Conditional District Zoning Application (CD21-02) STAFF REPORT

APPLICATION SUMMARY Request: To rezone properties from the (R-1) Single Family Limited Zoning District to the (CD/C-1) Conditional District / Light Commercial Zoning District, in order to allow Contractor's Office and Operations Center **Applicant(s): Property Owner(s):** Gerald L. & Sandra F. Lutz Gerald L. & Sandra F. Lutz **Parcel Identification (PID): Property Location:** 303483 359 Huffstetler Lake Rd. (Dallas) **Total Property Acreage:** Acreage for Map Change: 1.45 ac 1.45 ac **Current Zoning: Proposed Zoning:** (CD/C-1) Conditional District / Light Commercial (R-1) Single Family Limited **Existing Land Use: Proposed Land Use:** Residential Contractor's Office and Operations Center

COMPREHENSIVE LAND USE PLAN

Area 2: North 321 Gaston/North Central Gaston

Key issues for citizens in this area include preservation of open space; road improvements and better connectivity to other areas of the County and throughout the region; more transportation alternatives; preservation of agriculture and maintaining the rural "feel" of the community; and, steering development towards existing infrastructure and areas immediately surrounding towns and cities.

Comprehensive Plan future Land Use:

Rural areas are characterized by green, rolling hills and plenty of open space, along with farmstead style housing, as well as agribusinesses. Residential homes are located on large lots and are set back from the roads they front upon. There are many opportunities for agribusiness ventures in this designation as well, including farming, landscaping and associated nurseries, etc. It is understood that this is the default use designation for Gaston County.

Staff Recommendation:

Application, as presented, is consistent with the Comprehensive Land Use Plan. Should the Board approve the request, staff recommends that the attached conditions are adopted, as the conditions are designed to mitigate some of the effects of the development.

UTILITIES AND ROAD NETWORK INFRASTRUCTURE

Water/Sewer Provider:

Private well / private septic

Road Maintenance:

North Carolina Department of Transportation

PUBLIC INFORMATION MEETINGS (Required)

November 23, 2020 and November 24, 2020

- One (1) citizen was in attendance
- <u>Highlights covered by applicant included</u>: included provisions for buffering/screening along applicable property boundaries of adjacent property owners; designated parking; employee operations
- <u>Notes of concern by attendees</u>: screening between properties; noise; hours of operation
- <u>Staff observation</u>: The first PIM did not receive any citizens; the second PIM received one (1) citizen with the noted concerns; the owner/applicant agreed to meet the requests of the adjoining property owner and increased the buffer/screening requirement along the adjoining property line (to exceed any buffer requirement within the UDO) and adjusted the hours of operation to accommodate for any noise related to the entering/exiting of employees.

TRANSPORTATION PLANNING INFORMATION

Technical Review Committee (TRC) comments provided by Gaston Lincoln Cleveland Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO)

Highlights from the comments did not include any significant projects in the immediate area. (See attached)

STAFF SUMMARY

Prepared By: Sarah Carpenter Penley, Senior Planner

Staff received this application for rezoning request in September 2020. Meetings with the owner/applicant and surveyor/engineer occurred on numerous occasions to discuss, among many topics: consideration for citizen comment from Public Input Meetings and Conditions for Approval.

This property is located in a residential area of the north central region of the county. While its location is primarily residential in nature, it is not far from the US 321 Business Highway corridor, with easy access to US 321 Highway. A four-way stop at the intersection of Ike Lynch Rd and Dallas High Shoals Hwy, provides for existing small commercial businesses within less than one mile from the project site.

If approved, staff would recommend that the Conditions For Approval be implemented, as presented or modified by the Board, to mitigate any impact on surrounding properties.

PLANNING BOARD RECOMMENDATION

Scheduled Meeting Date: January 11, 2021

Meeting Summary / Points of Discussion: Staff provided Board members with a history of the property, which included that an application for a general rezoning had been submitted in November, 2020. The applicant resubmits with a site plan and Conditions for Approval, addressing the following issues of concern:

+ Hours of operation, to begin no earlier than 6:00 am

+ A buffer to the adjacent property along the northern property line, to include a privacy fence (in addition to existing mature vegetation and six (6) foot berm, to exceed standards of the UDO)

The Board <u>voted to approve</u> the application, with a unanimous vote, based upon the following statement of consistency:

The proposed rezoning is in the Rural future land use plan. Rural areas allow for residential homes located on large lots with opportunities for agribusiness ventures. The use, going from (R-1) to (CD/C-1) will make the subject parcel commercial in nature, while allowing for residential uses, which is consistent with the Rural designation and is in harmony with other commercial uses within the immediate vicinity.

