

# Rezoning Report - Case WGRZ-24-02

Report by: Joe Walter
Date: July 22, 2024

**Hearing** Date

Walnut Grove Planning Commission: July 23, 2024

Walnut Grove City Council: July 25, 2024/August 8, 2024

#### **General Information**

Applicant: A&S Walton Investment Group, LLC
Owner: A&S Walton Investment Group, LLC

Size: 32.81 acres
Location: Hwy. 138

Tax Parcels WG010267 &WG0010268

Existing Zoning: AG/C-2
Proposed Zoning: C-2

Proposed Use: Retail Uses

## **Surrounding Land Uses & Zoning Districts**

To the East: Undeveloped (AG zoning)

To the West: Mixture of Uses (AG/C-1 zoning)

To the North: Undeveloped property (AG zoning)

To the South: Commercial Uses (C-2 zoning)

#### **Applicant's Intent**

The applicant desires to rezone the 32.81 acre property into off Hwy. 138 to C-2 for the existing Anderson Grading Company facility and to relocate Mike's Tire Depot from their current location at the Hwy 138/81 intersection (which will be demolished with the roundabout construction).

## **Analysis of Rezoning Request**

**Existing Use/Future Use** - The subject property is developed for Anderson Grading on parcel WG010267 and parcel WG010268 is currently undeveloped. The future land uses do not show up on the most recent Comprehensive Plan Update for Walnut Grove, but are shown in the "Conservation" character area for Walton County.

**Utilities/Stormwater** – Walton County water runs along Hwy. 138. Sanitary sewer is available on the south side of Hwy 138 and appears to outside of the 500 LF requirement of the Land Development Ordinance for connection to the City's system.

**Buffers** – The site plan submitted shows a 50' transitional buffers as required by the Zoning Ordinance.

**Overlay Districts** - The property is located in the WP-1 Cornish Creek Watershed Protection District, Section 911.C of the Zoning Ordinance, which imposes increased stream buffers and building setbacks (100' stream greenway, 150' stream setback from the banks of all perineal streams) if such streams are present on the property.

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## **Impacts**

See Impact Analysis Review (attached)

#### Conclusion

This area of the City is undergoing a transformation with the continuing development of the Enclave commercial tracts across Hwy 138 and the proposed mixed use developments in the Town Center area. The request includes an existing commercial use (Anderson Grading and Pipeline) and a proposed tire store (relocation of Mike's Tire Depot from the Hwy 81/138 intersection). With some conditions to improve the aesthetics of the building and the site, the use would be compatible with other commercial uses in the area. The new commercial driveway entrance and deceleration lane would better support the increase in vehicular traffic with the retail commercial use. The staff would support the rezoning of the property to C-2 if the following conditions were imposed on the property

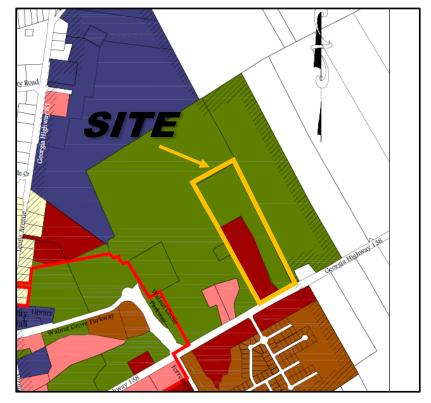
# **Proposed Conditions - C-2:**

- 1. Development:
  - a. The site shall be developed in general conformance to the site plan submitted with the rezoning request.
  - b. No development activities will be permitted until all approvals from the City of Walnut Grove have been obtained.
- 2. Buffers/Landscaping:
  - a. Provide a 50 foot undisturbed buffer adjacent to the AG-zoned properties.
  - b. Tree replacement and plantings shall follow the guidelines in the Land Development Ordinance.
- 3. Architectural/Lighting/Decorative Elements:
  - a. Mayor and Council to approve the proposed exterior architectural designs for all proposed uses prior to any building permits being issued.
  - b. All lighting shall be cut off type luminaries and designed to not shine on adjacent residential properties.

# **Aerial View of the Site**



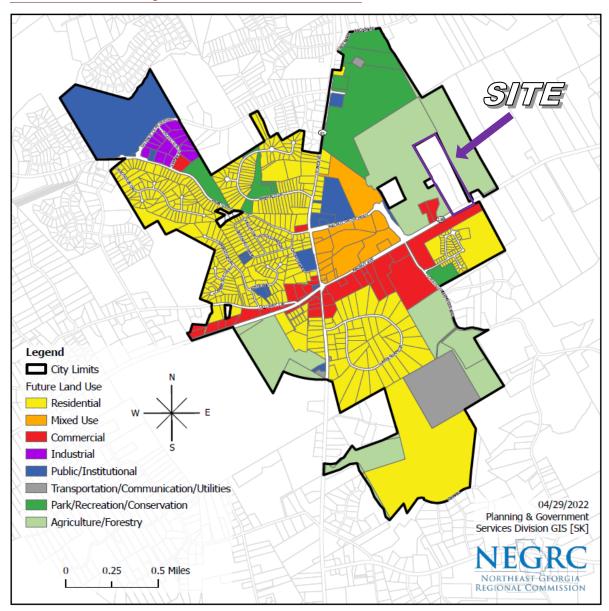
**Walnut Grove Zoning Map** 





# **Exceptt from the Walton County Comprehensive Plan**

# **Future Land Use Map**



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#### **Impact Analysis**

According to <u>Section 1608</u> of the <u>Zoning Ordinance</u>, the Mayor and Council are to consider sixteen standards governing the exercise of the City's zoning power in balancing the interest of the public health, safety, morality or general welfare against the unrestricted use of property. We have reviewed the Section 1608 standards and the application and have presented our findings on the sixteen standards:

## 1. The existing land use pattern;

The existing land use pattern is a mixture of residential and commercial uses along Hwy. 138. The Enclave PUD development is across Hwy 138 from the subject property.

2. The possible creation of an isolated district unrelated to adjacent and nearby districts;

One parcel of the rezoning request was previously zoned for commercial uses in Walton County prior to the annexation. There are also low density commercial uses along Hwy 138 on both sides of the roadway.

3. The population density pattern and possible increase or over-taxing of the load on public facilities including, but not limited to, school, utilities, and streets;

Public water is available along Hwy. 81. Public sewer is available off site to the south, although it may be outside of the minimum connection distance requirement. The applicant recently improved the driveway that serves the property to a commercial driveway with a deceleration lane.

