

PLANNING AND ZONING REQUEST FOR SCREENING MODIFICATION

BACKGROUND

APPLICANT: Jason Harder, on behalf of BioLife Plasma Services

REQUESTED ACTION: Screening Wall Waiver

LOCATION: South property line of 2150 Towne Centre Drive

STAFF COMMENTS

The applicant requests a waiver of the district screening requirement along the south property line of 2150 Towne Centre (Attachment 1 – Notification Map). The applicant is requesting to forgo the required 8-foot long-span precast concrete decorative screening wall (Attachment 2 – Applicant's Letter.) The applicant proposes to construct an approximately 14,560-square-foot medical office building for Biolife Plasma Services.

The subject property and the surrounding properties to the east, southeast, and west are zoned Commercial. Along the south property line, the subject property shares approximately 133 feet with a property that is zoned Multifamily Residential. Section 1A-303 of the Mesquite Zoning Ordinance requires an eight (8) foot high long-span precast concrete decorative screening wall and a buffer tree line shall be established and maintained along the property line abutting the residential district when development in nonresidential district backs or sides upon a residential district. The proposed development of the subject property will require the installation of an 8-ft high long span-precast concrete decorative screening wall along approximately 133 feet of the south property line, where adjacent to a residential district.

The adjacent property that is zoned Multifamily Residential is owned by Texas Utilities Electric Company and it is their right-of-way for one of their overhead high-voltage transmission lines. Even though the property is not used for a residential use, the Mesquite Zoning Ordinance requires district screening; however, it does provide alternative screening with a six-foot wrought iron fence and landscape hedge for the following circumstance, which applies to this situation.

Section 1A-303.A.3 - The nonresidential use is separated from the nearest residential property by a permanent easement, right-of-way or other feature at least eighty (80) feet in width, assuring the nonresidential use does not directly abut the residential use. This alternative may be utilized where drainage and/or utility easements or rights-of-way lie between a nonresidential use and a

residential use, regardless of the actual district zoning of the easement or rightof-way area.

The applicant could use the above alternative screening without City Council approval; however, they would like to request a waiver instead of installing the screening wall or a wrought iron fence. Mesquite Zoning Ordinance provides for a modification of this requirement to be considered by City Council at a public hearing in the form of a waiver, deferment, or substitution of the applicable screening requirement. The applicant has requested a waiver of the requirement. The City Council may approve this request if it finds the requirement of screening and/or buffering is impractical or unnecessary.

It is staff's opinion that the required 8-ft high long-span precast concrete decorative screening wall or a wrought-iron fence along the south property line is unnecessary as the adjacent residential property is used as a right-of-way for an overhead high-voltage transmission line. To the south of the overhead high-voltage transmission line is The Barons apartment complex, which is approximately 425 feet from the south property line of the proposed Biolife development. Staff recommends approving the waiver of the district screening requirements.

Attachments:

Attachment 1 – Notification Map

Attachment 2 – Applicant's Letter

Attachment 3 – Aerial Map

Attachment 4 – Site Plan

Attachment 5 – Zoning Map

Notification Map

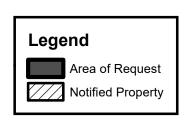
Attachment 1



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Applicant: Jason Harder

Location: 2150 Towne Centre Dr







10/18/2022

Honorable Mayor Alemán Jr. & City Council City of Mesquite, TX 757 N. Galloway Avenue Mesquite, TX, 75185-0137

Dear Mr. Mayor & esteemed council members,

Enclosed please find an application with a request for a permanent waiver to the general screening and buffering requirements outlined in Section 1A-301. Focus Real Estate Development is purchasing this site from the current owner, Extra Property Holdings, LLC. We intend to build a single-story medical office at this location on Towne Centre Drive in Mesquite.

We are requesting this waiver of the screening requirement for reasons of it being impractical and unnecessary in this scenario. The existing trees will be preserved on the southern portion of this property and will provide roughly 265 ft. of natural buffer between our development and the residential zoning/apartment building complex located to the south. Furthermore, there is an absence of screening at other existing commercial businesses in this area, which are adjacent to the same residential zoning.

Included with this application you will find exhibits that support the above points:

- Exhibit A: Required site plan
- Exhibit B: Aerial Images
- Exhibit C: Photos
 - Photo 1: Drone photo taken north of the proposed site looking southeast towards existing commercial uses and residential zoning/apartment buildings.
 - o Photo 2: Drone photo with south view looking towards the residential zoning/apartment buildings.
 - Photo 3: Drone photo taken above proposed building with southeast view towards existing commercial uses and residential zoning/apartment buildings.

