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PLANNING COMMISSION SITE PLAN COMPATIBILITY WAIVER REQUEST REVIEW SHEET

CASE: SP-2015-0130D PLANNING COMMISSION DATE: December 8, 2015

PROJECT NAME: Austin Chinese Church North Parking Lot

ADDRESS OF SITE: 11133 ½ Wandering Way, Austin, TX 78753

APPLICANT: Austin Chinese Church (Ka Leung Lee), 512-342-3303

AGENT: Chan & Partners Engineering (Alexis Woffenden), 512-450-8155

AREA: 10.02 acres

COUNCIL DISTRICT: 1

WATERSHED: Walnut Creek (Suburban)

WATERSHED ORDINANCE: Comprehensive Watershed Ordinance

C.I.P. STATUS: N/A

T.I.A.: N/A

CAPITOL VIEW: N/A

PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT:

The applicant is proposing to construct an additional parking lot and make driveway connections within the existing church complex. The church currently takes access from E Braker Lane, Dessau Road, and Wandering Way.

EXISTING ZONING:

The site is zoned LO-CO-NP. The site plan complies with the zoning ordinance.

DESCRIPTION OF WAIVER:

Waiver request is as follows: LDC Section 25-2-1067(G):

Unless a parking area or driveway is on a site that is less than 125 feet wide, a parking area or driveway may not be constructed 25 feet or less from a lot that is:

- (1) in an SF-5 or more restrictive zoning district; or
- (2) on which a use permitted in an SF-5 or more restrictive zoning district is located.

The applicant requests a waiver from a 25-foot to 5-foot compatibility setback for twenty three (23) parking spaces and a portion of a driveway. The parking spaces and driveway are proposed to be screened with landscaping. The site is adjacent to a public primary educational facility to the west.

SUMMARY STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends approval of the waiver from LDC Section 25-2-1063 to reduce the compatibility setback requirement from 25 feet to 5 feet from the adjacent Public Primary Educational Facility use (Graham Elementary) to the west. On the school property side, the proposed parking lot is adjacent to a detention pond and water quality facility, and is not adjacent to any school buildings or recreational facilities. No buildings are proposed within the required setback. The parking and driveway will be screened with landscaping.

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PROJECT INFORMATION: 10.02 acres (436,471 sq. ft.)

EXISTING ZONING: LO-CO-NP

MAX. BLDG. COVERAGE: 50% PROP. BLDG. COVERAGE: 43,094 sq ft (10%) PROP. IMPERVIOUS COVER: 216,698 sq.ft (50%)

ALLOWED F.A.R.: 0.7:1 **PROPOSED F.A.R.:** 0.12:1

HEIGHT: 40' or 3 stories **PROP. HEIGHT:** Max height less than 40 ft.

REQUIRED PARKING: 125 PROVIDED PARKING: 350

PROPOSED ACCESS: Driveway access to E Braker Lane, Dessau Road, and Wandering Way

SUMMARY COMMENTS ON SITE PLAN:

The applicant is requesting a waiver from compatibility standards to reduce the setback from a Primary Educational Facility use, from 25 feet to 5 feet, in order to construct twenty three (23) parking spaces and part of a driveway as an accessory to a Religious Assembly use. The parking spaces and driveway will be screened with landscaping, and is directly adjacent to a detention pond and water quality facility on the school side. The site plan will comply with all applicable regulations upon site plan approval.

Environmental:

The site is located with the Walnut Creek watershed, which is classified as a Suburban Watershed. There are no critical environmental features.

Transportation:

Access to the proposed parking lot is taken from E Braker Lane, Dessau Road, and Wandering Way. The proposed development did not require a Traffic Impact Analysis.

PLANNING COMMISSION ACTION:

This administrative site plan will comply with all applicable requirements of the Land Development Code prior to its release. Staff recommends approval of the waiver.

SURROUNDING CONDITIONS:

Zoning (Land Use)

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North: E. Braker Lane, then NO (Office), SF-2 (Commercial), and LR-CO (Commercial)

South: Wandering Way, then GO-NP (Retirement Housing)

East: Dessau Road, then SF-3 (Duplexes)

West: SF-2-NP (Public Primary Education Facility – Graham Elementary)

STREET:	R.O.W.	SURFACING	CLASSIFICATION
E Braker Lane	90'	75'	Major Arterial
Dessau Road	125'	110'	Major Arterial
Wandering Way	65'	55'	Local Street

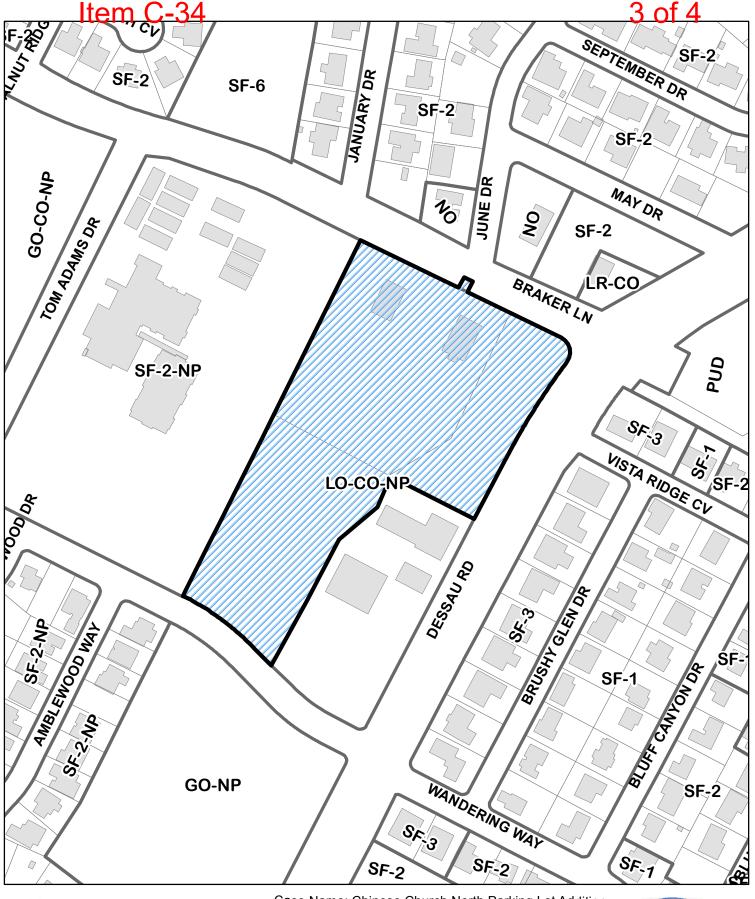
NEIGHBORHOOD ORGANIZATIONS:

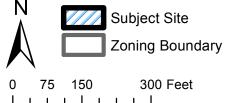
Heritage Hills/Windsor Hills Combined
Neighborhood Contact Team
Austin Heritage Tree Foundation
Austin Neighborhoods Council
North Growth Corridor Alliance
Collinwood West Homeowners Association
Northeast Walnut Creek Neighborhood Assn.
The Real Estate Council Of Austin, Inc.
Harris Branch Master Association, Inc.
Friends of the Emma Barrientos MACC

Sierra Club, Austin Regional Group Austin Independent School District

Association

Pioneer Crossing West Homeowners





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Case Manager: Scott Grantham

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