### GREATER LOWNDES PLANNING COMMISSION AGENDA ITEM

SUBJECT: Rezoning Case REZ-2022-16 Regular Meeting (x)

Work Session (x)

DATE OF MEETING: September 26, 2022 Recommendation (x)

Policy/Discussion ()

BUDGET IMPACT: N/A Report ( )

FUNDING SOURCE: ( ) Annual ( ) SPLOST ( ) Capital (X) N/A

ACTION REQUESTED ON: REZ-2022-16 The Townes 4443

Bemiss Road & Mulligan Road

C-G & R-A to P-D & C-G, County Utilities, ~14 acres

### HISTORY, FACTS AND ISSUES:

This request represents a change in zoning on the subject properties from R-A (Residential Agricultural) to P-D (Planned Development) and C-G (Commercial General) to P-D; and from R-A to C-G zoning. The general motivation in this case is for the applicant to create a mixture of residential and commercial sites for development in various stages. The subject property is within the Urban Service Area and Neighborhood Activity Center Character Area, and possesses road frontage on Bemiss Road and Mulligan Road.

If approved for rezoning, the Applicant will construct a multi-family residential development on parcels 0145C 182(Yellow), 0145 181A(Green), and a portion of 0145C 181(Orange) respectively and a commercial area for future development on the remainder of parcel 0145C 181(Blue) on the subject property (refer to Rezoning Exhibit).

There is a combined 7.15 acres requesting R-A to P-D zoning, and 1.51 acres requesting C-G to P-D zoning, for a total of 8.66 acres of P-D. (Green + Yellow + Orange)

There are 3.47 acres requesting R-A to C-G zoning (Blue), in addition to the remaining 2.06 acres currently zoned C-G, for a total of 5.56 acres of commercial zoning.

Per Comprehensive Plan Guidance, the proposed zonings are recommended as part of the development strategy and are consistent with the surrounding development patterns along Bemiss Road and Mulligan Road.

Staff finds the request overall consistent with the Comprehensive Plan and existing land use patterns, and the TRC had no objectionable comments

OPTIONS: 1. Approve 2. Approve with Conditions 3. Table 4. Deny

DIVISION: Planning & Zoning Staff: JD Dillard

Planning & Zoning Staff

Recommendation by the Commission:



September 6, 2022

Electronic Mail to: jdillard@lowndescounty.com

Lowndes County, Planning and Zoning Director Attn: JD Dillard 327 N. Ashley St 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Valdosta, Georgia 31601

RE: LETTER OF INTENT in relation to Stoker Utilities Application for Rezoning from C-G to P-D, R-A to P-D, and R-A to C-G for the properties located off Bemiss Rd. and Mulligan Rd., Valdosta, Lowndes County, Georgia

I, represent and serve as agent of Stoker Utilities ("Applicant") in connection with its application for rezoning approval (the "Application"). This Letter of Intent is intended to supplement the Application and be incorporated therein.

The Applicant is seeking Lowndes County approval to rezone the properties commonly known as parcels 0145C 182, 0145C 181, and 0145C 181A located on Bemiss Rd, in Valdosta, Lowndes County, Georgia, from C-G (General Commercial) to P-D (Planned Development), R-A (Residential Agriculture) to P-D (Planned Development), and R-A (Residential Agriculture) to C-G (General Commercial).

#### **Subject Property – General Information**

The subject properties total 14.1 acres, including three separate parcels and submitted for plat approval upon Applicant's purchase of the two additional parcels. Each parcel is described below.

### • Parcel 1 – Bemiss Rd., Lowndes County Parcel No. 0145C 182

Parcel 1 is an approximately 3.5-acre parcel currently zoned C-G (General Commercial). Parcel 1 borders Parcel 2 on its southern property line and Parcel 3 on its western property line. It is located off Bemiss Rd. and is vacant/undeveloped. Parcel 1 is owned by Stoker Utilities.

#### • Parcel 2 – Mulligan Rd., Lowndes County Parcel No. 0145C 181A

Parcel 2 is an approximately 2.5-acre parcel currently zoned R-A (Residential Agriculture). Parcel 2 borders Parcel 1 on its northern property line and Parcel 3 on its northwestern property line. Parcel 2 is developed with two single-family residences, with 2 barns located to the left and behind one resident. Parcel 2 is owned by Mulligan Manor, LLC, Jason Bailey, and is currently under contract for purchase by Applicant.

### • Parcel 3 – Bemiss Rd., Lowndes County Parcel No. 0145C 181

Parcel 3 is an approximately 8.1-acre parcel currently zoned R-A (Residential Agriculture). Parcel 3 borders Parcel 1 and Parcel 2 their eastern property lines. Parcel 3 is vacant/undeveloped. Parcel 3 is owned by J and H Investments, LLC, Jason Bailey and is currently under contract for purchase by Applicant.