Please don't hesitate to contact me with any questions. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Best Regards

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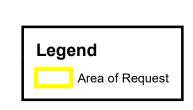
Aerial Map



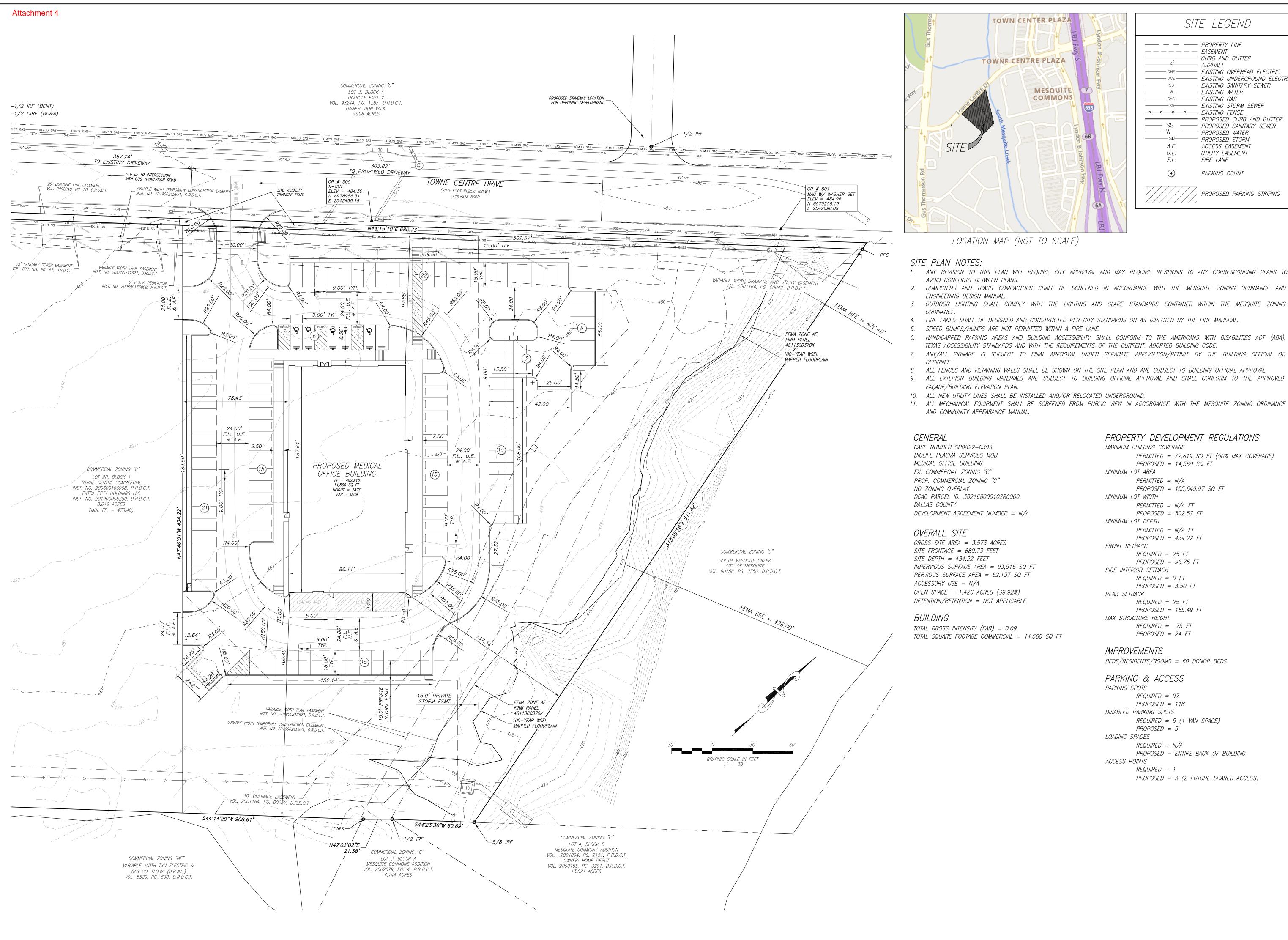
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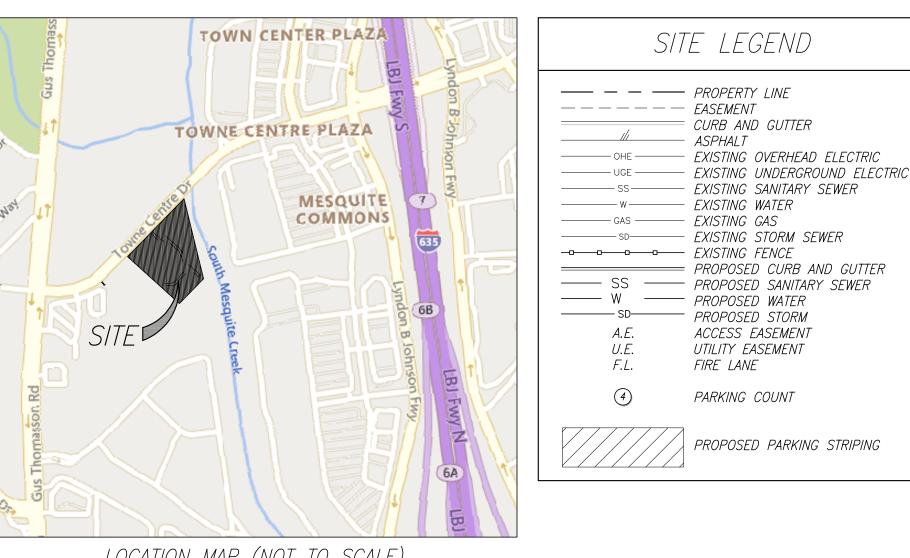
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LOCATION MAP (NOT TO SCALE)

