Rezoning Petition 2017-082 Pre-Hearing Staff Analysis

June 19, 2017



REQUEST	Current Zoning: I-2 (general industrial) Proposed Zoning: TOD-M (transit oriented development – mixed-use)
LOCATION	Approximately 0.39 acres located along Griffith Street between New Bern Street and Fairwood Avenue and west of South Boulevard. (Council District 3 - Mayfield)
SUMMARY OF PETITION	The petition proposes to allow all transit supportive uses per conventional TOD-M (transit oriented development – mixed use) zoning for an existing warehouse building on a 0.39 acre site that is located within a quarter mile walk of the New Bern Transit Station on the LYNX Blue Line. Uses allowed in the TOD-M (transit oriented development – mixed use) district include office, residential, retail, and civic uses.
PROPERTY OWNER PETITIONER AGENT/REPRESENTATIVE	Berry B Bean Griffbrew Investments, LLC None
COMMUNITY MEETING	Meeting is not required.
STAFF	Staff recommends approval of this petition.
RECOMMENDATION	Plan Consistency The petition is consistent with the New Bern Transit Station Area Plan recommendation for mixed use transit supportive development.
	 Rationale for Recommendation The subject site is within a quarter mile walk of the New Bern Transit Station on the LYNX Blue Line. The proposal allows a site previously used for industrial/office to convert to transit supportive land uses. Use of conventional TOD-M (transit oriented development – mixed-use) zoning applies standards and regulations to create the desired form and intensity of transit supportive development, and a conditional rezoning is not necessary. TOD (transit oriented development) standards include requirements for appropriate streetscape treatment, building

PLANNING STAFF REVIEW

- Proposed Request Details
 - This is a conventional rezoning petition, which applies all the standards, regulations and uses in the TOD-M (transit oriented development mixed-use) zoning district. Uses allowed in the TOD-M district include office, residential, retail, and civic uses.
- Existing Zoning and Land Use
 - The subject property is currently developed with an industrial/office building and is zoned I-2 (general industrial).
 - The majority of the surrounding properties are zoned I-2 (general industrial) and TOD-M (transit oriented development mixed-use) and developed with office and industrial uses.
 - The property to the north is zoned TOD-MO (transit oriented development mixed-use, optional) and developed with an office building.
 - See "Rezoning Map" for existing zoning in the area.
- Rezoning History in Area
 - Since the construction of the LYNX Blue Line and the New Bern Street Light Rail Station, there
 have been a number of rezonings to conventional TOD-M (transit oriented development –
 mixed-use) and TOD-MO (transit oriented development- mixed-use, optional) in the area where
 this site is located. These rezonings have supported the transition of the area from a primarily
 industrial district to a walkable transit supportive district.

- Public Plans and Policies
 - The *New Bern Transit Station Area Plan* (2008) recommends transit supportive uses for the subject site.
- TRANSPORTATION CONSIDERATIONS
 - The site is located on a local street identified by the *New Bern Transit Station Area Plan* to have "Local Residential Wide" cross-section with on-street parking. Charlotte Department of Transportation is working with the petitioner to determine the future curbline during the permitting process. CDOT will seek to add a public pedestrian connection between the building and the rail trail to provide access for patrons.
 - Vehicle Trip Generation:
 - Current Zoning:
 - Existing Use: 30 trips per day (based on 7,520 square feet of warehouse uses).
 - Entitlement: 30 trips per day (based on 7,520 square feet of warehouse uses).
 - Proposed Zoning: Allows for a wide variety of uses.

DEPARTMENT COMMENTS (see full department reports online)

- Charlotte Area Transit System: No issues.
- Charlotte Department of Neighborhood & Business Services: No issues.
- **Charlotte Fire Department:** No on street parking along roads that are less than 26 feet clear width.
- **Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools:** The conventional district allows a variety of uses; therefore, the impact on local schools cannot be determined.
- **Charlotte Water:** The site has water system availability for the rezoning boundary via existing 12-inch and six-inch water mains located along Griffith Street and sewer via an existing eight-inch gravity sewer main located along Griffith Street.
- Engineering and Property Management:
 - Arborist: No issues.
 - Erosion Control: No issues.
 - Land Development: No issues.
 - Storm Water Services: No issues.
 - Urban Forestry: Site must comply with Tree Ordinance.
- Mecklenburg County Land Use and Environmental Services Agency: No issues.
- Mecklenburg County Parks and Recreation Department: No issues.

Attachments Online at <u>www.rezoning.org</u>

- Application
- Locator Map
- Department Comments
 - Charlotte Area Transit System Review
 - Charlotte Department of Neighborhood & Business Services Review
 - Charlotte Fire Department Review
 - Charlotte Water Review
 - Engineering and Property Management Review
 - City Arborist Review
 - Erosion Control
 - Land Development
 - Storm Water
 - Urban Forestry
 - Mecklenburg County Land Use and Environmental Services Agency Review
 - Mecklenburg County Parks and Recreation Review
 - Transportation Review

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