# **ARC** REGIONAL REVIEW NOTICE

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**DATE**: Sep 28 2012

ARC REVIEW CODE: R1209281

TO:Mayor Donnie HenriguesATTN TO:Richard McLeod, Director of Community DevelopmentFROM:Doug Hooker, Executive Director

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	for Doug Hooker

The Atlanta Regional Commission (ARC) has completed a preliminary regional review of the following Development of Regional Impact (DRI). ARC reviewed the DRI with regard to conflicts to regional plans, goals, and policies and impacts it might have on the activities, plans, goals, and policies of other local jurisdictions as well as state, federal, and other agencies. The preliminary report does not address whether the DRI is or is not in the best interest of the local government.

Name of Proposal:Watermarke ChurchReview Type:DRISubmDate Opened:Sep 28 2012Dead

<u>Submitting Local Government</u>: City of Woodstock <u>Deadline for Comments</u>: Oct 13 2012 <u>Date to Close</u>: Oct 18 2012

**Description:** This project, located in the City of Woodstock, is a proposed church consisting of a 3,500 seat worship facility with 250,000 total square feet and 2,400 total parking spaces. This project is proposed to be located near the intersection of Ridgewalk Parkway and Ridge Trail, just off of Interstate 575.

#### DRI Checklist Preliminary Summary:

Regional Consistency Assessment (50%): 100% Local Impacts Assessment (30%): 100% Quality Development Assessment (20%): 69%

**Overall Weighted Score: 94%** 

### PRELIMINARY COMMENTS:

Regional Context:

According to the ARC Unified Growth Policy Map (UGPM) and Regional Development Guide (RDG), the proposed Watermarke Church development is within an area designated as Developing Suburbs. The RDG states that Developing Suburbs are areas in the region where suburban development has occurred, and the conventional development pattern is present but not set.

These areas are characterized by limited commercial and residential development. These areas represent the extent of the urban service area, and the region's first attempts at suburban smart growth can be found in these areas. The region should strive to develop these areas in a more sustainable way than the existing development model. To this end, there is a need for additional preservation of critical environmental locations, as well as agricultural and forest uses adjacent to rural areas.

Limited existing infrastructure in these areas will constrain the amount of additional growth that is possible. Some transportation improvements may be needed within these developing suburbs, but care should be taken not to spur unwanted growth.

Observations:

The proposed Watermarke Church development includes several good site design characteristics including placing buildings close to the public street, multiple access points to the site, creation of an "urban blocks" within the site, and overflow parking areas employing pervious materials.

The applicant is proposing to provide more parking than is required by the City of Woodstock's zoning ordinance. The proposal will include 2,400 parking spaces while the City only requires 622 spaces.

Recommendations:

If the applicant is proposing to build more parking than required by local regulations, pervious materials should be used to limit the amount of storm water runoff from the parking areas. Additionally, since the entire parking area will only be used one or two days a week, the applicant should consider other uses for the parking area on those days that it will not be fully utilized. This may include allowing park-and-ride services or the City to use these facilities to prevent additional redundant parking from having to be created in the community.

See additional ARC staff comments which are attached

#### THE FOLLOWING LOCAL GOVERNMENTS AND AGENCIES RECEIVED NOTICE OF THIS REVIEW:

ARC LAND USE PLANNING ARC DATA RESEARCH GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES CITY OF HOLLY SPRINGS ARC TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ARC AGING DIVISION GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION COBB COUNTY ARC ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS CHEROKEE COUNTY

If you have any questions regarding this review, Please contact Jon Tuley at (404) 463-3307 or <u>jtuley@atlantaregional.com</u>. This finding will be published to the ARC website. The ARC review website is located at: http://www.atlantaregional.com/landuse.



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### DEVELOPMENT OF REGIONAL IMPACT REQUEST FOR COMMENTS

Instructions: The project described below has been submitted to this Regional Development Center for review as a Development of Regional Impact (DRI). A DRI is a development of sufficient project of sufficient scale or importance that it is likely to have impacts beyond the jurisdiction in which the project is actually located, such as adjoining cities or neighboring counties. We would like to consider your comments on this proposed development in our DRI review process. Therefore, please review the information about the project included on this form and give us your comments in the space provided. The completed form should be returned to the RDC on or before the specified return deadline.

Preliminary Findings of the RDC: Watermarke Church See the Preliminary Report.

Comments from affected party (attach additional sheets as needed):

Individual Completing Form:	
Local Government:	Please Return this form to: Jon Tuley, Atlanta Regional Commission
Department:	40 Courtland Street NE Atlanta, GA 30303 Ph. (404) 463-3307 Fax (404) 463-3254
Telephone: ( )	jtuley@atlantaregional.com
	Return Date: Oct 13 2012
Signature:	
Date:	

### ARC STAFF NOTICE OF REGIONAL REVIEW AND COMMENT FORM

**DATE**: Sep 28 2012

### ARC REVIEW CODE: R1209281

TO: ARC Land Use, Environmental, Transportation, Research, and Aging Division Chiefs FROM: Jon Tuley, Extension: 3-3307

### **Reviewing staff by Jurisdiction:**

Land Use: Tuley, Jon Environmental: Santo, Jim Aging: Rader, Carolyn <u>Transportation:</u> Soldat, Nathan <u>Research:</u> Skinner, Jim

Name of Proposal: Watermarke Church

**<u>Review Type:</u>** Development of Regional Impact

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#### **Response:**

1) Deproposal is CONSISTENT with the following regional development guide listed in the comment section.

- 2) □ While neither specifically consistent nor inconsistent, the proposal relates to the following regional development guide listed in the comment section.

