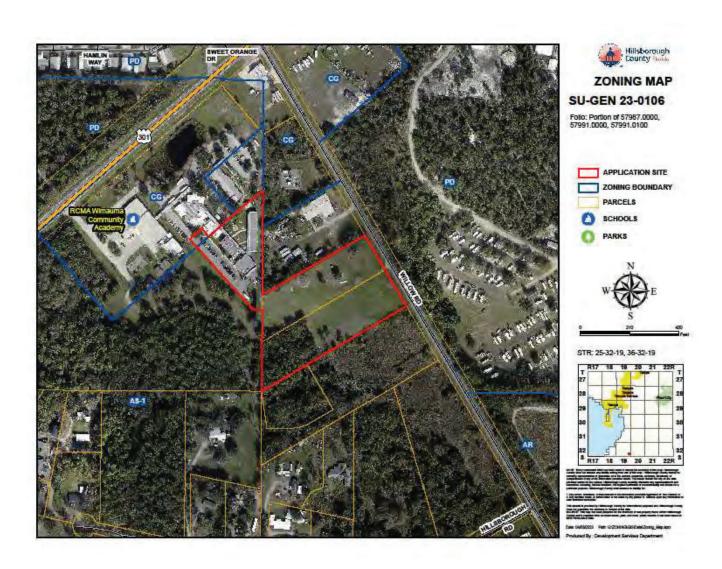


**Land Use Application Summary Report** 

Application Number:	SU 23-0106	Adjacent Zoning and Land Uses:		
Request:	Special Use Permit for a School	North: East:	AS-1, Storage/Warehouse PD, Willow Road, then Youth Camp	
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Comp Plan:	RES-1	South:	AS-1, Vacant	
Service Area:	Rural	West:	AS-1/CG, Farm Worker Housing/Ministry	



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### **Request Details:**

Pursuant to Land Development Code (LDC) Section 6.11.88, Schools, the request is for a new Special Use Permit for an existing private school at 18234 U.S. Highway 301. The school was first approved in 2000 for 120 students in grades K through 6 under Special Use permit SU 00-0573, then expanded in 2010 by SU 10-0459 to increase the number of students to 320 and allow middle school grades.

The purpose of this Special Use application is to incorporate two adjacent parcels to the east at 3128 and 3143 Willow Road that have been utilized by the school for recreation purposes. The subject request will merge the existing school site with the proposed recreation areas under one common Special Use permit.

### **Staff Findings:**

- The applicant wishes to merge an existing charter school with recreation fields and play courts on adjacent property to the east that is zoned AS-1 (Agricultural, Single Family). No changes are proposed to the number of students permitted at the school, grade levels or building gross floor area. A 6,000-square-foot metal canopy is proposed over existing play courts.
- Under the existing Special Use approval for the school, SU 10-0459, a maximum of 320 children in grades K through 8 are allowed. Additionally, a maximum of 25,000 square feet of floor space, including 10,500 square feet for four (4) modular buildings, is allowed.
- In connection with SU 10-0459, a variance was approved for the required rear yard setback along the eastern property boundary of the existing school property, folio 57987.00000, to allow a 25-foot setback along the eastern property boundary of the existing school property. The approved variance has been reflected on the proposed site plan.
- New Variance Request: The applicant is requesting a variance to the required rear yard setback for the proposed 6,000-square-foot metal canopy over existing play courts. Per LDC Section 6.01.01, a minimum 50-foot rear yard setback is required in the AS-1 district. The applicant requests a 41.45-foot reduction to the required rear yard setback to allow an 8.55-foot rear yard setback for the proposed canopy.
- Per LDC Section 6.05.02, Parking and Loading, 10 parking spaces are required for the private school (1.6 spaces per classroom x 6 classroom for grades K-8). Per the submitted site plan, 23 parking spaces (including 2 handicapped spaces) are being provided.
- Per LDC Section 6.06.06.A, Buffers Between Incompatible Land Uses, a 10-foot-wide buffer with Type A screening comprised of a six-foot-high fence, wall or hedge is required between a school use and an agricultural/single-family residential use. The proposed site plan complies with this requirement.
- Per Land Development Code Section 6.11.88.B, Schools, "the location, arrangement and lighting of play fields and playgrounds will be such as to avoid interference with the use of adjacent residential property." The proposed play fields and playground are located toward the northern portion of the site adjacent to Willow Road, away from residential properties further to the south. The proposed recreation areas will be for school related activities and events only and will not be illuminated. Directly adjacent to the south is vacant agriculturally zoned property. There is also a heavily vegetated area along the southern portion of the site that provides additional screening to residential properties further south. Additionally, as noted above, a 10-foot buffer with Type

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A screening will be provided adjacent to the neighboring properties zoned AS-1. Staff finds these measures should adequately limit and mitigate playfield impacts on the neighboring homes.

