Date: March 8, 2022
Case Number: ZC-21-224

## Conditional Use Permit

## Case Manager: Beth Knight

Owner / Applicant: NEC CTR \& McP LP/JM Civil Engineering
Site Location: 9300 block Summer Creek Drive Acreage: 1.29 acres

## Request

Proposed Use: $\quad$ Car Wash
Request: From: "G" Intensive Commercial
To: Add Conditional Use Permit to allow for a self-service car wash in "G" Intensive Commercial; site plan included

|  | Recommendation |
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| Land Use Compatibility: | Requested change is compatible. |
| Comprehensive Plan Consistency: | Requested change is consistent. |
| Staff Recommendation: | Approval |
| Zoning Commission Recommendation: | Denial by a vote of 6-2 |
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The proposed site is located on the west side of Summer Creek Drive, north of McPherson Boulevard. The applicant is requesting to add a Conditional Use Permit to allow a carwash facility; site plan included.

Carwashes are only permitted within commercial zoning districts through the CUP process. The applicant has applied for the (CUP) Conditional Use Permit to allow this use within the "G" district for a drive-thru carwash facility in an approximately $4,500 \mathrm{sq}$. ft. building. Self-service vacuum spaces are shown in a row south of the carwash building. Conditional uses are those uses which are generally compatible with the permitted land uses in a given zoning district, but which require individual review of their proposed location, design and configuration, and the imposition of conditions in order to ensure the appropriateness of the use at a particular location.

While a carwash is not permitted in the "G" zoning district by right, allowing one by CUP with a site plan may help mitigate any neighborhood concerns, as well as give options for the CUP to be revoked in the event of code violation convictions. The site is currently vacant land. The nearest residential use is a multifamily complex across Summer Creek Drive to the east, with additional multifamily complexes further to the north. The closest residential building is approximately 150 feet away. While the car wash dryer faces the multifamily complex, a landscaping berm has been proposed along the eastern side between the car wash dryer and the existing multifamily uses.

Through Ordinance 23609 effective March 29, 2019, the Conditional Use Permit allows for an unlimited time period for the operation of a use unless otherwise approved by the City Council. If a time limit is established for a Conditional Use Permit, the renewal of the CUP shall be considered through the public hearing process and approved by the City Council. A CUP shall expire if no permitting action is taken within six months of approval or cease of the use for six months. A CUP may be revoked through the public hearing process if necessary after convictions of one or more code violations.

Per Section 4.407 (a), the following general rules apply to all conditional uses:
a) Conditional use permits in residential districts shall be limited to those uses designated "CUP" in the Residential District Use Table in Chapter 4, Article 6, Section 4.603.
b) Approval of a conditional use permit shall authorize only the particular use or category of related uses for which the conditional use permit is issued.
c) A conditional use shall not be enlarged, extended or otherwise modified unless approved by the City Council or approved administratively as applicable.
d) The use of property for the purposes described in a conditional use permit shall not commence until a certificate of occupancy has been issued. A certificate of occupancy shall not be issued until all or approvals which may be required by the Codes and Ordinances of the City, including, but not limited to, a Building Permit, a Certificate Of Occupancy and subdivision approval have been satisfied.

Section (d) provides the following Conditional Use Permit factors in consideration of appropriateness of a request:
a) The proposed use is consistent with the Comprehensive Plan;
b) The proposed use is compatible with the existing and adjacent uses.
c) The proposed use meets all supplemental use standards specifically applicable to the use as set forth in Chapter 5;
d) The proposed use is compatible with and preserves the character and integrity of adjacent development and neighborhoods;
e) The proposed use is not materially detrimental to the public health, safety, and welfare, or results in material damage or prejudice to other property in the vicinity.