#### **COMMENTS:**



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### ATLANTA REGIONAL COMMISSION - DEVELOPMENT OF REGIONAL IMPACT REVIEW PART 1: REGIONAL CONSISTENCY ASSESSMENT

To be completed by the ARC Staff

JURISDICTION:	CITY OF	WOO	ODS	тос	K	Date RCA Completed, M/D/YYYY: 9/26/2012	
DRI #:	2301						RC DRI Reviewer: JT
TENTATIVE NAME OF DEVELOPMENT:	Waterma	rke	Chu	rch			
TYPE OF DEVELOPMENT:	Other						Action Triggering Review: Zoning
I. REGIONAL PLAN		Yes	No	N/A	Score 0, 1, or 3	Explain (optional for "Yes" answers, required for "No" or "N/A" answers)	Recommendations (to the Developer for Improving the Project)
Is the development consis Regional Development Ma Defining Narrative?		$\boxtimes$			3		
Is the development consis Guiding Principles of the F		$\square$			3		
II. REGIONAL RESOURC	E PLAN AND	Yes	No	N/A	Score 0, 1, or 3	Explain (optional for "Yes" answers, required for "No" or "N/A" answers)	Recommendations (to the Developer for Improving the Project)
If within one mile of any ar map, is the development of the Guidance for Appropri Development Practices in Resource Plan?	consistent with ate	$\boxtimes$			3		
III. INTERJURISDICTION	AL IMPACTS	Yes	No	N/A	Score 0, 1, or 3	Explain (optional for "Yes" answers, required for "No" or "N/A" answers)	Recommendations (to the Developer for Improving the Project)
Does the development ave negative effect on public fa stormwater / floodplain ma water quality, etc.) in neigh jurisdictions?	acilities (roads, anagement,	$\boxtimes$			3		
Are neighboring jurisdictio and prepared to manage, development on public fac stormwater / floodplain ma water quality, etc.) in their	impacts of the cilities (roads, anagement, jurisdictions?					WAITING FOR COMMENTS	
Are other affected jurisdict school boards, aware of, a to manage, the impacts of development?	and prepared					WAITING FOR COMMENTS	
IV. TRANSPORTATION	MPACTS	Yes	No	N/A	Score 0, 1, or 3	Explain (optional for "Yes" answers, required for "No" or "N/A" answers)	Recommendations (to the Developer for Improving the Project)

Is this project consistent with any applicable regional transportation plan(s)?	$\boxtimes$			3				
Does the development avoid or mitigate negative impacts on the surrounding transportation network?	$\boxtimes$			3				
If not, do pending projects included in the funded portion of the applicable transportation plan (STIP/TIP/LRTP) mitigate all identified project impacts?			$\boxtimes$					
V. LOCALLY ADOPTED PLANS	Yes	No	N/A	Score 0, 1, or 3	Explain (optional for "Yes" answers, required for "No" or "N/A" answers)	Recomme (to the Develope	ndations r for Improving the Project)	
Is the development consistent with the host government's Future Development Map and any applicable sub-area plans?	$\bowtie$			3				
Is the development consistent with any adjacent or potentially affected local government's Future Development Map?					WAITING FOR COMMENTS			
VI. COMPREHENSIVE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY (CEDS)	Yes	No	N/A	Score 0, 1, or 3	Explain (optional for "Yes" answers, required for "No" or "N/A" answers)	Recomme (to the Develope	ndations r for Improving the Project)	
Is the development consistent with the region's CEDS?	$\square$			3				
RCA POINTS: 24 OUT OF A POSSIBLE: 24								
	RC	CA Sc	ORE:	100	RCA Weig Score (5	50		
ALL QUESTIONS FROM PART 2 – LOCAL IM USED IN E					ART <b>3 – QUALITY D</b> DR THIS <b>DRI</b> AS WE		ASSESSMENT, WILL BE	
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Has the host local government or the developer agreed to changes that would successfully resolve "No" answers above?	□ Y □ N Narra	0.						
Was the answer to both questions in this section "No"?	intere			-	mission should c erefore of the sta		iking a "not in the best	
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NOTE: This and other DRI Review forms provided by the Department are intended for use as tools to assist regional staff in the formulation of their recommendations to their executive directors and Regional Councils and to the communities they serve. Their proper use facilitates statewide procedural consistency and service delivery. Regardless of the recommendations generated by this form, all findings subsequently issued by the Regional Commission are reflective solely of the Commission's own judgment and discretion. Nothing presented in this form is binding upon the exercise of the authority granted to the Regional Commission by Georgia law and Departmental rules. The findings issued by the Regional Commission are purely advisory and are in no circumstance binding upon the authority granted to the host local government by Georgia law.

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JURISDICTION:	CITY OF	wo	ODS'	тос	ĸ		Date LI	A completed, M/D/YYYY: 9/26/12
DRI #:	2301						F	RC DRI Reviewer: JT
TENTATIVE NAME OF DEVELOPMENT:	Waterma	arke	Chu	rch			.1	
TYPE OF DEVELOPMENT:	Other						Actio	n Triggering Review: Zoning
I. ADEQUACY OF LOC ASSETS/SERVICES	AL	Yes	No	N/A	Score 0, 1, or 3	Explain (option answers, required	onal for "Yes" for "No" answers)	Recommendations (to the Developer for Improving the Project)
Do adequate wastewate facilities currently exist t development?		$\boxtimes$			3			
Do adequate water supp treatment facilities exist development?		$\boxtimes$			3			
Do adequate stormwate facilities exist to serve th development?	-	$\boxtimes$			3			
Do adequate solid waste to support the developm		$\square$			3			
Does the local school sy capacity necessary to a support the development	dequately ht?					WAITING ON CO	MMENTS	
Does the local workforce skills/expertise/educatio to support the developm	n to effectively ent?				3			
Are all other assets/serv safety, etc.) adequate to development?	serve the				3			
Is the local government of adequately providing facilities/services anticip be required by the devel	any new ated/likely to				3			
II. ADEQUACY OF TRANSPORTATION INFRASTRUCTURE		Yes	No	N/A	Score 0, 1, or 3	Explain (optic answers, required	onal for "Yes" for "No" answers)	Recommendations (to the Developer for Improving the Project)
Do adequate transportat currently exist to suppor development?		$\boxtimes$			3			
If the development is pre industrial, is it located in proximity to an interstate	close							

