ZONING COMMITTEE STAFF REPORT

1. **FILE NAME:** Phalenview Real Estate LLC

FILE #: 16-060-576

2. APPLICANT: Phalenview Real Estate LLC

HEARING DATE: August 11, 2016

3. TYPE OF APPLICATION: Rezoning

4. LOCATION: 419 Whitall St, between Clark and Arkwright

5. **PIN & LEGAL DESCRIPTION:** 292922320195; Edmund Rices First Addition Lot 12 Blk 7 Edmund Rice's Fourth Addition And In Sd Edmund Rice's First Addition Lots 2.3 & 4 Blk 6

6. PLANNING DISTRICT: 5

EXISTING ZONING: RT1

7. **ZONING CODE REFERENCE:** §61.801(b)

8. **STAFF REPORT DATE:** August 3, 2016

BY: Courtney Overby

9. **DATE RECEIVED:** July 21, 2016

60-DAY DEADLINE FOR ACTION: September 19, 2016

A. PURPOSE: Rezone from RT1 two-family residential to RM2 multiple-family residential.

B. **PARCEL SIZE:** 26,136 s.f.

C. **EXISTING LAND USE:** Vacant

- D. **SURROUNDING LAND USE:** Single-family, duplex, and multiple-family residential (RT1) to the north and east; medical office campus (I1) to the south across Whitall Street
- E. **ZONING CODE CITATION:** §61.801(b) provides for changes to the zoning of property initiated by the property owner.
- F. **HISTORY/DISCUSSION:** There is no zoning history specific to the parcel. According to the applicant, the subject parcel was split off from the single-family residence to the east a few years ago. Sometime after 1975, the site was rezoned from RM2 to RT1 as part of a larger rezoning along the Phalen Corridor.
- G. **DISTRICT COUNCIL RECOMMENDATION:** As of this writing District 5 has not provided a recommendation.

H. FINDINGS:

- 1. The proposal is to rezone from RT1 Two-Family Residential to RM2 Multiple-Family Residential to allow for development of multi-family housing on a vacant lot.
- 2. The proposed zoning is consistent with the way this area has developed. The lot has been undeveloped at least since 1975. It is surrounded by residential uses to the north, and the more intense, more recent development along Phalen Boulevard to the south.
- 3. The proposed zoning is consistent with the Comprehensive Plan and is compatible with the Phalen Corridor Development Strategy residential strategy of "constructing new homes with neighborhood compatible designs on infill lots throughout the area" and "develop new medium density sites".
- 4. The proposed zoning is consistent with the surrounding uses, including a mix of single-family, duplex, and multi-family residential to the north, and the medical office campus to the south.
- 5. Court rulings have determined that "spot zoning" is illegal in Minnesota. Minnesota courts have stated that this term "applies to zoning changes, typically limited to small plots of land, which establish a use classification inconsistent with the surrounding uses and create an island of nonconforming use within a larger zoned property." The

proposed rezoning to RM2 is not spot zoning. RM2 allows residential uses that are consistent with the surrounding residential uses to the north as well as the more intense medical office campus to the south.

I. **STAFF RECOMMENDATION:** Based on the above findings, staff recommends approval of the rezoning of 419 Whitall Street from RT1 to RM2.

PETITION TO AMEND THE ZONING CODE

Department of Planning and Economic Development Zoning Section 1400 City Hall Annex 25 West Fourth Street Saint Paul, MN 55102-1634 (651) 266-6589

Fee:

Tentative Hearing Date:

Zoning Office Use Only

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Property Owner(s) Phalenview Real Estate, LLC				
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Contact Person Gerald E. Frisch	Phone 651.690.1591			
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(Attach additional sheet if necessary to include all of the owners of at least 67% of the area of the property to be rezoned.)				

PROPERTY LOCATION

Address/Location 419 Whitall St Legal Description Lots 2, 3 & 4, Block 6, Edmund Rice's 1st Addition and Lot 12, Block 7, Edmund Current Zoning _RM1 RT1 n (Attachsadditional sheat if necessary.) Rice's 4th Addition

TO THE HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL:
Pursuant to Saint Paul Zoning Ordinance § 61.801 and Minnesota Statues § 462.357, Phalenview Real Estate, LLC
owner(s) of land proposed for rezoning, hereby petition(s) to rezone the above described property from a
CK 5989
(Attach additional sheets if necessary.)
Attachments as required: Site Plan Consent Petition Affidavit

Subscribed and sworn to before me

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JON M. JANNETTO Notary Public-Minnesota My Commission Expires Jan 31, 2020 Phalenview Real Estate, LLC

Title: Managing Member

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FILE NAME: Phalenview Real Estate

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Subject Parcels

APPLICATION TYPE: Rezone

FILE #: 16-060576 DATE: 7/21/2016

PLANNING DISTRICT: 5

ZONING PANEL: 10

Saint Paul Department of Planning and Economic Development and Ramsey County





