



STAFF REPORT

CAMINO REAL (REZONING)

Summary

This is an application to rezone approximately fifteen (15) acres from Community Business District (B-2) to Planned Development District (PDD), generally located at the northeast corner of SW 160 Avenue and SW 14 Street (Indian Trace), excluding the gas station, billboard site and day care center, as shown on the location map. Concurrently, the applicant is proposing to construct a hotel on the existing vacant parcel located on the eastern portion of the subject site and in a future phase redevelop portions of the rest of the shopping center as a mixed-use development with residential, commercial and office uses.

The property is currently zoned B-2 (Community Business District) and designated Commercial on the City's Future Land Use Map. The proposed rezoning requires City Commission approval pursuant Subsection 16-38(e) of the Land Development Code (LDC). In addition, per Subsection 16-109(e) of the LDC, upon application for rezoning to a PDD district, the applicant shall provide a Development Agreement in compliance with Sections 163.3220 - 163.3243, Florida Statutes and a PDD Master Plan.

The applicant has concurrently applied for and is seeking approval of a PDD Master, a Development of Regional Impact (DRI) amendment since the site is located within the 84 South DRI, and a Development Agreement for the subject site. In addition, the applicant has applied for site plan approval for a hotel on the vacant land.

General Information

The subject site's original master plan and phase I site plan was approved on April 27, 1987 via Resolution No. 87-90 and subsequently approvals for other phased buildings were approved.

The site includes a commercial shopping center, known as Indian Trace Shopping Center, which includes retail, restaurant, a movie theater, a five (5) story office building, and vacant undeveloped land on the eastern section of the site. A billboard parcel is located within the proposed site for rezoning, however that portion is excluded from the rezoning request, as well as the existing gas station and day care center. Two vehicular access points exist from SW 160 Avenue.

Surrounding property uses include I-75 to the east, a hotel south across SW 14 Street within the Town of Davie, a gas station with a B-2 (Community Business District) zoning designation and a shopping center within the City of Weston across SW 160 Avenue on the west. To the north of the site is a day care center with a B-2 (Community Business District) zoning designation, a canal with a R-OS (Recreation-Open Space) zoning designation and a single family residential community with RS-3 (Low Density Single-Family Residential District).

Project Description

As per the City’s LDC Sec. 16-109, the proposed rezoning provides the opportunity for additional design types by allowing for greater flexibility, creativity, and innovation in land development than other conventional zoning districts. This rezoning request is being proposed in order to facilitate the development of the vacant land (also known as Parcel 1) into a hotel located on the eastern portion of the subject site, as well as redevelopment of portions of the remaining shopping center as a mixed-use development with residential use at a future date.

As per Sec. 16-109(d)(13)(a) for Planned Development District (PDD) Development Standards, a developer seeking to rezone land to a PDD district may submit with the rezoning application proposed supplemental regulations for the PDD, to be included in the development agreement. Such submittal shall identify each provision of the proposed supplemental regulations that is in conflict with the PDD development regulations as provided in subsection (d). If approved as part of the PDD rezoning, the supplemental regulations shall supersede existing LDC regulations. The applicant is proposing the following alternative standards:

Proposed Setback Deviations Table

City Code Section	Deviation Type	Requirement	Provided	Justification
16-78(g)	Building Setbacks	Parcel 1 East Property Line: Adjacent to I-75': Min. of 75'	Parcel 1 11'-6"	Due to the adjacency of I-75, the building setback has been reduced to minimize the impact on the adjacent parcels and due to odd parcel shape/format. Additionally, required mitigation trees are proposed within the FDOT I-75 ROW to be installed by FDOT with the future roadway improvements project. These trees shall be bonded with the city via a fee-in-lieu contribution until after the 1 yr guarantee period post-installation. The future trees in the FDOT ROW will provide additional screening

				of the proposed development. Furthermore, enhanced landscaping including shrubs and groundcovers above code and a continuous Hedgerow planted at 60" height and maintained at 6 ft are provided within the on-site 9.5-foot minimum landscape buffer strip.
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Proposed Parking & Loading Deviations Table

City Code Section	Deviation Type	Requirement	Provided	Justification
	Internal Sidewalks	Minimum of 5' wide	Minimum of 4' wide	Walkways within the parking areas are for internal purposes and therefore are proposed as 4' wide, not the 5' requested. These 4' walkways allow the safe passage through the parking areas within the site. The sidewalks at the accessible spaces and at the primary connections to the building will be 5' wide.
16-148 (d) (4)	Loading Zones for Parcel 1	Minimum of 2 required	1	Due to the nature of a hotel operation (limited deliveries/ laundry is performed in-house), the need to the second loading zone is not necessary.
16-142(b)(1)(a)	Standard Parking Space Size	10' x 20'	9' x 18'	The resulting parking areas due to the geometry of the property and the preferred building placement are best utilized using 9' x 18' standard parking spaces.

