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DATE: August 3, 2015 **ARC REVIEW CODE**: R15072001

TO: Mayor Jere Wood

ATTN TO: Brad Townsend, Planning & Zoning Director PROM: Douglas R. Hooker, Executive Director Development of Regional Impact Review

Dragh R. Hoke

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The Atlanta Regional Commission (ARC) has completed regional review of the following Development of Regional Impact (DRI). Below is the ARC finding. The Atlanta Regional Commission 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 and state, federal, and other agencies. The finding does not address whether the DRI is or is not in the best interest of the local government.

Name of Proposal: Riverwalk Village

Submitting Local Government: City of Roswell

Review Type: Development of Regional Impact Date Opened: July 20, 2015 Date Closed: August 3, 2015

<u>Description</u>: The proposed development is a mixed-use development located in the City of Roswell, on the southeast quadrant of the Georgia 400 and Holcomb Bridge Road interchange. It will include 971,000 square feet of office space, 269,000 square feet of commercial/retail space, a 200 room hotel, a 200,000 square foot civic/institutional use 125 single-family units, 1,156 multi-family units, and 270 senior residential units.

Comments:

Regional Context:

According to the ARC Unified Growth Policy Map (UGPM) and Regional Development Guide (RDG), the proposed Riverwalk Village is within a Regional Employment Corridor and is located within Holcomb Bridge 400 Livable Centers Initiative (LCI) study area.

The UGPM and RDG state that Regional Employment Corridors represent the densest development outside of the Region Core. The Regional Employment Corridors connect the various Regional Centers and the Region Core via existing or planned high capacity transportation facilities. These areas need to increase in housing or job density, and focus primarily on improving connectivity between Regional Centers and the Region Core. These areas often buffer the denser parts and the less dense parts of the region. These areas often face greater peak hour congestion, therefore transit station areas and transit ROW need to be preserved within Regional Employment Corridors. There is a lack of accessible public greenspace within Regional Employment Corridors which affects the area's aesthetics and overall quality of life for residents and workers.

Observations and Recommendations:

The site plan and supporting materials indicate the developer's desire to create a mixed-use, walkable development. As such, all buildings should "front" public streets and parking should be behind or beside buildings and screened from view. It appears that several parking lots or decks may be proposed for the Market Boulevard and other internal roads located in the northern portion of the site.

Additionally, the developer and the City should investigate potential connections to adjacent properties. These connections can be for all modes or be limited to bicyclists and pedestrians. While these connections do not have to be created by the time the proposed development is completed, potential connections should be preserved so that future access can be created when appropriate.

The site plan includes an alternative use for Tract 3. This alternate includes residential instead of civic uses. The current propose layout of the residential plan for Tract 3 includes two separate driveways that each serve separate pods of development. The developer should consider integrating the two pods and allowing all of Tract 3 to utilize the two driveways.

The proposed development is located along major regional thoroughfares that are heavily congested during peak hours. While the development appears to be consistent with the Holcomb Bridge 400 LCI Plan, the developer and the City of Roswell should work with the Georgia Department of Transportation, MARTA, and other local and state agencies, to ensure that surrounding transportation network can handle the additional traffic generated by this development.

There is some concern with the spacing between Intersection #8 and the Intersection of Driveway 12 and Driveway 9 (not labeled). The current spacing may not allow for adequate storage of left turning vehicles, once they have entered the site. The developer should consider increasing the distance between these two intersections or limiting turning movements between Driveway 9 and Driveway 12.

There are several major proposed transportation improvements in the area of this development. The MARTA North Line/Red Line extension would bring MARTA close to the site. While the final transit station and route are still being planned, the developer and the City should work to ensure that the development proposal does not preclude transit access from happening on or near the site. Furthermore, the developer and the City should consider how residents, workers and guests of the development site will access planned future transit facilities from this site.

Proposed improvements to the Georgia 400 and Holcomb Bridge Interchange include an "early off-ramp" from Georgia 400 Northbound onto Raintree Drive. This project is expected to take some traffic away from the Holcomb Bridge Interchange and adjacent intersections. GDOT should be included in any plans or discussions that may impact Raintree Drive or access to it.

