SUBDIVISION,
PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT &
PLANNING APPROVAL STAFF REPORT Date: September 20, 2007

**DEVELOPMENT NAME** Shiloh Missionary Baptist Church

**SUBDIVISION NAME** Shiloh Missionary Baptist Church Subdivision

**LOCATION** 2756 Old Shell Road

(Northwest corner of Old Shell Road and Bay Shore

Avenue)

**CITY COUNCIL** 

**DISTRICT** Council District 1

**PRESENT ZONING** R-1, Single-Family Residential

**AREA OF PROPERTY** 1 Lot  $/ 2.7 \pm$  Acres

**CONTEMPLATED USE** Planned Unit Development Approval to allow three buildings on a single building site for a church.

**Planning Approval** to allow the expansion of an existing church in an R-1, Single-Family Residential District to include a new sanctuary, educational building, and parking lot expansion.

## **TIME SCHEDULE**

FOR DEVELOPMENT None Specified

## **ENGINEERING**

**COMMENTS**It is the responsibility of the applicant to look up the site in the City of Mobile (COM) GIS system and verify if NWI wetlands are depicted on the site. If the COM GIS shows wetlands on the site, it is the responsibility of the applicant to confirm or deny the existence of wetlands on-site. If wetlands are present, they should be depicted on plans and/or plat, and no work/disturbance can be performed without a permit from the Corps of Engineers. Must comply with all storm water and flood control ordinances. Any work performed in the right of way will require a right of way permit.

## **TRAFFIC ENGINEERING**

**COMMENTS** Driveway number, size, location, and design to be approved by Traffic Engineering and conform to AASHTO standards. Sign and mark all one-way drives.

#### **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). Full compliance with landscaping and tree requirements of the Zoning Ordinance to be coordinated with Urban Forestry.

#### FIRE DEPARTMENT

**COMMENTS** All projects must comply with the requirements of the 2003 International Fire Code, including Appendices B through D, as adopted by the City of Mobile, and the 2003 International Existing Building Code, as appropriate.

**REMARKS** The applicant is requesting subdivision approval to incorporate multiple lots and parcels into a single lot of record; Planning Approval to allow the expansion of a church as associated parking facilities in an R-1, Single-Family Residential District; and Planned Unit Development to allow multiple buildings on a single-building site.

As referenced above, the purpose of the subdivision is to incorporate several existing lots of record and a metes and bounds parcel into one legal lot of record. While generally such an incorporation of properties into one legal lot is not an issue, in this instance the metes and bounds parcel is the south ½ of a legal lot of record. No documentation was submitted with the application to establish this parcel as a legal nonconforming parcel, or to justify exclusion of the remaining north ½.

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. <u>Planning Approval is site plan and use specific, thus any future changes to the site or operation of the facilities will require additional Planning Approval.</u>

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. Planned Unit Development Approval is site plan and use specific, thus any future changes to the site or operation of the facilities will require additional Planned Unit Development Approval.

As the reviews for Planning Approval and Planned Unit Development (PUD) Approval are similar, these reviews will be combined for the purpose of this report.

There are several issues with the Planning Approval and Planned Unit Development applications as submitted. First and foremost, the site plans submitted do not include any dimensions. This lack of dimensions makes it virtually impossible to review; and, since these applications are site plan specific, virtually impossible to ensure compliance with the approved plans.

Another issue is that the required narrative describing the proposal is incomplete and does not provide adequate information.

In essence, the plans submitted are incomplete and cannot at this time be reviewed.

While the plans are incomplete and the applications will be recommended for HOLDOVER, there are a few issues that the applicant should consider and include with revisions to the plan(s).

As the site is located at the intersection of Old Shell Road and Bay Shore Avenue, both of which function as collector streets in this area, consideration should be given to the dedication of an appropriate radius at this intersection.

Another issue relates to the Old Shell Road right-of-way. The plan submitted simply states that the right-of-way varies, but does not provide any information regarding minimum or maximum. One of the purposes for illustrating right-of-way is to ensure that the right-of-way provided meets minimum standards. In this instance, since no information is provided, staff cannot determine if the existing right-of-way is adequate, or if dedication would be required. If dedication is required, there would have to be significant reconfiguration to the proposed site plan.

