Update from July 7, 2020 Planning Commission Meeting –Commerce Place Redevelopment Project

Public Hearing for Major Subdivision-Preliminary Plat of Commerce Place 2nd Addition; Review and Consideration of Land use and Vacation Applications for Proposed Commerce Place Redevelopment Project

At its July 7, 2020 regular meeting, which was held electronically using ZOOM due to the Covid 19 pandemic, the Planning Commission conducted the public hearing to consider the major subdivision-preliminary plat and site development plans for “Commerce Place 2nd Addition”, a proposed redevelopment of the Commerce Place shopping center located at 2200-2238 Commerce Boulevard to include a 102-unit apartment building with underground and surface parking. Additionally, Planning Commission review and discussion of related applications for the proposed Commerce Place project took place, including a zoning text amendment, a rezoning, a conditional use permit and an application to vacate road right of way and drainage and utility easement.

After reviewing the public comments received and taking testimony, the public hearing for the major subdivision-preliminary plat was closed. The Planning Commission voted to recommend approval, with conditions and findings, of the zoning text amendment, the rezoning to Destination District Planned Unit Development, and the vacation application.

The Planning Commission tabled its consideration and recommendations on the major subdivision-preliminary plat and conditional use permit applications for the Commerce Place project to allow for additional discussion amongst Planning Commission members to a special meeting on Tuesday, July 21, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. to be held in-person at the Westonka Performing Arts Center (PAC) located at 5905 Sunnyfield Road, Minnetrista, MN.

As the public hearing for the major subdivision-preliminary plat has been completed and the Planning Commission’s tabling was to allow for more time for Planning Commission discussion about the major subdivision preliminary plat and conditional use permit applications, additional in-person testimony will be at the discretion of the Planning Commission. Written or email comments about the proposed development received by 1:00 p.m. on Thursday, July 16, 2020 will be included in the Planning Commission packet. Written or email comments about the proposed project received after 1:00 p.m. will be presented at the meeting. Written comments should be forwarded to Sarah Smith at 2415 Wilshire Boulevard, Mound, MN 55364. Email comments can be sent to sarahsmith@cityofmound.com. Information submitted will be made part of the public record.