




DATE: February 13, 2014

TO: Honorable Chairman and Members of the Board of Supervisors

FROM: Arlan Colton, Planning Director 

SUBJECT: Comprehensive Plan Amendments Continued to February 18, 2014:
Co7-13-03 Lawrence C. Leung, Inc. – N. Thornydale Road Plan Amendment;
Co7-13-04 Pacific International Properties, LLP – N. Thornydale Road Plan Amendment;
Co7-13-05 Mandarin Associates – N. Thornydale Road Plan Amendment;
Co7-13-06 Hardy-Thornydale I Associates, et al. – W. Hardy Road Plan Amendment

On November 19, 2013, the Board continued the above-referenced comprehensive plan amendment requests to January 21, 2014 and again to February 18, 2014, in part to allow discussions between the Coalition for Sonoran Desert Protection (Coalition) and the property owners (applicant). During this time period, the applicant, the Coalition, and staff have reached agreement that future development will comply with the full measure of the Special Species Management Areas conservation objectives by providing natural open space set-asides on-site within a given amendment area or as a combination of on-site and off-site areas. If the Board is inclined to approve any or all of the four comprehensive plan amendments, staff recommends incorporating the following additional Rezoning Policies (one for each individual case) to ensure compliance with the Maeveen Marie Behan Conservation Lands System (CLS) in the manner agreed to by the applicant, the Coalition, and staff.

The applicant has provided a framework plan for each plan amendment site that generally identifies the natural open space set-asides in addition to showing riparian areas to be conserved. The additional set-asides are conceptually shown mostly in the form of buffers to neighboring residential properties varying from 50 to 150 feet in width for cases Co7-13-03, 05, and 06. The set-aside concept for Co7-13-04 (the site south of the Audubon Society property) preserves all but eight acres of the 54.95-acre site which exceeds the set-aside area originally envisioned in the memo from the County Administrator dated August 27, 2013. (The applicant mailed invitations to property owners in the vicinity of each plan amendment site to discuss the amendment requests and to solicit input on set-aside buffers. See attached meeting sign-in sheets.)

Where the full conservation measure is not met on-site, the applicant will provide additional off-site conservation on a 4:1 basis consistent with the existing Comprehensive Plan Environmental Element Regional Plan policy. Based on this existing policy, staff recommends the following additional Rezoning Policy for each plan amendment site, which also provides the approximate minimum total natural open space set-aside required for each site, as well as the approximate minimum on-site and off-site set-aside required based on the framework plan concepts:

Co7-13-03 (southeast corner of Thornydale Road and Linda Vista Boulevard)

In addition to Rezoning Policies 1–3 outlined on pages 2 and 3 of the Planning and Zoning Commission Staff Report (hearing date September 25, 2013), staff recommends the following Rezoning Policy:

4. Future development shall be in full compliance with the Special Species Management Areas conservation objectives as established by the Conservation Lands System – Regional Environmental Element. Subsequent rezoning(s) will be considered in conformance with this policy when all of the following are met:
 - natural open space set-asides will either be provided entirely within the amendment area or as a combination of on-site and off-site areas;
 - the site areas of plan amendment cases Co7-13-04, 05, and 06 are not eligible to serve as off-site set-asides;
 - off-site set-aside areas are acceptable to the Pima County Planning Official or designee;
 - off-site set-aside areas are permanently protected as natural open space by a separately recorded legal instrument acceptable to the Pima County Planning Official or designee; and
 - the approximate minimum total natural open space (NOS) set-aside is 33 acres, the approximate minimum on-site NOS set-aside is 9 acres, and the approximate minimum off-site NOS set-aside is 24 acres (acreage may be adjusted accordingly if more than minimum on-site set-aside acreage is provided).

Co7-13-04 (northwest corner of Thornydale Road and Cortaro Farms Road)

In addition to the single Rezoning Policy outlined on page 2 of the Planning and Zoning Commission Staff Report (hearing date September 25, 2013), staff recommends the following Rezoning Policy:

2. Future development shall be in full compliance with the Special Species Management Areas conservation objectives as established by the Conservation Lands System – Regional Environmental Element. Subsequent rezoning(s) will be considered in conformance with this policy when all of the following are met:

- natural open space set-asides will be provided entirely within the amendment area;
- the site areas of plan amendment cases Co7-13-03, 05, and 06 are not eligible to serve as off-site set-asides;
- off-site set-aside areas are permanently protected as natural open space by a separately recorded legal instrument acceptable to the Pima County Planning Official or designee; and
- the approximate minimum total natural open space (NOS) set-aside is 46 acres, the approximate minimum on-site NOS set-aside is 46 acres, and the approximate minimum off-site NOS set-aside is 0 acres.

