Staff Report



Land Regulation Committee

Public Hearing: January 26, 2021

Zoning Amendment Requested:

FP-35 Farmland Preservation District TO RR-2 Rural Residential District

creating a 2.5-acre residential spot zone on the 85-acre property (as

Size: 2.54 Acres

Reason for the request:

revised 12/28/20)

Survey Required. No

Applicant

Steve & Susan Smith

VERMONT, Section 22

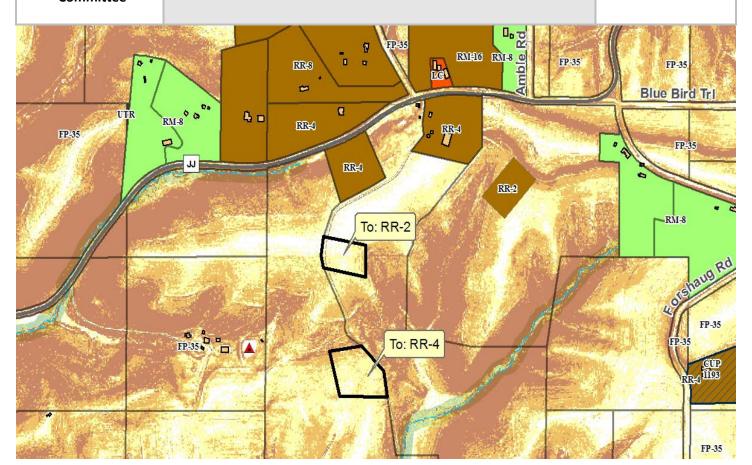
Address:

WEST OF 4012 COUNTY HWY JJ

Petition 11643

Town/Section:

Zoning and



DESCRIPTION: Landowner seeks to rezone 2.54 acres from an existing 86.5-acre CSM lot (CSM 15442, Lot 3) in the FP-35 zoning district to the RR-2 zoning district to allow for the construction of a new single family residence. The proposed homesite and zoning parcel would remain in common ownership with a surrounding 84 acres of land remaining in FP-35 zoning.

OBSERVATIONS: This petition would create a buildable area within an existing 86.5-acre CSM lot. The proposed RR-2 zoning area is approximately 1,200 feet from CTH JJ. Petition 11644, also on the January 26, 2021 agenda, would create a similar rezone area from the same original farm. Portions of the areas surrounding the proposed building site include slopes that exceed 20%, but the proposed site itself avoids these areas. The proposed RR-2 rezone area would sit on the edge of an area with Class I farm soils. The two homesites would share an existing field road.

TOWN PLAN: The property is within a Farmland Preservation area under the *Town of Vermont / Dane County* Comprehensive Plan and the Dane County Farmland Preservation Plan. Residential development is capped at one unit per 35 acres owned as of January 1, 1985. If both Petition 11643 and Petition 11644 are approved, there will be 2 potential homesites remaining on the original 1985 farm. The plan also includes provisions to minimize acreage of parcels zoned out of farmland preservation categories. Development within Ridgetop Protection Areas must conform to building height and tree preservation standards.

RESOURCE PROTECTION: There are no mapped resource protection corridors within 300 feet of the proposed RR-2 zoning area.

DANE COUNTY HIGHWAY: County Highway JJ is a non-controlled access highway. Any changes in use of an access point or new access points required a Highway Permit. Joint use access will be required where possible.

STAFF: Recommend approval with no conditions.

TOWN: Town has approved with no conditions.

Questions? Contact Brian Standing at standing@countyofdane.com