

## **STAFF REPORT**

## From the Department of Community Development

May 8, 2025

CASE NUMBER:

ANNX-0040-2025

**APPLICANT:** 

Matt Widner, Widner & Associates, Inc.

**REQUEST:** 

Annexation and Rezone of 19.70 acres from RAG (County) to R-TH, Townhouse Residential

LOCATION:

Main Street; Tax Map Number: 000310 033000

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION:** The applicant proposes to annex the entirety of the above-mentioned parcel into the City of Perry. It will be developed into a townhouse subdivision, if approved. The lot is proposed to be zoned R-TH, Townhouse Residential, and a portion of the lot is going to the resident just south of this parcel

There are no known covenants or restrictions on the subject property which would preclude the uses permitted in the proposed zoning district.

## STANDARDS FOR ESTABLISHING A ZONING CLASSIFICATION:

## 1. The existing land uses and zoning classifications of nearby property.

	Zoning	Land Use
North	R-1, Single-Family Residential	Undeveloped
South	R-AG (County)	Undeveloped
East	GU, Governmental Use Heritage Oaks Park	
West	PUD, Planned Unit Development Houston Springs (undeveloped)	

2. Does the proposed zoning classification comply with the Comprehensive Plan and other adopted plans applicable to the subject property?

The proposed zoning designation is compatible with the Suburban Residential character area the parcel is in. This area is characterized by a mix of housing types and walkable uses. The parcel is near a PUD development (Houston Springs) that is planned to feature similar types of housing and density once completed.

3. Are all of the uses permitted in the proposed zoning classification compatible with existing uses on adjacent and nearby properties?

The proposed zoning designation is compatible with zoning in the area. The RTH zoning allows for single-family dwelling units (townhouses) to be constructed in the existing residential area.

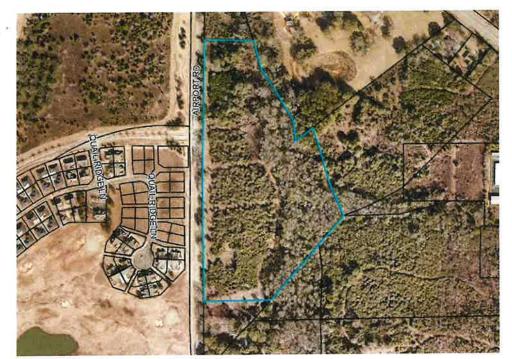
**4.** Will any of the uses permitted in the proposed zoning classification cause adverse impacts to adjacent and nearby properties?

There should be no adverse impacts on adjacent or surrounding properties. Traffic may increase as a result of the new residential units, but estimates do not exceed what is expected for this area.

- **5.** Will any of the permitted uses and density allowed in the proposed zoning classification cause an excessive burden on existing streets, utilities, city services, or schools?
  - City emergency services, streets, and schools should not be negatively impacted by this development. Proximity to a GDOT-maintained highway may require additional traffic calming measures be implemented, as determined by GDOT. Sewer capacity in the area is limited but is currently being studied to determine whether accommodation is available. Applicants are required to submit letters outlining sewer demands as part of the application process.
- **6.** Are there existing or changing conditions in the area which support either approval or disapproval of the proposed zoning classification?

The city is studying the best way to manage growth throughout the city limits. Part of that process is reviewing opportunities to annex "county island" properties into the city limits, streamlining services, sewer infrastructure, and maintaining the preferred density. Annexing and rezoning this property supports that effort.

**Staff Recommends:** Approval of the application as submitted.

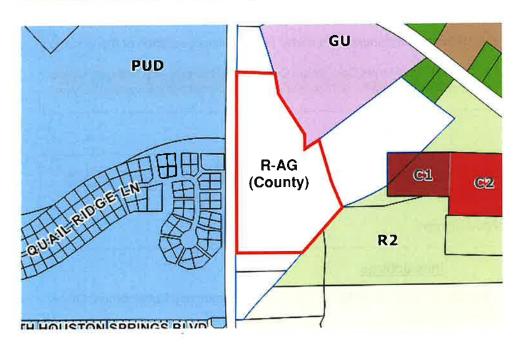


ANNX-0040-2025

0 Airport Rd

Annex and Rezone from RAG to R-TH

Aerial



Zoning



**Character Area** 



Application # ANNX 0040-2025

## **Application for Annexation**

Contact Community Development (478) 988-2720

*Applicant	*Property Owner
Matthew Widner/Widner & Associates, Inc.	KNS Place LLC - Dixie Homes LLC et a
Representative	Owner
793 Poplar St, Macon, GA 31201	1115 Morningside Dr.Perry, GA 31069
	Matthew Widner/Widner & Associates, Inc. Representative