Co7-13-05 (northwest corner of Thornydale Road and Magee Road)

In addition to Rezoning Policies 1 and 2 outlined on page 2 of the Planning and Zoning Commission Staff Report (hearing date September 25, 2013), staff recommends the following Rezoning Policy:

3. Future development shall be in full compliance with the Special Species Management Areas conservation objectives as established by the Conservation Lands System – Regional Environmental Element. Subsequent rezoning(s) will be considered in conformance with this policy when all of the following are met:
 - natural open space set-asides will either be provided entirely within the amendment area or as a combination of on-site and off-site areas;
 - the site areas of plan amendment cases Co7-13-03, 04, and 06 are not eligible to serve as off-site set-asides;
 - off-site set-aside areas are acceptable to the Pima County Planning Official or designee;
 - off-site set-aside areas are permanently protected as natural open space by a separately recorded legal instrument acceptable to the Pima County Planning Official or designee; and
 - the approximate minimum total natural open space (NOS) set-aside is 38 acres, the approximate minimum on-site NOS set-aside is 7 acres, and the approximate minimum off-site NOS set-aside is 31 acres (acreage may be adjusted accordingly if more than minimum on-site set-aside acreage is provided).

Co7-13-06 (south side of Hardy Road, approx. 1,300 feet east of Thornydale Road)

In addition to the single Rezoning Policy outlined on page 2 of the Planning and Zoning Commission Staff Report (hearing date September 25, 2013), staff recommends the following Rezoning Policy:

2. Future development shall be in full compliance with the Special Species Management Areas conservation objectives as established by the Conservation Lands System –

Regional Environmental Element. Subsequent rezoning(s) will be considered in conformance with this policy when all of the following are met:

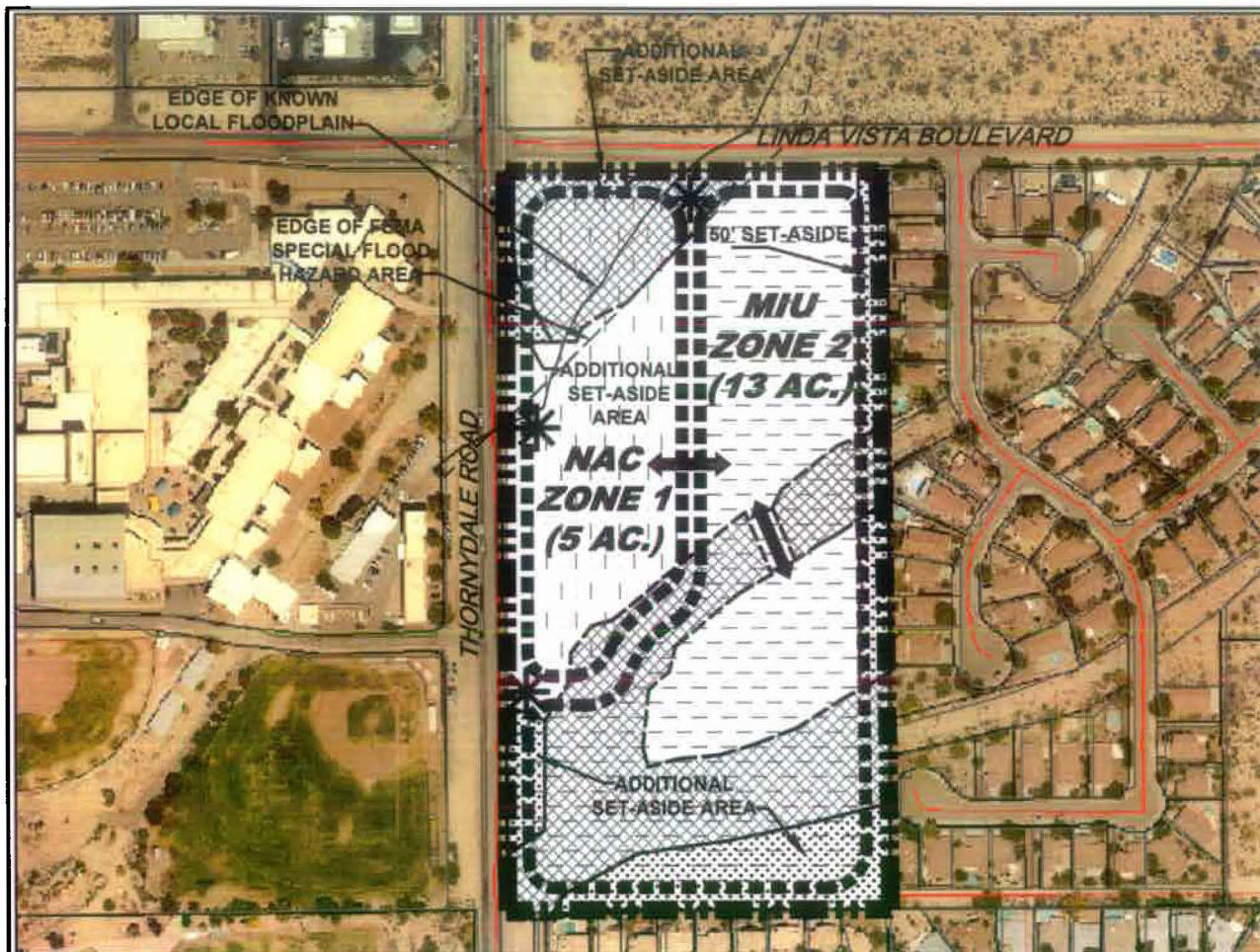
- natural open space set-asides will either be provided entirely within the amendment area or as a combination of on-site and off-site areas;
- the site areas of plan amendment cases Co7-13-03, 04, and 05 are not eligible to serve as off-site set-asides;
- off-site set-aside areas are acceptable to the Pima County Planning Official or designee;
- off-site set-aside areas are permanently protected as natural open space by a separately recorded legal instrument acceptable to the Pima County Planning Official or designee; and
- the approximate minimum total natural open space (NOS) set-aside is 75 acres, the approximate minimum on-site NOS set-aside is 10 acres, and the approximate minimum off-site NOS set-aside is 65 acres (acreage may be adjusted accordingly if more than minimum on-site set-aside acreage is provided).

