DOCKET #: F1510

PROPOSED ZONING:
RM18-S

EXISTING ZONING:
RM8-S & HB-S

PETITIONER:
Keystone Group Inc
for property owned by Same

SCALE: 1" represents 500'

STAFF: Roberts

GMA: 3

ACRES: 14.01

NEAREST BLDG: 50' west

MAP(S): 654830

Printed: 1/13/2009
February 25, 2009

Keystone Group, Inc.
c/o W. Scott Wallace, President
3708 Alliance Drive
Greensboro, NC  27407

RE:  ZONING MAP AMENDMENT F-1510

Dear Mr. Wallace:

The attached report of the Planning Board to the Forsyth County Board of Commissioners is sent to you at the request of the Commissioners.

When the rezoning is scheduled for public hearing, you will be notified by the Clerk to the County Commissioners, of the date on which the Commissioners will hear this petition.

Sincerely,

A. Paul Norby, FAICP
Director of Planning

Attachment

pc:  County Manager's Office
    Robert Everhart, 4423 Thomasville Road, Winston-Salem, NC  27107
    Frankie Everhart, 4409 Thomasville Road, Winston-Salem, NC  27107
    Susan Pinkston, 4745 Rex Road, Winston-Salem, NC  27107
SUBJECT:-

A. Public Hearing on zoning map amendment of Keystone Group, Inc. from RM-8-S (Residential Building, Townhouse) & HB-S [ABC Store; Arts & Crafts Studio; Building Materials Supply; Convenience Store; Food or Drug Store; Furniture & Home Furnishings Store; General Merchandise Store; Hardware Store; Implement Sales & Service; Motorcycle Dealer; Nursery, Lawn & Garden Supply Store, Retail; Outdoor Display Retail; Restaurant (without drive-through service); Restaurant (with drive-through service); Retail Store, Specialty or Miscellaneous; Shopping Center; Banking & Financial Services; Building Contractors, General; Car Wash; Funeral Home; Health Services, Misc.; Kennel; Medical or Dental Lab; Medical & Surgical Offices; Motor Vehicle, Rental & Leasing; Motor Vehicle, Repair & Maintenance; Non-Store Retailer; Offices, Miscellaneous; Professional Office; Services, Business A; Services, Business B; Services, Personal; Storage Services, Retail; Testing & Research Lab; Veterinary Services; Warehousing; Recreation Services, Indoor; Recreation Services, Outdoor; Theater, Indoor; Adult Day Care Center; Child Day Care Center; Church or Religious Institution, Community; Church or Religious Institution, Neighborhood; Club or Lodge; Government Offices; Habilitation Facility C; Hospital or Health Center; Library, Public; Museum or Art Gallery; Police or Fire Station; Post Office; School, Vocational or Professional; Broadcast Studio; Transmission Tower; and Utilities - TWO PHASE] to RM-18-S (Residential Building, Multifamily): property is located on the south side of Thomasville Road, between Rex Road and the Davidson County line (Zoning Docket F-1510).

B. Ordinance amending the Forsyth County Zoning Ordinance and Official Zoning Map of the County of Forsyth, North Carolina.

C. Approval of Special Use District Permit

D. Approval of Site Plan

COUNTY MANAGER'S RECOMMENDATION OR COMMENTS:-

- CONTINUED ON NEXT PAGE -
SUMMARY OF INFORMATION:-

See attached staff report.

After consideration, the Planning Board recommended approval of the rezoning petition.

ATTACHMENTS:-  X YES ___ NO

SIGNATURE: ______________________________ DATE: ________________

County Manager
COUNTY ORDINANCE - SPECIAL USE

Zoning Petition of Keystone Group, Inc., Docket F-1510

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING
THE FORSYTH COUNTY
ZONING ORDINANCE AND THE
OFFICIAL ZONING MAP OF
THE COUNTY OF FORSYTH,
NORTH CAROLINA

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BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Forsyth as follows:

