PLANNING COMMISSION **REPORT**



Meeting Date:August 23, 2023General Plan Element:Land UseGeneral Plan Goal:Create a sense of community through land uses

ACTION

Meridian Art Lofts 17-ZN-2020

Request to consider the following:

 A recommendation to City Council regarding a request by owner for a zoning district map amendment from Highway Commercial, Downtown Overlay (C-3 DO) district to Downtown/Downtown Multiple Use - Type 3, Planned Block Development, Downtown Overlay (D/DMU-3 PBD DO) district, with a development plan and amended standards for a 16-unit residential development on a +/-0.48-acre site located at 3600 N. Bishop Lane.

Goal/Purpose of Request

The applicant seeks approval to rezone to allow for a new 16-unit multi-family development.

Key Items for Consideration

- PBD Overlay Criteria
- Reinvestment and redevelopment of a site that has been vacant since 1993
- No bonus development standards requested
- Contextual compatibility with surrounding development
- Request includes reduced building setback from N. Goldwater Blvd. (30 feet back of curb to 14 feet back of curb, average 19 feet)
- Structured shading proposed over N. Goldwater Blvd. frontage (in place of trees)
- Infrastructure to be upgraded as needed by developer to accommodate development intensity
- Public comment received
- Development Review Board considered this case on 6/15/2023 and recommended approval of the development plan and development standards with a vote of 5-0 (see Page 4 for more DRB-related details)

OWNER

PJE Investments (503) 784-1805

APPLICANT CONTACT

John Berry Berry Riddell LLC (480) 385-2753

LOCATION

3600 N Bishop Ln

BACKGROUND

General Plan

The City of Scottsdale General Plan 2035 Future Land Use Map designates the property as Mixed-Use Neighborhoods, areas of the city that focus on human-scale development and are located with strong access to multiple modes of transportation and major regional services. These areas accommodate higher-density housing combined with complementary office or retail uses. Mixed-Use Neighborhoods are most suitable near and within Growth and Activity Areas – the subject property is located within the General Plan designated, Old Town Growth Area. Growth Areas are specific locations within the community that are most appropriate for the highest intensity of development, and will best accommodate future growth, new development, revitalization, and redevelopment. The Old Town Growth Area includes a collection of interconnected, mixed-use districts and denotes locations for some of the greatest development intensity within the community.

Old Town Scottsdale Character Area Plan (OTSACP)

The subject property is located within the boundary of the OTSCAP, a policy document that guides growth and development decisions for Scottsdale's Old Town area. The site is designated as Downtown Multiple Use, with a Type 3 Development Type, and located within the OTSCAP designated Scottsdale Arts District. Downtown Multiple Use areas encourage new development, redevelopment, and infill that strengthen Old Town Scottsdale's mix of activities through the development of mutually supportive land uses. Type 3 areas support the highest scale of development within Old Town. The Scottsdale Arts District is generally defined as an area within Old Town that includes numerous fine art galleries and cultural facilities, restaurants, and retail stores.

Zoning

The site was annexed into the City in 1954 (Ord. No. 20) and zoned C-3. Other than adoption of the Downtown Overlay, no zoning activity has occurred on the site since annexation.



Context

Located at the northwest corner of N. Goldwater Blvd. and N. Bishop Lane, the site is situated in an area occupied by development of varying intensity, mostly retail, office and galleries. Most development within a 500-foot radius is two story or less in height; with the nearest compatible height and massing located approximately 300 feet to the north at 3707 N. Marshall Way (three stories). It should be noted, however, that there are two approved and pending construction projects to the west of this site that will be more intense, with greater building heights than the proposed development: The Goldwater at 7000 E. 4th Street (25-DR-2021) and Museum Square, generally located at Marshall Way & 2nd Street (13-ZN-2018). The Goldwater is approved with a building heights up to 150 feet.

Adjacent Uses and Zoning

- North: Retail/Gallery, zoned C-3 DO
- South: Goldwater Blvd. Couplet and retail/restaurant, zoned C-3 DO
- East: Office/Mixed-Use, zoned D/OC-2 DO
- West: Vacant, zoned D/OC-2 DO

Other Related Policies, References:

- Scottsdale General Plan 2035
- Old Town Scottsdale Character Area Plan
- Zoning Ordinance

APPLICANT'S PROPOSAL

Development Information

The applicant seeks approval for a new four-story multi-family residential community, contemporary in design, consisting of 16 units with a central common area at the second level (above the parking). The first level is devoted primarily to resident parking with the units constructed above. The proposal includes two-way through access to the garage from N. Bishop Lane to the alley. Structured shade elements are proposed along both street frontages to enhance the pedestrian experience and provide shading.

The drive aisle in the garage will be designated as a loading/unloading zone. As required by Section 9.201 of the Zoning Ordinance, no portion of a street or alley can be used for loading/unloading, which presents unique challenges for smaller projects in the Old Town area. Although using the drive aisle in the garage could result in occasional circulation conflicts, such as a moving truck blocking parking spaces, however, inconveniences should be relatively minimal as this is a small project (16 units).

Significant Updates to Development Proposal Since Initial Submittal

During staff review of the development proposal, comments were provided to the applicant to update the development proposal which resulted in the following:

• The original proposal was to have two-way through access to the garage from Bishop Lane to the alley. The second iteration of the project design proposed access to the garage off the alley only, leaving greater flexibility to create a stronger streetscape and pedestrian realm along the N.

Bishop Lane frontage. Transportation staff expressed concerns with this due to proximity to N. Goldwater Boulevard, particularly the speed of travel and curve along N. Goldwater Blvd. at this location that would leave little time for traffic to adjust speeds behind a vehicle entering (or exiting) the alley. After meeting with Current Planning and Transportation staff, the applicant decided to reintegrate the second access point off Bishop Lane into the site design.

- Street trees along both street frontages have been eliminated in favor of structured shading elements extending from the building face. These elements may also be utilized to satisfy the Public Art requirement for the PBD request (Section 6.1309 of the Zoning Ordinance).
- Since the initial DRB hearing on 6/15/2023, the applicant is requesting some revisions to the original approved development plan, specifically the development standards. The building height is proposed to be raised from 50 feet (inclusive of rooftop appurtenances) to 54 feet (inclusive of rooftop appurtenances). Concerns were raised by staff about how realistic it is to expect on-site loading/unloading in the parking garage when clearances would not allow for a moving truck to enter the garage. The increase in building height allows for a clearance of 13 feet 6 inches in the parking garage, which is consistent with the Fire Department requirement, and sufficient to allow most mid-size moving trucks to enter and exit the garage. This in turn also required an amendment to the stepback requirement. The stepback amendment is necessary because the increased building height results in an occupiable portion of the building extending beyond the standard stepback plane, which cannot qualify as an "encroachment". The proposed building height of 54 feet is not being treated as an amendment to the D District development standards, as it is below the base height allowed (66 feet, 90 feet with PBD) however, the stepback amendment is identified in the Amended Development Standards section of this report on Page 9 (in purple text). As of the date of this report, the proposed revisions have not gone to the Board for consideration but are scheduled to be considered at the August 17, 2023, DRB hearing. Results of that hearing will be included in a supplemental notice to the Planning Commission.
- Existing Use: Vacant
- Proposed Use: Multi-family Residential
- Parcel Size: Gross 21,303 square feet (0.48-acre)
- Net 9,683 square feet (0.22-acre)
- Building Height Allowed: 90 feet (inclusive of rooftop appurtenances with PBD)
- Building Height Proposed: 54 feet (inclusive of rooftop appurtenances)
- Parking Required: 16 spaces (one space per unit, no guest parking required)
- Parking Provided: 16 spaces
- Density Allowed: 50 du/ac (25 units)
- Density Proposed: 32.6 du/ac (16 units)

IMPACT ANALYSIS

Land Use

The proposed project would redevelop and revitalize a site that has been vacant for 30 years, while adding alternative housing options in the Old Town area close to shops, restaurants, and pedestrian amenities. The applicant is seeking approval of a Planned Block Development Overlay District (PBD) to allow flexibility of development standards and provide a residential project that will further promote the Old Town area as a 24-hour community.

The General Plan 2035 (Mixed-Use Neighborhoods) and Old Town Scottsdale Character Area Plan (Downtown Multiple Use) designations encourage a mixed-use environment within Old Town, with specialty retail and tourism, along with higher density housing combined with, office, retail, and other compatible uses. These plans encourage new developments, redevelopment and infill that strengthen Old Town's mix of uses and activities through mutually supportive land uses. The applicant's Development Plan includes a comprehensive summary of the development and how the requested zoning conforms to the polices of General Plan 2035 and the Old Town Scottsdale Character Area Plan.

PBD Criteria

In accordance with Section 6.1304.B of the Zoning Ordinance, the Planning Commission shall make a recommendation to City Council based on the following criteria specific to the PBD overlay:

1. Standard Criteria

- a. The proposed development supports the land use elements of the General Plan and the Downtown Plan.
- The Land Use Element of the City of Scottsdale General Plan 2035 discusses the importance of sensitively integrating land uses with the surrounding built environment through compatible transitions and development patterns (Goal LU 2 and associated policies). Further, the Land Use Chapter of the Old Town Scottsdale Character Area Plan (OTSCAP) promotes diversity in Old Town Housing Options (OTSCAP Goal LU 5). The applicant proposes a 16-unit, multi-family residential development. Although the applicant is requesting an amendment to setback and stepback development standards, building articulation, vertical subdivision, and shade elements along N. Goldwater Boulevard help integrate and transition its massing along the roadway's frontage.
- The Land Use Element of the City of Scottsdale General Plan 2035 discusses the importance of developing context appropriate land use patterns that support mobility choice (Goal LU 4 and associated policies). Further, the Land Use Chapter of the Old Town Scottsdale Character Area Plan (OTSCAP) encourages a mix of land uses that support a walkable downtown (OTSCAP Goal LU 6 and associated policies). The proposed development plan maintains and enhances the existing pedestrian circulation adjacent to N. Goldwater Boulevard and Bishop Lane, incorporating wider 8' sidewalks, shade and landscaping to enhance the pedestrian environment – further supporting a walkable downtown area.

- 2. Criteria to add land uses to Table 5.3004.D., Land Uses for Each Sub-district of the Downtown District:
 - The applicant does not propose to add land uses to the Land Use Table.

3. Criteria to achieve bonus(es):

• The applicant is not requesting bonus development standards.

In addition to the criteria above, the Development Review Board recommended approval of the Development Plan and development standards based on the following criteria:

- 2. Criteria for a PBD Overlay District application in a Type 2, Type 2.5 Area or Type 3 Area:
 - a. The Development Plan shall reflect the goals and policies of the Character & Design Chapter of the Downtown Plan.

Applicant Narrative: This development proposal incorporates unique artistic elements within an urban context that celebrates the spirit of the "Arts District" yet remains consistent with the overall character of Old Town. Building design offers a unique living scenario where the average size of the units is 900 square feet with 400 square feet reserved for outdoor living space. This indoor/outdoor living arrangement was designed specifically to take advantage of the synergistic downtown location. Per the PBD Overlay, base allowed building height at this location is 90 feet (inclusive of rooftop appurtenances). Proposed building height is 54 feet (inclusive of rooftop appurtenances), which is sensitive to the surrounding context. Taking cues from modern architectural design and indigenous building materials, the development will provide a pedestrian-oriented environment with a modern, contemporary aesthetic. Complementary textures, colors and materials will create strong aesthetic connections between existing and new development, while maintaining a unique and identifiable character.

Landscape character of the proposed development includes a variety of low water use plantings that will provide year-round color, shade and texture. From a pedestrian perspective, the project seeks to build upon the existing network by improving sidewalks which will be enhanced by structured shade elements and pedestrian-scale lighting that is context appropriate. The proposal also includes an enhanced pedestrian "respite" at the corner of N. Bishop Lane and N. Goldwater Blvd. that will provide an element of comfort and reinforce the character of a walkable downtown. Finally, active street frontages create visual interest that contributes to an enhanced pedestrian experience.

Staff Analysis: From a context perspective, most development within a 500-foot radius is two story or less in height; with the nearest compatible height and massing located approximately 300 feet to the north at 3707 N. Marshall Way (three stories). It should be noted however that there are two approved and pending construction projects to the west of this site that will be more intense than the proposed development: The Goldwater at 7000 E. 4th Street (25-DR-2021) and Museum Square, generally located at Marshall Way & 2nd Street (13-ZN-2018). The Goldwater is approved with a height of 70 feet and Museum Square is approved with building heights up to 150 feet.

b. The site development standards and building form shall be in conformance with the Downtown Plan Urban Design & Architectural Guidelines (UDAG).

Applicant Narrative: Development of this infill site consists of a number of site improvements including, but not limited to, enhanced landscaping, improved pedestrian environment, contemporary architecture and concealed parking, all of which contribute to an interconnected, walkable downtown. Street frontages are activated at the ground level by amenities, new sidewalk and structured shading elements for pedestrians. Additionally, vertical elements that serve to provide solar relief also contribute to the urban character. The proposal includes a central courtyard that serves as an open space to be utilized by residents. Building layout is designed so that residents have views of the courtyard from within the development, and the lush desert landscaping and enhanced hardscapes not only provide a pleasing visual experience, but also serve as a backdrop for interaction and engagement among residents that will foster a unified community.

From a building design perspective, this project will transform a vacant infill site into a unique residential development that offers vibrant, contemporary architecture in an urban setting. At a maximum height of 54 feet, the proposed development will seamlessly blend in with the surrounding environment. The proposal incorporates architectural and building elements that both provide a clear base, middle and top, and reduce visual impact. Thoughtfully placed screening and hanging vegetation create a vertical hierarchy that begins with a strong base and gets lighter as the eye moves up. All utilities, refuse, recycle and delivery services are contained within the site and are accessed inconspicuously. This will minimize the impact of these services so that the pedestrian experience is uninterrupted. Lighting will be designed in a manner that is consistent and sensitive within the Old Town context. The design will complement the architectural theme of the building while also acting as a tool for safe pedestrian wayfinding at night.

Staff Analysis: The reduced setback along N. Goldwater Blvd. brings massing and height closer to the street sidewalk, which in turn could detract from the pedestrian experience. In this case, the proposed fin walls are located within a few feet of the street sidewalk however, the building mass itself is setback a sufficient distance and the spaces between the fin walls include open common area and landscaping to minimize impacts and provide an aesthetic setting for pedestrians. Additionally, development to the east and west of the site is similarly located, which creates a consistent street edge (OTSUDAG).

c. The building form shall reflect the planned character of development within which the development project will be located.

<u>Applicant Narrative</u>: At a maximum height of 54 feet, the proposed development will seamlessly blend in with the surrounding environment. The proposal incorporates architectural and building elements that both provide a clear base, middle and top, and reduce visual impact. Thoughtfully placed screening and hanging vegetation create a vertical hierarchy that begins with a strong base and gets lighter as the eye moves up. All utilities, refuse, recycle and delivery services are contained within the site and are accessed inconspicuously. This will minimize the impact of these services so that the pedestrian experience is uninterrupted. Lighting will be designed in a manner that is consistent and

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d. The Development Plan shall incorporate standards for development within three-hundred fifty (350) feet of the Downtown boundary that address appropriate transitions in building height and massing between the proposed development and the zoning districts abutting or adjacent to the development.

This criterion is not applicable to this site.

e. The Development Plan for development within one hundred (100) feet of a Type 1 Area shall address appropriate transitions in building height, building massing and landscape materials between the proposed development and the Type 1 Area.

This criterion is not applicable to this site.

f. The Development Plan shall incorporate standards for development adjacent to public streets that include sidewalks, pedestrian linkages, building forms and architectural features that address human scale and pedestrian orientation.

Applicant Narrative: Old Town Scottsdale has cultivated the pedestrian experience through an interwoven fabric of connections enhanced by means including, but not limited to, landscaping, activated street frontages and improved walkways. This project seeks to build upon the existing network by improving pedestrian walkways that are enhanced by structured shading elements, landscaping, and lighting that is context appropriate but also provides wayfinding at night. Walkways around the property will be improved and connectivity will be provided to the newly approved Museum Square project and beyond connecting to the established Old Town pedestrian network.

Staff Analysis: The proposal includes replacing the existing sidewalk along N. Goldwater Blvd. with a new 8-foot sidewalk separated from street curb by landscaping to create a more comfortable and inviting pedestrian environment. Additionally, the proposed structured shading elements over the sidewalk on both streets will provide shading for pedestrians. The structured shading combined with landscaping on the north side of the street sidewalk will enhance the pedestrian experience. The reduced setback along N. Goldwater Blvd. brings massing and height closer to the street sidewalk, which in turn could detract from the pedestrian experience. In this case, the proposed fin walls are indeed located within a few feet of the street sidewalk however, the building mass itself is setback a sufficient distance and the spaces between the fin walls include open common area and landscaping to minimize impacts and provide an aesthetic setting for pedestrians.

g. The pedestrian circulation shall be accessible and easy to navigate and incorporate open space and pedestrian linkages to the public pedestrian circulation network.

Applicant Narrative: Successful downtown revitalization and redevelopment focuses on a lively pedestrian experience that improves linkages and enhances the entire pedestrian network. This development will improve pedestrian walkways along both streets, which is a necessary improvement for the infill site as well. In addition to thoughtfully placed structured shading elements along both street frontages, sidewalk improvements include a shaded respite on the corner of N. Bishop Lane and N. Goldwater Blvd. This will contribute to a more comfortable pedestrian experience around the property that will successfully encourage use of the established circulation system.

<u>Staff Analysis</u>: Overall, the pedestrian experience adjacent to the proposed project is significantly enhanced. An enhanced streetscape with structured shade elements will provide a more appealing and comfortable experience for pedestrians on both streets.

Property Development Standards

As part of the Development Plan, the applicant is proposing amendments to some of the property development standards in the D District. The Development Review Board considered the proposed development standards as part of their review of the Development Plan and recommended approval to the Planning Commission. The proposed amendments are as follows:

Development Standard	Zoning Ordinance requirement	Proposed development standards with PBD
Minimum Building Setback (Goldwater)	30 feet from back of curb	14 feet from back of curb (19-foot average)
Minimum Building Setback (Bishop)	20 feet from back of curb	14 feet from back of curb
Stepbacks	2:1 beginning at 45 feet above the minimum setback from the public street	2:1 beginning at 54 feet above minimum setback
Exceptions to building location, setback prevailing setback and stepback standards	 <u>Subject to DRB approval</u>: Maximum of five feet for cornices, eaves, parapets and fireplaces Maximum seven feet for canopies and other covers over sidewalks, balconies and terraces 	 15 feet for cornices, eaves, parapets, architectural elements, window elements, fin walls and fireplaces 15 feet for canopies and other shade covers over sidewalks, balconies and terraces

This site is located on the northwest corner of N. Goldwater Blvd. and N. Bishop Lane. N. Goldwater Blvd. is classified as a Minor Arterial adjacent to the site and has three eastbound lanes and two westbound lanes. It has an average daily traffic volume of +/-11,400 vehicles. N. Bishop Lane is classified as a Local Commercial Street, with one lane in each direction and parallel on-street parking. The intersection Of N. Goldwater Blvd. and N. Bishop Lane is stop controlled on the N. Bishop Lane approach and is limited to right-turn out movements due to a raised median in N. Goldwater Blvd.

The proposed change in zoning from C-3 to PBD will allow for development of a sixteen-unit multifamily building. Site design includes a driveway at N. Bishop Lane on the east and a driveway at the alley on the west. The proposed project is estimated to generate 108 daily trips with six A.M. peak hour trips and eight P.M. peak hour trips. This low level of site generated traffic is not anticipated to have an impact on the surrounding street system. The applicant has proposed to modify the existing curb and sidewalk at their frontage intersection of N. Goldwater Blvd. and N. Bishop Lane to provide more pedestrian space. Additionally, the alley is proposed to be widened to 24 feet along their frontage to better accommodate the movement of vehicles into and out of the parking garage. The primary concerns for Transportation are a) that the parking demand will exceed the number of provided spaces, and b) the lack of a traditional loading/unloading zone. There are not many available on-street parking spaces and those that do exist are in an area with high demand/usage. The parking along N. Bishop Lane is currently limited to three-hour parking. The proposed solution for loading/unloading will block on-site parking spaces, which may encourage moving and delivery trucks to utilize the alley for loading/unloading.

Water/Sewer

The applicant provided Basis of Design reports for water and sewer, which have been accepted by the Water Resources Division. The City of Scottsdale is an Arizona Department of Water Resources designated provider with a 100-year Assured Water Supply and will supply water in accordance with City codes, ordinances, and the City's Drought Management Plan. All infrastructure upgrades necessary to serve this project will be completed by the applicant.

Public Safety

The nearest fire station is located at 7522 E. Indian School Road, approximately 3,100 feet to the northeast, and the subject site is served by Police District 1, Beat 7. As with any project that contributes to growth, the fire department and police department continually anticipate and evaluate resource needs for the city's budget process.

Open Space

Though no on-site open space is required in the Old Town area, the proposal includes a large common area with landscaping and seating elements over the parking garage on the second level.

