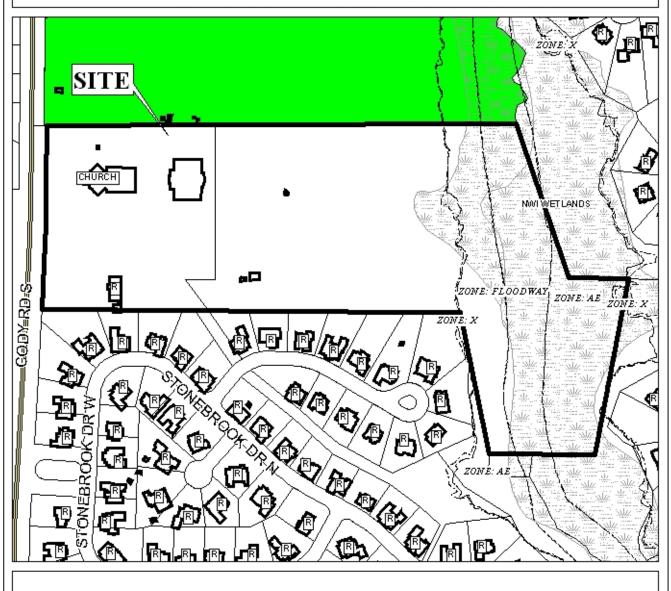


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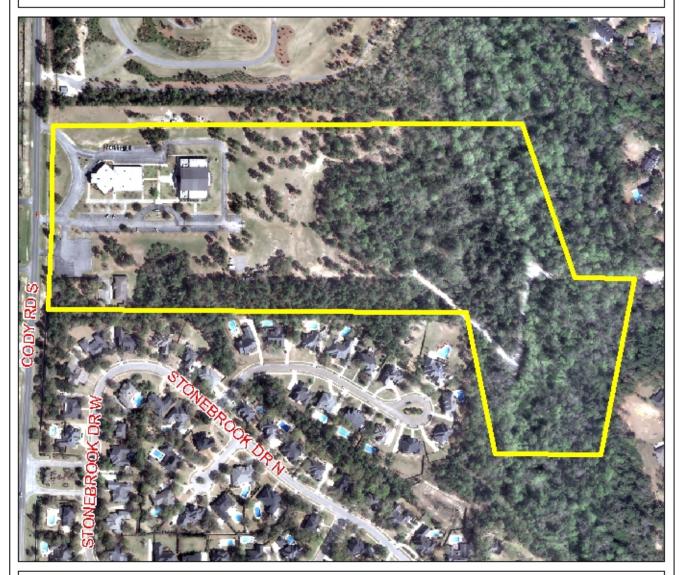
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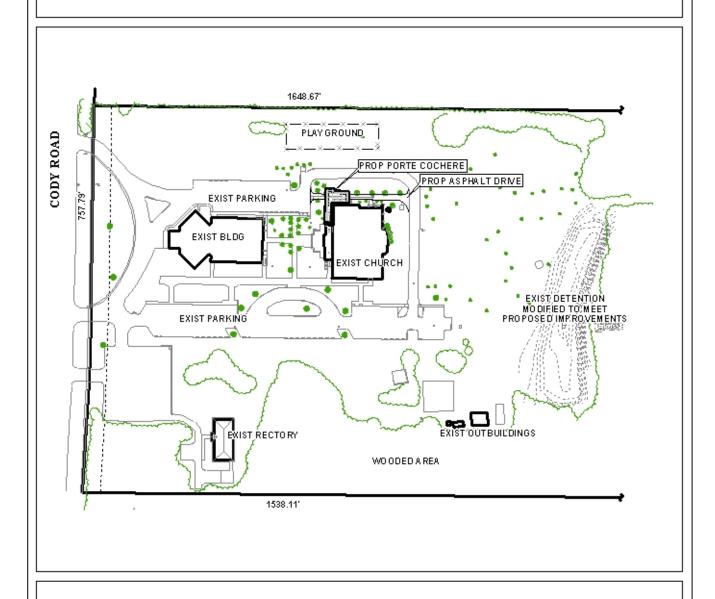
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## ENLARGED SITE PLAN



The site plan illustrates the existing improvements, proposed porte cochere, and proposed asphalt drive.

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