Section 1. The Zoning Ordinance of the Unified Development Ordinances of the County of Forsyth, North Carolina, and the Official Zoning Map of the County of Forsyth, North Carolina, are hereby amended by changing from RM-8-S (Residential Building, Townhouse) & HB-S [ABC Store; Arts & Crafts Studio; Building Materials Supply; Convenience Store; Food or Drug Store; Furniture & Home Furnishings Store; General Merchandise Store; Hardware Store; Implement Sales & Service; Motorcycle Dealer; Nursery, Lawn & Garden Supply Store, Retail; Outdoor Display Retail; Restaurant (without drive-through service); Restaurant (with drive-through service); Retail Store, Specialty or Miscellaneous; Shopping Center; Banking & Financial Services; Building Contractors, General; Car Wash; Funeral Home; Health Services, Misc.; Kennel; Medical or Dental Lab; Medical & Surgical Offices; Motor Vehicle, Rental & Leasing; Motor Vehicle, Repair & Maintenance; Non-Store Retailer; Offices, Miscellaneous; Professional Office; Services, Business A; Services, Business B; Services, Personal; Storage Services, Retail; Testing & Research Lab; Veterinary Services; Warehousing; Recreation Services, Indoor; Recreation Services, Outdoor; Theater, Indoor; Adult Day Care Center; Child Day Care Center; Church or Religious Institution, Community; Church or Religious Institution, Neighborhood; Club or Lodge; Government Offices; Habilitation Facility C; Hospital or Health Center; Library, Public; Museum or Art Gallery; Police or Fire Station; Post Office; School,
Vocational or Professional; Broadcast Studio; Transmission Tower; and Utilities - TWO PHASE] to RM-18-S (Residential Building, Multifamily) the zoning classification of the following described property:

PIN #6853-51-5027

Section 2. This Ordinance is adopted after approval of the site plan entitled Wallburg Landing Apartment Homes, and identified as Attachment A of the Special Use District Permit issued by the Forsyth County Board of Commissioners the _____ day of ________________, 20____ to Keystone Group, Inc.

Section 3. The Board of Commissioners hereby directs the issuance of a Special Use District Permit pursuant to the Zoning Ordinance of the Unified Development Ordinances for a development to be known as Wallburg Landing Apartment Homes. Said Special Use District Permit and site plan with associated documents are attached hereto and incorporated herein.

Section 4. This Ordinance shall be effective from and after its adoption.
The Forsyth County Board of Commissioners issues a Special Use District Permit for the site shown on the site plan map included in this zoning petition of Keystone Group, Inc. (Zoning Docket F-1510). The site shall be developed in accordance with the plan approved by the Board and bearing the inscription: "Attachment A, Special Use District Permit for RM-18-S (Residential Building, Multifamily), approved by the Forsyth County Board of Commissioners the ____ day of ________________, 20 ____" and signed, provided the property is developed in accordance with requirements of the RM-18-S zoning district of the Zoning Ordinance of the Unified Development Ordinances of the County Code, the Erosion Control Ordinance, and other applicable laws, and the following conditions be met:

- **PRIOR TO THE ISSUANCE OF ANY PERMITS:**
  a. Developer shall obtain all necessary permits from the NC Division of the Environment and Natural Resources (DENR).

- **PRIOR TO THE ISSUANCE OF GRADING PERMITS:**
  a. Developer shall obtain a driveway permit from NCDOT; additional improvements may be required prior to issuance of driveway permit.

- **PRIOR TO THE ISSUANCE OF BUILDING PERMITS:**
  a. Developer shall record a final plat in the office of the Register of Deeds. Final plat shall show tentative building locations for the multifamily buildings and all access and utility easements.
  b. The proposed buildings shall be in substantial conformance with the submitted elevations labeled “Exhibit A” as verified by planning staff.

- **PRIOR TO THE ISSUANCE OF OCCUPANCY PERMITS:**
  a. All required improvements of the NCDOT driveway permit shall be completed.
  b. Developer shall install a 30’ Type III bufferyard rather than a 30’ Type II bufferyard, as shown on site plan, along the western property line wherever any grading encroaches into the 50’ building setback area.
c. As volunteered by the petitioner, the site shall have a cobblestone entrance, as shown in supplemental information package titled “Wallburg Landing Apartments.”