• Transportation staff has no objection to the proposed school, subject to five conditions which have been incorporated into the proposed conditions of approval. A summary of the Transportation report is provided below, and the full transportation report is provided in Exhibit 4.

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There were no objections received from the reviewing agencies. The Environmental Protection Commission has no objections to the proposed school. Wetlands Management Division staff of the Environmental Protection Commission of Hillsborough County (EPC) inspected the site in order to determine the extent of any wetlands and other surface waters pursuant to Chapter 1-11, Rules of the EPC. This determination was performed using the methodology described within Chapter 62-

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340, Florida Administrative Code, and adopted into Chapter 1-11. The site inspection revealed that no wetlands or other surface waters exist within the parcel.

• The surrounding area is primarily residential and agricultural in character. The existing school site is located adjacent to the Beth-El Farm Worker Ministry church. The proposed play field recreation area is located adjacent to a commercial storage operation to the north and vacant agricultural land to the south. Staff finds the proposed school compatible with the surrounding area.

### **Recommendation:**

Based on the above findings, staff finds the Special Use request to be approvable subject to the recommended conditions.

### **Exhibits:**

Exhibit 1: Vicinity Map

Exhibit 2: Immediate Zoning Map Exhibit 3: Future Land Use Map Exhibit 4: Transportation Report

Exhibit 5: Proposed Site Plan (23-0106)

### **Recommended Conditions:**

Approval – Approval of the request, subject to the conditions listed below, is based on the general site plan submitted on April 6, 2023.

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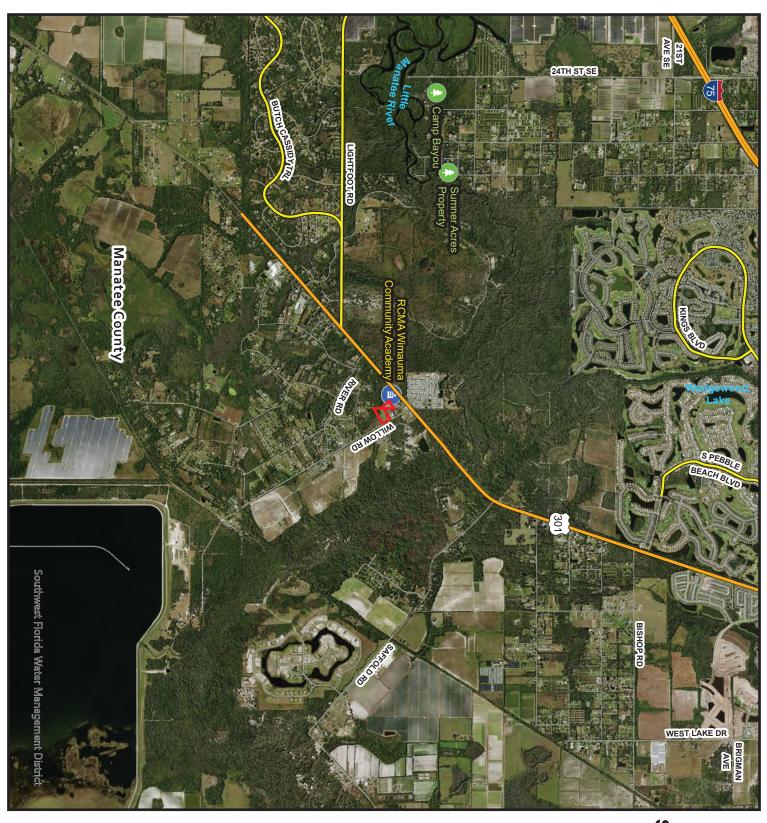
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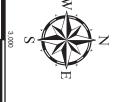
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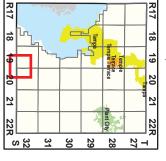