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Here is a comparative summary of the CLS set-asides for all four cases:

Amendment Site	Approx. Minimum Acres of Total Set-aside	Approx. Minimum On-site Set-aside Acreage	Approx. Minimum Off-site Set-aside Acreage (Acreage may be adjusted accordingly if more than Minimum On-site Set-aside Acreage is provided)
Co7-13-03 (SEC Linda Vista Blvd.)	33	9	24
Co7-13-04 (NWC Cortaro Farms Road)	46	46	0
Co7-13-05 (NWC Magee Road)	38	7	31
Co7-13-06 (Hardy Road)	75	10	65

Cc: Sherry Ruther, Environmental Planning
Jim Portner, Projects International, Inc.
Carolyn Campbell, Coalition for Sonoran Desert Protection



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NOTE:
Subject Property and several surrounding properties are located with a FEMA designated sheet flow area (0.5' Depth).

NOTE:
Final delineation of regulatory floodplains will occur at time of rezoning.



Additional Set-Aside Area

LEGEND



Boundary of Subject Plan Amendment Request



Limits of Important Riparian Areas with underlying Xeroriparian "C" conservation measures to be established in site analysis during the rezoning process in coordination with the Pima County Regional Flood Control District (RFCD). See Note #5 below.



Access to Public Street (Conceptual Location)



Vehicular and Pedestrian Connection between Zones

ZONE DESCRIPTIONS

Zone 1: Commercial Component with Neighborhood Activity Center (NAC) Designation. Area dedicated to non-residential use; this component represents a small, neighborhood-level commercial corner with retail goods and services, restaurants, and personal-service offices. Xeroriparian "C" areas will be incorporated into the project design; details of same to be provided in the future Site Analysis submitted at the time of rezoning.

Zone 2: Residential Component with Medium Intensity Urban (MIU) Designation. Area dedicated to higher-density residential uses. Final form and product to be market-reflective at the time of rezoning and development, but will potentially include higher-density single-family residences (similar in type and density to the existing residences to the immediate east and south) or rental single-family residences in a subdivision design framework. The Xeroriparian "C" areas will be incorporated as an amenity into the project design; details of same to be provided in the future Site Analysis submitted at the time of rezoning.

