Proposed City of Livonia Master Plan Amendments
MEMORANDUM

TO: MASTER PLAN & ZONING COMMITTEE
FROM: MARK SPENCER, AICP, PLANNER
SUBJECT: CITY OF LIVONIA PROPOSED MASTER PLAN AMENDMENTS
DATE: APRIL 13, 2009

Per the requirements of PA 33 of 2008, the Michigan Planning Enabling Act, the City of Livonia submitted a draft copy of its proposed Master Plan amendments for review and comment by the City of Novi. The proposed amendments include only one future land use designation change within 1.8 miles of the City of Novi. The proposed change is for 9.6 acres of land located in Section 6 and south ofEight Mile Road, east of Haggerty Road and west of I-275 freeway. The amendment proposes changing the future land use designation for the area from “Office” and “General Commercial” to “Nature Preserves or Recreation-Open Space.” The Planning Staff believes that the proposed change will have no negative impact upon the City of Novi since it is a less intense use of the property. Other proposed changes throughout the balance of the City are more than 1.8 miles from the City of Novi and should have little effect upon the City of Novi. A portion of the proposed Livonia Future Land Use map depicting this proposed change is attached to this memo.

The Planning Staff suggests that the Master Plan and Zoning Committee recommend that the Planning Commission authorize the Planning Commission Chairperson to send a letter to the City of Livonia stating the Planning Commission has no objection to the City’s proposed Master Plan future land use map changes and attaching this letter as the Planning Commission’s review of the proposed Master Plan.

If you have any questions on this review, please feel free to contact me.

c: Clay Pearson, City Manager
   Stephen T. Rumple, Director Community Development
   Barbara McBeth, AICP, Deputy Director Community Development
April 2, 2009

Planning Director
City of Novi
45175 West Ten Mile
Novi, MI 48375

Re: City of Livonia
Proposed Amendments to Future Land Use Map

To whom it may concern: Dear Barb:

The Livonia Planning Commission recently completed a number of draft amendments to the City of Livonia Future Land Use Map. On March 25, 2009, the Livonia City Council approved the distribution of the proposed amendments to the various entities as prescribed by State Law.

Pursuant to MCL 125.3841(2), you are receiving a copy of the proposed map amendments for review and comment. Please forward any comments that you may have regarding the proposed changes to either: 1) planning@ci.livonia.mi.us; or 2) Mr. Lee Morrow, Chairman, City of Livonia Planning Commission, 33000 Civic Center Drive, Livonia, MI 48154. Please respond no later than May 17, 2009.

For further information, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Sincerely,

Mark S. Taormina, AICP, PCP
Planning Director

Enclosures

File
cc: Mr. Lee Morrow
CITY OF LIVONIA

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE FUTURE LAND USE MAP

Prepared by the City of Livonia Planning Department
October 2008

Legend

Future Land Use

- Low Density Residential
  Density is 1 to 5 dwelling units per acre.
- Medium Density Residential
  Density is 6 to 14 dwelling units per acre.
- High Density Residential
  Density is 15 to 50 dwelling units per acre.
- Office
  Professional and business office services.
- General Commercial
  All retail businesses and commercial service establishments other than regional shopping centers.
- Regional Shopping
  Five mile service radius containing a wide compliment of goods and services.
- Industrial
  All manufacturing, assembly, processing, research, warehousing and all other special quasi-industrial services.
- Community Service
  Major public institutions such as libraries, museums, Civic Center, hospitals, cemeteries, and schools.
- Recreation-Open Space
  Land areas such as parks, golf courses, playgrounds and natural areas which are available to people in pursuit of leisure activity.
- Nature Preserves
  Preserved natural areas.
- Mixed Use
  Designed to provide opportunities for a variety of potential uses, including mixtures of retail, office, institutional and residential type development. This category may also act as a transition between low density residential and higher intensity developments.

From: Office & General Commercial
To: Nature Preserves or Recreation-Open Space

SITE DATA

Petition No: 8-01
Reference No: 6-01
Location: Northwest 1/4 of Section 6
Current FLU Designation: Office and General Commercial
Proposed FLU Designation: Nature Preserves or Recreation-Open Space
Current Zoning: PO, H
Rise Professional Office and C-2, General Business
Existing Land Use: Vacant (Wetland Preservation Area)
Approximate Land Area: 9.60 acres