- **OTHER REQUIREMENTS:**
  a. As volunteered by the petitioner, proposed signage shall be of brick construction, consistent with signage shown in supplemental information package titled “Wallburg Landing Apartments.”
## CITY-COUNTY PLANNING BOARD
### STAFF REPORT

### PETITION INFORMATION

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**Proposal**

The petitioner is requesting to amend the Official Zoning Maps for the subject property from RM-8-S Residential, Multifamily District; 8 units per acre maximum density (Residential Building, Townhouse) and HB-S Highway Business District [ABC Store (liquor); Arts & Crafts Studio; Building Materials Supply; Convenience Store; Food or Drug Store; Furniture & Home Furnishings Store; General Merchandise Store; Hardware Store; Implement Sales & Service; Motorcycle Dealer; Nursery, Lawn & Garden Supply Store, Retail; Outdoor Display Retail; Restaurant (without drive-through service); Restaurant (with drive-through service); Retail Store, Specialty or Miscellaneous; Shopping Center; Banking & Financial Services; Building Contractors, General; Car Wash; Funeral Home; Health Services, Misc.; Kennel; Medical or Dental Lab; Medical & Surgical Offices; Motor Vehicle, Rental & Leasing; Motor Vehicle, Repair & Maintenance; Non-Store Retailer; Offices, Miscellaneous; Professional Office; Services, Business A; Services, Business B; Services, Personal; Storage Services, Retail; Testing & Research Lab; Veterinary Services; Warehousing; Recreation Services, Indoor; Recreation Services, Outdoor; Theater, Indoor; Adult Day Care Center; Child Day Care Center; Church or Religious Institution, Community; Church or Religious Institution, Neighborhood; Club or Lodge; Government Offices; Habilitation Facility C; Hospital or Health Center; Library, Public; Museum or Art Gallery; Police or Fire Station; Post Office; School, Vocational or Professional; Broadcast Studio; Transmission Tower; and Utilities - TWO PHASE] to RM-18-S Residential, Multifamily District; 18 units per acre maximum density.

The petitioner is requesting the following uses:
- Residential Building, Multifamily

**Zoning District Purpose Statement**

The RM-18 District is primarily intended to accommodate multifamily uses at a maximum overall density of eighteen (18) units per acre. This district is appropriate for Growth Management Areas 1 and 2, and may be suitable for Growth Management Area 3 and Metro Activity Centers where public facilities, including public water and sewer, public roads, parks, and other governmental support services, are available and the site has direct access to a minor or major thoroughfare.
**Applicable Rezoning Consideration from Chapter B, Article VI, Section 6-2.1(S)**

(S)(1) - Is the proposal consistent with the purpose statement(s) of the requested zoning district(s)?

Yes, the site is located in GMA 3 and has direct access onto Thomasville Road, which is a major thoroughfare.

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**GENERAL SITE INFORMATION**

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<th>Location</th>
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<td>Site Acreage</td>
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<td>Single family homes and undeveloped property</td>
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**Applicable Rezoning Consideration from Chapter B, Article VI, Section 6-2.1(S)**

(S)(2) - Is/are the use(s) permitted under the proposed classification/request compatible with uses permitted on other properties in the vicinity?

With some additional screening along the northern and western line the proposed three story residential buildings will be compatible with the surrounding land uses.

**Physical Characteristics**

The site is partially wooded and has a moderate slope downward to the mid western portion of the site.

**Proximity to Water and Sewer**

Forsyth County public water and sewer service are available.

**Stormwater/Drainage**

The developer will need to obtain NC Water Quality approval for stormwater.

**Watershed and Overlay Districts**

The site is not within a water supply watershed.

**Analysis of General Site Information**

The site appears to possess no development constraints and is suitable for the proposed improvements.

**Generalized Recommended Conditions**

**BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF CONDITION(S):**

- Stormwater condition
### SITE ACCESS AND TRANSPORTATION INFORMATION

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<th>Street Name</th>
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<td>Major Thoroughfare</td>
<td>959’</td>
<td>10,000</td>
<td>16,100</td>
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<tr>
<td>Wallburg Landing Drive</td>
<td>Private street</td>
<td>25’</td>
<td>NA</td>
<td>NA</td>
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<td>Overline Drive</td>
<td>Private street</td>
<td>160’</td>
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**Proposed Access Point(s)**
Main entrance onto Thomasville Road and secondary connection to Wallburg Landing Drive at its intersection with Overline Drive.

