



STATE OF DELAWARE
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF STATE PLANNING COORDINATION

April 20, 2018

Mr. Todd Sammons
P.O. Box 703
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RE: PLUS review 2018-03-05, SS Investments

Dear Todd,

Thank you for meeting with State agency planners on March 28, 2018 to discuss the SS Investments project. According to the information received, you are seeking a review of a 3 unit subdivision on 1.6 acres along Front Street in the Town of Wyoming.

Please note that changes to the plan, other than those suggested in this letter, could result in additional comments from the State. Additionally, these comments reflect only issues that are the responsibility of the agencies represented at the meeting. **The developers will also need to comply with any Federal, State and local regulations regarding this property. We also note that as the Town of Wyoming is the governing authority over this land, the developers will need to comply with any and all regulations/restrictions set forth by the Town and Kent County.**

Strategies for State Policies and Spending

- This project is located in Investment Level 1 according to the *Strategies for State Policies and Spending*. Investment Level 1 reflects areas that are already developed in an urban or suburban fashion, where infrastructure is existing or readily available, and where future redevelopment or infill projects are expected and encouraged by State policy. Thus, the Office of State Planning Coordination has no objections to this subdivision.

Code Requirements/Agency Permitting Requirements

Department of Transportation – Contact Bill Brockenbrough 760-2109

- The site access on Front Street (Kent Road 193) must be designed in accordance with DelDOT's Development Coordination Manual. A copy of the Manual is available at <https://www.deldot.gov/Business/subdivisions/index.shtml?dc=changes>.

- Section P.5 of the DelDOT Development Coordination Manual, available at <https://www.deldot.gov/Business/subdivisions/index.shtml?dc=changes>, addresses fees that are assessed for the review of development proposals. If the Town of Wyoming requires a Letter of No Objection to Recordation (LONOR) DelDOT will require payment of the Initial Stage Fee when the record plan is submitted for review. Regardless of whether the Town requires a LONOR, the applicant will be required to submit plans and obtain a DelDOT entrance plan approval and entrance permit for the site access on Front Street.
- This project is located within the regulated airspace zones of Jenkins Airport (15N), which is a public-use facility. Federal Aviation Regulation (FAR) Part 77 imposes height restrictions on any structures within these zones. DelDOT requires that the applicant for this project submit a “Proposed Construction/Alteration in Airport Zones Notification Form” in accordance with Delaware Code (2 Del. C. § 602).
- This notification form can be submitted during the plan approval process with the local land use jurisdiction, but DelDOT’s Office of Aeronautics is willing to test hypothetical height numbers to prevent any future project complications. Please contact Mr. Nate Attard with the Office of Aeronautics at Nathan.Attard@state.de.us or (302) 760-2174 with any questions or concerns. A copy of the notification form can be found at https://www.deldot.gov/Programs/aviation_svcs/pdfs/aviation_obstruction_review_form.pdf?012913.

Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control – Contact Michael Tholstrup 735-3352

The Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control did not submit comments regarding this application. If the development of this property requires permits from a DNREC section, please contact the DNREC regulatory agency directly.

State Historic Preservation Office – Contact Carlton Hall 736-7404

- There are no known archaeological sites, or known National-registered listed or eligible properties on the parcel, however there is a dwelling (K05523) in the project area. The dwelling was moved there from Leipsic in the 1960s.
- If any project or development proceeds, the developer should be aware of the Unmarked Human Burials and Human Skeletal Remains Law. Prior to any demolition or ground-disturbing activities, the developer should hire an archaeological consultant, to examine the parcel for archaeological resources, including Unmarked Human Burials or Human Skeletal Remains, to avoid those sites or areas.
- Abandoned or unmarked family cemeteries are very common in the State of Delaware. They are usually in rural or open space areas, within or near the boundary, of a historic farm site. Even a marked cemetery can frequently have unmarked graves or burials

outside of the known boundary line or limit. Disturbing unmarked graves or burials triggers the Delaware's Unmarked Human Burials and Human Skeletal Remains Law (Del. C. Title 7, Ch. 54), and such remains or discoveries can result in substantial delays while the procedures required under this law are carried out. If there is a discovery of any unmarked graves, burials or a cemetery, it is very costly to have them archaeologically excavated and the burials moved. The Division of Historical & Cultural Affairs recommends that owners and/or developers have a qualified archaeological consultant investigate their project area, to the full extent, to see if there is any unmarked cemetery, graves, or burial sites. In the event of such a discovery, the Division of Historical & Cultural Affairs also recommends that the plans be re-drawn to leave the full extent of the cemeteries or any burials on its own parcel or in the open space area of the development, with the responsibility for its maintenance lying with the landowner association or development. If you would like to see more information, please review the following websites: www.history.delaware.gov/preservation/umhr.shtml and www.history.delaware.gov/preservation/cemeteries.shtml.

