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# PLANNING COMMISSION SITE PLAN CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT REVIEW SHEET

CASE NUMBER: SPC-2020-0074A PC DATE: 5/26/20

**PROJECT NAME:** 80 Rainey CUP

**ADDRESS:** 80 Rainey St.

**APPLICANT:** Ashland Rainey LLC & EW Renovating Rainey LLC

165 W 73rd

New York, New York 10023

**AGENT:** WGI (Cliff Kendall)

2021 E. 5<sup>th</sup> St. Suite 200 Austin, TX 78702 (512) 669-5560

**CASE MANAGER:** Renee Johns, (512) 974-2711 or at Renee.Johns@austintexas.gov

WATERSHED: Waller Creek/Lady Bird Lake

PROPOSED USE: Cocktail Lounge EXISTING ZONING: CBD

NEIGHBORHOOD PLAN: N/A

**PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT:** The applicant is requesting a conditional use permit for a cocktail lounge on a lot located in the historic Rainey Street District. The lot is a total of 7,200 square feet and was previously used as a food truck park. The hours of operation will be Monday – Friday 6pm to 2am, and Saturday and Sunday 12pm to 2am. No construction will occur with this permit but will be permitted either as a B-plan (construction site plan) or as a site plan exemption.

**SUMMARY STAFF RECOMMENDATION:** Staff recommends approval of the conditional use permit. Cocktail lounge is a use allowed in a CBD zoning district, the Waterfront Overlay Rainey sub district triggers the conditional use for the cocktail lounge. Several cocktail lounge uses are already located within this sub district. The site plan will comply with all requirements of the Land Development Code prior to its release.

## CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT REVIEW AND EVALUATION CRITERIA

The following evaluation is included to provide staff evaluation on each point of the conditional use permit criteria. Section 25-5-145 of the Land Development Code states: "The Commission shall determine whether the proposed development or use of a conditional use site plan complies with the requirements of this section."

# A conditional use site plan must:

1. Comply with the requirements of this title; Staff response: This application complies with the requirements of this title.

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2. Comply with the objectives and purposes of the zoning district; Staff response: This application complies with the objectives and purposes of the zoning district. The CBD zoning district allows cocktail lounge use. The Waterfront Overlay Rainey sub district triggers the conditional use for the cocktail lounge. Several cocktail lounge uses are already located within this sub district

- 3. Have building height, bulk, scale, setback, open space, landscaping, drainage, access, traffic circulation, and use that are compatible with the use of an abutting site; Staff response: Yes, there are no SF-5 or more restrictive zoning districts or permitted land uses abutting the site.
- **4.** Provide adequate and convenient off-street parking and loading facilities; Staff response: Proposed use complies with code.
- 5. Reasonably protect persons and property from erosion, flood, fire, noises, glare, and similar adverse effects; Staff response: The proposed project does not contribute to any of the listed adverse effects.

#### A Conditional Use Site Plan May Not:

- 1. More adversely affect an adjoining site than would a permitted use; Staff response: The proposed site plan does not appear to more adversely affect an adjoining site than would a permitted use.
- 2. Adversely affect the safety or convenience of vehicular or pedestrian circulation, including reasonably anticipated traffic and uses in the area; Staff response: The cocktail lounge land use will be located on an already developed site and is not anticipated to affect pedestrian or vehicular circulation.
- 3. Adversely affects an adjacent property or traffic control through the location, lighting, or type of signs; Staff response: The site will comply with all applicable sign regulations in the Land Development Code.

#### **COMMISSION ACTION:**

The Commission may either; approve, approve with conditions or deny the conditional use site plan permit.

To make a determination required for approval under <u>Section 25-5-145</u> (Evaluation of Conditional Use Site Plan), the Land Use Commission may require that a conditional use site plan comply with a condition of approval that includes a requirement for:

- 1) A special yard, open space, buffer, fence, wall, or screen;
- 2) Landscaping or erosion;
- 3) A street improvement or dedication, vehicular ingress and egress, or traffic circulation;
- 4) Signs;
- 5) Characteristics of operation, including hours;
- 6) A development schedule; or
- 7) Other measures that the Land Use Commission determines are required for compatibility with surrounding uses or the preservation of public health, safety, or welfare.

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# PROJECT INFORMATION

Gross Site Area	7,200 sf (gross site area)
Existing Zoning	CBD
Watershed	Waller Creek / Lady Bird Lake
Watershed Ordinance	Current Code
Traffic Impact Analysis	N/A, not required
Capitol View Corridor	N/A
Proposed Access	N/A (all parking provided off-site)
<b>Proposed Impervious Cover</b>	3,102 sf / 43.09%
<b>Proposed Building Coverage</b>	160 sf / 2.22%
Height	1 story
Parking required: None/ CBD	Parking proposed: None/ CBD

#### **EXISTING ZONING AND LAND USES**

	ZONING	LAND USES
Site	CBD	Cocktail Lounge (proposed)
North	CBD	Current Food Truck Park, Proposed: Cocktail lounge
South	CBD	Cocktail Lounge
East	Rainey St then CBD	Restaurant (Banger's)
West	Alley then CBD	Condos

## **SUMMARY COMMENTS ON SITE PLAN:**

**Land Use:** The applicant is requesting a Conditional Use Permit for a Cocktail Lounge land use. The existing building is within the historic Rainey Street District. There are no parking requirements for this site because the zoning district CBD does not require any parking.

