

# CITY OF SMYRNA

## COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

### MEMORANDUM

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To: Mayor and Council

From: Rusty Martin, AICP, Community Development Director  
Joey Staubes, AICP, Planner II

Date: June 2, 2021

CC: Joe Bennett, City Administrator

**RE: Approval for extended weekend work hours for Campbell High School**

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#### BACKGROUND

Carroll Daniel Construction, the general contractor for the construction of Campbell High School, is requesting an extension of normal work hours for the completion of an extensive interior renovation of the school. The project consists of interior demolition of classrooms and offices, the reconstruction of classrooms and the relocation of the administrative offices. This is a project that will last through July 2021. According to the contractor, the interior renovations will be occurring over the school's summer break and must be complete prior to teacher/student return.

The applicant is requesting the following work hours:

- Monday through Saturday – 7 a.m. to 9 p.m. from June 7, 2021 to July 31, 2021
- Sunday – 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. from June 7, 2021 to July 31, 2021

The proposed work hours would amount to twenty-eight additional work hours per week. The hours break down as follows: three additional hours per day Monday to Friday, five additional hours on Saturday and eight additional hours on Sunday.

The permitted project is an interior renovation to a large portion of the school that fronts on Ward Street and Powder Springs Street. The contractors will be demolishing the interior of the building within the next two weeks. The demolition period will require several deliveries and pick-ups of roll off dumpsters throughout the day. Once the demolition is complete, the remainder of the work will be completed within the building with occasional material and equipment deliveries. The contractor is asking for the extended work hours due to the tight project timeline and due to the delays caused by the pandemic that has led to labor shortages, material shortages and transportation issues.

The subject property is located at the intersection of Powder Springs Street and Ward Street and is bounded on all sides by single-family and multi-family residential development.

Per the City of Smyrna Code of Ordinance Section 46-1(b)(2)(d), noise in excess of 60 dBA for the construction of a structure shall only be permitted between the hours of 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. on weekdays, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Saturday and no work is allowed on Sunday. The intent of the ordinance is to protect surrounding residential properties from the noise created by construction on-site.

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## STAFF COMMENTS

Carroll Daniel Construction is requesting a variance from the provisions of the Noise Ordinance from June 7, 2021 to July 31, 2021 for the completion of an extensive interior renovation at Campbell High School. The variance request includes the following:

- Extension of work hours from 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. on Monday through Saturday and Sunday from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. from July 7, 2020 to July 31, 2021 for the completion of interior renovation.

Community Development has reviewed the request for extended work hours and does not recommend the extension as requested by the Contractor, but does recommend extended work hours from June 7<sup>th</sup> to July 31<sup>st</sup> as follows:

- Monday through Saturday – 7 a.m. to 9 p.m.
- Saturday – 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.
- Sunday – No work

The staff proposed hours will provide three additional hours of work per day from Monday to Saturday. The hours will be on the back half of the day when surrounding residential properties are still active. The extension will amount to eighteen total hours per week (or an extra day and seven hours per week). Community Development recommends **approval** of the **staff's recommended work hour extension**.

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