Housing Cost

Approval of the zoning district map amendment and development plan proposed by the applicant enables the construction of more housing. In conjunction with state law, staff has considered the scope of the zoning district map amendment and development plan, as well as aspects which would affect the cost of construction. Staff has not identified any factors that would substantially impact the cost to construct housing for sale or rent.

Community Involvement

The City of Scottsdale promotes public participation in the development of the built environment and has used multiple public outreach methods. The applicant has also complied with the city's suggested best practices for public outreach. Additionally, per the applicant's Citizen Review & Neighborhood Involvement Report, a virtual open house was held (during the height of COVID) on 10/8/2020, and the applicant team visited over 60 nearby business and property owners to get their feedback on the project. The virtual open house generated 19 views. Most of the feedback during the open house was favorable. Because there was an extended pause after the pandemic hit, the team reminded neighbors about the proposal and explained the changes that had been made since the original design was submitted. Comment letters were submitted expressing concerns with parking and building setbacks.

OTHER BOARDS & COMMISSIONS

Development Review Board

The Development Review Board considered this case as a Regular Agenda item on 6/15/2023. After presentations by staff and the applicant, DRB commented on the case. Board member Gushgari commented positively on the creativity utilized in the site design; specifically, the bulb-out proposed at the intersection to improve site visibility, and the use of a different material/texture for the sidewalk along Bishop in front of the garage entrance that will hopefully warn drivers exiting the garage that there is a pedestrian zone and cause them to slow down and check for pedestrians before they exit. Board member Joyner was complimentary of the project, particularly the trees proposed along the streets. Board member Craig was also complimentary, though he suggested a smaller variety of tree along Bishop that won't hide the architecture. He was also very supportive of the bulb-out at the intersection. Councilwoman Caputi read a written statement from Board member Brand, who was absent, which in general stated his support for the project, and his belief that the project is "worthy of Scottsdale". Councilwoman Caputi was also supportive, echoing Board member Brand's comments. After comments, the Board voted unanimously (5-0) to recommend approval to Planning Commission, with Board member Fakih recusing.

Revisions made after the Board's recommendation are scheduled to be considered at the August 17, 2023, DRB hearing. Results of that hearing will be included in a supplemental notice to the Planning Commission.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Recommended Approach:

Staff recommends that the Planning Commission find that the Planned Block Development Overlay criteria have been met, and determine that the proposed zoning district map amendment is consistent with and conforms to the adopted General Plan, and make a recommendation to City Council for approval of a zoning district map amendment from Highway Commercial, Downtown Overlay (C-3 DO) district to Downtown/Downtown Multiple Use - Type 3, Planned Block Development, Downtown Overlay (D/DMU-3 PBD DO) district, with a development plan for a 16-unit residential development on a +/-0.48-acre site located at 3600 N Bishop Lane., per the attached stipulations.

RESPONSIBLE DEPARTMENT

Planning and Development Services

Current Planning Services

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ATTACHMENTS

- 1. Context Aerial
- 1A. Aerial Close-Up
- 2. Ordinance No. 4608 (Draft) Exhibit 1: Zoning Map Exhibit 2: Stipulations
- Resolution No. 12899 (Draft)
 Exhibit 1: "Meridian Art Lofts Development Plan"
- 4. Additional Information
- 5. Old Town Scottsdale Character Area Plan Future Land Use Map
- 6. Existing Zoning Map
- 7. Traffic Impact Summary
- 8. Community Involvement
- 9. Correspondence
- 10. 6/15/2023 Development Review Board meeting minutes
- 11. City Notification Map



Context Aerial

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Close-up Aerial

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Attachment #1A

ORDINANCE NO. 4608

AN ORDINANCE OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SCOTTSDALE, MARICOPA COUNTY, ARIZONA, AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 455, THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SCOTTSDALE, BY AND FOR THE PURPOSE OF CHANGING THE ZONING ON THE "DISTRICT MAP" TO ZONING APPROVED IN CASE NO. 17-ZN-2020 FROM HIGHWAY COMMERCIAL, DOWNTOWN OVERLAY (C-3 DO) DISTRICT TO DOWNTOWN/DOWNTOWN MULTIPLE USE – TYPE 3, PLANNED BLOCK DEVELOPMENT, DOWNTOWN OVERLAY (D/DMU-3 PBD DO) DISTRICT, WITH A DEVELOPMENT PLAN, FOR A 16-UNIT RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT ON A +/- 0.48-ACRE SITE LOCATED AT 3600 N BISHOP LANE.

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission held a hearing on August 26, 2023; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has considered the probable impact of Zoning Ordinance 4608 on the cost to construct housing for sale or rent; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that the proposed development is in substantial harmony with the General Plan of the City of Scottsdale and will be coordinated with existing and planned development; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that the following Planned Block Development criteria have been met:

1. Criteria for a PBD Overlay District application in the Type 3 Area:

a. The Development Plan shall reflect the goals and policies of the Character & Design Chapter of the Downtown Plan;

1. Standard criteria:

a. The proposed development supports the land use elements of the General Plan and the Downtown Plan.

WHEREAS, it is now necessary that the comprehensive zoning map of the City of Scottsdale ("District Map") be amended to conform with the decision of the Scottsdale City Council in Case No. 17-ZN-2020.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Scottsdale, as follows:

<u>Section 1</u>. That the "District Map" adopted as a part of the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Scottsdale, showing the zoning district boundaries, is amended by rezoning a +/- 0.48-acre site located at 3600 N Bishop Lane and marked as "Site" (the Property) on the map attached as **Exhibit** 1, incorporated herein by reference, from Highway Commercial, Downtown Overlay (C-3 DO) district to Downtown/Downtown Multiple Use - Type 3, Planned Block Development, Downtown Overlay (D/DMU-3 PBD DO) district, and by adopting that certain document entitled "Meridian Art Lofts Development Plan" declared as public record by Resolution No. 12899 which is incorporated into this ordinance by reference as if fully set forth herein.

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Attachment #2

<u>Section 2</u>. That the above rezoning approval is conditioned upon compliance with all stipulations attached hereto as **Exhibit 2** and incorporated herein by reference.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Council of the City of Scottsdale, Maricopa County, Arizona this _____ day of _____, 2023.

ATTEST:

CITY OF SCOTTSDALE, an Arizona municipal corporation

By:___

Ben Lane City Clerk By:_____ David D. Ortega Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM: OFFICE OF THE CITY ATTORNEY

By:_____

Sherry R. Scott, City Attorney By: Joe Padilla, Deputy City Attorney

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Stipulations for the Zoning Application: Meridian Art Lofts

Case Number: 17-ZN-2020

These stipulations are in order to protect the public health, safety, welfare, and the City of Scottsdale.

SITE DESIGN

- CONFORMANCE TO DEVELOPMENT PLAN. Development shall conform with the Development Plan, entitled "Meridian Art Lofts Development Plan", which is on file with the City Clerk and made a public record by Resolution No. 12899, and incorporated into these stipulations and ordinance by reference as if fully set forth herein. Any proposed significant change to the Development Plan, as determined by the Zoning Administrator, shall be subject to additional action and public hearings before the Planning Commission and City Council. Where there is a conflict between the Development Plan and these stipulations, these stipulations shall prevail.
- 2. CONFORMANCE TO AMENDED DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS. Development shall conform with the amended development standards that are included as part of the Development Plan. Any change to the development standards shall be subject to additional public hearings before the Planning Commission and City Council.
- 3. MAXIMUM DWELLING UNITS DENSITY. Maximum dwelling units shall not exceed 16 dwelling units (equivalent to 32.6 du/gross acre of the Development Plan).
- 4. INTERNATIONAL GREEN CONSTRUCTION CODE (IgCC). Final construction plans shall demonstrate compliance with the IgCC.
- 5. SETBACK FROM ALLEY. No structure shall be placed any closer than two (2) feet from the alley rightof-way line.
- 6. ACCESS RESTRICTIONS. Access to the development project shall conform to the following requirements:
 - a. There shall be two city standards compliant site driveway connections, one to development project adjacent alley and another to N Bishop Lane.
- 7. ALLEY RESTRICTIONS. Project development construction work in the alley shall be coordinated by project owner with the city's solid waste department. Any project development related disruption to solid waste service routes shall be mitigated by project owner.
- 8. LOADING AND UNLOADING. With the construction document submittal, the property owner shall submit plans and documentation demonstrating that a dedicated on-site loading and unloading area, to accommodate moving and delivery trucks, has been provided.
- 9. CONSTRUCTION MITIGATION PLAN. During construction of the project, the developer shall mitigate the construction impacts to the immediately adjacent properties at the developer's expense. The developer shall take all steps reasonably necessary to a) keep, or cause to be kept, the property in a neat, orderly, and clean condition, free from debris, b) employ effective dust control procedures including enhanced street and lot sweeping, and c) protect all property and improvements on the

Ordinance No. 4608 Exhibit 2 Page 1 of 3 immediately adjacent properties from damage caused by the developer or its agents, employees, contractors, or subcontractors, and immediately repair any such property, once damaged, to its preexisting condition. All parking on Bishop Lane shall remain open and Bishop Lane shall not be closed to vehicular traffic, with the exception of some street reduction for deliveries as needed. Materials sahll be delivered from an off-site laydown/marshalling yard for "just in time" use. No materials shall be stored on-site.

- 10. RIGHT OF WAY RESTRICTIONS. With the construction document submittal, the property owner shall submit plans and documentation demonstrating that no structure or components thereof are extending into city rights-of-way.
- 11. PROTECTION OF ARCHAEOLOGICAL RESOURCES. Any development on the property is subject to the requirements of Scottsdale Revised Code, Chapter 46, Article VI, Protection of Archaeological Resources, Section 46-134 Discoveries of archaeological resources during construction.

DEDICATIONS

12. PUBLIC NON-MOTORIZED ACCESS EASEMENT. Prior to issuance of any permit for the development project, the property owner shall dedicate a continuous Public Non-Motorized Access Easement to the City of Scottsdale to contain the public sidewalk in locations where the sidewalk crosses onto private property of the development project.

INFRASTRUCTURE

- 13. CONSTRUCTION COMPLETED. Prior to issuance of any Certificate of Occupancy or Certification of Shell Building, whichever is first, for the development project, the property owner shall complete all the infrastructure and improvements required by the Scottsdale Revised Code and these stipulations.
- 14. STANDARDS OF IMPROVEMENTS. All improvements (curb, gutter, sidewalk, curb ramps, driveways, pavement, concrete, water, wastewater, etc.) shall be constructed in accordance with the applicable City of Scottsdale Supplements to the Maricopa Association of Governments (MAG) Uniform Standard Specifications and Details for Public Works Construction, Maricopa Association of Governments (MAG) Uniform Standard Specifications and Details for Public Works Construction, the Design Standards and Policies Manual (DSPM), and all other applicable city codes and policies.
- 15. CIRCULATION IMPROVEMENTS. Prior to issuance of any permit for the development project, the property owner shall submit and obtain approval of construction documents to construct the following improvements:
 - a. N BISHOP LANE.
 - 1. Minimum six-foot wide sidewalk along development project's frontage. Standard concrete may only be used in its construction, without an associated and executed maintenance agreement with the city, prior to permit issuance.
 - 2. City standard CL driveway connection.
 - 3. Reconstruction of any non-ADA compliant pedestrian ramps adjacent to the project site.
 - b. N GOLDWATER BOULEVARD.

- 1. Minimum eight-foot-wide sidewalk, separated from back of curb, along development project's frontage. Standard concrete may only be used in its construction, without an associated and executed maintenance agreement with the city, prior to permit issuance.
- 2. Modify proposed right-of-way adjacent landscaping to comply with city standard sight distance triangle requirements and as directed by the city's transportation department in addressing visibility concerns.
- 3. Reconstruction of any non-ADA compliant pedestrian ramps adjacent to the project site.
- c. ALLEY.
 - 1. Reconstruct full alley width adjacent to development project's frontage, to include, but not limited to, a refuse truck concrete pad, compliant with city standard detail.
 - 2. Reconstruct alley connection to N Goldwater Boulevard to include, but not limited to, positive drainage and an ADA compliant pedestrian crossing.
- 16. WATER AND WASTEWATER IMPROVEMENTS. The property owner shall provide all water and wastewater infrastructure improvements, including any new service lines, connection, fire-hydrants, and manholes, necessary to serve the development.

REPORTS AND STUDIES

- 17. STORM WATER. With the Development Review Board submittal, the property owner shall submit a final drainage report in accordance with the Design Standards and Policies Manual for the development project.
- 18. WATER/WASTEWATER. With the Development Review Board submittal, the property owner shall provide a final Water and Sewer Memo, verifying there have been no changes since the zoning case approval. Note the following for the final memo/utility plan:
 - a. If the existing sewer service is four-inch, it shall be replaced with a six-inch service line.

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RESOLUTION NO. 12899

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SCOTTSDALE, MARICOPA COUNTY, ARIZONA, DECLARING AS A PUBLIC RECORD THAT CERTAIN DOCUMENT FILED WITH THE CITY CLERK OF THE CITY OF SCOTTSDALE AND ENTITLED "MERIDIAN ART LOFTS DEVELOPMENT PLAN".

WHEREAS, State Law permits cities to declare documents a public record for the purpose of incorporation into city ordinances; and

WHEREAS, the City of Scottsdale wishes to incorporate by reference amendments to the Zoning Ordinance, Ordinance No. 455, by first declaring said amendments to be a public record.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the City of Scottsdale, Maricopa County, Arizona, as follows:

Section 1. That certain document entitled "Meridian Art Lofts Development Plan", attached as **Exhibit 1**, a paper and an electronic copy of which are on file in the office of the City Clerk, is hereby declared to be a public record. Said copies are ordered to remain on file with the City Clerk for public use and inspection.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Council of the City of Scottsdale, Maricopa County, Arizona this _____ day of _____, 2023.

CITY OF SCOTTSDALE, an Arizona municipal corporation

ATTEST:

By:

By:_

David D. Ortega, Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM: OFFICE OF THE CITY ATTORNEY

Ben Lane, City Clerk

Sherry R. Scott, City Attorney By: Joe Padilla, Deputy City Attorney

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Meridian Art Lofts Development Plan

17-ZN-2020

Resolution No. 12899 Exhibit 1 Page 1 of 89 Meridian Art Lofts 3600 N. Bishop Lane Project Narrative 17-ZN-2020



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I. <u>PROJECT OVERVIEW</u>

Location: 3600 N. Bishop Lane

Property Size: 21,303 (+/-) s.f. or 0.4891 (+/-) gross acres; 9,683 (+/-) s.f. or 0.2223 (+/-) net acres

Zoning:

- **Current Zoning:** C-3 DO (Highway Commercial Downtown Overlay)
- **Proposed Zoning:** D/DMU-Type 3 PBD DO (Downtown/ Downtown Multiple Use Type 3 Planned Block Development Downtown Overlay)



<u>Context Aerial</u>

Surrounding Uses

- North: C-3 DO; Moe Tavassoli Oriental Rugs
- East: C-3 DO; Office, SIP Coffee & Beer
- South: C-3 DO; ATL Wings, Pizza Hut, Starbucks and Staples
- West: D/OC-2 DO; Banner Church
- Northeast: D/OC-2 DO; Riva Yares Gallery (currently vacant)

Zoning Request

The Meridian Art Lofts is a rezoning request from C-3 DO to D/DMU-Type 3 PBD DO on an approximately 0.51 +/- gross acre property located at 3600 N. Bishop Lane, (the "Property"). The proposal is to rezone and develop the 0.51+/- acre vacant Property with 16 residential units (a density of 32.6 du/ac) offering a unique lifestyle with large outdoor living spaces and abundant central common space for the residents. The rezoning request is in conformance with the 2035 General Plan land use category of Mixed Use Neighborhoods and the Old Town Scottsdale Character Area Plan designation of Downtown Multiple Use.

M3 Commercial Real Estate currently owns several properties in Downtown Scottsdale and continues to invest in the area. Properties they have owned since 2002 include: 4235 N. Marshall Way; 7050 E Third Avenue; and 4164 N Marshall Way. They have also engaged in adaptive reuse projects, such as 4147 N. Goldwater Boulevard with a \$500,000 reinvestment and the former Bentley Gallery on 4161 N. Marshall Way, in which they received Development Review Board approval in 2019 to develop Eggersmann Studio, resulting in an \$800,000 reinvestment in Old Town Scottsdale. As evidenced, M3 is committed to investing and developing quality projects that contribute to the economic growth and stability of Old Town. They have brought their development expertise to a vacant, underutilized site in the heart of Old Town. The proposed modern, vibrant architecture will bring revitalization to the Arts District while satisfying the need for more housing options in Old Town. The site is ideally located with entertainment, commercial, and employment uses in close proximity that encourages multi-modal transportation and promotes a walkable environment, fostering the live, work, play synergy desired in Old Town.

Cultural Improvements Program

As required by the PBD, contributions to the Cultural Improvements Program include original works of art valued at one (1) percent of the applicable building valuation at the time of permitting. The developer is reviewing a range of public art options that may include onsite public art, public art in the right-of-way adjacent to the project, and/or an in-lieu fee to the Downtown Cultural Trust Fund (DCTF) to be dispersed in accordance with the Zoning Ordinance Sec. 7.1000.

II. 2035 GENERAL PLAN

"Our future begins today. Building upon decades of planning and thousands of hours of community involvement, General Plan 2035 guides the physical development of Scottsdale and acts as a blueprint to enhance our community aspirations—Exceptional Experience, Outstanding Livability, Community Prosperity, and Distinctive Character—over the next 20 years."

The General Plan is a tool for guiding future development and contains community goals and policies on a variety of components that play a role in creating the community in which we live, work, and enjoy. These goals and policies are broken down into 24 elements. The 2035 General Plan organizes the 24 elements under the following chapters with a series of goals and policies. A summary of the development's conformance to these goals and policies is provided below.

- 1. Character & Culture
- 2. Sustainability & Environment
- 3. Collaboration & Engagement
- 4. Community Well-Being
- 5. Connectivity
- 6. Revitalization
- 7. Innovation & Prosperity

✤ <u>CHACTER & CULTURE</u>

Character Types

Urban Character Types consist of higher-density residential, non-residential, and mixeduse neighborhoods, including apartments, high-density townhouses, business and employment centers, and resorts. Development in Urban Character Typesshould have pedestrian orientation, shade, activity nodes, and useable open spaces that encourage interaction among people. Building form and heights typically transition to adjacent Rural and Suburban Character Types. Taller buildings may be appropriate in Growth Areas, depending on context (see Growth Areas Element). Examples include Old Town Scottsdale, a mixed-use center of distinct urbandistricts; mixed-use portions of the Greater Airpark, particularly along Scottsdale Road; areas within the Scottsdale Road and Shea Boulevard Couplet; and the HonorHealth hospital/medical campus near Shea Boulevard and 90th Street.

Character & Design Element

<u>CD 1</u>

Determine the appropriateness of all development in terms of community goals, surrounding area character, and context.

CD 1.1 New and revitalized development should respond to the regional, citywide, and neighborhood contexts in terms of:

- Scottsdale's southwestern, Sonoran Desert characteristics, such as climate, native plants, topography, and history/culture.
- Scottsdale as a part of a larger metropolitan area with a unique image, character, and identity within the regional setting.
- Relationships and sensitivity to surrounding land forms, land uses, and transportation corridors.
- Compatibility with and sensitive integration into established neighborhood character, including historical preservation policies.
- Contributions to citywide linkages of open space, Growth Areas, and Activity Areas.
- Creation of new or reinvention of the existing character of an area, when necessary.
- Physical scale relating to human experience.
- Visual impacts on and accessibility to public settings, significant natural features, and neighboring properties.
- Impacts on and sensitivity to the natural environment.
- Public buildings and facilities that demonstrate the above principles.

CD 1.2 Consider the effects of building height, overall development density, and building orientation on adjacent neighborhood character, privacy, and viewsheds

CD 1.3 Ensure that all development is a part of and contributes to established Character Types.

CD 1.4 Encourage transitions and blending of character between Character Types, including, open space areas, building height, massing, and orientation

<u>Response</u>: The requested Downtown Zoning classification encourages urban design and revitalization of mature areas to maintain a walkable downtown and promote a live, work, play philosophy. This proposal is for 16 residential units that utilize a unique layout of indoor/outdoor living space. The building's contemporary design uses artistic elements to create a visual experience that provides a sense of place within the Arts District and is consistent with the character of Old Town. The Property is currently vacant and surrounded by a variety of galleries, cultural venues, entertainment, residential, employment and service-related business and is within proximity to two of Scottsdale's largest employers, HonorHealth and the City of Scottsdale government offices. The Property is located approximately 330' west of Scottsdale Road, a major north-south arterial, with immediate access to public transportation, and is only 2+/- miles west of the Loop 101, both of which provide regional access. The Property is ideally situated for the live, work, play lifestyle desired in a downtown setting and supports the continued revitalization of Old Town.

<u>CD 3</u>

Foster quality design that enhances Scottsdale as a unique southwestern desert and tourism community through development review processes.

CD 3.1 Strengthen Scottsdale's economic and environmental attributes, distinctive character, and attractiveness through collaborative site planning and design.