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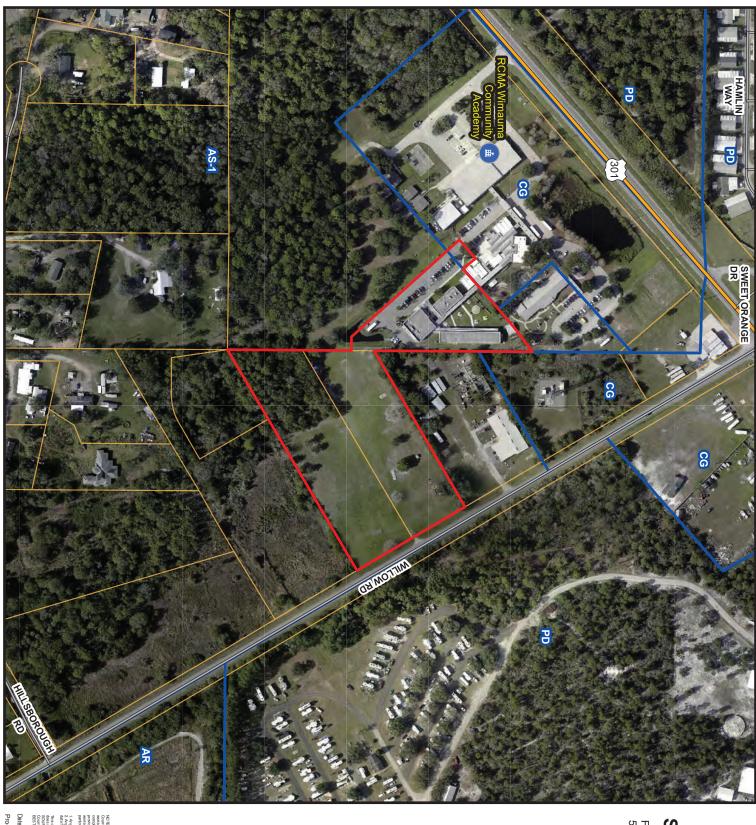


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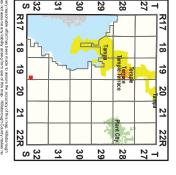
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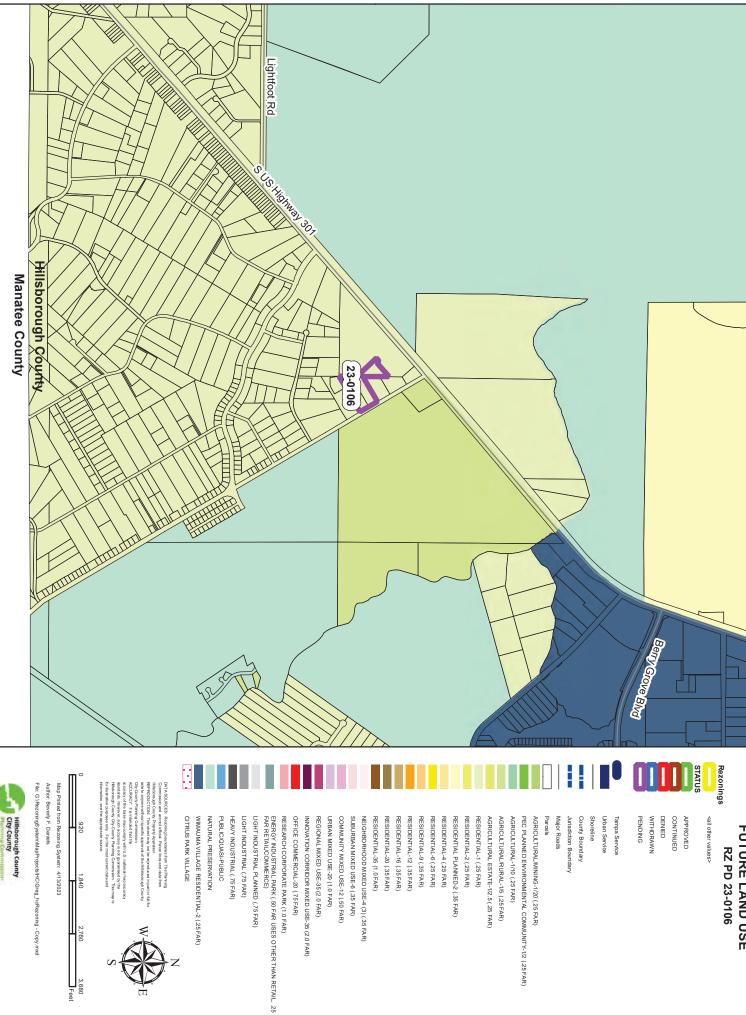


