City of Phoenix
PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

## Staff Report: Z-55-16-6

October 4, 2016

Camelback East Village Planning Committee Hearing Date
Planning Commission Hearing Date
Request From:
Request To:
Proposed Use
Location

Owner
Applicant
Representative
Staff Recommendation

October 18, 2016

November 3, 2016
R-4 (0.29 acres)
C-2 (0.29 acres)
Commercial
Approximately 255 feet east of the northeast corner of 7th Street and Maryland Avenue
WY Enterprises c/o David Yee
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Paul E. Gilbert, Beus Gilbert, PLLC
Approval, subject to stipulations

| General Plan Conformity |  |  |  |
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| General Plan Land Use Designation | Residential 3.5 to 5 du/acre |  |  |
| Street Map Classification | Maryland Avenue | Minor Collector | 33-foot north half street |
| CONNECT PEOPLE AND PLACES CORE VALUE; OPPORTUNITY SITES; LAND USE <br> PRINCIPLE: Support reasonable levels of increased intensity, respectful of local <br> conditions and surrounding neighborhoods. |  |  |  |
| The proposal will allow for the development of a commercial property. This development will <br> slightly increase the commercial intensity in the area, while staying compatible with the <br> surrounding residential land uses. |  |  |  |

STRENGTHENING OUR LOCAL ECONOMY, LOCAL AND SMALL BUSINESS ELEMENT GOAL, LAND USE PRINCIPLE: Facilitate adaptive reuse of older, underutilized properties to create mechanisms for new local and small businesses to operate, thrive and grow.

The proposed rezoning will utilize a vacant property and build new commercial space for the community.

| Surrounding Land Uses/Zoning |  |  |
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|  | Land Use | Zoning |
| On Site | Vacant | R-4 |
| North | Single-family residential | R1-6 |
| South | Offices | R-5 / C-2 |
| East | Single-family residential | R-4 |
| West | Vacant, Commercial Development | C-2 |


| C-2 (Intermediate Commercial District) |  |  |
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| Standards | Requirements | Proposed |
| Building Setbacks |  |  |
| Front | 25 feet | Met -87 feet |
| Side | 10 feet | Met -10 feet |
| Rear | 25 feet | Met -25 feet |
| Landscape Setbacks |  |  |
| Front | 25 feet | Met -25 feet |
| Side | 10 feet | Met -10 feet |
| Rear | 10 feet | Met -25 feet |
| Lot Coverage | Maximum $50 \%$ | Met $-24 \%$ |
| Building Height | Maximum 30 feet | Met -20 feet |
| Parking | Minimum 22 spaces required | Met -37 spaces proposed |

## Background/Issues/Analysis

1. This is a request to rezone a 0.29 acre parcel from R-4 (Multifamily Residence District) to C-2 (Intermediate Commercial District) to allow for a new commercial development.
2. The General Plan Land Use Map designation for this property is Residential 3.5 to 5 dwelling units per acre. Although the proposal is not consistent with this designation, an amendment is not required as the subject parcel is less than 10 acres.

3. The site is currently vacant and is zoned R-4 (Multifamily Residential District). Existing single-family residences, zoned R1-6 (Single-Family Residence District) and R-4 (Multifamily Residence District), are located to the north and east, respectively.
Professional offices, zoned R-5 (Multifamily Residential District) and C-2 (Intermediate Commercial District), are located to the south, across Maryland Avenue. An existing commercial development, zoned C-2 (Intermediate Commercial District), is located to the west of the subject site.


## SITE DESIGN / LAYOUT

4. The proposed site plan depicts two parcels that will be used in the development; however, the western parcel is not included in the rezoning request and will maintain C-2 zoning (Intermediate Commercial District). The eastern parcel depicted on the site plan is the subject site that is requesting rezoning from R-4 (Multifamily Residence District) to C-2 (Intermediate Commercial District).

The site plan shows a new 6,635 square foot commercial development with a building height of 20 feet. Vehicular access to the site is by a driveway off of Maryland Avenue and parking includes 37 spaces. The site plan includes a 25 foot landscape setback along the northern property line to buffer the single-family residential. A
 stipulation requiring general conformance to the site plan with specific regard to the landscape setbacks is included.
5. The subject site is located adjacent to single-family residences; therefore, staff has included a stipulation for minimum 2-inch caliper trees in the landscape setbacks along the northern and eastern property lines, that will serve as a buffer to the existing residences.
6. In addition to increased landscaping requirements, staff has included a stipulation for an 8-foot masonry wall to be constructed along the east property line to provide an additional buffer to the existing residences.
7. An existing commercial development is located to the west of the subject site and is one story in height. To provide a transition from the commercial development along 7th Street and the single-family residences on Maryland Avenue, staff has included a stipulation for a maximum building height of 20 feet on the subject site.

## DEPARTMENT COMMENTS

8. The Water Services Department has noted that there are no water or sewer infrastructure concerns with the proposed zoning.
9. 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 1740 L of the Flood Insurance Rate Maps (FIRM) dated October 16, 2013.
10. 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 is not consistent with the General Plan Land Use Map designation of Residential 3.5-5 du/acres; however, an amendment is not required as the subject parcel is less than 10 acres.
2. The proposed development is compatible with land use patterns in the surrounding area.
3. As stipulated, the proposal is appropriately buffered from the surrounding residential development.

## Stipulations

1. The development shall be in general conformance to the site plan date stamped August 22, 2016 with specific regard to the landscape setback along the northern and eastern property lines, as approved by the Planning and Development Department.

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2. The maximum building height shall be limited to 20 feet, as approved by the Planning and Development Department.
3. The developer shall provide minimum 2-inch caliper trees in the landscape setback along the northern and eastern property lines, as approved by the Planning and Development Department.
4. An 8-foot high masonry wall shall be constructed along the eastern property line, as approved by the Planning and Development Department.

## Writer

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October 4, 2016

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## Attachments

Sketch Map
Aerial
Site Plan date stamped 8/22/2016 (1 page)
Elevations date stamped 8/22/2016 (1 page)
Landscape Plan date stamped 8/22/2016 (1 page)






