

Planning Commission Minutes  
February 13, 2025

(The agenda was filed with the City Clerk of The City of Oklahoma City at 4:45 p.m. on February 7, 2025)

12. (PC-10958) Application by Pinakin LLC to rezone 17700 North May Avenue from R-1 Single-Family Residential District to C-3 Community Commercial District. Ward 8.

The applicant was present. There were no protesters present.

**RECOMMENDED APPROVAL.**

MOVED BY NOBLE, SECONDED BY NEWMAN

AYES: CLAIR, POWERS, MEEK, PRIVETT, NEWMAN, GOVIN, PENNINGTON,  
NOBLE

ABSENT: LAFORGE



**STAFF REPORT**  
**The City of Oklahoma City**  
**Planning Commission**  
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**Item No. IV. 12.**

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**I. GENERAL INFORMATION**

**A. Contacts**

**Applicant's Representative**

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**B. Case History**

This is a new application.

**C. Reason for Request**

The purpose of this request is to allow commercial use and development.

**D. Existing Conditions**

**1. Size of Site 1.24 Acres**

**2. Zoning and Land Use**

	<b>Subject Site</b>	<b>North</b>	<b>East</b>	<b>South</b>	<b>West</b>
<b>Zoning</b>	R-1	C-3	R-1	PUD-1843	PUD-783/C-3
<b>Land Use</b>	Undeveloped	Undeveloped	Church	Undeveloped	Golf Course/ Gas Station

**3. Comprehensive Plan Land Use Typology Area: Urban – Low Intensity (UL)**

UL applies to the least intensively developed areas of the city that still receive urban water, sewer, police, park and fire services. Development in this area should provide horizontal integration of land uses, connectivity within and between individual developments, and design that facilitates pedestrian and bicycle transportation.

## **II. REVIEW COMMENTS**

This application was submitted to the following agencies, departments, and/or divisions for review and comment. An asterisk \* indicates that the agency, department, and/or division responded with no adverse comments.

### **A. Outside Agencies**

- 1. Oklahoma City-County Health Department (OCCHD)**
- 2. Oklahoma City Urban Renewal Authority (OCURA)**
- 3. Oklahoma Gas and Electric (OGE)**
- 4. Oklahoma Water Resources Board (OWRB)**
- 5. School District (Deer Creek)**
- 6. Oklahoma Department of Transportation (ODOT)**
- 7. Oklahoma Natural Gas (ONG)**
- 8. Oklahoma Electric Cooperative (OEC)**

### **B. City Departments**

- 1. Airports**
- 2. Central Oklahoma Transportation and Parking Authority (COTPA)**
- 3. Fire (OCFD) \***
- 4. Information Technology/Geographic Support (IT/GIS)**
- 5. Parks and Recreation**
- 6. Police (OCPD)**
- 7. Public Works**
  - a. Engineering**

**Storm Sewer Availability**

- 1) The Public Works Drainage Division staff has reviewed the subject application. All development, new construction, and/or substantial improvements planned within the proposed area shall be subject to chapter 16 of the Oklahoma City Municipal Code.
- 2) Storm sewers in accordance with the City's Drainage Ordinance will be required. Development abutting section line roads with drainage flows that exceed the capacity of OKC standard ditch detail (D-100) will necessitate the installation of enclosed storm sewer and/or concrete channel. These improvements shall be placed to provide a minimum of 35' clearance distance from the centerline of the section. Concrete channels must be entirely outside public right-of-way.
- 3) A flood and/or drainage study will be required to establish finished floor elevations, common lot areas or private drainage easements. A final plat should not be submitted until the study has been reviewed and approved by the Public Works Department.
- 4) Plans for drainage improvements within the private drainage reserves and/or common areas must be submitted for review, and payment of inspection fees shall be made prior to construction. Building permits will not be issued until construction is complete. If a subdivision abuts a stream, the private drainage easements and/or common area along stream shall extend to flow line of stream at a minimum.
- 5) Place the following note on the plat and construction plans: Maintenance of the Common Areas and/or Private Drainage Easements shall be the responsibility of the property owner. No structures, storage of material, grading, fill or other obstructions, including fences, either temporary or permanent shall be placed within the common areas and/or drainage easements shown.
- 6) Drainage easements shall be clearly denoted as public or private in owner's dedication, on the plat, and/or in the plat notes.
- 7) Construction within the limits of this PC will require an erosion control plan in accordance with EPA Storm Water Discharge permitting: CFR Vol. 57, No. 175, September 9, 1992. A copy of the EPA Notice of Intent (NOI) will be required prior to the issuance of work orders or permits for construction activities disturbing an area of 1/2 acre or greater.