## Surrounding Zoning and Land Uses

North "G" Intensive Commercial / Vacant land
East "PD 971" Planned Development for D uses / Multifamily uses
South "G" Intensive Commercial / Vacant land
West "G" Intensive Commercial / Vacant land

## Recent Zoning History

ZC-18-004, north of subject, amend PD 971 boundaries of R1 and D uses, approved 2/7/2018.
ZC-20-110, north of subject, from R1 to PD for CR uses plus cottage community, approved 9/17/2020.

## Public Notification

300-foot Legal Notifications were mailed on December 21, 2021.
The following organizations were notified: (emailed December 22, 2021)

| Organizations Notified |  |
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| Panther Heights NA* | Streams and Valleys Inc |
| Summer Creek Ranch HOA | Trinity Habitat for Humanity |
| District 6 Alliance | Crowley ISD |

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


## Development Impact Analysis

Land Use Compatibility

The applicant is proposing a zoning change to add a CUP to allow a carwash facility in the "G" zoning district. Surrounding land uses consist of a multifamily complex to the east with vacant commercially zoned land in all other directions. The multifamily uses are directly across the street from the car wash dryer, approximately 150 feet from the site. Sound from this type of equipment is noticeable until approximately 300 feet away. The applicants have added a landscaped berm between the car wash dryer and the multifamily uses to mitigate the sound effects on the neighborhood. The development waiver request to provide 23 parking spaces is 2 spaces less than required but provides more than $90 \%$ of the required parking spaces. As the site is more than 250 feet from a one- or two-family district, this development waiver request should not negatively impact the neighboring properties.

The site plan as submitted is not in general compliance with the Zoning Ordinance regulations.

1. Please note the building material of the "Painted Structure" on the west elevation.
2. The dryer is facing the residential uses that are less than 300 feet away. Please note the height of the berm in the landscaping along Summer Creek Drive.
3. 25 parking spaces are required for 5 car lengths in the car wash, instead of 23 parking spaces provided, as required in Sec. 5.108. This item has requested a development waiver.
4. Revise the adjacent zoning of the land to the east from PD-MU to PD 971 for D uses.

The proposed zoning request is compatible with surrounding land uses due the sound buffering provided along the eastern side of the project, as well as the intensive commercial zoning surrounding the site.
(Comments made by Platting (Subdivision Ordinance), Transportation/Public Works, Fire, Park \& Recreation, and Water Department staff cannot be waived through the Zoning Commission and City Council. Approval of the zoning site plan does not constitute the acceptance of conditions.)

Comprehensive Plan Consistency - Far Southwest

The 2021 Comprehensive Plan currently designates the subject property as general commercial.
While the proposed zoning is consistent with the land use designations for this area, the proposed zoning aligns with the following policies of the Comprehensive Plan:

- Separate incompatible land uses with buffers or transitional uses. Some land uses have attributes such as height, proportion, scale, operational characteristics, traffic generated, or appearance that may not be compatible with the attributes of other uses.

Based on conformance with the future land use map and conformance with the policies stated above, the proposed zoning is consistent with the Comprehensive Plan.

## Economic Development Plan

The 2021 Economic Development Strategic Plan identified four different results to facilitate the success and growth of Fort Worth:

1. High-wage job growth.
2. A more sustainable tax base, driven less by residential property valuation and more by commercial and industrial investment.
3. An economy that capitalizes on high-growth businesses and the creative individuals who fuel them, targeting specific industry classifications.
4. A commitment to "quality of place" throughout the community, including rising home values, new business startups, reduction of blighted areas, and the emergence of walkable corridors with a mixture of residential and commercial developments and related amenities.

This zoning request does not assist in high-wage job growth, is not a targeted high-growth industry, and the auto-oriented use does not contribute to walkable corridors.

## Applicant:

Address:
Zoning From:
Zoning To:
Acres:
Mapsco:

Commission Date: 1/12/2022
Contact:

## NEC CTR \& McP LP

9300 block Summer Creek Drive
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## Area Zoning Map

Far Southwest
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## Area Map



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Future Land Use


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## Aerial Photo Map



