REQUEST

Current Zoning: O-1(CD) (office, conditional)
Proposed Zoning: B-1 (neighborhood business)

LOCATION

Approximately 2.50 acres located on Mallard Oaks Drive, west of John Adams Road, and east of Interstate 85.
(Council District 4 - Phipps)

SUMMARY OF PETITION

The petition proposes to allow all uses permitted in the B-1 (neighborhood business) district.

PROPERTY OWNER

MPV Mallard Oaks LLC

PETITIONER

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints

AGENT/REPRESENTATIVE

Michael R. McLeod Architect P.A.

COMMUNITY MEETING

Meeting is not required.

STATEMENT OF CONSISTENCY

- The Zoning Committee found this petition to be consistent with the Northeast Area Plan, based on information from the staff analysis and the public hearing, and because:
  - The plan recommends retail and office uses.
  - Therefore, this petition was found to be reasonable and in the public interest, based on information from the staff analysis and the public hearing, and because:
    - The site is located between John Adams Road and I-85, with indirect access to an I-85 access ramp; and
    - The site is adjacent to large lot residential that is currently zoned R-3; however, those parcels and all surrounding parcels are recommended to be redeveloped for a mix of office, retail, and research uses over time. The proposed B-1 district is compatible with those future uses; and
    - The B-1 zoning district allows the types of neighborhood supportive retail and office that is consistent with the vision for a Neighborhood Center in this area; and
    - There are no critical infrastructure projects, connections, or unique conditions that would warrant a conditional rezoning for this site.

By a 6-0 vote of the Zoning Committee (motion by McMillan seconded by Nelson);

ZONING COMMITTEE ACTION

The Zoning Committee voted 6-0 to recommend APPROVAL of this petition.

VOTE

Motion/Second: Sullivan / Majeed
Yeas: Majeed, McClung, McMillan, Nelson, Spencer, Sullivan
Nays: None
Absent: Fryday
Recused: None

STAFF OPINION

Staff agrees with the recommendation of the Zoning Committee.
PLANNING STAFF REVIEW

- **Proposed Request Details**
  - This is a conventional rezoning petition, which applies all the standards, regulations and uses in the B-1 (neighborhood business) zoning district. A site plan is not required.
  - The B-1 (neighborhood business) district is to create and protect business centers for the retailing of merchandise such as groceries, pharmacies, and household items and the provision of professional services for the convenience of dwellers of nearby residential areas. Standards are designed so that uses within this district may be soundly and permanently developed and maintained in such a way as to be compatible with adjacent residential properties.
  - Uses permitted in the B-1 (neighborhood business) district by-right and under prescribed conditions include: barber and beauty shops, dry cleaning and laundry establishments, health institutions, indoor recreation, and offices up to 100,000 square feet.

- **Public Plans and Policies**
  - The *Northeast Area Plan* (2000) recommends office and retail uses for the area in which the site is located. Retail uses should not exceed 100,000 square feet.
  - The plan recommends a Neighborhood Center in this vicinity, generally constituting the retail uses noted above.

- **TRANSPORTATION CONSIDERATIONS**
  - The site is accessed from a private drive that connects to a local street.
  - **Vehicle Trip Generation:**
    - Current Zoning:
      - Existing Use: 0 trips per day (based on vacant land).
      - Entitlement: 920 trips per day (based on 113-room hotel use).
    - Proposed Zoning: 2,720 trips per day (based on 25,000-square foot retail use).

DEPARTMENT COMMENTS (see full department reports online)

- **Charlotte Area Transit System:** No issues.
- **Charlotte Department of Housing and Neighborhood Services:** No issues.
- **Charlotte Fire Department:** No issues.
- **Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools:** The development allowed under the existing zoning would generate zero students, while the development allowed under the proposed zoning will produce seven students. Therefore, the net change in the number of students generated from existing zoning to proposed zoning is seven students.
  - The proposed development is projected to increase the school utilization (without mobile classroom units) over current conditions as follows:
    - Stoney Creek Elementary from 119% to 120%;
    - James Martin Middle remains at 83%; and
    - Mallard Creek High remains at 123%.
- **Charlotte Water:** In relation to the parcel under review, Charlotte Water currently does not have water system availability via a water distribution main. The closest water distribution main is approximately 270 feet east of the property at the intersection of John Adams Road and Mallard Oaks Drive. Charlotte Water has sewer system availability for the rezoning boundary via an existing eight-inch gravity sewer main located along Mallard Oaks Drive.
- **Engineering and Property Management:**
  - **Arborist:** No trees can be removed or planted in the right-of-way of any state maintained street without permission of NC Department of Transportation and the City Arborist’s office. Trees must be planted to meet NCDOT planting guidelines.
  - **Erosion Control:** No issues.
  - **Land Development:** No issues.
  - **Storm Water Services:** No issues.
  - **Urban Forestry:** No issues.
- **Mecklenburg County Land Use and Environmental Services Agency:** No comments received.
- **Mecklenburg County Parks and Recreation Department:** No issues.
Attachments Online at [www.rezoning.org](http://www.rezoning.org)

- Application
- Pre-Hearing Staff Analysis
- Locator Map
- Department Comments
  - Charlotte Area Transit System Review
  - Charlotte Department of Housing and Neighborhood Services Review
  - Charlotte-Douglas International Airport Review
  - Charlotte Fire Department Review
  - Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools Review
  - Charlotte Water Review
  - Engineering and Property Management Review
    - City Arborist
    - Erosion Control
    - Land Development
    - Storm Water
    - Urban Forestry
  - Mecklenburg County Parks and Recreation Review
  - Transportation Review

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