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REGULAR MEETING
May 5, 2022

the maps by the NAC Character Area. Most all of the properties in the portion of the corridor are zoned R-P, which allows both professional offices and high-density residential uses. The subject property was recently rezoned to O-P which allows a limited few more uses than R-P such as Banks, which R-P does not. The O-P Zoning also adds a few uses with a CUP approval such as a commercial-sized daycare center, pharmacy, and the more intensive kind of Personal Services Shops (which the applicant is proposing). Although the land use pattern along this portion of Bemiss Road is non-commercial, it should be remembered that this is still a five-lane State highway that functions as an Arterial roadway with high traffic volumes. In this regard, slightly more intensive uses (such as that being proposed by the applicant) should certainly be considered compatible along this portion of the corridor, with the proper conditions in place. Staff found the request consistent with the Comprehensive Plan and the Conditional Use Review Criteria, and recommended approval subject to the following conditions: (1) Approval shall be granted for a Personal Services Shop in O-P Zoning in the form of cosmetic/medical tattoo, esthetician and other spa-related services. Approval shall also be granted for an Aesthetics Training Academy with no more than five students at a time, as an accessory use to the property. (2) The existing building may be expanded or reconstructed but shall not exceed 3,000 square feet GFA. (3) Daily hours of operation for the facility shall be within the timeframe of 6:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m. (4) Conditional Use approval shall expire after two years from the date of approval if no Business Licenses for the approved use(s) have been requested by that date. The Planning Commission reviewed this at their April 25, 2022 Regular Meeting, found it consistent with the Comprehensive Plan and the Conditional Use Review Criteria, and recommended approval subject to these same four conditions as recommended by Staff (9-0 Vote).

No one spoke in favor of the request.

No one spoke in opposition to the request.

A MOTION was made by Councilman Howard to approve the Conditional Use Permit for a Personal Service Shop and Aesthetics Academy in an Office-Professional (O-P) Zoning District for property located at 2317 Bemiss Road as requested by Ashley Skipper with the following four conditions: (1) Approval shall be granted for a Personal Services Shop in O-P Zoning in the form of cosmetic/medical tattoo, esthetician and other spa-related services. Approval shall also be granted for an Aesthetics Training Academy with no more than five students at a time, as an accessory use to the property. (2) The existing building may be expanded or reconstructed but shall not exceed 3,000 square feet GFA. (3) Daily hours of operation for the facility shall be within the timeframe of 6:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m. (4) Conditional Use approval shall expire after two years from the date of approval if no Business Licenses for the approved use(s) have been requested by that date. The motion was seconded by Councilman Norton. The motion was unanimously adopted (6-0) to enact Ordinance No. 2022-8, the complete text of which will be found in Ordinance Book XIV.

Minutes Acceptance: Minutes of May 5, 2022 5:30 PM (Minutes Approval)