There have also been several proposed Georgia 400 bridge crossings near the Holcomb Bridge interchange. While a bridge crossing is only planned north of Holcomb Bridge at this time, the City and developer should consider where a possible crossing could occur south of Holcomb Bridge and determine how that may or may not impact the site plan a envisioned.

See additional comments, which are attached.

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

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If you have any questions regarding this review, Please contact Jon Tuley at (404) 463-3307 or jtuley@atlantaregional.com. This finding will be published to the ARC website.

The ARC review website is located at: http://www.atlantaregional.com/land-use/planreviews.

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MEMORANDUM

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TO:	Jon Tuley,	, Land Use Division
FROM:	Daniel Stud	ddard, Transportation Access and Mobility Division
DATE: SUBJECT:	June 8, 201 Transport Project: County: Location: Analysis:	ation Division Review of DRI # 2456 Riverwalk Village Fulton, City of Roswell In the southeast quadrant of the SR 400 at Holcomb Bridge Rd interchange Expedited X
00:	David Have	Non-Expedited
cc:	David Hay	HCS

The Transportation Access & Mobility Division has reviewed the traffic study performed by GT Hill Planners, on behalf of Marquise Roswell LLC, the developer of Riverwalk Village. The following input is provided for the Infrastructure section of the DRI Report. This DRI proposal is being considered for review under the DRI Procedures and Principles for GRTA Development of Regional Impact Review Section 3-102.F.

The proposed site is located along Old Alabama Road, in the southeast quadrant of the SR 400 at Holcomb Bridge Rd interchange. The proposed 104-acre development consists of three tracts and is expected to consist of 1,551 residential units (1,156 apartments, 125 townhouse units, and 270 senior housing units), a 200-room hotel, a 700-student private school, approximately 971,000 square feet (SF) of office space, and approximately 269,000 of retail space. The development is planned for completion by the year 2025.

INFRASTRUCTURE

Transportation

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

The primary access point to the proposed development would be via Market Blvd. on the northern end of the project. As shown on the site plan, this access point would be provided at a roundabout proposed by the City of Roswell as part of their Early Off-Ramp project. If the Early Off-Ramp

project is not constructed, this access point would utilize either a standard intersection alignment or a roundabout intersection. Additional access to the proposed development would be provided along Old Alabama Road at two full access intersections. A minor access point will also be provided along Market Blvd

The site plan shows parking provided throughout the development. Details about parking were not provided in the traffic report or identified on the site plan.

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

The traffic consultant calculated traffic volumes for the proposed land uses and densities using equations contained in the *Institute of Transportation Engineers' (ITE) Trip Generation Manual, Ninth Edition, 2012.* Daily gross trip generation of 32,563 is projected for this development.

Alternative mode, mixed-use, and pass-by trip reductions were applied in the traffic study. After these reductions, the projected trip generation after full build-out is 25,396 trips per day. The detailed trip generation for the proposed development was in Table 6-1 of the traffic study, which is shown here.

RIVERWALK VILLAGE - TRIP GENERATION														
Land Use	Intensity	Daily	y AM Peak Hour			PM1	Peak Hou	ır	W	eekday N	loon*	Saturday Peak		
		Trips	Total	In	Out	Total	In	Out	Total	In	Out	Total	In	Out
220 Apartments	1.156 units	7,129	570	114	456	653	424	229	493	276	217	493	276	217
230 Res Condo/Townhouse	125 units	781	62	11	51	72	48	24	57	32	25	57	32	25
252 Senior Housing - Attached	270 units	826	54	18	36	66	36	30	84	48	36	84	48	36
310 Hotel	200 rooms	1,784	126	73	53	140	69	71	174	99	75	174	99	75
536** Private School (K-12)	700 Students	1,736	559	341	218	119	51	68	100	50	50	100	50	50
710 General Office Building	971 s.f. x 1000	7,387	1,179	1,038	141	1,166	198	968	418	225	192	418	225	192
820 Shopping Center	269 s.f. x 1000	12,920	285	177	108	1,163	558	605	1663	865	798	1,663	865	798
Gross Trips		32,563	2,835	1,772	1,063	3,379	1,384	1,995	2,989	1,595	1,393	2,989	1,595	1,39
Alternative Mode Reduction (1%)		-326	-28	-18	-11	-34	-14	-20	-30	-16	-14	-30	-16	-14
Net Before MU Reduction		32,237	2,807	1,754	1,052	3,345	1,370	1,975	2,959	1,579	1,379	2,959	1,579	1,379
Total Mixed Use Reduction***		-3,600	0	0	0	-324	-162	-162	-312	-156	-156	-312	-156	-150
Net Before Pass By Reduction	28,637	2,807	1,754	1,052	3,021	1,208	1,813	2,647	1,423	1,223	2,647	1,423	1,22	
Pass By Reduction (Shopping Center)***	-3,242	0	0	0	-293	-144	-149	-437	-228	-208	-437	-228	-20	
New Trips	25,396	2,807	1,754	1,052	2,728	1,064	1,664	2,210	1,195	1,015	2,210	1,195	1,01	
Driveway Volumes		28,637	2,807	1,754	1,052	3,021	1,208	1,813	2,647	1,423	1,223	2,647	1,423	1,22