GENERAL NOTES

1. Building heights, perimeter setbacks, and perimeter landscape buffers will achieve an appropriate transition to established residential structures to the east.
2. Landscape borders along the east and south boundaries of the project will be comprised of the set-asides as shown hereon. These set-asides may be supplemented with salvaged native-desert tree and shrub specimens in those areas where the density of existing vegetation warrants it.
3. Four-sided architecture to be utilized on all commercial buildings.
4. All mechanical equipment on commercial buildings to be screened by rooftop parapets or appropriate architectural/aesthetic means.
5. Final design will incorporate Important Riparian Areas/Xeroriparian "C" drainage courses as natural to the greatest extent possible. Any modification and/or alteration to same will be done in conjunction with an approved riparian habitat mitigation plan in accordance with RFCD's "Regulated Riparian Habitat Mitigation Standards and Implementation Guidelines."
6. New perimeter landscape borders along the Linda Vista Drive and Thornydale Road frontages will utilize salvaged native-desert tree and shrub specimens so as to achieve a mature character as rapidly as possible.
7. Conservation Lands System (CLS) mitigation to be accomplished on-site, off-site, or through a combination of the two in coordination with the Pima County Office of Sustainability & Conservation.

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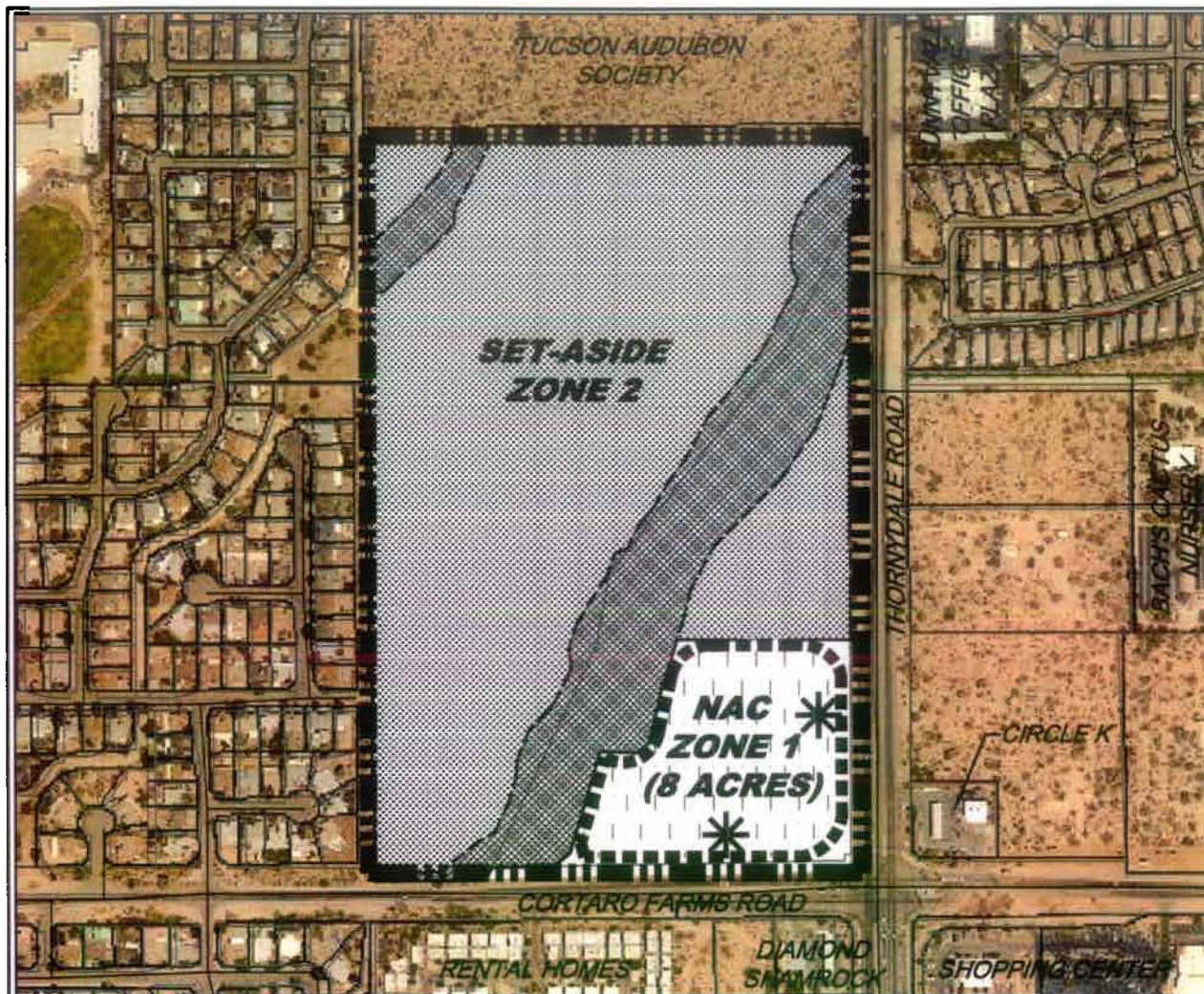
Red Point Development, Inc.

