ZONING CHANGE REVIEW SHEET

CASE: C14-2013-0094
4505 N. IH 35 Rezoning

ADDRESS: 4505 N. IH 35 Service Road NB

OWNER: Saeed Moshfegh


FROM: SF-3-NP

NEIGHBORHOOD PLAN AREA: Upper Boggy

WATERSHED: Boggy Creek

TO: LO-NP

TIA: N/A

SCENIC ROADWAY: No

CAPITOL VIEW CORRIDOR: No

DESIRED DEVELOPMENT ZONE: Yes

SUMMARY STAFF RECOMMENDATION:
Staff recommendation is to approve Limited office-conditional overlay-neighborhood plan (LO-CO-NP) combining district zoning. The Applicant has agreed to a conditional overlay that would require an 8-foot solid fence along the rear property line adjacent to residential properties. The Applicant also supports staff’s recommendation that development be limited through a conditional overlay to less than 2,000 vehicle trips per day.

PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION:
October 22, 2013: RECOMMEND APPROVAL OF LO-CO-NP AS RECOMMENDED BY STAFF, WITH THE ADDITION OF THE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS (BASED ON NEIGHBORHOOD REQUEST): THE FOLLOWING LAND USES SHALL BE PROHIBITED: COMMERCIAL OFF-STREET PARKING, MEDICAL OFFICES (EXCEEDING 5,000 SQUARE FEET), PERSONAL SERVICES, COMMUNITY GARDEN, URBAN FARM, CLUB OR LODGE, COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY FACILITY, COMMUNICATION SERVICE FACILITIES, COMMUNITY RECREATION (PUBLIC), COMMUNITY RECREATION (PRIVATE), CONGREGATE LIVING, DAY CARE SERVICES (COMMERCIAL), GROUP HOME, CLASS 1 (GENERAL), GROUP HOME, CLASS 2, LOCAL UTILITY SERVICES, PRIVATE PRIMARY EDUCATIONAL FACILITIES, PRIVATE SECONDARY EDUCATIONAL FACILITIES, PUBLIC PRIMARY EDUCATIONAL FACILITIES, PUBLIC SECONDARY EDUCATIONAL FACILITIES, RESIDENTIAL TREATMENT, AND SAFETY SERVICES, (5-0) [J. Stevens- 1st, R. Hatfield- 2nd, D. Anderson, J.Nortey, R. Hernandez- Absent.]

DEPARTMENT COMMENTS:
The subject property is located on the east side of IH 35, on the northbound frontage road slightly north of the intersection with Airport Boulevard. Fernwood Road is located two lots to the south, and Bentwood Road is located two lots to the north. The property is currently zoned SF-3-NP and occupied by a single family house. To the south is a vacant property and an undeveloped lot zoned LO-NP. To the
north is a lot zoned LO-NP developed with professional offices. The next lot to the north is zoned SF-3-NP and is developed with single family, but takes access to Bentwood Road, not IH 35. To the east of the property is a residential neighborhood zoned SF-3-NP. Please refer to Exhibits A and B (Zoning Map and Aerial View).

The Applicant has requested the LO-NP rezoning in order to allow Daycare land use. Delwood 2 Neighborhood Association has submitted a letter supporting the change to LO-NP, but has requested that several land uses be excluded from the property, including Daycare. Staff does not support the proposed restrictions on land uses. The neighborhood also requested an 8-foot fence along the rear property line. Staff and the Applicant agree with this recommendation (Exhibit C – Correspondence).

**EXISTING ZONING AND LAND USES:**

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<td>South</td>
<td>LO-NP</td>
<td>Single family residence (vacant), Undeveloped</td>
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<td>East</td>
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<td>West</td>
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<td>IH 35—Across highway- Convenience storage, Construction sales &amp; services, Medical office</td>
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**RELATED CASE NUMBERS:**

This area was zoned in 2002 as part of the Upper Boggy Neighborhood Plan process, with associated zoning case C14-02-0057. There have been no recent zoning cases in the vicinity of the subject property.

**ABUTTING STREETS:**

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**NEIGHBORHOOD ORGANIZATIONS:**

Del Valle Community Coalition  
Signature Neighborhood Association  
North Austin Neighborhood Alliance  
Mueller Property Owners Association  
Wilshire Wood-Delwood 1 Neighborhood Association  
Central Austin Community Development Corporation  
Upper Boggy Creek Neighborhood Planning Team  
Central Austin Neighborhood Plan Area Committee  
North Loop Neighborhood Planning Team  

PODER  
Ridgetop Neighborhood Association  
Hancock Neighborhood Association  
Delwood 2 Neighborhood Association  
Sustainable Neighborhoods

**SCHOOLS:**

Maplewood Elementary School  
Kealing Middle School  
McCallum High School

**CITY COUNCIL DATE:** November 21, 2013  
**ACTION:**
ORDINANCE READINGS: 1st  2nd  3rd

ORDINANCE NUMBER:

CASE MANAGER:  Heather Chaffin  PHONE: 974-2122

e-mail: heather.chaffin@austintexas.gov
SUMMARY STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends Limited office-conditional overlay-neighborhood plan (LO-CO-NP) combining district zoning. The Applicant has agreed to a conditional overlay that would require an 8-foot solid fence along the rear property line adjacent to residential properties. The Applicant also supports staff’s recommendation that development be limited through a conditional overlay to less than 2,000 vehicle trips per day.

