

PLANNING COMMISSION

December 2, 2019 at 5:15pm City Council Chambers, 3rd Floor, 1737 Main Street, Columbia, SC 29201

ANNEXATION, INTERIM COMPREHENSIVE PLAN MAP AMENDMENT, AND INTERIM ZONING MAP AMENDMENT CASE SUMMARY 7347 Garners Ferry Road; TMS# 16409-05-04

Council District: 3

Proposal: Request recommendation to annex, assign interim land use classification of Community

Activity Corridor (AC-2) and assign interim zoning of General Commercial District (C-3). The

property is currently classified as Neighborhood (Medium Density) and zoned General

Commercial (GC) by Richland County.

Applicant: Carolina Sales, Inc. of Columbia, SC / 7347 Garners Ferry Road, LLC

Staff Recommendation: Approval

PC Recommendation: 12/02/2019; Pending

CURRENT PARCEL CHARACTERISTICS/CONDITIONS

Acreage: Approx. 0.57 acres Current Use: Commercial Proposed Use: Commercial

Reason for Annexation: Municipal Services

Urban Service Area: Donut Hole

Current County Land Use: Neighborhood (Medium Density)

Proposed Interim City Land Use: Community Activity Corridor (AC-2)

Current County Zoning: General Commercial (GC)

Proposed Interim City Zoning: General Commercial District (C-3)

Census Tract: 116.07

PLANS, POLICIES, AND LAND USE

Urban Service Area

Subject parcel is in a "Donut Hole" as identified in the Urban Service Area Map

Principles and Goals of the Urban Service Area

The Urban Service Area identifies those areas the City of Columbia wishes to provide with urban services. Primary emphasis will be given to annexing developed areas adjoining the City limits and "islands" of unincorporated territory surrounded by the City. Primary, secondary, and long-range annexation priorities for specific areas may be identified. Secondary areas may include higher value properties which assist the City in achieving a more balanced economic base.

Donut Holes are unincorporated areas that are completely surrounded by the City of Columbia and/or another municipality. These areas pose a number of challenges to the City that can be addressed through annexation. They can often cause inefficiencies in the delivery of services due to confusion about jurisdiction. Also, if the land is in a jurisdiction with a different approach to code enforcement, these areas can negatively impact the quality of life

for adjacent City residents. Such inefficiencies and the costs to taxpayers are germane to City and County property both, which results in a greater impact to City residents since they pay City and County taxes.

The Columbia Plan 2018: Comprehensive Plan Land Use Classification

The proposed future land use for the subject property is Community Activity Corridor (AC-2) in The Columbia Plan 2018 Future Land Use Map. The property is currently assigned a future land use of Neighborhood (Medium Density) by Richland County.

Community Activity Corridors are a linear extension of a Community Activity Center. They contain nearly identical building types and uses to a Community Activity Center; the primary difference is the configuration of the lots and the lack of an internal subdivision or street network. Uses are built on frontage lots along principal and minor arterial roadways. They serve surrounding neighborhoods within a 3-5 mile drive and typically consist of a variety of commercial and service uses.

Primary Types

- Small and Medium Business/Employment (excl. Flex)
- Multi-family Small and Medium Mixed-use

Secondary Types

• Multi-family Small and Medium

Tertiary Types

- Civic/Institutional
- Large Format Business/Employment (excl. Flex)
- Single-family Attached
- Cemeteries & Mausoleums
- Parking Structures & Lots

Existing Neighborhood, Small Area, Community, and/or Corridor Plans

The subject property is not located within a study area of a neighborhood, small area, community, or corridor plan adopted by the City of Columbia or Richland County.

PROPOSED ZONING DISTRICT SUMMARY

The parcel is currently zoned GC by Richland County. Surrounding parcels within the City of Columbia are currently zoned General Commercial District (C-3) to the West, North, and South. Surrounding parcels in unincorporated Richland County are currently zoned GC to the East.

The proposed interim City of Columbia zoning district is General Commercial District (C-3).

General Commercial District (C-3)

The C-3 district is intended to accommodate a variety of general commercial and nonresidential uses characterized primarily by retail, office and service establishments and oriented primarily to major traffic arteries or extensive areas of predominantly commercial usage and characteristics. Certain related structures and uses are permitted outright or are permissible as special exceptions subject to restrictions and requirements intended to best fulfill the intent of this article. It is not the intent of this article to encourage the development of long, narrow strips of commercial development fronting on major arteries, often referred to as strip commercial areas. Such development is often incompatible with adjacent uses and may lead to the eventual formation of commercial slums, damage the traffic-carrying capacities of streets, increase congestion, lead to depreciation of property values in adjacent areas, encourage undue dispersion of commercial facilities to the inconvenience of the public, and create disproportionate costs in the provision of governmental services.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that Planning Commission approve a resolution recommending to City Council the assignment of an interim future land use classification of Community Activity Corridor (AC-2) at the time of annexation.

Staff recommends the Planning Commission recommend to City Council the assignment of interim zoning of General Commercial District (C-3) at the time of annexation.



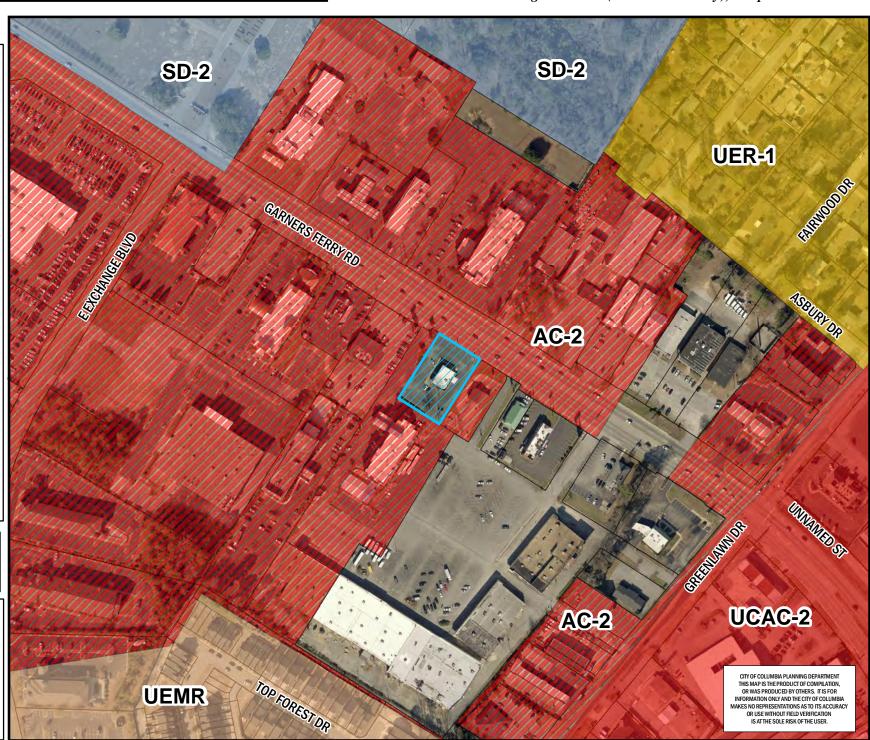
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