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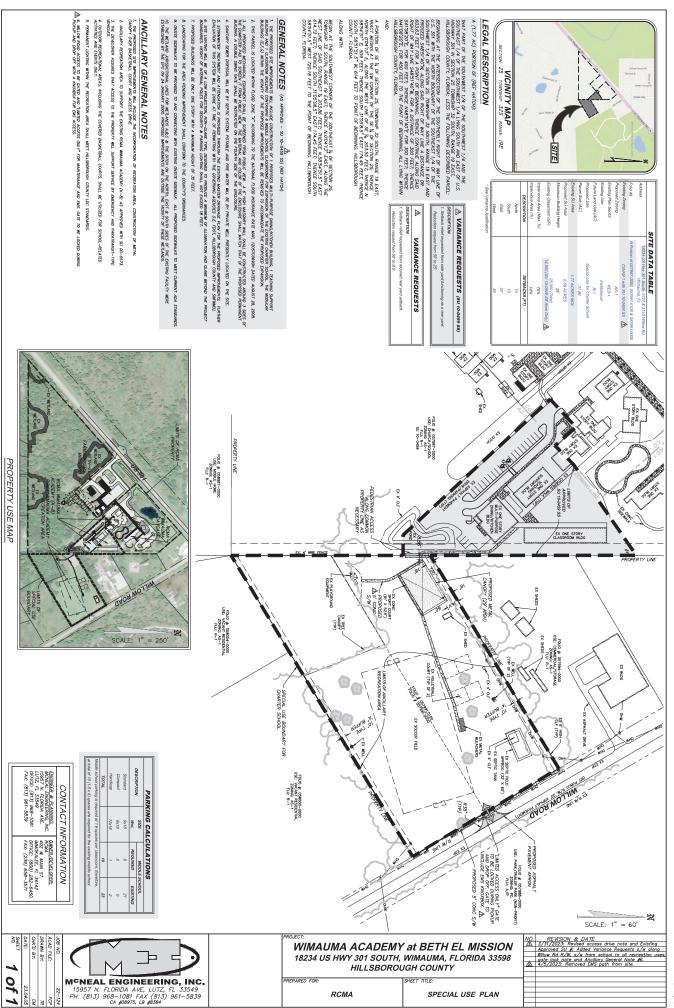
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Hearing Date: May 22, 2023  Report Prepared: May 10, 2023  Summary Data:	Petition: SU 23-0106  18234 US Highway 301 South, 3127 & 3143 Willow Road  South of US Highway 301 South, west of Willow Road					
Comprehensive Plan Finding	CONSISTENT					
Adopted Future Land Use	Residential-1 (1 du/ga; 0.25 FAR)					
Service Area	Rural					
Community Plan	Little Manatee South, Southshore Areawide Systems					
Special Use Request	Special Use to expand existing charter school for recreation area					
Parcel Size (Approx.)	31.96 +/- acres					
Street Functional Classification	US Highway 301 South – State Principal Arterial Willow Road – County Collector					
Locational Criteria	N/A					
Evacuation Area	D, E					



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### Context

- The subject site is located south of US Highway 301 South and west of Willow Road on approximately 31.96 acres.
- The site is in the Rural Area and within the limits of the Little Manatee South and Southshore Areawide Systems Community Plans.
- The site has a Future Land Use designation of Residential-1 (RES-1), which allows for consideration of up to 1 dwelling unit per gross acre and a maximum Floor Area Ratio (FAR) of 0.25. Typical uses in the RES-1 include farms, ranches, residential uses, rural scale neighborhood commercial uses, offices, and multi-purpose projects. Commercial, office, and multi-purpose uses are required to meet locational criteria for specific land uses. Agricultural uses may be permitted pursuant to policies in the agricultural objective areas of the Future Land Use Element.
- The subject site is surrounded by several designations. Residential-1 (RES-1) is located
  to the north and south. To the west is designated Natural Preservation (N) and to the east
  is designated Agricultural Rural (AR-1/5). Surrounding uses include Masonic Park, County
  owned conservation land, agricultural land, a mobile home park, single family residential,
  and some light commercial.
- The subject site is zoned Agricultural, Single-Family (AS-1) and is currently being utilized as a church and charter school. In the general vicinity, the site is surrounded by Planned Development (PD) zoning, AS-1 zoning, and Agricultural Rural (AR) zoning. There are a few parcels of Commercial General (CG) zoning to the north of the subject site.
- The applicant requests a Special Use approval for the expansion of an existing charter school and improvement of a recreation area with associated pedestrian connectivity.