Proposed Open Space Deviations Table

City Code Section	Deviation Type	Requirement	Provided	Justification
16-109 (d) (8)	Open space	Minimum 15%	3.5%	Common open space has been provided in the form of public art located at the hotel entry, as well as the existing common open space within the shopping center. Additional open space will be provided in Phase 2 to reduce the deviation request.

Landscape Deviations

In order to provide the proposed landscaping in excess of current code requirements,

some of the site-specific landscape requirements shall be relocated from the code-required areas, to the various areas within the site. The code required quantity of trees shall be provided on-site but their location may not be in the code-required location. Therefore, the landscape design for the Project shall adhere to the provisions contained in Article VIII, Functional Landscaping of the City of Sunrise Code or Ordinances, except as set forth with the following deviations.

Proposed Landscape Deviations Table

City Code Section	Deviation Type	Requirement	Provided	Justification
Sec.16-169.(a)(1)a	Berm & Landscape Strip width	Combined 24" ht Min. Berm w/ 24" ht Shrub Line to 4 ft ht within Landscape Strip 20 ft width where abutting a trafficway (East @ I-75) <u>A bermed landscaped strip at least 20 foot width where abutting a trafficway (East @ I-75)</u>	For Parcel 1: -9.5 ft Min. landscape strip (at back of house service sidewalk) -No Berm -60" Ht. Hedge at install provided, to be maintained at 6 ft Ht	Due to the adjacency of I-75, odd parcel shape/format, and to minimize impacts to adjacent parcels To be Provided: -Enhanced landscaping including shrubs and ground covers above code are provided within the on-site 9.5 minimum landscape buffer strip. -Required Buffer trees provided including large maturing Shade Trees and meet intent of Code. Small trees are provided within the existing billboard view corridor & counted @ 2:1
<u>Sec.16-169.(a).1.c</u>	<u>Berm Height Requirements</u>	<u>Average height of the berm plus hedge or shrub line shall be at least (4) feet</u> <u>The berm must be a minimum of (24) inches in height</u>	<u>-No Berm</u> <u>-60 inch height.</u> <u>Hedge at install provided, to be maintained at 6 feet Height</u>	<u>To be Provided:</u> <u>-Enhanced landscaping including shrubs and ground covers above code are provided within the on-site 9.5 foot minimum landscape buffer strip.</u>
<u>Sec.16-169.(a).2</u>	<u>Tree specifications</u>	<u>A required landscape strip shall include (1) tree per each (25) lineal feet or fraction thereof.</u> <u>No branching shall be permitted below five (5) feet except when said branches overhang a</u>	<u>-Branching proposed at 3.5 to 4 feet for small trees except in areas that overhang into pedestrian paths and bike lanes.</u>	<u>To be Provided:</u> <u>-Required Buffer trees provided including large maturing Shade Trees and meet intent of Code. Small trees are provided within the existing billboard view corridor & counted @ 2:1</u>

