Conditional	Use Permit
CUP-24-55	

139 E Hopkins Harper's and Four Play



Summary

Request:	Amendment of a Conditional Use Permit for a name change and business expansion.			
Applicant:	Sean Neal SKNeal LLC 139 E Hopkins Street San Marcos, TX 78666	Property Owner:	Sloan James LLC 139 E Hopkins Street San Marcos, TX 78666	
CUP Expiration:	N/A (Lifetime)	Type of CUP:	CBA Bar Mixed Beverage	
Interior Floor Area:	8,888 sq. ft.	Outdoor Floor Area:	1,192 sq. ft.	
Parking Required:	N/A	No		
Days & Hours of Operation:	Monday-Friday: 5pm-2am Saturday-Sunday: 3pm-2am			

Notification

Posted:	11/22/2024	Personal:	11/22/2024
Response:	None as of the date of this report		

Property Description

Legal Description:	Original Town of San Marcos, Block 20, Lot Part of 5				
Location:	Located on E Hopkins Street near the intersection of N LBJ Drive				
Acreage:	0.171 acres PDD/DA/Other: N/A				
Existing Zoning:	CD-5D	Same			
Existing Use:	Bar	Same			
Preferred Scenario:	Mixed Use Medium	Same			
CONA Neighborhood:	Downtown (CBA)	Sector 8			
Utility Capacity:	Adequate	No			
Historic Designation:	Downtown Historic My Historic SMTX Yes, Mediu		Yes, Medium Priority		
	District	Resources Survey:			

Surrounding Area	Zoning	Existing Land Use	Preferred Scenario
North of Property:	CD-5D	Parking/ Retail	Mixed Use Medium
South of Property:	P - Public	Public - Courthouse	Mixed Use Medium
East of Property:	CD-5D	Bar/ Restaurant	Mixed Use Medium
West of Property:	CD-5D	Bar/ Restaurant	Mixed Use Medium

Staff Recommendation

Approval as Submitted	<u>X</u>	Approval with Conditions	Denial
1. The Conditional Use Permit shall be valid for three (3) years, provided standards are met; and			
This permit shall be posted in the same area and manner as the Certificate of Occupancy			
Staff: Craig Garrison		Title : Planner	Date: 12/4/2024

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<u>History</u>

Harper's is an established bar with multiple approvals by Planning and Zoning Commission for name changes. The purpose of this request is for a name change from "Harper's Public House," to "FlourPlay." The applicant is also expanding the square footage by approximately 2,000 square feet by converting existing office space.

Approval History:

- 1996, Original SUP issued to L & D Dishman to allow consumption of mixed beverages.
- 1999, Administrative Approval for a name change from "L & D Dishman" to "The Draft Choice Inc." (SUP-99-06).
- 2008, Planning and Zoning Commission approved amendment The Draft Choice Inc, to allow for mixed beverages at a restaurant, (CUP-08-17)
- 2009, Planning and Zoning Commission approved amendment for a name change to Harper's Public House, (CUP-09-13)
- 2010, Planning and Zoning Commission approved amendment to Harper's Public House, to allow expansion of the bar, (CUP-10-05)
- 2012, Planning and Zoning Commission approved renewal to Harper's Public House, which had expired (CUP-12-27)
- 2015, Planning and Zoning Commission approved for Harper's Public House for owner change. (CUP-15-16)

With the last approval in 2015, the CUP was approved for the life of the TABC permit.

This case requires a conditional use permit to be heard by the Planning and Zoning Commission due to the expansion of floor space, and per section 2.8.3.5 of the Development Code: "There is significant change in the name of the establishment, or any physical or operational change in the business that increase off-site impacts to surrounding properties."

A Certificate of Appropriateness was received from the Historic Preservation Commission to "Repainting of the woodwork and window trim on the front façade, the poles and balcony railings, and for painting the reveal lines to create the appearance of inlaid tile." With the following conditions:

1. The paint colors are applied as indicated on the attached description of work (Exhibit A), which was submitted by the applicant on August 22, 2024.

2. No previously unpainted brick on the structure shall be painted.

3. Following completion of painting, the applicant shall contact staff to set up an inspection. Please retain all painting materials, such as the paint cans utilized, until after the inspection is complete.

Additional Analysis

The remodel of existing office space into expanded bar space may require modifications to meet current fire code, comments from the COSM Fire Department are below:

- This could change the occupant load calculations. Occupant load will be verified during the plans review process.
- Adding the stairs on Hopkins will help but the width of all egress components must meet the occupant load, multiplied by 0.3 for stairs and 0.2 for other means.
- Adding additional doors is helpful.
 - Existing fire sprinkler system will require modification.
- If there are no fire alarm notification appliances in the existing space, they may be required due to the change to an assembly.



All fire sprinkler, fire alarm and other life safety systems must have received and passed their final • inspection before furniture or other combustible fixtures can be moved in.

All Fire Code comments must be addressed prior to the issuance of a remodel permit.

Comments from Other Departments				
Police	See Attached Police Report			
Fire	See Comments Above			
Public Services	No Comment			
Engineering	No Comment			
Health/Code	No Comment			

	Evaluation		Criteria for Approval (Sec. 2.8.3.4 & 5.1.5.5)
Consistent	Inconsistent	Neutral	
<u>x</u>			The proposed use at the specified location is consistent with the policies embodied in the adopted comprehensive plan.
<u>×</u>			The proposed use is consistent with any adopted neighborhood character study for the area.
<u>x</u>			The proposed use is consistent with the general purpose and intent of the applicable zoning district regulations.
x			The proposed use is compatible with and preserves the character and integrity of adjacent developments and neighborhoods, and includes improvements either on-site or within the public rights-of-way to mitigate development related adverse impacts, such as traffic, noise, odors, visual nuisances, drainage or other similar adverse effects to adjacent development and neighborhoods.
<u>×</u>			The proposed use does not generate pedestrian and vehicular traffic which shall be hazardous or conflict with the existing and anticipated traffic in the neighborhood.
		X	The proposed use incorporates roadway adjustments, traffic control devices or mechanisms and access restrictions to control traffic flow or divert traffic as may be needed to reduce or eliminate development generated traffic on neighborhood streets.
		<u>x</u>	The proposed use incorporates features to minimize adverse effects, including visual impacts, of the proposed conditional use on adjacent properties.
<u>×</u>			The proposed use meets the standards for the applicable district, or to the extent variations from such standards have been requested that such variations are necessary to render the use compatible with adjoining development and the neighborhood.
<u>x</u>			The proposed use is not within 300 ft. of a detached single family residence located in a zoning district that only permits detached single family residences.
<u>x</u>			The proposed use is not within 300 ft. of a church, public or private school, or public hospital.
<u>x</u>			The proposed use is not within 1,000 ft. of a public or private school as outlined within section 5.1.5.5.