

KNOXVILLE/KNOX COUNTY METROPOLITAN PLANNING COMMISSION USE ON REVIEW REPORT

► FILE #: 8-L-14-UR	AGENDA ITEM #: 49			
	AGENDA DATE: 8/14/2014			
APPLICANT:	OLD CITY PROPERTIES, LLC			
OWNER(S):	Old City Properties, LLC			
TAX ID NUMBER:	94 E J 009			
JURISDICTION:	City Council District 6			
STREET ADDRESS:	516 W Jackson Ave			
► LOCATION:	South side of W Jackson Ave. between Gay St. and Broadway.			
APPX. SIZE OF TRACT:	3337 square feet			
SECTOR PLAN:	Central City			
GROWTH POLICY PLAN:	Urban Growth Area (Inside City Limits)			
ACCESSIBILITY:	Access is via W. Jackson Ave., a local street with a 34' pavement width within a 50' right-of-way.			
UTILITIES:	Water Source: Knoxville Utilities Board			
	Sewer Source: Knoxville Utilities Board			
WATERSHED:	Second Creek			
ZONING:	C-2 (Central Business District) / D-1 (Downtown Design Overlay)			
EXISTING LAND USE:	Business/residence			
PROPOSED USE:	Craft Distillery			
HISTORY OF ZONING:	Property rezoned to C-2 (Central Business District) on April 2, 2002 and the D-1 (Downtown Design Overlay) was approved on March 27, 2007.			
SURROUNDING LAND USE AND ZONING:	North: Vacant land / I-3 (General Industrial)) / D-1 (Downton Design Overlay) and C-2 (Central Business District) / D-1 (Downtown Design Overlay)			
	South: Residences and vacant land / O-2 (Civic and Institutional) / D-1 (Downtown Design Overlay) and C-2 (Central Business District) / D- 1 (Downtown Design Overlay)			
	East: Business / C-2 (Central Business District) / D-1 (Downtown Design Overlay)			
	West: Vacant land / I-3 (General Industrial)) / D-1 (Downton Design Overlay)			
NEIGHBORHOOD CONTEXT	The proposed site is located in an area of transition along W. Jackson Ave. that will be redeveloped primarily under C-2 (Central Business District) / D-1 (Downtown Design Overlay). The area on the north side of W. Jackson Ave. was the former site of the McClung warehouses.			

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

APPROVE the development plan for a craft distillery within the C-2 (Central Business District) subject to 3 conditions

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- 1. Meeting all applicable requirements of the D-1 (Downtown Design Overlay) District.
- 2. Meeting all applicable requirements of the Knoxville Zoning Ordinance.
- 3. Meeting all applicable requirements of the Knoxville Department of Engineering.

With the conditions noted, the development plan meets the requirements for approval in the C-2 District and the other criteria for approval of a use on review.

COMMENTS:

The applicant is proposing to convert an existing building located on the south side of W. Jackson Ave. between S. Broadway and S. Gay St. into use as a craft distillery. The C-2 (Central Business District) allows consideration of a craft distillery as a use permitted on review.

The existing building of approximately 2207 square feet will include an area for the production of liquors and spirits, and a small retail area. On-site parking is not being provided nor is it required within the C-2 zoning district. A City of Knoxville parking lot is located on the north side of the street approximately 500' to the east.

A Certificate of Appropriateness is required from the Knoxville Downtown Design Review Board for any proposed exterior building alterations and any proposed signage.

EFFECT OF THE PROPOSAL ON THE SUBJECT PROPERTY, SURROUNDING PROPERTIES AND THE COMMUNITY AS A WHOLE

1. The proposed use will have minimal impact on local services since all utilities are in place to serve this development.

2. The addition of this new business will help in the redevelopment of this section of W. Jackson Ave that has undergone setbacks with the recent fires and loss of the McClung warehouses.

CONFORMITY OF THE PROPOSAL TO CRITERIA ESTABLISHED BY THE KNOXVILLE ZONING ORDINANCE

1. The proposed craft distillery meets the standards for development within the C-2 (Central Business District) and all other relevant requirements of the Zoning Ordinance.

2. The proposed craft distillery is consistent with the general standards for uses permitted on review: The proposed development is consistent with the adopted plans and policies of the General Plan and Sector Plan. The use is in harmony with the general purpose and intent of the Zoning Ordinance. The use is compatible with the character of the neighborhood where it is proposed. The use will not significantly injure the value of adjacent property. The use will not draw additional traffic through residential areas.

