Docket Item #7 S Alfred Street Townhomes

816-820 Gibbon Street & 608-614 S. Alfred Street

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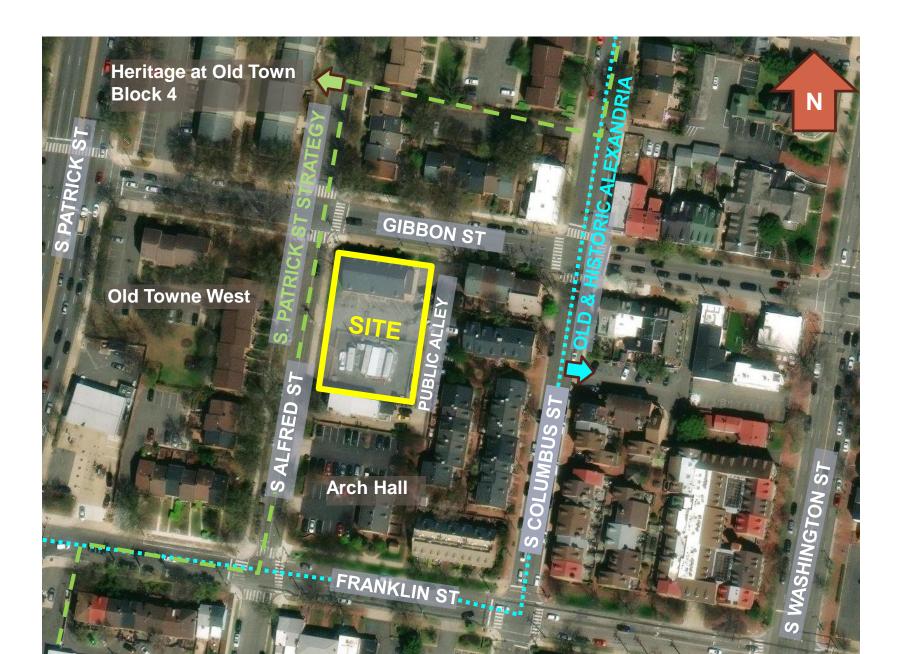
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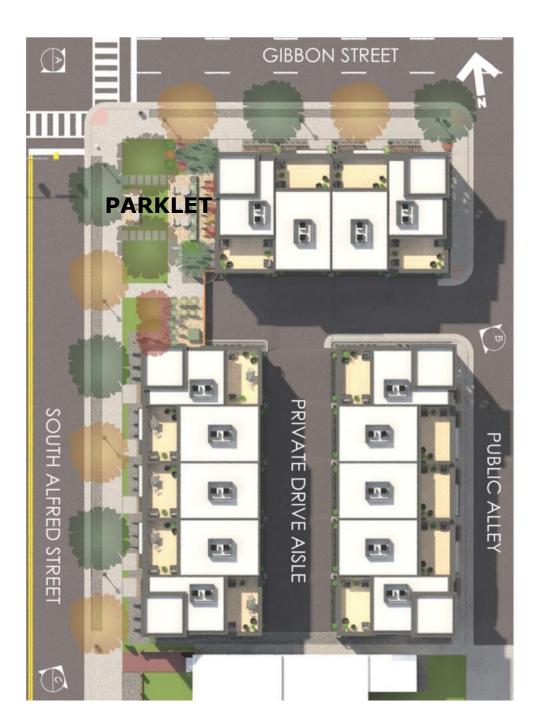
Project Location





Project Description

- 14 townhouses proposed for Becker Electric site, with 1 affordable townhouse
- Rear-loaded garage parking accessed via public alley off Gibbon Street
- Open space includes publicly accessible corner parklet and rooftop terraces
- Streetscape improvements including 10 new street trees, landscape buffer and widened sidewalks





Architecture





VIEW A - LOOKING SOUTHEAST AT THE INTERSECTION OF GIBBON STREET AND SOUTH ALFRED STREET



VIEW C - LOOKING NORTHEAST FROM SOUTH ALFRED STREET

Land Use Requests



Master Plan Amendment

Land Use Map amendment in Southwest Quadrant SAP to change site designation from CL – Commercial Low to RM – Residential Medium

Rezoning

From **CL** (Commercial Low) to **CRMU-L** (Commercial Residential Mixed Use Low)

DSUP

With Modifications

- Construction of 14 townhouses in CRMU-L zone
- SUP for increase to 1.5 FAR
- SUP for affordable housing density bonus (13%)
- SUP for land without frontage for alley lots
- Modifications to side yard setbacks and open space requirement

Encroachment

For 3 bay windows in S. Alfred Street right-of-way (44 SF total)

Considerations, Meetings & Recommendation



Considerations

- Stormwater Management: Significantly improves water quality treatment via bioretention
- Schools: 2 net new students

Benefits

- 1 set-aside for-sale affordable townhouse unit
- Replacement of underutilized commercial site and surface parking with townhouses
- Enhanced streetscape
- Publicly accessible corner open space with seating and landscaping
- High quality architecture
- Compliance with Green Building Policy
- Contributions to Bikeshare, Affordable Housing, and Public Art funds

COMMUNITY MEETINGS

DATE	MEETING
July 11, 2023	Community Meeting (Virtual)
October 11, 2023	Community Meeting (Virtual)
December 7, 2023	Alexandria Housing Affordability Advisory Committee (AHAAC)

Recommendation

Staff recommends **approval** of the request subject to the conditions in the report.