

ZONING CHANGE REVIEW SHEET

CASE: C14-2019-0142 - AISD-Loyola Lane Tract

P.C. DATE: January 14, 2020

ADDRESS: 6412 Ed Bluestein Boulevard

AREA: 30.456 acres

DISTRICT AREA: 1

OWNER/APPLICANT: Blusky Interests, Ltd. (John McCormack)

AGENT: Metcalfe, Wolff, Stuart & Williams, LLP (Amanda Brown)

ZONING FROM: GR-MU-CO-NP

TO: GR-MU-CO-NP, to change a condition of zoning

SUMMARY STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Staff supports the Applicant's request for zoning from GR-MU-CO-NP to GR-MU-CO-NP, to change a condition of zoning. *For a summary of the basis of staff's recommendation, see case manager comments on page 2.*

PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION:

January 14, 2020:

CITY COUNCIL ACTION:

January 23, 2020:

ORDINANCE NUMBER:

CASE MANAGER: Heather Chaffin
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ISSUES:

No issues at this time. The rezoning request is to remove Service station and Automotive car wash (of any type from the list of prohibited land uses. No other changes are proposed.

This case was previously listed on the December 10, 2019 Planning Commission agenda and the Commission voted to approve the request on consent. There was a notification error, however, and the case was required to be renotified for the January 14, 2020 agenda.

CASE MANAGER COMMENTS:

The subject property is located on the southwest corner of Loyola Lane and Ed Bluestein Boulevard Southbound. The property is comprised of 3 undeveloped lots zoned GR-MU-CO-NP. Immediately to the west is undeveloped property zoned SF-3-NP that recently has been platted as a single family residential neighborhood (City File # C8-2018-0025.1A). Immediately south of the subject property is undeveloped land zoned GR-MU-NP. North of the property, across Loyola Lane, is property zoned GR-NP that is developed with a convenience store with gas station and a fast-food restaurant. East of the property, across Ed Bluestein Boulevard, are properties zoned LO-NP, CS-MU-CO, GR-MU and P. These properties are all undeveloped except for one church on the south side of Loyola Lane. (*Please see Exhibits A and B- Zoning Map and Aerial Exhibit*).

The property was zoned from SF-3 and LI to GR-MU-CO-NP as part of the University Hills neighborhood planning process (City File # C14-2007-0006.01). The following land uses were prohibited via a conditional overlay: Automotive rentals, Automotive repair services, Automotive sales, Automotive washing (of any type), Bail bond services, Commercial off-street parking, Drop-off recycling collection facility, Exterminating services, Pawn shop services, Research services, Service station, Custom manufacturing, Residential treatment, and Telecommunication tower. As stated in the Issues section, the rezoning request is to remove Service station and Automotive car wash (of any type from the list of prohibited land uses. No other changes are proposed.

Staff supports the zoning request. The property has frontage on a major arterial and interstate highway which are well suited for the requested land uses. Additionally, the requested uses reflect the type of uses across Loyola Lane to the north (convenience store/service station and fast-food restaurant).

BASIS OF RECOMMENDATION:

1. *Granting of the request should result in an equal treatment of similarly situated properties.*
The requested uses are permitted on the properties to the north and south. Permitting those uses on this site would consistent with neighboring properties.
2. *Zoning should promote the policy of locating retail and more intensive zoning near the intersections of arterial roadways or at the intersections of arterials and major collectors.*
The intersection of a major arterial and interstate highway are appropriate for these land uses.

EXISTING ZONING AND LAND USES:

	ZONING	LAND USES
<i>Site</i>	GR-MU-CO-NP	Undeveloped
<i>North</i>	GR-NP, GR-MU-CO-NP	Food sales, Service station, Restaurant (limited), Multifamily residential
<i>South</i>	GR-MU-NP	Undeveloped

<i>East</i>	LI-NP, CS-MU-CO, P	Undeveloped, Religious assembly
<i>West</i>	SF-3-NP	Undeveloped (platted single family residential)

WATERSHED: Little Walnut Creek

TIA: N/A

NEIGHBORHOOD ORGANIZATIONS:

Homeless Neighborhood Association	Austin Neighborhoods Council
Neighborhood Empowerment Foundation	Friends of Austin Neighborhoods
North Growth Corridor Alliance	Harris Branch Master Association, Inc.
Windsor Hills Neighborhood Association	AISD
Bike Austin	Sierra Club
SELTexas	
Heritage Hills/ Windsor Hills Neighborhood Plan Contact Team	

EXISTING STREET CHARACTERISTICS:

Name	ROW	Pavement	Classification	Sidewalks	Bicycle Route	Capital Metro (within ¼ mile)
Loyola Lane	100'	65'	ASMP Level 3	No	Yes	No
US Hwy 183	270'	Varies	ASMP Level 5	No	Yes	No

OTHER STAFF COMMENTS

Comprehensive Planning

Connectivity- Public sidewalks are located intermittently along this portion of Loyola Lane. There is a public sidewalk located along the western side of US Highway 183 and a crosswalk with a lighted signal at the intersection. There are public transit stops located approximately one-half mile from the subject property.

