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Development Review Manager

I. APPLICATION DATA

A. **Case Number:** CU-0626-00011 and WAV-0626-00031

B. **Location:** 6401 Park Blvd (Parcel No. 28-30-16-71064-074-0060)

C. **Request:**

CU-0626-00011: Conditional Use approval for a Drive-Thru Restaurant in the General Commercial (B-1) Zoning District.

WAV-0626-00031: Waiver to section 18-1532.7.(B) regarding bypass drive-thru service lanes.

D. **Applicant:** Dynamic Engineering

E. **Authorized Agent:** Dynamic Engineering

F. **Property Owner:** 6401 Park Boulevard LLC

G. **Legal Ad Text:** Conditional Use approval for a Drive-Thru Restaurant in the General Commercial (B-1) Zoning District, with a waiver to section 18-1532.7.(B) regarding bypass drive-thru service lanes.

H. **PARC Meeting:** June 9, 2026

I. **Public Hearings:**

Planning & Zoning Commission Hearing Date: August 6, 2026

Advertising Date: July 22, 2026

City Council Hearing Date: September 3, 2026

Advertising Date: August 26, 2026

II. BACKGROUND INFORMATION

A. **Case Summary:**

The applicant is requesting approval for a Drive-Thru Restaurant, which is a conditional use in the General Commercial (B-1) Zoning District and it's consistent with the Community Redevelopment District (CRD) Land Use designation. The applicant is proposing an approximately 964 square foot restaurant with a drive-thru lane.

The request for a Drive-Thru Restaurant (Greenlane) is proposed to meet the following conditional use requirements:

(a) Review by the Planning and Zoning Commission and approval by City Council.
In Process

(b) Minimum lot area of 15,000 square feet.
Requirement has been met.

- (c) Frontage on an arterial or arterial frontage street. Access plans shall be approved by the Traffic Division Director.
Requirement has been met.
- (d) Minimum setback of 30 feet to any side property line, or 25 feet to any rear property line.
Requirement is proposed to be met.
- (e) The operation of the drive-in/drive-thru facility when abutting or functionally abutting a residential zoning district shall be limited to the period from 7:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m.
Requirement is proposed to be met.

The proposed development meets required setbacks, parking, lot coverage, and floor area ratio (FAR).

Additionally, the Applicant is requesting a waiver from the requirement of Section 18-1532.7(B) to provide a bypass drive-thru service lane to allow motorists to bypass drive-thru service lanes. Due to the limited size and geometric constraints of the subject property (approximately 0.48 acres), strict application of the bypass lane requirement presents an undue hardship.

The site is a former drive-thru restaurant ("Checkers"), and the proposed redevelopment is designed to mainly maintain the existing site layout, access points, and internal circulation patterns historically associated with the former restaurant. The former Checkers operation functioned without a bypass lane.

B. Site Area: 22,076 sf | $\cong$ 0.50 acres

C. Property History:

The subject property was platted in 1910 as recorded in Plat Book H2, Pages 91-92. The property previously included 4 single-family homes, which were purchased and demolished by Checkers in 1990.

In 1989, per case no. CU 1990-1, City Council approved a drive-thru restaurant. In 1990, per case no. CU 1990-8, City Council approved additional seating, providing 24 seats total as well as closing hours at 12:00 am Sunday through Thursday and 1:00 am Friday and Saturday. A requirement of an older version of the Code included 2 "waiting spaces" per drive-thru lane that could not be counted as customer/employee parking; therefore, a variance (case no. BOA 1990-9) was approved to change those waiting spaces to customer parking spaces. Current code does not require waiting spaces.

In 2015, a request for a conditional use (case no. CU 2015-21) to re-establish the Checkers drive-thru was approved by City Council. The previous Checkers was closed for over a year which necessitated the approval of a new conditional use. In the same manor, the applicant today is requesting a new drive-thru restaurant (Greenlane) which will require a new conditional use approval.

D. Existing Use: Vacant Drive-in/Drive-thru Restaurant

E. Proposed Use: Drive-in/Drive-thru Restaurant

F. Current Land Use: Community Redevelopment District (CRD)

G. Current Zoning District: General Commercial (B-1)

H. Flood Zone: The subject property is located in Flood Zone X, which is a low-risk flood zone.

I. Evacuation Zone: This property is in Evacuation Zone D, which is the fourth level to evacuate in preparation for a storm. Zone D is evacuated when storm surge height is predicted to be up to 28 feet.