(Ownership Entity: Lawrence C. Leung, Inc.)
COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AMENDMENT REQUEST: LIU to MIU & NAC

FRAMEWORK PLAN

COT-13-03

Revised 2-3-14



NOTE:
Subject Property and several surrounding properties are located with a FEMA designated sheet flow area (0.5' Depth).

NOTE:
Final delineation of regulatory floodplains will occur at time of rezoning.

LEGEND

- Boundary of Subject Plan Amendment Request
- Limits of Xeroriparian "C" — conservation measures to be established in site analysis during the rezoning process in coordination with the Pima County Regional Flood Control District (RFCD). See Note #5 below.
- Access to Public Street (Conceptual Location)
- Additional Set-Aside Area

ZONE DESCRIPTIONS

Zone 1: Commercial Component with Neighborhood Activity Center (NAC) Designation. Area dedicated to non-residential use; this component is represents a neighborhood-level, anchored shopping center (potentially a national grocer), together with complimentary retail goods and services, restaurants, shop spaces, and personal-service offices.

Zone 2: Set-Aside Area.

GENERAL NOTES

1. Building heights, perimeter setbacks, and perimeter landscape buffers will achieve an appropriate transition to established residential structures on adjacent developed properties.
2. The Zone 2 set-aside as shown hereon will provide a material expansion of the established habitat reserves within Arthur Pack Regional Park and the Tucson Audubon Society.
3. Four-sided architecture to be utilized on all commercial buildings.
4. All mechanical equipment on commercial buildings to be screened by rooftop parapets or appropriate architectural/aesthetic means.
5. Final design will incorporate Xeroriparian "C" drainage courses as natural to the greatest extent possible. Any modification and/or alteration to same will be done in conjunction with an approved riparian habitat mitigation plan in accordance with RFCD's "Regulated Riparian Habitat Mitigation Standards and Implementation Guidelines."
6. New perimeter landscape borders along the Cortaro Farms Road and Thornydale Road street frontages of the proposed NAC area will utilize salvaged native-desert tree and shrub specimens so as to achieve a mature character as rapidly as possible.
7. Xeroriparian "C" corridor to be incorporated as an amenity element, with specific conservation measures to be detailed in the Site Analysis accompanying the future rezoning process.
8. Conservation Lands System (CLS) mitigation to be accomplished on-site, off-site, or through a combination of the two in coordination with the Pima County Office of Sustainability & Conservation.

