

Public Hearing ZC-24-01 2420 S IH 35 Hotel/ HC to CM

Consider approval of Ordinance 2024-11, on the second of two readings, amending the Official Zoning Map of the City in Case ZC-24-01, by rezoning approximately 3.04 acres of land out of the subdivision known as Thermon Industrial Park No. 2, Unit 1, Lot 2-B, Block 2, located at 2420 IH 35 S, from Heavy Commercial "HC" to Commercial "CM", or subject to the consent of the owner, another less intense zoning district classification, including procedural provisions; and providing an effective date.

Property Information

Approximately 3.0 acres

Located between S IH 35 and Barnes Dr. frontages, approx. 960' southwest of Thermon Dr.

Located within City Limit

Related applications:

• AC-24-01 (Build-To Zone Requirement)



Context & History

Currently vacant

Surrounding uses

- Manufacturing
- Office

Zoned HC via Ord. 2005-84 on November 1, 2005



Context & History

Existing Zoning: Heavy Commercial (HC)

> Commercial and manufacturing uses with consideration for nearby residential and institutional uses

Proposed Zoning: Commercial (CM)

> Commercial uses that should be situated at entrances to pedestrian oriented areas



Comp Plan Analysis

Step 1: Where is the property located on the Comprehensive Plan?

Existing Preferred Scenario: Employment Center

"The preferred scenario shows the locations of potential employment centers which are appropriate for industrial, large office park and intensive commercial uses. Typically, these uses are located on large sites with excellent road and rail access and access to water and sewer infrastructure." (Vision San Marcos)



Comp Plan Analysis



Step 2: Is the request consistent with the Comprehensive Plan / District Translation Table?

Commercial (CM) within an "Employment Center"

TABLE 4.1 COMPREHENSIVE PLAN / DISTRICT TRANSLATION

DISTRICT CLASSIFICATION		COMPREHENSIVE PLAN DESIGNATIONS				
	OPEN SPACE/ Agricultural	LOW INTENSITY	EXISTING Neighborhood	MEDIUM OR HIGH Intensity Zone	EMPLOYMENT CENTER	
Conventional Residential	NP	NP	С	PSA	PSA	
Neighborhood Density Districts	NP	NP	See Section 4.1.2.4 - 4.1.2.5	NP	NP	
Character Districts	NP	See Section 4.1.2.6	PSA	С	NP	
Special Districts	PSA	NP	PSA	NP	C	
Legend	PSA = Not Allowed (PSA Required)		NP=Not Preferred		C = Consider	

Zoning Analysis

District primarily intended to serve as a commercial gateway and to take advantage of proximity to major roadways

Permitted building types include Live/Work, General Commercial/Mixed Use Shopfront, and Civic Buildings

General commercial, office, & retail uses

Hotel with more than 30 rooms proposed



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BUILDING STANDARDS		
Principle Building Height	4 stories max.	62 ft. max.
Accessory Structure Height	N/A	24 ft. max.

5.000 ft. max

Conventional

applied along highway corridors that serve as entrances to downtown

80% max.

Section 3.6.2.1

Section 3.8.1.7

or other pedestrian oriented activity areas.

Impervious Cover

TRANSPORTATION Block Perimeter

Streetscape Type

Environmental Analysis

Not located within the Edwards Aquifer Recharge Zone, Contributing Zone,, or Transition Zone

Located within the 100-year floodplain

No change in impervious cover due to zoning change



Infrastructure

Streets

- Streetscape improvements (Conventional)
- Transportation Master Plan –
 Enhanced Avenue and Greenway
- Block perimeter (5,000')
- Bicycle & sidewalk connections

Utilities

 City of San Marcos water/ wastewater/ electric



Recommendation



The Planning and Zoning Commission recommended approval of ZC-24-01 as presented with an 8-0 vote.

- Discussion Topics
 - Impact of floodplain on site development
 - Limitations on parking location entailed by rezoning
 - Shared access onto IH 35

Staff recommends **approval** of ZC-24-01 as presented.

Zoning District Comparison Chart

	Existing Zoning:	Proposed Zoning:
Topic	Heavy Commercial (HC)	Commercial (CM)
Zoning	Heavy Commercial (HC) is intended to accommodate auto	Commercial (CM) is intended to serve as a commercial gateway
Description	oriented and other heavy commercial uses. Development	and to take advantage of proximity to major roadways,
	should be operated in a relatively clean and quiet manner, and	therefore the quality and aesthetics of new development is
	should not be obnoxious to nearby residential or commercial	very important. CM should be applied along highway corridors
	uses.	that serve as entrances to downtown or other pedestrian
		oriented activity areas.
Uses	Primarily commercial and manufacturing uses permitted with	Variety of commercial uses permitted including offices, retail,
	some allowances for public/ institutional and agricultural uses	medical, hotels, recreation, light manufacturing, and
	(see Land Use Matrix).	restaurants (see Land Use Matrix).
Parking	No location standards	Surface parking not allowed in the first layer
Location		Garage parking allowed in the third layer only
Parking	Dependent on use	Dependent upon use
Standards		
Max	N/A	N/A
Residential		
Units per acre		
Occupancy	N/A	N/A
Restrictions		
Landscaping	Tree and shrub requirements	Tree and shrub requirements
Building Height	4 stories and 62 ft.	4 stories and 62 ft.
(max)		
Setbacks	Minimums – 20 ft. front, 5 ft. side, 20 ft. rear	10-20 ft. setback from primary street; 10-15 ft. setback from
		secondary street
		5 ft. minimum side setback; 20 ft. minimum rear setback (3 ft.
		rear if abutting an alley)
Impervious	80%	80%
Cover (max)		
Lot Sizes	6,000 sq. ft. minimum	4,000 sq. ft. minimum for general commercial, mixed-use
		shopfront and civic buildings; 1,100 sq. ft. minimum for
		live/work buildings
Streetscapes	Conventional: 6 ft. sidewalk, street trees every 40 ft. on center	Conventional: 6 ft. sidewalk, street trees every 40 ft. on center
	on average, 7 ft. planting area between sidewalk and street	on average, 7 ft. planting area between sidewalk and street
_	required	required
Blocks	5,000 ft. maximum block perimeter	5,000 ft. maximum block perimeter

