

DRI REGIONAL REVIEW FINDING

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DATE: July 25, 2024

TO: Mayor Andre Dickens, City of Atlanta

ATTN TO: Monique Forte, Assistant Director, Office of Design, Planning Studio

FROM: Mike Alexander, COO, Atlanta Regional Commission

RE: Development of Regional Impact (DRI) Review

ARC has completed a regional review of the below 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 final report does not address whether the DRI is or is not in the best interest of the host local government.

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Submitting Local Government: City of Atlanta

<u>Date Opened</u>: July 8, 2024 <u>Date Closed:</u> July 25, 2024

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Comments:

Key Comments and Recommendations

The project is generally aligned with applicable Maturing Neighborhoods policy recommendations which note: "infill development, redevelopment, and adaptive reuse of existing buildings in this area needs to be balanced with the preservation of existing single-family neighborhoods."

The project could be better aligned with regional environmental and heat mitigation policies by preserving more of the densely wooded area at the SE corner of the site.

The project most strongly aligns with regional development policies encouraging redevelopment of previously developed sites and transit oriented development which provides higher density mixed-use development within walking distance of transit connections.

The project's mix of residential, office and retail uses and inclusion of 1,600 multifamily units – within a short walk of the Bankhead MARTA station and directly adjacent to the Beltline and two Beltline spur trails – is strongly supportive of regional TOD and multi-modal transportation policies.

Provision of a traffic signal and crosswalks at Finley Avenue and Donald Lee Hollowell Parkway would best integrate the project with available transit and pedestrian connections.

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A significant portion of the existing site is heavily wooded; utilization of a sensitive site design, land clearing and construction approach in order to preserve as many trees as possible would be supportive of regional heat mitigation and stormwater management policies.

Multiple large mixed-use developments are proposed within walking distance of the project and the nearby Bankhead MARTA station. Final design of the project should promote connectivty between all of these developments to the greatest extent possible.

General Comments

According to the ARC Unified Growth Policy Map (UGPM), part of The Atlanta Region's Plan, the project is designated as Maturing Neighborhoods. The Plan's Regional Development Guide (RDG) provides general information and policy recommendations for Maturing Neighborhoods as described at the end of these comments.

Transportation and Mobility Comments

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Care should be taken to ensure that the constructed development provides 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.

Natural Resources Comments

ARC's Natural Resources Comments are attached. The project site is located in the Proctor Creek Watershed, which in turn falls within the Chattahoochee River Watershed. There are no applicable watershed requirements for the property. Both the USGS coverage for the project area and the project site plan show no streams on the project property. Any unmapped streams on the property may be subject to the requirements of the City stream buffer protection ordinance and the State 25–foot Sediment and Erosion Control buffer, and any unmapped State waters identified on the property may be subject to the State 25–foot Sediment and Erosion Control buffer.

MARTA Comments

Attached comments received from MARTA include: (1) add direct pedestrian access to Donald Lee Hollowell Pkwy from Building Area A to ensure convenient access to bus stop; (2) coordinate street trees near bus stop with MARTA in order to ensure bus stop is not blocked and waiting passengers have proper visibility; (3) the planned Bankhead Station Transit-Oriented-Development is within a 5-minute walk of the project amd the plans should be reviewed and integrated into the subject development wherever possible.

Environmental Comments

The project site falls within a traditionally underserved minority neighborhood that is at a higher risk of climate change-induced heat impacts. A significant portion of the existing site is heavily wooded; utilization of a sensitive land clearing and construction approach in order to preserve as many trees as possible would be supportive of regional heat mitigation and stormwater management policies. The project can further support The Atlanta Region's Plan by incorporating other aspects of regional environmental 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.

Regional Growth Policy Considerations

This DRI site is assigned the Maturing Neighborhoods category on the Atlanta Region's Plan Unified Growth Policy Map which identifies older neighborhoods that include both single- and multi-family development,

as well as commercial and office uses at connected key locations, that were mostly built out before 1980. They represent the largest part of the region that is facing infill and redevelopment pressures. In many cases, infrastructure is in place to handle additional growth, but in some areas, infrastructure is built out with limited capacity for expansion. This may constrain the amount of additional growth possible in certain areas. Many arterial streets in this area are congested due to their use as regional routes for commuters. Limited premium transit service is available in these areas.

