

July 17, 2017

Julie Wischnack
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City of Minnetonka
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Dear Ms Wischnack,

We are writing to provide a further update on the status of the Shady Oak Road Redevelopment Project that we have been working on since the fall of 2016. As we stated previously, Our team has been assessing the comments received at the two neighborhood meetings as well as the input provided from the Planning Commissioners, City Council members and city staff. We feel we are close to finalizing the modifications to the conceptual plans based on those comments (see attached new elevation and perspective looking at the north east corner of the building from the intersection of Shady Oak Road and Oak Drive Lane). We are continuing to refine these drawings, the civil drawings and the rest of the submittal requirements in order to make a formal application to the city next week.

We feel, as many of you have suggested, that converting to a flat roof and removing a few units to reduce the ends of the building to 2 story makes a significant difference in the overall scale of the building and how it will blend in with the surrounding area. We are also working on some landscaping improvements to allow for a few larger spaded trees in specific locations so we can achieve mature screening now and not wait for years to have the trees grow up.

Our goal is to respond to as many of the comments and concerns raised, but of course will not be able to address every item, but we think we have come a long way to get to a compromise that we hope is acceptable.

As part of the application we will provide a more detailed recap of the comments/concerns raised at the various meetings and how we have tried to address each one and which ones can't be addressed with this project.

Thank You


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