### **Compliance with Comprehensive Plan:**

The following Goals, Objectives and Policies apply to this rezoning request and are used as a basis for a consistency finding.

### **Future Land Use Element**

### Rural Area

**Objective 4:** The Rural Area will provide areas for long term, agricultural uses and large lot, low density rural residential uses which can exist without the threat of urban or suburban encroachment, with the goal that no more than 20% of all population growth within the County will occur in the Rural Area.

**Policy 4.1: Rural Area Densities** Within rural areas, densities shown on the Future Land Use Map will be no higher than 1 du/5 ga unless located within an area identified with a higher density land use category on the Future Land Use Map as a suburban enclave, planned village, a Planned Development pursuant to the PEC ½ category, or rural community which will carry higher densities.

### Land Use Categories

**Objective 8:** The Future Land Use Map will include Land Use Categories which outline the maximum level of intensity or density and range of permitted land uses allowed and planned for an area. A table of the land use categories and description of each category can be found in Appendix A.

**Policy 8.1:** The character of each land use category is defined by building type, residential density, functional use, and the physical composition of the land. The integration of these factors sets the general atmosphere and character of each land use category. Each category has a range of potentially permissible uses which are not exhaustive, but are intended to be illustrative of the character of uses permitted within the land use designation. Not all of those potential uses are routinely acceptable anywhere within that land use category.

### Relationship to Land Development Regulations

**Objective 9:** All existing and future land development regulations shall be made consistent with the Comprehensive Plan, and all development approvals shall be consistent with those development regulations as per the timeframe provided for within Chapter 163, Florida Statutes. Whenever feasible and consistent with Comprehensive Plan policies, land development regulations shall be designed to provide flexible, alternative solutions to problems.

**Policy 9.1:** Each land use plan category shall have a set of zoning districts that may be permitted within that land use plan category, and development shall not be approved for zoning that is inconsistent with the plan.

**Policy 9.2:** Developments must meet or exceed the requirements of all land development regulations as established and adopted by Hillsborough County, the state of Florida and the federal government unless such requirements have been previously waived by those governmental bodies.

### **Neighborhood/Community Development**

**Objective 16: Neighborhood Protection** – The neighborhood is the functional unit of community development. There is a need to protect existing, neighborhoods and communities and those that will emerge in the future. To preserve, protect, and enhance neighborhoods and communities, all new development must conform to the following policies.

**Policy 16.2:** Gradual transitions of intensities between different land uses shall be provided for as new development is proposed and approved, through the use of professional site planning, buffering, and screening techniques and control of specific land uses.

**Policy 16.3:** Development and redevelopment shall be integrated with the adjacent land uses through:

- a) the creation of like uses; or
- b) creation of complementary uses; or
- c) mitigation of adverse impacts; and
- d) transportation/pedestrian connections

### Objective 17: Neighborhood and Community Serving Uses

Certain non-residential land uses, including but not limited to residential support uses and public facilities, shall be allowed within residential neighborhoods to directly serve the population. These uses shall be located and designed in a manner to be compatible to the surrounding residential development pattern.

**Policy 17.1:** Residential support uses (child care centers, adult care centers, churches, etc.) is an allowable land use in any of the residential, commercial and industrial land use plan categories consistent with the following criteria:

The facility shall be of a design, intensity and scale to serve the surrounding neighborhood or the non-residential development in which it occurs, and to be compatible with the surrounding land uses and zoning.

**Policy 17.7:** New development and redevelopment must mitigate the adverse noise, visual, odor and vibration impacts created by that development upon all adjacent land uses.

### **Community Design Component (CDC)**

### 5.0 NEIGHBORHOOD LEVEL DESIGN 5.1 COMPATIBILITY

**OBJECTIVE 12-1:** New developments should recognize the existing community and be designed in a way that is compatible with the established character of the surrounding neighborhood.

