

Comprehensive Plan Issues

Character Area: Established Residential

Description: Typically an older neighborhood having relatively well-maintained housing, possessing a distinct identity through architectural styles, lot and street design, and having higher rates of home-ownership. These areas are typically located closer to the core of the community and may be located next to areas facing intense development pressures..

Development Strategy: Focus should be on reinforcing stability by encouraging more homeownership and maintenance or upgrade of existing properties. Vacant properties offer opportunity for infill development of new, architecturally compatible housing. Strong pedestrian and bicycle connections should be provided to enable residents to walk/bike to work, shopping, or other destinations in the area.

Goals and Policies:

GOAL 4: NATURAL and CULTURAL RESOURCES – To provide for the continued protection of our natural and cultural resources for current and future generations.

GOAL 7: LAND USE – To ensure the community's anticipated growth occurs in a well-integrated yet organized fashion, which protects our community resources, promotes efficient use of infrastructure and transportation facilities, and supports quality economic development.

POLICY 7.4 – Positive impacts on the built and natural environment shall be anticipated through only the highest standard of development throughout all parts of the community.

POLICY 7.5 – Available land shall be utilized in the most efficient manner while focusing on redevelopment of land where feasible.

Conditional Use Review Criteria

The following criteria shall be applied in evaluating and deciding any application for a Conditional Use Permit. No application for a Conditional Use Permit shall be granted by the City Council unless satisfactory provisions and arrangements have been made concerning each of the following criteria, all of which are applicable to each application:

(1) Is the proposed use consistent with the requirements of the zoning district in which it is located, including required parking, loading areas, setbacks and transitional buffers?	
Applicant:	Yes, the church has been in this location for many years.
Staff:	Yes
(2) Is the proposed use compatible with the land uses on adjacent properties, including the size, scale and massing of buildings?	
Applicant:	Yes, the church has been in this location for many years.
Staff:	Yes.
(3) Is the ingress and egress to the subject property, and all proposed buildings, structures and uses thereon adequate? Are the public streets providing access to the subject site adequate to safely handle the traffic generated by the proposed use?	
Applicant:	Yes, plus the City/GDOT are currently widening both Country Club Drive and Eager Road.
Staff:	Yes, particularly after the abutting road widening improvements are completed.,
(4) How will the proposed use impact other public facilities and services, including stormwater management, schools, parks, sidewalks, and utilities? Are these facilities and services adequate to support the proposed use?	
Applicant:	No impact. Development standards will be met.
Staff:	Public facilities are adequate to support the proposed expanded use.