		<u>pedestrian or bike path</u>		
Sec.16-169.(c)(2)	Grouping of Parking and landscape islands	No grouping of parking spaces shall exceed eight (8) in a row	Five (5) <u>Six (6)</u> groupings of parking to have nine (9) spaces in a row	This will help facilitate pedestrian circulation & accessibility to the principal structure
<u>Sec.16-169.(c).2.a</u>	<u>Landscape Islands and Medians</u>	<u>Landscape islands and medians required to be 8 feet wide not including curbing</u>	<u>Landscape islands and medians proposed at 8 feet wide, including curbing</u>	<u>Due to odd parcel shape/format, increasing the landscape island and median width would require reducing drive aisle width below minimum code requirements.</u>
Sec.16-169.(d).1	Pedestrian Zone Landscaping	In no case shall the required pedestrian zone have a foundation planting area less than eight (8) feet in width; nor shall more than five (5) feet of the width of the required pedestrian zone be paved except for necessary access perpendicular to building entries	For parcel 1: 10 FT Minimum Pedestrian Zone Landscaping (PZL), width to be provided with a planting area no less than 5 ft width. Required PZL may be relocated and the required planting areas reduced to no less than 2.5 ft width when recreational or other outdoor amenity spaces are proposed as part of the development South Façade: Min. 14.84 FT PZL w/ 9.84 FT Planting Area West Façade: Min. 10.5 FT PZL w/ 5.5 FT Planting Area, except Min. 2.5 FT Planting Area where PZL is relocated to South & West of pool terrace North Façade: 5 FT PLZ; 0 FT Planting Area, except Min. 4.45 FT Planting Area where PZL is relocated to North of pool terrace	Due to odd parcel shape/format, to provide site specific amenities incidental to the principal use (such as a pool for a hotel use, etc.), a reduced Pedestrian Zone Landscaping (PZL) width may be necessary in certain locations to accommodate required accessible routes

Sec.16-169.(d).3	Tree dimensions in Pedestrian Zone Landscape	Façade Ht.: 36 feet & greater Evergreen Tree Height: 18'-20' Ht., 9' spread Palm Ht.: 24-30 ft	Evergreen trees to be provided at 18' ht. Min. height, however where Slow Growing species are proposed, no less than 7 ft spread is specified	Reduced tree spreads provided in the PZL due to reduced PZL width and proximity to the multi-story structure.
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Staff Evaluation

The applicant has addressed the criteria established in Subsection 16-38(c) of the LDC for approval of the proposed rezoning as follows:

(1) That the request is consistent with the goals, objectives, policies, and intent of the City's Comprehensive Plan.

Applicant Response: The applicant states the proposed Rezoning application is consistent with the following goals, objectives and policies of the City Comprehensive Plan:

Future Land Use Element

Goal 2: Provide for a varied and diverse mix of commercial opportunities to serve the residents of the City of Sunrise and the South Florida Region.

Applicant Response: The proposed rezoning seeks to provide a diverse mix of uses that will target the needs of the surrounding neighborhoods. The purpose of seeking the PDD zoning designation is to enable the property owner to deliver a wide range and mix of uses that could not be achieved under the current zoning designation.

Policy 2.1.3: The City of Sunrise shall continue to encourage integration of mixed land uses by utilizing innovative environmental protection regulations and zoning techniques such as planned commercial/office development with residential, public schools and environmental areas where suitable.

Applicant Response: By seeking the PDD zoning designation, the property is able to provide commercial, office and hotel uses within close proximity to one another. The goal is to create opportunities for less vehicular traffic and more availability to walk or bike to nearby commercial uses for those that work or live in close proximity to the Property.

Policy 16.1.1: Encourage the use of mixed land use development regulations in those areas where compatible mixed land use patterns currently exist or are planned. Emphasis shall be placed on pedestrian safety, joint use of open space, and coordinating drainage filtration and retention systems.

Applicant Response: The proposed rezoning establishes subdivision and land development regulations that will facilitate a well-planned, orderly, and aesthetically compatible development within the City. The rezoning supports a mix of uses that will enable the effective revitalization of the site. As the Property is already developed, the essential capital improvements—including roadway, utility, and drainage infrastructure—are in place to support the proposed Project. In addition, the Project will enhance pedestrian connectivity by providing a new sidewalk linking the proposed hotel to the existing shopping center, along with improved open spaces and an interconnected drainage system.

Goal 9 - Provide opportunities to serve the current and future needs of the City of Sunrise population and economy.

Applicant Response: The proposed PDD rezoning will facilitate the redevelopment of an underutilized parcel and enhance the existing commercial uses within the adjacent shopping center by introducing a modern, high-quality hotel use that is compatible with the surrounding area. The Project will serve as a catalyst for reinvestment on the Property and support the continued growth and economic vitality of the surrounding community. By improving the existing commercial environment and incorporating a new hospitality use, the proposed development is consistent with the City's long-term planning objectives and will provide additional amenities and opportunities for both residents and visitors.

Goal 14 - Protect Potable Water Wellfields, Zones of Influence, Wetlands and Areas Impacted by Mining and Fracking.

Applicant Response: This site is not within a potable water wellfield and there are no existing wetlands on the site.

Goal 15 - To minimize off-site runoff, flooding and erosion.