^{*} ITE provides no weekday noon trip generation data. Saturday trip generation utilized to best approximate trip generation

Source: DRI Traffic Study for Riverwalk Village, Roswell, GA, DRI #2456

Summarize the transportation improvements as recommended by the traffic study consultant

The traffic study consultant recommended the following.

Future 2025 No-Build Conditions

- Holcomb Bridge Road (SR 140) at Old Alabama Road
 - Construct an additional eastbound through lane on Holcomb Bridge Road to maintain three continuous eastbound through lanes from the GA 400 NB ramp through the Old Alabama Road intersection

^{**} No Saturday trip generation information provided by ITE for school. 50 trips entering and 50 trips exiting utilized to approximate Saturday school activities

^{***} Pass-by and mixed use reduction from ITE Trip Generation Manual 9th Edition. Pass by reduction taken from net new external shopping center trips

Future 2025 Build Conditions

- Holcomb Bridge Road (SR 140) @ Market Blvd. A
 - Construct two additional northbound left-turn lanes on Market Blvd to form triple leftturn lanes. Protected-only left-turn phasing will be necessary in conjunction with this improvement.
- Holcomb Bridge Road (SR 140) @ Old Alabama Road B
 - Construct an additional eastbound through lane on Holcomb Bridge Road to maintain three continuous eastbound through lanes from the GA 400 NB ramp through the Old Alabama Road intersection.
 - Construct an additional westbound left-turn lane on Holcomb Bridge Road to form dual left-turn lanes. Protected-only left-turn phasing will be necessary in conjunction with this improvement. D
 - Construct an additional northbound through lane on Old Alabama Road to allow for two northbound through lanes.
 - Construct an additional southbound through lane on Old Alabama Road to allow for two southbound through lanes.
- Old Alabama Road @ Riverside Road ^E
 - Construct an additional westbound left-turn lane on Riverside Road to form dual left-turn lanes. This will require the widening of Riverside Road to the east to provide two receiving lanes for the dual left movement.
 - A Improvement of this intersection included in the City of Roswell Transportation Master Plan (2014) as Project# 05-1004
 - B- Improvement of this intersection included in the City of Roswell Transportation Master Plan (2014) as Project# 05-1008
 - C Also necessary in 2025 No-Build condition
 - D Improvement identified in Project Recommendation #12 of the Holcomb Bridge Road Corridor Study (2012) prepared by the City of Roswell.
 - *E Improvement of this intersection included in the City of Roswell Transportation Master Plan (2014) as Project# 05-1032*

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

The transportation study identified projects that are expected to be completed prior to the expected build out date of the Riverwalk Village development. These projects include:

- Holcomb Bridge Road (SR 140) Westbound. Roswell Project No. 09-1015. This project will construct a third westbound through lane from just east of Old Alabama Road to the northbound SR 400 on-ramp.
- SR 400 Northbound Early Off-Ramp. Roswell Project No. 09-1046. This project will add an off-ramp to Exit 7A that will connect to Market Boulevard.

The traffic study did not provide information on other planned projects in the area that may affect or be affected by the proposed development.

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 northern portion of the project is located within ½ mile of the MARTA 185 bus route. The service to this location is limited to AM and PM peak periods. MARTA has proposed and is in the planning phase of an extension of their heavy rail Gold Line. A station location in the Holcomb Bridge area is proposed as part of that study, however this project is only included in the ARC's Aspirations Plan and is not expected to be completed by the 2025 build out date of this development.