CD 3.2 Use existing, and adopt new comprehensive polices, guidelines, and design standards for use in the design and development review process, to ensure public and private development responds to and enhances the diverse character and contexts within our Sonoran Desert community.

<u>Response</u>: In addition to the comments noted above, the proposed site layout, architectural character, and landscaping/hardscape design will respect the unique climate, vegetation, and urban context of Old Town Scottsdale. See the Scottsdale Sensitive Design Principles and Old Town Scottsdale Urban Design & Architectural Guidelines ("OTSUDAG") sections below for detailed responses regarding each principle.

<u>CD 4</u>

Enhance the design of streets and public spaces to improve Scottsdale's visual quality, experience, Sonoran Desert context, and social life.

CD 4.1 Promote contextually compatible streetscapes that correspond with the following classifications:

Urban Streetscapes encourage pedestrian comfort, safety, and accessibility using decorative elements, such as arcade-covered walkways, shade, pedestrian lighting, decorative paving and street crossings, transit shelters, seating, waste receptacles, and landscaping. Urban Streetscapes strive for equality among pedestrians, bicyclists, and automobiles in the design of the public realm.

Response: The proposed development is mindful of the pedestrian experience in Old Town and seeks to enrich it through unique building design, enhanced pedestrian connections and activated street frontages. The proposal employs pedestrian oriented design elements that include, but are not limited to, modified turning radius/larger sidewalk space, canopy covered sidewalks, street-facing windows that create an activated street frontage and architectural elements that produce a visual experience at any vantage point. Additionally, this proposal includes a rest-bit at the corner of Goldwater Boulevard and Bishop Lane to enhance pedestrian comfort. Streetlights will be designed in a manner that is appropriate within the context while providing safety for pedestrians.

<u>CD 5</u>

Promote the value and visual significance landscaping has on the character of the community.

CD 5.1 Employ appropriate heat island reduction techniques to reduce the effects of reflective heat and glare on buildings and paved surfaces.

CD 5.2 To the greatest extent possible, replace dead and dying landscaping with drought resistant plants to maintain or improve density pattern, shade, and area character.

Response: The landscape character will include predominately desert-lush design with a variety of Southwestern plants that will provide year-round color, shade, and texture for the site and demonstrated with the landscape plan. Vegetation will include plants proven to thrive in our desert climate while creating an enhanced pedestrian experience greatly improving the existing condition

of the site and enhancing the streetscape experience. The building canopy projection will provide shade over the streetscape sidewalks. The landscaped central courtyard will result in passive cooling and a reduced heat island effect.

<u>CD 6</u> Minimize light and noise pollution.

CD 6.1 Support Scottsdale's dark sky areas and designation as an Outdoor Light Control City by reducing light pollution, glare, and trespass where possible, while still attending to public safety needs.

CD 6.2 Encourage creative, energy-efficient, and high-quality designs for outdoor lighting that reflect the character of the local context.

Response: Lighting will be designed in a manner that is respectful of the surrounding Old Town context while maintaining safety for residents, guests, and visitors. The design will complement the architectural theme of the building while also acting as a tool for safe pedestrian wayfinding at night and to highlight paths leading along street frontages.

Land Use Element

<u>LU1</u>

Enhance Scottsdale's economic viability by encouraging land uses that reinforce the city's reputation as the premier international tourist destination in the Southwest and sustain the city's role as a regional cultural center and economic hub. Land uses should be compatible with Scottsdale's character and physical appearance.

LU 1.1 Encourage land uses that preserve a high quality of life and further define Scottsdale's sense of place within the region.

LU 1.3 Promote development patterns that integrate with and reinforce the character of an area. The city will continually review development patterns to ensure consistency of development in areas with fragmented or evolving patterns.

LU2

Sensitively transition and integrate land uses with the surrounding natural and built environments.

LU 2.1 Ensure neighborhood "edges" transition to one another through compatible land uses and development patterns.

Response: The Downtown District - Multiple Use Type 3 category supports a variety of land uses including, but not limited to, hotel, multiple story residential, office, retail, and restaurants consistent with the intensity of uses typically found in Old Town Scottsdale. The rezoning request to PBD will allow for the development of a 4-story residential development that is consistent with the Type 3 category. The proposal seeks to transform an infill site into a unique residential

development containing 16 multi-level units that provide an indoor/outdoor living experience. The proposed development will revitalize an underutilized site and bring additional housing, both of which serve to bolster and sustain the City's economic base. The development's proximity to employment, restaurants, and retail fosters a live, work, play lifestyle that reduces travel distances and promotes urban living.



2035 General Plan Land Use Map

<u>LU3</u> Maintain a balance of land uses to support a high quality of life.

LU 3.1 Allow for the diversity and innovative development patterns of residential uses and supporting services to provide for the needs of the community.

LU 3.2 Integrate housing, employment, and supporting infrastructure, primarily in mixed-use neighborhoods and Growth and Activity Areas, to support a jobs/ housing balance.

Resolution No. 12899 Exhibit 1 Page 10 of 89 LU 3.3 Maintain a citywide balance of land uses and consider modifications to the land use mix to accommodate changes in community vision, demographic needs, and economic sustainability.

LU 3.4 Provide an interconnected, accessible open space system, which includes pedestrian and equestrian links, recreation areas, canals, and drainage ways.

LU 3.5 Engage the community in all land use discussions.

Response: This application seeks to rezone and develop an infill site into a unique and contemporary residential development. Located within the Arts District, the proposed development is surrounded by a variety of uses including, but not limited to, restaurants, galleries, employment centers and retail, that future residents will benefit from. Adding more rooftops within the urban context will help support these uses as well as bring additional sales tax dollars, further bolstering Old Town's economic base. Meridian Art Lofts contributes towards a pedestrian oriented Old Town atmosphere by improving the pedestrian realm with activation of the adjacent street frontages (Goldwater Boulevard and Bishop Lane). Additionally, Indian Bend Wash is located less than one mile to the east of the site and offers recreation opportunities to residents. Old Town is designated as a Growth Area and integrating new residential within close proximity to support services, employment, and multimodal transportation opportunities provides a greater balance of land uses to better serve the changing needs of our community.

<u>LU4</u>

Develop context appropriate land use patterns that support a variety of compatible mobility choices and services.

LU 4.1 Integrate land uses and transportation systems to allow for a variety of mobility choices.

LU 4.2 Provide opportunities for pedestrian-oriented development, reduced parking demand, and context appropriate mobility choices.

LU 4.3 Locate regional land uses and intensities in Growth and Activity Areas to provide the greatest access to various modes of transportation.

Response: Located within the Scottsdale Arts District, the Meridian Art Lofts is ideally situated for urban living. The proposed residential development is surrounded by a variety of land uses in close proximity including, but not limited to, employment centers, restaurants, retail shops, and entertainment and recreation uses. The range of adjacent land uses and the proposal's pedestrianoriented design will encourage residents to use alternative modes of transportation, such as by foot, bicycle, bus and/or trolley. Additional access is granted by Goldwater Boulevard directly adjacent to the Property to the south, Indian School to the north and Scottsdale Road to the east, all of which are major arterials. Loop 101 lies approximately 2+/- miles east of the Property and provides regional access. Additionally, the Indian Bend Wash (a multi-use path network) is located approximately 1 mile directly east of the site and the Arizona Canal Trail is located approximately 1 mile to the north.

Old Town Districts Map



Source: Old Town Scottsdale Character Area Plan

<u>LU5</u>

Promote land use patterns that conserve resources, including land, clean air, water, and energy.

LU 5.1 Encourage a variety of compatible mixed-use land uses within or next to Growth and Activity Areas, along major streets, and within particular Character Areas to reduce automobile use and improve air quality.

LU 5.2 Concentrate greater development intensities in Growth and Activity Areas, thereby reducing development pressures in low-density areas and conserving energy.

<u>Response</u>: Integrating residences into Old Town will provide a wider range of housing choices for the residents of Scottsdale. The location of the Property near employment, restaurants, cultural amenities, and recreation opportunities is ideally situated in Old Town. This synergy of land uses and concentration of residential in a mixed-use setting inherently allows for the conservation of resources, reduced vehicle trips, and improved air quality.

Arts, Culture & Creative Community Element

<u>ACC 1</u>

Continue to support, plan for, and manage Scottsdale's arts and culture programs and facilities.

ACC 1.1 Develop, implement, and regularly update arts and cultural strategic/master plans.

ACC 1.2 Broadly engage Scottsdale community members in arts and cultural planning.

ACC 1.3 Explore various techniques to expand the space available for arts exhibits, classes, performances, and other cultural activities.

Response: As required by the PBD overlay, contributions to the Cultural Improvements Program include original works of art valued at one (1) percent of the applicable building valuation will be provided. The art requirement will either be provided onsite or paid directly to the City for public art improvements in Old Town.

The Meridian Art Lofts incorporates a unique indoor/outdoor design that was formulated to take advantage of the location in Old Town and the Arts District. The Scottsdale Arts District includes 70+/- galleries featuring the works of 1,000+/- artists along with museums, the Scottsdale Artists' School and Stagebrush Theatre. The adjacent Museum of the West features a wide range of exhibits including, but not limited to, Hopi pottery, Western paintings, bronze art and historic photographs. SMOCA is located approximately one-half mile to the east and includes a wide range of contemporary painting, drawings, photographs, and installations. Drawing upon this spirit of the area characterized by arts and culture, the project will provide a distinct, creative design that incorporates unique artistic elements unlike anything in the Arts District currently.

✤ <u>SUSTAINABILITY & ENVIRONMENT</u>

Open Space Element

<u>OS 5</u>

Provide developed open space and outdoor opportunities in Scottsdale neighborhoods, giving priority to areas that are most lacking open space.

Resolution No. 12899 Exhibit 1 Page 13 of 89 OS 5.3 Capitalize on opportunities to create new, or connect and expand existing, open spaces in established areas when redevelopment occurs.

OS 5.5 Develop a series of linked public spaces throughout downtown that are connected by pedestrian corridors.

Response: When designing the Meridian Art Lofts, the design team drew inspiration from the spirit of the Arts District. The design celebrates the Arts District through incorporating design elements that include, but are not limited to, natural light, creative landscaping compositions and artistic elements employed throughout the architectural theme. The design is conscious of the pedestrian experience and uses vegetation and unique site design to create a visual and sensory experience for residents and pedestrians greatly improving the open space streetscape.

Environmental Planning Element

<u>EP 2</u>

Demonstrate and expand the city's leadership in environmental stewardship and sustainability.

EP 2.4 Expand Scottsdale's Green Building Program to maintain regional and national leadership in green and low-impact development.

Response: The design focuses on celebrating the natural light, solar shading, and interaction with outdoor spaces through the unique unit design and central courtyard amenity. Meridian Art Lofts will use of local building material wherever possible. Environmental and sustainable building aspects will include, but not be limited to, low VOC finishes and sealants, on-site recycling, energy efficient fixtures and appliances, attention to acoustic quality, and low-water use vegetation.

<u>EP 3</u>

Participate in local and regional efforts to improve air quality.

EP 3.1 Reduce automobile emissions through traffic management; transportation improvements; promotion of a wide variety of mobility options; travel demand reduction strategies; expansion of regional connectivity; and use of electric and alternative fuel vehicles

Response: Meridian Art Lofts will include of bike racks/bike storage for residents. Access to local and regional transit (trolleys and buses) is provided along Goldwater Boulevard and Scottsdale Road. Further, the walkability of the site inherently encourages a variety of mobility options.

<u>EP 5</u>

Encourage environmentally sound green buildings and low-impact site plans that support sustainable desert living.
EP 5.2 Increase the use of green infrastructure, including low-impact development (LID) stormwater management techniques, such as curb openings and permeable pavement.

EP 5.3 Construct durable and sustainable buildings using green building principles.

EP 5.4 Promote passive solar site and building design strategies that recognize and respond to the Sonoran Desert climate.

EP 5.5 Expand Green Building construction standards to include all new and remodeled residential and commercial buildings.

<u>Response</u>: Low-impact development (LID) stormwater management techniques will be implemented. Sustainable building strategies will also be utilized as Meridian Art Lofts is required to comply with IGCC standards in compliance with the Downtown Ordinance. Passive solar and building design elements that create shade and climate relief is a key element of the building design, celebrating outdoor living spaces and the site's Old Town location .

<u>EP 7</u> Identify and reduce heat islands.

EP 7.1 Identify areas most impacted by the heat island effect, and prioritize mitigation for these areas to reduce heat impacts.

EP 7.2 Incorporate development strategies such as shared parking models and the use of "cool materials" (e.g., landscaping, green roofs, reflective pavement, heat reduction asphalt coatings, permeable concrete, and treated dirt areas) to help reduce the heat island effect.

EP 7.3 Develop and support programs, such as a Tree Canopy Plan, that identify and increase vegetation and shading in areas of high pedestrian activity.

EP 7.4 Promote the long-term management and maintenance of urban and open area vegetation and protect and expand the provision of private and public open spaces to reduce the heat island effect.

EP 7.5 Minimize asphalt and promote alternative parking surfaces.

Response: Redevelopment of the site and removal of existing gravel lot contributes to reduction of heat island. Parking will be provided in covered/shaded spaces at the ground level accessed via the alley and Bishop Lane with no new curb cuts proposed along Goldwater Boulevard. Streetscape sidewalks will be shaded with a building canopy extension along both Goldwater and Bishop.

Conservation Element

<u>CONSV 1</u>

Achieve a sustainable balance between the conservation of natural resources and development of the built environment.

CONSV 1.1 Promote local and regional public and private partnerships to reduce natural resource consumption, such as aggressive conservation, reuse, and recycling programs.

CONSV 1.4 Encourage landscape designs that promote water conservation, prevent erosion, reduce the heat island effect, and decrease stormwater runoff.

<u>Response</u>: Low-water use vegetation will promote water conservation and reduction in the heat island effect. Reuse and recycling will be promoted during construction and within the unit design of the residences emphasizing the importance of recycling efforts.

Energy Element

<u>E 2</u> Reduce per capita energy consumption and promote energy efficiency.

E 2.3 Explore emerging smart energy technologies.

E 2.4 Support development of regional waste-to-energy facilities.

E 2.5 Encourage local industries to adopt energy efficiency measures and renewable energy to minimize the environmental impacts of their operations.

<u>Response</u>: Energy efficient HVAC systems and equipment will be utilized along with energy efficient lighting, fixtures and appliances.

<u>E 3</u>

Promote building and site designs that maximize energy efficiency.

E 3.1 Encourage the use of natural properties and sustainable building systems (e.g., sun, shade, thick walls, insulation) to reduce the demand for and use of mechanical cooling and heating systems.

E 3.2 Encourage the use of drought tolerant landscaping to reduce summer solar heat gain.

E 3.3 Promote solar energy opportunities in building and site design.

E 3.4 Incorporate healthy, resource- and energy-efficient materials and methods in design, construction, and remodeling of buildings.

E 3.5 Orient buildings and lots in ways that minimize summer solar heat gain, maximize roof solar access and natural ventilation, and limit roof solar access obstructions of neighboring structures.

E 3.6 Improve the energy efficiency of the building envelope, heating and cooling systems, lighting, and appliances.

Response: Plant material will consist of drought tolerant, low water use species and use of permeable paving to increase percolation will be explored. Local building material and sustainable building techniques will be emphasized. Meridian Art Lofts offers a unique living situation unlike anything currently offered in the Arts District in Old Town. The 16 residential units will have an average size of approximately 900 square feet with approximately 350-400 square feet reserved for outdoor living space. Design focuses on distinctive building character, placemaking, and vegetated/shaded pedestrian respites. Additionally, the Property is ideally located for a live, work, play synergy synonymous with urban living with well-established cultural, entertainment and employment land uses nearby.

✤ <u>COLLABORATION & ENGAGEMENT</u>

Community Involvement Element

<u>CI 1</u>

Seek early and ongoing community involvement through broad public input in project and policy-making discussions.

CI 1.1 Maximize opportunities for early notification of proposed projects using a variety of methods.

CI 1.2 Use public involvement plans to identify and engage interested parties and provide opportunities for information exchange.

Response: Public participation and community outreach is an important part of the rezoning process. Technical Solutions began neighborhood outreach early in the process and maintains ongoing dialogue with the community and stakeholders. Feedback from one-on-one meetings, phone calls, and the required open house is shared with City Staff and memorialized in the Public Participation plan submitted with the zoning application.

✤ <u>COMMUNITY WELL-BEING</u>

Healthy Community Element

<u>HC 3</u> Build on Scottsdale's leadership role in wellness and healthful living. *HC 3.1 Provide quality recreation, community events, and neighborhood services that foster physical activity and encourage healthful living.*

HC 3.4 Continue to foster and market Scottsdale as a resort, wellness, rejuvenation, and healthcare destination.

<u>Response</u>: The Property is an ideal location with proximity to employment, cultural amenities, retail/support services, recreational opportunities, and multimodal transportation alternatives promoting healthful living and maintaining a Scottsdale lifestyle. Units are designed with abundant private outdoor living space and a central courtyard is provided for residents.

Housing Element

<u>*H* 1</u> Support diverse, safe, resource-efficient, and high-quality housing options.

H 1.2 Promote complementary physical design, building structure, landscaping, and lot layout relationships between existing and new construction.

H 1.3 Ensure community dialogue during zoning and the development review processes to encourage context-appropriate development designs.

H 1.4 Support the creation of mixed-use projects, primarily in Growth and Activity Areas, to increase housing supply withing walking distance of employment, transportation options, and services.

<u>Response</u>: Providing a variety of housing options that address the needs of multiple demographics contributes to a strong economic base.

Recreation Element

<u>R 2</u>

Provide and enhance recreational opportunities that meet the diverse needs of Scottsdale's citizens and visitors.

R 2.5 Develop and maintain a citywide interconnected network of trails to provide valuable recreation and fitness opportunities for residents and visitors. Where possible, trails should connect to neighborhoods and serve major destinations.

R 2.6 Provide multi-generational recreation programming and facilities, that consider the full spectrum of community and special social or physical needs, interests, and financial resources.

Response: The site benefits from numerous walkable opportunities throughout Old Town and is located within three-quarters of a mile from the Indian Bend Wash recreation open space system directly to the east of the Property.

Safety Element

<u>S 6</u>

Protect the health, safety, and welfare of the public from the impacts of flooding.

S 6.1 *Identify drainage system needs, and make improvements where flood control problems exist*

<u>Response</u>: A drainage report is provided with the zoning application addressing the public safety and welfare of residents with respect to drainage systems in conformance with City requirements.

✤ <u>CONNECTIVITY</u>

Circulation Element

<u>C 1</u>

Design and improve transportation corridors to safely and efficiently move people and goods.

C 1.1 Support the public transit system to assure adequate and affordable access to and within our community for citizens, employees, visitors, and businesses through the use of future technologies and micro-mobility options.

C 1.2 Coordinate transportation and land use planning to enhance an integrated, sustainable transportation system that promotes livable neighborhoods, economic vitality, safety, efficiency, mode choice, and adequate parking.

C 1.5 *Incorporate strategies and technologies that efficiently move people, improve transportation system capacity and enhance mobility choices.*

C 1.7 *Retrofit aging neighborhood infrastructure and streets and create non-motorized neighborhood connections to enhance livability, safety, accessibility, and comfort.*

Response: Located within the Scottsdale Arts District, the Meridian Art Lofts is ideally situated for urban living. The proposed residential development is surrounded by a variety of land uses in close proximity including, but not limited to, employment centers, restaurants, retail shops, and entertainment and recreation uses. The range of adjacent land uses and the proposal's pedestrianoriented design will encourage residents to use alternative modes of transportation, such as by foot, bicycle, bus and/or trolley. Additional access is granted by Goldwater Boulevard directly adjacent to the Property to the south, Indian School to the north and Scottsdale Road to the east, all of which are major arterials. Loop 101 lies approximately 2+/- miles east of the Property and provides regional access. Additionally, the Indian Bend Wash (a multi-use path network) is located approximately 1 mile directly east of the site and the Arizona Canal Trail is located approximately 1 mile to the north.

<u>Transit Routes</u>



Source: scottsdaleaz.gov/trolley

<u>C 2</u>

Reduce the number, length, and frequency of automobile trips to improve air quality, reduce traffic congestion, and enhance quality of life and the environment.

C 2.1 *Encourage a mix of land uses that will reduce the distance and frequency of automobile trips and support mobility choices.*

C 2.2 Integrate a variety of mobility choices along local and regional transportation corridors.

C 2.3 Reduce demands on transportation networks by using trip reduction strategies and travel demand management techniques, including technology and applications, telecommuting, alternative work schedules, carpooling, and transit/bicycling incentives in order to provide travelers with effective choices to improve travel reliability.

C 2.4 Work with employers to provide incentives and encouragement for trip reduction strategies.

C 2.5 Promote non-motorized travel for short neighborhood trips.

Response: As mentioned above, the Property is well-situated for regional access while also taking advantage of transit opportunities and promoting walkability. Meridian Art Lofts implements a range of General Plan goals including the integration of new high-quality, vibrant architecture, and context appropriate site planning, creating a pedestrian presence with ground level activity and shade through landscaping. The development also provides new residential options within the Old Town mixed-use context, thereby reducing trip generation. A traffic report is provided with the zoning submittal.