Applicant Response: The site is already permitted by SFWMD as part of the 84 South master drainage permit from SFWMD. A permit modification was later permitted for the Indian Trace Center under permit 06-00243-S. The drainage system is only required by provide ½" of dry pretreatment prior to discharging to the canal to the north. Water quality and water quantity are already provided for this site within the master lake system.

- (2) That the request is consistent with the density, intensity and general uses set forth in the city's future land use map (FLUM).**

Applicant Response: The proposed rezoning is consistent with the underlying Commercial future land use designation, which allows commercial, office and hotel uses. Additionally, residential uses are permitted, without the need to amend the City of Sunrise Future Land Use Plan map, provided that the City of Sunrise applies Flexibility and Redevelopment Units to the parcel pursuant to Policies 2.10.1 and 2.35.1 of the Broward County Land Use Plan (BCLUP) and the “Administrative Rules Document” Article 3. If Flexibility and Redevelopment units are not allocated, a future land use amendment may be required.

(3) That the request meets the purpose and criteria set forth in the city's land development code for the zoning district into which the property is to be converted.

Applicant Response: Section 16-109(a) of the Land Development Code states the purpose and intent of the PDD district “. . . is to promote and regulate the planned development of large projects, by allowing greater freedom of design, by improving the opportunity for flexibility, creativity and innovation in land development, by limiting the expenditure of public funds, and by achieving the intent of land use regulations.” This section specifically lists the below criteria as the intent and purpose of the PDD district.

- Allow diversification of uses, structures, and open spaces when not in conflict with existing and permitted land uses on abutting properties.

Applicant Response: The application of the PDD zoning designation will facilitate a coordinated mix of hotel, commercial, and future residential uses that are compatible with the surrounding development context. The Property is primarily bordered by commercial uses and I-75, with residential neighborhoods situated to the north. The proposed mix of uses has been thoughtfully planned to ensure compatibility with adjacent land uses and to maintain consistency with the established character and functional intent of the area.

- Reduce improvement costs through a more efficient use of land and a smaller network of utilities and streets than is possible through the application of standards contained in conventional land development regulations.

Applicant Response: The Camino Real PDD will reduce improvement costs by creating a unified mixed-use development that relies on existing roadways and infrastructure. Applying the PDD zoning designation allows for a more efficient use of land and avoids the need for additional utility and roadway extensions that might otherwise be required under conventional zoning regulations.

- Conserve the natural amenities of land by encouraging the preservation of

environmentally significant, scenic or functional open space.

Applicant Response: There are no environmentally significant or scenic lands within the Camino Real PDD.

- Provide the maximum opportunity for the application of innovative site planning concepts to the creation of aesthetically pleasing environments for living, shopping, and working on properties of adequate size, shape and location.

Applicant Response: Per Section 16-109(d)(1), the minimum size for a PDD district is eight (8) acres. The Camino Real PDD is approximately 15 acres which exceeds this minimum and features a size and shape well suited to support a thoughtfully planned mix of hotel, commercial, office, and residential uses. Its location, along I-75, provides an ideal location to incorporate innovative site planning and design opportunities.

Phase 1 focuses on the development of a 174-room hotel, with site and building design that reflects an innovative approach to creating an aesthetically pleasing environment that supports both visitors and the surrounding community. The hotel parcel's design balances functionality with visual appeal, setting the tone for future development, and will include buildings of varying scales to create a neighborhood feel, while allowing for open areas that will serve as gathering spaces.

Phase 2 includes the existing Indian Trace Shopping Center, which provides ongoing commercial and office uses that will remain in place for the near future. Future plans for this phase will introduce residential, commercial, and office uses, further expanding the mixed-use character of the PDD.

- Ensure that development will occur according to the land use, site design, population density, building coverage, improvement standards, and construction phasing as authorized through the approval of a PDD master plan.

Applicant Response: All development within the Camino Real PDD will comply with all the standards listed within these guidelines and within the approved Camino Real PDD Master Plan.

- Provide the city commission a greater opportunity to enforce the goals, objectives and policies of the Comprehensive Plan on site-specific projects.

Applicant Response: Proposal is consistent with the Comprehensive Plan.

- Ensure that concurrent development of all uses will occur as the project is developed, so that the presumed synergy of the mixed uses will be achieved.

