

### Rezoning Petition 2010 - 018

PRE-HEARING STAFF ANALYSIS

February 15, 2010

| REQUEST  | Current Zoning: UMUD, uptown mixed use district<br>Proposed Zoning: UMUD-O, uptown mixed use district, optional  |
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| LOCATION   | Approximately 1.55 acres located along North College Street between East 6 <sup>th</sup> Street and East 7 <sup>th</sup> Street.                                 |
| CENTER, CORRIDOR<br>OR WEDGE                         | Center   |
| SUMMARY OF PETITION                                  | This petition proposes to provide additional signage options for identifying cultural facilities and exhibits related to the Spirit Square complex.              |
| STAFF<br>RECOMMENDATION                              | Staff recommends approval of this petition upon resolution of the outstanding issues. This petition is consistent with the <i>Center City 2010 Vision Plan</i> . |
| Property Owner<br>Petitioner<br>Agent/Representative | Mecklenburg County<br>Mecklenburg County<br>Jacqueline McNeil/Mecklenburg County   |
| Community Meeting                                    | Meeting is required and has been held. Report available online.  |

#### PLANNING STAFF REVIEW

# Proposed Request Details

The site plan accompanying this petition contains the following provisions:

- All of the development standards for the UMUD district will apply.
- Sign Options:
  - 1. A maximum of three banners per wall elevation in total.
  - 2. Banners not to exceed ten percent of the building wall with a maximum of 800 square feet per banner.
  - 3. Advertisement limited to ten percent of the banner total area or a maximum of 30 square feet, whichever is less.
  - 4. Up to five exterior bulletin boards for the sole purpose of posting notices of upcoming events.
  - 5. Up to 100 percent window coverage along the Seventh Street facade, which may be in the form of video and/or LED screens. For all other window signage, up to one-half (50 percent) of panes may be fully covered.
  - 6. Wall signage not to exceed 500 square feet per elevation, excluding bulletin boards.

# • Existing Zoning and Land Use

The subject property is occupied by the Spirit Square complex and is surrounded by properties zoned UMUD or UMUD-O.

• Rezoning History in Area

There have been no recent rezonings in the immediate area.

# • Public Plans and Policies

- The *Center City 2010 Vision Plan* (2000) envisions the Uptown as having a variety of living, entertainment, and cultural activities.
- This petition is consistent with the *Center City 2010 Vision Plan*.

PUBLIC INFRASTRUCTURE (see full department reports online)

- Vehicle Trip Generation: Not applicable.
- **CDOT:** No issues.
- Charlotte Fire Department: No issues.
- CATS: No issues.
- Connectivity: No issues.
- Neighborhood and Business Services: No issues.
- Schools: CMS does not comment on non-residential petitions.
- Park and Recreation: No comments received.
- CMUD: No issues.

**ENVIRONMENTALLY SENSITIVE SITE DESIGN** (see full department reports online)

- Storm Water: No issues.
- LUESA: No issues.
- **Site Design:** The following explains how the petition addresses the environmentally sensitive site design guidance in the *General Development Policies*.
  - The site meets minimum ordinance standards.

#### OUTSTANDING ISSUES

- Amend Note 1 to delete "multiple banners per establishment".
- Amend Note 4 to limit the maximum number of bulletin boards to those that currently exist or specify the square footage of each bulletin board and provide a maximum square footage allowed.
- Add note that video screens are permitted at a maximum size of 200 square feet per operating unit and limit to a maximum of one video screen per elevation.

#### Attachments Online at www.rezoning.org

- Application
- CATS Review
- CDOT Review
- Charlotte Fire Department Review
- CMUD Review
- Community Meeting Report
- LUESA Review
- Neighborhood and Business Services Review
- Site Plan
- Storm Water Review

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