Village of Royal Palm Beach Village Council Agenda Item Summary

Agenda Item:

PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER LANDSCAPE WAIVER APPLICATION NO. 22-70 (LW) AND APPROVAL OF ORDER LW-23-04, AN APPLICATION BY CENTERPOINT INTEGRATED SOLUTIONS, LLC FOR CONSIDERATION OF TWO (2) LANDSCAPE WAIVERS AS FOLLOWS: (A) A WAIVER FROM SEC. 15-133 (D) TO ELIMINATE THE SINGLE TERMINAL ISLANDS AND (B) A WAIVER FROM SEC. 15-133 (E) TO ELIMINATE THE DOUBLE TERMINAL ISLANDS, FOR A PROPERTY LOCATED AT 10501 SOUTHERN BOULEVARD; BY AGENT: PARKER LANGE, OF CENTERPOINT INTEGRATED SOLUTIONS.

The applicant, CenterPoint Integrated Solutions, LLC, is requesting two (2) Landscape Waivers as follows: (a) from Sec. 15-133 (d) to eliminate the single terminal islands and allow for planting of the required plantings in adjacent landscape areas where Village Code requires single terminal islands at the beginning and end of each parking row containing the required landscaping and (b) from Sec. 15-133 (e) to eliminate the double terminal islands and allow for planting of the required plantings in adjacent landscape areas where Village Code requires double terminal islands containing the required landscaping, for a property located at 10501 Southern Boulevard.

The Applicant is proposing a 2.6 acre paved parking area that will serve as a storage area for the auction vehicles. This area will be void of any striping or terminal landscape islands.

The Applicant stated in the Justification Statement that they are requesting the Landscape Waivers because:

- "Special conditions and circumstances exist that are peculiar to the parcel of land, building or structure, that are not applicable to other parcels of land, structures or buildings in the Village. This request, as well as the overall project, is unique with respect to its location within the Village. The landscape waivers are essential to the design and success of the proposed project.";
- "The special circumstances and conditions do not result from the actions of the applicant. The applicant's business model dictates a unique and specific design for the site with larger open sales / auction vehicle storage areas for the flexibility of movement and parking/storage of vehicles.";
- "The granting of the waivers would not confer upon the applicant any special privi ege denied by the Plan or Village requirements to other parcels of land, buildings , or structures."

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- "The literal interpretation and enforcement of the terms and provisions of this Code would deprive the applicant of rights commonly enjoyed by other parcels of land in the same district and would work an unnecessary and undue hardship."; and
- "The applicant's waivers requests are fair, reasonable and demonstrate an orderly and logical pattern of development."

The Applicant has indicated to Village Staff that the other "New and used vehicle sales" establishments within the Village boundaries did not provide a minimum 3 foot high berm along their frontage on Southern Boulevard. In addition, the Applicant contends that the one (1) to one (1) ratio for Royal Palms has been approved at other locations in the Village. The Applicant also contends that the building and vehicle display area are set back rather far from the adjacent right-of-way due to the large dry retention area in front of the site.

Village Staff is not in support of this Waiver request because Staff believes that there are multiple other car dealerships with similar circumstances that have provide these landscape terminal islands. Furthermore Section 2-75.28 subpart (c) *Landscape and Site Treatment* outlines the review criteria for Landscape Plans which are as follows:

- 1. Where existing topographic patterns contribute to beauty and utility of a development, they shall be preserved and developed.
- 2. Grades of walks, parking spaces, terraces and other paved areas shall provide an inviting and stable appearance.
- 3. Landscape treatment shall be provided to enhance architectural features, strengthen vistas and provide shade.
- 4. In locations where plants will be susceptible to injury by pedestrian or motor traffic, they shall be protected by appropriate curbs, tree guards, or other devices, wherever possible.
- 5. Where building sites limit planting, the placement of trees or shrubs in parkways or paved areas is encouraged.
- 6. Screening of service yards and other places which tend to be unsightly, shall be accomplished by the use of walls, fencing, planting, or combinations of these. Screening shall be effective in winter and summer.
- 7. In areas where general planting will not prosper, other materials such as fences, walls and paving of wood, brick, stone, rocks and gravel shall be used.
- 8. Exterior lighting, when used, should enhance the building design and the adjoining landscape. Lighting standards and fixtures shall be of a design and size compatible with the building and adjacent areas. Lighting should be shielded, and restrained in design. Excessive brightness, flashing lights, and brilliant colors should be avoided.

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Village Staff contends that the proposed 2.6 acre asphalt parking field does not meet the review criteria for Landscape Plans in that the proposed parking field is void of any landscaping which does not promote an inviting and stable appearance (criterion #2); is void of any landscaping to provide shade (criterion #3); and is void of trees and shrubs in paved areas (criterion #5).

The Planning & Zoning Commission considered this item on August 14, 2023 and recommended Denial by a vote of 3 to 2, with Commissioner Lauren McClellan and Alternate #1 Kara Dery dissenting.

Recommended Action:

Staff is recommending Denial of Application No. 22-70 (LW) and Order LW-23-04.

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ORDER OF THE VILLAGE COUNCIL VILLAGE OF ROYAL PALM BEACH

Chapter 15. Landscape Waiver

CASE NO. LW-23-04

IN RE: Application No. 22-70(LW) - Carmax @ 10501 Southern Boulevard

Legal Description:

Attached as Exhibit "A"

ORDER APPROVING APPLICATION

This cause came to be heard upon the above application and the Royal Palm Beach Village Council having considered the evidence presented by the applicant and other interested persons at a hearing called and properly noticed on September 21, 2023, and the Royal Palm Beach Village Council being otherwise advised.

THEREUPON, the Village Council of the Village of Royal Palm Beach finds as follows:

- 1. The property which is the subject of said application is classified and zoned within the General Commercia (CG) District by the Zoning Code of the Village of Royal Palm Beach and the zoning map made a part thereof by reference.
- 2. The applicant is seeking a landscape waivers from the Village of Royal Palm Beach Code of Ordinances at (a) Sec. 15-133 (d) to eliminate the single terminal islands and allow for planting of the required plantings in adjacent landscape areas where Village Code requires single terminal islands at the beginning and end of each parking row containing the required landscaping and (b) Sec. 15-133 (e) to eliminate the double terminal islands and allow for planting of the required plantings in adjacent landscape areas

- where Village Code requires double terminal islands containing the required landscaping.
- 3. Under the provisions of Sec. 15-37 of the Village Code of Ordinances, the Village Council has the right, power and authority to act upon the application herein made.
- 4. In accordance with the requirement of Section 15-37 to specify the duration of the waiver, the Village Council holds that this grant of Landscape Waiver shall continue as long as the Project exists on this site.
- 5. IT IS THEREUPON CONSIDERED, ORDERED AND ADJUDGED by the Royal Palm Beach Village Council as follows: The application in connection with Landscape Waiver Order, LW-23-04, with reference to the Carmax @ 10501 Southern Boulevard project in the Village of Royal Palm Beach, Florida is hereby Approved in accordance with the Village Code of Ordinances for the

The applicant meets the landscape objectives as allowed by Section 15-37 of the Village Code of Ordinances.

following reasons:

Done and ordered this 21st day of September, 2023.

	Mayor Fred Pinto Village of Royal Palm Beach
Attest:	
Diane DiSanto, Village Clerk	

Exhibit A Legal Description Carmax @ 10501 Southern Boulevard Application No. 22-70 (LW) LW-23-04

LEGAL DESCRIPTION:

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