J. Vicinity Characteristics:

	Zoning	Land Use	Existing Use
North	R-6	CRD	Multifamily Residential / Commercial
South	B-1	CRD	General Commercial
East	B-1	CRD	General Commercial
West	B-1	CRD	General Commercial

III. APPLICABLE CRITERIA / CONSIDERATIONS

A. Land Use Designation / Comprehensive Plan Policies:

1. Land Use Purpose / Intent:

It is the purpose of this category to depict those areas of the City that are now designated, or appropriate to be designated, as community centers and neighborhoods for redevelopment in accord with a special area plan therefor.

2. Key Standards:

Use Characteristics - Those uses appropriate to and consistent with this category shall include:

Primary Uses - Residential; Office; Commercial; Industrial; Institutional; and Transportation/Utility uses as enumerated in the approved special area plan.

Locational Characteristics - This category is generally appropriate to those community areas designed to serve as local retail, financial, governmental, residential, and employment focal points for a community; and to specified target neighborhoods designed to encourage redevelopment in one or a combination of uses as identified above and set forth in the special area plan therefor.

Traffic Generation Characteristics – The standard for the purpose of calculating typical traffic impacts relative to a Countywide Plan Map amendment for this category shall be based upon the actual mix and intensity of land use proposed in the special area plan, calculated by using the appropriate traffic generation characteristics for each corresponding category of land use, adjusted to account for the proposed density/intensity of said land use.

Density/Intensity Standards - Shall be as set forth for each classification of use and location in the approved special area plan. Densities/intensities shall be consistent with the redevelopment strategy for this plan category and shall generally parallel the medium to high density/intensity standards of the conventional plan categories for the respective types of use characteristics provided for thereunder.

Other Standards – Shall include the following:

Special Area Plan Required – The utilization of this category shall require a special area plan that shall be approved by official action of the City Council, in a form sufficient to ensure compliance with the special area plan, consistent with the Countywide Plan Rules.

3. Relevant Policies:

POLICY LU.1.8.5

Conditional uses authorized by the City Council and the Community Redevelopment Agency shall be consistent with the Comprehensive Plan.

OBJECTIVE LU.1.15

Continue to require site plan review of all new commercial and office development.

POLICY LU.1.15.1

Commercial development shall be located at or near major intersections; within the Community Redevelopment District; and within other mixed-use developments and areas to ensure the community's quality of life; access to employment, services, and amenities; and levels of service.

POLICY LU.1.15.3

Off-street parking for all new development and redevelopment shall provide safe pedestrian and vehicle movement, as well as ingress/egress.

POLICY LU.1.15.4

All new commercial facilities shall be located, designed and regulated to benefit from safe vehicular and transit access and to provide proper facilities for pedestrian convenience.

POLICY LU.1.15.5

Commercial areas shall be buffered from surrounding streets and uses, through appropriate landscaping and setbacks, in order to facilitate an optimal transition.

POLICY LU.1.15.6

Unightly areas such as loading docks, refuse collection areas, outdoor storage areas, etc., shall be screened from roadways and residential properties.

POLICY LU.1.15.11

New development and redevelopment projects shall provide safe and efficient on-site pedestrian movement.

4. Staff Analysis:

The use proposed by the applicant is appropriate within the Community Redevelopment District (CRD) Land Use designation and is considered a primary use.

Staff finds that the proposal is consistent with and supported by the land use designation and the Goals, Objectives, and Policies of the City's adopted Comprehensive Plan.

B. Zoning District / Land Development Code Standards:

1. Zoning District Purpose / Intent:

2. Key Standards:

SECTION 18-1520. - "B-1" GENERAL COMMERCIAL DISTRICT

Sec. 18-1520.3. - PERMITTED AND CONDITIONAL USES.

Table 18-1520.3: Authorized Uses in B-1 District

Use	Approval Type	Conditions
COMMERCIAL USES		
Restaurants; Drive-in/Drive-thru	C	CG or CRD land use categories only subject to section 18-1531

Sec. 18-1520.4. - DIMENSIONAL AND AREA REGULATIONS.

(A) MINIMUM LOT REQUIREMENTS.

