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Planning Dept.

Modification to Approved ProjectCity of Rochester, New Hampshire

Case # 216-11-GRD-14 Property Address 92 Farmington Road
Type of project: Site Plan X; Subdivision; Line Adjustment; Other
Project name The Ridge Marketplace
Date of original Planning Board approval: May 5, 2014
Description of modification See attached narrative.
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Applicant Agent X Today's date: 9/8/2015
Please note: Modifications are reviewed by the Planning Board but no public hearing is held and no notices are required. (In contrast, projects, which are considered to have a potential impact upon abutters, are considered amendments for which notice and a public hearing is required.) There is a \$125.00 fee for a modification. For very simple matters ("administrative modifications") approved by staff, there is no fee.
Fee paid? YesNoCheck #Staff initials that check received
Modification approvedModification deniedDate of Planning Board action
Conditions
Signature: Date:

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Narrative:

On May 5, 2014, the Rochester Planning Board approved the site plans for The Ridge Marketplace. Subsequently, in November 2014 and June 2015 the Planning Board approved modifications to the approved site plan. Developments of this scale are often modified to suit the individual tenants' needs as the tenants are secured.

Since the June Planning Board, the Applicant, Waterstone Rochester, LLC, has been working to secure tenants for the development and as expected, these discussions with tenants require modifications to the approved site plan to address their needs. Below is a summary of proposed modifications to the approved site plans as depicted on the revised plans submitted with this application:

- Building Footprint Changes:
 - o The total proposed building square footage increased from +/-290,582 sf to +/-309,209 sf.
 - Minor modifications have been made to some tenants in the "Anchor" building on the western side of the development.
 - The demising wall on the southernmost tenant has been removed per tenant request.
 - Two dedicated utility rooms have been added to the rear of the development per tenant requests.
 - The 17,000 sf retail building has been replaced with a 35,000 sf retail building.
 - The Utilities, Drainage, and Landscaping in the vicinity of this building will be revised to accommodate the expanded building.

Additional Wetland Impacts

 Approximately 8,250 sf of wetland impacts are required for the above mentioned 35,000 sf retail building. The size of the wetland is less than one half of an acre and thus the area is exempt from the regulations under the City's Zoning Ordinance Section 42.12 Conservation Overlay District (42.12.e).

However, the Applicant is in the process of permitting these additional impacts with state and federal agencies and will send copies of these permit applications to the City for review once they are filed. The Applicant's representatives have already met with the Army Corp of Engineers, the NHDES and the Conservation Commission regarding these additional impacts.

- Parking Lot Revisions:
 - The total parking proposed increased from 1,346 to 1,358 spaces (4.39 spaces per 1000 sf of GFA proposed).
 - Additional accessible parking spaces and cart corrals have been added in front of the "Anchor" building's southernmost tenant per the tenant's request. These changes also require modifications to the islands at the end of the parking fields.
- Landscape Revisions:
 - Eight (8) additional 5'x12' raised planters have been added to the pedestrian area in front of the 29,000 sf strip building.
 - o The park area at the center of the site has been revised to reduce the amount of concrete sidewalks and increase the amount of landscaped planters.

As discussed above, developments of this size are fluid in nature and evolve as tenants are secured. It is extremely likely that these will not be the final changes to the site plan as more tenants sign on to be a part of The Ridge.

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