

REGIONAL REVIEW NOTIFICATION

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DATE: March 28, 2023

TO: Chairman Jeffrey E. Turner, Clayton County Commission ATTN TO: Tiras Petrea, Zoning Administrator, Clayton County

RE: Development of Regional Impact Review

FROM: Mike Alexander, Director, ARC Center for Livable Communities

ARC has completed a preliminary regional review of the following DRI. ARC reviewed the DRI's relationship to regional plans, goals and policies – and impacts it may have on the activities, plans, goals and policies of other local jurisdictions as well as state, federal and other agencies. This preliminary report does not address whether the DRI is or is not in the best interest of the local government.

Name of Proposal: Pleasant Hill Road Residential DRI 3855

Submitting Local Government: Clayton County

<u>Date Opened</u>: March 28, 2023 <u>Comments Due</u>: April 12, 2023 <u>Date to Close</u>: April 13, 2023

<u>Description:</u> A DRI review of a proposal to construct 500 townhomes and 280 multi-family units on a currently wooded 73-acre site off of Pleasant Hill Road in Clayton County.

PRELIMINARY COMMENTS:

Key Comments

The Atlanta Region's Plan assigns the Established Suburbs growth management designation to the project site. The project is partially aligned with Established Suburbs policy recommendations which emphasize the importance of preserving single-family neighborhoods with appropriate infill development. The project could be more aligned with Established Suburbs policies by preserving additional wooded land and taking steps to retain existing trees within the development footprint.

The project is expected to generate approximately 5,574 daily new vehicular trips; several improvements to mitigate project generated vehicular traffic are identified in the TIS.

A total of 1,491 parking spaces are proposed but no EV charging or bike parking spaces are proposed; inclusion of a base number of both EV charging and bike parking spaces would be supportive of regional multi-modal transportation policies.

The Clayton Connects Greenway Trail Plan shows a key trail segment running along the northern and western edges of the site; the applicant should coordinate with Clayton County regarding providing an easement for and/or constructing the trail segment.

General Comments

The Atlanta Region's Plan, developed by ARC in close coordination with partner local governments, is intended to broadly guide regional development in the 12-county metro region to ensure that required infrastructure and resources are in place to support continued economic development and prosperity. The Plan assigns a relevant growth management category designation to all areas in the region- Established Suburbs for this project – and provides accompanying growth policy recommendations which are detailed at the end of these comments.

Transportation and Mobility Comments

ARC's Transportation Access and Mobility Group comments will be provided in the Final Report.

The project is projected to generate 5,574 daily new vehicular trips; a number of roadway improvements to mitigate the traffic impact are proposed.

The Clayton Connects Greenway Trail Plan shows a key trail segment running along the northern and western edges of the site; the applicant should coordinate with Clayton County regarding providing and easement for and/or constructing the trail segment.

A total of 1,491 parking spaces are proposed but no EV charging or bike parking spaces are provided; inclusion of a base number of both EV charging and bike parking spaces would be supportive of regional multi-modal transportation policies.

Care should be taken to ensure that the development, as constructed, promotes an interconnected, functional, clearly marked and comfortable pedestrian experience on all driveways, paths, entrances, and parking areas. To the maximum extent possible, new driveways and intersection corners where pedestrians will cross should be constructed with minimal curb radii to reduce speeds of turning vehicles and decrease crossing distances for pedestrians.

ARC Natural Resources Group Comments

ARC's Natural Resources Group comments will be provided in the Final Report.

Environmental Comments

Almost all of the 72 acre site is currently wooded and Camp Creek and an unnamed tributary traverse the site. Five of the project's 72 acres will be retained as open space. Additional retention of wooded and stream-adjacent areas would be desirable and in keeping with regional goals regarding carbon sequestration

and climate change/heat island effect mitigation. There may be potential opportunities for linking these fragmented undeveloped areas with adjacent undeveloped or protected areas to ensure their maintenance and potential use for recreation or habitat preservation.

