

#### **TECHNICAL MEMORANDUM**

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Town of Wake Forest

Planner II

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Subject: Carroll Joyner Residential – TIA Addendum II

Trip Generation Comparison and Chilmark Avenue Capacity Letter

### **BACKGROUND**

Exult Engineering completed a Traffic Impact Analysis (TIA) for the proposed Carroll Joyner Residential Development in May 2021. At the time the TIA was prepared, the proposed development consisted of 168 single family dwelling units, 137 residential townhomes, and 90 senior adult detached residential units. Following the preparation of the TIA, the proposed site plan was revised and an addendum was submitted in August 2021 to summarize the trip generation comparison. The site plan has been revised further to consist of 208 single family dwelling units and 128 residential townhomes and is shown on Figure 1. This addendum includes a trip generation comparison for the revised land uses.

The proposed access remains as studied in the TIA. To remain conservative in preparing the analysis for the TIA, all site traffic was assigned to the study intersections on Capital Boulevard. The intersection of Jenkins Road at Chilmark Avenue was not a study intersection and therefore, traffic was not assigned to the intersection. Based on neighborhood concerns, this addendum considers the utilization of Chilmark Avenue for site traffic expected to access Jenkins Road.

#### TRIP GENERATION COMPARISON

The proposed development is to consist of 208 single family dwelling units and 128 residential townhomes. The trip generation was based on rates and equations published in the Institute of Transportation Engineers (ITE) *Trip Generation Manual*, 11<sup>th</sup> Edition. After the submittal of the May 2021 TIA, the Trip Generation Manual was updated in September 2021 to reflect the most recent nationwide data. Trip generation comparisons are presented below in Table 1 between the revised land uses and those presented in the May 2021 TIA. NCDOT Congestion Management Rates vs. Equations spreadsheet was used for guidance.

Land Use Daily **AM Peak Hour PM Peak Hour** Total Enter **Exit** Total Enter **Exit** 210: Single Family 208 d.u. 1,979 145 38 107 198 125 73 Detached 215: Single Family 128 d.u. 19 42 73 42 925 61 31 Attached Total 2,904 206 **57** 149 271 104 167 Trip Generation Analyzed in Previously 3,186 228 59 169 292 183 109 Prepared May 2021 TIA (Submitted and Reviewed by NCDOT) **Change in Trip Generation** -282 -20 -22 -2 -21 -16 -5

**Table 1: Trip Generation Comparison** 

As shown in Table 1, the proposed development is expected to generate 2,904 daily trips, 206 AM peak hour trips (57 entering, 149 exiting), and 271 PM peak hour trips (167 entering, 104 exiting). The proposed land use changes from result in a decrease in site trips compared to the site trips analyzed in the May 2021 TIA is negligible. Therefore, the overall results and recommendations presented in the May 2021 TIA will not be impacted and represent a conservative analysis for the revised site plan.

## **CHILMARK AVENUE CAPACITY**

As described in the May 2021 TIA, due to the existing roadway connectivity of Country Club Drive and Chilmark Avenue, a connection is provided to Jenkins Road for the proposed development. The intersection of Jenkins Road and Chilmark Avenue was not a required study intersection for the May 2021 TIA. All of the proposed development traffic for the eastern portion of the site was assigned to the Capital Boulevard intersections (Club Villas Drive and Country Club Drive) to represent a conservative analysis for the study intersections even though a minimal amount of project traffic may utilize Chilmark Avenue to access Jenkins Road.

Based on the approved Site Traffic Distribution presented in the May 2021 TIA, approximately 5% of site trips are expected to utilize Jenkins Road. Because there is a potential for these site trips to use Chilmark Avenue instead of Capital Boulevard to access Jenkins Road, this 5% was reassigned to Chilmark Avenue to determine the impact on capacity.



Chilmark Avenue is currently a two-lane residential roadway with a posted speed limit of 20 miles per hour. The travel lanes are approximately 10 feet each with a striped shoulder on one side of the roadway. This cross section remains consistent from Country Club Drive to Jenkins Road. Based on the *Guidelines for NCDOT Project-Level Traffic Forecasting Procedures*, the capacity for two-lane suburban roadways with 10-foot lanes is approximately 10,500 vehicles per day (vpd). We can expect this capacity to be slightly decreased with the option for on-street parking.

There are approximately 70 existing single family homes that may use Chilmark Avenue to access Jenkins Road. Assuming traffic from all 70 homes use Chilmark Avenue at Jenkins Road instead of Country Club Drive at Capital Boulevard, this would result in an existing demand of approximately 727 vehicles per day.

Applying the 5% assignment onto Chilmark Avenue for the proposed development results in 146 vehicles per day. Adding the existing and proposed daily traffic demands results in less than 900 vehicles per day expected to utilize Chilmark Avenue at project buildout. Therefore, there is sufficient capacity along Chilmark Avenue to accommodate the proposed site traffic.

Furthermore, if the 5% assignment is applied to the peak hour demand (271 vehicles per hour), this results in 14 vehicles per hour, or 1 vehicle added to Chilmark Avenue every 4-5 minutes.

## **CONCLUSION**

The trip generation analyzed in the May 2021 TIA provides for a conservative analysis given the reduction in site trips expected with the revised site plan. Based on the capacity and existing daily traffic demand, Chilmark Avenue is expected to accommodate the increased demand due to the development of the proposed site. An updated traffic impact analysis is not necessary to determine further impacts of the proposed site.

Please let me know if you have any questions or comments.

Sincerely,

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Attachments: Figure 1: Proposed Site Plan

Figure 2: Proposed Site Traffic Distribution

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# **Revised Site Plan**

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Figure 1