CONFORMITY OF THE PROPOSAL TO ADOPTED MPC PLANS

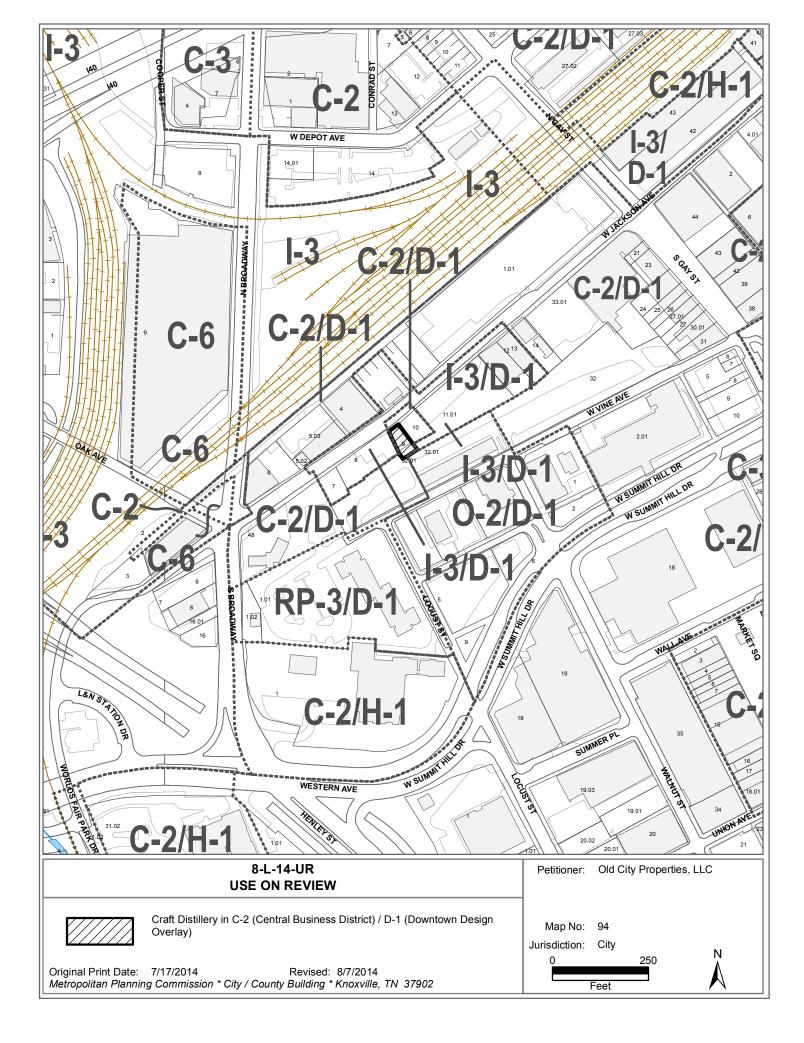
1. The Central City Sector Plan and Knoxville One Year Plan propose Mixed Uses for the area which are consistent with the proposed use.

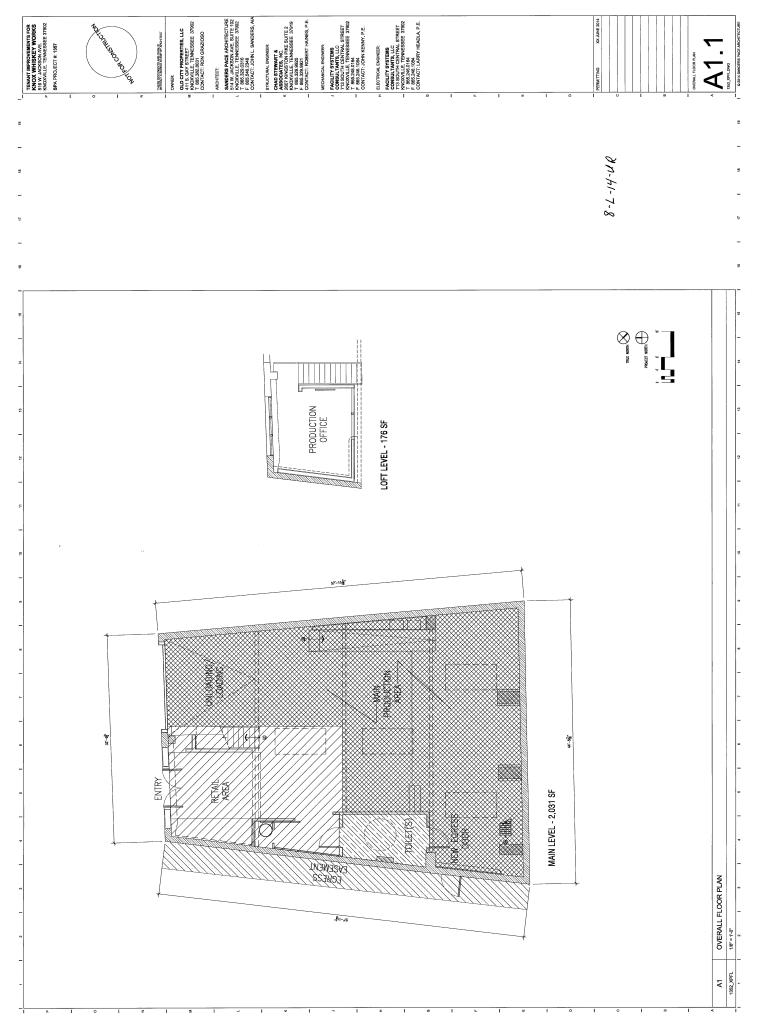
2. The site is located within the Urban Growth Area on the Knoxville-Knox County-Farragut Growth Policy Plan map.

