



# SMITH GILLIAM WILLIAMS & MILES

## Project Narrative for

### 5401 Old Winder Highway – 194.108 +/- Acres

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**LOCATION** – 5401 Old Winder Highway (Hwy 211)

Braselton, GA 30517

**ACERAGE** – 194.108 +/- Acres

**APPLICANT** – K2P Land Partners, LLC

**CURRENT ZONING** – AR-1

**PROPOSED ZONING** – I-I (Light-Industrial)

#### Summary

The accompanying application seeks a rezoning on the existing AR-1 zoned parcel 15039A000007, on 194.108 +/- acres located on 5401 Old Winder Highway in Braselton, Hall County, Georgia. The intent is to develop approximately 1,719,640 SF of light industrial warehouse space. The industrial space shall not exceed 80% of the site coverage in accordance with the I-I standard set forth in the 2025 Hall County, Georgia Unified Development Code. Applicant proposes 120 acres of open space (60%).

#### Site Description

The tract is located along Georgia State Route 211 (Old Winder Highway). The overall tract is mostly rectangular in shape. Domestic water is provided by the City of Gainesville. Hall County will serve the site for sewer services. There are no known impediments to its successful development for the purposes intended. All roads shall be designed and constructed to Hall County standards and dedicated to Hall County at the expense of the Applicant. Thereafter, all roadways within this development may be designated as public, but the determination as to whether it shall be maintained by Hall County or a property ownership association will be made at a later date. The entrance to the development will be located approximately midway between Pleasant Hill Lane and Ridgemoor Drive, as shown on the “GDOT Dog-bone RAB” attached as Exhibit “B”. This replaces the previously submitted roundabout in the Narrative, dated July 16, 2025.

Street Address:

Smith Gilliam Williams & Miles, P.A.  
340 Jesse Jewell Parkway, Suite 300  
Gainesville, GA 30501

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**Adjacencies**

The property abuts AR-1 and PCD to the North, PCD and PRD to the South, PCD to the East, and State Route 211 is located to the West, along with AR-1 and PCFD zonings.

**Architectural Materials & Site Improvements**

The builder intends to build:

- Approximately 1,719,640 SF of Light-Industrial warehouse space
  - Building 1: 1,001,000 SF, Cross Dock
    - Two 185’ Truck Courts
  - Building 2: 301,000 SF, Rear Load
    - One 185’ Truck Court
  - Building 3: 301,000 SF, Rear Load
    - One 135’-185’ Truck Court
  - Building 4: 116,640 SF, Rear Load
    - One 135’ Truck Court
- Buildings shall not exceed 55ft in height.
- The proposed building designs include tilt-wall concrete, cross docks, rear load docks, and truck courts.
- While the proposed site plan, renderings, elevations, and building designs may be updated and are subject to change, the final design will comply with applicable Unified Development Code Requirements.
- Speed tables in coordination with Hall County Engineering

**Parking**

Applicant is proposing 344 trailer parking spaces and 890 employee parking spaces around the light-industrial warehouses, as that is the industrial industry standard number of parking spaces for the use and size of the proposed warehouse and is consistent with other modern warehouse products that are being developed today in the northeast Georgia submarket. The site plan is subject to change, but shall comply with the standards set forth in the 2025 Hall County, Georgia Unified Development Code as follows:

Light Industrial	1.5 spaces per 5,000 square feet
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**Internal Signage**

The Developer and/or Builder shall be allowed to post permanent directional signs and monuments within the light-industrial warehouse development to direct traffic to sales and leasing centers and to identify differing areas. All permanent internal signage must be outside of

any Right of Way or Utility Easement with a Landscape and Signage easement recorded on the Final Plat. Temporary Sales and Marketing signs not exceeding 32 square feet per sign face and 8 feet in height may be used along the property frontage of Old Winder Highway. No internal signage shall conflict with the 2025 Hall County UDC.

### **Entry Monument Signage**

Applicant is requesting permission for an entry monument type of sign with a natural stone base with a sign size (monument base and signage) totaling approximately 42 SF. The entrance may include the following structural items:

- Masonry walls
- Wood or PVC fencing
- Illuminated Signage in accordance with the Hall County Sign Ordinance
- Ornamental Sculpture
- Landscaping and Irrigation

No entry monument signage shall conflict with the 2025 Hall County UDC.

### **Traffic Study**

A Traffic Study was conducted by NV5 Engineers and Consultants, Inc. 10745 Westside Way, Suite 300, Alpharetta, GA 30009. The following recommendations were made:

- Construction of a multilane roundabout at the proposed site access driveway, initially being developed as a single-lane roundabout until the GDOT project is completed
  - The initial single-lane roundabout will be constructed by the developer.
  - Submitted along with this Amended Project Narrative is a letter from GDOT, dated July 11, 2025, granting commercial driveway access by the Department of Transportation at the Subject Property location.