### **Proposed Use**

If approved for rezoning, Applicant will construct a multi-family residential development on parcels 0145C 182(yellow), 0145 181A(green), and a portion of 0145C 181(orange) respectively and a commercial area for future development on the remainder of parcel 0145C 181 (blue) on the subject property.

### Site Plan, Rendering, Building Elevations

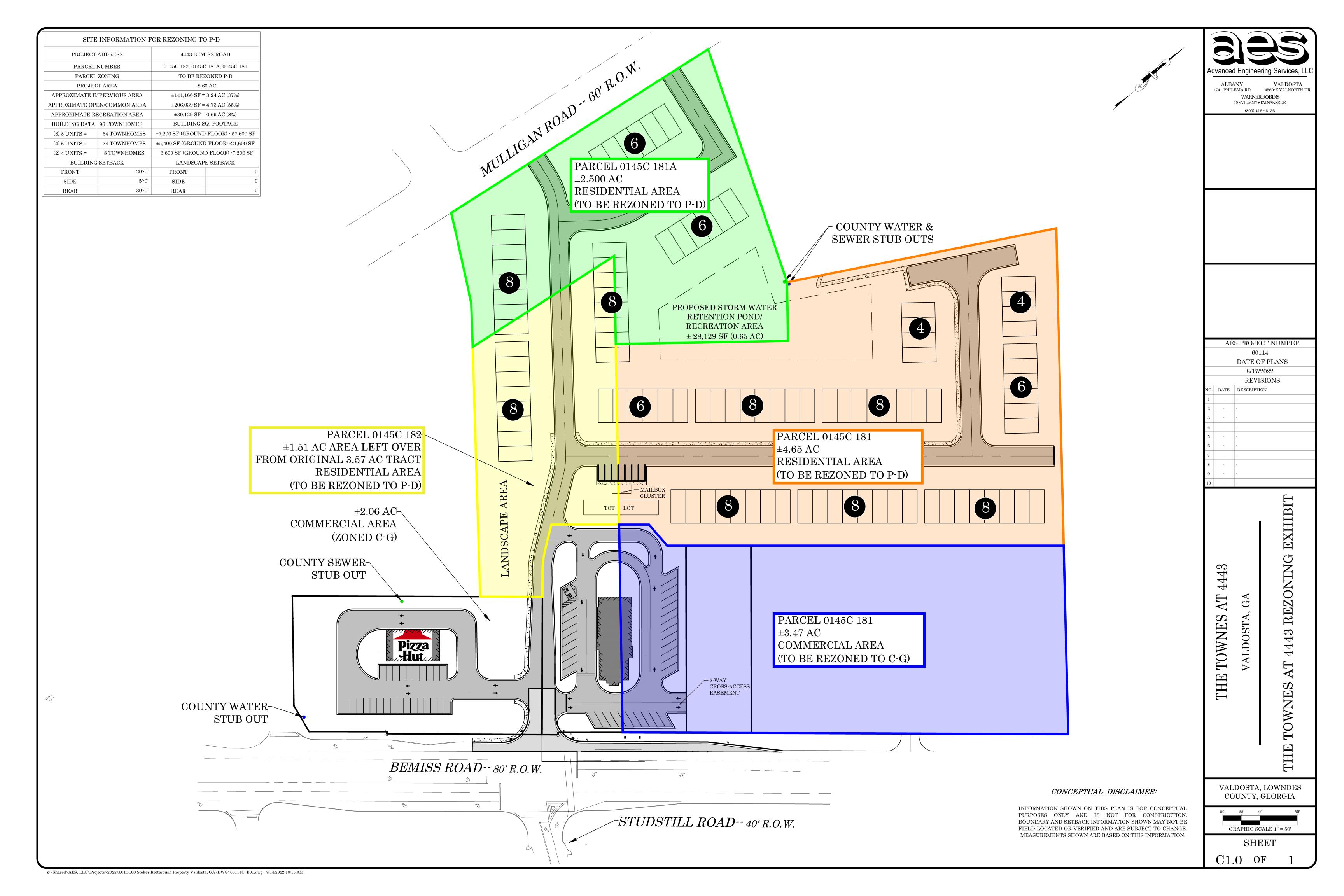
Bemiss Road is a main thoroughfare in this region of Lowndes County. Major road improvement plans are proposed for construction at the intersection of Bemiss Road and Studstill Road, which directly impact the subject property. The road improvements to Bemiss Road include the addition of a signal light at the intersection as well as sidewalks which are tied into the development of the subject property.

I, along with Applicant, look forward to working the Community Development team, the Planning Commission, and the County Commission, and are happy to answer any questions or address any concerns.