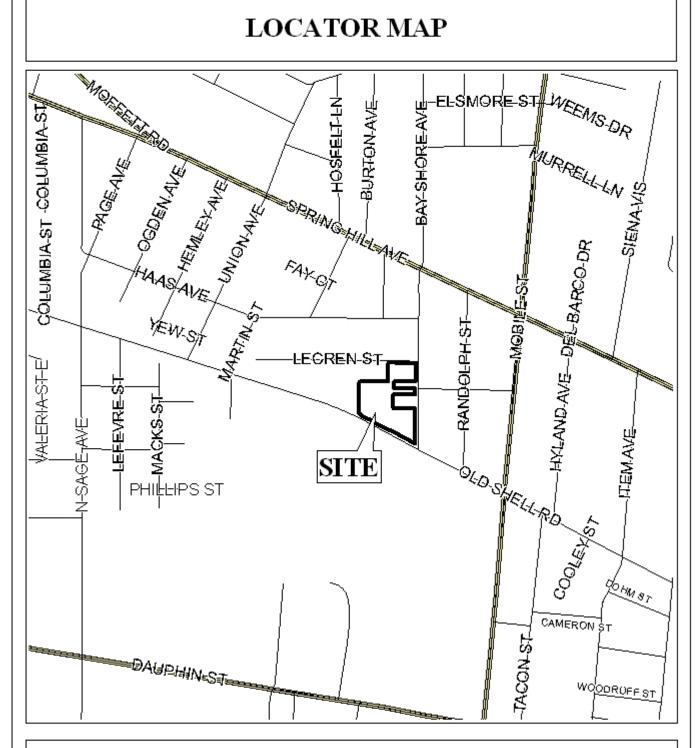
#### RECOMMENDATION

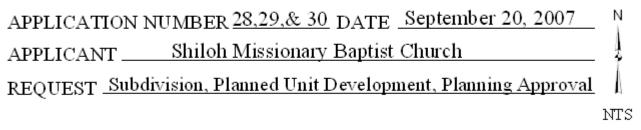
**Subdivision** Based on the preceding, the application is recommended for HOLDOVER until the October 18 meeting to allow the applicant to address the issues relating to the metes and bounds parcel, and to be considered simultaneously with the Planning Approval and Planned Unit Development applications.

**Planning Approval** Based on the preceding, the application is recommended for Holdover until the October 18 meeting to allow the applicant to address ALL discrepancies with the application packet. Revised information must be submitted no later than September 27.

**Planned Unit Development** Based on the preceding, the application is recommended for Holdover until the October 18 meeting to allow the applicant to address ALL discrepancies with the application packet. Revised information must be submitted no later than September 27.

# LOCATOR MAP

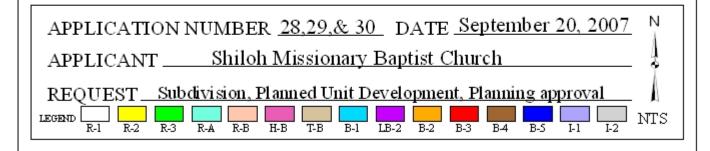




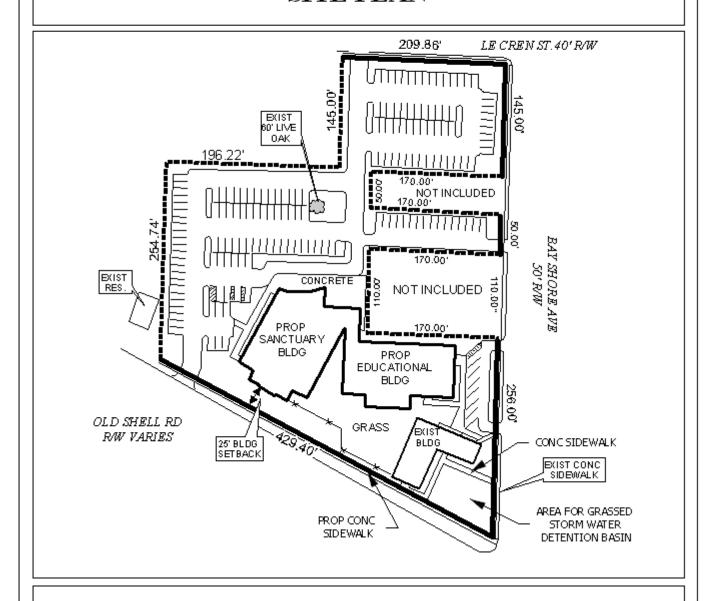
# PLANNING COMMISSION VICINITY MAP - EXISTING ZONING



A baseball park and school are to the south of the site, vacant commercial land uses are to the southeast, single family residential units are located to the west, east and north of the site, and duplexes are to the north.



# SITE PLAN



Proposed buildings, parking, landscaping, and sidewalks are illustrated in the site plan.

APPLICATION NUMBER 28,29,& 30 DATE September 20, 2007

APPLICANT Shiloh Missionary Baptist Church

REQUEST Subdivision, Planned Unit Development, Planning Approval

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