1. Lot Area: Fifteen thousand (15,000) square feet.
2. Lot Width: One hundred (100) feet.
3. Lot Depth: One hundred fifty (150) feet.
4. Lots of record not meeting the lot area, width, or depth requirements of this section and having been of record prior to September 26, 1963 may be used for a permitted or conditional use provided that all other dimensional regulations will apply.

(B) MINIMUM YARD SETBACK REQUIREMENTS.

1. Front Yard Setback: Twenty (20) feet.
2. Secondary Front Yard Setback: Twenty (20) feet.
3. Side Yard Setback: Five (5) feet; ten (10) feet is required if abutting a residential zoning district.
4. Rear Yard Setback: Fifteen (15) feet.
5. For corner, double frontage and multiple frontage lots, see Section 18-1503.7 "Yard Determinations."
6. Refer to Section 18-1503.8 for measurement of yard setbacks on lots adjacent to rights-of-way of insufficient width.
7. Refer to Section 18-1504.3(G)(2) for special yard setbacks for additions to buildings in existence as of August 14, 1997.

(C) MAXIMUM LOT COVERAGE. Seventy-five (75) percent.

(D) MINIMUM FLOOR AREA.

1. Nonresidential: Three hundred (300) square feet.
2. Single-family Detached Dwellings:
 - a. Nine hundred (900) square feet in R/OG or R/O/R.
 - b. One thousand (1,000) square feet in CRD.

3. *Multi-Family Dwellings:*
 - a. *Efficiency: Four hundred fifty (450) square feet.*
 - b. *One-bedroom: Five hundred fifty (550) square feet.*
 - c. *Two-bedroom: Six hundred fifty (650) square feet.*
 - d. *Three-bedroom: Eight hundred (800) square feet.*
- (E) *MAXIMUM BUILDING HEIGHT. Height fifty (50) feet excluding mechanical and or elevator penthouse (additional height may be granted as a conditional use). See Section 18-1503.13, "Exclusion from Height Limits" for height limit exclusions.*
- (F) *MINIMUM BUILDING SEPARATION. Must meet Florida Building Code separation requirements.*
- (G) *FLOOR AREA RATIO. (F.A.R.)*
 1. *Nonresidential Uses:*
 - (a) *Thirty hundredths (0.30) in R/O/R.*
 - (b) *Thirty-five hundredths (0.35) in R/OG.*
 - (c) *Forty-five hundredths (0.45) in CG.*
 - (d) *Forty-five hundredths (0.45) in CRD.*
 - (e) *Forty-five hundredths (0.45) in RM.*
 - (f) *Forty-five hundredths (0.45) in CR.*
 - (g) *Forty-five hundredths (0.45) in RFH.*
 2. *Mixed Use Development: See "R-6" zoning district.*

SECTION 18-1531. - CONDITIONAL USE REGULATIONS

Sec. 18-1531.6. - REVIEW CRITERIA.

- (A) *In granting an application for a conditional use, the City shall find that such approval will not adversely affect the public interest, and shall consider the compatibility criteria listed in Paragraph (C), below, in their decision.*
- (B) *In evaluating an application for conditional use, the presence of nonconforming uses or buildings, substandard property maintenance, or substandard conditions in the neighborhood shall not be used to justify the granting of a conditional use. Additionally, the cumulative impact of the proposed use in proximity to a similar existing use shall be considered, as shall the scale, placement, orientation, design, appearance, and intensity of the conditional use and improvements to be associated with the conditional use, as applicable.*
- (C) **COMPATIBILITY REVIEW CRITERIA.**
 1. *Whether the use and its proposed scale will be inconsistent with the established character of the immediate neighborhood, to the extent that such character is consistent with the Comprehensive Plan and the provisions of the applicable zoning district(s).*
 2. *Whether the use will diminish the use or enjoyment of other properties and living or working conditions in the neighborhood.*
 3. *Whether the use will impede the normal and orderly development and improvement of surrounding properties for uses permitted in their respective zoning districts and in a manner consistent with the Comprehensive Plan.*
 4. *Whether the establishment, maintenance or operation of the use will be detrimental to, or endanger, the public health, safety, comfort, or general welfare as a result of hours of operation, arrangement of uses on the site, noise, vibration, emission or pollutant, glare, odor, dust, traffic congestion, attractive nuisance, or other condition.*
 5. *Whether the land area is sufficient, appropriate and adequate for the use and reasonably anticipated operations and expansion thereof.*
 6. *Whether the use and associated improvements will adversely affect a known archaeological, historical, cultural, or landscape resource.*
 7. *Whether the particular traffic generation characteristics of the proposed use, including the type of vehicular traffic associated with such uses is compatible with the traffic generation characteristics of other uses permitted in the zoning district(s) applicable to the neighborhood.*

Sec. 18-1531.10. - LIST OF CONDITIONAL USES AND REQUIREMENTS.