<u>C 3</u>

Continue to develop an effective, safe, and connected multimodal transportation system (e.g., streets, trails, bikeways, shared-use paths, transit).

C 3.2 Create a diversity of mobility choices in Growth and Activity Areas, which have the greatest intensity of development.

C 3.5 Increase accessibility to transit options through non-motorized and other transit connections, such as, neighborhood circulators; on-demand transportation network companies; improved/enhanced sidewalks, multimodal paths, bicycle lanes; and non-motorized options for the final mile to reach public transit services.

C 3.6 Create, preserve, and enhance multimodal connections between residential areas and neighborhood-supporting land uses.

<u>Response</u>: The proposed residential community is integrated in the heart of the Old Town Growth Area near employment, support services, entertainment, and cultural opportunities with multimodal transportation options. The well-located site offers convenient connectivity to residential neighborhoods and recreational opportunities as well.

<u>C 8</u>

Provide a comfortable and accessible transportation system to increase ability to reach goods, services, and activities. Many factors affect accessibility, including mobility (physical movement), the quality and affordability of transportation options, transportation system connectivity, and land use patterns.

C 8.1 *Provide pedestrian safety, comfort, and amenities that reflect streetscape design and character of an area.*

 $C \, 8.2$ Consider the needs of all community members and visitors as well as the special needs of children, seniors, and people with impaired mobility in the planning and design of the transportation system.

<u>Response</u>: The streetscape design and ground level activity will allow comfort and ease of walkability for residents, visitors and Old Town patrons. Hardscape, landscape, lighting, and wayfinding will respect the user and provide unified connectivity to the established pedestrian network. Streetscapes have been improved to encourage pedestrian comfort, safety, and accessibility with the proposal by integrating new shade canopies.

Bicycling Element

<u>*B* 1</u> *Develop continuous, accessible, and interconnected bicycle networks.*

B 1.1 *Continue to participate in regional bikeway system planning.*

B 1.2 Promote convenient connections between on-street and off-street bicycling networks throughout the city and with neighboring jurisdictions.

B 1.3 Continue to integrate bicycle lanes and buffered bicycle lanes through street restriping and other techniques.

B 1.4 Continue to expand and enhance off-street bicycling networks, and connect them to existing and planned on-street bicycle networks.

<u>Response</u>: The existing bicycle network in Old Town will provide connectivity to a range of land uses and beyond to the Indian Bend Wash and Arizona Canal path system. Bicycle racks will be provided onsite in conformance with City standards.



<u>Bikeways Map</u>

Source: Old Town Scottsdale Character Area Plan

* <u>REVITALIZATION</u>

Neighborhood Preservation & Revitalization Element

<u>NPR 1</u>

Preserve and enhance the character, identity, and quality of Scottsdale's diverse neighborhoods.

NPR 1.1 Support innovative, well-designed, sustainable building construction and rehabilitation to enhance neighborhood character and identity.

NPR 1.2 New construction and exterior remodels or renovations should sensitively address neighborhood character and transition areas.

Response: Revitalization of the site for 16 new residences brings a wide range of amenities including, but not limited to, ground level activation (vs. the current vacant condition), enhanced landscape and hardscape, shade, improved pedestrian connectivity, sensitive edge buffering, vibrant architecture, public art, placemaking and concealed resident parking. Due to unique site constraints and given its infill nature with two street frontages and an alley, the builder is requesting amended development standards to the setbacks and stepbacks. However, no increase in unit count or height is being requested with this application.

<u>NPR 5</u>

Promote neighborhood interaction to help create and maintain strong communities.

NPR 5.3 Encourage physical and social links between non-residential and residential land uses.

<u>Response</u>: Meridian Art Lofts contributes towards a pedestrian oriented Old Town atmosphere by improving the pedestrian realm. This is achieved with activation of the adjacent street frontages and implementation of a new shade canopy element and vegetative ground cover.

Conservation, Rehabilitation, & Redevelopment Element

<u>CRR 1</u>

Support high-quality, context-appropriate redevelopment, rehabilitation, and conservation to promote long-term neighborhood stability.

CRR 1.1 Support redevelopment that is sensitive to the identity and character of Scottsdale's maturing neighborhoods.

CRR 1.2 Continue strategic and proactive intervention efforts for property redevelopment, rehabilitation, and maintenance on properties beginning to show signs of decline, so as to prevent further progression of blight, distress, underutilization, or deterioration.

CRR 1.3 Support the proactive participation of affected residents and business owners during the planning and implementation of redevelopment and neighborhood conservation projects.

CRR 1.5 Protect established areas/neighborhoods by promoting context-appropriate infill development; sensitive neighborhood and property assemblage; and innovative adaptive reuse of existing community resources and historic properties.

CRR 1.6 Upgrade substandard infrastructure during redevelopment and rehabilitation projects.

Response: The revitalization of this Property for a small residential community will bring new vibrant architecture and design to a vacant, underutilized site. The design of this infill development site, which is located in the heart of Old Town, balances this new contemporary design with the surrounding architecture and historic Old Town context through building massing, materials, color and detailing while respecting the Southwestern climate. As demonstrated in the Public Participation plan submitted with the zoning application, neighborhood outreach is ongoing throughout the process to ensure dialogue with the community regarding the request.

<u>CRR 2</u>

Sustain long-term economic well-being through redevelopment, rehabilitation, and conservation.

CRR 2.1 Support and encourage public and private economic reinvestment in declining areas.

CRR 2.2 Encourage reinvestment that positively impacts the visual impressions and experiences of residents, businesses, and visitors.

CRR 2.3 Promote redevelopment and rehabilitation of older commercial areas to maintain Scottsdale's standing as one of the major retail, restaurant, and entertainment destinations within the metropolitan area.

CRR 2.4 Foster redevelopment and rehabilitation of mature employment centers to enhance Scottsdale's commercial property inventory and provide new job opportunities.

CRR 2.5 Encourage healthy, resource- and energy-efficient building materials and methods during conservation, rehabilitation, and redevelopment efforts.

Response: Revitalizing and redeveloping properties is a critical part of the economic vitality of the community as it matures and grows. Integrating additional housing options in Old Town is essential for the continuing economic growth and sustainability of Scottsdale. The project implements this General Plan goal by integrating new residences in a mixed-use setting with convenient access to employment, shops, galleries, museums, and major transportation corridors.

Growth Areas Element

<u>GA 1</u>

Direct growth in areas of the city that can support a concentration of development density and intensity, as well as a broad mix of uses.

GA 1.1 Designate Growth Areas in locations:

- With infrastructure capacity to accommodate higher levels of activity and a mix of uses;
- Where infrastructure upgrade/extension will be most cost-effective;
- With multimodal transportation access;
- Needing focused reinvestment;
- Where regional attractions exist or are planned; and/or
- That will reduce development pressures in lower-intensity areas of the city.

GA 1.3 Ensure that such development sensitively responds to neighborhoods, infrastructure, and character within and next to Growth Areas.

GA 1.5 Identify Growth and Activity Area "edges," and incorporate context-appropriate transitions between these "edges" and adjacent neighborhoods to minimize the impacts of higher-intensity development.

Response: This proposal seeks to develop an infill site into a residential development. The proximity of a variety of land uses will encourage and support transit and pedestrian activity. Activating the Property will help to sustain a thriving Old Town that minimizes focus on the automobile and encourages multimodal transportation. Integrating new residences in Old Town near employment, retail, restaurants and support services brings physical and economic synergy, that will continue to enliven and enhance Old Town consistent with the goals and policies of the General Plan and OTSCAP by offering new housing options. The building massing is designed to respectfully integrate with the surrounding building heights.

<u>GA 2</u>

Improve access to automobile, transit, and other mobility options to, from, and within Growth and Activity Areas.

GA 2.1 Coordinate a balanced multimodal circulation system that can accommodate changing demographics and patterns of development within identified Growth and Activity Areas.

<u>Response</u>: The Property is located on the corner of Bishop Lane and Goldwater approximately 330' west of Scottsdale Road and 1,800-ft south of Indian School Road, both major arterials, and is approximately 2+/- miles west of the Loop 101, all of which provide regional access. By bringing a new residential option to the Arts District, future residents will feel encouraged to use alternative modes of transportation, such as by foot, bicycle, bus and/or trolley to access adjacent retail shops, restaurants and galleries, such as the Museum of the West, Stagebrush Theatre, and the Scottsdale Artists' School. The site is also within proximity to the HonorHealth Osborn campus, Scottsdale's largest employer, and the City's civic complex including the Civic Center Library, Center for Performing Arts, SMOCA and City offices. Additionally, the Indian Bend Wash (a multi-use path network) is located approximately 1 mile east of the site and the Arizona Canal Trail is located approximately 1 mile to the north.

<u>GA 5</u>

Recognize and build on the character and diversity of Scottsdale's various Growth and Activity Areas. *GA* 5.1 Support land use compatibility with nearby neighborhoods through context- appropriate development within Growth and Activity Areas.

GA 5.2 Protect key economic and historic assets from incompatible land uses in designated Growth and Activity Areas.

GA 5.3 Support compact development patterns which minimize the need for added public facilities in Growth and Activity Areas.

GA 5.4 Promote new development, revitalization, and redevelopment within Growth and Activity Areas that maintains fiscal sustainability, promotes long-term economic development goals, and enhances quality of life.

OLD TOWN GROWTH AREA is the commercial, cultural, civic, and symbolic center of the community. Old Town includes a collection of interconnected, mixed-use districts. While one of the city's local and regional draws for shopping, dining, and entertainment, Scottsdale's Old Town is a prime tourist destination. The Old Town Growth Area, through the Old Town Scottsdale Character Area Plan, denotes locations for some of the greatest development intensity within the community. Building heights generally range between two and six stories, depending on location and district context, and may exceed six stories in certain areas identified in the Old Town Scottsdale Character Area Plan. At the center of the Old Town Growth Area is the Downtown Core. The Downtown Core, as identified, described, and defined by specific boundary in the Old Town Scottsdale Character Area Plan, is pedestrian-oriented, and includes downtown's historic legacy and heritage, specialty retail, art galleries, restaurants, public art, and the highest concentration of individually designated historic buildings found in the city. In contrast to the majority of the area, the Downtown Core is comprised of the lowest intensity of development in all of Old Town. The small-lot development pattern, active ground level land uses, and pedestrian focus of the Downtown Core are some of the primary elements that give Old Town its most identifiable character.

Response: The proposed development is contextually appropriate with respect to land use and physical improvements including massing, architecture, materials, landscape, hardscape, and lighting. The synergy of uses between the proposed residential community and existing adjacent commercial retail, medical, and employment uses will bolster the economic vitality of the area. Redeveloping and revitalizing an underutilized infill site in the heart of Old Town is key to promoting land use and economic sustainability; allowing reinvestment to strengthen the long-term success of Scottsdale.

Cost of Development Element

<u>COD 1</u>

As permitted by State Law, require development to pay its fair share of the cost of public service needs it generates.

Resolution No. 12899 Exhibit 1 Page 26 of 89 *COD 1.6 Continue to use water, water resources, and sewer development fees to ensure that new growth pays for itself without adversely impacting existing customers.*

<u>Response</u>: The development will comply with all City requirement with respect to water and sewer development fees to ensure that development pays for growth.

<u>COD 2</u>

Promote development timing guided by the adequacy of existing and/or expandable infrastructure, services, and facilities.

COD 2.2 Ensure proposed development commits to construction of primary water, wastewater, and circulation systems, as necessary, before approval.

<u>Response</u>: Consistent with City requirements, the builder has submitted water and sewer basis of design reports, as well as a traffic report, with the zoning application to ensure adequate infrastructure and transportation systems are in place to serve the proposed use.

✤ <u>INNOVATION & PROSPERITY</u>

Economic Vitality Element

<u>EV 1</u>

Foster Scottsdale's resiliency to economic change through support of our core industries (e.g., tourism, healthcare, bio/life sciences, advanced business services), assets, regional competitiveness, and economic diversity.

EV 1.2 Support retention and expansion of established businesses and provide resources for businesses to adapt to changing market conditions.

EV 1.3 Diversify Scottsdale's businesses, focusing on industries that add value to the existing economic environment.

Response: Providing a variety of housing options that address the needs of multiple demographics contributes to a strong economic base. Old Town Scottsdale and surrounding area have a growing demand for housing options in well located areas. This proposal will contribute to the long-term economic prosperity of the surrounding area by providing residents the opportunity enjoy what Old Town has to offer promoting the live, play, work lifestyle. Further, the development will help diversify the local economy and support a sustainable economic future as the City continues to grow and change.

Downtown Development Types



Source: Old Town Scottsdale Character Area Plan

III. OLD TOWN SCOTTSDALE CHARACTER AREA PLAN

Adopted by the City Council in 1984 and updated in 2009 and later in 2018, the OTSCAP acts as a guide for the future growth and development of Scottsdale's downtown area. The Downtown Multiple Use Type 3 category supports a variety of major employment and service related uses including, but not limited to, hotel, multiple story residential, office, commercial retail, and support services consistent with the intensity of uses which are typically found in Old Town Scottsdale. Revitalizing and redeveloping mature areas are a critical part of the economic vitality of the community as it matures. Thus, the proposed development of the site is essential for the continuing economic growth and sustainability of the City as a whole.

The proposed D/DMU-3 PBD DO zoning district is consistent with the General Plan and Old Town Plan land use designation for the Property. The Old Town Plan's goals and policies which relate specifically to the proposed Development Plan for the Property are identified as follows:

LAND USE

<u>Goal LU 1</u>

Maintain Old Town Scottsdale as the commercial, cultural, civic, and symbolic center of the community.

Policy LU 1.1

As a General Plan designated Mixed-Use Neighborhood, Old Town Scottsdale should offer access to multiple modes of transportation and major regional destinations, accommodate higher density housing combined with complementary office and retail uses, in vertical mixed-use structures, with a focus on pedestrian-scale architectural design at the ground level.

Policy LU 1.2

As a General Plan-designated Growth Area, Old Town should accommodate future growth, new development, and redevelopment, with increased focus on enhanced transportation and infrastructure coordination.

Policy LU 1.3

Maintain Old Town as a year-round, seven days a week, 18-hour Mixed-Use Neighborhood that supports the needs of Scottsdale's residents, businesses and visitors.

Response: The Meridian Art Lofts offers an exciting and unique living situation unlike anything currently offered in the Arts District in Old Town. The 16 residential units will have an average size of approximately 900 square feet with approximately 350-400 square feet reserved for outdoor living space. The 0.51+/- acre site is currently vacant, and this proposal utilizes a unique building configuration that maximizes the space despite the constraints created by the size. Additionally, the Property is ideally located for a live, work, play synergy synonymous with urban living with well-established cultural, entertainment and employment land uses nearby.

Goal LU 2

Encourage the development of Old Town as a collection of mixed land uses and districts.

Policy LU 2.3

Encourage new development, redevelopment and infill that strengthens Old Town Scottsdale's mix of activities through the development of mutually supportive land uses within Downtown Multiple Use areas. The majority of the properties within the Old Town Plan boundary are **Downtown Multiple Use**.

Response: The proposal seeks to develop a vacant parcel into a unique residential development that encourages an urban lifestyle. The rezoning request will allow for the revitalization of a vacant parcel that will be supported by established retail, commercial and employment uses. D/DMU-3 PBD DO zoning will allow for context appropriate Downtown development standards compared to what is currently allowed under existing zoning designation for the Property.

Goal LU 3

Continue the use of development types to guide the physical and built form of Old Town Scottsdale.

Policy LU 3.4

Support the highest scale Type 3 development generally north of the Arizona Canal, south of Main and Second Streets along both the Goldwater and Drinkwater Boulevard's southern curves, and east and west of the intersection of Scottsdale Road and Drinkwater Boulevard.

Response: The PBD overlay requested with the Meridian Art Lofts zoning application will allow for greater flexibility with the development standards for the Property. Development of the infill site into a unique residential community creates a wide range of amenities including, but not limited to, enhanced landscape and hardscape, improved pedestrian connectivity, sensitive edge buffering and vibrant architecture. Due to the site constraints (size and unique configuration), the applicant is seeking the PBD overlay to allow for flexibility.

<u>Goal LU 5</u>

Promote diversity in Old Town housing options.

Policy LU 5.1
Develop a variety of housing types such as apartments, condominiums, lofts, townhomes, patio homes, and live/work units.
Policy LU 5.2
Recognize the need for housing developments that are large scale projects with numerous units and amenities, as well as small infill projects with a limited number of units.

Response: The redevelopment of this small, infill site into a 16- unit residential development promotes the live, work, play lifestyle that contributes to the synergy of Old Town Scottsdale. The proposal meets the demand for a variety of housing types by offering a unique layout that incorporates multilevel residential units with indoor and outdoor living space.

Goal LU 6

Encourage a mix of land uses to support a walkable and sustainable downtown.

Policy LU 6.1

Encourage development to provide a mix of uses and active street frontages, particularly in the Downtown Core, along Scottsdale Road, adjacent to primary open space areas and within the more active Old Town districts. For development in peripheral areas such as the Garden District, the Scottsdale Arts District and portions of the Firth Avenue District west of Goldwater Boulevard, and the Civic Center and Brown and Stetson Districts east of 75th Street that may not be able to support a mixed of uses with active frontages, encourage features that create visual interest at the pedestrian level.

Policy LU 6.2

Support downtown sustainability by encouraging vertical mixed-use development with and uses near one another.

Policy LU 6.3

Encourage development to make use of existing urban resources such as infrastructure systems, under-utilized sites, buildings, and transportation networks.

Policy LU 6.4

Support interconnected, pedestrian oriented Old Town districts that are comprised of a balanced mix of activities and land uses within optimal walking distance (approximately one -quarter mile).

Response: The Meridian Art Lofts is located in the Scottsdale Arts District on a vacant parcel south of the Main Street galleries and within proximity to Stagebrush Theatre, the Scottsdale Artists' School, and the MOW. The location of the proposed development will lend itself to various modes of transportation, such as by foot, bicycle and/or trolley vs. car as the Property is located within one-quarter mile of numerous restaurants, cultural, employment and retail opportunities. The City's civic complex (offices, library, and museum) is located approximately one-third mile to the east and The Waterfront and Scottsdale Fashion Square mall are located approximately one-half mile to the north. The proposal employs pedestrian oriented design elements that include, but are not limited to, modified turning radius/larger sidewalk space, shade canopies, street-facing windows that create an activated street frontage and architectural elements that produce a visual experience at any vantage point.



Old Town Future Land Use Map

Source: Old Town Scottsdale Character Area Plan

CHARACTER AND DESIGN

<u>Goal CD 1</u>

Strengthen and enhance Old Town district character with contextually compatible development.

Policy CD 1.1

Incorporate the distinctive qualities and character of the surrounding, and/or evolving district context into the building and site design. *Policy CD 1.2*

Encourage public and private development to establish new urban design and architectural character in areas where downtown development patterns are fragmented or are in transition.

Response: The Meridian Art Lofts incorporates unique artistic elements within an urban context that celebrates the spirit of the Arts District yet remains consistent with the overall character of Old Town. The building design offers a unique living situation in which the average size of the residential units are approximately 900 square feet with approximately 350-400 square feet reserved for outdoor living space. This indoor/outdoor living arrangement was designed specifically to take advantage of the location synergistic downtown location. The proposal is also sensitive to pedestrian comfort and incorporates canopy-shaded sidewalks, activated street frontages and a landscaped rest-bit on the corner of Bishop Lane and Goldwater (modified turning radius). The pedestrian experience is further enhanced by interesting visuals that include contemporary architecture and lush landscaping.

Goal CD 2

Development should sensitively transition in scale, height, and intensity at the Old Town boundary and between different development types.

Policy CD 2.1

The scale of existing development adjacent to the Old Town boundary should be acknowledged and respected through a sensitive edge transition buffer. This buffer, established on a location specific basis, may include transitional development types, landscape buffers, and/or sensitive architectural design solutions to mitigate the larger building mass and height of downtown development.

Policy CD 2.2

Sensitive transition buffers between Downtown Development Types should be implemented through architectural design that steps down larger building mass and height, to lower scale development.

Response: The rezoning request to PBD requests a maximum height of 54' where 90' (84' + 6' mechanical) is allowed based on the Property size. This height is sensitive to the surrounding context and is compatible with the Type 2 developments to the south and Type 1 developments to the north. The building height of the proposed development will act as a transitional buffer between Type 2 developments to the south and taller projects to the north and west of the Property in the Type 3 Development category. For example, the adjacent Museum Square project (Case Number: 13-ZN-2018) has approved building heights of 149', 139', 135', and 75'.

Goal CD 3

Old Town development should respect and respond to the unique climate and context of the Southwestern Sonoran Desert.

Policy CD 3.1

Promote downtown urban and architectural design that is influenced by, and responds to, the character and climate of the Sonoran Desert.

Policy CD 3.2

Enhance outdoor pedestrian comfort through the creation of microclimates that incorporate a variety of shade, trees, and other drought tolerant landscape features to create passively cooler temperatures.

Policy CD 3.3

Pursue building and development strategies that reduce the heat island effect within downtown.

