

# Zoning Staff Report

Date: August 27, 2024 Case Number: ZC-23-195 Council District: 3

## **Zoning Map Amendment**

Case Manager: Brett Mangum

Owner / Applicant: CCA & CWB LLC / Joshua Galbreath

Site Location: 7716 Norman Avenue Acreage: 0.50 acres

## Request

**Proposed Use:** Apartments

**Request:** From: "A-5" One Family Residential w/ NASJRB Overlay

To: "CR" Low Density Multifamily w/ NASJRB Overlay

#### Recommendation

Land Use Compatibility: Requested change is not compatible

Comprehensive Plan Map Consistency: Requested change is not consistent

Comprehensive Plan Policy Consistency: Requested change is not consistent

Staff Recommendation: Denial

**Zoning Commission Recommendation:** Denial by a vote of 10-0

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#### Project Description and Background

The subject site is located on the west side of Fort Worth, situated one block south of the Camp Bowie West Blvd. corridor, in Council District 3. This mid-block site is currently undeveloped. The applicant is requesting to rezone the half-acre property from "A-5" One Family Residential to "CR" Low Density Multifamily, to accommodate an apartment development with approximately 8 units, for a density of 16 dwelling units per acre of gross density. Please note that a formal Site Plan is not required for a rezoning to "CR", however the applicant has provided staff with a rendering and floor plan (attached to this report) showing their most recent development plans in order to give staff and City officials an idea on how the developer envisions the layout and functionality of the site. Current site conditions are included for reference below, showing the surroundings which are predominately large lot residential, single family houses.











#### Surrounding Zoning and Land Uses

North "CB-IA" Camp Bowie-Industrial Arts / billiards & restaurant

East "A-5" One Family Residential / single family South "A-5" One Family Residential / single family

West "PD-649" Planned Development-Specific Use / single family & cabinet shop

### **Recent Zoning History**

• ZC-14-102, NAS JRB Overlay added

#### **Public Notification**

300-foot Legal Notifications were mailed on August 2, 2024. The following organizations were emailed on August 2, 2024:

Organizations Notified		
Streams and Valleys Inc	Trinity Habitat for Humanity	
NAS Fort Worth JRB RCC	Bomber Heights NA	
Fort Worth ISD	Camp Bowie District, Inc.	

#### **Development Impact Analysis**

#### Land Use Compatibility

Surrounding land uses in this area are mainly single family residential in use and in zoning. With the exception of a hybrid PD to the west (single family house with the addition of small scale cabinet manufacturing) and commercial to the north along Camp Bowie West, all of the uses to the east and south are exclusively residential. Norman Avenue is a quiet side street that runs one block between Williams Road and Reagan Drive, it is not a thoroughfare or otherwise given any special designation in the City's Master Thoroughfare Plan. With the sole ingress and egress being on Norman Avenue, all traffic would utilize the same access points.

The rezoning of this site to "CR" would be disruptive to existing uses in the vicinity. The proposed zoning **is not compatible** with surrounding land uses.

#### Comprehensive Plan Consistency – Western Hills/Ridglea Sector

The 2023 Comprehensive Plan designates the subject property as *future single family residential*. Zoning categories in alignment with this Comprehensive Plan designation would be "A-10", "A-7.5", "A-5", or "AR" One Family residential zoning. The current "A-5" zoning is in alignment and consistent with the Comprehensive Plan designation. In order to accommodate the current development and rezoning proposal, a designation of

Medium Density Residential would be required in order to accommodate a rezoning to "CR" Low Density Multifamily.

#### **LAND USE & ZONING CONFORMANCE**

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#### FUTURE LAND USE AND ZONING CLASSIFICATIONS

Zoning implements the Future Land Use Map, which guides the location of appropriate places to live, play, and conduct business. The future land use maps and policies are used by staff, appointed comissioners, and elected officials when making decisions regarding zoning, annexation, budgeting, and major public facilities expenditures.

APPENDIX C: FUTURE LAND USE BY SECTOR

FUTURE LAND USE	DESCRIPTION	IMPLEMENTING ZONING
RESIDENTIAL		
Rural Residential	1+ acre single-family	A-2.5, A-43
Suburban Residential	1/2+ acre single-family	A-21
Single-Family Residential	3,500+ sq. ft. lot single-family	A-10, A-7.5, A-5, AR
Manufactured Housing	Manufactured home parks and subdivisions	MH
Low Density Residential	2,500+ sq. ft. lot single-family, two-family, patio homes, townhouses, cluster housing	B, R1, R2
Medium Density Residential	Up to 36 units/acre multifamily	CR, C, D
Urban Residential	Medium to high density, residential only, pedestrian-oriented development for use between higher and lower intensity uses	UR
High Density Residenital	>36 units/acre multifamily, mixed-use multifamily and pedestrianoriented development in growth center	s UR, MU-1, MU-2, Form-Based Codes

The proposed zoning **is not consistent** with the Comprehensive Plan map designation. If the zoning change is approved as presented, staff recommends that the Future Land Use Plan designation be updated to reflect this change.

