

City of Jonesboro Metropolitan Area Planning Commission Staff Report – RZ 14-13: Red Wolf /Fairview Dr. Rezoning

Municipal Center - 300 S. Church St.

For Consideration by the Commission on August 26, 2014

REQUEST: To consider a rezoning of land containing 2.17 acres more or less.

PURPOSE: A request to consider recommendation to Council for a rezoning from "R-3" High

Density Multi-Family Residential & C-3 Commercial L.U.O." to a C-3 L.U.O.

General Commercial Limited Use Overlay District.

APPLICANTS/

OWNER: Haag Brown Development, LLC, 2900 Browns Lane, Jonesboro AR

On behalf of several owners (See Application): Bayird Properties, LLC, Randy Bowlin, HBL Development, LLC, Gary M. & Corral Meeker, Earnest & Odessa Alread, Robby Joe Cook, Phillip Manry, Debie Kysar, Louis Wilson & Terry Sue

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LOCATION: Lots 1-10 of Fairview Acres, Located at the intersection of Red Wolf Blvd.,

Fairview Dr., Brazos St., and Fair Cove.

2306, 2308, 2310, 2312 Red Wolf Blvd., 3000, 3006 Fairview Dr. and 2317, 2319,

2321 Fair Cove

SITE

DESCRIPTION: Tract Size: Approx. 2.17 Acres (94,716 sq.ft.)

Street Frontage (feet): 297 ft. along Red Wolf Blvd.

300 ft. along Fairview and Brazos

220 ft. along Fair Cove

Topography: Predominately Flat

Existing Development: Existing Single Family Homes (10)

SURROUNDINGZONELAND USECONDITIONS:North: C-3 ResidentialRetail, Residential

South: C-3 Commercial/R3 Multi-Fam. Single Family, Retail

East: R-3 Single Family Residences

West: C-3-Commercial Church, Retail, Restaurants

HISTORY: Property located at 2300 Stadium was rezoned to C-3 L.U.O. under Ordinance ORD-10:038 on May 4, 2010 and adopted by City Council; and, the property located at 3000 Fairview was rezoned to C-3 L.U.O. under Ordinance ORD-08:046 on July 1, 2008 by City Council.

ZONING ANALYSIS

City Planning Staff has reviewed the proposed Zone Change and offers the following findings:

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN FUTURE LAND USE MAP

The Current/Future Land Use Map recommends this location as a Planned Mixed Use Employment Area. The proposed rezoning is consistent and in compliance with the adopted Land Use Plan.

The Future Land Use Plan recognizes this general area as an area in transition and redevelopment along the Stadium/Red Wolf Corridor. The commercial mixed uses do not extend past Brazos St. in the East direction.





Vicinity/Zoning Map

Master Street Plan/Transportation

The subject property is served by Red Wolf Blvd. on the West and it fronts on City Streets to the South and East (i.e. Fairview Dr., Brazos, and Fair Cove). On the Red Wolf Blvd, the corridor is classified as a Principal Arterial on the Master Street Plan. A right of way of 120 ft. is required. A minimum of 60 ft. right of way is required on all local roads. Compliance with the master street is required for development of non-platted property.

Departmental/Agency Reviews:

The following departments and agencies were contacted for review and comments. Note that this table will be updated at the hearing due to reporting information that will be updated in the coming days.

Department/Agency	Reports/ Comments	Status		
Engineering	No issues reported to date.			
Streets/Sanitation	No issues reported to date.			
Police	No issues reported to date.			
Fire Department	No issues reported to date.			
MPO	No issues reported to date.			
Jets	No issues reported to date.			
Utility Companies	No issues reported to date.			