- 8) Sidewalks shall be installed for all new construction and/or at the time of a residential use to a more intense use on all lots having frontage on public streets classified as a major or minor arterial.
- 9) All private roads /streets will have private storm sewer systems.
- 10) Engineer/developers will be contacting PW for detention determination before they submit their final plat and plans.

**8. Stormwater Quality Management**

**9. Traffic Services \***

**10. Utilities**

**a. Wastewater Comments**

1. An existing 8" wastewater main(s) is located adjacent to the subject site(s).
2. Line capacity is not guaranteed and must be checked by the Engineer of Record and reviewed by the City.
3. The developer will be required to extend the City wastewater collection system to and across each lot or site within the subdivision in accordance with the City Standard Specifications and Private Development Design Manual.
4. Minimum ten (10) feet horizontal separation is required from water mains and five (5) feet for other utilities. Minimum two (2) feet vertical separation required for all crossings. All wastewater mains must have a minimum cover of four (4) feet and depth no greater than eighteen (18) feet. Developer is responsible for remediating any failure to maintain the minimum four (4) feet of cover.
5. Wastewater main(s) must be centrally located in a twenty (20) feet wide easement or larger if necessary. No trees, signs, dumpster, fence, and/or structures shall be permitted over any proposed or existing utility main. An approved revocable permit must be obtained to have any private improvement located within any utility easement and/or right-of-way.
6. All existing unused private wastewater service connections must be abandoned and capped at the main in accordance with City Standard Specifications and Private Development Design Manual.

7. Plat may be revised after review and approval of utility plans.

**b. Water Comments**

1. An existing 12" water main(s) is located adjacent to the subject site(s).
2. Minimum ten (10) feet horizontal separation required from wastewater mains and five (5) feet for other utilities. Minimum two (2) foot vertical separation required for all utility crossings. All water mains must have a minimum cover of five (5) feet along section line roads and four (4) feet elsewhere.
3. Proposed and/or existing water mains must be located centrally within a twenty (20) feet wide or larger utility easement or right-of-way. No trees, signs, dumpster, fence, and/or structures shall be permitted over any proposed or existing utility main. An approved revocable permit must be obtained to have any private improvement located within any utility easement and/or right-of-way.
4. Dead-end water mains must be avoided when possible. All existing unused water services must be capped and abandoned at the water main in accordance with the City Standard Specifications.
5. In accordance with ODEQ regulations, the City provides water at a minimum pressure of 25 psi. The developer is responsible for designing and construction of all fixtures to provide adequate domestic and fire protection under minimum pressure conditions. The developer will be responsible for any failure of domestic or fire protection systems which require water pressure in excess of 25 psi. The developer is responsible for installing pressure reducers if necessary for protection of developer's service lines, plumbing, and fixtures.
6. All existing and/or proposed water meters must be located in the right-of-way and/or utility easement within grassy areas outside of sidewalks, driveways, streets, and paving.
7. All domestic and fire suppression services must have a separate water service connection. Fire hydrant spacing shall not exceed 500 feet and must be located within ten (10) of a hard surface (i.e. sidewalk, street, paving).
8. Supply capacity for development is not guaranteed and will be reviewed at time of review of construction documents.
9. Plat may be revised after review and approval of utility plans.

