

APPLICANT: Solid Equities, Inc.	PETITION NO:	Z-16
404-806-7729	HEARING DATE (PC):	06-03-10
REPRESENTATIVE: Moore Ingram Johnson & Steele, LLP	HEARING DATE (BOC):	06-15-10
J. Kevin Moore 770-429-1499	PRESENT ZONING:	PSC
TITLEHOLDER: Solid Equities, Inc.		
	PROPOSED ZONING:	NRC
PROPERTY LOCATION: Located at the southwesterly intersection		
of Mableton Parkway and Old Powder Springs Road.	PROPOSED USE: Light Au	tomotive Repair
ACCESS TO PROPERTY: Mableton Parkway and Old Powder	SIZE OF TRACT:	0.6927 acre
Springs Road	DISTRICT:	18
PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS TO SITE: Existing	LAND LOT(S):	77, 78
commercial building	PARCEL(S):	51
	TAXES: PAID X DU	E
CONTIGUOUS ZONING/DEVELOPMENT	COMMISSION DISTRICT:	4

CONTIGUOUS ZONING/DEVELOPMENT

NORTH:	PSC/ Brake City
SOUTH:	R-20/ undeveloped, single-family houses
EAST:	GC/ Auto Service, Bank
WEST:	R-20/ undeveloped

OPPOSITION: NO. OPPOSED ____PETITION NO: ____SPOKESMAN _____

PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION

APPROVED____MOTION BY_____

REJECTED____SECONDED____

HELD____CARRIED____

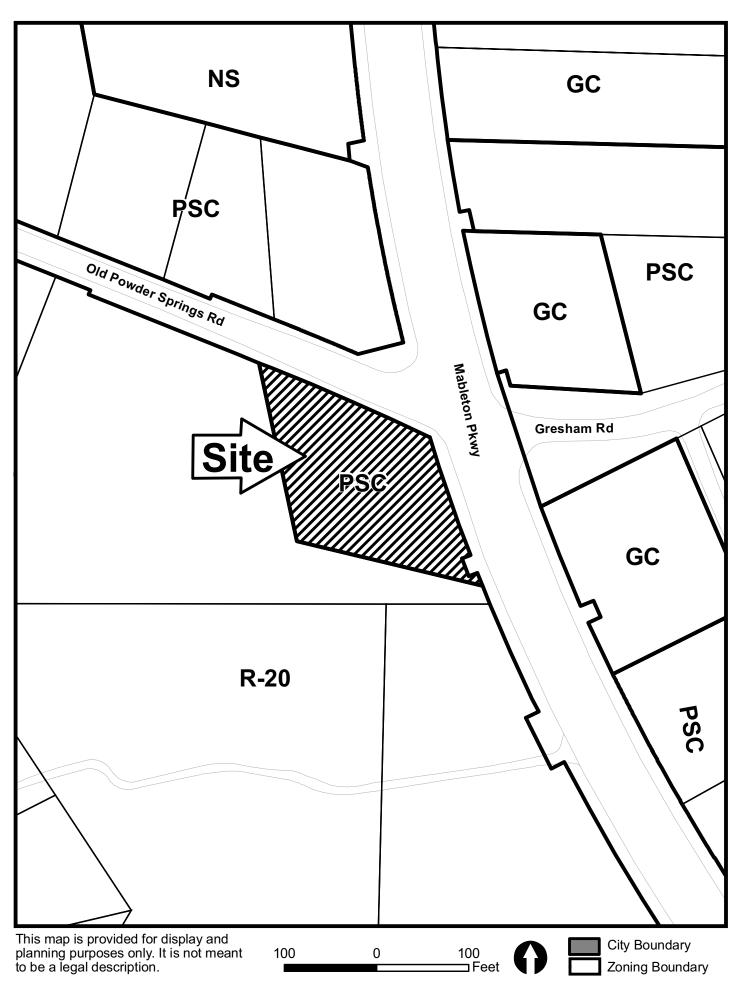
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS DECISION

APPROVED_____MOTION BY_____REJECTED____SECONDED____HELD____CARRIED_____

STIPULATIONS:



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ZONING COMMENT	FS: Staff Member Responsi	ble: John P. Pederson, AICH)
Land Use Plan Recom	mendation: Community Acti	vity Center	
Existing Number of B	uildings: <u>1</u> Total Square	e Footage of Development:	2,000
F.A.R.: 0.06 S	quare Footage/Acre: _2,890		
Parking Spaces Requi	red: 10 Parking Spa	ces Provided: 20	

The applicant is requesting the NRC zoning district to bring the existing property into compliance with the *Cobb County Comprehensive Plan*. The applicant's property has been used as a service station/ auto repair business since 1969. However, the businesses closed, and remained vacant for more than six months, which caused the property to loose its grandfathered status. The owner will reopen the auto repair garage. The applicant would need a contemporaneous variance for the 20-foot landscape buffer to zero-feet on the west and south side of the property. There has not been a buffer in this area and the property to the west and south are also in the commercial node. The applicant has submitted a Zoning Impact Statement, which is attached for review (see Exhibit "A").

<u>Historic Preservation</u>: After consulting various county historic resources surveys, historic maps, archaeology surveys and Civil War trench location maps, staff finds that no known significant historic resources appear to be affected by this application. No further comment. No action by applicant requested at this time.

Cemetery Preservation: No comment.

FIRE COMMENTS:

Must submit to the Cobb County Fire Marshal's Office to obtain Certificate of Occupancy.

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PRESENT ZONING PSC			Pl	ETITION FO	R <u>NRC</u>
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WATER COMMENTS: NOTE: Comm	ents reflect on	ly what facilities	s were in e	xistence at the tir	ne of this review.
Available at Development:		Yes		No	
Fire Flow Test Required:		Yes		No	
Size / Location of Existing Water Main(s):	6'' DI / W	v side of Mable	eton Pkwy		
Additional Comments:					
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Developer may be required to install/upgrade water n in the Plan Review Process.	nains, based on	tire flow test resu	its of Fire De	partment Code. Tr	his will be resolved
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SEWER COMMENTS: NOTE: Con	nments reflect	only what facili	ties were in	existence at the	time of this review.
In Drainage Basin:		Yes		No	
At Development:		Yes		No	
Approximate Distance to Nearest Sewer	: At site in	Mableton Pk	wy and in	Old Powder Sp	orings Rd
Estimated Waste Generation (in G.P.D.)	: ADF	400		Peak= 1000	
Treatment Plant:		S Co	obb		
Plant Capacity:	\checkmark	Available	🗌 No	t Available	
Line Capacity:	\checkmark	Available	🗌 No	t Available	
Proiected Plant Availability:	\checkmark	0 - 5 vears	5 -	10 vears	over 10 years
Drv Sewers Required:		Yes	✓ No		
Off-site Easements Required:		Yes*	☑ No		nents are required, Developer ements to CCWS for
Flow Test Required:		Yes	✓ No	review/approval	as to form ans stipulations ution of easements by the
Letter of Allocation issued:		Yes	☑ No	property owners.	All easement acquisitions ility of the Developer
Septic Tank Recommended by this Depa	rtment: 🗹	Yes	✓ No		
Subject to Health Department Approval:	\checkmark	Yes	☑ No		
AdditionalConnection to sewer requComments:higher expected discharge		ness expansior	n or change	e of usage that 1	<u>esults in</u>

Developer will be responsible for connecting to the existing County water and sewer systems, installing and/or upgrading all outfalls and water mains, obtaining on and/or offsite easements, dedication of on and/or offsite water and sewer to Cobb County, as may be required. Rezoning does not guarantee water/sewer availability/capacity unless so stated in writing by the Cobb County Water System. Permit issuances subject to continued treatment plant compliance with EPD discharge requirements.

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DRAINAGE COMMENTS

FLOOD HAZARD: YES NO POSSIBLY, NOT VERIFIED
 DRAINAGE BASIN: <u>Milam Branch</u> FLOOD HAZARD INFO: Zone X FEMA Designated 100 year Floodplain Flood. Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance DESIGNATED FLOOD HAZARD. Project subject to the Cobb County Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance Requirements. Dam Breach zone from (upstream) (onsite) lake - need to keep residential buildings out of hazard.
WETLANDS: YES NO POSSIBLY, NOT VERIFIED
Location:
The Owner/Developer is responsible for obtaining any required wetland permits from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineer.
STREAMBANK BUFFER ZONE: 🗌 YES 🖾 NO 🗌 POSSIBLY, NOT VERIFIED
 Metropolitan River Protection Area (within 2000' of Chattahoochee River) ARC (review 35' undisturbed buffer each side of waterway). Chattahoochee River Corridor Tributary Area - County review (<u>undisturbed</u> buffer each side). Georgia Erosion-Sediment Control Law and County Ordinance - County Review/State Review. Georgia DNR Variance may be required to work in 25 foot streambank buffers. County Buffer Ordinance: 50', 75', 100' or 200' each side of creek channel.
DOWNSTREAM CONDITION
 Potential or Known drainage problems exist for developments downstream from this site. Stormwater discharges must be controlled not to exceed the capacity available in the downstream storm drainage system. Minimum Minimum Minimum Minimum
 Minimize runoff into public roads. Minimize the effect of concentrated stormwater discharges onto adjacent properties. Developer must secure any R.O.W required to receive concentrated discharges where none exist naturally Existing Lake Downstream Additional BMP's for erosion sediment controls will be required.
 Lake Study needed to document sediment levels. Stormwater discharges through an established residential neighborhood downstream. Project engineer must evaluate the impact of increased volume of runoff generated by the proposed project on downstream

