Impact Assessment Statement

A. Land and Neighborhood Characteristics: to assess the compatibility of the requested land use district with the adjacent property and to evaluate the suitability of the site for development, the applicant shall:

1. Show how and why is the site suitable for the proposed uses;

The applicant is requesting a Small Scale Comprehensive Plan Map Amendment to change the future land use designation from Town Center- X (TCX) to Employment Center-X (ECX) on approximately 5.5 acres of property. See attached exhibits included with the application. The Property Owner and Applicants have developed or are developing a number of uses on the property, including a fast casual restaurant with drive thru and proposing similar uses on the balance of the site. The proposed change reflects the fact the property has never developed in conjunction with the primary node of the Town Center. Moreover, the property is not of sufficient size or shape to take advantage of the TCX uses. As a result, the requested change will maintain the ability to develop with uses supporting and complementary to the larger TCX area.

2. Provide a site plan showing each type of existing and proposed land use;

See attached Future Land Use Map.

3. Describe any incompatibility and special efforts needed to minimize the differences in the proposed use with adjacent uses;

Please see narrative provided above. With the location of the project along US Hwy 98, the site specific landscaping and buffering required by the Polk County Land Development Code adequately ensures that the proposed request is compatible with adjacent uses and entitlements in the area. The Applicant will take any and all reasonable and necessary steps to minimize impacts to the properties surrounding the requested land use map amendment.

4. Explain how the requested district may influence future development patterns if the proposed change is located in an area presently undeveloped;

The proposed change does not introduce a new activity in the area and is consistent and supportive of the future development pattern. The proposed land use change is an incremental expansion of the existing business park activity, north of the site. This proposed request maximizes the opportunity to utilize the existing rail line and the existing infrastructure in place.

- 5. Describe each of the uses proposed in a Planned Development and identify the following:
 - a. The density and types of residential dwelling units;
 - b. The type of commercial and industrial uses;
 - c. The approximate customer service area for commercial uses;
 - d. The total area proposed for each type of use, including open space and recreation

The Property is not within a Planned Development. Any development of the Property would be consistent with the Polk County Land Development Code, the Polk County Comprehensive Plan, and proposed site specific development criteria.

- B. Access to Roads and Highways: to assess the impact of the proposed development on the existing, planned and programmed road system, the applicant shall:
- 1. Calculate the number of vehicle trips to be generated daily and at PM peak hour based on the latest ITE or provide a detailed methodology and calculations;

Traffic counts and road impacts will be addressed at Level 2 once a specific site plan is established.

2. Indicate what modifications to the present transportation system will be required as a result of the proposed development;

The Property will utilize the ingress/egress only from Bella Vista Street. It is anticipated minor transportation improvements will be required for ingress/egress of the site. The specific intersection types will be fully addressed at Level 2.

3. List the total number of parking spaces and describe the type of parking facilities to be provided in the proposed development;

The proposed development shall provide the requisite number of parking spaces required by the Polk County Land Development Code, which will be determined at Level 2 based on the actual square footages of the buildings constructed.

4. Indicate the proposed methods of access to the existing public roads (e.g., direct frontage, intersecting streets, frontage roads); and

The property has frontage on US Hwy 98, Clubhouse Road, and 3rd Street SE. Ingress and Egress will be designed to move traffic to the existing signalized intersection. It is anticipated minor transportation improvements will be required for ingress/egress of the site. The specific intersection types will be will be fully addressed at Level 2.

5. Indicate the modes of transportation, other than the automobile, that have been considered (e.g., pedestrian, bicycle, bus, train or air) and describe the modes.

The site has access to the Fort Frasier Trail and pedestrian access will be further evaluated at Level 2.

- C. Sewage: to determine the impact caused by sewage generated from the proposed development, the applicant shall:
- 1. Calculate the amount of sewage in gallons per day (GPD) expected to be generated by the proposed development;

Based on theoretical development potential of the property as TCX, we do not anticipate any change in sewage generation as a result of the change to ECX.

2. Describe the proposed method and level of treatment, and the method of effluent disposal for the proposed sewage treatment facilities if on-site treatment is proposed;

The Property will connect to existing public utilities from City of Lakeland.

3. Indicate the relationship of the proposed sewage system to Polk County's plans and policies for sewage treatment systems;

Any proposed system will be designed in conjunction with the applicable utility department and the appropriate standards.

4. Identify the service provider; and

The Property will connect to existing public utilities from City of Lakeland.

5. Indicate the current provider's capacity and anticipated date of connection.

Capacity and the date of connection will be more fully understood and addressed at Level 2.