**Planned Road Improvements**
The *Winston-Salem Urban Area Fiscally Constrained Transportation Plan 2004-2030* indicates that Thomasville Road (NC Highway 109) be widened from 2-lanes to a 4-lane divided facility with widened outside lanes, curb and gutter and sidewalks, though a final location for the road has not been determined.

**Trip Generation - Existing/Proposed**

- **Existing Zoning:** RM-8-S & HB-S
  56 units x 6.59 (Multifamily Trip Rate) = 369 Trips per Day + approximately 4.5 acres of HB-S TWO PHASE zoned outparcel properties. Because there is no site plan associated with said TWO PHASE parcels, accurate trip rates cannot be determined. However, the approved uses include high trip generating commercial uses such as: Convenience Store; Shopping Center; Banking & Financial Services; and Restaurant (with drive-through service).

- **Proposed Zoning:** RM-18-S
  240 units x 6.59 (Multifamily Trip Rate) = 1,582 Trips per Day

**Sidewalks**
The site plan illustrates good internal pedestrian connectivity. Staff recommends the connection of a few missing links.

**Transit**
Not available

**Connectivity**
The approved site plan for the site includes a vehicular connection to the HB-S zoned site to the northwest which extends to Rex Road. The proposed site plan does not include this connection. Staff recommends the inclusion of this connection or at a minimum a pedestrian connection to said adjacent parcel.

**Traffic Impact Study (TIS)**
Not required

**Analysis of Site Access and Transportation Information**
Access to the site is adequate; staff recommends an additional vehicular and/or pedestrian connection to the adjacent HB-S zoned site to the northwest as noted above. As is noted above, accurate trip generation numbers for the existing HB-S TWO PHASE portion of the site cannot be determined. However, based upon the acreage and permitted uses of this portion of the site, the potential trip generation of the existing zoning could easily exceed that of the proposed multifamily development.

**Generalized Recommended Conditions**

- Obtain driveway permit from NCDOT
SCHOOL DISTRICT INFORMATION

School capacity data has been requested of the school system.

CONFORMITY TO PLANS AND PLANNING ISSUES

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<th>Legacy GMA</th>
<th>Growth Management Plan Area 3, Suburban Neighborhoods</th>
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| Relevant Legacy Recommendations | • **Density:** One of the goals of the Growth Management Plan is to increase the intensity of development in the urban areas of Forsyth County where there is already a large public investment in roads, sewers and other infrastructure. This reduces pressure for development to sprawl into the rural areas of the County. (p. 38)  
• **Density:** Encourage higher development densities and mixed use development within the Municipal Services Area. (p. 35)  
• **Mixed Use:** Encourage new and revitalized neighborhoods that offer a variety of quality housing types, convenience to services and shopping, and foster a strong sense of community. (p. 120) |
| Relevant Area Plan(s) | The site is not within the boundaries of an area plan or development guide. |
| Other Applicable Plans and Planning Issues | The Town of Wallburg and Davidson County are supportive of the request. |
| Applicable Rezoning Consideration from Chapter B, Article VI, Section 6-2.1(S) |  |
| Analysis of Conformity to Plans and Planning Issues | The subject request is to rezone 14 acres from RM8-S and HB-S TWO PHASE to RM18-S for 240 multifamily residential units. Approximately 7.8 acres is currently zoned RM8-S for 56 townhouse units and 6.23 acres (including street rights-of-way) is zoned HB-S TWO PHASE. Directly south of the site is a shopping center with grocery store. Placing higher density housing in convenient proximity to services and shopping is consistent with the recommendations of Legacy. The site is not within the boundaries of an area plan or development guide. Planning staff recommends the provision of an enhanced landscaping treatment along Thomasville Road and to label existing vegetation to remain along the western property line. |

RELEVANT ZONING HISTORIES

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<td>AG to HB-S &amp; RM8-S</td>
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### SITE PLAN COMPLIANCE WITH UDO REQUIREMENTS

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<td>3,000 sf clubhouse</td>
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<td>240 multifamily units on 14.01 acres = 17.13 units per acre</td>
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<td>80%</td>
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### UDO Sections Relevant to Subject Request
- Chapter B, Article II, Section 2-5.64 Residential Building, Multifamily use conditions, F
- (A) Legacy policies: Yes
- (B) Environmental Ord.: NA
- (C) Subdivision Regulations: NA

### Analysis of Site Plan Compliance with UDO Requirements
The revised site plan complies with the requirements of the UDO.