- ANY REVISION TO THIS PLAN WILL REQUIRE CITY APPROVAL AND MAY REQUIRE REVISIONS TO ANY CORRESPONDING PLANS TO
- 3. OUTDOOR LIGHTING SHALL COMPLY WITH THE LIGHTING AND GLARE STANDARDS CONTAINED WITHIN THE MESQUITE ZONING
- 4. FIRE LANES SHALL BE DESIGNED AND CONSTRUCTED PER CITY STANDARDS OR AS DIRECTED BY THE FIRE MARSHAL.
- SPEED BUMPS/HUMPS ARE NOT PERMITTED WITHIN A FIRE LANE.
- HANDICAPPED PARKING AREAS AND BUILDING ACCESSIBILITY SHALL CONFORM TO THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT (ADA), TEXAS ACCESSIBILITY STANDARDS AND WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE CURRENT, ADOPTED BUILDING CODE.
- ANY/ALL SIGNAGE IS SUBJECT TO FINAL APPROVAL UNDER SEPARATE APPLICATION/PERMIT BY THE BUILDING OFFICIAL OR
- 8. ALL FENCES AND RETAINING WALLS SHALL BE SHOWN ON THE SITE PLAN AND ARE SUBJECT TO BUILDING OFFICIAL APPROVAL.
- 9. ALL EXTERIOR BUILDING MATERIALS ARE SUBJECT TO BUILDING OFFICIAL APPROVAL AND SHALL CONFORM TO THE APPROVED
- 10. ALL NEW UTILITY LINES SHALL BE INSTALLED AND/OR RELOCATED UNDERGROUND.
- 11. ALL MECHANICAL EQUIPMENT SHALL BE SCREENED FROM PUBLIC VIEW IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE MESQUITE ZONING ORDINANCE

DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT NUMBER = N/A

IMPERVIOUS SURFACE AREA = 93,516 SQ FT PERVIOUS SURFACE AREA = 62,137 SQ FT

TOTAL SQUARE FOOTAGE COMMERCIAL = 14,560 SQ FT

PROPERTY DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS

MAXIMUM BUILDING COVERAGE PERMITTED = 77,819 SQ FT (50% MAX COVERAGE) PROPOSED = 14,560 SQ FT

MINIMUM LOT AREA PERMITTED = N/A

PROPOSED = 155,649.97 SQ FT MINIMUM LOT WIDTH

PROPOSED = 502.57 FTMINIMUM LOT DEPTH PERMITTED = N/A FT

PERMITTED = N/A FT

PROPOSED = 434.22 FTFRONT SETBACK

REQUIRED = 25 FTPROPOSED = 96.75 FTSIDE INTERIOR SETBACK

REQUIRED = O FTPROPOSED = 3.50 FTREAR SETBACK

REQUIRED = 25 FTPROPOSED = 165.49 FTMAX STRUCTURE HEIGHT REQUIRED = 75 FT

PROPOSED = 24 FT

BEDS/RESIDENTS/ROOMS = 60 DONOR BEDS

PARKING & ACCESS PARKING SPOTS

IMPROVEMENTS

REQUIRED = 97PROPOSED = 118DISABLED PARKING SPOTS

REQUIRED = 5 (1 VAN SPACE)PROPOSED = 5LOADING SPACES

REQUIRED = N/A

PROPOSED = ENTIRE BACK OF BUILDING

ACCESS POINTS REQUIRED = 1

PROPOSED = 3 (2 FUTURE SHARED ACCESS)

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Zoning Map

