# Zoning Staff Report

Date: January 14, 2025

Fort Worth.

Case Number: ZC-24-076

#### **Council District: 8**

## Zoning Map Amendment

- Case Manager: Lynn Jordan
- Owner / Applicant: Richard Gasca / Alicia Rangel Villalobos
- Site Location: 1108 S. Riverside Drive

Acreage: 0.21 acres

Request

- Proposed Use: Auto Repair / Sales
- Request: From: "E" Neighborhood Commercial
  - To: "F" General Commercial

#### 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 9-0

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#### Project Description and Background

The case was continued from the November meeting.

The subject property is located at the northwest corner of Avenue E and South Riverside Drive. This property is situated in South Riverside Drive Scenic Corridors and Neighborhood Empowerment Zone (NEZ) Area Six.

Before a City initiated zoning change in 2004 to rezone various properties in the area, the site was zoned "FR" General Commercial Restricted and was developed with a mechanic shop. The shop operated as a legal non-conforming for some time. In 2017, the previous owner applied for a legal non-conforming use; however, the application was denied because they could not prove that the business had been operating legally and continuously since the zoning change occurred and went into effect on August 10, 2004. In 2022 the applicant applied for a zoning change to "E" Neighborhood Commercial for professional offices and bakery.

The new owner proposes to rezone the entire site to "F" General Commercial to use the existing building for auto repair and sales.



Site Photo

#### Surrounding Zoning and Land Uses

North "A-5" One-Family / vacant East (across Riverside Drive) "B" Two-Family / vacant South "A-5" "A-5" One-Family / vacant West "A-5" One-Family / single-family home

- ZC-22-142: rezoned to "E" Neighborhood Commercial on October 11, 2022.
- ZC-04-191: rezoned to "A-5" Ordinance 16073 on August 10, 2004 as part of a larger City-initiated rezoning

#### **Public Notification**

300-foot Legal Notifications were mailed on October 31, 2024. The following organizations were notified: (emailed October 31, 2024)

Organizations Notified	
United Communities Association of South Fort Worth	Hillside NA
Polytechnic Heights South NA	Parker Essex Boaz NA
Belmont NA	East Fort Worth, Inc.
Glenwood Triangle NA	Fort Worth ISD
Streams and Valleys Inc	Trinity Habitat for Humanity
Southeast Fort Worth Inc *	East Fort Worth Business Association

\* This Neighborhood Association is located closest to the subject property

#### **Development Impact Analysis**

#### Land Use Compatibility

The applicant is proposing to change the zoning of this property from "E" Neighborhood Commercial to "F" General Commercial to use the existing building for auto repair and sales. Surrounding north and south are zoned "A-5" One-Family and are currently vacant. The property to the east is zoned "B" Two-family and is also vacant. The property to the west is zoned "A-5" and is used as a single-family home occupied by renters.

South Riverside Drive is designated as an arterial roadway on the Master Thoroughfare Plan; additionally, two (2) transit lines run within a block or two of the sites (Trinity Metro bus routes 4 & 25), which supports slightly more intensive development than the current "A-5" One-Family zoning.

The proposed "F" General Commercial zoning has more intensive uses that would not be compatible with the overall neighborhood character.

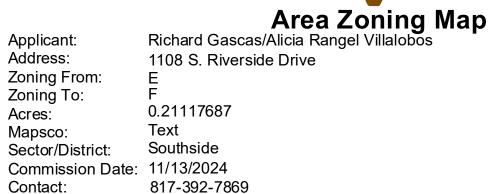
The proposed zoning is **not compatible** with surrounding land uses.

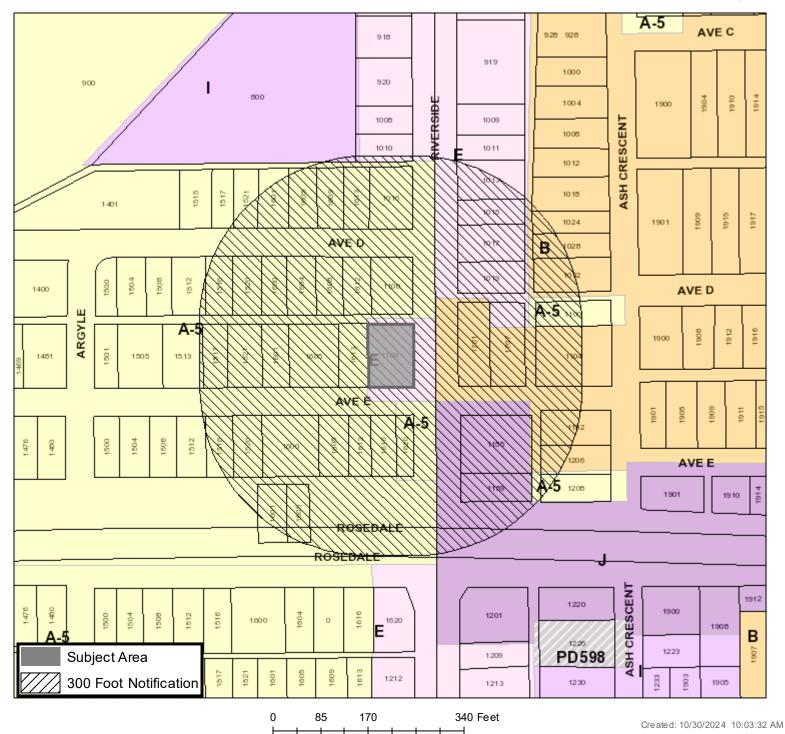
Comprehensive Plan Consistency - Southside

The area requested to be rezoned to "F" General Commercial is currently earmarked as neighborhood commercial. The proposed zoning **is not consistent** with the Comprehensive Plan map or policies.



