

CASE SUMMARY

APPLICATION TYPE: PLAN AMENDMENT

GOVERNOR JOHN SEVIER SCENIC HIGHWAY CORRIDOR STUDY



File Number: 9-A-19-CP Related File Number:
Application Filed: 8/28/2019 Date of Revision:
Applicant: KNOXVILLE-KNOX COUNTY PLANNING

PROPERTY INFORMATION

General Location: Governor John Sevier Highway Corridor - South County Sector and East County Sector
Other Parcel Info.:
Tax ID Number: 9999 9999 Jurisdiction: City and County
Size of Tract:
Accessibility:

GENERAL LAND USE INFORMATION

Existing Land Use:
Surrounding Land Use:
Proposed Use: Density:
Sector Plan: Sector Plan Designation:
Growth Policy Plan:
Neighborhood Context:

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

Street:
Location:
Proposed Street Name:
Department-Utility Report:
Reason:

ZONING INFORMATION (where applicable)

Current Zoning:
Former Zoning:
Requested Zoning:
Previous Requests:
Extension of Zone:
History of Zoning:

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.:

PLANNING COMMISSION ACTION AND DISPOSITION

Planner In Charge:

Liz Albertson

Staff Recomm. (Abbr.):

APPROVE the John Sevier Scenic Highway Corridor Study amending the Knoxville-Knox County General Plan 2033, the South County, and the East County Sector Plan.

Staff Recomm. (Full):

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Comments:

Beginning in July of 2018, the John Sevier Scenic Highway Stakeholder Committee began meeting to discuss concerns regarding the Governor John Sevier Highway (State Route 168). The committee met six times and engaged the greater community through two large public meetings. The purpose of the meetings was to identify recommendations to manage development along Governor John Sevier Highway in a way that respects the historic and scenic qualities of the corridor and benefits all citizens of Knox County. Community comments and the work of the stakeholder committee helped prioritize recommendations to protect the corridor. The completed John Sevier Scenic Highway Study amends the East County Sector Plan, the South County Sector Plan and the General Plan. The community meetings engaged approximately 155 people and identified three prioritized recommendations for implementation.

Summarized below are the three recommendations:

1. Request that the Tennessee Department of Transportation (TDOT) conduct a Road Safety Audit.
A. Discussions between Knox County Engineering and TDOT have already begun regarding a limited safety study in the vicinity of W. Governor John Sevier Highway (SR 168) and Maryville Pike (SR 88). However, TDOT noted that this section of the corridor did not qualify for funds from the Highway Safety Improvement Program. Other sections of the corridor will continue to be investigated for possible study.
2. Draft a John Sevier Scenic Highway Corridor Overlay Zone
A. Additional community engagement and stakeholder committee meetings will be needed to draft proposed standards for a corridor overlay.
3. Scenic Highway Beautification Project(s)
A. Volunteer driven beautification projects in the corridor will need to be spearheaded by existing community groups, property owners, businesses, and churches along the corridor to address existing conditions. Because the highway is controlled by TDOT, Knox County will need to act as a liaison between the state agency and local groups to ensure safety and maintenance of the beautification projects.

Action:

Approved

Meeting Date: 9/12/2019

Details of Action:

Summary of Action:

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Date of Approval:

9/12/2019

Date of Denial:

Postponements:

Date of Withdrawal:

Withdrawn prior to publication?: Action Appealed?:

LEGISLATIVE ACTION AND DISPOSITION

Legislative Body:

Knoxville City Council

Date of Legislative Action: 10/8/2019

Date of Legislative Action, Second Reading: 10/22/2019

Ordinance Number:

Other Ordinance Number References: O-139-2019

Disposition of Case: Approved

If "Other":

Amendments:

Date of Legislative Appeal:

Disposition of Case, Second Reading: Approved

If "Other":

Amendments:

Effective Date of Ordinance: