

*City of Jonesboro Planning Commission  
Staff Report – CU 17-06, 2307 Race Street  
300 S. Church Street/Municipal Center  
For Consideration by Planning Commission on May 23, 2017*

**REQUEST:** Applicant proposes a Conditional Use to allow for the modification of an existing billboard on the subject property. The property is zoned C-2.

**APPLICANT OWNER:** Vineyard Development Group P.O. Box 17250 JBR, AR 72403  
Woodfield Properties, LLC. 2307 Race Street, JBR, AR 72401

**LOCATION:** 2307 Race Street, Jonesboro, AR 72401

**SITE DESCRIPTION:** Tract Size: +/- .23 Acres  
Frontage: 65 feet along Race Street  
Topography: Flat.  
Existing Development: Commercial Building/Billboard

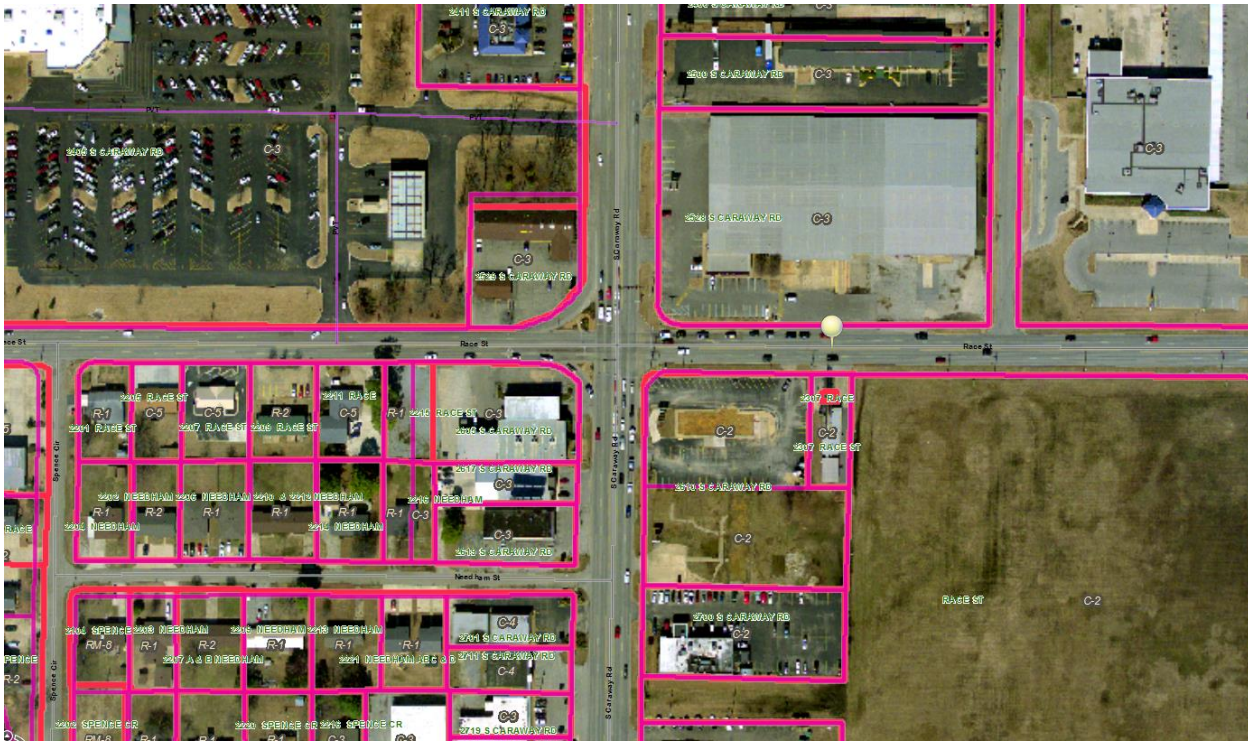
<b>SURROUNDING CONDITIONS:</b>	<u>ZONE</u>	<u>LAND USE</u>
North:	C-3	Commercial Business
South:	C-2	Commercial Business
East:	C-2	Commercial Business
West:	C-2	Commercial Business

**HISTORY:** The billboard has been on this lot since for a while.

**Zoning Code Analysis:**

In carrying out the purpose of this section, the following development standards and design specifics shall be subject to review and approval. The appropriateness of these standards shall be determined for each specific **conditional use** location.

- (1) The proposed use is within the provision of conditional uses as set out in this chapter.
- (2) The proposed use conforms to all applicable provisions herein set out for the district in which it is to be located.
- (3) The proposed use is so designated, located and proposed to be operated that the public health, safety and welfare will be protected.
- (4) The proposed land use is compatible with and will not adversely affect other property in the area where it is proposed to be located.
- (5) The size and shape of the site, including the size, shape and arrangement of proposed structures, as well as signage related thereto, is in keeping with the intent of this chapter.
- (6) The proposed ingress and egress, internal circulation system, location and amount of off-street parking, loading and pedestrian-ways are sufficiently adequate, and not inconsistent with requirements of this chapter.
- (7) The proposed landscaping and screening of the proposed use are in accordance with provisions of this chapter.
- (8) Safeguards proposed to limit noxious or offensive emissions, including lighting, noise, glare, dust and odor are addressed. (Zoning Ord., § 14.24.02)



**Aerial View/Zoning Map**

**Applicant’s Proposal:**

The applicant is the owner of the existing billboard on this site. Their plans include changing the sign to be a digital sign when read from the west (eastbound traffic), but to remain a static display when read from the east (westbound traffic).

**Conclusion:**

Staff finds that the requested Conditional Use: Case 17-06 will be a proper fit into the general project vicinity and will promote sound land use planning for the City of Jonesboro.

MAPC should consider the following conditions if the request is granted in full on the basis of the Conditional Use:

1. Signs shall utilize automatic dimming technology to adjust the brightness of the sign relative to ambient light so that at no time shall a sign exceed a brightness level of three tenths (0.3) foot candles above ambient light, as measured using a foot candle (Lux) meter.

All signs shall contain a default mechanism that will cause the sign to revert immediately to a black screen if the sign malfunctions.

No sign message shall be displayed for a period of time less than 8 seconds.

2. That upon issuance of the Zoning Permit Approval, all other building permit and other permits and licenses required locally and statewide be applied for and obtained by the applicant.

Respectfully Submitted for Commission Consideration,  
The Planning Department

**Sample Motion:**

I move that we place Case: CU 17-06 on the floor for consideration of recommended approval by the MAPC with the noted conditions, and we, the MAPC find that the holiday animation walk through will be compatible and suitable with the zoning, uses, and character of the surrounding area, subject to the Final Permit review and approval by the Planning, Engineering and Inspection Departments in the future.



North



East



South



West