If the development is predominately industrial, is it located with reasonable proximity to an intermodal station or other freight transfer location?			$\boxtimes$			
Will developer-funded mitigation of the transportation impacts of this development be adequate to address needs generated by the project? enhancements and/or improvements of the items already listed in the applicable transportation plan (STIP/TIP/LRTP)?			$\boxtimes$			
If not, will enhancements and/or improvements already listed in the applicable transportation plan (STIP/TIP/LRTP) be adequate to address needs generated by the project?						
III. ACCESS MANAGEMENT	Yes	No	N/A	Score 0, 1, or 3	Explain (optional for "Yes" answers, required for "No" answers)	Recommendations (to the Developer for Improving the Project)
If the size and type of development warrant, is access to the site effectively managed through the use of internal roadways, access roads, or shared driveways?	$\boxtimes$			3		
If the development is adjacent to more than one roadway, is access provided via the lowest functionally classified roadway?	$\boxtimes$			3		
Are access points to the site aligned with opposing access points and with existing, planned or likely median breaks?	$\boxtimes$			3		
Are proposed traffic signals located at the intersection of public roadways that provide access to the entire site?			$\boxtimes$			
Relative to the size and traffic volume of the adjacent roadways, does the proposed development provide an adequate, uninterrupted driveway throat lengths at all access points?	$\boxtimes$			3		
Are all proposed access points outside of the functional area of any adjacent intersections?	$\boxtimes$			3		
Do the proposed access points meet minimum spacing requirements established by GDOT (and GRTA, where appropriate)?				3		
IV. RESOURCE MANAGEMENT	Yes	No	N/A	Score 0, 1, or 3	Explain (optional for "Yes" answers, required for "No" answers)	Recommendations (to the Developer for Improving the Project)
Are potential impacts upon WATER SUPPLY WATERSHEDS adequately addressed in the proposal?			$\boxtimes$			
Are potential impacts upon WETLANDS adequately addressed in the proposal?			$\boxtimes$			

Are potential impacts upon GROUNDWATER RECHARGE AREAS adequately addressed in the proposal?			$\boxtimes$				
Are potential impacts upon RIVER CORRIDORS adequately addressed in the proposal?			$\boxtimes$				
Are potential impacts upon PROTECTED MOUNTAINS adequately addressed in the proposal?			$\square$				
Are potential impacts upon COASTAL RESOURCES adequately addressed in the proposal?			$\boxtimes$				
Are potential impacts upon FLOODPLAINS adequately addressed in the proposal?			$\square$				
Are potential impacts upon SENSITIVE SOIL TYPES adequately addressed in the proposal?			$\boxtimes$				
Are potential impacts upon STEEP SLOPES adequately addressed in the proposal?			$\boxtimes$				
Are potential impacts upon PRIME AGRICULTURAL/FORESTRY AREAS adequately addressed in the proposal?			$\boxtimes$				
Are potential impacts upon RARE/ENDANGERED SPECIES adequately addressed in the proposal?			$\boxtimes$				
Are potential impacts upon FEDERAL, STATE OR REGIONAL PARKS adequately addressed in the proposal?							
Are potential impacts upon HISTORIC RESOURCES adequately addressed in the proposal?			$\boxtimes$				
Are potential impacts upon DESIGNATED SCENIC BYWAYS adequately addressed in the proposal?			$\boxtimes$				
Are potential impacts upon VIEWSHEDS OR SCENIC AREAS adequately addressed in the proposal?			$\square$				
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Does the host local government need to take action to manage potential adverse impacts of this development?	```	YES [	]	NO		NARRATIV	
Should special requirements be placed on the developer(s) to mitigate adverse development impacts?		YES	]	NO		NARRATIV	'E:











### ATLANTA REGIONAL COMMISSION - DEVELOPMENT OF REGIONAL IMPACT REVIEW

### PART 3: GEORGIA QUALITY DEVELOPMENT ASSESSMENT

To be completed by the ARC Staff

JURISDICTION:	CITY OF	WO	ODS	тос	Date	Date QDA Completed, M/D/YYYY: 9/26/2012			
DRI #:	2301							RC DRI Reviewer: JT	
TENTATIVE NAME OF DEVELOPMENT:	Waterma	rke	Chu	rch					
TYPE OF DEVELOPMENT:	Other							Action Triggering Review: Zoning	
I. MIX OF USES		Yes	No	N/A	Score 0,1, or 3	Explain (as necessary for "Yes" and "No" and	swers)	Recommendations (to the Developer for Improving the Project)	
Does the development in mixture of complementa	ry land uses?			$\boxtimes$					
Does the development h mixed uses?	-			$\boxtimes$					
If the development is pri residential, are a healthy (e.g., corner grocery sto facilities) located within a walking distance?	/ mix of uses res, community an easy			$\boxtimes$					
For developments witho component, does the de a compatible new use th prevalent in the immedia surrounding area/neighb	velopment add at is not ately	$\boxtimes$			3				
II. TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVES		Yes	No	N/A	Score 0,1, or 3	Explain (as necessary for "Yes" and "No" and	swers)	Recommendations (to the Developer for Improving the Project)	
Are there sidewalks with development?	in the	$\square$			3				
Are there existing or pro sidewalks along all adjace street frontages that con internal sidewalk networ	cent external nect to the k?			$\boxtimes$	0	SIDEWALKS ARE NOT INDICATED ON THE SITE PL	AN		
Are sidewalks designed ADA, AASHTO standard accessibility?	ls of width and			$\boxtimes$					
Is bicycle parking provid residential buildings, mu buildings, and other key	lti-family destinations?			$\boxtimes$					
Does the development in use trails that will conne external trail network(s)?	nclude multi- ct to the			$\boxtimes$					

Are intersections designed for pedestrian safety, including marked crossing, curb extensions, median refuges, raised crosswalks, and/or pedestrian actuation devices?		$\boxtimes$		0	NOT INDICATED ON THE SITE PLAN	
Does the design include pedestrian connections between building entrances and the internal and external sidewalk network?			$\boxtimes$			
Does the development contribute to public streetscapes with pedestrian- friendly amenities, such as benches, lighting, street trees, trash cans, pedestrian entrance on street level, and windows at street level?			$\boxtimes$			
Will the development employ pedestrian-friendly block sizes (e.g., block face no more than 500 ft, average block perimeter 1350 ft)?				1	THE SITE PLAN DOES INCLUDE BLOCKS, THOUGH SOME MAY BE LONGER THAN 500 FT.	
Will the development incorporate traffic calming measures, such as narrower street widths, raised pedestrian crossings, or rough pavement materials?			$\boxtimes$			
III. CONNECTIVITY	Yes	No	N/A	Score 0,1, or 3	Explain (as necessary for "Yes" and "No" answers)	Recommendations (to the Developer for Improving the Project)
Will the development employ street layouts that match those in older parts of the community?				3		
Will the developments internal street						
network connect to the existing surrounding street network at many points?	$\square$			3		
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IV. PARKING	Yes	No	N/A	Score 0,1, or 3	Explain (as necessary for "Yes" and "No" answers)	Recommendations (to the Developer for Improving the Project)
Does the development provide no more parking than the minimum required by the local jurisdiction?		$\boxtimes$		0	PROVIDING 2400 SPACES, REQUIRED 622 SPACES	
Does development seek reduced parking requirements for commercial and residential developments, particularly when nearby parking alternatives or public transit is available?			$\boxtimes$			
Does development seek shared parking arrangements that reduce overall parking needs?			$\square$			
Does development use landscaped tree islands and medians to break up large expanses of paved parking?		$\boxtimes$			THE APPLICANT SHOULD CONSIDER ADDING LANDSCAPING TO BREAK UP THE LARGE PARKING AREAS	
Is the development's parking located where it does not visually dominate the development from the street?	$\boxtimes$			3		
Does the parking design allow for easy and safe pedestrian access to buildings?		$\boxtimes$			PEDESTRIAN ACCESS FROM PARKING TO THE BUILDINGS IS NOT SHOWN ON THE SITE PLAN	
V. INFILL DEVELOPMENT	Yes	No	N/A	Score 0,1, or 3	Explain (as necessary for "Yes" and "No" answers)	Recommendations (to the Developer for Improving the Project)
Is the development proposing to locate on an infill site with existing infrastructure in place?			$\boxtimes$			
Does this project involve redevelopment of abandoned structures; a brownfield site; other underutilized properties?			$\boxtimes$			
Does the development re-use or rehabilitate existing and/or historic structures?			$\boxtimes$			
Is the development designed to blend into existing neighborhoods with compatible scale and design (e.g., small scale apartment buildings, multi- family that looks like a single residence from the street, etc)?			$\boxtimes$			
Are new housing opportunities being created out of former, underused commercial, warehouse, or industrial spaces?			$\boxtimes$			
Is the development designed to revitalize existing neighborhood commercial centers (or create a new one on an infill site) that will serve as a focal point for the surrounding neighborhood and community?			$\boxtimes$			
Is this a greyfield redevelopment that converts vacant or under-utilized commercial strips to mixed-use assets?			$\boxtimes$			

VI. SENSE OF PLACE	Yes	No	N/A	Score 0,1, or 3	Explain (as necessary for "Yes" and "No" answers)	Recommendations (to the Developer for Improving the Project)
Does the development create or enhance community spaces such as public plazas, squares, parks, etc?			$\boxtimes$			
Is the development consistent / compatible with the traditional character of the community, incorporating appropriate scale, placement and massing?			$\boxtimes$			
If "big box" retail, is the development designed in a way that complements surrounding uses (e.g. appropriate massing and scale when in developed areas; landscaped buffers/berms when in less developed areas; etc.)?			$\boxtimes$			
If "big box" retail, is the development designed in a way that promotes long- term usability (e.g. allows for subsequent adaptation to other tenants/uses)?			$\boxtimes$			
Are structures oriented toward and located near existing and proposed street front(s) with parking located in places other than between the structure and the street/sidewalk?	$\boxtimes$			3		
Does the development design include restrictions on the number and size of signs and billboards?			$\boxtimes$			
If applicable, will the natural vegetative character of surrounding roadways be maintained (e.g., with setbacks, vegetative buffers, landscaped berms)?			$\boxtimes$			
VII. TRADITIONAL NEIGHBORHOOD DEVELOPMENT (TND)	Yes	No	N/A	Score 0,1, or 3	Explain (as necessary for "Yes" and "No" answers)	Recommendations (to the Developer for Improving the Project)
Is the development designed to be an attractive, pedestrian-friendly activity center serving surrounding residential areas?			$\boxtimes$			
Will the development include a mix of housing types and sizes evocative of the "traditional" development styles/patterns of the community?			$\boxtimes$			
Do planned street widths employ TND width standards (i.e. narrow)?			$\square$			
Are structures designed with small setbacks, and porches (where appropriate) that contribute to a continuous orientation to the street that is pedestrian-friendly and encourages interaction with neighbors and/or passers-by?			$\boxtimes$			
Are accommodations included for on- street parking and/or rear alleyway access for residents'/visitors' automobiles?			$\boxtimes$			