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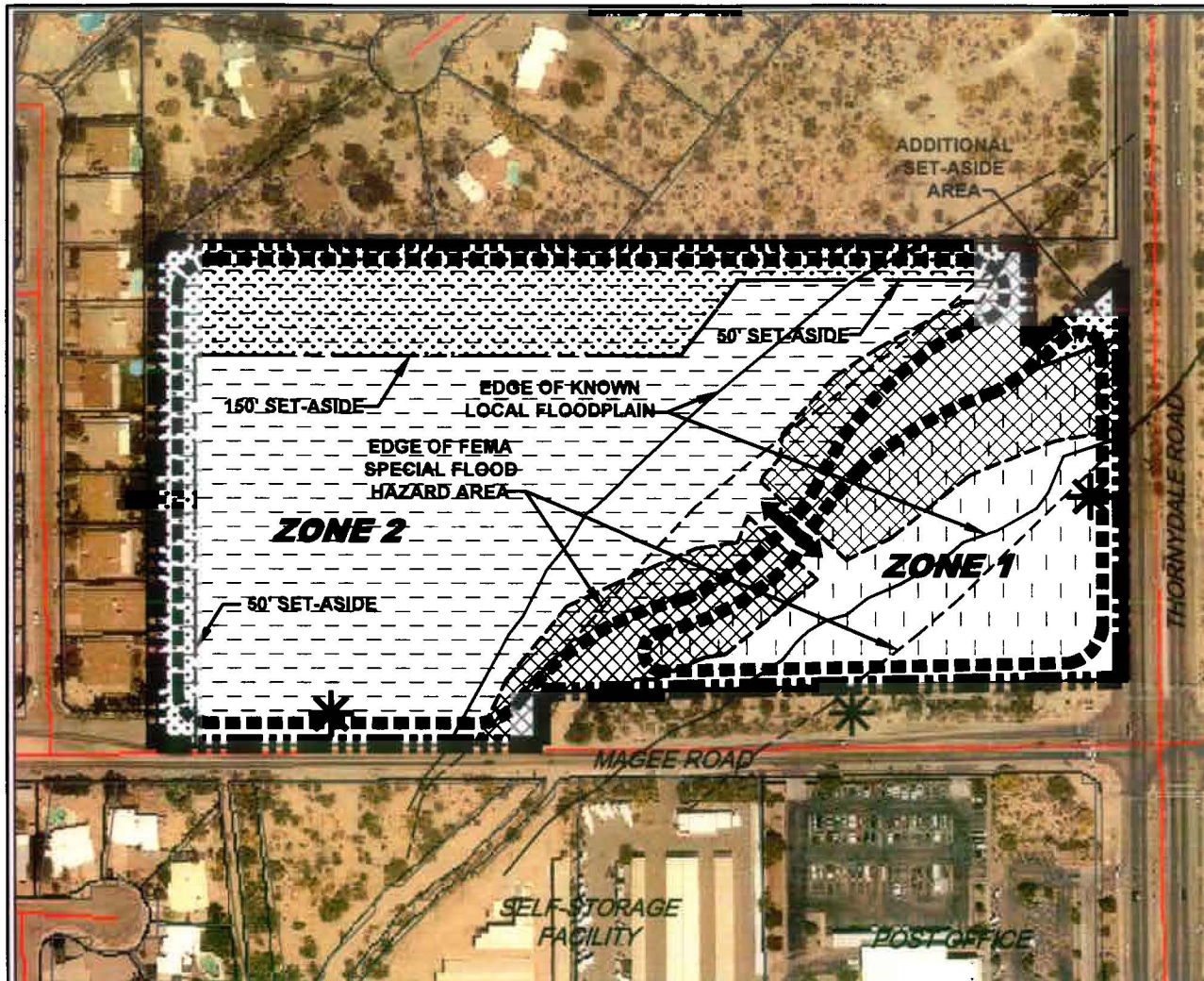
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(Ownership Entity: Pacific International Properties, LLP)
COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AMENDMENT REQUEST: LIU to MIU & NAC

FRAMEWORK PLAN

C07-13-04

Revised 2-3-14



NOTE:
Final delineation of regulatory floodplains
will occur at time of rezoning.

LEGEND

- Boundary of Subject Plan Amendment Request
- Limits of Xeroriparian "C" -- conservation measures to be established in site analysis during the rezoning process in coordination with the Pima County Regional Flood Control District (RFCD). See Note #4 below.
- Access to Public Street (Conceptual Location)
- Vehicular and Pedestrian Connection between Zones
- Additional Set-Aside Area

ZONE DESCRIPTIONS

Zone 1: Multi-Family Residential Component; Medium Intensity Urban (MIU) Designation. Area dedicated to higher-density, multi-family units or apartments. Final form and design to be detailed at the time of future rezoning and its accompanying Site Analysis.

Zone 2: Residential Component; Medium Intensity Urban (MIU) Designation. Area dedicated to the higher-density, single-family residential subdivision use (similar in type and density as that to the immediate west), clustered residential units, or single-family rental homes in a subdivision design framework.