The site plan complies with all requirements of the Land Development Code.

## **NEIGHBORHOOD ORGANIZATIONS:**

Austin Independent School District Austin Neighborhoods Council Austin Lost and Found Pets

Bike Austin

City of Austin Downtown Commission Downtown Neighborhood Association

El Concilio Mexican-American

Neighborhoods

Friends of Austin Neighborhoods Friends of the Emma Barrientos MACC

Greater East Austin Neighborhood

Association

Homeless Neighborhood Association

Lower Waller Creek

Neighborhood Empowerment Foundation

Preservation Austin

Rainey Neighbors Association, INC.

**SEL Texas** 

The Shore Condominium Association, Inc.

Sierra Club, Austin Regional Group

Tejano Town

Town Lake Neighborhood Association

Waterloo Greenway

Willow Spence Historic District Neighborhood Association



February 18, 2020

Ms. Denise Lucas Development Services Department 505 Barton Springs Road Austin, Texas 78704

RE:

Engineer's Summary Letter 80 Rainey Street, C.U.P.

80 Rainey Street, Austin, Travis County, Texas

Dear Ms. Lucas:

Please accept this Engineer's Summary Letter along with the accompanying conditional use site plan application package for the proposed 80 Rainey Street C.U.P. project. The proposed project is located at 80 Rainey Street, located entirely within the Full Purpose limits of the City of Austin, in Travis County, Texas. The subject site is approximately  $\pm 0.17$  acres and is currently a food truck park. The proposed project will consist of a conditional use permit that changes the use of the site from food sales to cocktail lounge.

The property is located within the Lady Bird Lake and Waller Creek Watersheds, which are classified as Urban Watersheds. No portion of the subject site is located within the Edwards Aquifer Recharge or Contributing Zone as defined by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ). Additionally, no portion of the subject tract is located within a 100-year FEMA designated flood plain as shown on FEMA Map Panel No. 48453C0465K, effective on 01/22/2020. Additionally, all development will be regulated under the applicable City of Austin zoning ordinances.

To our knowledge, the enclosed application materials are complete, correct, and in full compliance with the Land Development Code and Technical Criteria Manuals of the City of Austin. Should you have any questions regarding this project or application, please do not hesitate to contact our office.

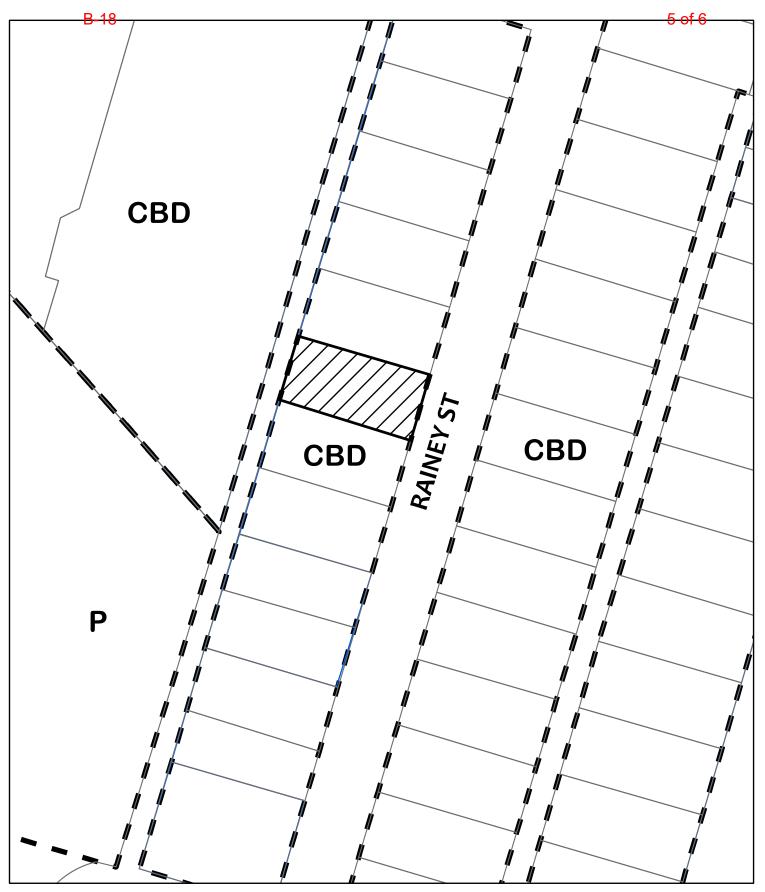
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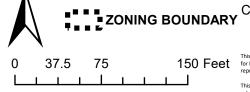
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Texas Engineering Firm No. F-15085

Nicholas O. Corbett, P.E.

**Project Engineer** 





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