Approval Criteria- Chapter 117 - Amendments:The criteria for approval of a rezoning are set out below. Not all of the criteria must be given equal consideration by the MAPC or City Council in reaching a decision. The criteria to be considered shall include, but not be limited to the following:

Criteria	Explanations and Findings	Comply Y/N
(a) Consistency of the proposal with the Comprehensive Plan/Land Use Map	The proposed C-3 Limited Use Overlay District rezoning is consistent with the Future Land Use Plan. The site is ideal for redevelopment in the fashion that most of the sites in the general vicinity have been transitioned along Red Wolf/Stadium Blvd. near the old NEA Fairground site.	V
(b) Consistency of the proposal with the purpose of Chapter 117-Zoning.	The proposal is consistent with the purpose of Chapter 117, provisions for Limited Use Overlays.	V
(c) Compatibility of the proposal with the zoning, uses and character of the surrounding area.	The proposal is substantially compatible with the development trends in the area. Although some of the surrounding property is zoned for residential use, a transition of the zoning and land use is occurring. Care should be taken to protect remaining residential uses.	*
(d) Suitability of the subject property for the uses to which it has been restricted without the proposed zoning map amendment;	Poor suitability due to the current 5-lane corridor of Red Wolf, has restricted a residential character from remaining. Housing stock is aging as well. This land is ideal for commercial mixed with transitional and residential uses having an efficient access management design.	*
(e) Extent to which approval of the proposed rezoning will detrimentally affect nearby property including, but not limited to, any impact on property value, traffic, drainage, visual, odor, noise, light, vibration, hours of use/operation and any restriction to the normal and customary use of the affected property;	The bordering properties along Red Wolf are zoned C-3 and to the east primarily R-3 used as single family residential. Buffers should be maintained where most of the existing housing stock and residential properties exist.	*
(f) Length of time the subject property has remained vacant as zoned, as well as its zoning at the time of purchase by the applicant; and	Property is residentially used with the current R-3 zoning. A portion is stilled zoned as C-3 LUO but used as residential.	*
(g) Impact of the proposed development on community facilities and services, including those related to utilities, streets, drainage, parks, open space, fire, police, and emergency medical services	Minimal impact, however access management is very important.	*

Staff Findings:

Applicant's Purpose:

The applicant is seeking to rezoned approximately 2.17 acres for commercial purposes on the subject site. As noted in the Criteria For Rezoning Section above, consistency in the Future Land Use Plan as well as the general Zoning Regulations has been satisfied with the proposed change.

However staff cautions the MAPC to give care to the following.

<u>Fair Cove-</u> One half of street to remain Residential:

Coordination of site access and screening should be designed in such a way to minimally impact the residents to remain on said street. Coordinated access management design details shall be submitted by the applicant for MAPC review and approval for other abutting commercial/residential mixed-use properties in respect to protecting residential to remain.

<u>Site Landscaping/Buffering/Screening:</u> A detailed landscape, fencing and lighting plan shall be presented to the Planning Commission illustrating consideration and protection of abutting residential to remain.

Dimension Requirements Commercial and Industrial Districts							
Dimension	CR-1	C-4	C-3	C-2	C-1	<i>I-1</i>	I-1
Minimum lot size							
Single-family (sq. ft.)	6,500	NP	NP	6,000	NS	NP	NP
Duplex (sq. ft.)	7,200	NP	NP	7,200	NS	NP	NP
Multifamily (area/ family)	NP	NP	NP	3,600	NS	NP	NP
Nonresidential uses (sq. ft.)	6,500	6,500	6,500	6,500	NS	6,500	10,000
Minimum lot width (all uses)	50'	50'	50'	50'	25'	50'	100'
Minimum lot depth (all uses)	100'	100'	100'	100'	NS	100'	100'
Street setback							
Residential uses	25'	NP	NP	25'	NS	25'	NP
Nonresidential uses	25'	25'	25'	25'	NS	25'	100'
Interior side set- back							
Residential uses	7.5'	10'	NP	10'	NS	10'	NP
Nonresidential uses	10'	10'	10'	10'	NS	10'	25'
Rear setback							
Residential uses	20'	20'	NP	20'	NS	20'	NP
Nonresidential uses	20'	20'	20'	20'	NS	20'	25'
Maximum lot coverage (all uses)	50%	50%	60%	50%	100%	60%	60%
Percent of total lot area (building floor area)	20	20	NS	20	NS	NS	NS

Note.

NP = Not permitted.

NS = No standard.

