

Charlotte Department of Transportation Memorandum

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To: Keith MacVean

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From: Scott L. Putnam

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Subject: Rezoning Petition 07-110: Located at the intersection of Gordon Street

and Pecan Avenue (revised 08/17/07)

We previously commented on this petition in our August 2, 2007 memorandum to you.

Consistency with Transportation Action Plan (TAP): The two goals of the TAP that most directly affected the staff's review of this petition define the integration of land use and transportation, and the provision of transportation choices.

- Goal 1 of the TAP relies on the Centers, Corridors and Wedges land use strategy to be implemented. This project site is located in a Corridor and appears to support the Centers, Corridors and Wedges land use strategy.
- Goal 2 of the TAP describes various connectivity and design features that are important for
 motorists, pedestrians and bicyclists. Specific comments are identified below that need to be
 addressed for CDOT's support of the petition and to bring the site plan into compliance with
 the TAP and best practices for multimodal transportation.

Vehicle Trip Generation

This site could generate approximately 500 trips per day as currently zoned. Under the proposed zoning the site could generate approximately 1,000 trips per day. This will have a minor impact on the surrounding thoroughfare system.

We have the following specific comments that are critical to CDOT's support of the rezoning petition:

1. The petitioner should provide 6' sidewalks and 8' planting strips on Pecan Avenue and Gordon Street consistent with TAP and best practices. We are in agreement with the sidewalk as shown on Pecan Avenue. The proposed addition/dining patio on Gordon Street should be modified to increase the width of the sidewalk from 4 feet to 6 feet, while maintaining the existing planting strip on the property side of Gordon Street. (*Previous Review Comment* – 2)

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- 2. The van accessible space shown on the adjacent parcel is not currently striped or signed for this purpose. This needs to be included in any parking lease and documentation provided to the City for verification of the leased spaces.
- 3. Ten of the parking spaces shown on the adjacent property are located within the public right-of-way and sidewalk areas. Pedestrians will need to walk in the street in order to travel along the sidewalk on both Pecan Avenue and Gordon Street. These spaces do not meet any standard and would not be approved through the building/driveway permit process. In order for these spaces to be considered as legally non-conforming parking spaces, an approved building/driveway permit site plan for the adjacent building must be provided showing the spaces approved at that time.

If we can be of further assistance, please advise.

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