

# CASE SUMMARY

## APPLICATION TYPE: REZONING

KNOXVILLE-KNOX COUNTY

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**File Number:** 6-B-13-RZ                      **Related File Number:**  
**Application Filed:** 4/26/2013              **Date of Revision:**  
**Applicant:** ALVIN AUSTIN

### PROPERTY INFORMATION

**General Location:** Southwest side Zion Ln., northwest of Ball Rd.  
**Other Parcel Info.:**  
**Tax ID Number:** 91 043                      **Jurisdiction:** County  
**Size of Tract:** 1.8 acres  
**Accessibility:** Access is via Zion Ln., a local street with 17' of pavement width within 50' of right-of-way.

### GENERAL LAND USE INFORMATION

**Existing Land Use:** Two dwellings  
**Surrounding Land Use:**  
**Proposed Use:** Subdivide property                      **Density:**  
**Sector Plan:** Northwest County              **Sector Plan Designation:** Low Density Residential  
**Growth Policy Plan:** Planned Growth Area  
**Neighborhood Context:** This area is primarily developed with rural to low density residential uses under A, RA, RB and PR zoning.

### ADDRESS/RIGHT-OF-WAY INFORMATION (where applicable)

**Street:** 3419 Zion Ln  
**Location:**  
**Proposed Street Name:**  
**Department-Utility Report:**  
**Reason:**

### ZONING INFORMATION (where applicable)

**Current Zoning:** A (Agricultural)  
**Former Zoning:**  
**Requested Zoning:** RA (Low Density Residential)  
**Previous Requests:** None noted  
**Extension of Zone:** Not an extension of RA, but there is RB zoning to the north and west.  
**History of Zoning:** None noted

### PLAN INFORMATION (where applicable)

**Current Plan Category:**  
**Requested Plan Category:**

## ***SUBDIVISION INFORMATION (where applicable)***

Subdivision Name:

No. of Lots Proposed:

No. of Lots Approved: 0

Variances Requested:

S/D Name Change:

## ***OTHER INFORMATION (where applicable)***

Other Bus./Ord. Amend.:

## ***MPC ACTION AND DISPOSITION***

Planner In Charge:

Michael Brusseau

Staff Recomm. (Abbr.):

RECOMMEND that County Commission APPROVE RA (Low Density Residential) zoning.

Staff Recomm. (Full):

RA zoning is consistent with the sector plan designation and will allow uses compatible with the surrounding land uses and zoning pattern. There are three other RA-zoned tracts along Zion Ln., as well as a PR-zoned subdivision to the south across Ball Rd.

Comments:

REZONING REQUIREMENTS FROM ZONING ORDINANCES (must meet all of these):

THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT SHALL BE NECESSARY BECAUSE OF SUBSTANTIALLY CHANGED OR CHANGING CONDITIONS IN THE AREA AND DISTRICTS AFFECTED, OR IN THE CITY/COUNTY GENERALLY:

1. RA zoning is compatible with the scale and intensity of the surrounding development and zoning pattern in the area.
2. The proposed RA zoning is consistent with the Northwest County Sector Plan proposal for the site.
3. Three tracts of RA zoning are already in place to the southeast along Zion Ln.

THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT SHALL BE CONSISTENT WITH THE INTENT AND PURPOSE OF THE APPLICABLE ZONING ORDINANCE:

1. RA zoning provides for residential areas with low population densities. These areas are intended to be defined and protected from encroachment of uses not performing a function necessary to the residential environment.
2. Based on the above description, this site is appropriate for RA zoning.
3. If connected to sewer, the RA zone allows detached residential development with a minimum lot size of 10,000 sq. ft. Without sewer, the minimum lot size is 20,000 sq. ft., subject to approval by Knox County Health Department.

THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT SHALL NOT ADVERSELY AFFECT ANY OTHER PART OF THE COUNTY, NOR SHALL ANY DIRECT OR INDIRECT ADVERSE EFFECTS RESULT FROM SUCH AMENDMENT:

1. The applicant intends to establish an additional residence at this site. The site is not large enough to be subdivided under the current A zoning, which requires a minimum lot size of one acre. RA zoning will allow this 1.8 acre site to be split into two or more lots.
2. The impact to the street system will be minimal. If a plat is submitted to subdivide the property, a right-of-way dedication may be required. In this section of Zion Ln., this dedication will be 25 feet from the right-of-way centerline.
3. The proposed zoning is compatible with surrounding development, and there should be minimal impact to the surrounding area and no adverse affect to any other part of the County.
4. Public water and sewer utilities are available in the area, but may need to be extended to serve the site.
5. No other area of the County will be impacted by this rezoning request.

THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT SHALL BE CONSISTENT WITH AND NOT IN CONFLICT WITH THE GENERAL PLAN OF KNOXVILLE AND KNOX COUNTY, INCLUDING ANY OF ITS ELEMENTS, MAJOR ROAD PLAN, LAND USE PLAN, COMMUNITY FACILITIES PLAN, AND OTHERS:

1. The Northwest County Sector Plan proposes low density residential use for the site, consistent with the requested RA zoning.
2. The site is located within the Planned Growth Area on the Knoxville-Knox County-Farragut Growth Policy Plan map.
3. Approval of this request may lead to future requests for RA zoning on surrounding properties zoned Agricultural, which is consistent with the sector plan proposal for low density residential uses in the area.
4. The proposal does not present any apparent conflicts with any other adopted plans.

**Action:** Approved

**Meeting Date:** 6/13/2013

**Details of Action:**

**Summary of Action:** RECOMMEND the Knox County Commission APPROVE RA (Low Density Residential) zoning.

**Date of Approval:** 6/13/2013

**Date of Denial:**

**Postponements:**

**Date of Withdrawal:**

**Withdrawn prior to publication?:**  **Action Appealed?:**

### ***LEGISLATIVE ACTION AND DISPOSITION***

**Legislative Body:** Knox County Commission

**Date of Legislative Action:** 7/22/2013

**Date of Legislative Action, Second Reading:**

**Ordinance Number:**

**Other Ordinance Number References:**

**Disposition of Case:** Approved

**Disposition of Case, Second Reading:**

**If "Other":**

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**Amendments:**

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**Date of Legislative Appeal:**

**Effective Date of Ordinance:**

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