

**To:** John Tunstall  
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**CC:** File; Protrak  
**Date:** 6/5/2013  
**Re:** Springhill Suites PLN Comments

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The following is a list of comments for review from planning regarding the project. Please provide your corrections as listed below. Additional review will be required once all the needed documents have been provided. Items or documents not provided on initial submission will be subject to further review. Please contact me for any further questions.

Site Plan Comments:

- Reminder to label the SF for parking lot landscaping. 216 SF for single rows and 432 SF for double rows.
- A loading space is required. Please label on the site plan, not necessarily painted, but just located on the plan. I will defer to traffic if one has to be painted.
- Add date to the table in regards to required and provided landscaping such as streetyard, foundation and parking lot and interior parking landscaping.
- Is there an opportunity to consider interconnectivity to the property to the north?
- A landscaped yard ten (10) feet in width shall be required along any side of a parking lot abutting a separate parking lot, driveway, or residentially-zoned property. Plantings shall consist, at a minimum of one (1) tree of the size specified in section 18-448 every eighteen (18) to twenty seven (27) feet. The landscaped yard may be interrupted by driveway connections between parking lots. Adjacent lots that choose to share a double parking row split down the middle of a drive isle are exempt from this requirement.
- Sec. 18-60 (c) (5): Additional information is the site data table as follows:
  - Tax Parcel Identification Number
    - Reminder to update if the property is subdivided
  - Zoning:
    - Reminder to update once rezoning process is completed
- Sec. 18-60 (c) (10): Show Location and dimension of on-site pedestrian and vehicular access ways, parking areas, loading and unloading facilities, designs of ingress and egress of vehicles to and from the site onto public streets and curb and sidewalk lines.
  - Are sidewalks going to be continued to the businesses to the north and south?
  - How will pedestrian connections be shown from Ashes Drive?
- Sec. 18-60 (c) (11): Show location and dimension of all fencing and screening.
  - Show dumpster detail and gate access.
- Sec. 18-60 (c) (15): Show a proposed landscape plan.
- Show bicycle parking compliance. Each new commercial or office development requiring 25 or more auto parking spaces shall make provisions for parking a minimum of 5 bicycles. Each additional 100 auto parking spaces above the minimum 25 spaces

shall require provisions for parking of 5 additional bicycles up to a maximum of 25 bicycles. Bicycle parking facilities shall be provided within 20 feet of the primary entrance to the facility.

- Sec. 18-504: Show compliance with screening of dumpsters with living and non-living material.
  - Screening shall be a minimum of 6 feet in height along the front or corner side of any lot and 8 feet in height along any side or rear property line.
- A tree preservation/removal permit is required
- All federal, state and local permits are required prior to full construction release. This includes, but is not limited to: state storm water, state utility extension permits, wetland disturbance permits, city storm water, tree protection permits, etc.

#### Landscape Plan to Include:

- The interior area of a parking facility shall be shaded by canopy trees either planted or retained to provide twenty (20) percent or greater canopy coverage at maturity. For purposes of this section, a parking facility shall include any areas of a development devoted to pedestrian or vehicular use, including but not limited to parking areas, loading spaces, automobile sales lots, driveways and internal drive aisles. The following standards shall apply to interior parking area landscaping:
  - (a) All single planting islands measuring twelve (12) feet by eighteen (18) feet or having the equivalent square footage shall have at least one (1) tree. All double planting islands measuring twelve (12) feet by thirty-six (36) feet or having the equivalent square footage shall have at least two (2) small mature shade trees or one canopy tree. All larger planting islands will have additional trees in increments of one (1) tree for each additional two hundred (200) square feet if installing small shade trees or one (1) tree for every four hundred (400) square feet if installing canopy trees. All planting islands shall have additional ground cover or shrubbery from the approved plantings list to cover the entire landscaped island, subject to the walkway allowance as indicated below. At least seventy-five (75) percent of the trees required hereunder shall be of a large shade/canopy species as defined in the approved plantings list that have or will have at maturity a DBH of at least twelve (12) inches. Small maturing shade trees may be planted where overhead power lines would interfere with normal growth or for site design considerations, if trees are maintained in their natural form.
- For purposes of determining if the landscape plan meets the shading requirements of this section, each canopy tree of the type described in this section shall be presumed to shade a circular area of seven hundred and seven (707) square feet (based on having a canopy radius of fifteen (15) feet with the trunk of the tree as the center). When smaller shade trees are planted, each tree shall be presumed to shade a circular area of three hundred and fourteen (314) square feet (based on having a canopy radius of ten (10) feet). Perimeter trees shall be given credit for that portion of the circumference that intersects the parking area. Using this standard, twenty (20) percent of the parking facility area must have canopy coverage. For existing trees, credit shall be given for the actual canopy overhanging the parking facility. The trees counted toward meeting the shading requirement shall be indicated and calculations shall be shown on the site plan.
- The legend will need to be tweaked for your planting schedule. Can you separate into four categories: 1. Large Shade Tree 2. Small Shade tree 3. Shrubs 4. Groundcovers.
- Sec. 18-462 (a): Show date of plan preparation.
- Sec. 18-462 (b): Show project name and description of land use.
- Sec. 18-462 (c): Show property owner and mailing address.
- Sec. 18-462 (d) (1): Show a North Arrow.
- Sec. 18-462 (d) (2): Show both a graphic scale and a numeric scale
- Sec. 18-462 (d) (3): Show approximate locations, species and critical root zones of all protected trees. Groves of protected trees that will not be disturbed may be labeled as such on the map, stating the approximate number of protected trees and species mix, without specifying data on each individual tree.

- Sec. 18-462 (d) (4): Show note on plan stating that prior to any clearing, grading, or construction activity, tree protection fencing will be installed around protected trees or groves of trees. And no construction workers, tools, materials or vehicles are permitted within the tree protection fencing.
- Sec. 18-462 (d) (6): Show details of required landscaping showing species, dimensions, and spacing of planted materials and the use and protection of existing vegetation.
- Sec. 18-462 (d) (7): Show all existing and proposed utilities and if applicable, their associated elements.
- Sec. 18-462 (d) (13): Show proposed schedule for landscaping.