Policy CD 3.4

Public realm and site design should incorporate techniques for efficient water use. Water, as a landscape element or design feature, should be used judiciously and placed in locations with high pedestrian activity.

Policy CD 3.5

Encourage the use of renewable energy powered technologies that provide outdoor cooling within downtown.

Response: The landscape character of the proposed development will include a variety of plants that will provide year-round color, shade, and texture for the site. The proposed plant palette will be desert sensitive and water efficient.

Goal CD 4

Create a dynamic and connected walkable downtown through urban and architectural design.

Policy CD 4.1

Encourage urban and architectural design that addresses human scale and provides pedestrian comfort.

Policy CD 4.2

Retain and expand the tradition of covered walkways in Historic Old Town. Encourage the use of covered walkways, cantilevered awnings, and tree canopies in all other districts.

Policy CD 4.3

Improve the pedestrian experience on arterial roadways with features such as increased and consistent sidewalk width, on-street parking, landscape buffers, landscape medians, and pedestrian refuge islands.

Policy CD 4.4

Enhance the downtown pedestrian experience through the provision of pedestrian oriented banner, wayfinding, signage, and other related infrastructure.

Response: Old Town Scottsdale has cultivated the pedestrian experience through an interwoven fabric of connections enhanced by means including, but not limited to, landscaping, activated street frontages and improved walkways. The Meridian Art Lofts seeks to build upon the existing network by improving pedestrian walkways that are enhanced with shade canopies along Goldwater and Bishop, groundcover, and lighting that is context appropriate but also provides wayfinding at night. The proposal also includes a respite at the corner of Bishop Lane and Goldwater Boulevard to enhance pedestrian comfort and reinforce the character of a walkable downtown. The Property is located in a part of Old Town that offers a rich pedestrian focused environment surrounded by a range of activities along Main Street and Scottsdale Road. The proposal seeks to enrich this experience and encourage non-automotive modes of transportation.

Goal CD 5

Establish an inviting and interconnected downtown public realm and open space network that is useful, safe, interesting, and comfortable to all.

Policy CD 5.1

Provided high-quality, multi-functional open space areas within Old Town that include central gathering places, a series of smaller, intimate spaces, as well as active and passive recreational use opportunities.

Policy CD 5.2.

Private and public development should contribute to the creation of new, and/or the expansion of existing, public realm and open space areas throughout Old Town.

Policy CD 5.3

Provide a variety of public realm and open space areas that accommodate multiple activities and special events for downtown residents, visitors and workers of all ages.

Policy CD 5.4

Promote the Civic Center, Arizona Canal, and Museum of the West areas as primary downtown public open spaces for community residents and visitors. These primary public spaces should be actively programed with a variety of social, cultural, artistic and entertainment activities, and special events.

Policy CD 5.5

Improve, expand, or create new public realm and open space areas that can be enhanced by art and interactive opportunities, such as pocket art parks and temporary art trails.

Response: The proposed development features a desert-lush landscaped central courtyard. The courtyard is activated by hardscape/landscape that promotes a gathering place and inviting environment that fosters interaction in an intimate small-scale setting. Walkways around the Property will be improved, and connectivity will be provided to the newly approved Museum Square project (Case Number: 13-ZN-2018) and beyond connecting to the established Old Town pedestrian network.

Goal CD 6

Create safe, comfortable, and interesting street spaces.

Policy CD 6.1

Create a unified public realm experience through the design of downtown streets, building setback areas, and building frontages.

Policy CD 6.2

Connect downtown street spaces with other pedestrian spaces and linkages.

Policy CD 6.3

Streetscapes should provide continuity for the pedestrian across different developments along the same street. This continuity can be established through the provision of consistent landscape improvements, street tree themes, shade elements, decorative paving, street furniture, public art, and other integrated infrastructure elements.

Policy CD 6.4

Use development standards, related exceptions, and urban design guidelines regarding building location and setback to enhance the context, rhythm, and features of streetspaces. *Policy CD 6.5*

Develop walkable blocks by providing new streets, pedestrian paths, courtyards, pocket parks, and plazas that connect with other streets and public or common opens spaces.

Policy CD 6.6

Create, or maintain, a defined building location to establish the public realm with a clear visual identity, and activate storefront areas to increase pedestrian comfort.

Response: Activated street frontages create visual interest that contribute to an enhanced pedestrian experience. Improvements include, but are not limited to, improved pedestrian walkways and landscaping. Building and architectural elements serve to reinforce the character of the Arts District, which also contributes to creating interesting street spaces.

Goal CD 7

Incorporate a regional landscape palette that complements the urban and pedestrian character of Old Town.

Policy CD 7.1.

Old Town open space and landscape elements should project a desert oasis character, providing an abundance of shade, color, varied textures and forms.

Policy CD 7.2

Landscape materials should complement the built environment, land uses, and other downtown activities. Careful selection of downtown plant materials should take into account attributes such as scale, density, placement, arrangement and maintenance requirements.

Response: The landscape palette will complement the existing urban context by integrating desert-lush vegetation that provides shade, color, texture and form while providing a setting for the proposed development. Mature desert landscaping and materials will enhance the pedestrian

experience and soften the vertical and horizontal surfaces by incorporating natural shading elements. The landscape character will incorporate shrubs and hanging vegetation that will flourish in the unique urban environment while complementing the architecture and blending into the context of Old Town.

Goal CD 8

Integrally design lighting into the built environment.

Policy CD 8.1

Achieve a balance between ambient light levels and designated lighting needs to ensure safe lighting levels while reducing light pollution and glare.

Policy CD 8.2

Encourage lighting that is energy efficient and designed to serve both pedestrian and vehicular safety in public and private spaces.

Policy CD 8.3

Use lighting to provide a safe and inviting nighttime environment for residents, businesses, visitors, and nighttime special events and activities.

Response: Energy efficient lighting will be balanced to provide appropriate levels for wayfinding and building accent while respecting the existing Old Town environment.

<u>Goal CD 9</u> Implement high quality urban and architectural design in Old Town.

Policy CD 9.2

Incorporate the Scottsdale Sensitive Design Principles and the Old Town Urban Design and Architectural Guidelines in all development.

Policy CD 9.3

Achieve high quality urban and architectural design through the development review process.

Policy CD 9.4

Integrate art into downtown urban design and architecture.

Response: The Meridian Art Lofts will promote the Scottsdale Sensitive Design Principles and embrace the applicable Old Town Urban Design & Architectural Guidelines as outlined in the sections below. Taking cues from modern architectural design, indigenous building materials and native landscaping materials, the development will provide a pedestrian-oriented urban environment with a modern, contemporary aesthetic. Complementary textures, colors and materials will create strong aesthetic connections between existing and newly constructed developments while still maintaining a unique and identifiable character for the proposed development.

Goal CD 10

Incorporate sustainable building practices in Old Town development.

Policy CD 10.2

Incorporate sustainable planning, design and building techniques into downtown development and use durable indigenous materials that will endure over time, to minimize environmental and maintenance impacts.

Policy CD 10.3

Encourage green building and biophilic design strategies such as building orientation, passive solar and cooling techniques, natural daylighting, and the integration of regional plant materials as part of downtown development.

Policy 10.4

Promote the use of energy efficient systems, construction methods, and renewable energy sources in downtown development. Encourage strategies that provide multiple benefits, such as solar parking canopies.

Policy 10.6

Use existing urban resources, such as infrastructure systems, underutilized sites, buildings, and transportation networks to minimize the use of new resources.

Policy 10.7

Promote methods of water conservation, such as stormwater capture, rainwater harvesting, water reuse and passive landscaping irrigation.

Policy 10.8

Develop and maintain sustainable solid waste collection, recycling, and disposal delivery systems downtown. Encourage the use of shared waste containers and compactors among businesses to reduce the number of containers in downtown and their negative aesthetic, olfactive and circulation impacts.

Policy 10.9

Encourage downtown recycling and other waste reduction and diversion programs in civic spaces, at special events, and in commercial and multifamily residential developments.

Response: This proposal incorporates sustainable strategies to reduce environmental impact and energy consumption. The layout of the building was designed in a manner that is sensitive to solar gain. During the summer solstice, the screens of the building are designed so that shade is provided to the residential units in the summer months. During the winter solstice, the screens allow sunlight to enter the residential units, thereby providing warmth in the winter months. The building also utilizes windows with high efficiency insulated glazing and low e-coating.

Old Town Districts



Source: Old Town Scottsdale Character Area Plan

<u>Goal CD 11</u>

Infrastructure design should positively contribute to Old Town identity.

Policy CD 11.1

Design infrastructure improvements to unify the overall identity of Old Town, while still contributing to the specific district identity in which they are located.

Policy CD 11.2

Develop infrastructure improvements that positively impact the aesthetics and mobility aspects of the pedestrian environment.

Policy CD 11. 3

Underground overhead utilities, when physically and economically feasible, to reduce the negative visual impacts in the downtown.

Policy CD 11.4

Minimized the aesthetic and circulation impacts of power and communication system equipment located in rights-of-way.

Response: Infrastructure improvements will be unified within the Old Town and Scottsdale Arts District context improving the current condition and pedestrian experience in the area. Above ground mechanical will likely be minimized utilizing ground vaults, where feasible, and/or artfully screened from view through the use of decorative walls and/or landscaping buffers or other appropriate screening methods.

MOBILITY

<u>Goal M 1</u>

Develop complete streets through public and private infrastructure investments and improvements.

Policy M 1.1

Maintain a well-connected downtown circulation grid, comprised of complete streets that are designed and operated to enable safe access for all users, including pedestrians, bicyclists, motorists and transit riders of all ages and abilities. A complete street responds to its community context, and may include sidewalks, bicycle lanes and parking, bus lanes, comfortable and accessible public transit stops, frequent and safe crossing opportunities, median islands, accessible pedestrian signals, curb extensions, and narrower travel lanes to enhance connectivity for all. A complete street is also consistent with federal laws and guidelines including those pertaining to accessibility.

Policy M 1.3

Provide continuity in downtown wayfinding, through the addition of landmarks, public art, distinct streetscape improvements, maps, directions, symbols, signage and information systems for both pedestrians and motorists.

Policy M 1.4

Accommodate the movement of freight goods and services, truck delivery access and operations, solid waste collection, and emergency response vehicles on private development sites, and out of the public right-of-way, where possible.

Policy M 1.5

Encourage use of mobility options downtown, such as: transit, biking, walking, mobility share, transportation carts, pedicabs and horse-drawn carriages, particularly during special events.

Policy M 1.6

Revitalize the downtown portion of Scottsdale Road into a paseo/boulevard that facilitates circulation and access for all modes of travel, with a special emphasis on meeting pedestrian needs.

Policy M 1.7

Maintain Goldwater and Drinkwater Boulevards as the primary routes to accommodate pass-through traffic around downtown.

Response: Successful downtown revitalization and redevelopment focuses on a lively pedestrian experience that improves linkages and enhances the entire pedestrian network. The proposed development will improve pedestrian walkways along Goldwater Boulevard and Bishop Lane, which is a necessary improvement for the infill site. In addition to thoughtfully placed shade canopies, sidewalk improvements include a shaded respite on the corner of Bishop Lane and Goldwater. This will contribute to a more comfortable pedestrian experience around the Property that will successively encourage the use of the established circulation system and multi-modal transportation options available in Old Town.

<u>Goal M 2</u>

Create complete, comfortable, and attractive pedestrian circulation systems.

Policy M 2.1

Design the public realm to include wide sidewalks that accommodate meeting and passing other pedestrians, queuing, pedestrian waiting areas, street furniture, pocket parks, patio areas and other desired levels of activity.

Policy M 2.2

Encourage pedestrian oriented design that includes pedestrian comfort amenities such as trees, shade, seating, shelter, wayfinding and lighting, to encourage strolling, lingering, and promenading, especially in areas where there is a high concentration of pedestrian activity.

Policy M 2.3

Manage existing, and design future downtown transportation and related systems, with a focus on pedestrian mobility, accessibility and safety.

Policy M 2.4

Develop an attractive, interconnected network of safe and walkable pedestrian linkages to, within, and between downtown districts.

Policy M 2.5

Provide enhanced pedestrian access and connections between adjacent developments.

Response: This proposal includes pedestrian enhancements that will be a vast improvement for the infill site.

<u>Goal M 3</u>

Create a hierarchy of pedestrian spaces within Old Town.

Policy M 3.1

Develop specific downtown connections, nodes and spaces as Pedestrian Places, particularly where there is a high concentration of pedestrian activity, or where a high level of pedestrian activity is desired.

Policy M 3.2

Create a Pedestrian Supportive environment throughout the remainder of downtown. Policy M 3.3

Roadway corridors with higher traffic volumes and faster speeds, combined with larger land use setbacks, may remain Pedestrian Compatible and should include Pedestrian Supportive crossing treatments.

Policy M 3.4

Eliminate existing, and discourage new, Pedestrian Challenging environments within downtown.

Response: The Scottsdale Arts District enjoys a high level of pedestrian activity. This proposal will enhance the pedestrian experience by developing an infill site into a new residential development that blends interesting architectural elements with unique site design.

<u>Goal M 4</u>

Maintain a convenient and adequate parking supply Old Town.

Policy M 4.1

Develop a "park once" environment downtown, where users can access multiple destinations without the need to move their private vehicle.

Policy M 4.2

Create new or adjust existing parking requirements to ensure continued downtown revitalization and investment, as technologies and private vehicle user preferences evolve. Policy M 4.3

Maximize the use of the existing parking supply through a comprehensive, multi-tiered parking management program.

Response: The nature of the proposed development and the ground level parking provided contribute to the "park once environment" of Old Town. Located in the Arts District, the Meridian Art Lofts is surrounded by a variety of land uses that altogether create a live, work, play synergy that encourages a "park once environment."

<u>Goal M 5</u>

Encourage transit that provides local and regional connections to, from and within Old Town Scottsdale.

Policy M 5.1

Enhance Old Town Scottsdale's local and regional transit availability and accessibility, by emphasizing high frequency and expanded hours of service within the downtown and connections to adjacent areas.

Policy M 5.2

Locate higher density development near major transit routes and venues to facilitate increased use of downtown transit.

Policy M 5.3

Link the Old Town Trolley and other transit to existing and future local and regional transit networks to accommodate the needs of residents, employees and visitors.

Response: The Property is ideally situated to benefit from Old Town and City-wide transit options. The Scottsdale Trolley system (Morning Express, Neighborhood and Downtown trolleys) run adjacent to the Property providing access throughout Old Town and Southern Scottsdale. The existing Valley Metro Bus runs along Scottsdale Road (Route 72) providing access from Chandler/Tempe to North Scottsdale and along Indian School Road (Route 41) providing access from Granite Reef west to Phoenix.

<u>Goal M 8</u>

Promote bicycle education, safety, and enforcements.

Policy M 8.2

Incorporate safety measures at grade separations, street crossings, and intersections to minimize conflicts with vehicles, pedestrians, and other bicyclists.

Response: Safety measures will be factored into the design of street crossing and intersections to protect all modes of transportation whether walking, biking or traveling by car.

ARTS & CULTURE

Goal AC 1

Invest in current and create new opportunities to advance Old Town Scottsdale as an arts and cultural hub with regional, national, and international significance.

Policy AC 1.1
Support a diverse range of arts and culture experiences downtown.
Policy AC 1.2
Revitalize, expand and develop new arts, cultural, and educational facilities that enhance
Old Town Scottsdale's artistic landscape.
Policy AC 1.3
Crow wisting and establish new high quality signature factingle, monte and programming

Grow existing and establish new high-quality, signature festivals, events and programming that attract resident and visitor audiences and distinguish Old Town Scottsdale as a premiere arts and culture destination.

Policy AC 1.4

Continue to invest in, improve, celebrate, and promote the Scottsdale Arts District, Scottsdale Civic Center, and the Arizona Canal as prominent downtown arts and culture destinations.

Response: Scottsdale's identity and brand includes art/culture, recreation, shopping and resorts. The Meridian Art Lofts will build upon the strong art base in Old Town by providing an anchor for the west end of Old Town that includes creative, contemporary architecture and unique building design that will continue to distinguish Old Town Scottsdale as a premiere art and culture destination.

Goal AC 2

Encourage creative place-making in Old Town, where all can participate.

Policy AC 2.1

Encourage investment in public art and cultural destinations that preserve, educate, and celebrate Scottsdale's diverse history, culture, and people.

Policy AC 2.2

Serve diverse community interests by supporting a variety of monumental art pieces, emerging artists, and temporary event-based programs downtown.

Policy AC 2.3

Utilize public art to strengthen interconnectivity between downtown districts and cultural facilities through way-finding, space activation, temporary art trails, and pocket art park opportunities.

Policy AC 2.4

Facilitate public art integration into Old Town architecture and urban design.

Response: The Meridian Art Lofts seeks to celebrate Scottsdale's place as a destination for arts and culture. The proposed building design and unique residential enclave foster a community grounded in the creative setting while creating new visual experiences for pedestrians.

Goal AC 3

Promote and support initiatives that foster Old Town as an interactive arts district.

Policy AC 3.1

Animate existing private and public spaces with arts and culture, and create informal, spontaneous exhibition and performance spaces throughout the downtown.

Policy AC 3.2

Connect commercial and private art enterprises with public and non-profit arts and cultural venues in the downtown.

Policy AC 3.3

Encourage the attraction and retention of Scottsdale based non-profit arts and culture organizations in downtown.

Policy AC 3.4

Develop economic, land use, planning, and design strategies to protect and enhance arts, culture, and gallery businesses in downtown.

Policy AC3.5

Encourage continuation and expansion of innovative arts and culture programming that enriches the community.

Policy AC 3.6

Increase and promote community arts partnerships and projects that animate public spaces and provides residents, workers, and tourists with diverse arts experiences. *Policy AC 3.7*

Support work/live development in the downtown that is flexible enough to accommodate the needs of creative professionals.

Response: The Meridian Art Lofts incorporates a unique indoor/outdoor design that was formulated to take advantage of the location in Old Town and the Arts District. The Scottsdale Arts District includes 70+/- galleries featuring the works of 1,000+/- artists along with museums, the Scottsdale Artists' School and Stagebrush Theatre. The adjacent Museum of the West features a wide range of exhibits including, but not limited to, Hopi pottery, Western paintings, bronze art and historic photographs. SMOCA is located approximately one-half mile to the east and includes a wide range of contemporary painting, drawings, photographs, and installations. Drawing upon this spirit of the area characterized by arts and culture, the project will provide a distinct, creative design that incorporates unique artistic elements unlike anything in the Arts District currently.

ECONOMIC VITALITY

Goal EV 1

Support Old Town's prominent economic role as a hub for arts, culture, retailing, dining, entertainment, tourism, events, and employment.

Policy EV 1.1

Encourage land uses, activities, and special events that support downtown as a primary commercial, cultural and tourism destination, to maintain downtown's economic role in the community.

Policy EV 1.2

Promote downtown as an environment attractive to both leisure visitors and a skilled workforce.

Policy EV 1.4

Proactively address economic and social changes by examining Old Town goals on a regular basis, to ensure responsiveness to shifts in economic, social, environmental, and market conditions.

Policy EV 1.5

Appeal to residents, visitors, and workers by creating and delivering programs and services that support a high quality, year-round, successful mix of retail, dining, entertainment, emerging enterprises, and small business that contribute to Old Town's unique character.

Response: The Property is currently vacant, which can pose issues for the City in terms of financial loss and safety. Revitalizing underutilized sites is important in sustaining the City's economic base, and this proposal achieves this goal by turning an infill site into a vibrant, contemporary residential development that will bring additional tax revenue to the City. The proposed development will also create new, activated streetscapes along Goldwater Boulevard and Bishop Lane that currently do not exist, which will improve pedestrian comfort in the area.

Goal EV 2

Promote private investment in, and attract new development to, Old Town.

Policy EV 2.1

Encourage investment in residential and commercial development that ensures Old Town's economic competitiveness regionally and nationally.

Policy EV 2.2

Promote a mix of daytime/nighttime activities year-round through residential and commercial development in Old Town.

Policy EV 2.3

Encourage private investment through public-private partnerships, that utilize the shared skills and assets of each sector to deliver downtown development and community amenities.

Policy EV 2.4

Promote the retention of major downtown employers and accommodate their future expansion needs.

Policy EV 2.6

Retain, expand, and support Old Town's prominent medical campus that serves as both a major employer and community service provider.

Policy EV 2.7

Attract and retain a broad array of economic activities that widen the appeal of Old Town and strengthen the city's tax base.

Policy EV 2.8

Recognize that talent is a critical component of business location decisions, and enhance Old Town's quality of life amenities and housing choices, to appeal to a skilled workforce.

Response: Developing an infill site creates an opportunity for economic gain for the City. The proposed development will add additional rooftops to Old Town, which will bring additional sales tax and bolster Scottsdale's economic base. The proposed residential development will also serve to support nearby employers, which include HonorHealth and City of Scottsdale. Additionally, the proximity of restaurant, retail and galleries secures this location as ideal in promoting a live, work, play synergy that is found throughout Old Town.

<u>Goal EV 3</u> Embrace and explore innovative solutions to infrastructure and service delivery.