- (A) *The following is an alphabetical listing of the special requirements for all conditional uses. This section authorizes, through the use of the term "administrative approval," the Zoning Director to review and approve certain conditional use applications if the applicant complies with all of the applicable criteria. For any application on which the Zoning Director acts, the applicant may choose to have the application reviewed and acted upon by the City Planning and Zoning Commission and City Council.*

72. *Restaurants, Drive-In/Drive Thru.*

- (a) *Review by the Planning and Zoning Commission and approval by City Council.*
- (b) *Minimum lot area of fifteen thousand (15,000) square feet.*
- (c) *Frontage on an arterial or arterial frontage street. Access plans shall be approved by the Traffic Division Director.*
- (d) *Minimum setback of thirty (30) feet to any side property line, or twenty-five (25) feet to any rear property line.*
- (e) *The operation of the drive-in/drive-thru facility when abutting or functionally abutting a residential zoning district shall be limited to the period from 7:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m.*

SECTION 18-1532. - OFF-STREET PARKING AND LOADING REGULATIONS

Sec. 18-1532.7. - VEHICULAR STACKING SPACES AND DRIVE-THRU LANES.

- (A) *A vehicular stacking space is a space measuring twenty (20) feet in length and at least ten (10) feet in width located within a VUA. Stacking spaces shall be specifically reserved and demarcated through curbing or pavement markings, as well as one-way entrance signage, as one (1) or more separate and distinct lane(s), for the temporary stopping of a vehicle awaiting service as provided in this section, and shall not be designed or used for, nor interfere with, any other purpose including, but not limited to, site circulation, parking, and loading.*
- (B) *A separate and distinct on-site escape lane, ten (10) feet wide, shall be provided to allow motorists to bypass drive-thru service lane(s).*
- (C) *All inbound spaces are measured rearward from the front of the first stopping point at a service position, and all outbound spaces are measured forward from the front of last stopping point at a service position.*
- (D) *Each stacking space shall be clearly defined on the site plan.*
- (E) *In order to minimize traffic congestion, a minimum queuing lane of eighty (80) feet shall be provided between the street line at the principal point of entrance and the last drive-thru service window. Access and queuing plans shall be approved by the Traffic Division Director.*

Sec. 18-1532.9. - MINIMUM OFF-STREET PARKING SPACE REQUIREMENTS.

All parking standards based upon floor area (ex: one (1) space per xxx SF of GFA) shall be calculated including fractions thereof. For example, a requirement for one (1) per 200 SF of GFA shall mean, one space per 200 SF of GFA, or fraction thereof.

(B) COMMERCIAL/BUSINESS USES.

- 31. *Restaurant, Drive-Thru: One (1) per three (3) seats, or one (1) per hundred (100) SF of GFA; whichever results in a greater parking requirement.*

3. Staff Analysis:

The use of a drive-thru restaurant is consistent with the purpose and intent of the B-1 Zoning District, which is intended for a wide variety of consumer-oriented commercial uses. The applicant proposes to meet the conditional use requirements and the dimensional and area regulations of the B-1 zoning district.

Staff finds that the proposed requests are consistent with the purpose and intent of the B-1 Zoning District and the City's Land Development Code.

C. Project Application Review Committee (PARC) Comments:

The application was discussed at the June 9, 2026 PARC meeting by all relevant departments/divisions. No concerns were raised with regard to the proposed amendment.

IV. SUMMARY

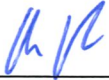
A. Findings:

Based on the information and analysis contained in this report, staff finds as follows:

1. The proposed uses and site plan meet the Conditional Use requirements and review criteria, per Section 18-1531.10 of the Land Development Code.
2. The request is consistent with the Goals, Objectives, and Policies of the Comprehensive Plan.