GENERAL NOTES

1. Building heights, perimeter setbacks, and perimeter landscape buffers will achieve an appropriate transition to the established residential structures on adjacent developed properties to the west and the north.
2. New perimeter landscape borders along the Magee Road and Thornydale Road street frontages will utilize salvaged native-desert tree and shrub specimens so as to achieve a mature character as rapidly as possible.
3. Xeroriparian "C" corridor to be incorporated as an amenity element, with specific conservation measures to be detailed in the Site Analysis accompanying the future rezoning process.
4. Final design will incorporate Xeroriparian "C" drainage courses as natural to the greatest extent possible. Any modification and/or alteration to same will be done in conjunction with an approved riparian habitat mitigation plan in accordance with RFCD's "Regulated Riparian Habitat Mitigation Standards and Implementation Guidelines."
5. Conservation Lands System (CLS) mitigation to be accomplished on-site, off-site, or through a combination of the two in coordination with the Pima County Office of Sustainability & Conservation.

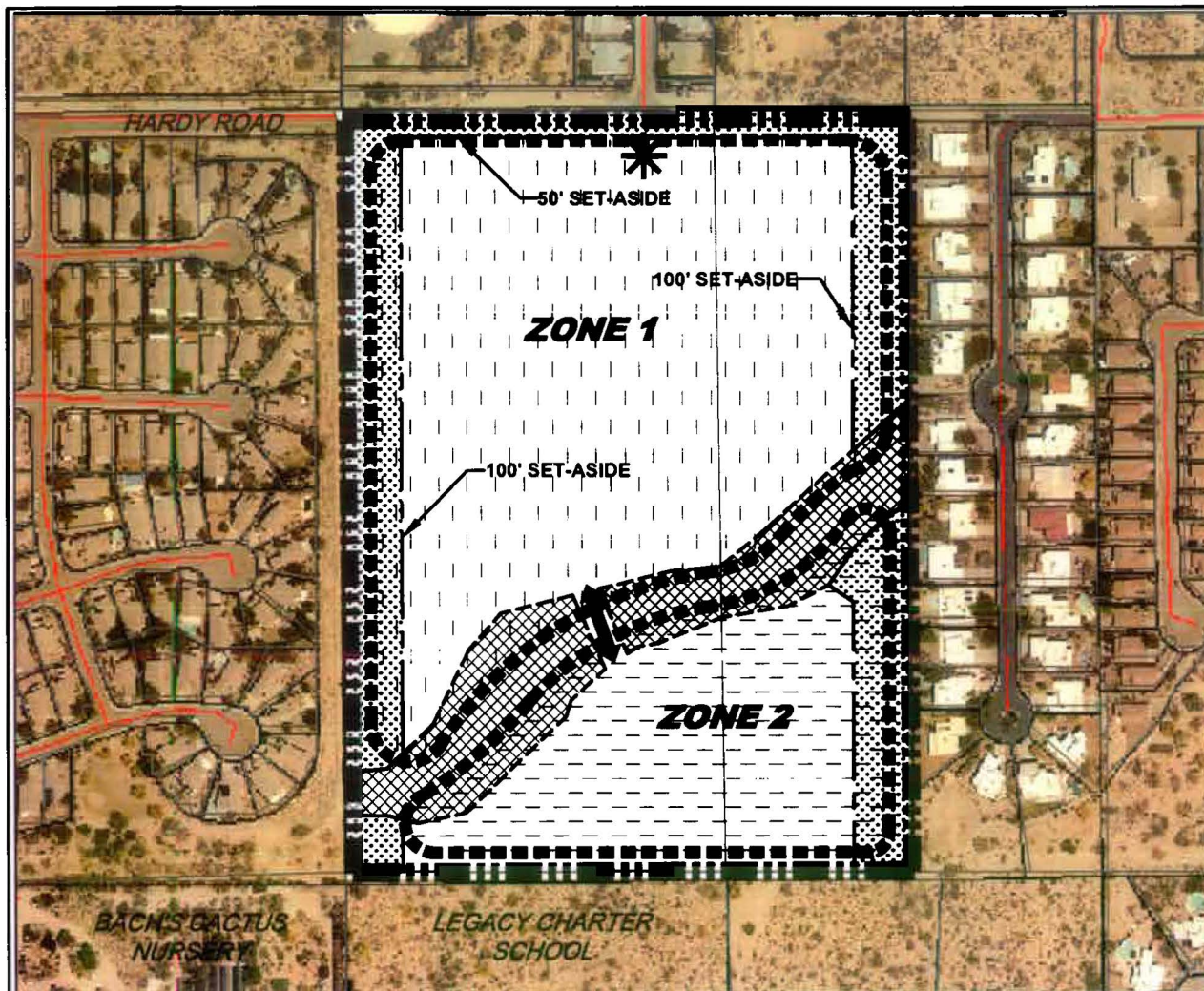
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FRAMEWORK PLAN
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NOTE:

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Boundary of Subject Plan
Amendment Request



Limits of Xeroriparian "C" -- conservation measures to be established in site analysis during the rezoning process in coordination with the Pima County Regional Flood Control District (RFCD). See Note #3 below.



