ORDINANCE NO.

AN ORDINANCE WAIVING CERTAIN SECTIONS OF ARTICLE 7 OF THE ZONING ORDINANCE (ORDINANCE NO. 9263) FOR CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY LOCATED AT 5220 NORTHSHORE DRIVE IN THE CITY OF NORTH LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS, TO ALLOW THE WAIVER OF SCREENING AND BUFFERING REQUIREMENTS ALONG THE WESTERN PERIMETER OF THE PROPERTY; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, application was duly made by Brian Dale of Joe White & Associates, 25 Rahling Circle, Suite A-2, Little Rock, Arkansas 72223, seeking a waiver of screening and buffering requirements for the eastern perimeter of certain real property located at 5220 Northshore Drive (see letter and maps attached hereto respectively as Exhibit A and B); and

WHEREAS, the North Little Rock Planning Commission voted to require the items requested to be waived (7 affirmative votes; 2 absent) at a regular meeting thereof held on June 13, 2023.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1: That the following portions of Article 7 of the Ordinance No. 9263 ("the Zoning Ordinance") is hereby waived for 5220 Northshore Drive, more particularly described as:

LOTS 2A AND 2B, BLOCK 4 OF THE NORTHSHORE BUSINESS PARK ADDITION TO THE CITY OF NORTH LITTLE ROCK, PULASKI COUNTY, ARKANSAS.

Section 7.2.4 – Buffers Between Dissimilar Uses

Buffers shall be established with new development activity to reduce the impact on existing neighborhoods and uses. The buffer provisions apply: (a) when different land uses or Zoning Districts abut each other, or (b) when different land uses or Zoning Districts are separated by rights-of-way of twenty (20) feet or less. Buffer area dimensional requirements shall be:

- C. The required buffer area depth shall not include any easements.
- D. Each side and rear yard buffer areas shall be five (5) percent of the lot width and depth. Buffer areas shall not be less than six (6) feet or greater than forty (40) feet.

Section 7.3.2 – Class B – Half Screens

- A. Trees from Table B or C shall be spaced every twenty (20) feet; or trees from Table D shall be used if beneath overhead power lines and spaced every twenty (20) feet.
- B. Only trees and shrubs from the approved planting list will count toward any requirements unless approved by the Planning Commission.
- C. A six (6) foot tall, continuous opaque screen shall be provided. An opaque screen may include one of the following: wall, fence, site grading, or plantings. The opaque screen must be opaque in all seasons.
- D. Trees shall be irrigated by an automatic underground irrigation system.

Section 7.5.1 – Table A: Buffer/Screen of Dissimilar Land Uses

New Development C3, Abutting Property Zone or Use I2 – Full Screen

SECTION 2: All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of the conflict.

SECTION 3: That the provisions of this ordinance are hereby declared to be severable and if any section, phrase or provision shall be declared or held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect the remainder of the sections, phrases or provisions.

SECTION 4: That it is hereby found and determined that the waiver of the above-described improvements as provided for herein is to be in the best interests of the City, and is immediately necessary in order to insure the proper and orderly growth of this land and of the City of North Little Rock, Arkansas, and being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health, safety and welfare; THEREFORE, an emergency is hereby declared to exist, and this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval.

PASSED:	APPROVED:
	Mayor Terry C. Hartwick
SPONSOR:	ATTEST:
Steve Boote P Council Member Steve Baxter	Diane Whitbey, City Clerk
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APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Amy Beckman Fields, City Attorney

PREPARED BY THE OFFICE OF THE CITY ATTORNEY/kt

FILED 10.50 A.MP.M.
By Fields
DATE 10.3-23
Diane Whitbey, City Clerk and Collector North Little Rock, Arkansas
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September 6, 2023

Ms. Donna James City of North Little Rock Community Planning 515 West Pershing Street North Little Rock, Arkansas 72214

RE: Bowen Hefley Orthopedics

5220 Northshore Drive

Dear Mayor and Alderman,

Bowen Hefley Orthopedics is proposing a new clinic at 5220 Northshore Drive (across the street from Arkansas Surgical Hospital).

Because the clinic is zoned commercial, and the remaining properties are zoned industrial, this project is required to provide a Buffer/Screen against the adjacent industrial uses.

We have worked closely with the Planning Staff to develop the attached landscape plan. The developer, BHO, would like to request a waiver for the below:

Waiver request -

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- 7.5 1: Table A: Buffer Screening of Dissimilar Land Uses

New Development C3: Thatting Property Zone or Use 12 - Full Screen

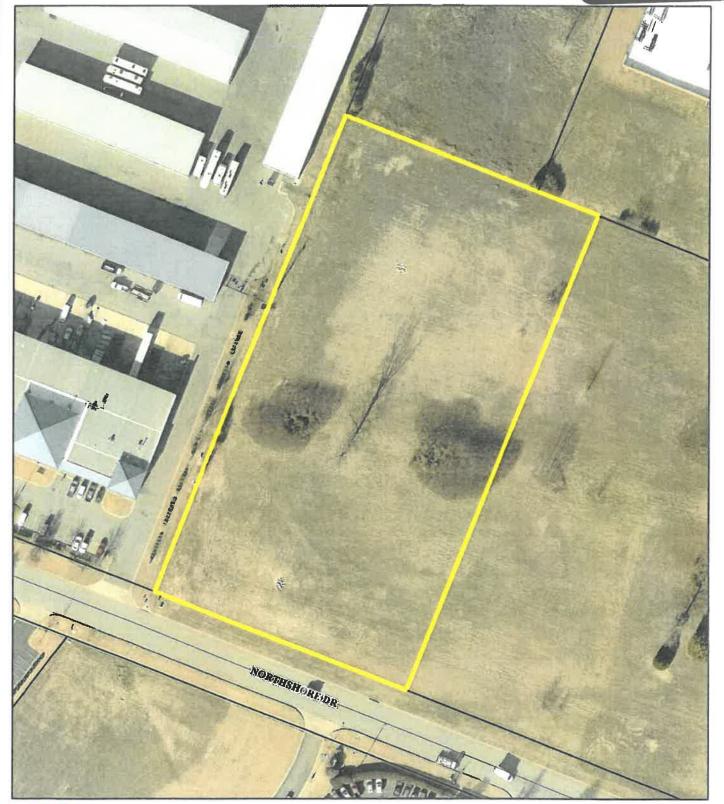
Please accept this letter to serve as our applications for the above referenced submittal, and place this item on the October 9, 2023, City Council meeting. Do not hesitate to call should you have any questions or require any additional information. Your help with this application is greatly appreciated.

Best Regards.

Brian Dale

EXHIBIT

Public Hearing Case # 2023-15





Ortho Map

1 inch = 100 feet





Public Hearing Case # 2023-15 NORTH SHORE PA Public Hearing #2023-15 5220 Northshore Dr. 12 To allow reduced screening along the western perimeter. 7610 12 NORTHSHOREDE 5125 C3 PI PI 12 **Zooling Map** 1 inch = 200 feet Feet 100 200 400 600 Date: 9/21/2023