**c. Solid Waste Management**

No Solid Waste Management services needed.

**11. Planning**

**a. Comprehensive Plan Considerations**

**1) LUTA Development Policies:**

Site Design:

- Utilize Best Management Practices (BMP) for stormwater whenever possible.
- Developments should be served by urban water and sewer utility systems.

*National, state, and local permitting require basic best management practices for stormwater management. Public water and sewer are available nearby.*

Location:

- Locate uses that generate high traffic volumes along arterial streets, frontage roads, and interstates.

*The subject site is located along the east side of North May Avenue, an arterial street in the Urban Low Intensity LUTA.*

Density: The Urban Low Intensity LUTA outlines a floor to area ratio (FAR) of 0.2 to 1.0 for non-residential developments. *The C-3 District, along with reduced building height and increased setbacks due to proximity to residential zoning, could provide a FAR within the Urban Low LUTA range.*

Automobile Connectivity:

- Maintain, create, and enhance a street network that is highly connected to increase number of viable commercial locations and the effectiveness of the transportation system.
- Limit curb cuts on arterial streets, and where possible concentrate access at shared entrance points.
- Retail developments should provide an internal vehicle and pedestrian circulation system between new and existing centers and individual stores.
- Provide vehicular connectivity between adjacent developments.
- Horizontally mixed-use developments should have connectivity between land uses.

*The subject site is served via one improved curb cut and an unimproved road that does not lead to any development. Access requirements are per Code and Subdivision Regulations.*

Pedestrian Connectivity:

- Provide sidewalk connections to adjacent development.

- Within parking lots, provide pedestrian access ways separated from vehicle aisles.
- Horizontally mixed-use developments should have public sidewalk connectivity between land uses.

*Sidewalks will be required along the arterial street.*

- 2) **Compatibility:** The comprehensive plan includes a land use compatibility matrix used to identify potential conflicts between major land use categories. When locating the proposed uses adjacent to existing Low Intensity Residential, “Building Scale and Site Design”, “Traffic”, and “Operational Impact” are potential compatibility issues identified by the comprehensive plan.

Building Scale and Site Design: The comprehensive plan calls for mitigation measures for new projects if setbacks are significantly deeper or more shallow than the predominant character of adjacent development; the building’s orientation to the street differs from the predominant character of adjacent development; building size or street frontage dramatically differs from that of adjacent uses, the lot coverage (including buildings and paved areas) dramatically exceeds that of adjacent uses, or if buildings within 40 ft. of a single-family residential structure exceed a 3:1 ratio in height. *The C-3 side and rear yard setbacks are altered where adjacent to the R-1 District, including a landscaped buffer strip of 5 feet and 15-foot setback on both setbacks. When abutting or within 35 feet of the R-1 District, the C-3 District allows a maximum height of 20 feet and 1 story, increasing to 35 feet and 2 stories between 35 and 150 feet. New development would be subject to step-down in height, screening, and a landscape buffer adjacent to a residential district.*

Traffic: Mitigation measures should be used if the development is inconsistent with the Street Typology, or would substantially exceed the average daily traffic of existing, adjacent uses. *The subject site is located along the east side of North May Avenue, an arterial street in the Urban Low Intensity LUTA. No triggers requiring mitigation measures related to traffic were identified.*

Operational Impact: The comprehensive plan calls for mitigation measures if new projects propose uses that generate noise levels above those found in typical residential settings, have detectable odors, spill light above that found in typical residential settings, or operate after 10 p.m. within proximity to residential uses. When located near residential uses, the comprehensive plan calls for containing operating effects (including noise and odor) within building walls, using vertical screening to block any mechanical equipment and service areas, and directing light away from adjacent residential areas.



