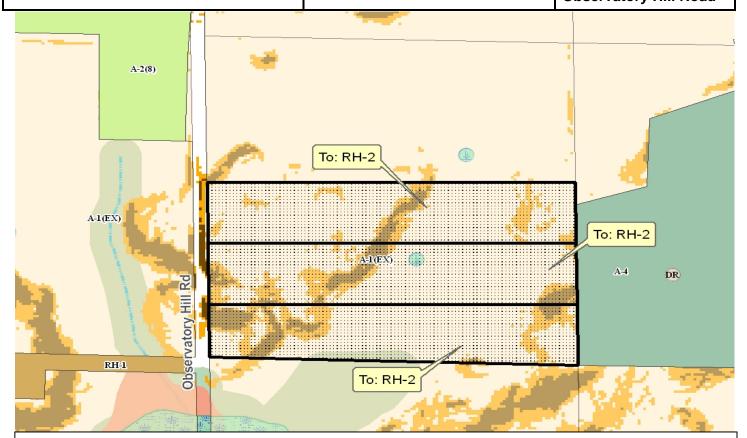


Staff Report

Zoning and Land Regulation Committee

Public Hearing: July 22, 2014	Petition: Rezone 10719
Zoning Amendment: A-1EX Exclusive Agriculture District to RH-2 Rural Homes District	Town/sect: Montrose Section 09
Acres:22.5 Survey Req. Yes	Applicant Pauli REV Living TR,
Reason: Creating three residential lots	Donald F & Marie M Location: North 1070 Observatory Hill Road



DESCRIPTION: The petitioner would like to create three residential lots.

OBSERVATIONS: The eastern portion of the property consists of Class II soils. The center portion of the development area drops off with slopes exceeding 20% grade. This low lying area consists of hydric soils and has indicators that the area may be wetland.

TOWN PLAN: Property is within a Farmland Preservation Area. Proposed three lots would **exhaust** the splits allocated to the property under the town/county comprehensive plan. (See density study in petition packet).

RESOURCE PROTECTION: Portions of a wetland and floodplain buffer encroach on the southernmost proposed parcel, but there should be sufficient buildable area outside of the Resource Protection Corridor.

STAFF: The proposal exhaust the housing density rights. Staff suggests that the remaining A-1EX zoned land owned by the applicant from the original farm unit be deed restricted to prohibit further nonfarm development. Staff also recommends that a "no build area" be delineated on the CSM to prohibit development on the low areas of the interior of the property comprised of hydric soils.

TOWN: Approved with no conditions. The Town minutes reflect that there may be issues with locating a driveway due to the topography of observatory Hill Road (blind spots).