## **Property Information**

*Street Address or Location Airport Rd				
*Tax Map #(s) 000310 033000				
*Legal Description				
A. Provide a copy of the deed as recorded in the County Courthouse, or a metes and bounds description of the land if a				
deed is not available;				
B. Provide a survey plat of the property, tied to the Georgia Planes Coordinate System. **If the property being annexed				
is a portion of a recorded parcel, the portion being annexed must be a separate recorded parcel before this application				
will be accepted as complete.**				

## Request

*Current County Zoning District RAG	*Proposed City Zoning District RTH
*Please describe the existing and proposed use of the pro	operty Note: A Site Plan and/or other information which fully
describes your proposal may benefit your application.	
Existing: Undeveloped. Proposed: Residential development	e •

#### Instructions

- The application and fee (made payable to the City of Perry) must be received by the Community Development Office
  no later than the date reflected on the attached schedule.
- 2. \*Fees:
  - a. Residential Zoning (R-Ag, R-1, R-2, R-3) \$316.00 plus \$27.00/acre
  - b. Non-residential Zoning (other than R-Ag, R-1, R-2, R-3) \$527.00 plus \$42.00/acre
- 3. \*The applicant/owner must respond to the 'standards' on page 2 of this application (The applicant bears the burden of proof to demonstrate that the application complies with these standards). See Sections 2-2 and 2-3.1 of the Land Management Ordinance for more information. You may include additional pages when addressing the standards.
- 4. The staff will review the application to verify that all required information has been submitted. The staff will contact the applicant with a list of any deficiencies which must be corrected prior to placing the application on the planning commission agenda.
- 5. Annexation applications require an informational hearing before the planning commission and a public hearing before City Council. Public notice sign(s) will be posted on the property at least 15 days prior to the scheduled hearing dates.
- 6. \*The applicant must be present at the hearings to present the application and answer questions that may arise.
- 7. \*Campaign Notice required by O.C.G.A. Section 36-67A-3: Within the past two years has the applicant made either campaign contributions and/or gifts totaling \$250.00 or more to a local government official? "Applicant" is defined as any person who applies for a rezoning action and any attorney or other person representing or acting on behalf of a person who applies for a rezoning action. Yes No X

If yes, please complete and submit a Disclosure Form available from the Community Development office.

8. The applicant and property owner affirm that all information submitted with this application, including any/all supplemental information, is true and correct to the best of their knowledge and they have provided full disclosure of the relevant facts.

9. *Signatures:	OccuSigned by:	
The state of the s	zie Homes UC William L Hudson	3/2/2025
*Property Owner/Authorize		*Date 3/2/2025

## Standards for Granting a Zoning Classification

# The applicant bears the burden of proof to demonstrate that an application complies with these standards.

Are there covenants and restrictions pertaining to the property which would preclude the uses permitted in the proposed zoning district?

See attached.

- (1) Whether the proposed zoning classification complies with the Comprehensive Plan and other adopted plans applicable to the subject property.
- (2) Whether all of the uses permitted in the proposed zoning classification are compatible with existing uses on adjacent and nearby properties.
- (3) Whether any of the uses permitted in the proposed zoning classification will cause adverse impacts to adjacent and nearby properties.
- (4) Whether any of the permitted uses and density allowed in the proposed zoning classification will cause an excessive burden on existing streets, utilities, city services, or schools.
- (5) Whether there are existing or changing conditions in the area which support either approval or disapproval of the proposed zoning classification.

Revised 1/29/2025

City of Perry 1211 Washington Street P.O. Box 2030 Perry, GA 31069



Subject: Airport Rd, Houston Co, Townhome Development

Project Number: 7317-013-01

Dear Planning Commission,

Widner & Associates respectfully requests annexation and rezoning for the proposed residential development of the property.

## Standards for Granting a Zoning Classification

(1) Whether the proposed zoning classification complies with the Comprehensive Plan and other adopted plans applicable to the subject property.

The subject property has been reviewed with City staff and complies with the previously mentioned plans.

(2) Whether all of the uses permitted in the proposed zoning classification are compatible with existing uses on adjacent and nearby properties.

