## ZONING CHANGE REVIEW SHEET

CASE: C14-2010-0010 Storage Depot
ADDRESS: 5810 N. MoPac S. B.
APPLICANT: Austin Storage, Inc. (James Lederer)
NEIGHBORHOOD PLAN AREA: N/A
T.I.A.: No

WATERSHEDS: Shoal Creek
Z. P. C. DATE: 04-06-2010

AREA: 1.75 acres
AGENT: Austin Storage, Inc. (James Lederer) CAPITOL VIEW: No

HILL COUNTRY ROADWAY: No
DESIRED DEVELOPMENT ZONE: Yes

ZONING FROM: CS-CO, General Commercial Services, Conditional Overlay
ZONING TO: CS-CO, General Commercial Services, Conditional Overlay

## SUMMARY STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends approval of CS-CO, General Commercial Services Conditional Overlay zoning. The current Conditional Overlay limits the Floor-to-Area-Ratio (FAR) to one-to-one ( 1 to 1 ). The new Conditional Overlay would change the Floor-to-Area-Ratio (FAR) to one-point-one-to-one ( 1.1 to 1 ). All other conditions imposed on the property with case number C14-04-0089 will remain and are explained in the Department Comments.

## ZONING AND PLATTING COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION:

The motion to approve staff's recommendation for CS-CO zoning and all other permitted LO uses, with only convenience storage as the only permitted CS use; was approved by Commissioner Patricia Seeger's motion, Commissioner Cynthia Banks second the motion on a vote of 7-0.

## DEPARTMENT COMMENTS:

The applicant originally requested General Commercial Services (CS) zoning with case number C14-040089. The request for CS zoning was for the construction of mini-warehouses. The applicant agreed to limit the intensity of the development by the following:

1. Having Convenience Storage as the only CS use. (see attached prohibited use list)
2. Maximum height of forty feet ( $40^{\prime}$ ). (CS allows for a maximum height of sixty feet ( $60^{\prime}$ ).
3. Maximum impervious cover of $70 \%$. (CS allows for a maximum of $95 \%$ impervious cover).
4. Maximum Floor-to-Area-Ratio of one-to-one (1 to 1) (CS allows for a maximum FAR of 2 to 1 ).

The zone change request was approved by the City Council on August $6^{\text {th }}, 2004$. (see attached ordinance) The applicant was granted a site plan permit by case number SP-04-1099C on April $5^{\text {th }}$, 2004. (see attached site plan) The site plan called for the construction of a three story climate controlled miniwarehouse building that occupies the land to this day. Under the terms of the above mentioned zoning ordinance, the applicant would be allowed approximately 76,230 square feet of FAR. The site plan called for approximately 68,445 square feet of FAR. This left the site with a surplus FAR of 7,785 square feet.

The applicant has indicated that he would like to add an additional 15,000 square feet of building space to the existing structure. In order to achieve the desired 15,000 square foot addition, he needs an additional point one (.1) FAR which would give the site an additional 7,785 square feet of FAR for a total of 15,408 including the suplus. All of the site development standards and restrictions from the previous zone change request will apply to this zone change request too. In addition, there is a Restrictive Covenant attached to the property that dates to the 1980's. The neighborhood has indicated that they do not oppose the requested change to the Conditional Overlay.

## EXISTING ZONING AND LAND USES:

|  | ZONING | LAND USES |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Site | CS-CO | Mini-warehouses |
| North | LO | Office |
| South | GR-CO | Bank |
| East | N/A | MoPac Expressway |
| West | LO | Office |

## CASE HISTORIES:

| NUMBER | REQUEST | COMMISSION | CITY COUNCIL |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| C14-99-0081 | From LO to <br> GO-CO | Approved staff's recommendation <br> for GO-CO. (7-2) | Approved staff's recommendation for <br> GO-CO. (7-0) All 3 readings. |
| C14-03-0120 | From LO-CO <br> to GOR-CO | Approved LR-MU-CO. (9-0) | Approved staff's recommendation for <br> GO-CO. (7-0) All 3 readings. |

## BASIS FOR RECOMMENDATION:

The proposed zoning should be consistent with the purpose statement of the district sought.
CS - General Commercial Services is intended predominantly for commercial and industrial activities of a service nature having operating characteristics or traffic service requirements generally incompatible with residential environments. The proposed change to the Conditional Overlay meets the purpose statement set forth in the Land Development Code. It is located in an area primarily used for offices and retail. It is also accessible from Balcones Drive and has access to Mopac Expressway by way of the frontage road.

## NEIGHBORHOOD ORGANIZATION:

- Allandale Neighborhood Association
- Northwest Austin Civic Association
- North Austin Neighborhood Alliance
- Austin Neighborhoods Council


## SCHOOLS:

- Doss Elementary School
- Murchison Middle School
- Anderson High School


## SITE PLAN:

1. Site plans will be required for any new development other than single-family or duplex residential.
2. 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.
3. This site is in the Scenic Roadway sign district. All signs must comply with Scenic Roadway sign district regulations.