Policy EV 3.1
Adopt a smart cities strategy to pursue new technologies that will better leverage and capitalize on city assets and improve service delivery.
Policy EV 3.2
Pursue approaches to downtown parking, transportation, mobility, and public space limitations through a combination of demonstrated national best practices as well as early adoption of technology.

Response: To provide the best use of space consistent with the trends for transportation options and parking needs ample parking is provided on site. The owner is working to provide additional overflow parking offsite, even though not required.



IV. PLANNED BLOCK DEVELOPMENT (PBD)

Sec. 6.1301. Purpose. The purpose of the PBD Overlay District is to allow for development flexibility in the Downtown Area to assist the City in achieving the Downtown Plan, developing more Downtown Area public amenities, and adding land uses that would further promote the Downtown Area as a twenty-four (24) hour community.

Response: The PBD overlay designation has been requested to allow for greater development flexibility on the site. In keeping with the PBD requirements, a Development Plan has been established to specify parameters for site planning, architecture, and landscaping. The intent of the Development Plan is to define an established style, character, and design quality for the Property, while maintaining specific needs and a creative identity through future approvals by the Development Review Board (DRB). The Development Plan is intended to invoke a sense of quality and character to ensure compatible development with Scottsdale's Old Town urban character.

Summary of Proposed Property Development Standards

Gross Site Area:	21,303 (+/-) s.f. or 0.4891 (+/-) gross acres
Net Site Area:	9,683 (+/-) s.f. or 0.2223 (+/-) net acres
Building Height Allowed: 90' (84' + 6' mechanical)	
Building Height Proposed: 54' including mechanical	
Maximum GFAR:	1.4
Proposed GFAR:	0.09 (approximately 2,000 s.f.)
Density Allowed:	50 du/ac or 25 units on the 0.49-acre site
Proposed Density:	32.6 du/ac or 16 units on the 0.49-acre site
Parking Provided:	16 parking spaces
*Building Setbacks at ground level:	
Required:	
Goldwater Boulevard: 30 feet	
Bishop Lane: 20 feet	
Provided:	

Goldwater Boulevard: 14 feet (18 feet average) Bishop Lane: 14 feet

*Amended Development Standards for setbacks only due to infill location, size of site, and adjacency to two street frontages. Amendments also include exceptions for the architectural fin walls. The building is lower in height and density than what is permitted by the based Downtown development standards.

Sec. 6.1304. PBD Overlay District criteria.

 A. Before the first Planning Commission hearing on a PBD Overlay District application, the Development Review Board shall make a recommendation to the Planning Commission regarding the Development Plan based on the following criteria.
 1. Criteria for a PBD Overlay District application in a Type 1 Area:

Response: Not applicable.

2. Criteria for a PBD Overlay District application in a Type 2 or Type 2.5 Area:

Response: Not applicable.

- 3. Criteria for a PBD Overlay District application in the Type 3 Area:
 - a. The Development Plan shall reflect the goals and policies of the Character & Design Chapter of the Downtown Plan.

Response: See Old Town Scottsdale Character Area Plan – Character & Design section above for response to the applicable goals and policies.

b. The site development standards and building form shall be in conformance with the Downtown Plan Urban Design & Architectural Guidelines;

Response: See Old Town Scottsdale – Urban Design & Architectural Guidelines section.

b. The building form shall reflect the planned character of development within which the development will be located;

Response: The proposed development is compatible with existing and newly proposed architecture in the surrounding area.

d. The Development Plan shall incorporate standards for development within three hundred fifty (350) feet of the Downtown Boundary that address appropriate transitions in building heights between the proposed development and the zoning districts abutting or adjacent to the development;

Response: Not applicable.

e. The Development Plan shall incorporate standards for development within one hundred (100) feet of a Type 1 Area, Type 2 Area, and/or Type 2.5 area shall address appropriate transitions in building heights, building massing, and landscape materials between the proposed development and the Type 1 Area, Type 2 Area and/or Type 2.5 Area; **Response:** The proposed development incorporates architectural and building elements that provide variation to reduce visual impact. Thoughtfully placed screening and hanging vegetation create a vertical hierarchy that begins with a strong base and gets lighter as the eye moves up. These features provide visual interest, which also serves to reduce building impact.

f. The Development Plan shall incorporate standards for development adjacent to public streets that include sidewalks, pedestrian linkages, building forms and architectural features that address human scale and pedestrian orientation; and

Response: The design of the Meridian Art Lofts is sensitive to the pedestrian environment of Old Town and seeks to maintain this character through activated street frontages that encourage the pedestrian experience.

g. The pedestrian circulation shall be accessible and easy to navigate, and incorporate open space and pedestrian linkages to the public pedestrian circulation network.

Response: In conformance with the Old Town Scottsdale Character Area Plan, the existing network of pedestrian linkages will be enhanced with the proposed development.

B. In addition to the criteria used by the City Council to review a zoning district map amendment application, the Planning Commission shall make a recommendation to the City Council, based on the following applicable criteria:

- 1. Standard criteria:
 - a. The proposed development supports the land use elements of the General *Plan and the Downtown Plan.*

Response: The proposed development plans support the land use elements of the General Plan and Old Town Scottsdale Character Area Plan. See both sections for a discussion on the applicable goals and policies.

2. Criteria to add land uses to Table 5.3004.D., Land Uses for Each Sub-district of the Downtown District:

- a. Each proposed land use helps maintain a balance of land uses in the Downtown Area in accordance with the Downtown Plan.
- b. Each proposed land use is compatible with the adjacent development, and strengthens the mix of land uses and activities in the Downtown Area.
- c. Each proposed land use substantially implements the pedestrian oriented, twenty-four (24) hour downtown community goals of the Downtown Plan.
Response: The applicable use regulations of the Old Town/Planned Block Development district shall apply. No additional changes are requested with this application to the land use table for the Multiple Use sub-district.

- 3. Criteria to achieve bonus(es):
 - a. The proposed Development Plan reflects noteworthy investments to provide public benefits, improve the quality of life in the community, and assist in achieving the goals and policies of the General Plan, Downtown Plan and City objectives, primarily in the immediate vicinity of the neighborhood where the development will be located.

Response: Not applicable.



V. <u>OLD TOWN SCOTTSDALE – URBAN DESIGN & ARCHITECTURAL</u> <u>GUIDELINES (UDAG)</u>

ENHANCE THE PEDESTRIAN ENVIRONMENT

1. Create an interconnected, walkable downtown. (Refer to Section 5.3006 of the Scottsdale Zoning Ordinance, the DSPM, & the Americans with Disabilities Act)

Development should enhance the interconnectivity of Old Town.

- 1.1 Provide circulation connections to, from, and within a site to support pedestrian activity and other mobility options, and enhance interconnectivity within Old Town.
- 1.2 Expand the pedestrian network throughout Old Town by incorporating pedestrian links to neighboring developments through the use of covered or shaded walkways, passageways, courtyards, and plazas.
- 1.4 Design street-spaces that support the pedestrian. Incorporate pedestrian amenities such as safe, comfortable surfaces, seating, lighting, shade, landscape and hardscape, crosswalk refuge areas, and curb and sidewalk extensions into Old Town design.
- 1.5 Coordinate the design of pedestrian, auto, parking, and service areas to minimize pedestrian interruption and pedestrian-vehicular conflicts.

Response: Development of this infill site consists of a number of improvements including, but not limited to, enhanced landscape, improved pedestrian environment, shade-canopy over sidewalks, contemporary architecture, and concealed parking, all of which contribute to an interconnected, walkable downtown. A well-landscaped central courtyard element is provided for residents.



2. Maintain a consistent street edge and continuity of street-spaces. (Refer to Section 5.3006 of the Scottsdale Zoning Ordinance)

A strong street edge defines and strengthens the pedestrian experience in an urban space.

- 2.1 Align new buildings with existing buildings, and minimize the space between buildings to define a continuous building-street edge.
- 2.2 Locate the majority of building frontage to a common setback line and parallel to the street. Variations to the building setback that support the pedestrian experience may be considered.
- 2.3 Create a defined street-space where building frontages do not exist by incorporating design elements such as site walls, landscaping, overhead trellis, or covered walkway.
- 2.4 Convey a unified street appearance through the provision of complementary street furniture, paving, lighting, and landscape plantings.
- 2.5 Locate linear and rhythmic landscape planting at the street edge, and at site features such as intersections, entry drives, sidewalks, and courtyards.

Response: Street frontages are activated through ground level amenities, new sidewalks and shade canopies for pedestrians. Additionally, vertical building elements that serve to provide solar relief also contribute to an urban character.

OPEN SPACES

3. Incorporate open landscaped spaces in Old Town to encourage human interaction.

Public spaces are an extension of the community and provide a place for human interaction. When cities have thriving civic spaces, residents have a strong sense of connection to one another and the community. The design of public and private open spaces should accommodate different levels of human engagement, from short impactful experiences, to longer interactions. Allow for flexibility within these spaces to be able to provide opportunities for special events, activities, and daily interaction.

- 3.1 Provide open space for public and private outdoor activities, special events, and day-today activities. Incorporate temporary and permanent infrastructure into open space and streetscape designs to support activities and events year-round.
- 3.2 Utilize a cohesive palette of design elements such as fixtures, landscape plantings, hardscape, street furniture, and integrated infrastructure to support design continuity in downtown public spaces.
- 3.3 Design private development to complement and reinforce the design of adjacent public spaces.
- 3.4 Implement design techniques in and around open space areas to reduce the impacts of noise on sensitive uses.

Response: The proposal includes a central courtyard that serves as open space to be utilized by future residents. The building layout is designed so that residents have views of the courtyard from within the development. The desert-lush landscaping and enhanced hardscapes not only provide a pleasing visual experience, but it also serves as a backdrop for interaction and engagement among residents that will foster a unified community. The courtyard will conform with the design criteria outlined above.

4. Connect Old Town open spaces to the surrounding context.

Open spaces provide the opportunity for humans to experience the natural environment in an urban, downtown setting. Open space is of vital importance to the desirability of Old Town as a place to visit, work, or live. In addition to being attractive and vibrant places in and of themselves, Old Town open spaces need to be part of a network - or series of networks - that connect neighborhoods within and to Old Town.

- 4.1 Visually and physically connect open spaces to other spaces such as walkways, gathering and activity areas, and adjacent development sites.
- 4.5 Provide open space at intersections for pedestrian mobility and link these open spaces to other public areas.
- 4.6 When residential units occupy the ground floor, direct access to adjacent open space is encouraged.

Response: The design of the Meridian Art Lofts is sensitive to the pedestrian environment of Old Town and seeks to maintain this character through activated street frontages that encourage the pedestrian experience.

INTEGRATION INTO THE NATURAL ENVIRONMENT

5. Manage access and exposure to sunlight; provide shade.

Outdoor spaces need a balance of sun and shade, depending on location, the season, and time of day. To create livable and inviting interior and exterior spaces, provide for shade particularly during the summer and allow access to sunlight in the winter.

- 5.1 Design for filtered or reflected daylighting of new buildings.
- 5.2 Manage the seasonal solar exposure of site features through building orientation, vegetation, and architectural design.
- 5.3 Provide shade along pathways, in public and private outdoor spaces, and as part of building design.
- 5.4 Minimize, or shade, materials that absorb and retain heat. Consider utilizing materials that dissipate heat.

Response: Landscaping will include desert appropriate vegetation to create an enhanced experience for pedestrians. The building design and orientation also pays consideration to the summer and winter solstices through building elements that reduce solar gain during the summer

months and maintain solar gain during the winter months. This design, as well as other architectural elements, aim to celebrate the surrounding desert context.

6. Design with context-appropriate vegetation.

Provide vegetation that will enhance the sense of place and tie the site into the surrounding environment.

- 6.1 Emphasize a variety of drought tolerant and Sonoran Desert plants that provide water conservation, shade, seasonal color, and a variety of textures and forms.
- 6.2 Take into account mature vegetation sizes, characteristics, and maintenance requirements with site layout and design.
- 6.3 Design landscape elements and palette to relate closely to the character and function of site architecture, and coordinate with neighboring properties and adjacent public areas.
- 6.4 Utilize vegetation that is multipurpose, such as landscaping that reinforces the character of an area by providing shade, wayfinding, heat island relief, prominent site feature emphasis, and/or screens utility equipment and building service areas that are to be hidden from public view.
- 6.5 Incorporate low impact development practices into site design.

Response: The landscape palette will be sensitive to the desert context, and landscaping design will ensure efficient water use. Shrubs, ground cover, and hanging vegetation not only celebrate the Southwest but also serve to create a visual experience that reinforces the character within the Arts District.

INCORPORATION INTO THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT

7. Ensure continuity of site development.

The site plan, building arrangement, and orientation of uses should coordinate with neighboring properties.

- 7.1 Orient buildings and active uses toward streets, pedestrian corridors, and other public areas.
- 7.2 Incorporate courtyards and other outdoor spaces into site design and link them with outdoor spaces on neighboring sites, and to the street.
- 7.4 Plan for temporary and permanent public art in site and streetscape design.

Response: With the development of the Meridian Art Lofts, Goldwater Boulevard and Bishop Lane will be improved to enhance the pedestrian experience creating better connections to Main Street and beyond to The Waterfront and Scottsdale Fashion Square mall; reinforcing the overall interconnected fabric of the entire Old Town area.

- 8. Design new development to be compatible and complementary to existing development. Development compatibility helps to strengthen the continuity of character throughout Old Town.
 - 8.1 Design buildings to reflect and enhance the existing character of an area. Establish new urban design and architectural character where downtown development patterns are fragmented or evolving.
 - 8.2 Create a balance between new design elements and existing architectural features and materials.
 - 8.3 Design new development to be compatible with historic resources.
 - 8.4 Building design that incorporates corporate or user branding is discouraged.

Response: The Meridian Art Lofts will transform this vacant infill site into a unique residential development that offers vibrant, contemporary architecture in an urban setting. At a maximum height of 54', the proposed development will seamlessly blend in with the surrounding environment, including the shops and galleries to the north, and the recently approved Museum Square (Case Number: 13-ZN-2018) development to the east.

9. Minimize the visual and physical impacts of utility equipment and building service areas.

Old Town supports the function of business, resident, and visitor activities. Site and building design should minimize the visual and physical impacts of building systems, equipment, and service areas.

- 9.1 Locate building service areas so as to minimize visibility from public view, and reduce potential conflicts with on-site circulation.
- 9.2 Conceal utility equipment, such as mechanical, electrical, solar, and communications equipment, from public view, other on-site users, and neighboring properties.
- 9.3 Locate utility equipment and building service and delivery areas on the development site along the alley or within the site's interior.
- 9.4 Site planning that incorporates rideshare queuing and drop off is encouraged.
- 9.5 Consider building improvements such as lighting and signage on façades that face onto alleyways.

Response: All utilities, trash, and recycle and delivery services are contained within the site and are accessed inconspicuously. This will minimize the impact of these services so that the pedestrian experience is not interrupted.

10. Contribute to the ambiance, character, and safety of Old Town through architectural and site lighting. (Refer to Section 7.600 of the Scottsdale Zoning Ordinance).

The design of a nighttime environment that instills feelings of both safety and enjoyment is important to the economic and cultural vitality of Old Town. Lighting is a key factor in creating this urban nightscape.

- 10.1 Reinforce architectural design of a building, and the surrounding context, through complementary exterior decorative light fixtures.
- 10.2 Emphasize architectural features when illuminating building façades via concealed lighting. 10.3 Design lighting systems to minimize glare, excessive brightness, and visual hot spots; and, incorporate transitional light levels between lower and higher illuminance.
- 10.4 Encourage exterior and interior building lights that illuminate windows and doors and contribute to increasing the light levels in pedestrian areas.
- 10.5 Provide pedestrian scale lighting to supplement street lighting and combine street and pedestrian lighting on one support pole.
- 10.6 Provide evenly-distributed lighting beneath covered walkways. Fixtures that produce light at a warm color temperature are preferred (2700- 3000 Kelvin).
- 10.7 Emphasize artwork in the public realm through complementary exterior lighting. (Note: All artwork displayed in the public realm, whether luminal in nature or otherwise, is subject to review by the Scottsdale Public Art Advisory Board and/or the Development Review Board).

Response: Lighting will be designed in a manner that is consistent and sensitive within the Old Town context. The design will complement the architectural theme of the building while also acting as a tool for safe pedestrian wayfinding at night and to highlight paths leading along street frontages.

11. Utilize signage that supports Old Town character and function. (Refer to Article VIII of the Scottsdale Zoning Ordinance).

Signage should provide clear, concise, and useful information, without becoming a focal point of the aesthetic environment.

- 11.1 Incorporate signage that complements development design and the surrounding area.
- 11.2 Coordinate sign locations with building and landscape design to ensure visibility.
- 11.3 Provide permanent business signage at the primary street frontage. 11.4 Provide shingle signs under covered walkways in the Downtown Core. Locate shingle signs perpendicular to the face of the building, and at a height of no less than seven foot and six inches above the sidewalk. 11.5 Illuminate wall signs with indirect lighting from a shielded light source.
- 11.6 Illuminated cabinet signs are strongly discouraged in Old Town.

Response: Project identification will be contextually appropriate and processed under a separate approval and permit process. Signage will be placed to ensure visibility respecting the landscaping and ground level experience.

BUILDING MASS, FORM, & SCALE

12. Design buildings to complement the existing development context. (Refer to Section 5.3006 of the Scottsdale Zoning Ordinance)

New buildings should coordinate building form and height with the surrounding context.

- 12.1 Provide compatible transition in building scale, height, and mass.
- 12.2 Although new buildings may be different sizes, design the first few stories to visually relate to adjacent buildings and the surrounding context, by integrating architectural elements and design details of similar scale and proportion.
- 12.3 Locate more intense building mass, height, and activity of a development away from existing development at the Old Town boundary.
- 12.4 Utilize building form as the primary method to make compatible transitions between different Development Types, internal to the Old Town boundary. (Refer to Historic Old Town Design District section for specific guidelines relating to transitional design of new development adjacent to this Old Town district)

Response: The proposed development is requesting a maximum height of 54' while the PBD district allows for a height of 90'. This height is compatible with the surrounding context: the recently approved Museum Square project (Case Number: 13-ZN-2018) has heights up to 149'.

13. Reduce apparent building size and mass. (Refer to Section 5.3006 of the Scottsdale Zoning Ordinance)

Reduce the visual mass and height of buildings.

- 13.1 Reducing apparent size and mass of buildings through architectural design that subdivides the building into horizontal components consisting of a base, middle, and top is preferred.
- 13.2 Incorporate setbacks and stepbacks into building design to reduce their visual impact.
- 13.3 Subdivide large building mass through the addition of architectural features and material articulation.
- 13.4 Avoid long or continuous blank wall planes and monotonous wall treatments. Incorporate projections, recesses, or other architectural variation into wall planes to provide strong shadows and visual interest and help the eye divide the building into smaller parts.
- 13.5 Provide physical and visual access points every 100- to 300-feet, subdividing building mass at regular vertical intervals.

Response: The proposed development incorporates architectural and building elements that both provide a clear base, middle and top and reduce visual impact. Thoughtfully placed screening and hanging vegetation create a vertical hierarchy that begins with a strong base and gets lighter as the eye moves up. These features provide visual interest, which also serves to reduce building impact.

HIGH-RISE BUILDING DESIGN

14. Design high-rise buildings to reflect design excellence and fit within the surrounding context.

New high-rise buildings should reflect design excellence and innovation, acknowledge their important civic role in defining the image of Old Town Scottsdale, and respond to their impacts upon the urban landscape.

14.1 Design the base/podium so that it visually supports the middle/tower and top/ penthouse sections. Incorporate heavier, more textured materials, low walls, planters, wainscot, and other base treatments into the base/podium to visually anchor the structure firmly to the ground plane.

Response: At a maximum height of 54', the proposed building is not considered a "high-rise," but the design elements summarized above will ensure there is a stronger base element that gets progressively lighter as the building rises.

PARKING

15. Design parking facilities that fit within the surrounding context.

Parking facilities, as infrastructure assets, support the civic, business, and residential functions within Old Town. The design of these facilities should also contribute to the architectural and urban design of the neighborhood in which they are located.
15.1 The preferred location for structured parking is below-grade. Design underground structures to provide natural air and light.

Response: Parking for the residences will be provided in a ground floor parking structure.

ARCHITECTURAL ELEMENTS & DETAIL

16. Design building façades and architectural features to fit with the surrounding context.

Consider the prevailing architectural rhythm of the surrounding context. Add variety to the present rhythm in order to maintain or enhance visual interest, yet provide enough visual continuity through the alignment of architectural features to strengthen the design of the overall area.

16.1 Design similar floor-to-floor building heights to define the visual continuity of an area.

- 16.2 Align architectural features such as window bands, cornice lines, belt courses, moldings, and other features, as appropriate.
- 16.3 Repeat architectural elements such as covered walkways, recessed bases or similar roof forms to link existing and new development.

- 16.5 Outside of the Downtown Core, provide a continuous shaded walkway along pedestrian corridors.
- 16.6 Utilize variety in building design that integrates surface detail, articulated architectural features, and other elements that enrich character, visual interest, shadow, contrast, and color.

Response: Materials, massing and architecture are inspired by Old Town's urban context, and more specifically, the spirit of the Scottsdale Arts District.