Incorporation of green stormwater and heat island mitigation designs for the large number of surface car parking spaces proposed and use of an ecosystem-based design for the stormwater detention areas would be supportive of regional environmental policies.

The project can further support The Atlanta Region's Plan in general by incorporating other aspects of regional policy, including green infrastructure and/or low-impact design, e.g., pervious pavers, rain gardens, vegetated swales, etc., in parking areas and site driveways, and as part of any improvements to site frontages.

Atlanta Region's Plan Growth Policy Considerations: Established Suburbs

According to the Atlanta Region's Plan, Established Suburbs are areas where suburban development has occurred and are characterized by single-family subdivisions, commercial development, and office, industrial and multi-family development. These areas represent the part of the region that has recently reached "build-out." With few remaining large parcels for additional development, these are the areas in which the region may see the least amount of land-use change outside of retail and commercial areas. While there is still room for limited infill development, these areas will begin to focus more on redevelopment over the next 30 years.

Preservation of existing single-family neighborhoods is important, and wholesale change will most likely not occur in the single-family subdivisions that make up a majority of these areas. However, infill and redevelopment will occur in areas of retail/commercial concentrations, especially commercial corridors.

By providing a large number of attached single-family units, the project partially aligns with The Atlanta Region's Plan's recommendations for Established Suburbs. The project could be more aligned with Established Suburbs recommendations by preserving additional wooded land and by utilizing a construction approach that retains existing trees in the development footprint where possible rather that clear-cutting than entire site. Clayton County leadership and staff, along with the applicant team, should collaborate closely to ensure maximum sensitivity to nearby local governments, neighborhoods, land uses and natural systems.

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

ATLANTA REGIONAL COMMISSION
GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCE
GEORGIA REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY

GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS
GEORGIA SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION COMMISSION

GEORGIA ENVIRONMENTAL FINANCE AUTHORITY
CITY OF COLLEGE PARK
CITY OF UNION CITY
FAYETTE COUNTY

GEORGIA CONSERVANCY
CITY OF EAST POINT
CLAYTON COUNTY

CITY OF SOUTH FULTON CITY OF RIVERDALE FULTON COUNTY

For questions, please contact Donald Shockey at (470) 378–1531 or dshockey@atlantaregional.org. This finding will be published to the ARC review website located at http://atlantaregional.org/plan-reviews.





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DRI #3855 DEVELOPMENT OF REGIONAL IMPACT Initial DRI Information 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 Rules for the DRI Process and the DRI Tiers and Thresholds for more information. **Local Government Information** Submitting Local Government: Clayton County Individual completing form: Tiras Petrea Telephone: 770.477.3577 E-mail: Tiras.Petrea@claytoncountyga.gov *Note: The local government representative completing this form is responsible for the accuracy of the information contained herein. If a project is to be located in more than one jurisdiction and, in total, the project meets or exceeds a DRI threshold, the local government in which the largest portion of the project is to be located is responsible for initiating the DRI review process **Proposed Project Information** Name of Proposed Project: Pleasant Hill Road Residential Location (Street Address, 1820 Pleasant Hill Rd (Tax Parcel 13103A A001) GPS Coordinates, or Legal Land Lot Description): Brief Description of Project: The tract is currently undeveloped and is in the RM (Multiple Family Residential) Zoning District Phase 1 consists of 500 townhomes units Phase 2 consists of 280 multifamily unit **Development Type:** Hotels (not selected) Wastewater Treatment Facilities Office Mixed Use Petroleum Storage Facilities Commercial Airports Water Supply Intakes/Reservoirs Wholesale & Distribution Attractions & Recreational Facilities Intermodal Terminals Hospitals and Health Care Facilities Post-Secondary Schools Truck Stops Housing Waste Handling Facilities Any other development types Industrial Quarries, Asphalt & Cement Plants If other development type, describe: Project Size (# of units, floor Ph 1 - 500 townhomes; Ph 2 - 280 multifamily Developer: Brent Holdings LLC Mailing Address: 270 N Jeff Davis Dr Address 2: City:Fayetteville State: GA Zip:30214 Telephone: 770.461.0478 Email: rferry@brentholdings.net (not selected) Yes No from developer/applicant? If yes, property owner: South Fulton LLC Is the proposed project (not selected) Yes No