VIII. OPEN/GREEN SPACE	Yes	No	N/A	Score	Explain	Recommendations
CONSERVATION	163	NO		0,1, or 3	(as necessary for "Yes" and "No" answers)	(to the Developer for Improving the Project)
Is the development in close proximity with direct access to permanently protected open/greenspace?			$\bowtie$			
Is the development clustered to preserve open/green space within the development site?			$\boxtimes$			
Does the development set aside a substantial percentage of total land area as permanently protected open or green space, preferably connected to a green space network?			$\boxtimes$			
Does the design of the development include provisions to permanently preserve environmentally sensitive areas by setting them aside as public parks, trails, greenbelts, etc?			$\boxtimes$			
Does the design of the development incorporate significant site features (view corridors, water features, farmland, wetlands, etc.) as amenities?			$\boxtimes$			
If public water/sewer is unavailable, does the design of the development make use of common area drain fields and/or neighborhood-scale wastewater treatment systems to reduce parcel size and facilitate cluster development?			$\boxtimes$			
IX. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION	Yes	No	N/A	Score 0,1, or 3	Explain (as necessary for "Yes" and "No" answers)	Recommendations (to the Developer for Improving the Project)
<b>IX. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION</b> Does the development avoid critical environmental areas?	Yes	No	N/A			
Does the development avoid critical environmental areas? Does the project avoid land physically unsuitable for development (steep slopes greater than 20%, floodplains, stream corridors, groundwater recharge areas or wetlands), prime agricultural lands/soils and/or propose the appropriate mitigation measures?	Yes	No				
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Does the development avoid critical environmental areas? Does the project avoid land physically unsuitable for development (steep slopes greater than 20%, floodplains, stream corridors, groundwater recharge areas or wetlands), prime agricultural lands/soils and/or propose the appropriate mitigation measures? Does the development include measures to retain/protect a large proportion of existing trees and to maintain the health of new trees included in the development's landscaping? Does the development incorporate native and drought-tolerant landscaping?	Yes	No				
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Does the development reflect best management practices (e.g., bioretention strips, rain gardens or swales as alternatives to conventional practices) for water quality protection?			$\boxtimes$			
Do the parking lots incorporate innovative on-site stormwater mitigation or retention features that are not covered elsewhere in this checklist?			$\boxtimes$			
Is a substantial proportion of the total paved area (total of driveways, parking, etc) covered with permeable surfaces?			$\boxtimes$			
Does the development propose water conservation covenants or employ other appropriate water conservation measures?			$\boxtimes$			
Is the development seeking independent certification/recognition by a widely acknowledged development accreditation organization (e.g. LEED, EarthCraft, Green Globes, Energy Star, etc.)?			$\boxtimes$			
Does the development make use of alternative building materials that promote environmental protection and energy efficiency?			$\boxtimes$			
X. HOUSING CHOICES	Yes	No	N/A	Score 0,1, or 3	Explain (as necessary for "Yes" and "No" answers)	Recommendations (to the Developer for Improving the Project)
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Does the design/location of this development clearly reflect consideration of the local and regional jobs/housing balance?						
Is the development located in a tax abatement zone, a tax allocation district, a designated/planned redevelopment area, an enterprise zone, or other governmentally supported redevelopment zones?						
Will this development use or is it likely to enhance local or regional small- business development program(s)?						
Will the development provide greater employment opportunities for low and middle income residents?						
Is the development likely to spur other activities aimed at improving the quality of the local/regional workforce?						
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And is the development generally reflective of the best quality growth practices?	<ul> <li>YES, this regional commission recommends this development for Georgia Quality Development designation.</li> <li>NO</li> <li>NARRATIVE:</li> </ul>			s development for		
To improve the overall quality of the development, does the regional commission recommend that the local government seek additional alterations to the proposal that have not been described above?	YES		NO 🗌	NA	RRATIVE:	

### NORTHPOINT CHURCH WOODSTOCK DRI City of Woodstock Environmental Planning Division Comments August 1, 2012

### Watershed Protection and Stream Buffers

The project property is in the Allatoona Lake Water Supply watershed, which is a large water supply watershed (more than 100 square miles) as defined in the Part 5 Environmental Minimum Criteria. Under the current Criteria, because Allatoona is a Corps of Engineers lake, it is exempt from the Part 5 criteria, so no special Part 5 requirements apply to this proposed project.

The USGS coverage for the project area shows no streams on or near the project property. Any unmapped streams that may be located on the property would be subject to the requirements of the City of Woodstock stream buffer ordinance. Any state waters that may be on the property are subject to the State 25-foot erosion and sedimentation buffer requirements.