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

The title above Figure 7-1 and above Figure 7-2 states that these figures show retail trip distribution. However, the title at the bottom of each figure states that these figures show residential trip distribution. These figures should be revised appropriately for consistency.

The trip distribution figures also show the following:

- Figure 7-9: The sum of trip distribution does not equal 100% for entering traffic the total is 50%
- Figure 7-11: The sum of trip distribution does not equal 100% for
 - o entering traffic the total is 50%
 - o exiting traffic the total is 95%
- Figure 7-12: The sum of trip distribution does not equal 100% for
 - o entering traffic the total is 60%
 - o exiting traffic the total is 90%

If the Build traffic analyses was conducted based on the distribution percentages shown in these figures, then the Build traffic volumes would have been distributed incorrectly and/or underrepresented. This would make the Build analysis invalid/incomplete.

The traffic study did not provide information on a number of planned projects in the area that may affect or be affected by the proposed development. Some of these may be constructed prior to completion of Riverwalk Village, while others will be constructed after Riverwalk Village is completed. Information about these projects should be provided for consistency with the GRTA Letter of Understanding, which states:

"The applicant shall research TIP, STIP, RTP, and GDOT's construction work program, as well as any local government plans (SPLOST, CIP, etc.), to determine the open-to-traffic date, sponsor, cost of the project, funding source(s), for future roadway projects in the project vicinity. This information shall be included within the traffic analysis."

The intersection of Driveway 9 at Driveway 12 appears to be within 100 feet or less of Intersection 8. Driveway 12 should be moved further from Intersection 8. If this is not possible due to the location of the existing lake, then the intersection of Driveway 9 at Driveway 12 should allow right-in/right-out movements only. This will reduce the impacts of queueing and other issues from the intersection of Driveway 9 at Driveway 12 on Intersection 8.

If the early off-ramp project is implemented, then Driveways 3, 4, 5, and 6 may not be permitted by GDOT and/or the City of Roswell, due to the need to limit access on this connection from SR 400. Additional coordination with GDOT and the City of Roswell should be conducted to determine the viability of these proposed driveways.

A least one viable location for an external roadway and bike/ped connection should be provided on both the east and the south sides of Tract 2.

The site plan shows parking provided throughout the development. Details about the number of parking spaces provided and their locations should be provided in the traffic report or identified on the site plan.

Bike and Pedestrian Facilities

The transportation study states that "pedestrian facilities (sidewalks) currently exist along Old Alabama Road through the project site. All site roadways are proposed to have sidewalks on both sides." The applicant should consider wide sidewalks (wider than 5 feet) with streetscape elements such as trees, decorative lighting, etc. within the proposed development.

The traffic study does not mention bicycle facilities. The applicant should consider adding bicycle facilities on Market Boulevard, the roadway that connects Intersection 1 to Intersection 7, on Old Alabama Road, and along other applicable roadways.

Transit Facilities

The transportation study identifies that MARTA has proposed and is in the planning phase of an extension of their heavy rail Gold Line. Adequate ROW should be reserved for the planned MARTA extension on the west side of this proposed development. The applicant should ensure adequate coordination with MARTA to ensure that the proposed development does not encroach on ROW that may be needed for the planned rail extension.

RIVERWALK VILLAGE DRI City of Roswell

Natural Resources Division Review Comments June 12, 2015

Metropolitan River Protection Act and Chattahoochee Corridor Plan

About 40.59 acres of the 103.94-acre project property is within the 2000-foot Chattahoochee River Corridor and is subject to the requirements of the Metropolitan River Protection Act and the Chattahoochee Corridor Plan. The Corridor portion of the property was reviewed under the Act and Plan in 1987 for an office commercial development called Roswell Landing (ARC Metro River Review Number RC-87-02R. The proposed project in that review was found to be consistent with the Corridor Plan. The applicant can work within the remaining, unused approved allocations from that review and not need a new review, or a new review application can be submitted. Final details on the Corridor portion of the project have not been resolved at the time of this report, so the need for a new review or other action has not been determined at this time.