Applicant Response: The proposed development is planned in multiple phases to foster the synergy inherent in mixed-use projects. Phase 1, focused on the hotel, establishes a foundational use that supports and attracts activity to the site. Phase 2, which includes the existing Indian Trace Shopping Center with commercial and office uses, is anticipated to introduce additional residential, commercial, and office development over time. Additionally, future pedestrian connections and improvements with access to transit and pedestrian facilities on SW 160th Ave. will be provided in Phase 2. Within 12 months of receiving entitlement approvals for the Camino Real PDD, the Applicant will revise the PDD and Master Plan to allocate residential density, revise any applicable Phase 2 approvals.

- Provide for other limitations, restrictions and requirements as deemed necessary.

Applicant Response: All design requirements for the Camino Real PDD are listed in the Design Guidelines, which provide clear criteria for architecture, landscaping, lighting, signage, and other site elements. Uses within the PDD are limited to those outlined in the proposed Design Guidelines, which currently include hotel development in Phase 1 and a mix of commercial, office, and residential uses planned for Phase 2.

- To reduce the effects of natural disasters and to promote safer environments through strategic urban design.

Applicant Response: The building will be designed in compliance with the latest edition of the Florida Building Code, as required by the City of Sunrise Building Division which incorporates the necessary structural criteria for resistance to high-wind events. All exterior elements, including impact resistant windows and doors, roofing designed for uplift, and attachment of appurtenances (such as AC equipment) will have tested systems for compliance with all applicable codes and structural criteria. The buildings within the Master Plan will have undulating frontages and heights, assisting in the distribution of wind-loads.

Additionally, the finished floor of the hotel will be above the flood criteria for the geographic location, and the site drainage design will be designed to absorb the above-the-minimum rainfall. The site drainage is oriented to the middle of the site, minimizing the chance of any overflow onto adjacent properties and common areas.

- (4) That the request is compatible with existing and proposed uses in the general vicinity.

Applicant Response: The proposed Camino Real PDD demonstrates compatibility with the existing and proposed uses in the general vicinity. The Property is enveloped by a diverse array of commercial, office, and residential developments, including the adjacent Indian Trace Shopping Center, which currently hosts retail and office uses that will remain for Phase 1. The Phase 1 hotel use is strategically positioned to complement local commercial activity and addresses the demand for hospitality accommodations owing to its location near I-75. A future phase is planned to incorporate additional commercial, office, and residential components, aligning with the surrounding development and land use designations. The proposed variety of uses within the PDD are appropriate for the locality and aims to enrich the existing character of the neighborhood, particularly the residential community to the north, while fostering a vibrant and integrated community environment.

- (5) That the request will not place an undue burden on existing infrastructure and existing capacity for the property or its general vicinity or that the applicant will provide appropriate improvements to offset the impacts.

Applicant Response: A concurrency analysis demonstrating that the Project will not place an undue burden on existing infrastructure and existing capacity has been provided with this submittal. Additionally, on and off-site infrastructure has been analyzed for the existing development and Phase 1 impacts. Phase 2 impacts will be analyzed and addressed (as needed) at time of redevelopment.

- (6) That the request shall document any changed or changing conditions which make approval of the request appropriate.

Applicant Response: Several changing circumstances underscore the appropriateness of the proposed rezoning from B-2 to PDD. Firstly, this rezoning aims to invigorate the existing shopping center, transforming it into a more dynamic and contemporary mixed-use development that meets the current needs of residents while aligning the established upscale character of the City. Secondly, the introduction of a hotel on an underutilized vacant parcel will foster compatibility with the surrounding area, activate a strategic site along I-75, and facilitate the redevelopment of the Indian Trace Shopping Center. The original design of the shopping center in the 1980's was tailored to the needs of and be consistent with the character of the surrounding neighborhood. Over time, the needs and character of the local community; however these aspects have evolved over time. This rezoning would enable the shopping center's redeveloped into a vibrant,

mixed-use space that better reflects the contemporary character of the neighborhood. Lastly, the proposed rezoning aligns with the City's commitment to upholding high development standards and enhancing the quality of its neighborhoods.

Staff Recommendation

Staff recommends approval of the proposed rezoning from Community Business District (B-2) to Planned Development District (PDD) subject to the following conditions as listed below:

1. The applicant shall provide an executed and unified control document prior to the first building permit for vertical construction as approved by the City Attorney's Office.
2. City Commission approval of the associated Master Plan (MP-000303-2025).
3. City Commission approval of the associated Development Agreement (DEVAG-000209-2025).

