


Charlotte Department of Transportation

Memorandum

Date: September 12, 2007

To: Keith MacVean
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From: 
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Subject: Rezoning Petition 07-136: Located between West 4th Street, West Martin Luther King Boulevard, South Graham Street and South Mint Street (revised 8/27/07)

We previously commented on this petition in our August 22, 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 Center 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.

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

1. 22-foot setbacks need to be provided along 4th Street, Mint Street, and Martin Luther King Boulevard and a 16-foot setback along Graham Street, consistent with the Center City Transportation Plan. We previously had indicated incorrectly that a 22-foot setback was also required along Graham Street.
2. The following notes regarding loading and maneuvering in the right-of-way or setback need to be added to the plan:
 - Trucks will be restricted from accessing this site during the following times:
 - When the Bank of America Stadium traffic management plan is in effect
 - When the Knights Ballpark traffic management plan is in effect

- During special events occurring in 3rd Ward Park (Westpark) that require street closure(s), at the discretion of CDOT
 - During special events occurring in Uptown that require street closure(s), at the discretion of CDOT (e.g., Speed Street)
 - Weekdays 6-9 AM
 - Weekdays 3-7 PM
- Trucks shall not dwell in the right-of-way of Martin Luther King Boulevard (MLK). They shall stop only as incidental to changing direction from forward to reverse or vice-versa.
- The operation of any driveway to MLK must not conflict with the operation of the driveway to the existing Duke Energy parking deck.

If we can be of further assistance, please advise.

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