### Stormwater / Water Quality

The project should adequately address the impacts of the proposed development on stormwater runoff and downstream water quality. During construction, the project should conform to the relevant state and federal erosion and sedimentation control requirements. After construction, water quality will be impacted due to polluted stormwater runoff. ARC has estimated the amount of pollutants produced after the construction of the entire proposed development, based on the submitted site plans. These estimates are based on some simplifying assumptions for typical pollutant loading factors (lbs/ac/yr). Because there are no estimates for institutional uses, and because of the coverage shown on the submitted plans, office/light industrial was used for this project. The loading factors are based on the results of regional storm water monitoring data from the Atlanta Region. Actual pollutant loadings will vary based on actual use and the amount of impervious surface in the final project design. The following table summarizes the results of the analysis:

### **Estimated Pounds of Pollutants Per Year:**

Land Use	Land Area (ac)	Total Phosphorus	Total Nitrogen	BOD	TSS	Zinc	Lead
Office/Light Industrial	22.00	28.38	376.86	2508.00	15576.00	32.56	4.18
TOTAL	22.00	28.38	376.86	2508.00	15576.00	32.56	4.18

Total % impervious 70%

In order to address post-construction stormwater runoff quality, the project should implement stormwater management controls (structural and/or nonstructural) as found in the Georgia Stormwater Management Manual (<u>www.georgiastormwater.com</u>) and meet the stormwater management quantity and quality criteria outlined in the Manual. Where possible, the project should utilize the stormwater better site design concepts included in the Manual.



### MEMORANDUM

TO:	Jon Tuley,	Land Use Division	
FROM:	Nathan Soldat, Transportation Planning Division		
DATE: SUBJECT:	Project: County:	ation Division Review of DRI # 2301 North Point Church	
<b>cc</b> :	David Hay TD	nes	

The following input is provided for the Infrastructure section of the DRI Report. This DRI proposal is being considered for review under the Georgia Regional Transportation Authority Expedited Review Process. The proposed North Point Church is located at the intersection of Ridgewalk Parkway and Ridge Trial just off of Interstate 575 within the jurisdiction of the City of Woodstock. The development is located on the southern side of Ridgewalk Parkway between Ridge Trial and the rail track, west of Main Street.

The proposed development will consist of approximately 22 acres of disturbed area. The proposed North Point Church development is 250,000 square feet with an anticipated 3,500 seat worship facility with 2,400 parking spaces.

### INFRASTRUCTURE Transportation

## How many site access points will be associated with the proposed development? What are their locations?

The proposed site will have two full access driveways along Ridge Trial, two right-in and right-out driveways along Ridgewalk Parkway and two pedestrian only entrances along the Ridgewalk parkway.

**Pedestrian Entrances**: Two pedestrian entrances will be provided along Ridgewalk Parkway, east of Ridge Trial. The first pedestrian entrance will be provided approximately 450' east of Ridge Trail and the second entrance will be provided approximately 350' east of the first entrance.

**Driveway-1:** Driveway 1, the main entrance, will be a standard commercial driveway with two 12 foot lanes and a 50 foot radius at its intersection with Ridgewalk Parkway with a right-in and right out at the intersection. The driveway will operate as one-way stop sign for the traffic exiting the driveway. Driveway 1 is located approximately 750' west of the Main Street.

**Driveway-2:** Driveway 2 will be a standard commercial driveway with two 12 foot lanes and a 50 foot radius at its intersection with Ridgewalk Parkway with full access movement. The driveway will operate as one-way stop sign for the traffic exiting the driveway. Driveway 2 is located approximately 950' west of the Main Street.

**Driveway-3:** Driveway 3 will be a standard commercial driveway with two 12 foot lanes and a 50 foot radius at its intersection with Ridge Trial. The driveway will operate as one-way stop sign for the traffic exiting the driveway. Driveway 3 is located approximately 600' south of the Ridgewalk Parkway. This driveway will be constructed as a full movement drive.

**Driveway-4:** Driveway 4 will be a standard commercial driveway with two 12 foot lanes and a 50 foot radius at its intersection with Ridge Trial. The driveway will operate as one-way stop sign for the traffic exiting the driveway. Driveway 4 is located approximately 600' south of the Driveway 3. This driveway will be constructed as a full movement drive.

### How much average daily traffic will be generated by the proposed project?

Based on the information presented during the Pre-application meeting on July 30, 2012, a traffic memo presented by Vamshi Mudumba, LAI Engineering, on July 30, 2012, the DRI meets GRTA's criteria for expedited review under the DRI Permanent Policy Section 3-102.B.3, Limited Daily Trip Generation, which requires the proposed DRI project to generate no more than 100 gross PM peak hour weekday trips. As a result, GRTA Staff has recommended APPROVAL of the request for expedited review under Section 2-202.B of the Procedures and Principles for GRTA Development of Regional Impact Review. GRTA's Executive Director will make the final decision regarding the request for expedited review on September 28, 2012. GRTA does not require any further materials or submissions at this time.

List the transportation improvements that would affect or be affected by the proposed project.

PLAN 2040 RTH	(Long Range	Projects)*
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ARC Number	<u>Route</u>	Type of Improvement	Scheduled Completion Year
CH-167	Arnold Mill Road Extension/Connector	Roadway/General Purpose Capacity	Long Range 2018-2030

\*The ARC Board adopted the PLAN 2040 RTP and FY 2012-2017 TIP on July 27<sup>th</sup>, 2011.

Is the site served by transit? If so, describe type and level of service and how it will enhance or be enhanced by the presence of transit? Are there plans to provide or expand transit service in the vicinity of the proposed project?

The site is not directly served by transit.

What transportation demand management strategies does the developer propose (carpool, flex-time, transit subsidy, etc.)?

