

Pamela Cole

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Subject: ODOT Comments for City of Salem Case No. SPR-ADJ21-25 - Martin

Pamela,

Thank you for notifying the Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) of the proposal at 2499-2551 Wallace Rd NW in Salem. Please include these comments in the public record and notify ODOT of the decision by sending a copy to odotr2planmgr@odot.state.or.us when available.

The site is adjacent to Salem-Dayton Highway, No. 150 (OR-221), and is subject to state laws administered by ODOT. The site currently has three highway approaches:

- MP 18.79 serving TL 1301; permitted in 1980 for five residences (Permit #26694)
- MP 18.85 serving TL 1101; presumed to be permitted for one residence
- MP 18.87 serving public right-of-way between TL 1101 and 1000

The site plan shows an internal connection with a neighboring property, which would result in an additional highway approach to serve the site:

- MP 18.92 serving TL 10000; permitted in 2020 for 48 apartments and 11,250 sqft of office/retail (Permit #57359)

The proposal to construct 189 additional apartments will trigger a Change of Use (OAR 734-051) and will require the applicant to obtain new approach permits from ODOT at MP 18.79 and 18.92. The site plan shows that the approaches at MP 18.85 and 18.87 will be closed. These will need to be replaced with standard curb, gutter, and sidewalk. The approach at MP 18.79 appears to be between 16 and 20 feet in width. This will likely not be wide enough to adequately serve the new use of the site. Rebuilding the approach to 24' would be appropriate for the use and the right-in right-out turning limitations due to the raised median in the highway.

ODOT generally defers frontage improvements to the city. If the city requires new sidewalk along any portion of the highway frontage aside from the closed approaches, the applicant will need to rebuild the sidewalk to current ODOT standards. The frontage work can be included under the same permits as the approaches.

Please contact me with any questions and to start the permitting process.

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