The demand for infill development, redevelopment, and adaptive reuse of existing buildings in this area needs to be balanced with the preservation of existing single-family neighborhoods, as well as the need for additional usable parks and greenspace close to residents, including amenities such as trails and sidewalks. The proposed project generally aligns with The Atlanta Region's Plan's recommendations for Maturing Neighborhoods.

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

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GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
GEORGIA ENVIRONMENTAL FINANCE AUTHORITY
MARTA

GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCE
GEORGIA REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY
GEORGIA CONSERVANCY
BELTLINE

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PRELIMINARY COMMENTS:

The project is generally aligned with applicable Maturing Neighborhoods policy recommendations which note: "infill development, redevelopment, and adaptive reuse of existing buildings in this area needs to be balanced with the preservation of existing single-family neighborhoods."

The project's adaptive reuse of an previously developed but currently vacant site is opitmally supportive of regional placemaking and redevelopment policies.

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General Comments

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<u>Unified Growth Policy Considerations: Maturing Neighborhoods</u>

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The demand for infill development, redevelopment, and adaptive reuse of existing buildings in this area needs to be balanced with the preservation of existing single–family neighborhoods, as well as the need for additional usable parks and greenspace close to residents, including amenities such as trails and sidewalks. The proposed project generally aligns with The Atlanta Region's Plan's recommendations for Maturing Neighborhoods. The project utilizes previously developed land for new residential development, includes a mix of uses, and takes advantage of nearby transit and trail connections. The project could be further aligned with Maturing Neighborhood policies by utilizing a sensitive development approach intended to retain as much of the existing tree canopy as feasible to mitigate heat island and climate change impacts. City of Atlanta leadership and staff, along with the applicant team, should collaborate closely to ensure optimal sensitivity to the needs of nearby local governments, neighborhoods, and natural systems.

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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: Atlanta

DRI #4187

Individual completing form: Monique Forte
Telephone: 470-279-1545

E-mail: mbforte@atlantaga.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: 1060 Donald Lee Hollowell

Location (Street Address, 1060 Donald Lee Hollowell Parkway, Atlanta, GA 30318

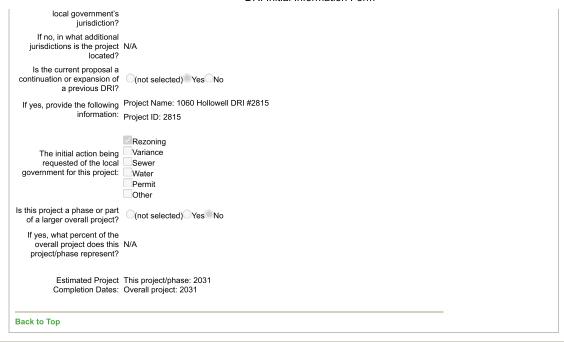
GPS Coordinates, or Legal Land Lot Description):

If ves, property owner: N/A

entirely located within your

Is the proposed project (not selected) Yes No

Brief Description of Project:		I 1,600 multifamily units, 575,000 SF of an approximately 15.49-acre site.	office space, and 125,000 SF of
Development Type:			
(not selected)		Hotels	Wastewater Treatment Facilities
Office		Mixed Use	Petroleum Storage Facilities
Commercial		Airports	Water Supply Intakes/Reservoirs
Wholesale & Distribution		OAttractions & 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, de	scribe:		
Project Size (# of units, floor area, etc.):	1,600 multifamily units, 575,000 SF of office space, and 125,000 SF of retail		
Developer:	1060 DLF	H, LLC c/o The Allen Morris Co.	
Mailing Address:	121 Alhambra Plaza		
Address 2:	Suite 160	0	
	City:Cora	l Gables State: FL Zip:33134	
Telephone:	305-443-	1000	
Email:	1060DLH	@allenmorris.com	
Is property owner different from developer/applicant?	(not se	lected) Yes No	



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DEVELOPMENT OF REGIONAL IMPACT Additional DRI Information

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Developer/Applicant: 1060 DLH, LLC c/o The Allen Morris Co.

