



City of San Antonio

Agenda Memorandum

Agenda Date: July 5, 2022

In Control: Zoning Commission Meeting

DEPARTMENT: Development Services Department

DEPARTMENT HEAD: Michael Shannon

COUNCIL DISTRICTS IMPACTED: District 3

SUBJECT:
ZONING CASE Z-2022-10700124 CD

SUMMARY:

Current Zoning: "R-6 CD AHOD" Residential Single-Family Airport Hazard Overlay District with a Conditional Use for a Multi-Family Complex not to exceed 25 buildings and 50 units

Requested Zoning: "C-2 CD AHOD" Commercial Airport Hazard Overlay District with a Conditional Use for Auto Repair

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

Zoning Commission Hearing Date: July 5, 2022. This case is continued from the June 21, 2022 hearing.

Case Manager: Elizabeth Steward, Planner

Property Owner: Jesus Manuel & Natividad Torresday

Applicant: Jesus Manuel & Natividad Torresday

Representative: Patrick Christensen

Location: 203 West Buchanan Boulevard

Legal Description: The Southern 528.8 Feet of Lot 300, Block 30, NCB 11129

Total Acreage: 3.72

Notices Mailed

Owners of Property within 200 feet: 20

Registered Neighborhood Associations within 200 feet: N/A

Applicable Agencies: Planning Department

Property Details

Property History: The property was annexed into the City of San Antonio by Ordinance 18115, dated September 24, 1952 and zoned "B" Residence District. The property was rezoned by Ordinance 66677, dated February 28, 1988 to "R-1" Single-Family Residence District. Under the 2001 Unified Development Code, established by Ordinance 93881, dated May 03, 2001, the property zoned "R-1" Single-Family Residence District converted to "R-6" Residential Single-Family District. The property was rezoned by Ordinance 100056, dated December 9, 2004 to the current "R-6 CD" Residential Single-Family District with Conditional Use for a Multi-Family Complex not to exceed 25 buildings and 50 units.

Topography: The property does not include any abnormal physical features such as slope or incursion in a floodplain.

Adjacent Base Zoning and Land Uses

Direction: North

Current Base Zoning: R-6

Current Land Uses: Residential Dwelling

Direction: South

Current Base Zoning: RM-4 and R-6

Current Land Uses: Outdoor Flea Market

Direction: East

Current Base Zoning: R-6

Current Land Uses: Residential Dwelling

Direction: West

Current Base Zoning: R-6

Current Land Uses: Residential Dwelling

Overlay District Information:

The "AHOD" Airport Hazard Overlay District, due to the location of the property and its proximity to an airport or approach path, does not restrict permitted uses, but can require additional review of construction plans by both the Development Services Department and the Federal Aviation Administration. The "MLOD-2" Lackland Military Lighting Overlay District does not restrict permitted uses, but does regulate outdoor lighting in an effort to minimize night-time light pollution and its effects on operations at the military installation.

Special District Information:

N/A.

Transportation

Thoroughfare: West Buchanan Boulevard

Existing Character: Local

Proposed Changes: None Known

Public Transit: There is public transit within walking distance of the subject property.

Routes Served: 44

Traffic Impact: The traffic generated by the proposed development does not exceed the threshold requirements. Development generates less than seventy-six (76) PHT Sec. 35-502** A TIA Report is Not Required.

Parking Information: The minimum parking requirement for Auto and Light Truck Repair is 1 space per 500 sf GFA including service bays, wash tunnels and retail areas, plus 2 additional spaces for each inside service bay. The maximum parking limit for Auto and Light Truck Repair is 1 space per 375 sf GFA including service bays, wash tunnels and retail areas, plus 2 additional spaces for each inside service bay.

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Existing Character: Local

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ISSUE:

None.

ALTERNATIVES:

Current Zoning: Single-family dwelling (detached) with a minimum lot size of 6,000 square feet and a minimum lot width of 50 feet, foster family home, public and private schools.

Proposed Zoning: C-2 districts accommodate community commercial uses, with unlimited building size, and building height limitation of 25 feet. Examples of permitted uses: liquor store, miniature golf and other indoor gaming facilities, small indoor movie theater, pet cemetery, auto & light truck oil, lube & tune-up, auto glass tinting, tire repair (sale and installation only), gas station, appliance sales & repair, charitable food & clothing banks and dry cleaning. No outdoor storage or display of goods shall be permitted except for outdoor dining.

FISCAL IMPACT:

None.

PROXIMITY TO REGIONAL CENTER/PREMIUM TRANSIT CORRIDOR:

Subject property is located within ½ mile from the Texas A&M San Antonio Regional Center but is not within ½ a mile from a Premium Transit Corridor.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff Analysis and Recommendation: Staff recommends Denial.

Criteria for Review: According to Section 35-421, zoning amendments shall be based on approval criteria below.

1. **Consistency:** The subject property is located within the West/ Southwest Sector Plan and is currently designated as “General Urban Tier” in the future land use component of the plan. Although C-2 is permitted in the General Urban Tier designation, the request for C-2 is not appropriate for the surrounding area. The surrounding area is designated R-6 in all directions. Single family homes exist to the north, east and west.
2. **Adverse Impacts on Neighboring Lands:** Staff finds evidence of likely adverse impacts on neighboring lands in relation to this zoning change request. The proposed use is not consistent with the established development pattern of the surrounding area. The surrounding area is largely developed as Residential Single-Family Homes.

3. **Suitability as Presently Zoned:** The existing “R-6” Residential Single-Family District is an appropriate zoning for the property and surrounding area. The proposed “C-2” brings more intensive uses to the property and is not appropriate for the property and surrounding area.
4. **Health, Safety and Welfare:** Staff has found indication of likely adverse effects on the public health, safety, or welfare. The proposed request is for an Auto Repair Facility which is abutting single family homes, which can result in excess noise.
5. **Public Policy:** The request does appear to conflict with public policy objectives of the West/Southwest Sector Plan.
 - Goal LU-1: Land use pattern emphasizes compatibility and appropriateness between uses, and protects neighborhoods and businesses from incompatible land uses
 - o LU-1.1: Limit encroachment of commercial uses into established low-density residential areas
 - o LU-1.3: Ensure that high density / intensity land uses are buffered and screened to reduce the impact on lower density / intensity land uses that are nearby
 - GCF Goal 5: Growth and city form support improved livability in existing and future neighborhoods.
6. **Size of Tract:** The 3.72 acre site is of sufficient size to accommodate the proposed commercial development.
7. **Other Factors** The applicant intends to construct an Auto Repair Facility. The Conditional Use zoning procedure is designed to provide for a land use that is not permitted by the established zoning district, but due to individual site considerations or unique development requirements would be compatible with adjacent land uses under given conditions. The applicant is rezoning to develop an Auto Repair Facility. The zoning request includes a request for nonresidential uses or multifamily uses adjacent (refer to definition in Appendix A as there is a difference between abutting and adjacent) to an existing single family residential use, the applicant is required to construct and maintain a 6 foot solid screen fence, prior to obtaining a Certificate of Occupancy, per Section 35-514(d). The applicant can request City Council modify or exempt this requirement.