ZONING COMMITTEE STAFF REPORT

- 1. FILE NAME: Hlee and May Xiong
- 2. APPLICANT: May Xiong/Hlee Xiong Moua
- 3. **TYPE OF APPLICATION:** Rezoning
- 4. LOCATION: 1475 Ames Ave, NE corner, Barclay and Ames
- 5. **PINS & LEGAL DESCRIPTIONS:** 272922240009, 272922240010, & 272922240011; Lots 7-9, Block 1, Ames Out Lots
- 6. PLANNING DISTRICT: 2
- 7. **ZONING CODE REFERENCE:** §61.801(b)
- 8. **STAFF REPORT DATE:** December 15, 2016
- 9. DATE RECEIVED: December 2, 2016 60-DAY DEADLINE FOR ACTION: January 31, 2017
- A. PURPOSE: Rezone from R2 one family residential to RM2 multiple family residential.
- B. PARCEL SIZE: 90,604 square feet
- C. EXISTING LAND USE: Vacant
- D. **SURROUNDING LAND USE:** Vacant to the northwest (R2/RM2); adult care home to the north (RM1); single-family residential to the east, west, and south (R2).
- E. **ZONING CODE CITATION:** §61.801(b) provides for changes to the zoning of property initiated by the property owner.
- F. **HISTORY/DISCUSSION:** The site has been zoned R2 since 1975. There is no recent zoning history for the site.
- G. **DISTRICT COUNCIL RECOMMENDATION:** As of this writing, the District 2 Council has not provided a recommendation.
- H. FINDINGS:
 - 1. The application requests rezoning from R2 to RM2.
 - 2. An accompanying, but separate application requests a conditional use permit for an adult care home on the site.
 - 3. The proposed zoning is consistent with the way this area has developed, which has involved residential uses including an adult care home and multi-family development to the north.
 - 4. The proposed zoning is consistent with the Comprehensive Plan. The Comprehensive Plan's Land Use Chapter designates the adjacent Phalen Village as a Neighborhood Center in Figure LU-H, Generalized 2030 Land Uses, and the area around the subject site as an Established Neighborhood. The Comprehensive Plan's Housing Chapter Strategy H1.1 states: "Increase housing choices across the city to support economically diverse neighborhoods." Though there is a major concentration of apartment housing to the north, the rezoning allows for a senior living option that is in shorter supply. Also, the broader neighborhood is largely single-family. Finally, the proposed rezoning is consistent with Strategy H1.3: "Revitalize the city by developing land-efficient housing," which calls for adding density near neighborhood centers such as Phalen Village (located just to the northwest).

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EXISTING ZONING: R2

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- 5. The proposed zoning is compatible with the surrounding residential uses, including those zoned RM1 and RM2 to the north.
- 6. Court rulings have determined that "spot zoning" is illegal in Minnesota. Minnesota courts have stated that this term *"applies to zoning changes, typically limited to small plots of land, which establish a use classification inconsistent with the surrounding uses and create an island of nonconforming use within a larger zoned property."* The proposed RM2 zoning would not represent "spot zoning." It is not inconsistent with the surrounding uses, including those zoned RM1 and RM2 to the north.
- I. **STAFF RECOMMENDATION:** Based on the above findings, staff recommends approval of the rezoning from R2 one family residential to RM2 multiple family residential.