Sincerely,

Advanced Engineering Services, LLC

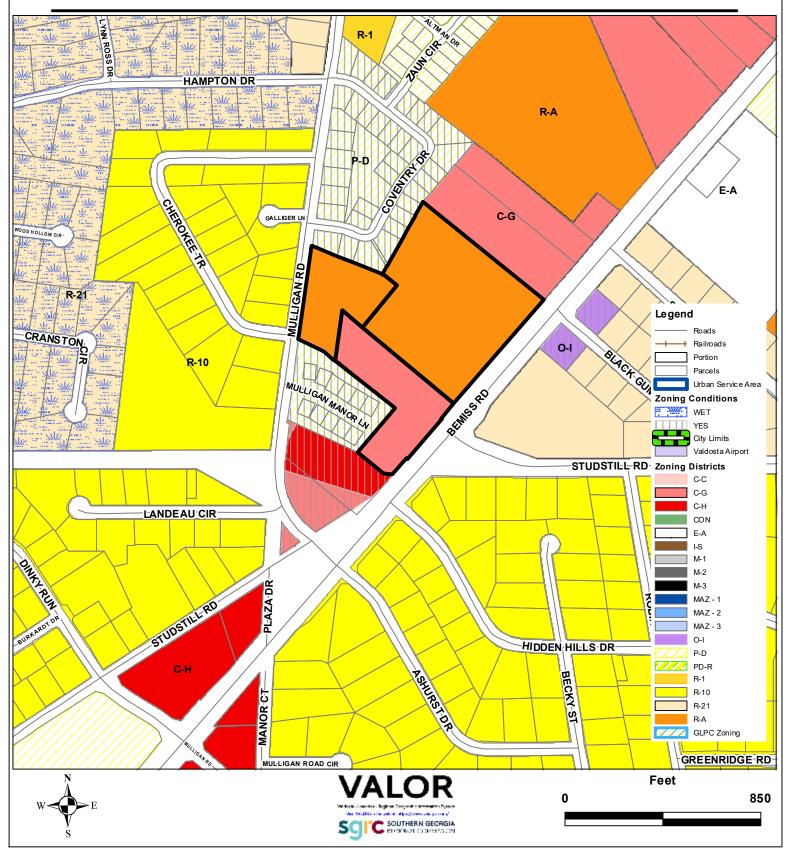
Matthew Inman, P.E. Senior Project Manager



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## **Zoning Location Map**

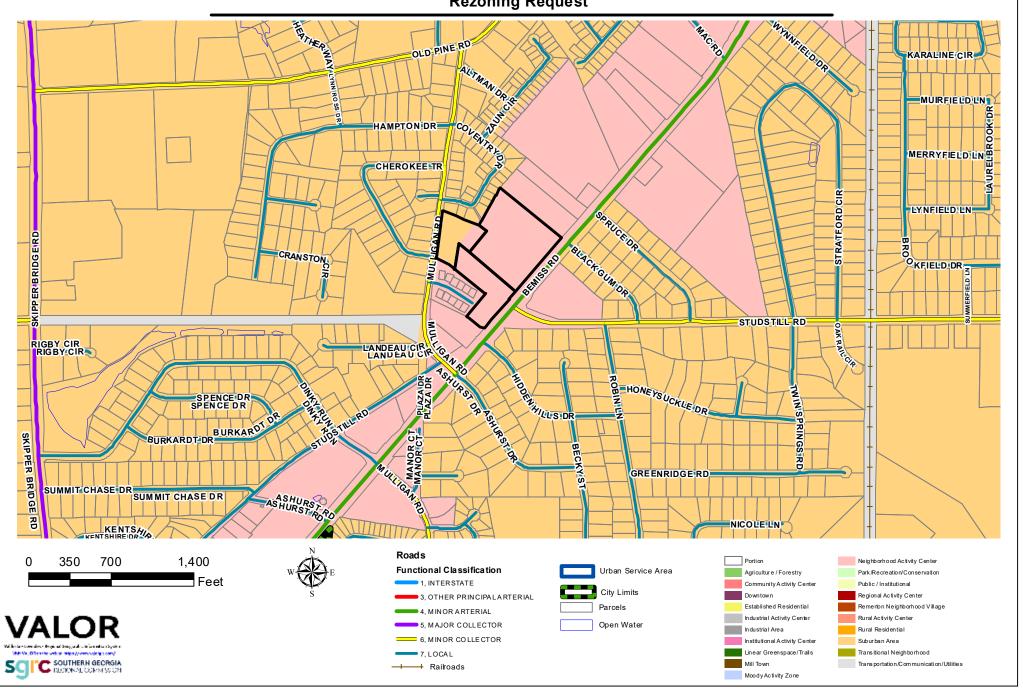
4443 Bemiss Rd Rezoning Request CURRENT ZONING: C-G and R-A PROPOSED ZONING: P-D and C-G



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### **Future Development Map**





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## **WRPDO Site Map**

### Legend



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