Attachments: Maps, MPO Comments

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С.	PROPERTY INFORMATION
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<u>(CD21-02) LUTZ</u>

CONDITIONS FOR APPROVAL

- 1. The applicant shall complete the development strictly in accordance with the plans submitted to and approved (and/or modified) by the Board of Commissioners.
- 2. If any of the conditions affixed hereto or any part thereof is held invalid or void, then this zoning district shall be void and no effect.
- 3. Development shall meet all local, state, and federal requirements.
- 4. The zoning is conditioned upon the conceptual site plan.
- 5. In accordance with Section 5.16.5(I) of the Unified Development Ordinance, the development and use of the property shall be governed by the predetermined ordinance requirements applicable to the district's zoning classification, the approved site plan for the district, and any additional approved rules, regulations, and conditions, all of which shall constitute the zoning regulations for the approved district and are binding on the property as an amendment to these regulations and to the Zoning Map. The Administrator may only make minor changes to the approved site plan administratively.
- 6. The hours of operation shall not begin prior to 6:00 am.
- 7. The parking area shall remain as shown on the conceptual site plan, unless such a time occurs that the business expands to include more than ten (10) employees, to which the parking area, aisles, driveways and surfaces must be brought to Unified Development Ordinance (UDO) regulations and standards.



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Memorandum

То:	Sarah Carpenter Penley, Senior Planner, Subdivision Administrator, Gaston					
	County Planning & Development Services					
From:	Julio Paredes, Planner, Gaston—Cleveland—Lincoln MPO					
Date:	November 17, 2020					
Subject:	359 Huffstetler Lake Rd (Dallas) CD21-02—GCLMPO Comments					

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comments on a proposed rezoning located within the Gaston-Cleveland-Lincoln Metropolitan Planning Organization (GCLMPO) planning area. My comments are based on review of the proposed site in accordance with the adopted Comprehensive Transportation Plan (CTP), the adopted 2045 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP), and the current State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP).

- 1. The proposed development is located at 359 Huffstetler Lake Rd, Dallas. On behalf of the GCLMPO, I offer the following comments:
 - A. Improvements to Ike Lynch Rd are included in the MPO's CTP. Improvements would include widening lane width to 12 feet and constructing paved shoulders. The existing right-of-way along Ike Lynch Rd. is sufficient for these future improvements. By establishing the region's future transportation needs, the CTP offers an organized way to identify, and eventually prioritize, the transportation projects that may be built in the communities within the GCLMPO area. CTP projects shown as "Needs Improvement" or "Recommended" could become a funded project in the future, part of a development project, or may never become a funded project.
 - B. According to the 2020-2029 STIP, there are no funded transportation improvement projects in the immediate vicinity of this site.
 - C. Please note that any site plan that requires a driveway permit on an NCDOT roadway, or is adjacent to NCDOT roadways, the developer should work with NCDOT on any required driveway permits or any TIA requirements.

If you have any questions regarding my comments, please do not hesitate to contact me at 704-866-6980 or juliop@cityofgastonia.com.











CD21-02 Subject and Adjacent Properties Map See reverse side for listing of property owners



CD21-02 Owner and Adjacent Property Listing

<u>NO:</u>	PARCEL	OWNER NAME	OWNER NAME 2	ADDRESS	<u>CITY</u>	<u>STATE</u>	<u>ZIP</u>
*	303483	LUTZ GERALD L	LUTZ SANDRA F	359 HUFFSTETLER LAKE RD	DALLAS	NC	28034
1	202668	BLACK RICKIE L SR		335 HUFFSTETLER LAKE RD	DALLAS	NC	28034
2	202669	WHITWORTH ROLAND ALVIN		343 HUFFSTETLER LAKE RD	DALLAS	NC	28034
3	165903	SMITH KAREN M		219 IKE LYNCH RD	DALLAS	NC	28034
4	165902	LINK REGGIR H		401 BELWOOD DR	BELMONT	NC	28012
5	165930	METCALF LINDA ROBINSON		5215 DALLAS HIGH SHOALS HWY	DALLAS	NC	28034
6	165909	HEINRICH JILL M	ROLLINS DENNIS G	320 HUFFSTETLER LAKE RD	DALLAS	NC	28034