**Policy 12-1.4:** Compatibility may be achieved through the utilization of site design techniques including but not limited to transitions in uses, buffering, setbacks, open space and graduated height restrictions, to affect elements such as height, scale, mass and bulk of structures, pedestrian or vehicular traffic, circulation, access and parking impacts, landscaping, lighting, noise, odor and architecture.

### Livable Communities Element: Little Manatee South

### Goal 4 Infrastructure and Services

### Schools

It is the desire of the Little Manatee South community that collocation practices be utilized for all school sites and public or state properties to ensure opportunities for shared uses:

- For the coordination of the location of community facilities between County, state and federal agencies and departments.
- Partner with private and non-profit organization at the time of planning and development of community facilities and programs.
- Clustering of public services, such as police and fire, and school sites.

### Southshore Areawide Systems

### Cultural/Historic Objective

The community desires to:

Enhance community capacity and retain the unique character of communities in SouthShore.

- a. Encourage citizens to participate in their civic associations, chambers of commerce, schools and homeowners associations to work toward implementation of the vision.
- f. Work with local and regional groups, civic associations and chambers of commerce to identify opportunities for the co-location of future recreational, community, cultural, civic centers, with civic amenities (e.g. schools, libraries, emergency services, post offices, government agencies), and use those facilities as focal points of the communities.

### **Staff Analysis of Goals Objectives and Policies:**

The subject site is located south of US Highway 301 South and west of Willow Road on approximately 31.96 acres. The site is in the Rural Area and within the limits of the Little Manatee South and Southshore Areawide Systems Community Plans. The applicant requests a Special Use approval for the expansion of an existing charter school to improve a recreation area and associated pedestrian connectivity. The use is currently approved under SU 10-0459. Surrounding uses include Masonic Park, County owned conservation land, agricultural land, a mobile home park, single family residential, and some light commercial.

The subject site is in the Rural Area, which is intended for long term, agricultural uses and large lot, low density rural residential uses which can exist without the threat of urban or suburban encroachment. Furthermore, the site is in the Residential-1 Future Land Use category which is intended for rural residential uses, rural scale neighborhood commercial, office and multipurpose projects when locational criteria is met. The applicant is proposing to expand the special use area for the charter school for the improvement of an existing recreation area. The proposed improvements for the recreation are low intensity in nature and will allow the site to remain rural in character. Therefore, the proposal is consistent with Objective 8 and Policy 8.1 of the Future Land Use Element (FLUE).

The proposed rezoning meets the intent of Objective 16 and associated policies relating to neighborhood protection. The subject site is surrounded by existing recreational uses on site, conservation land, some light commercial uses, and some single-family residential uses. The existing vegetation and conservation land on and surrounding the site acts as a buffer from the surrounding uses. Furthermore, the main access to the site is located off US Highway 301 and emergency access is limited to Willow Road, which will restrict traffic from the single-family neighborhoods in the area. The proposal is consistent with the existing surrounding development. On the school campus there are currently existing volleyball courts and a soccer field. Proposed improvements to expand the recreation area include a metal canopy over an existing sports court, and pedestrian connectivity between the school parcel and the recreation parcels. The application is consistent with Objective 12 and Policy 12-4.1 of the CDC as well as Policies 16.1, 16.2, and 16.3 of the FLUE. The proposed modifications will not result in any increase in trip counts and will not have adverse impact to the surrounding neighborhood as the school use is existing. The proposal also meets the intent of Objective 17 and Policy 17.1 as the school is a residential support use and the improvements are designed to fit the character of a neighborhood.

The subject site meets the intent of the Little Manatee South and Southshore Areawide Systems Community Plans as schools, recreational amenities, and public services are identified as goals. The proposed improvements to the recreation area will serve an existing school and church site and further the goals outlined in the Community Plans.

Overall, staff finds that the proposed Special Use request would allow for development that is consistent with the Rural Area and RES-1 category. The proposed Special Use would allow for development that is consistent with the Goals, Objectives, and Policies of the *Unincorporated Hillsborough County Comprehensive Plan*.

### Recommendation

Based upon the above considerations, Planning Commission staff finds the proposed Special Use **CONSISTENT** with the *Unincorporated Hillsborough County Comprehensive Plan*, subject to the conditions proposed by the County Development Services Department.