## ENVIRONMENTAL:

1. The site is not located over the Edwards Aquifer Recharge Zone. The site is located in the Shoal 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 flood plain maps, there is no flood plain within the project area.
5. Numerous 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.

TRANSPORTATION:

| Name | ROW | Pavement | Classification | Sidewalks | Bike Plan | Bus Routes |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Mopac | $400^{\prime}$ | Varies | Expressway | No | None Exist/ <br> Recommended | 19 Bull <br> Creek |
| Balcones <br> Dr | $80^{\prime}$ | $40^{\prime}$ | Collector | No | Nhared Ln Exist/Bike Ln <br> Recommended | 339 Walnut <br> Creek |

No additional right-of-way is needed at this time.
A traffic impact analysis was waived for this case because the applicant agreed to limit the intensity and uses for this development. If the zoning is granted, development should be limited through a conditional overlay to less than 2,000 vehicle trips per day. [LDC, 25-6-117]

CITY COUNCIL DATE: May 13th, 2010
May $27^{\text {th }}, 2010$

ORDINANCE READINGS: 1ST 2ND 3RD ORDINANCE NUMBER:

CASE MANAGER:Clark Patterson Clark.patterson@ci.austin.tx.us PHONE: 974-7691



## PROHIBITED USE LIST

Agricultural sales and services
Construction sales and services
Equipment repair services
Monument retail sales
Commercial off street parking
Communication services
Hotel-motel
Indoor sports and recreation
Outdoor entertainment
Research assembly services
Research testing services
Hospital services (general)
Lodging house residential
Automotive washing (of any type)
Drive through as an accessory use

Campground
Drop-off-recycling
Kennels
Vehicle storage
Exterminating services
Funeral services
Indoor entertainment
Off-site accessory parking
Pawn shop services
Research services
Research warehousing services
Residential treatment
Automotive rentals
Congregate living

AN ORDINANCE REZONING AND CHANGING THE ZONING MAP FOR THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 5811 BALCONES DRIVE FROM COMMUNITY COMMERCIAL-CONDITIONAL OVERLAY (GR-CO) COMBINING DISTRICT TO GENERAL COMMERCIAL SERVICES-CONDITIONAL OVERLAY (CS-CO) COMBINING DISTRICT.

## BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN:

PART 1. The zoning map established by Section 25-2-191 of the City Code is amended to change the base district from community commercial-conditional overlay (GR-CO) combining district to general commercial services-conditional overlay (CS-CO) combining district on the property described in Zoning Case No. C14-04-0089, on file at the Neighborhood Planning and Zoning Department, as follows:

Lot 2, Mopac-Balcones Addition, a subdivision in the City of Austin, Travis County, Texas, according to the map or plat of record in Plat Book 92, Pages 208209, of the Plat Records of Travis County, Texas, (the "Property")
locally known as 5811 Balcones Drive, in the City of Austin, Travis County, Texas, and generally identified in the map attached as Exhibit " $A$ ".

PART 2. The Property within the boundaries of the conditional overlay combining district established by this ordinance is subject to the following conditions:

1. A site plan or building permit for the Property may not be approved, released, or issued, if the completed development or uses of the Property, considered cumulatively with all existing or previously authorized development and uses, generate traffic that exceeds 2,000 trips per day.
2. The following site development regulations apply to the Property:
a) The maximum height of a building or structure is 40 feet from ground level.
b) The maximum impervious cover is 70 percent.
c) The floor-to-area ratio (FAR) is 1.0 to 1.0 .
3. The following uses are prohibited uses of the Property:

Agricultural sales and services
Construction sales and services
Equipment repair services
Monument retail sales
Bed and breakfast residential (Group 1)
Commercial off-street parking
Funeral services
Indoor entertainment
Off-site accessory parking
Pawn shop services
Research services
Research warehousing
Hospital services (general)
Exterminating services
Automotive washing (of any type)

Campground
Drop-off recycling collection facility
Kennels
Vehicle storage
Bed and breakfast residential (Group 2)
Communications services
Hotel-motel
Indoor sports and recreation
Outdoor entertainment
Research assembly services
Research testing services
Restaurant (limited)
Residential treatment
Automotive rentals
Congregate living
4. Drive-in service is prohibited as an accessory use to commercial uses.

Except as specifically restricted under this ordinance, the Property may be developed and used in accordance with the regulations established for the general commercial services (CS) base district and other applicable requirements of the City Code.

PART 3. This ordinance takes effect on September 6, 2004.

