Staff Report: TRC 3-17-15 Garrett Family Cemetery

REQUEST FOR COMMITTEE ACTION

HENDERSON COUNTY

Technical Review Committee

MEETING DATE: March 17, 2015

SUBJECT: Major Site Plan for Garrett Family Cemetery located on Fruitland Cemetery

Road off Fruitland Road

PRESENTER: Toby Linville, Code Enforcement Director

ATTACHMENTS:

- 1. Staff Report
- 2. Photographs
- 3. Site Plan

SUMMARY OF REQUEST:

Major site plan review for a family cemetery.

Suggested Motion:

I move to approve the site plan for Garrett Family Cemetery because it meets the requirements of the Land Development Code.



Henderson County, North Carolina Code Enforcement Services

1. Board Request

- 1.1. **Applicant:** Garrett Family
- 1.2. **Request:** Major Site Plan Review for a family cemetery
- 1.3. **PIN:** 9681-76-4181
- 1.4. **Size:** 1.00 acres +/-
- 1.5. **Location:** The subject area is located on Fruitland Cemetery Road off Fruitland Road
- 1.6. Supplemental Requirements:

SR 5.3. Cemetery, Family

- (1) Site Plan. Major Site Plan required in accordance with §42-331 (Major Site Plan Review).
- (2) Plot Setback. Plots shall be: a. Twenty (20) feet from any property line.
 - b. One hundred (100) feet from any structure.
 - c. One hundred (100) feet from an existing well.
 - d. One hundred (100) feet from the high-water mark of any spring, stream, lake, reservoir or other know source of water. Family cemeteries shall not be located in *a special flood hazard area*.
- (3) Security. The family cemetery shall be enclosed by a fence or wall at least four (4) feet in height constructed of metal, masonry or stone.
- (4) Private/Public Easement. A minimum twenty (20) foot private or public *easement* shall be recorded to provide access to a family cemetery.
- (5) Certification, Licensure and Permitting. A family cemetery shall comply with all applicable local, state and federal environmental and public health laws (including the requirements of N.C.G.S. 65-Cemeteries).
- (6) Plat. A family cemetery shall be recorded on a plat in the Register of Deeds office.
- (7) Marker. Each container of human remains shall be buried beneath the surface of the ground and shall be indicated by a permanent visible marker or monument. The marker or monument should be made of granite or bronze, mounted on at least a four inch concrete base and have a minimum dimension of one (1) foot wide by two (2) feet tall and be four (4) inches thick. The marker should be placed as soon as practicable after the remains are interred and shall bear the name, year of birth and year of death of the deceased.
- (8) Responsibility. The owner of any property which contains all or part of a family cemetery is responsible for maintaining the family cemetery in compliance with local, state and federal regulations.

Map A: Aerial Photo/Pictometry





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2. Current Conditions

- **2.1 Current Use:** This parcel is currently vacant.
- **2.2 Adjacent Area Uses:** The surrounding properties consist of agricultural, residential and undeveloped land.
- **2.3 Zoning:** The surrounding properties are zoned Residential 2 Rural (R2R).

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Map B: Current Zoning

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- 3. <u>Floodplain /Watershed Protection:</u> The portion of the parcel being subdivided out will not be in special flood hazard area. The property is not in a Water Supply
- 4. Water and Sewer: None.

Watershed district.

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Map C: CCP Future Land Use Map

5. Staff Comments

The 2020 CCP: The CCP Future Land Use Map places the Subject Area in the Rural / Urban Transition Area (RTA). The text and map of the 2020 CCP suggest that the Subject Area would be more suitable for the following:

Rural/Urban Transition Area: The CCP states that, "The RTA is currently rural in character, with existing pockets of limited higher density residential and commercial development. The text of the 2020 CCP suggests that the subject area would be suitable for clustering development and conservation design encouraged with the intent of maintaining a rural environment, protecting sensitive natural areas, and reserving land for future development. (2020 CCP, Pg. 134).

6. Staff Recommendations

Staff's position at this time, under the guidelines of current plans, policies and studies, is to recommend approval of the major site plan because it is consistent with the current surrounding land uses and future land use recommendations.

7. Photographs