*No compatibility issues are identified with the adjacent zoning on the north (C-3), and the R-1 zoned property to the east is the far rear yard of a church property. The C-3 District allows some uses that may create spill light, noise, or detectable odors above those found in typical residential settings (south). New development would be subject to step-down in height, screening, and a landscape buffer adjacent to a residential district on the east and south.*

**3) Service Efficiency:**

- Water: *Served*
- Sewer: *Served*
- Fire Service: *Urban Response*

**4) Environmentally Sensitive Areas:** No ESAs were identified on the site.

**5) Transportation System:** This site is located along the east side of North May Avenue, a Major Arterial Street in the Urban Low LUTA. Transit (bus) service is not available nearby.

**6) Other Development Related Policies**

- Favor commercial development clustered in nodes at arterial or collector intersections or along brief “main street” style corridors over commercial development extending in a linear pattern for long distances along highway, arterial, or collector corridors. (SU-25)
- Regional-, community-, and neighborhood-scale retail developments should provide an internal vehicle and pedestrian circulation system between new and existing centers and individual stores that draws on the following principles:
  - Concentrate access for new retail development at shared primary entrance points. Primary entrance points should be aligned with access points immediately across intersecting roads. Limit curb cuts on primary highways and arterials.
  - Provide pedestrian circulation, including sidewalks and median breaks along interior and exterior fronting roads and within parking lots.
  - Encourage coordinated development of retail centers in order to facilitate internal pedestrian and vehicle circulation and optimal center performance (SU-27)
- Commercial buildings should be built at the street rather than behind a parking lot in order to promote pedestrian circulation, multipurpose shopping trips, and walkable and attractive streetscapes. (SU-28)
- New neighborhood-scale retail should be located within new residential growth areas to serve daily shopping needs and limit trip distances. In newly developing areas, this retail format is preferred to the existing linear development patterns along arterials. (SU-30)
- Require sidewalks on both sides of all streets in urban LUTAs. (C-7)
- Improve the functionality and efficiency of the street network by:

- Providing direct connections from residential developments to nearby places and to each other.
- Providing street and sidewalk stubs to adjacent vacant land in anticipation of future development.
- Connecting new development to existing street and sidewalk stubs, and to existing trail, open space, and bicycle networks.
- Maintaining the existing street grid to preserve connectivity and mobility options. (C-11)
- Limit driveways on arterials and collectors and increase connections between uses to improve safety and traffic efficiency. (C-30)
- Preserve mature, healthy trees and incorporate them into the design of new development or redevelopment projects to the greatest extent possible. (G-26)

**b. Plan Conformance Considerations**

The subject site is located along the east side of North May Avenue, south of NW 178th Street. The site is currently zoned R-1 and undeveloped. Adjacent land to the north, all the way to NW 178th Street, is zoned C-3, with a drive-thru coffee shop on the corner, and a new hardware store planned for the land abutting the subject site. To the east is the rear yard of the church that fronts NW 178th Street. Land to the south was rezoned from PUD-1245 to PUD-1843 in 2022 for small lot single-family residential development with an R-1ZL base. Across North May Avenue, to the west, are a C-3 zoned gas station and the Rose Creek golf course (PUD-783).

The application seeks to extend the C-3 zoning district south along the arterial street an additional 142 feet. New development will be subject to step-down in height, screening, and a landscape buffer adjacent to the residential districts on the east and south.