### CONCLUSIONS TO ASSIST WITH RECOMMENDATION

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<td>Request will provide higher density housing in close proximity to shopping and services.</td>
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### SITE-SPECIFIC RECOMMENDED CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL
The following proposed conditions are from interdepartmental review comments and are proposed in order to meet codes or established standards, or to reduce negative off-site impacts.

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**STAFF RECOMMENDATION: Approval**

**NOTE:** These are staff comments only; final recommendations on projects are made by the City-County Planning Board, with final decisions being made by the appropriate Elected Body, who may approve, deny, table or request modification for any project. THE APPLICANT OR REPRESENTATIVE IS STRONGLY ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND THE PUBLIC HEARINGS WHERE THE CASE WILL BE CONSIDERED BY THE PLANNING BOARD AND THE ELECTED BODY.

Gary Roberts presented the staff report.

**PUBLIC HEARING**

FOR:

Scott Wallace, 3708 Alliance Drive, Greensboro, NC 27407

- For the past several months we have been working with staff to develop a comprehensive site plan that meets the requirements of the development ordinance, the vision of Legacy, and the needs of the community.
- We are here today to request that the property be rezoned to allow for the construction of a high quality apartment home community.
- The site consists of approximately 14 acres. Approximately 6.2 acres are HB-S and 7.8 acres are currently RM-8-S. We are requesting to rezone to RM-18-S.
- Last Wednesday evening we had an informal meeting with our adjoining neighbors to present and discuss the tentative site plan, review the proposed building elevation, and introduce the features of this development. We had 11 neighbors visit with us. After
discussion, our neighbors voiced several concerns. There were primarily four areas of concern: Traffic, quality of life, crime, and property values. We discussed these concerns Wednesday night, however I'd like to take a little bit of time to discuss those further.

- Submitted and discussed a booklet of information and photographs supporting his position.
- Our desire is to have an attractive, safe and high quality neighborhood which will enhance the neighborhood and be an asset to the community.

AGAINST:

Robert Everhart, 4423 Thomasville Road, Winston-Salem, NC  27107

- The best thing to do is start off with some things I've heard since I've been here.
- I'm representing my neighbors who asked me to do this.
- When staff gets together with the construction people, please include the neighbors because we don't know what's going on.
- I heard great intentions for the property. Good intentions pave the road to a very hot place.
- The Keystone group is sometimes referred to as Wallburg Landing. Wallburg is a Davidson County township.
- This area is the Broadbay Township. This is the first indicator that our community is not a concern of Keystone's.
- In 2001, most of us didn't oppose Keystone's request for townhouses from AG at eight units/acre. Now we feel betrayed.
- This proposal will have a much greater negative impact on our neighborhood and will greatly increase traffic on an already burdened Thomasville Road.
- Approving this request will greatly change the nature of our neighborhood as well as reduce home prices. Such a reduction will impact tax rates.
- Keystone now wants our community to accept another change to 18 units/acre which will increase the number of units to five times what was previously approved for the property.
- Since 2001, nine of 70 proposed homes were completed. They were built in 2008 and nine others are only slab foundations. It took seven years to build nine units.
- We do not know why Keystone waited so long to develop the property under the 8 unit code.
- That slow progress is a concern since that was while the housing market was booming.
- Keystone chose to start building in a market that does not support property values, sales, or rentals.
- Our community has been patient.
- Banks frown on home mortgages if there are greater numbers of rental units nearby.
- Townhomes would be owner-occupied. This would mean that units would be governed by a homeowners association. There would be less traffic. One and two-story townhomes would be more compatible with surrounding one-story homes.
- We feel this proposal would have a negative effect on our neighborhood.
- There are additional policing expenses in more densely populated areas.
• There is more noise and more lighting.
• There is little room for children and teenagers to play so they will find other areas and lawns for recreation.
• We would rather have the areas zoned HB developed than these large apartments.
• This property is located in Forsyth County and we would like to know why it would make any difference to the Town of Wallburg or Davidson County as stated in the staff report.
• What has changed in the circumstances that staff would change their recommendation when they recommended denial for the last request?
• We respectfully request denial of this request.