Telephone: 305-443-1000

Email(s): 1060DLH@allenmorris.com

Additional Information Requested

Has the RDC identified any additional information required in order to proceed

with the official regional

(not selected) Yes No

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.

Economic Development

Estimated Value at Build-Out:

\$350-\$750M

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

\$4-6M

Is the regional work force sufficient to fill the demand

development:

(not selected) Yes No

created by the proposed project?

Will this development (not selected) Yes No displace any existing uses?

If yes, please describe (including number of units, square feet, etc): Approximately 86,472 SF of Warehousing buildings currently exist on the site. The existing land use/square footage was considered vacant for the purposes of the DRI

review.

Water Supply

Name of water supply provider for this site:	City of Atlanta Department of Watershed Management					
What is the estimated water						
supply demand to be generated by the project, measured in Millions of Gallons Per Day (MGD)?	0.60 MGD					
Is sufficient water supply capacity available to serve the proposed project?	(not selected) Yes No					
If no, describe any plans to e	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:	City of Atlanta Department of Watershed Management					
What is the estimated sewage flow to be generated by the project, measured in Millions of Gallons Per Day (MGD)?	0.50 MGD					
Is sufficient wastewater treatment capacity available to serve this proposed project?	(not selected) Yes No					
If no, describe any plans to e	expand existing wastewater treatment capacity:					
Is a sewer line extension required to serve this project?	(not selected) Yes No					
If yes, how much additional li	ine (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 day? (If only an alternative measure of volume is available, please provide.)	12,830 Daily, 1,220 AM Peak, 1,150 PM Peak					
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	r:Please see the traffic study completed by Kimley-Horn					
	Solid Weste Dianage	-				
	Solid Waste Disposal					
How much solid waste is the project expected to generate annually (in tons)?	9089 tons					
Is sufficient landfill capacity available to serve this proposed project?	(not selected) Yes No					
If no, describe any plans to e	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 site is projected to be	Approx. 88%					

	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: A combination of stormwater detention, retention, permeable paving, and infiltration will be utilized to mitigate stormwater impacts.							
	Environmental Quality						
	Is the development located w						
	1. Water supply watersheds?	(not selected) Yes No					
	2. Significant groundwater recharge areas?	(not selected) Yes No					
l	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: A floodplain is located on the site as indicated in the site plan in an area not proposed to be impacted by the development infrastructure.							
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1060 DONALD LEE HOLLOWELL DRI

City of Atlanta Natural Resources Department Review Comments July 15, 2024

While ARC and the Metropolitan North Georgia Water Planning District have no regulatory or review authority over this project, the Natural Resources Group has identified City and State regulations that could apply to this property. Other regulations may also apply that we have not identified.

Watershed Protection

The project property is located in the Proctor Creek Watershed, which in turn is within the Chattahoochee River Watershed. Proctor Creek's confluence with the Chattahoochee River is downstream of the existing public water supply intakes on the Chattahoochee. However, proposed intakes in South Fulton and Coweta County would include this portion of the Chattahoochee River watershed as a large water supply watershed (over 100 square miles), as defined 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. This property is more than seven miles upstream of the nearest proposed public water supply intake on the Chattahoochee.

Stream Buffers

Both the USGS coverage for the project area and the project site plan show no streams on the project property. Any unmapped streams on the property may be subject to the requirements of the City stream buffer protection ordinance and the State 25-foot Sediment and Erosion Control buffer, and any unmapped State waters identified on the property may be subject to the State 25-foot Sediment and Erosion Control buffer.

Stormwater/Water Quality

The project should adequately address the impacts of the proposed development on stormwater runoff and downstream water quality.

During the planning phase, the stormwater management system (system) should meet the requirements of the local jurisdiction's post-construction (or post-development) stormwater management ordinance. The system should be designed to prevent increased flood damage, streambank channel erosion, habitat degradation and water quality degradation, and enhance and promote the public health, safety and general welfare. The system design should also be in accordance with the applicable sections of the Georgia Stormwater Management Manual (www.georgiastormwater.com) such as design standards, calculations, formulas, and methods. Where possible, the project should use stormwater better site design practices included in the Georgia Stormwater Management Manual, Volume 2, Section 2.3.

During construction, the project should conform to the relevant state and federal erosion and sedimentation control requirements.

