

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
for an AMENDMENT to the Greensboro Connections 2025 Comprehensive Plan

A proposal to amend the Future Land Use Map of the Greensboro Connections 2025 Comprehensive Plan for property located at 2737 and 2745 – 2767 Horse Pen Creek Road has been received by the Planning Department. The request is associated with a rezoning request at the same address. City Council will hold a public hearing and make a final decision, on both the proposed Plan amendment and on the associated rezoning.

The date for the public hearings:

City Council

Will make a final decision on the Plan amendment and rezoning

Date: Tuesday, December 18, 2018

5:30 p.m.

The hearing will take place in the City Council Chamber of the Melvin Municipal Office Building, 300 West Washington Street. The current and proposed land use classifications are defined as follows:

Current:

Mixed Use Commercial: This designation is intended to promote a mix of uses, of which various commercial uses remain predominant, but where residential, service, and other uses are complementary. Where applied to older highway corridors characterized by “strip” commercial uses, the intent is to encourage infill and redevelopment for a more diverse and attractive mix of uses over time. Examples include residential units over commercial uses or a wider array of economically viable uses to replace obsolete uses. Such areas also may represent opportunities for the introduction of substantial higher density and/or mixed-income housing, with negligible impacts on, or resistance from, nearby single-family neighborhoods. Ensuring that buildings are of the appropriate scale and intensity is critical, as is ensuring that sites are designed in a coordinated, as opposed to a lot-by-lot, manner. New “strip” commercial development is discouraged.

Low Residential (3-5 d.u./acre): This category includes the City's predominantly single-family neighborhoods as well as other compatible housing types that can be accommodated within this density range. Although there are some existing residential areas in the City developed on lots greater than 1/3 acre, future residential developments and "conventional" subdivisions should generally maintain a gross density of no less than three dwellings per acre, except where environmental constraints (e.g., the Watershed Critical Area) prevent such densities from being achieved. Compact developments that include clustered, small lots with substantial retained open space are encouraged.

Moderate Residential (5-12 d.u./acre): This category accommodates housing types ranging from small-lot, single-family detached and attached single-family dwellings such as townhomes to moderate density, low-rise apartment dwellings.

Proposed:

High Residential (over 12 d.u./acre): This category provides for high-density apartment dwellings, condominiums, life care, and similar housing types. Creating opportunities for this type of housing will become increasingly important to respond to demographic shifts and demand for affordable housing, and it is ideally suited near major activity and employment centers and in areas suitable for future transit service. Within this district, office buildings may also be accommodated.

A “Staff Report” pertaining to the accompanying rezoning can be found by visiting the Planning Department website at www.greensboro-nc.gov/departments/planning/boards-commissions-meetings/zoning-commission and clicking on “Staff Reports” in the navigation column on the right.

Anyone wishing to be heard on this matter should appear at the public hearing or arrange to be represented. For further information on this Plan amendment, contact Jeff Sovich, 336-433-7264 or via email at jeffrey.sovich@greensboro-nc.gov.

Any individual with a disability who needs an interpreter or other auxiliary aids or services for this meeting may contact Betsey Richardson, City Clerk, in the City Clerk’s Office at 373-2397 or 333-6930 (TDD).