**IV. STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

*Staff recommendations are advisory only and do not constitute Planning Commission decisions. Staff recommendations are based on a technical evaluation of information submitted at the time of review. Determination of conformance with policies contained in the comprehensive plan is the purview of the Planning Commission. Planning Commission decisions require a vote of five members to approve or deny an item. The Planning Commission may consider in its decision-making process any additional relevant information presented at the public hearing by the public, applicant, and/or City departments.*

**Approval of the application.**

**gjh**

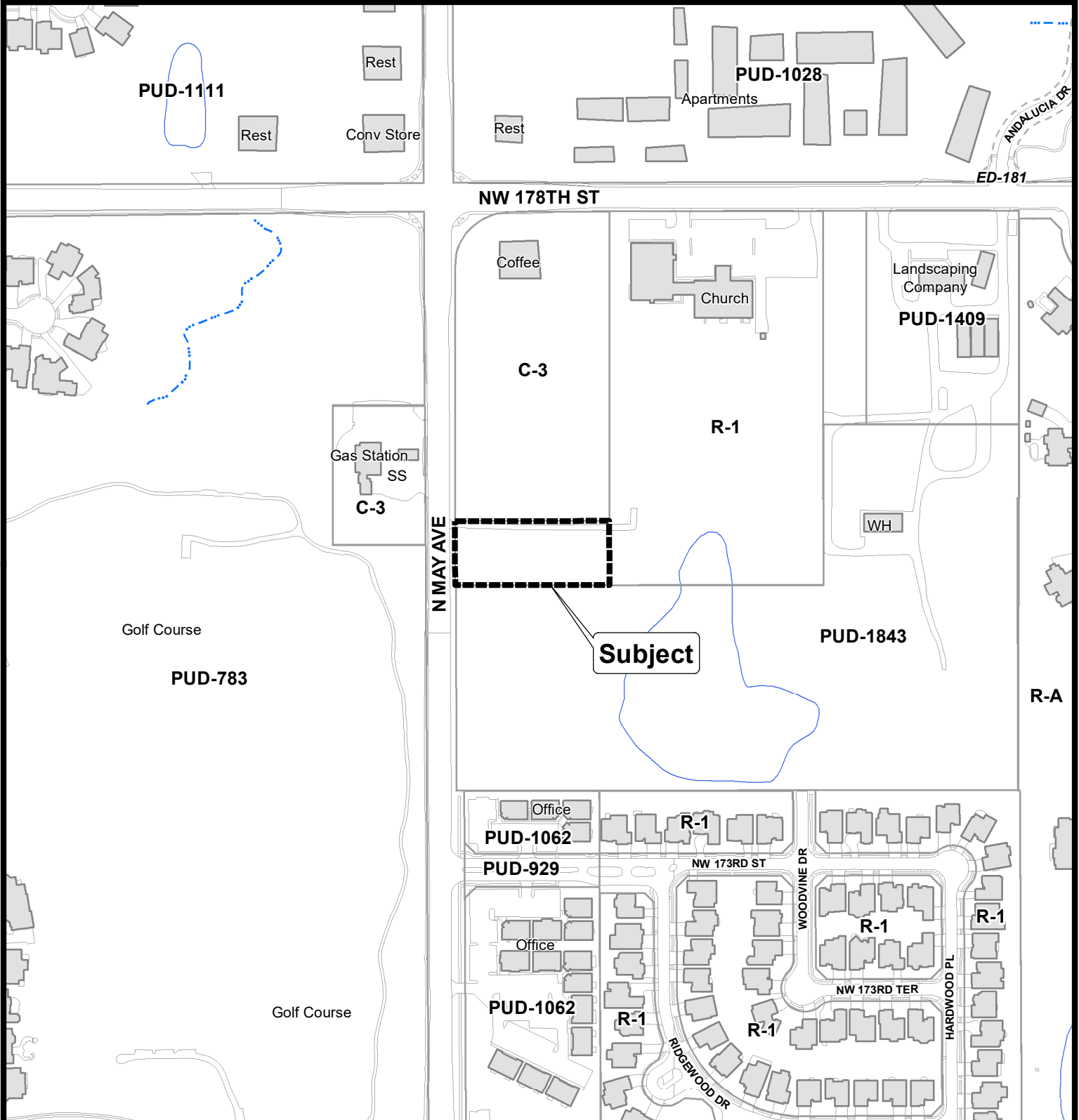
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Aerial Photo from 2/2022



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