Residential properties are adjacent and nearby to this proposed residential zoning.

(3) Whether any of the uses permitted in the proposed zoning classification will cause adverse impacts to adjacent and nearby properties.

The permitted uses within the proposed zoning are similar to the existing land uses along Airport Road. No adverse impacts are anticipated with the permitted uses within the proposed zoning.

(4) Whether any of the permitted uses and density allowed in the proposed zoning classification will cause an excessive burden on existing streets, utilities, city services, or schools.

The uses that are permitted within the proposed zoning allow for a development that supports more common area and green space than some other residential zoning alternatives. The development will not create excessive burden on the streets, utilities, city services, or schools.

(5) Whether there are existing or changing conditions in the area which support either approval or disapproval of the proposed zoning classification.

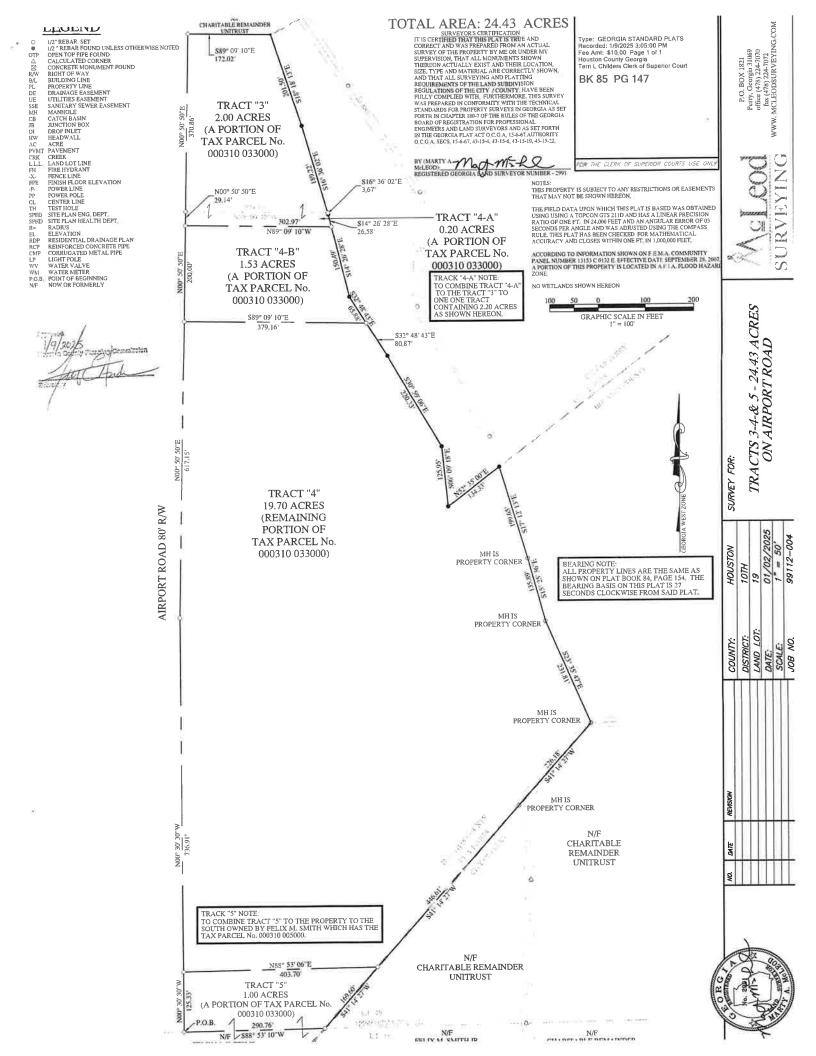
There is a need for housing.

Respectfully submitted,





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Carolyn V. Sullivan Superior Court Clerk

Participant ID(s): 7491002503,

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## LIMITED WARRANTY DEED

STATE OF TENNESSEE COUNTY OF RUTHERFORD

THIS INDENTURE, Made the \( \frac{\mathbb{g}^2}{2} \) day of August, in the year two thousand twenty-three, between

## JOSEPH M. SWANSON AS TRUSTEE OF THE CHARITABLE REMAINDER UNITRUST

of the State of Tennessee, as party of the first part, hereinafter called Grantor, and

KNS PLACE, LLC DIXIE HOMES, LLC LONE HAWK LLC

of the State of Georgia, as parties of the second part, hereinafter called Grantees (the words "Grantor" and "Grantees" to include their respective heirs, successors and assigns where the context requires or permits).

