

29 April 2021

City of Winston-Salem

Zoning and Subdivision

Winston-Salem, NC 27101

Re: Living Word Fellowship Church Rezoning – **Neighborhood Outreach Summary**

On Friday, April 16, 2021, MLA mailed approximately 100 letters to the properties owners that are within five hundred feet of the parcels associated with the Living Word Fellowship Church properties being rezoned. The PIN numbers for these parcels being #6818-12-3186 and #6818-11-5881. The address labels were generated through the online Forsyth County GIS system (Planning App). The letters detailed the requested rezoning of the parcels from RS9/MH to RM5-S and invited the neighbors to a virtual meeting to review the rezoning documents and provide feedback. The virtual meeting was set for April 26, 2021 with an available time between 5:30 – 6:30 pm. These letters were sent over seven days in advance of the proposed virtual meeting. Mayor Pro Tempore/Council Member Adams was provided with a copy of the current rezoning plan and invited to attend the virtual meeting.

The virtual meeting was held on the date advertised with representation from Living Word Fellowship Church and MLA Design Group present to review the plans with neighbors and answer any questions. During the hour-long virtual meeting, three neighbors attended the call to review and discuss the project. The neighbors taking part in the call lived on Edgeware Road and Queen Anne Circle, both roads being directly adjacent to the church property. The virtual meeting ended at approximately 6:35 pm. Overall, Living Word Fellowship Church and MLA Design Group found the meeting to be beneficial in terms of relaying correct information on the proposed rezoning to the attendees while providing a forum to answer questions and potential receive feedback from those neighbors living within the vicinity.

Several common comments did arise during the meeting and they include the following:

- Concerns regarding increased traffic along Edgeware Road.
- Asked about what type of housing as neighbors were voiced concern over not wanting Section 8 or rental properties being constructed adjacent to their neighborhood
- Voiced concerns about keeping their existing neighborhood safe from violence and drug free. Did not want the increased connectivity diminishing neighborhood safety.
- Neighbors along Queen Anne Circle asked about what can be done about the storm drainage from the adjacent mobile home park entering their properties (north of the Living Word Fellowship site).
- Wanted to be assured that there would be no additional right-of-way taking along Edgeware Road that would affect their properties or property values.

Thank you,

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Dear Neighbor,

We want to invite you to an informational meeting about the requested rezoning of the Living Word Fellowship Church property from residential (RS9) to multi-family (RM5-S). The purpose of the rezoning is to construct Twin Homes/Duplexes within the current property limits located at 2512 Bethabara Road. During the informational meeting, we will be sharing the Rezoning Site Plan and talking through the proposed improvements. MLA Design Group has prepared the plans and our office will be available during the meeting to answer any questions about the proposed land use and site plan design.

Our meeting will take place on Monday, April 26th at 5:30 pm, and due to COVID, we will hold this meeting virtually through GoToMeeting. The link to join the meeting is below and you can access the meeting either through a computer or smart phone. If you do not have either available, we would still like to hear from you and please call us at the contact numbers below. We hope you will join us so that we can hear any ideas or concerns you may have.

Please call our office at (336) 765-1923 with any questions you may have about the meeting.

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Sincerely,

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