### **Access to SR-211**

The dog-bone design for the roundabouts on SR-211 on Ridgemoor Drive and Pleasant Hill Lane, as shown on the plans attached as exhibit "B", shall be constructed as agreed upon by GDOT and Developer, and no Certificates of Occupancy will be released to Developer, its successors, and assigns no earlier than 12-months from estimated completion of the dog-bone roundabout.

## **Conceptual Master Plan**

The development of the light-industrial warehouse development shall be controlled by the Conceptual Master Plan (the "Plan") attached as exhibit "A". The plan is considered conceptual in nature, and as such may require modifications during the engineering and development process. Modifications to the locations and arrangement of lots, roads, and other improvements that do not conflict with specific standards and requirements of these conditions may be made by the Developer so long as such modifications do not change the land use, increase the overall density of the project or reduce any established exterior buffers or setbacks.

## **REQUIRED CONSTITUTIONAL AND ANTE LITEM NOTICE**

Georgia law and the procedures of Hall County requires the Applicant to raise Federal and State constitutional objections during the I-I master plan application process. While the Applicant anticipates a smooth application process, failure to raise constitutional objections at this stage may mean that the Applicant will be barred from raising important legal claims later in the process. Accordingly, the following constitutional objections are stated:

The portions of the Hall County Development Code, facially and as applied to the Property, which restrict the Property to any uses, conditions, land use designations, development standards, or to any zoning district other than that proposed by the Applicant are unconstitutional in that they would destroy the Applicant's property rights without first paying fair, adequate and just compensation for such rights, in violation of Article I, Section I, Paragraph I and Section III, Paragraph I of the Constitution of the State of Georgia of 1983, and the Due Process Clause of the Fourteenth Amendment to the Constitution of the United States.

The application of the Hall County Development Code, facially and as applied to the Property, which restricts the Property to any uses, conditions, land use designations, development standards, or to any zoning district other than in accordance with the application as proposed by the Applicant is unconstitutional, illegal, null and void, constituting a taking of Applicant's Property in violation of the Just Compensation Clause of the Fifth Amendment to the Constitution of the United States; Article I, Section I, Paragraph I, and Section III, Paragraph I of the Constitution of the State of Georgia of 1983; and the Equal Protection and Due Process Clauses of the Fourteenth Amendment to the Constitution of the United States denying the Applicant an economically viable use of its land while not substantially advancing legitimate state interests.

A denial of this Application would be unconstitutional under the Takings Clause of the Fifth Amendment to the Constitution of the United States and the Just Compensation Clause of Article I, Section III, Paragraph I of the Constitution of the State of Georgia of 1983. A refusal by the Hall County Board of Commissioners to approve the zoning conditions as requested would constitute a taking of the Applicant's property.

A denial of this Application would constitute an arbitrary and capricious act by the Hall County Board of Commissioners without any rational basis therefore constituting an abuse of discretion in violation of Article I, Section I, Paragraph I and Section III, Paragraph I of the Constitution of the State of Georgia of 1983, and the Due Process Clause of the Fourteenth

Amendment to the Constitution of the United States. A refusal to grant the M-U zoning request would lack objective justification and would result only from neighborhood opposition, which would constitute an unlawful delegation of the zoning power to non-legislative bodies in violation of the Georgia Constitution, Article IX, Section II, Paragraph 4.

A refusal by the Hall County Board of Commissioners to approve this Application for the Property in accordance with the criteria as requested by the Applicant would be unconstitutional and discriminate in an arbitrary, capricious and unreasonable manner between the Applicant and owners of the similarly situated property in violation of Article I, Section I, Paragraph II of the Constitution of the State of Georgia of 1983 and the Equal Protection Clause of the Fourteenth Amendment to the Constitution of the United States. Any rezoning of the Property subject to conditions which are different from the conditions requested by the Applicant, to the extent such different conditions would have the effect of further restricting Applicant's utilization of the Property, would also constitute an arbitrary, capricious and discriminatory act in zoning the Property to a unconstitutional classification and would likewise violate each of the provisions of the State and Federal Constitutions set forth 8 hereinabove.

Applicant reserves all due process rights granted to them under O.C.G.A. 36-66-5.1. et. seq, to petition the courts for review of a local government's exercise of zoning, administrative, or quasi-judicial powers, as set forth in those code sections and statutes.

### **Conclusion**

For the foregoing reasons, the Applicant respectfully requests that this rezoning to I-I of an existing AR-1 zoning be granted as requested by the Applicant. If there are any questions about this request, you may contact:

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