University Hills/Windsor Park Neighborhood Plan (UHWHNP)- The Future Land Use Map designates this portion of Loyola Lane as Mixed Use; Zone GR-MU is permitted under this land use category. Mixed Use is defined as an area that is intended for a mix of residential and non-residential uses, including office, retail and commercial services. The following text, policies and design guidelines are excerpted from the UHWHNP and are applicable to this case:s: (pgs. 11 and 40)

- Attract needed vendors and service providers into the planning area through support for local businesses and revitalization/redevelopment of neighborhood shopping areas.
- Improve the aesthetic look of the planning area with the use of landscaping, reduction of billboards, and quality design of business structures and surroundings.
- Create an inventory and directory of all existing area businesses located in the area.
- Define desirable uses for specific areas within UHWP: quality retail, coffee shops, cafes, more restaurants, a movie theater and businesses that cater to daily needs.
- Support the land use changes proposed in this plan, and any future land use changes and rezonings that may facilitate the location of desirable services providers and retail at targeted locations (e.g., shopping centers) and along designated corridors

Imagine Austin - The property is located by the Colony Park Station Neighborhood Activity Center and along an Activity Corridor. The Neighborhood Center’s actual boundaries would need to be clarified through a small area planning process. Activity corridors are characterized by a variety of activities and types of buildings located along the roadway, and are intended to allow people to reside, work, shop,

access services, people watch, recreate, and hang out without traveling far distances. A Neighborhood Center, the smallest center in the Imagine Austin Comprehensive Plan, has a more local focus, and is intended for doctors and dentist offices, retail shops, branch libraries, dry cleaners, hair salons, coffee shops, restaurants, and other small and local businesses to generally serve the center and surrounding neighborhoods. The following IACP policies are also relevant to this case:

LUT P3. Promote development in compact centers, communities, or along corridors that are connected by roads and transit that are designed to encourage walking and bicycling, and reduce health care, housing and transportation costs.

LUT P4. Protect neighborhood character by directing growth to areas of change that includes designated redevelopment areas, corridors and infill sites. Recognize that different neighborhoods have different characteristics

and new and infill development should be sensitive to the predominant character of these communities.

LUT P7. Encourage infill and redevelopment opportunities that place residential, work, and retail land uses in proximity to each other to maximize walking, bicycling, and transit opportunities.

The University Hills/Windsor Park Neighborhood Plan calls for mixed use and quality retail in the planning area with high quality architectural feature and landscaping and a typical service station does not appear to meet this criteria.

Based upon the property being located along a major Activity Corridor that supports commercial uses; the Imagine Austin policies that supports commercial and mixed use, this project appears to support the Imagine Austin Comprehensive Plan.

Site Plan

SP1. Site plans will be required for any new development.

SP2. 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.

SP3. Any new development is subject to Subchapter E. Design Standards and Mixed Use.

Additional comments will be made when the site plan is submitted.

SP4. FYI: Additional design regulations will be enforced at the time a site plan is submitted.

SP5. The site is subject to compatibility standards due to proximity of SF-3-NP to west across Dessau Rd. and to SF-3 to the southeast. The following standards apply:

No structure in excess of two stories or 30 feet in height may be constructed within 50 feet from the property zoned SF-5 or more restrictive.

No structure in excess of three stories or 40 feet in height may be constructed within 100 feet from the property zoned SF-5 or more restrictive.

For a structure more than 100 feet but not more than 300 feet from property zoned SF-5 or more restrictive, height limitation is 40 feet plus one foot for each 10 feet of distance in excess of 100 feet from the property zoned SF-5 or more restrictive.

For a structure more than 300 feet but not more than 540 feet from property zoned SF-5 or more restrictive, 60 feet plus one foot for each four feet of distance in excess of 300 feet from the property zoned SF-5 or more restrictive.

An intensive recreational use, including a swimming pool, tennis court, ball court, or playground, may not be constructed 50 feet or less from property in an SF-5 or more restrictive zoning district.

Transportation

TR1. A Traffic Impact Analysis shall be required at the time of site plan if triggered per LDC 25-6-113. Additional right-of-way maybe required at the time of subdivision and/or site plan.

