AGENDA REPORT PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION MEETING September 22, 2016

SUMMARY

A request by D & M Leasing, LLC (owner) to rezone land from R-3 (Medium Density Multiple-Family Dwelling District) to C-1 (Intermediate Business District). The 0.3-acre subject site is located on the west side of College Avenue, approximately 250 feet south of Business Loop 70, and is addressed 1201 N College Avenue. (Case #16-182)

DISCUSSION

The applicant proposes to rezone the subject site from R-3 (Medium Density Multiple-Family Dwelling District) to C-1 (Intermediate Business District) to bring the existing non-conforming commercial business use into compliance with the zoning regulations. The site has been occupied by a purpose-built commercial structure and occupied by a commercial business since the early 1960s. The owner was recently made aware of the zoning discrepancy and is seeking to correct it in order to salvage a sale contract to a purchaser who would use the building for an electronic repair business (a permitted use in the C-1 district).

The proposed C-1 zoning designation is consistent with the buyer's intended use of the site and would provide a transitional use zone between the C-3 (General Business District) along the Business Loop 70 corridor to the north and mixture of R-3 and O-1 zoning along both sides of College Avenue to the south. While the abutting property to the south is zoned R-3 and occupied by a residential structure, staff has observed a long-term trend of upzoning in this area from predominantly R-3, established in 1935, to mostly O-1 along College Avenue between the subject site and Wilkes Boulevard. Rezoning requests to the west, east, and south of the site have included C-3, C-P, C-1 and O-1 to accommodate a wide range of uses including offices, commercial parking lots and community gardens.

Staff believes that the current request is appropriate given the surrounding character, land uses, and zoning.

RECOMMENDATION

Approval of the proposed rezoning from R-3 to C-1

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION

Locator aerial and topographic maps

SITE HISTORY

Annexation Date	1906	
Existing Zoning District(s)	R-3 (Medium Density Multiple-Family Dwelling District)	
Land Use Plan Designation	Neighborhood District	
Subdivision/Legal Lot Status	Legally platted as Lot 21, Block 2 of Tandy's Addition to the City of Columbia, Missouri	

SITE CHARACTERISTICS

Area (acres)	0.3 acre	
Topography	Gently sloping downward from south to north	
Vegetation/Landscaping	Mostly grass-covered with a few mature trees	
Watershed/Drainage	Bear Creek	
Existing structures	~1,600 square feet	

ACCESS

College Avenue	East side of site	
Major Roadway Plan	Major Arterial street (Improved & City-maintained)	
CIP Projects None		
Sidewalk/Bike/Ped Sidewalk in place		

PARKS & RECREATION

Neighborhood Parks	N/A
Trails Plan	N/A

SURROUNDING LAND USES

Orientation from site	Zoning	Land Use
North	C-3 (General Business District) Auto service; payday loans	
South	R-3 (Multi-Family Dwelling District)	Single-family home
East	R-3 Undeveloped	
West	C-P	Offices

UTILITIES & SERVICES

All City services are available to the site.

PUBLIC NOTIFICATION

All property owners within 200 feet and City-recognized neighborhood associations within 1,000 feet of the boundaries of the subject property were notified of a public information meeting, which was held on August 30, 2016.

Public Information Meeting Recap	Number of attendees: 3 Comments/concerns: Questions about long range land use plans for surrounding area
Neighborhood Association(s) Notified	Shoe Factory District
Correspondence Received	None as of this writing

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