

OLIVE STREET FARM PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT NEIGHBORHOOD MEETING WRITTEN SUMMARY

On January 31, 2017 a neighborhood meeting to discuss the Olive Street Farm PUD application was held at the Goode Centennial Methodist Church (corner of 64th Avenue and Olive Street, ½ block from the project location). A notice was mailed to 110 addresses within a 500 foot radius of the project on Tuesday, January 17. Fourteen people attended including the applicant, Laurel LaFramboise, and the City Planner, Robin Kerns. The following material was provided at the meeting:

1. A 12" x 30" banner showing a current aerial of the property and a proposed aerial as well as a current street view and a proposed street view; it was passed around during the meeting.
2. A 8 ½" x 11" Development Fact Sheet with one side in English and one side in Spanish (50 copies made, one distributed to each participant).
3. One copy of the most up-to-date version of the Concept Schematic (11" x 17") and written narrative (8 ½" x 11") was passed around during the meeting.

At 5:30 pm Laurel called the meeting to order, handed out the Development Fact Sheet and said she would begin a short presentation at 5:45 pm after participants ate snacks while reading the Fact Sheet. After the presentation (about 10 minutes), Robin briefly explained the PUD process and a question and answer session lasted until 6:30 pm.

All participants seemed in favor of the idea of building 3 houses at the street while using the back acre of property for an urban farm. Questions raised were:

1. With the closeness of Kemp elementary school (1 block) will the farm be secure from kids sneaking onto the property? Answer: the proposed farm worker house will sit very close to the farm buildings and the farm sits quite far from the street. There will be fencing along the street and around the farm.
2. Is there some way the houses at the street can have restrictions placed on them so they are similar in size and in architecture to the rest of the street? Answer: Robin thinks this language can be added to the PUD.
3. Will it be safe having children riding ponies in the streets? Answer: horses have been ridden in urban environments since mankind started living in them. The children will have plenty of riding practice on the farm and we will work with the Police Dept to design safe riding practices for streets. Most of the time they will ride just the one block to the Nature Preserve perimeter trail.
4. Will the greenhouses be used to teach kids about where their food comes from? Answer: at this time we have only thought as far as growing food for ourselves with one greenhouse and the barn planned in the near future. It's important to note that this zoning is permanent and future owners could have other plans including a completely commercial operation with no community services.
5. Will marijuana be grown there? Answer: no, it's not considered a normal agricultural activity by the City and there are many restrictions to its production.