Existing Street Characteristics:

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Environmental

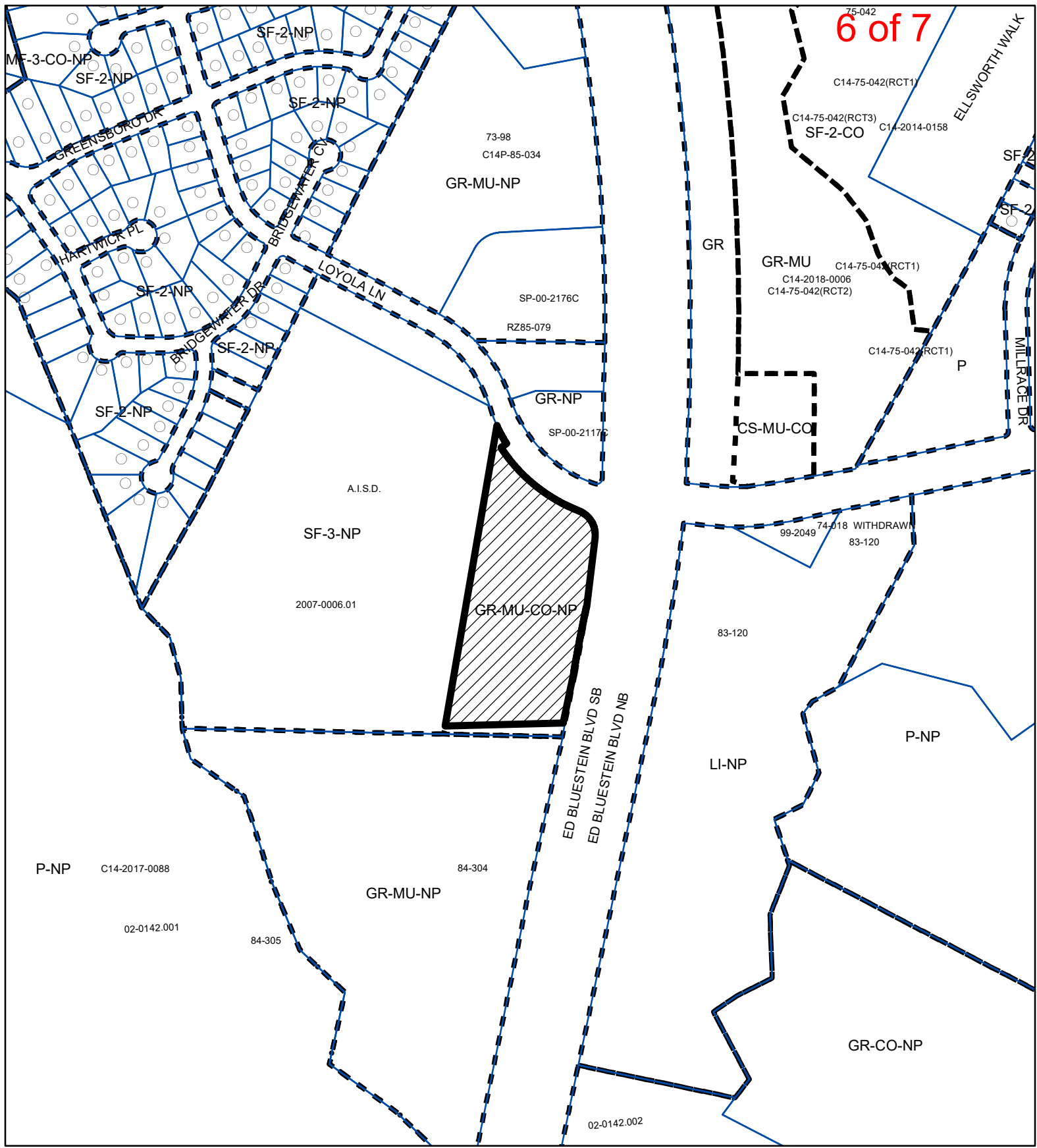
1. The site is not located over the Edwards Aquifer Recharge Zone. The site is located in the Little Walnut Creek Watershed of the Colorado River Basin, which is classified as an Urban Watershed by Chapter 25-8 of the City's Land Development Code.
2. Zoning district impervious cover limits apply in the Urban Watershed classification.
3. According to floodplain maps there is no floodplain within or adjacent to the project location.
4. Standard landscaping and tree protection will be required in accordance with LDC 25-2 and 25-8 for all development and/or redevelopment.
5. At this time, site specific information is unavailable regarding vegetation, areas of steep slope, or other environmental features such as bluffs, springs, canyon rimrock, caves, sinkholes, and wetlands.
6. This site is required to provide on-site water quality controls (or payment in lieu of) for all development and/or redevelopment when 8,000 s.f. cumulative is exceeded, and on site control for the two-year storm.

Water and Wastewater

WW1. 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 land use. The water and wastewater utility plan must be reviewed and approved by Austin Water for compliance with City criteria and suitability for operation and maintenance. Depending on the development plans submitted, water and or wastewater service extension requests may be required. 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.

INDEX OF EXHIBITS TO FOLLOW:




- A. Zoning Map
- B. Aerial Exhibit



ZONING

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-  SUBJECT TRACT
-  PENDING CASE
-  ZONING BOUNDARY

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




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-  SUBJECT TRACT
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-  CREEK BUFFER

AI SD - Loyola Lane Tract

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 LOCATION: 6412 Ed Bluestein Blvd.
 SUBJECT AREA: 2.7 Acres
 GRID: N25
 MANAGER: Heather Chaffin



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