Stream Buffers and Watershed Protection

In addition, the entire project is within in the Chattahoochee River Corridor watershed. Upstream of Peachtree Creek, the Corridor Watershed is classified as a large water supply watershed (over 100 square miles), under the Part 5 Criteria of the 1989 Georgia Planning Act. For large water supply watersheds without a water supply reservoir, the only applicable Part 5 requirements are restrictions on hazardous waste handling, storage and disposal within seven miles upstream of a public water supply intake. The USGS coverage for the project area shows one unnamed blue line stream in the vicinity of the project site near the proposed school site on shown on the project plans. This stream is subject to the City's stream buffer ordinance requirements, as well as the State Sediment and Erosion Control 25-foot buffer. Any unmapped streams on the property may also be subject to the requirements of the Roswell stream buffer ordinance and any other state waters on the property will be subject to the State 25-foot Erosion and Sedimentation buffer requirement.

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 that will be produced after construction of the proposed development. These estimates are based on some simplifying assumptions for typical pollutant loading factors (lbs/ac/yr) from typical land uses in the Atlanta Region. The loading factors are based on the results of regional stormwater monitoring data from the Atlanta Region. Based on the coverages of the proposed uses, commercial, office/light industrial and townhouse/apartment, as well as a separate road category for Old Alabama Road and forest/open for the undeveloped areas, were used to calculate the numbers for this project. Actual pollutant loadings will depend on the actual impervious coverage developed on the property and may differ from the figures shown. 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
Commercial	41.55	71.05	722.97	4487.40	40843.65	51.11	9.14
Forest/Open	30.51	2.44	18.31	274.59	7169.85	0.00	0.00
Office/Light Industrial	18.35	23.67	314.34	2091.90	12991.80	27.16	3.49
Roads	7.68	13.82	140.62	875.52	7941.12	9.91	1.77
Townhouse/Apartment	5.85	6.14	62.65	391.95	3539.25	4.45	0.82
TOTAL	103.94	117.12	1258.89	8121.36	72485.67	92.63	15.22

Total impervious: 56%

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 (www.georgiastormwater.com) 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.

We would also suggest the following additional measures to help reduce stormwater reduction and provide for its reuse:

- Consider using green spaces and tree planting beds as stormwater controls. These can be
 designed to provide maximum aesthetic value while also providing for water quality
 treatment and run-off reduction, potentially reducing the need for larger stormwater facilities
 and helping to minimize the negative effects of stormwater runoff on streams and water
 quality.
- Consider using pervious concrete or other pervious materials in parking areas. With the proper substrate, such materials can provide a large storage capacity, which will further help to reduce stormwater runoff.
- Consider including rainwater capture in the project design to provide for landscape irrigation during dry periods.



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DEVELOPMENT OF REGIONAL IMPACT REQUEST FOR COMMENTS

Instructions: The project described below has been submitted to this Regional Commission 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 RC on or before the specified return deadline.

Preliminary Findings of the RDC: Riverwalk Village See the Preliminary Report.

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

The proposed Riverwalk Village DRI is located in the immediate vicinity of the following GDOT projects:

- SR 400 managed lanes (PI 0001757). GDOT Project Manager: Marlo Clowers, mclowers@dot.ga.gov, 404-631-1713.
- SR 400 SB ramp improvements (PI 0010858). GDOT Project Manager: Elaine Armster, earmster@dot.ga.gov, 404-631-1784.
- Big Creek Pkwy (PI 0010874). GDOT Project Manager: Vinesha Pegram, vpegram@dot.ga.gov, 404-631-1587.

Of these projects, the SR 400 managed lanes is a major project that is located immediately adjacent to the proposed development. Coordination with Marlo Clowers (GDOT project manager for the SR 400 managed lanes project) and GDOT Traffic Operations is recommended to ensure that the development is compatible with this project and that the surrounding roads can adequately handle the additional traffic.

Individual Completing Form: Julia Billings

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Subject: RE: DRI Review Notification - Riverwalk Village (DRI #2456) **Attachments:** Preliminary Report - Riverwalk Village (DRI 2456).pdf

Jon,

The proposed development, of a mixed-use development located in the City of Roswell, on the southeast quadrant of the Georgia 400 and Holcomb Bridge Road interchange, including 971,000 square feet of office space, 269,000 square feet of commercial/retail space, a 200 room hotel, a 200,000 square foot civic/institutional use 125 single-family units, 1,156 multi-family units, and 270 senior residential units, is located approximately 10 miles north west of the DeKalb - Peachtree Airport (PDK), and is located outside of any of their FAA surfaces, and compatible land use areas, and does not appear to impact the airports.