- D. Water Supply: to determine the amount of water to be used, how it will be distributed, and the impact on the surrounding area, the applicant shall:
- 1. Indicate the proposed source of water supply and, the type of treatment;

The Property will connect to existing public utilities from City of Lakeland.

2. Identify the service provider;

The Property will connect to existing public utilities from City of Lakeland.

3. Calculate the estimated volume of consumption in gallons per day (GPD); and

Based on theoretical development potential of the property as TCX, we do not anticipate any change in potable water consumption as a result of the change to ECX.

4. Indicate the current provider's capacity and anticipated date of connection

Capacity and the date of connection will be more fully understood and addressed at Level 2.

- E. Surface Water Management and Drainage: to determine the impact of drainage on the groundwater and surface water quality and quantity caused by the proposed development, the applicant shall:
- 1. Discuss the impact the proposed development will have on surface water quality;

The stormwater management system for the project site will be designed to meet regulatory requirements that will ensure adequate BMPs are instituted. The property does not have any areas of concern and surface water quality will not be negatively impacted by the development.

2. Describe the alteration to the sites natural drainage features, including wetland, that would be necessary to develop the project;

There are no state or federal jurisdictional wetlands or surface water features located within the project site.

3. Describe the impact of such alterations on the fish and wildlife resources of the site;

Based on the available GIS information, there are no state or federally jurisdictional wetland or surface water features or other bodies of open water identified within the project site. No significant impact to existing wildlife resources is anticipated from the project.

4. Describe local aquifer recharge and groundwater conditions and discuss the changes to these water supplies which would result from development of the site.

No change is anticipated.

- F. Population: to determine the impact of the proposed developments additional population, the applicant shall:
- 1. Calculate the projected resident (and transient) population of the proposed development and the generated population in the case of commercial or industrial uses;

Indeterminable at this time.

2. Describe, for commercial and industrial projects, the employment characteristics including the anticipated number of employees, type of skills or training required for the new jobs, the percentage of employees that will be found locally or are expected to be drawn from outside the county or state, and the number of shifts per day and employees per shift;

Based on theoretical development potential of the property as TCX, we do not anticipate any change in in employment characteristics as a result of the change to ECX.

3. Indicate the expected demographic composition of the additional population (age/socio-economic factors); and

Indeterminable at this time.

4. Describe the proposed service area and the current population thereof.

Indeterminable at this time.

- G. General Information: to determine if any special needs or problems will be created by the proposed development, the applicant shall:
- 1. List and discuss special features of the proposed development that promote desirability and contribute to neighborhood needs; and

The proposed future land use map amendment would allow for the parcel to be developed consistent with the other non-residential activities in the area.

- 2. Discuss the demand on the provision for the following services:
 - a. Parks and Recreation;

None.

b. Educational Facilities (preschool/elementary/middle school/high school);

None.

c. Health Care (emergency/hospital);

None.

d. Fire Protection;

Indeterminable at this time.

e. Police Protection and Security; and

Indeterminable at this time.

f. Electrical Power Supply

Indeterminable at this time.

H. Maps: the following maps shall accompany all Impact Assessment Statements:

Map A: A location map showing the relationship of the development to cities, highways, and natural features;

See attached Location Map

Map B: A Topographical Map with contour intervals of no greater than five feet, the identification of the property boundaries, and a delineation of the areas of special flood hazard (100 year flood plain) as shown on the Flood Insurance Rate Maps issued by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) for Polk County;

See attached Topographical Map.

Map C: A Land Use and Land Use District Map showing the existing land use designations and districts on and abutting the proposed development, including lot sizes and density;

See attached Future Land Use Map (current and requested).

Map D: A Soils Map with soils designated according to Natural Resources Conservation Service classifications. If available, USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) soil surveys are preferable;

See attached Soils Map

Map E: A Traffic Circulation Map identifying any existing roads on or adjacent to the proposed development and indicating the name of the roads, maintenance jurisdiction, and pavement and right-of-way widths.

See attached Concept Plan.

Map F: A Site Plan showing land uses, the layout of lots, the type and maximum density for each type of residential area; the typical minimum lot sizes and dimensions for each use and unit type, and the dimensions, locations, and types of buffers, easements, open space areas, parking and loading areas, setbacks, and vehicular circulation routes; and

See attached Concept Plan.

Map G: A Drainage Map delineating existing and proposed drainage areas, water retention areas, drainage structures, drainage easements, canals, wetlands, watercourses, and other major drainage features.

A Drainage Map is not available at this time, as we do not have any engineered plans to evaluate the proposed location of stormwater ponds, buildings, impervious surface, etc.