The property is located on the IH 35 frontage road with no connection to the residential neighborhood to the east. Any commercial zoning category will be required to comply with compatibility standards adjacent to the nearby residences, and LO is one of the least intensive commercial categories suitable along a highway corridor.

BASIS FOR LAND USE RECOMMENDATION (ZONING PRINCIPLES)

1. Zoning should promote compatibility with adjacent and nearby uses and should not result in detrimental impacts to the neighborhood character.

LO is one of the least intensive commercial categories suitable along a highway corridor, and is an appropriate buffer between the highway and the residential neighborhood to the east. Additionally, the property will be required to comply with compatibility standards adjacent to the nearby residences.

2. Zoning should allow for a reasonable use of a property.

The property is currently zoned SF-3-NP, which is inappropriate for its location on the frontage of an interstate highway. The only other SF-3-NP property on this block takes access to Bentwood Road only and has what appears to be a sound barrier along the IH 35 property line. Since the subject property only has access to the IH 35 frontage road, commercial zoning is more appropriate.

Site Plan:

SP 1. This tract does not currently have a site plan in review with the City of Austin.

SP 2. Site plans will be required for any new development other than single-family or duplex residential.

SP 3. Any development which occurs in an SF-6 or less restrictive zoning district which is located 540-feet or less from property in an SF-5 or more restrictive zoning district will be subject to compatibility development regulations.

SP 4. Compatibility Standards: the site is subject to compatibility standards. Along the southern and eastern property lines, the following standards apply:

- No structure may be built within 20 feet of the property line.
- No structure in excess of two stories or 30 feet in height may be constructed within 50 feet of the property line.
- No structure in excess of three stories or 40 feet in height may be constructed within 100 feet of the property line.
- An intensive recreational use, including a swimming pool, tennis court, ball court, or playground, may not be constructed 50 feet or less from adjoining SF-3 property.
- A landscape area at least 15 feet in width is required along the property line if tract is zoned MF-3, MF-4, MF-5, MH, NO, or LO.

SP 5. Additional design regulations will be enforced at the time a site plan is submitted.
Transportation:

TR1. No additional right-of-way is needed at this time. For information: the Texas Department of Transportation has indicated a long-term need for up to 400 feet of right-of-way for IH 35. [AMATP]

TR2. A traffic impact analysis was not required for this case because the traffic generated by the proposed zoning does not exceed the threshold of 2,000 vehicle trips per day. [LDC, 25-6-113]

TR3. There are existing sidewalks along the IH 35 northbound service road.

TR4. According to the Austin 2009 Bicycle Plan Update approved by Austin City Council in June, 2009, bicycle facilities are recommended along the adjoining streets as follows: IH 35 serves route no. 42 with an existing Shared Lane and recommended Wide Curb.


Environmental:

1. The site is not located over the Edwards Aquifer Recharge Zone. The site is located in the Boggy Creek Watershed of the Colorado River Basin, which is classified as an Urban Watershed by Chapter 25-8 of the City's Land Development Code. It is in the Desired Development Zone.

2. Impervious cover is not limited in this watershed class; therefore the zoning district impervious cover limits will apply.

3. This site is required to provide on-site structural water quality controls (or payment in lieu of) for all development and/or redevelopment when 5,000 s.f. cumulative is exceeded, and detention for the two-year storm. At this time, no information has been provided as to whether this property has any pre-existing approvals which would preempt current water quality or Code requirements.

4. According to floodplain maps there is no flood plain within the project area.

5. Trees will likely be impacted with a proposed development associated with this rezoning case. Please be aware that an approved rezoning status does not eliminate a proposed development’s requirements to meet the intent of the tree ordinances. If further explanation or specificity is needed, please contact the City Arborist at 974-1876. At this time, site specific information is unavailable regarding other vegetation, areas of steep slope, or other environmental features such as bluffs, springs, canyon rimrock, caves, sinkholes, and wetlands.

6. Standard landscaping and tree protection will be required in accordance with LDC 25-2 and 25-8 for all development and/or redevelopment.

Water/Wastewater:

FYI: The landowner intends to serve the site with City of Austin water and wastewater utilities. The landowner, at own expense, will be responsible for providing any water and wastewater utility improvements, offsite main extensions, utility relocations and or abandonments required by the proposed land use. Depending on the development plans submitted, water and or wastewater service extension requests may be required. Water and wastewater utility plans must be reviewed and approved by the Austin Water Utility for compliance with City criteria. All water and wastewater construction must be inspected by the City of Austin. The landowner must pay the City inspection fee with the utility construction. The landowner must pay the tap and impact fee once the landowner makes an application for a City of Austin water and wastewater utility tap permit.