17. Design buildings that are inviting.

- Building design should be to human scale, and add interest to the pedestrian experience. 17.1 Activate the ground floor of buildings to provide interest and a safer pedestrian environment.
- 17.2 Provide a clearly defined public entrance to the building façade that reflects the existing scale of surrounding building entrances.
- 17.3 Orient the main entrance of a building toward the street.
- 17.4 Provide frequent building entrances to minimize blank walls and other dead spaces. For Type 1 Development, incorporate at least one (1) entrance for every thirty to fifty (30-50) feet of building frontage. For Type 2, 2.5, and 3 Developments, incorporate at least one (1) entrance for every thirty to fifty (30-50) feet of building frontage, but not to exceed 100 feet.

Response: The ground level of the proposed residential building is activated with multiple access points, shade, seating, landscaping, and lighting.

MATERIALS

18. Use context-appropriate materials, colors, and textures in Old Town development.

Materials should be of high-quality, durable, easily maintained, and able to withstand the climatic conditions of the desert southwest. Materials should help tie buildings into the composition of the neighborhood. Use of local materials helps to further define sense of place.

- 18.1 Use materials with colors and coarse textures that are associated with the desert southwest.
- 18.2 Use materials that complement the existing area in texture, finish, scale, color, and other design aspects.
- 18.3 Use colors and materials that emphasize shadow patterns.
- 18.4 Reflective materials that create glare and façades that are more than 80% glass are discouraged.
- 18.5 Emphasize muted desert colors (Main Color) having a value of less than seven (7) and a chroma between three (3) and fourteen (14), as indicated in the Munsell Book of Color.

The Light Reflectance Value is to be 70% or less. Intense, saturated colors are only encouraged as accents.

- 18.6 Exterior finish materials such as concrete, brick, and tile to be left in their natural color or colored integrally, as opposed to being painted, stained or coated.
- 18.7 Natural materials are preferred over simulated materials, particularly at the ground level of buildings and other locations where direct contact by pedestrians occur.
- 18.8 Changes in paint color, building material, and/or texture that occur with a change in horizontal wall plane, or with strongly pronounced scoring, expansion joints, reveals or other similar wall details are encouraged. Abrupt changes in materials, colors, and textures are discouraged.
- 18.9 Vertically-stacked materials ordered by perceived material weight, with the "heaviest" materials at the bottom, and the "lightest" materials towards the top, are encouraged. This ordering method contributes to the appearance of the building being anchored to the ground plane, and upper levels being supported by the building base.

Response: As noted above, the building materials draw upon Old Town's urban character as well as the spirit of the Arts District. Vertical and horizontal linear elements also bring visual interest creating relief, depth and shade, which helps to reduce the overall scale and mass of the buildings.



VI. <u>SCOTTSDALE SENSITIVE DESIGN PRINCIPLES</u>

The Character and Design Element of the General Plan states that "Development should respect and enhance the unique climate, topography, vegetation and historical context of Scottsdale's Sonoran Desert environment, all of which are considered amenities that help sustain our community and its quality of life." The City has established a set of design principles, known as the <u>Scottsdale's Sensitive Design Principles</u>, to reinforce the quality of design in our community. The following Sensitive Design Principles are fundamental to the design and development of the Property. In addition to the response below, please refer to Goal CD 1 above for a specific description of the design elements.

1. The design character of any area should be enhanced and strengthened by new development.

Response: The contemporary building character will be compatible within the urban context. The proposed development will incorporate architectural elements that utilize natural light, solar shading and unique artistic elements that celebrates its location within the Scottsdale Arts District.

2. Development, through appropriate siting and orientation of buildings, should recognize and preserve established major vistas, as well as protect natural features.

Response: Although the setting of the Property within Old Town is urban and void of natural features, the proposed development is conscious of Scottsdale's Sonoran Desert environment. The proposal is sensitive to the pedestrian experience along streetscapes and pathways and provides appropriate building design and pedestrian connections.

2. Development should be sensitive to existing topography and landscaping.

Response: The Property is a vacant parcel in Old Town. All landscaping will include low water use and desert appropriate materials in conformance with established guidelines. The current topography of the site is flat and will thus be maintained.

4. Development should protect the character of the Sonoran Desert by preserving and restoring natural habitats and ecological processes.

Response: The proposed development will include desert appropriate landscaping.

5. The design of the public realm, including streetscapes, parks, plazas and civic amenities, is an opportunity to provide identity to the community and to convey its design expectations.

Response: The proposed development is sensitive to the pedestrian experience and seeks to enrich it given the variety of land uses that are in close proximity.

6. Developments should integrate alternative modes of transportation, including bicycles and bus access, within the pedestrian network that encourage social contact and interaction within the community.

Response: The Meridian Art Lofts is located within the Scottsdale Arts District and is within walking and trolley distance to a variety of land uses including employment centers, such as Honor Health and City of Scottsdale. Developing a housing option in an active city center encourages a live, work, play philosophy that reduces reliance on the automobile and fosters interaction within the community.

7. Development should show consideration for the pedestrian by providing landscaping and shading elements as well as inviting access connections to adjacent developments.

Response: The proposed development will enrich the pedestrian experience through shade canopies, landscaping, and hanging vegetation that provides a visual experience and improved walkways.

8. Buildings should be designed with a logical hierarchy of masses.

Response: The proposed development includes only one building with a maximum height of 54 feet. The proposal will utilize architecture that will be contextually appropriate and compatible with newly proposed and existing buildings in the surrounding area.

9. The design of the built environment should respond to the desert environment.

Response: The proposed development incorporates landscaping elements that provide solar relief including landscaping and hanging vegetation.

10. Developments should strive to incorporate sustainable and healthy building practices and products.

Response: Sustainable strategies and building techniques are being considered with this proposed development consistent with the City's requirements.

11. Landscape design should respond to the desert environment by utilizing a variety of mature landscape materials indigenous to the arid region.

Response: The landscape palette for the proposed development incorporates desert sensitive plants indigenous to this arid region.

12. Site design should incorporate techniques for efficient water use by providing desert adapted landscaping and preserving native plants.

Response: The proposed development will utilize a landscape palette that is low in water use while remaining consistent within the context of the surrounding area.

13. The extent and quality of lighting should be integrally designed as part of the built environment.

Response: Lighting will be designed in a manner that is respectful of the surrounding context while maintaining safety for visitors and residents.

14. Signage should consider the distinctive qualities and character of the surrounding context in terms of size, color, location and illumination.

Response: Project identification will be contextually appropriate and processed under a separate approval and permit process.

Planned Block Development

Land Uses.

The applicable use regulations of the Planned Block Development district shall apply.

Property Development Standards.

- A. The property development standards of the PBD Overlay District shall control over the property development standards of the Downtown District.
- B. Maximums for building height, GFAR and density, with bonuses, are shown on Table B.

Density, Gross F	Table B. loor Area Ratio (GFAR), an	d Building Hei	ght Maximums
Sub-district and Development Type	Building Height Maximum ⁽¹⁾	GFAR Maximum	Density Maximum (per acre of gross lot area)
Downtown Multiple Use - Type 3	90 with rooftop appurtenances 54 feet	1.4	50 32.6 dwelling units (16 units total for subject site)
Note: 1. Includes rooftop appurt	enances		

- C. Private outdoor living spaces.
 - 1. All dwelling units shall include private outdoor living space located beside the dwelling unit.
 - 2. Each private outdoor living space shall be at least six (6) feet deep and sixty (60) square feet in area.
- D. Setbacks.
 - 1. The minimum setback from public streets (except alleys) is shown in Table D. The setback is measured from the back of curb.

Table D. Minimum Setback for Buildings Adjacent to Public Streets, except alleys		
Street	Minimum Building Setback	
N. Goldwater Boulevard	30 feet 14 feet	
	Minimum Average 19 feet	
N. Bishop Lane	20 feet	
	14 feet	
Alleyways & Driveways	0 feet	

- E. Stepbacks.
 - 1. Property in the Type 3 Area: The stepback plane shall incline at a ratio of 2:1, beginning forty-five (45) **FIFTY-FOUR (54)** feet above the minimum setback from the public street (except alleys), except as identified below where no stepback shall be required.
- F. Building location.
 - 1. Building locations are conceptually shown on the development plan.
- G. Exceptions to setback and stepback standards.
 - 1. Certain exceptions to setback and stepback standards are allowed if the Development Review Board finds the exceptions conform to:
 - a. The Downtown Plan and Downtown Plan Urban Design & Architectural Guidelines; and
 - b. The sight distance requirements of the Design Standards and Policy Manual.
 - 2. Subject to design approval by the Development Review Board, the following exceptions to setback and stepback standards are allowed:
 - a. A maximum of five (5) fifteen (15) feet for cornices, eaves, parapets, architectural elements, window elements, fin walls, and fireplaces.
 - b. A maximum of seven (7) fifteen (15) feet for canopies and other covers over sidewalks, balconies and terraces.
 - c. Balcony walls and railings with a maximum inside height of forty-five (45) inches.

- d. Uncovered balconies, uncovered terraces and patios at and below grade.
- e. Covered sidewalks and uncovered terraces directly above a sidewalk.
- 3. Subject to design approval by the Development Review Board, in a Type 3 Area, a maximum fifteen (15) feet exception to stepback and setback standards above the first floor (not specified in F.2. above), is allowed for projections that:
 - a. Are less than fifty (50) percent of the length of the segment of the building façade where the projections occur; and
 - b. Are less than thirty-three (33) percent of the surface area of the segment of the building façade where the projections occur.
- 4. Subject to design approval by the Development Review Board, an exception to the stepback standard is allowed for stairwells and elevator shafts.
- H. Shaded sidewalks.
 - 1. The property owner shall provide shaded sidewalks that conform to the Downtown Plan Urban Design & Architectural Guidelines, subject to Development Review Board approval.
- I. Signs.
 - 1. The provisions of Article VIII, shall apply.
- J. Off-street parking.
 - 1. The provisions of Article IX. shall apply.
 - 2. The underground portion of the of a parking structure may be built to the property line.

K. Landscaping.

1. The provisions of Article X. shall apply.





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PUBLIC ART CANOPY **AT CONCRETE AT SIDEWALK** ENTRY @ ALLEY

DASHED LINE **INDICATES EXST** CONC CURB & **PEDESTRIAN RAMP**

NEW CONCRETE



CONSTRUCTION EXCEPT FOR THE NAME ON THESE DRAWINGS—ANY OTH





EXST CROSSWALK

30'-0" TURN RADIUS @ NEW CONC SIDEWALK

DASHED LINE INDICATES EXST CONC CURB & PEDESTRIAN[®] RAMP

ENHANCED TEXTURE AT CONCRETE DRIVEWAY ENTRANCE AT SIDEWALK NEW CONC SIDEWALK SHADE CANOPY





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BUILDING ELEVATION - NORTH 🤈

[CMU-2] EXPOSED STANDARD GREY 8-8-16 CMU BLOCK @ FIRE **SEPERATION WALL ALONG** NORTH PROPERTY LINE

DASHED LINE INDICATE UNIT WALLS BEYOND

[CMU-3] TEXTURED STANDARD GREY 8-8-16 CMU BLOCK @ FIRE SEPERATION WALL ALONG NORTH PROPERTY LINE

[CMU-1] EXPOSED 8-8-16 GROUND FACE **BLOCK CMU BLOCK**

[GLAZING FRAME + GLAZING] **BLACK ANODIZED ALUMINUM FRAME** WITH 1" INSULATED **GLAZING WITH LOW-E**

[MTL-4] PAINTED 24 GA **BRAKE METAL @ PUBLIC** ART LENTICULAR @ SHADE CANOPY

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[MTL-2] SOLID 24GA BOX RIB METAL PANEL W/ FACTORY APPLIED MATTE BLACK PAINTED FINISH

[MTL-3] PERFORATED 24GA BOX RIB METAL PANEL W/ FACTORY APPLIED MATTE BLACK PAINTED FINISH

[MTL-4] PAINTED 24 GA BROKEN METAL @ PUBLIC ART LENTICULAR @ WALL





- [MTL-4] PAINTED 24 GA BRAKE METAL @ PUBLIC ART LENTICULAR @ SHADE CANOPY

BUILDING ELEVATION - SOUTH 7

[MTL-3] PERFORATED 24GA BOX RIB METAL PANEL W/ FACTORY APPLIED MATTE BLACK PAINTED FINISH

[CMU-1] EXPOSED 8-8-16 GROUND FACE BLOCK CMU BLOCK

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[MTL-1] 24 GA FLAT SEAM METAL W/ FACTORY APPLIED MATTE BLACK PAINTED FINISH @ PROJECTING BAY WINDOW

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BUILDING ELEVATION - EAST



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BUILDING ELEVATION - NORTH 🤈

[CMU-2] EXPOSED STANDARD GREY 8-8-16 CMU BLOCK @ FIRE SEPERATION WALL ALONG NORTH PROPERTY LINE

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ADJACENT PARCEL OPENING TO BEYOND

BUILDING ELEVATION - EAST







ALLEY









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OPENING TO BEYOND

BUILDING ELEVATION - EAST





VIEW FROM GOLDWATER LOOKING NORTH



VIEW FROM GOLDWATER LOOKING NORTH







VIEW ALONG GOLDWATER




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Additional Information for:

Meridian Art Lofts

Case: 17-ZN-2020

PLANNING/DEVELOPMENT

- 1. DEVELOPMENT REVIEW BOARD. The City Council directs the Development Review Board's attention to:
 - a. Design articulation for the north façade of the building,
 - b. Structured shading solution along the street frontages,
 - c. wall design,
 - d. the type, height, design, and intensity of proposed lighting on the site, to ensure that it is compatible with the adjacent use, and
 - e. improvement plans for common open space, common buildings and/or walls, and amenities such as ramadas, landscape buffers on public and/or private property (back-of-curb to right-of-way or access easement line included)
- 3. MARSHALLING AND STORAGE YARD. Any use of the City's right-of-way, including alleys, for marshalling and/or storage shall require prior approval from the City's Transportation Department and payment applicable fees.
- 4. CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT PLAN. With the Development Review Board submittal, the property owner shall submit a Construction Management Plan, including but not limited to location(s) for construction worker parking and location for storage of construction equipment.
- 5. RESPONSIBILITY FOR CONSTRUCTION OF INFRASTRUCTURE. The developer shall be responsible for all improvements associated with the development or phase of the development and/or required for access or service to the development or phase of the development. Improvements shall include, but not be limited to washes, storm drains, drainage structures, water systems, sanitary sewer systems, curbs and gutters, paving, sidewalks, streetlights, street signs, and landscaping. The granting of zoning/use permit does not and shall not commit the city to provide any of these improvements.
- 6. EASEMENTS DEDICATED BY PLAT. The owner shall dedicate to the city on the final plat, all easements necessary to serve the site, in conformance with the Scottsdale Revised Code and the Design Standards and Policies Manual.
- 7. EASEMENTS CONVEYED BY SEPARATE INSTRUMENT. Prior to issuance of any building permit for the development project, each easement conveyed to the city separate from a final plat shall be conveyed by an instrument or map of dedication subject to city staff approval, and accompanied by a title policy in favor of the City, in conformance with the Design Standards and Policies Manual.
- 8. FEES. The construction of water and sewer facilities necessary to serve the site shall not be in-lieu of those fees that are applicable at the time building permits are granted. Fees shall include, but not be limited to the water development fee, water resources development fee, water recharge fee,







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RE: Meridian Art Lofts Traffic Statement





INTRODUCTION

Lōkahi, LLC (Lōkahi) has prepared a Traffic Statement for the proposed Meridian Art Lofts development, located on the northwest corner (NWC) of Goldwater Boulevard and Bishop Lane in Scottsdale, Arizona. See **Figure 1** for the vicinity map.

The proposed site will be comprised of 16 multi-family residential units. See Attachment A and Figure 2 for the site plan.

The objective of this Traffic Statement is to analyze the



Figure 1 - Vicinity Map

proposed development's traffic related impacts to the adjacent roadway network.

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EXISTING CONDITIONS

The approximate 0.22-acre site is currently undeveloped land and comprised of one (1) parcel. The site is currently zoned as Highway Commercial (C-3). This zoning is intended to accommodate commercial activities located along major streets to include shopping and service needs. See **Attachment B** for Maricopa County Assessor's parcel information.

The proposed development is bordered by a commercial development to the north, Goldwater Boulevard to the south, Bishop Lane to the east, and a church to the west.

Bishop Lane is a north-south roadway that provides one (1) through lane in each direction of travel. There is an unposted speed limit of 25 miles per hour (mph). On-street parking is provided on both sides of the roadway.

Goldwater Boulevard is generally a north-south roadway that provides two (2) through lanes for northbound and three (3) through lanes for southbound direction of travel, with a raised landscaped median. There is a posted speed limit of 35 mph. The City of Scottsdale classifies Goldwater Boulevard as a couplet, according to the *City of Scottsdale Transportation Master Plan*, dated July 5, 2016. The City of Scottsdale's 2020 Average Daily Segment Traffic (ADT) Volumes map reports an ADT of 11,400 vehicles per day along Goldwater Boulevard, between Indian School Road and Scottsdale Road.

COLLISION HISTORY

The City of Scottsdale's 2020 Traffic Volume and Collision Rate Data report provides collision rate and traffic volume information on major roadway segments and at major intersections within the City. Segment collisions are collisions that occur on a major street more than 100 feet from the segment's termini intersections, including those that occur at minor intersections within the segment. Intersection collisions are collisions that occur at or within 100 feet of the intersection.

The collision rate and city-wide ranking for the study roadway segment is shown in Table 1.

Segment	From	То	Collision Rate	Rank
Goldwater Boulevard	Scottsdale Road	Indian School Road	8.92	3
2020 City of 5	Scottsdale Average Segment	Collision Rate	1.36	

Table 1 – Collision Rates - Study Roadway Segment





PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT

The proposed Meridian Art Lofts residential development will be comprised of 16 multi-family residential units.

The proposed site plan indicates that there will be two (2) proposed access points to the Meridian Art Lofts development. One (1) limited-access point located along Bishop Lane and one fullaccess point (1) located along an existing alley access road, connecting to Goldwater Boulevard.

Bishop Lane and Driveway A (1) is located along Bishop Lane approximately 90 feet north of Goldwater Boulevard. This will be a



Figure 2 – Site Plan

limited access driveway to allow ingress movements only into the east side of the proposed development.

Access Road and Driveway B (2) is located along the alley access road, approximately 40 feet north of Goldwater Boulevard. This will be a full access driveway to allow all movements into and out of the west side of the proposed development.

TRIP GENERATION

The trip generation for the proposed Meridian Art Loft development and potential development under existing zoning were calculated utilizing the Institute of Transportation Engineers (ITE) publication entitled *Trip Generation*, 11th Edition. The ITE trip generation rates and fitted curve equations are based on studies that measure trip generation characteristics for various types of land uses. The rates are expressed in terms of trips per unit of land use type. This publication is the standard for the transportation engineering profession.

PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT

The trip generation for the proposed 16-unit Meridian Art Lofts development was calculated utilizing ITE Land Use 221 – Multifamily Housing (Low-Rise). Trip generation calculations are shown in **Table 2**. See **Attachment C** for detailed trip generation calculations.





Table 2 - Trip Generation (Proposed Development)

Land Use	ITE	01	Unit	Weekday	A	M Peak Ho	ur	PN	M Peak Ho	ur
Land Use	Code	Qty	Unit	Total	Total	In	Out	Total	In	Out
Multifamily Housing (Low-Rise)	220	16	Dwelling Units	108	6	1	5	8	5	3

The proposed development is anticipated to generate 108 weekday daily trips, with 6 trips occurring during the AM peak hour and 8 trips during the PM peak hour.

POTENTIAL DEVELOPMENT UNDER EXISTING ZONING

The existing site is currently zoned for Highway Commercial (C-3) land uses. The total lot area of 9,682 square feet (SF) or 0.22-acres, and a maximum floor area ratio (FAR) of 0.8, allows for 7,746 SF of developable area. However, as a conservative approach, a floor area ratio (FAR) of 0.5 was utilized to analyze two (2) potential options for development under existing zoning. It was assumed that a 4,841 SF fast-food restaurant without a drive-through window or a 4,841 SF high-turnover (sit-down) restaurant could be developed.

Utilizing ITE Land Use 933 Fast-Food Restaurant without Drive-Through Window, the trip generation for the potential development under existing zoning was calculated as shown in **Table 3**. Detailed trip generation calculations are provided in **Attachment C**.