- If there is federal involvement, in the form of licenses, permits, or funds, the federal agency, often through its client, is responsible for complying with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (36 CFR 800) and must consider their project's effects on any known or potential cultural or historic resources. Owners and developers who may plan to apply for an Army Corps of Engineers permit or for federal funding, such as HUD or USDA grants, should be aware of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (as amended). Regulations promulgated for Section 106 of this Act stipulate that no ground-disturbing or demolition activities should take place before the Corps or other involved federal agency determines the area of potential effect of the project undertaking. These stipulations are in place to allow for comment from the public, the Delaware State Historic Preservation Office, and the Advisory Council for Historic Preservation about the project's effects on historic properties. Furthermore, any preconstruction activities without adherence to these stipulations may jeopardize the issuance of any permit or funds. If you need further information or additional details pertaining to the Section 106 process and the Advisory Council's role; please review the Advisory Council's website at the following: www.achp.gov

Delaware State Fire Marshall's Office – Contact Duane Fox 259-7037

At the time of formal submittal, the applicant shall provide; completed application, fee, and three sets of plans depicting the following in accordance with the Delaware State Fire Prevention Regulation:

Fire Protection Water Requirements

- Where a water distribution system is proposed for single family dwellings it shall be capable of delivering at least 500 gpm for 1-hour duration, at 20-psi residual pressure. Fire hydrants with 1000 feet spacing on centers are required.
- The infrastructure for fire protection water shall be provided, including the size of water mains.

Accessibility

- Fire department access shall be provided in such a manner so that fire apparatus will be able to locate within 100 ft. of the front door.
- Any dead end road more than 300 feet in length shall be provided with a turn-around or cul-de-sac arranged such that fire apparatus will be able to turn around by making not more than one backing maneuver. The minimum paved radius of the cul-de-sac shall be 38 feet. The dimensions of the cul-de-sac or turn-around shall be shown on the final plans. Also, please be advised that parking is prohibited in the cul-de-sac or turn around.
- The use of speed bumps or other methods of traffic speed reduction must be in accordance with Department of Transportation requirements.
- The local Fire Chief, prior to any submission to our Agency, shall approve in writing the use of gates that limit fire department access into and out of the development or property.

Required Notes

- Provide a note on the final plans submitted for review to read “ All fire lanes, fire hydrants, and fire department connections shall be marked in accordance with the Delaware State Fire Prevention Regulations”
- Name of Water Supplier
- Proposed Use
- National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) Construction Type
- Townhouse 2-hr separation wall details shall be shown on site plans
- Maximum Height of Buildings (including number of stories)
- Provide Road Names, even for County Roads

Recommendations/Additional Information

This section includes a list of site specific suggestions that are intended to enhance the project. These suggestions have been generated by the State Agencies based on their expertise and subject area knowledge. **These suggestions do not represent State code requirements.** They are offered here in order to provide proactive ideas to help the applicant enhance the site design, and it is hoped (**but in no way required**) that the applicant will open a dialogue with the relevant agencies to discuss how these suggestions can benefit the project.

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- Please be advised that as of August 1, 2015, all new plan submittals and re-submittals, including major, minor and commercial plans, shall now be uploaded via the PDCA (Planning Development Coordination Application) with any review fee paid online via credit card or electronic check. Guidance on how to do this is available on our website at <http://www.deldot.gov/Business/subdivisions/index.shtml>.
- Please be advised that the Standard General Notes have been updated and posted to the DelDOT website. Please begin using the new versions and look for the revision date of

October 11, 2017. The notes can be found at
<http://www.deldot.gov/Business/subdivisions/index.shtml>.

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- Preliminary meetings with fire protection specialists are encouraged prior to formal submittal. Please call for appointment. Applications and brochures can be downloaded from our website: www.statefiremarshal.delaware.gov, technical services link, plan review, applications or brochures.]
- Although not a requirement of the State Fire Prevention Regulations, the Office of the State Fire Marshal encourages home builders to consider the benefits of home sprinkler protection in dwellings. The Office of the State Fire Marshal also reminds home builders that they are obligated to comply with requirements of Subchapter III of Chapter 36 of Title 6 of the Delaware Code which can be found at the following website:
<http://delcode.delaware.gov/title6/c036/sc03/index.shtml>

Following receipt of this letter and upon filing of an application with the local jurisdiction, the applicant shall provide to the local jurisdiction and the Office of State Planning Coordination a written response to comments received as a result of the pre-application process, noting whether comments were incorporated into the project design or not and the reason therefore.

Thank you for the opportunity to review this project. If you have any questions, please contact me at 302-739-3090.

Sincerely,



Constance C. Holland, AICP
Director, Office of State Planning Coordination

CC: Kent County
Town of Wyoming