Frankie Everhart, 4409 Thomasville Road, Winston-Salem, NC  27107
• Traffic in that area now is hazardous.
• You bring in 300 more cars there and it's just going to make it worse.
• There have been several accidents in this immediate area.
• The property value will not go up. These people are not concerned with our property value at all.

Susan Pinkston, 4745 Rex Road, Winston-Salem, NC  27107
• Regarding water runoff, how much will this be researched and at what point will the decision be made about how this will be handled?

In response, Gary Roberts noted that the site is in Forsyth County which does not have storm water management requirements like the City of Winston-Salem does. However, there is a condition that the petitioner would have to get a permit from the NC Water Quality Division for Storm Water Approval. They are showing a storm water management pond across from your property. It is about 50 feet off the property line and is the lowest portion of the site.

Scott Wallace: Within that permit process, our professional engineer will do a pre-development and a post-development evaluation. It's our responsibility not to increase the runoff from pre-development to post-development. The storm water pond will be built to retain the storm water and disperse it at a rate which will not impact your property.

WORK SESSION

During discussion by the Planning Board, the following points were made:

1. In response to a question from Chairman King, the petitioner indicated that the photographs shown are representative of projects already built by the company. However, they contain many of the features which will be present in this project. The petitioner offered building design, building materials, landscaping, trees in bufferyards, window veneer, accent brick around windows, cobblestone entrances as design elements to be added to the site plan.
2. In response to a question from the Planning Board, Robert Everhart stated that he didn't have a petition, just a request from his neighbors to represent them.

3. Lynne Mitchell: Thank you to everyone who came out today to speak. There's so many things I like about this. Our job is to look to the future and try to create a community that's good for everybody. One thing I really like about it is the increased density. That's something really important. I like having the sidewalks in there for the walkability and people can actually walk to the local grocery store. When you talk about future growth, this makes sense to me. I think we have a misconception that people who live in apartments are different than people who live in houses. People are people. I'm going to support this because I believe it's a good development and good for the community.

4. Wesley Curtis: Based on NCDOT's review, this road is under capacity now, correct? Gary Roberts noted that it was under capacity now at level of service D. NCDOT is also requiring a left and right turn lane which the revised site plan does show.

5. Jerry Clark: There's another myth that everyone in apartment complexes tries to leave at the same time. That's not the case. I will be supporting this petition.

6. Carol Eickmeyer: I will be supporting this also. Looking ahead, to the developer, even though there are no storm water requirements in the County, it would be a good thing for some of your future developments to consider some alternatives to non permeable surfaces. There are already a lot of things that you've done like landscaping your swales and it would be important to continue doing those things because storm water is a problem. My greatest concern with a development like this is what happens to the runoff. My second greatest concern is for people who live on Thomasville Road and suddenly see an increase in traffic. However, those concerns are balanced here by the density and the walkability of the development.

7. Paul Norby clarified that although Forsyth County does not have it’s own adopted storm water requirements, the state does and the developer would be required to conform to those requirements.

MOTION: Clarence Lambe moved approval of the zoning map amendment, certified that the site plan meets all code requirements and recommends staff conditions.
SECOND: Paul Mullican
VOTE:
FOR: Jerry Clark, Wesley Curtis, Carol Eickmeyer, Arnold King, Arthur King, Clarence Lambe, Lynne Mitchell, Paul Mullican, Brenda Smith
AGAINST: None
EXCUSED: None
According to information furnished by the Office of the Tax Assessor on February 10, 2009, the subject property was in the name of Keystone Group, Inc.

A. Paul Norby, FAICP
Director of Planning