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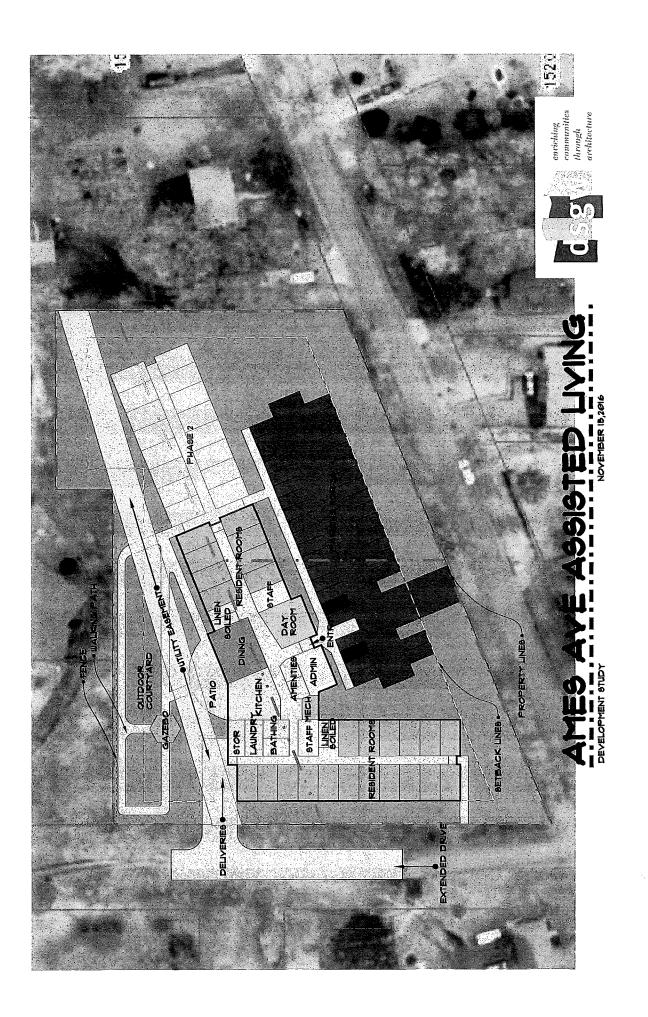
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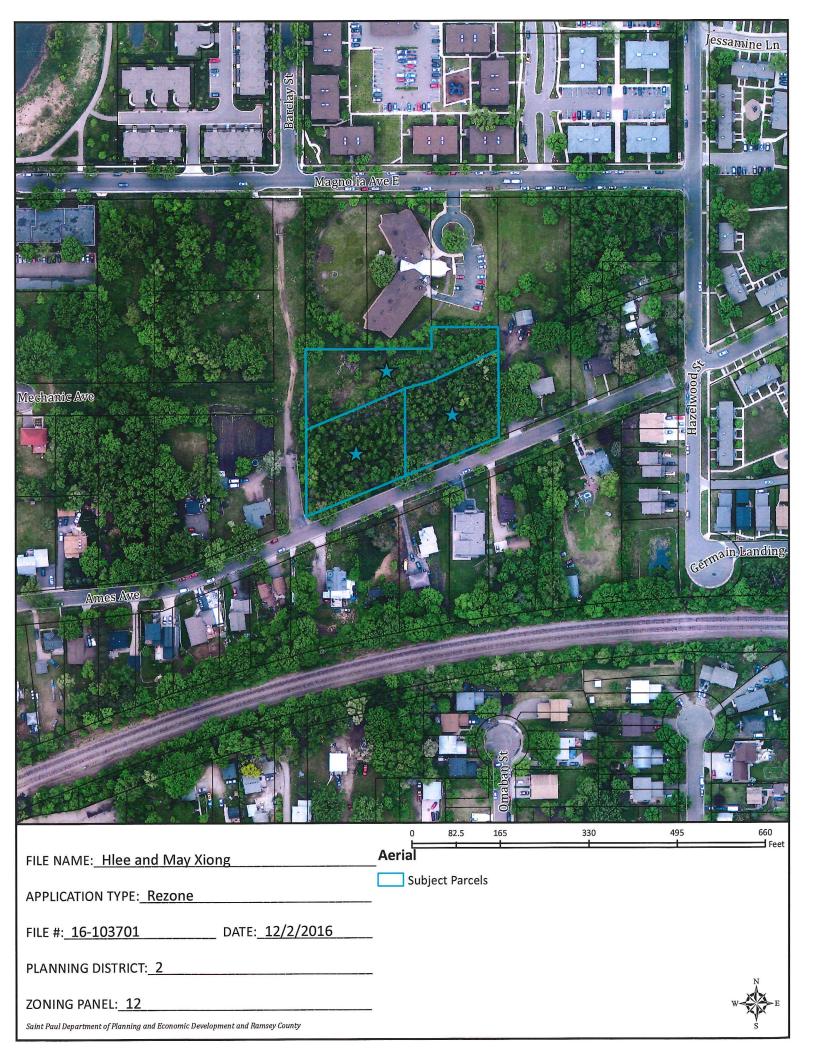
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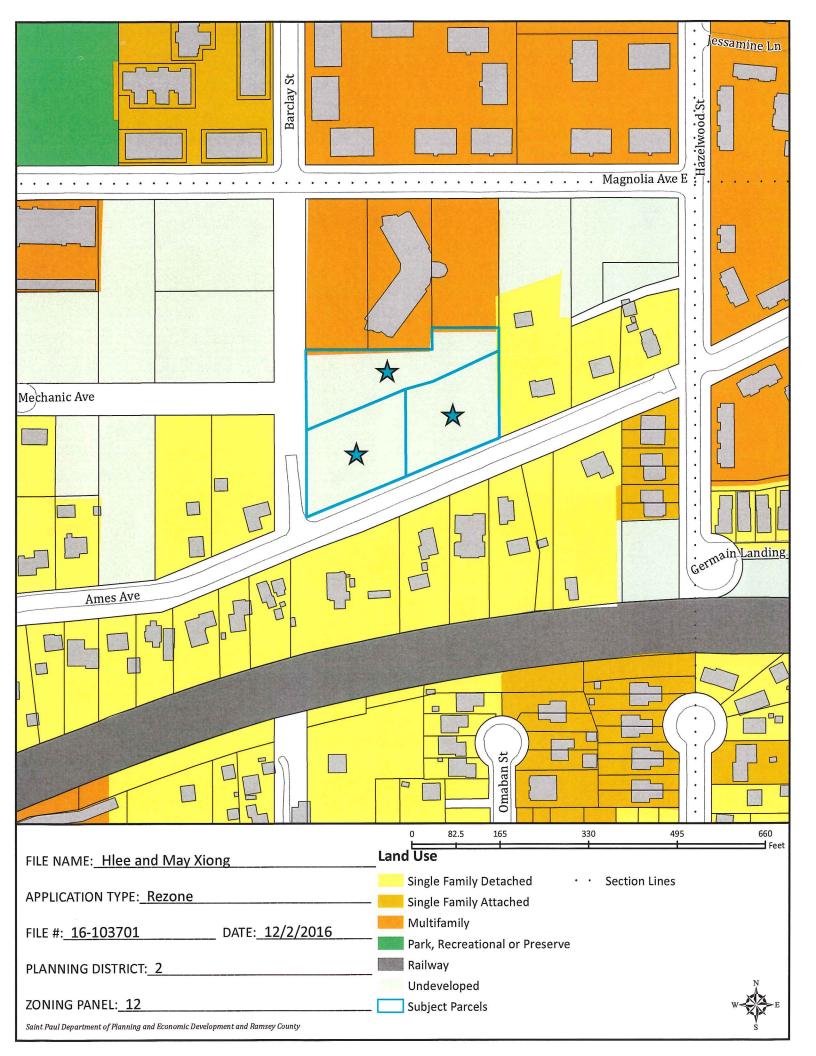
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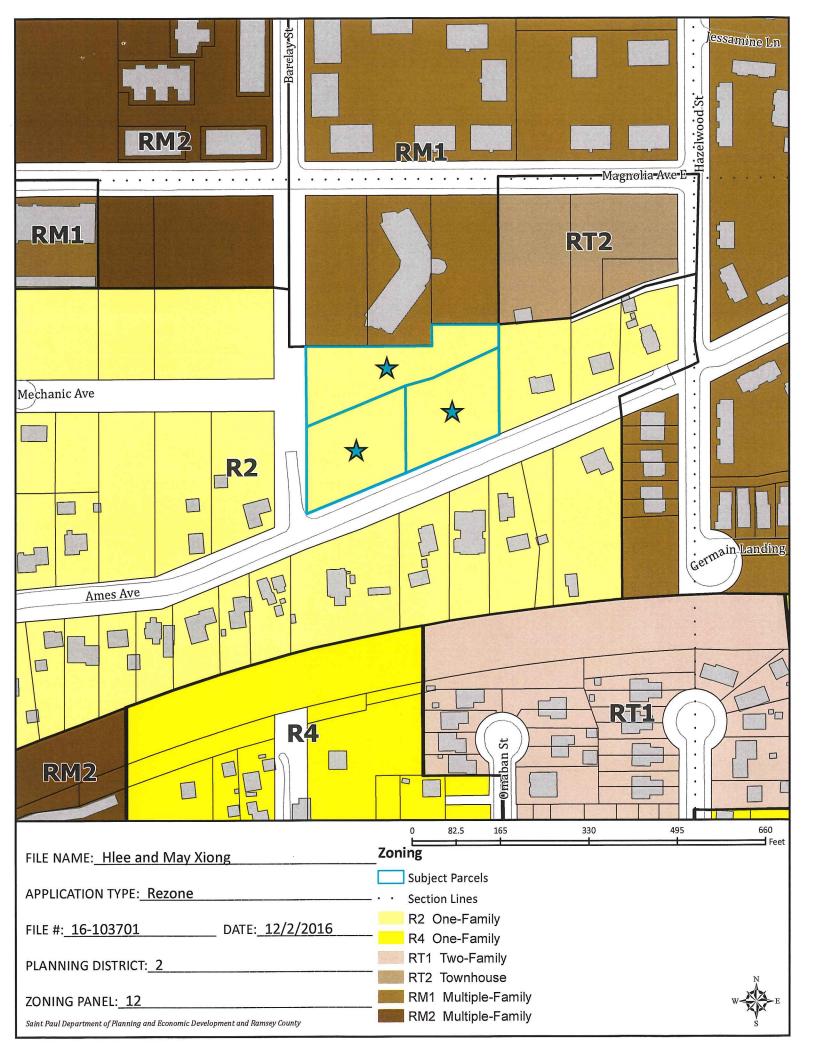




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Received Wednesday 12/14/16 at 8:46 p.m.:

Hi Bill,

I just got a mail today about the Rezone from R2 one family resident to RM2 multiple family residential and conditional use permit for a 40-Units assisted living and memory care facility. Property address: 1475 Ames Ave NE corner Barclay and Ames by Hlee and May Xiong. I won't be able to attend the hearing on Thursday December 22, 2016 at 3:30pm at Courthouse, but I want to write you my concern.

Please stop this construction because we lived for long and very peaceful. I know the the different between one family establish and multiple units in an apartment establish; it will bring multiple issues to our neighbors such as traffic. Since this area is very limited for extension by the railroad that goes a long with the Ames Ave. I very concern about adding another apartment with the previous apartments along the Magnolia Ave E will bring more pollution, traffic and cloudy neighbors to our future. Please immediate stop this construction. Thank you From : Pang Kou Yang 1460 Ames Ave. St. Paul, MN 55106. Please reach me at Thank you.

Pang Yang