However, if the proposed project's vertical construction, or equipment exceeds 200ft above ground level, an FAA Form 7460-1 must be submitted to the Federal Aviation Administration. That may be done online at https://oeaaa.faa.gov. The FAA must be in receipt of the notification, no later than 60 days prior to construction. The FAA will evaluate the potential impact of the project on protected airspace associated with the airports and advise the proponent if any action is necessary.

I have copied Mr. Mario Evans with DeKalb – Peachtree Airport on this email.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the proposed development.

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Subject: DRI Review Notification - Riverwalk Village (DRI #2456)

Development of Regional Impact Request for Comments

This e-mail serves as notice that the Atlanta Regional Commission (ARC) staff has begun the Development of Regional Impact (DRI) review for <u>Riverwalk Village (DRI #2456)</u>. This project is a proposed mixed-use development located in the City of Roswell, on the southeast quadrant of the Georgia 400 and Holcomb Bridge Road interchange. It is expected to consist of approximately 971,000 SF of office space, approximately 269,000

SF of retail space, 1,551 residential units (1,156 apartments, 125 townhouse units, and 270 senior housing units), a 200-room hotel, and a 700-student private school. The development is expected to be completed by 2025.

We request that you or a member of your staff review the attached preliminary report, and provide comments to ARC by August 3, 2015.

Review opened on: July 20, 2015 Comments Due: August 3, 2015 Review will close on: August 3, 2015

For more information regarding the DRI processes, information needed for the review or other DRI's reviewed by ARC, please see the <u>DRI website</u>.

Please let me know if you have any questions about the review.

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United States Department of the Interior

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IN REPLY REFER TO:

August 3, 2015

Mr. Douglas R. Hooker, Executive Director Atlanta Regional Commission 40 Courtland Street, NE Atlanta, GA 30303

Dear Mr. Hooker,

This letter is a notification of receipt of the MRPA Development of Regional Interest (DRI) Review Notification for Riverwalk Village, Fulton County, Georgia. The proposed project is a mixed use development that includes 971,000 square feet of office space, 269,000 square feet of commercial/retail space, a 200-room hotel, a 200,000 square foot civic/institutional use, 125 single-family units, 1,156 multi-family units, and 270 senior residential units.

Congress established the Chattahoochee River National Recreation Area (CRNRA), a unit of the National Park Service (NPS), in 1978 to assure the preservation and protection of a 48-mile stretch of the Chattahoochee River from Buford Dam to Peachtree Creek. CRNRA consists of the river and its bed along with the lands, waters, and interests within the park's authorized boundary. Congress expressly provided the Secretary of the Interior, acting through the National Park Service (NPS) and CRNRA, with the authority to protect the "natural, scenic, recreation, historic and other values" of the Chattahoochee River. With this in mind, the park offers the following comments and recommendations regarding this large multi-use development.

Fulton County Sewer System

Currently, the Fulton County sewer system that services the Roswell area (and the area of this proposed development) is over-burdened causing manhole covers to become detached during large storm events releasing raw sewage into the river. The last event that caused a release of effluent into the Chattahoochee River was as recent as January 5, 2015.

Recommendation: Before considering a development of this scale, the city and county should examine the potential impacts on already overburdened infrastructure.

Installation of Impervious Surface

The addition of impervious surface in the form of roads, parking lots, buildings, and other facilities common of urban development contributes to the growing problem of uncontrolled storm water runoff and resulting pollutant loads. This leads to adverse effects on hydrology and ecological functions of the Chattahoochee River and its tributaries. The NPS notes that there is a discrepancy in total impervious surface area between the ARC calculations and that of Roswell. The ARC review shows a summary table with a total impervious surface area of 56%. The DRI Initial Information Form completed by Roswell gives a total impervious of 42.7%.

Recommendation: The NPS requests that the project be designed to limit increases in impervious surface area inside the designated 2000-foot Chattahoochee River Corridor. In addition, the discrepancy in total impervious surface area should be rectified to reflect the actual proposed surface area and that the resultant coverage conforms to ARC MRPA standards.

