



City of Jonesboro Planning Commission Staff Report – CU 17-07, 3709 East Johnson Ave. 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-3.	
APPLICANT OWNER:	Vineyard Development Group P.O. Box 17250 JBR, AR 72403 Phillips Investments and Construction, Inc. P.O. Box 19298, JBR, AR 72403	
LOCATION:	3709 E Johnson Ave, Jonesboro, AR 72401	
SITE DESCRIPTION:	Tract Size: +/- 5.01 Acres Frontage: 780 feel along E Johnson Ave/ 335 feet along Airport Road Topography: Flat and Sloping Existing Development: Commercial Building/Billboard	
SURROUNDING CONDITIONS:	ZONE North: C-3 South: R-1 East: R-1 West: C-3	<u>LAND USE</u> Commercial Business Single Family Housing Single Family Housing 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. Their plans include revisions to the sign in order to make both faces digital displays, rather than static displays.

Conclusion:

Staff finds that the requested Conditional Use: Case 17-07 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 17-07 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.



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