entirely located within your

local government's jurisdiction?	
If no, in what additional jurisdictions is the project located?	GDOT ROW along frontage
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:	Sewer
Is this project a phase or part of a larger overall project?	
If yes, what percent of the overall project does this project/phase represent?	
	This project/phase: Ph 1 - Oct 2025 Overall project: Oct 2027
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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: Clayton County

Individual completing form: Tiras Petrea

Telephone: 770.477.3577

Email: Tiras.Petrea@claytoncountyga.gov

Project Information

Name of Proposed Project: Pleasant Hill Road Residential

DRI ID Number: 3855

Developer/Applicant: Brent Holdings LLC

Telephone: 770.461.0478

Email(s): rferry@brentholdings.net

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.)

If yes, has that additional

information been provided

(not selected) Yes No to your RDC and, if applicable, GRTA?

If no, the official review process can not start until this additional information is provided.

(not selected) Yes No

Economic Development

Estimated Value at Build-

102,600,000

Estimated annual local tax revenues (i.e., property tax, sales tax) likely to be generated by the proposed

1.815.856

development: 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 number of units, square feet, etc):

Water Supply

Name of water supply provider for this site:

Clayton County Water Authority

What is the estimated water supply demand to be generated by the project, measured in Millions of Gallons Per Day (MGD)?	844.56			
Is sufficient water supply capacity available to serve the proposed project?	(not selected) Yes No			
If no, describe any plans to expand 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:	Clayton County Water Authority			
What is the estimated sewage flow to be generated by the project, measured in Millions of Gallons Per Day (MGD)?	844.56			
Is sufficient wastewater treatment capacity available to serve this proposed project?	(not selected) Yes No			
If no, describe any plans to expand 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? Approximately 1.3 miles - All internal extensions from existing main				
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.)	Daily Trips 5,574; AM Peak Hour Trips: 104 entering, 256 exiting; PM Peak Hour Trips: 255 entering, 177 exiting			
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	:See detailed traffic study for more information.			
Solid Waste Disposal				
How much solid waste is the project expected to generate annually (in tons)?	638			
Is sufficient landfill capacity available to serve this proposed project?	(not selected) Yes No			
If no, describe any plans to expand 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 cite	50%			

What percentage of the site 50% is projected to be impervious surface once the

proposed development has been constructed?				
Describe any measures proposed (such as buffers, detention or retention ponds, pervious parking areas) to mitigate the project's impacts on stormwater management:60' BUFFERS ALONG THE NORTH AND SOUTH, PORTIONS AT 45' SETBACK; PHASE II HAS 20' SETBACKS. 25' YARD SETBACK IN CENTER AROUND EXISTING SINGLE FAMILY PARCEL. STATE AND COUNTY STREAM BUFFERS ALONG EXISTING STREAMS (25' STATE, 50' UNDISTURBED AND 75' IMPERVIOUS). DETENTION PONDS, BIO PONDS, PERVIOUS PARKING STALLS AND INFILTRATION TRENCHES THROUGHOUT. POSSIBLE UNDERGROUND STORAGE FOR PHASE II (MULTIFAMILY).				
Environmental Quality				
Is the development located within, or likely to affect any of the following:				
Water supply watersheds?	(not selected) Yes No			
Significant groundwater recharge areas?	(not selected) Yes No			
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: THERE IS FLOOD ZONE AT REAR, BUT PLANS ARE TO AVOID. ONE INTERMITTENT STREAM CROSSING PROPOSED. NWP WILL BE REQUIRED FOR CROSSING.				
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