Polluted Storm Water Runoff

The issue of storm water management is of upmost concern to CRNRA, as storm water runoff within the watershed is a major source of nonpoint source pollution in the river. As the plans move forward to local review, we ask that storm water management options be carefully deliberated to avoid impacts from the addition of impervious surfaces such as buildings, drives, and parking areas.

Recommendation: We ask that storm water management practices include current and up-to-date smart-growth techniques and low-impact design elements that address the impacts of additional hardscape.

Scenery Conservation and Preservation of the View

Scenic views along the Chattahoochee River serve as a fundamental motivation for engaging visitors in a truly natural and serene experience. The CRNRA provides the population of the metropolitan area with 65% of its greenspace. This greenspace is valued by visitors seeking outdoor experiences and solitude in proximity to their homes and work. The preservation and protection of the scenery and natural viewshed of the Chattahoochee River Corridor is a priority for the NPS.

Recommendation: The NPS requests that building heights are controlled within the visual limits of the Chattahoochee River Corridor to preserve the natural view and scenic qualities of the river.

We appreciate your consideration of these comments. Please feel free to contact park's Chief of Planning and Resource Management, Deanna Greco, directly if you have any questions or concerns that we could help to address. She can be reached at 678-538-1321 or by email at Deanna_Greco@nps.gov.

Thank you,

William L. Cox Superintendent

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	DEVELOPMENT OF REGIONAL Initial DRI Information								
determine if the project appear	his form is to be completed by the city or county government to provide basic project information that will allow the RDC to etermine if the project appears to meet or exceed applicable DRI thresholds. Refer to both the Rules for the DRI Process and the RI Tiers and Thresholds for more information.								
	Local Government Inform	ation							
Submitting Local Government:	Roswell								
Individual completing form:	Bradford D. Townsend, AICP								
Telephone:	770-594-6176								
E-mail:	btownsend@roswellgov.com								
herein. If a project is to be loca	epresentative completing this form is responsible fo tted in more than one jurisdiction and, in total, the p largest portion of the project is to be located is resp	roject meets or exceeds a DRI threshold, the							
	Proposed Project Informa	ation							
Name of Proposed Project:	Riverwalk Village								
Location (Street Address, GPS Coordinates, or Legal Land Lot Description):	1390 Old Alabama Road, Roswell GA								
Brief Description of Project:	Brief Description of Project: Mixed use developement: SFR/Townhome Units- 250 Multi-family Units - 1156 Senior Independent Living Units - 150 Civic/Institutional 200,000 sq. ft. Office - 1,700,000 sq. ft. General Commercial (Retail, Restaurant, Entertainment, Grocery) - 490,000 sq. ft. Hotel - 200 keys Tract -3 Alternative Residential site Use: SFR/ Townhomes Units - 76 Stack Flats Condos - 200								
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Development Type:									
(not selected)	Hotels	 Wastewater Treatment Facilities 							
Office	Mixed Use	Petroleum Storage Facilities							
Commercial	Airports	Water Supply Intakes/Reservoirs							
Wholesale & Distribution	on Attractions & Recreational Facilities	Intermodal Terminals							
Hospitals and Health Ca Facilities	are Post-Secondary Schools	Truck Stops							

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Housing	Waste Handling Facilities Any other development types
Industrial	Quarries, Asphalt & Cement Plants
If other development type, des	scribe:
Project Size (# of units, floor area, etc.):	SFR/Townhome Units- 250, Multi-family Units - 1156, Senior Independent Living Units - 150, Civic/Inst
Developer:	Marquise Roswell LLC
Mailing Address:	4828 Ashford Dunwoody Rd., Suite 400
Address 2:	
	City:Atlanta State: GA Zip:30338
Telephone:	770-391-1233
Email:	laurel@glawgp.com
Is property owner different from developer/applicant?	○ (not selected) ○ Yes ◎ No
If yes, property owner:	
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	Project Name:
information:	Project ID:
The initial action being requested of the local government for this project:	Rezoning Variance Sewer Water Permit Other
Is this project a phase or part of a larger overall project?	◎ (not selected) ◎ Yes ◎ No
If yes, what percent of the overall project does this project/phase represent?	
Estimated Project Completion Dates:	This project/phase: Phase 1 - 2018-2019 Overall project: 2026-2029
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DEVELOPMENT OF REGIONAL IMPACT Additional DRI Information						
This form is to be completed by the city or county government to provide information needed by the RDC for its review of the proposed DRI. Refer to both the Rules for the DRI Process and the DRI Tiers and Thresholds for more information.						
	Local Government Information					
Submitting Local Government:	Roswell					
Individual completing form:	Bradford D. Townsend, AICP					
Telephone:	770-594-6176					
Email:	btownsend@roswellgov.com					
	Project Information					
Name of Proposed Project:	Riverwalk Village					
DRI ID Number: 2456						
Developer/Applicant:	Marquise Roswell LLC					
Telephone:	404-965-3680					
Email(s):	laurel@glawgp.com					
	Additional 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.)	○ (not selected) ○ Yes ◎ No					
If yes, has that additional information been provided to your RDC and, if applicable, GRTA?	◎ (not selected) ○ Yes ○ No					
If no, the official review process	can not start until this additional information is provided.					
	Economic Development					
Estimated Value at Build-Out:	500 Million					

