

City of San Antonio

Legislation Details (With Text)

File #: 18-6548

Type: Zoning Case

In control: Board of Adjustment

On agenda: 12/3/2018

Title: BOA-18-900006: A request by Claudia Silveira for a special exception to allow the operation of a

beauty/barber shop in a home, located at 127 Middlebury Drive. Staff recommends Approval.

(Council District 10)

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Case Number: BOA-18-900006
Applicant: Claudia Silveira
Owner: Claudia Silveira

Council District: 10

Location: 127 Middlebury Drive

Legal Lot 7, Block 7, NCB 12457

Description:

Zoning: "R-6 AHOD" Residential Single-Family Airport Hazard

Overlay District

Case Manager: Nyliah Acosta, Planner

Request

A request for a special exception, as described in Section 35-399.01, to allow a one-operator beauty/barber shop within a home.

Executive Summary

The subject property is located at 127 Middlebury Drive. This is the first time the applicant is applying for a one operator beauty salon. Section 35-399.01(i) of the UDC allows the Board to approve the requested special exception for a period not to exceed four years. The applicant has proposed the hours of operation as Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday from 9:00AM to 5:00PM, Friday from 9:00AM to 4:00 PM and Saturday from 9:00AM to 3:00PM. The applicant is the only cosmetologist on site.

It has been the Board's policy that when considering to a granted special exception application for one operator beauty salons to limit the first approval for an initial two-year period. As such, if approval is contemplated by the Board, it should be for a time limit of two years (24 months). If approved for two years, the current special

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exception request would expire December 3, 2020.

Code Enforcement History

No violations of the requirements of the UDC were observed upon a staff visit to the site, and there have been no code violations reported.

Permit History

No permits have been issued within the last 10 years.

Subject Property Zoning/Land Use

Existing Zoning	Existing Use
"R-6 AHOD" Residential Single-Family	Single-Family Dwelling
Airport Hazard Overlay District	

Surrounding Zoning/Land Use

Orientation	Existing Zoning District(s)	Existing Use
North	"R-6 AHOD" Residential Single-Family Airport Hazard Overlay District	Single-Family Dwelling, Multi-Family
South	"R-6 AHOD" Residential Single-Family Airport Hazard Overlay District	Single-Family Dwelling
East	"R-6 AHOD" Residential Single-Family Airport Hazard Overlay District	Single-Family Dwelling
West	"R-6 AHOD" Residential Single-Family Airport Hazard Overlay District	Single-Family Dwelling

Comprehensive Plan Consistency/Neighborhood Association

The property is within the San Antonio International Airport Vicinity Plan and is designated Low Density Residential in the land use component of the plan. The subject property is not within, no 200 feet from any registered neighborhood association.

Criteria for Review

According to Section 35-482(e) of the UDC, in order for a variance to be granted, the applicant must demonstrate all of the following:

A. The special exception will be in harmony with the spirit and purpose of the chapter.

The spirit of the chapter, in this case, is represented by minimum requirements to ensure that the operation of a one-operator beauty/barber shop does not negatively impact the character of the community or the quality of life of neighbors. Staff noted that nothing about the home distinguishes it from others in the community. The applicant has fulfilled all requirements for a one-operator shop as established in the Unified Development Code. Staff finds that the special exception is in harmony with the spirit of the chapter.

B. The public welfare and convenience will be substantially served.

The applicant has already constructed the beauty/barber shop within her home and this is her first request for a special exception. Approving the request for the special exception, with limited hours, will

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allow the applicant to serve customers in her community and therefore the public welfare will be served.

C. The neighboring property will not be substantially injured by such proposed use.

The requested special exception is not likely to negatively impact adjacent property owners because the home is in character with those around it. During field visits staff noted nothing visible from the street that would indicate the presence of a beauty/barber shop. Also, during field visits staff noted a driveway capable of providing any necessary parking for the proposed use.

D. The special exception will not alter the essential character of the district and location in which the property for which the special exception is sought.

The requested special exception is not likely to alter the essential character of the district as the property is still used, primarily, as a single-family residence. From the street, the home is not unlike other homes in the community.

E. The special exception will not weaken the general purpose of the district or the regulations herein established for the specific district.

The primary use of the dwelling remains a single-family home. The one-operator barber/beauty shop will have restricted hours, which are established by the Board of Adjustment. The applicant has met all other requirements established by the Unified Development Code.

Alternative to Applicant's Request

The applicant is denied the operator beauty shop request pursuant to section 35-399.01.

Staff Recommendation

Staff recommends APPROVAL of the special exception in BOA-18-900006 for a period of twenty four months not to exceed forty hours per week, based on the following findings of fact:

- 1. The applicant has complied with all requirements established by the Unified Development Code: and
- 2. The granting of the special exception will not injure the public safety or welfare of the subject neighboring properties.