



# City of San Antonio

## Agenda Memorandum

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**Agenda Date:** October 3, 2023

**In Control:** Zoning Commission Meeting

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**DEPARTMENT:** Development Services Department

**DEPARTMENT HEAD:** Michael Shannon

**COUNCIL DISTRICTS IMPACTED:** District 5

**SUBJECT:**

Zoning Case Z-2023-10700186

**SUMMARY:**

**Current Zoning:** "C-2 MLOD-2 MLR-2 AHOD" Commercial Lackland Military Lighting Overlay Military Lighting Region 2 Airport Hazard Overlay District

**Requested Zoning:** "MF-25 MLOD-2 MLR-2 AHOD" Low Density Multi-Family Lackland Military Lighting Overlay Military Lighting Region 2 Airport Hazard Overlay

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION:**

**Zoning Commission Hearing Date:** October 3, 2023. This case was continued from September 5, 2023, and September 19, 2023.

**Case Manager:** Camryn Blackmon, Zoning Planner

**Property Owner:** Golden Trading LLC

**Applicant:** Golden Trading LLC

**Representative:** Asad Halai

**Location:** 1407 Leal Street

**Legal Description:** Lot 10A, Lot 10B, and Lot 11A, NCB 2190

**Total Acreage:** 0.2826

**Notices Mailed**

**Owners of Property within 200 feet:** 24

**Registered Neighborhood Associations within 200 feet:** Prospect Hill and West End Hope in Action

**Applicable Agencies:** Office of Historic Preservation, Planning Department, Lackland AFB

**Property Details**

**Property History:** The subject property was part of the original 36 square miles of the City of San Antonio and was zoned “J” Commercial District. Under the 2001 Unified Development Code, established by Ordinance 93881, dated May 03, 2001, the property zoned “J” Commercial District converted to “I-1” General Industrial District. The property was rezoned by Ordinance 2023-02-02-0056, dated February 2, 2023, to the current “C-2” Commercial District.

**Code & Permitting Details**

There is no relevant code enforcement or permitting history for the subject property.

**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:** “C-3NA”

**Current Land Uses:** Retail

**Direction:** East

**Current Base Zoning:** “I-1” and “C-3”

**Current Land Uses:** Auto Repair Shop

**Direction:** South

**Current Base Zoning:** “R-6”

**Current Land Uses:** Single-Family Dwelling

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**Current Base Zoning:** “R-6”

**Current Land Uses:** Single-Family Dwelling

**Overlay District Information:**

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.

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.

**Special District Information:**

None.

**Transportation**

**Thoroughfare:** Leal Street

**Existing Character:** None

**Proposed Changes:** None known

**Thoroughfare:** North Zarzamora Street

**Existing Character:** Secondary Arterial B

**Proposed Changes:** None known

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

**Routes Served:** 79, 103, 277

**Traffic Impact:** A Traffic Impact Worksheet was submitted. Any additional traffic requirements will be reviewed at the build permit phase of the project.

**Parking Information:** The minimum parking requirement for 7 dwelling units is 1.5 per unit. The maximum parking requirement for 7 dwelling units is 2 per unit.

**ISSUE:**

None.

**ALTERNATIVES:**

Current Zoning: "C-2" Commercial District accommodates 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.

Proposed Zoning: "MF-25" Low Density Multi-Family District allows any uses permitted plus in MF-18 plus college fraternity dwelling, off-campus school dormitory/housing, but with a maximum density of 25 units per acre.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

None.

**PROXIMITY TO REGIONAL CENTER/PREMIUM TRANSIT CORRIDOR:**

Subject property is not located within a Regional Center and within ½ a mile from the Zarzamora Premium Transit Corridor

## **RECOMMENDATION:**

**Staff Analysis and Recommendation:** Staff recommends Approval.

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

1. **Consistency:** The subject property is not located within a Neighborhood, Community, or Sector Plan therefore a finding of consistency is based on existing and surrounding zoning and uses.
2. **Adverse Impacts on Neighboring Lands:** Staff does not find evidence of likely adverse impacts on neighboring lands in relation to this zoning change request. The proposed use is consistent with the established development pattern of the surrounding area.
3. **Suitability as Presently Zoned:** The existing “C-2” Commercial District is an appropriate zoning for the property and surrounding area. The requested “MF-25” is also an appropriate zoning for the property and surrounding area. The property is fittingly placed for multi-family use, sitting between a single-family residence and an auto body and repair shop, creating a buffer between the conflicting uses. Additionally, the request is consistent with the goals of the Strategic Housing Implementation Plan which encourages diverse housing options for all income levels.
4. **Health, Safety and Welfare:** Staff has not found indication of likely adverse effects on the public health, safety, or welfare.
5. **Public Policy:** The request does not appear to conflict with any public policy objective.

Relevant Goals and Policies of the Comprehensive Plan may include:

- GCF Goal 5: Growth and city form support improved livability in existing and future neighborhoods.
  - GCF Policy 14: Establish appropriate buffers and transitions (land use, form, and/or landscaping) between residential neighborhoods and surrounding higher-density development.
  - Housing Goal 2: A variety of housing types (single-family detached, single-family attached, multifamily, as well as ownership and rental opportunities) is available at a variety of price and rent levels.
  - Housing Goal 3: Housing choices are available in walkable and bikeable neighborhoods located near transit, employment, retail, medical and recreational amenities.
6. **Size of Tract:** The 0.2826-acre site is of sufficient size to accommodate the proposed residential development.
  7. **Other Factors:** The subject property is located within the Lackland AFB Awareness Zone/Military Influence Area. In accordance with the signed Memorandum of Understanding,

JB SA was notified of the proposed request. The Military has indicated that there are no objections to this request.

The property is proposed for development of multifamily uses that shall not exceed 25 units per acre. At 0.2826 acres, there could potentially be development of 7 units. The applicant is requesting to build 7 units.