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DRAINAGE COMMENTS CONTINUED

SPECIAL SITE CONDITIONS

- Provide comprehensive hydrology/stormwater controls to include development of out parcels.
- Submit any proposed site improvements to Plan Review.
- Any **spring activity** uncovered must be addressed by a qualified geotechnical engineer (PE).
- Structural fill _____ must be placed under the direction of a qualified registered Georgia geotechnical engineer (PE).
- \boxtimes Existing facility.
- Project must comply with the Water Quality requirements of the CWA-NPDES-NPS Permit and County Water Quality Ordinance.
- Water Quality/Quantity contributions of the existing lake/pond on site must be continued as baseline conditions into proposed project.
- Calculate and provide % impervious of project site.
- Revisit design; reduce pavement area to reduce runoff and pollution.

INSUFFICIENT INFORMATION

- No Stormwater controls shown
- Copy of survey is not current Additional comments may be forthcoming when current site conditions are exposed.
- No site improvements showing on exhibit.

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS

- 1. Any redevelopment or expansion of the site will require meeting all stormwater management code requirements.
- 2. The proposed use is automotive repair which is considered a water quality "hot spot" and has the potential to discharge contaminated runoff offsite. Since the site currently has no stormwater management facility it is recommended that some type of oil/water separator or water quality device be retrofitted into the existing drop inlet located at the southeast corner of the site. The Certificate of Occupancy should be held until an appropriate device is approved and installed.

PRESENT ZONING: PSC

TRANSPORTATION COMMENTS

The following comments and recommendations are based on field investigation and office review of the subject rezoning case:

ROADWAY	AVERAGE DAILY TRIPS	ROADWAY CLASSIFICATION	SPEED LIMIT	JURISDICTIONAL CONTROL	MIN. R.O.W. REQUIREMENTS
Mableton Parkway	38700	Arterial	45 mph	Cobb County	100'
Old Powder Springs Road	4300	Minor Collector	35 mph	Cobb County	60'

Based on 2005 traffic counting data taken by Cobb County DOT (Mableton Parkway) Based on 2006 traffic counting data taken by Cobb County DOT (Old Powder Springs Road)

COMMENTS AND OBSERVATIONS

Mableton Parkway is classified as an arterial and according to the available information the existing right-of-way does not meet the minimum requirements for this classification.

Old Powder Springs Road is classified as a minor collector and according to the available information the existing right-of-way does not meet the minimum requirements for this classification.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Recommend applicant consider entering into a development agreement pursuant of O.C.G.A. 36-71-13 for dedication of the following system improvements to mitigate traffic concerns: a) donation of right-of-way on the west side of Mableton Parkway, a minimum of 50' from the roadway centerline.

Recommend applicant consider entering into a development agreement pursuant of O.C.G.A. 36-71-13 for dedication of the following system improvements to mitigate traffic concerns: a) donation of right-of-way on the south side of Old Powder Springs Road, a minimum of 30' from the roadway centerline.

Recommend one driveway on Mableton Parkway.

Recommend one driveway on Old Powder Springs Road.

Recommend eliminating the northern driveway along Mableton Parkway.

Recommend building the existing driveway to comply with Cobb County commercial standards.

Recommend applicant be required to meet all Cobb County Development Standards and Ordinances related to project improvements.

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS

Z-16 SOLID EQUITIES, INC.