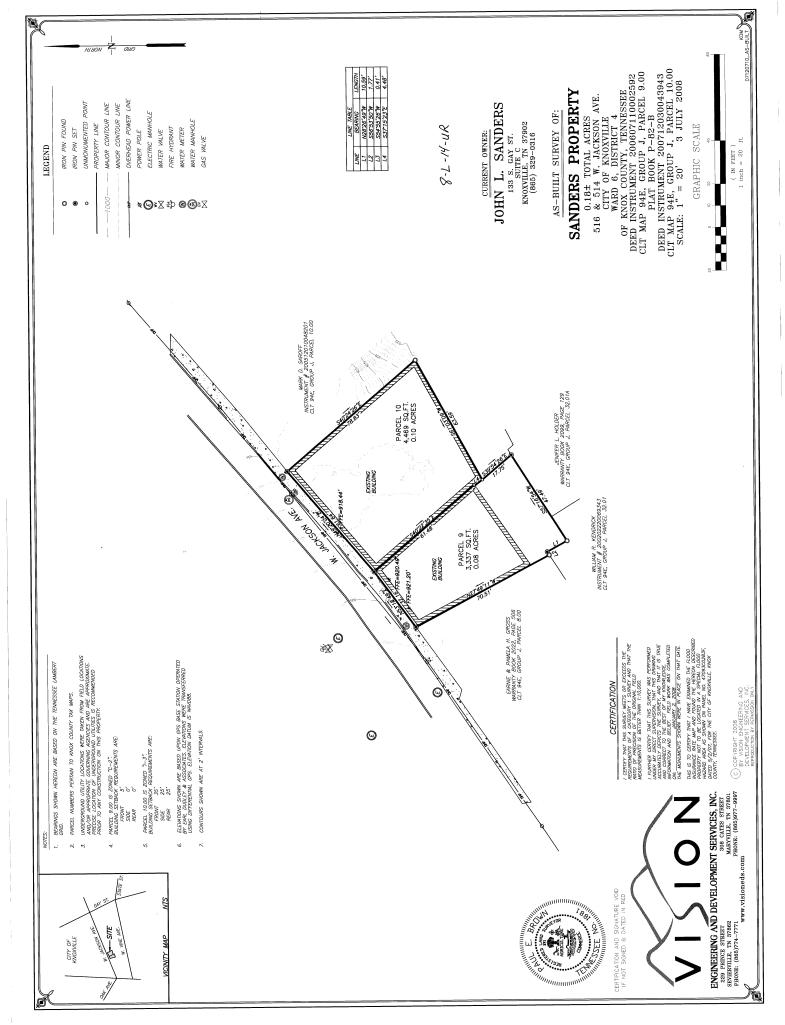
ESTIMATED TRAFFIC IMPACT: Not required.

ESTIMATED STUDENT YIELD: Not applicable.

MPC's approval or denial of this request is final, unless the action is appealed to the Knoxville City Council. The date of the Knoxville City Council hearing will depend on when the appeal application is filed. Appellants have 15 days to appeal an MPC decision in the City.







MPC August 14, 2014

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