

KNOXVILLE/KNOX COUNTY METROPOLITAN PLANNING COMMISSION REZONING REPORT

FILE #: 11-G-15-RZ	AGENDA ITEM #: 35				
	AGENDA DATE: 11/12/2015				
APPLICANT:	LONGBOAT LAND COMPANY, LLC				
OWNER(S):	James T. Harris Properties				
TAX ID NUMBER:	131 K A 03101 View map on KGIS				
JURISDICTION:	City Council District 2				
STREET ADDRESS:	10461 Parkside Dr				
► LOCATION:	North side Parkside Dr., east of Wakefield Rd.				
APPX. SIZE OF TRACT:	2.04 acres				
SECTOR PLAN:	Southwest County				
GROWTH POLICY PLAN:	Urban Growth Area (Inside City Limits)				
ACCESSIBILITY:	Access is via Parkside Dr., a 4-lane, median-divided, major arterial street within 110' of right-of-way.				
UTILITIES:	Water Source: Knoxville Utilities Board				
	Sewer Source: Knoxville Utilities Board				
WATERSHED:	Turkey Creek				
PRESENT ZONING:	C-3 (General Commercial)				
ZONING REQUESTED:	C-6 (General Commercial Park)				
EXISTING LAND USE:	Retail furniture store				
PROPOSED USE:	Self-storage facility				
EXTENSION OF ZONE:	Yes, extension of C-6 zoning from the west				
HISTORY OF ZONING:	None noted				
SURROUNDING LAND USE AND ZONING:	North: I-40/75 right-of-way - PC-2 (Retail & Distrubution Park)				
	South: Parkside Dr., Parking lot - C-4 (Highway & Arterial Commercial)				
	East: Toyota of Knoxville - C-4 (Highway & Arterial Commercial)				
	West: Detention pond - C-6 (General Commercial Park)				
NEIGHBORHOOD CONTEXT:	This section of Parkside Dr. is developed with primarily commercial uses under C-3, C-4 and C-6 zoning.				

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

RECOMMEND that City Council APPROVE C-6 (General Commercial Park) zoning.

The requested C-6 zoning is consistent with both the One Year Plan and sector plan proposals for the property and is an extension of commercial zoning from the west. C-6 zoning will allow office and commercial uses on the site, in addition to some light industrial uses. C-6 uses will be compatible with the surrounding land uses and zoning pattern. C-6 zoning also requires administrative plan review and approval by MPC staff prior to issuance of building permits for any new construction.

COMMENTS:

REZONING REQUIREMENTS FROM ZONING ORDINANCES (must meet all of these):

THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT SHALL BE NECESSARY BECAUSE OF SUBSTANTIALLY CHANGED OR

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CHANGING CONDITIONS IN THE AREA AND DISTRICTS AFFECTED, OR IN THE CITY/COUNTY GENERALLY:

1. C-6 zoning is consistent with both the sector plan and One Year Plan designations for the property.

2. C-6 uses will be compatible with the surrounding land uses and zoning pattern.

3. C-6 zoning is appropriate for this site, which is adjacent to other commercial uses and zoning, and has access to a major arterial street.

THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT SHALL BE CONSISTENT WITH THE INTENT AND PURPOSE OF THE APPLICABLE ZONING ORDINANCE:

1. The requested C-6 zoning is intended to encourage the clustering of commercial activities within areas specifically designed to accommodate the activities and to discourage the proliferation of commercial uses along major thoroughfares and noncommercial areas. The following 6 concepts are emphasized in the zoning ordinance: 1) To encourage the clustering of commercial activities within areas specifically designed to accommodate the activities and to discourage the proliferation of commercial uses along major thoroughfares and noncommercial areas. The following 6 concepts are emphasized in the zoning ordinance: 1) To encourage the clustering of commercial activities within areas specifically designed to accommodate the activities and to discourage the proliferation of commercial uses along major thoroughfares and noncommercial areas, 2) To provide for the orderly development of commercial activities so that any adverse impact on surrounding uses and on the general flow of traffic can be ameliorated, 3) To encourage an orderly and systematic development design providing the rational placement of activities, parking and auto circulation, pedestrian circulation, access and egress, loading and landscaping, 4) To encourage commercial development which is consistent with the long range, comprehensive, general plan for Knoxville and Knox County, 5) To allow for mixing of light industrial (manufacturing) uses with compatible commercial uses as stated within the C-6 zoning district, and 6) To encourage general commercial activities to locate in areas that have access to a major street system.

2. Based on the above description, C-6 is an appropriate zone for this site. C-6 zoning will allow office and commercial uses on the site, in addition to some light industrial uses. C-6 zoning also requires administrative plan review and approval by MPC staff prior to issuance of building permits.

THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT SHALL NOT ADVERSELY AFFECT ANY OTHER PART OF THE COUNTY, NOR SHALL ANY DIRECT OR INDIRECT ADVERSE EFFECTS RESULT FROM SUCH AMENDMENT: 1. C-6 zoning is compatible with surrounding development and should have a minimal impact on adjacent properties.

2. The impact on the street system will depend on the type of development proposed. There is a large twostory building located on the subject property, which used to house a Knoxville Wholesale Furniture showroom. The applicant is proposing to locate self-storage units on the site, which are a permitted use in the proposed C-6 zoning district.

3. C-6 zoning requires administrative plan review and approval by MPC staff prior to issuance of building permits for new construction, building expansion or major site improvements.

4. Public water and sewer utilities are available to serve the site.

THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT SHALL BE CONSISTENT WITH AND NOT IN CONFLICT WITH THE GENERAL PLAN OF KNOXVILLE AND KNOX COUNTY, INCLUDING ANY OF ITS ELEMENTS, MAJOR ROAD PLAN, LAND USE PLAN, COMMUNITY FACILITIES PLAN, AND OTHERS:

1. The Southwest County Sector Plan proposes C (Commercial) uses for this site, consistent with the proposed C-6 zoning.

2. The City of Knoxville One Year Plan proposes GC (General Commercial) uses for this site, consistent with the proposed C-6 zoning district.

3. The site is located within the City Limits of Knoxville on the Knoxville-Knox County-Farragut Growth Policy Plan map.

4. This proposal does not present any apparent conflicts with any other adopted plans.

ESTIMATED TRAFFIC IMPACT: Not required.

ESTIMATED STUDENT YIELD: Not applicable.

If approved, this item will be forwarded to Knoxville City Council for action on 12/8/2015 and 1/5/2016. If denied, MPC's action is final, unless the action to deny is appealed to Knoxville City Council. The date of the appeal hearing will depend on when the appeal application is filed. Appellants have 15 days to appeal an MPC decision in the City.