- A. It is Staff's opinion that the applicant's rezoning proposal will permit a use that is suitable in view of the use and development of adjacent and nearby properties. The area contains a variety of commercial properties that include retail, auto service, office and restaurant uses.
- B. It is Staff's opinion that the applicant's rezoning proposal will not have an adverse affect on the usability of adjacent or nearby property. The applicant's proposal would be consistent with other properties in the area. The proposal would help to place a viable business on a property that currently looks abandoned.
- C. It is Staff's opinion that the applicant's rezoning proposal will not result in a use which would cause an excessive or burdensome use of existing streets, transportation facilities, utilities, or schools. This opinion can be supported by the departmental comments contained in this analysis.
- D. It is Staff's opinion that the applicant's rezoning proposal is in conformity with the policy and intent of the *Cobb County Comprehensive Plan*, which delineates this property to be within a Neighborhood Activity Center.
- E. It is Staff's opinion that there are existing and changing conditions affecting the use and development of the property which give supporting grounds for approving the applicant's rezoning proposal to NRC. The NRC zoning district would be in accordance with the *Cobb County Comprehensible Plan*. The applicant's proposal would be compatible with and consistent to other commercially zoned properties in the area. Additionally, this use has been here since 1969 and lost it's grandfathered status by being vacant more than six months.

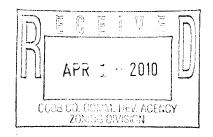
Based on the above analysis, Staff recommends APPROVAL subject to the following conditions:

- Site plan received by the Zoning Division April 1, 2010, with the District Commissioner approving minor modifications;
- Fire Department comments;
- Water and Sewer comments and recommendations;
- Stormwater Management comments and recommendations;
- DOT comments and recommendations;
- owner/developer to enter into a Development Agreement pursuant to O.C.G.A. §36-71-13 for dedication of system improvements to mitigate traffic concerns.

The recommendations made by the Planning and Zoning Staff are only the opinions of the Planning and Zoning Staff and are by no means the final decision. The Cobb County Board of Commissioners makes the final decisions on all Rezoning and Land Use Permits at an advertised public hearing.

Z-16 (2010) Exhibit "A" Zoning Impact Statement

IMPACT ANALYSIS STATEMENT



Application No.: Hearing Dates: Z-<u>/6</u> (2010) June 3, 2010 June 15, 2010

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Analysis of impact of the proposed rezoning with respect to the following:

- (a) The Application for Rezoning requests rezoning from the Planned Shopping Center ("PSC") zoning category to the Neighborhood Retail Commercial ("NRC") zoning category for the purpose of a light automotive repair establishment. The requested category of NRC will permit a use that is more suitable for the Subject Property due to its size and location. The Property is located at the southwest intersection of Mableton Parkway and Old Powder Springs Road and is less than one acre in size. It is currently unoccupied; however, it was previously used as a Chevron gasoline/service station. It is bounded immediately to the south and west by properties zoned to the R-20 zoning classification. Properties to the north, northwest, and east (across Old Powder Springs Road and Mableton Parkway) are properties zoned to the PSC, General Commercial ("GC"), Neighborhood Shopping ("NS") and Office and Institutional ("Ol") zoning categories. If the Subject Property is rezoned as requested, the existing structure and improvements to the Property will be renovated and refurbished.
- (b) This zoning proposal should have no adverse effect on the existing use or usability of adjacent or nearby property. The proposed use of the Subject Property should have a lesser impact on surrounding properties than the uses allowed under the existing PSC zoning category. If approved and developed according to the request, the adjacent and nearby property owners should benefit in increased land values.
- (c) The Subject Property, as presently zoned, does not have a reasonable economic use due to current zoning restrictions under the PSC zoning category. The proposed zoning will allow for a higher and better use of the Subject Property.
- (d) This zoning proposal will not cause excessive or burdensome use of existing streets, transportation facilities, utilities, or schools. Commercial development has almost no effect on schools, minimal effect on utilities and transportation facilities. The major effect will be on traffic; however, the impact should be minimal due to the nature of the business for which this rezoning is sought. The widened and improved roadways in the area will ease any increased traffic without burdensome effects.
- (e) The zoning proposal is in conformity with the Land Use Map of Cobb County, Georgia, as well as in conformity with the policy and intent of the Land Use Plan.

(f) This zoning proposal is consistent with the current conditions affecting the development of this Property. As previously set forth above, redevelopment and improved roadways support the proposed usage of the Subject Property for "neighborhood commercial" rather than for use as a "shopping center." The rezoning proposed in the pending Application for Rezoning would allow for the existing structure to be upgraded and refurbished, which, in turn, will allow for a more suitable and economic use without high impact into any neighboring residential areas.