

REQUEST

Rezoning Petition 2013-096

ZONING COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION January 6, 2014

Current Zoning: I-1, light industrial and I-1(CD), light industrial,

	conditional Proposed Zoning: I-1(CD), light industrial, conditional and I-1 (CD) SPA, light industrial, conditional, site plan amendment
LOCATION	Approximately 15.13 acres located on the west side of North Graham Street and Spratt Street between Music Factory Boulevard and Oliver Street. (Council District 2 - Austin)
SUMMARY OF PETITION	The petition proposes to accommodate an expansion of the Second Harvest Food Bank of Metrolina, resulting in a maximum of 207,000 square feet on the site. Permitted uses include office, warehouse and distribution uses, in addition to any related accessory uses permitted in the I-1 (light industrial) district.
PROPERTY OWNER PETITIONER AGENT/REPRESENTATIVE	City of Charlotte and Mecklenburg County Second Harvest Food Bank of Metrolina, Inc. c/o Kay Carter, Executive Director John Carmichael, Robinson Bradshaw & Hinson, P.A.
COMMUNITY MEETING STATEMENT OF CONSISTENCY	Meeting is required and has been held. Report available online. This petition is found to be consistent with the <i>Central District Plan</i> and to be reasonable and in the public interest, based on information from the staff analysis and the public hearing, by a 7-0 vote of the Zoning Committee (motion by Commissioner Eschert seconded by Commissioner Allen).
ZONING COMMITTEE	The Zoning Committee voted 7-0 to recommend APPROVAL of this

ACTION	petition.	
VOTE	Motion/Second:	Ryan/Allen
	Yeas:	Allen, Dodson, Eschert, Labovitz, Low, Ryan, and Walker
	Nays:	None
	Absent:	None
	Recused:	None
ZONING COMMITTEE DISCUSSION	Staff presented the petition to the Zoning Committee and noted that there were no outstanding issues and there was no further discussion of this petition.	

FINAL STAFF ANALYSIS (Pre-Hearing Analysis online at www.rezoning.org)

Staff agrees with the recommendation of the Zoning Committee.

PLANNING STAFF REVIEW

Background

STAFF OPINION

The subject site was previously rezoned in 1985 (rezoning petition 1985-079) to allow the construction of up to 148,000-square feet for office, warehouse, and distribution uses.

Proposed Request Details

- The site plan accompanying this petition contains the following provisions:
 - A maximum of 207,000 square feet for office, warehousing and distribution uses, and related accessory uses. Outdoor advertising signs or billboards are prohibited.
 - A maximum of 125,000 square feet may be located within Buildable Area "A" and 82,000 square feet may be located in Buildable Area "B".
 - Buildable Area "A" contains four areas of possible expansion for the existing buildings.

- Buildable Area "B" proposes no changes to the existing structure.
- Upon redevelopment of Buildable Area "B" allowed by the existing conditional site plan, a 20-foot Class B buffer will be required along the railroad right-of-way.
- All buildings limited to one story except for the one expansion area labeled two stories on Buildable Area "A".
- A 50-foot wide open space area along the frontage on Statesville Avenue, NC Music Factory Boulevard, and North Graham Street.
- Maintaining the required landscaping area for Buildable Area "B".

Public Plans and Policies

- The Central District Plan (1993) recommends institutional land uses for the subject parcel.
- This petition is consistent with the Central District Plan.

DEPARTMENT COMMENTS (see full department reports online)

- Charlotte Area Transit System: No comments received.
- Charlotte Department of Neighborhood & Business Services: No issues.
- Transportation: No issues.
- Charlotte Fire Department: No issues.
- Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools: No comments received.
- Charlotte-Mecklenburg Storm Water Services: No issues.
- Charlotte-Mecklenburg Utilities: No issues.
- Engineering and Property Management: No issues.
- Mecklenburg County Land Use and Environmental Services Agency: No issues.
- Mecklenburg County Parks and Recreation Department: No issues.
- Urban Forestry: No issues.

ENVIRONMENTALLY SENSITIVE SITE DESIGN (see full department reports online)

- **Site Design:** The following explains how the petition addresses the environmentally sensitive site design guidance in the *General Development Policies-Environment*.
 - This site meets minimum ordinance standards.

OUTSTANDING ISSUES

No issues.

Attachments Online at www.rezoning.org

- Application
- Pre-Hearing Staff Analysis
- Site Plan
- Community Meeting Report
- Charlotte Department of Neighborhood & Business Services Review
- Transportation Review
- Charlotte Fire Department Review
- Charlotte-Mecklenburg Storm Water Services Review
- Charlotte-Mecklenburg Utilities Review
- Engineering and Property Management Review
- Mecklenburg County Land Use and Environmental Services Agency Review
- Mecklenburg County Parks and Recreation Review
- Urban Forestry Review

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