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revenues (i.e., property tax, sales tax) likely to be generated by the proposed development:	6.7 Million						
Is the regional work force sufficient to fill the demand created by the proposed project?	(not selected) Yes No						
Will this development displace any existing uses? (not selected) Yes No							
If yes, please describe (including	g number of units, square feet, etc): 341 existing Multi-Family Units						
	Water Supply						
Name of water supply provider for this site:	Fulton County						
What is the estimated water supply demand to be generated by the project, measured in Millions of Gallons Per Day (MGD)?	.8 MGD						
Is sufficient water supply capacity available to serve the proposed project?	(not selected) Yes No						
If no, describe any plans to expa	and the existing water supply capacity:						
Is a water line extension required to serve this project?	○ (not selected) ○ Yes ◎ No						
If yes, how much additional line	(in miles) will be required?						
	Wastewater Disposal						
Name of wastewater treatment provider for this site:	Fulton County						
What is the estimated sewage flow to be generated by the project, measured in Millions of Gallons Per Day (MGD)?	.8 MGD						
Is sufficient wastewater treatment capacity available to serve this proposed project?	(not selected) Yes No						
If no, describe any plans to expa	and existing wastewater treatment capacity:						
Is a sewer line extension required to serve this project?	○ (not selected) ○ Yes ◎ No						
If yes, how much additional line	(in miles) will be required?						
	Land Transportation						
How much traffic volume is expected to be generated by the proposed development, in peak hour vehicle trips per	3183 AM Peak hour vehicle trips						

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day? (If only an alternative measure of volume is available, please provide.)	
Has a traffic study been performed to determine whether or not transportation or access improvements will be needed to serve this project?	(not selected) Yes No
Are transportation improvements needed to serve this project?	(not selected) Yes No
If yes, please describe below:De	etermined by ARC, GRETA, and the City of Roswell during the DRI and Rezoning process.
	Solid Waste Disposal
How much solid waste is the project expected to generate annually (in tons)?	7056 Tons annually
Is sufficient landfill capacity available to serve this proposed project?	○ (not selected) ◎ Yes ○ No
If no, describe any plans to expa	and existing landfill capacity:
Will any hazardous waste be generated by the development?	(not selected) Yes 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?	42.7 %
	ed (such as buffers, detention or retention ponds, pervious parking areas) to mitigate the project's ment:Buffers, detention, retention ponds and pervious parking areas. Natural vegetative buffer in or.
	Environmental Quality
Is the development located with	in, or likely to affect any of the following:
Water supply watersheds?	(not selected) Yes No
2. Significant groundwater recharge areas?	(not selected) Yes No

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3. Wetlands?	(not selected) Yes No					
4. Protected mountains?	(not selected) Yes No					
5. Protected river corridors?	◯ (not selected) ◯ Yes ⊚ No					
6. Floodplains?	◯ (not selected) ◯ Yes ⊚ No					
7. Historic resources?	◯ (not selected) ◯ Yes ⊚ No					
8. Other environmentally sensitive resources?	(not selected) Yes No					
If you answered yes to any question above, describe how the identified resource(s) may be affected: Existing wetlands to be conform to US Army Corps of Engineers and City of Roswell jurisdictional wetland determination. Portion of the development is within the Chattahoochee River Corridor.						
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