Erica Lindquist, AICP, CFM
Planning & Development Services Director

7/13/2026
Date


Nick A. Colonna, AICP, Community Development Administrator
or Aaron Petersen, Asst. Community Development Administrator

7/13/2026
Date

V. ACTION

PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION – MOVE TO:

A. RECOMMEND APPROVAL.

B. RECOMMEND APPROVAL WITH THE FOLLOWING CONDITION(S):

C. RECOMMEND DENIAL.

... of a Conditional Use approval for a Drive-Thru Restaurant in the General Commercial (B-1) Zoning District, with a waiver to section 18-1532.7.(B) regarding bypass drive-thru service lanes.

VI. ATTACHMENTS

Exhibit A: Affidavit of Ownership with Legal Description
Exhibit B: Site Plan
Exhibit C: Survey
Exhibit D: Aerial Map
Exhibit E: Land Use Map
Exhibit F: Zoning Map
Exhibit G: Flood Insurance Rate Map

CITY OF PINELLAS PARK
AFFIDAVIT OF OWNERSHIP

Exhibit A

STATE OF FLORIDA - COUNTY OF PINELLAS:

NAMES OF ALL PROPERTY OWNERS:

6401 Park Boulevard LLC

being first duly sworn, depose(s) and say(s):

1. That (I am / We are) the owner(s) and record title holder(s) of the following described property: Manager of DEMGMTENT, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company, the Manager of 6401 Park Boulevard LLC

ADDRESS OR GENERAL LOCATION:

6401 Park Blvd, Pinellas Park, FL 33781

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY: (Type legal directly on this sheet. If too lengthy, type on separate sheet titled "Exhibit A" and attach.)

See Exhibit A

2. That this property constitutes the property for which an application is being made to the City of Pinellas Park, Florida for (NATURE OF REQUEST):

Conditional Use - Board Approval

3. That the undersigned (has / have) appointed and (does / do) appoint Dynamic Engineering Consultants, PC as (his / their) agent(s) to execute any petitions or other documents necessary to affect such application.
4. That this affidavit has been executed to induce the City of Pinellas Park, Florida, to consider and act on the above described property; to include City representatives entering upon the property to make inspections as are necessary to visualize site conditions and/or determine compatibility.

[Signature]
SIGNED (PROPERTY OWNER 1)

SIGNED (PROPERTY OWNER 2)

STATE OF FLORIDA

COUNTY OF Sarasota

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me by means of

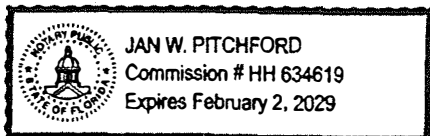
☒ physical presence or ☐ online notarization, this 18th day of May, 2026.

By Benjamin R. Nanan, who is
(Name of person acknowledging and title of position)

personally known to me or who has produced _____
(Type of identification)
as identification and who DID / DID NOT take an oath.

Notary Public, Commission No. _____

[Signature]
(Name of Notary- typed, printed or stamped)



(SEAL ABOVE)

