



City of San Antonio

Agenda Memorandum

File Number:15-3977

Agenda Item Number: 14.

Agenda Date: 7/8/2015

In Control: Planning Commission

DEPARTMENT: Development Services

COUNCIL DISTRICTS IMPACTED: District 7

SUBJECT:

Plan Amendment 15060

(Applicant has not filed an Associated Zoning Case)

SUMMARY:

Comprehensive Plan Component: Near Northwest Community Plan

Plan Adoption Date: February 14, 2002

Current Land Use Category: Neighborhood Commercial

Proposed Land Use Category: Community Commercial

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

Planning Commission Hearing Date: July 8, 2015

Case Manager: Robert C. Acosta, Planner

Property Owner: Joel and Julieta Castillo

Applicant: Joel and Julieta Castillo

Representative: Joel and Julieta Castillo

Location: Approximately 0.1036 acres of land being Lot S IRR 44 FT of 25 and 26 in NCB 1989 located at 2327 North Zarzamora Street.

Total Acreage: 0.1036

Notices Mailed

Owners of Property within 200 feet: 22

Registered Neighborhood Associations within 200 feet: Woodlawn Lake Community Association

Planning Team: 17
Applicable Agencies: None

Transportation

Thoroughfare: Zarzamora Street
Existing Character: Secondary Arterial Type B
Proposed Changes: None

Thoroughfare: Woodlawn Avenue
Existing Character: Secondary Arterial Type B
Proposed Changes: None

Thoroughfare: West Craig Place
Existing Character: Local Street
Proposed Changes: None

Thoroughfare: West French Place
Existing Character: Local Street
Proposed Changes: None

Public Transit:

There is a VIA bus stop along side of the subject property on Zarzamora Street.

ISSUE:

Plan Adoption Date: February 14, 2002
Update History: None

Goal 2, Objective 2.2: Business Development - Create opportunities for new business development to ensure a diversity of attractive businesses in pedestrian friendly environment.

Comprehensive Land Use Categories

Neighborhood Commercial: The Neighborhood Commercial land use category provides for offices, professional services, and shop front retail uses that are pedestrian-oriented. Neighborhood Commercial uses should be located at the intersection of a collector and local street or where an existing commercial area has been established. Structures should have a maximum of 5,000 square feet of the square footage of an existing building. Examples of Neighborhood Commercial uses include gift shops, delis, offices, restaurants, beauty parlors, small neighborhood groceries or markets, coffee shops, shoe repair shops and medical clinics. Drive-through establishments are not desirable. Live/ work units, allowing for residential use above commercial space, as well as a limited number of apartments are preferred.

Example Zoning Districts:

NC, C1

Comprehensive Land Use Categories

Community Commercial: Community Commercial development includes a medium and high density land use that draws its customer base from a larger community. Community Commercial uses are typically located on arterials at major intersections (nodes) or in established commercial areas along arterials. Examples of Community Commercial uses include convenience stores with gas stations, grocery stores, apartments, and community shopping centers. Community Commercial uses should incorporate well-defined and accessible entrances, shared internal circulation, and limited curb cuts to arterial streets, ample sidewalks, and well-designed monument signage. Community Commercial centers should be designed to create safe, attractive, and convenient vehicular and pedestrian linkages with adjoining land uses.

Example Zoning Districts:

NC, C-1, C-2P, C-2, O-1

Land Use Overview

Subject Property

Future Land Use Classification

Neighborhood Commercial

Current Use

Commercial Use

North

Future Land Use Classification

Neighborhood Commercial

Current Use

Multi-Family Residences

East

Future Land Use Classification

Neighborhood Commercial

Current Use

Commercial Uses

South

Future Land Use Classification

Neighborhood Commercial

Current Use

Commercial Uses

West

Future Land Use Classification

Neighborhood Commercial

Current Use

Single and Multi-Family Residences

LAND USE ANALYSIS:

The applicant requests this plan amendment and associated zoning change in order to bring the subject property into compliance with applicable zoning regulations. The subject property is currently zoned “C-2” Commercial District. The applicant was cited by Code Enforcement for a zoning violation; utilizing the property as a construction trades contractor facility, which requires industrial zoning. In order to accommodate this use, the applicant will be requesting to rezone to “C-2 CD” Commercial District with a Conditional Use for a Construction Trades Contractor Facility. Rezoning to a Conditional Use avoids a land use change to Industrial. The subject property’s location along Zarzamora Street, a major arterial, together with its close proximity to existing neighborhood commercial uses and residential uses, make it inappropriate for the Community Commercial land use classification. The development of the subject property with the Community Commercial land use classification and proposed industrial use would significantly alter the existing development pattern and conflict with the goals of the Near Northwest Plan of promoting compatibility and appropriateness between uses.

ALTERNATIVES:

1. Recommend approval of the proposed amendment to the Near Northwest Community Plan, as presented above.

2. Make an alternate recommendation.
3. Continue to a future date.

FISCAL IMPACT:

None

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends denial. The subject property's location along Zarzamora Street, a major arterial, together with its close proximity to existing neighborhood commercial uses and residential uses, make it inappropriate for the Community Commercial land use classification. The development of the subject property with the Community Commercial land use classification and proposed industrial use would significantly alter the existing development pattern and conflict with the goals of the Near Northwest Plan of promoting compatibility and appropriateness between uses.

ZONING COMMISSION SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION:

Current Zoning: "C-2 NCD AHOD" Commercial District Neighborhood Conservation District Airport Hazard Overlay District

Proposed Zoning: "C-2 CD NCD AHOD" Commercial Woodlawn Conservation Airport Hazard Overlay District with a Conditional Use for Construction Trades Contractor Facility

Zoning Commission Hearing Date: Not Scheduled