Table 3 – Trip Generation (Existing Zoning – Option 1)

Land Use	ITE	Qty	Unit	Weekday	A	M Peak Hou	JI	P	M Peak Hou	ur
Land Use	Code	Qty	Offic	Total	Total	ln	Out	Total	In	Out
Fast-Food Restaurant without Drive- Through Window	933	4.841	1000 SF GFA	2,181	209	121	88	161	81	80

Utilizing ITE Land Use 932 High-Turnover (Sit-Down) Restaurant, the trip generation for the potential development under existing zoning was calculated as shown in **Table 4.** Detailed trip generation calculations are provided in **Attachment C.**

Table 4 – Trip Generation (Existing Zoning – Option 2)

Land Use	ITE	0	1.1	Weekday	A	M Peak Ho	ur	P	M Peak Ho	Jr
Land Use	Code	Qty	Unit	Total	Total	In	Out	Total	ln	Out
High-Turnover (Sit-Down) Restaurant	932	4.841	1000 SF GFA	519	46	25	21	44	27	17

EXISTING ZONING VS. PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT

The build out of a fast-food restaurant or a high-turnover (sit-down) restaurant are two (2) potential options for development of this site under the existing zoning, due to its convenient





corner location on the NWC of Goldwater Boulevard and Bishop Lane. A 4,841 SF fast-food restaurant or 4,841 SF high-turnover (sit-down) restaurant are separately considered for this parcel and are within industry average ranges for sizes for these types of establishments. Each option represents a FAR of 0.5 which is more conservative than the allowed maximum of 0.8.

A comparison between the trips generated at the build out under the existing zoning, for Option 1 – Fast-Food Restaurant without Drive-Through Window and Option 2 – High-Turnover (Sit-Down) Restaurant, and the proposed Meridian Art Lofts development are shown in **Table 5** and **Table 6**, respectively.

Table 5 - Trip Generation Comparison (Existing Zoning – Option 1 vs. Proposed Development)

Land Use	ITE	Otu	Unit	Weekday	A	M Peak Ho	ur	P	M Peak Hou	ur
Land Use	Code	Qty	Unit	Total	Total	In	Out	Total	ln	Out
Fast-Food Restaurant without Drive- Through Window	933	4.841	1000 SF GFA	2181	209	121	88	161	81	80
Multifamily Housing (Low-Rise)	220	16	Dwelling Units	108	6	1	5	8	5	3
			Difference		-203	-120	-83	-153	-76	-77
		%	Difference	-95%	-97%	-99%	-94%	-95%	-94%	-96%

The proposed Meridian Art Lofts development is anticipated to generate 2,073 (95%) fewer weekday daily trips, with 203 (97%) fewer trips during the AM peak hour, and 153 (95%) fewer trips during the PM peak hour than the build-out of Option 1 under existing zoning.

Table 6 - Trip Generation Comparison (Existing Zoning – Option 2 vs. Proposed Development)

Land Use	ITE	Otu	Unit	Weekday	A	M Peak Ho	٦r	P	M Peak Hou	ur
Land Use	Code	Qty	Unit	Total	Total	In	Out	Total	ln	Out
High-Turnover (Sit-Down) Restaurant	932	4.8	1000 SF GFA	519	46	25	21	44	27	17
Multifamily Housing (Low-Rise)	220	16	Dwelling Units	108	6	1	5	8	5	3
			Difference	-411	-40	-24	-16	-36	-22	-14
		%	Difference	-79%	-87%	-96%	-76%	-82%	-81%	-82%

The proposed Meridian Art Lofts development is anticipated to generate 411 (79%) fewer weekday daily trips, with 40 (87%) fewer trips during the AM peak hour, and 36 (82%) fewer trips during the PM peak hour than the build-out of Option 2 under existing zoning.





TRIP DISTRIBUTION AND ASSIGNMENT

The trip distribution procedure determines the general pattern of travel for vehicles entering and leaving the proposed development. The trip distribution and trip assignment for the proposed Meridian Art Lofts development is based on permitted movements at the proposed site driveways, and probable routes.

It was assumed that approximately 90% of the proposed Meridian Art Lofts residents will ingress the site via Goldwater Boulevard and 10% of the residents will ingress the site via Bishop Lane from the north. 100% of the proposed Meridian Art Lofts residents will egress the site via Goldwater Boulevard. The trip distribution is shown in **Attachment D**.

The trip assignment was generally based on proximity of each of the site driveways to the major roadway network routes, permitted turn movements, as well as ease and probability of use. The site generated traffic volumes are also shown in **Attachment D**.





SUMMARY

The proposed Meridian Art Lofts site is located on the NWC of Goldwater Boulevard and Bishop Lane and is comprised of a total of 16 multi-family residential dwelling units.

The proposed site plan indicates that there will be two (2) access points to the Meridian Art Lofts development. One (1) limited-access point to allow ingress only movements located along Bishop Lane and one full-access point (1) located along an existing alley access road, connecting to Goldwater Boulevard.

Trip Generation

At full build out, the proposed Meridian Art Lofts development is anticipated to generate 108 weekday trips, with 6 trips occurring during the AM peak hour and 8 trips during the PM peak hour.

A comparison between the site trips generated at the build out of the proposed multi-family site vs. the existing zoning assumed as either a 4,841 SF fast-food restaurant without a drive-through window, or a 4,841 SF high-turnover (sit-down) restaurant was calculated.

The proposed Meridian Art Lofts development is anticipated to generate 2,073 (95%) fewer weekday trips, with 203 (97%) fewer trips during the AM peak hour, and 153 (95%) fewer trips during the PM peak hour than the build-out of Option 1 under existing zoning.

The proposed Meridian Art Lofts development is anticipated to generate **411 (79%) fewer** weekday trips, with 40 (87%) fewer trips during the AM peak hour, and 36 (82%) fewer trips during the PM peak hour than the build-out of Option 2 under existing zoning.

The City of Scottsdale's 2020 Average Daily Segment Traffic Volumes map reports an ADT of 11,400 vehicles per day along Goldwater Boulevard, between Indian School Road and Scottsdale Road. With the build out of the proposed development, 108 daily trips are projected to be added onto the adjacent roadway network, of which 97 daily trips (or 0.85%) are projected to be added to Goldwater Boulevard. The existing adjacent roadway network has adequate capacity to accommodate this minimal anticipated traffic volume increase.

In conclusion, the traffic generated by the proposed Meridian Art Lofts development is anticipated to result in minimal traffic impacts to the existing roadway network and the surrounding area.





Trip Generation Calculations

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Affidavit of Posting
Required: Signed, Notarized originals. Recommended: E-mail copy to your project coordinator.
Project Under Consideration Sign (White) Public Hearing Notice Sign (Red)
Case Number:556-PA-2020
Project Name:
Location: 3600 N. Bishop Lane
Site Posting Date: September 28th, 2020
Applicant Name:
Sign Company Name: 480-585-3031 Phone Number: 480-585-3031
I confirm that the site has been posted as indicated by the Project Manager for the case as listed above. Applicant Signature $ \begin{array}{r} 0 - 28 - 2020 \\ \hline Date \end{array} $
Return completed original notarized affidavit AND pictures to the Current Planning Office no later than 14 days after your application submittal.
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CITIZEN REVIEW & NEIGHBORHOOD INVOLVEMENT REPORT Meridian Art Lofts

October 9, 2020

Overview

This Citizen Review Report is being performed in association with a request for a Zoning District Map Amendment from C-3 DO to D/DMU-3 PBD DO on an approximately .51+/- acre site located at 3600 N. Bishop Lane. The proposed project would result in a new indoor/outdoor living space community. This proposal is in conformance with the City's General Plan and Old Town Character Area Plan land use designation of Downtown Multiple Use. This Citizen Review Report will be updated throughout the process.

The entire project team is sensitive to the importance of neighborhood involvement and creating a positive relationship with property owners, residents, business owners, homeowners associations, and other interested parties. Communication with these parties will be ongoing throughout the process. Work on compiling a list of impacted and interested stakeholders and neighborhood outreach began prior to the application filing and will also continue throughout the process. Communication with impacted and interested parties has taken place with verbal, written, electronic, and door-to-door contact.

Community Involvement

The outreach team has been communicating with neighboring property owners, businesses, HOA's, and community members by telephone, oneon-one meetings, and door-to-door outreach since <u>June 2020</u>. The outreach team visited **over 60 nearby businesses and property owners** to get their feedback on the project. A majority of this feedback was favorable to this proposal.

Surrounding property owners, HOAs and other interested parties were noticed via first class mail regarding the project and provided information on a Virtual Open House that was held on Thursday, October 8, 2020. The distribution of this notification **EXCEEDED** the City's 750' radius mailing requirements as specified in the Citizen Review Checklist. A detailed description and visuals for the project were posted online as well as an opportunity for neighbors to provide comments/questions by phone or by email to the development team. The website and its accessibility date/time were posted on the Early Notification Sign on the property and the website was available for longer than the advertised time. There were 19 views of the online website. The development team did not receive any emails or phone calls with questions or comments during the advertised time. However, the development team will continue to be accessible by phone and email subsequent to the Virtual Open House to ensure that surrounding property owners and neighbors have ongoing opportunities to comment and ask questions.

A vital part of the outreach process is to allow people to express their concerns and understand issues and attempt to address them in a professional and timely matter. Again, the entire team realizes the importance of the neighborhood involvement process and is committed to communication and outreach for the project.

<u>Attachments:</u> Notification Letter Notification List Affidavit of Posting



September 25, 2020

Dear Neighbor:

We are pleased to tell you about an upcoming request (556-PA-2020) by M3 Commercial Real Estate to develop a unique indoor/outdoor living space community consisting of 16 total units on the currently vacant .51+/- acre parcel located at 3600 N. Bishop Lane. The request is for a Zoning District Map Amendment to rezone from C-3 DO to D/DMU-3 PBD DO to create this art focused living community. This special infill concept will have a central courtyard and ample outdoor living space for each unit. This proposal is in conformance with the City of Scottsdale's General Plan and Old Town Character Area Plan land use designation of Downtown Multiple Use.

In accordance with the public safety procedures during the COVID-19 crisis, we will be hosting a Virtual Open House to discuss this proposal, which will provide an online presentation about the project and provide an opportunity during a scheduled time for you to ask questions or provide comments to the project team, just as you would be able to at an in person meeting. The web link <u>www.technicalsolutionsaz.com/open-house.html</u> will be accessible on Thursday, October 8, 2020. The project team will be available on October 8, 2020 from 4:30 PM to 6 PM to respond to questions or comments. Please feel free to call (602) 957-3434 or email <u>info@technicalsolutionsaz.com</u> during that time to talk to the project team.

If you are unable to access the Virtual Open House online, please contact the neighborhood outreach team at 602-957-3434 or <u>info@technicalsolutionsaz.com</u> and we will be happy to provide you information about the proposal. The City of Scottsdale Project Coordinator for the project is Ben Moriarity, who can be reached at 480-312-2836 or <u>BMoriarity@ScottsdaleAZ.gov</u>.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

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Susan Bitter Smith President

Castro, Lorraine

From:Moriarity, BenSent:Thursday, October 15, 2020 12:55 PMTo:moe tavassoliSubject:RE: Proposed project

Mr. Tavassoli,

Thank you for your input, I will add your comments to the zoning case once it is submitted.

Ben Moriarity Planner Planning & Development Department

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7447 E Indian School Rd. Scottsdale, AZ. 85251 <u>BMoriarity@ScottsdaleAZ.gov</u> O: 480-312-2836

From: moe tavassoli <moetavassoliorientalrugs@yahoo.com>
Sent: Thursday, October 15, 2020 12:42 PM
To: Moriarity, Ben <BMoriarity@Scottsdaleaz.gov>
Subject: Proposed project

A External Email: Please use caution if opening links or attachments!

Hi Ben,

I am sending you this email to voice my strong objections to the proposed project on the corner if Bishop Lane and

Goldwater Blvd.

They are requesting a zoning amendment from C-3 DO to D/DMU-3PBD DO which will allow them to build this large structure on a small piece of land, with little to no setbacks

This would be very hazardous with traffic going in and out as it is a corner lot and there is curvature along Goldwater Blvd.

I am their direct neighbor and have owned and operated my business for over 25 years in this location. This proposal, will no doubt have a negative impact on my business. I would like my objects noted and want to be apprised in advance of any hearings related to this matter

Thank You,

Moe Tavassolli

Moe Tavassoli Oriental Rugs 3624 N. Bishop Lane Scottsdale, AZ 85014

Castro, Lorraine

From:	Moriarity, Ben
Sent:	Wednesday, November 04, 2020 4:24 PM
То:	Polly Larsen
Cc:	'moetavassoliorientalrugs@yahoo.com
Subject:	RE: Project on the corner of Bishop Lane and Goldwater

Polly and Moe,

The case was submitted today. I will add your comments to the case file. The notification requirement is to all the property owners within 750' of the site, it appears that the applicant sent the notification to the owner listed for your property, LARSEN LARSEN ENTERPRISES LLC at 4235 N MARSHALL WAY. I will send you the link to the case info page once it is created for case #17-ZN-2020.

Ben Moriarity

Planner Planning & Development Department

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7447 E Indian School Rd. Scottsdale, AZ. 85251 <u>BMoriarity@ScottsdaleAZ.gov</u> O: 480-312-2836

From: Polly Larsen <plarsen@larsengallery.com>
Sent: Wednesday, November 4, 2020 12:58 PM
To: Moriarity, Ben <BMoriarity@Scottsdaleaz.gov>
Cc: 'moetavassoliorientalrugs@yahoo.com
Subject: Project on the corner of Bishop Lane and Goldwater

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Ben

Moe Tavassoli has informed me that there is a current project that is being proposed for the corner of Bishop Lane and Goldwater that is requesting rezoning for the property. However we did not receive any notification of this project and thought legally that all businesses that would be impacted by this rezoning were to have received a letter of notification. I don't see anything on the City of Scottsdale's website concerning this rezoning either. Am I not looking at the right place? Has it already been approved? We are strongly against a project like this that will have no setbacks and will create traffic and parking issues on Bishop Lane. We currently struggle with very little parking for our clients on Bishop Lane due to the fact that all the restaurants that were built and operate on the four corners of 2nd Street and Scottsdale Road as well as the Creative Center and Beer Company were allowed to open with no parking spaces allotted so they all park on our street. Please note that we are strongly opposed to this rezoning and would request be kept informed about the project. Thank you.

Polly Larsen Larsen Gallery 3705 N. Bishop Lane Scottsdale, AZ 85251 480-941-0900 www.larsengallery.com www.larsenartauction.com sewer development fee or development tax, water replenishment district charge, pump tax, or any other water, sewer, or effluent fee.

From:	Castro, Lorraine
To:	Bloemberg, Greg
Subject:	RE: Case 17-ZN-2020 Meridian Art Lofts
Date:	Tuesday, May 16, 2023 2:57:00 PM

jckn1746@gmail.com

I will add it to the case folder.

From: NoReply <NoReply@Scottsdaleaz.gov>
Sent: Monday, May 15, 2023 12:31 PM
To: Projectinput <Projectinput@Scottsdaleaz.gov>
Subject: Case 17-ZN-2020 Meridian Art Lofts

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City Council decides to embrace light rail, I might rethink this. -- sent by Carolyn Kinville (case# 17-ZN-2020)

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SCOTTSDALE DEVELOPMENT REVIEW BOARD KIVA-CITY HALL 3939 DRINKWATER BOULEVARD SCOTTSDALE, ARIZONA Thursday, June 15, 2023

SUMMARIZED MEETING MINUTES

- **PRESENT:** Tammy Caputi, Councilwoman / Chair Joe Young, Planning Commissioner Shakir Gushgari, Design Member Doug Craig, Design Member Michal Ann Joyner, Development Member Ali Fakih, Development Member
- **ABSENT:** Jeff Brand, Vice Chair, Design Member
- STAFF:Brad CarrBryan CluffJoe PadillaGreg BloembergMark KertisJeff BarnesKarissa RodorigoFor the state of the s

CALL TO ORDER

Councilwoman Caputi called the meeting of the Development Review Board to order at 1:02 PM.

ROLL CALL

A formal roll call was conducted confirming members present as stated above.

PUBLIC COMMENT - NON-AGENDIZED ITEMS

Public Comment time is reserved for citizens to comment on non-agendized items that are within the Development Review Board's jurisdiction. No official Development Review Board action can be taken on the items.

NO SPOKEN OR WRITTEN PUBLIC COMMENT RECEIVED AT HEARING ON NON-AGENDIZED ITEMS.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

1. Identify supplemental information, if any, related to June 15, 2023, Development Review Board agenda items, and other correspondence.

* Note: These are summary minutes only. An audio/video recording of the meeting is available on the Development Review Board website at: <u>http://scottsdale.granicus.com/ViewPublisher.php?view_id=36</u>

<u>MINUTES</u>

2. Approval of the May 18, 2023 Development Review Board Regular Meeting Minutes.

BOARD MEMBER CRAIG MOVED TO APPROVE THE MAY 18, 2023 DEVELOPMENT REVIEW BOARD REGULAR MEETING MINUTES AS PRESENTED, 2ND BY BOARD MEMBER GUSHGARI. THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY IN FAVOR BY COUNCILWOMAN CAPUTI, COMMISSIONER YOUNG, BOARD MEMBERS GUSHGARI, CRAIG, JOYNER, AND FAKIH, WITH A VOTE OF SIX (6) TO ZERO (0).

CONSENT AGENDA

3. 46-DR-2022 (Marshall Four)

Request for approval of site plan, landscape plans, building elevations, and associated documents for a new four-story, mixed-use project, consisting of four residential units and 1,329 square feet of commercial floor area, on a +/- 4,500 square foot site located at 4251 N. Marshall Way, with Downtown, Retail Specialty, Type 1, Downtown Overlay (D/RS-1 DO) zoning.

Staff Contact is Greg Bloemberg, 480-312-4306 Applicant Contact is Mark Tomecak, (602) 619-7751

COUNCILWOMAN CAPUIT MOVED TO APPROVE CASE 46-DR-2022 ON THE CONSENT AGENDA, 2ND BY BOARD MEMBER JOYNER. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY IN FAVOR BY COUNCILWOMAN CAPUTI, COMMISSIONER YOUNG, BOARD MEMBERS GUSHGARI, CRAIG, JOYNER, AND FAKIH, WITH A VOTE OF SIX (6) TO ZERO (0).

4. 8-PP-2022 (Hozho at Lone Mountain)

Request for approval of a Preliminary Plat for a 7-lot residential subdivision, with Amended Development Standards, on a +/- 38-acre site located at 8223, 8291, and 8335 E. Dixileta Drive, with Single-family Residential District, Environmentally Sensitive Lands, Foothills Overlay (R1-190 ESL FO) zoning.

Staff Contact is Jeff Barnes, 480-312-2376

Applicant Contact is Laurie Castillo, (480) 562-4817

ITEM MOVED TO REGULAR AGENDA FOR PRESENTATION. BOARD MEMBER GUSHGARI MOVED TO APPROVE CASE 8-PP-2022, 2ND BY BOARD MEMBER CRAIG. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY IN FAVOR BY COUNCILWOMAN CAPUTI, COMMISSIONER YOUNG, BOARD MEMBERS GUSHGARI, CRAIG, JOYNER, AND FAKIH, WITH A VOTE OF SIX (6) TO ZERO (0).

5. 2-DR-2023 (Scottsdale & Gold Dust)

Request for approval of the site plan, landscape plans, building elevations, and associated documents for a new three-story, mixed-use development, consisting of 215 dwelling units and approximately 11,370 square feet of non-residential floor area on a +/- 4.22-acre site located at 10050 N. Scottsdale Road, with Planned Unit Development (PUD) zoning.

Staff Contact is Bryan Cluff, 480-312-2258

Applicant Contact is Paul Tuchin, (602) 910-6527

BOARD MEMBER CRAIG MOVED TO APPROVE CASE 2-DR-2023 ON THE CONSENT AGENDA, 2ND BY COUNCILWOMAN CAPUTI. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY IN FAVOR BY COUNCILWOMAN CAPUTI, COMMISSIONER YOUNG, BOARD MEMBERS GUSHGARI, CRAIG, AND JOYNER, WITH A VOTE OF FIVE (5) TO ZERO (0), WITH BOARD MEMBER FAKIH RECUSING.

REGULAR AGENDA

6. 17-ZN-2020 (Meridian Art Lofts)

Pursuant to the requirements of the Planned Block Development (PBD) overlay district, Zoning Ordinance Section 6.1304.A., the applicant is requesting a review by the Development Review Board, and subsequent recommendation to the Planning Commission, regarding the proposed Development Plan, including proposed development standards, related to a zoning district map amendment from Highway Commercial, Downtown Overlay (C-3 DO) zoning to Downtown/ Downtown Multiple Use Type-3, Planned Block Development, Downtown Overlay (D/DMU-3 PBD DO) zoning, for a proposed 16-unit residential development on a +/- 0.22-acre site located at 3600 N. Bishop Lane.

Staff Contact is Greg Bloemberg, 480-312-4306

Applicant Contact is Michele Hammond, (480) 385-2753

COUNCILWOMAN CAPUTI MOVED TO FORWARD A RECOMMENDATION OF APPROVAL TO THE PLANNING COMMISSION FOR CASE 17-ZN-2020, 2ND BY BOARD MEMBER JOYNER. THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY IN FAVOR BY COUNCILWOMAN CAPUTI, COMMISSIONER YOUNG, BOARD MEMBERS GUSHGARI, CRAIG, AND JOYNER WITH A VOTE OF FIVE (5) TO ZERO (0), WITH BOARD MEMBER FAKIH RECUSING.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss, the regular meeting of the Development Review Board adjourned at 1:49 PM.

City Notifications – Mailing List Selection Map

Meridian Art Lofts