In terms of policy, this zoning change is not supported by at least five of the policies specific to the Western Hills/Ridglea area, which generally discourage the intrusion of incompatible uses. The site is within the 65 decibel noise contour from the NAS Fort Worth JRB, which will require additional sound attenuation measures as part of the building process. The city does not want to encourage more residents in the path of constant aircraft noise. Additionally, this is a mid-block site, so this site does not function as a buffer between non-residential and single family uses/zones.

#### WESTERN HILLS/RIDGLEA SECTOR FUTURE LAND USE

#### **Sector Land Use Policies**

- 4. Discourage incompatible uses within the NASFW JRB runway Clear Zone and Accident Potential Zones. Discourage residential development or require sound mitigation within areas of noise levels greater than 65 decibels for all airports to ensure compatibility between surrounding land uses while providing additional protections to airport operations.
- 5. Protect residential neighborhoods from encroachment by incompatible commercial uses.
- 8. Reduce the density of multifamily units outside of the mixed-use growth centers.
- 9. Promote compatibility of infill housing with existing residential uses.
- 11. Promote buffers and other compatible uses between multifamily and single-family residential.



CCA and CWB LLC

Applicant:

Address: 7709 Camp Bowie West Boulevard

Zoning From: **CR** Zoning To:

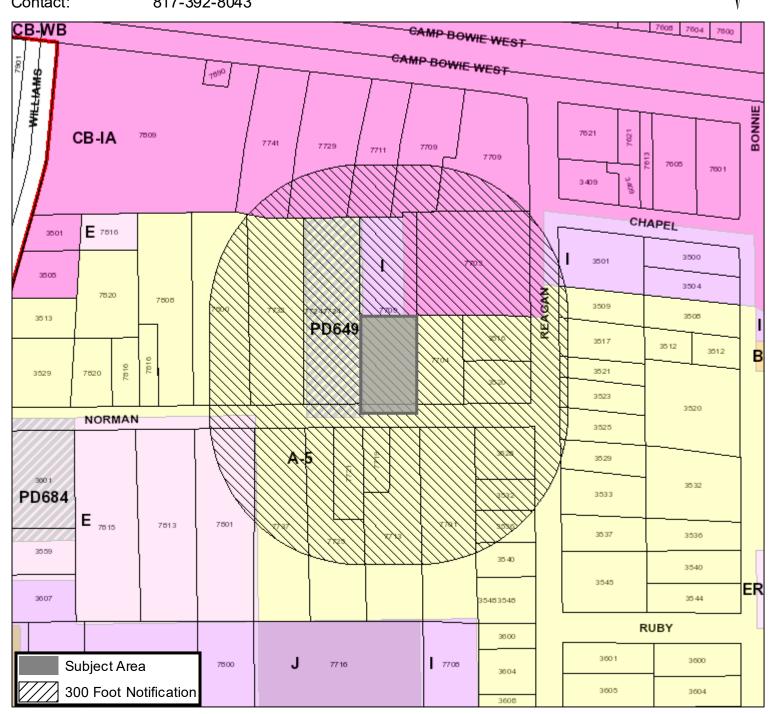
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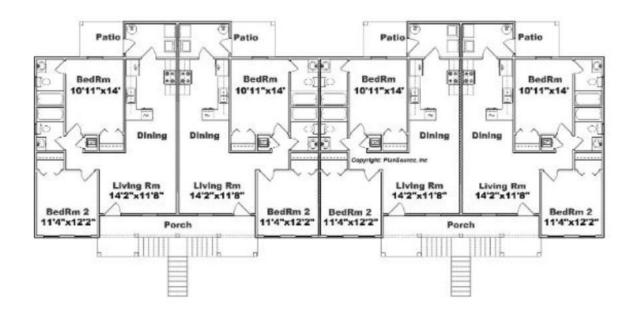
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Western\_Hills\_Ridglea Sector/District:

Commission Date: 7/10/2024 817-392-8043 Contact:



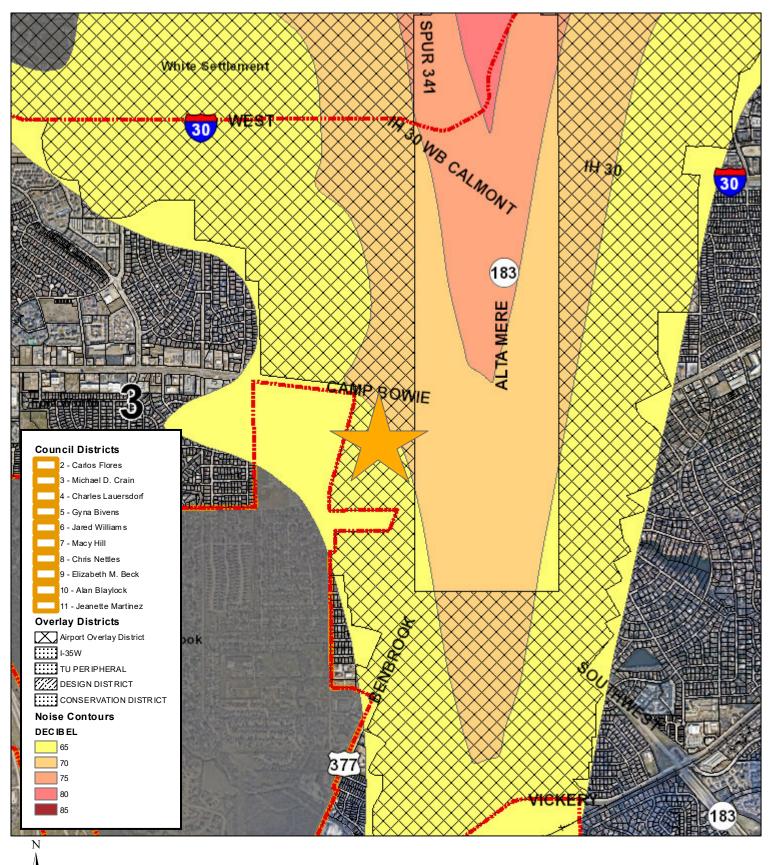




## **Exterior view**







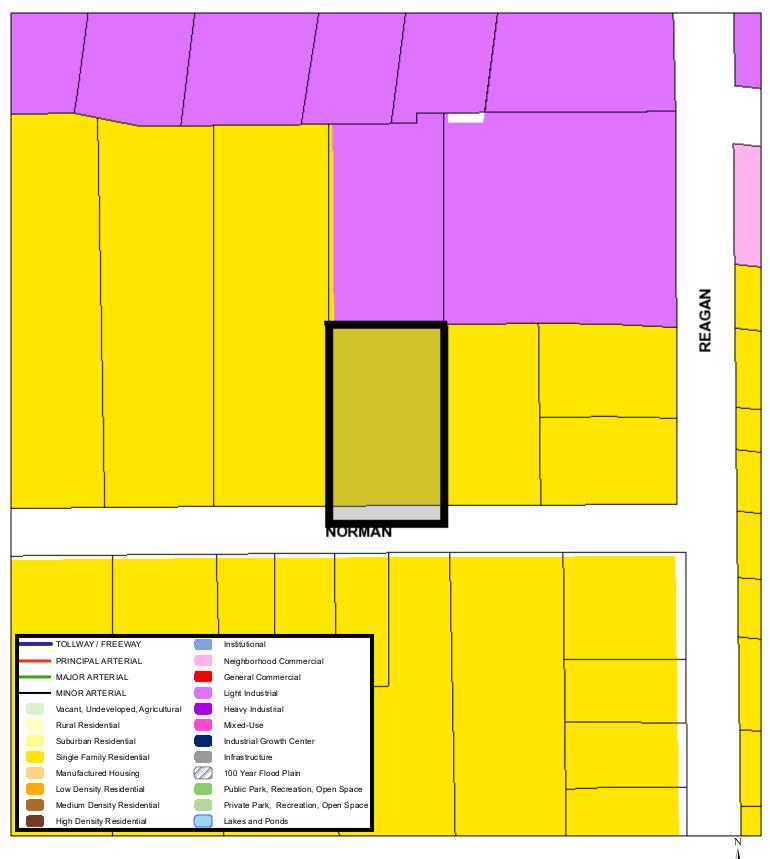
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# **Future Land Use**





# **Aerial Photo Map**