 The costs to the City and other governmental entities in providing, improving, increasing or maintaining public utilities, schools, streets, law enforcement, fire protection and other public services;

The City would have to provide public works services and sanitation to the development. Walton County provides schools, fire protection and water service. Sanitary sewer service is available across Hwy 138, but may be outside the minimum connection distance required by the Land Development Ordinance.

5. The possible impact on the environment, including, but not limited to drainage, soil erosion and sedimentation, flooding, air quality and water quality;

Impacts on drainage, soil erosion and sedimentation would be mitigated by the construction practices required by the City's *Land Development Ordinance*. Note that the property lies within the Cornish Creek Watershed Protection Overlay District WP-1, which requires more extensive greenways and setbacks from streams. A portion of the property in the northeast corner lies within a flood prone area, but no development is proposed in this location at the present time.

6. Whether the proposed zoning amendment will allow uses which will be a detriment to the value of adjacent property in accordance with existing regulations;

The area along Hwy 138 is currently a mix of commercial and residential uses. The Anderson Grading and Pipeline use is at the rear of the property and has been in use for years. The proposed tire shop will be closer to the highway and will be approximately 300 feet away from the adjoining residence to the north.

7. Whether there are substantial reasons why the property cannot be used and developed in accordance with the existing regulations;

The AG-zoned property could continue to be used or developed for another use allowed in the AG district.

8. The aesthetic effect of the existing and proposed use of the property as it relates to the surrounding area;

The proposed C-2 use would need to be conditioned with regard to landscaping, lighting restrictions, hours of service, etc. to mitigate potential impact on adjacent properties.

9. The extent to which the proposed zoning amendment is consistent with the comprehensive land use plan;

The properties appear to fall into a gap in between the future land use maps for Walnut Grove and for Walton County. The future land use in the Walton County plan shows these two parcels to be in the "Conservation" character area; however, the character area doesn't take in to account that one of the parcels was already zoned commercial in the County.

10. The possible effects of the proposed zoning amendment on the character of the zoning district, a particular piece of property, neighborhood, a particular area or the community as a whole;

Any C-2 uses would need to include conditions regarding landscaping, lighting restrictions, hours of service, etc. to mitigate potential impact on adjacent properties.

11. The relationship that the proposed zoning amendment bears to the purpose of the overall zoning scheme, with due consideration given to whether the proposed zoning will carry out the purposes of these regulations;

The approval of the zoning amendment would provide a location for a long time local business to continue to operate within the City.

12. Any application for a zoning map amendment which does not contain a specific site plan carries a rebuttable presumption that such rezoning shall adversely affect the zoning scheme;

The applicant has submitted site plans with proposed uses and setbacks, buffers, parking, access and other information to assist in understanding the proposed development.

13. The consideration of the preservation of the integrity of residential neighborhoods shall be considered to carry great weight;

The parcels are located adjacent to Hwy 138 and across from the Enclave PUD commercial tracts. The Enclave PUD residential neighborhood is south of the commercial tracts, so there should be only negligible impacts from the proposed development, if approved.

14. In instances when property fronts on a major thoroughfare and also adjoins an established residential neighborhood, the factor of preservation of the neighborhood shall be considered to carry great weight;

The property does not adjoin any established residential neighborhoods.

15. Whether the property affected by the decision has a reasonable economic use as currently zoned; and

The AG-zoned tract could be used for any uses allowed under by the AG district; however, given the changing nature of Hwy 138 and the Enclave PUD commercial uses across the road would indicate that AG uses on this property would not be feasible in the future.

| 16. | Whether other conditions exist that affect use and development of the property in question and |
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|     | support approval or denial.  |

The 11.76 acre tract, parcel#WG010267, was previously zoned commercial in Walton County prior to its annexation in to the City.

# Request for Rezoning

Request to Rezone two parcels to C2 following annexation into the City for existing construction company operations and a new retail tire store

# Properties:

4099 Highway 138, Walnut Grove, Georgia

Parcel A: 11.76 acres (commercial prior to annexation)

Parcel B: 21.05 acres (AG prior to annexation)

Prepared for: A & S Walton Investment Group, LLC
Prepared by:
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300 E Church Street
Monroe, Georgia 30655
(678) 364-2384

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| 1. | Letter of Intent |
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June 14, 2024

City Clerk City of Walnut Grove, GA 2581 Leone Avenue Loganville, Georgia 30052

Re: Applicant and Owner: A&S Walton Investment Group, LLC

Request to Rezone two parcels to C2 Tax Parcels: WG010268 and WG010267

Addresses: 4099 Hwy 138, Walnut Grove, Georgia Acreage: Tract B is 21.05 acres; Tract A is 11.76 acres

# Dear City Clerk:

My client, A&S Walton Investment Group, LLC (the "Applicant"), is the owner of two adjoining tracts of land located on Hwy 138 which were recently annexed into the City of Walnut Grove. The property includes a 11.76-acre parcel (Tract A) which was zoned commercial prior to annexation, and a 21.05-acre parcel (Tract B) which was zoned agricultural prior to annexation. Tract A is used for Anderson Grading and Pipeline's construction business including equipment storage and Tract B is currently vacant. Neither tract was zoned as a part of the annexation process and Applicant desires to zone both tracts C2 to be consistent with the current commercial use of Tract A and the proposed commercial use for Tract B. Each tract is addressed in further detail below.

# 1. Tract A (11.76 acres): Request C2 zoning for consistency with County B3 zoning

A&S Walton Investment Group, LLC purchased Tract A and B in 2020 as a single parcel. It later divided the parcels into two tracts and on March 10, 2020, Applicant rezoned Tract A through the Walton County Board of Commissioners to B3 to allow for outdoor storage of construction equipment. Tract A has been used for commercial purposes since 2020 and includes a house/office which sits closest to Hwy 138 and several storage buildings toward the rear of the property along with areas for equipment parking. Applicant intends to continue these uses and requests that the City rezone Tract A to be consistent with the B3 zoning which would be C2 under the Walnut Grove Development Ordinance. Applicant also requests that the rezoning record reflect



that the existing buildings, outdoor equipment parking, and current uses are grandfathered as they met all Walton County standards prior to annexation and existed prior to Applicant being subject to Walnut Grove regulations.

# 2. Tract B (21.05 acres): Request C2 zoning for a relocation of Mike's Tire Depot

Applicant proposes to construct a building for a retail tire store on Tract B and requests a C2 zoning to accommodate this commercial use. Specifically, Applicant desires to create a new location for the historic tire store, Mike's Tire Depot, which will be eliminated by the new roundabout at Hwy 138 and Hwy 81. The tire store will front on the entry road off Hwy 138 and include a brick façade on its front and metal siding on the other three sides. The building will be approximately 40 feet by 60 feet (2,400 sf) and include three roll-up bays on the side. The building will be a maximum of 16 feet high. The parking area will be asphalt and includes the required 12 parking spaces.

Commercial use of Tract B is consistent with the existing operations on Tract A and with the future use of the Enclave commercial areas directly across the street. Additionally, the tire store is simply a relocation of an existing commercial operation and should not generate any additional traffic or other potential impacts to the City or surrounding area. The new location affords easier ingress and egress off Hwy 138 than the prior location.

Applicant respectfully requests that the City Council approve its request to rezone Tract A and Tract B to C2 to reflect the current uses and the relocation of Mike's Tire Depot.

A complete copy of the application materials is included herewith. If you have any questions or would like to discuss this further, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely

Andrea P. Gray

Attorney for A&S Walton Investment Group, LLC

| 2. | Application Forms |
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# **REZONING APPLICATION**

| APPLICANT INFORM   | IATION                                     |   | OWNER INFORMA  | ATION*                      |
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| NAME: A&S Walton Investm   | ent Group, LLC                             | NAME: A&S                               | Walton Investn   | nent Group, LLC             |
| ADDRESS: 221 S Midland Av  | 9  | ADDRESS: S                              | ame as applica   | nt                          |
| CITY: Monroe   | -  | CITY:                                   |  |                             |
| STATE: Georgia   | ZIP: 30655                                 | STATE:                                  |  | ZIP:                        |
| PHONE: 770-560-6728  |  | PHONE:                                  |  |                             |
| CONTACT PERSON: Timmy She  | elnutt                                     | PHONE                                   | 770-560-6728   |                             |
| APPLICANT'S E-MAIL: timmy@   | andersongradin                             | g.com                                   |  |                             |
| *Include any person having a prophaving property interest (use addit |  |   | a financial interest   | in any business entity      |
|  | APPLICA                                    | NT IS THE:                              |  |                             |
| [ ] OWNER'S AGENT  | OWNER                                      | [ ] CONTRA                              | CT PURCHASER   |                             |
| PRESENT ZONING DISTRICT(S): A  | G  | REQUESTED ZON                           | NING DISTRICT: C-  | 2                           |
| PARCEL ID NUMBER: WG01026  | 8 and WG01026                              | 7                                       | ACREAGE: 21.05   | acres & 11.76 acres         |
| ADDRESS OF PROPERTY: 4099 Hw   | y 138, Walnut Grove                        | , GA (Tract 1 a                         | and 2)   |                             |
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#### REZONING APPLICANT'S RESPONSE

#### STANDARDS OF REVIEW

PURSUANT TO SECTION 1608.OF THE CITY OF WALNUT GROVE ZONING ORDINANCE, THE CITY COUNCIL FINDS THAT THE FOLLOWING STANDARDS ARE RELEVANT IN BALANCING THE INTEREST IN PROMOTING THE PUBLIC HEALTH, SAFETY, MORALITY OR GENERAL WELFARE AGAINST THE RIGHT TO THE UNRESTRICTED USE OF PROPERTY AND SHALL GOVERN THE EXERCISE OF THE ZONING POWER.

PLEASE RESPOND TO THE FOLLOWING STANDARDS IN THE SPACE PROVIDED OR USE AN ATTACHMENT AS NECESSARY:

#### THE EXISTING LAND USE PATTERN

Both properties were recently annexed in to the City. Commercial development is consistent with the existing uses and with commercial development along Hwy 138. The tire store is being relocated from its current location which is a mile away (Hwy 138 at Hwy 81) due to the new roundabout.

THE POSSIBLE CREATION OF AN ISOLATED DISTRICT UNRELATED TO ADJACENT AND NEARBY DISTRICTS;

One of the two properties is already utilitzed for commercial purposes and was zoned for the same by Walton County prior to the annexation. The second is a continuation of that use and neither will create an isolated district.

THE POPULATION DENSITY PATTERN AND POSSIBLE INCREASE OR OVER-TAXING OF THE LOAD ON PUBLIC FACILITIES INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, SCHOOL, UTILITIES, AND STREETS;

The two proposed commercial developments will not generate additional population or burdens on schools. Direct access to Hwy 138 reduces potential traffic on smaller, residential streets. These developments do not have high utility needs.

needs.
THE COSTS TO THE CITY AND OTHER GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES IN PROVIDING, IMPROVING, INCREASING OR MAINTAINING PUBLIC UTILITIES, SCHOOLS, STREETS, LAW ENFORCEMENT, FIRE PROTECTION AND OTHER PUBLIC SERVICES:

No immediate direct costs are anticipated for the City or other government entities as a result of these developments. They are not anticipated to create noteable increases to demand for fire and police services.

THE POSSIBLE IMPACT ON THE ENVIRONMENT, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO DRAINAGE, SOIL EROSION AND SEDIMENTATION, FLOODING, AIR QUALITY AND WATER QUALITY; Applicant will meet all state and local requirements for drainage, soil erosion and sedimentation and the

Applicant will meet all state and local requirements for drainage, soil erosion and sedimentation and the areas proposed for development are not in flood areas. The tire store and existing construction office operations do not generate significant hazards to water quality or air quality.

WHETHER THE PROPOSED ZONING AMENDMENT WILL ALLOW USES WHICH WILL BE A DETRIMENT TO THE VALUE OF ADJACENT PROPERTY IN ACCORDANCE WITH EXISTING REGULATIONS:

As this cooridor of Hwy 138 develops with the roundabout and commercial portion of the Enclave, property values will increase.

WHETHER THERE ARE SUBSTANTIAL REASONS WHY THE PROPERTY CANNOT BE USED AND DEVELOPED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE EXISTING REGULATIONS:

Commercial operations are not permitted on property zoned AG. The 11.76 acre property was zoned commercial by Walton County prior to the annexation.

THE AESTHETIC EFFECT OF THE EXISTING AND PROPOSED USE OF THE PROPERTY AS IT RELATES TO THE SURROUNDING AREA;

The 11.76 acre property already has a commercial business office with equipment storage buildings. The addition of a tire store on the adjoining property will fit within the developing character of the area.

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THE EXTENT TO WHICH THE PROPOSED ZONING AMENDMENT IS CONSISTENT WITH THE COMPREHENSIVE LAND USE PLAN:
The property is not included in the future land use plan because it was annexed after the plan was developed. However, the plan shows commercial development on the property across Hwy 138 and there is existing commercial development heading west on Hwy 138 including The Grove and storage building

THE POSSIBLE EFFECTS OF THE PROPOSED ZONING AMENDMENT ON THE CHARACTER OF THE ZONING DISTRICT, A
PARTICULAR PIECE OF PROPERTY, NEIGHBORHOOD, A PARTICULAR AREA OR THE COMMUNITY AS A WHOLE;

The character of the immediate area is transitioning to commercial developments with higher density residential developments which is characteristic of urban growth near the city center.

THE RELATIONSHIP THAT THE PROPOSED ZONING AMENDMENT BEARS TO THE PURPOSE OF THE OVERALL ZONING SCHEME, WITH DUE CONSIDERATION GIVEN TO WHETHER THE PROPOSED ZONING WILL CARRY OUT THE PURPOSES OF THESE REGULATIONS:

The proposed zoning amendment is consistent with the city's desire to development commercial businesses on Hwy 138 in the vicninty of the new roundabout and hopeful future town center.

ANY APPLICATION FOR A ZONING MAP AMENDMENT WHICH DOES NOT CONTAIN A SPECIFIC SITE PLAN CARRIES A REBUTTABLE PRESUMPTION THAT SUCH REZONING SHALL ADVERSELY EFFECT THE ZONING SCHEME;

A site plan is included with the application which depicts the tire store proposed on the 21.05 acre property. No site plan is provided for the existing buildings on the 11.76 acre property which were previously approved by Walton County.

THE CONSIDERATION OF THE PRESERVATION OF THE INTEGRITY OF RESIDENTIAL NEIGHBORHOODS SHALL BE CONSIDERED TO CARRY GREAT WEIGHT;

The proposed rezoning does not directly impact a residential neighborhood and is consistent with the commercial development proposed as part of the Enclave development across Hwy 138.

IN INSTANCES WHEN PROPERTY FRONTS ON A MAJOR THOROUGHFARE AND ALSO ADJOINS AN ESTABLISHED RESIDENTIAL NEIGHBORHOOD, THE FACTOR OF PRESERVATION OF THE NEIGHBORHOOD SHALL BE CONSIDERED TO CARRY GREAT WEIGHT;

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WHETHER THE PROPERTY AFFECTED BY THE DECISION HAS A REASONABLE ECONOMIC USE AS CURRENTLY ZONED; AND

WHETHER OTHER CONDITIONS EXIST THAT AFFECT USE AND DEVELOPMENT OF THE PROPERTY IN QUESTION AND SUPPORT APPROVAL OR DENIAL.

The 11.76-acre parcel was zoned commercial prior to annexation and is currently used for commercial purposes. Rezoning the adjoining 21.05 acres is a natural continuation of this use and of the trend of development down Hwy 138.

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## **REZONING APPLICANT'S CERTIFICATION**

THE UNDERSIGNED BELOW IS AUTHORIZED TO MAKE THIS APPLICATION. THE UNDERSIGNED IS AWARE THAT IF THE APPLICATION IS DENIED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WALNUT GROVE, THEN NO APPLICATION OR RE-APPLICATION AFFECTING THE SAME LAND SHALL BE ACTED UPON WITHIN 12 MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THE DENIAL.

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| Timothy Shelnutt, Member      |                   |                 |
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| SIGNATURE OF NOTARY PUBLIC    | DATE              | NOTARY SEAL     |
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#### REZONING PROPERTY OWNER'S CERTIFICATION

THE UNDERSIGNED BELOW ACKNOWLEDGES THAT THEY ARE THE OWNER(S) OF SAID LAND TO BE CONSIDERED IN THIS APPLICATION. THE UNDERSIGNED IS AWARE THAT NO APPLICATION OR REAPPLICATION AFFECTING THE SAME LAND SHALL BE ACTED UPON WITHIN 12 MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF LAST ACTION BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OFWALNUT GROVE.

| SIGNATURE OF OWNER           | 6/1     | 3/24   |
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| Timothy Shelnutt, Member     |         |  |
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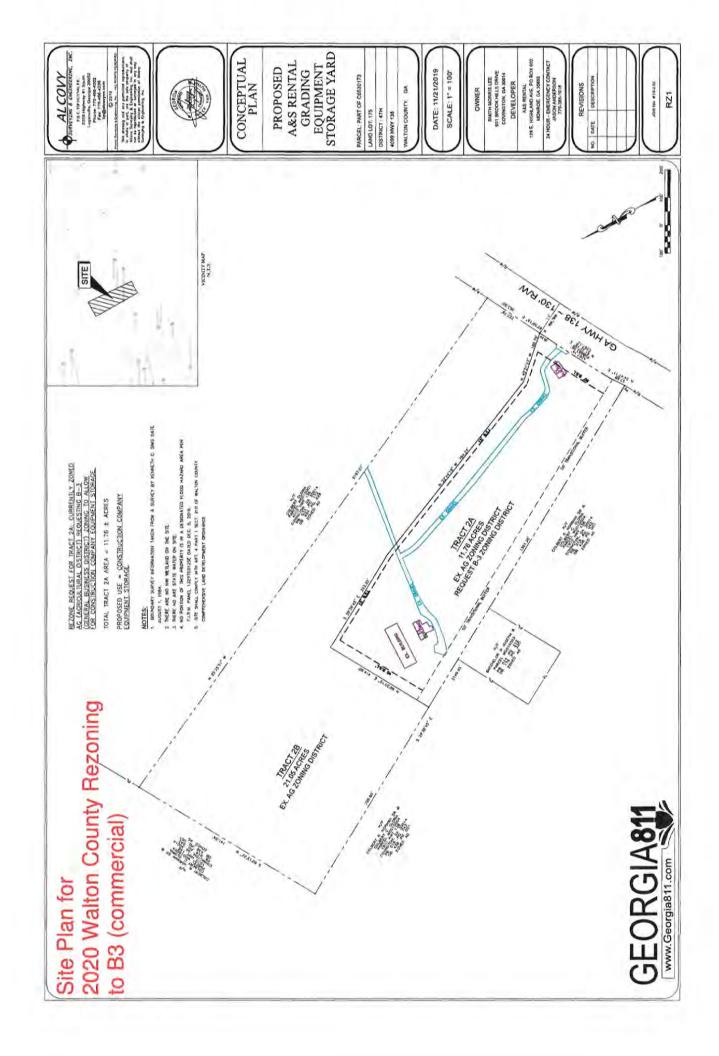
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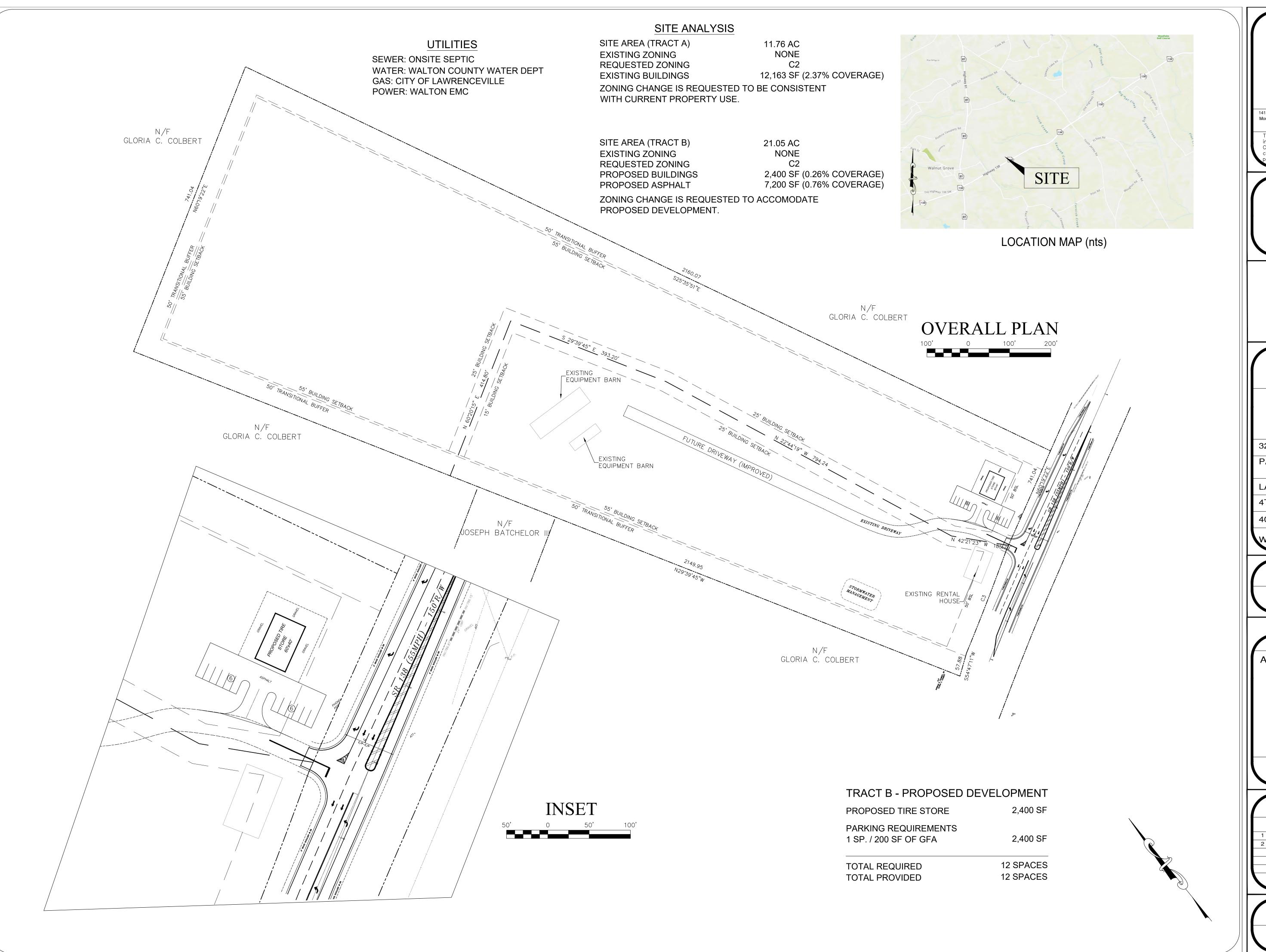
## CONFLICT OF INTEREST CERTIFICATION FOR REZONINGS

THE UNDERSIGNED BELOW, MAKING APPLICATION FOR REZONING, HAS COMPLIED WITH THE OFFICIAL CODE OF GEORGIA SECTION 36-67A-1, ET. SEQ, <u>CONFLICT OF INTEREST IN ZONING ACTIONS</u>, AND HAS SUBMITTED OR ATTACHED THE REQUIRED INFORMATION ON THE FORMS PROVIDED.

| 111  | 0/13/24         | Timothy Shelnutt                         | , Member  |
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| SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT   | DATE            | TYPE OR PRINT NAM                        |   |
| 2017   | 6/13/24         | Andrea Gray, At                          | torney  |
| SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT'S ATTORNEY OR REPRESENTATIVE                                      | DATE            | TYPE OR PRINT NAI                        | ME AND TITLE WAYE PICKET  |
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3. Site Plans







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# REZONE PLAN

# A & S WALTON INVESTMENT GROUP, LLC

32.81 ACRES

PARCEL IDs: WG010267 WG010268

LAND LOTS 165 & 175

4TH LAND DISTRICT

4099 HWY 138

WALNUT GROVE, GEORGIA

06-13-2024

SCALE: 1" = 100'

OWNER / APPLICANT

A&S WALTON INVESTMENT GROUP, LLC P.O. BOX 602 128 E. HIGHLAND AVE. MONROE, GA 30655

24 HOUR - EMERGENCY CONTACT TIMMY SHELNUTT 770-560-6728

# **REVISIONS**

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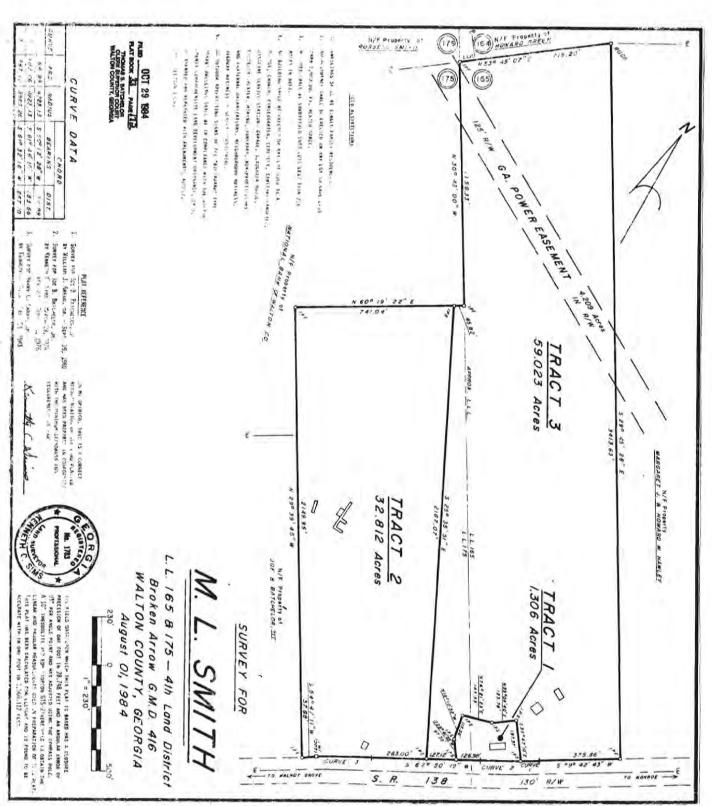
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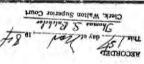
# Legal Description

All that tract or parcel of land lying and being in Land Lot 175 of the 4<sup>th</sup> Land District, Broken Arrow G.M.D. 416, Walton County, Georgia, containing 32.812 acres and shown as Tract 2 on a plat of survey entitled "Survey for M. L. Smith" prepared by Kenneth C. Sims, Georgia Registered Surveyor No. 1783, dated August 1, 1984, recorded in Plat Book 33, Page 172, Walton County Records, which plat is incorporated herein by reference for a more complete description.

Said properties are identified as Tax Parcels: WG010268 and WG010267

5. Deed and Plat





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After recording return to: Andrea P. Gray, LLC P.O. Box 826 Monroe, Georgia 30655

STATE OF GEORGIA COUNTY OF WALTON

## LIMITED WARRANTY DEED

THIS INDENTURE, made this 21 day of February, 2020 between ANITA FAY HARPER SMITH, as party of the first part, hereinafter called Grantor, and A & S WALTON INVESTMENT GROUP LLC, as party of the second part, hereinafter called Grantee (the words "Grantor" and "Grantee" to include their respective successors and assigns where the context requires or permits).

#### WITNESSETH:

That Grantor, for and in consideration of the sum of Ten and NO/100 DOLLARS (\$10.00) and other good and valuable consideration in hand paid, at and before the sealing and delivery of these presents, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, has granted, bargained, sold, aliened, conveyed, and confirmed, and by these presents does grant, bargain, sell, alien, convey, and confirm unto said Grantee, the following described land, to-wit:

All that tract or parcel of land lying and being in Land Lot 175 of the 4th Land District, Broken Arrow G.M.D. 416, Walton County, Georgia, containing 32.812 acres and shown as Tract 2 on a plat of survey entitled "Survey for M. L. Smith" prepared by Kenneth C. Sims, Georgia Registered Surveyor No. 1783, dated August 1, 1984, recorded in Plat Book 33, Page 172. Walton County Records, which plat is incorporated herein by reference for a more complete description.

This Deed is given subject to all easements and restrictions of record, if any.

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the said tract or parcel of land, together with all and singular the rights, members, and appurtenances thereof, to the same being, belonging, or in anywise appertaining, to the only proper use, benefit, and behoof of the said Grantee, forever, in FEE SIMPLE.

And the said Grantor will warrant and forever defend the right and title to the above-described property unto the said Grantee against the claims of all persons by, through and under the above-named Grantor, and not otherwise.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Grantor has hereunto executed this Deed under seal, on the day and year first above written.

Anita Fay Harper Smith

Signed, sealed and delivered,

in the presence of

Unofficial Witness

Notary Public

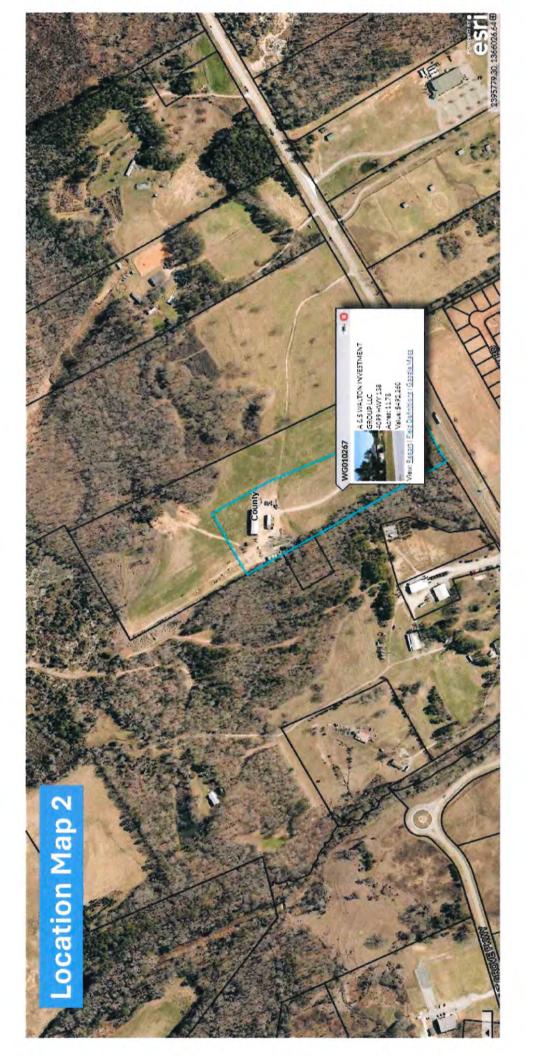
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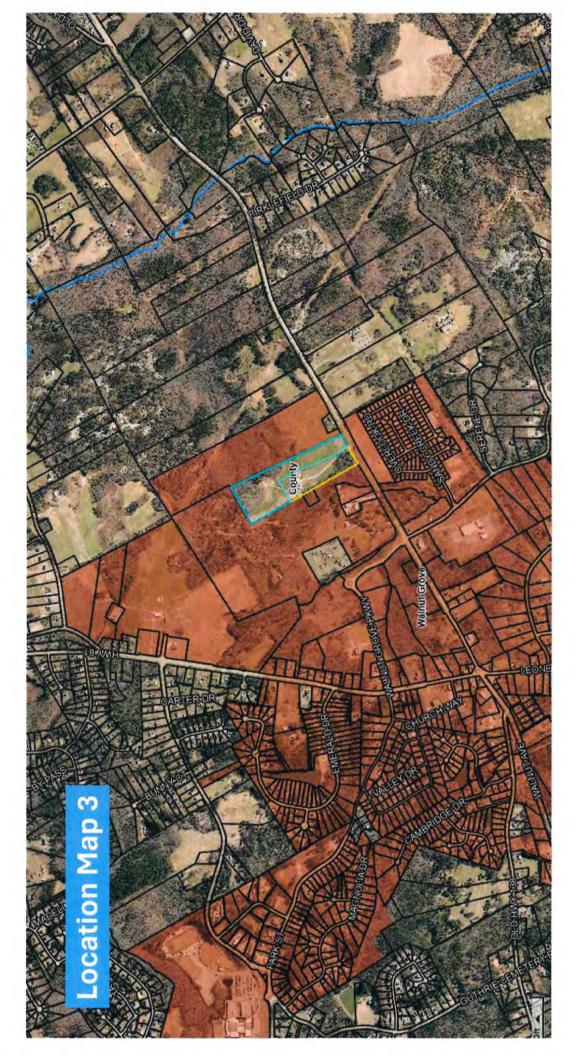
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Notice of Preservation of Constitutional Objections



June 14, 2024

# **Notice of Preservation of Constitutional Objections**

Re: Applicant and Owner: A&S Walton Investment Group, LLC

Request to Rezone two parcels to C2 Tax Parcels: WG010268 and WG010267

Addresses: 4099 Hwy 138, Walnut Grove, Georgia Acreage: Tract B is 21.05 acres; Tract A is 11.76 acres

Georgia law requires that Applicant include in its rezoning record a statement of constitutional objections to put the deciding council on notice of the Applicant's assertion of its constitutional and legal rights to the requested rezoning. In accordance with this requirement, Applicant asserts the following:

The current zoning of the Property restricts said property in an unreasonable manner, is unconstitutional, null and void in that the restriction to the current zoning classifications affords the Applicant no reasonable use of the Property and is the equivalent of a taking of the Applicant's property rights without payment of just and adequate compensation and without due process in violation of the Fifth Amendment and Fourteenth Amendments to the Constitution of the United States, and Article I, Section I, Paragraph I, and Article I, Section III, Paragraph 1 of the Constitution of the State of Georgia.

A refusal by the council to approve the rezoning requested by the Applicant to permit a reasonable economic return on the Applicant's investment and a reasonable use of the Property would therefore be unconstitutional, null and void and would be arbitrary, capricious and without a rational basis, thus constituting an abuse of discretion. Further, a refusal by the council would discriminate in an arbitrary, capricious, and unreasonable manner between the Applicant and owners of similarly situated properties in violation of the Equal Protection Clause of the Fourteenth Amendment to the Constitution of the United States, and Article I, Section I, Paragraph II of the Georgia Constitution.

The continued application of the current zoning to the Property results in little or no gain to the public in general and fails to promote the health, safety, morals or general welfare of the public and does not bear a substantial relation to the objectives of the City of Walnut Grove, Georgia Zoning Ordinance, and would constitute a substantial reduction of the property value of the Applicant and is therefore confiscatory and void.

By filing this Statement of Constitutional Rights, the Applicant reserves all rights and remedies available to them under the United States Constitution, the Georgia Constitution, all applicable federal state and local laws and ordinances, and in equity.

**Property Tax Payment Records** 

Rezoning Application Date: March 13, 2018 Page 14

## **VERIFICATION OF CURRENT PAID PROPERTY TAXES FOR REZONING**

THE UNDERSIGNED BELOW IS AUTHORIZED TO MAKE THIS APPICATION. THE UNDERSIGNED CERTIFIES THAT ALL WALNUT GROVE CITY AND COUNTY PROPERTY TAXES BILLED TO DATE FOR THE PARCEL LISTED BELOW HAVE BEEN PAID IN FULL TO THE TAX COMMISSIONER OF WALTON COUNTY, GEORGIA. IN NO CASE SHALL AN APPLICATION OR REAPPLICATION FOR REZONING BE PROCESSED WITHOUT SUCH PROPERTY VERIFICATION.

NOTE: A SEPARATE VERIFICATION FORM MUST BE COMPLETED FOR EACH TAX PARCEL INCLUDED IN THE REZONING REQUEST.

| PARCEL ID. NUMBER:  | 4th             | 175         | -WG010267                 |
|---|-----------------|-------------|---------------------------|
| (MAP REFERENCE NUMBER)  | DISTRICT        | LAND LOT    | PARCEL                    |
| In the  |                 | 0/13/       | 24                        |
| SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT  |                 | DATE        |                           |
| Timothy Shelnutt, Member  |                 |             |                           |
| TYPE OR PRINT NAME AND TITLE  | Sep Al          | Hadrid      |                           |
|   | TAX COMMISSIONE | RS USE ONLY |                           |
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| NAME  |                 | TITLE       |                           |
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| DATE  |                 |             |                           |
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| DATE RECEIVED:  |                 |             |                           |

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CASE:

DATE RECEIVED:

# **2023 Property Tax Statement**

Tax Commissioner 303 South Hammond Drive STE 100 Walton County Government Building Monroe, Georgia 30655

Ph: 770-266-1736, Fax: 770-267-1416

A & S WALTON INVESTMENT 221 S MIDLAND AVE MONROE, GA 30655

#### RETURN THIS PORTION WITH PAYMENT

(Interest will be added per month if not paid by due date)

| Bill No. | Due Date   | Current<br>Due | Prior<br>Payment | Back<br>Taxes | *Total Due*        |
|----------|------------|----------------|------------------|---------------|--------------------|
| 2023-266 | 11/15/2023 | \$0.00         | \$2,929.97       | \$0.00        | Paid<br>2023-10-12 |

Map: C0520173A00 Printed: 06/06/2024

Location: HWY 138

The Tax Commissioner is the tax collector and is not responsible for values nor for rates. If you feel the assessed fair market value of your property is incorrect, please contact the Tax Assessors office at 770-267-1352.

Payments made after the due date are subject to interest and penalties governed by Georgia Code. State law requires all tax bills to be mailed to owner of record on January 1st. If property has been sold, please contact our office.

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Tax Payer: A & S WALTON INVESTMENT

Map Code: C0520173A00 Re
Description: TR#1 21.04AC
Location: HWY 138
Bill No: 2023-266

District: 04 COUNTY

| <b>Building Value</b> | Land Value | Acres           | Fair Market       | Value Due  | Date I           | Billing Date    | Payment Good<br>through |        | Exemptions |
|-----------------------|------------|-----------------|-------------------|------------|------------------|-----------------|-------------------------|--------|------------|
| 0.00                  | 241,500.00 | 21.0400         | \$241,500.        | 00 11/1    | 5/2023           | 06/06/2024      |                         |        |            |
| Entity                |            | Adjusted<br>FMV | Net<br>Assessment | Exemptions | Taxable<br>Value | Millage<br>Rate | Gross Tax               | Credit | Net Tax    |
| COUNTY M&O            |            | \$241,500       | \$96,600          | \$0        | \$96,600         | 13.451000       | \$1,005.90              | \$0.00 | \$1,005.90 |
| COUNTY SCHOOL M&O     |            | \$241,500       | \$96,600          | \$0        | \$96,600         | 16.693000       | \$1,612.54              | \$0.00 | \$1,612.54 |
| SCHOOL BOND           |            | \$241,500       | \$96,600          | \$0        | \$96,600         | 1.390000        | \$134.27                | \$0.00 | \$134.27   |
| FIRE DISTRICT         |            | \$241,500       | \$96,600          | \$0        | \$96,600         | 1.835000        | \$177.26                | \$0.00 | \$177.26   |
| TOTA                  | LS         |                 |                   |            |                  | 33.369000       | \$2,929.97              | \$0.00 | \$2,929.97 |

State law requires all tax bills to be mailed to the owner of record on January 1st. If property has been sold, please contact our office.

This bill is not sent to your mortgage company. If you have an escrow account, please forward a copy of this bill to your mortgage company. We encourage you to pay by mail or on our website at www.waltoncountypay.com

Certain persons are eligible for certain homestead exemptions from ad valorem taxation. In addition, certain elderly persons are entitled to additional homestead exemptions. Applications must be filed by April 1st.

For eligibility requirements regarding exemptions or questions about your value, contact the Tax Assessors office at 770-267-1352.

| Current Due              | \$2,929.97 |  |  |  |  |
|--------------------------|------------|--|--|--|--|
| Penalty                  | \$0.00     |  |  |  |  |
| Interest                 | \$0.00     |  |  |  |  |
| Other Fees               | \$0.00     |  |  |  |  |
| <b>Previous Payments</b> | \$2,929.97 |  |  |  |  |
| Back Taxes               | \$0.00     |  |  |  |  |
| Total Due                | \$0.00     |  |  |  |  |
| Paid Date                | 2023-10-12 |  |  |  |  |

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A & S WALTON INVESTMENT 221 S MIDLAND AVE MONROE, GA 30655

#### RETURN THIS PORTION WITH PAYMENT

(Interest will be added per month if not paid by due date)

Prior Current Back Bill No. **Due Date** \*Total Due\* Taxes Due Payment Paid 2023-264 11/15/2023 \$0.00 \$5,933.47 \$0.00 2023-10-12

Map: C0520173 Printed: 06/06/2024

Location: 4099 HWY 138

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Tax Payer: A & S WALTON INVESTMENT

Map Code: C0520173 Real
Description: TR#2 11.78AC
Location: 4099 HWY 138
Bill No: 2023-264
District: 04 COUNTY

**Back Taxes** 

**Paid Date** 

**Total Due** 

\$0.00

\$0.00

2023-10-12

| Building Value  | Land Value | e Acres         | Fair Marke        | et Value | Di  | e Date                 | Billing Date     | Payment through |            | Exemptions |
|---|------------|-----------------|-------------------|----------|-----|------------------------|------------------|-----------------|------------|------------|
| 123,960.00  | 365,100.00 | 11.7800         | \$489,06          | 0.00     | 11/ | 15/2023                | 06/06/2024       |                 |            |            |
| Entity  |            | Adjusted<br>FMV | Net<br>Assessment | Exempti  | ons | Taxable<br>Value       | Millage<br>Rate  | Gross Tax       | Credit     | Net Tax    |
| COUNTY M&O  |            | \$489,060       | \$195,624         |          | \$0 | \$195,624              | 13.451000        | \$2,037.03      | \$0.00     | \$2,037.03 |
| COUNTY SCHOOL M   | 0.2        | \$489,060       | \$195,624         |          | \$0 | \$195,624              | 16.693000        | \$3,265.55      | \$0.00     | \$3,265.55 |
| SCHOOL BOND   |            | \$489,060       | \$195,624         |          | \$0 | \$195,624              | 1.390000         | \$271.92        | \$0.00     | \$271.92   |
| FIRE DISTRICT   |            | \$489,060       | \$195,624         |          | \$0 | \$195,624              | 1.835000         | \$358.97        | \$0.00     | \$358.97   |
| TOTALS  |            |                 |                   |          |     |                        | 33.369000        | \$5,933.47      | \$0.00     | \$5,933.47 |
| State law requires al<br>January 1st. If prope                                  |            |                 |                   |          |     |                        |                  |                 |            |            |
| This bill is not sent to your mortgage company. If you have an escrow           |            |                 |                   |          |     | Current Du             | 1e               |                 | \$5,933,47 |            |
| account, please forward a copy of this bill to your mortgage company.           |            |                 |                   |          |     | Penalty                |                  |                 | \$0.00     |            |
| We encourage you to pay by mail or on our website at<br>www.waltoncountypay.com |            |                 |                   |          |     | Interest<br>Other Fees | \$0.00<br>\$0.00 |                 |            |            |
| www.waitoncountyp   | ay.com     |                 |                   |          |     |                        | Previous P       |                 |            | \$5,933.47 |

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# 9. Utilities

Applicant intends to use the below utilities and understands that sufficient capacity is available to meet its needs. The proposed commercial uses will generate minimal demand for utilities. Tract A is currently served by the below services. Tract B will be a continuation of the commercial uses.

Electricity: Walton EMCWater: Walton County

Sewer: Onsite septic systemGas: City of Lawrenceville

# **PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE**

A Public Hearings to consider the rezoning of property within the City Limits of the City of Walnut Grove, Georgia has been scheduled before the Planning and Zoning Commission of the City on Wednesday, August 14, 2024, at 5:30 PM at 1021 Park Street Loganville, Ga 30052. This Public Hearing will be followed by a second Public Hearing scheduled to be held before the Walnut Grove Mayor and City Council on Wednesday, August 14, 2024, at 6:00 PM at 1021 Park Street, Loganville Ga 30052. The petition filed by the applicant and owner is requesting to change the zoning classification for 21.05 acres known as **Tax Parcel WG010268** located at 4099 Highway 138 from AG to C2 and to change the zoning classification for 11.76 acres known as **Tax Parcel WG010267** located at 4099 Highway 138 from C2 to C2. The public is invited to participate in this Public Hearing and state their positions in favor and against this zoning action.