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Architectural Review Board Staff Report

Project Type: Amended Site Development Plan

Meeting Date: June 8, 2017

From: Cassie Harashe, AICP

Project Planner

Location: Northwestern corner of the intersection of Long Road and Edison Avenue

Applicant: Pets & Company

Description: Tower Center, Lot AA (Pets & Company): An Amended Site Development

Plan, Amended Architectural Elevations and Statement of Design for a 2.01 acre tract of land zoned "PC" Planned Commercial District located on the

northwest corner of Long Road and Edison Avenue.

PROPOSAL SUMMARY

The applicant currently runs a doggy daycare and boarding facility with outdoor play areas for the animals. The request is to extend the outdoor play area for the dogs by replacing the western drive aisle and a total of 6 parking spaces near the front of their location with K9 grass and two types of fencing, a black aluminum fence (in heights of 72" around the outdoor perimeter, and 48" separating playing areas) and half faux stone wall-half black aluminum fence, totaling 72" in height near the entrance of the building to aid in screening.

HISTORY OF SUBJECT SITE

This development was rezoned to "PC" Planned Commercial in 2000 by Ordinance No. 1677. On March 8, 2004 a preliminary plan was approved that conformed with Ordinance No. 1677. In August 2004, a Site Development Plan, Landscape Plan, Architectural Elevations, and Lighting Plan for the entire site were approved by the Planning Commission. Then in December 2005, Ordinance 2227 replaced 1677, which allowed for different setbacks. A re-subdivision was approved on August 18, 2008 by City Council. An amended site plan for black aluminum fencing was approved in 2014 by Staff. A second amendment, also approved by Staff, was approved in 2015 for the half fence half faux stone wall to be installed. The applicant is proposing to utilize the same style of divided fence in conjunction with the proposed expansion of the outdoor play yard.



Figure 1: Location of Pets & Company

STAFF ANALYSIS

General Requirements for Site Design:

The subject site is located on the northwest corner of the intersection of Long Road and Edison Avenue. The building is on a slight angle towards the intersection. Given this orientation, the front side of the building will be visible to motorists traveling northbound on Long Road and east and west along Edison. The additional play area on the west side of the building will be most visible to motorists traveling along Chesterfield Business Parkway.

Circulation System and Access

The subject site is removing one drive aisle along the west side of the building to accommodate the outdoor play area expansion. Access from the south side of the property to the north side can be accommodated by exiting onto Edison Avenue, turning right onto Chesterfield Business Parkway, and another right into the site near the northeast corner of the property. Monarch Fire Department has reviewed this change, as discussed in the agency comment included in the applicant's submittal.

Topography, Retaining Walls, and Parking

The site is already developed. No additional retaining walls are proposed at this time.

Parking is located along the southern and eastern portions of the building. The applicant is proposing to remove a total of 6 parking spaces for this outdoor play area expansion. This leaves the total number of parking spaces at 82, which is 13 above the required 69 spaces.

General Requirements for Building Design:

A. Scale

No changes to the scale of the building are proposed at this time



Figure 2: Color Site Plan

B. Design

No changes are proposed to the building itself. The applicant is proposing an extension of the fencing materials. Please see photos above for the proposed changes.

C. Materials and Color

Fencing along the western edge will be similar to the black metal, six-foot tall existing fencing currently on the site. Additionally, there is an existing beige panel wall near the door that is approximately three feet (3') tall, with an additional three feet (3') of black metal fencing on top. The applicant is proposing to increase the amount of this fencing to bring it further away from the building into the parking lot. Finally, the ground in all of the play areas will be covered with K9 grass, a faux turf on top of aggregate to assist with drainage and odor.

D. Landscape Design and Screening

A small portion of mulch of the site's existing landscaping will be removed and replaced by K9 grass during this expansion. The specific area is located on the northeast side of the entrance near the light post.



Figure 3: Existing southeast perspective



Figure 4: Proposed southeast perspective

E. Signage

A sign permit was approved by Staff in January 2017. There are no changes to signage proposed at this time.

F. Lighting

No changes to the site lighting are proposed at this time.

DEPARTMENT INPUT

Staff has reviewed the Amended Site Development Plan, Architectural Elevations, and Architect's Statement of Design and has found the request to be compliant with all City of Chesterfield code requirements. Staff requests review and recommendation on this submittal for Tower Center, Lot AA (Pets & Company).



Figure 5: Existing south perspective



Figure 6: Proposed south perspective

MOTION

The following options are provided to the Architectural Review Board for consideration relative to this application:

- 1) "I move to forward the Amended Site Development Plan, Amended Architectural Elevations, and Statement of Design for Tower Center, Lot AA (Pets & Company) as presented, with a recommendation for approval (or denial) to Staff."
- 2) "I move to forward the Amended Site Development Plan, Amended Architectural Elevations, and Statement of Design for Tower Center, Lot AA (Pets & Company) to Staff with the following recommendations..."