Exhibit A

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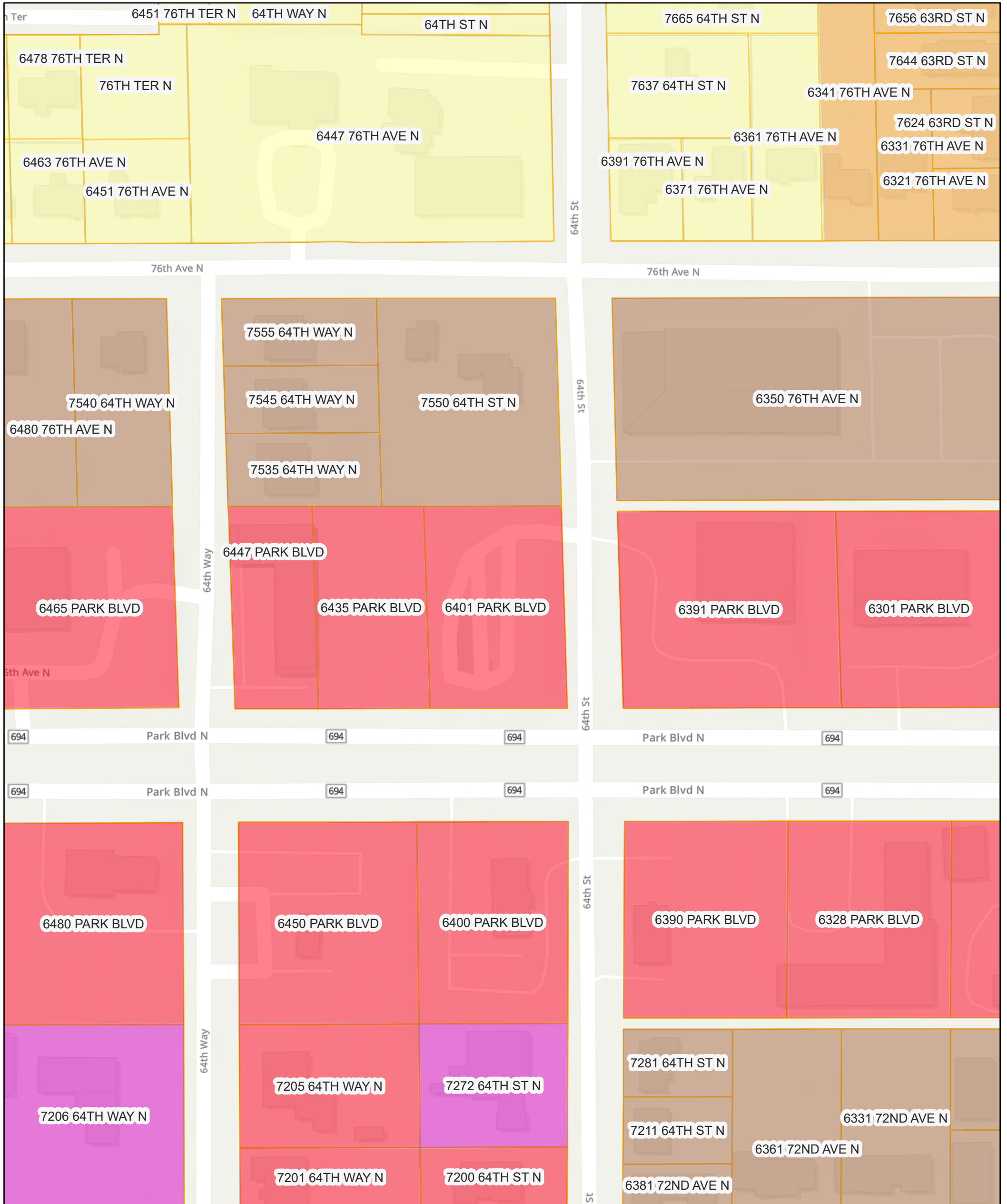
THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED PROPERTY, LESS THE WEST 100.00 FEET THEREOF:

LOTS 5, 6, 7 AND 8, BLOCK 74, PINELLAS PARK, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 2, PAGES 91 AND 92, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY, FLORIDA, OF WHICH PINELLAS COUNTY WAS FORMERLY A PART; TOGETHER WITH LOTS 7 AND 8, BLOCK 76, FIRST ADDITION TO PINELLAS PARK, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 6, PAGE 57, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY, FLORIDA, OF WHICH PINELLAS COUNTY WAS FORMERLY A PART.

TOGETHER WITH THE SOUTH 5 FEET OF THE VACATED ALLEY ABUTTING SAID LOTS ON THE NORTH AS STATED IN RESOLUTION NO. 97-47 RECORDED IN OFFICIAL RECORDS BOOK 9815, PAGE 1380.



Zoning Map



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Zoning (Pinellas Park)

 COMMERCIAL GENERAL - B-1

 MIXED USE DEVELOPMENT MXD-2

SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL R-1

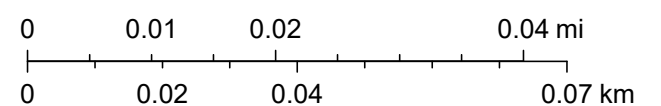
 DUPLEX RESIDENTIAL R-4

 MULTIFAMILY RESIDENTIAL R-6

 Parcel (Polygon)

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Sources: Esri, Vantor, Airbus DS, USGS, NGA, NASA, CGIAR, N Robinson, NCEAS, NLS, OS, NMA, Geodatastyrelsen, Rijkswaterstaat, GSA, Geoland, FEMA, Intermap, and the GIS user community. Sources: Esri, TomTom, Garmin, FAO, NOAA, USGS, © OpenStreetMap