None proposed.

## What other issues should be considered during the traffic study or in general for the proposed development?

- The developer should review design guidelines related to ARC's Policy and Investment Networks. The proposed development is located near Main Street which is on the Strategic Truck Route Network, Regional Thoroughfare Network, Bicycle and Pedestrian, and Concept 3 networks.
- Please refer to GDOT's "Regulations for Driveway and Encroachment Control" manual as an additional resource regarding access points to the site.

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### DRI #2301

DEVELOPMENT OF REGIONAL IMPACT Initial DRI Information					
determine if the project appe	This form is to be completed by the city or county government to provide basic project information that will allow the RDC to determine if the project appears to meet or exceed applicable DRI thresholds. Refer to both the <u>Rules for the DRI Process</u> and the <u>DRI Tiers and Thresholds</u> for more information.				
	I	Local Government	Informat	ion	
Submitting Local Government:	Woodstock				
Individual completing form:	Richard Mcl	Leod			
Telephone:	770-592-60	050 ext 160			
E-mail:	rmcleod@w	voodstockga.gov			
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		Proposed Project I	nformati	on	
Name of Proposed Project:	Watermark	Church			
Location (Street Address, GPS Coordinates, or Legal Land Lot Description):		Land Lots 878, 922,923 of the 15th District, 2nd Section of Cherokee County. SE corner of Ridgewalk			
Brief Description of Project:	Proposed church facility with associated parking and drives on 32.5 acres				
Development Type:		Hotels		Wastewater Treatment Facilities	
Office		Mixed Use		Petroleum Storage Facilities	
Commercial		Airports		Water Supply Intakes/Reservoirs	
Wholesale & Distribution	n	Attractions & Recreation	al Facilities	Intermodal Terminals	
Hospitals and Health Ca	are Facilities	Post-Secondary School	S	C Truck Stops	
Housing		Waste Handling Facilitie	es	Any other development types	
Industrial		Quarries, Asphalt & Cer	nent Plants		
If other development type, c	lescribe:				

Project Size (# of units, floor area, etc.):	250,000 sf of buildings, 2400 parking spaces on 32.5 acres			
Developer:	North Point Ministries			
Mailing Address:	4350 North Point Parkway			
Address 2:				
	City: Alpharetta State: GA Zip: 30022			
Telephone:	678-892-5678			
Email:	john.tuminello@northpoint.org			
Is property owner different from developer/applicant?	O (not selected) Yes No			
If yes, property owner:	Currently under contract by North Point Ministries			
Is the proposed project entirely located within your local government's jurisdiction?	🔘 (not selected) 💿 Yes 🔘 No			
If no, in what additional jurisdictions is the project located?				
Is the current proposal a continuation or expansion of a previous DRI?	🔘 (not selected) 🔘 Yes 🔍 No			
If yes, provide the following information:	Project Name:			
	Project ID:			
The initial action being requested of the local government for this project:	Rezoning         Variance         Connect Sewer         Connect Water         Permit         Other			
Is this project a phase or part of a larger overall project?	C (not selected)  Yes  No			
If yes, what percent of the overall project does this project/phase represent?	Aproximatley 10-15%			
Estimated Project Completion Dates:	This project/phase: June 2015 completion Overall project: Unknown			
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Loc	al Government Information
Submitting Local Government:	City of Woodstock
Individual completing form:	Richard McLeod
Telephone:	770-592-6050 ext 1600
Email:	rrmcleod@woodstockga.gov
	Project Information
Name of Proposed Project:	Watermarke Church
DRI ID Number:	2301
Developer/Applicant:	North Point Ministries
Telephone:	678-892-5678 John Tuminello
Email(s):	john.tuminello@northpoint.org
Addit	tional Information Requested
Has the RDC identified any additional information required in order to proceed with the official regional review process? (If no, proceed to Economic Impacts.)	
If yes, has that additional information been provided to your RDC and, if applicable, GRTA?	
If no, the official review process can not start	until this additional information is provided.
	Economic Development
Estimated Value at Build-Out:	25 Million
Estimated annual local tax revenues (i.e., property tax, sales tax) likely to be generated by the proposed development:	\$ 0 - Church
Is the regional work force sufficient to fill the demand created by the proposed project?	● (not selected) I Yes C No
Will this development displace any existing uses?	● (not selected) C Yes (XNo
	nits, square feet, etc):