The applicant has proposed a rezoning to C-3 L.U.O, and staff has listed the permitted uses to be allowed within the development as follows (*Note the highlighted uses in yellow are to be prohibited due to adverse impacts*):

List of Commercial Uses	C-3 General Commercial	Lis	st of Commercial Uses	C-3 General Commercial	
Civic and commercial uses		Ci	ivic and commercial uses		
Animal care, general	Permitted		Nursing home	Permitted	
Animal care, limited	Permitted		Office, general	Permitted	
Auditorium or stadium	Conditional		Parking lot, commercial	Permitted	
Automated teller machine	Permitted		Parks and recreation	Permitted	
Bank or financial institution	Permitted		Pawn shops	Permitted	
Bed and breakfast	Permitted		Post office	Permitted	
Carwash	Permitted		Recreation/entertainment, indoor	Permitted	
Cemetery	Permitted		Recreation/entertainment, outdoor	Permitted	
Church	Permitted		Recreational vehicle park	Permitted	
College or university	Permitted		Restaurant, fast-food	Permitted	
Communication tower	Conditional		Restaurant, general	Permitted	
			Retail/service	Permitted	
Convenience store	Permitted		Safety services	Permitted	
Day care, limited (family home)	Permitted		School, elementary, middle and high	Permitted	
Day care, general	Permitted		Service station	Permitted	
Entertainment, adult	Conditional		Sign, off-premises*	Permitted	
Funeral home	Permitted		Utility, major	Conditional	
Golf course	Permitted		Utility, minor	Permitted	
Government service	Permitted		Vehicle and equipment sales	Permitted	
Hospital	Permitted		Vehicle repair, general	Permitted	
Hotel or motel	Permitted		Vehicle repair, limited	Permitted	
Library	Permitted		Vocational school	Permitted	
Medical service/office	Permitted		Warehouse, residential (mini) storage	Conditional	
Museum	Permitted	Industrial, manufacturing and extractive uses			
Agricultural uses			Freight terminal	Conditional	
Agriculture, animal	Conditional		Research services	Conditional	
Agriculture, farmers market	Permitted				

Conclusion:

The Planning Department Staff finds that the requested Zone Change submitted for subject parcel, should be evaluated based on the above observations and criteria, of Case RZ 14-13, a request to rezone property from from "R-3" High Density Multi-Family Residential and C-3 L.U.O. to C-3 L.U.O. General Commercial, and should be recommended to Council for approval subject to the following conditions:

- 1. That the proposed development shall satisfy all requirements of the City Engineer and all requirements of the current Stormwater Drainage Design Manual.
- 2. A final site plan subject to all ordinance requirements shall be submitted, reviewed, and approved by the MAPC prior to any development/phase of the subject property.
- 3. A final site plan showing coordination is required of all right of ways and egress/ingress with the State Highway Dept., M.P.O., City Engineering Dept. and the Planning Dept. Coordinated access management design details shall be submitted by the applicant for MAPC review and approval for other abutting commercial/residential mixed-use properties in respect to protecting residential to remain.
- 4. Prohibited uses shall be: Billboards, Convenience Store, Car Wash, Pawn Shop, Vehicle Repair limited or general. Agriculture Farmers' Market, Adult Entertainment, and Service Station.
- 5. A landscape/buffer screen shall be implemented to protect any residential to abut any future commercial uses.

Respectfully Submitted for Commission Consideration,

Sample Motion:

I move that we place Case: RZ-14-13 on the floor for consideration of recommendation by MAPC to the City Council with the noted conditions, and we, the MAPC find that changing the zoning of this property from "R-3" High Density Multi-Family Residential and C-3 L.U.O. to C-3 L.U.O. General Commercial is compatible and suitable with the zoning, uses, and character of the surrounding area; subject to the noted conditions.

Site Photographs



View looking south toward subject property fronting Red Wolf Blvd. from the northwest corner of subject property.



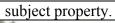
View looking north toward subject property fronting Red Wolf Blvd. from the southwest corner of subject property.



View looking northeast toward subject property fronting Fairview Drive from the southwest corner of subject property.



View looking west toward subject property fronting Fairview Drive from the southeast corner of





View looking northwest toward subject property fronting Fair Cove.



View looking north toward properties located on the east side of Fair Cove.



View looking west toward properties located on the south side of Fairview Drive.



View looking east toward properties located on the south side of Fairview Drive.



View looking southeast toward property located on the southeast corner of Red Wolf Blvd. and Fairview Drive.



View looking northeast toward property located at the northwest corner of the subject property