Access to Public Street
(Conceptual Location)



Vehicular and Pedestrian Connection between Zones



Additional Set-Aside Area

ZONE DESCRIPTIONS

Zone 1: Primary Residential Component; Medium Intensity Urban (MIU) Designation.

Area dedicated to higher-density, single-family residential subdivision uses similar in type, density, and form of the existing residential subdivisions to the immediate west, east and north. Final form and design to be detailed at the time of future rezoning and accompanying Site Analysis.

Zone 2: Secondary Residential Component; Medium Intensity Urban (MIU) Designation.

Area dedicated to the same essential higher-density, single-family residential subdivision use as contained in Zone 1, but functioning as a separate, contiguous neighborhood located south of the existing Xeroriparian "C" corridor.

GENERAL NOTES

1. Building heights, perimeter setbacks, and perimeter landscape buffers will achieve an appropriate transition to established residential structures on adjacent developed properties.
2. Landscape borders along the Hardy Road street frontage and the east and west boundaries of the project will be comprised of the 50' and 100' wide set-asides as shown hereon. An exception is allowed for the project vehicular entry. These set-asides may be supplemented with salvaged native-desert tree and shrub specimens in those areas where the density of existing vegetation warrants it.
3. Final design will incorporate Xeroriparian "C" drainage courses as natural to the greatest extent possible. Any modification and/or alteration to same will be done in conjunction with an approved riparian habitat mitigation plan in accordance with RFCD's "Regulated Riparian Habitat Mitigation Standards and Implementation Guidelines."
4. Conservation Lands System (CLS) mitigation to be accomplished on-site, off-site, or through a combination of the two in coordination with the Pima County Office of Sustainability & Conservation.

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COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AMENDMENT REQUEST: LIU to MIU

FRAMEWORK PLAN

C07-13-06
Revised 2-3-14

Sign-In Sheet

Comprehensive Plan Neighborhood Meeting
Co7-13-03 – Lawrence C. Leung, Inc. – N. Thornydale Road
(Southeast Corner Thornydale Road @ Linda Vista Boulevard)

January 28, 2014 -- 6:30 PM to 8:00 PM

Tortolita Middle School (Cougar Café Cafeteria) --- 4101 W. Hardy Road

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JUDITH YODER	9465 N FLYNN WAY	579-8716	
Deslonde Lamb	9508 N. Flynn Way	441-9208	
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Sign-In Sheet

Comprehensive Plan Neighborhood Meeting
Co7-13-03 – Lawrence C. Leung, Inc. – N. Thornydale Road
(Southeast Corner Thornydale Road @ Linda Vista Boulevard)

January 28, 2014 -- 6:30 PM to 8:00 PM

Tortolita Middle School (Cougar Café Cafeteria) --- 4101 W. Hardy Road

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Bob Chester	"	"	
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**Comprehensive Plan Neighborhood Meeting
Co7-13-03 – Lawrence C. Leung, Inc. – N. Thornydale Road
(Southeast Corner Thornydale Road @ Linda Vista Boulevard)**

Tortolita Middle School (Cougar Café Cafeteria) --- 4101 W. Hardy Road[illegible]

**Comprehensive Plan Neighborhood Meeting
Co7-13-05 – Mandarin Associates – N. Thornydale Road
(Northwest Corner of Magee Road @ Thornydale Road)
February 3, 2014 -- 6:00 PM to 7:30 PM
Offices of Red Point Development --- 8710 N. Thornydale Road**

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Sign-In Sheet

Comprehensive Plan Neighborhood Meeting
Co7-13-06 – Hardy-Thornycroft Associates – W. Hardy Road
(On Hardy Road Approximately ¼ mile west of Thornycroft Road)

January 30, 2014 -- 6:30 PM to 8:00 PM

Tortolita Middle School (Cougar Café Cafeteria) --- 4101 W. Hardy Road

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