## PASSED AND APPROVED

August 26 , 2004

APPROVED:
 City Attorney


ATTEST:




modified covenants, conditions and reatrictions, which shall be deprod mad constideced to be oovenanti ruming vith the land, and visch shall be binding on the undecsigned ovner; its uncessors and assigns, as follows, to-wlt:

1. Bo construction reguiring a biliding perinit from the City of Austin chall be alloved on the property unless and until aite plan in approved by the dustin City Council. Thereafter; development of the property erall be in aecordance wth such approved site plan.
2. No reflective oxterior buililing wall, reflective roofing or seflective windov glass shall be used in any building or etructure on the property.
3. No illuminated signg shall be permitted on the property.
4. Imperviout covering on the property shall not exceed 704 of the total area of the property. Impervious cover shall include roads, parking areas, pavement, buildings and other iuperweable construction covering the natural land eurface.
5. As to the south 1,050 feet of property, as measured along Halcones Drive, there skall be no more than three driveway openings. The primary opening shall not exceed 50 feet in vidich and the other two opanings shail not exceed 30 feet in vidth, such opening widths to be masured at the right-of-way line along Balconge Drive. Fest efforte shall be used to locate such driverray openings at exinting openings in the tree line. If suci drivevay ofeninge are not so-located, then sufficient treen mut be planted at eristing openings in the treo line mas to create add maintain a continuous tree line along Balconeg orive exaept at permitted deivevay openinge.
6. Ar to the south 1.050 feat of the property, as meagured along balconow Drive, a 25 foot vide atrip of the property along and adjagent to Balcomen Drive ahail be used



PO BOX 26654, Austin, TX 78755

April 1, 2010
Dear Mr. Patterson,

## RE: Zoning Case C14-2010-0010 (ZAP Agenda/April 6, 2010, Item \#12)

I'm writing on behalf of the Northwest Austin Civic Association regarding their position on the rezoning of 5811 Balcones Drive to change the Conditional Overlay to allow a FAR of 1.1 to 1 .

The Neighborhood Association Board voted to recommend the increase on a split vote provided the applicant preserve all the remaining trees on the site and that the site plan be approved by the City Council.

Our decision was based on what we believed the membership's concerns would be. Our criteria included the traffic impact on Balcones, the scale of the proposed development and preservation of the trees, which have served as a buffer from a use more intense than GR.

The original recommendation, which we did not oppose, minimized traffic and increased the scale minimally. The applicant, who applied as a representative of Compass Bank at the time, got an additional 10 feet in height and an increase in the FAR from .29 to 1.0 . We got comfort from his declared intention to follow the Restrictive Covenant, which was in place when Compass Bank was built.

However, several of our board members are concerned about adding an additional $23 \%$ in square footage to the property and felt this was not in keeping with the scale which the GR was developed to the South. When the applicant met with the Zoning Committee, he indicated he could not save the trees on the property without an increase in the FAR. While the Committee was skeptical of his claim that he could develop 7,785 square feet now without violating the restrictive covenant, the heritage tree ordinance and other site plan requirements, the solution seemed to be to require that all the existing trees be preserved, which would thus limit the proposed $23 \%$ increase in square footage and preserve the buffer the trees provided.

The Association also believes that the site plan should be approved by the City Council, as per the restrictive covenant, since the applicant indicated he wanted an additional 21,200 square feet and did not indicate that a restrictive covenant existed on the property when he applied for the rezoning. (See attached application pages.)

Since our support is conditional, I ask that you provide a copy of this letter to the Commissioners and Council and reflect our support thusly.

Please don't hesitate to contact me if you have any questions at 905-2992.


Ann Denkler
Zoning Committee Chair
CC: NWACA Board/Zoning Committee

## APPLICANT MUST FILL IN WORKSHEET PRIOR TO SUBMITTING FOR TIA DETERMINATION

PROJECT NAME:

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LOCATION: $58 / 0 \wedge 1 \times 204016$
APPLFANT: JA, $C=S E D E R E Q$ $\qquad$ TELEPHONE NO: $512-809-0883$
 $\qquad$ ZONING: $\qquad$ SITE PLAN: APPLICATION STATUS: DEVELOPMENT ASSESSMENT: $\qquad$

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## ABUTTING ROADWAYS

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- A traffic impact analysis is required. The consultant preparing the study must meet with a transportation planner to discuss the scope and requirements of the study before beginning the study.
- A traffic impact analysis is NOT required. The traffic generated by the proposal does not exceed the thresholds established in the Land Development Code.
- The traffic impact analysis has been waived for the following reason:
-- A neighborhood traffic analysis will be performed by the City for this project. The applicant may have to collect existing traffic counts. Speratransportation plainer for information.


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NOTE: A TIA determination must be made prior to submittal of any zoning of site plan application, therefore, this completed and reviewed form MUST ACCOMPANY any subsequent application for the IDENTICAL project. CHANGES to the proposed project will REQUIRE a new TIA determination to be made.

## APPLICATION FOR ZONING

PROJECT INFORMATION:


## OTHER PROJECT DATA




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## RELATED CASES



## PROPERTY DESCRIPTION

(For the portion affected by this application) Provide either subdivision reference OR metes \& bounds description.
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2. METES AND BOUNDS (Attach two copies of certified field notes.)








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