Attachments

1. Architectural Review Packet Submittal



4/27/17

To Whom It May Concern:

Pets & Company is proposing to expand our exterior play yards to allow for more space for the dogs to play, improve the drainage to eliminate odors and to create a visual barrier to eliminate obnoxious barking. We currently have a total of 4,800 sq feet of fenced exterior yards. We have outgrown our exterior space. We desperately need more room for the dogs to play, improved drainage as well as a solution for excessive barking. We would like to expand our yards into the side drive and approved front parking stalls. We have received permission from the fire department to enclose this area (written email exhibit A, please note we had intended to relocate the dumpster which was the Fire Departments only concern, we've chosen not to relocate the dumpster).

We would like to use the ½ faux stone½ aluminum Simtek fencing that is currently along our sidewalk in the areas outlined in exhibit B. This fencing creates a visual barrier that aids in greatly reducing the alert barking our many guests vocalize each time they see a car, person, other dog or the USPS & UPS delivery drivers. Eliminating the excessive barking is our number one concern. The noise from the barking is very unwelcoming to our clients, it is very disturbing to our neighbors and their customers and it also causes a major disruption in our pack of dogs leading to fights and aggression. Eliminating the barking will benefit our 4 legged and 2 legged guests, increase the safety of our staff and dogs and most importantly it will make Pets & Company a welcoming business that isn't an annoyance to our neighbors and visitors. Increasing the outdoor space will allow our guests more room to exercise and the new turf and drainage tiles will eliminate the odor issues we have with our current drainage system.

Thank you for your time and consideration regarding this project.

Sincerely,

Meredith Webb Vice President Pets & Company

Exhibit A

From: Roger Herin < herin.r@monarchfpd.org>
Date: August 10, 2016 at 7:56:40 AM CDT
To: Meredith Webb < heredithwebb@yahoo.com>
Cc: Fire Prevention < FirePrevention@monarchfpd.org>

Subject: RE: Fire Inspectors

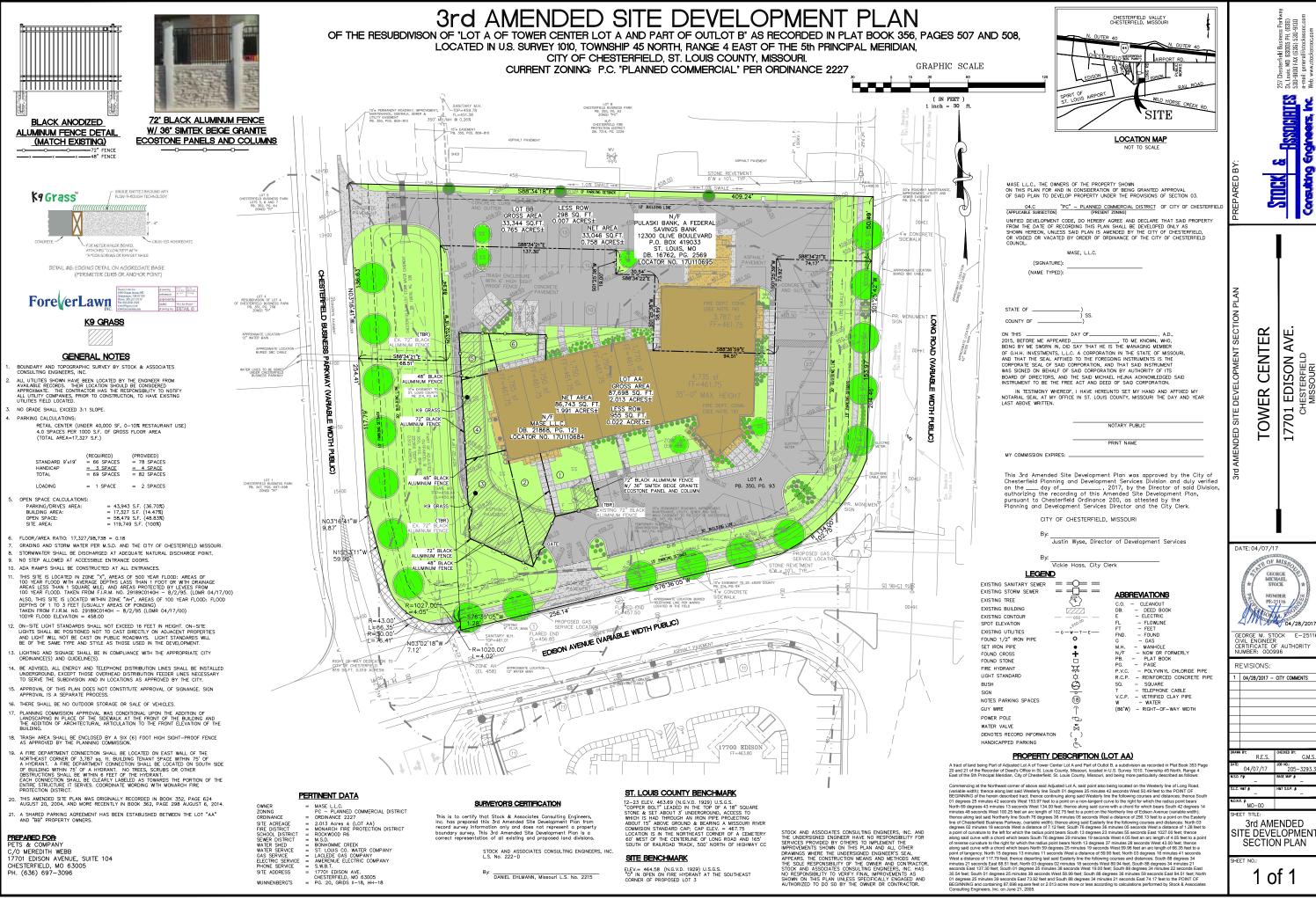
Ms. Webb:

I have reviewed your request, and have consulted with Operations, and have determined it would be acceptable to us to remove the drive as shown on your request. The only concern I have is the re-location of the dumpster and loading zone. The dumpster and loading zone should be located such that the dumpster is at least 15 feet from the building, and the dumpster and loading zone shall not interfere with fire department access.

Roger N. Herin, MCP Deputy Chief/Fire Marshal Monarch Fire Protection District 13725 Olive Blvd. Chesterfield, MO 63017 Office 314-514-0900 ext. 313 Cell 314-581-2206







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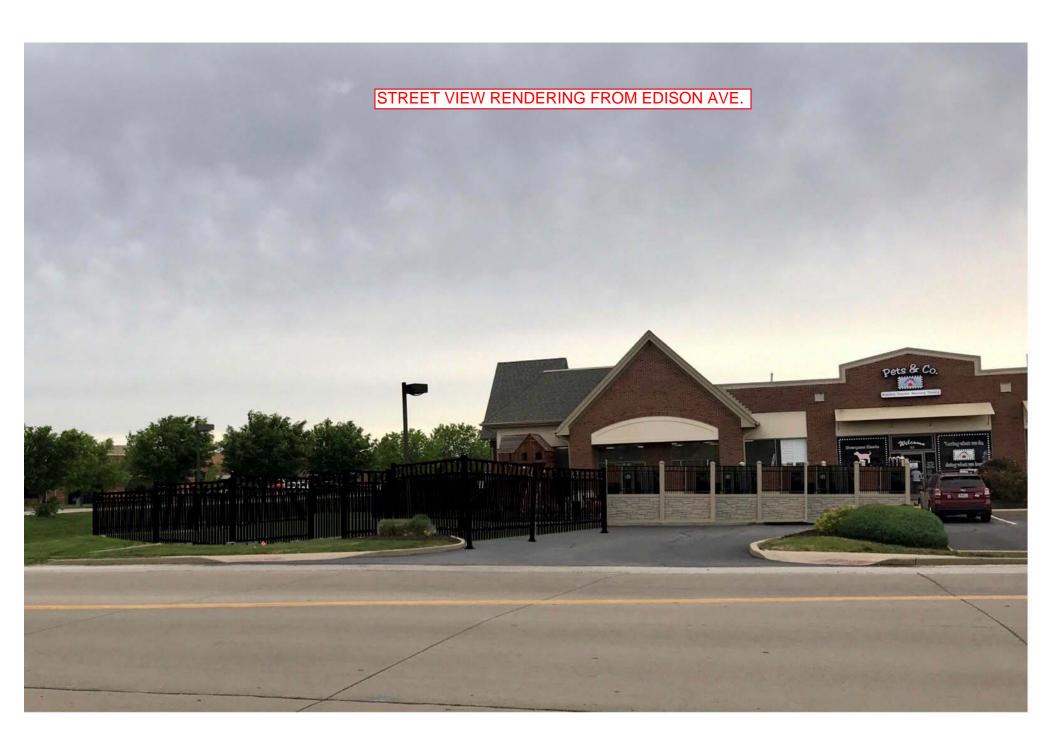












STREET VIEW RENDERING FROM EDISON AVE.

