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Camelback East Village Planning

Committee Hearing Date

Planning Commission Hearing Date October 14, 2014

Request From:R-5 (0.69 acres)Request To:C-1 (0.69 acres)Proposed UseBeauty School

Location Approximately 205 feet south of the

southwest corner of 36th Street and

Thomas Road

September 9, 2014

Owner Gerard Windstein
Applicant's Representative Carlos Dominquez

Staff Recommendation Approval, subject to stipulations

General Plan Conformity						
General Plan Land Use Designation		Residential 15+ du / acre				
Street Map Classification	36 th Street		Minor Collector	33 foot west half street		

CONSERVATION, REHABILITATION & REDEVELOPMENT, GOAL 4: ADAPTIVE REUSE OF OBSOLETE DEVELOPMENT: ENCOURAGE REUSE OF VACANT STRUCTURES AND SUBSTANTIAL REHABILITATION OF OBSOLETE BUILDINGS.

The rezoning will encourage the adaptive reuse of the vacant commercial building.

LAND USE ELEMENT, GOAL 1, POLICY 3: INCLUDE A VARIETY OF LAND USES: OFFICE, RETAIL SHOPPING, ENTERTAINMENT AND CULTURAL, HOUSING, HOTEL AND RESORT, AND WHERE APPROPRIATE, SOME TYPES OF INDUSTRY.

The proposed beauty school will provide a specialized land use that will add to the commercial diversity in the area.

Surrounding Land Uses/Zoning				
	Land Use	Zoning		
On Site	Vacant	R-5		
North	Bar	C-2		

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South	Office	R-5
East	Retail	C-2
West	Single Family Residential	R1-6

C-2 (Intermediate Commercial)					
<u>Standards</u>	Requirements	Proposed			
Building Setbacks					
Street	Average 25 feet (east)	Existing – 17 feet			
Interior	25 feet (west)	Existing – 63 feet			
	10 feet (south) 0 feet (north)	Existing – 67 feet Existing – 17 feet			
Landscape Setbacks					
Street (east)	Average 25 feet	Existing - 15 feet			
Side (west)	10 feet	10 feet			
Lot Coverage	Maximum 50%	Met – 13.01%			
Building Height	Maximum 30 feet	Existing – 15 feet			
Parking	Minimum 32 required	Met – 35 provided			

Background

- 1. This is a request to rezone 0.69 acres from R-5 (Multi-family Residential) to C-1 (Neighborhood Retail) to allow for a beauty school.
- 2. The site is currently developed with a vacant single story office building which was previously used as a contractors office. The rectangular building sits near the northeastern end of the site with a parking lot to the south and west.
- 3. The General Plan designation for the parcel is Residential 15+ du / acre. Although the proposal is not consistent with the General Plan designation, an amendment is not required as the subject parcel is less than 10 acres.
- 4. The majority of the property zoned R-5 in the immediate vicinity of the subject site is no longer used for a residential use. Converting the subject site to a neighborhood commercial use would further strengthen the buffer between the intermediate commercial uses along Thomas Road and the single family residential to the west and south. Furthermore the request is consistent with the adjacent land uses along 36th Street.
- 5. The adjacent land uses to the west of the subject site consist primarily of single family development. To help buffer these land uses from the proposed commercial business, the applicant has agreed to reconfigure the parking lot to allow for a 10 foot landscape setback along the western edge of the property. A stipulation has been added to

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address this provision.

- 6. The existing street side landscape setback does not meet the minimum 25 feet requirement. Because the building is existing, the City cannot require the full 25 feet, but the applicant has agreed to utilize the C-1 streetscape landscape standards for planting types and spacing for the existing landscaping area along the street. A stipulation has been added to address this requirement.
- 7. The City of Phoenix Floodplain Management division of the Street Transportation Department has determined that this parcel is not in a Special Flood Hazard Area (SFHA), but is located in a Shaded Zone X, on panel 2210 L of the Flood Insurance Rate Maps (FIRM) dated October 16, 2013.
- 8. Development and use of the site is subject to all applicable codes and ordinances. Zoning approval does not negate other ordinance requirements. Other formal actions such as, but not limited to, zoning adjustments and abandonment me be required.

Findings

- 1. The proposal provides improvement to the surrounding area with new landscaping, an upgraded parking lot and the improved appearance of the property.
- 2. The proposal would be appropriately buffered from the surrounding single family residential development.
- 3. The proposal is consistent with the surrounding commercial land uses.

Stipulations

- 1. The development shall be in general conformance with the site plan date stamped August 6, 2014, except as modified by the following stipulations and approved by the Planning and Development Department.
- 2. The property owner shall provide a 10-foot landscape setback along the west property line as approved by the Planning and Development Department.
- 3. The development shall utilize the C-1 streetscape landscape standards for planting types and equivalent groupings along 36th Street, as approved by the Planning and Development Department.
- 4. The property owner shall record a Notice to Prospective Purchasers of Proximity to Airport in order to disclose the existence, and operational characteristics of Phoenix Sky Harbor International Airport to future owners or tenants of the property.

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Attachments Sketch Map Aerial Site Plan (date stamped 8/6/14)