Planning and Zoning Board Recommendation, December 4, 2025

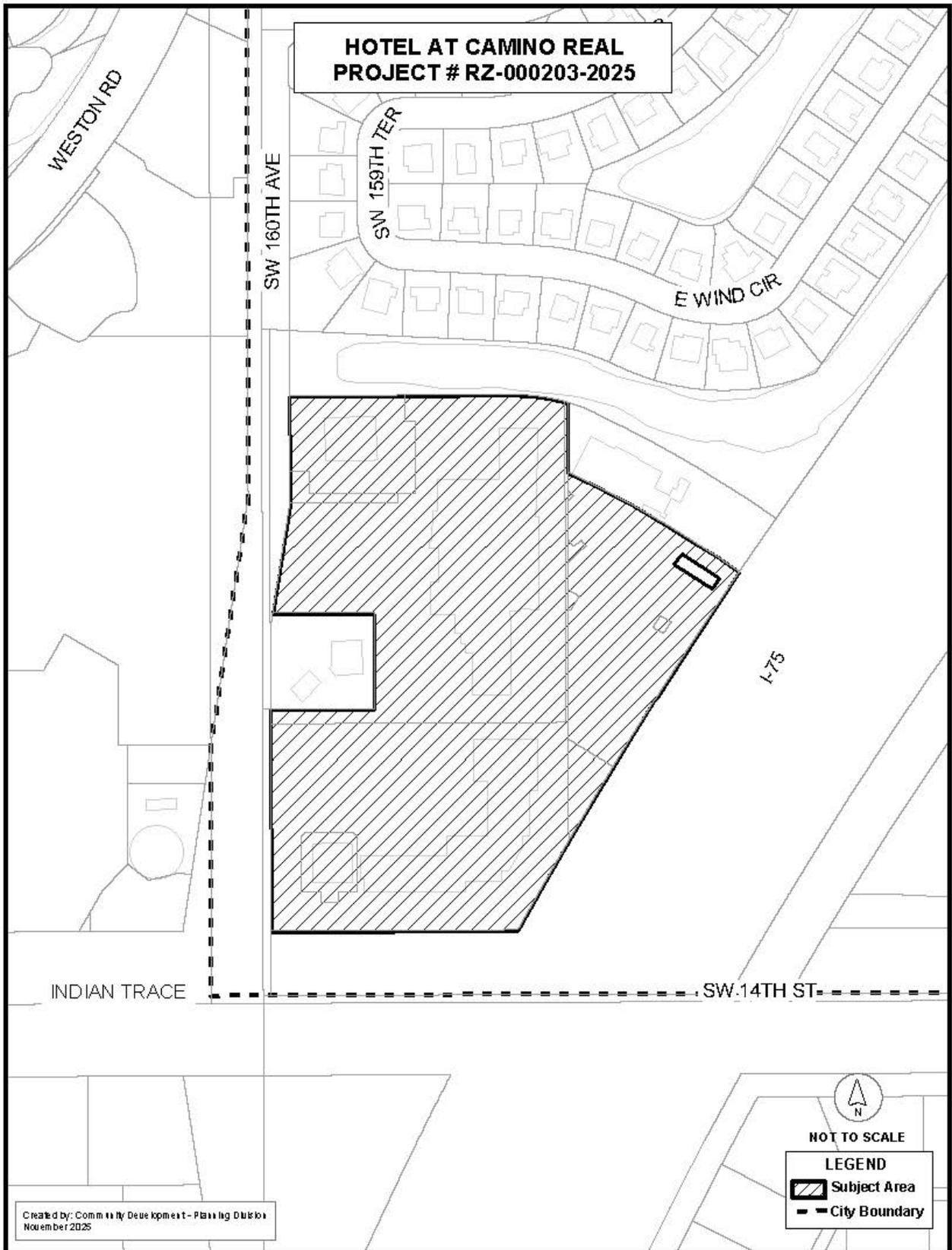
At its meeting on December 4, 2025, the Board approved Staff's recommendation subject to the conditions listed above.

Final Staff Recommendation to the City Commission, January 13, 2026

The staff report, specifically the Project Description Section in the Proposed Landscape Deviations Table has been updated as shown in strikethrough and underline to account for additional information provided. The referenced changes are not substantial. Staff recommends the approval of this application subject to the conditions listed above.

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Location Map



Location Map with Existing Zoning Districts

