**Proposed Zone & Land Use Plan**

The applicant is seeking an I-1 Light Industrial zone. The subject property is located in an Industrial Plan Area, where light industrial uses are appropriate in general locations.

**SPECIFIC LAND USE CRITERIA**

(a) Building and lot patterns; outdoor storage yards – Building and lot patterns should conform to the criteria for “Nonresidential Development” and outdoor storage yards, with “Buffers for Outdoor Storage Yards.”

(b) Logical expansions outside of Industrial Parks – Existing areas of Light Industrial use that are located outside of planned Industrial Parks may be expanded onto contiguous land that generally abuts the same street(s). Such an expansion should not significantly increase the extent of industrial uses that are located in the vicinity and outside of Industrial Parks. Also, such an expansion should not overburden the capacity of roadways and other necessary urban services that are available in the affected area.

**Applicant’s Findings**

The rezoning requires is in compliance with the Comprehensive Plan. Subject tract is a micro-silver of land (0.113 acres) being divided and consolidate to provide a more regularly shaped lot configuration.

**Planning Staff Review**

The subject property is located in the 1600 block of River Road. Land use criteria applicable to this proposal are reviewed below.

**GENERAL LAND USE CRITERIA**

Environment

According to a study prepared by the US Department of Agriculture Soil Conservation Service dated March 6, 1990, it appears that the subject property is not in a wetlands area. The subject property does not appear to be in a special flood hazard area per FIRM Map 21059CO120 C. The developer is responsible for obtaining permits as may be required by the Division of Water, The Army Corp of Engineers, FEMA or other state and federal agencies as may be applicable.

It appears that the subject property is outside the Owensboro Wellhead Protection area according to a map created by the GRADD office dated March 1999.
Urban Services

All necessary urban services are available to the site, including sanitary sewers.

Development Patterns

The subject property is small sliver of property that is involved in a land swap and consolidation with an adjacent tract to create two lots more uniform in shape. A minor subdivision for the transfer of property and consolidation has been prepared and submitted to the OMPC office for review.

The adjoining property to which the subject property will be attached is zoned I-1 Light Industrial. The transfer and consolidation of such a small tract of land will not overburden the available urban services or the transportation network serving the affected area. The applicant’s zoning request is to change the zoning to be compatible with the tract to which it is to be consolidated.

SPECIFIC LAND USE CRITERIA

The applicant’s proposal meets the specific criteria of the Comprehensive Land Use Plan. General expansion of industrial uses should be accommodated where they satisfy a set of logical expansion criteria. The applicant’s request of the expansion of an existing light industrial zone within a industrial plan area is appropriate in general locations and meet the criteria for logical expansion onto contiguous land abutting the same street.

Planning Staff Recommendations

Staff recommends approval because the proposal is in compliance with the community’s adopted Comprehensive Plan. The condition and findings of fact that support this recommendation include the following:

Condition: Record subdivision plat for the property consolidation.

Findings of Fact:

1. The subject property is located in an Industrial Plan Area, where light industrial uses are appropriate in general locations;

2. The applicant proposes to consolidate the subject property to adjacent property to the north that is currently zoned I-1 Light Industrial; and,

3. The applicant’s request is a logical expansion of existing light industrial use onto contiguous land that will not significantly increase the extent of light industrial use in the vicinity and will not overburden the capacity of roadways and other necessary urban services that are available in the affected area.