WITNESSETH THAT: Grantor, for and in consideration of the sum of TEN DOLLARS AND OTHER VALUABLE CONSIDERATIONS, in hand paid at and before the sealing and delivery of these presents, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, has granted, bargained, sold, alienated, conveyed and confirmed and by these presents does grant, bargain, sell, alien, convey and confirm unto the said Grantees, all the following described property, to wit:

SEE ATTACHED EXHIBIT "A"

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Said property is conveyed subject to all taxes and assessments for the year 2023 and subsequent years, not yet due and payable, and all rights, reservations, restrictions, covenants, conditions, easements and other matters of record that may affect such property (collectively, the "Permitted Exceptions").

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the said property, with all and singular the rights, members and appurtenances thereof, to the same being, belonging, or in anywise appertaining, to the only proper use, benefit and behoof of the said Grantees forever in FEE SIMPLE.

AND THE SAID GRANTOR warrants and will forever defend the right and title to the above described property unto the said Grantees against the claims of all persons claiming by, through or under the Grantor (excluding claims arising out of the Permitted Exceptions).

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, the Grantor has signed and sealed this deed, the day and year above written.

(SEAL)

JOSÉPH M. SWANSON AS TRUSTEE OF THE CHARITABLE REMAINDER UNITRUST

Signed, sealed and delivered in the presence of:

Notary Public

Witness

TENNESSEE NOTARY PUBLIC

STATE OF

Daniel, Lawson, Tuggle & Jerles, LLP
Attorneys At Law
P. O. Box 89
912 Main Street
Perry, GA 31049

## Exhibit "A" Legal Description

## TRACT 1

All that tract or parcel of land situate, lying and being in Land Lot 19 of the 10th Land District of Houston County, Georgia, and being known and designated as Tract 1, containing 2.43 acres, and having such shapes, metes, bounds courses and distances as are shown on a plat of survey prepared by Marty McLeod, Georgia Registered Land Surveyor No. 2991, dated August 4, 2023 and recorded in Plat Book 84, Page 153, Clerk's Office, Houston Superior Court. Said plat of survey and the recorded copy thereof are hereby made a part of this description by reference thereto.

#### TRACT 2

All that tract or parcel of land situate, lying and being in Land Lot 19 of the 10th Land District of Houston County, Georgia, and being known and designated as Tract 2, containing 1.15 acres, and having such shapes, metes, bounds courses and distances as are shown on a plat of survey prepared by Marty McLeod, Georgia Registered Land Surveyor No. 2991, dated August 4, 2023 and recorded in Plat Book 84, Page 155, Clerk's Office, Houston Superior Court. Said plat of survey and the recorded copy thereof are hereby made a part of this description by reference thereto.

#### TRACT 3

All that tract or parcel of land situate, lying and being in Land Lot 19 of the 10th Land District of Houston County, Georgia, and being known and designated as Tract 3, containing 2.00 acres, and having such shapes, metes, bounds courses and distances as are shown on a plat of survey prepared by Marty McLeod, Georgia Registered Land Surveyor No. 2991, dated August 4, 2023 and recorded in Plat Book 84, Page 154, Clerk's Office, Houston Superior Court. Said plat of survey and the recorded copy thereof are hereby made a part of this description by reference thereto.

#### TRACT 4

All that tract or parcel of land situate, lying and being in Land Lot 19 of the 10th Land District of Houston County, Georgia, and being known and designated as Tract 4, containing 21.43 acres, and having such shapes, metes, bounds courses and distances as are shown on a plat of survey prepared by Marty McLeod, Georgia Registered Land Surveyor No. 2991, dated August 4, 2023 and recorded in Plat Book 84, Page 154, Clerk's Office, Houston Superior Court. Said plat of survey and the recorded copy thereof are hereby made a part of this description by reference thereto.

## **TRACT 5**

All that tract or parcel of land situate, lying and being in Land Lot 19 of the 10th Land District of Houston County, Georgia, and being known and designated as Tract 5, containing 1.00 acres, and having such shapes, metes, bounds courses and distances as are shown on a plat of survey prepared by Marty McLeod, Georgia Registered Land Surveyor No. 2991, dated August 4, 2023 and recorded in Plat Book 84, Page 154, Clerk's Office, Houston Superior Court. Said plat of survey and the recorded copy thereof are hereby made a part of this description by reference thereto.