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	Water Supply
Name of water supply provider for this site:	City of Woodstock
What is the estimated water supply demand to be generated by the project, measured in Millions of Gallons Per Day (MGD)?	0.002 mgd
Is sufficient water supply capacity available to serve the proposed project?	
If no, describe any plans to expand the existir	ng water supply capacity:
Is a water line extension required to serve this project?	(not selected) ○ Yes      Yes      No
If yes, how much additional line (in miles) wil	I be required?
	Wastewater Disposal
Name of wastewater treatment provider for this site:	City of Woodstock
What is the estimated sewage flow to be generated by the project, measured in Millions of Gallons Per Day (MGD)?	0.002 mgd
Is sufficient wastewater treatment capacity available to serve this proposed project?	● (not selected) IX Yes C No
If no, describe any plans to expand existing w	vastewater treatment capacity:
Is a sewer line extension required to serve this project?	
If yes, how much additional line (in miles) will +/- 300 feet	be required?
	Land Transportation
How much traffic volume is expected to be generated by the proposed development, in peak hour vehicle trips per day? (If only an alternative measure of volume is available, please provide.)	Weekday Gross PM Peak Hour 100 trips Sunday Gross Daily Peak Hour 1,100 trips
Has a traffic study been performed to determine whether or not transportation or access improvements will be needed to serve this project?	● (not selected) ℜ Yes C No Traffic Methodology Study provided to GRTA
Are transportation improvements needed to serve this project?	● (not selected) X Yes C No
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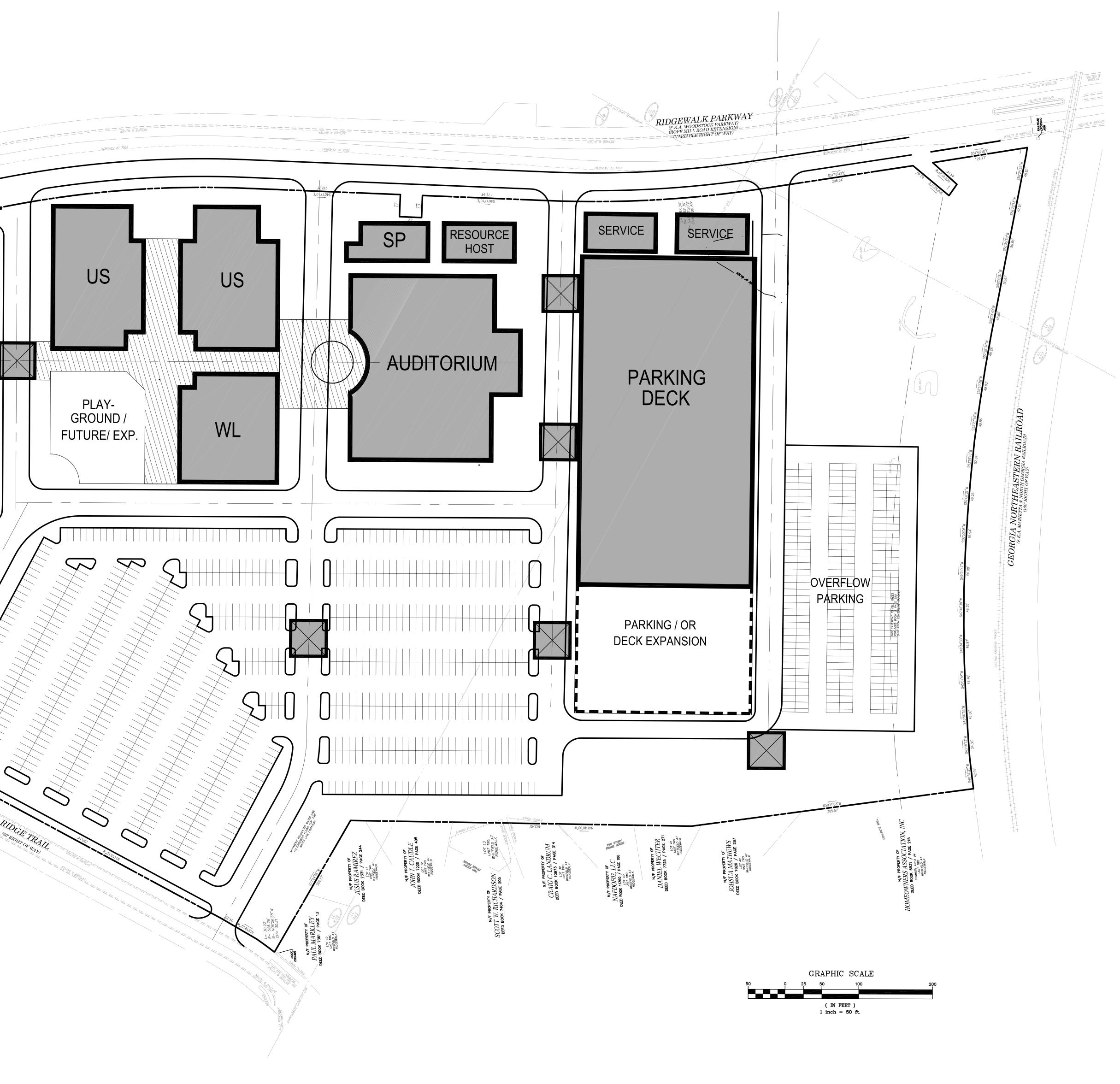
have not been constructed. The City may have additional requirements based on finalized site plan.

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	Solid Waste Disposal
How much solid waste is the project expected to generate annually (in tons)?	25
Is sufficient landfill capacity available to serve this proposed project?	● (not selected) IX Yes C No
If no, describe any plans to expand existing la	andfill capacity:
Will any hazardous waste be generated by the development?	(not selected) ○ Yes <sup>X</sup> No
If yes, please explain:	
	Stormwater Management
What percentage of the site is projected to be impervious surface once the proposed development has been constructed?	approximately 70%
project's impacts on stormwater management	uffers, detention or retention ponds, pervious parking areas) to mitigate the ality/detention ponds, pervious (grass) parking ares,
	ity units. Proposed measures will reduce peak developed
flow rates to at or below pre-d	eveloped rates for the one to 100 year storm events and
detain the 1 year, 24 hour stor	rm runoff for 24 hours.
	Environmental Quality
Is the development located within, or likely to	affect any of the following:
1. Water supply watersheds?	
2. Significant groundwater recharge areas?	
3. Wetlands?	● (not selected) C Yes CX No
4. Protected mountains?	● (not selected) C Yes CXNo
5. Protected river corridors?	● (not selected) C Yes X No
6. Floodplains?	● (not selected) C Yes X No
7. Historic resources?	● (not selected) C Yes X No
8. Other environmentally sensitive resources?	
If you answered yes to any question above, d	escribe how the identified resource(s) may be affected:

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