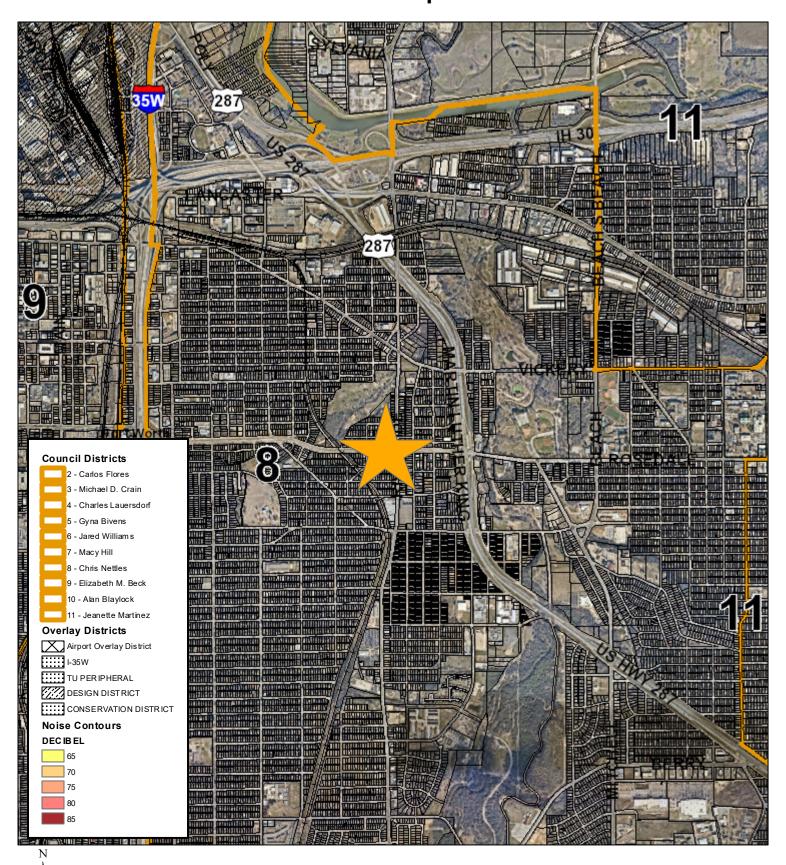
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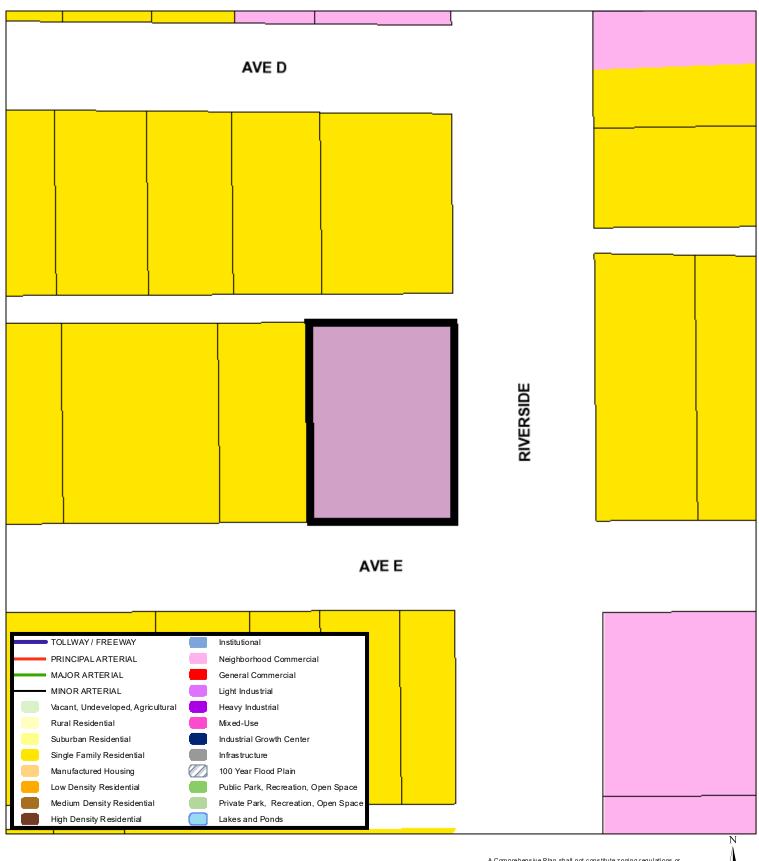


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### **Future Land Use**



A Comprehensive Plan shall not constitute zoning regulations or establish zoning district boundaries. (Texas Local Government Code, Section 213.005.) Land use designations were approved by City Council on March 6, 2018.



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# **Aerial Photo Map**

